

PASSIVATED IMPLANTED PLANAR SILICON (PIPS®)
DETECTORS FOR INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS AND
PHYSICS RESEARCH

Silicon Detectors



Mirion Passivated, Implanted, Planar Silicon (PIPS) detectors have proven themselves in thousands of applications worldwide. Innovations driven by the myriad of applications we serve have resulted in continuous improvements to the performance of the PIPS technology. This technology drives our alpha spectroscopy, beta detection, continuous air monitors, and various nuclear physics and space experiments.

For over 30 years, our specialized team has designed, developed, manufactured, tested and shipped the highest quality PIPS detectors to customers around the world.







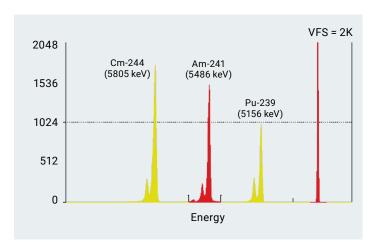
E-Detectors

Nuclear Physics, Astrophysics and Radiation Protection

EXCELLENT RESOLUTION FOR ALPHAS, BETAS, PROTONS, ELECTRONS, HEAVY IONS AND MORE

- Entrance window < 50 nm on all models
- · Low Energy Betas and Electrons





Square and Rectangular Detectors: RF Series

DIMENSIONS: ACTIVE AREA

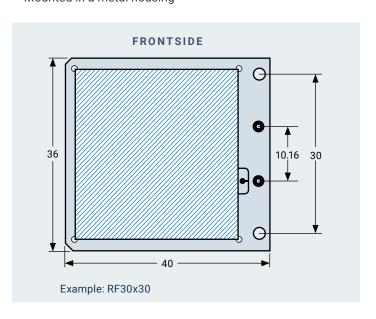
 10 x 10 mm - 14 x 14 mm - 30 x 30 mm - 50 x 50 mm - or other on request

FEATURES

- Thin junction window: ≤ 50 nm
- Ohmic window ≤ 1500 nm (for fully depleted series)
- Standard mounting on epoxy board (suffix EB)

OPTIONAL

- Ultra thin junction window ≤ 25 nm (prefix TW)
- Timing resolution: < 200 psec (FWHM)
- Thin ohmic window ≤ 150 nm (prefix TB)
- · Mounted in a metal housing



E-Detectors

Nuclear Physics, Astrophysics and Radiation Protection

Radiochemistry and Physics Research: PD, RF and A-Series

FEATURES

- · Single junction in metal housing or on epoxy board
- Size: 25 to 5000 mm²
- Active thickness: 100 to 1000 μm thickness

- Stability and reliability detectors available from stock
- · Excellent resolution
- · Low background
- · High efficiency



Continuous Air Monitoring (CAM) Series

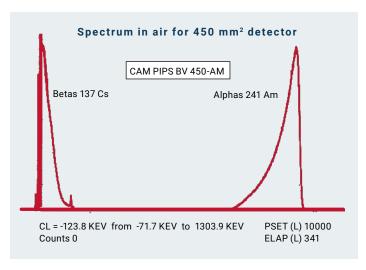
FEATURES

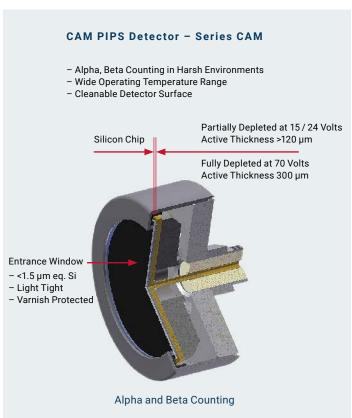
- · Ruggedized detector in metal housing
- Size: 300 to 5000 mm²
- Active Thickness: 100 to 500 μm

- · Excellent reliability
- · Perfect alpha, beta separation
- · Can replace gas detectors in alpha, beta counters
- Gamma guard versions available. Operation in combination with a plastic guard detector as in iSolo® system









1D Position Sensitive Detectors

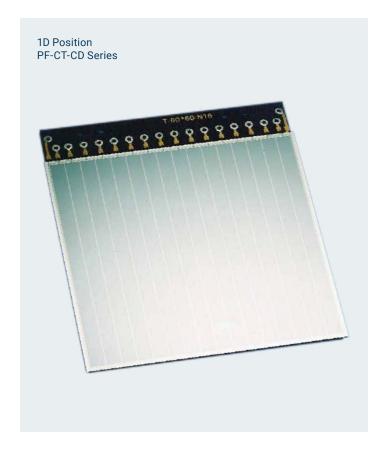
PF-CT-Series

FEATURES

- · Pad detector mounted on epoxy boards
- · Sizes available: see www.mirion.com or others on request
- · Active thickness: 200 to 1000 μm

ADVANTAGES

- · Excellent resolution
- · Can be assembled on customer board
- · Models available from stock



2D Position Sensitive Detectors

Pad Detectors - PF-RT Series

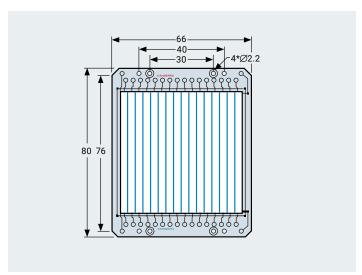
FEATURES

- · Pad detectors mounted on epoxy boards
- Size: from 40 x 40 mm² on or others on request
- Active thickness: 300 and 500 μm

OPTIONAL

- Ultra thin junction window ≤ 25 nm (prefix TW)
- · Resistive Pads: PF-RT-Series
- Thin ohmic window possible ≤ 150 n

- · 2D Position information (for energies >2 MeV)
- · Modest requirement for read-out electronics
- · Single sided process
- · Can be assembled on customer board
- · Models available from stock



2D Position Sensitive Detectors

Double-Sided Strip Detectors: PF-CT-CD Series

FEATURES

- · Strip detectors mounted on epoxy boards
- Size: from 40 x 60 mm² and larger or others on request
- · Active thickness: 200 to 1000 μm

ADVANTAGES

- Good timing performance
- · Can be assembled on customer board
- · Models available from stock

2D Position Sensitive Detectors

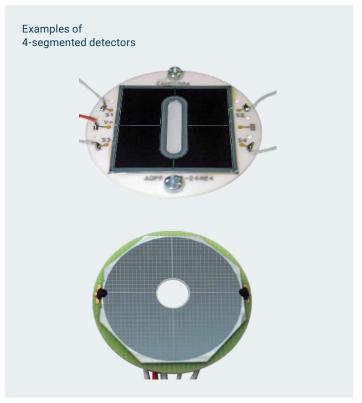
Segmented Pixel Detectors: CD Series

FEATURES

- · Pixel detectors mounted on epoxy boards
- · Size: custom design
- Active thickness: 200 to 1000 μm

- Good resolution (low capacitance)
- · Can be assembled on customer board





Particle Identification

∆E-Detectors

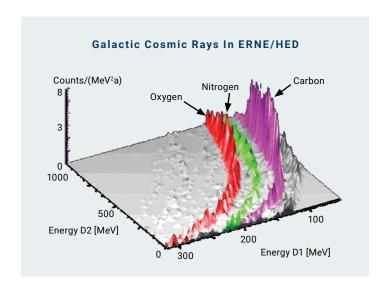
Nuclear Physics, Astrophysics and High Energy Physics

Fully Depleted Detectors: FD-Series Series

FEATURES

- · Single junction in metal housing
- Size: 25 to 900 mm²
- Thickness: 200 to 1000 μm

- · Excellent resolution
- · Thin windows
 - Entrance window < 50 nm
 - Exit window < 150 nm up to 500 µm thickness
- · Detectors available from stock
- · Telescope assemblies



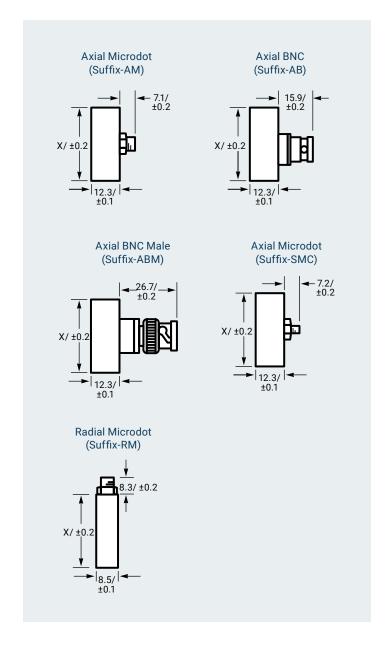


Particle Identification

MOUNTS AND DIMENSIONS

- · See chart and drawings
- Detector face is recessed 1.0 mm in AM, AB, RM, ABM and SMC mounts

Detector Size (mm²)	Active Diameter (mm)	Axial X (mm)	Radial X (mm)
25	5.7	16.7	19.4
50	8.0	16.7	19.4
150	13.8	23.6	26.1
200	16.0	28.6	31.6
300	19.5	28.6	31.6
450	23.9	32.0	34.8
490	25.0	33.4	N.A.
600	27.6	36.1	38.4
900	33.9	45.2	50.0
1200	39.1	48.8	53.0
1700	46.5	59.0	N.A.
2000	50.0	65.5	70.0
3000	61.8	76.2	80.0
5000	79.8	94.0	N.A.



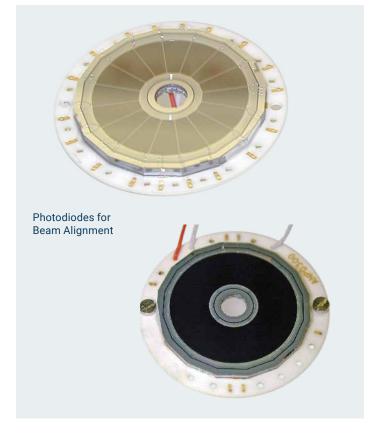
Special Applications

Photodiodes for Synchrotron Applications

FEATURES

- · Single or multiple junction on ceramic board
- Size: 50 to 550 mm²
- Active thickness: 200 to 1500 μm

- · Low dark current, typically below 1 nA/cm²
- · Fast read-out
- · Used in photovoltaic or biased mode
- · No optical window





Customed Detectors for Space

PIPS Detectors for Space Exploration

FEATURES

- Thickness: 200 to 500 μm
- · Anti-reflective coating with QE > 80%
- · Low dark current and direct coupling to scintillator
- Extremely rugged and low power requirement
- Awarded by NASA for the contribution to the Mars ROVER MSL Rad project
- PIPS detectors are deployed on the following current or recent missions:
 - STEREO and DOUBLE STAR studying solar storms, MESSENGER and BEPICOLOMBO study Mercury, CHANG'E-4 to study the moon, SOLAR ORBITER to study the heliosphere of the sun, NEW HORIZONS passed Pluto to outer space in a second extended mission, JUICE to study the icy moons of Jupiter.

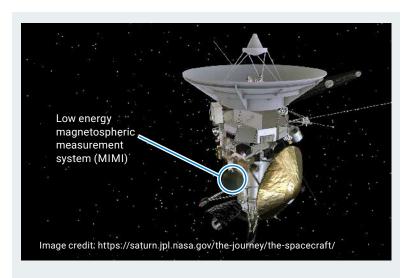


The New Horizons spacecraft carries the PEPSSI instrument, a spectrometer designed to detect electrons and ions in the 30 keV – 1 MeV energy range. One of the aims of the PEPSSI team (located at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory) is to study the interaction between the Pluto system and the solar wind by detecting neutral particles from Pluto's atmosphere that are ionized by the Sun's light and then picked up and accelerated by the electromagnetic field of the ~1.5 million km/hour solar wind.

Cassini

Mirion Technologies supplied the custom design PIPS detectors integrated in the MIMI LEMMS and CHEMS sensors. They detected energetic charged particles (protons, electrons, ions) in the excited gas, or plasma, around Saturn.

- The Low-Energy Magnetospheric Measurement System, known as LEMMS, measured the number of electrons, protons and ions that struck its detectors, as well as how fast they were traveling and what directions they were coming from.
- The Charge-Energy-Mass Spectrometer, called CHEMS, measured the charge and composition of the particles that struck its detectors. Each particle's mass tells scientists what element it is, for example, whether it's a proton or a "water group" ion such as H2O+.



Launched on Oct. 15, 1997, Cassini's mission to explore Saturn ended on Sept. 15, 2017 with a deliberate plunge into Saturn's atmosphere.

Customed Detectors for Space

Photodiodes for Scintillator Read-Out

Example Advanced Photon Detection on the Mars Rover

FEATURES

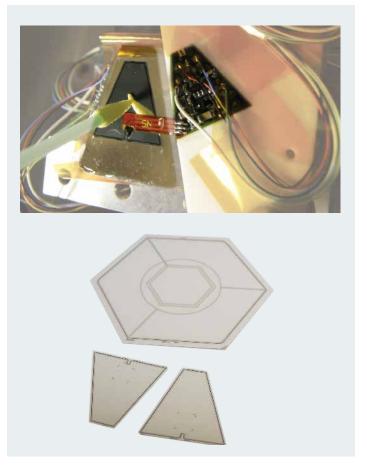
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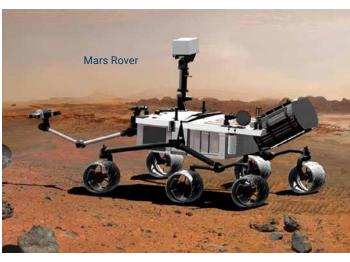
• Thickness: 200 to 500 μm

ADVANTAGES

• Anti-reflective coating with QE > 80%

- · Low dark current
- · Direct coupling to scintillator
- · Optimization for specific scintillators





OEM Solutions

XRF-XRD-EDS Benchtop and Handheld Systems

The Mirion SDD product range is targeted to be integrated in handheld and benchtop XRF systems.

Mirion develops designs, manufactures and assembles everything in-house, which has made us the partner of choice for many industrial partners.

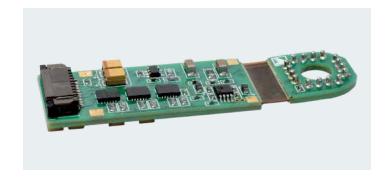
OEM solutions for XRF-XRD-EDS Benchtop and Handheld

FEATURES

- Silicon Drift Detector (SDD) product range is targeted for integration in handheld and benchtop XRF systems
- · Includes compact preamplifier
- All products are developed, designed, manufactured and assembled in house to customer specifications
- JFET or CMOS based front stage amplification

AVAILABLE AS

- TO8 module
- · Including compact preamplifier
- · JFET or CMOS based front stage amplification
- · Custom made designs possible









Mirion Missions in the Milky Way

ACE | 1997

Rectangular segmented PIPS detector on the SEPICA instrument. Mission to sample low-energy solar particles and high-energy galactic particles.

BEPICOLOMBO | 2018

Telescope of 5 circular PIPS detectors of different sizes on the BERM probe. Europe's first mission to Mercury.

MESSENGER | 2015

Square pixelated PIPS detector. Mission to understand Mercury, least-explored of the terrestrial planets.

EQUATOR-S | 1997

Circular PIPS detectors. Mission designed to study Earth's magnetic environment above the equator.

CHANG'E-4 | 2019

Rectangular segmented PIPS detectors. First lander on the far side of the moon.

DOUBLE STAR | 2004

Rectangular PIPS detectors. Double satellite mission to study the effects of the Sun on Earth's environment.

ARTEMIS | 2022

ATOM® dosimetric phantoms used on space flight beyond the moon to assist in measuring potential radiation exposure to astronauts. Crew Active Dosimeters (CAD) to study radiation exposure levels and keep crews safe.







SOLAR ORBITER | 2020

EPT & HET - circular pixel PIPS detectors on the EPD probe. Segmented PIPS detector (annular segment) on the SWA instrument. Mission to explore the inner heliosphere and the effects of solar activity on it.

STEREO | 2008

MERCURY

Trapezoidal segmented PIPS detector on plastic instrument. Mission to study the Sun and the nature of its coronal mass ejections (CMEs).

PAMELA | 2016

Square segmented PIPS detector. First satellite-based experiment dedicated to the detection of cosmic rays.

VAN ALLEN PROBES | 2012

Rectangular pixel PIPS detector. Mission to explore the Van Allen Radiation Belts.

SOHO | 1995

Several circular, square and rectangular PIPS detectors on the ERNE instrument. Space-based observatory for viewing and investigating the Sun from its core, through its atmosphere, out to a distance ten times beyond the Earth's orbit.

Rectangular pixel PIPS detector. Investigates how the Sun's and Earth's magnetic fields connect and disconnect.

MMS SPACECRAFT | 2015 PROBA-V SATELLITE | 2013

Segmented PIPS telescope detector on the EPT instrument. Mission to survey space radiation levels.

PIPS detectors are deployed on the following current or recent missions; STEREO and DOUBLE STAR studying solar storms, MESSENGER and BEPICOLOMBO study Mercury, CHANG'E-4 to study the moon, SOLAR ORBITER to study the heliosphere of the sun, NEW HORIZONS passed Pluto to outer space in a second extended mission.

CUSTOMER TESTIMONY:

I was extremely happy working with this team. In our initial design we frequently met by phone and worked through different options. They provided excellent suggestions, and together we came up with the best solution. They were available to meet with very little notice, had excellent technical expertise, and kept the effort moving on or ahead of schedule.

MARS ODYSSEY | 2001

On board spacecraft, Gamma-ray Spectrometer (1.2 kg) HPGe detector. Mission to study elemental composition and radiation on Mars.

MARS EXPRESS | 2003

Several circular, square and rectangular PIPS detectors on the Aspera instrument. Mission to characterize, photograph, and map the surface of Mars.

JUICE | 2023

Sixteen-sided PIPS detector used on mission to study Jupiter's icy moons.

JUNO | 2016

Rectangular pixel PIPS detector. Mission to reveal the origin and evolution of Jupiter.

NEW HORIZONS | 2015

Rectangular pixel PIPS detector on the PEPSSI instrument. Mission to take precise measurements on Pluto.



NEPTUNE

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ULTIMA THULE

PSYCHE | 2023

PSYCHE

JUPITER

HPGe detector used on mission to metal asteroid to uncover the mysteries of planet formation.

CASSINI | 2017

SATURN

Several circular, square and rectangular PIPS detectors on the MIMI instrument.
Mission to explore the wonders of Saturn and its family of icy moons.

NEW HORIZONS | 2019

Rectangular pixel PIPS detector on the PEPSSI instrument. Most distant object ever explored.

MARS CURIOSITY | 2012

Pixel PIPS detector coupled to scintillators on the RAD instrument. Mission to explore and quantitatively assess the surface of Mars.

Photon Detection

From Near UV to 30 keV

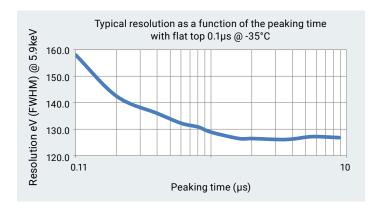
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X-PIPS™ Series **Based on Drift Technology**

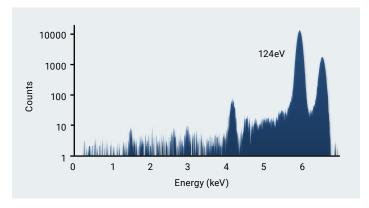
FEATURES

- · Preamplifier included
- · Temperature-controlled Peltier cooler included
- · Size: 15 mm² and 30 mm²
- Thickness: 500 μm

- · Excellent resolution < 132 eV
- Peak/Background > 15000
- · Good stability
- Good performance with fast shaping time (< 1 µs rise time)







Photon Detection

High Count Rate 7-Element Detector

FEATURES

- Array of 7 individual SDD's of 100 or 70 mm² (collimated to 80 or 50 mm²) and 500 µm thickness in a close-packed geometry
- CMOS preamplifier (CUBE based)
- 2 mil Be window
- Detector system includes preamplifiers, HV power supply and temperature controller
- · Cryo-cooled electrical cooling

Custom Multi-Element

FEATURES

- Up to 13 or more elements
- · Planar of focused configurations
- · Easily customizable







Mirion Technologies provides products and services for a wide range of radiation safety, measurement and scientific purposes.

Mirion solutions are employed to protect people from radiation exposure and limit the spread of contamination. Since 1968, the company has also been committed to the development, manufacturing and service of unique specialty detectors for international scientific experiments, as well as industrial applications.

Driven by the diverse needs of our customers, Mirion has developed a range of solutions to maintain its technological leadership in the nuclear measurements industry.

Mirion supplies detectors and instrumentation used in laboratory and in-situ radiological analysis, and for cuttingedge materials analysis, physics, and space studies in some of the world's leading research institutes.

Our dedicated R&D structure allows us to deliver innovative nuclear detection systems based on a comprehensive exploration of all available and emerging technologies.

Our passion for fully understanding the needs of our customers is key to our ability to provide the best solutions to contribute to their success.

Mirion Services augments your technical team, assists during peak periods, provides expert advice, trains staff and maintains your systems for optimal performance. We look forward to partnering with you.

Empowering Progress Across Continents

Mirion Technologies combines innovative radiation safety technologies with unrivaled expertise, cultivated over decades of collaboration with reactor manufacturers and operators, nuclear fuel facilities, regulators, national labs (such as the U.S. DOE), nuclear institutes, universities, and national military/security organizations worldwide.

Trust us to provide the solutions and support you need to safeguard your valuable assets and ensure a secure and sustainable future.

CORPORATE HQ (ATLANTA, GA)

MANUFACTURING SITES

SERVICE & SALES CENTERS





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