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**Recent Developments to improve the  
radiation tolerance of semiconductor sensors**

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*... with a main focus on RD50 activities*

# Outline

- **Motivation to develop radiation harder detectors**
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    - 3D sensors and thin devices
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  - Mixed irradiations
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**Some overlap  
with other lectures**

**Basics on Silicon  
Sensors and Detector  
Systems**  
**D.Creanza**

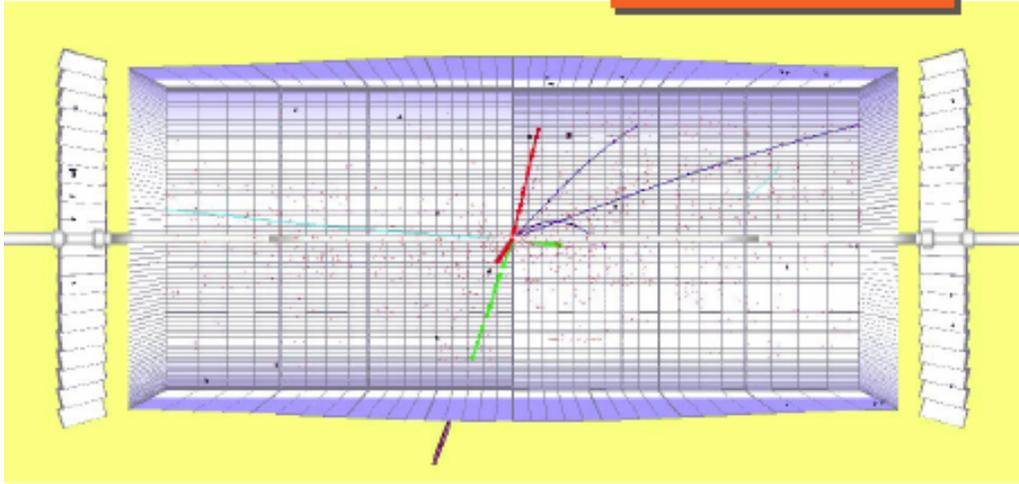
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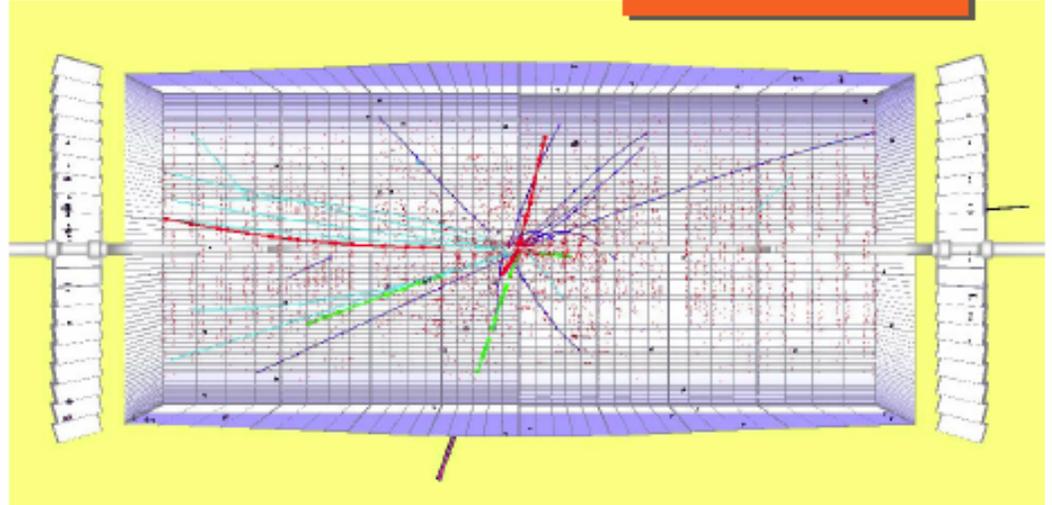
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# The challenge: Super LHC - visually

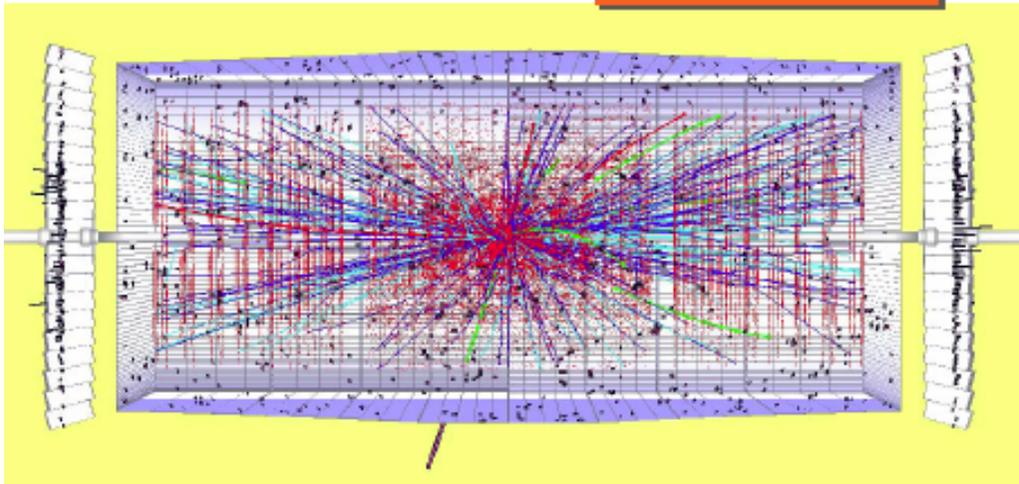
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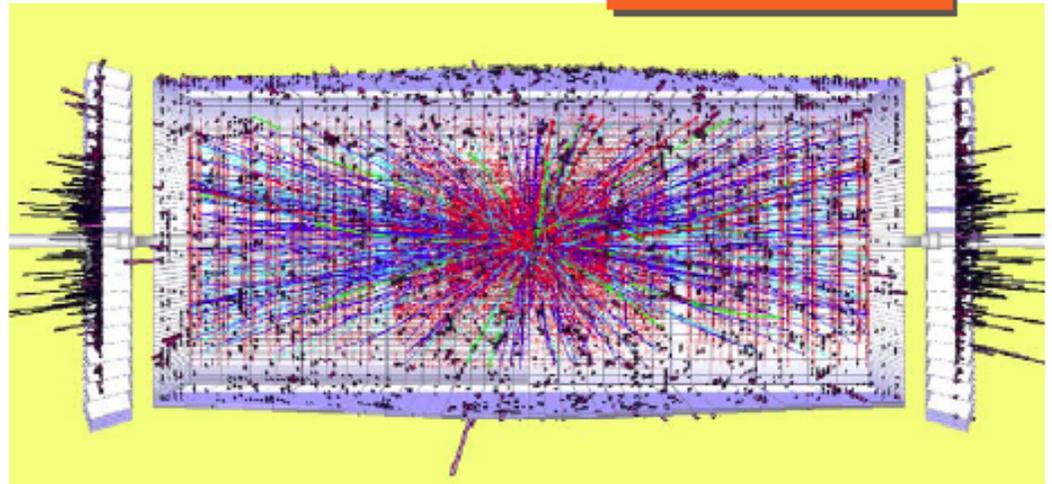
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$10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



**LHC luminosity**

**SLHC luminosity ~300-400 interactions/bx**

# Motivation for R&D on Radiation Tolerant Detectors: Super - LHC

- LHC upgrade**

⇒ **LHC (2009)**  $L = 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

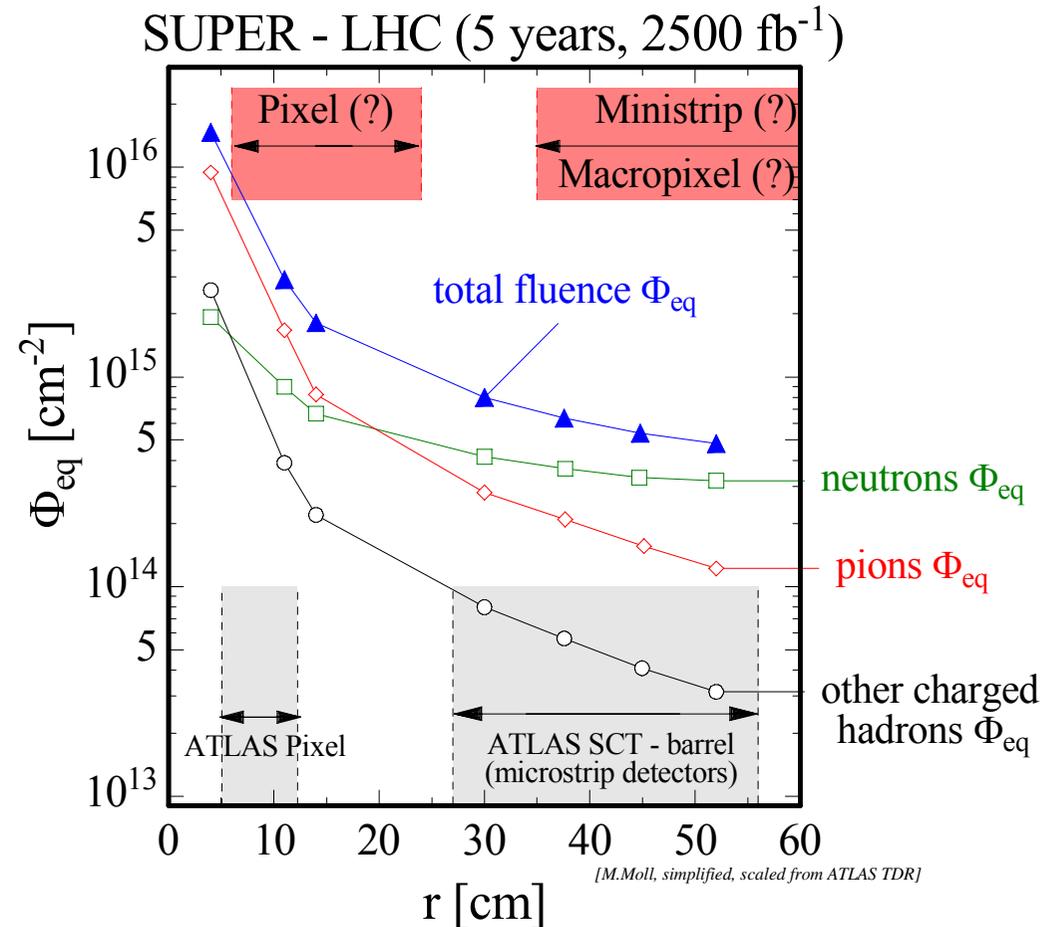
**10 years**  
**500 fb<sup>-1</sup>** →  $\phi(r=4\text{cm}) \sim 3 \cdot 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-2}$  × 5

⇒ **Super-LHC (2018 ?)**  $L = 10^{35} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

**5 years**  
**2500 fb<sup>-1</sup>** →  $\phi(r=4\text{cm}) \sim 1.6 \cdot 10^{16} \text{cm}^{-2}$

- LHC (Replacement of components)**

- e.g. - LHCb Velo detectors
- ATLAS Pixel B-layer



## SLHC compared to LHC:

- Higher radiation levels ⇒ Higher radiation tolerance needed!
- Higher multiplicity ⇒ Higher granularity needed!

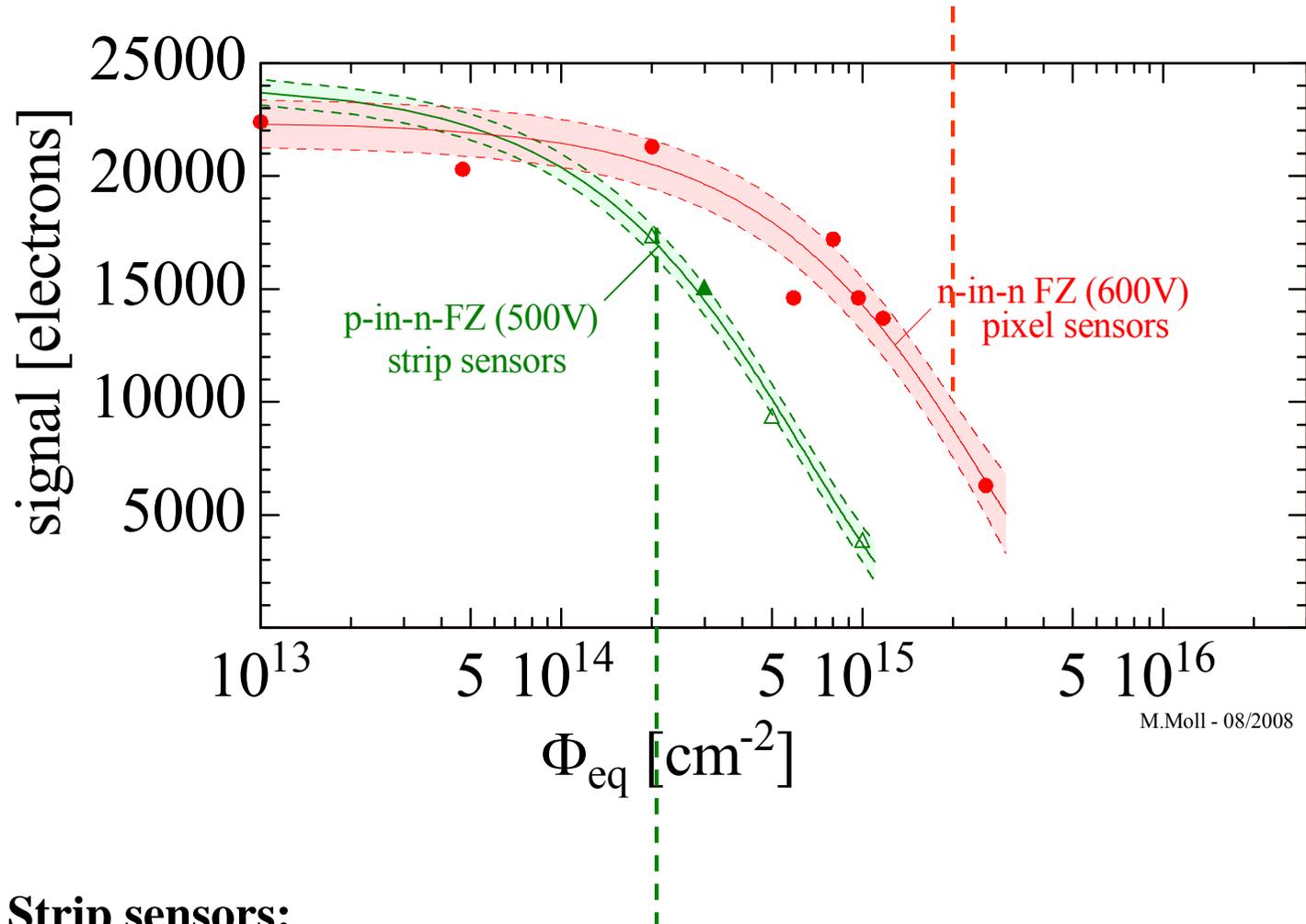
⇒ Need for new detectors & detector technologies

- ↔
- Power Consumption ?
  - Cooling ?
  - Connectivity
  - Low mass ?
  - Costs ?

# Signal degradation for LHC Silicon Sensors

**Pixel sensors:**  
max. cumulated fluence for **LHC**

**Note:** Measured partly under different conditions!  
Lines to guide the eye (no modeling)!



**FZ Silicon Strip and Pixel Sensors**

- n-in-n (FZ), 285μm, 600V, 23 GeV p
- ▲ p-in-n (FZ), 300μm, 500V, 23GeV p
- △ p-in-n (FZ), 300μm, 500V, neutrons

References:  
[1] p/n-FZ, 300μm, (-30°C, 25ns), strip [Casse 2008]  
[2] n/n-FZ, 285μm, (-10°C, 40ns), pixel [Rohe et al. 2005]

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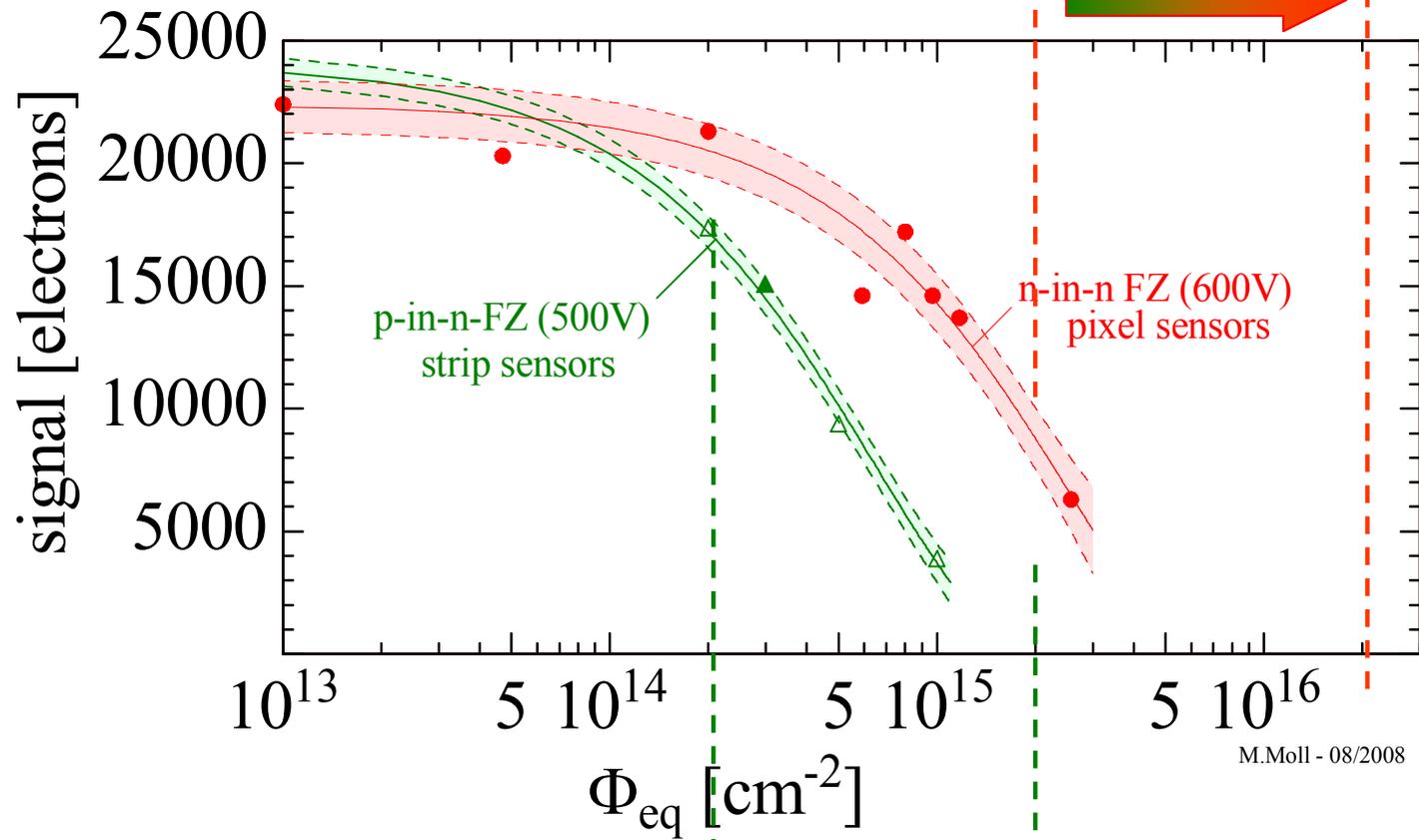
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**SLHC will need more radiation tolerant tracking detector concepts!**

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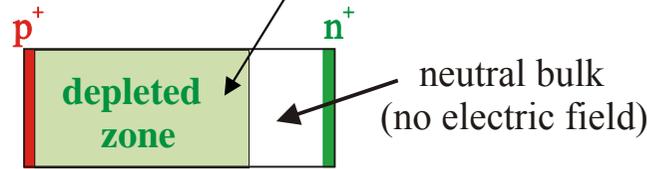
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see [M.Bruzzi](#)**

# Reverse biased abrupt p<sup>+</sup>-n junction

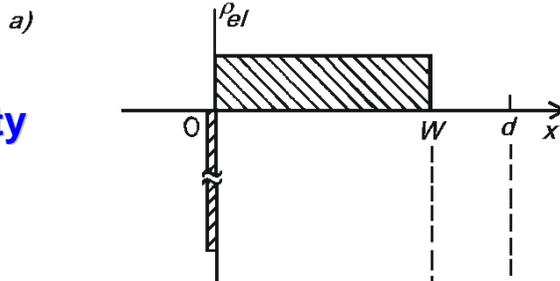
Poisson's equation

$$-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \phi(x) = \frac{q_0}{\epsilon\epsilon_0} \cdot N_{eff}$$

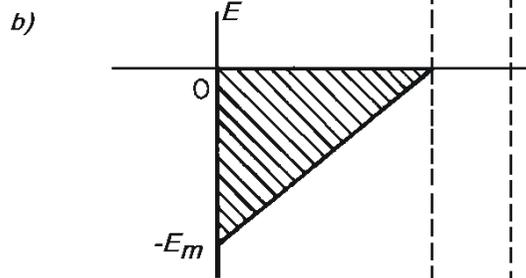
Positive space charge,  $N_{eff} = [P]$   
(ionized Phosphorus atoms)



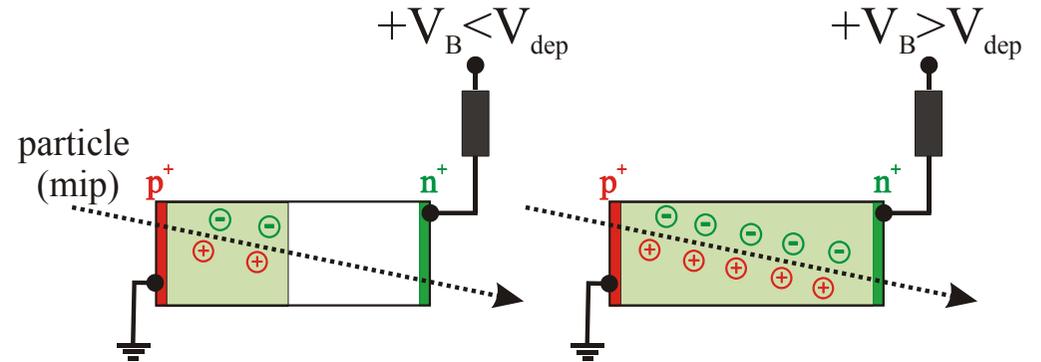
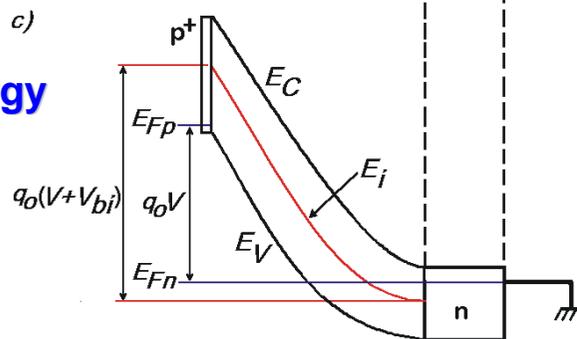
Electrical charge density



Electrical field strength



Electron potential energy



Full charge collection only for  $V_B > V_{dep}$  !

depletion voltage

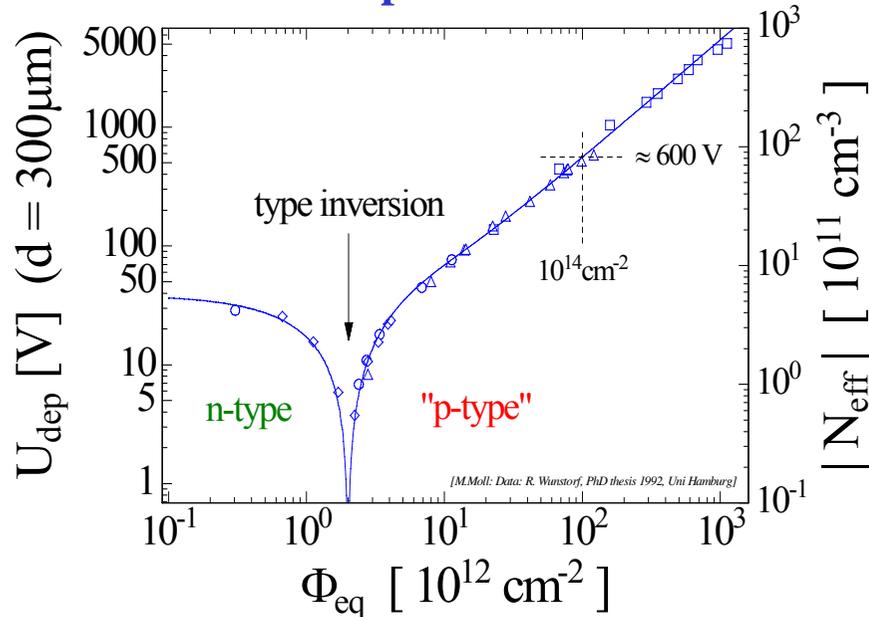
$$V_{dep} = \frac{q_0}{\epsilon\epsilon_0} \cdot |N_{eff}| \cdot d^2$$

effective space charge density

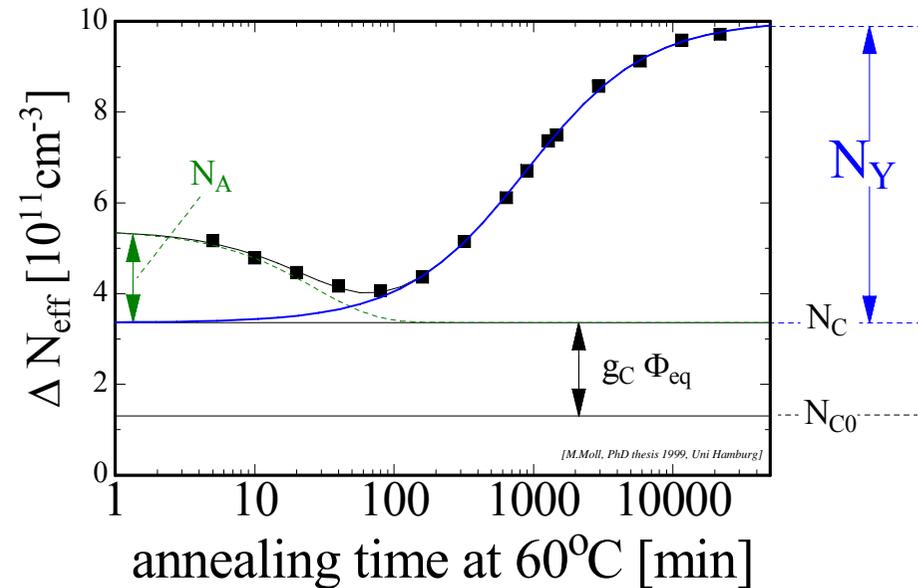
# Macroscopic Effects – I. Depletion Voltage

## Change of Depletion Voltage $V_{\text{dep}}$ ( $N_{\text{eff}}$ )

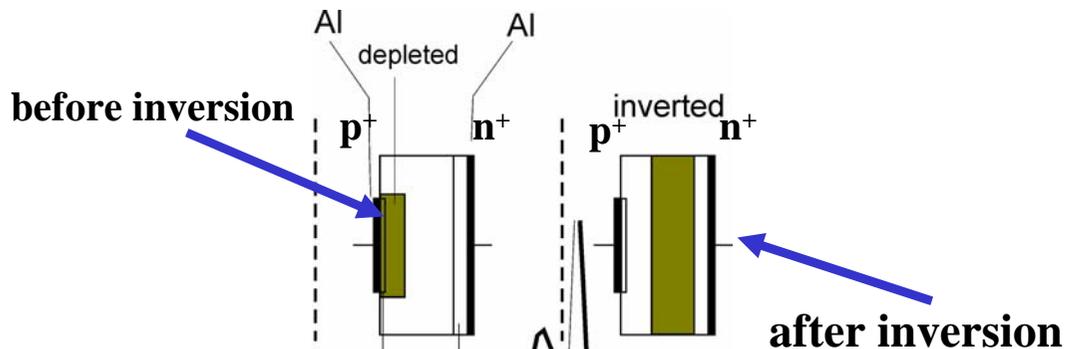
.... with particle fluence:



.... with time (annealing):



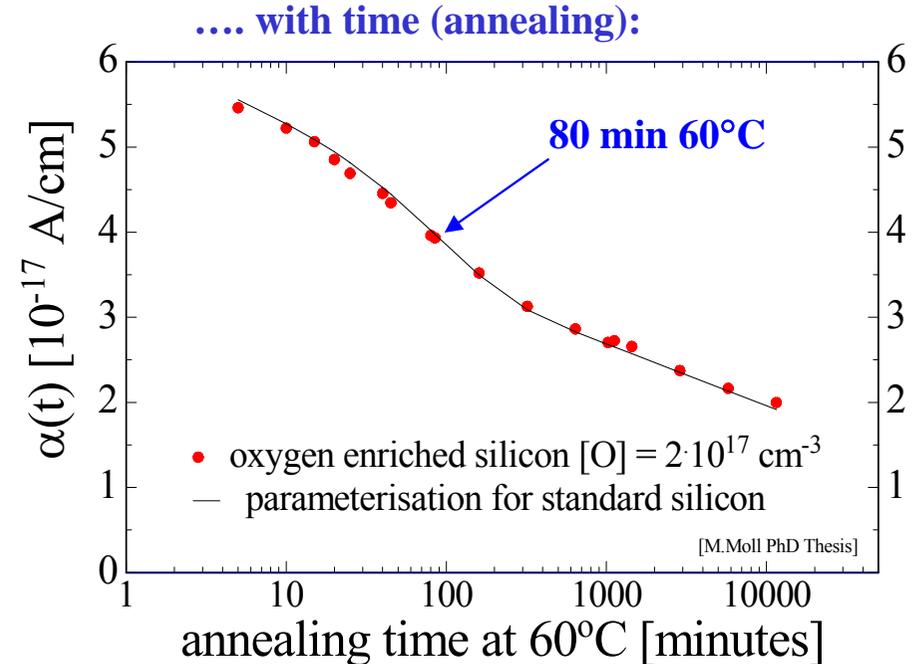
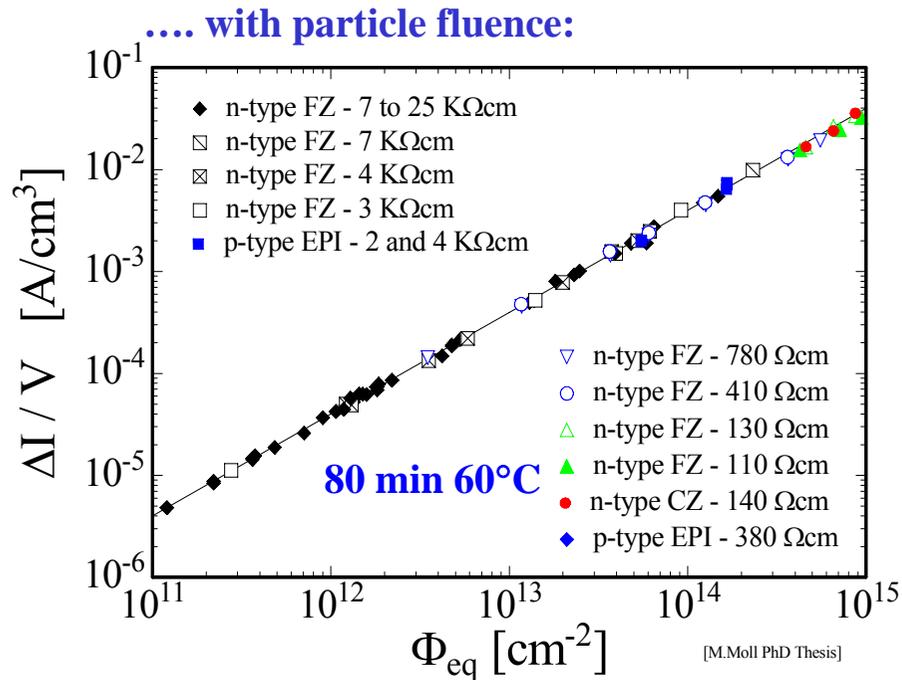
- “**Type inversion**”:  $N_{\text{eff}}$  changes from positive to negative (Space Charge Sign Inversion)



- Short term: “**Beneficial annealing**”
- Long term: “**Reverse annealing**”
- time constant depends on temperature:
  - ~ 500 years ( $-10^\circ\text{C}$ )
  - ~ 500 days ( $20^\circ\text{C}$ )
  - ~ 21 hours ( $60^\circ\text{C}$ )
- Consequence: **Detectors must be cooled even when the experiment is not running!**

# Radiation Damage – II. Leakage Current

## Change of Leakage Current (after hadron irradiation)



- Damage parameter  $\alpha$  (slope in figure)

$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta I}{V \cdot \Phi_{eq}}$$

Leakage current  
per unit volume  
and particle fluence

- $\alpha$  is constant over several orders of fluence and independent of impurity concentration in Si  
⇒ can be used for fluence measurement

- Leakage current decreasing in time (depending on temperature)
- Strong temperature dependence

$$I \propto \exp\left(-\frac{E_g}{2k_B T}\right)$$

Consequence:

Cool detectors during operation!  
Example:  $I(-10^\circ\text{C}) \sim 1/16 I(20^\circ\text{C})$

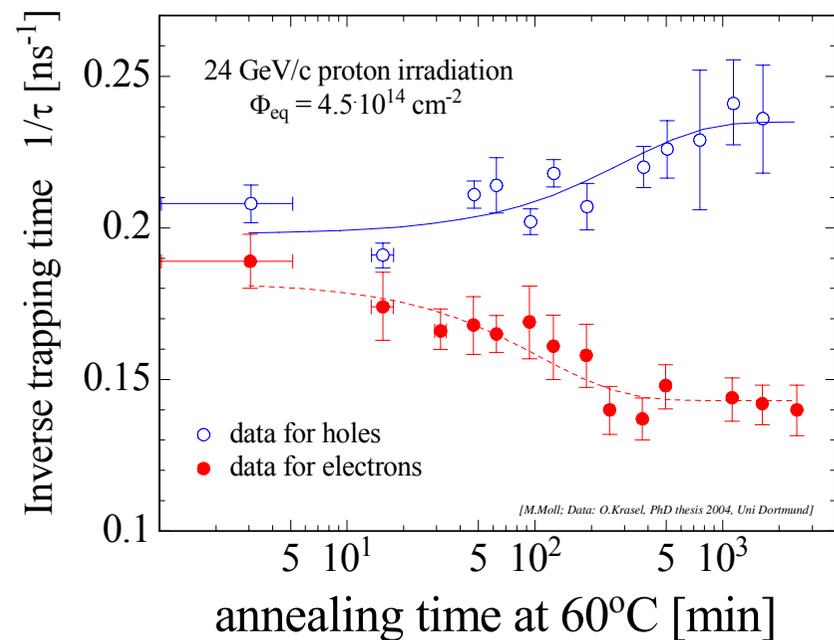
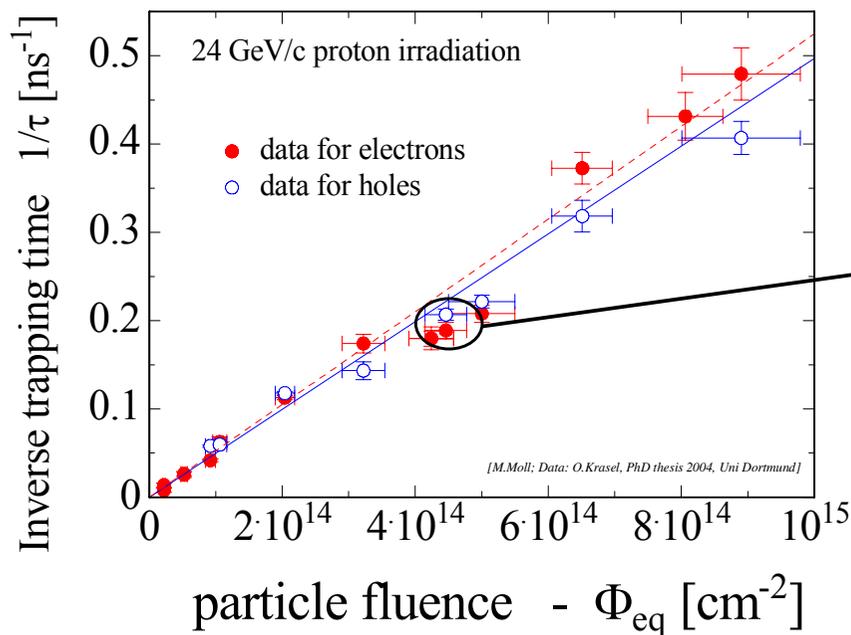
# Radiation Damage – III. CCE (Trapping)

## ■ Deterioration of Charge Collection Efficiency (CCE) by trapping

**Trapping** is characterized by an effective trapping time  $\tau_{\text{eff}}$  for electrons and holes:

$$Q_{e,h}(t) = Q_{0e,h} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\tau_{\text{eff } e,h}} \cdot t\right) \quad \text{where} \quad \frac{1}{\tau_{\text{eff } e,h}} \propto N_{\text{defects}}$$

Increase of inverse trapping time ( $1/\tau$ ) with fluence ..... and change with time (annealing):



# Summary: Radiation Damage in Silicon Sensors

## ■ Two general types of radiation damage to the detector materials:

### ● Bulk (Crystal) damage due to Non Ionizing Energy Loss (NIEL)

- displacement damage, built up of crystal defects –

Influenced  
by impurities  
in Si – Defect  
Engineering  
is possible!

I. Change of **effective doping concentration** (higher depletion voltage, under- depletion)

II. Increase of **leakage current** (increase of shot noise, thermal runaway)

III. Increase of **charge carrier trapping** (loss of charge)

Same for  
all tested  
Silicon

### ● Surface damage due to Ionizing Energy Loss (IEL)

- accumulation of positive in the oxide ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ) and the  $\text{Si/SiO}_2$  interface –  
affects: interstrip capacitance (noise factor), breakdown behavior, ...

## ■ Impact on detector performance and Charge Collection Efficiency

(depending on detector type and geometry and readout electronics!)

Signal/noise ratio is the quantity to watch

⇒ Sensors can fail from radiation damage !

Can be  
optimized!

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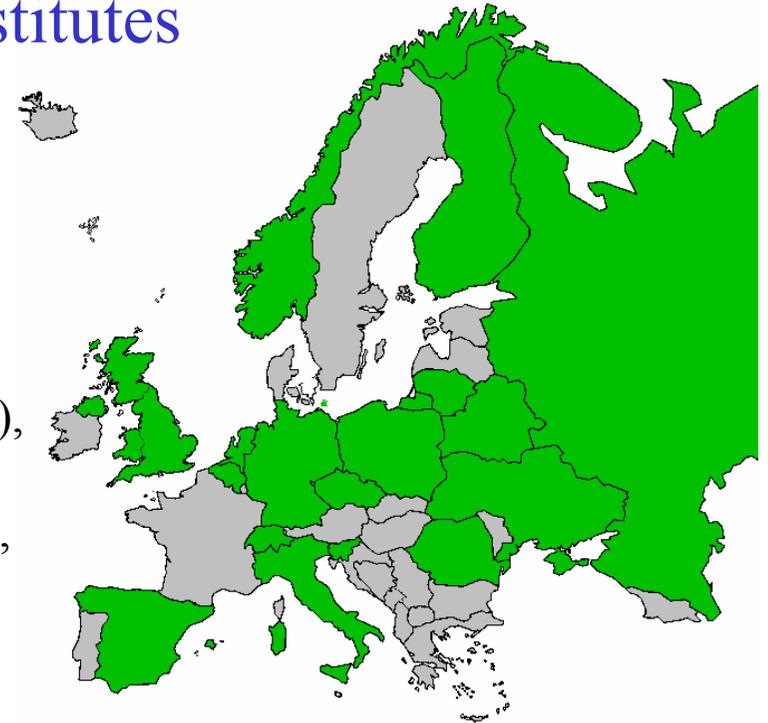


**Diamond Detectors**  
**Cristina Tuvè**

## 250 Members from 49 Institutes

### 40 European and Asian institutes

**Belarus** (Minsk), **Belgium** (Louvain), **Czech Republic** (Prague (3x)), **Finland** (Helsinki, Lappeenranta), **Germany** (Dortmund, Erfurt, Freiburg, Hamburg, Karlsruhe, Munich), **Italy** (Bari, Bologna, Florence, Padova, Perugia, Pisa, Torino, Trento), **Lithuania** (Vilnius), **Netherlands** (NIKHEF), **Norway** (Oslo (2x)), **Poland** (Warsaw(2x)), **Romania** (Bucharest (2x)), **Russia** (Moscow, St.Petersburg), **Slovenia** (Ljubljana), **Spain** (Barcelona, Valencia), **Switzerland** (CERN, PSI), **Ukraine** (Kiev), **United Kingdom** (Glasgow, Lancaster, Liverpool)



### 8 North-American institutes

**Canada** (Montreal), **USA** (BNL, Fermilab, New Mexico, Purdue, Rochester, Santa Cruz, Syracuse)



### 1 Middle East institute

**Israel** (Tel Aviv)

Detailed member list: <http://cern.ch/rd50>

# Approaches to develop radiation harder tracking detectors

## Scientific strategies:

**I. Material engineering**

**II. Device engineering**

**III. Variation of detector operational conditions**

CERN-RD39

“Cryogenic Tracking Detectors”

## • Defect Engineering of Silicon

- Understanding radiation damage
  - Macroscopic effects and Microscopic defects
  - Simulation of defect properties and defect kinetics
  - Irradiation with different particles at different energies
- Oxygen rich silicon
  - DOFZ, Cz, MCZ, EPI
- Oxygen dimer enriched silicon
- Hydrogen enriched silicon
- Pre-irradiated silicon
- Influence of processing technology

## • New Materials

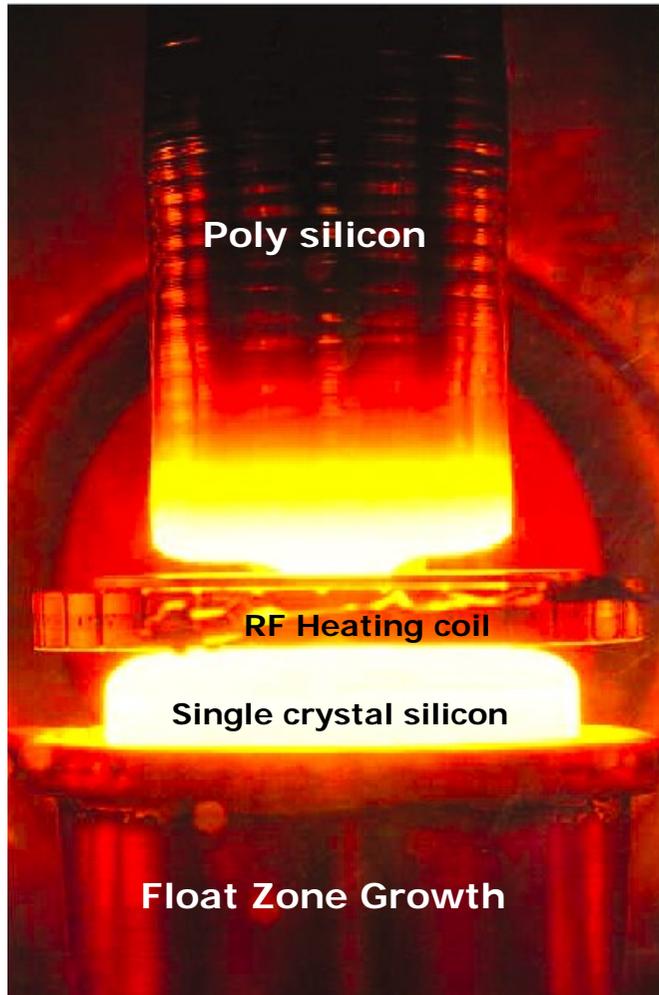
- Silicon Carbide (SiC), Gallium Nitride (GaN)
- Diamond: CERN RD42 Collaboration

## • Device Engineering (New Detector Designs)

- p-type silicon detectors (n-in-p)
- Thin detectors
- 3D and Semi 3D detectors
- Cost effective detectors
- Simulation of highly irradiated detectors
- Monolithic silicon sensors (??)

# Silicon Growth Processes

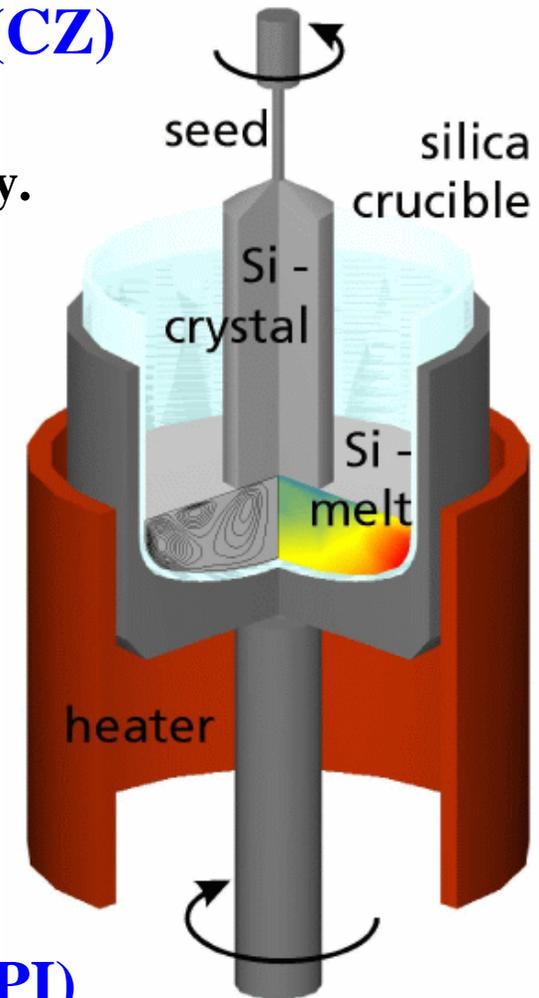
- **Floating Zone Silicon (FZ)**



- Basically all silicon detectors made out of high resistivity FZ silicon

- **Czochralski Silicon (CZ)**

- The growth method used by the IC industry.
- Difficult to produce very high resistivity



- **Epitaxial Silicon (EPI)**

- Chemical-Vapor Deposition (CVD) of Si
- up to 150  $\mu\text{m}$  thick layers produced
- growth rate about 1 $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$

# Silicon Materials under Investigation by RD50

| Material                                                        | Thickness [μm]       | Symbol | ρ (Ωcm)              | [O <sub>i</sub> ] (cm <sup>-3</sup> ) |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Standard FZ (n- and p-type)                                     | 50,100,150, 300      | FZ     | 1–30×10 <sup>3</sup> | < 5×10 <sup>16</sup>                  |
| Diffusion oxygenated FZ (n- and p-type)                         | 300                  | DOFZ   | 1–7×10 <sup>3</sup>  | ~ 1–2×10 <sup>17</sup>                |
| Magnetic Czochralski Si, Okmetic, Finland (n- and p-type)       | 100, 300             | MCz    | ~ 1×10 <sup>3</sup>  | ~ 5×10 <sup>17</sup>                  |
| Czochralski Si, Sumitomo, Japan (n-type)                        | 300                  | Cz     | ~ 1×10 <sup>3</sup>  | ~ 8-9×10 <sup>17</sup>                |
| Epitaxial layers on Cz-substrates, ITME, Poland (n- and p-type) | 25, 50, 75, 100, 150 | EPI    | 50 – 100             | < 1×10 <sup>17</sup>                  |
| Diffusion oxyg. Epitaxial layers on CZ                          | 75                   | EPI-DO | 50 – 100             | ~ 7×10 <sup>17</sup>                  |

standard for particle detectors

used for LHC Pixel detectors

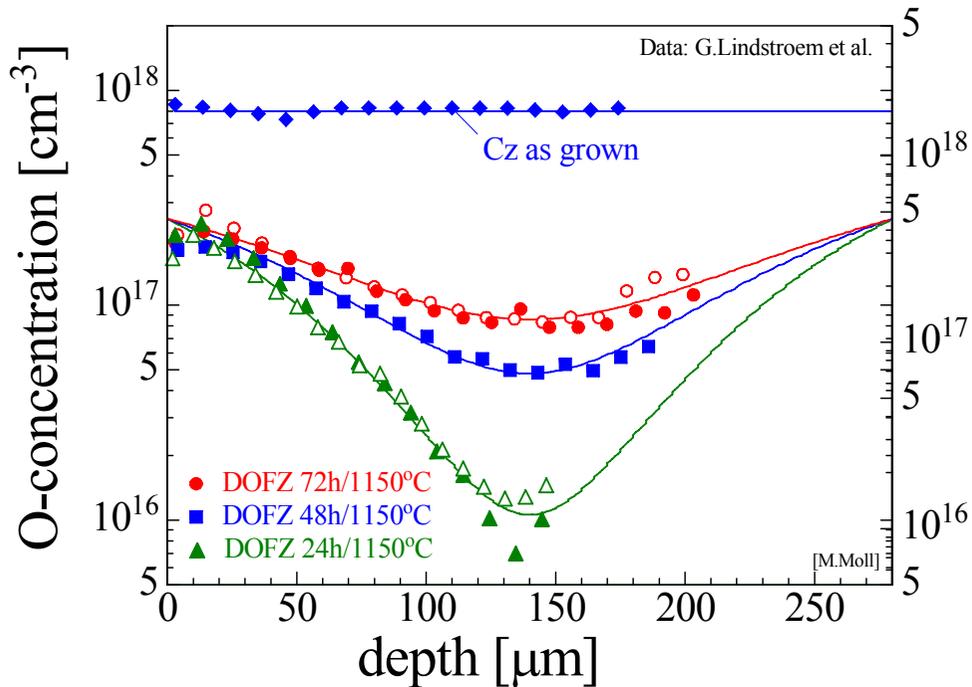
“new” silicon material

- **DOFZ silicon** - Enriched with oxygen on wafer level, inhomogeneous distribution of oxygen
- **CZ/MCZ silicon** - high O<sub>i</sub> (oxygen) and O<sub>2i</sub> (oxygen dimer) concentration (homogeneous)  
- formation of shallow Thermal Donors possible
- **Epi silicon** - high O<sub>i</sub>, O<sub>2i</sub> content due to out-diffusion from the CZ substrate (inhomogeneous)  
- thin layers: high doping possible (low starting resistivity)
- **Epi-Do silicon** - as EPI, however additional O<sub>i</sub> diffused reaching homogeneous O<sub>i</sub> content

# Oxygen concentration in FZ, CZ and EPI

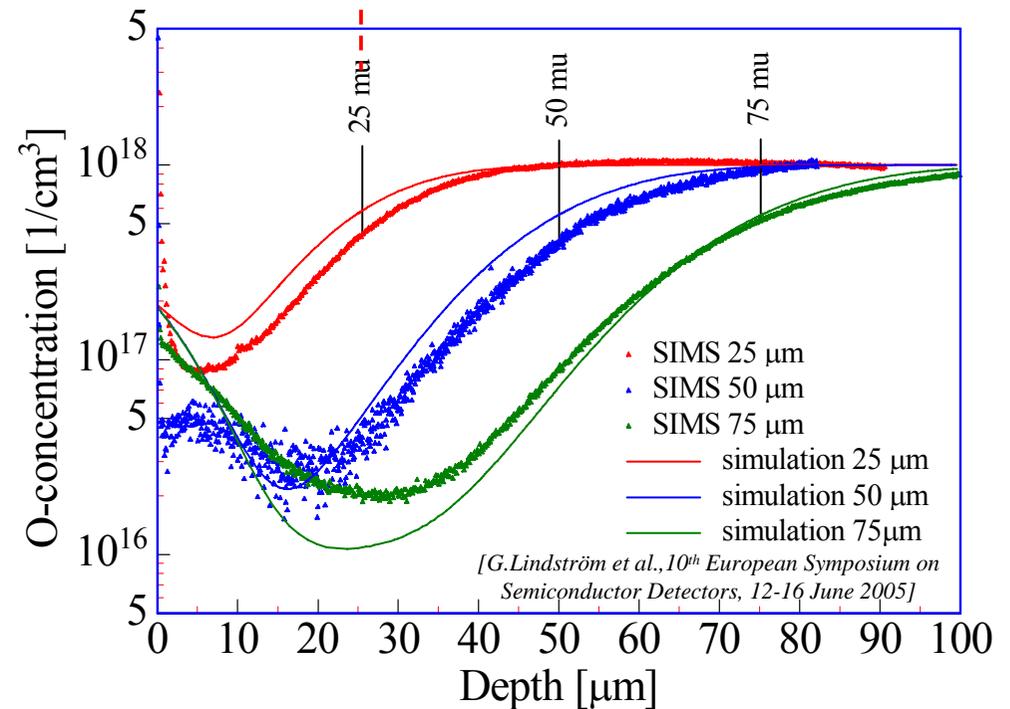
## DOFZ and CZ silicon

- DOFZ: inhomogeneous oxygen distribution
- DOFZ: oxygen content increasing with time at high temperature



- CZ: high  $\text{O}_i$  (oxygen) and  $\text{O}_{2i}$  (oxygen dimer) concentration (homogeneous)
- CZ: formation of Thermal Donors possible !

## Epitaxial silicon

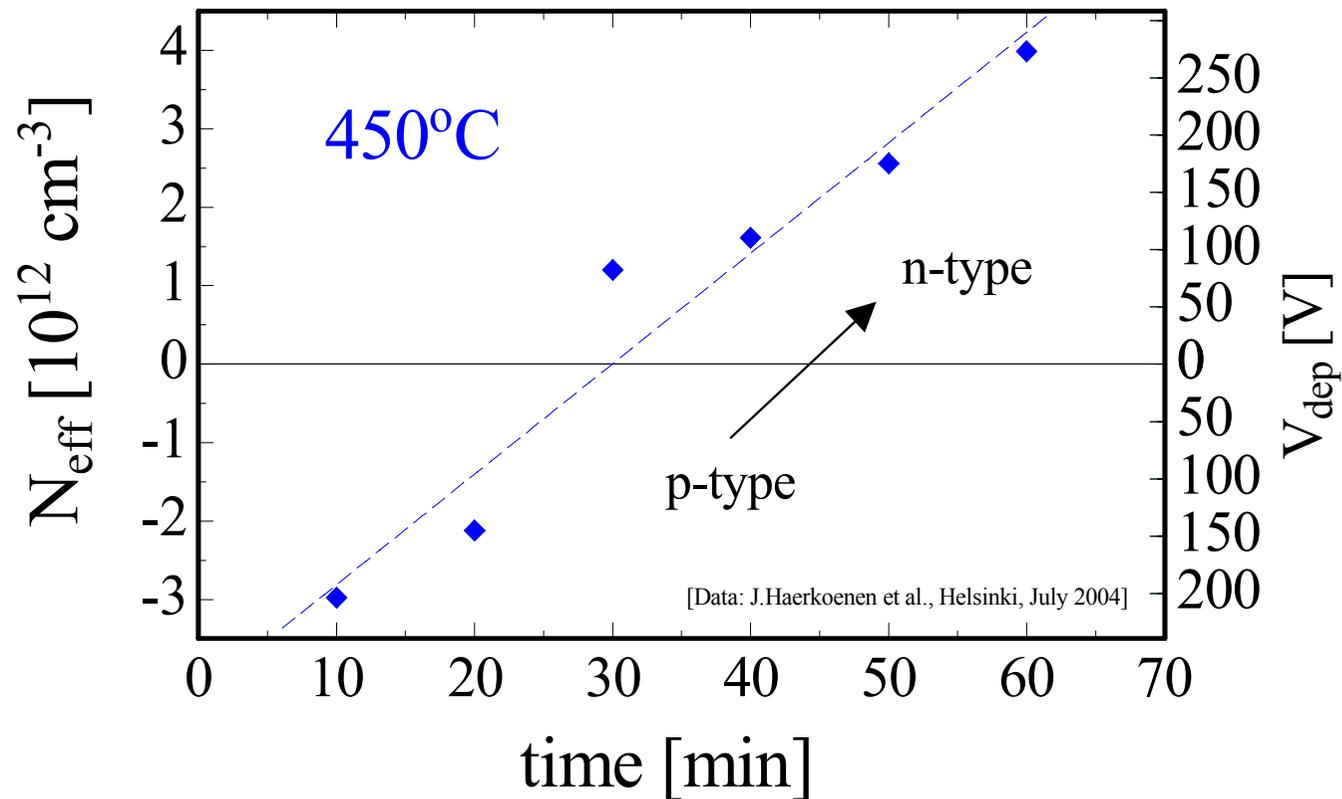


- EPI:  $\text{O}_i$  and  $\text{O}_{2i}$  (?) diffusion from substrate into epi-layer during production
- EPI: in-homogeneous oxygen distribution

# p-type (Magnetic CZ)

- **Thermal Donor generation due to heat treatment at 450°C**
- **Effective doping concentration (depletion voltage) can be tailored**

(here: starting with p-type material and converting it to n-type)



- **Radiation hardness of thermal donor doped MCZ under test**

# RD50 Test Sensor Production Runs (2005-2008)

- Recent production of Silicon Strip, Pixel and Pad detectors (non exclusive list):

- CIS Erfurt, Germany

- 2005/2006/2007 (RD50): Several runs with various epi 4" wafers only pad detectors

- CNM Barcelona, Spain

- 2006 (RD50): 22 wafers (4"), (20 pad, 26 strip, 12 pixel),(p- and n-type),(MCZ, EPI, FZ)
- 2006 (RD50/RADMON): several wafers (4"), (100 pad), (p- and n-type),(MCZ, EPI, FZ)

- HIP, Helsinki, Finland

- 2006 (RD50/RADMON): several wafers (4"), only pad devices, (n-type),(MCZ, EPI, FZ)
- 2006 (RD50) : pad devices, p-type MCz-Si wafers, 5 p-spray doses, Thermal Donor compensation
- 2006 (RD50) : full size strip detectors with 768 channels, n-type MCz-Si wafers

- IRST, Trento, Italy

- 2004 (RD50/SMART): 20 wafers 4" (n-type), (MCZ, FZ, EPI), mini-strip, pad 200-500 $\mu\text{m}$
- 2004 (RD50/SMART): 23 wafers 4" (p-type), (MCZ, FZ), two p-spray doses 3E12 amd 5E12 cm<sup>-2</sup>
- 2005 (RD50/SMART): 4" p-type EPI
- 2008 (RD50/SMART): new 4" run

- Micron Semiconductor L.t.d (UK)

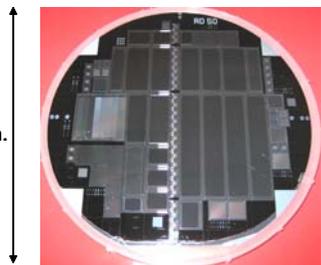
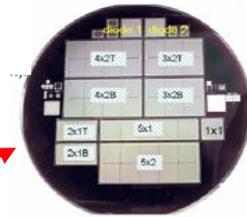
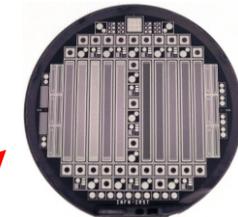
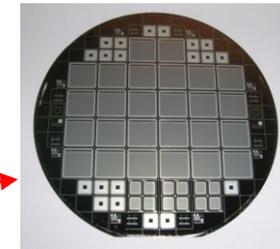
- 2006 (RD50): 4", microstrip detectors on 140 and 300 $\mu\text{m}$  thick p-type FZ and DOFZ Si.
- 2006/2007 (RD50): 93 wafers, 6 inch wafers, (p- and n-type), (MCZ and FZ), (strip, pixel, pad)

- Sintef, Oslo, Norway

- 2005 (RD50/US CMS Pixel) n-type MCZ and FZ Si Wafers

- Hamamatsu, Japan [ATLAS ID project – not RD50]

- In 2005 Hamamatsu started to work on p-type silicon in collaboration with ATLAS upgrade groups (surely influenced by RD50 results on this material)



**Hundreds of samples (pad/strip/pixel) recently produced on various materials (n- and p-type).**

- M.Lozano, 8<sup>th</sup> RD50 Workshop, Prague, June 2006
- A.Pozza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trento Meeting, February 2006
- G.Casse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trento Meeting, February 2006
- D. Bortoletto, 6<sup>th</sup> RD50 Workshop, Helsinki, June 2005
- N.Zorzi, Trento Workshop, February 2005
- H. Sadrozinski, rd50 Workshop, Nov. 2007

# Oxygen enriched silicon – DOFZ

- proton irradiation -

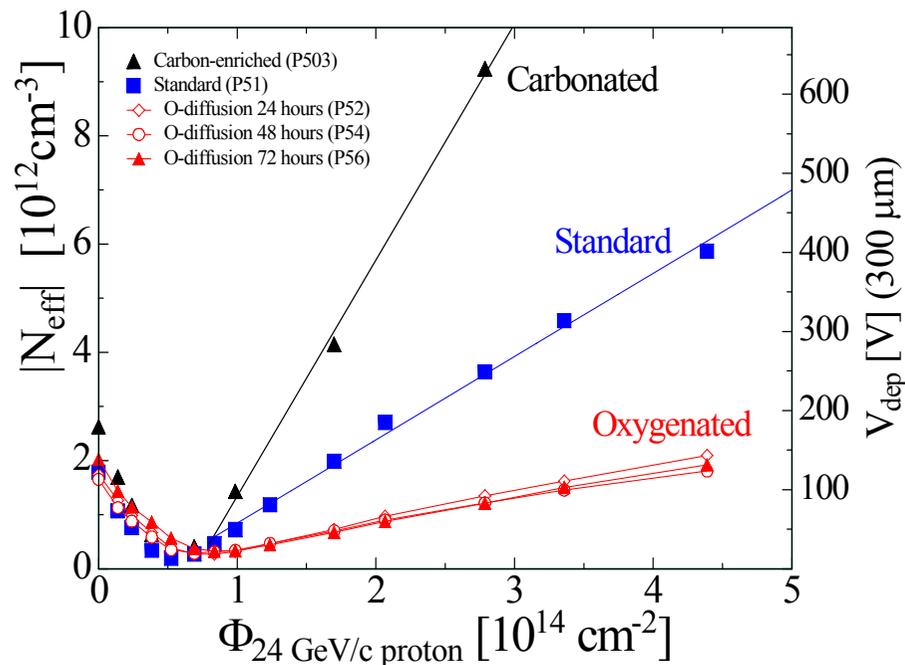
- **DOFZ (Diffusion Oxygenated Float Zone Silicon)**

- 1982 First oxygen diffusion tests on FZ [Brotherton et al. J.Appl.Phys.,Vol.53, No.8.,5720]
- 1995 First tests on detector grade silicon [Z.Li et al. IEEE TNS Vol.42,No.4,219]
- **1999 Introduced to the HEP community by RD48 (ROSE)**



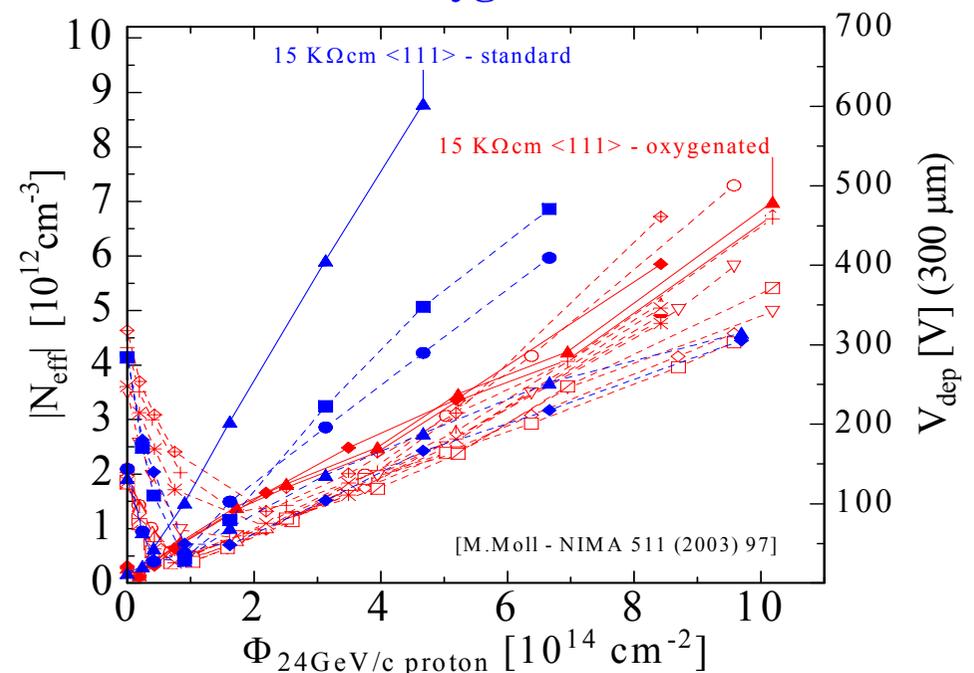
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First tests in 1999 show clear advantage of oxygenation



[RD48-NIMA 465(2001) 60]

Later systematic tests reveal strong variations with no clear dependence on oxygen content



However, only non-oxygenated diodes show a “bad” behavior.

# Standard FZ, DOFZ, Cz and MCZ Silicon

## 24 GeV/c proton irradiation

### • Standard FZ silicon

- type inversion at  $\sim 2 \times 10^{13}$  p/cm<sup>2</sup>
- strong  $N_{\text{eff}}$  increase at high fluence

### • Oxygenated FZ (DOFZ)

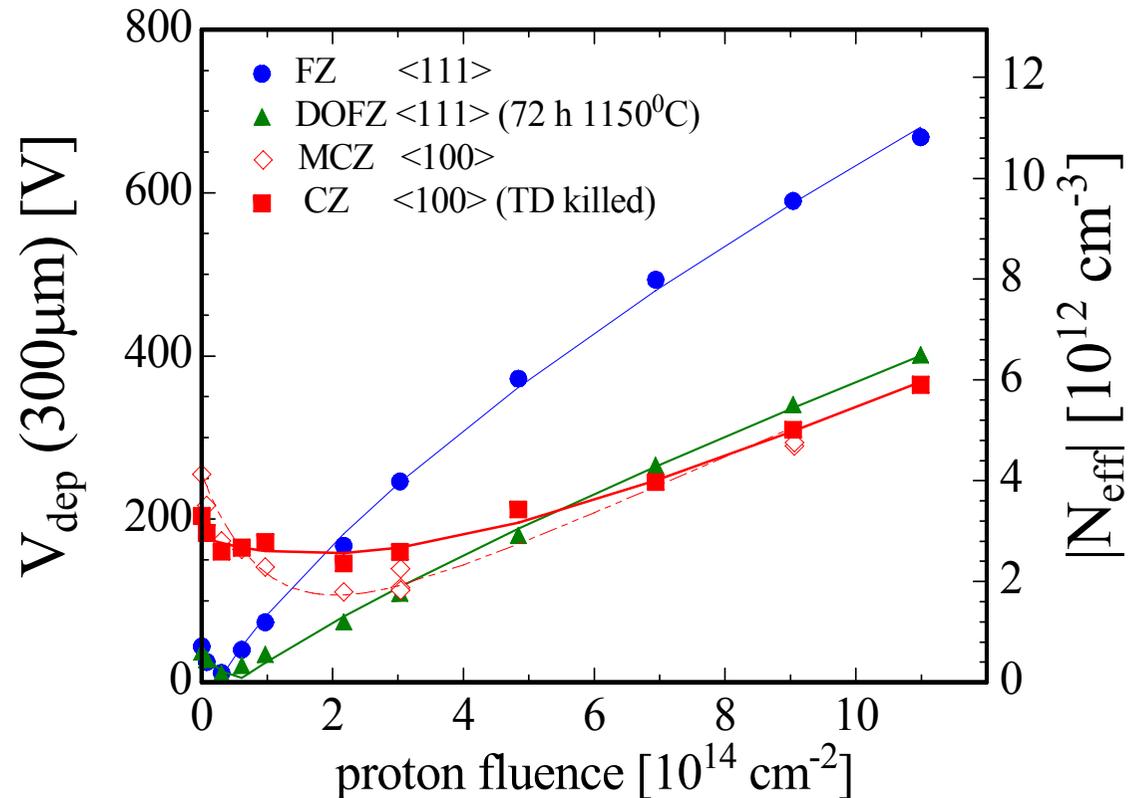
- type inversion at  $\sim 2 \times 10^{13}$  p/cm<sup>2</sup>
- reduced  $N_{\text{eff}}$  increase at high fluence

### • CZ silicon and MCZ silicon

- no type inversion\* in the overall fluence range (verified by TCT measurements)  
(verified for CZ silicon by TCT measurements, preliminary result for MCZ silicon)  
⇒ donor generation overcompensates acceptor generation in high fluence range

### • Common to all materials (after hadron irradiation):

- reverse current increase
- increase of trapping (electrons and holes) within  $\sim 20\%$

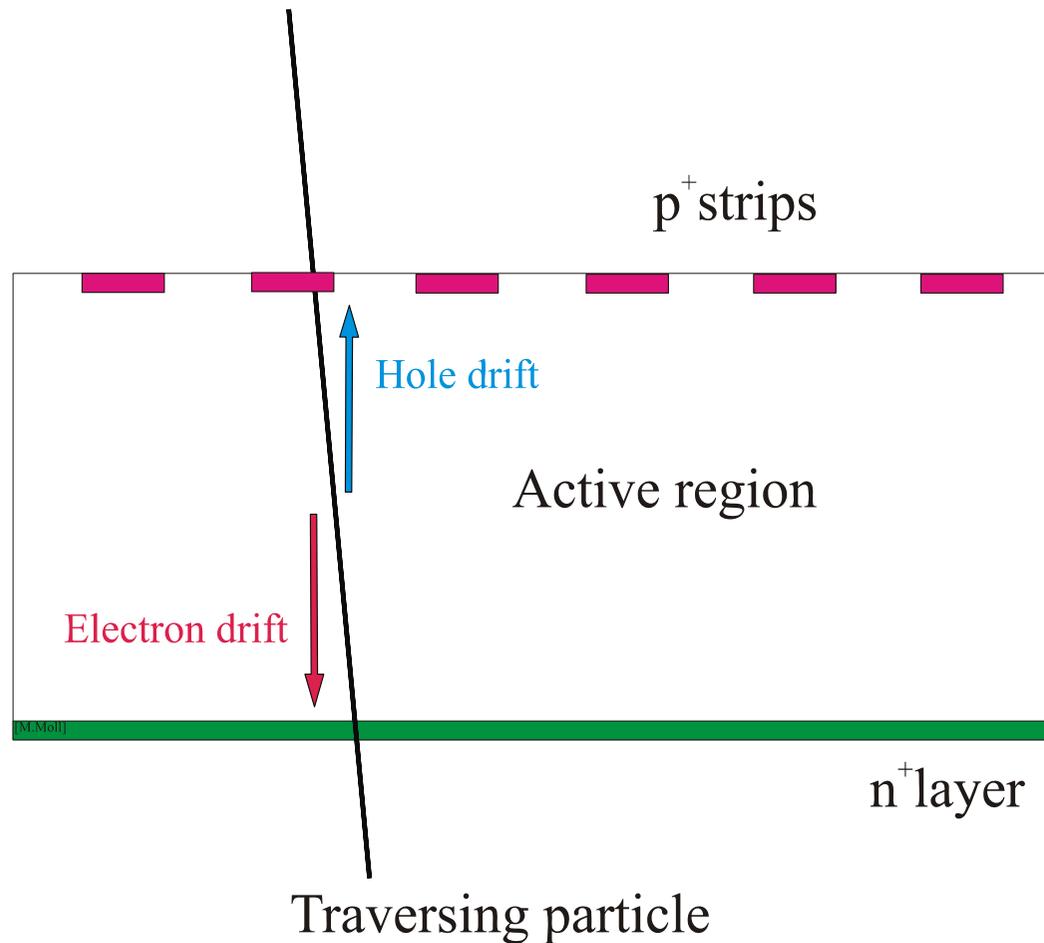


*\* beware: reality is more complex, see later*

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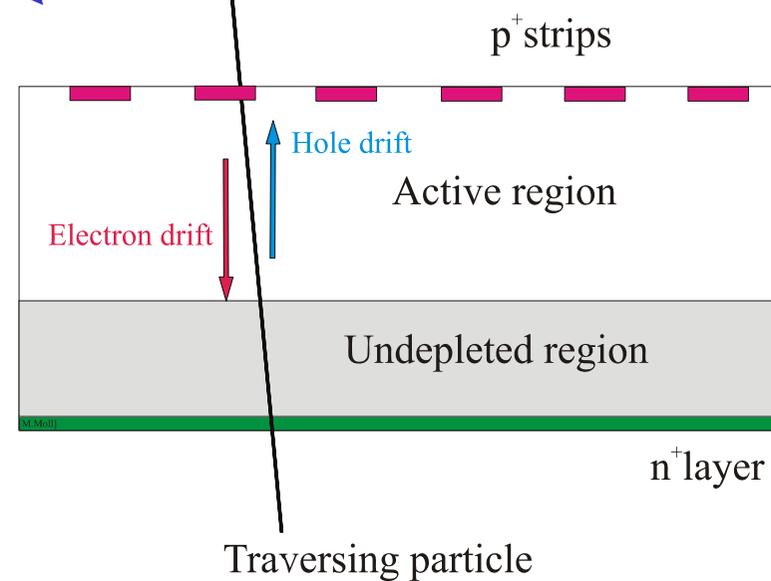
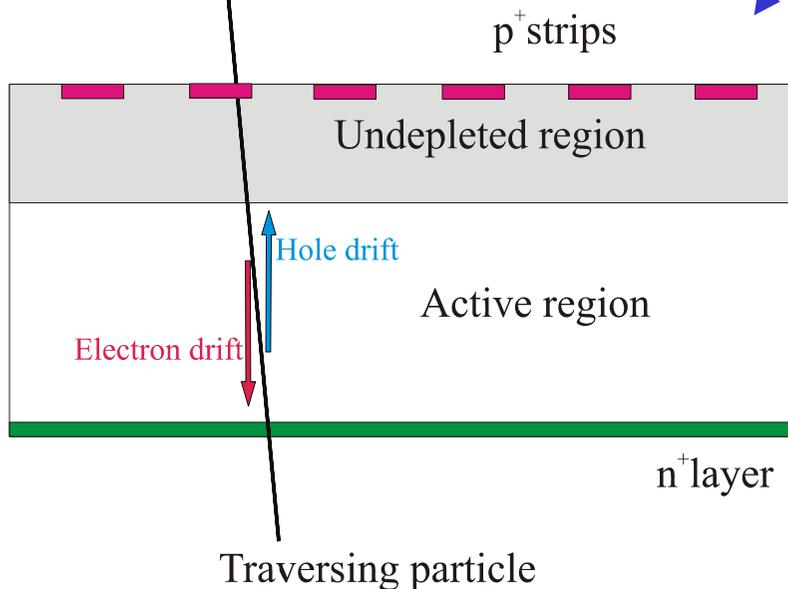
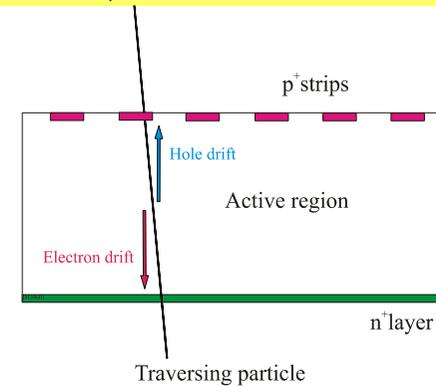
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### Fully depleted detector (non – irradiated):

heavy irradiation

inverted

non inverted



inverted to “p-type”, under-depleted:

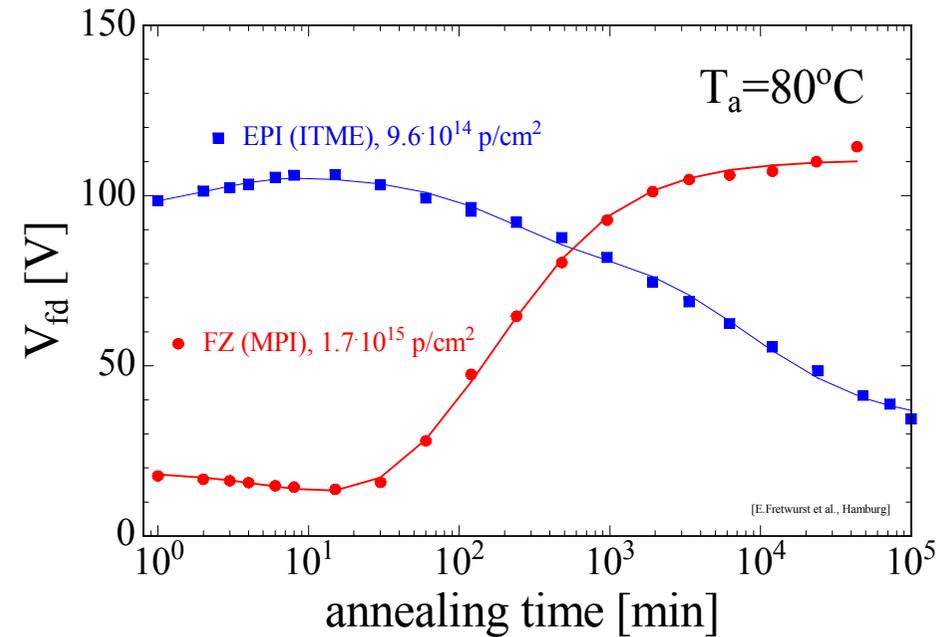
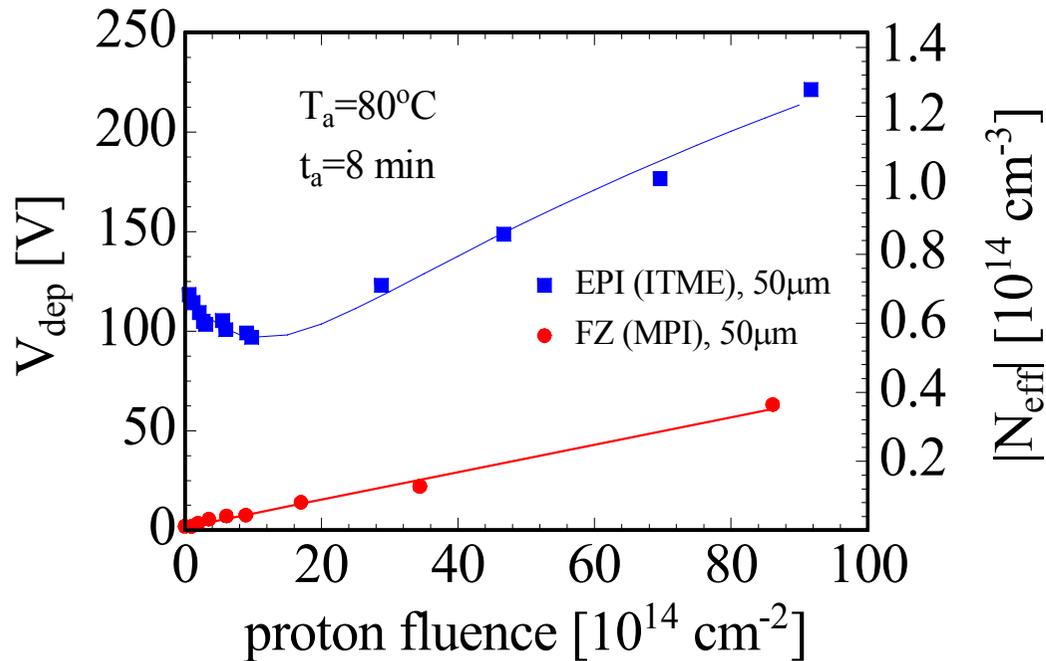
- Charge spread – degraded resolution
- Charge loss – reduced CCE

non-inverted, under-depleted:

- Limited loss in CCE
- Less degradation with under-depletion

# Epitaxial silicon - Annealing

- **50  $\mu\text{m}$  thick silicon detectors:**
  - **Epitaxial silicon** (50 $\Omega\text{cm}$  on CZ substrate, ITME & CiS)
  - **Thin FZ silicon** (4K $\Omega\text{cm}$ , MPI Munich, wafer bonding technique)



[E.Fretwurst et al.,RESMDD - October 2004]

- **Thin FZ silicon:** Type inverted, increase of depletion voltage with time
- **Epitaxial silicon:** No type inversion, decrease of depletion voltage with time  
 $\Rightarrow$  **No need for low temperature during maintenance of SLHC detectors!**

# “Mixed Irradiations”

- **LHC Experiments radiation field is a mix of different particles**

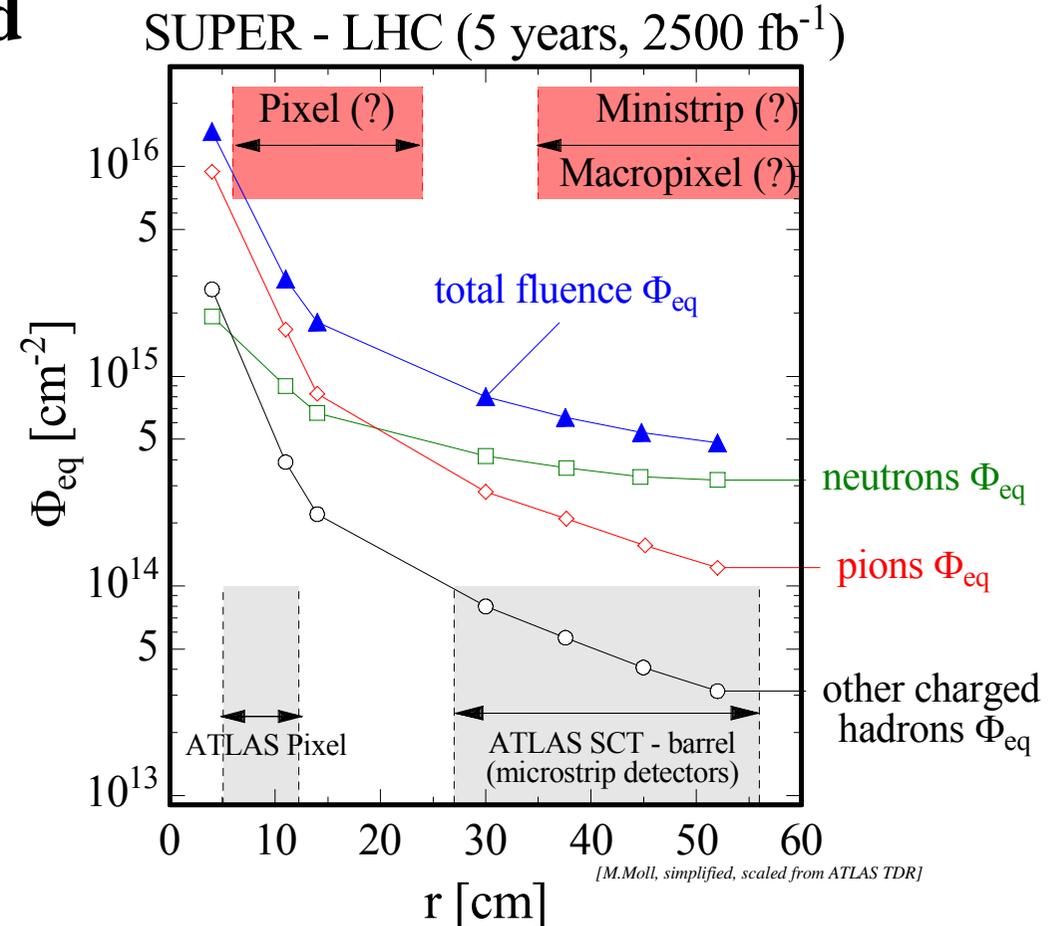
(in particular: charged hadrons  $\leftrightarrow$  neutrons)

- **MCZ silicon has shown an interesting behavior:**

- build up of net negative space charge after neutron irradiation
- build up of net positive space charge after proton irradiation

- **Question:**

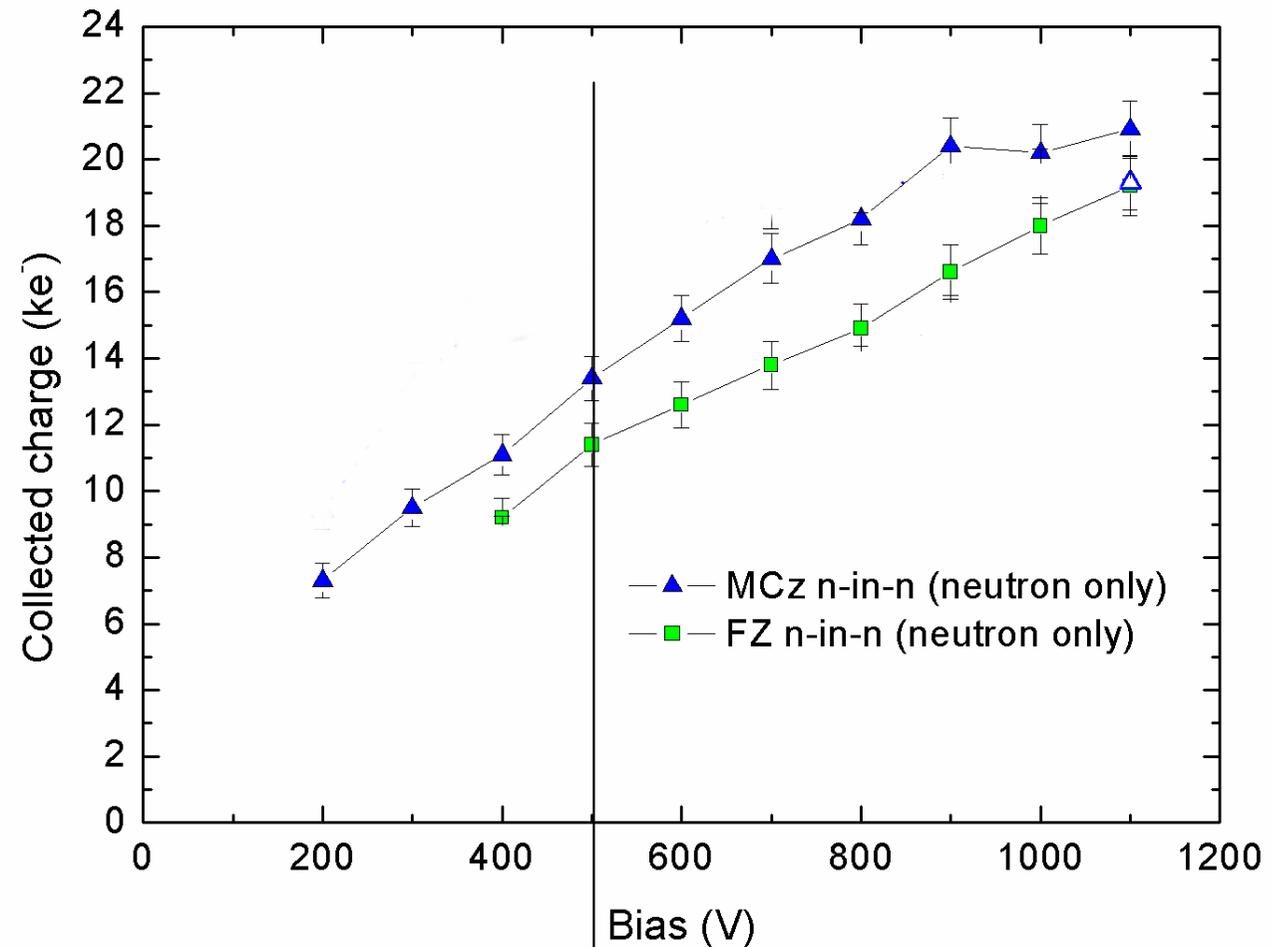
- **What happens when (MCZ) detectors are exposed to a ‘mixed’ radiation field?**



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[T.Affolder et al. 13<sup>th</sup> RD50 Workshop, Nov.2008]

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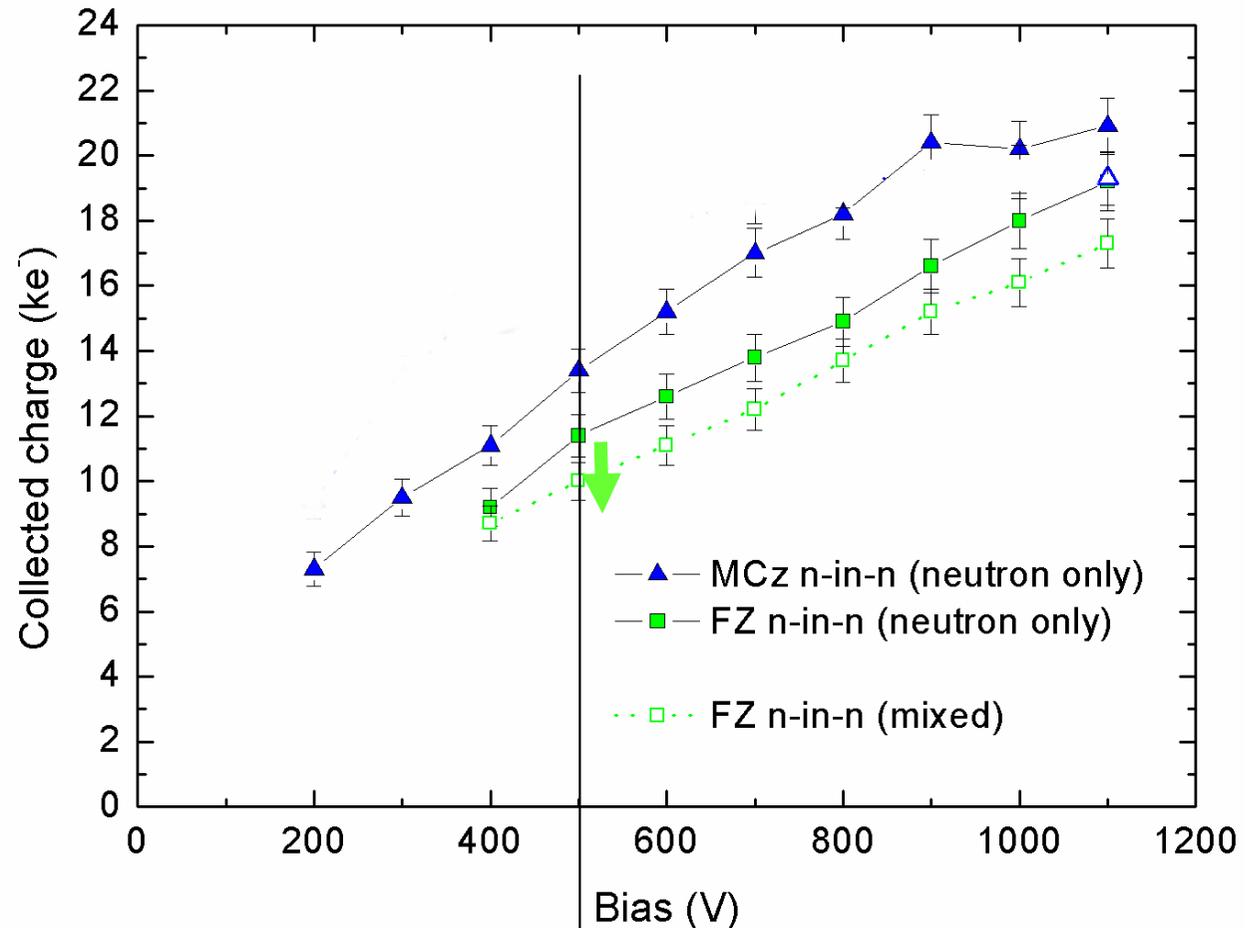
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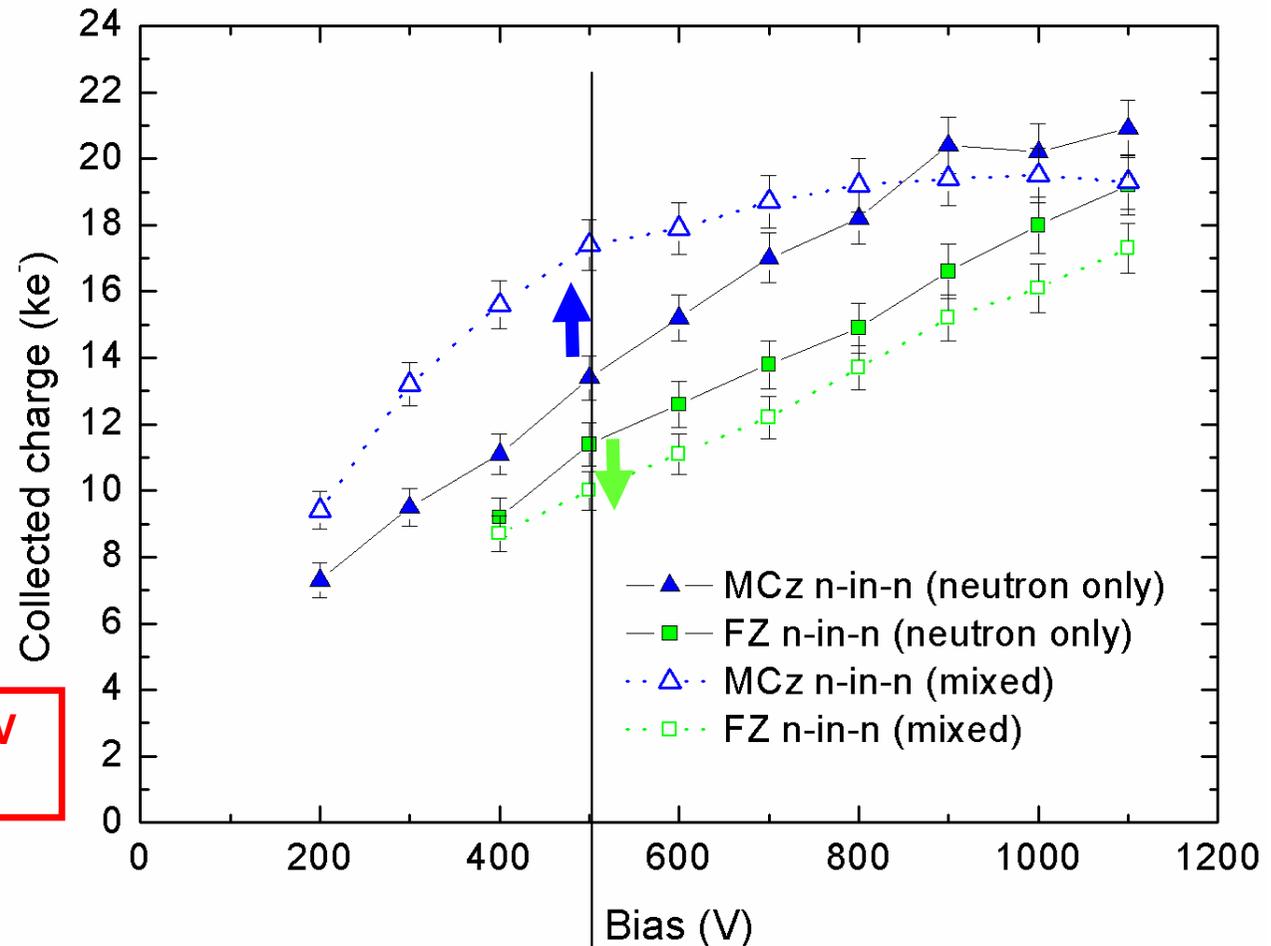
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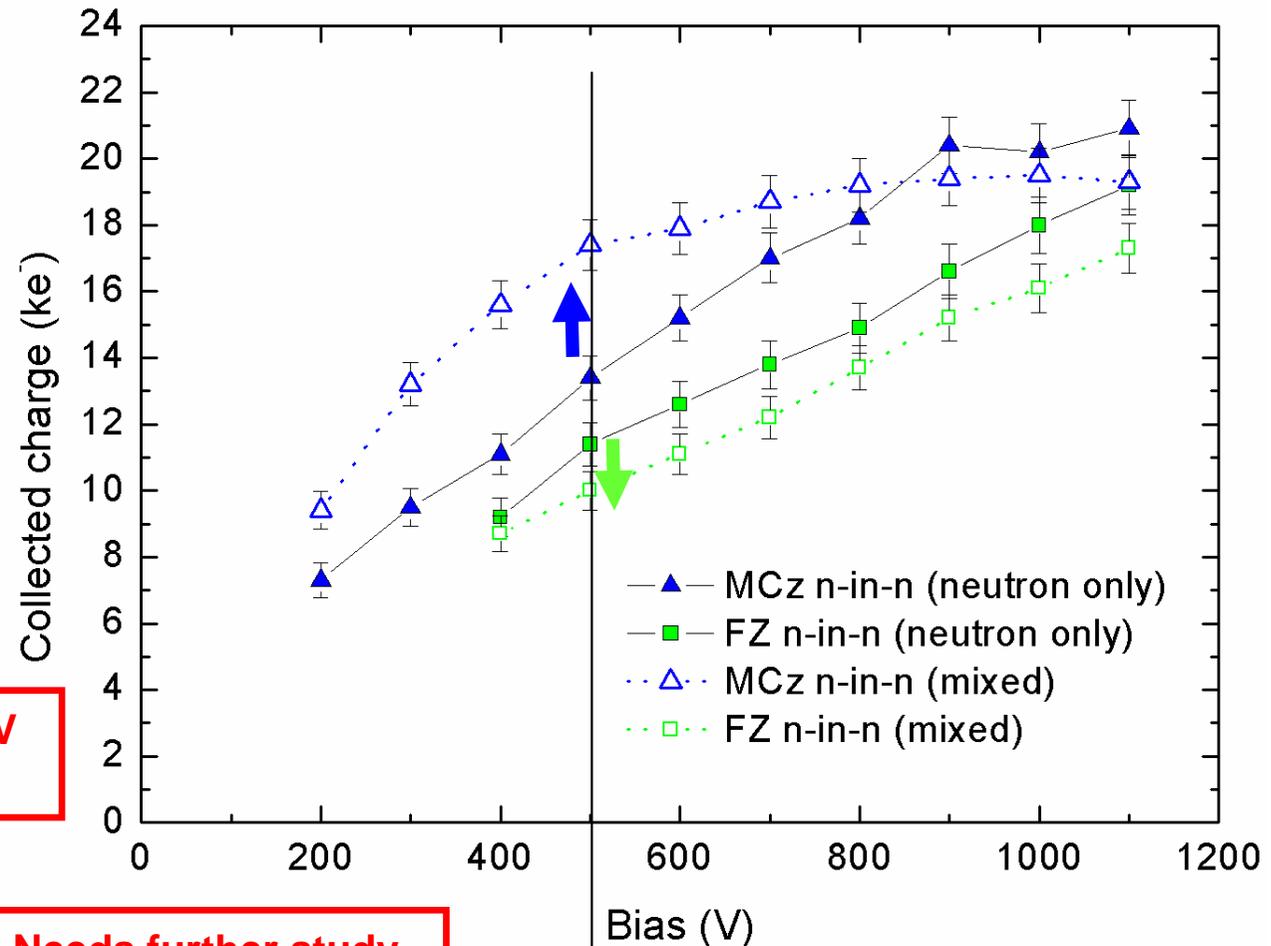
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**Results from November 2008: Needs further study  
with both nMCz and pMCz substrates and differing  
mixed doses ... hot topic for 2009/2010!**



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# Other semiconductors: Epitaxial SiC, GaN and Diamond

| Property                            | Diamond          | GaN            | 4H SiC           | Si               |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| $E_g$ [eV]                          | 5.5              | 3.39           | 3.3              | 1.12             |
| $E_{\text{breakdown}}$ [V/cm]       | $10^7$           | $4 \cdot 10^6$ | $2.2 \cdot 10^6$ | $3 \cdot 10^5$   |
| $\mu_e$ [ $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ ] | 1800             | 1000           | 800              | 1450             |
| $\mu_h$ [ $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ ] | 1200             | 30             | 115              | 450              |
| $v_{\text{sat}}$ [cm/s]             | $2.2 \cdot 10^7$ | -              | $2 \cdot 10^7$   | $0.8 \cdot 10^7$ |
| Z                                   | 6                | 31/7           | 14/6             | 14               |
| $\epsilon_r$                        | 5.7              | 9.6            | 9.7              | 11.9             |
| e-h energy [eV]                     | 13               | 8.9            | 7.6-8.4          | 3.6              |
| Density [g/cm <sup>3</sup> ]        | 3.515            | 6.15           | 3.22             | 2.33             |
| Displacem. [eV]                     | 43               | $\geq 15$      | 25               | 13-20            |

- Wide bandgap (3.3eV)  
⇒ lower leakage current than silicon

- Signal:  
Diamond 36 e/ $\mu\text{m}$   
SiC 51 e/ $\mu\text{m}$   
Si 89 e/ $\mu\text{m}$

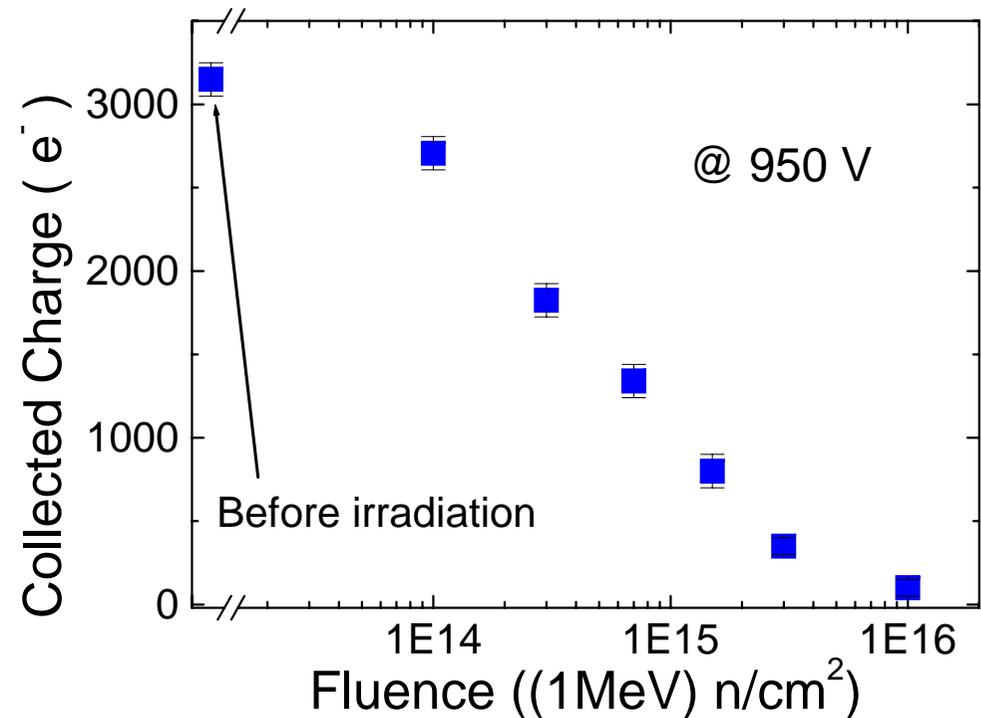
- ⇒ more charge than diamond

- Higher displacement threshold than silicon  
⇒ radiation harder than silicon (?)

R&D on diamond detectors:  
RD42 – Collaboration  
<http://cern.ch/rd42/>

# SiC: CCE after neutron irradiation

- **CCE before irradiation**
  - 100 % with  $\alpha$  particles and MIPS
- **CCE after irradiation (example)**
  - material produced by CREE
  - 55  $\mu\text{m}$  thick layer
  - neutron irradiated samples
  - tested with  $\beta$  particles
- **Conclusion:**
  - SiC is less radiation tolerant than expected
- **Consequence:**
  - RD50 stopped working on this topic

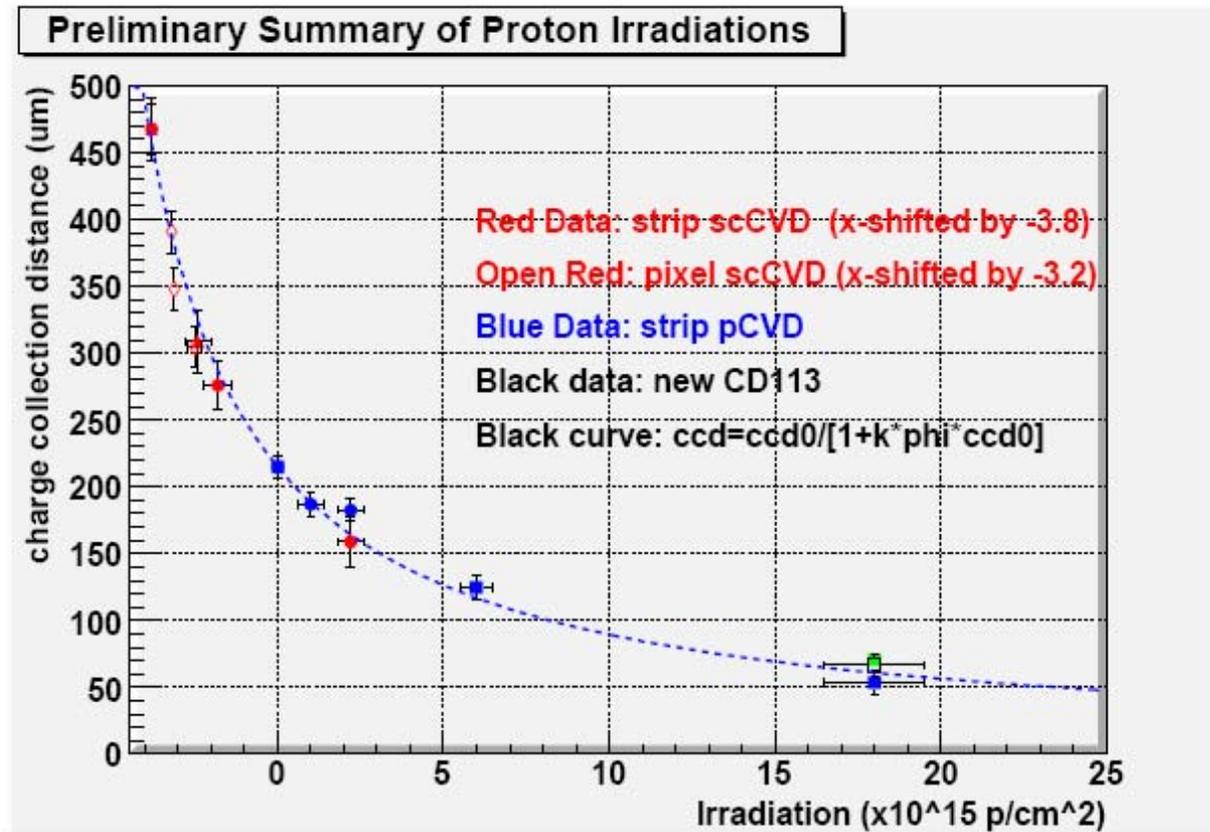


[F.Moscatelli, Bologna, December 2006]



## Proton Irradiation Summary - This Year:

New results from pixel modules - diamond and electronics irradiated!

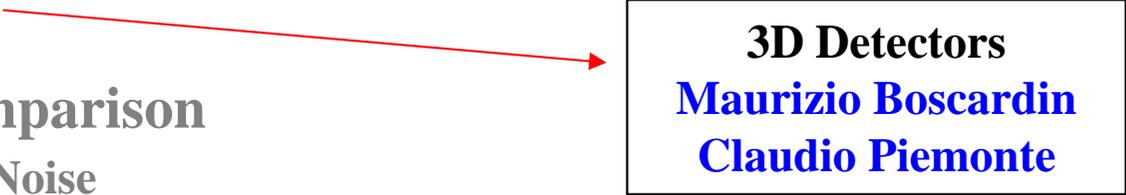


Irradiation results up to  $1.8 \times 10^{16}$  p/cm<sup>2</sup> (~500Mrad).  
pCVD and scCVD diamond follow the same damage curve:

$$1/ccd = 1/ccd_0 + k \phi$$

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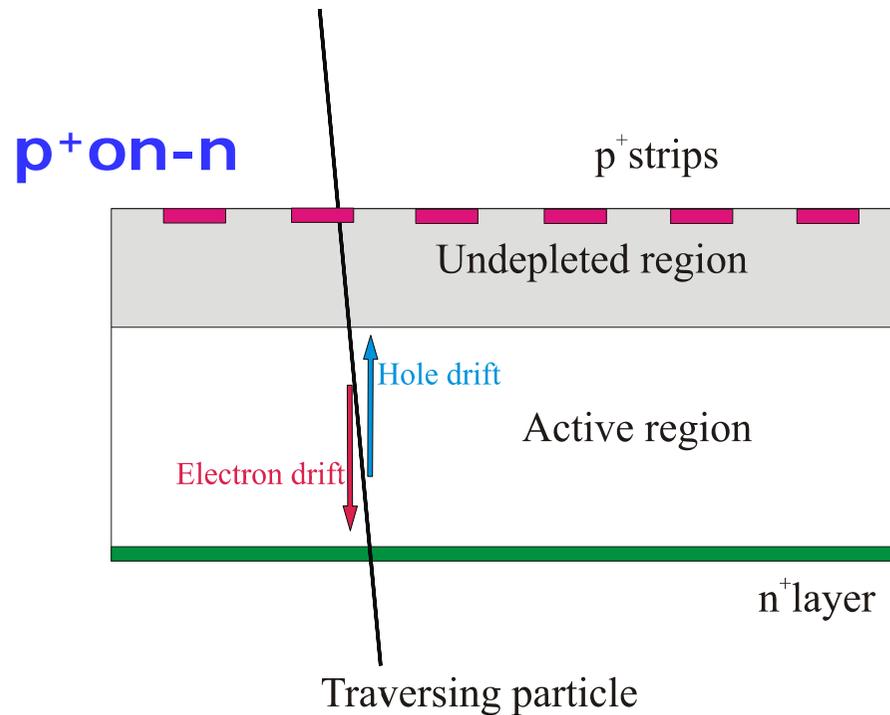


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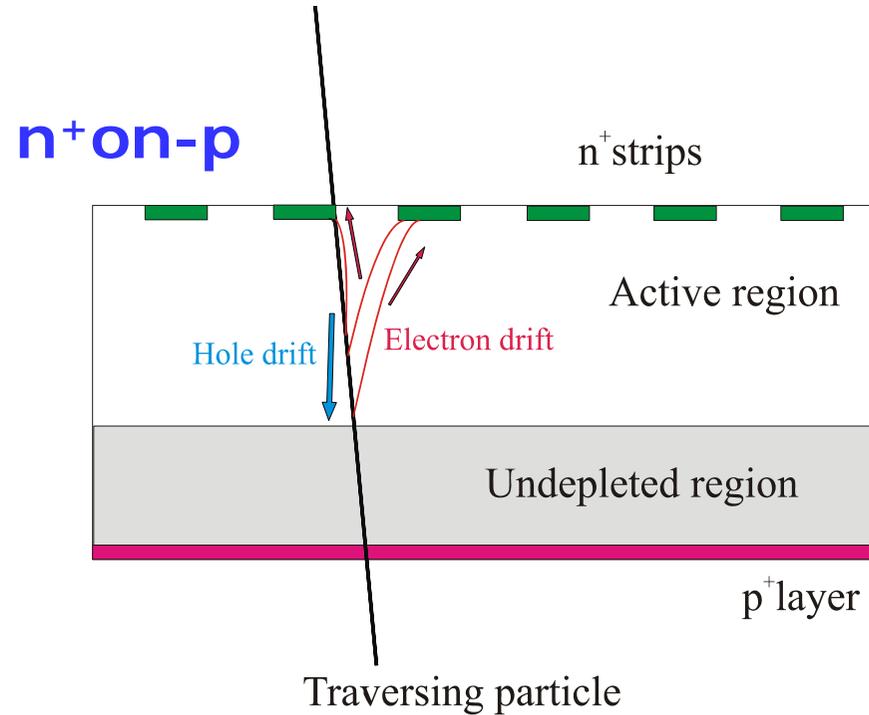
# Device engineering (p-type silicon)

## p-in-n versus n-in-p (or n-in-n) detectors

**p+ strip readout (p-in-n)  
after high fluences:**



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- Charge loss – reduced CCE

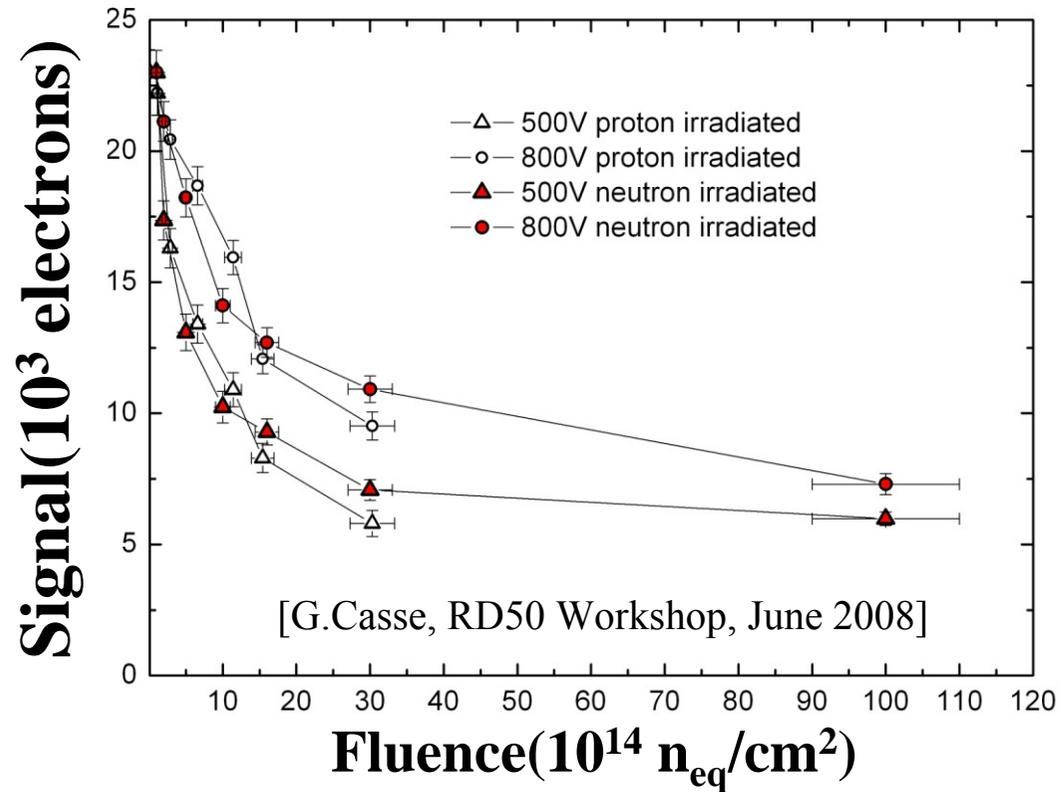
**n-on-p silicon, under-depleted:**

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- Collect electrons (fast)

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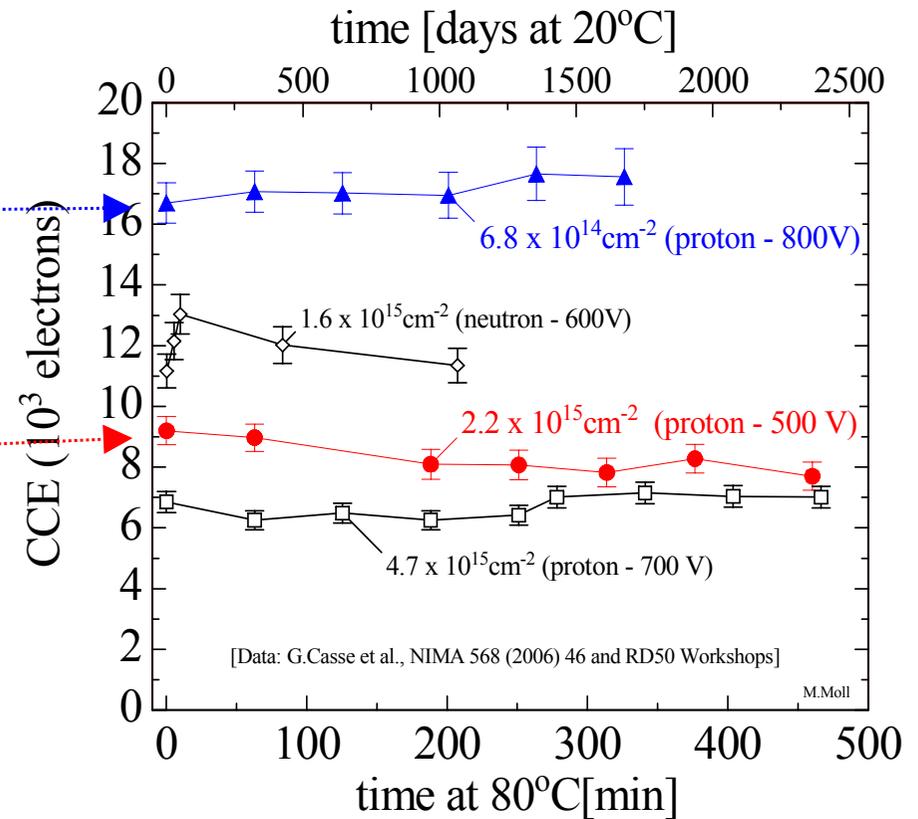
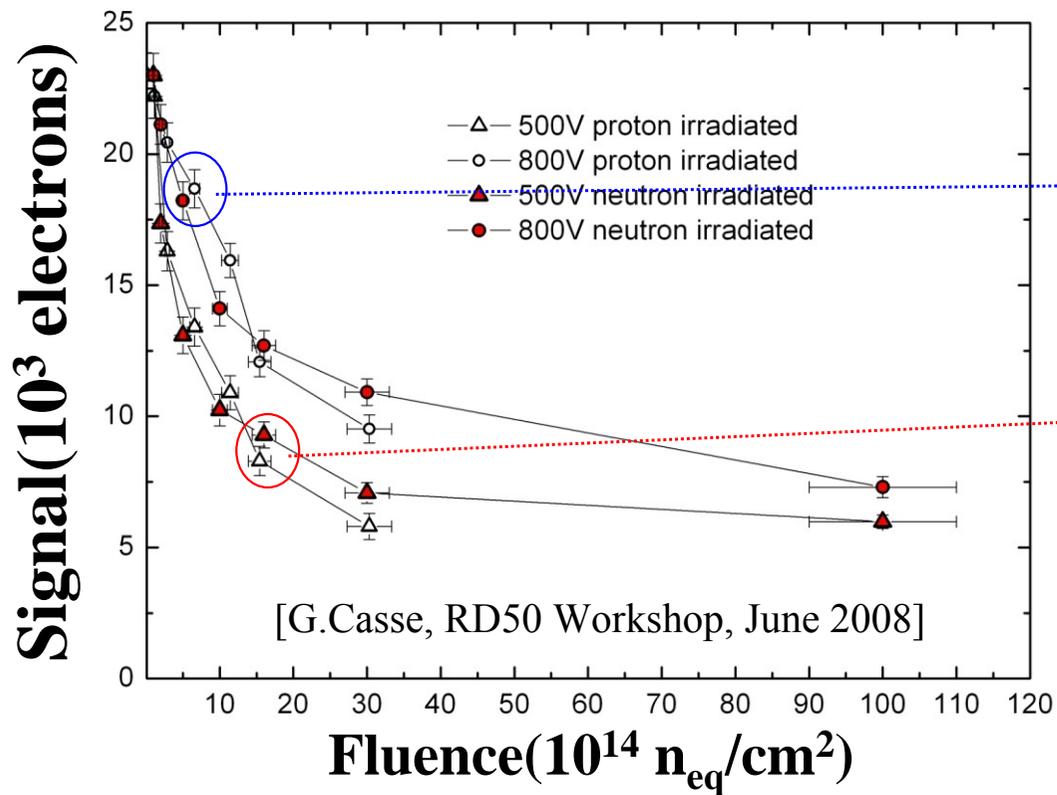
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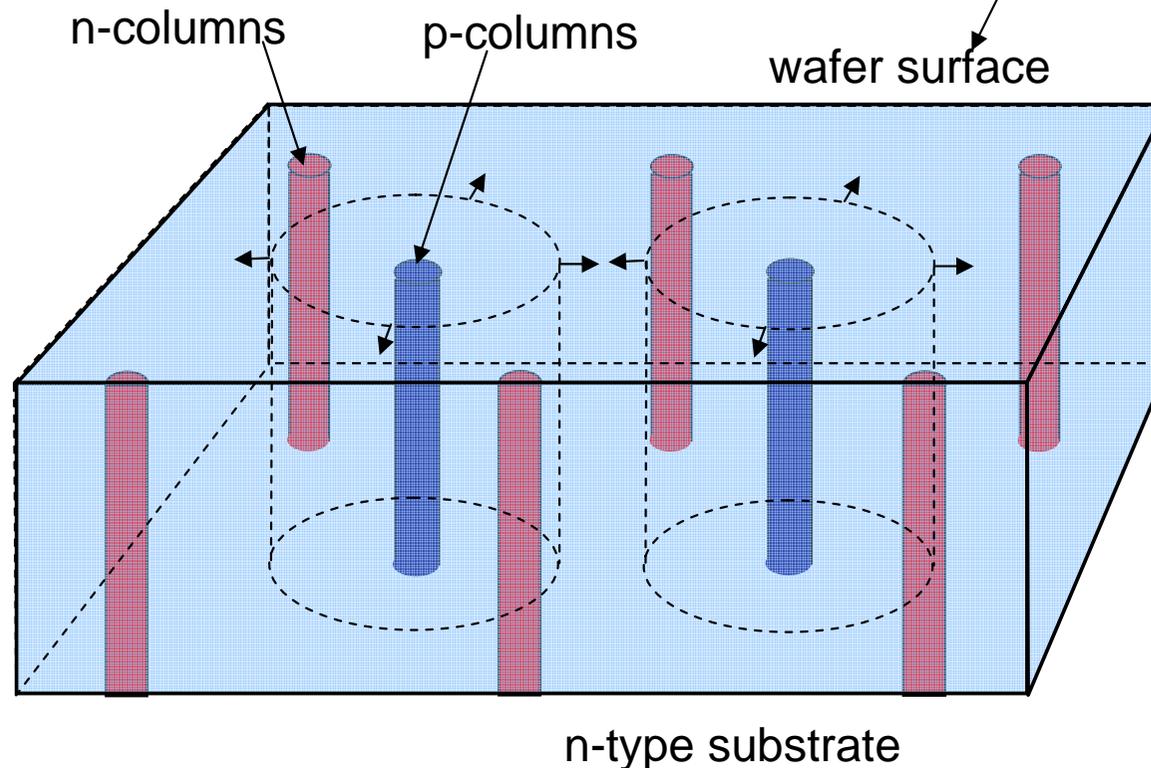
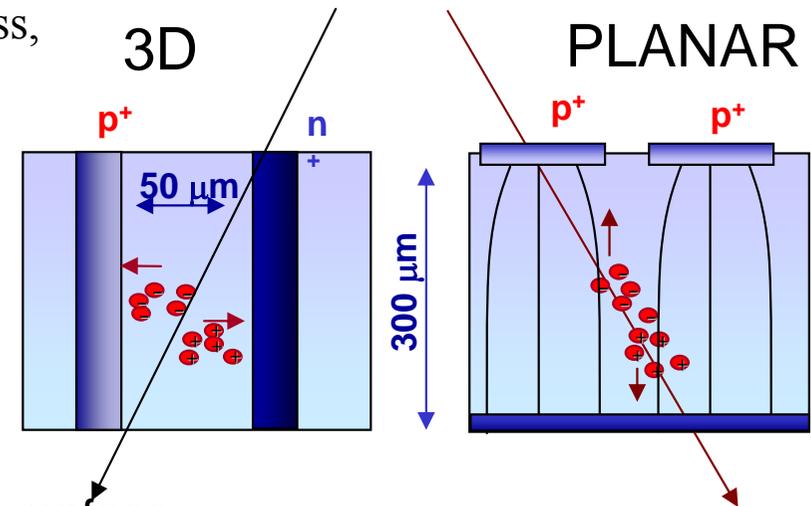
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- **no reverse annealing in CCE measurements for neutron and proton irradiated detectors**

# 3D detector - concepts

Introduced by: S.I. Parker et al., NIMA 395 (1997) 328

- **“3D” electrodes:** - narrow columns along detector thickness,  
- diameter:  $10\mu\text{m}$ , distance:  $50 - 100\mu\text{m}$
- **Lateral depletion:** - lower depletion voltage needed  
- thicker detectors possible  
- fast signal  
- radiation hard



See lecture on  
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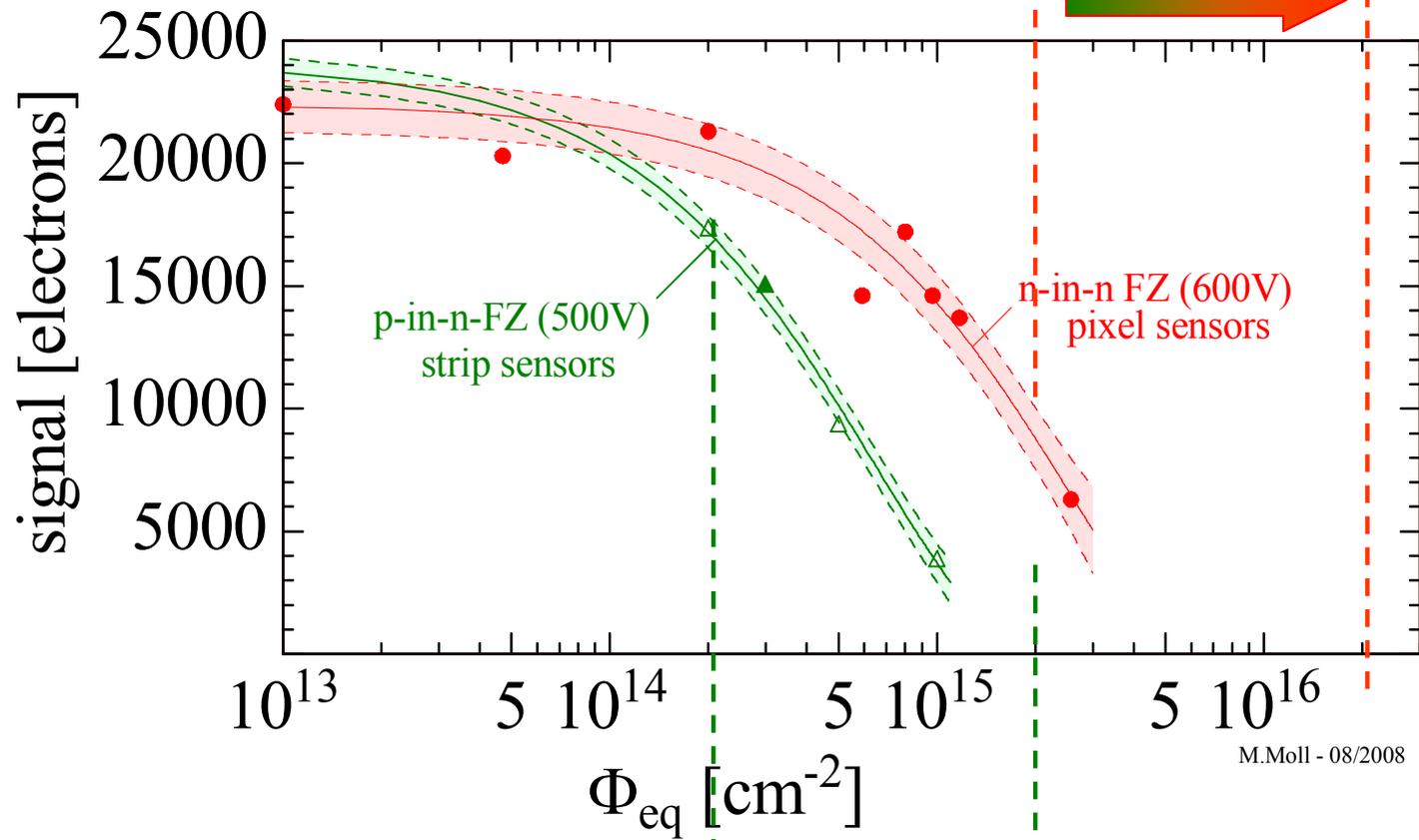
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# Signal degradation for LHC Silicon Sensors

**Pixel sensors:**

max. cumulated fluence for **LHC** and **SLHC**

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**FZ Silicon Strip and Pixel Sensors**

- n-in-n (FZ), 285 $\mu$ m, 600V, 23 GeV p
- ▲ p-in-n (FZ), 300 $\mu$ m, 500V, 23GeV p
- △ p-in-n (FZ), 300 $\mu$ m, 500V, neutrons

References:  
[1] p/n-FZ, 300 $\mu$ m, (-30°C, 25ns), strip [Casse 2008]  
[2] n/n-FZ, 285 $\mu$ m, (-10°C, 40ns), pixel [Rohe et al. 2005]

**Strip sensors:**

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**SLHC will need more radiation tolerant tracking detector concepts!**

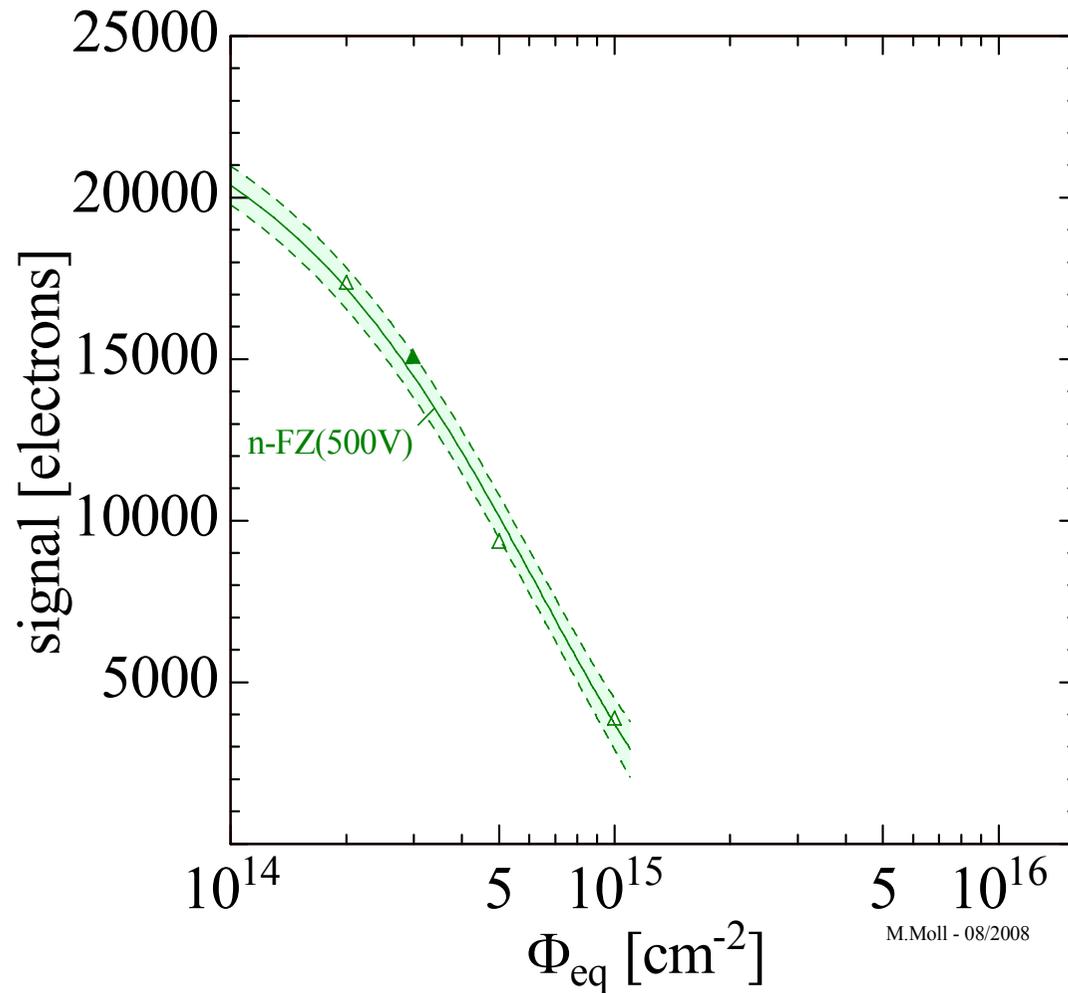
# Comparison of measured collected charge on different radiation-hard materials and devices

- **In the following:**
  - Comparison of collected charge as published in literature**
- **Be careful:**
  - Values obtained partly under different conditions !!**
    - irradiation
    - temperature of measurement
    - electronics used (shaping time, noise)
    - voltage applied to sensor
    - type of device – strip detectors or pad detectors
  - ⇒ This comparison gives only an indication of which material/technology could be used, to be more specific, the exact application should be looked at!
- **Remember:**
  - The obtained signal has still to be compared to the noise !!**

# Silicon materials for Tracking Sensors

- Signal comparison for various Silicon sensors

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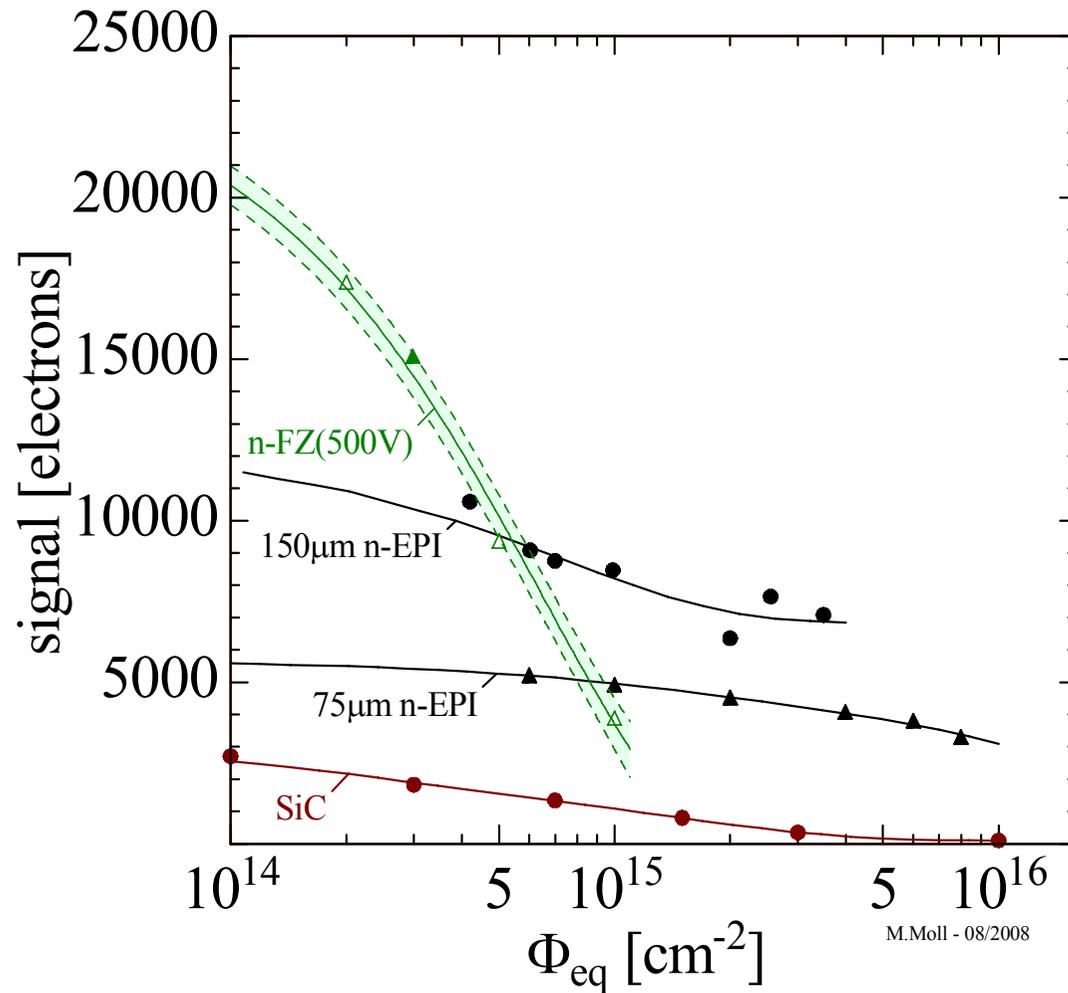
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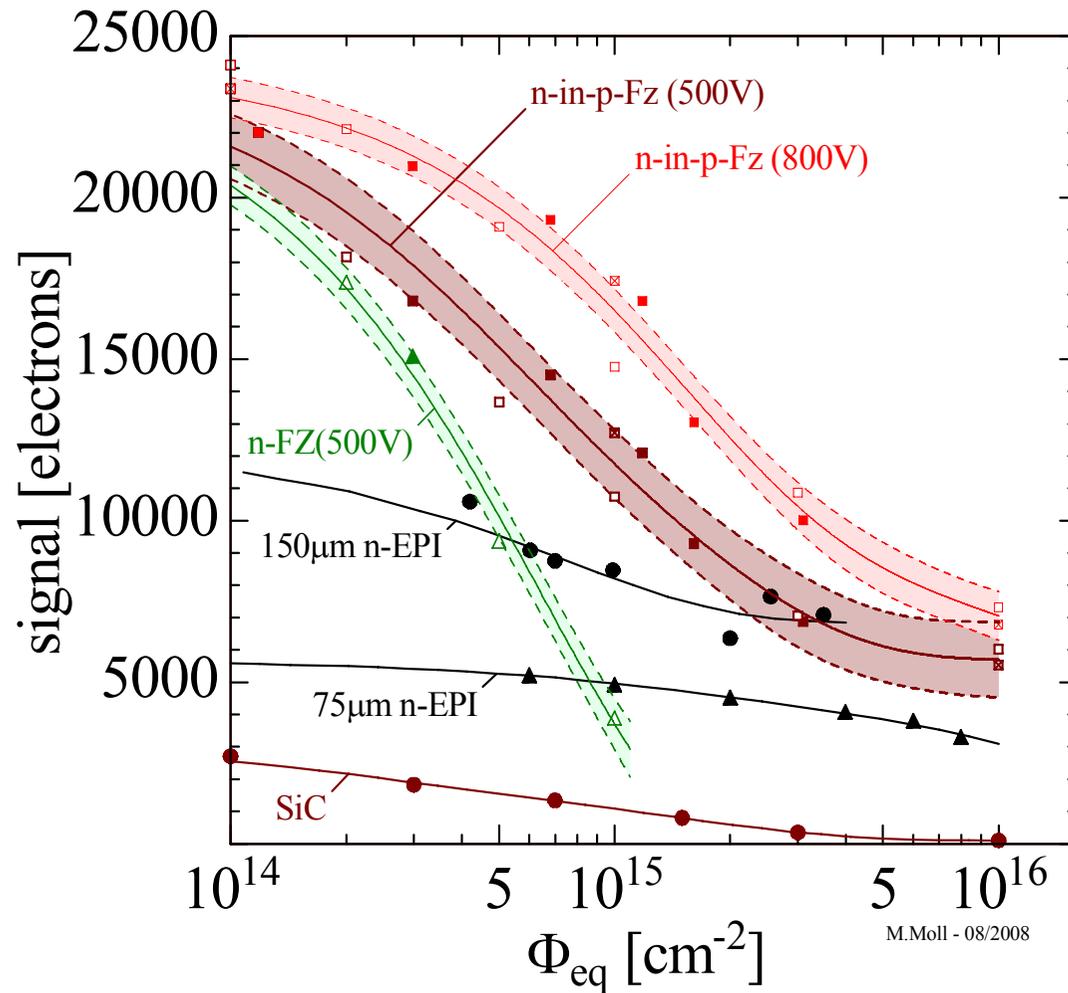
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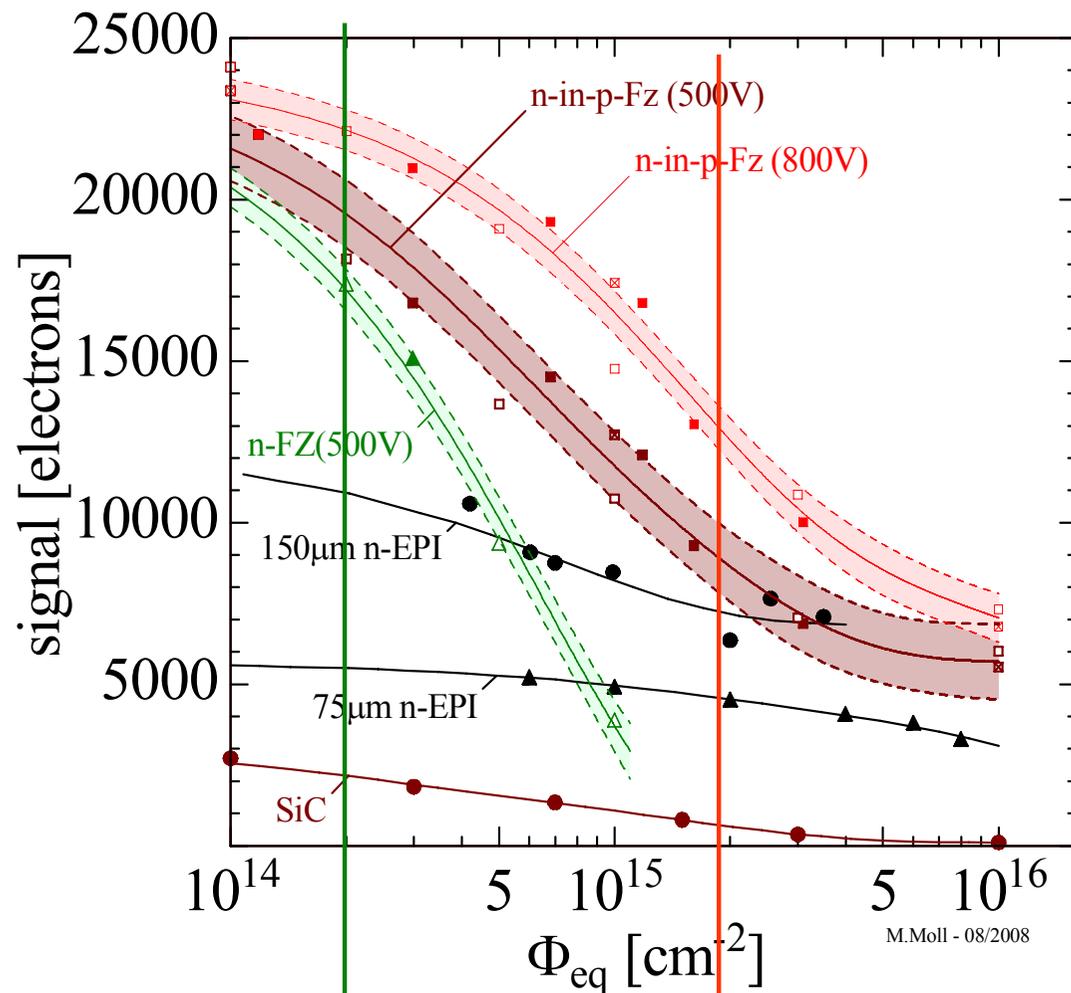
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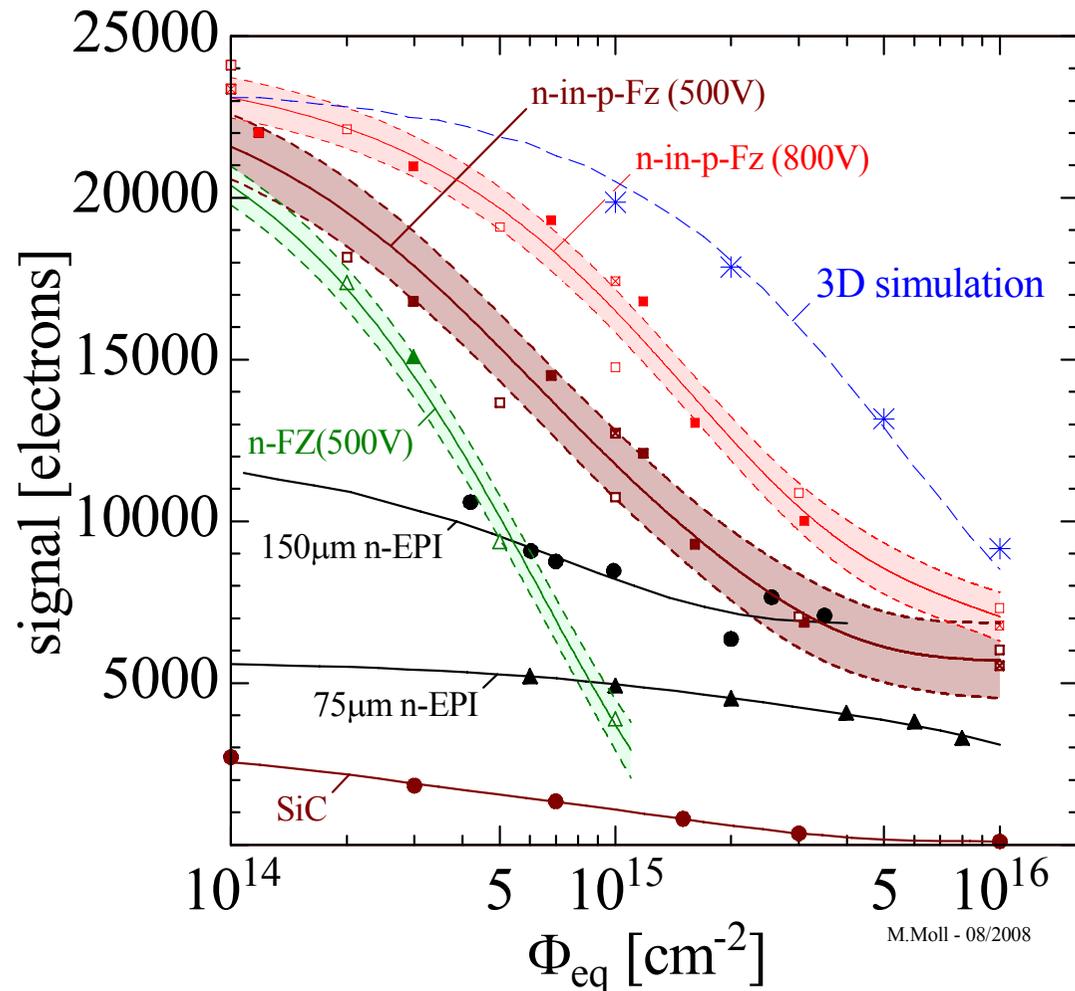
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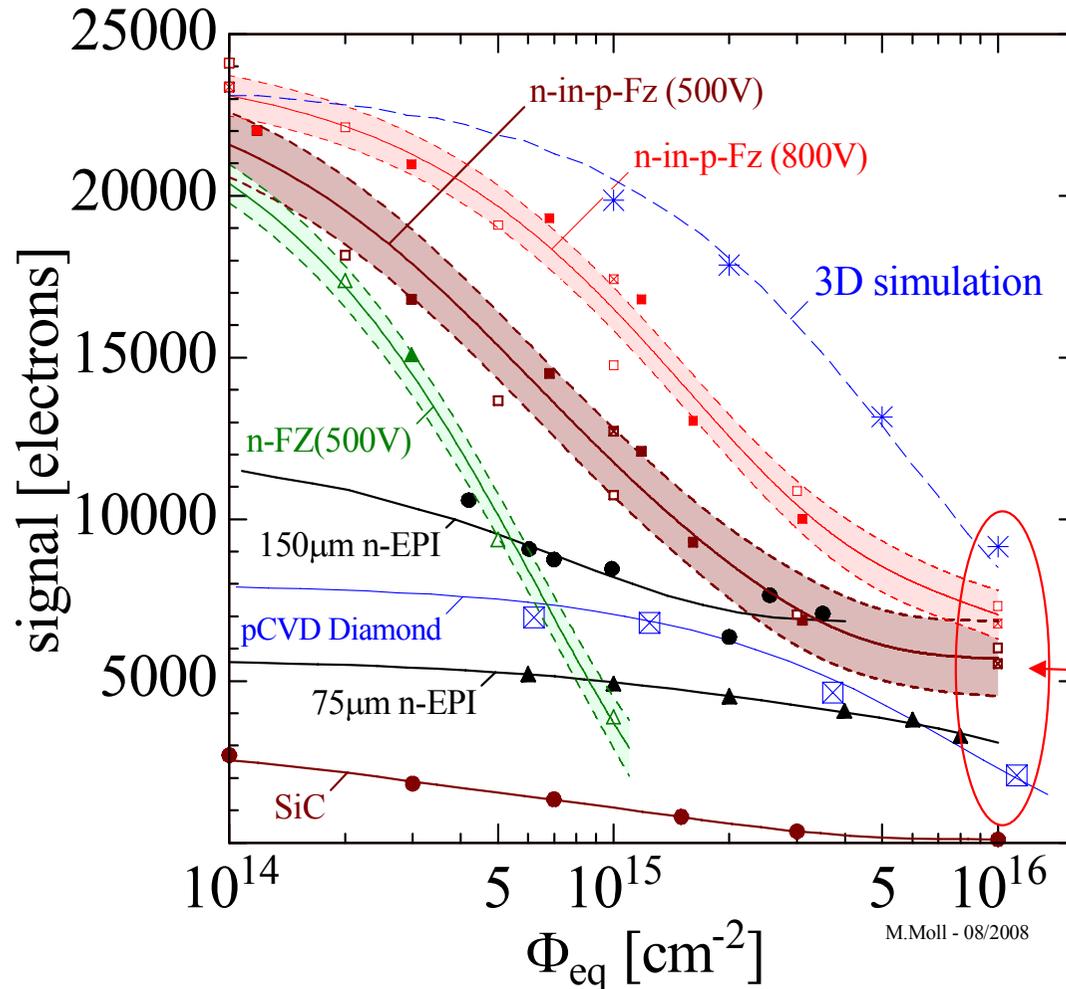
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# Summary – Radiation Damage

## ● Radiation Damage in Silicon Detectors

- Change of **Depletion Voltage** (type inversion, reverse annealing, ...) (can be influenced by defect engineering!)
- Increase of **Leakage Current** (same for all silicon materials)
- Increase of **Charge Trapping** (same for all silicon materials)

**Signal to Noise ratio** is quantity to watch (material + geometry + electronics)

## ● Microscopic defects (→ see lecture of M.Bruzzi)

- Good understanding of damage after  $\gamma$ -irradiation (point defects)
- Damage after hadron damage still to be better understood (cluster defects), however enormous progress in last 2 years

## ● CERN-RD50 collaboration working on:

- **Material Engineering** (Silicon: DOFZ, MCZ, EPI, ... ) (**RD42: Diamond**)
- **Device Engineering** (3D, thin sensors, n-in-p, n-in-n,..) (**RD39: Cryogenic, CI**)

⇒ **To obtain ultra radiation hard sensors a combination of material and device engineering approaches depending on radiation environment, application and available readout electronics will be best solution**

# Summary – Detectors for SLHC

- **At fluences up to  $10^{15}\text{cm}^{-2}$  (outer layers of SLHC detector):**

The change of the depletion voltage and the large area to be covered by detectors are major problems.

- **MCZ silicon detectors could be a solution (some more work needed!)**

n-MCZ no type inversion under proton irradiation, excellent performance in mixed fields due to compensation of charged hadron damage and neutron damage ( $N_{\text{eff}}$  compensation)

- **p-type silicon microstrip detectors show very encouraging results:**

$\text{CCE} \approx 6500 \text{ e}$ ;  $\Phi_{\text{eq}} = 4 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ,  $300\mu\text{m}$ , immunity against reverse annealing!

**This is presently the baseline option for the ATLAS SCT upgrade**

- **At the fluence of  $10^{16}\text{cm}^{-2}$  (Innermost layers of SLHC detector)**

The active thickness of any silicon material is significantly reduced due to trapping.

Collection of electrons at electrodes essential: Use n-in-p or n-in-n detectors!

- **Recent results show that planar silicon sensors might still give sufficient signal, still some interest in epitaxial silicon and thin sensor options**

- **3D detectors : looks promising, drawback: technology has to be optimized!**

Many collaborations and sensor producers working on this.

- **SiC and GaN have been characterized and abandoned by RD50.**

- **Diamond has become an interesting option for the innermost pixel layers**

**Further information: RD50 ( <http://cern.ch/rd50/>), RD42, RD39**