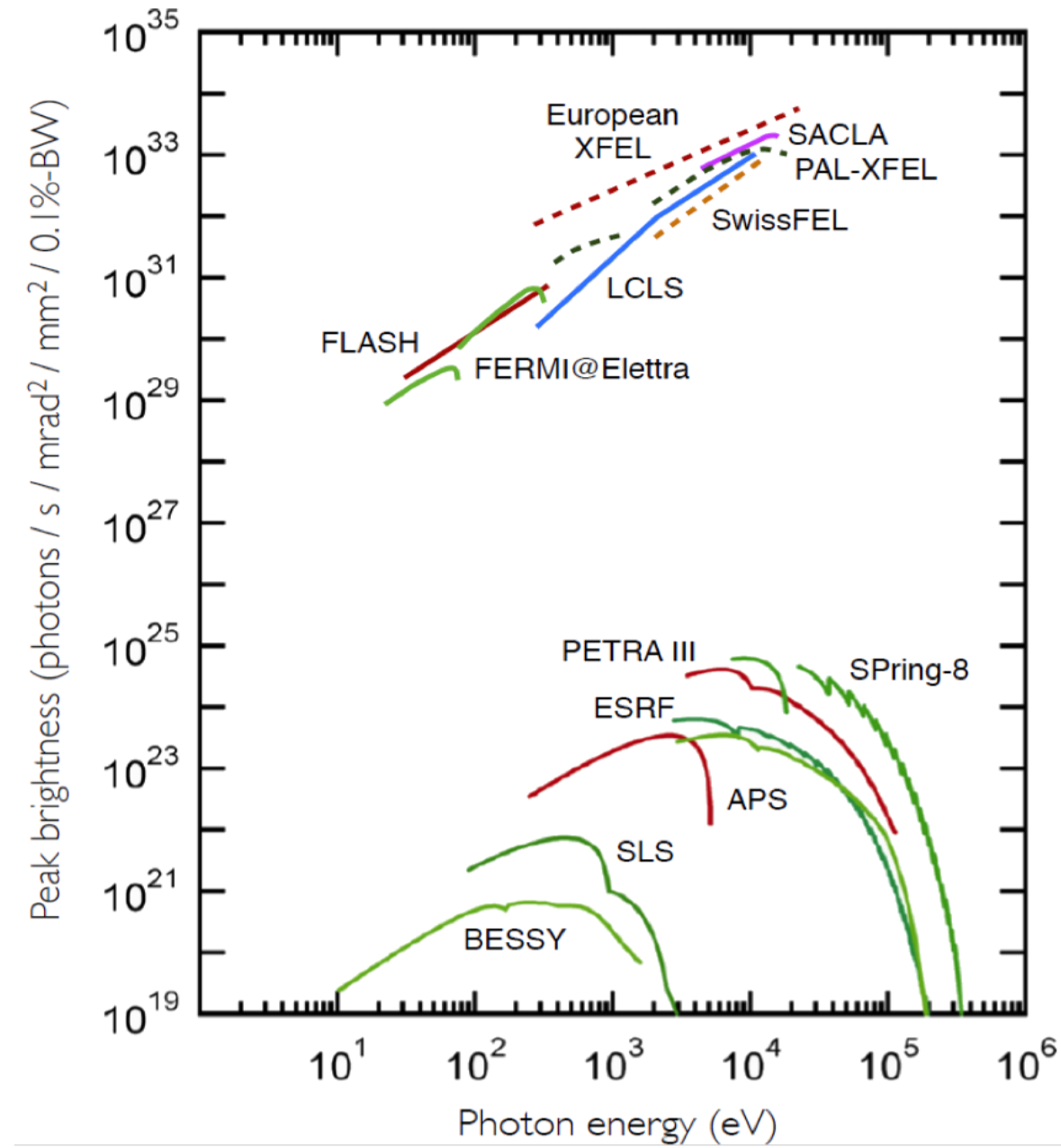


The PERCIVAL soft X-ray detector.

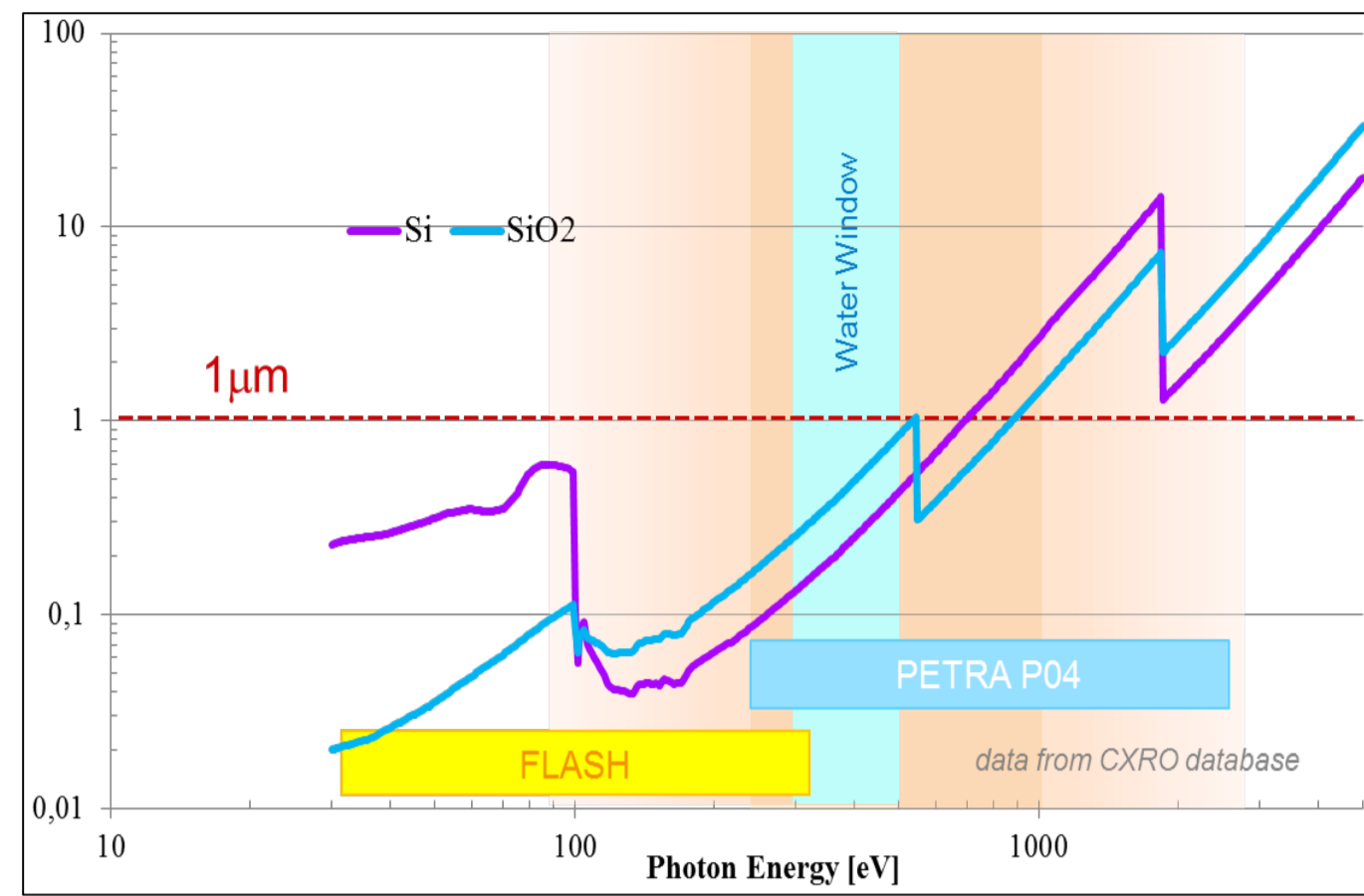


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Motivations and Goals



Attenuation Length of Photons in Si and SiO₂



Detecting photons in the water window is challenging due to the sub-μm absorption lengths for Si and SiO₂. The Entrance window needs to be minimised while ensuring a suitable field geometry near the surface.

Brilliance of photon sources increases and thus detectors are required to simultaneously provide:

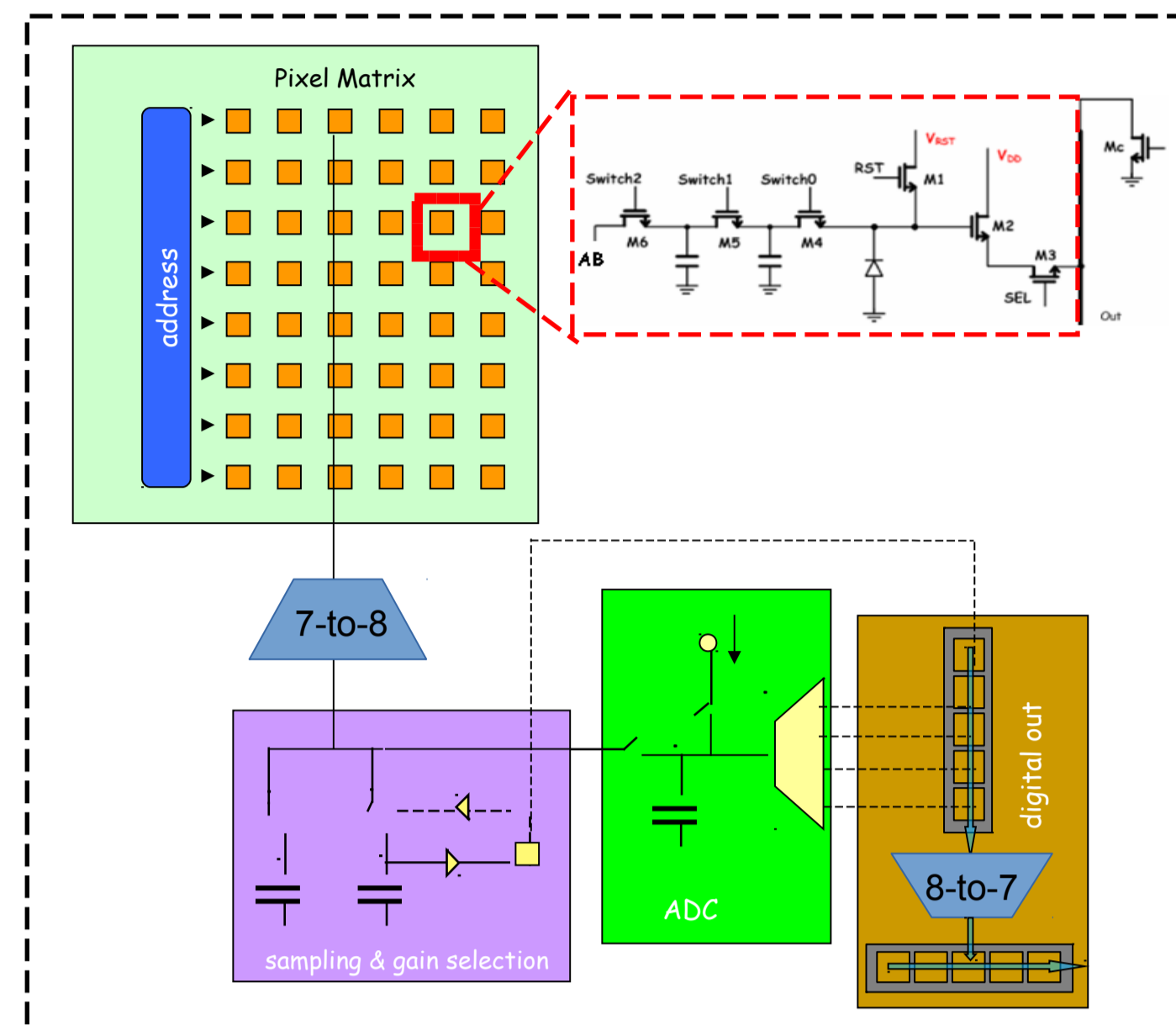
- high dynamic range
- single-photon discrimination

New detectors needed!

PERCIVAL: a collaboration between DESY, STFC, ELETTRA, DLS and PAL.

- Primary energy range: < 250 eV to 1 keV
- Single photon sensitivity
- High dynamic range
- 100 % fill factor (back-thinned, thinned passivation layer for optimal backside-illumination)
- Multi-Megapixel, small pixels (10s μm)
- High and uniform QE

Monolithic Active Sensor CMOS



Lateral Overflow and Parallelisation

The pixel is based on a 3T structure enhanced with a series of switches and capacitors connected in parallel. Embedded lateral overflow circuitry increases the capacity of each individual pixel on a frame-to-frame basis, adapting to the photon flux.

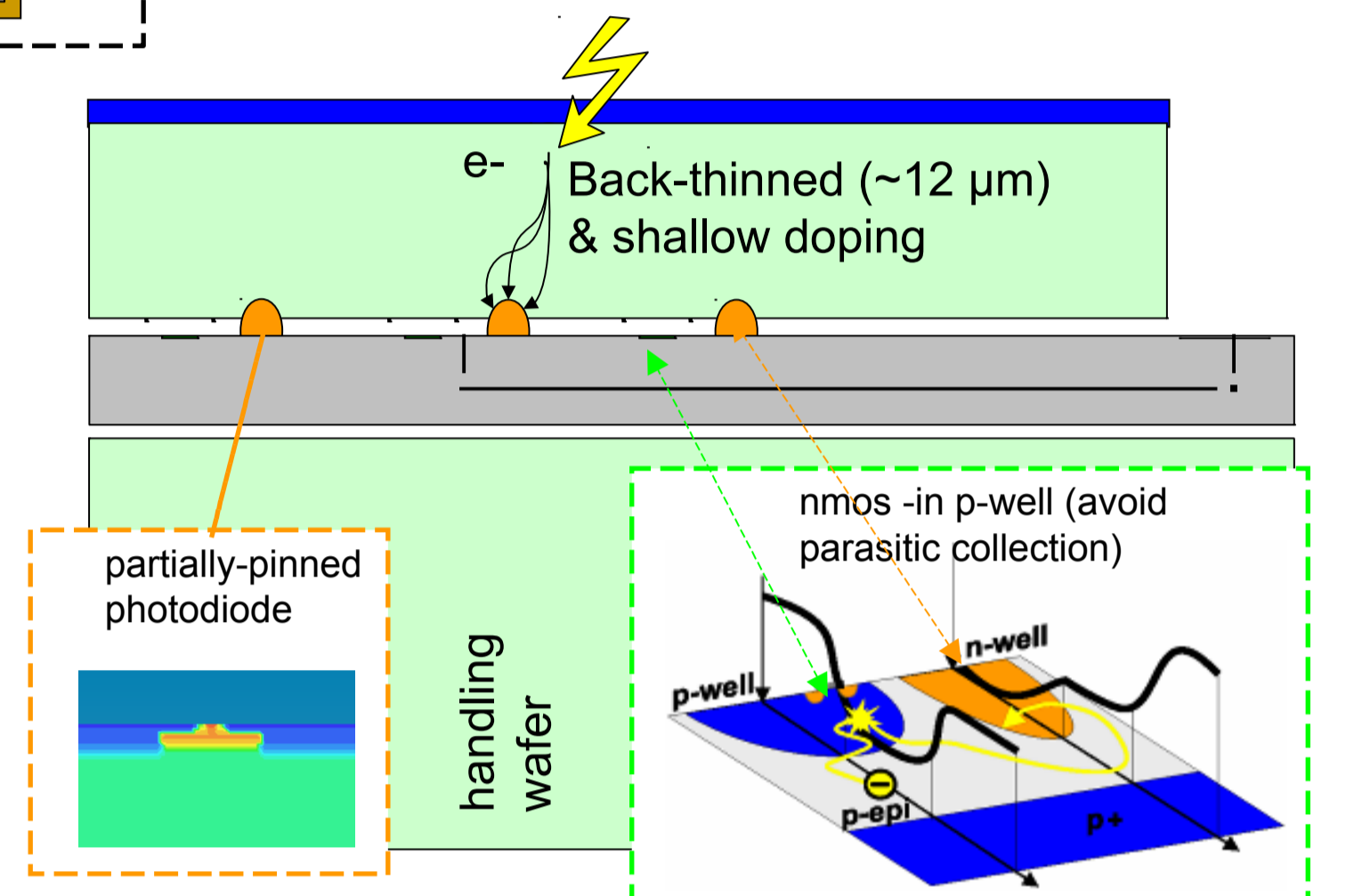
Each column is equipped with 7 (+1) ADCs consisting of three stages: coarse, fine and gain with a total of 12 + 2 (+1) = 15 bits to be read out per pixel.

Correlated Double/Multiple Sampling (CDS/CMS) is performed to reduce the noise.

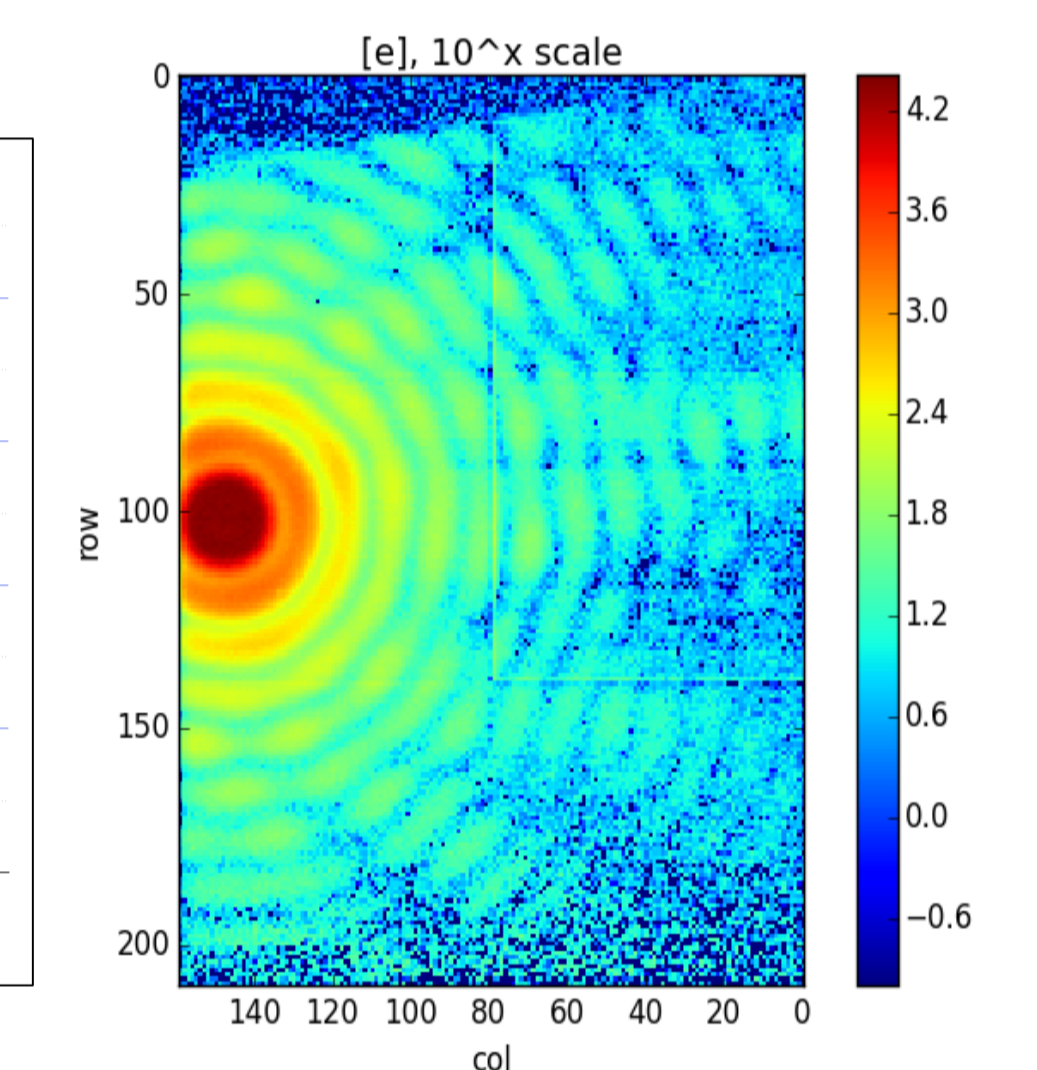
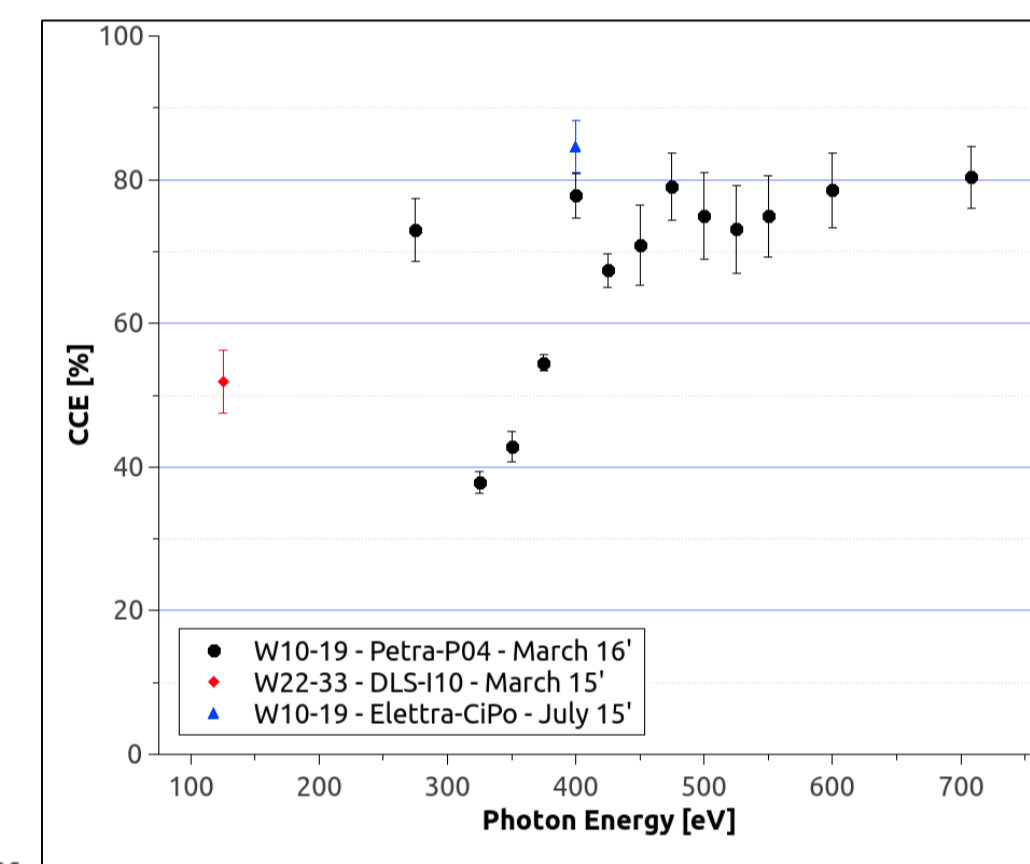
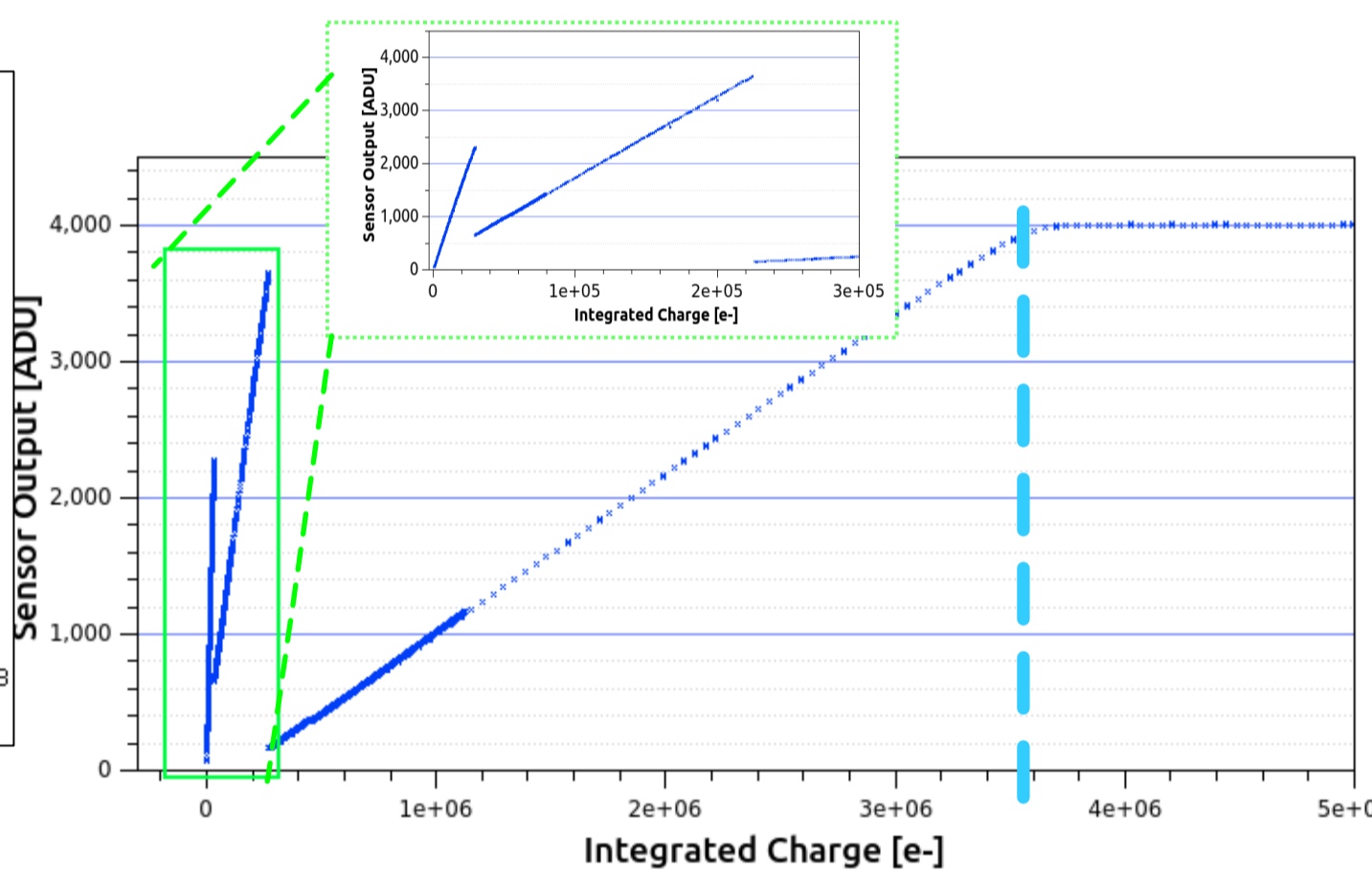
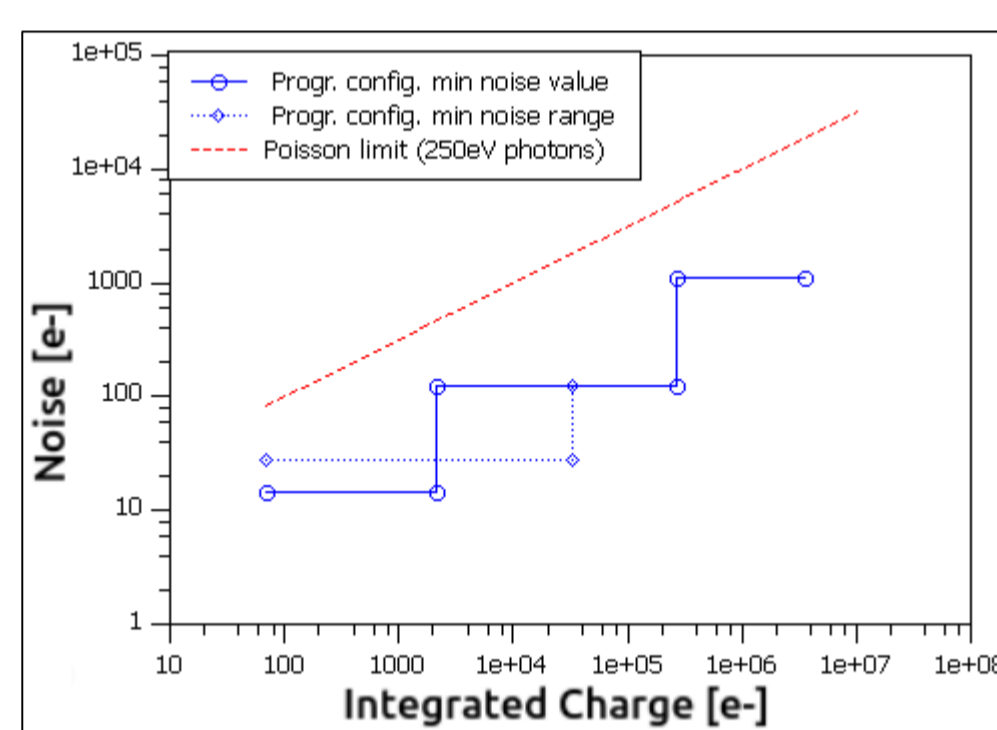
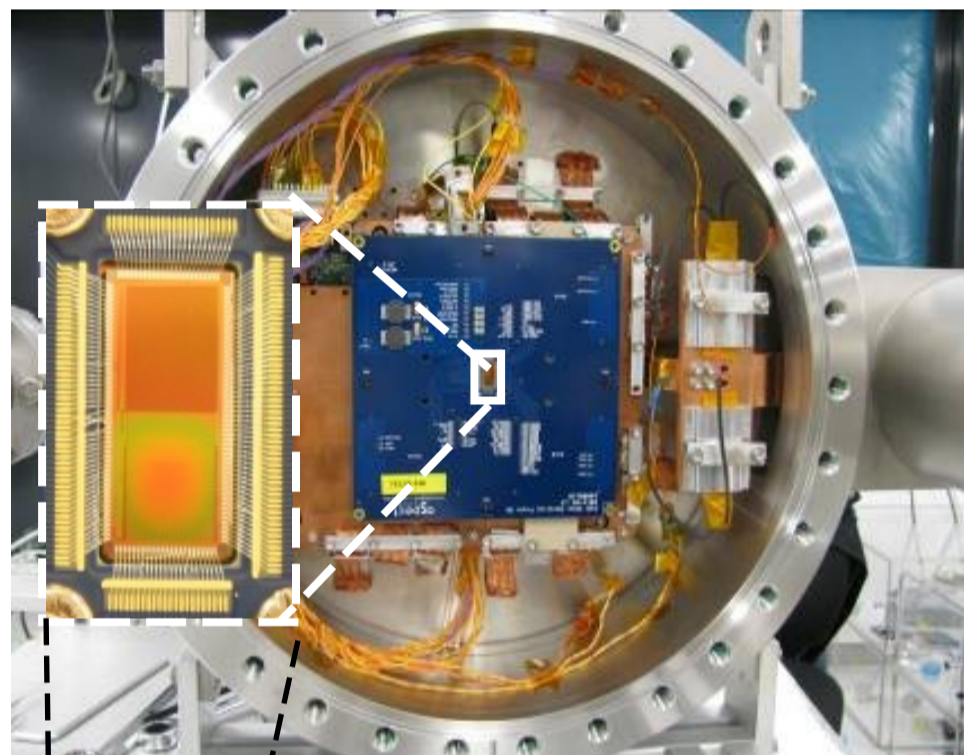
Wafer Post-Processing

Different wafer post-process options have been investigated:

- δ-doping implemented by JPL/NASA consists of Low Temperature Molecular Beam Epitaxy to bring the window entrance thickness to few nm
- Alternatively, a combination of shallow doping and laser annealing made by IBS/EMFT could reach ~ 20-30 nm thickness



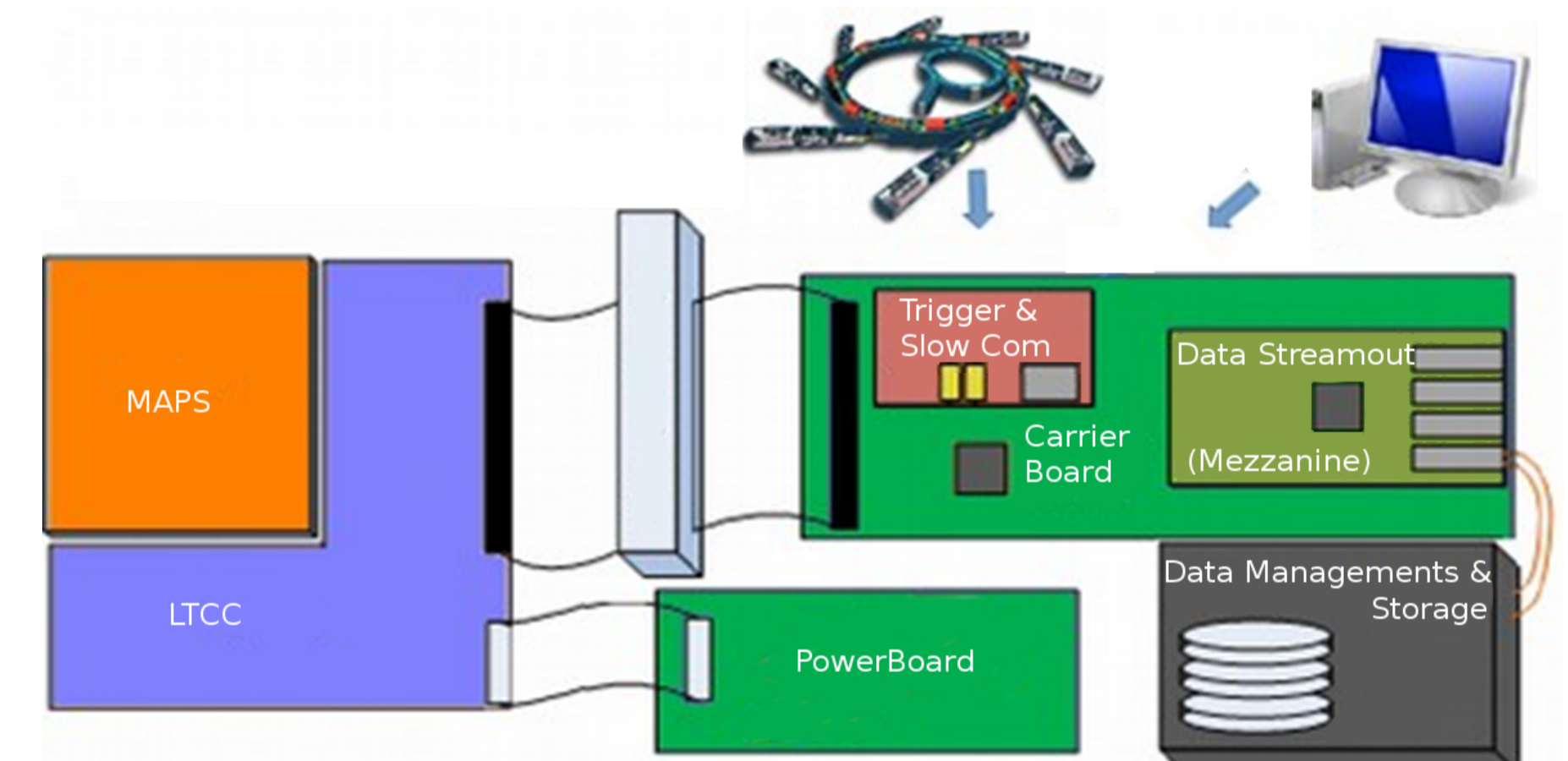
Prototype Characterisation



Scaling up from prototype to full P2M

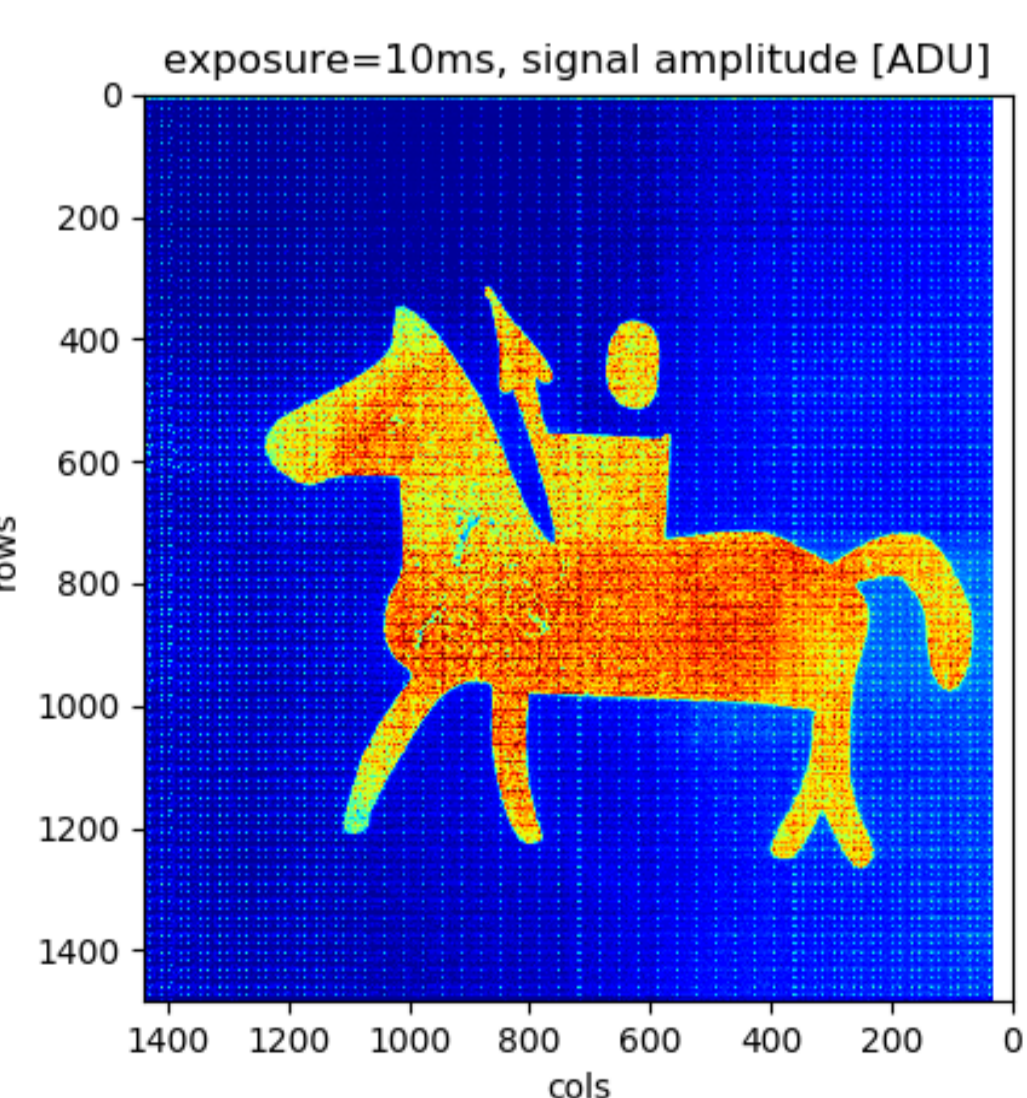
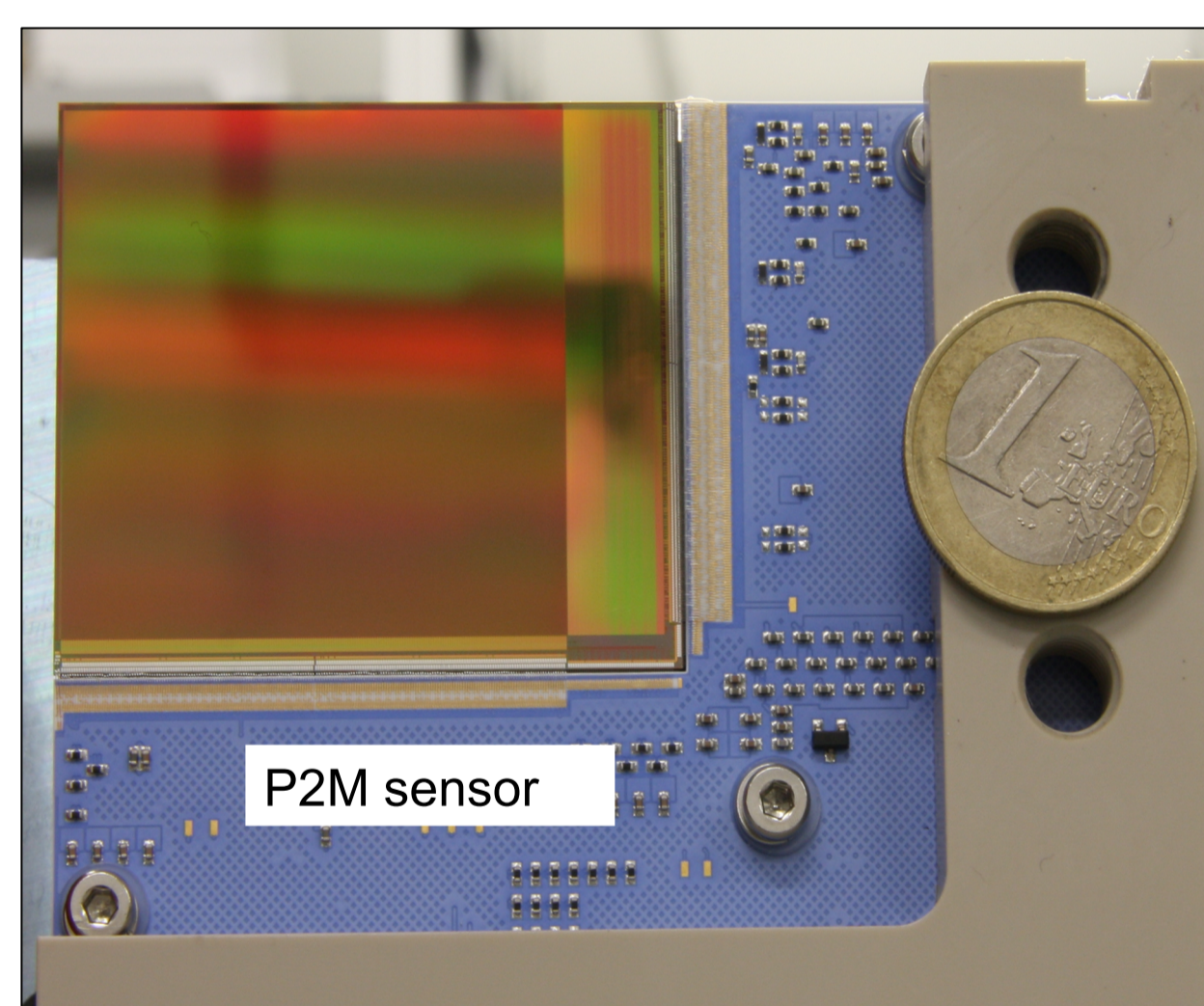
Full P2M System, under test

- 2 Megapixels (~ 4x4 cm² imaging area, layout stitching)
- 27 μm pixel pitch
- Auto-adaptive gain to incoming flux, per pixel, real time
- 2-side buttable: cloverleaf arrangement of 4 modules possible

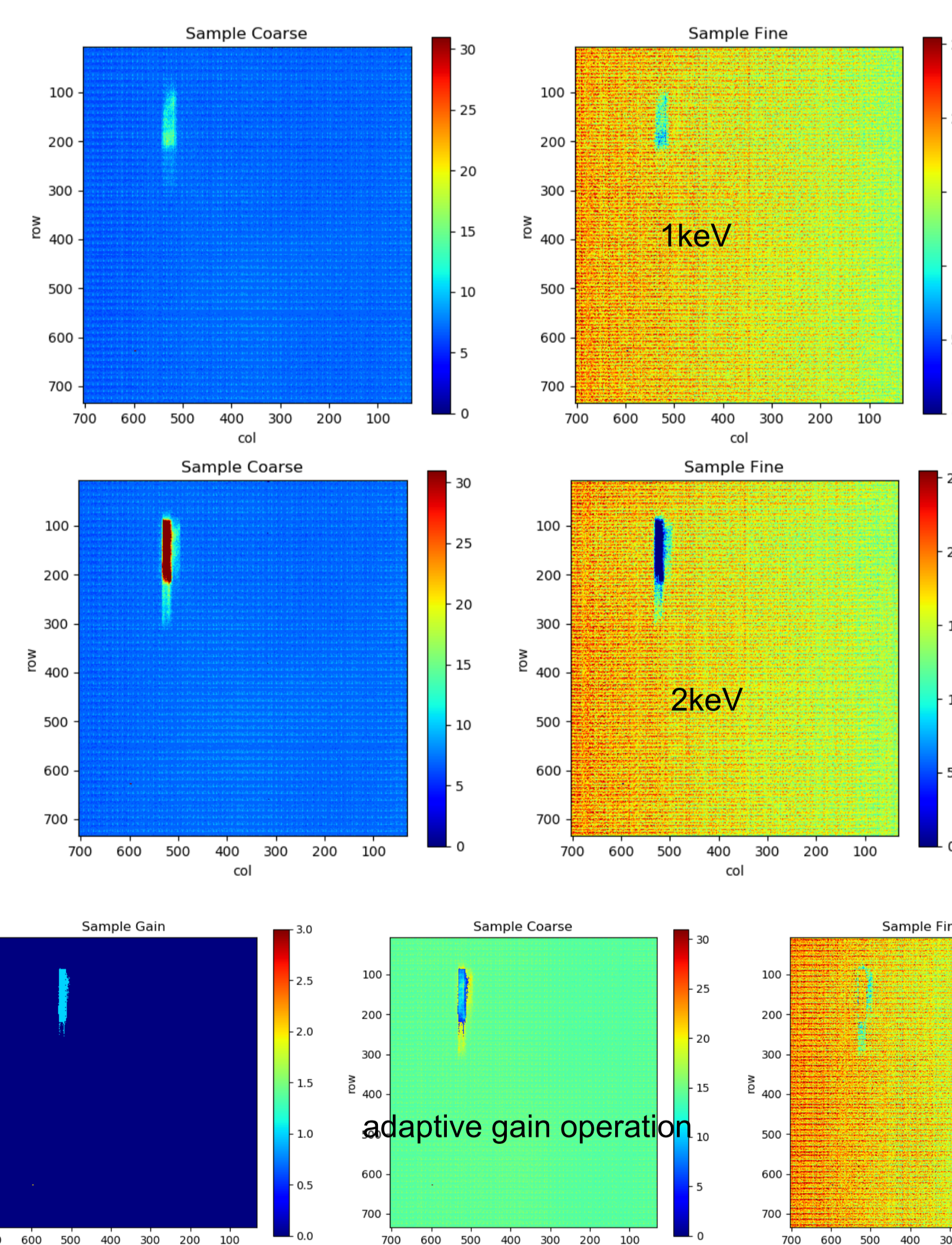


- Carrier board (re-configurable clocks & control)
- PowerBoard (bias & monitoring)
- Mezzanine board (stream-out data // 10Gb ports)

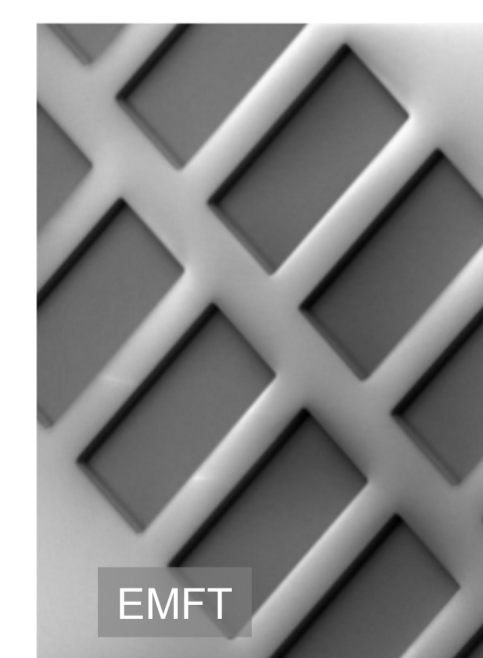
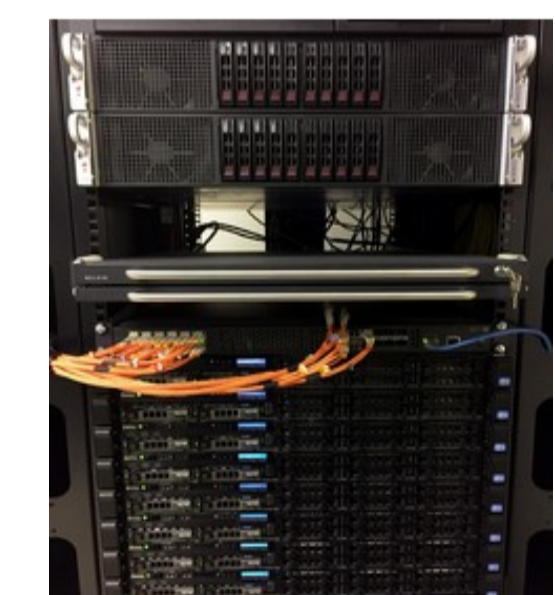
- 20Gb/s data out, (or x4 if cloverleaf):
 - DAQ interface (deep switch & multiple DELL R630)
 - VirtualHDF5 dataset data organisation (presenting data as a simplified array to the user)
 - Calibration procedure (tested in prototype)
 - Data elaboration Framework (under development)



1st image acquired on P2M sensor (visible light, 660 nm, FSI)



P04 beamline (Petra III), end of 2018: First tender X-ray images (1-2keV, FSI sensor) Many thanks to P04 staff for the support: Frank Scholz, Kai Bagschik and Moritz Hoesch



First BSI wafer processed First soft X-ray image (BSI sensor) expected early-mid-2019

