
WIDEPIX[®] L_{2(1)x15} - MPX3

Datasheet

Model No.: W2CMX3-Xxx1906dd
WUCMX3-Xxx1906dd
WLCMX3-Xxx1906dd



General features

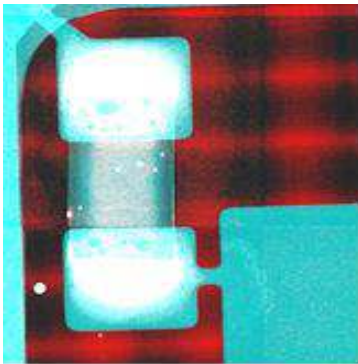


Illustration of multichannel “color” radiographs where different materials are identified and imaged in different colors

The large area imaging detector **WIDEPIX L_{2(1)x15} - MPX3** with resolution of 512 (256) x 3840 pixels i.e. 1.97 (0.98) Mpixels is composed of Medipix3 hybrid detector electronics tiles. Each tile (256 x 256 pixels) is attached to an edgeless silicon or CdTe sensor. Therefore, the whole area of the **WIDEPIX L_{2(1)x15} - MPX3** device is fully sensitive and there are no gaps between sensor tiles. Each pixel has two integrated 12-bit digital counters and two energy discrimination thresholds. The counters store number of registered particles, e.g. X-ray photons, with energy above the appropriate threshold. Both counters can be joined to a single 24-bit counter providing enhanced dynamic range. The particle counting principle eliminates any additional noise generated by the sensor or electronic readout. It allows acquiring X-ray images with very high contrast and wide dynamic range. Therefore, even low contrast structures such as plastic or soft tissue are easily detectable in X-ray images.

Both devices are suitable for CT scanners, which can take advantage of large sensitive area without any gaps. The **WIDEPIX L_{1x15} - MPX3** variant moreover supports a hardware-based Time-Delayed-Integration mode for online (continuous) scanning applications.

The energy discrimination thresholds of Medipix3 technology allow spectral X-ray imaging. Different materials in an inspected sample could be then identified based on their spectral X-ray attenuation properties. Energy spectra could be measured typically from 5 keV upwards.

The Charge Summing Mode implemented in the pixel electronics provides hardware-based correction of signal cross talk between pixels. This further considerably improves the detector spectral response and therefore also quality of spectra measured in individual pixels.

The camera is connected to a computer via USB 2.0 cable. The readout time is 50 (25) ms per frame resulting in maximum frame rate of 20 (50) frames per second.

Main Features

- Readout chip type Medipix3
- Pixel size 55 x 55 μm
- Sensor resolution 512 (256) x 3840 pixels
- Dynamic range in one frame 12-bit / 24-bit¹
- Dark current none
- Interface 3x USB 2.0 (Full-Speed)
- Maximum frame rate 20 (50) fps
- Dimensions 280 x 153 x 42 mm
- Weight 3500 g

¹ Depends on operation mode. Higher dynamic range can be achieved by summing multiple images.



Device parameters

Operating conditions

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Units	Comment
T _A	Temperature Range	0	30	40	°C	
Φ	Humidity		55	60	%	Not condensing
	IP Code		IP50			

Family parameters

T_A = 25°C, V_{CC} = 24V

Symbol	Parameter	WidePIX L 1x15 - MPX3	WidePIX L 2x15 - MPX3	Units	Comment
V _{CC}	Supply Voltage	20/24/26		V	Min/Typ/Max
I _{CC}	Supply Current (V _{CC} = 24V)	1000/2000	2400/4800	mA	Typ/Max
P	Power dissipation	27/54	48/96	W	Typ/Max
A	Sensor Area	214.5 x 14.1	214.5 x 28.2	mm	
	Detector Resolution	3840 x 256	3840 x 512	Pixels	
f	Frame Rate ¹	50	20	fps	
T _{READ}	Readout Time ²	20	50	ms	
m	Weight	3300	3500	g	

Modes of readout chip operation

Type	Mode	Bit depth	Description
Frame (reading all pixels)	SPM-1CH	12/24 bit/frame	Single Pixel Mode using one counter: Every pixel works independently of its neighbours. One energy threshold (energy channel) is available. 1 output image: Number of events per pixel
	SPM-2CH	12 bit/frame	Single Pixel Mode using both counters: Every pixel works independently of its neighbours. Two energy thresholds (energy channels) are available. 2 output images: Number of events per pixel
	CSM	12/24 bit/frame	Charge Summing Mode: The charge from 4 adjacent pixels is summed and is assigned to the pixel with the largest charge deposition. The event is counted only if the sum of singals exceeds the energy threshold. 1 output image: Number of events per pixel

All modes can be operated at three ranges: Broad / Narrow / Super Narrow³

¹ Operating parameters: Shutter time=1ms, Mode = CSM or SPM-1Ch 12bit resolution.

² During Readout time (or Dead time), no charge is collected from the sensor.

³ Except CSM mode Silicon sensor.



Energy range and resolution

Typical values for 300 μm Silicon sensor, $T_A = 20^\circ\text{C}$.

Range	Mode	Min Energy [keV]	Max Energy [keV]	Resolution* @Cu-K α (8.05 keV)	Resolution* @Zr-K α (15.77 keV)	Resolution* @Pb-K α (74.97 keV)
Super Narrow	SPM	2.5 - 4.0	100 - 110	0.7 – 1.5		3.5 – 7.0
Narrow	SPM	2.5 – 4.0	160 - 180	0.8 – 1.3	-	3.0 - 3.8
	CSM	6.0	-	1.5	1.5	12.0
Broad	SPM	5.0 – 6.5	260 - 290	1.6 – 2.0	-	3.3 - 4.0
	CSM	8.0	-	-	2.3	5.8

Typical values for 1000 μm CdTe sensor, $T_A = 20^\circ\text{C}$

Range	Mode	Min Energy [keV]	Max Energy [keV]	Resolution* @Zr-K α (15.77 keV)	Resolution* @Cd-K α (23.17 keV)	Resolution* @ ²⁴¹ Am (59.54 keV)
Super Narrow	SPM	5 - 10	150 – 170	1.2 – 1.5	1.5 – 2.0	3-6 – 5.0
	CSM	5 – 10	150 – 160	1.4 – 1.6	1.5 – 1.6	2.0 – 2.7
Narrow	SPM	5 – 10–	170 – 190	1.3 – 1.6	1.5 – 2.0	2.2 – 3.1
	CSM	5 – 10	260 – 270	1.7 – 2.0	1.9 – 2.0	2.9 – 3.6
Broad	SPM	5 – 10–	220 – 240	1.6 – 1.9	1.8 – 2.2	2.2 – 2.9
	CSM	5 – 10	460 – 470	2.0 – 2.4	2.2 – 2.4	2.4 – 2.7

* resolution in Sigma of gaussian fit.

Sensor parameters

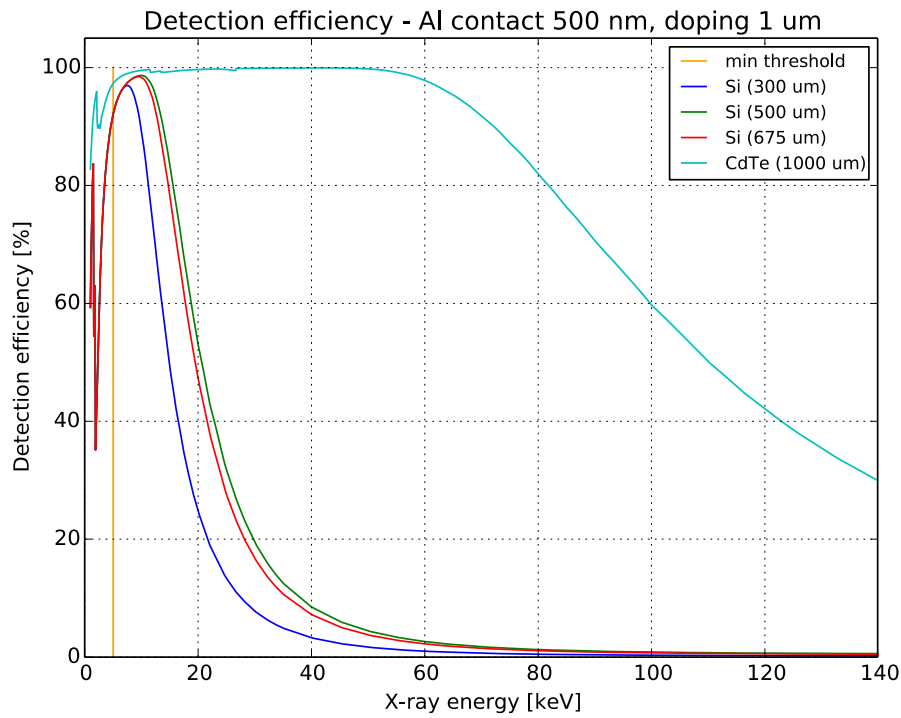
Sensor material

Symbol	Parameter	Si		CdTe	Units	Comment
	Thickness	300	500	1000	μm	
V_{bias}	Bias Voltage	200	300	-450	V	Max
	Typical detectable energy range for X-rays*	up to 60		up to 600	keV	See chart below
	Pixel size	55 x 55**			μm^2	

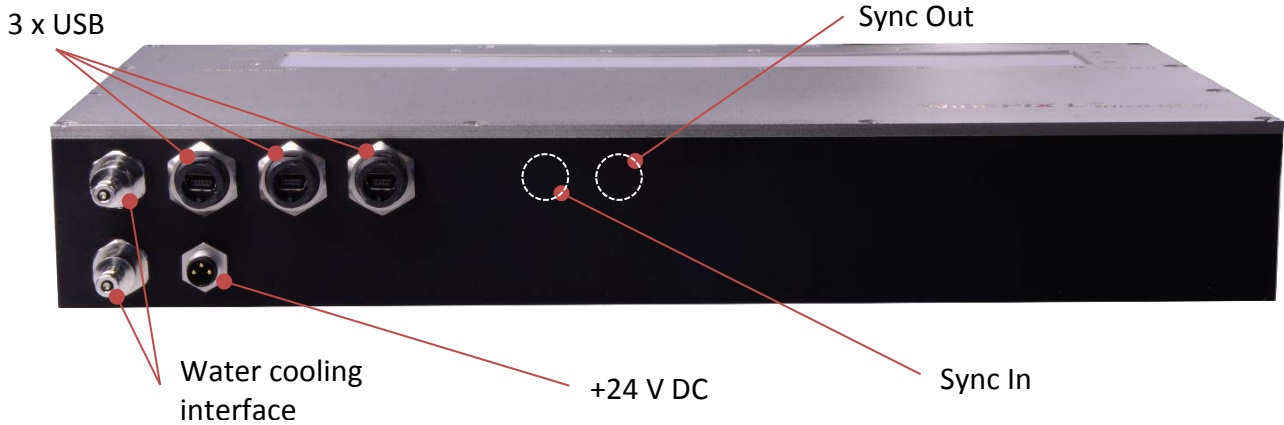
* to get true detector response, detectable energy and quantum efficiency of sensor chip has to be combined with energy range of readout chip (see chapter “Energy range and resolution”)

** Pixels on tile borders are 2.5 times larger in one direction. The corner tile pixels are 2.5 times larger in both directions.





Device description



USB connectors

3 x USB type A, Standard USB 2.0 Full-Speed, in IP68 protection.

+24 V DC connector

Main power supply (via standard M8 connector with 3 female contacts) Connect after plugging USB connector.

Water cooling interface

It is mandatory to cool down detector when in operation. **WIDEPIX L_{2(1)x15} - MPX3** uses water connectors that allow for quick disconnection/reconnection. Mating connector is included as standard accessories and has to be attached to 4x6 mm plastic hose.

Synchronization interface (optional)

Two 4-pin M8 connectors (female for outputs and male for input) serve as synchronization interface, allowing to synchronize **WIDEPIX L_{2(1)x15} - MPX3** detector with external processes. Four signals are available:

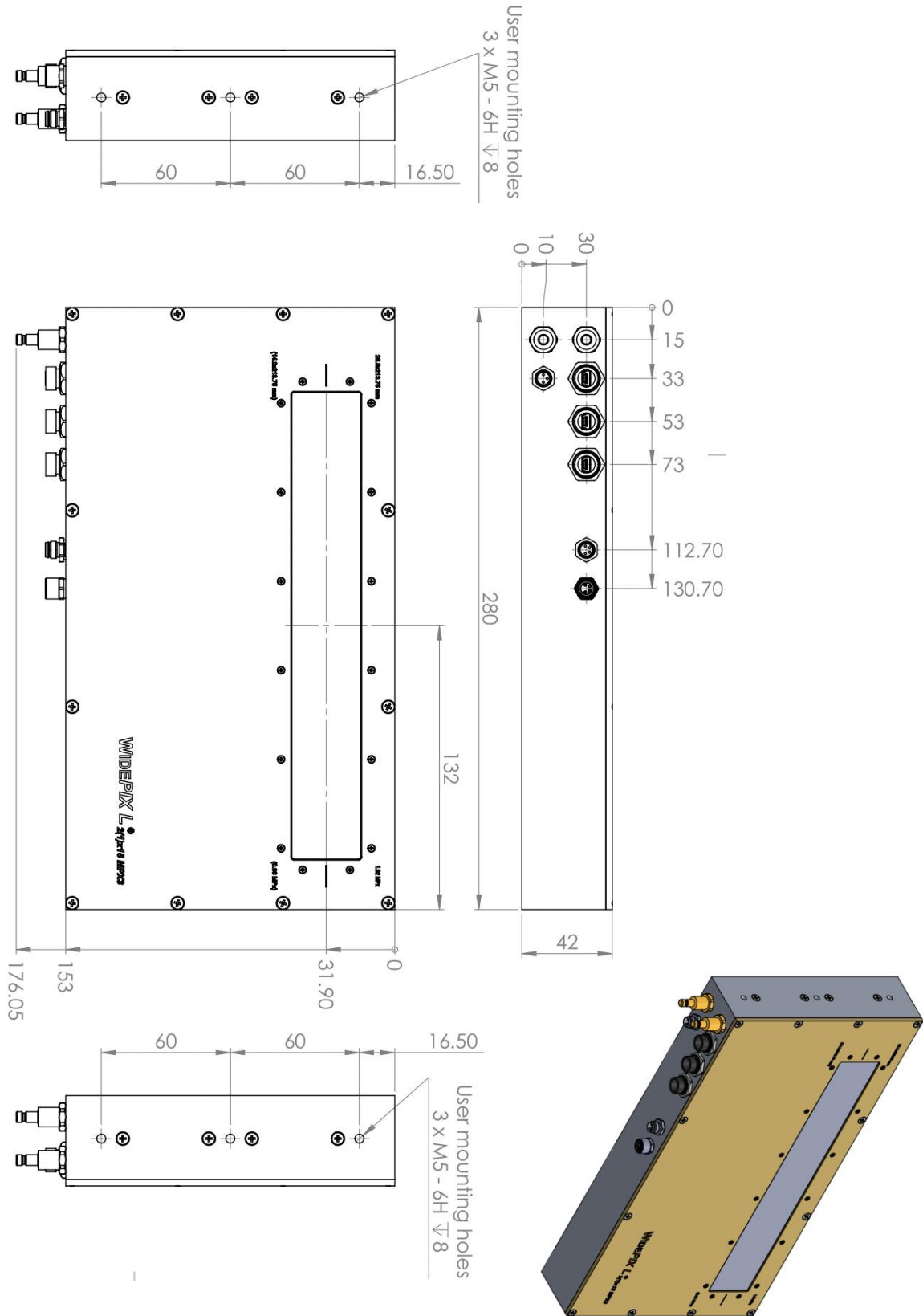
- **Ready in** – measurement is not possible, when signal at logical zero
- **Trigger in** – logical zero starts shutter (measurement)
- **Ready out** – logical one if device is ready to for new shutter
- **Trigger out** – mirrors shutter (logical zero when shutter is active)

All signals are TTL compatible and 5V tolerant. For detailed description see **Synchronization Guide**.

Sync. Outputs (M8-4Female)		Sync. Inputs (M8-4Male)	
Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	Gnd	1	Gnd
2	Trigger Out	2	Trigger In
3	Ready Out	3	Ready In
4	Reserved	4	Reserved



Mechanical dimensions



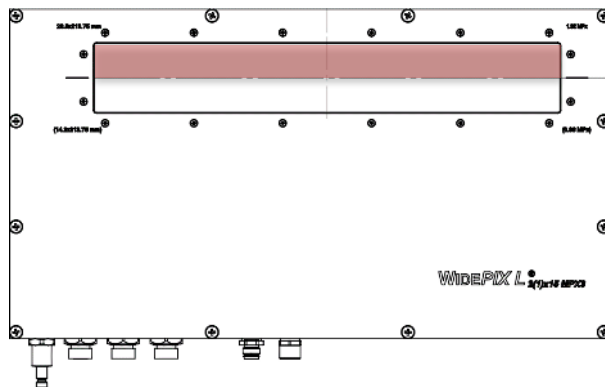
All dimensions are in mm.

* Sensitive surface distance from top of the box may vary depending on actual sensor thickness.

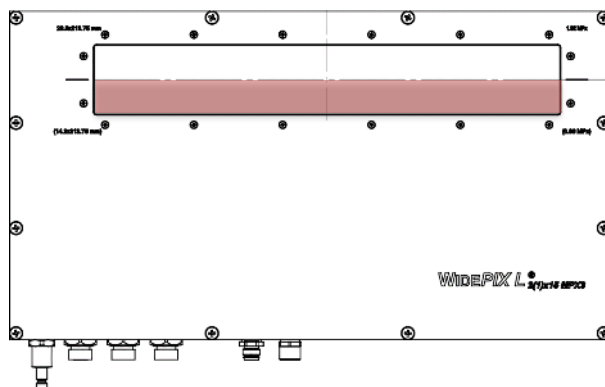


Sensitive area

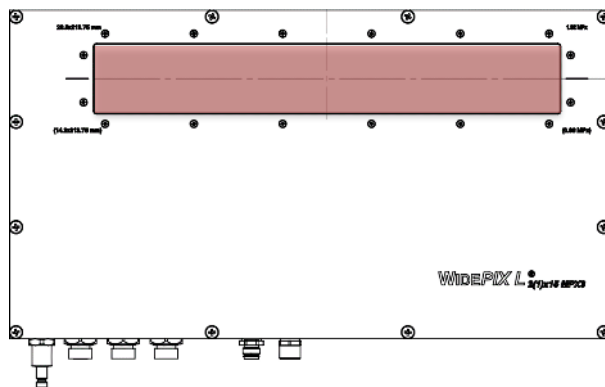
Sensitive area for models **WUCMX3**-XxxYYMMDD (single upper row)



Sensitive area for models **WLCMX3**-XxxYYMMDD (single lower row)



Sensitive area for models **W2CMX3**-XxxYYMMDD (two rows)



Model Number Codes

Example:

W2C MX3 - X C A 180817

Device name:

- W2C – WidePIX L 2x15
- WUC – WidePIX L 1x15 – upper row
- WLC – WidePIX L 1x15 – lower row

Device modification:

Medipix3 chips

Sensor type:

- E – Edgeless silicon
- C – CdTe

Sensor thickness:

- 3 – 300 µm
- 5 – 500 µm
- A – 1000 µm

Device version date:

YY MM DD

Release history

Date	Changes
28/07/19	Preliminary version
30/07/19	Release version



Warning

Do not touch sensor surface!

Instructions for safe use

To avoid malfunction or damage to your **WIDEPIX L_{2(1)x15} - MPX3** please obey the following:

- Do not expose to water or moisture **WIDEPIX L_{2(1)x15} - MPX3** is dust protected only.
- Do not open **WIDEPIX L_{2(1)x15} - MPX3** case. Detector wire-bonding connections may be irreversibly damaged.
- Do not operate detector when not properly water cooled. Otherwise detector temperature may rise above the specified range.

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