



## DRD6 Input Proposal: AHCAL

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## Next Steps in AHCAL R&D

## Fit for all Higgs Factories



- The key next step for the AHCAL: Establish capability for running at circular collider (=FCC-ee) conditions on the system level.
  - The main aspect: Continuous readout, no power pulsing.
  - The most challenging situation: FCC-ee Z-pole running: 50 MHz bx-rate, 100 kHz Physics, ~ 200 kHz total
- Main items to study:
  - Re-evaluate need for active cooling:
    - What would be the effect on energy resolution, PFA reconstruction, missing energy, tau ID, ...?
    - Can we avoid it by changing granularity, readout ASICs with lower power consumption?
  - Evaluate consequences of higher data rates:
    - Do we need changes to data concentration strategy (trigger needed?)
    - Possible impact on powering, cooling, services
  - Evaluate / re-optimize detector geometry (sampling structure, granularity), also in view of overall detector layout (maximum expected particle energy, magnetic field, tracker radius)

Central: All changes should not compromise the detector capabilities for Higgs physics!

## Plans & People

Towards an input proposal



- Build a small AHCAL prototype ("EM stack") with continuous readout with hit timing capability
- Task sharing between institutes working on CALICE AHCAL (DESY, U Göttingen, U Hamburg, U Heidelberg, KIT, U Mainz, Prague, Omega)
  - Front-End ASIC (HD, Omega)
  - Back-End / DAQ (KIT, Mainz, Prague)
  - Megatiles (Mainz)
  - Mechanics & Cooling (Mainz, HD, DESY)
  - Common tasks for all: software, testbeams, analysis, ...

will also form the basis for an application of German institutes to BMBF to be submitted early July.





