

Hitoshi-fest: From Particle Physics, Cosmology to Instrumentation

Responding to Hitoshi's Vision #7

**Toward New Frontiers in Advanced Cancer
Research Employing Cutting-Edge
Astronomical X-ray and Gamma-ray Detectors**

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with

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Hitoshi's vision #7

https://www.ipmu.jp/sites/default/files/webfm/pdfs/mission/mission_ja/3_b_tokyoj.pdf

数物連携宇宙研究機構

9月27日

機構長のビジョン、カリフォルニア大学バークレイ校、村山斉

我々は世界で唯一の、純粋数学から理論物理、実験物理、天文学、そして応用数学までにまたがる数物連携の宇宙研究機構を提案する。この機構は、宇宙の基本的原理、宇宙の始まりと終わり、そして宇宙に存在する未知の暗黒物質と暗黒エネルギーに迫る。そのためには、宇宙の統一理論を作り上げる必要がある。これには今までにない新しい数学が必要になり、その新しい数学に基づく物理学の理論が構築される。この理論は、実験で検証される現象の予言を導く。さらに、技術的な進歩が新しい実験を可能にし、そこで必要となる新しい理論の進歩を促す。こうして螺旋状に進歩していく。興味を引き、学生が数学・科学・工学へと進む動機を創っていく。

7. Contribution to Society

7. 社会還元

宇宙を最も基本的なレベルで理解しようとする。このように直接応用がうまれるものではない。学生は最先端の基本法則の探求に心を引かれ、特に過去の例を見ると最優秀な若者たちもそのグループに含まれていることが多い。機構の研究者による、宇宙の深い謎を明かす発見は、日本の高校生・大学生の興味を引き、数学や科学を勉強し、次の世代の人材を育成していくことに大きな役割を果たすだろう。この機構に独特なこととしては、数学と物理の間を専門的な職業として行き来し、統計と実験物理の間にも同じことがあると予想される。言うまでもなく、機構で研究する問題は一般の人にも理解し易い問題である。この基礎研究と教育の関係は最近では例えば“Rising Above the Gathering Storm”という米 National Research Council からの報告書でも強調されている。

**Director's vision
(in the IPMU proposal)**

2007/Sep/27

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Technologies

Human resource development.

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<Translation>

Furthermore, the methods and technologies developed through the institute's research will undoubtedly contribute to society indirectly. Techniques for analyzing large-scale data from astronomical observations and accelerator experiments can also be applied to financial markets and biological data analysis. Technologies developed to create next-generation experimental equipment often cannot be targeted by companies for profit-driven research alone because they require a long-term perspective.

For example, a 20-inch diameter photomultiplier tube was developed for fundamental physics experiments, and a company that applied this technology, particularly in medical applications, has risen to a near-monopoly position in the global market. The development of future neutrino detectors could also contribute to nuclear reactor monitoring. Additionally, multi-fiber technology required for future large-scale astronomical observations has the potential to be useful in medical diagnostics and laser treatments.

Some good examples...



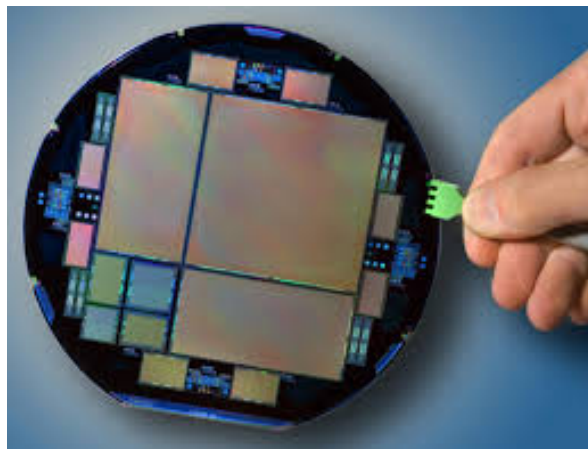
PET (Positron Emission Tomography)
CT (Compute Tomography)

<https://www.siemens-healthineers.com/jp/molecular-imaging/pet-ct>



Accelerators for
Producing
Radioisotopes Used
in PET and Other
Applications

<https://www.shi.co.jp/industrial/jp/product/medical/pet-radiopharmacy/cyclotron-hm12.html>



CCD chips
and
CCD Camera

LBL



Research aimed at addressing profound scientific questions about the universe has driven the development of cutting-edge detectors with exceptional performance, achieved through an unwavering pursuit of sensitivity and resolution.

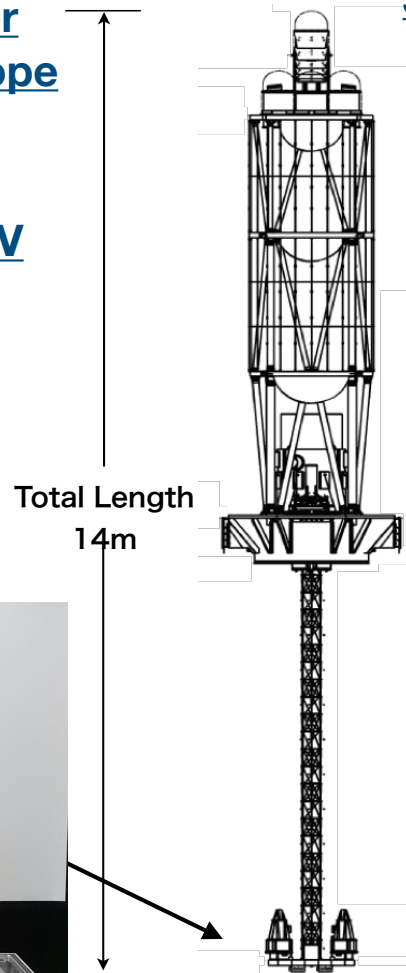
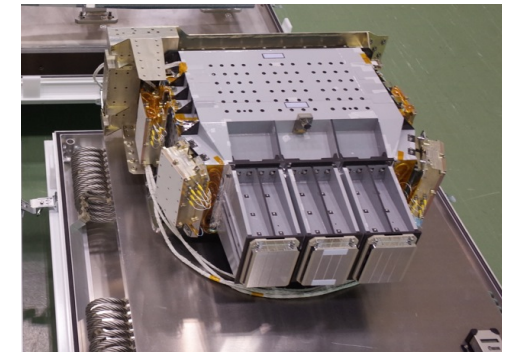


**Focal Plane Detector
for Hard X-ray Telescope
CdTe + Si DSD**

**(Double Strip Detector)
~5-80 keV**

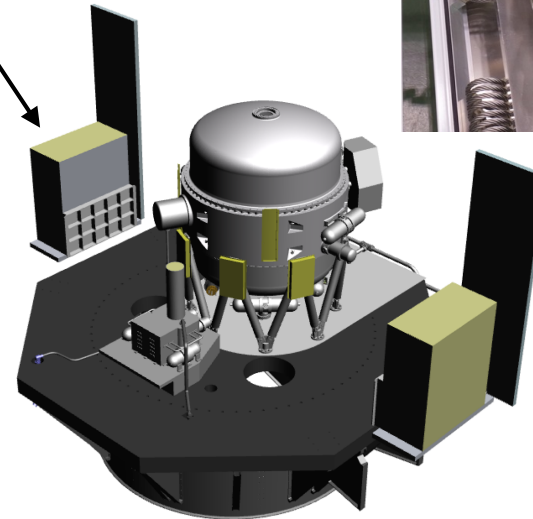
**Si/CdTe Semiconductor
Compton Camera
(gamma-ray)**

~60-600 keV



Total Length
14m

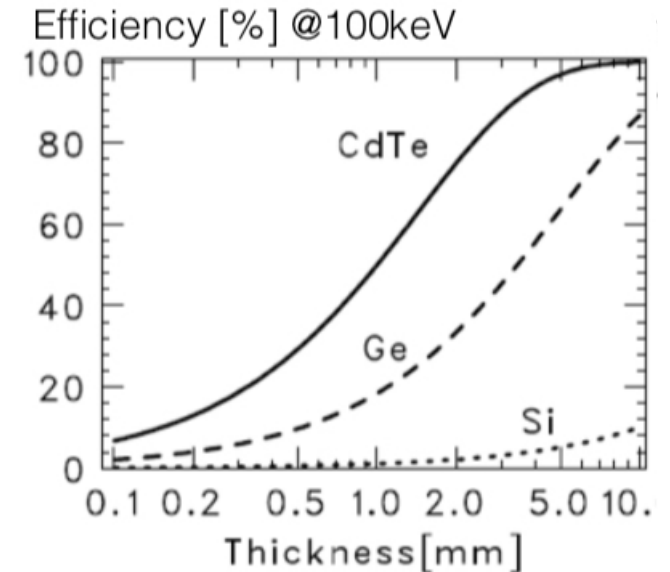
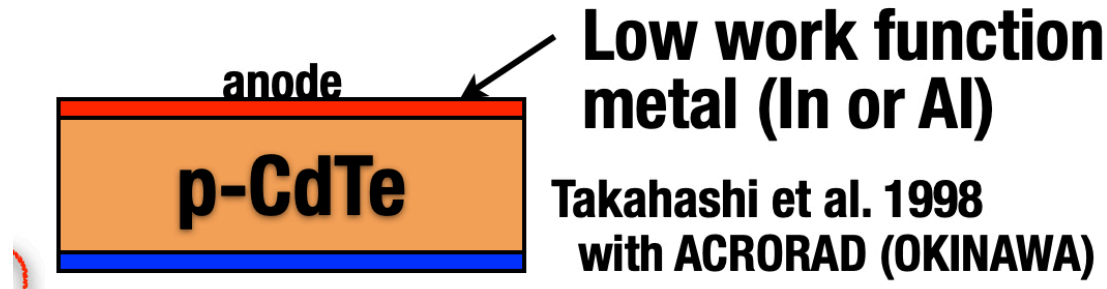
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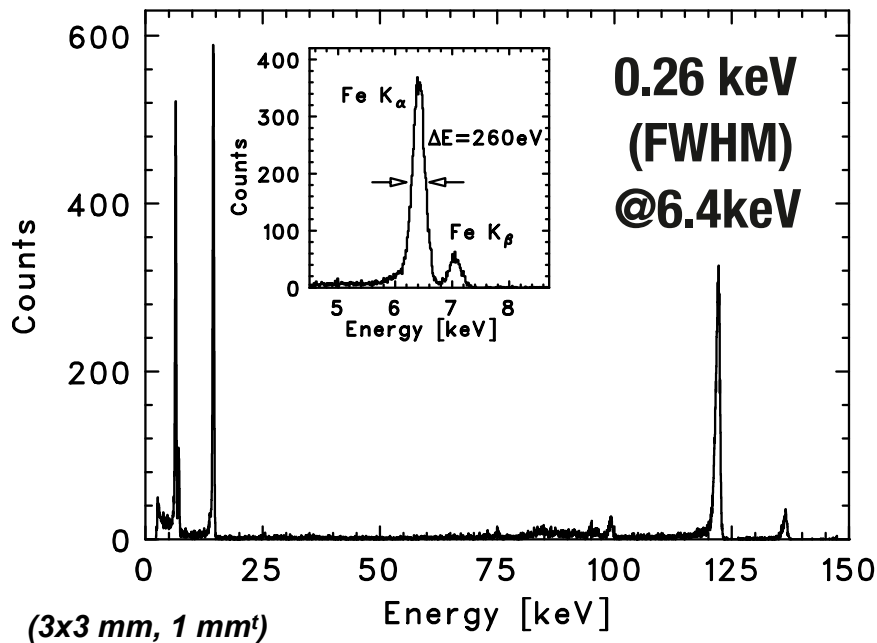
**Hitomi (ASTRO-H)
(2016)**

Key technology : Gamma-ray semiconductor for imaging

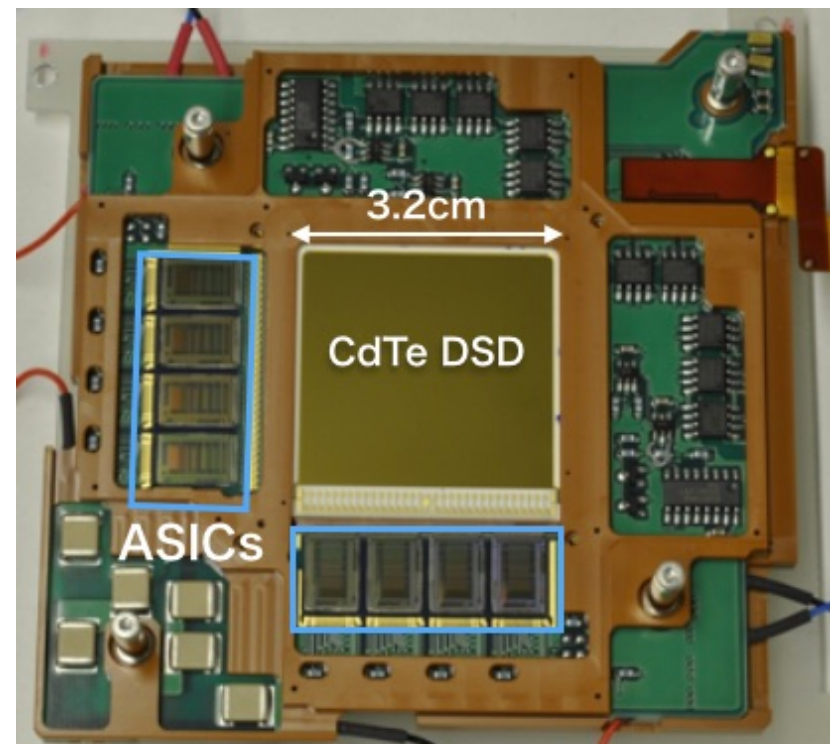
The CdTe diode devices developed by us in the 1990s



- **Extremely low leakage current**
- **High Energy resolution**
- **Technology for strip and pixel electrode fabrication**



Takahashi et al. 2005



Toward Hitoshi's vision #7 Hard X-ray and Gamma-ray Imaging Center at Kavli IPMU

Agreement between Kavli IPMU and ISAS/JAXA (2017-2022)



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I've been arguing that the truly destructive innovation happens through basic research that pushes the frontier of knowledge.

Now we have an opportunity to demonstrate this point through the application of gamma-ray astronomy to cancer research.

I'm super excited about this wonderful opportunity for Kavli IPMU to work closely with JAXA and medical researchers,



Overcoming cancer is an urgent issue that humanity must address.

Through our research at IPMU, we have come to realize that the questions we hold are also regarded as frontline challenges by experts in medical research.

- 1) Is there any way to manage to treat intractable cancer.
- 2) Why does cancer metastasize, and how does it spread?
Why does it recur even after being surgically removed?
Can't we detect it earlier?

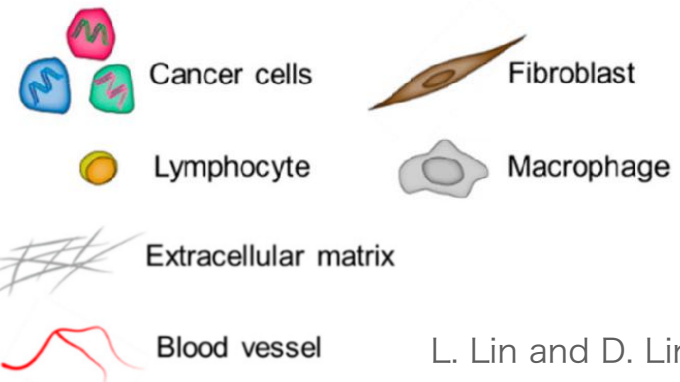
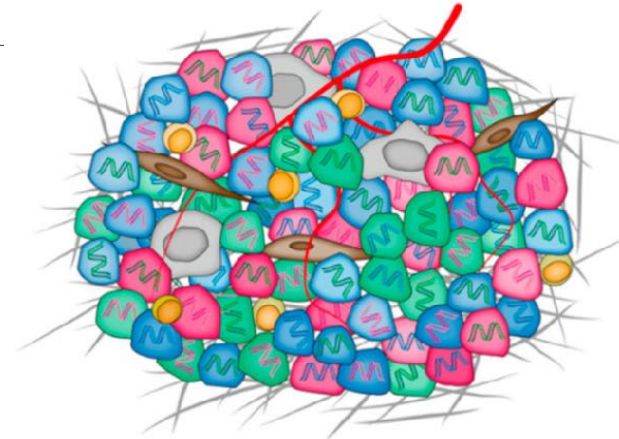
nature

The 'war on cancer' isn't yet won

The US National Cancer Act has fostered great advances in our understanding of the biology that underlies cancer, but challenges remain.

Today, we know that cancer is not one, but many different diseases."

Intratumor heterogeneity

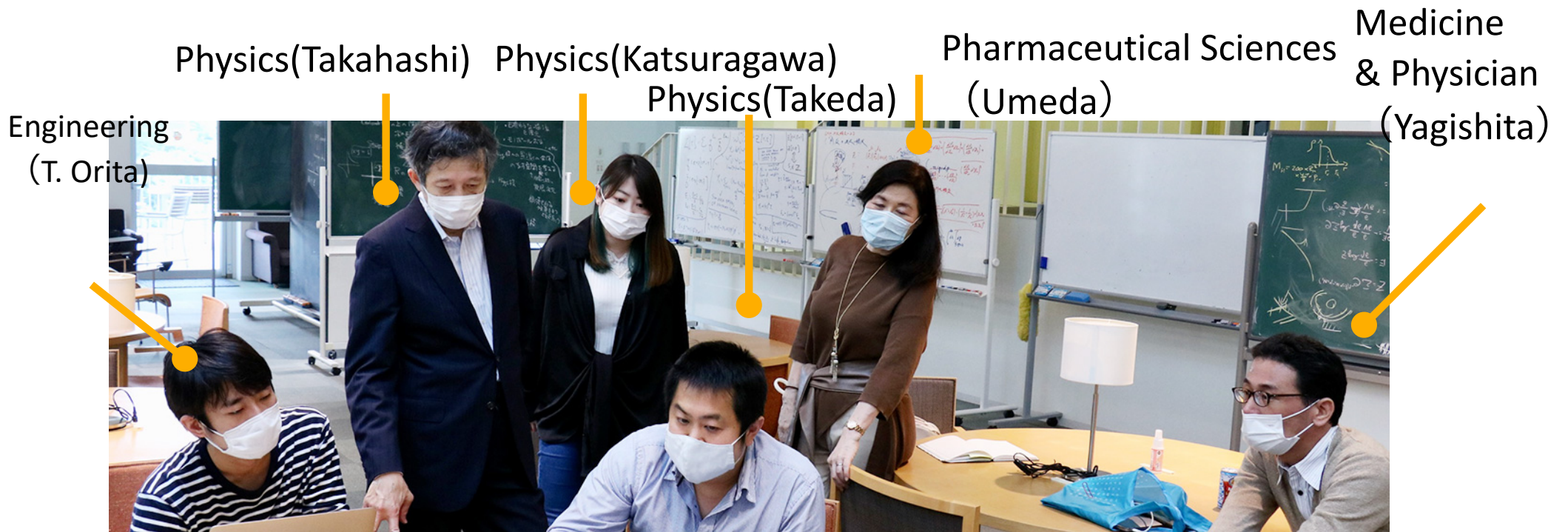


L. Lin and D. Lin (2019)

“Cancer” is composed of various elements such as **cancer cells**, fibroblast, **lymphocyte** and the special **microenvironment** surrounding the cancer.
→ It is becoming clear that these heterogeneities are deeply related to the malignancy, recurrence, and response to cancer treatment.

Key: simultaneous visualization of multiple radionuclides in vivo with high spacial resolution

Expanding Our Technology into Cancer Research



with
S. Watanabe (JAXA/ISAS)



H. Saya & O. Sampetean
Keio University,
Department of Medicine



Osaka University
Nuclear Medicine
T. Watabe



National Cancer
Center, H. Fujii



National Cancer
Center, A. Ochiai

with
H. Mizuma (QST)
Y. Kanayama (RIKEN)

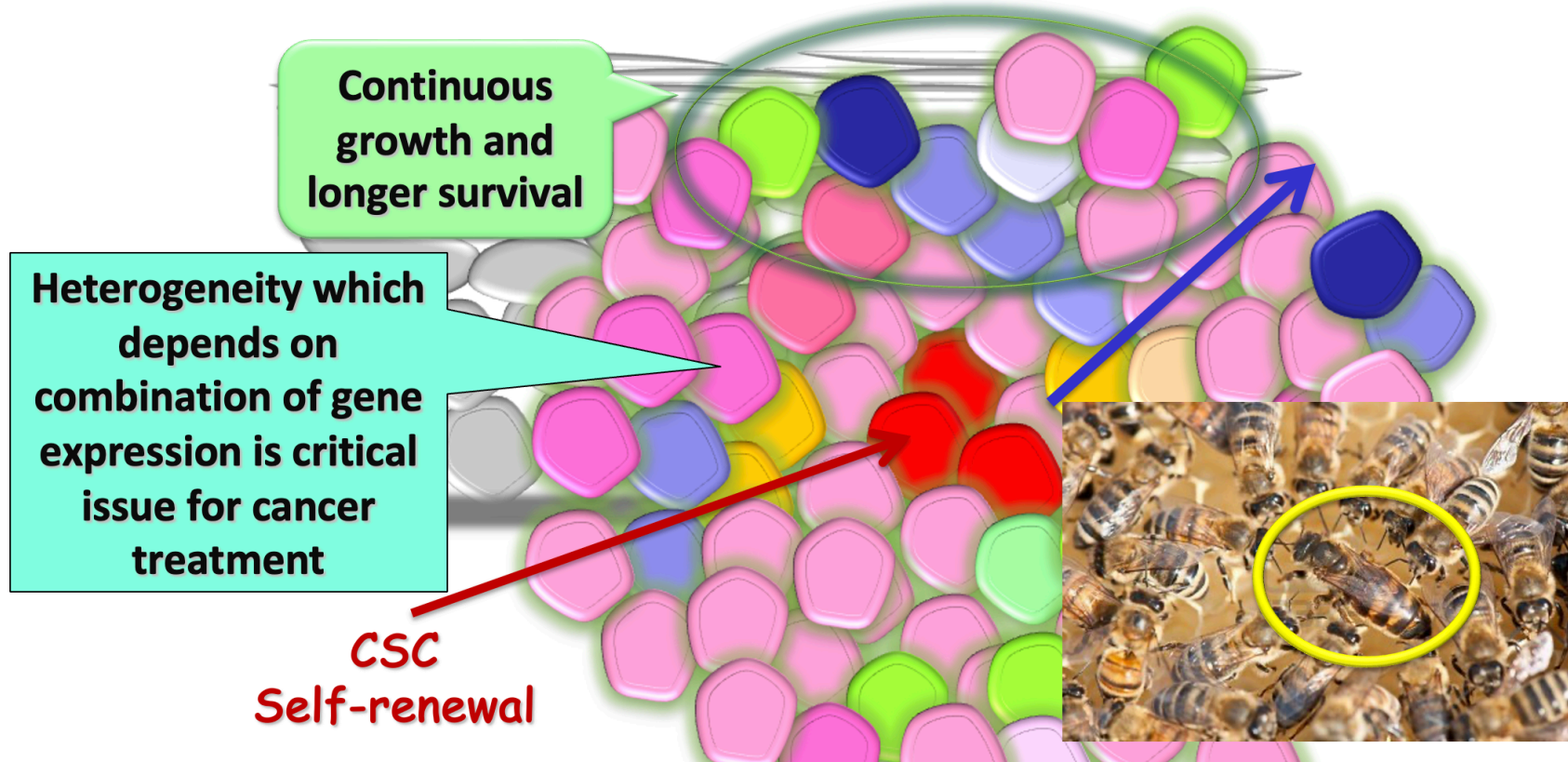


Hideyuki Saya

IPMU Colloquium (2022)

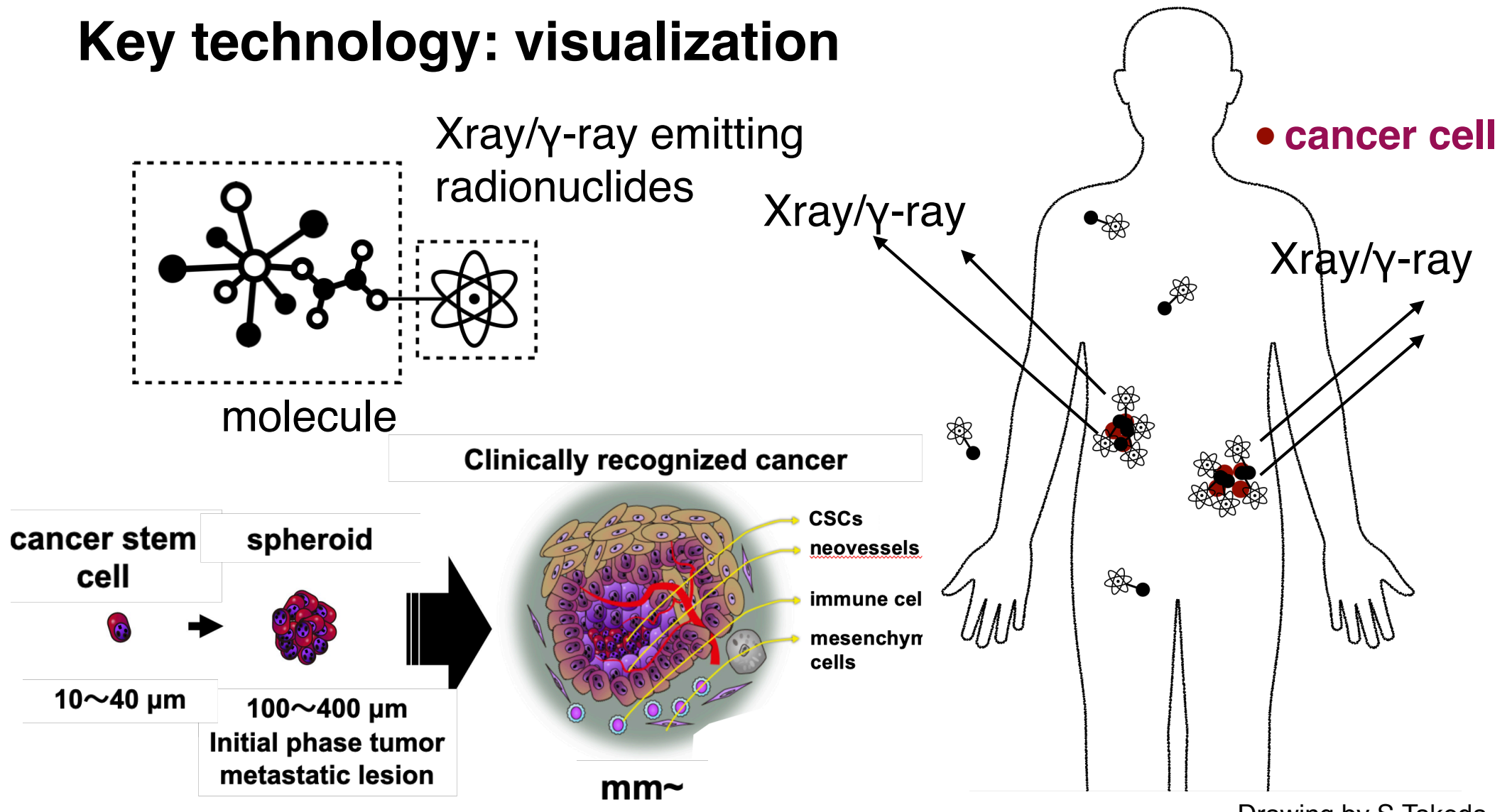
Division of Gene Regulation, Institute for Advanced Medical Research, Keio University School of Medicine

Cancer cells are derived from stem-like cancer cells (cancer stem cells)



Targeting Cancer with Precision

Key technology: visualization



Drawing by S.Takeda

Ultrahigh-Resolution Multi-isotope Tomographic Imager

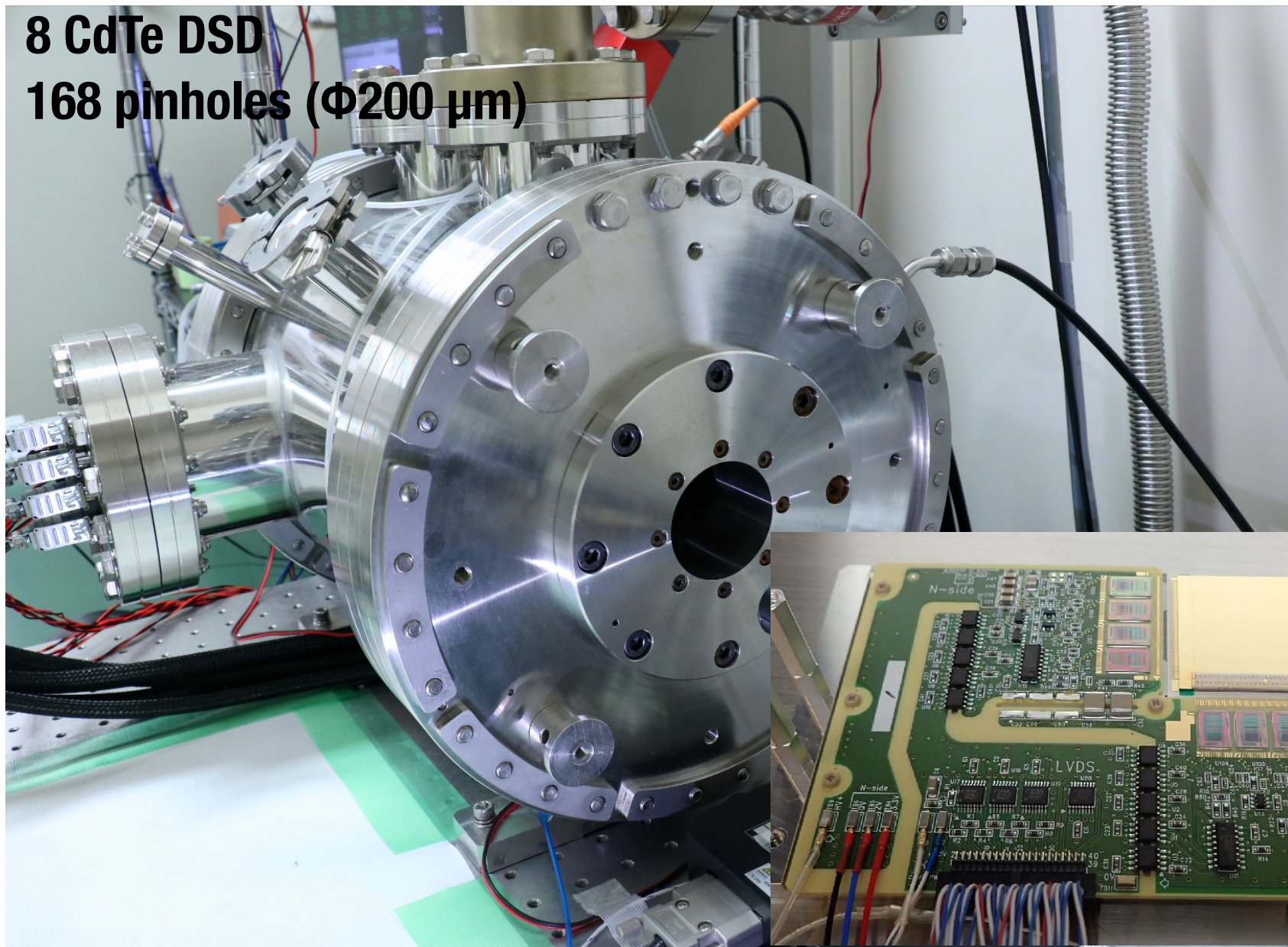


CdTe-DSD SPECT-I:



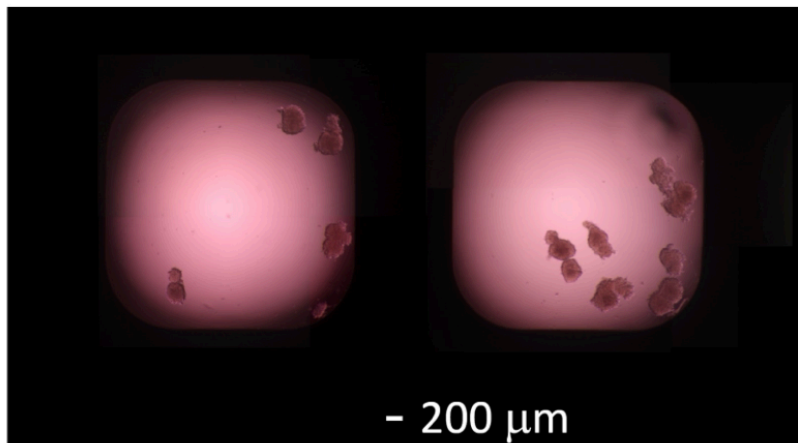
S. Takeda

8 CdTe DSD
168 pinholes ($\Phi 200 \mu\text{m}$)



Oragonids of NIS (Natrium Iodide Symporter)
expressing CSCs which can incorporate ^{125}I

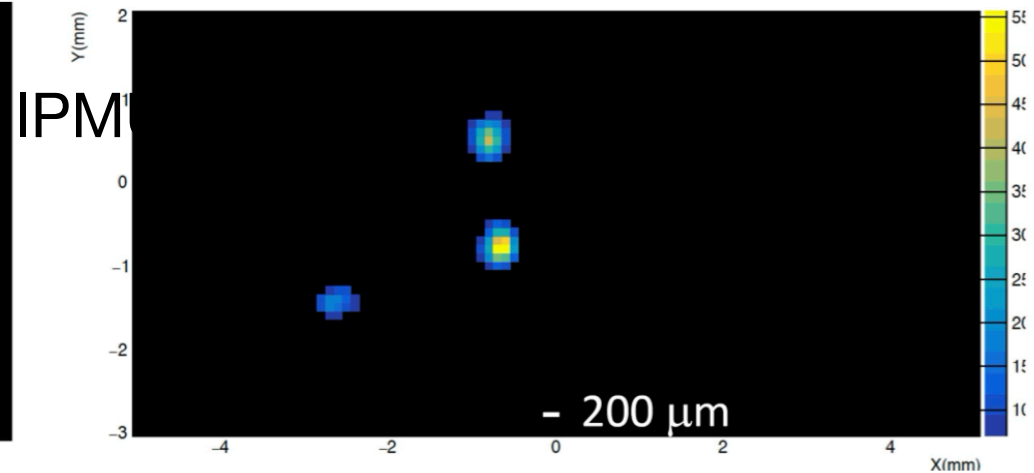
Bright field.



control

NIS
inhibitor

CdTe-DSD SPECT-I



control

NIS
inhibitor

Toward Detailed Visualization of Metastasis



Development of Tissue Molecular Imaging Technique Using Multiple Probes at Hundreds of Microns



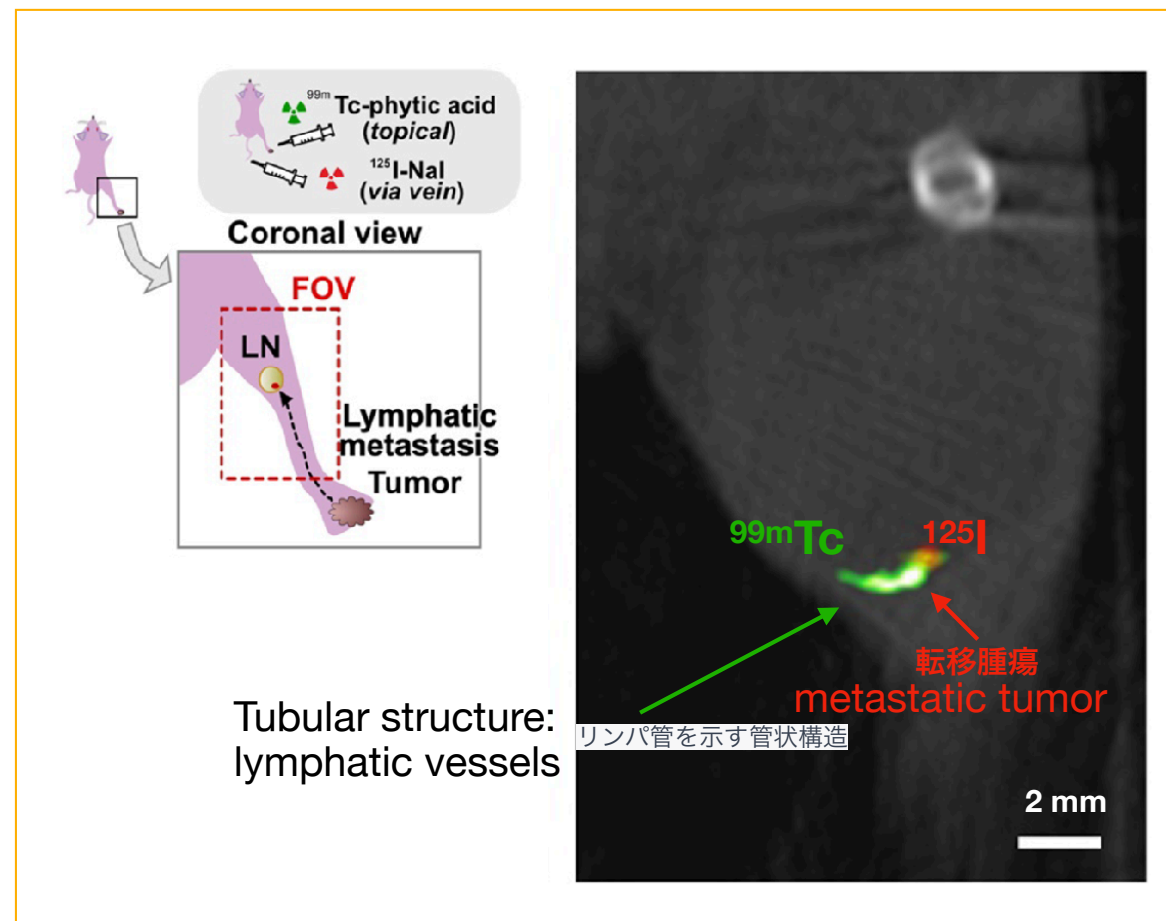
A. Yagishita

We were able to reveal that cancer in mice, where 4T1-mNIS cancer was implanted in the tip of the foot, has metastasized through the lymphatic vessels to micro-lymph nodes hundreds of micrometers in size. Such precision in imaging is unprecedented

4T1 is a widely used mouse cancer cell line in studies related to breast cancer and metastasis

IPMU Press release

A. Yagishita, S. Takeda, MK, TT et al. Scientific Reports (2023)



Toward the Treatment of Hard-to-Treat Cancers

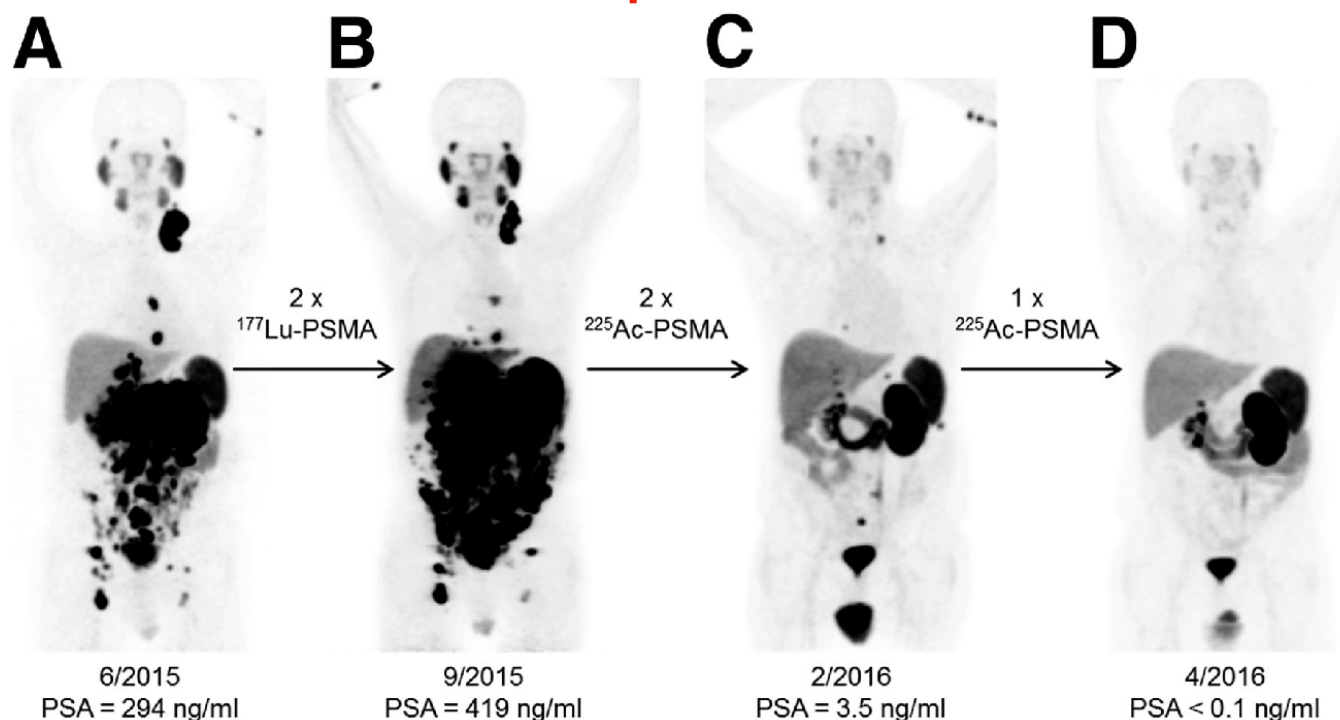
A Glimmer of Hope: Complete cures of advanced-stage cancer with the administration of ^{225}Ac -PSMA617 was reported, recently.

One of the hottest topics in Cancer Research

PET Image
with ^{68}Ga

a patient, who
had peritoneal
carcinomatosis
and liver
infiltration

腹膜に癌が播種し、肝臓にも浸潤が認められる患者

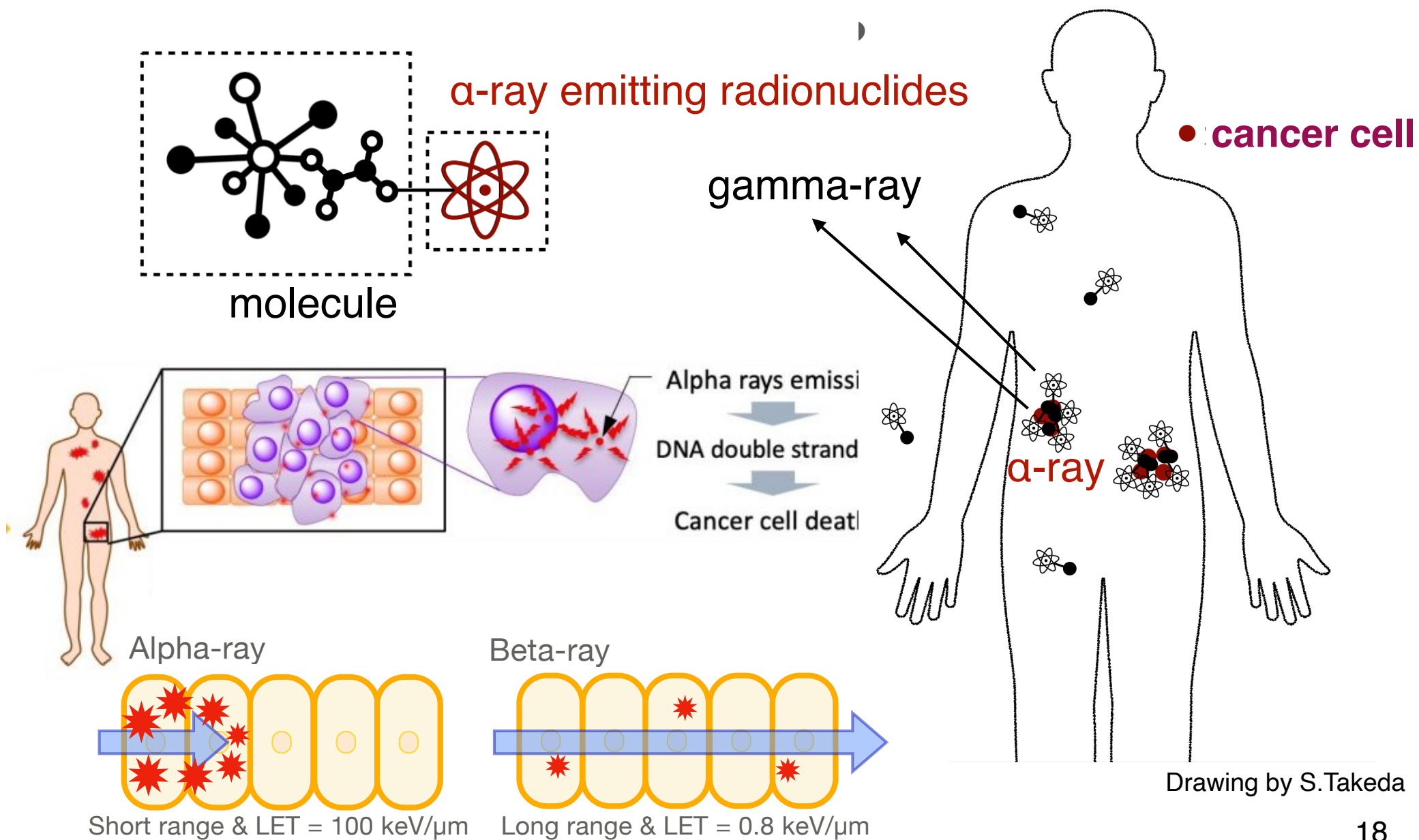


Kratochwil et al. (2016)

Injection of ^{177}Lu (β -ray) \longrightarrow Injection of ^{225}Ac (α -ray)

PSMA (Prostate Specific Membrane Antigen), referred to in Japanese as "前立腺特異的膜抗原," is a protein located on the surface of prostate cancer cells. Its expression can increase by tens to hundreds of times in cases of high malignancy or progressive metastasis.

Targeted Alpha-ray Therapy



Drawing by S.Takeda

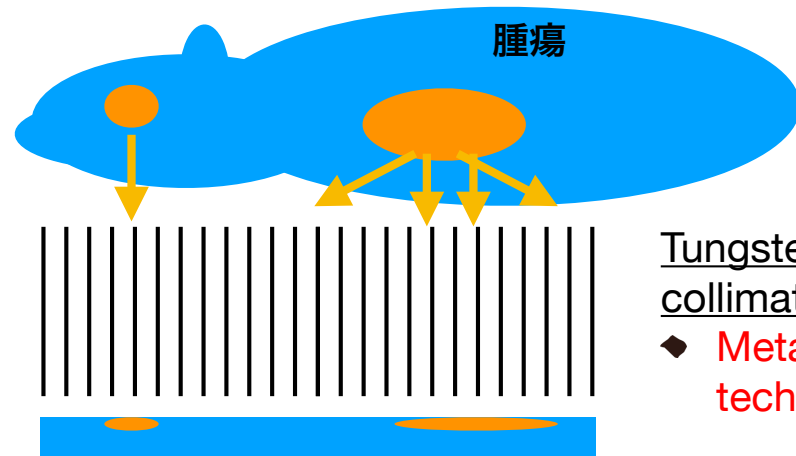
New Treatment Method (Alpha-Particle Radiotherapy)

→ Delivering radio-pharmaceuticals labeled with α -ray emitting radionuclides directly to cancer tissues and monitoring their accumulation to assess therapeutic efficacy.

- 1) An advanced imaging system that accurately maps the distribution of radiopharmaceuticals within the body is crucial for predicting treatment efficacy and potential side effects.
- 2) To develop alpha-emitting radiopharmaceuticals, initiating studies with small animals is essential.

To effectively image gamma-rays and hard X-rays emitted during alpha decay, a highly sensitive imaging system is essential, which we are confident we can achieve.

Empowering Cancer Drug Development: Advancing Sensor Technologies for Breakthroughs

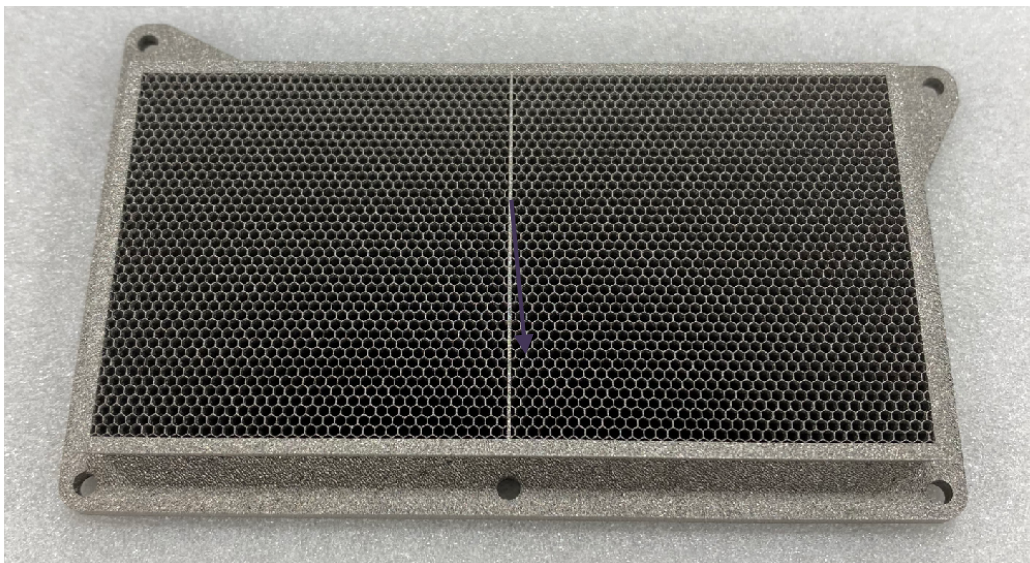
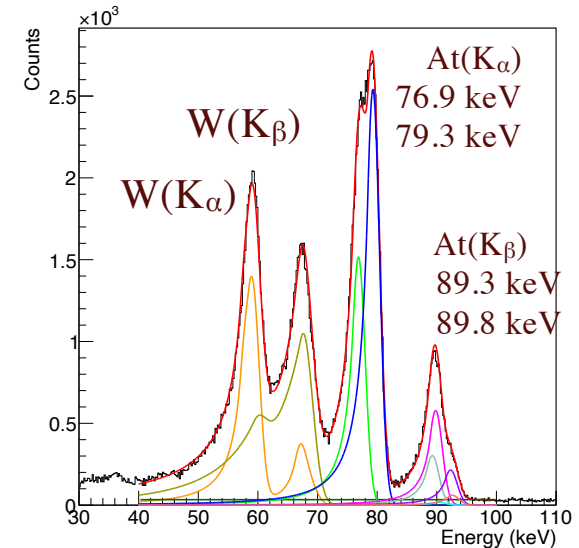


Tungsten parallel-hole collimator

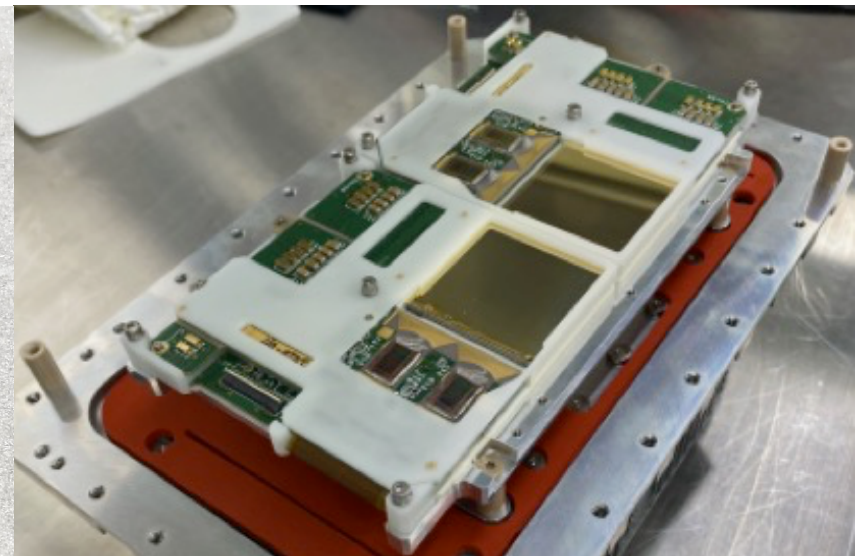
◆ Metal 3D printing technology

CdTe DSD (CdTe Double Sided Detector)

^{211}At X-ray Spectrum



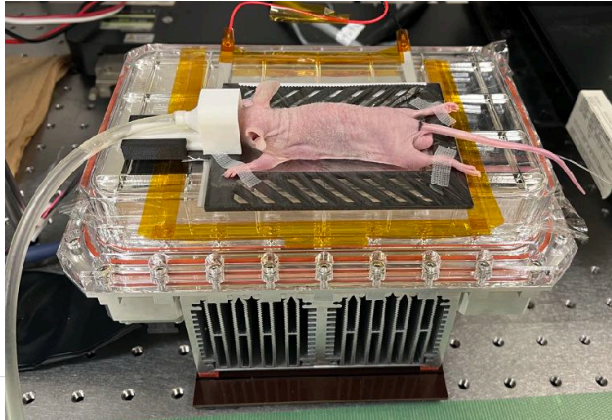
(with Toray Precision)



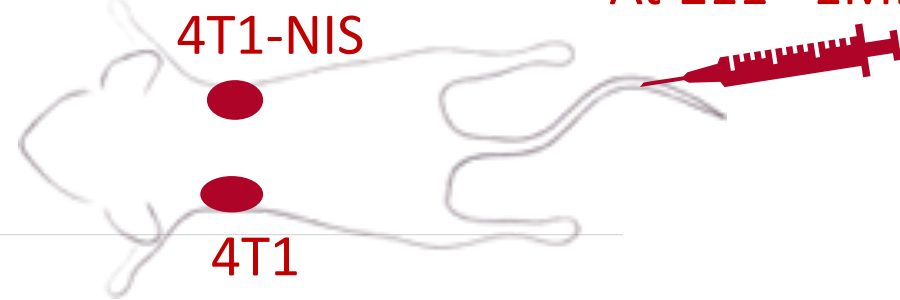
Courtesy iMAGINE-X

Started from a mouse (before human imaging)

Dynamic Imaging of ^{211}At in a mouse

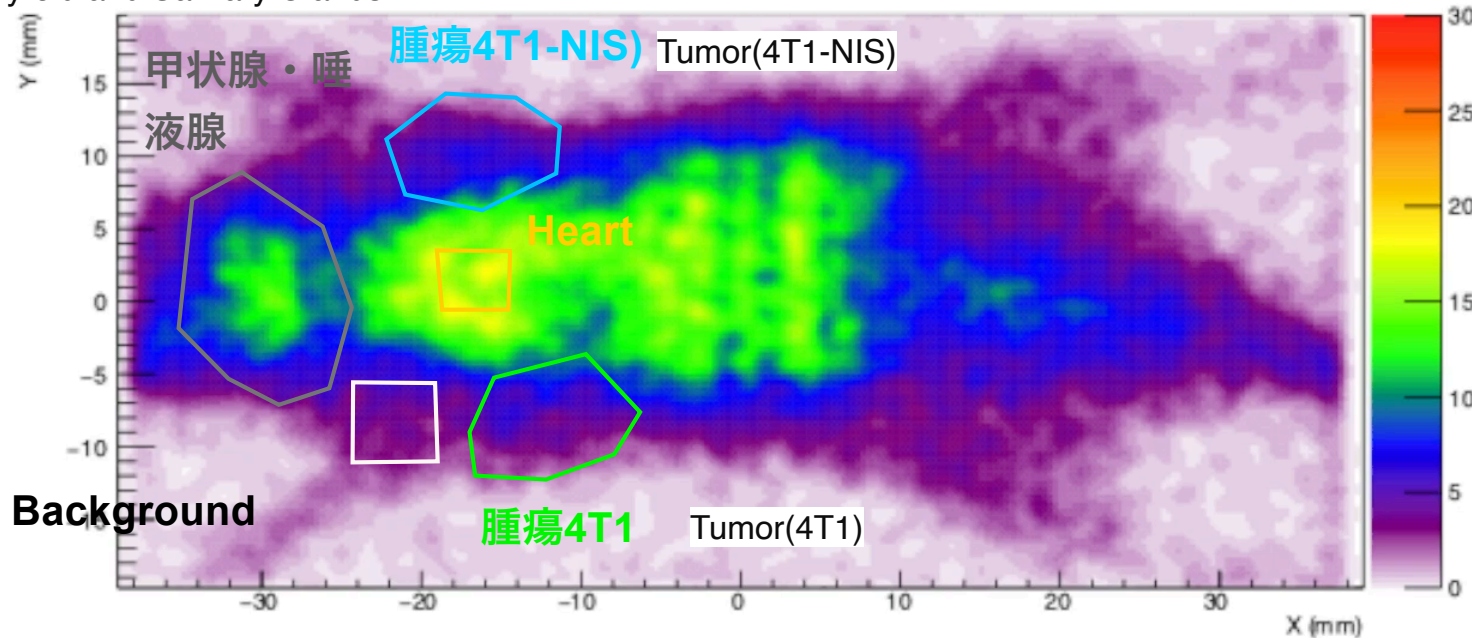


Imaging the Temporal Accumulation of a Radiolabeled Drug in a Tumor-bearing Mouse $\text{At-211} \sim 1\text{MBq}$



Time 10 min

Thyroid and Salivary Glands



Katsuragawa et al. (2024)

Its excellent performance has been recognized, leading to the joint research with a BIG pharmaceutical company.

Hitoshi's Constant Support (1)

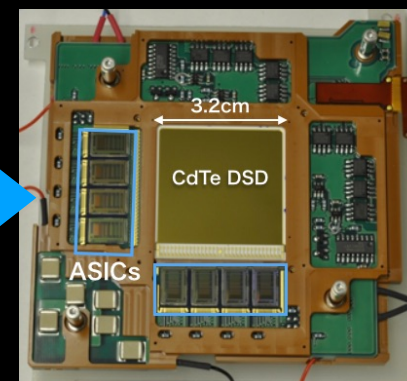
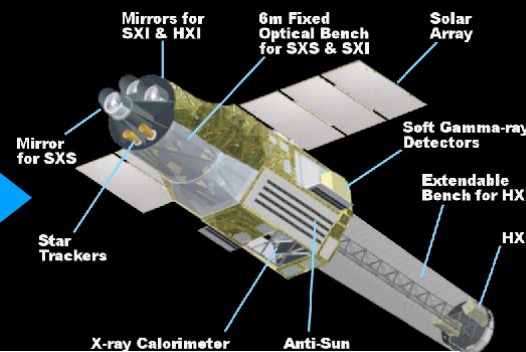
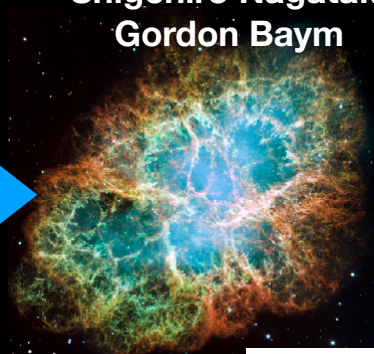
From his presentation at ISCO-2023



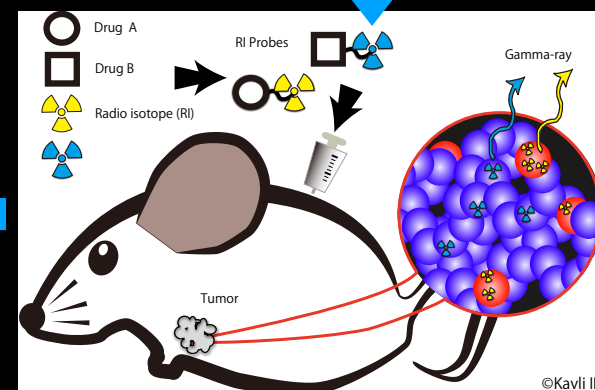
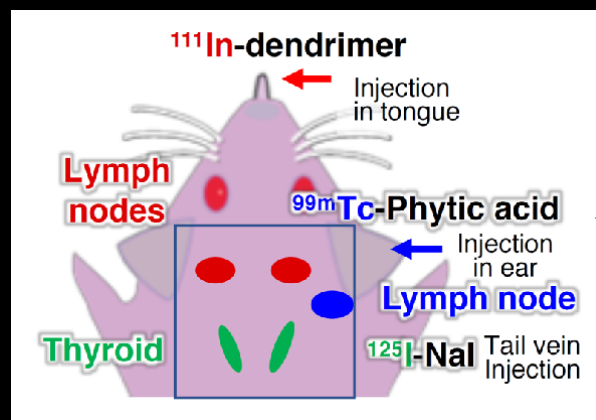
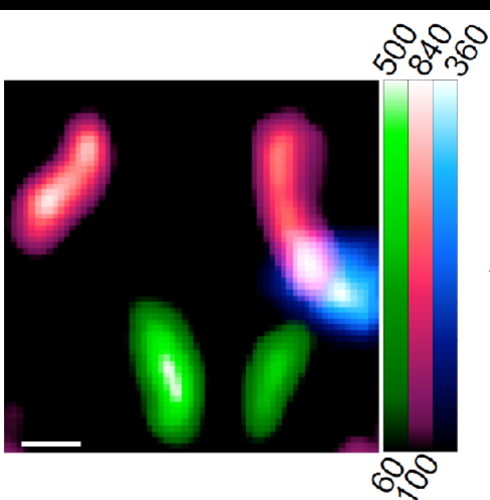
From space telescope to 4D microscope

Tad Takahashi

Shigehiro Nagasaki
Gordon Baym



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IPMU INSTITUTE FOR THE PHYSICS AND
MATHEMATICS OF THE UNIVERSE



30th Anniversary Ceremony of the Advanced Science Research Center, JAEA
(December 6, 2023)

宇宙科学 望遠鏡から医学へ

硬X線、軟γ線 イメージング

X-ray (Contour) Uchiyama, TT & FA (2002)

3.2cm CdTe DSD ASICs

TeV Gamma (Color) H.E.S.S.

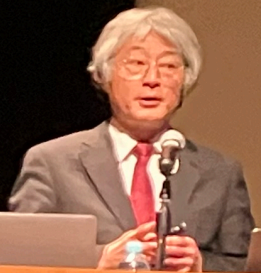
Drug RI-Probe Radio Isotope (RI) Gamma-ray

thyroid 1mm preliminary

125Iからのγ線

Tumor

The slide is a collage of scientific and medical images. At the top left, it says '宇宙科学' (Space Science) and '望遠鏡から医学へ' (From Telescopes to Medicine). Below this, there are several panels: 1. A space telescope in space with the text '硬X線、軟γ線 イメージング' (Hard X-ray, Soft Gamma-ray Imaging). 2. A brain scan image with the text 'X-ray (Contour) Uchiyama, TT & FA (2002)'. 3. A photograph of a CdTe DSD ASIC circuit board with a 3.2cm dimension line and the text 'CdTe DSD ASICs'. 4. A diagram of a mouse with a tumor and a 125I probe, with the text 'TeV Gamma (Color) H.E.S.S.', 'Drug RI-Probe Radio Isotope (RI) Gamma-ray', and '125Iからのγ線' (Gamma-ray from 125I). 5. A thyroid scan image with the text 'thyroid 1mm preliminary'. 6. A photograph of a rabbit. 7. A photograph of a large cylindrical detector component.



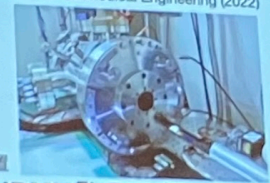
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研究成果 (あげられた「主な」成果)

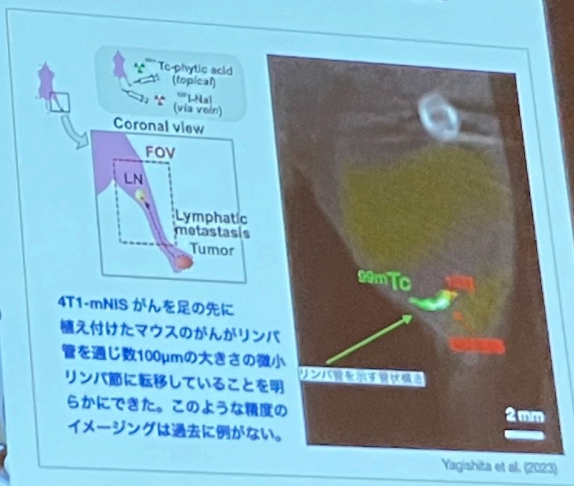
(1) 医学に直結する研究を国立がん研究センター、阪大医学部、慶應大学医学部、放医研 (QST) などの医学研究者と連携して行うことができた (武田、桂川、柳下が中心)。

(2) 小動物SPECT装置を完成させ、その高いエネルギー分解能と画像分解能をいかして、異なる標的に対応するプローブ分子につけたRIからのシグナルを識別して体内分布を示すことに成功した。

Yagishita et al. Nature Biomedical Engineering (2022)

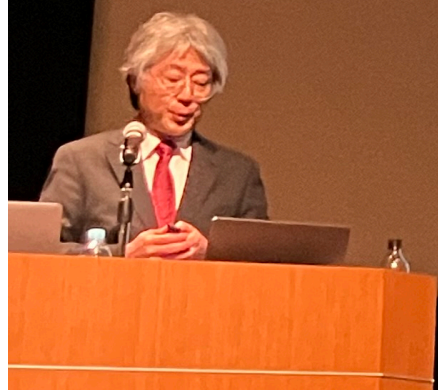


小動物SPECT装置



4T1-mNIS がんに足の先に植え付けたマウスのがんがリンパ管を通じ数100μmの大きさの微小リンパ節に転移していることを明らかにできた。このような精度のイメージングは過去に例がない。

- Kavli IPMU発のスタートアップ企業のIMAGINE-X社が立ち上がった。(2019年 武田、織田、柳下他)



Scientific achievements from IPMU, primarily in the field of physics, have been featured in medical journals.

1. Simultaneous visualization of multiple radionuclides in vivo, A. Yagishita, S. Takeda, M. Katsuragawa, T. Kawamura, H. Matsumura, T. Orita, I.O. Umeda, G. Yabu, P. Caradonna, T. Takahashi, S. Watanabe, Y. Kanayama, H. Mizuma, K. Ohnuki, and H. Fujii, **Nature Biomedical Engineering** (2022, April)
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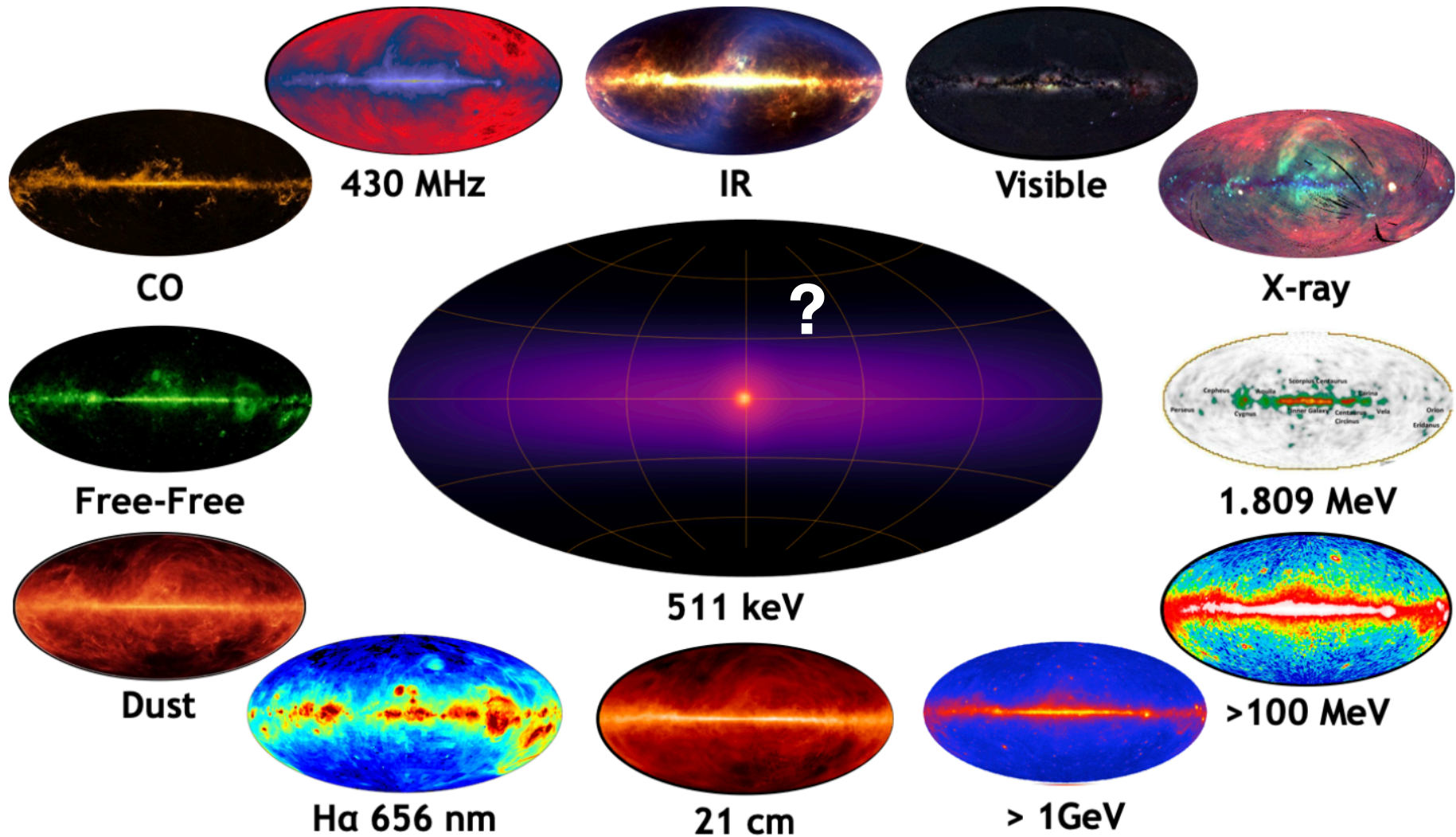


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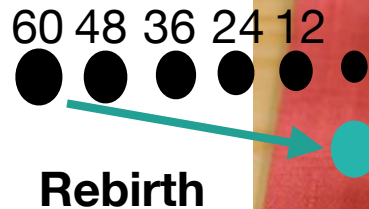
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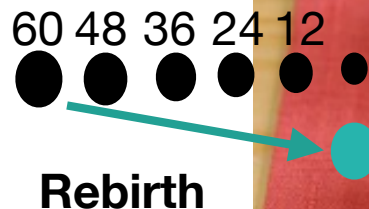
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Measurement requirements for emission line goals



Characteristic	Requirement
Sky Coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> >25%-sky instantaneous FOV 100%-sky each day
Energy Resolution* (FWHM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <1.2% @ 0.511 MeV <0.8% at 1.157 MeV (^{44}Ti)
Narrow Line Sensitivity (2 yr, 3σ , point source)	<p>[photons $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.2×10^{-5} @ 0.511 MeV 3.0×10^{-6} @ ^{26}Al, ^{60}Fe, and ^{44}Ti
Angular Resolution (FWHM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <4.1° @ 0.511 MeV <2.1° @ 1.8 MeV (^{26}Al)

*Notes on energy resolution:

- For fully reconstructed Compton events (average of 2.5 interactions)
- 1.157 MeV requirement is <0.8% FWHM; capability estimate $\sim 0.4\text{-}0.5\%$

