

# Achievements and proposals for WP 4 on detector development – Spill monitoring

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#### BI @ SPS-SX – Secondary Emission Monitors ~80 monitors + ~50 in target boxes





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# BI @ SPS-SX - New SEM electronics (2021)

#### New electronics: signals during slow extraction sampled with t=20ms



DAQ can be swapped to 'fast' mode able to integrate fast extractions (and used for SPS bunched beam in injection line)

Split foil example: can see that beam is moving during spill (not possible before 2021)



### BI @ SPS-SX - SEM – status/limitations

- Absolute calibration for intensity meas. very tricky
- Proper optics and transmission optimization difficult with present park
  - NA consolidation program to replace/add instruments, e.g. to have grids for better optics measurements
  - Possible new requests after 2021 experience (to complement approved consolidation)
- Robust systems, nevertheless not necessarily optimized for precise measurements (mechanical layout with stack of foils → cross talk, etc..)
  - Ongoing PhD to investigate how to improve precision
- Noise and ageing due to radiation are a ~constant concern, not improved after LS2



#### BI @ SPS-SX 'Fast' SEM detector (aka ServoSpill)

- 1 'fast' (kHz) spill detector based on SE foil @ extraction
- Can be (and was) used to directly compensate spill intensity ripples
- Detector itself (SEM foil) installed since many years
- 2021: signal resulted to be very noisy, amplifier change did not solve the problem, suspect some short or leakage inside vacuum
  - Plan to refurbish detector end of 2022





#### BI@PS-SX – Secondary Emission Monitors (SEM)

- Very similar to SPS monitors, since 2021 equipped with new SPS electronics
- Used to control extraction/transmission and monitor ProtonsOnTarget
- Absolute calibration critical (as for SPS)



Fig. 4-26: Position of XSEC on the new East Area lines.





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### BI@PS-SX - Longitudinal Spill Gas Detector

- Based on detecting light emitted by beam-gas interaction
- Tank filled with Nitrogen, ~22m from extraction point -> plan to use new brighter gases
- Two PMTs in coincidence (to suppress noise)
- DAQ: 10 kHz possible, now set to 2.5kHz
  - Ultimate BW now anyhow limited by present cables and VME bus
- TDC based DAQ under study, could reach 1 MHz





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## BI@PS-SX – Beam Loss Monitors BLMs

BLM

PS ring

- Ionization chambers at strategic locations in transfer lines
  - Can give 100kHz in capture mode
- Fast Diamond BLMs requested for installation at PS extraction to characterize spill quality
  - Detectors as ones described later for SPS
  - 2021 request: being processed

Next slide == potential of these monitors as fast spill monitors inferred from Si-diodes tests at IRRAD

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# Diamond – Beam Loss Monitors (dBLM)

pCVD crystals, for beam loss monitoring and potentially a Fast Spill monitor

2 dBLM installed in SPS (@electrostatic septum and @transf. line quad)



### SPS dBLMs – Features and Status

**SPS** detectors read out via BI standard carrier board (VFC) + 2 Ch-650 MS/s digitizer **mezzanines** (detector installed in PS EA IRRAD acquired through an oscilloscope)

- Plan to use FW&SW capture mode for SX:
  - Circular buffer of 2GB (1GB per channel)
  - ~500 Msamples/channel @ 650MS/s  $\rightarrow$  ~0.8 sec (full memory readout can take minutes
  - Different gating/sampling strategies under study
  - DAQ SW and logging protocols being finalized

First measurements during 2021 via scope

 Signal integrity issues (interference/ground loop) suspected to corrupt the signals of the ZS4 detector → To be followed up





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### Si-detectors @ IRRAD for CHIMERA

- Si diodes connected to 'standard' BI amplifiers (see SPS part), movable, tested via different scope/digitizers (custom made setup)
- Analysis of very recent proton and ions runs Nov 2021 on-going, here an example of 'low frequency' acq. (limited BW), 'high frequency' data being analyzed



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# Fast Spill Monitor I

Optical Transition Radiation from thin screen (Ti, 12um thick), focused on PMT

- Expect to have enough S/N and be in the 100-200MHz range of overall system BW (PMT+Head-Ampl+Cables)
- Prototype installation completed, DAQ via fast scope to characterize S/N in 2022
  - In parallel: will start designing 1-channel fast digitizer, possibly FMC mezzanine on 'BI standard' VFC



Figure 4 - Photo of BSTL.210272 (bottom). The PMT to be replaced (1) is visible at the top of the 'cone'. The new amplifier will be fixed to the girder (2).



# Fast Spill Monitor II

#### In vacuum quartz bar producing Cherenkov light

- System evolution of one used with low particle flux for crystal assisted extraction
- Can go to ~200 MHz
- Validated in 2018 with custom made DAQ
- Plan: equip it with 'BI standard' DAQ for systematic studies





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# **SEM detectors Calibration**

- Fast extraction: compare BCT to XSEC and AI foils activation
- Slow extraction: compare XSEC and AI foils activation
- Lot of work going on, more in 2022, converging to smaller and smaller uncertainties



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1 December 2021

T8 beam data analysis

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### dBLM DAQ

#### Designed to be fully integrated into standard control system and logging



### BI@SPS NorthArea Consolidation List of BI items

Monitor	Required works	#Units	Projects affected	Consequences of non-upgrade
BSI	Consolidation	4	NA operation, BDF	Uncertain POT, poor TT20 splitting efficiency
BSP	Replace by SEM grids	4	NA operation, BDF	Loss of OP time for TT20 re-steering and source of inefficiency for switching extraction energy during ion run, lack of TL optics measurements
BTV	Consolidation	3	NA operation, BDF	OP time for TT20 re-steering, poor TT20 splitting
BLM	Detectors	30	NA operation, BDF	OP downtime, risk of increased beam loss
	Electronics	30		
	Cabling / installation	30		
Fast Spill Detector	Produce a new system (OTR or Cherenkov)	1	NA operation, Prerequisite for BDF	OP blind to high freq. spill quality from CCC, limiting planned machine studies to improve spill quality
Long. BLM LSS2	Produce new longitudinal BLM	1	NA op, Prerequisite for BDF	Quantification of SPS extraction efficiency limited
P42 SEM Upgrade	Produce 3 new dual plane SEM grid for P42	3	K12	No intrumentation for P42, optics issue with large beam spot on T10 cannot be diagnosed

2021 experience: not enough diagnostics to measure optics and transmission, NA CONS may be complemented by further diagnostics requests, waiting for specs