# A Tagged Photon Beam for Detector R&D

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# Why include a tagged $\gamma$ beam?

- A tagged bremsstrahlung beam can be made at ASTA that will:
  - Have little impact on the e<sup>-</sup> beam
  - Be very inexpensive
  - Provide an important resource for detector R&D



Low energy γs are an important background for experiments

• ORKA (K<sup>+</sup>  $\rightarrow \pi^+ \nu$  [anti] $\nu$ )

 $- K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  w/asymmetric  $\pi^0$  decay

- K<sup>+</sup> decay at rest  $\rightarrow$  min E for  $\gamma$  from  $\pi^0$  decay = 20 MeV
- → QE (20 MeV) is often hard for EM detectors designed primarily for much higher energy
- Project X ( $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 v$  [anti]v)

 $-K^{0} \rightarrow \pi^{0}\pi^{0}$ 

- Also w/asymmetric  $\pi^0$  decay
- Decay in flight  $\rightarrow$  no lower limit on  $E(\gamma)$

### Bremsstrahlung Spectrum

- G4Beamline simulation of 1E7 e<sup>-</sup> passing through 20 microns of Al (~2E-4 of Lrad)
- Need to tune for low rate (wire in beam halo?) to get 1 gamma in relevant time window.



 $\gamma s$  produced into a forward 10 mrad cone

### Can use "Low Energy Dipole"

#### Field integral = 720 Gauss-M (~25 degree bend for 50 MeV) "We have spares."

Re ASTA dipoles.txt Subject: Re: ASTA dipoles? From: Mike Church schurch@fnal.gov;

From: Mike Church <church@fnal.gov> Date: 12/10/2012 12:18 PM To: David Christian <dcc@fnal.gov>

Dave,

Attached are the specs and drawings for our low energy (50 MeV) dipoles. Built by Everson-Tesla and we have spares.

Also attached are the drawings for the high energy dipoles. These magnets were a hybrid project between Fermilab Everson-Tesla. We have no spares.

Both these magnets can be viewed at ASTA.

Mike

On 12/10/2012 11:45 AM, David Christian wrote: > Hi Mike,

> Do you have specs for dipoles that will already be built for use in/by ASTA?
> I thought I might see if a standard magnet could be used for a bremsstrahlung beam.

> - Dave

Attachments: LED\_spec\_09\_30\_10.pdf 129 KB LED Magnets Design Parameters\_final.doc 61.5 KB LED 53094-B DWG\_final.pdf 1.4 MB dipole\_assembly\_color.pdf 204 KB RFP\_371081-09pg.pdf 518 KB



## Possible layout



- Thin wire → "minor" beam disruption
- Wire or beam can be moved while tagged beam is not in use
- No expensive parts required
  - Extra magnets (use existing spares)
  - Vacuum pipe
  - Detector array scintillator or SSD depending on available real estate

### Another possibility

