

# C and CH<sub>2</sub> Targets for STT Modules

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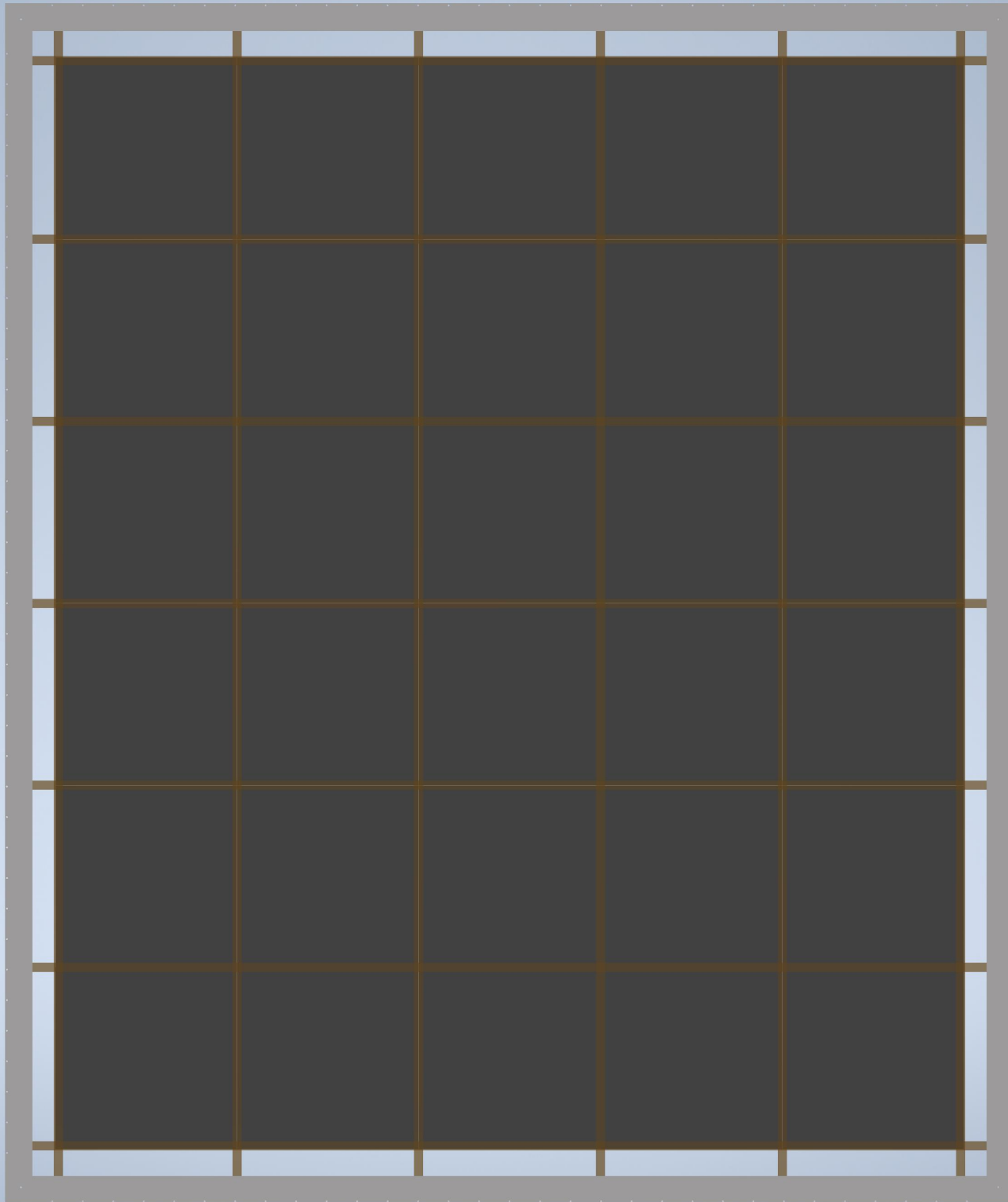
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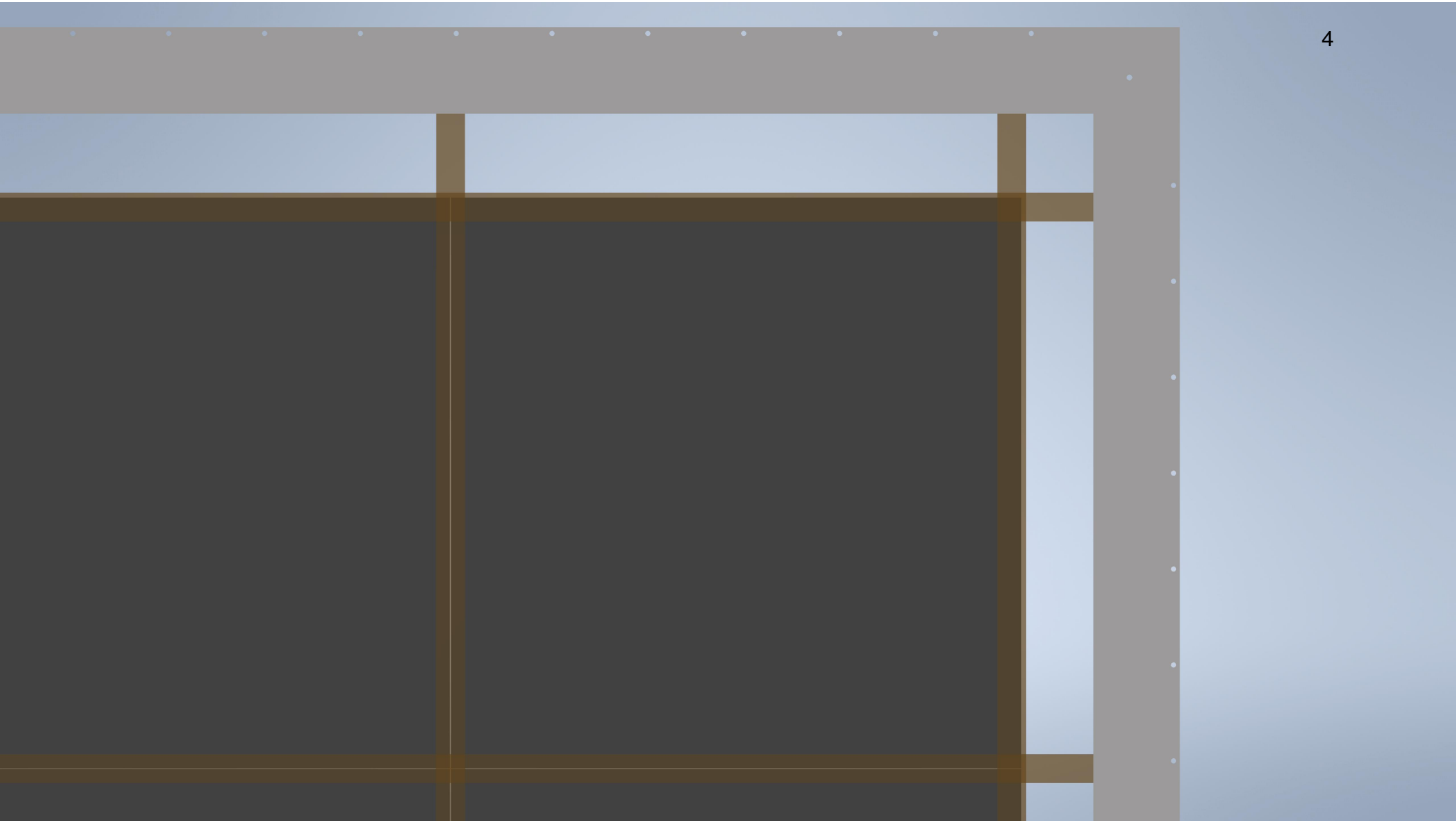
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## GRAPHITE TARGETS

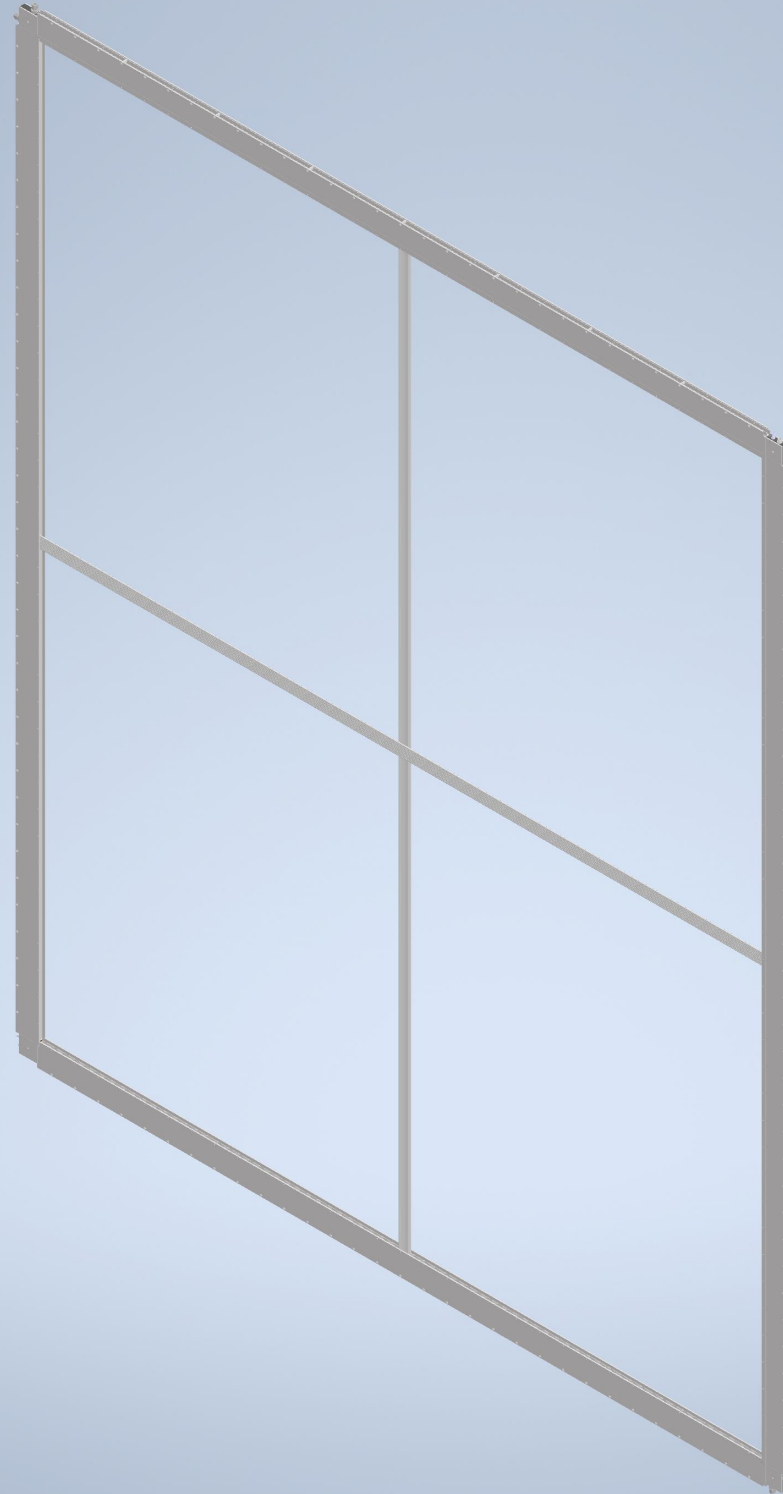
- ◆ *Graphite target mounted in front of common XXYY straw tracking module.*
- ◆ *Graphite tiles 595 mm × 595 mm × 4 mm stacked and held in place by thin C-fiber woven tape (30mm,  $\sim 50 \text{ g/m}^2$ ), sandwiched between C-composite beams*
- ◆ *Fraction of fiducial mass from C-fiber woven tape  $\sim 1.5 \times 10^{-3}$*   
*⇒ Chemical purity of C-fiber tape (mostly C) not critical*
- ◆ *Graphite tiles only cover standard fiducial volume (20 cm from ECAL surface).*
- ◆ *Tiles machined from isostatic graphite, which is formed by cold isostatic pressing and has high purity, high strength and volume density  $\sim 1.8 \text{ g/cm}^3$*   
*⇒ Prototypes of graphite target tested at USC*

*Graphite target  
(4m × 3.3m) with  
30 graphite tiles  
and C-fiber tapes*





*Details of the tile assembly in the STT graphite target*

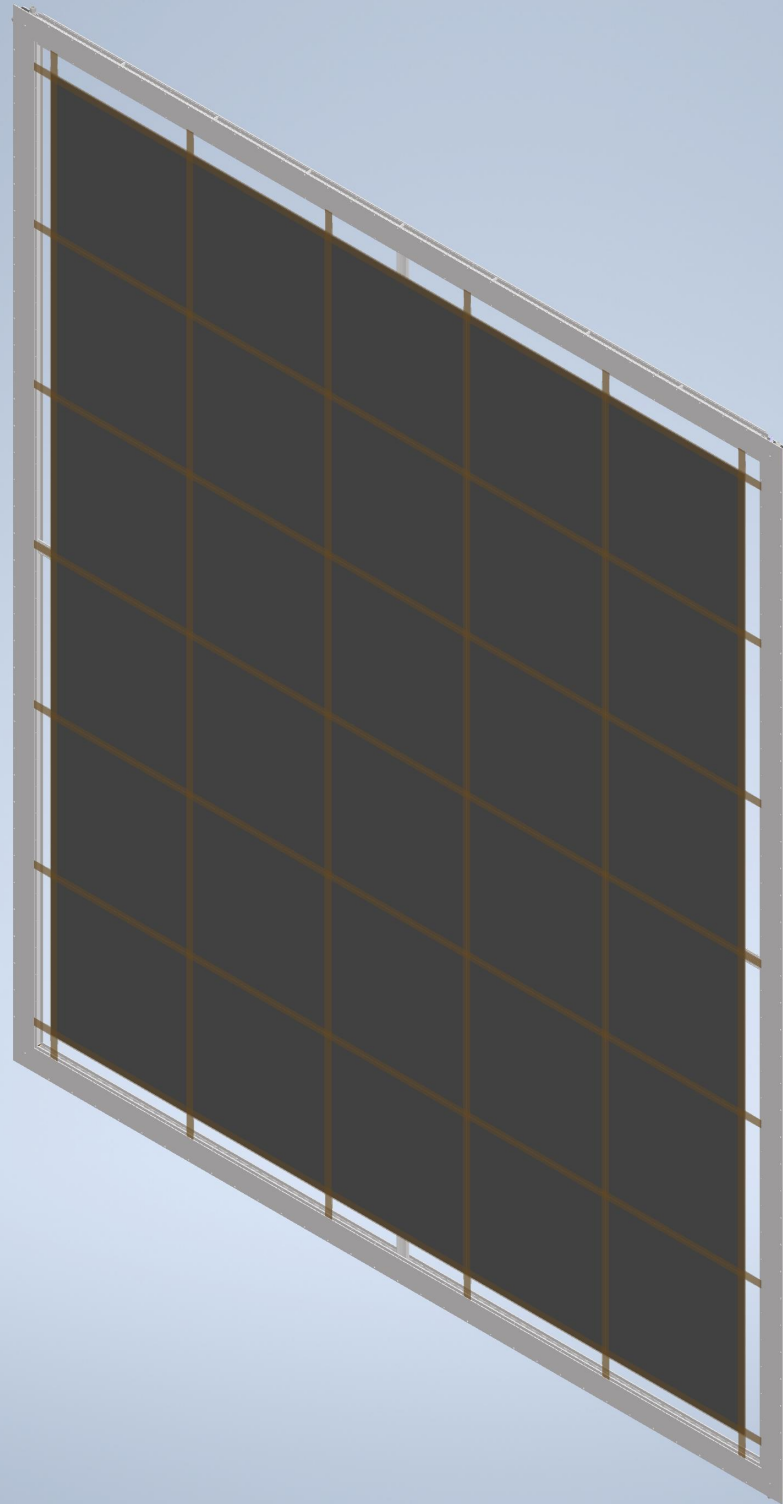


*Frame of the STT Tracking module ( $4\text{m} \times 3.3\text{m}$ ) based on design of the 1.2m CERN prototype (F. Raffaelli)*

*Frame of the STT Tracking  
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*Graphite target installed*

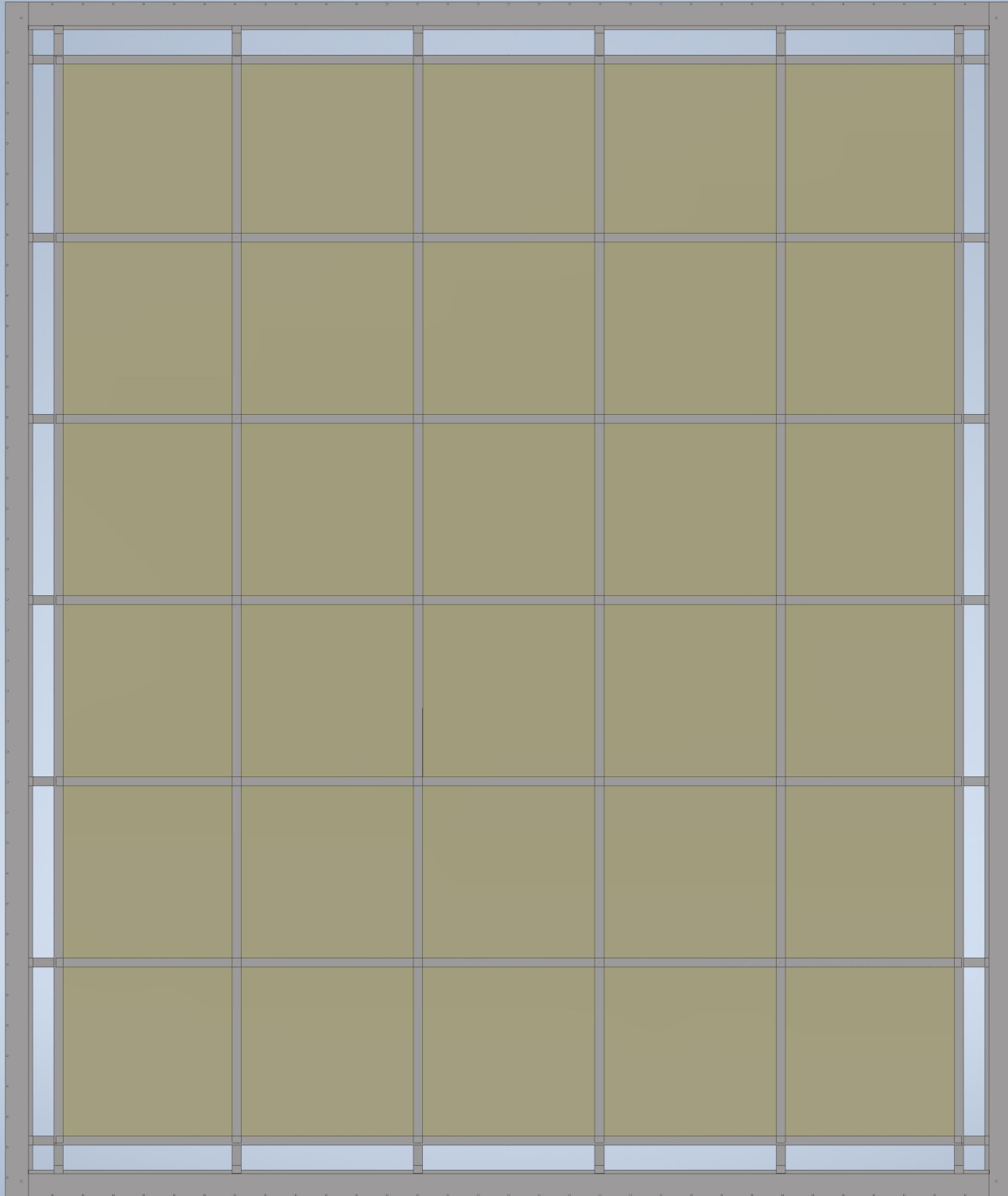


## POLYPROPYLENE TARGETS & RADIATORS

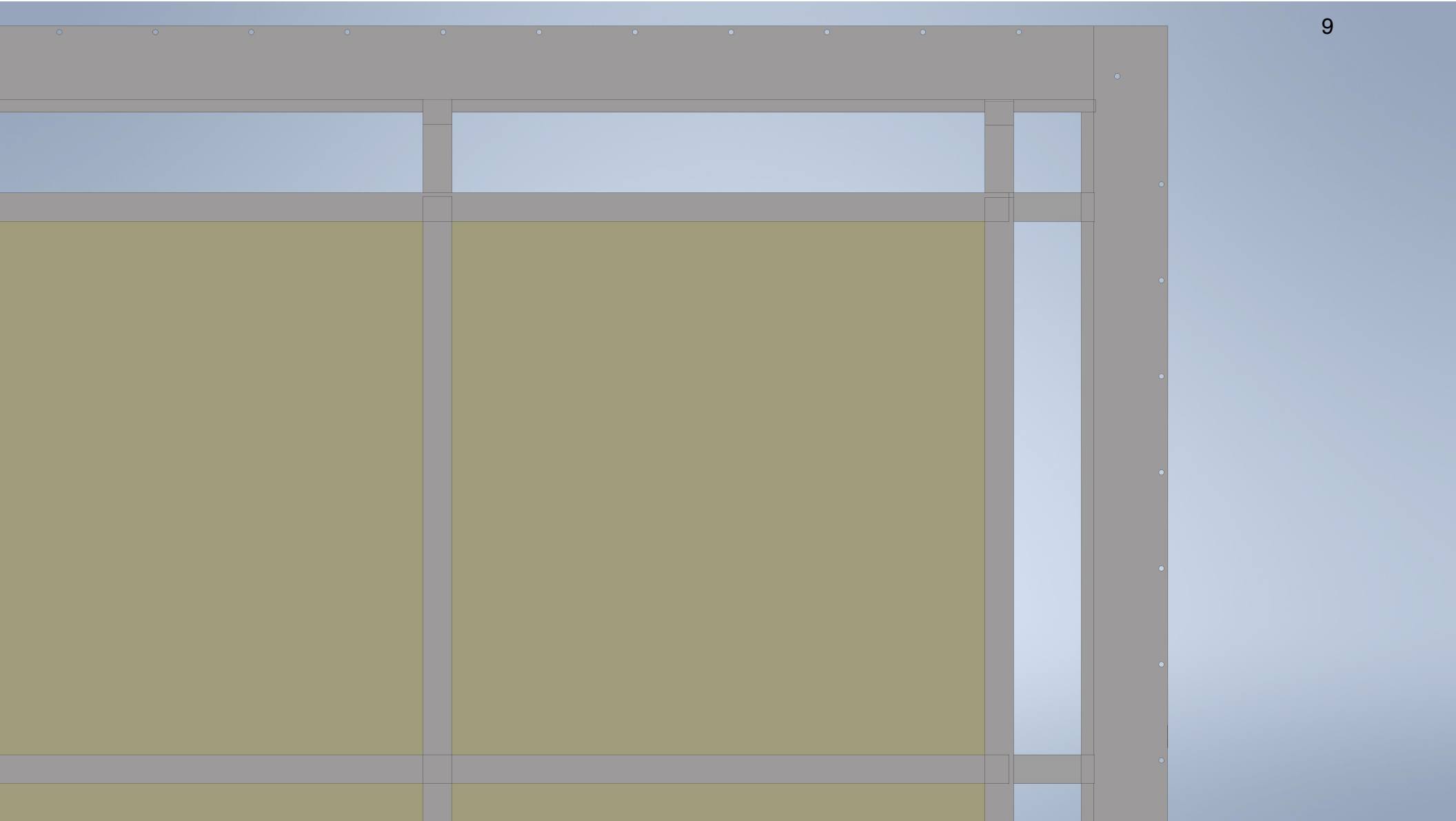
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- ◆ *Polypropylene ( $\text{CH}_2$ ) tiles 595 mm  $\times$  595 mm  $\times$  5 mm stacked and held in place by thin polypropylene tape (30mm), sandwiched between C-composite beams*  
 *$\implies$  Same material for tiles and tape (100% chemical purity)*
- ◆ *Polypropylene tiles only cover standard fiducial volume (20 cm from ECAL surface).*
- ◆ *Radiators made of 105  $\text{CH}_2$  foils 18  $\mu\text{m}$  thick (1.89 mm  $\text{CH}_2$  total), separated by 117  $\mu\text{m}$  air gaps and sandwiched between C-composite beams*  
 *$\implies$  Radiators account for close to 30% of the total  $\text{CH}_2$  fiducial mass in STT*
- ◆ *Radiators fill gaps left by supporting frame before and after XXYY straw layers*

*Polypropylene  
target (4m × 3.3m)  
with 30 CH<sub>2</sub> tiles  
and CH<sub>2</sub> tapes*

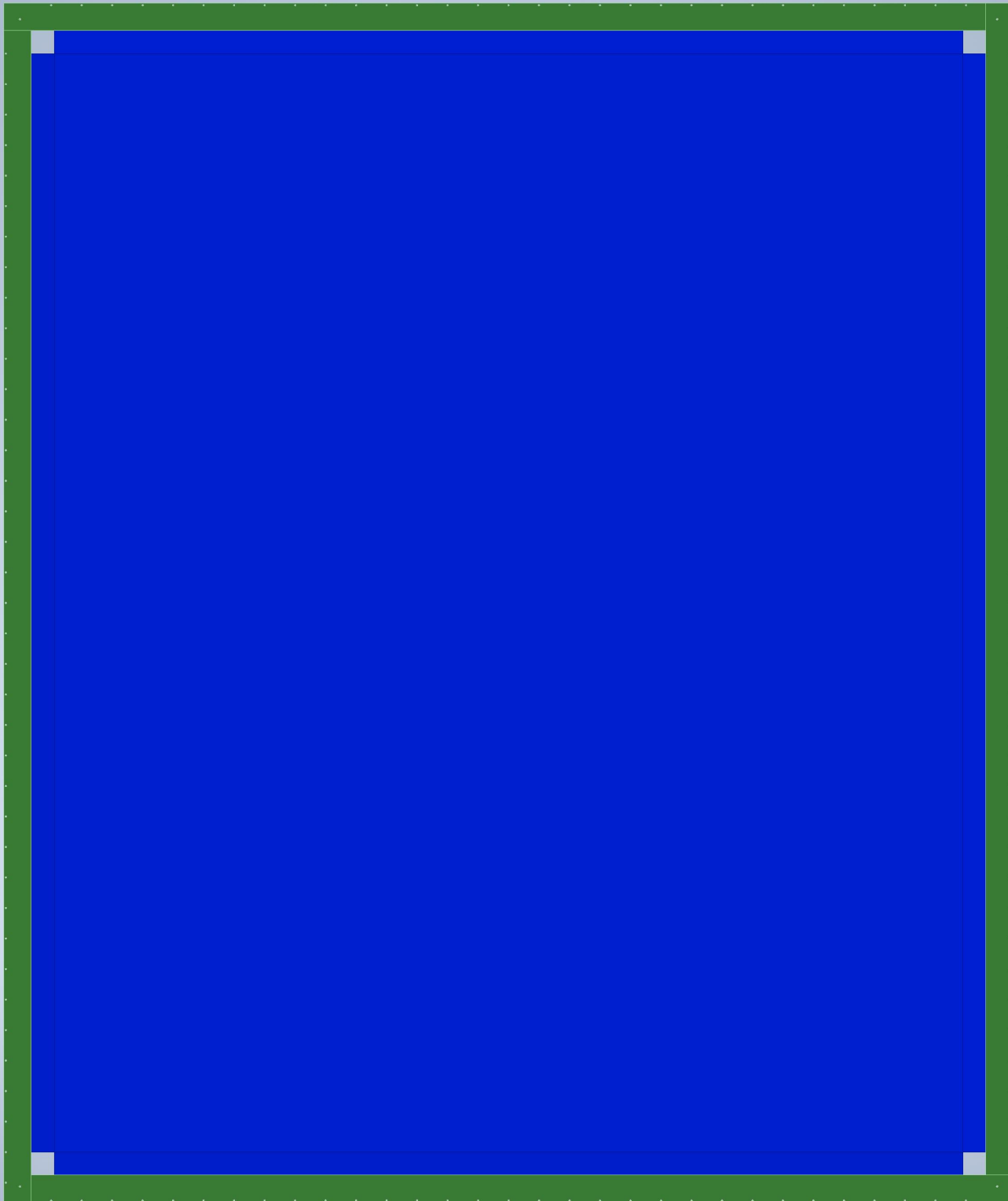


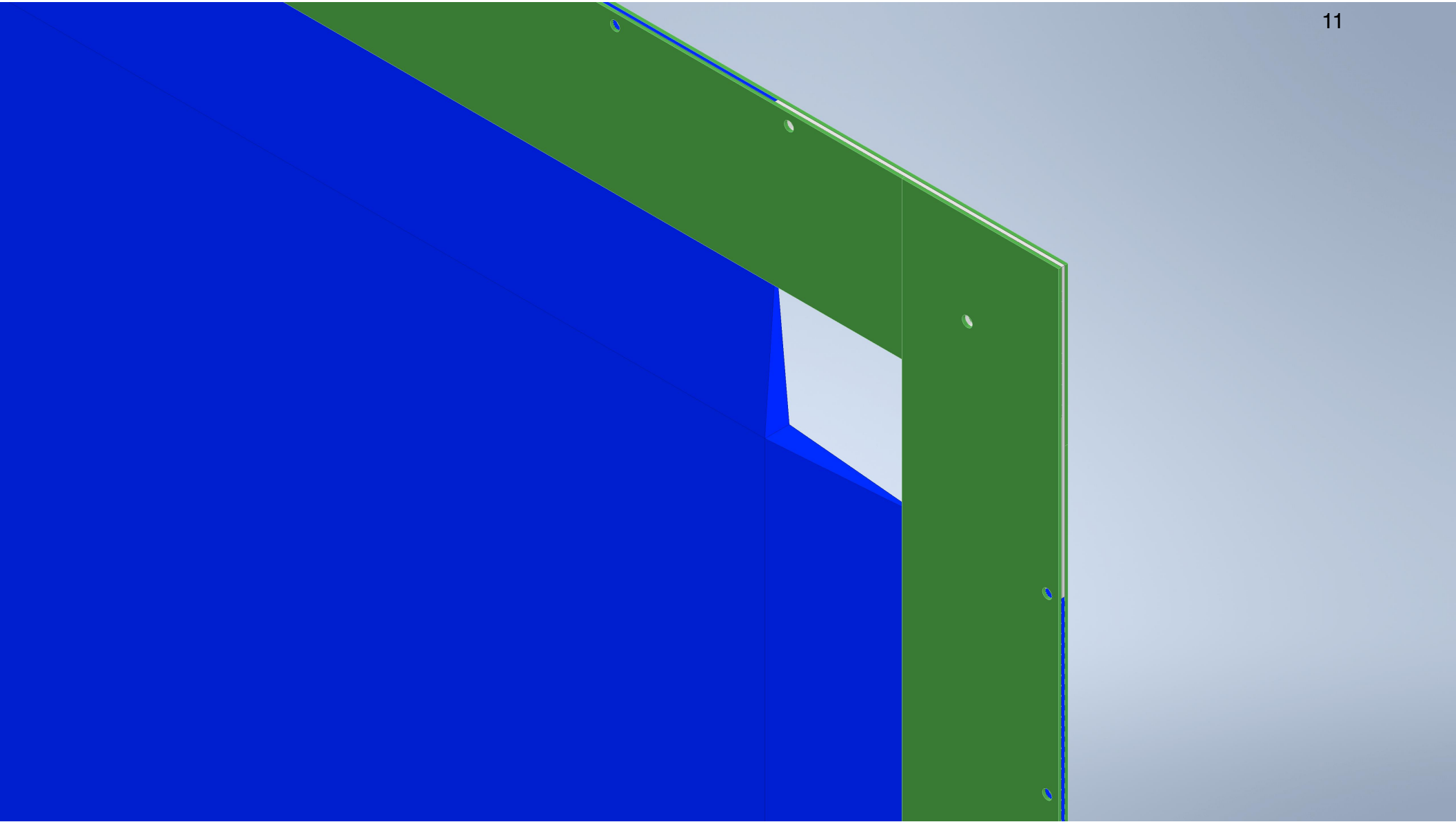




*Details of the tile assembly in the STT polypropylene (CH<sub>2</sub>) target*

*Radiator assembly  
(4m × 3.3m) with  
105 CH<sub>2</sub> foils*

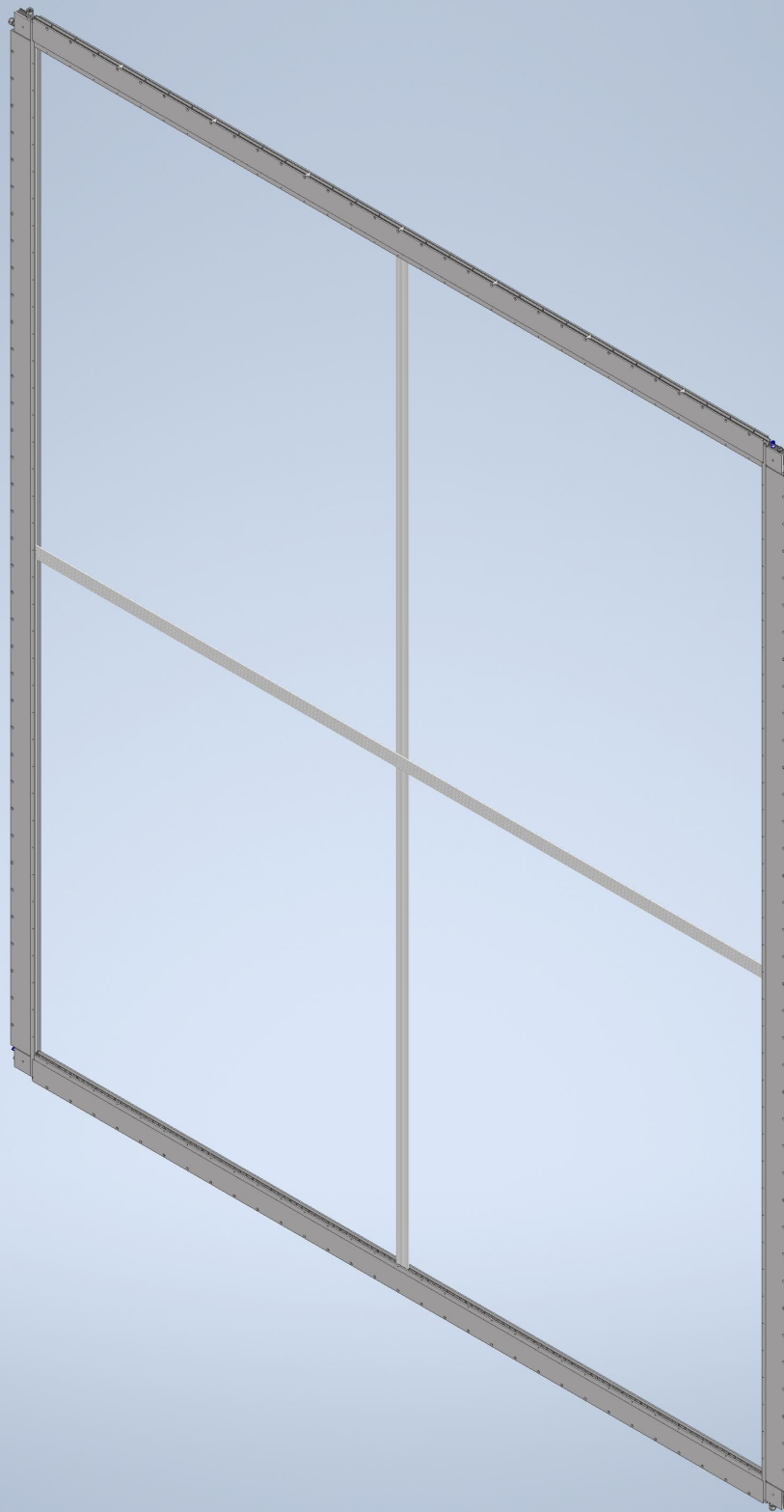




*Details of the radiator assembly for the STT modules equipped with CH<sub>2</sub> targets*

- ◆ *CH<sub>2</sub> targets and radiators can be individually removed/replaced from tracking modules*  
⇒ *Flexible design allowing different configurations*
  
- ◆ *Target + radiator mounted onto base STT tracking module*
  - *Default configuration corresponding to the nominal CH<sub>2</sub> fiducial mass (6.89 mm total per module);*
  - *Electron identification from TR (Xe/CO<sub>2</sub> 70/30):  $\sim 10^3$  pion rejection for  $E > 0.5$  GeV.*
  
- ◆ *Only target mounted onto base STT tracking module*
  - *Fiducial mass reduced by  $\sim 30\%$  (5 mm CH<sub>2</sub> per module), gas mixture Ar/CO<sub>2</sub> 70/30;*
  - *Option to add 16 extra STT modules (100 total) in extra space, resulting in +20% increase.*
  
- ◆ *Only radiator mounted onto base STT tracking module*
  - *Fiducial mass reduced by  $\sim 70\%$  (1.89 mm CH<sub>2</sub> per module), gas mixture Xe/CO<sub>2</sub> 70/30;*
  - *Low-density run with increased resolution for precision measurements and/or reduced backgrounds.*

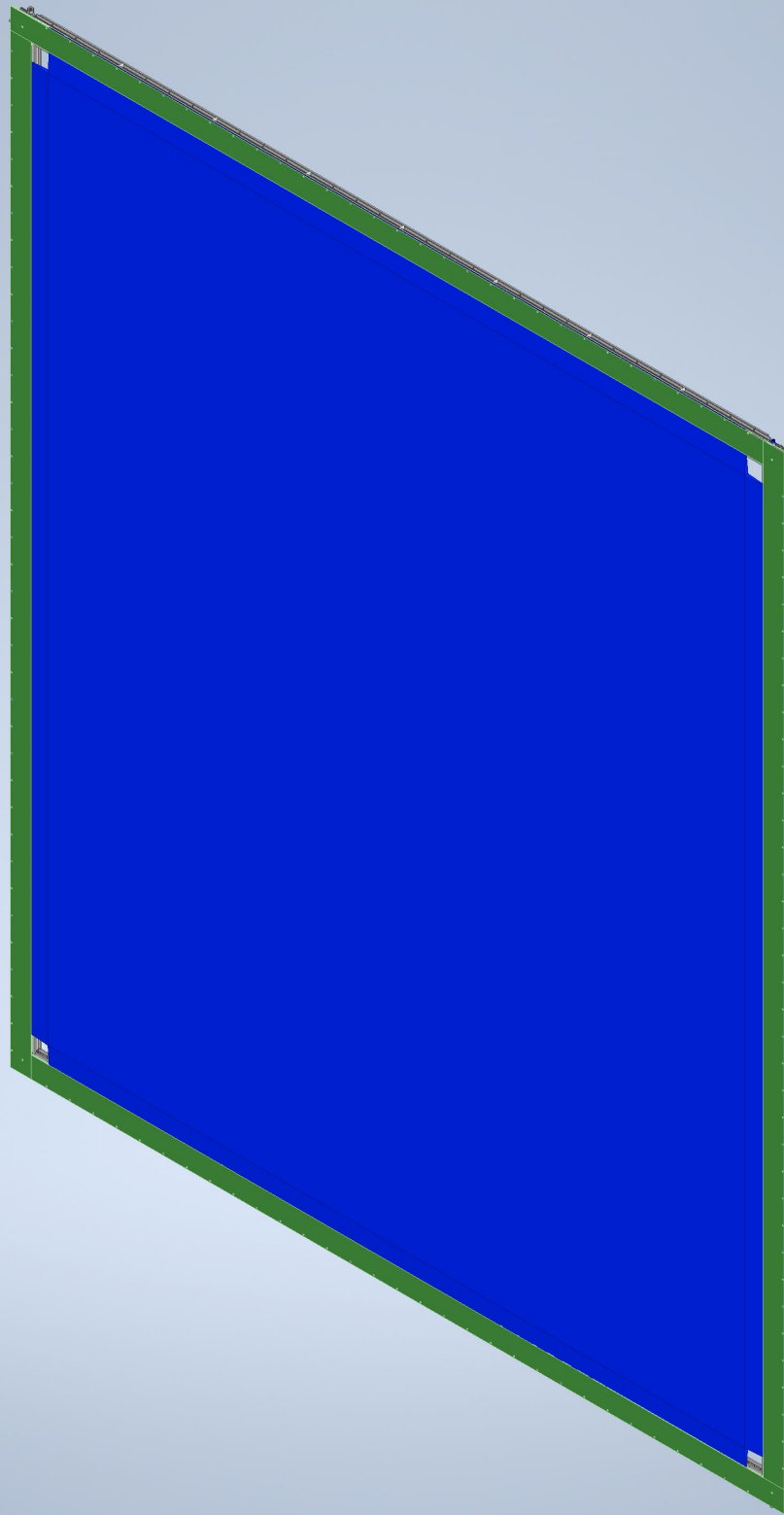
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*Radiator (CH<sub>2</sub>) assembly*



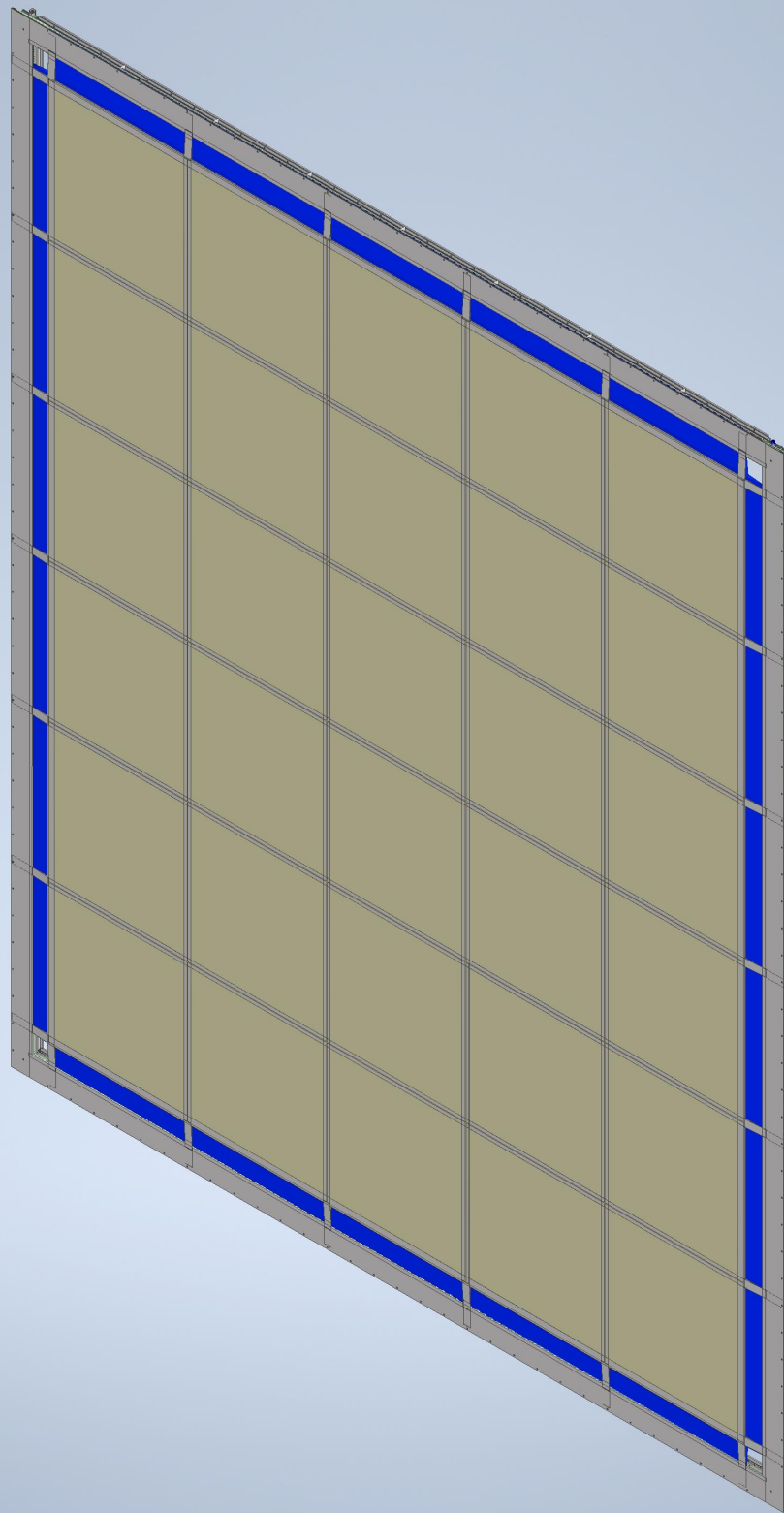
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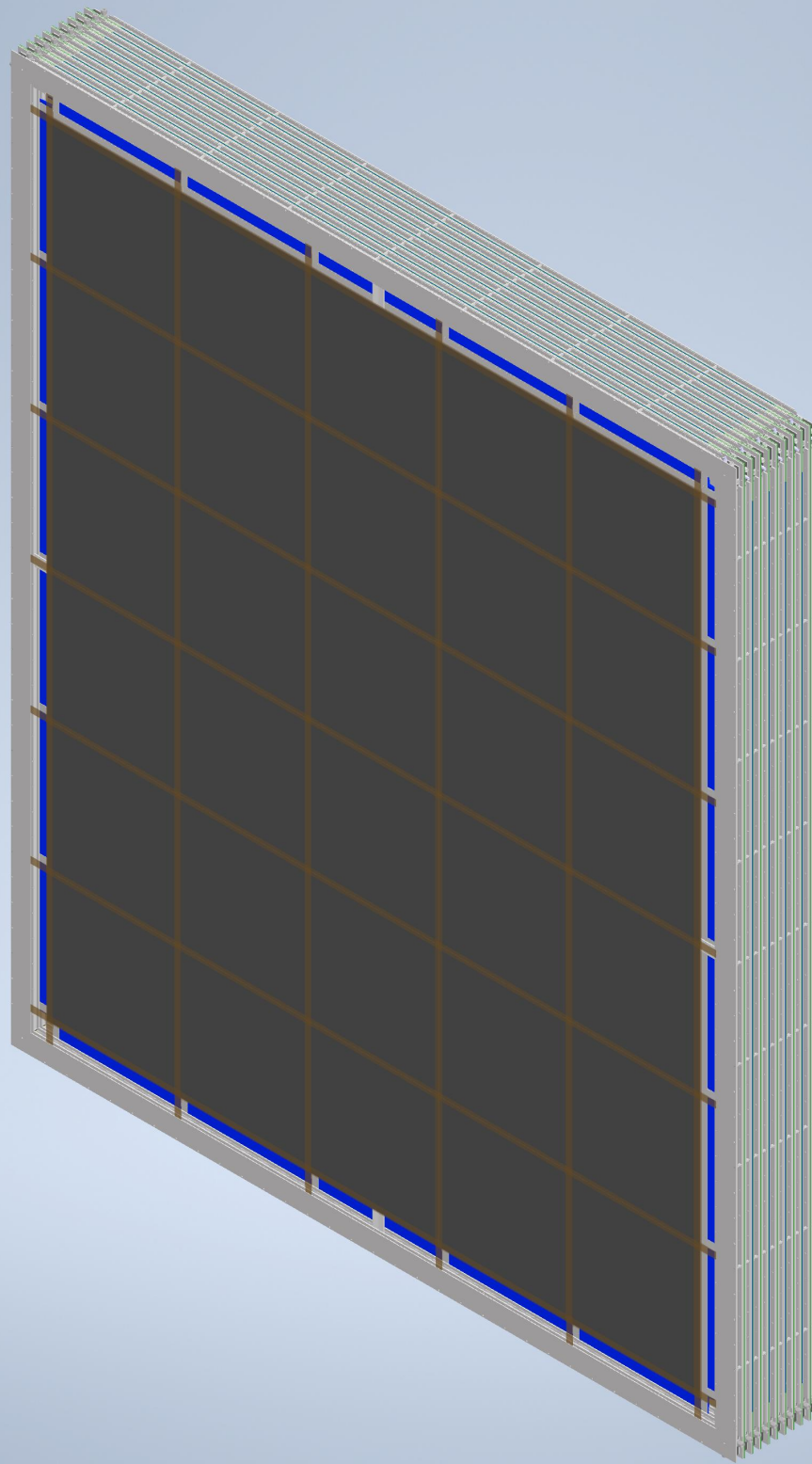
*Polypropylene (CH<sub>2</sub>) target*

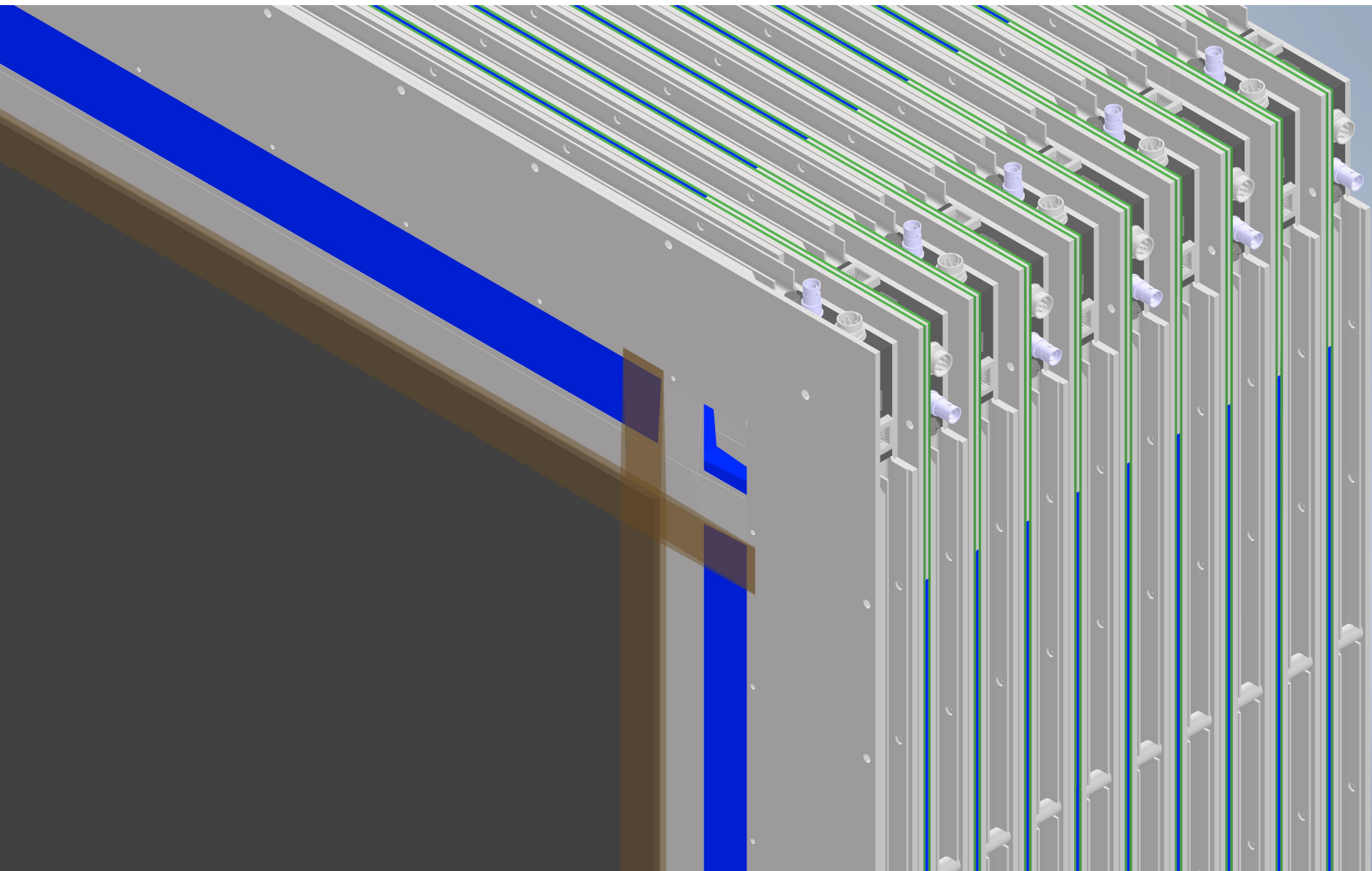


- ◆ *Default super-module with 1 C + 9 CH<sub>2</sub> modules for a total thickness of ~ 371 mm*  
⇒ *Both number of modules and their spacing can be modified after installation*
- ◆ *Locking mechanism with screwed Al rods on both sides of C-fiber frames (F. Raffaelli) can be tested with the 1.2m prototypes*
- ◆ *Flip readout location between even and odd tracking modules (left-right and up-down)*  
⇒ *Improved track reconstruction and rejection of ghost tracks*
- ◆ *Super-module assembly basic STT unit to be considered for installation in the magnet*



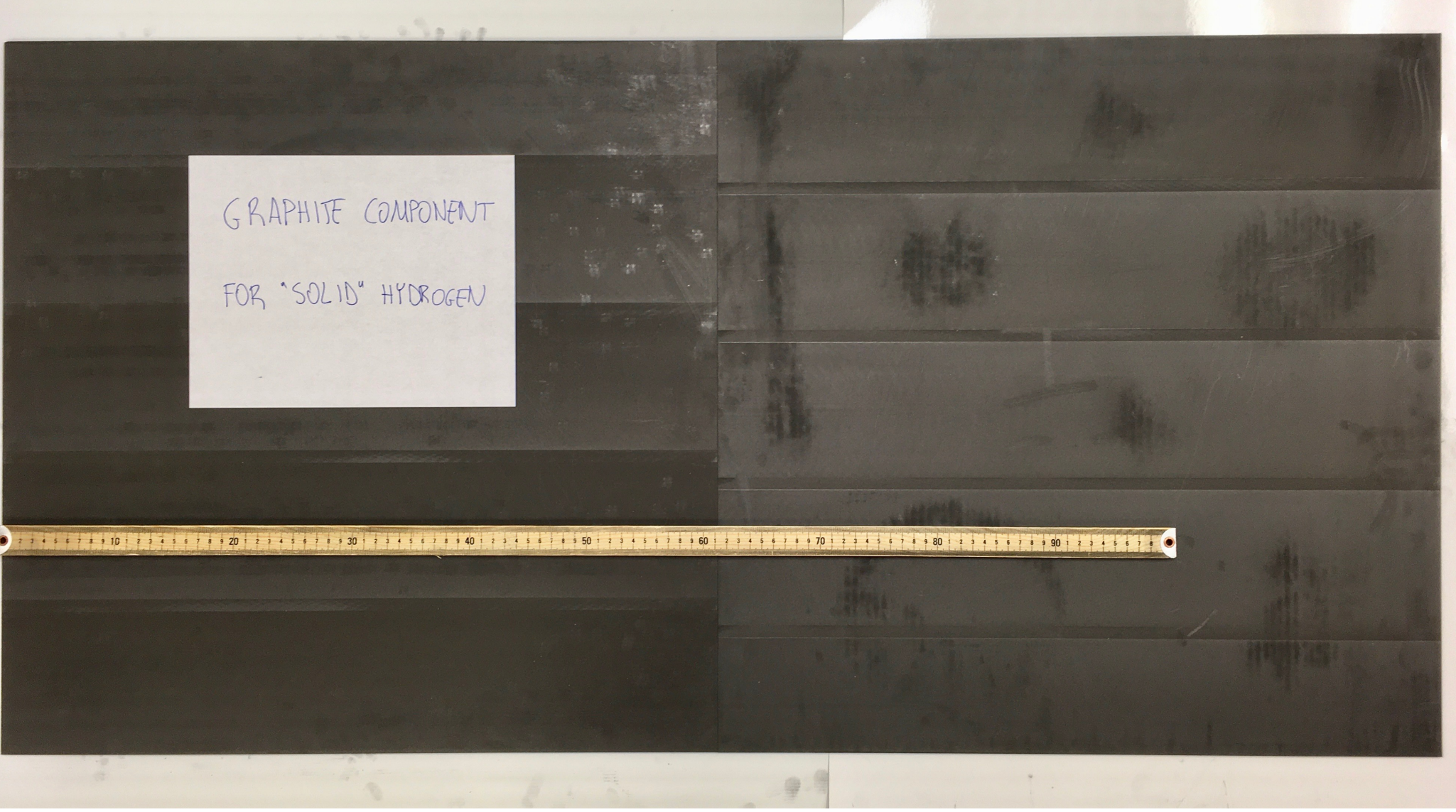
*Super-module assembly  
(4m × 3.3m) including  
1 C + 9 CH<sub>2</sub>STT modules  
clamped together  
(total thickness 371 mm)*





*Details of a super-module assembly including 1 C target module and 9 CH<sub>2</sub> target modules*

**Backup slides**

A photograph of a dark, rectangular graphite component. A white label is affixed to the left side, containing handwritten text in blue ink. A wooden ruler is placed horizontally below the component to provide a scale. The ruler shows markings in centimeters and millimeters, extending from approximately 2 cm to 92 cm. The component itself is dark and appears to be made of a solid material, likely graphite, with some surface texture and slight variations in color.

GRAPHITE COMPONENT  
FOR "SOLID" HYDROGEN

*Prototype of graphite target tested at USC:  
2 machined tiles 612mm x 612mm x 4mm (isotropic graphite, purity 100 ppm)*