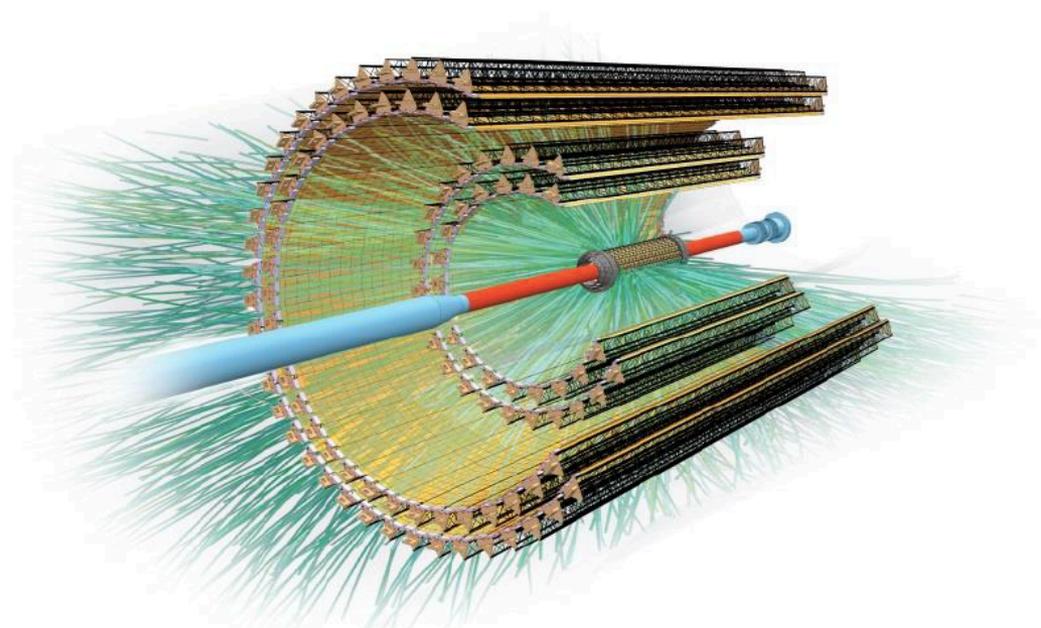


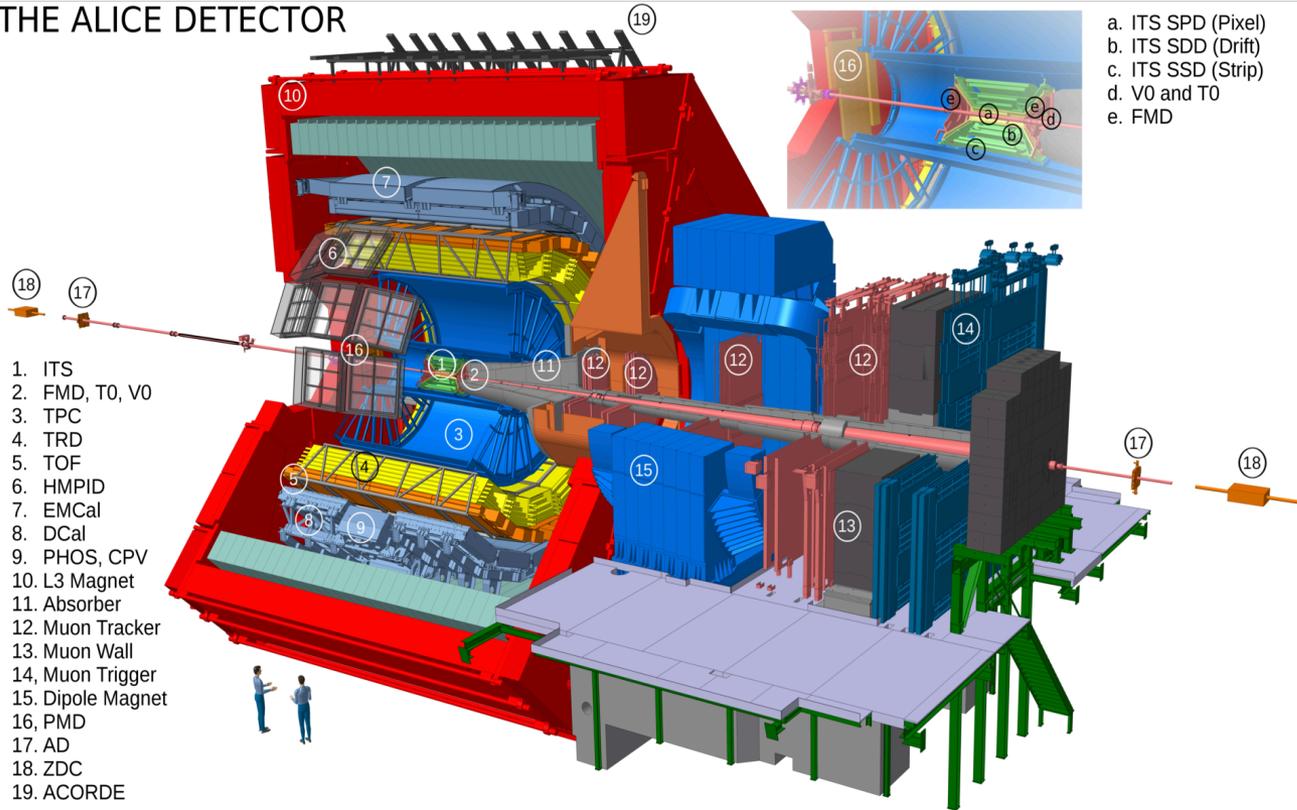
# The ALICE ITS Upgrade: System Aspects & State-of-the-art in the Construction

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# ALICE in Run 1 and Run 2

## THE ALICE DETECTOR



### Run 1 (2009 – 2013)

Pb-Pb @  $v_{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV

p-Pb @  $v_{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV

pp @  $v_s = 0.9, 2.76, 7, 8$  TeV

### Run 2 (2015 – 2018)

Pb-Pb @  $v_{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV

Xe-Xe @  $v_{s_{NN}} = 5.44$  TeV

p-Pb @  $v_{s_{NN}} = 5.02, 8.16$  TeV

pp @  $v_s = 5, 13$  TeV

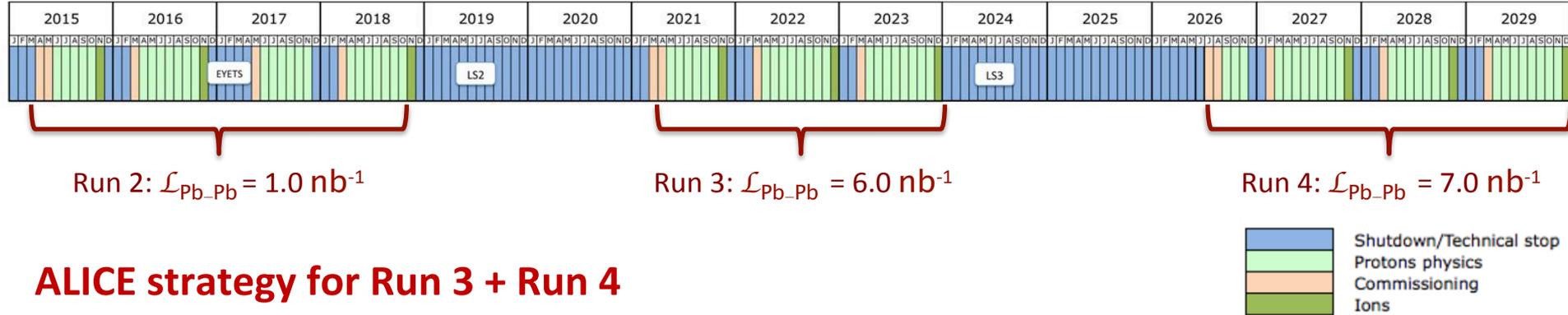
## ALICE Detector:

- ✓ Central Barrel:  $|\eta| < 0.9$
- ✓ Muon spectrometer:  $-4.0 < \eta < -2.5$
- ✓ Forward detectors: trigger, centrality

## Operation in Run 1 and Run 2:

- ✓ Tracking and PID in large kinematic range
- ✓ High resolution vertex reconstruction

# ALICE Upgrade Motivations



## ALICE strategy for Run 3 + Run 4

- ✓ 50 kHz Pb-Pb interaction rate (current < 10 kHz)
- ✓ Collect  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Pb-Pb}} \geq 13.0 \text{ nb}^{-1}$
- ✓ Experiment upgrades during LS2

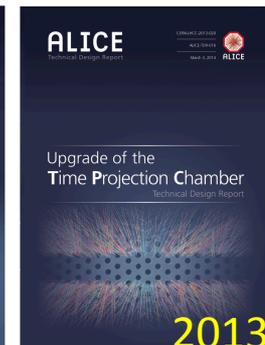
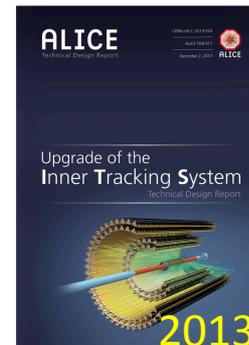
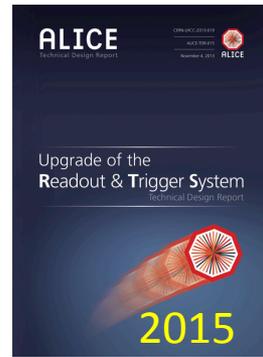
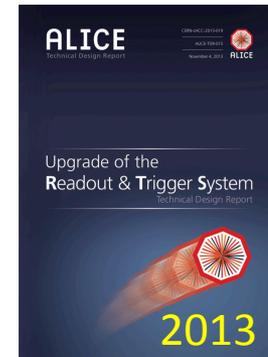
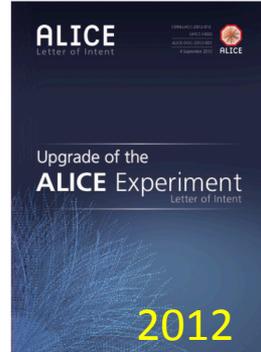
## ALICE physics goal → High-precision measurements of QGP properties

- Heavy-flavour and Quarkonia at very low  $p_T$ 
  - ❖ Mechanism of quark-medium interactions
  - ❖ Dissociation/regeneration as tool to study de-confinement and medium temperature
- Low-mass vector mesons and low-mass di-leptons
  - ❖ Chiral symmetry restoration, initial temperature and EOS
- High-precision measurement of light nuclei and hyper-nuclei
  - ❖ QGP nucleosynthesis, exotics

# ALICE Upgrade Motivations

## Main detector requirements

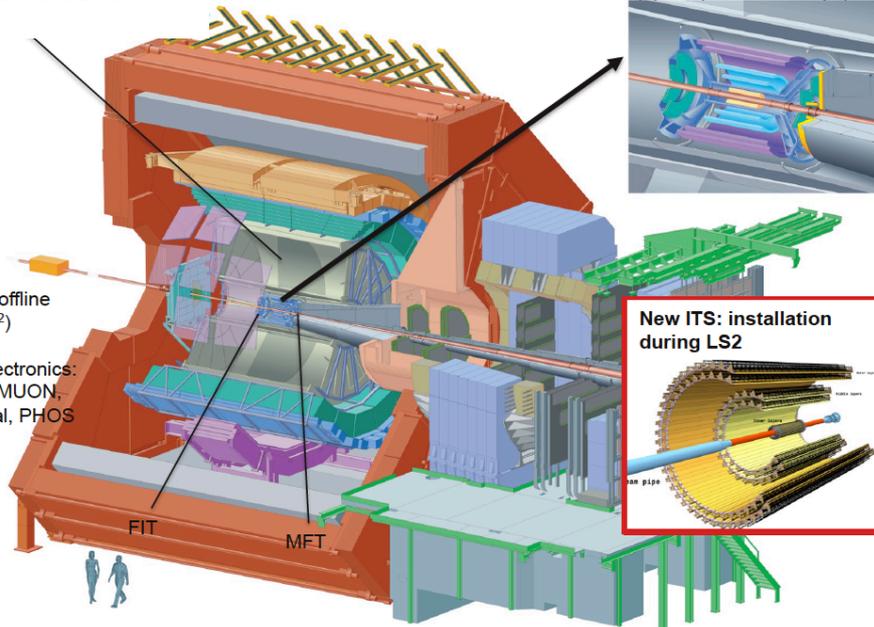
- High tracking efficiency and resolution at low  $p_T$ 
  - ❖ Increase granularity, reduce material thickness
- High-statistics, un-triggered data sample
  - ❖ Increase readout rate, reduce data size (online data reduction)
- Preserve excellent particle id capabilities
  - ❖ Consolidate and “speed-up” PID detectors



TPC: readout with GEM's

Online and offline systems (O<sup>2</sup>)

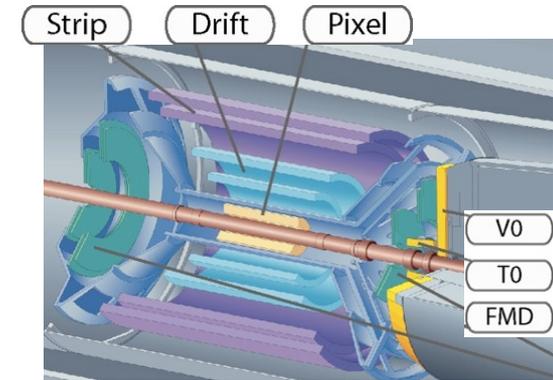
Readout electronics:  
TOF, TRD, MUON,  
ZDC, EMCal, PHOS



# ALICE ITS Upgrade

## 1. Improve impact parameter resolution by a factor of 3 (5) in $r\phi$ (z)

- Reduce beam pipe radius: 29mm  $\rightarrow$  18.2 mm
- Get closer to IP (position of first layer): 39 mm  $\rightarrow$  23 mm (layer 0)
- Reduce material budget:  $\sim 1.14\%$   $\rightarrow$   $\sim 0.3\%$  (for inner layers)
- Reduce pixel size: 50mm x 425mm  $\rightarrow$  29 mm x 27 mm

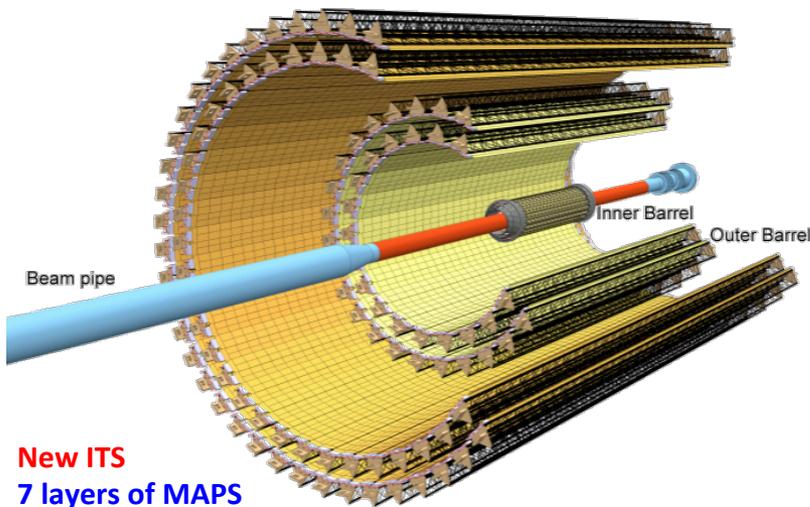


Current ITS

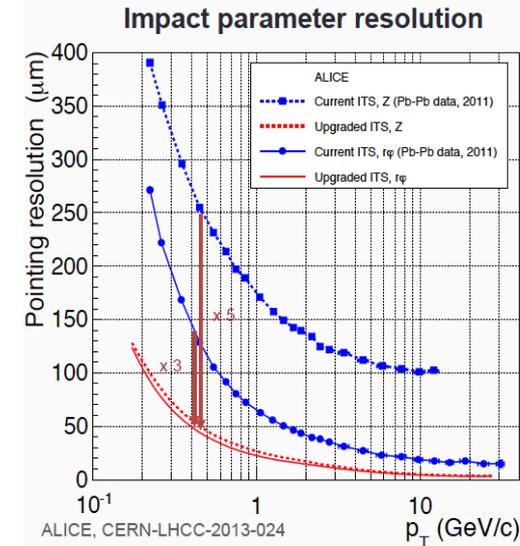
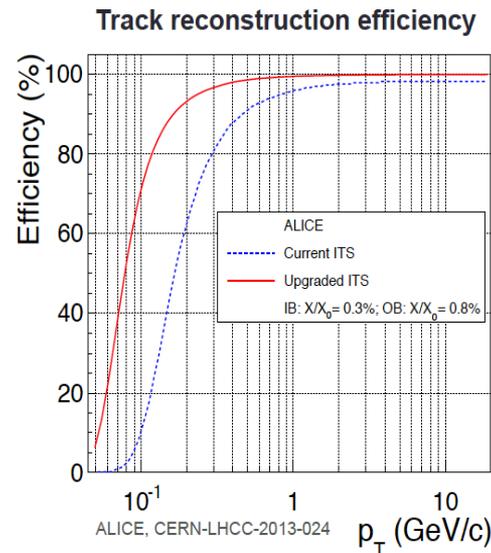
## 2. Improve tracking efficiency and $p_T$ resolution at low $p_T$

- Improved integration time:  $< 10 \mu\text{s}$
- Increase granularity and radial extension: 6 layers  $\rightarrow$  7 MAPS layers

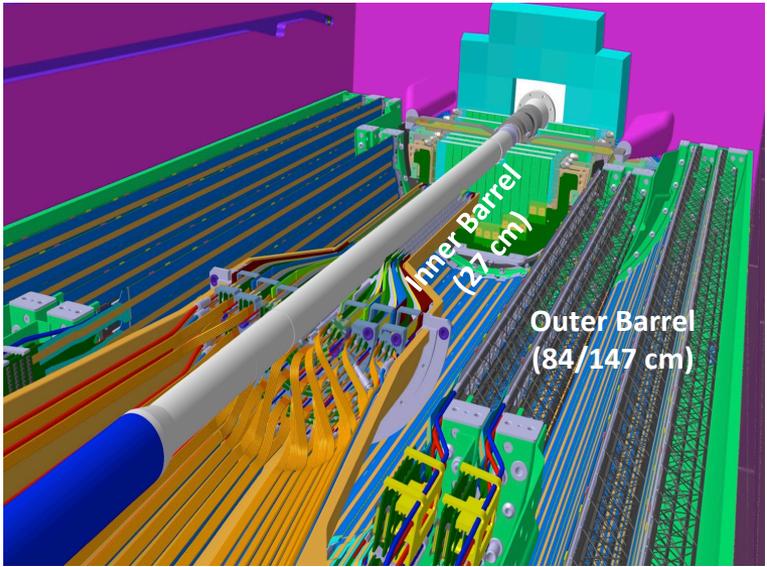
## 3. Fast readout: 50 kHz @ Pb-Pb



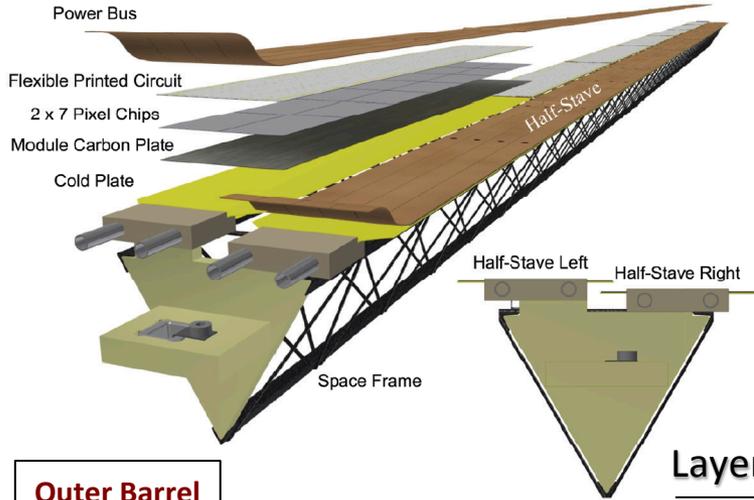
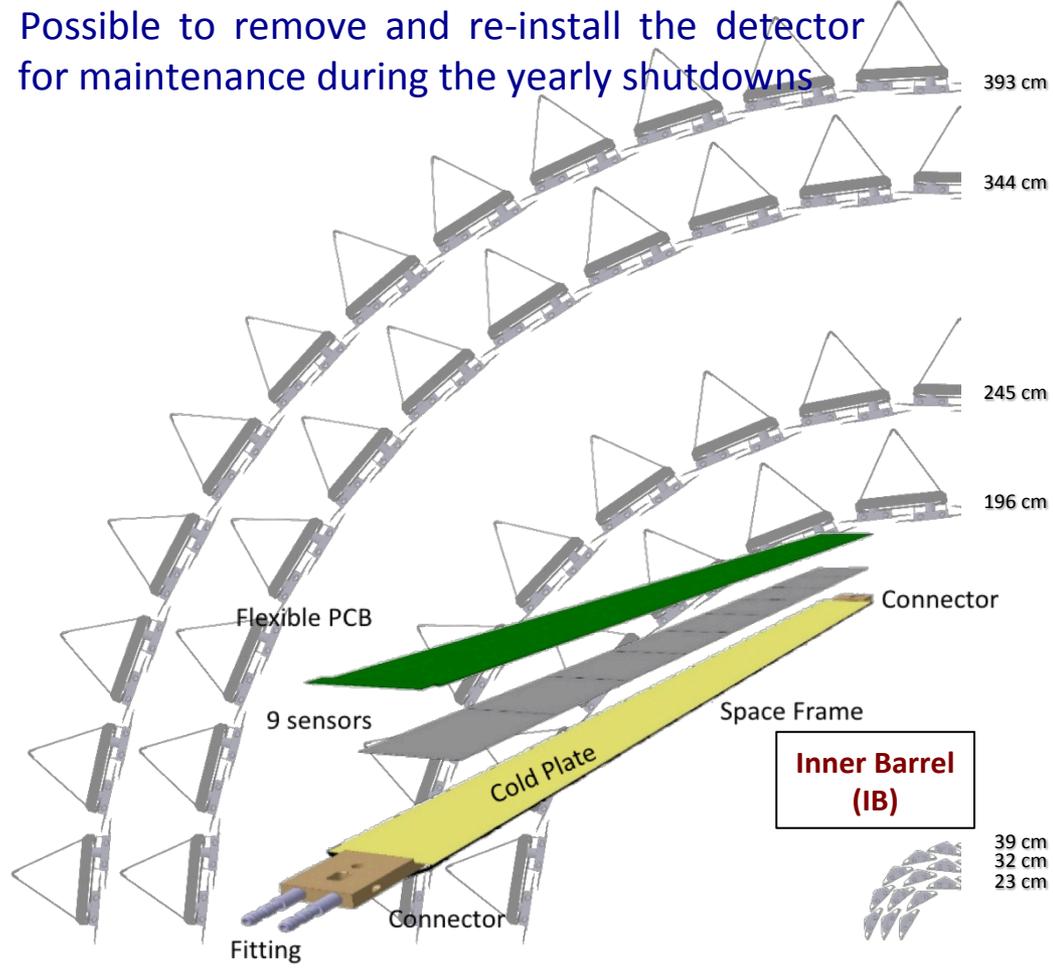
**New ITS**  
 7 layers of MAPS  
 12.5G pixels,  $\sim 10 \text{ m}^2$  active area



# New ITS Layout



- ✓ Ultra-lightweight support structure and cooling
- ✓ Possible to remove and re-install the detector for maintenance during the yearly shutdowns

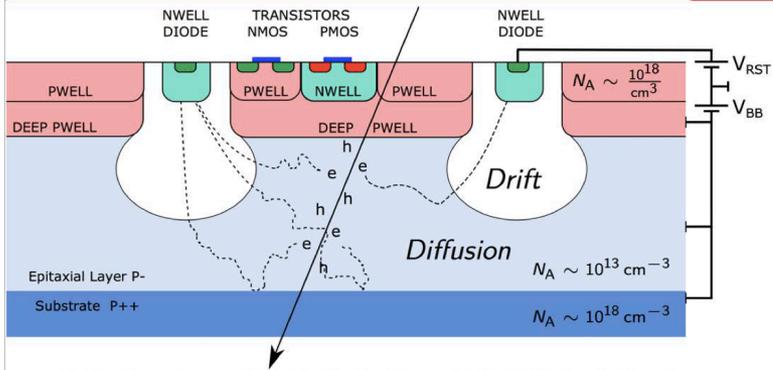


**Outer Barrel (OB)**

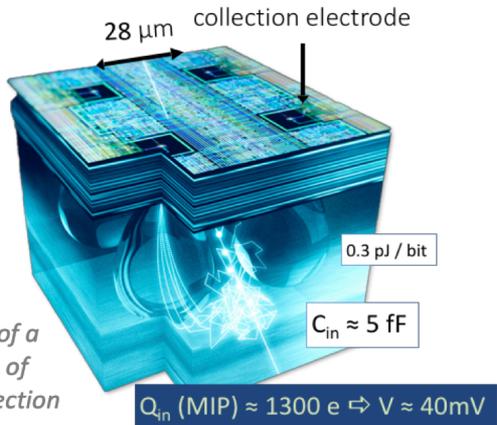
**Inner Barrel (IB)**

Layer #	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
N. of Stave	48	42	30	24	20	16	12

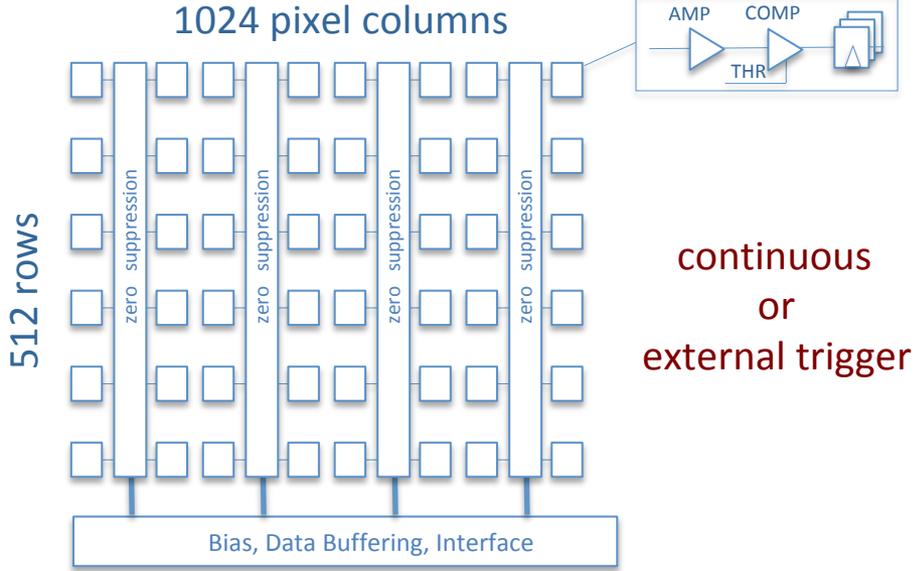
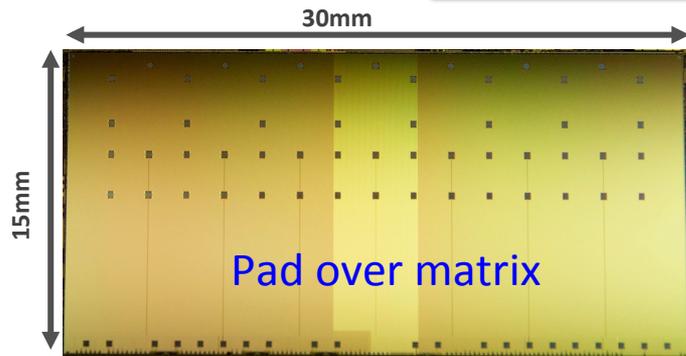
# CMOS MAPS – ALICE Pixel Detector (ALPIDE)



**MAPS manufactured in Tower-Jazz  
180nm CMOS**



Artistic view of a SEM picture of ALPIDE cross section

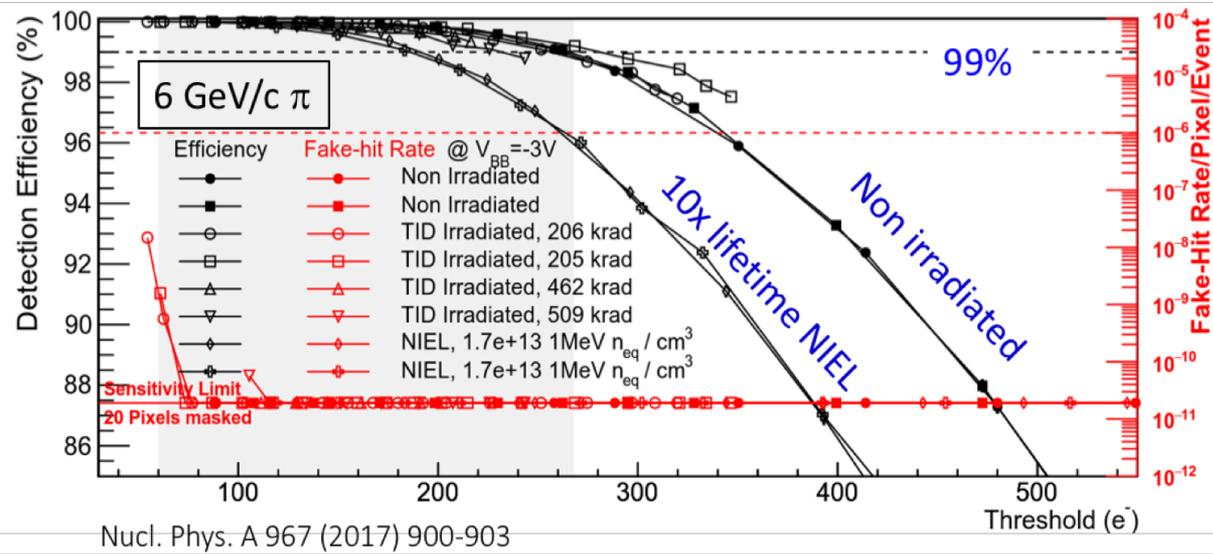


continuous  
or  
external trigger

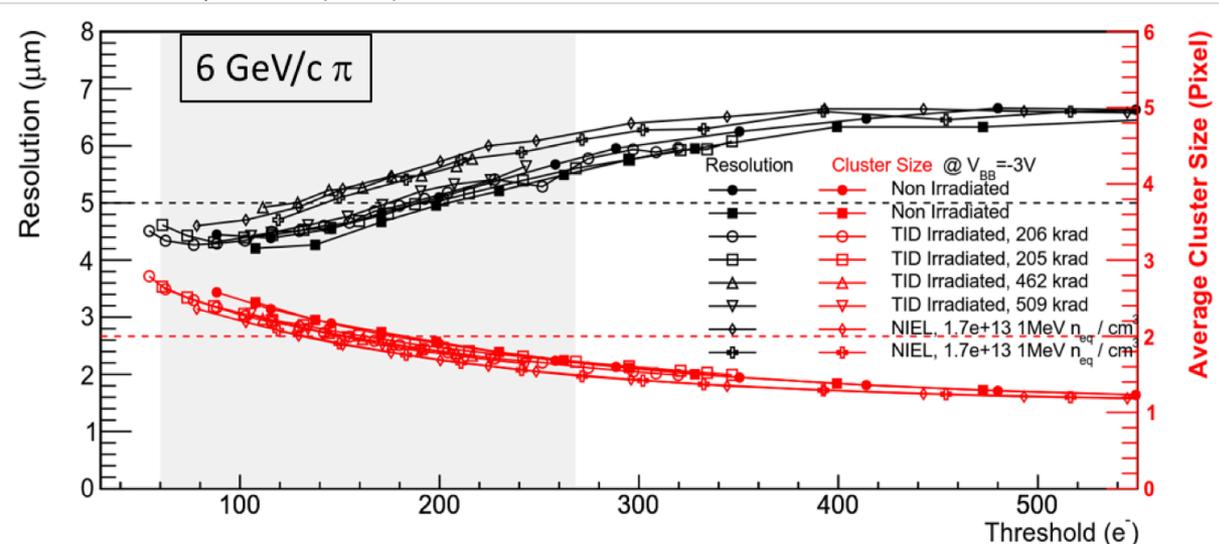
## Key Features:

- ⊙ Dimensions: 30mm x 15mm x 50 (100) μm
- ⊙ Pixel pitch: 29μm x 27μm
- ⊙ Spatial resolution: ~ 5 μm (3-D)
- ⊙ Fake-hit rate: ~10<sup>-10</sup> pixel/event
- ⊙ Ultra-low power (entire chip): < 40mW/cm<sup>2</sup>
- ⊙ Global shutter: triggered acquisition (200 kHz) or continuous (integration time <10μs)

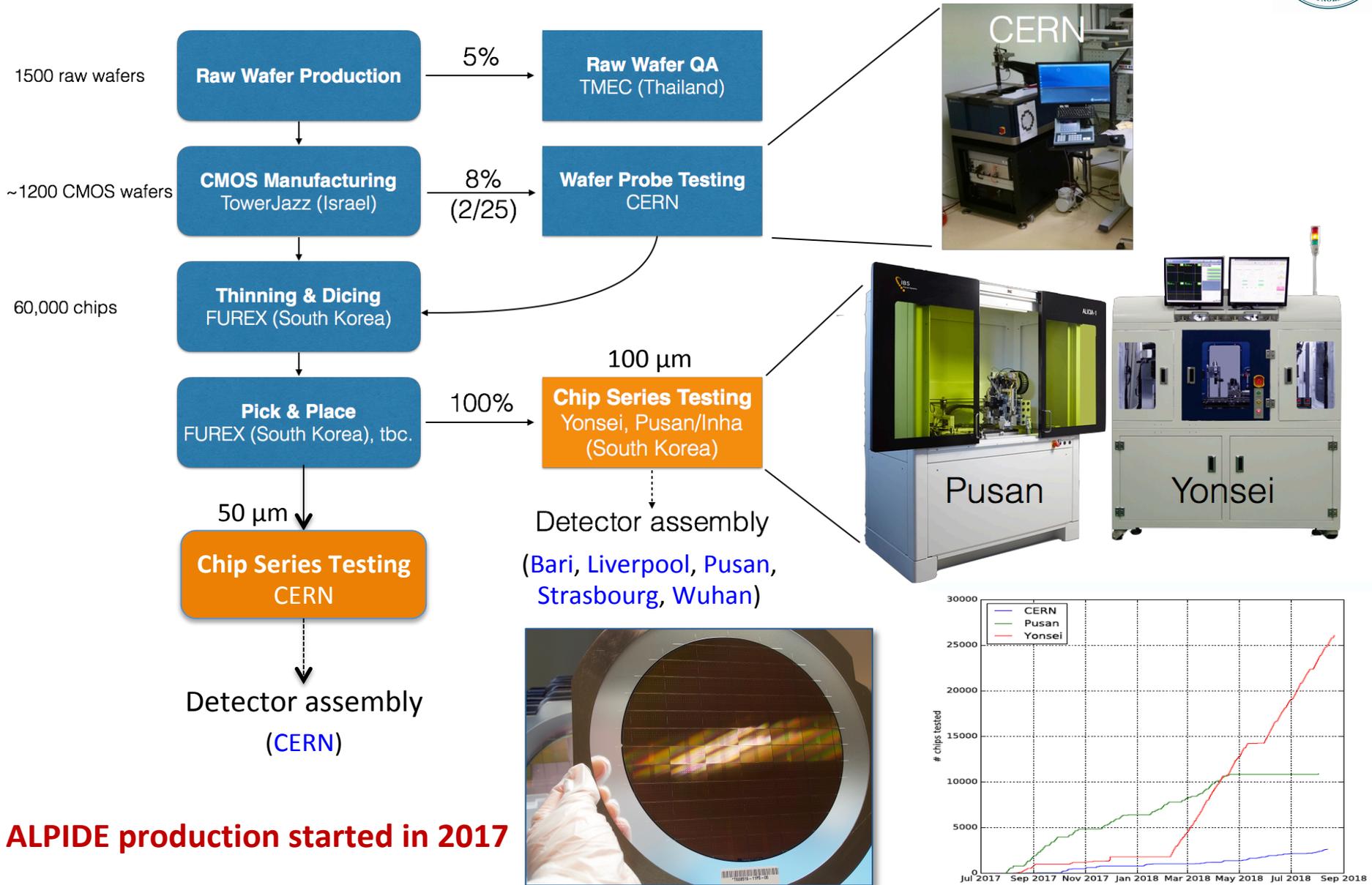
## ALPIDE radiation tolerance:



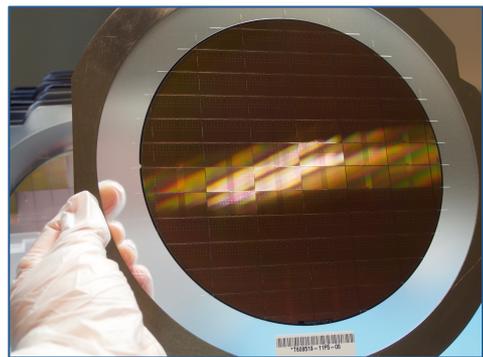
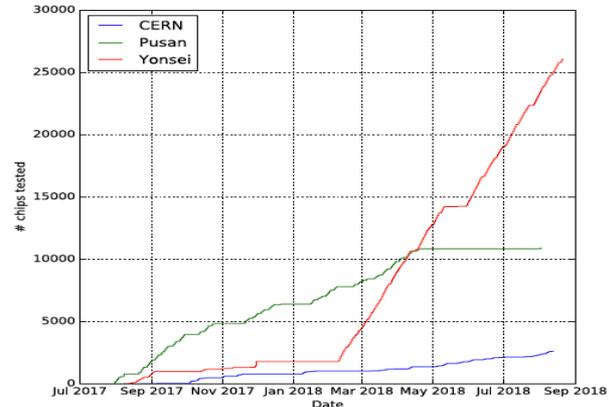
- Radiation requirements:
  - 270 krad
  - $1.7 \times 10^{12}$  1 MeV  $n_{eq} / cm^2$
- After 10x lifetime NIEL irradiation  
Fake hit rate:  $10^{-10}$  hit/event with 0.002% masked pixels
- Spatial resolution: 5  $\mu m$
- Negligible chip to chip variations
- Excellent detector performance before/after irradiation over a wide range of operational setting



# CMOS MAPS – ALICE Pixel Detector (ALPIDE)

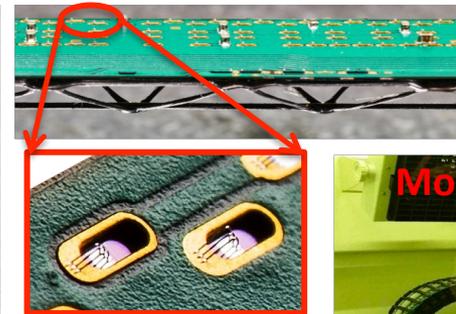
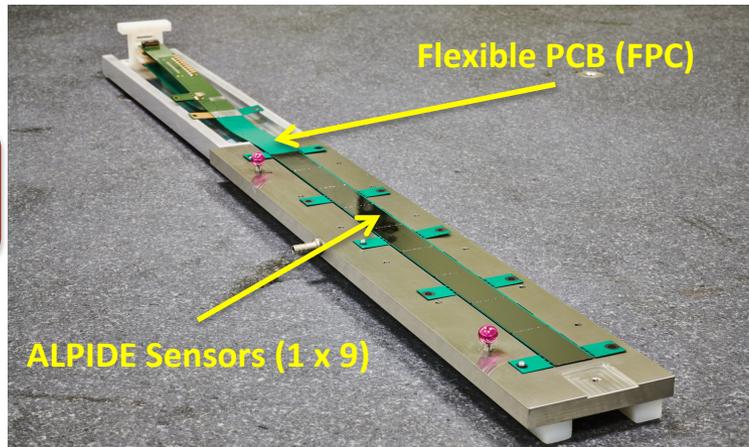


**ALPIDE production started in 2017**



# Construction – Inner Barrel HIC Modules and Staves

Module Assembly

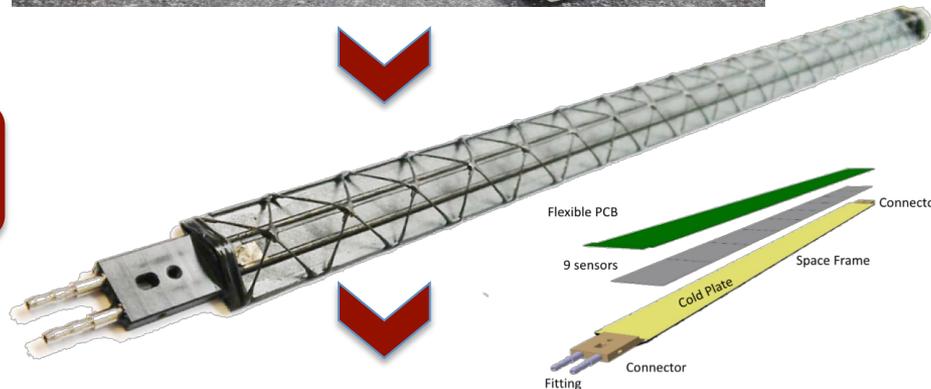


**HIC:** Hybrid Integrated Circuit  
(IB: 9 chips + FPC; OB: 14 chips + FPC)

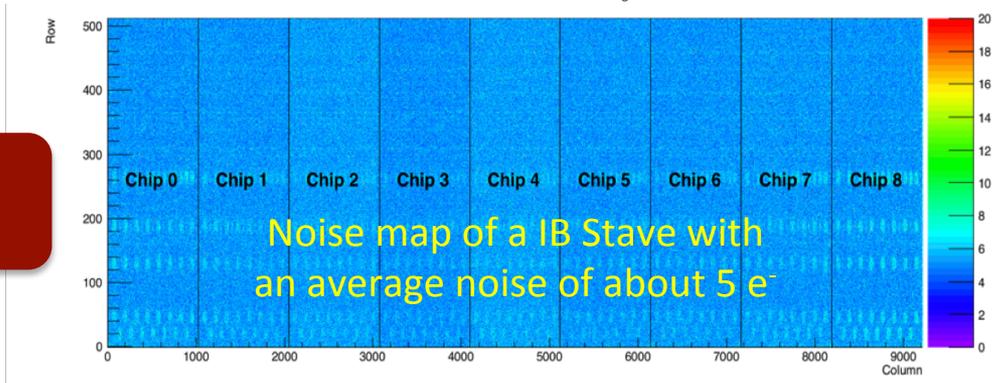
**ALICIA:**  
Module Assembly Machine



Stave Assembly



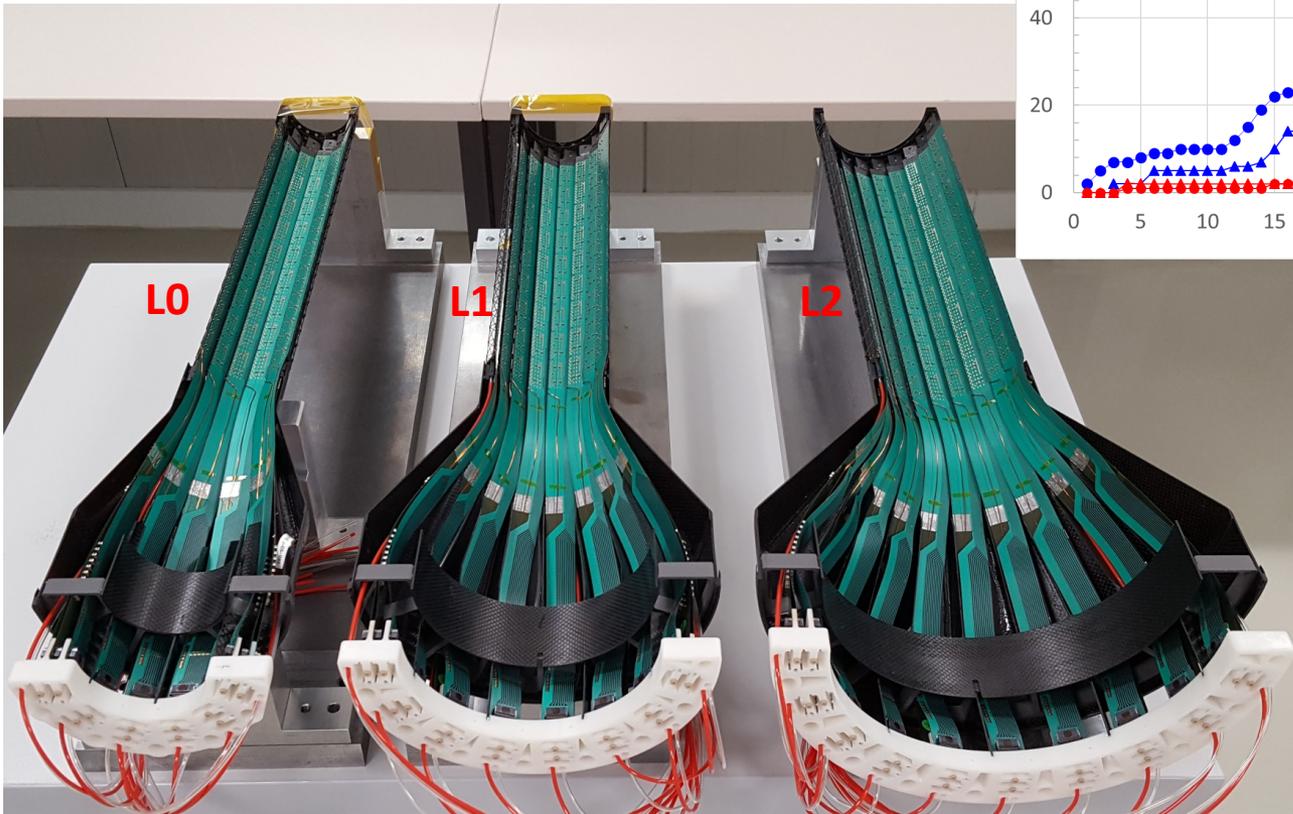
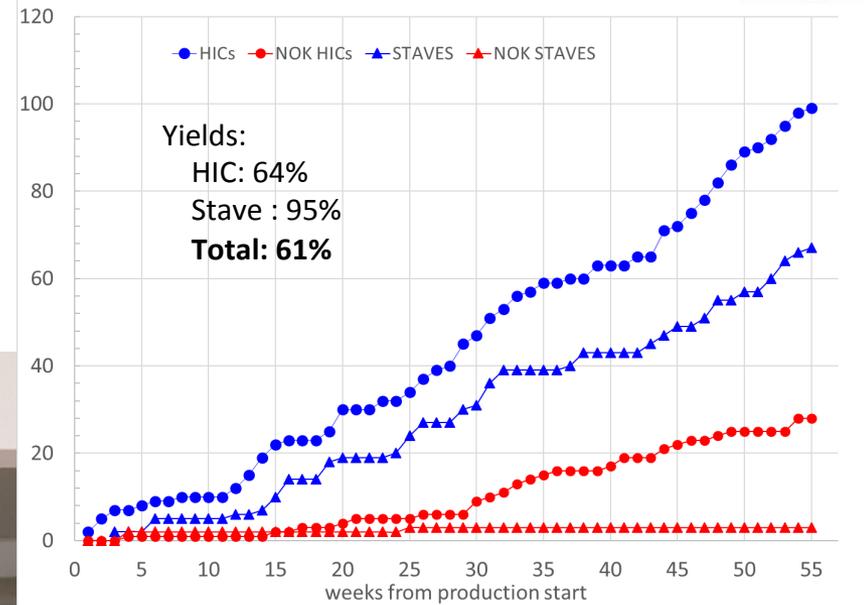
Testing



- Required production quantity
  - 120 HICs (48 staves per Inner Barrel, 2 Inner Barrels, plus spares)
- Sensor alignment in a custom designed Module Assembly Machine (ALICIA):
  - 5  $\mu\text{m}$  precision chip placement
  - 6 machines were installed at HIC construction sites (IB: CERN; OB: Bari, Liverpool, Pusan, Strasbourg, Wuhan)
- HIC/Stave testing
  - using dedicated test setup
  - classification scheme according to the results of various functional tests

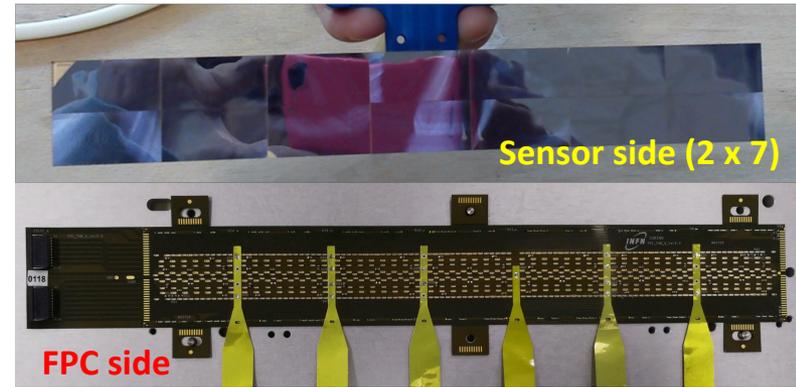
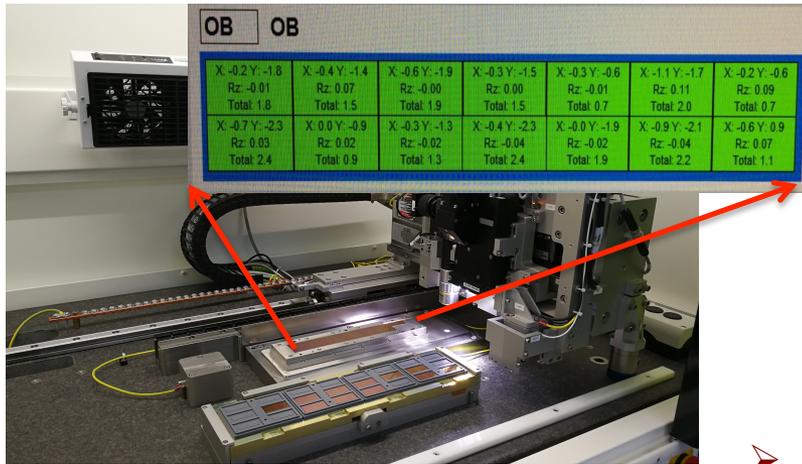
# Construction – Inner Barrel Production and Commissioning

- Staves for 1st Inner Barrel (IB1) completed
- Commissioning ongoing:
  - ✓ Assembly and support structures
  - ✓ Cabling and connection to readout units (RU)
  - ✓ Commissioning of Central Readout Units (CRU) and First Level Processor (FLP)



# Construction – Outer Barrel HIC Modules

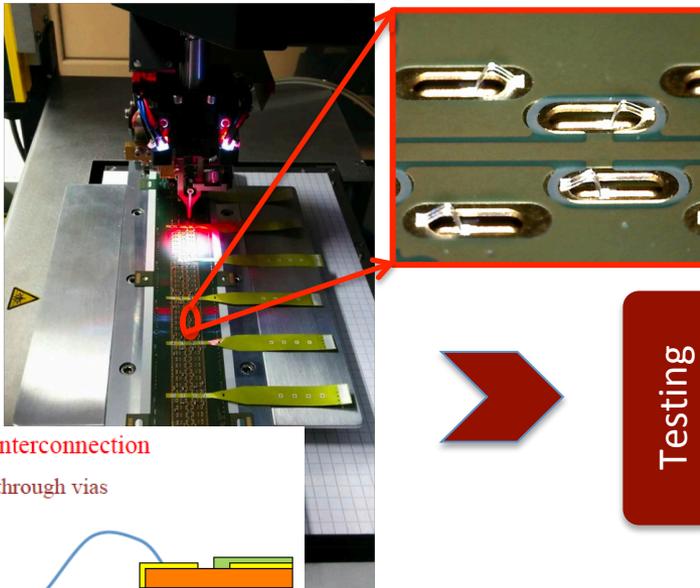
Chip Alignment



➤ OB HIC Production

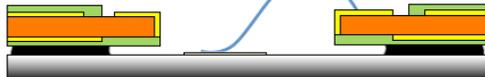
- 1692 HIC modules required
- 5 HIC production sites: Bari, Liverpool, Strasbourg, Wuhan, Pusan
- Target rate: 2 HICs per day per site

Wire Bonding

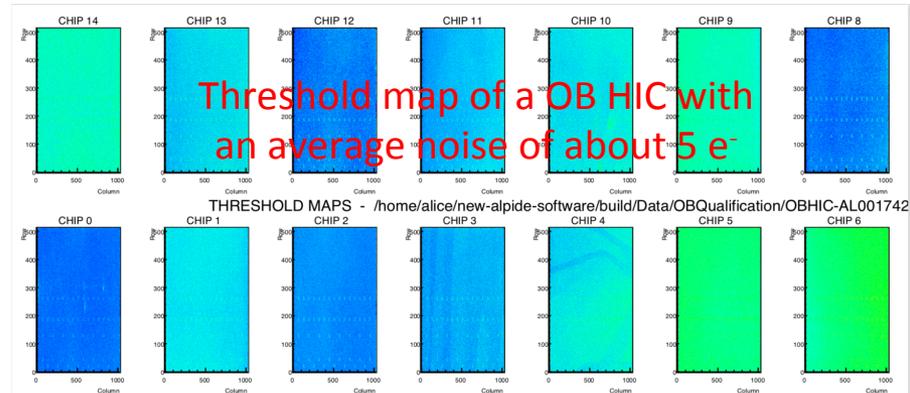


FPC-to-ALPIDE interconnection

Wire-bonding through vias  
25  $\mu$ m Al wire

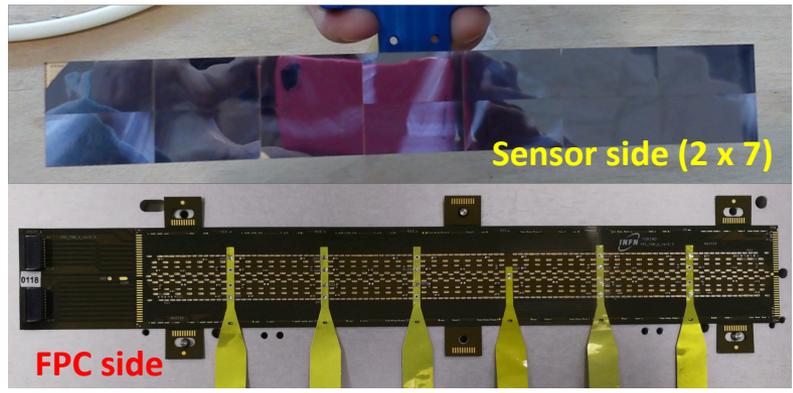


Testing



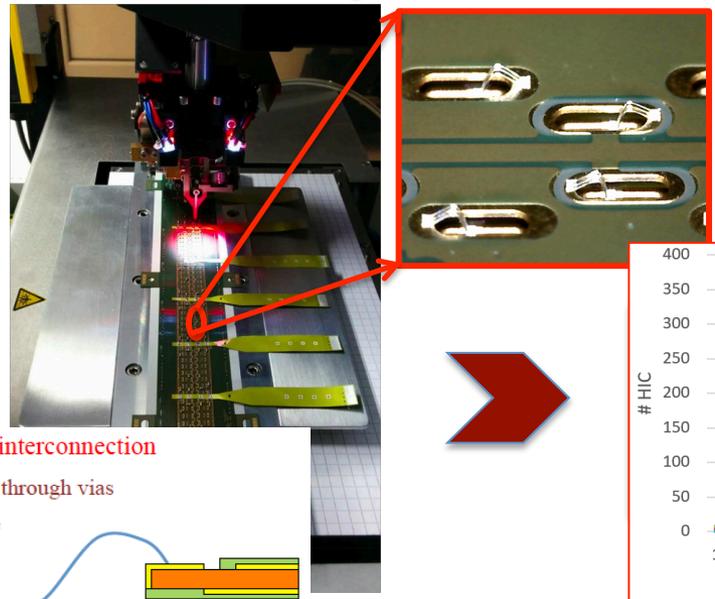
# Construction – Outer Barrel HIC Modules

Chip Alignment



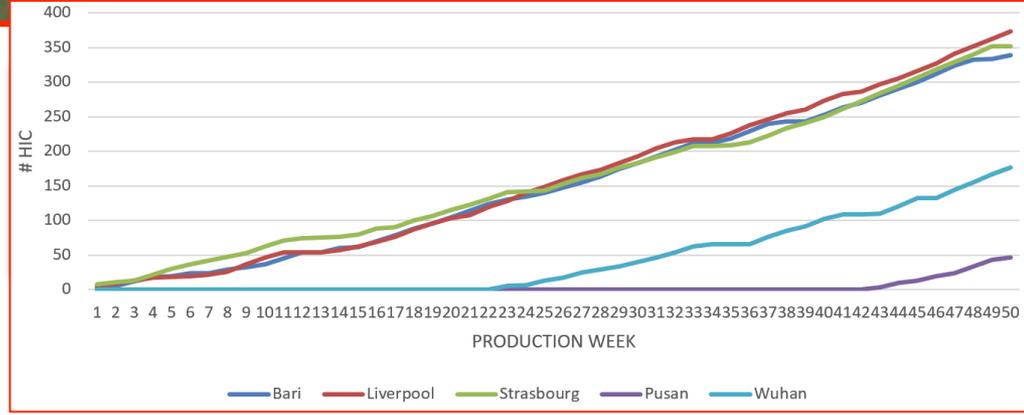
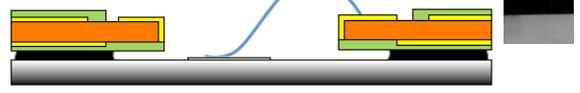
- OB HIC Production
  - 1692 HIC modules required
  - 5 HIC production sites: Bari, Liverpool, Strasbourg, Wuhan, Pusan
  - Target rate: 2 HICs per day per site
  - So far, about 1300 HICs produced with a yield about 85% (Target 2580 HICs)
  - Production end Feb – Mar 2019

Wire Bonding

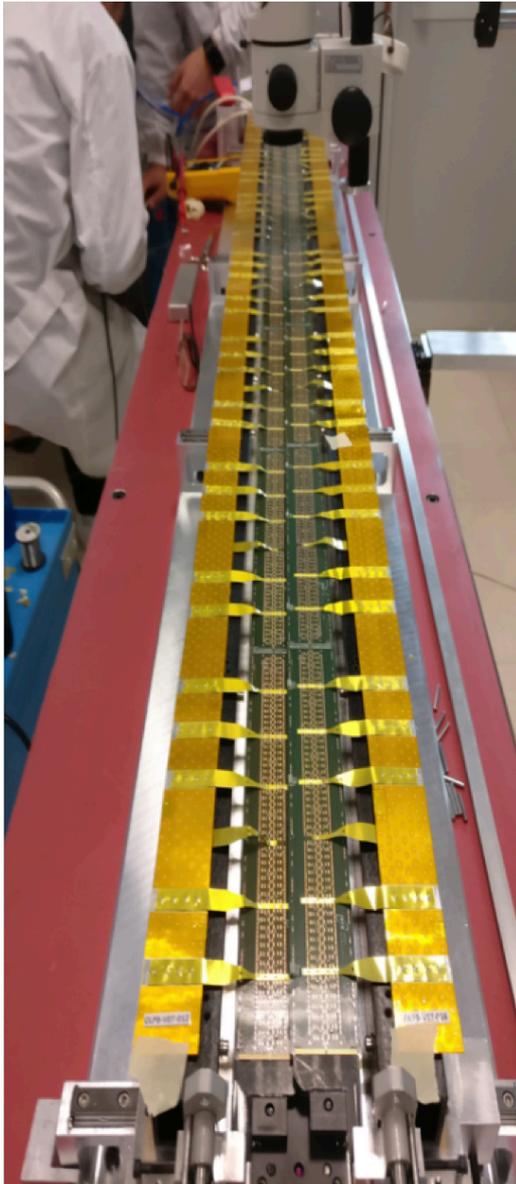


FPC-to-ALPIDE interconnection

Wire-bonding through vias  
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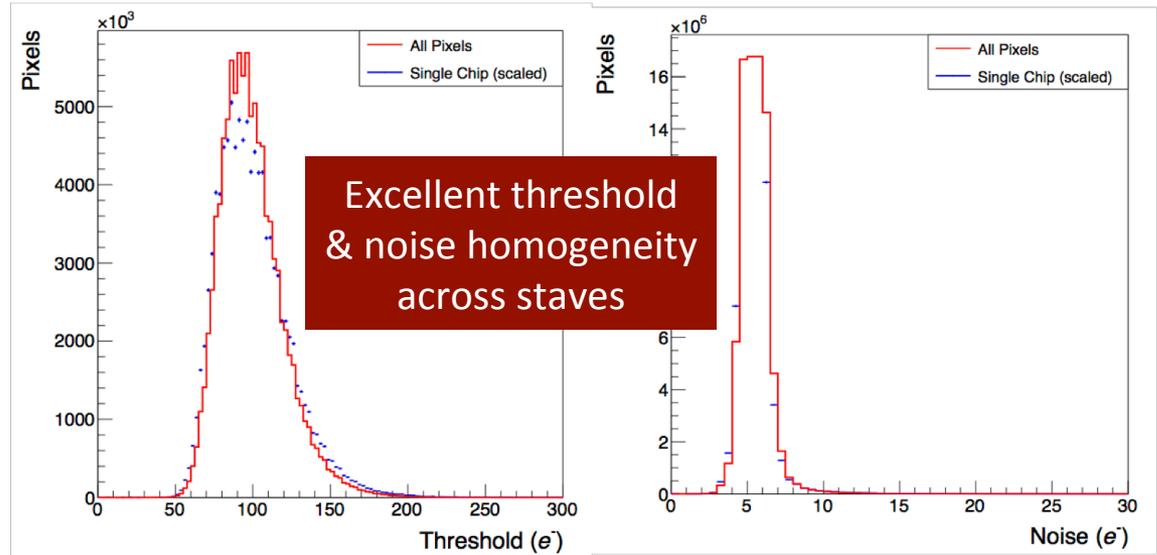


# Construction – Outer Barrel Staves



## ➤ Required amount of staves:

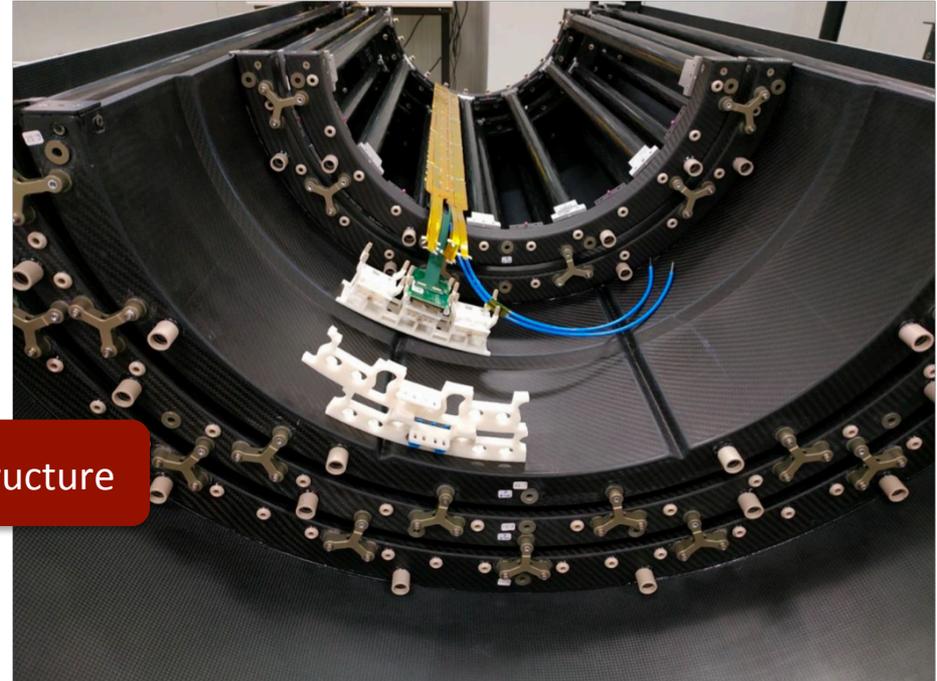
- 54 Middle Layer (ML) staves, 112 chips in 2x4 modules, 59M pixel, 84cm long
- 90 Outer Layer (OL) staves, 196 chips in 2x7 modules, 103M pixel, 147 cm long
- ~ 10% spares, production end in August 2019
- 5 stave production sites: [Berkeley](#), [Daresbury](#), [Frascati](#), [Nikhef](#), [Torino](#)



# Construction – Mechanical Support Structures



Half Barrel Structure



IB Service Barrel



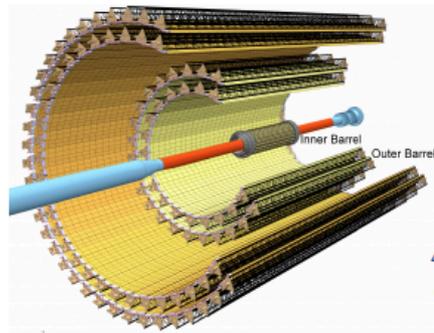
OB Detector Barrel

Cage

- Mechanical support structure completed
- Infrastructure for stave reception and assembly ready
- Stave reception tests at CERN started
- Installation in the cavern at May 2020

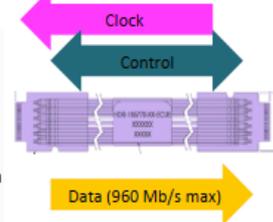
# Construction – Readout Electronics

Detector Readout → 192 READOUT UNIT

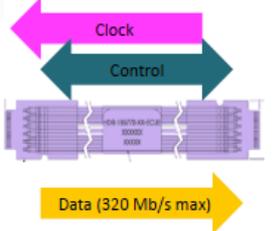


Each Readout Unit is connected to one stave both for Inner and Outer Barrels

Inner layer (0,1,2)  
0.6 (1.2) Gb/s high speed data,  
80 Mb/s clock and control



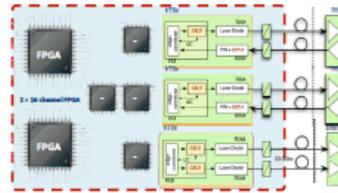
Outer layers (3,4,5,6)  
400 Mb/s high speed data,  
80 Mb/s clock and control



Central Trigger Processor

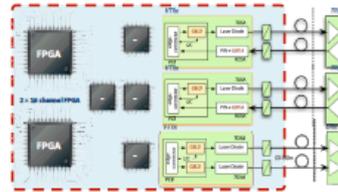
GBT optical Trigger

One way, passive optical splitting, no busy back



× 192

Identical Readout Units (RU) cover the full ITS



Main SRAM FPGA (Xilinx Kintex Ultrascale)

Secondary FPGA (Microsemi Proasic3)

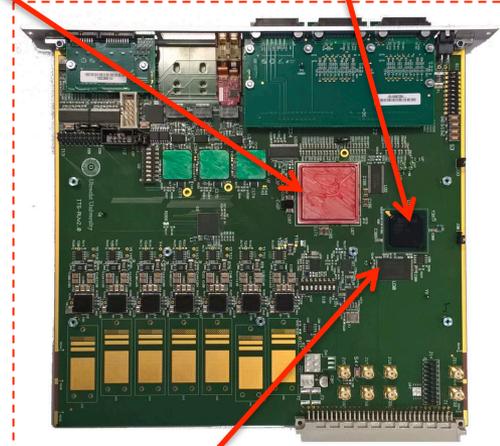
GBT optical Control

Data (9.6 Gb/s max)

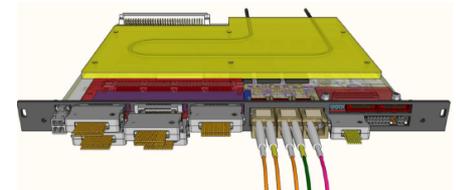
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Common Readout Unit & O2

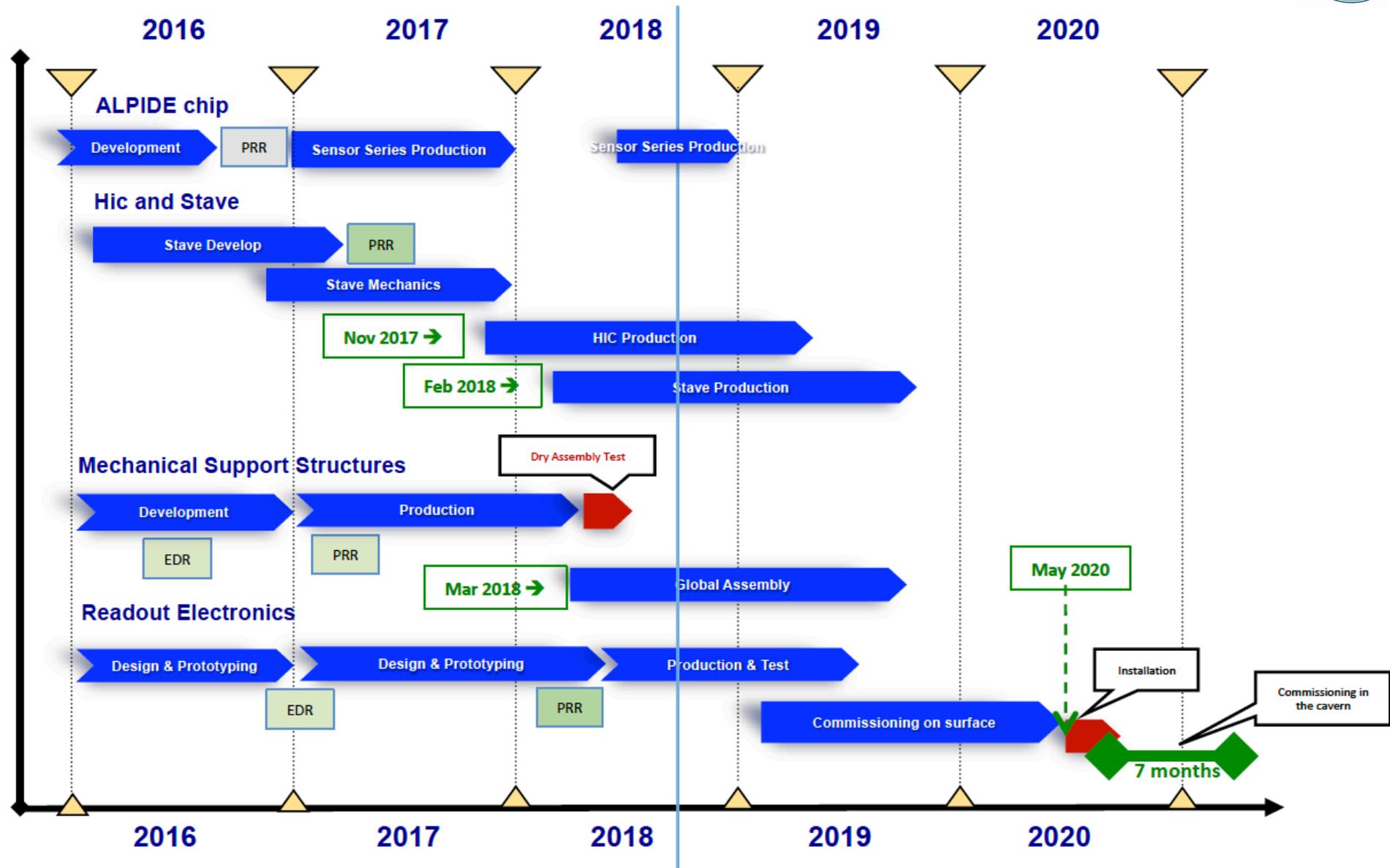


FLASH memory (Samsung)



- ITS Frontend Electronics is subdivided into 192 Readout Unit (RU) modules, each connected to and control a stave and optically interfaced to the Common Readout Unit (CRU) and to the Central Trigger Processor (CTP)
- RU distributes trigger and control signals, interface data links to ALICE DAQ, control power supply of chips
- Expected radiation levels at RU position: 10 krad TID,  $1.7 \times 10^{11}$  NIEL,  $1 \text{ kHz/cm}^2$  high energy hadron (HEH) flux ( $> 20 \text{ MeV}$ )
- Mass production and testing ongoing (started in Sept 2018, will complete in April 2019)

# Construction – Schedule



# Summary and Outlook

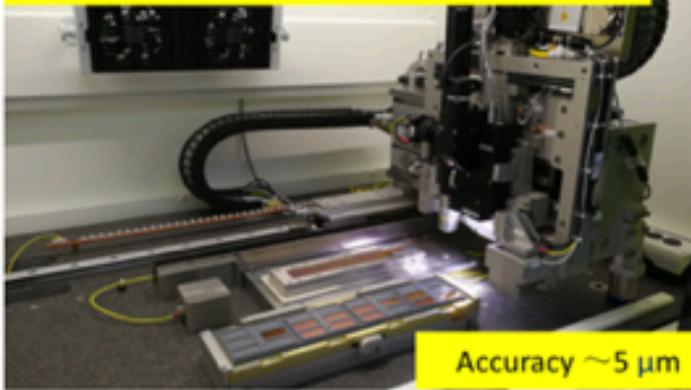
- A new faster, less material budget, better spatial resolution and radiation hard Inner Tracking System (ITS) has been constructing for the ALICE upgrade in Run 3 and Run 4.
- The ALPIDE MAPS sensor produced at TowerJazz using 180nm CIS technology have been selected for the ALICE ITS upgrade.
  - ✓ Excellent performance in terms of detection efficiency, fake-hit rate and spatial resolution before/after irradiation over a wide range of operational setting
  - ✓ Mass production and testing are close to be completed
- Mass production of HIC modules and staves have been started in full swing, and will be completed in March 2019
- Readout Unit production started recently and complete in April 2019
- Infrastructure for layer assembly, testing and commissioning under preparation

## Thanks for your attention!

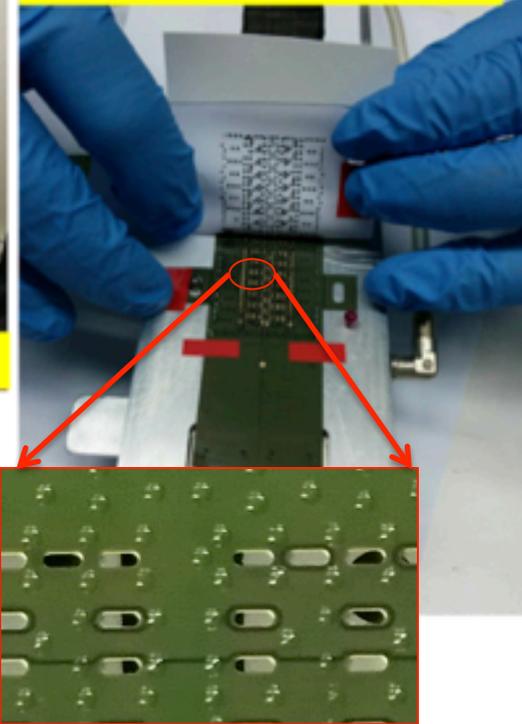
# Spare Slides

## HIC Assembly Procedure

1. Chip Alignment with MAM



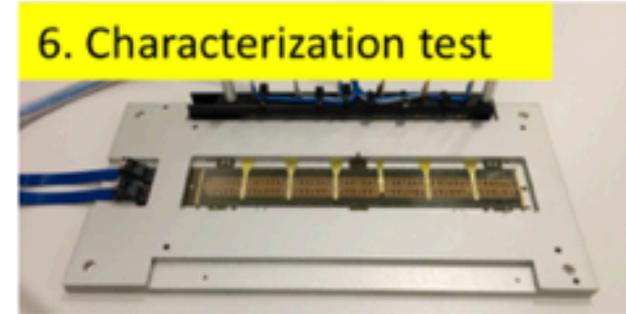
2. Glue spread on FPC



3. FPC-to-chips gluing



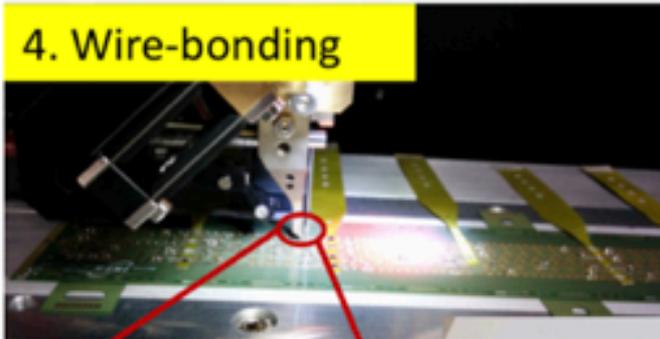
6. Characterization test



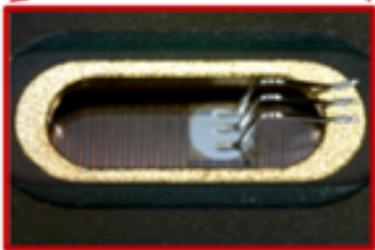
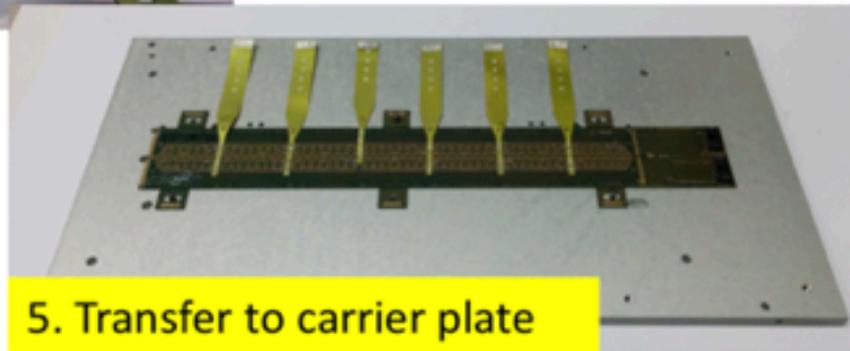
7. Endurance test



4. Wire-bonding



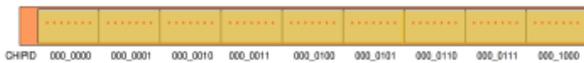
5. Transfer to carrier plate



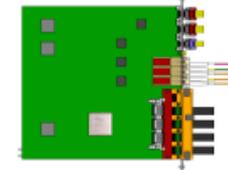
## New ITS Readout Chain

### Inner Layers

9 data lines, 1 clock, 1 control

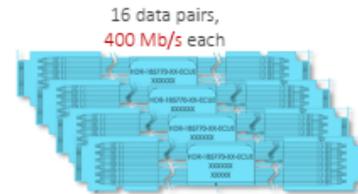
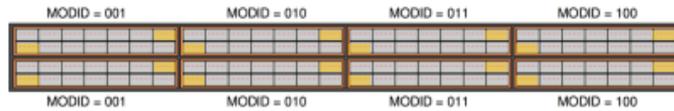


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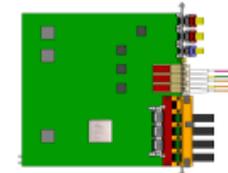


### Middle Layers

(4+4+4+4) data, (1+1+1+1) clock, (1+1+1+1) control



### Readout Unit



GBT optical

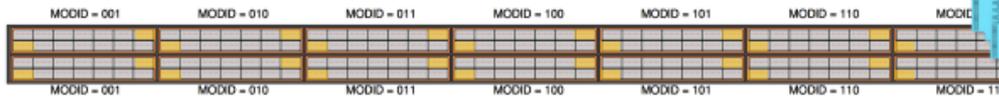
Control

Data (9.6 Gb/s max)

CRU & O2

### Outer Layers

(7+7+7+7) data, (1+1+1+1) clock, (1+1+1+1) control



28 data pairs,  
400 Mb/s each



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