#### Forward Endcap Status

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#### **Topics**

- Glueing
  - Glueing procedure (BO ↔ GI)
  - Primer involved couplings
- Electronics
  - APD preamps (gain determination)
  - VPTTs: B-field screening and gain measurements
- Mechanics:
  - Subunit manufacturing
  - Electronics ring
  - Support frame
  - Aluminum closing covers

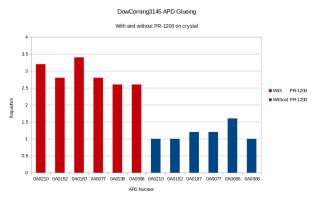
# Glueing Procedure: $BO \leftrightarrow GI$

- Discussion with Barrel people (GI) in October
- Adopted some of their glueing techniques (pressure vs. evacuation of glue)
- Definition of coupling strength:
   Tool to remove glued APDs well defined (milled off 18 mm nut, torque wrench)
- No improvement in coupling strength
- Hope: Primer Dow Corning PR-1200 RTV
- Primer improves adhesion of moisture reactive silicons to non-porous substrates
- Improvement of coupling by use of primer:  $> 3 \times \text{the strength (breaking torque), durability (T-cycling)}$
- Transparency, radiation hardness of primer?



### Glueing Procedure: BO ↔ GI

- Comparison: Glueings done w/ vs. w/o primer
- Within group (red, blue): w/ vs. w/o pressure application



 Additional: Vacuumizing does not harm coupling, however pressurized curing more applicable

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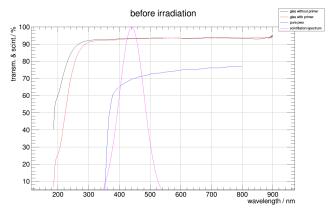


• Primered couplings may become stronger than crystal...

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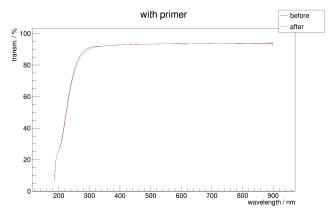
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- Transparency comparison w/ vs. w/o primer measured by Giessen colleagues
- ⇒ Transparency hardly impaired, no loss at relevant PbWO<sub>4</sub> wavelengths!



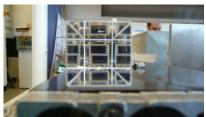
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- Radiation hardness of primer involved coupling measured by Giessen colleagues:
- No transparency loss after irradtion (PANDA lifetime dose)!



# Primer Involved Couplings

- For the forward endcap EMC we will go for primered glueing!
- $\bullet$  Several test crystal units having performed tempeature cycling operation (-25/20  $^{\circ}\text{C})$  and still do no coupling problems
- 18, 30, 72 test cycles so far, corresponding to months of operation yet
- Bonn cosmics APD preamp gain determination measurements done with primer coupling incl. transport BO  $\rightarrow$  BN  $\rightarrow$  BO



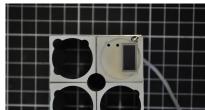


#### APD Preamplifiers

- Latest Bonn cosmics measurements on two (primer glued) final-like APD equipped crystals finished
- Goal was confirmation of necessary APD preamp gain of former measurements (2015 Bonn beam time data)
- Finally both measurements give consistent results of a needed preamp gain of 0.1 V/pC
- (There is one of the four APD-channels malfunctioning: Factor three lower response, some mV offset at output → need to dismantle and look for reason)
- This is the gain the latest ringing free preamp version already has (earlier estimation)
- Order of all 6500 pieces needed (incl. spares) passed to Basel, delivery expected in spring 2017

- All forward endcap crystals have been moved to Bochum
- 50/100 VPTTs still need to be screened for B-field gain loss (Bonn) and 1 kV-gain (Bochum)
- When full data set is available assignment of photo tubes to (radiation hardest) crystals will be finished (VPTT gain, crystal light yield)
  - ightarrow Talk by Merlin in this session
- About 150 VPTTs equipped with voltage divider PCBs
- What is missing/currently worked on for subunit assembly is
  - Suitablity of VPTT capsules
  - Final concept of annealing LED mounting

- VPTT/APD capsules
  - May or may not transfer stress to crystal-photo detector coupling due to sagging/tilting of crystals in alveole
  - $\bullet$  Needed for proper closing the 'stack' in z-direction (VPTT)
  - Has at least to be modified to carry annealing LED (APD)
- Need to finalize concept of annealing LED mounting
- Space available but...
  - ...does the LED with its attached cabling introduce noise to the front end electronics (high-C APDs!)
  - ...do we machine the existing capsules (by hand) or do we go for a new modified production (APD)? (VPTT: cut)





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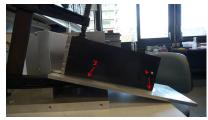
- Estimation of sagging and tilting of crystals in alveole with respect to stress on coupling via capsule
- On the table:
  - Crystal w/ photo detector and capsule can be tilted by at least
     1.5 dgrees up and down (safe!)
  - A parallel displacement of the crystal relative to the insert is possible by only 0.5 mm!
  - Crystal movement in alveole between manufacturing and mounting position possibly a combination of both





- Subunit filled with high accuracy brass crystal dummies, wrapped in reflective foil, equipped with capsules
- Assembled while sitting on table, then mounted to backplate-like suspension
- Measure clearance with feeler gauge on four positions relative to aluminum plate oriented parallel to insert
- All four orientations (crystal interface piece/backplate) checked





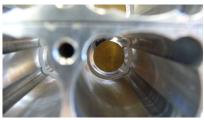
- Alveole almost always in line with lower plate
- Most important value: play at insert side relative to upper aluminum plate (position '1')
- Clearance at position '1' in any case less than 0.5 mm
- Things might even get better when inserts are glued to the alveole during final assembly (A  $\rightarrow$  A')



position $ ightarrow$	1	2	3	4
orientation				
Α	0.1	1.1	0	0
В	0.04	1.0	0.03	0
С	0.08	0.8	0	0
D	0.03	0.4	0	0.15
A' (+24 h)	0.15	1.3	0	0

all numbers mm distance

- Brute force test: pushing brass dummies in subunit by means of a lever (screw driver)
- Mark set in quiscent position, second mark set when pushed
- Marker line thickness 0.5 mm: estimated movement of crystal 0.5 mm (just okay)

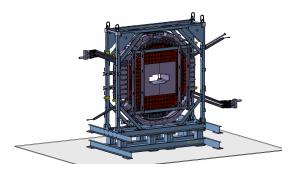




- Conclusion: The capusles offer enough play in the insert holes to not put stress on the photo detector-crystal couplings
- However, if we decide to build new capsules (APDs) we should redesign for even more play

### Forward Endcap Support Frame

- Jülich engineers (J. Colienne et al) finished construction of forward endcap support frame
- Massive steel constuction intended to suspend forward endcap during preassembly in Jülich
- Frame also supports forward endcap during transport from Jülich to Darmstadt



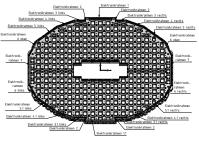
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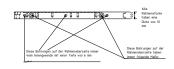
- Frame can be departed in front and back subframe, allowing to assist in insertion procedure of forward endcap into PANDA magnet
- There is an additional platform the frame will sit on in Jülich in order to match endcap position with COSY beam height
- The frame is currently under construction at a steel works company in Herne (Riedl)



#### Electronics Frame

• Electronics frame on forward endcap backplate manufactured and (test) installed











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#### Aluminum Front And Back Lids

- Front and back cover aluminum closing lids of forward endcap finished
- 0.8 mm front lid challanging to weld (and grind)
- Both lids water jet cutted after welding:
   Screw holes for mounting, securing, and beam hole





#### Aluminum Front And Back Lids

- 3 mm back lid turned out to got too much deformed during the welding process to be properly mounted
- Will go back to welding company for repair/grinding in January





#### Summary/Outlook

- The pressing problem with photo detector glueing is solved by usage of primer fluid
- All preamps now finalized and ordered (Basel)
- Subunit manufacturing can start as soon as recovery LED related issues are clear
- Forward endcap mechanics is progessing
- Support frame to be erected in COSY-TOF hall end of this month
- More forward endcap status related topics in this session:
  - SADC/shaper tests (Malte)
  - HV regulation board (Christoph)
  - Crystal/photo detector assignment (Merlin)
- Lever manipulator arm (CERN) for subunit mounting to backplane
  - Moving to Jülich, construction of PANDA subunit adapter