

# Coherent imaging of magnetic domains on Sextants beamline

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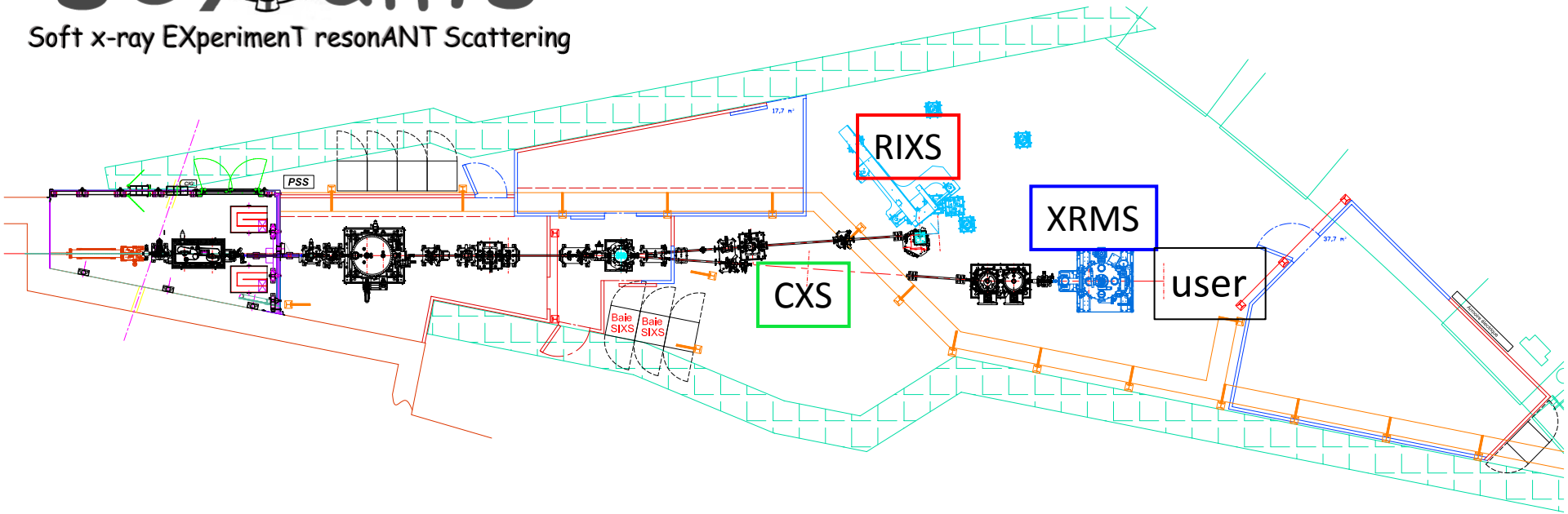
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## Outline:

- **Sextants beamline**
- **Coherent scattering instruments on Sextants :**
  - **COMET : transmission**
  - **IRMA2 : reflectivity**
- **Coherent imaging techniques :**
  - **Holography**
  - **Ptychography**
- **Conclusion:**
  - **transmission ok**
  - **reflectivity : we need the round beam ☺ !!**

- **Beamline of phase 2** : (R. Gaudemer, H. Popescu, A. Nicolaou, N. Jaouen)  
First Experiment: End 2010  
First expert users: first semester 2011  
(open to users **2011**)
- **Energy range** : **50-1800 eV** (N, O, F, transition metals, rare earth, S, ...),
- **High flux** :  **$>10^{13}$  ph/s** on the sample,
- **Resolving power**  $\Delta E/E \geq 8000$  over the whole energy range,
- **Variable polarization: linear and circular**:
  - **2 Apple-II undulator**: circular +/-, variable linear  
HU80 + HU44: the whole energy range in first harmonic  
 $\Rightarrow$  Maximize flux and polarization
- **Two branches and 3+1 experimental stations** (UHV):
  - High resolution RIXS Spectrometer
  - Two UHV diffractometers
  - One set-up for coherent imaging in transmission
  - User set-up.



Three main techniques:

- Soft X-ray resonant magnetic scattering (XRMS)

(Magnetic multilayers, nanostructures, single crystal diffraction)

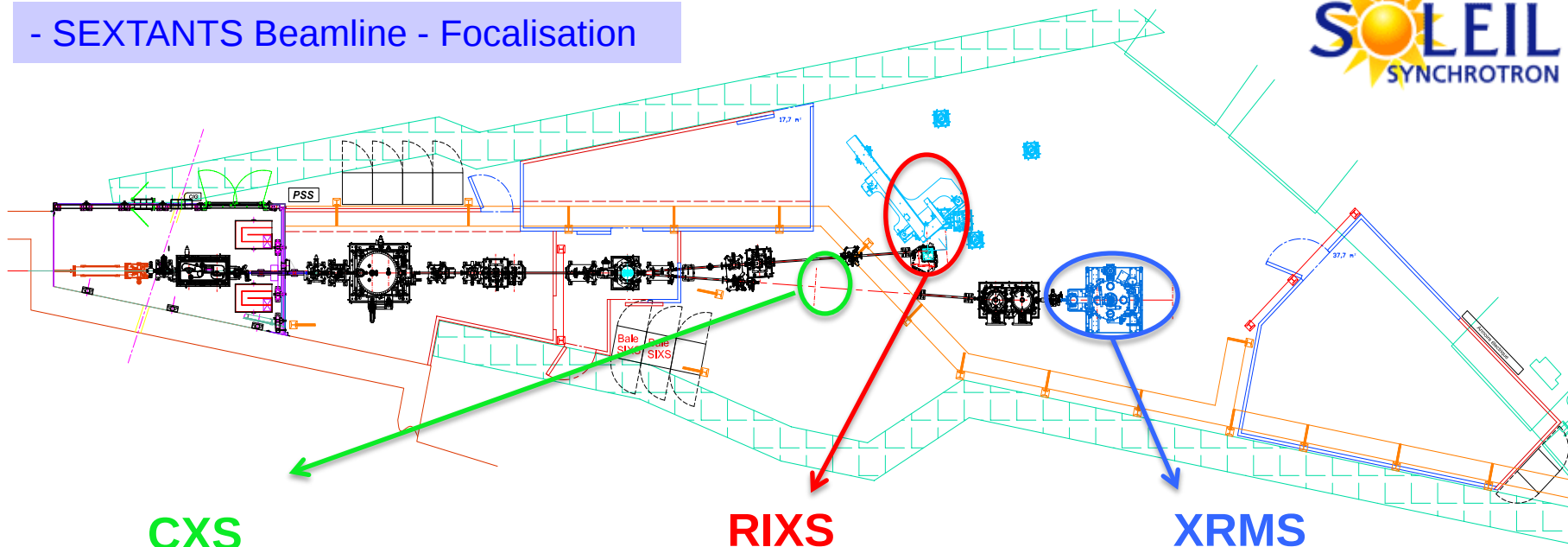
- Resonant Inelastic X-ray Scattering (RIXS)

Strongly correlated systems, non-solid systems (gaz/liquide)

- Coherent X-ray scattering (CXS)

(Lensless microscopy, dynamical studies in imaging)

One experimental point open for user set up

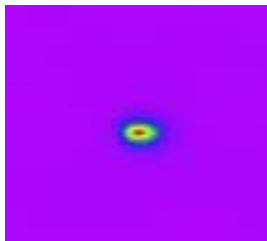


## CXS

Horizontal x Vertical

**Measured:**

**80 $\mu$ m x 50 $\mu$ m**

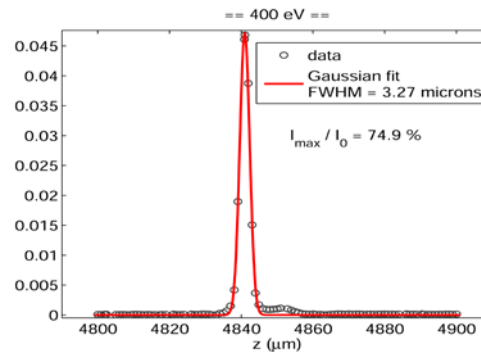


## RIXS

Vertical (FWHM)

Calculated : 1.5 $\mu$ m

**Measured  $\approx$  1.9 $\mu$ m**



## XRMS

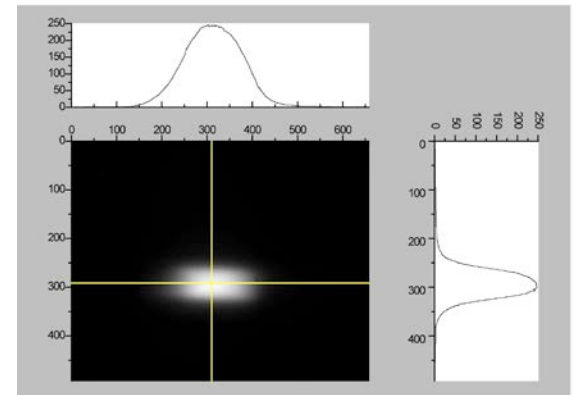
h-slit = 40 $\mu$ m / v-slit 10 $\mu$ m

Calculated @2.2m from M8

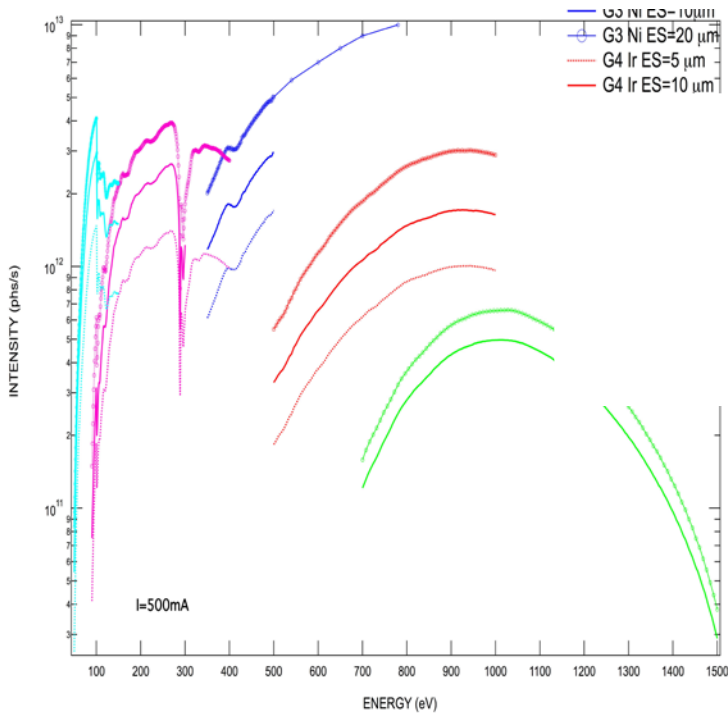
**18 $\mu$ m \* 7 $\mu$ m FMHM**

**Measured @ 2.2m from M8**

**17.3 $\mu$ m \* 7.4 $\mu$ m**



## FLUX



Flux measured @ sample position after 5 mirrors and one grating:

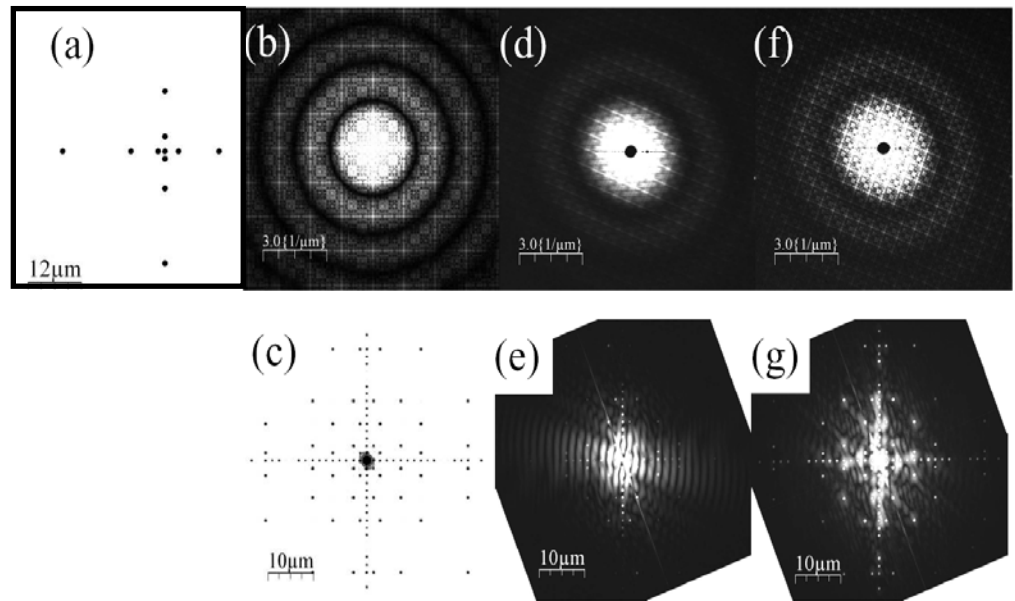
In excess of  $3 \times 10^{12}$  ph/s in the 50-1000 eV energy range

## COHERENCE:

- for full beamline angular acceptance
- Reduce acceptance (close beamline slits)

Angular Acceptance

MaskCalc.  $150 \times 150 \mu\text{rad}^2$   $40 \times 40 \mu\text{rad}^2$

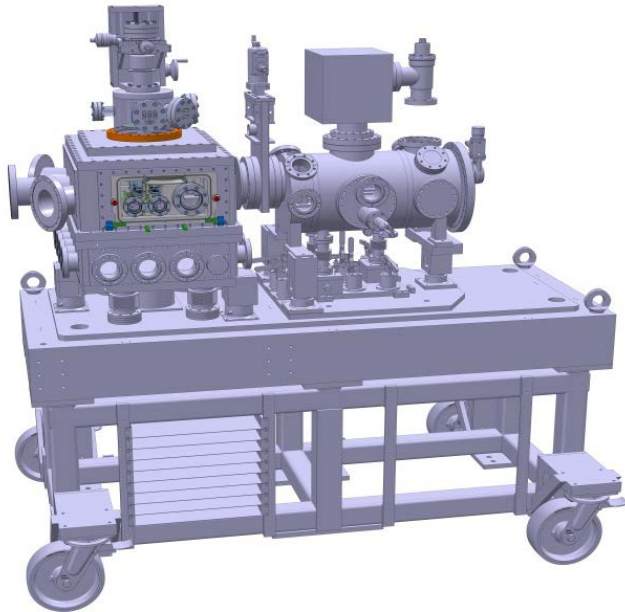


Estimated transverse coherence at 778 eV (hor.  $\times$  vert.)

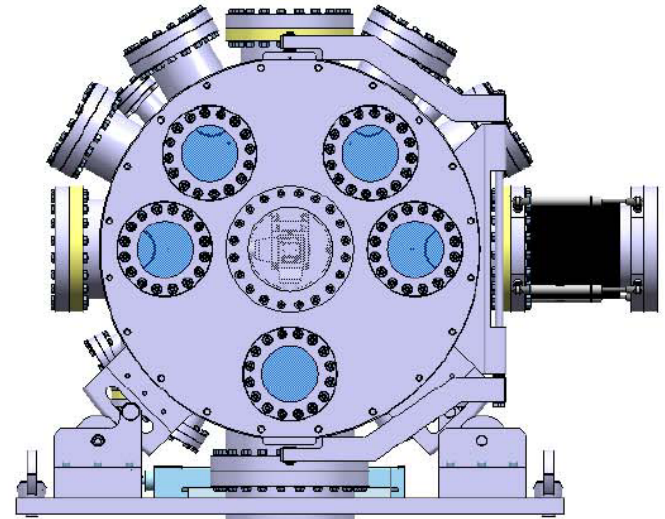
- $8 \mu\text{m} \times 15 \mu\text{m}$  @ full acceptance
- $25 \mu\text{m} \times 25 \mu\text{m}$  @  $40 \times 40 \mu\text{rad}^2$

## Coherent scattering instruments on Sextants:

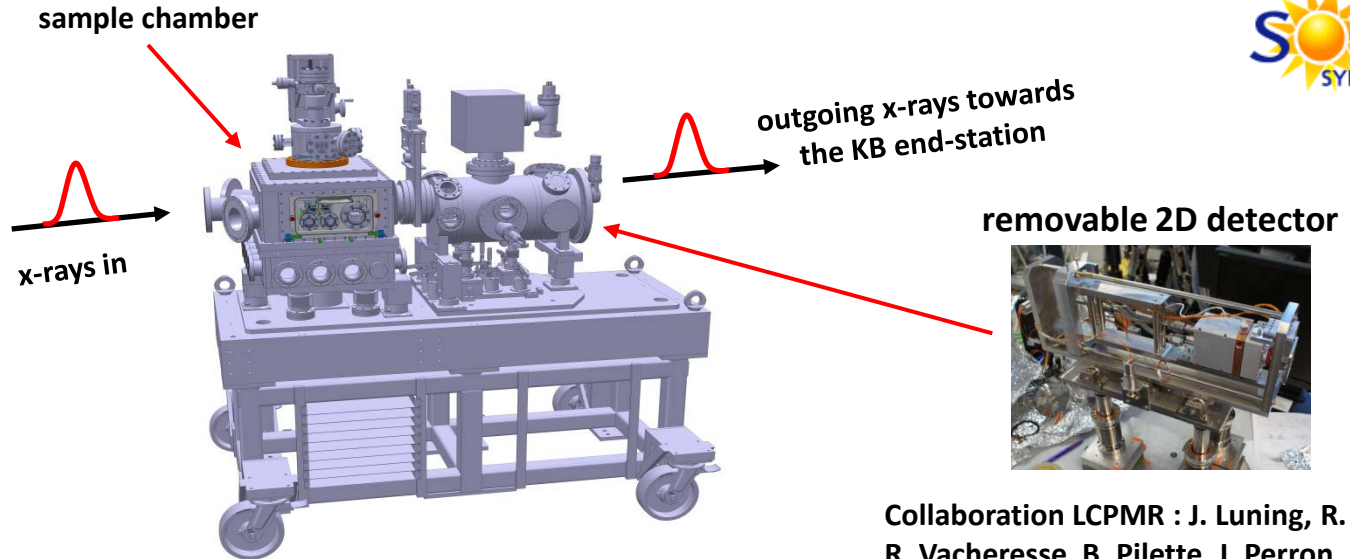
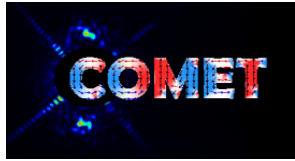
**COMET : transmission**



**IRMA2 : reflectivity**



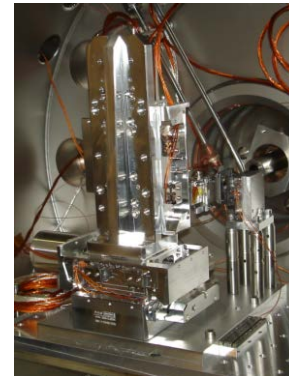
# COMET instrument : Coherent Magnetic scattering Experiments in Transmission

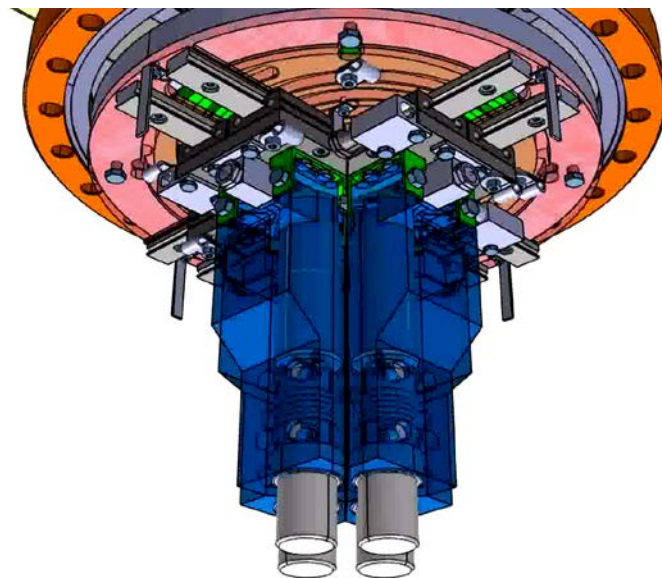
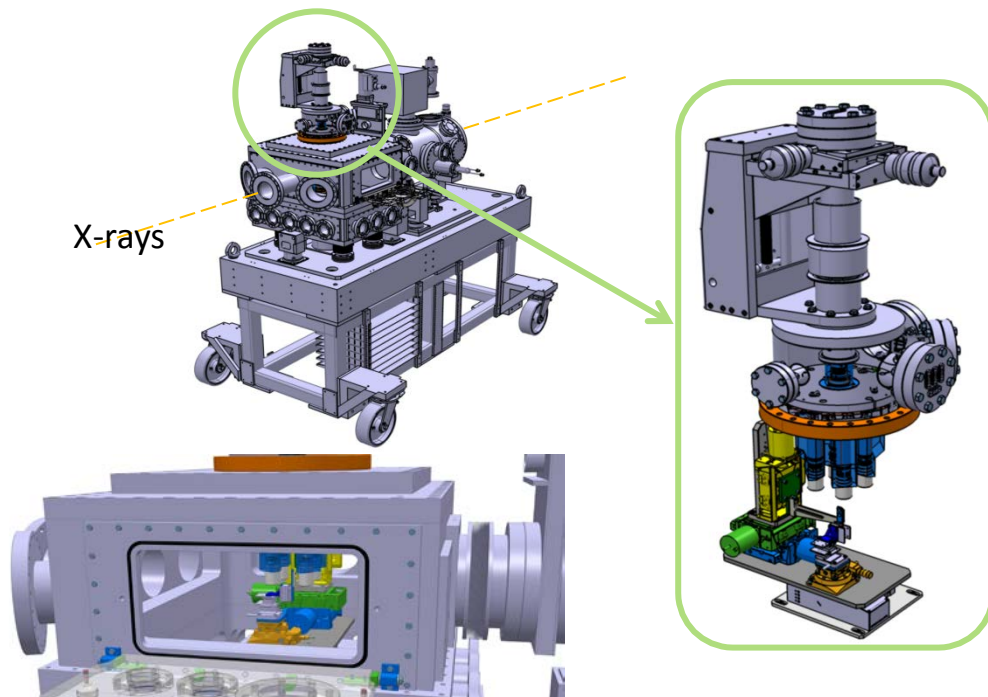


Collaboration LCPMR : J. Luning, R. Delaunay, R. Vacheresse, B. Pilette, J. Perron

- Imaging by Fourier Transform Holography (FTH) and Ptychography
- Integrated or separated mask/sample approach
- extendable field of view
- Normal or tilted transmission geometry for imaging out-of-plane or in-plane magnetic domains, respectively
- Magnetic field: 500 Oe in pulsed mode (1 T static in 2017)
- Low temperature: 100K (20K in 2017)
- regular spatial resolution:  $\sim 30$  nm (with standard masks available for users)

## Internal mechanics:

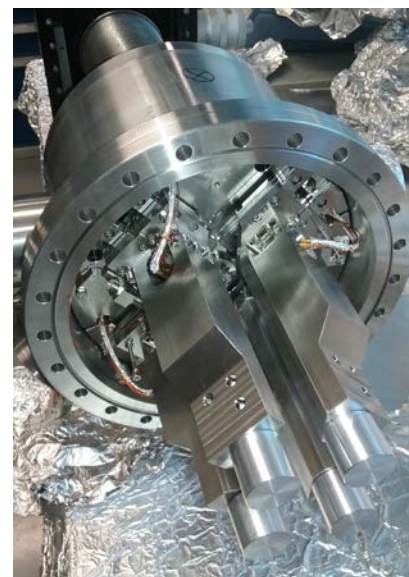




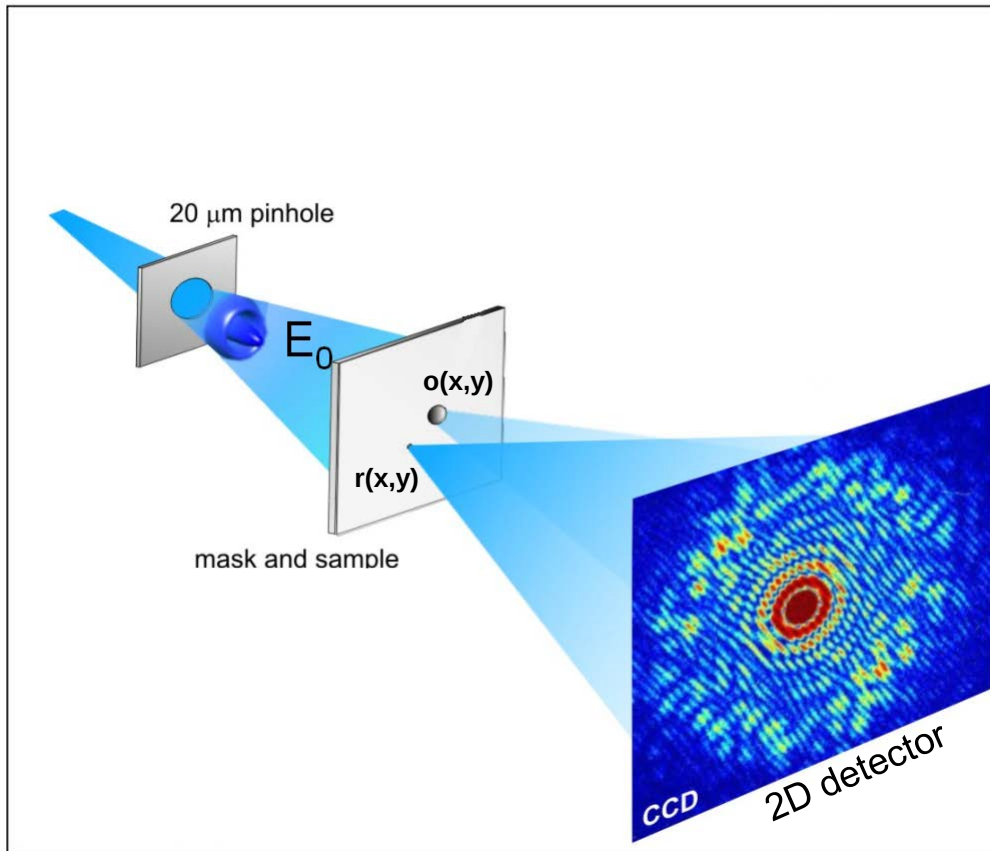
## 4 permanent magnets:

- tunable intensity
- all horizontal directions
- each magnet is motorized around it's axis

- commercial He cryostat + flexible stripes



## Fourier Transform Holography (FTH) imaging technique



*S. Eisebitt et al., Vol 432, 2004, Nature*

object:  $o(x,y) = E_0 t_o(x,y)$   
reference:  $r(x,y) = E_0 t_r(x,y)$

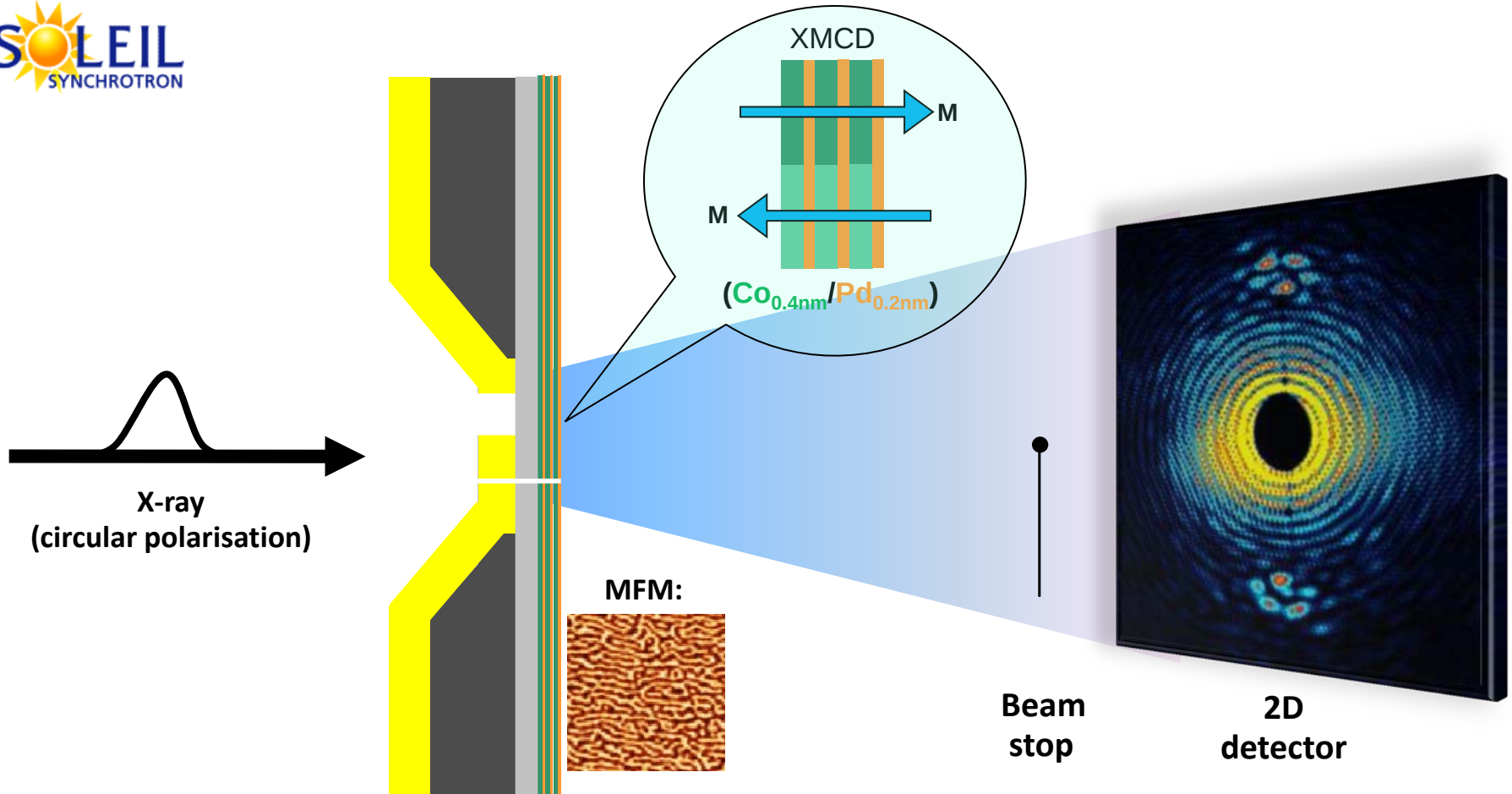
Hologram intensity:

$$\begin{aligned} &= |F\{r + o\}|^2 \\ &= |R + O|^2 \\ &= |R|^2 + |O|^2 + OR^* + RO^* \end{aligned}$$

Reconstructed real space images:

$$\begin{aligned} &F\{\text{Hologram intensity}\} \\ &= r \star r + o \star o + o \star r + r \star o \end{aligned}$$

# Integrated mask/sample approach in normal transmission geometry



**Advantages:**

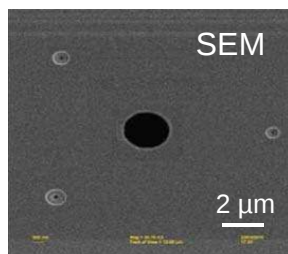
- easy to align,
- stable against vibrations
- sample environment (temperature, magnetic fields, etc.)

**Disadvantage:** fixed field of view, difficult fabrication

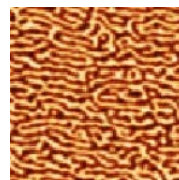
# FTH Imaging of perpendicular magnetic domains using circular polarization



FIB fabricated mask

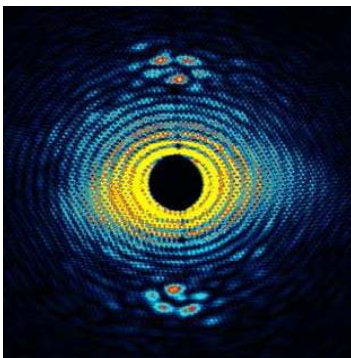


MFM

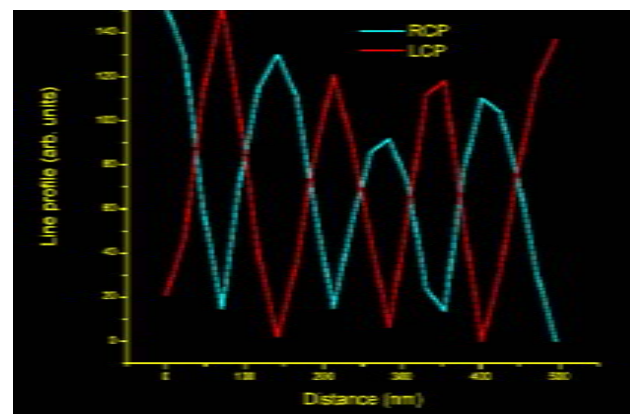
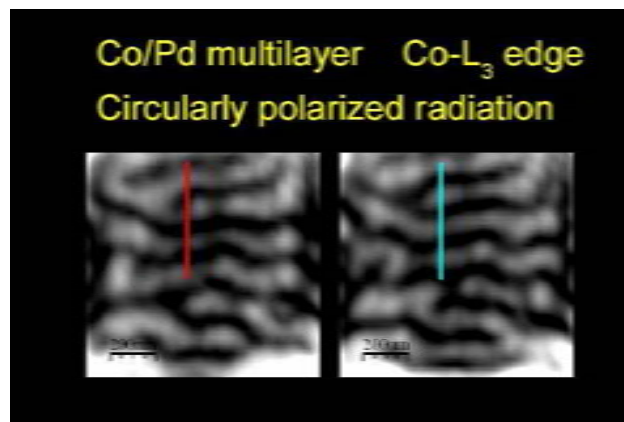
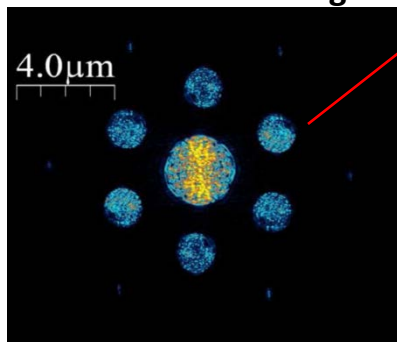


Co/Pd multilayer  
- perpendicular  
magnetization  
- meander domains

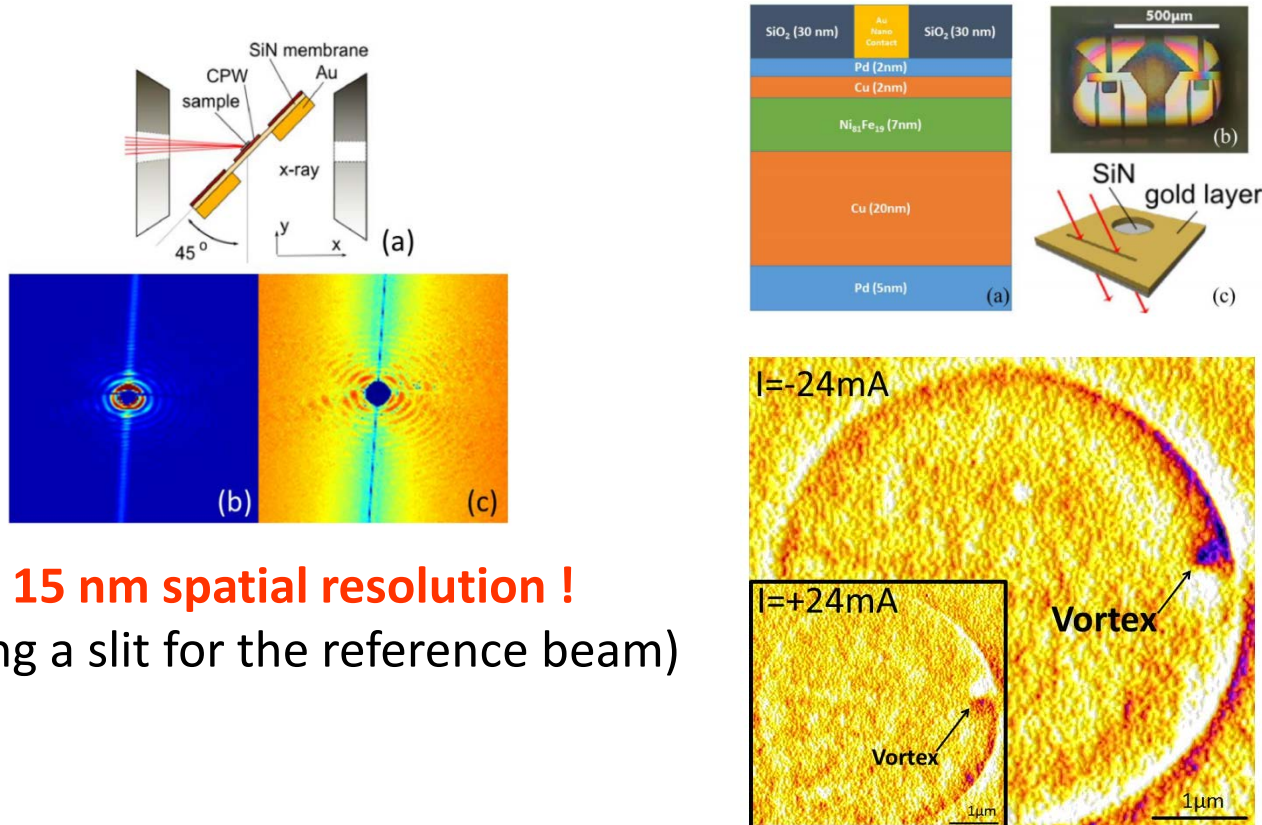
diffraction diagram



reconstructed image



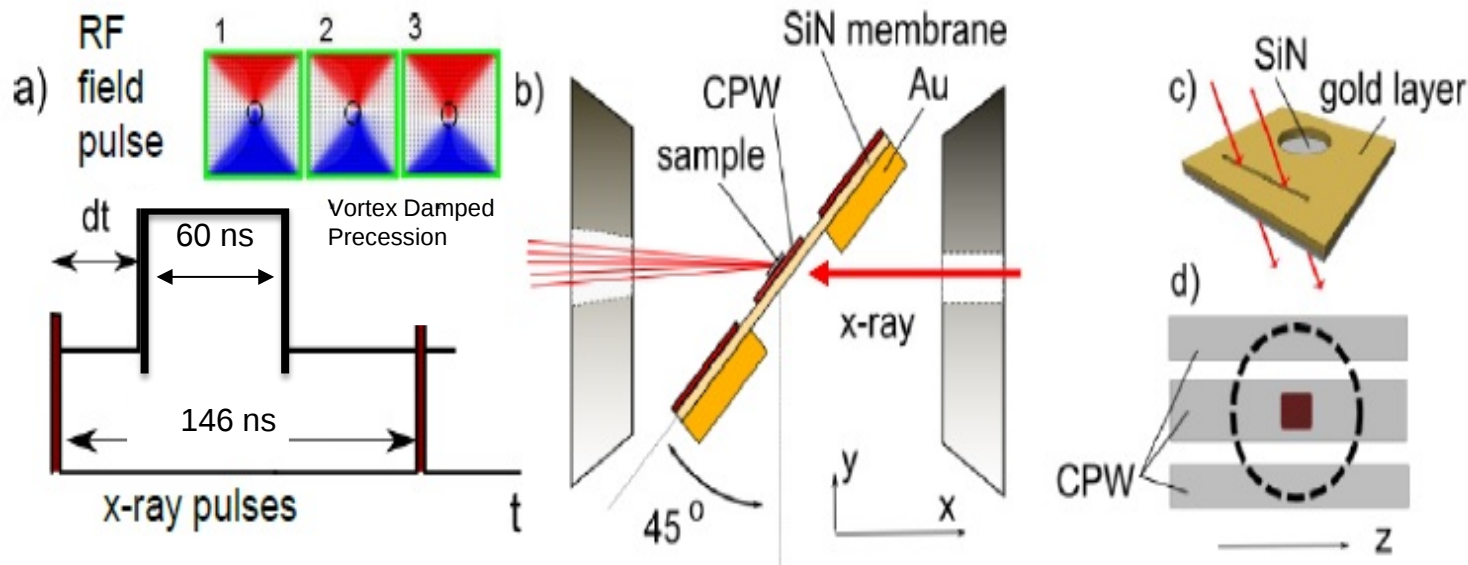
# Holographic magnetic imaging of single layer nano-contact spin transfer oscillators



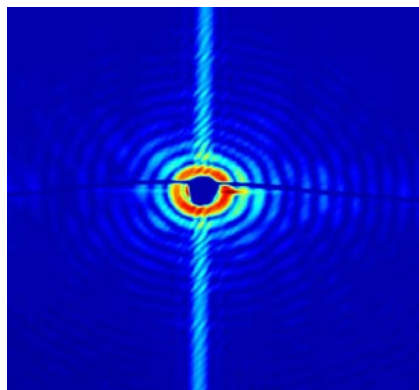
**15 nm spatial resolution !**  
(using a slit for the reference beam)

*E. O. Burgos Parra et al., IEEE Transactions on Magnetics, Volume PP, Issue 99 (2016)*

## Experimental Principle



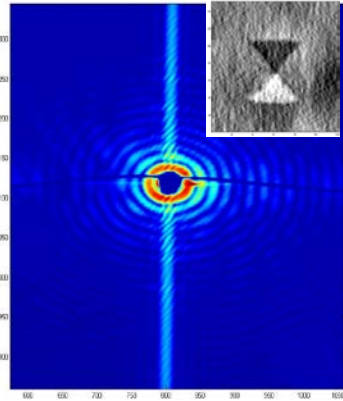
## Static Measurement



F Ogrin (Exeter, UK)  
G van der Laan (DLS, UK)  
G Beutier (Grenoble, France)

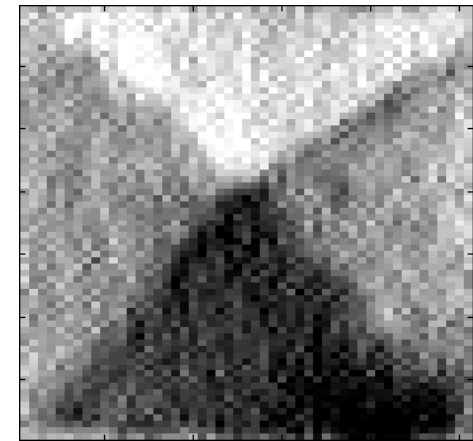
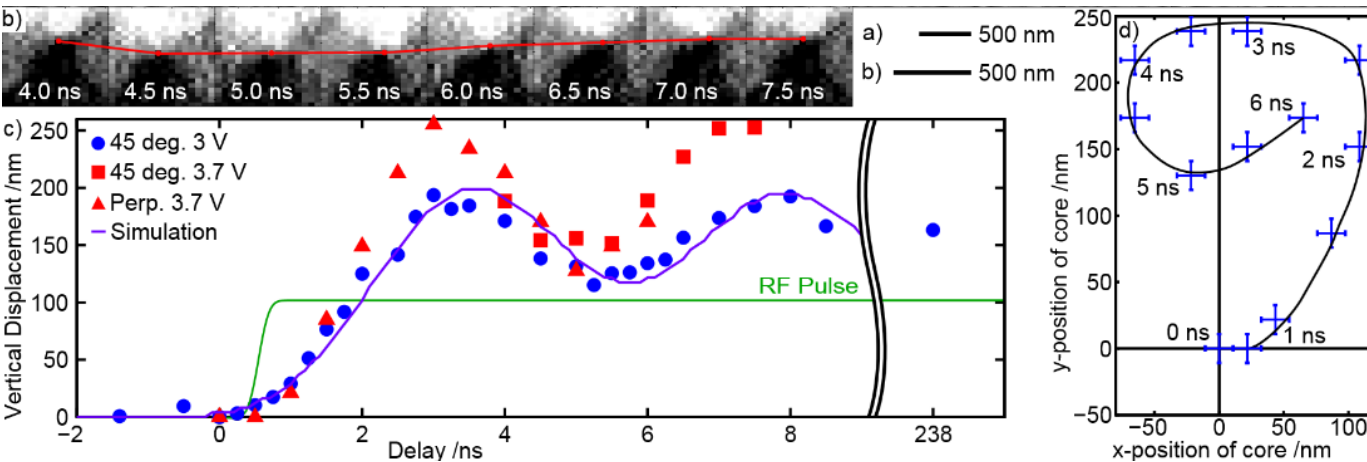


## Static image



- 8 bunch @ SEXTANTS beamline; 146 ns delay
- 2  $\mu\text{m}$  x 2  $\mu\text{m}$  Py square,  $\sim 50$  nm thick
- Spatial Resolution: **35 nm** per pixel
- Temporal Resolution: **250/500 ps**
- An RF pulse (60ns width, 1ns rise time) excited core gyration

## In plane: Vortex Dynamic



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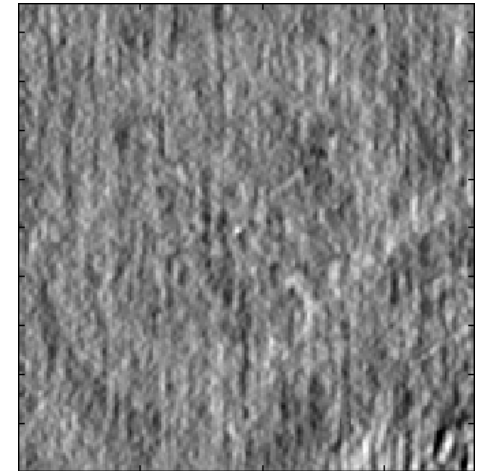
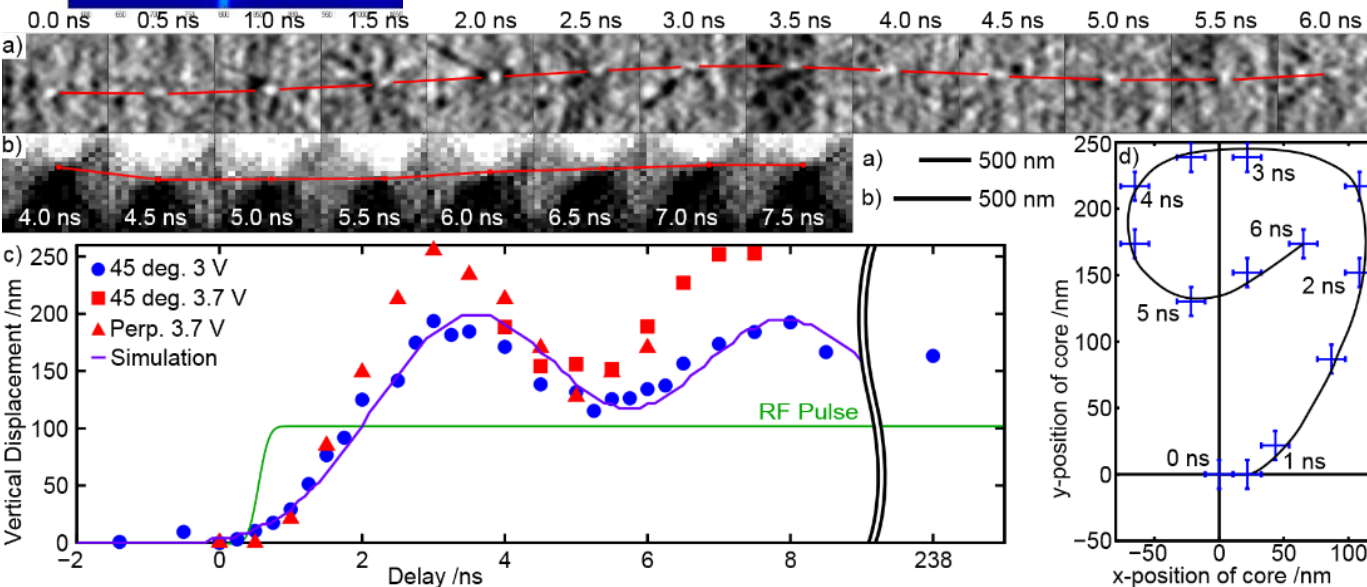
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H. Popescu, *Workshop Round Beam, Soleil* (14/06/2017)

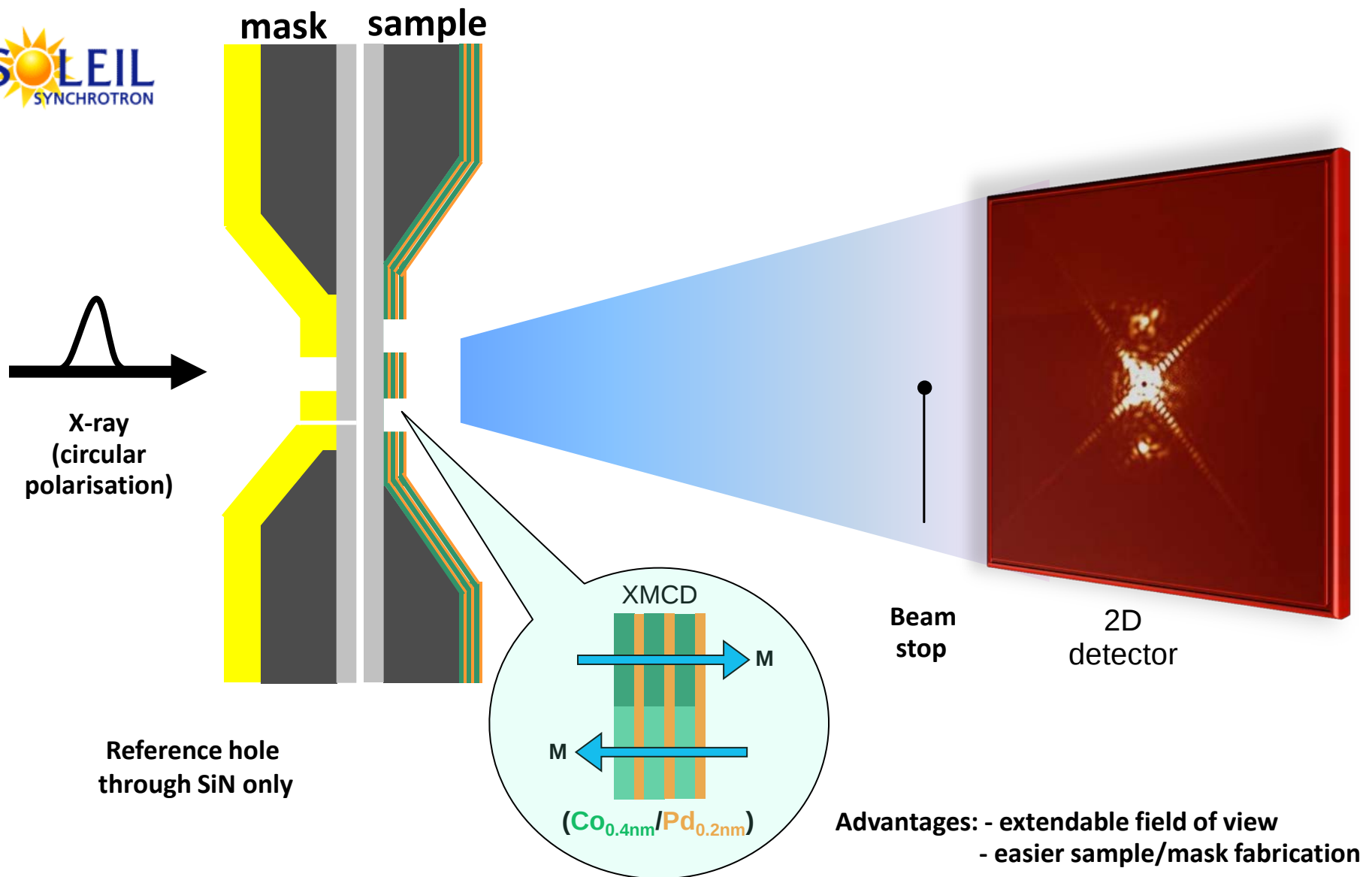
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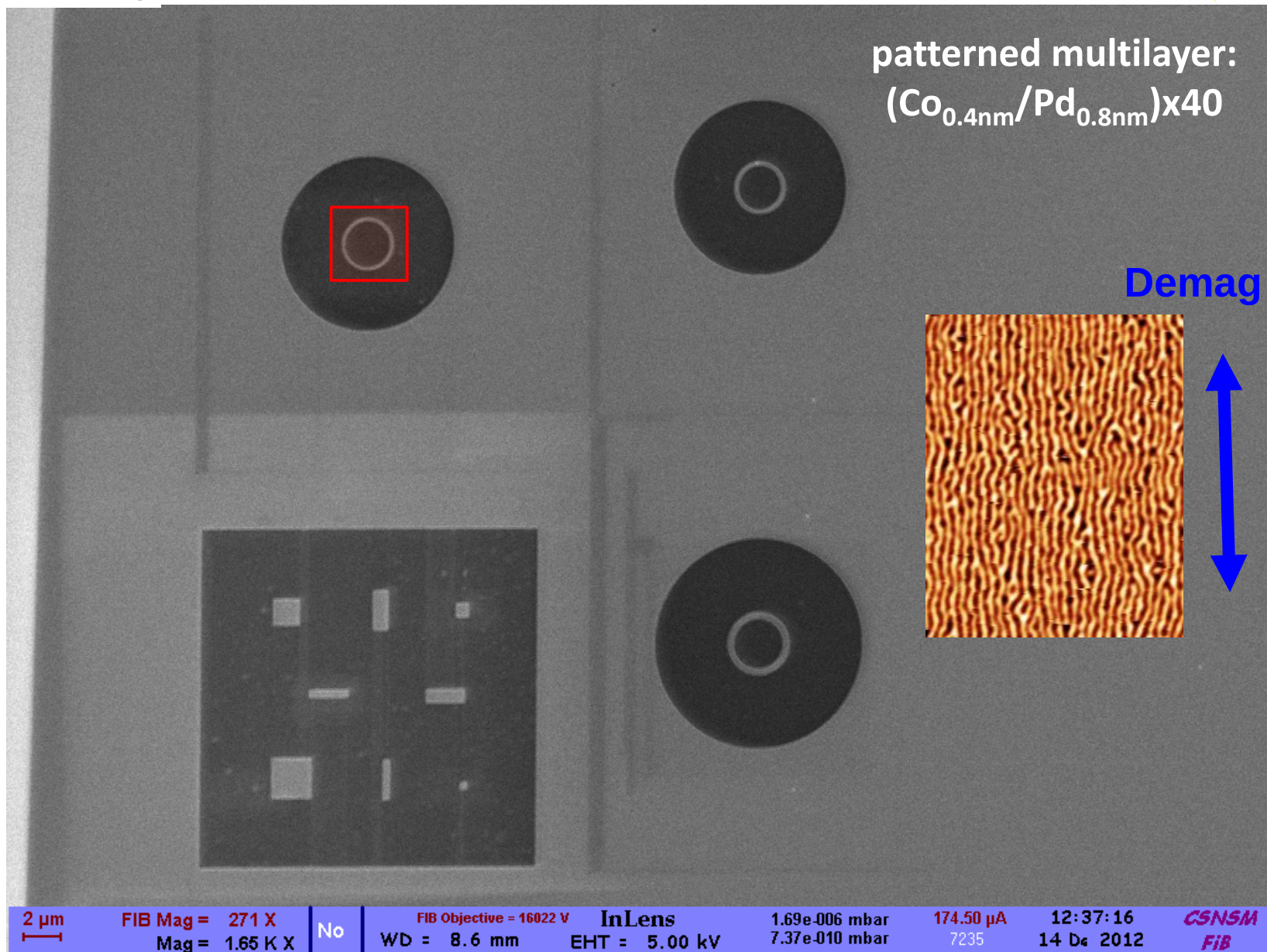
- 8 bunch @ SEXTANTS beamline; 146 ns delay
- 2  $\mu\text{m}$  x 2  $\mu\text{m}$  Py square,  $\sim 50$  nm thick
- Spatial Resolution: **25 nm** per pixel
- Temporal Resolution: **250/500 ps**
- An RF pulse (60ns width, 1ns rise time) excited core gyration

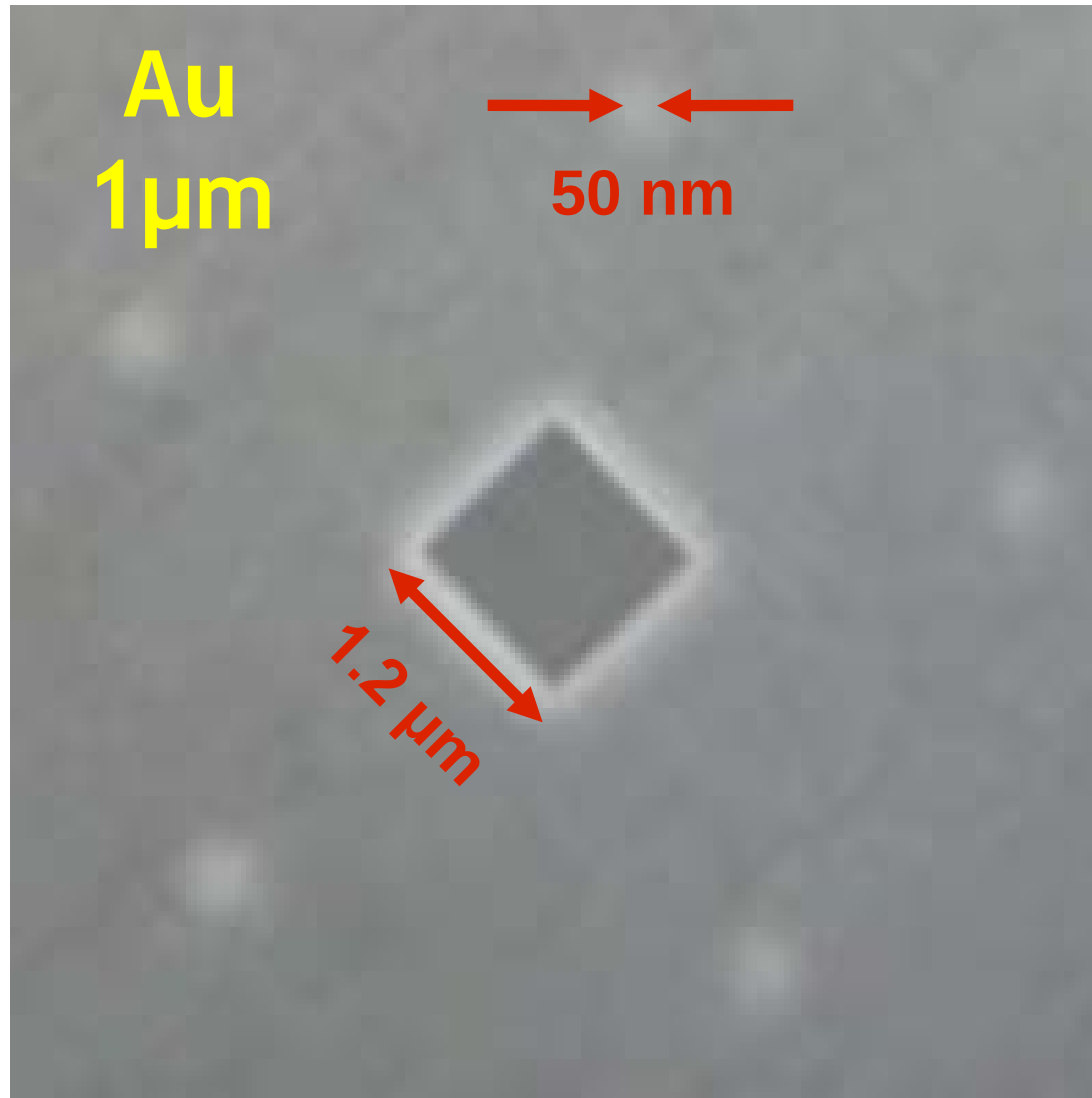
## Out of Plane: Vortex + DW Dynamic

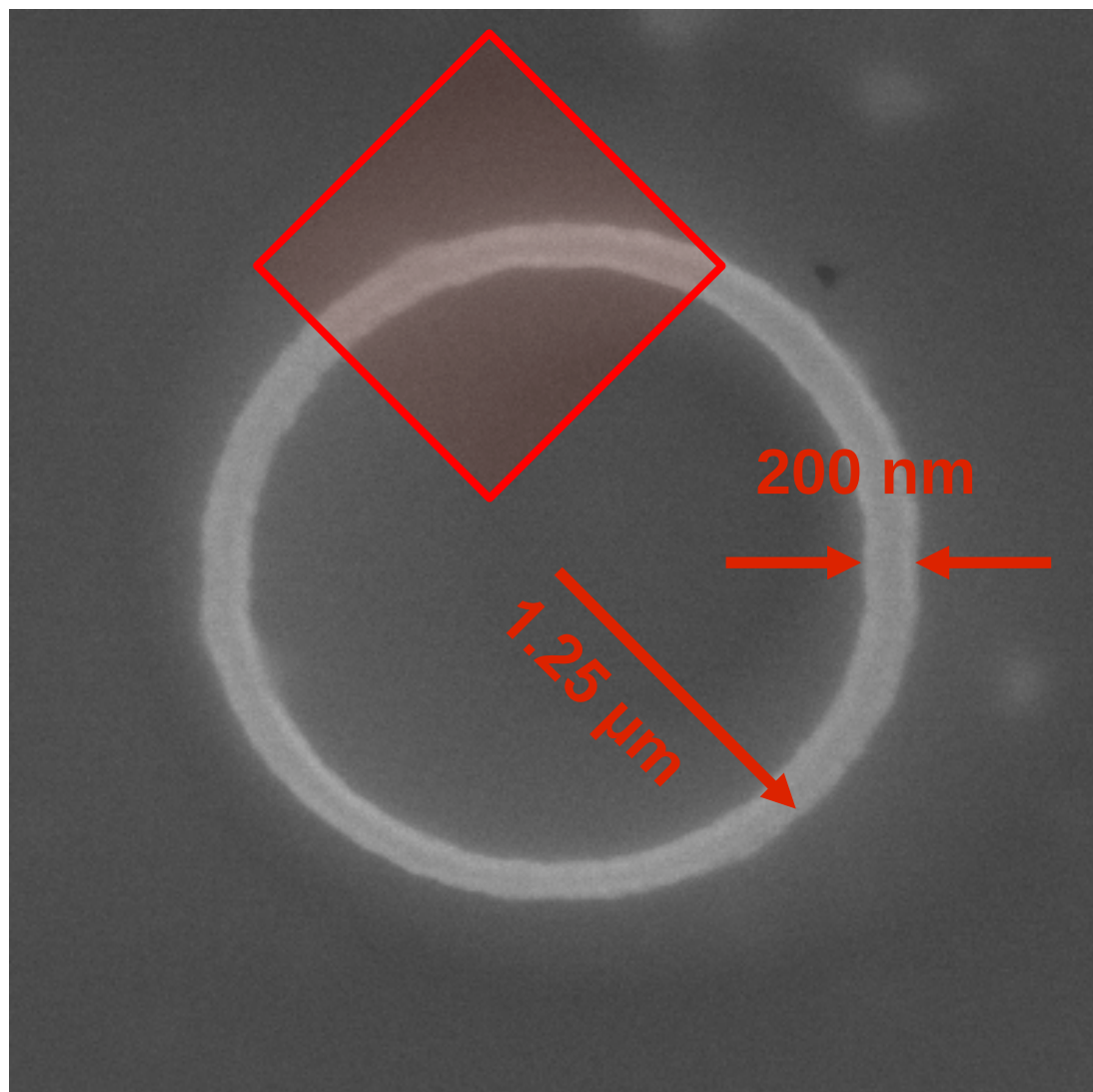


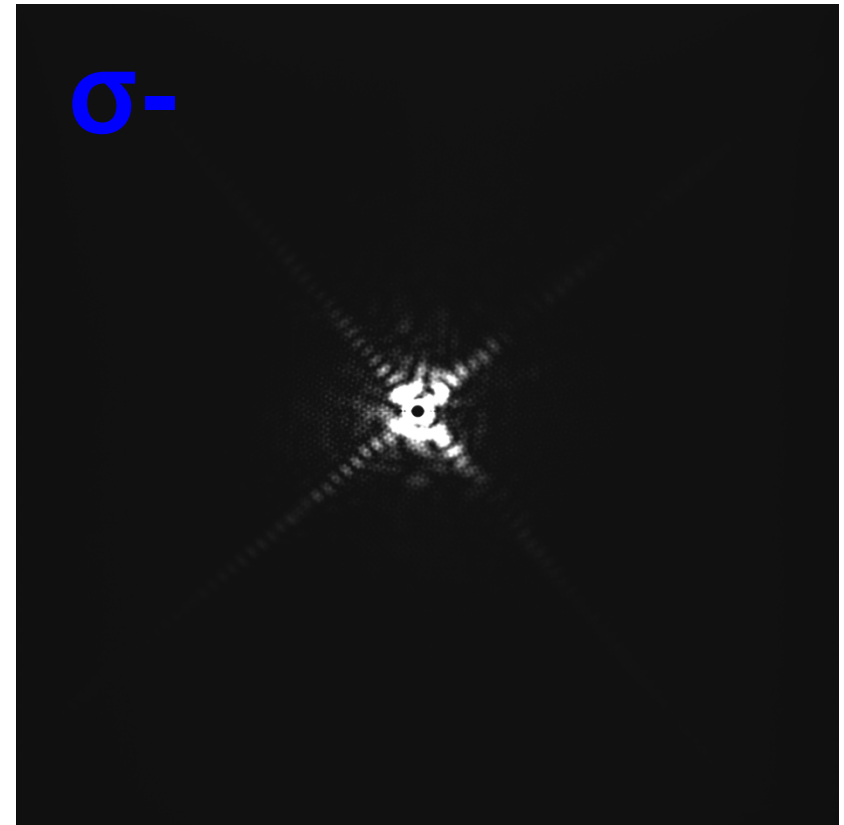
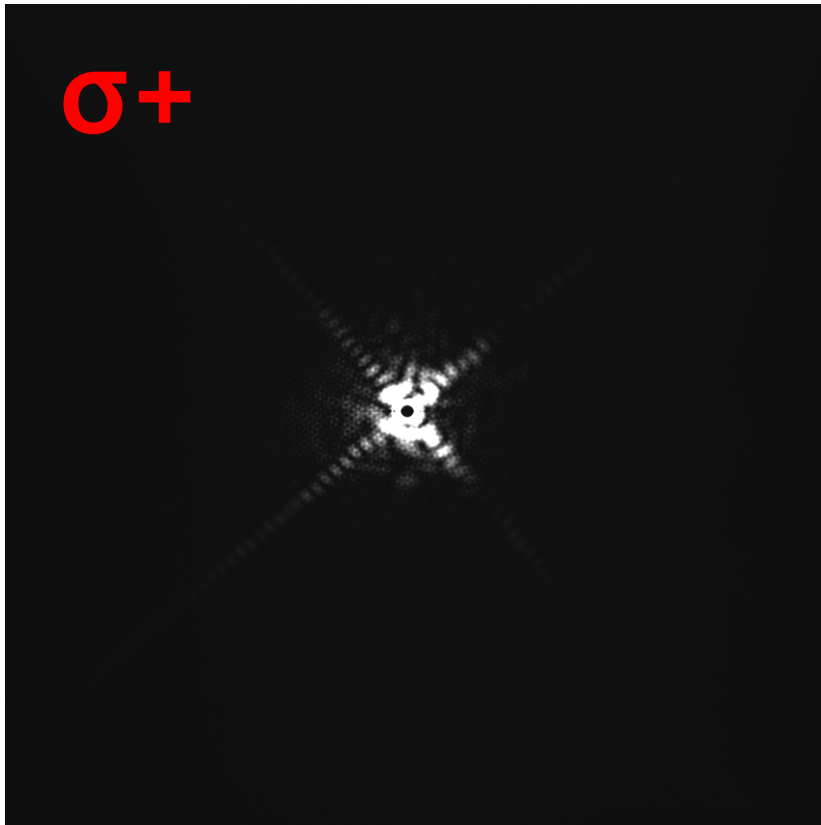
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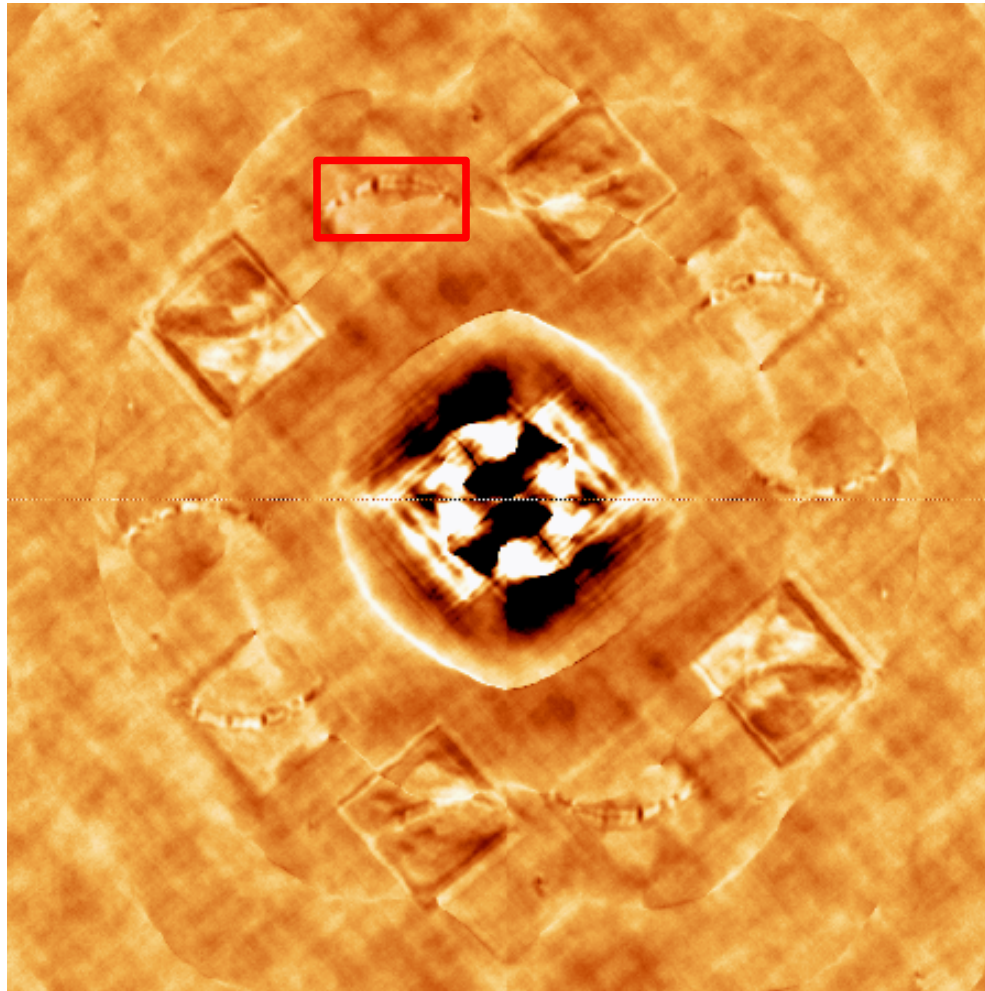




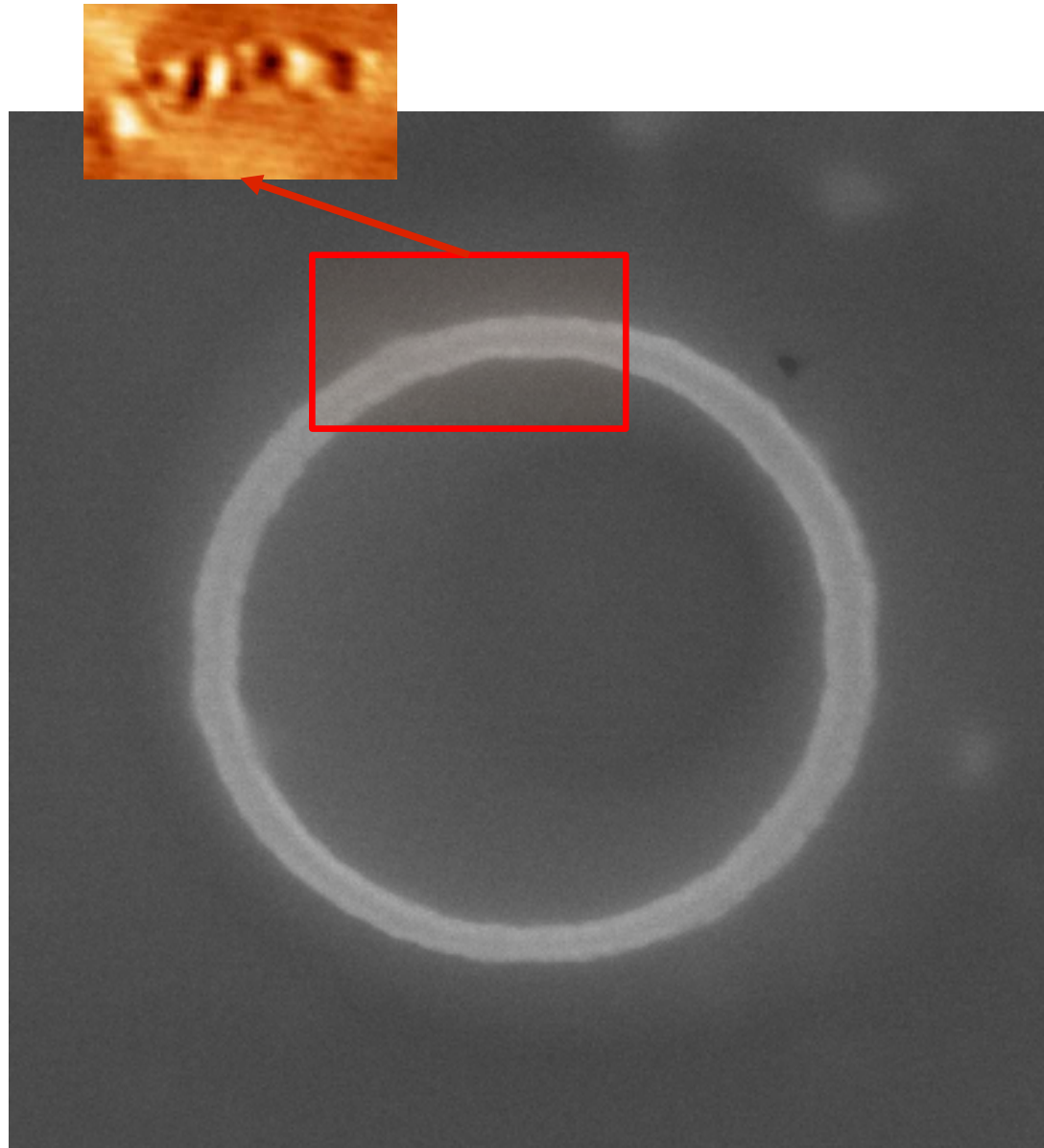


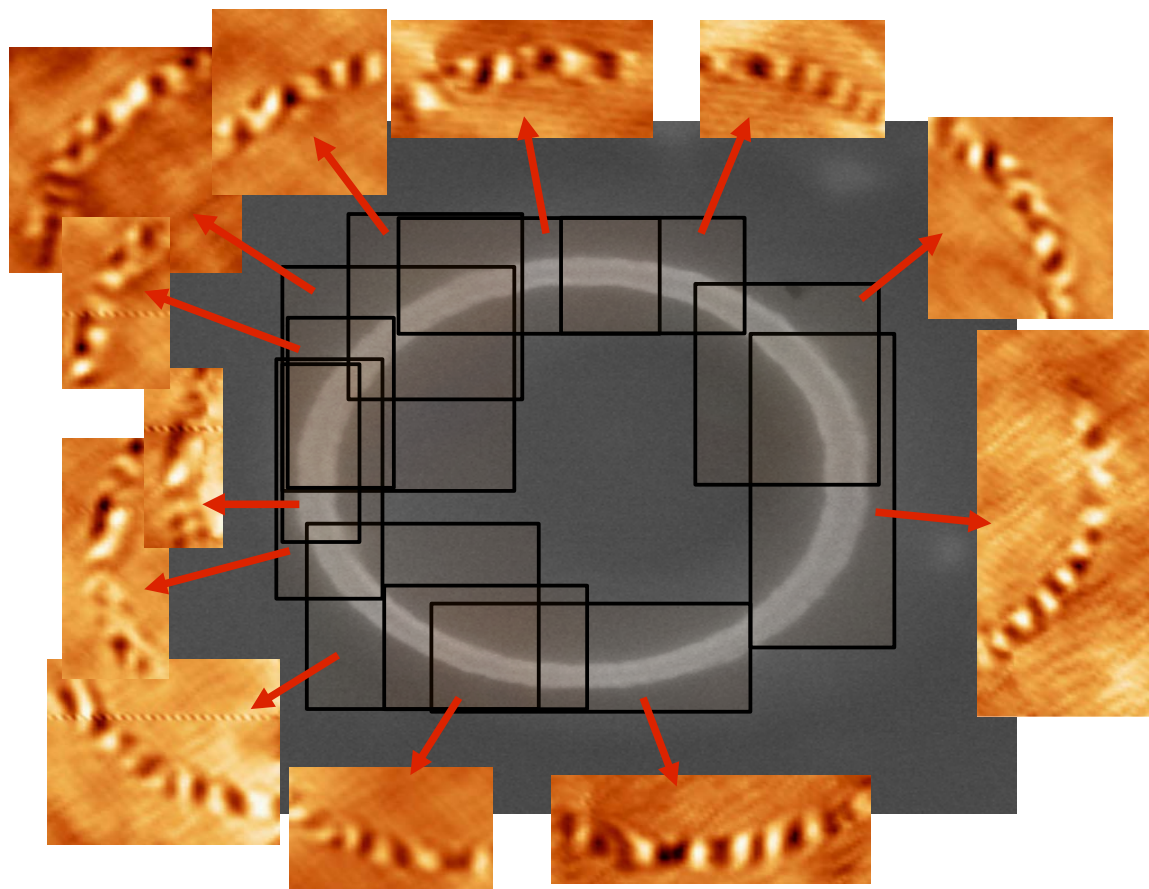


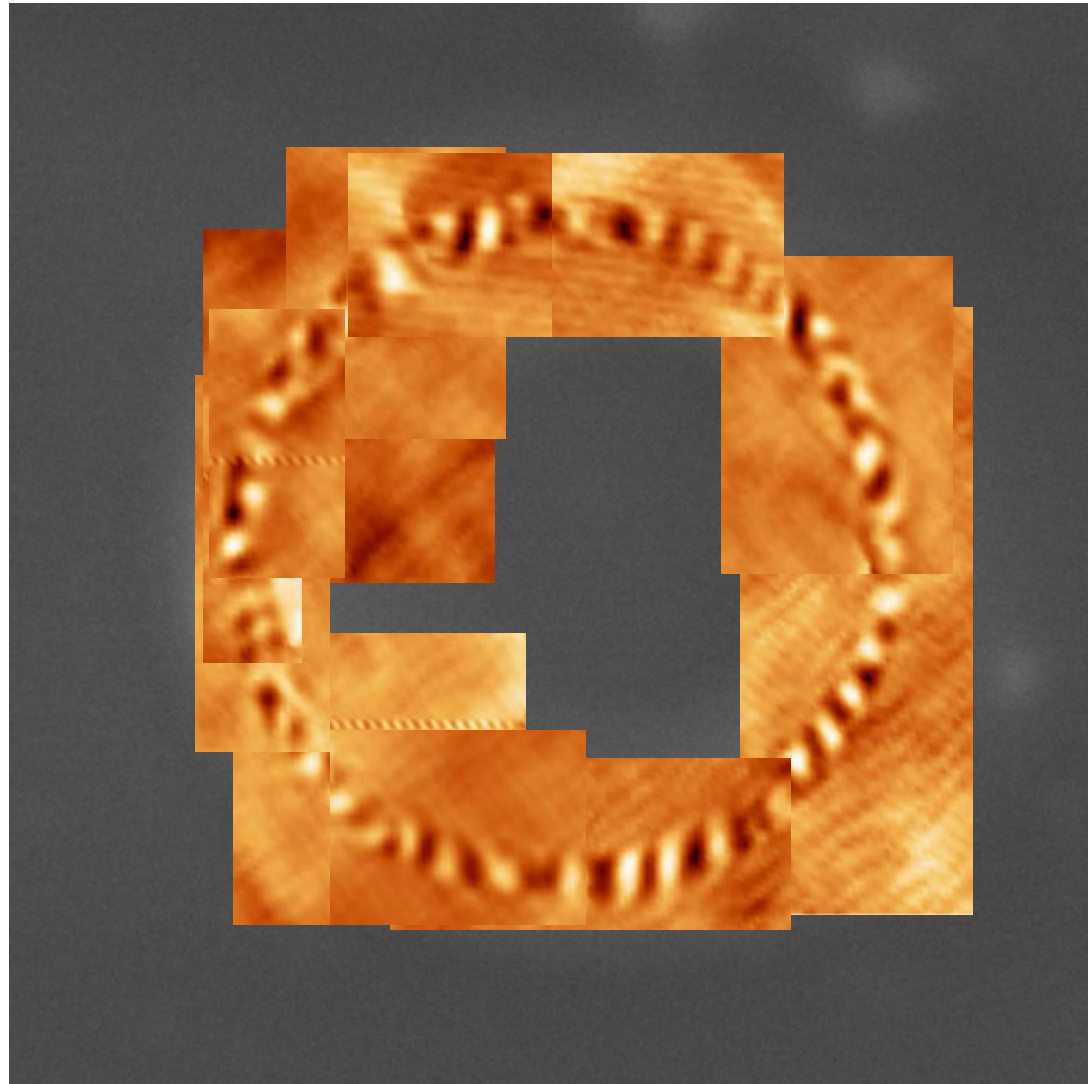


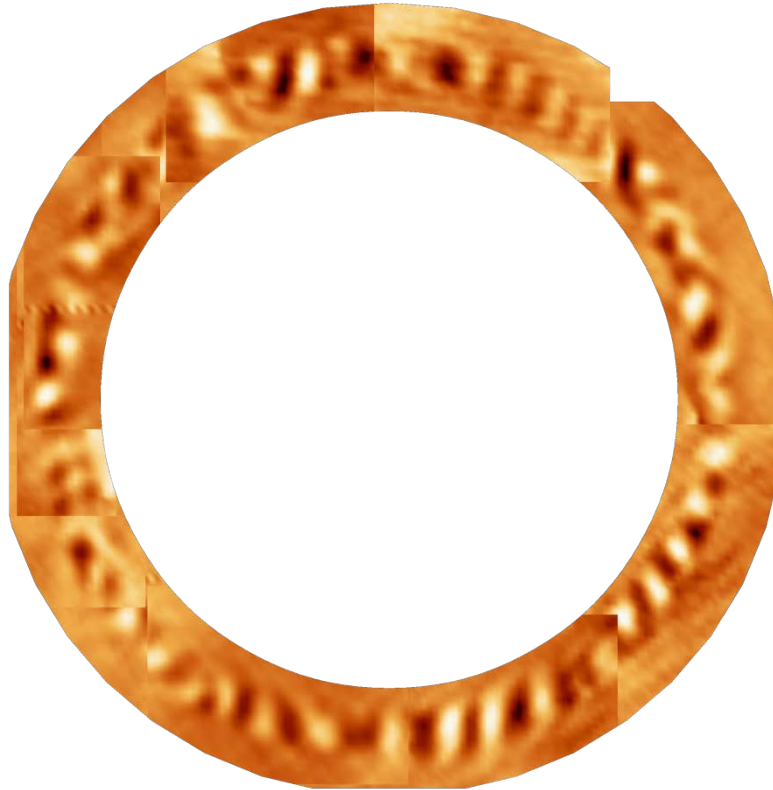


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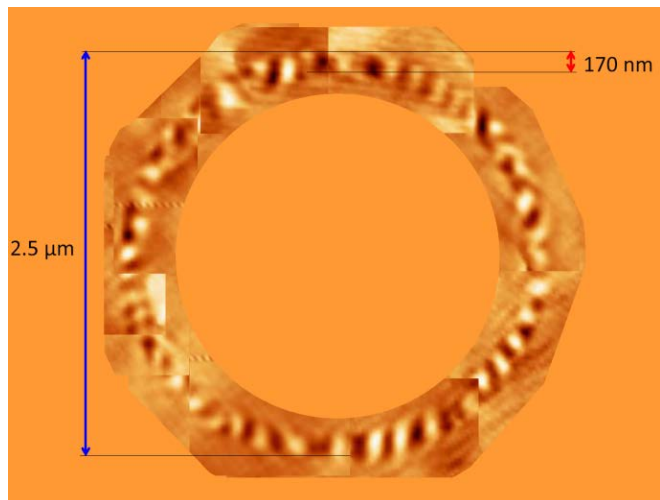




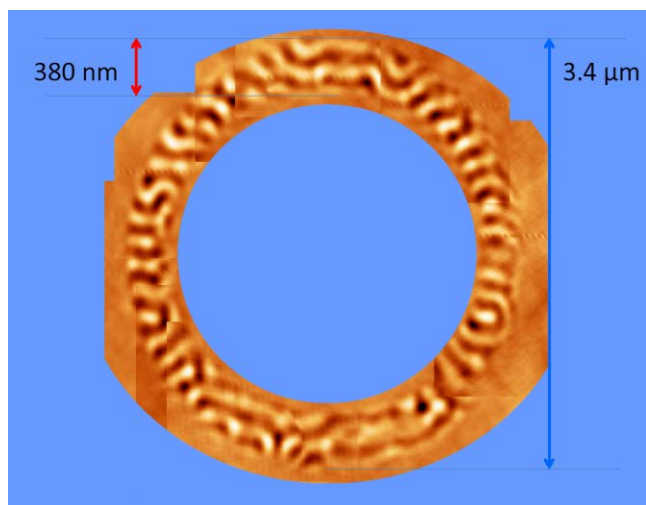
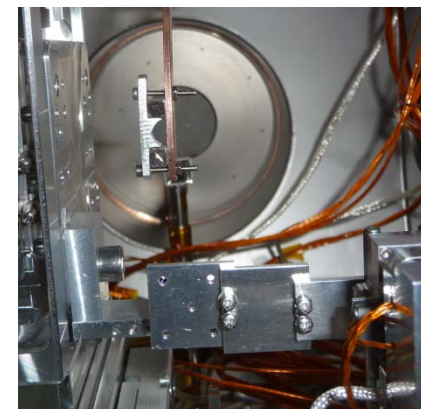
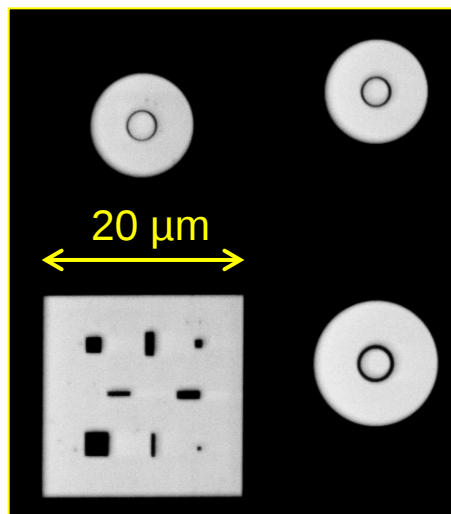




# FTH imaging of perpendicular magnetic domains using the extended field of view



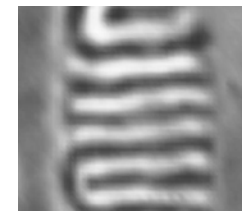
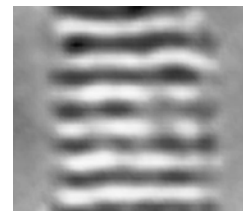
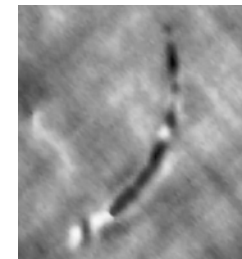
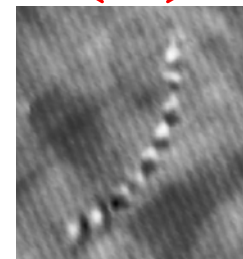
patterned multilayer:  
 $(\text{Co}_{0.4\text{nm}}/\text{Pd}_{0.8\text{nm}})_{\times 40}$



Ex situ demag



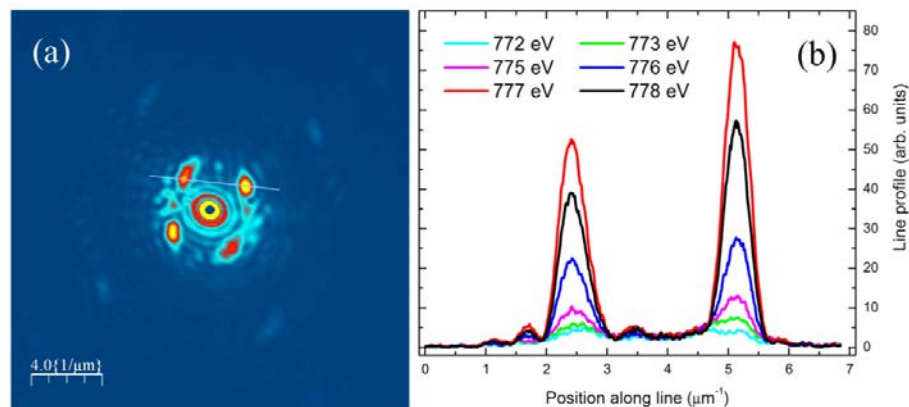
400 Oe  $\uparrow$  **H**



# Linear polarization in normal incidence for out of plane magnetization (interest for FEL and HHG surces)

## General idea:

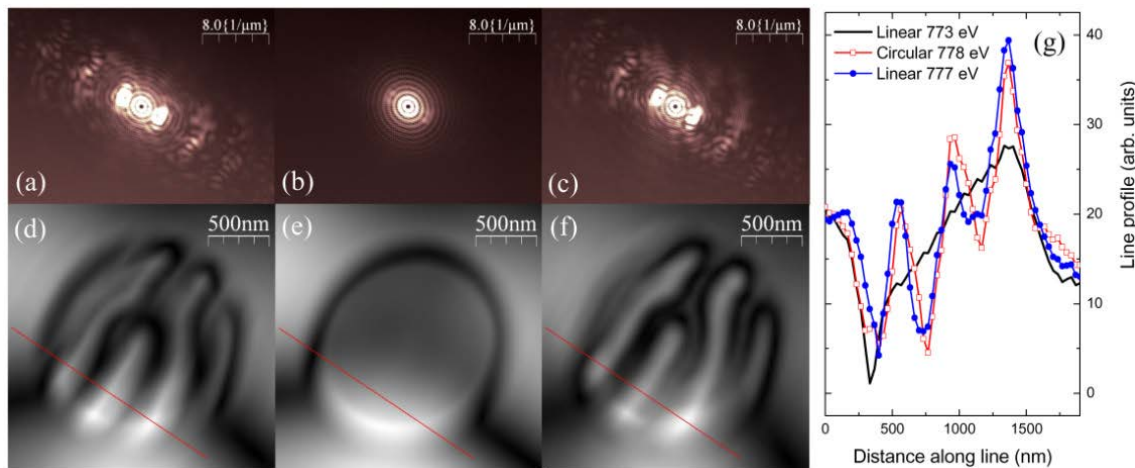
the reference wave is also  
crossing the magnetic layer



777eV, LP

773 eV, LP

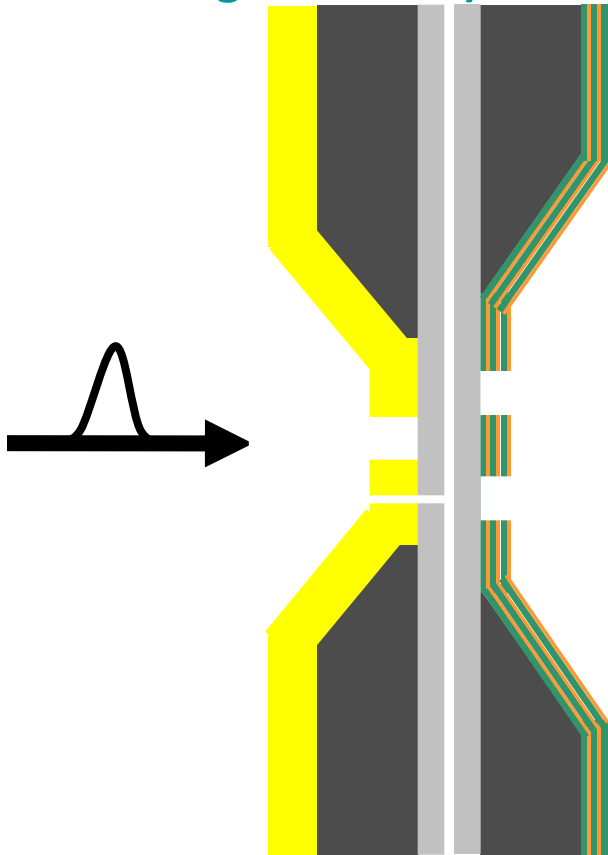
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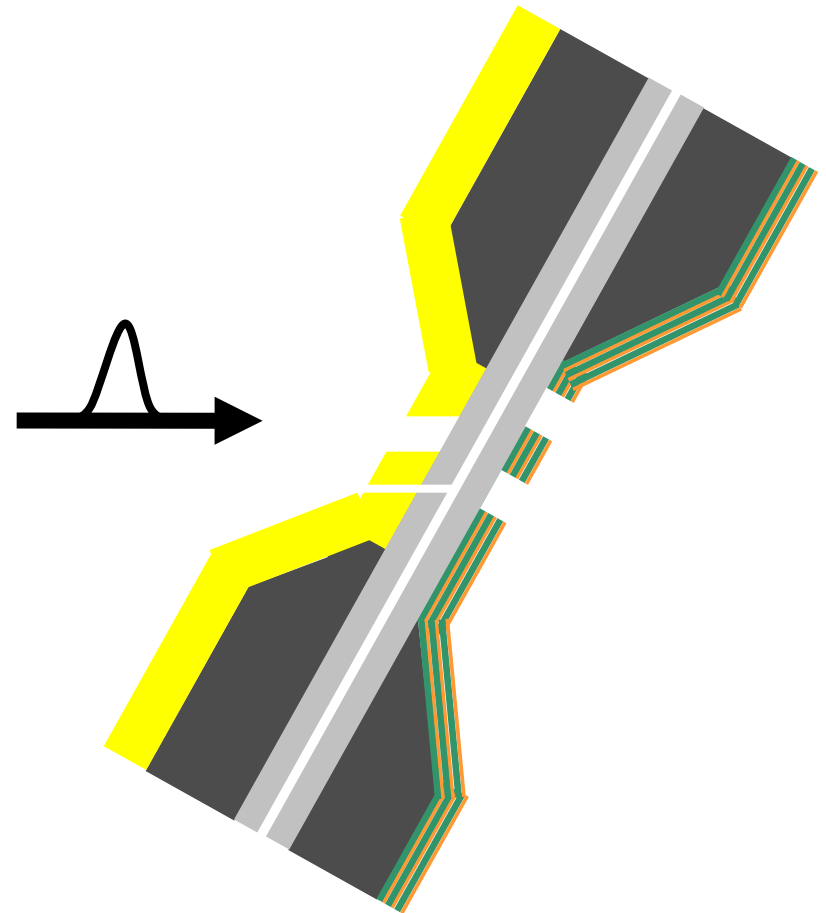
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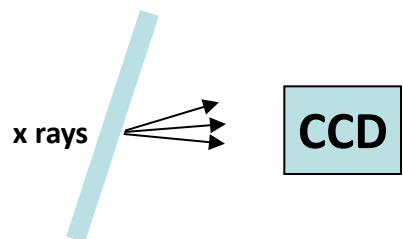
## Transmission geometries :

normal incidence  
(out of plane magnetization)  
magnetization)

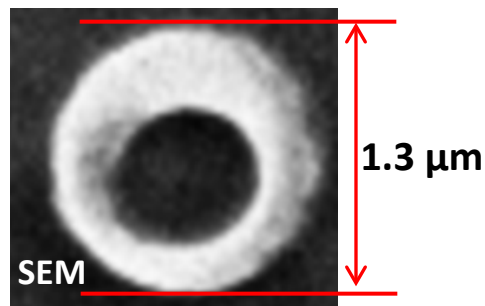


tilted geometry  
(in plane magnetization)

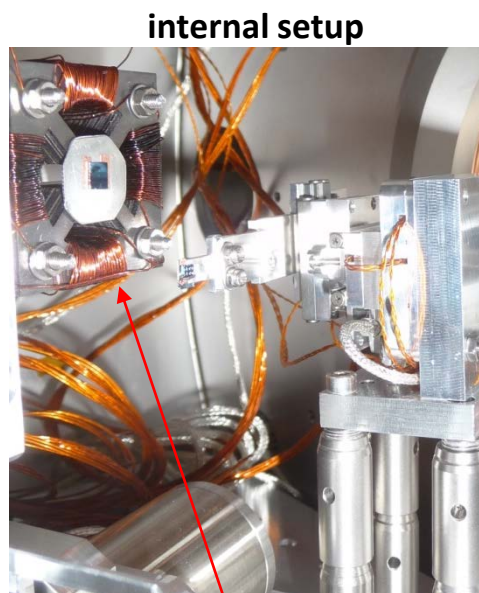
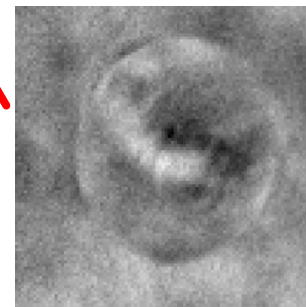




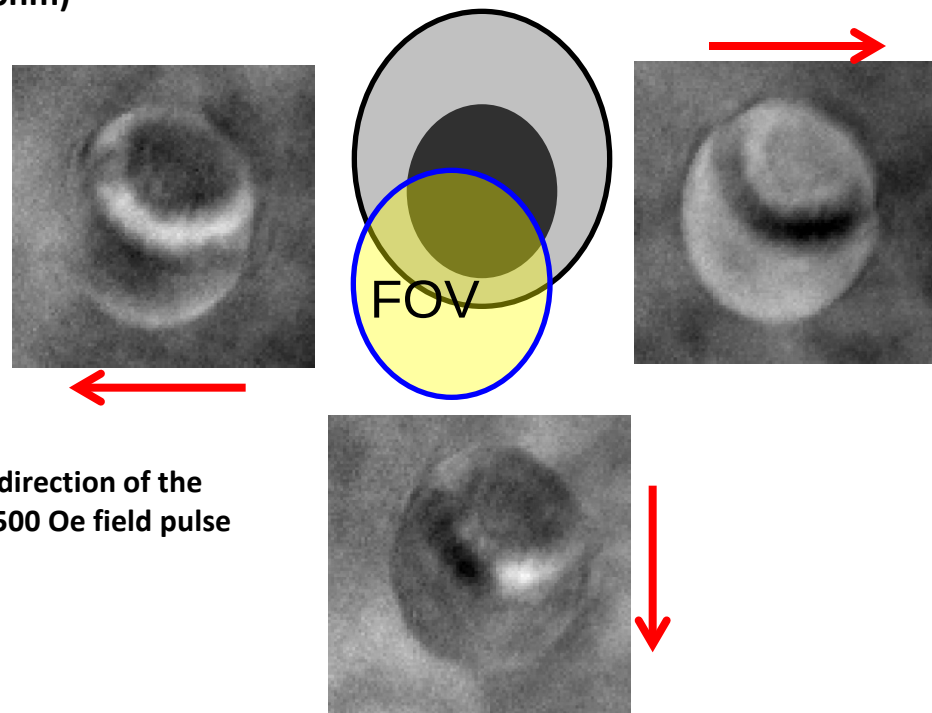
Co L3, 778 eV, circular polarisation

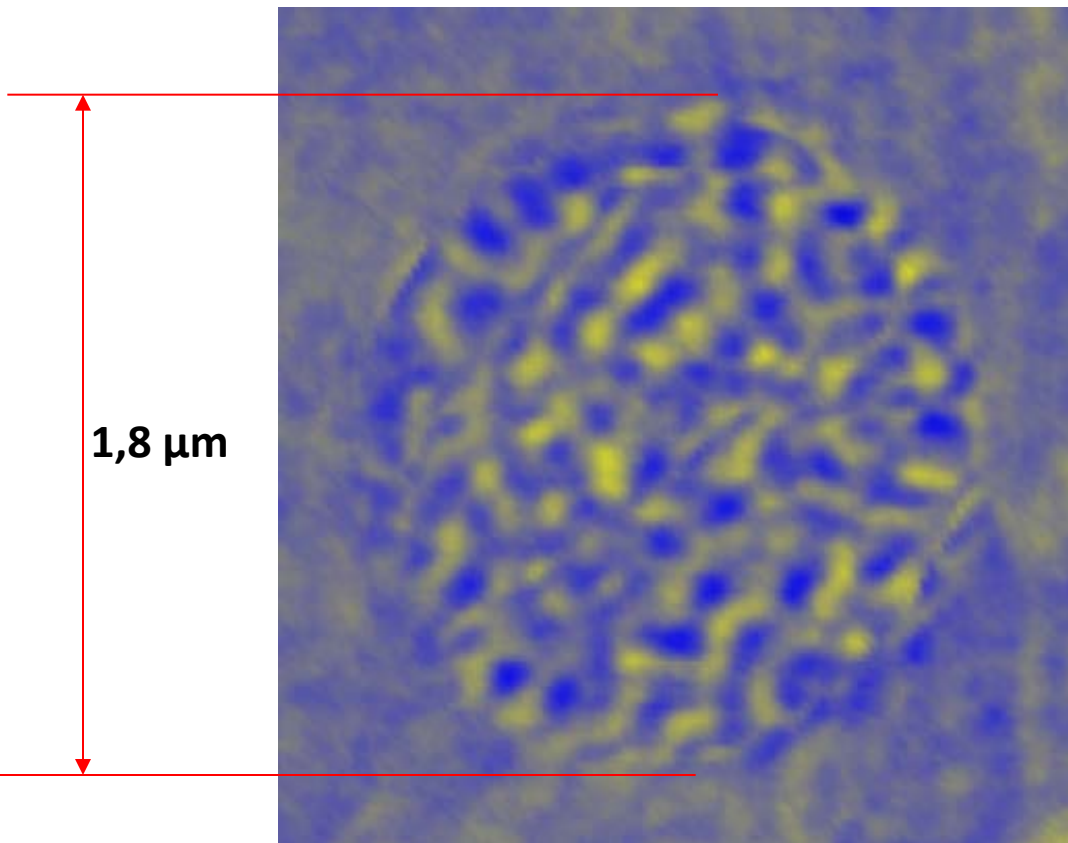


Four remanent states



500 Oe (pulsed mode)





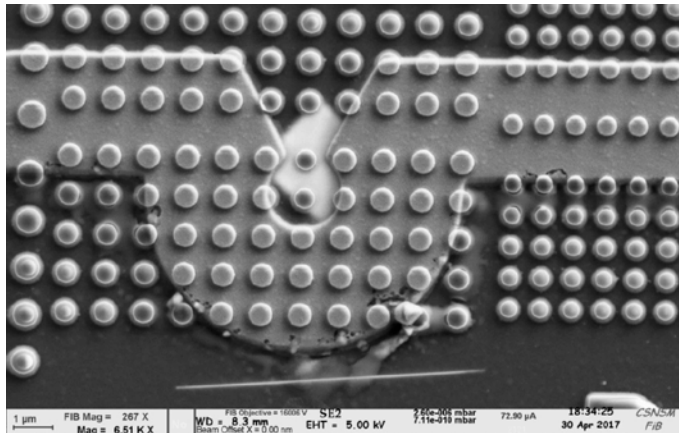
Sample  
(Co<sub>0.6</sub>/Pt<sub>1</sub>)x30

**90nm magnetic bubbles**

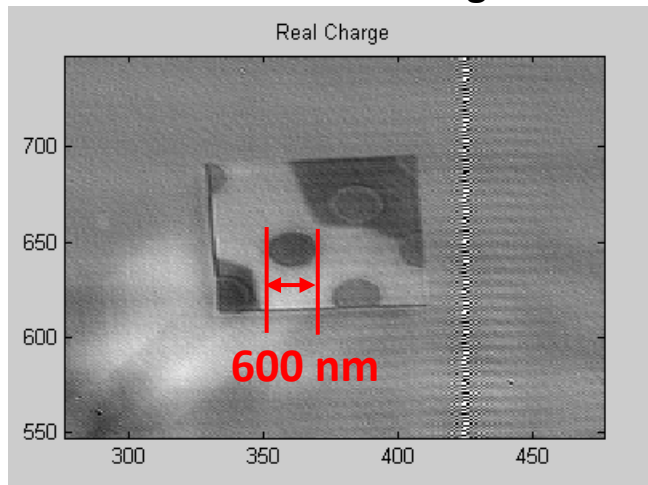
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# Holographic imaging of 600 nm dots with integrated mask and Heraldo technique

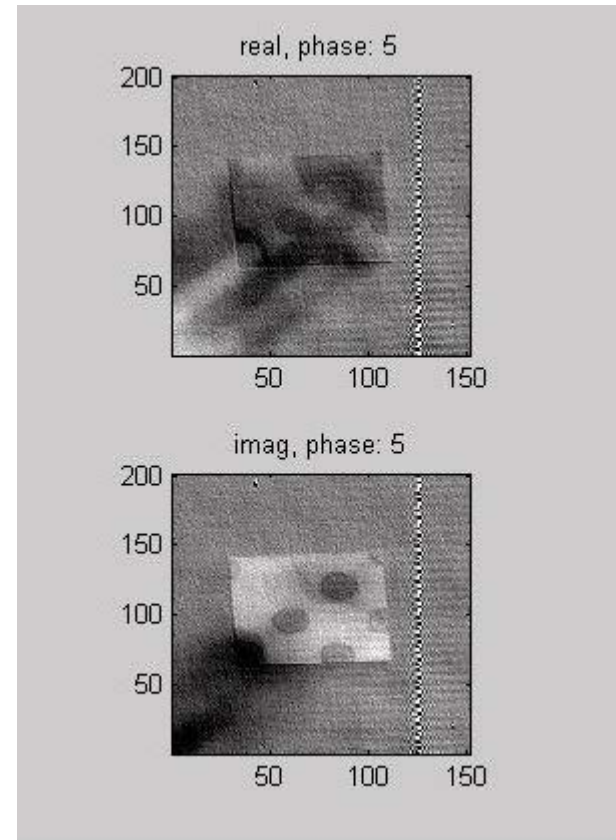
Sample  $(\text{Ta}_1/\text{Co}_{0.6}/\text{Pt}_1)\text{x}5$



Reconstructed image:

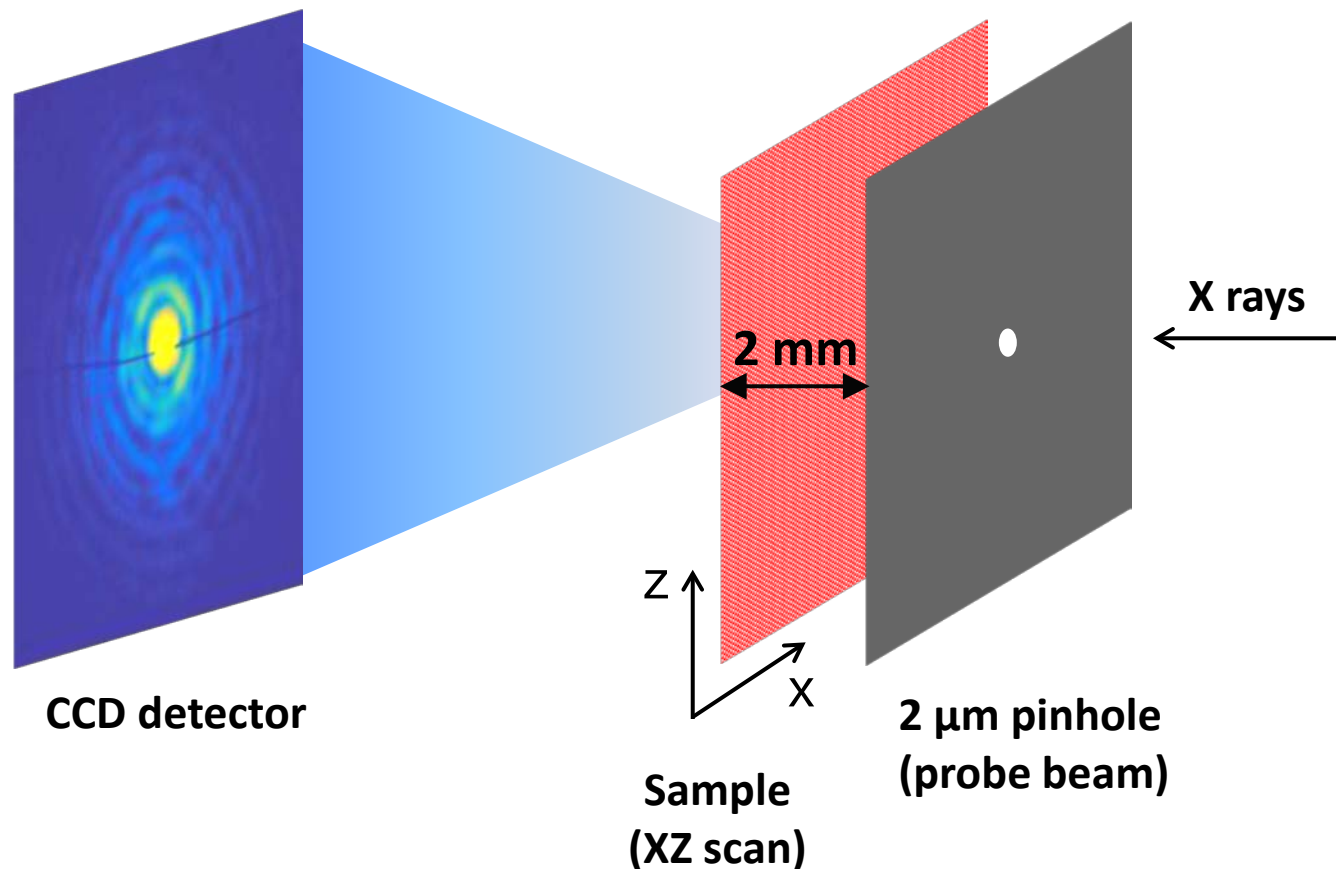


Reconstructed image (phase scan):



25 nm resolution

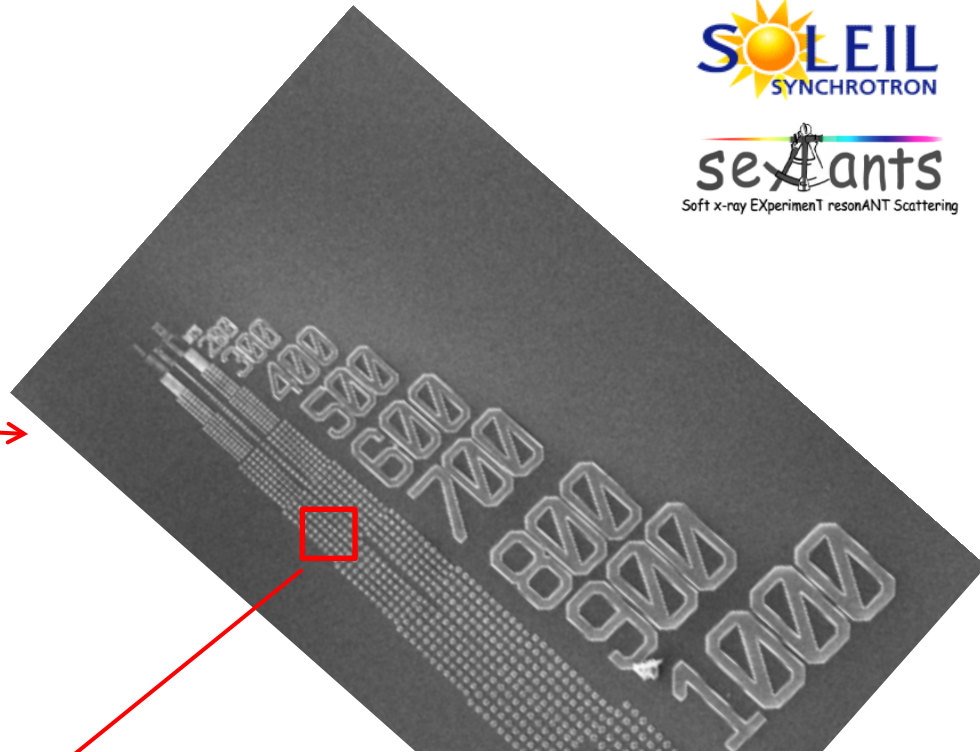
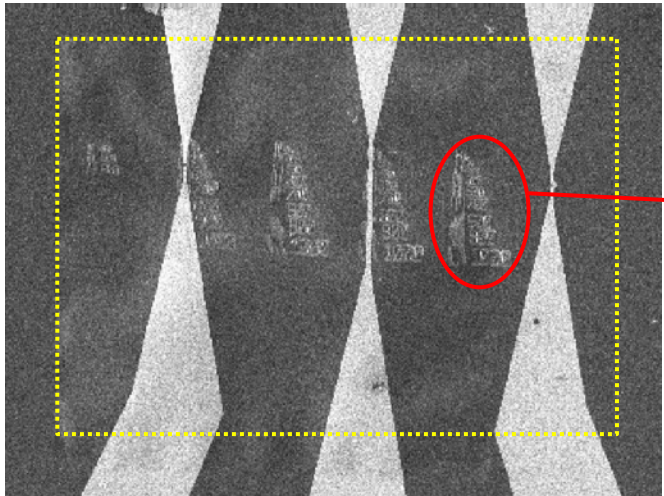
## Ptychography imaging technique:



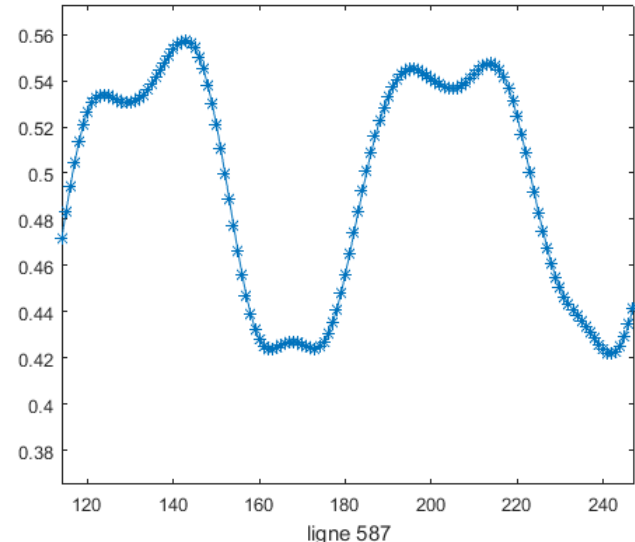
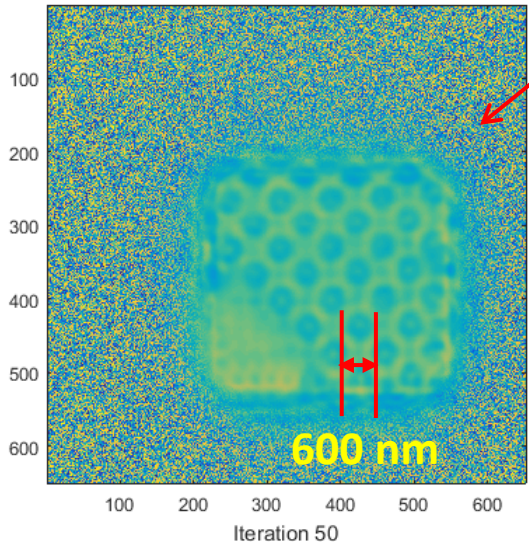
A 2D diffraction diagram is recorded for each sample position. If enough overlap, by iterative algorithms the sample transmission can be reconstructed.

# Ptychography imaging technique

(reconstruction algorithmes by Kadda Medjubi)



200 nm  
resolution



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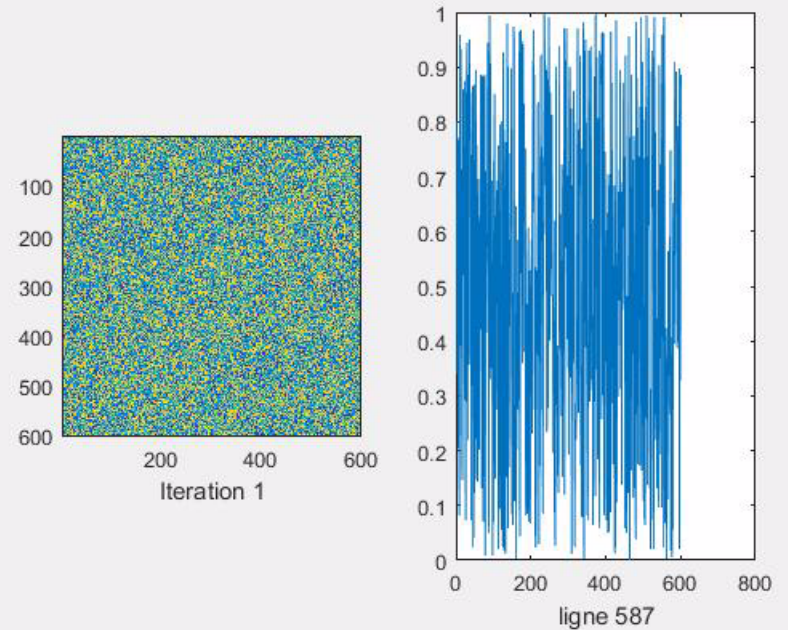
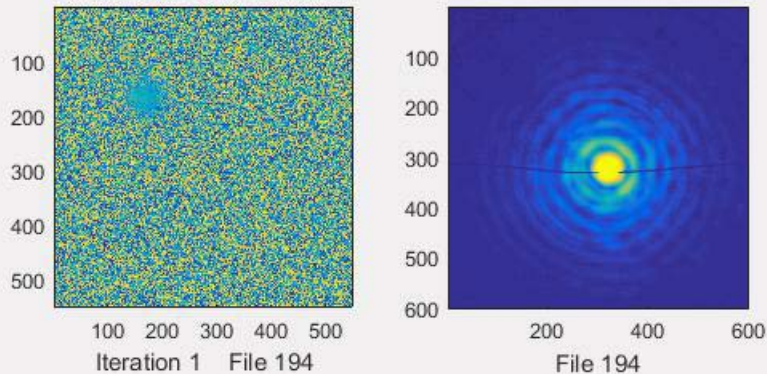
(reconstruction algorithmes by Kadda Medjubi)

Probe beam: **2 $\mu$ m pinhole** placed  
**at 2 mm** from the sample

Sample XZ scan with **500 nm** steps

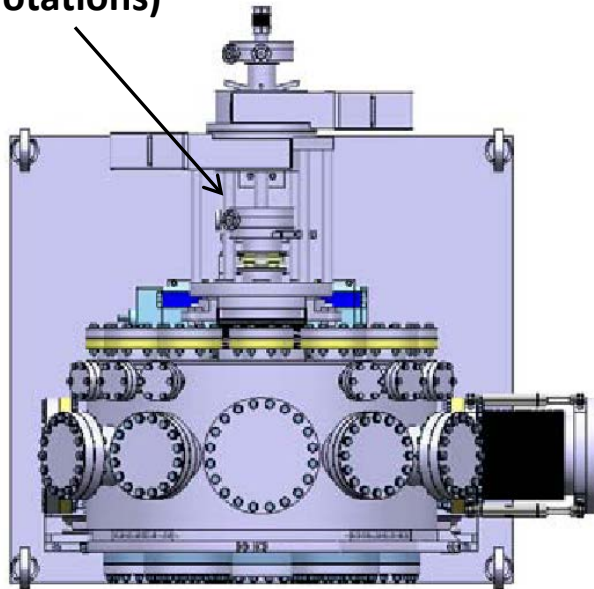
Image reconstruction : detail of first 3 iterations

Evolution to 50 iterations

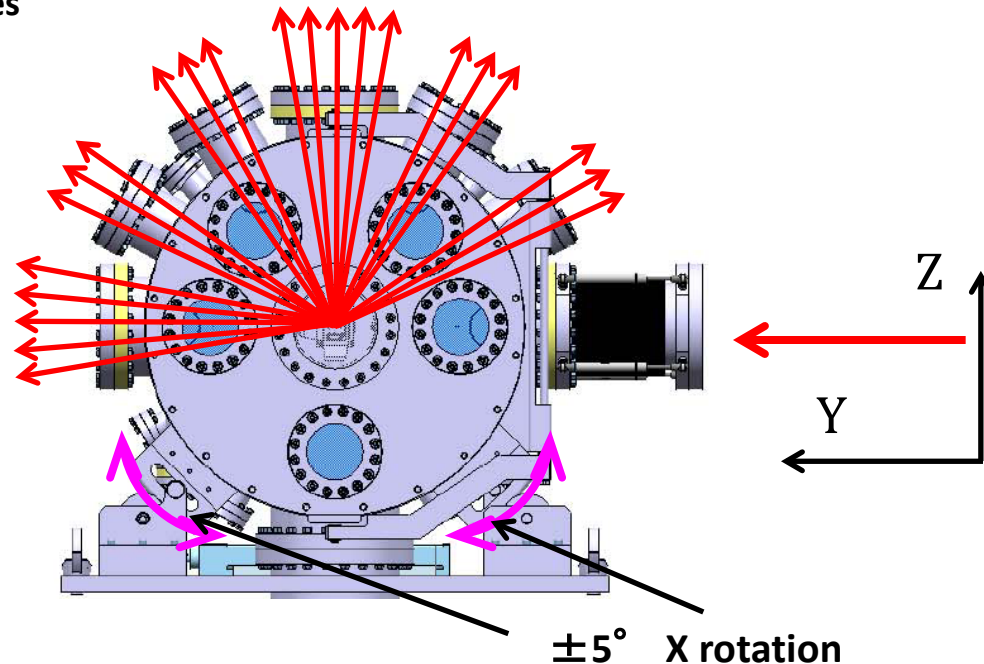


Reflectivity, Diffraction, Coherent scattering, X-ray imaging

2-circle goniometer  
(X axis rotations)

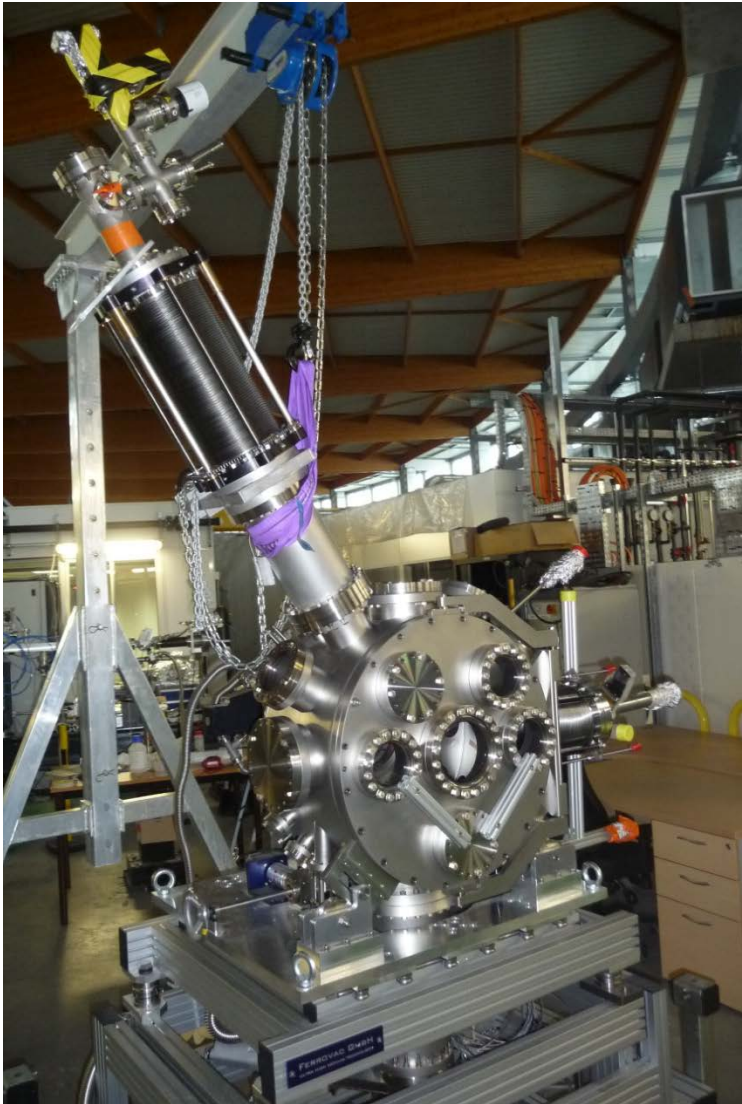


fixed detectors :  $-15^\circ$  –  $160^\circ$  range of scattering angles

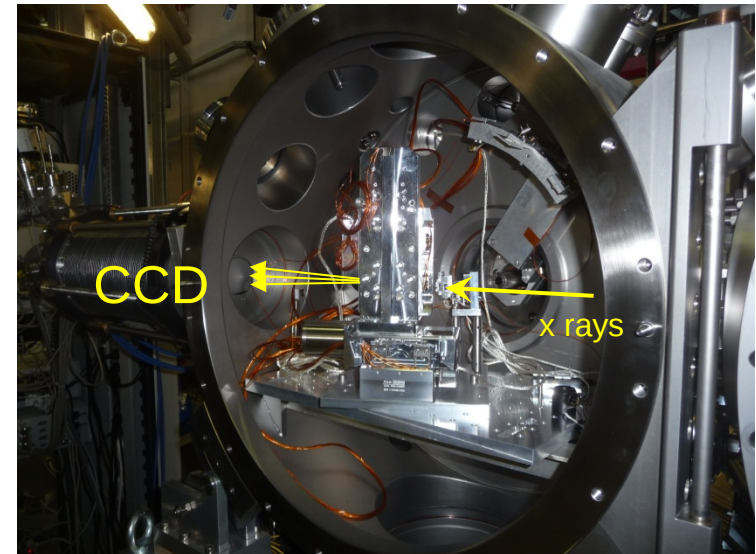


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## 2D detector at 60°

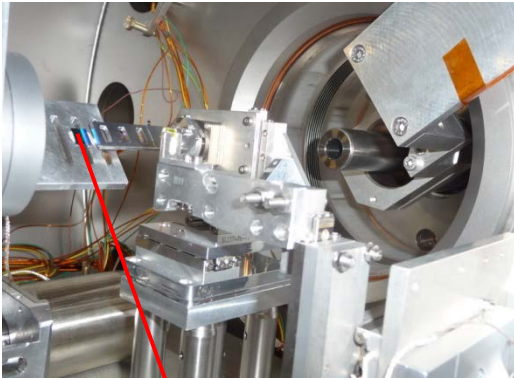


## 2D detector in transmission

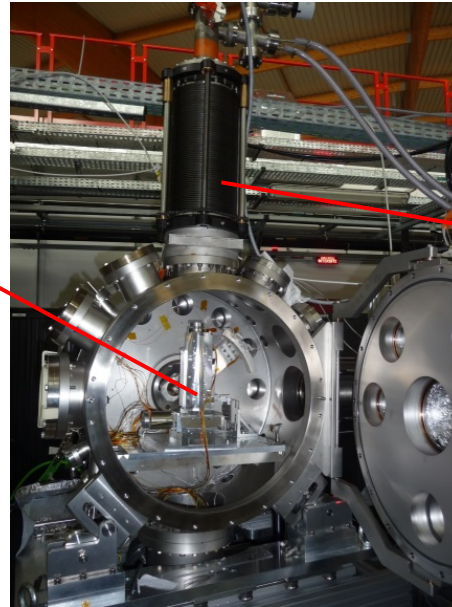


# Ptycography test in reflectivity

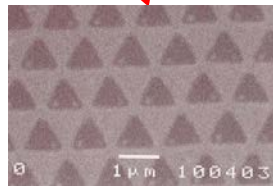
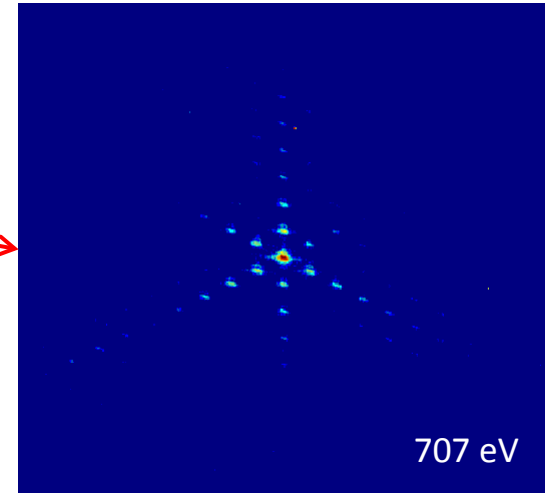
internal setup:



IRMA2



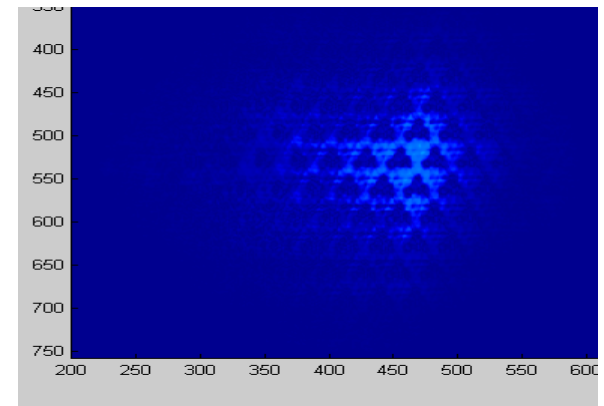
2D detector at 90° :



Py pattern

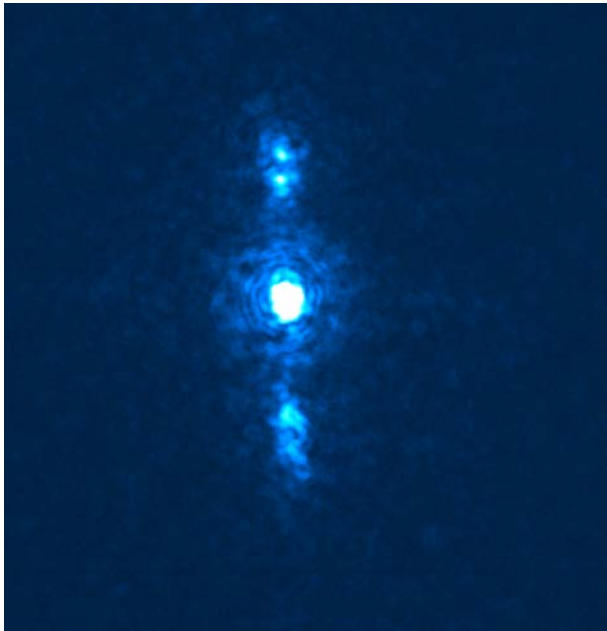
probe beam : 5  $\mu\text{m}$  pinhole  
step\_x : 1.1  $\mu\text{m}$   
step\_z : 1.3  $\mu\text{m}$   
reconstructed pixel size: 27 nm

Reconstructed image:



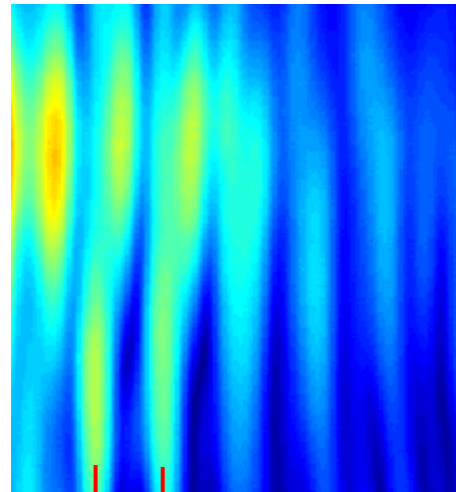
# Ptychography in reflectivity on a real magnetic sample: (MnAs/GaAs, alpha/beta stripes with 900 nm period)

Diffraction diagram  
in reflectivity at  $90^\circ$



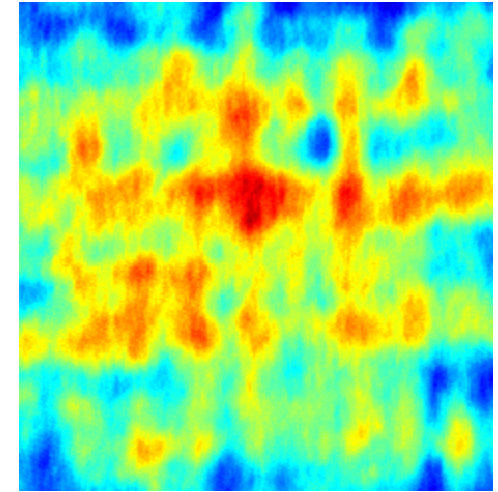
with 22 microns pinhole

Structural (Alpha and Beta stripes)  
(CL + CR)



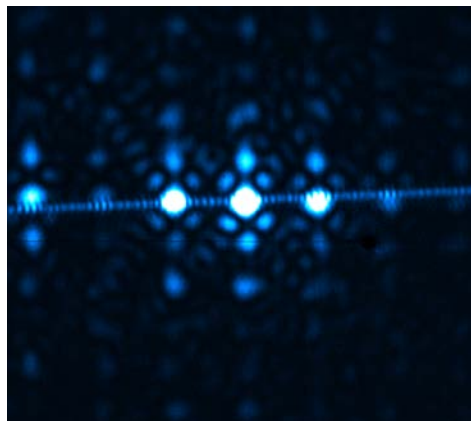
900 nm

Magnetic domains  
(CL - CR)

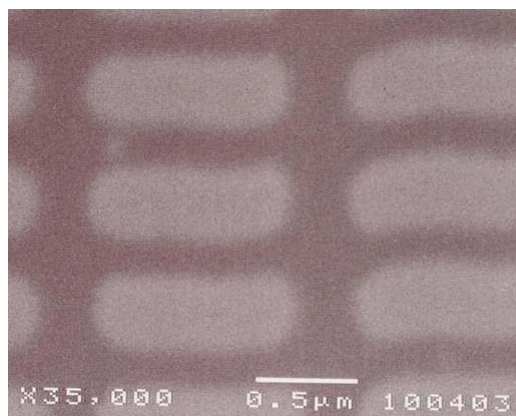


CL : circular left  
CR: circular right

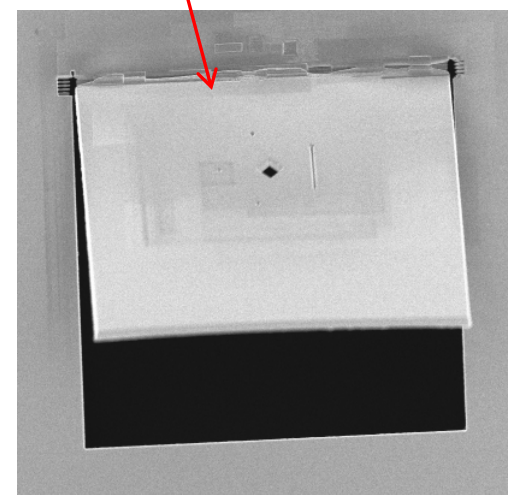
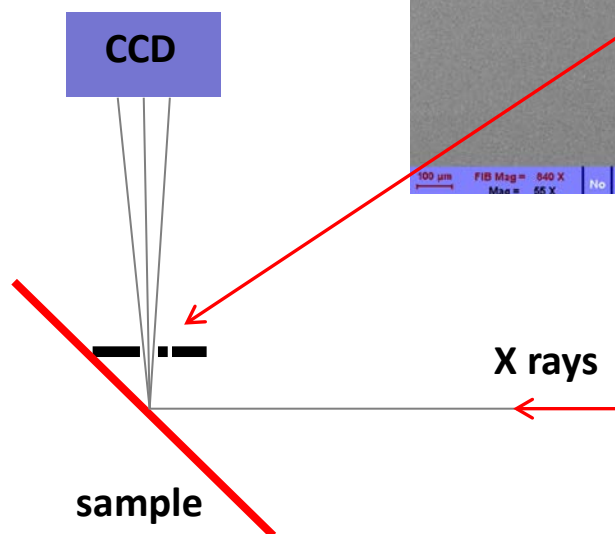
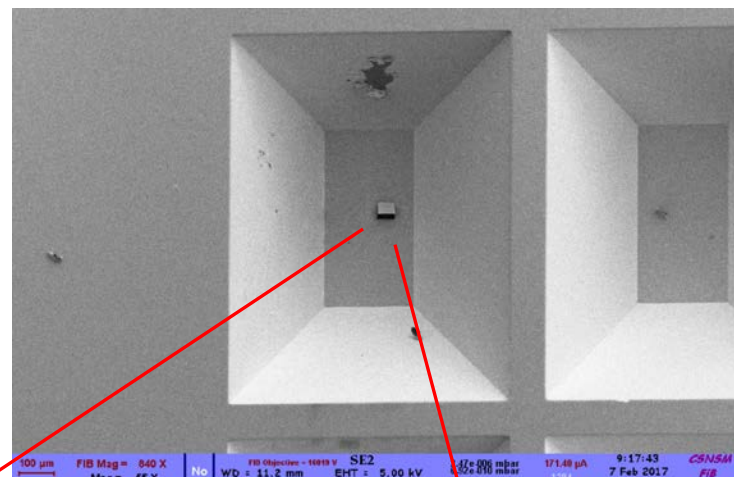
## Diffraction diagram



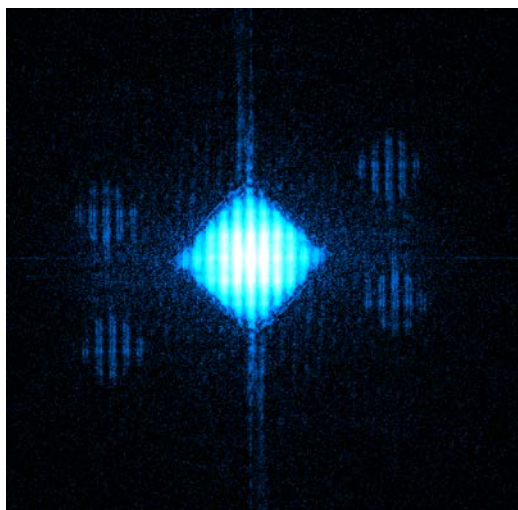
## Patterned sample (CoCu multilayer)



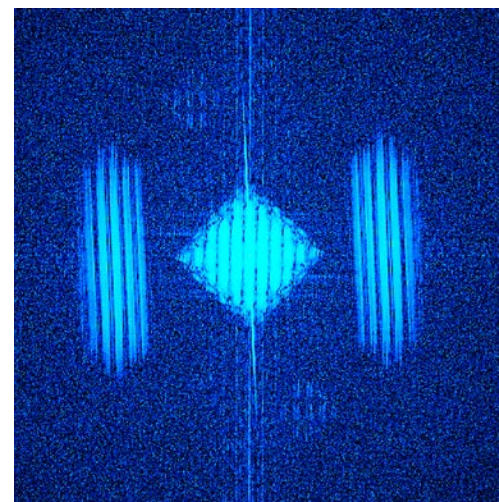
mask



Reconstructed image with slit reference  
(Heraldo linear differential filter)



Reconstructed image with classic reference hole  
(simple Fourier transform)



**Sextants beamline is adapted for coherent diffraction imaging**

**Coherent scattering instruments on Sextants**

- COMET : transmission
- IRMA2 : reflectivity

**Imaging techniques :**

- Holography (state of the art 15 nm resolution)
- Ptychography (under developpement)

**Geometries:**

- In transmission : ok !
- In reflectivity : we really need the round beam !!