

Zyla sCMOS

Dynamically Image Cells with
Breakthrough Precision and Clarity

Key Specifications

- ✓ 4.2 or 5.5 megapixel sCMOS
- ✓ 82% peak QE (Zyla 4.2)
- ✓ 0.9 e⁻ read noise
- ✓ Up to 100 fps via Camera Link
- ✓ Rolling & True Global Shutter (Zyla 5.5)
- ✓ 33,000:1 dynamic range
- ✓ 12-bit and 16-bit modes

Key Applications

- ✓ Spinning disk confocal microscopy
- ✓ Cell motility studies
- ✓ TIRF microscopy
- ✓ Light sheet microscopy
- ✓ Physiology / Ion imaging
- ✓ Super-resolution microscopy
- ✓ Upgrade microscope performance

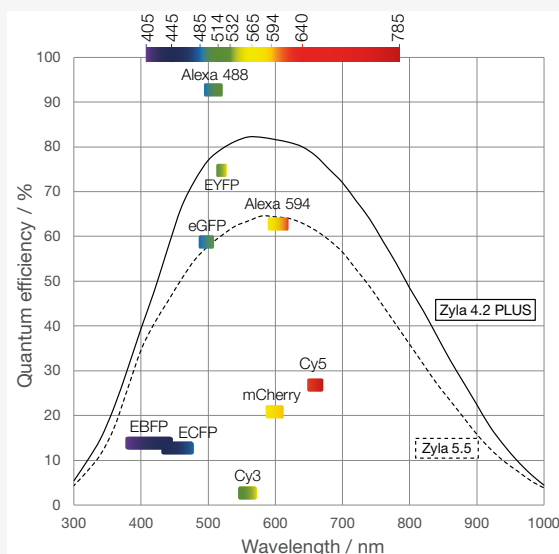


Key Innovations of Zyla 4.2 PLUS

1 QE Boosted to 82%

The latest-generation sCMOS sensor delivers a further 10% boost in QE, providing excellent broad coverage of the VIS/NIR region.

- ✓ Optimised for a broad range of fluorophores
- ✓ Reduced exposure times & faster frame rates
- ✓ Reduced phototoxicity / photobleaching
- ✓ Lower fluorophore concentrations – more accurate physiology



4 Application Modes

LightScan PLUS – Adapts the Rolling Shutter scan mode to applications such as Scanning LightSheet Microscopy and Line Scan Confocal

FCS Mode – Achieve up to 26,041 fps, ideal for Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy

2 Market Leading Speed

Superior data transfer efficiency and Zyla's 12-bit high speed mode combine to deliver an incredible 53 fps through super-convenient USB 3.0, coupled with market leading ROI frame rates.

With this capability, speed is on tap to allow you to follow faster dynamic processes with improved temporal resolution. Opt for the Camera Link version to access up to a blistering 100 fps (full resolution).

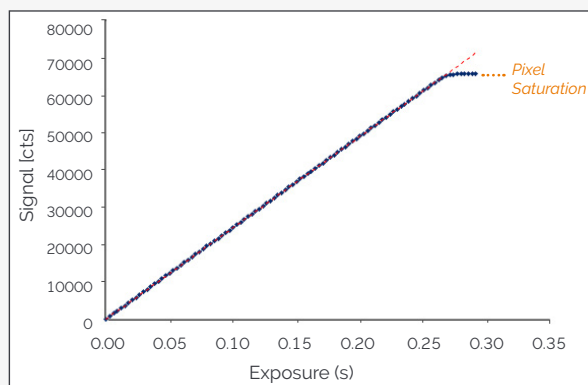
- ✓ Unique ROI processing capability – Faster ROI speeds
- ✓ 12-bit mode for fastest rates
- ✓ Follow faster temporal processes with a super-convenient USB 3.0 camera

Mode	Competing sCMOS USB 3.0	Zyla 4.2 PLUS USB 3.0
12-bit/ Full resolution	Not available	53 fps
16-bit/ Full resolution	40 fps	40 fps
12-bit/ 1024 x 1024	Not available	200 fps
16-bit/ 1024 x 1024	80 fps	160 fps

3 Market Leading Quantitative Linearity

Zyla 4.2 PLUS uses enhanced on-head intelligence to deliver market-leading linearity of > 99.8%, for unparalleled quantitative accuracy of measurement across the full dynamic range.

- ✓ Better than 99.8% linearity (>99.9% for low light range)
- ✓ Increased quantitative accuracy



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Features & Benefits

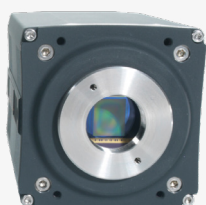


Andor's Zyla sCMOS camera platform offers high speed, high sensitivity and high resolution imaging performance. The remarkably light and compact, thermoelectrically-cooled design, integrates perfectly into both laboratory and OEM applications alike. Zyla is ideally suited to many experiments that push the boundaries of speed and sensitivity.

The unprecedented value and flexibility of the Zyla means it is also re-defining the concept of a 'workhorse' camera, rapidly displacing interline CCDs as the gold standard microscope detector.

Feature	Benefit
QE _{max} boosted to 82%	Highest available photon capture efficiency across visible/NIR, optimized for all common fluorophores. Shorter exposures, reduced phototoxicity, lower dye concentrations for more accurate physiology.
~ 1 e ⁻ Read Noise	Noise floor down to 0.9e ⁻ . Lower detection limit than any CCD.
Market leading USB 3.0 speed	Superb USB 3.0 data transfer efficiency and Zyla's unique 12-bit high speed mode deliver up to 53 fps full resolution. Follow dynamic processes with improved temporal resolution.
100 fps (Camera Link)	Zyla offers '10-tap' Camera Link for maximum sustained frame rates.
5.5 & 4.2 megapixel sensor formats and 6.5 µm pixels	Extremely sharp resolution over a 22 mm (Zyla 5.5) and 19 mm (Zyla 4.2 PLUS) diagonal field of view. Ideal for cell microscopy, astronomy and area scanning applications.
Rolling and Global shutter (Zyla 5.5)	Maximum exposure and readout flexibility across all applications. Global Shutter for 'interline CCD mode' freeze frame capture of fast moving/changing events.
Extended Dynamic Range	Unique 'dual gain amplifier' sensor architecture offering dynamic range of 33,000:1.
12-bit and 16-bit modes	12-bit Mode for smaller file size and absolute fastest frame rates through USB 3.0; 16-bit mode for full dynamic range.
Better than 99.8% linearity	Unparalleled quantitative measurement accuracy across the full dynamic range.
LightScan PLUS	Maximise fluorescence signal and confocality concurrently in applications such as Scanned Light Sheet Microscopy and Line Scanning Confocal Microscopy.
FCS Mode	Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy requires the fastest possible speed from a minimal height ROI. Zyla 4.2 PLUS outputs a sustained 26,041 fps from a 2048 (w) x 8 (h) ROI.
TE cooling to 0°C in up to 30 °C ambient	Ideal for OEM integration into enclosed systems.
Compact and Light	Ideal for integration into space restrictive set-ups. Ideal for OEM.
GPU Express	Simplify and optimize data transfers from camera to Graphical Processing Unit (GPU) card to facilitate accelerated GPU processing as part of the acquisition pipeline.
Hardware Timestamp	FPGA generated timestamp with 25ns accuracy.

Zyla 5.5



Zyla 5.5 is truly **unique** in **offering both Rolling and true Global shutter capability** in one sensor. Global shutter offers 'snapshot' imaging capability, whereby all pixels in the area are exposed simultaneously, and is directly analogous to that which is available in interline CCDs. True Global shutter is only available through the '5T' (5-transistor) sensor design exploited in the Zyla 5.5 offering greater application flexibility and is ideal for tight synchronization with microscope peripheral devices such as z-stage or switchable light source.

Please see page 6 for a further comparison of Rolling shutter and Global shutter modes.

Application Focus

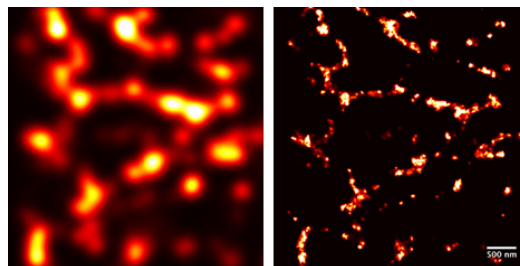
Zyla sCMOS has proven a superb camera choice for the biologist and microscopist. Many simply see the Zyla as an amazing value, superb price/performance 'workhorse' camera with which to replace their existing interline CCD and upgrade the performance of their fluorescence microscope. Others are driven by distinct application performance criteria that only sCMOS can answer.

Quality, Throughput, Performance, Accessibility...

- ✓ **High Sensitivity & Wide Dynamic Range** – quantify very weak and very bright structures with one image.
- ✓ **Superb Image Quality** – high resolution and uniform backgrounds for publication quality imaging.
- ✓ **Capture Everything** – the larger field of view matches that of modern microscopes. Achieve better statistics and higher throughput in high content experiments.
- ✓ **Blazingly Fast** – more and more studies of cell processes require greater temporal resolution.
- ✓ **GPU Express** – for real time processing.
- ✓ **Ease of use** – designed to get you up and imaging with minimal fuss.
- ✓ **Flexible** – fast or slow, big or small, weak or bright... Zyla is adaptable for all of your imaging challenges.

Physiology / Ion Imaging

The fast frame rate and excellent sensitivity of Zyla is ideally suited to the particular needs of ion signalling microscopy. Zyla 4.2 PLUS offers excellent photon collection while maintaining a very low noise floor which is important to achieving sensitivity at speed. Electrophysiology experiments may require a Global Shutter exposure to ensure accurate temporal correlation across the whole image. Zyla 5.5 with true global shutter mode is therefore recommended for these experiments.



Images courtesy of Christian Soeller and Isuru Jayasinghe, Biomedical Physics, University of Exeter. Ryanodine receptor clusters in a mouse cardiac myocyte.

Super-resolution Microscopy

The low vibration, high QE, low noise and speed capability of Zyla 4.2 PLUS (USB 3.0 and Camera Link) is well suited to the particular detection criteria of single molecule based 'STORM / PALM' approaches, and is used by some as an alternative to EMCCDs for this purpose. Note, this should be considered distinct from the general needs of single molecule microscopy, which are best served by back-illuminated EMCCD cameras (see Andor iXon EMCCD range). Capability to switch off interpolative filtering and provision of custom blemish maps. GPU Express for real time data processing.

Light Sheet Microscopy

Andor sCMOS cameras have been at the forefront of innovative Light Sheet Microscopy development and significantly the Zyla 4.2 PLUS is equipped with LightScan PLUS.

LightScan PLUS, ensures the user has additional control and flexibility over the functionality of the rolling shutter scan mode. LightScan PLUS allows the user to scan their scanning light source from the top to the bottom of the sensor, or vice versa, in one continuous sweep. In addition to this, and in direct response to user request, FlexiScan permits the independent adjustment of scan row height ('slit height') and line scan speed, allowing signal strength and confocality to be optimized concurrently. CycleMax, ensures the fastest frame rates can be achieved with no dead time and no need to reset the laser for each alternate frame. GPU Express allows for real time data processing.

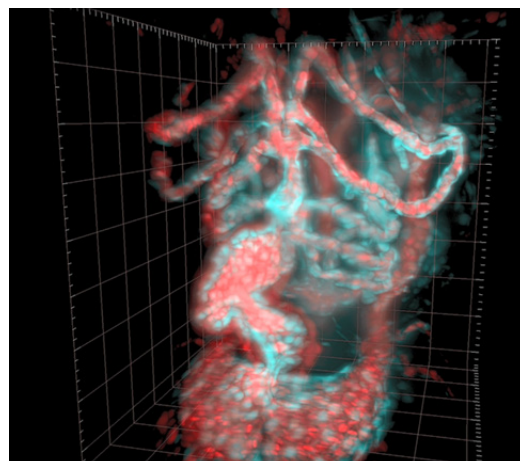


Image courtesy of Michael Weber, Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics, Dresden. The image is an extract from a time series of a three day old Zebrafish beating heart. Blood cells are labelled red and heart muscle cells and vasculature labelled in cyan.

Application Focus

Spinning Disk Confocal Microscopy

Often spinning disk solutions come equipped with two cameras technologies. Primarily, back-illuminated EMCCD cameras (see Andor iXon EMCCD range) with their superior sensitivity allowing for high quality imaging while preserving light intensity and label density at physiological levels, especially in conjunction with this particularly light-starved imaging modality. However, Zyla sCMOS is perfect for observations at large field of view of sample carrying relatively bright signals.

Cell Motility Studies

The motile cell is captured extremely well by the speed and resolution of the Zyla. Generally, the rolling shutter of Zyla 4.2 PLUS is suited, but care must be taken of distortive effects if the cell is moving particularly fast. For example, it has been noted that the Zyla 5.5 in global shutter mode was required to image motile sperm cells.

TIRF Microscopy

The Zyla's fine pixel resolution, great sensitivity, large field of view and fast imaging speed offers a superb choice of platform for following/tracking fast processes at the cell membrane. Multi-wavelength TIRF may benefit from Zyla 5.5 in global shutter.

Upgrade Microscope Performance

Zyla remains within the same price bracket as interline CCDs, yet offers remarkable performance improvements:

- ✓ 4x more pixels
- ✓ 5x more sensitive
- ✓ 10x more dynamic range
- ✓ 16x faster

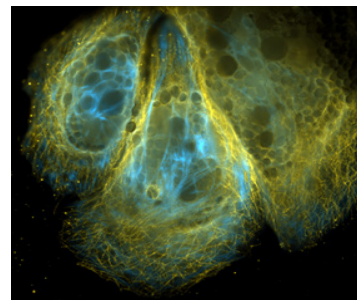
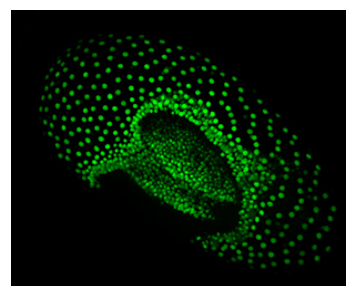
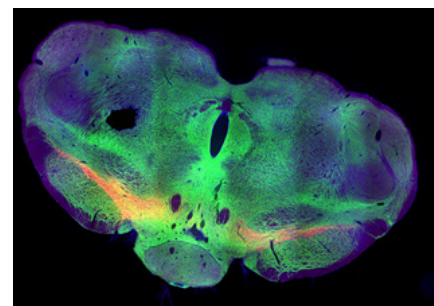


Image courtesy of Ulrike Engel, Nikon Imaging Center, Heidelberg. Embryonic muscle cells where actin starts to form contractile fibers (cyan). Microtubules are shown in yellow. Large unstained inclusions in the cytoplasm are yolk deposits.

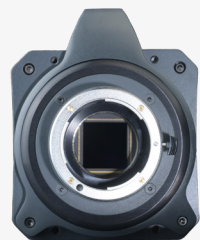


Folding embryo image courtesy of Jeremy Lynch, Department of Biological Sciences, University of Illinois, Chicago.



Mouse brain image courtesy of Simon C. Watkins and Victor Tapias, Center for Biologic Imaging, University of Pittsburgh.

Sona - The back-illuminated sCMOS microscopy camera you've been waiting for...



Sona 4.2B-11, Sona 2.0B-11 and Sona 4.2B-6 back-illuminated sCMOS models each feature up to 95% Quantum Efficiency and Andor's unique vacuum cooling to -45°C , thus minimising noise.

Andor's UltraVacTM vacuum protected sensor means no back-refilling and no QE sensitivity decay, preventing experiment downtime and increasing camera performance longevity over standard back-filled designs.

Sona features the very latest sensor technology and is great for a range of applications, such as [developmental biology](#), [organoids](#) or [gene editing](#). [Read more here](#).

Front cover image courtesy of Gopi Shah, Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics, Dresden. Light-sheet fluorescence microscopy imaging of Zebrafish embryo gastrulation from 4 to 18 hours post-fertilization, where each cell nucleus is labelled with GFP. Cells are color-coded for depth to visualize how dynamic cell reorganization gives rise to the body axis of zebrafish.

Rolling & Global Shutter

The Zyla 5.5 uniquely offers both **Rolling and true Global Shutter** exposure modes. This provides superior application and synchronization flexibility and through global exposure, to closely emulate the familiar 'Snapshot' exposure mechanism of interline CCDs.

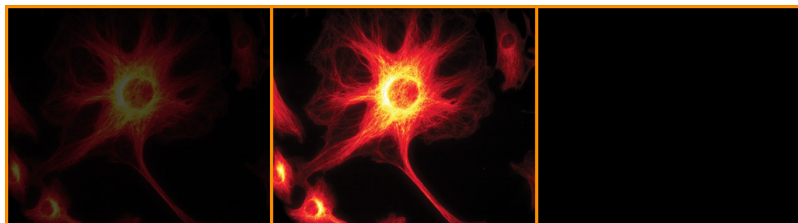
Rolling and true Global Shutter modes describe two distinct types of exposure and readout sequence.

In rolling shutter, available in Zyla 4.2 PLUS and Zyla 5.5, different lines of the array are exposed at different times as the read out 'wave' sweeps through the sensor. 10 ms is required at the start to 'activate' the sensor to expose, and then 10 ms is required at the end to readout the sensor. Use when not synchronizing to peripheral devices AND only when there is a minimal risk of spatial distortion from moving samples.

In true global shutter, available in Zyla 5.5, each pixel in the sensor begins

the exposure simultaneously and ends the exposure simultaneously. This provides a true 'Snapshot' exposure capability for moving samples that is both 'photon-efficient' and easy to synchronize to, especially useful for 3D / 4D microscopy. Zyla 4.2 PLUS, while utilising a rolling shutter sensor, offers a Simulated Global Exposure mechanism to overcome risk of spatial distortion. This mechanism is more elaborate and less photon/time efficient than true Global Shutter.

Global Shutter exposure and readout (single scan)

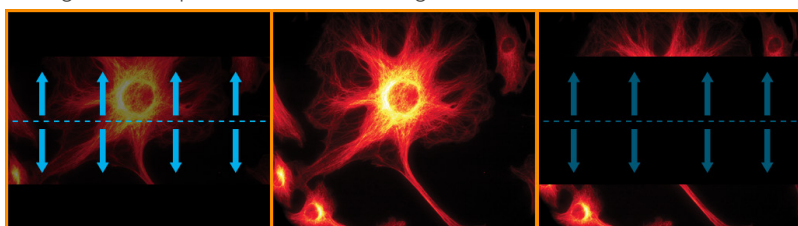


Exposure Start

Exposure

Exposure End

Rolling Shutter exposure and readout (single scan)



Exposure Start

Exposure

Readout

For further information of Rolling and Global Shutter, please access the following technical notes through the Andor Learning Centre: 1) Rolling and Global Shutter 2) Synchronizing to Rolling and Global Shutter sCMOS cameras

Key Benefits of True Global Exposure

Global exposure in particular is viewed as an important mode for the biologist, as its benefits are deeply synergistic with the core imaging requirements of live cell microscopy.

- ✓ NO Spatial Distortion – avoiding the spatial distortion risk of rolling exposure
- ✓ Recommended for 3D / 4D microscopy – Tight syncing to peripheral switching devices
- ✓ Higher Signal to Noise due to reduced dead time – the entire exposure cycle can be used
- ✓ Simplicity – all the benefits of an 'interline exposure mode'
- ✓ Continuous or Pulsed light sources
- ✓ Sub-microsecond inter-frame gaps in PIV applications

'Simulated' Global Exposure in Zyla 4.2 PLUS

[Click here](#) to read more about this mode and other Frequently Asked Questions on Rolling and Global Exposure modes.

LightScan PLUS for Zyla 4.2 PLUS

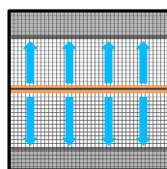
Key Benefits:

- ✓ Independent control of scan row height ('slit height') and line scan speed.
- ✓ Optimise signal to noise AND confocality concurrently
- ✓ Scan synchronization output for easy syncing to laser beam

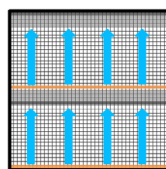
CycleMax

- ✓ Maximum frame rates with reduced dead-time, no need to reset scan laser for each alternate frame

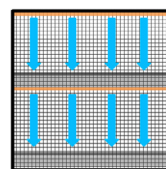
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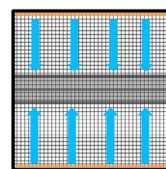
Center Out



Bottom Up

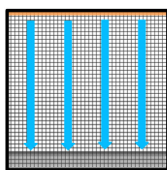


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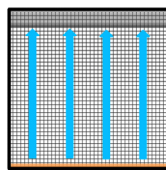


Outside In

Sequential Readout Direction Options



Top Down



Bottom Up

[Click here to read our solution note on Light Sheet Imaging](#)

sCMOS or EMCCD?

Since the introduction of sCMOS technology by Andor, the question of the performance comparison against the more established Electron Multiplying CCD (EMCCD) has been common.

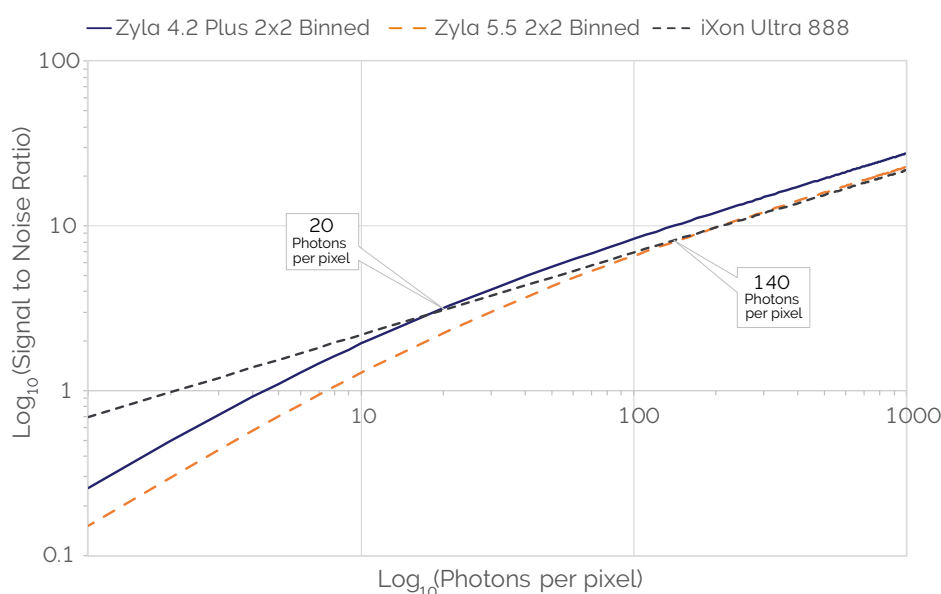
sCMOS offer a very fast, low noise technology, which holds potential as an alternative to single photon sensitive detectors across some applications and techniques, including super-resolution microscopy.

Whilst the read noise of sCMOS is very low compared to CCDs, EMCCD technology holds the distinct advantage of being able to practically eliminate read noise, rendering them single photon sensitive.

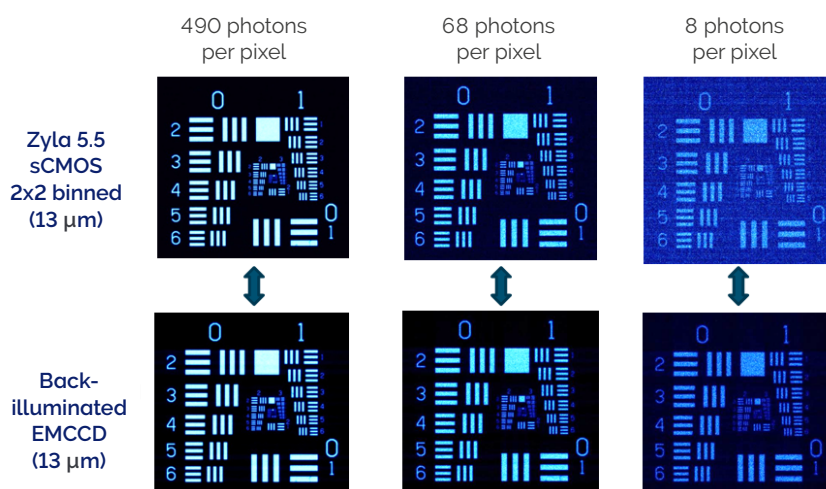
A decade on from the release of the first sCMOS detectors, there are still applications that benefit from the ultra-sensitive EMCCD technology.

For example single molecule experiments often operate at light levels below what can be detected by even the latest back-illuminated sCMOS cameras.

EMCCDs offer a raw sensitivity that cannot be surpassed in the very low light regime. However, EMCCDs remain relatively expensive, so they will always be considered a more selective, 'high-end' solution.



Plot of Signal to Noise Ratio versus Incident Photon Intensity, comparing back-illuminated EMCCD iXon 888 (13 μm pixel size) to 2x2 binned Zyla sCMOS cameras (13 μm pixel size after binning). Calculations were performed using our online [signal to noise calculator tool available here](#).



Images at a range of incident light intensity, acquired using back-illuminated EMCCD iXon 888 and Zyla 5.5 sCMOS cameras (2x2 binned pixels). At low light intensities, the Signal to Noise Ratio advantage of the EMCCD is apparent.

Technical Specifications

Model Specific Specifications^{*1}

Model	Zyla 5.5			Zyla 4.2 PLUS	
Sensor type	Front Illuminated Scientific CMOS			Front Illuminated Scientific CMOS	
Active pixels (W x H)	2560 x 2160 (5.5 Megapixel)			2048 x 2048 (4.2 Megapixel)	
Sensor size	16.6 x 14.0 mm 21.8 mm diagonal			13.3 x 13.3 mm 18.8 mm diagonal	
Pixel readout rate (MHz)	200 (100 MHz x 2 sensor halves) 560 (280 MHz x 2 sensor halves)			Slow Read 216 (108 MHz x 2 sensor halves) Fast Read 540 (270 MHz x 2 sensor halves)	
Read noise (e ⁻) Median [rms] ^{*2}	@ 200 MHz @ 560 MHz	Rolling Shutter 0.9 [1.2] 1.2 [1.6]	Global Shutter 2.3 [2.5] 2.4 [2.6]	@ 216 MHz @ 540 MHz	Rolling Shutter 0.90 [1.1] 1.10 [1.3]
Maximum Quantum Efficiency ^{*3}	64%			82%	
Sensor Operating Temperature Air cooled Water cooled	0°C (up to 30°C ambient) -10°C*			0°C (up to 27°C ambient) -10°C*	
Dark current, e ⁻ /pixel/sec @ min temp ^{*4} Air cooled Water cooled	0.10 0.019			0.10 0.019	
Readout modes	Rolling Shutter and True Global Shutter (Snapshot)			Rolling Shutter and Global Clear ^{*8}	
Maximum dynamic range	33,000:1			33,000:1	
Photon Response Non-Uniformity (PRNU) Half-light range Low light range	< 0.01% < 0.1%				
Pre-defined Region of Interest (ROI)	2048 x 2048, 1920 x 1080, 1392 x 1040, 512 x 512, 128 x 128			1920 x 1080, 1392 x 1040, 512 x 512, 128 x 128	
User defined ROI (granularity)	Yes (1 pixel) ^{**}				
Data range	12-bit (fastest USB 3.0 speeds) and 16-bit (maximum dynamic range)				
Interface options	USB 3.0 ^{*9} Camera Link 10-tap				

^{*} Cooling temperature must be above the dew point
^{**} Minimum ROI size: 4 x 8 (W x H) possible for 12- or 16-bit modes and for both Camera Link 10-tap and USB 3.0 models

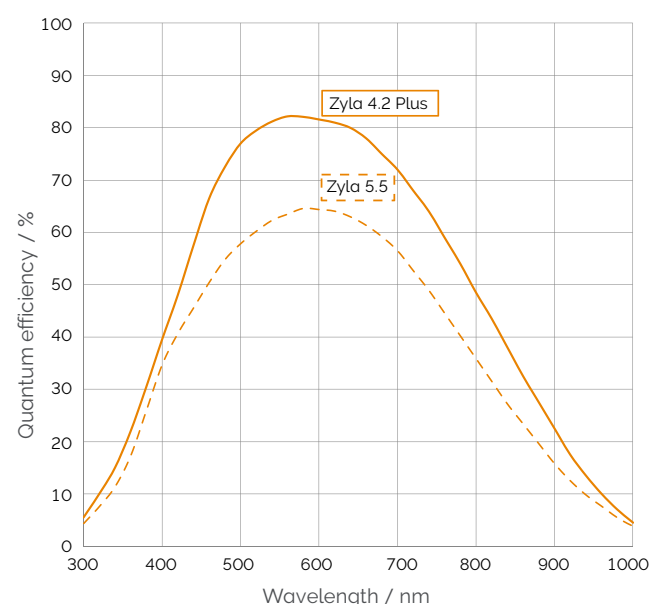
General Specifications^{*1}

Pixel size (W x H)	6.5 µm
Pixel well depth (e ⁻)	30,000
Linearity (% maximum) ^{*5} Full light range Low light range (< 1000 electrons signal)	Better than 99.8% Better than 99.9%
MTF (Nyquist @ 555 nm)	45%
Pixel binning	Hardware binning: 2 x 2, 3 x 3, 4 x 4, 8 x 8
Anti-blooming factor	x 10,000
I/O	External Trigger, Fire, Fire n, Fire All, Fire Any, Arm
Trigger Modes	Internal, External, External Start, External Exposure, Software Trigger
Software Exposure Events ^{*6}	Start exposure - End exposure (row 1), Start exposure - End exposure (row n)
Hardware timestamp accuracy	25 ns
Internal memory	1 GB

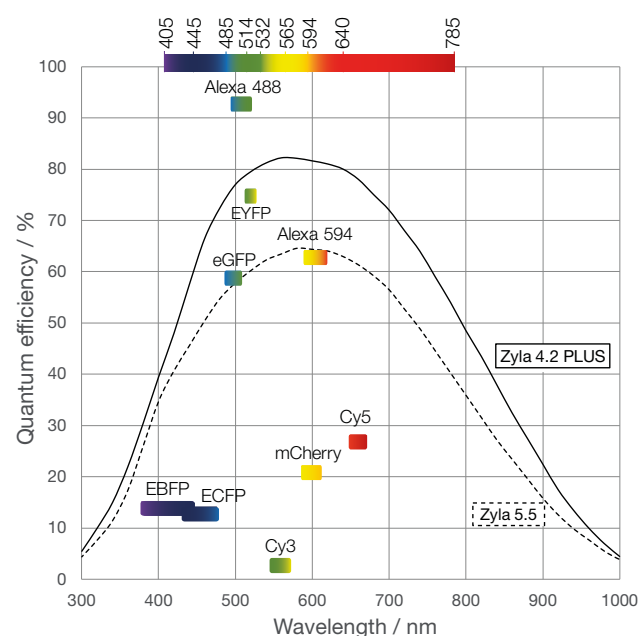
Frame Rate Table - 12-bit (16-Bit)¹⁷

Array Size	Zyla 5.5 USB 3.0		Zyla 5.5 10-tap		Zyla 4.2 PLUS 10-tap	Zyla 4.2 PLUS USB 3.0
	Rolling Shutter	Global Shutter	Rolling Shutter	Global Shutter	Rolling Shutter	Rolling Shutter
2560 x 2160	40 (30)	40 (30)	100 (75)	49 (49)	-	-
2048 x 2048	53 (40)	52 (39)	105 (98)	52 (52)	101 (101)	53 (40)
1920 x 1080	107 (80)	98 (80)	200 (200)	97 (97)	192 (192)	107 (80)
512 x 512	422 (422)	201 (201)	422 (422)	201 (201)	406 (406)	406 (406)
128 x 128	1691 (1691)	716 (716)	1691 (1691)	716 (716)	1627 (1627)	1627 (1627)
2048 x 8 (FCS mode)	13020 (10250)	4008 (4008)	27057 (27057)	4008 (4008)	26041 (26041)	13020 (10250)
1024 x 8 (FCS mode)	27057 (27057)	4008 (4008)	27057 (27057)	4008 (4008)	26041 (26041)	26041 (26041)

Quantum Efficiency (QE) Curve •³



QE vs. Fluorophore Emissions



GPU Express - Optimise Data Flow-Rates

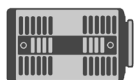


The Andor GPU Express library has been created to simplify and optimise data transfers from camera to a CUDA-enabled Nvidia Graphical Processing Unit (GPU) card to facilitate accelerated GPU processing as part of the acquisition pipeline. GPU Express integrates easily with SDK3 for Windows, providing a user-friendly but powerful solution for management of high bandwidth data flow challenges; ideal for data intensive applications such as Light Sheet Microscopy, Super-Resolution Microscopy and Adaptive Optics.

- ✓ Enhanced convenience, afforded by simple, optimised GPU data management
- ✓ Optimal data throughput
- ✓ Superb, easily accessible documentation and examples.

Creating The Optimum Product for You

Step 1. Select the camera type

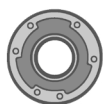


Camera Type

Description	Code
ZYLA 4.2 PLUS, 4.2 Megapixel, Rolling shutter, 100 fps, Camera Link 10-tap	ZYLA-4.2P-CL10
ZYLA 4.2 PLUS, 4.2 Megapixel, Rolling shutter, 53 fps, USB 3.0	ZYLA-4.2P-USB3
ZYLA 5.5, 5.5 Megapixel, Rolling and Global shutter, 100 fps, Camera Link 10-tap	ZYLA-5.5-CL10
ZYLA 5.5, 5.5 Megapixel, Rolling and Global shutter, 40 fps, USB 3.0	ZYLA-5.5-USB3

For water cooled option, add -W to your selected camera code

Step 2. Select the required accessories



Accessories

Description	Order Code
CS-mount adapter	ACC-MEC-05609
F-mount adapter	ACM-05574
Auto extension tubes (set of 3) for C-mount	OA-ECMT
Auto extension tubes (set of 3) for Nikon F	OA-ENAF
Re-circulator for enhanced cooling performance	XW-RECR
Oasis 160 Ultra compact chiller unit	ACC-XW-CHIL-160
5 meter cable for use with Axion frame grabber for Camera Link 10-tap models. (2 required)	ACC-ASE-13532
3 meter 7-way Multi I/O timing cable, offering Fire, External Trigger, Shutter and Arm.	ACC-ACZ-05612

Workstations are also available please enquire for more information. For further information on PC workstation requirements please refer to the technical note [PC Specifications for sCMOS Cameras](#)

Step 3. Select the required software



Software

The Zyla also requires at least one of the following software options:

Solis Imaging A 32-bit and fully 64-bit enabled application for Windows (8, 8.1 and 10) offering rich functionality for data acquisition and processing. AndorBasic provides macro language control of data acquisition, processing, display and export.

Andor SDK3 A software development kit that allows you to control Andor sCMOS cameras from your own application. Available as a 32 or 64-bit library for Windows (8, 8.1 and 10) and Linux. Compatible with C/C++, LabView and Matlab.

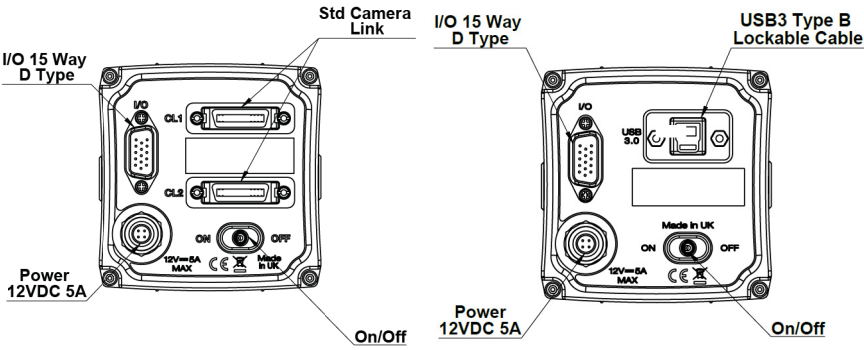
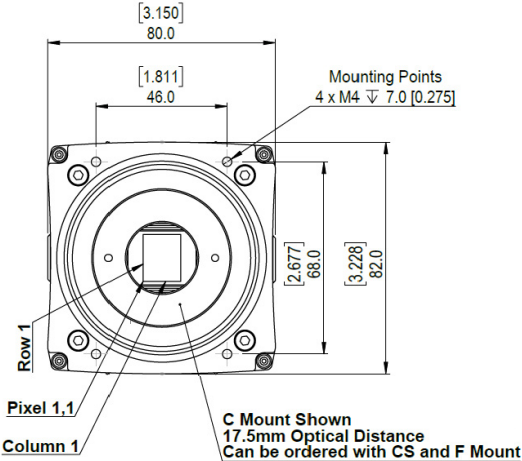
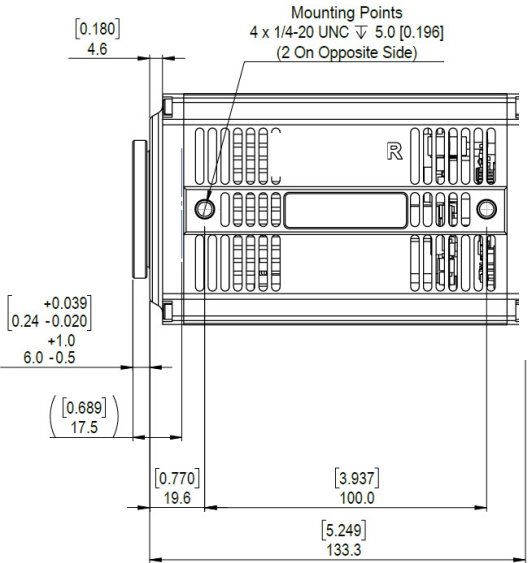
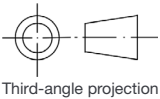
GPU Express Andor GPU Express library has been created to simplify and optimize data transfers from camera to a CUDA-enabled Nvidia Graphical Processing Unit (GPU) card to facilitate accelerated GPU processing as part of the acquisition pipeline. Integrates easily with Andor SDK3 for Windows.

Third Party Software

Drivers are available so that the Zyla can be operated through a wide range of third party imaging packages. [See Andor web site for camera software compatibility.](#)

Product Drawings

Dimensions in mm [inches]



Weight: 1,000 g [2 lbs 3 oz]

Product drawings of the water cooled Zyla can be found [here](#).

Connecting to the Zyla

Camera Control

Connector type: 3 meter Camera Link 10-tap connectors or USB 3.0. (Longer lengths available as accessories).

TTL / Logic

1 x 3-way Multi I/O timing cable, offering Fire, External Trigger and Arm (1.5 meter)

Regulatory Compliance

- RoHS compliant
- EU EMC Directive
- EU LV Directive
- IEC 61010-1 CB Scheme

External Power Supply Compliance

- UL-certified for Canada and US
- Japanese PSE Mark

POWER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS

- Power: +12 VDC \pm 5% @ 5A
- Ripple: 200 mV peak-peak 0 - 20 MHz
- 100 - 240 VAC 50/60 Hz external power supply
- Power Consumption: 12V @ 5A Max, 12V @ 2.5A Nominal

15-way D-type pinouts

1	ARM	Output
2	Aux_Out_1*	Output
3	FIRE row n	Output
4	FIRE row 1	Output
5	Aux_Out_2	Output
6	Ground	GND
7	External Trigger	Input
8	Spare Input	Input
9	Reserved	N/A
10	Reserved	N/A
11	Reserved	N/A
12	Reserved	N/A
13	Reserved	N/A
14	Reserved	N/A
15	Reserved	N/A

* Aux_Out_1 is configurable as Fire, Fire n, Fire All or Fire Any. Refer to the Zyla hardware manual.

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Items shipped with your camera

For Camera Link 10-Tap Models: 1 x Camera Link Card and 2 x 3 meter connector cables.
For USB 3.0 models: 1 x USB 3.0 PCIe Card and 1 x 3 meter USB 3.0 cable (Type A to B)
1 x Power supply with mains cable)
1 x 3-way Multi I/O timing cable, offering Fire, External Trigger and Arm (1.5 meter)
1 x Quick Start Guide
1 x User guide in electronic format
1 x Individual system performance sheet

Minimum Computer Requirements:

2.68 GHz Quad Core
4GB RAM (increase RAM if to be used for continuous data spooling)

Hard Drive:

Minimum 450 MB/s continuous write for USB 3.0 models

Minimum 850 MB/s continuous write for Camera Link

10-tap models

PCI Express x4 or greater for USB 3.0 models
PCI Express x8 or greater for Camera Link
Windows (8, 8.1 or 10) or Linux

Operating and Storage Conditions

- Operating Temperature:
 - Zyla 5.5: 0°C to 30°C ambient
 - Zyla 4.2: 0°C to 27°C ambient
- Relative Humidity: < 70% (non-condensing)
- Storage Temperature: -10°C to 50°C

Footnotes: Specifications are subject to change without notice

- Figures are typical unless otherwise stated.
- Readout noise is for the entire system and is taken as a median over the sensor area excluding any regions of blemishes. It is a combination of sensor readout noise and A/D noise.
- Quantum efficiency of the sensor at 20°C as supplied by the manufacturer.
- Dark current measurement is taken as a median over the sensor area excluding any regions of blemishes.
- Linearity is measured from a plot of Signal vs. Exposure Time, in accord with EMVA 1288 standard.
- Software Exposure Events provide rapid software notification (SDK only) of the start and end of acquisition, useful for tight synchronization to moving peripheral devices e.g. Z-stage.
- The maximum frames/s table for Zyla indicate the maximum speed at which the device can acquire images in a standard system at full frame and also a range of sub-array size, for both rolling and global shutter read modes (Zyla 5.5), 12-bit single amplifier (rates also apply to dual amplifier 16-bit for Zyla 4.2). Note that the write speed of the PC hard drive can impose a further restriction to achieving sustained kinetic series acquisition.
- 'Global Clear' is an optional keep clean mechanism that can be implemented in rolling shutter mode, which purges charge from all rows of the sensor simultaneously, at the exposure start. The exposure end is still rolling shutter. It can be used alongside the Fire All output of the camera and a pulsed light source to simulate Global Exposure mechanism, albeit less efficiently than the true Global Shutter exposure mode of Zyla 5.5. Furthermore Global Clear differs from true Global Shutter in that it can only be used in 'non-overlap' readout mode, i.e. sequential exposure and readout phases rather than simultaneous.
- Zyla USB 3.0 models should work with any modern USB 3.0 enabled PC/laptop (provided hard drives or RAM is sufficient to support data rates) as every USB 3.0 port should have its own host controller. Zyla USB 3.0 models also ship with a USB 3.0 PCI card as a means to add a USB 3.0 port to an older PC, or as a diagnostic aid to interoperability issues or to ensure maximum speed.



Power Requirements
Please refer to page 11

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