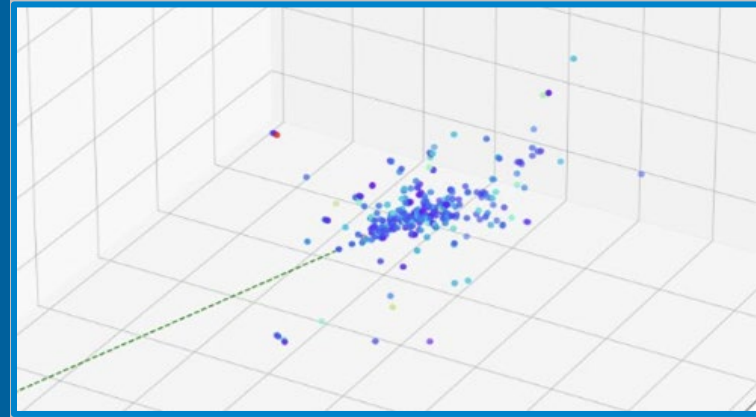


# Pion Rejection Study with Imaging Calorimeter for EPIC



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# Simulation for e/pi Separation

EPIC Bryce canyon configuration (with cladding to fibers that lower sampling fraction to 9.3%)

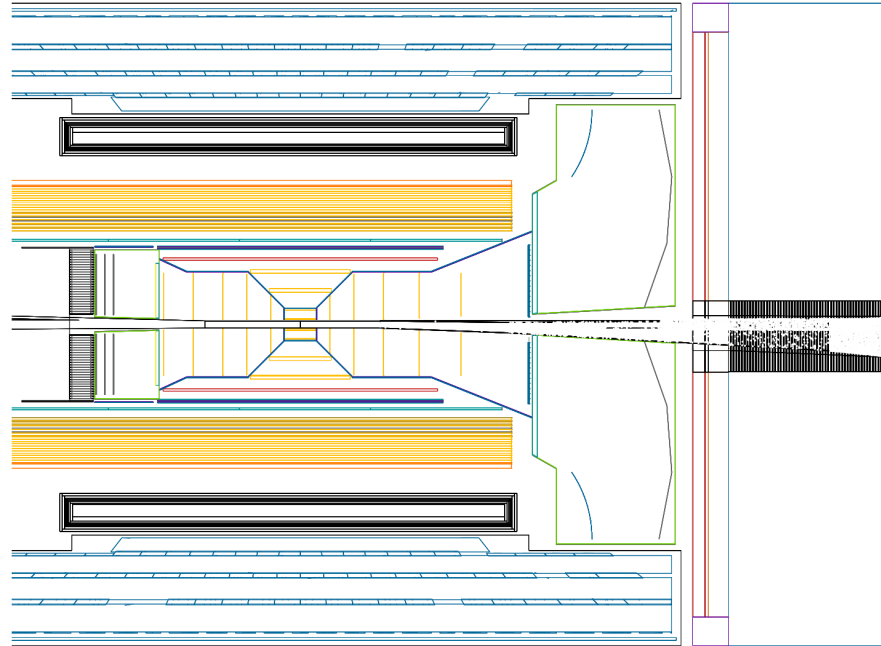
Single particles of  $e^-$  and  $\pi^-$

Momenta around 1 GeV/c and 2 GeV/c

Polar angle from 75 to 105 degree

Two-step e/pi separation

- E/p cut
- ML classification

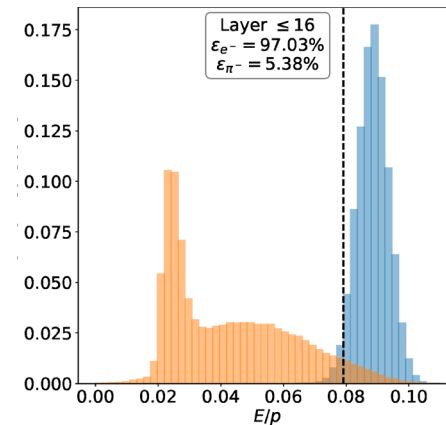
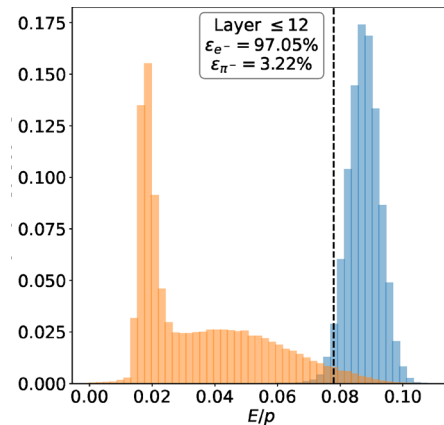
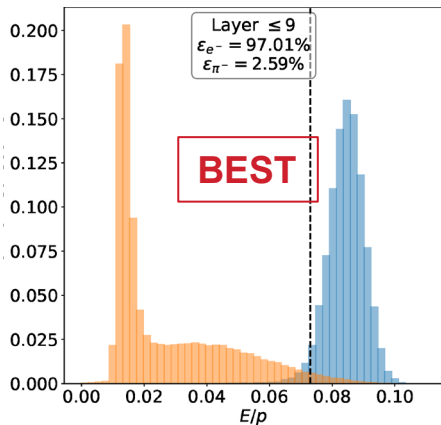
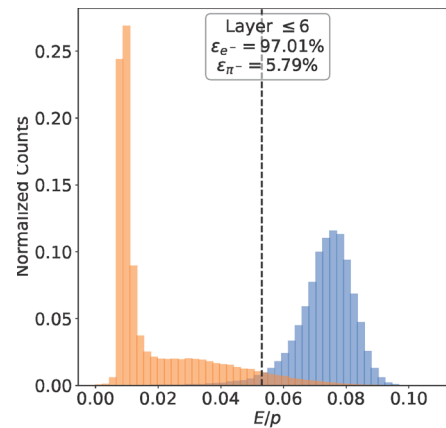
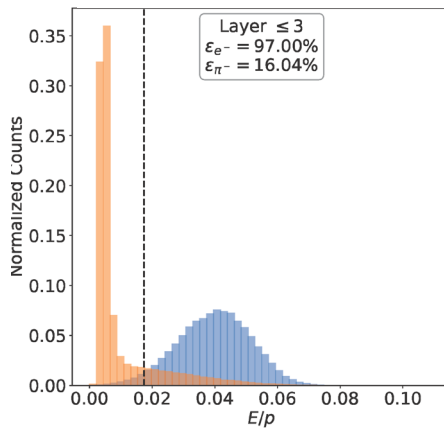
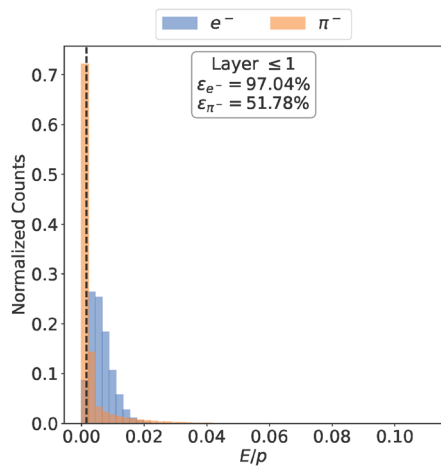


**Benchmark code available at:**

[https://eicweb.phy.anl.gov/EIC/benchmarks/reconstruction\\_benchmarks/-/tree/master/benchmarks/imaging\\_shower\\_ML](https://eicweb.phy.anl.gov/EIC/benchmarks/reconstruction_benchmarks/-/tree/master/benchmarks/imaging_shower_ML)

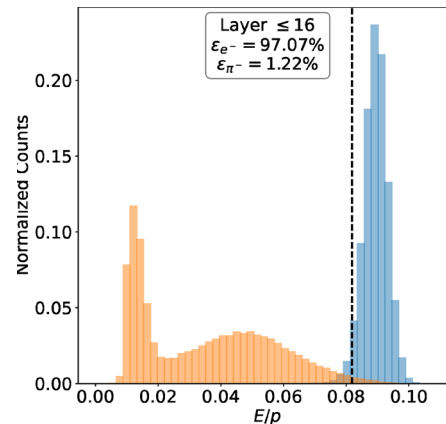
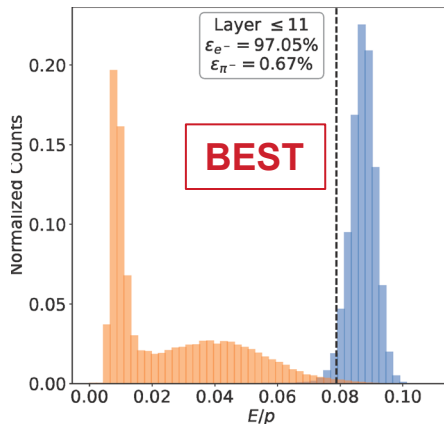
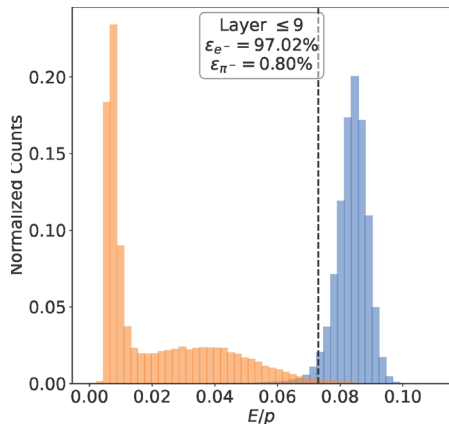
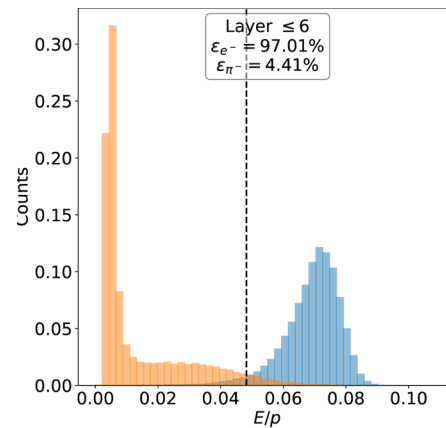
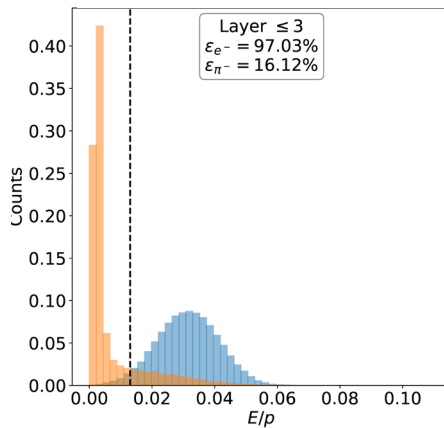
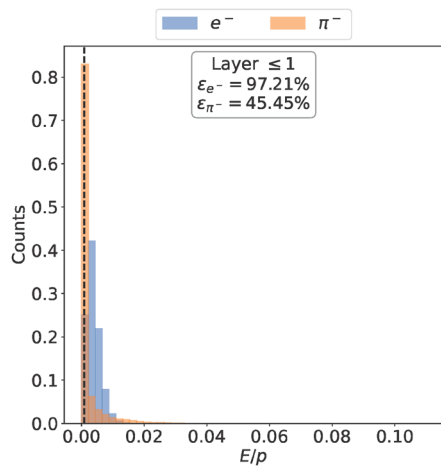
# E/p Distributions

Particles with  $p = 0.8 - 1.2$  GeV/c, E/p cut at  $\epsilon_e \geq 0.97$   
 E is the sum of hits energy; p is truth momentum smeared by 0.5%



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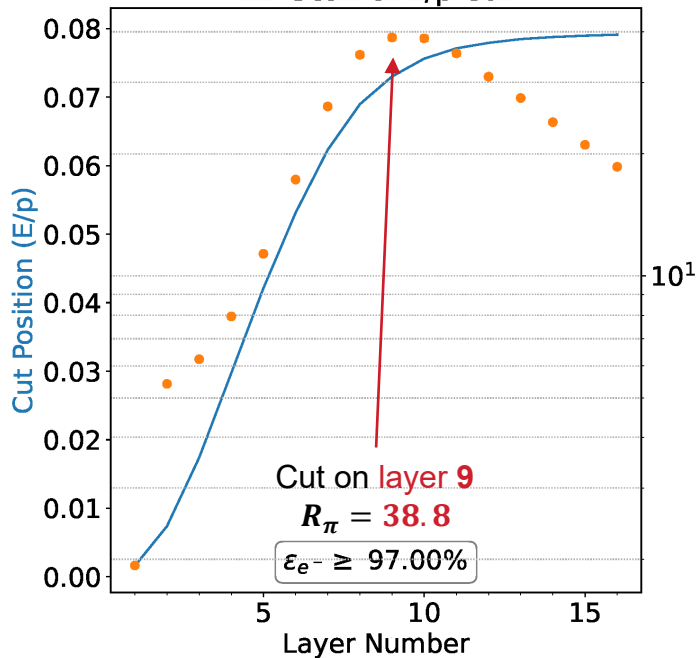
Particles with  $p = 1.5 - 2.5$  GeV/c, E/p cut at  $\epsilon_e \geq 0.97$   
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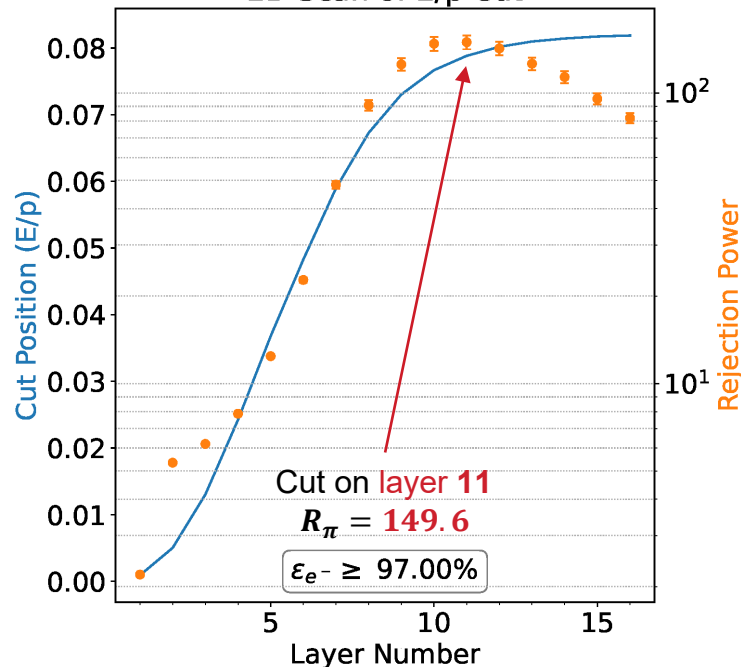
# 2D E/p Cut

- Scan of the best cut over E/p and layer

0.8 – 1.2 GeV/c 2D Scan of E/p Cut



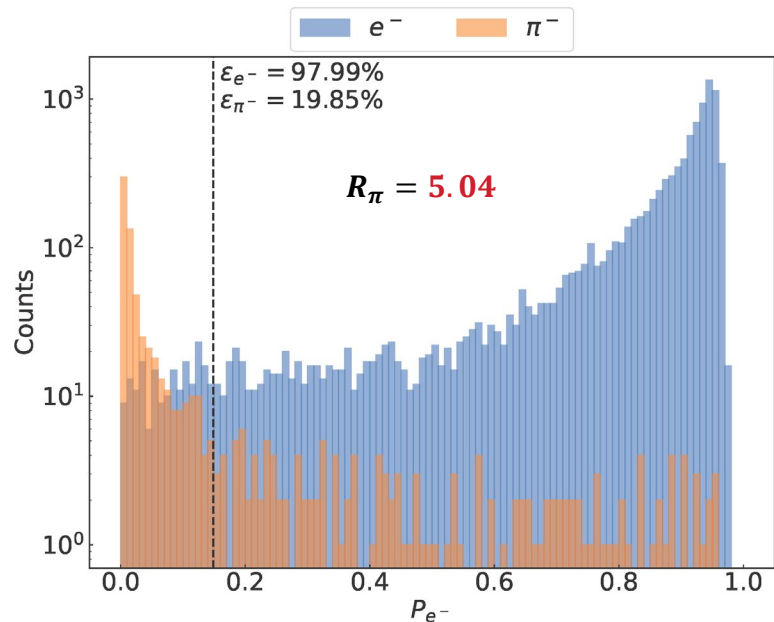
1.5 – 2.5 GeV/c 2D Scan of E/p Cut



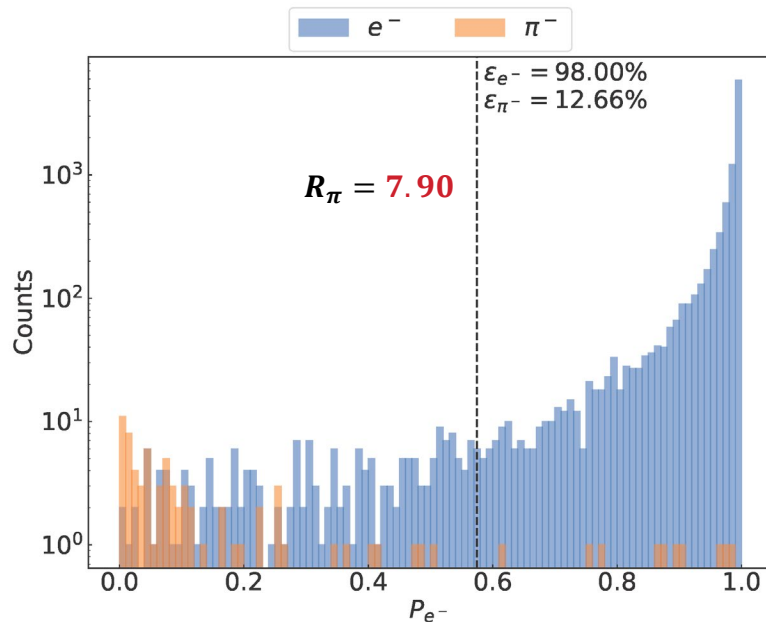
# ML Classification

- ML model trained with samples after the best E/p cut

0.8 – 1.2 GeV/c



1.5 – 2.5 GeV/c



# Two-step Separation

EPIC Results (materials & fields in Bryce Canyon + cladding + eff. > 95%)

P (GeV/c)	E/p Cut		ML Classification		Combined	
	efficiency	rejection	efficiency	rejection	efficiency	rejection
0.8-1.2	97.01%	38.75	97.99%	5.04	95.06%	195.28
1.5-2.5	97.05%	149.59	98.00%	7.90	95.11%	1181.78

A factor of 2-3 improvement from ATHENA for eff. > 95%

Previous ATHENA Results (materials & fields + eff. > 95%)

6 layers (maintaining 95%+ eff.)

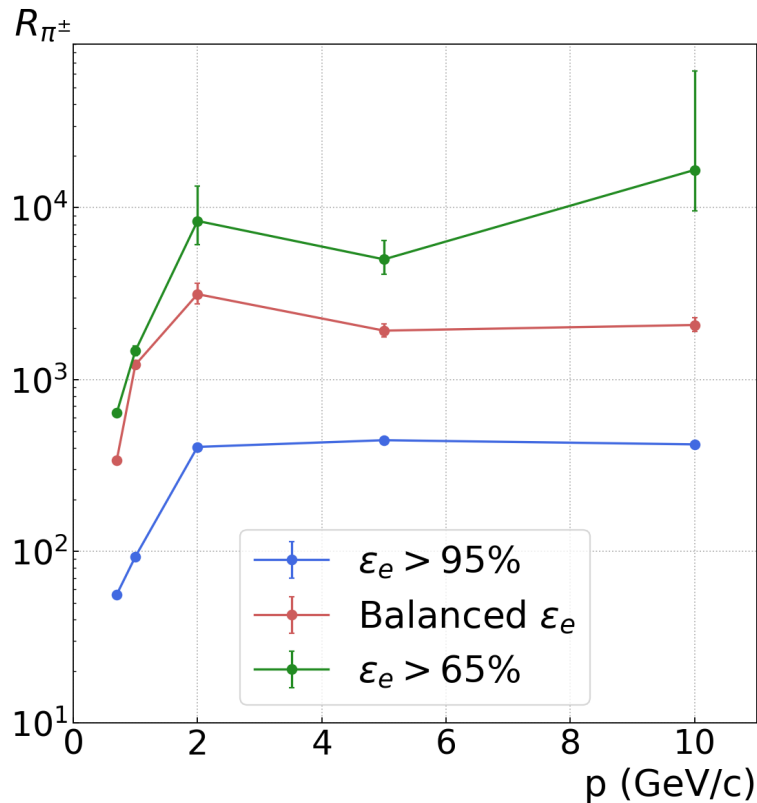
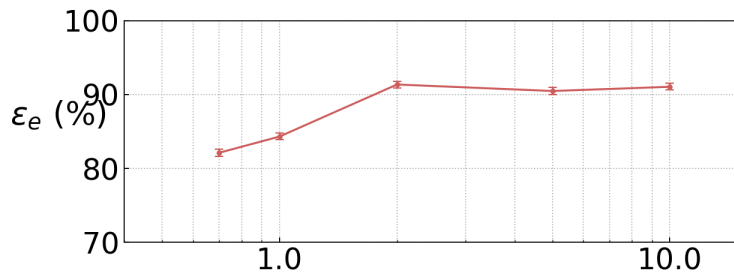
p (GeV)	Edep/p cut			ML			Combined	
	Cut	e Eff.	pion Rej.	e:pion Weighting	e Eff.	pion Rej.	e Eff.	pion Rej.
0.7	> 0.04 @ 7X <sub>0</sub>	97.53%	1.98	1:2	97.53%	28.50	95.12%	56
1	> 0.065 @ 7X <sub>0</sub>	96.40%	12.75	1:2	98.57%	7.28	95.02%	93
2	> 0.085 @ 12X <sub>0</sub>	95.50%	68.86	1:2	99.57%	5.89	95.09%	405
5	> 0.090 @ 12X <sub>0</sub>	95.25%	137.49	1:1	99.73%	3.22	95.00%	443
10	> 0.091 @ 12X <sub>0</sub>	95.11%	168.87	1:1	99.94%	2.48	95.05%	419

# Trade-off for Rejection Power

## Previous ATHENA Results

Trade efficiency for rejection power

- Achieved  $R > 1000$  at  $P > 1$  GeV/c with **84% - 92%** efficiency
- Similar study for EPIC is ongoing





# Summary

Two-steps discrimination of  $e/\pi$  is studied for imaging calorimeter at EPIC Bryce canyon configuration

- Added cladding to fibers (lower sampling fraction from about 12% to 9.3%)

Results for eff. > 95% is better than what we observed before for ATHENA

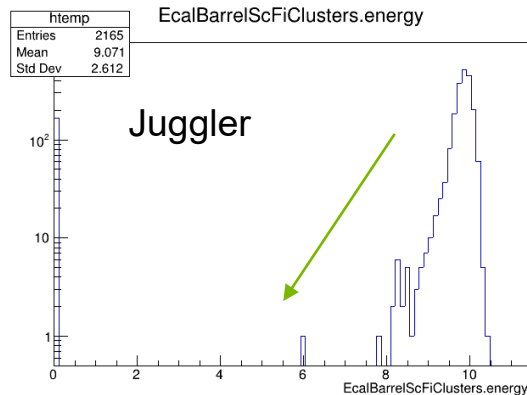
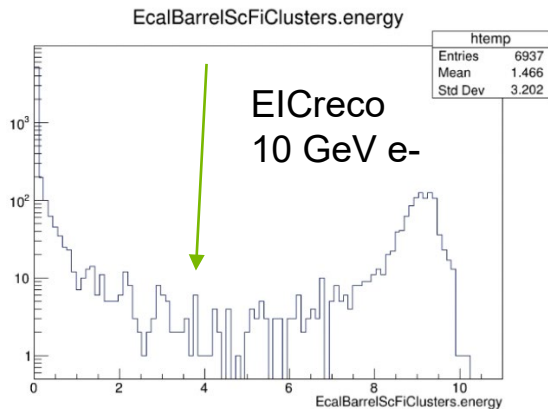
- Probably due to less materials and weaker fields (easier to achieve higher efficiency)

More studies are ongoing

- Trade-off of efficiency for rejection power
- More momentum points
- Benchmark with simulation campaign data (no cladding)

# Imaging calorimetry reconstruction - EICreco production

- **Issue with wrong reconstructed hit energy from AstroPix layers solved (yay!)**
  - Problem: the dynamic range units were not passed to the reco algorithm (assumed GeV, should have been MeV)
- **Issue with topological clusters from imaging layers**
  - Issue is being worked on, clusters are reconstructed, but found that the min cluster energy was not adjusted (this has to be corrected): <https://github.com/eic/EICreco/issues/351>
- **Open issue: Example SciFi Cluster energy plots from EICreco show much more low-energy outliers:**



Cluster thresholds quite low (for both reconstructions):

minClusterHitEdep: 1.0\*MeV  
minClusterCenterEdep: 10.0\*MeV