

The story of GScan

Technology of the future, now



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Summer School of Physics Students July 2022

² The problem:

We are eager to know what is the inside of things!



The X-ray photo, Wilhelm Röntgen, Würzburg, Germany, 1895

Probably one of the most influential photo in history

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Principles of

muon tomography

- 1. Measuring incoming natural flux of atmospheric particles: muons, electrons, positrons
- 2. Scattering of the particles in the object
- 3. Measuring exiting particles after the scattering
- 4. Reconstruction of the object and its materials using the scattering data

Technical description of our prototype system: https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.12542



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Cosmic rays – the origin





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Prototype µFLUX system

Commissioned: May 2020 Tests completed: August 2020

Main result: 99+% efficiency to classify materials (water, plastics, wood, light and heavy metals etc)

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Atmospheric ray tomography for low-Z materials

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COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH

Muon tomography for clinical imaging: preliminary modelling-based results

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CosmoMed project

To provide an understanding of a cosmic-ray based tomographic system's theoretical capability of detecting osteoporosis



An example of the UHAR system measuring the calcium concentration in the human bones exploiting cosmic radiation.

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Cosmic Ray Tomograph for Identification of Hazardous and Illegal Goods hidden in Trucks and Sea Containers

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Busy year of GScan May 2021- May 2022

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Modules for µFLUX™ products (May-June 2022)

Key product: industrially produced detector module (hodoscope)

- **Dimensions:** 1m × 2m × 0.3m
- **Detector tech:** Plastic Scintillator Fibre (PSF), Silica Photo Multipliers (SiPM)
- **Production tech:** Robotic production line (some manual steps)
- Price (Bill of Materials): €50k/m²
 - R&D target (end of 2023): €25k/m²
 - Long term (2025): €10k/m²





14 Production line of the modules (April-May 2022)





¹⁵ muonFLUX Small[™], Oct 2022

Pilot customer: the **Estonian Customs**, parcel company **Omniva AS** (LOI signed, the lead of €0.5M sales contract in 2022)

- The interrogation volume: 1 × 1 × 1.2 m³
- **Markets:** customs, parcel delivery, airports, security gates
- **First clients beyond the pilot:** Finnish & Latvian Customs
- **Price:** €0.5M (Bill of Materials: €0.25M)
- Technical description: constructed by the four sensor modules (1 × 2 m²)





16 muFLUX Small™, Oct 2022



Interrogation chambre



4 standard unit detector modules (hodoscopes)

Covering, light materials



¹⁷ muonFLUX Medium[™], 2023

- The interrogation volume: $ca 3 \times 2.5 \times 6 m^3$
- **Markets:** Aviation containers, borders & customs, security gates
- **Timeline:** the second half of 2023
- **Technical description**: the 20 modules supported by light construction frames
- First clients: negotiations with Singapore Air Cargo & SATS





¹⁸ muonFLUX Large[™], 2024

The first pilot contract singed! Project SilentBorder by the European Union (€7.5M, 2021-25)

- Large scanner for trucks and sea containers
- Modular design
- Delivery: 2025
- Price: €10M
 - Further details: <u>https://silentborder.eu</u>

Partners: GScan, Tartu U, German Aerospace Centre (DLR), CAEN (Italy), Uni of Sheffield (UK), UCLouvain (Belgium), SGS (Switzerland); Estonian, Finnish and Turkish Customs





¹⁹ muonFLUX[™] Special, 2024

The first pilot projects are coming (€2.5M)

- Markets: Non-Destructive Inspection/Testing (NDI/NDT) for bridges, wind turbines, power plants etc
- **Timeline:** First system ready in Autumn 2022
- First clients: Energy & nuclear sector
- Price: modular system, the prices starting €0.5M



GScan R&D projects and future directions

- Two abandoned Soviet military reactors in Estonia
- Cylindrical steel "submarines" (9 & 7 m) half-filled with concrete and some radioactive objects
- Can muon tomography help? <u>Yes</u>







2 hours exposure (8x12 m2) --> some days with 2 m2 area hodoscopes



²¹ Our team (Oct 2021)

Business + sales + industry + detectors + AI





Thank you! Questions?

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