

Modular aerogel RICH (mRICH)

Goal:

- Compact PID device with momentum coverage up to 10 GeV/c for pi/K and e/pi up to 2 GeV/c.
- First aerogel RICH with lens-based focusing (for performance and cost)

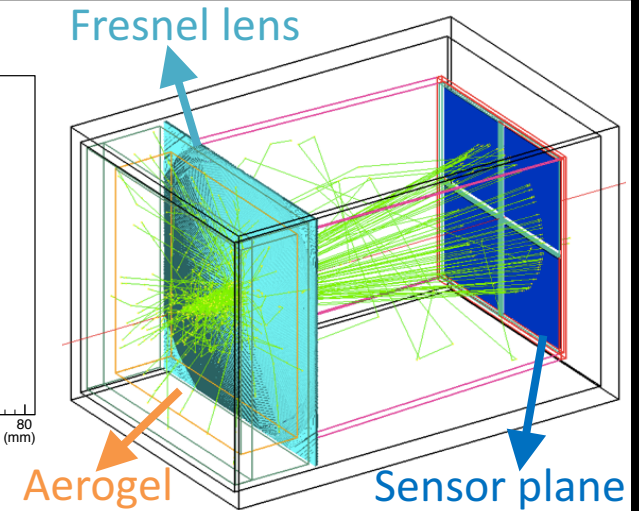
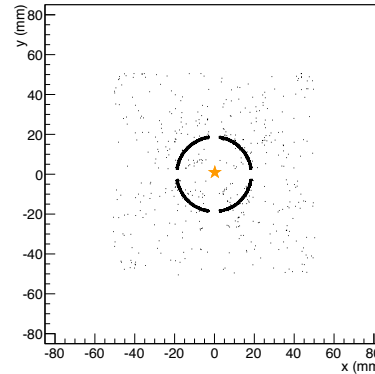
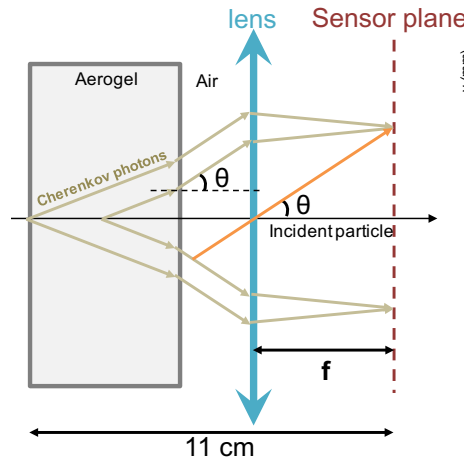
FY 19:

- Analyze the 2nd mRICH test beam data taken from June 25 to July 6, 2018.
- Publish the new results from this test and make plan for the 3rd beam test if it is necessary.
- Use the mRICH to develop an integrated readout electronics solution.
- Search for radiation hard materials for Fresnel lens.
- Optical characterization of Fresnel lens and aerogel.

mRICH – lens-based focusing aerogel detector design

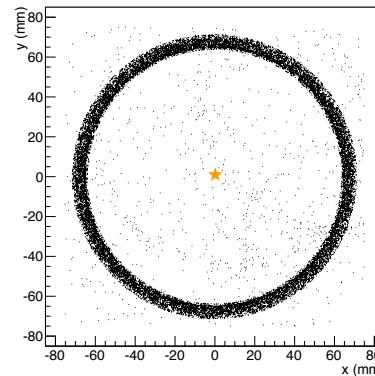
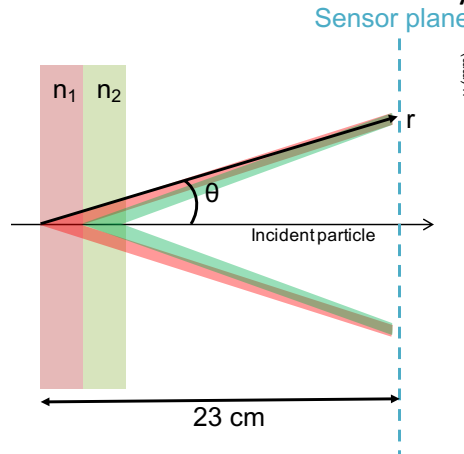
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Lens-Based mRICH Design



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Two-Layer Proximity Focusing Design (BELLE-2 ARICH)

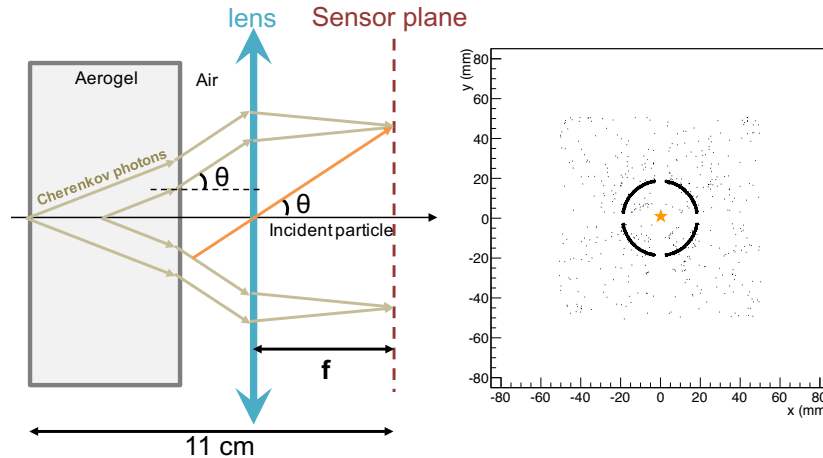


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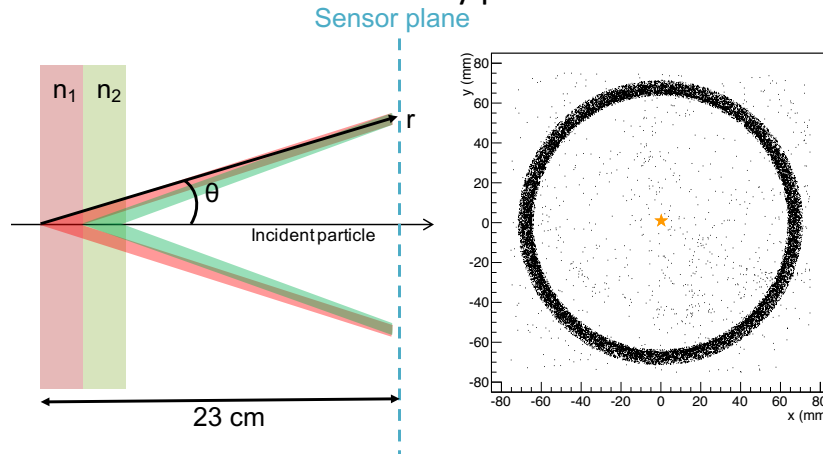
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- **Smaller and thinner** ring image

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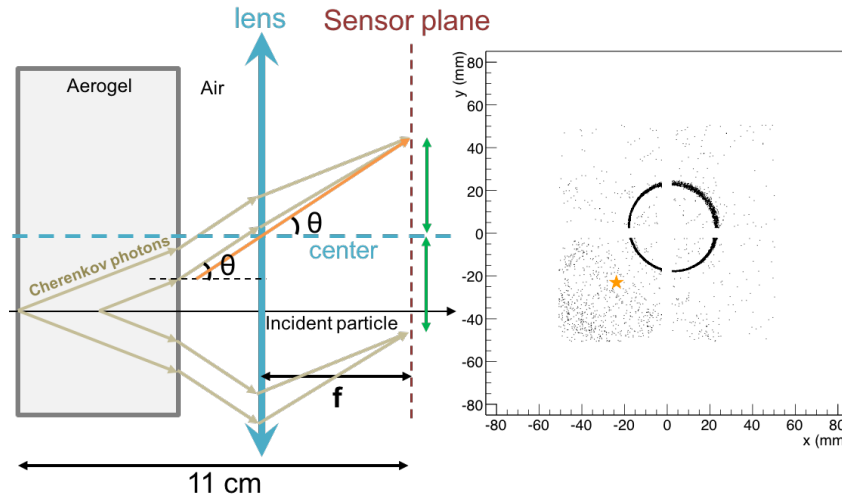


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mRICH – lens-based focusing shifts image to center

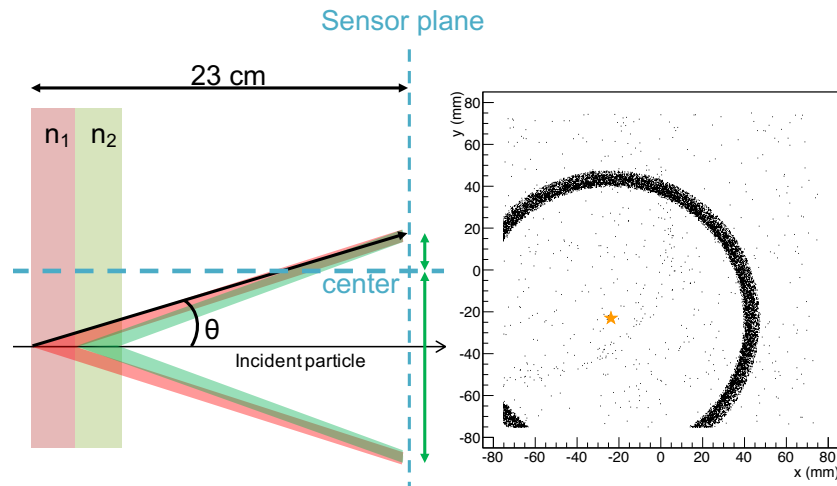
Ring centering of lens-based optics reduces sensor area (main cost driver)

Lens-Based mRICH Design



- 9 GeV/c pion beam incident at third quadrant (star) in simulation
- Ring image is **center** on the middle of the sensor plane

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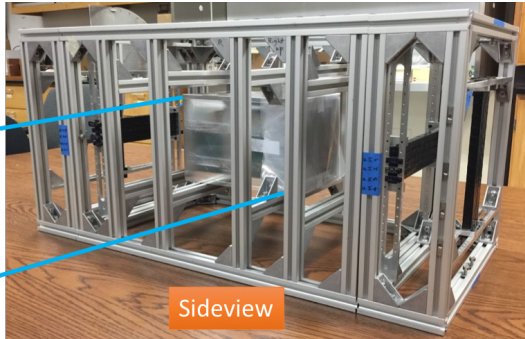
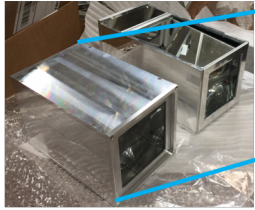


- 9 GeV/c pion beam incident at third quadrant (star) in simulation
- Ring is centered at point of incidence

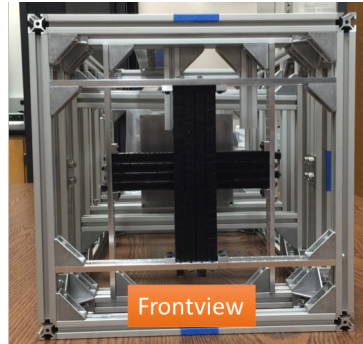
mRICH – FY18 progress (part one)

Another very successful mRICH prototype beam test at Fermilab (6/25 to 7/6/2018)

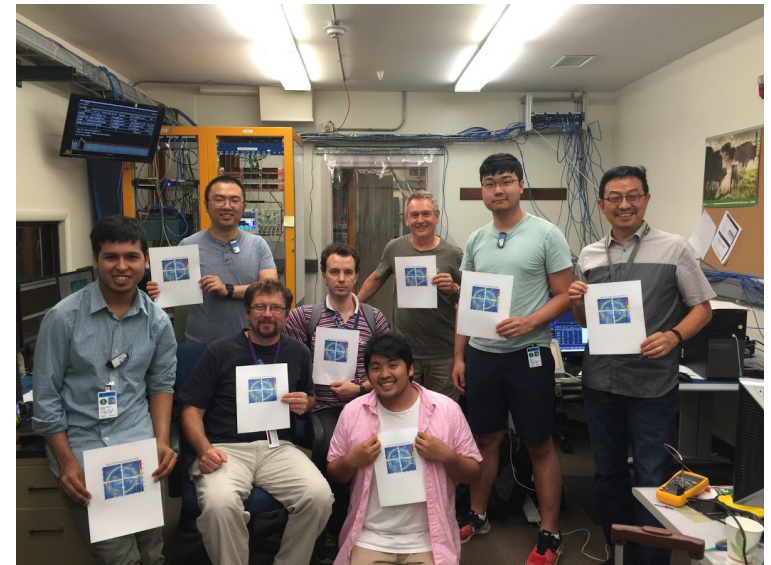
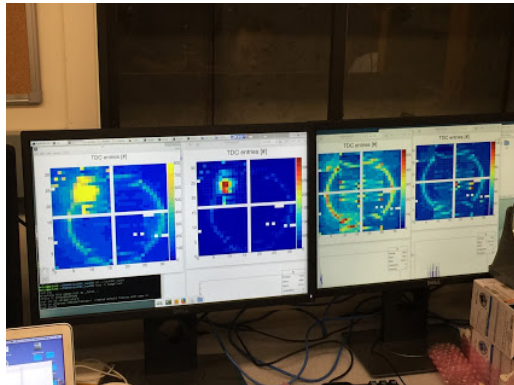
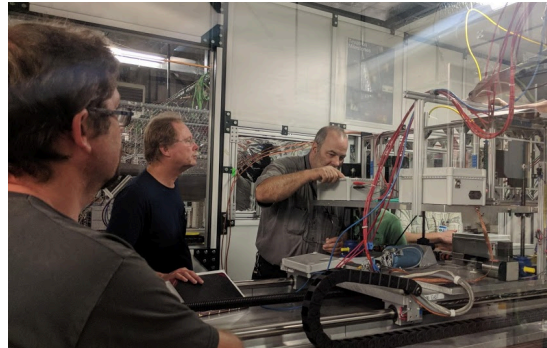
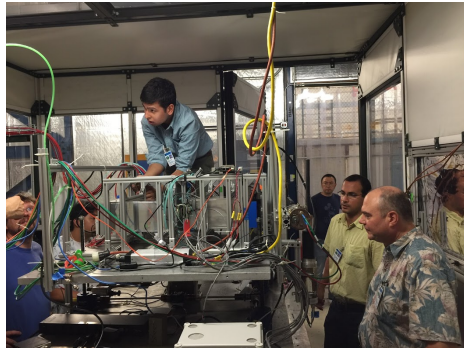
Two completed
mRICH prototypes



Sideview



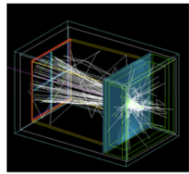
Frontview



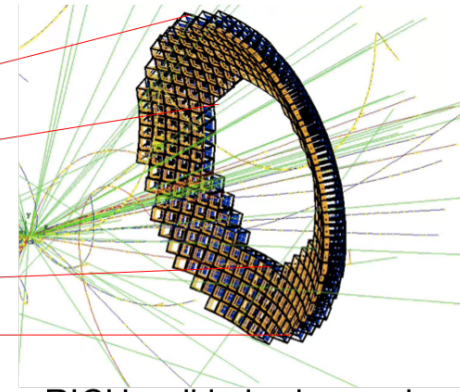
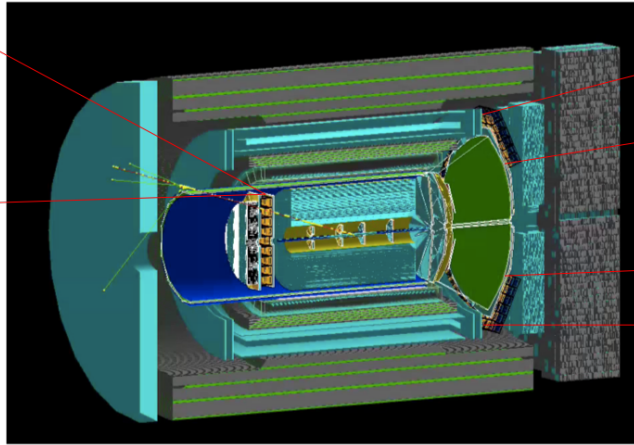
Group photo (missing two members)
– the first confirmed ring image

mRICH – FY18 progress (part two)

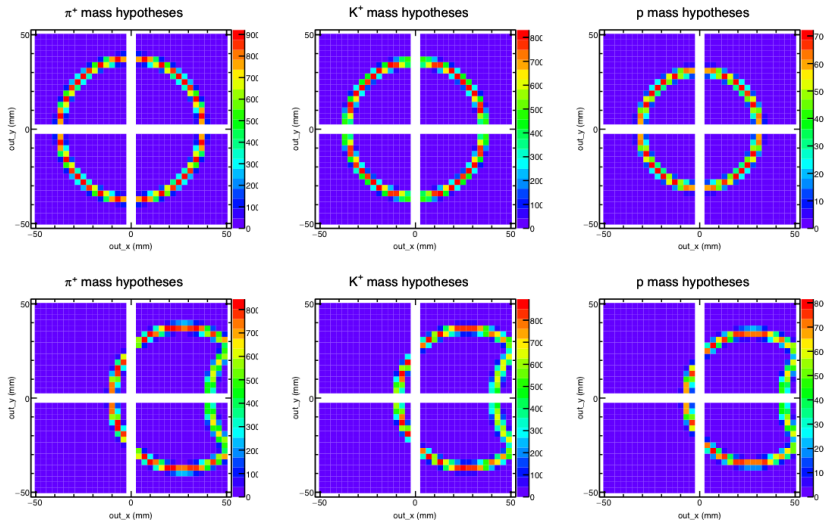
mRICH array implementation in Forward sPHENIX and JLab EIC detector concept in Geant4 simulation studies. Developed mRICH-based PID algorithms using a loglikelihood method.



mRICH wall
 e/π separation



mRICH wall in hadron-going
direction for hadron PID

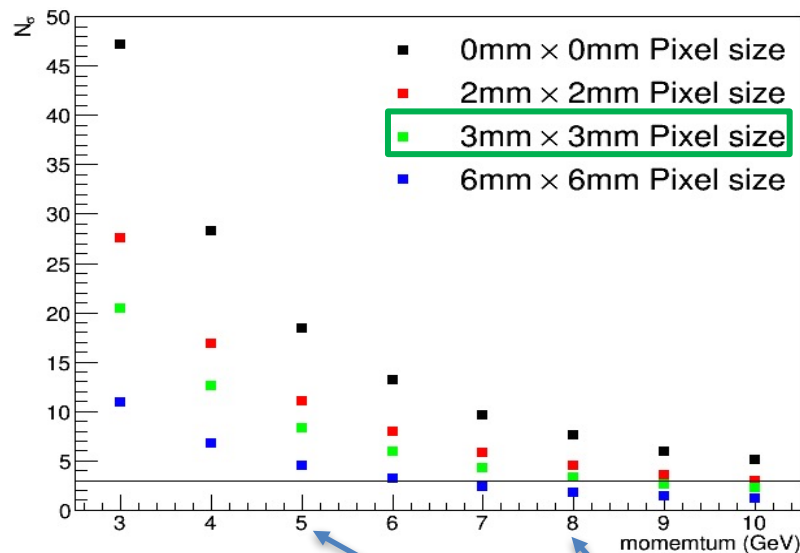


Examples of ring image patterns generated from Geant4 simulation for 5 GeV/c pi, K and proton, which are used in the loglikelihood PID method.

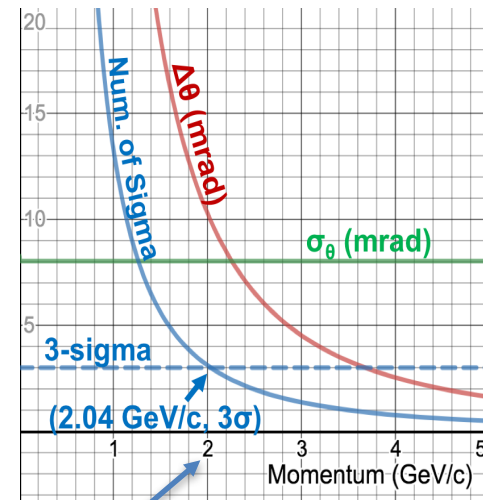
Upper row: incident at center at 0° angle
Lower row: incident at center at 10° angle

mRICH – FY19 activity (part one)

- Data analysis of the 2nd mRICH beam test and publish the new results – **verify the PID performance at 2, 5 and 8 GeV/c**



- Projected K/pi separation of mRICH 2nd prototype detector (**Green dots**)
- 2nd prototype detector can achieve 3-sigma K/pi separation up to 8 GeV/c

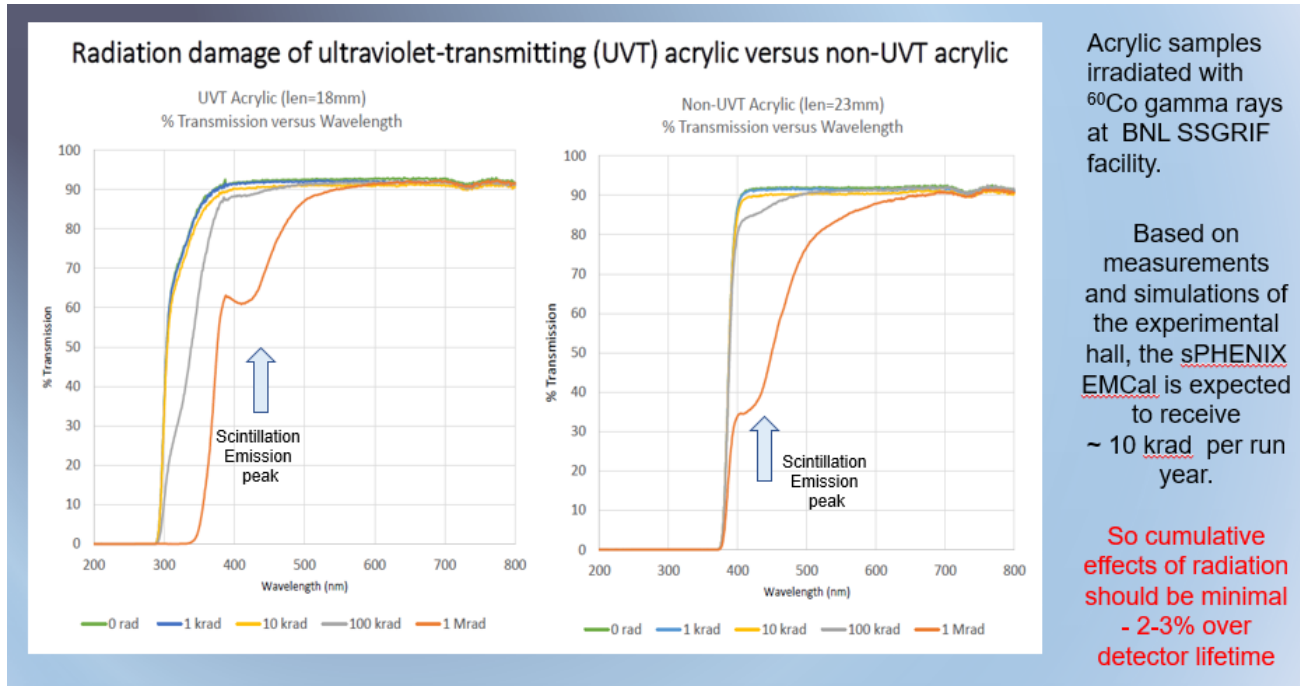


- Projected e/pi separation of mRICH 2nd prototype detector (**blue solid line**)
- 2nd prototype detector can achieve 3-sigma e/pi separation up to 2 GeV/c

Data sets taken during the second mRICH beam test at Fermilab in 2018

mRICH – FY19 activity (part two)

- Study of the radiation hardness of Fresnel lens (i.e., address the committee concern!)



- Simulation study of mRICH performance in the Forward sPHENIX experiment at BNL (ongoing effort).
- Simulation study of mRICH performance in the electron endcap in JLEIC (ongoing effort).
- Work with dRICH group to develop a plan for a join dRICH/mRICH beam test.

BACKUP SLIDES

mRICH – FY17 progress

1st mRICH prototype results have been published in NIM A871, 13-19 (2017)



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2nd mRICH prototype beam test is under preparation (PID validation test)

