# eRD102: dRICH

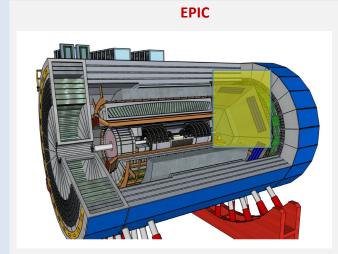
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# dRICH Collaboration

# Compact cost-effective solution for particle identification in the high-energy endcap at EIC

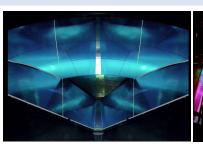






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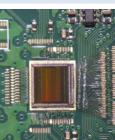
CLAS12 RICH COMPASS RICH ALICE HMPID DARKSIDE ALCOR











# dRICH Organization



### dRICH Recent Events

March: dRICH Sub-system Collaborations (DSC)

May: dRICH Office

(Contact persons of the dRICH developing programs)

July: EIC Particle-Identification Detector Review

September: dRICH test-beam (optics with reference detector)

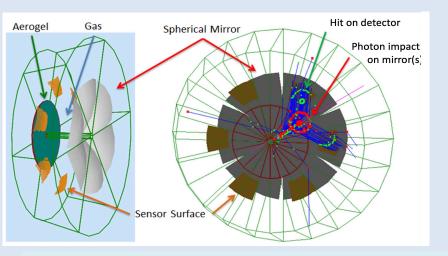
**EIC SiPM Review** (long lead procurement)

October: dRICH test-beam (EIC-driven photo detector SiPM-ALCOR)

# dRICH Baseline Design

Main features

cover wide momentum range 3 - 50 GeV/c work in high (~ 1T) magnetic field fit in a quite limited (for a gas RICH) space

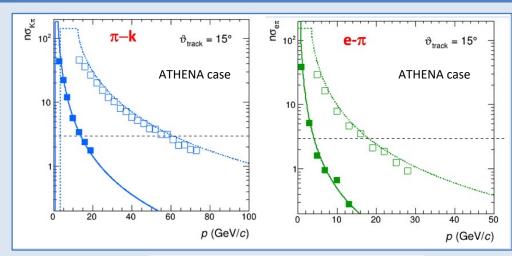


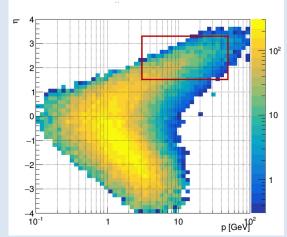
dRICH: cost-effective compact solution

Radiators: Aerogel ( $n_{AERO}$ ~1.02) + Gas ( $n_{C2F6}$ ~1.0008)

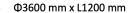
Detector:  $0.5 \text{ m}^2/\text{sector}$ ,  $3x3 \text{ mm}^2 \text{ pixel } \rightarrow \text{SiPM option}$ 

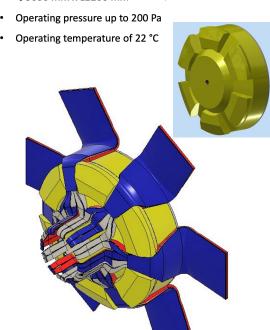
Essential for semi-inclusive physics due to absence of kinematics constraints at event-level

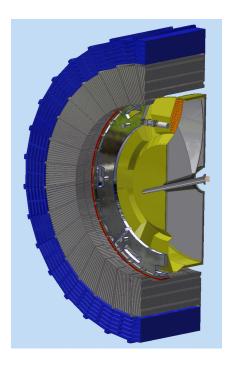


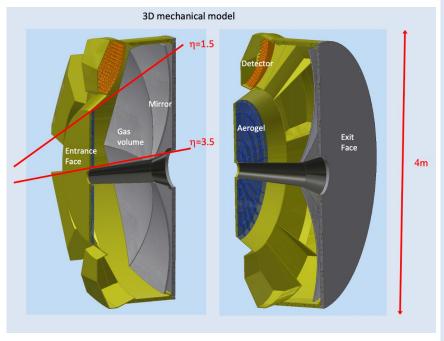


# dRICH Vessel







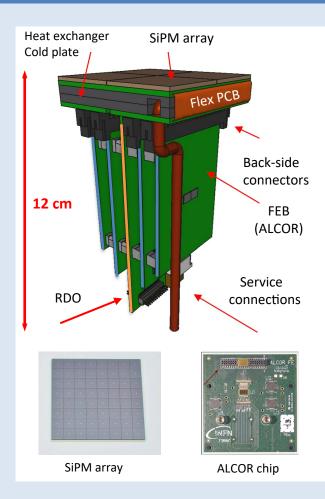


Acceptance: defined by pipe and barrel ecal

**Shell:** composite materials

Interferences: alternate routing with respect the inner detectors
material budget concentrated beheind the barrel ecal and its support ring
readout electronics design in order to minimize the detector box volume

### dRICH Photo-Detector



#### **Photon Detector Unit (PDU):**

Compact to minimize space

- 4x Hamamatsu S13361-3050HS SiPM arrays
- 4x Front-End Boards (FEB)
  - 4x ALCOR chip (ToT discrimination)
  - 4 x Annealing Circuitry
- 1x Read-Out Board (RDO)
  - 1x Cooling plate (< -30 C)

Active area is shaped to resemble the focal surface and best exploits the focalization

#### **Detector box:**

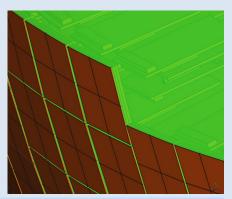
Shaped to fit the space

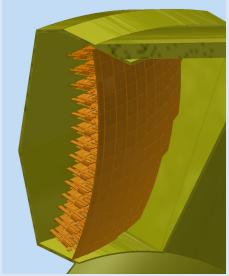
Quartz window

Cooling for sensors and electronics

Power distributing patch panel

Heat insulation



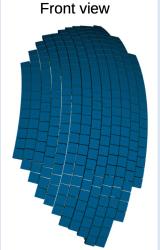


# dRICH Simulation: Sensor Model

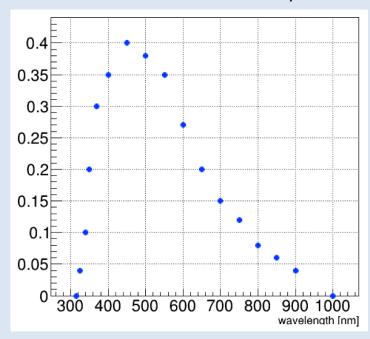


### Realistic description accounting for material budget





# Photon detection efficiency



x 0.7 global efficiency factor

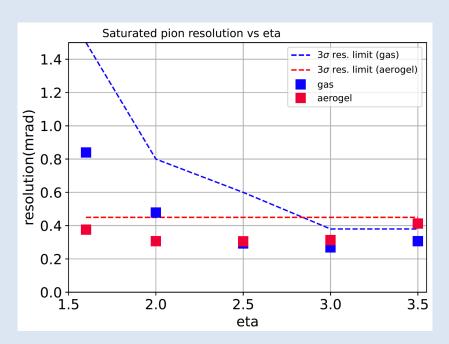
# dRICH Simulation: Resolution

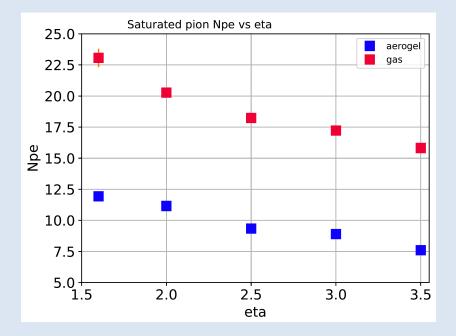
Preliminary optimization of the dRICH optics inside EPIC

Magnetic field and track resolution accounted for, results averaged over azimuthal angle (φ)

With single mirror, best focalization in the most demandig 2.5-3.5 pseudo-rapidity range to get ~ 0.3 mrad resolution

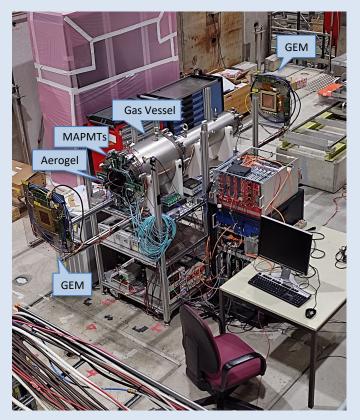
 $> 3\sigma$  separation in the wanted momentum range (i.e. at maximum momentum)

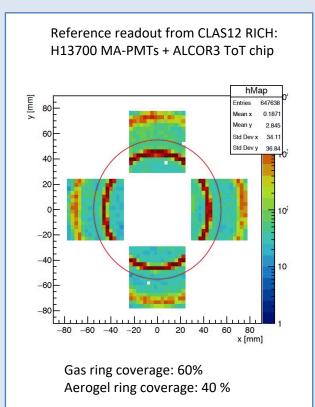


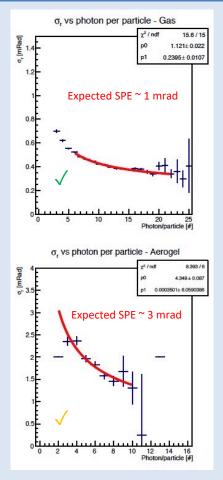


# Achieved in 2023: Prototype

Operative prototype commissioned. Double ring imaging achieved. Performance in line with expectations except for aerogel single-photon angular resolution (worse by a factor  $\sim 1.5$ )







Optics at variance with respect EIC

# dRICH Simulation: Aerogel Model

Comparison DATA vs MC model

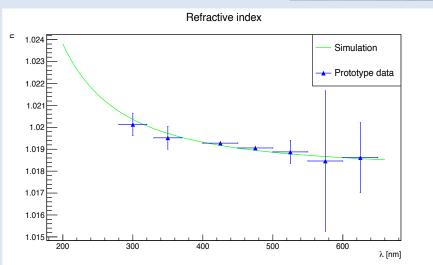
DATA: Aerogel Factory samples

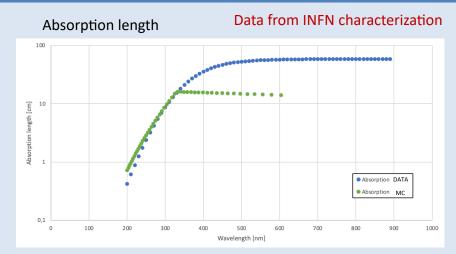
MC: EPIC parameterization

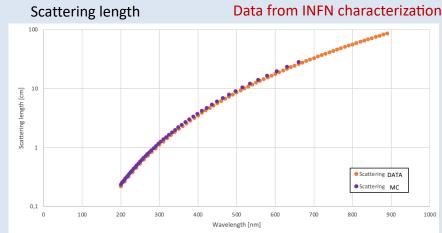
Chromatic dispersion (major expected contribution to resolution)



### Data from dRICH prototype





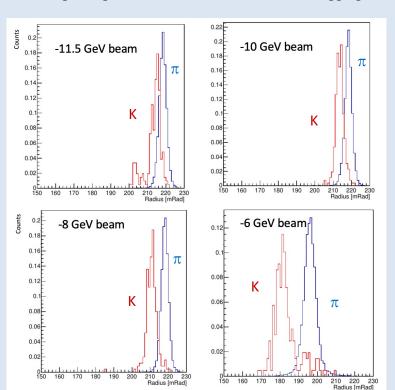


Kaon-Pion separation

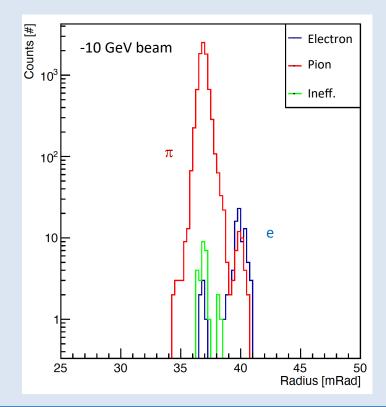
# **Online Analysis**

**Electron-Pion separation** 

Aerogel ring n=1.026 with beam Cherenkov tagging



Gas ring with beam Cherenkov tagging

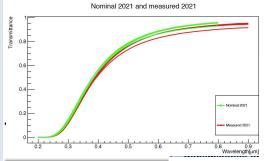


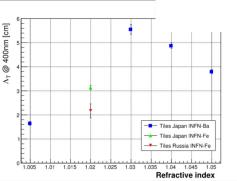
# **Aerogel Radiator**

#### Aerogel Factory (BELLE-II)

Initial evaluation & Reproducibility on small samples in sinergy with ALICE

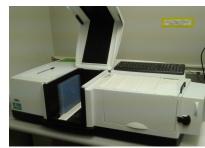
#### Transmittance & Transflectance

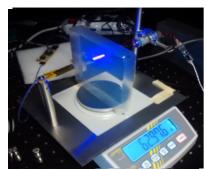




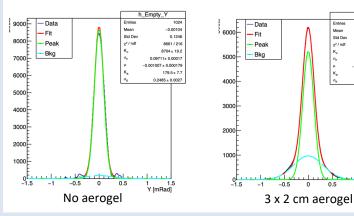
Density & refractive index

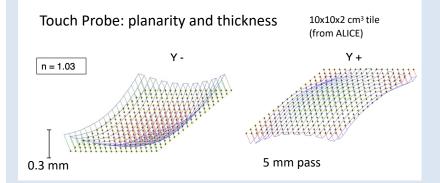






### Laser spot broadening: Y profile





Test-station under development @ Temple University

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# Mirrors

#### CMA Carbon fiber mirrors (HERMES, AMS, LHCb, CLAS12)

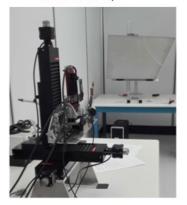
cost-effective light & stiff solution:

roughness driven by mandrel 1-2 nm rms

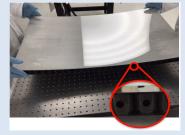
surface accuracy better than 0.2 mrad

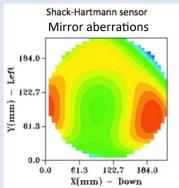
radius reproducibility better than 1 %

Surface Quality



QA laboratory being refurnished @ JLab being developed @ DUKE

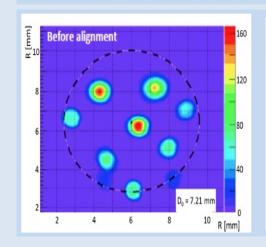


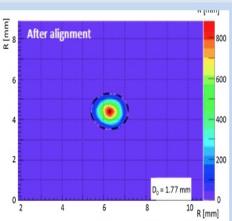






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### Photodetector

Realization of a suitable detector plane for the dRICH prototype (23/10): Design ready, procurement aligned to 2023 test-beam campaign.

Hamamatsu S13361-3050



8x8 array 50 μm cell Excellent fill factor Best DCR

S14160 alternative



MPPC arrays selected with irradiation campaign

Front-end re-design completed

ALCOR v2 (bwetter dynamic range and rate)

ToT architecture, streaming mode ready

- > 50 ps time bin
- > 500 kHz rate per channel
- cryogenic compatible

ALCOR chip



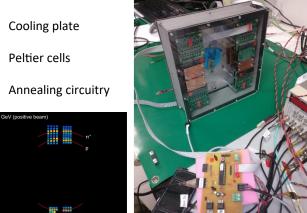
Multi-wafer run done

Version2: 32 channels Extended dynamic range Improved digital time

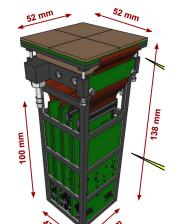
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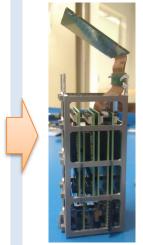
**Integrated Cooling/ In-situ annealing** 

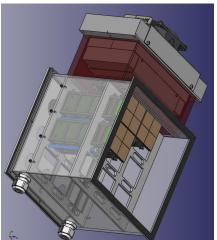






New EIC-driven readout unit



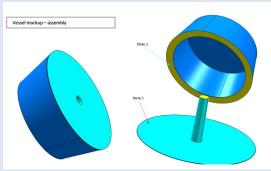


# Composite materials

**Carbon fiber 1:10 mockup** Approximate scale for laminate and honeycomb section (exit face)

Gas tightness

Pressurized RICH







Demonstrator realized by Advanced Composite Soliutions, Tortoreto (TE)

Preliminary test @ ACS done in water with +50 mbar air over-pressure ✓

New tests @ LNS: pressurized helium (up to 2 bar) and leak check station

To be done: Study deformations with over-pressure for modeling

Air & Argon long-term tightness tests (pressure staibility)

Detailed FEM analysis: Contacts with Pardue University, US



#### PID Review

July 5-6, 2023

**SiPM** 

Window

- To reduce dark current, heavy annealing is planned. It is required to check that the charge collection efficiency is not reduced due to over-annealing. The reviewers understand that this is part of the ongoing R&D campaign and that encouraging first results have been obtained.
- We advise exploring the operation of SiPMs at a lower temperature (for example -40C) to guarantee a low level of DCR.
- The online annealing procedure requires forward biasing of the sensors creating local heat generation and large current flows close to the front-end electronics.
   Precautions will have to be taken to avoid damage to the ASIC. It was understood that this is a part of the R&D effort, for example, through the use of MOSFETs to protect the readout.
- For online self-annealing, all materials, including glue, PCB, etc., have to be checked to see if these are tolerant to the high temperature and if the thermal cycling does not affect the components due to CTE mismatch.
- The quartz window to separate the photodetector box from the gas radiator was identified as a point of attention. A thermal simulation is required with the SiPM array at the foreseen operating temperature of -30 C and the approach to avoid condensation or convection of the C2F6 gas radiator should be described. The reviewers fully recognize the importance of the foreseen small-scale system tests in the SPS test-beam facility later this year.
- It would be good to evaluate the effect of the different photon angles of incidence on the quartz window across the detector plane on the number of detected photons and Cherenkov-angle resolution.

# 2024 R&D Activity towards TDR

Optimization of optical quality vs refractive index

(to match the gas radiator and support pattern recognition)

Development of large area shaped tiles

(to minimize edge effects towards real experiment)

**Gas:** Real-time measurement of gas refractive index

(to monitor quality and stability)

**SiPM:** Engineering of SiPM for radiation tolerance and production process

(to cope with the EIC radiation environment and temperature treatments)

Develop the 64-channel version of the ALCOR chip

Readout: Complete an EIC driven readout chain

Aerogel:

(to fulfill ePIC specifications in space, power, temperature treatments, DAQ)

Mirror: Define mirror substrate (skins+core) in composite materials

**Study structure with composite materials** 

(to minimize material budget into the acceptance)

Mechanics: Study thermal gradients and optical septa

Study assembling of component demonstrators

**Risk mitigation:** Progress in the pressurized RICH study

EIC Project

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Generic R&D

# 2024 R&D Activity: Prototype

# **Strategy:**

Secure a solution for the baseline dRICH configuration ( $C_2F_6$ ) assumed in the current EIC Project planning (as due by end of 2024 for CD3)

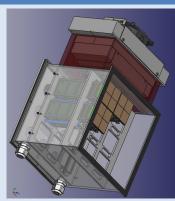
# **Program:**

Complete the detector box

- validate cooling and low-T working point
- test in-situ annealing protocols
- imaging (complete ring coverage at least for gas)

Study tremperature gradients and quartz septa performance

- study thermal insulation and gradients



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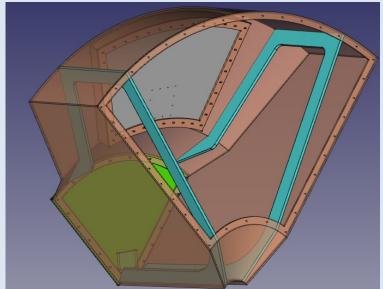
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### **Program:**

Move to a real scale prototype (portion of dRICH) to study

- mechanical properties of a realistic composite structure
- assembling and gas/light tightness
- optical septa and thermal model
- support of component demonstrators (aerogel, mirrors)
- evolving detector boxes (reference, EIC-driven ... full-scale)
- realistic off-axis optics





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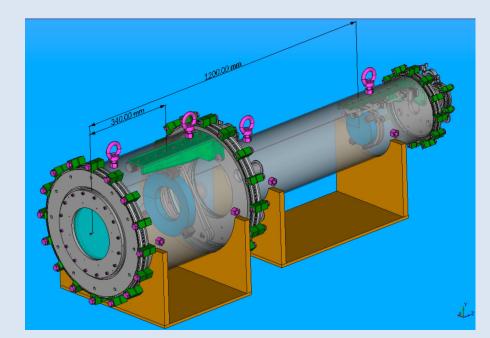
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### Program:

Test alternative gas mixtures as risk mitigation

- adapt existing dRICH prototype
- compare gases at same conditions



### Milestones

### **FY23**:

Initial characterization of realistic aerogel and mirror components (23/04);

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Projected performance of the baseline detector as integrated into EPIC (23/06);

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- Assessment of the dRICH prototype performance with the EIC-driven detection plane (23/10).

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#### FY24:

Preliminary definition of the technical specifications of all the dRICH components (24/04\*);

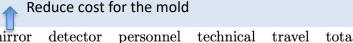
Complete mechanical design of the dRICH structure (24/06\*);

Integration of the readout and optical component developments in a real-scale prototype (24/10\*).

\*The estimated timeline is assumed to concatenate with the FY23 activity plan and milestones approved within the SOWs, and is subject to funds availability.

# Longer term

FY25:



	prototype	radiators	mirror	detector	personnel	technical	travel	total
FY25	20		20	20	60		10	130
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Resilience to thermal treatments and insulation

**Generic R&D:** 

A generic R&D program is proposed to mitigate the risk associated with the long-term usage of fluorocarbon gasses in ring-imaging Cherenkov detectors

### Pressurized RICH

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Project Members:

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INFN Laboratori del Sud (contact: F. Noto)

INFN Trieste and University of Trieste (contact: S. Dalla Torre)

3 years program:

study of over-pressure capability of composite material tests of the stability of aerogel under a pressurized inert atmosphere assessment of pressurized Argon performance with an upgraded dRICH prototype