# Request for Beam Time at the PS/SPS in 2010

**Please fill out this form by editing its electronic version (**<http://spsschedule.web.cern.ch/SPSschedule/2010/BeamRequest2010.doc>**)**

**on your computer using *Word* or *OpenOffice*, and send it to the PS/SPS physics coordinator Horst Breuker (**[sps.coordinator@cern.ch](mailto:sps.coordinator@cern.ch)**) latest by Saturday December 12 2008.**

**For questions on the beam test infrastructure, the request procedure or other help you might need to fill the request forms, please contact the liaison physicists for the beam lines Ilias Efthymiopoulos (**[Ilias.Efthymiopoulos@cern.ch](mailto:Ilias.Efthymiopoulos@cern.ch)**), Edda Gschwendtner (**[Edda.Gschwendtner@cern.ch](mailto:Edda.Gschwendtner@cern.ch)**) and Lau Gatignon (**[Lau.Gatignon@cern.ch](mailto:Lau.Gatignon@cern.ch)**) or the PS/SPS physics coordinator (**[sps.coordinator@cern.ch](mailto:sps.coordinator@cern.ch)**).**

**For points 2. to 5. further information can be found at the end of this document.**

**The 2010 CERN Draft Accelerator Schedule can be found at**

**https://espace.cern.ch/be-dep/BEDepartmentalDocuments/BE/Schedule2010.pdf**

**or at** <http://psschedule.web.cern.ch/PSschedule/> **/** <http://spsschedule.web.cern.ch/SPSschedule/>

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| **Filled in by:** |  | **Date:** |
| |  | | --- | | CHEFDEVILLE Maximilien | |  | |  | | --- | | December 1st 2009 | |

# 1. General

**Name** of the experiment or test beam activity (e.g. COMPASS, ALICE-PHOS, P-326):

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| CALICE/MICROMEGAS |

**Purpose** of the experiment or test beam activity (e.g. physics, prototype tests, detector or electronics R&D)

*Give a brief description what the experimental program / what the aim of your test beam program will be.*

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| We are developing thin Bulk Micromegas chamber of large area with 1cm2 anode segmentation for application in a digital hadronic calorimeter at a future linear collider like ILC or CLIC. These detectors are operated in a mixture of argon/isobutane 95/5 and at a maximum voltage of 500 V.  Our goal is to measure the prototype performance in a beam. We are interested in measuring efficiency to MIP particles, pad multiplicity, response uniformity and gain stability. A high energy muon beam would be preferred for that study.  We will test in a beam a 1 m2 Micromegas chamber in June. |

**Responsible person** (usually **run coordinator**, test beam coordinator, spokesperson)

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**Contact person at CERN** (if different from responsible person, **not obligatory**)

*If the responsible person is usually not at CERN, please give the name of a contact person who is usually resident at CERN, if possible*.

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| Name: | e-mail: |
| Home Institute: | |
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| other info or comment: | |

**Requested beam time** (e.g. 1 week, 1 month)

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| 15 days at the SPS (includes material installation and desintallation) |

Requested beam time at the PS East Hall of more than 14 days per year and at the SPS of more than 7 days per year needs to be recommended and approved by the relevant CERN scientific committee (e.g. SPSC, LHCC and Research Board.

**If your request exceeds 14 days per year at the PS or 7 days per year at the SPS:**

has your beam request already been submitted/recommended/approved to/by a committee? Please refer to committee minutes, if possible (<http://committees.web.cern.ch/committees/welcomeSPSC.html> )

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| This request is completed with a proposal for CERN scientific committee |

**For a beam test that is not related to any CERN experiment/project etc.**

Is your test related to an approved experiment or R & D-project of another laboratory in a CERN member/observer/non-member state, or is it an individual test? What are your requirements in terms of staff support / material support from CERN?

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| Our test is performed in the framework of CALICE and is also related to the RD51 collaboration. |

**2. Beam Requirements**

**2.1 PS (East Hall)**

**Particle type, momentum, polarity, intensity, beam size etc.** (for details see [http://ab-div-atb-ea.web.cern.ch](http://ab-div-atb-ea.web.cern.ch/)  Experiments & users)

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| East hall beam characteristics:   particle type: electrons (lower momenta), muons, hadrons, both polarities   intensity: typically 103 – 104 | | | |
| particle type | electrons | muons | hadrons |
| Polarity | positive | negative | polarity does not matter |
| momentum: | | | |
| intensity: | | | |
| Beam size: | | | |
| Other requirements or comments: | | | |

**Preferred beam line**

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| If you would like to use a preferred beam line, please indicate beam line and reason. | | | |
|  | beam line | Momentum (min. - max.) / GeV/c | your comment |
|  | T7 | 1 – 10 / primary particles |  |
|  | T8 | primary particles |  |
|  | T9 | 1 - 15 |  |
|  | T10 | 1 - 7 |  |
|  | T11 | 1 - 3.5 |  |
| **Special requests, other requirements or comments:** | | | |

**2.2 SPS (North Area)**

**Particle type, momentum, polarity, intensity, beam size etc.**

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| North area beam characteristics:   particle type: electrons (lower momenta), muons, hadrons, both polarities   momentum and intensity: 20 – 250 GeV/c, typically 104 particles per spill (+) | | | |
| particle type | electrons | muons | hadrons |
| Polarity | positive | negative | polarity does not matter |
| momentum: about 100 GeV/c momentum so that all hadrons and muons are on the relativistic rise of the energy loss and have similar dE/dx | | | |
| intensity: one hundred particles per second is the limit of our acquisition rate | | | |
| beam size: 1cm2 | | | |
| other requirements or comments: | | | |

**Preferred beam line** If you would like to use a preferred beam line, please indicate beam line and reason. **In addition, indicate if you need lower or higher momenta (20 GeV/c or below and higher than 250 GeV/c), higher intensities or primary protons!**

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|  | beam line | your comment |
|  | H2 | Experience from previous tests there |
|  | H4 | Beam line used by RD51 collaboration members |
|  | H6 |  |
|  | H8 |  |
|  | M2 |  |
|  | K12 |  |
|  | P41/61 |  |
| **Special requests, other requirements or comments:** | | |

**3. Time constraints**

**Preferred and/or excluded time of the year**  (e.g. early July/August, NOT in July, NOT before June)

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| from June to mid July, not before June, not after July |

**4. Equipment and installation**

**4.1 Type, size and weight of detector** (e.g. Silicon detector, RPCs, calorimeters)

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| Type: Gaseous detectors using Bulk Micromegas |
| Size: 1m2 chamber with 3 mm gas gap held on a structure, total thickness of 2 cm, almost transparent to beam particles. In addition: a 60x60x120 cm3 structure with small chambers and scintillators for triggering and tracking purposes placed on a 1x1 m2 XY table.  Weight: 50kg |
| Additional comments: |

**4.2 Space and electrical power requirements** (e.g. length along beam line, width, power consumption)

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| Required floor space in exptl. Area: 10m2 |
| Beam height above floor: 1.5 m |
| Max. cable length:  Space in control room: |
| Power requirements: 10 HV channels (detector and PM bias) up to 2 kV each |
| Cooling required: |
| Additional comments: |

**4.3 Additional installations** (e.g. Magnets, Platforms, Cerenkovs for particle ID)

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| Magnet: |
| Cryogenics: |
| Platforms: X-Y table with remote control from outside beam area |
| Beam instrumentation: Drift chambers for beam diagnostic |
| Additional requirements / comments: |

**4.4 Time needed for installation/de-installation**

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| Installation: 3 days |
| De-installation: 2days |
| Additional comments: |

**5. Safety Hazards**

**5.1 Flammable / poisonous gases** (e.g. Ar/CH4 90/10)

*Please check CERN safety rules and contact the PH-FGSO (PH division Flammable Gas Safety Officer* [http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch](http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch/) * Safety Committees  FGSOC) if you want to use flammable mixtures or if in doubt.*

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| Argon/isobutane 95/5 premix |

**5.2 Pressure / vacuum / cryogenics** (e.g. gas detectors under pressure, LAr detectors)

*Such equipment might need additional technical safety inspections or tests.*

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**5.3 Laser** (e.g. UV-lasers for calibration purposes, N2-, Nd:YAG-lasers)

*Please check CERN safety rules and contact the TIS-RP group (radio protection group* [http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch](http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch/) * Radiation Protection) if you want to use a laser other than a laser pointer.*

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**5.4 Irradiated materials and sources** (e.g. detectors or any materials that have been irradiated)

*Please check CERN safety rules and contact the TIS-RP group (radio protection group* [http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch](http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch/) * Radiation Protection) if you intend to make an irradiation of material or want to use any irradiated and activated materials.*

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**6. Additional comments from your side**

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| More comments / questions: |

**After your beam request has been submitted, you may be asked by the SPS/PS Coordinator to supply more information if necessary.**

**Additional explanations to points 2. – 5.**

**2. Beam Requirements**

**Particle type, momentum, polarity, intensity, beam size** (e.g. muons, electrons, hadrons, 104 particles per spill) and **Preferred beam line** (e.g. T7, T8, T9, T10, T11 at the PS or H2, H4, H6, H8 at the SPS)

*Information on the characteristics of the various beam lines can be found on the web (*[http://ab-div-atb-ea.web.cern.ch](http://ab-div-atb-ea.web.cern.ch/) * Experiments & users). Some beam lines are more suited to certain particle types and energies than others, e.g. the H4 beam is the best beam line for high energy electrons (up to about 300 GeV/c). If you would like to use a preferred beam line, please indicate.*

*A variety of particle types, intensities and particle densities from secondary or tertiary beams is available. As neighboured beam lines might share secondary beams from the same target, there are correlations between those beam lines. At the PS East Hall, T9/T10/T11 are using the same (North) target. At the SPS, H2/H4 and H6/H8 are making use of beams from the same target, respectively. Only users whose beam requirements are compatible are able to run in parallel in those beam lines. Thus, please give as much information as possible here, e.g. if you need hadrons(pions) or electron enriched beam. Please also specify if you need a particular polarity (e.g. negative pions only) or if the polarity doesn't matter. The choice of polarity can have a big impact on the scheduling.*

**3. Time constraints**

**Preferred and/or excluded time of the year**  (e.g. early, late, July/August, NOT in July, NOT before June)

*Please indicate the preferred running period. Please also give your excluded running periods if any, e.g. NOT in July due to conferences or NOT before June because your detector might not be ready. This information helps a lot to solve conflicts if the schedule becomes tight.*

**4. Equipment and installation**

**4.1 Type, size and weight of detector etc.** (e.g. Silicon detector, RPCs, calorimeters)

*Please indicate (if possible), amount of radiation/interaction length. If you have a "transparent" detector (e.g. tracking detector), other parasitic users further downstream may be able to use the beam as well. This usually is more difficult if your detector is a calorimeter where only muons get through.*

**4.2 Space and electrical power requirements** (e.g. length along beam line, width, power consumption)

*Space along the beam line could be limited by additional Cerenkovs, mobile beam instrumentation or magnets that you might not find on drawings. If your electronics has large power consumption, please indicate the approximate power needed (kW).*

**4.3 Additional installations** (e.g. Magnets, Platforms, Cerenkovs for particle ID)

*If you need additional installations, e.g. magnets etc. please bare in mind that they need cooling water, cables and power supplies. Although a magnet apparently looks installed in a beam area, it might not be operational as e.g. cables or power supplies might be in use elsewhere. A limited number of Cerenkov detectors for particle ID are available. Please indicate early enough if you intend to use them.*

**4.4 Time needed for installation/de-installation**

*The allocated time period includes the time needed for installation/de-installation. It is assumed that you remove your equipment completely from the beam area and the electronic huts* ***before*** *your time period has been finished and the hand-over to the next user takes place. Please contact the SPS/PS Coordinator if you want to keep equipment in the beam area after your time period is finished.*

**5. Safety Hazards**

*Because of its international status and because some of its activities are unique in Europe, CERN has its own specific safety regulations. Please make yourself familiar with the safety regulations at CERN,* [http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch](http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch/)*.*

*Be aware that there exists an obligatory form on* ***Initial safety information on experiments at CERN*** *(***http://ph-dep.web.cern.ch/ph-dep/Safety/Forms/Experiments/ISIECv09.xls***).**The form needs to be filled by all new experiments, new test beam users or in case of major modifications of existing equipment and sent to the PH Division Safety Officer DSO (*<http://ph-dep.web.cern.ch/ph-dep/Safety/SafetyOfficers.html>*)*

5.1 **Flammable / poisonous gases** (e.g. Ar/CH4 90/10)

*If you need to use any gases, please indicate the gases and give their mixture even if you believe that the mixture is non-flammable. CERN rules on flammability are in general more strict and gases might be considered flammable at CERN but non-flammable elsewhere. Please contact the PH-FGSO (PH division Flammable Gas Safety Officer* [http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch](http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch/) * Safety Committees  FGSOC) if you want to use flammable mixtures or if in doubt.*

**5.2 Pressure / vacuum / cryogenics** (e.g. gas detectors under pressure, LAr detectors)

*Such equipment might need additional technical safety inspections or tests.*

**5.3 Laser** (e.g. UV-lasers for calibration purposes, N2-, Nd:YAG-lasers)

*Any lasers and in particular UV-lasers require special protection measures depending on their energy or power. These could be protecting tubes or special glasses for people working with them. Please contact the TIS-RP group (radio protection group* [http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch](http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch/) * Radiation Protection) if you want to use a laser other than a laser pointer.*

**5.4 Irradiated materials and sources** (e.g. detectors or any materials that have been irradiated)

*If you intend to make an irradiation of material or want to use any irradiated and activated materials, the TIS-RP group (radio protection group* [http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch](http://safety-commission.web.cern.ch/) * Radiation Protection) should be contacted well in advance. Irradiation of materials in general requires an* ***irradiation permit*** *(Radiation Protection Procedure PRP 17, form available from TIS-RP or as EDMS document ID 338324* <https://edms.cern.ch/document/338324/2.1>*). Depending on the expected activation, a detailed work and dose planning might be required to avoid unnecessary high personal doses. Use of strong sources or radioactive gases, e.g. Kr83 for calibration purposes also might require additional safety measures.*