# MEASUREMENTS OF BACKGROUND SCATTER RADIATION IN CT SCAN ROOM USING ENERGY RESOLVING HYBRID PIXEL DETECTORS

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#### **MOTIVATION**

#### **Hybrid Pixel Detectors feature**

- Low energy threshold (2-4keV)
- Spectroscopic resolution
- Excellent time resolution (~ns ms)
- High dynamic range
  - Small pixels
  - No dark current integration
- More complex calibration and data processing
- High price (depending on application)





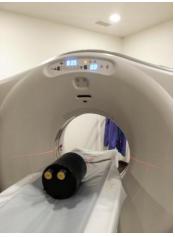




### **MEASUREMENT SETUP**

- Dosepix and Timepix detectors with a 300um Si sensor
- Measurements performed at CHUV in Lausanne
- Ge Medical Systems Discovery CT750 HD CT-scanner
  - at 80kVp and 120kVp
- Measured scattered radiation during scan of a abdomen phantom









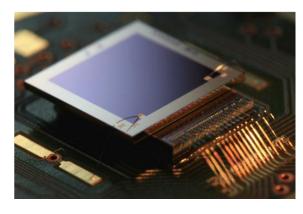


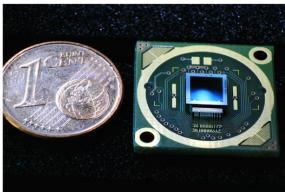




### **DETECTORS TESTED**

- Developed within the framework of the Medipix2 collaboration
- Single Photon Processing
- Hybrid Pixel Detectors
- Energy measured using Time over Threshold







Dosepix Timepix









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Туре	Hybrid Pixel Pixel	Hybid Pixel Detector
Technology	0.25 μm CMOS	130 nm CMOS
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Pixel size	55 x 55 μm	220 x 220 μm
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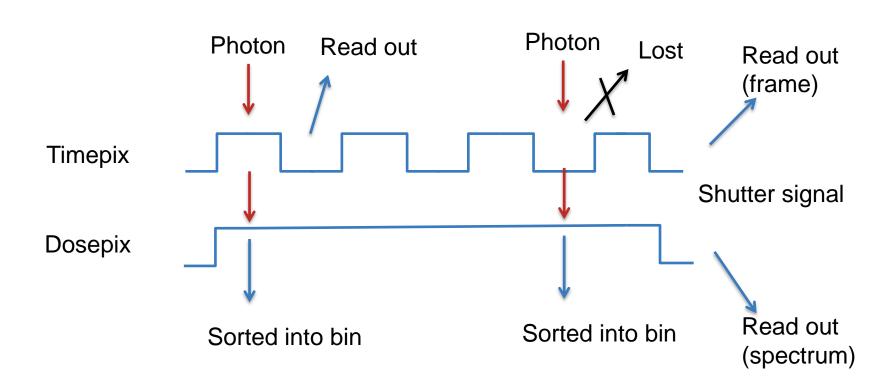








### **DOSEPIX ENERGY BINNING MODE**



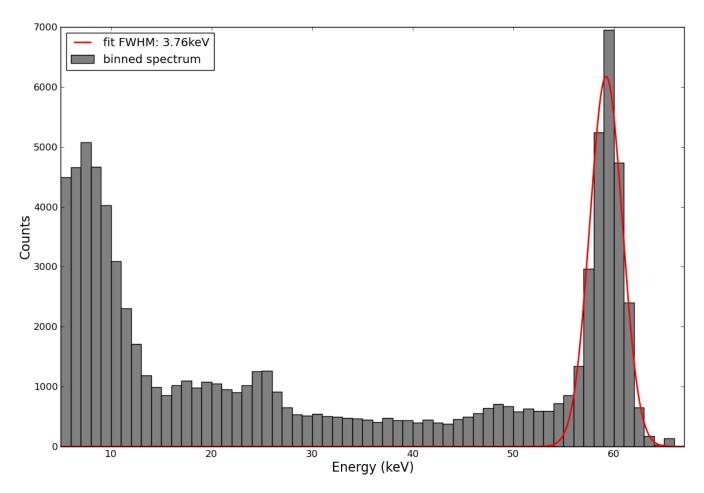








# **DOSEPIX ENERGY BINNED SPECTRA**



The 16 bins per pixel can be shifted to give a maximum of 256 bins per chip

<sup>241</sup>Am spectrum measured with Dosepix 60 bins 5-65keV

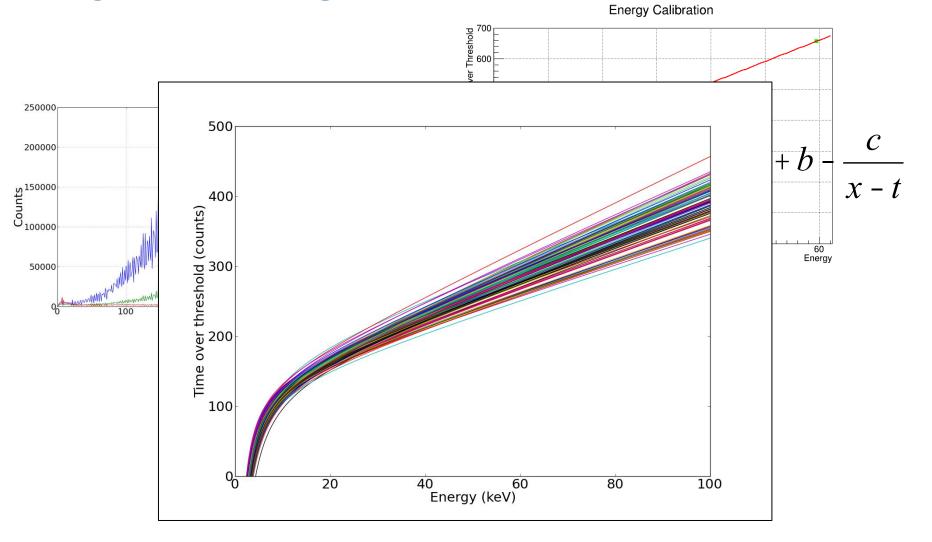








# **CALIBRATION**



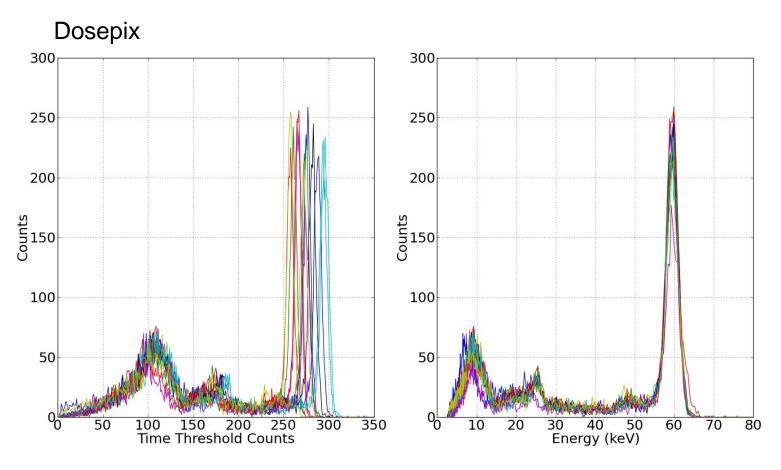








### **CALIBRATION VERIFICATION**



Before calibration

After calibration









### **MEASUREMENTS**

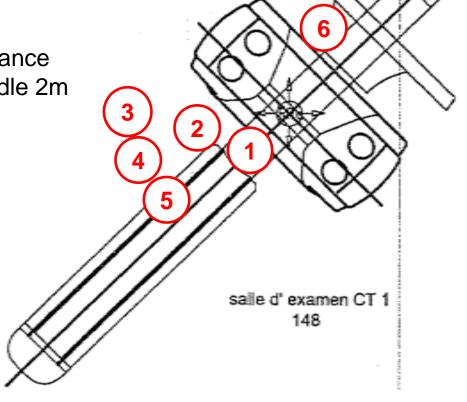
1. On CT scan cradle 25cm from phantom

2. 45° 1m distance

3. 45° 2m distance

4. Next to the the cradle, 2m distance

5. On non moving part of the cradle 2m distance



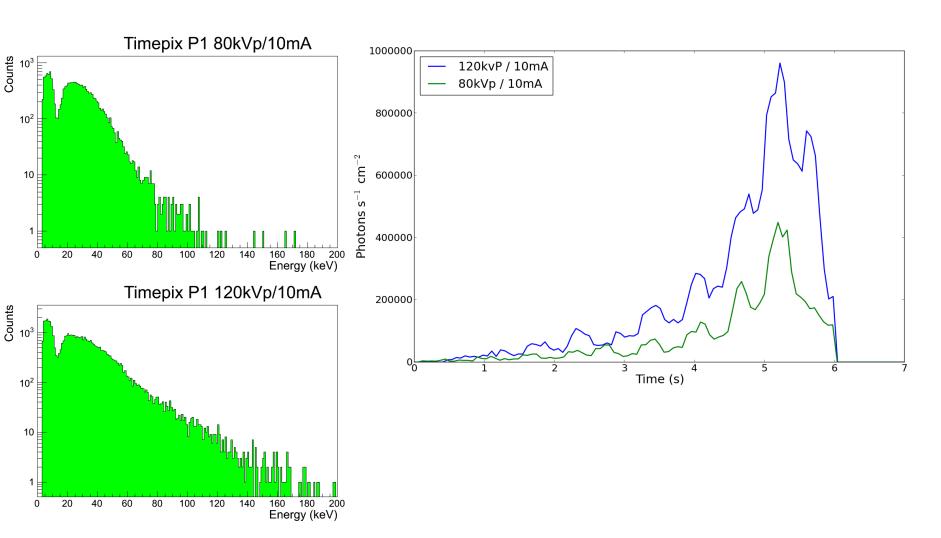








# **TIMEPIX POS1 ON CRADLE -25CM**



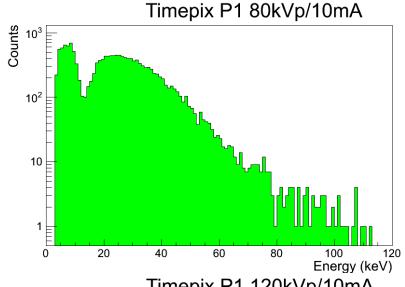


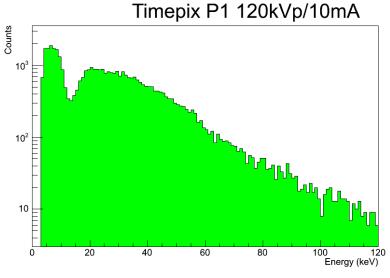


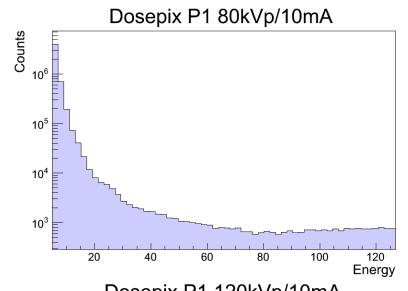


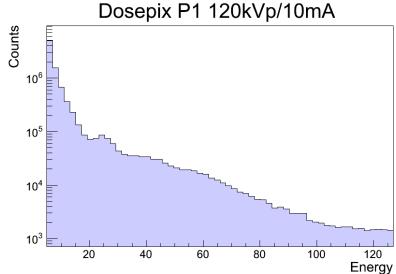


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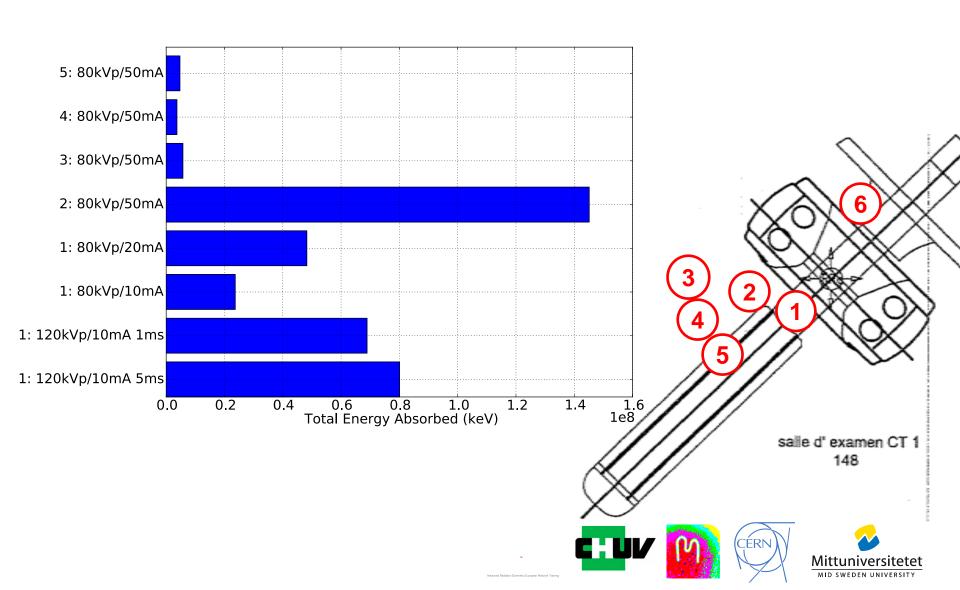




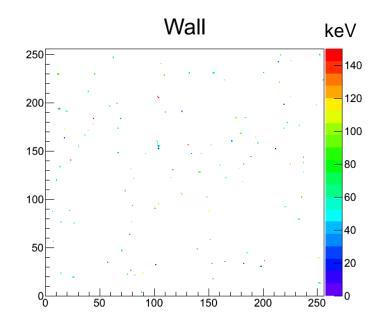




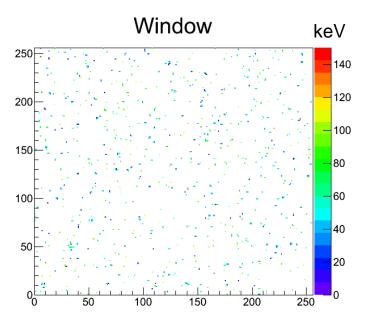
# INTEGRATED ENERGY, TIMEPIX



## LOW FLUX MEASUREMENTS



1.85 photons s<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>



11.2 photons s<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>









#### CONCLUSIONS

- We have tested Timepix and Dosepix for measurements of scattered radiation in a CT scan room
- First results are promising and we have proven the feasibility of using these detectors for dose, dose rate and spectroscopic measurements
- Further work including signal to dose calibration, investigation of pileup effects, testing other sensor materials is planned

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