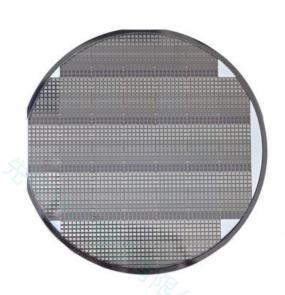


### Mission

Working with our customers we identify, design and deliver low light detection solutions which solve customer problems and add value. We aim to be the partner of choice because of our flexibility, capabilities and the desire to meet our customer needs.





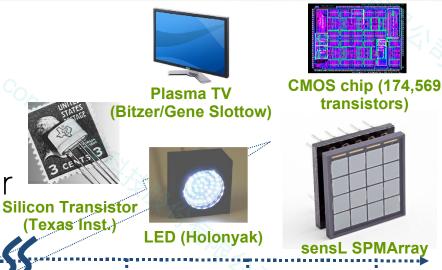






### Motivation

...is to provide a lower cost and technology enabling solid-state alternative to the vacuum tube based photomultiplier tube (PMT)...

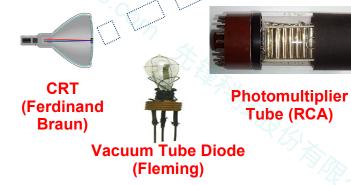


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Tube (RCA)

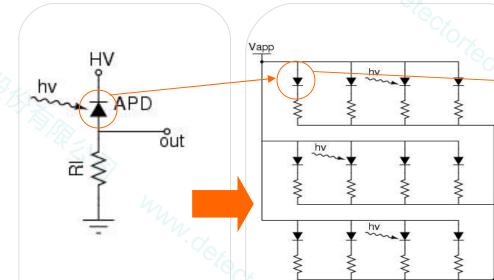
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## Introduction

- Silicon PhotoMultiplier (SPM) detectors are an exciting detector choice for nuclear medicine (PET & SPECT) of various modalities
- These high gain, low voltage, silicon detectors are ideally suited for coupling with scintillation crystals such as LYSO to form a scalable architecture for nuclear medical imaging
- sensL offer a full range of detectors and expertise to assist our customers in the adoption of SPM technology

## SPM concept

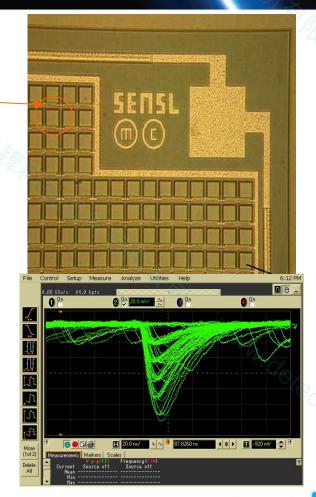
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Geiger mode
Detector
A photon counting
diode detector
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basis for all sensL
products

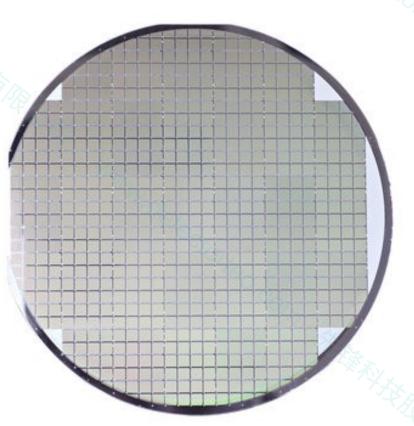
Silicon Photomultiplier (SPM)

By fabricating large arrays of photon counting detectors, sensL create a high gain detector to replace the PMT





# Where does an SPM come from?



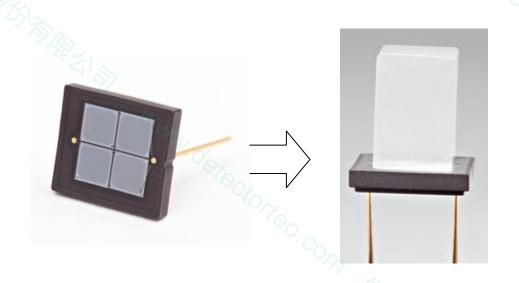
- sensL SPM detectors are bulk manufactured in a ISO9000 controlled semiconductor foundry
- sensL test and package to produce the best SPM products on the market



# Why use SPM detectors?

- Compared to PMT detectors
  - Very small form factor
  - Rugged and immune to magnetic fields and vibrations
  - User safe voltages
  - Similar high gain
- Compared to PIN and APD detectors
  - Much higher gain simpler system design
  - Much lower system cost and power
  - Less sensitive to bias and temperature change
  - Can operate at higher temperatures

# SPM for nuclear medicine



SPM detector in robust ceramic package

Crystal coupled directly to a sensL SPM

SPM detectors detect light from scintillating crystals

Combining a SPM detector with LYSO crystals for example, allows the 511keV photon from a PET scan to be detected



## Nuclear Medicine Modalities

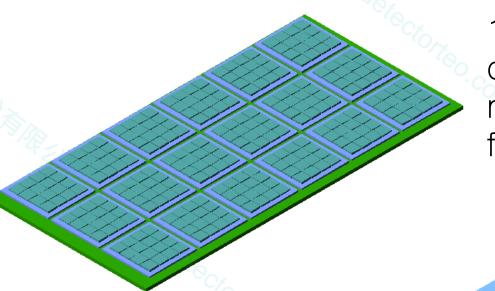
#### PET/MRI

- sensL provides the fullest range of MRI compatible detectors and electronics designed for operation in high Tesla MRI
- Full body PET
  - sensL provides low cost 4-side scalable technology
- Preclinical PET
  - sensL provides flexible pixel and packaging options
- Organ specific PET
  - sensL provides novel packaging and custom configurations
- In-vivo PET / Gamma Cameras
  - sensL is the leading supplier of low operating voltage SPM
- SPECT
  - sensL provides miniature detectors ideal for compact SPECT





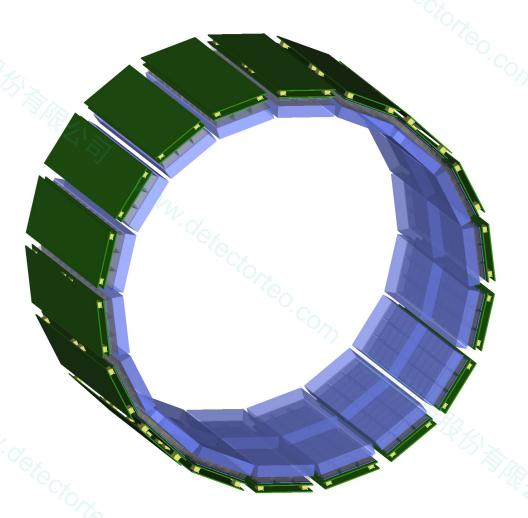
# Building a PET module



1) Arrays of SPM detectors can be mounted to cover a large field of view

2) Coupling of the scintillation crystals to the SPM detector yields a compact detection head

## PET full ring



### sensL's SPM provides:

- √ energy resolution
- √ spatial resolution
- √ timing
- √ high gain
- magnetic field operation required by PET systems

## Readout electronics



http://openpet.lbl.gov/

### For researchers

 sensL are a founding member of the openPET readout architecture group

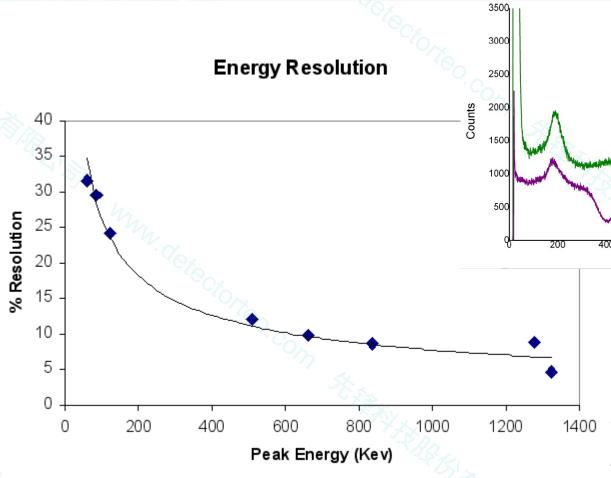
### For OEMs

 sensL work directly with OEMs to provide a scalable fully digital system

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## **Energy resolution**

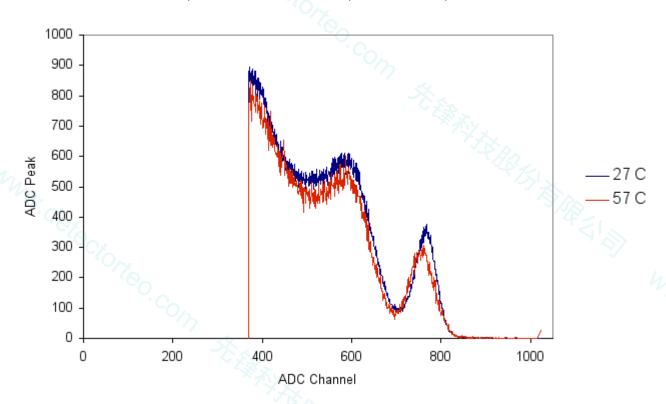


sensL SPM are ideal for detection of common high energy sources and particles

Energy (keV)

# Temperature stability

Cs-137 Spectra Taken With Temperature Compensated Bias

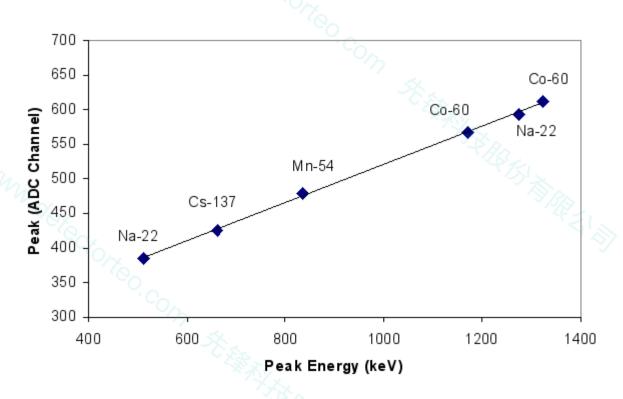


Operation can be stabilized over a wide temperature range



# Linearity

#### **Detection Linearity**

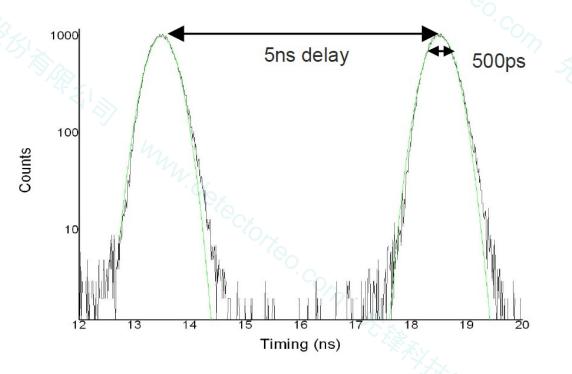


Linearity up to 3MeV



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## Timing resolution



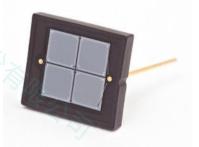
Coincidence resolving time (CRT) suitable for standard nuclear medical systems with sub nanosecond timing resolution



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# Products for nuclear medicine

#### **Detector Products**



SPMMicro 1mm, 3mm & 6mm



SPMArray2 (glass)
3-side scalable
16 element detector



SPMArray4 (ceramic)
4-side scalable
16 element detector

### Evaluation Kits



SPMArray Eval Board



ScintPack1
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### **SPMMicro**



#### Features

- 1mm, 3mm, 6mm diameter
- 35um, 50um, 100um microcell size
- Low voltage operation (~30V)
- Unmatched breakdown voltage uniformity
- Ceramic package with epoxy coating
- Optional amplifier board with power supply for system test and prototyping
- Designed for miniaturized systems and for initial testing of SPM technology at the pixel level

# SPMArray2 (glass)









#### Features

- 3-side scalable design
- 16 channels
- Ideal for depth of interaction
   subject side mounting
   possible
- MRI compatible
- Cable lengths up to 3m
- 16 channel preamplifier option
- evaluation board option
- Ideal for depth of interaction and space critical applications

## SPMArray4 (ceramic)







#### Features

- 4-side scalable design
- 16 channels single power supply
- Ceramic package with epoxy coating
- Designed for simultaneous
   MRI compatibility to 3 Tesla
- 16 channel preamplifier option
- Evaluation board option
- Designed for large area scalable applications

## **ScintPack1**



#### Features

- 3mm and 6mm SPM detectors
- LYSO, BGO and Csl(Tl) crystal samples
- Mounting grease in syringe
- Amplifier board with power supply
- Instruction manual
- Allows the user to get up to speed and rapid prototype with sensL SPM technology

## **Conclusions**

- sensL provide the most comprehensive SPM portfolio on the market
- sensL's SPM detectors are ideal for OEM and research nuclear medicine systems where users require performance, flexibility and manufacturability
- Benefits to our customers: uniformity, low volume system cost, high performance, robustness, reliability, low operating voltages, high volume and scalable technology