

### Lifetime and quantum efficiency measurements of Photonis MCP-PMTs and first PANDA-ROOT simulation results

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# Motivation

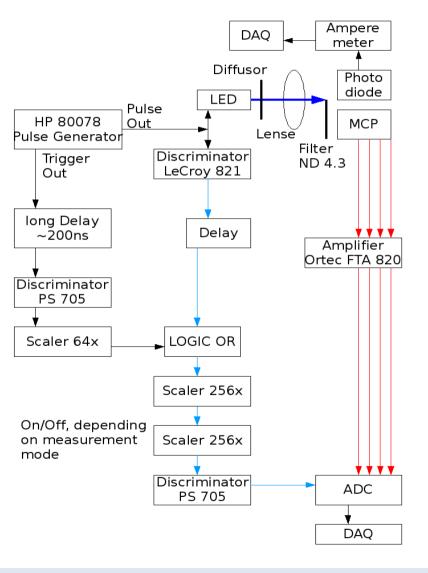


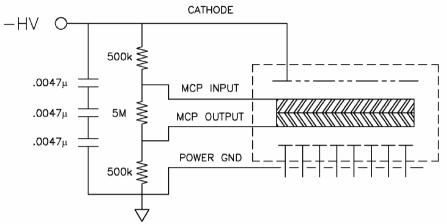
Photo detector requirements for PANDA-DIRCs for the separation of K and  $\pi$  up to several GeV/c:

- B-Field resistance up to 2T
- Gain > 5\*10<sup>5</sup> for single photon detection
- Good time resolution:  $\sigma < 100 \text{ ps}$
- Good spatial resolution and geometrical efficiency
- High photon rates (up to several MHz)

### → lifetime?

# Setup – Photonis XP85012(25µm)

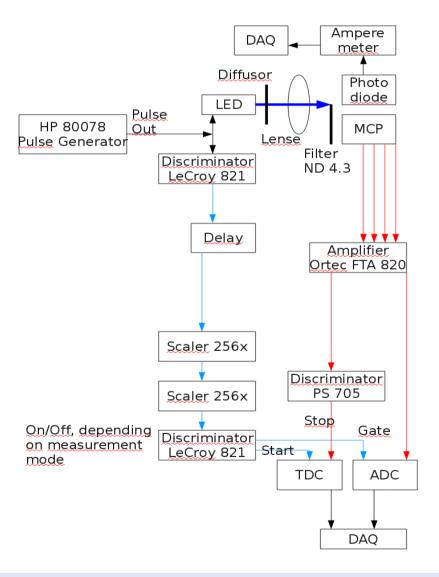


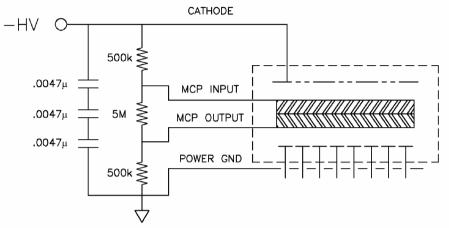


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- additional pedestal-events for MCP-Out
- total voltage: 2.3 kV (i.e. ~190/1910/190 V)

# Setup – Photonis XP85112(10µm)





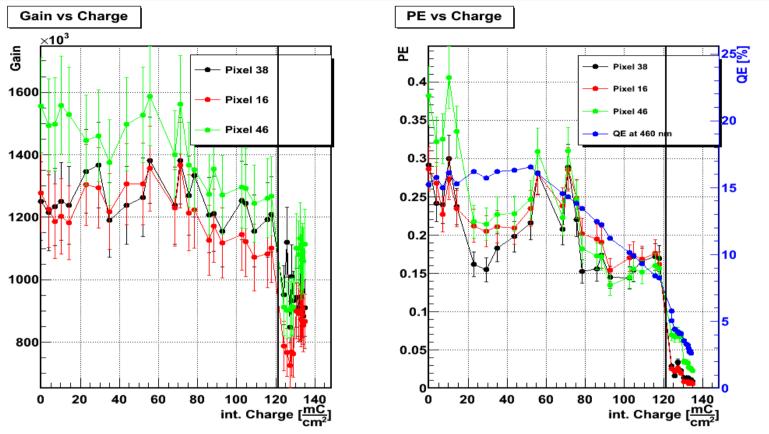
- photo diode and scaler as previous measurement
- total voltage: 2.8 kV (i.e. ~233/2330/233 V)
- TDC used for crosstalk suppression

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# Measurement results for Photonis XP85012 and XP85112

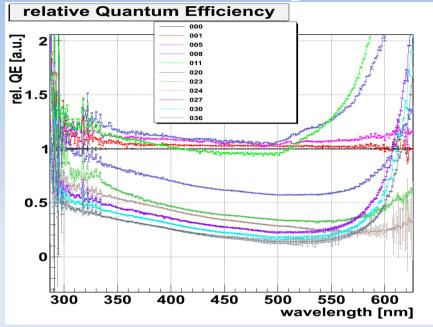
# Gain and Number of PE (85012)

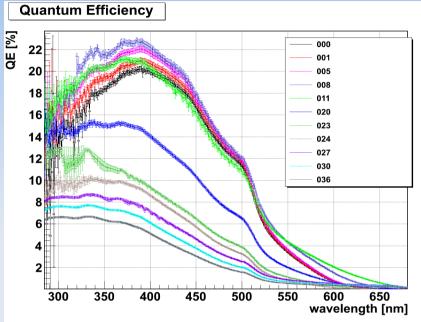


- High illumination (~15sec) at ~ 120mC/cm<sup>2</sup> damaged photocathode
- Gain remained fairly unchanged, PE dropped by ~ 50%
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# spectral and relative QE (85012)



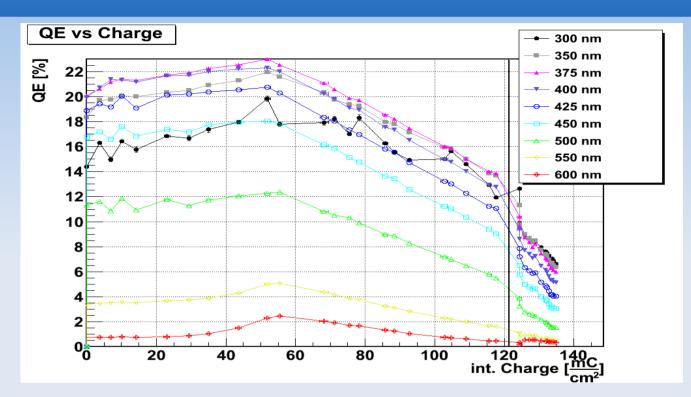


QE increased at the beginning

- Rel. QE: lower wavelengths behave more stable than higher ones
- Halogene lamp was substituted by a Xenon-lamp at the end of the illumination (after ~125mC/cm<sup>2</sup>) for better measurements at 280nm< λ <350nm <sub>Alexander Britting</sub>

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# Lifetime: QE (85012)



- QE increased up to 50mC/cm<sup>2</sup>
- High illumination damaged cathode, perhaps outgasing of MCP because of high MCP temperature (Banykav et al. NIM 567, page 17-20)

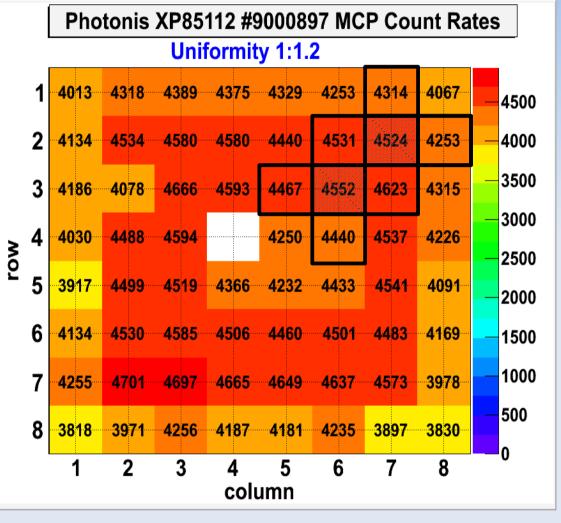
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# **Improvements for XP85112**

- Better resolution of QE for short wavelengths by Xenonlamp
- Measurement of dark count rate
- QE-Scans for monitoring all pixels
- Measuring Gain with fit and center of charge, problem XP85012 crosstalk and charge charing
- Idea: For Crosstalk suppression read-out of 8 ADC and TDC channels cut-off coincident signals

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# Crosstalk suppression for Gain measurement



Read-out of 8 Channels => 4 Pixels (1-4) can be used to suppress crosstalk of the surrounded channel (0)

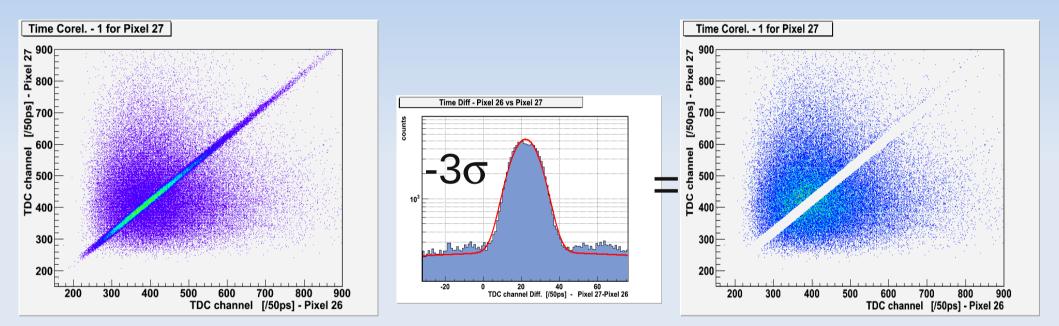
#### 2 Possibilities:

- 1."Total-Cut": Events with signals in pixel 1-4 are neglected
- 2."Direct-Cut": Coincident signals induced by charge sharing are neglected

## Crosstalk suppression: Direct-Cut

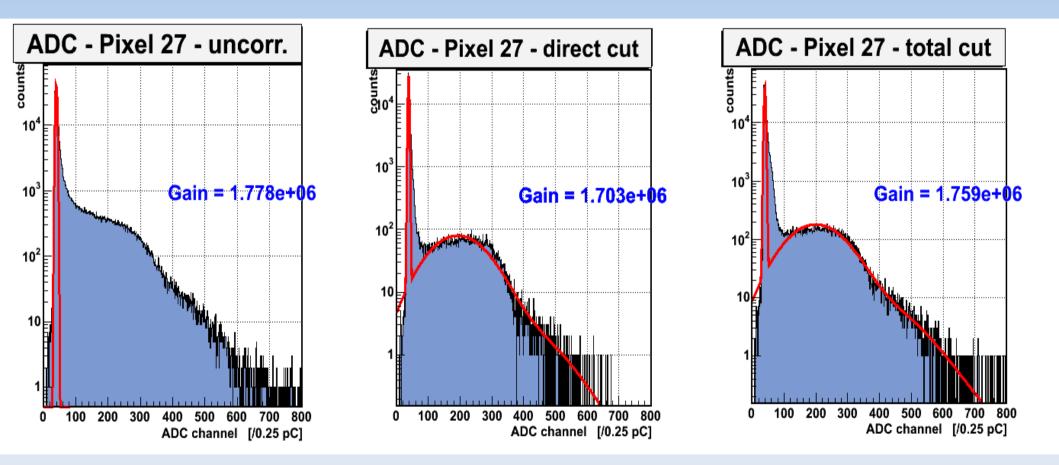
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#### Charge sharing results in coincident TDC signals:

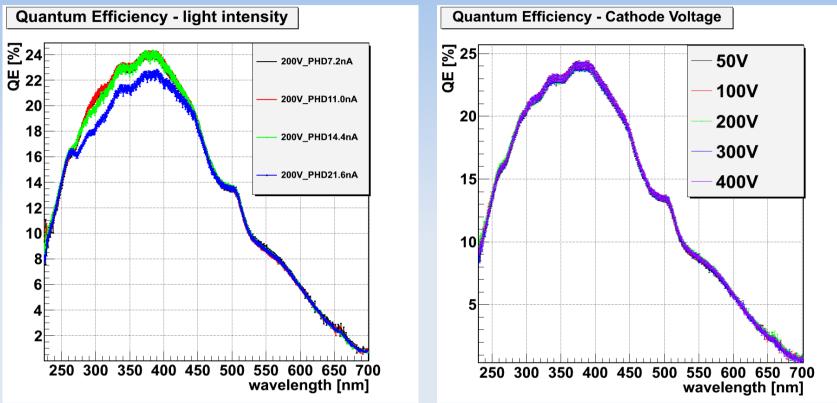


# Result of crosstalk suppression







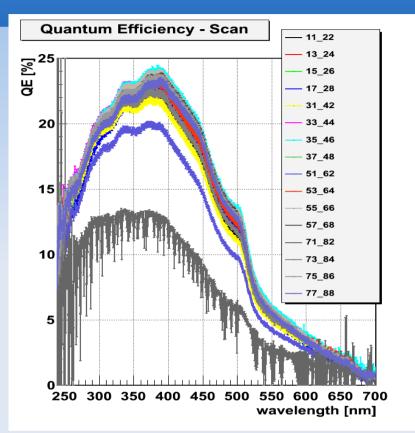


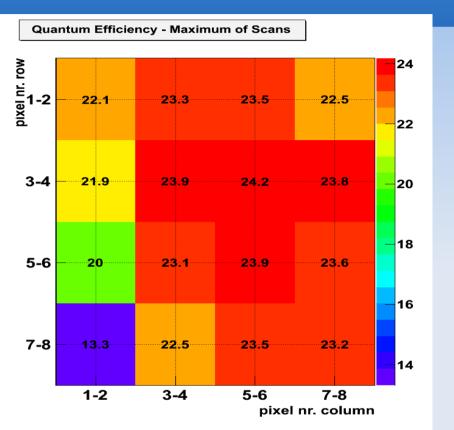
- QE stays constant for voltages above 50V
- Higher light intensities result in higher currents of the MCP. => Current is limitied by resistance of MCP material

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## **QE Scans**



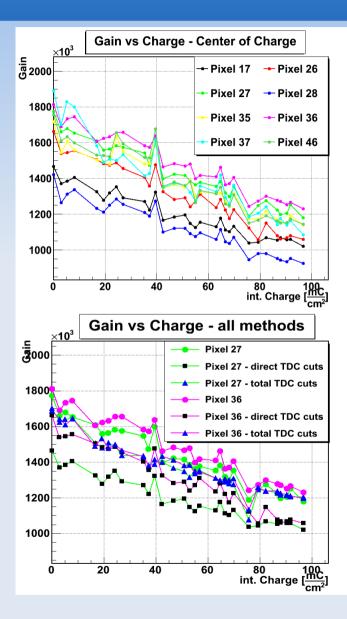


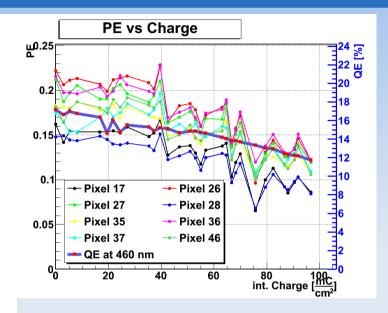


- Lightspot size: ø ~1cm
- QE is extremly reduced on the lower left side, MCP seems to be damaged in this region (high dark count rate etc.) from the beginning

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# Lifetime XP85112: Gain/PE

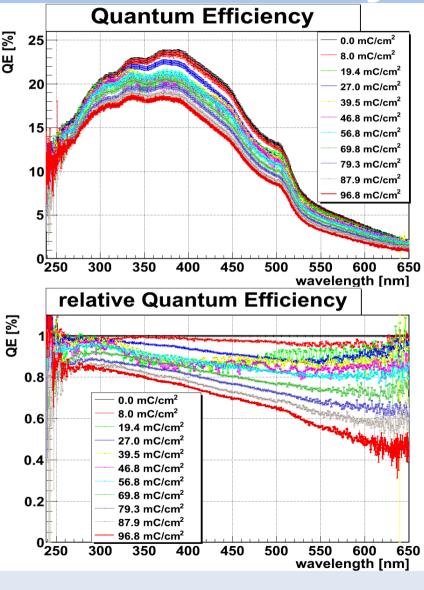




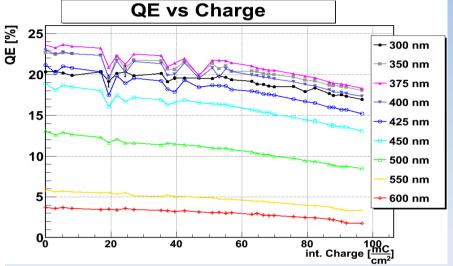
- Gain drops by ~25-40%
- "total-cut" and center of charge result in same Gain, "direct-cut" is a bit lower

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# Lifetime XP85112: Quantum efficiency and rel. QE



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 QE drops significantly lower than for XP85012

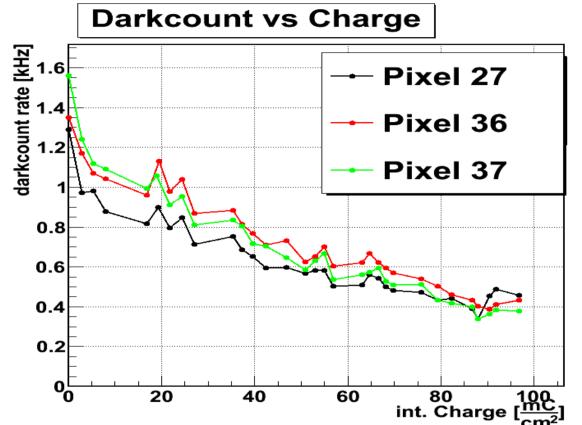
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- No increase at the beginning
- Rel. QE drops faster for higher wavelengths (same as XP85012)
- Expected: ~ 250mC/cm<sup>2</sup> for 50% loss, linear extrapolation (380nm) Alexander Britting

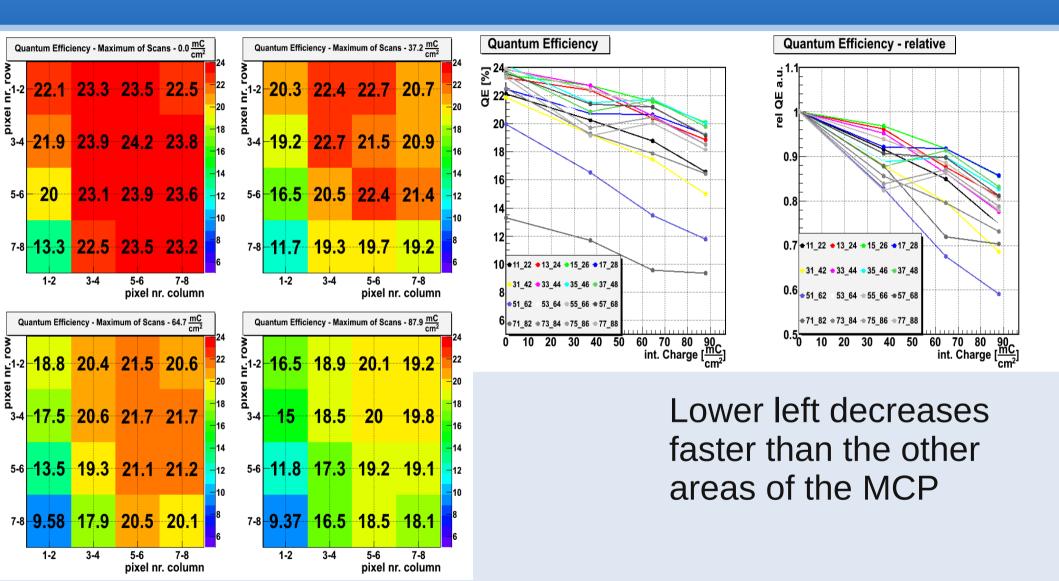
# Lifetime XP85112: Dark count rate





Dark count rate decreases with higher int. Charge for all pixels

# Lifetime XP85112: QE Scans



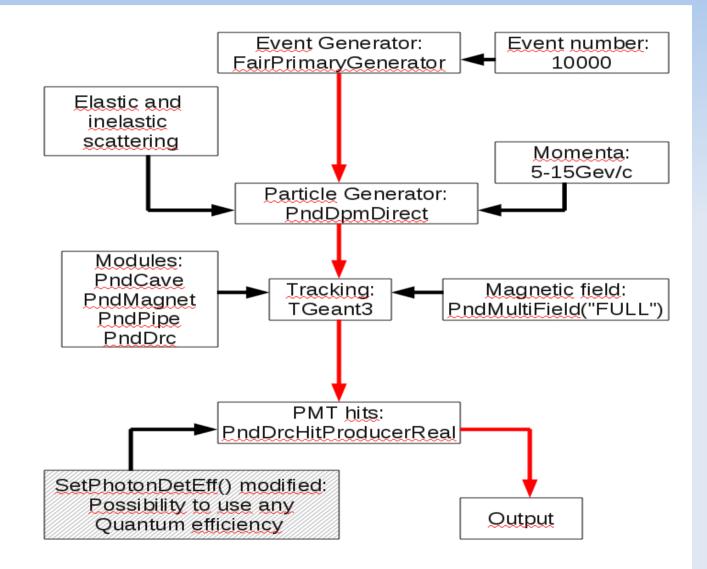
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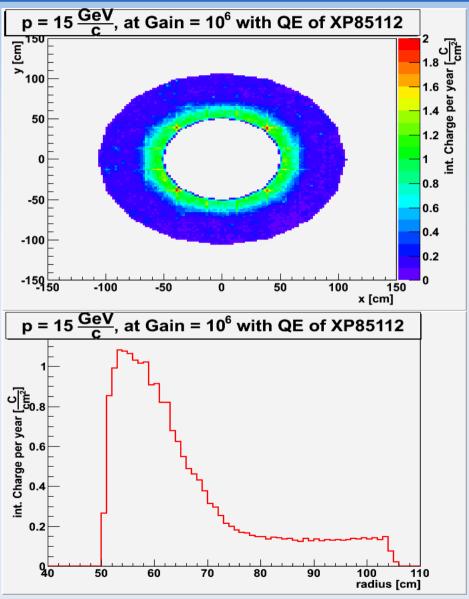
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# **Results of simulation**



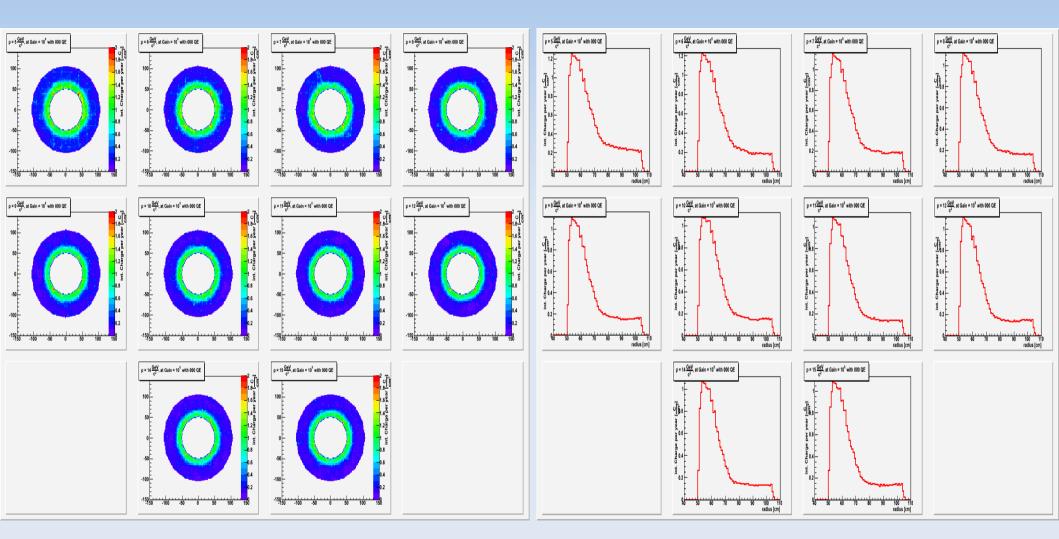
- Int. Charge is radial dependent
- For lower momenta: int.
  Charge increases by ~10%
- Maximum: 1.1C/(cm<sup>2</sup>\*a) (1.2C/(cm<sup>2</sup>\*a) for 5Gev/c)





- QE lifetime of XP85112 seems to be increased to XP85012, but Gain drops. More int. Charge is needed and lifetime measurement is ongoing
- Expected charge of ~1C/cm<sup>2</sup> in PANDA still exceeds MCP lifetime
- Simulation of the expected lifetime for the Disc-Dirc is in progress

## **Results of simulation**



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