CERN / DRDC / 91-15
DRDC / P27
06 march 1991

R&D PROPOSAL FOR THE STUDY OF NEW FAST AND RADIATION HARD SCINTILLATORS FOR CALORIMETRY AT LHC

CERN , Geneva , Switzerland
A. Hervé , P. Lecoq (spokesman), J. M. Le Goff

Consorzio Milano Ricerche , Milano , Italy
F. Allegretti , S. Pizzini

INFN , Roma
B. Borgia , F. Ferroni , E. Longo , M. Mattioli , F. De Notaristefani

Laboratoire de Physico-chimie des Matériaux Luminescents
Université Claude Bernard , Lyon , France
B. Moine , C. Pedrini

LAPP , Annecy , France
M. Lebeau , M. Schneegans , M. Vivargent

Leningrad Nuclear Physics Institute , Leningrad , USSR
V. Samsonov , V. Schegelski , V. Yanovski

Lund University
L. Jønsson

Physics Institute , RTWH Aachen , Germany
K. Lubelsmeyer , D. Schmitz , W. Wallraff

Tata Institute of Fundamental Research , Bombay
T. Aziz , S. Banerjee , S.N. Ganguli , S.K. Gupta , A. Gurtu , P.K. Malhotra , K. Mazumdar , R. Raghavan , K. Shankar , K. Sudhakar , S.C. Tonwar

Abstract

In the recent past, several scintillating crystals have been developed and mass produced for large high resolution electromagnetic calorimeters, such as NaI, CsI, and BGO. In the new generation of ee and pp colliders, the very high design luminosities bring new constraints on the crystals : they must have a fast response, higher resistance to radiation, and be as dense as possible for calorimeter compactness. From our systematic studies of scintillation properties and radiation damage mechanisms in scintillators, several fluoride crystals or glasses should have the wanted properties. The purpose of this R&D program is to study these materials and the conditions of their mass production in order to find the best suited scintillator for calorimetry at future colliders.