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# Ultimate Low-Light Level Sensor Development

# SENSE

## WP2: Results & Outlook

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## Tasks of WP2: R&D Cooperation

2.1 Agreement on R&D cooperation between research groups and

industry for advancing LLL sensors

2.2 Linking to other European initiatives (strong connection with  
APPEC, ATTRACT and IdeaSquare@CERN, not yet with

Photonics21)

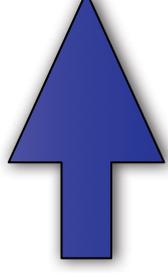
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2.3 Fostering the exchange between academia and industry



## Cooperation agreement:

- University of Geneva, DPNC
- Max-Planck-Institute für Physik
- KIT-Centrum Elementarteilchen und Astroteilchenphysik
- DESY-Zeuthen
- INAF-Osservatorio Astrofisico di Catania
- Institute for Space-Earth Environmental Research, Nagoya University
- MPI - Heidelberg



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Consortium

Currently signed by 3 partners, other signatures on the way



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## Ultimate Low-Light Level Sensor Development



### Cooperation Agreement for providing a framework for the testing and performance studies of photosensors

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#### Preamble

#### Considering that:

various Institutions and industrial partners, have expressed their interest in carrying out together a *long-term detector R&D for future ultimate photosensor*, which also includes an educational and technology training component.

These activities, referred to as **SENSE Cooperation Agreement**, comprise detector testing and prototyping, electronics design, computer simulations, end-user need analysis and more, are to be performed in the partner laboratories and at the CERN IdeaSquare testing facility on SiPM.

These experimental activities aim at exploring new detector technologies for physics experiments and industrial applications, while engaging students from different fields and school levels and industrial partners.

Exploring new technologies with validated test benches

Open access publications

The partners of this Agreement communicate through the Technology Exchange Platform



## Working plan for WP2:

1. Define & contact research groups with experience in LLL
2. Prepare cooperation agreement
3. Validate different set-up and result consistency
4. Establish the measurements/analysis procedure
5. Contact LLL producers for cooperation agreement
6. Ask the producers for their latest devices ← Today we are here



## Future work:

- 2.2 Linking to other European initiatives
- 2.3 Fostering the exchange between academia and industry



# Cooperation agreement between research institutes & industry:

- Contact the producers for their latest devices:
  - Characterize their current best SiPM products
  - Discuss output and most attractive features to work on in the future
  - Minimize duplication efforts in characterizing sensors and establish precision on measured quantities
  - Publication of results
  - Create a database with SiPM & their main characteristics

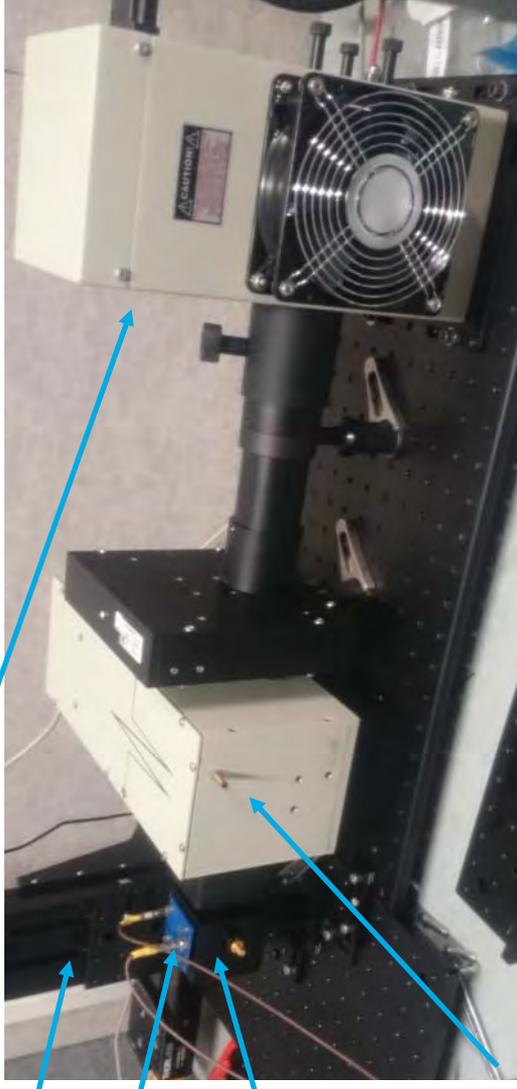
# Experimental setups: Setup @ Ideasquare/Unige



Xe 75 W lamp: 250nm to 1800 nm

continuous light

Translation stage  
Photodiode (S1337-1010BQ)  
Integration sphere  
Monochromator



pulsed light

Motorized wheel with 12 filters + Diffuser  
(transmission from 81.3% to 0.01%)

LED`s :

280, 340, 375, 405,  
420, 455, 470, 505,  
525, 530, 565 & 572 nm

Photodiode 10x10 mm<sup>2</sup>  
(S1337-1010BQ)

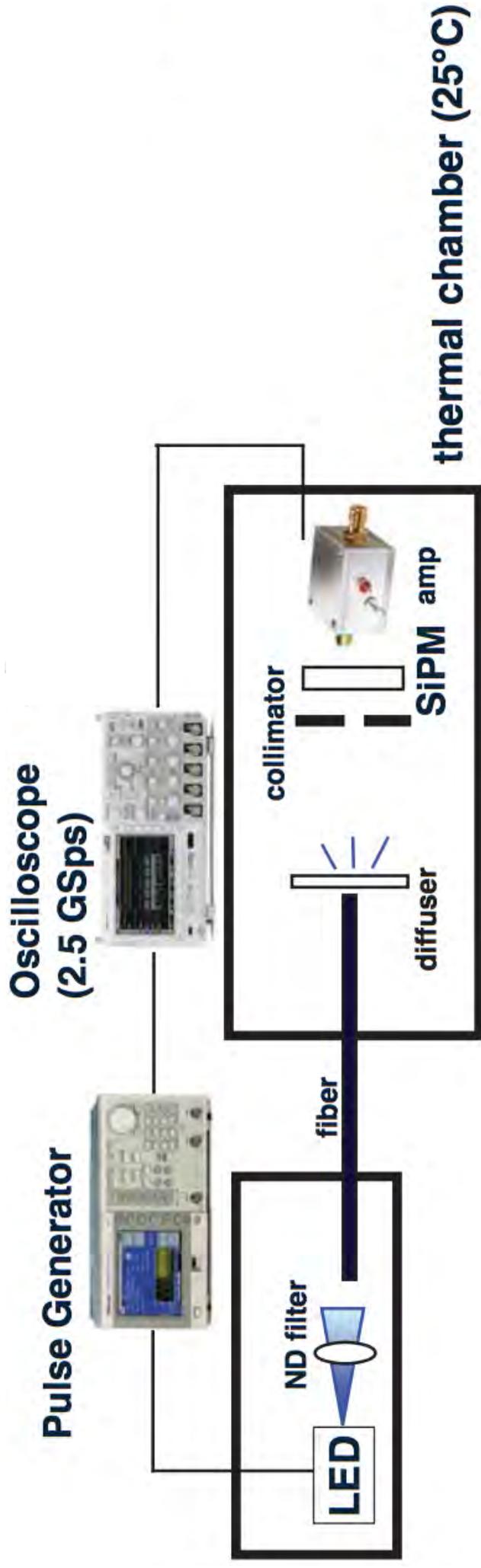
SiPM

LED



# Experimental setups: Setup @ Nagoya

## Schematic:



Offline data analysis:

- Digital filter
- Pulse analysis

Light output is monitored by reference SiPM

Measured at Nagoya

$$\frac{\mu(\text{DOI})}{\mu(\text{REF-3050, OV=3})}$$

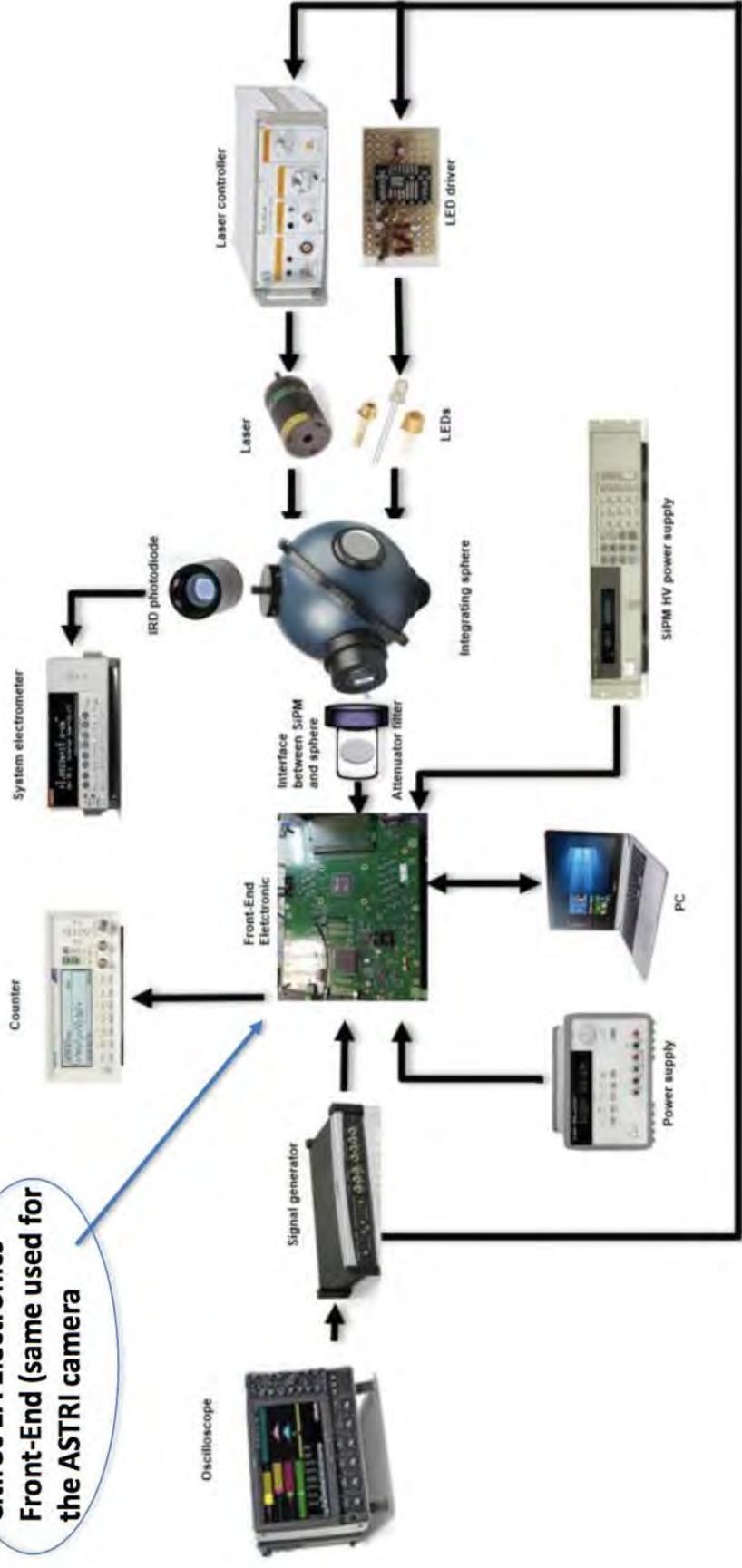
Measured at UCSC

$$\text{PDE(DOI)} = \text{PDE(REF-3050, OV=3)}$$

# Experimental setups: Setup @ Catania

## Schematic:

Citiroc 1A Electronics  
Front-End (same used for  
the ASTRI camera)



- Calibrated photodiode + integrating sphere is used;
- ASTRI electronics to process SiPM signals;

Measurements done in Climatic chamber (0 - 25  C)

LED`s: 285, 315, 341, 385, 405, 430, 450, 465, 496, 505, 525, 570, 591, 635, 660, 680, 780 & 851 nm



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# PDE vs. $\Delta V$ : Calculation

Poisson distribution:

$$P(n_{p.e.}) = \frac{(k)^{n_{p.e.}}}{n_{p.e.}!} \cdot e^{-k}$$

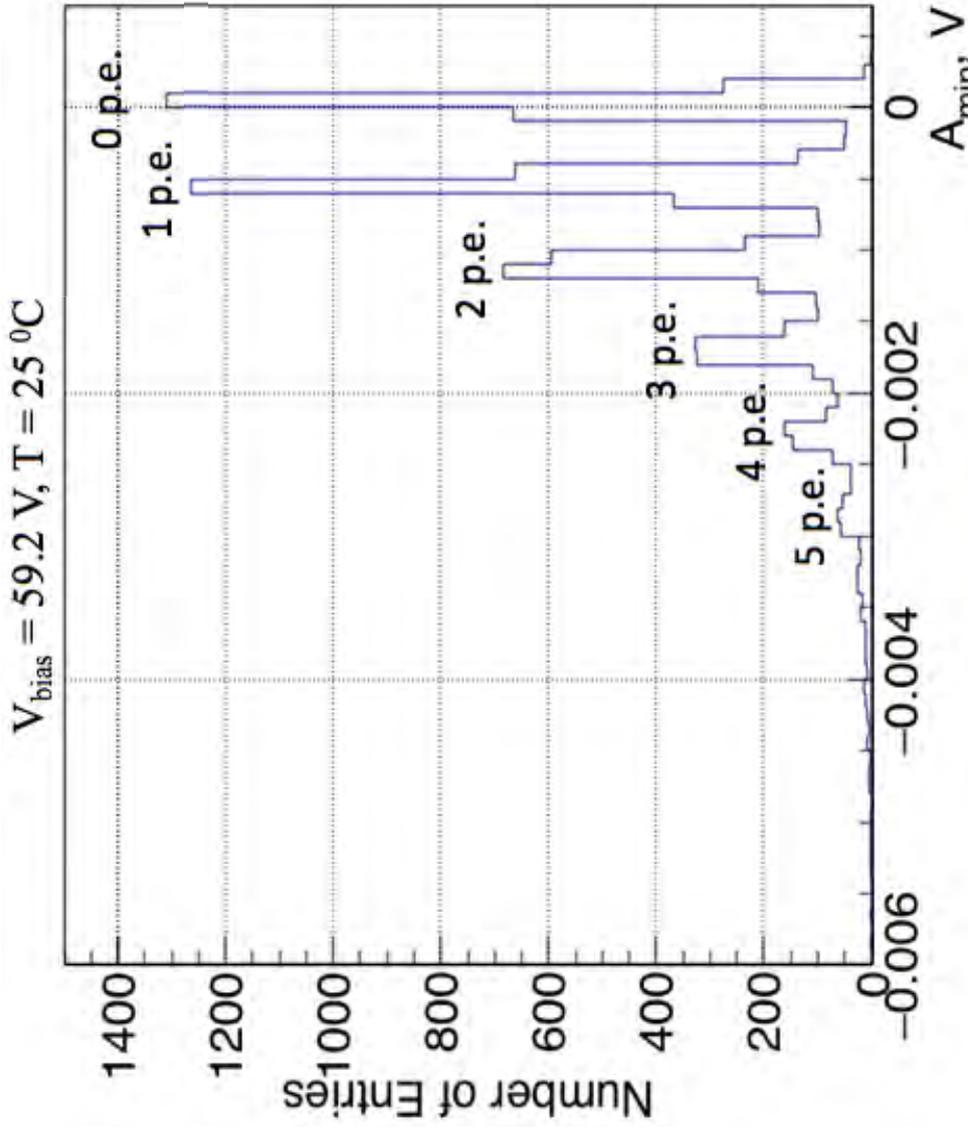
Probability to detect 0 p.e. :

$$P(0) = e^{-k} = \frac{N(0)}{N(total)}$$

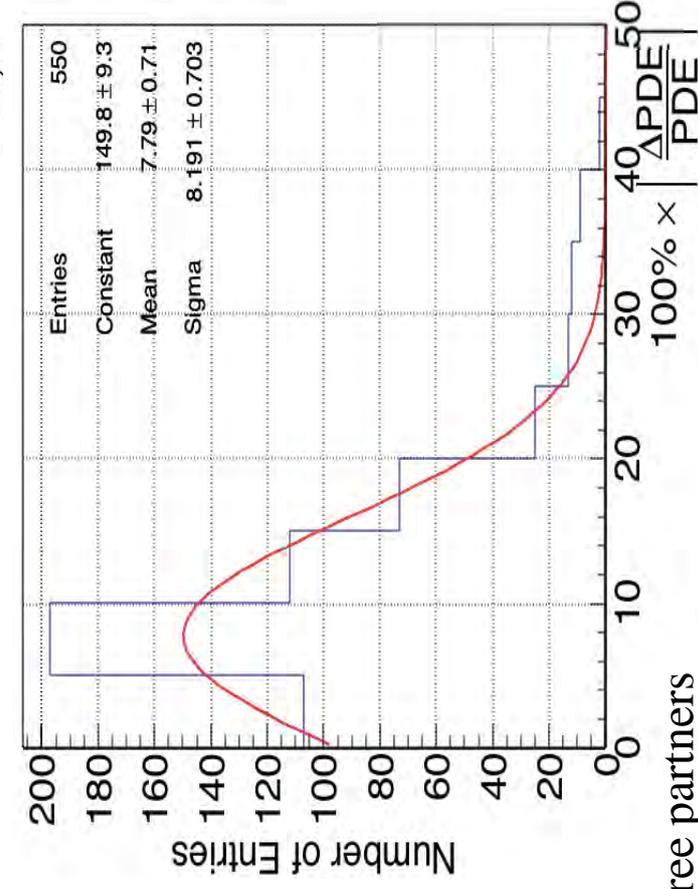
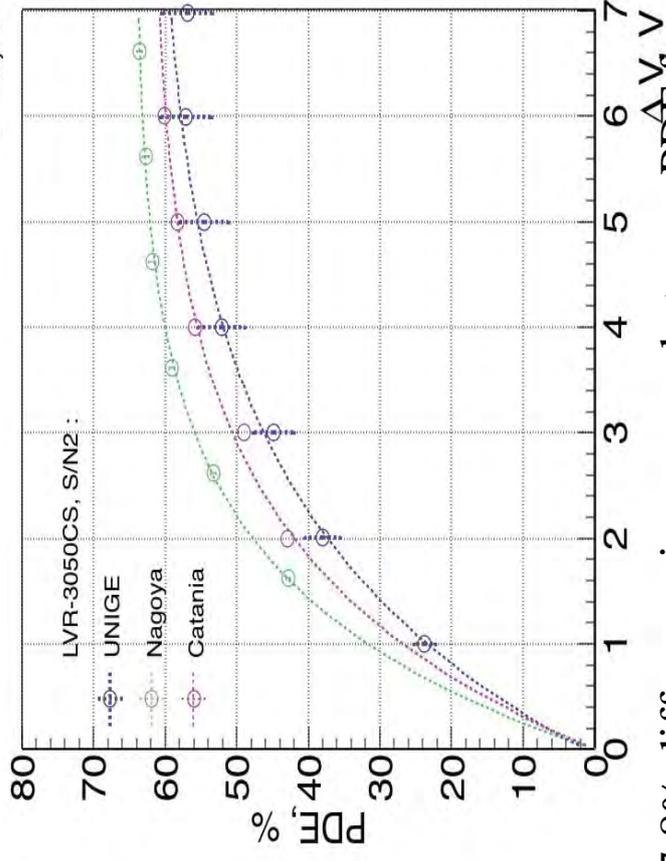
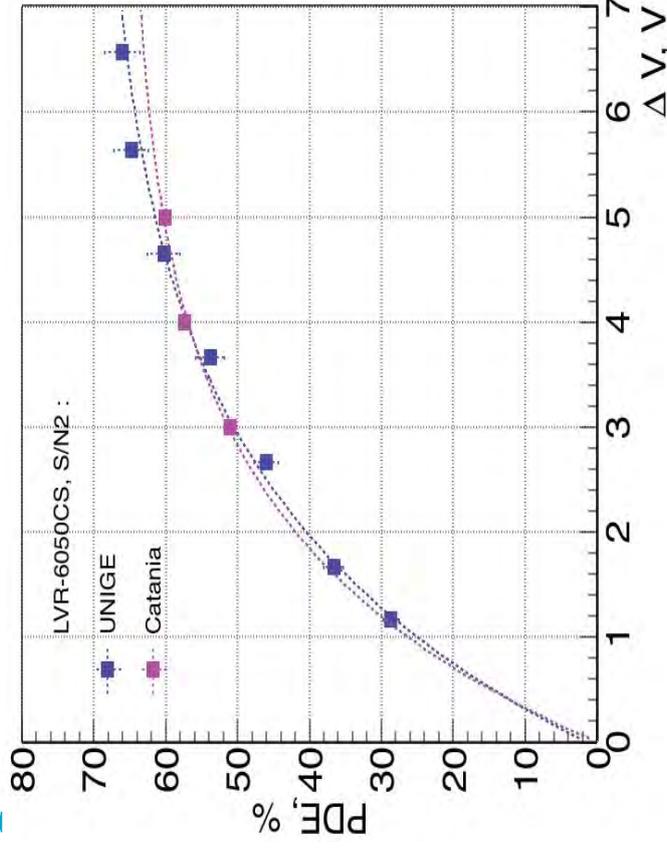
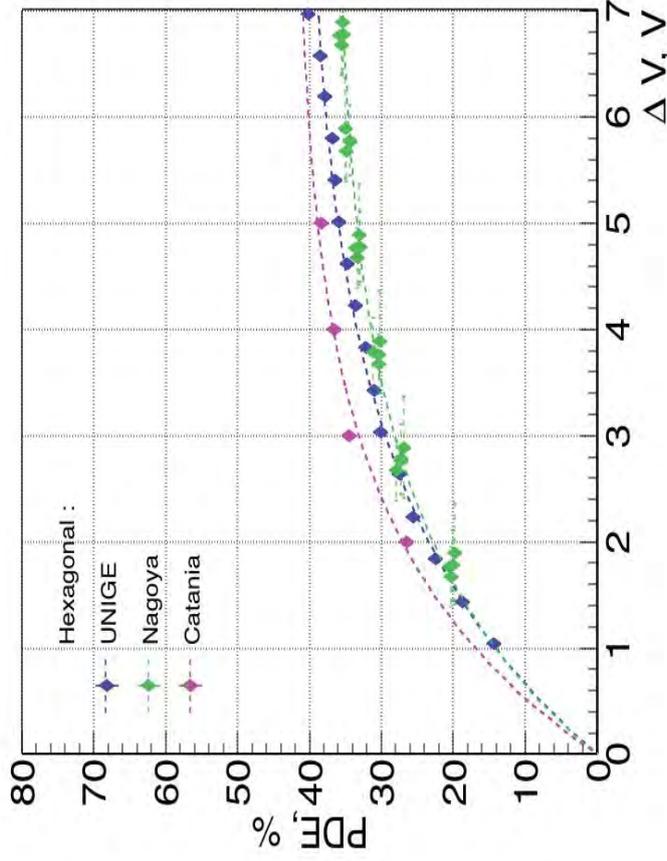
Average number of detected photons:

$$k = -\ln(P(0)_{LED}) + \ln(P(0)_{dark})$$

$$PDE = \frac{k}{N_{photons}} = \frac{k \times QE \times e^{-} \times R}{I_{Photodiode}}$$



# PDE vs. $\Delta V$ @ 405 nm: Comparison

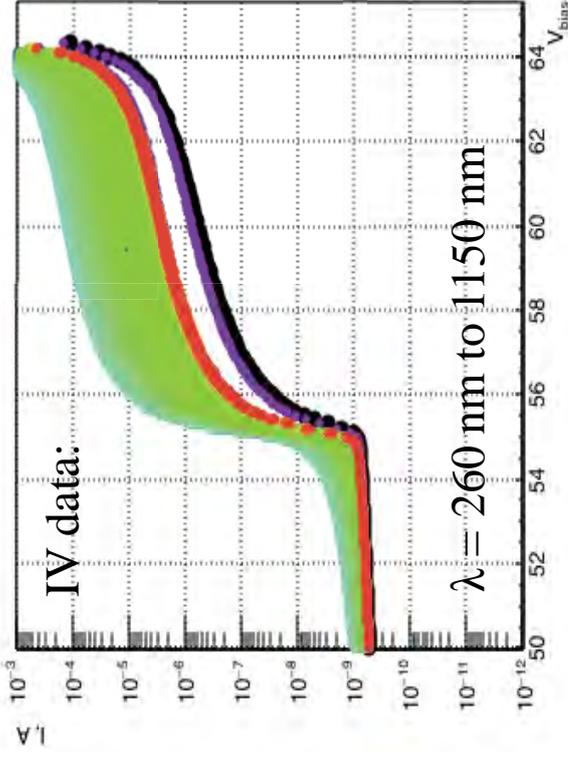
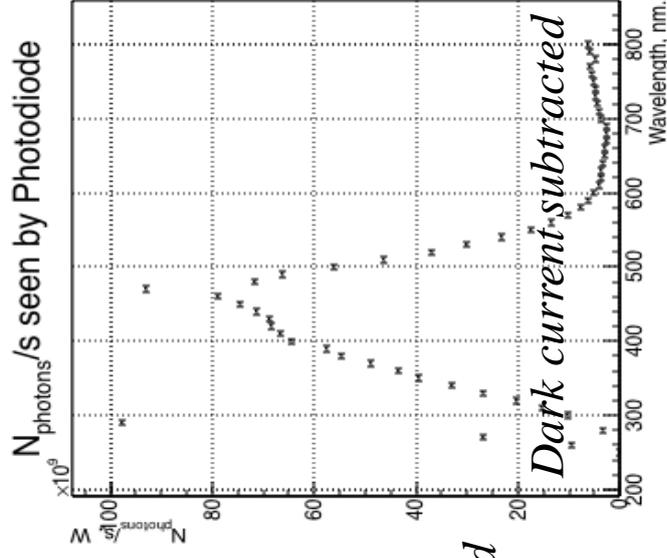
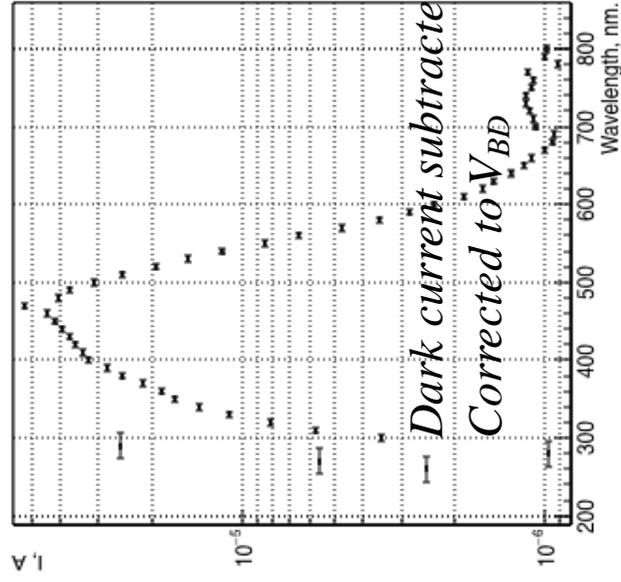


7.8% difference in average between  $\hat{\Delta V}$  from three partners

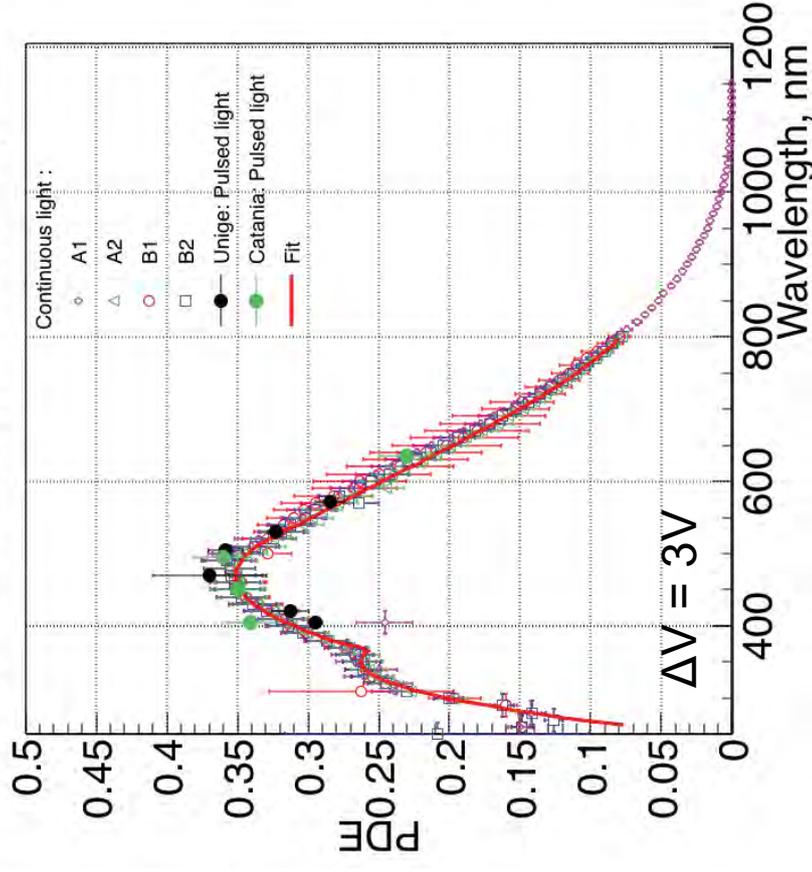
# PDE vs. $\lambda$ : Calculation

$$PDE = \frac{I_{SiPM}}{N_{photons} \cdot e \cdot G_{eff}} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} PDE \sim \frac{I_{SiPM}}{I_{photodiode}} \cdot QE$$

$$N_{photons} = \frac{I_{photodiode}}{QE \cdot e}$$



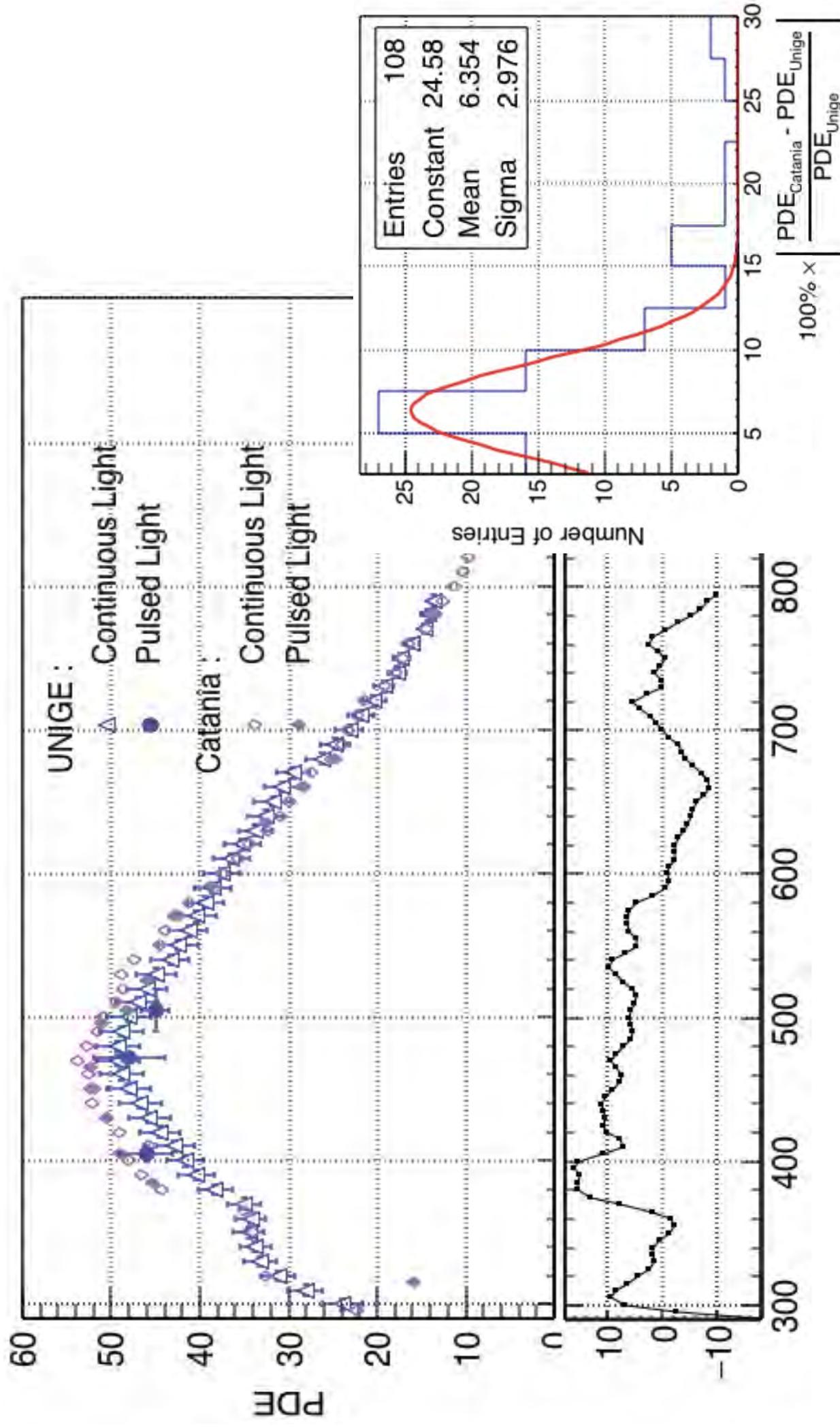
Hamamatsu\_S10943-2832(X)



$$100\% \times \frac{PDE_{Catania} - PDE_{Unige}}{PDE_{Unige}} < 2\%$$

# PDE vs. $\lambda$ : Comparison

Hamamatsu: LVR-3050 @  $\Delta V = 3V$

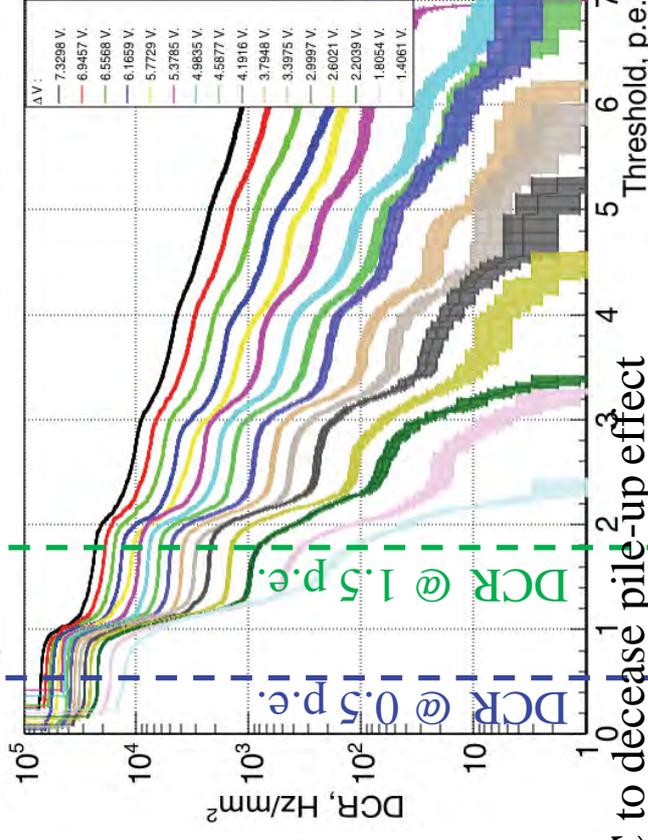
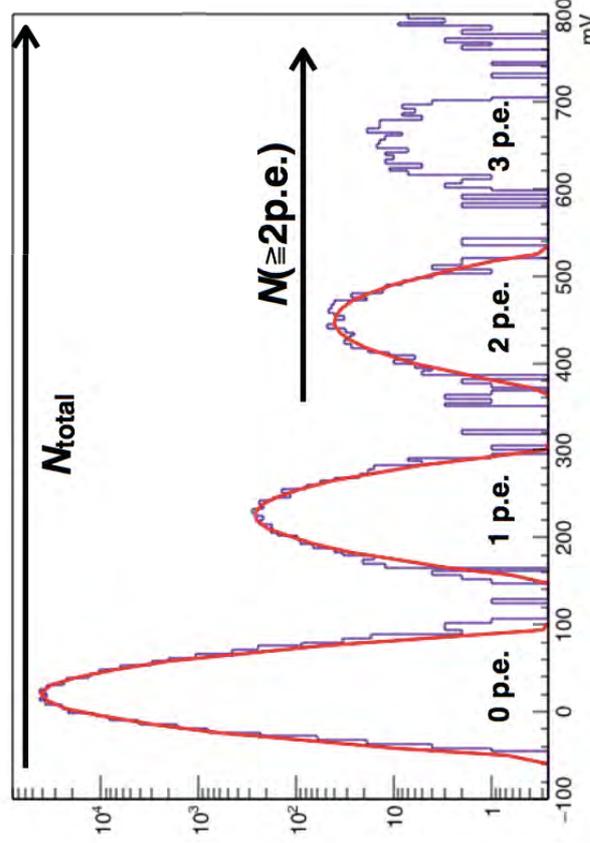


PDE vs.  $\lambda$  measured within 6.4 %

# P<sub>XT</sub> calculation:

## Nagoya method:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{N(\geq 2 \text{ p.e.})}{N_{\text{total}}} &= P(1)R_{\text{OCT}} + P(2) + P(3) + \dots \\ &\approx P(1)R_{\text{OCT}} + P(2) + P(3), \\ P(1) &= \mu P(0), \\ P(2) &= \frac{\mu^2}{2} P(0), \\ P(3) &= \frac{\mu^3}{6} P(0), \\ R_{\text{OCT}} &\approx \frac{N(\geq 2 \text{ p.e.})}{\mu P(0) N_{\text{total}}} - \frac{\mu}{2} - \frac{\mu^2}{6} \end{aligned}$$

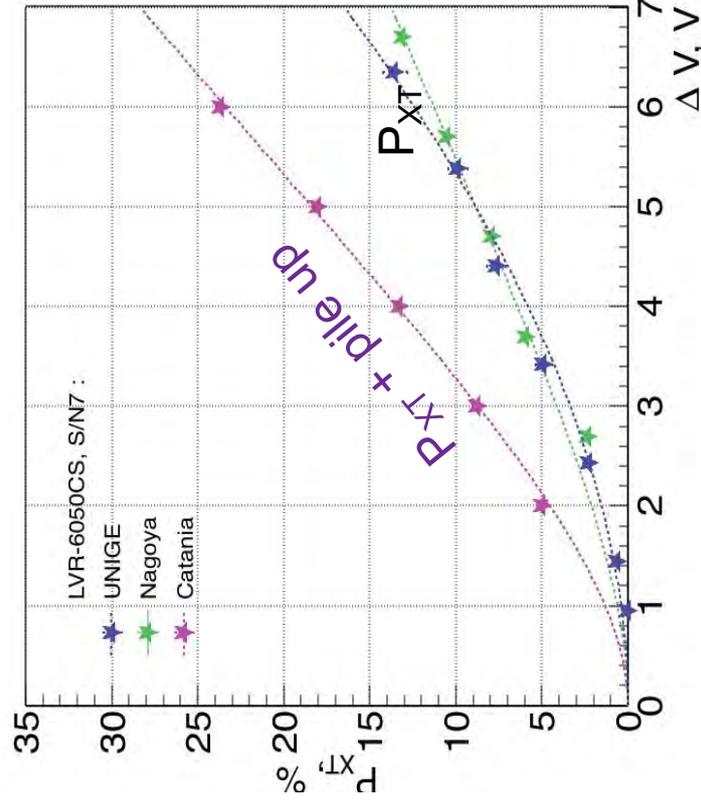
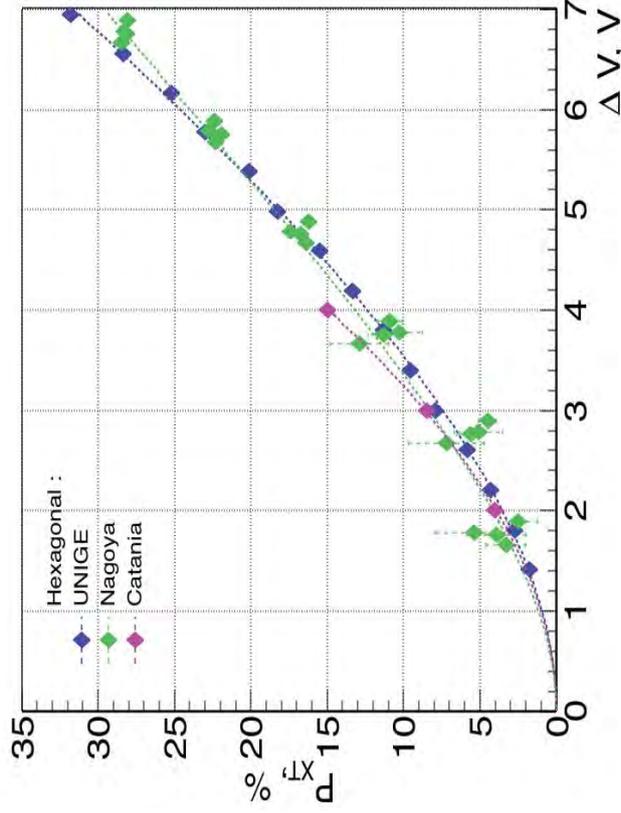
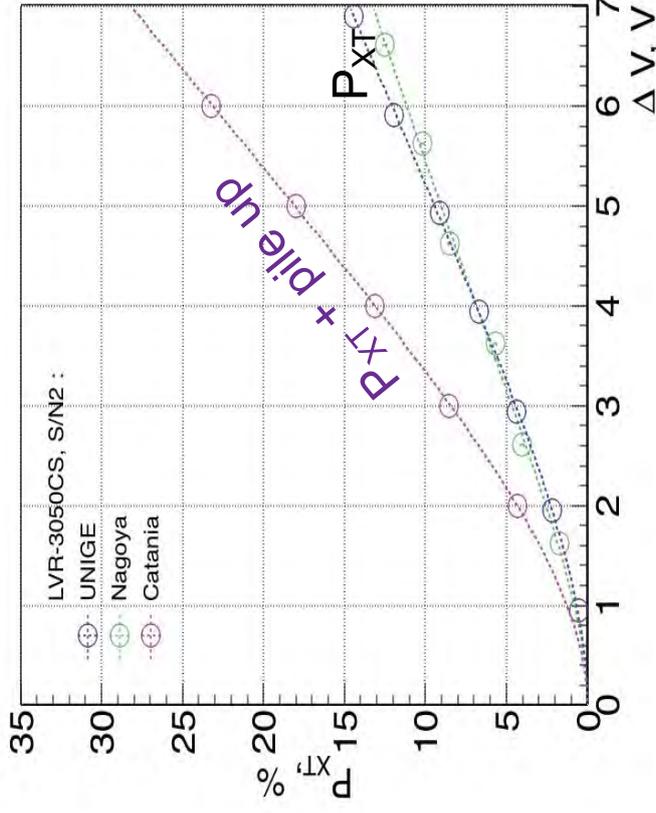


## Catania & Unige:

@ Catania measurements at 2 °C to decrease pile-up effect

@ Unige correcting to 2 thermal pulses in coincidence

# $P_{XT}$ vs. $\Delta V$ : Comparison



Fit:

$$P_{XT}(\Delta V) = P_{hv} \cdot P_{Geiger}(\Delta V) \cdot Gain(\Delta V)$$

Difference in  $P_{XT}$  inside error bars up to  $\Delta V < 6V$



## Results from Task 2.1:

- Cooperation agreement between 5 partners signed
- 4 SiPM devices were measured by 3 partners:
  - Three LVR devices;
  - Hexagonal LCT2 device for CTA experiments;
- Validated 3 set-ups and result consistency:

Parameter	PDE vs $\Delta V$	PDE vs $\lambda$	$P_{XT}$ vs $\Delta V$
Result consistency	7.8 %	6.4 %	inside error bars up to $\Delta V < 6V$

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