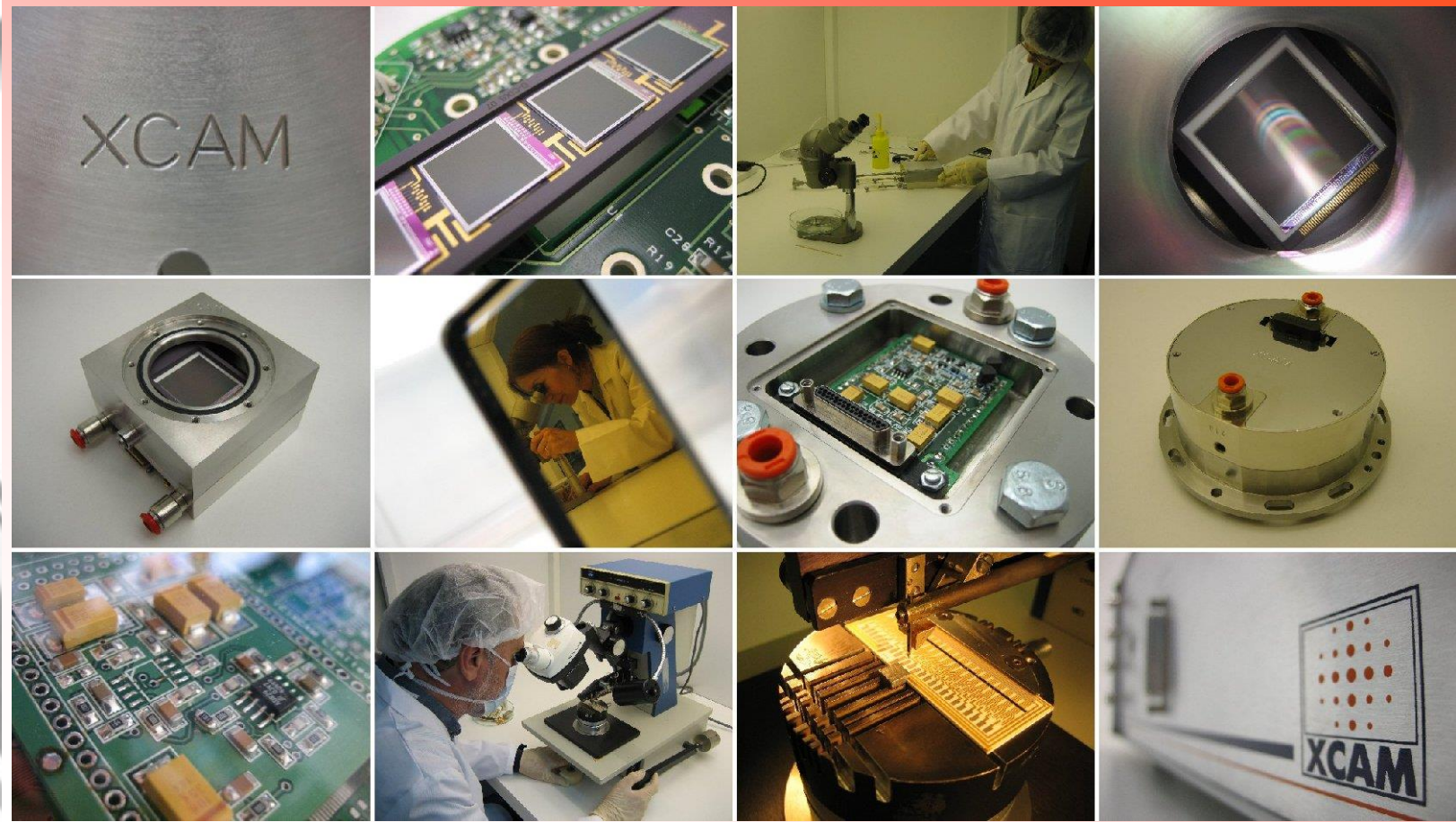




# High Resolution Camera for RIXS





# Summary of Topics

- XCAM background
- Facilities
- X-ray, EUV cameras for Imaging and Spectroscopy
- Photon Counting soft X-ray Spectroscopy
- RIXSCam





# Celebrating XCAM's 20<sup>th</sup> Year

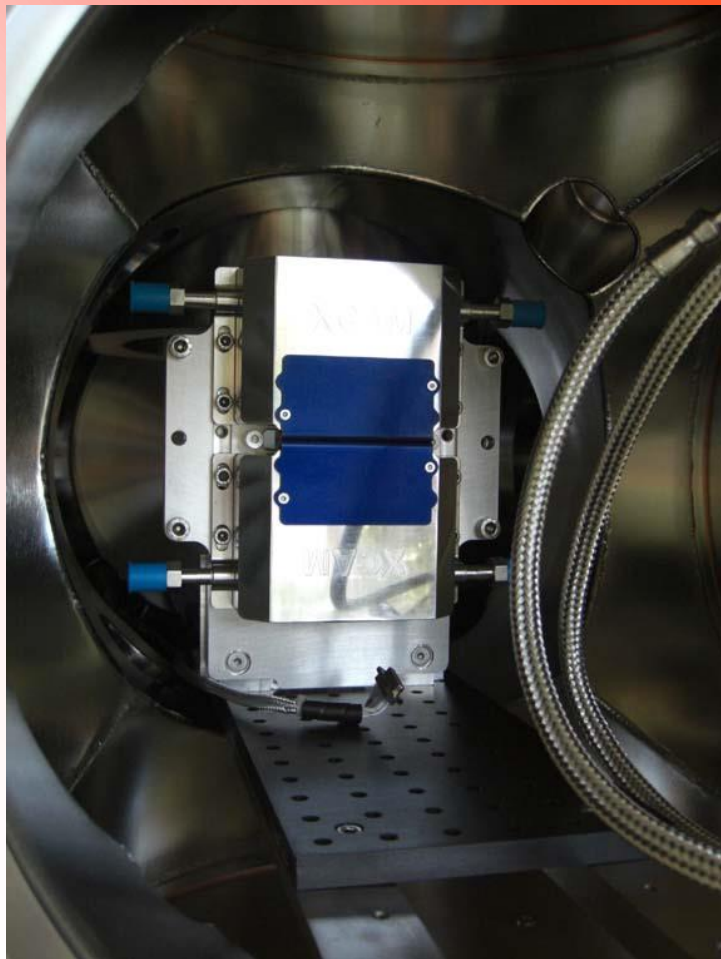
Moved to new 7000 sq. ft. factory in 2012

With two class 1000 cleanrooms, plus development and production labs

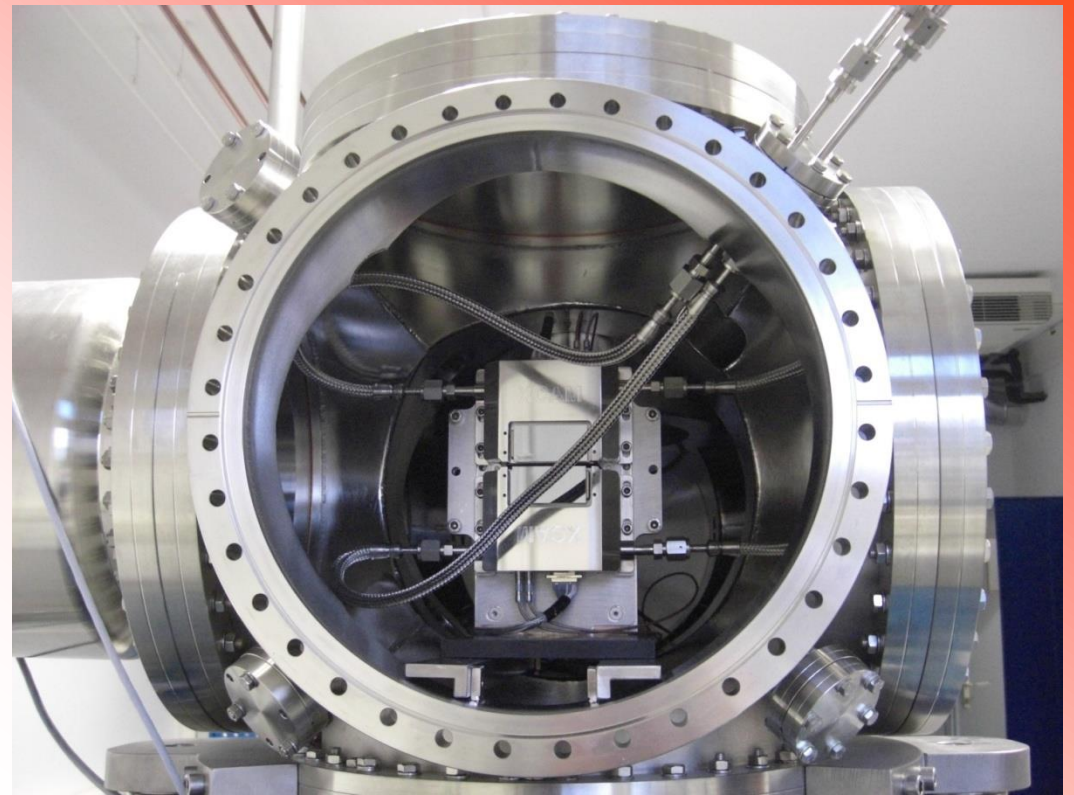




# Our DESY FLASH Camera system being commissioned

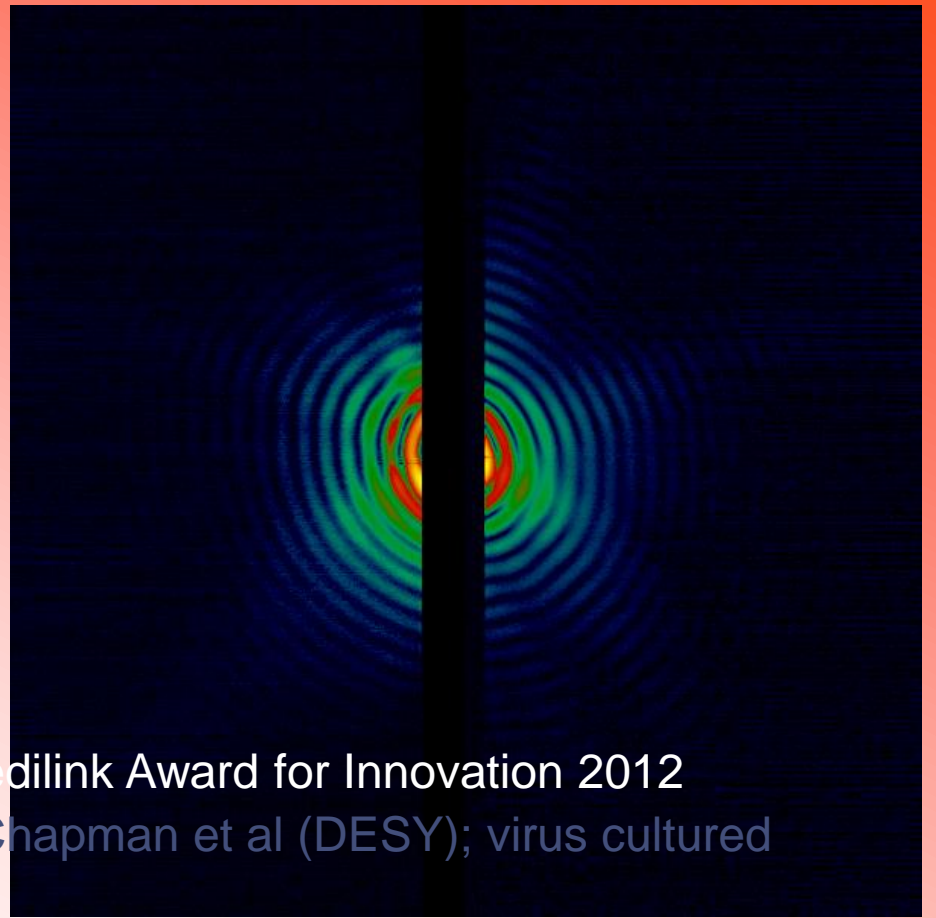
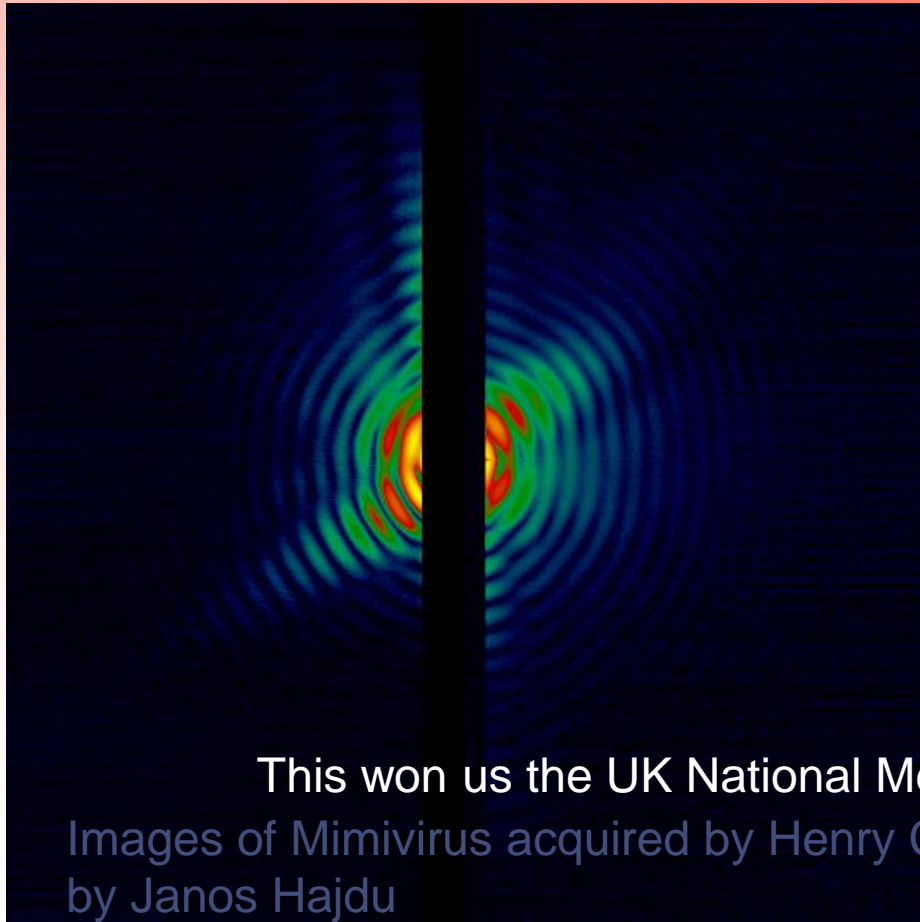


Dual Unit camera undergoing commissioning in vacuum chamber





# The world's First Diffraction Images of a Mimivirus, taken with our Camera, using the World's First X-ray Laser to Illuminate



This won us the UK National Medalink Award for Innovation 2012

Images of Mimivirus acquired by Henry Chapman et al (DESY); virus cultured by Janos Hajdu



# Super-Clean UCV Cameras for Use in Vacuum Systems at EUV Wavelengths

First industrial cameras supplied for UCV applications in 2010

With electrical interfaces/cabling

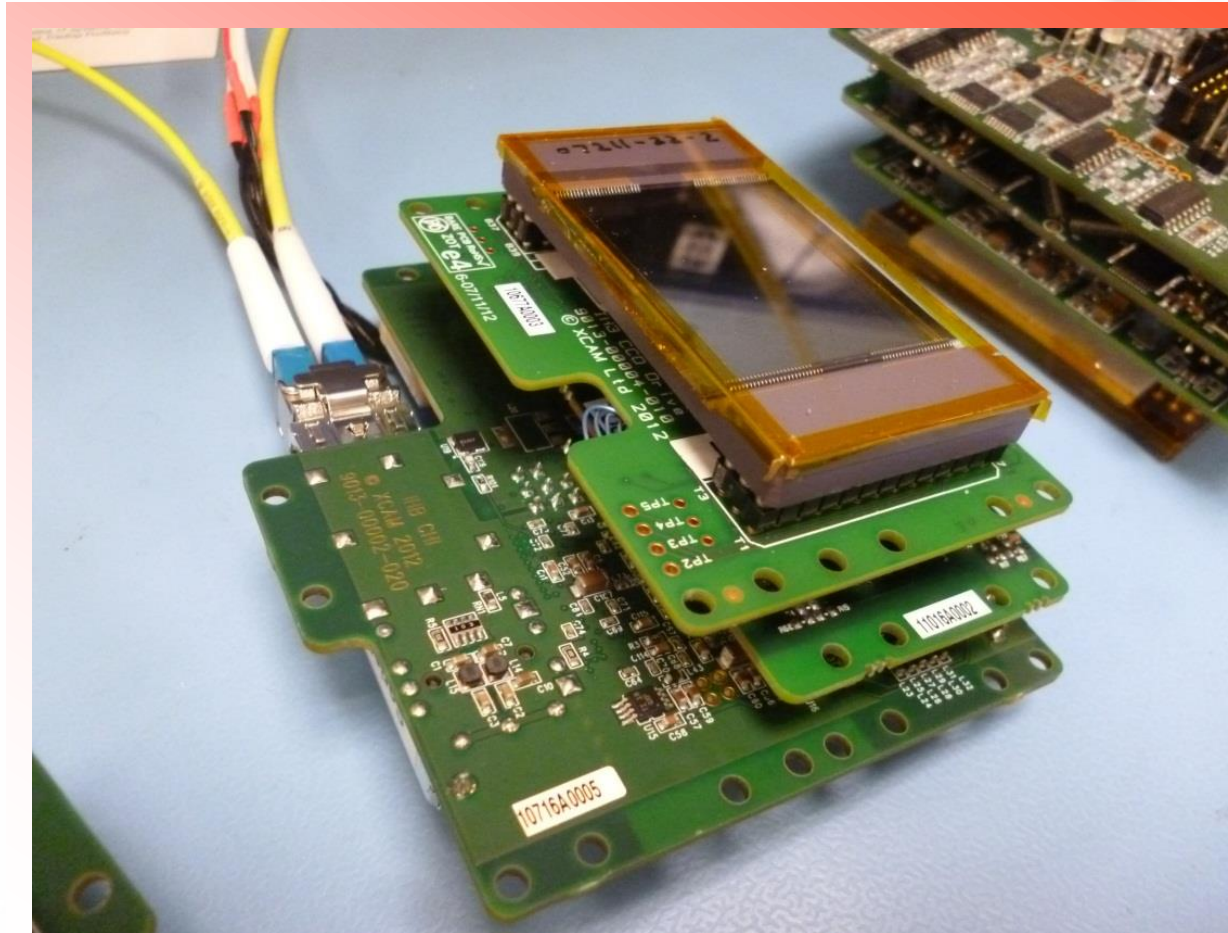
Now moved on and current vacuum cameras have super-clean fibre optic data transfer





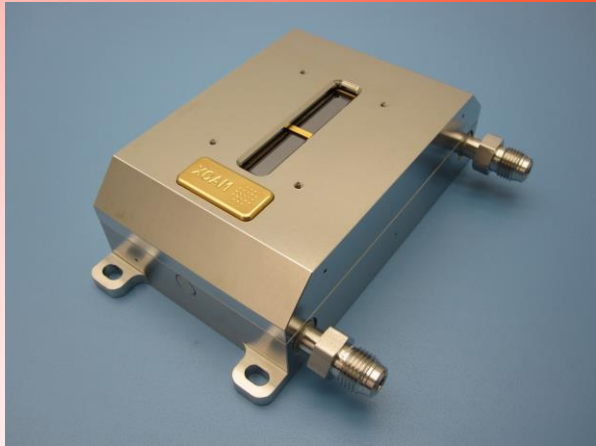
# Cameras for UCV with Ultra-Clean Fibre Optic Interfaces

Now  
produce  
fibre optic  
camera-link  
out for high  
noise  
immunity  
ultra-clean  
applications  
– often  
used inside  
fully  
vacuum  
immersive  
cameras





# Dual CCD4210 camera head for readout of X-ray Grating Images – University Iowa



Dual enhanced mode no AR coat CCD4210 built for IXO grating development at Iowa University, USA; used in tests at Iowa and Marshall.

This was a custom camera which we designed for Iowa University for their development of an IXO diffraction grating. It houses two no AR coat CCD4210 detectors in a single camera. It has been used in tests at Iowa University and Marshall.

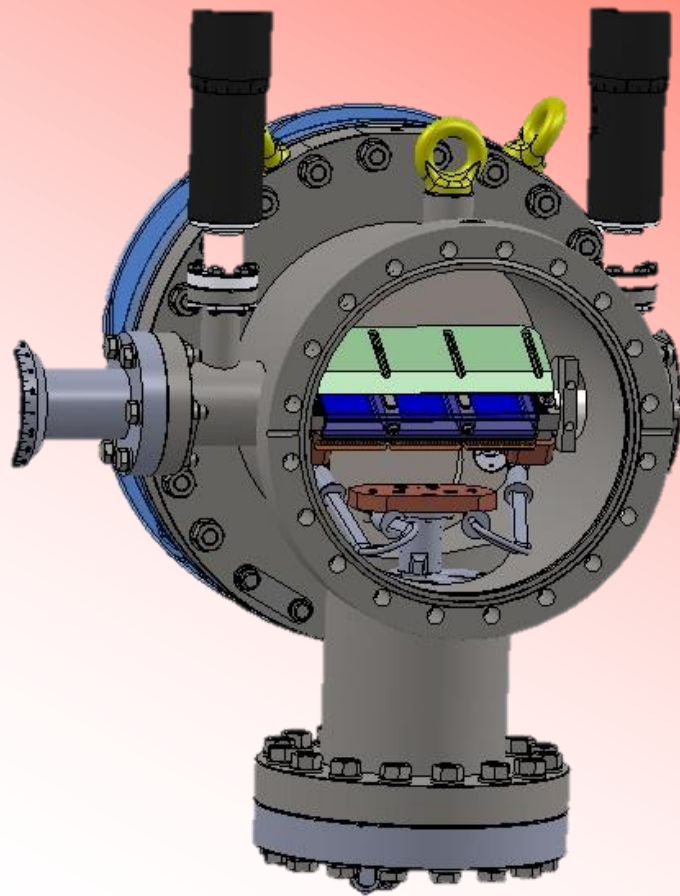


This customer returned, asking us to build a 4 x EMCCD (CCD207-40) camera for their sounding rocket experiment





# Multi-EM Fibre Optic CCD Cameras For Resonant Inelastic X-ray Scattering Experiments



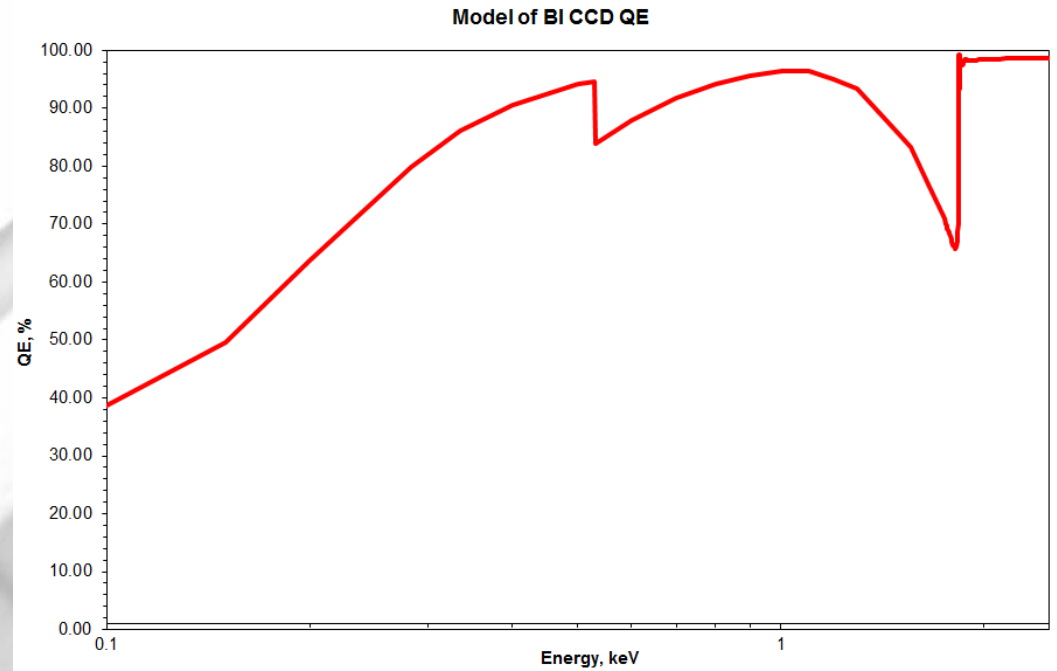
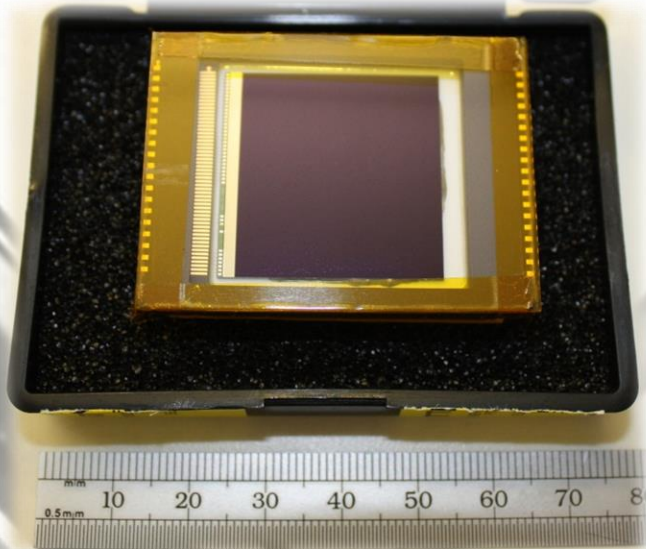
Custom camera design with 3 off CCD207-40 EMCCDs (26mm square EMCCD with 16 micron pixels).

- Large area for dispersed spectrum
- Sub-electron read noise for single photon detection
- Sub-pixel resolution – below 5 micron resolution using licensed algorithm which takes pixel edge effects into account
- Back-illuminated, no AR coating for excellent soft x-ray response
- Cryogenic cooling to below  $-70^{\circ}\text{C}$  for use in photon counting or integrating mode



# EM CCDs for X-ray Photon Counting

- The EM CCD can perform photon counting due to sub-electron e.n.c.
- Performance can be maintained at readout rates  $>10$  Mpix/s
- Back-illuminated architecture can allow single photon detection in the 100eV – 10 keV range

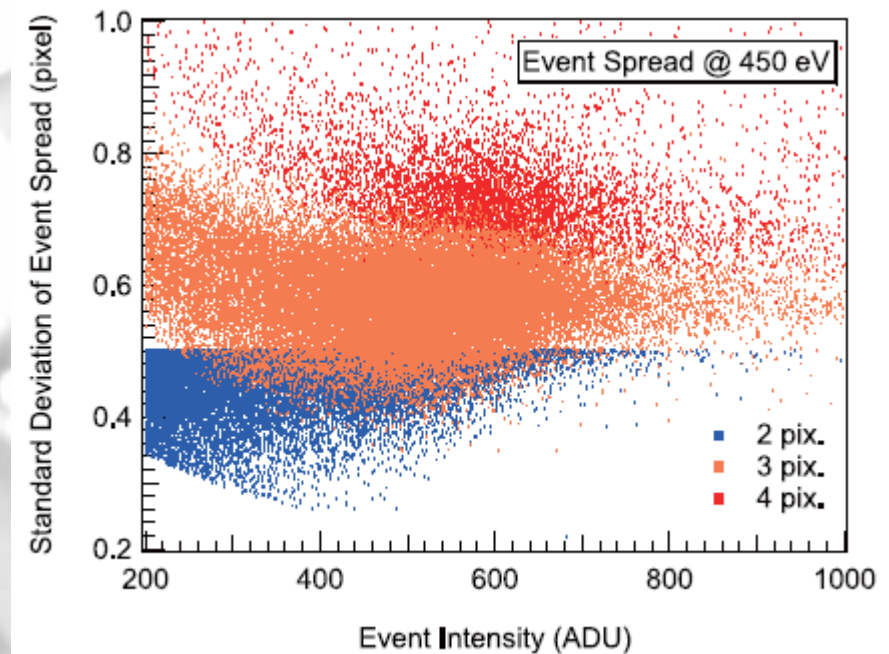
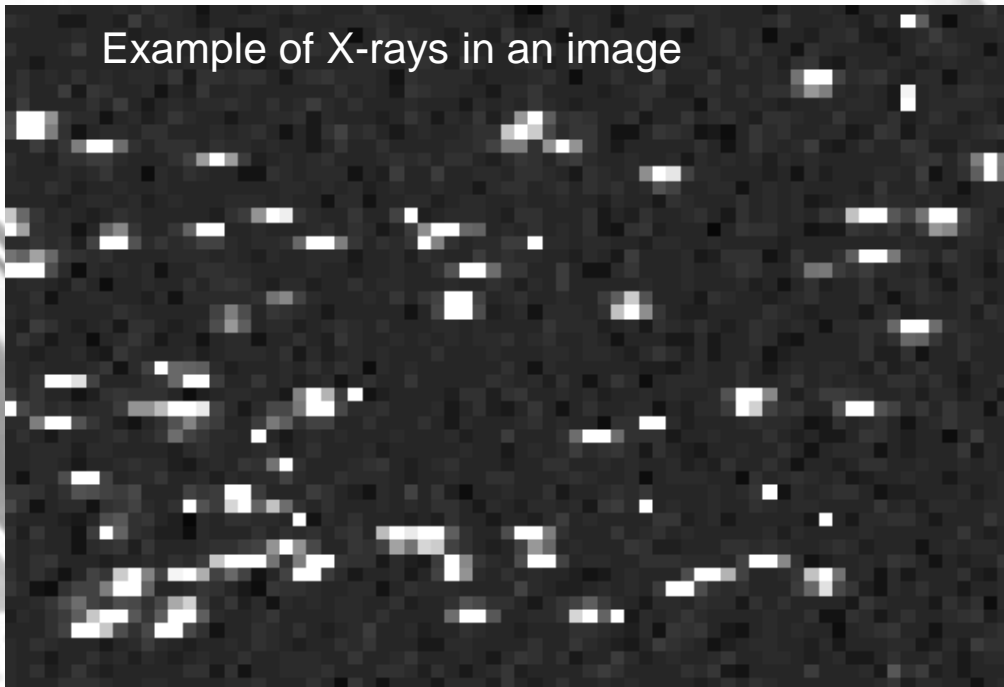




# Event Spreading in Photon Counting Mode

- X-ray events spread and are collected in several pixels
- On-chip binning can be used to UVSOR used 4x1 binning which increases the S/N for the centroiding
- UVSOR-II found a typical charge cloud radius of  $1\sigma = 9.6 \mu\text{m}$

Example of X-rays in an image

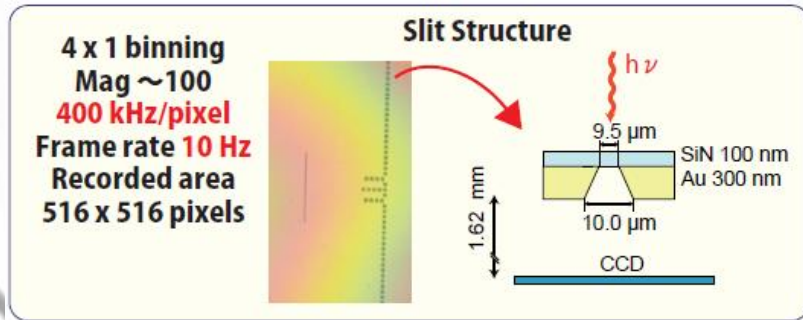




# Spatial Resolution – UVSOR-II

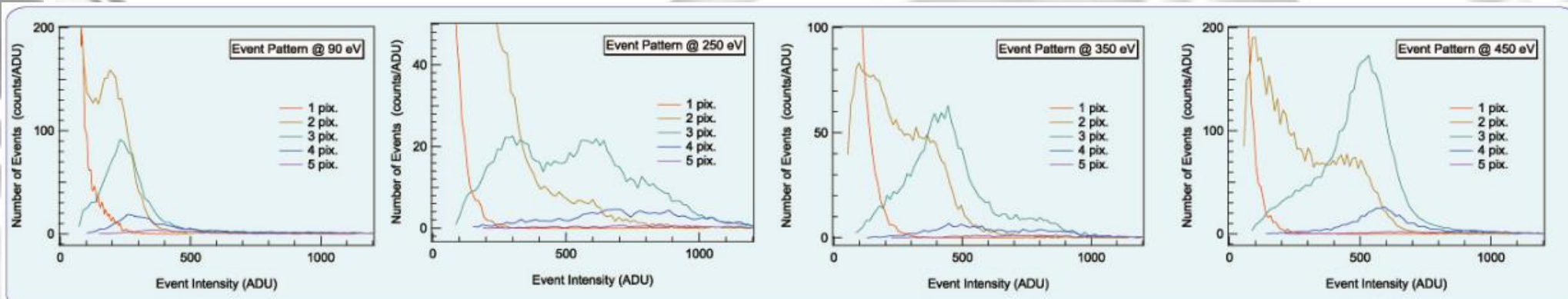
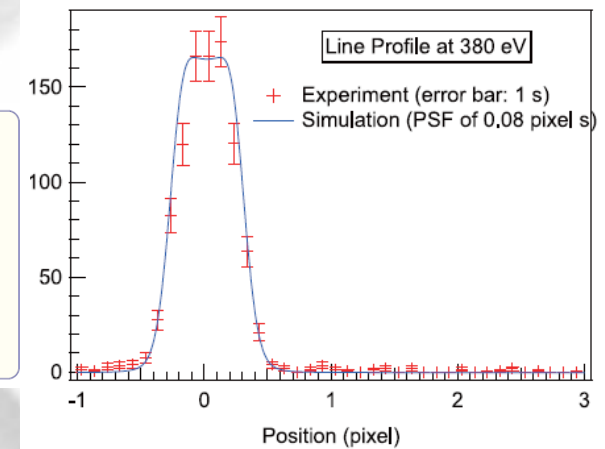
Initial results using an EM CCD for RIXS were developed by XCAM and UVSOR-II from 2006

Derived a FWHM spatial resolution of  $3.0 \mu\text{m}$  at 380 eV



Sub-pixel spatial resolution was successfully obtained by using electron multiplying CCD. By assuming Gaussian profile for the point-spread function (PSF) of the detector, the PSF was estimated to have

**Standard Deviation: 0.08 pixel ( $1.3 \mu\text{m}$ )**  
**FWHM: 0.19 pixel ( $3.0 \mu\text{m}$ )**



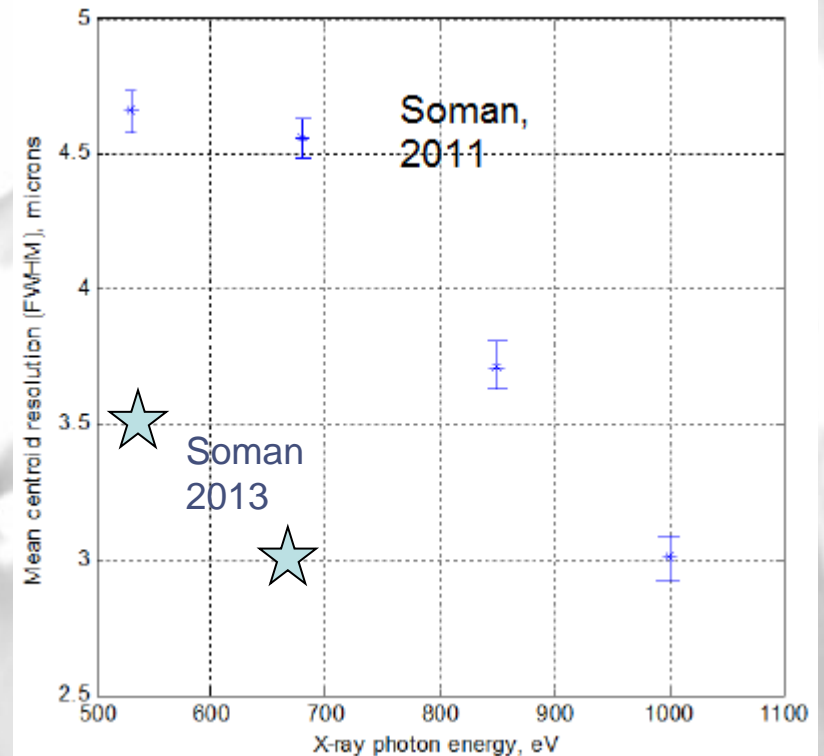


# Development of the Centroiding Technique for RIXS by PSI-OU

- A collaboration between PSI and the Open University between 2011-2014 looked at improved resolution for RIXS
- This exploratory work used XCAM camera electronics)
- Initial results from Soman gave FWHM vs energy in 2011 and were later improved by 2013 now achieving **down to 2  $\mu\text{m}$**
- The event centroiding technique has now been licenced to XCAM for development of their cameras for RIXS

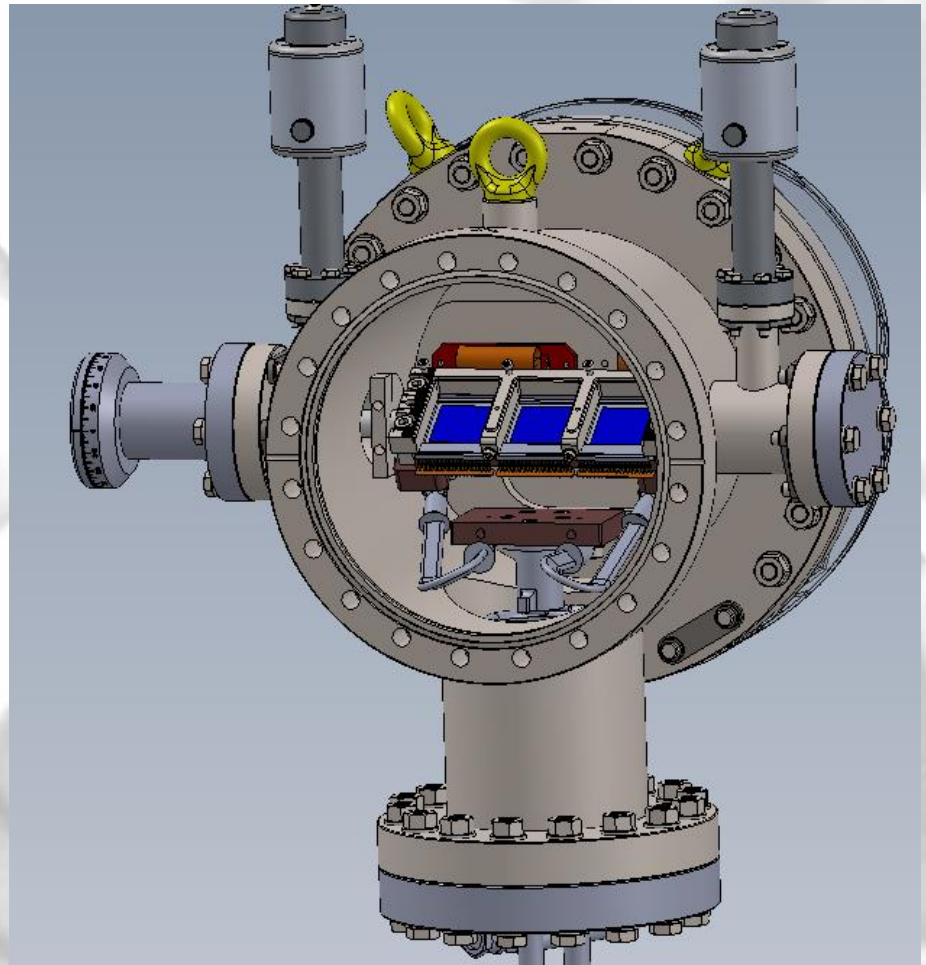
Table 7.2. Spatial resolution (FWHM) achieved with the corrected centre of gravity algorithm applied across a 3x3 pixel area, as measured by a Gaussian profile fit to the PSF for each energy data set and in each direction. Errors are less than 0.004  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Photon energy	850 eV	1000 eV
x direction, $\mu\text{m}$	2.15	2.09
y direction, $\mu\text{m}$	1.93	1.87



# RIXSCam using 3 large area EM CCDs

- XCAM is currently developing a new generation of cameras for RIXS
- The first will be a triple large area EM CCD207
- Intrinsic spatial resolution will be  $<5 \mu\text{m}$  in normal-incidence
- CCDs will be on a rotatable bench to enable alteration of gamma for improved resolution
- Camera will be constructed using UCV techniques compatible with ultra-clean vacuum systems





## Summary

- XCAM is now in its 20<sup>th</sup> year providing camera systems into scientific applications
- XCAM is now offering a range of cameras for RIXS applications
  - High detection efficiency in the 0.1-3 keV band
  - Operating in photon counting mode with event centroiding
  - Achieves a spatial FWHM of 3  $\mu\text{m}$  in normal incidence
  - Current frame rates of  $\sim 2$  Hz
- Systems will be operational at PSI, BNL during 2015-2016
- Future systems may adopt new deep-depleted, back illuminated monolithic CMOS sensors, and systems are keeping abreast of sensor developments