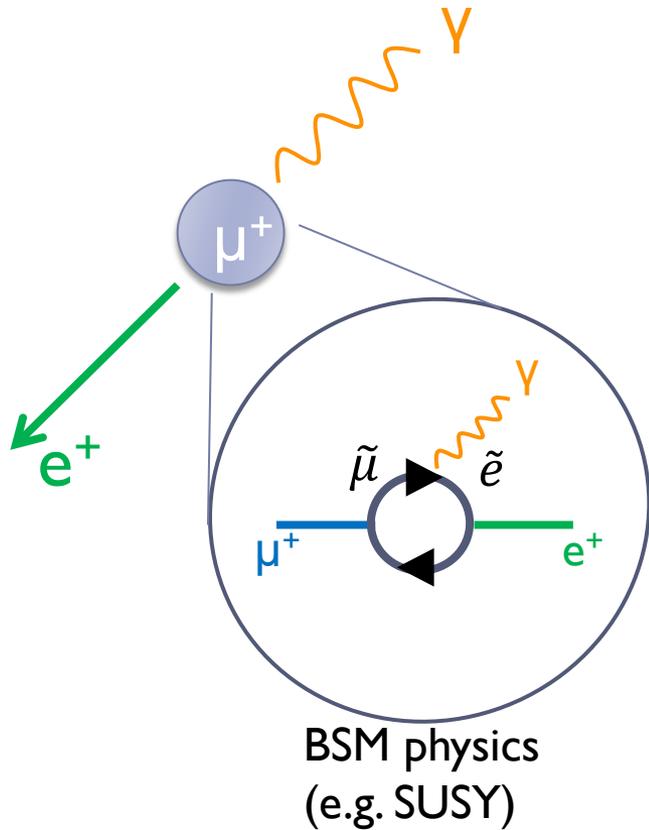


大強度 $\mu$ 粒子ビーム中で動作する  
MEG II実験  
輻射崩壊同定用カウンターの開発

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他 MEG II コラボレーション

# $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ search

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$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  is lepton flavor violating decay  
**Observation = Evidence of BSM physics**

Current limit:

$4.2 \times 10^{-13}$  (90% C.L.,) by MEG (2016)

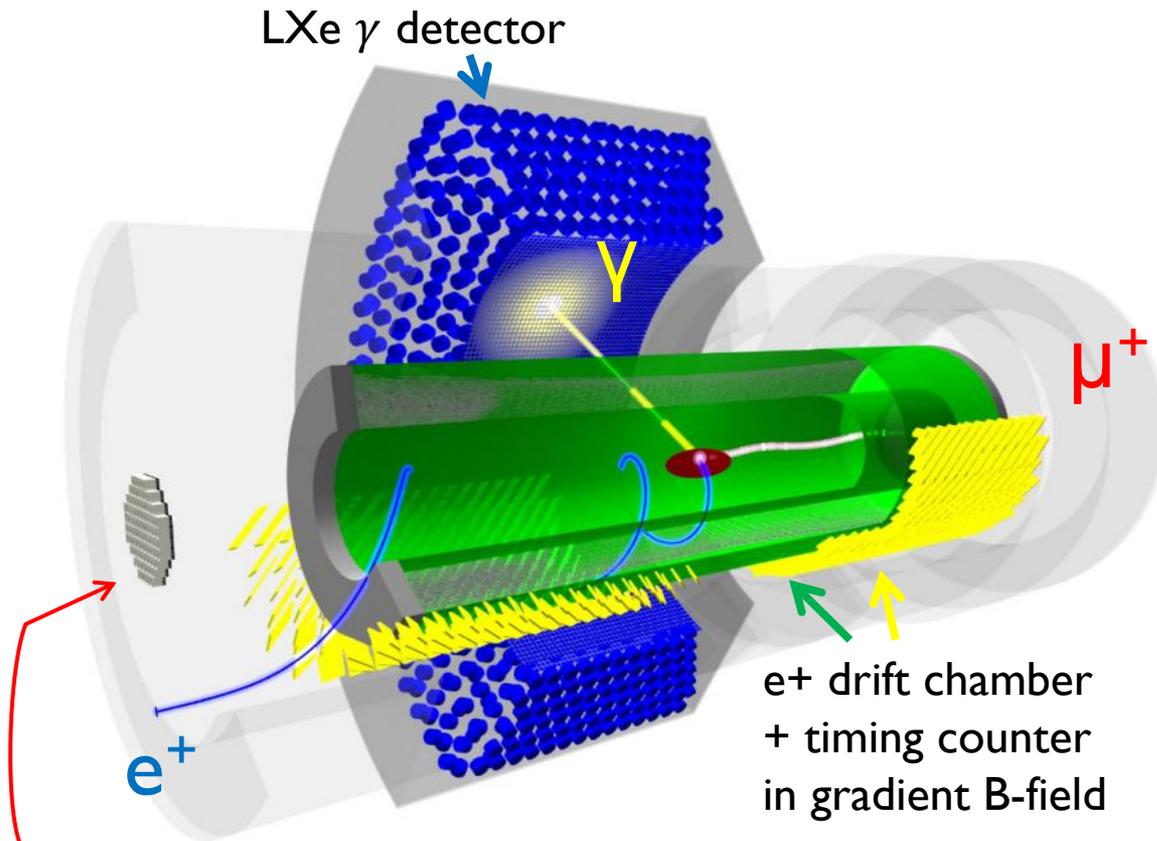
BSM prediction:

$\sim O(10^{-14})$  (e.g. SUSY-seesaw)

**MEG II goal:**

$4 \times 10^{-14}$

# MEG II @ PSI

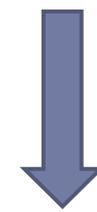


**Radiative Decay Counter  
(new in MEG II)**

e<sup>+</sup> drift chamber  
+ timing counter  
in gradient B-field

Upgraded detectors are already constructed  
except for e<sup>+</sup> drift chamber!

MEG



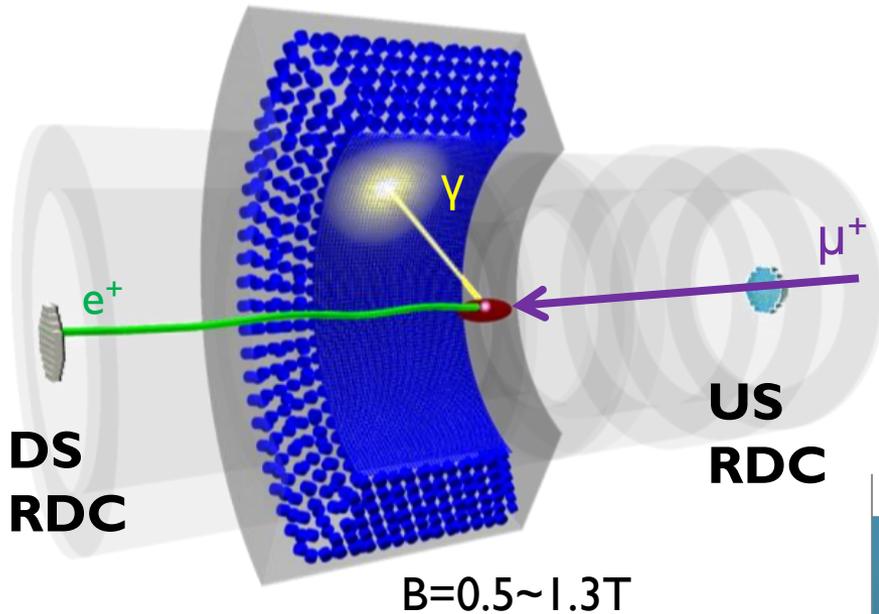
Upgrade

- x2 beam rate
- x2 resolution
- x2 efficiency

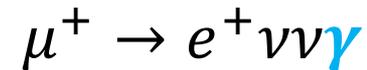
MEG II

**x10** better sensitivity

# Radiative Decay Counter (RDC)



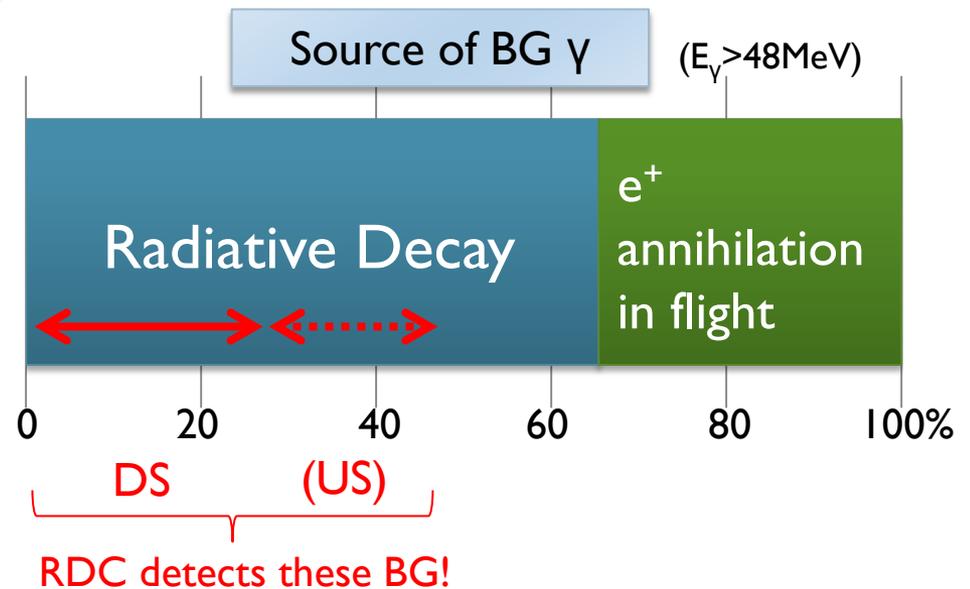
RDC identifies **Radiative Decay**



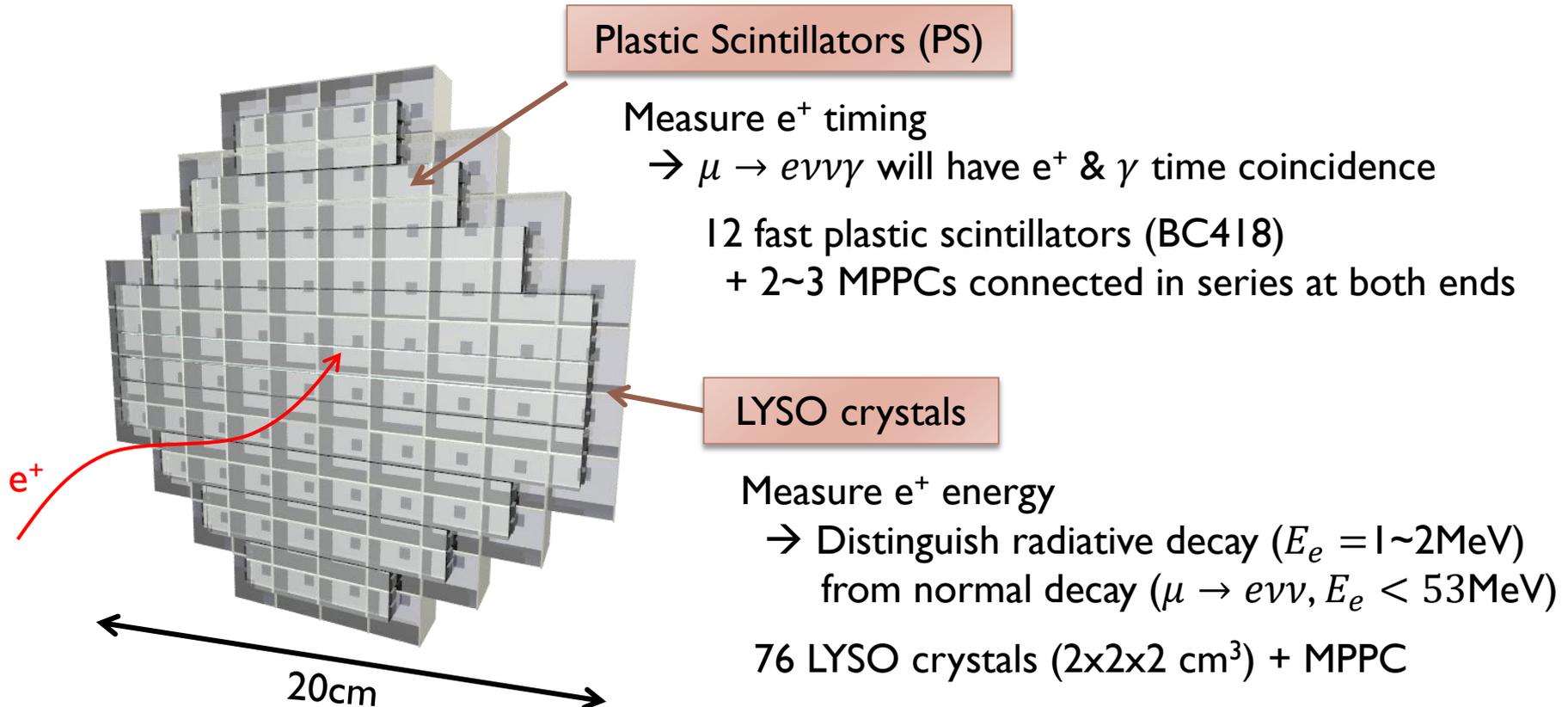
main source of BG when  $>\sim 48$  MeV

c.f. signal  $\gamma$ : 52.8 MeV

This BG  $\gamma$  can be identified by detecting low momentum  $e^+$  with RDC



# RDC downstream detector

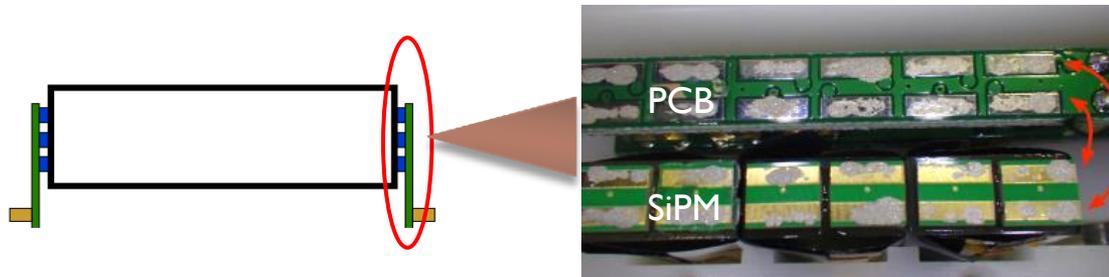


# Construction and test

Construction was finished.

(JPS2016Autumn 21aSE06)

Performance was successfully demonstrated in  $\mu$  beam, but there were several bad channels due to bad electrical connection on plastic scintillators.



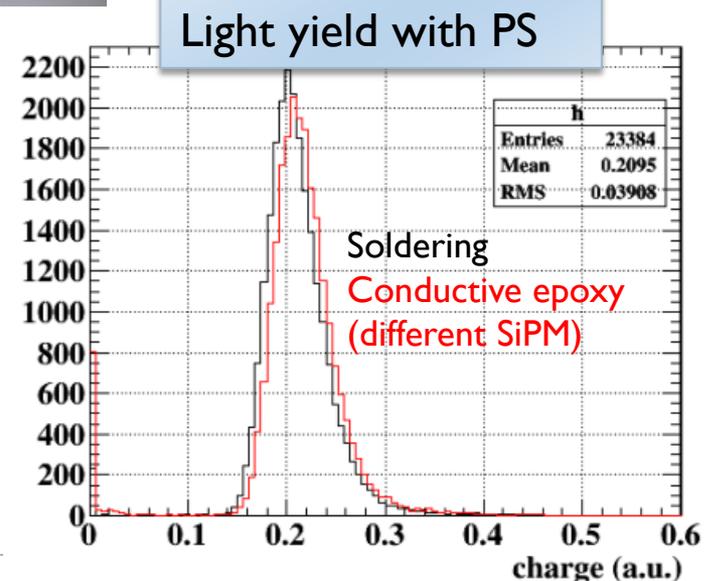
We used conductive epoxy instead of soldering to avoid heat damage

→ However it was fragile

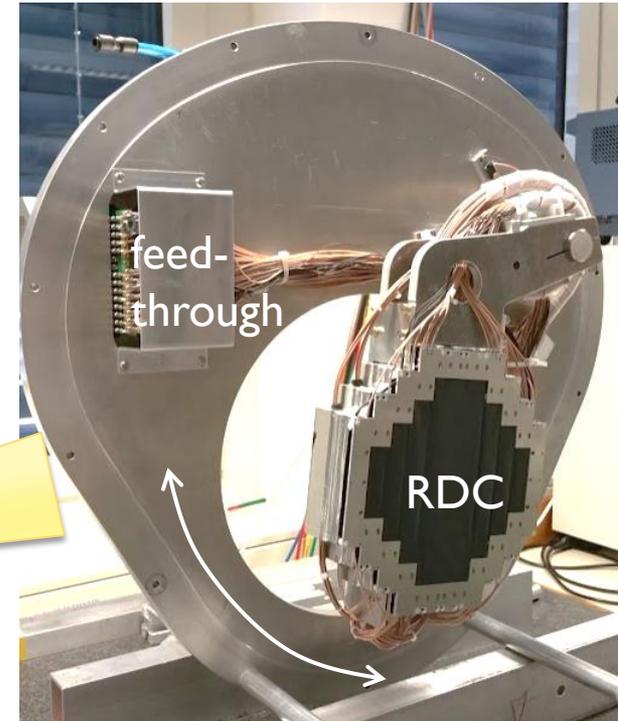
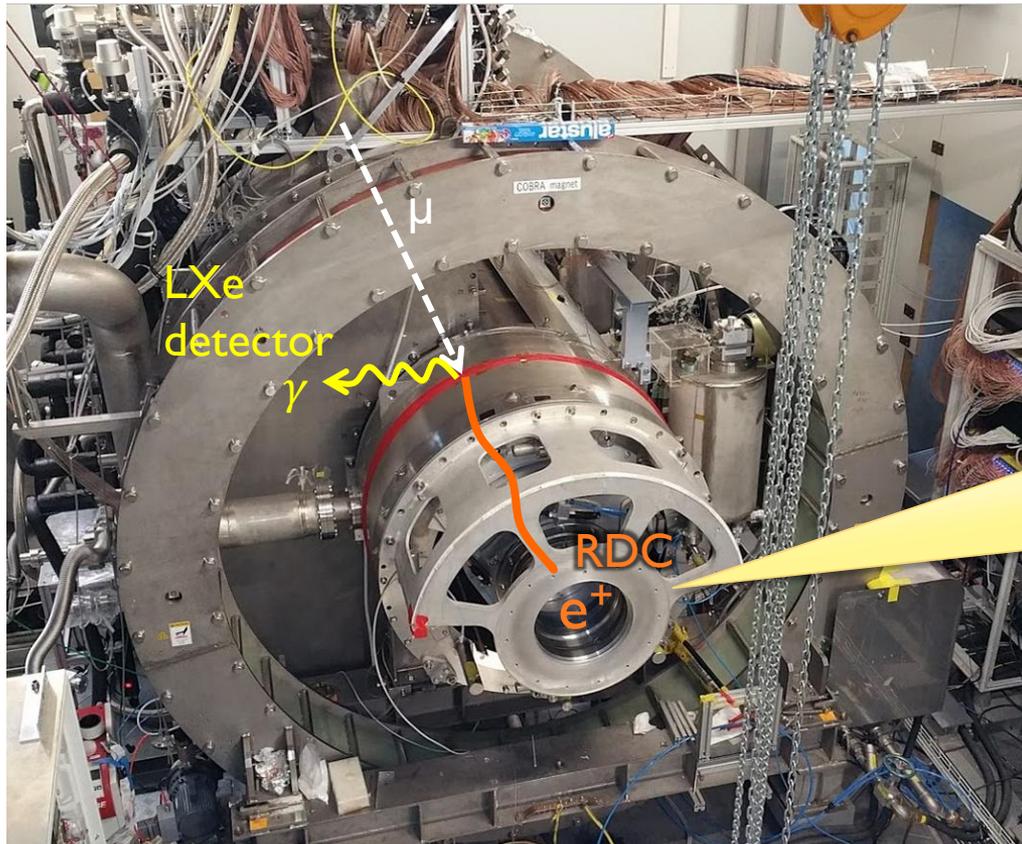
We reproduced all counters by soldering.

Light yield did not change.

Resolution was measured to be good for all ch (90~100ps, with  $^{90}\text{Sr}$  source)



# Installation



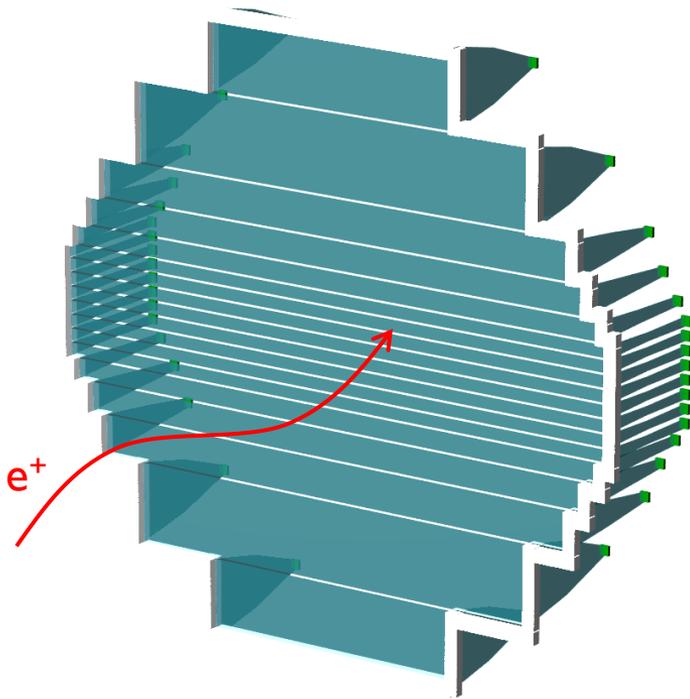
**DS RDC is installed!**

To be tested in  $\mu$  beam with LXe detector in the end of this year.

# RDC upstream detector

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Upstream detector is must be placed in the  $\mu$  beam before stopping target.



- Requirements

- Thin (not to affect the  $\mu$  beam optics)
- Operational in high rate ( $\sim 10^8 \mu/s$ )

- Possible candidate

250  $\mu\text{m}$  scintillation fiber + SiPM readout



Thin, fast response  $\rightarrow$  operational in high rate  $\mu$  beam

However, **radiation damage** might be serious.  
<1/2 light yield decrease expected in 2 weeks.

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# Diamond sensor

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Diamond is an other candidate for upstream RDC.

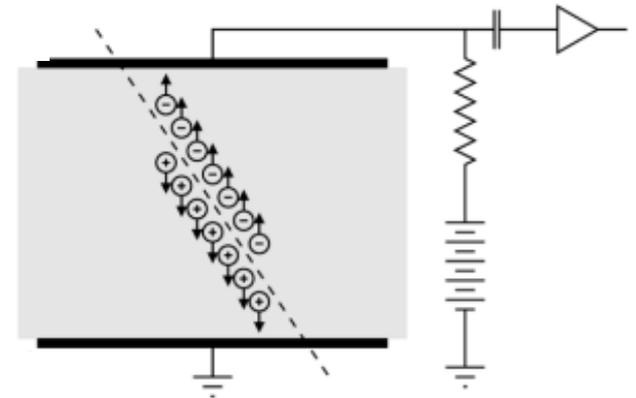
It works similar to Si detector →

Properties:

- 😊 Radiation hard ( $\sim$ MGy)
- 😊 Can be very thin ( $\sim$ 100 $\mu$ m)
- 😊 Fast ( $<$ 1ns)
- 😊 Small signal

↳  $e^+$  energy deposit is only  $\sim$ 50 keV for 100  $\mu$ m diamond.  
Energy to create an e/h pair is large (13eV)  
(c.f. It is only 3.6eV for silicon.)

→ Let's see whether we can see  $e$  signal with 100 $\mu$ m diamond



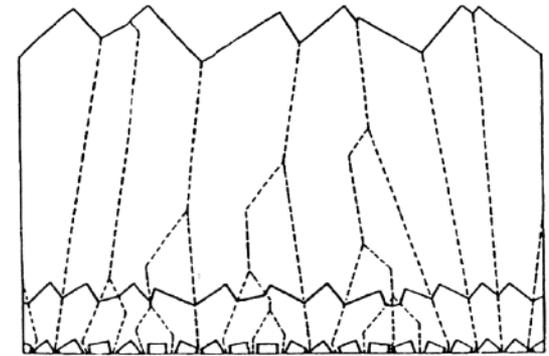
# Synthetic diamonds

CVD (Chemical Vapor Deposition) diamonds are commonly used for sensors.

Two types of crystals are available:

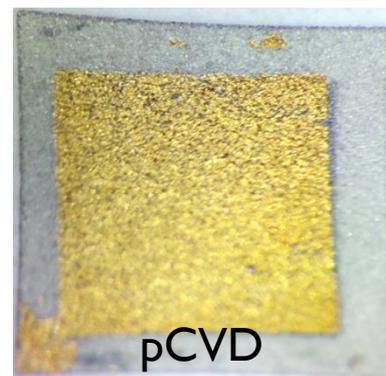
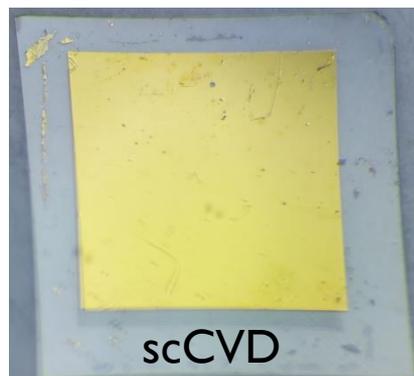
Polycrystalline (**pCVD**): small signal due to trapping on boundaries → but cheap

Single crystal (**scCVD**): large signal, expensive



polycrystalline diamond

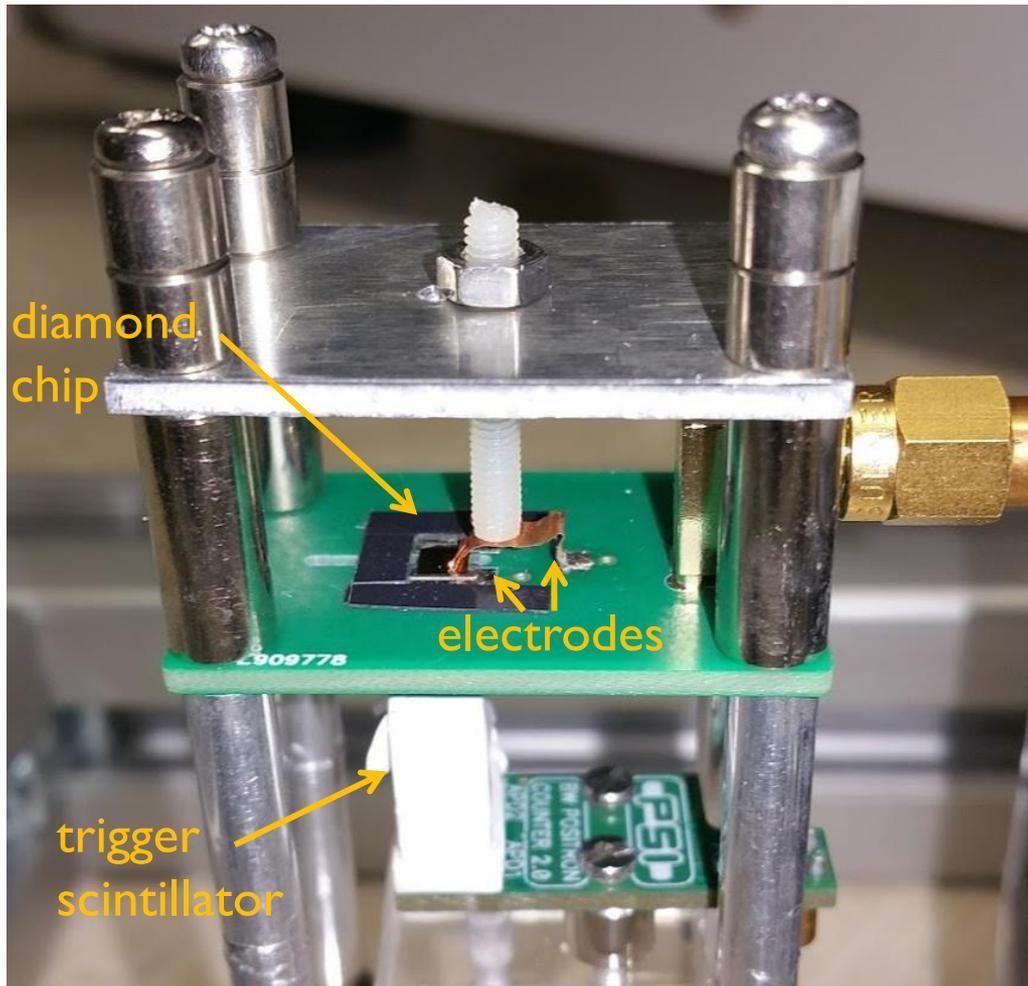
Test of diamond samples: 4mm x 4mm x **100 $\mu$ m** (*Applied Diamond, Inc.*)



Au (200nm) on both sides as electrodes

4 mm

# Test of diamond sensor samples



We tested diamond samples with radioactive sources placed on diamond.



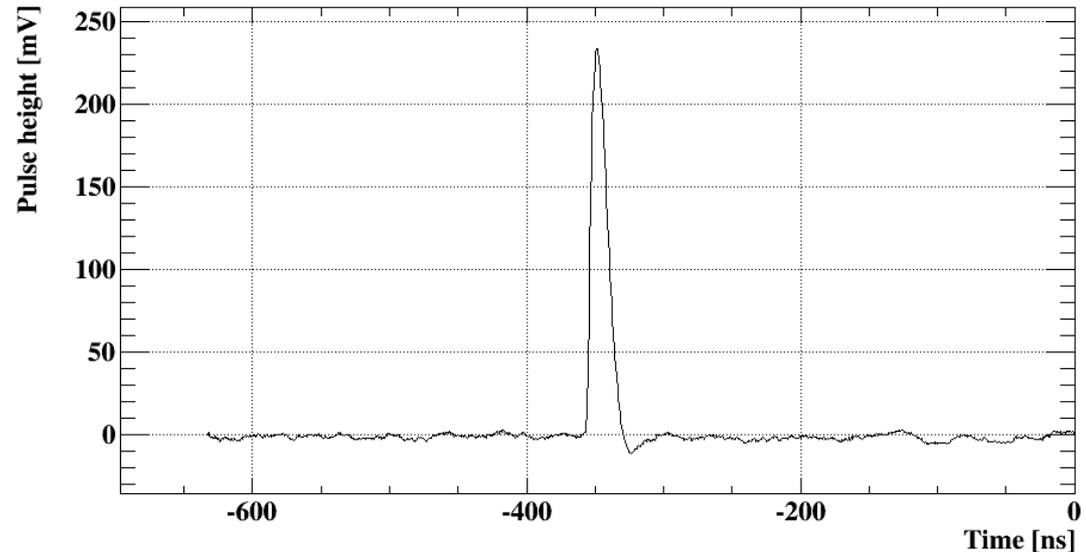
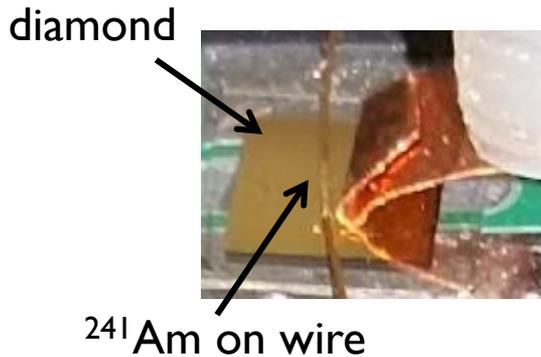
High gain, low noise charge amplifier (CIVIDEC C6HV0177), 5.7 mV/fC,

Readout:  
Charge amp.  
+ Waveform digitizer

# $\alpha$ source signal

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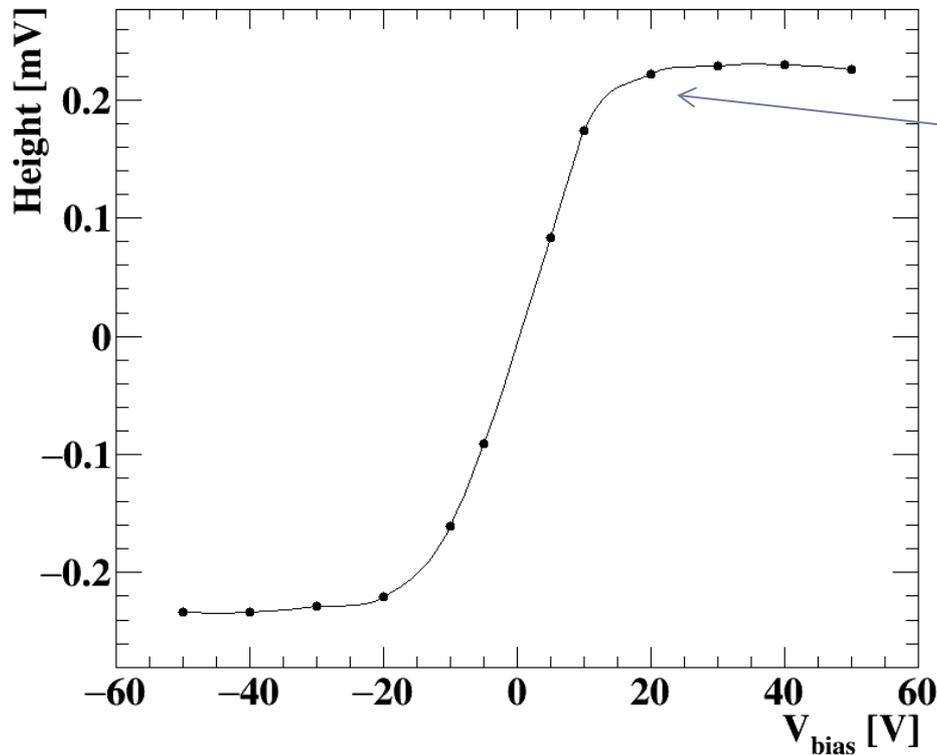
First, we checked the signal with  $^{241}\text{Am}$  alpha source on wire.  
 $\alpha$  does not reach the trigger scintillator and stops inside diamond.  
(Energy deposit  $\sim 5$  MeV)



Successfully observed the signal with scCVD!  
However, the signal was not observed for the pCVD sample (too small?).

# Pulse height vs. $V_{bias}$

Pulse height of  $\alpha$  signal is measured by changing  $V_{bias}$  from -50V to +50V



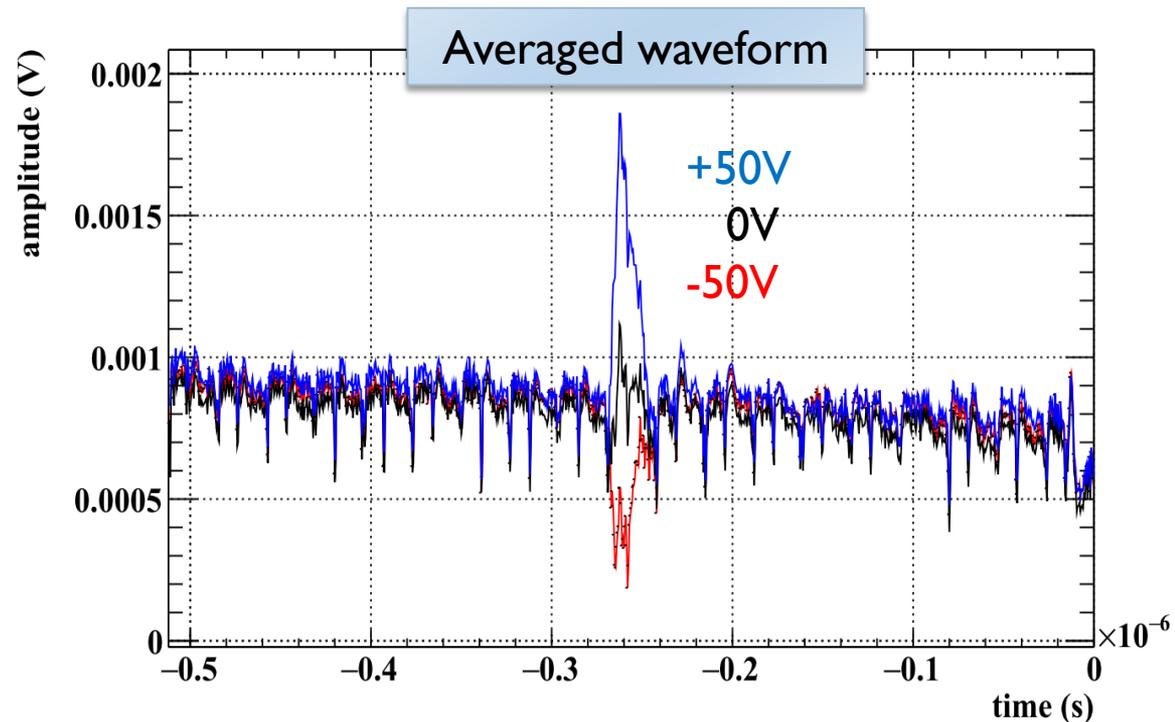
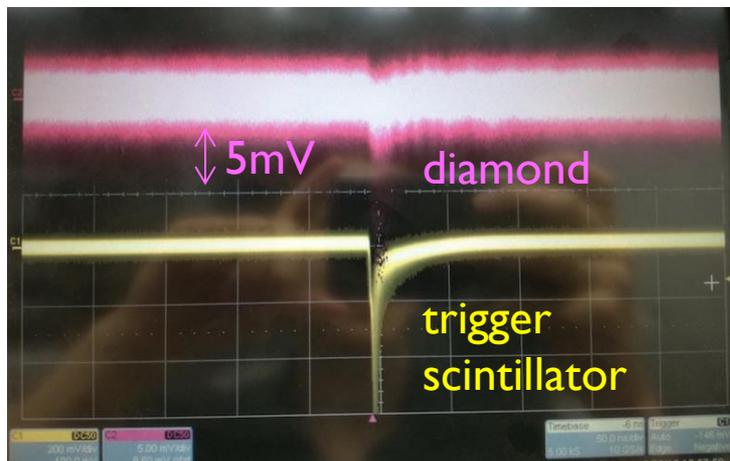
Pulse height became maximum around  $\pm 20$  V.

This is because the Charge Collection Distance (CCD) (= Average distance of e-h movement) reached the size of the diamond thickness.

CCD increases are  $V_{bias}$  increase.

# $\beta$ source ( $^{90}\text{Sr}$ ) signal

$\beta$  source signal is small. Energy deposit is only  $\sim 50\text{keV}$  (1/100 of  $\alpha$ ).  
The signal size ( $\sim 2\text{mV}$ ) was compatible with noise.  
Therefore, it was not possible to distinguish the signal from noise.  
The signal can be seen in the averaged waveform.



# Next step

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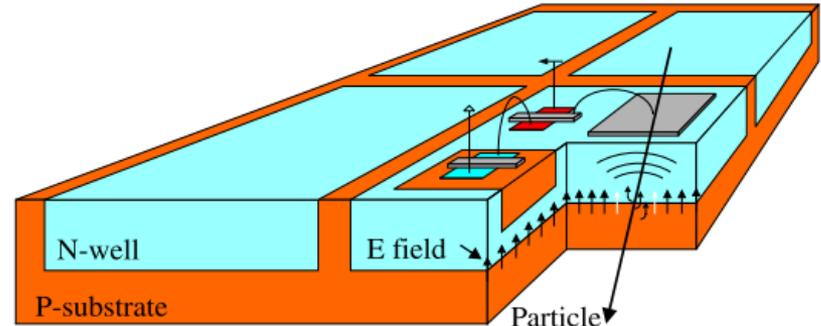
Possible approaches

- Amplifier modification (noise reduction?)
- Use silicon detector

Example:

50 $\mu$ m thick silicon detector  
in Mu3e experiment @ PSI

Thin, fast, works in high rate  
Availability? Radiation hardness?



If upstream RDC can detect radiative decay BG with 100% efficiency,  
 $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  sensitivity will be improved from  $4.3 \times 10^{-14}$  to  $3.9 \times 10^{-14}$ .

# Summary

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- ▶ MEG II RDC detector identifies the main  $\gamma$  BG,  $\mu \rightarrow e\nu\nu\gamma$
- ▶ Downstream RDC is already constructed and installed. It will be tested with LXe detector in  $\mu$  beam in the end of this year.
- ▶ Diamond sensor was tested as a candidate for upstream RDC detector. Signal size was measured to be small for the electrons. Other possible solution: silicon detector?