

ePIC us. sPHENIX SiPM Comparison

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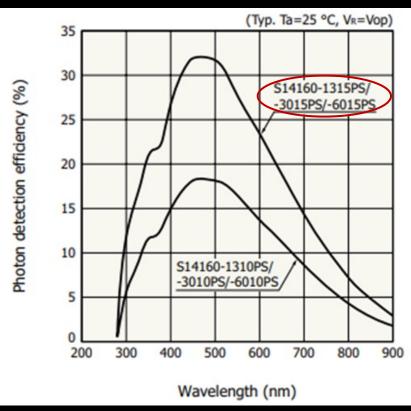
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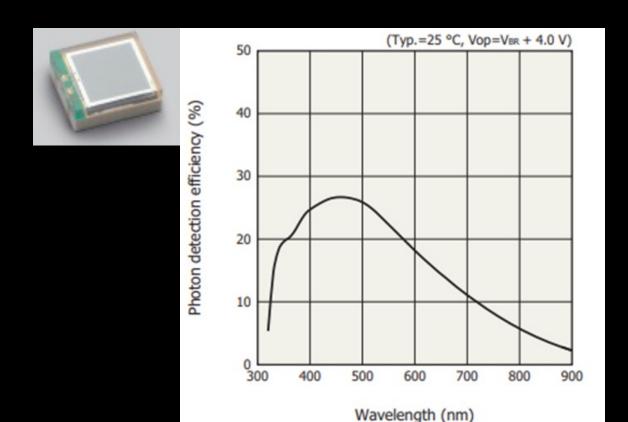
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ePIC Hamamatsu S14160-3015PS

sPHENIX Hamamatsu S12572-33-015P







New Model

Breakdown Voltage: 38 ± 3V

Peak Sensitivity Wavelength: 460nm

Gain: 3.6×10⁵

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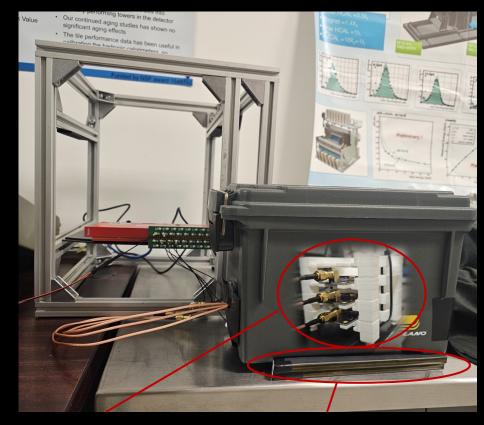
Breakdown Voltage: 65 ± 10V

Peak Sensitivity Wavelength: 460nm

Gain: 2.3×10³

ePIC Test Bench

Breakdown Voltage set to 41.6V

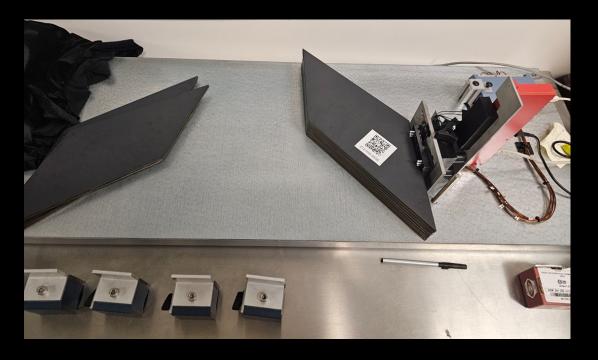


ePIC tiles

sPHENIX Z04 tiles

sPHENIX Test Bench

Breakdown Voltage set to 68V



ePIC test average run time: 3 – 4 hours

sPHENIX test run time: 30 minutes

Both tests are covered to ensure no light leaks

ePIC Tile test

3hrs at 41.6V (recommended voltage)

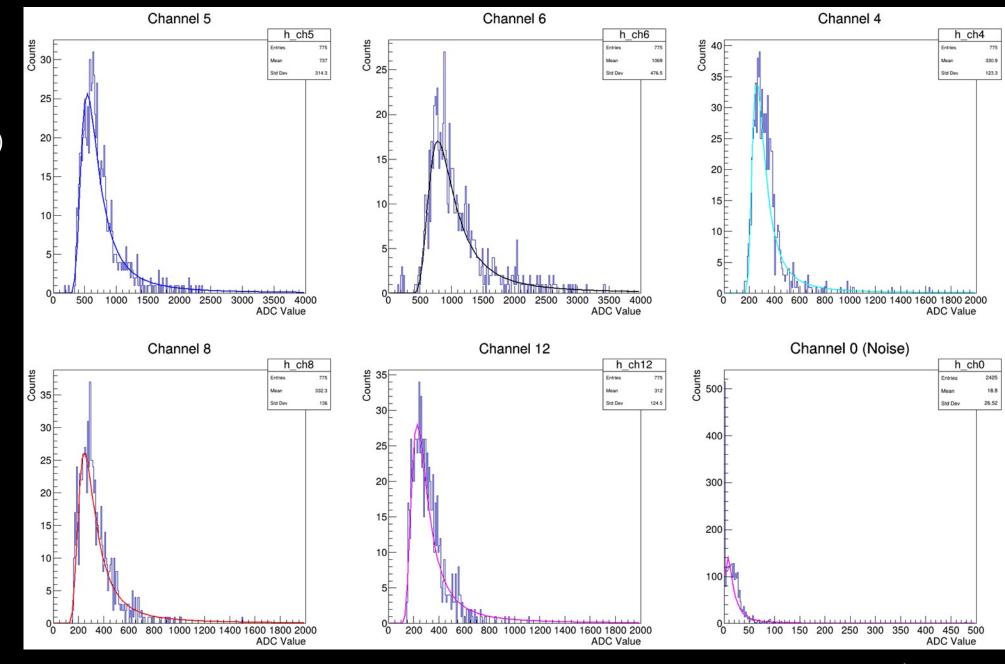
Events: 2445

ePIC Tiles: ch4, ch8,

ch12

sPHENIX Z04: ch5, ch6

ADC values below 150 have been cut.



ePIC vs. sPHENIX

sPHENIX tile test:

30min at 68V

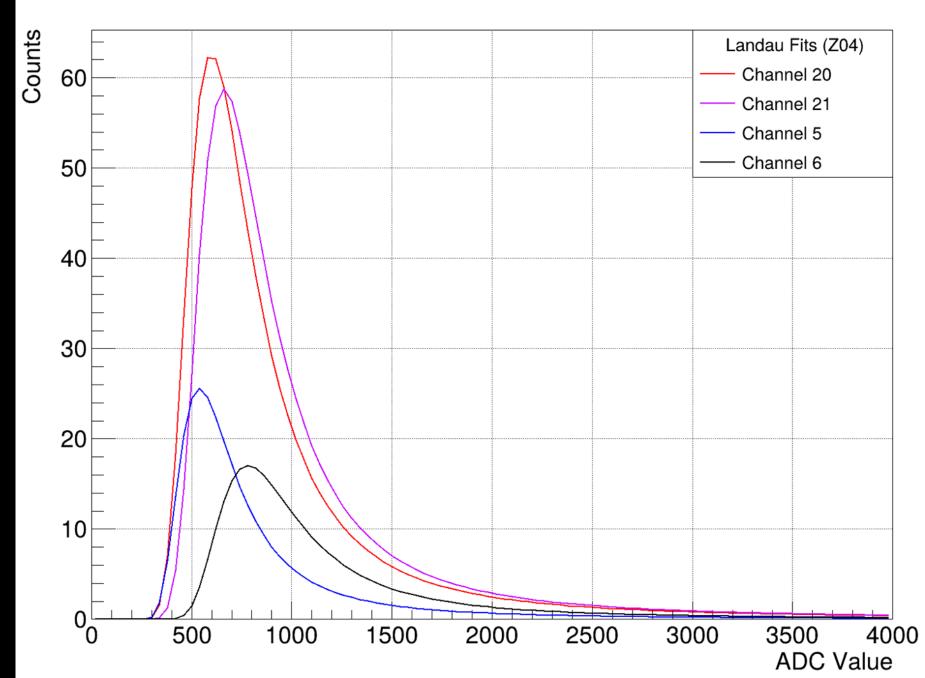
Events: 2406

sPHENIX test: ch20, ch21

ePIC test: ch5, ch6

The same two Z04 tiles used on each test bench

Overlay of Landau Fits (Z04)



Simultaneous Test

These tests were run simultaneously on both test benches

Different Z04 tiles are used for the comparison

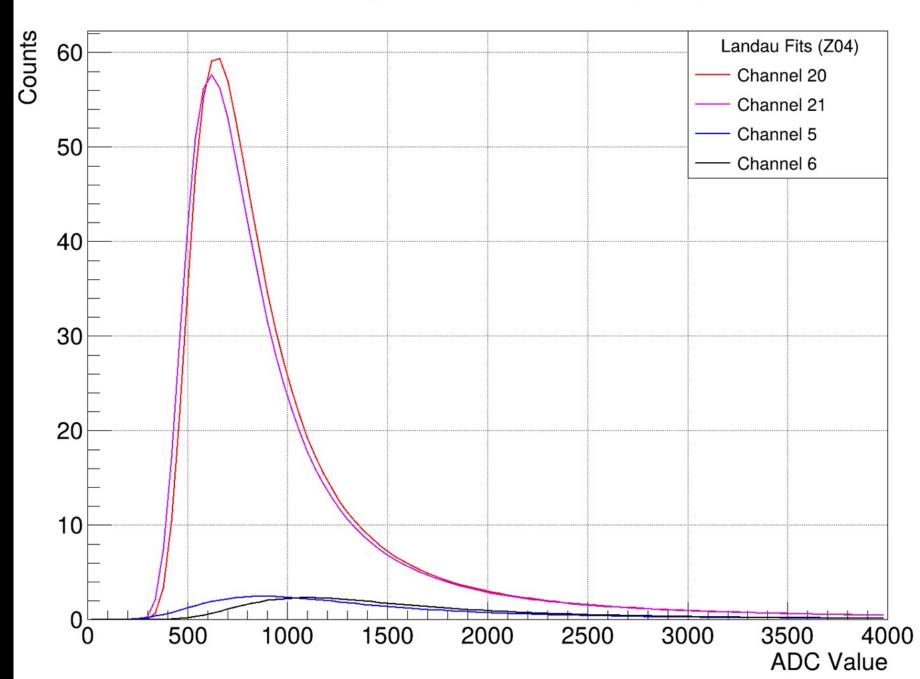
Tests were run for 30 minutes

sPHENIX test: ch20, ch21

ePIC test: ch5, ch6

This shows the large discrepancy in events for each test bench corresponding to each type of SiPM

Overlay of Landau Fits (Z04)



Summary

Despite the newer model SiPMs for ePIC having a higher photon detection efficiency at the same wavelength, they are showing drastically lower counts as compared to the sPHENIX SiPMs.

Could this be caused by different DAQ offsets?

Another test is planned to run by stacking the ePIC Z04 tiles with the sPHENIX tiles while still using different SiPMs. This is to ensure the same particles are passing through all tiles in both tests.