



Particle therapy instrumentation





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Research aims / themes

- Accelerator QA - make it faster and more reliable
- High dose rates in small areas (spot scanning)
- Imaging and treatment planning / monitoring
- Secondary (unintended whole body) doses



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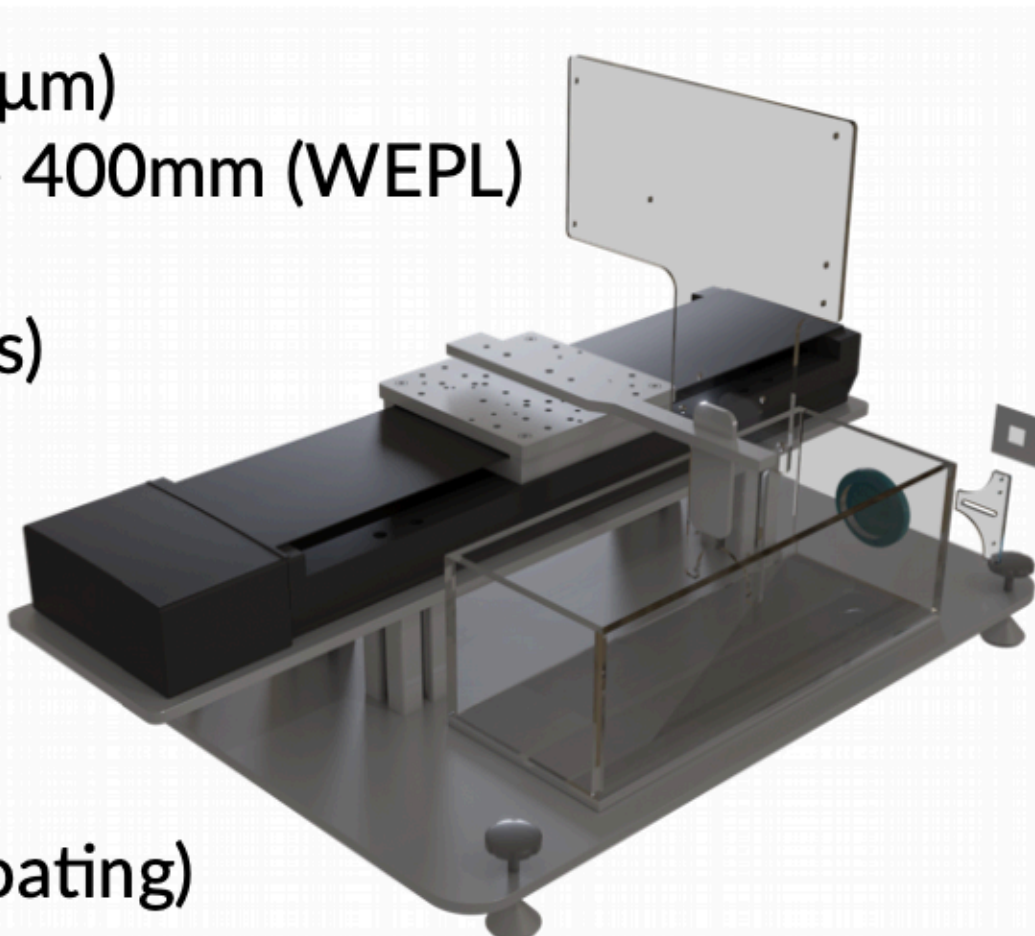




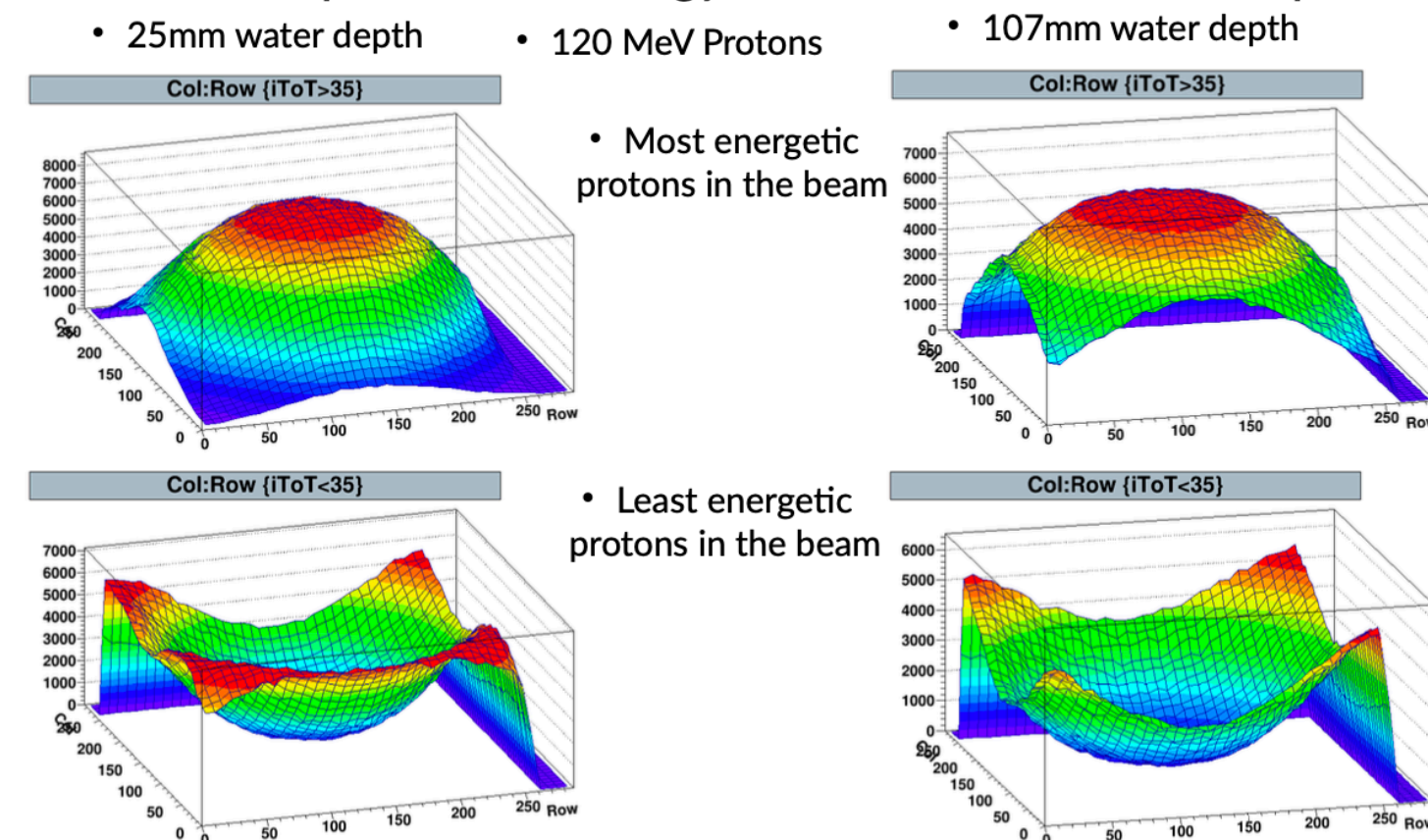
Pixelated water phantom for particle therapy

Phantom

- Compact water tank design
- Highly accurate detector positioning (better than 50µm)
- High resolution 3D dose-depth measurements up to 400mm (WEPL)
- Silicon Pixel Detectors (from CERN LHC experiments)
 - FeI4 chip (hybrid technology)
 - Timepix3 (hybrid technology)
- Unique 2D dose-deposition
- high resolution beam profile QA
- Measurements directly under water (Parylene coating)
- potential for 3D patient treatment QA

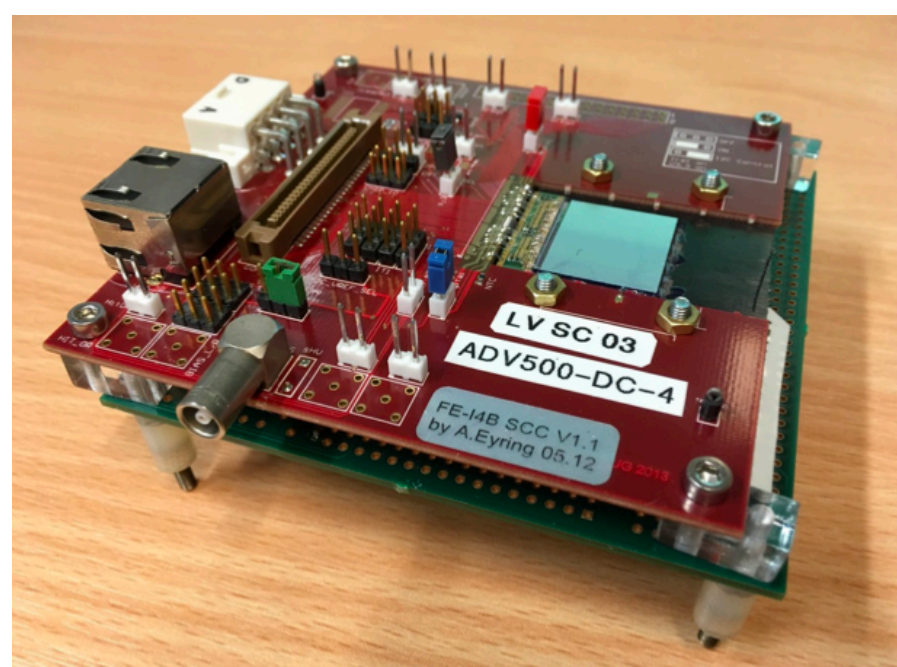


ProteusOne beam profile and Energy measurements with Timepix3 chip

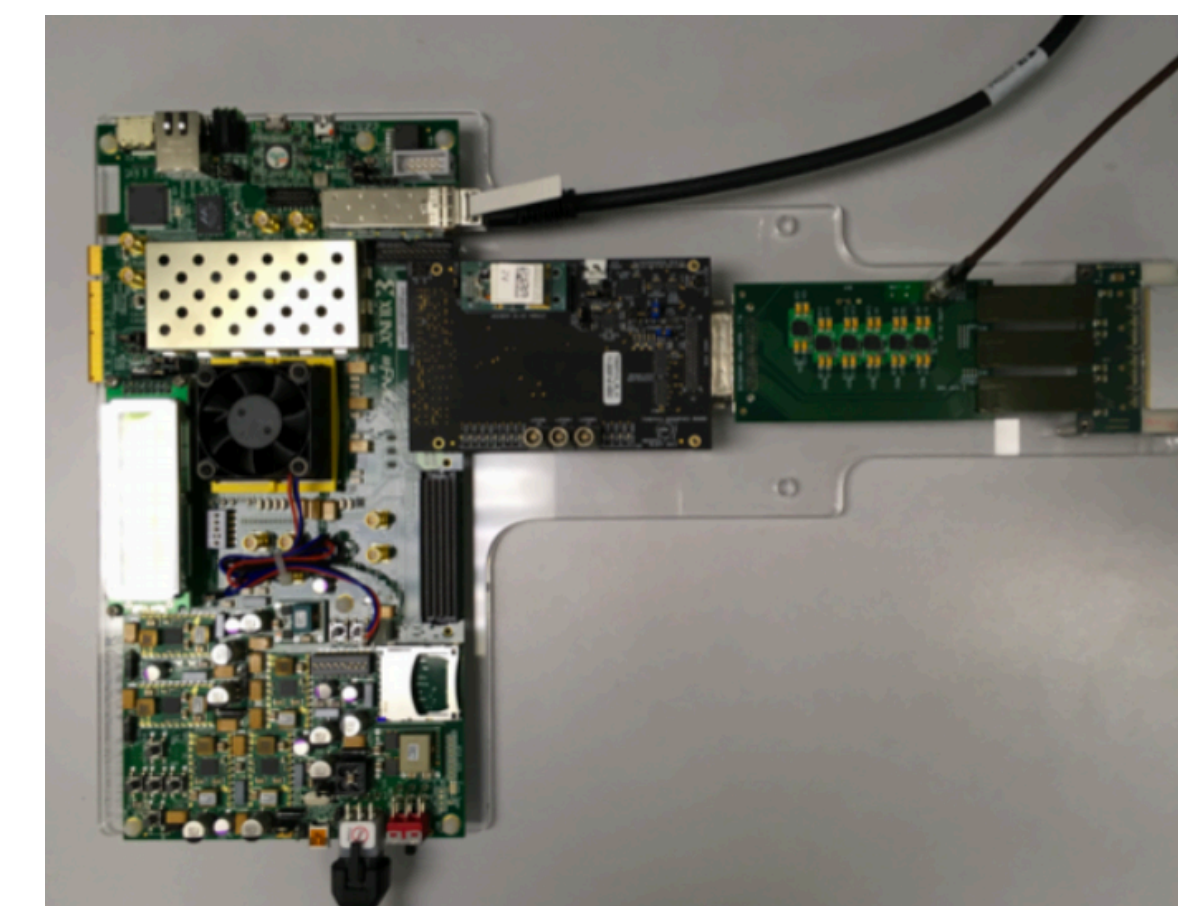
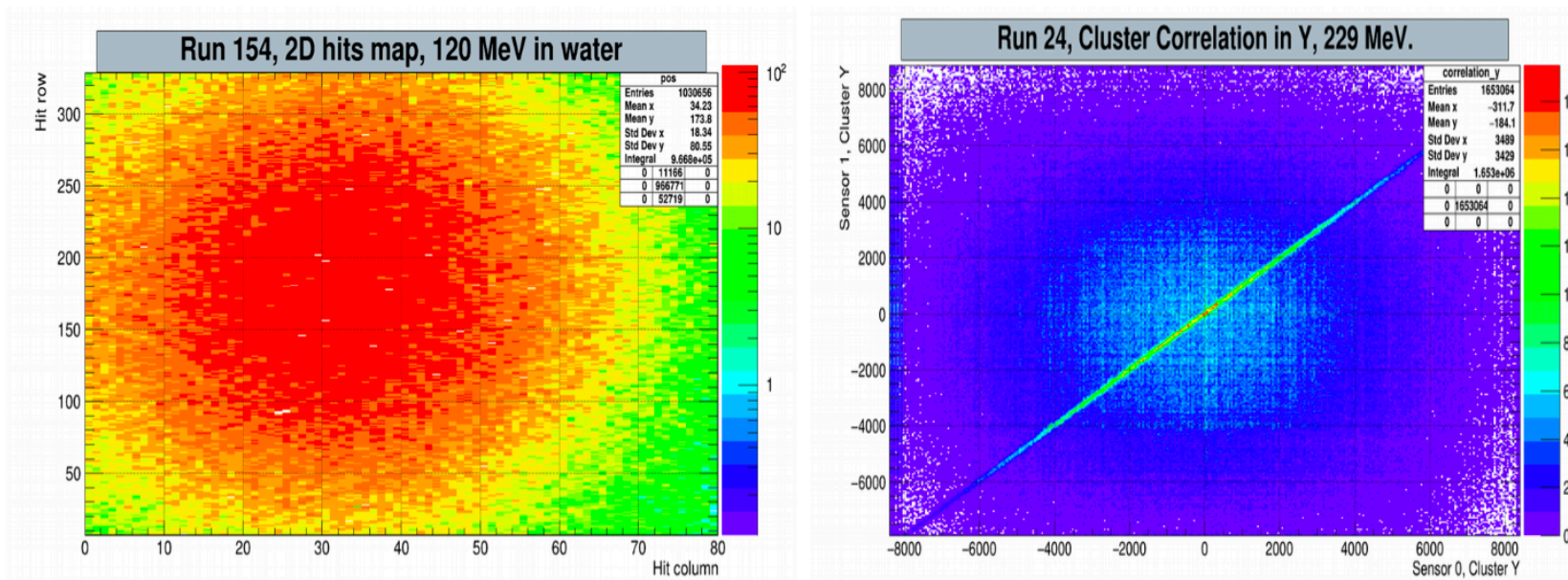


ProteusOne beam profile and tracking measurements with FEI4 chip

- 2D hit map in water
- Proton tracking correlations between two FEI4 detectors



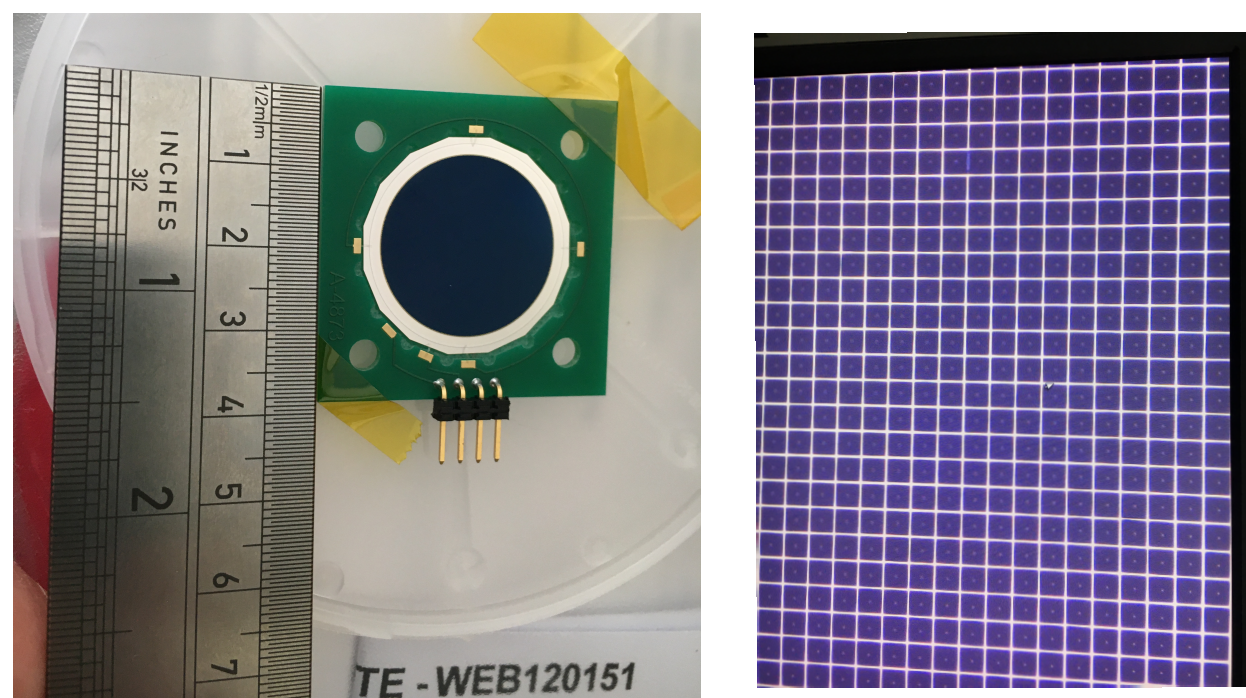
FE-I4



Timepix3

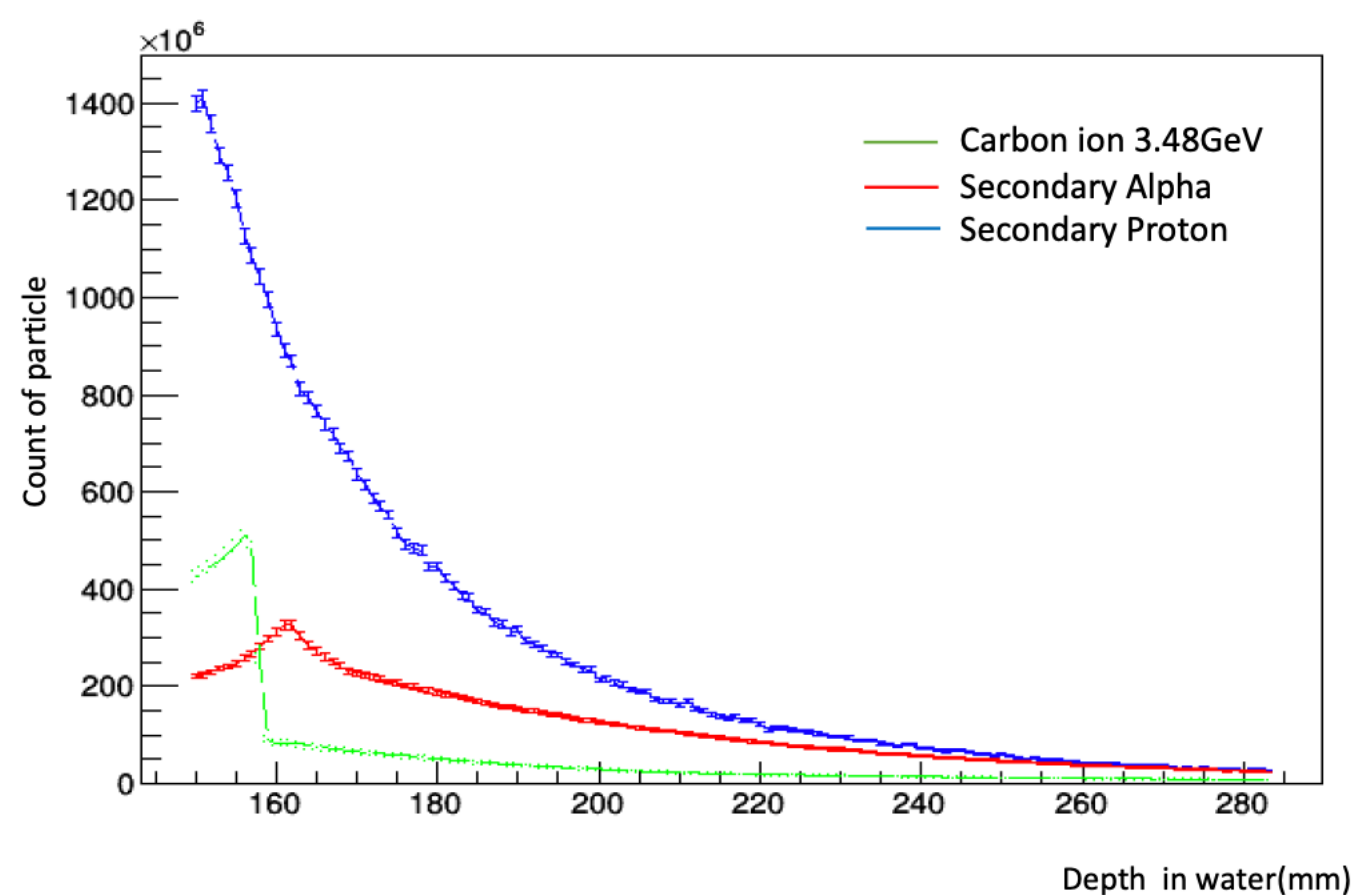


New detector technology from Micron with 10um trenches in surface



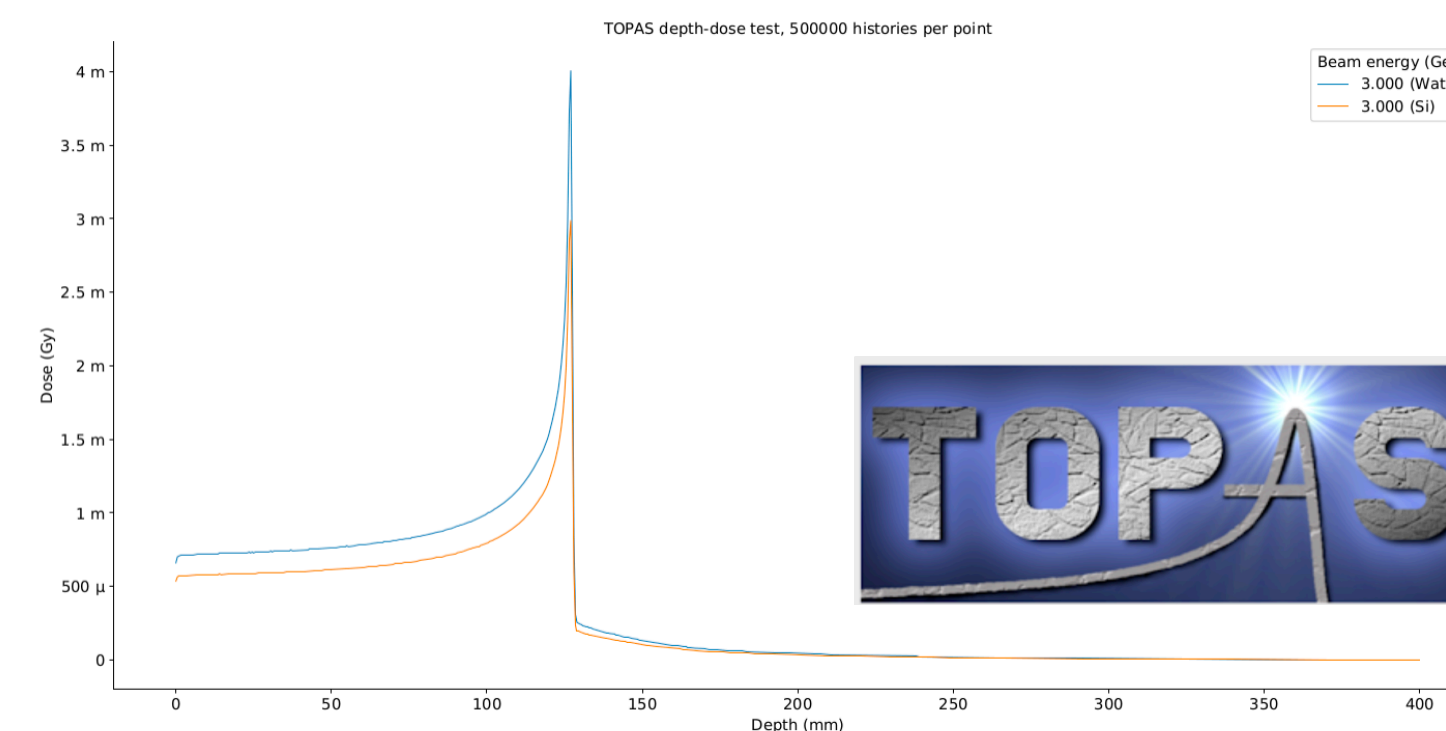
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Simulation of interaction vertex imaging with carbon ion fragmentation

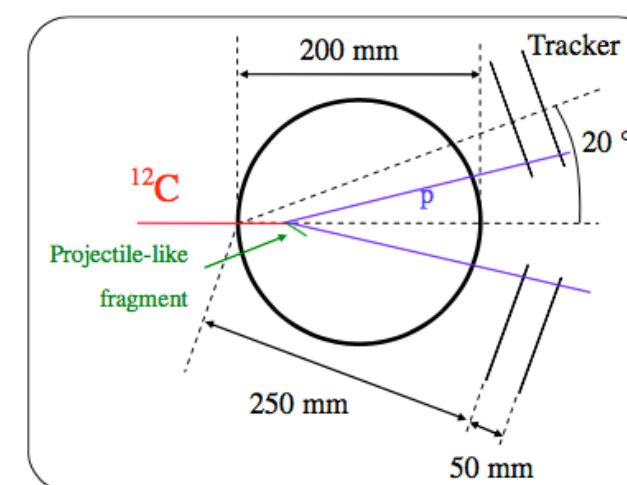


see talk by Shaikah Moslat

Commissioning of new monte carlo software for carbon and proton beams



see talk by Fajer Alqahtani

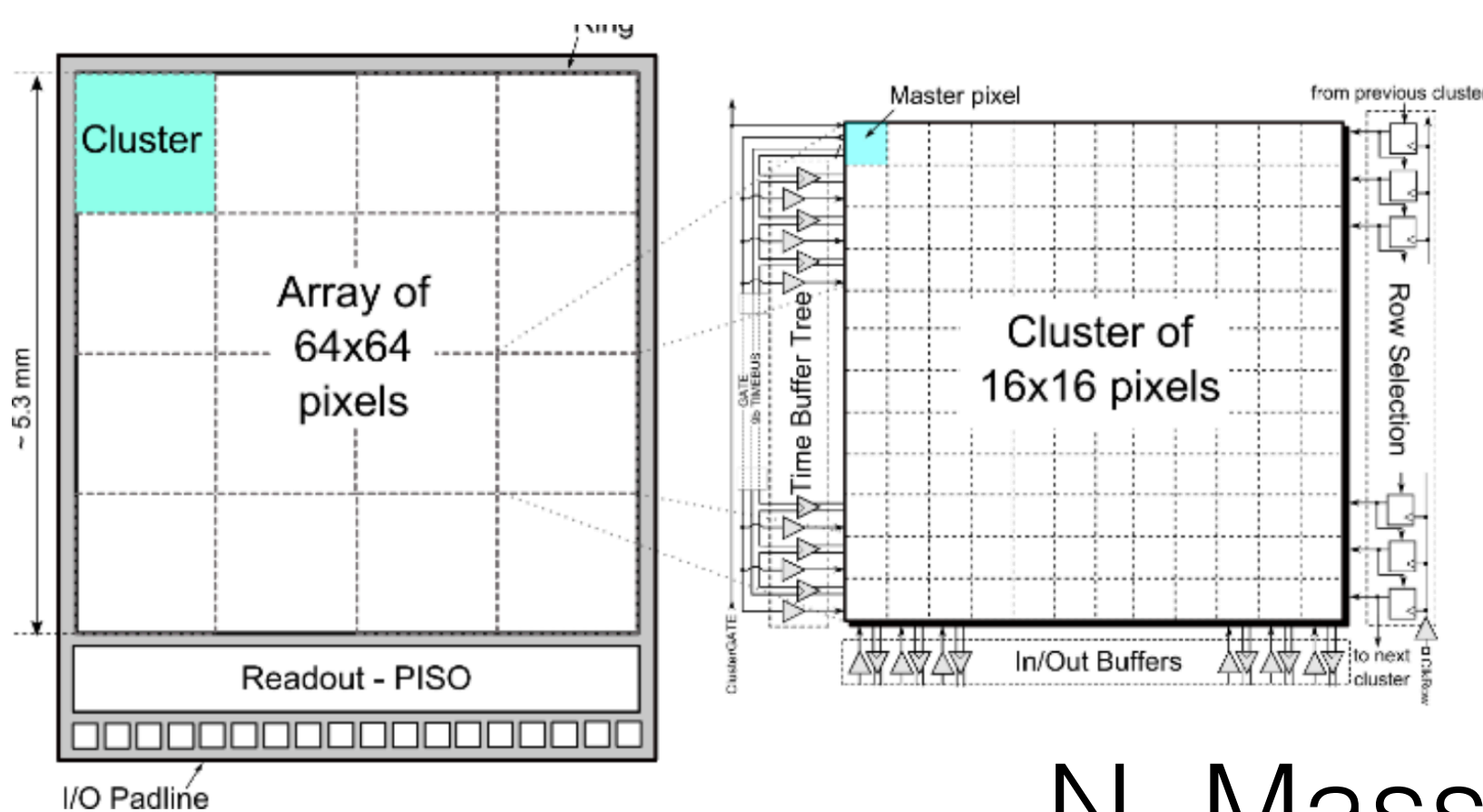
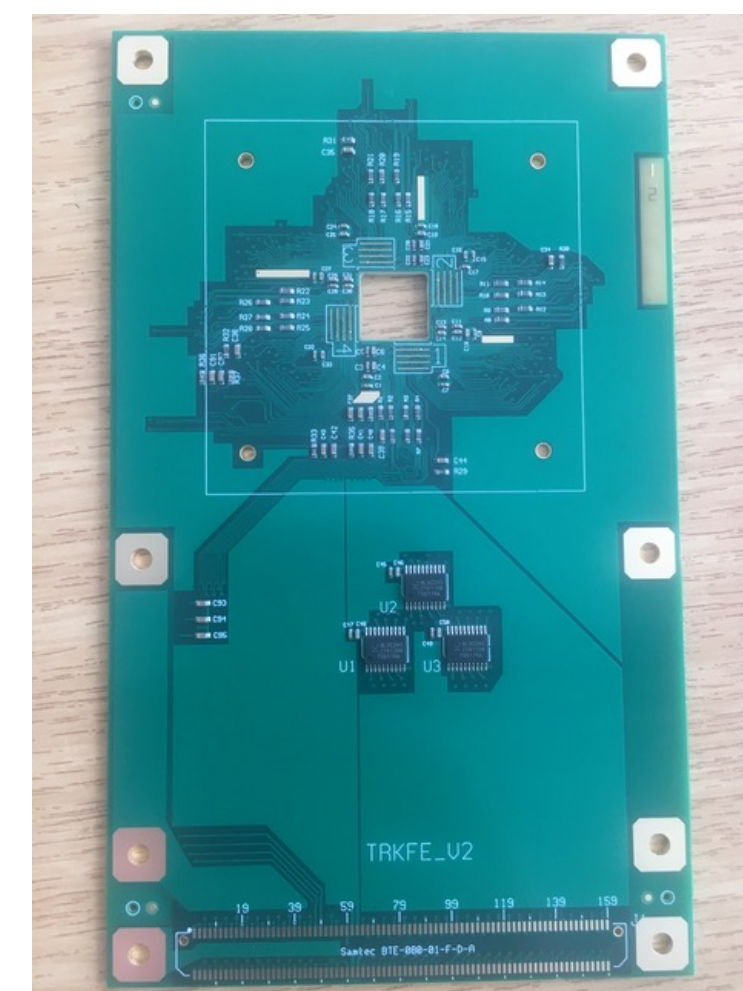
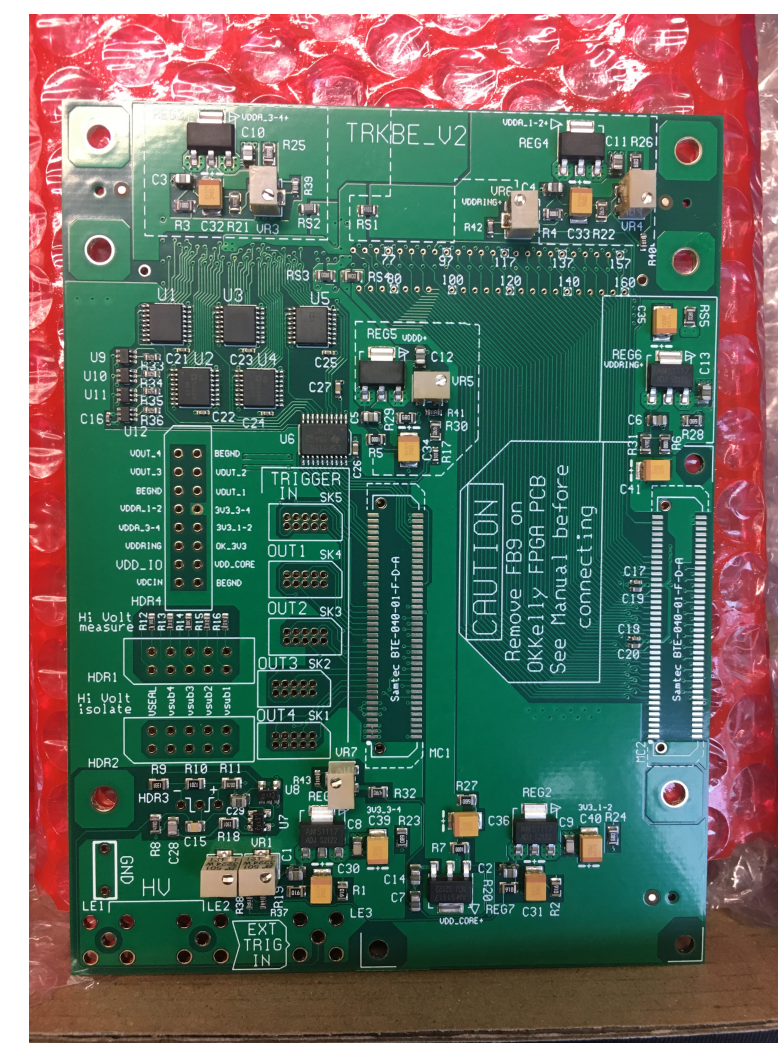


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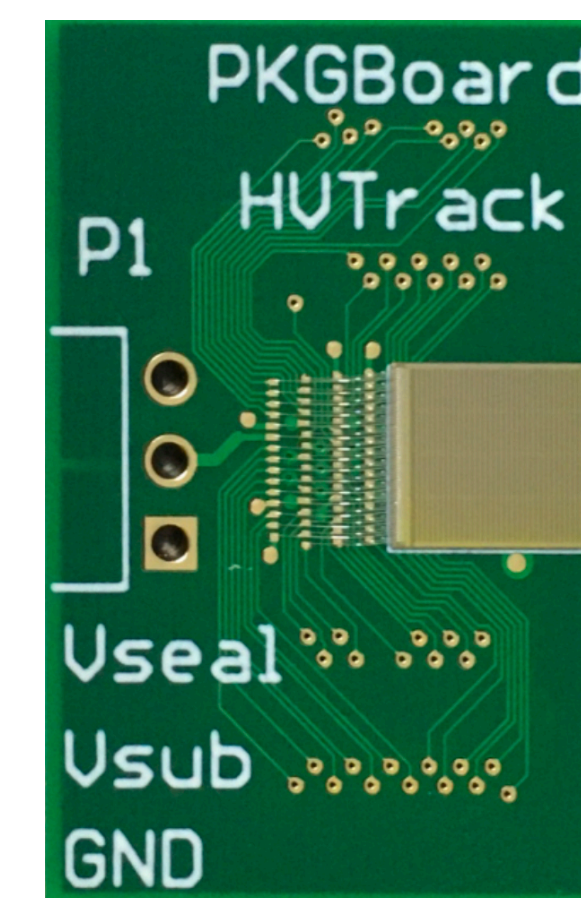
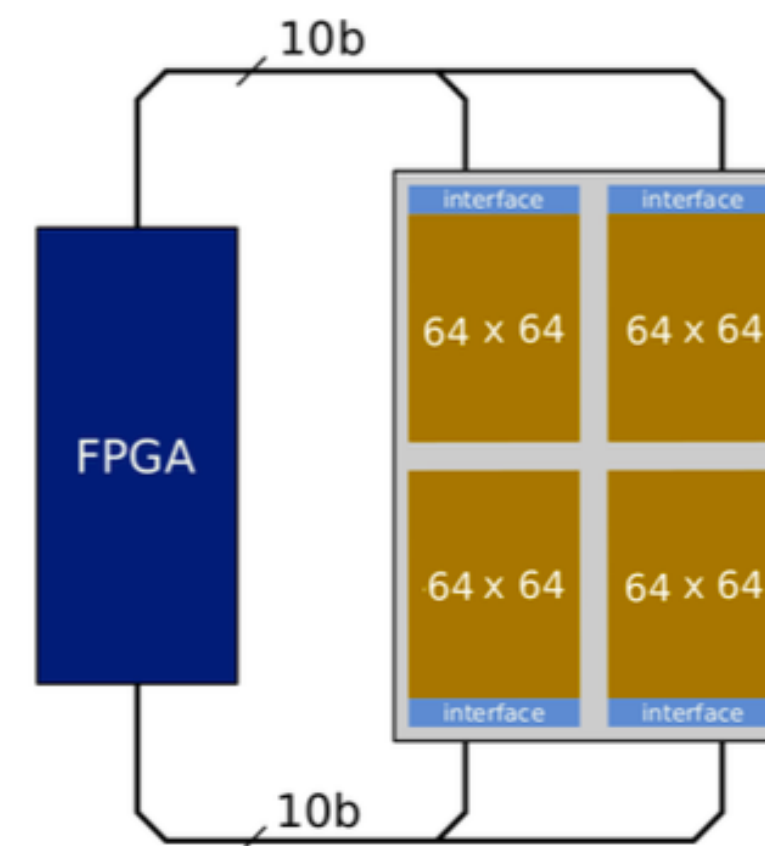


HVTrack - a new HV-CMOS detector for particle therapy

- HVTrack is new HV-CMOS pixel detector optimised for IBA ProteusOne accelerator
- MPW in 0.13um produced by LFoundry and initial testing took place at FBK
- Area of 1.06cm x1.06cm and a pixel pitch of 80µm x 80µm (>15k pixels/cm²)
- Three modes of operation (proton counting, energy (dose), time (tracking))
- Front end and back end PCBs designed at Liverpool by Tony Smith and manufactured and loaded by JLC have now been received - population with connectors and ASICs ongoing
- Test beams at Rutherford Cancer Centres with IBA Proteus One in late 2022

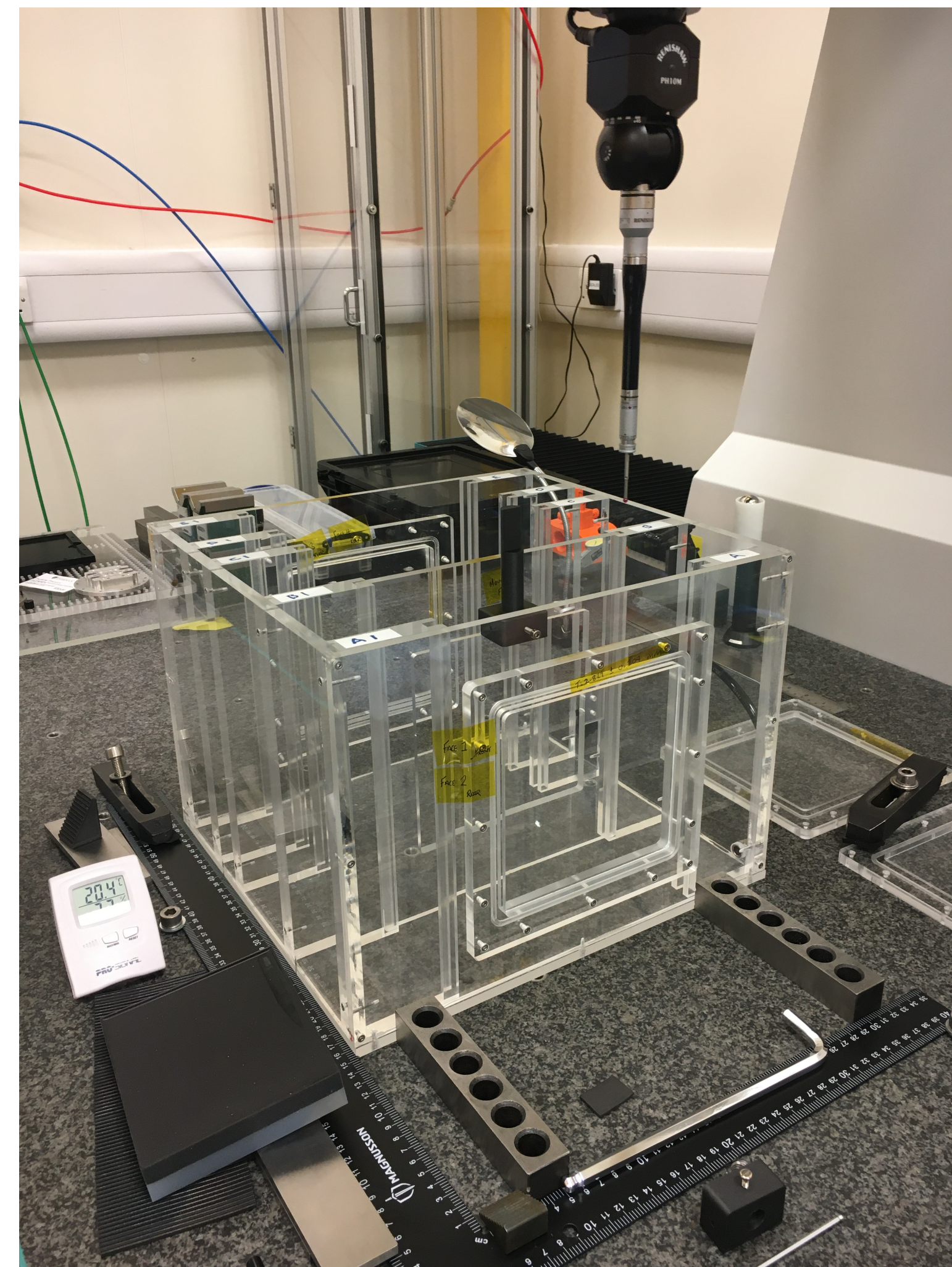
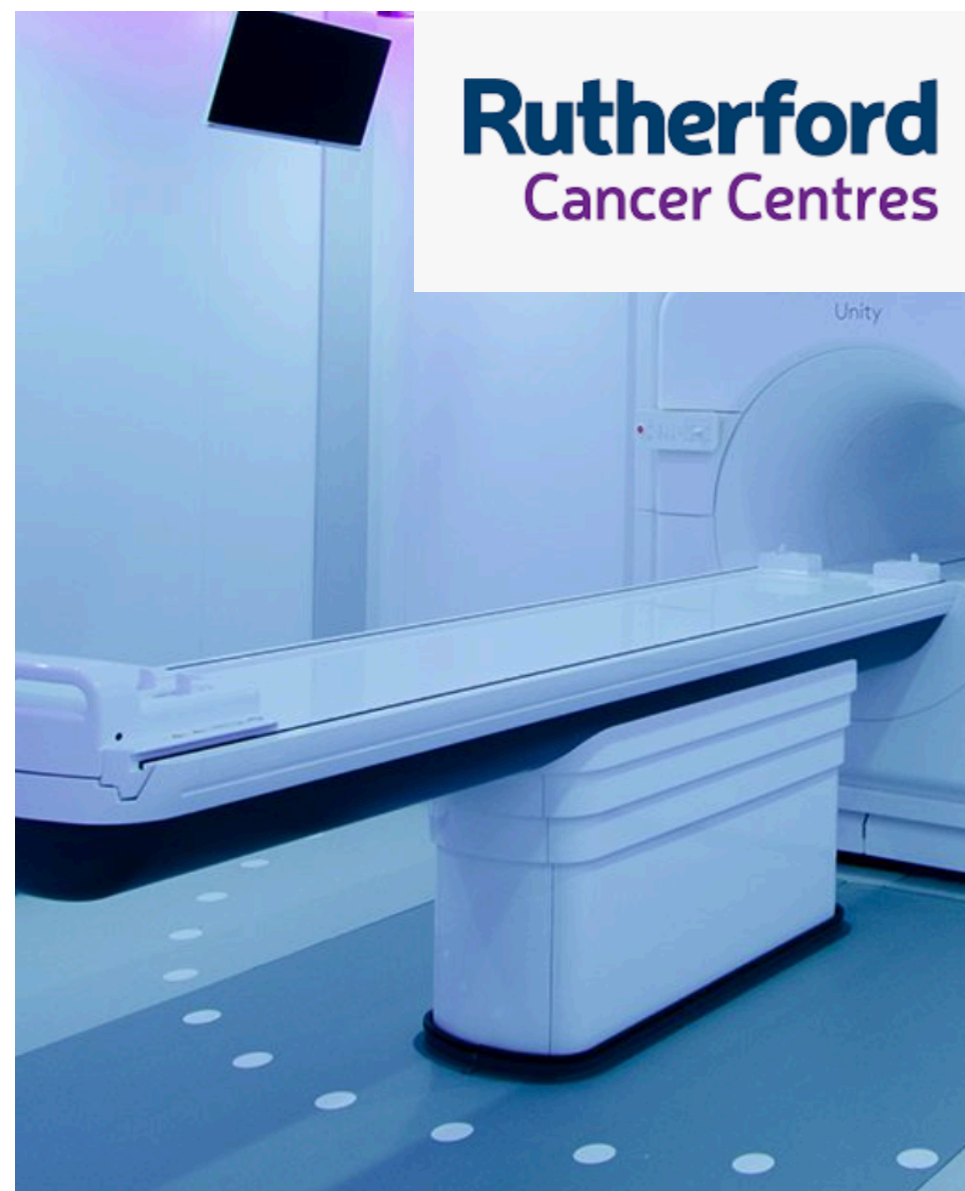
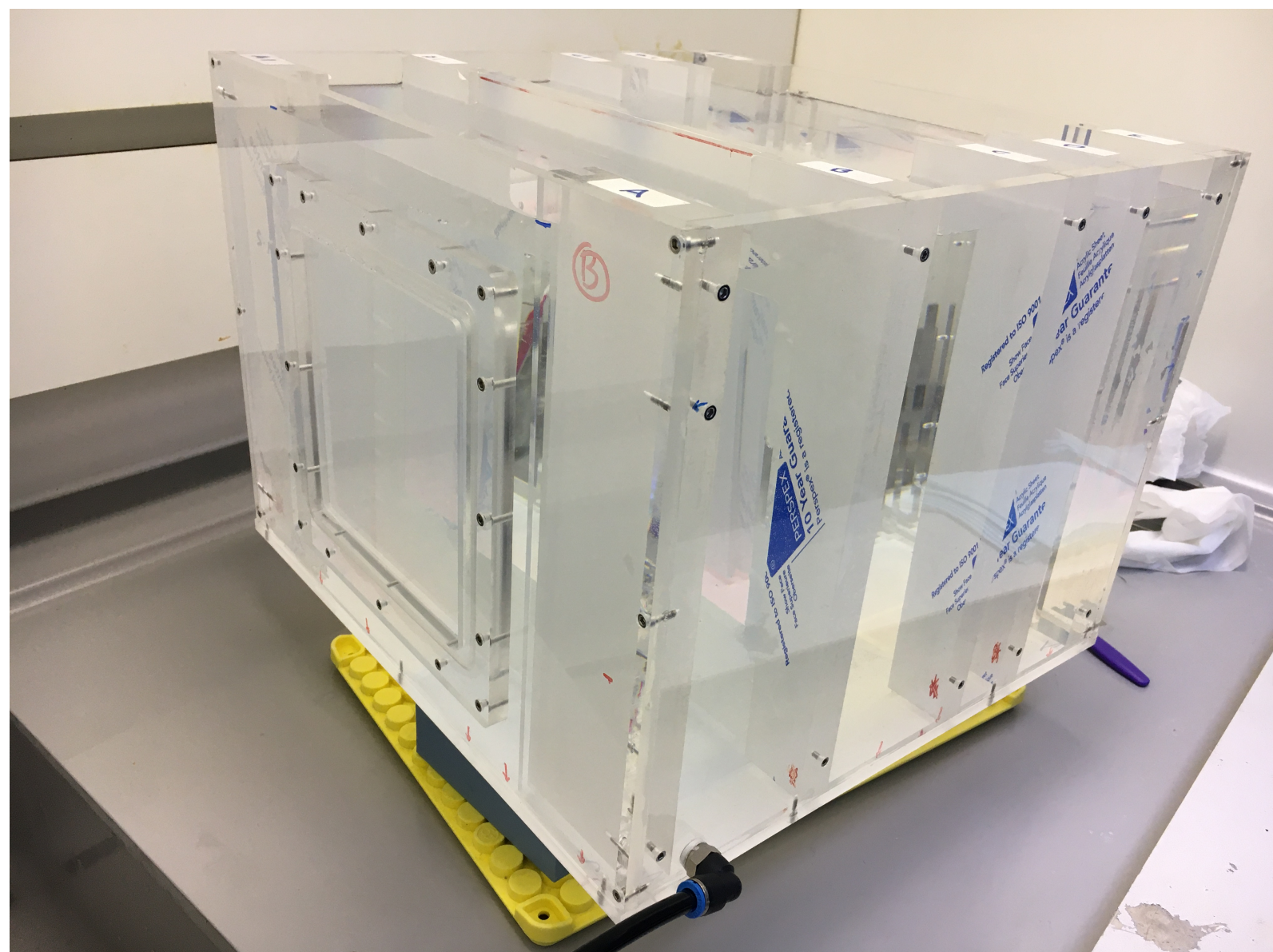


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Water phantoms for MRLinacs



- New water phantoms with precision slots for positioning of QA/QC ionisation chambers in MR Linac at Rutherford Cancer Centre Liverpool
- Parts machined and assembled in the workshop, measured in the LSDC using the CMM
- Can be instrumented with additional detectors e.g. silicon diodes to cross calibrate dose

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Ion Beam Applications

- Largest manufacturer of proton therapy accelerators in the world
- Supplier of all superconducting proteus one accelerators for Rutherford Health in the UK
- Carrying out R&D on carbon ion accelerators for future production
- Joint submission with IBA and Rutherford to Wellcome Trust for detector development (unsuccessful) meeting with IBA later this month to establish possible new funding paths



IBA's 'particle accelerator factory', Louvain-La-Neuve





- Several years experience adapting detectors from high energy physics for use in clinical proton therapy beams
- Lessons bring learnt with spot scanning accelerators compared with passive scattering
- Development a new HV-CMOS chip with FBK and Rutherford innovations for IBA Proteus One
- New opportunities for instrumenting ion beams such as carbon - secondary vertexing, neutron dosimetry, prompt gammas, ion CT/radiography will probably all become easier
- Pursuit of a stronger partnership with IBA and CNAO allowing use of clinical carbon ion beams

