

Status of ADRIANO R&D in T1015 Collaboration

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Abstract. The physics program for future High Energy and High Intensity experiments requires an energy resolution of the calorimetric component of detectors at limits of traditional techniques and an excellent particle identification. The novel ADRIANO technology (*A Dual-readout Integrally Active Non-segmented Option*), currently under development at Fermilab, is showing excellent performance on those respects. Results from detailed Monte Carlo studies on the performance with respect to energy resolution, linear response and transverse containment and a preliminary optimization of the layout are presented. A baseline configuration is chosen with an estimated energy resolution of $\sigma(E)/E \approx 30\%/\sqrt{E}$, to support an extensive *R&D* program recently started by *T1015* Collaboration at Fermilab. Preliminary results from several test beams at the *Fermilab Test Beam Facility* (FTBF) of a $\sim 1\lambda_I$ prototype are presented. Future prospects with ultra-heavy glass are, also, summarized.

1. Introduction

The physics program at future lepton and hadron colliders will be dominated by studies of processes involving multi-jets event. In such an environment, calorimeters will play a fundamental role as particle detector. A broad based *R&D* and Monte Carlo simulation activity is already in progress within the lepton colliders communities[2]. Similarly, the next round of precision experiments with High Intensity beams require an excellent particle identification capability in order to reduce background from beam contamination or by-products from interactions with shield materials (i.e., neutrons, photons, etc.).

A consensus has been established on the fact that the minimum hadronic energy resolution of the calorimetric systems needed to successfully distinguish the W from the Z signal in a high energy ($E_{cm} > 500\text{GeV}$) is $\sigma(E)/E \approx 30\%/\sqrt{E}$. Such a resolution is unprecedented for a detector at a collider and it is being reached only by massive compensating calorimeters with very small volume ratio between passive and active materials[3]. However, the large size needed to contain the showers, because of their relatively low density, make them impractical to build in experiments with high energy colliding beams. It would be challenging to achieve at the same time effective compensation and shower containment. Furthermore, the resolution of traditional calorimeters is limited, among other sources, by the fluctuation in the electromagnetic (EM) content of the hadronic shower and by the unequal response of such devices to the EM and hadronic components of the shower itself[4]. In recent years, an alternative technique has been developed in order to cope with such effects: the dual-readout calorimetry[7], based on an event-by-event measurement of the EM fraction of the shower. Such a technique is based on



the simultaneous measurement of signals generated by different shower production mechanisms, thus providing complementary information on the composition of the hadronic shower.

The dual read-out calorimetry falls under two broad categories: sampling and integrally active. Sampling dual-readout techniques are currently investigated by the DREAM[7] Collaboration. However they introduce two important sources of fluctuations: Poisson fluctuations in the Čerenkov signal, induced by the low photo-electron statistics and sampling fluctuations. These fluctuations do not only impair the energy resolution for hadronic showers, but have also detrimental consequences on the detection quality of photons and electrons. Consequently, the detection of EM particles in high energy jets is similarly affected. An obvious solution to the latter problem would be to design a detector with two distinguished regions: a front EM section and a rear hadronic section. However, it is well known that such a configuration, most often consisting of media with very different properties, is sub-optimal in terms of energy measurement of hadronic particles due to the extra fluctuations introduced by the development of the shower into two different sections [4].

Integrally active dual-readout techniques are mostly free of the above limitations. Test beams and extensive simulations indicate that these techniques provide excellent energy resolution.

In this article we propose a novel Dual-Readout, Integrally Active and Non-homogeneous Option (*ADRIANO*), based on light signals produced in high transmittance optical glasses and scintillating fibers.

2. Description of *ADRIANO* techniques

The new detection technique named *ADRIANO* (*A Dual-readout Integrally Active Non-segmented Option*) is a part of an extensive *R&D* program in *T1015*[1] Collaboration. Two different layouts are currently under consideration, one being optimized for High Energy experiments, while a second addresses the requirements of High Intensity experiments.

ADRIANO for High Energy. *ADRIANO* prototypes we have built for High Energy experiments are optimized for all have a modular structure, with the base unit consisting of an individual cell of parallelepiped shape with $40 \times 40 \text{ mm}^2$ cross-section and either 15 cm or 25 cm length. The cell consists of a sandwich of scintillating fibers and high density, optical grade heavy glass. The glass behaves as an absorber and as an active medium at the same time, generating almost exclusively Čerenkov light. The scintillation and Čerenkov sections of *ADRIANO* are optically separated. Therefore, the two generated lights are well separated, with minimal chance of cross-talk. For the results presented in this report, we have considered various techniques to optically separate the two regions: white and silver coating of the glass, white coating, silver coating and aluminum sputtering of the scintillating fibers and finally, a thin layer of Teflon between the glass plates and the array of scintillating fibers.

The scintillating fibers are either accommodated in grooves formed in the glass itself or in white plastic trays sandwiched among plates of glass. They run parallel to the longitudinal axis of the cell and are responsible for the generation of the scintillation component of the dual readout calorimeter. The pitch between nearby fiber is sufficiently small compared to the nuclear hadronic interaction length of the detector so that the shower sampling fluctuations are small. The Čerenkov light generated inside the glass is collected by WLS fibers running inside grooves parallel to the scintillating fibers and optically coupled to the glass by especially formulated optical compounds. The two light components are read out at the back of each cell with two distinct photodetectors. In some sense, *ADRIANO* is a spaghetti calorimeter with the passive absorber replaced by an active, transparent absorber made of heavy glass. Another advantage of *ADRIANO* relies on the fact that the heavy glass absorber can be used to detect electromagnetic showers in exactly the same ways as it has been done in the past with lead glass based electromagnetic calorimeters. Therefore, *ADRIANO* does not require a front electromagnetic section.

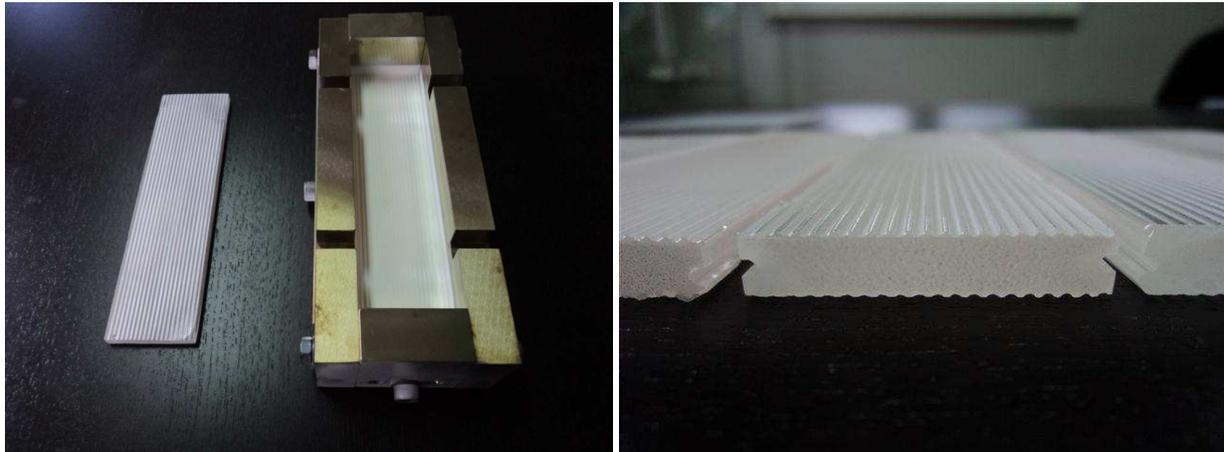


Figure 1. *Molding fabrication technology.*

Several heavy glasses (mostly lead and bismuth based) have been tested, with the intent of comparing the Čerenkov light yield and propagation. Their refractive index ranges from 1.85 through 2.24 while the densities range from $5.5g/cm^3$ through $7.5g/cm^3$. Several constructions techniques have been considered: diamond machining, precision molding, glass melting, laser drilling and photo-etching. However, only the former two have been considered for the production of the eleven *ADRIANO* prototypes presented in this report. A picture of a 8mm thick glass slice obtained with the precision molding technique is shown in Fig.1 .

A detailed description of the layouts of the eleven prototype and their corresponding construction techniques will follow in an upcoming article.

ADRIANO for High Intensity. *ADRIANO* prototypes intended for High Intensity experiments are optimized for larger light yield, rather than for high density, since they will operate mostly at lower energies and in the EM regime. They were, initially designed for the ORKA project at Fermilab, where they would operate in the 5 -100 MeV energy regime, but the layout can be properly optimized for any experiment with energy sensitivity above few MeV. In this case, we replaced the scintillating fibers with plates of thin (2 mm) and grooved extruded scintillator sandwiched between thicker (4.2 mm) heavy glass plates (Schott SF57), also grooved. Each plate is 10 cm wide and 37 cm long and it is formed with the molding technique described above. A picture of a the two plates is shown in Fig.2

The light readout of each plates uses WLS fibers: 6 for the plastic plates and 13 for the glass plates. The larger number of WLS fibers per unit surface of glass ($0.031/cm^2$ vs $0.012/cm^2$ used in the High Energy version) captures more Čerenkov photons, at the expenses of a lower average density of the detector and an increased number of light sensors.

3. *ADRIANO* readout system

The scintillating and WLS fibers from each *ADRIANO* cell were bundled and routed each to a photodetector. In order to compare the performance of the light collection system in various situations we used three different photomultipliers (R647 and H3165 from Hamamatsu and P30CW5 from Sensetech) and two different SiPM ($4 \times 4mm^2$ square and $\varnothing 2.7mm$ round from FBK) for WLS fibers and only one type of SiPM ($4 \times 4mm^2$ square from FBK) for the scintillating fibers. When PMT were used, the fibers were routed through a plastic fixture and coupled to the photosensor window with a custom made optical grease. In the case of SiPM, we used either acrylic light concentrators (designed and produced by INFN Trieste) in

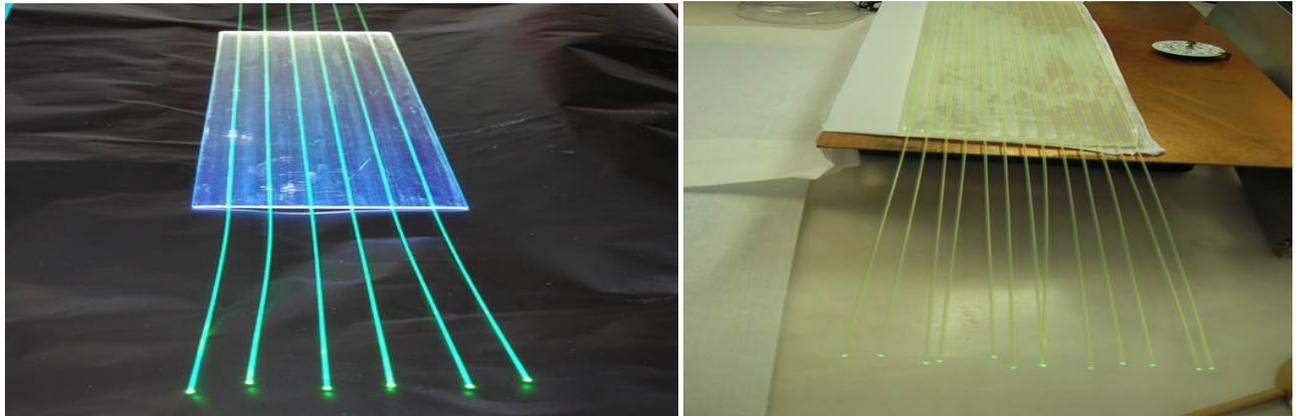


Figure 2. *Plastic scintillator (left) and glass (right) plates in the ADRIANO for High Intensity experiments.*

direct contact with the fibers on one side and spaced $0.1m\mu$ from the active SiPM surface or we routed the fibers directly to the SiPM up to $0.1m\mu$ from the active SiPM surface. A picture of a INFN-Trieste light concentrators is shown in top left of Fig.3. The output of the SiPM and PMT used was digitized by the TB4 DAQ system developed at Fermilab. Among the features of the DAQ, the most relevant for our application are:

- 50Ω inputs
- 14 bit ADC;
- ~ 30 MHz bandwidth;
- ~ 212 MSPS digitizer;
- Up to 16 channels per Motherboard;
- Bipolar, so both positive (from SiPM) and negative (from PMT's) signals can be acquired simultaneously;
- Slow-control over USB, readout over 100 Mbit Ethernet.

4. Preliminary Results From Test Beams

From March 2011 through December 2013 six test beam have been completed at FTBF Facility of Fermilab (Batavia, US). A total of thirteen *ADRIANO* cell prototypes with different dimensions and in different configurations and with different construction techniques have been illuminated by the secondary beam available at FTBF. A picture of a typical *ADRIANO* prototype for High Energy experiments, with scintillating fibers bundled together and WLS unbundled is shown in the bottom left of Fig.3

Similarly, Fig.4 shows a picture of two *ADRIANO* prototypes for High Intensity experiments, with WLS fibers from glass and scintillator plates bundled and routed to light sensors. One of the modules is intended for endcap applications, with fibers readout from one side and aluminized on the opposite side. The second prototype is intended for barrel applications, where the fibers are readout from both sides.

In summary we have tested:

- 5 glass types: lead and bismuth based.
- 3 glass coatings: TiO_2 , Silver paint, Barium sulphate.
- 3 WLS fibers: Y11 (1.2 mm) & BCF92 (1.0 mm, 1.2 mm).

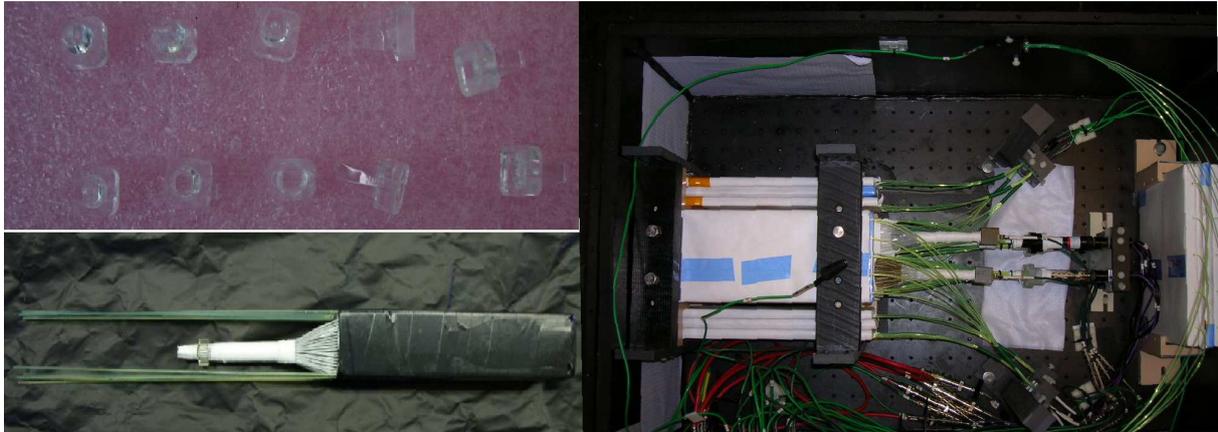


Figure 3. *INFN-Trieste light concentrators, a typical ADRIANO prototype, with scintillating fibers bundled together and WLS unbundled on the left and 2012 test beam setup at FTBF on the right.*

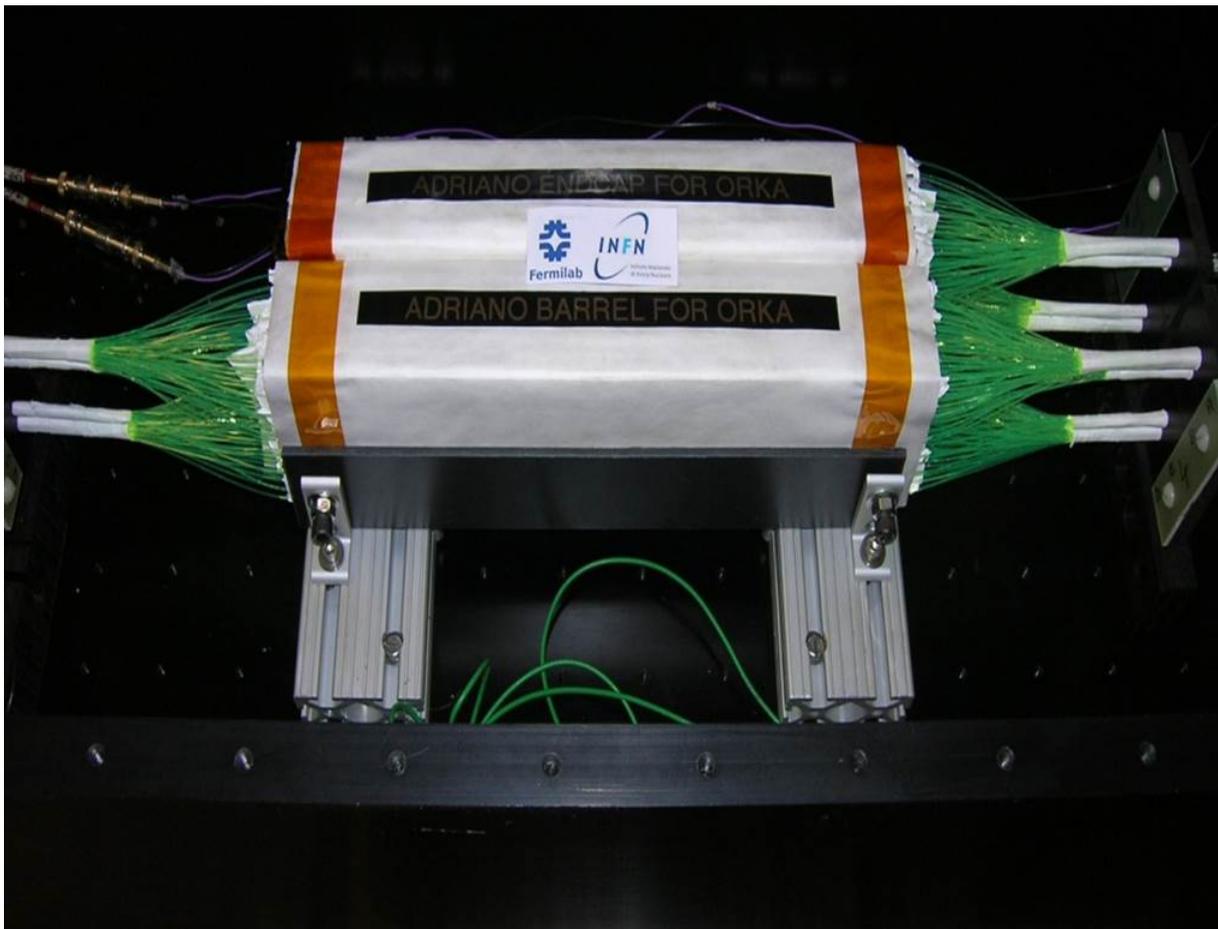


Figure 4. *ADRIANO for ORKA prototypes. Top is for endcap applications (one-side readout), while bottom is for barrel applications (two-side readout).*

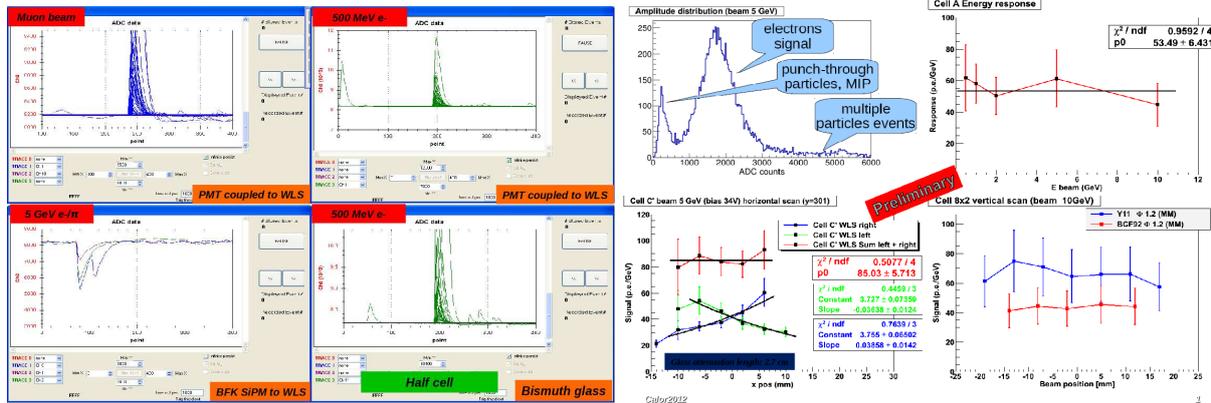


Figure 5. Typical waveforms, the Čerenkov spectrum from various prototypes and the uniformity of Čerenkov response.

- 1 Scintillating fiber: SCSF81.
- 4 scifi coating: TiO₂, BaSO₄, Silver paint, Al sputter.
- Several optical glues (mostly custom made).
- 7 photodetectors: 4 SiPMs ($\phi 2.7\text{mm}$ round and $4 \times 4\text{mm}^2$ square) manufactured by BKF and ST Microelectronics and 3 PMTs (P30CW5 , R647, H3165)
- 4 light coupling systems: direct glass + direct WLS + 4 light concentrators

The goal of these experiments were to optimize the construction technique and the materials used in order to maximize the Čerenkov light yield. We also measured some of the parameters needed for Monte Carlo simulations with ILCroot framework [8]. Due to the limited size of the cells, we do not expect to be able to test the dual-readout concept nor to evaluate the energy resolution of *ADRIANO*.

Typical waveforms for several beam configurations, as obtained by TB4 DAQ, the Čerenkov spectrum for various prototypes when exposed to a 5 GeV beam at FTBF and the uniformity of Čerenkov response across the cell are shown in Fig.4 (right side).

Similarly, Čerenkov (right) and scintillation (left) waveforms obtained from the High Intensity prototypes of *ADRIANO* exposed to a 32 GeV muons beam are shown in Fig.4. The height of the pulse digitized by the TB4 DAQ systems (with 50 Ω input impedance) is about 100 mV for the Čerenkov component and 290 mV for the scintillation component for the average energy deposited by a minimum ionizing muon in *ADRIANO* is about 27 MeV. The peak value of electronic noise is about 2.5 mV for the front-end electronics configuration in use. Therefore, assuming a threshold of three times that value, (namely 7.5 mV), we conclude that the sensitivity of the Čerenkov component of *ADRIANO* for ORKA is about 2 MeV while the sensitivity of the scintillation component is about 0.7 MeV. A full analysis of test beam data to estimate the corresponding light yield is in progress.

Finally, the Čerenkov light yield from the eleven prototypes tested at FTBF is summarized in Table 1.

5. Summary

Since the start of *ADRIANO* R&D program, we were able to constantly improve the Čerenkov light yield by refining the construction techniques and the materials employed. The current limit for a $40 \times 40 \times 250\text{mm}^3$ prototype for High Energy is roughly 160 pe/GeV, obtained at a test

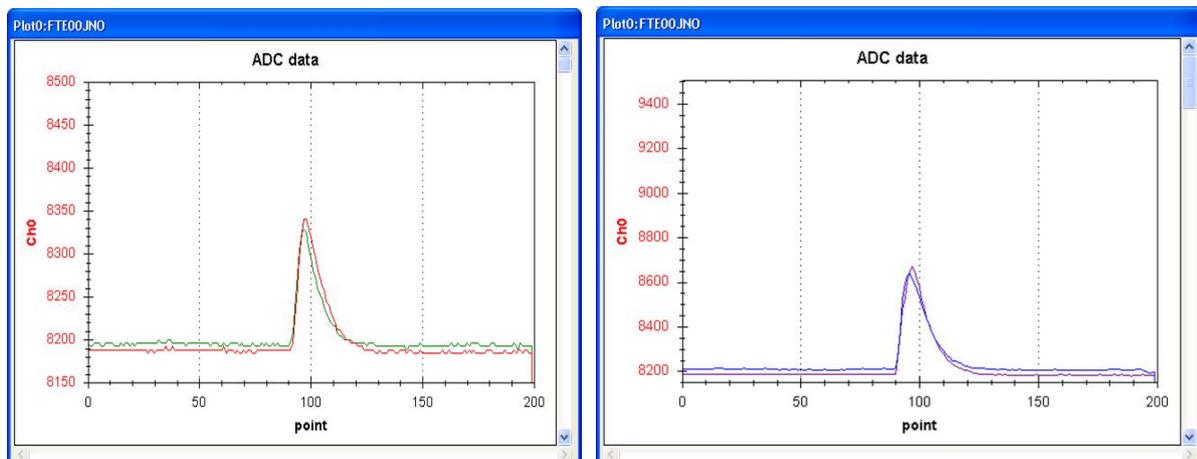


Figure 6. Čerenkov (left) and scintillatio (right) waveforms ADRIANO for ORKA prototypes at a 32 geV muon beam (FTBF).

| Prototype # | Layout | Glass | g/cm^3 | L.Y | Notes |
|-------------|---|--------------------|----------|------|----------------------|
| 1 | 5 slices, machine grooved, unpolished, white | Schott SF57HHT | 5.6 | 82 | SiPM readout |
| 2 | 5 slices, machine grooved, unpolished, white, v2 | Schott SF57HHT | 5.6 | 84 | SiPM readout |
| 3 | 5 slices, precision molded, unpolished, coated | Schott SF57HHT | 5.6 | 55 | 15 cm long |
| 4 | 2 slices, ungrooved, unpolished | Ohara BBH1 | 6.6 | 65 | Bismuth glass |
| 5 | 5 slices, scifi silver coated, grooved, clear, unpolished | Schott SF57HHT | 5.6 | 64 | 15 cm long |
| 6 | 5 slices, scifi silver coated, grooved, clear, unpolished | Schott SF57HHT | 5.6 | 120 | improved version |
| 7 | 10 slices, white, ungrooved, polished | Ohara PBH56 | 5.4 | > 30 | DAQ problems |
| 8 | 10 slices, white, ungrooved, polished | Schott SF57HHT | 5.6 | 76 | |
| 9 | 5 slices, scifi Al sputter, grooved, clear, polished | Schott SF57HHT | 5.6 | 30 | 2 wls/groove |
| 10 | 5 slices, ungrooved, polished | Schott SF57HHT | 5.6 | 158 | 2012 version |
| 11 | 2 slices, plain | Ohara experimental | 7.5 | - | DAQ problems |
| 12 | ADRIANO for ORKA - barrel (10 layers) | Schott SF57 | 5.6 | - | Analysis in progress |
| 13 | ADRIANO for ORKA - endcap (10 layers) | Schott SF57 | 5.6 | - | Analysis in progress |

Table 1. Summary of light yields for ADRIANO modules for six test beams occurred from 2011 and 2013.

beam on 2012. Few modifications to the fibers-sensor coupling were made to the same prototype in 2013 and the test beam was repeated in October 2013. The data analysis is still in progress. We found that the Čerenkov light attenuation length inside the glass absorber critically depends on coating type and on the surface finishing of the glass slice. Coupling of fibers to SiPM's is critical as well; any thin air gap between the light concentrator and the active surface of an SiPM more than halves the light yield. Kuraray Y11 fibers produced almost 50% more light than Bicon BCF92 with the same diameter. Different optical glues, used to couple the glass to WLS fibers produced up to a factor of 2 in variation of light yield. This result should not surprise since we are attempting to collect light from an optical medium with considerably large refractive index (1.8 – 2.2) by transferring the Čerenkov light to plastic fiber with far lower refractive index (typical refractive index of the external cladding of WLS fibers is 1.45). Cold vs hot glass construction methods have shown no appreciable difference in Čerenkov light yield. Direct reading of Čerenkov light from glass with an acrylic light guide coupled to the back of a cell yielded consistently less light than when reading using the WLS fibers coupled longitudinally to the cell. This is a clear indication of the fact that, with thin layers of heavy glass having an absorption length of few centimeters, it is preferable to use light collection mechanisms based on WLS fibers distributed across the glass where the short path traveled by Čerenkov photons more than compensates the lower light collection efficiency. SiPM and PMT produce comparable signals, when their respective gains are taken into account. However, large noise from present

generation of SiPM make them hard to use in low energy applications. This situation should quickly improve with the latest, low noise, generations of silicon devices.

Two prototypes of *ADRIANO* for High Intensity experiments have been designed and built in 2013. Analysis of the data taken during a two weeks test beam at the Fermilab Test Beam Facility in December 2013 is still in progress. However, preliminary studies indicate that the light yield for this layout is at least one order of magnitude better than for *ADRIANO* for High Energy experiments.

6. Future Prospects

The first four years of *ADRIANO* R&D have already produced clear directions. Precision molding technique is, at present, the preferred fabrication technique since it has the potential of making quick (less than 30 minutes) glass slices with optical surface finish and with appropriate grooves. Nonetheless, we will keep exploiting other fabrication techniques as they might have other potential advantages when compared to precision molding. Photo-etching techniques, for example, are expected to be equally fast and cheap, although they present quite severe chemical hazards.

A great boost in *ADRIANO* development is currently obtained with Ohara sponsorship/partnership as they provided bismuth glass strips of commercial optical glass (6.6g/cm^3 , $nd = 2.0$) and strips of an even denser experimental glass with density of 7.54g/cm^3 and refractive index of 2.24.

Currently, two new and larger *ADRIANO* prototypes are under construction at Fermilab both addressing High Energy experiments needs (high material density and moderate light yield). Each prototype measures about $10 \times 8 \times 105\text{ cm}^3$ and is about 40 Kg in weight. The aim of these new modules is to study the dual-readout compensation mechanism by better containing the shower. We are planning, for the medium future, to continue adding new modules to the existing setup in order to increase the containment capability of the detector by increasing its volume.

7. Conclusions

In this report we have presented the novel *ADRIANO* dual-readout technique along with preliminary results from several test beams at FTBF of eleven *ADRIANO* prototypes. The Čerenkov light yield we have obtained across the board is more than adequate for a hadronic calorimeter with an energy resolution of $30\%/\sqrt{E}$ or better. Our goal is to increase the light yield to a level that *ADRIANO* can be used as an electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeter at the same time. Hardware R&D and Monte Carlo simulations are in advanced state. More generally, current results from several test beams proved that Čerenkov light readout from heavy glasses with WLS collection system is feasible and provides equal or better results than traditional methods employing a large area PMT directly coupled to the glass. Correctly matching calorimetric techniques with SiPM and Front End Electronics is also crucial for a good performance of the detector. T1015 Collaboration will address these issues in the future and it will exploit new calorimetric techniques based on heavy glass, including scintillating heavy glasses.

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