

# ***GridPix chip production in Bonn and NIKHEF 2012 test beam plans***

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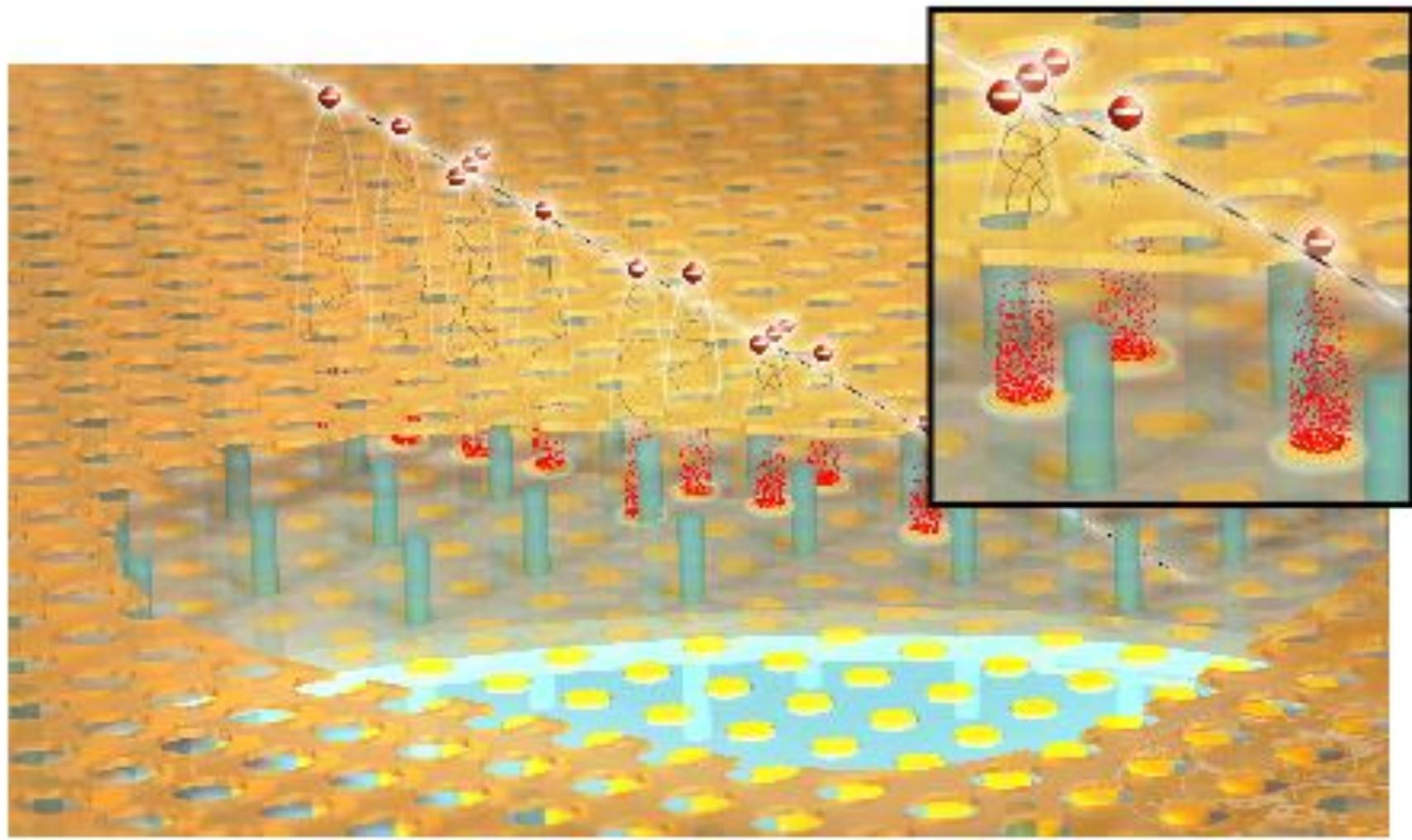


Fig.3: The GridPix detector: a passing fast charge leaves a track of ion-electron pairs in the gas volume above the readout chip. The liberated electrons drift towards the chip and cause an avalanche in the high-field region between the perforated electrode (green dashed line) and the microchip. The inset highlights the gas avalanche part of the detector.

## The MediPix2 pixel CMOS chip

256 x 256 pixels

pixel:  $55 \times 55 \mu\text{m}^2$

per pixel:

- preamp
- shaper
- 2 descr.
- Thresh. DAQ
- 14 bit counter

- enable counting
- stop counting
- readout image frame
- reset

We apply the 'naked' MediPix2 chip  
without X-ray convertor!

Applied chips:

Medipix-2

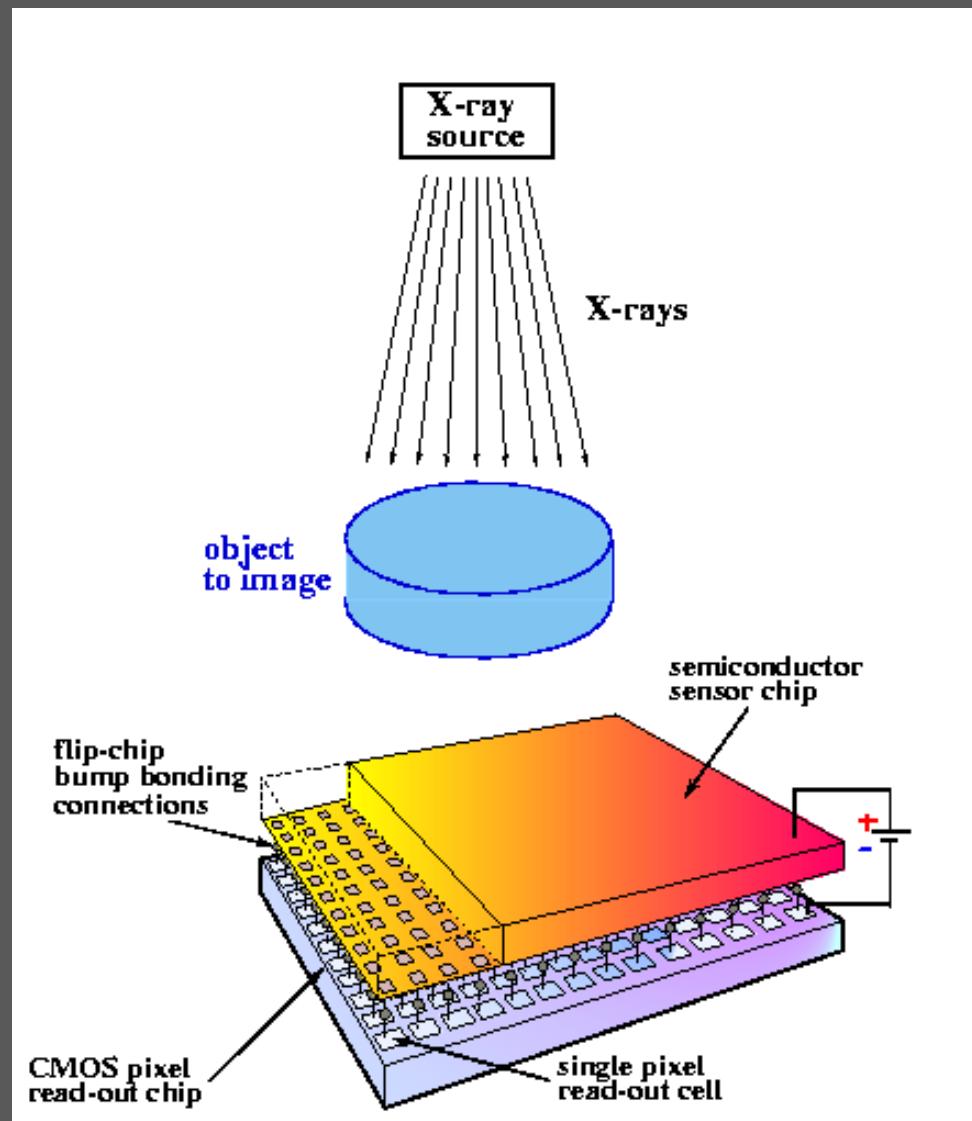
TimePix

PSI-46

FE-I4

TimePix-3: underway: submission

Dec 2011



## Summary of Performance of Gossip

- track position resolution: 15  $\mu\text{m}$ : simulation 15  $\mu\text{m}$ ;
- single electron efficiency: > 90 %
- track detection efficiency: 99.6 %; simulation 99.4 %

## Gas versus Si (or Gossip versus Si detectors)

### Pro:

- no radiation damage in sensor: gas is exchanged
- modest pixel (analog) input circuitry: low power, little space
- no bias current: simple input circuit
- low detector material budget: 0.06 % radiation length/layer
  - typical: Si foil. New mechanical concepts
- low power dissipation : little FE power ( $2 \mu\text{W}/\text{pixel}$ ); no bias dissipation
- operates at room temperature (but other temperatures are OK)
- less sensitive for neutron and X-ray background
- 3D track info *per layer* if drift time is measured
- gas is cheap (and *very* cheap wrt. Si sensors!), and light
- single (free drifting) electron sensitive

### Con:

- Gaseous chamber: discharges (sparks): destroy CMOS chip
- gas-filled proportional chamber: 'chamber ageing'
- limit in spatial resolution due to low primary gas-particle interaction statistics
- Needs gas flow
- Parallax error: 1 ns drift time measurement may be required
- diffusion of (drifting) electrons in gas limits spatial resolution

There is a broad interest in GridPix chips

Commercial production is under development  
at IZM-Fraunhofer, Berlin.

Goal:

to make robust InGrids on 8" wafers,  
for a low price, in large numbers

IZM-Berlin

MESA+/Univ of Twente

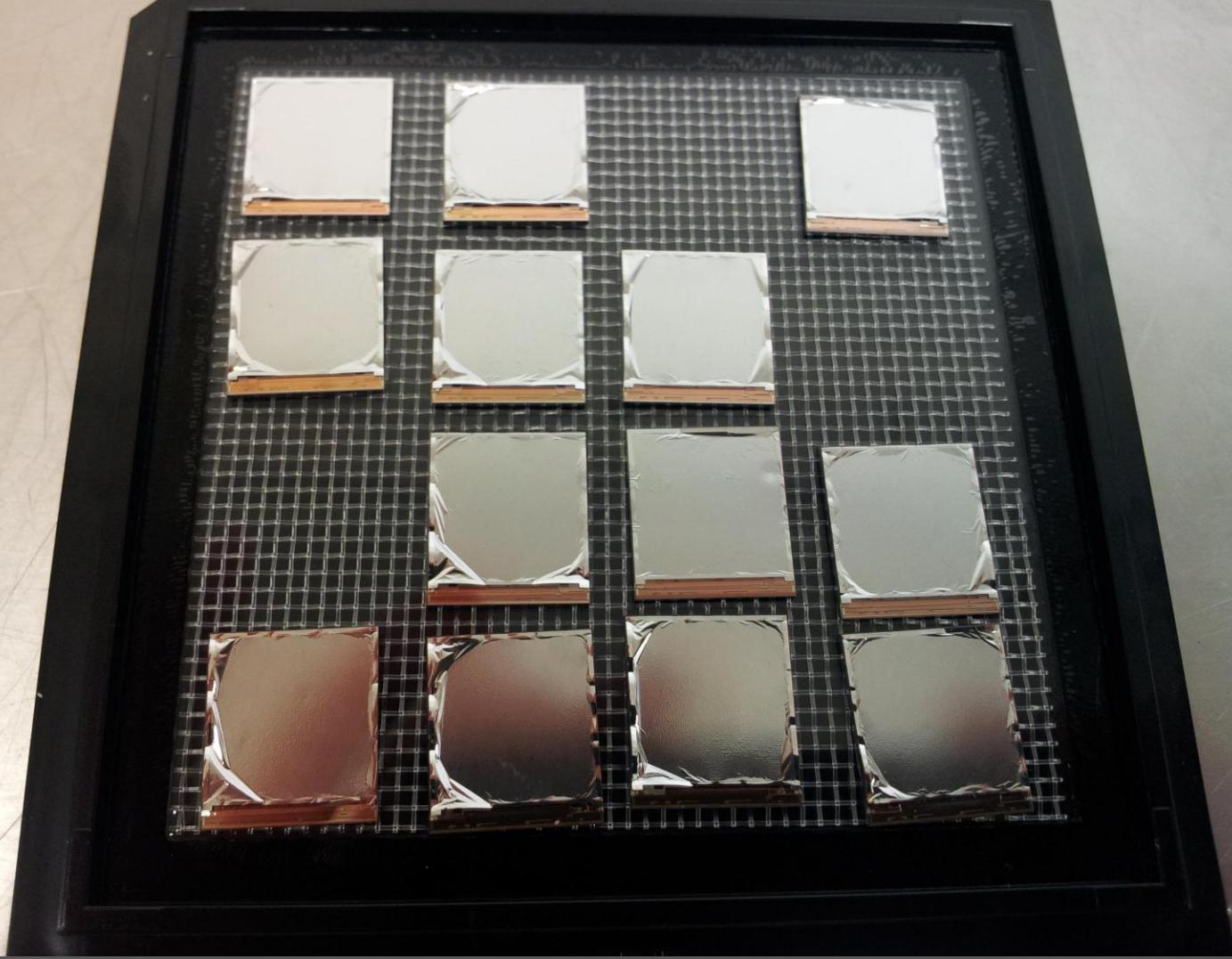
Nikhef

Univ. of Bonn

Saclay

August 2011:

First  
IZM GridPixs!



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- InGrid peel-off at edges (due to unfortunate last correction treatment....!)
- Good outlook to have low-cost mass production in October 2011

File Options View Service Frames

Recycle Bin

Measuremen  
& Automation

WinZip



55Fe



divergent



EDIT



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GossipSIRN  
test

integral



Pixelman\_wi



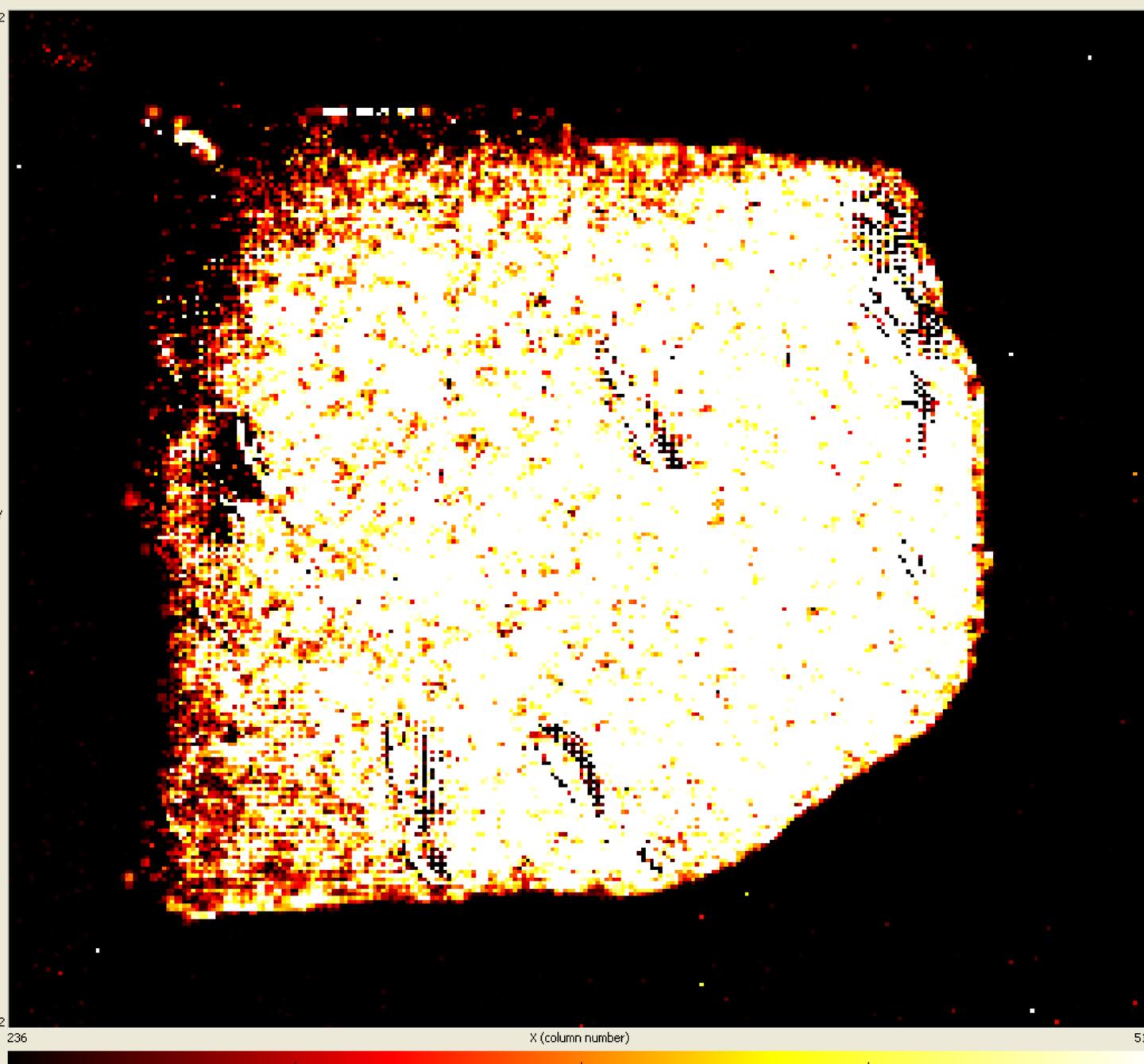
relaxd readout



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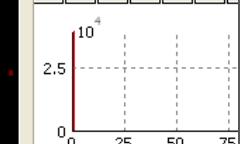


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Min level: 0

 Lock

Max level: 100

 Lock Auto range: Min - Max Count rate Time: 44.191 Histogram:

[X, Y]: [246, 272]

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Max: 4.295e+009

Total: 2.1481e+010

Mean: 2.8615e+005

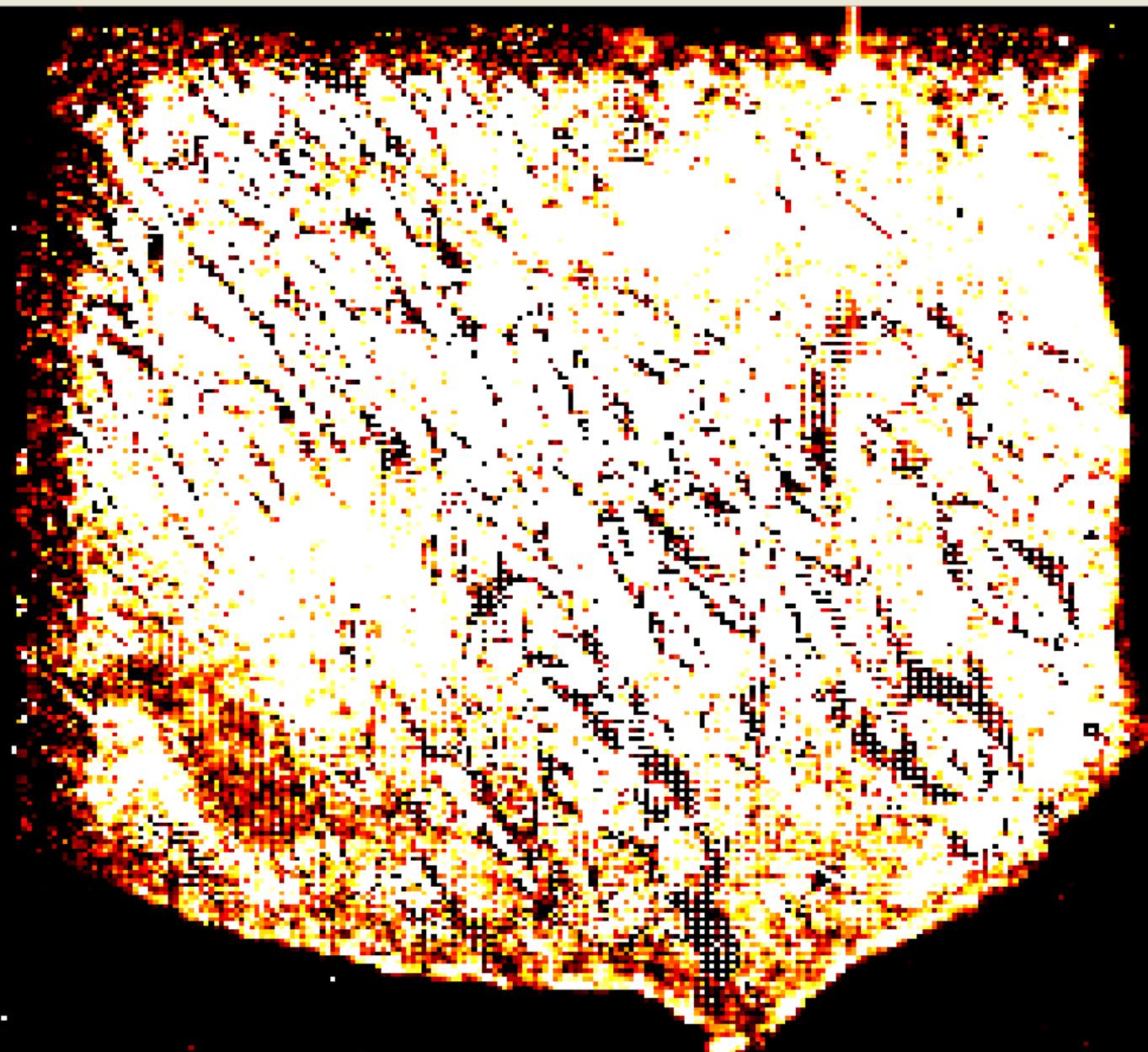
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Color map: Hot

Filter chain: None

 Auto update previous

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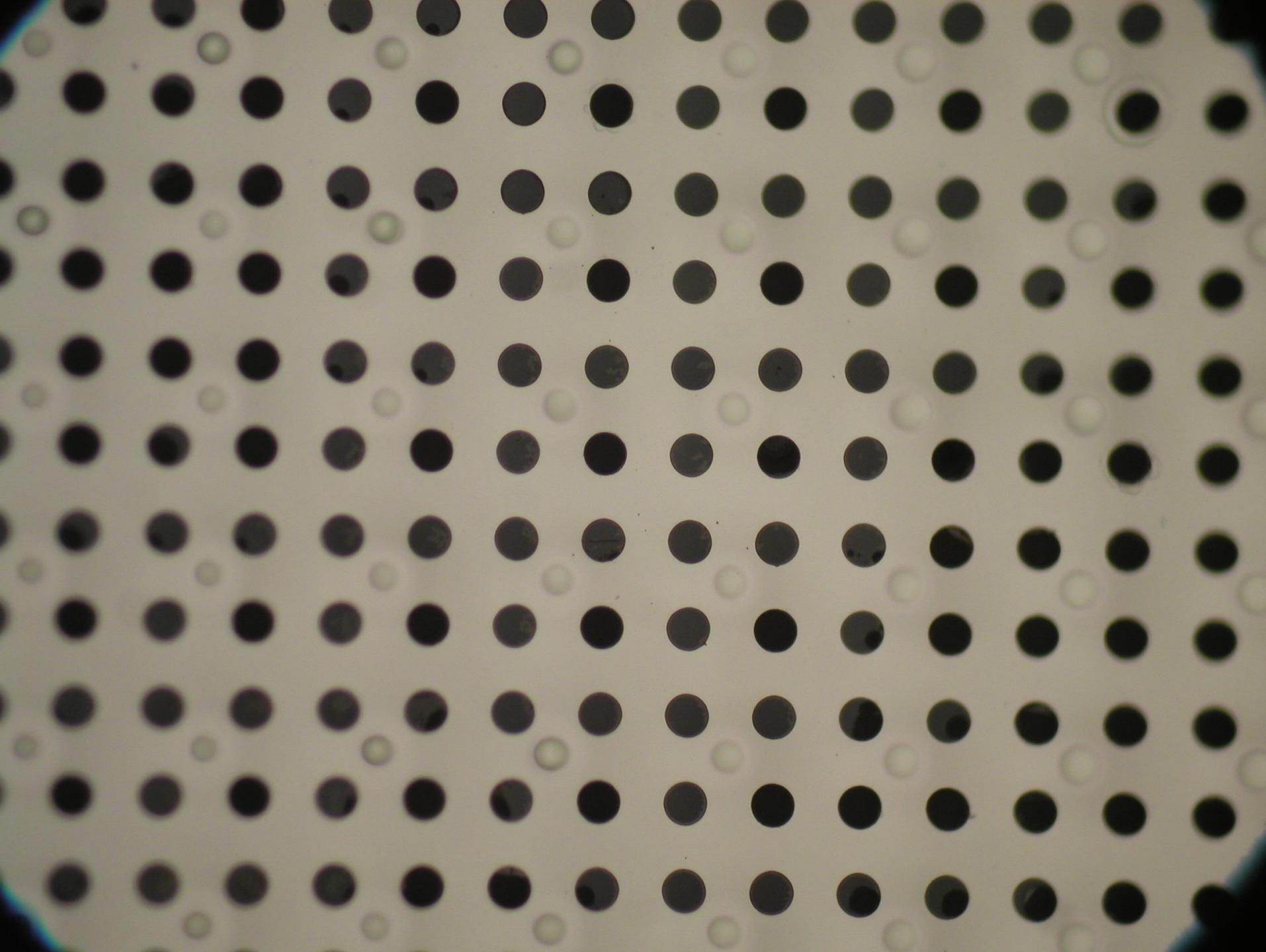
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Min level: 0 Under warning  
LockMax level: 100 Over warning  
LockAuto range: Min - Max  
Count rate Time: 58.489 s Histogram Auto refine

[X, Y]: [4, 383]  
Count: 0  
Min: 0  
Max: 4.295e+009  
Total: 3.0073e+010  
Mean: 4.9921e+005  
Std. dev.: 4.6296e+007

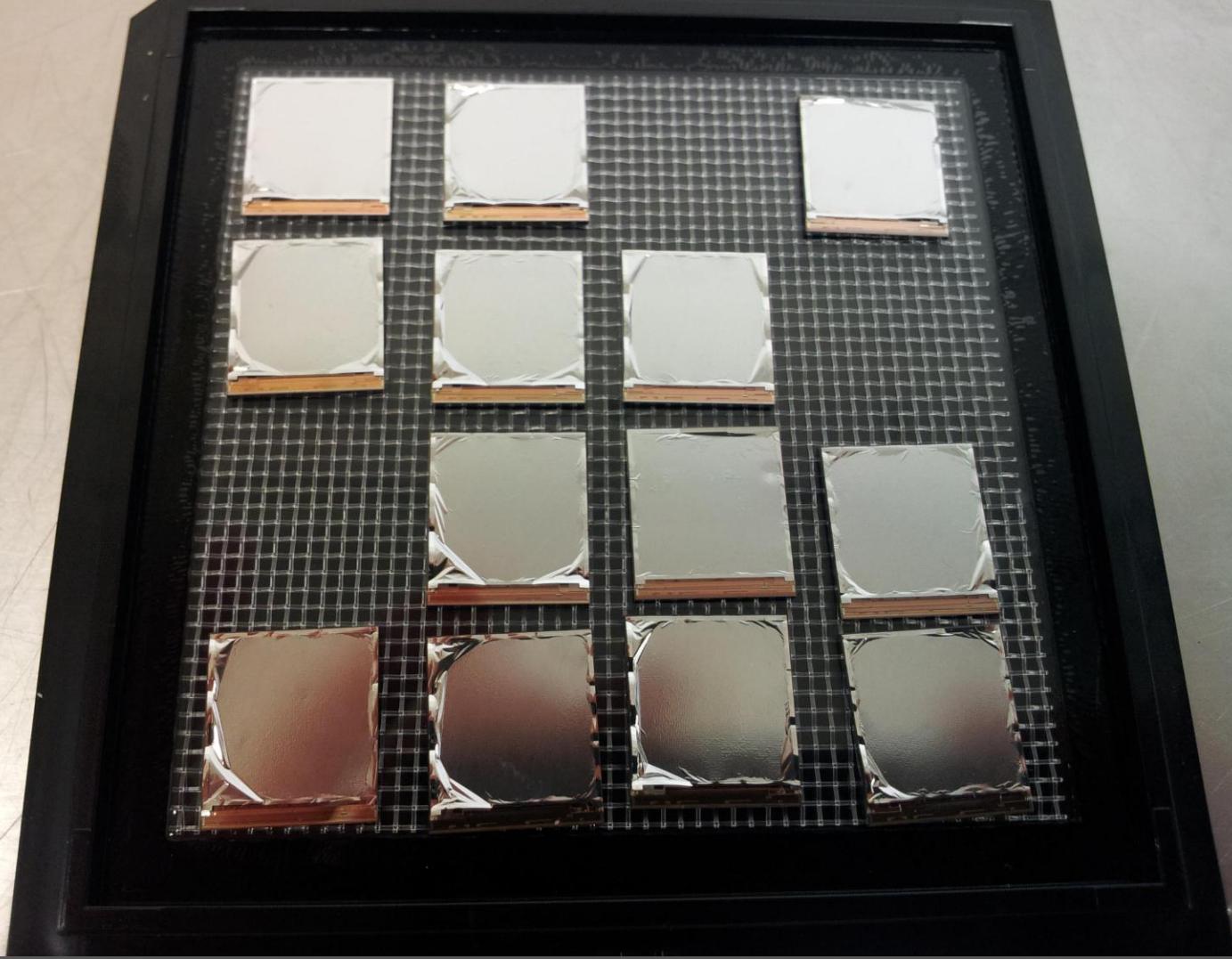
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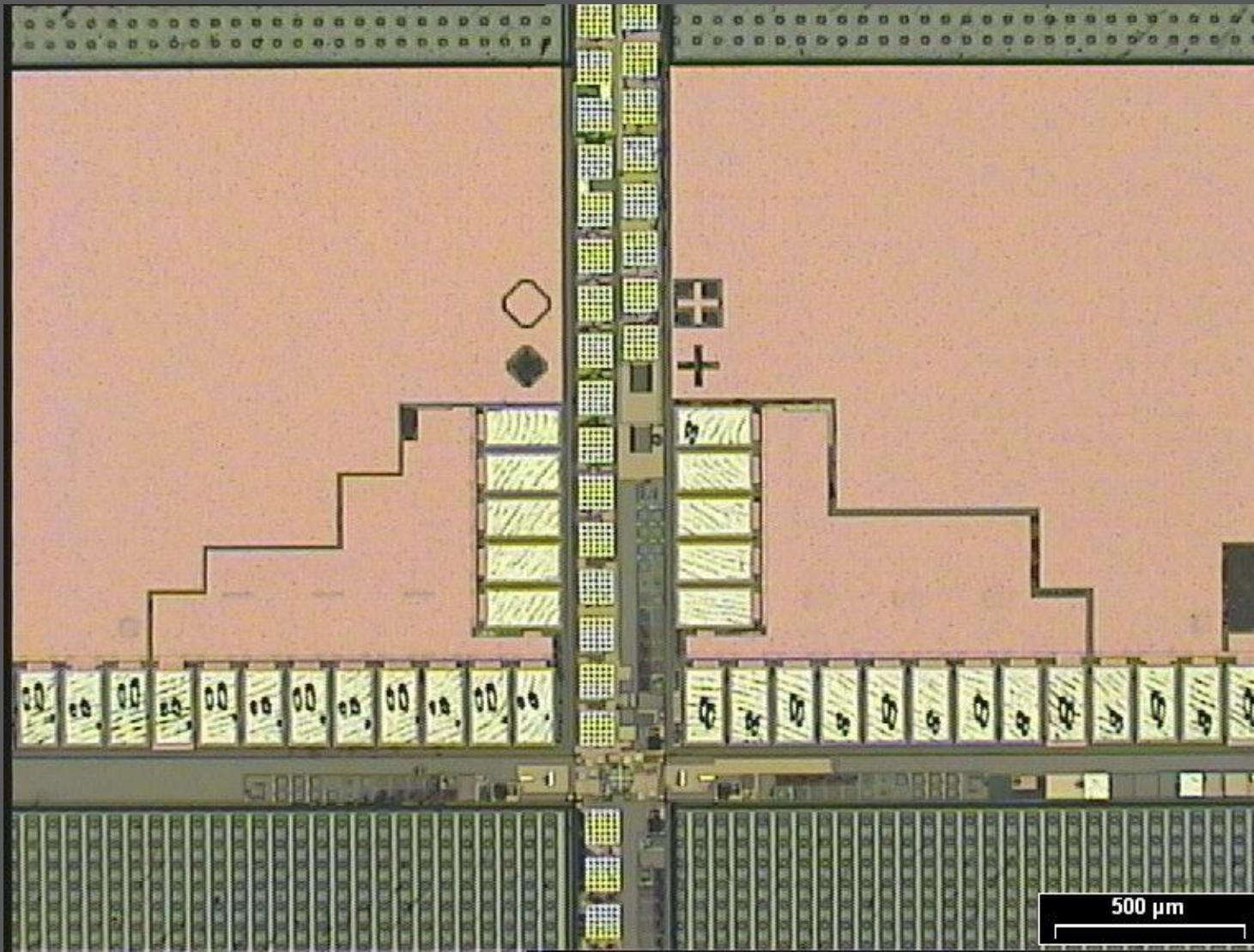
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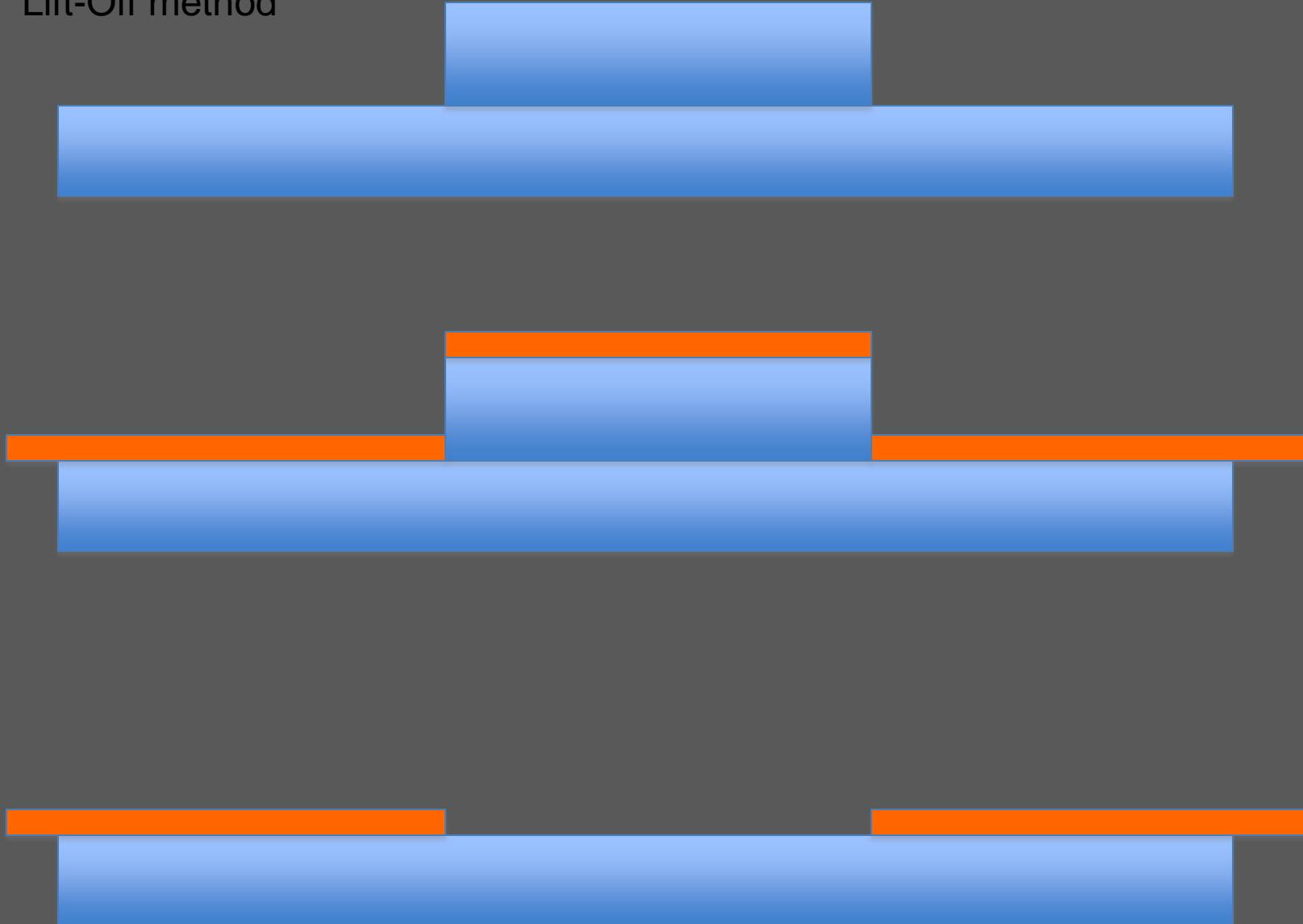


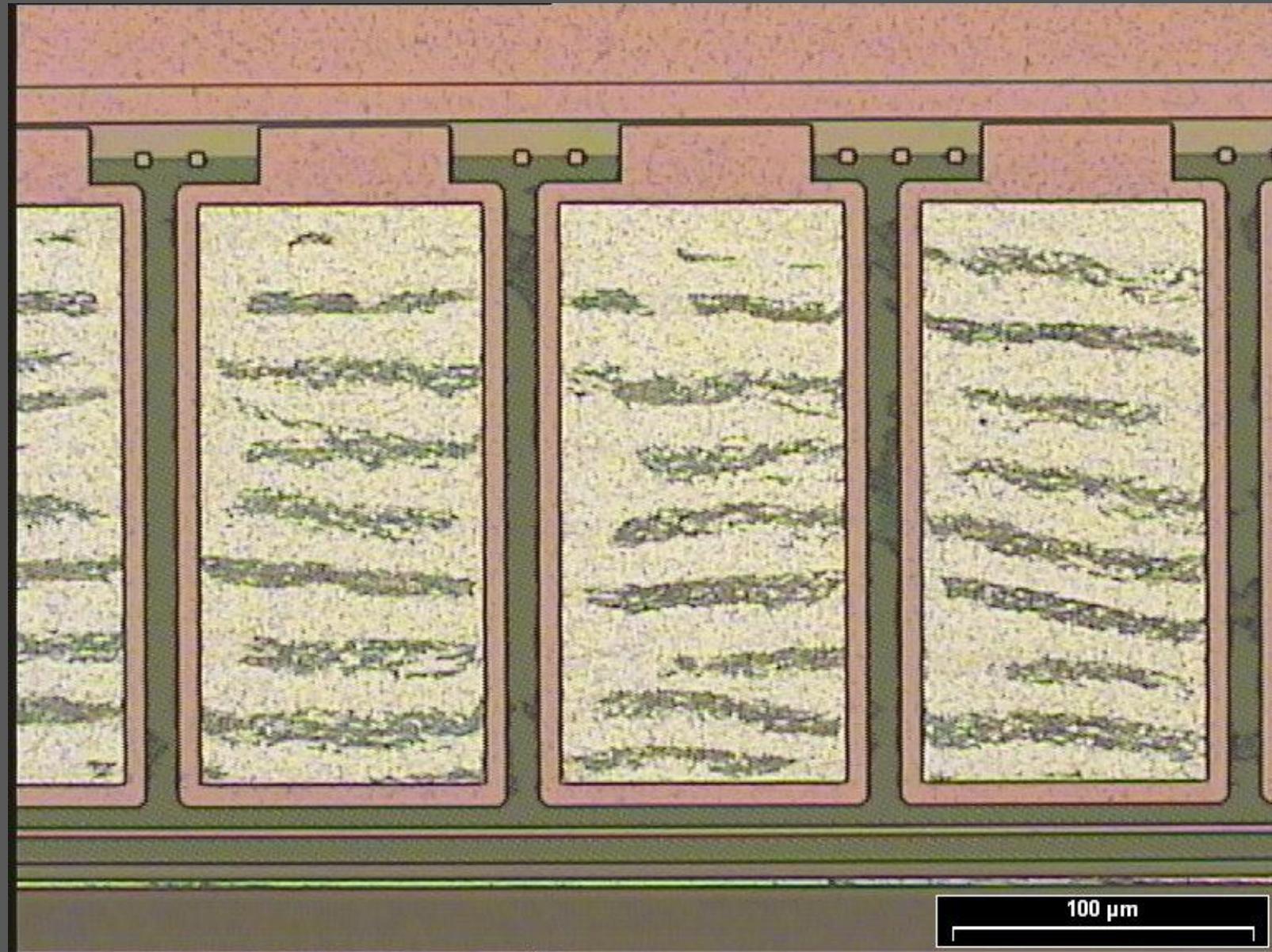
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Another try: Yevgen @ MESA+ with lift-off method



## Lift-Off method





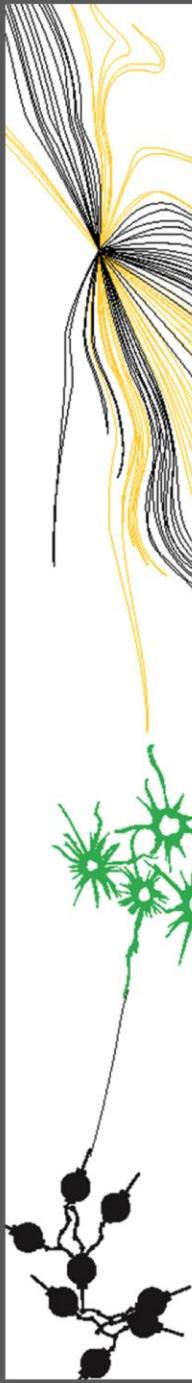
intentions to make available:

- GridPix chips
- chip carrier boards (ReNext)
- ReLaXd readout system (Ethernet out)
- DAQ & Control software

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- NewGas system: pre-mix bottles
- miniHV High Voltage (low current) supplies

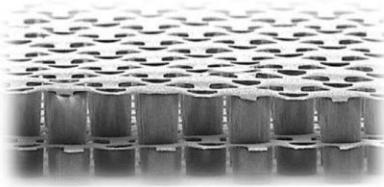
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# GridPix workshop

## December 14, 2011

## University of Twente



The University of Twente will host the 2nd international workshop on GridPix detectors, following the successful event in Bonn on 13 December 2010. Topic of the workshop is the miniaturized gaseous radiation imaging detector, ranging from fabrication and readout to functionality and application. The workshop is open to anyone working in this domain. It is free of charge, thanks to our sponsor, the MESA+ Institute for Nanotechnology.

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### Tentative program

09:30 Welcome coffee

10:00 Opening – Jurriaan Schmitz

10:10 Recent progress at Nikhef

10:50 Recent progress at Bonn

11:40 Recent progress at IZM

Lunch

14:00 Tour around the Nanolab

14:30 The Medipix family

15:10 GridPix application perspectives

15:40 tea break

16:00 Funding opportunities

16:45 Adjourn

### Venue

University of Twente  
Drienerlolaan 5  
7522 NB Enschede  
The Netherlands

### Meeting room

Demoruimte, Carré 1333  
(Entry: building nr. 13)

### Directions

<http://www.utwente.nl/contact/routeeng>

### Hotel suggestions

Eden Hotel De Broeierd  
[www.edenhoteldebroeierd.com](http://www.edenhoteldebroeierd.com)

Drienerburght

[www.drienerburgh.nl](http://www.drienerburgh.nl)

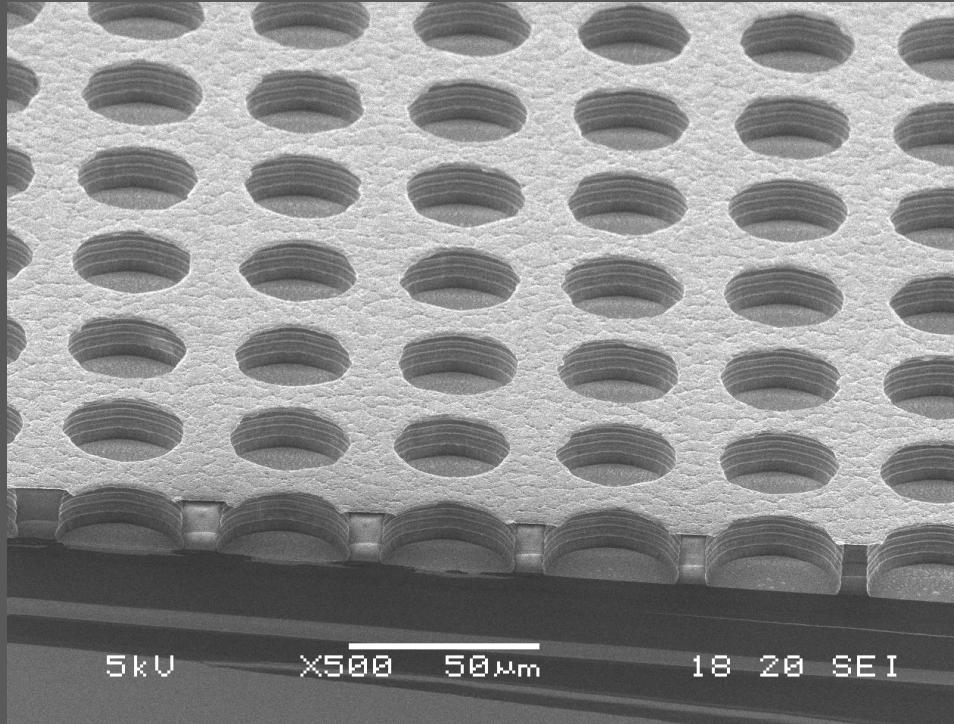
(both within walking distance of the venue)

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# New R&D: the all-ceramic GridPix:

- Si TimePix chip
- SiNitride protection layer
- $\text{SiO}_2$  pillars or spacers
- SiNitride InGrid: double protection (like RPC!)

→ common thermal expansion coefficient:  $6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-1}$



First GEMGrid with  $\text{SiO}_2$  as insulating spacer between grid and substrate  
Victor Blanco Carballo, MESA+/Nikhef

## Testbeam plans 2012

- GridPix TPC test for ATLAS LVL1 / TRT (Anatoli Romanouk, Nigel Hessey)  
In strong magnetic field:  $B \parallel E$ , and  $B$  perp to  $E$ . Gas properties (Xe mix),  
 $E \times B$  effects, diffusion, Lorentz Angle, systematics.
- Gossip ‘telescope’ test: basic performance of GridPix/Gossip: spatial resolution,  
track efficiency, straightness of tracks, single electron efficiency
- Quad, Octopuce tests. Possibly at DESY.
- Tests with (polarized) photons (Desy, ESRF)