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Résumé

- ◇ Ph.D. in Physics, Particle Astrophysics
- ◇ Research scientist @ UdeM since 2017
- ◇ UdeM LTA manager
- ◇ Present/past experiments
 - ◇ PICO
 - ◇ Systems engineering lead
 - ◇ SBC
 - ◇ Picasso
- ◇ Contributions
 - ◇ SuperCDMS
 - ◇ UdeM Faculty of Medicine
 - ◇ UdeM Astrophysics

- ◇ Skills
 - ◇ Mechanical/electrical engineering
 - ◇ CAD
 - ◇ SolidWorks, AutoCAD
 - ◇ Coding/computing/networking
 - ◇ Labview, C++, Python, Arduino & Co.
 - ◇ FEA simulations
 - ◇ COMSOL
 - ◇ Tandem accelerator operator
 - ◇ Vacuum systems
 - ◇ 3D printing
 - ◇ Manual skills
 - ◇ Micro soldering, electrical work, construction, assembly

PICO

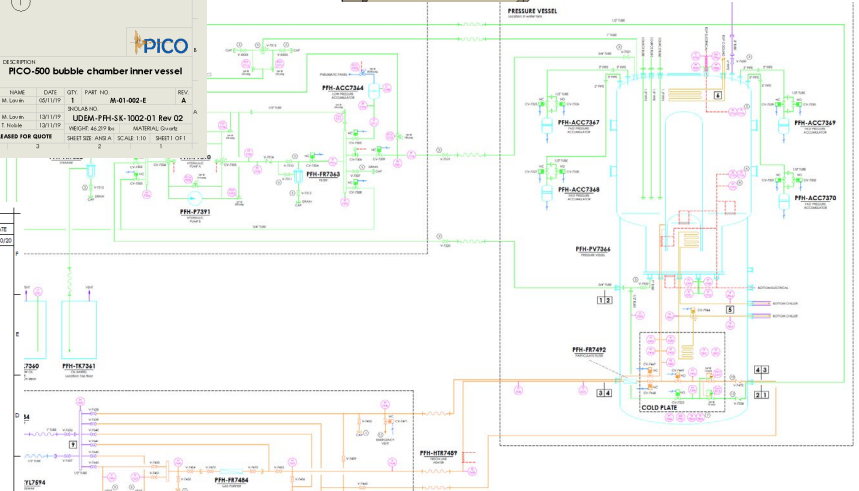
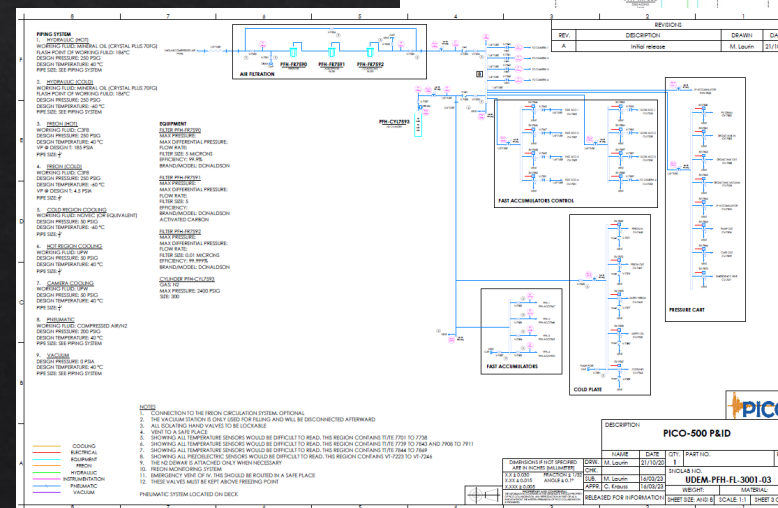
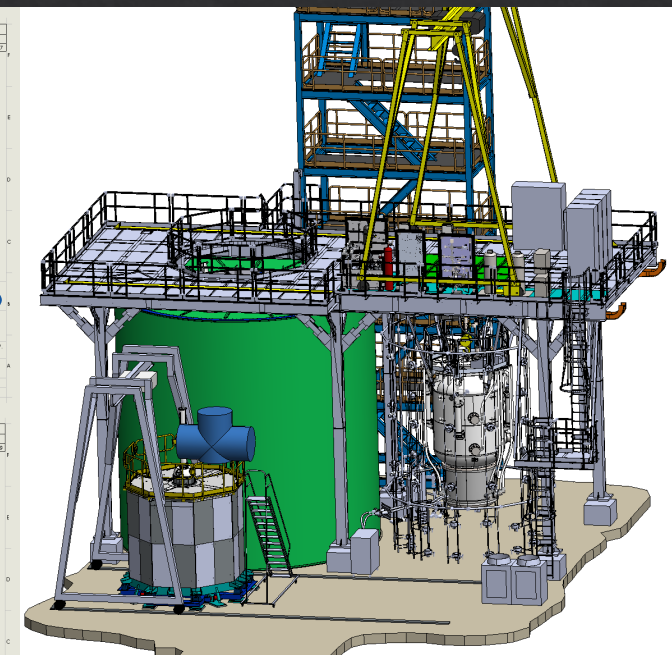
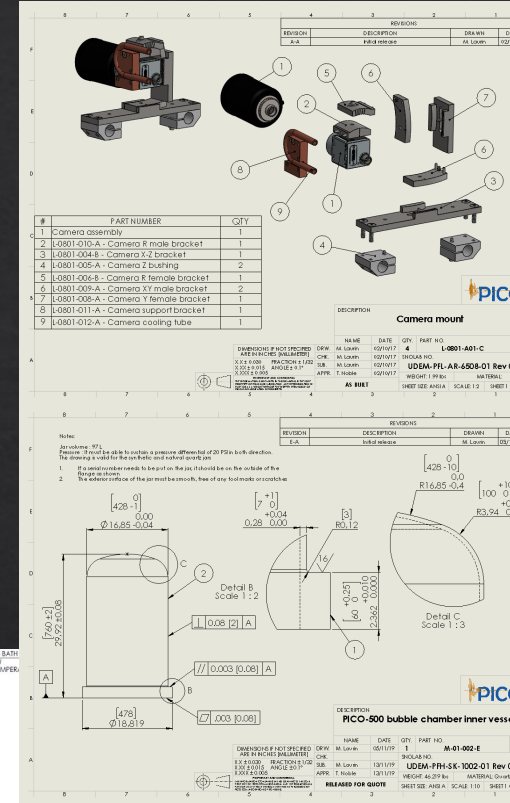
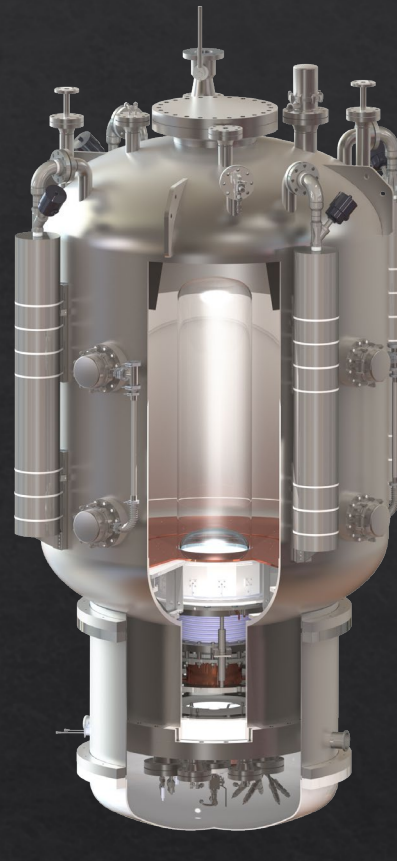
◆ CAD

◆ Worked on almost all systems!

◆ 3D, 2D, rendering

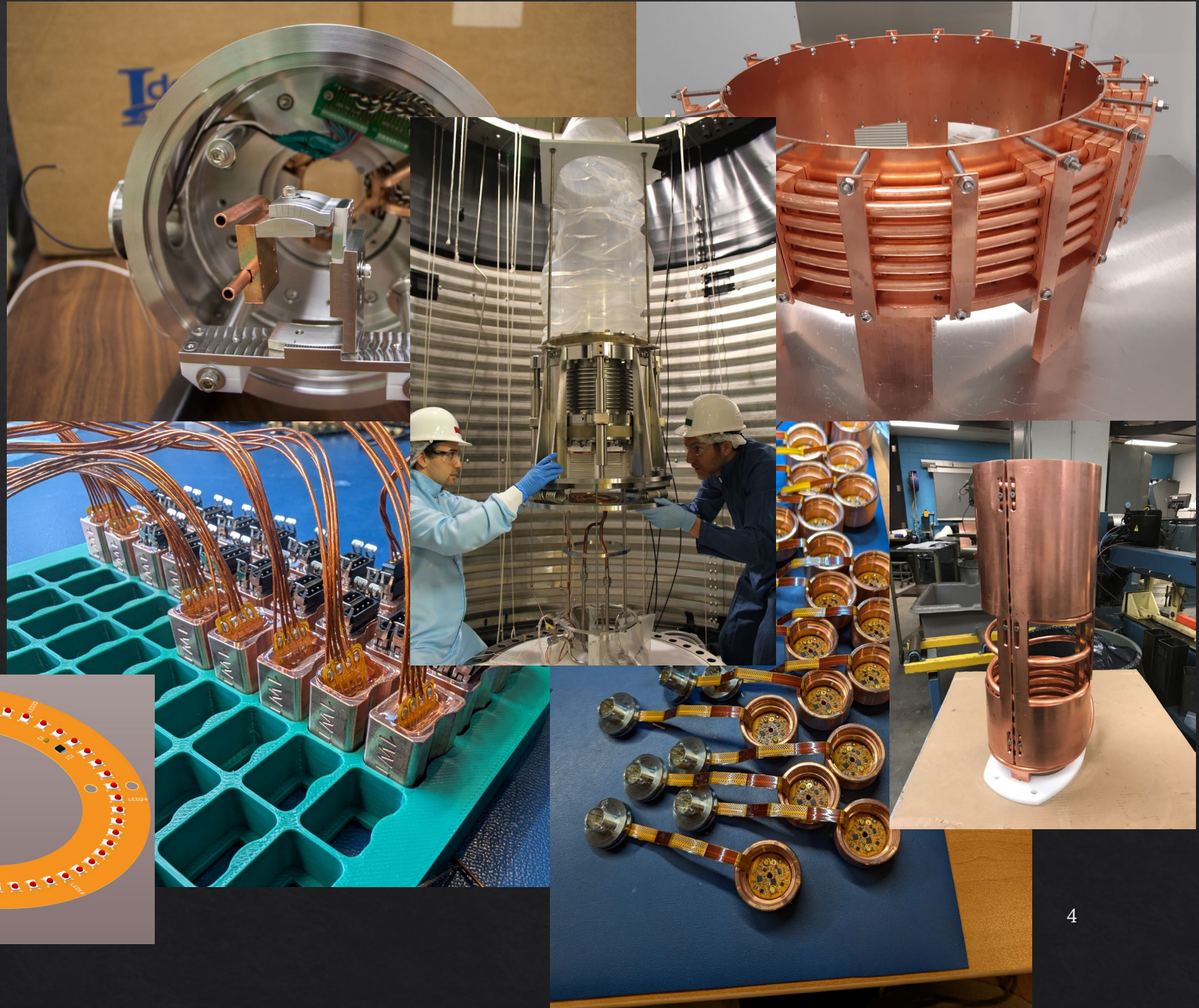
◆ P&ID

◆ Full system P&ID



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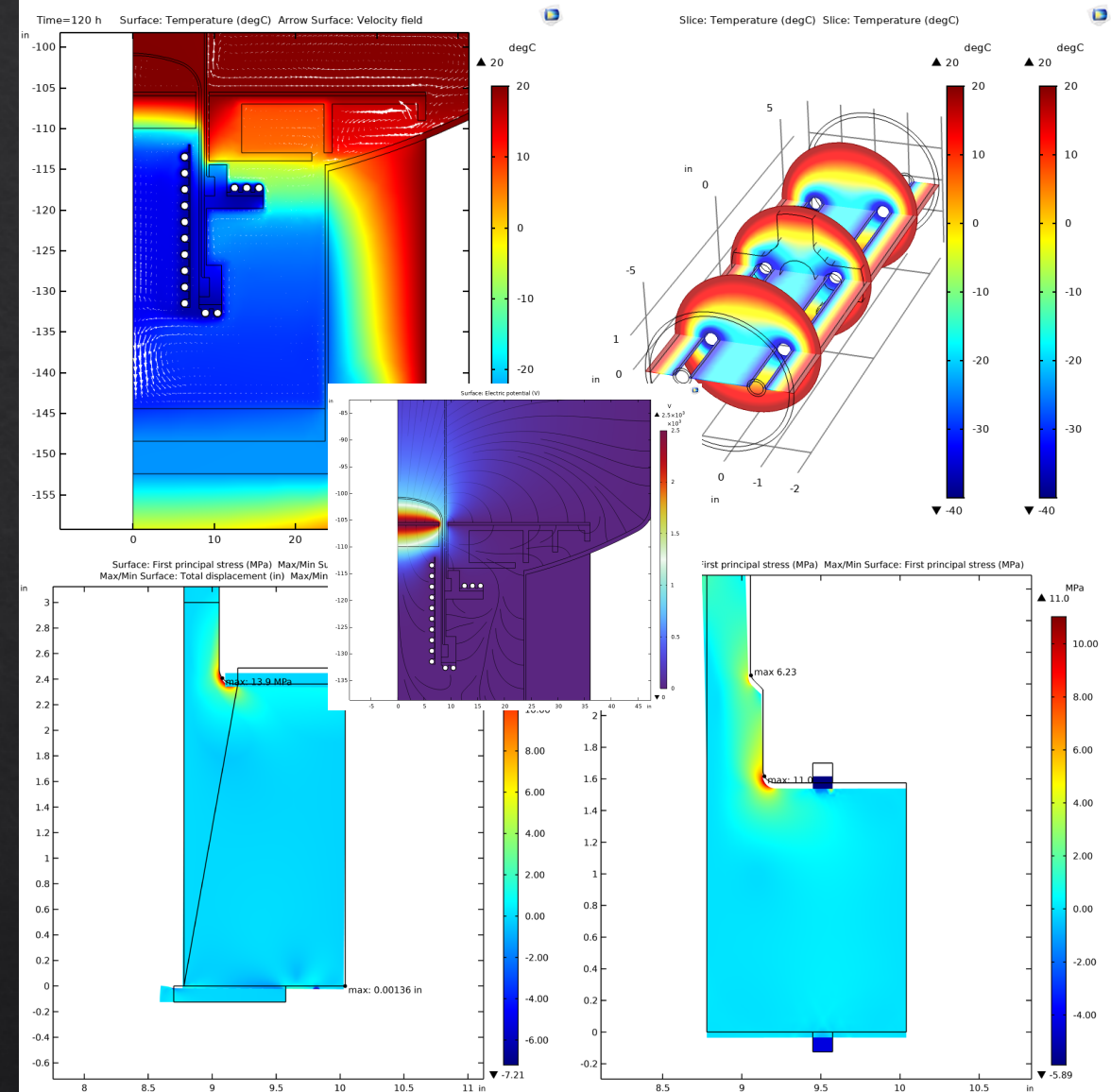
- ◆ Several builds
 - ◆ Camera mounts and LED rings
 - ◆ Temperature sensors
 - ◆ Cooling coils
 - ◆ Acoustic sensors
 - ◆ PICO-40L



PICO

◆ FEA

- ◆ Jar seal stresses
- ◆ Detector cooling convection
- ◆ Cooling conduit thermal losses
- ◆ HV electrode field



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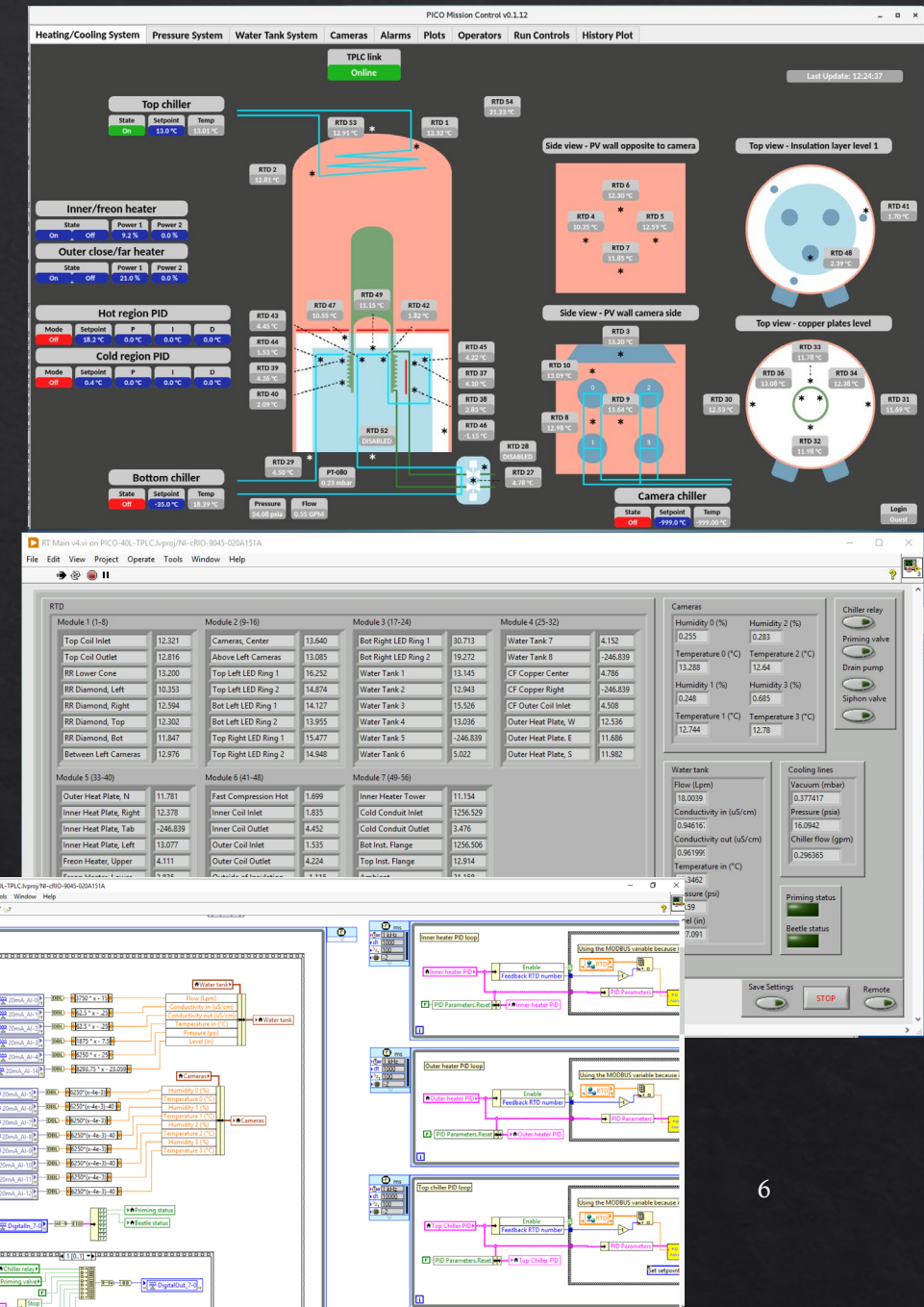
Software

◆ PICO mission control

- ◆ Python/QT GUI
- ◆ Detector monitoring and control
- ◆ Alarm management
- ◆ History plots

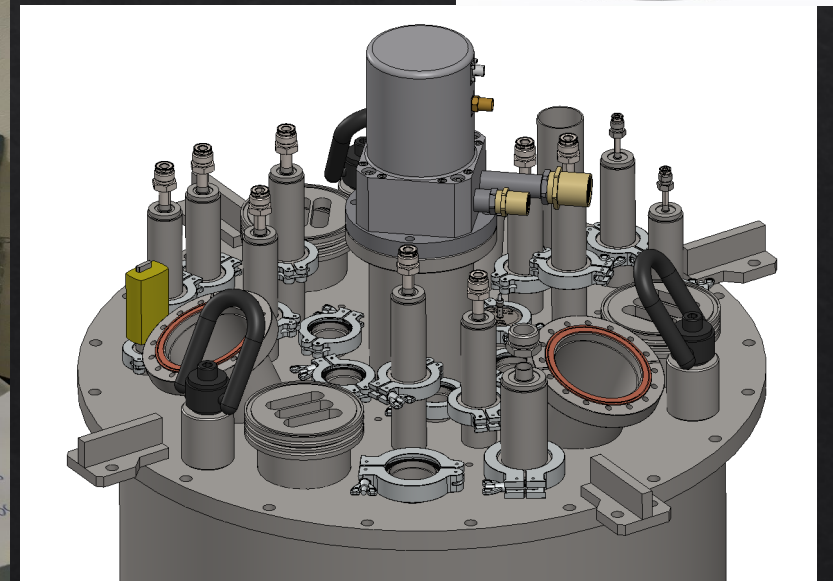
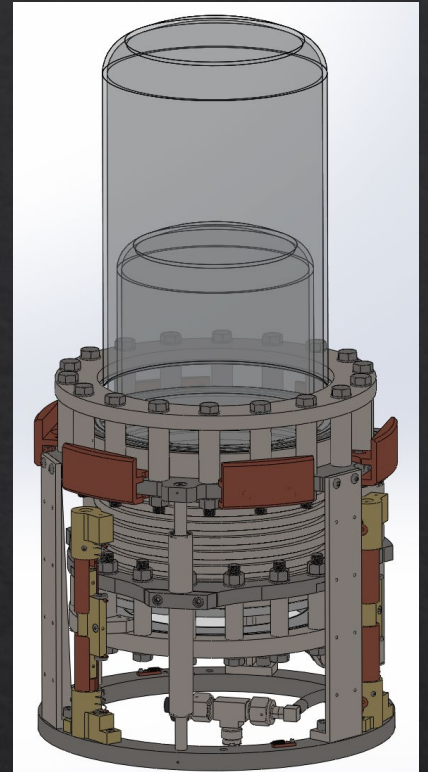
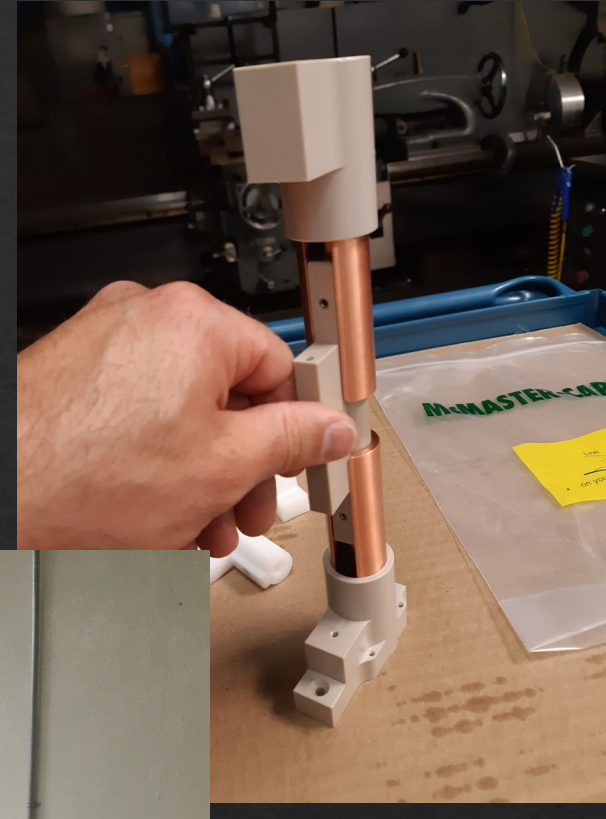
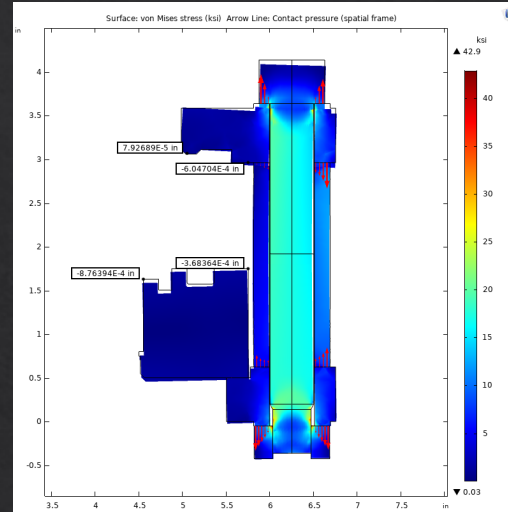
◆ Temperature and pressure PLCs

- ❖ Labview cRIO
- ❖ Instrumentation drivers
- ❖ State machines



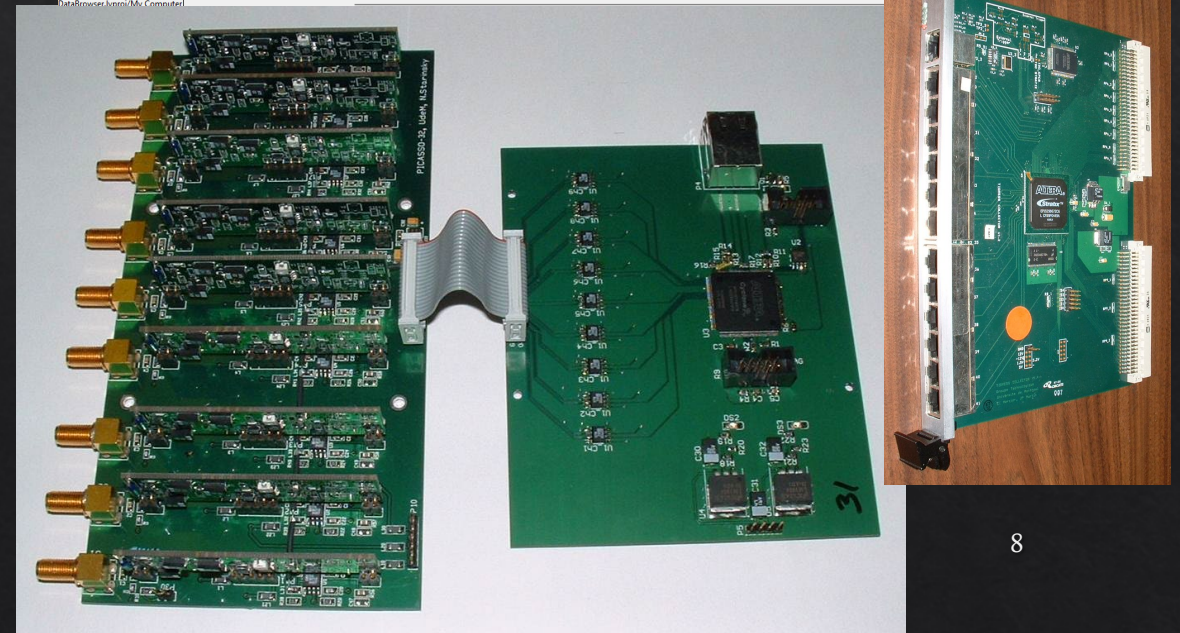
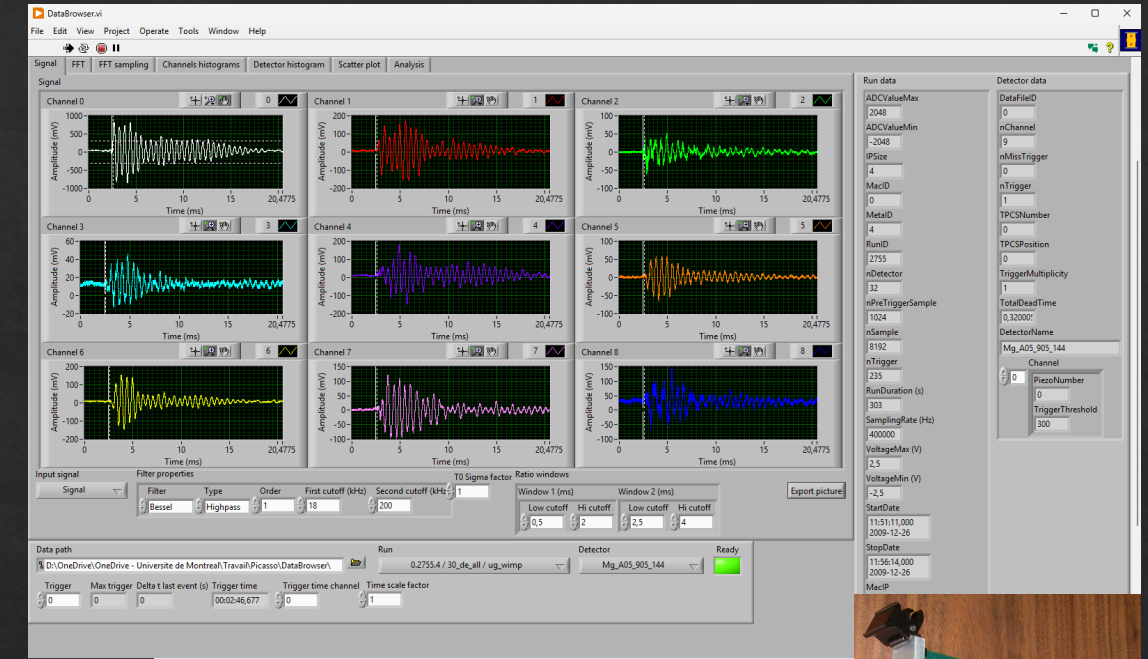
SBC

- ◇ Inner vessel design
 - ◇ Jar and bellows system
 - ◇ Jar seal
 - ◇ Capacitive position sensor
 - ◇ Heating and insulation
 - ◇ HV electrode
- ◇ Vacuum jacket lid design
 - ◇ FEA simulation
 - ◇ Mechanical stresses
 - ◇ Seals
 - ◇ Thermal
 - ◇ HV electrode field



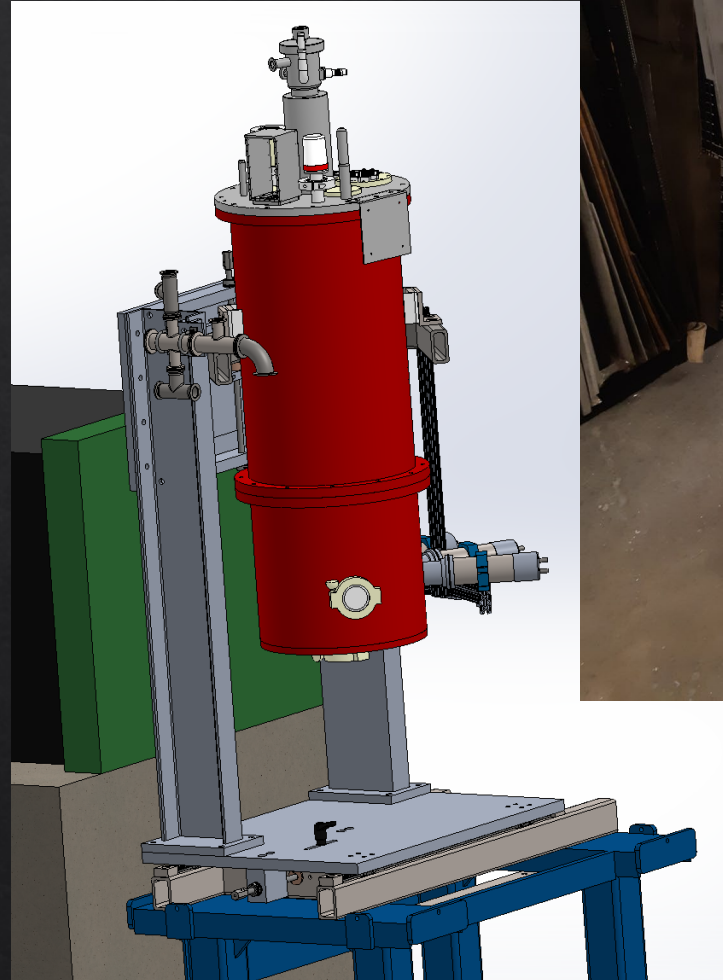
Picasso

- ◆ Data browser
 - ◆ Labview event display
 - ◆ Basic live analysis
- ◆ Electronic upgrade
 - ◆ Acoustic pre-amp modifications
 - ◆ Gain, filtering, offset
 - ◆ FPGA code modifications
 - ◆ New test modes
 - ◆ Sampling frequency doubling



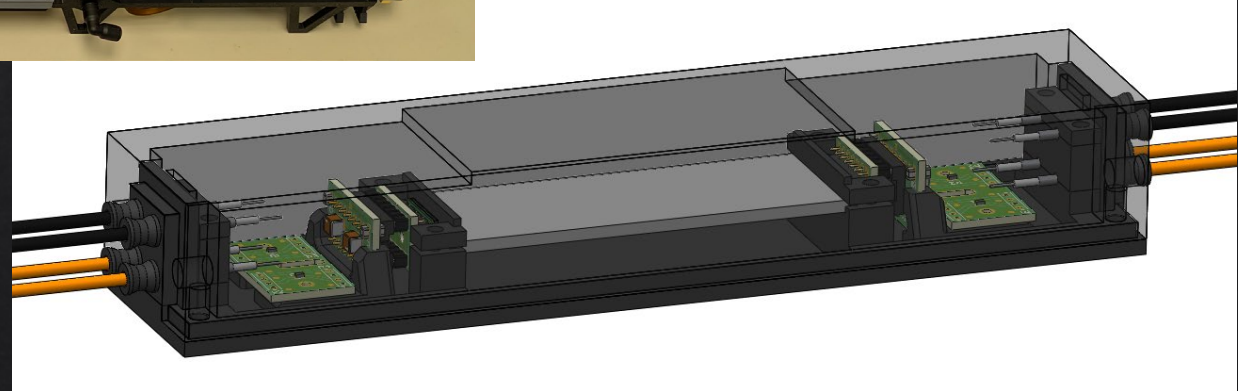
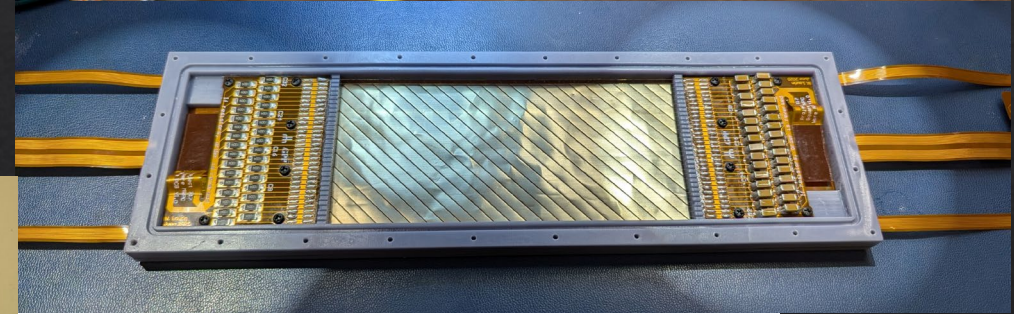
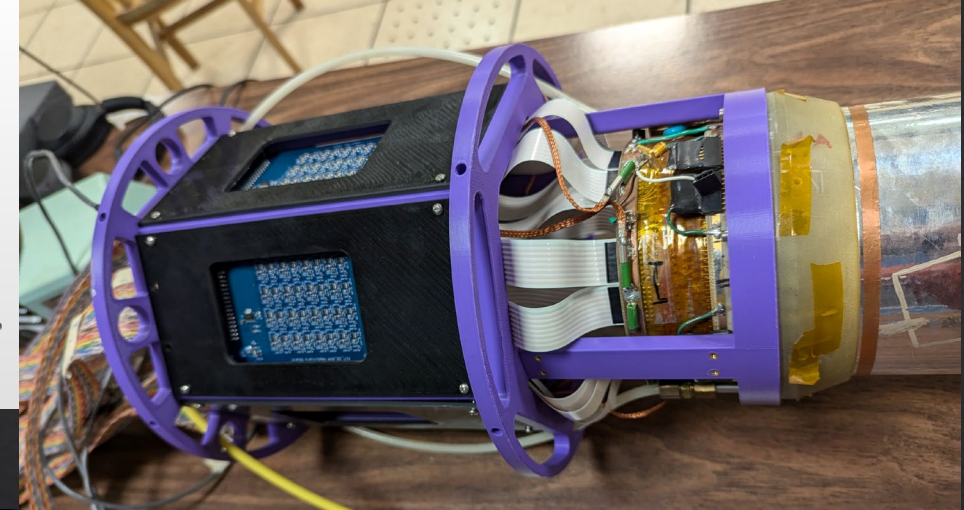
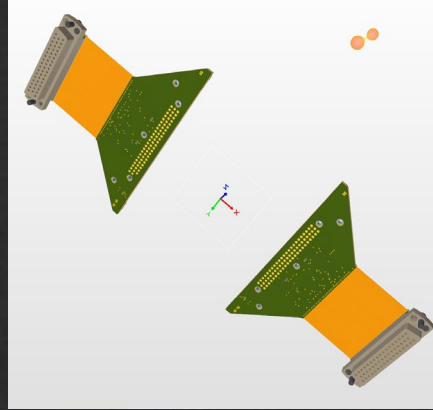
SuperCDMS

◆ Desing of a new cryostat stand



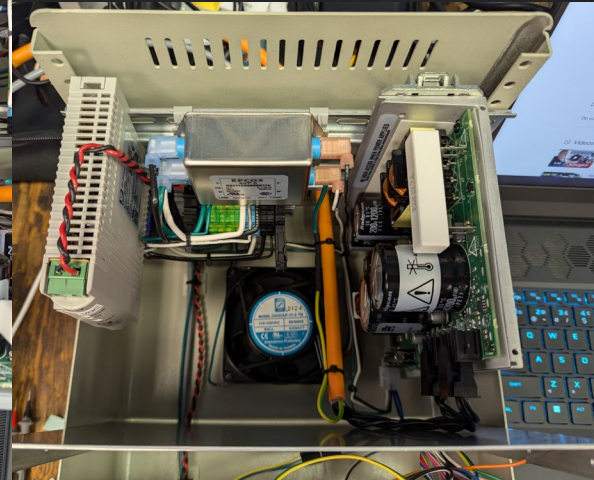
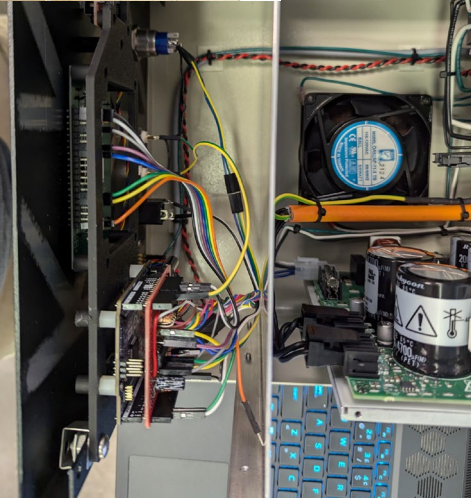
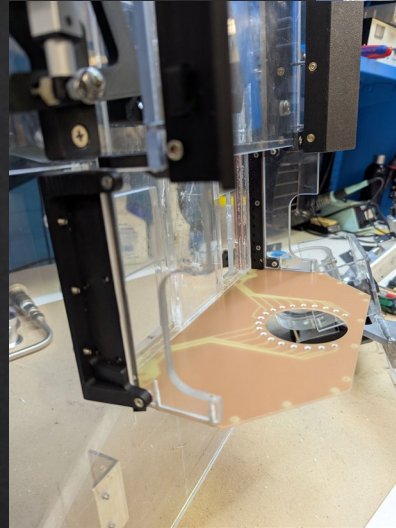
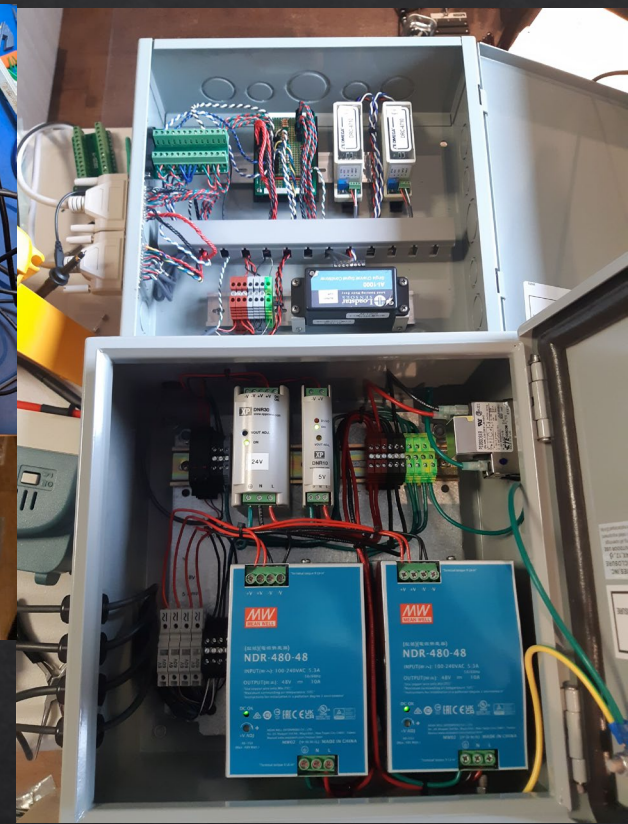
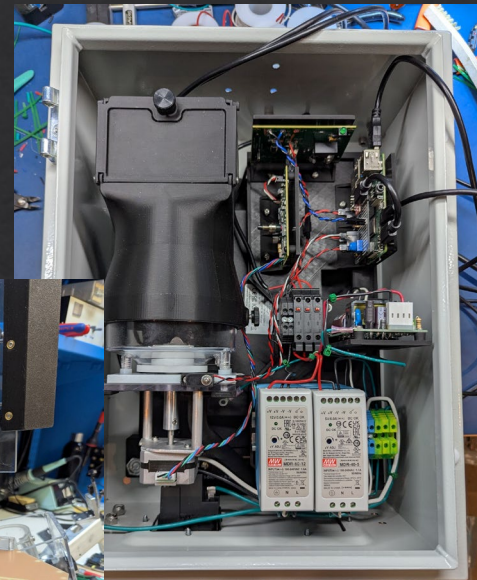
Other projects

- ◇ EMCCD PCB modifications
- ◇ MWPC pre-amps support structure
- ◇ Small MWPC prototype
- ◇ dE scintillator detector with SiPM



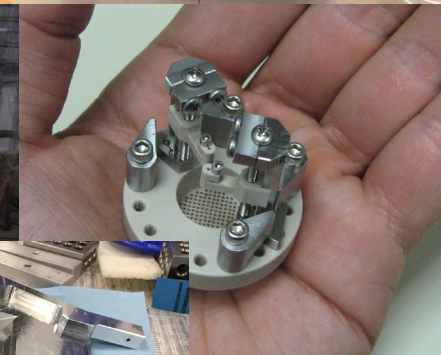
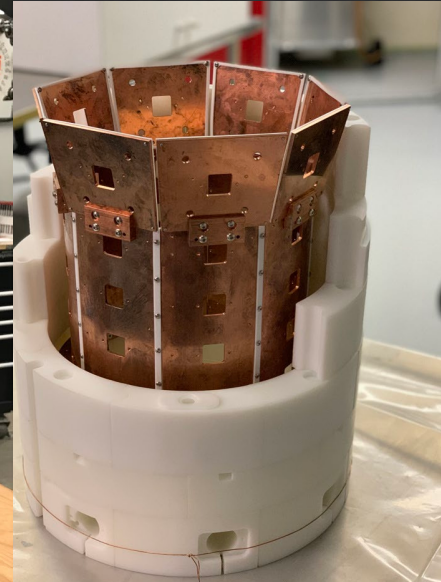
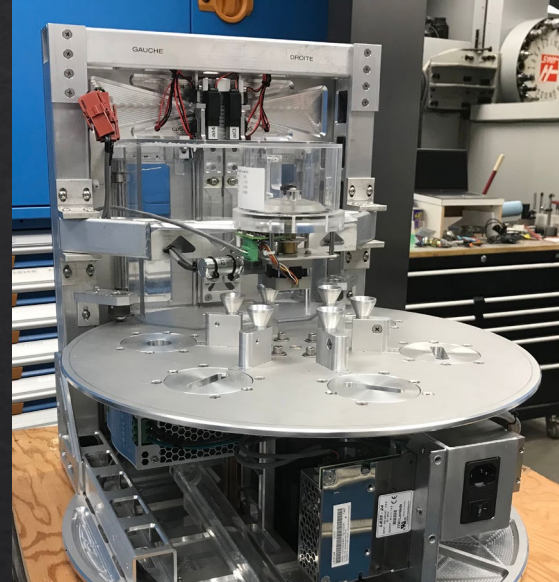
Faculty of Medicine

- ◇ Integrated systems
 - ◇ Treadmill motor controller
 - ◇ Monkey training touchscreen with reward dispenser
 - ◇ Loadcell readout and PSU
 - ◇ IR beam detector
 - ◇ Various smaller devices



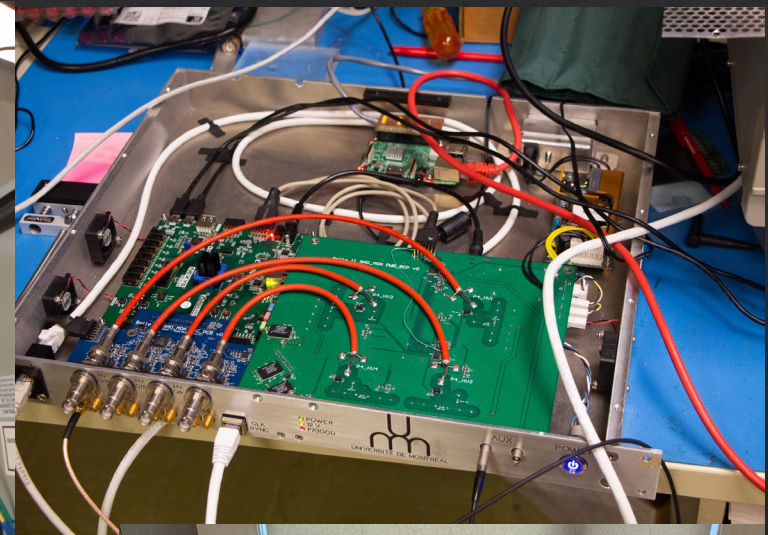
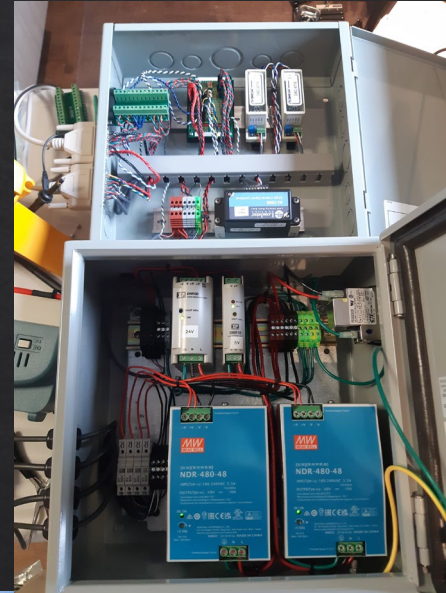
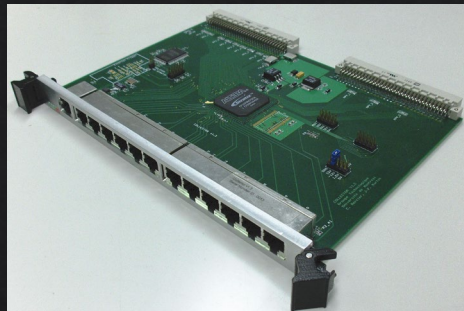
LTA (Laboratoire Technologique Avancé)

- ◇ <https://wiki.umontreal.ca/spaces/LTA/overview>
- ◇ Machine shop
 - ◇ CNC/conventional machining
 - ◇ Welding/brazing
 - ◇ Laser cut/waterjet
 - ◇ 3D print (FFF, SLA)



LTA (Laboratoire Technologique Avancé)

- ◇ Electronics workshop
 - ◇ High-speed/low noise analog electronics
 - ◇ FPGA/firmware design
 - ◇ Embedded trigger/DAQ systems
 - ◇ Microcontroller systems
 - ◇ HV systems
 - ◇ Prototyping



LTA (Laboratoire Technologique Avancé)

- ◇ 6 MV Pelletron Tandem accelerator
 - ◇ 11 MeV proton energy
 - ◇ 15 μA current
 - ◇ ~ 0.1 keV resolution
- ◇ 1.7 MV Tandetrion accelerator
- ◇ Material analysis
 - ◇ c-RBS
 - ◇ ERD-TOF
 - ◇ μ -PIXE
- ◇ Monoenergetic neutron (4.8 to 118 keV)
- ◇ 10 000 class cleanroom with UPW

