Marana sCMOS
Ultimate Sensitivity Back-illuminated sCMOS for Astronomy and Physical Sciences

Key Applications
- Space Debris Tracking
- Quantum Gases
- Near Earth Object Tracking
- Tomography
- Wavefront Sensing
- Spectroscopy
- Wafer Inspection
- Plasma Studies
- Hyperspectral Imaging
- Speckle Interferometry

Key Specifications
- High Resolution: 4.2 Megapixel
- High Sensitivity: Up to 95% QE
- Fast Speeds: Up to 74 fps
- Large Field of View: Up to 32 mm
- Deep Cooled: -45°C cooling
- Protected: UltraVac™ sensor enclosure
- Flexible: 11 µm & 6.5 µm pixel sensors
Introducing Marana

Marana is Andor’s new flagship high performance, vacuum cooled sCMOS camera platform, specifically for applications within physical sciences and astronomy. Designed from the ground up to deliver market leading performance and versatility. Crucially, Marana sCMOS reads out 4.2 Megapixel high resolution arrays in less than 50 milliseconds while maintaining very low read noise; hundreds of times faster than a similar resolution CCD detector.

The Most Sensitive Back-illuminated sCMOS

Marana 4.2B-11 and new Marana 4.2B-6 back-illuminated sCMOS cameras feature up to 95% Quantum Efficiency combined with Andor’s unique vacuum cooling to -45°C, minimizing noise. Since back-illuminated sensors are chosen specifically for enhanced sensitivity, it makes sense to choose the most sensitive adaption of this high end technology.

How do we benefit from enhanced sensitivity?

- Space debris & NEO – track smaller objects
- Detect smaller occultations
- Lower laser powers – preserve photosensitive samples
- Shorter exposures – follow fast events, e.g. pulsars and fast reactions
- Lower detection limits / trace concentrations
- Higher dynamic range photometry
- AO wavefront sensing on weaker signals
- Extremely narrowband filters (e.g. Solar)
- Fluorescence down to single ultra-cold atoms
# Features and Benefits

*From Quantum Gas Dynamics to Astronomical Occultations, Marana combines the sensitivity, speed, resolution and field of view to take on the most demanding of imaging or spectroscopic challenges.*

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<tr>
<td><strong>Up to 95% QE &amp; lowest noise</strong></td>
<td>Maximum signal to noise for light starved measurements. Detect smaller orbital debris; BEC fluorescence.</td>
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<td><strong>Vacuum cooled to -45°C</strong></td>
<td>Very weak signals require lowest noise floor and longer exposures: Don’t be restricted by camera thermal noise!</td>
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<td><strong>4.2 Megapixel</strong></td>
<td>High pixel resolution, maintaining image clarity over an extended field of view.</td>
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<td><strong>The ONLY vacuum back-illuminated sCMOS</strong>&lt;sup&gt;1&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>Andor’s proprietary UltraVac™ technology protects the sensor from (a) QE degradation, and (b) moisture condensation.</td>
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<td><strong>Extended Dynamic Range (EDR) Mode</strong></td>
<td>‘One snap quantification’ across the full dynamic range - perfect for Photometry.</td>
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<td><strong>&gt; 99.7% linearity</strong></td>
<td>Market leading quantitative accuracy over the whole signal range.</td>
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<td><strong>Fan and liquid cooling as standard</strong></td>
<td>Liquid cooling for maximum sensitivity.</td>
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<td><strong>Adaptive Optics Ready</strong></td>
<td>Minimize lag after data collection - transfer of row data immediately after exposing.</td>
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## Marana 4.2B-11 (11 μm pixels)

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<td><strong>Anti-Glow Technology</strong></td>
<td>Suppresses the effects of sensor amplifier glow, allowing access to the full 4.2 Megapixel array.</td>
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<td><strong>11 μm pixels and 32 mm sensor diagonal</strong></td>
<td>Largest field of view sCMOS, compatible with wide range of acquisition times. Large sky scanning; Tomography.</td>
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<td><strong>UV-optimized QE option</strong></td>
<td>Enhanced UV sensitivity between 260 - 400 nm. Wafer Inspection (266 nm).</td>
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## Marana 4.2B-6 (6.5 μm pixels)

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<td><strong>6.5 μm pixels</strong></td>
<td>Smaller pixels better suited to some optical systems, e.g. echelle astrospectroscopy and cold atom imaging.</td>
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<td><strong>USB 3.0 and CoaXPress connectivity options</strong></td>
<td>USB 3.0 provides flexibility. CoaXPress enables the highest speeds to capture the most dynamic events.</td>
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<td><strong>Low Noise Mode</strong></td>
<td>Further reduces read noise floor at expense of pixel well depth, while maintaining a fast frame rate. Ideal when highest possible sensitivity is a priority.</td>
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<td><strong>High Speed Mode</strong></td>
<td>Acquire images at high speeds of up to 74 fps in full frame 16-bit mode via CoaXPress! Boost speeds even further using regions of interest.</td>
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<td><strong>Superfast Spectroscopy Ready</strong></td>
<td>On-head vertical pixel binning, ideal for dynamic spectroscopy (up to &gt;25,000 spectra/sec).</td>
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The Marana sCMOS series

Marana 4.2B-11: Superior Field of View

The Marana 4.2B-11 is the detector of choice when field of view and sensitivity are required. Andor’s unique glow suppression approach enables you to usefully and uniquely access the entire 2048 x 2048 pixel array of the GSense 400 BSI sensor, offering an impressive 32 mm sensor diagonal.

Marana 4.2B-11 presents an exclusive solution for capturing a large field of view across a wide range of exposure conditions, from microseconds up to several seconds.

How do we benefit from a larger field of view?

- Search more sky – Space Debris and NEO tracking
- Capture Sun Spots & Solar Flares
- Tomography – reconstruct larger objects without sacrificing resolution
- Wafer inspection with high throughput (266 nm)

Marana 4.2B-11 - 2048 x 2048 (32 mm sensor diagonal)
**Marana 4.2B-6: Fastest Speed**

*Marana 4.2B-6* is the most sensitive back-illuminated camera available for imaging or spectroscopic applications requiring higher speed, reaching 74 fps with full 16-bit data range. Applications include quantum gas dynamics, fast high resolution spectroscopy, fast image stacking (for further extending dynamic range), hyperspectral imaging and non-destructive imaging of movement via X-ray or Neutron Radiography.

The smaller 6.5 μm pixel is better suited to resolution matching across many laboratory-based optical imaging configurations, as well as in echelle spectroscopy.

**Extend Dynamic Range - Fast Image Stacking**

Dynamic Range and Effective Well Depth as a function of the number of stacked (accumulated) frames, plotted for *Marana 4.2B-6*. A Dynamic Range of 188,280:1, and a corresponding Effective Well Depth of 1,650,000 electrons can be reached with only 30 stacked frames. At maximum frame rate, this number of accumulated frames takes only 0.4 secs to acquire, achieving > 2 fps. This capability is significant for a range of challenges across imaging and spectroscopic characterisations.
Key Features

Large Field of View
The 32 mm sensor diagonal of Marana 4.2B-11 covers more sky at high resolution in astronomical observations, improving statistics of detection and tracking.

Fast Sensor Readout
Taking only 13.5 milliseconds (4.2B-6) or 42 milliseconds (4.2B-11) per 16-bit full frame readout, Marana can measure photometric variability across a wide range of timescales, ideal for imaging rapid celestial changes and fast measurements of Quantum Gas dynamics.

Extended Dynamic Range
On-chip dual-amplifier design means the whole photometric range, from the noise floor up to the saturation limit, can be captured with one image. The wide dynamic range is complimented by enhanced on-head intelligence to deliver linearity > 99.7%, for unparalleled quantitative photometric accuracy across the full signal range.
Combine with fast image stacking (accumulation) to extend dynamic range even further.

Highly Sensitive
The back-illuminated sensors of Marana ensure a peak QE of 95%, with broad response across the UV-VIS-NIR range. The massively parallel readout architecture and innovative pixel design enables Marana to drive very low read noise performance, < 2 e-, while still achieving maximum readout speed and full dynamic range. Marana 4.2B-6 offers a further low noise mode to achieve 1.2 e- noise at reduced pixel well depth – ideal for fluorescent quantum gas measurements of low atom numbers.
Key Features

Vacuum Sensor Enclosure

sCMOS cameras from other manufacturers use O-ring sealed, back-filled sensor enclosures, susceptible to moisture ingress and routine factory maintenance. Andor is the only manufacturer of vacuum enclosed sCMOS cameras, based on our proven UltraVac™ process, offering superior cooling and ultimate sensor protection. Expect the vacuum to hold firm, year after year.

No Mechanical Shutter

Applications that involve frequent cycling of mechanical shutters, such as exoplanet studies or X-ray tomography, require routine shutter replacements and associated down time. Marana offers on-sensor Rolling Shutter, thus overcomes the need for mechanical shutters. Furthermore, this avoids the exposure gradient effects associated with that of an iris shutter, thus much better for accurate photometry.

Low Maintenance Astronomy

The vacuum enclosure and shutter-free longevity benefits of Marana are particularly relevant to the needs of astronomers, where cameras are often in remote unmanned observing locations and need to operate without service intervention, over long durations of time. This ultimately translates not only into greater experimental efficiency, but also into a lower cost of ownership.

Pixel Size Options

The 11 μm or 6.5 μm pixel sizes of the available Marana models offer a solution to more closely resolution match the camera to the specific optical configuration. Pixel binning offers further usage flexibility.
Application Focus

Solar System Objects

A Near-Earth Object (NEO) is any small Solar System body whose orbit brings it into proximity with Earth. Over 20,000 known Near Earth Asteroids have been discovered, of which almost 1000 are larger than 1 km. The inventory is much less complete for smaller objects, which still have potential for large scale damage. While asteroids are constantly being eliminated from our solar system, unfortunately new ones are pulled into orbit. Thus, NEO surveys are required as an ongoing discipline in astronomy. The large field of view, very high sensitivity and fast readout of Marana 4.2B-11 is ideal for enhancing statistics of object detection, either directly visualised or by occultation.

Hyperspectral

Marana is ideal for fast, high dynamic range spectral imaging, either: (a) hyperspectral configurations (push-broom or otherwise), enabling full data cubes to be rapidly acquired, or (b) high density multi-track spectroscopy at fast spectral rates and/or very high dynamic range through image stacking. For example, Marana 4.2B-6 can acquire 10 spectral tracks at almost 1500 fps, and can acquire a single spectrum at up to 25,000 fps.

X-Ray or Neutron Tomography

For high throughput 3D tomography (or even 4D: 3D + time), the high resolution Marana 4.2B-11 or Marana 4.2-6 back-illuminated sCMOS models, featuring low noise, fast readout and 95% QE, present a superb solution. Lens/scintillator coupled tomography using Marana enables reconstruction of large objects without sacrificing resolution and clarity. Lack of mechanical shutter means shutter lifetime is not an issue, reducing downtime.
Application Focus

Quantum Gases

Marana 4.2B-11 or Marana 4.2B-6 can be readily integrated into optical systems for imaging ultracold quantum gases, such as Bose Einstein Condensates. The rapid frame rates of Marana 4.2B-6 is ideal for fast, continuous (not burst) dynamic studies, market-leading sensitivity enabling high SNR capture of even small numbers of trapped atoms.

Resolution Enhancement

Lucky/Speckle Imaging - Marana models can be used for the ‘Atmospheric Freezing’ techniques of Lucky and Speckle Imaging, enabling resolution enhancement of ground-based astronomy over a large field of view. The 74 fps (full array) with 100% duty cycle of Marana 4.2B-6 means that enhanced resolution images can be generated within a few seconds of acquisition.

Wavefront Sensing – Marana 4.2B-6 is an ideal fast wavefront sensor for Adaptive Optics. A 128x128 ROI yields 1165 fps, and individual pixel rows can be transmitted immediately after recording for on-the-fly image processing with minimal time lag.

Orbital Debris

Orbital Debris, or Space Debris, are terms for the mass of defunct human-made objects in Earth orbit, such as old satellites and spent rocket stages. There are about 500,000 pieces of ‘space junk’ down to items about 0.5 inches (1.27 cm) wide in orbit. Of those, about 21,000 objects are larger than 4 inches (10.1 cm) in diameter. Marana 4.2B-11 offers a very large area and is a superb detector solution for ground based Orbital Debris tracking, capable of searching more sky while maintaining high resolving capability. Low noise enables high-quality data capture of even relatively small (and dim) objects, and rapid frame rates enable temporal oversampling of fast moving/rotating objects.
Different Modes for Marana

### Multi-track Mode

Up to 256 vertically binned tracks can be used for multi-track analysis without sacrificing speed.

### Imaging Mode 4.2B-11

Frame rate table

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<th>ROI Size (W x H)</th>
<th>Max Frame Rate (fps)</th>
<th>ROI area (of sensor)</th>
<th>Example scenarios of use</th>
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<tr>
<td>2048x2048</td>
<td>24 48</td>
<td>22.5 mm x 22.5 mm</td>
<td>Full FOV imaging, Space debris, NEOs, Hyperspectral</td>
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<tr>
<td>2048 x 1200</td>
<td>41 81</td>
<td>22.5 mm x 13.2 mm</td>
<td>High density multitrack on Kymera/Shamrock</td>
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<td>1608x1608</td>
<td>30 61</td>
<td>17.7 mm x 17.7 mm</td>
<td>Reduced ROI, faster frame rates</td>
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<td>1400x1400</td>
<td>35 70</td>
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<td>1200x1200</td>
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<td>2048x1</td>
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<td>22.5 mm x 11 µm</td>
<td>Single track spectroscopy with ultrafast rates</td>
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### Spectroscopy Mode

A vertically binned track is centred on the sensor enabling the maximum spectral rate to capture dynamic events.

### Multi-track Mode 4.2B-11

Vertically binned tracks (overlap ON)

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### Imaging Mode 4.2B-6

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Note: Frame/spectral rates do not differ if partial or full rows are selected. For Marana 4.2B-6 for frame rates using USB 3.0 for Multi-track and Spectroscopy modes please see our technical note: Marana Frame Rates, which is available in our Learning Center.
## General Specifications

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### Sensor Type
- Back-Illuminated Scientific CMOS

### Array Size
- 2048 (W) x 2048 (H)
- 4.2 Megapixel

### Pixel Size
- 11 x 11 μm (Marana 4.2B-11)
- 6.5 x 6.5 μm (Marana 4.2B-6)

### Image Area
- 22.5 mm x 22.5 mm (Marana 4.2B-11)
- 13.3 mm x 13.3 mm (Marana 4.2B-6)
- (31.9 mm diagonal)
- (18.8 mm diagonal)

### Readout Modes
- Rolling Shutter

### Pixel Readout Rates
- 100 MHz (High Dynamic Range mode, 16-bit)
- 200 MHz (Fast Speed mode, 12-bit)
- 310 MHz (Fast High Dynamic Range mode, 16-bit)
- 180 MHz (Low Noise mode, 12-bit)

### Quantum Efficiency
- up to 95%

### Read Noise (e-)
- 1.6 e- (at any readout rate)
- 1.2 e- (Low Noise mode, 12-bit)

### Sensor operating temperature
- Air cooled
- Water/liquid cooled
- -25°C (up to 30°C ambient)
- -45°C (@16°C water)

### Dark Current
- Air cooled (@-25°C)
- Water/liquid cooled (@ -45°C)
- 0.7 e/pixel/s
- 0.3 e/pixel/s
- 0.15 e/pixel/s
- 0.10 e/pixel/s

### Active area pixel well depth
- 85 000 e- (High Dynamic Range mode, 16-bit)
- 2600 e- (Fast Speed mode, 12-bit, bit depth limited)
- 55 000 e- (Fast High Dynamic Range mode, 16-bit)
- 1800 e- (Low Noise mode, 12-bit, bit depth limited)

### Dynamic Range
- 53 000:1 (High Dynamic Range mode, 16-bit)
- 34 000:1 (Fast High Dynamic Range mode, 16-bit)
- 16-bit (Fast Speed mode)
- 12-bit (Low Noise mode)

### Data Range
- 16-bit (High Dynamic Range mode)
- 12-bit (Fast Speed mode)

### Linearity
- > 99.7%

### PRNU
- < 0.5% (@ half-light range)

### Region of Interest (ROI)
- User-definable, 1 pixel granularity, min. size 25 (w) x 1 (h)
- User-definable, 1 pixel granularity, min. size 9 (w) x 1 (h)

### Pre-defined ROI
- 1608 x 1608, 1200 x 1200, 1024 x 1024, 512 x 512, 128 x 128

### Pixel Binning (on FPGA)
- 2 x 2, 3 x 3, 4 x 4, 8 x 8 (user-definable binning also available)

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## Technical Data

### Model
| I/O | Fire Row 1, Fire Row n, Fire All, Fire Any, Arm |
| Trigger Modes | Internal, External, External Start, External Exposure, Software |
| Software Exposure Events | Start exposure - End exposure (row 1), Start exposure - End exposure (row n) |
| Image Timestamp Accuracy | 25 ns |
| PC Interface | USB 3.0a |
| Camera Window | AR coated UV grade fused silica window |
| Lens Mount | F-mount* |

* Optional user-switchable C-Mount accessory available for use with smaller ROI sizes.
Quantum Efficiency

All cameras in the Marana platform feature back-illuminated sensor architecture which allows collection of light from the sample without circuitry blocking the photosensitive area of the detector.

UV Flexibility with Marana 4.2B-11

Marana 4.2B-11 comes with two sensor options, ‘BV’ and ‘BU’. Each offer a particular performance profile across the Blue/UV region, with the ‘BU’ sensor in particular showing greater optimization across this range, offering high QE solutions for both 266 nm and 355 nm laser lines.

Flexible Connectivity

1. **USB 3.0**
   A convenient, universally available high speed interface.

2. **TTL / Logic**
   Connector type: 15-way D-type to BNC cable with Fire (Output), External Trigger (Input), Shutter (Output).

3. **CoaXPress (Marana 4.2B-6 only)**
   CoaXPress (2 lane) offers the highest speed data interface.

Water Cooling

Connection to recirculator or other water/liquid cooling system is possible for maximum sensitivity.

Power

Connection to PSU refer to power requirements on page 16.

Notes: Minimum cable clearance required at rear of camera: 100 mm.

Marana 4.2B-6 Purchase Flexibility

Don’t want to commit to CoaXPress connectivity from the outset? If preferred, order the less expensive USB 3.0-only version and later avail of a simple in-field upgrade to CoaXPress capability, using the CHAM-UPG-CXP code, if and when additional speed is needed. The upgrade includes CoaXPress card, cable and remote session to upgrade camera firmware and unlock CoaXPress capability. Please contact your sales representative for more information.
Creating the Optimum Product for you

Step 1. Choose the camera type

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* Optional user-switchable C-Mount accessory available for use with smaller ROI sizes.

Step 2. Select an alternative camera window (optional)

The standard window has been selected to satisfy most applications. However, other options are available. The alternative camera window code must be specified at time of ordering.

To view and select other window options please refer to the table in the Technical Note – ‘Camera Windows Supplementary Specification Sheet’ which gives the transmission characteristics, product codes and procedure for entering the order.

Further detailed information on the windows can be found in the Technical note – ‘Camera Windows: Optimizing for Different Spectral Regions’.

Step 3. Select the required accessories

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Note: Other mounting options are available through our CSR process - please contact your sales representative.

Step 4. Select the required software

Marana requires 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-bit 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 compatibility** Drivers are available for a variety of third party imaging packages. See Andor website for detail: [https://andor.oxinst.com/learning/view/article/third-party-imaging-software-support](https://andor.oxinst.com/learning/view/article/third-party-imaging-software-support)
Note: Operational CoaXPress connection only available with MARANA-4BV6X

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1x USB 3.0 Cable (3 m)
1x Multi I/O Timing Cable (BNC to D-type: 1.5 m)
1x 15 V PSU
1x Country specific power cord
1x User manuals in electronic format
1x Quickstart Guide
1x Individual system performance booklet
Marana 4.2B-6 with CoaXPress also includes:
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1x CoaXPress Cable (3 m)
1x Multi I/O Timing Cable (BNC to SMB: 1.5 m)

Footnotes
1. Assembled in a state-of-the-art facility, Andor’s UltraVac™ vacuum process combines a permanent hermetic vacuum seal (no O-rings), with a stringent protocol and proprietary materials to minimize outgassing. Outgassing is the release of trapped gases that would otherwise degrade cooling performance and potentially cause sensor failure.
2. Figures are typical and target specifications and therefore subject to change.
3. Quantum efficiency as supplied by the sensor manufacturer.
4. Coolant temperature must be above dew point.
5. Read noise measured at 0°C (Marana 4.2B-6) and 15°C (Marana 4.2B-11).
6. Linearity is measured from a plot of Signal vs. Exposure Time over the full dynamic range.
7. Software Exposure Events provide rapid software notification (SDK only) of the start and end of acquisition.
8. Marana connects to your control PC using a USB 3.0 connection. This may also be referred to as USB 3.1 (Gen 1). Andor provide a USB 3.0 card and cable, and recommend that these are used to ensure optimum performance.

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