Direct detection systems for TEM : K2 Summit Camera & GIF Quantum LS Energy Filter

What should we expect from cryo-EM?

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Influence of detectors on published data (EMDB, 20. January 2015)

No. of yearly new Publications and 3D Structures



Detectors Designed for Structural Biology

K2 Summit[®]

- Electron counting camera
- K2 direct detection sensor
- Unmatched performance
- Highest contrast for thin specimens
- Gatan Latitude support
- SerialEM/Leginion support



GIF Quantum[®] LS

- Electron counting energy filter
- K2 direct detection sensor
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- Highest contrast for thick and thin specimens
- Gatan Latitude support
- SerialEM/Leginon support
- FEI embedding supported





History of detection devices

Fluorescence

Screen

Film





TV rate camerasDirect ElectronDetector





Image Inter

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Later CCD and CMOS



What is direct detection?

Traditional fiber-coupled camera (CCD or CMOS)



Scintillator electron to light conversion

Fiber optic light image transfer

CCD or CMOS sensor light to charge conversion

Direct detection camera







DQE limiting factors: low-Z Si sensor

- Electron scattering in high-Z scintillator
- Electron back-scattering from fiber optic
- Scattering of light in fiber optic
- Distortions from fiber optic
- Electronic read noise



What is electron counting?



Single 2.5 ms frame using conventional charge read-out



Same frame after counting

Counting removes the variability from scattering, rejects the electronic read-noise, and restores the DQE

So why doesn't every camera allow counting?

Typical dose rate of 10 e⁻/pix/s



40 fps: events overlap and cannot be resolved

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400 fps: events are resolved

It takes 400 fps to resolve electrons at a dose rate of 10 e⁻/pix/s



Improved DQE at high frequency

K2 Base: charge integration Improved DQE at high frequency



3. Charge collects in each pixel



1. Electron enters

detector

^{2.} Signal is scattered



Improved DQE at high and low frequency

K2 Summit: counting Improved DQE at low and high frequency

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1. Electron enters detector



2. Signal is scattered



3. Charge collects in each pixel



4. Events are reduced to the highest charge pixels



K2 Summit: super-resolution Improved DQE at low and high frequency 7680 x 7424 pix

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1. Electron enters detector



2. Signal is scattered



- 3. Charge collects in 4 each pixel loca

4. Events are localized with subpixel accuracy

The impact of DQE: why is it important?

Detective quantum efficiency



Input image: Low contrast picture of Siméon Denis Poisson **Output Image:** Image after recording with a camera with uniform 33% DQE

Image signal detail is lost in the noise added by the camera $DQE(s) = \frac{SNR^2_{out}(s)}{SNR^2_{in}(s)} = \frac{MTF(s)}{NTF(s)}$

Cryo: low contrast samples require highest possible SNR output Camera is most critical element





What is Dose Fractionation ? 7 sec exposure time without drift correction

- Dose fractionation is the distribution of a total electron dose over a series of sub-frames
- 21 x 0.33 sec = 7 sec

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without sub-frame drift correction



with sub-frame drift correction

Drift correction: Cryo-TEM example of Ribosome



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Benefits coming from K2 :

- Direct detection
- Counting

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- SuperResolution
- Dose fractionation
- Drift correction

K2 Summit/K2 Quantum: Powerful Tools for High Impact Science





2.2 Å β-galactosidase 465 kDa Bartesaghi et al., Science 2015 NIH K2 Quantum

Frealign Manual Imaging 2.6 Å Rotavirus 126 MDa Grant/Grigorieff (EMDB-6272) Janelia Farms K2 Summit Frealign Leginon 2.8 Å Proteasome 700 kDa Campbell et al. eLife 2015 NRAMM K2 Summit Relion Leginon

2.9 Å Anthrax Pore 425 kDa Jiang et al., Nature 2015 Scripps Research Inst. K2 Summit Frealign Leginon

3.4 Å TRPV1 380 kDa Liao et al., Nature 2013 UCSF K2 Summit Relion Manual/UCSF Image 4.5 Å γ-secretase 170 kDa Lu et. al., Nature 2014 MRC-LMB/Tsinghua K2 Quantum Relion Manual Imaging



High Resolution Helps with Drug Development



Cryo Electron Microscopy (Cryo-EM) Shows Impact of Drug Binding on Protein

- TRPV1 is an important drug target: chronic pain
- AstraZeneca, Bayer, Eli Lilly, Janssen, Johnson&Johnson, Novartis all have drugs targeting TRPV in clinical trials



2.8 Å Resolution Reconstruction of the *Thermoplasma acidophilum* 20 S Proteasome using Cryo-electron Microscopy

- 2.8 Å resolution
- Side chain conformations
- Water molecules and hydrogen bonds



Highest Resolution Structure – GIF Quantum LS

Sciencexpress

2.2 Å resolution cryo-EM structure of β galactosidase in complex with a cellpermeant inhibitor

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