

# SNOGLOBE - LSM

## Run Plan



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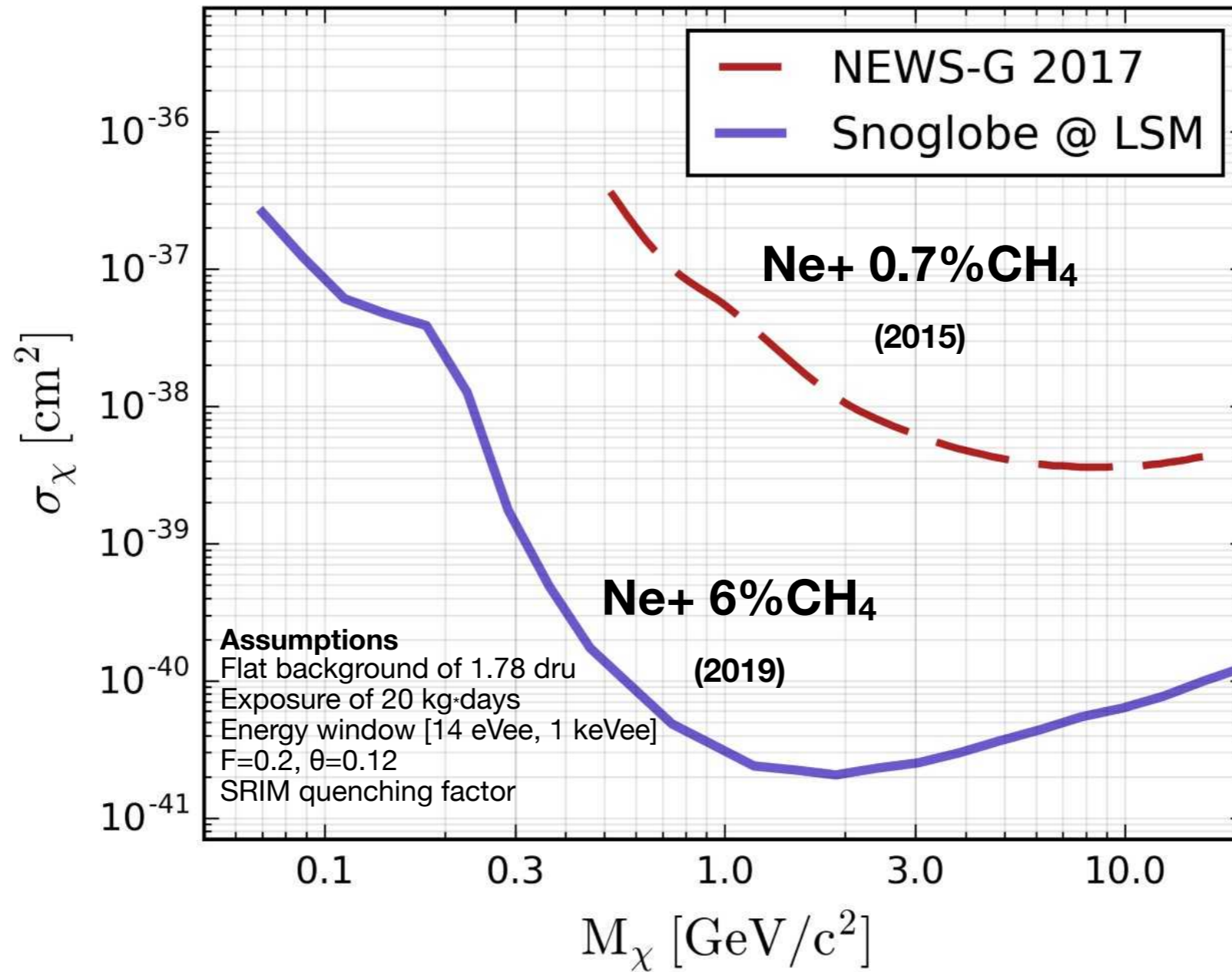
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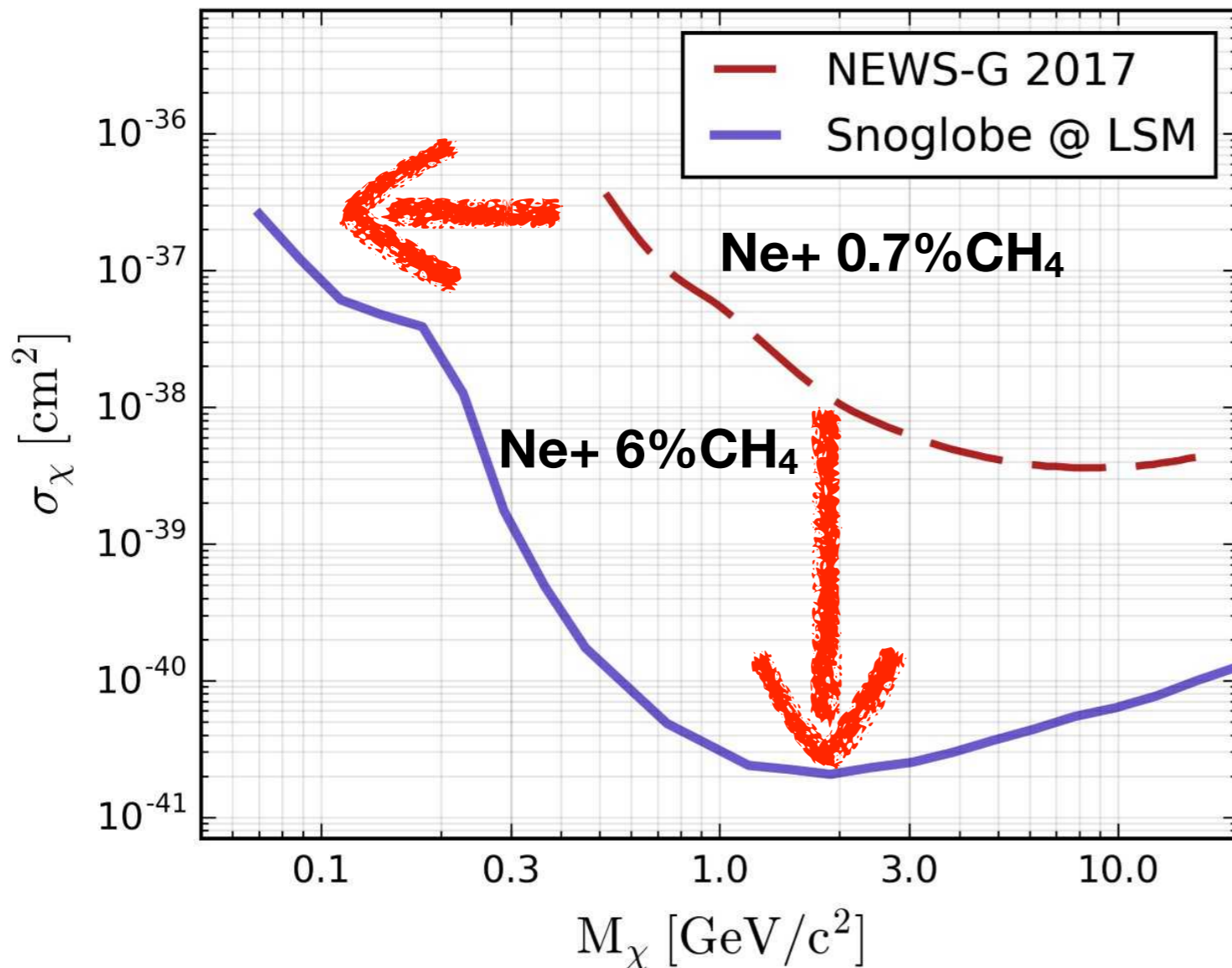


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# Our goal at LSM

Increase sensitivity with SNOGLOBE



### Assumptions

Flat background of 1.78 dru  
 Exposure of 20 kg·days  
 Energy window [14 eVee, 1 keVee]  
 $F=0.2$ ,  $\theta=0.12$   
 SRIM quenching factor

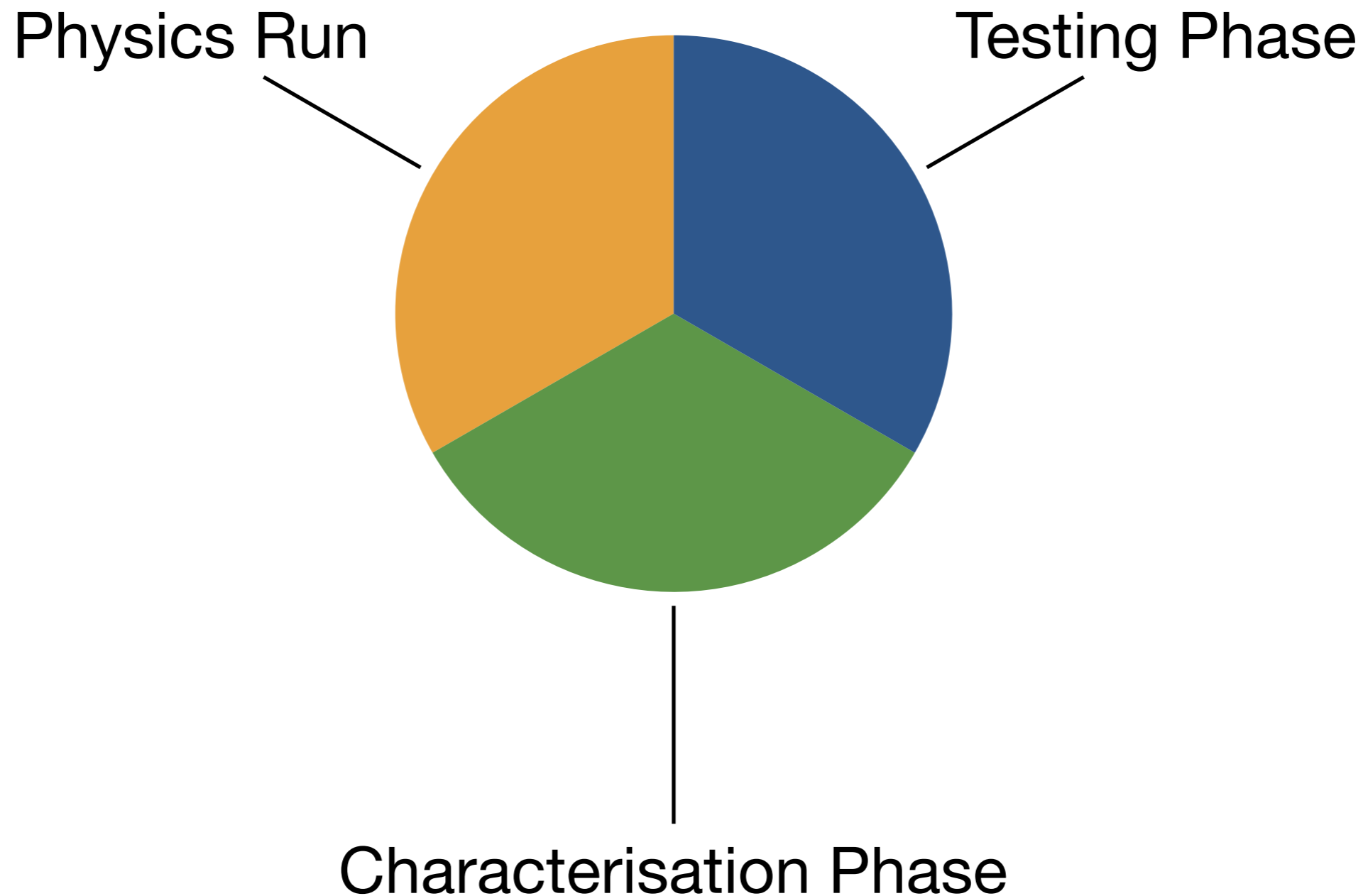
## Requirements

- A. Increase exposure
  - a. Tightness
  - b. Mass
  - c. Stability
- B. Lower background
  - a. Radio-purity
  - b. Rn-less environment
- C. Lower threshold
  - a. High gain
  - b. Rich in low A targets
  - c. Discrimination of lower energy events

# Detector Debugging

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## PHASES



# Structure of the Testing Phase

# Sensor choice

## Single anode sensor

- Familiarity
- Simple response
- Lowest noise
- Better resolution

## Multi-anode sensor

- Increased electric field
- Crucial for calibrations using the laser
- Minimises the effect of contaminants

# Ar/CH<sub>4</sub> (98/2) 250 mbar

## Single Anode Sensor

8 keV Cu  
fluorescence

Background

Alpha

Beta

Noise

Noise  
Optimisation

Resolution

Tightness

## Multi Anode Sensor

8 keV Cu  
fluorescence

Background

Alpha

Beta

Noise

Resolution



# Ne/CH<sub>4</sub> (94/6) 500 mbar

## Multi Anode Sensor

8 keV Cu  
fluorescence

8 keV high gain  
2 keV/ADU

Resolution

Noise

Fiducialisation  
Capabilities

Laser diagnostics

# Ne/CH<sub>4</sub> (94/6) 1000 mbar

## Multi Anode Sensor

8 keV Cu  
fluorescence

8 keV high gain  
2 keV/ADU

Resolution

Fiducialisation  
Capabilities

Stability  
(Laser, <sup>37</sup>Ar)

# What we will learn from the Testing Phase

- **8 keV fluorescence detection**
  - Rate - difference between sensors
  - Resolution - difference between sensors
  - Noise levels - effect of ACHINOS to noise

- **Stability**
  - Running time
  - High gain operation
  - Spark rate

- **Background**
  - Alpha rate
  - Beta rate
  - Difference between sensors

**Operational laser**

**The most important is that now we have a working detector**

# Characterisation Phase

A simple procedure after the testing phase

## Important aspects of this phase

- First use of the Getter + Rn trap filtering
- Use of  $^{37}\text{Ar}$  source required
- Laser operation is crucial
- The shielding is on during the whole duration

# Ne/CH4 (94/6) 1000 mbar (Filtered)

## Multi Anode Sensor

8 keV Cu  
fluorescence

8 keV high gain  
2 keV/ADU

Resolution

Alpha rate

Low power laser  
<G>,  $\theta$ , drift time, diffusion

## Introduction of Ar37

2.82 keV  
<sup>37</sup>Ar K-line

270 eV  
<sup>37</sup>Ar L-line

Low power laser  
F, W(270 eV)

Low power laser, <sup>22</sup>Na  
Rate study vs Gain

# What we will learn after the Characterisation Phase

- **X-ray detection**

- 8 keV
- 2.82 keV
- 270 eV

- **Filtering**

- Effect of Getter
- Resolution Improvement
- Attachment improvement
- Rn trap efficiency

- **Detector parameters**

- Resolution
- Threshold

- **Gas parameters**

- Gain
- Polya distribution
- Drift and Diffusion coefficients

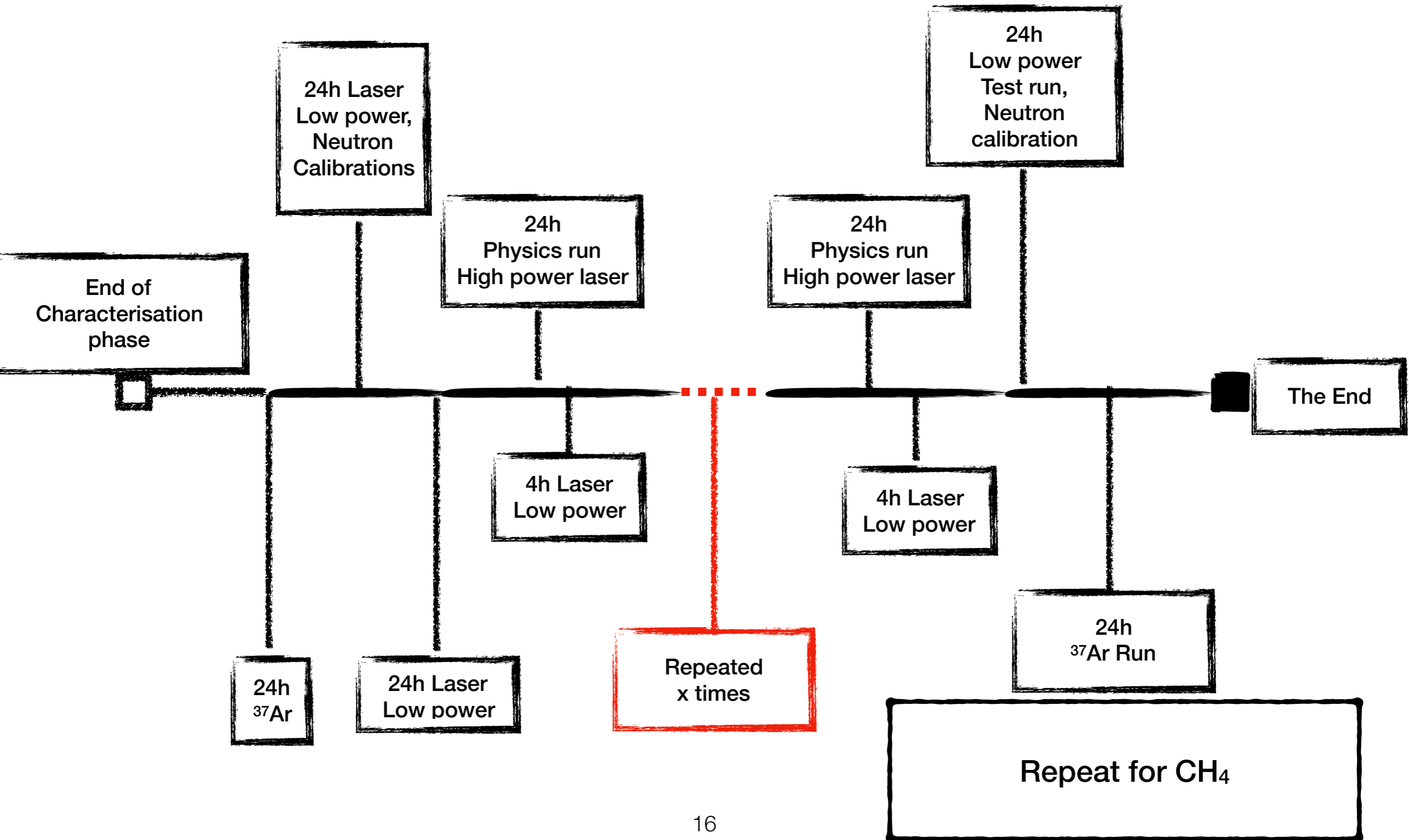
# Schedule

Test #	Phase	Commissioning #	Task	Gas Mixture	Pressure (mbar)	Purification	Tools	Starting Date	Goal
1	Single anode sensor tests	1	Locate 8 keV fluorescence	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG, Na22	29-05-2019	Confirm HV
2	Single anode sensor tests	1	Measure 8 keV resolution	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG, Na22		Resolution
3	Single anode sensor tests	1	Background measurements - Alpha	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG alpha		Measure alpha rate
4	Single anode sensor tests	1	Background measurements - beta	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG beta		Measure beta rate
5	Single anode sensor tests	1	Noise measurement	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	No source/Na22		Measure noise levels
6	Single anode sensor tests	1	Locate noise sources	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	No source/Na22		Optimise noise levels
7	Single anode sensor tests	1	Measure 8 keV resolution after noise optimisation	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG, Na22		Resolution
8	Single anode sensor tests	1	Stability - Gas conditions test	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG, Na22		Stable operation
ACHINOS and Laser Installation - Pumping									
9	ACHINOS	1	Locate 8 keV fluorescence	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG, Na22	10/06/2019	Confirm HV, check if we can see the 8 keV, compare rise time distributions
10	ACHINOS	1	Background measurements - Alpha	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG alpha		Measure alpha rate
11	ACHINOS	1	Background measurements - beta	Ar:CH4 98:2	300	None	BG beta		Measure beta rate
12	ACHINOS	1	Locate 8 keV fluorescence	Ne:CH4 96:4	500	None	BG, Na22	10/06/2019	Confirm HV, check if we can see the 8 keV
13	ACHINOS	1	High gain run (8 keV=>16000 ADU)	Ne:CH4 96:4	500	None	BG, Na22		Spark rate measurement
14	ACHINOS	1	Fiducialisation capabilities run	Ne:CH4 96:4	500	None	Na22		Discrimination efficiency for volume and surface events
15	ACHINOS	1	Laser run	Ne:CH4 96:4	500	None	Na22	16/06/2019	Confirm proper laser operation
Quick Pumping - Going to 1 bar									
16	ACHINOS	1	Locate 8 keV fluorescence	Ne:CH4 96:4	1000	None	BG, Na22		Confirm HV
17	ACHINOS	1	High gain run (8 keV=>16000 ADU)	Ne:CH4 96:4	1000	None	BG, Na22		Spark rate measurement
18	ACHINOS	1	Fiducialisation capabilities run	Ne:CH4 96:4	1000	None	BG, Na22		Discrimination efficiency for volume and surface events



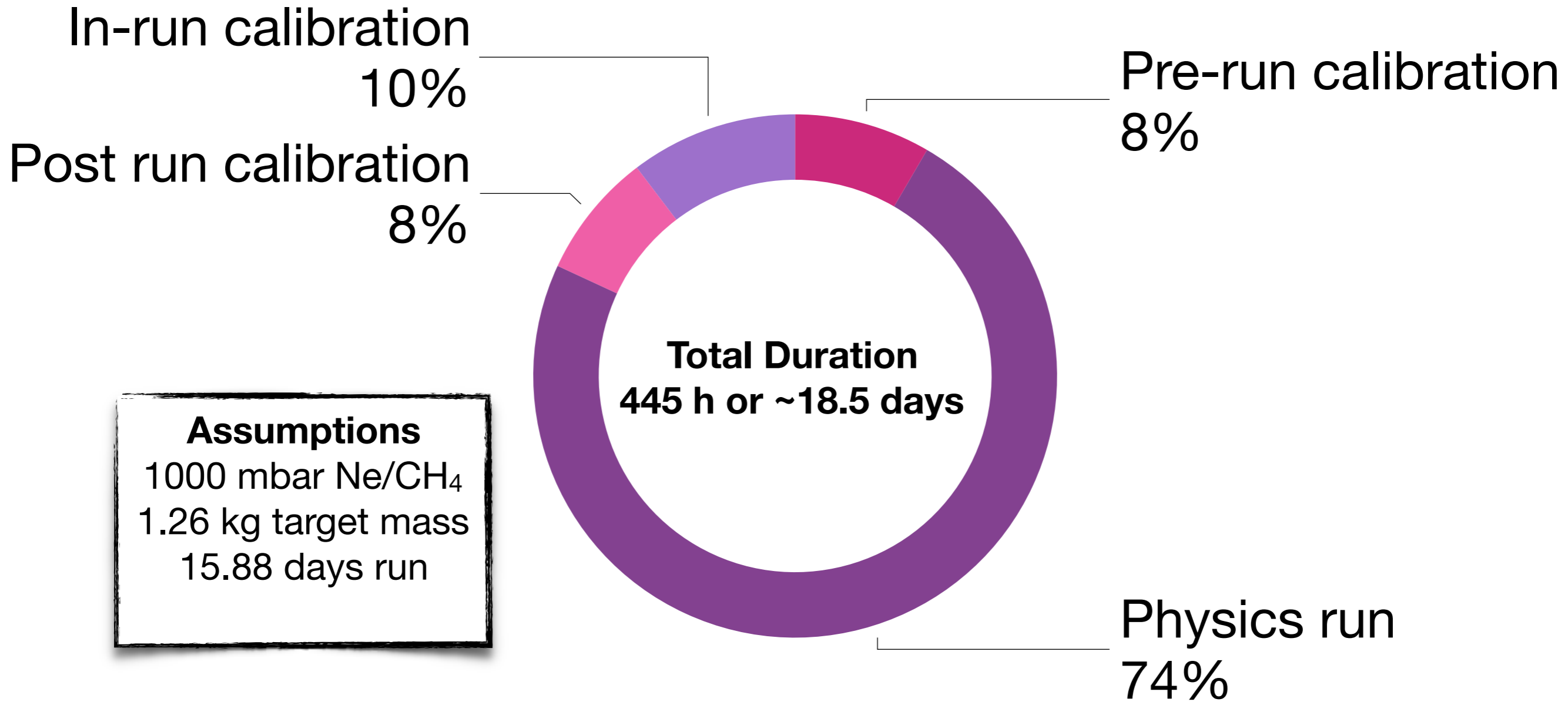
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# Physics run Procedure



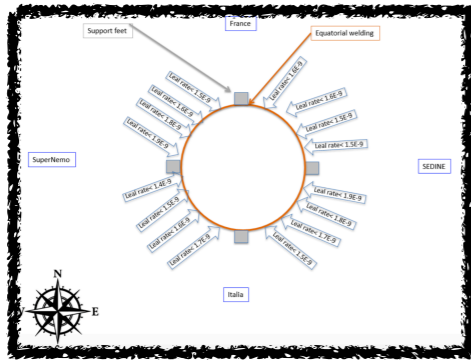


# Physics run time budget

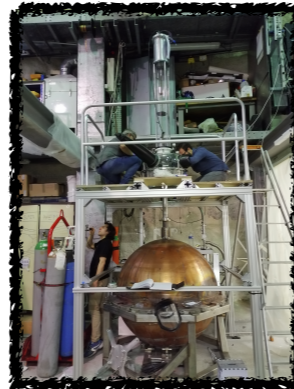


# Things that took place

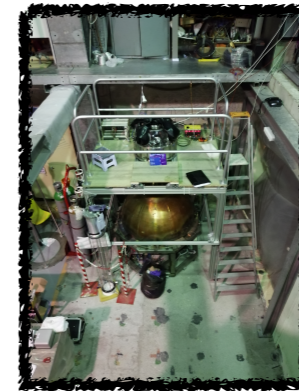
**15-04-2019**  
Leak Test - Baking



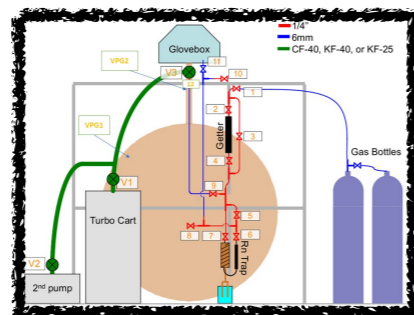
**15-05-2019**  
Gas system- Glove Box installed



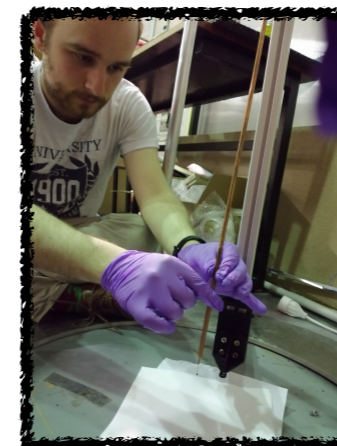
**30-05-2019**  
Setup complete - Gas filled



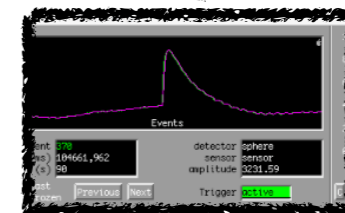
**03-04-2019**  
Snoglobe at LSM



**02-05-2019**  
Gas system - Glove Box Start of installation

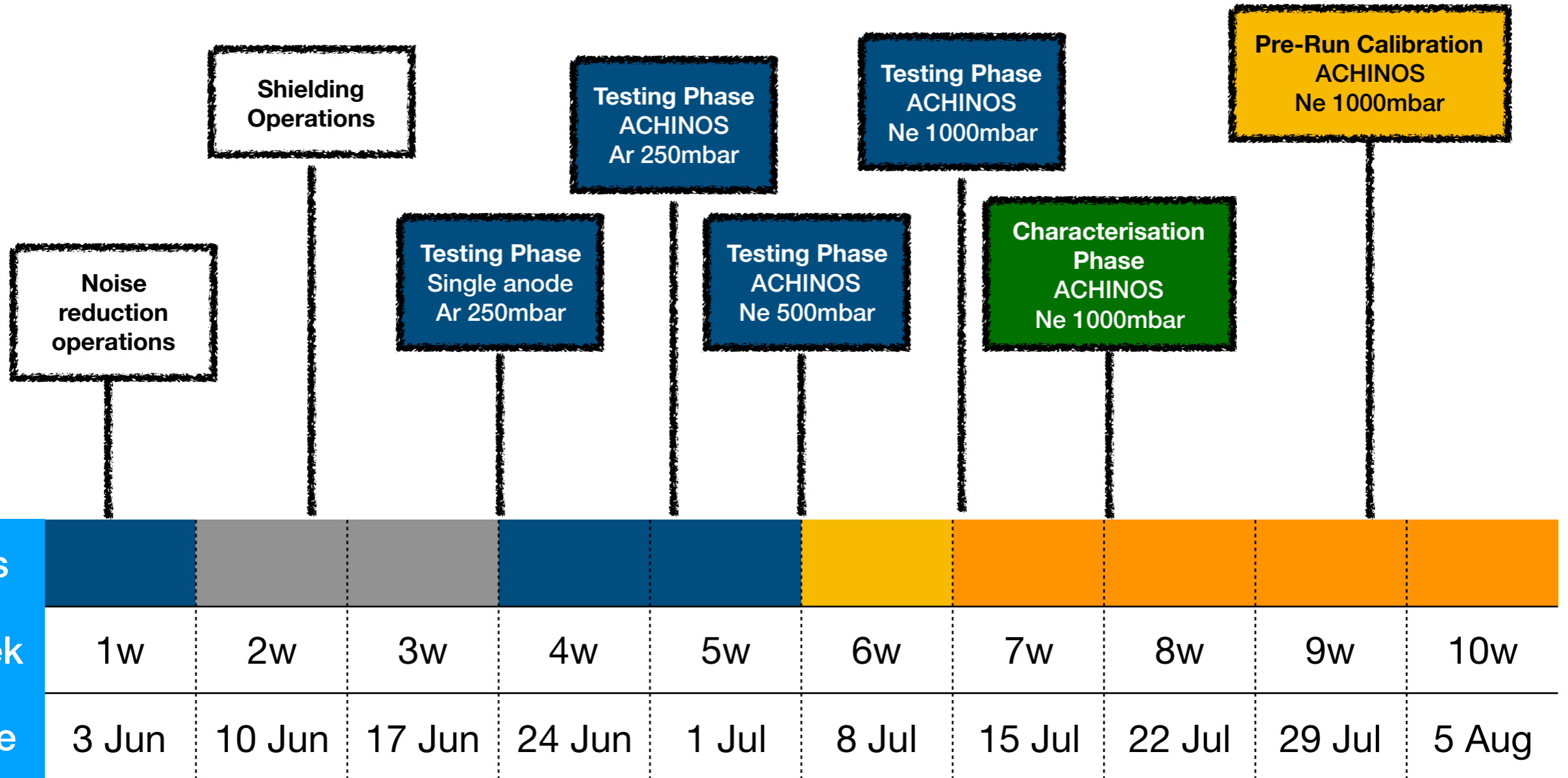


**29-05-2019**  
Sensor Installation



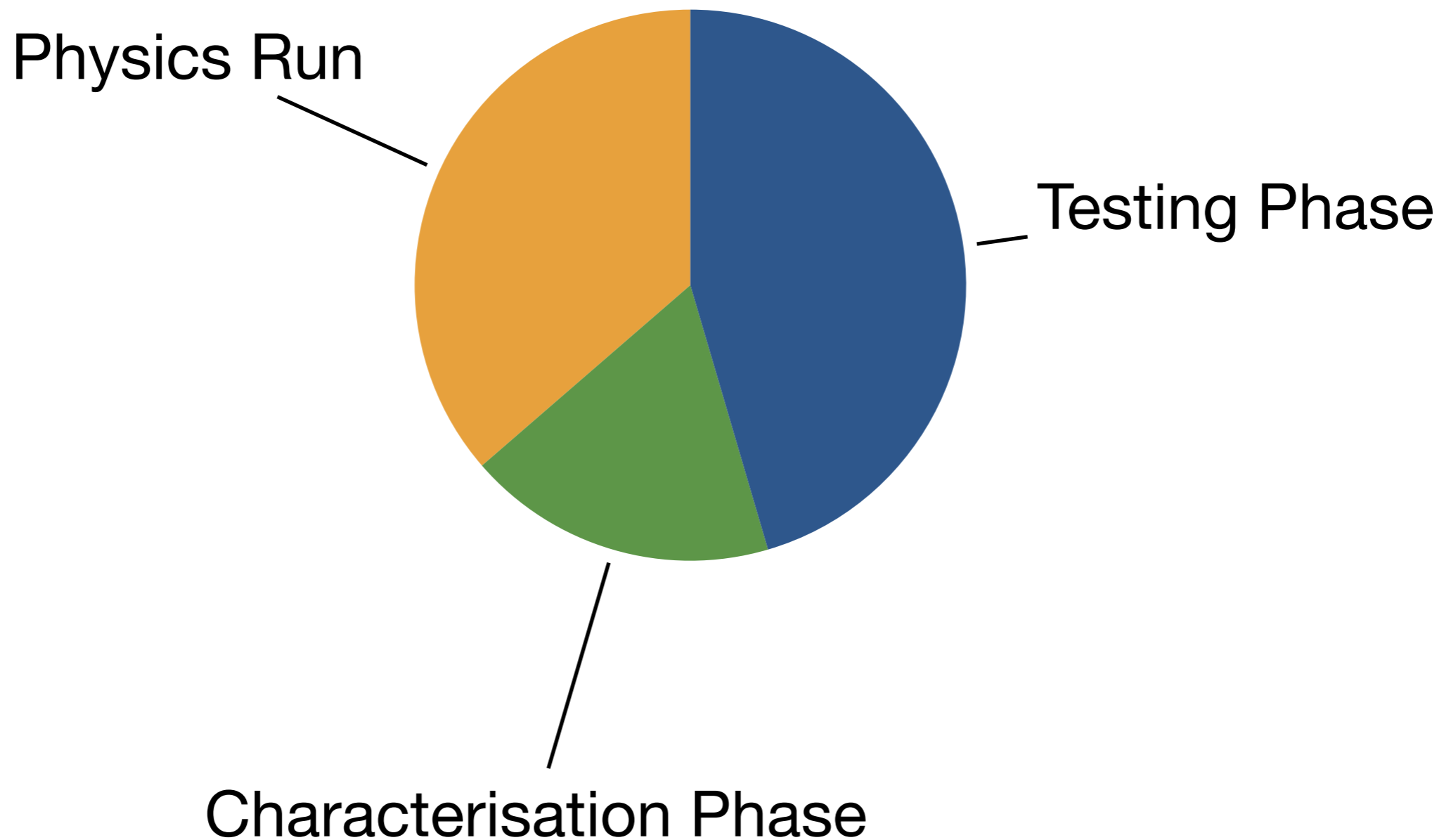
**03-06-2019**  
First pulses

# Next steps



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# Data taking

Start date 30-05-2019

## Conditions

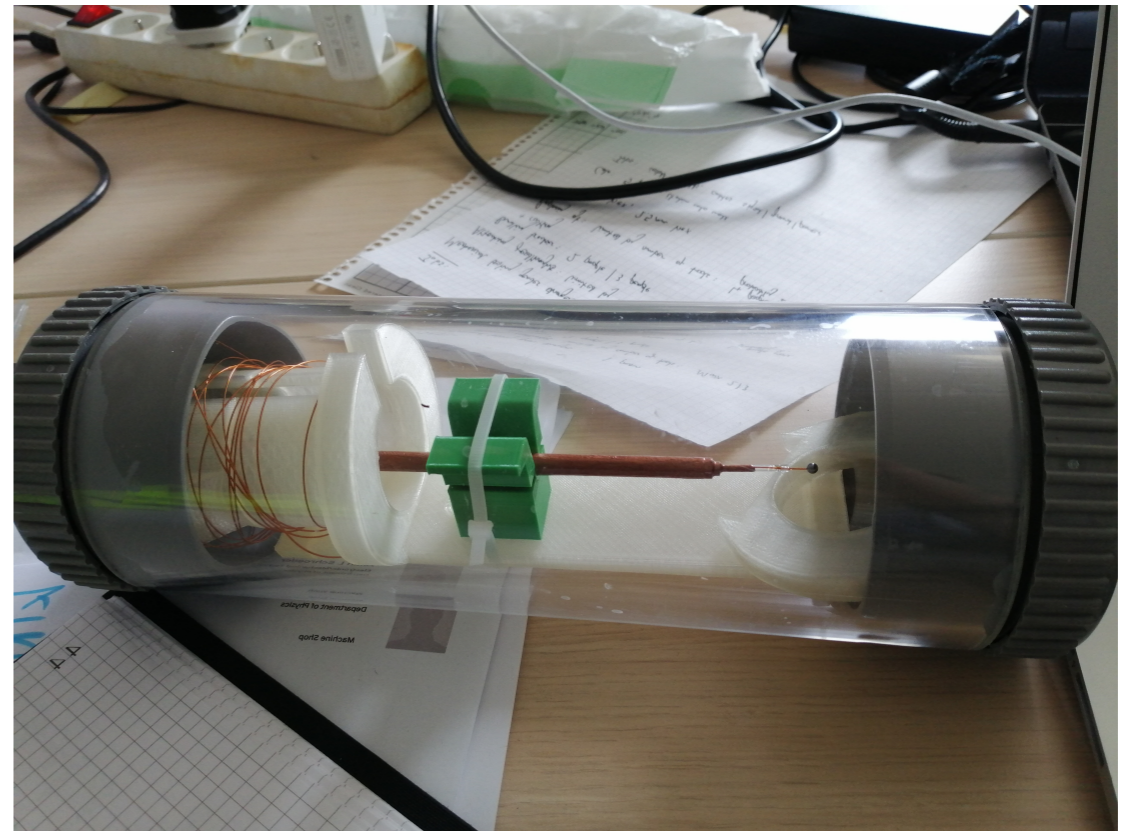
Gas Mixture: Ar/CH<sub>4</sub> (98/2)

Pressure: 256 mbar

Single anode

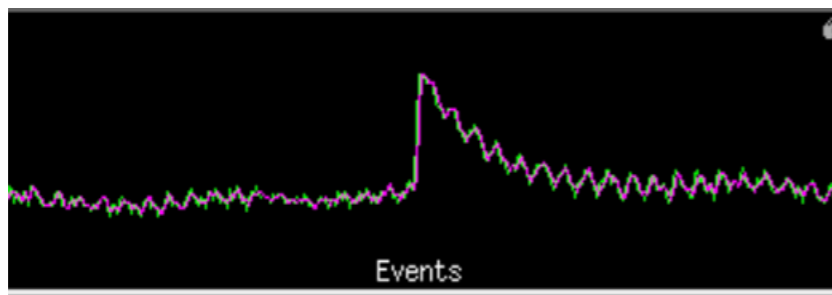
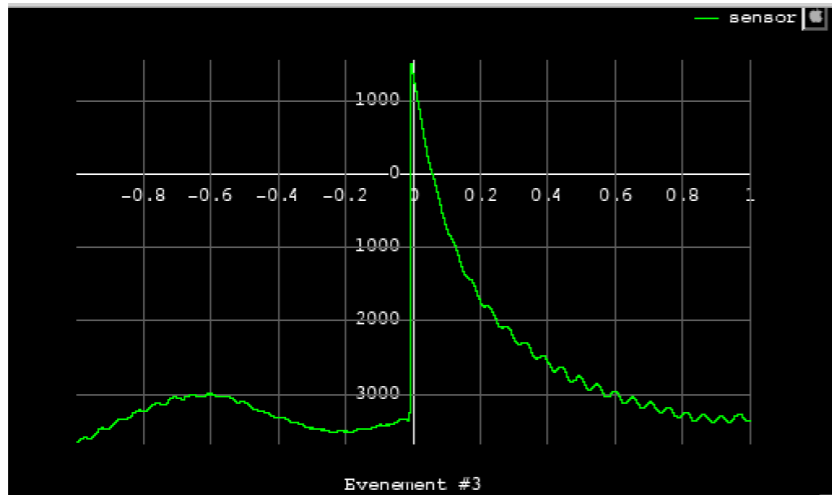
Sensor anode  $\varnothing$ : 3 mm

No Filtering method used

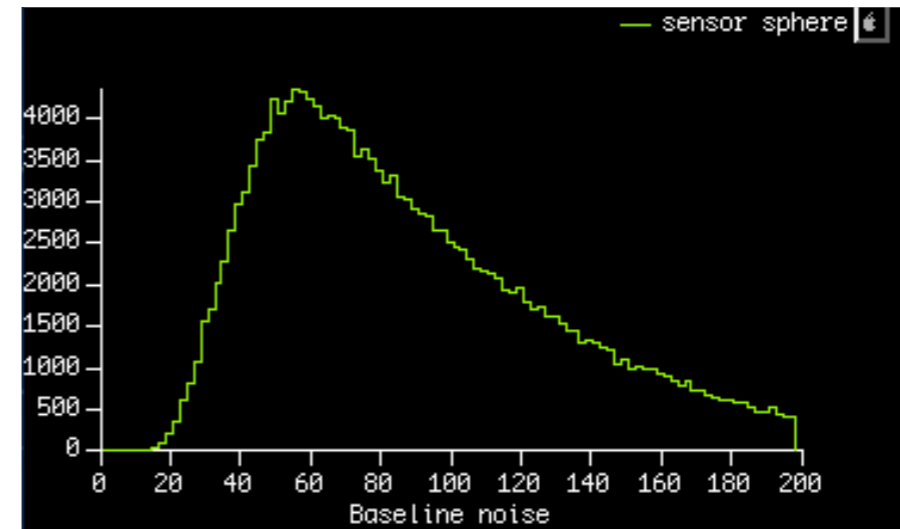


# Noise and Spurious pulses

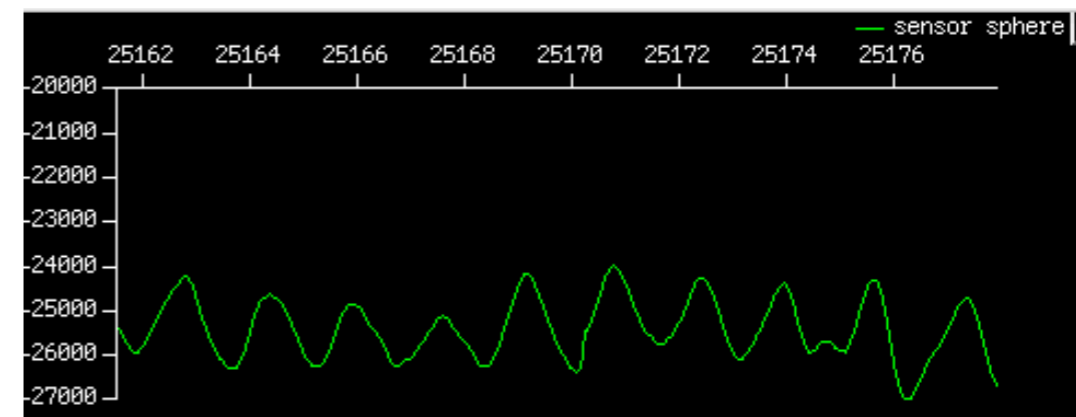
**Spurious Pulses**  
Fast rise time  
Random Amplitudes



**Noise Histogram (ADU)**



**Baseline Oscillation**



# Sparking

Run: tf07s007

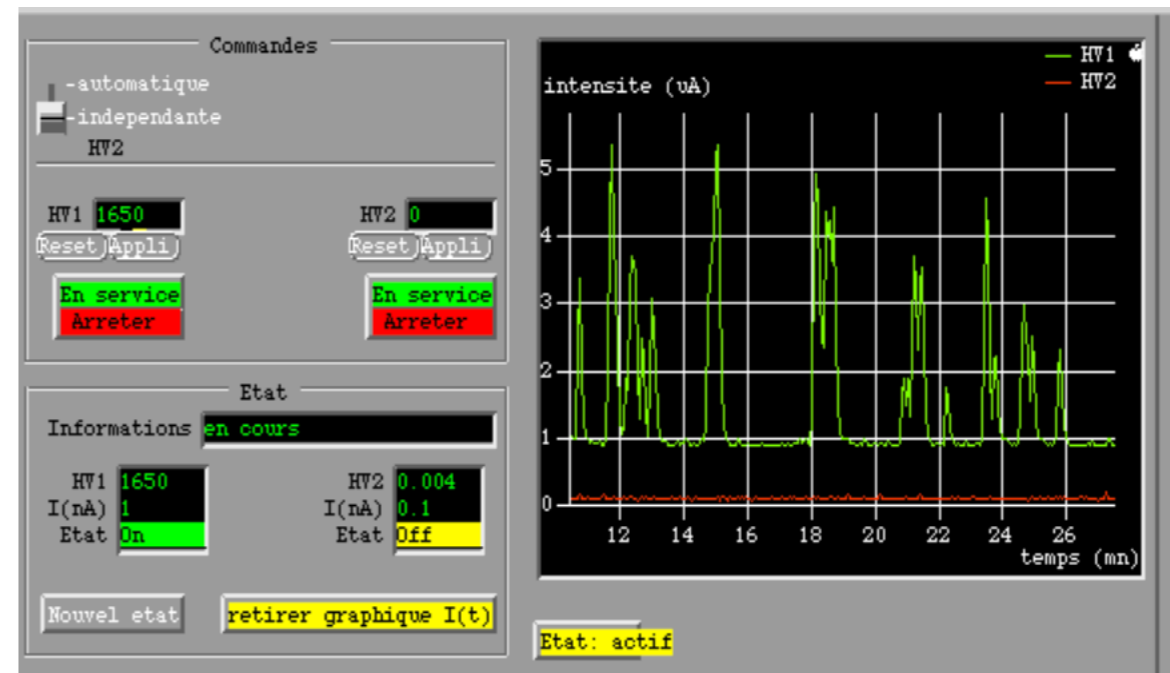
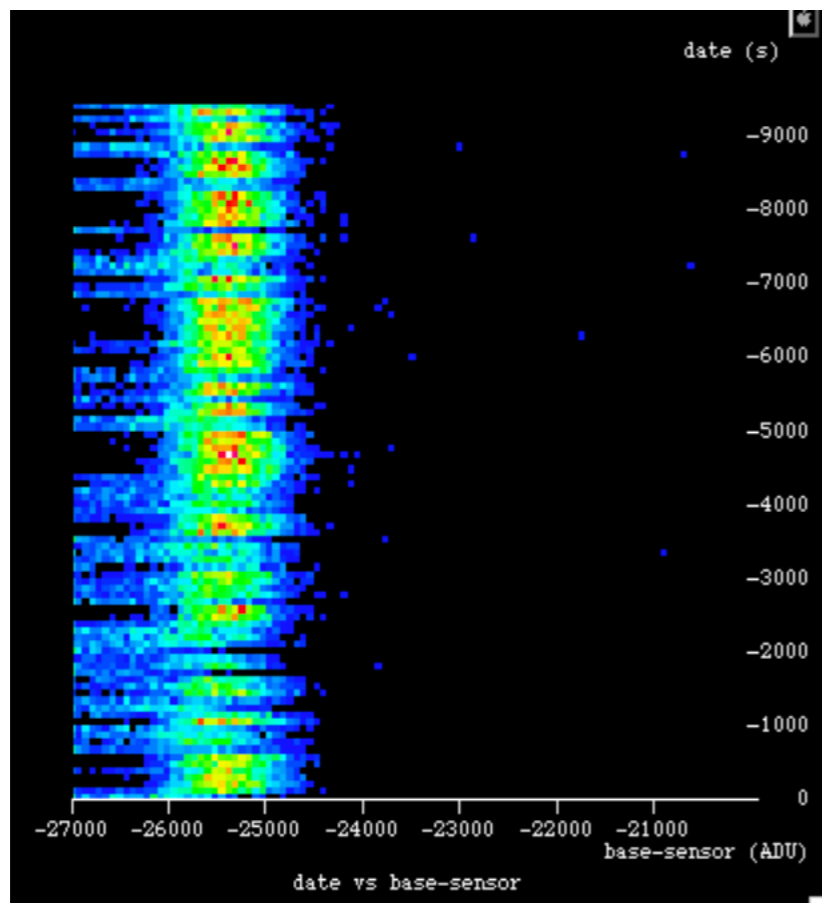
Type: No source inside

Cuts: rt(0.03, 10)ms, ampl(2000, 100k) ADU

Voltage: HV=1650 V , HV2= 0 V,

Info: T=10 k s, N=3.5 kevents, R=3.5 Hz

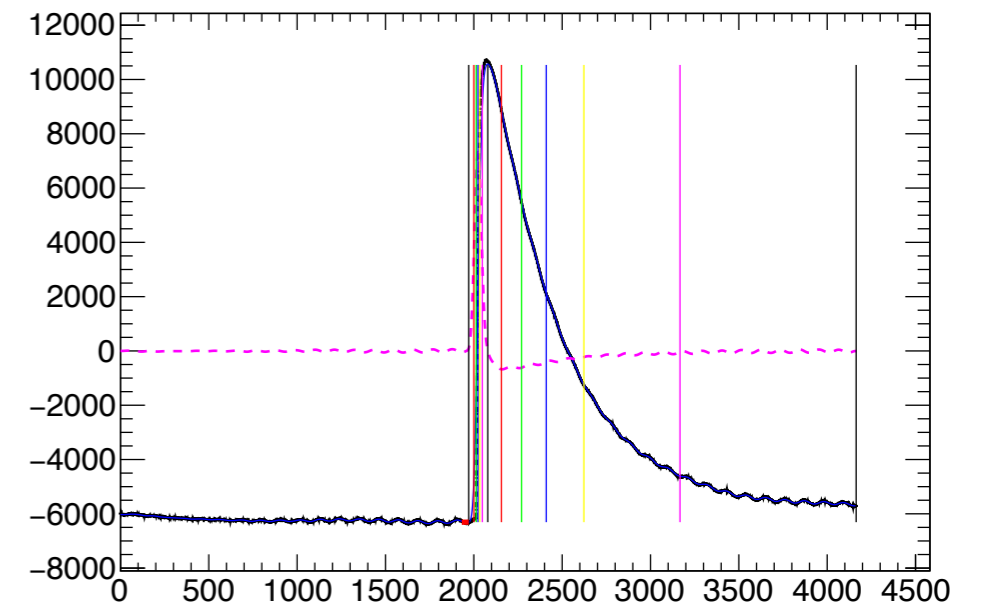
Baseline vs Time



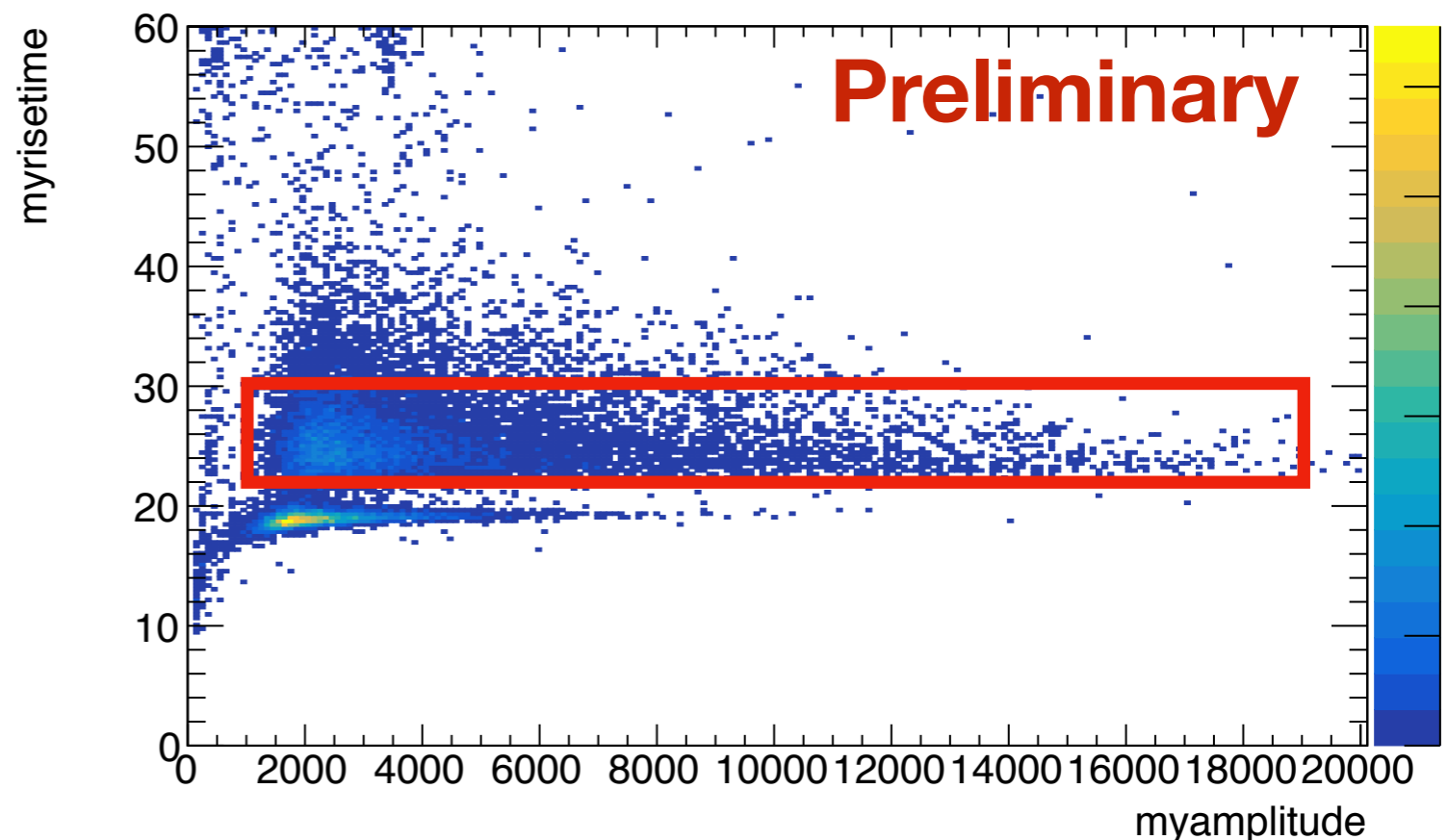
Power supply current

# Possible physical events

Run: tf03s000  
Type: No source  
Cuts:  $t(0.03, 10)$ ms,  $ampl(2000, 100k)$  ADU  
Voltage: HV=1600 V , HV2= 0 V,  
Info: T=4.2 ks, N=48.5 kevents, R=11.5 Hz



## First physical event observed

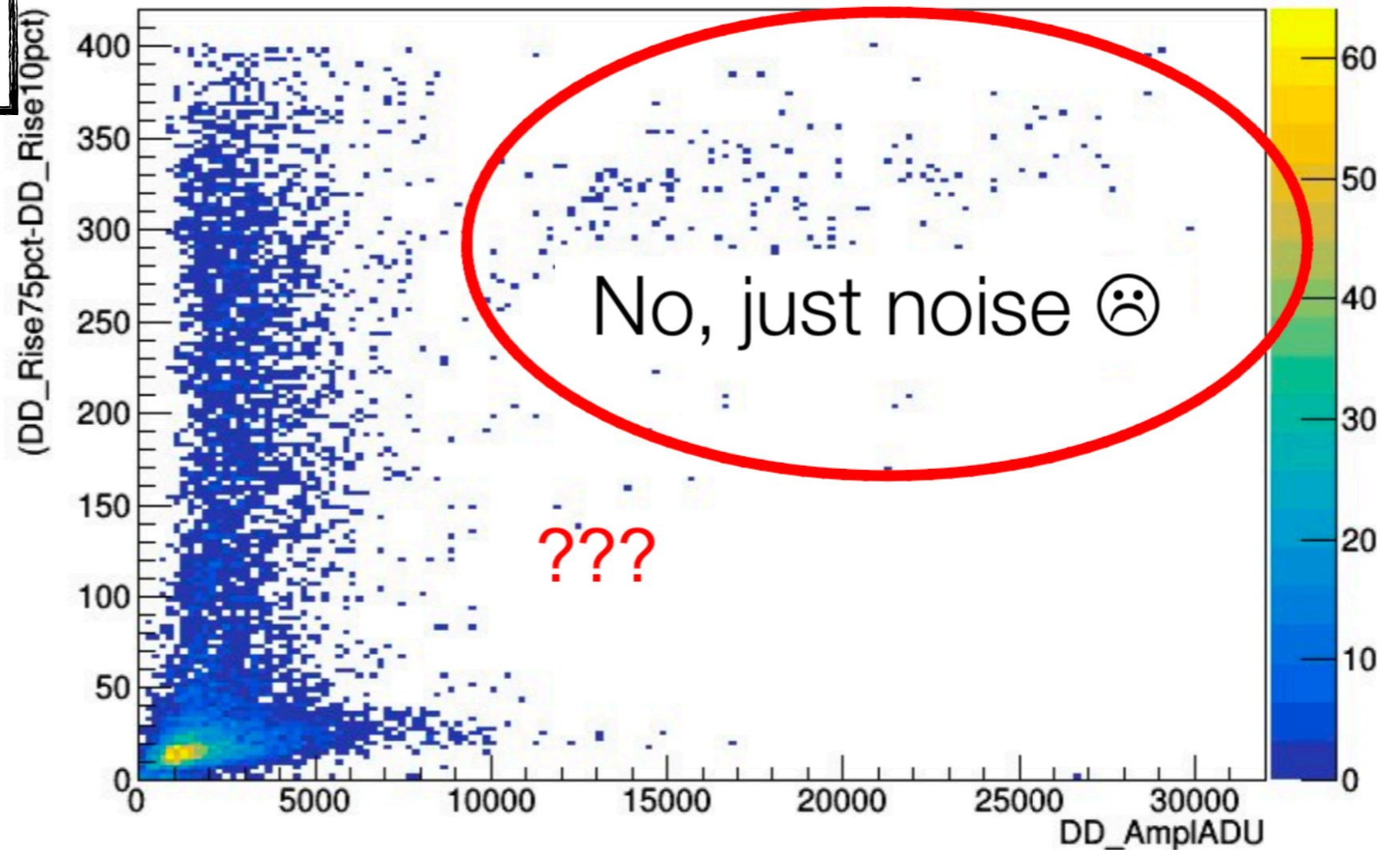




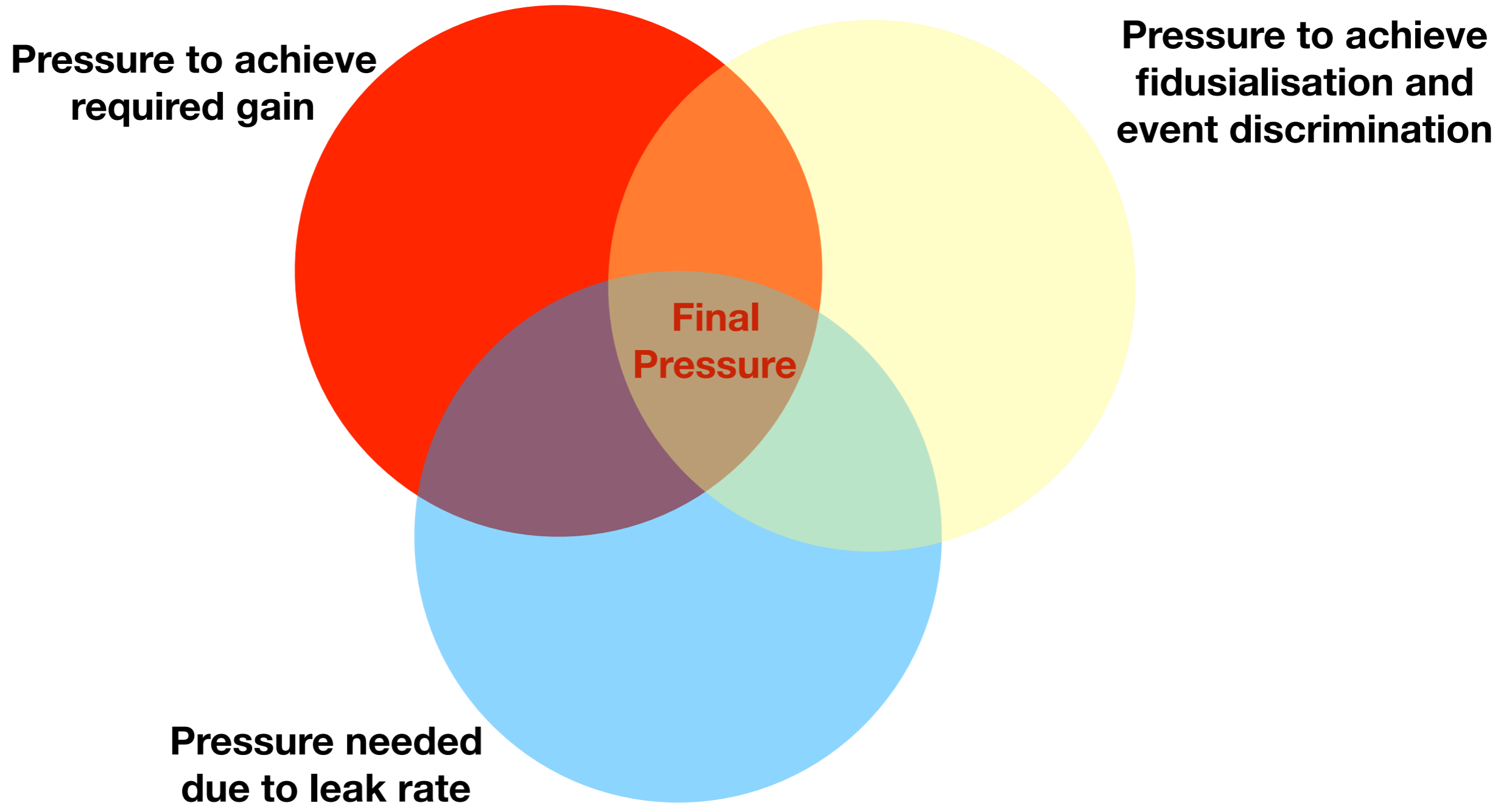
# Runs Na<sup>22</sup> source

Run: tf07s002  
Type: Na22  
Cuts: rt(0.03, 10)ms, ampl(1000, 100k) ADU  
Voltage: HV=1600 V , HV2= 0 V,  
Info: T=25 min, N=9.9 kevents, R=6.4 Hz

**Preliminary**



# Change in plans



# Subsidiary studies

- ACHINOS simulation (2-hemisphere)
- Drift/Diffusion simulations
- Modelling W-value vs Energy for penning mixtures
  - For electrons
  - For ions

# Discussions from which we will benefit

- Dates - Scheduling
- Risk Management
- Noise reduction

# Thank you for listening



**6th NEWS-G collaboration meeting**