



CSPAD α – FIRST CSPAD AREA SENSOR

Specifications

CSPAD α combines the low-noise CMOS-integrated SPADs (CSPADs) with waferbonding technology and Backside-Illumination to achieve Single-Photon sensitivity with high spatial and temporal resolution.

The main features are:

- Photon **timing** and **counting** mode
- **In-pixel** time-to-digital converters (TDC)
- TDC monitoring
- Adaptive **background light suppression**

Sensor

| | Value | Unit |
|-----------------|--|---------|
| Technology | 0.35 μ m CMOS, 3D-Integration with BSI | |
| Chip dimensions | 10250 x 9200 | μ m |
| Array size | 8320 x 6240 | μ m |
| Pixel size | 130 x 130 | μ m |
| Resolution | Counting mode | 64 x 48 |
| | Timing mode | 32 x 24 |
| SPADs per Pixel | 4 | |
| SPAD diameter | 14 | μ m |
| Fill factor | 3.7 ¹ | % |
| Frame rate | 25 | kHz |
| Features | Counting and timing mode, variable coincidence, TDC monitoring | |

SPAD

| | Value | Unit |
|--------------------------------|--------|------|
| Breakdown voltage | 23 | V |
| Operation voltage | 30 | V |
| Quantum efficiency @ 550 nm | 45 | % |
| Quantum efficiency @ 905 nm | 5 | % |
| Dead time | 20 | ns |
| Dark Count Rate (per SPAD) | 1 - 10 | kHz |

TDC

| | Value | Unit |
|---------------------|-------|---------|
| Temporal resolution | < 420 | ps |
| Full scale range | 1.28 | μ s |
| Raw data length | 13 | Bit |

Evaluation board

| | Value | Unit |
|--------------|------------------------------------|------|
| Power supply | 12 | V |
| Interface | USB 2.0 | |
| Features | 2 delayable TTL trigger outputs | |

¹ Microlens-Array for effective fill factor increase is in development.