

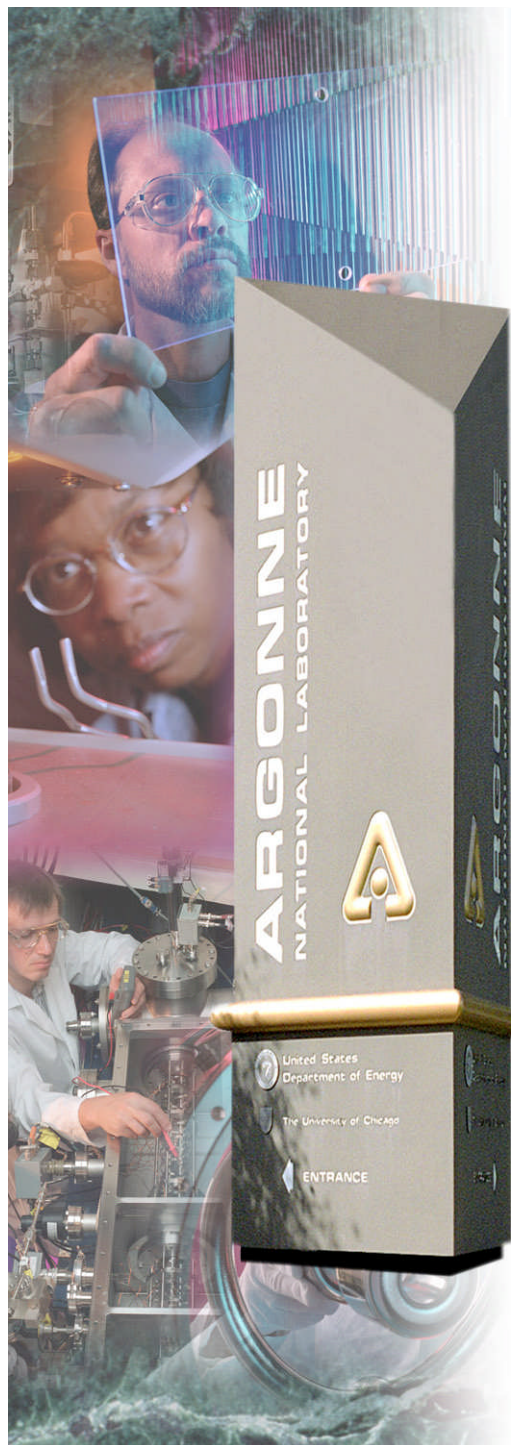
# *SRI 2005 Detector Workshop Summary*

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## *SRI 2005 Satellite Workshop on Detectors*

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- Originally scheduled to be held at Baton Rouge on September 19 and 20, 2005. Held at the APS on December 8 and 9, 2005.
- Attended by ~ 70 researchers from the US, Canada, Australia, and Europe. Representatives from industry were also present.

## *Workshop Objectives*

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- To assess recent detector developments, both in the U.S. and abroad, in order to identify detector research opportunities that would enhance research capabilities at U.S. synchrotron radiation sources.
- To examine detector technologies, both short-term and long-term, and suggest a strategy to insure that the U.S. researchers are competitive, and remain so, in SR-based science.
- To acquaint young scientists with the present state-of-the-art in detector research and to convey exciting possibilities for the future.
- To document the conclusions of the workshop as an aid to future planning.

## *Organizing Committee*

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### **Chairman**

Al Thompson (Lawrence Berkeley Lab)

### **Workshop Committee Members**

Sol M. Gruner (Cornell University)

John Arthur (Stanford)

Dennis M. Mills (APS)

John D. Scott (CAMD)

Edwin Westbrook (LBNL)

Peter Siddons (BNL)

Howard Padmore (LBNL)

Ralf Wehlitz (SRC)

# Program – Day 1

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**Thursday, December 8, 2005**

## **Introduction**

8:20 am Welcome and Workshop Logistics – *Dennis Mills, APS*

8:30 am Program Introduction and Goals of Workshop – *Al Thompson, LBNL*

## **Detector Requirements** (*Session Chairman – Al Thompson*)

9:00 am Detector Needs and Plans for X-ray Science – *Heinz Graafsma, ESRF*

9:45 am Detector Needs and Plans for FEL Science – *Jerry Hastings, SSRL*

10:30 am Coffee break

11:00 am Detector Needs and Plans for SoftXR/VUV/IR Science – *Howard Padmore, ALS*

11:45 am Overview of Detector Research for SR Science in Europe – *Gareth Derbyshire, Diamond*

## **Imaging Detectors** (*Session Chairman – Denny Mills*)

1:30 pm Analog Pixel Detectors – *Sol Gruner, CHESS*

2:15 pm Drift Detectors for Imaging – *Lothar Strueder, MPI*

3:00 pm Coffee Break

3:45 pm 3D Active Area Pixel Detectors – *Ed Westbrook, MBC*

4:30 pm Charge Coupled Devices – *Peter Denes, LBNL*

5:15 pm Poster Session (Fifth Floor Gallery)

## *Program – Day 2*

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**Friday, December 9, 2005**

**Superconducting Detectors** (*Session Chairman – Sol Gruner*)

9:00 am Bolometer Arrays for High Resolution Spectroscopy – *Kent Irwin, NIST*

9:45 am High-resolution Superconducting Tunnel Junction Detectors – *Stephan Friedrich, LLNL*

10:15 am Coffee Break

**What we can learn from High Energy Physics**

10:45 am ATLAS Detectors – *Maurice Garcia-Sciveres, LBNL*

11:30 am MAPS Detectors – *Grzegorz Deptuch, BNL*

**Other Technology** (*Session Chairman – Al Thompson*)

1:15 pm Si Arrays for Spectroscopy / Diffraction – *Peter Siddons, NSLS*

1:45 pm Channelplate Based Detectors – *Oswald Siegmund, SSL*

2:15 pm Coffee Break

**Roundtable Discussion and Summary**

2:45 pm Discussion and Report Writing

4:00 pm Adjourn

## *Detector Requirements*

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- H. Graafsma described plans for detector development in Europe: parallel readout CCDs; counting PADs; Active Pixel Sensor detectors; Si drift diode arrays; and APD arrays.
- P. Siddons presented J. Hastings talk on detectors being planned for the LCLS: low noise pixel detectors, 120 frames/sec for 6-12 keV; streak cameras; soft x-ray imaging detectors.
- H. Padmore talked about requirements for VUV and soft x-ray detectors for fluorescence spectroscopy and coherent x-ray diffraction microscopy.
- G. Derbyshire detailed the roadmap for detector development in the UK ( [www.srs.ac.uk/srs/publications2.html](http://www.srs.ac.uk/srs/publications2.html) ) and the recently established European collaboration on PADs. Commissioning an industrial bump bonder.

## *Imaging Detectors*

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- S. Gruner described his work on analog pixel detectors for time-resolved radiography, XFEL applications, and low-contrast imaging.
- L. Strüder, MPI Semiconductor Lab – Work on silicon drift diode arrays and pn-CCD detectors, for astronomy, particle physics, and medical imaging applications.
- E. Westbrook presented his work on 3D pixel detectors for macromolecular crystallography: active edges allow tiling many smaller pixel array modules without dead areas.
- P. Denes – (almost) Parallel readout CCD detectors: extrapolation of well-established CCD technology, capable of 200 frames/sec. Can be used in microdiffraction; can be tiled for PX applications.



## *Superconducting Detectors*

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- K. Irwin, NIST – Superconducting bolometer (microcalorimeter) capable of 2.4 eV resolution at 5.9 keV. Currently developing bolometer arrays, including multiplexed semiconductor electronics. Applications in x-ray astronomy and materials analysis. Also developing thin-film refrigerator cooling from 300 mK to 100 mK. ( [qdev.boulder.nist.gov](http://qdev.boulder.nist.gov) )
- S. Friedrich, LLNL – STJs operate at  $T \sim 400$  mK, easier to implement than bolometer. Nb-Al STJ x-ray spectrometer in routine use at ALS, well matched for x-ray absorption spectroscopy applications. Presented roadmap for the development of Ta-Al STJ arrays.

## *Other Technology*

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- P. Siddons – Multi-channel silicon detectors: Si sensor bonded, via long wires, to a low-noise, 32-channel ASIC. The ASIC controller implements EPICS, allowing straightforward beam line integration. These detectors can be used for spectroscopy and diffraction applications.
- O. Siegmund, Space Sciences Lab, UC Berkeley – MCP detectors, 200 mm by 100 mm with 20 um resolution, for x-ray spectroscopy. Future: GaN and diamond photocathodes for improved QE; use Medipix ASIC for significantly faster readout.

# *Discussion and Summary*

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## **General remarks**

- In many instances, cutting-edge science at SR facilities is limited by the available detectors, not by the x-ray flux.
- There is no universal detector. Generic detectors are always a compromise.
- Using only commercially available items is shortsighted.

## **Funding issues**

- Need for a clear detector development roadmap, with strong scientific drivers and facility management support, to present to funding agencies.
- Scientific users of SR facilities have to strongly endorse the roadmap and present the science case to the funding agencies.
- The roadmap should discuss what can be done now, in 5 years, in 10 years, and what are the resources needed and risks assumed in each case.
- Drivers for detector development can also include ease of use, throughput increase, and cost/benefit analysis.
- SR community should set priorities for funding development, not try to do all for all people: agree on a few projects and push them forward through completion.
- Detector development should be facility funded.
- Need streamlined process for sizable funding of demonstration projects (high cost of foundry runs and bump bonding process).

## *Discussion and Summary – continued*

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### **Technical issues**

- Move from integrating to counting detectors to improve S/N.
- Push for new materials: CdZnTe, GaAs, diamond.
- Detectors that fully exploit the time resolved domain should be developed ASAP.
- Reliable bump bonding capabilities available to detector scientists would be a big plus. A small facility could be fully utilized by the SR detector development community. High pitch, high density process is required.
- Must do onboard processing to reduce data rate (large imaging arrays at 100-1000 fps).
- Collaboration can overcome technical problems.

### **Production and commercialization issues**

- Commercialization of detector development projects is a laborious process for both sides. Alternative: make resources available for developers to produce units for other facilities.
- Detector development has to be carried through to the end, a final working product that can be easily integrated into the beam lines has to be delivered. Fully characterizing a newly developed detector is not a trivial matter, but it has to be done if the detector is to make a successful transition to production and routine use.

## *Discussion and Summary – continued*

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### **Summary**

- Workshop organizers will draft report and will update the white paper produced at the 2000 workshop.
- Workshop presentations will be posted:

[www.aps.anl.gov/News/Conferences/2005/Synchrotron\\_Radiation\\_Instrumentation/index.htm](http://www.aps.anl.gov/News/Conferences/2005/Synchrotron_Radiation_Instrumentation/index.htm)