

# TH-COBRA, a thick-hole structure for IBF reduction

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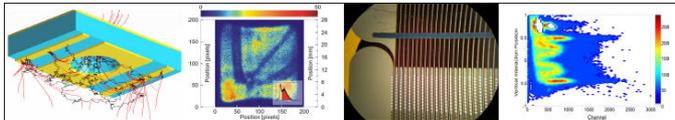
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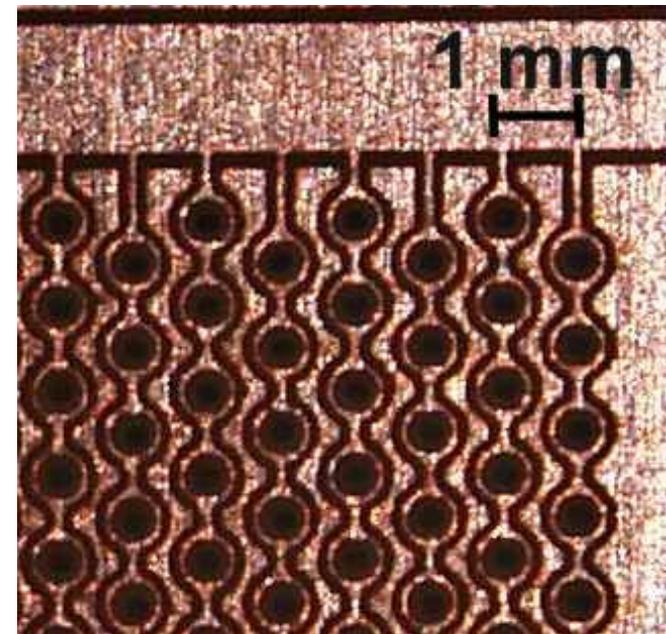
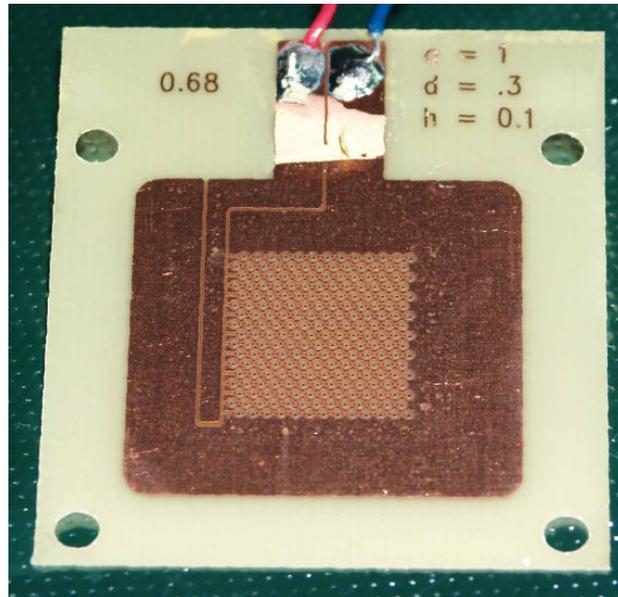
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# Motivation

- **THCOBRA as an ion trap device:**
  - **Gaseous photomultipliers**
    - **Photo detection in visible range**
    - **RICH readout**
  - **TPCs**

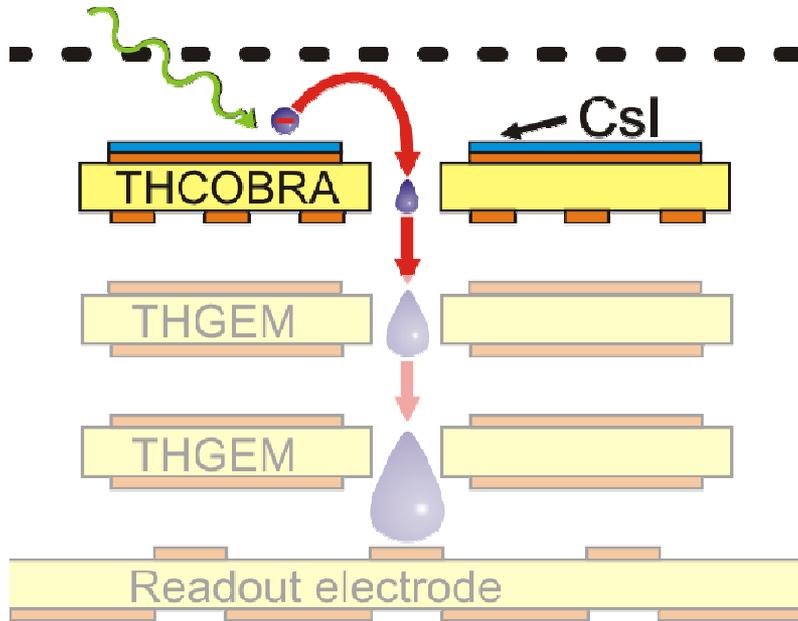
# THCOBRA



- **Actual Dimensions:**
  - Pitch = 1 mm
  - Hole diameter = 0.3 mm
  - Rim = 0.1 mm
  - Thickness = 0.4 mm

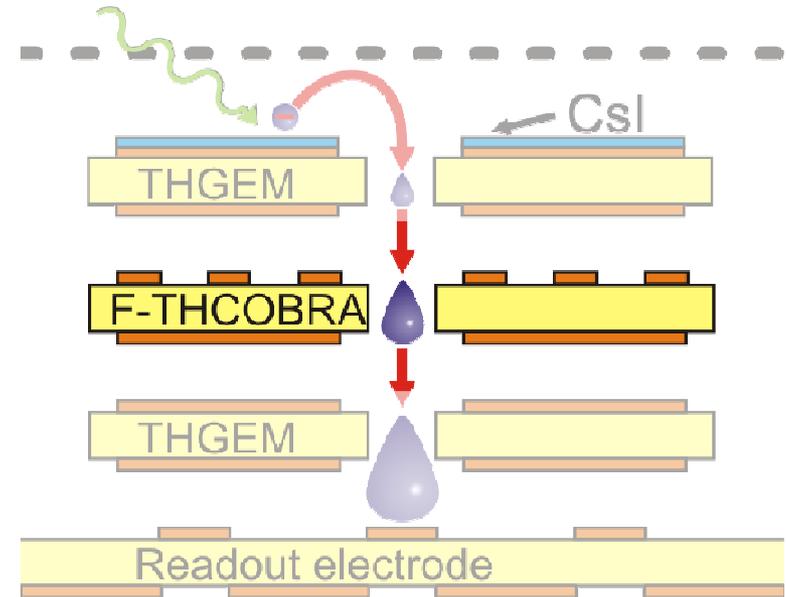
# Detectors Configuration

## THGEM-THCOBRA



- **Position:**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> stage

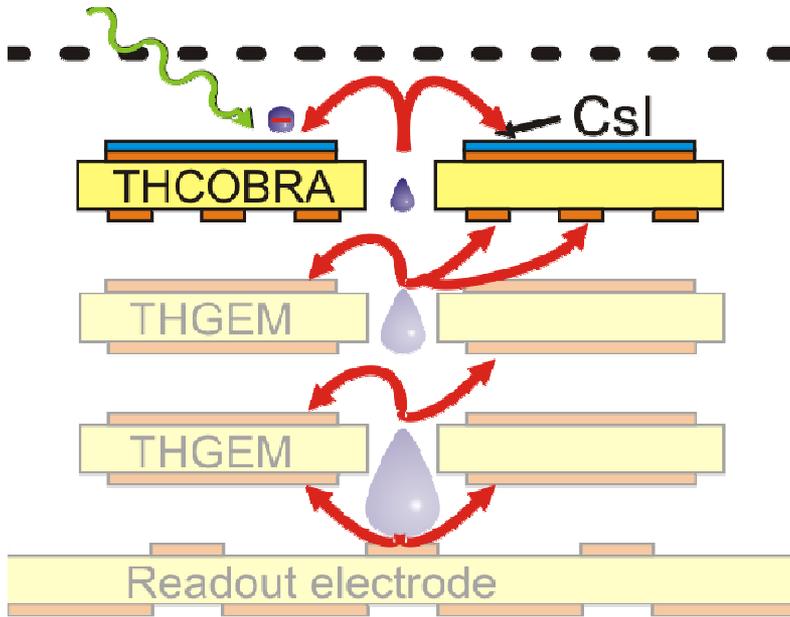
## THGEM-FTHCOBRA



- **Position:**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> stage

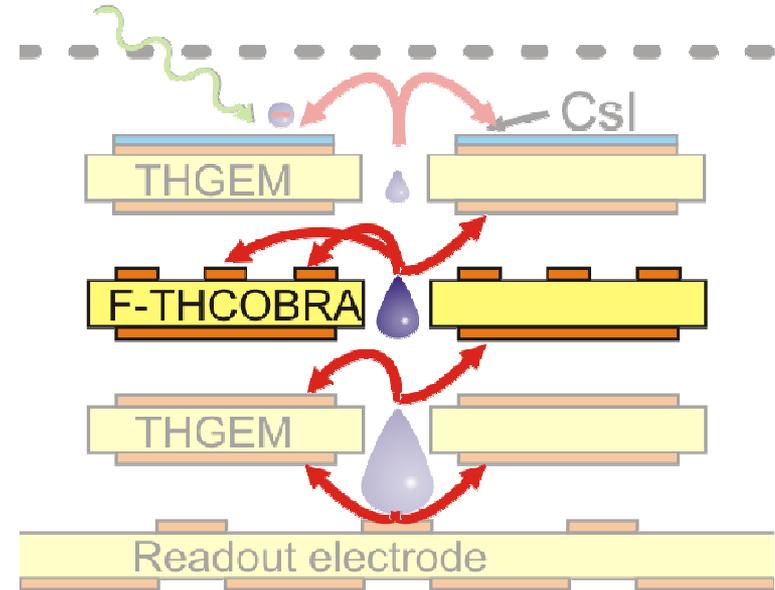
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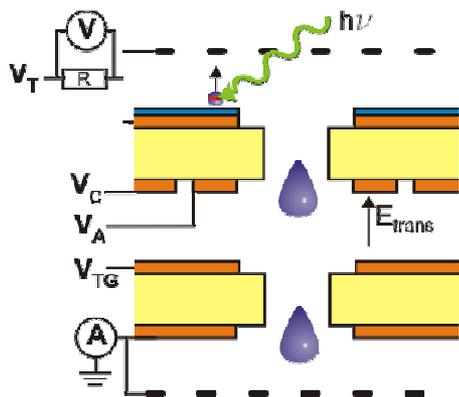
## THGEM-FTHCOBRA



- **Position:**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> stage

# THCOBRA Experimental Results

## IBF vs $V_{AC}$



**Hole Voltage**      **Gain**

900      1E01

1100      1E02

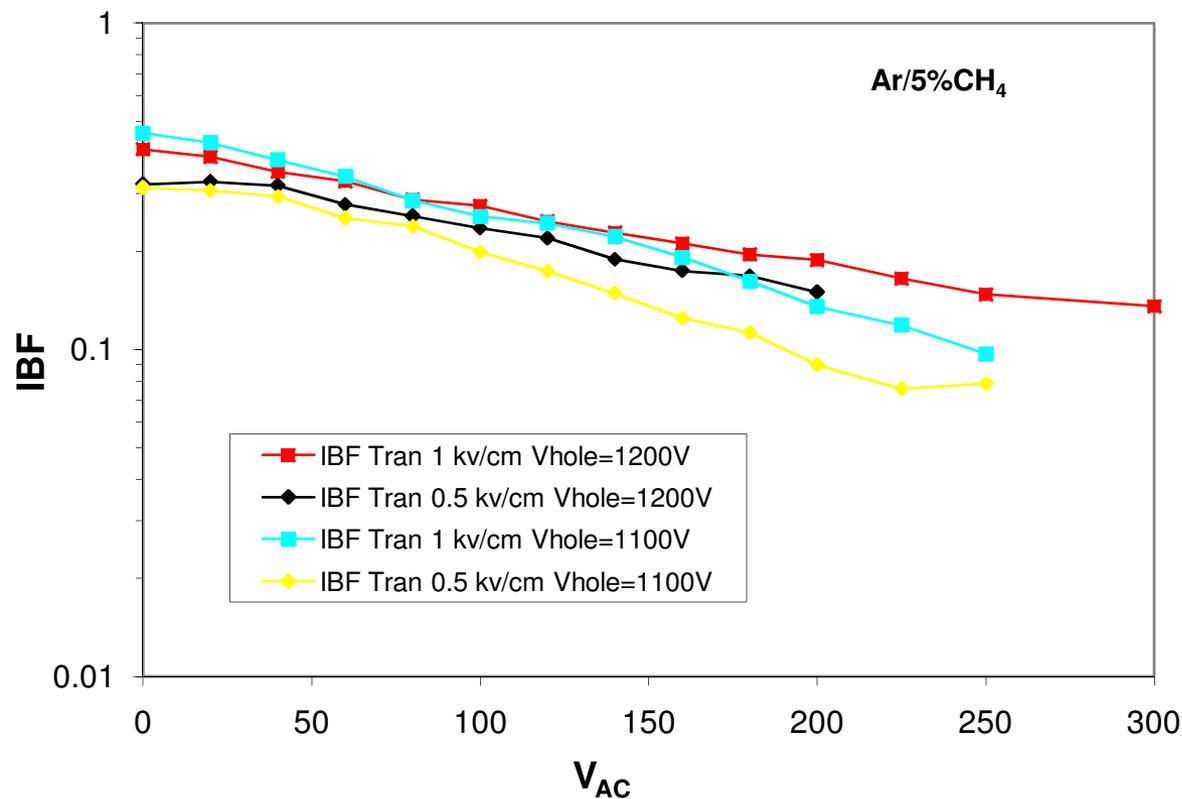
1200      1E03

1400      1E04

**Transfer Field**

0.5 kV/cm

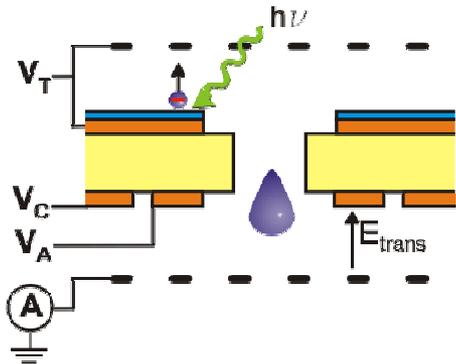
1.0 kV/cm



**IBF redution ~ 5**

# THCOBRA Experimental Results

## Visible Gain vs $V_{AC}$



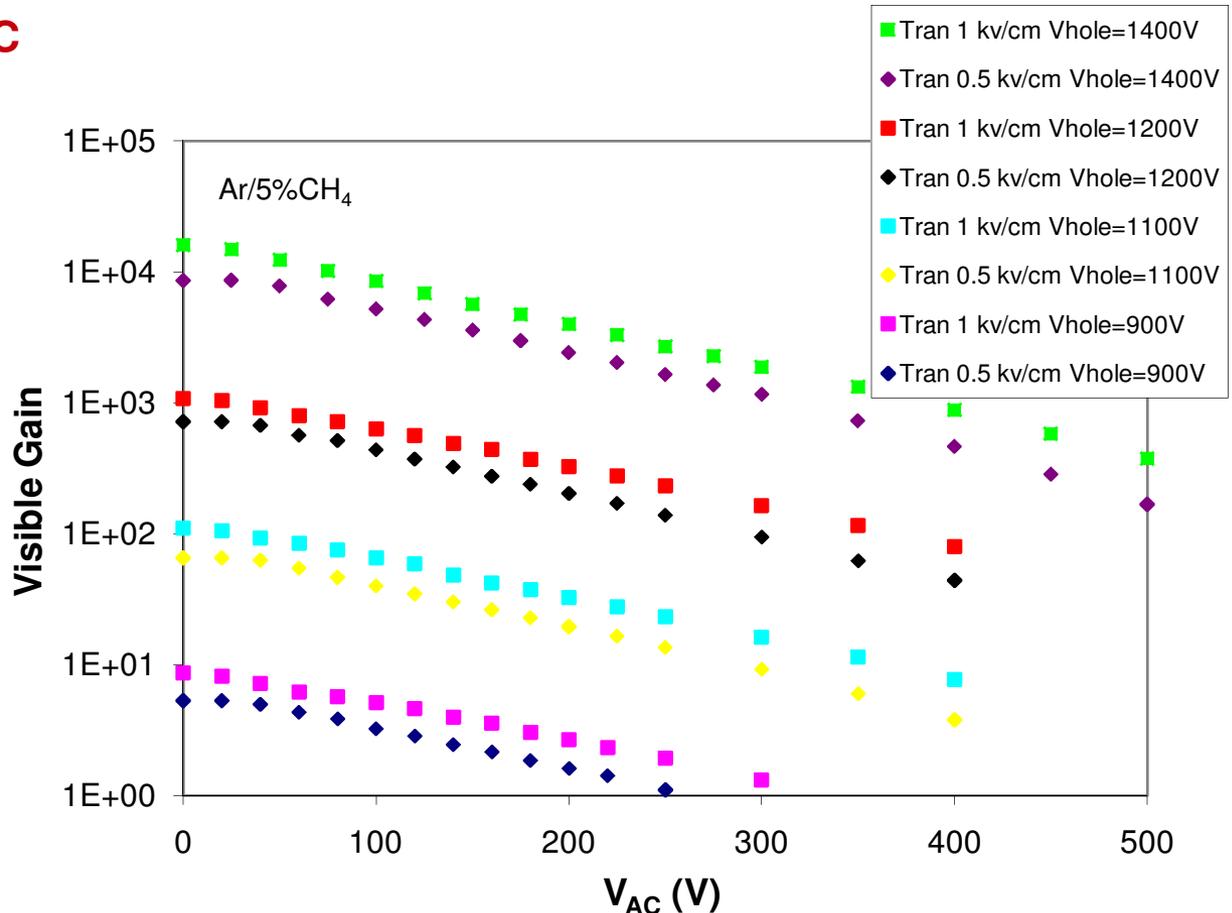
**Hole Voltage**      **Gain**

900	1E01
1100	1E02
1200	1E03
1400	1E04

**Transfer Field**

0.5 kV/cm

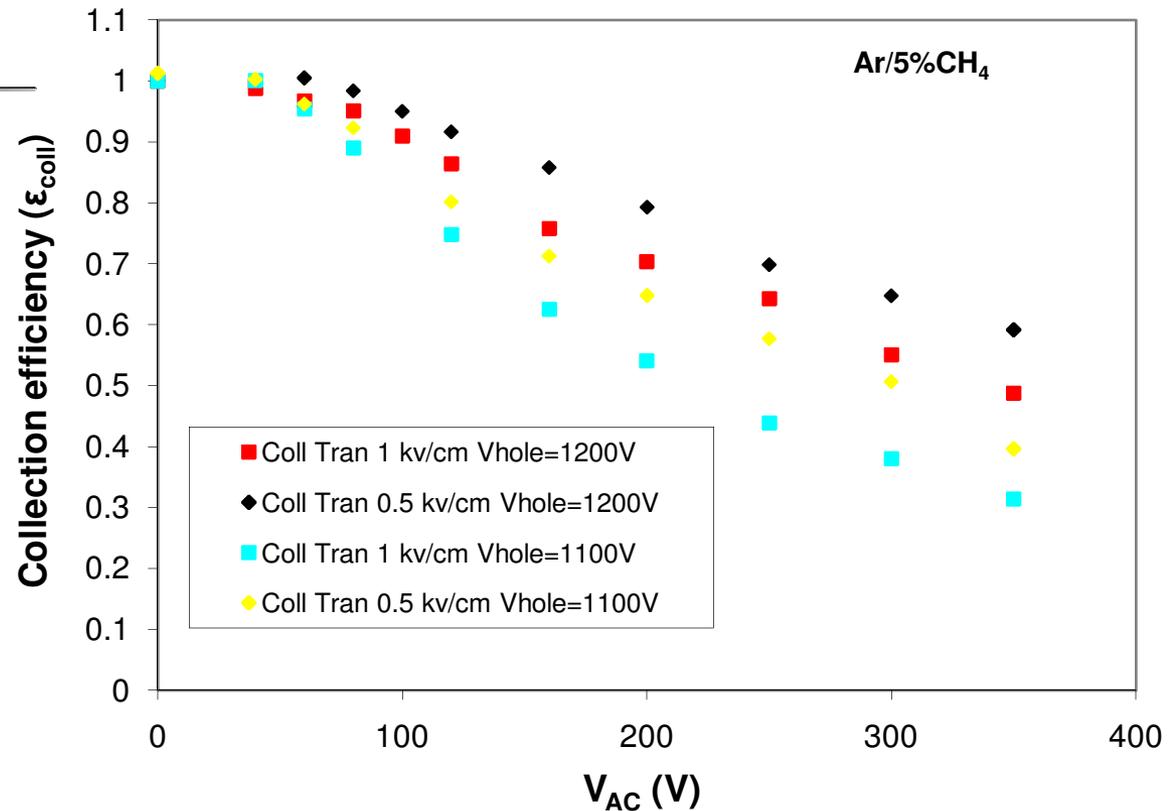
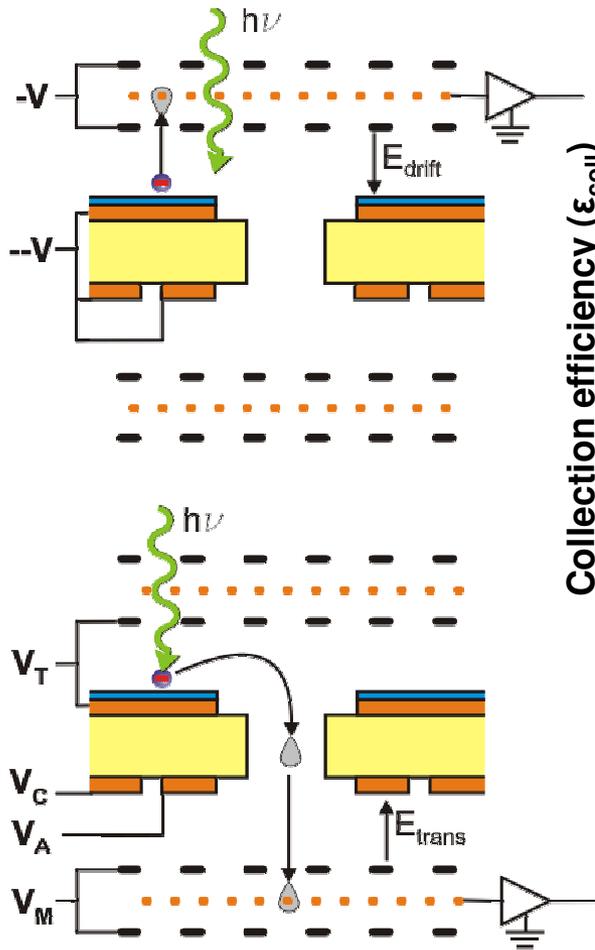
1.0 kV/cm



**Good  $\epsilon_{coll}$  is expected**

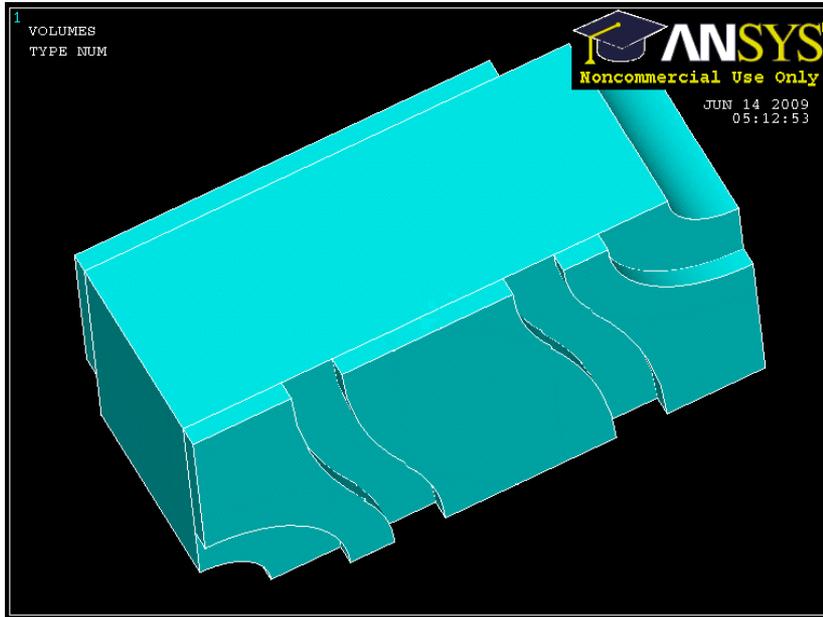
# THCOBRA Experimental Results

## Collection Efficiency ( $\epsilon_{coll}$ ) vs $V_{AC}$



- $\epsilon_{coll}$  different behaviour than expected
  - Strong  $E_{trans}$  dependence on extra electrode voltage

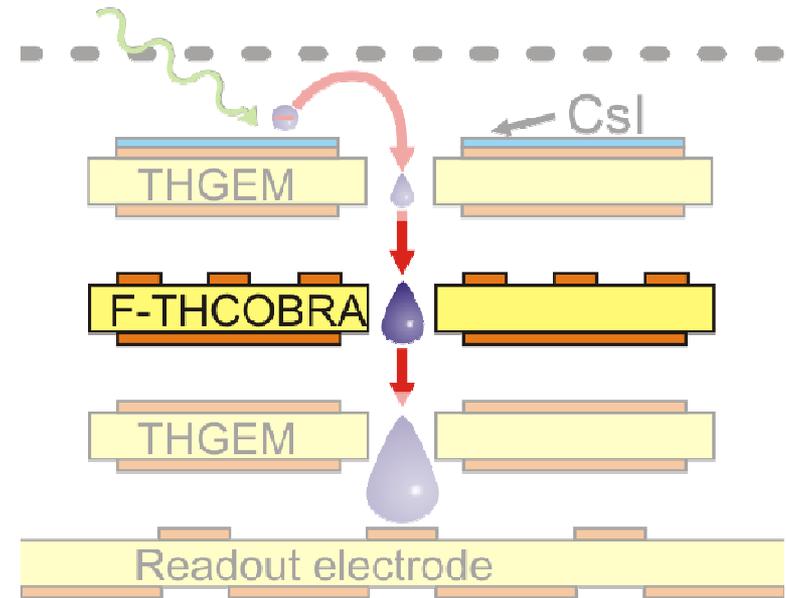
# Flipped-THCOBRA configuration



- **Simulated Dimensions:**

- Pitch = 0.87 mm
- Hole diameter = 0.21 mm
- Rim = 0.11 mm
- Thickness = 0.36 mm

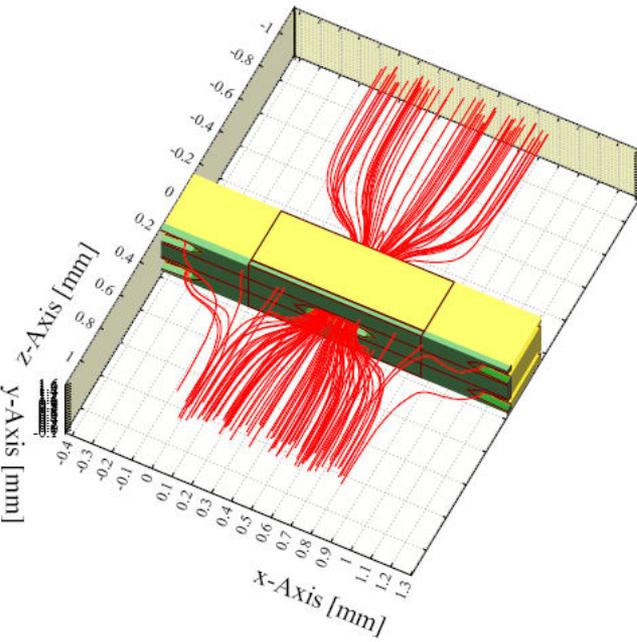
## THGEM-FTHCOBRA



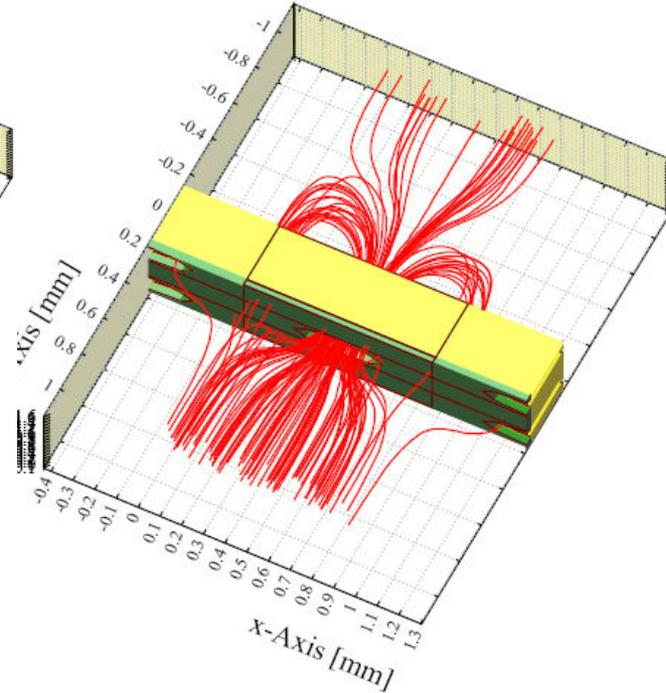
# Flipped-THCOBRA Simulation Results

## Simulated Ion Paths

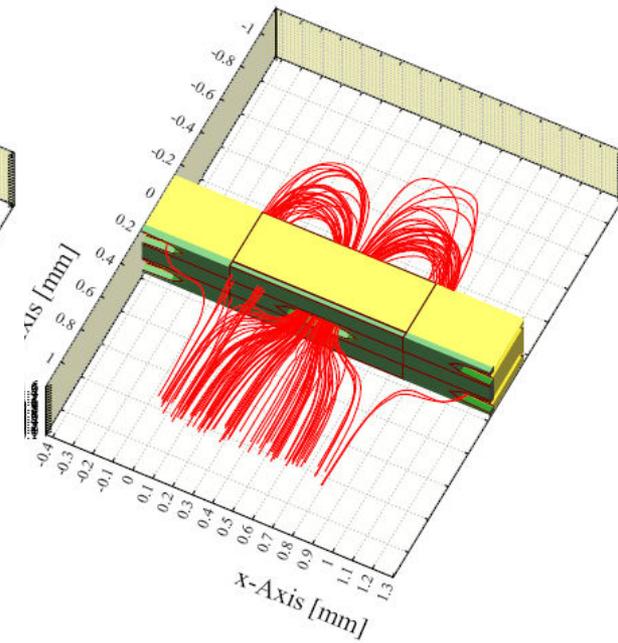
$V_{AC} = 0$



$V_{AC} = 120$

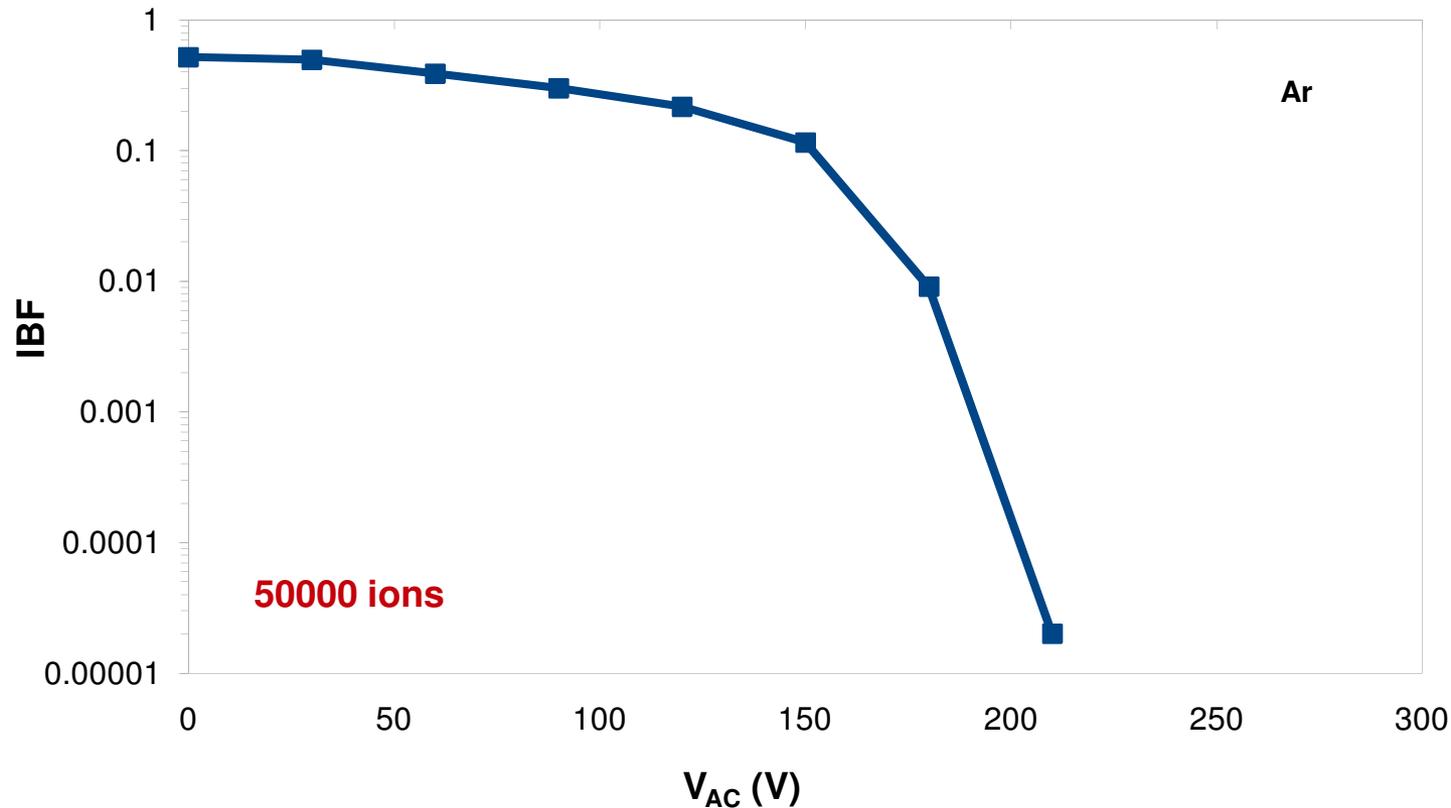


$V_{AC} = 180$



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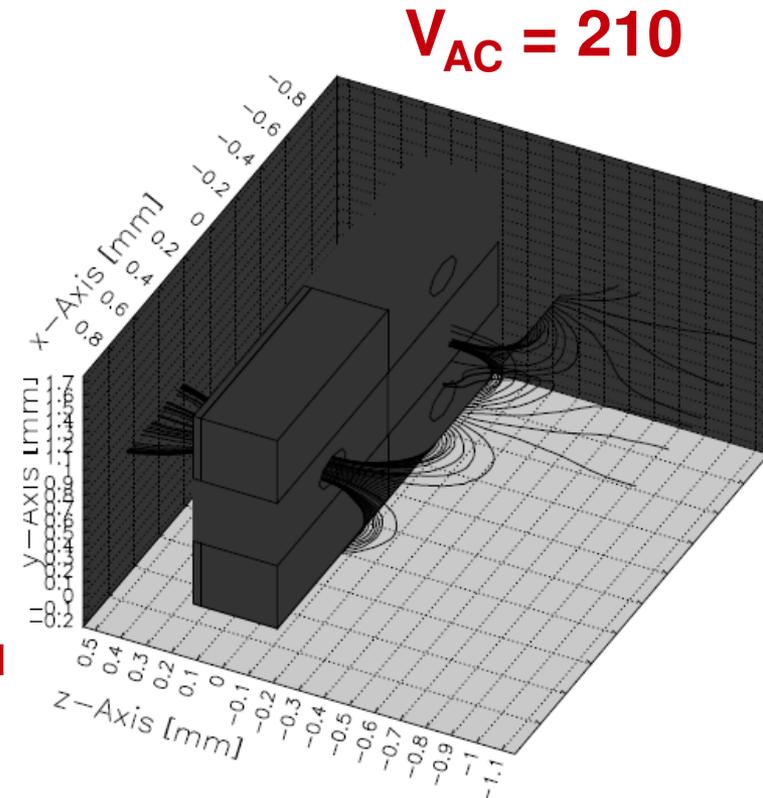
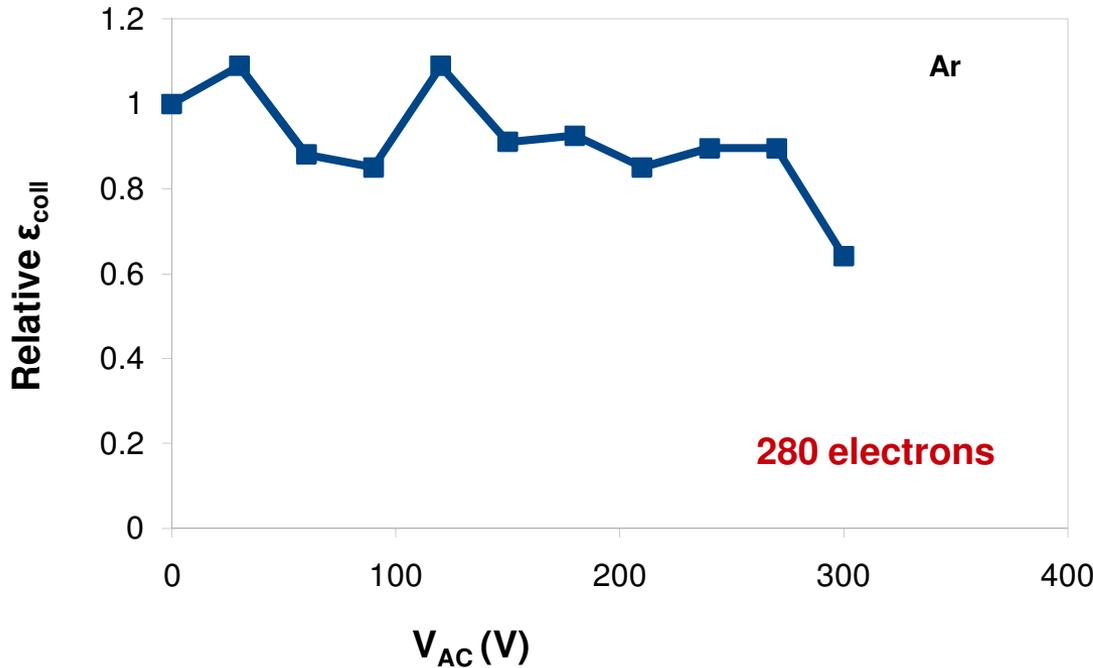
## Calculated IBF vs $V_{AC}$



**Strong IBF reduction**

# Flipped-THCOBRA Simulation Results

## Calculated Collection Efficiency ( $\epsilon_{coll}$ ) vs $V_{AC}$



After a certain  $V_{AC}$  value, electron drift lines are inverted

- Drift field compensation

# Conclusions & future work

- Both configurations shows IBF reduction

- **THCOBRA**

- IBF reduction about 5 @  $G > 100$
- New results for THCOBRA  $\epsilon_{\text{COLL}}$  are needed due to transfer field ( $E_{\text{trans}}$ ) variation

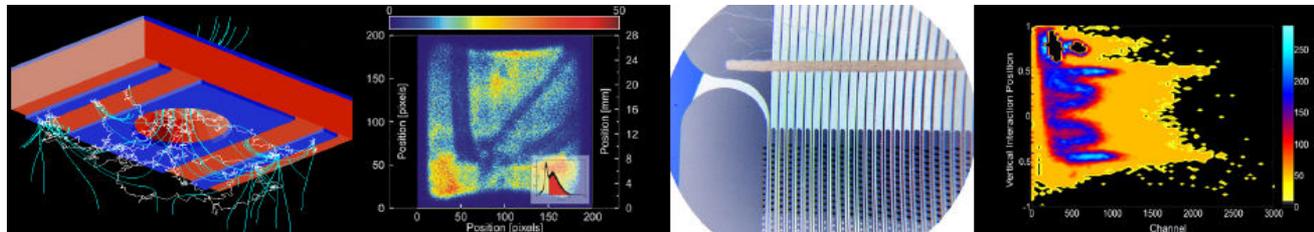
- **Flipped THCOBRA**

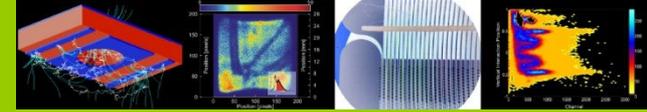
- High level of IBF reduction
- Good  $\epsilon_{\text{Coll}}$  (higher statistics will be considered)
- Experimental results are needed (in course)

- Future (in course) Work

- Optimize THCOBRA geometry will be studied using simulation.
- Implementation of THCOBRA +THGEM and F-THCOBRA+THGEM detector configurations will be done and studied

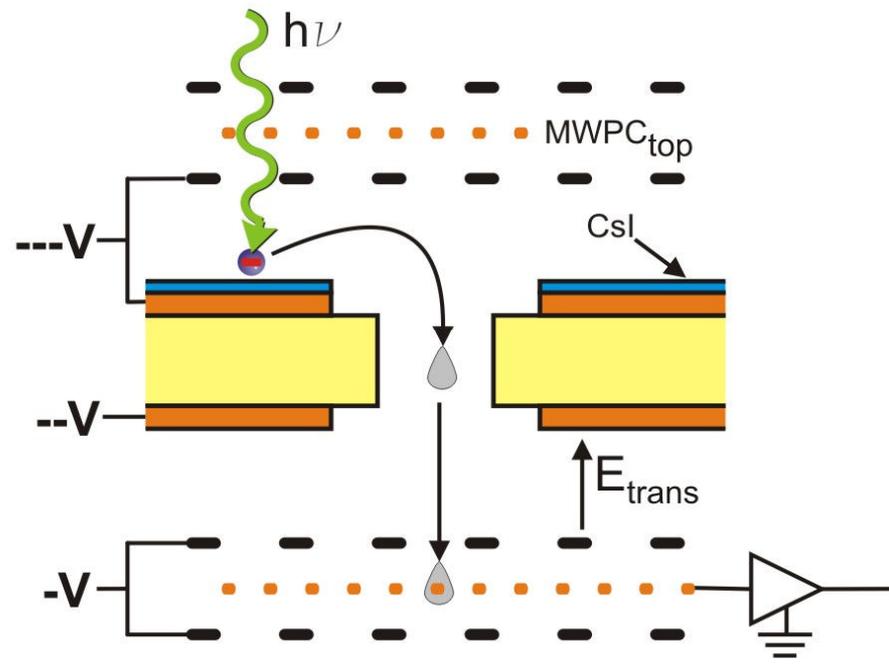
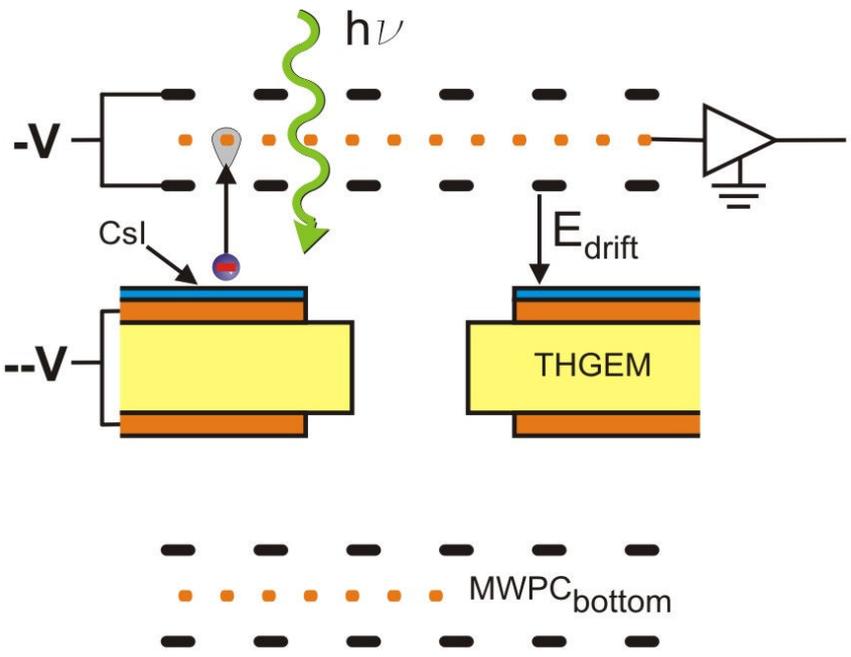
# Thanks for your attention





# Backup Slides

# Collection efficiency ( $\epsilon_{coll}$ )



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$$\epsilon_{coll} = \frac{N_{THGEM}}{N_{ref}}$$

