Endoscopy & X-Ray Image Sensors Markets



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Image sensors Technologies

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Image Sensor Technologies over time



CCD Image Sensors: Technology Description

• Principle:

Photons are converted into electrons in each pixel, and then pixels are transferred sequentially row by row in an horizontal register which converts charges into voltage pixel by pixel.

• Specific features:

- Excellent image quality
- Need separate chips for digitalization & processing
- High power consumption

Main manufacturers:

- Limited speed



Frame-Transfer CCD Architecture

Parallel CCD Image Array

Paralle Shift Directio Single Pixel Element



CCD Image sensors – Off-chip Pre-processing



CMOS Image Sensors: Technology Description

Principle:

CMOS image sensors have the distinction to have in-pixel amplification and charge- to-voltage conversion.

- **Specific features:**
- **Highly integrated**
- Small form factor
- Low cost in mobile applications, high cost for large X-ray imaging applications
- Low power consumption
- **High readout speed**
- Main medical CMOS image sensors manufacturers:



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CMOS image sensors architecture



"SYSTEM-ON-CHIP"

CMOS image sensors -Pre-processing is monolithically integrated on the same chip

Main open CMOS foundries for medical image sensors:

CCD vs. CMOS Architectures



 CCDs move photo-generated charge from pixel to pixel and convert it to voltage at an output node.

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• CMOS imagers convert charge-to-voltage directly inside each pixel!

a-Si Flat Panels: Technology Description

• Principle:

Electrons are accumulated in photodiodes and then transferred by switching a thin-film transistor addressed by a line pulse. The signal is readout by an external amplifier and analog-to-digital converter.

- Specific features:
- Very large area
- Low cost
- Low resolution
- Low readout speed
- Main medical a-Si flat panel manufacturers:







a-Si readout matrix architecture – Courtesy of Varian



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Medical Image Sensors: Market Segmentation

		Direct Imaging / Hardware Dependant					Indirect Imaging / Software Dependant					
Applications		Microscopy	Endoscopy				X-Ray based methods			MRI	Ultrasound Imaging	Nuclear Medicine
one	Disposable		Camera pills	Disposable endoscopes								
Standal	Re-usable				Flexible endoscopes	Rigid endoscopes	X-Ray imagers for intra-oral imaging	X-Ray imagers for			Doppler ultrasound	
Integ larg	rated into a se system	Microscopes					X-Ray imagers for 2D extra-oral imaging	3D & large area imaging	СТ	MRI system		PET Scan
Optical Imaging X-ray Imaging												
In the following slides, we will focus on the Endoscopy and X-Ray Imaging applications												

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Medical Image Sensors: Market Segmentation

• For each product category, Medical Image Sensors require different functions:

		Camera pills	Disposable endoscopes	Flexible endoscopes	Rigid endoscopes	X-Ray imagers for dental intra-oral imaging	X-Ray imagers for 2D dental extra-oral imaging	X-Ray imagers for 3D CBCT & large area imaging
	Low power consumption	Х				Х		Х
	High integration: Small size	Х	Х	Х	Х			
	Low cost		Х					
bər	Biocompatibility							
list	Increase resolution	Х		Х			Х	Х
tab	Wide field of view	X						Х
Well es	High sensibility/DQE (low X-ray dose)			Х	Х	х	х	х
	Temperature and Humidity Resistance			х	х			
	Radiation hardness					х		х
ging	Multi-spectral imaging				Х			х
Jerg	Multi-modalities							х
ш	3D imaging			Х	Х			Х

* Key Medical Image Sensor functions per product category

Image sensors functions

Image Sensors Positioning: Price/Volume Mapping



Image Detection: Technological Differences Between X-Ray and Endoscopy Imaging



Image Sensor Technologies by Market

		CCD	CMOS	A-Si
	Camera pills market	Х	X	
scopy cation	Disposable endoscopes market		Х	
Endo: Applic	Flexible endoscopes market	Х	Х	
	Rigid endoscopes market	Х	Х	
b.	intra-oral imaging market		Х	
lmagir cation	X-ray 3D CBCT extra-oral imaging	Х	X	Х
(-Ray Appli	2D extra-oral market	Х		
	3D & large area market	Х	X	Х

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Medical Image Sensors Adoption Curves

Medical Image Sensors Market Penetration



Given Imaging: Pillcam SB2®

Company

Given Imaging is a world leader in GI medical devices, offering the broadest portfolio of capsule solutions to visualize the gastrointestinal tract and, through its Sierra Scientific subsidiary, offers specialty GI diagnostic solutions and high-resolution manometry. The company is based in Israel.

Turnover 2011: \$178 M

Application

Patient-friendly tool for visualization of the entire small bowel and is the standard of care for detecting small bowel abnormalities. It is the only capsule endoscope indicated for use in pediatric.

Features

- Size:11mm x 26mm
- IS technology: CMOS





Pillcam CMOS Image Sensor

Courtesy of Given Imaging

- The video capsule contains an imaging device and light source and transmits images at a rate of two images per second, generating more than 50,000 pictures during the eight-hour procedure.

Medigus: The SRS System

• Company:

Medigus is a medical device company that specializes in developing innovative endoscopic procedures and devices. Medigus is a pioneer developer of a unique proprietary endoscopic device: The SRS systems

• Application:

The medical device is dedicated for the treatment of GERD, one of the most common chronic diseases in the western world.

• Features:

- IS technology: CMOS
- Provides the same results as in gold standard laparoscopic surgery.
- Faster than laparoscopic surgery.
- A more attractive treatment than either surgery or lifelong medication.
- A more efficient and cost effective procedure.
- Less trauma to patient with no incisions.
- The entire endoscope is disposable.

Medigus -The SRS system head





e2v: intra-oral Detectors

Company

e2v (headquartered in Chelmsford, UK) is an independent supplier of intra-oral x-ray detectors. E2v supplies two intra-oral detectors, as stand-alone units with software development kits to OEMs.

Positioning

e2v has initiated major innovations in the dental intra-oral market: the first stand-alone USB detector to ease integration by OEM, and patented a CMOS sensor with 4 clipped corners to increase patient comfort by removing sharp edges of the detector.

Application

intra-oral X-ray imaging

- Features:
- Detector active size: 20x 30 mm² or 26x 36 mm²
- CMOS sensor with patented 4 clipped corner design
- Pixel pitch: 19 μm
- Dynamic range: 70dB
- Scintillator: CsI + FOP (Fiber Optic Plate)



Courtesy of e2v



Patented clipped corners CMOS sensor design

RF System Lab: Multi-CCD X-Ray Detector

Technology

NAOMI is composed of several multilayer boards that are each composed of 12 CCD chips controlled by a single command. Each board consists of 10 layers of substrates to avoid interaction between signal lines.

Visualization

Each CCD sensor visualizes a limited part of the field of view. Final x-ray image is reconstructed by stitching individual images.







Market Data

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Market Considered



Medical Image Sensors Market in M\$



The global Medical Image Sensor market will grow from \$68M in 2011 to \$112M in 2017.

Medical Image Sensors Market in Munits



The global Medical Image Sensors market in volume will grow from 1.4 Munits in 2011 to 4.6 Munits in 2017, fueled by emerging endoscopy products: camera pills and disposable endoscopes.

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Endoscopy Imaging: Split CCD/CMOS (in \$M)



The CCD Medical Image Sensors market dedicated to endoscopy will grow from \$4M in 2011 to \$5M in 2017.

In parallel, the total CMOS Medical Image Sensors market will continue to grow sharply from \$1M in 2011 to \$3.5M in 2017.

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X-Ray Imaging: Split CCD/CMOS/a-Si (in M\$)



Medical IS Market for X-Ray application will grow from \$63M to \$103M in 2017

CMOS x-ray image sensors revenue will continue to grow at a 12% CAGR2012-2017 and reach \$44M in 2017.

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New Technology to New Players and Applications



Future Trends in Endoscopy

Therapeutics Endoscopy



Increase the use of CMOS MIS

Camera Pills → Colonoscopy application

Disposable endoscopy → Drivers: Sterilization efficiency, Downtime reduction, Cost reduction

Chip to the tip endoscope

Invasiveness reduction

• 3D imaging

Future Trends in X-Ray Imaging

3 different trends will shape the future of x-ray systems:

- 1. The current move to CMOS
- 2. The move from indirect to direct conversion of x-ray (no scintillator, no fiber optic plate)
- 3. The move toward single photon detectors



CMOS FPD Positioning



- CMOS flat panels detectors will position on applications that require medium size panels AND high resolution OR high speed. Contrary to a-Si panels, CMOS needs no compromise low dose and high imaging speed.
- Typical applications are mammography (high resolution) or fluoroscopy (real-time imaging)

X-Ray Imaging: Technologies & Targeted Applications



Conclusions

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Summary and conclusions

- The global market of Medical Image Sensors will grow from \$68M in 2011 to \$112M in 2017.
- Whereas the contribution in value of the global endoscopy market represents only a few 10% of the Medical Image Sensors market in 2011, 90% is related to X-Ray applications.
- Image Sensor Innovations are reshaping the Medical Imaging Industry as it permit the entry of news market players, the development of news products in line with both patient and physicians requirements.
- The medical image sensors market is currently evolving, emerging technologies mentioned in the presentation are expected to go mainstream in the future, fueled by new applications with high growth rates.

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