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# STT & STS1 NEWS

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## STT News

- ASIC/FEB Readout → *Aleksandra Molendra (AGH Krakow)*
- TRB3 DAQ → *Pawel Kulesa(FZ Jülich)*
- Mech. Prototyping → *Artur Derichs (FZ Jülich) in Mech. Session*

## STS1@HADES

- System Overview
- Pre-commissioning
- Status & Timeline

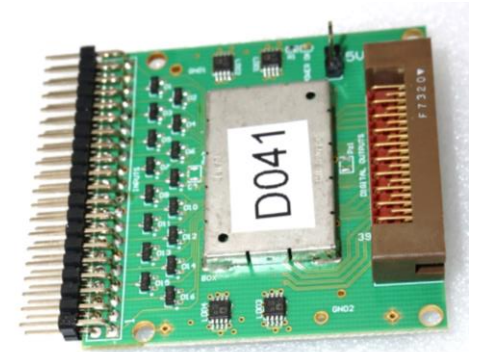
→ *STT Status Report by Gabriela Perez (FZJ) on Friday*

ASICs ordered, final number + spares for PANDA FT & STT

- Contact person and more information: Marek Idzik (AGH Krakow)

PASTTRECv1 properties verified

- In-beam with high rates and large  $dE/dx$  range by PANDA STT / FT tests @ COSY
- For large straw systems (STS1+2 setups with 704 + 1040 channels)
- Set up methods established (e.g. indiv. BL tuning)
- Further investigation of boards with failures



*FEBv3 with two ASICs  
(under metal shield)*

*Congratulation to AGH / JU Krakow team ..*

*.. for the successful chip design & testing (PASTTRECv1 = final)*

## Front-End Boards

### New chip housing on FEB tested & decided

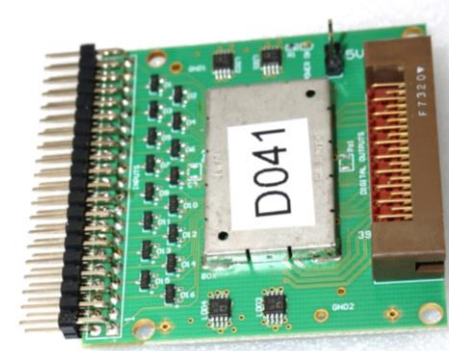
- No direct chip bonding (FEBv3 with QA issues)

### Open issues for STT

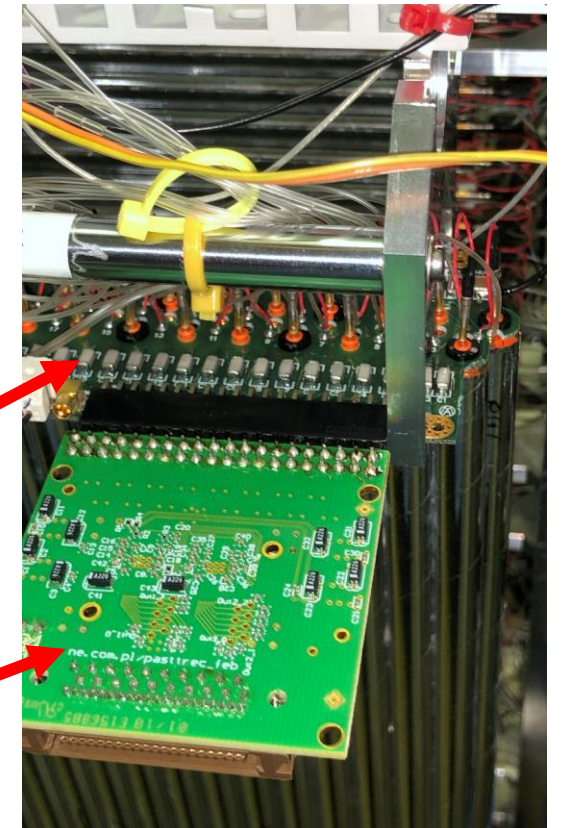
- Power consumption/heat production in closed FEE volume
  - 220 Watt for 270 boards at nom. 5V
  - 175 Watt by LV reduction ( $\rightarrow$  4V) decided
  - Further reduction difficult, new designs necc.
  - **Temperature environment very critical for STT system (materials, drift gas, ..)**
- Straw contacting & HV decoupling boards
  - Same STS/FT design not possible for STT
  - Minimal space available for FEE, only longitudinal

### Further issues in discussion

- Temperature sensor, chip ID, ..
- But no increase of power consumption mandatory for STT



*FEBv3 (left) and connected to HV decoupling board at the STS1 (bottom)*



*Straw contacting and HV supply & decoupling board*

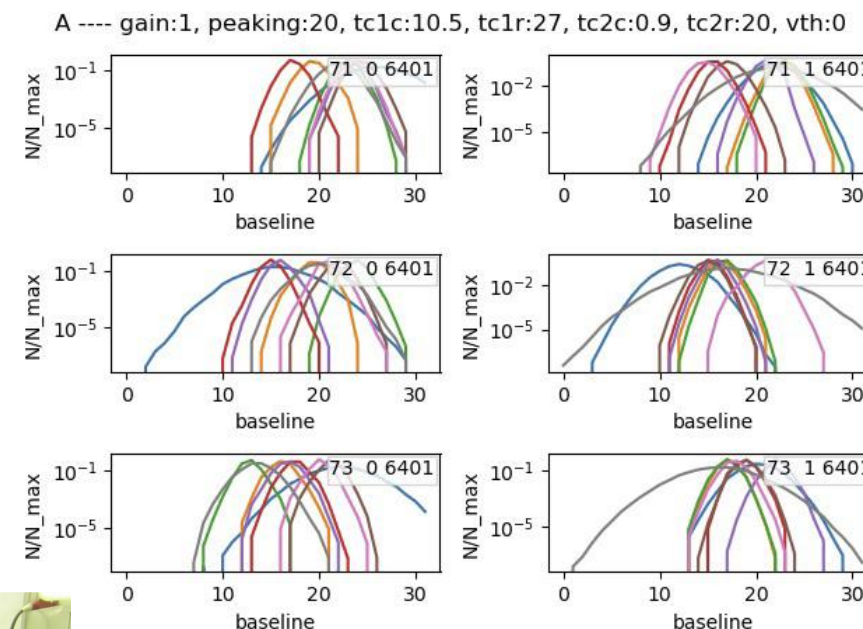
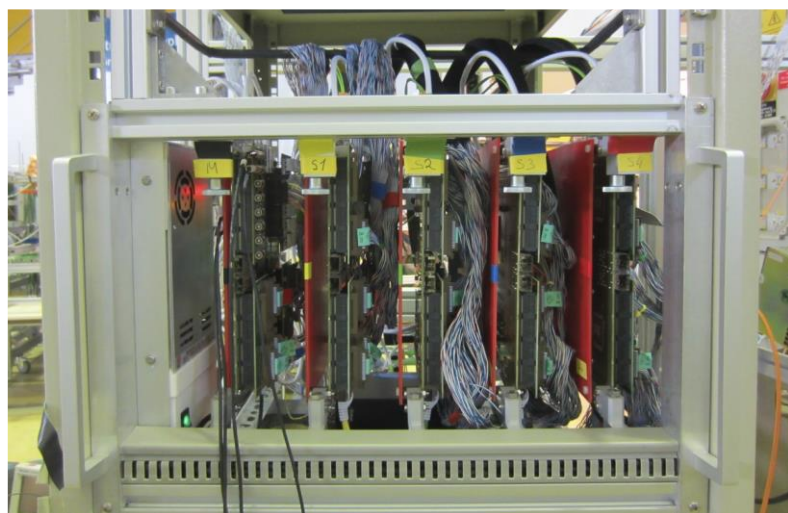
*FEBv3 bottom side*



## DAQ Setup in Julich

- TRB3 DAQ set up for readout & STS1 system tests
- TRB3 architecture in crate, protection cover added, cable routing
- Firmware updated
- TRB3 (self-)trigger modes studied (e.g. multiplicity, ..)

*TRB3 readout crate for STS1 (left: front view , right: view from back)*



*Baseline scan (x-axis, range: 0-32 DAC) and measured noise scaler rate (y-axis) for six ASICs (boards 71, 71, 73). Results by P. Kulesa (FZJ).*

# STS1 System Overview

## Specifications Reminder

704 straws in 4 double-layers

- Orientation:  $\varphi = 90^\circ, 0^\circ, 0^\circ, 90^\circ$
- Z-distances: 118.6 mm, 281.4 mm, 118.6 mm (d-layer middle z posi.)
- 20 modules, 16 straws each (PANDA-FT layout & dimensions)
- Beamhole by split straws (2x8 straws per d-layer)

## Straw specs

- 27 $\mu$ m Al-mylar film,  $\varnothing_{ID}=10.00$  mm, 766mm length
- Straw pitch: 10.14mm, z-pitch in d-layer: 8.78 mm
- Ar/CO<sub>2</sub> at 2 bar (abs.)

## Electronics:

- 704 readout channels, 44x FEBv3, 88x PASTTRECv1
- 4x TRB3, 1x RO crate

*STS1 Station*



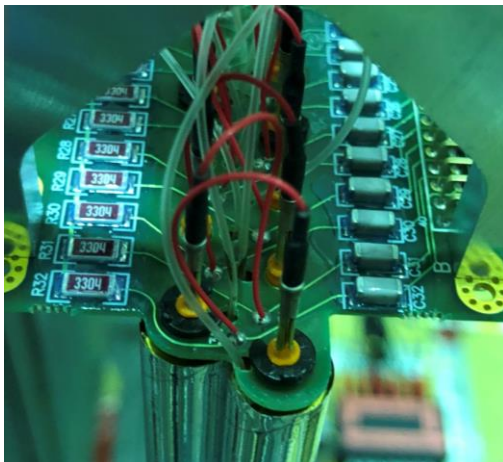
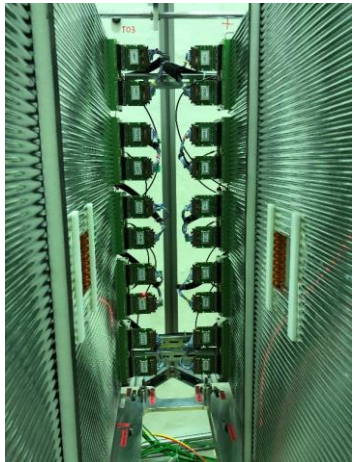


# STS1 System Overview

## Preparations and Pre-Commissioning in Julich

Full system test with  $^{90}\text{Sr}$  source signals ( $\beta$ -tracks)

- All 704 straws tested incl. ASIC-FEBs, cables and TRB3
- Drift time & time-over-threshold measurement, efficiency check
- Tube bending & wire displacement (“2<sup>nd</sup> leg”)
- 1st tune of all ASIC baselines (by noise scaler rate)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> BL-tune done by ToT measurement & alignment



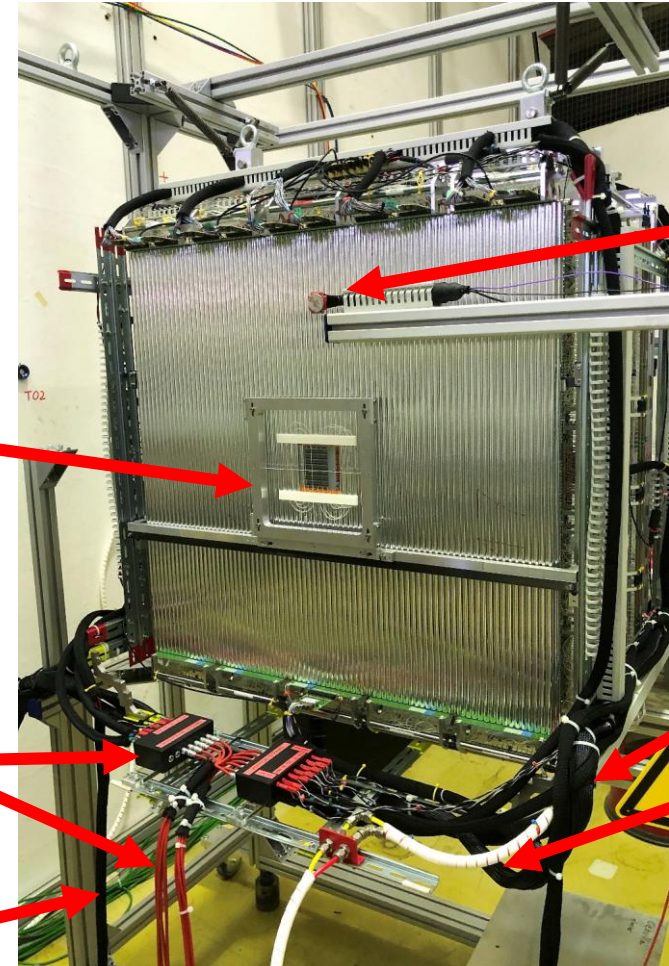
Inner horizontal layers and FEE coupling boards (JU Krakow design)

Center cross (remove later)

HV boxes & cables

LV cables

STS1 Station



$^{90}\text{Sr}$  & scint. for tests

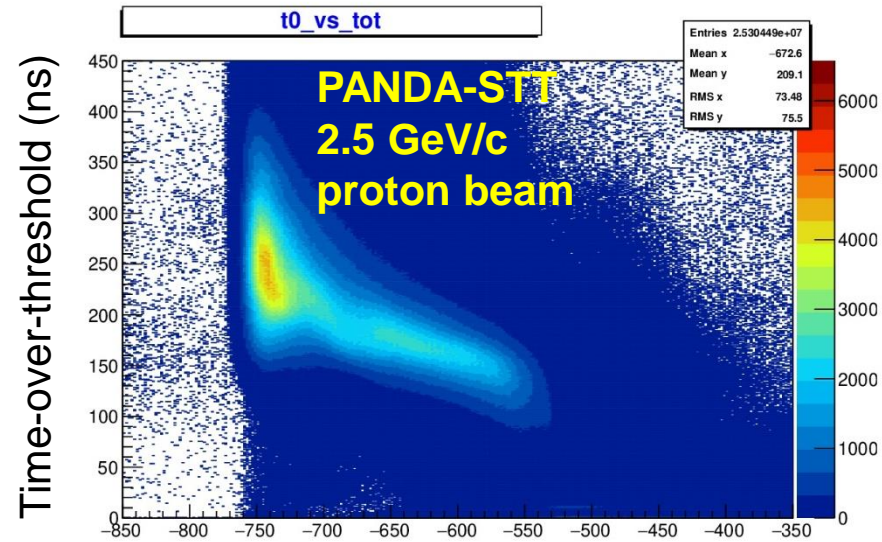
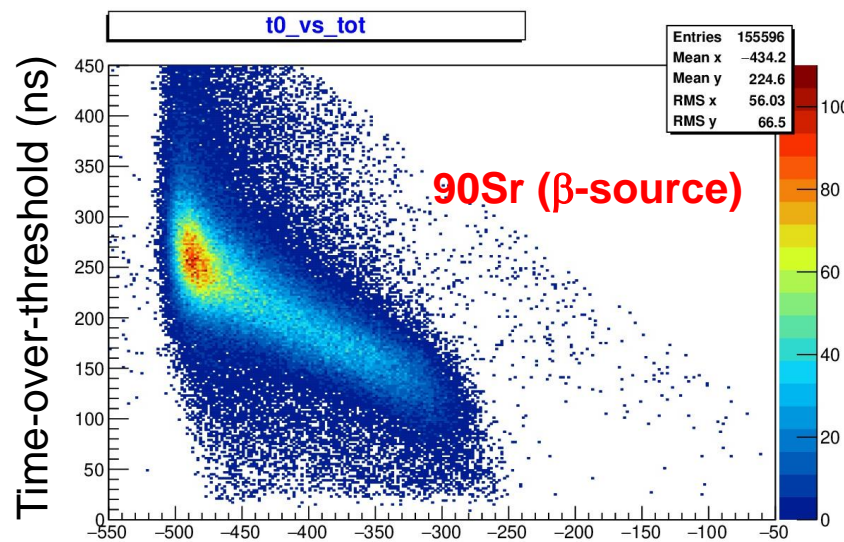
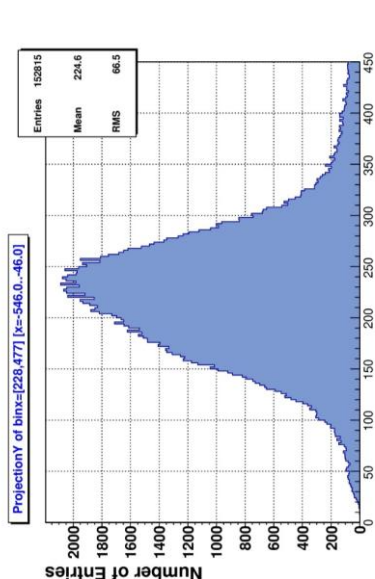
ASIC cables

Gas lines

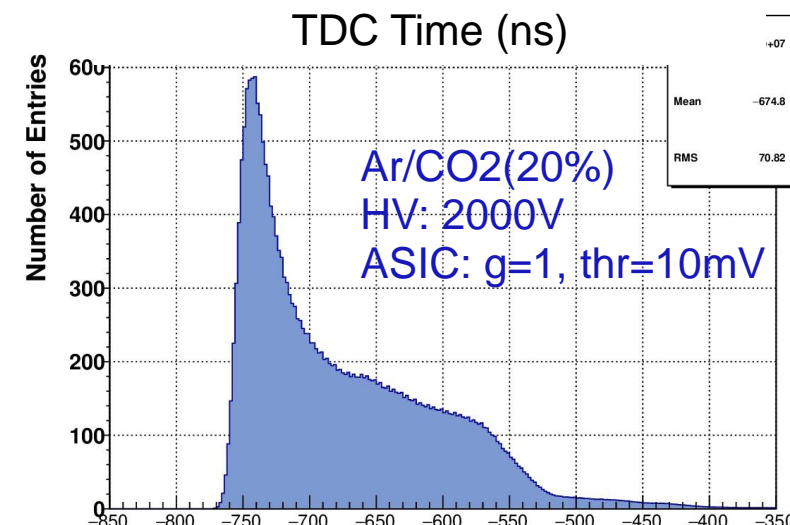
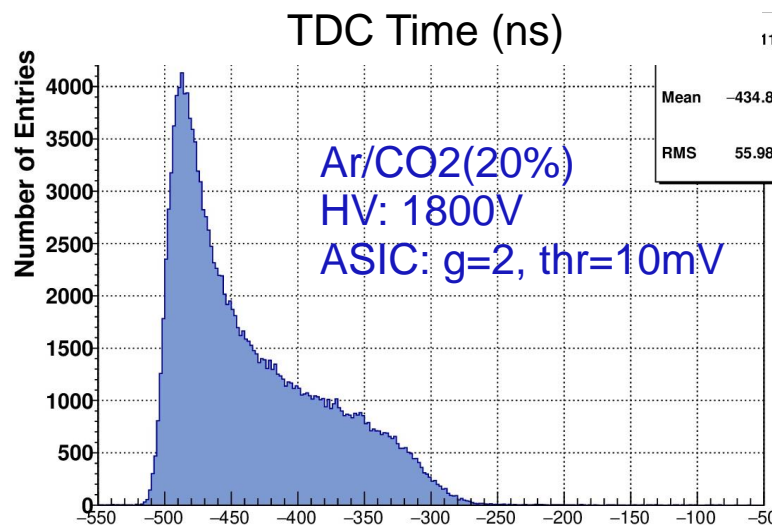
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# STS1 Test with $^{90}\text{Sr}$ Source

## Drift Time & Time-over-Threshold Measurement



- Similar spectra for  $^{90}\text{Sr}$   $\beta$ -tracks and (mip) proton beam tracks
- No typical Bethe-Bloch  $dE/dx$  for low mass  $e^-$ ,  $\sim 40\%$  higher  $dE/dx$  than MIPs
- $^{90}\text{Sr}$  ideal for full system tests, drift time and time-over-thresh. measurement ( $\rightarrow$  efficiency)

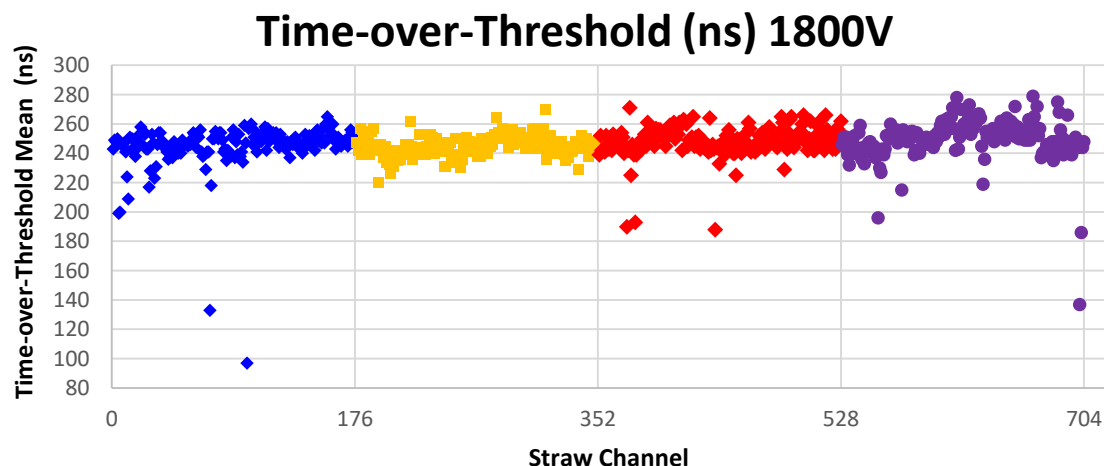




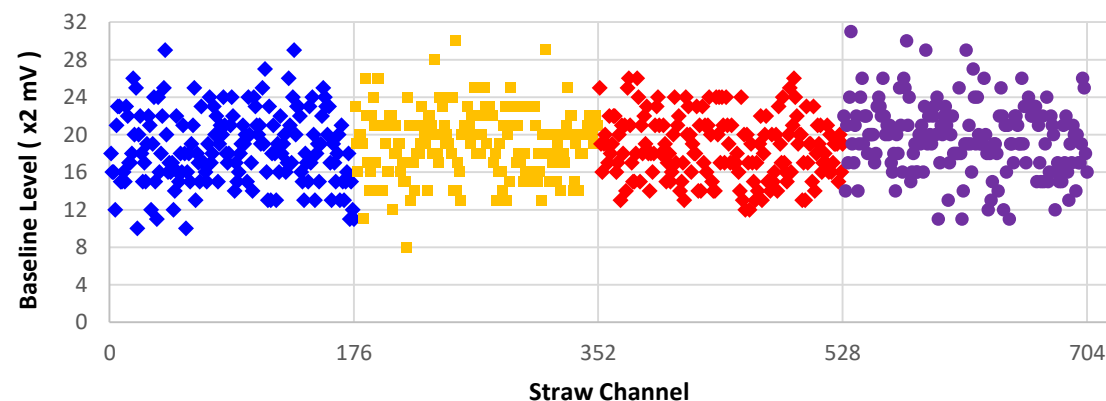
# ASIC Tests and Tuning

## BL Tuning with $^{90}\text{Sr}$ and ToT Measurement

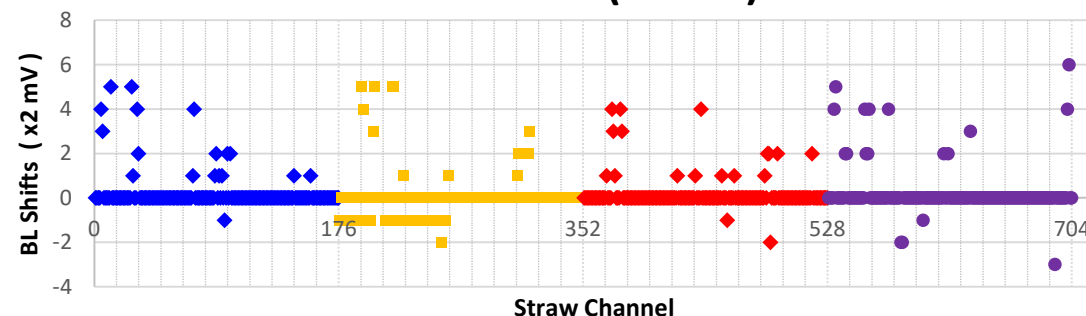
- Reminder: common ASIC threshold, channel individual baselines
- 1st tune by using noise scaler rate (Krakow method)
- 2nd tune by signals from  $^{90}\text{Sr}$  source
  - Measure the mean of ToT distribution for each channel
  - BL adjusting by aligning the ToT mean
- Some bad channels remain (no better tune poss.)
- ASIC setting: gain=2, pktime=20ns, thresh=10mV
- Low noise level  $\rightarrow$  BL in upper half of range



**Baseline Level Tunes (x 2mV) 1800V**



**BL Shifts 2nd Tune (x 2mV) 1800V**



# STS1 Status Summary

## QA Measures / Pre-Commissioning in Julich



### Straw operation

- gas tightness on permeation level ( $\sim 100$  mbar/day @ 1 bar overpressure)
- all 704 straws signal tested, no failure (e.g. broken wire)
- HV stability:  $\sim 20$ -30 nA dark current (all 704 straws, at 1800V nominal)
- stable operation since months

### Front-end readout cards (PASTTREC-ASICs)

- ASIC tests and precision tunes done for all channels ( $\rightarrow$  Ch & BL database)
- 26 channels (from 704) with failures, replace boards when spares become available

### TRB3 readout and DAQ

- TRB3 crate system set up in Julich and tested, 4 spare TRB3 boards for PANDA-STT activities in parallel

### Full system tests in Julich completed

- signal tests of all straws and complete RO chain ( $^{90}\text{Sr}$ : drift time & ToT, efficiency)
- stable operation, low straw voltage and low ASIC threshold (low noise level)

# Timelines STS1



- System pre-commissioning in Julich completed
- Installation in HADES early November
- Commissioning proton beam for HADES scheduled February 2021
- Physics experiment with proton beam at SIS 18 Probably early 2022

*.. but Covid-19 threat*

*.. much reduced personnel on-site for installation and detector operation*

*.. exploit remote control and operation*



*Thank you*  
*for*  
*your attention*  
*and*  
*stay healthy*