



The Silicon TPC System

EUDET Extended SC meeting

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JRA2 activity/task

- Silicon TPC readout (“SiTPC”)
 - development MediPix → TimePix chip
 - development diagnostic endplate module
incl. DAQ

Purpose: a SiTPC based monitoring system

Partners:

ALU Freiburg, Bonn, CEA Saclay, CERN, NIKHEF

Associate: Bucarest

Goals in context of ILC

- **Gas multiplication** GEM or Micromegas foil(s)
- Charge collection with **granularity matching primary ionisation cluster spread**
(this needs **sufficiently low diffusion gas**)
- Investigate measurement dE/dx using **cluster counting?**

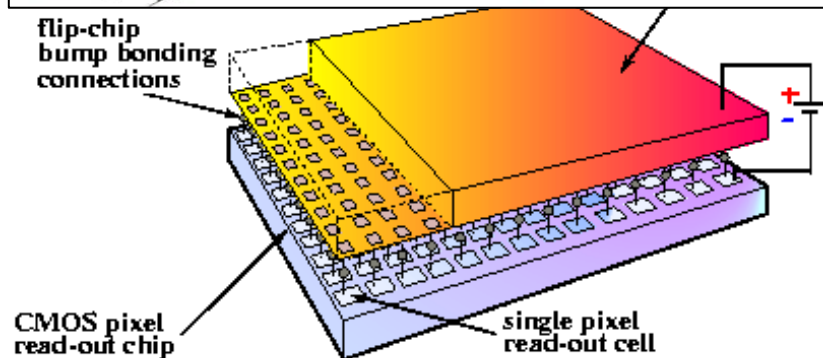
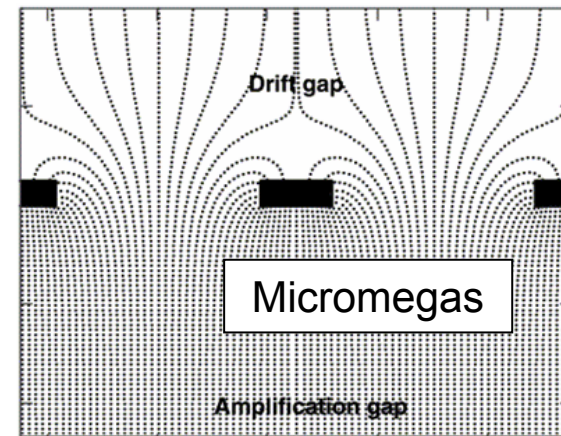
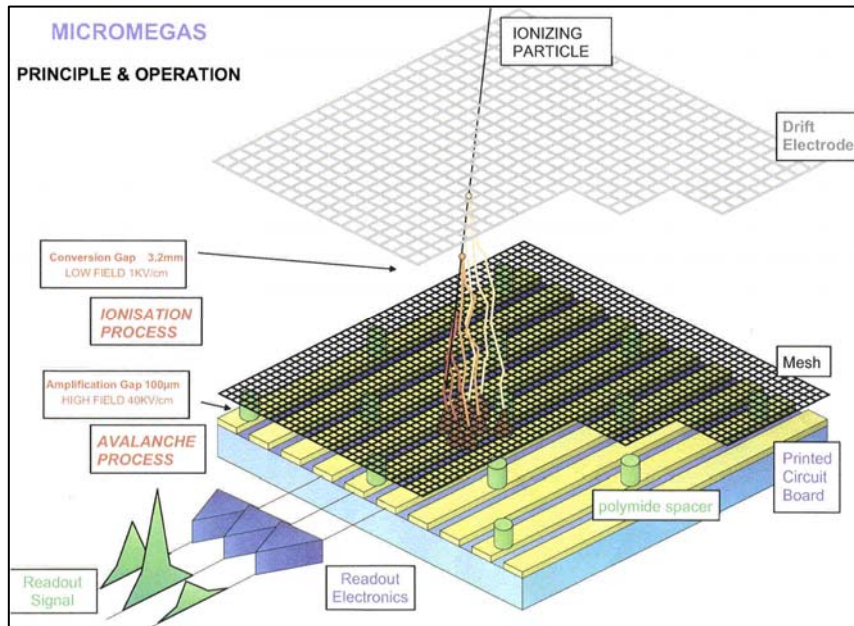
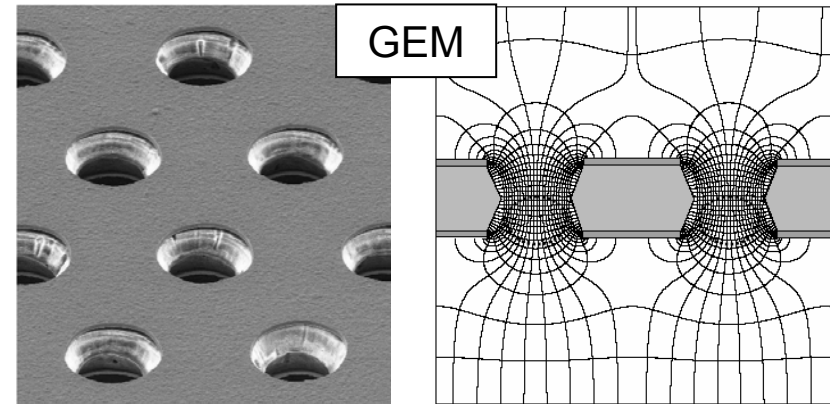
- 2D “proof of principle” based on existing **Medipix2** readout chip: **achieved (2004, 2005) by NIKHEF/Saclay, Freiburg**
- Add 3rd coordinate: **Medipix2** → **TimePix** (→2006/2007)
- Integrate grid with pixel chip: **Ingrid** (first results 2005)

SITPC Tasks:

- Develop the Timepix chip that allows to measure the 3rd coordinate (drift time)
- Implementation of Timepix together with GEM and Micromegas into diagnostic endplate system
- Performance measurements in test infrastructure at DESY
- Develop simulation framework
- Develop DAQ system and integrate in overall DAQ of EUDET infrastructure

Micro Patterned Gaseous Detectors

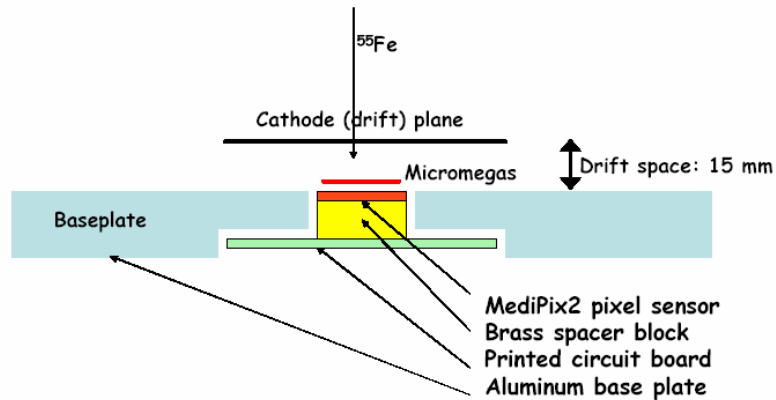
- High field created by Gas Gain Grids
- Most popular: GEM & Micromegas



Use 'naked' CMOS pixel readout chip as anode

Results pixel readout gas detectors

NIKHEF-Saclay-CERN-Twente



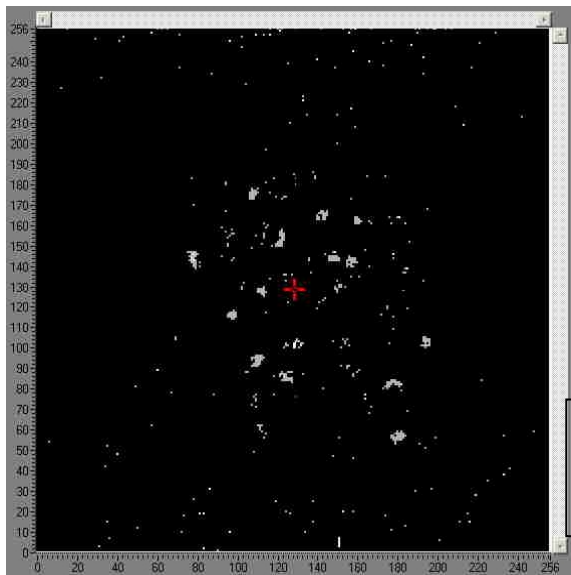
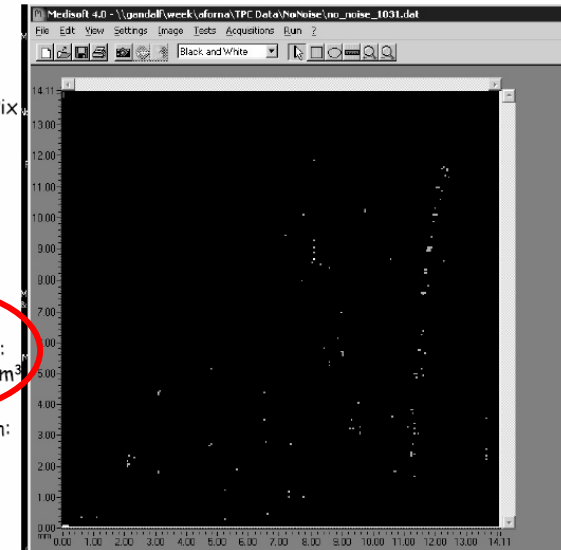
Very strong E-field above (CMOS) MediPix!

He/Isobutane
80/20
Modified MediPix

31 March 2004

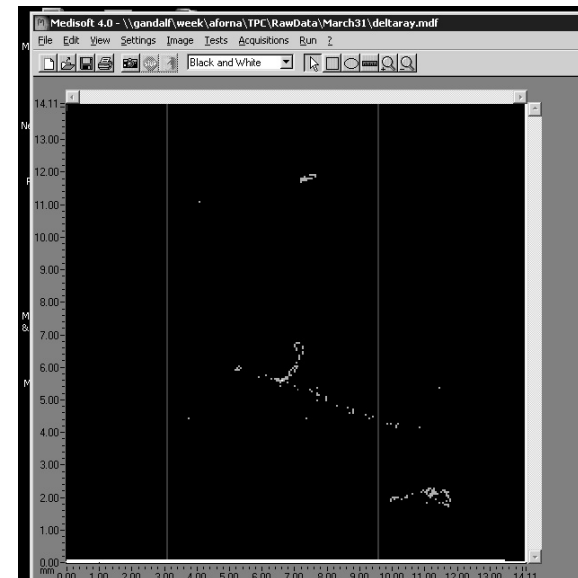
Sensitive area:
14 x 14 x 15 mm³

Drift direction:
Vertical
max = 15 mm



55x55 μm^2
pixels

Ar/isobutane
95/5



δ ray

Observation of min. ionising cosmic muons: high spatial resolution +

NIM A540 (2005) 295 (physics/0409048)

individual cluster counting !



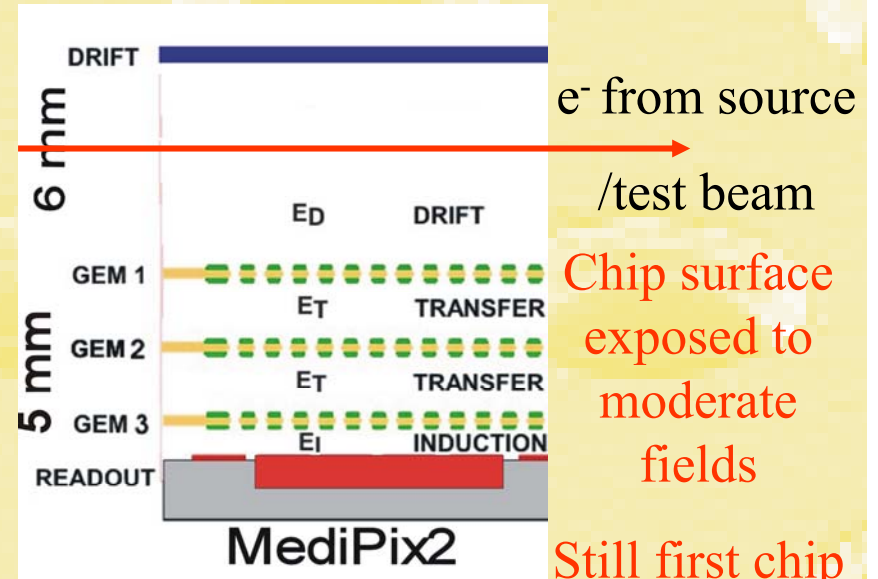
JRA2 GEM-TimePix Projekt

Institute of Physics, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg

- Micro Pattern Gas Detectors (MPGD): high resolution readout and high rates
 - pixelated readout offers high resolution
- a TPC at the ILC needs excellent momentum resolution =>GEM-TimePix for end plate readout
 - Cluster counting as a goal

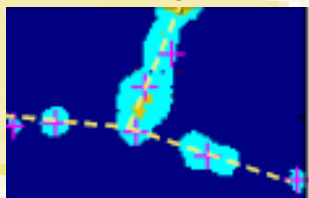
Digital Bubble Chamber

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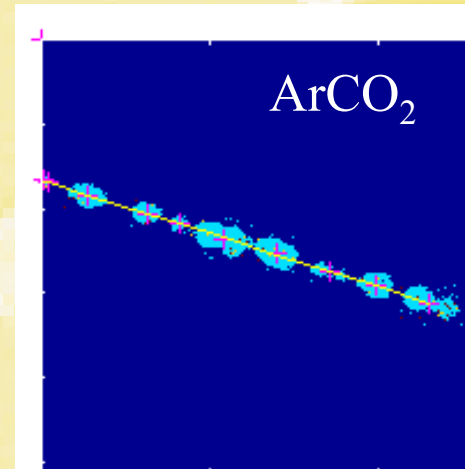


Results from MediPix Prototype setup:

For ArCO₂ and HeCO₂: point/cluster resolution determined with different algorithms between 50 - 60 μ m



δ -electron in HeCO₂

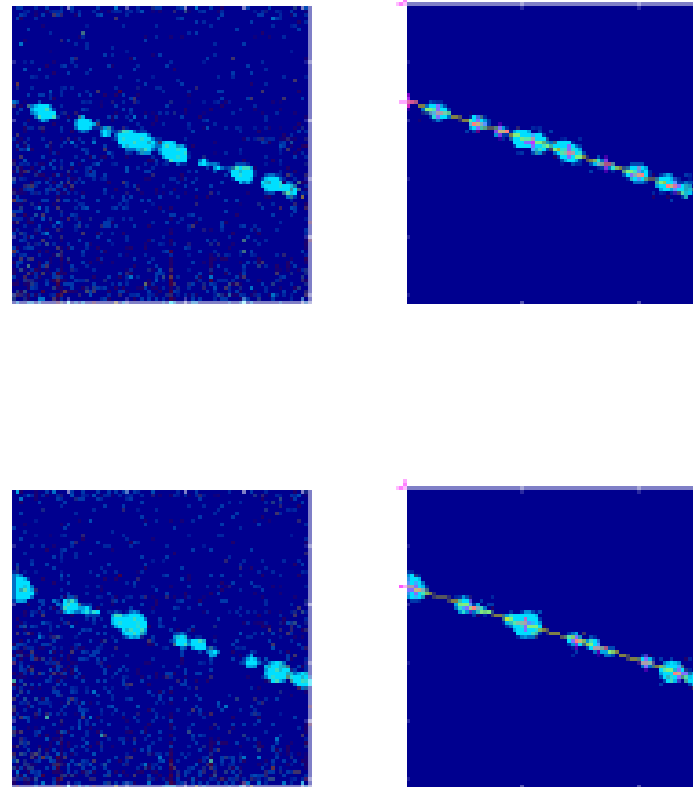


Charge deposition on the MediPix Chip electron track from ¹⁰⁶Ru source and straight line fit



Some events with fits

(from Freiburg GEM+Medipix setup - Andreas Bamberger)



Difference between Micromegas and GEM setup understood (simulation Michael Hauschild)



Results for point/cluster resolution

(from Freiburg GEM+Medipix setup)

	Ar/CO ₂	He/CO ₂
3-point method	58 ± 2 μm	53 ± 3 μm
$\sigma_{\text{corrected}}^*$	54 μm	53 μm

- **with few primary electrons per cluster !**
- * multiple scattering correction to be checked for systematics



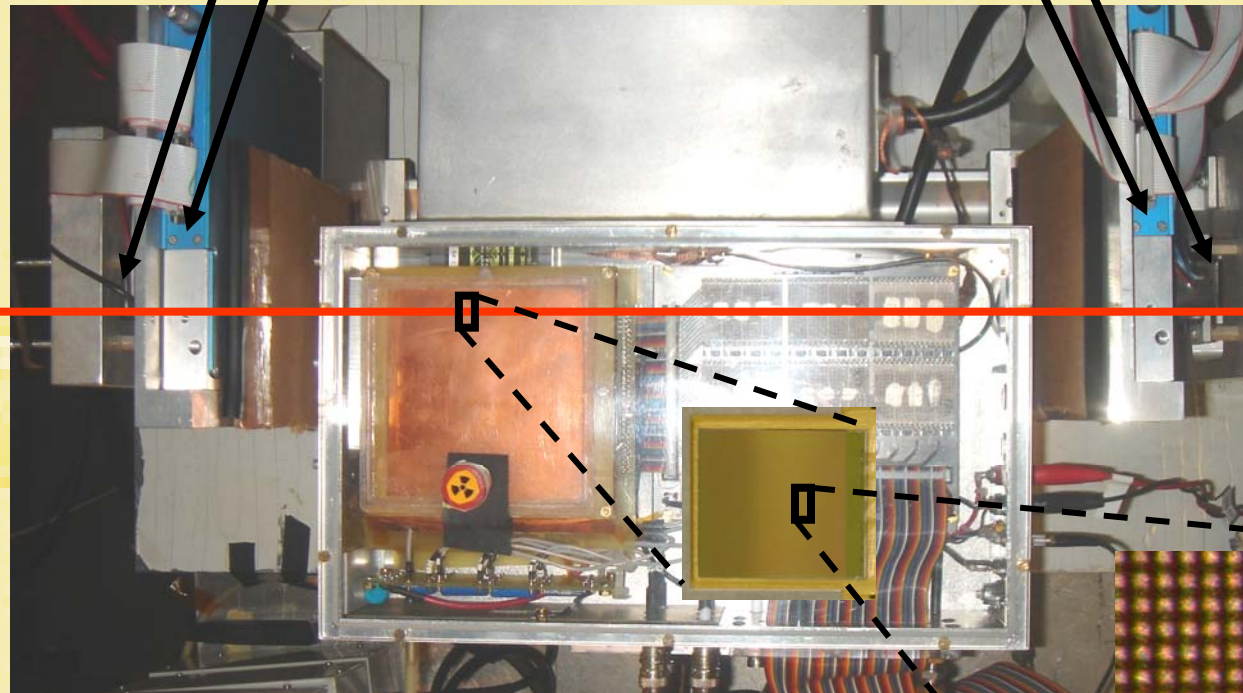
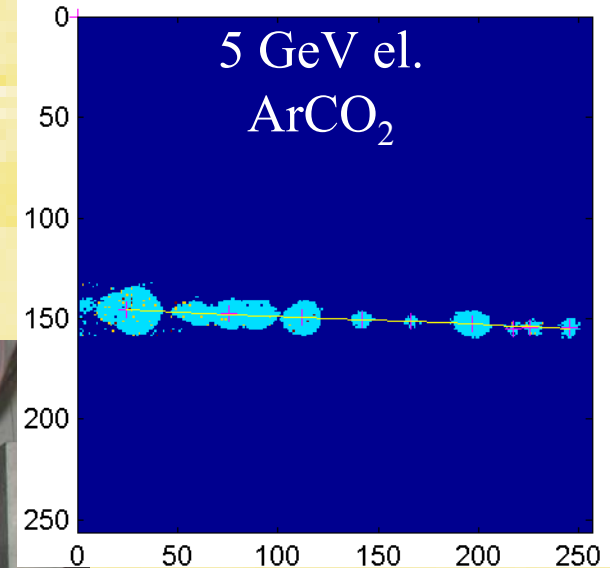
Test beam event

multiple scattering negligible on MediPix scale

trigger counters ~ 8 mm wide

Si telescope (~ 20 μm precision)

$\text{diff}(1) = 36.6 \mu\text{m}$



GEM stack of $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$

MediPix2 chip $14 \times 14 \text{ mm}^2$

e^- from PETRA



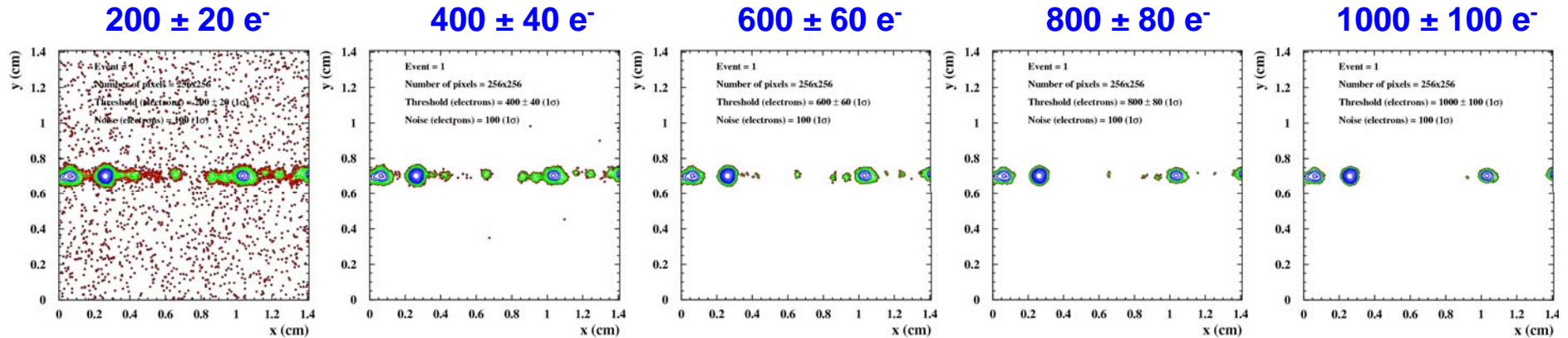
pitch of pixels

$55 \mu\text{m}$

Simulations (M.Hauschild): Threshold Scan

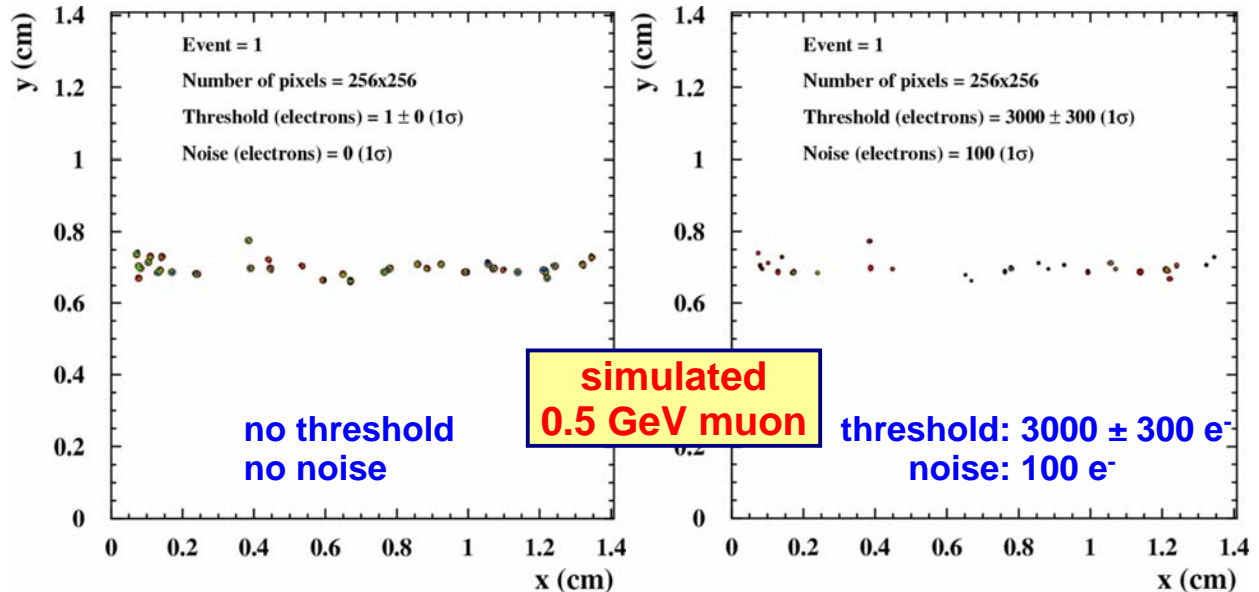
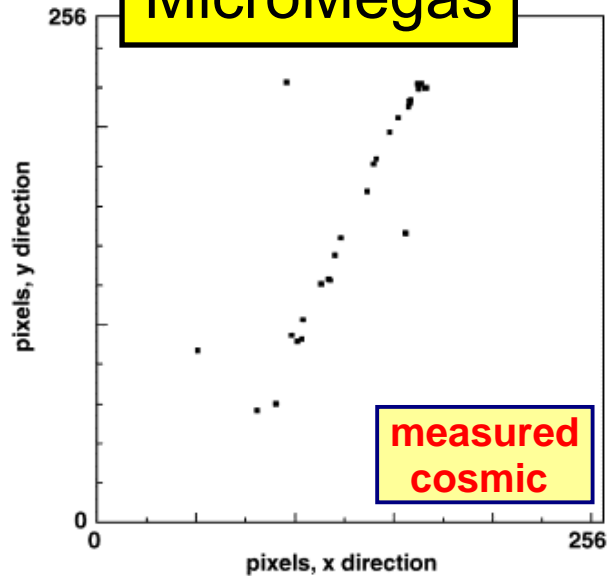
GEM

detection thresholds per pixel (allow 10% variation):



noise: 100 e⁻

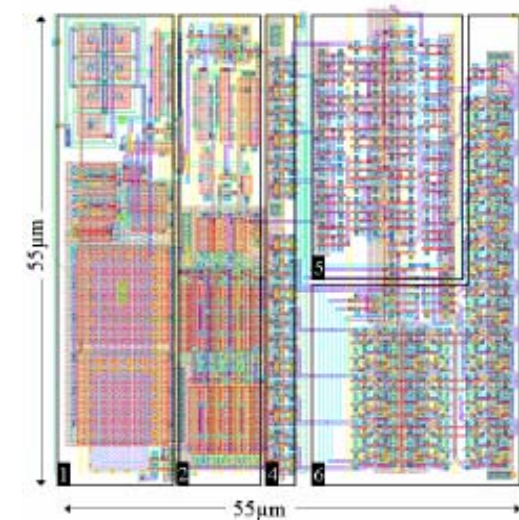
MicroMegas



TimePix1 (EUDET: Freiburg, Saclay, CERN, NIKHEF)

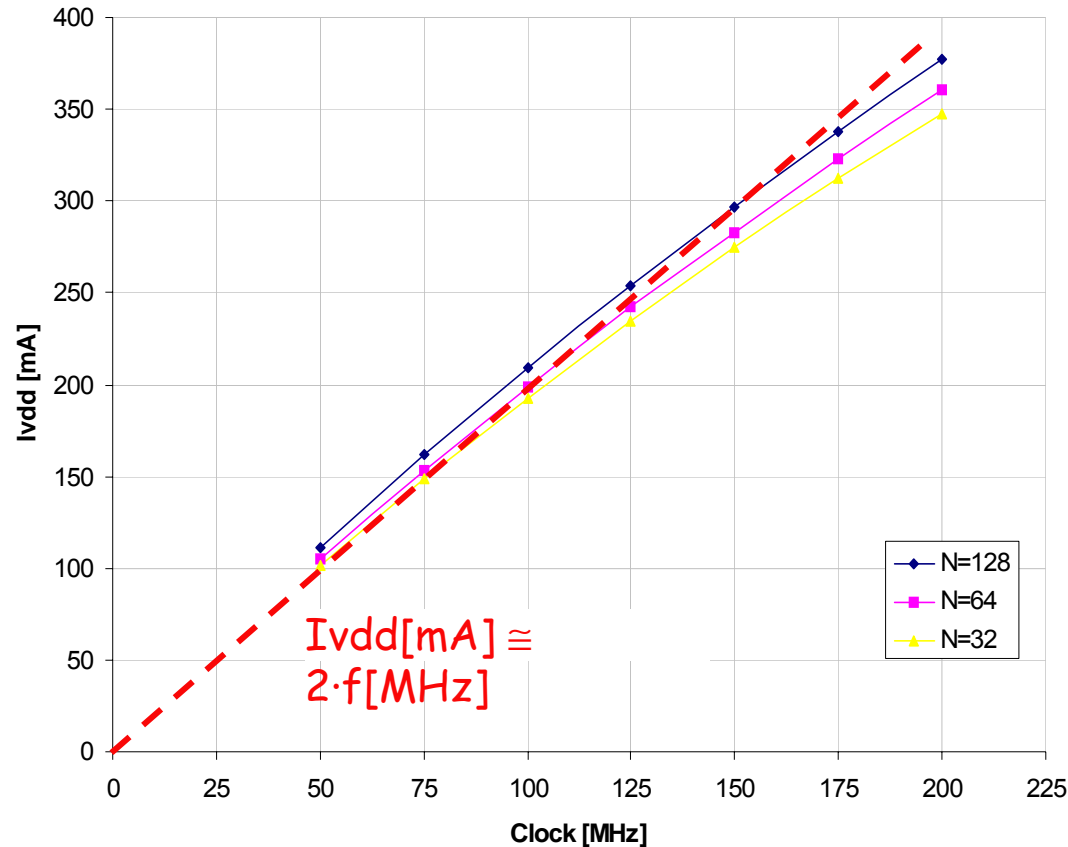


- Distribute clock to full 256x256 pixel matrix (50-100-160MHz)
- Enable counting by first hit after 'shutter' opens, until 'shutter' closes (common stop); also time-over-threshold possible
- Dynamic range $2^{14} \times 10 \text{ ns} = 160 \mu\text{s}$
- (for the time being) no zero-suppress to remain fully compatible with Medipix2
- Shaping time $\sim 200 \text{ ns}$
- Extra static discharge protection for the could be considered later
- Keep same chip-size, pixel-size, readout protocol
- 1st full reticle submit done July 2006





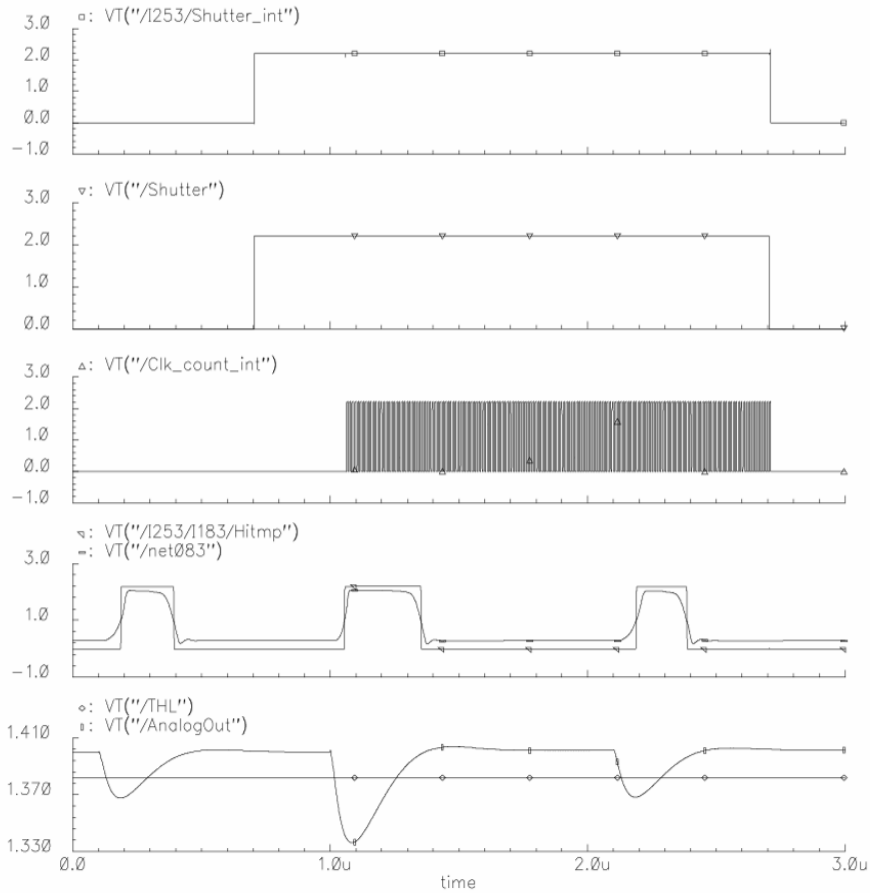
Expected digital power vs frequency



- ◆ $P_{vdd} = V^2 \cdot f \cdot C_{tot}$
- ◆ Simulation @ $V_{dd} = 2.2V$ but digital part could work to 1.8V (33% less power)

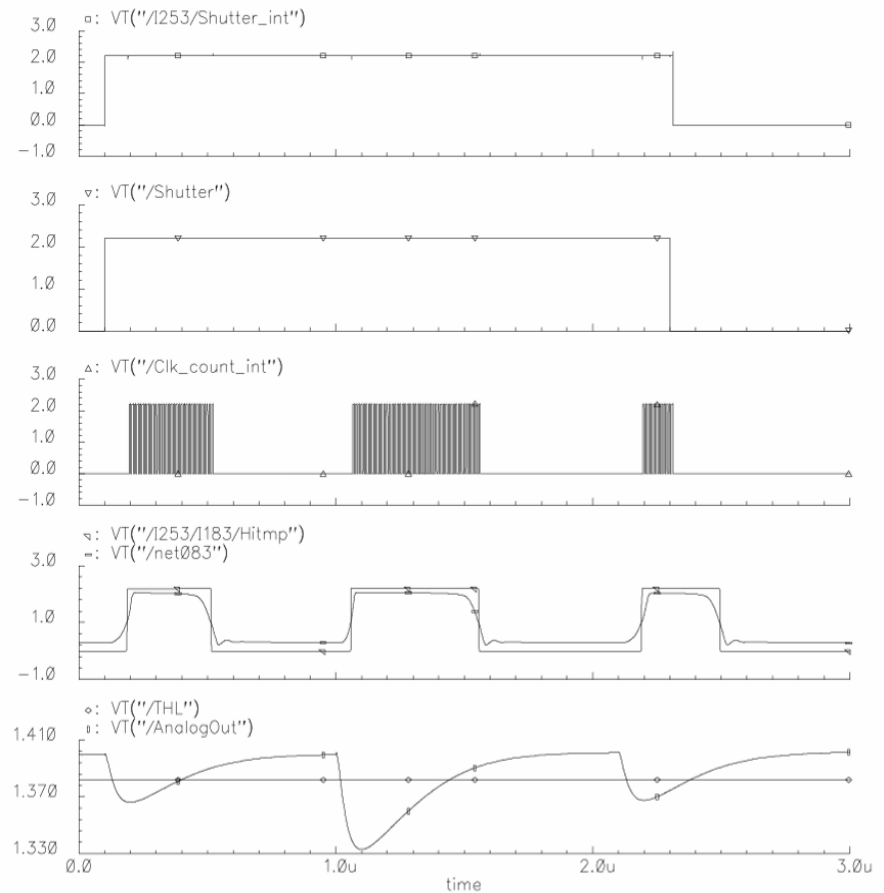


Timepix



100MHz

TOT

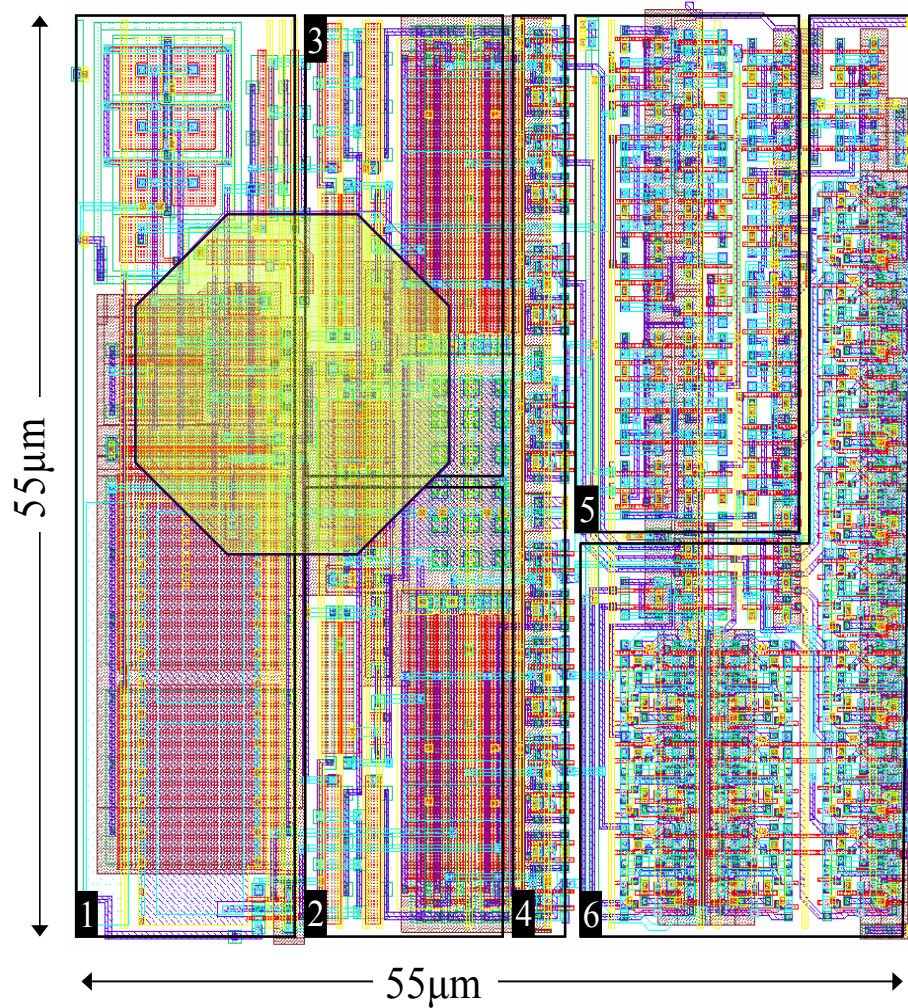


100MHz

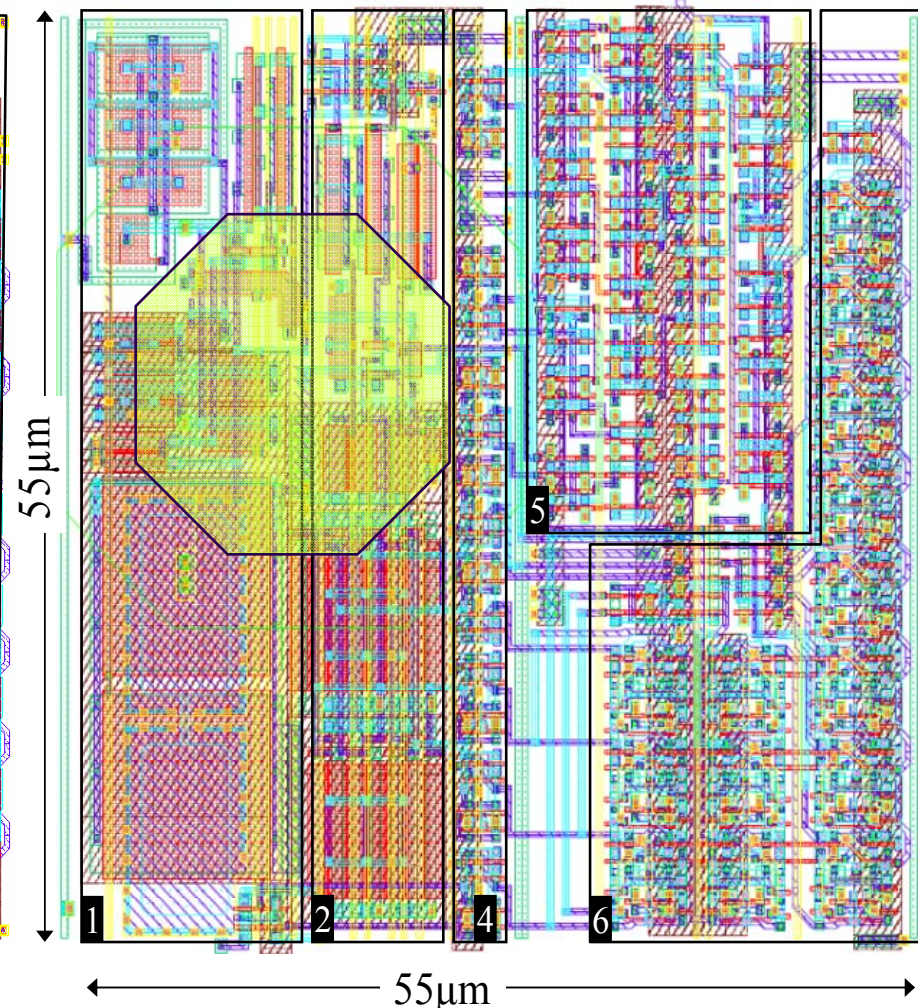


Mpix2MXR20 vs Timepix Layout

Mpix2MXR20 layout



Timepix layout





Timepix summary

Physical dimensions	14.111 mm x 16.120 mm (like Mpix2MXR20)
IO PADS	127 (like Mpix2MXR20)
Charge collection	e^- , h^+
Pixel functionality	PhotonCounting, TOT, Timepix
Amplifier Gain	$\sim 18\text{mV}/\text{Ke}^-$
Noise	$\sim 75e^-$
Linearity	Up to 50Ke^-
Thresholds	1 (4bits adj)
σ equalized	$\sim 25e^-$
Minimum Threshold	$\sim 500e^-$ (expected)*
Counter Depth/Overflow	14-bits/Yes
Max Analog power	$6.5\mu\text{W}/\text{pix}$ $420\text{mW}/\text{chip}$ (@2.2V Vdda)
Static Digital Power	$440\text{mW}@100\text{MHz}$ (@2.2V Vdd)
Readout	Serial/Parallel
Readout compatibility	95% (Clock active when shutter ON)

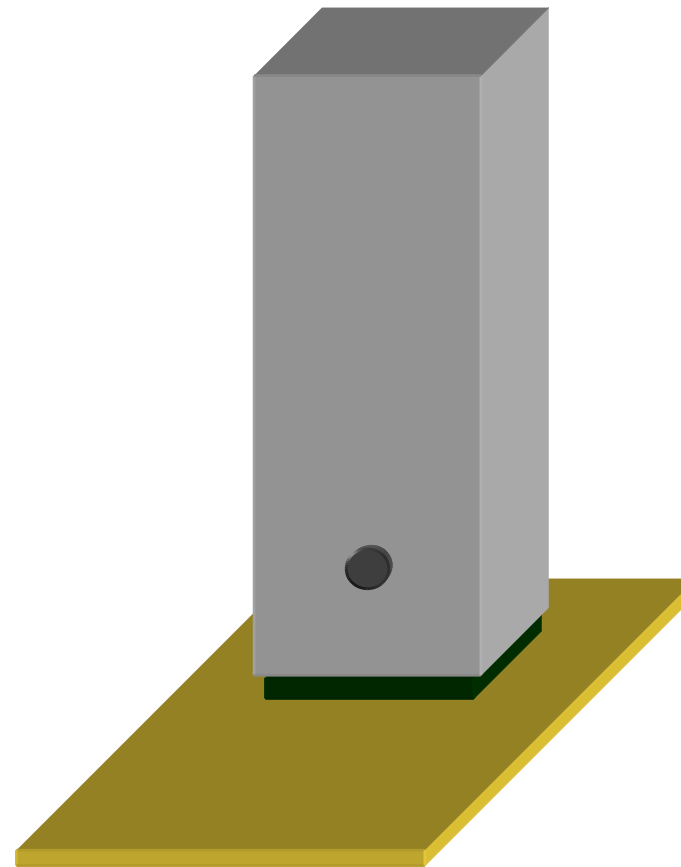
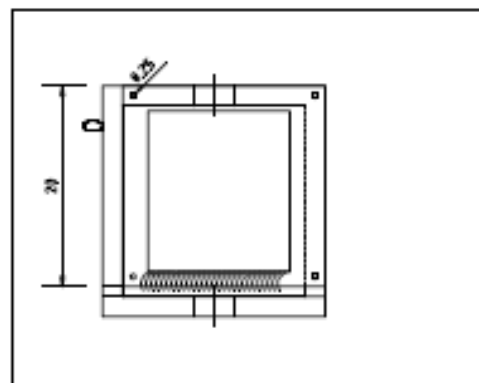
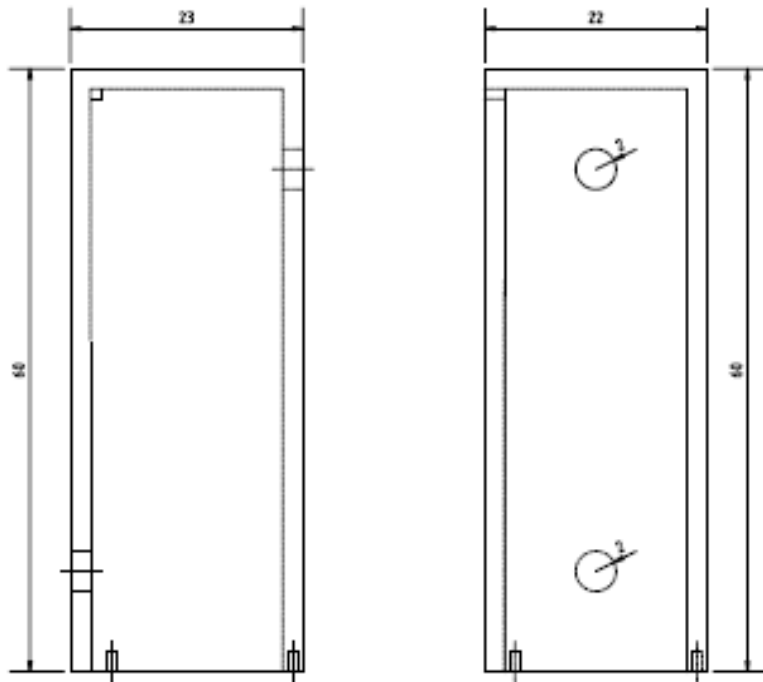


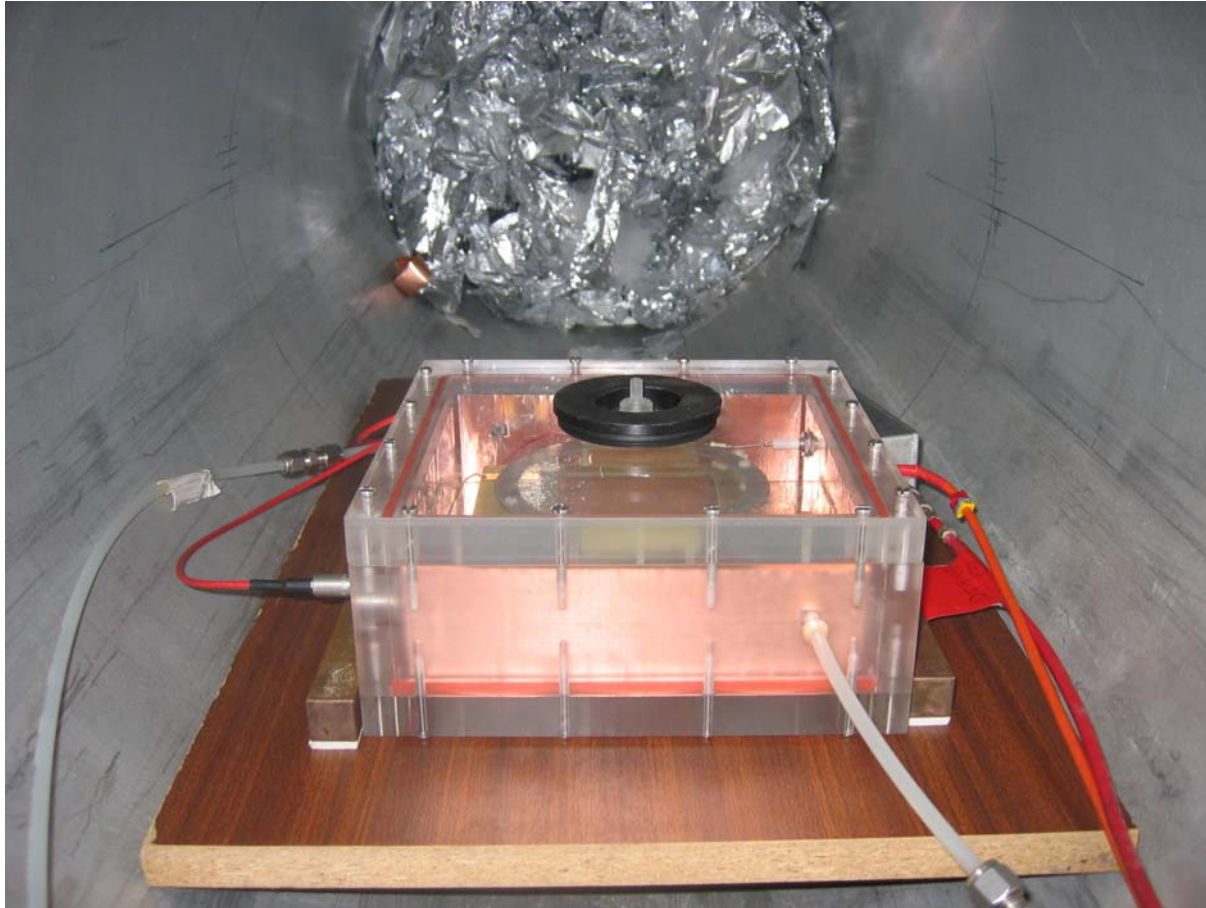
Timepix: Next Steps

- ◆ Expected 12 wafers out of foundry by 19th of September ⇒ 25th to 30th September delivered at CERN
- ◆ Testing of the chip on wafer using the Medipix2 probecard in the Silicon Lab clean room
- ◆ First version of Timepix firmware for the Muros2.1 readout is already prepared
- ◆ 1-2 month of chip characterization and wafer probing expected

- MUROS arrived in Saclay
- Upgraded to the latest firmware of the Medipix2 USB Interface with a home-made cable : USB1.1 v1.0.6 -> USB1.1 v1.0.7
- Design of a small drift chamber for the chip
- Gain measurements using different gas mixtures with a Micromegas detector

Drift chamber for a Medipix2 chip





- Aim : find a gas with a comfortable gain margin

- Using the same detector

- Transparent plastic box of 25cm x 25cm x 5cm size

- Sources :

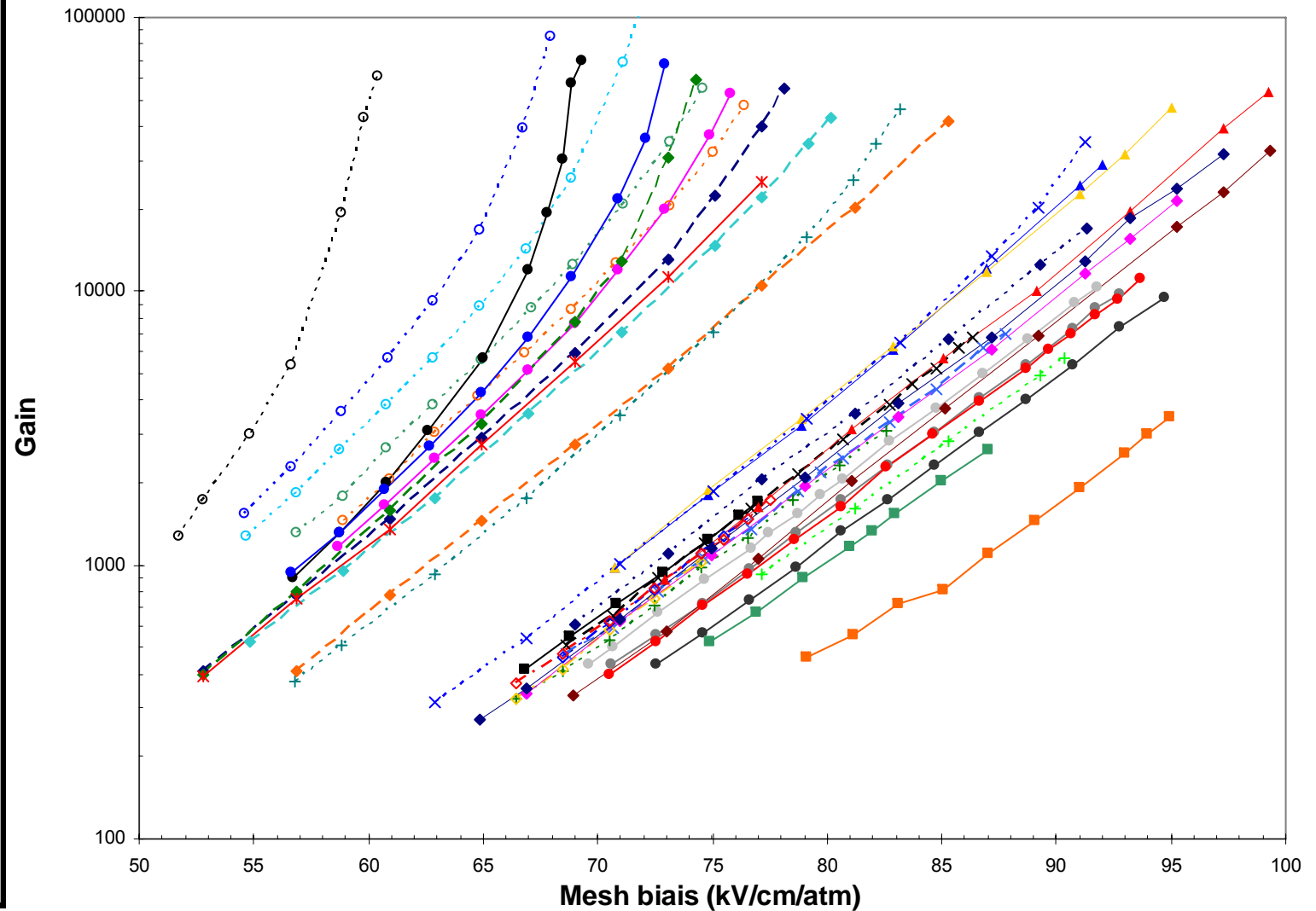
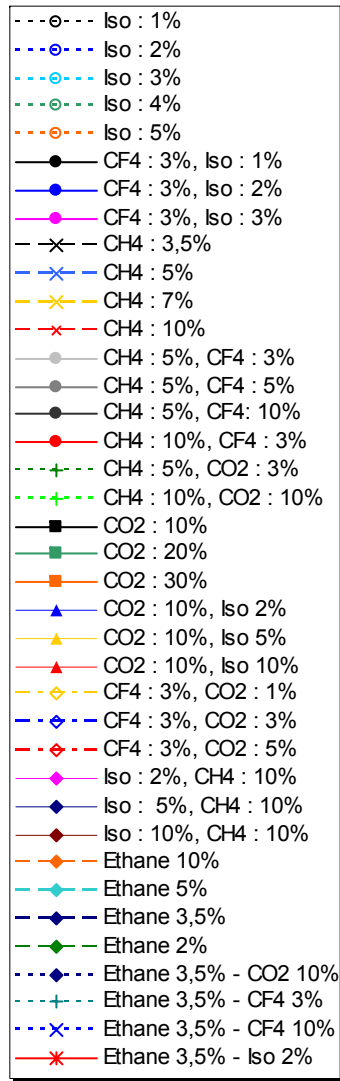
- Fe 55 (5.9 keV)

- COOL-X (8.1 keV)

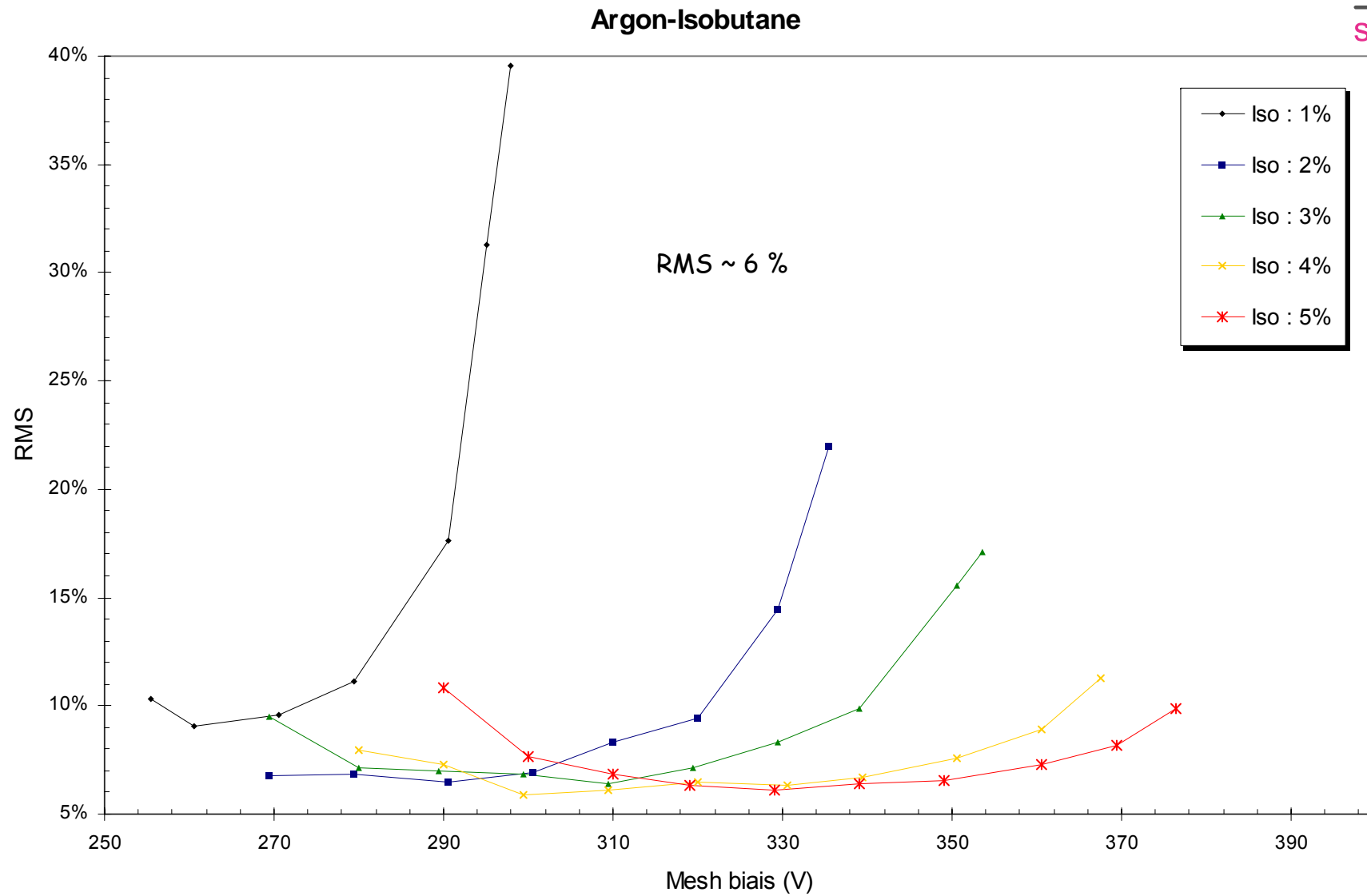
- Student : Michal Was (ENS)

Gain measurements : results

Mixtures of gases containing argon

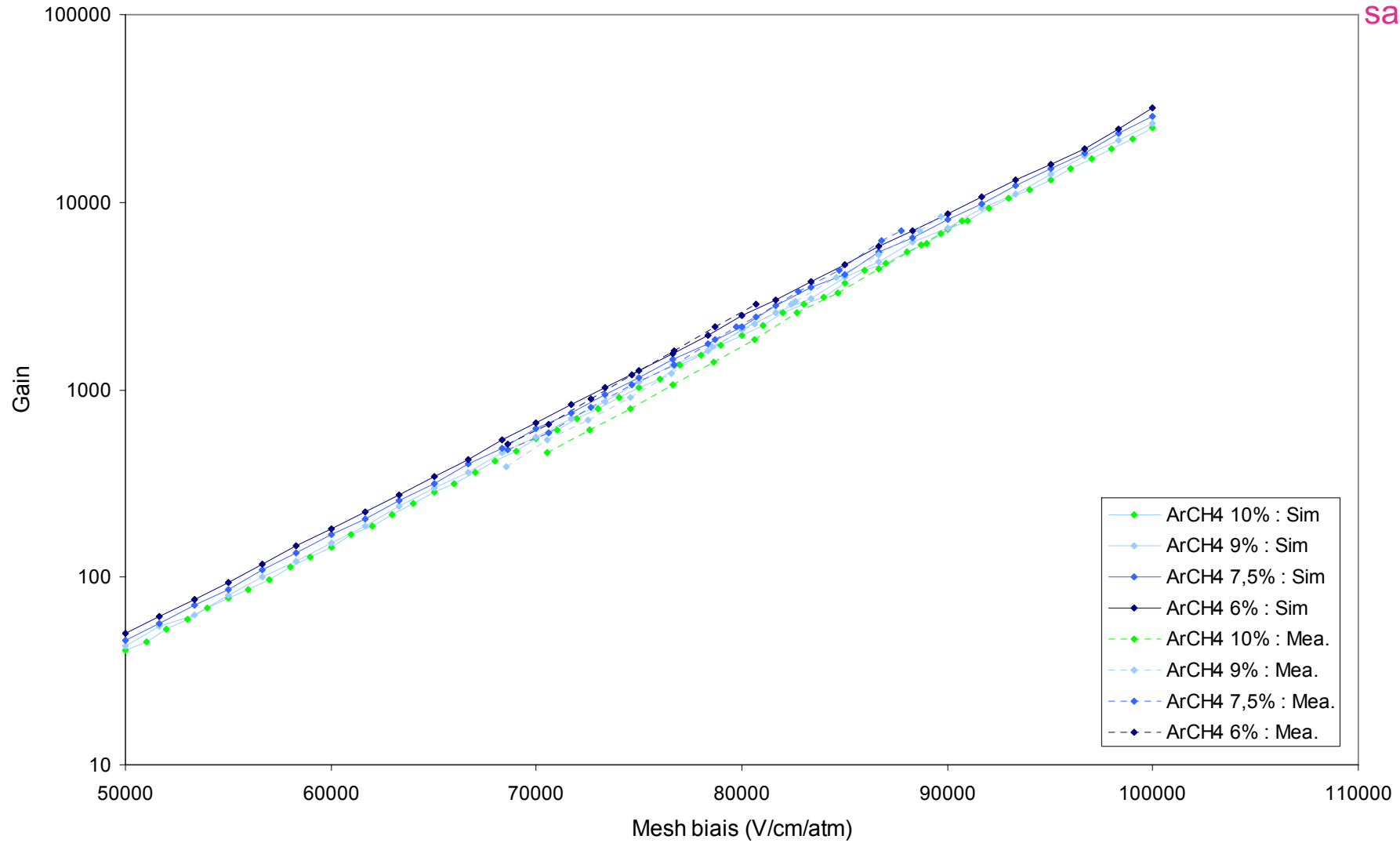


Gain measurements : results



Gain measurements : comparison with simulations

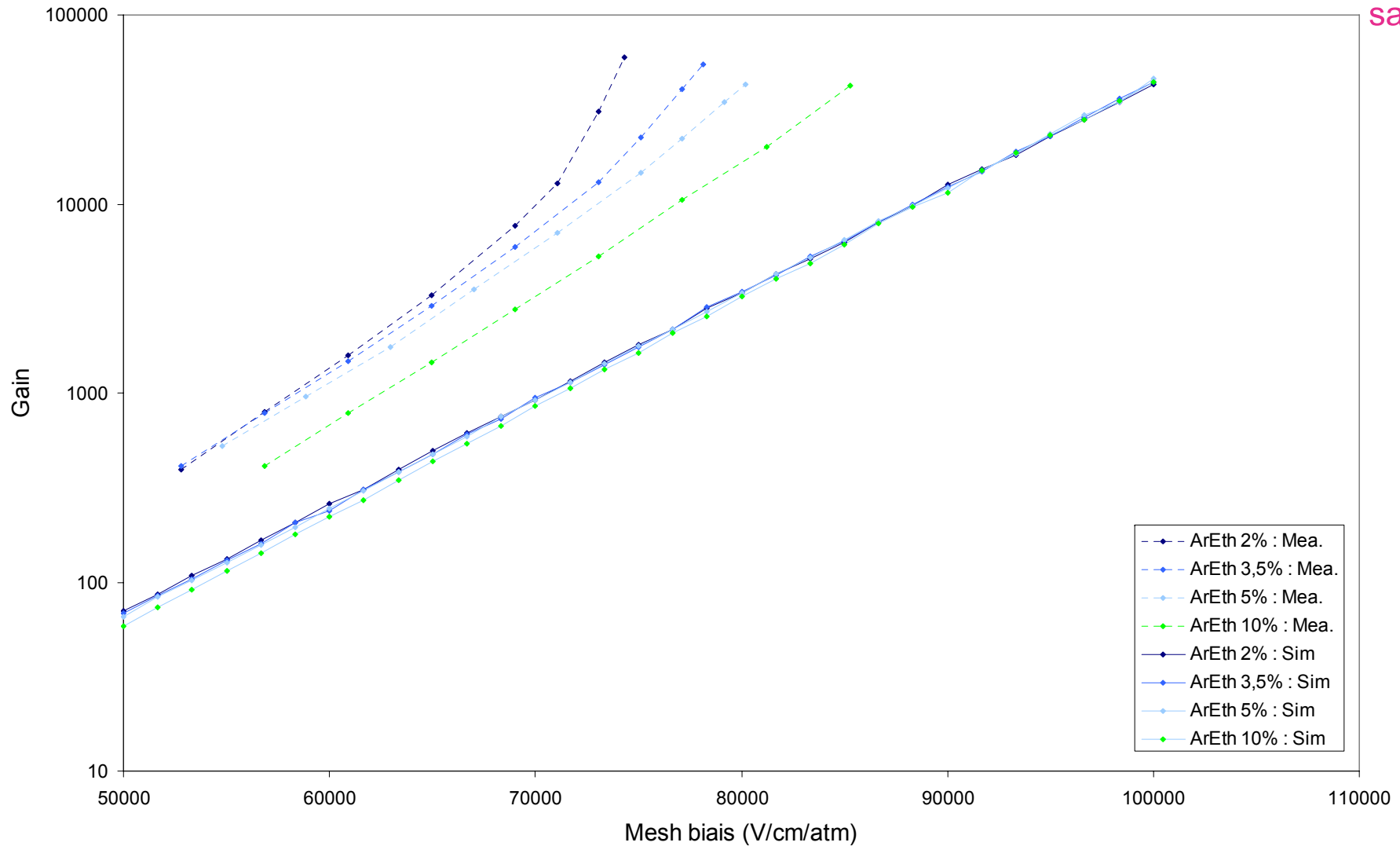
Comparison Simulation/Measurement: Argon-Methane



Simulations from GARFIELD/MAGBOLTZ

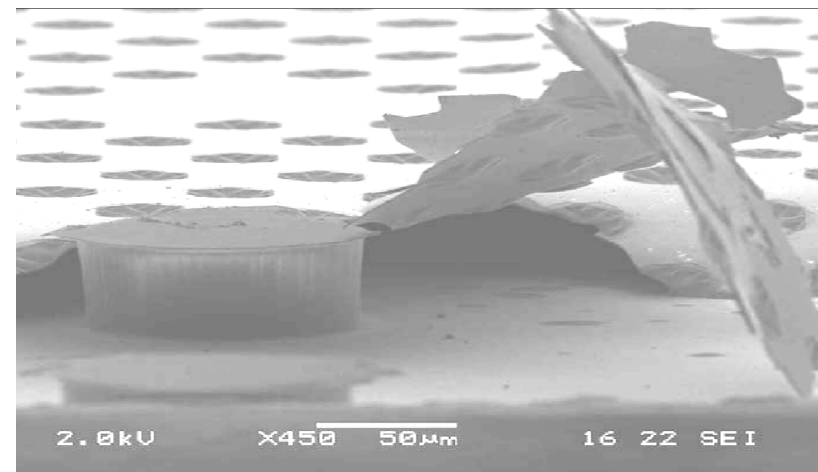
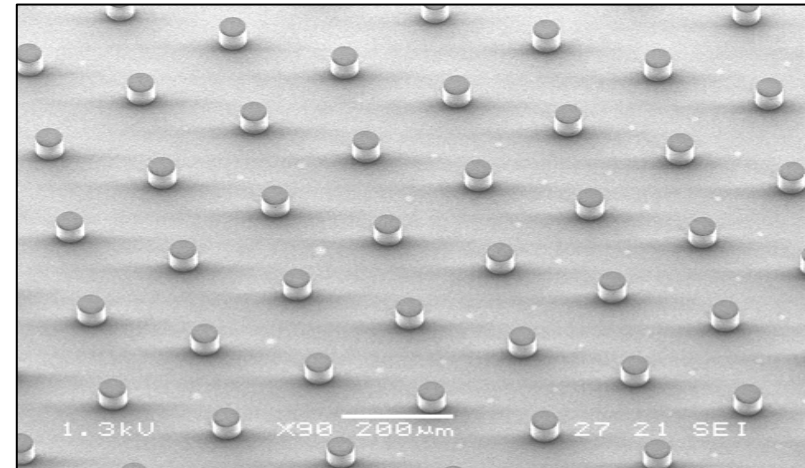
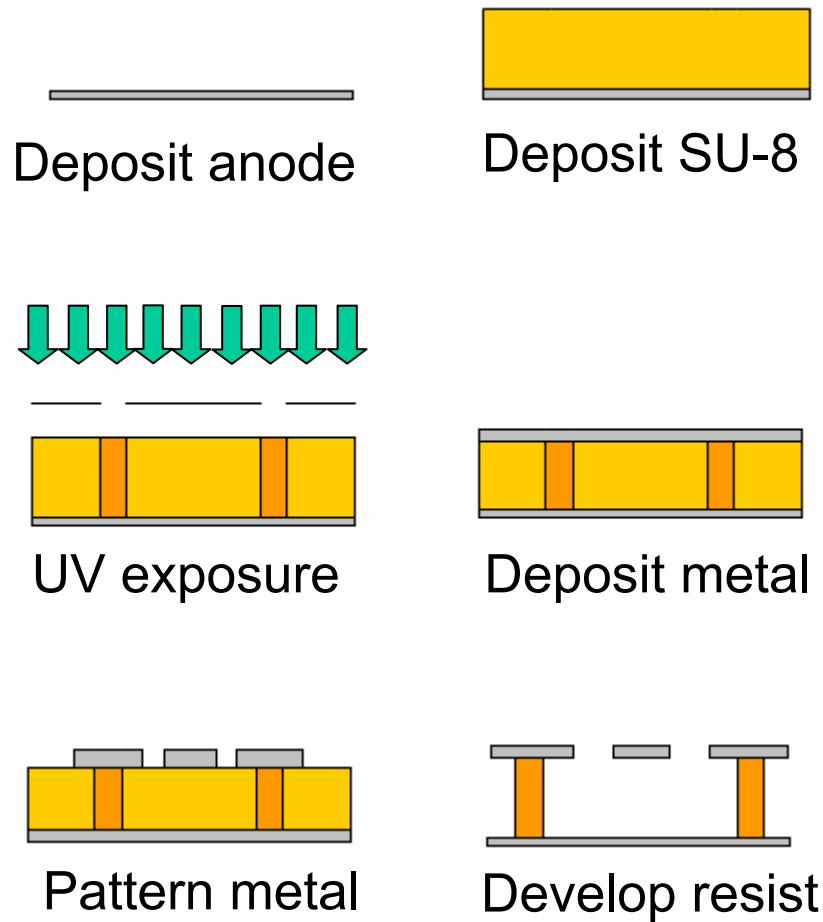
Gain measurements : comparison with simulations

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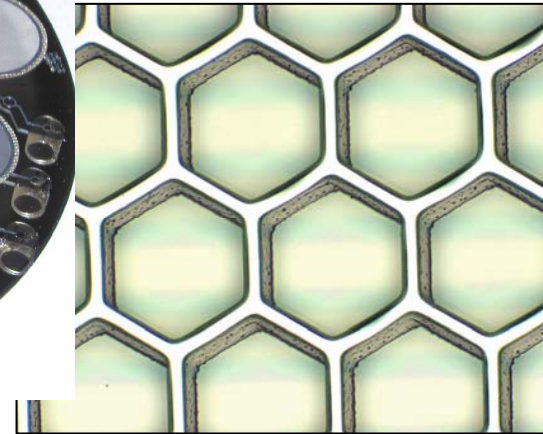
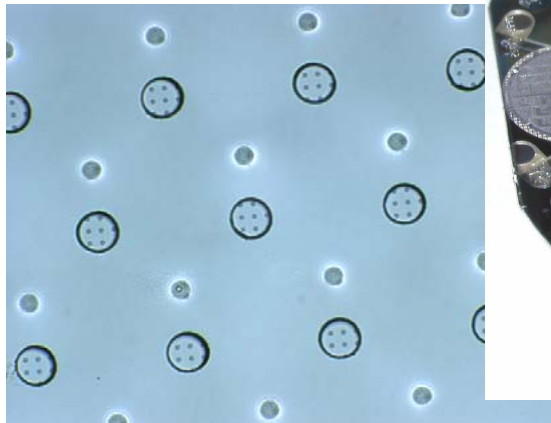
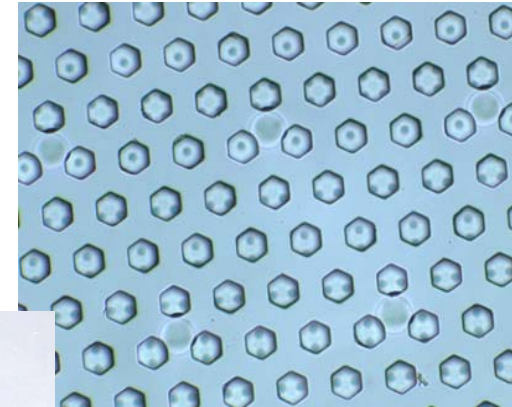
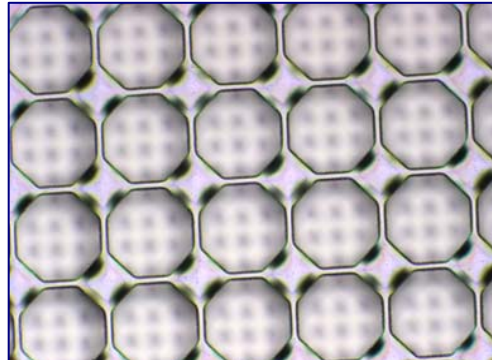
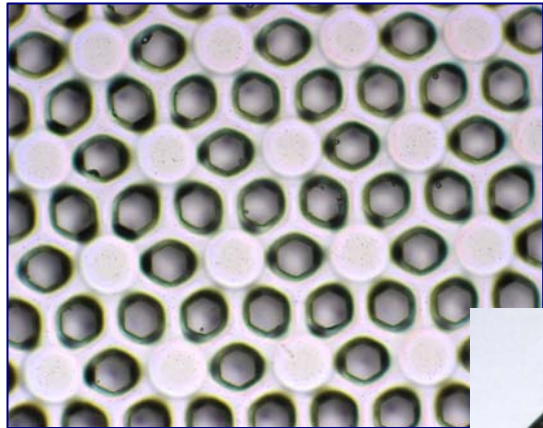


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NIKHEF/Twente: InGrid (Integrated Grid)

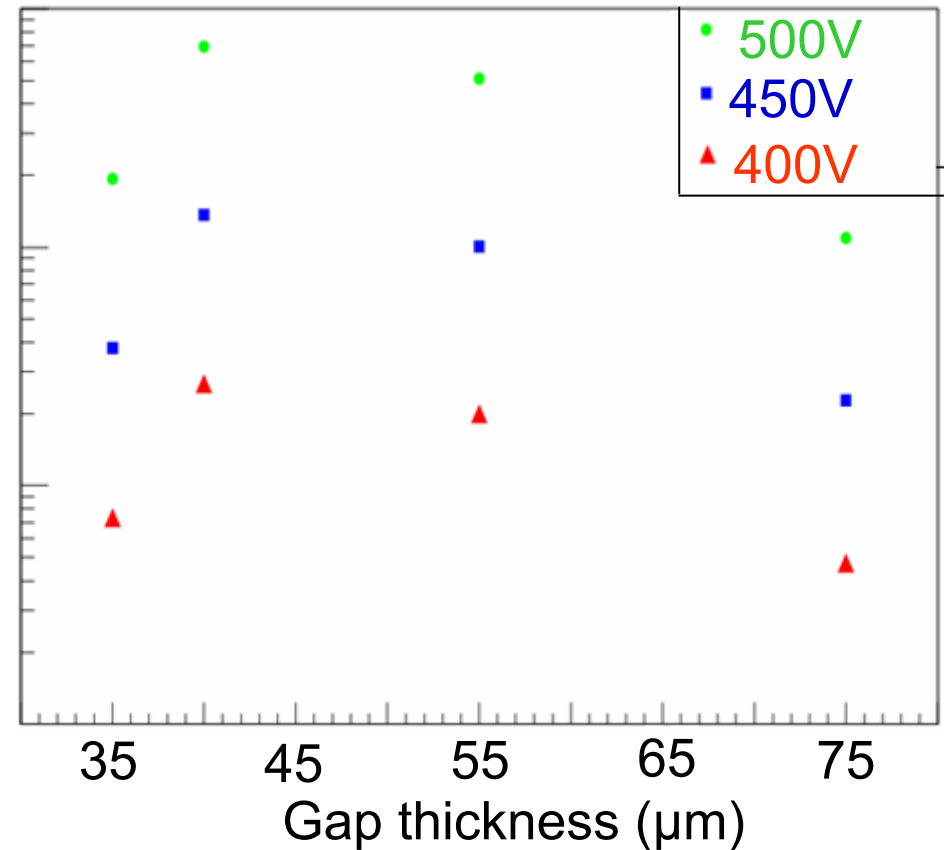
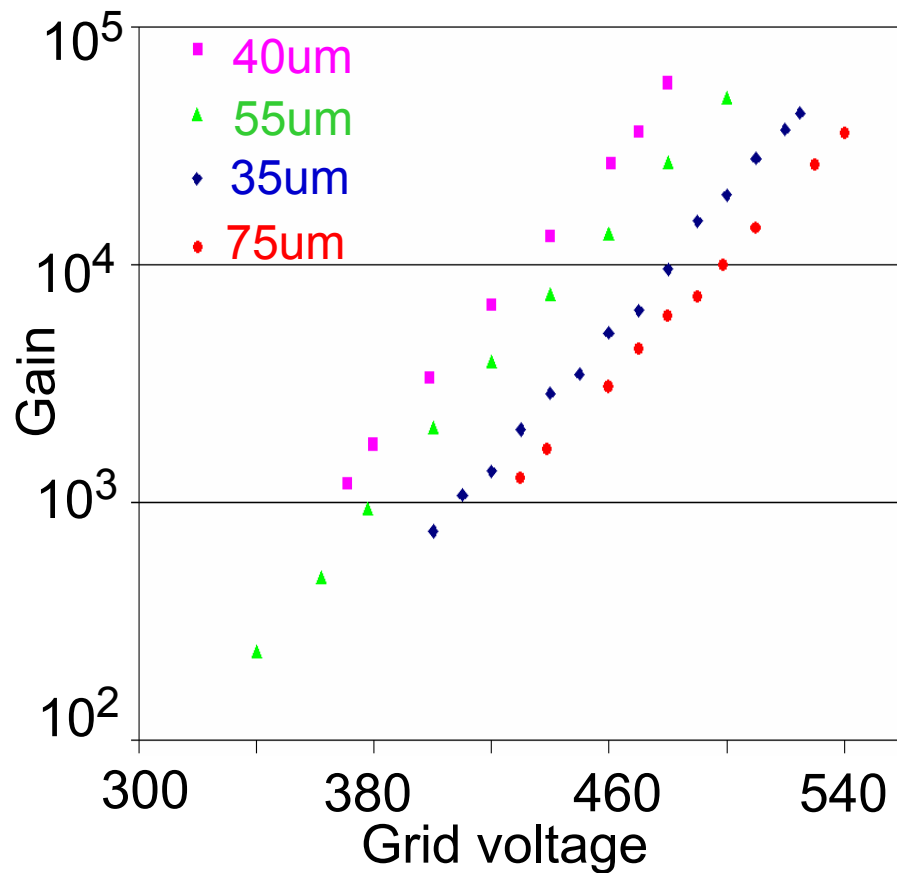


Any field structure feasible



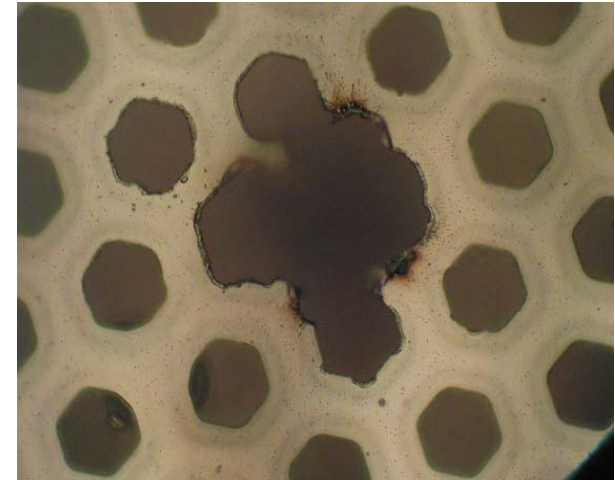
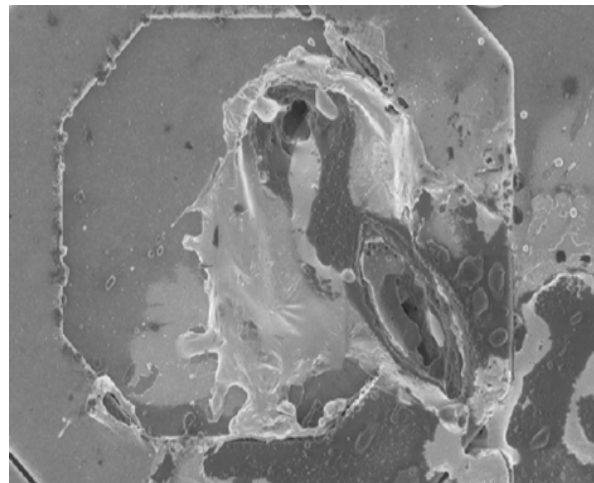
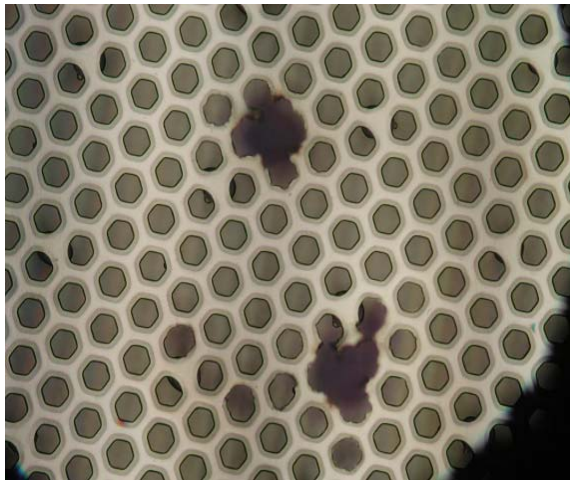
Gain for different gap sizes

+ many other measurements (homogeneity, gain vs. hole size, energy resolution)



Sparking

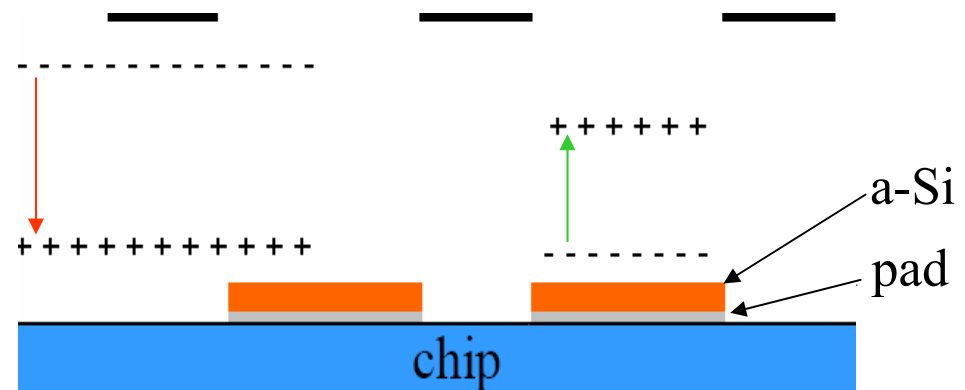
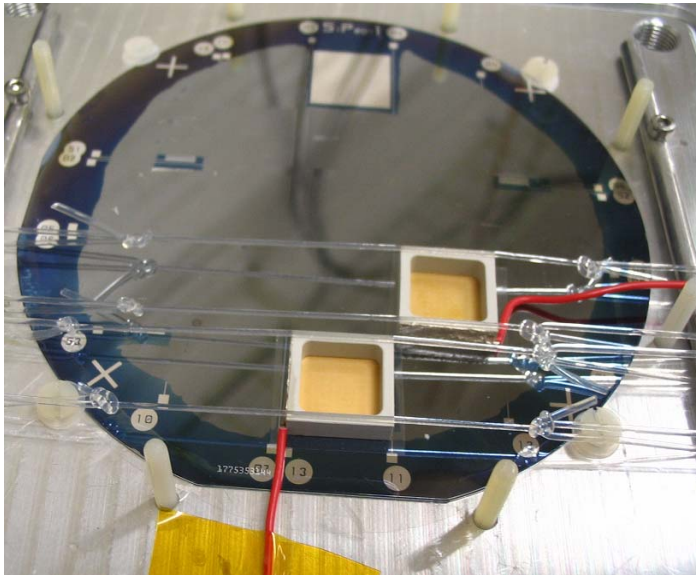
- Chip faces 80kV/cm with no protection (unlike the GEM setup)
- Degradation of the field, or total destruction of grid but also CMOS chip



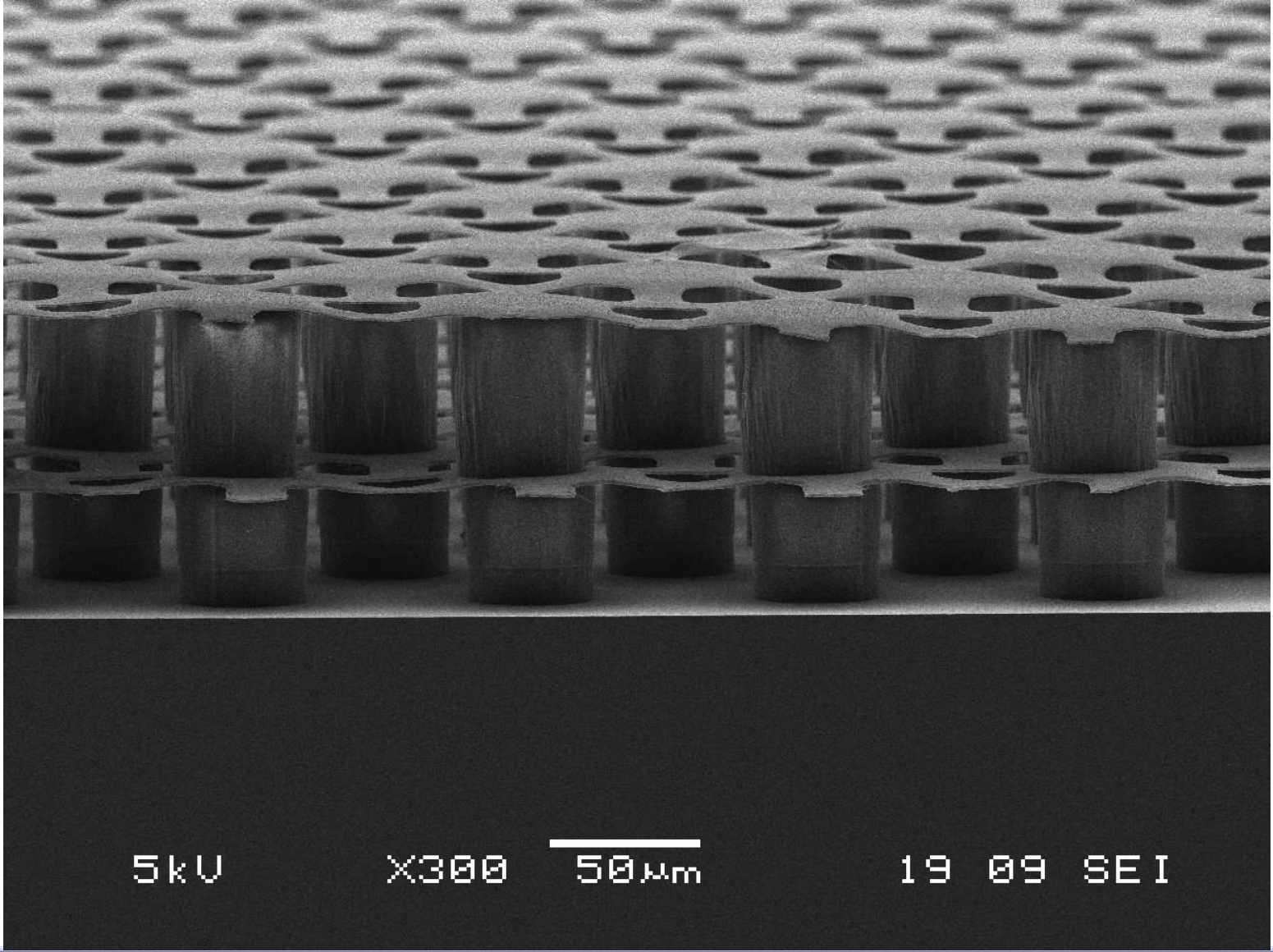
10 μ m

Solution:high resistive layer

- Resistive plate chamber principle
- Amorphous silicon deposited
 - 4um thickness, resistivity $\sim 10^{11}\Omega\cdot\text{cm}$, temperature $\sim 250^\circ\text{C}$
- 2 fields with Micromegas: one protected, one unprotected
- First signals recorded; they look the same



First Twingrid's



5kV

X300

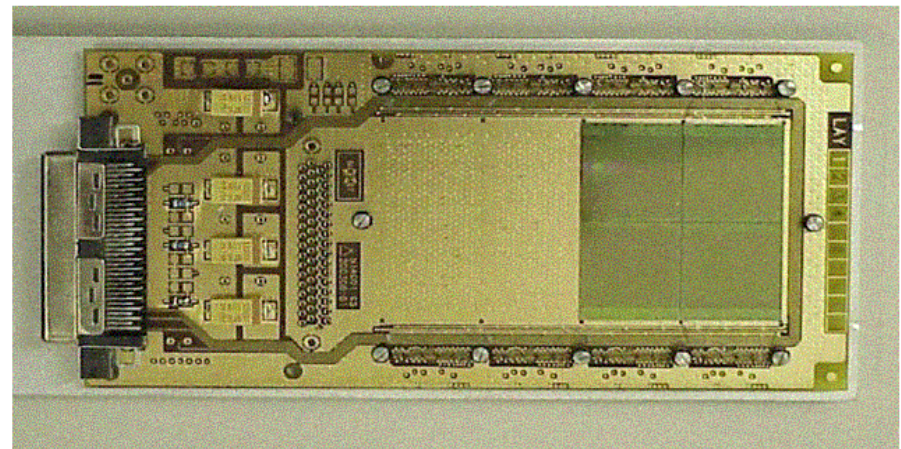
50µm

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Further Developments

RELAXD project (Dutch/Belgian)
NIKHEF, Panalytical, IMEC, Canberra:

- **Chip tiling:** large(r) detector surfaces
(2x2, 2x4 chips)
- **Through Si connectivity:** avoiding bonding wires
- **Fast readout technology**
(~5 Gb/s)



In summary: timetable

- 1st version Timepix operational: 1/2007
- First m.i.p. signals with Timepix: ~4/2007
- Development 2nd iteration Timepix during 2007
- Endplate infrastructure: 1/2008
- Full SITPC infrastructure incl. DAQ available: 1/2009

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CERN:	60.450	21.000	2.000	83.450	
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	(68.354	21.519		89.873	„ „)
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