

# X-ray Optics for Astrophysical Applications

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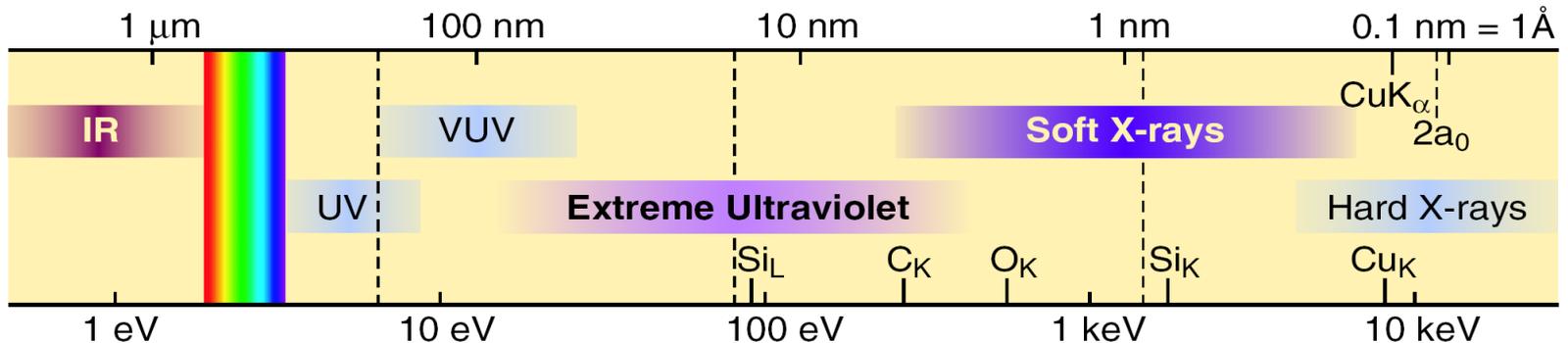
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# Introduction

- X-ray spectrum
- X-ray grazing incidence optics in Czech Republic
- X-ray grazing incidence optics basics
- Rotational symmetric and Multi-foil X-ray mirrors
- Selected space applications of X-ray mirrors

# Electromagnetic radiation spectrum



D. T. Attwood *Soft X-rays and Extreme Ultraviolet Radiation: Principles and Applications* (Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1999)

**13.5 nm / 92 eV**

**EUV Lithography**

**6.2 nm / 200 eV**

**BEUV Lithography**

**2.34 – 4.39 nm / 283 – 531 eV**

**Water Window Microscopy**

**5 – 17 keV**

**X-ray Microscopy**

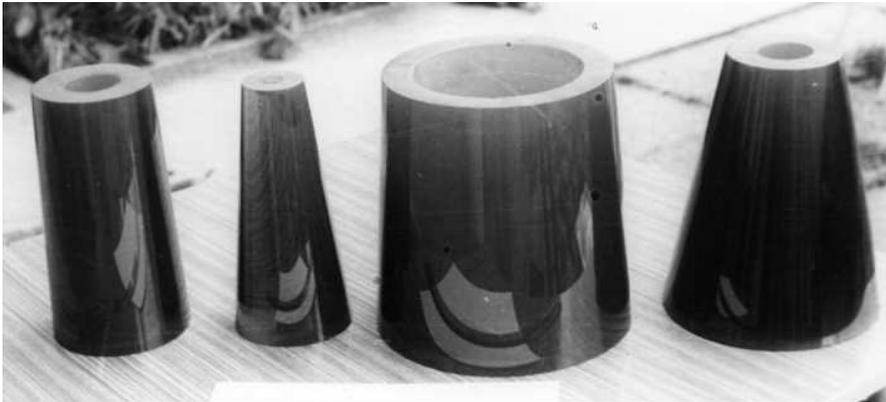
**Laboratory**



**50 eV – 10 keV Space applications**

# Grazing Incidence (GI) replicated X-ray Optics 49 years of research and development in Czech Republic

## Replication Technology for X-ray Optics Manufacturing



**Mandrels used for the manufacture of X-ray mirrors  
(Glass ceramics Sital, Acad of Sci, Prague, 1969)**



**Replicated X-ray mirrors (hyperbolas,  
Ni surfaces, Acad of Sci, Prague)**

# History – milestones and examples of projects

(Academy of Science, Czech Technical University, Reflex, Rigaku)

- **1969 First considerations started**
- **1970 First X-ray mirror produced (Wolter 1, 50 mm)**
- **1971 Wolter 1, 80 mm**
- **1976 Wolter 1, 115 mm**
- **1979 First mirrors flown in space (two Wolter 50 mm, Vertikal 9 rocket)**
- **1980 Vertikal 11 rocket (two Wolter 50 mm)**
- **1981 First large Wolter mirror (240 mm)**
- **1981 Salyut 7 orbital station (Wolter 240 mm nested)**
- **1985 Applications for plasma physics, EH 17 mm, PP 20 mm**
- **1987 First high quality X-ray foils for foil mirror X-ray telescope (SODART)**
- **1988 Fobos 1 Mars probe, TEREK X-Ray Telescope**
- **1989 KORONAS I X-ray mirror, Wolter 80 mm**
- **1990 First Micromirror (aperture less than 1 mm, Bede Ltd.)**
- **1993 Collaboration with SAO, USA, WF X-ray optics started**
- **1996 First Lobster Eye test module produced, Schmidt geometry**
- **1997 Double-sided X-ray reflecting flats (SAO MA USA, CTU Prague)**
- **1997 Lobster Eye Angel geometry project started**
- **1999 First Lobster Eye test module produced, Angel geometry**
- **2001 Thin segmented X-ray mirrors**
- **2005 Replicated Image Slicers for LEO, EU FP6 projects, Cambridge**
- **2006 MFO Kirkpatrick-Baez optic, University of Boulder, CO, NASA, USA**
- **2007 Innovative technologies for X-ray telescopes, PECS, ESA XEUS projects**
- **2008 – 2018 EUV/BEUV/WW/SXR/XR Grazing Incidence mirrors ...**

# Examples of Imaging GI X-ray optics

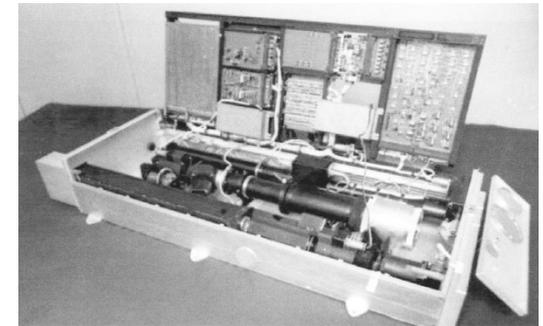


X-ray image of the laser plasma by the 17 mm EH microscope (IPPLM Warsaw)



1985

Applications for plasma physics  
(EH 17 mm, PP 20 mm)



1988

FOBOS 1 Mars probe,  
TEREK X-ray telescope

1989

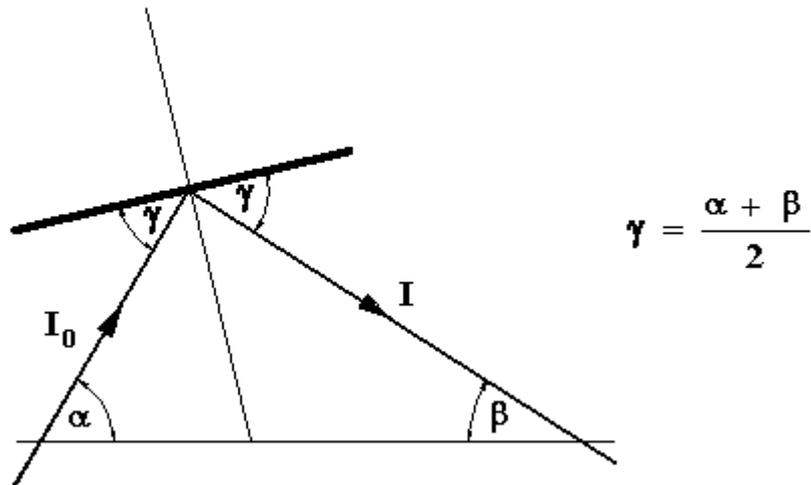
KORONAS I  
(Wolter 80 mm)



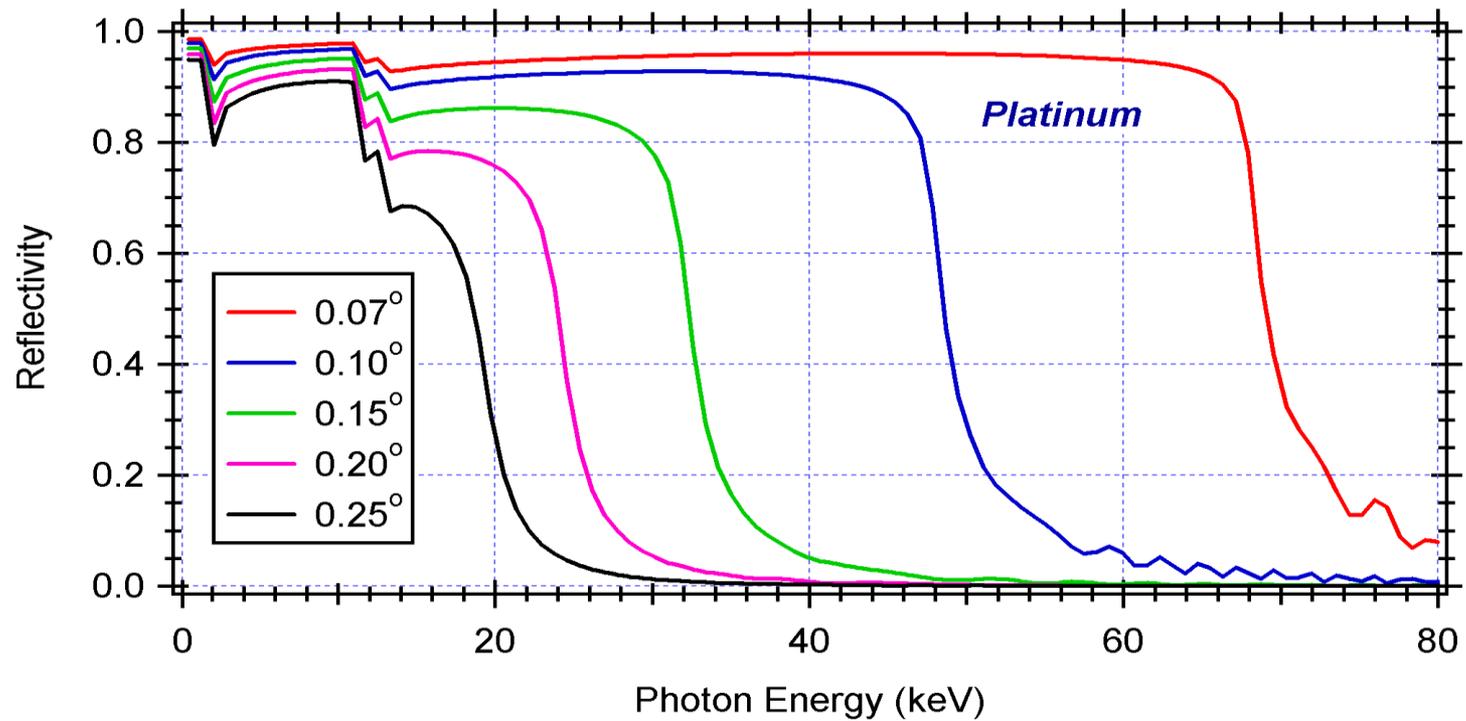
# **GRAZING INCIDENCE X-RAY MIRRORS**

# Flat X-ray Mirror

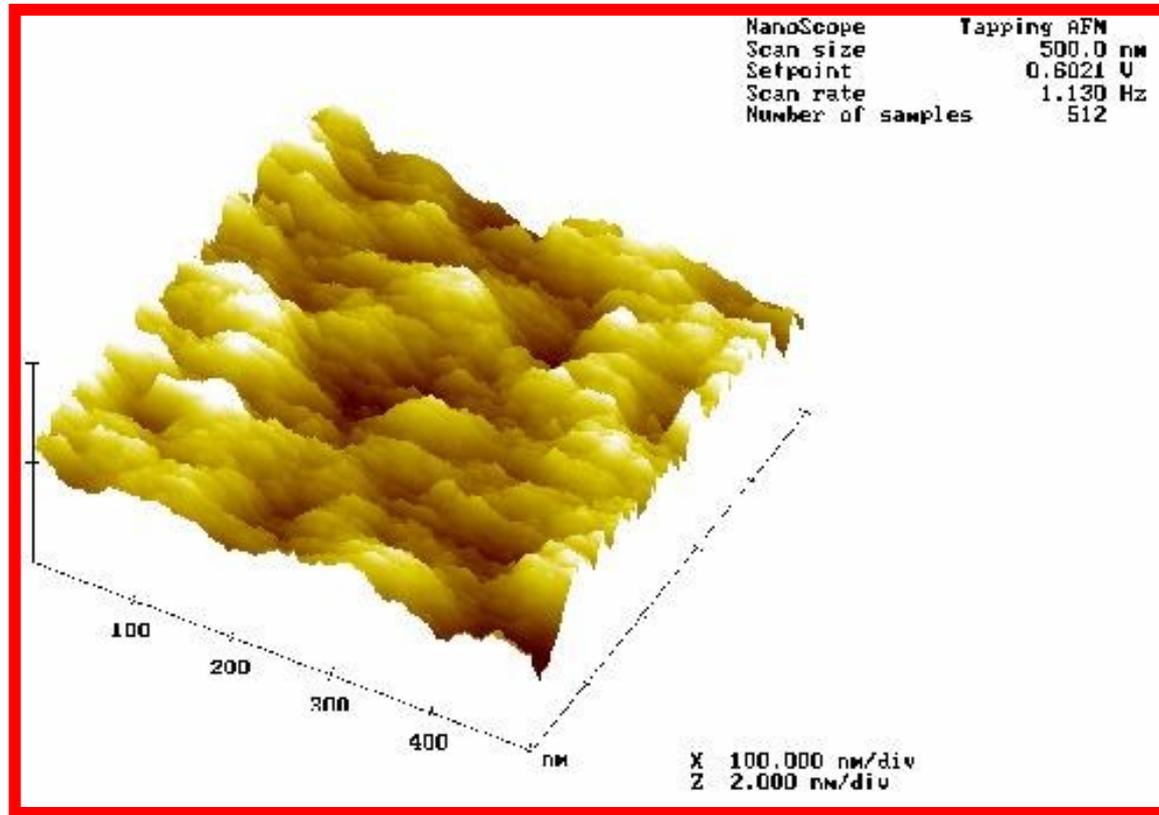
*FLAT MIRROR*



# Variation of reflectivity with X-ray energy and grazing angle (Pt)



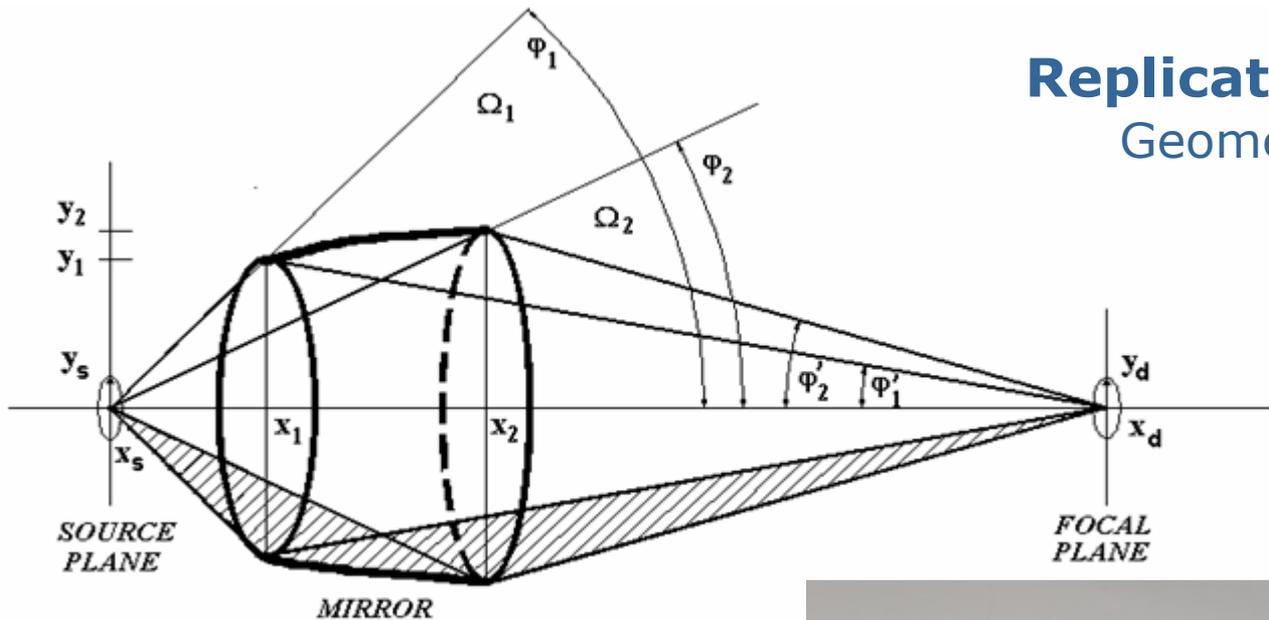
# Microroughness of of Au coated X-ray mirror (AFM)



Tapping AFM images of the surface of the double - sided flats developed for Schmidt lobster-eye telescopes. The resulting microroughness RMS is 0.3 nm. Test facility at the Astronomical Observatory in Brera, Italy.

# Replicated GI Mirrors

## Geometry and size



### Example: Elliptical mirror

- Mirror surface has shape of rotational ellipsoid
- Source is placed in left focus
- Detector or sample is placed in right focus
- Radiation strikes mirror surface at grazing angles  $0,5^\circ \div 20^\circ$
- Mirror is focusing radiation from left focus on right focus



# Replication technology

- Replication technology developments in the Czechoslovak Acad. of Sci., National Research Institute for Materials (1969)

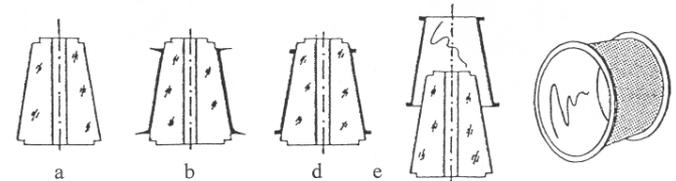
- 2-3 mirrors from one master

- Improvement of replication technology:

- less damage of mandrel
- reduced weight

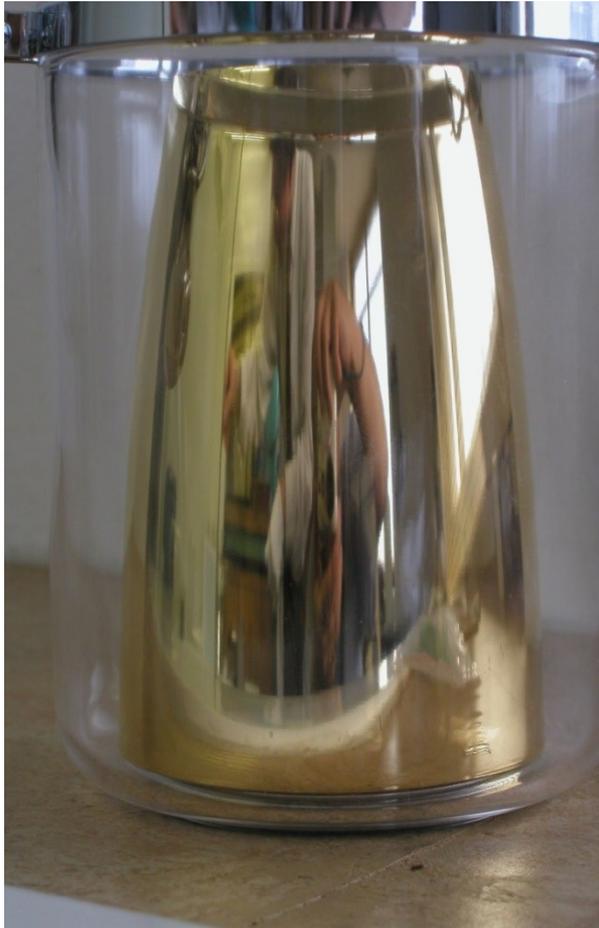
- Laboratory and space applications

- Wolter objectives 17 mm and 20 mm dia
- EH Wolter used (1985) for taking photographs of laser plasma in Institute of Plasma Physics and Laser Microfusion in Warsaw



- a - master,
- b - master with electroformed nickel layer
- d - cutting/finishing of the edges
- e - removing the Ni mirror shell

# Replication technology

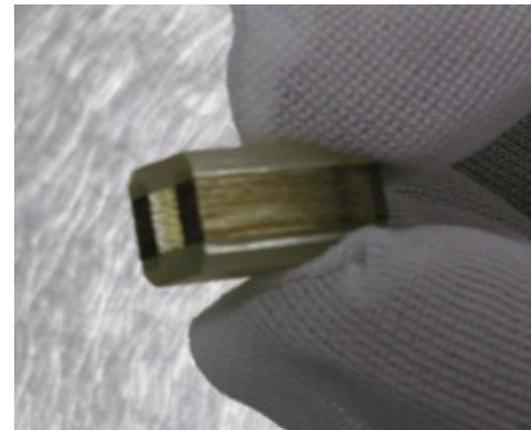


MANDREL  
with Au surface  
layer

Ellipsoidal mirror for  
spectral region  
10 – 15 nm

## Now manufactured by Rigaku Innovative Technologies Europe

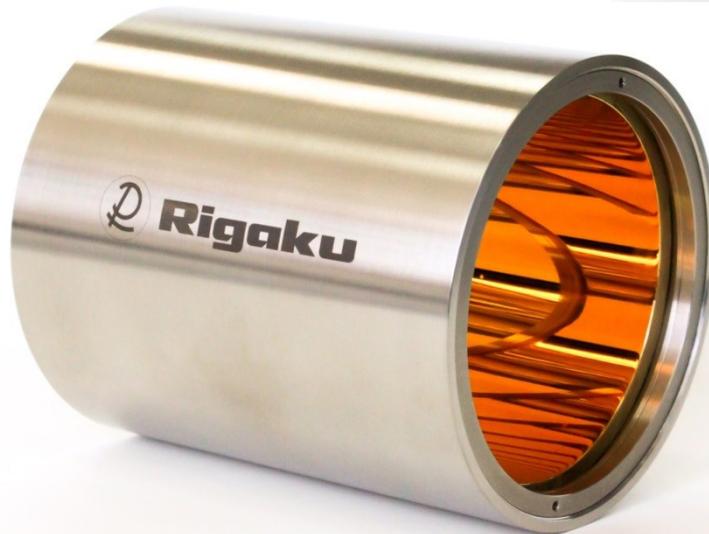
- A part of Rigaku Corporation group (Tokyo, Japan)
- Established in 2008 as European center for the design, development and manufacturing of **X-ray optics**, **X-ray detectors** and **X-ray sources**
- Collaboration with Czech academic institutions and high-tech companies
- Ellipsoidal and parabolic optics for EUV/BEUV/WW/SXR/XR  
(laser plasma research, EUVL, WW and X-ray microscopy, space, ...)
- Slope error < 10 arcsec (5"), microroughness < 2 nm (0.5 nm)



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## Replicated GI Mirrors

**Ellipsoidal GI mirror  
for WW application  
(2.3 – 4.4 nm)**



**Ellipsoidal GI mirror  
For EUVL  
applications  
(10-15 nm)**

**Ellipsoidal GI EUV mirror for 13.5 nm**



## **GI EUV Mirrors**



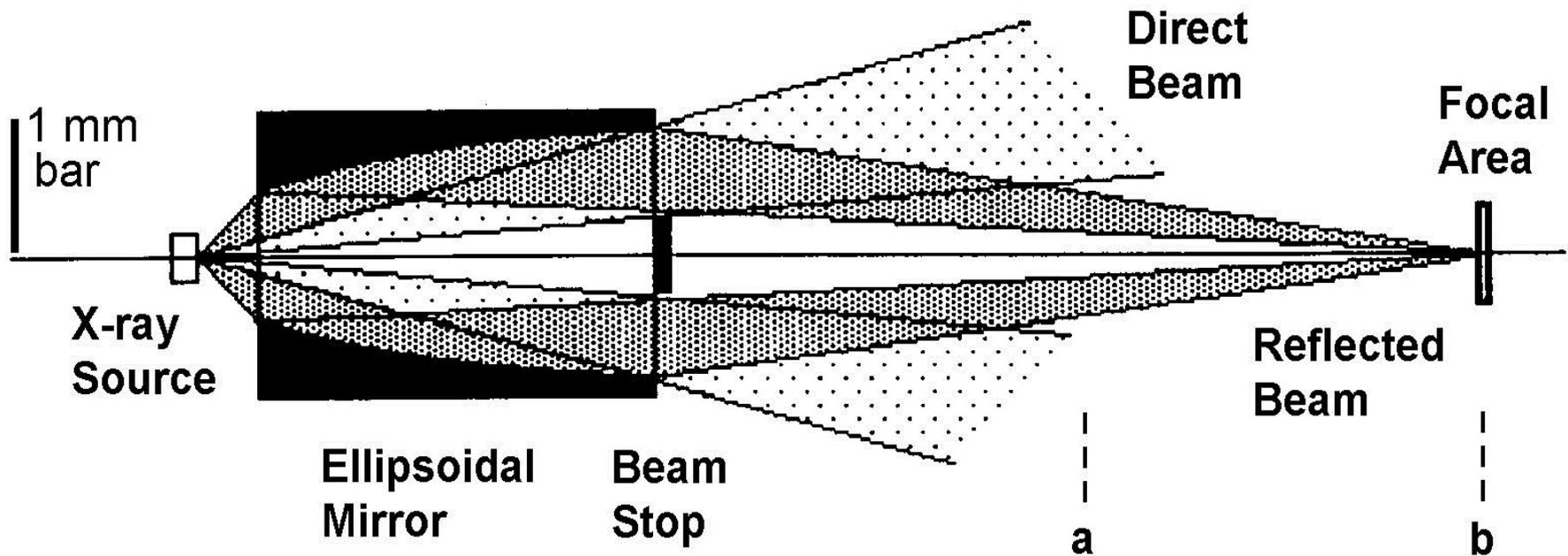
**Ellipsoidal GI EUV mirror for 13.5 nm**

# Replicated GI Mirrors for Imaging and Analysis

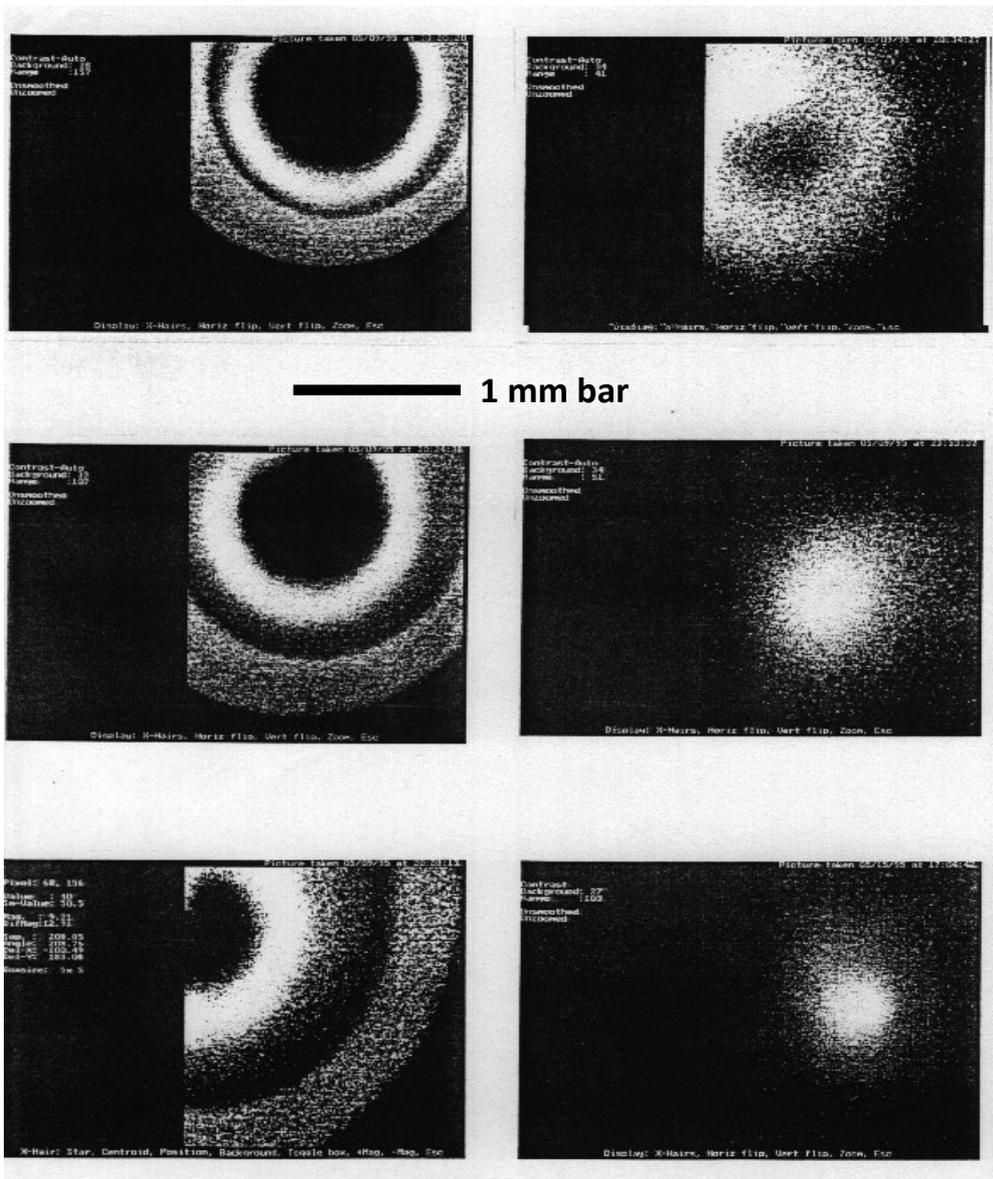
# Ellipsoidal optic for 8 keV microfocus source

0 mm Y-AXIS IN THE SAME SCALE AS X-AXIS 400 mm

Y-AXIS NOT IN THE SAME SCALE AS X-AXIS



# Ellipsoidal optic for 8 keV microfocus source

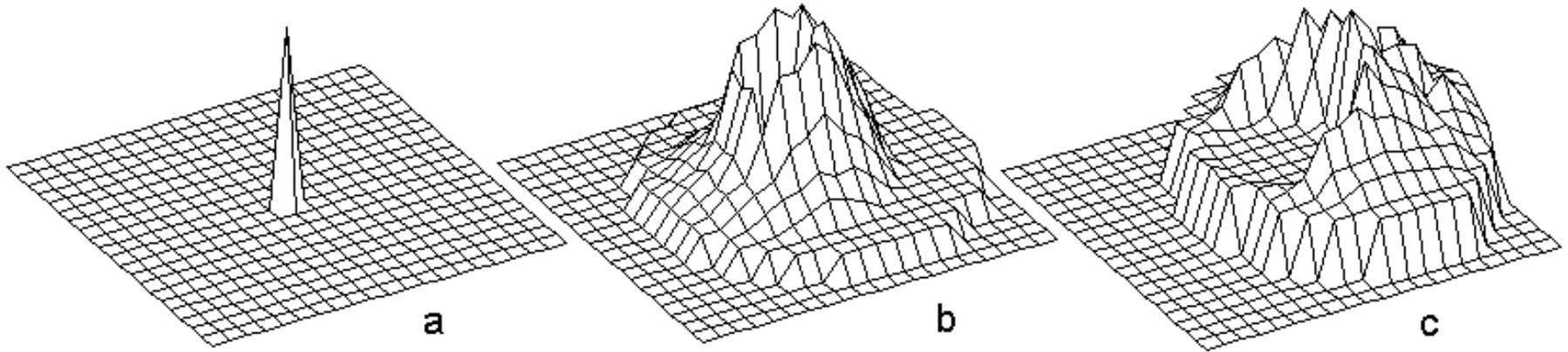


A series of X-ray beam images behind the output of ellipsoidal mirror with beam stop on the axis.

Converging reflected beam and diverging direct beam are clearly distinguishable.

# Ellipsoidal optic for 8 keV microfocus source

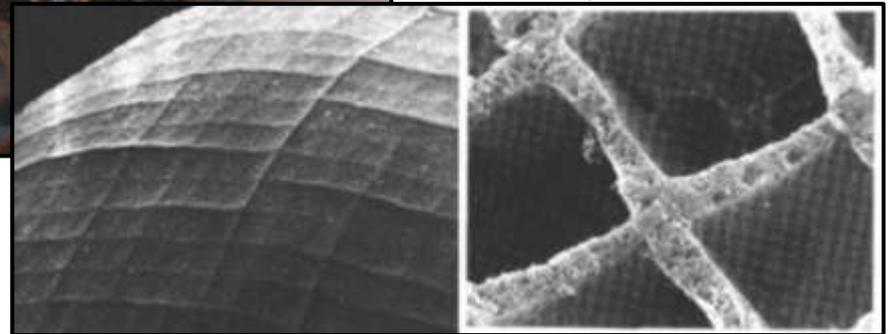
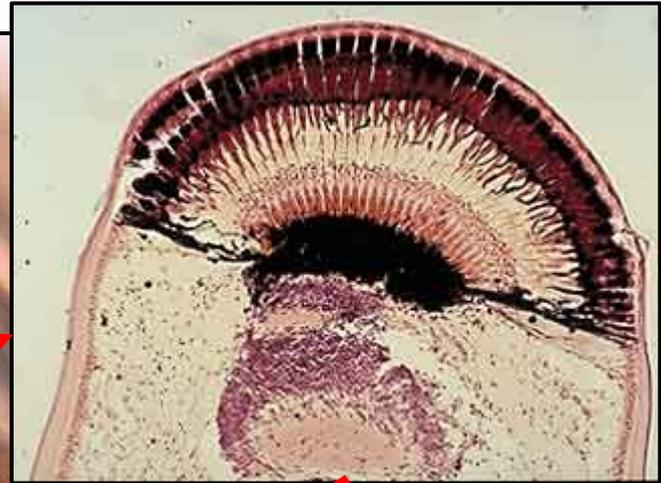
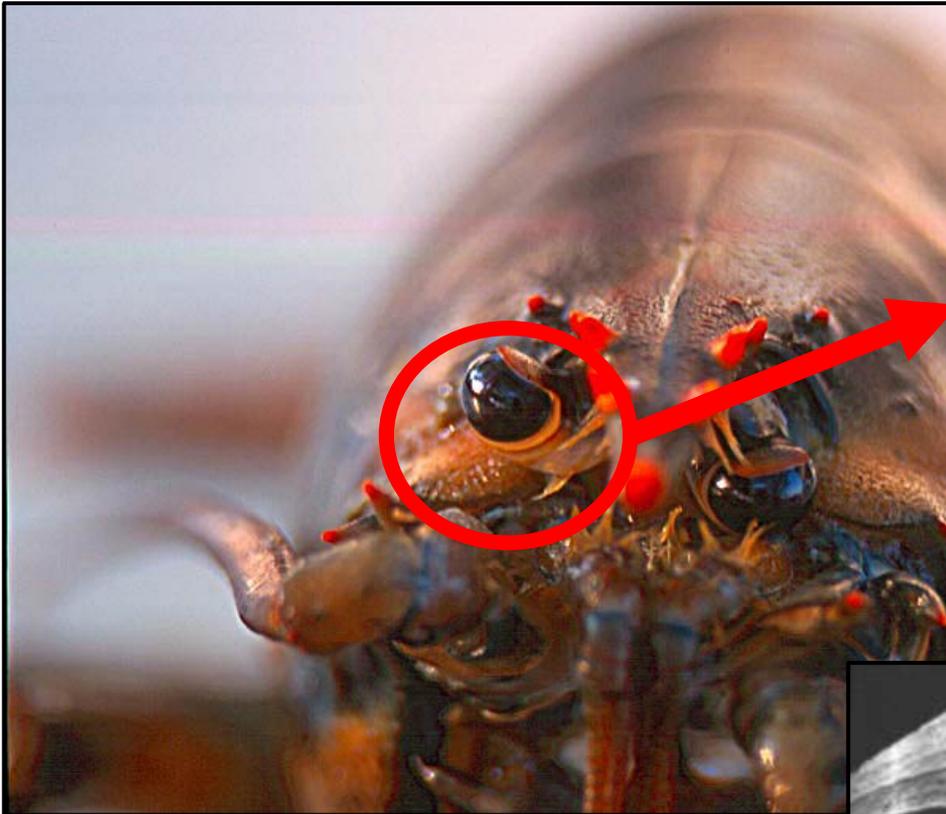
## Focal spots for off-axis source position (ray-tracing model)



Graphs a to c showing the effect of point-like X-ray source off-axis displacement on the detector intensity distribution for ellipsoidal mirror.

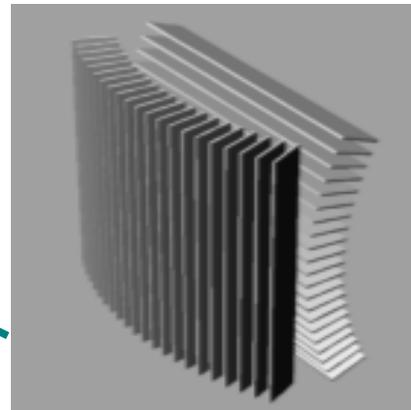
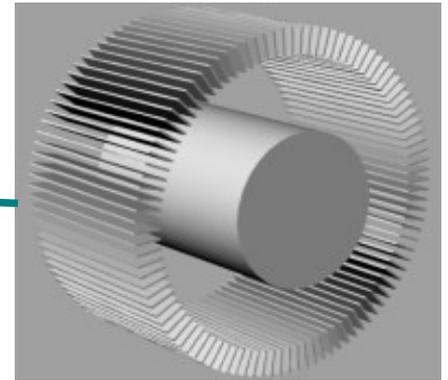
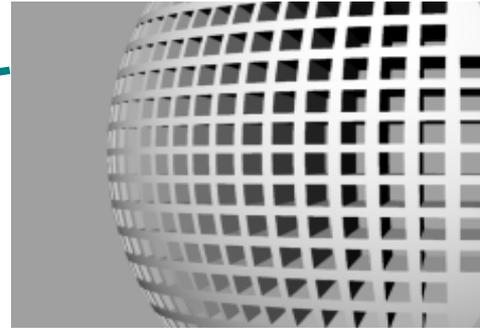
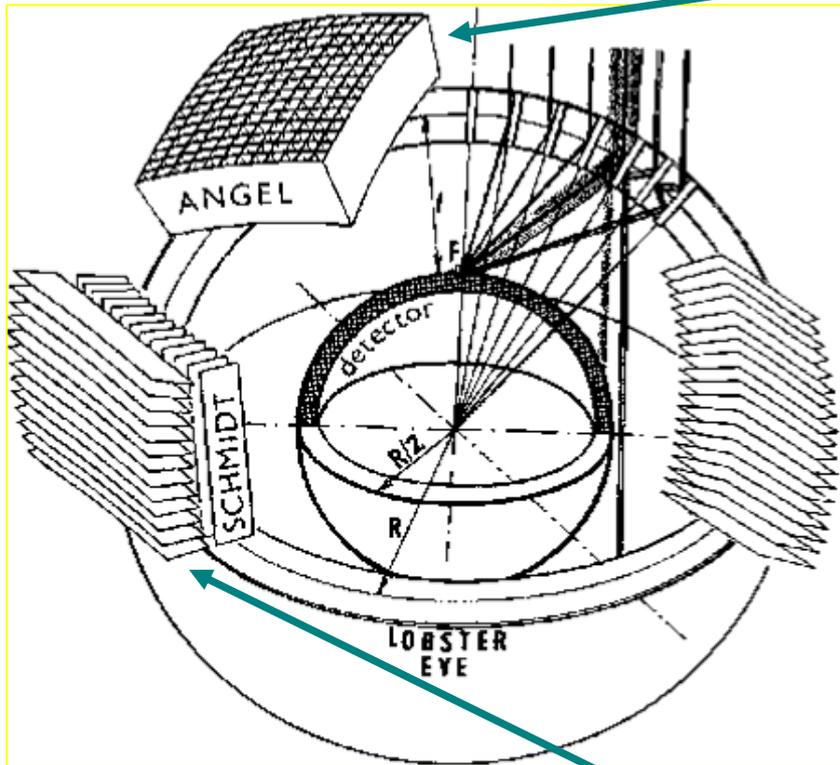
- a – 0  $\mu\text{m}$  source displacement,
- b – 200  $\mu\text{m}$  displacement,
- c – 400  $\mu\text{m}$  displacement.

# Lobster Eye

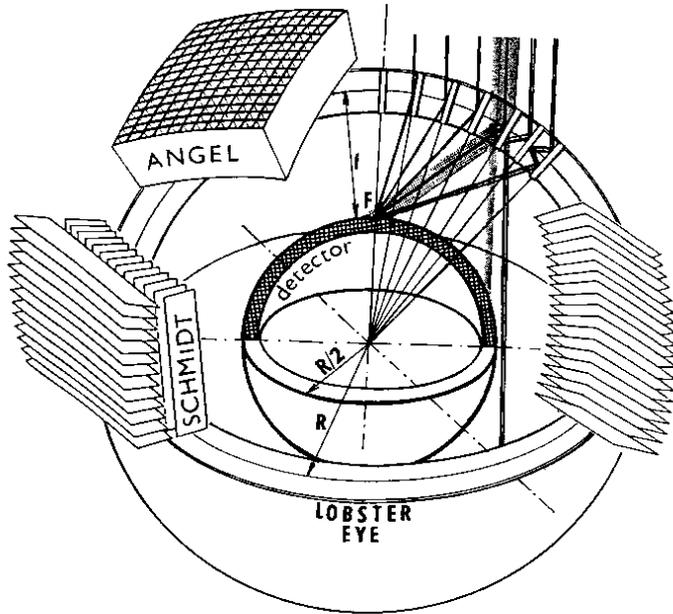


**Channels – optical elements**  
**Wide field optic**

# Lobster Eye (MFO) Optic Concepts

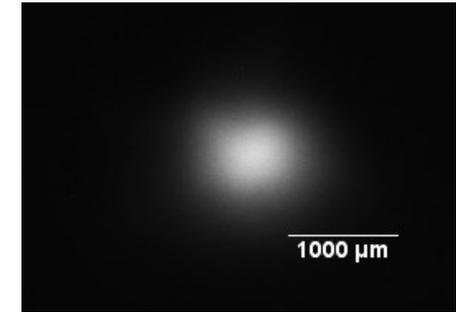


# RITE multifoil optics



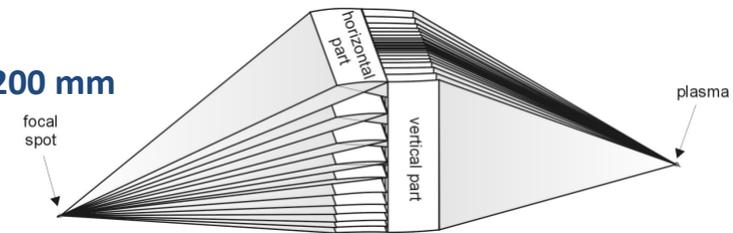
## Wide FOV

- Glass or silicon substrates
- Planar or ellipsoidal mirrors
- Foils 3×3 mm to 300×300 mm
- Thickness from 30 μm – 1 mm
- Wavelength: EUV – soft X-ray
- Surface: Au, Ni, Mo, Pt, W, ...



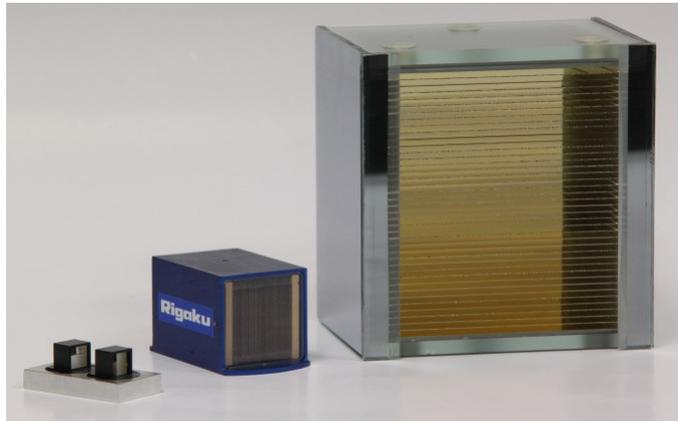
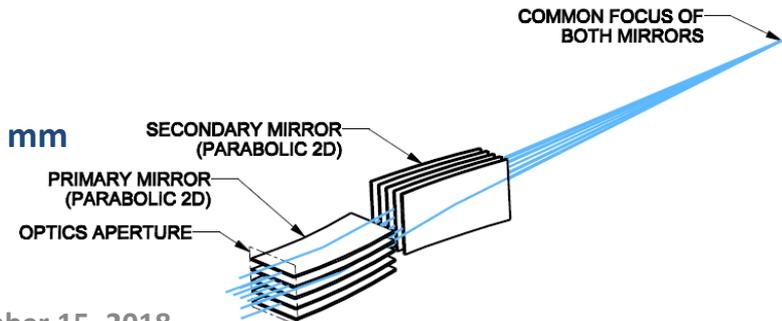
## Lobster Eye

- 5 – 10 keV
- Focal length: 1000 – 1200 mm
- Imaging: 1:1
- Spot size: 0.5 mm
- FOV: 2°



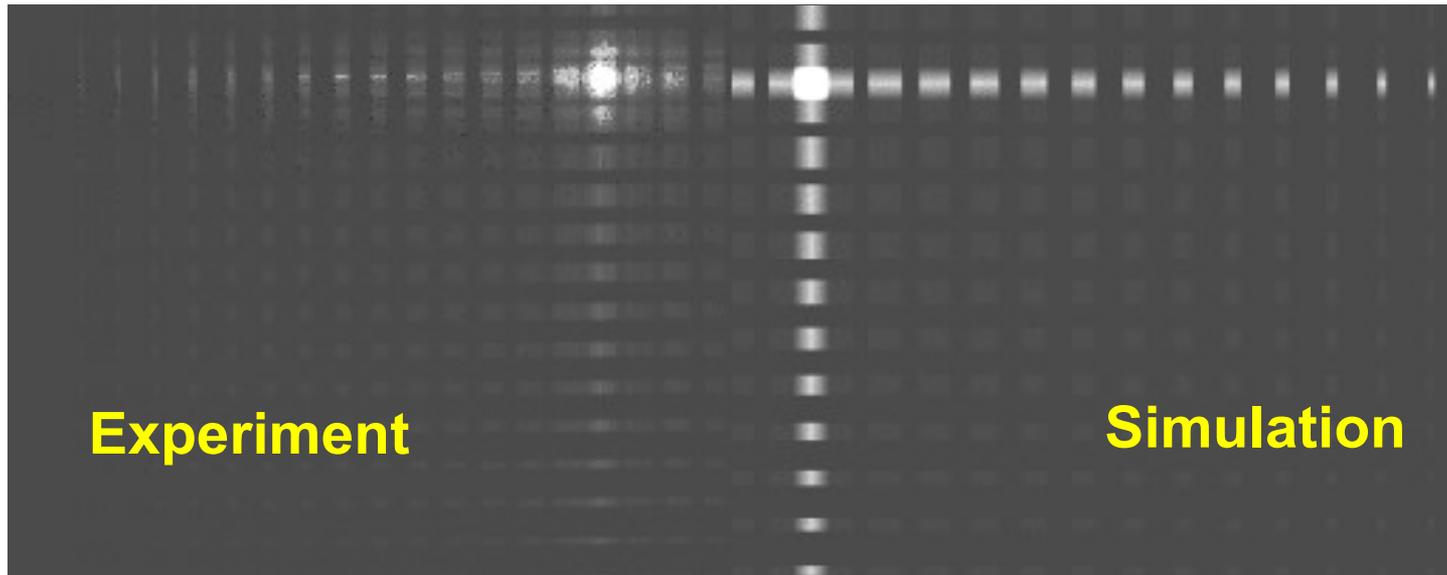
## MFO KB system

- 80 – 120 eV
- FOV: 20°
- Spot size: 0.5 – 1.0 mm

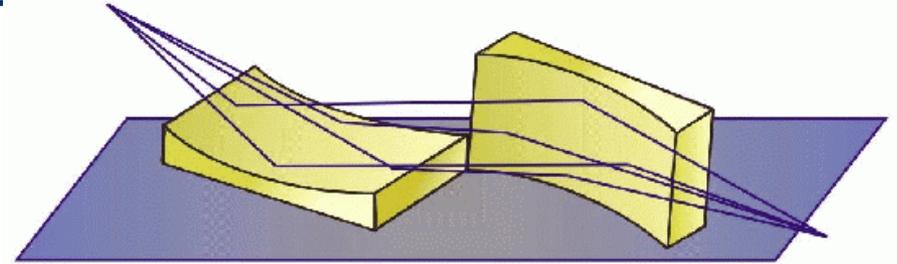
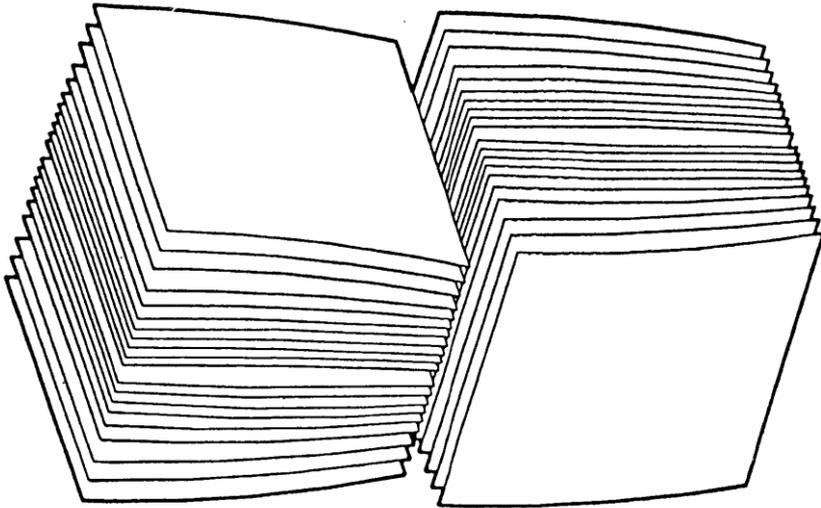


# X-ray LE - experiment vs theory

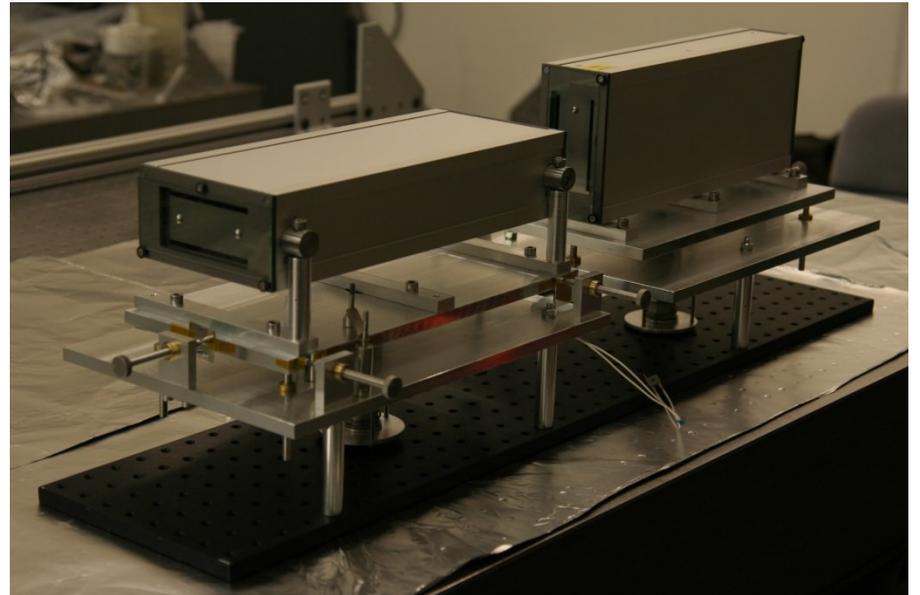
- Point-to-point focusing system
- Source: 20  $\mu\text{m}$  size, 8 keV photons
- Source-detector distance: 1.2 m, 8 keV photons
- Detector: 512x512 pixels, 24x24  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel size
- Intensity Gain:  $G=570$  (experiment) vs.  $G=584$  (comp. simulation)



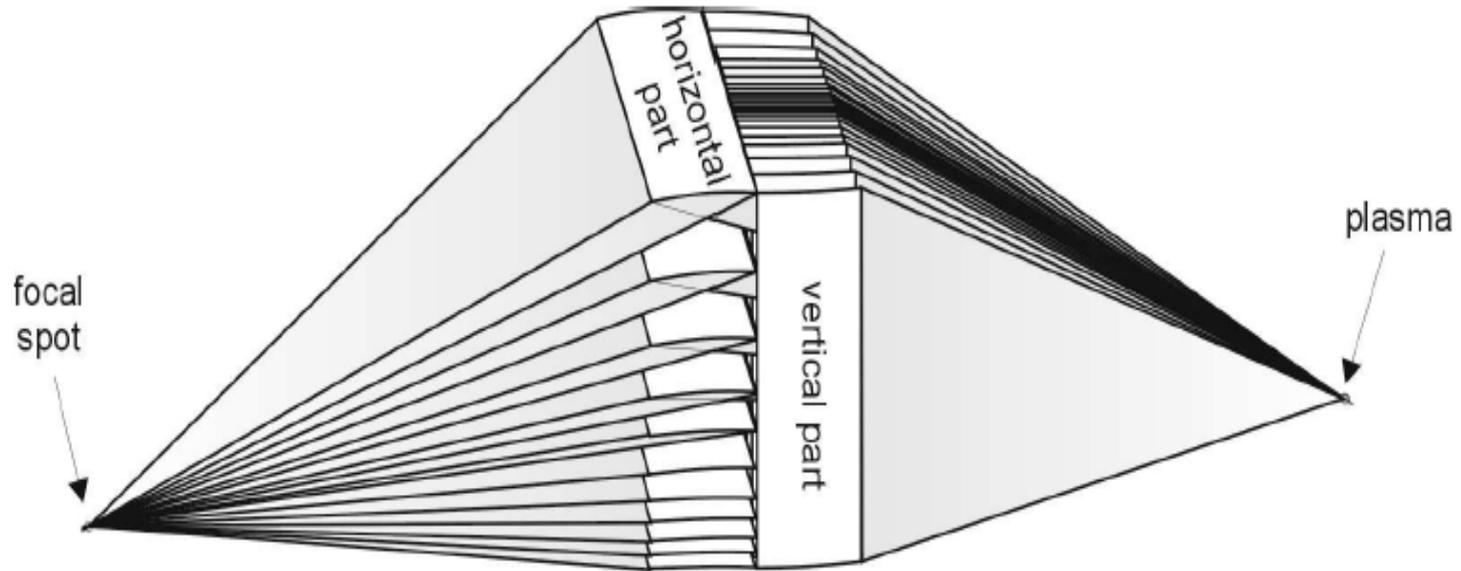
# Multifoil optics – Kirkpatrick-Baez Arrangement



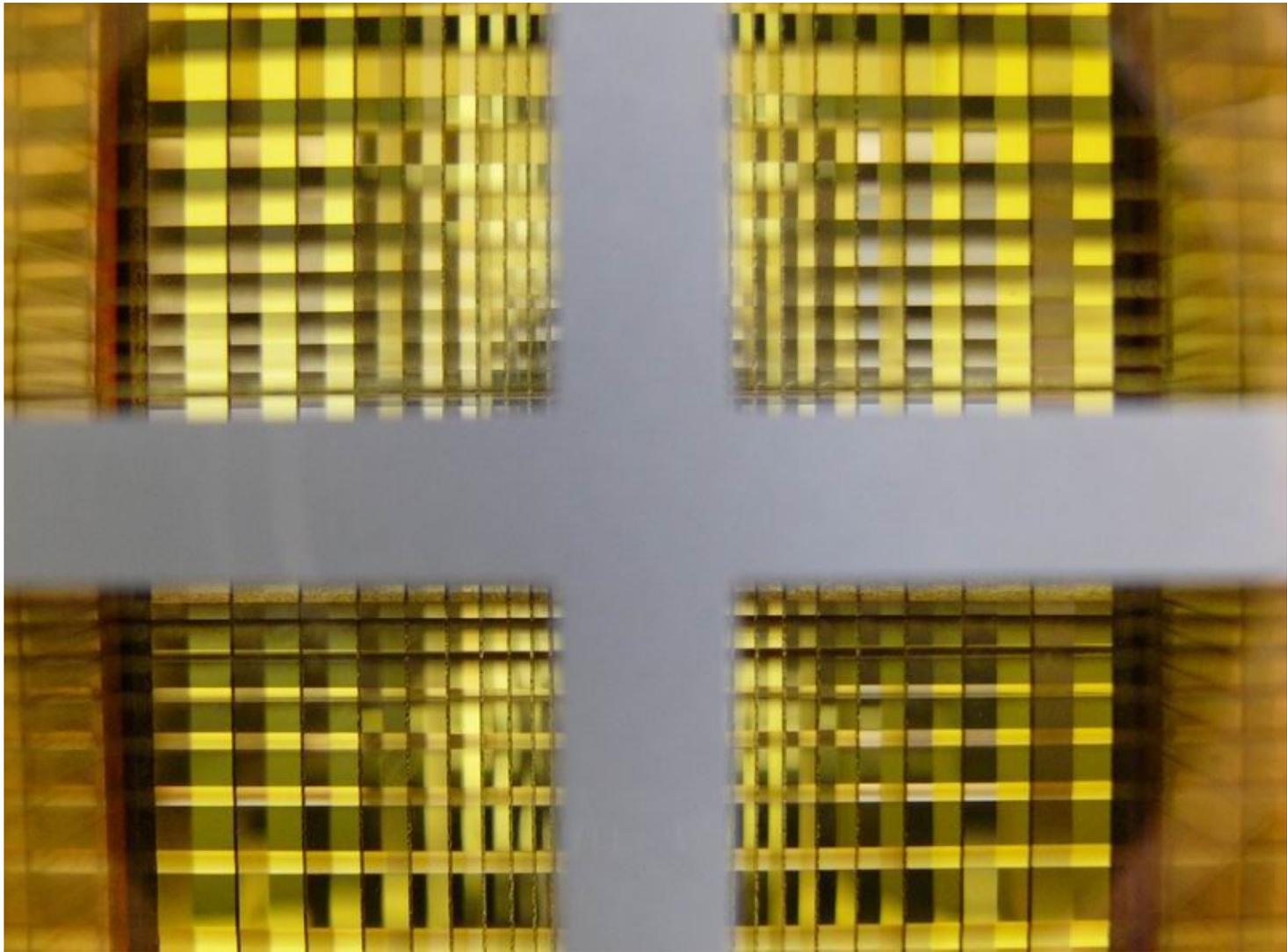
**Kirkpatrick-Baez mirror consisting of orthogonal stacks of reflectors. Each reflector a parabola in one dimension.**



# Focusing of XUV radiation and XUV modification of materials (experiments at CTU, PALS and WAT)



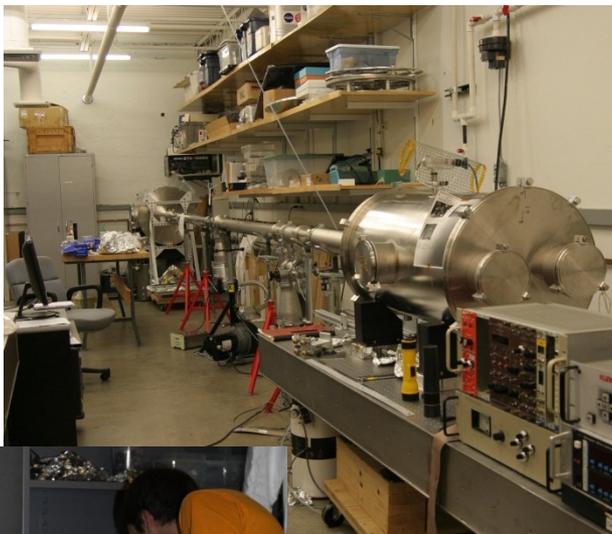
**Schematic view of one half of the multi-foil (MFO) XUV bifacial Kirkpatrick-Baez condenser – experiments at WAT, Warsaw.**



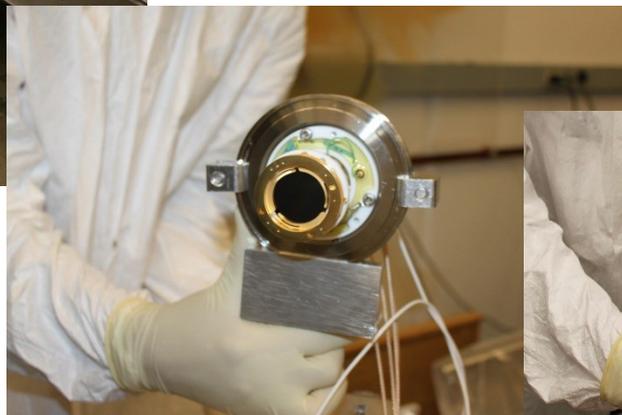
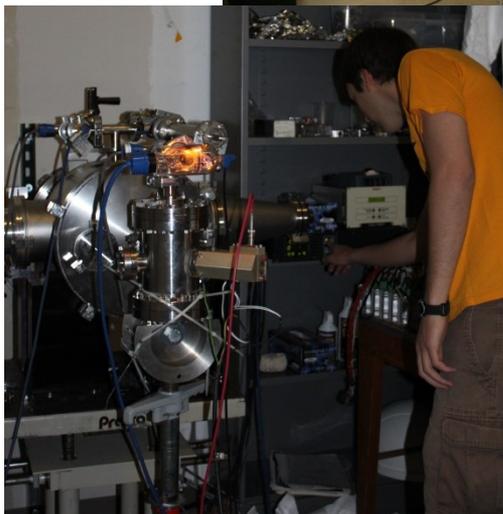
## **MF K-B system for EUV lithography**

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# Vacuum chamber at CASA UC – testing in 2014

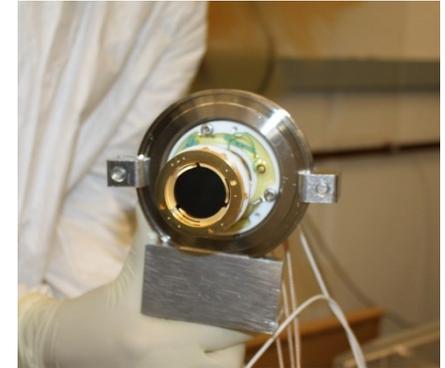


- X-Ray source with Ti anode (L $\alpha$ , 453 eV, 2.73 nm)
- X-Ray beam diameter (diameter of vacuum tube) 8 cm
- Total vacuum chamber length 20 m
- MCP detector, diameter 1''
- TIMEPIX detector, (MEDIPIX )

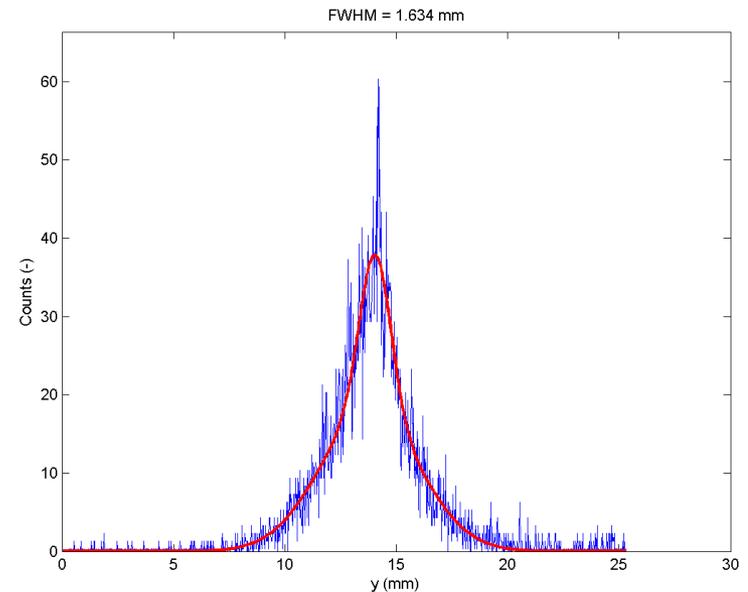
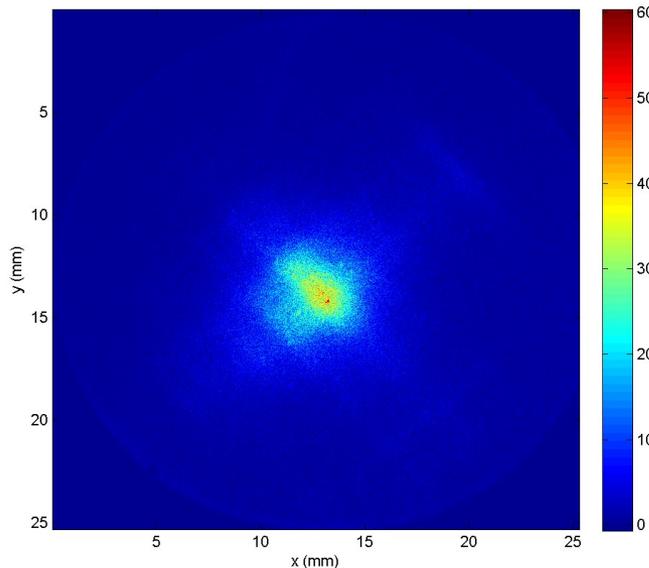


# KB modules - test results

- MCP detector, diameter 1''
- Energy of X-rays: **453 eV**
- FWHM = 1.63 mm



Angular resolution: **10.2 arcsec** (after ellips. correction)



# Optics for rocket experiment – testing in 2015

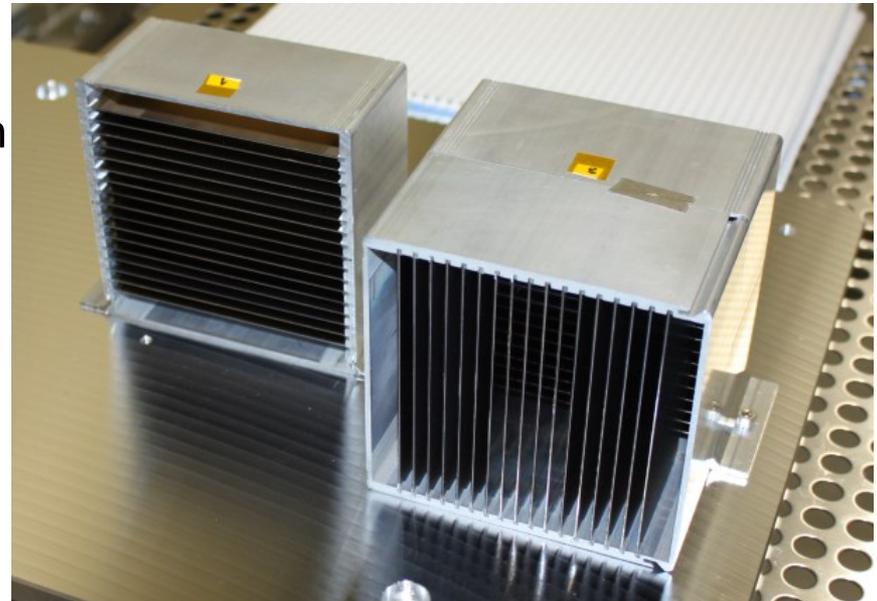


- X-ray testing with Timepix detector in vacuum chamber at the **University of Iowa**
- Energy: **8 keV (Cu  $K\alpha$ )**  
**1.25 keV (Mg  $K\alpha$ )**
- Source-to-detector distance: 10 m



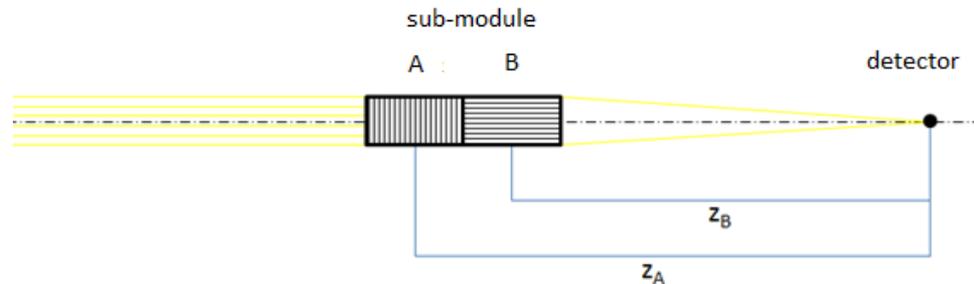
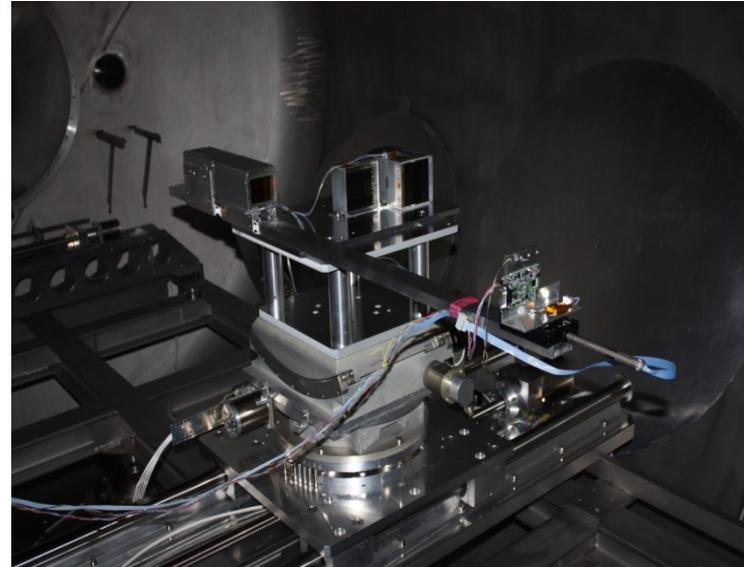
# KB modules for Panter experiments

- Requirements:
  1. Calculated angular resolution using ray tracing should be better than 5 arcsec
  2. Possibility of testing at higher energies (1.5-30 keV),
- Commercially available 625  $\mu\text{m}$  thick Si wafers with Au surface coating
- Foils arranged into planar-elliptical shape with axial symmetry
- Foils size 100  $\times$  50 mm
- Spacing 4.5 mm
- Modules were redesigned for vacuum chamber at Panter facility, MPI



# Panter experiments

- Source Energies:
  - Al  $K\alpha$  (1.49 eV)
  - Ti  $K\alpha$  (4.51 eV)/ Ti  $K\beta$  (4.93 eV)
  - Cu  $K\alpha$  (8.04 eV)
- Detector:
  - TroPIC detector
  - 256x256 px (75  $\mu\text{m}$  pixel size)
  - Exposure time: 15 min



# Source spectra

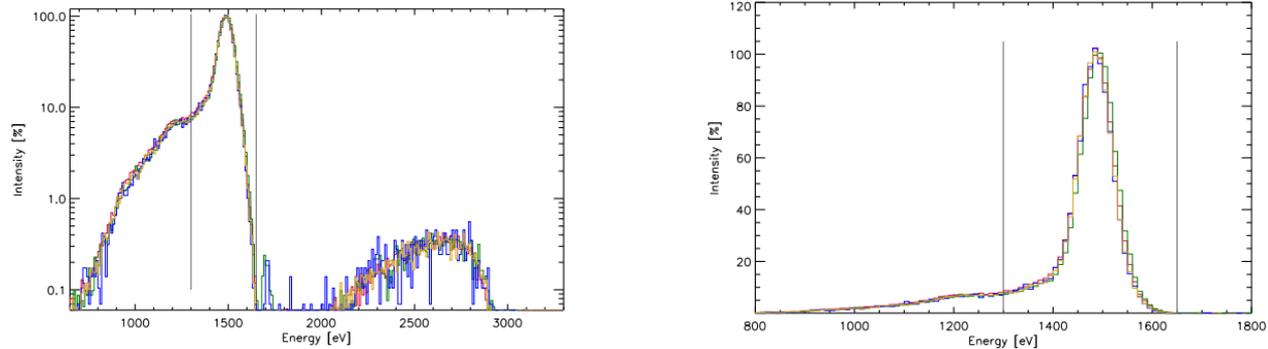


Figure 5: Spectrum – Al  $K\alpha$ , 1.49 keV @PANTER (left – range from 700 to 3300 eV, right – detail 800 – 1800 eV)

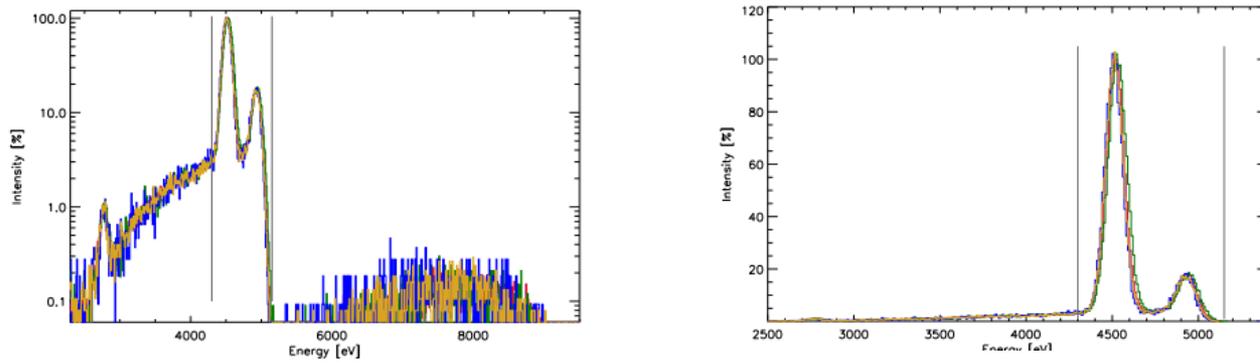


Figure 6: Spectrum – Ti  $K\alpha$  4.51 keV/Ti  $K\beta$  4.93 keV @PANTER (left – range from 2500 to 10000 eV, right – detail 2500 – 5400 eV)

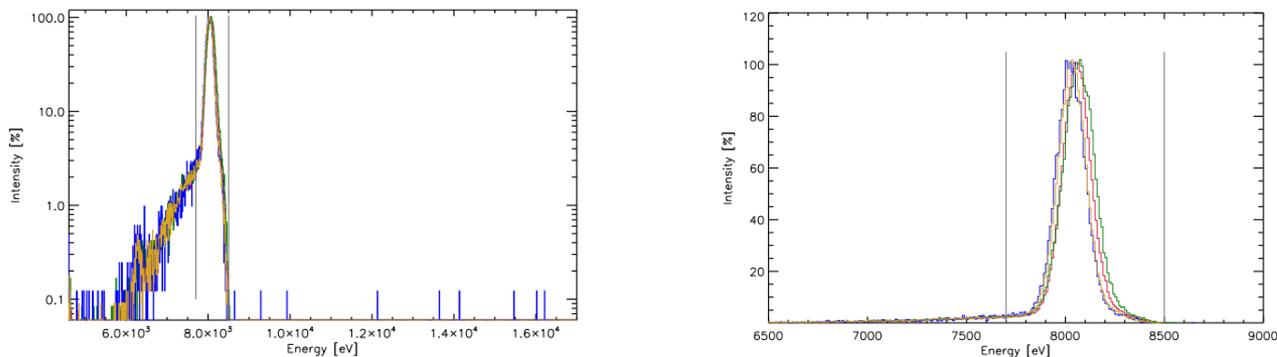
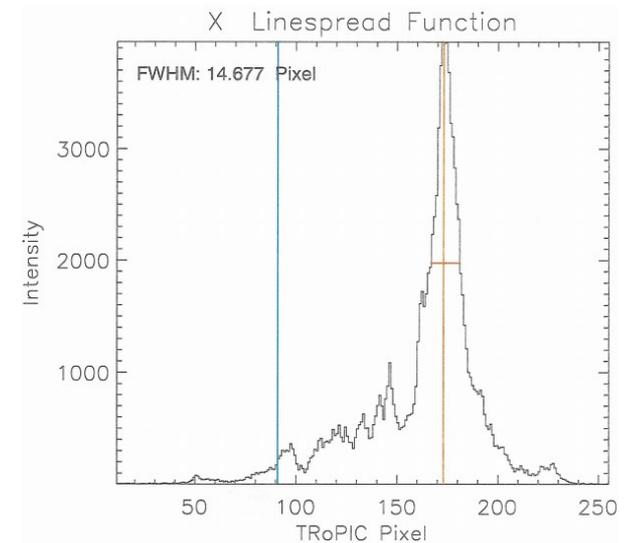
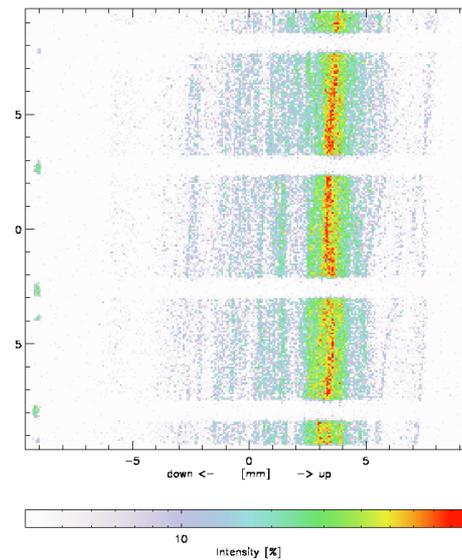
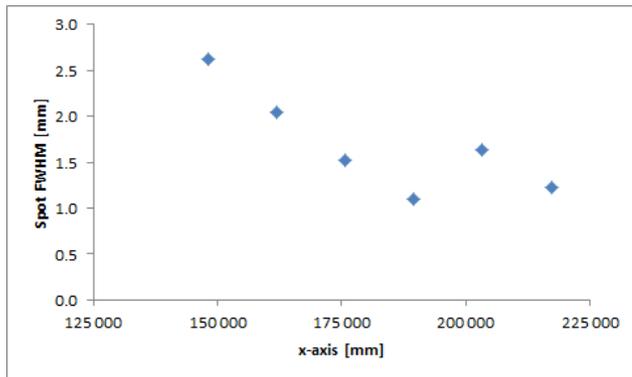
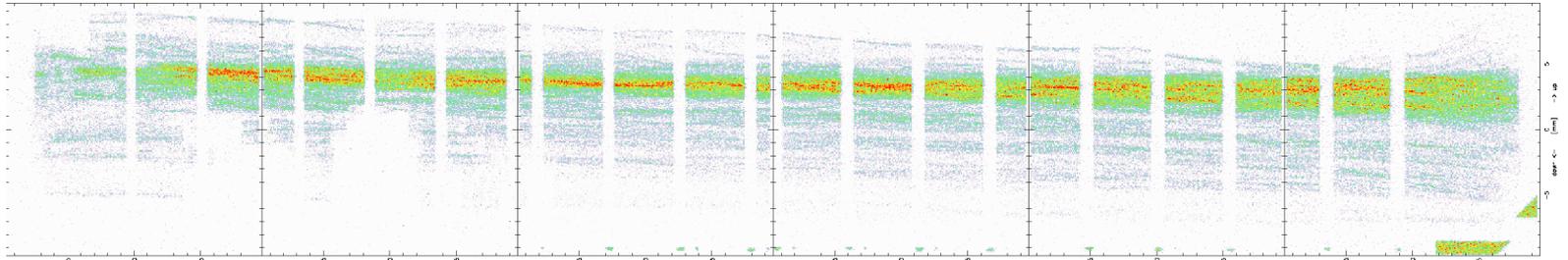


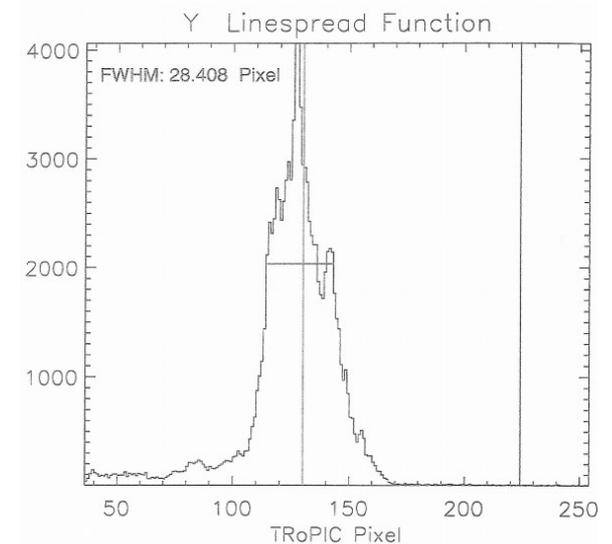
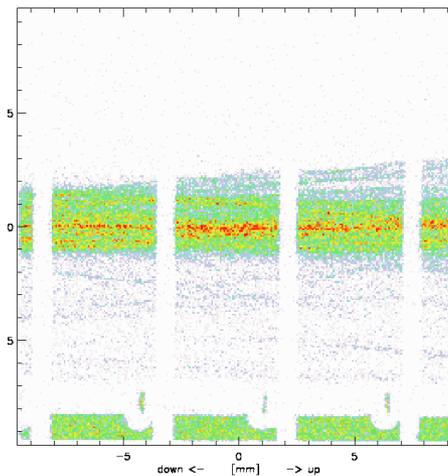
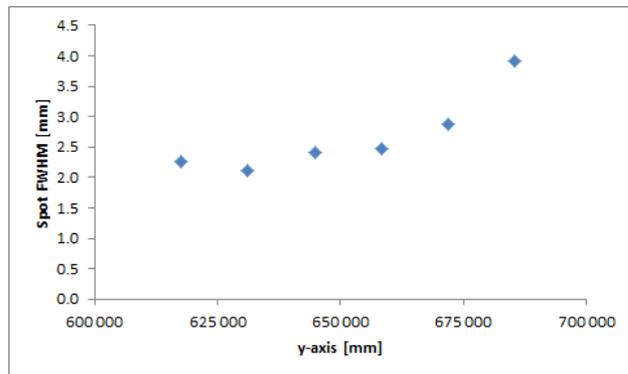
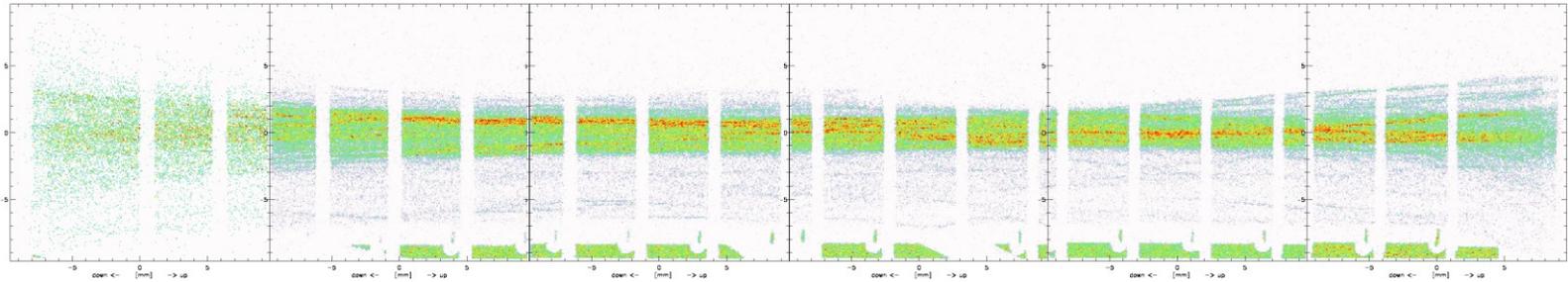
Figure 7: Spectrum – Cu  $K\alpha$ , 8.04 keV @PANTER (left – range from 4500 to 16000 eV, right – detail 6500 – 9000 eV)

# Results - 1D horizontal module



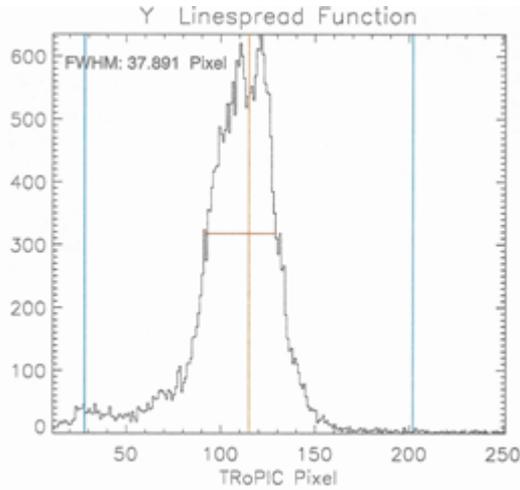
The best 1D focus in y direction (horizontal), line profile FWHM = 1.2mm at 1.49 keV

# Results - 1D vertical module



The best 1D focus in y direction (horizontal), line profile FWHM = 2.1mm at 1.49 keV

# 2D KB X-ray optical system



The best 1D focus in y direction (horizontal), line profile FWHM = 2.1mm at 1.49 keV

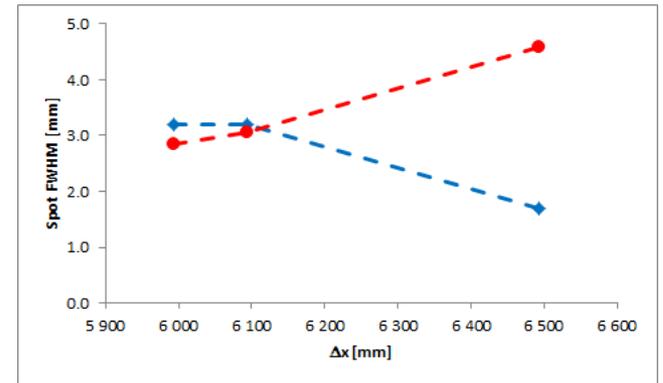
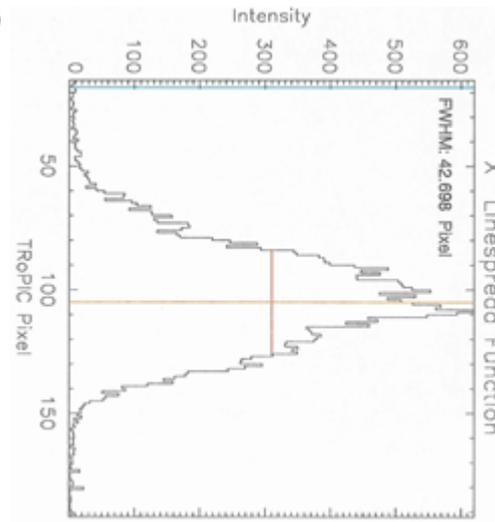
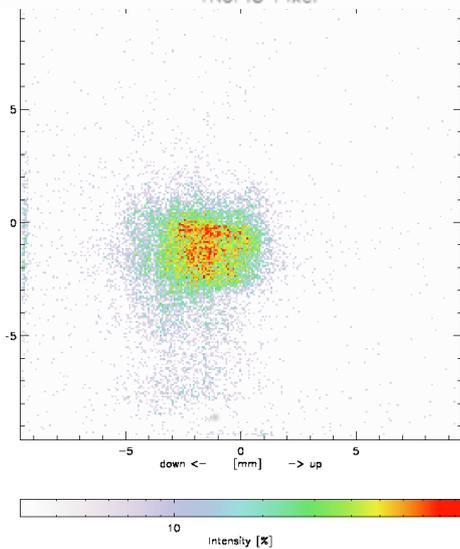
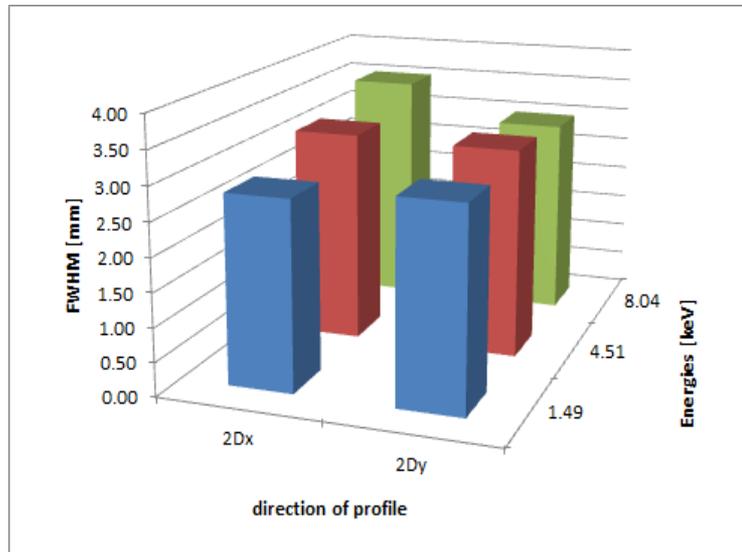


Figure 17: 2D X-ray optics – the best 2D focus at different energies



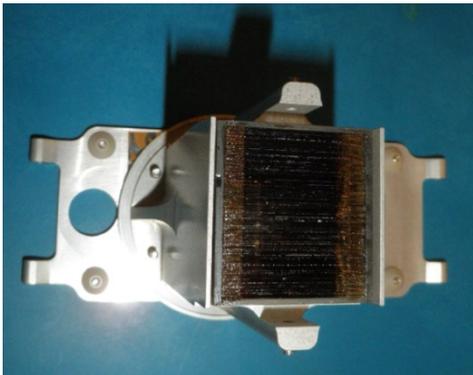
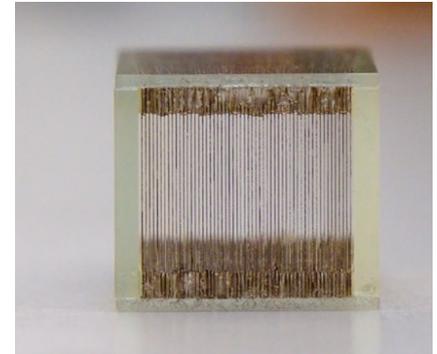
The 2D X-ray optics was tested at 3 different energies. The graph shows that the modules work up to 8 keV photon energy.



E [keV]	FWHMx [mm]	FWHMy [mm]
1.49	2.80	2.98
4.51	3.17	3.13
8.04	3.52	2.98

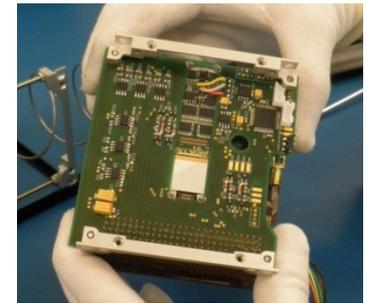
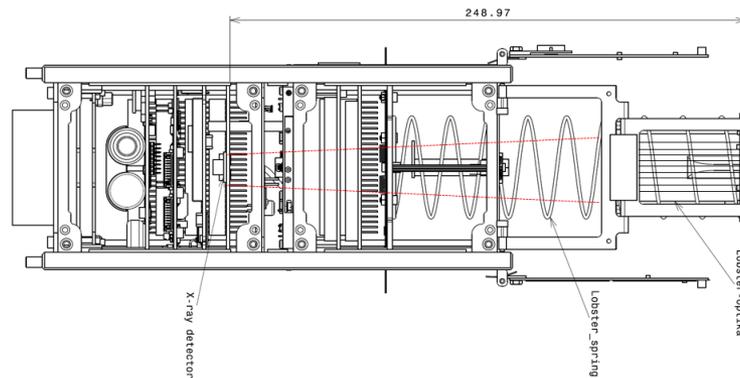
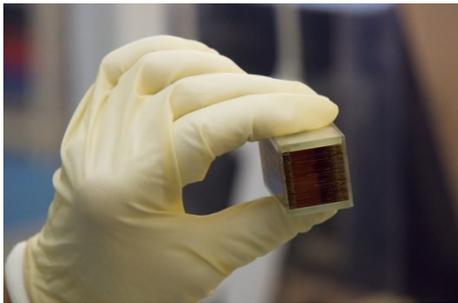
# Lobster Eye for VZLUSAT-1

- 1D Lobster Eye module with focal length 250 mm
- Composed of 182 wedges and 90 reflective double-sided gold-plated foils (thickness 150  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- Input aperture: 29x19 mm, outer dimensions: 29x31x60 mm
- Active part of the foils: 19 mm in width and 60 mm in length
- Energy range 3 to 20 keV

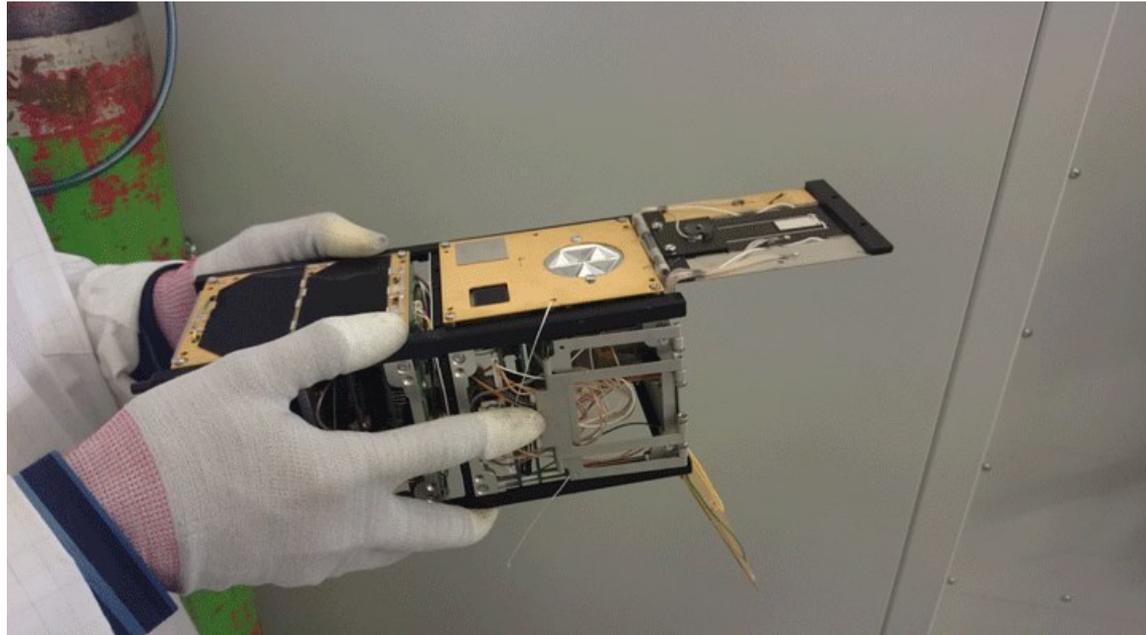
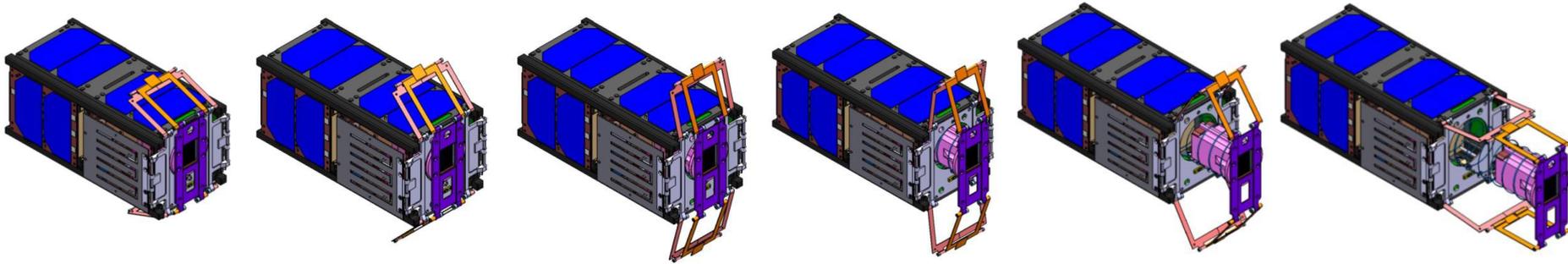


# X-ray optical system onboard VZLUSAT-1

- X-ray optical system designed and tested in RITE includes folded X-ray optical module, detector and electronics.
- One dimensional RITE Lobster Eye optic (250 mm focal length).
- Timepix Detector for the optical system was designed and tested in collaboration with CTU UTEF (Jan Jakubek, Ph.D.).
- Electronics was designed and tested in collaboration with CTU FEL (Ing. Tomáš Báča, Ing. Ladislav Sieger, doc. Ing. René Hudec, Ing. Martin Urban, Ing. Ondřej Nentvich, Ing. Veronika Stehlíková).



# Deployable mechanism



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# **Sub-orbital rockets and Lobster Eye instruments**

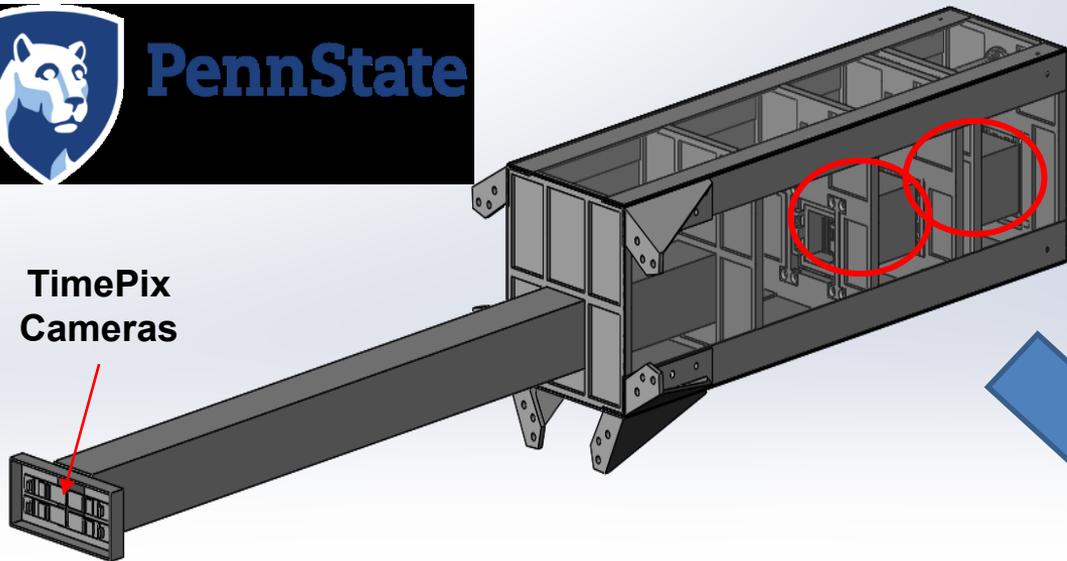
**The Pennsylvania State University**

**James Tutt  
On behalf of the McEntaffer group**

**Collaboration with the Czech Technical  
University**

- OGRESS had a problem with the GEM detectors accelerating electrons
- First channel, change out the detectors for Hybrid CMOS Detectors
- **Second channel is a Lobster Eye instrument from the Czech Technical University (LE optic manufactured by RITE)**
- Water recover
  - Opens ability to launch recoverable rockets from locations such as Kwajalein and Wallops Island
- Southern hemisphere sky target
- Launch in April 2018





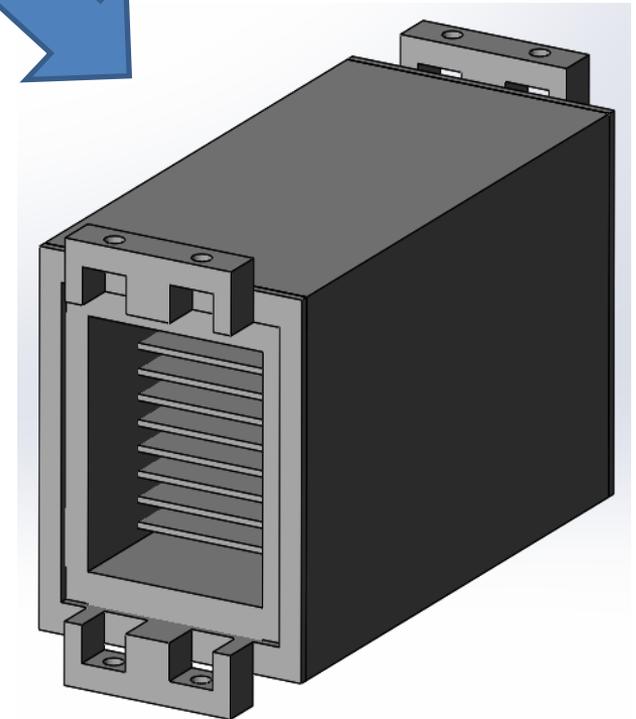
**TimePix  
Cameras**

- Self-contained instrument
- 1.3 m focal length
- TimePix cameras on focal plane
- Designed for CubeSats

**Collaboration with the Czech Technical University in Prague**

**TimePix camera**

- Designed for high energy particle tracking at the LHC
- CMOS readout
- Optimized for high energy X-ray detection in lobster eye
- USB connection
- No cooling required
- 55  $\mu\text{m}$  pixels and a single chip is 256 x 256 pixels



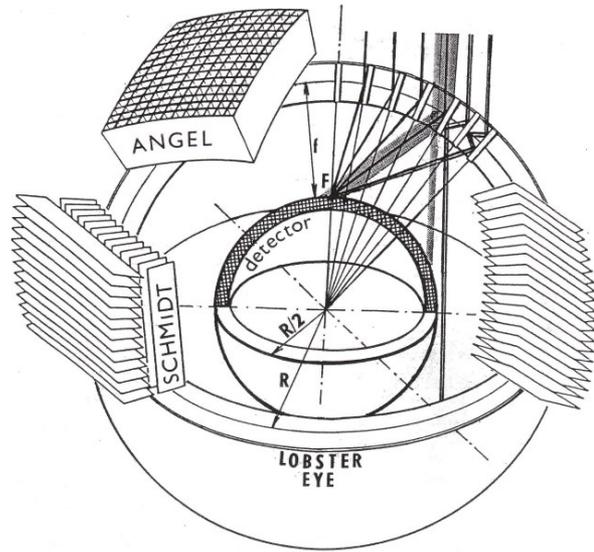


## ROCKET EXPERIMENT Installation at Pennsylvania State University

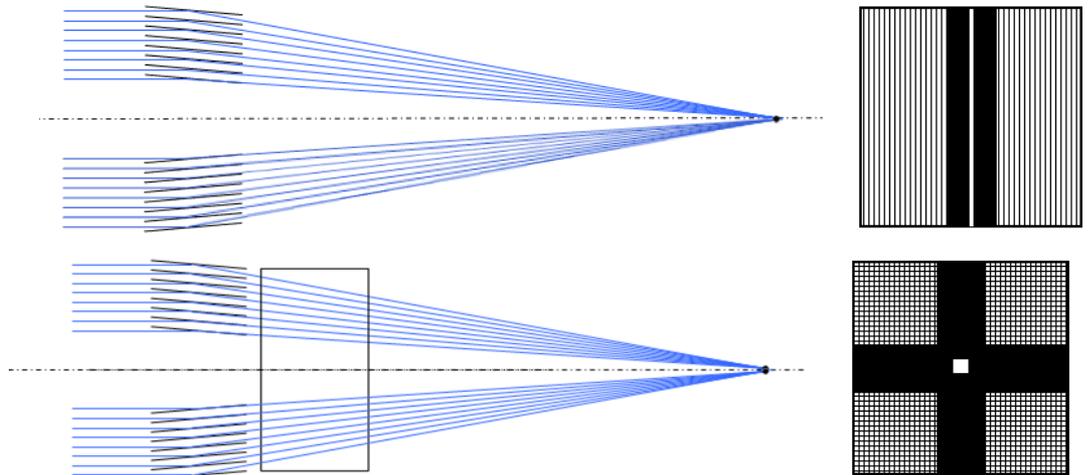
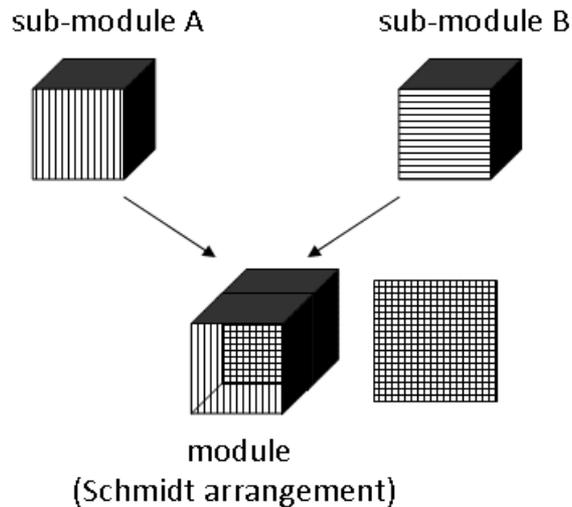


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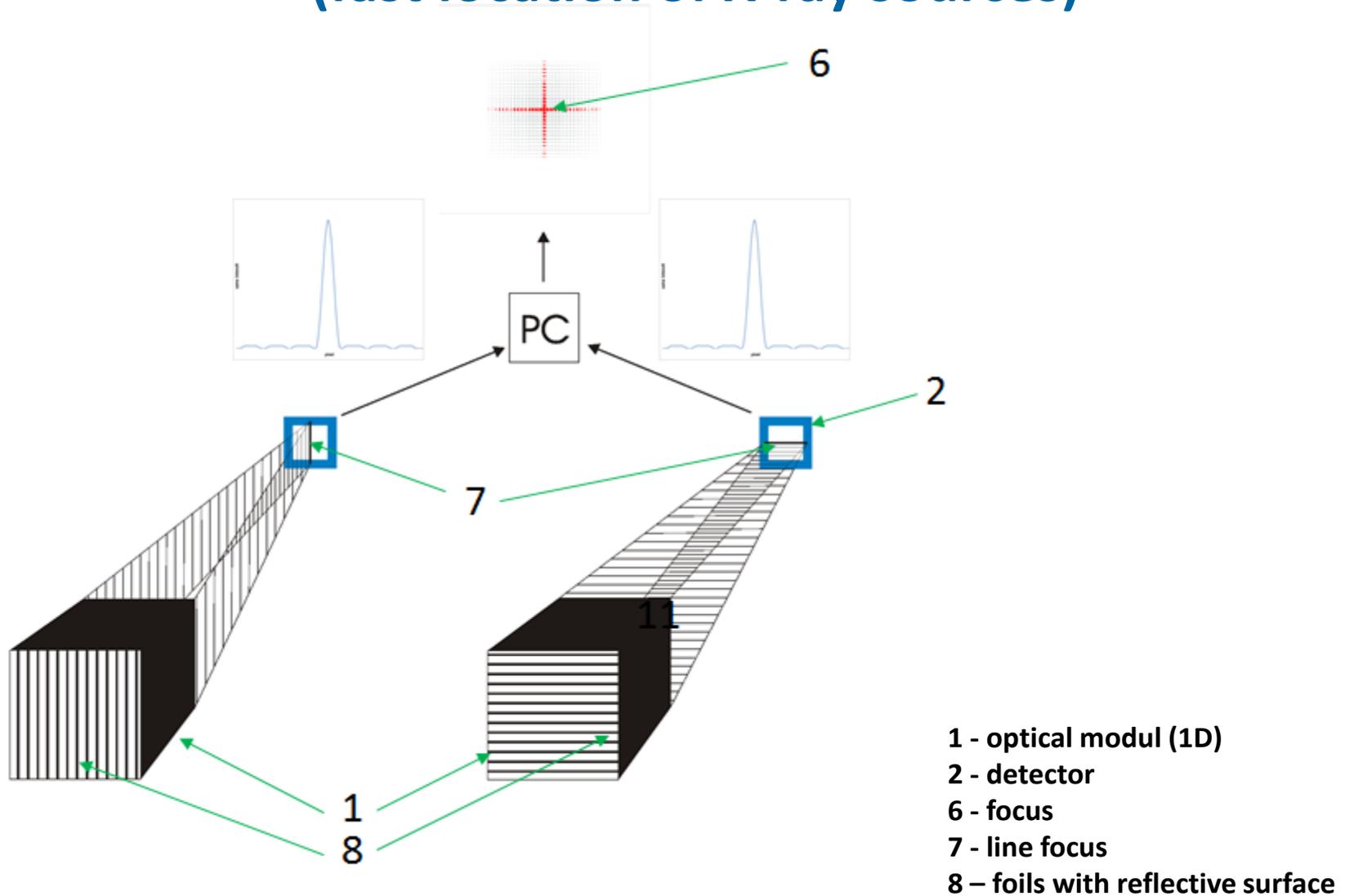
# MFO Optical Systems



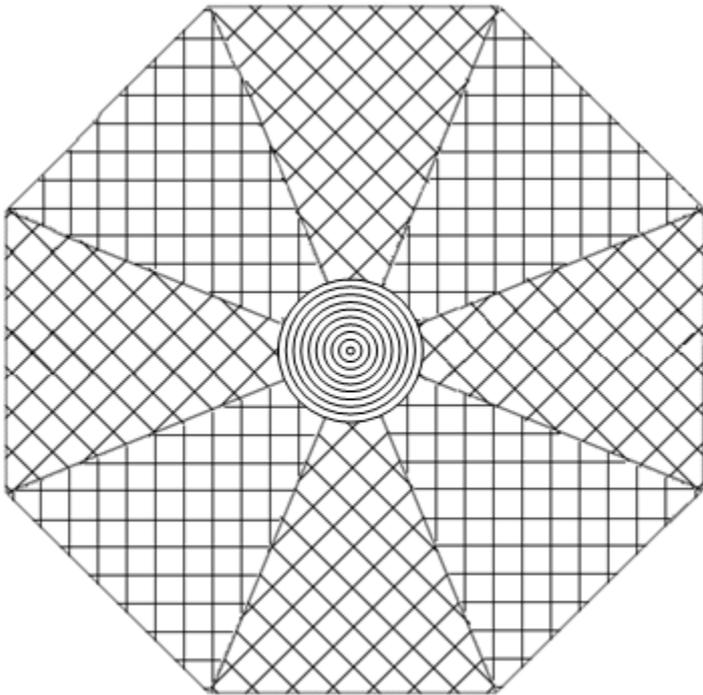
- Optical system assembled from thin foils
- Glass or silicon foils
- X-ray optics type
  - Lobster Eye
  - Kirkpatrick-Baez



# Monitoring system with two 1D units (fast location of X-ray sources)



# Novel arrangement of KB modules with high resolution



- Development of KB modules for big space telescope with high resolution of 10 arcsec
- Non-functional (blind) central area of KBF system can be filled with thin rotationally symmetric foils (classical nested mirrors with parabolic shape P)  
**=> improvement of KBF optical system aperture effective area for higher energies**
- Patent pending (PV 2011-297)

# Conclusion

- X-ray grazing incidence mirrors have been studied, manufactured and analyzed
- Selected space applications of X-ray mirrors have been studied and two missions have been realized
- Current activities include ESA project “Space radiation capabilities, technologies and platforms for small spacecraft and CubeSats (SR-CTP)” – Rigaku as prime contractor



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