

Thallium (**CsI(TI)**); Computed Tomography (**CT**); Depth of Interaction (**DOI**); Digital Rectal Examination (**DRE**); Digital Signal Processing (**DSP**); Electronic Design Automation (**EDA**); Food Drug Administration (**FDA**); Field Programmable Gate Array (**FPGA**); Fluorodeoxyglucose (**FDG**); First-In-First-Out (**FIFO**); Field Of View (**FOV**); Gallium Arsenic (**GaAs**); General Electric (**GE**); Gross Domestic Product (**GDP**); Health Care Financing Administration (**HCFA**); Health Maintenance Organization (**HMO**); Intellectual Property (**IP**); Line of Response (**LOR**); Lutetium orthosilicate (**LSO**); Multiply Accumulation Unit (**MAC**); Magnetic Resonance Imaging (**MRI**); Thallium-activated Sodium Iodide (**NaI(TI)**); National Center for Health Statistics (**NCHS**); National Cancer Institute (**NCI**); National Health care Expenditures (**NHE**); Positron Emission Tomography (**PET**); Printed Circuit Board (**PCB**); Pulse Height Discrimination (**PHD**); Prostate Specific Antigen (**PSA**); Pulse Shape Discriminator (**PSD**); Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (**SEER**); System-On-a-Chip (**SOC**); Superconducting Super Collider (**SSC**); Time-to-Digital converter (**TDC**); United States (**U.S.**); Yttrium Orthosilicate (**YSO**).

### Trademarks:

The following trademarks are the property of the following organizations:

ECAT, EXACT HR, ECAT, ACCEL, and Biograph are trademarks of CTI/Siemens.

GE Advance, Advance Nxi, Discovery LS are a trademark of General Electric Corporation.

CPET is a trademark of ADAC, a Philips Medical System Company

IBM PC is a trademark of International Business Machines Corporation.

Windows NT is a trademark of Microsoft Corporation.

### About the author:

Dario Crosetto has collaborated for the past twenty years in extensive physics experiments at the European Center for Particle Physics (CERN) in Geneva and at the Superconducting Super Collider Laboratory (SSCL) in Texas, U.S. He has designed the critical part of the electronics (recognizing particles arriving at million events per second) for experiments costing up to half a billion dollars (see the Gammas Electrons and Muons Technical Design Report –GEM TDR- at [www.3d-computing.com/pb/gem-tdr.pdf](http://www.3d-computing.com/pb/gem-tdr.pdf) and [68], [69]). He was designated principal investigator of government grants, the largest of which was \$750,000. He was responsible for the implementation of an Application Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC) for a physics experiment (thousands of those ASICs are now in use). He has designed a DSP parallel processing system for the trigger of a physics experiment. This same design was implemented in VME and subsequently entered into the commercial market, where it was used by a German company in applications for quality control in lamination processes. He improved the electronics of PET and other applications for medical imaging devices during the past ten years.

## 18 REFERENCES

- [1] Crosetto, D. "400+ times improved PET efficiency for lower-dose radiation, lower-cost cancer screening." ISBN 0-9702897-0-7. Available at Amazon.com
- [2] Crosetto, D.: A modular VME or IBM PC based data acquisition system for multi-modality PET/CT scanners of different sizes and detector types. Presented at the IEEE Nuclear Science Symposium and Medical Imaging Conference, Lyon, France, 2000, IEEE-2000-563, <http://www.3d-computing.com/pb/ieee2000-563.pdf>.
- [3] Crosetto, D.: Real-time, programmable, digital signal-processing electronics for extracting the information from a detector module for multi-modality PET/SPECT/CT scanners. Presented at the IEEE Nuclear Science Symposium and Medical Imaging Conference, Lyon, France, 2000, IEEE-2000-567, submitted to IEEE, Trans. Nucl. Science. <http://3d-computing.com/pb/ieee2000-567.pdf>.
- [4] Crosetto, D.: LHCb base-line level-0 trigger 3D-Flow implementation. Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research, Section A, vol. 436 (Nov. 1999) pp. 341-385
- [5] Phelps, M.E., et al., The Changing of Positron Imaging System. Clinical Positron Imaging, vol. 1(1):31045, 1998
- [6] Ordonnance sur la radioprotection (OraP) Le conseil federal suisse. 19 decembre 2000.
- [7] Anderson L., Jansson, L.: Reduced breast cancer mortality in women under age 50: updated results from Malmo Mammographic Screening program. J. Nat. Cancer Inst. Monogr. (22):63-67, 1997.
- [8] Kimiaei, S. and Larsson, S.A. Simultaneous SPECT and CT with an Opposed Dual Head Gamma Camera System and Conventional Parallel Hole Collimators. IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci., vol. 43(4), pp. 2239-2243. August 1996.
- [9] Parker, R.G.: The "Cost-Effectiveness" of Radiology and Radiologists. Radiology, November 1993, vol. 189(2):363-369.
- [10] Moore, A.T., Dixon, A.K. et al. Cost benefit evaluation of body computed tomography. Health Trends, August 1997, vol19(3):8-12.
- [11] Barnet, R.M. et al.: Review of particle physics. American Institute of Physics (AIP). Physical review D54, 1 (1996).
- [12] Rollo, F.D.: It's here, and it's for real. Diagnostic Imaging. ISSN 0194-2514. January 2001, pp. 36-43 and 63.
- [13] HCFA, National Health Accounts: Lessons from the U.S. Experience. Definitions, Source and Methods in the U.S. National Health Accounts. <http://www.hcfa.gov/stats/nhe-oact/lessons/>
- [14] Friedman, K. Kulp, K. and Berryann, M. Business Watch. 1999 in review. The industry hits new heights at the close of the millennium. IMS Health, May 2000.
- [15] U.S. Department of Commerce Economics and Statistics Administration, U.S. Census Bureau. Electromedical and Irradiation Equipment.
- [16] Hefler, S. et al.: Health Spending Growth Up In 1999; Faster Growth Expected In The Future. Health Affair, March/April 2001, pp. 193-203
- [17] Burner, S.T., Waldo, D.R., and McKusick, D.R.: National health expenditures through 2030. Health Care Financing Review. Fall 1992, Vol. 14, Number 1.
- [18] Levit, K.R. et al. National Health Expenditures, 1994, Health Care Financing Review / Spring 1996/Vol.17, Number 3.
- [19] Levit, K.R. et al. National Health Expenditures, 1995, Health Care Financing Review / Fall 1996/Vol.18, Number 1.
- [20] Burner, S.T., et al. National Health Expenditures Projections, 1994-2005, Health care Financing Review / Spring 1995/Vol.16, Number 4
- [21] Levit, K.R. et al. National Health Spending Trends in 1996 Health Affairs. January/February 1998.
- [22] Braden, B.R., et al. National Health Expenditures, 1997, Health Care Financing Review / Fall 1998/Vol.20, Number 1

- [23] Smith, S., et al. National Health Projections Through 2008, Health care Financing Review / Winter 1999/Vol.21, Number 2.
- [24] Crosetto, D., "System Design and Verification Process for LHC Programmable Trigger Electronics" IEEE NSS-MIC Seattle (WA) Oct. 24-30, 1999.
- [25] Crosetto, D.: Detailed design of the digital electronics interfacing detectors... LHCb 99-006, 5 May, 1999 CERN – Geneva
- [26] Crosetto, D. "High-Speed, Parallel, Pipelined, Processor Architecture for front-end Electronics, and Method of Use Thereof." LHCb 96-2, TRIG 96-1. CERN, Geneva.
- [27] Crosetto, D., "Real-Time system design environment for multi-channel high-speed data acquisition system and pattern-recognition" IEEE Real Time Conference, Santa Fe, (NM) June 14-18, 1999.
- [28] Zaidi, H. Scatter correction in 3D PET European Journal of Nuclear Medicine (2000) 47:2722-2735.
- [29] Von Schulthess, Gustav K.: Clinical Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Correlation with Morphological Cross-Sectional Imaging. University hospital, Zurich, Switzerland. Published by Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2000
- [30] Bar-Shalom, R., Valdivia, A.Y., and Blafox, M.D.: PET Imaging in Oncology. Seminars in Nuclear Medicine, Vol. XXX, No. 3 (July), 2000: pp 150-185.
- [31] Jones, W.F. et al.: Next generation PET data acquisition architectures," IEEE TNS, vol NS-44, pp. 1202, (1997).
- [32] Dent, H.M., et al.: A real time digital coincidence processor for positron emission tomography. IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci., vol. 33(1):556-559, 1986
- [33] Binkley, D.M. et al.: A custom CMOS Integrated Circuit for PET tomograph front-end applications. IEEE, conf. rec. pp. 867-871, 1993.
- [34] Mertens, J.D., et al.: US Patent No. 5,241,181. "Coincidence detector for a PET scanner." Assignee: General Electric Company, August 31, 1993.
- [35] Saoudi, A., and Lecomte, R.: A Novel APD-based detector module for multi-modality PET/SPECT/CT scanners. IEEE Conf. Rec. Nucl. Sci. Symp. and Med. Imag., pp. 1089-1093, 1998.
- [36] Miyaoka, R.S., et al.: Effect of Detector Scatter on Decoding Accuracy of a DOI Detector. IEEE Conf. rec. of the Nucl. Sci. Symp. and Med. Imag. M3-34, Seattle, October 24-30, 1999
- [37] Huber, J., et al.: Development of a 64-channel PET detector module with depth of interaction measurement. IEEE presentation at the Nucl. Sci. Symp. and Med. Imag., M4-6, Seattle, October 24-30, 1999.
- [38] Binkley, D.M. et al.: A custom CMOS Integrated Circuit for PET tomograph front-end applications. IEEE, conf. rec. pp. 867-871, 1993.
- [39] Boyd, D.P., et al.: A proposed dynamic cardiac 3D densitometer for early detection and evaluation of heart disease. IEEE TNS, 2724-2727, (1979).
- [40] Boyd, D.P., and Lipton, M.J.: Cardiac computed tomography, Proceedings IEEE, 198-307, (1983).
- [41] Rumberger et al.: Electron Beam Computed Tomographic Coronary Calcium Scanning: A review and guidelines for use in asymptomatic persons. Mayo foundation for Medical Education and Research, vol. 74, pp. 243-252, (1999).
- [42] Lehmann, et al.: First results of Computerized Tomographic Angiograph using EBT. Journal of Radiology, vol. 9, pp.525-529, (1999).
- [43] Teigen, et. al.: Pulmonary Rmbolism: Diagnosis with Electron Beam CT. Journal of Radiology, vol. 188, pp. 839-845.
- [44] Karp, J.S., et al.: Performance Standard in Positron Emission Tomography. J Nucl. Med. 1991; 12:2342-2350.
- [45] Wienhard, K. et al.: The ECAT EXACT HR: Performance of a New High Resolution Positron Scanner. IEEE TNS., 1997, pp. 1186-1190.
- [46] DeGrado, T.R. et al.: Performance Characteristics of the Whole-Body PET Scanner. Journal of Nuclear Medicine, vol. 35(8):1398-1406, August 1994.
- [47] Meier, D., et al.: Silicon Detector for a Compton Camera in Nuclear Medical Imaging. CERN-EP/2001-009 January 29,2001, presented at the Nucl. Sci. Symp. And Medical Imaging on October 2000, Lyon, France.
- [48] Schmand, M., et al.: Performance results of a new DOI detector block for high resolution PET-LSO research tomograph HRRT. IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci., vol. 45(6):3000-3006, December 1998.
- [49] Schmand, M., et al.: Performance Evaluation of a new LSO high resolution research tomograph –HRRT. IEEE Nucl. Sci. Symp. and Medical Imaging conference, Seattle (WA), M4-2, October 24-30, 1999.
- [50] ECAT ACCEL Positron Emission Tomograph from CTI/Siemens
- [51] Cherry, S.R., et al.: MicroPET: A High Resolution PET Scanner for Imaging Small Animals. IEEE. Trans. Nucl. Sci., vol. 44(3):1161-1166, June 1997.
- [52] Wahl RH, Quint LE, Greenough RL, et al. Staging of mediastinal non small lung cancer with FDG-PET, CT and fusion images: preliminary prospective evaluation. Radiology 1994;191:371-377.
- [53] Shiepers C, Penninckx F, Devander N, et al. Contribution of PET in the diagnosis of recurrent colorectal cancer; comparison with conventional imaging. EUR J Surg Oncol 1995;21:217-522.
- [54] Hoh C.K, et al.: Whole-body PET with FDG: a potential complementary imaging technique to mammography for detection of primary recurrent and metatic breast cancer. Radiology 1993:A38-A44.
- [55] NCRP Report No. 100. Exposure of the U.S. Population from Diagnostic Medical Radiation, National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurement, 7910 Woodmont Ave / Bethesda, MD 20814.
- [56] National Vital Statistics Reports NCHS, Centers for disease control and prevention, National center for health statistics, vol. 48, number 11, page 26, July 24, 2000.
- [57] National Vital Statistics Reports NCHS, Centers for disease control and prevention, National center for health statistics, vol. 48, n. 18, page 2, February 7, 2001.
- [58] National Vital Statistics Reports NCHS, Centers for disease control and prevention, National center for health statistics, vol. 33, number 3, supplement page 18, June 22, 1984.
- [59] S. Conetti and D. Crosetto, "Implementing the Level-0 Trigger," IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sc. 43 170 (1996).
- [60] G. Corti, B. Cox, and D. Crosetto, "An Implementation of the L0 Muon Trigger Using the 3D-Flow system." LHCb 98-13.
- [61] <http://www.lhc01.cern.ch> (Large Hadron Collider Project at CERN, Geneva, Switzerland).
- [62] <http://www.rambus.com/developer/downloads/RAC.d.0064.01.111.pdf>. See  $t_{\text{CYCLE}} = 1,875$  ns at pages 56, and timing diagram on Figures 40, 41
- [63] Crosetto, D.: Digital Signal Processing in high energy physics. Lecture before the CERN School of Computing at Yesermonde, Belgium 2-15 September 1990. Publ. by CERN 91-05. 14 May 1991.
- [64] Crosetto, D.: Understanding a new idea for cancer screening. ISBN 0-9702897-1-5, Available at Amazon.com.
- [65] Cherry, S.R., et al.: A comparison of PET detector modules employing rectangular and round photomultiplier tubes. IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci. vol. 42(4):1064-1068 (August 1995).
- [66] Cutler, D., et al.: Use of a digital front-end electronics for optimization of a modular PET detector. IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci. vol. 13, No. 2, June 1994, pp. 408-418.
- [67] Seidel, J., et al.: Experimental Estimates of the Absolute Sensitivity of a Small Animal PET Scanner with Depth-of-Interaction Capability. IEEE Transaction Nulc. Sci. and Med. Imag., Conf. record, Lyon, France, October 2000. Article 777.
- [68] LHC-B Letter of Intent. A dedicated LHC Collider Beauty Experiment for Precision Measurements of CP-Violation. CERN.LHCC 95-5 LHCC/18 25 August, 1995, pp. 83-84.
- [69] LHCb Technical Proposal. A Large Hadron Collider Beauty Experiment for Precision Measurements of Cp-Violation and rare decay. CERN.LHCC 98-4 LHCC/P4 20 February 1998. pp. 102-104.