# SILICON DEVELOPMENTS IN THE UK

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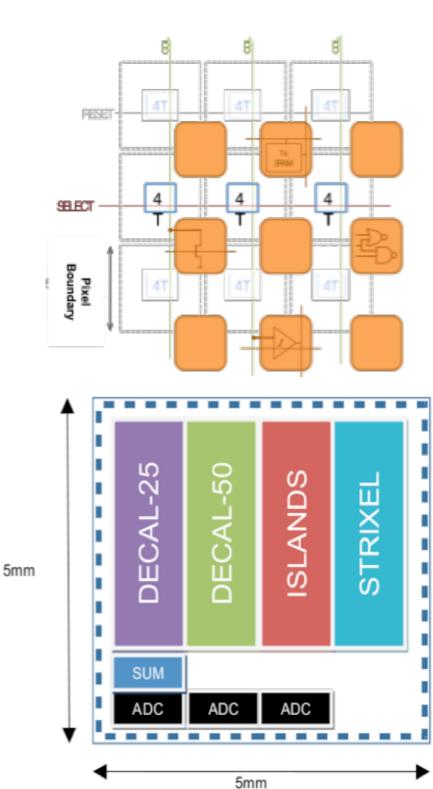
# History

- \* UK had well-funded ILC R&D projects 2000-2008
  - \* Vertex detector in LCFI
  - \* Calorimeter with CALICE
  - \* Accelerator and beam delivery
- \* All ILC support official withdrawn in 2008
- \* "Generic" detector R&D activities continued ~2010
  - \* Lightweight mechanics in LowMass
  - \* MAPS in SPiDeR
  - \* DAQ via EU frameworks



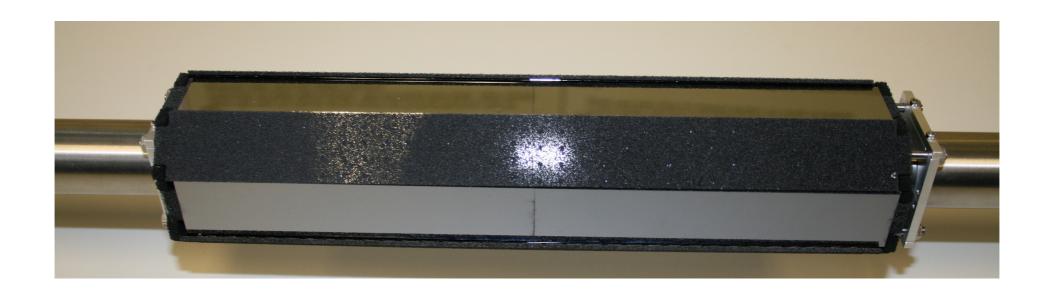
## **MAPS**

- \* Cherwell
  - \* 4T pixel architecture
  - \* Deep p-well
  - \* Digital calorimetry
  - \* Tracking
- \* 2 generations now tested

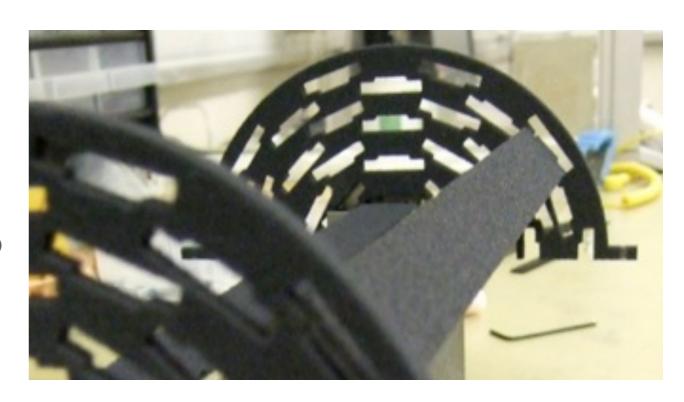




## Mechanics



- \* Ultra low-mass structures
  - \* Ceramic foams
  - \* Long barrel VXD L2 mock up
  - \* Bulkheads prototyped





## Recent History

- \* Work has continued at some level....
  - \* MAPS for HEP (Arachnid)
  - \* CMOS for HEP (Atlas upgrade)
  - \* MAPS for other applications (fast imaging, X-rays...)
  - \* Mechanics for LC (PLUME)
  - \* DAQ via AIDA
  - \* Silicon Pixel Tracker (CJD/KS)
- \* Gradual change in political climate
  - \* Higgs boson discovery...



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- \* Approved at "core" level of funding



# Silicon Activity

- \* Focused on design study for pixel tracking
  - \* Central and/or forward
  - \* Evaluate potential sensor technologies
  - \* Simulations of potential dedicated pixel architectures
  - \* Develop and evaluate conceptual designs including realistic material budgets including support and services
- \* Specific resources not awarded
- \* Most effort available through university grants



## Outlook

- \* Pixel tracker activity in UK just starting
  - \* Two years of funding at low-level
  - \* Officially concept-neutral
- \* Need to discuss with international collaborators...