

# Focussing Disc DIRC – Status Report

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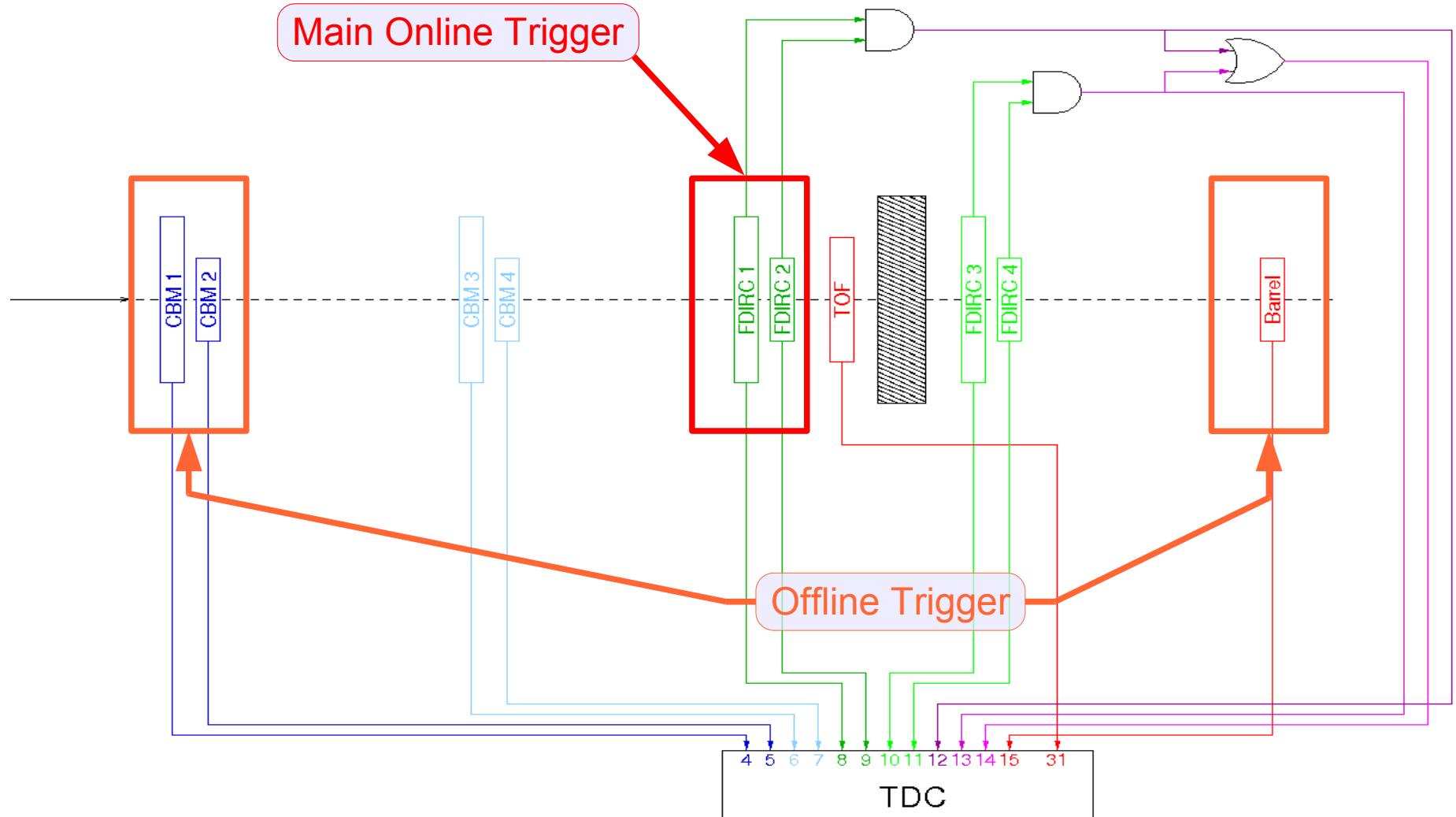
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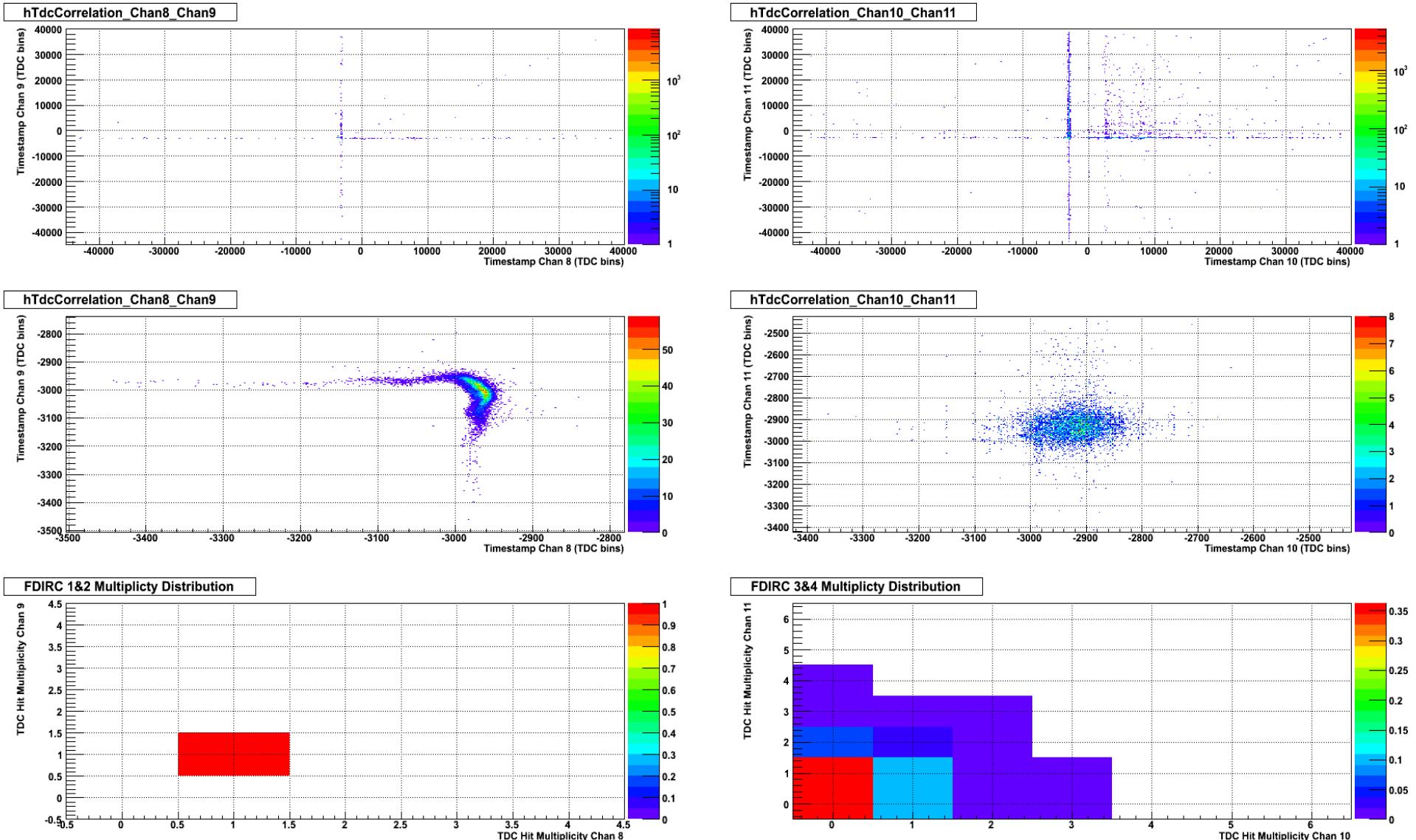
## 1<sup>st</sup> Test Experiment at GSI - Analysis

- ▶ Data Sets
  - ▶ Angles covered from -10 to 25°
    - ▶ Two impact positions: ~17cm and ~37cm from PMT
  - ▶ Linear scan
  - ▶ Thanks to Giessen Group for their stepper motors
- ▶ Data Selection
  - ▶ Data Quality
  - ▶ Offline Trigger Pattern
  - ▶ TDC Correlations
- ▶ Simulation
  - ▶ LITRANI with all relevant optical parameters  
(Dispersion, Absorption, QE etc.)

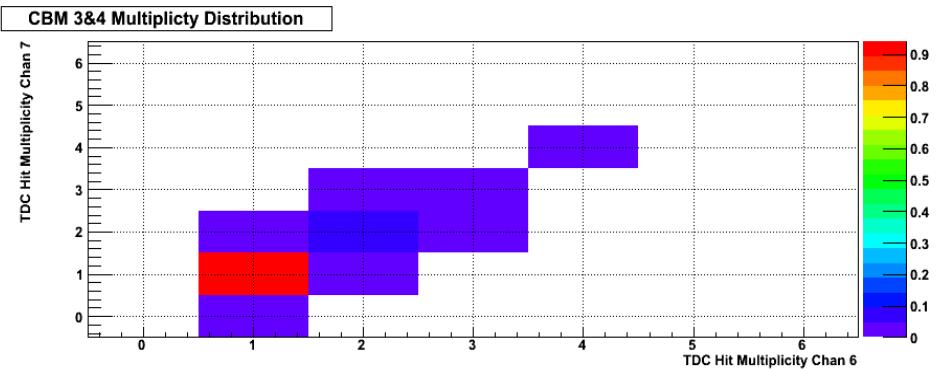
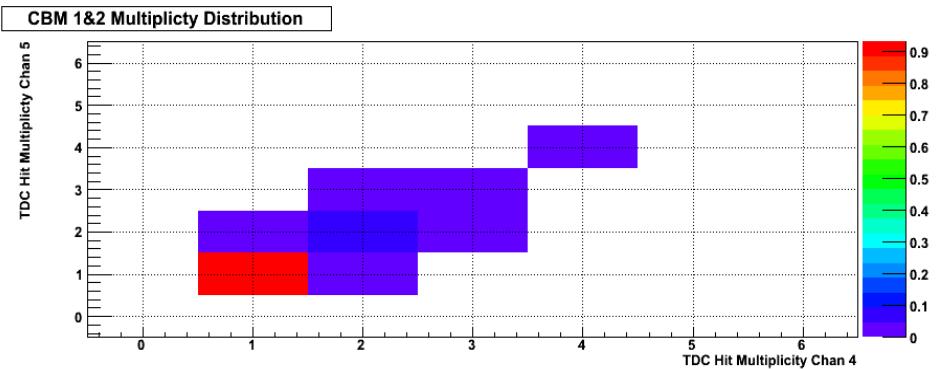
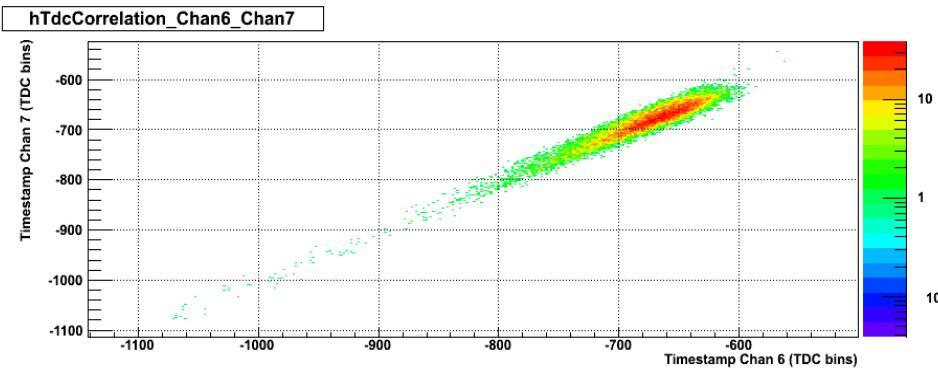
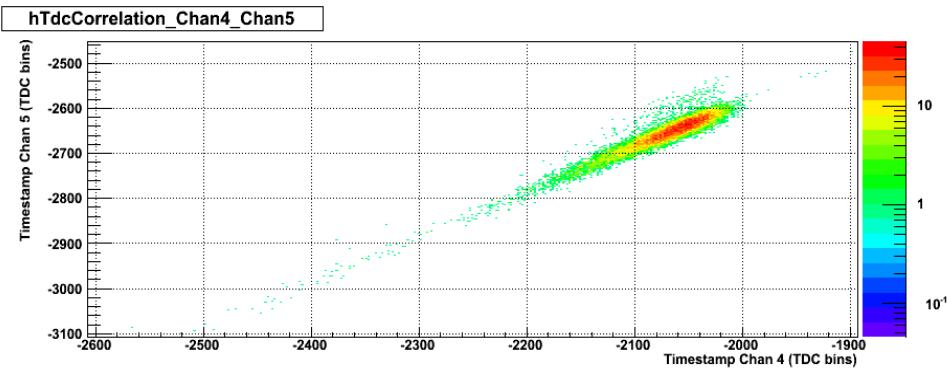
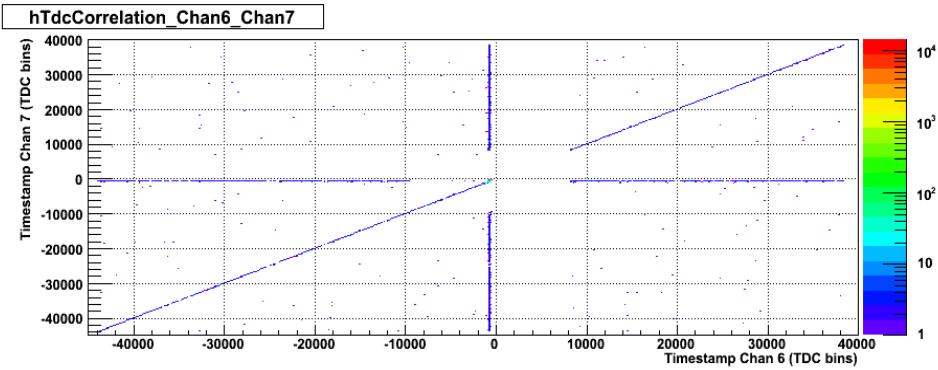
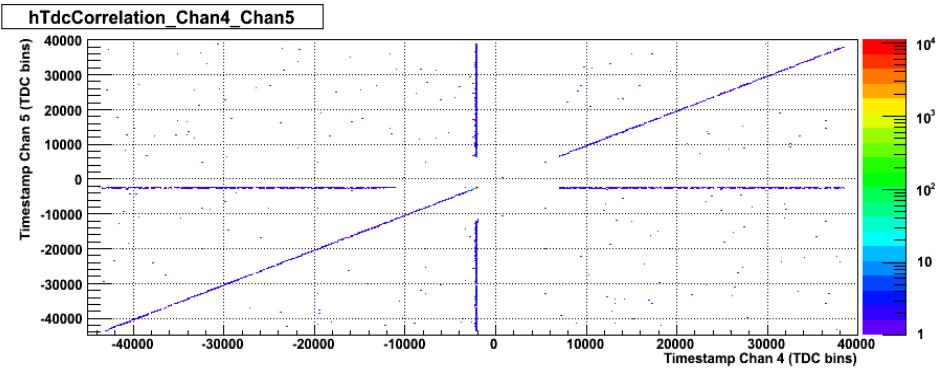
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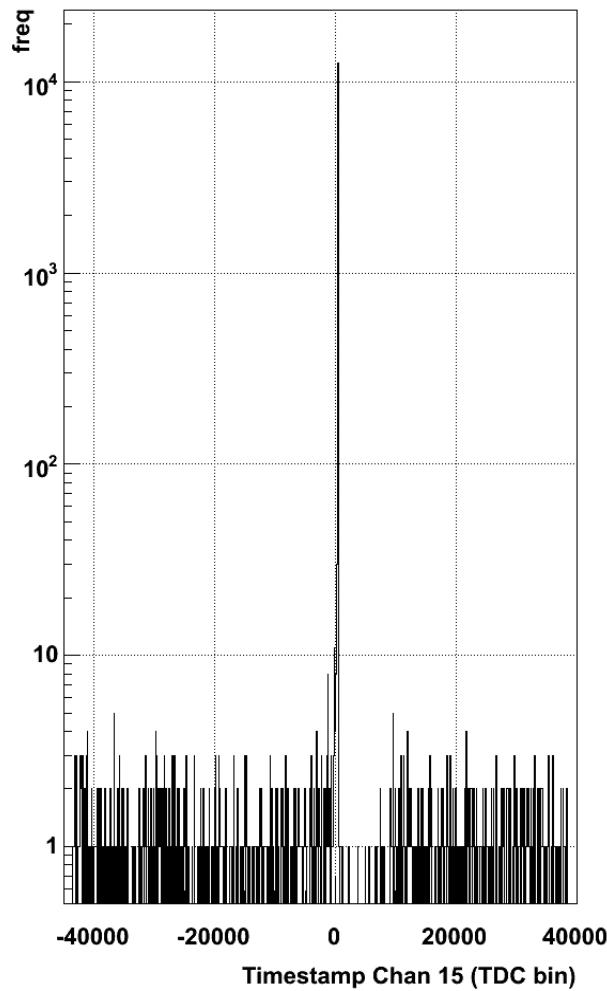


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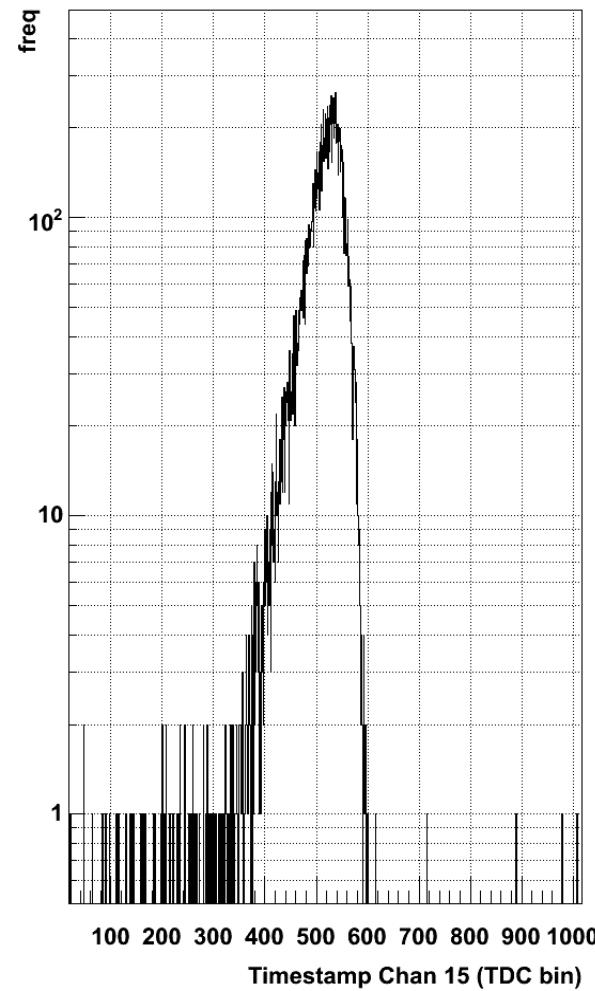


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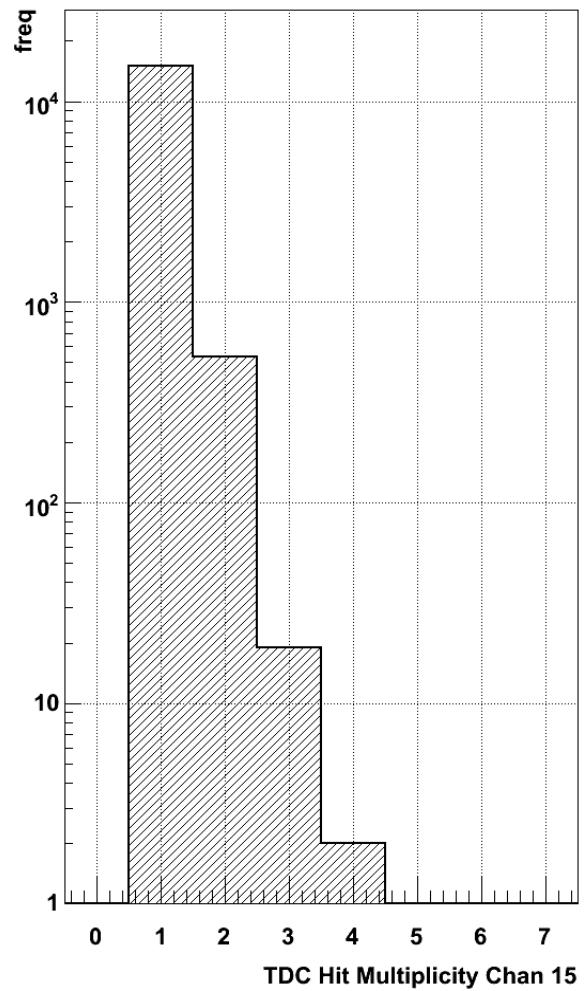
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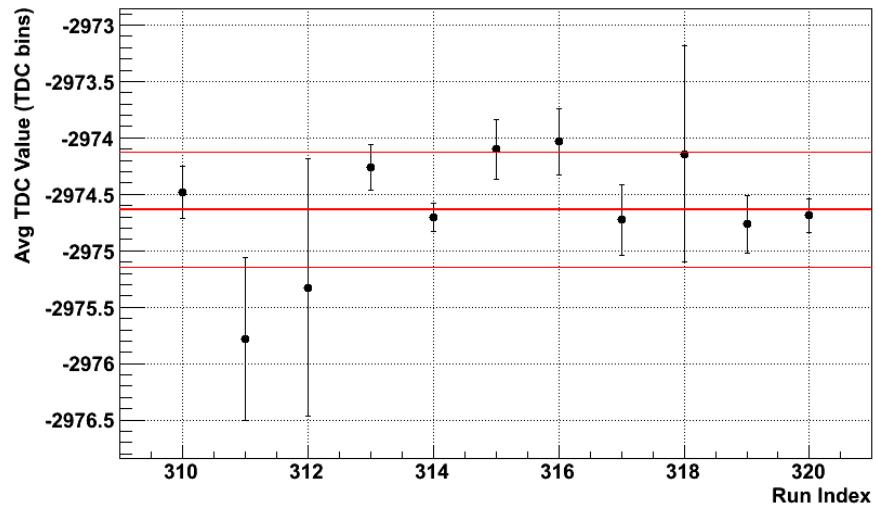


Barrel DIRC Trigger Multiplicity

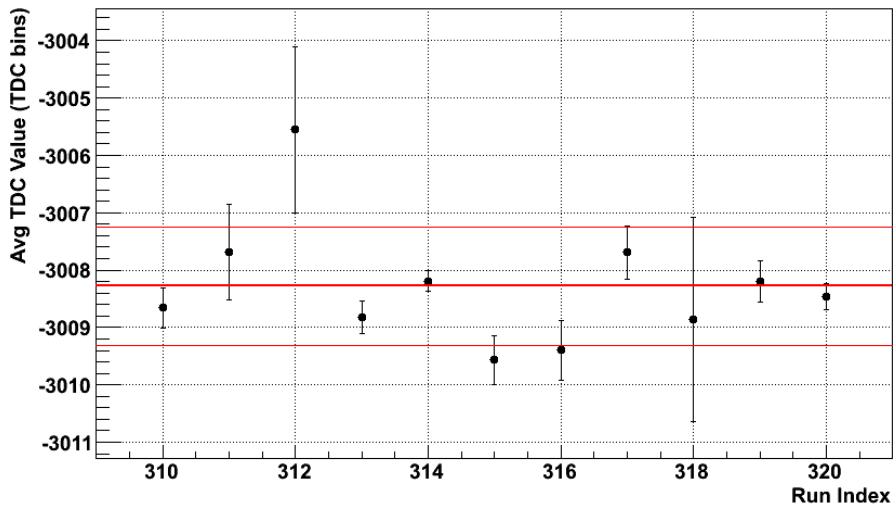


## 1<sup>st</sup> Test Experiment at GSI – Signal Stability

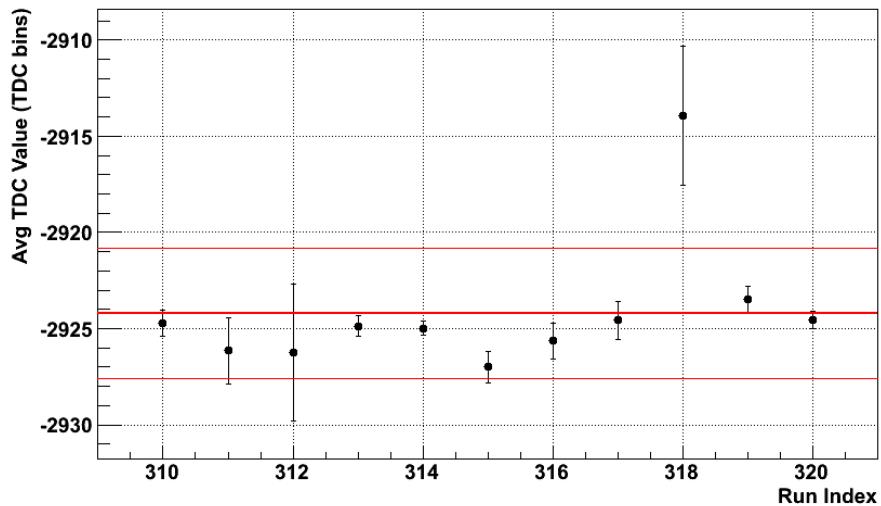
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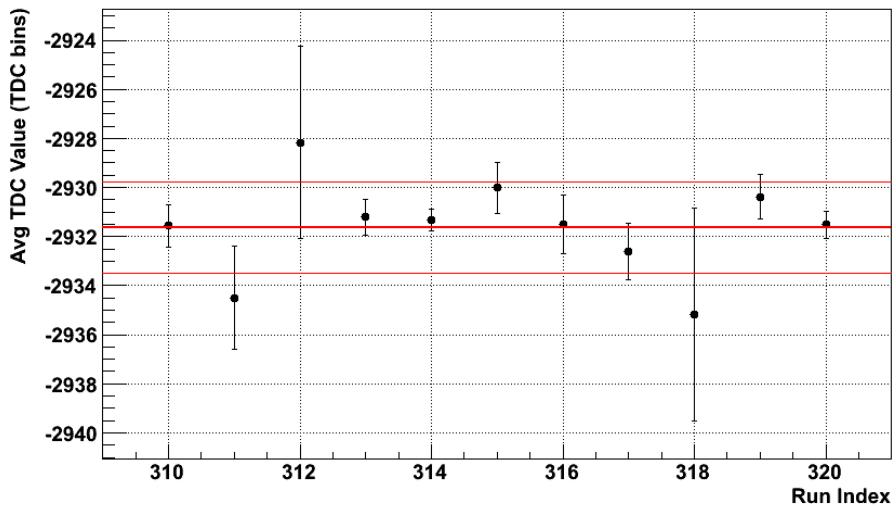
**FDIRC Trigger Scintillator 2**



**FDIRC Trigger Scintillator 3**

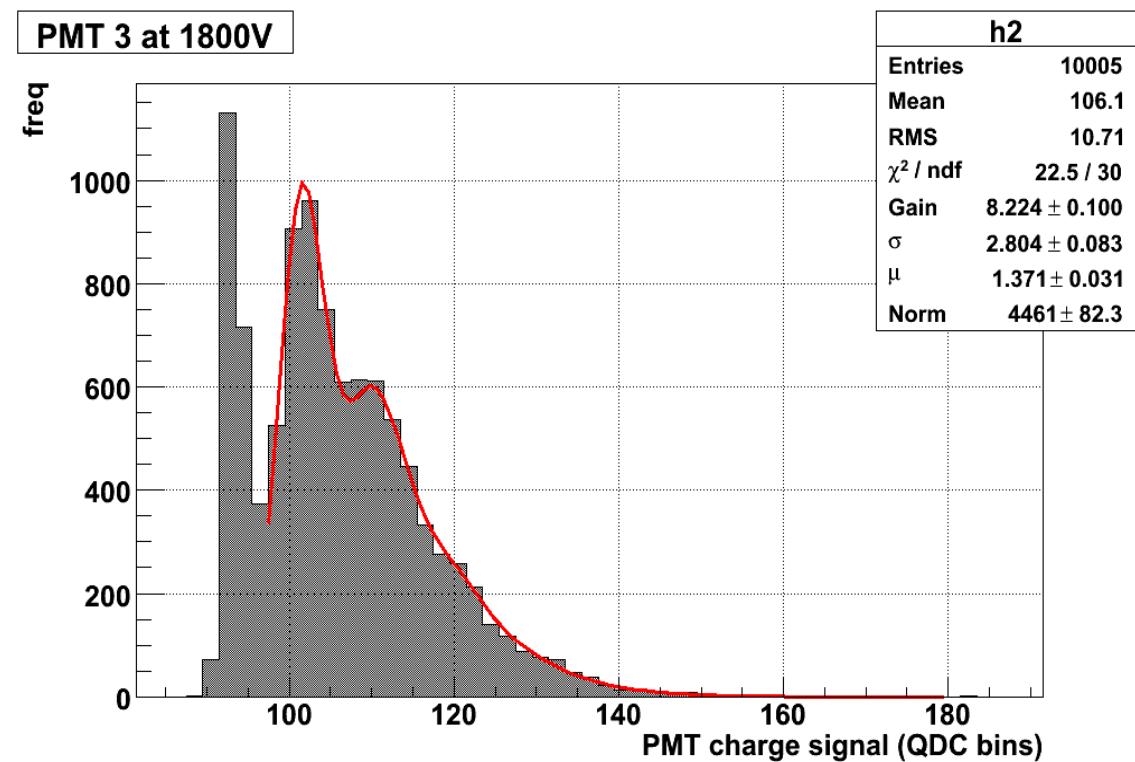


**FDIRC Trigger Scintillator 4**



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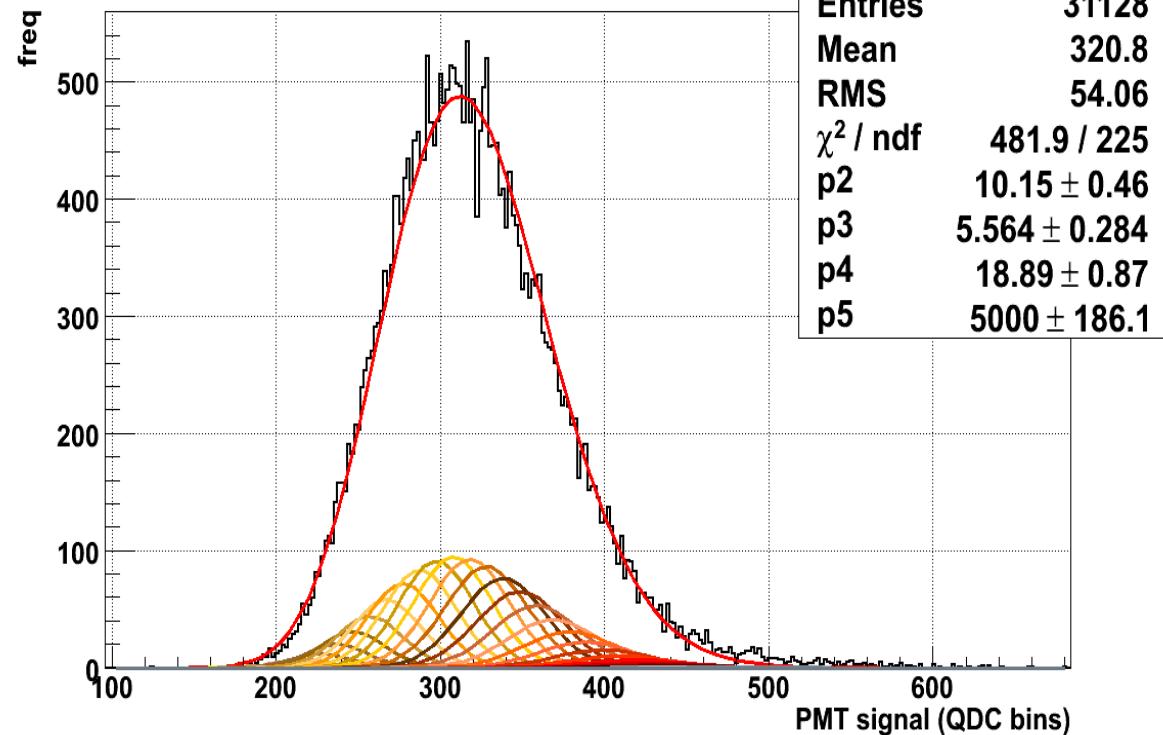
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  - ▶ 25% Gain mismatch observed

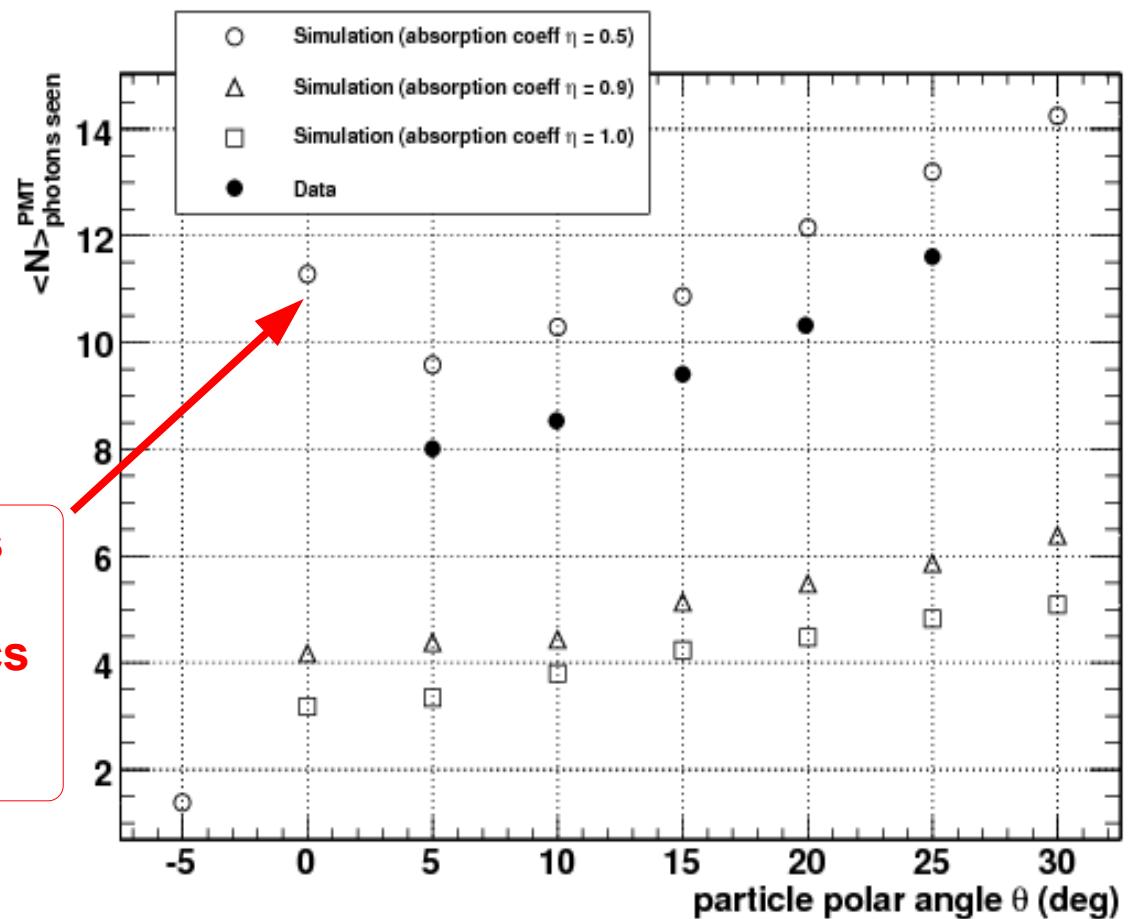
Run 364 - Cherenkov Signal



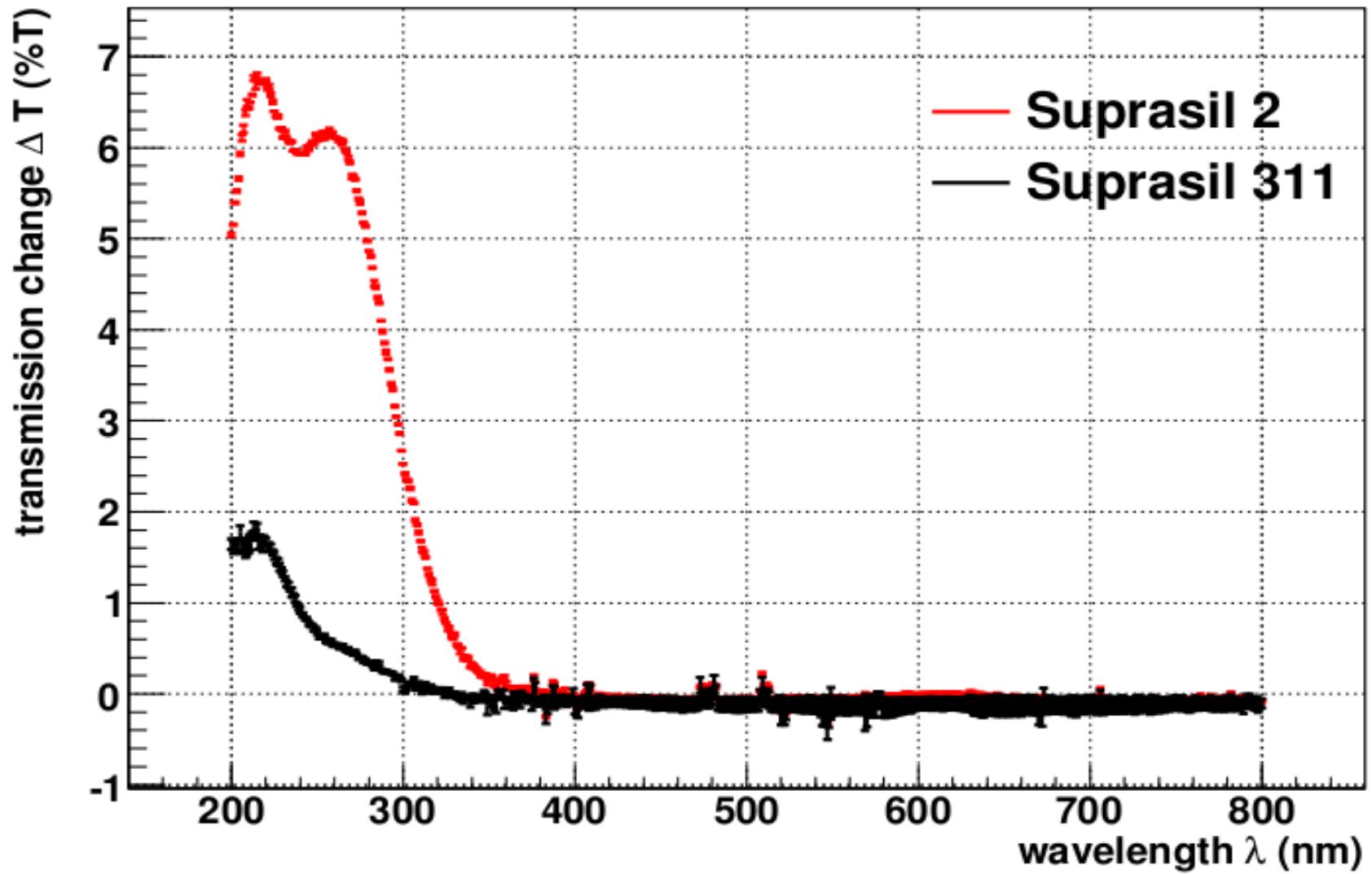
## 1<sup>st</sup> Test Experiment at GSI – Preliminary Results

- ▶ Absorption at bar edges
  - ▶ Cross check with independent measurement
- ▶ Positioning accuracy
  - ▶ LITRANI simulations indicate error < 1p.e. for  $\Delta z \sim 1\text{cm}$

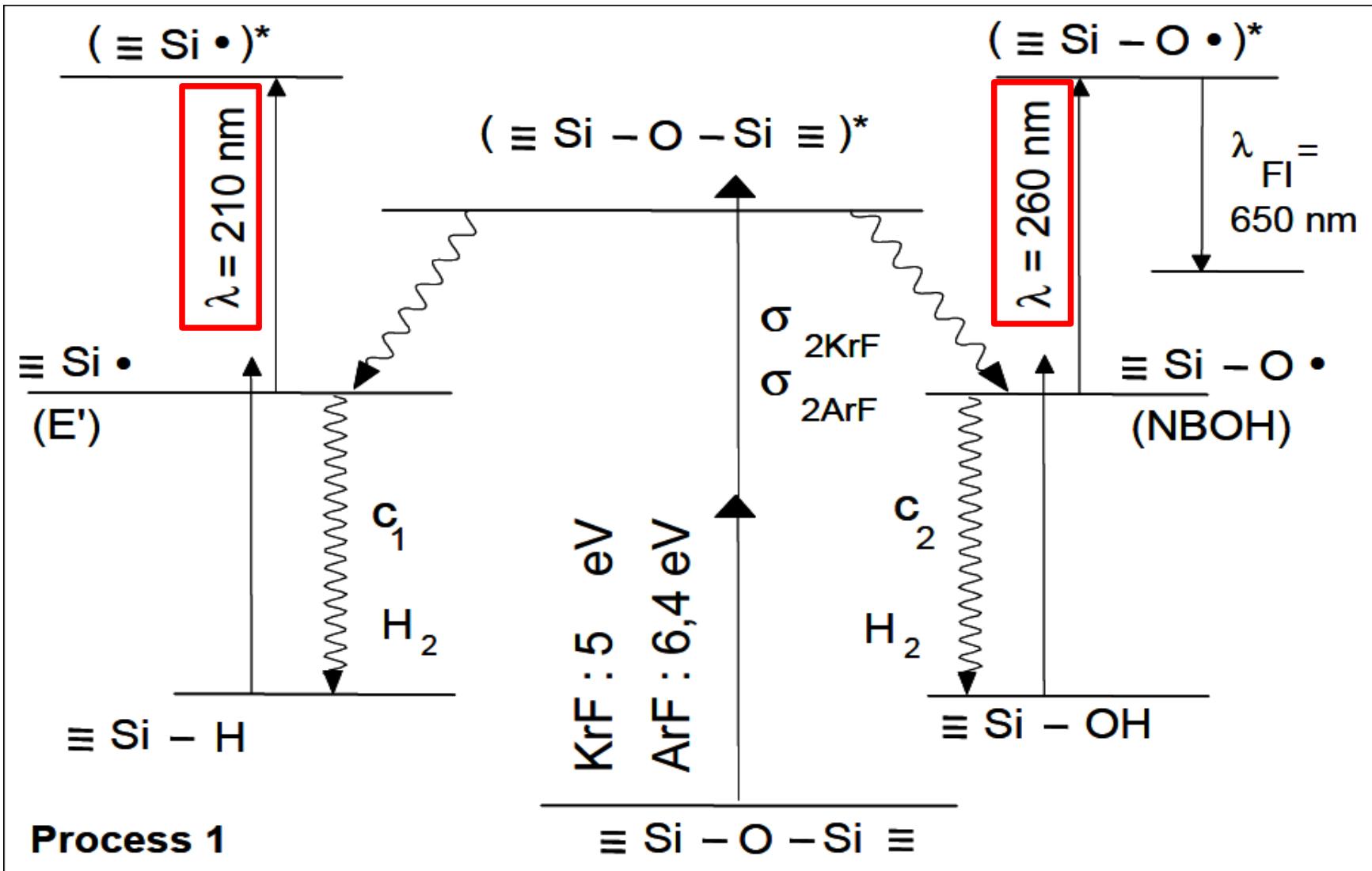
Rise depends  
on surface  
characteristics  
of far end of  
bar



## Radiation Hardness Studies - Suprasil



## Radiation Hardness – Fused Silica Defect Mechanisms

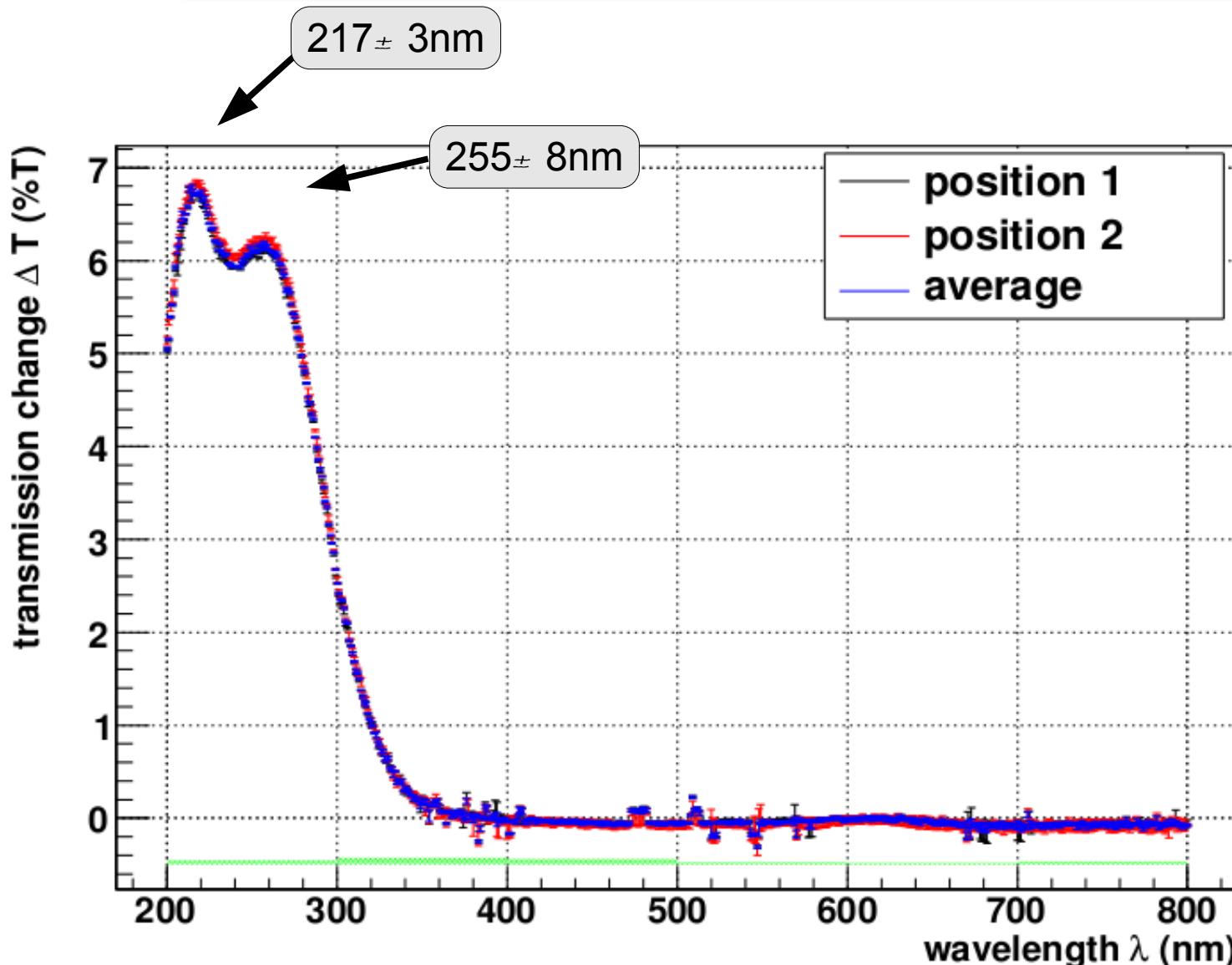


**Process 1**

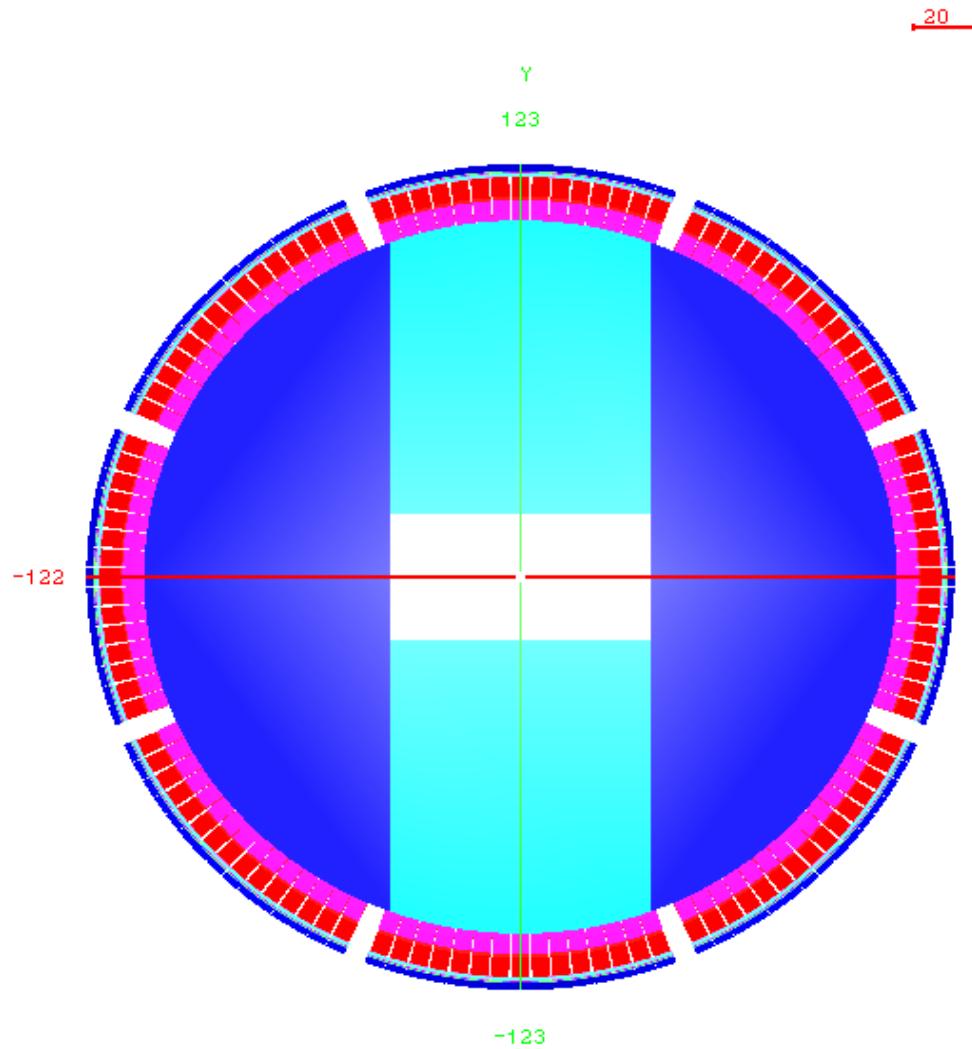
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U. Natura et al., Proc. Of SPIE Vol. 5273 (2003), pp 155-163

## Radiation Damage in Suprasil 2

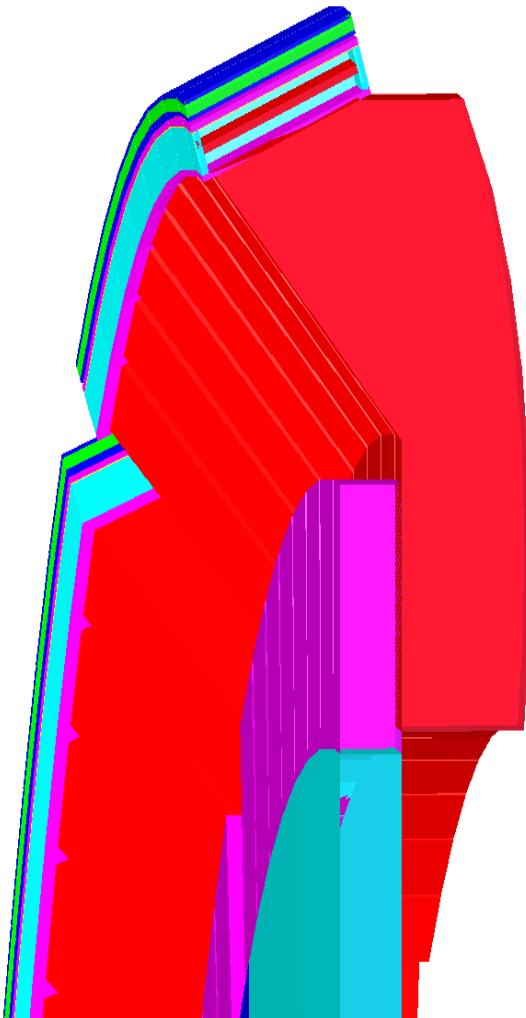


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## Outlook & Plans

- ▶ Prototype
  - ▶ Include Focussing Optics and Dispersion Correction Element
  - ▶ Position-Sensitive Photon Detector
  - ▶ Cosmics until next Test Experiment at GSI
- ▶ Electronics
  - ▶ NINO + HPTDC and Planacon MCP
  - ▶ Radiation Load Simulation (Endcap-EMC)
- ▶ Simulations
  - ▶ Include Focussing Disc DIRC in Panda RooT
  - ▶ Optimise LITRANI simulation of prototype with Focussing Lightguide