

# **Metal microdetectors test with spatially fractionated gamma-ray beam at the Kyiv Institute of Cancer**

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# Principle of the spatially fractionated radiation therapy

- Make Irradiation field inhomogeneous:

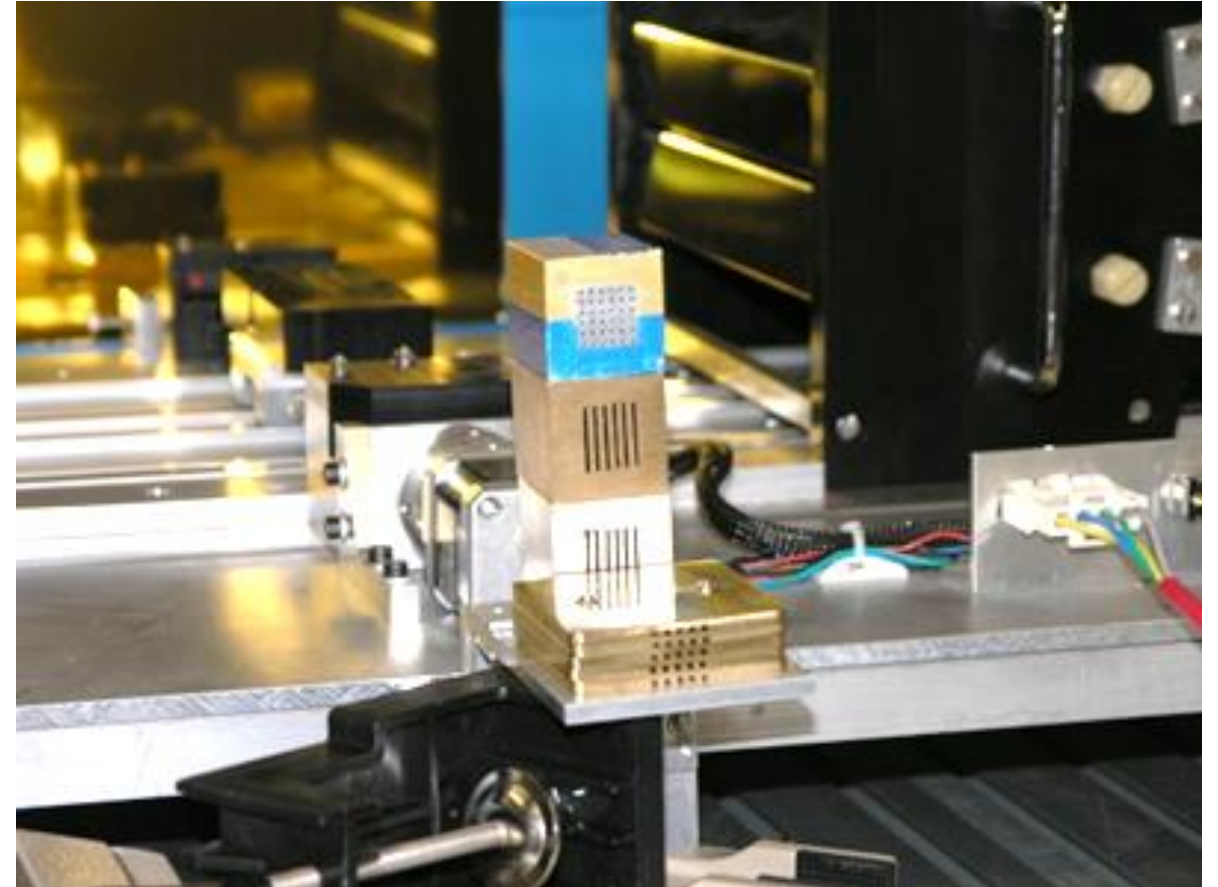
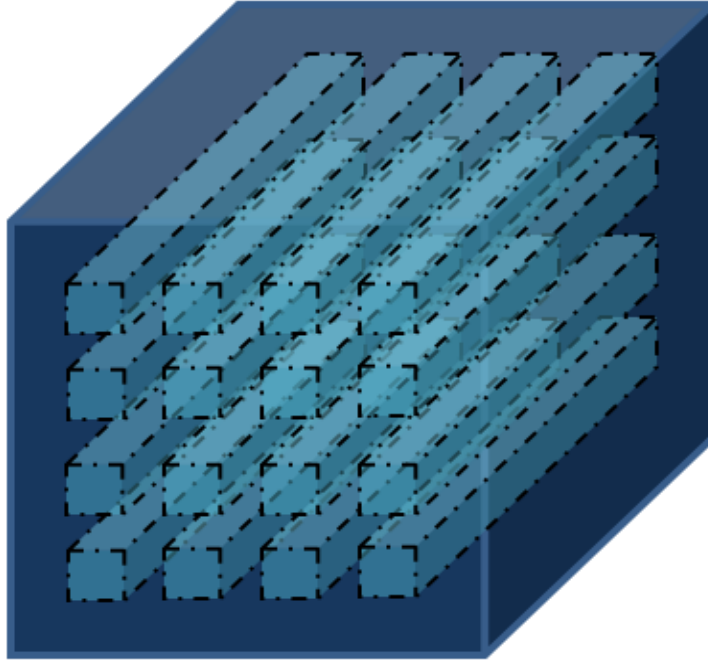
Shape it as mini-beams (0.6 mm width and 1.2 mm periodical structure) or micro-beams (50  $\mu\text{m}$  and 100  $\mu\text{m}$  periodical structure)

- Developed for the synchrotron radiation at ESRF (Grenoble)
- Tested at animals – positive effect due to the increased dose in the open area of the collimator.
- Criteria of profit – PVDR (peak to valley dose ratio)
- Measured for the first time in real time in 2011 in Collaboration KINR\_ESRF\_Medipix(CERN) – spatial dose distribution in agreement with gafchromic films (off-line, time consuming procedure, yet with a perfect position accuracy – few micrometers).
- New idea (IMNC, Yolanda Prezado) – to implement it for the hadron beams (feasibility studies started at HIT – Heidelberg in 2014 (KINR-IMNC-CERN))
- *[V. Pugatch, et al. Characterization of equipment for shaping and imaging hadron minibeam. NIM A872 (2017) 119-125.]*

# Goal

- Study the property of different materials for collimators and dose distribution using different type of collimators
- Archive the best value of PVDR
- Use for shaping and dose measurement of radioactive beam different detector types
- Compare collimator fractionated beam with the pencil beam

# Equipment for shaping



## Matrix collimators

(holes of  $1.5 \times 1.5 \text{ mm}^2$  and c-t-c distance of 4 mm)

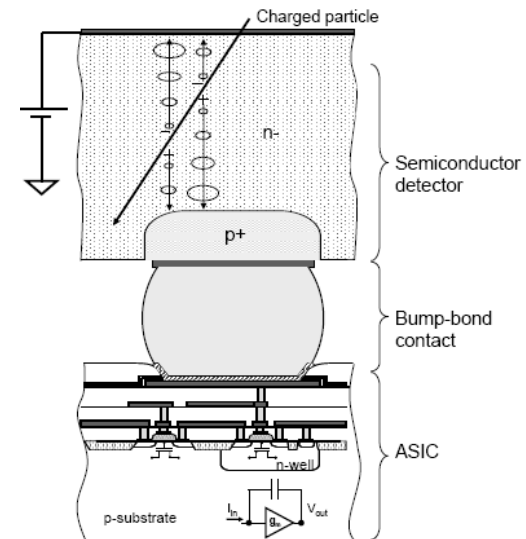
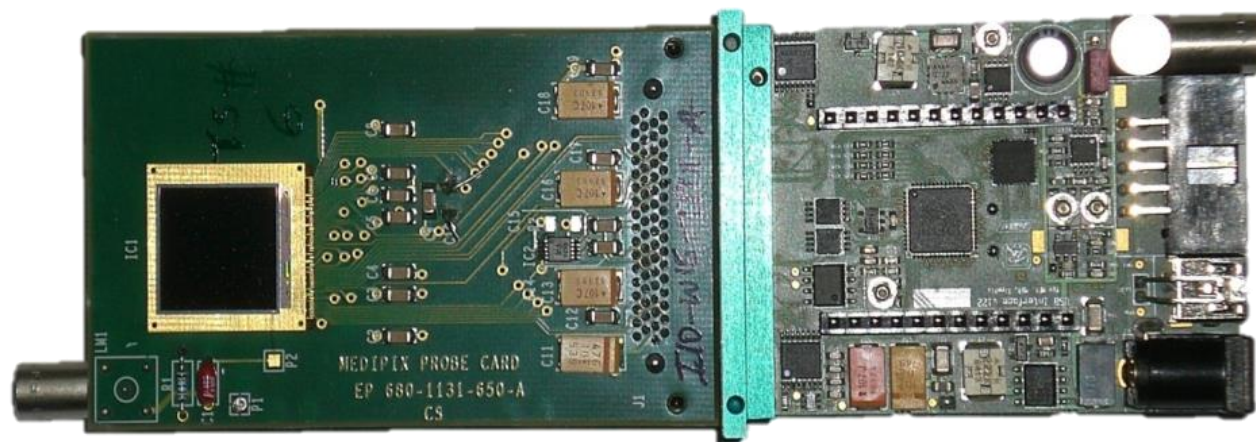
## Slit Collimators

(1.5 mm width, 2.5 mm c-t-c distance)

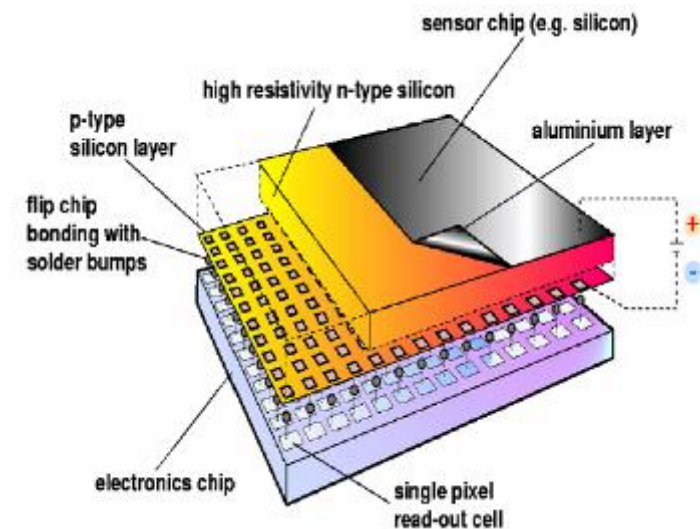
Material: aluminum, brass, copper

# Equipment for imaging. TimePix

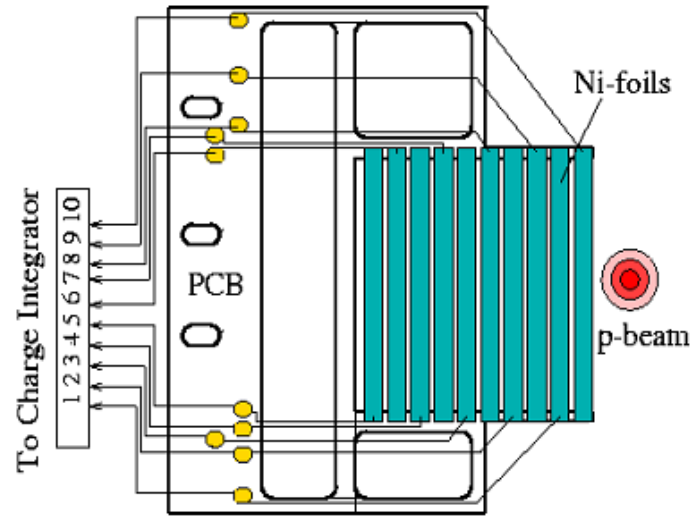
Hybrid pixel detector with the n-Silicon sensor chip and the TimePix electronics chip connected via bump bonds



- 256 x 256 pixels
- 55  $\mu\text{m}$  side length
- Direct X-ray conversion
- positive or negative charge input
- single energy threshold.
- 3 modes: Single particle counting, Time over Threshold or Arrival time mode.
- 13-bit counter per pixel.
- Parallel and serial read-out are realised.



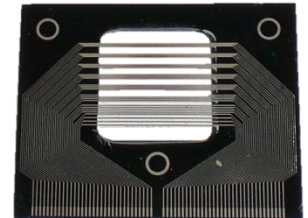
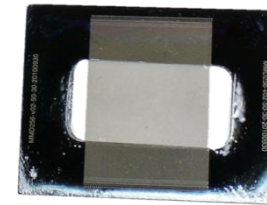
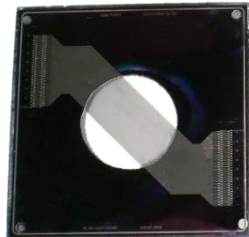
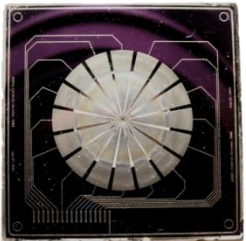
# Equipment for imaging. MMD



- High Radiation tolerance (more than 100 MGy)
- Nearly transparent sensor - **1  $\mu\text{m}$  thickness**

## MMD applications

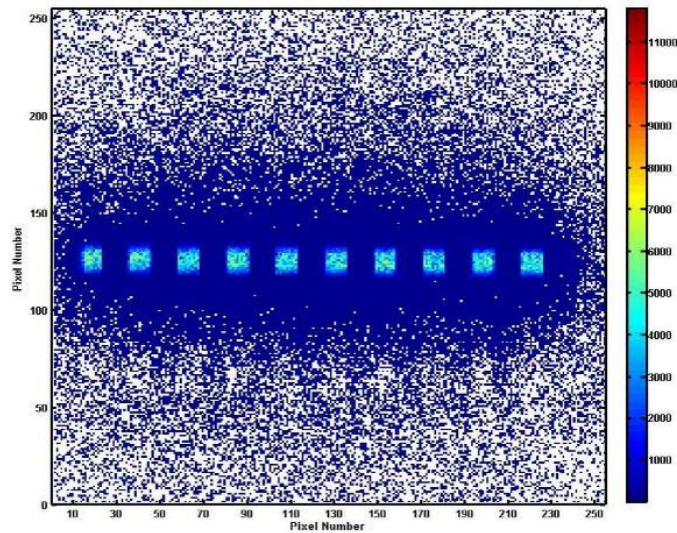
- Micro-beam Profile Monitoring for Charged Particles and Synchrotron Radiation
- Detectors at the focal plane of mass-spectrometers and electron microscopes
- Imaging sensors for X-ray and charged particle applications
- Precise dose distribution measurements for micro-biology, hadron-therapy etc.
- Industrial applications: micro-metallurgy, micro-electronics, etc.



# TimePix measuring High intensity X-Ray beams

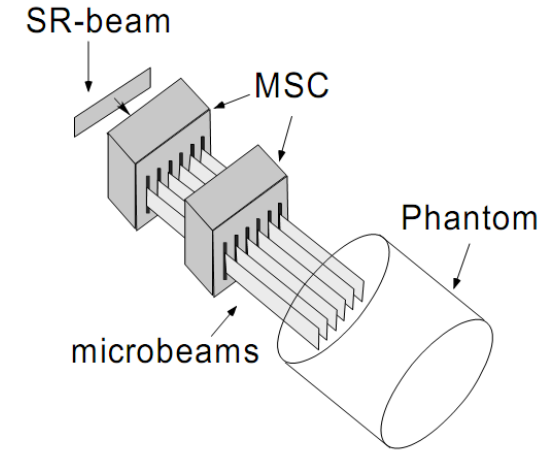
Measurements at the beamline ID17 ESRF (Grenoble)

The experiment (ESRF, MI1056) was carried out at the beamline ID17 with closed wiggler gap (24.8 mm) in the 16-bunches mode and with 200 mA electron beam current in the storage ring with the electrons energy of 6 GeV. X-rays with peak energy of 150 keV (ranging from 20 to 500 keV) were produced with intensity of  $2,7 \times 10^9$  photons/(c×mm<sup>2</sup>×mA).



2D image of the 10 X-ray beams measured by the TimePix (Metal) detector.

The spatially fractionated mini-beam

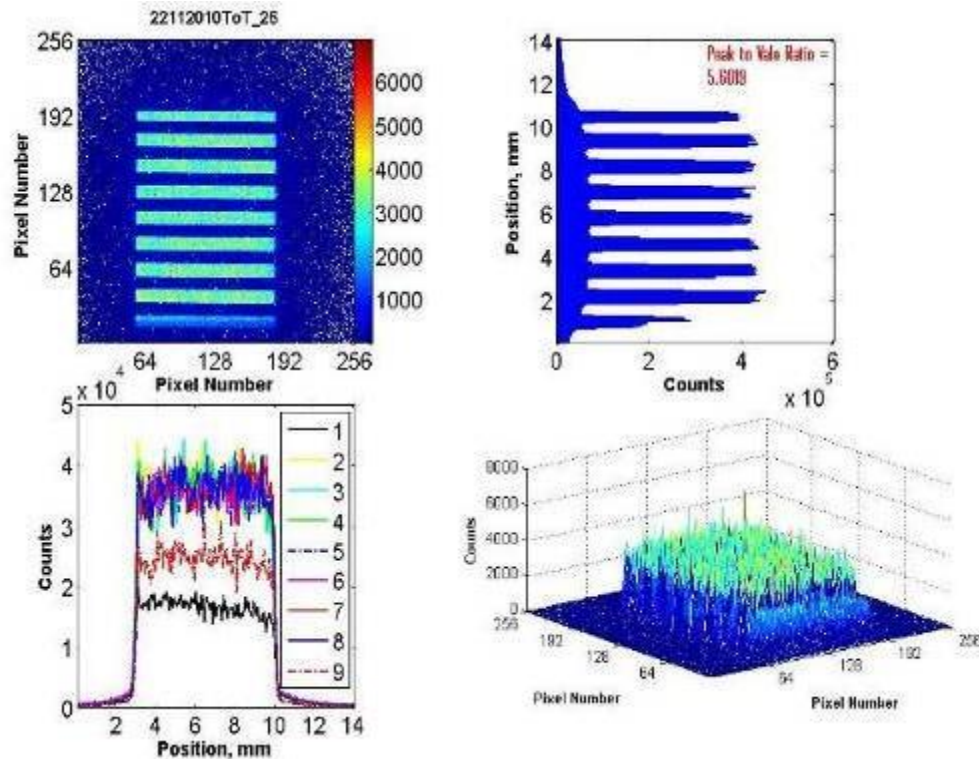


**Energy: 150 keV**  
**Intensity:  $2,7 \cdot 10^{11}$  photons/(c·mm<sup>2</sup>)**

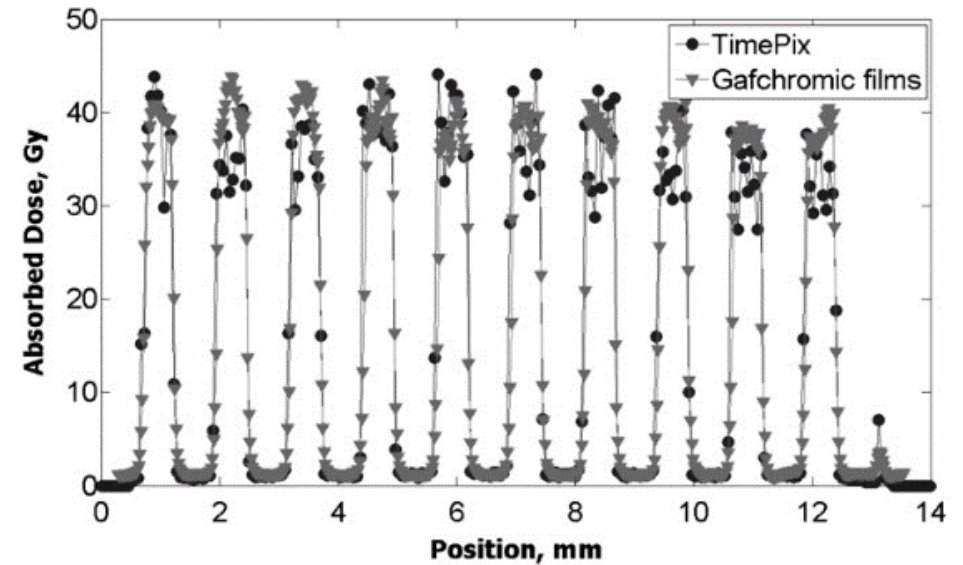
**Radiation hard detectors are required!**

Metal TimePix detector imaging the X-ray beam.  
Color grade indicates the relative beam intensity.

# TimePix imaging X-rays beams at the Bio-medical beamline ID17 (ESRF, Grenoble).



**X rays**  
50 - 600 keV  
Intensity:  
 $2,7 \times 10^{11}$   
photons/(s $\times$ mm<sup>2</sup>)



Conventional dose measurement  
(**gafchromic films**) using microscope  
technique takes **up to 24 hours**.

Characterization studies of the TimePix measuring in real time dose distribution at the Mini-beam Radiation Therapy setup (ESRF, Bio-Medical Beamline ID17) were performed.

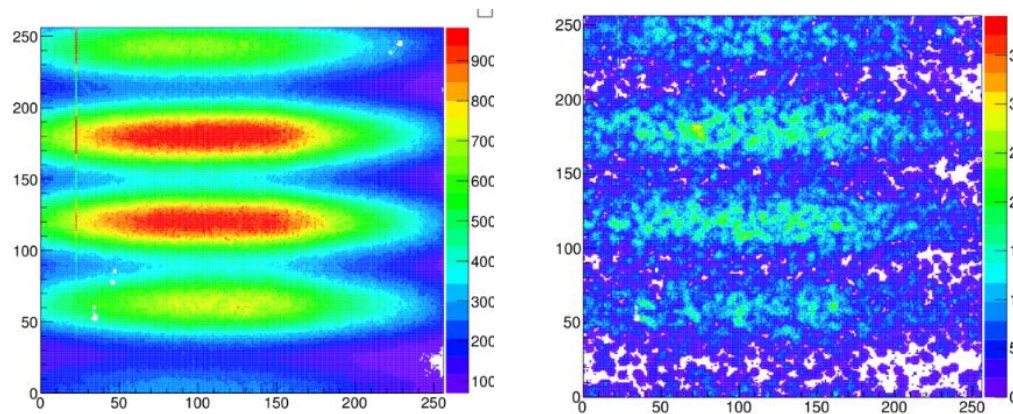
The results obtained for high intensity synchrotron radiation mini-beams illustrate an excellent performance of the TimePix providing 2D image of the high level dose distribution over many beams in (14 x14) mm<sup>2</sup> area.

Peak-Valley-Ratios measured by TimePix and gafchromic films agree well.

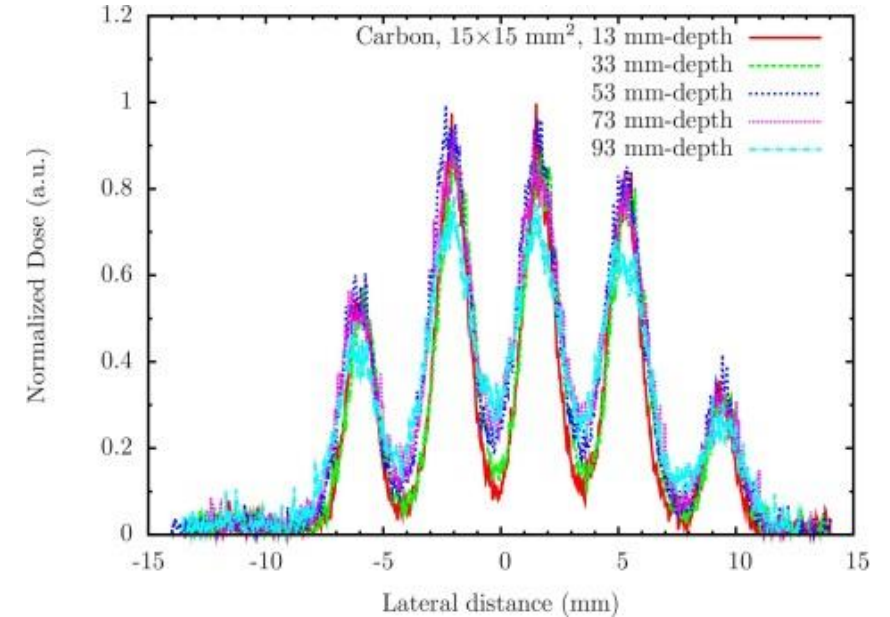


# Feasibility studies of the spatially fractionated hadron therapy. HIT (Heidelberg)

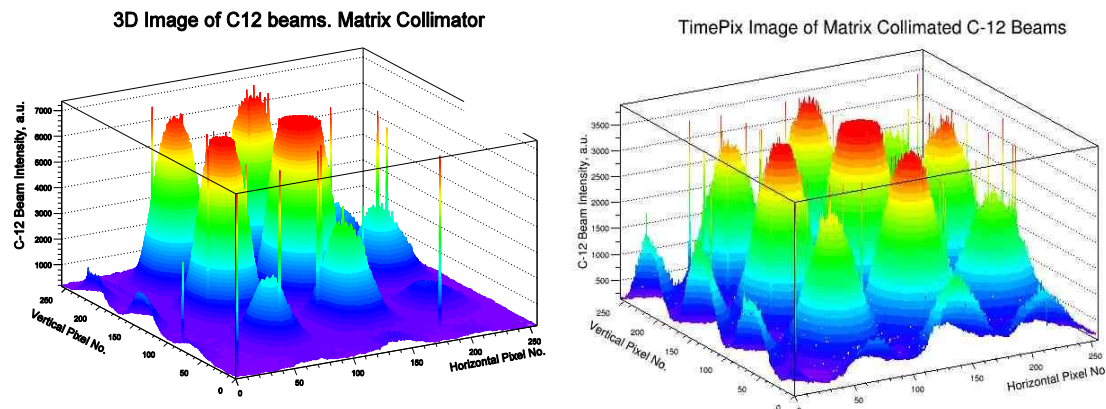
2D images of carbon mini-beams shaped by the **slit collimator** (brass) with five slits (1.5 mm width, 2.5 mm c-t-c distance)



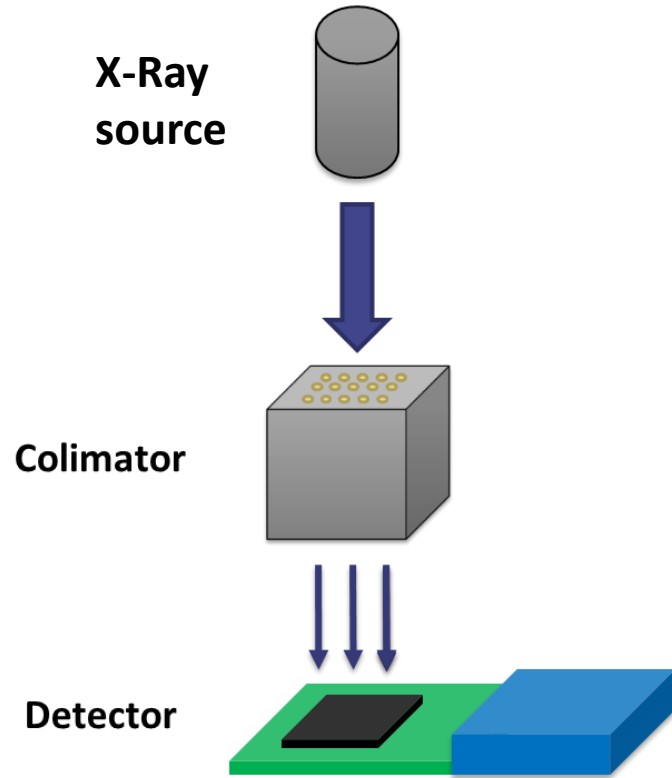
The lateral dose (normalized, a.u.) profiles for carbon ions measured at several depths (13, 33, 53, 73 and 93 mm-depth) in a RW3 solid-water phantom. The irradiation field size was  $15 \times 15$  mm<sup>2</sup>.



Images of carbon mini-beams shaped by a **matrix collimator** made out of 40 mm thick brass: 1.5 x1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> holes with c-t-c distance of 4 mm



# Experimental setup for shaping and monitoring mini-beams

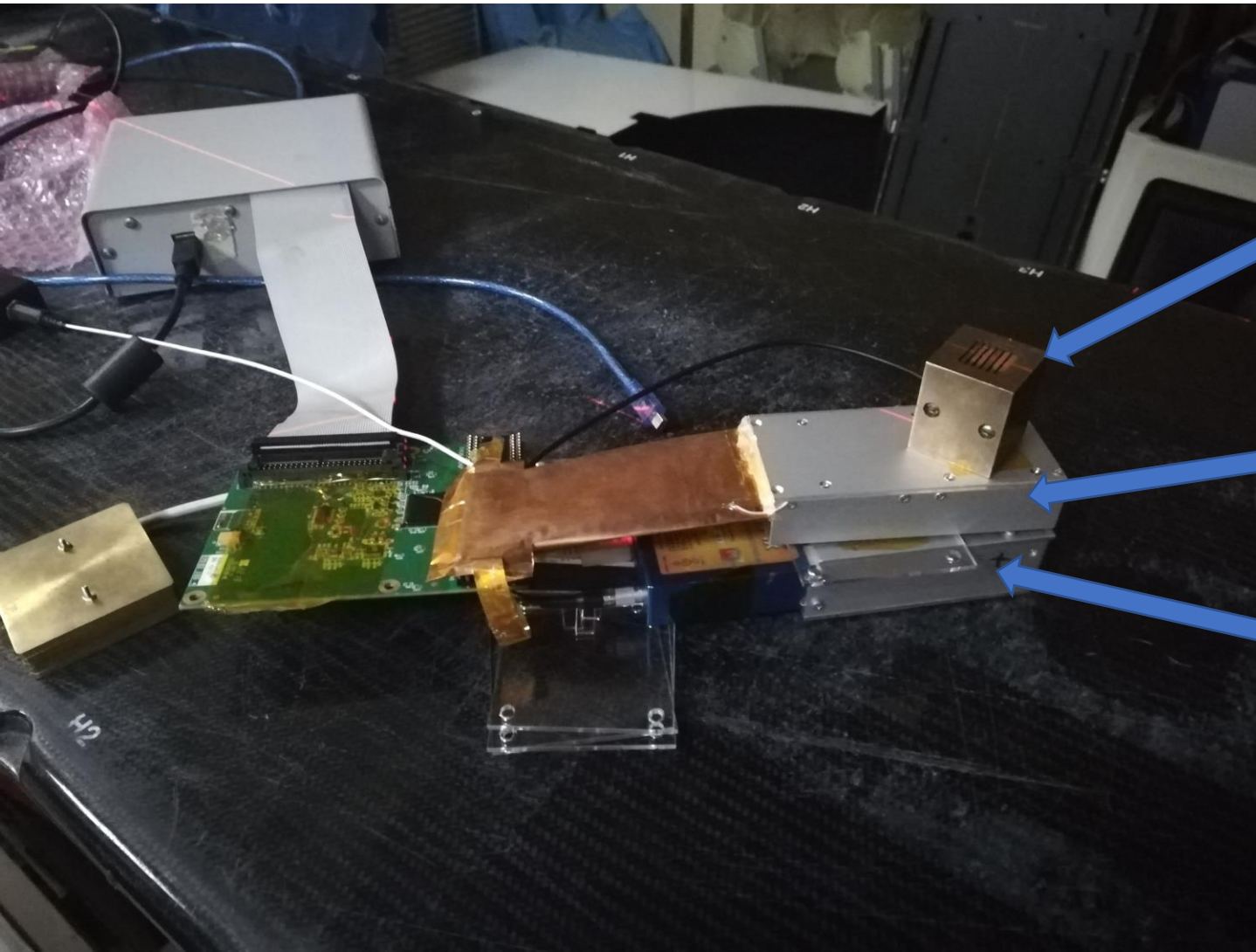


**Beam Energy:** 6, 15 MeV  
**Pulse Width:** 5  $\mu$ s  
**Pulse Repetition Rate:** 20-100 Hz  
**Beam type:** Photon, electron

The experimental setup for testing various types of micro-detectors and read-out electronics on charged particles and gamma-rays at the accelerator Clinac-2100 CD "VARIAN"



# Positioning and parallel measurements

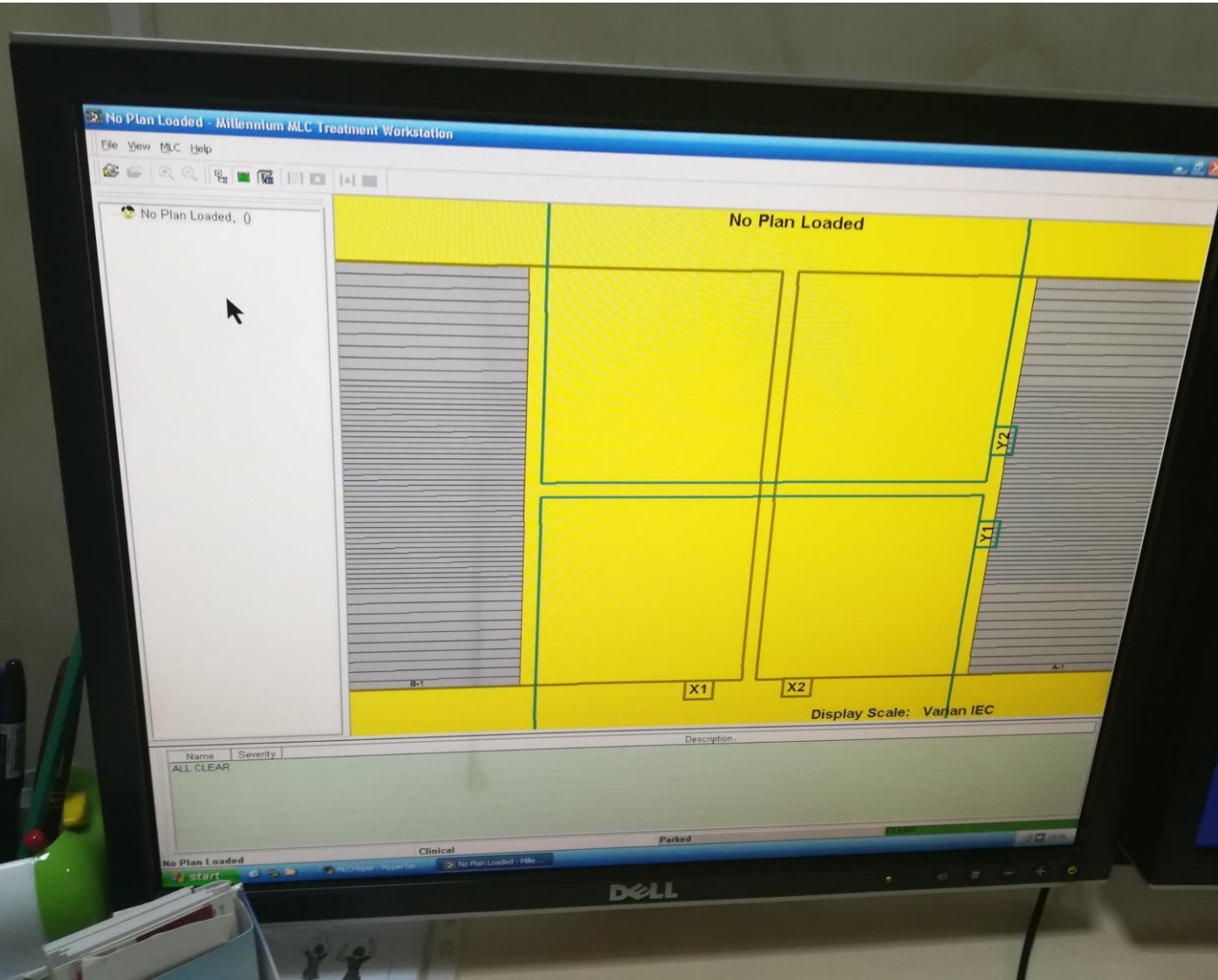


Collimator

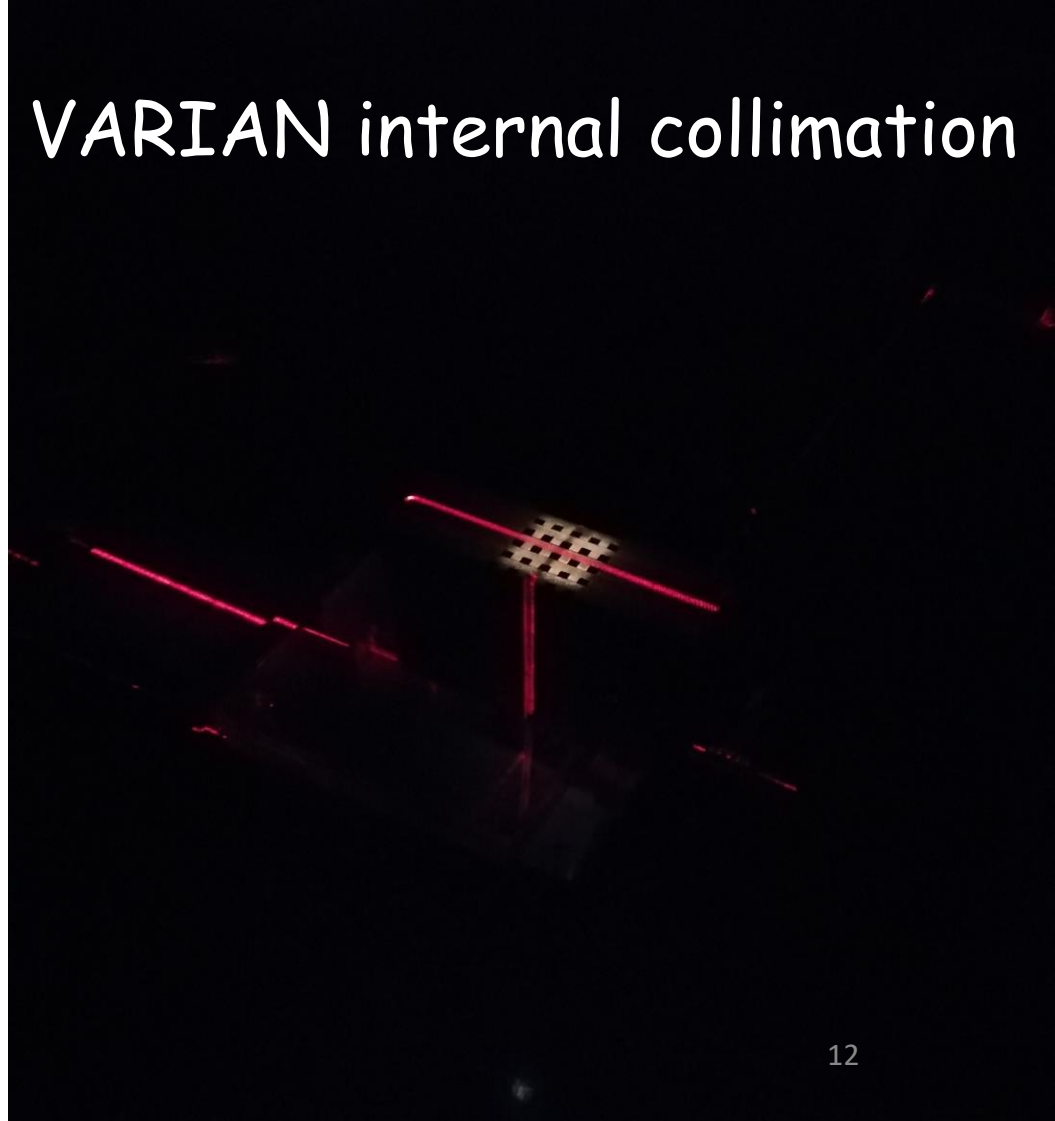
MMD

TimePix

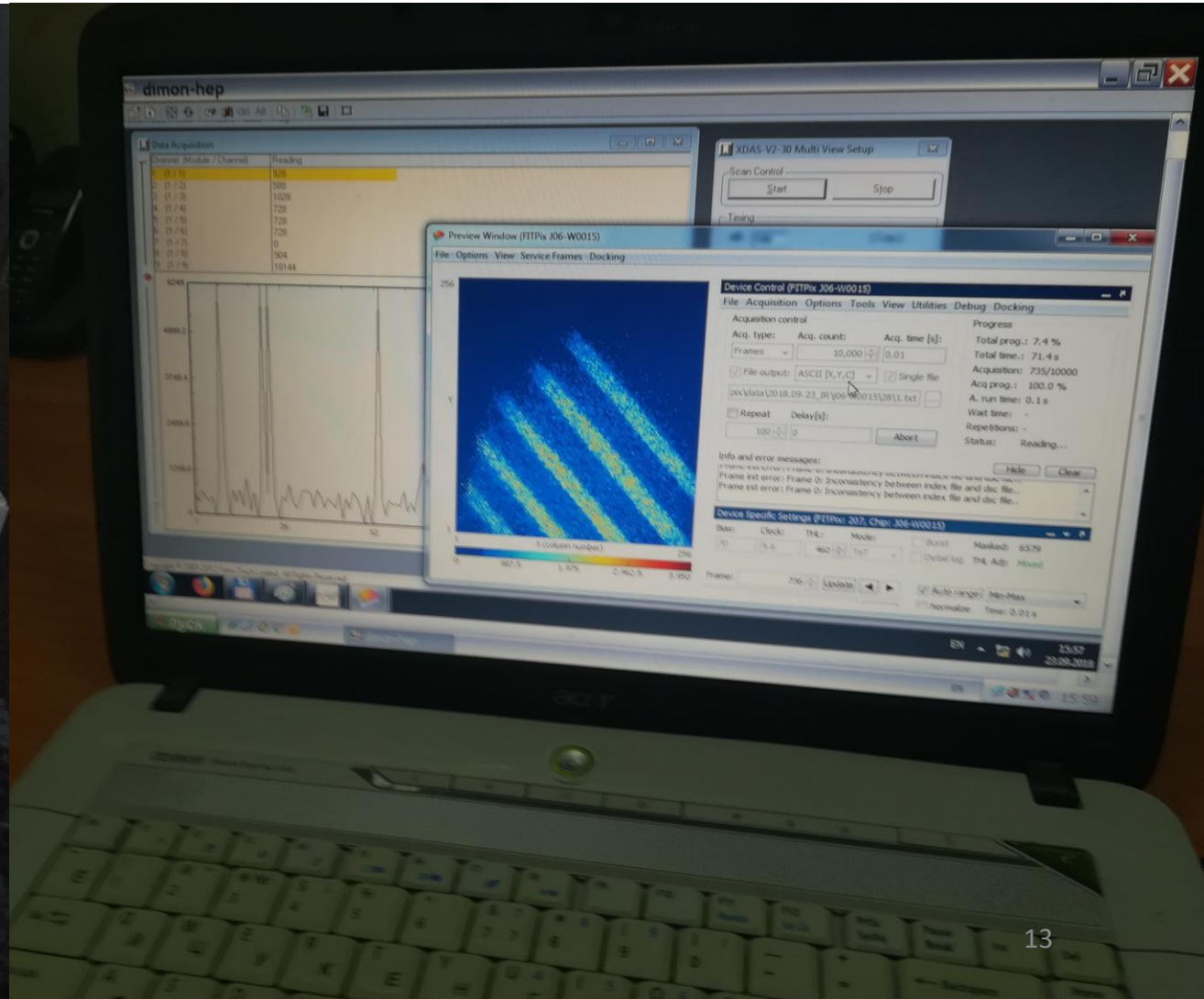
# Positioning and parallel measurements



VARIAN internal collimation

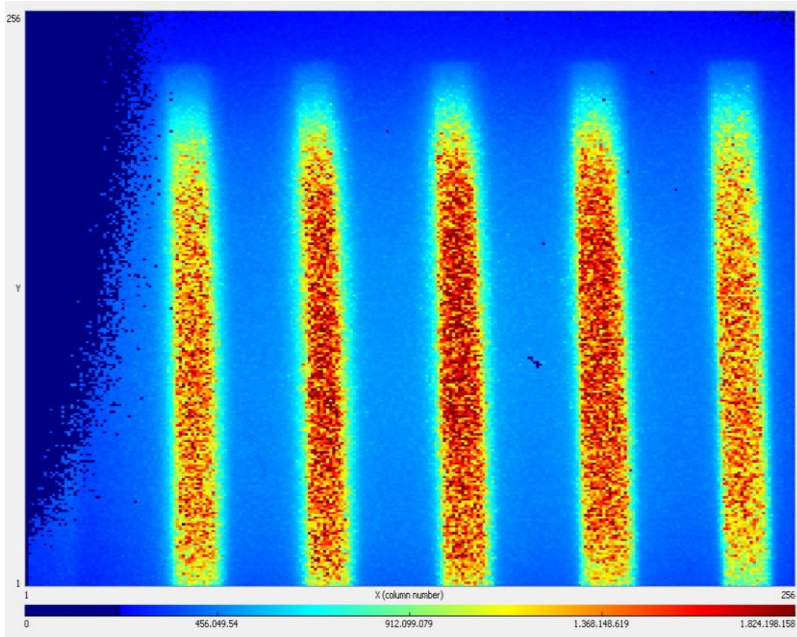


# Positioning and parallel measurements



# Beam fractionated by brass slit collimator

2D dimension distribution

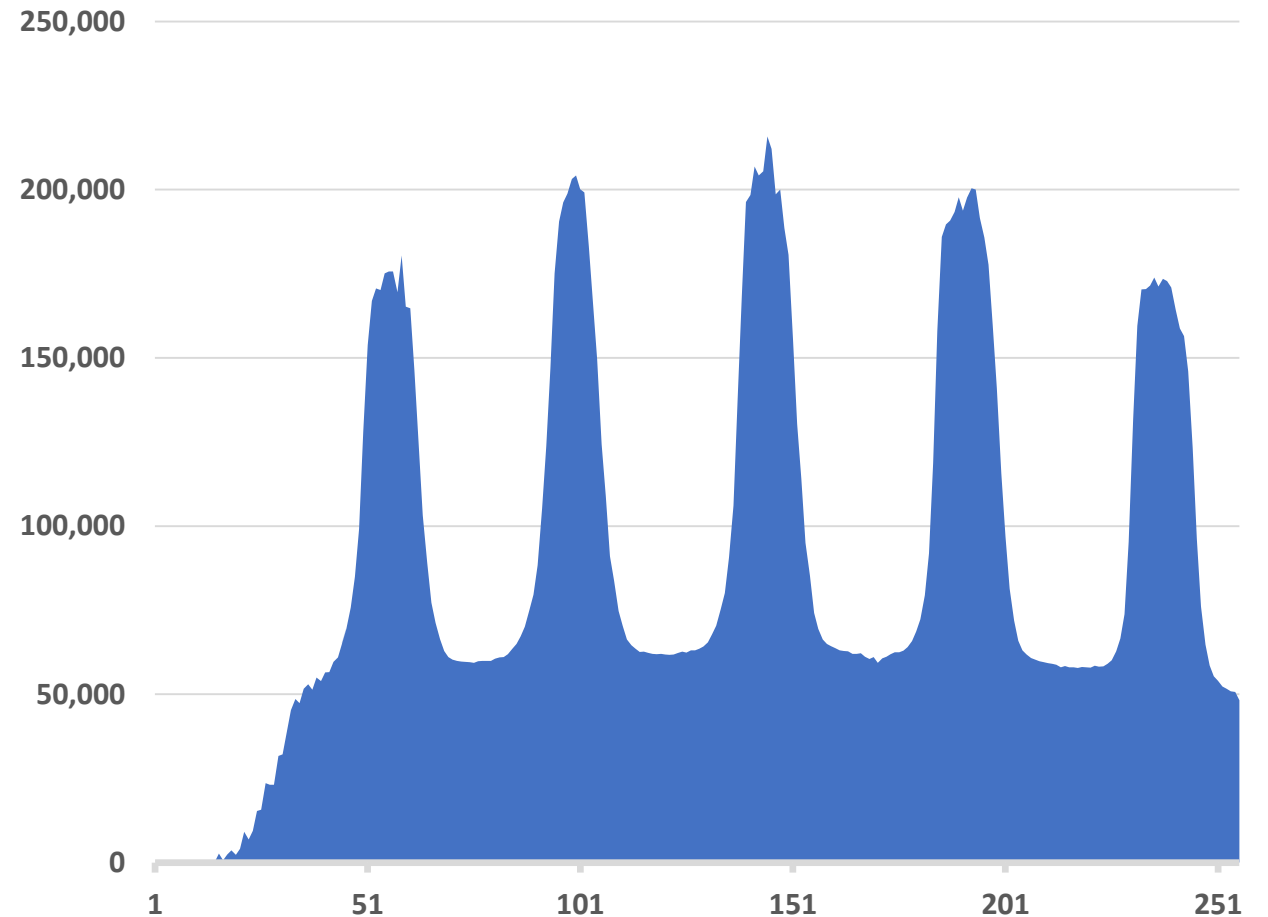


**Brass Slit Collimators**  
(1.5 mm width, 2.5 mm c-t-c distance)

PVDR:  $\sim 3.45$

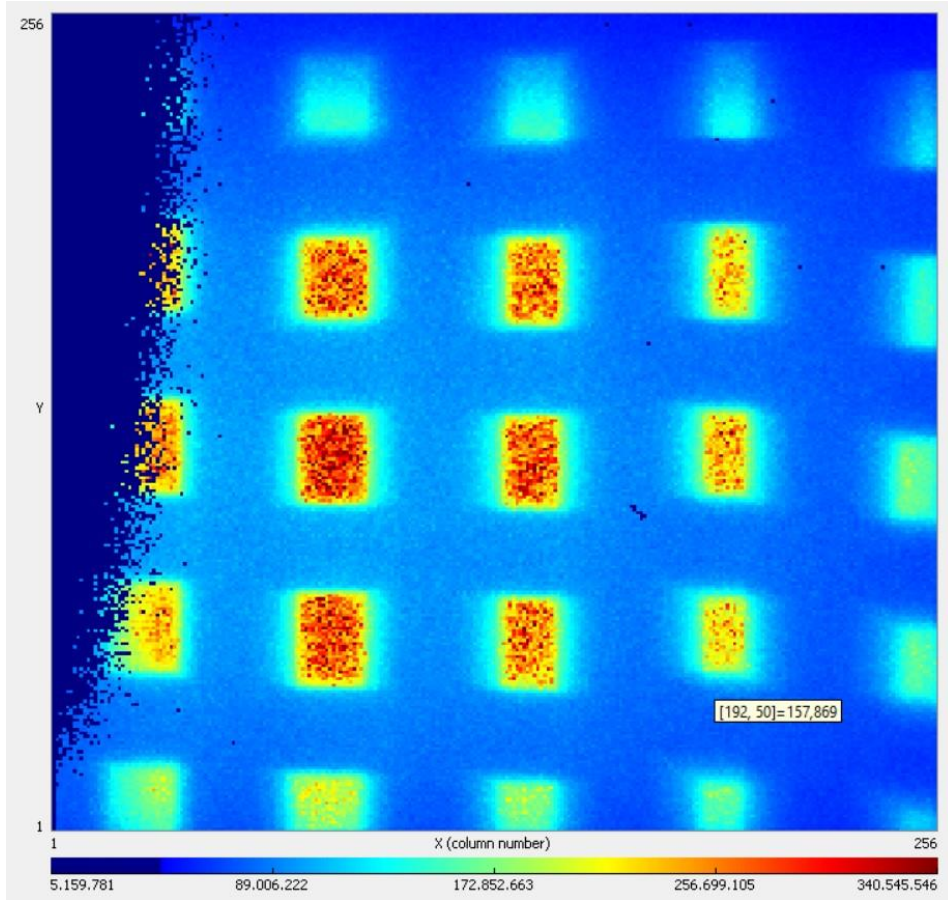


1D dimension distribution

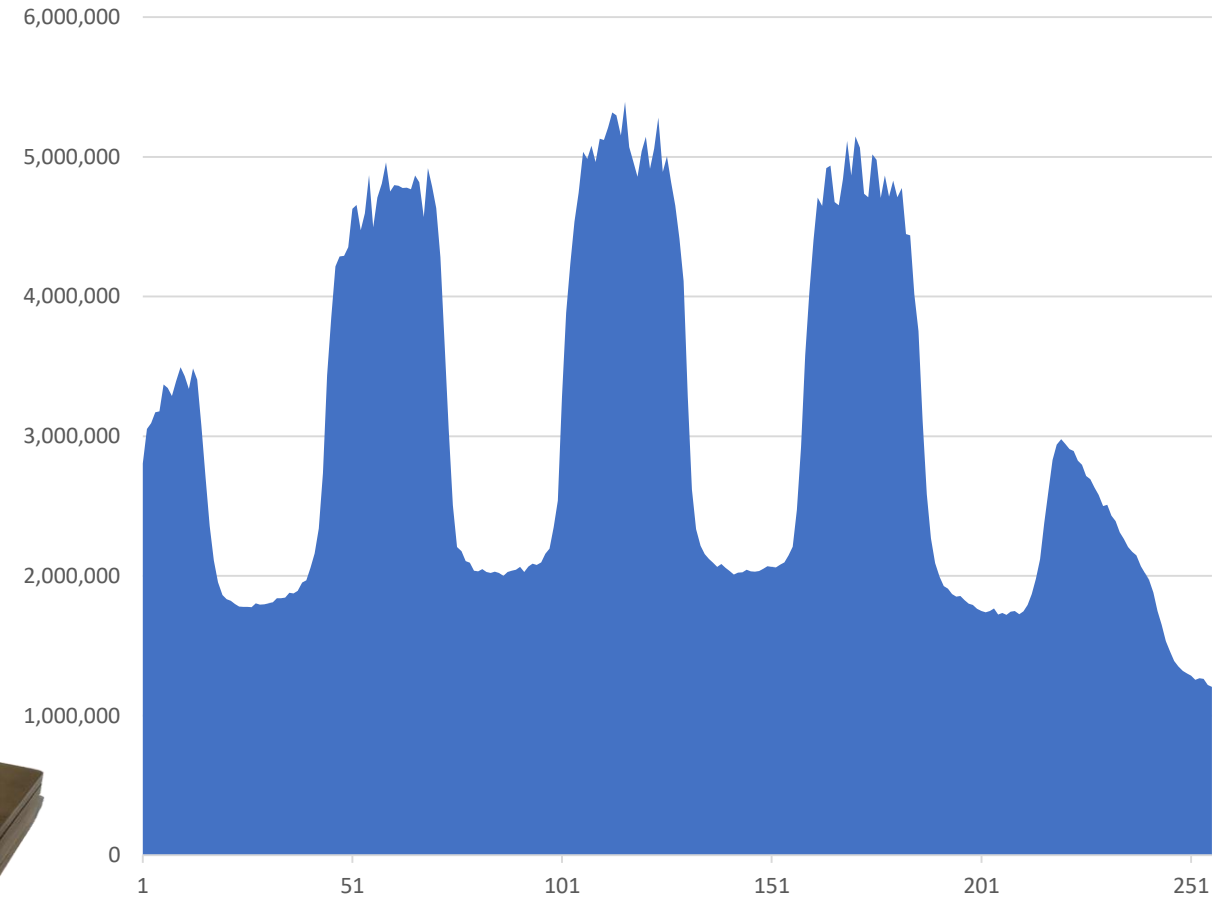


# Beam fractionated by brass matrix collimator

2D dimension distribution



1D dimension distribution



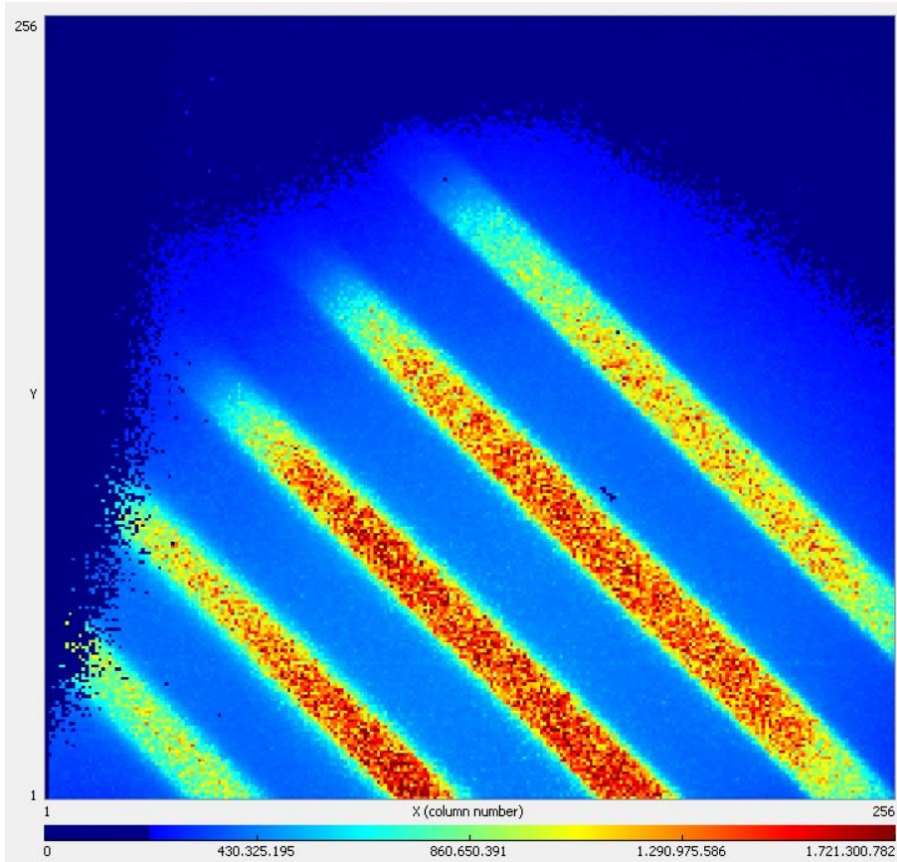
**Matrix collimators**

(holes of  $1.5 \times 1.5 \text{ mm}^2$  and c-t-c distance of 4 mm)

PVDR:  $\sim 2.5$

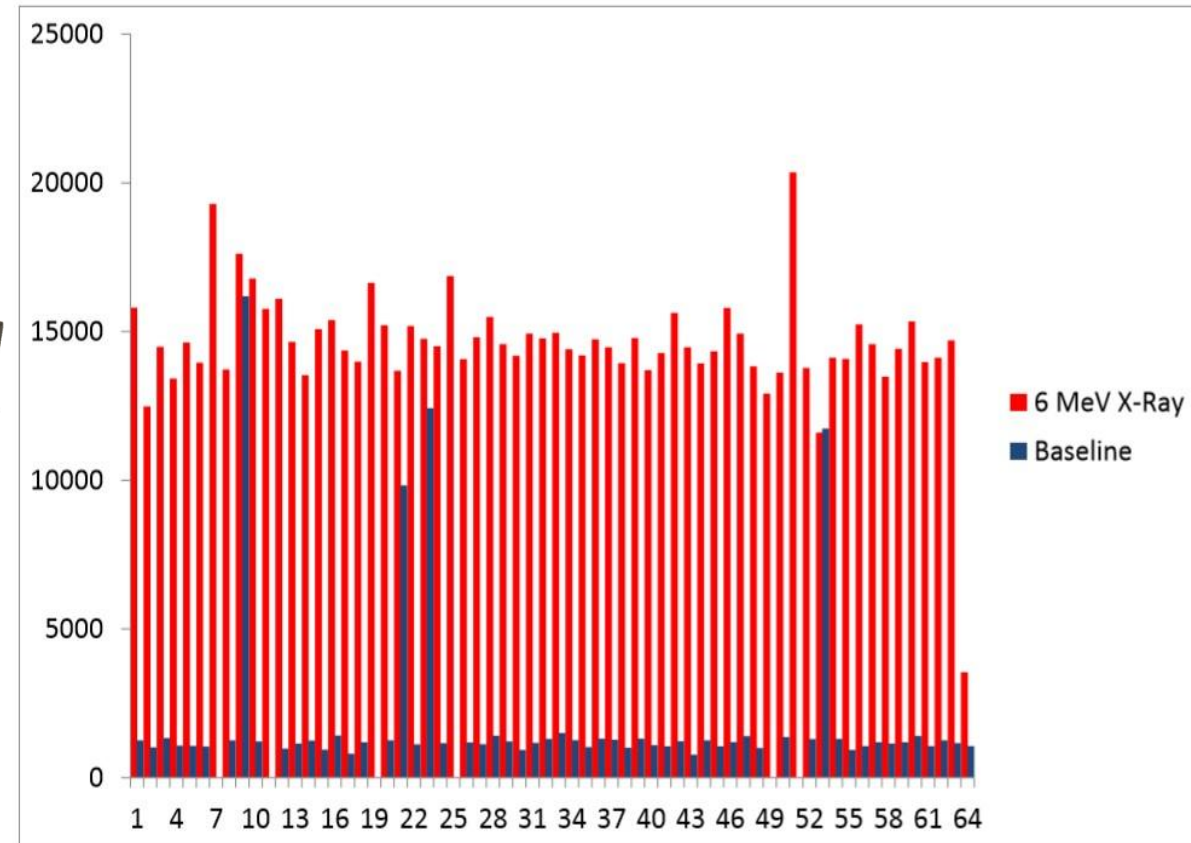
# Beam fractionated by brass slit collimator and MMD detector

2D dimension distribution



PVDR: ~3.5

1D dimension distribution measured by MMD detector



**Brass Slit Collimators**

(1.5 mm width, 2.5 mm c-t-c distance)



## Summary and Outlook.

- Matrix and slit collimators for such application were designed and produced
- The whole set of the equipment for shaping and imaging mini-beams has been tested with gamma rays at accelerator Clinac-2100 CD "VARIAN"
- Timepix detectors in a hybrid mode have demonstrated perfect performance for imaging minibeam in real time. Response of MMD was shown. Preliminary results were presented.
- It would be great to perform feasibility studies at CPO (Orsay) with 105 MeV protons in collaboration with LAL and CPO colleagues.
- It would be also nice to test shaping and monitoring equipment built at KINR at ALTO facility with 75 MeV electrons.

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# Backup slides

# Testing at the Clinac system

