

# Test-beam measurements of instrumented sensor planes for a highly compact and granular electromagnetic calorimeter

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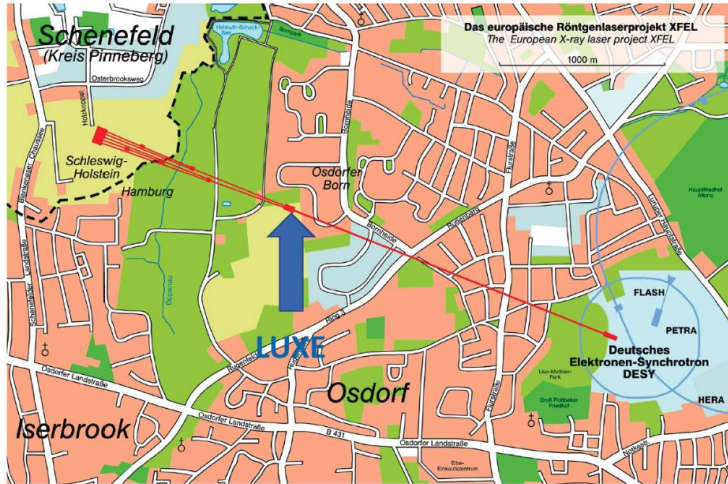
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# LUXE (Laser Und XFEL Experiment)

**Mission:** Observe the behavior of QED in the strong field non-perturbative regime.

European XFEL + High-intensity laser



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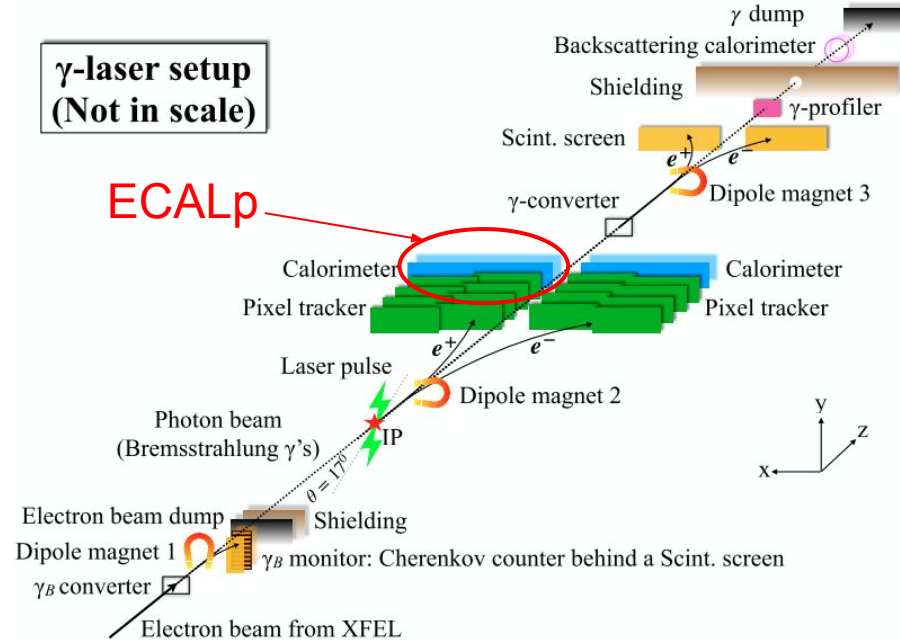
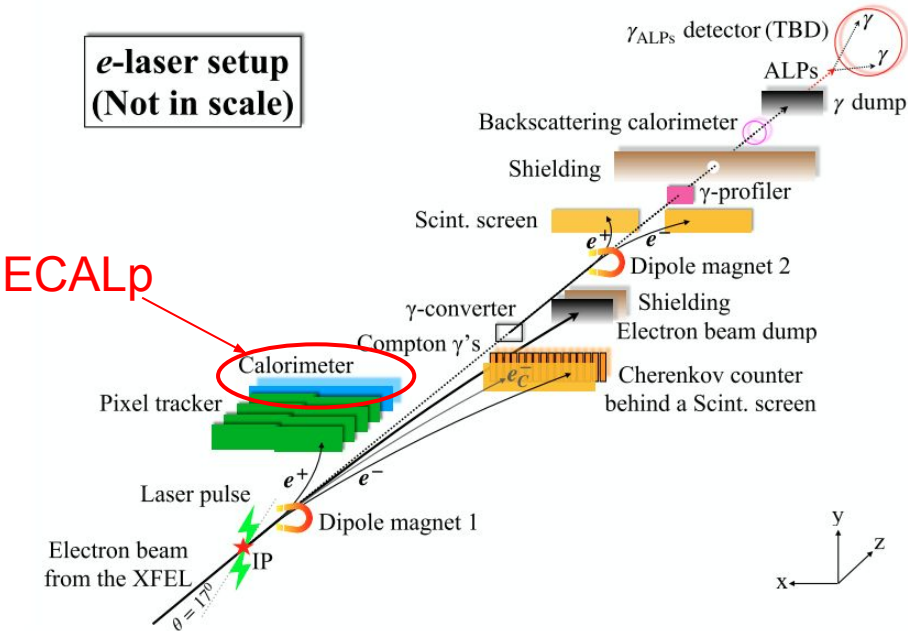
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# Two modes for the experiment



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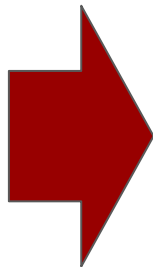
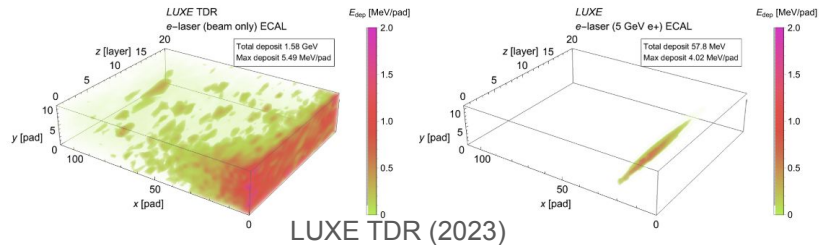
# The ECAL-P group

## Participating institutes



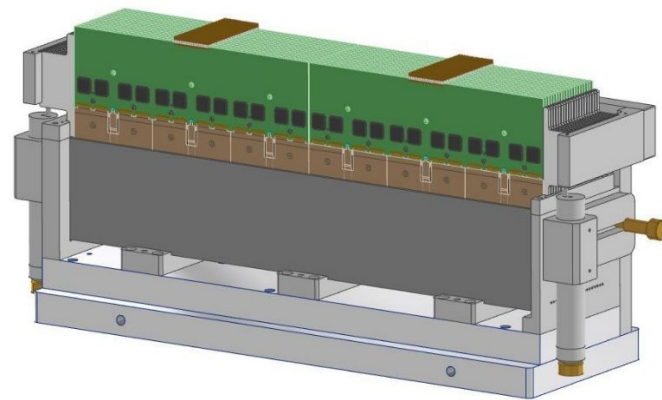
## Challenges

- Two modes with expected fluxes varying from  $10^{-4}$  to  $10^5$
- EM shower overlap at high multiplicity
- Low multiplicity showers immersed in low energy widely spread background



## Solutions

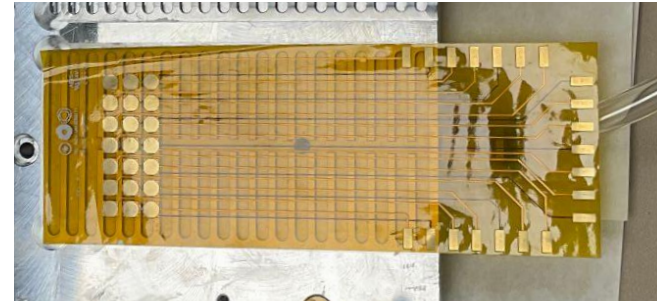
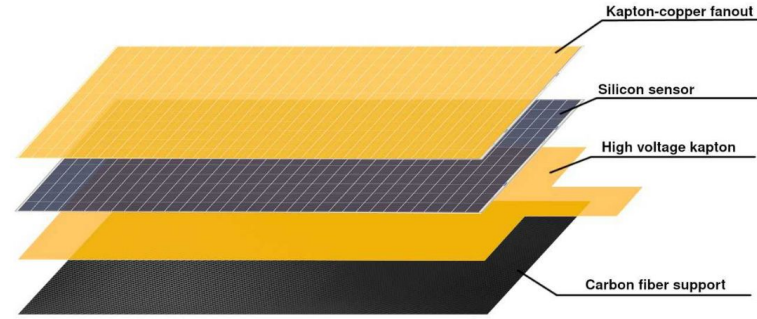
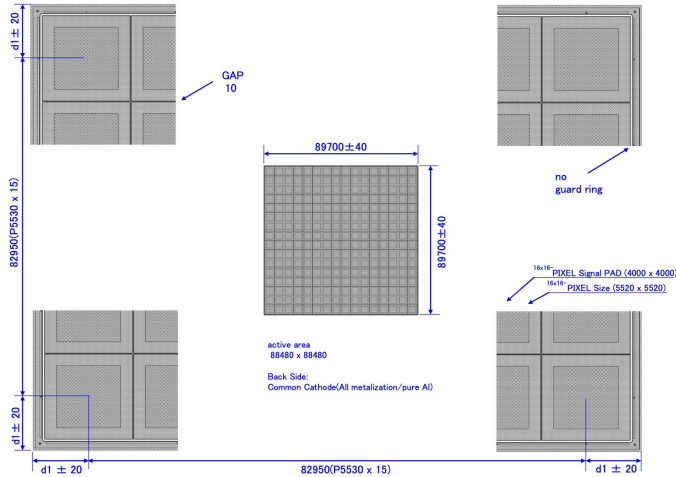
- Compact sampling calorimeter
- Small Molière radius
- High granularity



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## Sensors: Silicon

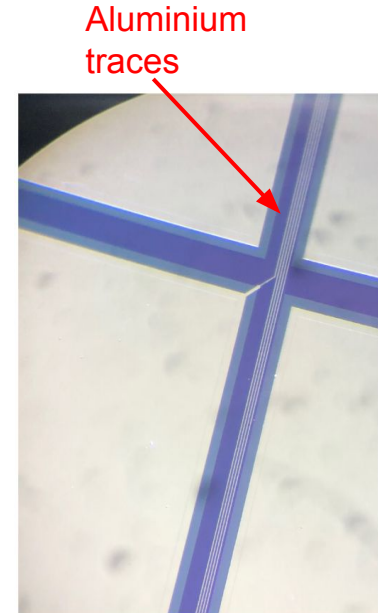
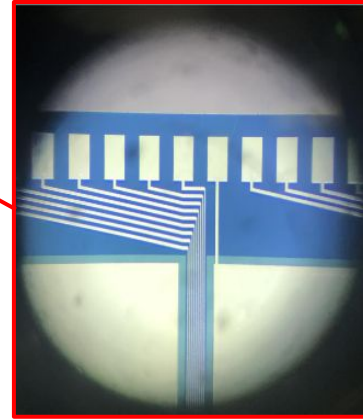
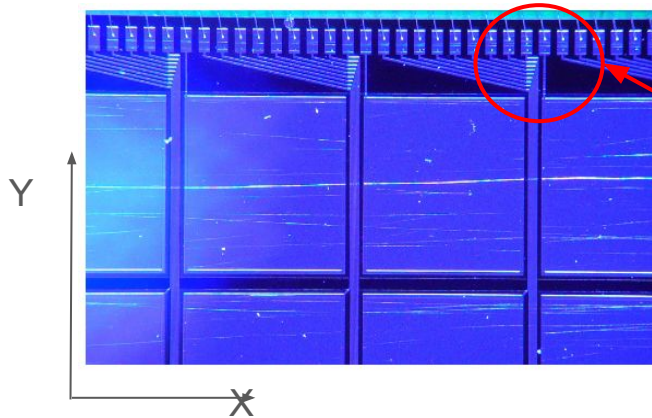
- The readout: Kapton fan-outs with copper traces connected to the sensor pads with conductive glue.
- 320/500  $\mu\text{m}$  thick,  $5.5 \times 5.5 \text{ mm}^2$  pad
- Small gap of 0.01 mm between pads





## Sensors: Gallium Arsenide

- Single GaAs crystals compensated with chromium.
- Pads are made of 0.05  $\mu\text{m}$  vanadium layer
- Pad area of  $4.7 \times 4.7 \text{ mm}^2$
- 0.3 mm gap between pads
- Al traces in the gaps between pads.
- Sensor thickness of 500  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- Tolerate higher radiation dose than silicon.

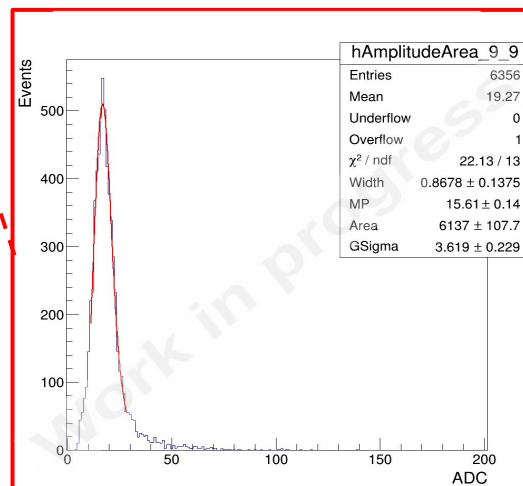
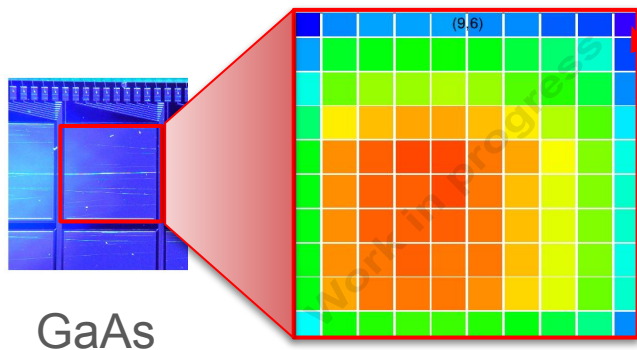
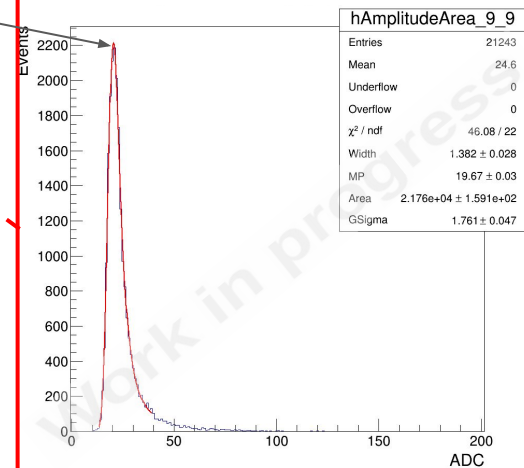
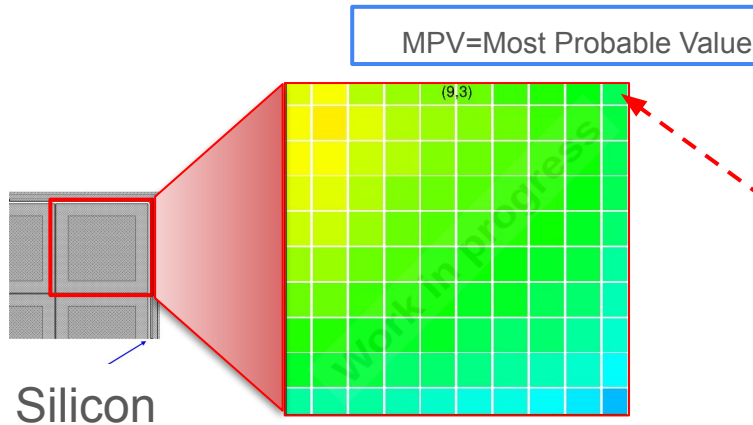






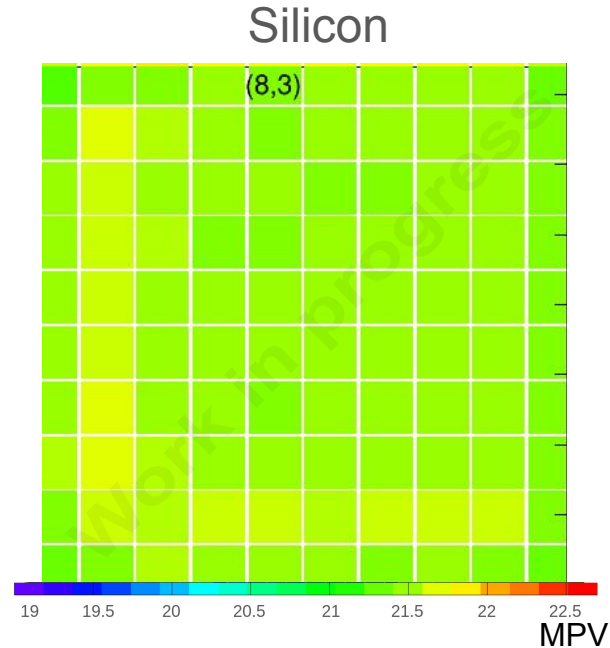
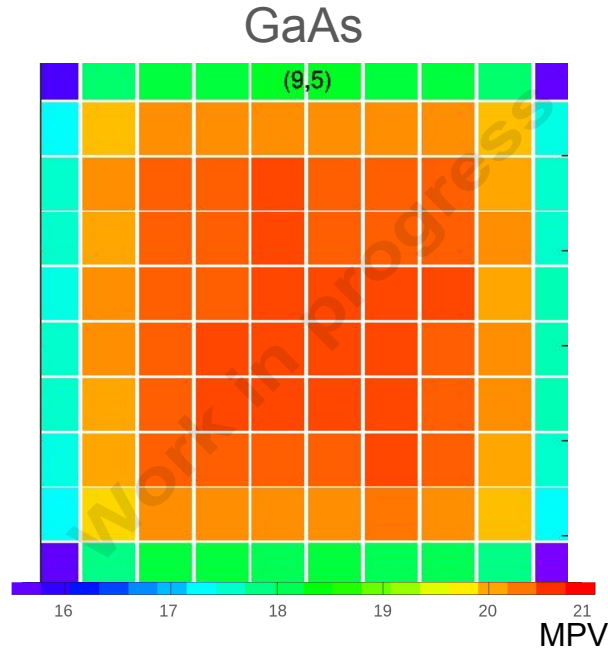
# Homogeneity of individual pad response

Subdivided pad into sections and plotted amplitude distribution of electrons in each section



Z scale represents number of entries for the section

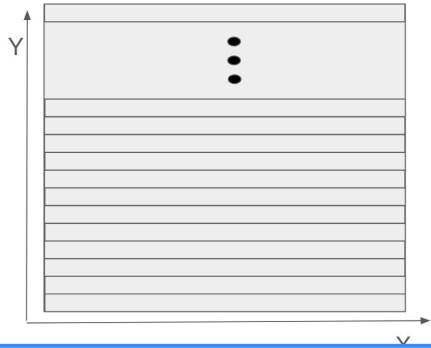
## Examples of average response in pad sections



- Drop in amplitude around edges for GaAs
- L-shaped higher amplitude area for silicon sensor.

# Examples of average pad response near edges

Subdivided pad into strip sections

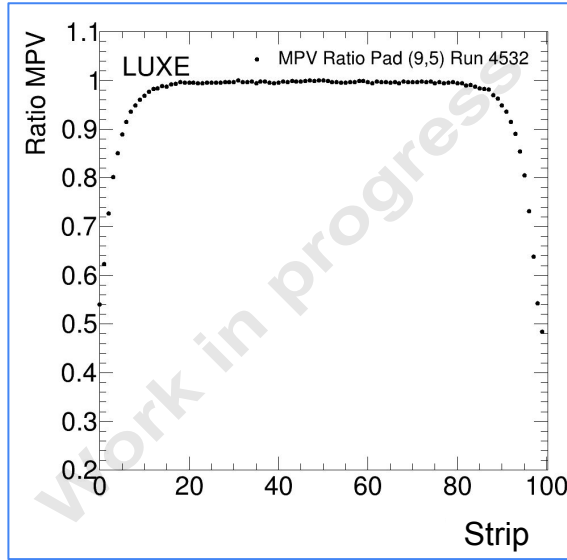


Calculated the MP amplitude of electrons in each strip

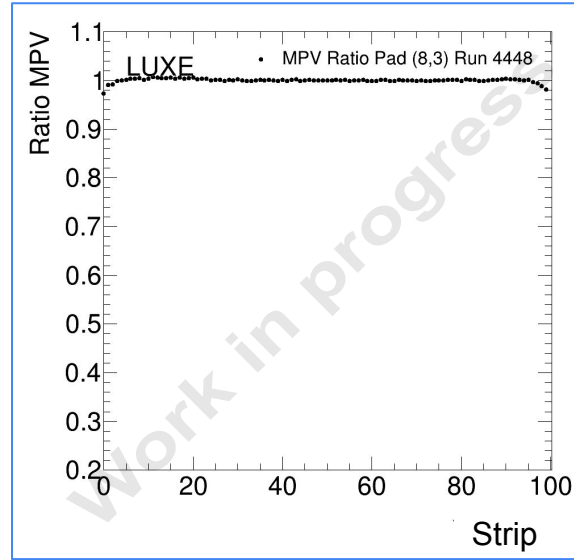
Normalized to MPV of center strip



GaAs

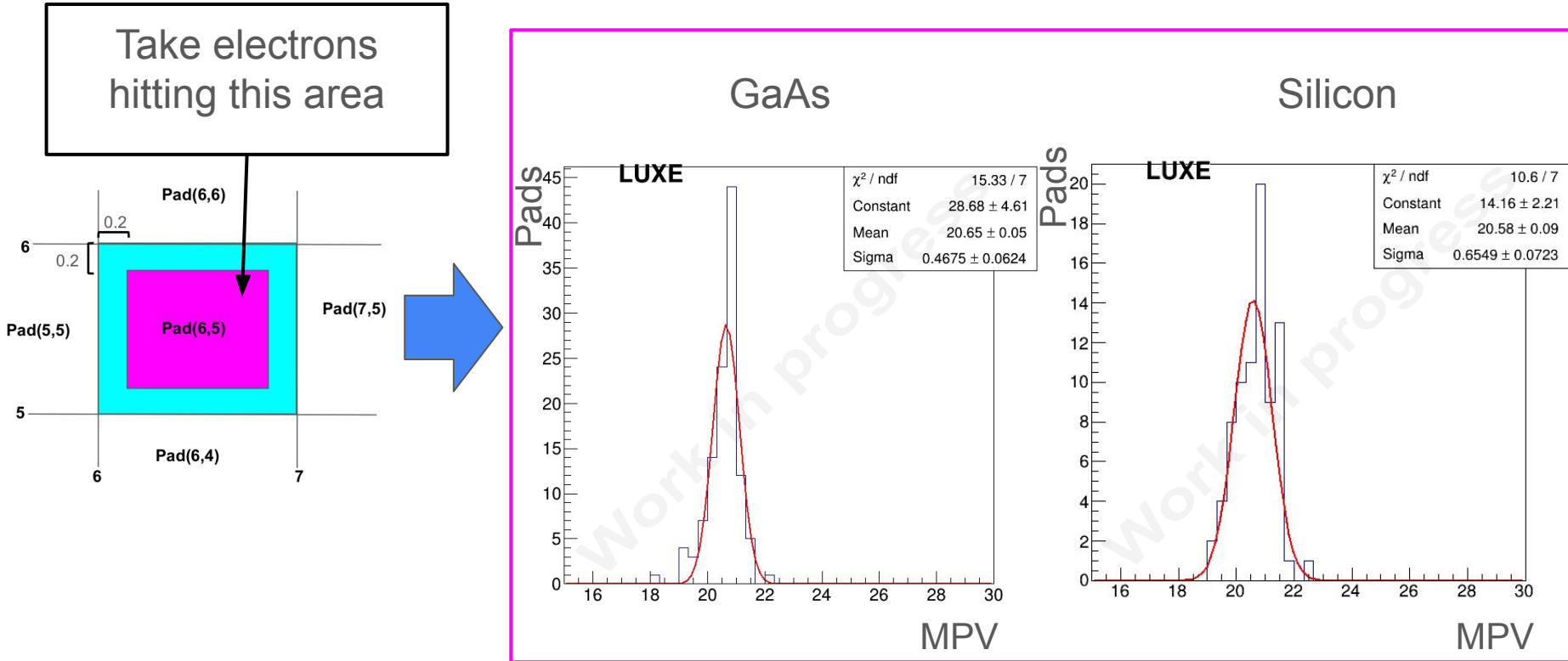


Silicon



- 50% drop in amplitude wrt center for edges of GaAs pads
- 2-3% drop in amplitude for silicon wrt center

# Homogeneity of sensor response



- In GaAs sensor, the pads are more compatible with each other than in silicon

## Conclusion

- Individual pad-response studies were possible with the help of the telescope
- The GaAs sensors present edge-effects involving a drop in the measured energy of electrons
- This effect is small for the tested silicon sensors
- The edge-effects from the GaAs sensors lower the mean response of the full sensor array

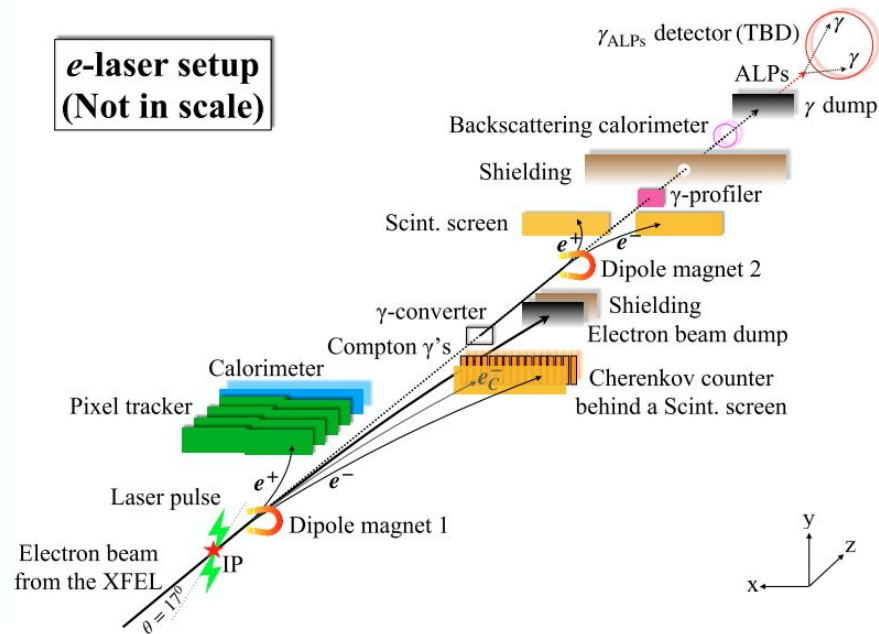
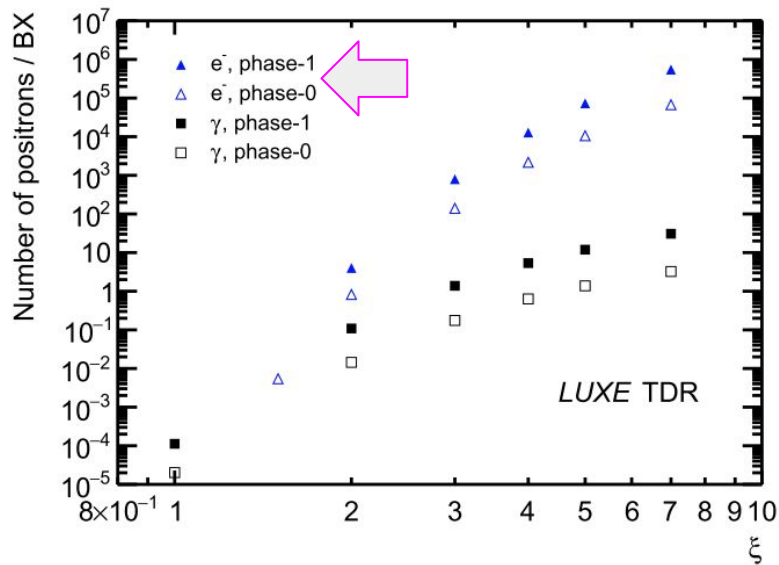
# Backup



## Main aims of LUXE

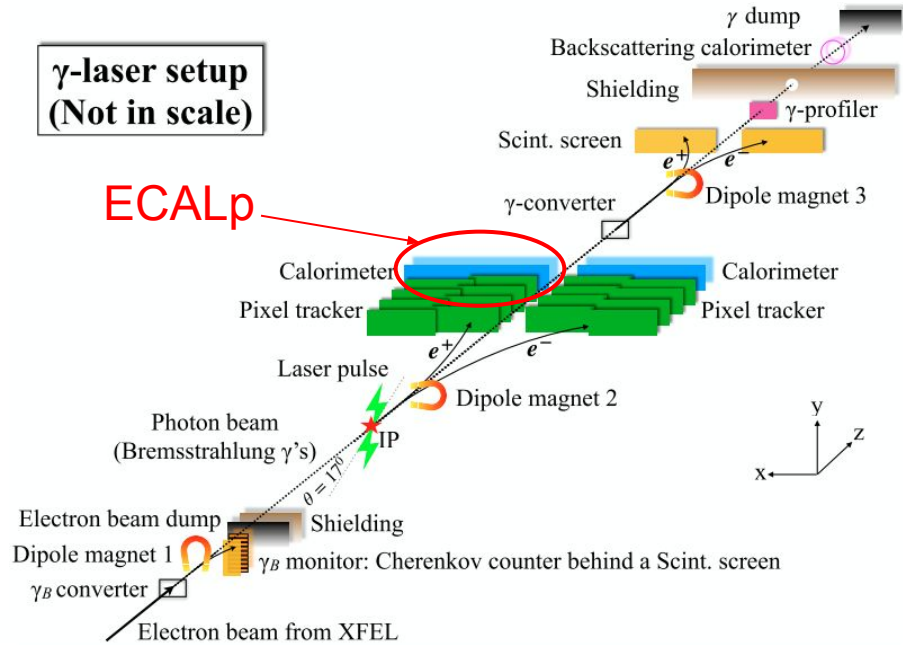
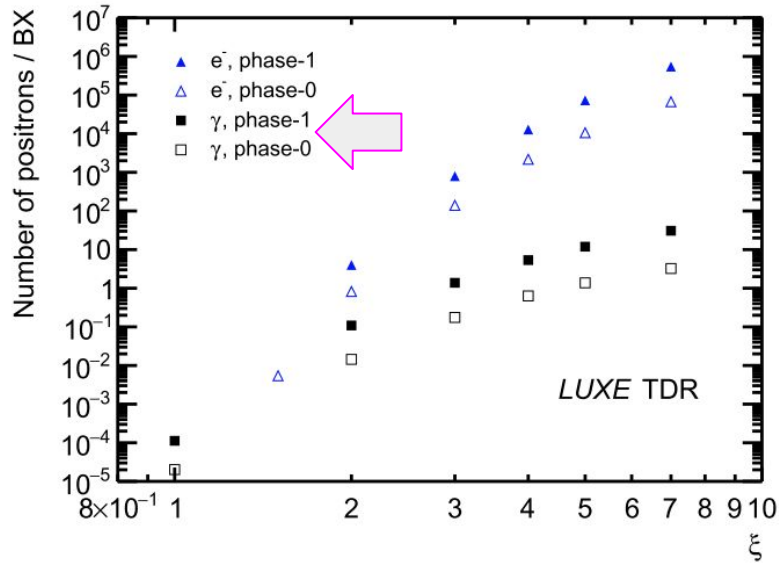
- Measure the interaction of real photons with electrons and photons at field strengths where the coupling to charges becomes non-perturbative
- Make precision measurements of electron-photon and photon-photon interactions in the transition from perturbative to the non-perturbative regime of QED.
- Use strong-field QED processes to design a sensitive search of new particles beyond the Standard Model that couple to photons.

# Initial mode for LUXE: e-laser

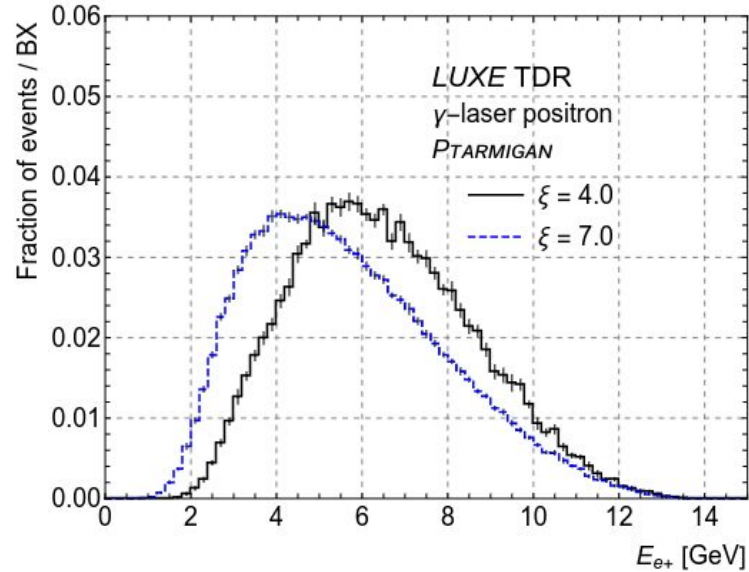
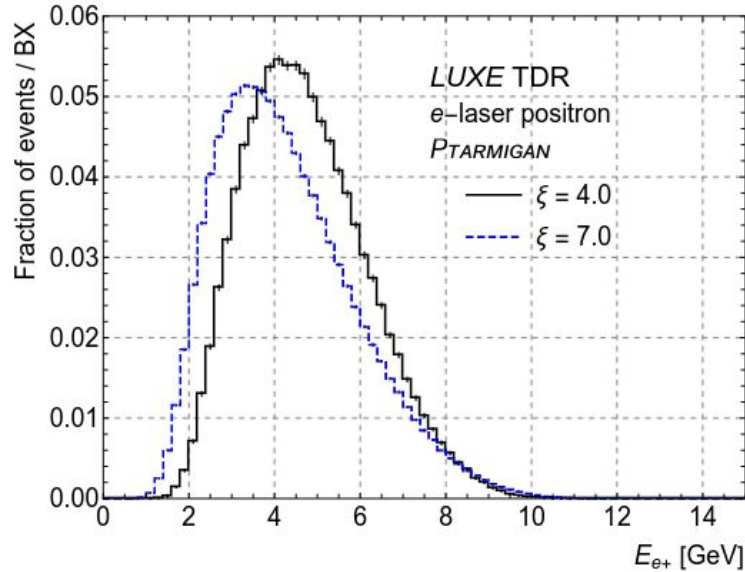


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## Second mode: $\gamma$ -laser

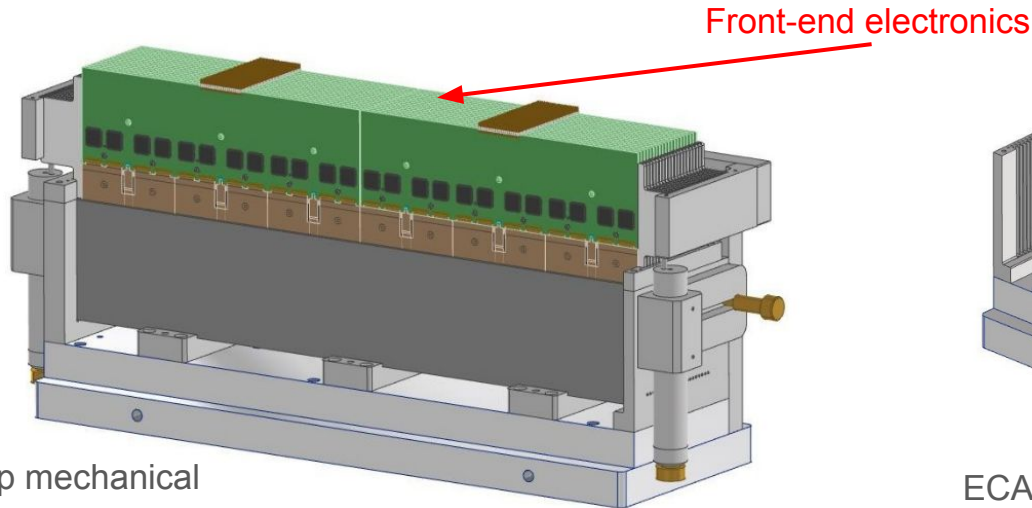


# Expected positron energy spectra



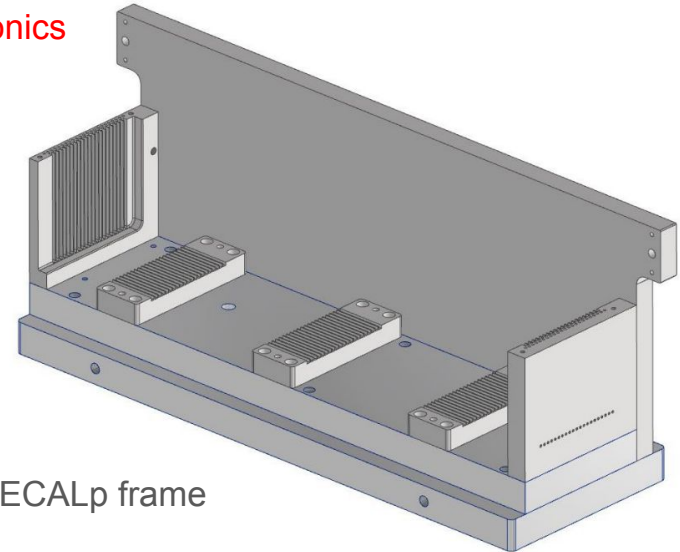
# ECALp design

- Tungsten absorber: 21 layers of 3.5mm, Molière radius of 9.3mm
- Active layers including sensors and readout will be kept to less than 1mm in thickness.



ECALp mechanical structure

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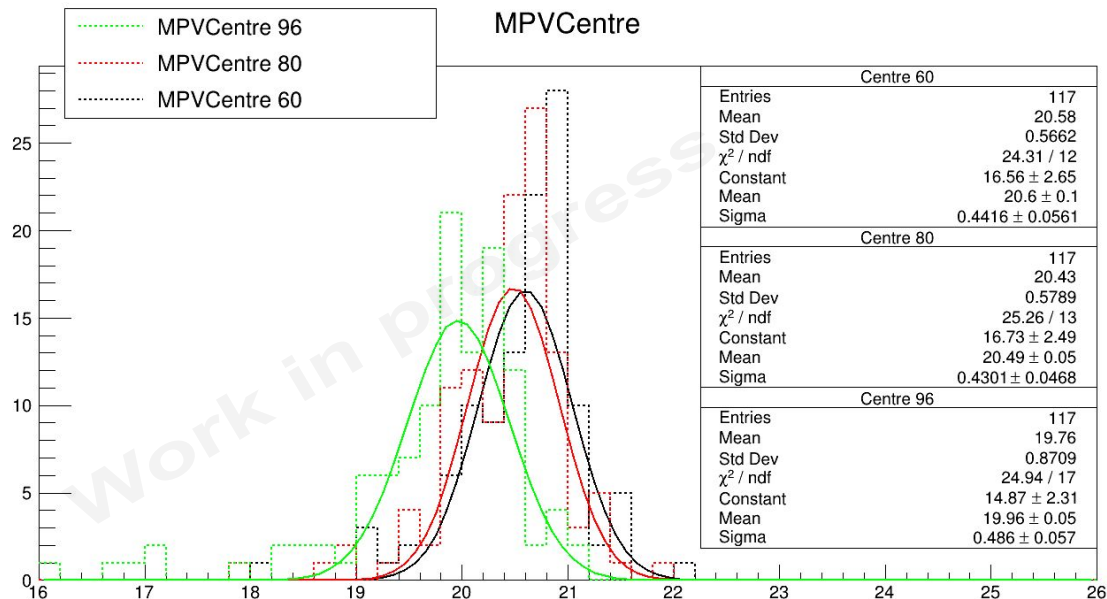
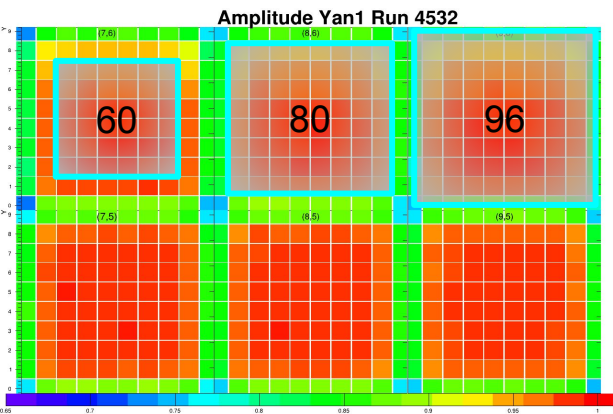


ECALp frame

# Edge-effects in homogeneity

Results on amplitude varying the centre area

The size of the remove edges are

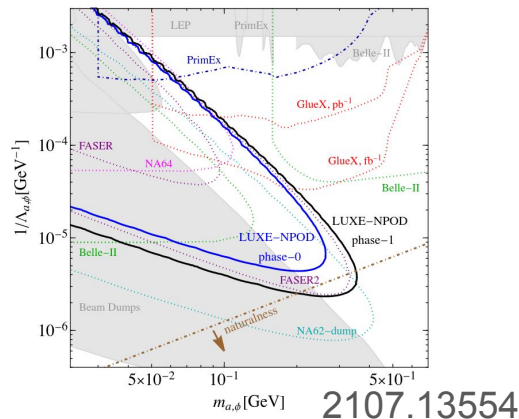


- Mean sensor amplitude drops by less than 1% from area 60 to 80, and by around 3% when taking area 96.

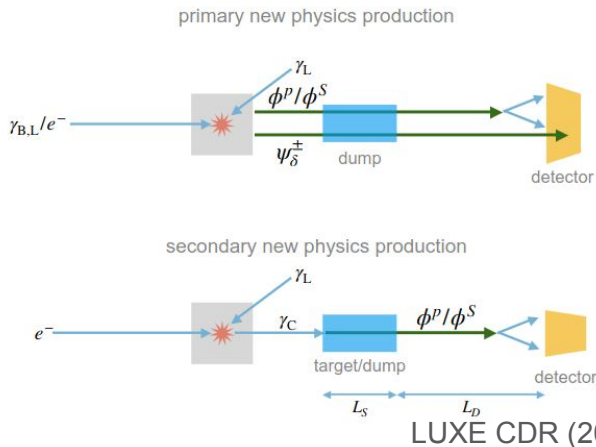


# Probing physics Beyond the Standard Model at LUXE

The high photon rate from LUXE gives the opportunity to search for physics BSM



Two NP production modes for ALPs and scalars that couple to photons and electrons



Proposals to set a calorimeter at a fixed distance from photon dump to probe ALPs decays to two photons

