

## P1 Quad-Socket ADC ASIC Board Production Test Procedure

### Board Overview

#### [Schematics](#)

Test Board Components:

- FPGA mezzanine
- Ethernet transceiver
- quad-socket ADC ASIC board

Cabling:

- 1 main power cable
- 1 intermediate power cable
- 1 LEMO analog signal cable
- 1 ethernet cable

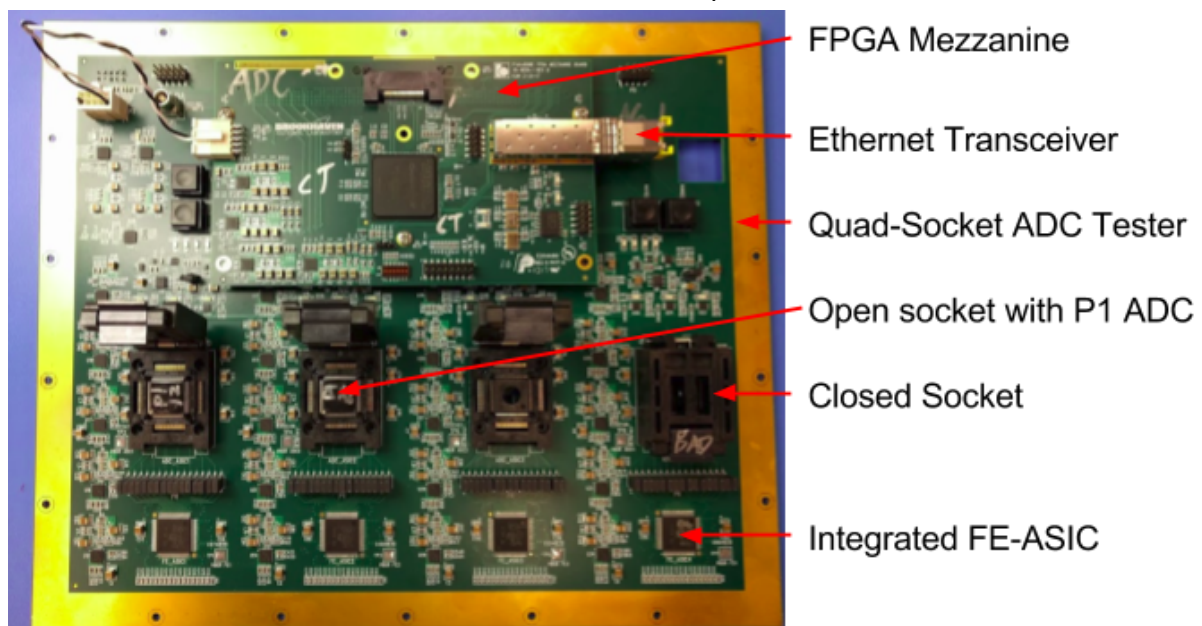
Test Stand Hardware:

- 1 DAQ PC with ethernet card, keyboard, mouse, monitor
- 1 power supply with 4.5V output, 3A current limit
- 1 function generator (using Agilent 33600a)
- 1 metal bucket
- pulley + hoist assembly
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Test Stand Software :

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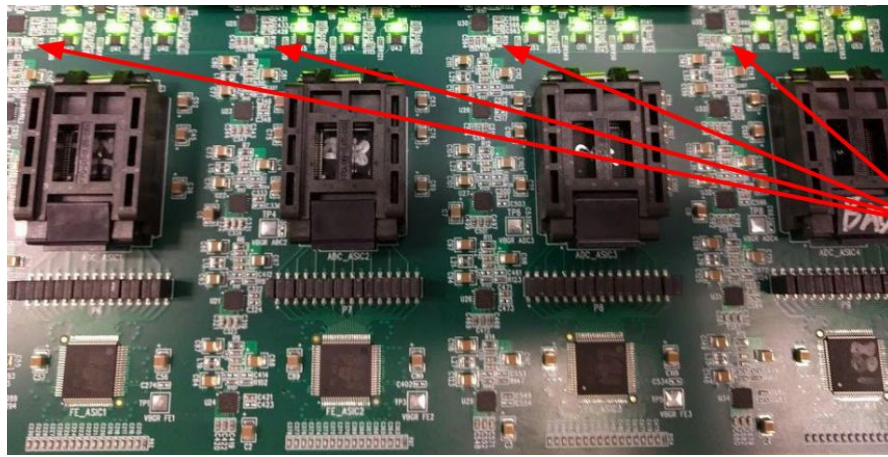
Quad-socket P1 ADC ASIC Test Board with Main Components Identified



### Socket Status LED Overview

The power supply for each ADC ASIC and electronic devices associated with its socket can be individually turned on or off by the FPGA. On power up the ADC sockets are not powered and need to be turned on before configuration and data taking can start. Socket power status LEDs provide a visual reference for the state of each socket. The LEDs are green when the ADC and socket electronics are turned off and turn red when power is enabled by the FPGA. The shifter can use these LEDs to confirm that the ADCs have been powered on or off.

The shifter should not directly handle the board when the test board is on. The shifter should only touch or handle the board when the 4.5V power supply output is off. At this point the status LEDs are off.



Socket Power  
Status LEDs

**Test Stand Setup (for shift leader or expert)**

Setup the test stand with the following configuration:

- HIGH Z function generator output impedance
- 4.5V output on one power supply channel, all others 0V (to avoid mistakes)
- power supply negative outputs tied to ground
- verify correct intermediate power cable orientation (refer to images)
- ensure correct software on operator account, GUI is ready for shifter
- verify function generator control is working correctly

## **Procedure Overview**

### **Preparation**

- 1) Verify test board hardware status
- 2) Place ADC ASICs in test board sockets
- 3) Move test board to quad ADC ASIC test stand
- 4) Verify power supply 4.5V output is off, configuration is correct
- 5) Attach required cables to test board
- 6) Start quad-socket ADC production test GUI if not already started
- 7) Enter requested information into GUI
- 8) Turn power supply 4.5V output ON
- 9) Check ADC ASIC status using waveform viewer and terminal information
- 10) Reseat or replace ADC ASICs if necessary (several step procedure)

### **Liquid Nitrogen Immersion**

- 11) Turn power supply 4.5V output OFF
- 12) Insert test board into basket
- 13) Hang basket on hoist + pulley system
- 14) Turn power supply 4.5V output ON
- 15) Verify ADC ASICs are still working well using waveform viewer and terminal information
- 16) Immerse ASICs board in liquid nitrogen (several step procedure)
- 17) Make final adjustments if necessary
- 18) Close waveform viewer window

### **Cryogenic Production Test**

- 19) Press GUI button "Start Tests"
- 20) Monitor test progress with terminal output
- 21) Check summary plots that display after test finishes
- 22) Enter test results in spreadsheet
- 23) Press GUI button "Reset"

### **Warm Up and Drying**

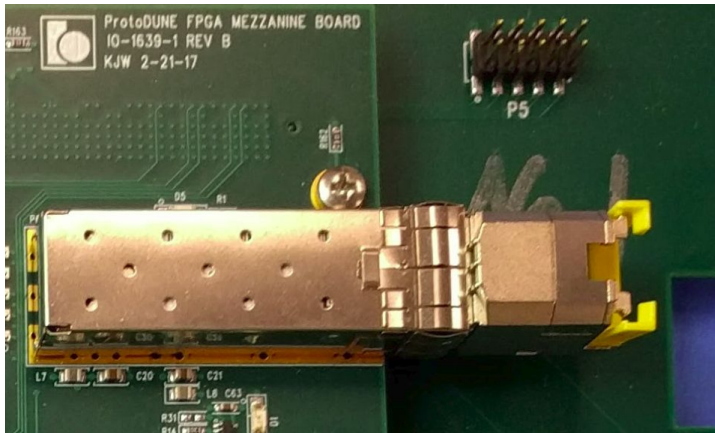
- 24) Turn power supply 4.5V output OFF
- 25) Disconnect test-board cables from power supply
- 26) Raise board out of liquid nitrogen and bag
- 27) Leave basket hanging in air for ~20 minutes to warm up
- 28) Move basket + cables to unbagging area
- 29) Remove test board from basket
- 30) Remove ADC ASICs and place in appropriate containers
- 31) Dry board (several step procedure)

### Procedure Step 1: Verify test board hardware

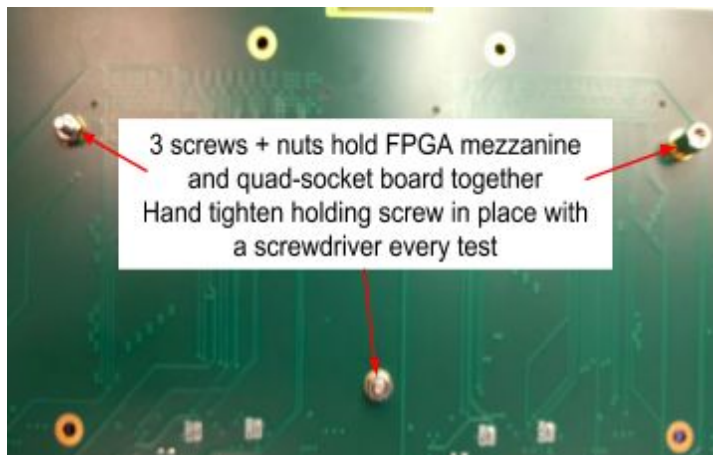
Check that the integrated FPGA + quad-socket test board has the following:

- 1) Ethernet transceiver inserted and well seated
- 2) 3 screws holding FPGA board to ASIC board, hand tighten if necessary
- 3) Standoffs on top of board
- 4) Intermediate power cable between quad-socket and FPGA boards

#### Ethernet Transceiver



#### Tighten Screws



Stand offs: protect power cable and prevent bottom of board getting dirty



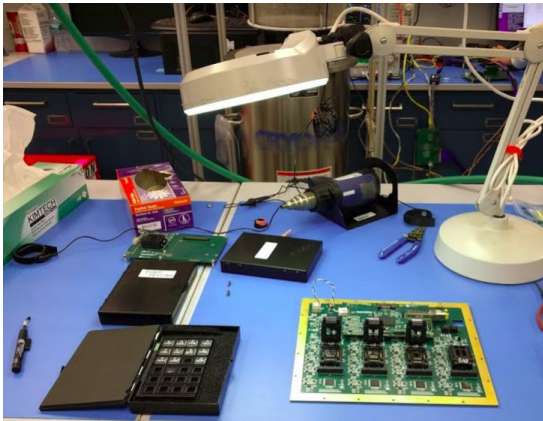


## Procedure Step 2: ASIC placement

Place three ADC ASICs in test board sockets

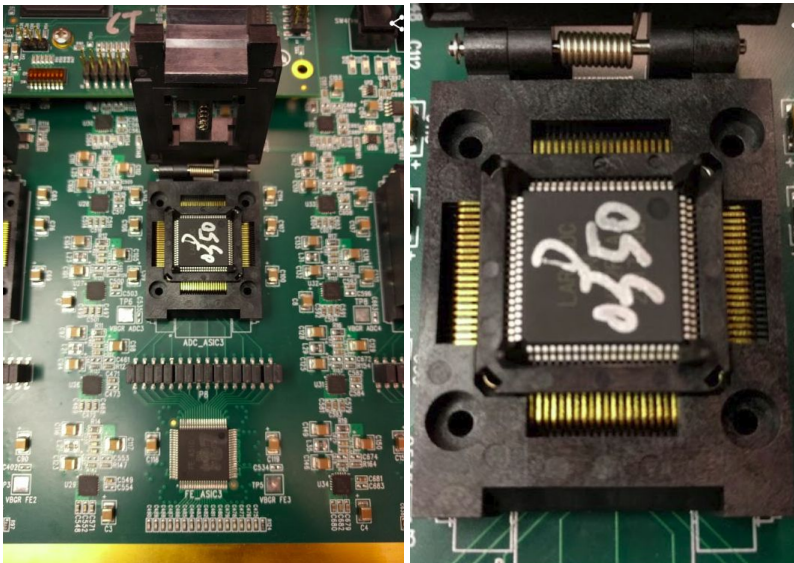
1. Move test board to staging area
2. Place box of ASICs to be tested beside test board
3. Open test board sockets 1,2,3. Do not open socket 4, which should be labelled "BAD" or similar
4. Use suction pen to place 3 P1 ADC ASICs in sockets. The large dot imprint on the ASIC top surface must be in the top-right of the socket. See image below for orientation.
5. Close sockets. Verify that latch is secure before moving board in next step

Quad-Socket Test Board in Preparation Area



## P1 ASIC in Test Board Socket

-ensure large dot imprint is to the top right when looking into the open socket of the FE-ASIC



**Procedure Step 3:** Move test board to quad-socket ADC test stand

Carefully move uncabled board to test stand and place in marked position on lab bench top

-Need to mark position on bench top

-add picture of board in correct position pre-cabling [HERE](#)

**Procedure Step 4:** Verify power supply 4.5V output is off, configuration is correct

Look at the low voltage power supply and verify the following:

1. The power supply is configured to supply 4.5V output voltage
2. The power supply outputs are OFF.





### **Procedure Step 5:** Attach required cables to test board

Attach the three required cables to the test board:

1. Low voltage power supply cable: connect to connector on bottom of board and to 4.5V power supply output. White plug goes to positive (+) voltage output and black plug to negative (-) voltage output
2. Insert ethernet cable into transceiver on test board FPGA mezzanine
3. Insert LEMO cable into external signal input connector on test board and function generator channel 1 output

### Low Voltage Power Cable Plugs in Power Supply Outputs



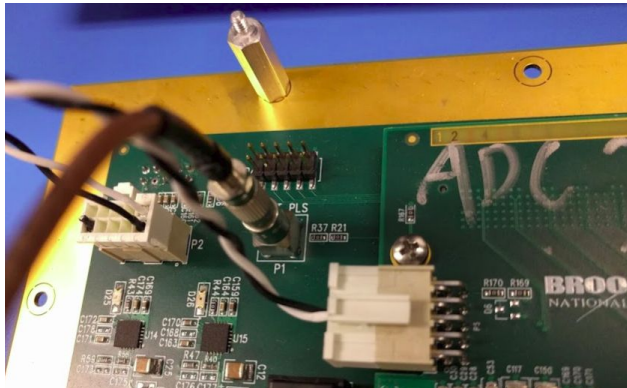
### Low Voltage Power Connector on Back of Quad-Socket Test Board



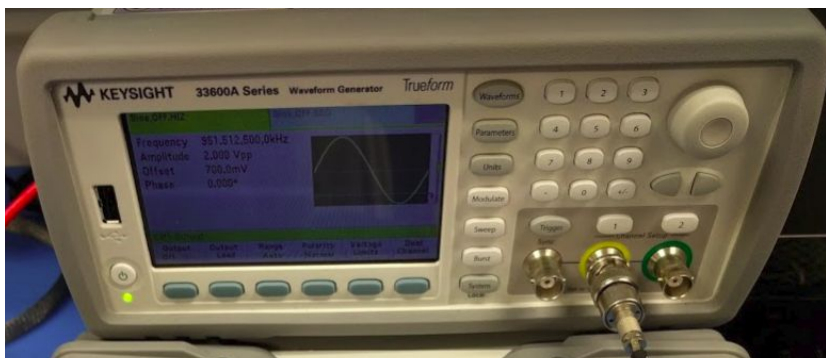
### Ethernet Cable in Transceiver



LEMO Cable Inserted into Test Board External Signal Input Connector



LEMO Cable Attached to Function Generator Channel 1 Output



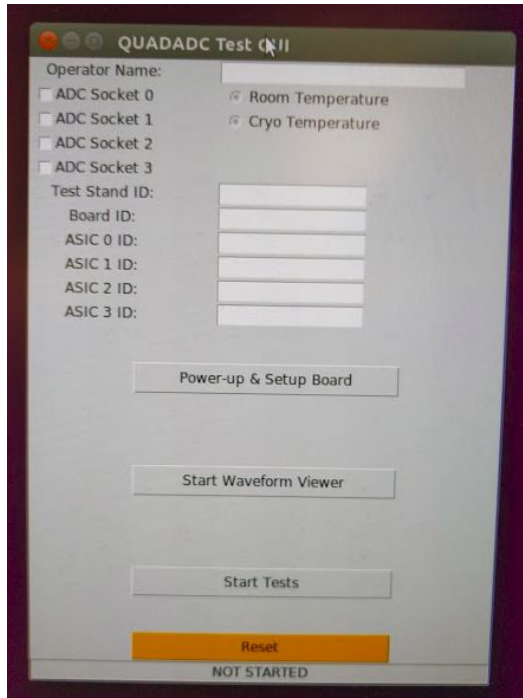
Fully Cabled Test Board on Test Stand Cabling



**Procedure Step 6:** Start quad-socket ADC production test GUI if not already started  
Verify that the test-stand PC is running has the production test GUI pictured below. If the GUI is not running then rerun the terminal command “quadadc\_prod\_gui”

**Procedure Step 7:** Enter requested information into GUI

Quad-Socket ADC ASIC Production Test GUI



**Production Step 8:** Turn power supply 4.5V output ON

Turn the 4.5V power supply output ON.

1. For the RIGOL DP832 and DP832A model power supplies, press the “On” button for the appropriate power supply channel.
2. Verify that the channel status indicator shows the channel is ON. For the RIGOL supplies this means the “On” button is illuminated green
3. Read the current draw of the power supply 4.5V output from the display. For the single channel output configuration it should slowly reach 1.8A over

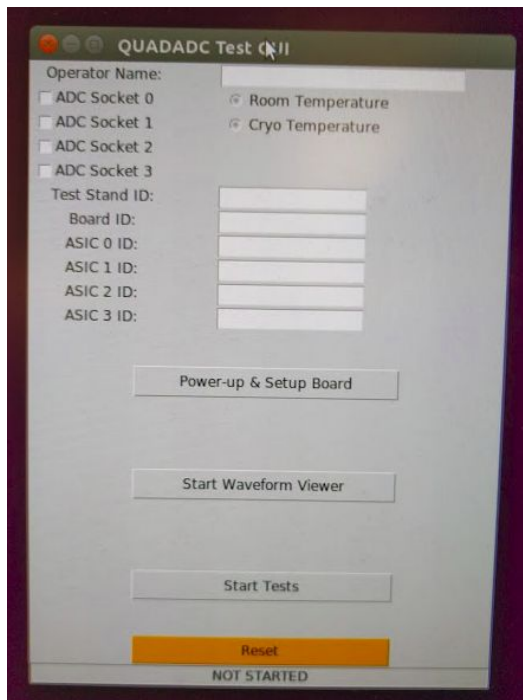
RIGOL Power Supply with 4.5V Output ON



**Production Step 9:** Check ADC ASIC status using waveform viewer and terminal information

1. Press the GUI “Power Up & Setup Board” button and view the information printed to the terminal window.
2. Check the terminal for a “Setup Initialized” and ASIC status messages
3. Press the “Start Waveform Viewer” button and verify a sinusoidal waveform is clearly visible for each channel on each ASIC

Quad-Socket ADC ASIC Production Test GUI



**Production Step 10:** Reseat or replace ADC ASICs if necessary

If an ASIC is not functioning correctly, the shifter should follow current shift guidelines about whether to replace it. Use the following procedure to replace the ASIC:

1. Close the waveform viewer window by pressing the “x” button on the top left of the window.
2. Turn power supply 4.5V output OFF. For the RIGOL DP832 supplies this means pressing the “On” button and verifying it’s no longer illuminated and the display states the output is OFF
3. Uncable the quad-socket test-board. Remove the cables listed in Step 5
4. Move the test board to the ASIC installation area
5. Remove the non-functioning ASIC and replace with a new ASIC to be tested. Follow shift guidelines for what to do with the non-functioning ASIC.
6. Repeat Steps 3-9.



**Production Step 11:** Turn power supply 4.5V output OFF

Turn the 4.5V power supply output OFF.

1. For the RIGOL DP832 and DP832A model power supplies, press the “On” button for the appropriate power supply channel.
2. Verify that the channel status indicator shows all power supply channels are OFF.  
For the RIGOL DP832 supplies this means pressing the “On” button and verifying it's no longer illuminated and the display states the output is OFF
3. Read the current draw of the power supply 4.5V output from the display. It should display 0A on all channels.

RIGOL Power Supply with 4.5V Output OFF



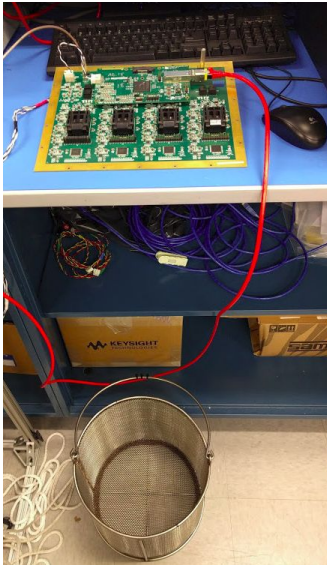


### **Production Step 12: Insert test board into basket**

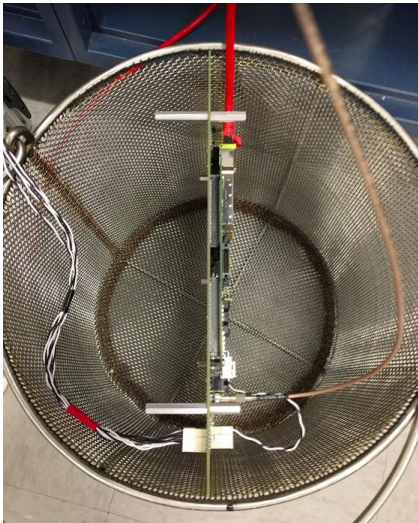
Insert the cabled and unpowered test board into the immersion basket.

1. Place the immersion basket in front of the test stand (see picture)
2. Pick up the test board and hold it vertically with the FPGA board defining the top.
3. Insert the board test board into the basket, aligning the board edges with the black marks on the rim of the basket (see picture)

#### **Immersion Basket Placed in Front of Test Stand**



#### **Test Board Inserted into Immersion Basket**



**Production Step 13:** Hang basket on hoist + pulley system

Pick up basket handle and attach to hook on tower hoist and pulley system.

**Production Step 14:** Turn power supply 4.5V output ON

Turn the 4.5V power supply output ON.

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3. Read the current draw of the power supply 4.5V output from the display. For the single channel output configuration it should slowly reach 1.8A over.
4. If the current draw is higher than 3A or the voltage output drops significantly below 4.5V turn off the power supply immediately inform the shift leader.

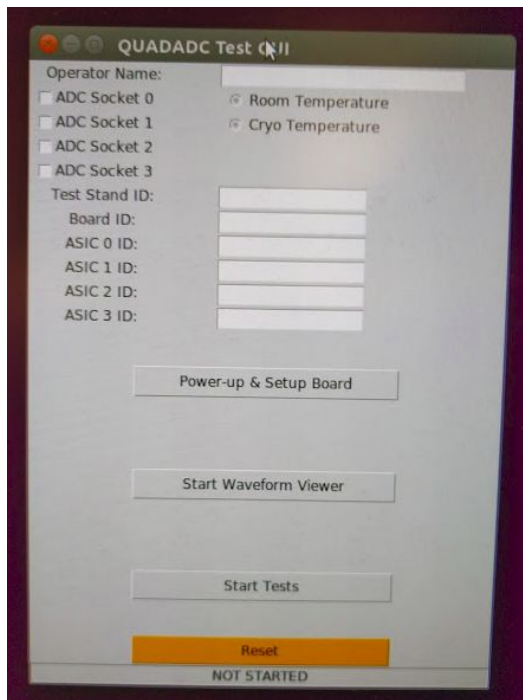
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**Production Step 15:** Verify ADC ASICs are still working well using waveform viewer and terminal information

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2. Check the terminal for a “Setup Initialized” and ASIC status messages
3. Press the “Start Waveform Viewer” button and verify a sinusoidal waveform is clearly visible for each channel on each ASIC

Quad-Socket ADC ASIC Production Test GUI



**Production Step 16:** Immerse ADC ASICs in liquid nitrogen (several step procedure, similar to single-socket procedure)

Slowly lower the test board into liquid nitrogen until the ADC ASICs are fully immersed. View the waveform viewer to ensure ADC ASICs continue to function while being immersed.

1. Lower the basket until the bottom is immersed. Stop and wait until liquid nitrogen stops boiling.
2. Lower basket until bottom of test board to just below ASIC sockets is immersed in liquid nitrogen. Stop and wait until liquid nitrogen stops boiling.
3. Slowly lower basket and immerse ADC ASIC sockets. View the waveform viewer to monitor ADC ASIC performance. Lower the basket until socket status LEDs are level with the liquid nitrogen surface.

**Production Step 17:** Make final adjustments if necessary

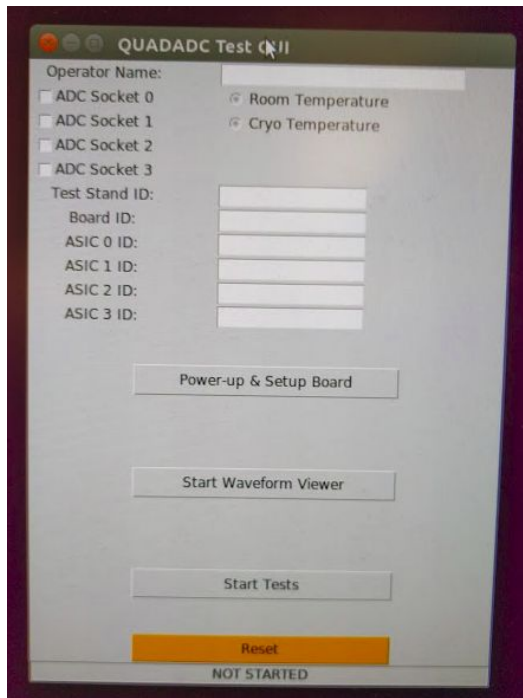
Depending on ADC ASIC status follow current shift guidelines about how to recover non-functioning ASICs.

**Production Step 18:** Close waveform viewer window

Close the waveform viewer window by pressing the “x” button on the top left of the window.



**Production Step 19:** Press GUI button “Start Tests”



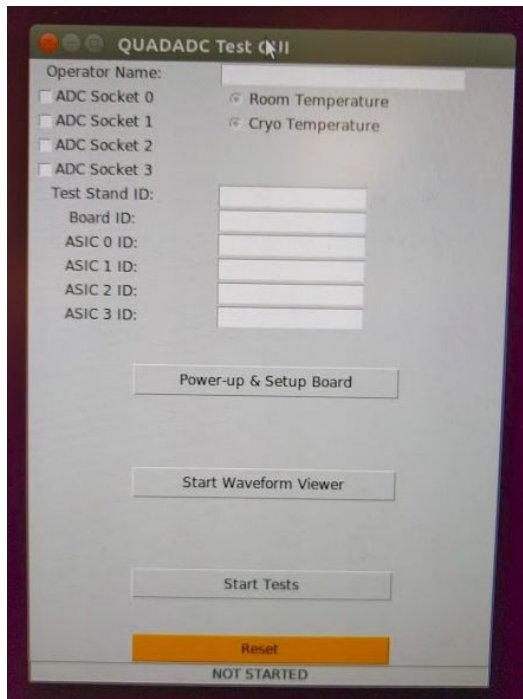
**Production Step 20:** Monitor test progress with terminal output

View the terminal text and look for error messages. New text should appear at least every 30 seconds. The test is complete when summary plots are displayed.

**Production Step 21:** Check summary plots that display after test finishes  
Verify that the test completed and whether each ADC ASIC passed quality cuts.

**Production Step 22:** Enter test results in spreadsheet  
Enter results of test into cold electronics results spreadsheet

**Production Step 23:** Press GUI button “Reset”  
Reset fields in GUI by pressing “Reset” button.



**Production Step 24:** Turn power supply 4.5V output OFF

Turn the 4.5V power supply output OFF.

4. For the RIGOL DP832 and DP832A model power supplies, press the “On” button for the appropriate power supply channel.
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RIGOL Power Supply with 4.5V Output OFF



**Production Step 25:** Disconnect test-board cables from power supply  
Unplug test board cables from power supply output, and function generator.



**Production Step 26:** Raise board out of liquid nitrogen and place bag.  
Quickly raise board out of liquid nitrogen and place bag around basket. The bag limits frost appearing on board surface, so the bag should be reasonably air tight.

**Production Step 27:** Leave basket hanging in air for ~20 minutes to warm up

**Production Step 28:** Move basket + cables to unbagging area.

**Production Step 29:** Remove test board from basket  
Remove test board from basket and place in ASIC staging area

**Production Step 30:** Remove ADC ASICs and place in appropriate containers  
Use the vacuum pen to remove ADC ASICs from test board sockets. Follow shift guidelines regarding where to place ASICs given the results of the production test.

**Production Step 31:** Dry the test board  
Dry the test board to remove condensation. Follow shift guidelines regarding current drying procedures.

## **Common Test Stand Problems, Debugging and Solutions**

### **Receive “register read error” message during room temperature test board setup or when running waveform viewer at room temperature**

- check that test board is correctly cabled
- check that transceiver is seated correctly in FPGA transceiver socket
- check the 4.5V power supply output is ON and current draw is normal. If current draw is >100mA below normal value the FPGA board may not be receiving power
- try running terminal command “sudo restart-network” and check if problem persists. Attempt this several times
- ask the shift leader to check network card configuration
- try a different board and check if problem persists

### **Receive “register read error” message in the middle of a cryogenic production test**

- check the 4.5V power supply output is ON and current draw is normal.
- it is possible that transceiver has become too cold to function. The production test should end, and the board powered down then removed from LN2 following the standard shift procedure. Check if the board works correctly at room temperature.

### **An error message causes the test to stall or crash. Test summary plots are not displayed at the end of the test**

- this is a major error. Inform the shift leader and copy and paste terminal information for entire test into a new ELOG post.



