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High flux Compact Compton X-ray Sources

ThomX, a demonstrator

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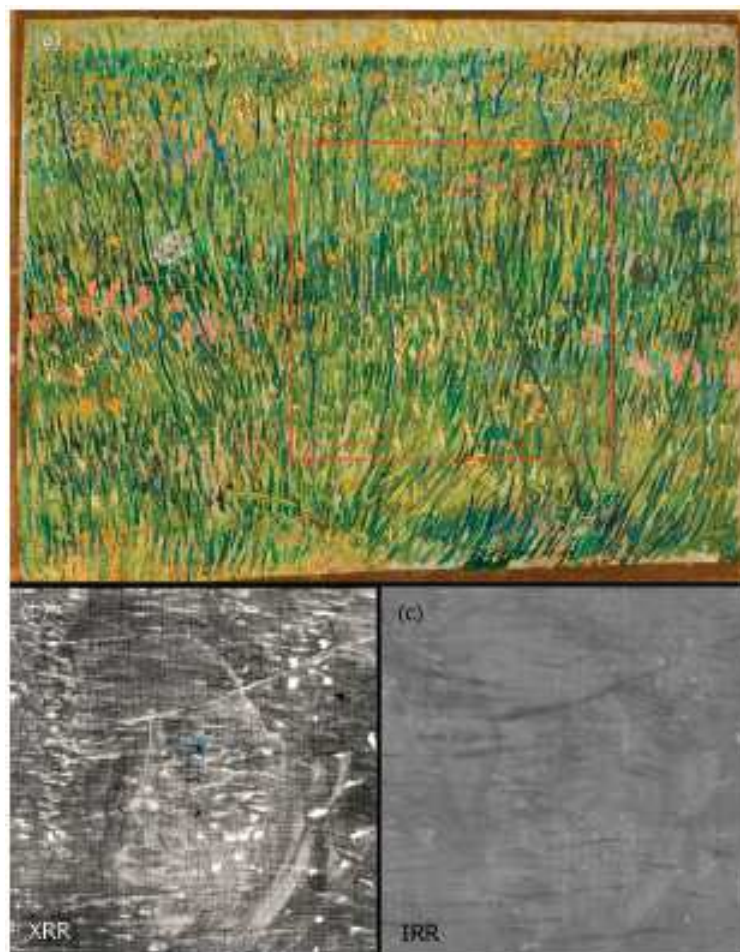
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(Anal. Chem. 80, 2008, 6436-6442)



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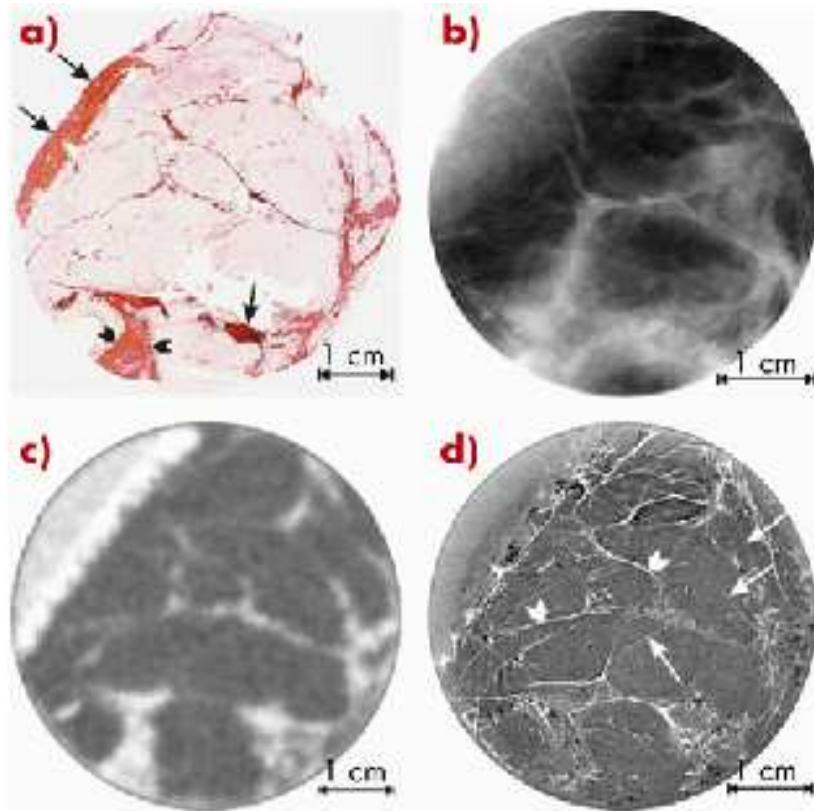
IR Reflectography

Analyses at synchrotron DESY (non destructive)

Colored reconstruction



Mapping of a breast tissue sample



a) Histological section
(used as a standard for interpretation)

b) Clinical planar screen-film
mammogram taken at the hospital

c) Clinical scanner

d) ID17 ESRF (Phase contrast imaging)
Same dose as c)

Stronger contrast

→ Improvement in the visualisation of
the morphology and of the overall
architecture of the breast tissues

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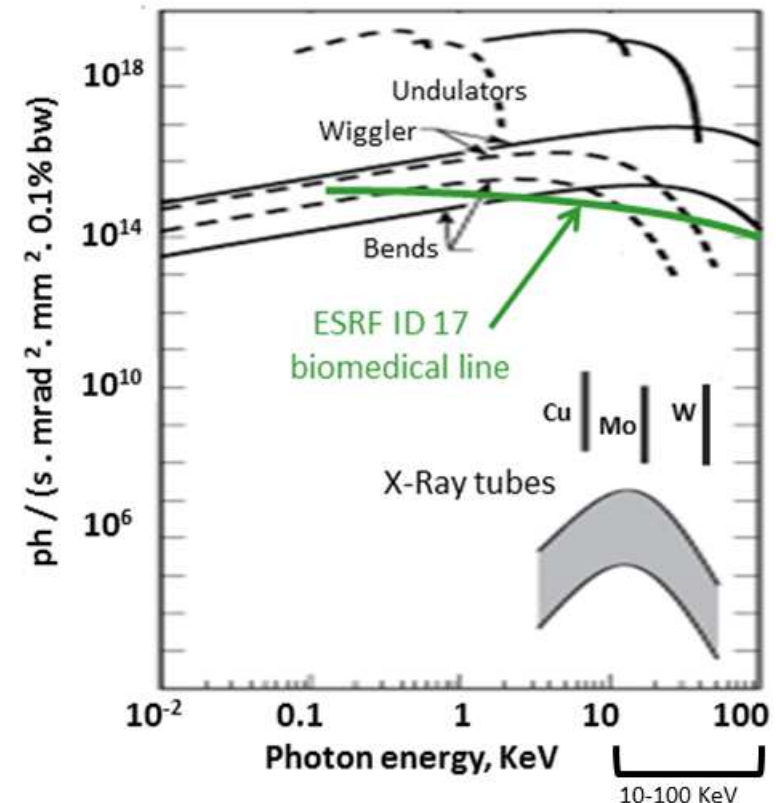
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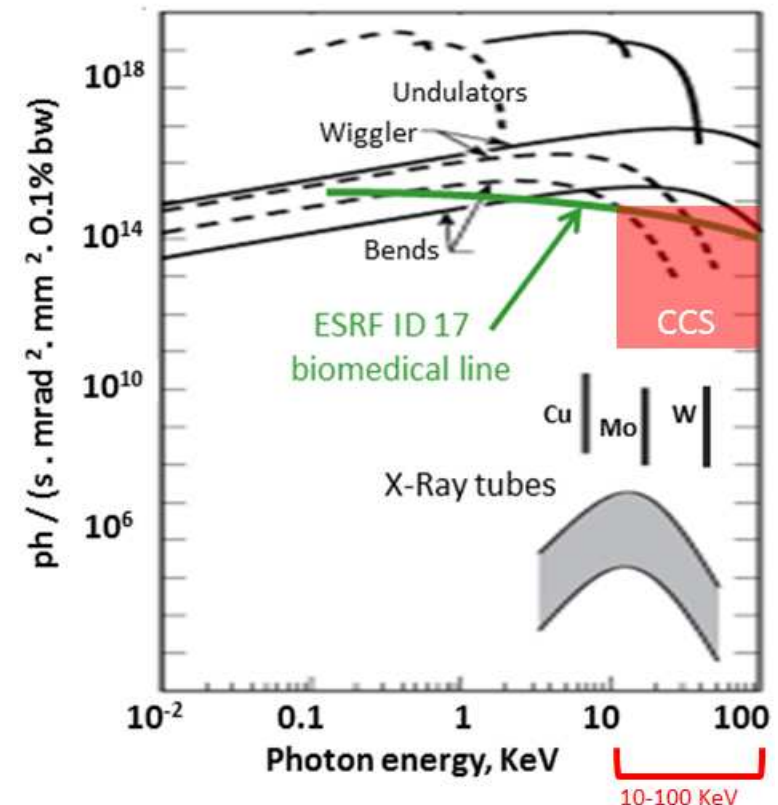
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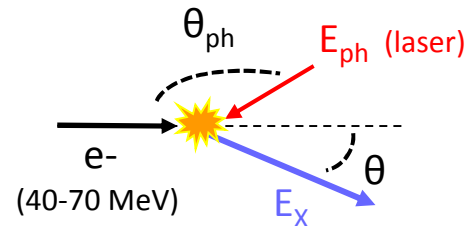
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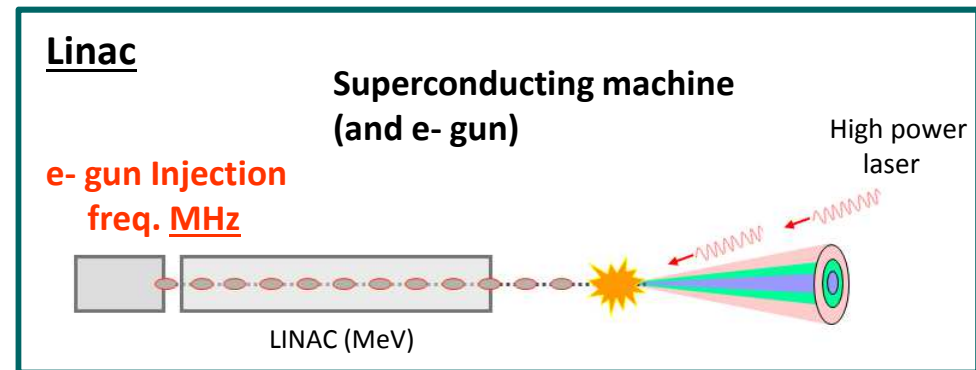
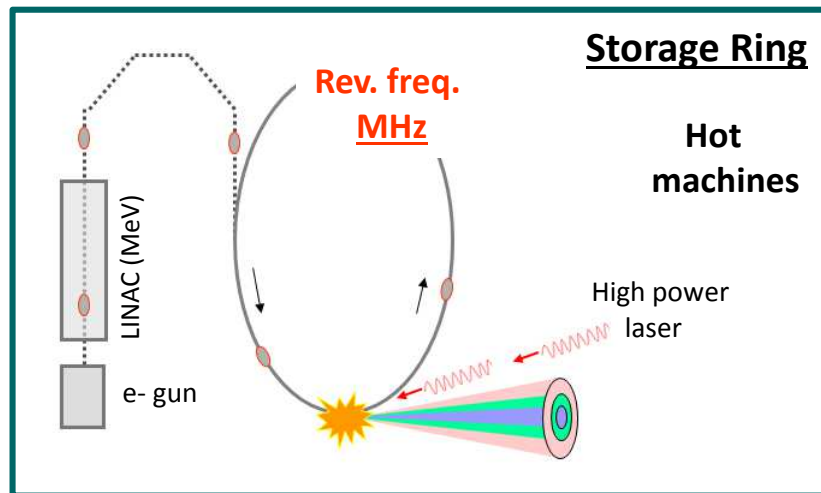


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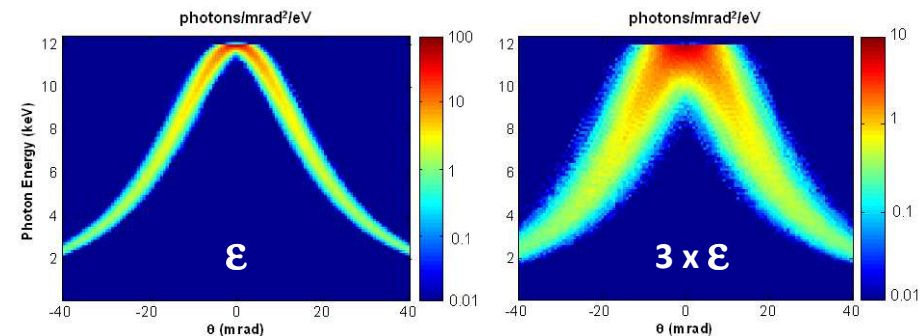


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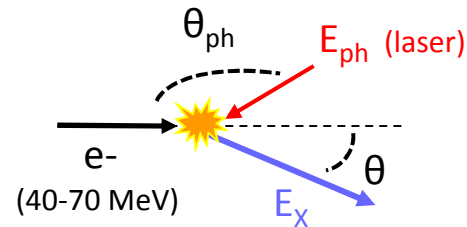


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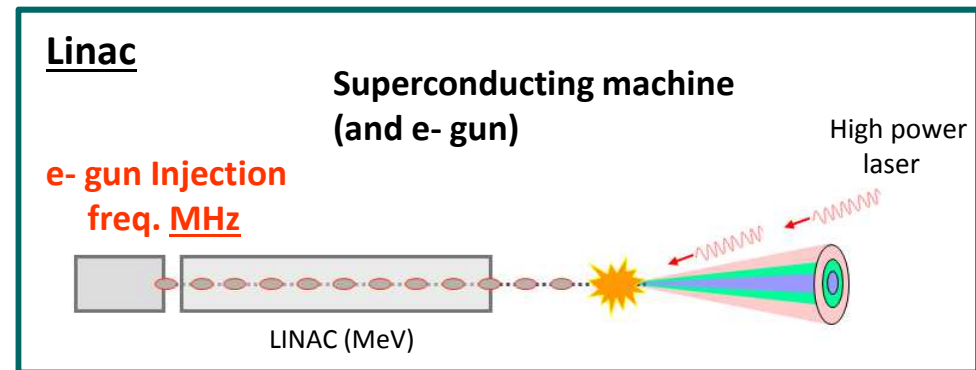
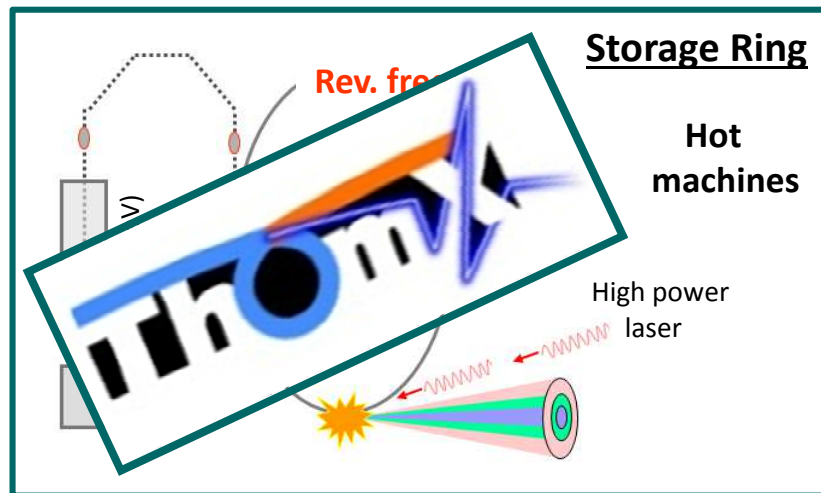


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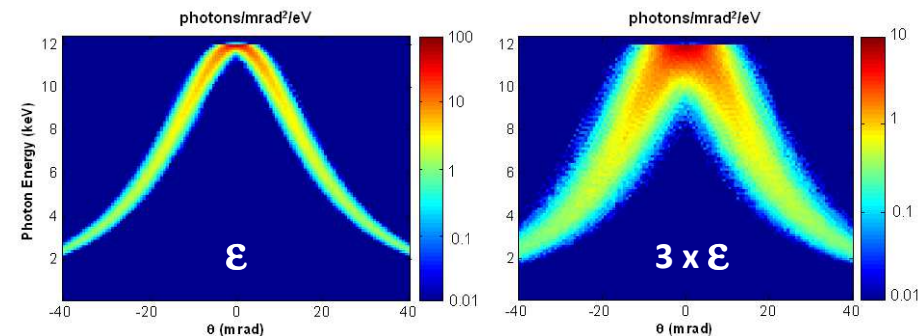


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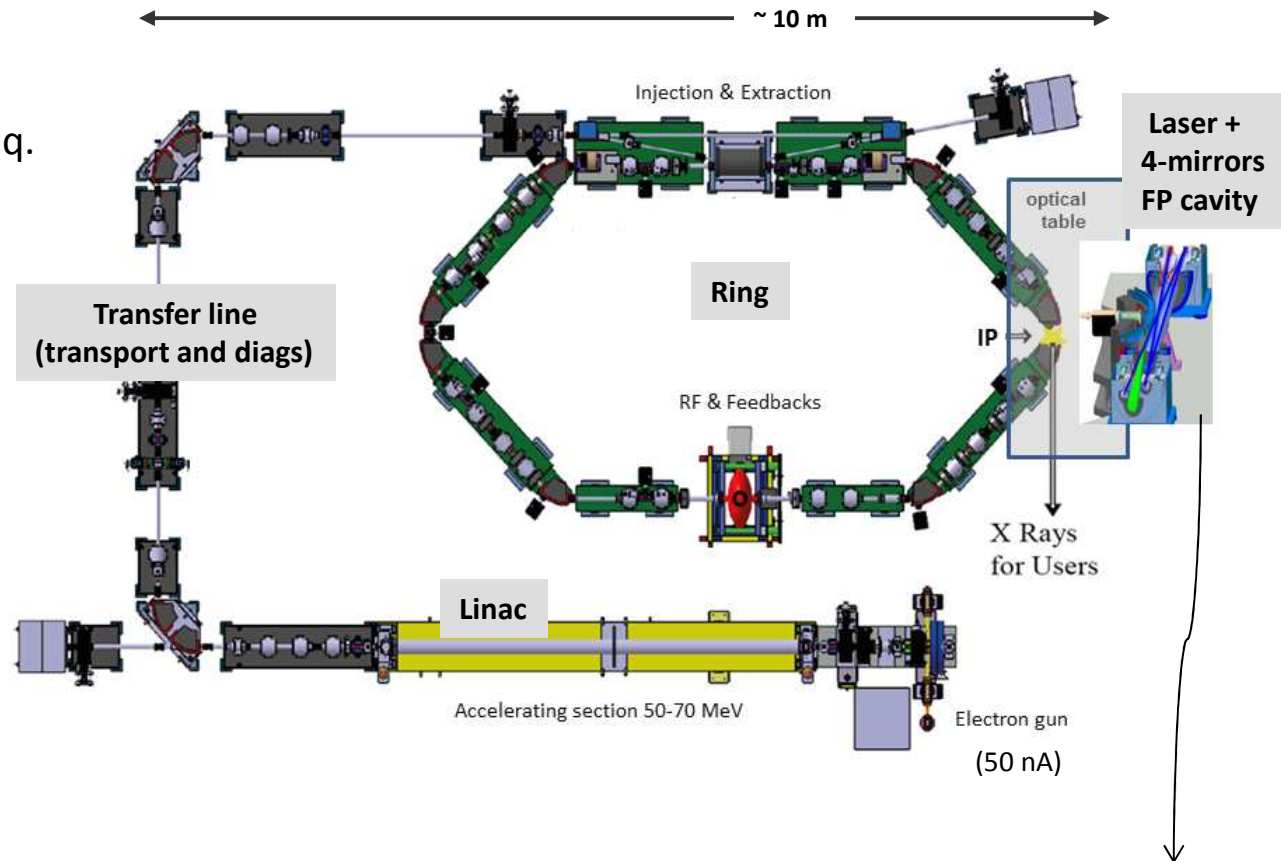
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Electron machine

- 1 nc / bunch , 50 Hz inj. freq.
- Ring, 20 MHz freq.
- $\sigma_e \sim 70 \mu\text{m}$
- $\epsilon_N \sim 4 \text{ mm.mrad}$
- $\tau_e \sim 10\text{-}20 \text{ ps}$

Machine funded
In construction

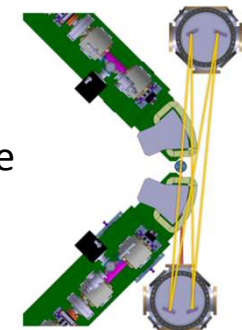


X-ray beam

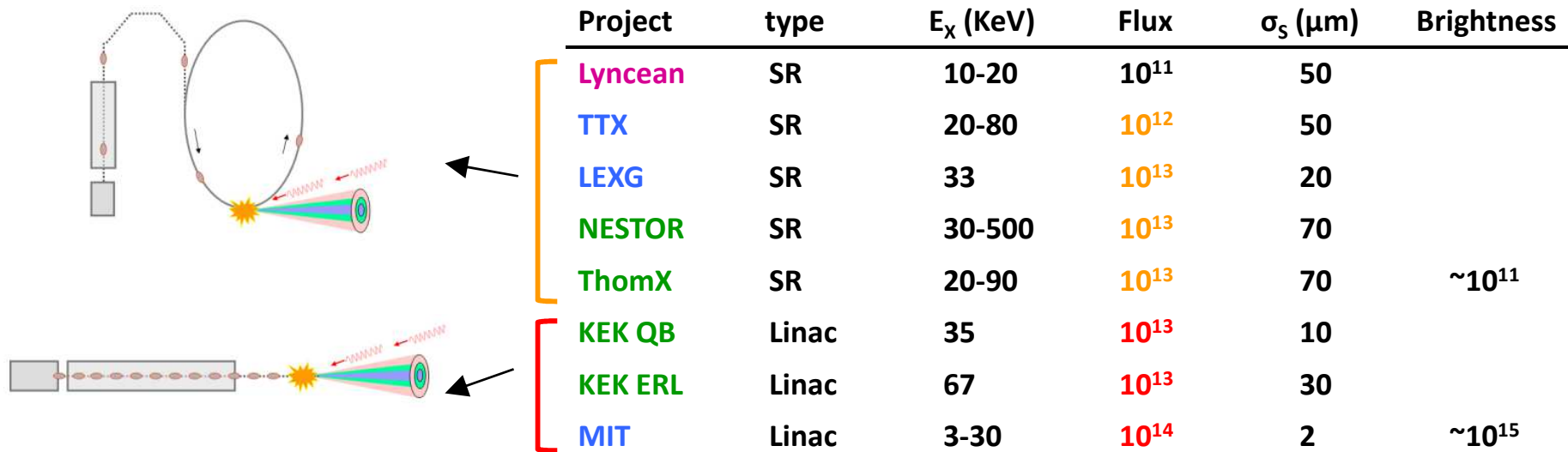
Flux	10^{13}
Brighness	10^{11}
Transv. size	$70 \mu\text{m}$
E_x	20-90 KeV

Laser /Cavity system

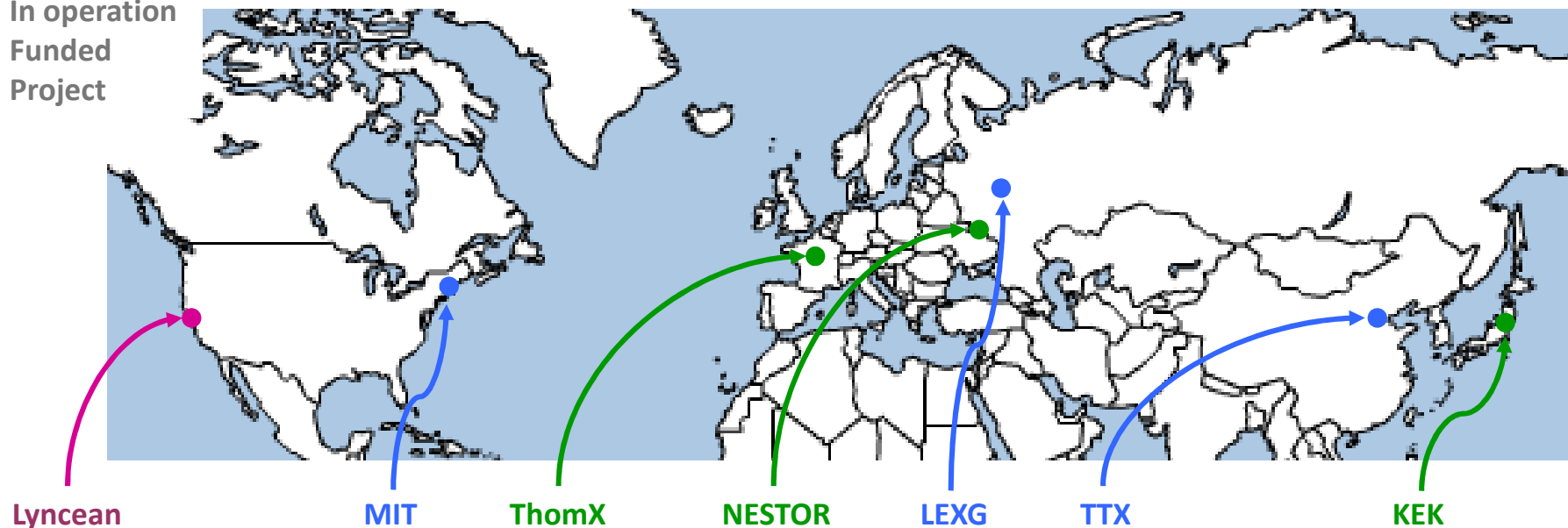
- Laser $\sim 1\text{W}$
- Optical fiber amplification (100 W) 2-3 $\mu\text{J}/\text{pulse}$
- Optical FP cavity amplification (gain 10000)
- 1 MW stored inside the cavity (20-30 mJ/pulse)



Compact Compton projects (X-ray flux > 10^{12} ph/sec)



- In operation
- Funded
- Project



Compact Compton projects (X-ray flux > 10^{12} ph/sec) → Challenges

	Project	type	E_x (KeV)	Flux	σ_s (μm)	Brightness
Achieve the laser/cavity system requirements → 1 MW stored inside the cavity	Lyncean	SR	10-20	10^{11}	50	
	TTX	SR	20-80	10^{12}	50	
	LEXG	SR	33	10^{13}	20	
	NESTOR	SR	30-500	10^{13}	70	
	ThomX	SR	20-90	10^{13}	70	$\sim 10^{11}$
Acquire the control of a low energy storage ring → keep a stable & good quality beam	KEK QB	Linac	35	10^{13}	10	
	KEK ERL	Linac	67	10^{13}	30	
	MIT	Linac	3-30	10^{14}	2	$\sim 10^{15}$

LINAC scheme machine : 2 main technical challenges

- Construction/validation of **a superconducting electron gun** delivering bunches with an **extremely low emittance** and **~ 100 MHz** of injection frequency
- Difficulties in **radioprotection for integration**:
 - MIT → 0.01 nc / bunch , 100 MHz, 40 MeV → 40 KW to be absorbed
 - ThomX → 1 nc / bunch , 50 Hz, 50 MeV → 2.5 W

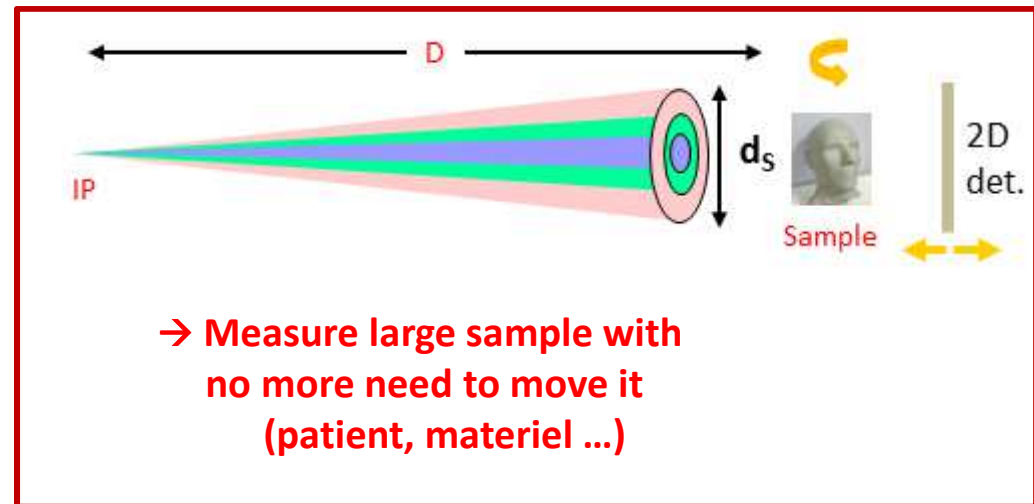
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1. Using the 2D divergent beam

(biomedical and cultural heritage applications)

- Conventional radiography
- K-edge subtraction imaging
- Phase contrast imaging
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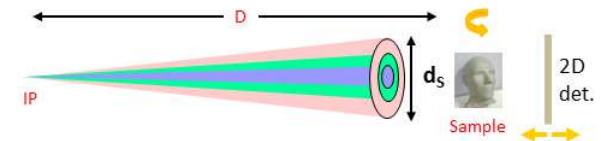
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- **High energy** ($\sim 80\text{KeV}$) to test high-Z element drug
- **No need of monochromaticity** (pink beam, bw $\sim 30\%$)

Ex. : Human head phantom



- 5 mrad opening angle
- $d_s = 12\text{ cm}$ at $D \sim 15\text{ m}$
- $6 \cdot 10^{12}\text{ ph/s}$
- bw 60-90 KeV

ThomX and Synchrotron (ID17/ESRF) \rightarrow comparable

Compared to hospital sources :

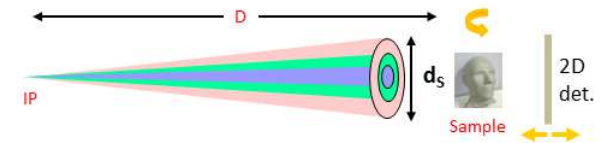
- \rightarrow allow the reduction of the dose
- \rightarrow better image quality

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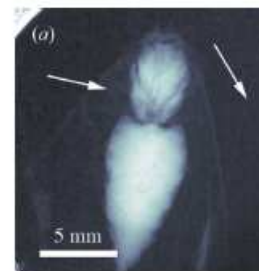
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- **bw 2-3%**
- **Small source size** (to have transv. coherence)

[Synch. Rad. 16, 2009, 43-47]

CS Lyncean Tech. (only CCS in operation in the world)



standard absorption



phase-contrast

13.5 KeV , 3% bw
 10^9 ph/sec
 $\sigma = 165 \mu\text{m}$

Proof of principle



- 70 KeV, 2-3% bw, $\sigma \sim 70 \mu\text{m}$
- $d_s = 4 \text{ cm}$ at $D \sim 15 \text{ m}$
- 10^{12} ph/s

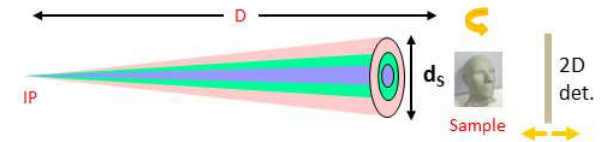
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(large focal spot size, broad spectrum, low flux)

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- **High energy** ($\sim 80\text{KeV}$)
- **bw** $\sim 10\%$



- $80\text{ KeV} \pm 10\text{ KeV}$
- $d_s = 5\text{ cm}$ at $D \sim 10\text{ m}$
- 3.10^{12} ph/s

Ex. : Human head tumor
(tumor deliver dose $\sim 10\text{-}20\text{ Gy}$)

- **ThomX** $\rightarrow 9\text{ mGy/sec} \rightarrow 20\text{-}30\text{ min of irradiation}$
- **ESRF/ID17** ($\sim 6\text{ mGy/sec}$)
- **Hospital sources** \rightarrow broad spectrum,
and continuously operation not possible

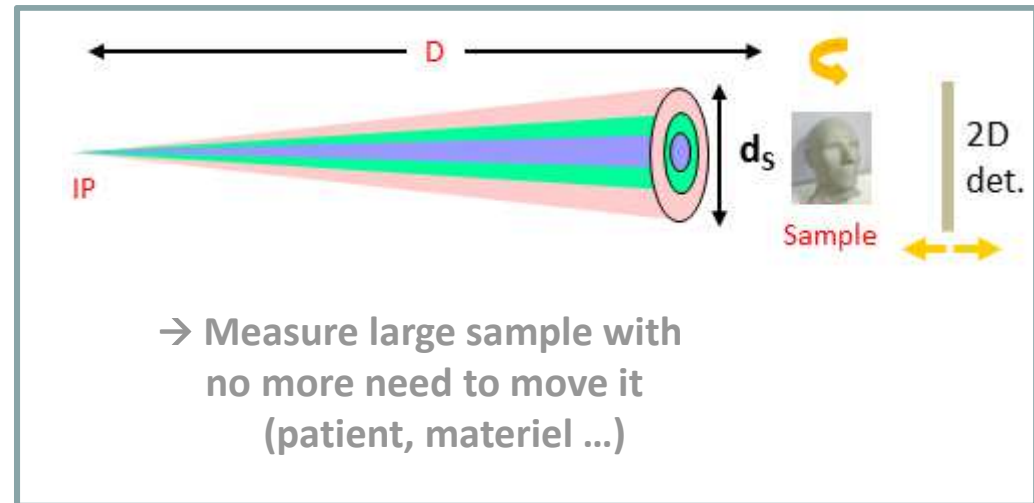
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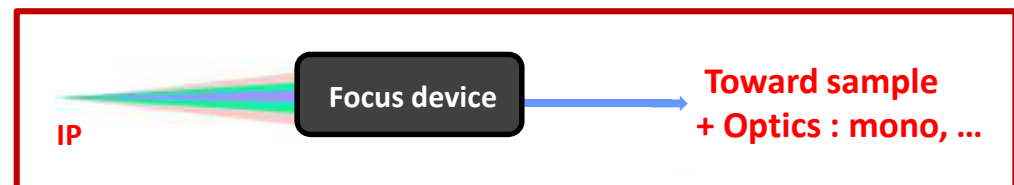


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(cultural heritage / material science applications)

- Fluorescence Spectroscopy
- XANES Spectroscopy
- Diffraction
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Quasi-monochromatic beam ($\sim 1\% - 0.01\%$ bw)

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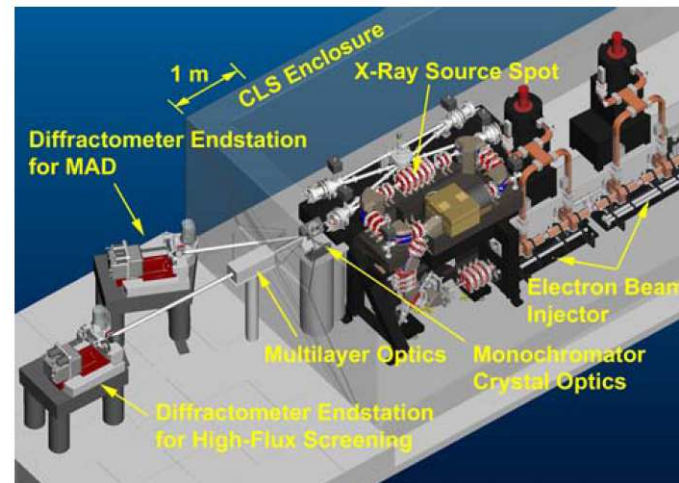
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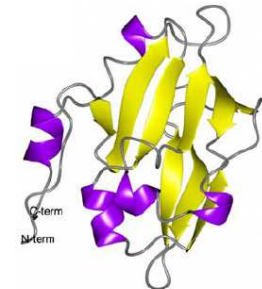
- Quasi-monochromatic beam

1st determination of the 3D structure of a protein
CS Lyncean Tech. source



15 KeV, 1.4% bw
 $5 \cdot 10^6$ ph/sec
 $\sigma = 120 \mu\text{m}$

Ribbon representation

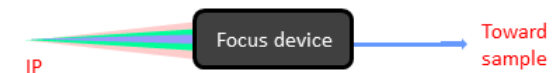


[J. Struct. Funct. Gen. 11, 2010, 91-100]

Proof of principle (~ Rigaku rotating anode)



• 10^9 ph/s , $\Delta E/E \sim 10^{-2} - 10^{-3}$



Conclusions/Outlook

- ▶ **CCS combine**
 - Compactness
 - High flux/brightness
 - Tunable energy
 - Transverse coherence

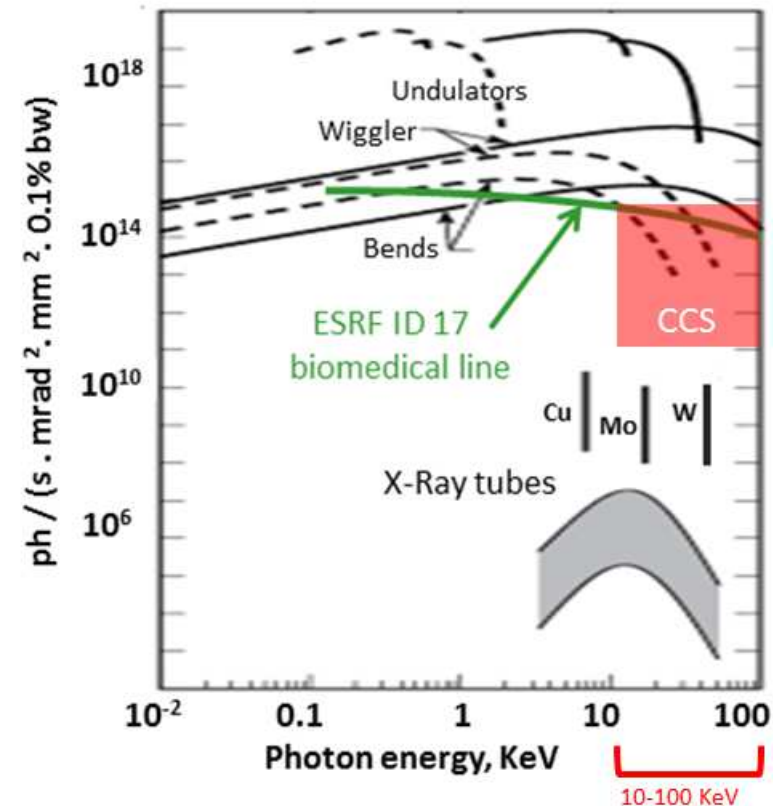
- ▶ **Today**

- Hot machines
- Brightness $\sim 10^{11}$



- ▶ **... and tomorrow**

- Supra machines (e- gun)
- Brightness $\sim 10^{13}$ - 10^{15}



- ▶ **CCS will open a new approach in research and development of applications**

- Biomedical science
 - Cultural heritage research
 - Material science
- Imaging techniques using a large 2D beam = **golden applications**
 - **Fill the great lack of intense lab sources.**



Thank you