

**-CERN-RD50 project –  
Development of radiation hard sensors for very high luminosity colliders  
STATUS REPORT 2004**

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**OUTLINE**

- **The RD50 collaboration**
- **Results obtained in 2004**
- **Summary (Status Nov. 2004)**
- **Work plan for 2005**
- **Resources request for 2005**

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## RD50: Development of Radiation Hard Semiconductor Devices for High Luminosity Colliders

- **Approved as RD50 by CERN in June 2002**
- **Main objective:**

**Development of ultra-radiation hard semiconductor detectors for the luminosity upgrade of the LHC to  $10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  (“Super-LHC”).**

**Challenges:** - **Radiation hardness up to  $10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  required**

- **Fast signal collection** (Going from 25ns to 10 ns bunch crossing ?)
- **Low mass** (reducing multiple scattering close to interaction point)
- **Cost effectiveness** (big surfaces have to be covered with detectors!)

- **Presently 252 Members from 50 Institutes**

**Belarus** (Minsk), **Belgium** (Louvain), **Canada** (Montreal), **Czech Republic** (Prague (2x)), **Finland** (Helsinki, Lappeenranta), **Germany** (Berlin, Dortmund, Erfurt, Hamburg, Karlsruhe), **Israel** (Tel Aviv), **Italy** (Bari, Bologna, Florence, Padova, Perugia, Pisa, Trento, Trieste, Turin), **Lithuania** (Vilnius), **Norway** (Oslo (2x)), **Poland** (Warsaw), **Romania** (Bucharest (2x)), **Russia** (Moscow, St.Petersburg), **Slovenia** (Ljubljana), **Spain** (Barcelona, Valencia), **Switzerland** (CERN, PSI), **Ukraine** (Kiev), **United Kingdom** (Exeter, Glasgow, Lancaster, Liverpool, Sheffield, University of Surrey), **USA** (Fermilab, Purdue University, Rochester University, Rutgers University, SCIPP Santa Cruz, Syracuse University, BNL, University of New Mexico)

## Scientific strategies:

- I. Material engineering**
- II. Device engineering**
- III. Variation of detector operational conditions**

- 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, Epitaxial silicon
- *Oxygen dimer enriched silicon*
- *Hydrogen enriched silicon*
- *Pre-irradiated silicon*
- *Influence of processing technology (“Technotest”)*

- New Materials

- *Silicon Carbide (SiC)*
- *Gallium Nitride (GaN)*

**Diamond:**  
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- Device Engineering (New Detector Designs)

- p-type silicon detectors (n-in-p)
- *Thin detectors*
- 3D detectors
- Semi 3D detectors
- *Cost effective detectors*
- *Simulation of highly irradiated detectors*

**CERN-RD39**  
**“Cryogenic Tracking Detectors”**

| Material                                | Symbol | $\rho$ ( $\Omega\text{cm}$ ) | $[\text{O}_i]$ ( $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ) |
|---|--------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Standard n- or p-type FZ                | FZ     | $1-7 \times 10^3$            | $< 5 \times 10^{16}$                |
| Diffusion oxygenated FZ, n- or p-type   | DOFZ   | $1-7 \times 10^3$            | $\sim 1-2 \times 10^{17}$           |
| Czochralski Sumitomo, Japan             | Cz     | $\sim 1 \times 10^3$         | $\sim 8-9 \times 10^{17}$           |
| Magnetic Czochralski Okmetic, Finland   | MCz    | $\sim 1 \times 10^3$         | $\sim 4-9 \times 10^{17}$           |
| Epitaxial layers on Cz-substrates, ITME | EPI    | 50 - 100                     | $< 1 \times 10^{17}$                |

- **CZ and MCZ silicon:**

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

- **Epi silicon**

- $\text{O}_i$  and  $\text{O}_{2i}$  content due to out-diffusion from the CZ substrate (inhomogeneous)
- thin layers: high doping possible (low starting resistivity)

## 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)

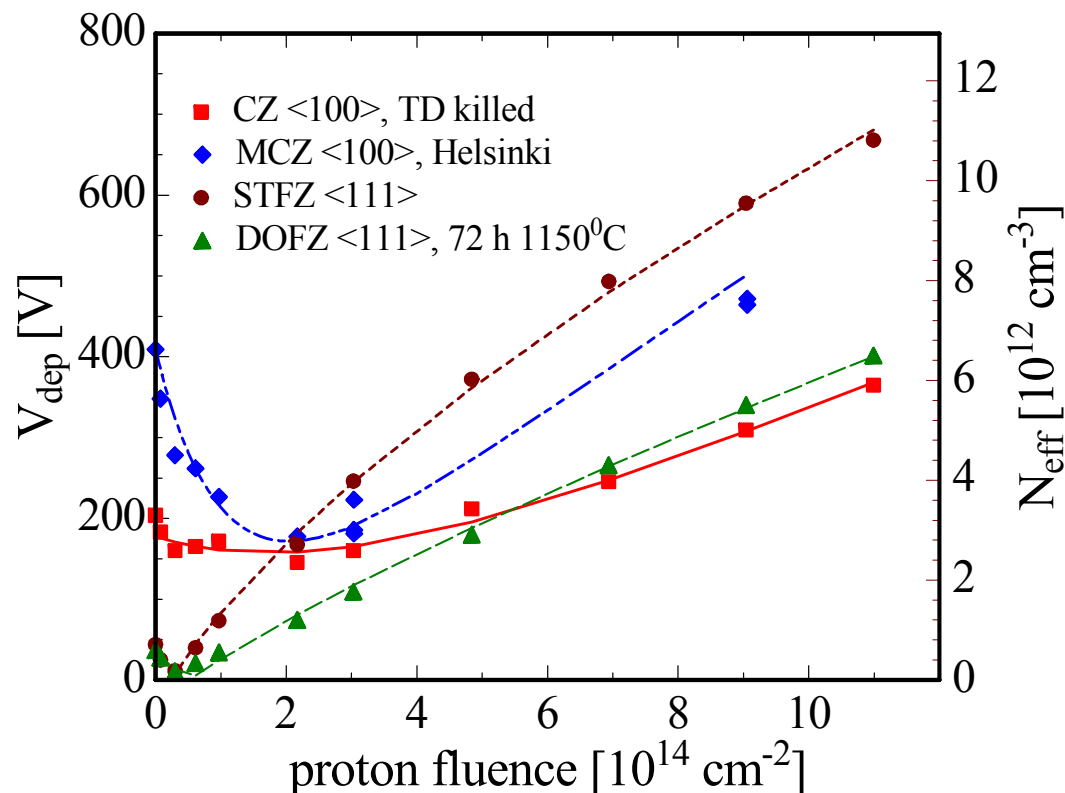
- type inversion at  $\sim 2 \times 10^{13}$  p/cm<sup>2</sup>
- reduced  $N_{\text{eff}}$  increase at high fluence

### • CZ silicon and MCZ silicon

- no type inversion in the overall fluence range (verified by TCT measurements)  
 $\Rightarrow$  donor generation overcompensates acceptor generation in high fluence range

### • Common to all materials:

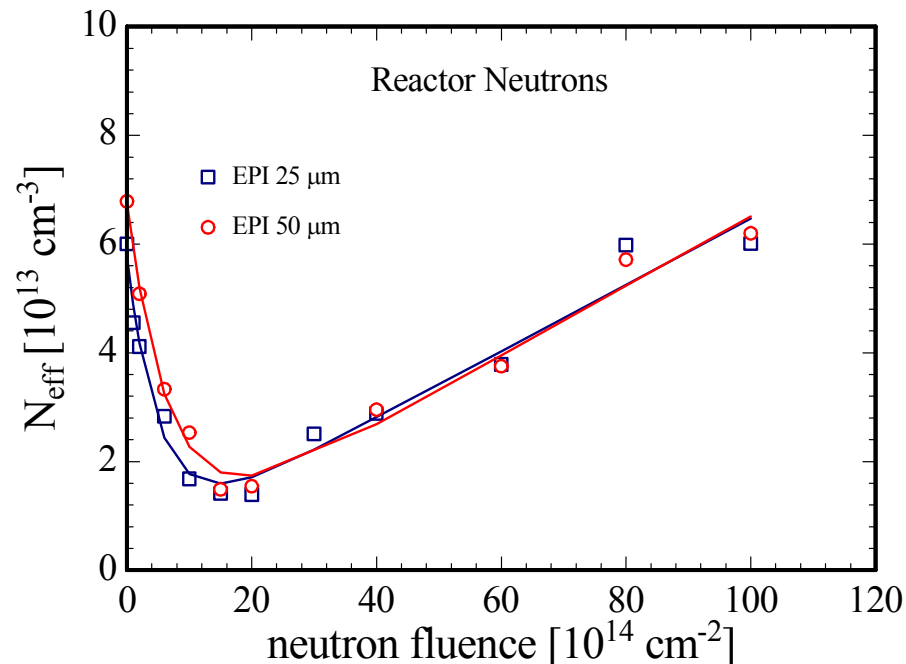
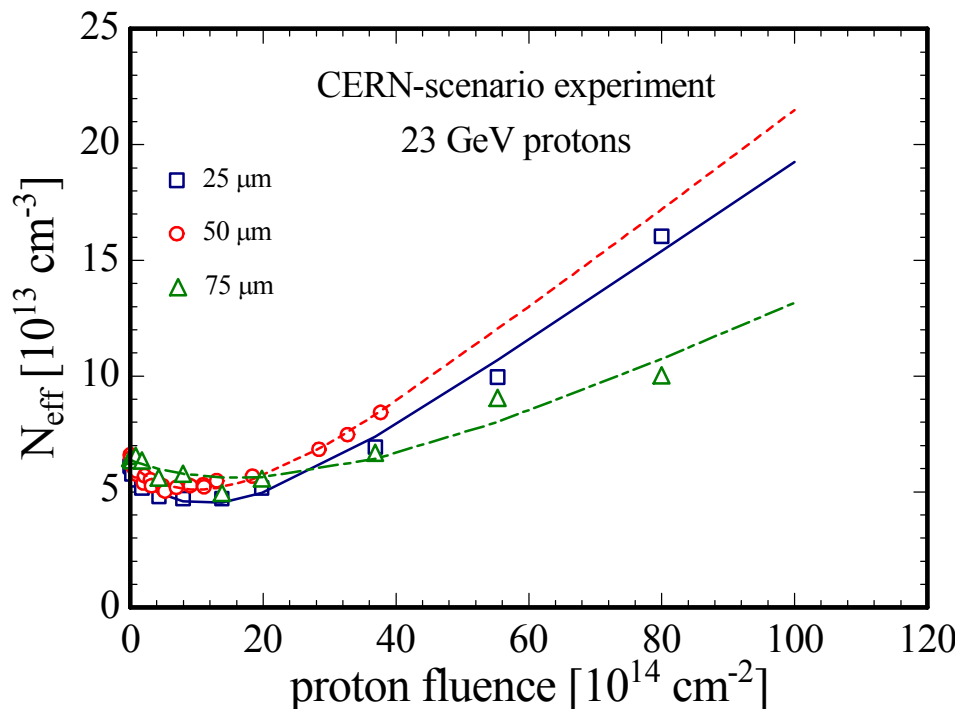
- same reverse current increase
- same increase of trapping (electrons and holes) within  $\sim 20\%$



- **Epitaxial silicon grown by ITME**

*E. Fretwurst, Univ. Hamburg, RESMDD04, October 2004*

- **Layer thickness: 25, 50, 75  $\mu\text{m}$ ; resistivity:  $\sim 50 \Omega\text{cm}$**
- **Oxygen:  $[\text{O}] \approx 9 \times 10^{16} \text{cm}^{-3}$ ; Oxygen dimers (detected via  $\text{IO}_2$ -defect formation)**



- **Development of  $N_{\text{eff}}$  nearly identical for 25  $\mu\text{m}$  and 50  $\mu\text{m}$**
- **No type inversion** in the full range up to  $\sim 10^{16} \text{p/cm}^2$  and  $\sim 10^{16} \text{n/cm}^2$
- **Proposed explanation:**  
introduction of shallow donors bigger than generation of deep acceptors

- **2003:** Major breakthrough on  $\gamma$ -irradiated samples
  - For the first time macroscopic changes of the depletion voltage and leakage current can be explained by electrical properties of measured defects ! [APL, 82, 2169, March 2003]
- **2004:** Big step in understanding the improved radiation tolerance of oxygen enriched and epitaxial silicon after proton irradiation

[I.Pintilie, RESMDD, Oct.2004]

Levels responsible for depletion voltage changes after proton irradiation:

Almost independent of oxygen content:

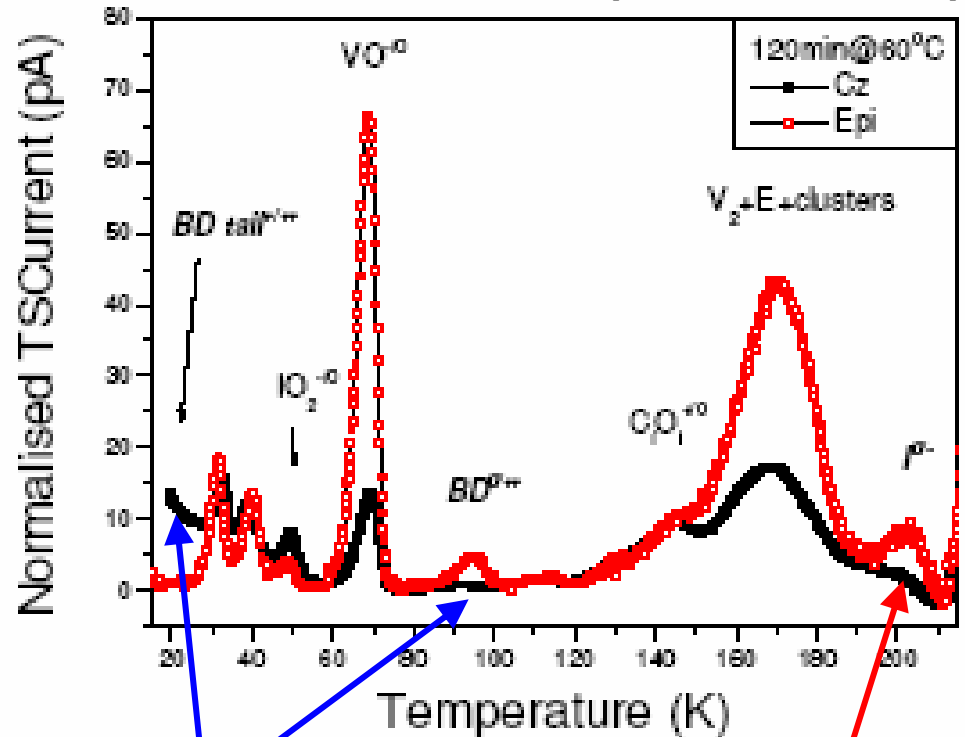
- Donor removal
- “Cluster damage”  $\Rightarrow$  negative charge

Influenced by initial oxygen content:

- **I-defect:** deep acceptor level at  $E_C - 0.54\text{eV}$  (good candidate for the  $V_2O$  defect)  $\Rightarrow$  negative charge

Influenced by initial oxygen dimer content (?):

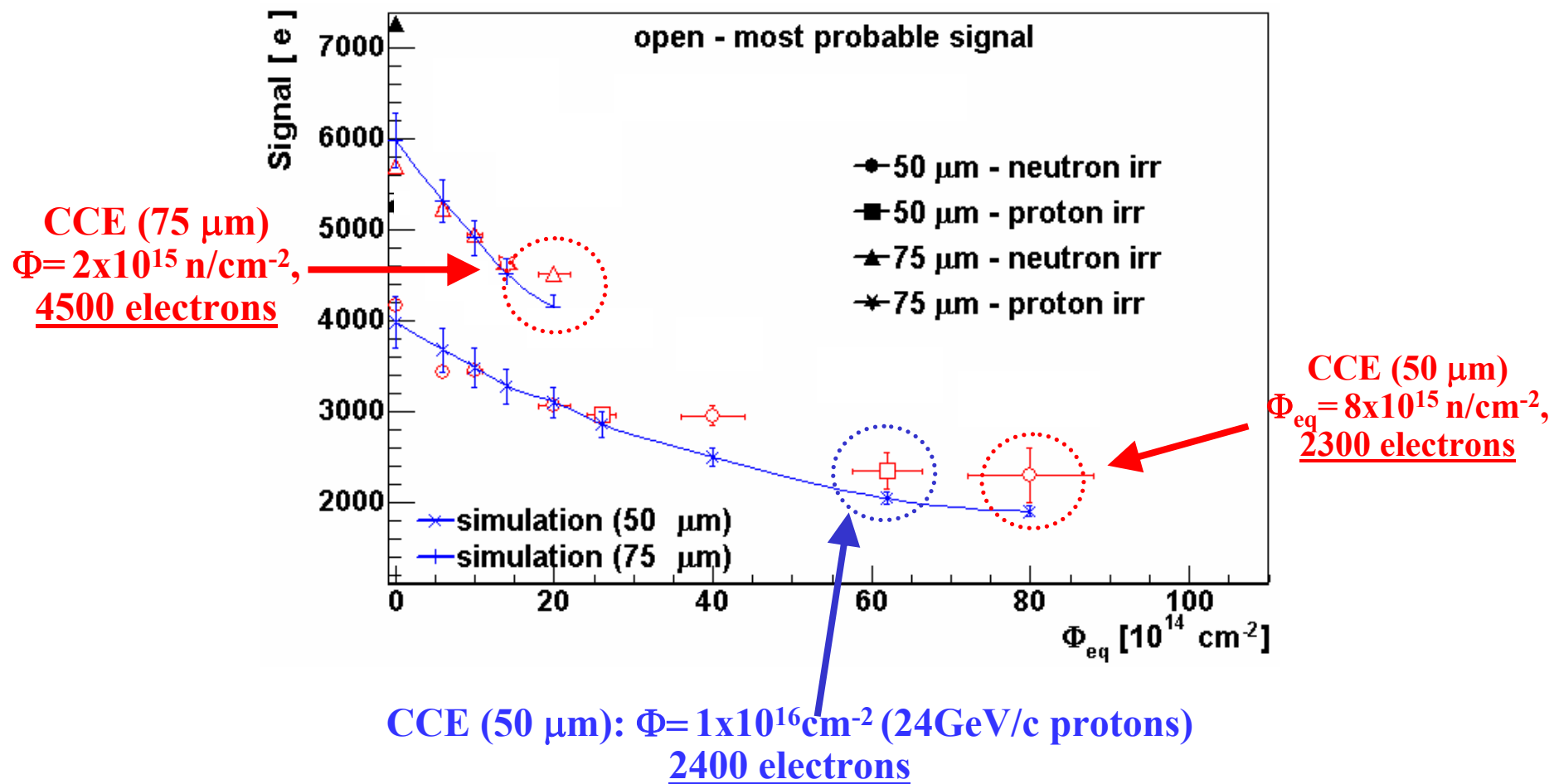
- **BD-defect:** bistable shallow thermal donor (formed via oxygen dimers  $O_{2i}$ )  $\Rightarrow$  positive charge



BD-defect

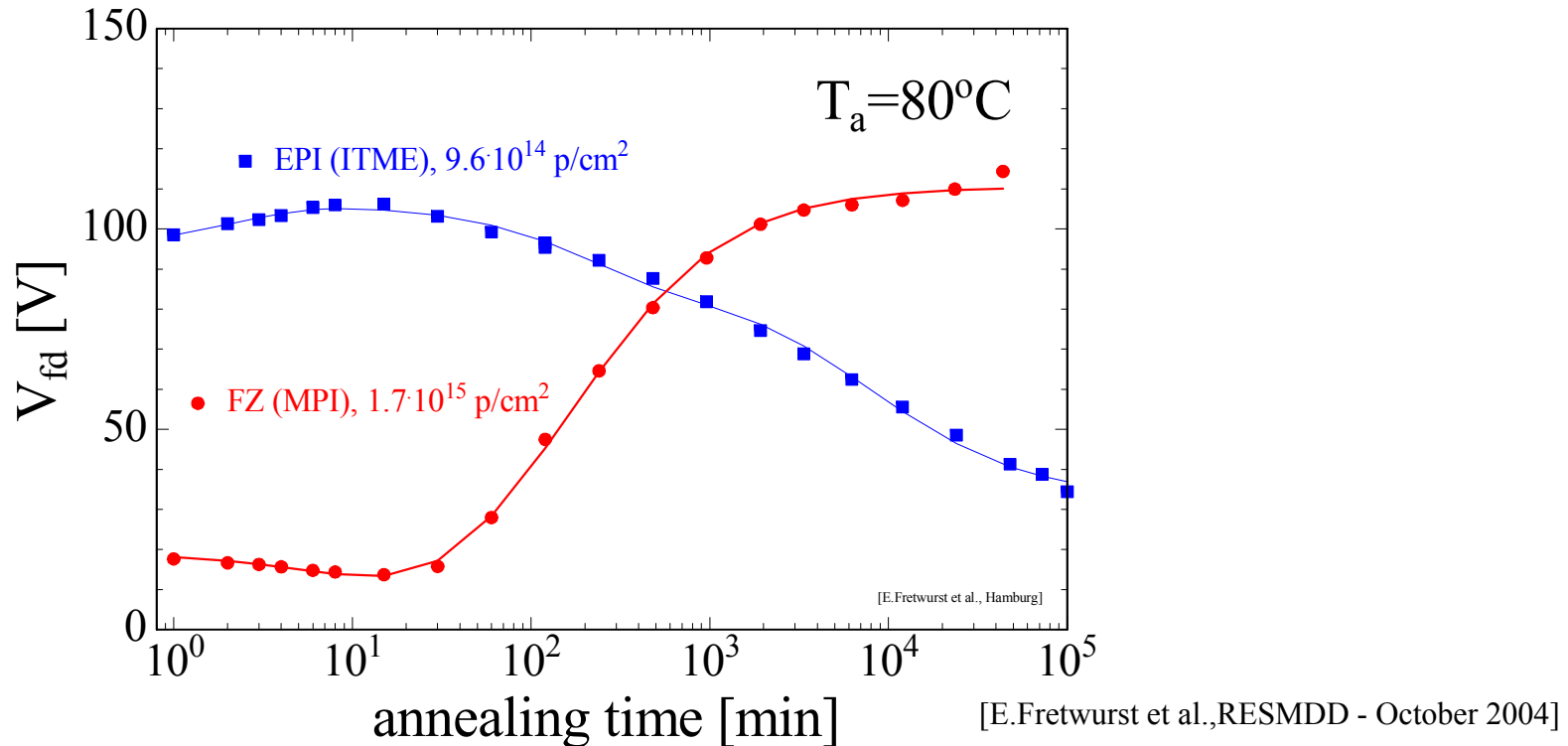
I-defect

- Epitaxial silicon: CCE measured with beta particles ( $^{90}\text{Sr}$ )
  - 25ns shaping time
  - proton and neutron irradiations of 50  $\mu\text{m}$  and 75  $\mu\text{m}$  epi layers





- 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)

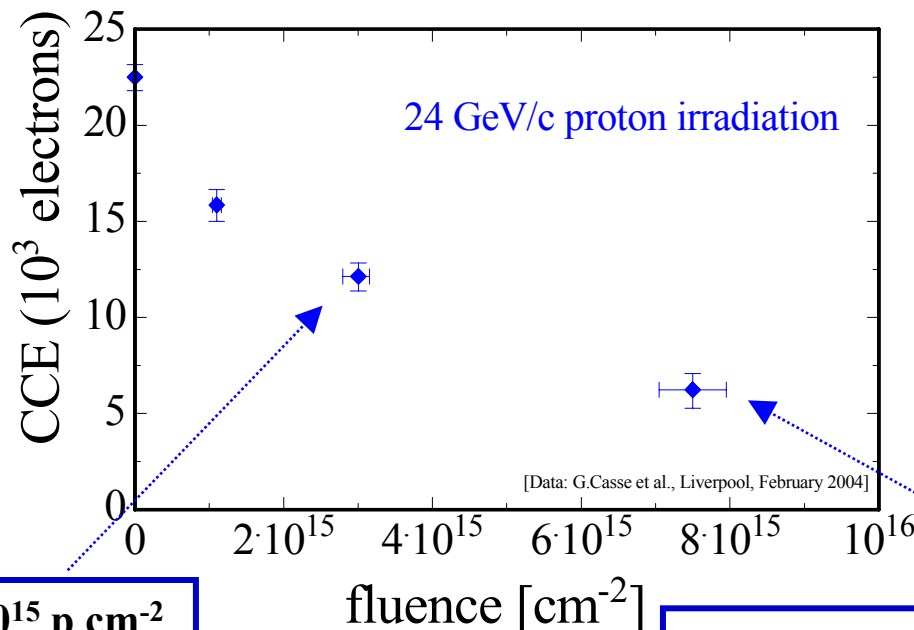


- **Thin FZ silicon:** Type inverted, increase of depletion voltage with time
- **Epitaxial silicon:** No type inversion, decrease of depletion voltage with time  
 ⇒ No need for low temperature during maintenance of SLHC detectors!



**n-in-p:** - no type inversion, high electric field stays on structured side,  
- collection of electrons

- Miniature n-in-p microstrip detectors (280 $\mu$ m)
- Detectors read-out with LHC speed (40MHz) chip (SCT128A)
- Material: standard p-type and oxygenated (DOFZ) p-type
- Irradiation:



G. Casse et al., Feb 2004

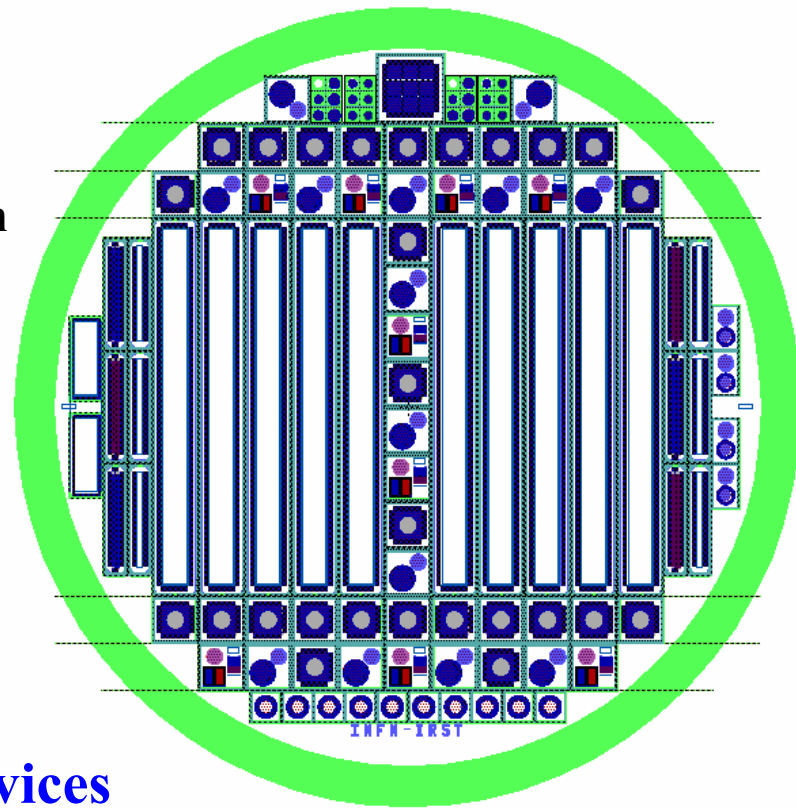
CCE ~ 60% after  $3 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ p cm}^{-2}$   
at 900V (standard p-type)

CCE ~ 30% after  $7.5 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ p cm}^{-2}$   
900V (oxygenated p-type)

**At the highest fluence  $Q \sim 6500e$  at  $V_{\text{bias}} = 900V$**

- **SMART – mask (Italian RD50 groups)**

- 10 mini-strip (0.6x4.7cm<sup>2</sup>, 50 and 100  $\mu$ m pitch, AC coupled)
- 37 pad diodes and various test structures
- Wafers processed by IRST, Trento on:  
n-type: MCZ, CZ, FZ, EPI (p-in-n)  
p-type: MCZ, FZ (n-in-p)



- **RD50 common mask for segmented devices**

- 26 mini-strip (1x1cm<sup>2</sup>, 100 strips, 80 $\mu$ m pitch, AC coupled)
- 12 pixel detectors, 20 pad diodes and various test structures
- Mask produced, wafer processing with CNM Barcelona and Micron, U.K. planned for 2005

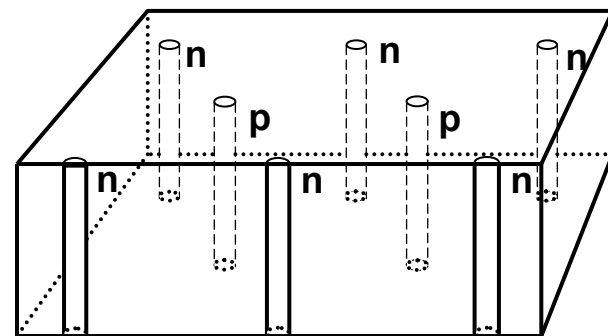
- **Electrodes:**

- narrow columns along detector thickness-“3D”
- diameter:  $10\mu\text{m}$  distance:  $50 - 100\mu\text{m}$

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

- **Lateral depletion:**

- lower depletion voltage needed
- thicker detectors possible
- fast signal



- **Hole processing :**

- Dry etching, Laser drilling, Photo Electro Chemical
- Present aspect ratio (RD50) 30:1

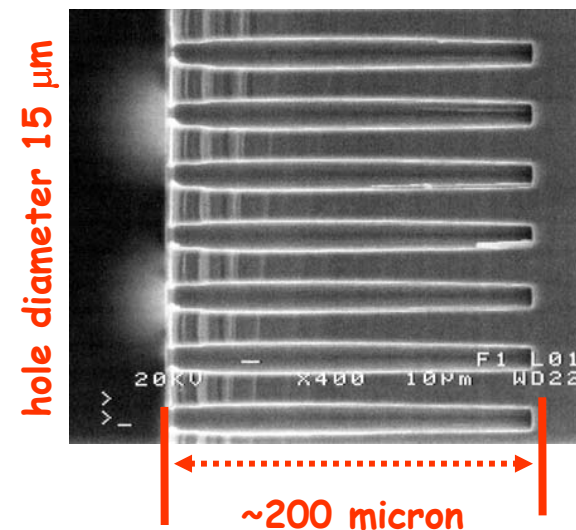
### 3D detector developments within RD50:

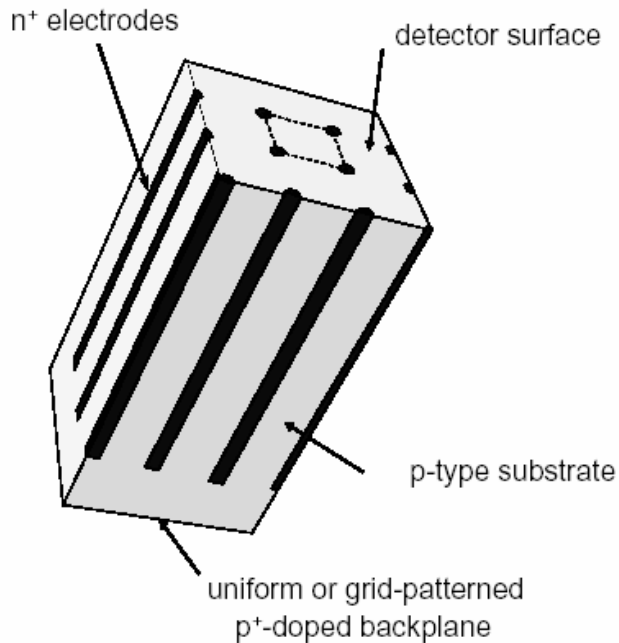
#### 1) Glasgow University – pn junction & Schottky contacts

Irradiation tests up to  $5 \times 10^{14}$  p/cm<sup>2</sup> and  $5 \times 10^{14}$  π/cm<sup>2</sup>:  
 $V_{fd} = 19\text{V}$  (inverted); CCE drop by 25% (α-particles)

#### 2) IRST-Trento and CNM Barcelona (since 2003)

CNM: Hole etching (DRIE); IRST: all further processing  
 diffused contacts or doped polysilicon deposition





- **Simplified 3D architecture**

- n<sup>+</sup> columns in p-type substrate, p<sup>+</sup> backplane
- operation similar to standard 3D detector

- **Simplified process**

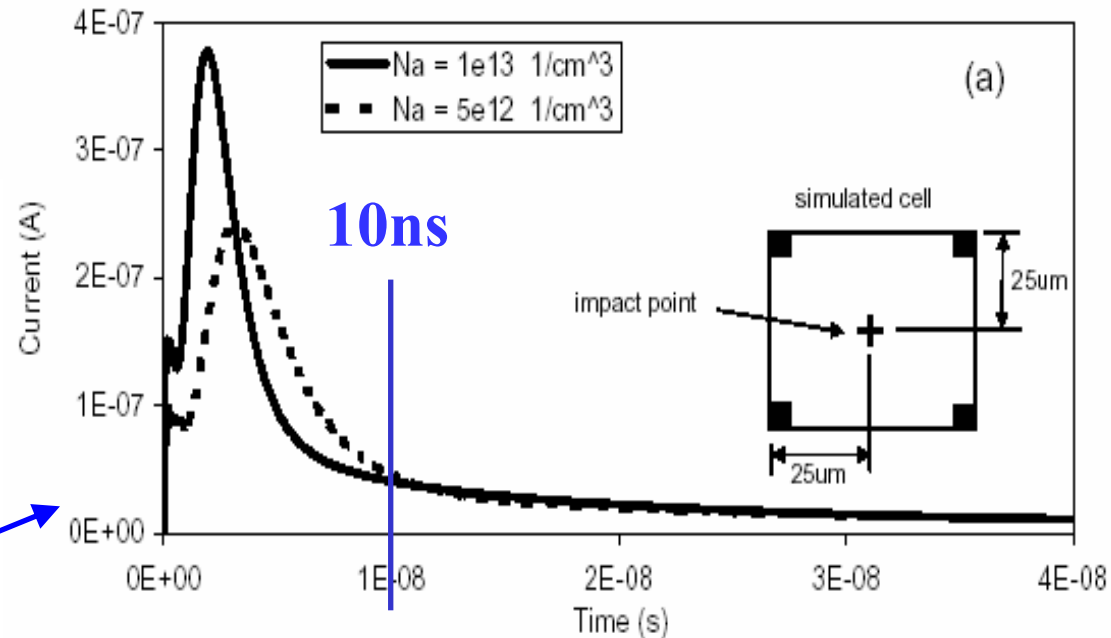
- hole etching and doping only done once
- no wafer bonding technology needed

- **Fabrication planned for 2005**

- INFN/Trento funded project: collaboration between IRST, Trento and CNM Barcelona

- **Simulation**

- **CCE within < 10 ns**
- worst case shown (hit in middle of cell)



Z. Li et al. NIMA478, (2002), 303-310

- **Single sided process**

- $p^+$  and  $n^+$  strips implanted
- n-type substrate
- $n^+$  implanted backside

- **Processing of first prototypes completed at BNL**

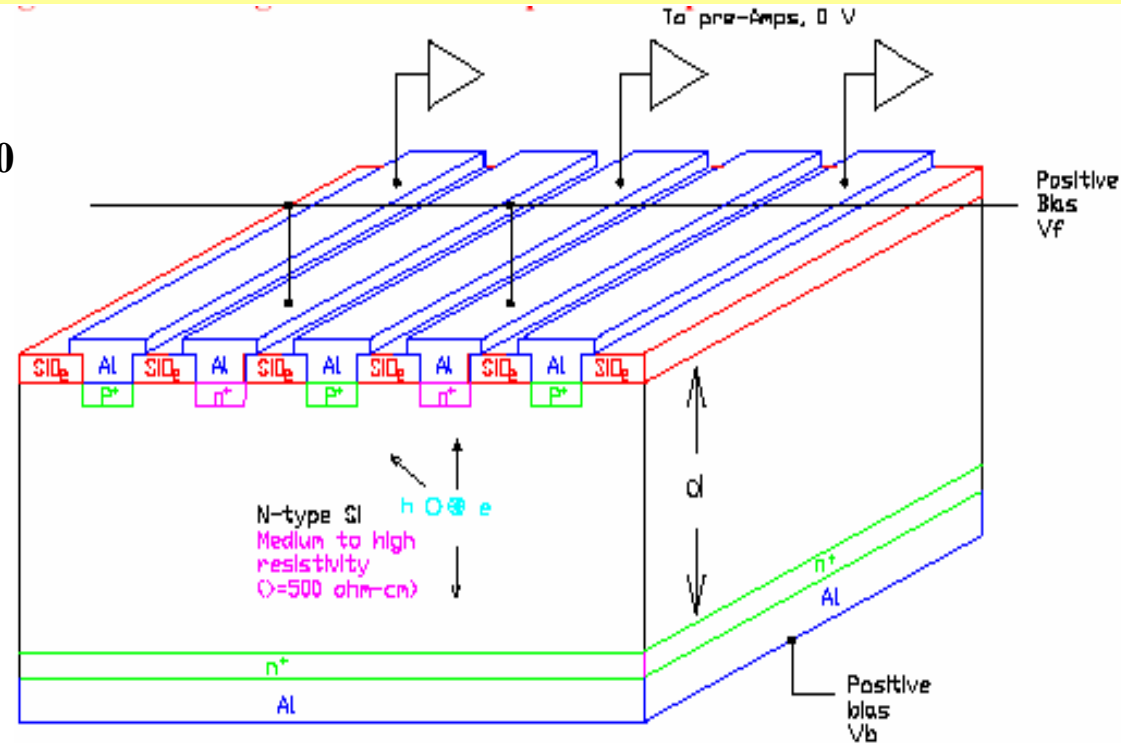
- **First irradiation tests performed**

- Irradiation  $5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  (24 GeV/c and 200 MeV protons)
- **Large reduction of depletion voltage after type inversion observed**

Standard detector:  $V_{\text{dep}} = \sim 370 \text{ V}$

Semi-3D detector:  $V_{\text{dep}} 125\text{-}150\text{V}$

- **Further tests (CCE) are under way**



- **At fluences up to  $10^{15}\text{cm}^{-2}$  (Outer layers of a SLHC detector) the change of the depletion voltage and the large area to be covered by detectors is the major problem.**
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- **At the fluence of  $10^{16}\text{cm}^{-2}$  (Innermost layer of a SLHC detector) the active thickness of any silicon material is significantly reduced due to trapping.**  
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e.g.  $2300\text{e}$  at  $\Phi_{\text{eq}} 8 \times 10^{15}\text{cm}^{-2}$ ,  $50\mu\text{m}$  EPI,  
.... thicker layers will be tested in 2005
  - 3D detectors : drawback: technology has to be optimized**  
..... steady progress within RD50
- **New Materials** like SiC and GaN have been characterized (not shown).  
**CCE tests show that these materials are not radiation harder than silicon**



## Defect and Material Characterization

Convener: B.Svensson,  
Oslo University

- **Characterization of irradiated silicon:**
  - understanding of defect clusters
  - defects in hydrogenated silicon
  - **understanding of radiation induced shallow donors**
  - **influence of oxygen dimers on radiation damage**
- SiC: study of dominant radiation-induced defects

## Defect Engineering

Convener: E.Fretwurst,  
Hamburg University

- Processing of High resistivity n- and p-type MCZ-silicon
- **Processing of epitaxial silicon layers of different thickness**
- Hydrogenation of silicon detectors
- Optimization of oxygen-dimer enriched silicon

## Pad Detector Characterization

Convener: J.Harkoenen,  
HIP Helsinki

- Characterization (IV, CV, **CCE with  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -particles**) of test structures produced with the common RD50 masks
- Common irradiation program with fluences up to  $10^{16}\text{cm}^{-2}$

## New Materials

Convener: J.Vaitkus,  
Vilnius University

- **Consolidation of the results regarding the observed limitation in CCE after irradiation**

### New Structures

- **Production of 3D detectors made with  $n^+$  columnar electrodes in p-type substrate**
- Production of 3D devices with both P and B doping
- **Measurement of charge collection before and after irradiation of the processed 3D detectors**
- Evaluate charge collection before and after irradiation of semi-3D detectors with LHC like electronics.
- Finalize charge collection tests of thinned detectors (50-100 $\mu$ m) up to fast hadron fluences of  $10^{16}\text{cm}^{-2}$

### Full Detector Systems

*Convener: G.Casse,  
Liverpool University*

- **Production, irradiation and test of common segmented structures (n- and p-type FZ, DOFZ, MCz and EPI)**
- Continue activities linked to LHC experiments
- Determination of the SLHC survival scenario of microstrip and pixel detectors when coupled to the available LHC speed electronics

- **Common Fund:**

RD50 has a Common Fund and **does not request any financial support.**

- **Lab space and technical support at CERN:**

As a member of the collaboration, the section PH-TA1/SD should provide (as in 2004) access to available **lab space in building 14** (characterization of irradiated detectors), **in building 28** (lab space for general work) and in the **Silicon Facility** (hall 186, clean space).

- **CERN Infrastructure:**

- One collaboration workshop in November 2005 and working group meetings.
- Keeping the RD50 office in the barrack 591

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