

Development and application of Scintillating Glass-GEM detector

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Summary of this work

1. Using "Glass GEM" instead of "GEM"



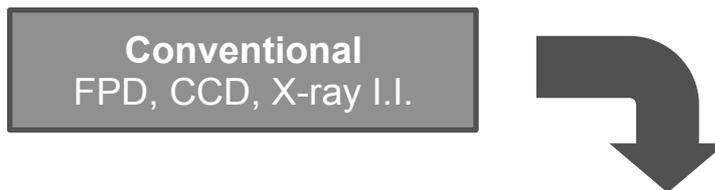
2. Using the scintillation gas



3. Changing the readout method

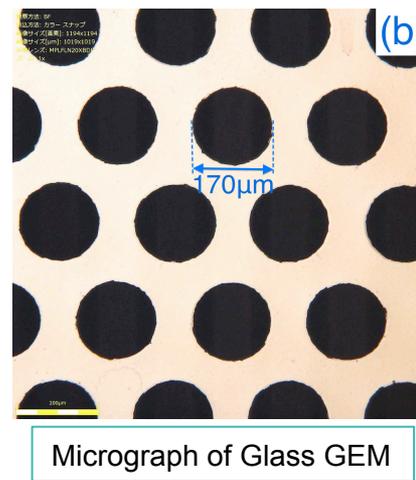
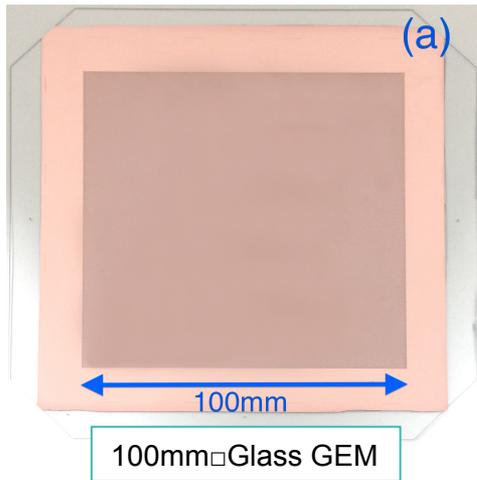


4. Develop a new imaging device

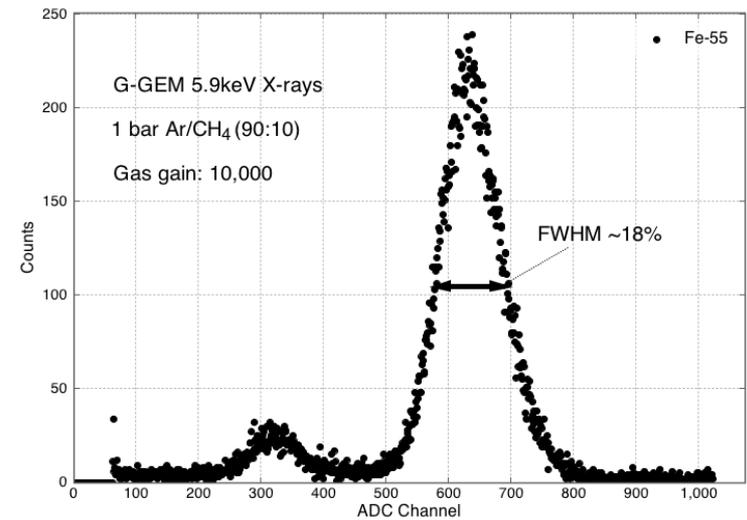


**New digital imaging device based on gaseous detector
"Scintillating Glass GEM"**

The Glass GEM



- ▶ We fabricated a Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM)^[1] with “glass substrate” (Glass GEM)^[2]
- ▶ Photo etchable glass process (PEG3 by HOYA Corp.)^[3]
- ▶ Self support structure (easy to handle)
- ▶ No outgas from the substrate
- ▶ Direct etching fabricating Process
 - ▷ Good uniformity
 - ▷ Cylindrical Hole
 - ▷ High gain



5.9keV Energy spectrum obtained with Glass GEM
Energy resolution was 18% (FWHM) with uniform irradiation (gas gain = 1×10^4)^[3]

[1] F. Sauli, NIM A, vol. 386, no. 2, pp. 531–534, Feb. 1997.

[2] H. Takahashi, T. Fujiwara, et al., NIM A, vol. 724, pp. 1–4, Oct. 2013.

[3] T. Fujiwara, et al., JINST, vol. 9, pp. 11007 - 11007, Nov. 2014

Fabricating Process of Glass GEM (PEG3)^[4]

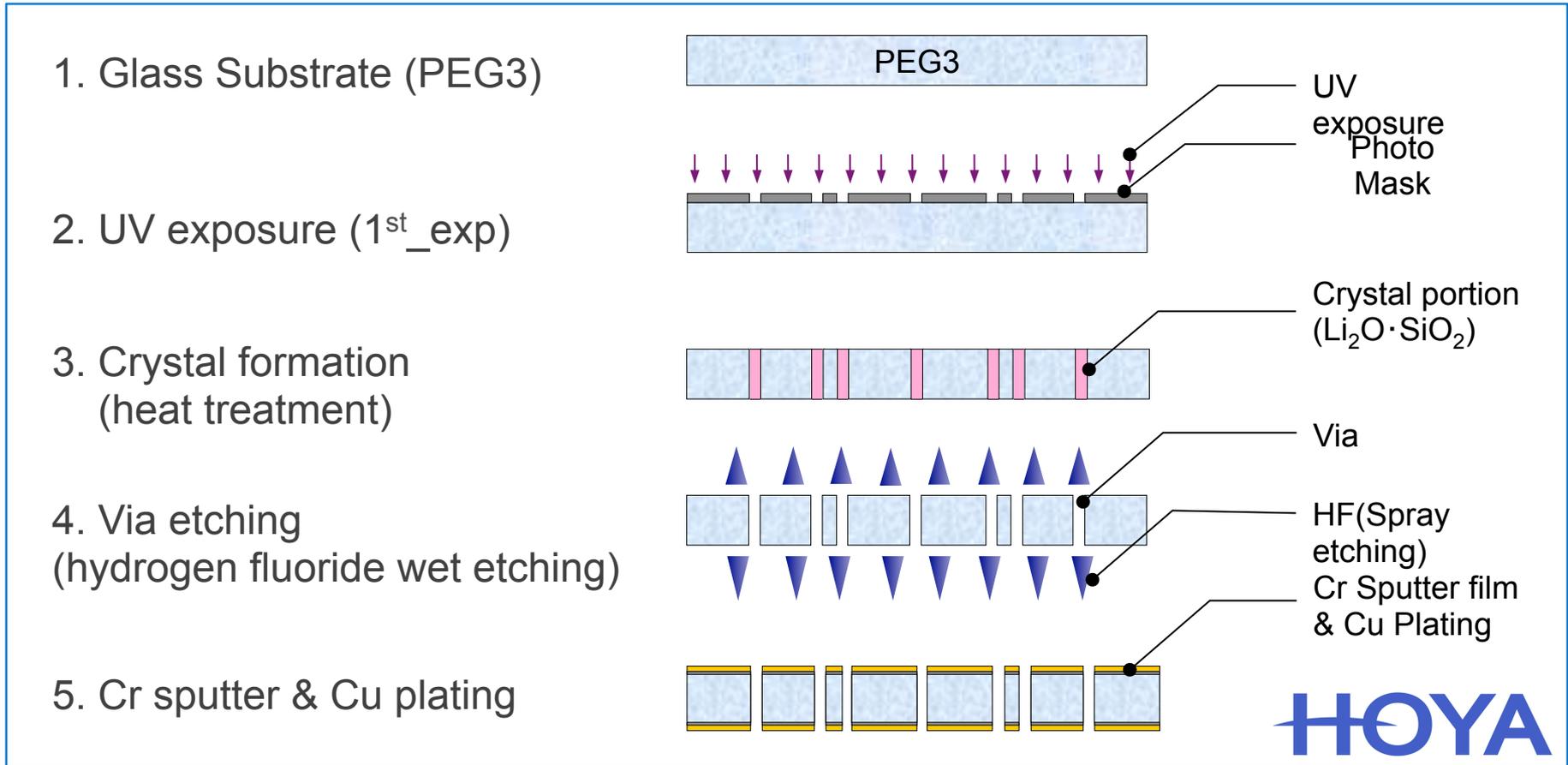
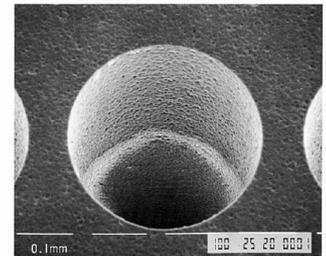
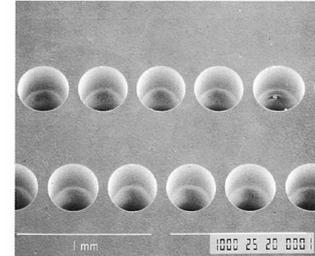
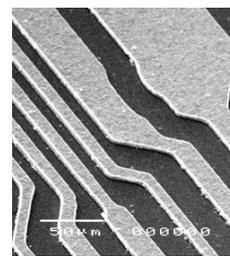


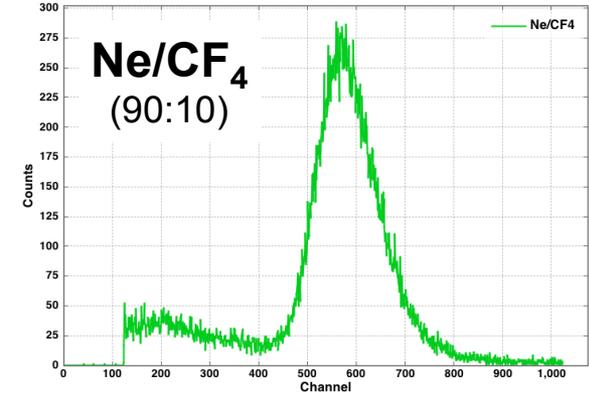
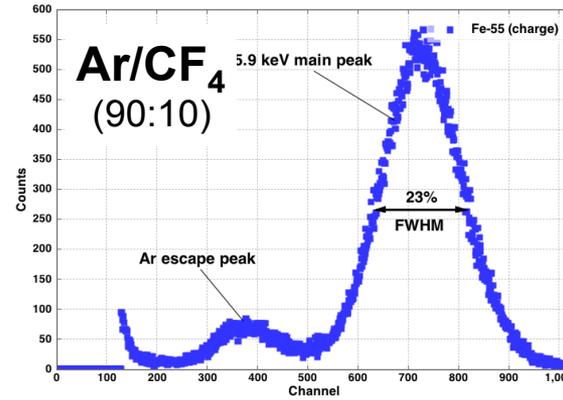
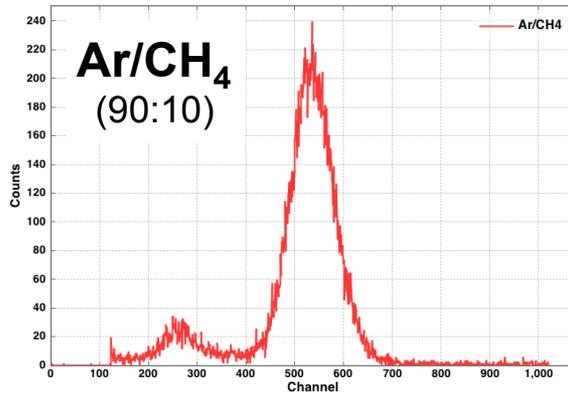
PHOTO ETCHABLE GLASS 3 : PEG3

- ▶ Promising technique for precise patterning
- ▶ Able to drill high aspect hole
- ▶ 680 μm deep hole (ex. CERN GEM: 50 μm)

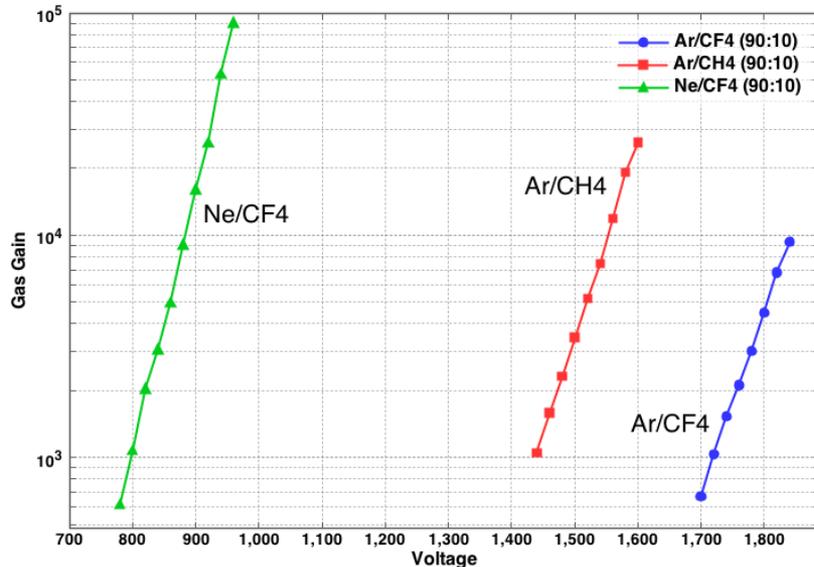


[4] <http://www.hoyaoptics.com/gcb/index.htm>

Energy spectrum & gain curve in various gas (^{55}Fe 5.9 keV)^[5]



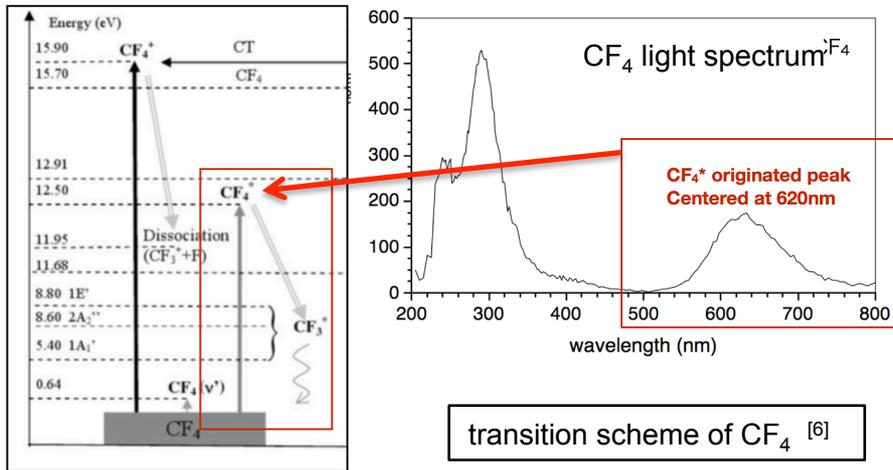
5.9 keV X-ray energy spectrum taken with Glass GEM



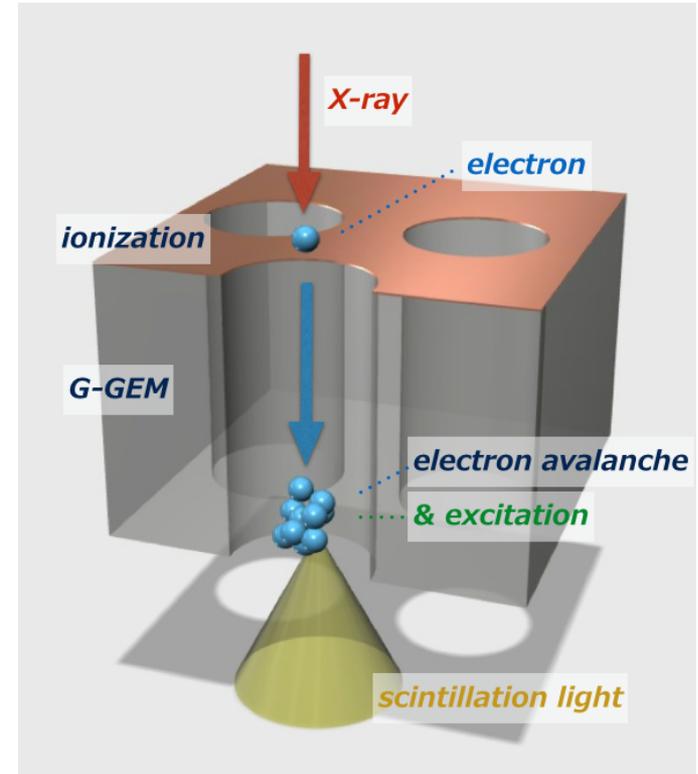
Gain curve of single Glass GEM

- ▶ Succeed in operating Glass GEM in various gas mixtures
- ▶ Effective size: 100 * 100mm²
- ▶ **High gain with a single Glass GEM**
 - ▷ Gas gain : 3×10^4 @Ar/CH₄ (90:10, 1bar)
 - ▷ Gas gain : 1×10^4 @Ar/CF₄ (90:10, 1bar)
 - ▷ Gas gain : 9×10^4 @Ne/CF₄ (90:10, 1bar)
- ▶ Energy resolution: 18% to 23%

Scintillation gas with Glass GEM

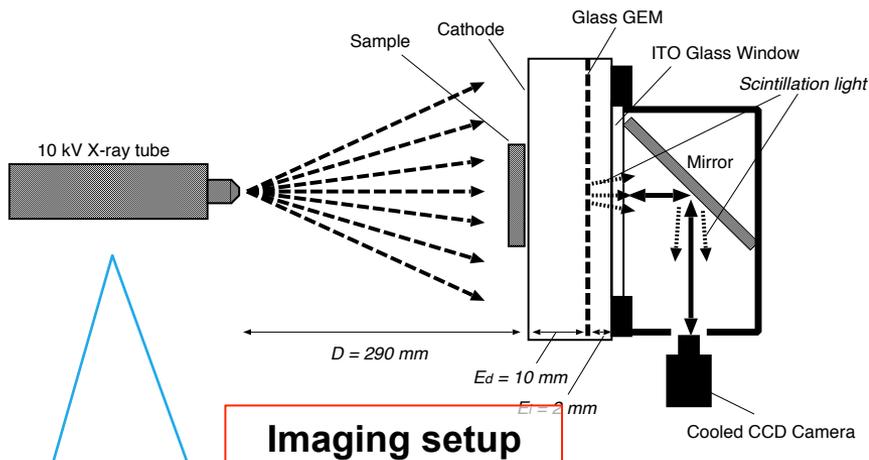


- CF₄ molecules are excited with electron avalanche
- During the process CF₄* → CF₃*
- Scintillation light is emitted
- emits UV and 620nm peak centered visible photons

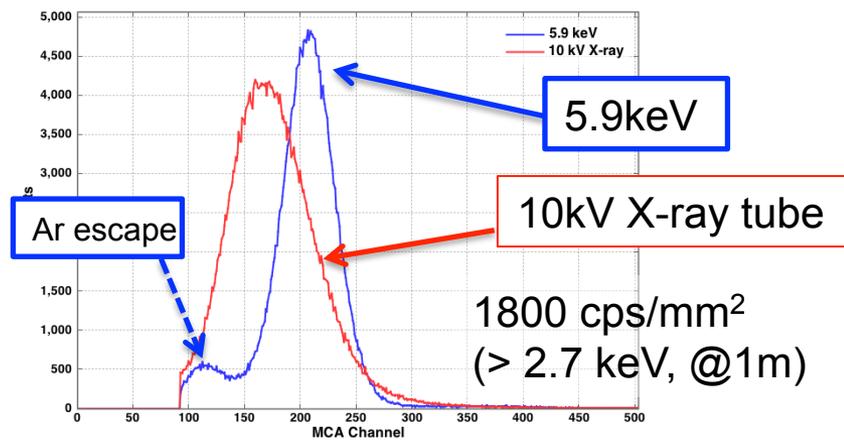


- ▶ CF₄ is known as a good scintillation gas [6] and more (Fraga etc.)
- ▶ Large amount of scintillation photons would be produced during Glass GEM's high gain avalanche process
- ▶ Develop a radiation imager with scintillation gas × Glass GEM
- ▶ Use optical readout instead of charge

Imaging setup & result



X-ray generator's energy spectrum

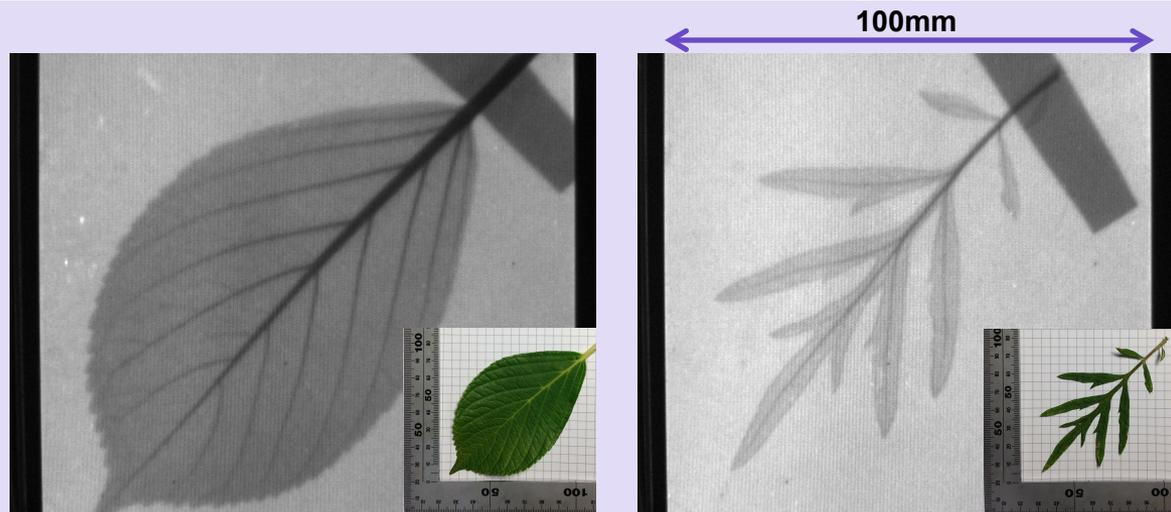


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X-ray tube



Amptek Co. Mini-X
(Max. 4W)



Obtained image of leaves (2 sec integration time)^[10]

Excellent spatial resolution $\approx 500\mu\text{m}$
Quick imaging of low Z material with low energy X-rays ($\approx 7\text{ keV}$)

[9] www.amptek.com

[10] [I. Fujiwara](#), et al., *Review on Scientific Instruments* (Submit

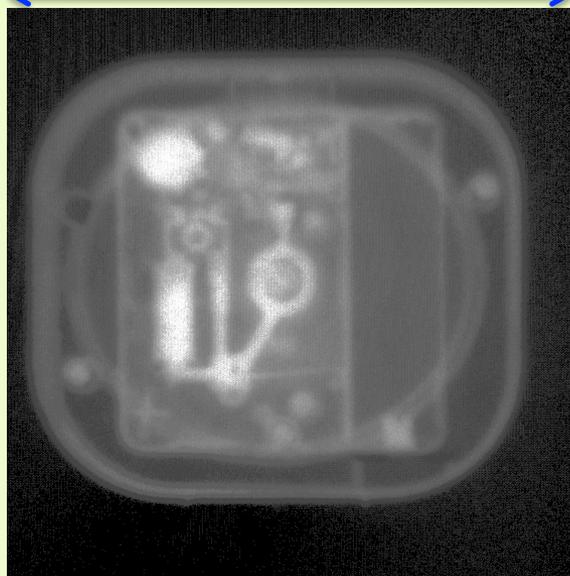
Application

Non-destructive inspection



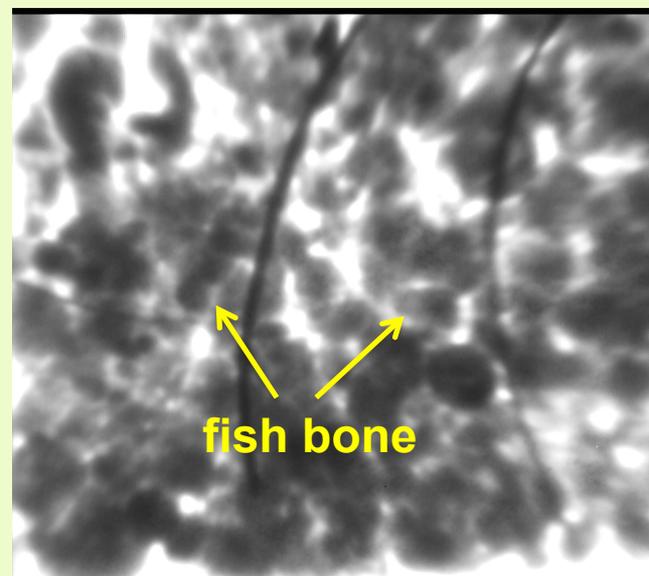
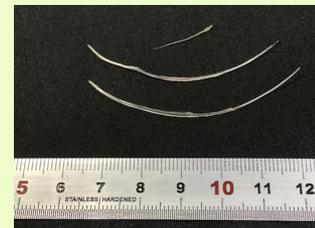
clock@30kV

10cm



X-ray transmission image of a clock

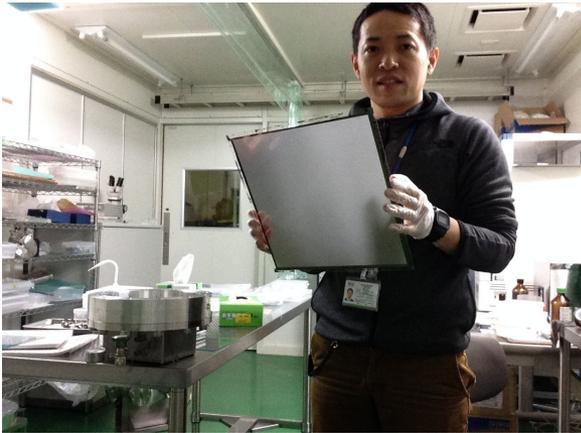
Food inspection



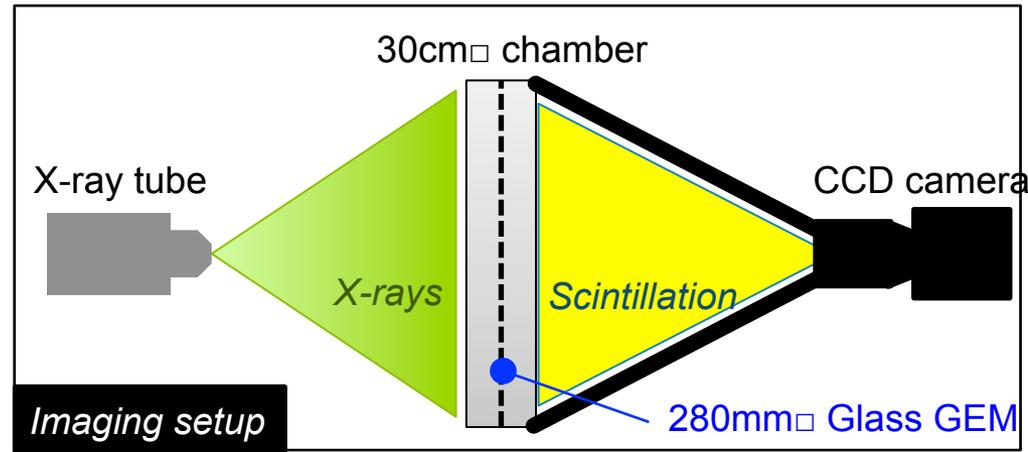
Inspecting fish bones

Large area: 280mm \square Glass GEM

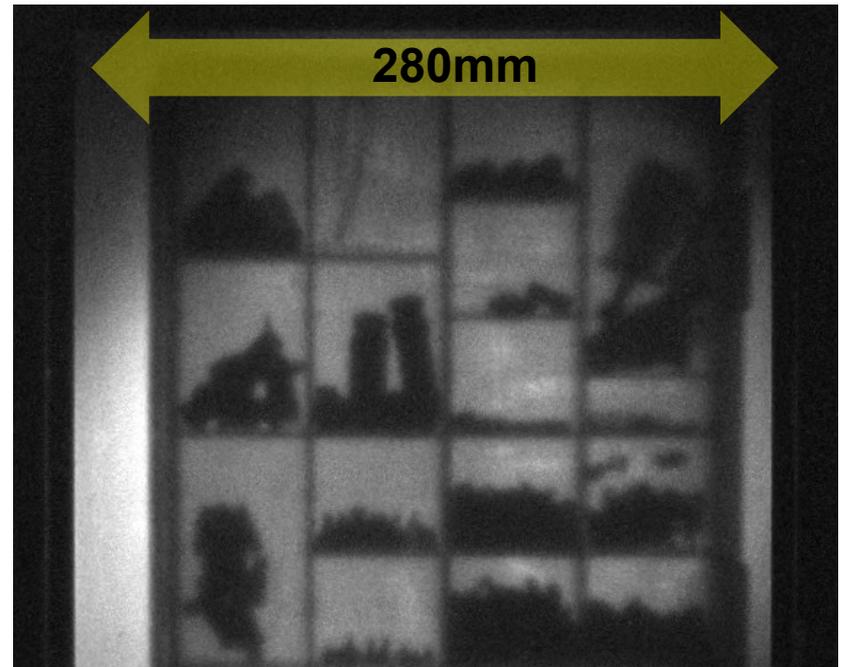
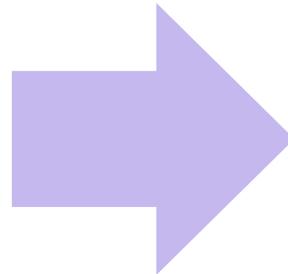
preliminary



300mm \square Glass GEM (1,154,423 holes)



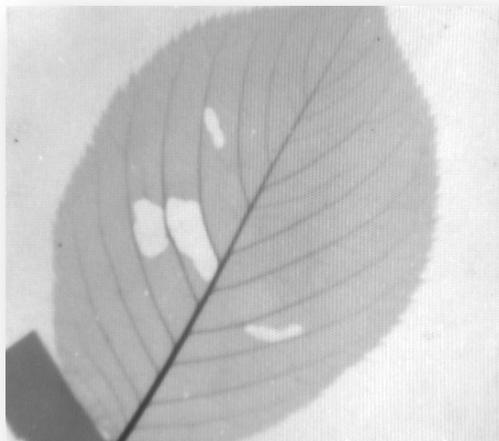
Toolbox



X-ray transmission image of a toolbox

Summary

- ▶ 100mm \square digital X-ray imager has been successfully developed with Glass GEM
- ▶ High gain and charge-up free enables rapid X-ray imaging
- ▶ Optical camera is a powerful readout method
- ▶ 500,000 photons (per 5.9 keV) were produced with Glass GEM (gas gain: 9,000)
- ▶ X-ray imaging and X-ray CT are performed with **“Scintillating Glass GEM”**
- ▶ 280mm \square Glass GEM imager is now being developed
- ▶ The method can also be used for detecting protons, carbon ion beam, and neutrons



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