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# Recent Progresses of Inorganic Scintillators for Future HEP Experiments

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# 2019 DOE Basic Research Needs Study on Instrumentation for Calorimetry



Priority Research Direction **PRD**

PRD 1: Enhance calorimetry energy resolution for precision electroweak mass and missing-energy measurements

PRD 2: Advance calorimetry with spatial and timing resolution and radiation hardness to master high-rate environments

PRD 3: Develop ultrafast media to improve background rejection in calorimeters and improve particle identification

Snowmass 2022 White Paper “Materials for Future Calorimeters”  
arXiv 2203.07154, or <https://doi.org/10.48550/2203.07154>  
Fast/ultrafast, radiation hard and cost-effective active material



# Why Inorganic Scintillators

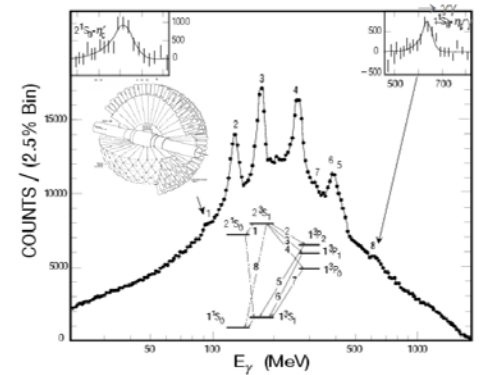


## Crystal ECAL Physics

- Precision photons and electrons enhance physics discovery potential.
- Crystal performance is well understood:
  - The best possible energy resolution and position resolution;
  - Good  $e/\gamma$  identification and reconstruction efficiency;
  - Excellent jet mass resolution with dual readout, C/S or F/S gate.
- Challenges at future HEP Experiments:
  - Fast and radiation hard scintillators for the HL-LHC and FCC-hh;
  - Ultrafast scintillators to break ps timing barrier & Mu2e-II ECAL;
  - Cost-effective crystals for the proposed Higgs factory.
- Inorganic scintillators at Caltech Crystal Lab:
  - Radiation hard LYSO:Ce and LuAG:Ce ceramics;
  - Ultrafast BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y crystals and Lu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>:Yb ceramics;
  - BGO, BSO & PWO crystals and heavy scintillating glasses.

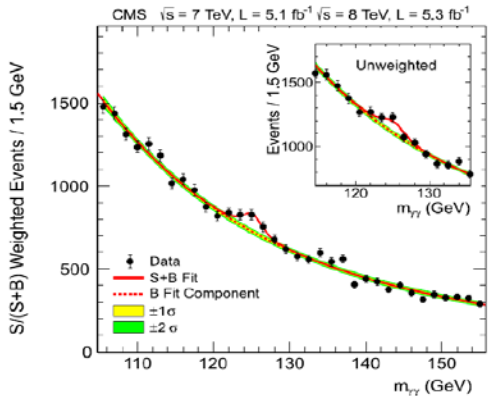
Charmonium system observed by CB through Inclusive photons

CB NaI(Tl)



Higgs -> gamma gamma by CMS through reconstructing photon pairs

CMS PWO

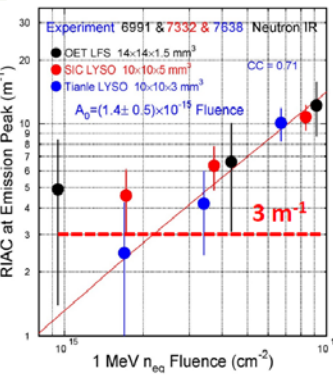
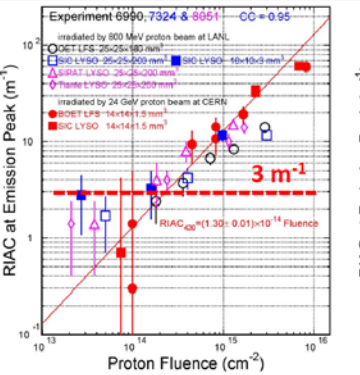
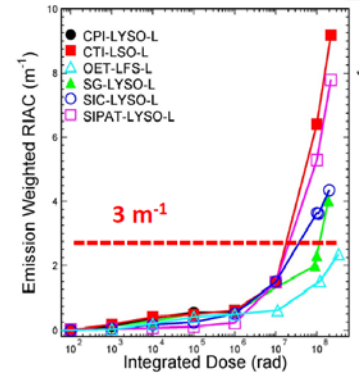


## LYSO:Ce Crystals for CMS BTL

NIM A 824 (2016) 726-728

IEEE TNS 64 (2017) 665-672, 65 (2018) 1018-1024

IEEE TNS 67 (2020) 1086-1092

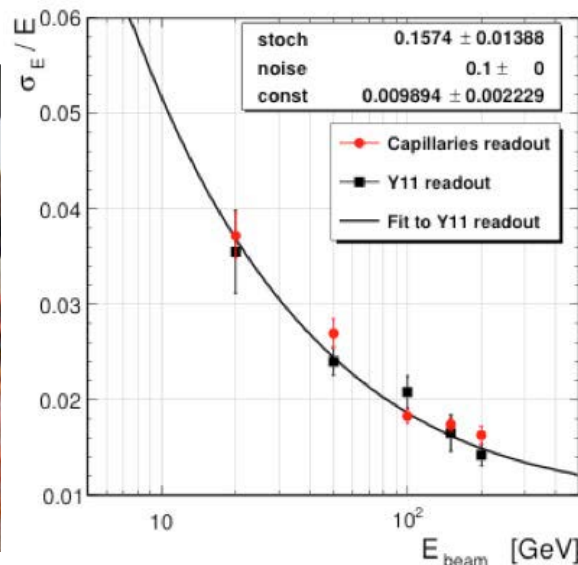
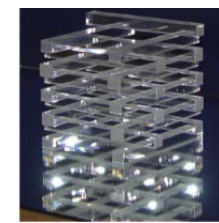


arXiv: 2203.06731 and arXiv: 2203.06788

Crystals damaged by both proton and neutron. Damage by proton is larger than that from neutrons because of ionization energy loss in addition to displacement and nuclear breakup

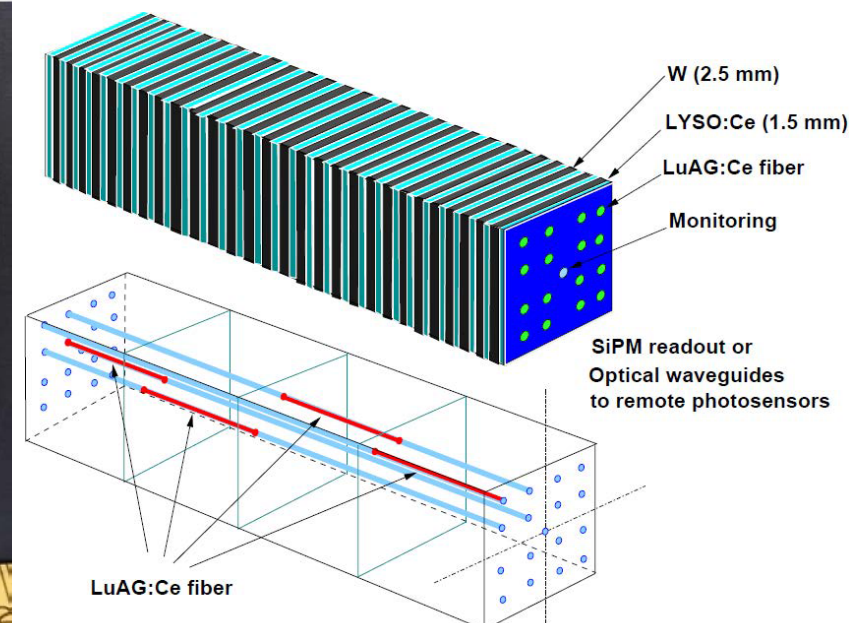
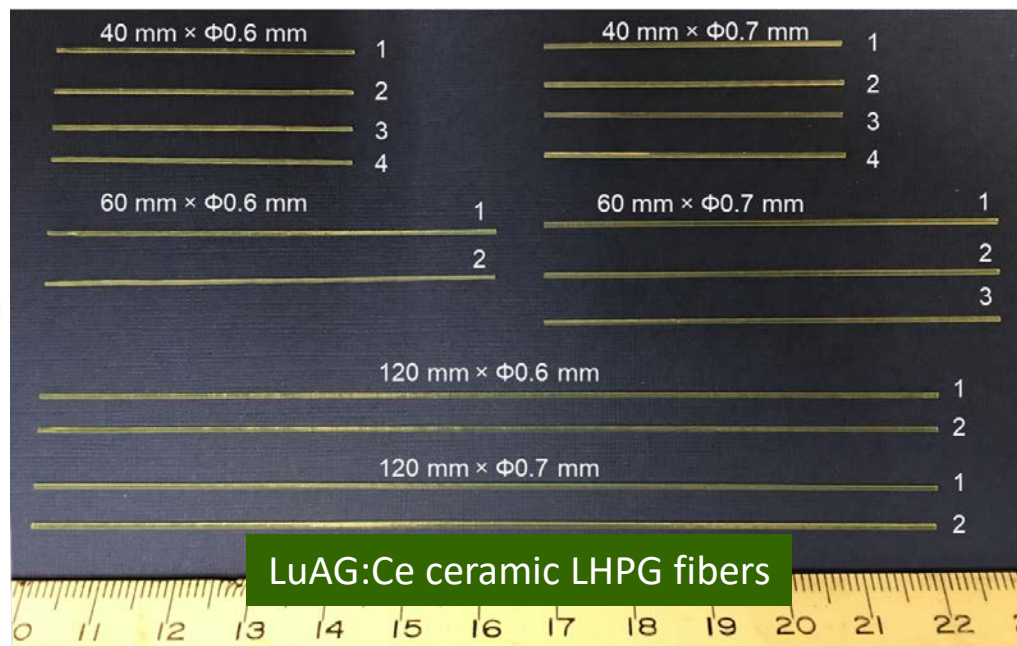
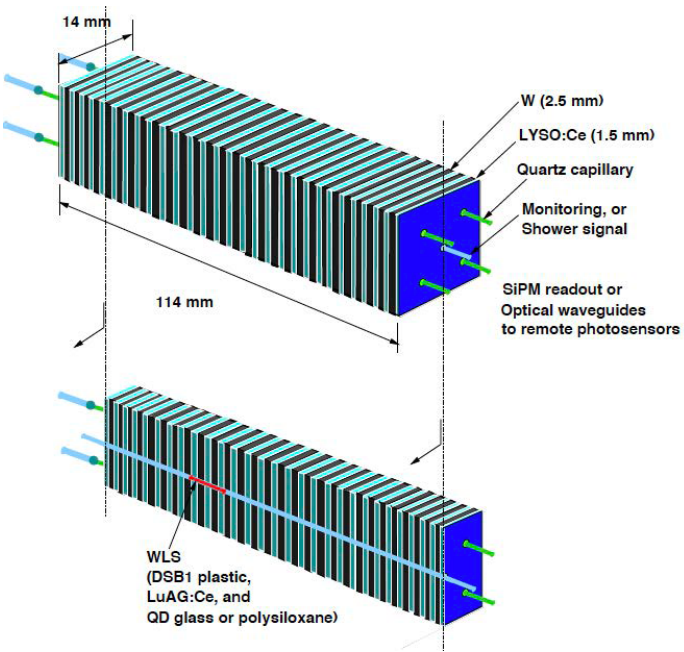
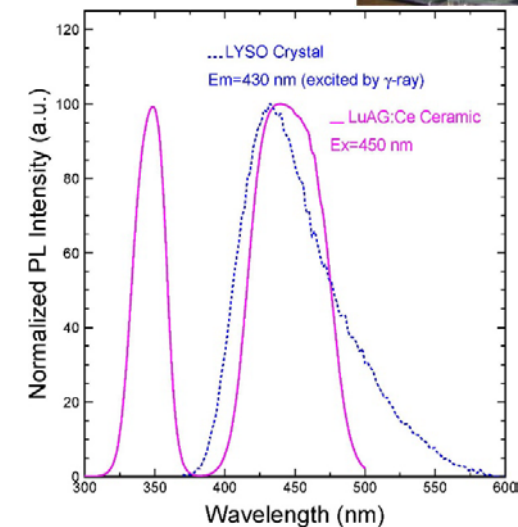


# RADiCAL: LYSO/LuAG Shashlik ECAL



arXiv: 2203.12806 (N35-6)

**RADI**ation hard **CAL**orimetry  
 Reducing light path length to mitigate radiation damage effect  
 Using radiation hard materials:  
 LuAG:Ce ceramics excitation matches LYSO:Ce emission



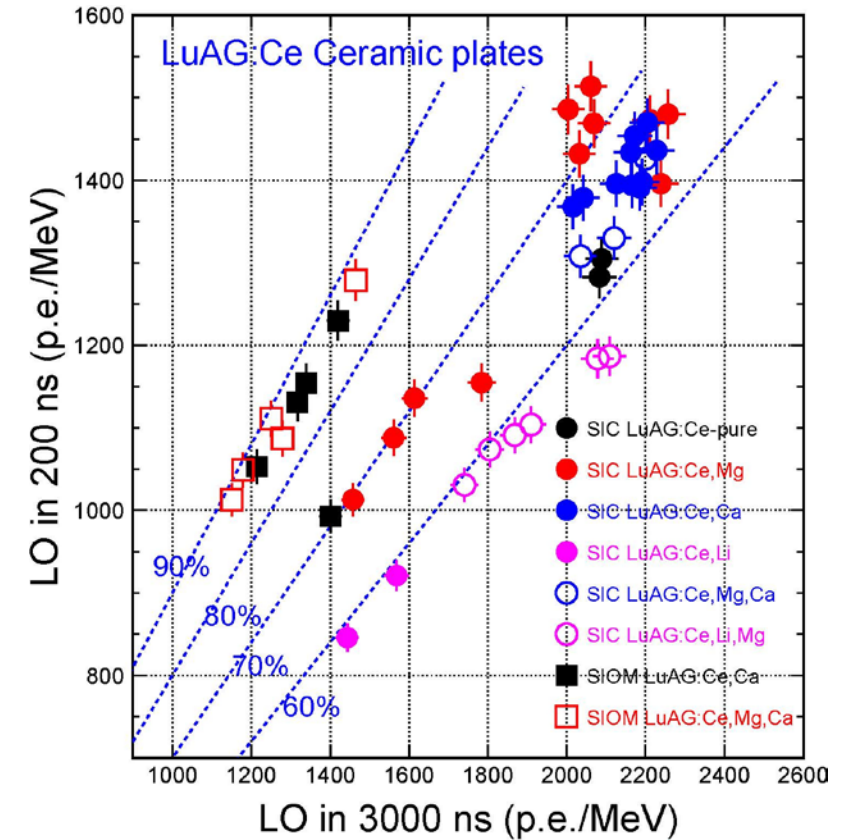
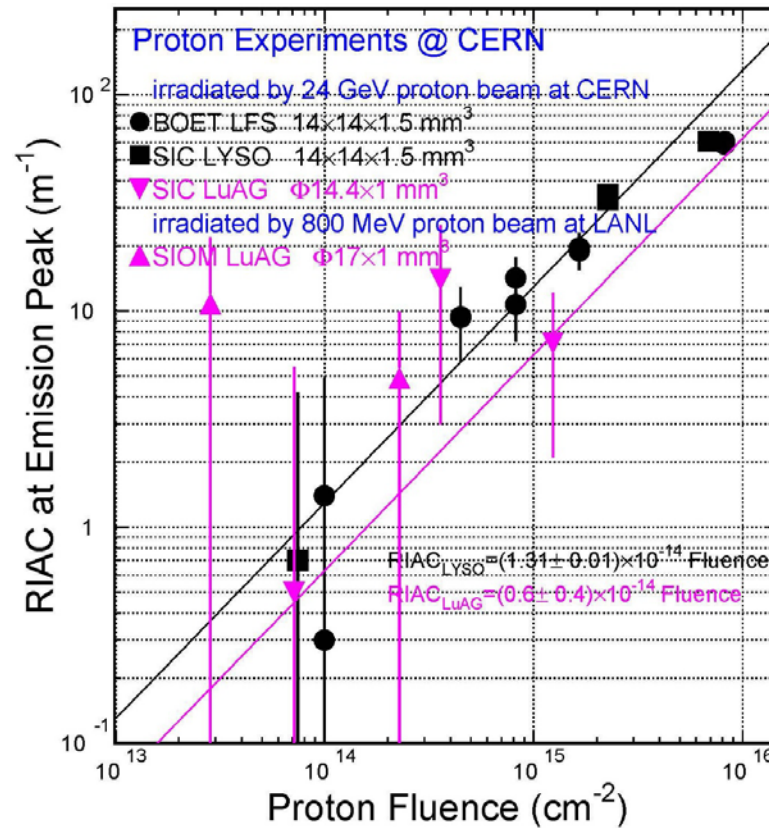
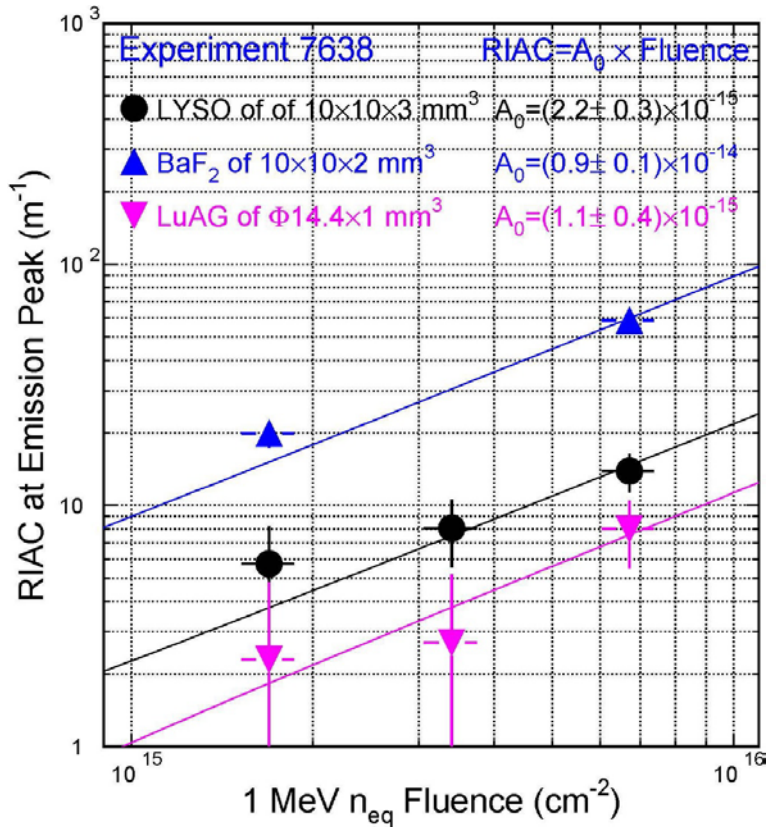


# LuAG:Ce Ceramics Radiation Hardness



IEEE TNS 69 (2022) 181-186

LuAG:Ce ceramics show a factor of two smaller RIAC values than LYSO:Ce up to  $6.7 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$  and  $1.2 \times 10^{15} \text{ p}/\text{cm}^2$ , promising for FCC-hh



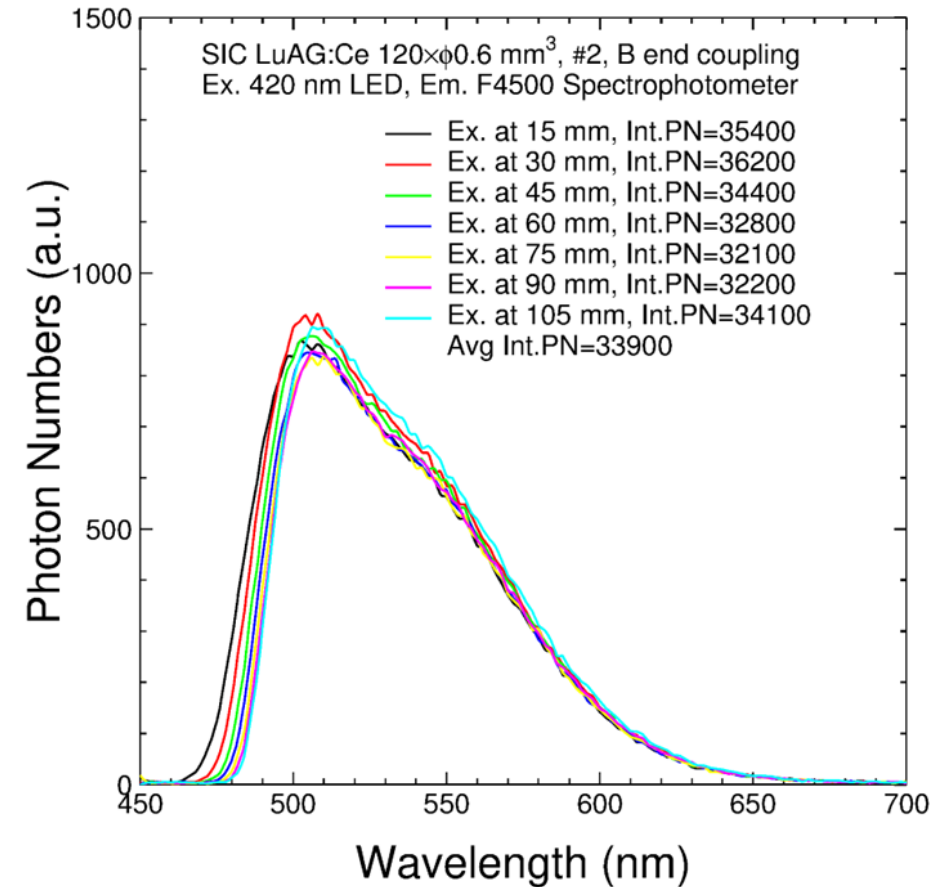
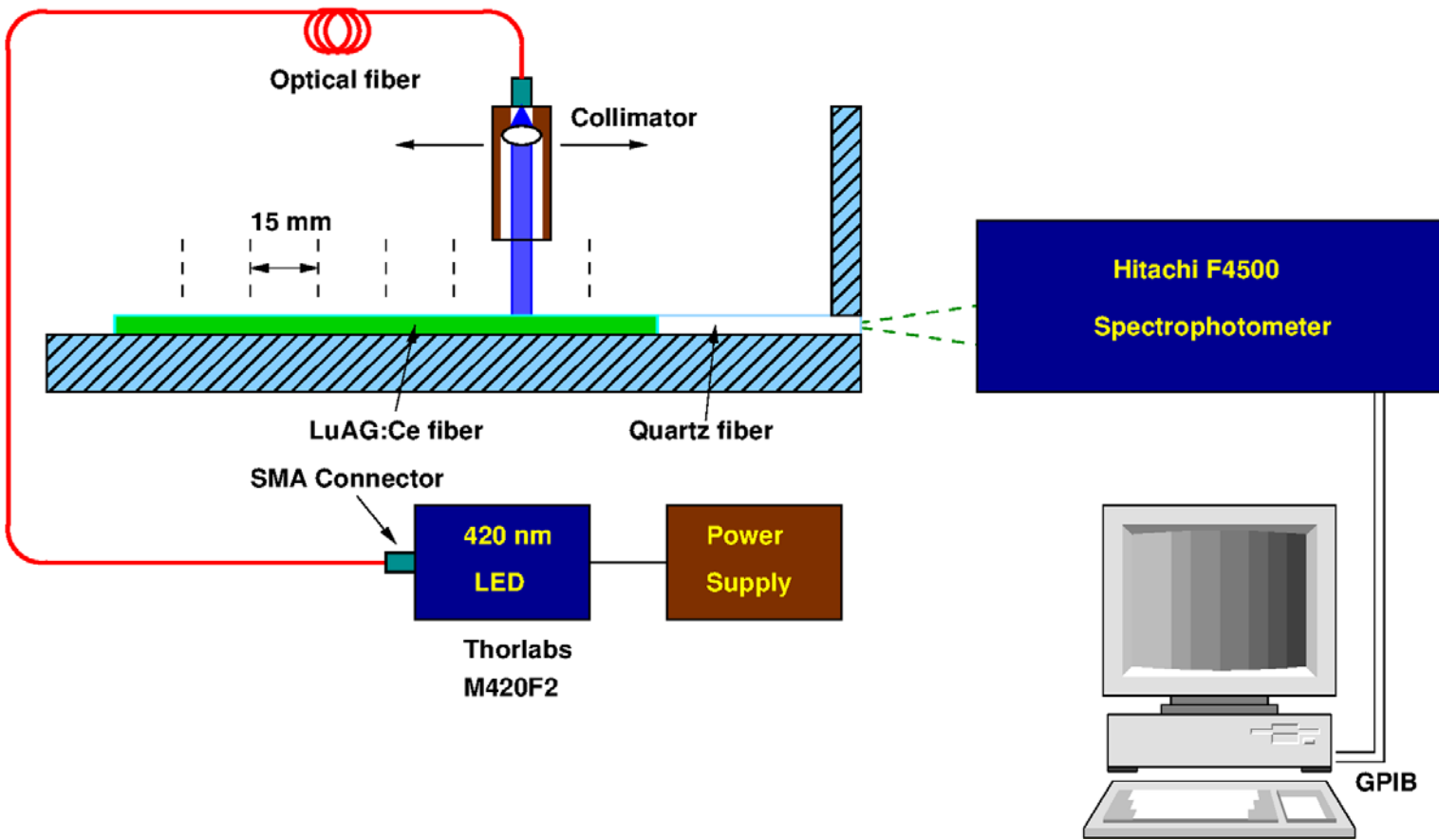
R&D on slow component suppression by Ca co-doping, and radiation hardness by  $\gamma/p/n$



# Light Output and Response Uniformity



Excellent longitudinal uniformity observed for a  $\Phi 0.6 \times 120 \text{ mm}^3$  LuAG:Ce ceramic excited by a 420 nm LED at different location, with a solid coupling to a quartz fiber, mimicking its application in RADiCAL





# Ultrafast BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y Calorimeter for Mu2e-II

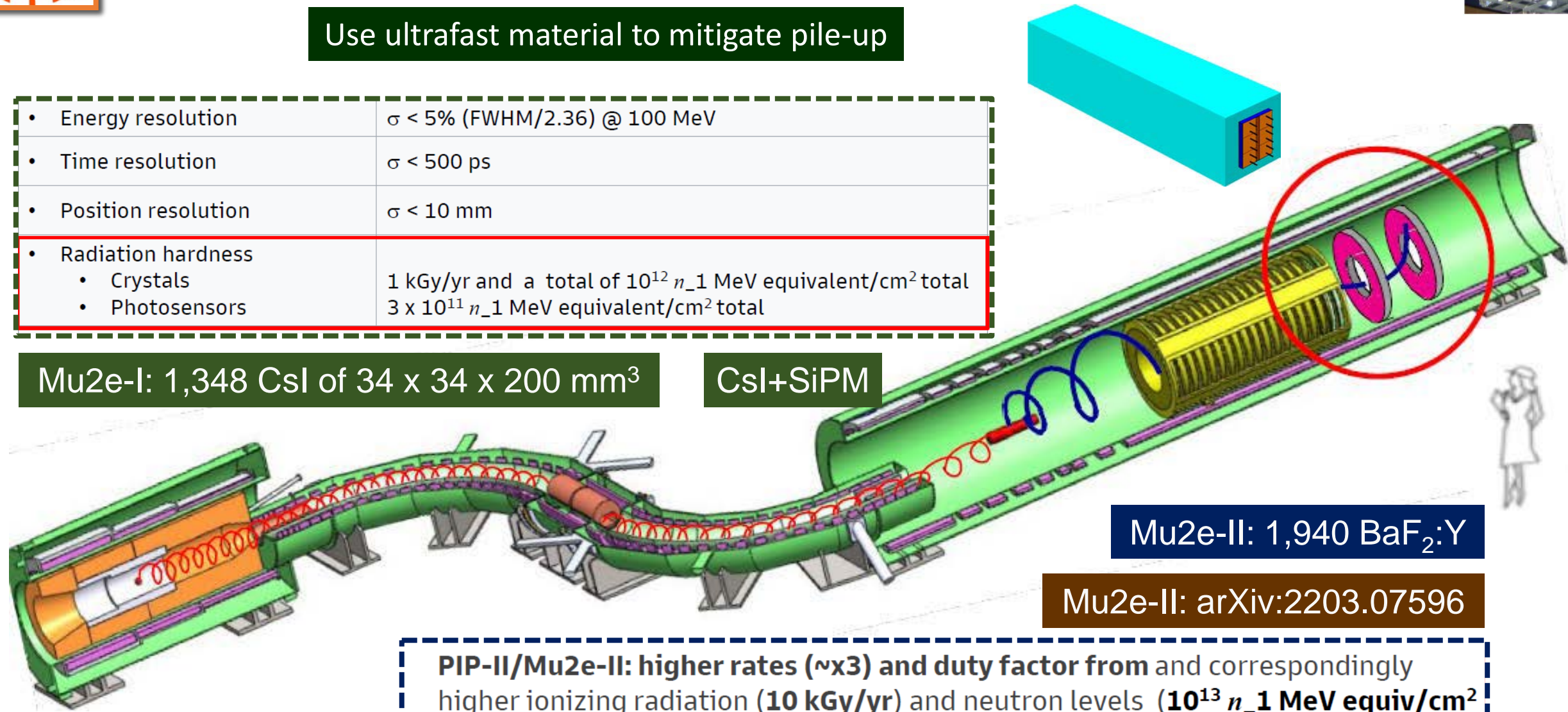


Use ultrafast material to mitigate pile-up

• Energy resolution	$\sigma < 5\%$ (FWHM/2.36) @ 100 MeV
• Time resolution	$\sigma < 500$ ps
• Position resolution	$\sigma < 10$ mm
• Radiation hardness	
• Crystals	1 kGy/yr and a total of $10^{12}$ n <sub>-1</sub> MeV equivalent/cm <sup>2</sup> total
• Photosensors	$3 \times 10^{11}$ n <sub>-1</sub> MeV equivalent/cm <sup>2</sup> total

Mu2e-I: 1,348 CsI of 34 x 34 x 200 mm<sup>3</sup>

CsI+SiPM



Mu2e-II: 1,940 BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y

Mu2e-II: arXiv:2203.07596

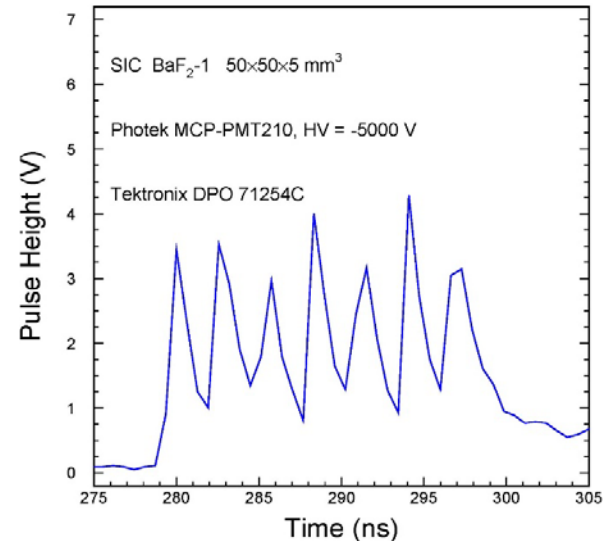
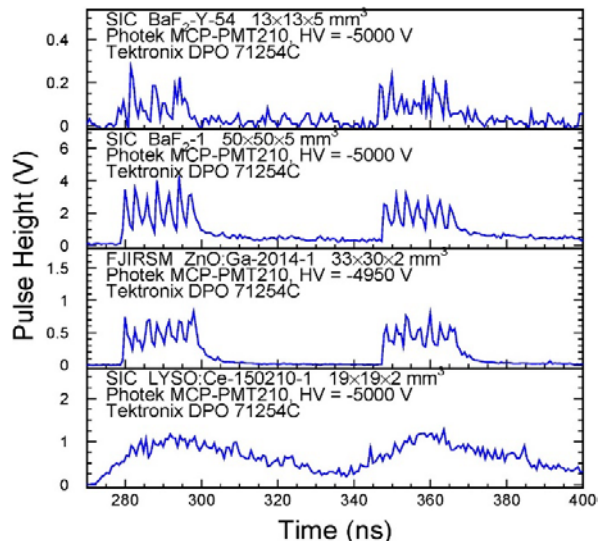
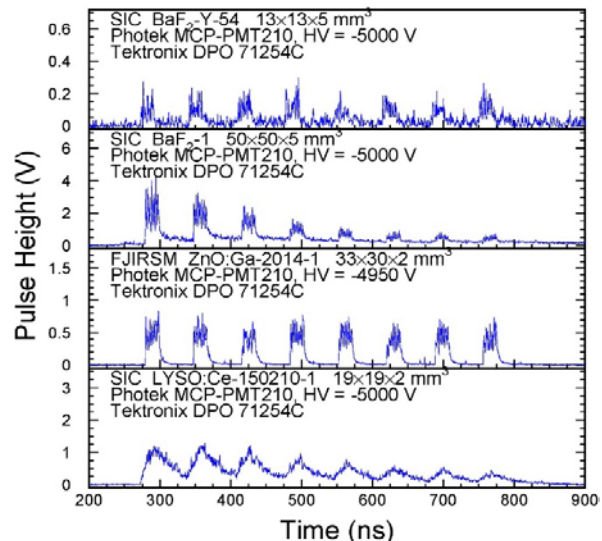
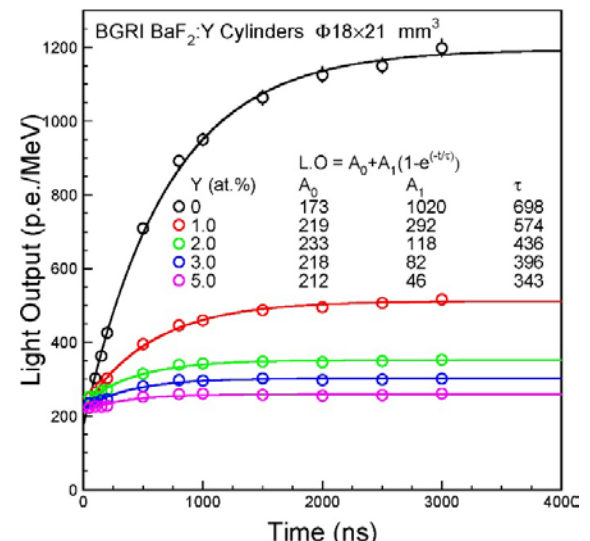
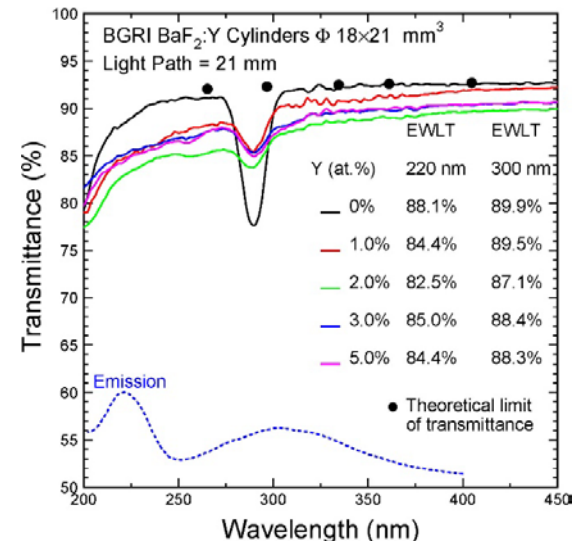
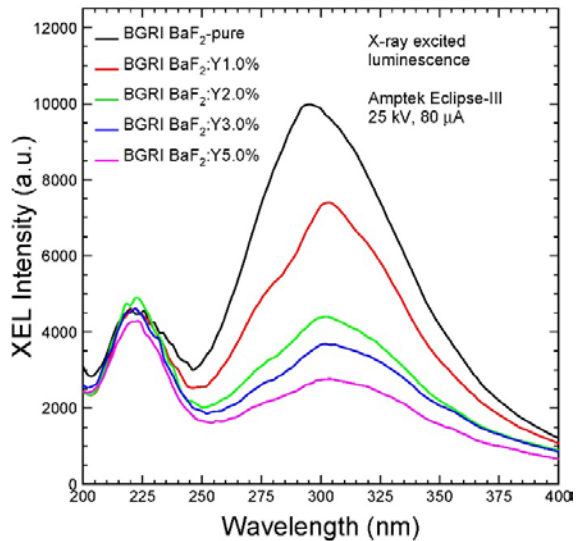
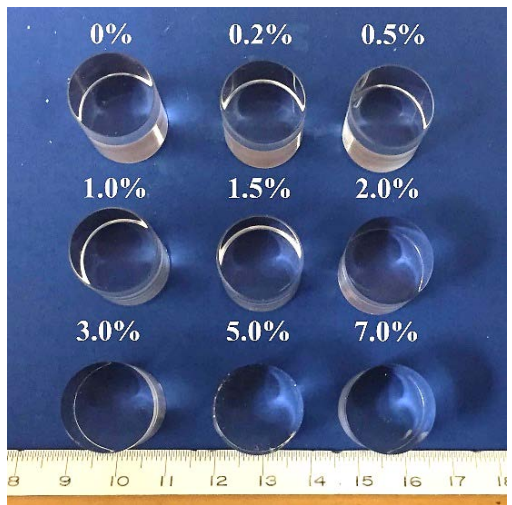
**PIP-II/Mu2e-II: higher rates (~x3) and duty factor from and correspondingly higher ionizing radiation (10 kGy/yr) and neutron levels (10<sup>13</sup> n<sub>-1</sub> MeV equiv/cm<sup>2</sup> total), which are particularly important at the inner radius of disk 1**



# BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y for Calorimetry & Imaging



Increased F/S ratio observed in BGRI BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y crystals: Proc. SPIE 10392 (2017)



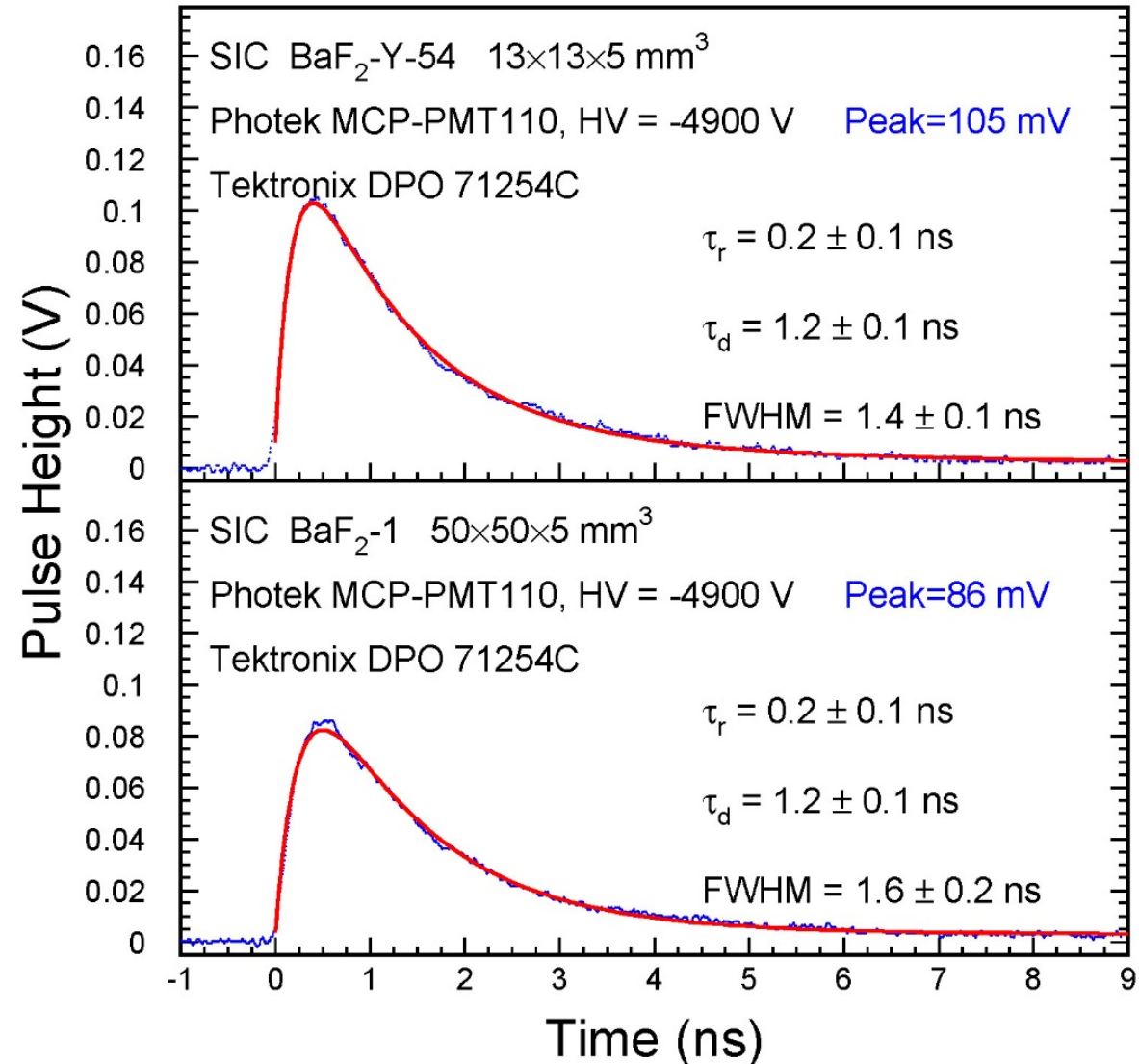
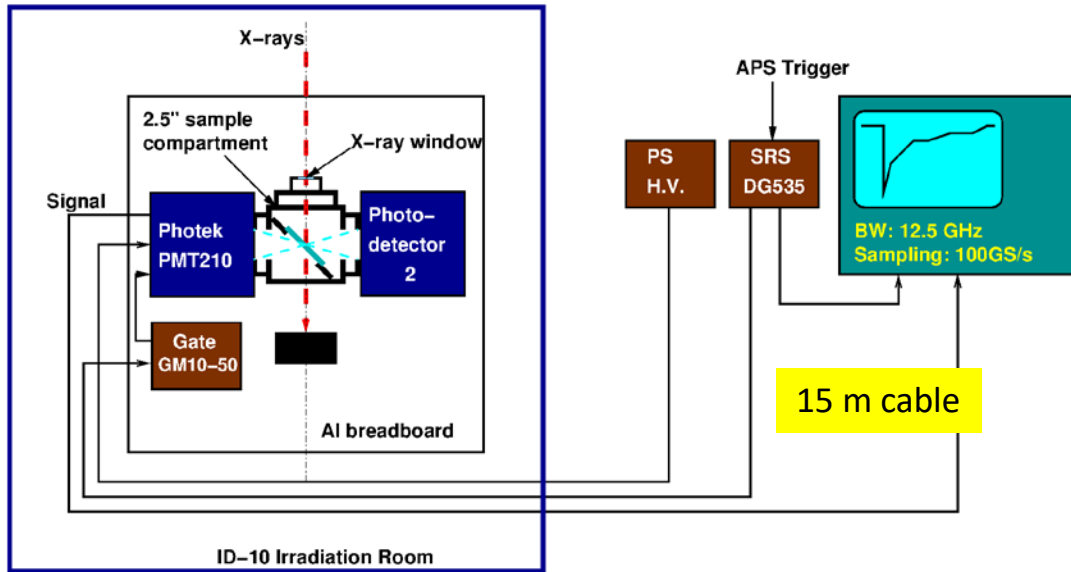
X-ray bunches with 2.83 ns spacing in septuplet are clearly resolved by ultrafast BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y and BaF<sub>2</sub> crystals: for GHz Hard X-ray Imaging NIMA 240 (2019) 223-239



# A Puzzle of Long Decay Observed at APS



NIM A 940 (2019) 223–229



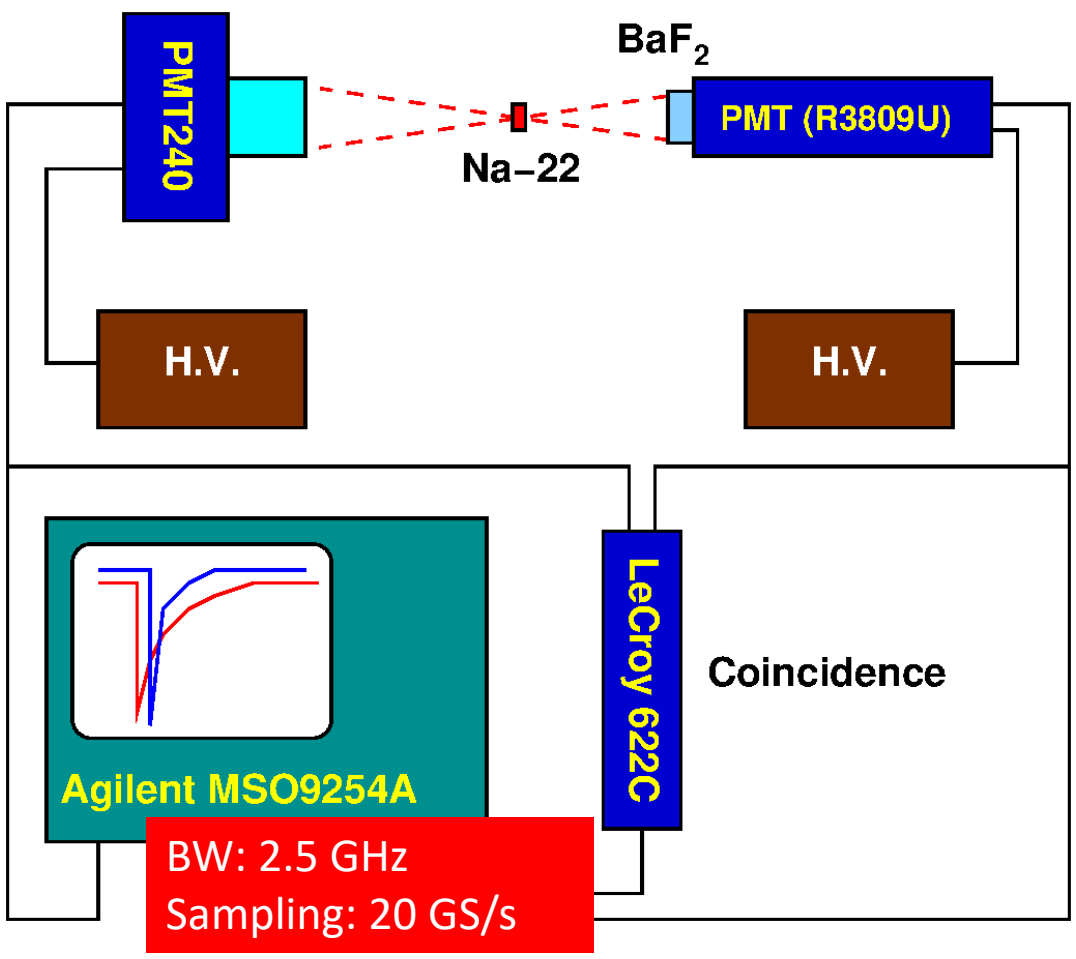
The decay time of BaF<sub>2</sub> measured at APS for septuplet X-ray bunches with 2.83 ns spacing is longer than 1 ns. This is suspected to be caused by the 15 m long cable used between the MCP-PMT and the MSO



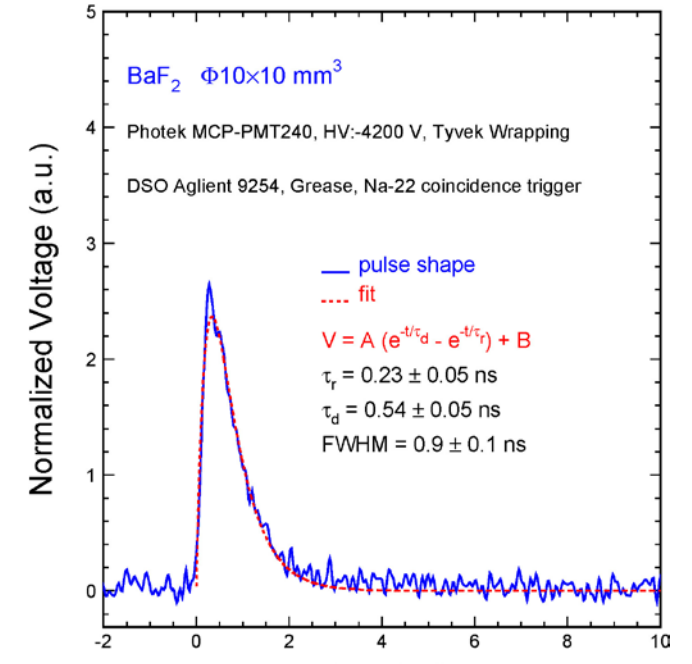
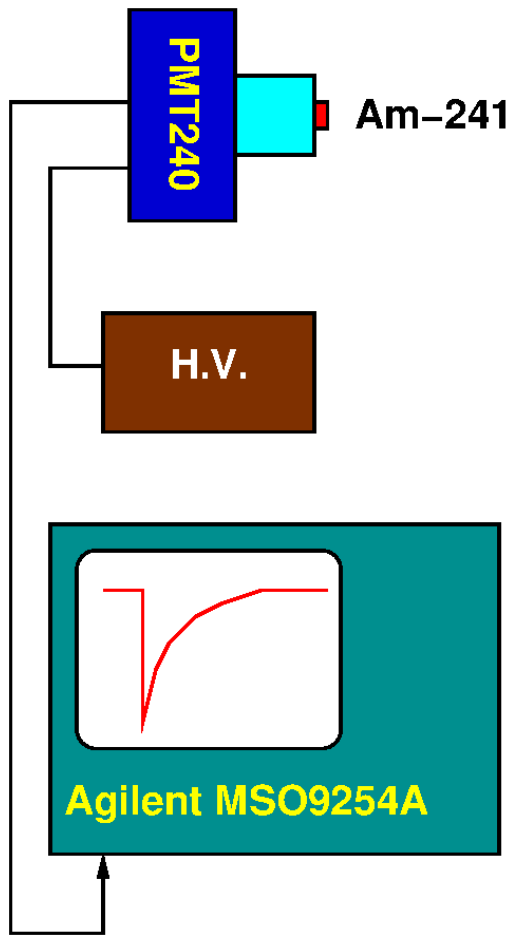
# An MCP-PMT 240-Based Test Bench



## Na-22 Coincidence Trigger



## Am-241 Self Trigger



Fitting:

$$V = A(e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_d}} - e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_r}}) + B$$

B: background noise  
or slow component,  
 $\tau_r$ : rise time,  
 $\tau_d$ : decay time.

Rise, decay and FWHM obtained by fitting temporal response

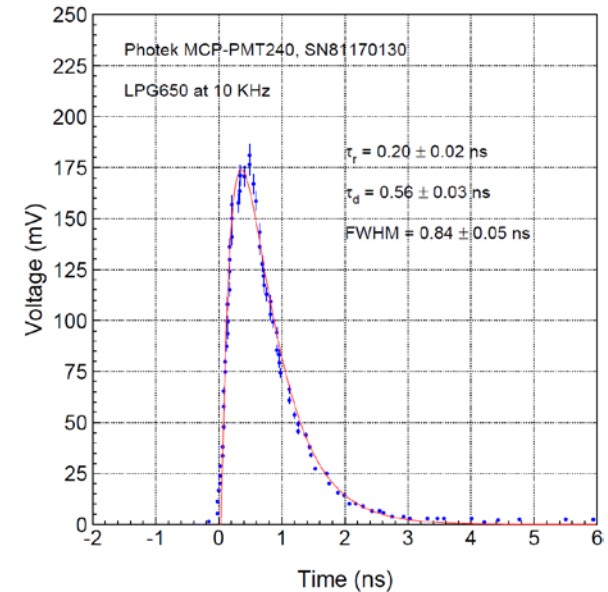
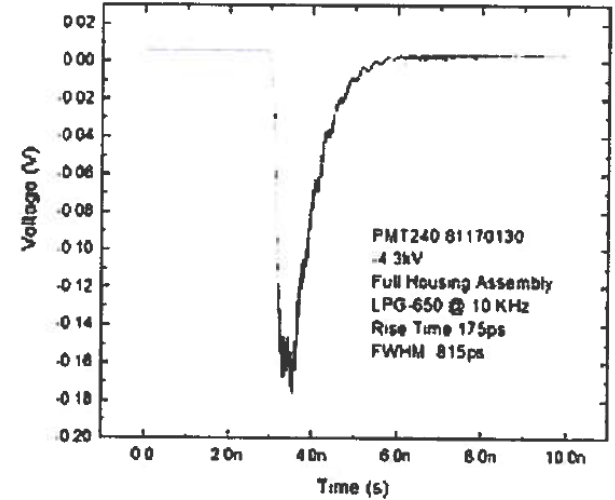


# MCP-PMT 240 Temporal Response



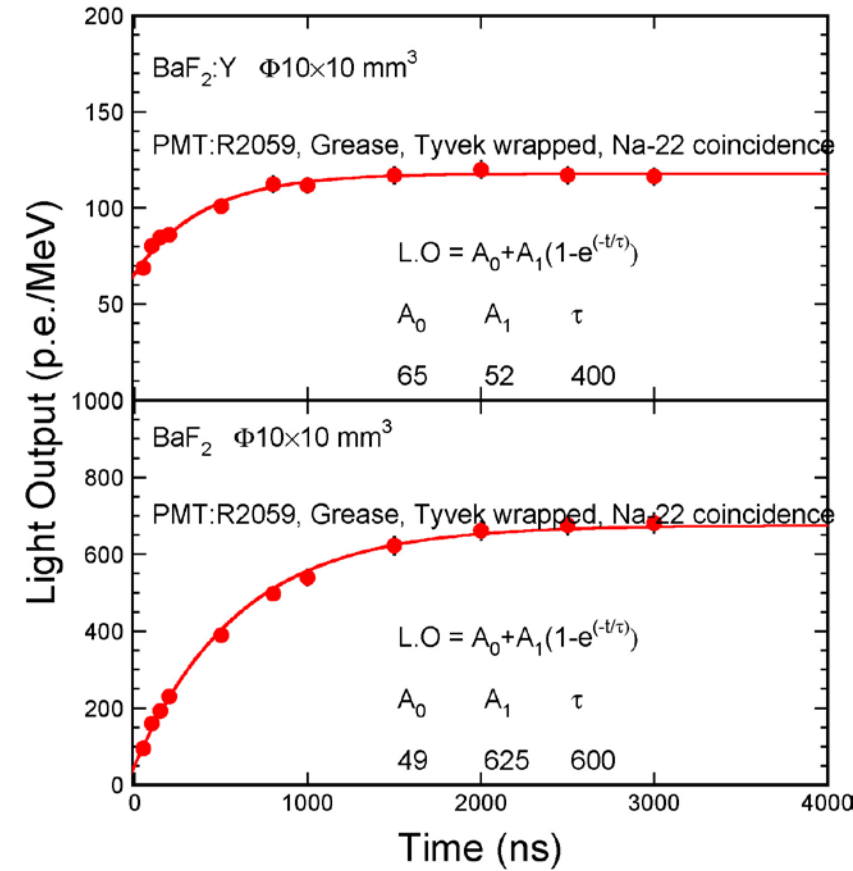
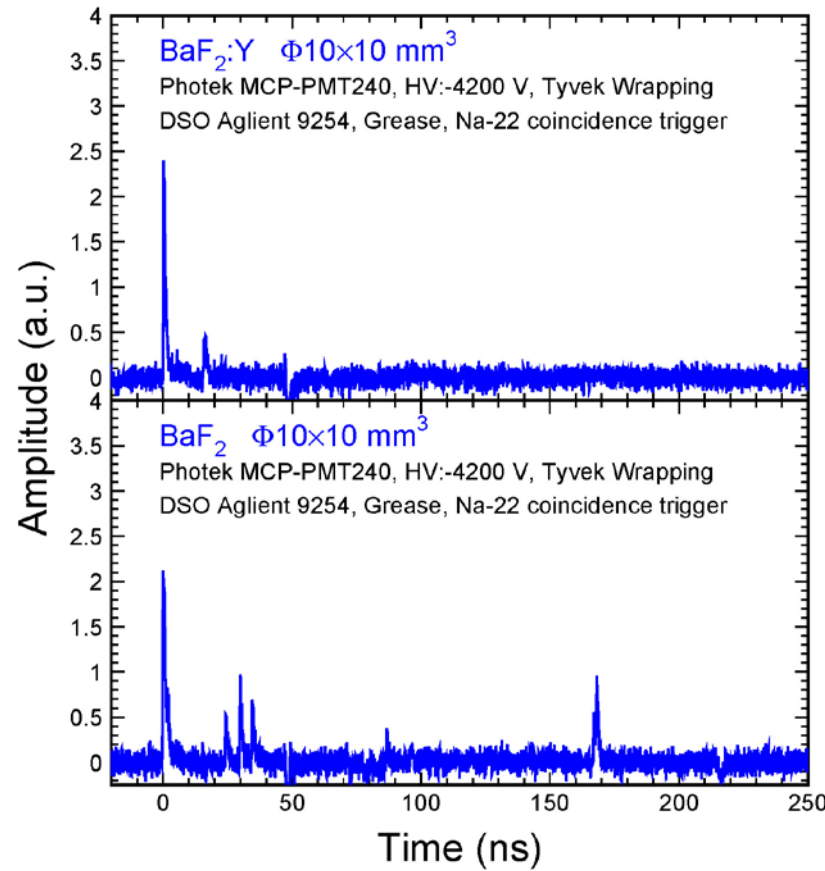
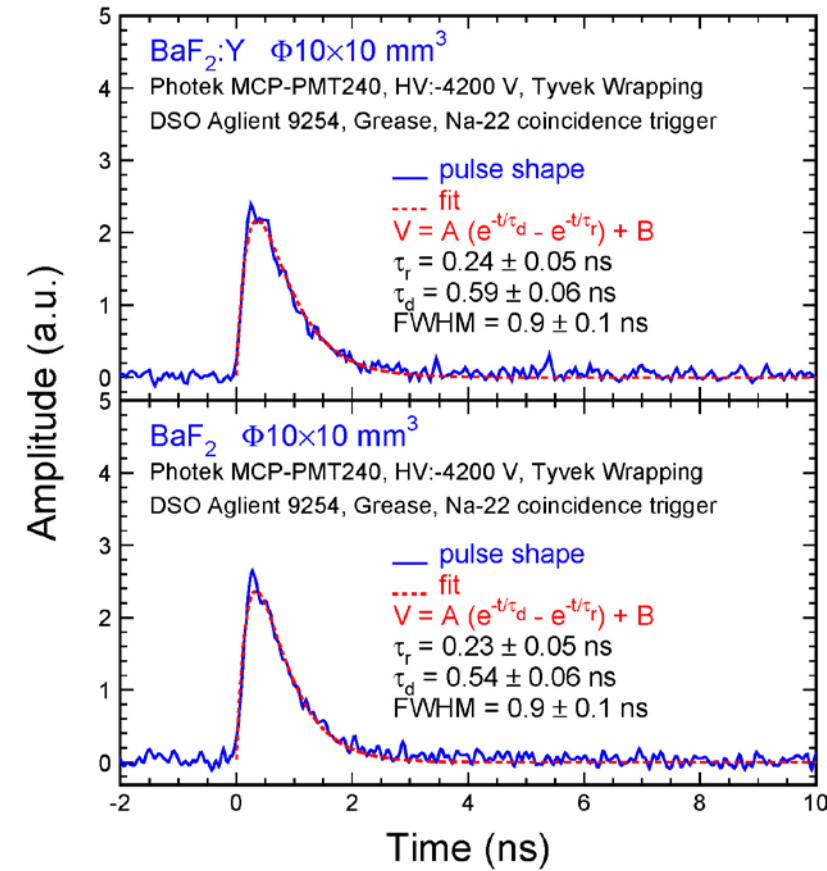
A fit to response of the Photek MCP-PMT 240 for pico-second laser pulses shows both the rise and FWHM consistent with the specification

Photodetector	Active diameter (mm)	Spectral range (nm)	Peak Sen. (nm)	Gain	Rise time (ns)	FWHM (ns)
<b>Photek MCP-PMT 240</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>160-850</b>	<b>280-450</b>	<b><math>1 \times 10^6</math></b>	<b>0.180</b>	<b>0.82</b>
Hamamatsu MCP-PMT R3809U-50	11	160-850	430	$3 \times 10^5$	0.160	0.30
Photek MCP-PMT 110	10	160-850	280-450	$1 \times 10^4$	0.065	0.11
Photek MCP-PMT 210	10	160-850	280-450	$1 \times 10^6$	0.085	0.15
Hamamatsu PMT R2059	46	160-650	450	$2 \times 10^7$	1.3	





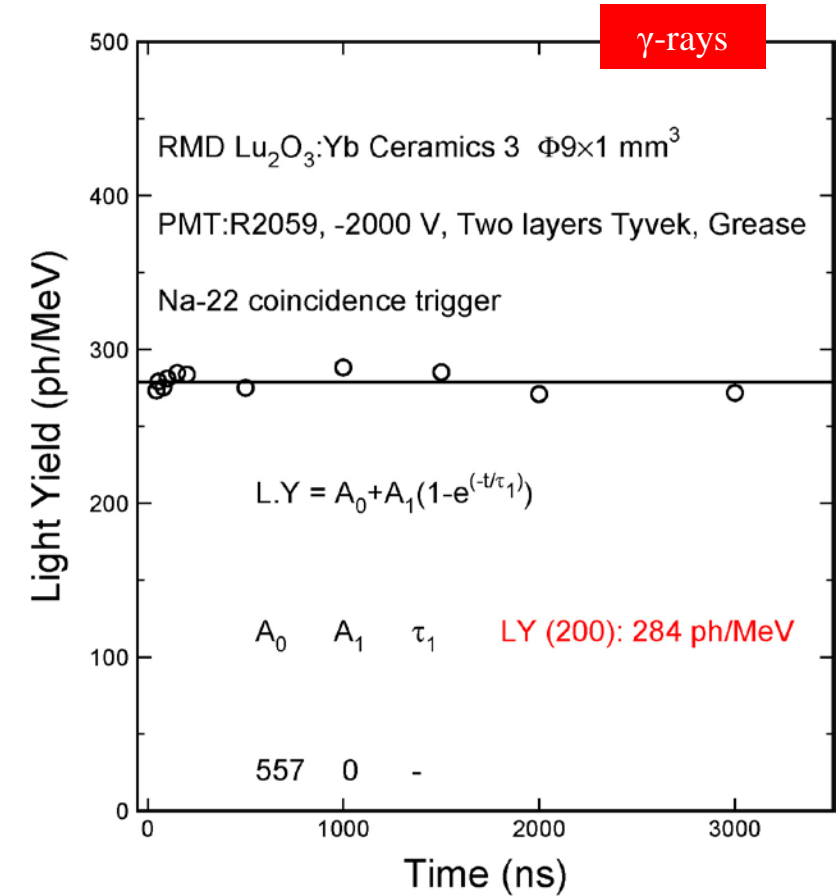
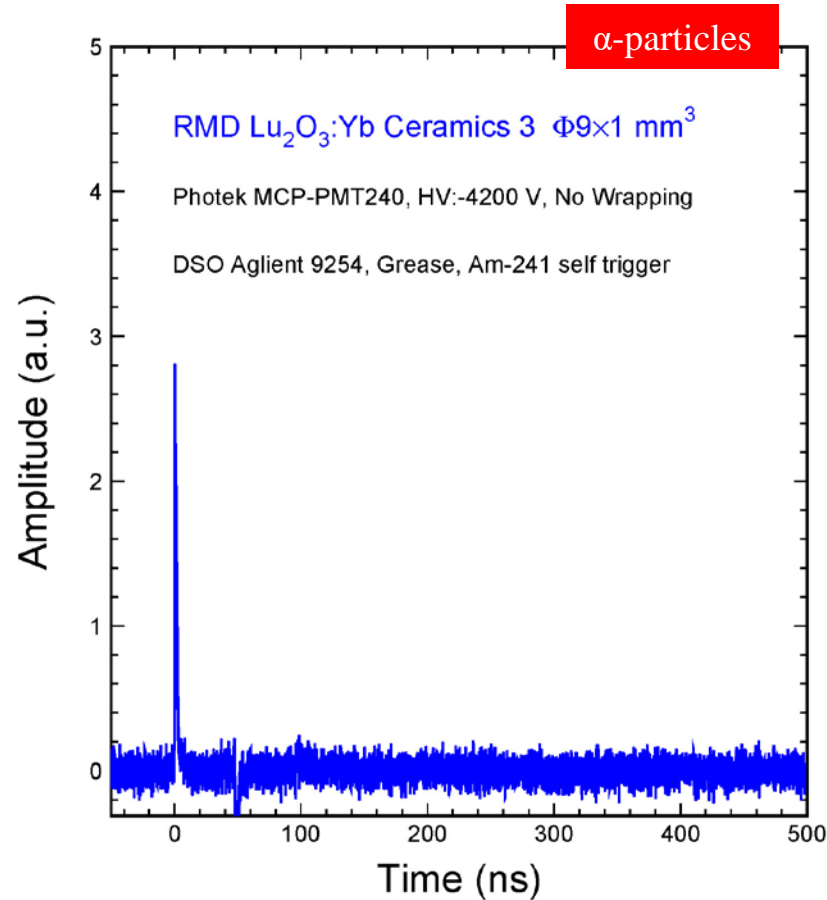
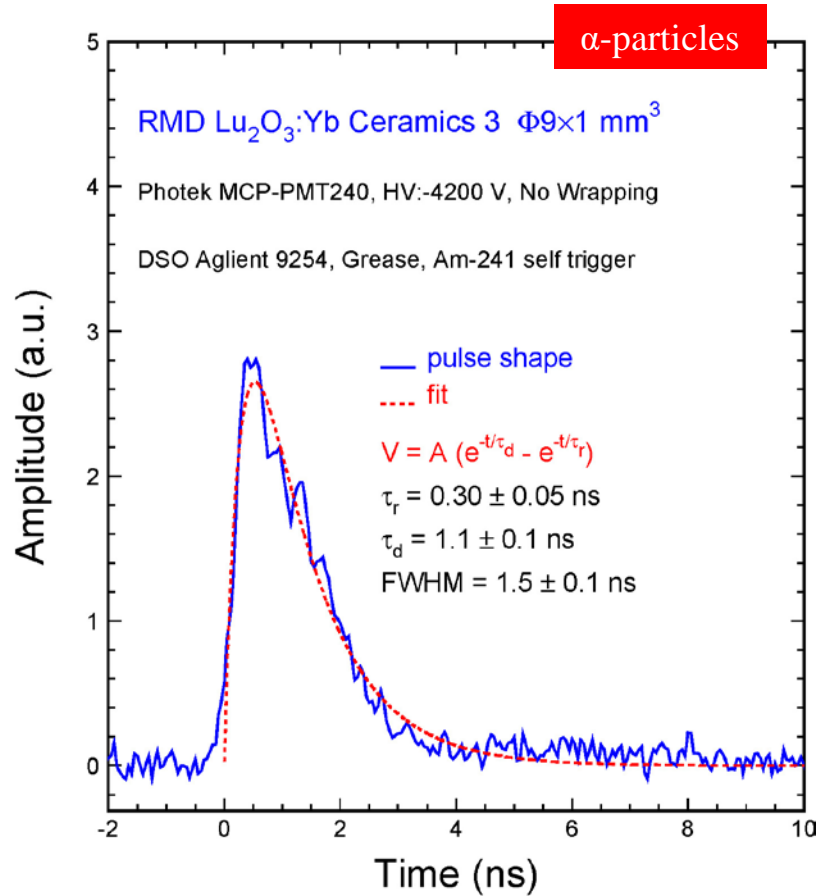
# Temporal Response: BaF<sub>2</sub> & BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y



Ultrafast response of 0.2/0.6/0.8 ns observed for BaF<sub>2</sub> and BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y crystals  
 The response is consistent with the Photek MCP-PMT 240 specification



# Temporal Response: $\text{Lu}_2\text{O}_3:\text{Yb}$ Ceramics



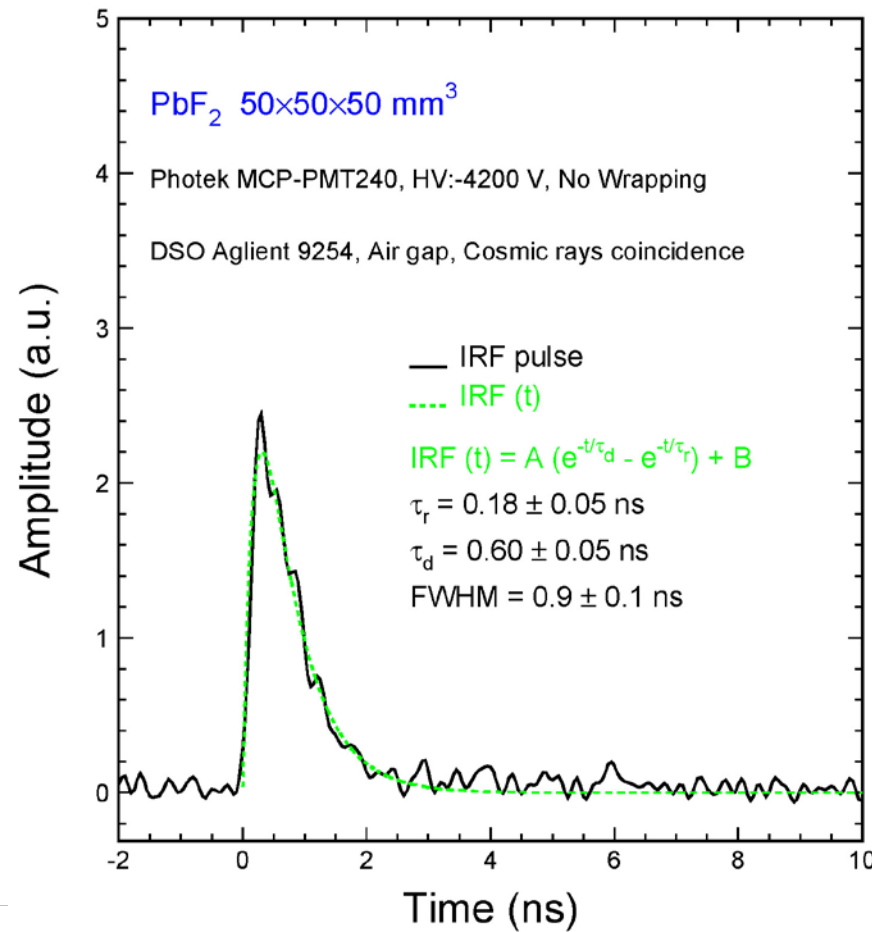
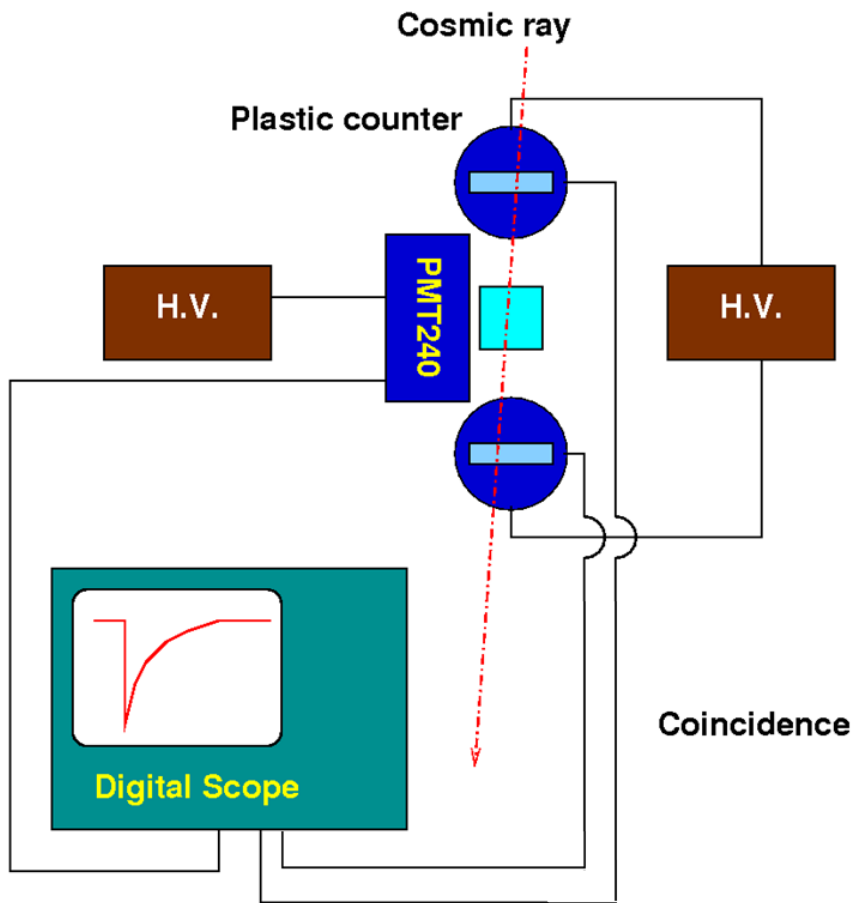
$\text{Lu}_2\text{O}_3:\text{Yb}$  ceramic of 9.4 g/cc shows an ultrafast decay time of 1.1 ns by Am-241 with negligible slow component observed in integrated light output measurement



# The Instrument Response Function



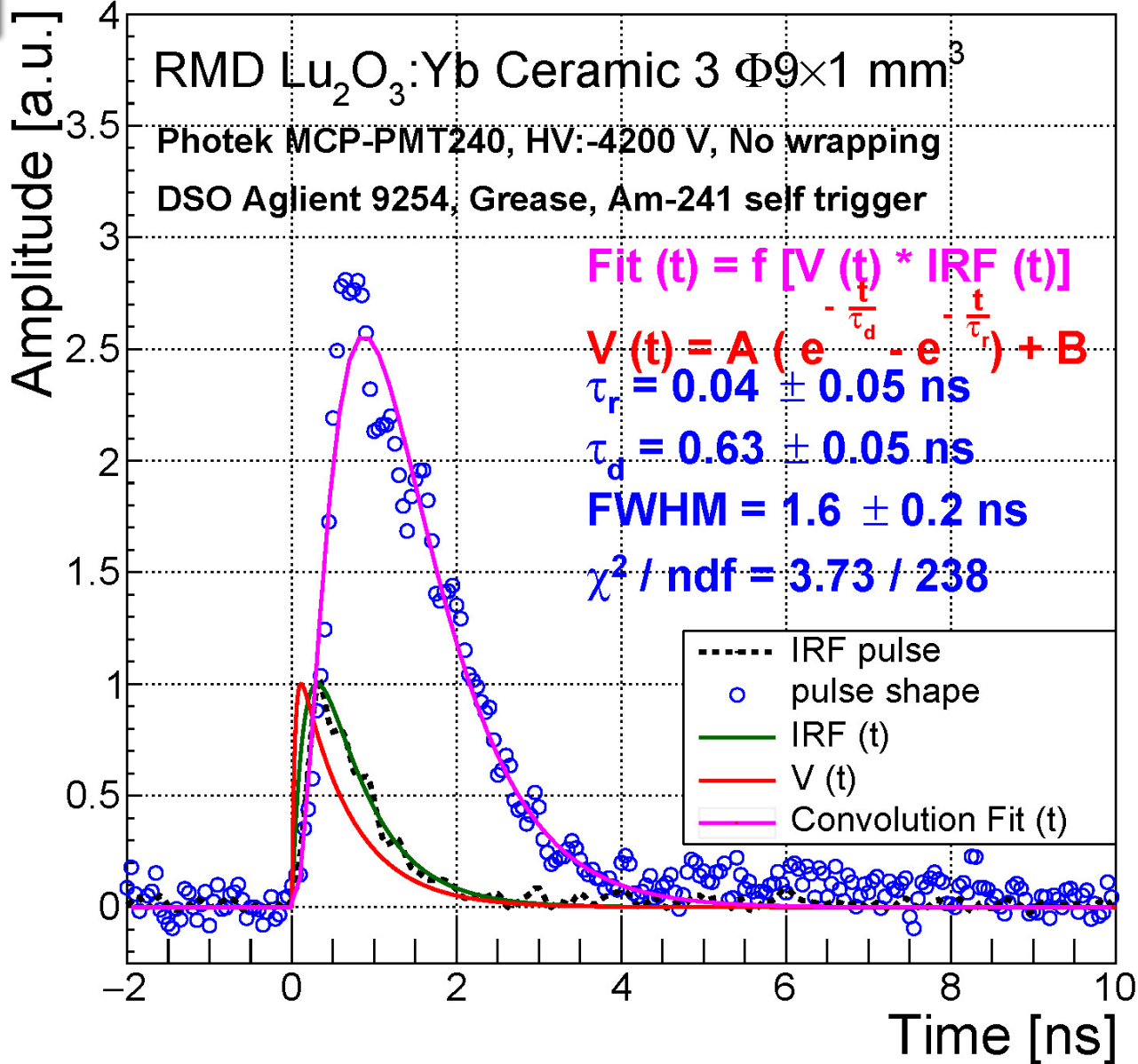
$$Fit(t) = f[V(t) * IRF(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} V(\tau) * IRF(t - \tau) d\tau$$



Intrinsic ultrafast response time can be extracted by taking out the IRF of the set-up. It was measured by fitting Cerenkov light pulse from a  $PbF_2$  crystal, which agrees well with Photek spec.



# Intrinsic Decay Time of $\text{Lu}_2\text{O}_3:\text{Yb}$



The magenta line shows the convolution fit. The numerical result of the fit after taking out the IRF are shown in blue

The result of the 0.63 ns decay time is the intrinsic decay time of  $\text{Lu}_2\text{O}_3:\text{Yb}$



# Fast and Ultrafast Inorganic Scintillators



arXiv: 2203.06788

	BaF <sub>2</sub>	BaF <sub>2</sub> :Y	Lu <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> :Yb	YAP:Yb	YAG:Yb	ZnO:Ga	β-Ga <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	LYSO:Ce	LuAG:Ce	YAP:Ce	GAGG:Ce	LuYAP:Ce	YSO:Ce
Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	4.89	4.89	9.42	5.35	4.56	5.67	5.94	7.4	6.76	5.35	6.5	7.2 <sup>f</sup>	4.44
Melting points (°C)	1280	1280	2490	1870	1940	1975	1725	2050	2060	1870	1850	1930	2070
X <sub>0</sub> (cm)	2.03	2.03	0.81	2.59	3.53	2.51	2.51	1.14	1.45	2.59	1.63	1.37	3.10
R <sub>M</sub> (cm)	3.1	3.1	1.72	2.45	2.76	2.28	2.20	2.07	2.15	2.45	2.20	2.01	2.93
λ <sub>1</sub> (cm)	30.7	30.7	18.1	23.1	25.2	22.2	20.9	20.9	20.6	23.1	21.5	19.5	27.8
Z <sub>eff</sub>	51.0	51.0	67.3	32.8	29.3	27.7	27.8	63.7	58.7	32.8	50.6	57.1	32.8
dE/dX (MeV/cm)	6.52	6.52	11.6	7.91	7.01	8.34	8.82	9.55	9.22	7.91	8.96	9.82	6.57
λ <sub>peak</sub> <sup>a</sup> (nm)	300 220	300 220	370	350	350	380	380	420	520	370	540	385	420
Refractive Index <sup>b</sup>	1.50	1.50	2.0	1.96	1.87	2.1	1.97	1.82	1.84	1.96	1.92	1.94	1.78
Normalized Light Yield <sup>a,c</sup>	42 4.8	1.7 4.8	0.95	0.19 <sup>d</sup>	0.36 <sup>d</sup>	2.6 <sup>d</sup> 4.0 <sup>d</sup>	6.5 0.5	100	35 <sup>e</sup> 48 <sup>e</sup>	9 32	190	16 15	80
Total Light yield (ph/MeV)	13,000 0	2,000	280	57 <sup>d</sup>	110 <sup>d</sup>	2,000 <sup>d</sup>	2,100	30,000	25,000 <sup>e</sup>	12,000	58,000	10,000	24,000
Decay time <sup>a</sup> (ns)	600 0.5	600 0.5	1.1 <sup>d</sup>	1.1 <sup>d</sup>	1.8 <sup>d</sup>	3.0 <sup>d</sup> 1.0 <sup>d</sup>	110 5.3	40	820 50	191 25	570 130	1485 36	75
LY in 1 <sup>st</sup> ns (photons/MeV)	1200	1200	170	34 <sup>d</sup>	46 <sup>d</sup>	980 <sup>d</sup>	43	740	240	391	400	125	318
LY in 1 <sup>st</sup> ns /Total LY (%)	9.0	64	60	60	43	49	2.0	2.5	1.2	3.3	0.7	1.4	1.3
40 keV Att. Leng. (1/e, mm)	0.106	0.106	0.127	0.314	0.439	0.407	0.394	0.185	0.251	0.314	0.319	0.214	0.334

<sup>a</sup> top/bottom row: slow/fast component; <sup>b</sup> at the emission peak; <sup>c</sup> normalized to LYSO:Ce; <sup>d</sup> excited by Alpha particles; <sup>e</sup> 0.3 Mg at% co-doping; <sup>f</sup> Lu<sub>0.7</sub>Y<sub>0.3</sub>AlO<sub>3</sub>:Ce.



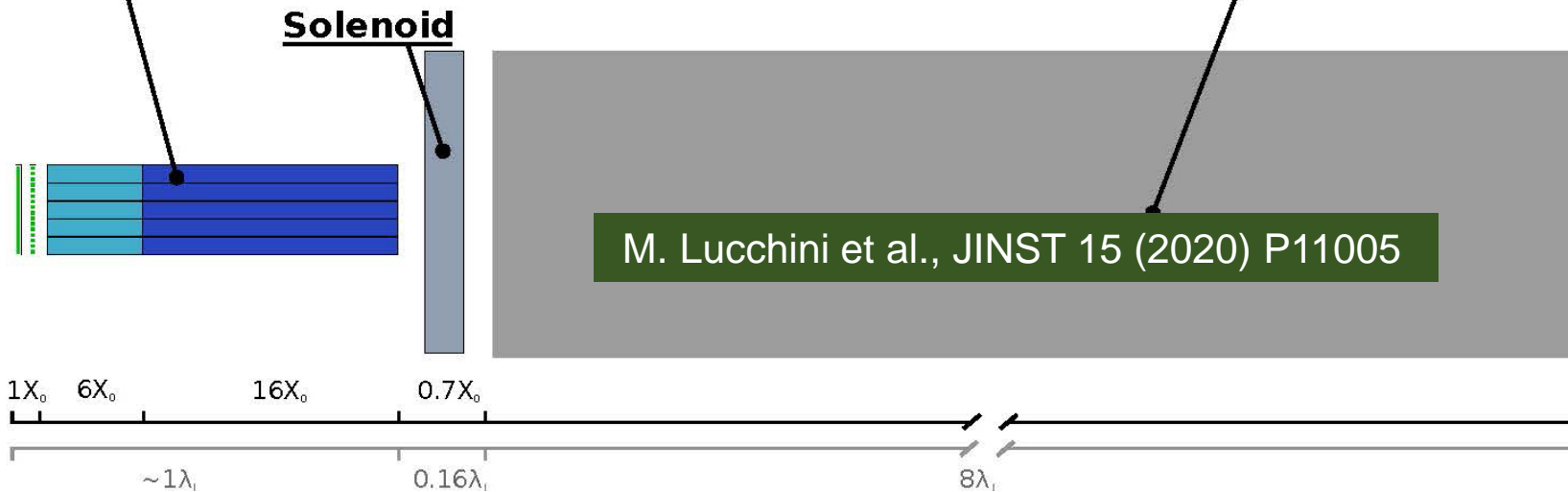
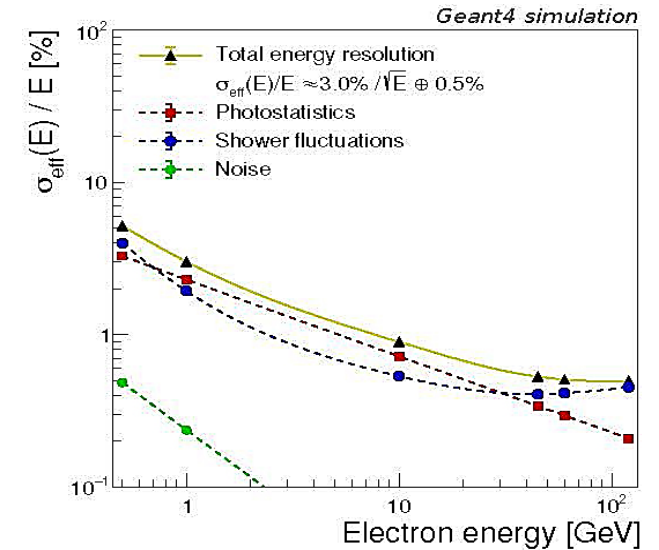
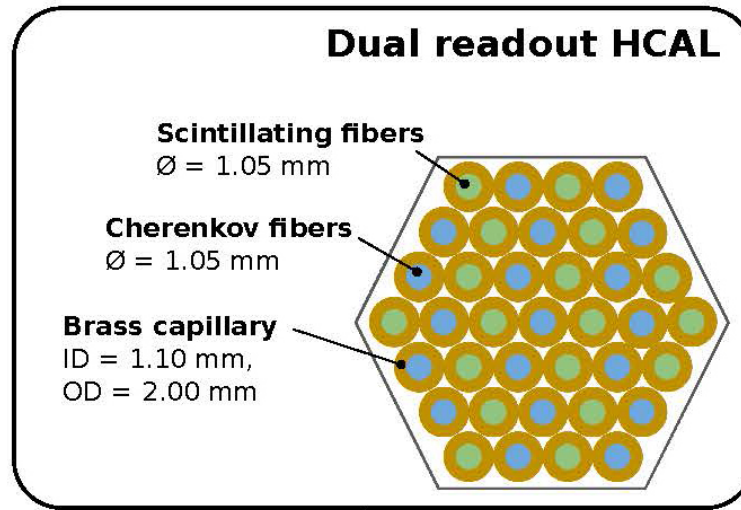
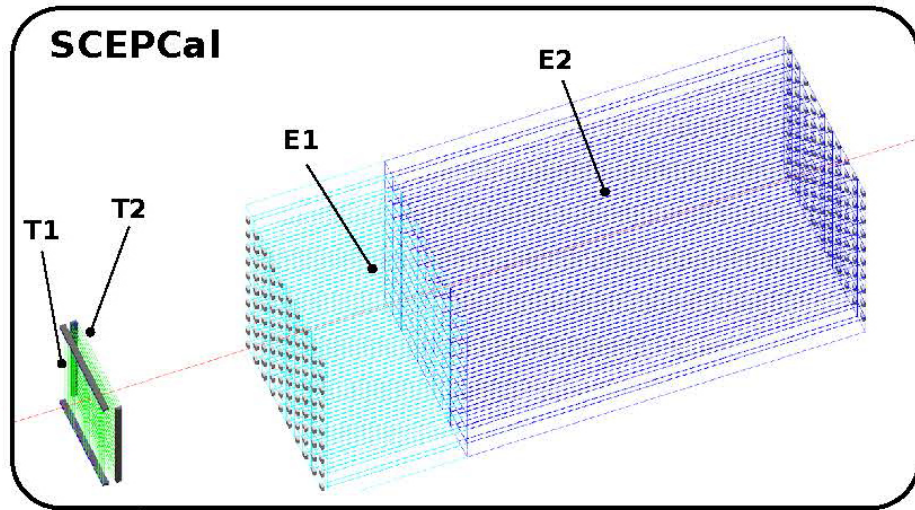


# CalVision: Segmented Crystal ECAL

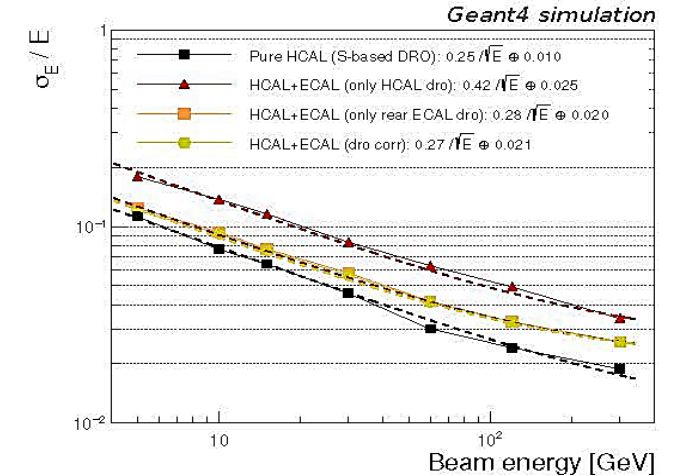


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Followed by the IDEA DR HCAL, aiming at both EM and jet resolution

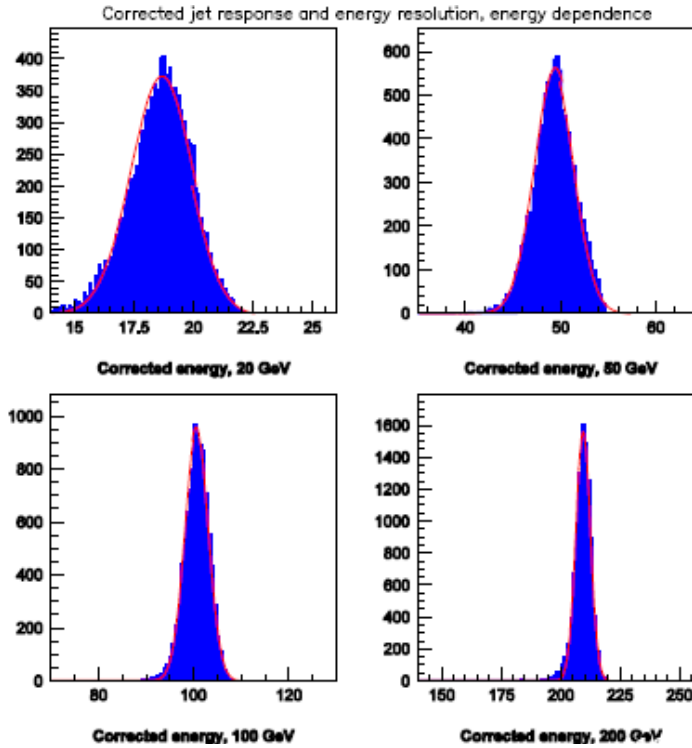
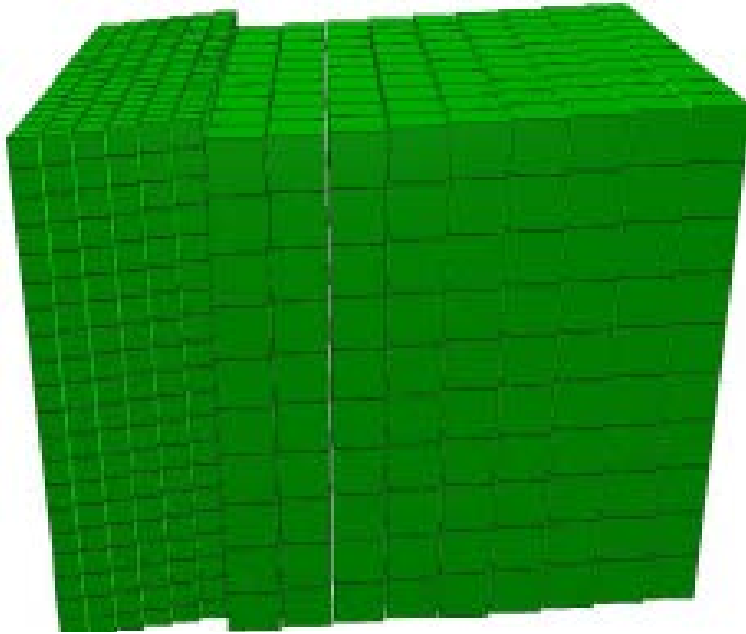


M. Lucchini et al., JINST 15 (2020) P11005

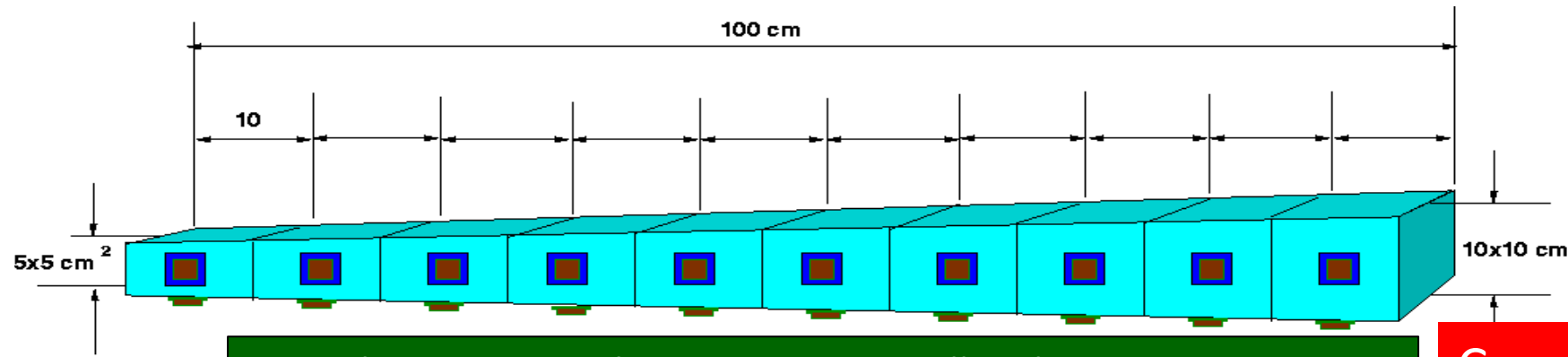
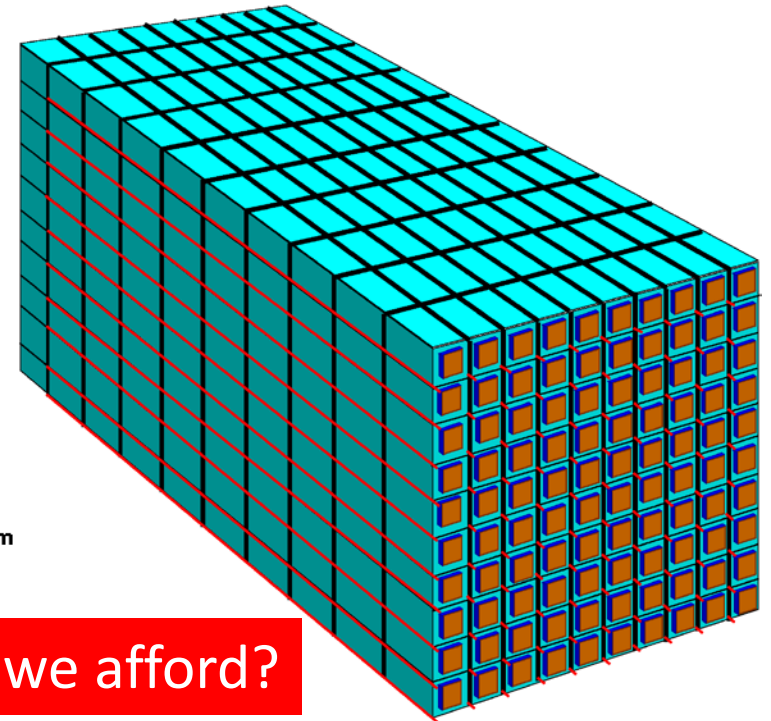




# The HHCAL Concept



A. Para, H. Wenzel and S. McGill in Callor2012 Proceedings and A. Benaglia *et al.*, IEEE TNS 63 (2016) 574-579: a jet energy resolution at a level of  $20\%/\sqrt{E}$  by HHCAL with dual readout of S/C or dual gate.  
M. Demarteau, 2021 CPAD Workshop



R.-Y. Zhu, ILCWS-8, Chicago: a HHCAL cell with pointing geometry

Can we afford?



# Inorganic Scintillators: HHCAL



arXiv.2203.06788

	BGO	BSO	PWO	PbF <sub>2</sub>	PbFCI	Sapphire :Ti	AFO Glass	DSB:Ce Glass <sup>1</sup>	BGS Glass <sup>2</sup>	ABS Glass <sup>3</sup>	DSB:Ce,Gd Glass <sup>4,5</sup>	HFG Glass <sup>6</sup>
Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	7.13	6.8	8.3	7.77	7.11	3.98	4.6	3.8	4.2	4.53	4.7 - 5.4 <sup>d</sup>	5.95
Melting point (°C)	1050	1030	1123	824	608	2040	980 <sup>7</sup>	1420 <sup>8</sup>	1550	?	1420 <sup>8</sup>	570
X <sub>0</sub> (cm)	1.12	1.15	0.89	0.94	1.05	7.02	2.96	3.36	2.62	2.41	2.14	1.74
R <sub>M</sub> (cm)	2.23	2.33	2.00	2.18	2.33	2.88	2.90	3.52	3.33	3.09	2.56	2.45
λ <sub>l</sub> (cm)	22.7	23.4	20.7	22.4	24.3	24.2	26.4	32.8	31.8	28.8	24.2	23.2
Z <sub>eff</sub> value	71.5	73.8	73.6	76.7	74.7	11.1	41.4	42.9	49.6	51.9	47.2	55.7
dE/dX (MeV/cm)	8.99	8.59	10.1	9.42	8.68	6.75	6.84	5.56	5.90	6.42	7.68	8.24
Emission Peak <sup>a</sup> (nm)	480	470	425 420	\	420	300 750	365	440	430	396	440 460	325
Refractive Index <sup>b</sup>	2.15	2.68	2.20	1.82	2.15	1.76	\	\	\	\	\	1.50
LY (ph/MeV) <sup>c</sup>	7,500	1,500	130	\	150	7,900	450	~500	2,500	800	1,300	150
Decay Time <sup>a</sup> (ns)	300	100	30 10	\	3	300 3200	40	180 30	400 90	1200 260	120, 400 50	25 8
d(LY)/dT (%/°C) <sup>c</sup>	-0.9	?	-2.5	\	?	?	?	-0.04	0.3	?	?	-0.37
Cost (\$/cc)	6.0	7.0	7.5	6.0	?	0.6	?	2.0	2.0	?	2.0	?

- Top line: slow component, bottom line: fast component.
- At the wavelength of the emission maximum.
- At room temperature (20°C) with PMT QE taken out.
- Gd loaded.

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# Summary

The HL-LHC and FCC-hh require fast and radiation hard inorganic scintillator. The **RADiCAL** concept uses LuAG:Ce ceramics as wavelength shifter for LYSO:Ce crystals for an ultra-compact, fast timing and longitudinally segmented shashlik calorimeter. R&D is on-going to suppress the slow components in LuAG:Ce.

An ultrafast BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y calorimeter is proposed for **Mu2e-II**. R&D is on-going to investigate radiation hardness of large size BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y crystals.

A longitudinally segmented **Calvision** crystal ECAL with dual readout combined with the IDEA HCAL promises excellent EM and Hadronic resolutions for the proposed Higgs factory.

Homogeneous HCAL (**HHCAL**) promises the best jet mass resolution by total absorption. Crucial R&D is needed for cost-effective mass-produced inorganic scintillators

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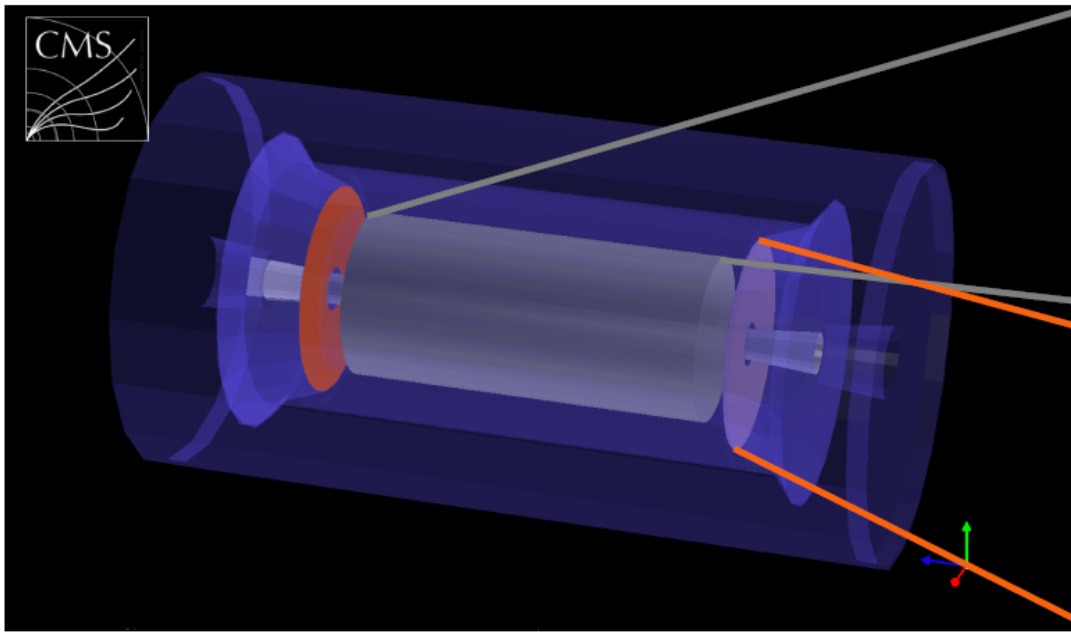
# LYSO:Ce for CMS MIP Timing Detector



MTD performance goal: 30-40 ps at the start degrading to  $< 60$  ps at  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

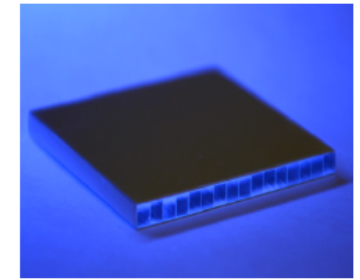
Barrel Timing Layer: arrays of LYSO crystal bars connected to SiPMs at both ends and readout by TOFHIR

Ultrafast inorganic scintillators would help to break the pico-second time barrier



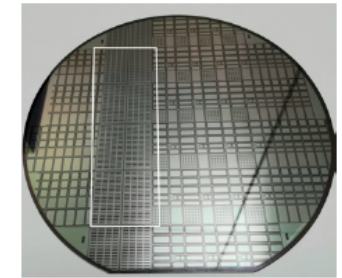
### BTL: LYSO bars + SiPM read-out

- ▷ TK / ECAL interface  $\sim 45$  mm thick
- ▷  $|\eta| < 1.45$  and  $p_T > 0.7$  GeV
- ▷ Active area  $\sim 38 \text{ m}^2$ ; 332k channels
- ▷ Fluence at  $3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ :  $2 \times 10^{14} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$



### ETL: Si with internal gain (LGAD)

- ▷ On the HGC nose  $\sim 65$  mm thick
- ▷  $1.6 < |\eta| < 3.0$
- ▷ Active area  $\sim 14 \text{ m}^2$ ;  $\sim 8.5\text{M}$  channels
- ▷ Fluence at  $3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ : up to  $2 \times 10^{15} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$



LYSO + SiPM with Thermal Electric Cooler (TEC) for CMS Barrel Timing Layer (BTL) in construction



SiPM array prototypes from FBK



SiPM arrays mockup for TECs testing



# Expected Radiation for CMS MTD



CMS BTL/EMEC: 4.8/68 Mrad,  $2.5/21 \times 10^{13}$  p/cm<sup>2</sup> &  $3.2/24 \times 10^{14}$  n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup>

CMS MTD	$\eta$	n <sub>eq</sub> (cm <sup>-2</sup> )	n <sub>eq</sub> Flux (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	Proton (cm <sup>-2</sup> )	p Flux (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	Dose (Mrad)	Dose rate (rad/h)
Barrel	0.00	2.5E+14	2.8E+06	2.2E+13	2.4E+05	2.7	108
Barrel	1.15	2.7E+14	3.0E+06	2.4E+13	2.6E+05	3.8	150
<b>Barrel</b>	<b>1.45</b>	<b>2.9E+14</b>	<b>3.2E+06</b>	<b>2.5E+13</b>	<b>2.8E+05</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>192</b>
Endcap	1.60	2.3E+14	2.5E+06	2.0E+13	2.2E+05	2.9	114
Endcap	2.00	4.5E+14	5.0E+06	3.9E+13	4.4E+05	7.5	300
Endcap	2.50	1.1E+15	1.3E+07	9.9E+13	1.1E+06	26	1020
<b>Endcap</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>2.4E+15</b>	<b>2.7E+07</b>	<b>2.1E+14</b>	<b>2.3E+06</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>2700</b>

Much higher at FCC-hh: up to 0.1/500 Grad and  $3/500 \times 10^{16}$  n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup> at EMEC/EMF  
Aleksa *et al.*, Calorimeters for the FCC-hh CERN-FCCPHYS-2019-0003, Dec 23, 2019

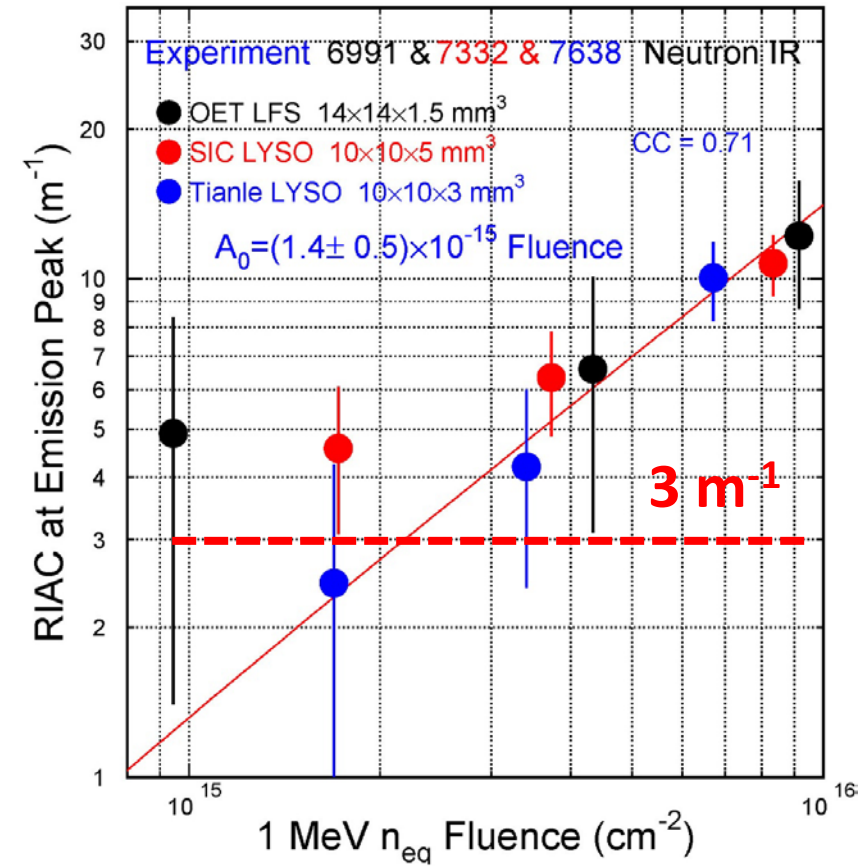
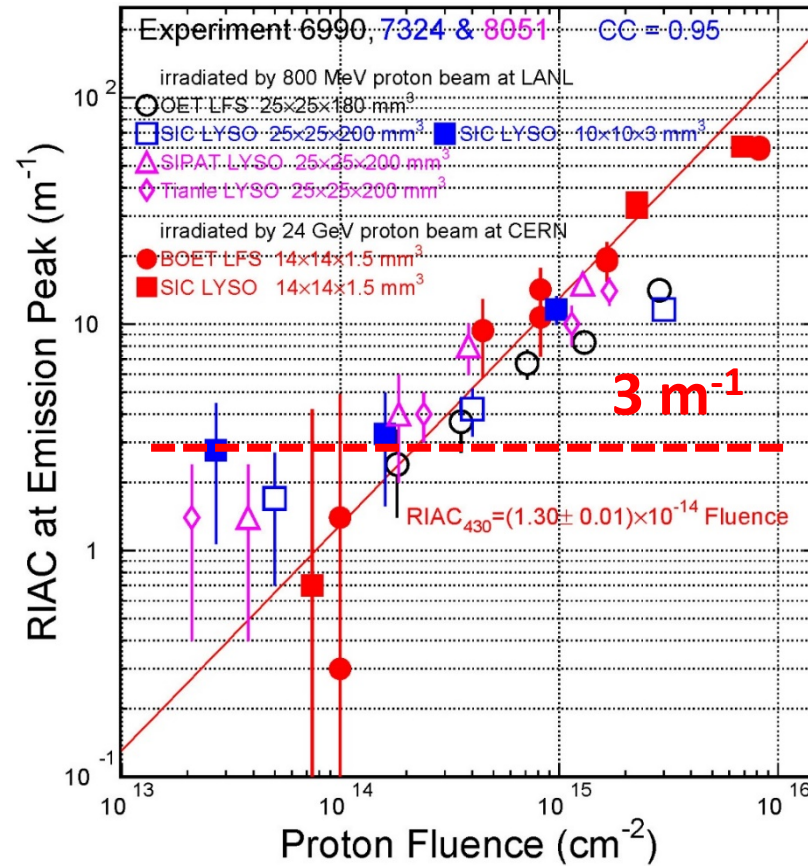
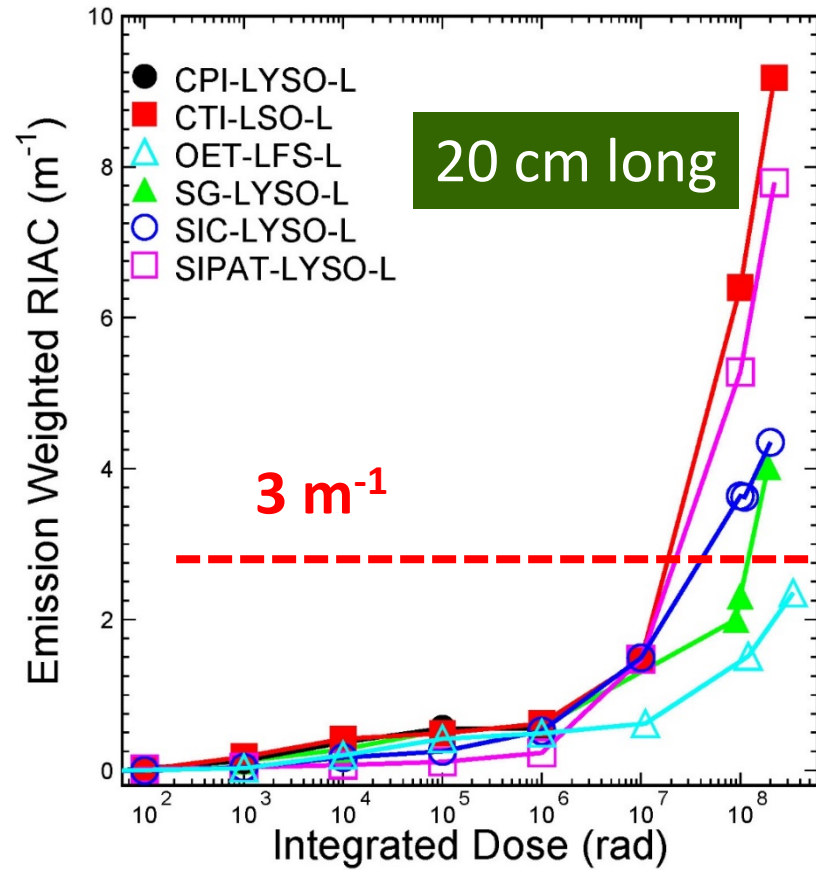


# LYSO:Ce Radiation Hardness



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CMS LYSO spec: RIAC <math> < 3 \text{ m}^{-1}</math> after 4.8 Mrad,  $2.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ p/cm}^2$  and  $3.2 \times 10^{14} \text{ n}_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$



Damage induced by protons larger than that from neutrons  
 Due to ionization energy loss in addition to displacement and nuclear breakup



# Ultrafast and Radiation Hard BaF<sub>2</sub>

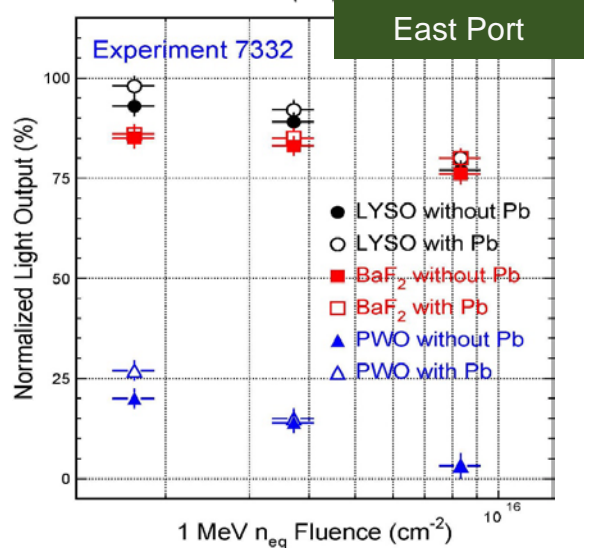
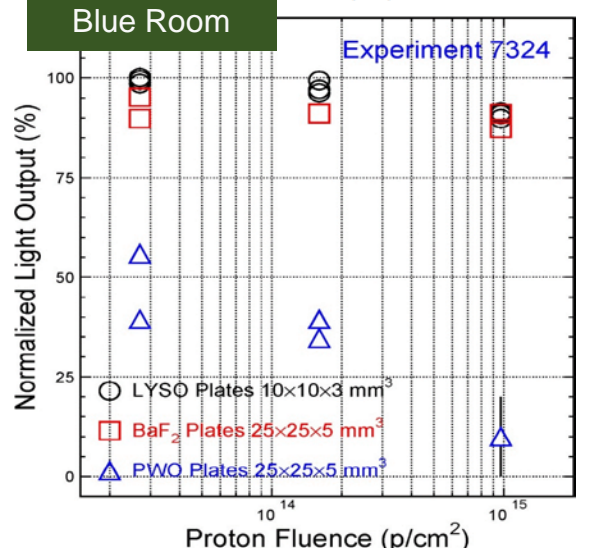
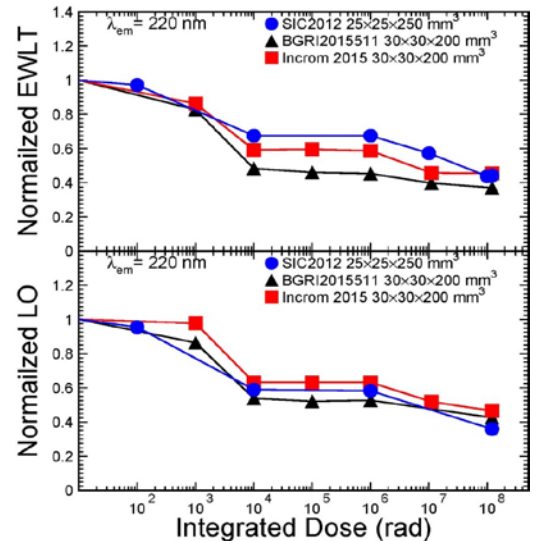
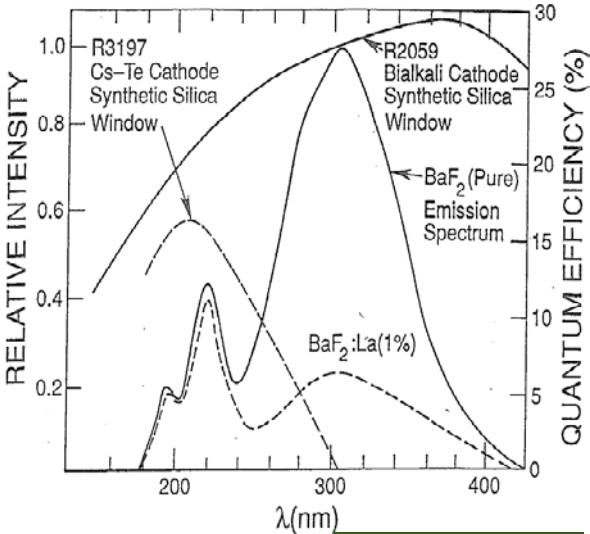
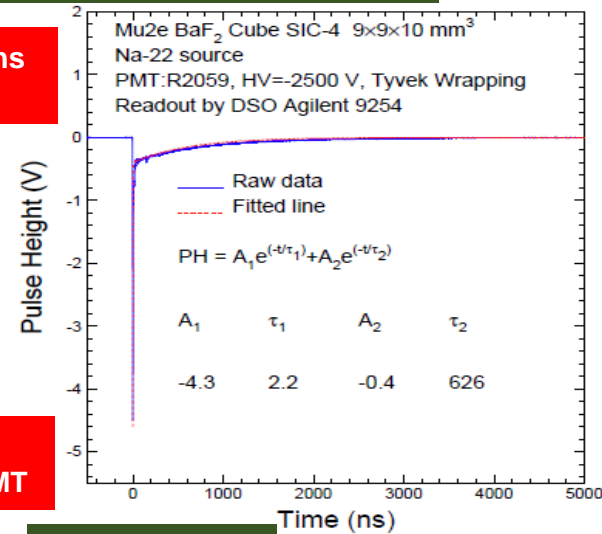
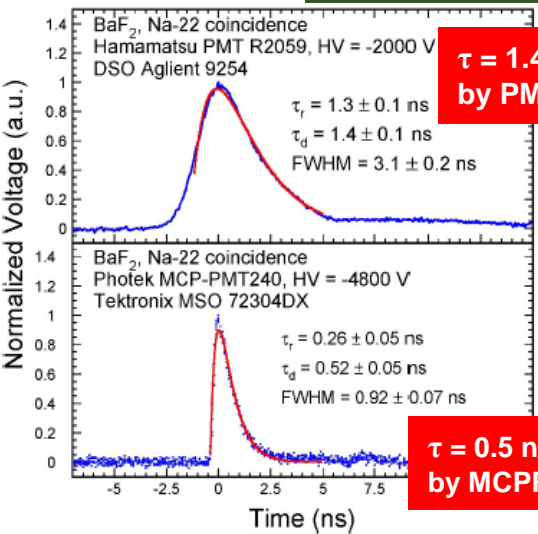


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BaF<sub>2</sub> has an ultrafast scintillation component @ 220 nm with **0.5 ns** decay time and a much larger slow component @ 300 nm with 600 ns decay time.  
Slow suppression may be achieved by rare earth doping, and/or solar-blind photo-detectors

BaF<sub>2</sub> shows saturated damage from 10 krad to 100 Mrad, indicating good radiation resistance against  $\gamma$ -rays  
BaF<sub>2</sub> also survives after proton irradiation up to  $9.7 \times 10^{14}$  p/cm<sup>2</sup>, and neutron irradiation up to  $8.3 \times 10^{15}$  n<sub>eq</sub>/cm<sup>2</sup>



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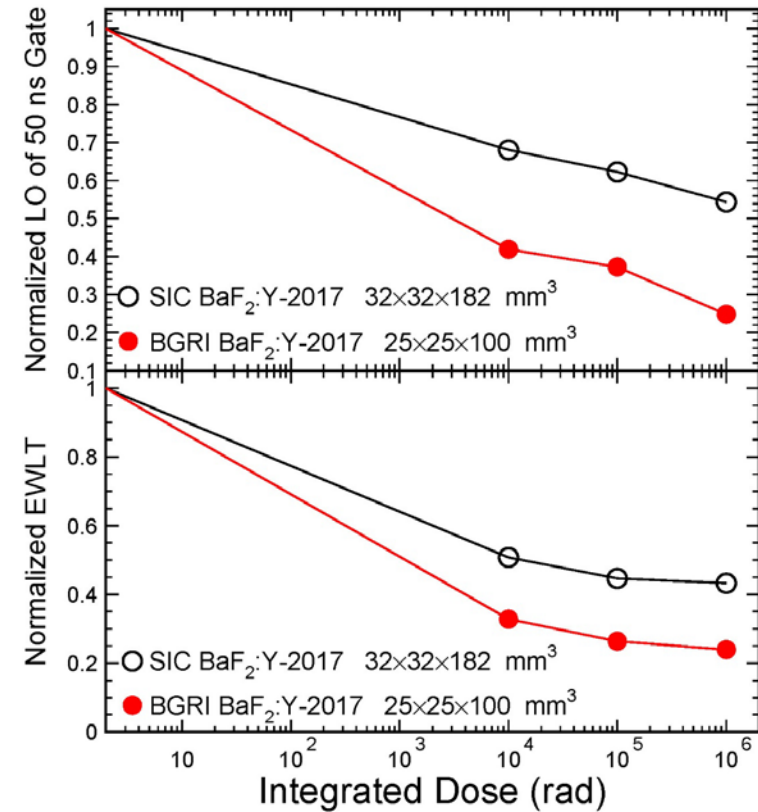
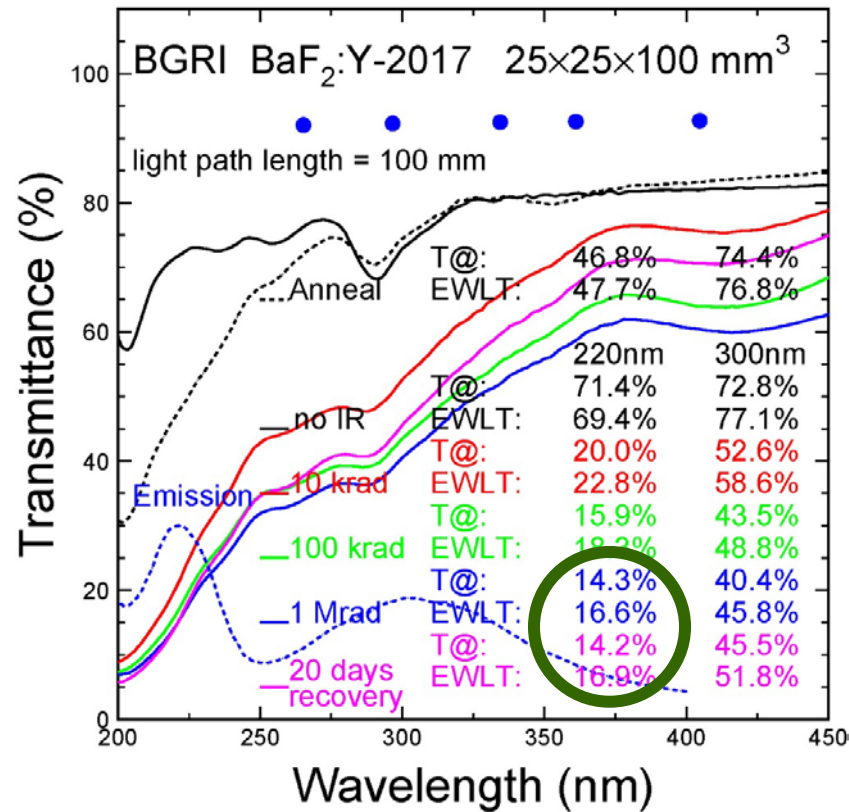
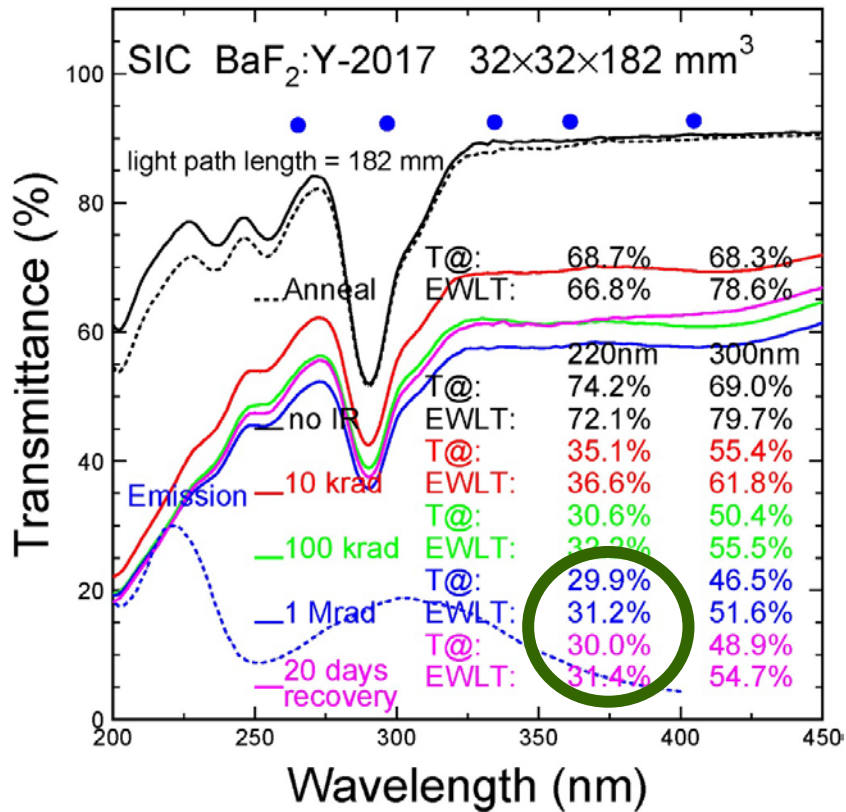




# 1 Mrad Damage in Long BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y



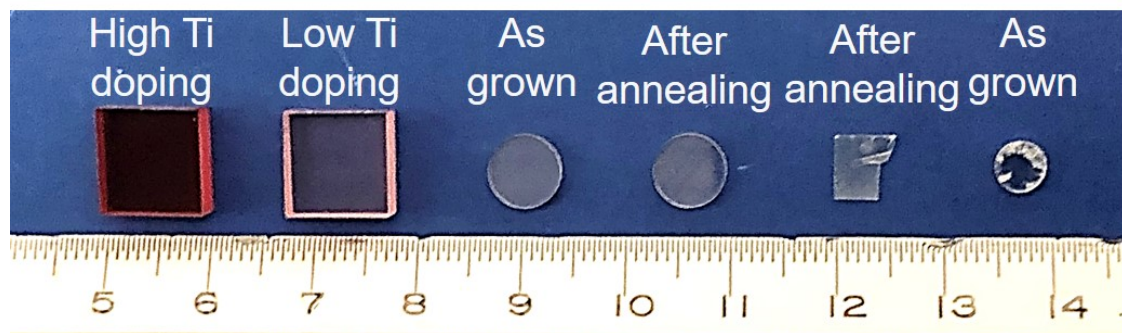
SIC 2017 BaF<sub>2</sub>:Y sample shows a similar performance as BaF<sub>2</sub> crystals  
Recovery is very small for the fast scintillation component



Diverse crystal quality at this stage of R&D, needs improvement



# Sapphire:Ti Emission and Transmittance



A weak emission at 325 nm with 150 ns decay time  
 A strong emission at 755 nm with 3  $\mu$ s decay time

ID	Dimension (mm <sup>3</sup> )	#	Polishing
Tongji Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> :Ti-1,2	10×10×4	2	Two faces
Tongji Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> :C-1,2	Φ7×1	2	Two faces
Tongji Lu <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> :Yb	6.4×4.8×0.4	1	Two faces
Tongji LuScO <sub>3</sub> :Yb	Φ4.8×1.3	1	Two faces

Fast @325 nm

Slow @755 nm

EWLT for Fast & Slow

Fast = 162 ns

Slow = 3.2  $\mu$ s

