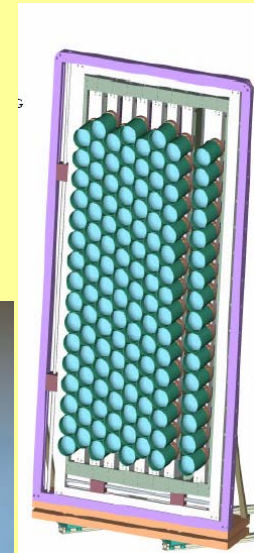
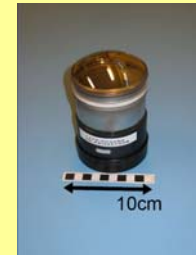




# Production of HPDs for the LHCb RICH Detectors



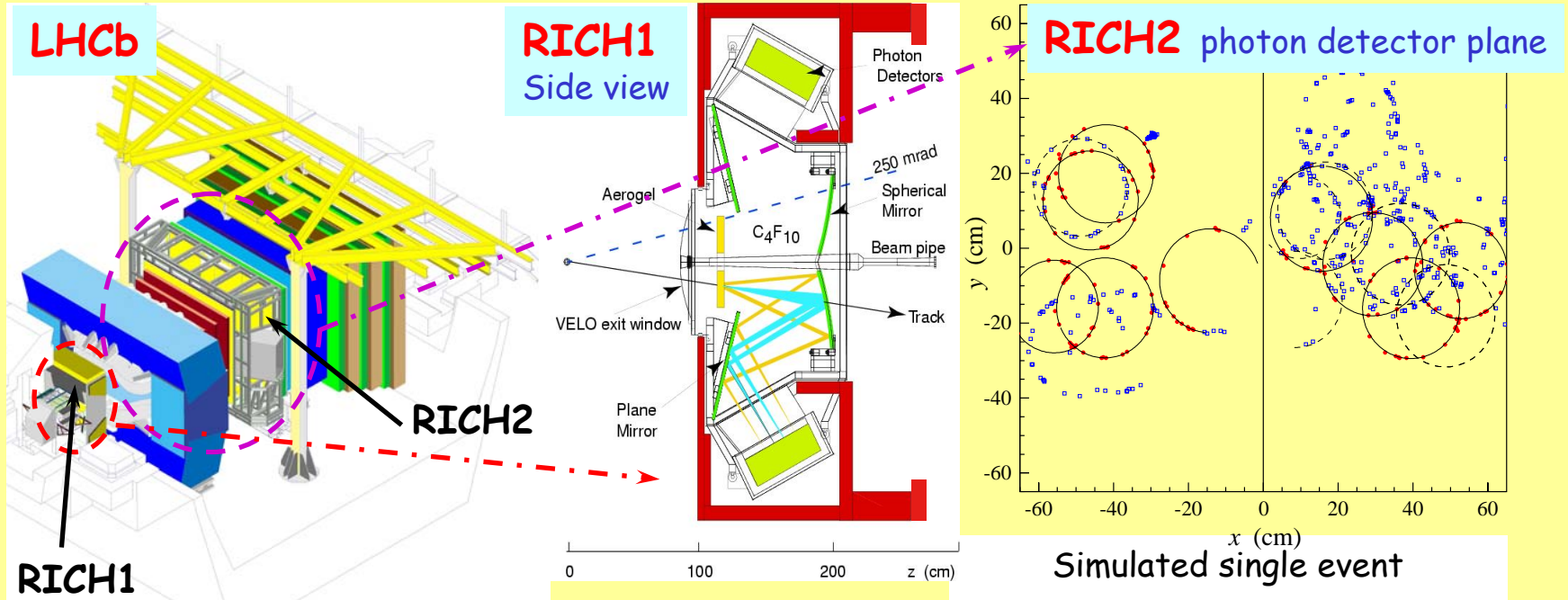
- LHCb RICH Detectors
- Hybrid Photon Detector
- Production
- Photo Detector Test Facilities
- Test Results
- Conclusions



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# LHCb RICH Detectors



- **LHCb Experiment**

- Precision measurements of CP violation in B meson decays, search for New Physics

- **Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detectors**

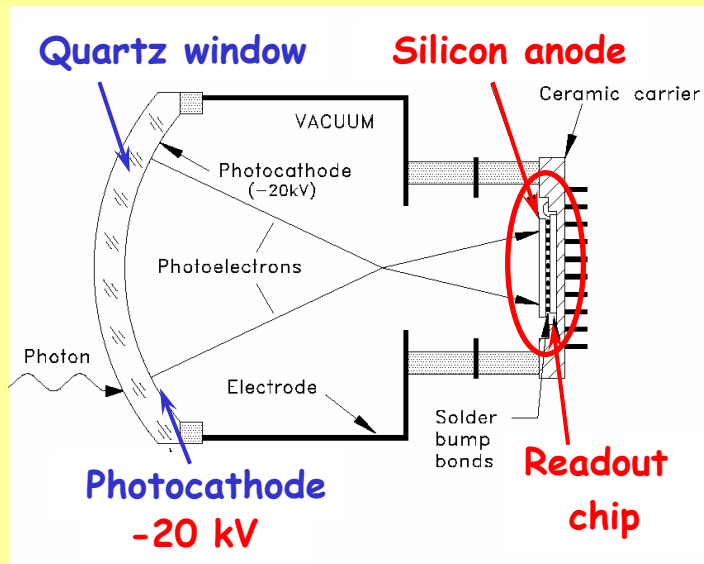
- Charged particle identification
- 2 RICH detectors - RICH1 and RICH2
- 3 radiators - aerogel, C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub>, CF<sub>4</sub>

- See talks in N25 - R Linder & C d'Ambrosio

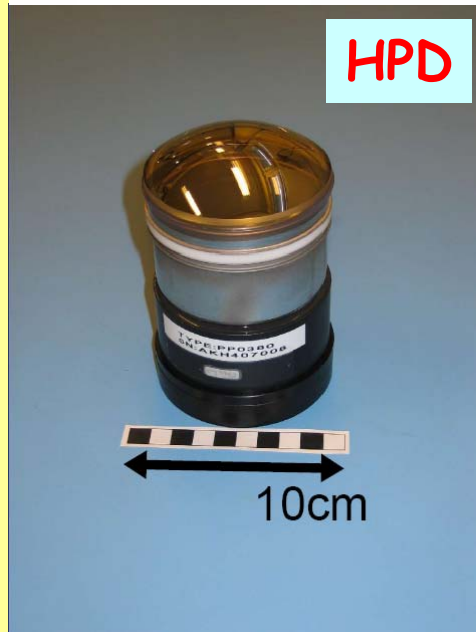
- **RICH Photon Detector Requirements**

- single photon sensitivity: 200 - 600 nm
- quantum efficiency: >20%
- photo detector area: 3.0 m<sup>2</sup>
- active area fraction: 65%
- spatial resolution /pixel size: 2.5 x 2.5 mm<sup>2</sup>
- read-out at LHC int. rate 40MHz
- radiation tolerant: 3kRad/year

# Hybrid Photon Detector - HPD

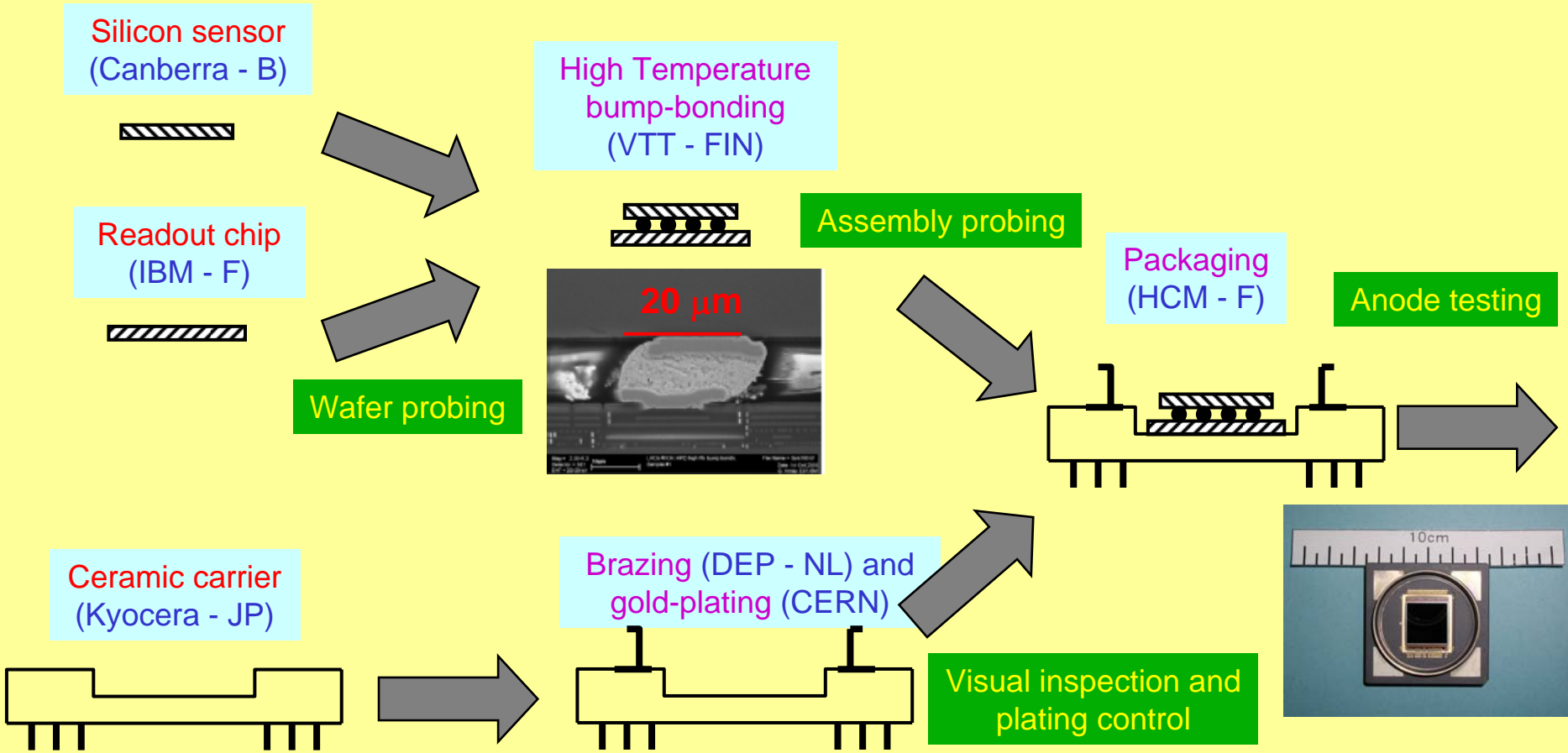


- **HPD = Hybrid Device**
  - Visible light photon detector
  - Pixelised silicon sensor and readout electronics
  - Encapsulated in vacuum tube
- **Photon detector**
  - Multi alkali photo cathode (S20), quartz window
  - 20 kV photo cathode high voltage
  - Cross-focusing optics - de-magnification:  $\sim 5$
- **Silicon anode**
  - Si-sensor array with  $256 \times 32$  pixels
  - bump-bonded to binary readout chip
  - Single photo electron (p.e) at 20 kV  $\sim 5000$   $e^-$  hole pairs in silicon
  - LHCb readout mode - 8-fold binary OR effective  $32 \times 32$  pixel array
  - Pixel size -  $500 \mu\text{m} \times 500 \mu\text{m}$



**LHCb RICH**  
484 HPDs  
 $\sim 500\text{k}$  channels

# HPD Production - Anode



# HPD Production – Photon Detector

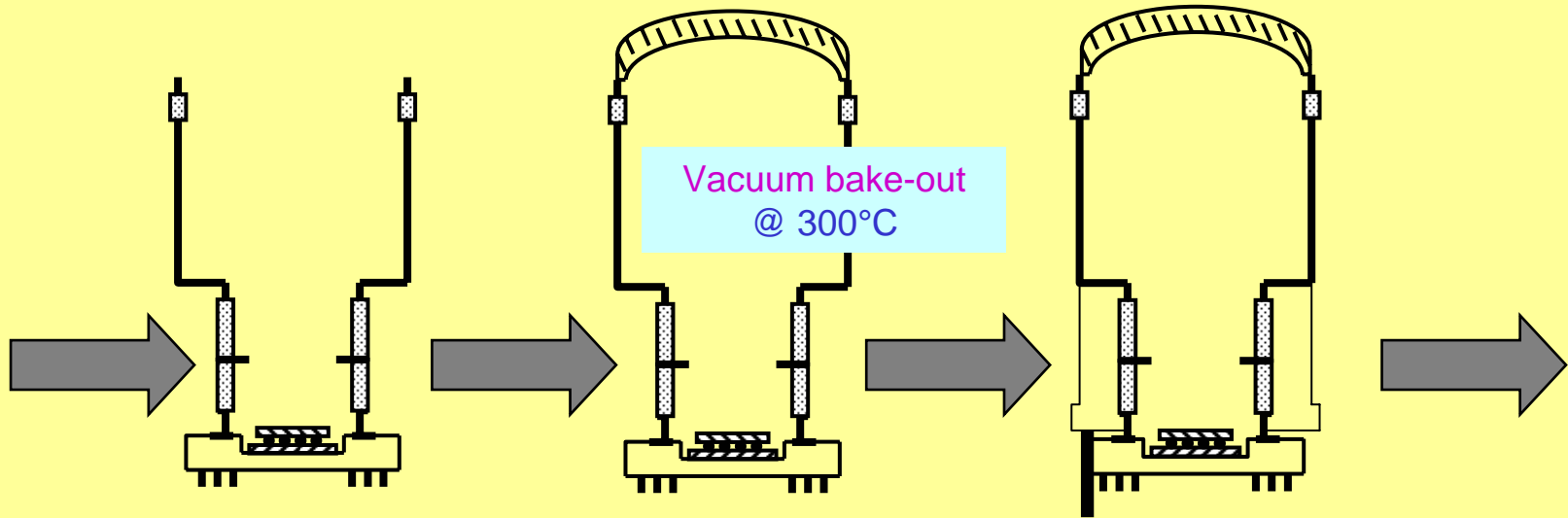


Hybrid photon detector production  
(Photonis DEP - NL)

Tube body assembly

Photo-cathode deposition  
and vacuum sealing

HPD cabling  
and potting



Anode incoming  
inspection and testing

Anode testing

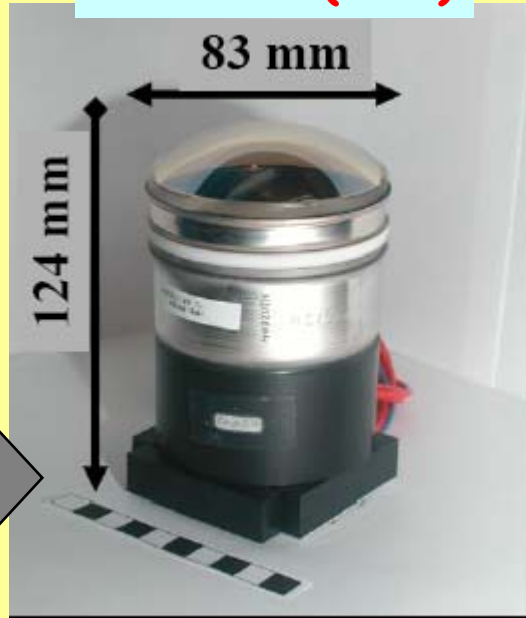
QE measurement  
and anode testing

HPD Q&A  
testing

# HPD Quality Assurance



## Hybrid Photon Detector (HPD)



### • HPD Production

- Series production of ~500 HPDs started
- 21 (+9 pre-series) HPDs delivered
- Production rate - 30 HPDs/month over 18 months

### • Photo Detector Test Facilities (PDTF)

- Provide quality assurance (QA) and verify/measure HPD specifications/properties
- Two PDTF sites: at Edinburgh and Glasgow Univ. with two fully equipped test stations/ PDTF site
- Automation wherever possible
- Testing rate - one HPD / work day / site
- Extended tests for subsample (~10%) of HPDs



# PDTF Test Programme



- **Mandatory for all HPDs**
  - Max. threshold:  $<2000 e^-$
  - Noise:  $<250 e^-$
  - Chip leakage current: typ.  $1\mu A$  @ 80V bias
  - HV operation: stable @ 20kV
  - Pixel response:  $>95\%$  for light
  - Tube intrinsic coverage:  $>80\%$
  - Ion feedback rate:  $<10^{-2}$  rel. to signal
  - Dark Count Rate:  $<5\text{kHz/cm}^2$
  - **for 10% sub-sample of HPDs**
  - Ph.e. detection eff.: typ. 85%
  - Quantum Efficiency: at 270, 400, 520 nm
- threshold scans  
IV scan & Bias V scan  
High voltage scan  
long LED run  
time delay scan  
Dark count runs  
Backpulse measurement  
QE measurement

Measurements of 9 pre-series HPDs tested at CERN  
Results generally well within specification

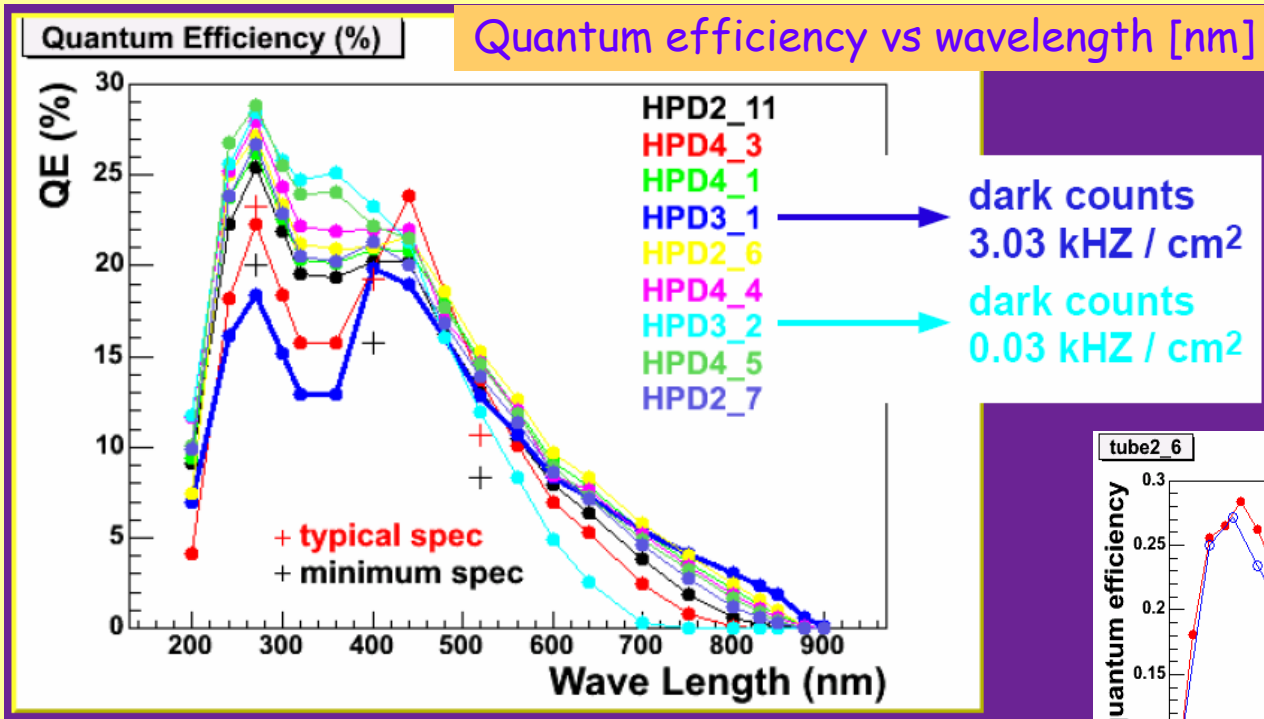
# Quantum Efficiency

- QE measurements

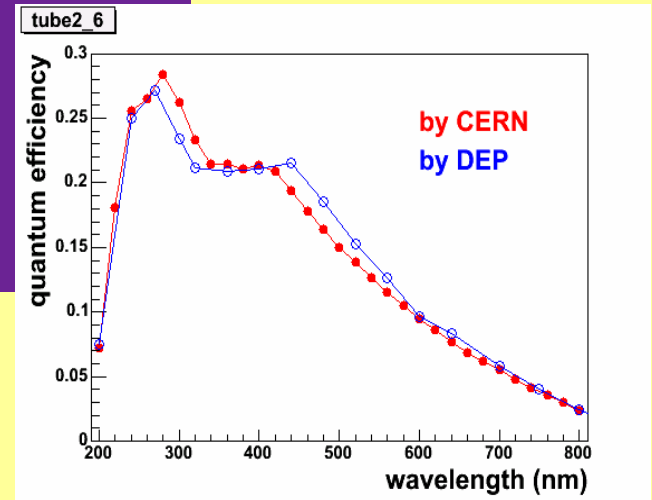
- 9 pre-series HPDs at CERN

- QE specifications

- based on HPD prototype results



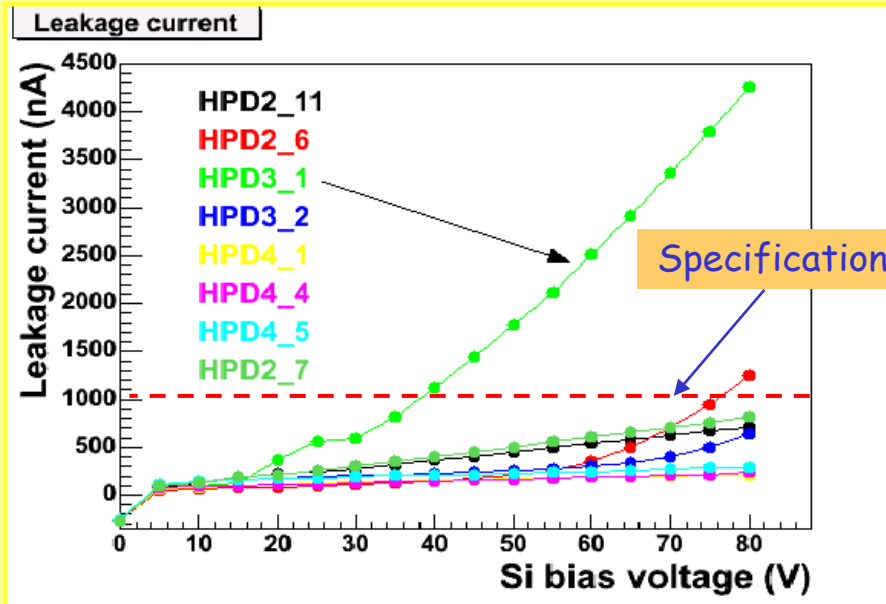
- Dark count rare correlated with QE red response
- Measurements consistent between CERN and DEP





# Leakage Current

- Measurements
  - 9 pre-series HPDs

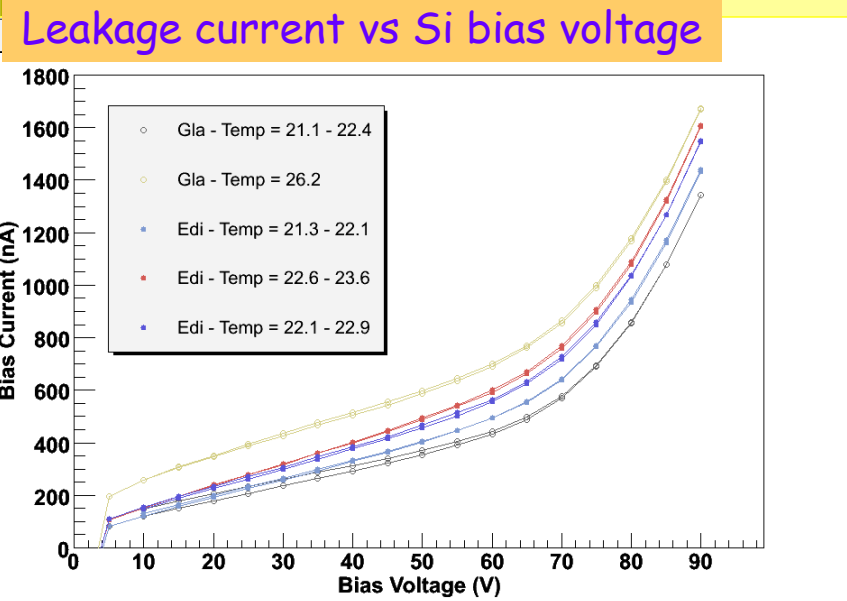


- 8 HPDs  $< 1\mu\text{A}$  - typ.  $1\mu\text{A}$  @ 80V
- 1 HPD  $4.3\mu\text{A}$  - OK

- Leakage Current
  - Dependent on chip temperature
  - Not correlated with ambient temperature

- Measure "Chip" Temperature
  - PT sensor at HPD read-out board

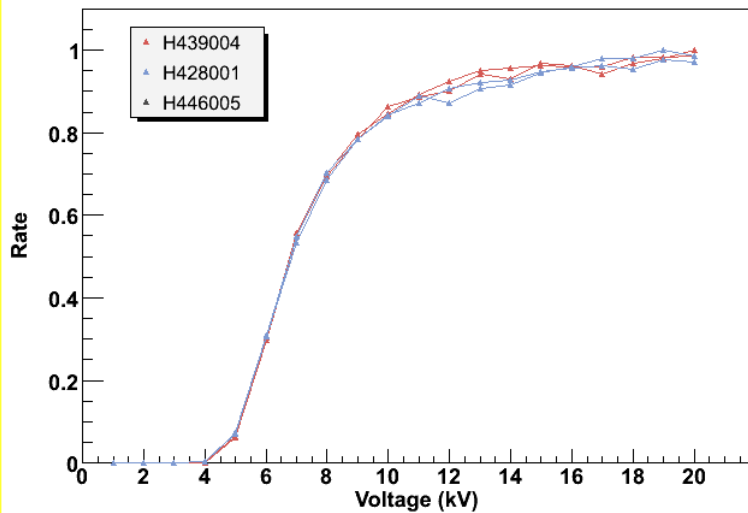
- Photo detector test facilities
  - Cross-calibration of 2 PDTF sites
  - Measure leakage current increases with "chip" temperature



# Bias & High Voltage Scans

- High Voltage Scans

## # of photo electrons vs high voltage



- PDTF Results

- HV curves are very similar
- >90% relative efficiency > 10kV
- large stable operating range
- LED yields vary between typ. 2 - 4 p.e./event

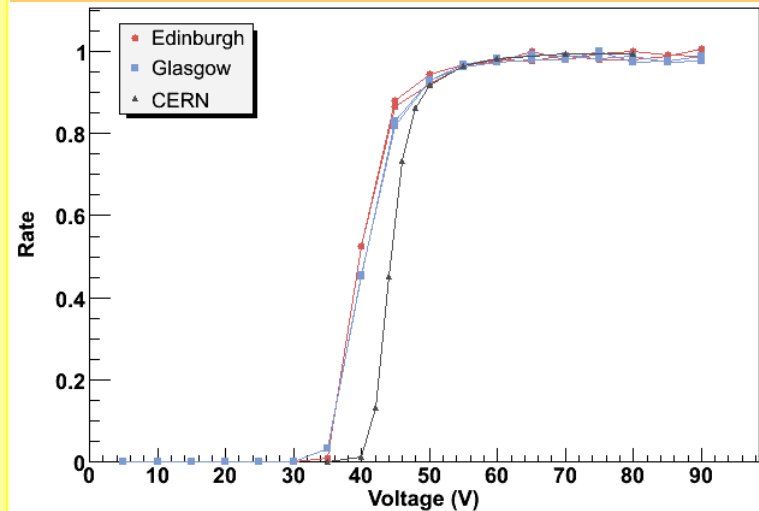
- Bias Voltage Scans

- Strobe Timing is critical
- drift velocity increases with  $V_{Bias}$
- depletion voltage and saturation yield depend on drift velocity

- PDTF measurements

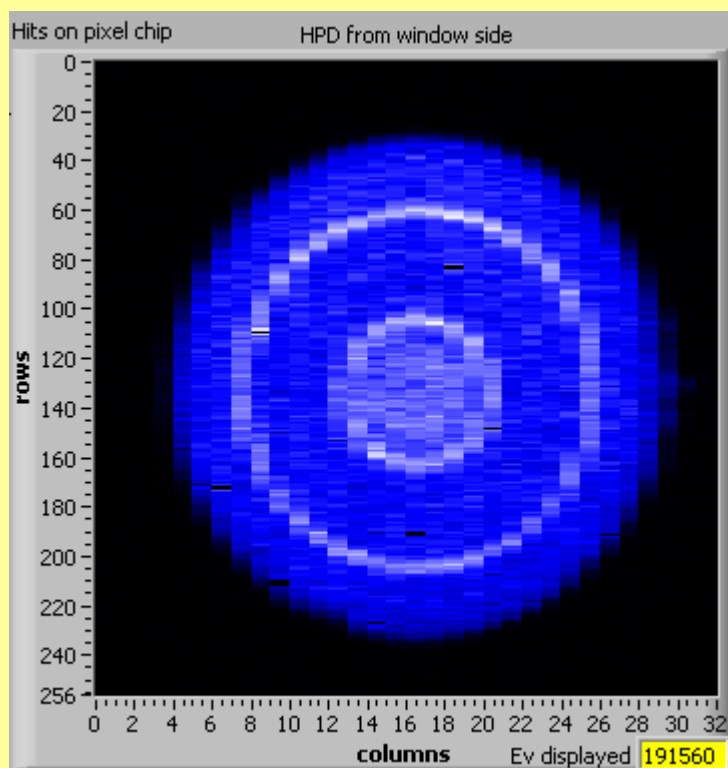
- Excellent agreement between PDTF sites
- difference to CERN due to timing

## # of photo electrons vs bias voltage

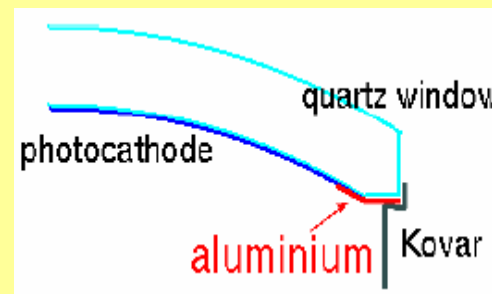


# Long LED Run

High statistics LED run  
(200k events, ~3 npe/event)

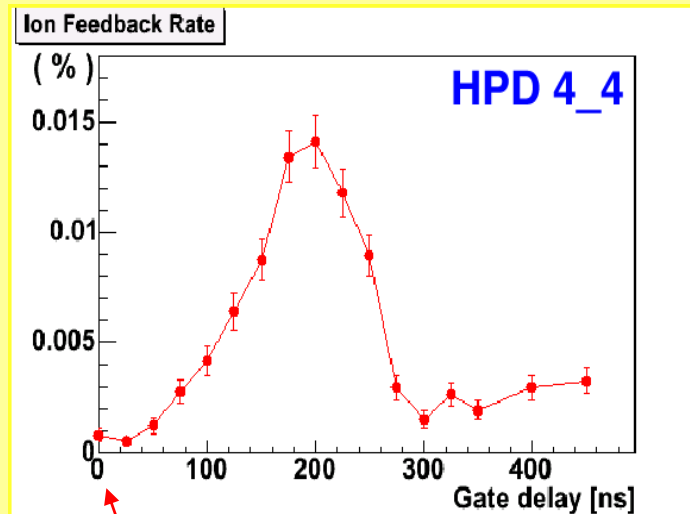


- HPD response
  - Full photo cathode area active
  - measure sensor positions
  - measure demagnification
  - cylindrical structures due to reflection on Al coating at edge



- HPD edges will be shadowed mu-metal shielding
- 9 pre-series HPD results
  - uniform response over full active area (apart from reflections)
  - pixel response:
  - 8 HPDs >99%
  - 1 HPD > 94.8% (1 missing column)
  - Specifications: >95%

## Ion Feedback signal



LED light pulse at ~0 ns

- **Ion Feedback**

- photo electron ionises residual gas molecule
- → travels back to the photo cathode
- → releases cluster of photoelectrons
- Delayed signal of clustered photo electrons
- → peaks ~200ns after direct photon signal
- indicator of vacuum quality

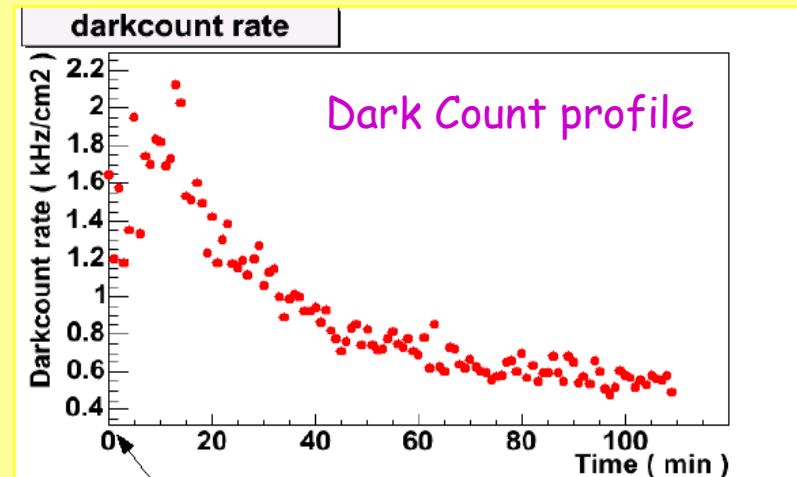
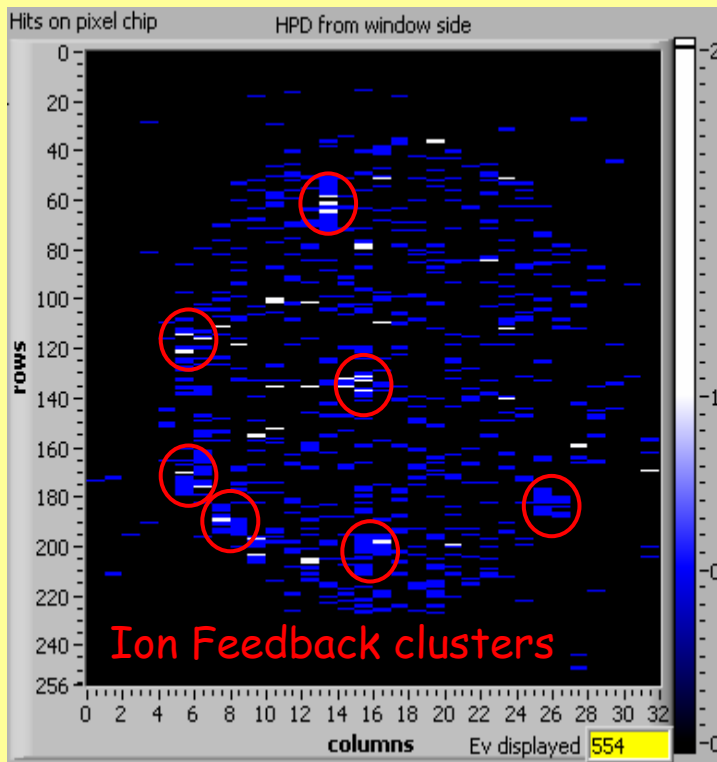
- **9 pre-series HPD results**

- ion feedback rate  $< 10^{-3}$  x direct photon signal
- consistent with specifications ( $< 10^{-2}$ )

# Dark Counts

High statistics Dark Count run  
(5M events)

- Sources of dark counts
  - Thermionic electron emission (temperature)
  - Field emission (electric field)
  - Ion feedback (vacuum quality)



- 9 pre-series HPD:
  - dark count rate
  - 0.03-3.0kHz/cm<sup>2</sup> (<5kHz/cm<sup>2</sup>) related to red response in QE

# Long Term Performance - Ageing



## • Aging Test Method

- Illuminate HPD with intense LED light source
- 40% occupancy at 50°C for 1 month  
normal LHCb occupancy ~1%
- equivalent to 10 years of LHCb running

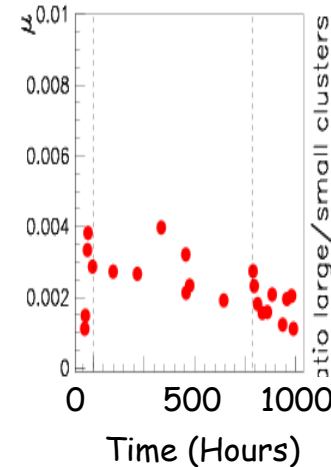
## • Measurements

- Dark current - slight decrease with time
- Ion feedback - increases from 1 to 3%  
rate recovers
- Light yield
- Photocathode quantum efficiency unchanged

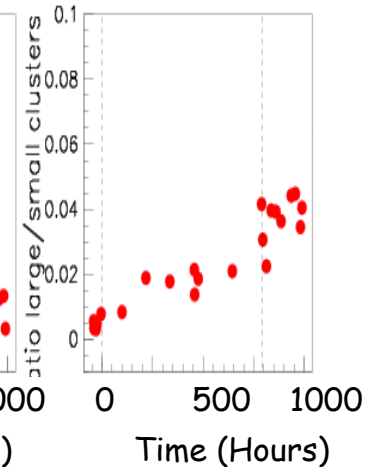
## • Observe no degradation

- Due to aging

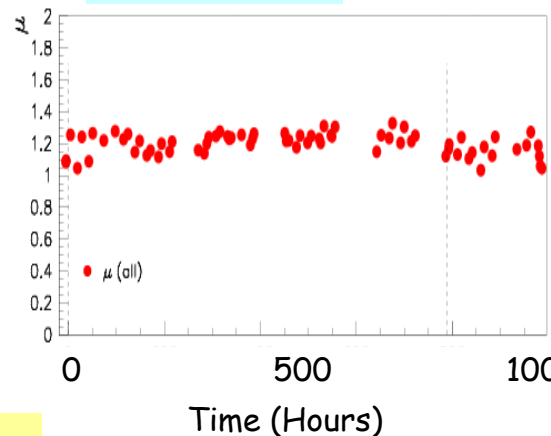
## Dark count rate



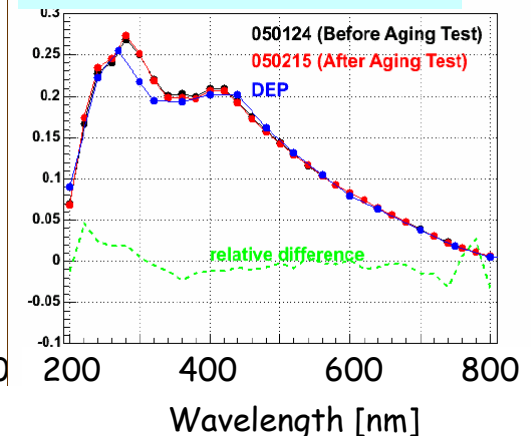
## Ion feedback rate



## Light yield

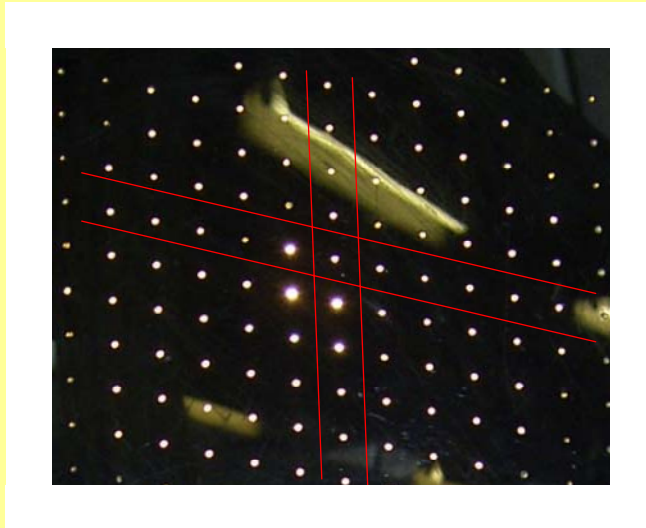


## Quantum efficiency

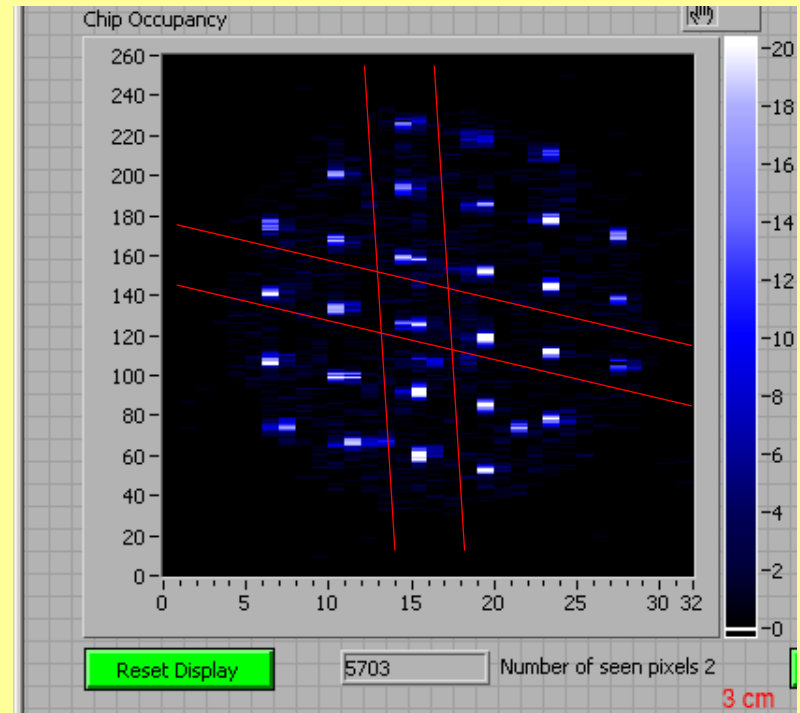


# Pixel Mask Measurement

- **Prototype pin-hole mask**
  - hole diameter: 1 mm
  - hole separation: ~11 mm



Response to LED light with pin-hole mask  
(200k events)



- **Method**
  - Mask placed at 3 cm distance to HPD
  - Illuminate mask & HPD with point-like light source (fibre)
  - Fit light spot positions

- **Goals**
  - Compare spots to hole positions
  - Test for image distortion

- Hybrid Photon Detectors meet requirements for LHCb RICH detectors
- Pre-series HPDs have been tested extensively and their performance is within specifications
- Production of ~500 HPDs has started  
21 HPDs have been delivered
- Photo detector test facilities built and commissioned
- Automated test procedures are in place
- Series testing of HPDs has started



# Backup Slides

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# HPD Performance



## Results of 9 pre-series HPDs tested at CERN

Item	Specification	Results	Note
Pixel response	>95%	>99%	missing column in 1 HPD
Min. threshold Noise	<2000e- <250e-	Typ. 1200e- Typ. 160e-	
Leakage current	Typ. 1uA @ 80V bias	< 1uA	4.3uA for 1 HPD see page 10
Dark count rate	Max. 5kHz/cm <sup>2</sup>	0.03-3kHz/cm <sup>2</sup>	Correlated to red response
Ion feedback rate	Max. 10 <sup>-2</sup> rel. to signal	<10 <sup>-3</sup>	
P.e. detection efficiency	Typ. 85%	79-89%	No dead channel correction
Quantum efficiency	see page 9	Generally well above specs	1 HPD below specs in UV