

# Radiation Detectors Group RDG IMB-CNM, Barcelona

RDG, IMB-CNM (CSIC)  
Barcelona, Spain



# Introducing IMB-CNM, CSIC

- *Instituto de Microelectrónica de Barcelona, Centro Nacional de Microelectrónica  
National Microelectronics Center*
- Belongs to CSIC: Spanish National Research Council
- Located in Bellaterra, Barcelona
- Dedicated to Nano- & Micro-electronics
- Micro- y Nano- Fabrication Facility “Clean Room”



- Departments
  - Micro and Nano Systems
    - Silicon sensors and Actuators
    - Nanotecnology
  - Systems Integration
    - Power Devices and Systems
    - Circuit and System Design
    - Biomedical Applications

# IMB-CNM Research Facilities

- Clean room
  - 1.500 m<sup>2</sup>, class 100 to 10.000
  - Technologies for Micro y nano fabrication
  - Areas:
    - CMOS (high purity, no contaminants)
    - MNC (Noble Metals – contaminants for Si)
    - Nanotechnology
- Processes
  - 4" complete
  - 6" partial
- Technologies:
  - CMOS, Bi-CMOS, MCM-D, MEMS/NEMS, power devices, radiation detectors
- Silicon Micromachining
- Microelectronic Packaging Area
  - 200 m<sup>2</sup>, class 100
  - Wafer cutting, wire-bonding, bump-bonding



- Laboratories
  - Test and characterization
    - Automatic wafer probing
    - DC y RF (up to 8 GHz)
    - Thermography
  - Reverse engineering
  - Simulation
  - CAD
  - Mechanical workshop
  - Chemical sensors
  - Bio-sensors
  - Radiation sensors
  - Optical sensors

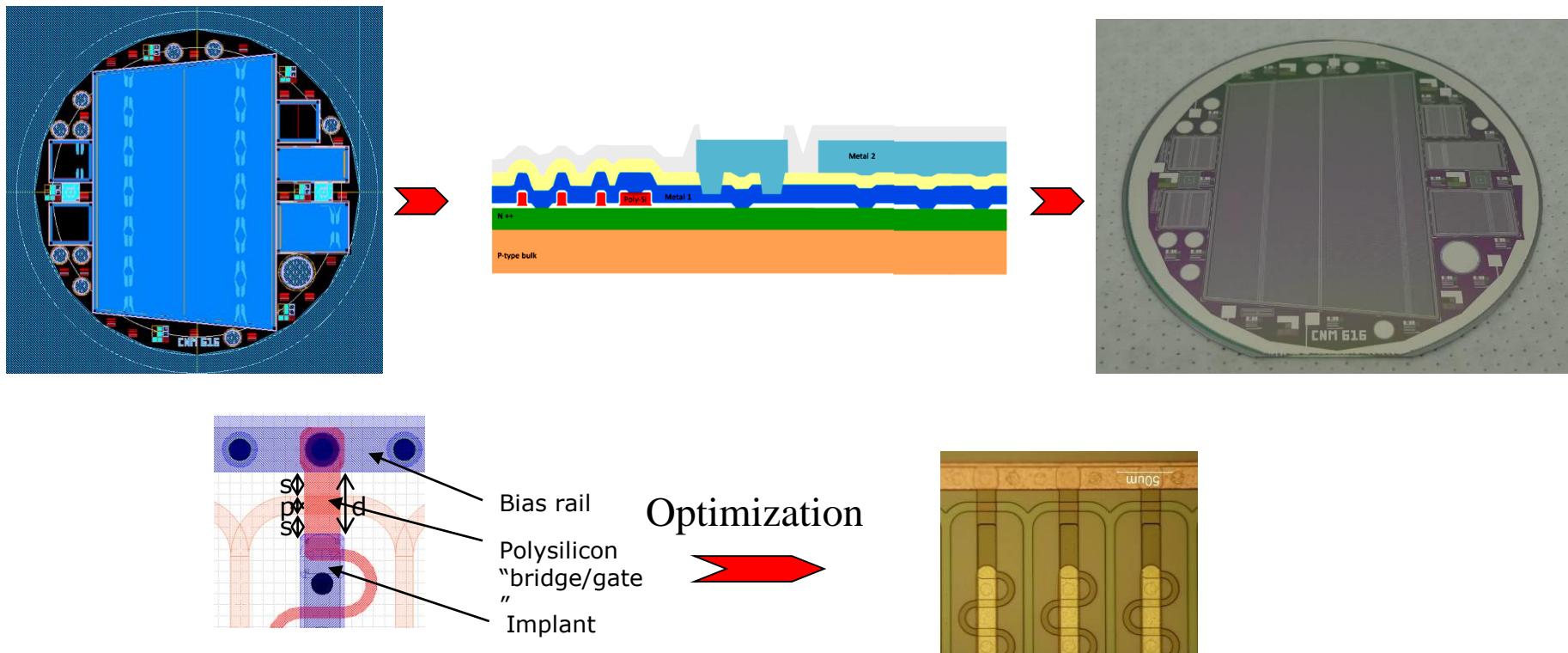
# Radiation Detectors Group (RDG)

- Personnel
  - 8 permanent researchers (PhD)
  - 4 experienced researchers (PhD)
  - 5 PhD students
  - 1 technician
- Starting activities in 1996
- Experiments
  - ATLAS, CMS, LHCb
  - Founder members of RD50
  - ASTROMED
- Collaborations
  - IFAE, IFIC, IFCA (Spain)
  - BNL, SCIPP-Santa Cruz (US)
  - INFN (It)
  - Glasgow, Liverpool (UK)
  - DESY, Freiburg, Karlsruhe (Ger)
  - Medical applications: Roberts Proton Therapy Center (Univ. Pennsylvania, US), Orsay (Fr), Univ. Wollongong (Aus)



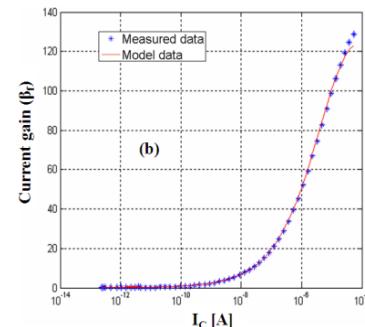
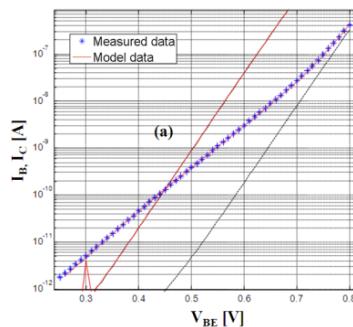
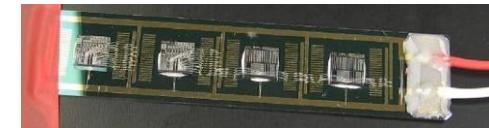
# Radiation Detectors R&D at CNM

- Design, fabrication and optimization
  - Design and fabrication of full ATLAS-like sensors
  - Fabrication of sensors for the ATLAS Upgrade End Cap prototypes
  - Fabrication of sensors for the RD50 Collaboration

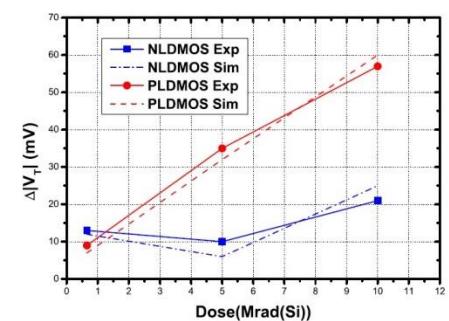
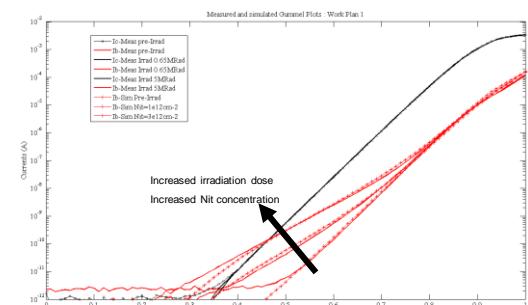


# Radiation Effects Studies

- Characterization of microelectronic devices degradation with radiation
- Simulation of radiation effects in microelectronic devices
  - TID, displacement, SEE
- Modeling radiation degradation

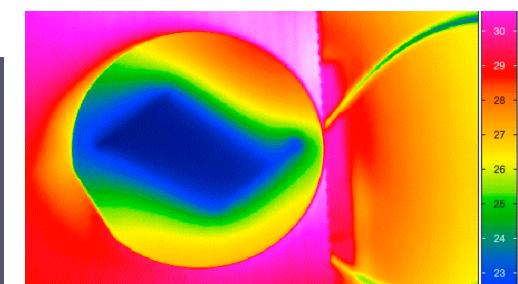
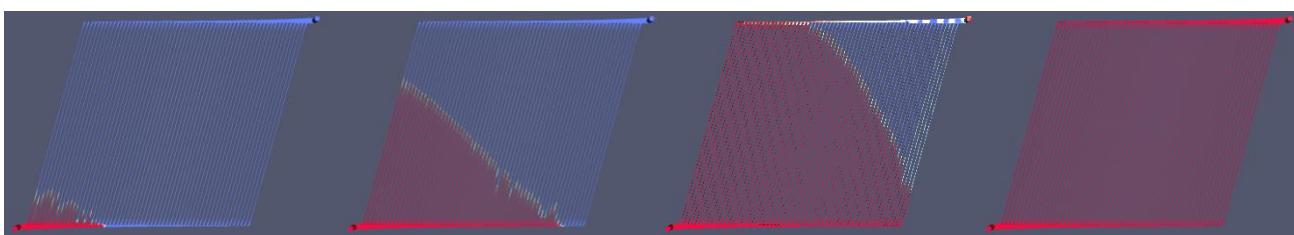
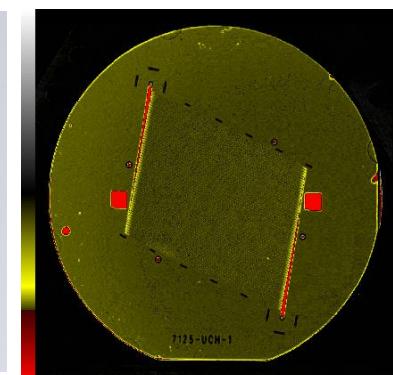
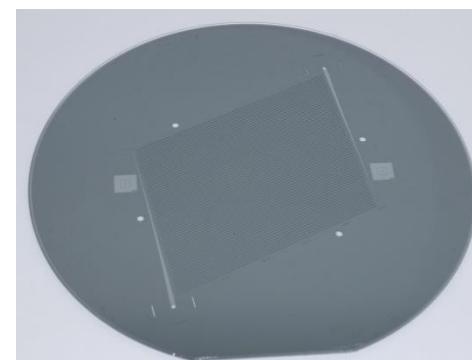
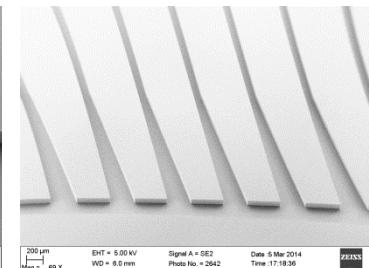
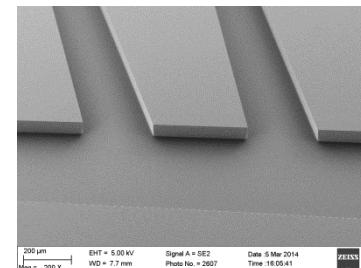


- Radiation hardening
- Development of rad-hard technologies



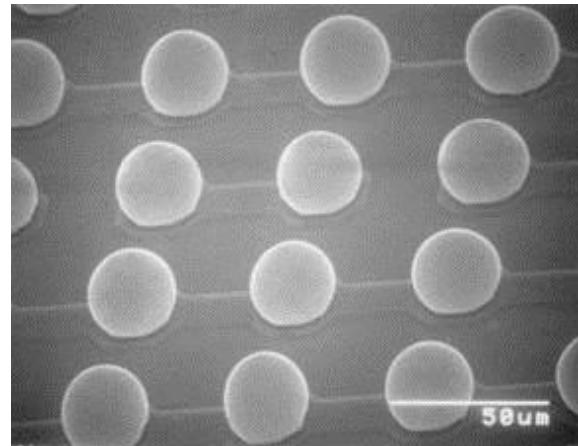
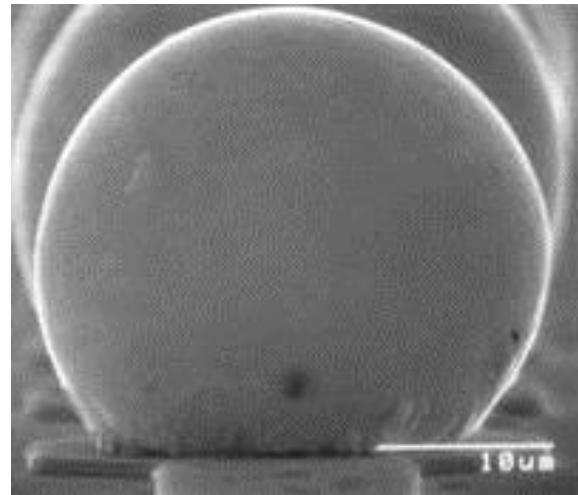
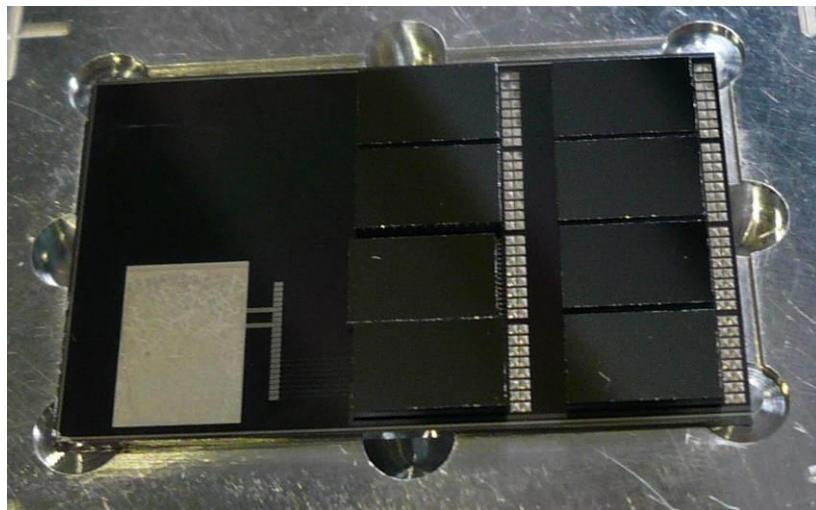
# Micro-Channel Cooling (with DESY)

- Objective:
  - ✓ Reduce the mass of the cooling systems
  - ✓ Cool only the detectors increases efficiency
- Technology being developed:
  - ✓ Micro-channel generation
    - Deep Reactive Ion Etching (DRIE)
  - ✓ Wafer bonding
    - Anodic bonding (Si-SiO<sub>2</sub>)
    - Fusion bonding (Si-Si)
    - Eutectic bonding (Metal-Metal)
- Fluidics
- Cooling Power



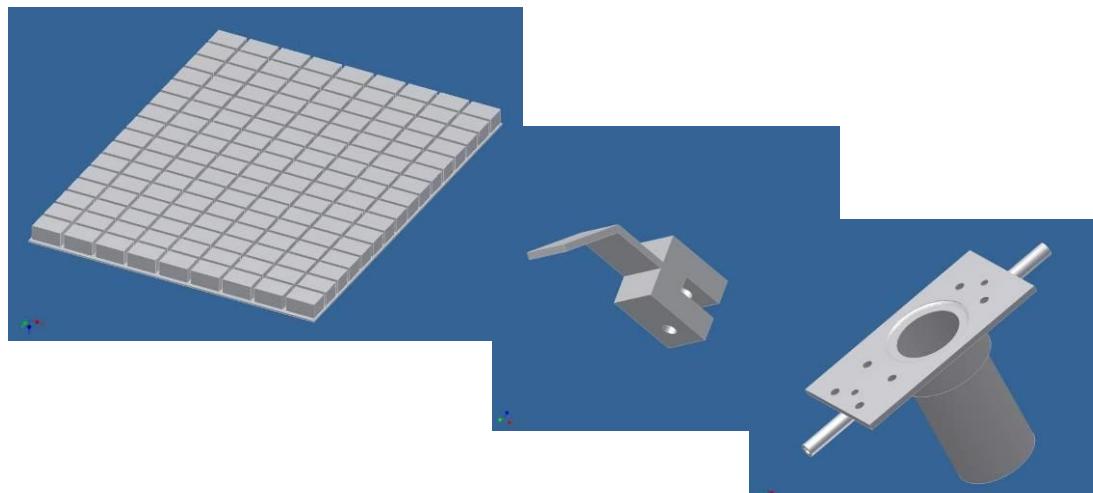
# Flipchip Packaging

- Sn/Ag and Sn/Pb bump electroplating
- TiW/Cu electroplated UBM
- Ni/Au electroless UBM
- SET FC150 Pick&Place
- 1 micron placing accuracy
- Reflow in formic acid



# 3D Rapid Manufacturing

- Polyamide Laser-sintering system
- EOS FORMIGA P 100
- From CAD to piece in few hours
  - Effective building volume:  
20 cm x 25 cm x 33 cm
  - Resolution ~0.1 mm (vertical)



## New technological line: Printed Electronics



- Inkjet type printer
- Many different inks available
  - conductor
  - Insulator
  - Semiconductor
  - sensing elements
  - LEDs
- Many groups working in the development of new types of inks
  - Mostly based on nanoparticles

**Ceradrop Ceraprinter X-Series**  
**Accuracy 1.5µm**  
**Print resolution 5µm**  
**Print surface 30cm×30cm**

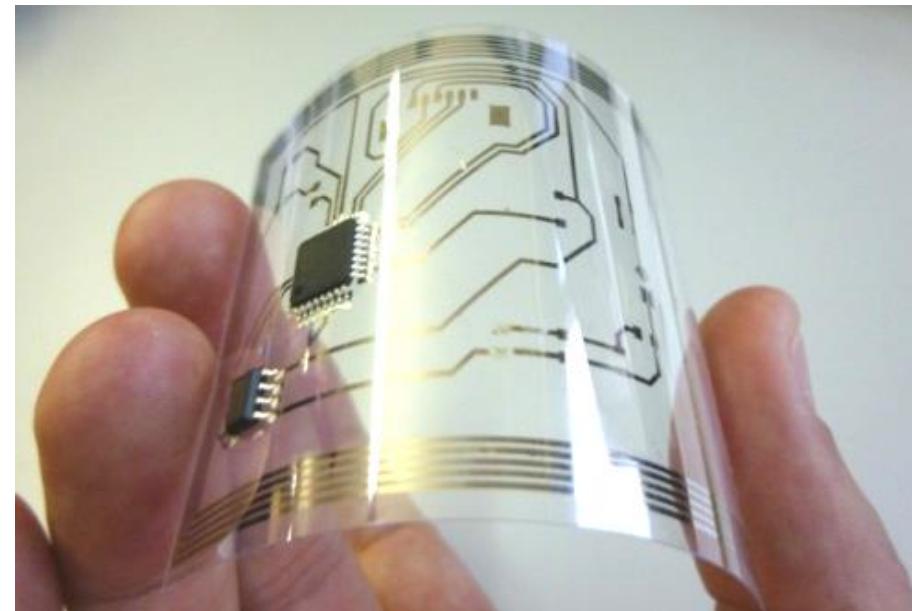
# Electronics design

## Potential applications

- HF Antenna
- RFID
- OPV
- OLED
- Interconnection
- Printed memories
- Photodetectors
- Lens
- Semiconductor
- Biology
- Ceramic thick films
- LTCC
- Multilayer Ceramic Capacitor
- Magnetic components
- Temperature sensors
- Piezoelectric actuators
- Sol gel selective deposition
- Photocatalytic elements
- Fuel cells
- Solar cells front contacts

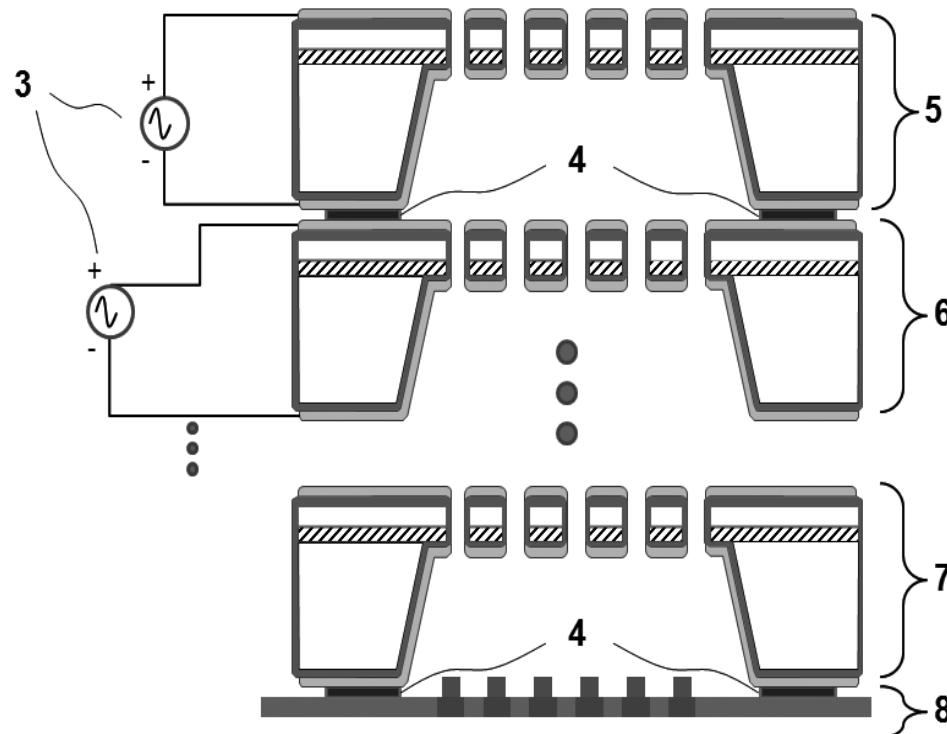
## Example made at CNM:

- Silver nanoparticles conductive ink
- SU8 insulator

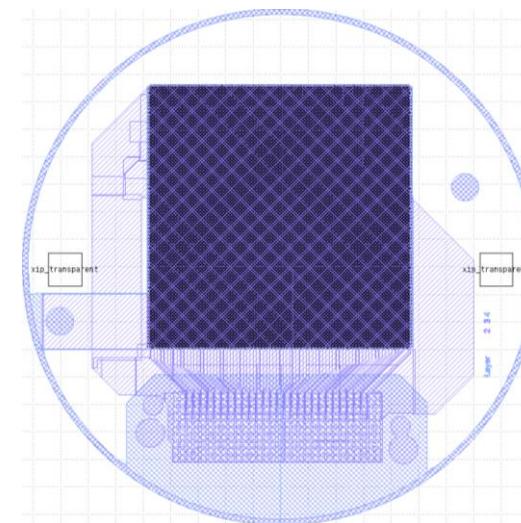


# Si-GEMS Nanomigas Project Objectives

- There are two main approaches to Gaseous Detectors: The **GEM** (Gas Electron Multiplier), which is a thin metal coated insulator foil, perforated by a high density of holes and the **MicroMegas**, a similar layout, but in a multiple stage configuration.
- CNM** is developing a **gaseous detector** using **Silicon** instead of the foil. This is a development following **CNM's patent** on a **pilable detector** made out of several individual Si-GEMs.

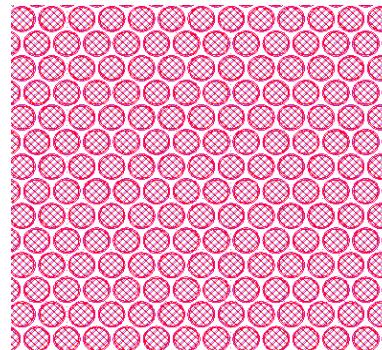
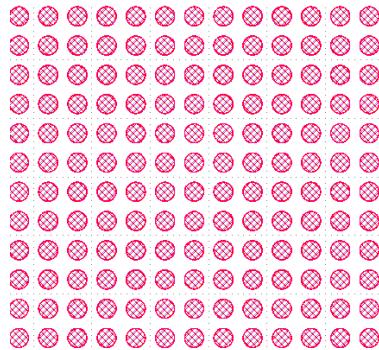


Side objective: SU-8 GEM together with UniZar (not included in original application)



# Experiments

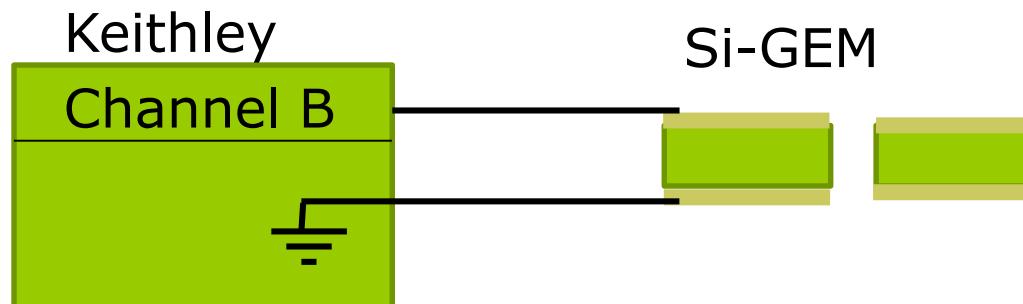
- Trials with micromachined silicon wafer



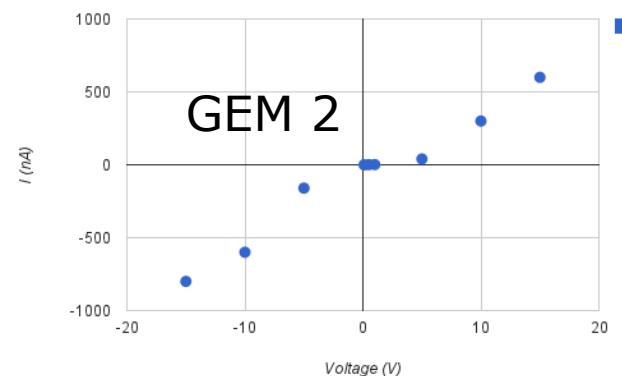
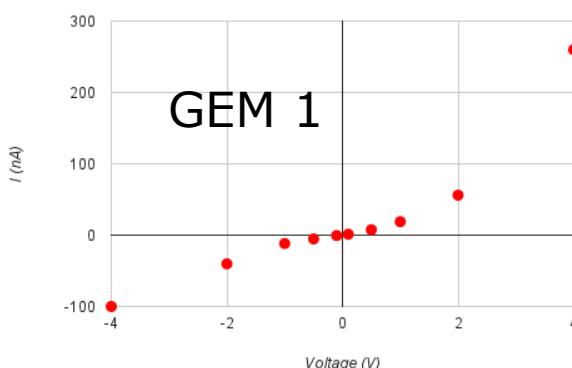
- 2 designs: squared and rhombohedral-shape distributed
- Hole diametre  $80\mu\text{m}$ .
- Pitch 110 (double medipix pitch)

# Resistance Measurement

- first the GEMs were tested with a Multimeter and for some  $R > 2 \text{ GOhm}$  were found
- afterwards measurements with Keithley

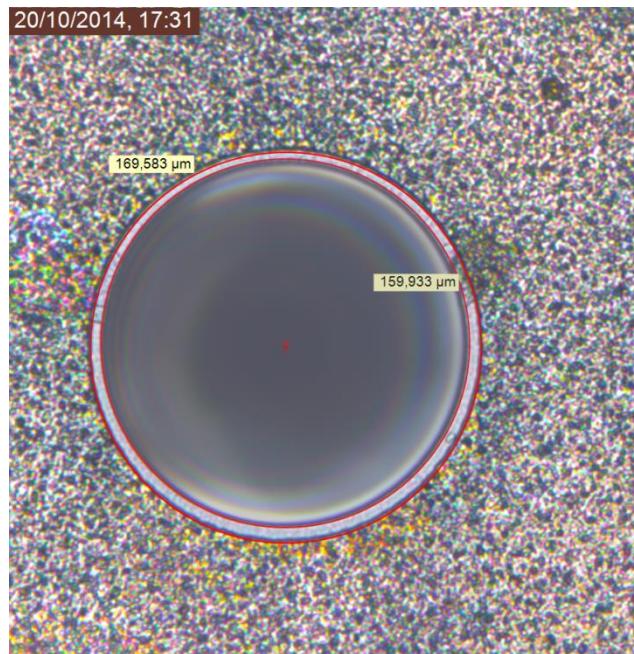


- Results: Several hundred nA at low voltages, not symmetric in respect of polarity



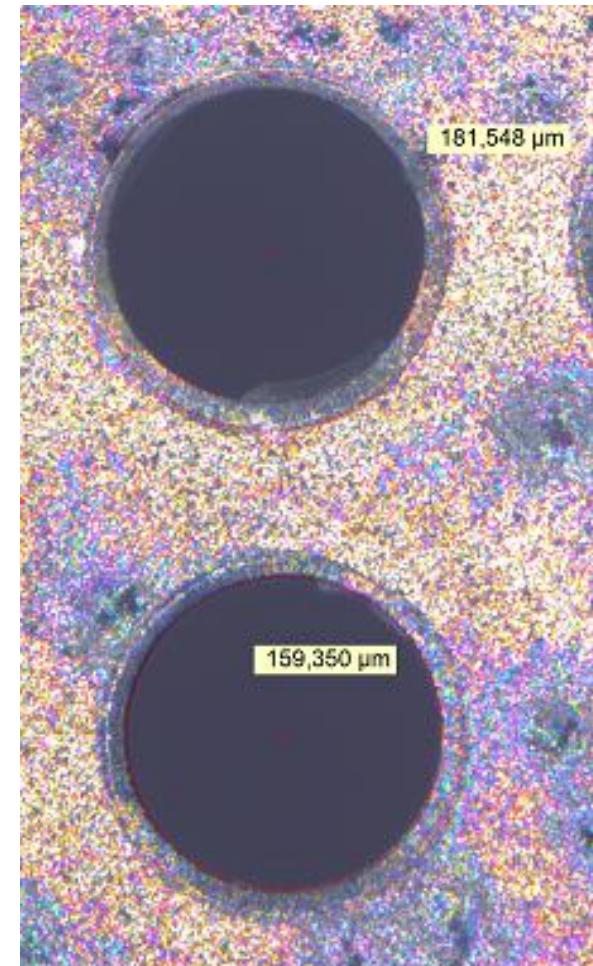
# CNM758: Visual Inspection

One side looks good:  
Rim is visible and of right  
size



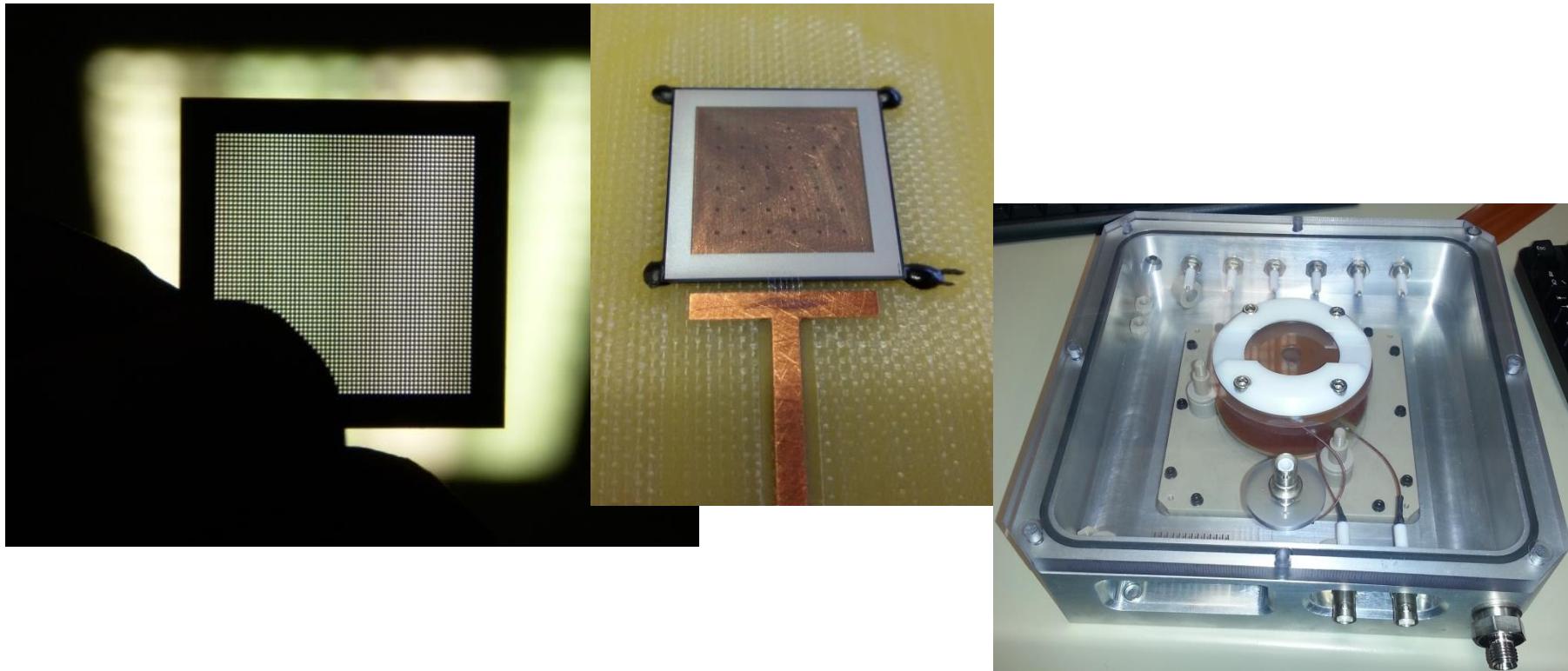
The other side not ...

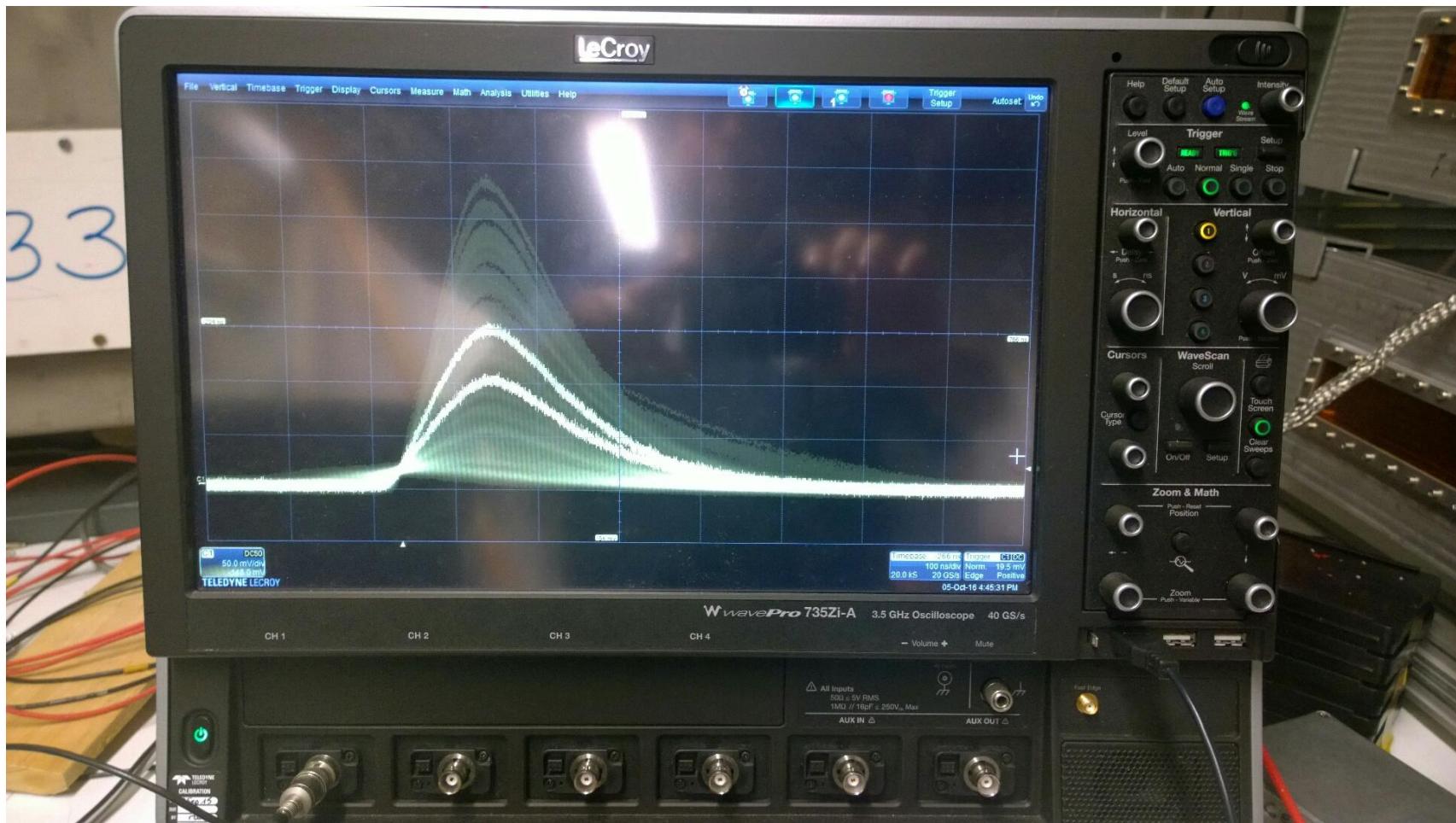
- No rim
- Al hole diameter smaller than Si hole diameter
- $\text{SiO}_2$  hanging in the hole (EXRS study at CNM)



## Results

- First Si-GEMs showed a too high leakage current
- Improvement with  $2\mu\text{m}$ -thick  $\text{SiO}_2$
- A final Si-GEM was build and is being tested



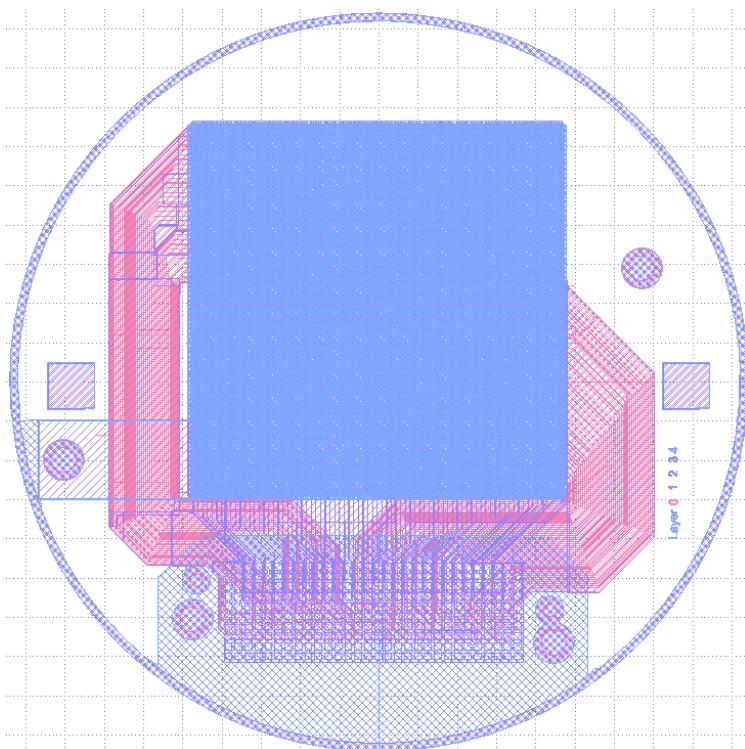


55Fe source. Stable after 2 hours operation. No sparks

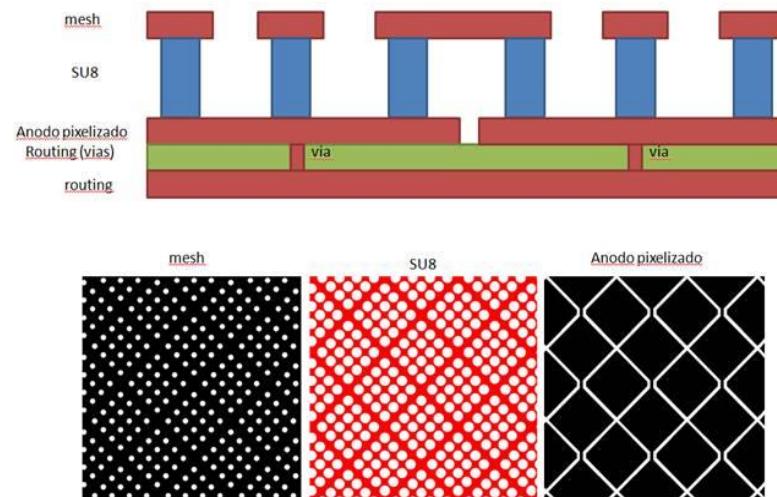
## Conclusions on Si-GEMs

- First Si-GEMs showed strange V-I curves (e.g. not symmetric to 0V)
- Obvious problem with hole etching -> problem identified and currently being fixed. Thicker oxide + ONO
- Si-GEM with thicker  $\text{SiO}_2$  layer showed better results.
- Promissing results, but further development needed.

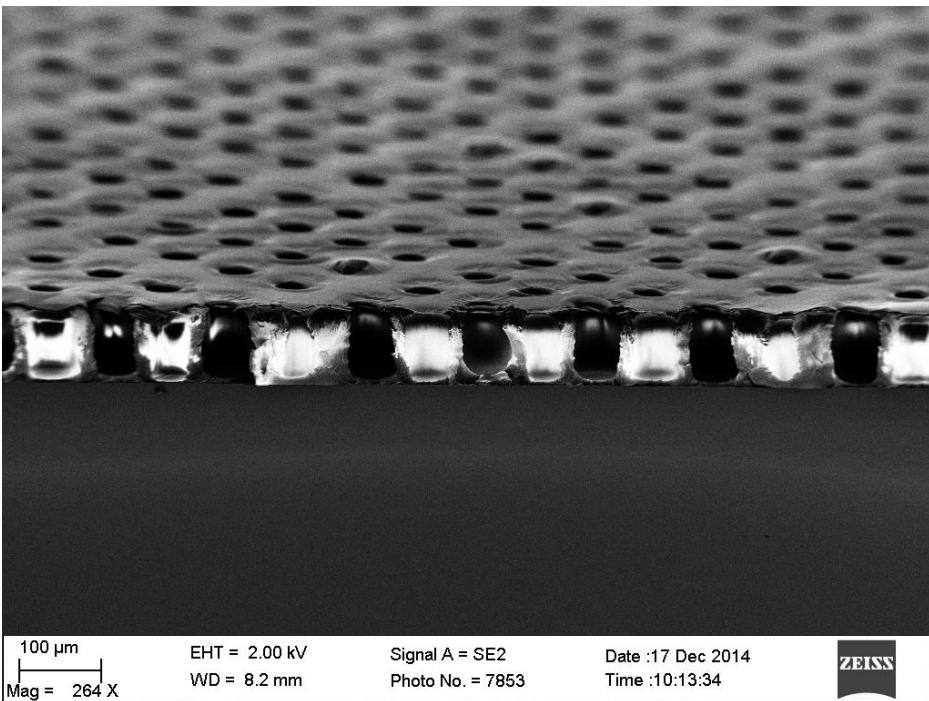
# ATOMGEM: Preliminary tests



- Two mask sets CNM759 & CNM811
- SU-8 polimer 50µm-thick
- Technical problems encountered
- Solution will be found within ATOMGEM



# SU8: Results



ATOMEGAS: Spanish project to develop this technology starting next January

