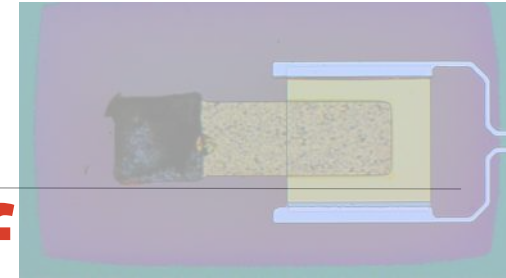


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# Development status of TES micro-calorimeters with $^{57}\text{Fe}$ for solar axion search

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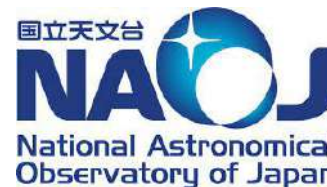
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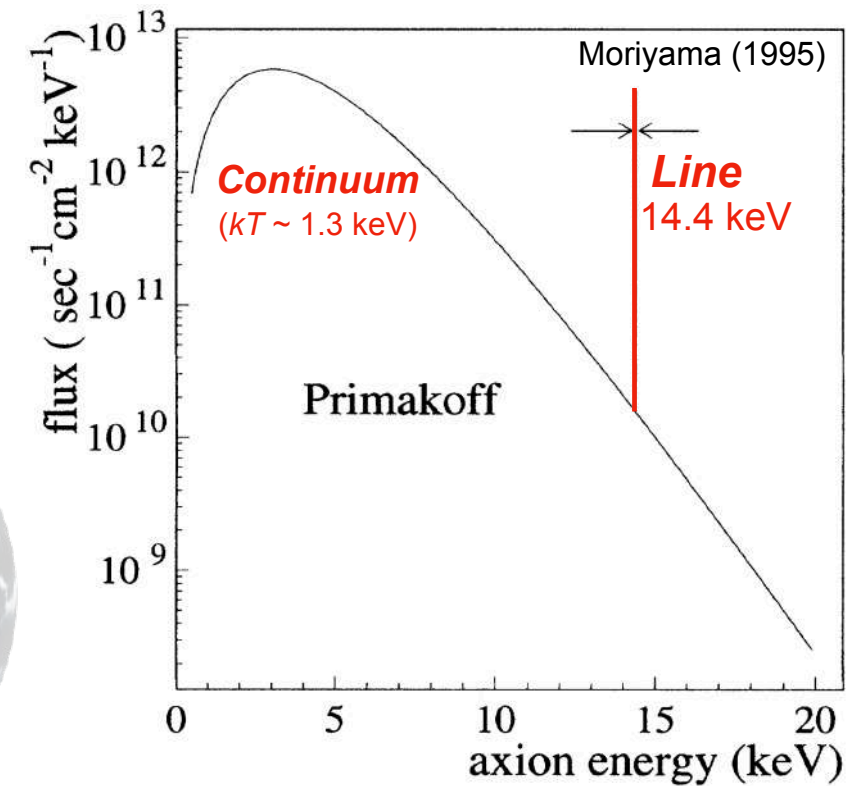
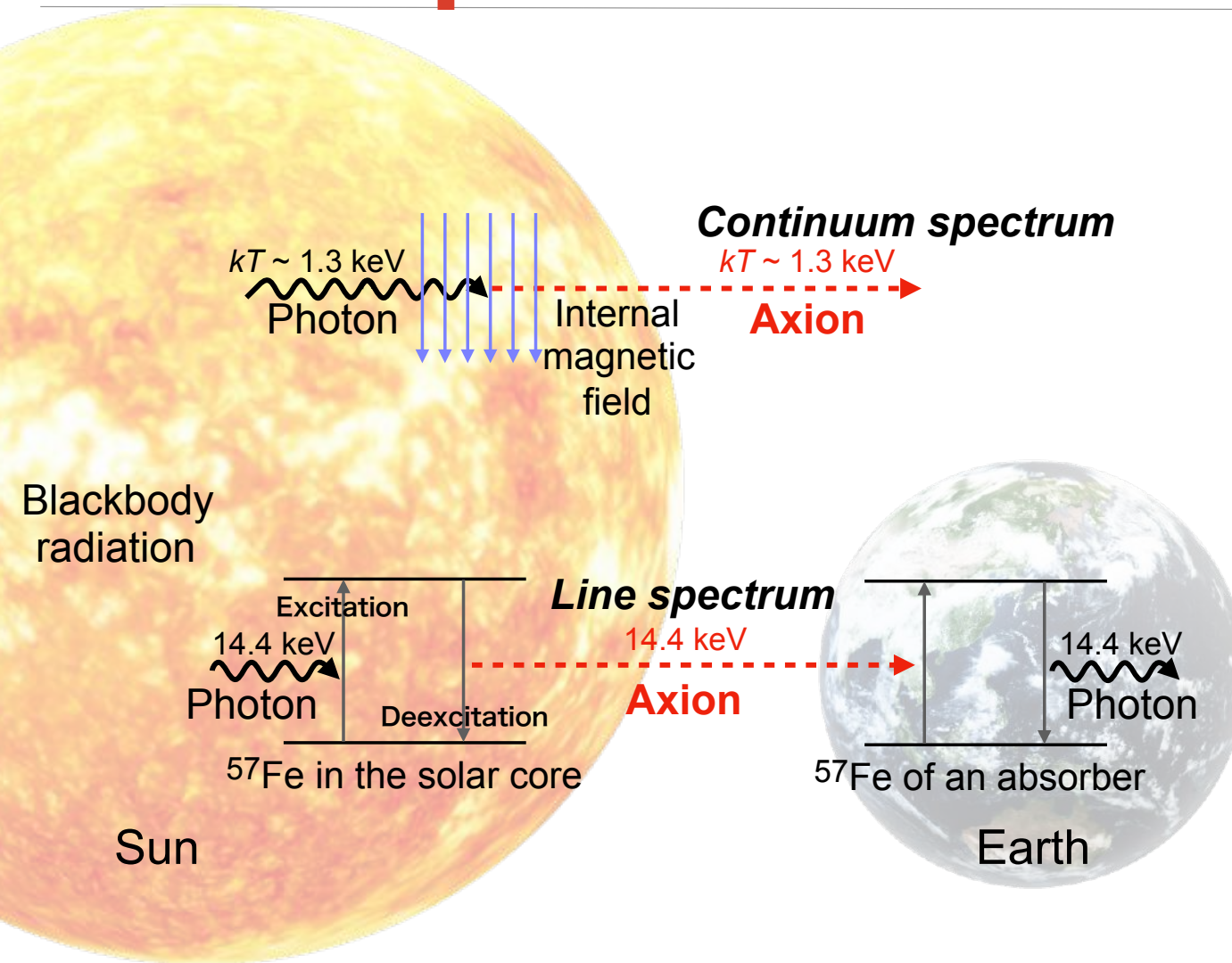


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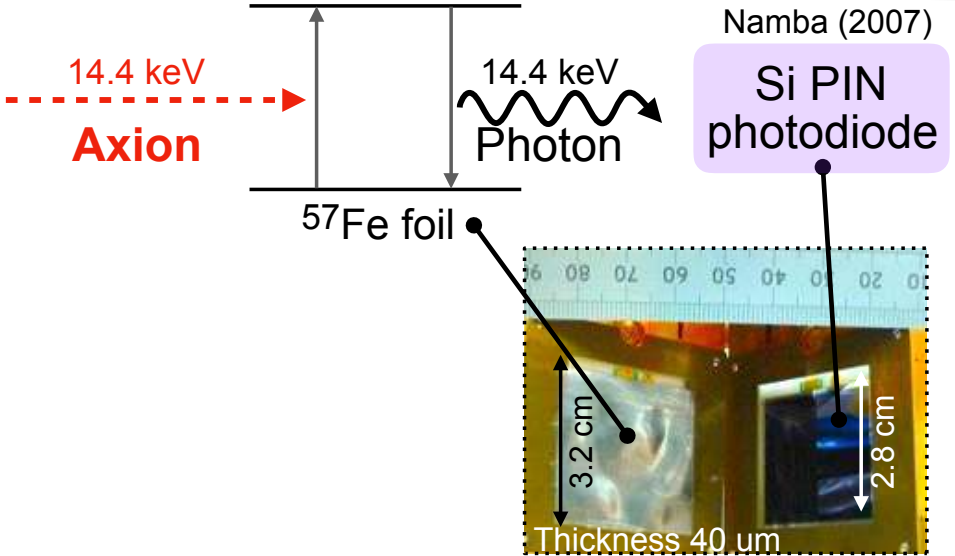


# Expected Solar Axion Spectra

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# Mass Constraints Using Axion-Nucleon Coupling <sup>3</sup>



- ◆ The branching ratio of 14.4-keV  $\gamma$ -rays — 10.5%  
That of conversion electrons and lower energy X-rays — 89.5%
- ◆ Self absorption by 35-um Iron foil — about 80%
- ◆ Solid angle of the detector — 86.6%
- ◆ Overall efficiency  $\sim$  1%

Solar axion mass constraints using axion-nucleon coupling

|   | Nucleon               | Size                                  | Mass   | Time       | Constraint                    |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|------------|-------------------------------|
| Namba 2007<br>Si PIN photodiode             | $^{57}\text{Fe}$ foil | 35 um $\times$ 32 mm $\times$ 32 mm   | 211 mg | 13.92 day  | $m_a \leq 216$ eV (95% C.L.)  |
| Derbin+ 2011<br>Si(Li) detector             | $^{57}\text{Fe}$ foil | 70 mm diameter, 30 mg/cm <sup>2</sup> | 1.26 g | 44.8 day   | $m_a \leq 145$ eV (95% C.L.)  |
| Gavrilyuk+ 2015<br>Proportional gas chamber | $^{83}\text{Kr}$ gas  | 8.77 L                                | 101 g  | 188.3 day  | $m_a \leq 100$ eV (95% C.L.)  |
| Gavrilyuk+ 2018<br>Proportional gas chamber | $^{83}\text{Kr}$ gas  | 8.77 L                                | 58 g   | 613.25 day | $m_a \leq 12.7$ eV (95% C.L.) |

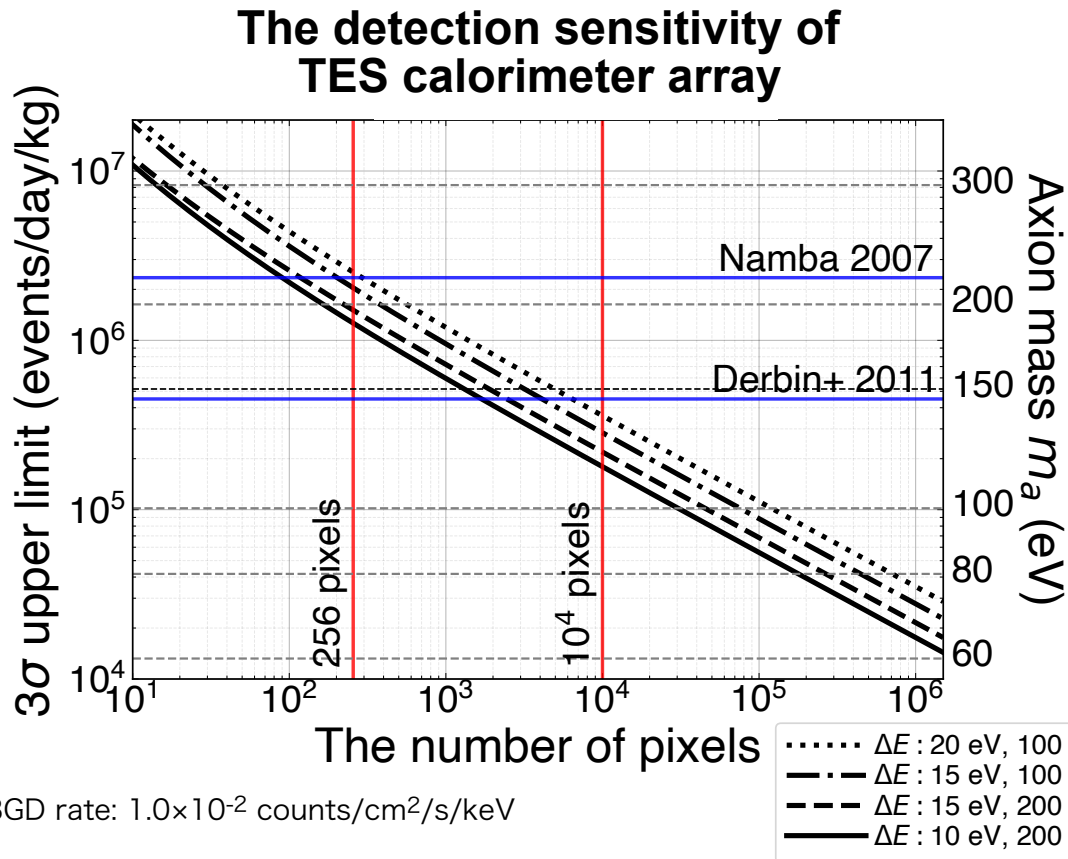
Using  $^{57}\text{Fe}$  as absorbers on transition edge sensor (TES) microcalorimeters  
 Much higher energy resolution dramatically improves the detection sensitivity

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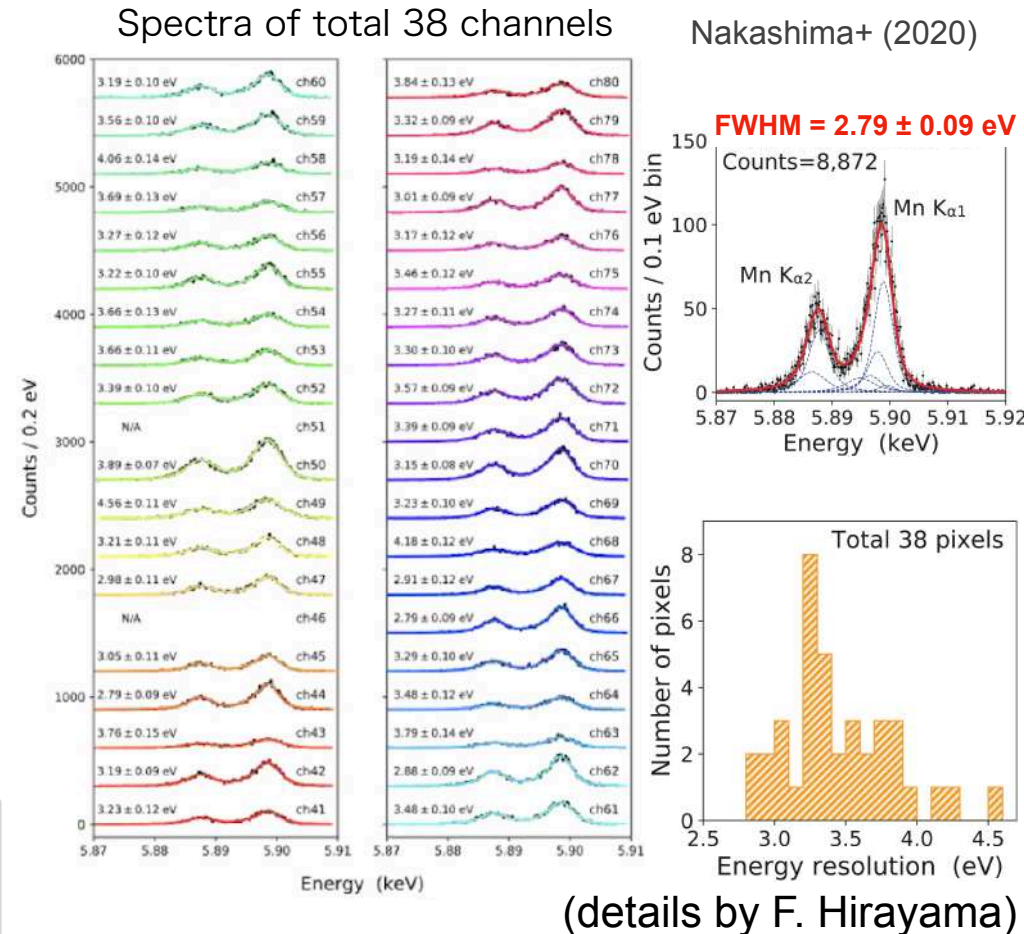
# Detection Sensitivity

- ◆ TES calorimeters can detect self-absorbed thermal energy from axions
- ◆ Therefore, more than 70% of efficiency is expected
- ◆ Increase the converter mass by using an array device

## Low-noise microwave SQUID multiplexed readout

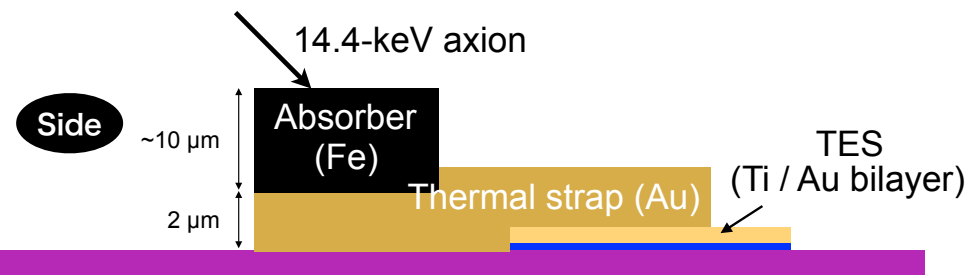


※ BGD rate:  $1.0 \times 10^{-2}$  counts/cm<sup>2</sup>/s/keV



# Requirements for Special Structure of TES Calorimeter 5

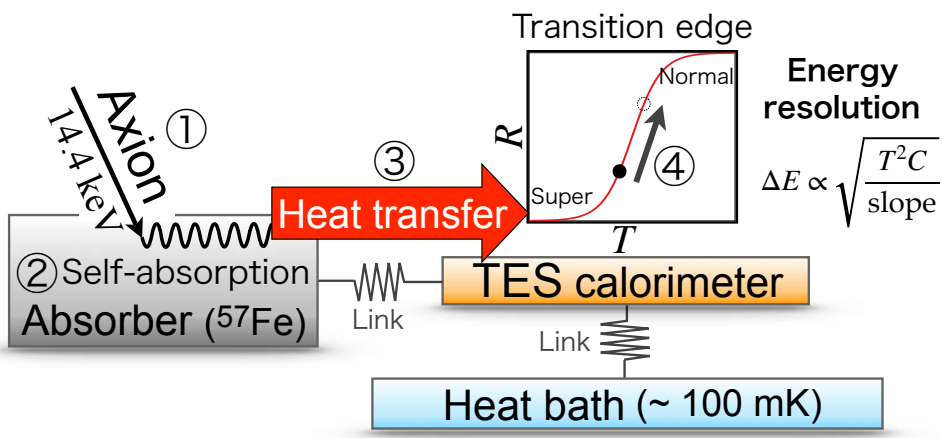
## Special structure of TES microcalorimeter



### Important points

- ◆ Special structure to keep high energy resolution (p.6)
- ◆ Iron absorber (p.7);
  - ~ 10 um thickness
  - good thermal conductivity

## Axion energy transfer in the calorimeter

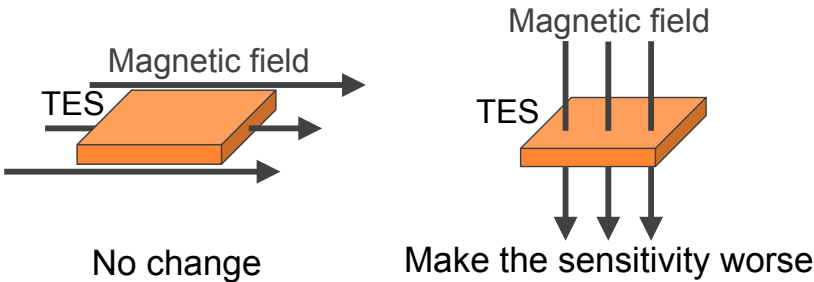
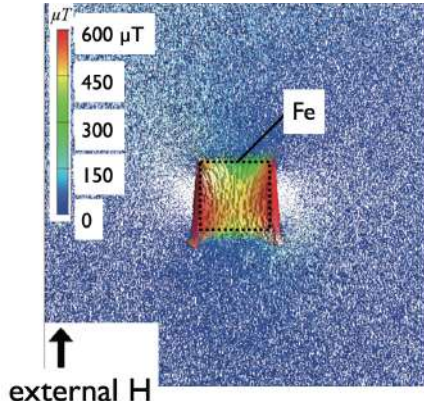


- ◆ Gold thermal strap (p.10);
  - good thermal conductivity
- ◆ Reproducibility of TES (pp.11-13);
  - New evaporative deposition inst. by Henkaku funding

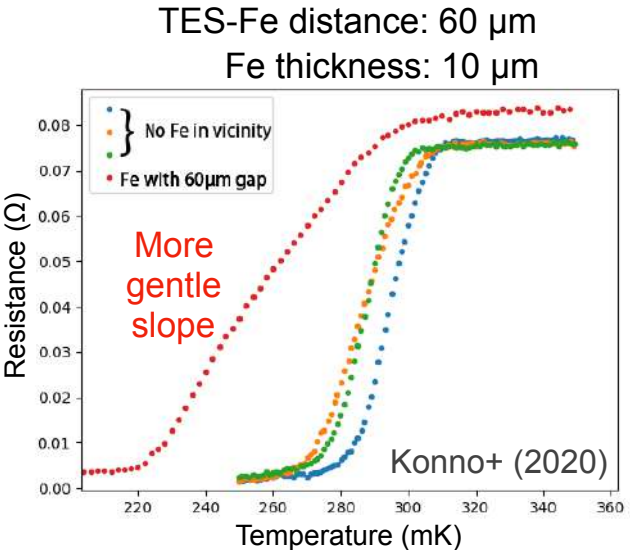
# Optimization of Microcalorimeter's Structure 6

The spectroscopic performance of a TES could degrade under a magnetic field made by ferromagnetic iron absorbers

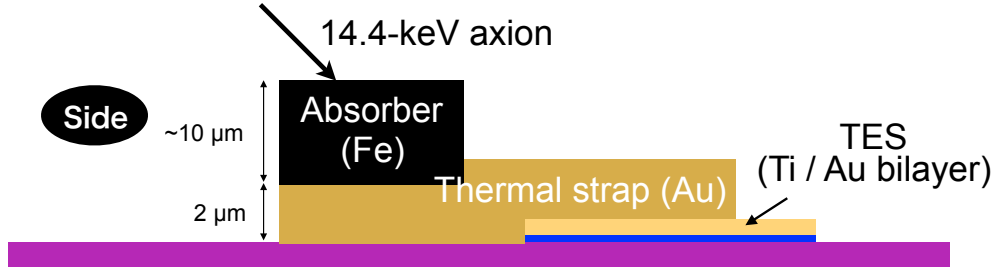
Maehisa+ (LTD17 poster)



Our magnetic simulations  
 Fe - TES minimum distance is 30 μm for an iron of 5 μm thickness



To place the absorber at a certain distance from the TES and to connect them with a thermal strap



Energy resolution

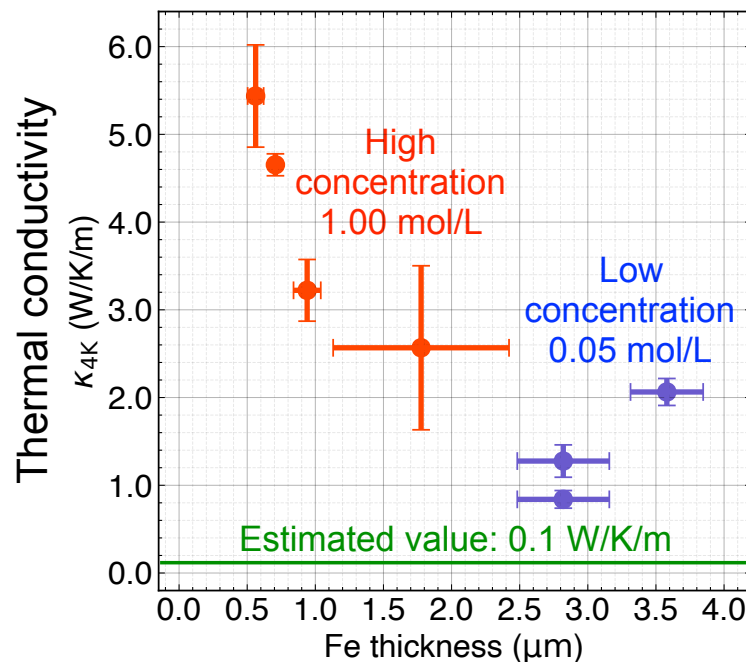
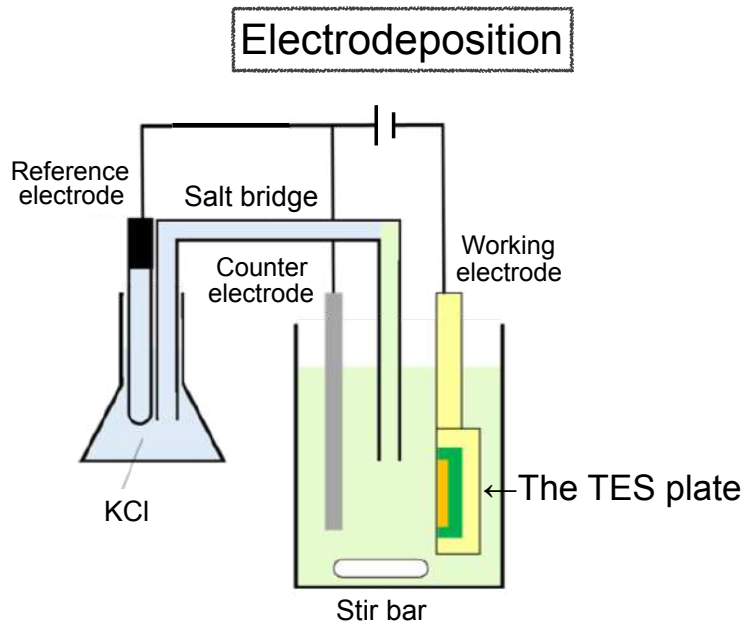
$$\Delta E \propto \sqrt{\frac{1}{\text{Slope}}}$$

Need to fabricate a test device and confirm the performance (p.8)

# Electrodeposition for Iron Absorbers

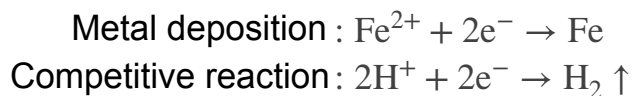
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- ◆ Thick iron absorber with good thermal conductivity is required
- ◆ Electrodeposition is suitable to make thick structure, but electroplating of pure iron is not established
- ◆ Collaboration with experts in Waseda Univ.



Achieved more than ten times higher thermal conductivity than expected value even in low concentration

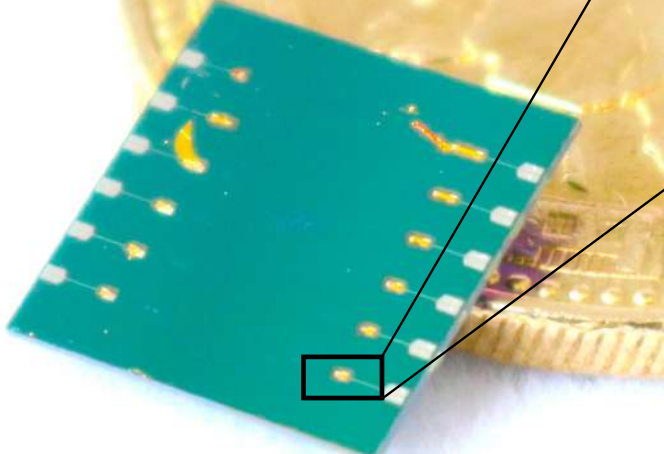
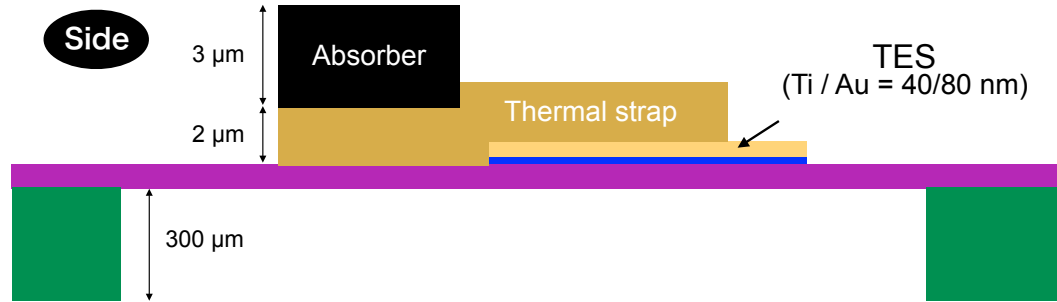
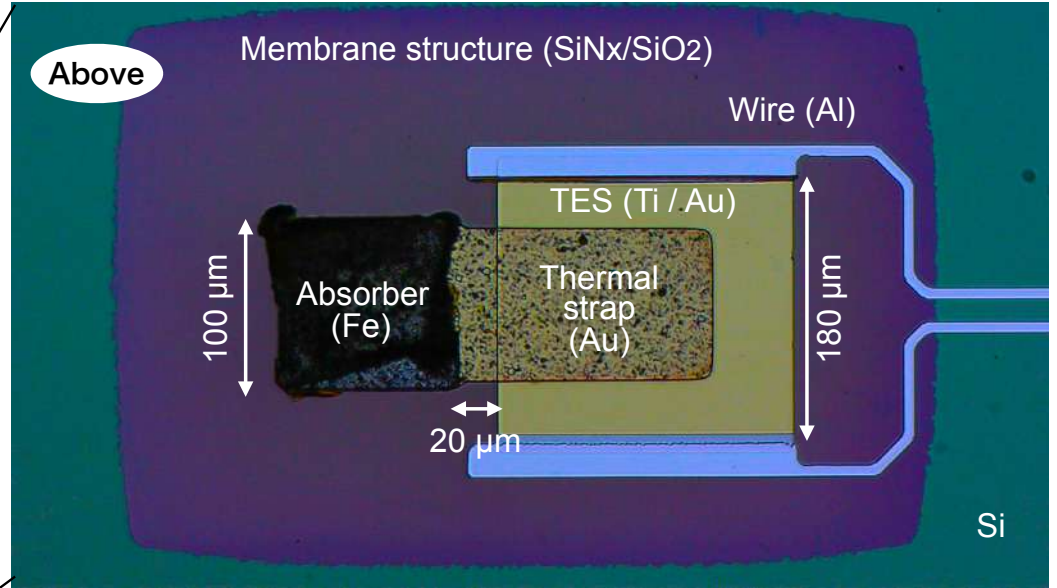
Still on the way



- ◆ Aimed improving yield rate
- ◆ 10 μm of target thickness
- ◆ Still setting conditions close to production environment

# Fabrication of Dedicated TES with Iron Absorber 8

Nanoelectronics clean room at ISAS/JAXA

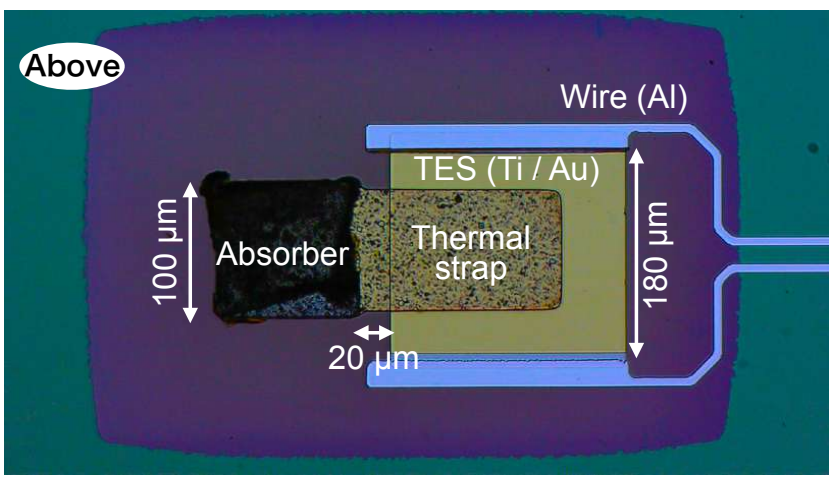


16/24 elements were successfully produced

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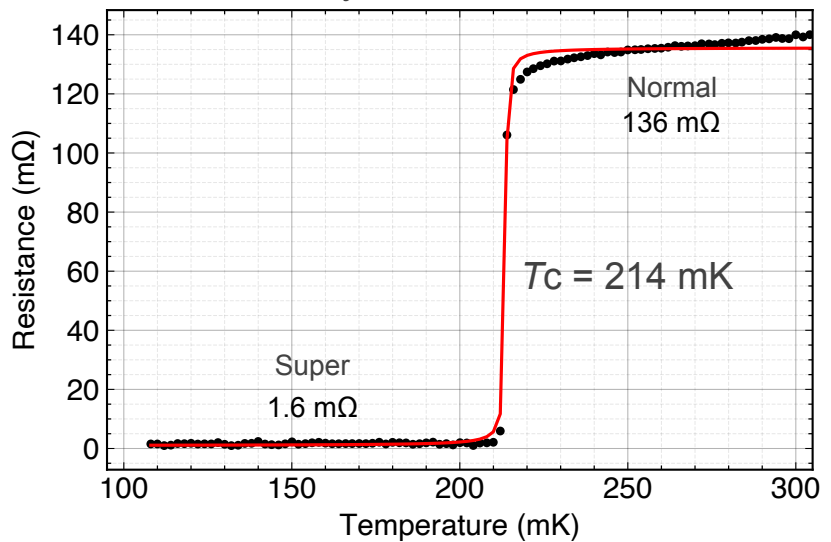
# X-Ray Irradiation Test on Single Pixel TES 9



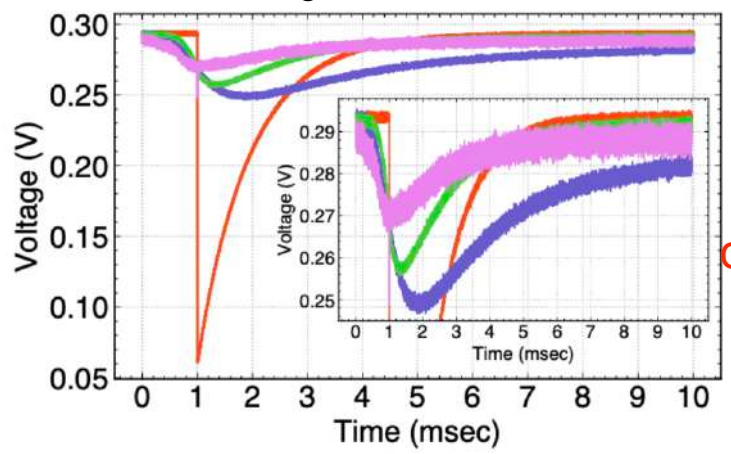
We successfully operated the TES microcalorimeter with a distance between TES and absorber under iron magnetization for the first time

- ◆  $^{55}\text{Fe}$  radiation source; 5.9 keV, 6.4 keV lines
- ◆ Obtained 698 pulses by SQUID readout

R-T curve by the four terminal method



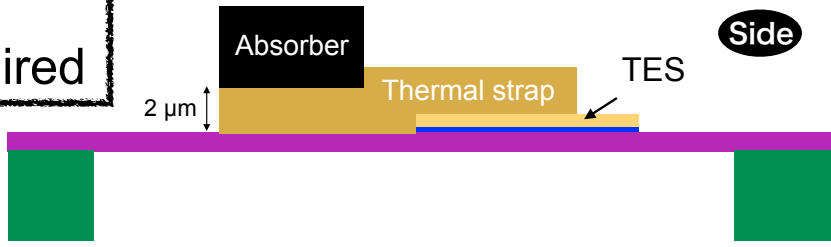
Obtained signals in an irradiation test



To decide each event position, we have worked on more detailed and accurate simulations with Kyushu Univ.

# Improved Thermal Conductivity of Thermal Straps<sup>10</sup>

To achieve high energy resolution in this structure, the high thermal conductivities of thermal gold straps are required



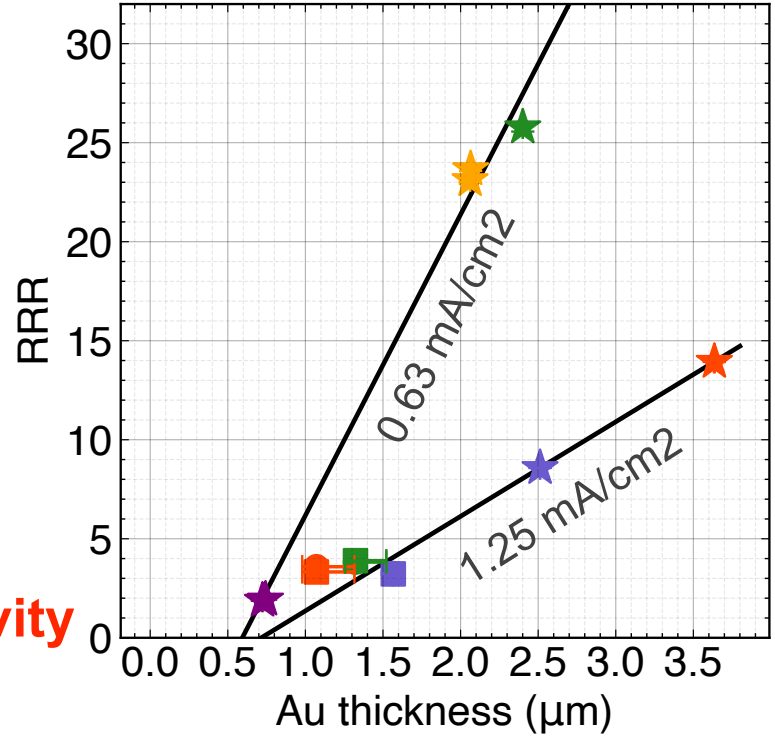
The residual resistivity ratio (RRR): the indicator of the thermal conductivity

$$RRR_{300K/4K} = \frac{\rho_{300K}}{\rho_{4K}}$$

High RRR → High thermal conductivity

|                        |   |                    |
|------------------------|---|--------------------|
| 2020                   | ➔ | 2021               |
| Evaporative deposition |   | Electro-deposition |
| RRR ~ 2.8              |   | RRR > 23           |

**Achieved more than eight times higher thermal conductivity than previous straps deposited evaporative**

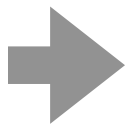


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# Introduced Evaporative Deposition Instrument for TES11

## Sputtering (-2020)

- ◆ Non-reproducibility of  $T_c$
- ◆ Only one substrate of 2 inch in one deposition

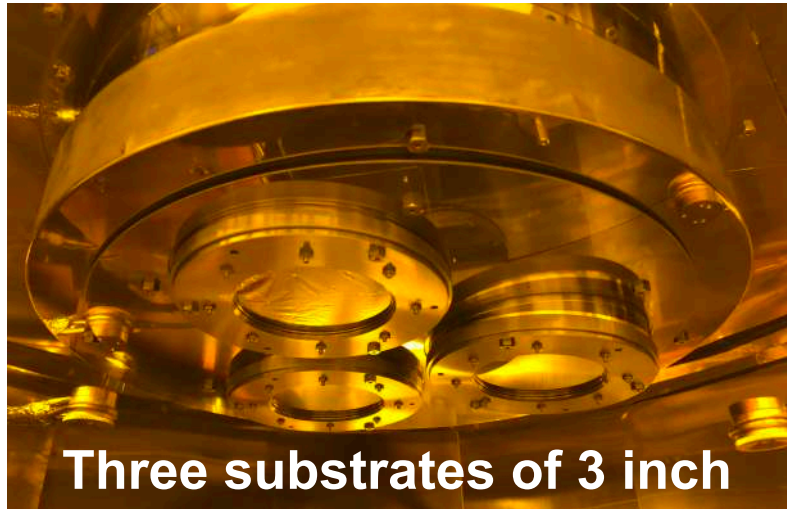


## Evaporative (2021- , by Henkaku funding)

- ◆ Introduced evaporative deposition instrument in 2021 spring
- ◆ Automatic control of thickness and time
- ◆ Three substrates of 3 inch in one deposition



Evaporative deposition inst.



Three substrates of 3 inch

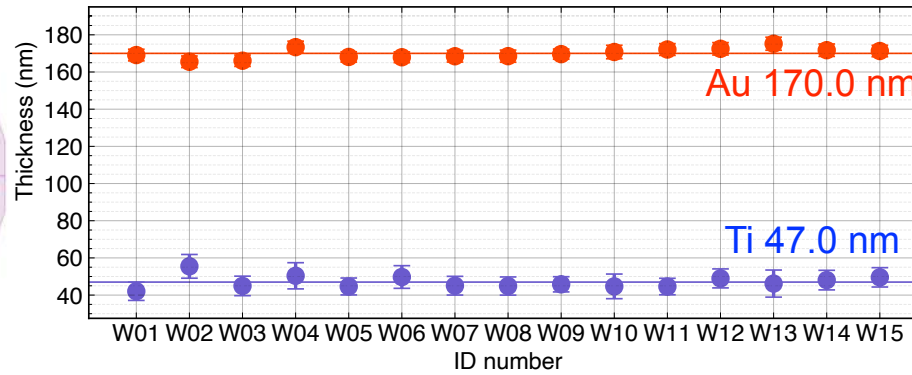
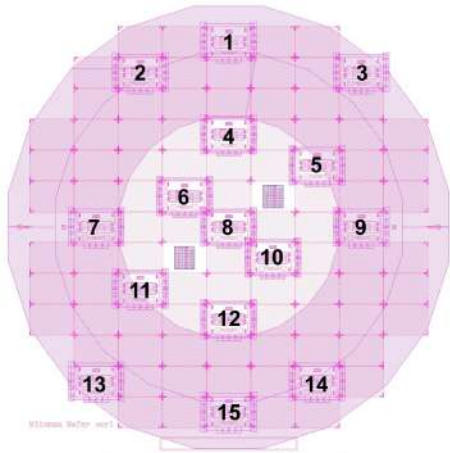


Deposited substrate

# Thickness Distribution and Tc Control

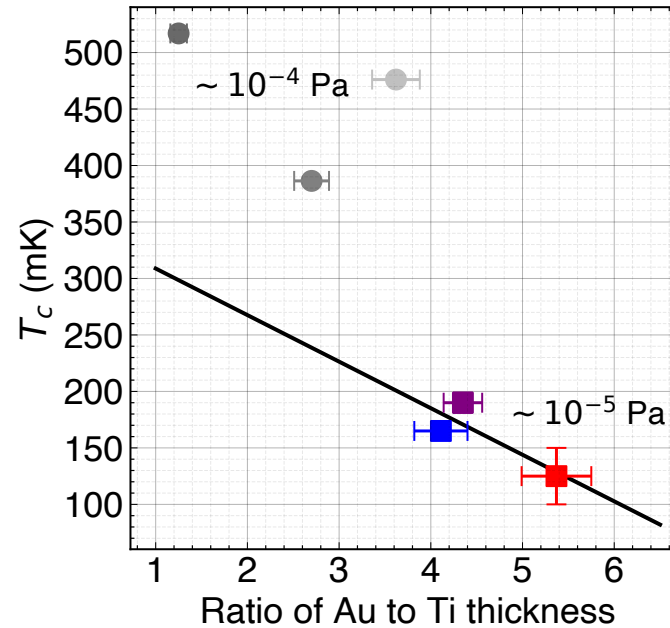
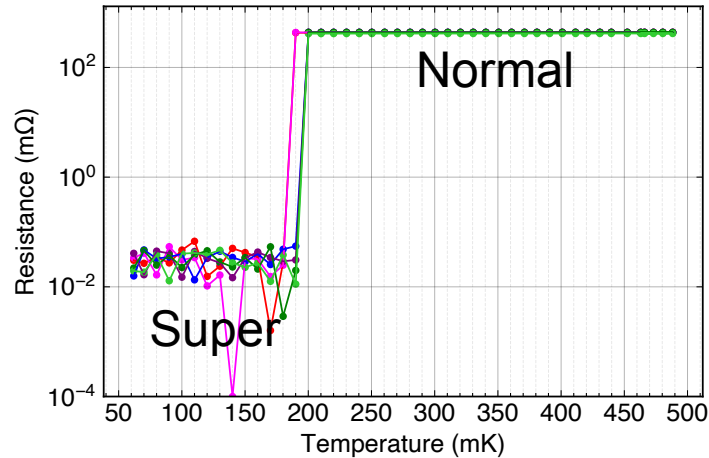
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TES (Ti/Au) thickness distribution



**Confirmed TES-flatness  
in 3-inch substrate**

Transition edge



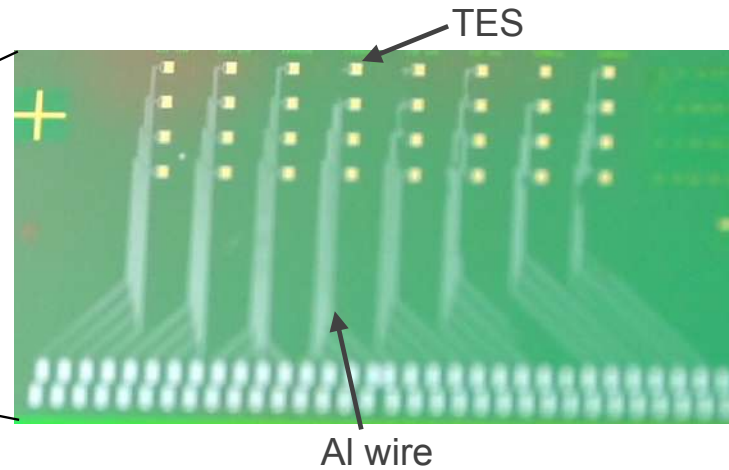
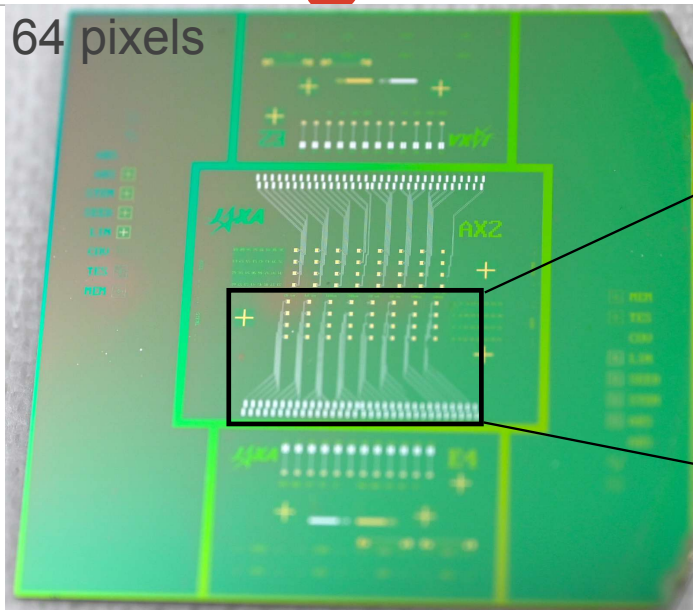
Relation between Ti/Au ratio and transition temp.

- SEED210331 stage0°
- SEED210416 stage0°
- SEED210811b
- SEED211026b
- SEED211109b
- SEED220222a

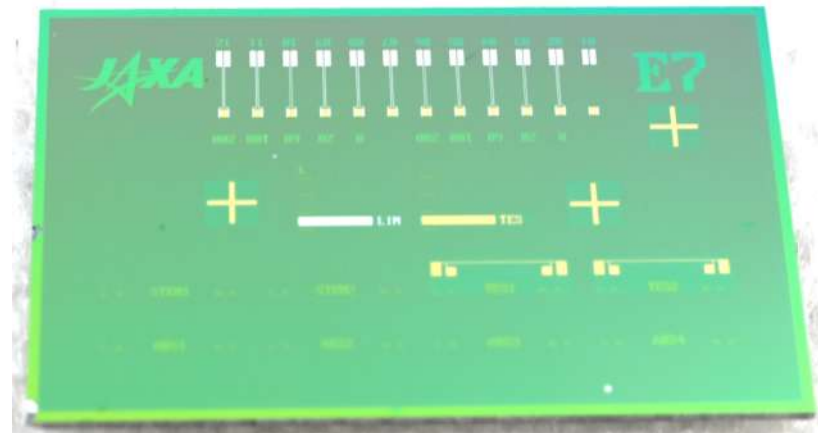
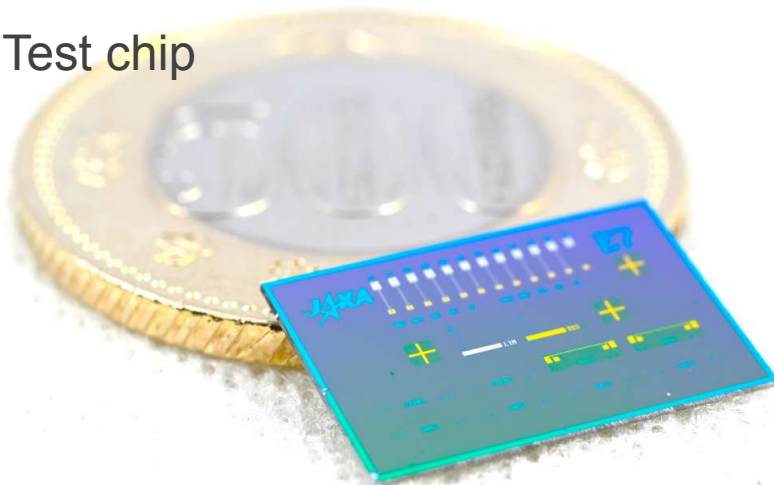
**Controlled Tc with Ti/Au ratio**

# Designed 64-pixel TES array

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Test chip



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# Summary and Next Steps

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## Summary

- ★ Develop high-efficiency TES microcalorimeters for 14.4-keV solar axion search
- ★ Special structure to avoid the degradation of transition sharpness under iron magnetization
- ★ Successfully operated the TES with a distance between TES and absorber for the first time
- ★ Try setting conditions for Iron absorbers
- ★ Achieved electro-deposition of high thermal conductivities for gold thermal straps
- ★ Be possible to fabricate TES efficiently having high reproducibility

## Next steps

- ★ To measure in details the effect of transition sharpness under iron magnetization
- ★ To perform evaluation a few pixels of 64 pixels under 14.4-keV radiation source