INSTRUCTIONS

How to package samples to be irradiated at the PS-IRRAD facilities

- Prepare a square paperboard holder having the following dimensions (49.5±0.5 x 49.5±0.5) mm² and a thickness of 1 mm (see Fig. 1 A)
- Cut a square hole into the center of the paperboard having dimensions according to the size of your sample. For samples having a dimension of 10x10 mm, the hole has to be 11x11 mm. (Fig. 1 B)
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Several paperboards with standard hole are readily available or can easily be produced with a special tool in our laboratory. Standard square holes are: \Box 5 mm² until \Box 15 mm² in steps of 1 mm.

- **3.** Fig. 1 C shows the further preparation of the paperboard. Use a scotch tape (*CERN SCEM:* 04.95.45.A INDUSTRIAL TAPES, SELF-ADHESIVE CREPE PAPER LOW ADHERENCE) with a small self-adhesive label on it to protect the sample. For proton fluences higher than 10^{15} p/cm² a Kapton tape (*CERN SCEM:* 04.94.70 SELF-ADHESIVE TAPES FOR ELECTRONICS KAPTON) has to be used.
- **4.** Put one or two samples into the board and close the second side like the first side (Fig 1 E)

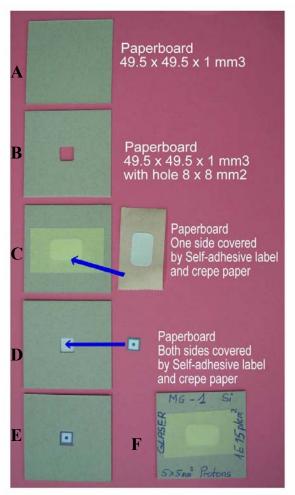


Figure 1.: Packaging of small samples for irradiation.

- **5.** Label the cardboard properly! The following information has to be written in clear writing on the paperboard (see Fig 1 F):
 - 1) USER NAME
 - 2) SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION: If more than one sample is in the board, specify which sample is which! We have to unpack samples before shipping and a clear assignment has to be possible in order to avoid confusion.
 - 3) MATERIAL
 - 4) ACTIVE SIZE (please specify the thickness if it's > 300um)
 - 5) TYPE of particle (p, n, π)
 - 6) FLUENCE (p/cm^2) Note: Use the real particle fluence <u>No 1 MeV-eq normalization please</u>!

Further comments:

(1&2) Do not use more than five characters for both User Name and Sample ID