

## ePIC TOF Endcap Mechanics on the PED request from 10/22

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# Project Engineering Design Resource Request

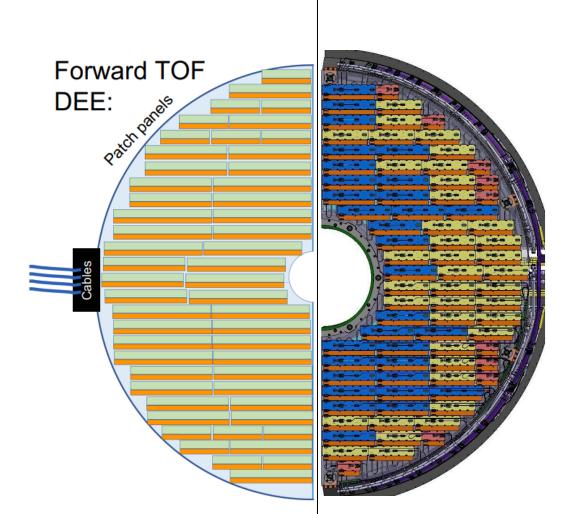
- ePIC TOF PED request submitted in October '22
  - ORNL: Endcap mechanics + cooling
  - Purdue + NCKU: Barrel mechanics

- No feedback received
  - No significant design progress: lack of funding



# ORNL: TOF Endcap Mechanical Engineering EPIC TOF

- TOF endcap needs preliminary engineering design for TDR/CD2
- ORNL has available engineers to for TOF endcap mechanics
  - Estimated ~0.2FTE funded effort
- Plan based on initial engineering estimates:
  - 2x 1mm Al plates + cooling pipes + services
  - 8%  $X_0$  overall

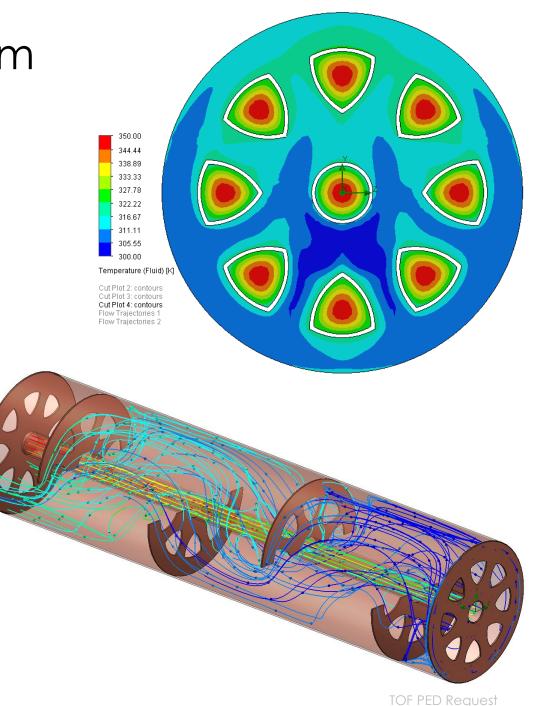




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# **ORNL: TOF Endcap Cooling System**

- TOF endcap heat dissipation has been discussed frequently
  - Project agreed that the issue needs to be studied by engineers in simulations
- ORNL engineers have the expertise and tools
  - Estimate ~0.15FTE funded effort



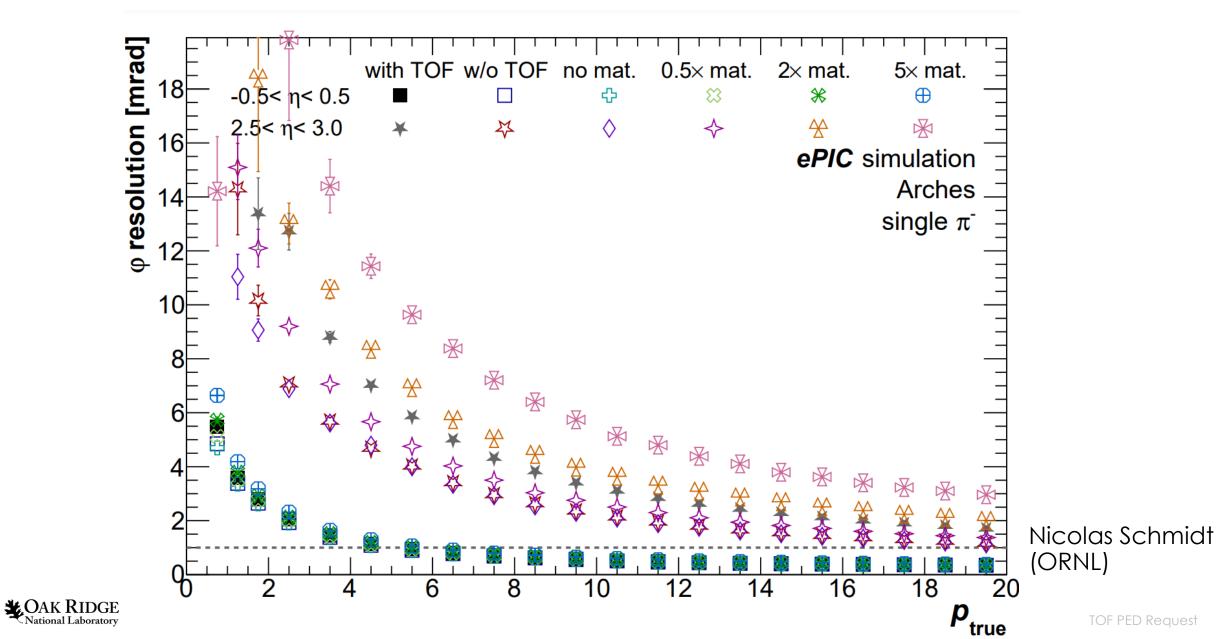


## In the Meantime ...

- ORNL simulations: 8% X<sub>0</sub> in TOF endcap has impact on angular track resolution on Cherenkov detector surfaces
  - ORNL engineers are not accustomed to cutting-edge low mass designs, limited expertise in composite materials
- ORNL RNP group now has less available cycles to contribute to TOF mechanics than anticipated 6 months ago
  - Detector engineering needs scientist support to be
- CMS-ETL mechanical engineers realize now that their Aluminium design has significant challenges...



## Tracking Angular Resolution Simulation Study



### Summary

- ORNL can provide engineering for the EPIC TOF endcap...
  - ... realistically limited to a "conservative" Aluminium design
  - ... with limited availability of in-kind scientist contributions
- A super lightweight composite endcap would improve the performance of the Cherenkov detectors
  - Purdue/NCKU have demonstrated experience and expertise in such constructions
  - Building TOF barrel and endcap from the same material, designed in one hand will improve overhead ratio and **cost effectiveness**
- ORNL is fully committed to TOF within our core fields of expertise (Mathieu Benoit, Ken Read, Jo Schambach, Nicolas Schmidt, OH):
  - TOF flex R&D (eRD109) in strong synergy with ITS3 and LFHCAL
  - Simulation and reconstruction studies
  - Readout electronics, sensor/module characterization, precision timing distribution

