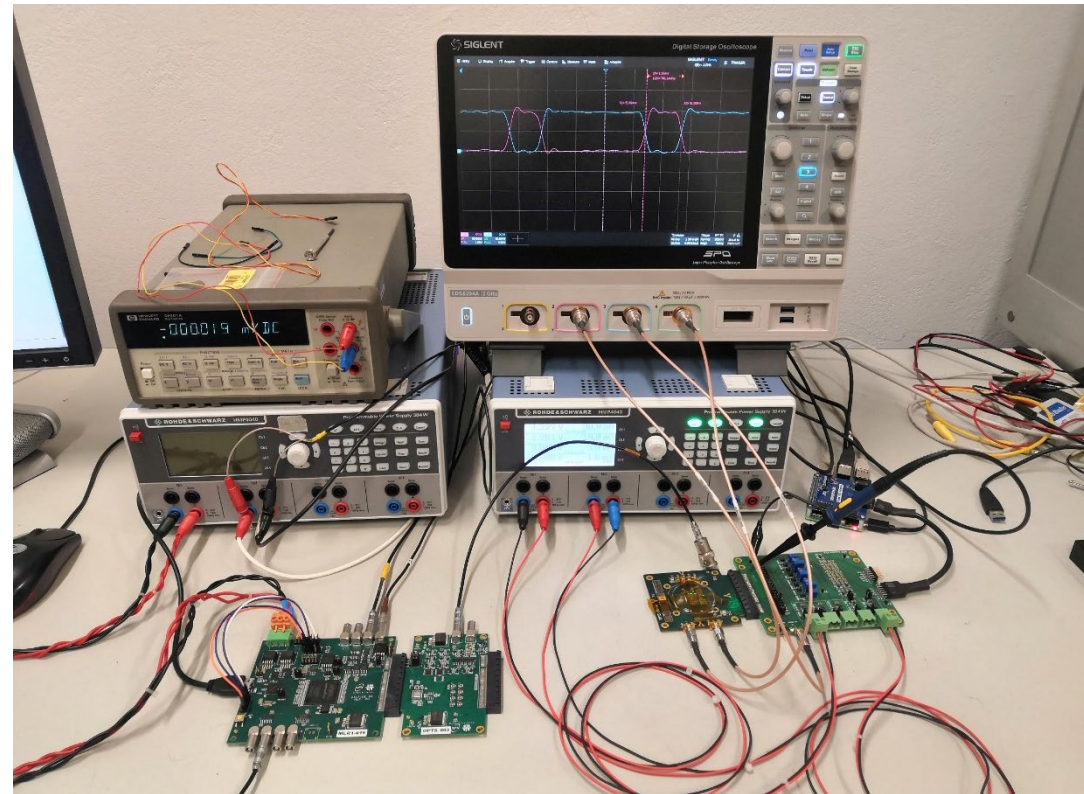
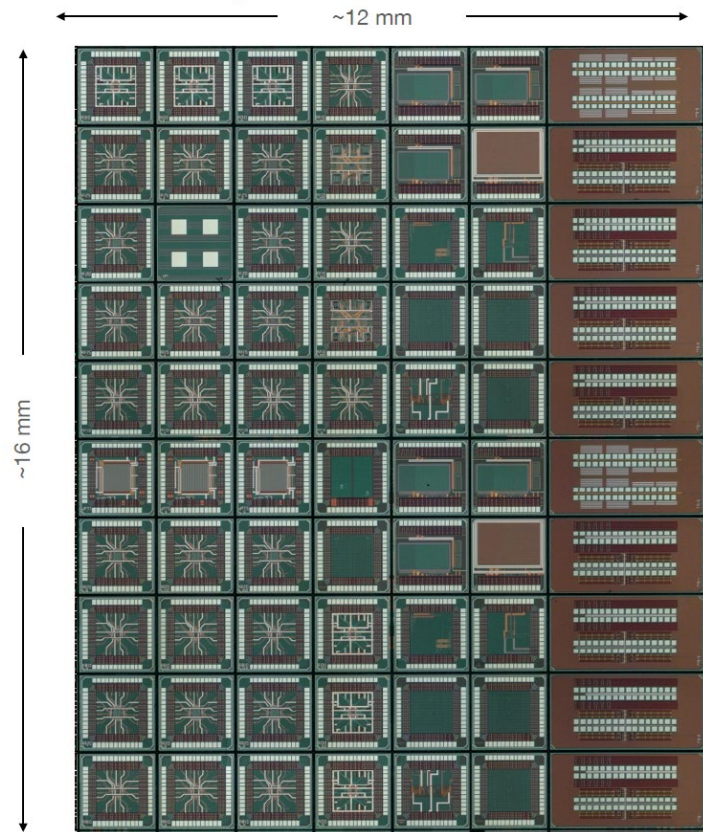


# Sensor characterization

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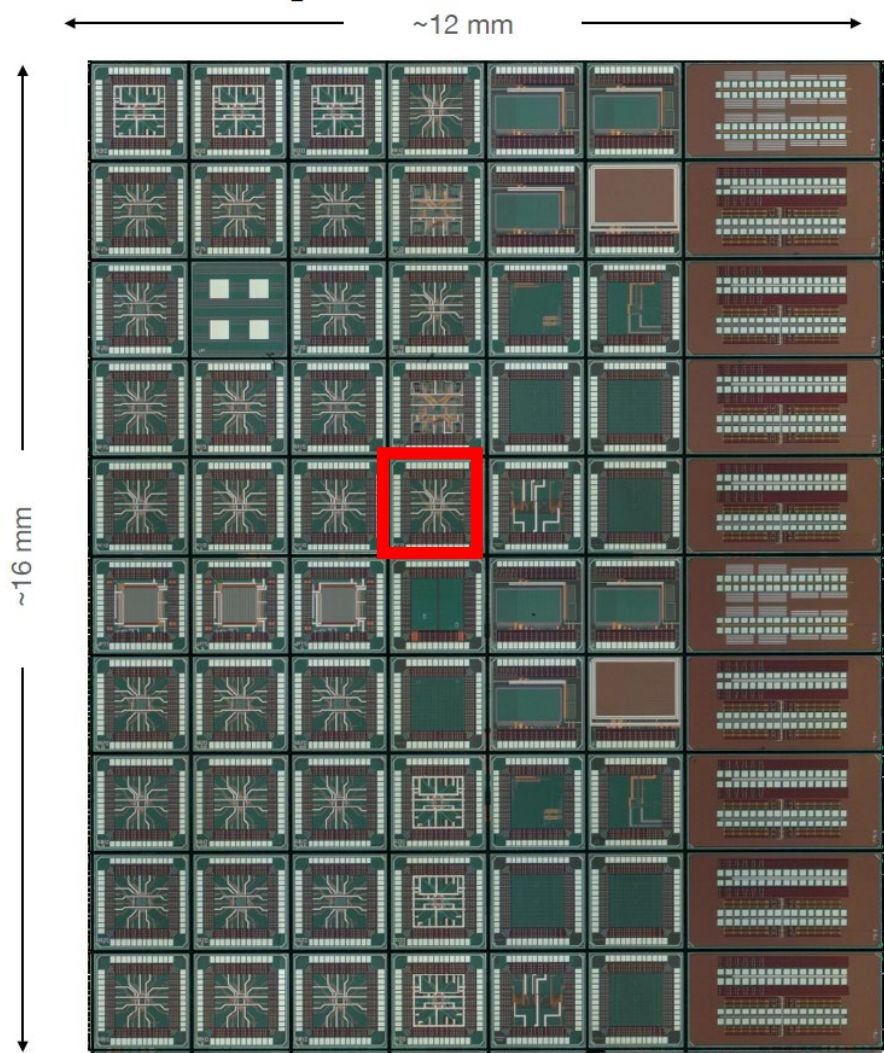
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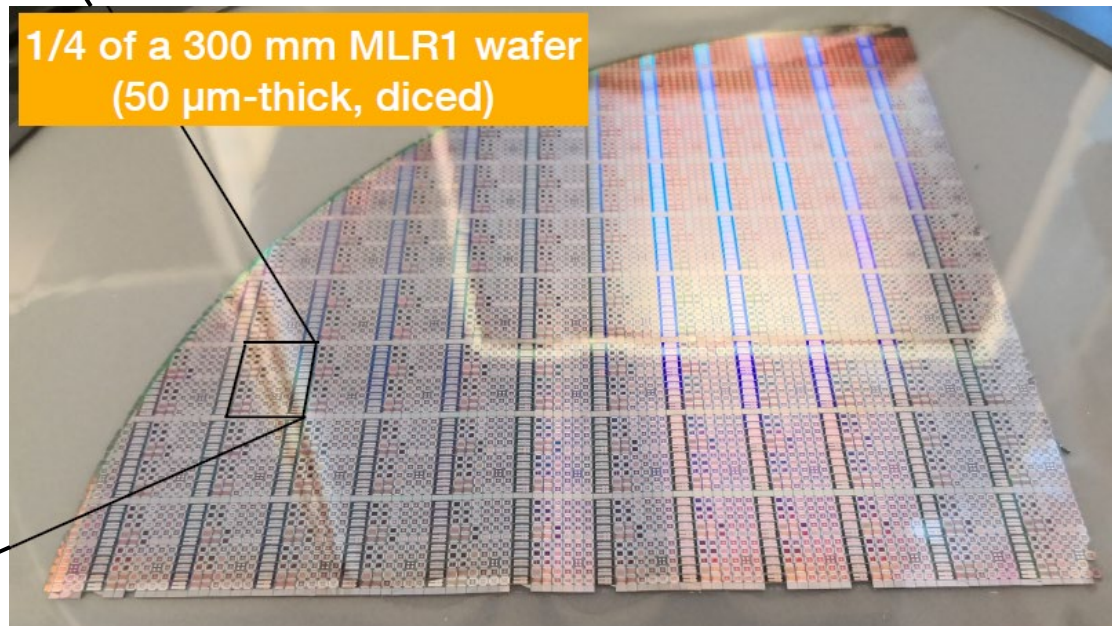
- ITS3 MLR1 testing update
- EIC SC joining the MLR1 testing campaign



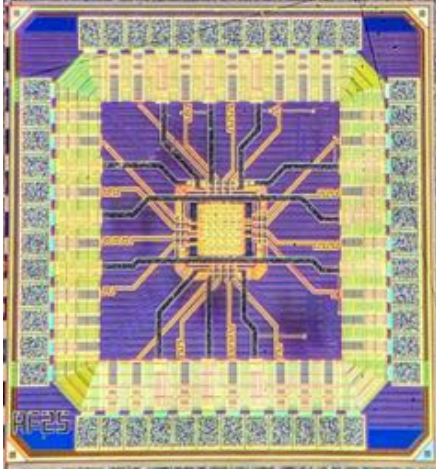
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- Pixel test structures
- Pixel matrices
- Radiation test structures
- Analogue building blocks

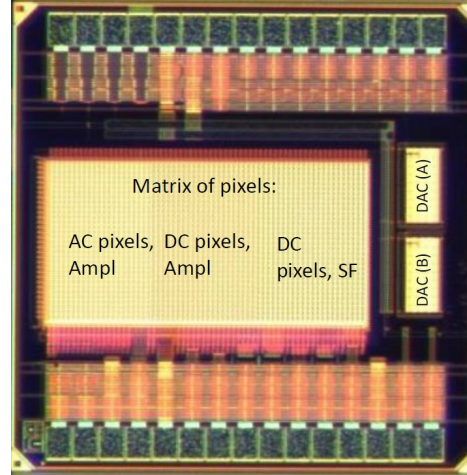


# APTS, CE65, DPTS



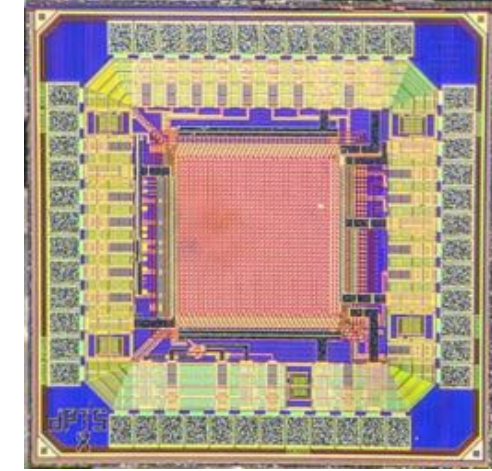
**APTS**

- Most “simple” chip
- 4x4 pixel matrix
- 10, 15, 20, 25  $\mu\text{m}$  pitches
- Different pixel and amplifier architectures
- Direct analogue readout of all 16 pixels



**CE65**

- “Large” area chip with analogue rolling shutter readout
- 64x32 pixel matrix
- 15  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch
- 3 pixel architectures
- 2 currents DACs on same die



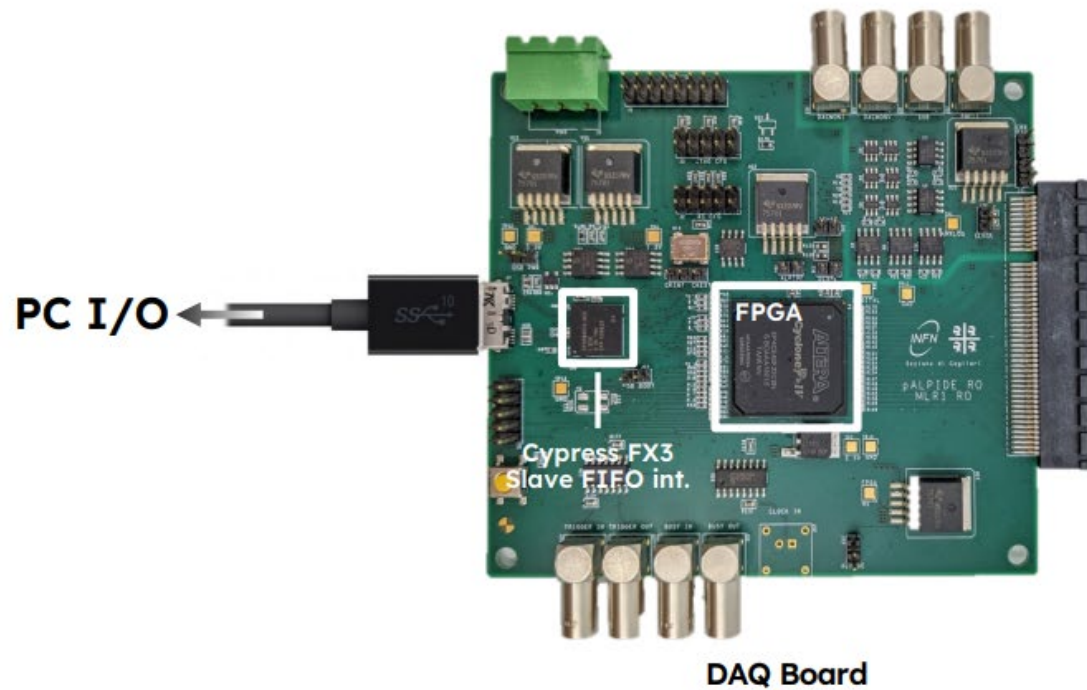
**DPTS**

- Most “complicated” chip
- 32x32 pixel matrix
- 15  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch
- Asynchronous digital readout



# Common test system: DAQ + Proximity + Carrier

## MLR1 Test System



### Proximity

Carrier (hosting the chip)



# MLR1 testing /1 : test system and chip testing

09:05	→ 09:15	<b>Test system commissioning &amp; production</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Progress on SW/FW milestones (<a href="https://gitlab.cern.ch/groups/alice-its3-wp3/-/issues">https://gitlab.cern.ch/groups/alice-its3-wp3/-/issues</a>)</li><li>HW commissioning status (2.5 V, DAC calibration, DAC dead channels)</li><li>Production status</li></ul> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Davide Marras (Universita e INFN, Cagliari (IT)), Gianluca Usai (Universita e INFN, Cagliari (IT)), Mauro Aresti (Universita e INFN, Cagliari (IT)), Stefania Maria Beole (Universita e INFN Torino (IT)), Valerio Sarritzu (Universita e INFN, Cagliari (IT))</p> <p>WP3 Meeting 18 Ja...</p>	10m	
09:15	→ 09:25	<b>APTS SF status &amp; plans</b> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Francesca Carnesecchi (Gangneung-Wonju National University (KR))</p>	10m	Minutes
09:25	→ 09:35	<b>APTS OA status &amp; plans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Commissioning in Torino</li></ul> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Chiara Ferrero, Stefania Maria Beole (Universita e INFN Torino (IT))</p> <p>APTS OPAMP 18_1_...</p>	10m	
09:35	→ 09:45	<b>CE65 status &amp; plans</b> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Serhiy Senyukov (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (FR)), Szymon Bugiel (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (FR))</p> <p>CE65_lab_01_2022_...</p>	10m	
09:45	→ 09:55	<b>DPTS status &amp; plans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Commissioning in Trieste</li></ul> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Matthew Daniel Buckland (Universita e INFN Trieste (IT)), Miljenko Suljic (CERN)</p> <p>dpts-Trieste_2022-0...</p>	10m	
09:55	→ 10:00	<b>Irradiation status &amp; plans</b> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Hartmut Hillemanns (CERN)</p>	5m	Minutes

## Active groups:

### Test system design/production

- Cagliari
- Torino
- Strasbourg IPHC
- Trieste
- CERN

### Chip tests:

- CERN
- Torino
- Strasbourg IPHC
- Trieste

## O(1k) chips to test!

# MLR1 testing /2 : beam test data analysis

The screenshot shows a meeting agenda for 'Tesbeam data analysis' from 10:00 to 10:40. It lists two sessions: 'DPTS testbeam analysis @ GSI' at 10:00 by Pascal Becht, and 'DPTS testbeam analysis @ NIKHEF' at 10:20 by Roberto Russo. Each session has a 20-minute duration and a document icon. The interface includes a vertical timeline on the left and right sides.

Time	Topic	Speaker	Duration
10:00	DPTS testbeam analysis @ GSI	Pascal Becht (Ruprecht Karls Universitaet Heidelberg (DE))	20m
10:20	DPTS testbeam analysis @ NIKHEF	Roberto Russo (Nikhef National Institute for subatomic physics (NL))	20m

## Data available from:

- [DESY September 2021](#) - MLR1, Carbon foam, W-ALPIDE
- [NPI September 2021](#) - DPTS SEU cross-section
- [NPI October 2021](#) - DPTS irradiation & SEU cross-section
- [PS October 2021](#) - MLR1
- [SPS November 2021](#) - MLR1
- [DESY December 2021](#) - MLR1
- [NPI December 2021](#) - DPTS irradiation & SEU cross-section

## Active groups in beam test data analysis:

- GSI
- NIKHEF
  - Both these groups joined ITS3 recently

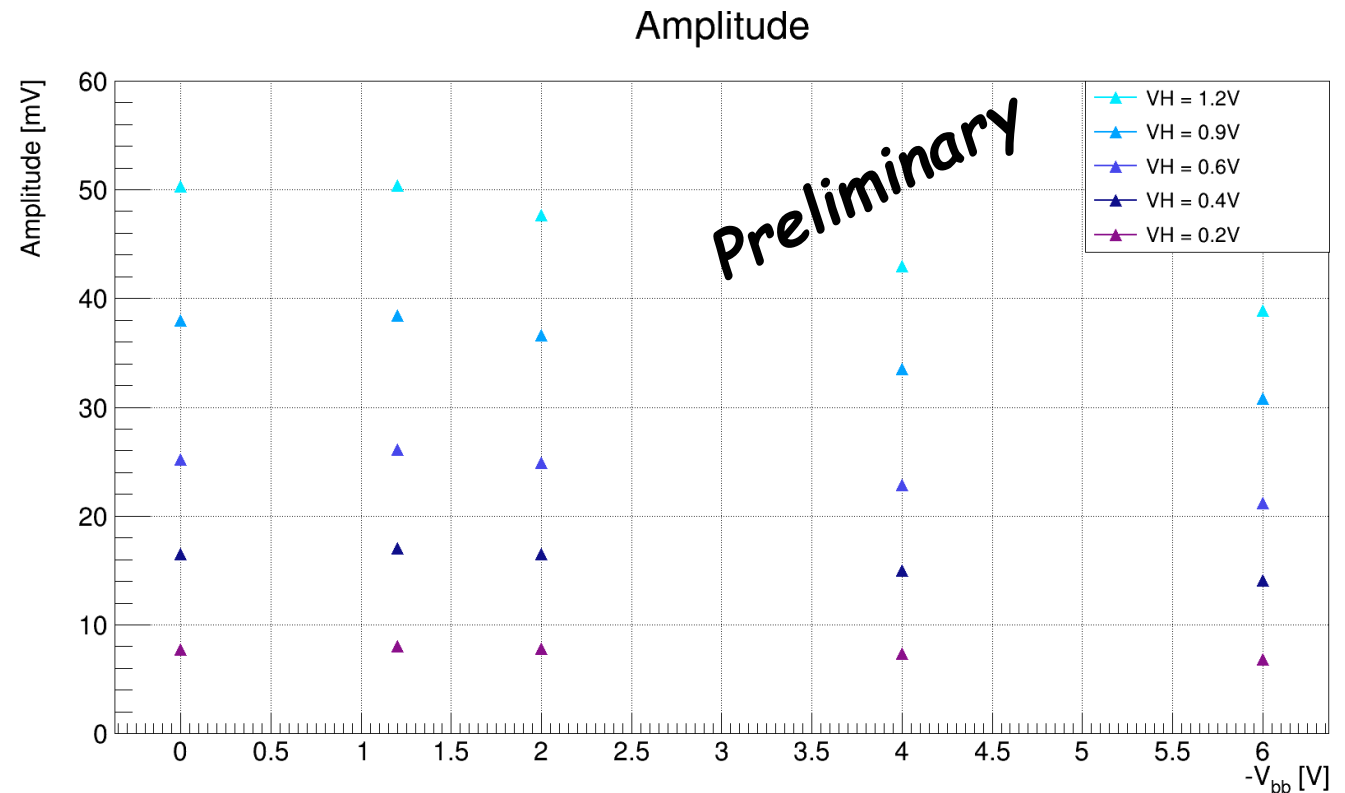
# APTS: OA and SF

- **APTS OA**

- Work started in Turin
- Modification of the test system for correct operation of the chip
- First intriguing results:
  - E.g. inverse dependence of signal amplitude vs. back bias voltage

- **APTS SF**

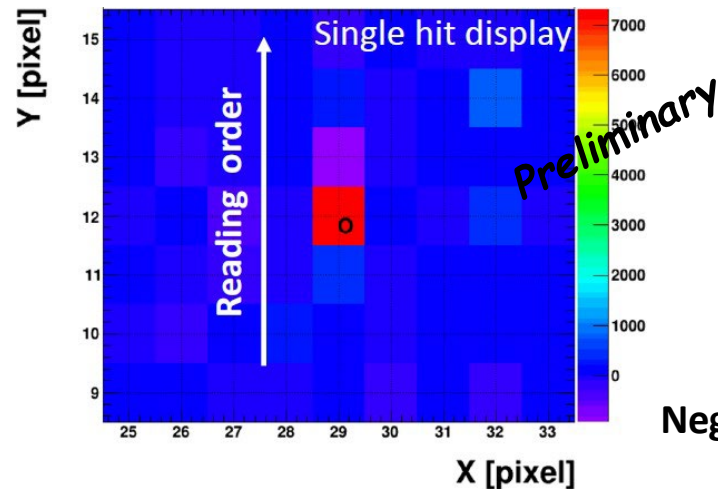
- Laboratory tests and beam test analysis are on hold
- Validation of the test system calibration (chip biases DACs) in progress
- Catania group is joining the effort



Chiara Ferrero et al. (Universita and INFN Torino)



# CE65: Investigation of two readout problems



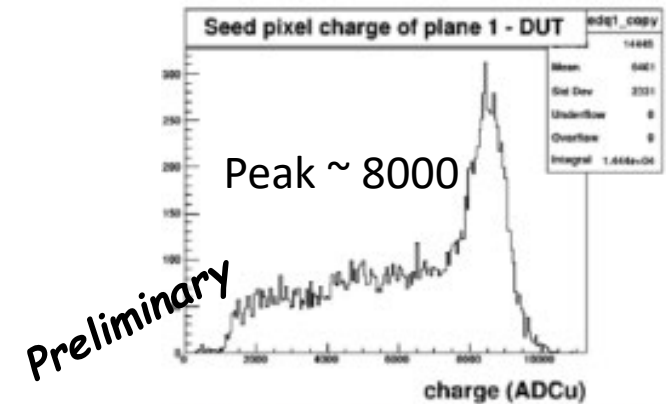
Negative pulse after seed pixel

Szymon Bugiel,  
Andrei Dorokhov  
Kimmo Jaaskelainen  
(IPHC Strasbourg)

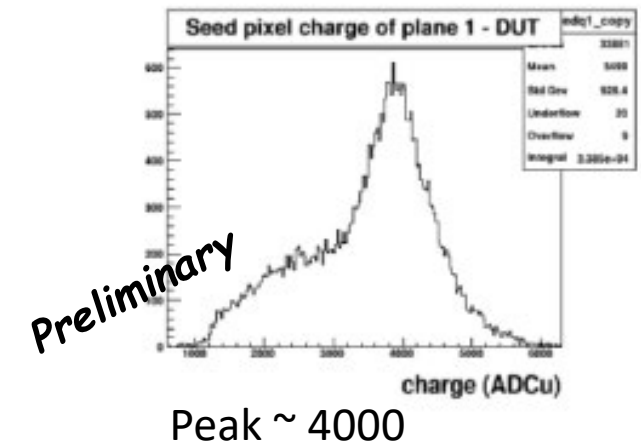
- Both problems seem to be caused by sub-optimal values of resistances on chip carrier and proximity boards.
- After replacement of the resistors:
  1. No more negative pulses
  2. Signal amplitude equal at 20 and 40 MHz rates
  3. Total gain reduced by factor x2
- Optimization in progress

Readout frequency dependence of signal amplitude

CLK = 40 MHz, VBB = 0, B4:



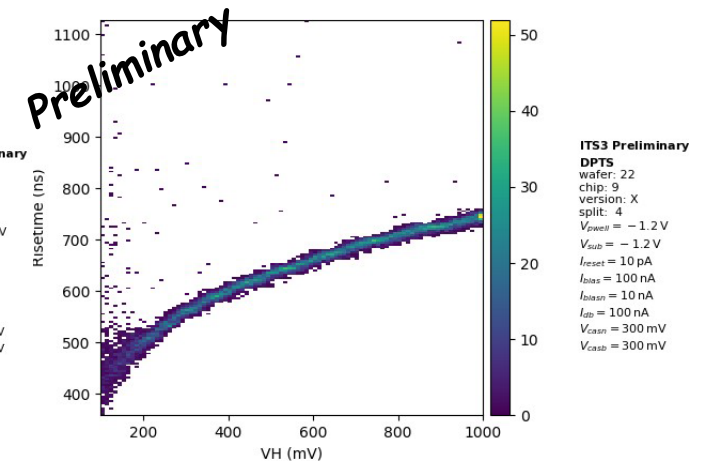
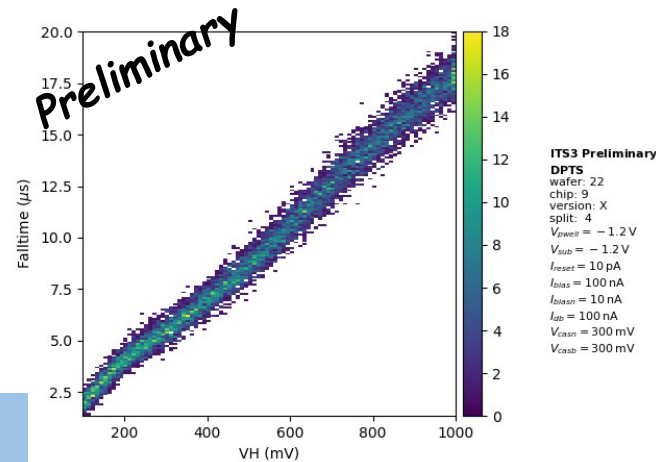
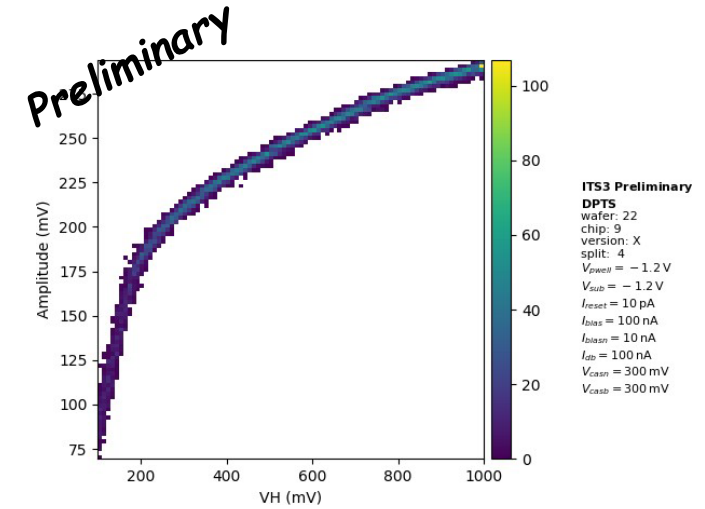
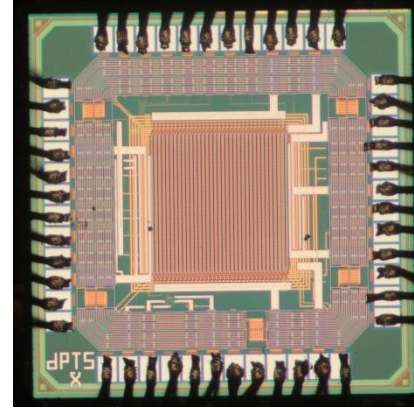
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# DPTS: laboratory tests

## Activities ramping up now:

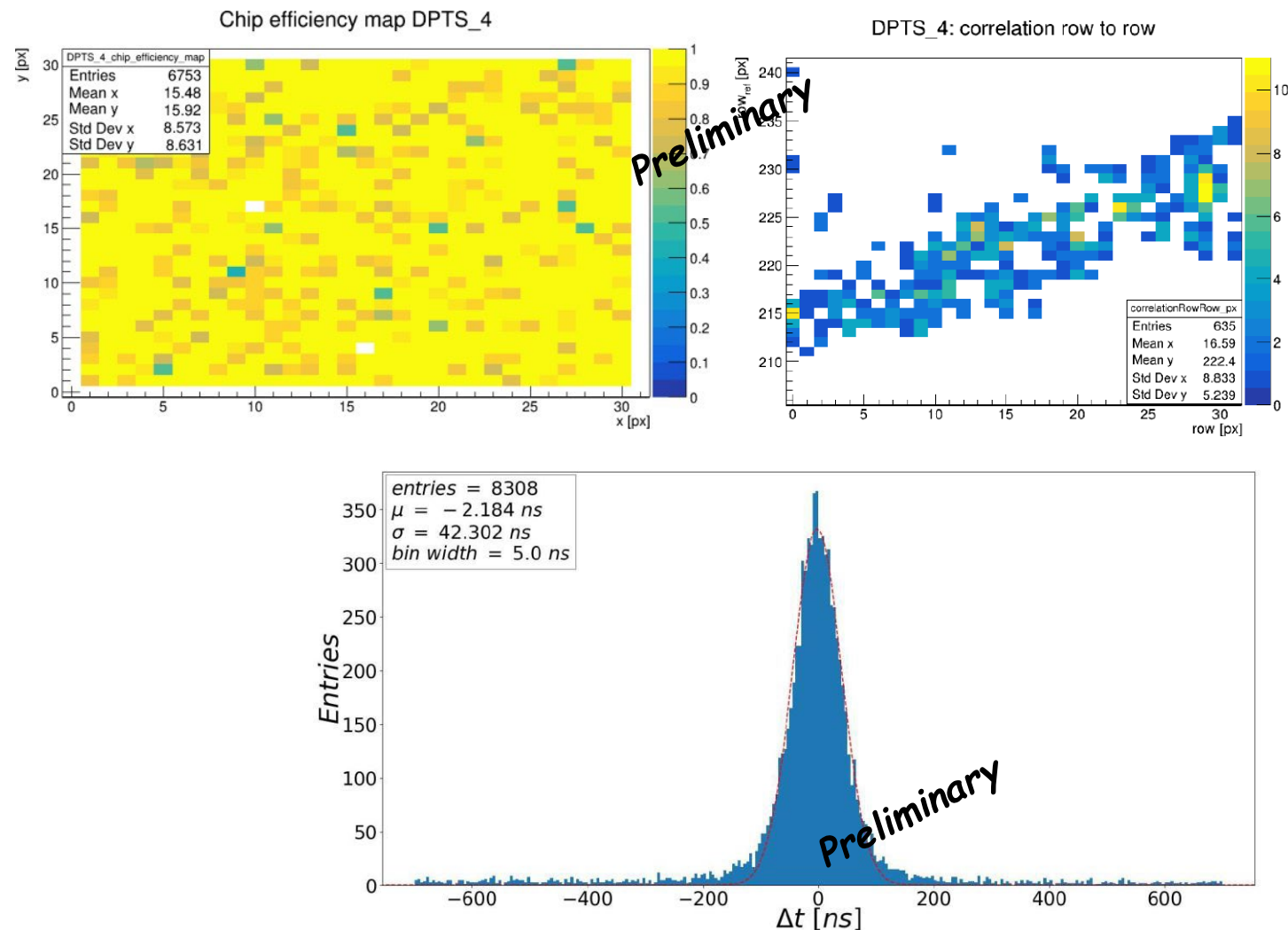
- Bonding of chips
- Test system commissioning
  - DPTS is readout via oscilloscope
  - Each setup is customized for available hardware
- Setting up readout of analogue pixel output



Matthew Buckland et al. (Universita and INFN Trieste)

# DPTS: beam test analysis

- Only DESY September data is being analyzed so far:
  - Spatial resolution and efficiency by Pascal Becht (GSI)
  - Time resolution study by Roberto Russo and Bram Van Haastrecht (NIKHEF)
- Efficiency  $\sim 100\%$
- Work still in progress
- **Manpower is urgently needed to analyze other beam tests data**





# EIC SC joining the MLR1 testing campaign

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- Dedicated EIC SC meeting last Friday: <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/14561/>
- A path to join the ITS3 MLR1 testing campaign was proposed:
  1. Inform/negotiate with Alex Kluge and Magnus Mager at the institutional level
  2. Discuss with Miko Suljic and Sergey Senyukov ITS3 WP3 conveners
  3. Start contributing to testing and/or data analysis (*see next slides*)
    - Task type will be suggested by the WP3 conveners, based on the proposed commitment
- Silicon Consortium will facilitate participation and promote interactions with ITS3

# EIC SC Institute participation summary

Institute	Contact person	Also ALICE ITS3	Requested a Test system	Has a test system	Active Tasks
Birmingham	Laura Gonella	no	yes		
RAL	Fergus Wilson	no	yes		
Liverpool	Marielle Chartier	yes	yes		
Lancaster	Harald Fox	no	yes		
Brunel	Liliana Teodorescu	no			
Daresbury	Marcello Borri	yes	yes		
University of Chicago Illinois	Zhenyu Ye	no			
CAPADS Prague	Lukáš Tomášek	no	yes		
ORNL	Jo Schambach	yes	yes		
LBNL/UC	Nikki Apadula, Barbara Jacak	yes	yes		
JLAB	Brian Eng	no	yes		
INFN Trieste	Giacomo Contin	yes	n.a.	yes	DPTS, APTS, Bent ALPIDE characterization

# How to contribute to sensor characterization

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1. Agree on a task and on a training period with an experienced group (see [Tasklist](#)\*)
  - Characterization tasks are suitable for institutes committing for more than 1 y
2. Join the experienced group for a few weeks to work with them
  - Tests are still in the development/debugging phase → very convenient for learning!
  - Trainee is backed up by long-term committed supervisor and home institute infrastructure
3. In the meantime, procure the necessary equipment for testing at the home institute:
  - ITS3 test systems available from March (priority to ITS groups)
  - Laboratory equipment:
    - PC / Raspberry Pi
    - Electronics laboratory capabilities
    - Radioactive sources / laser system
    - Oscilloscope with BW>1GHz (only for some tests)
    - Wire bonding facility (optional)

\* accessible to ALICE members only – working on a solution for external groups



# How to contribute to beam test data analysis

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## A. Medium-term commitment ( $\geq 6$ months):

- Start from the [documentation](#)\*
- Initial 'in-person' training with experienced 'analyzers' can be agreed, but is not required
- Supervision and support at the home institute are required
- Receive support through the dedicated mattermost channel

## B. Long-term commitment ( $> 1$ year, at least 50% of time)

- Special in person training with beam test data analysis expert will be organized
- Supervision and support at home institute are required
- Standard documentation/mattermost support always available

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# Conclusions

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- First interesting results coming from MLR1 characterization
  - Some unexpected results:
    - Require further investigation
    - Useful for test system debugging
  - Some performance confirmed as expected
  - New contributors are more than welcome
- Effective contribution to testing can start immediately
  - **Training with experts at host institution (CERN or other groups)**
  - Local supervision at home institute is required
- Effective contribution to data analysis can start immediately
  - **Remote training and support**





# Chip variant phase space

APTS

#	Pitch (um)	Buffer	Coupling	Process	#	Pitch (um)	Buffer	Coupling	Process
1	10	SF	DC	std	19	10	SF+amp	DC	std
2	10	SF	DC	mod	20	10	SF+amp	DC	mod
3	10	SF	DC	gap	21	10	SF+amp	DC	gap
4	15	SF	DC	std	22	20	SF+amp	DC	std
5	15	SF	DC	mod	23	20	SF+amp	DC	mod
6	15	SF	DC	gap	24	20	SF+amp	DC	gap
7	20	SF	DC	std	25	10	SF+amp	AC	std
8	20	SF	DC	mod	26	10	SF+amp	AC	mod
9	20	SF	DC	gap	27	10	SF+amp	AC	gap
10	25	SF	DC	std	28	20	SF+amp	AC	std
11	25	SF	DC	mod	29	20	SF+amp	AC	mod
12	25	SF	DC	gap	30	20	SF+amp	AC	gap
13	10	SF	AC	std	31	10	OPAMP	DC	std
14	10	SF	AC	mod	32	10	OPAMP	DC	mod
15	10	SF	AC	gap	33	10	OPAMP	DC	gap
16	20	SF	AC	std	34	10	OPAMP	AC	std
17	20	SF	AC	mod	35	10	OPAMP	AC	mod
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					38	20	SF mux	DC	gap

## CE65

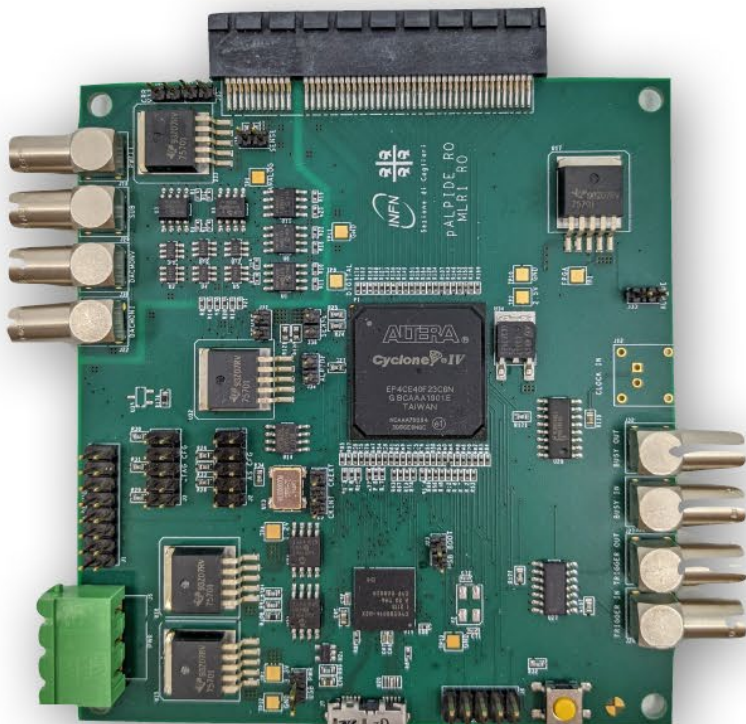
#	Pitch (um)	Buffer [coupling]	Process
A	15	Amp [AC], Amp [DC], SF [DC]	std
B	15	Amp [AC], Amp [DC], SF [DC]	gap
C	15	Amp [AC], Amp [DC], SF [DC]	Mod
D	25	Amp [AC], Amp [DC], SF [DC]	std

## DPTS

#	Pitch (um)	Variant
1	15	Base
2	15	Column cross connect
3	15	column cross connect, shorted DVSS AVSS

× 4 splits

MLR1 DAQ board



DPTS Proximity Card



APTS SF Proximity Card



CE65 Proximity Card



APTS OA Proximity Card



**20 DAQ + 20 Proximity cards  
delivered 17.08.**

Commissioning ongoing at  
INFN Cagliari (FW/SW/all variants),  
CERN (APTS/DPTS), IPHC (CE65)



# MLR1 Task List: APTS SourceFollower

APTS SF characterisation	Lab measurements		-	-	Sensor characterisation in the laboratory.
		Software	?	?	Develop software for signal extraction and clusterisation.
		Noise	?	?	Study the noise of the test system, sensor, RTS.
		Calibrate	?	?	Calibrate conversion and pulsing capacitances (55-Fe).
		Charge collection	?	?	Study the response to 55-Fe X-rays. X different variants X different biases.
		Temperature dependence	?	?	Characterise sensor response as function of temperature.
		Separating PWELL and SUB	?	?	Study the behaviour with separate PWELL and SUB.
	Testbeam analysis		-	-	Analyse the testbeam data.
		EUDAQ converter	Mauro	Nov 2021	Write, test and verify APTS converter.
		Charge collection	?	?	Study charge collection MPV and charge sharing. X different variants X different biases.
		Efficiency	?	?	Efficiency vs biasing parameters / threshold for multiple chips.
		Spatial resolution	?	?	Spatial resolution vs biasing parameters / threshold for multiple chips.



# MLR1 Task List: APTS OpAmp

APTS OA characterisation	Lab measurements		-	-	Sensor characterisation in the laboratory.
		Software	?	?	Develop software for signal extraction and clusterisation.
		Noise	?	?	Study the noise of the test system, sensor, RTS.
		Pulsing	?	?	Study response to pulsing.
		Calibrate	?	?	Calibrate conversion and pulsing capacitances (55-Fe).
		Charge collection	?	?	Study the response to 55-Fe X-rays. X different variants X different biases.
		Laser response	?	?	Characterise all aspects of the sensor response to laser beam.
	Testbeam analysis		-	-	Analyse the testbeam data.
		EUDAQ SW	?	?	Write, test and verify Producer and Converter.
		Efficiency	?	?	Efficiency vs biasing parameters / threshold for multiple chips.
		Time resolution	?	?	Study time response to MIP beam.

# MLR1 Task List: DPTS

DPTS characterisation	Commission DAQ board based test system		Trieste	2021	Commission the MLR1 DAQ board + DPTS Proximity for use with DPTS.
	Lab measurements		-	-	Sensor characterisation in the laboratory.
		Response vs front-end bias	?	?	Threshold, noise, Fake Hit Rate, TOT, Rise time... as a function of all biasing parameters. Subset of pixels, multiple chips (variants, irradiation...).
		Noise	?	?	Understand noise sources and behaviour.
		Dead pixels	?	?	Study pixels unresponsive to pulsing and external stimuli.
		<sup>55</sup> Fe	?	?	Study the response to <sup>55</sup> Fe X-rays and try to use it to calibrate the pulsing capacitance/threshold.
		Temperature dependence	?	?	Characterise sensor response as function of temperature.
		Separating PWELL and SUB	?	?	Study the behaviour with separate PWELL and SUB.
		Monitor pixel output	?	?	Characterise AOUT pulse as function biasing parameters.
		Laser response	?	?	Characterise all aspects of the sensor response to laser beam.
	Testbeam analysis		-	-	Analyse the testbeam data.
		Efficiency	?	?	Efficiency vs biasing parameters / threshold for multiple chips.
		Spatial resolution	?	?	Spatial resolution vs biasing parameters / threshold for multiple chips.
		Time resolution	?	?	Study time response to MIP beam.