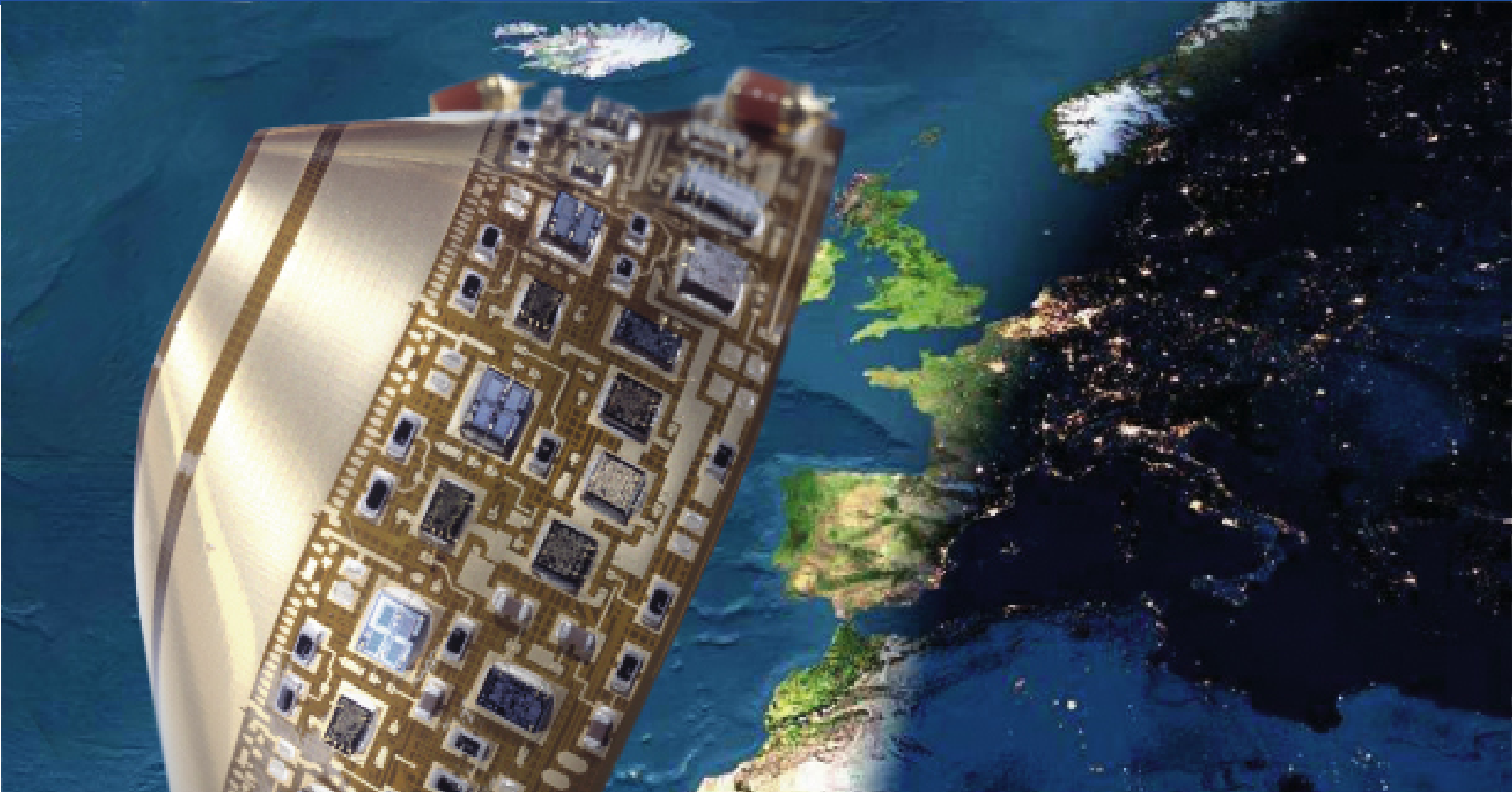


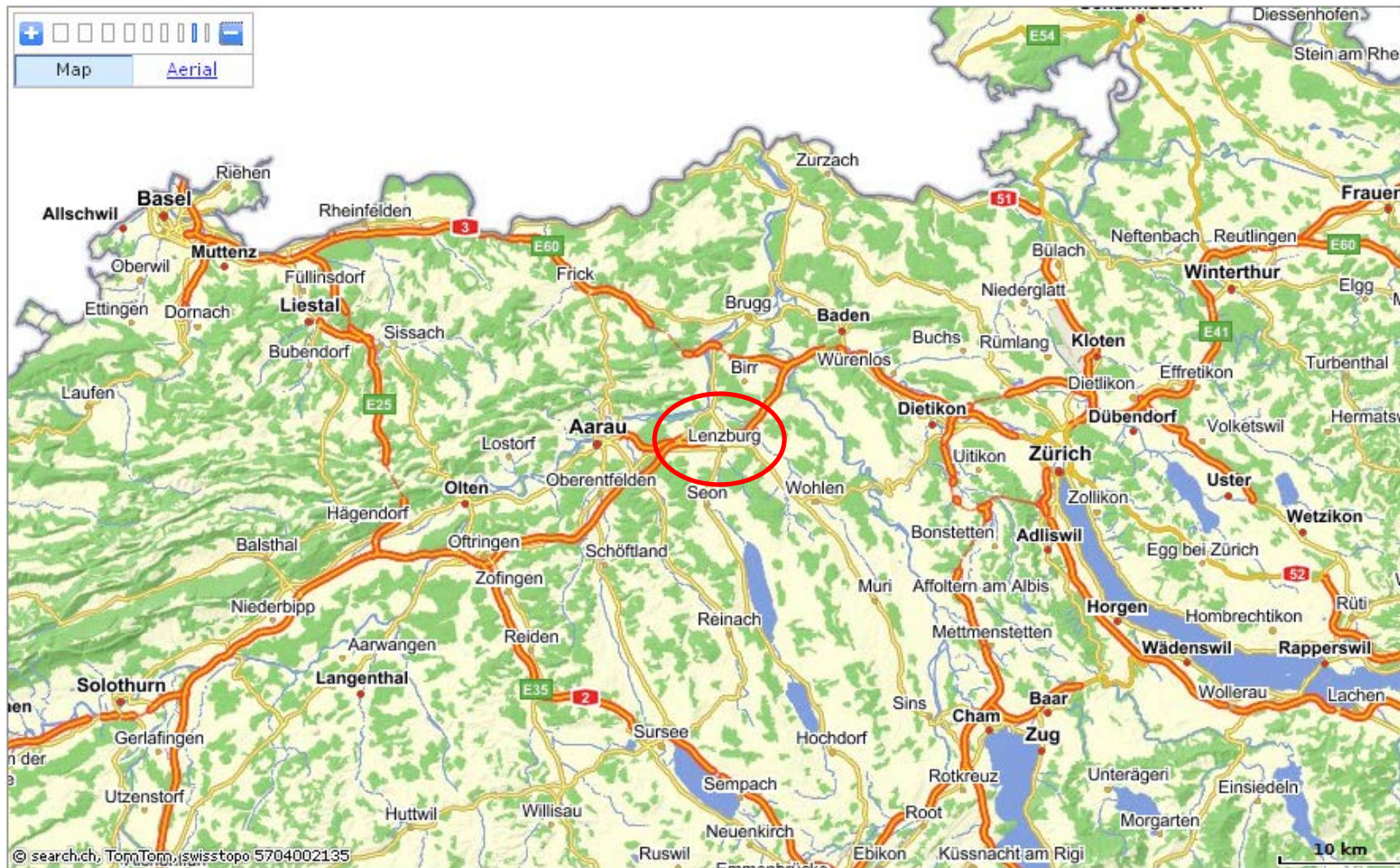
Low mass hybrid technology



History

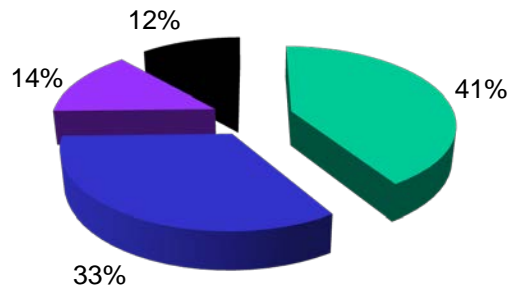
- 2011 HiCoFlex[®] serial production on 24" glass panels
- 2010 First prototypes on 24" glass panels
- 2008 Strategic decision for a 24" production line
- 1998 Thin film production (HiCoFlex[®]) on 6" glass panels
- 1992 Foundation of Hightec MC AG
- 1991 Merging of Thin Film Division Lenzburg and Oerlikon Contraves
Thin Film Division Zurich
- 1989 Sell-off Thin Film Division Lenzburg to Oerlikon Contraves
- 1979 Thin film production on 4" ceramic panels by BBC (today ABB)
Thin Film Division Lenzburg

Location

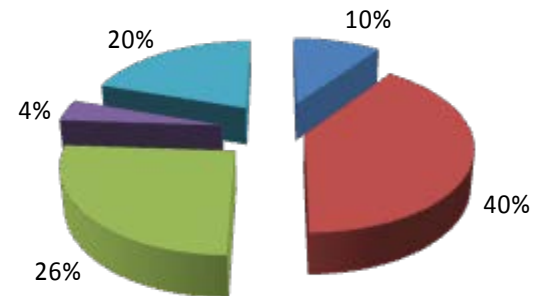


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Facts

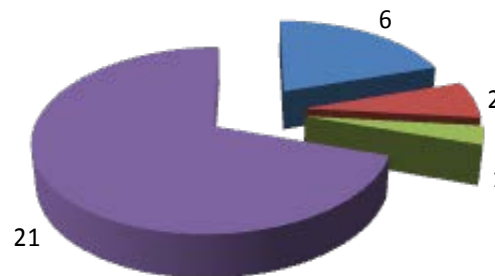
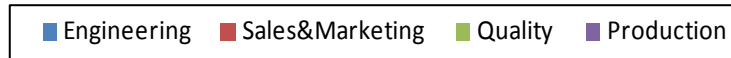


Sales by region



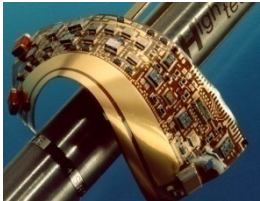
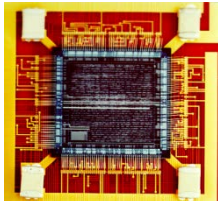
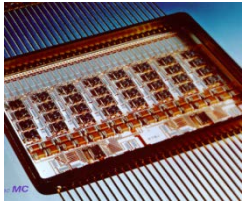

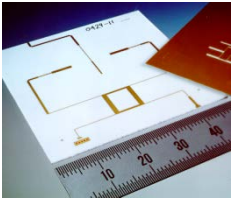
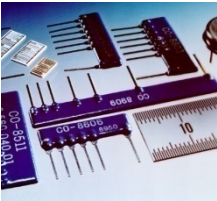
Sales: CHF 7.4 Mio

Sales by application



Employees: 30

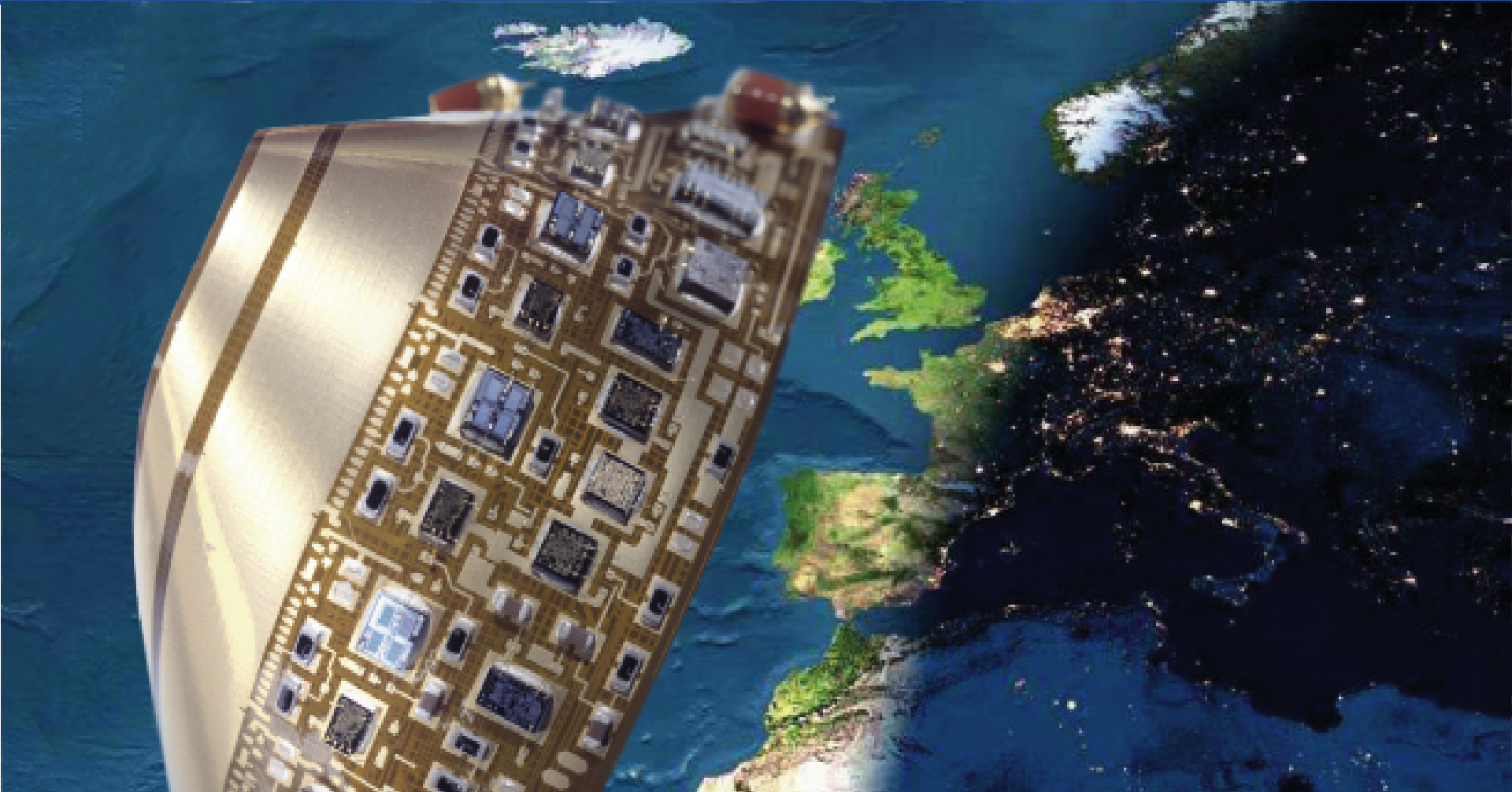
Typical Products

HiCoFlex®	MCM-D	Hybrids	Sensors	Structured Substrates	Resistor Networks
					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highest density multilayer flex • High density flex cables • Integrated electronic inter-connections • CSP • 3D packaging 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multilayer up to 5 layers • SMD • Integrated high-precision thin film resistors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated high-precision thin film resistors • Mounting of controller dices • MIL STD 883 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thin film sensors • Optoelectronic devices • Customised sensor housing • Integrated passive components available 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microwave circuits • Submounts for optoelectronic devices • Pitch adapters • Interposers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DIL, SIL, SMD • Tolerance: 0.05% • Lowest temperature drift • harsh environment proved

Our Identity

- All products are custom-made
- Full range of services from a single source
 - Developing, Micromachining and Assembling
 - Feasibility Studies, Design, Prototyping, Manufacturing, Testing
- HiCoFlex[®]: High Connectivity Flex
 - Multilayer flex foils
 - Down to 20 μm layer flex foils thickness available
 - Up to 24" production panel size

HiCoFlex®



The HiCoFlex[®] Process: Carrier

Ceramics, glass or metal

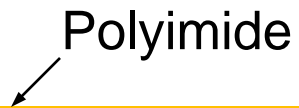
The HiCoFlex[®] Process: Separation Layer

Separation layer

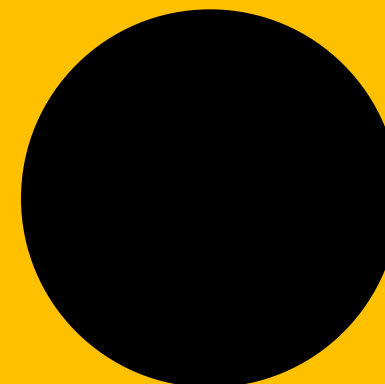
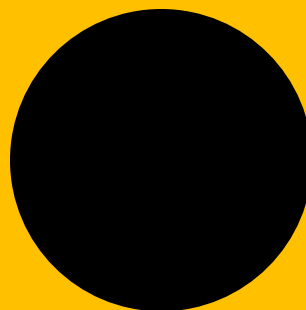
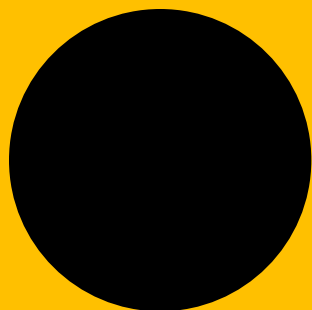


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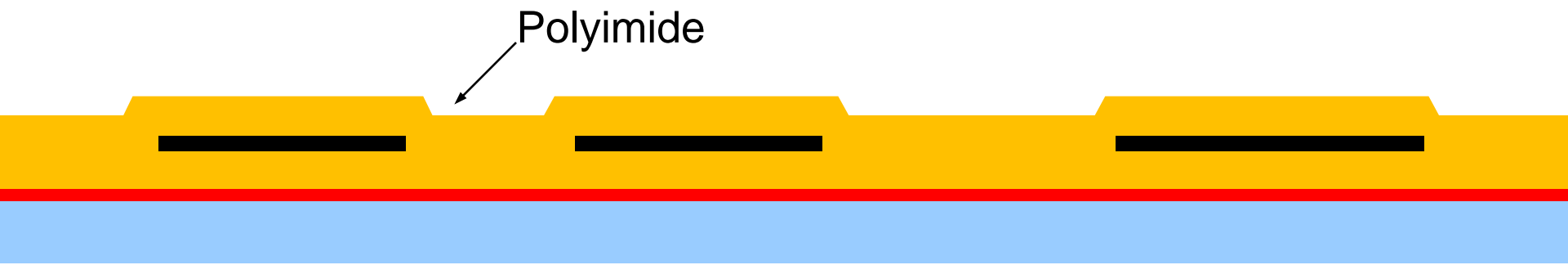
Polyimide



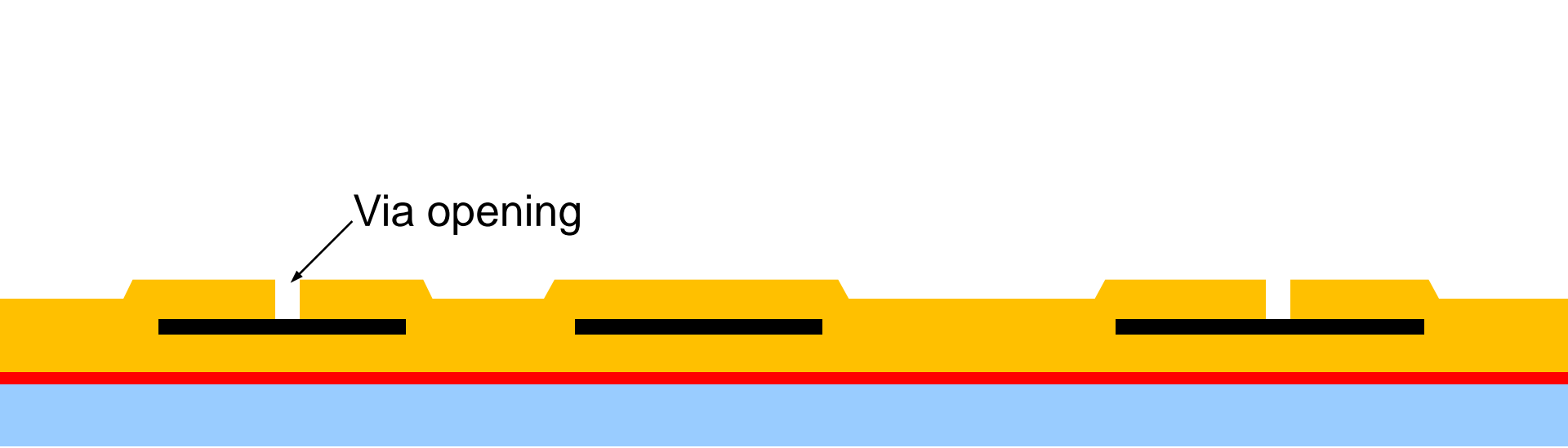
The HiCoFlex[®] Process: 1st Metal after Structuring



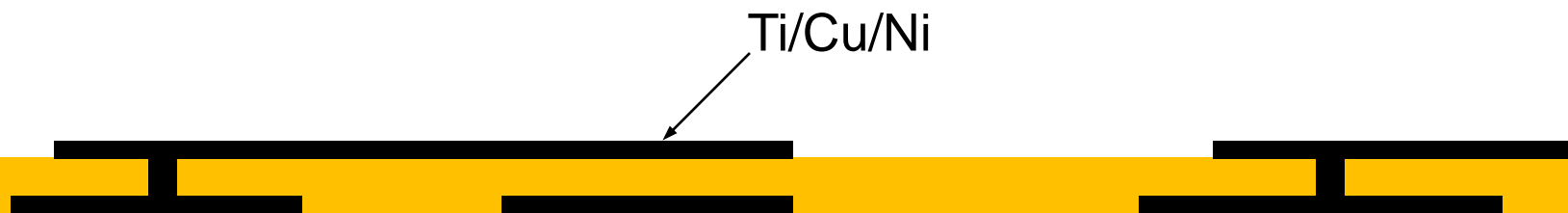
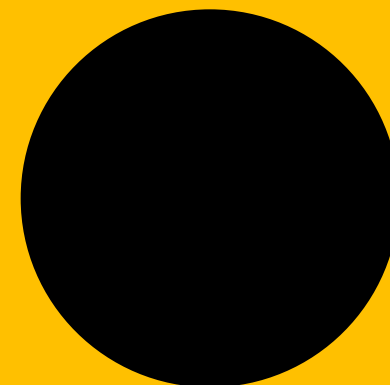
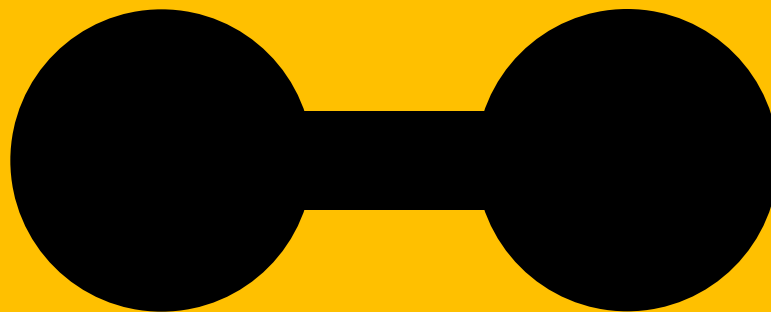
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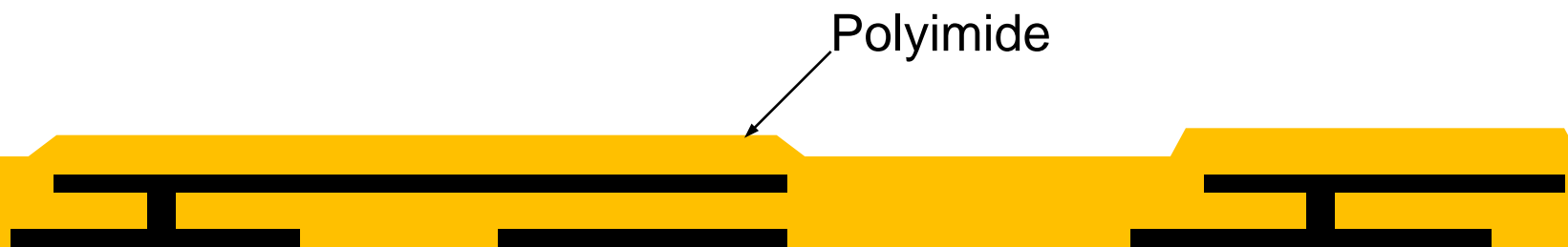
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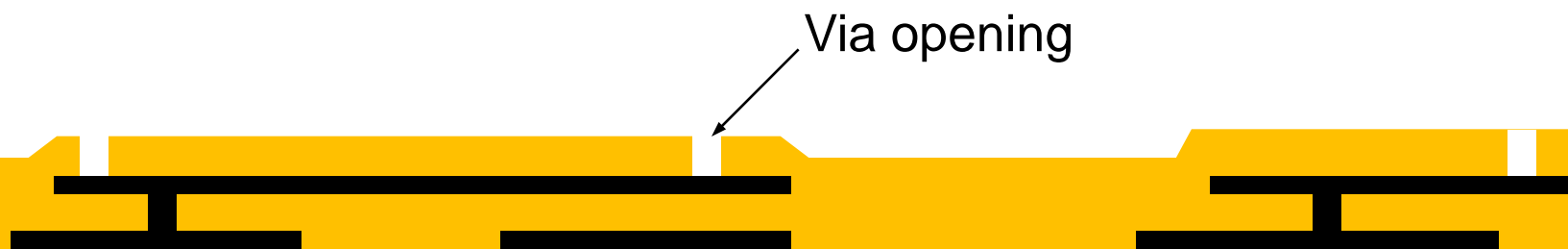
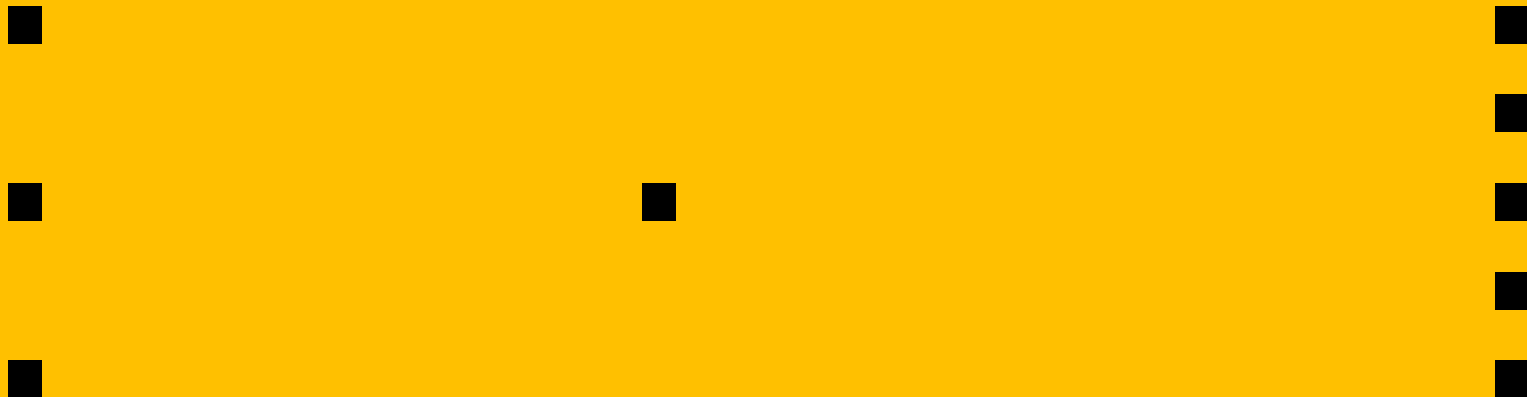
The HiCoFlex[®] Process: 2nd Metal after Structuring



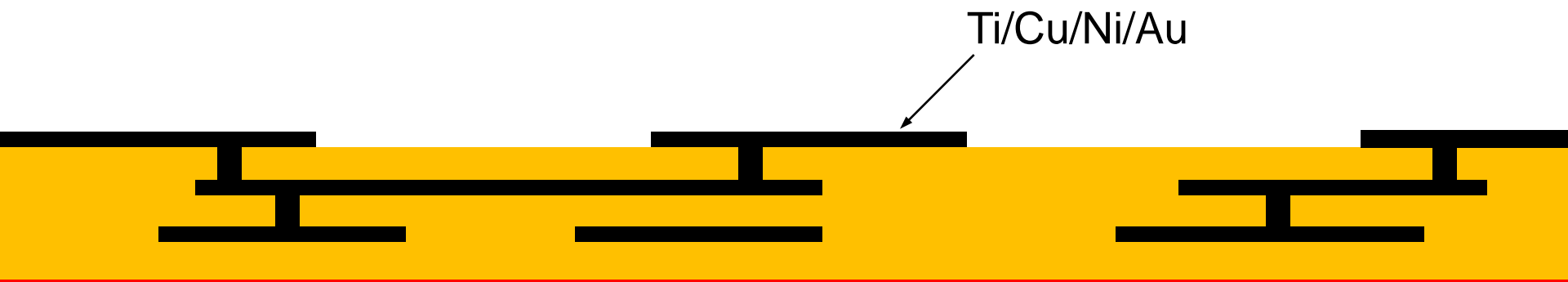
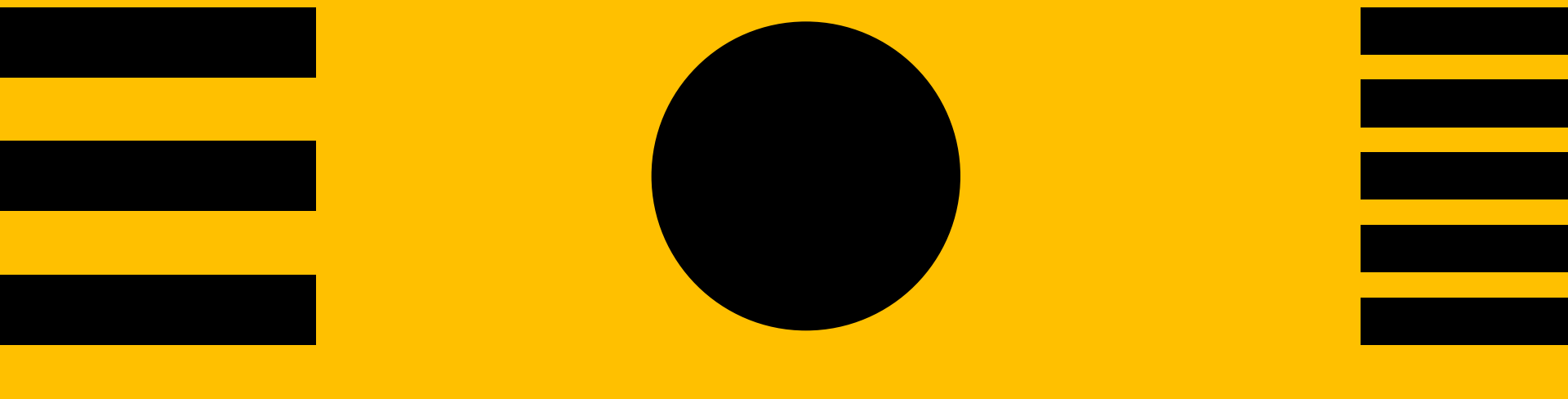
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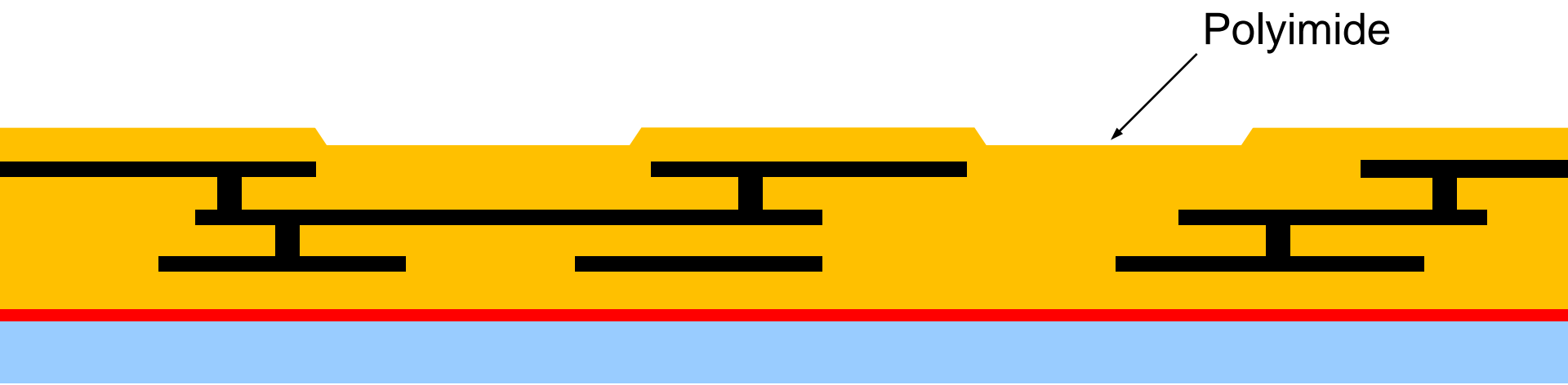
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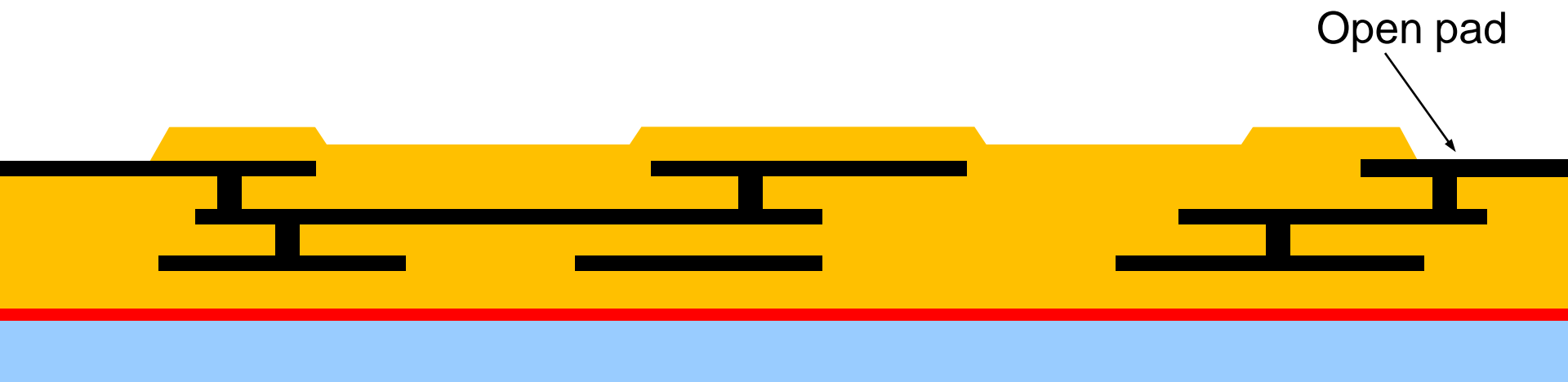
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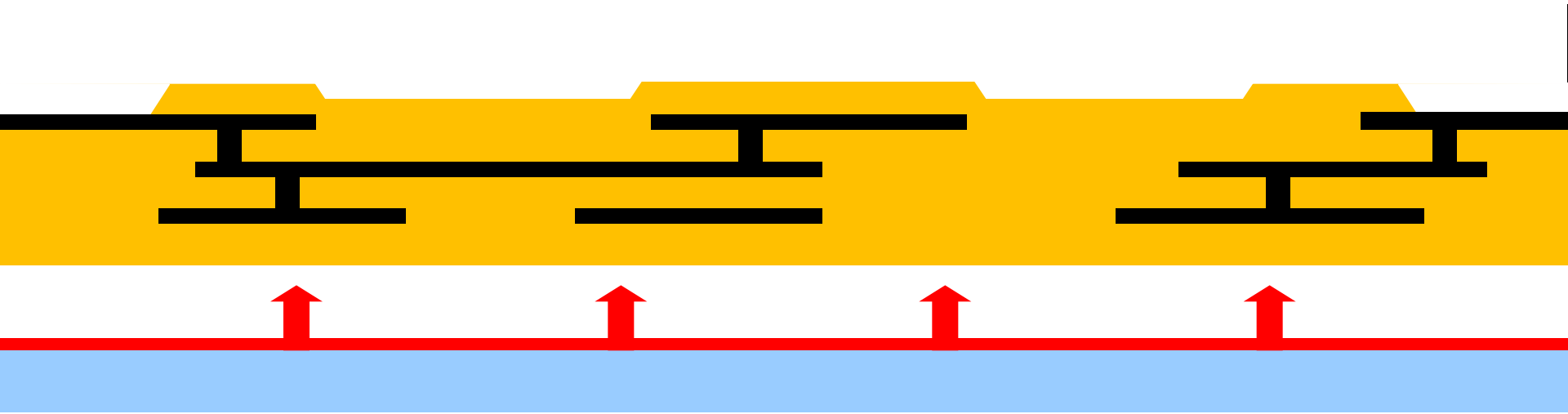
The HiCoFlex[®] Process: 4th Polyimide Layer



The HiCoFlex® Process: Opening Pads



The HiCoFlex[®] Process: Force-free Separation



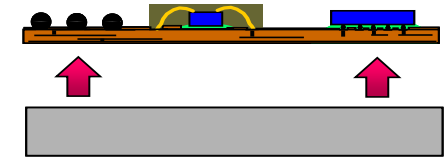
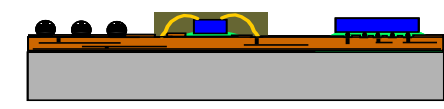
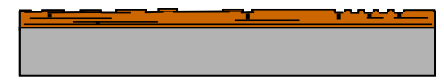
HiCoFlex[®] Technology



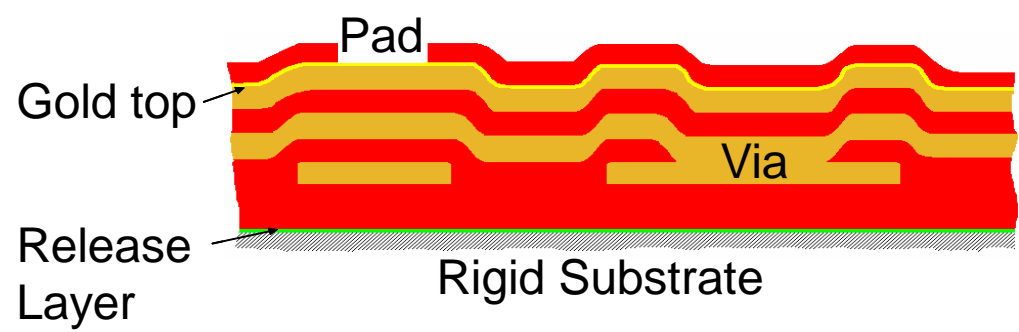
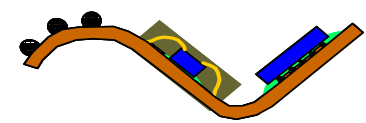
Fabrication of multilayer structure on rigid carrier substrate

Assembling, Bonding
Protection, Test

Separation of multilayer from rigid substrate



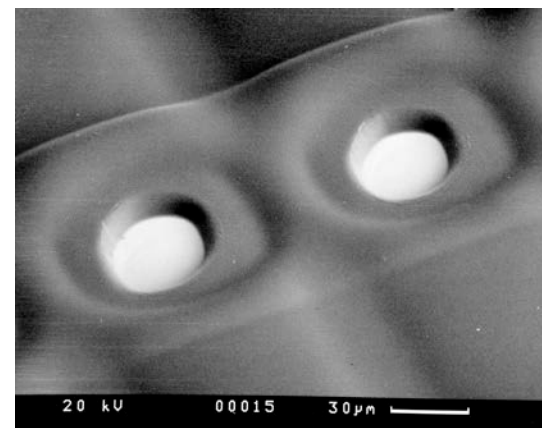
HiCoFlex[®]



HiCoFlex[®] Technology

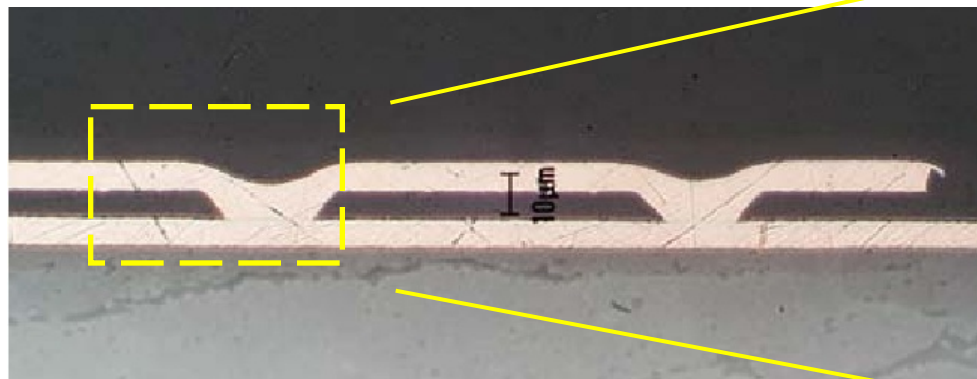


15 μm line/space
conductors

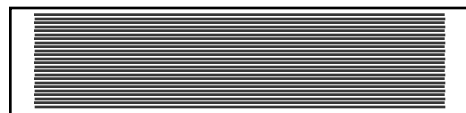


Laser cut vias
Ø 30 μm

Electroplated vias

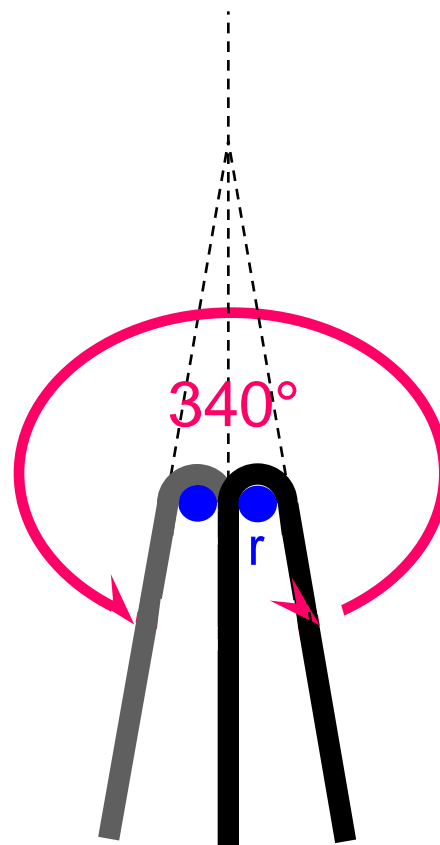


HiCoFlex[®] Technology



10 mm

77 wires,
150 μm pitch,
25 μm total thickness



$r = 1 \text{ mm}$

- no mechanical damage
- no change in electrical properties

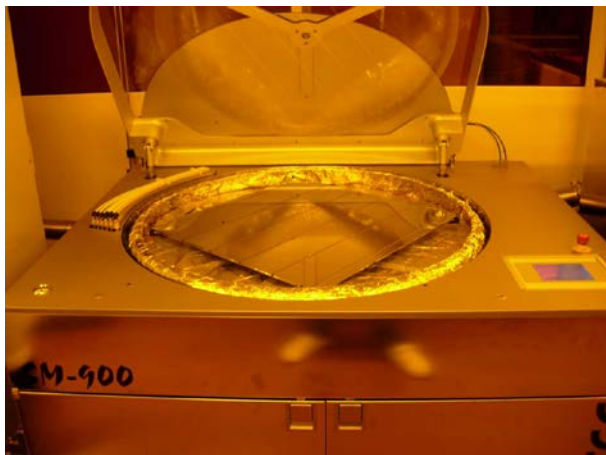
number of cycles $> 10^7$

The HiCoFlex[®] line of Hightec MC AG

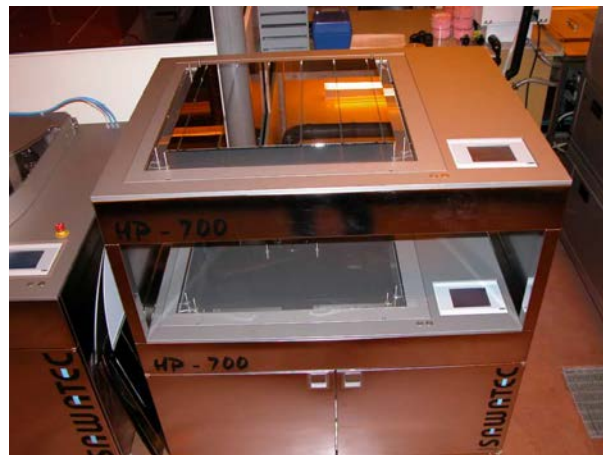
- Glass substrates 24" x 24"
- Higher volume at lower cost
- Larger flex formats
- Equipment:
 - LDI for 15 µm line and space
 - Sputter Tool (vertical)
 - Electroplating Cu, Ni, Au
 - UV Laser
 - AOI
 - Spray Clean, Develop, Etch and Strip
 - 3D Measurement Microscope, etc.
- Investment 8 Mio. CHF



24" Production Line



Spin Coating



Hotplates



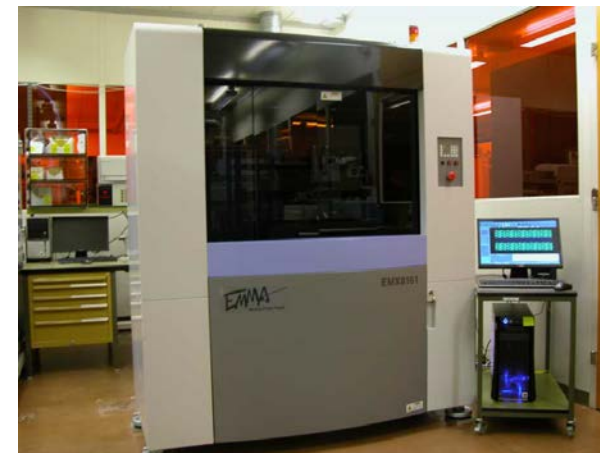
LDI & Electro Plating



Resist Develop

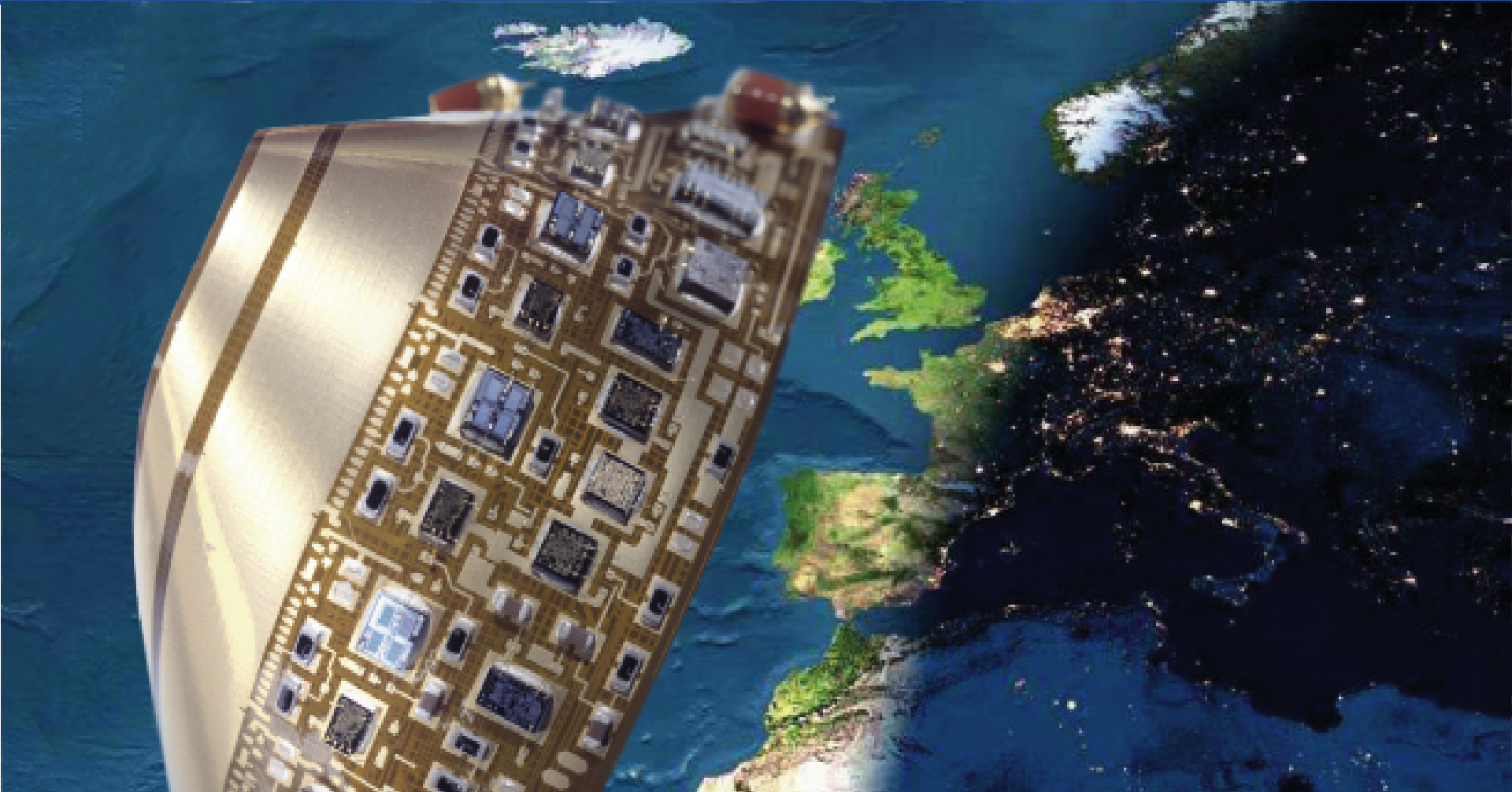


3D Thickness Measurement



Prober

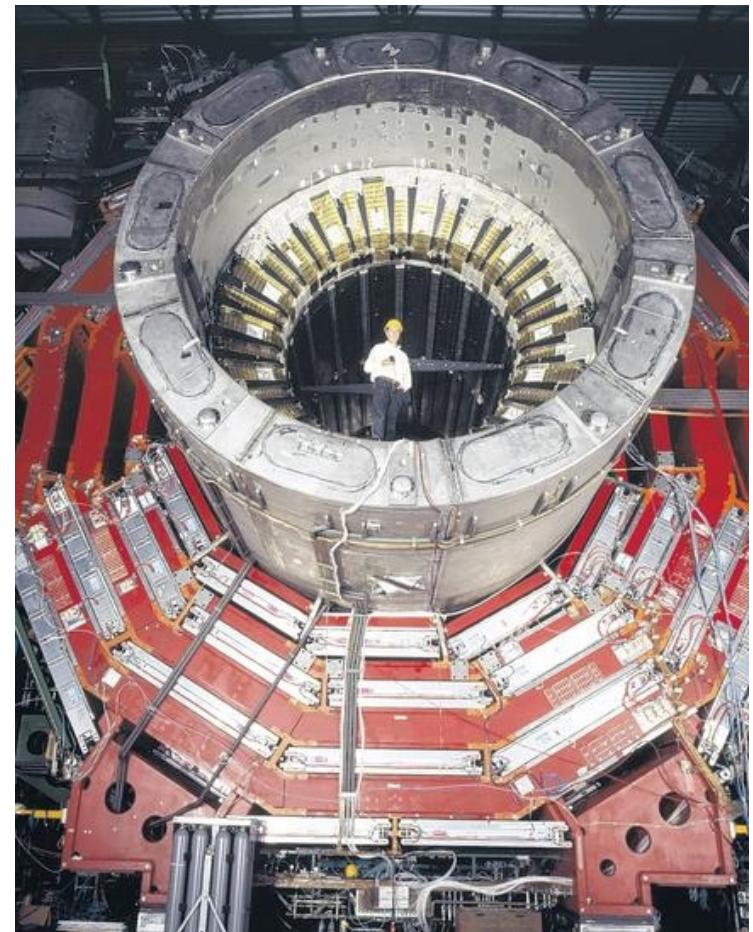
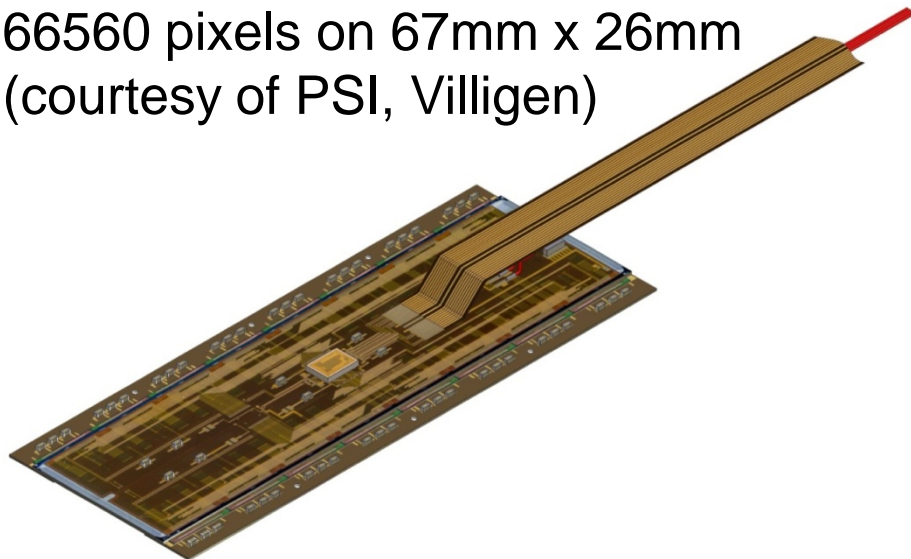
HiCoFlex[®] Applications



HDI / VHDI

3-layer HDI flex
CMS experiment in the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN

Assembled barrel modul for
66560 pixels on 67mm x 26mm
(courtesy of PSI, Villigen)

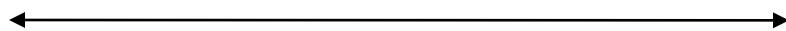
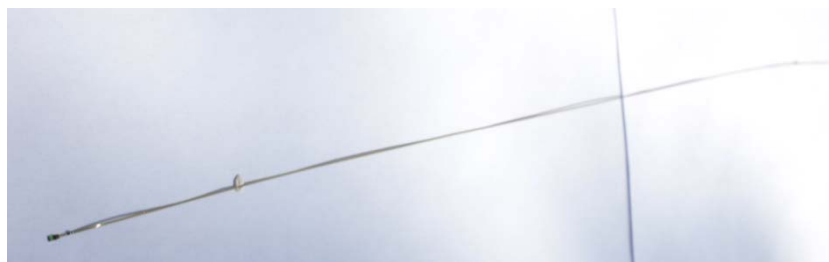


HiCoFlex Long Micro Cables

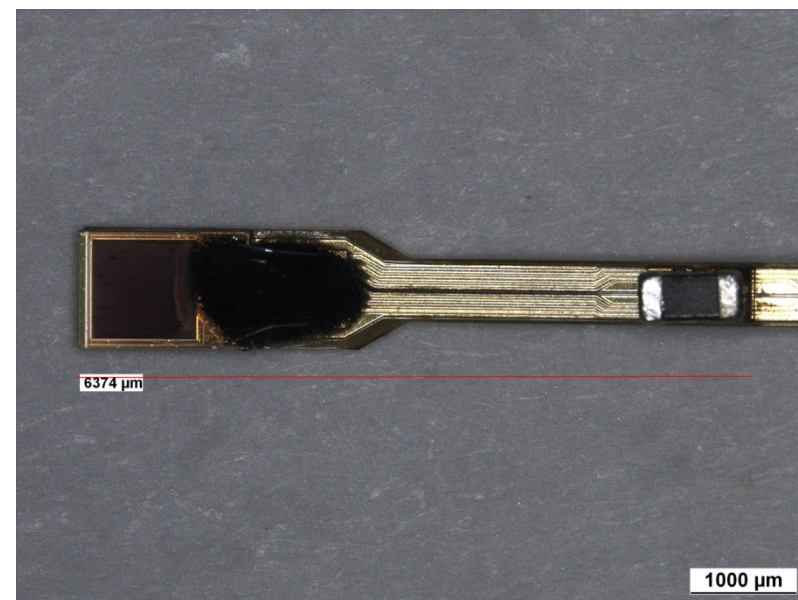
Medical application for catheter and endoscope connection

For example:

- Length typ. $\geq 0.5\text{m}$
- Width $\leq 1 - 2 \text{ mm}$
- Number of layers: from 2 to 3



550mm



Cables for Space Applications

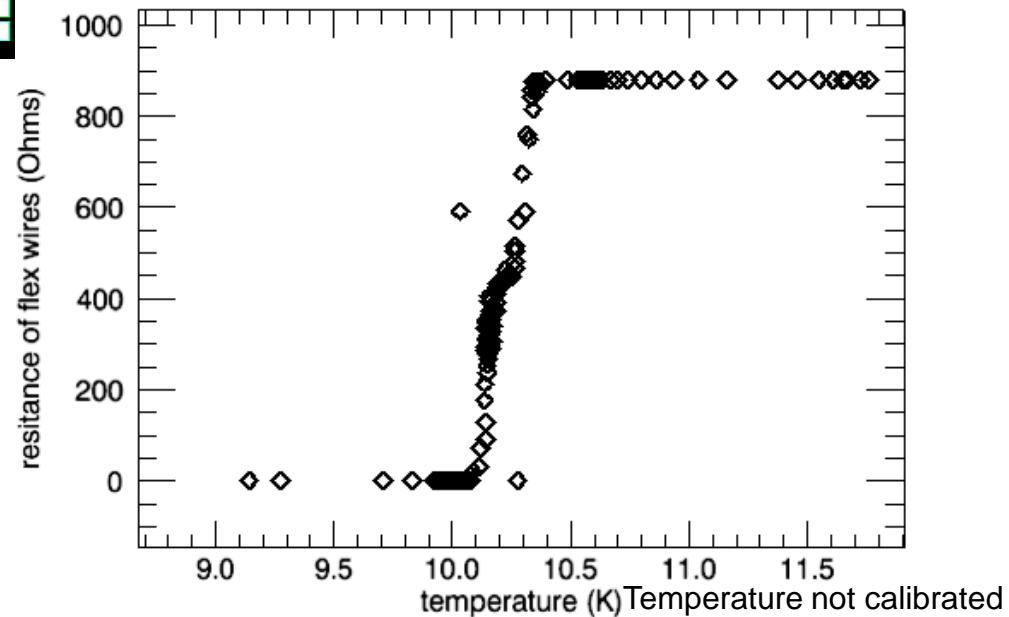


Cryo harness

250 nm Nb

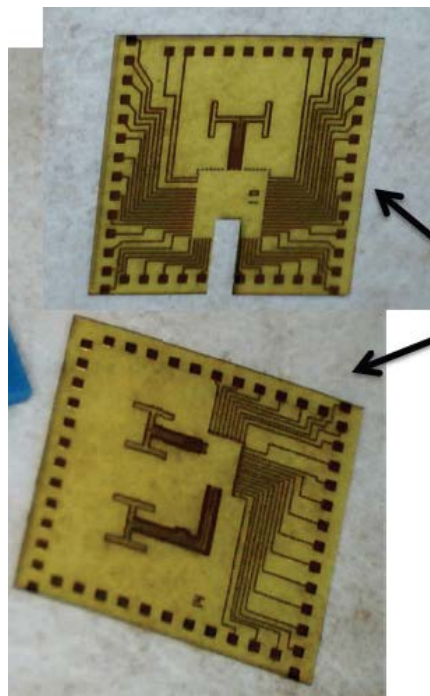
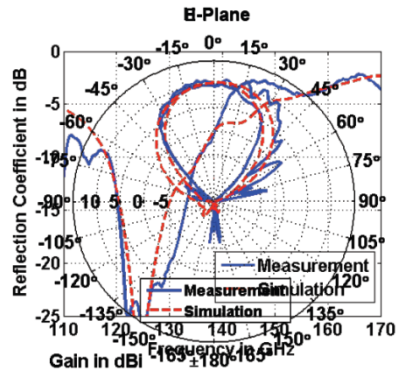
$T_c \sim 8-9K$

Measurement done by SRON



High-Frequency Application – 122GHz

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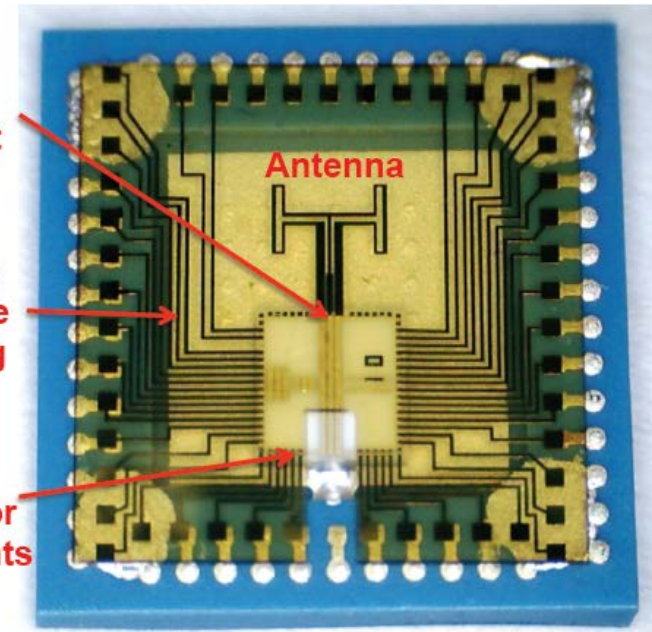
Antennas on HiCoFlex
(14 μm Polyimide)

- Double Dipole Antenna
- Uses package base as reflector

Flip Chip Interconnect

Chip to Package Routing

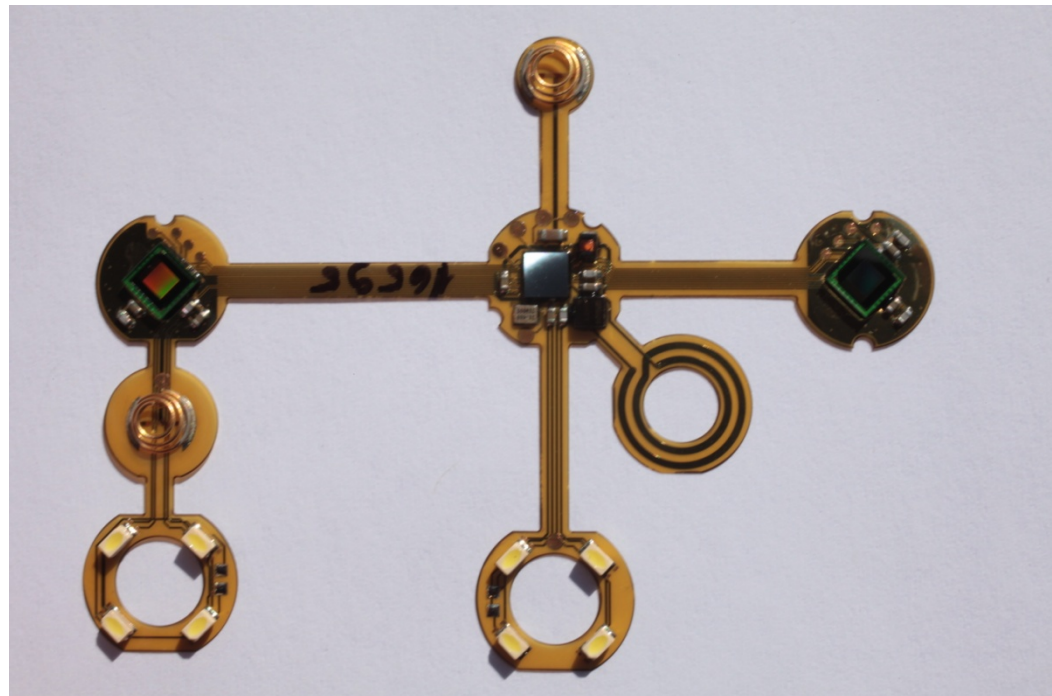
Cut in Polyimide for Measurements



- Performance including the flip chip interconnect:
- 17 GHz Bandwidth
- 11 dBi Gain
- No sidelobes
- Not affected by interconnect lines

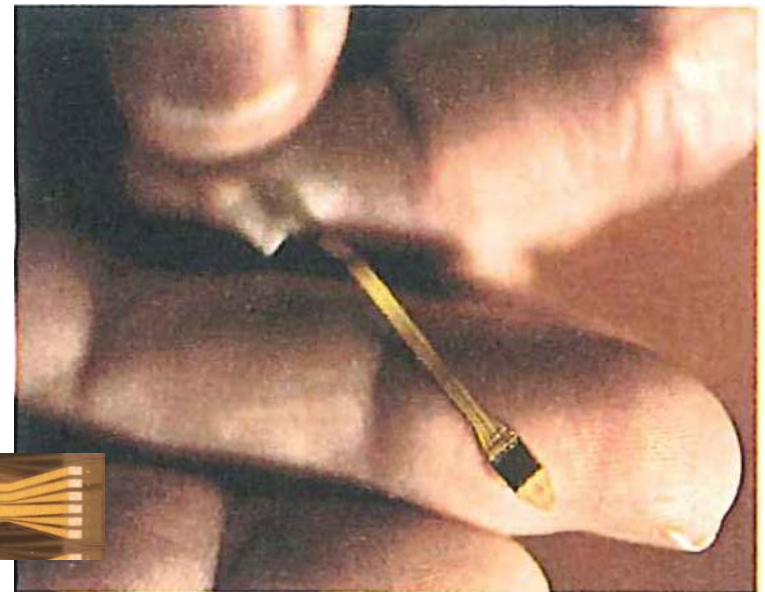
Medical Devices

Multiple folded flex board for Pill Cam
Manufacturing of flex board, assembly
of components, testing of function on
a rigid substrate



Medical Devices – Retina Implant

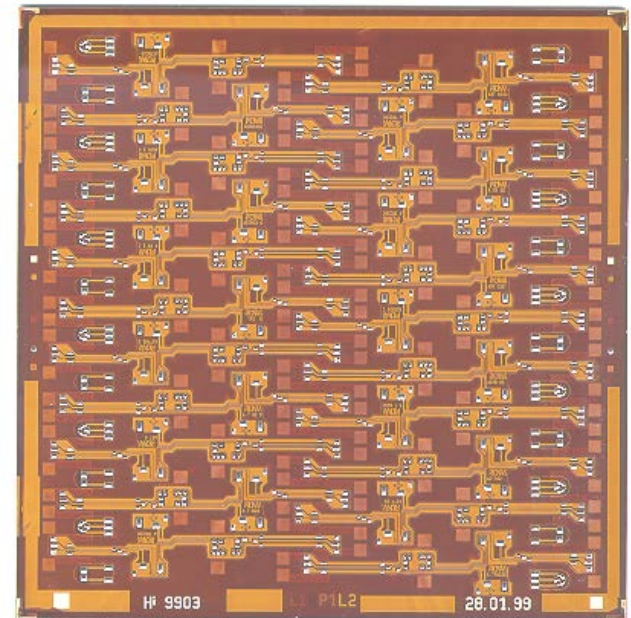
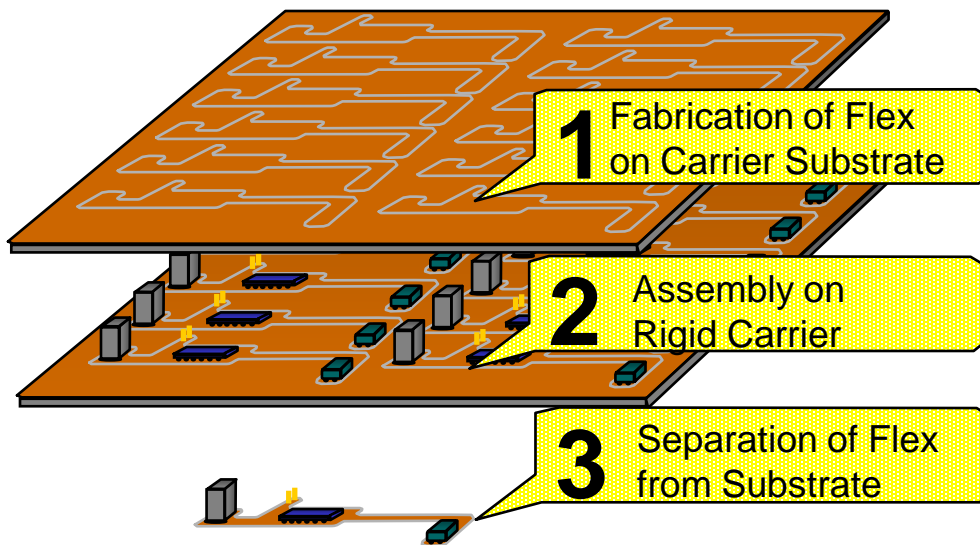
Article in Focus 6/2012



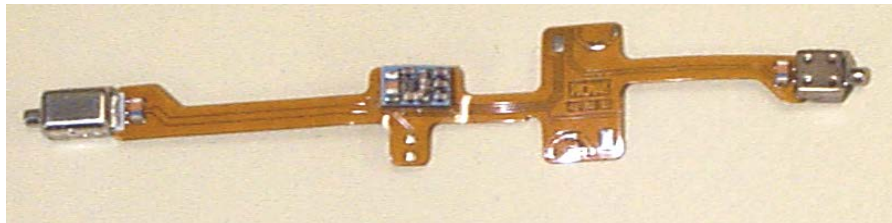
High-Tech-Auge Dieser Chip wird in die kranke Netzhaut implantiert. Bald soll er Tausenden Blinden helfen



HiCoFlex® Assembly on 6" Panels

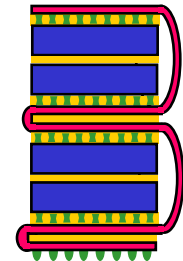
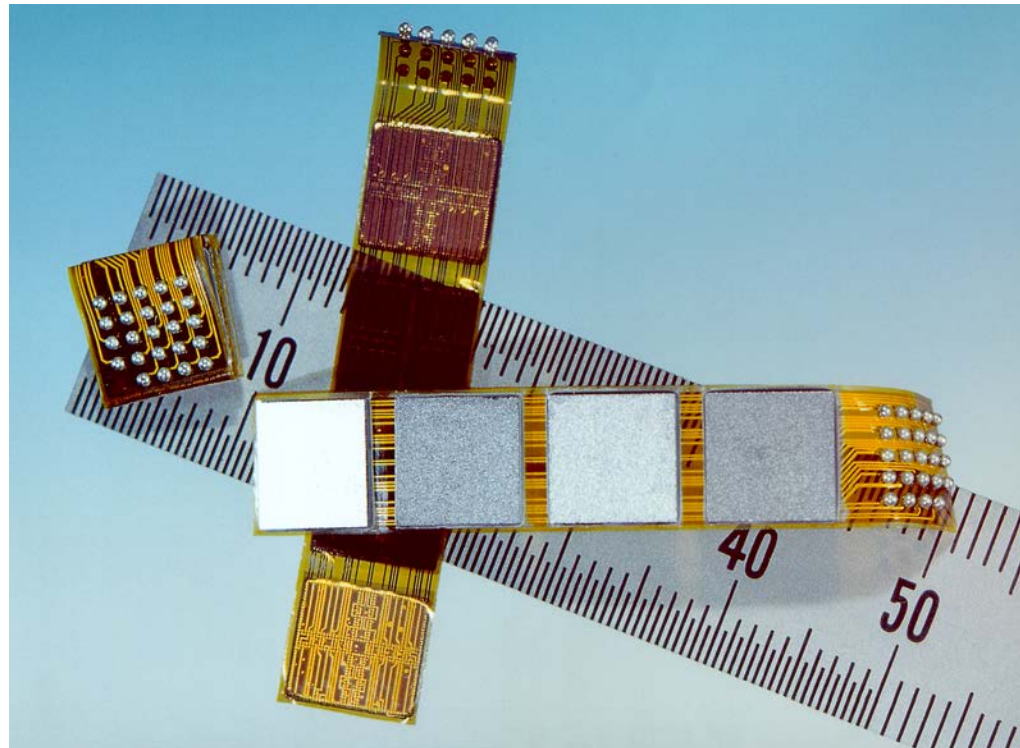


6" Substrate before Assembly



Final part assembled and separated

HiCoFlex® 3D-Packaging

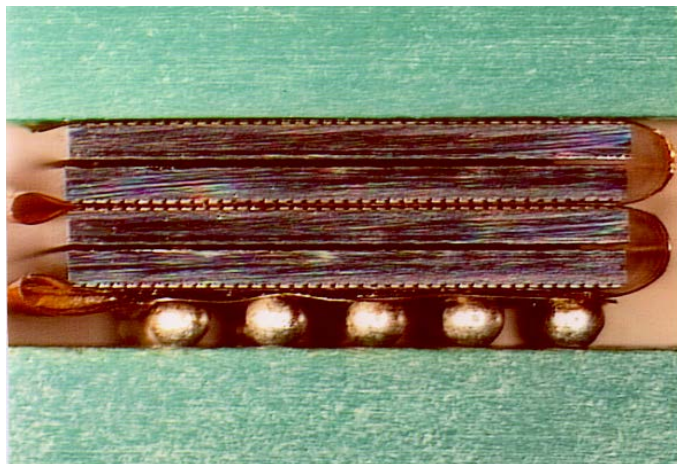
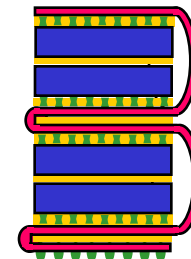


HiCoFlex[®] MCSP!

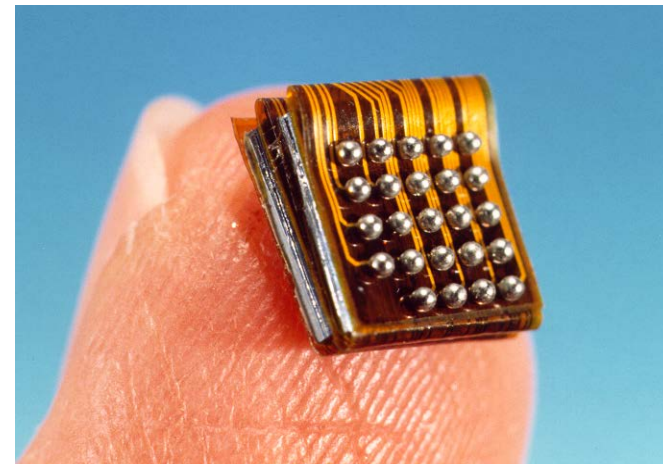
4 ICs, 7 x 7 mm, Flip-Chip on *HiCoFlex*[®]

BGA Pitch 1.27 mm

Flip-Chip PbSn-Solder Interconnections Pitch 180 μ m

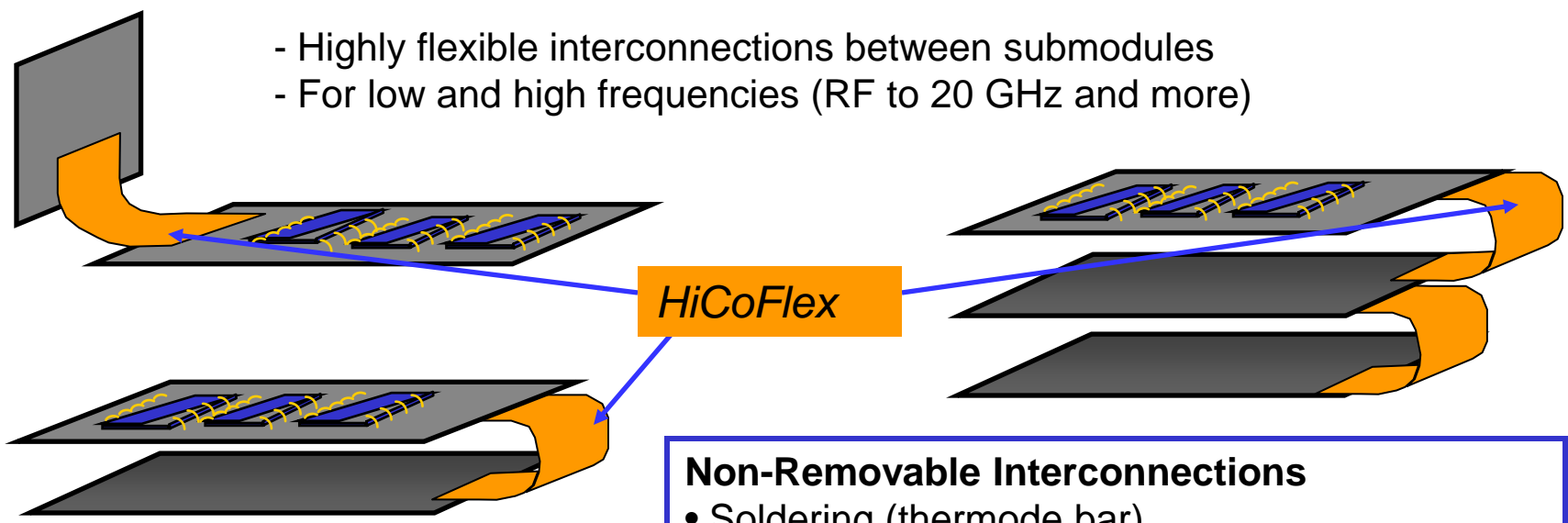


Side View



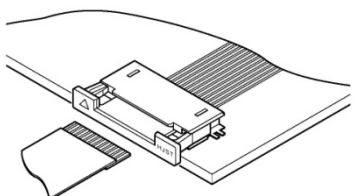
HiCoFlex® Cables and Interconnections

- Highly flexible interconnections between submodules
- For low and high frequencies (RF to 20 GHz and more)



Removable Interconnections

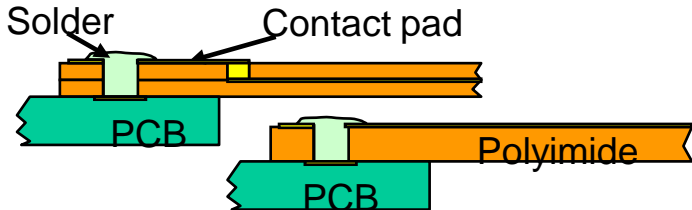
- Mini ZIF



- Cu pressure contacts

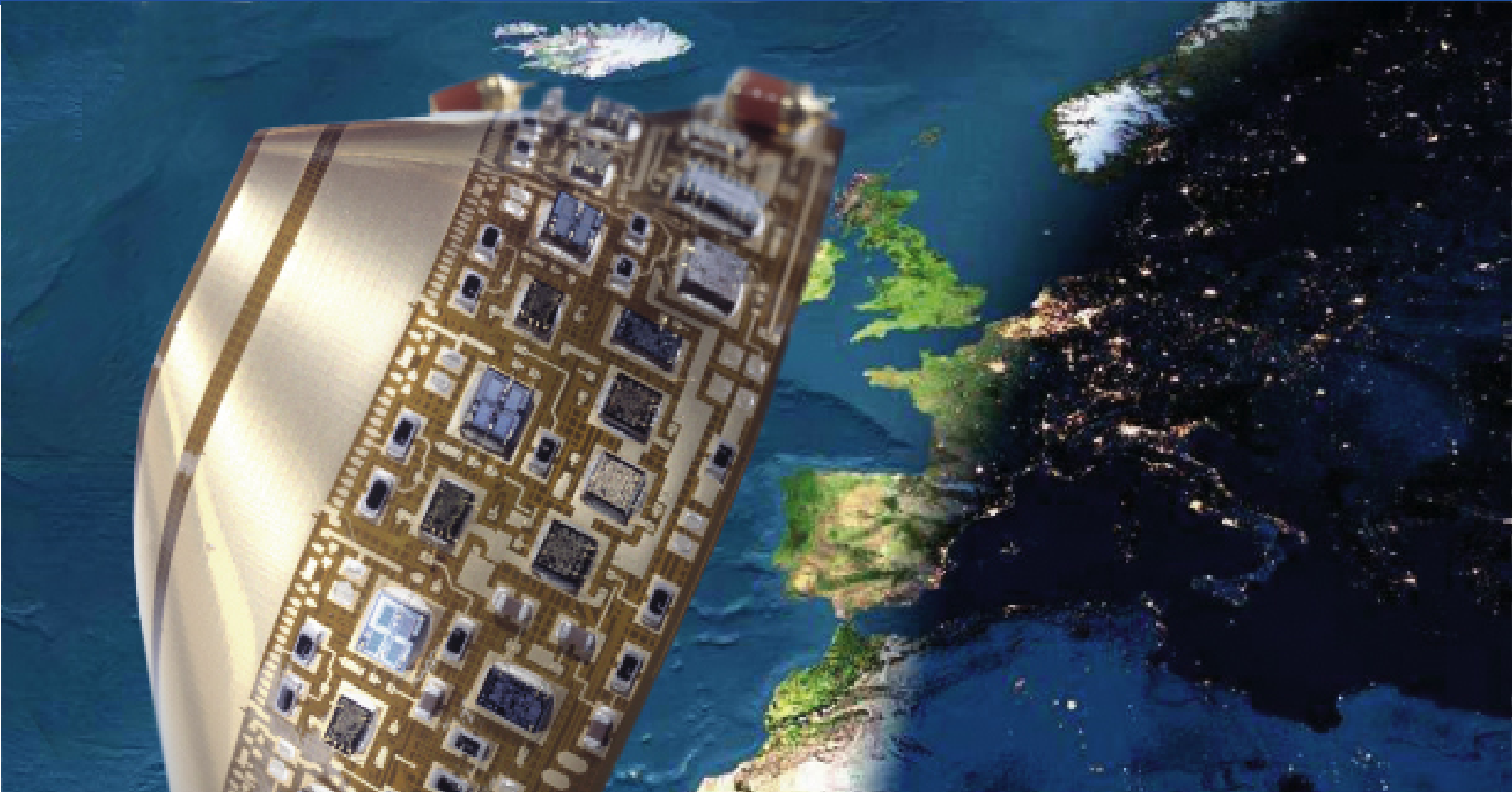
Non-Removable Interconnections

- Soldering (thermode bar)

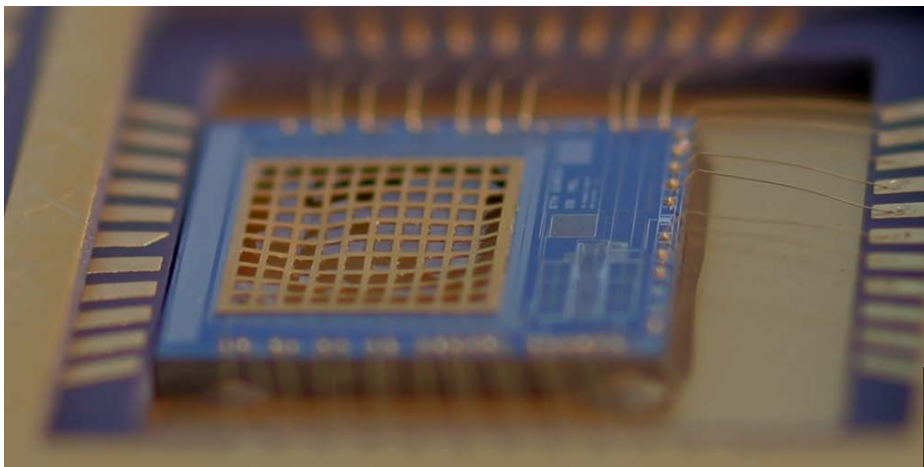


- Conductive glueing
- Anisotropic conducting film (ACF) ~ Pitch 50 µm
- Glueing + Wire bonding

Customised Assembling

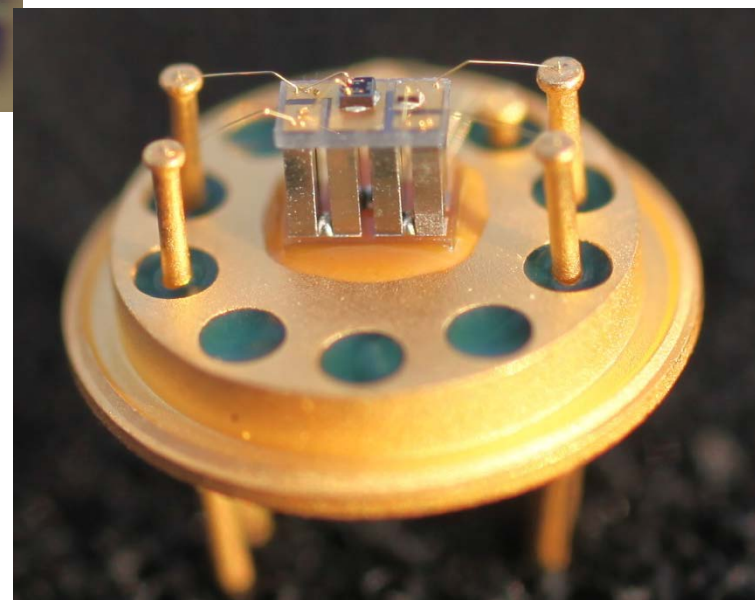


Sensor Assembling



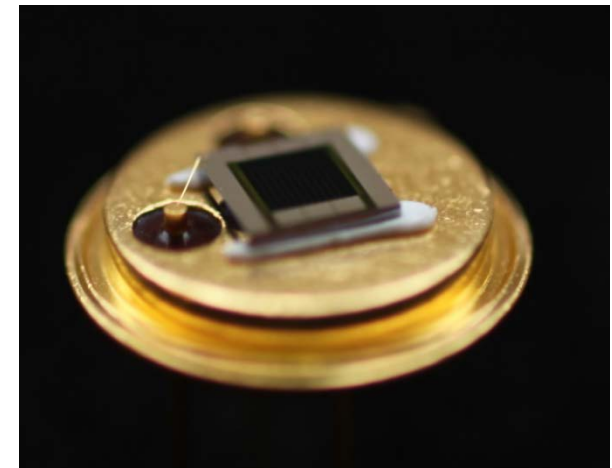
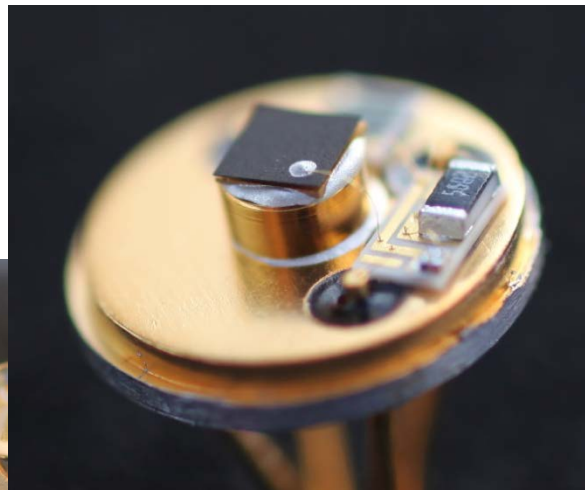
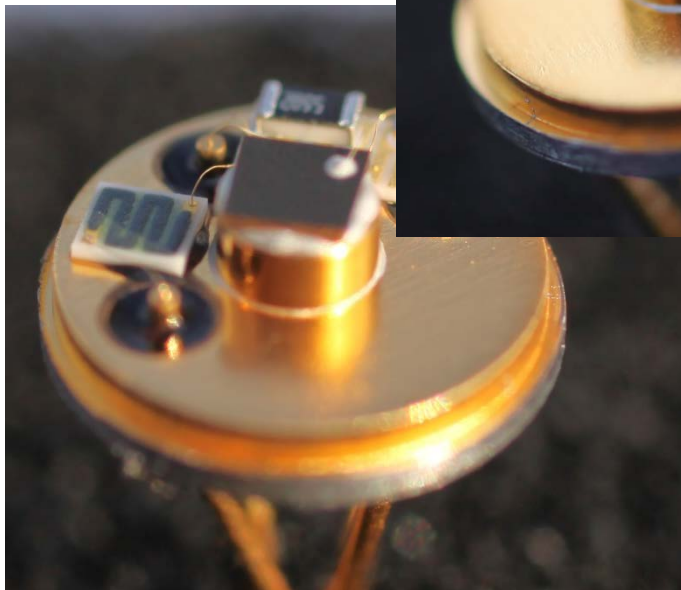
Special handling tools for mounting dices with fragil grids or membrans.

Controlled temperature board.



Sensor Assembling

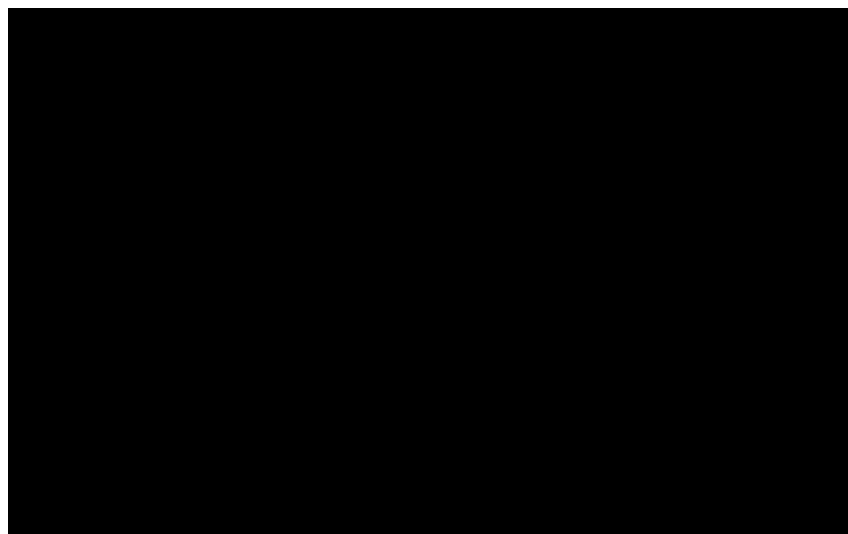
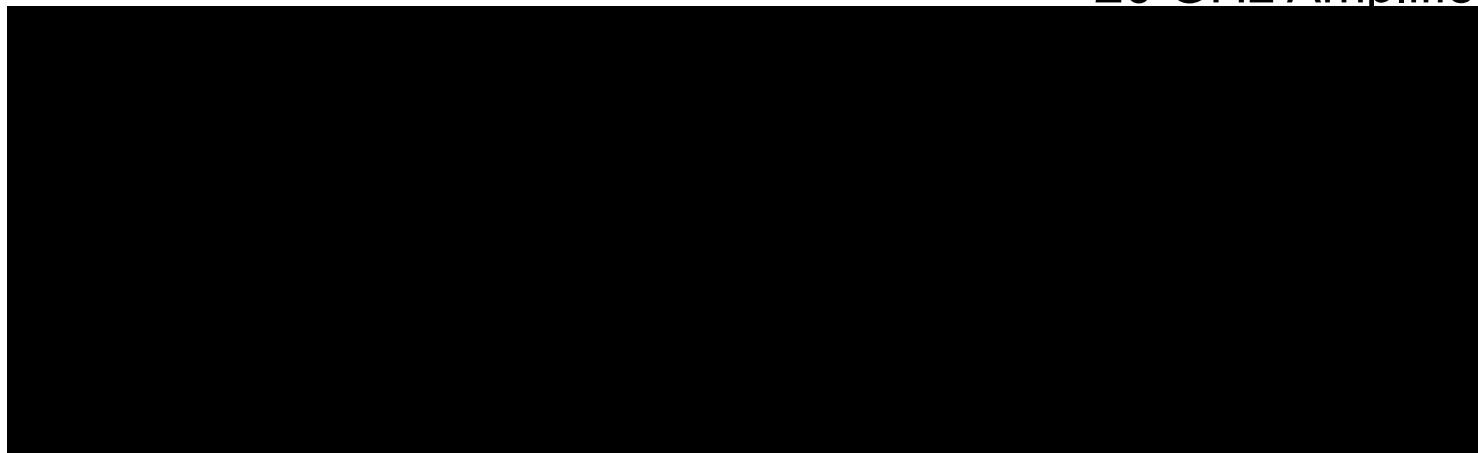
Lithiumtantalat
25 μm thick



3 μm Membrane

Electronic Assembling

20 GHz Amplifier



Minimum
pitch 50 μm

Thank you

Special Techniques

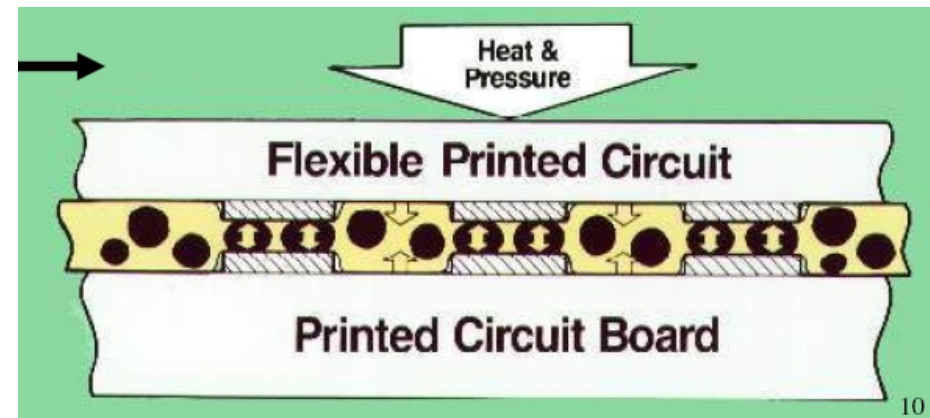
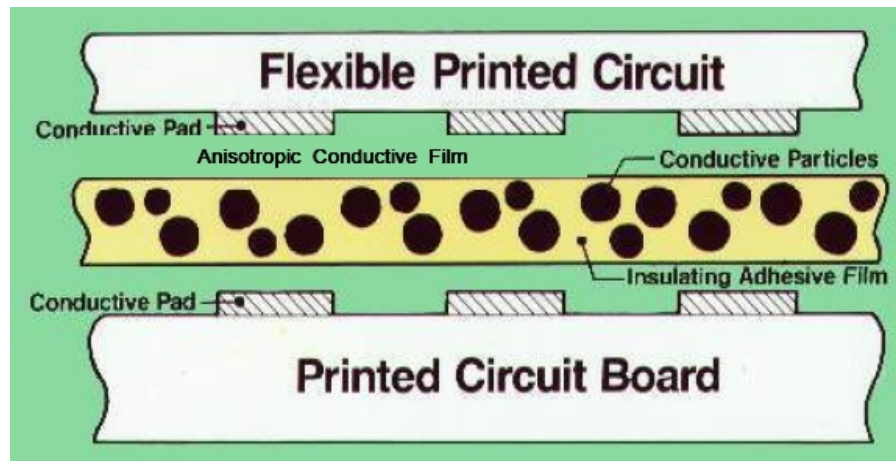
Services:	Feasibility Studies, Design, Prototyping, Manufacturing, Screening, Testing
Substrate material:	Al ₂ O ₃ , AlN, glass, metals (Mo, steel), polyimide, LCP
Deposition and Structuring:	<p>Sputtering: Cu, Ni, Au, NiCr, Ti, Cr, Pd, Pt, Sn, Nb, Al</p> <p>Spinning & Laser Direct Imaging (LDI)</p> <p>4" Electroplating: Cu, Ni, Au, Pt</p> <p>6" Stripping & Etching</p> <p>24"</p>
Laser Processing:	Cutting and Drilling of Polyimide with UV Laser
Assembly:	Ball-Wedge & Wedge-Wedge bonding, Flip-Chip mounting, Hermetical sealing and Customized packaging

Interconnection by ACF

New tasks Connection of HiCoFlex to PCB's and Hybrids (non-removable)

Methode Heatsealing, by use of Anisotropic Conductive Film (ACF)

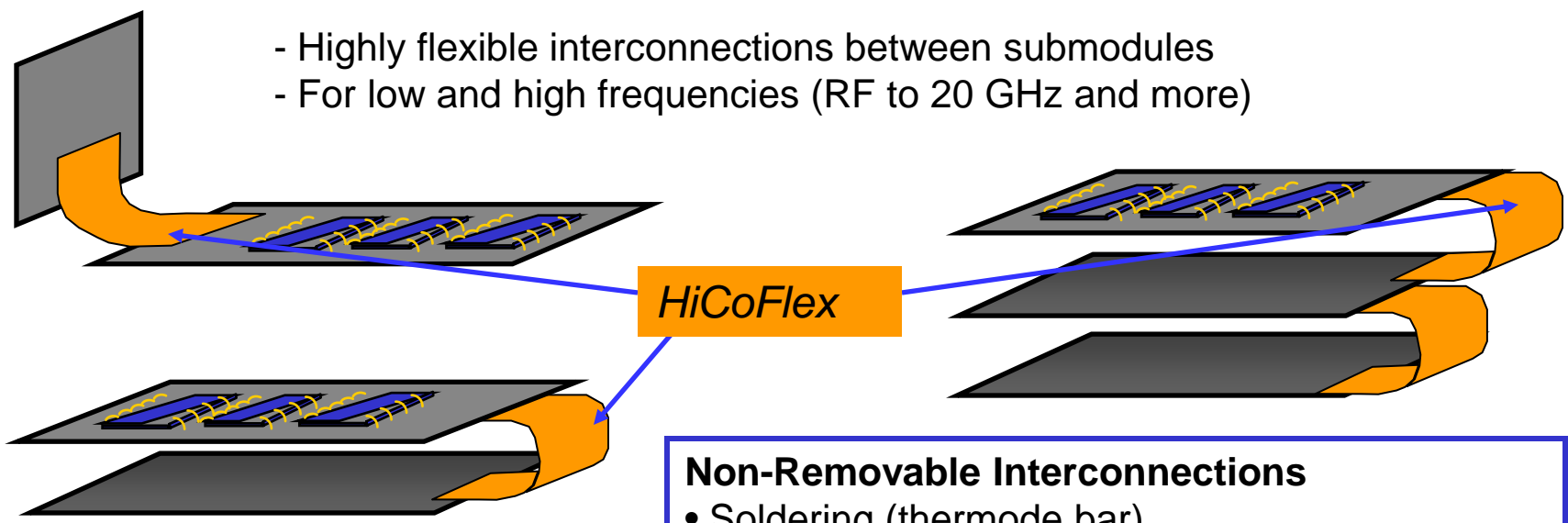
Tests Testsamples → Check the possible pitch (range 50 ... 250 μm),



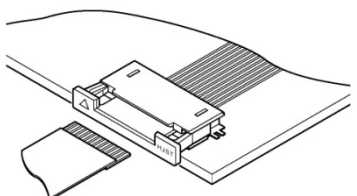
ACF left before and right after heatsealing

HiCoFlex® Cables and Interconnections

- Highly flexible interconnections between submodules
- For low and high frequencies (RF to 20 GHz and more)

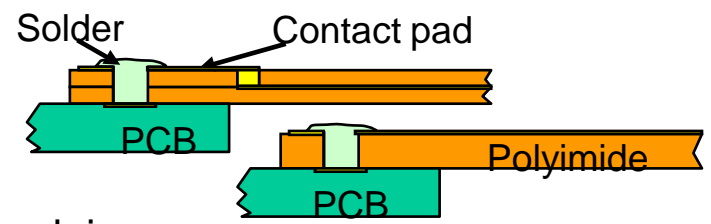


Removable Interconnections

- Mini ZIF
 - Cu pressure contacts
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Non-Removable Interconnections

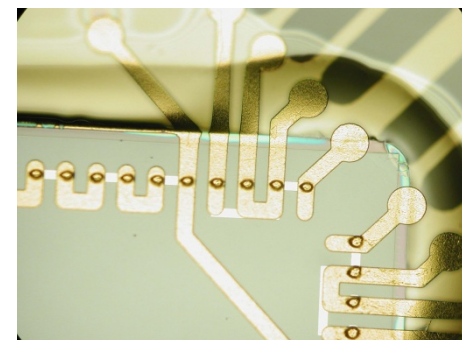
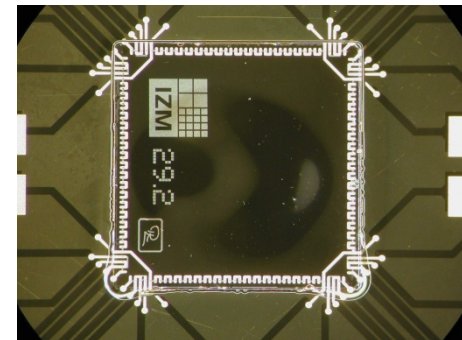
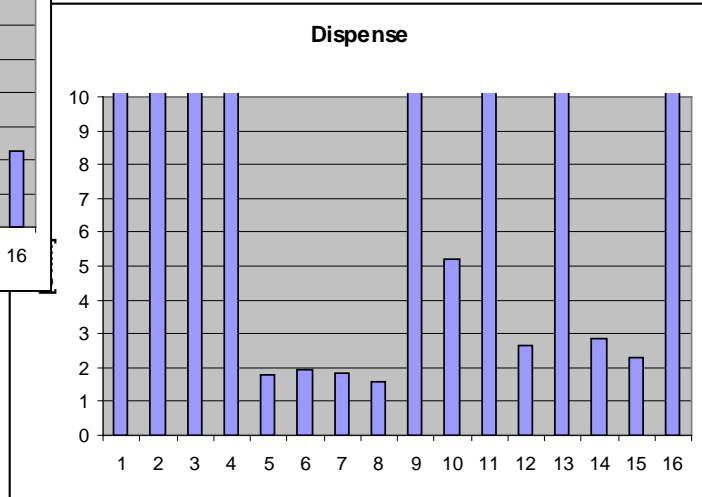
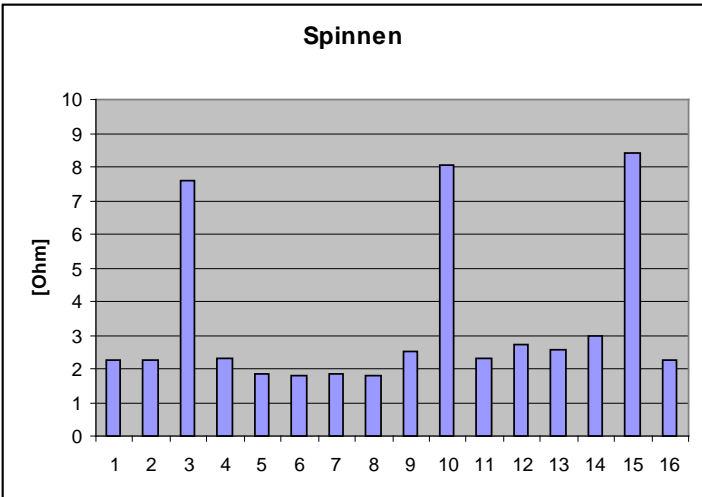
- Soldering (thermode bar)



- Conductive gluing
- Anisotropic conducting film (ACF)
- Gluing + Wire bonding

Chip Embedding: Summary of recent work

- Chips embedded with BCB (dispensed or spinned) as glue for the chips.
- Top metallisation (alignment !)
- Measure resistance of daisy chain along one edge of chip (= 36 connections each):
- Typical $\approx 2 \Omega$, some misaligned



The HiCoFlex[®] Process

