



Proton Induced Radiation Damage up to 8 × 10¹⁵ p/cm² in Various Crystal Scintillators

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Introduction



- Future HEP experiments at the energy frontier (HL-LHC) faces a challenge of radiation damage by charged hadrons and neutrons in addition to ionization dose.
- 800 MeV protons at the Weapons Neutron Research facility of Los Alamos Neutron Science Center (WNR of LANSCE) is ideal for the investigation on charged hadron induced radiation damage in crystal scintillators.
- Long crystals of 15 to 22 cm, BGO, CeF₃, LYSO and PWO were irradiated up to 3 x 10¹⁵ p/cm² at Los Alamos in 2014 (6501) and 2015 (6990), with degradation of their longitudinal transmittance measured *in situ*.
- LYSO plates of 14 x 14 x 1.5 mm³ were also irradiated by 24 GeV/67 MeV protons at CERN/UC Davis up to 8 x 10¹⁵/9.5 x 10¹³ p/cm².



Hadron Fluence @ 3,000 fb⁻¹



FLUKA simulations: the neutron and charged hadron fluence expected by the CMS FCAL at $|\eta| = 3$ is 5 x 10¹⁵/cm² and 3 x 10¹⁴/cm² respectively at the HL-LHC

Neutron

Charged Hadron



No experimental data show that neutrons and charged hadrons would damage crystal scintillators equally, so they should be treated separately

Particle Energy Spectra at LHC

FLUKA simulations: neutrons and charged hadrons are peaked at MeV and several hundreds MeV respectively. Neutron energy of 2.5 MeV from Cf-252 source and proton energy of 800 MeV at LANL are ideal for such investigation





800 MeV Proton Beam at LANL

Environment/Source	Proton Flux (p s ⁻¹ cm ⁻²)	Fluence on Crystal (p cm ⁻²)
CMS FCAL (η=1.4) at HL-LHC	4.0×10^{4}	2.4 × 10 ¹² / 3000 fb ⁻¹
CMS FCAL (η=3.0) at HL-LHC	5.0×10^{6}	3.0 × 10 ¹⁴ / 3000 fb ⁻¹
WNR facility of LANSCE	Up to 2 × 10 ¹⁰	Up to 3 × 10 ¹⁵

One end of a long crystal is bombarded by 800 MeV protons of a Gaussian shape with FWHM of one inch





6990: On-line Monitoring



A LYSO-W-Capillary Shashlik cell and three long crystals were monitored by a 420 nm LED and a fiber based spectrophotometer (300 – 800 nm) respectively before, during and after irradiation



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Samples



20 cm crystals and a LYSO/W Shashlik tower in the Target 2



14 x 14 x 1.5 mm LYSO plates in the Target 4 East Port





6990: Photos at Los Alamos





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6990: Proton Beam History





BGO: LT Damage and RIAC



A 20 cm BGO sample irradiated to 1.8×10^{14} p/cm² with a flux of 3.1×10^{14} p/cm²/hr. is completely black below 400 nm with recovery recorded from 15 to 10 m⁻¹ at its emission peak after 37 hr





CeF₃: LT Damage and RIAC



A CeF₃ of $2.2^2 \times 15 \times 2.6^2$ cm³ was irradiated to 1.4×10^{14} p/cm² with RIAC @ 340 nm of 17 m⁻¹





PWO: LT Damage and RIAC



The 22 cm PWO sample irradiated to 1.8×10^{14} p/cm² with a flux of 3.1×10^{14} p/cm²/hr is completely black below 450 nm with recovery observed after 38 hr.





LYSO: LT Damage and RIAC



A LYSO of $2.5 \times 2.5 \times 20$ cm³ irradiated to 3.3×10^{14} p/cm² with EWRIAC of 1 m⁻¹, indicating excellent radiation hardness of LYSO against protons





LFS: LT Damage and RIAC



A LFS crystal of 18 cm irradiated to 2.9×10^{15} p/cm² in five steps with RIAC at 430 nm of 3.7 / 14.1 m⁻¹ after 3.6×10^{14} / 2.9×10^{15} p/cm² respectively





RIAC at Emission Peak



Measured Values at about E14, and extracted to 3E14 p/cm²

Crystal	Dimensions (mm ³)	ID	Emission Peak (nm)	Fluence (p/cm ²)	RIAC at EP (1/m)	@ 3E+14
BGO	25×25×200	SIC-BGO	480	1.77E+14	14.7	24.9
CeF_3	22 ² ×26 ² ×150	SIC-CeF	340	1.40E+14	17.4	37.3
LYSO	25×25×200	SG-LYSO	430	3.27E+14	0.86	0.8
LFS	25×25×180	OET-LFS	430	3.55E+14	3.7	3.1
PWO*	28.5 ² ×30 ² ×220	SIC-PWO	420	1.80E+14	> 36	> 60

LYSO is the most radiation hard among all tested at LANL



LFS/W/Capillary Tower



The Shashlik tower irradiated to 1.2×10^{15} p/cm² in 3 steps with degradation of 20%/50% after 4.3×10^{14} / 1.24×10^{15} p/cm²



800 MeV Proton Fluence (p/cm2)

~10% light output loss in a LYSO/capillary based Shashlik tower

Normalized Monitoring Signal

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Irradiation for LYSO Plates, 2015 LYSO Plate, 14x14x1.5 mm³ **200 BOET LFS Plates** of 14 x 14 x 1.5 mm with Five Holes 24 GeV Proton Beam Gaussian with a FWHM of about 12 mm Dimension Irradiation **Protons Fluence** Error Facility ID (mm³) (GeV) (p/cm²) (+/- %) Set LFS BOET-6 14×14×1.5 CERN 24 2045 9.97×10¹³ 7.0 LFS BOET-7 CERN 14×14×1.5 24 2045 9.97×10^{13} 7.0 LFS BOET-8 14x14x1.5 CERN 24 2046 4.48×10¹⁴ 8.4 LFS BOET-9 14x14x1.5 CERN 24 2046 4.48×10¹⁴ 8.4 LFS BOET-10 14x14x1.5 CERN 24 2047 8.21×10¹⁴ 7.6 LFS BOET-11 7.6 14×14×1.5 CERN 24 2047 8.21×10¹⁴ LFS BOET-12 14x14x1.5 CERN 24 2048 1.65×10^{15} 7.5 LFS BOET-13 14x14x1.5 CERN 24 2048 1.65×10¹⁵ 7.5 LFS BOET-14 2049 14×14×1.5 CERN 24 8.19×10¹⁵ 7.3 LFS BOET-15 14x14x1.5 CERN 2049 24 8.19×10¹⁵ 7.3



RIAC@ as a function of Fluence



2014 Data

2015 Data



Consistent damage in LFS and LYSO

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LO of LYSO/LFS Plates



Data consistent with average light path length of 1.1 and 2.4 cm at 430 nm for direct and Y-11 readout respectively



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6990: Plates & Shashlik Cell



130 LYSO/LFS Plates Irradiated by 24 GeV Protons 120 Readout: 4×127 mm Y-11 WLS fibers+PMT(R2059) 110 Wrapping: Teflon box Normalized Light Output (%) 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 LFS-W-Capillary Shashlik Cell 30 Irradiated by 800 MeV Protons 20 Monitoring Source: 420 nm LED 10 Readout: guartz fiber and PMT 0 15 14 16 10 10 10 Proton Fluence (p/cm²)

Consistent damage for plates and a Shashlik cell indicates small degradation in quartz capillaries & no difference between protons of 800 MeV and 24 GeV

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Summary



- Crystal transmittance and Shashlik response were measured during proton irradiation up to 3 x 10¹⁵ p/cm².
- After 2 x 10¹⁴ p/cm² PWO and CeF₃ are black at their emission peak, BGO has a RIAC value of 15 m⁻¹. LYSO and LFS crystal shows good radiation hardness, about 1 to 3 m⁻¹ after 3 x 10¹⁴ p/cm².
- A LFS/W/Capillary Shashlik cell shows 10% LO loss after 3×10¹⁴ p/cm², indicating a good stability of the proposed LYSO and quartz capillary based Shashlik calorimeter against charged hadrons.
- The damage observed at Los Alamos by 800 MeV protons is consistent with LYSO plates irradiated by 24 GeV protons at CERN in 2014 and 2015.
- Investigations will continue to compare damage by ionization dose, protons and neutrons.



No Neutron Damage in PWO

5.2 Radiation damage effects under neutron irradiation

In view of the intense neutron flux expected in CMS (see section 2) the effects on lead tungstate of neutron exposure were studied in nuclear reactors [47, 48]. The neutron fluxes and energies in these exposures were comparable to those expected in CMS. However, in reactors there is a strong associated gamma dose. The effect arising from neutrons was estimated by comparing the reactor results with results obtained from pure gamma irradiations. This indicated that there was no specific effect due to neutrons on the optical and scintillating properties of lead tungstate, at least up to fluences of 10^{14} cm⁻². This was confirmed by later independent studies [49]. It is also to be mentioned that recent tests performed at a very high fluence, of the order of 10^{19} to 10^{20} n·cm⁻² and 330 MGy (i.e. well above the level that will be ever achieved in any physics experiment) revealed the robustness of lead tungstate crystals which were not destroyed nor locally vitrified, and remained scintillating after such heavy irradiation [50].

The CMS Electromagnetic Calorimeter Group, *Radiation hardness qualification* of PbWO₄ scintillation crystals for the CMS Electromagnetic Calorimeter,



10 400

450

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500

550

600

Wavelength (nm)

650

700

750

A Comparison of damages in PWO caused by γ-rays and Neutrons up to 10¹⁹ n/cm²

Gamma Irradiation at JPL $7.8 \times 10^{18}/1.2 \times 10^{19}/4.0 \times 10^{19}$ n/cm² for fast/epithermal/thermal Corresponding dose received: 33 Grad @ 300 Mrad/h PWO SIC 28.5²×30²×220 mm³ RIAC@424 nm (m⁻¹) optical attenuation coefficient (cm Saclay neutron test: **PbWO₄** 30 cm⁻¹@ 420 nm under 300 Mrad/h 10.0 annealing Caltech gamma test: Caltech 500 9 200 °C 0.1 cm⁻¹@ 420 nm 107 10 Dose Rate (rad/h) Under 1 Mrad/h 1.0 PWO SIC 28.5²×30²×220 mm³ IR@1×10⁶ rad/h Neutron induced Caltech damage seems 10 negligible RIAC (m⁻¹) 400 500 600 700 800 900 wavelength (nm) Fig. 2. Optical attenuation coefficient of the irradiated sample before annealing and after successive annealing temperatures. 10 [50] R. Chipaux et al., Behaviour of PWO scintillators after high fluence neutron RIAC@424 nm: 9.65±0.18 m⁻¹

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