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# Status and Analysis System of Directional Dark Matter Search with Nuclear Emulsion

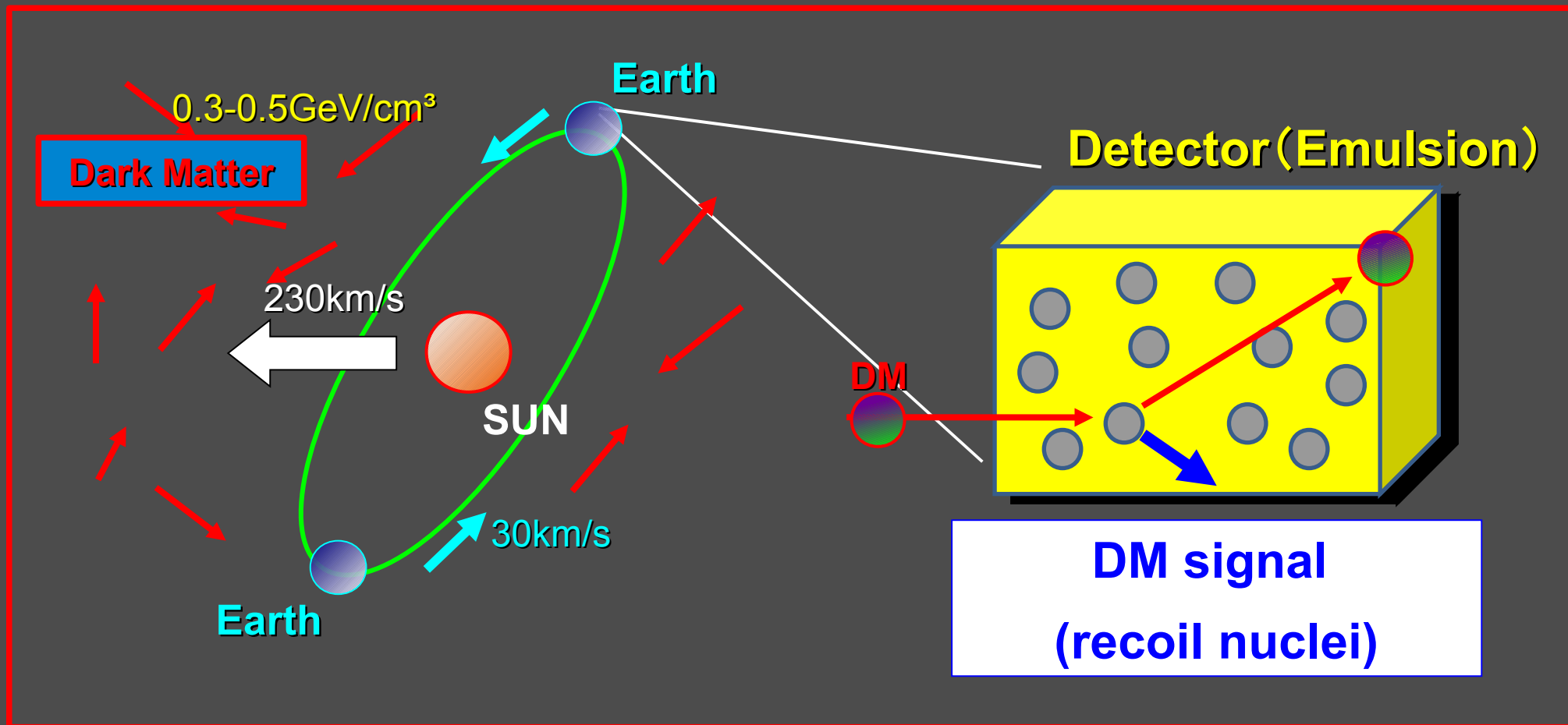
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# *Outline of the talk*

- Introduction
- Detector (Nuclear emulsion)
- Analysis system
  
- Facility for test run
- Near future plan
- Summary
  - Collaborator

# Directional Dark Matter Search with **Emulsion**



-Emulsion detector don't have time resolution.



-We control direction to Cygnus by using the equatorial telescope

***Detector***  
***(Emulsion)***

# What is Nuclear Emulsion?



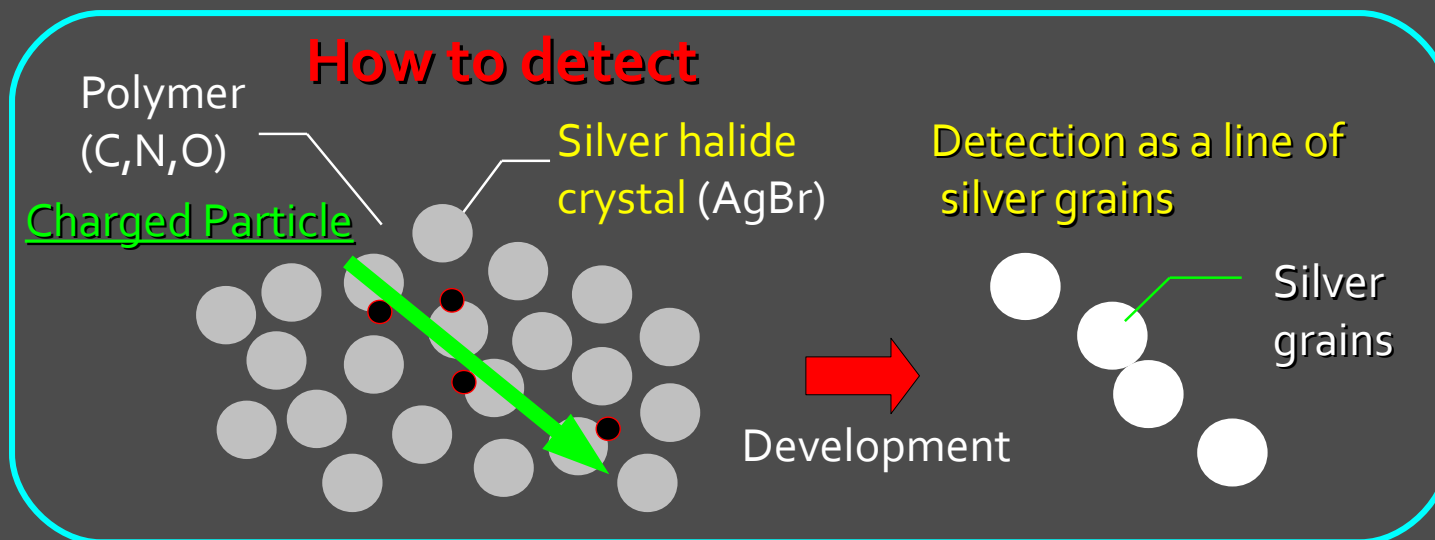
50 $\mu$ m

- Nuclear Emulsion is a kind of photographic film, and 3D tracking detector for charged particle.

- Advantages

- solid detector (3g/cc)
- high spatial resolution
- Low cost (150,000yen/kg)

= 1,500 USD = 1,150 EUR

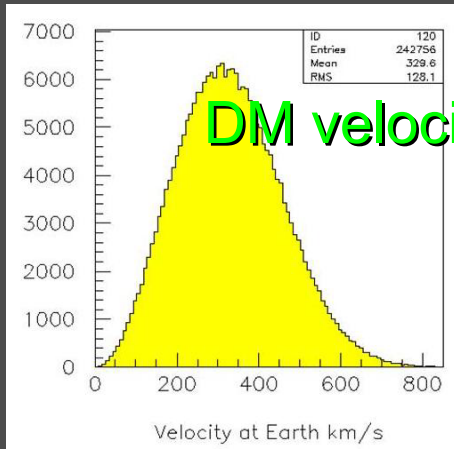


### Case of DM search

Target Nuclei is...

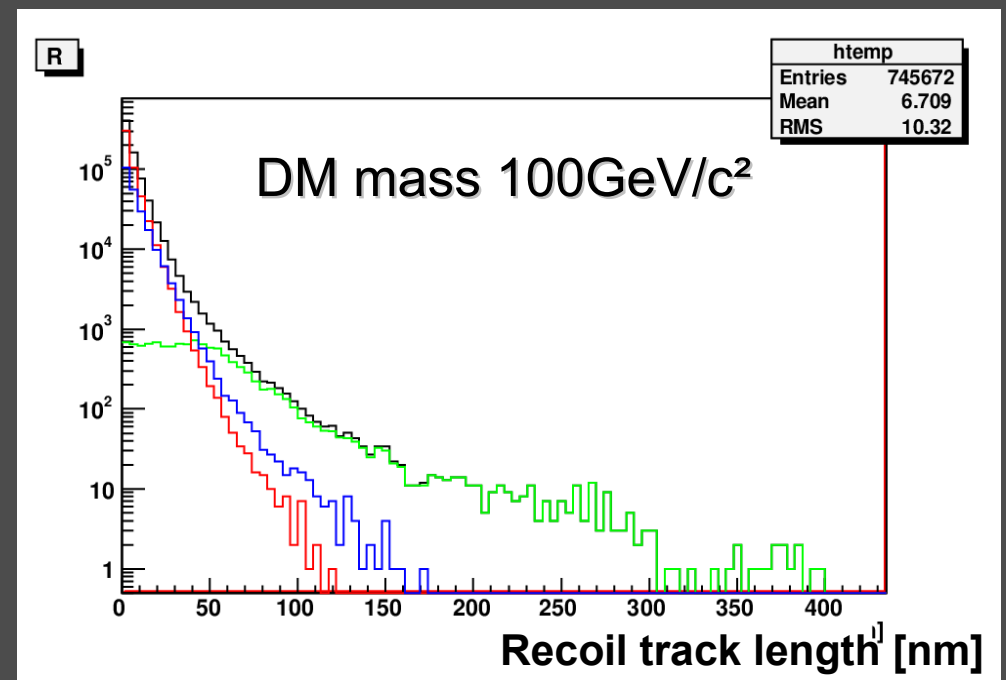
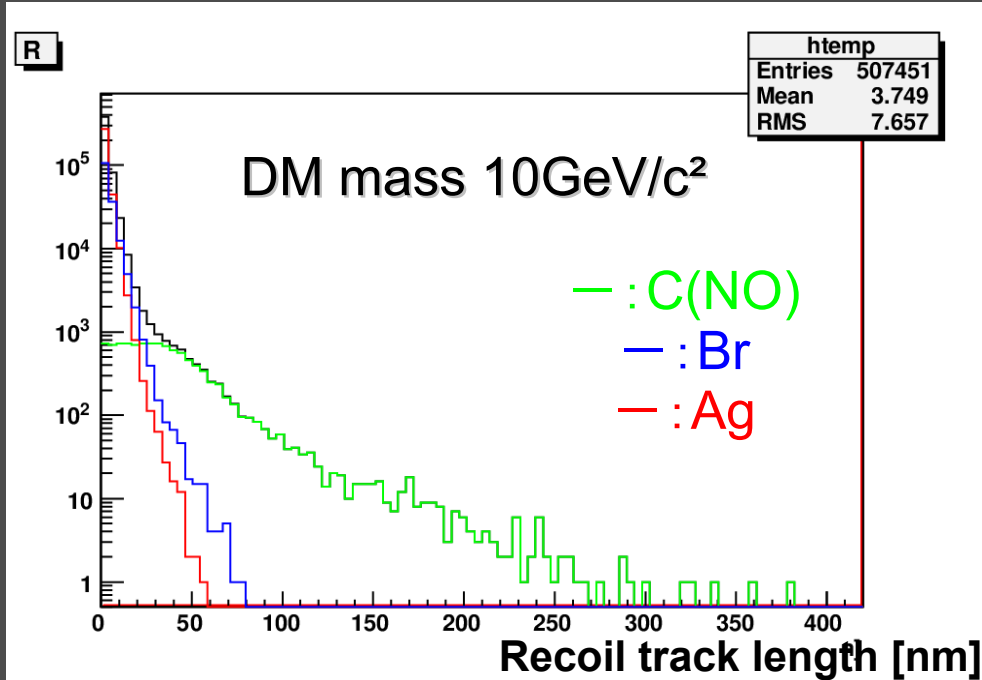
- Ag(46%)
- Br(34%)
- C(N,O)(19%)  
(Mass ratio)

# Track length in Nuclear Emulsion



DM velocity distribution

If assuming a Maxwell distribution



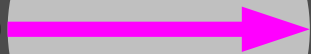
It is necessary to detect the  $<400\text{nm}$  tracks

# Emulsion Detector for DM search

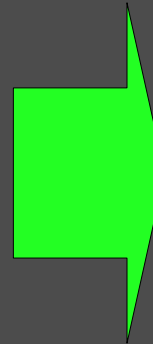
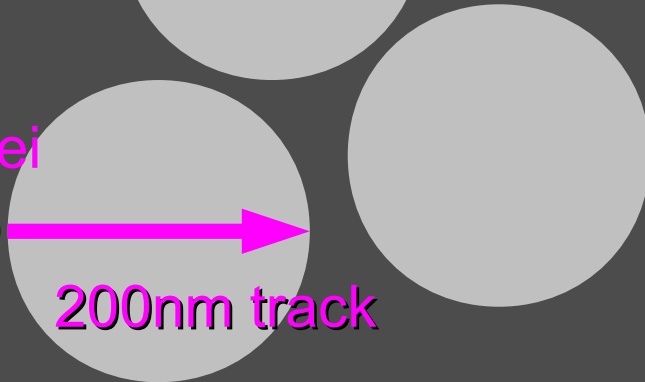
## Normal type

Crystal size: 200nm Silver halide crystal

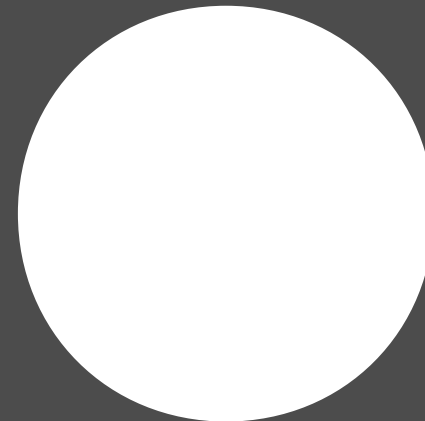
Recoil nuclei



200nm track



1 silver grain



It has been used in the OPERA experiment

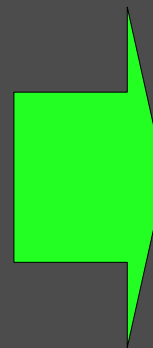
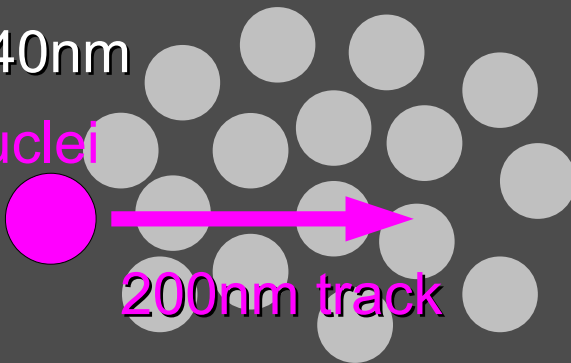
## Fine grain type ( for DM search )

Crystal size: ~40nm

Recoil nuclei



200nm track



2 or more grains



These have direction information

# Emulsion Production

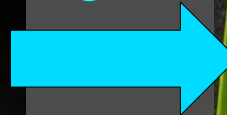


- Self production and R&D in Nagoya University, Japan from Apr 2010

Production ability :  
~1kg Emulsion / week

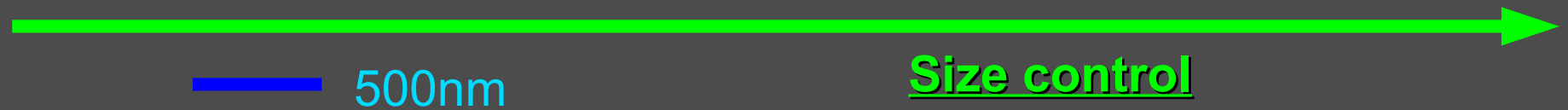
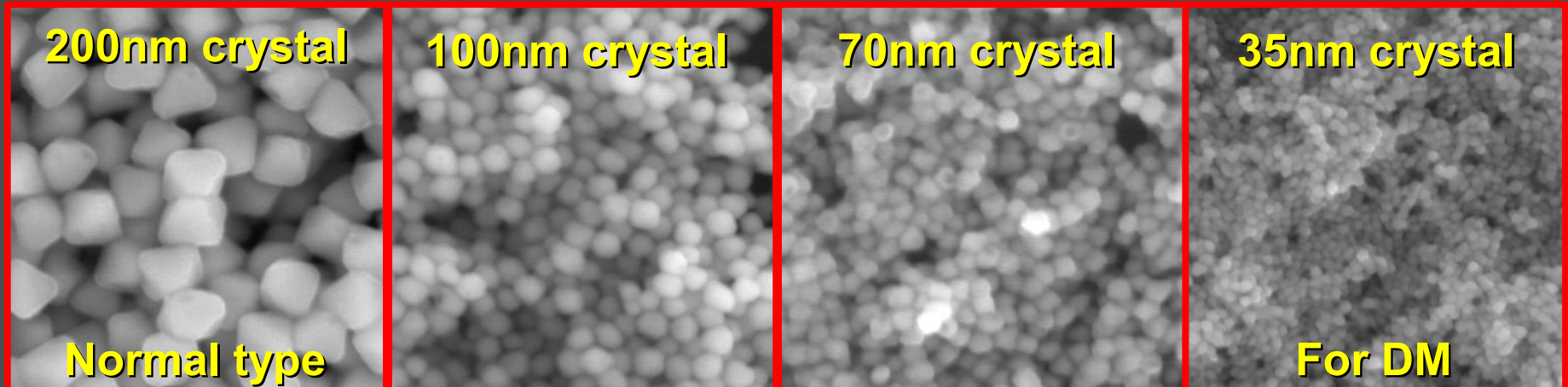
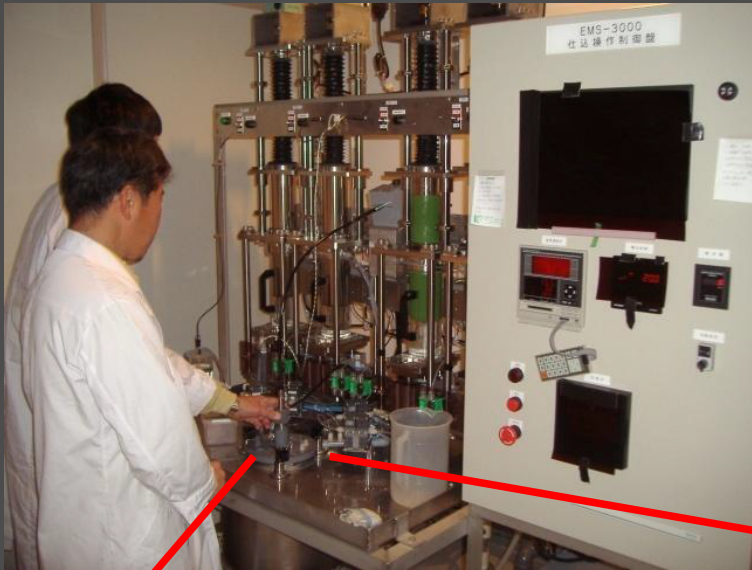


Pouring on base

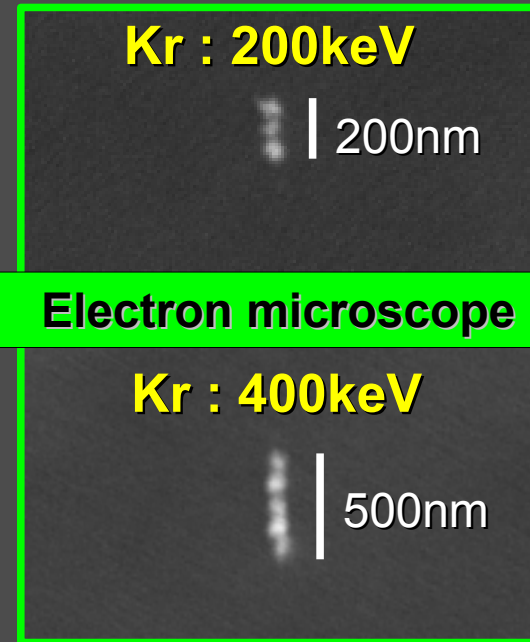




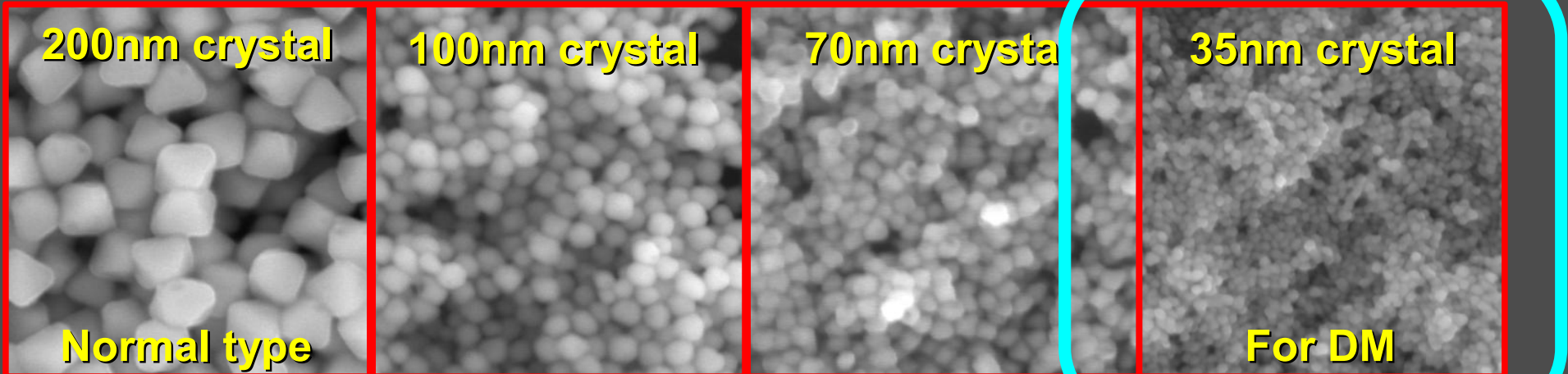
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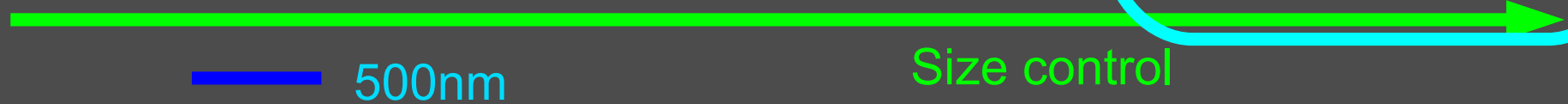
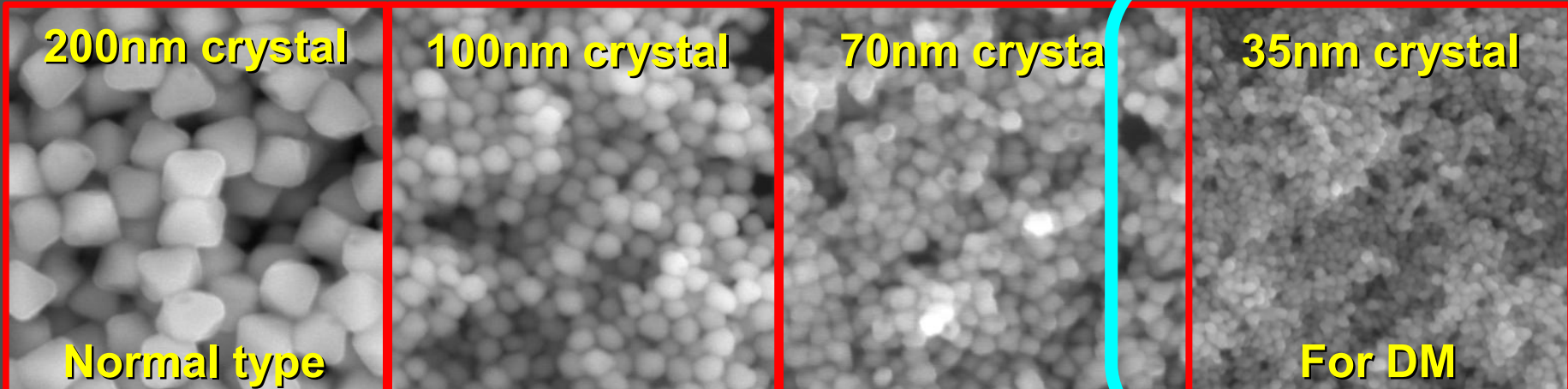
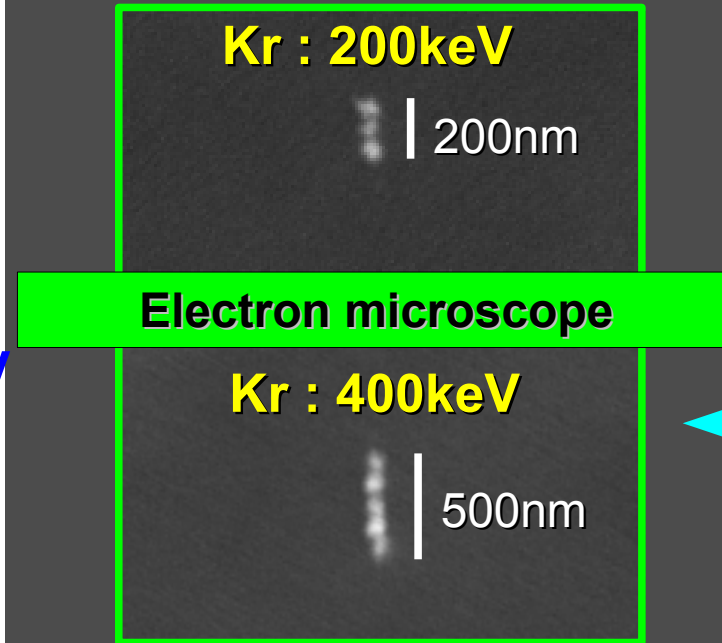
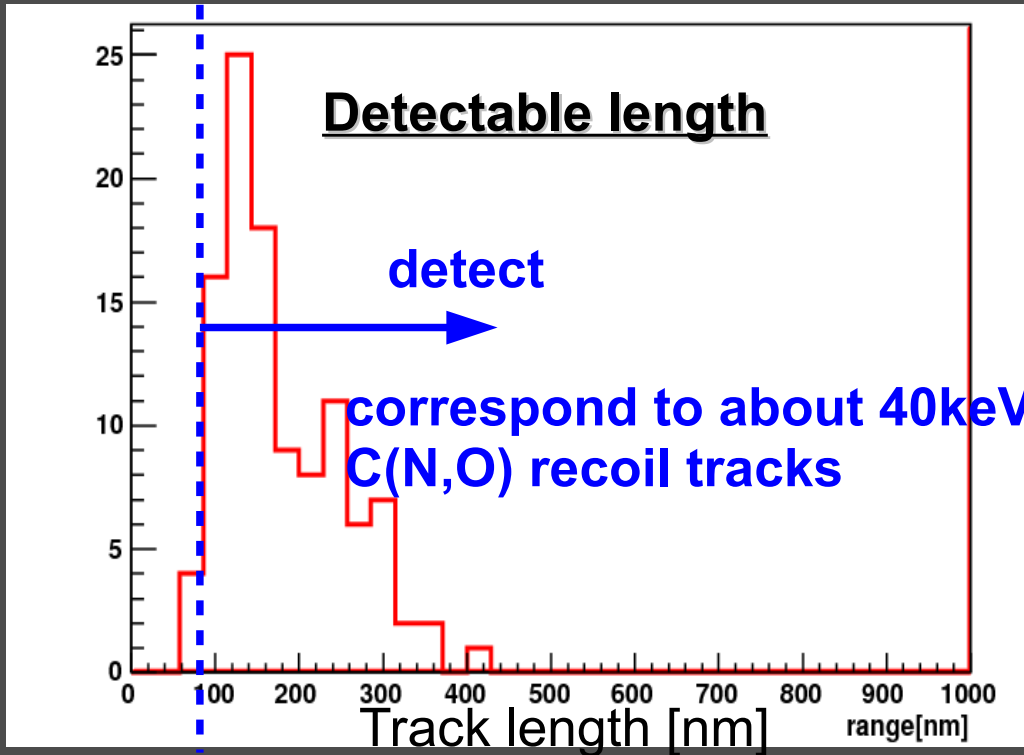
Electron microscope



500nm

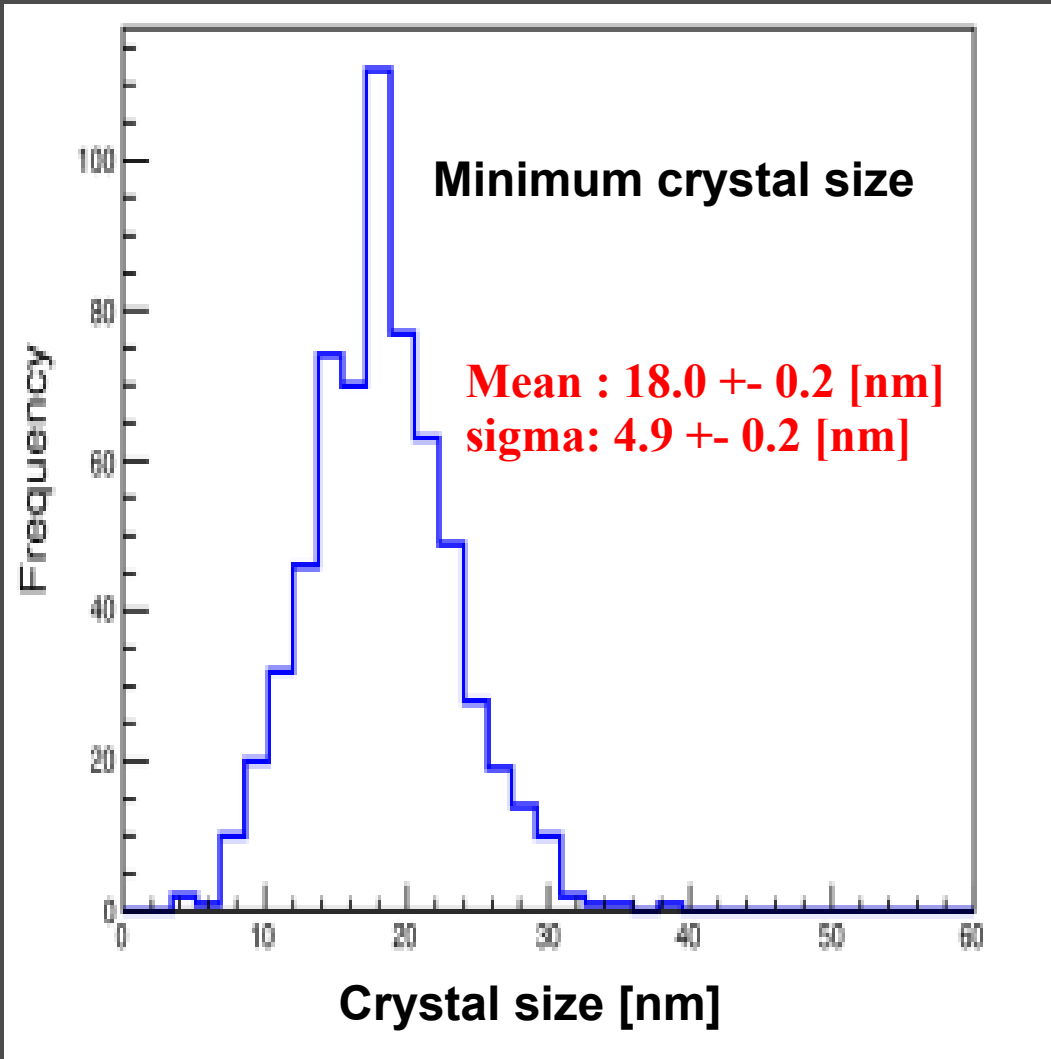
Size control

# Emulsion Production



# In development

We aim more micronization in order to improve the energy threshold.



-Possible to produce stable very fine crystals by using the PVA

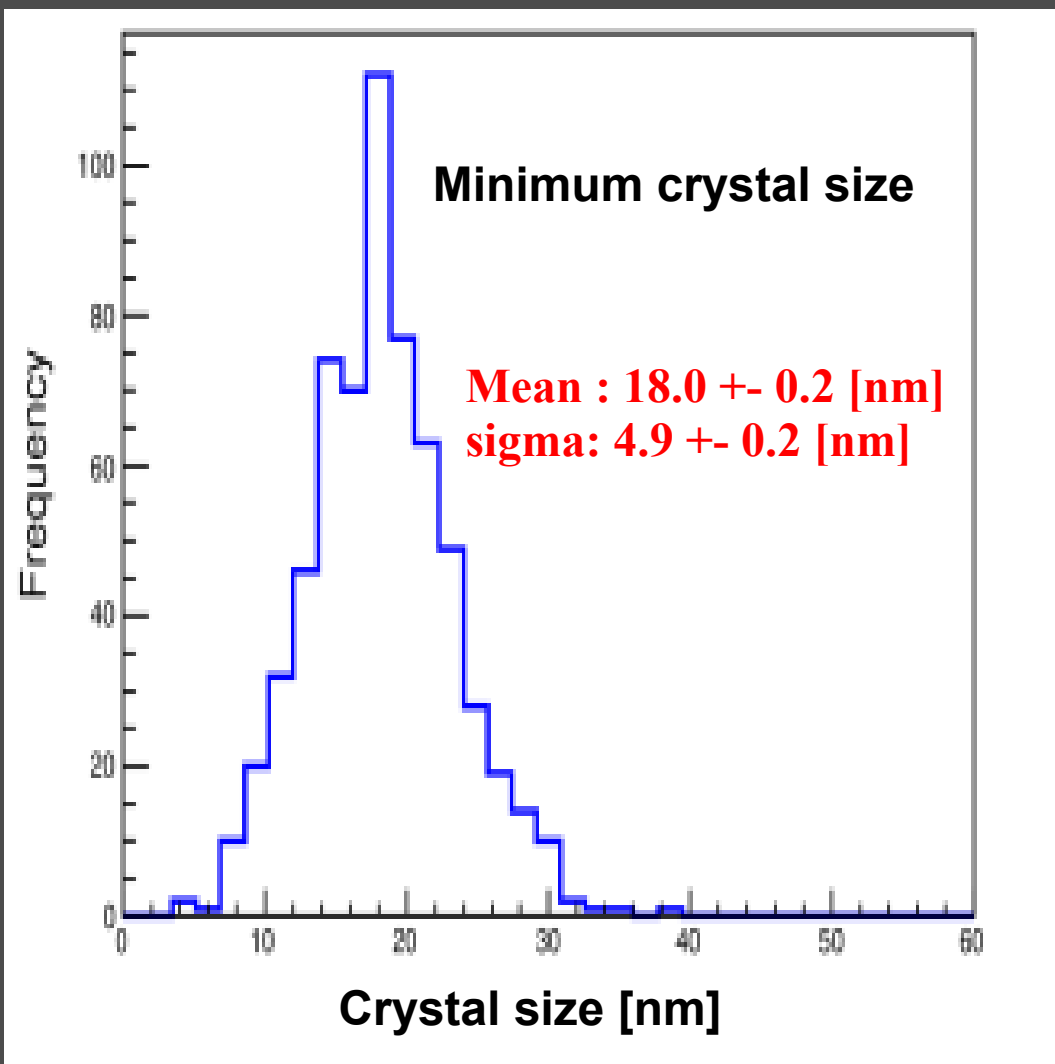
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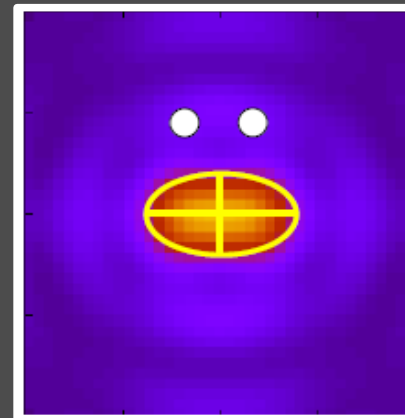
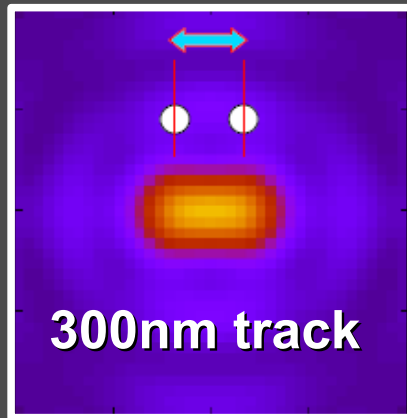
***Analysis system***

# Selection of candidate with optical microscope

~ concept ~

**Tracks**

2 or more  
silver grain



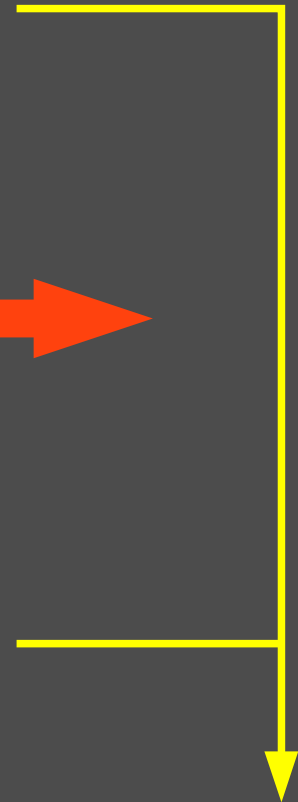
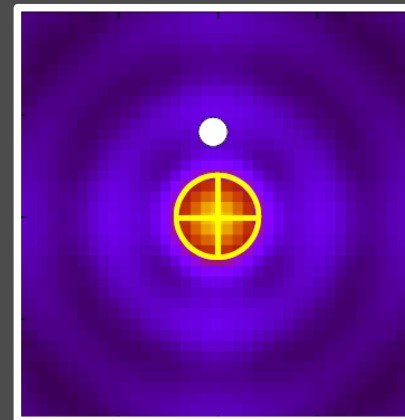
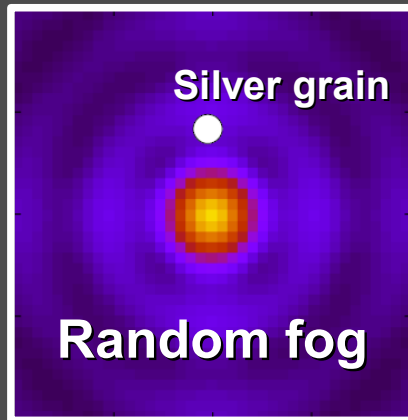
simulation image



**Shape recognition**

**Main noise**

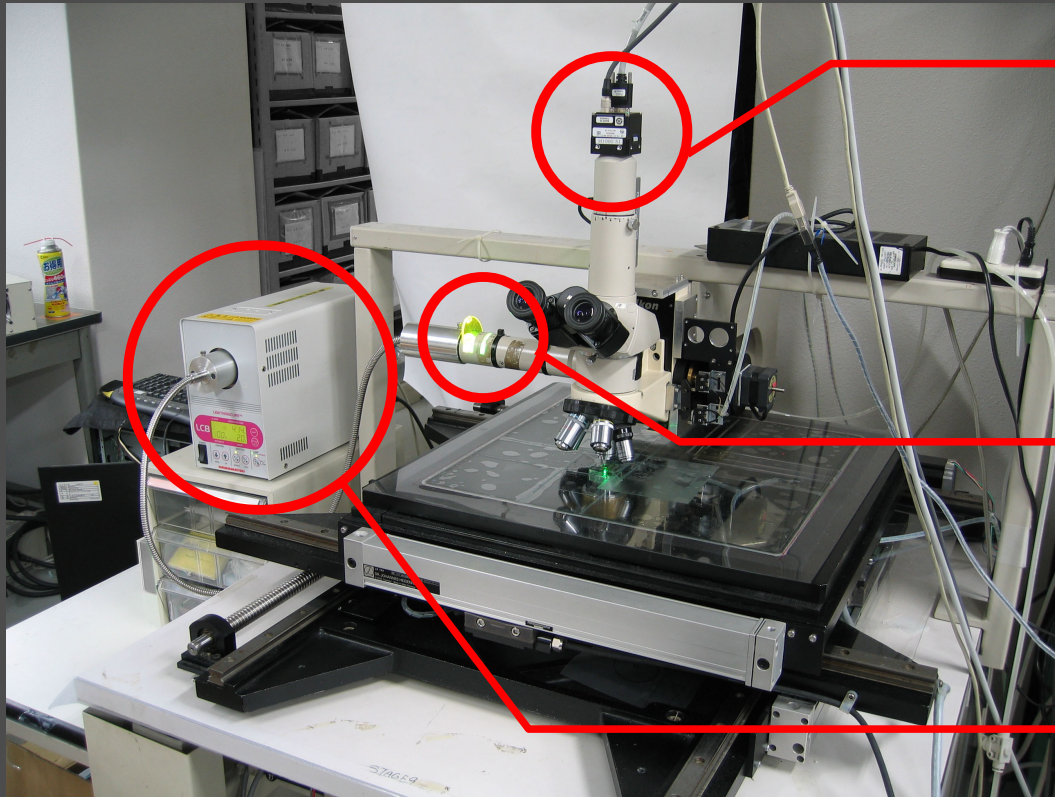
1 silver grain



use difference  
in shape

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# Prototype of readout system



## Camera

DALSA 1M 120fps

Cell size : 7.4[ $\mu\text{m}$ ]

## Filter

550nm band-pass

## Light

Source : Hg-Xe lamp

Readout stage for R&D

Spacial resolution : 270nm

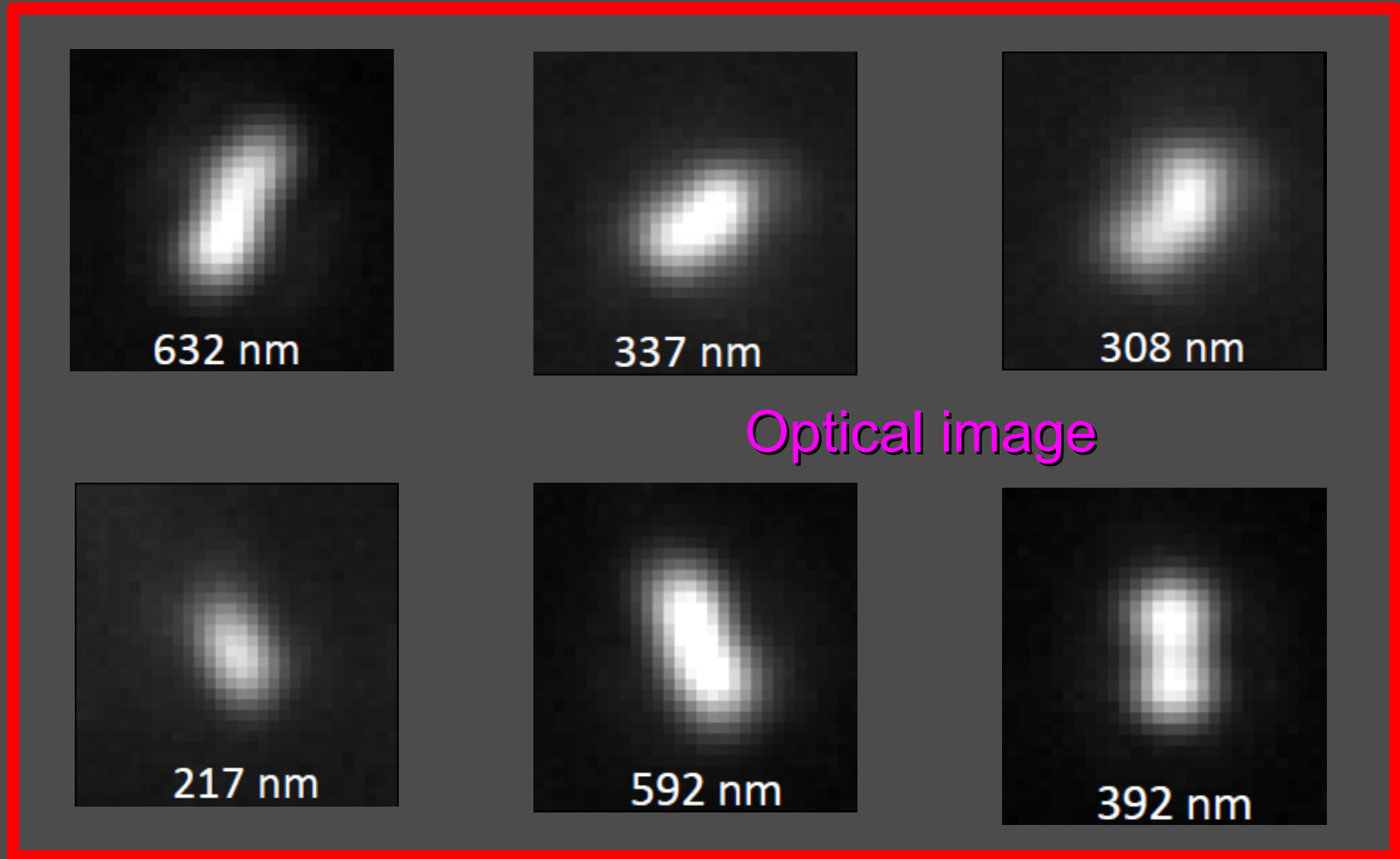
Pixel resolution : 57nm / pix

1 view : 58 $\mu\text{m}$   $\times$  58 $\mu\text{m}$

It is not best condition



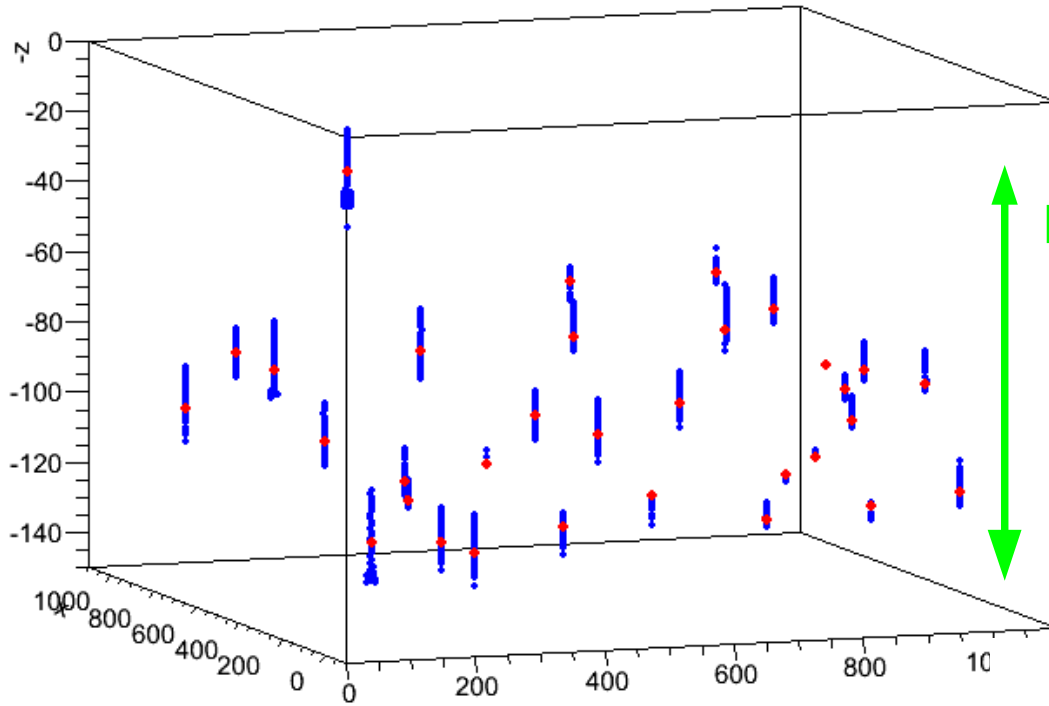
# Demonstration using heavy nuclei recoil tracks induced by 14MeV neutron (D-T reaction)



Mostly Br recoil (170 - 600 keV), because of low sensitivity tuning

# Best focus selection

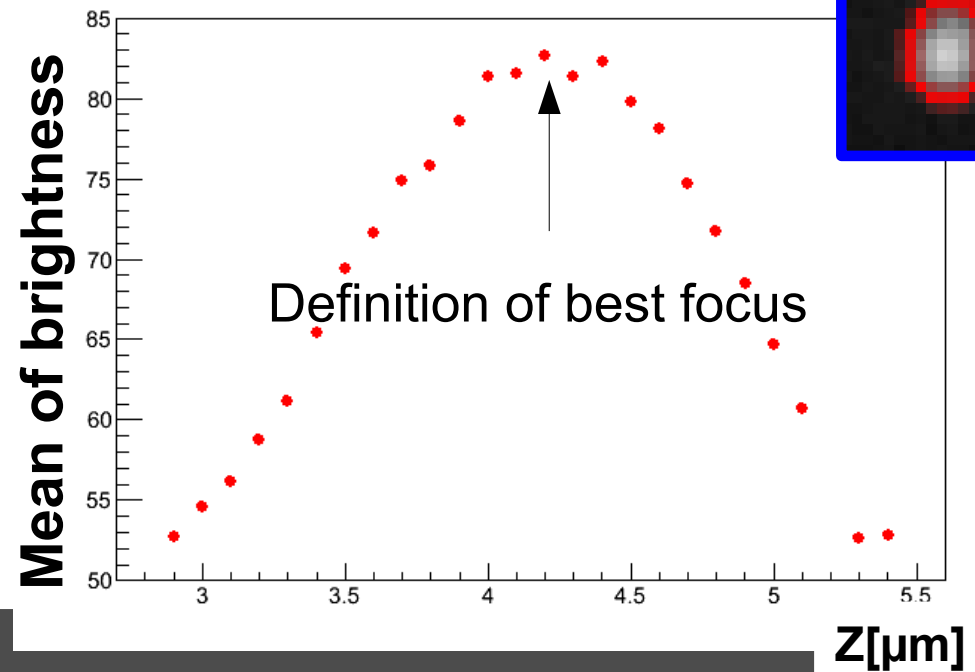
3Dmap



Focus direction

Red : best focus layer

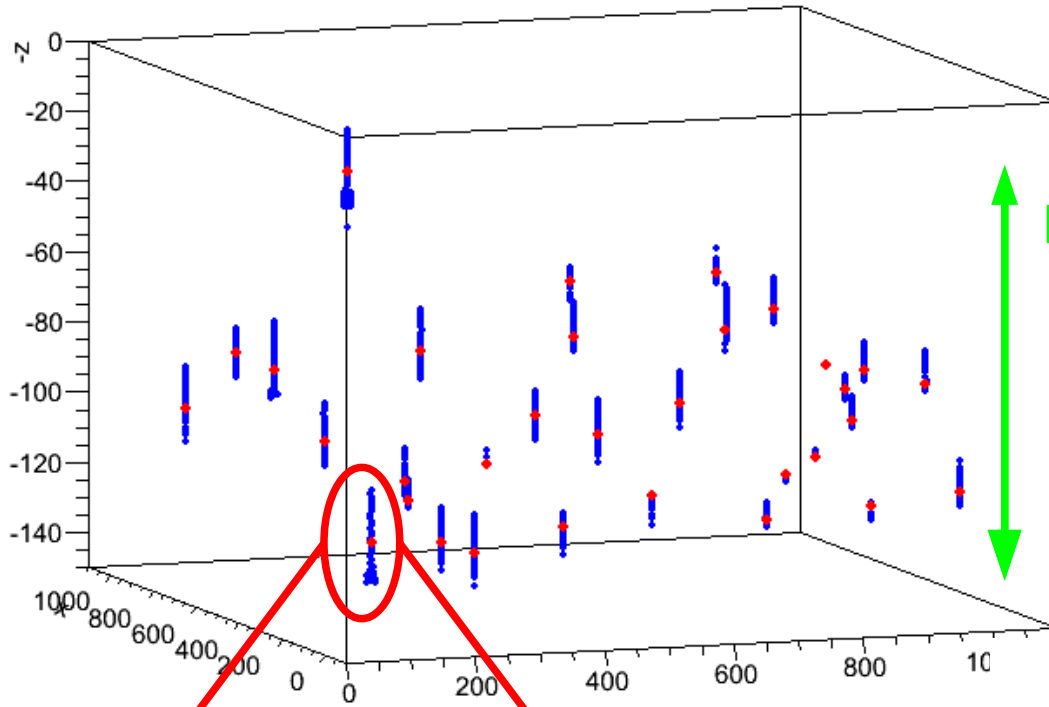
Blue : defocus layer



Z [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]

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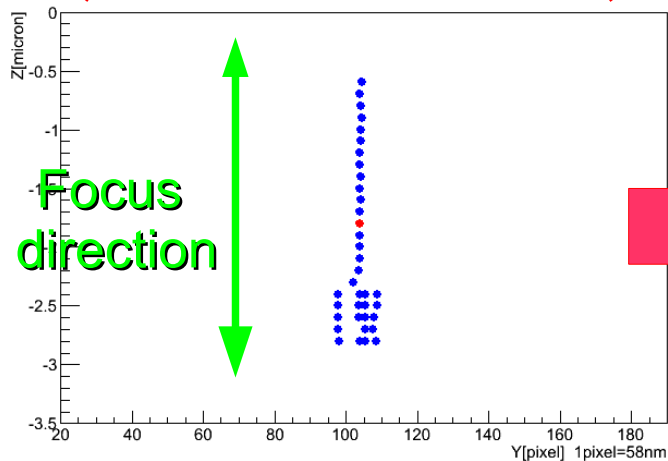
### 3Dmap



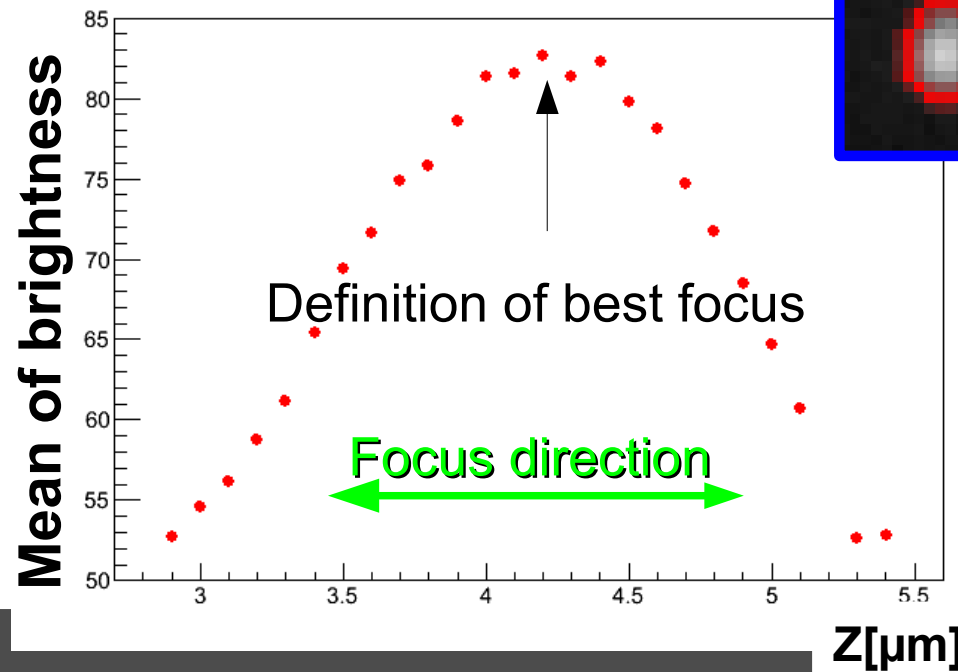
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Focus direction



Definition of best focus

Focus direction

$Z[\mu\text{m}]$

# Scanned image (Layer image of one event)



1.7 $\mu$ m

A vertical red double-headed arrow indicating the height of the scanned image.

Interval of layer  
0.2 $\mu$ m

Text indicating the interval of the layer.

# Selection of candidate

~ parameterization of shape ~

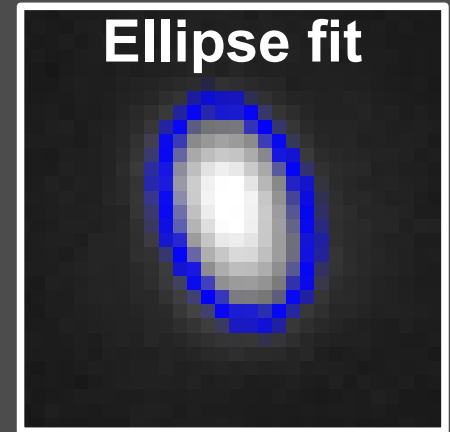
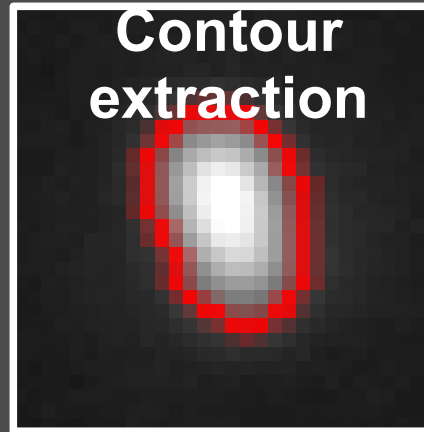
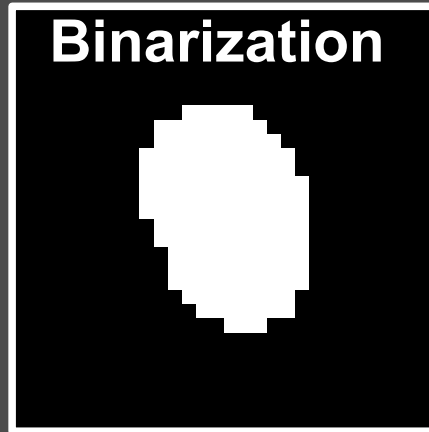
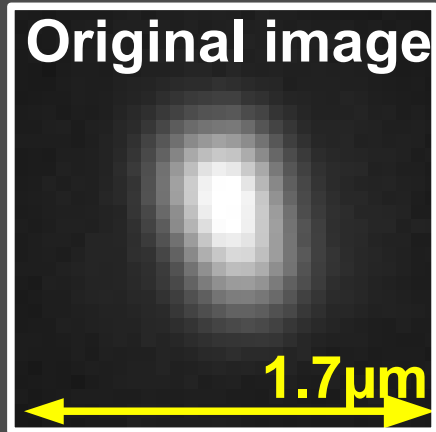


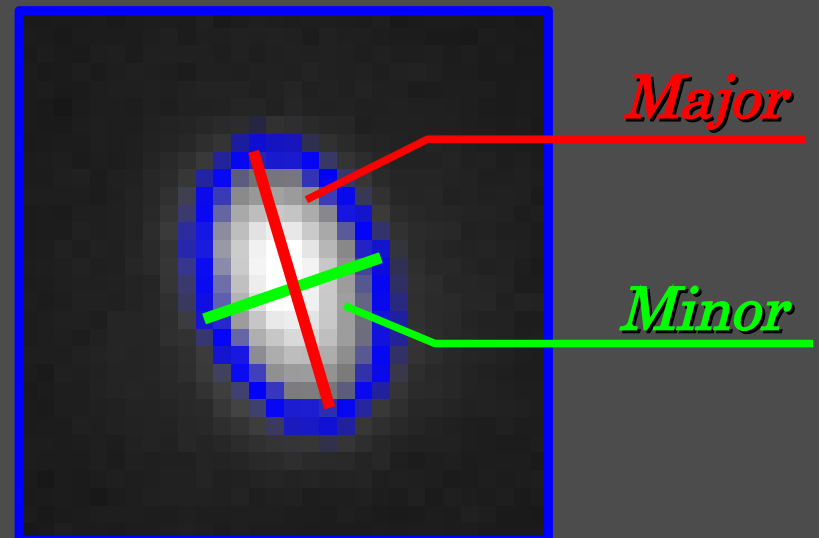
Image analysis

Main parameters of readout

*Ellipticity*

=Major/Minor

put out the parameters of all events that are in the image automatically



# Prototype of readout system



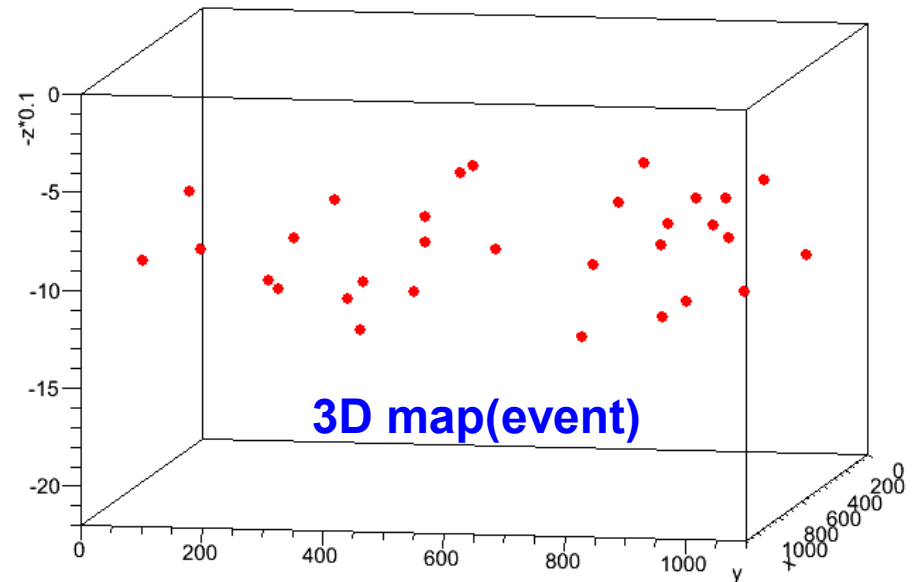
**Readout stage for R&D**

Scan



- 3D position information
  - Brightness
  - Shape
  - Area
  - Angle
- etc...

**Scanning power : 10day / g**

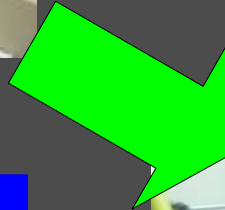


# Process of track decision



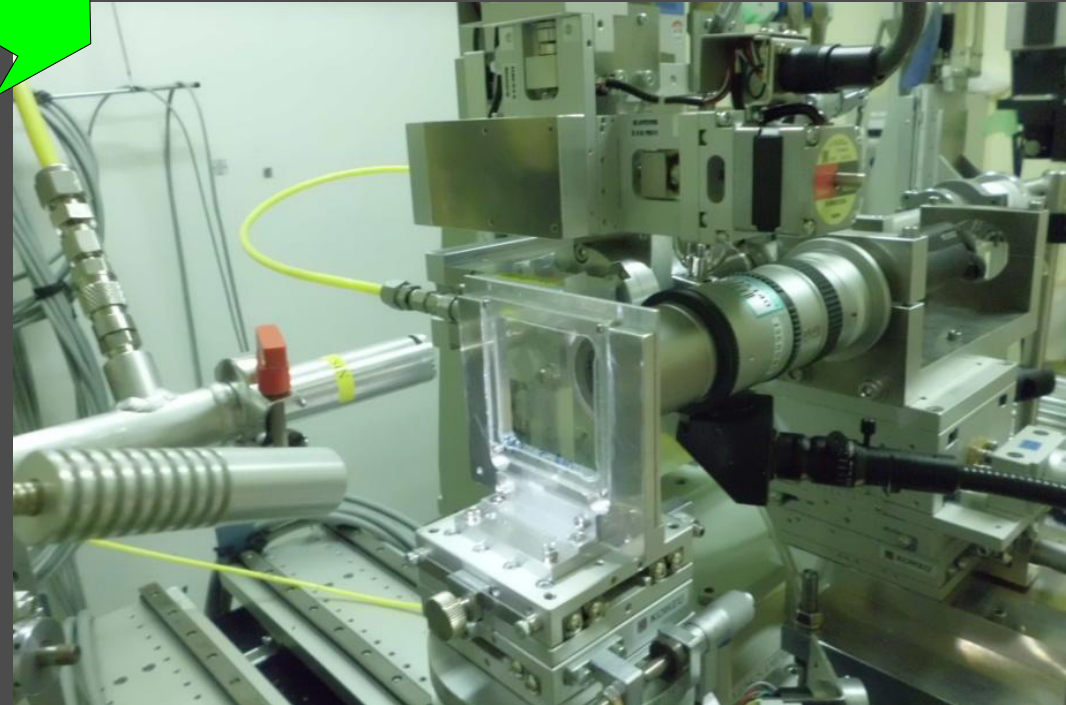
**Optical microscope  
(First scan)**

- High speed scan (large volume)
- Shape recognition
- 3D position ...



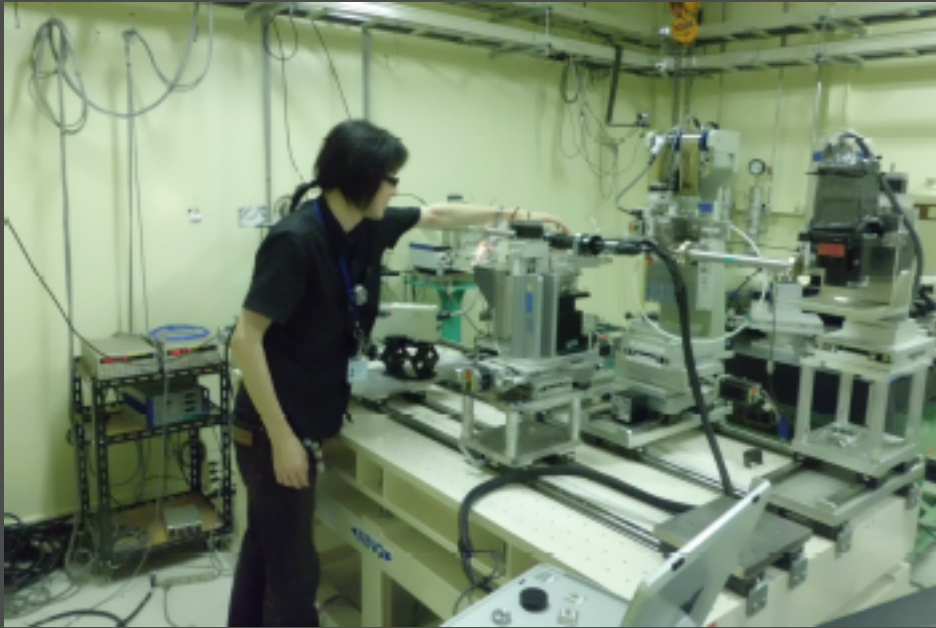
**X-ray microscope  
(Second scan)**

- High resolution
- pinpoint check  
(event by event)
- Signal or Noise ?



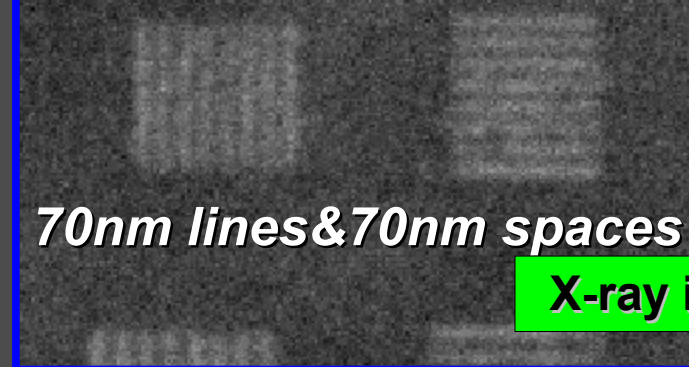
# X-ray microscope

Spring-8(Hyogo, in Japan):BL37XU, BL47XU

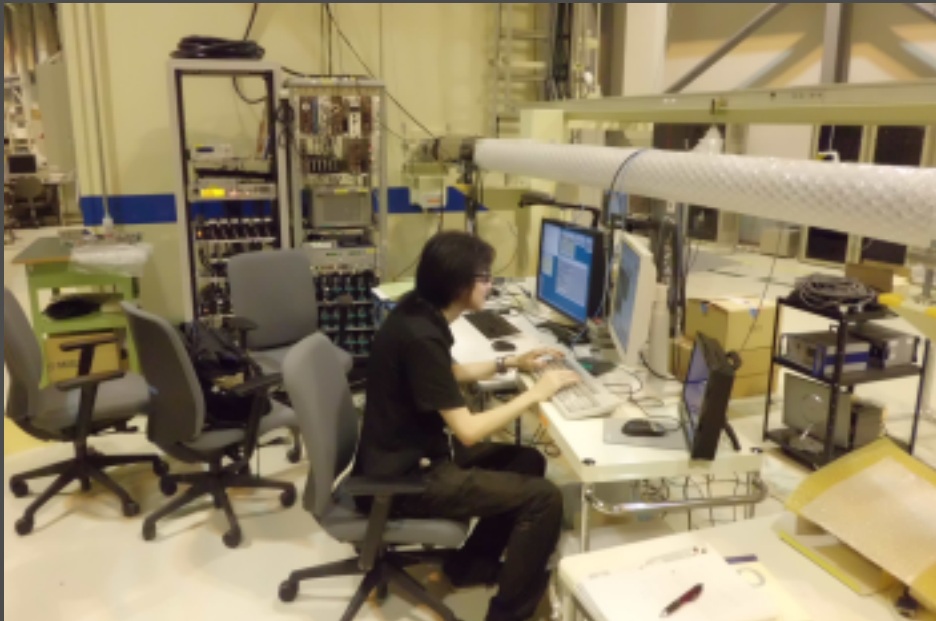


- Resolution : 70nm
- pixel resolution : 25nm / pix
- Exposure time : 6-10sec / view
- 1view size : 44 $\mu$ m $\times$ 29 $\mu$ m
- Depth of field : 70 $\mu$ m
- X-ray Energy : 8keV

*Ta 100nm thickness on SiN Membrane*



**X-ray image**

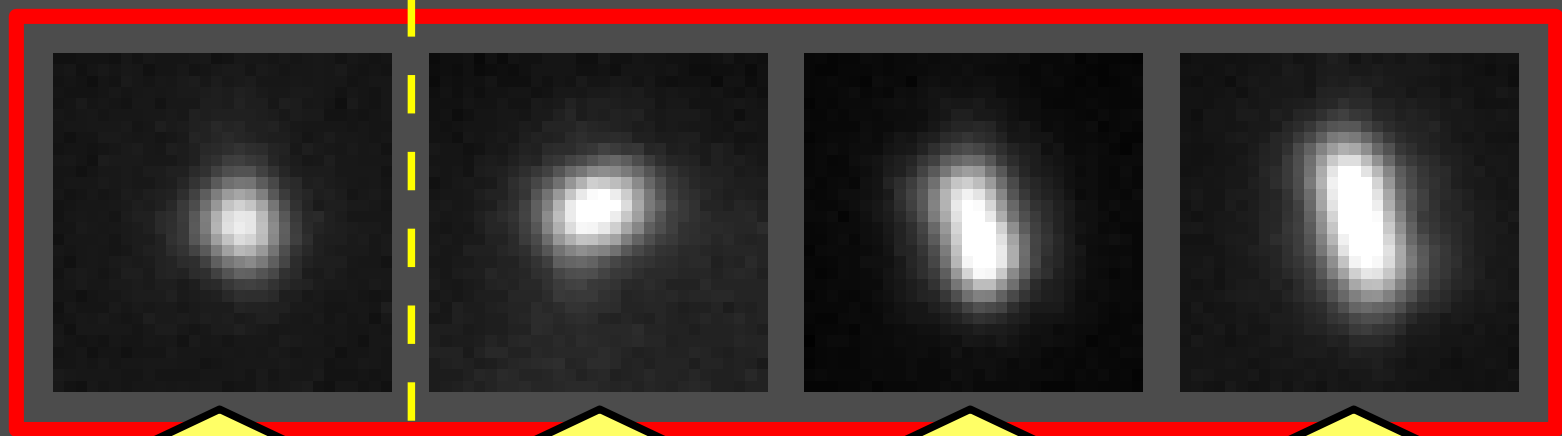


- There is recruitment of machine time per six months
- Status of machine time that we gained in recently :
  - 18 Shift / half year
  - = 144 hour / half year
- The last three years, we have been able to gain constant machine time.

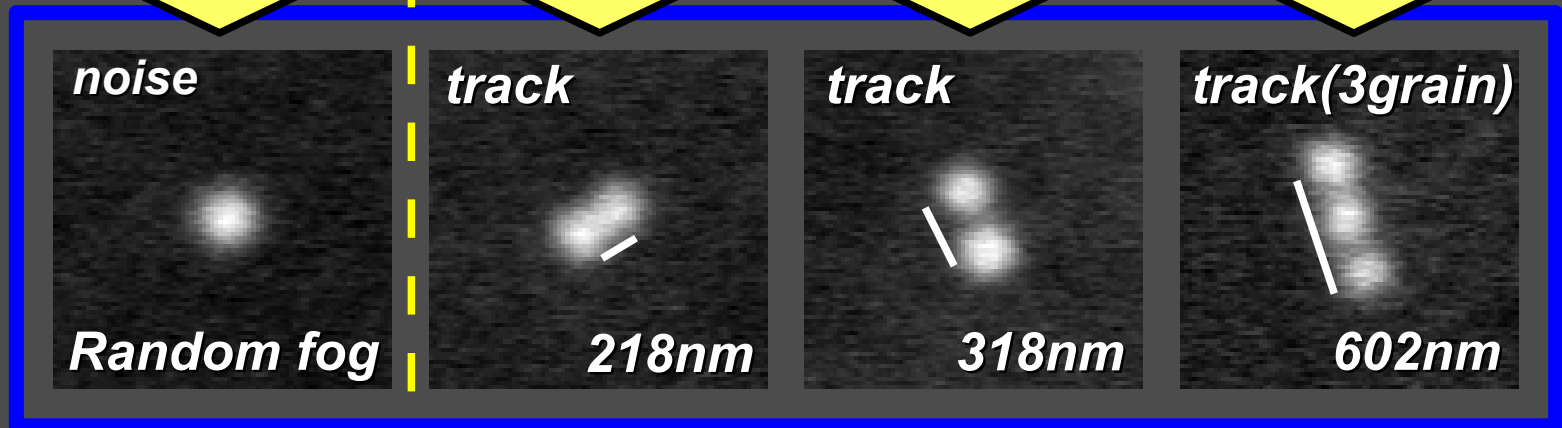


# Matching of recoil tracks between Optical and Xray microscope

*Optical*



*X-ray*



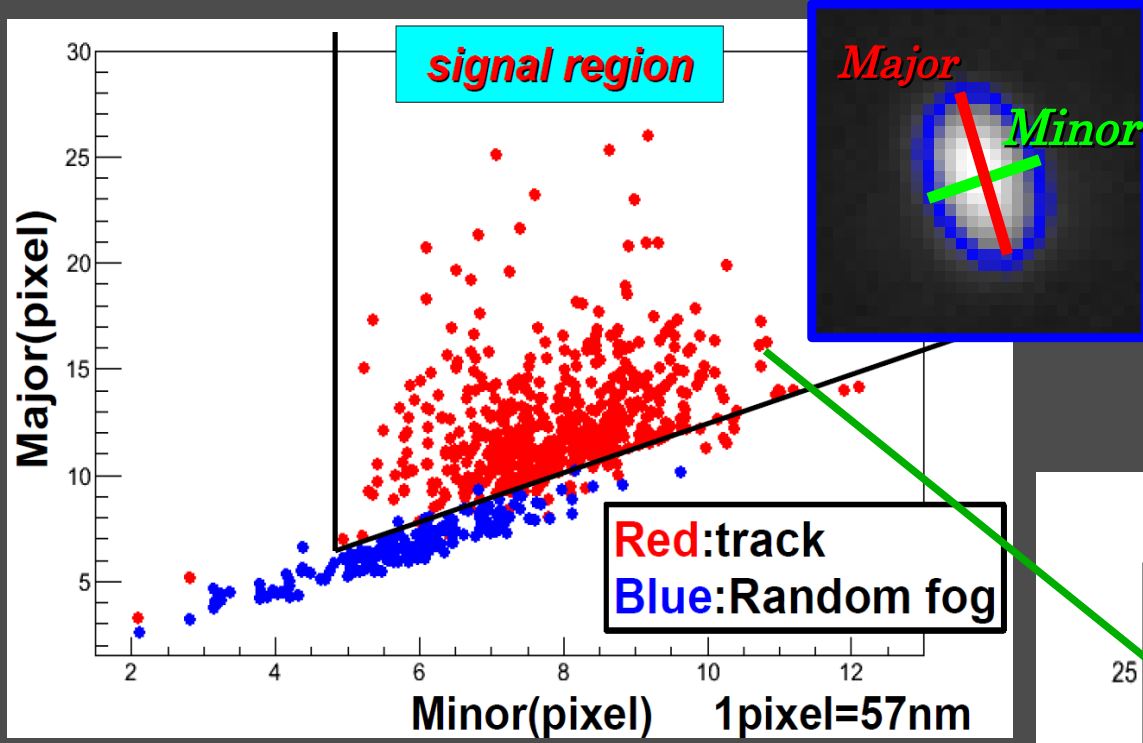
-Matching efficiency : 99% ( 572 event / 579 event )

-Possible to automatic analysis of 7800 event / day

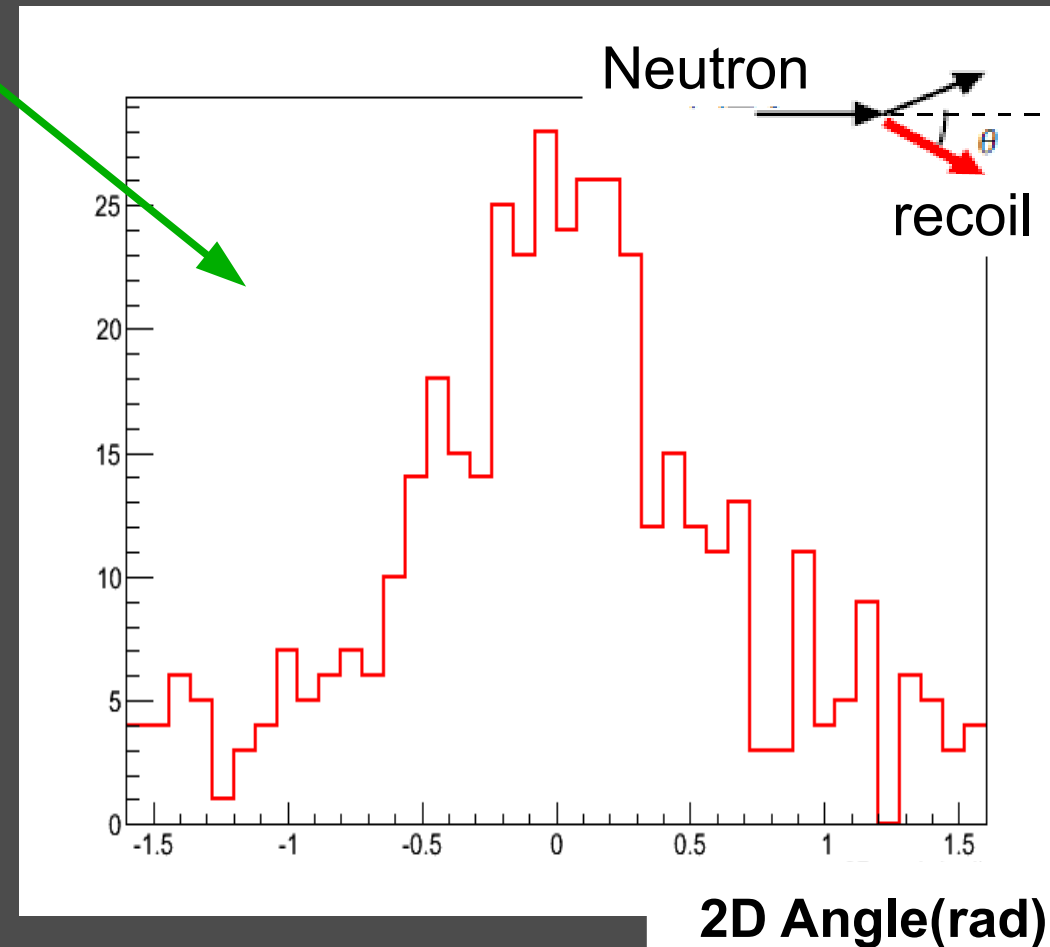
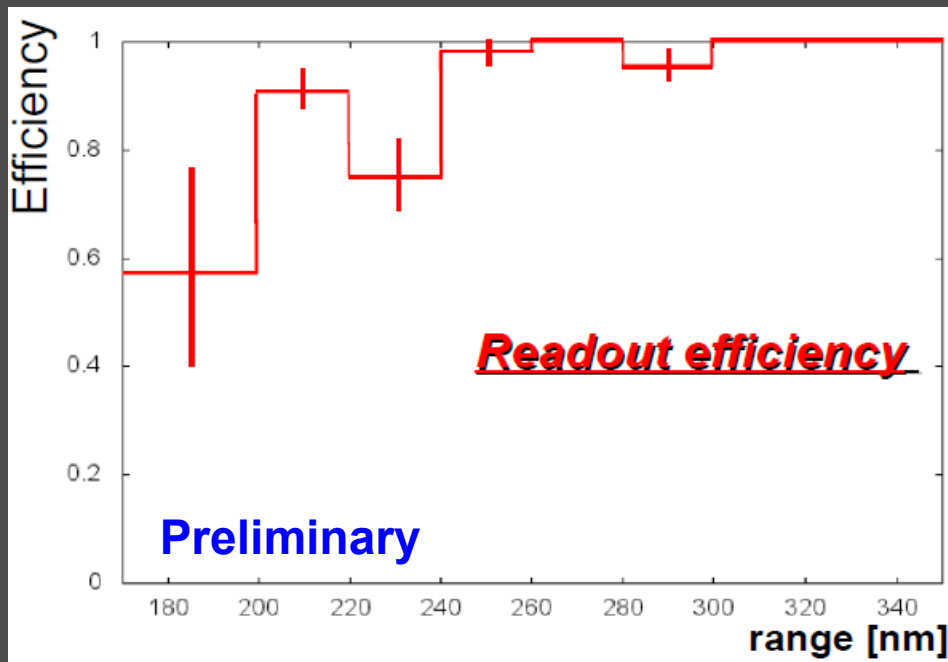
-Amount of shifting from expected position(Optical→Xray) :

<5μm ⇒ This shift is small amount enough to compare with one view

# Signal selection with optical microscope



-Optical readout results of events already confirmed as tracks and noises by X-ray microscopy analysis.



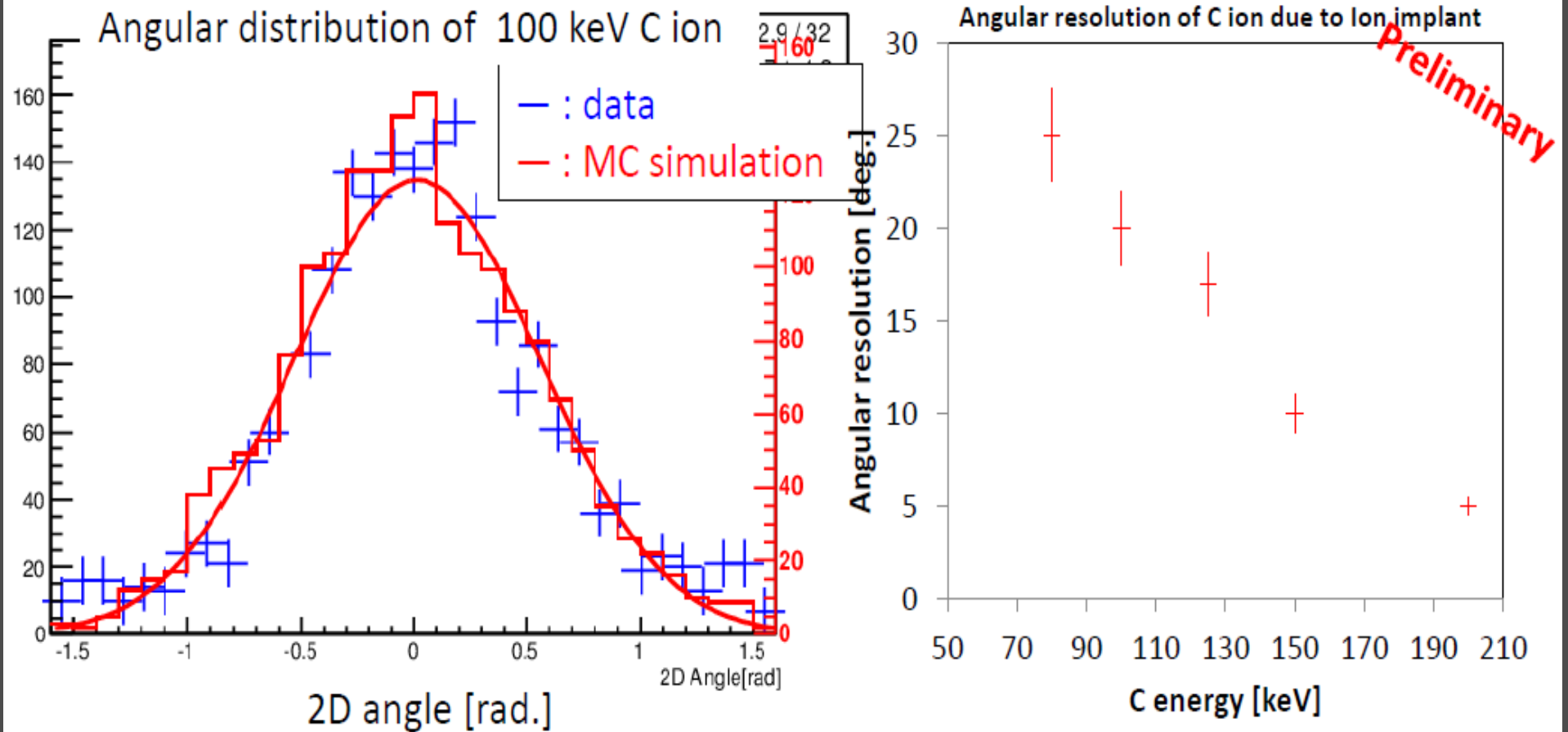
# Angular resolution of optical readout

Angular resolution is better than about 25 deg. for 80 keV C recoil tracks.

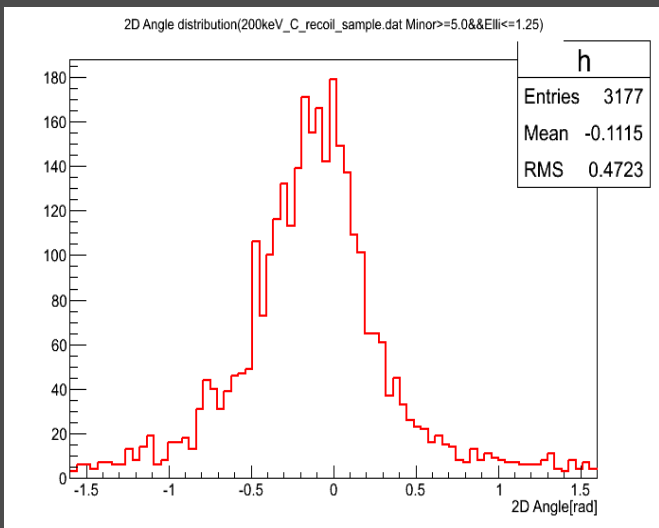


Angular resolution will be better with confirmation of X-ray microscope.

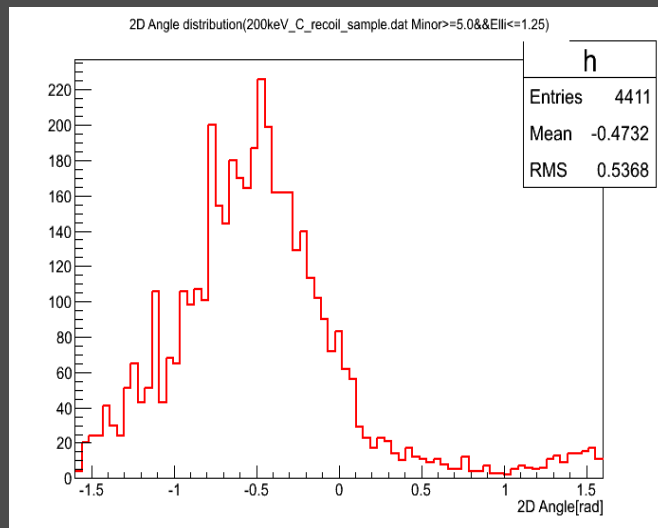
Low velocity ion created by an ion-implantation system



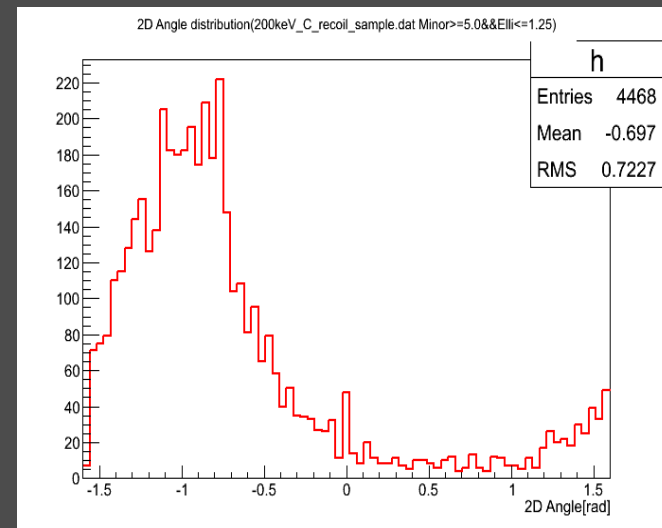
# confirmed that it is possible to detect the incident direction of the ion (C 150keV)



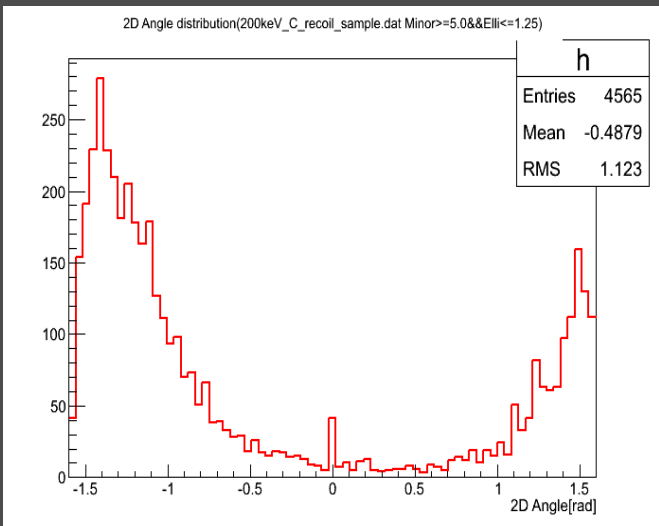
base



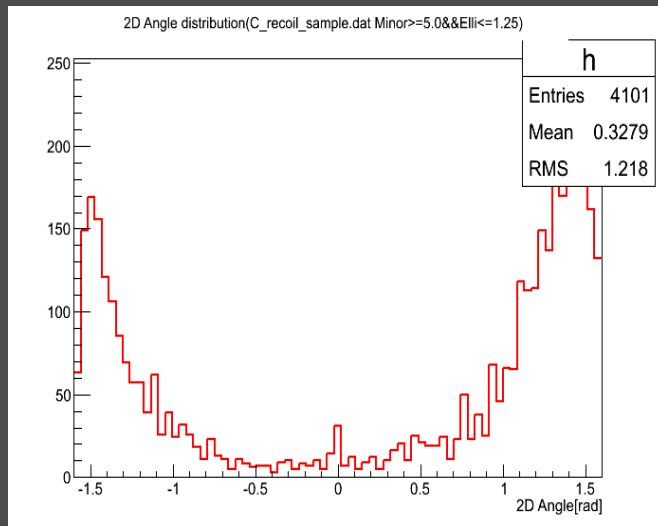
+22.5[deg]



+45[deg]



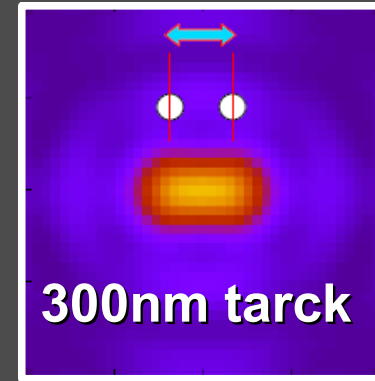
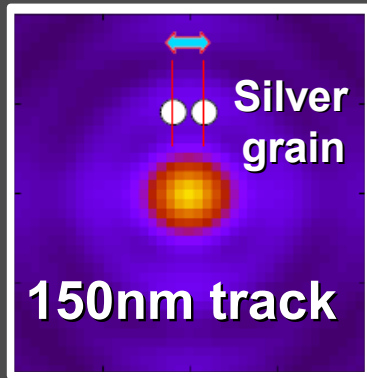
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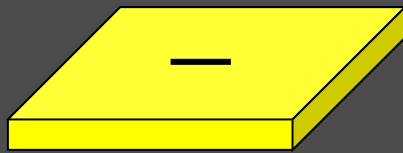
+90[deg]

rotate sample by 22.5 degrees as compared to the stage

# Expansion technique



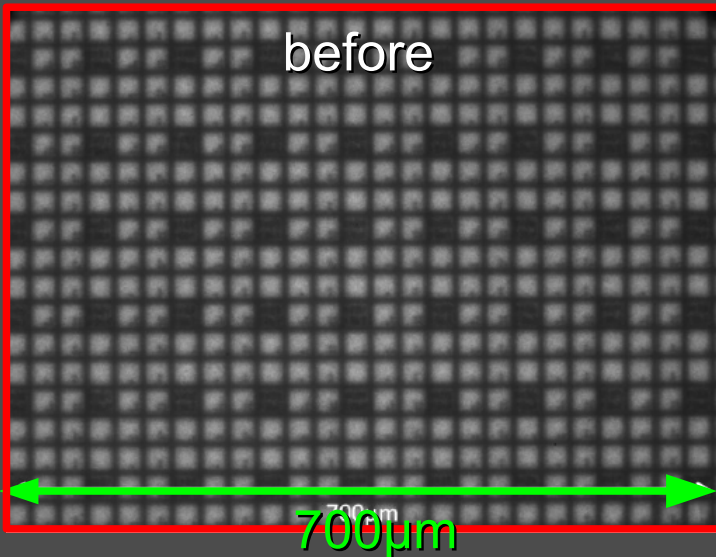
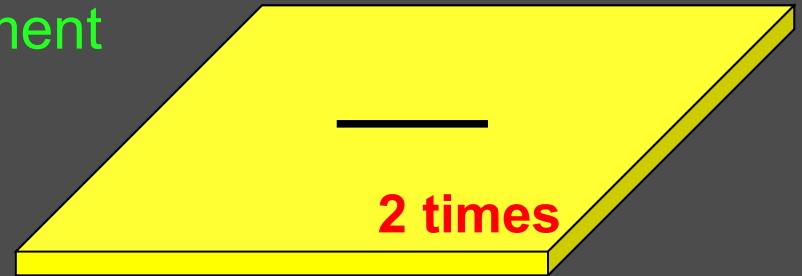
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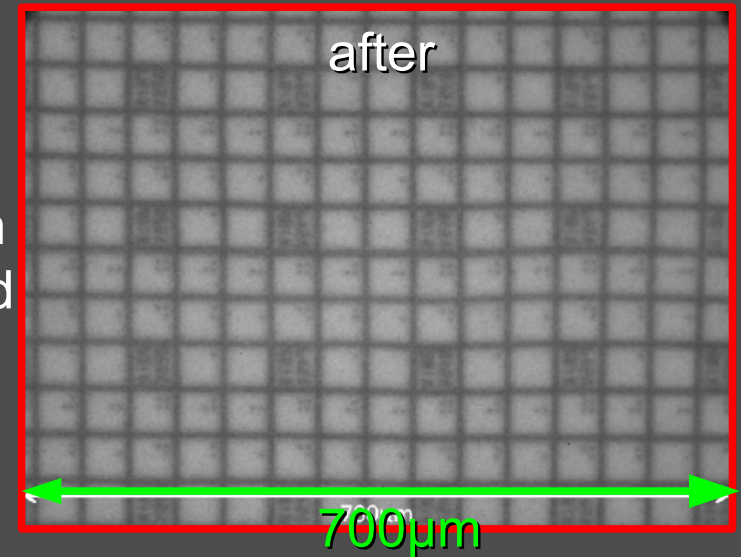
Chemical treatment



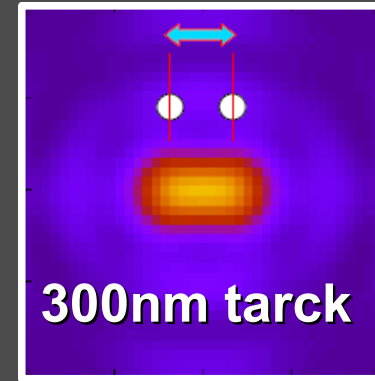
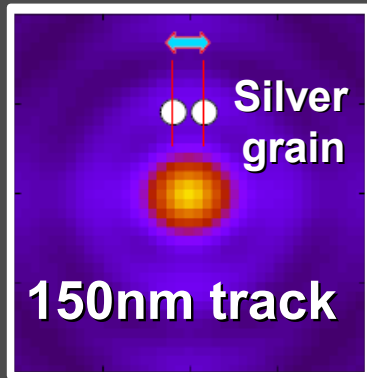
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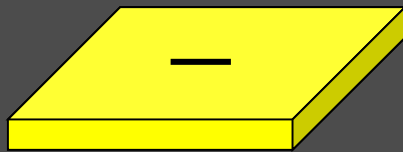
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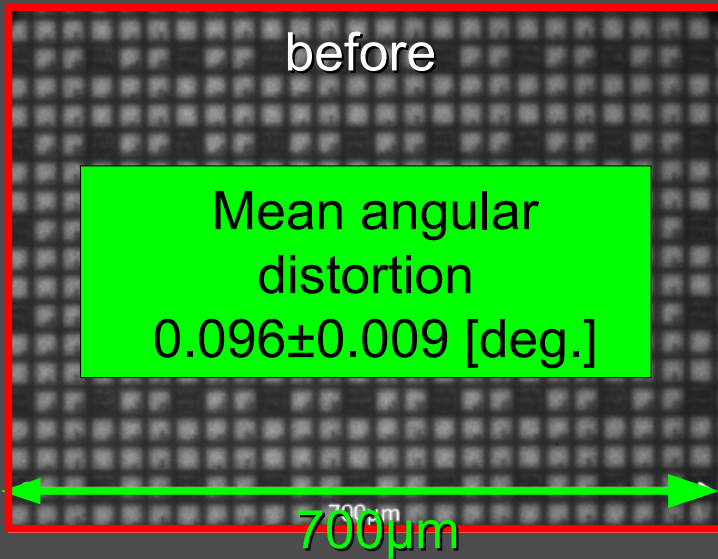
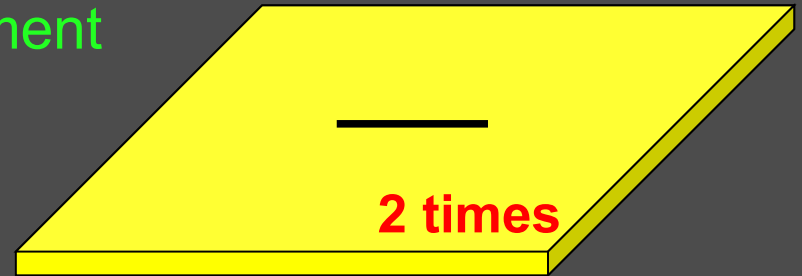
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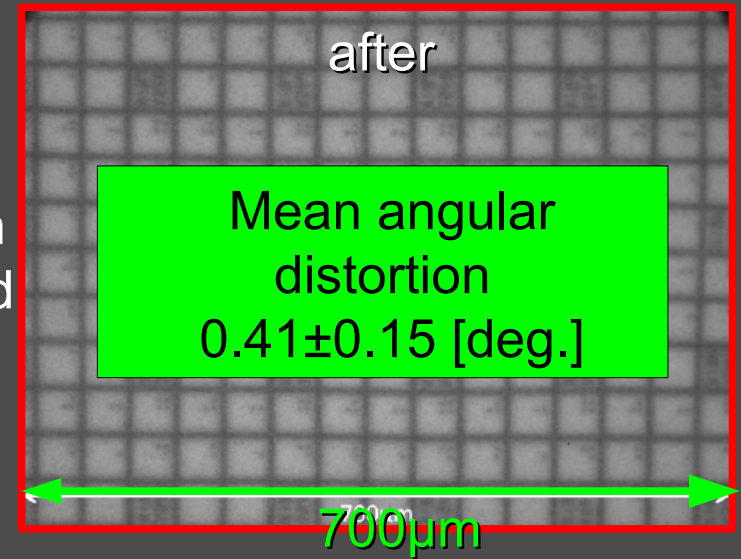
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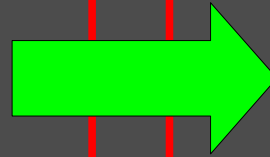
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# Readout efficiency by using expansion technique

## Readout efficiency :

200~220nm : 70%  
220~240nm : 80%  
>240nm : >90%  
(visible length)



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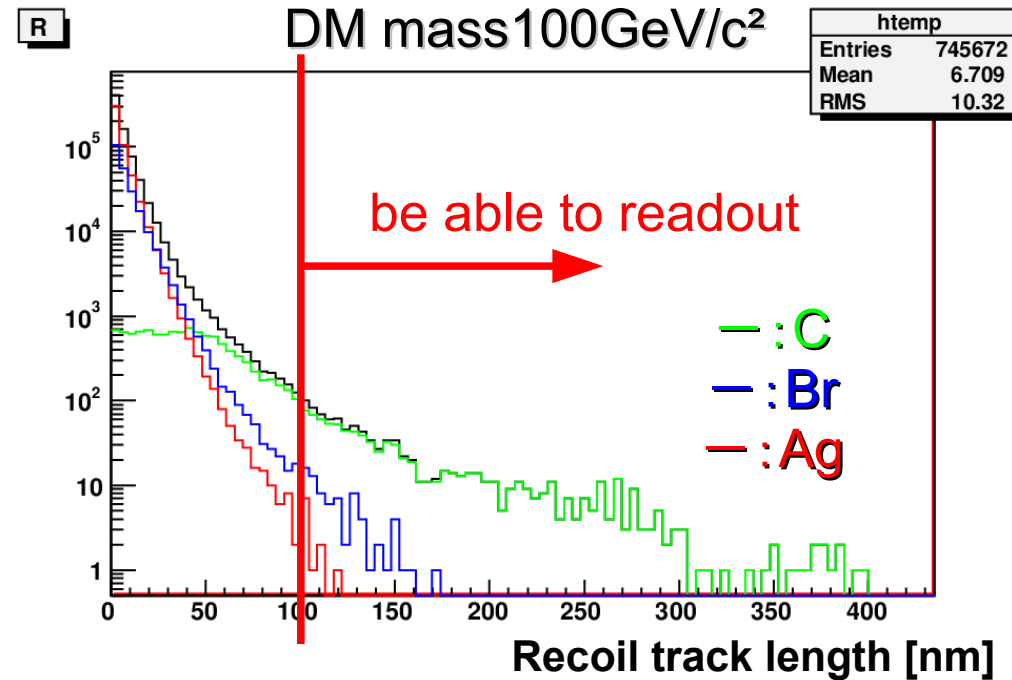
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## Energy :

Ag : 200 keV

Br : 160 keV

C(NO) : 37 keV  
( $\geq 100\text{nm}$ )



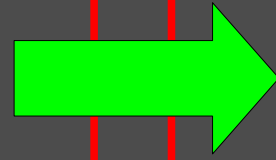
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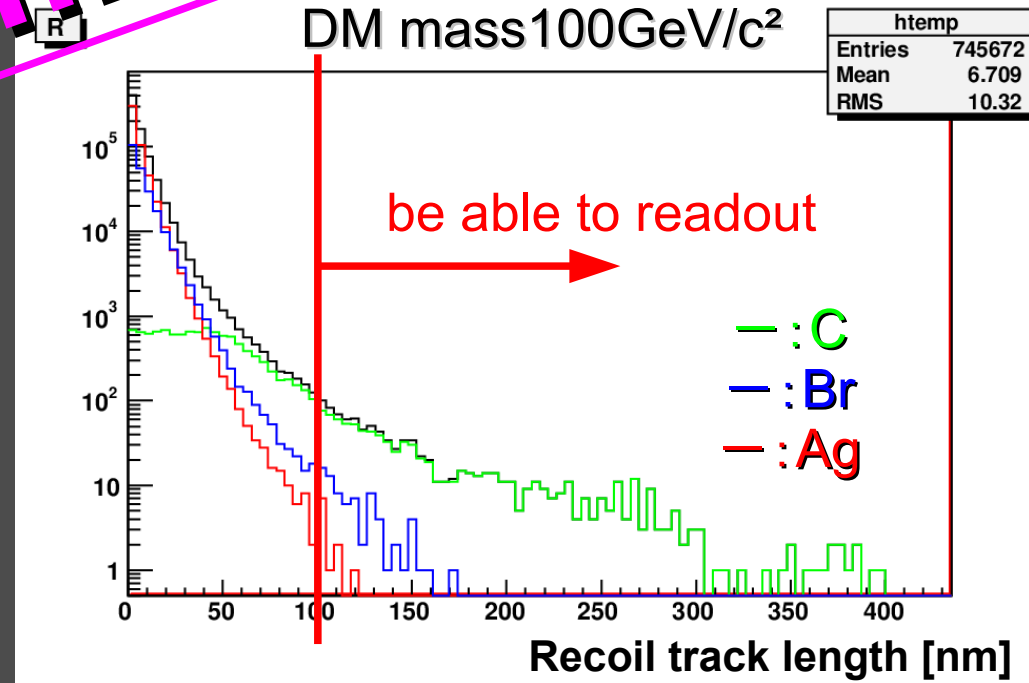
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**Preliminary**

## Energy :

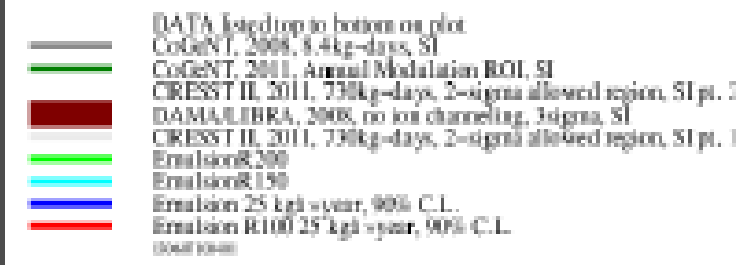
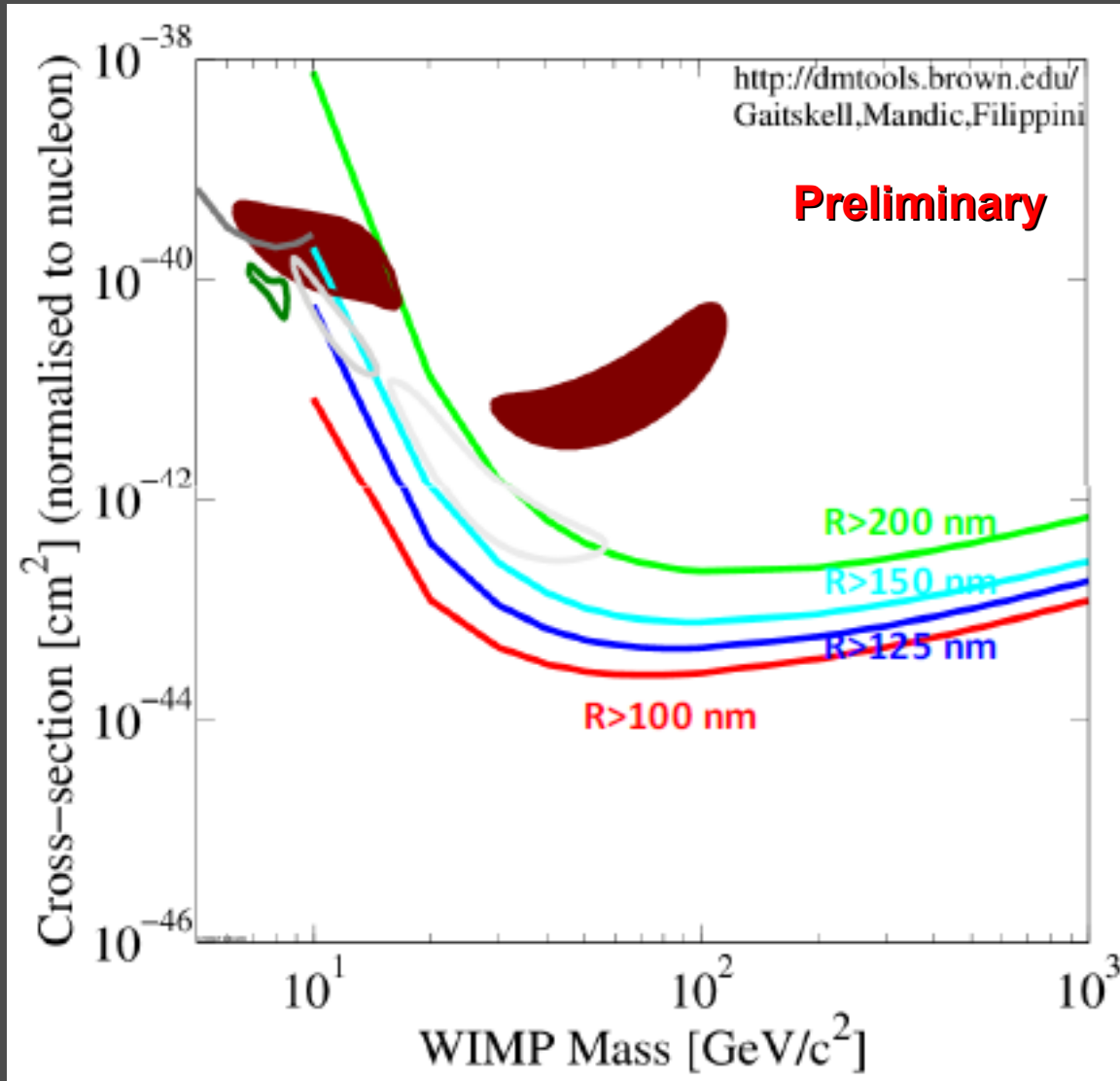
Ag : 200 keV  
Br : 160 keV  
C(NO) : 37 keV  
( $\geq 100\text{nm}$ )





# Ideal SI cross section limit by using Emulsion detector

SI limit [25 kg·year, R>100, 125, 150, 200nm, 90%C.L.]



# Upgrade plan about Analysis System

## Current setup

- DALSA1M120 (cell size : 7.5 x 7.5  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ) → SENTECH CMB4MCL ( cell size : 5.0 x 5.0  $\mu\text{m}^2$ )
- Wavelength for readout : 550 nm (green) → 450 nm (blue)
- Numerical Aperture : 1.25 → 1.40

## New setup

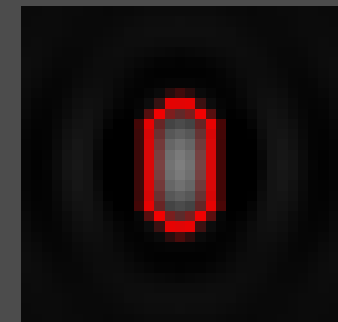
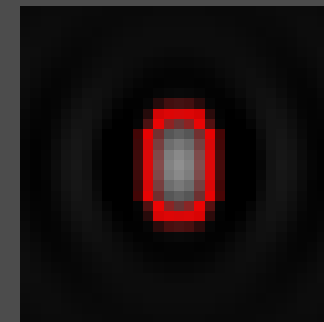
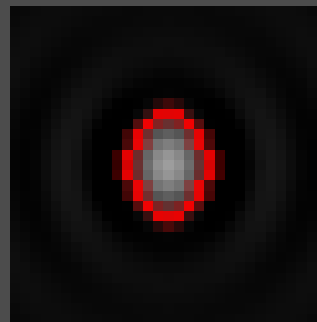
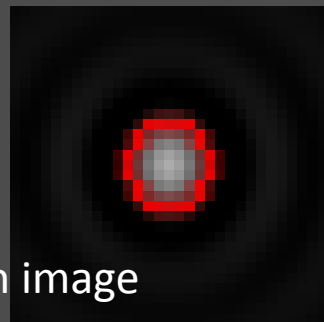
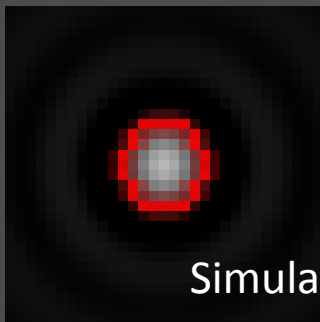
100 nm track

125 nm track

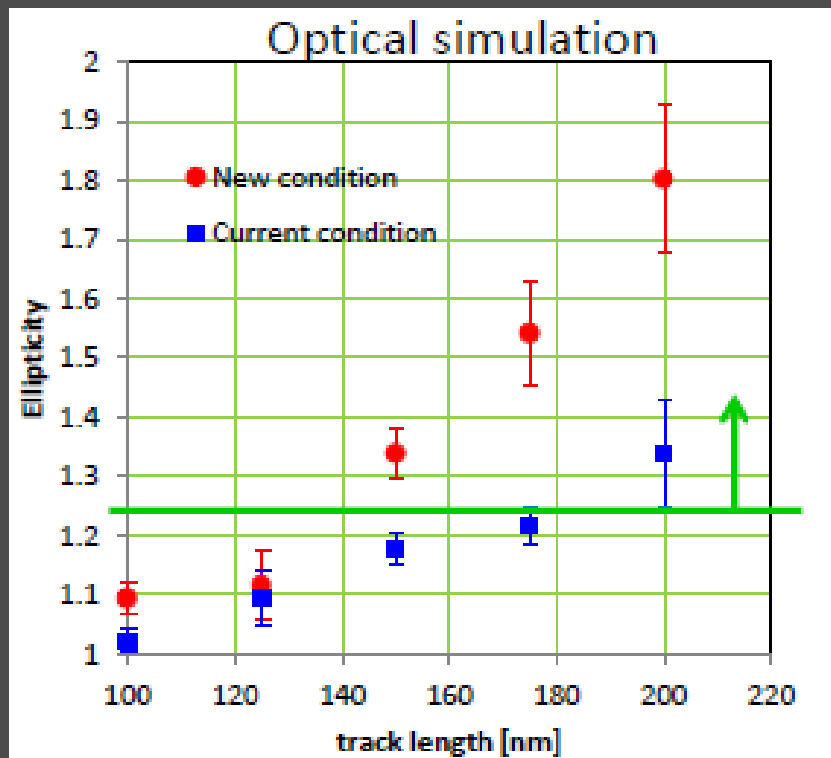
150 nm track

175 nm track

200 nm track



Simulation image



-We are aiming to improve the reading efficiency by changing the setup of the optical microscope.

-As a result, there is expected to be possible to selection 150nm tracks.

-Through the expansion technique of 1.2 times, we can search up to 10GeV in principle.

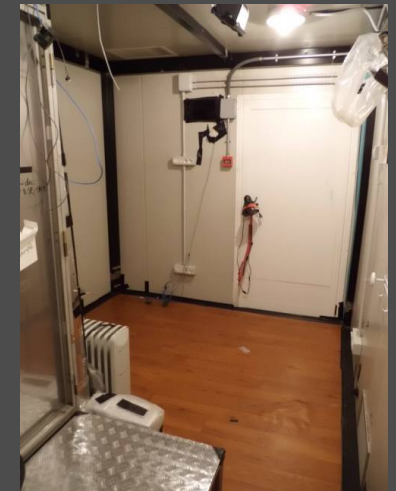
-In addition, we are challenging to the selection of another approach now.

# Underground facility in Gran Sasso for R&D

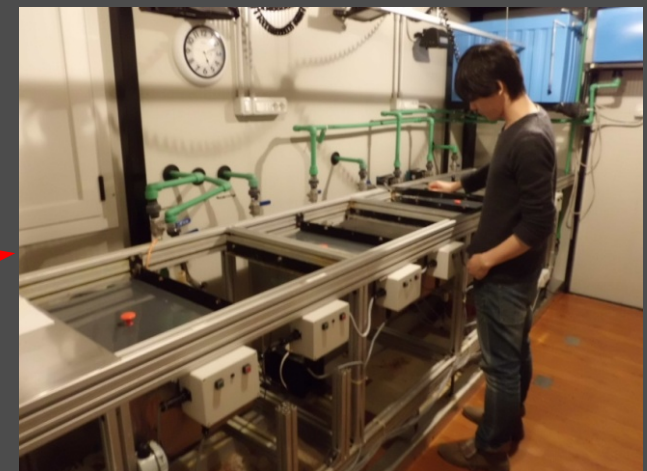
## Gran Sasso (LNGS), Italy



## 2nd Floor: Detector Production



## 1st Floor : Development Facility



# LNGS activity

- Preparing the measurement of low radio activity in the our material (ppb – ppt level).  
⇒ ICP-MS ( obtain cooperation from DarkSide )

- Temperature and humidity monitor and control system.
- Rn monitor and N2 purge system

We are preparing the application of official R&D project for LNGS.

- (Test of monochromatic neutron source in CERN)



# Near future plan

~2013

2014

2015

2016



## Detector (Emulsion)

Development of fine grained Emulsion with self-production.

Sensitivity turning and stability check for test run.

Sensitivity turning for fine grained emulsion



gram scale BG study at Gran sasso



## Analysis System

Base of readout system was constructed about the optical microscope and X-ray microscope.

Start of BG study and R&D for BG discrimination (gamma, beta, neutron)

BG study and upgrade for high-speed and high-resolution



# Summary

- We have developed a detector for dark matter search which can detect the tracks of 100nm or more.
- Base of fully automatic analysis system was also completed.
- We are evaluating the performance by using an ion-implantation system.
- Our experiment is transitioning to phase of BG study.
- Currently , we are preparing for small scale BG run.

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