


Preliminary tests of resistive materials for ProtoDUNE CPAs.

Introduction

- Tests of different materials candidate to work as cathode for ProtoDune
- Dedicated set-up to induce sparks and evaluate resistivity, at room temperature and in LAr.
- Materials under test: Micarta; Ink printed vetronite and resistive Kapton (suggested by Rui de Oliveira, CERN)

Rui De Oliveira gave us the data sheet of the resistive ink that his group is using to produce resistive surfaces of specific average resistivity with the screen print technique. A silver paste for soldering adapted to this ink is also available from the same company.



**DEVELOPMENTAL PRODUCT
POLYMER RESISTOR SERIES** **D-RS-12100**

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BELT SPEED: 20 inches / minute (Profile on back of page)

CURED FILM THICKNESS: 12 microns ± 1.5 microns

SHELF LIFE: 6 months

SUBSTRATE: FR-4 (Used for calibration), Kapton, Ceramic

TERMINATION CONDUCTOR: 1107-S

TYPICAL RESISTOR PROPERTIES

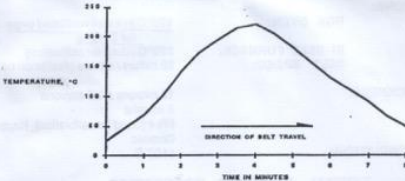
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Resistance ¹	100Ω/Sq.	1 K Ω/Sq.	10 K Ω/Sq.	100 K Ω/Sq.	MΩ/Sq.
CVAR	10 %	6 %	7 %	6 %	10 %
Resistance Tolerance	± 20 %	± 20 %	± 20 %	± 20 %	± 20 %
TCR (RT to +125°C)	+400 ppm/°C	-200 ppm/°C	-400 ppm/°C	-700 ppm/°C	-1000 ppm/°C
Humidity Test (40°C / 90% R.H.)					
24 hours	-	≤ -1 %	≤ -1 %	≤ +1 %	≤ +1.5 %
100 hours	-	≤ +1 %	≤ +1 %	≤ +1 %	≤ +1.5 %
1000 hours	-	≤ +1 %	≤ +1 %	≤ +1 %	≤ +1.5 %

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	D-RS-12112	D-RS-12113	D-RS-12114	D-RS-12115	D-RS-12116
Humidity Test (85°C / 85% R.H.)					
24 hours	≤ +1 %	≤ -1 %	≤ -1 %	≤ -1 %	≤ -1 %
100 hours	≤ -2 %	≤ -1 %	≤ -2 %	≤ -2 %	≤ -2 %
1000 hours	≤ -6 %	≤ -4 %	≤ -7 %	≤ -7 %	≤ -7 %
Thermal Aging, ΔR (80°C)					
24 hours	-	≤ +1 %	≤ +1 %	≤ -1 %	≤ -1 %
100 hours	-	≤ +1.5 %	≤ -1 %	≤ -1 %	≤ -1 %
1000 hours	-	≤ -2 %	≤ -2 %	≤ -2 %	≤ -2 %
Solder dipping ΔR (3 seconds in 62Sn/36Pb/2Ag solder, 220°C)		≤ -2 %	≤ -2 %	≤ -2 %	≤ -2 %
Solder dipping ΔR (6 sec in 63Sn/37Pb solder, ~250°C)	≤ -7 %	≤ -10 %	≤ -10 %	≤ -10 %	≤ -10 %

D-RS-12100 CURING PROFILE

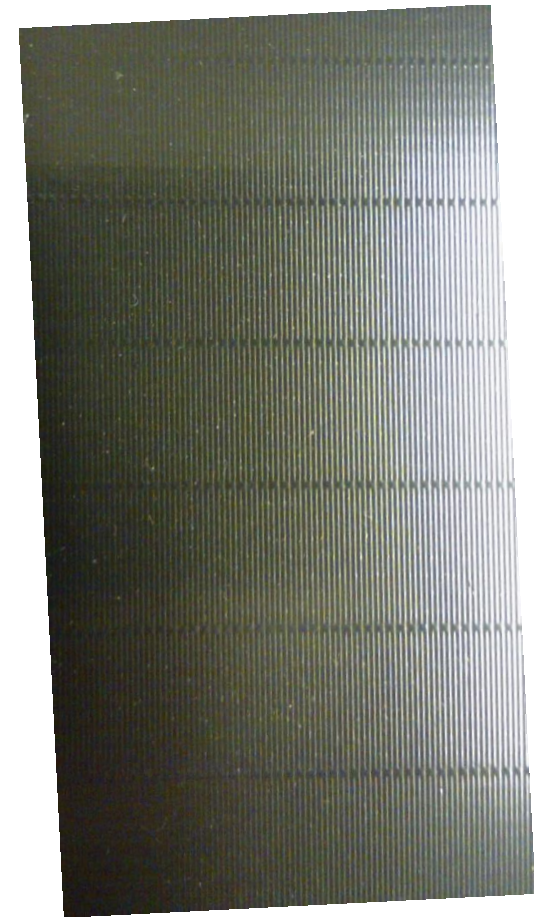


Note: Depending on the substrate used, D-RS-12100 Series materials may be cured at higher temperatures or longer times. This will improve rotational life in potentiometer applications and stability at elevated temperatures or on exposure to humidity. In an IR (far IR) furnace, applications as high as 270°C with belt speeds of 10"/min. to 20"/min. may be used. Curing in a well ventilated box oven at temperatures up to 200°C for two hours is also possible. In general, the curing temperature should be about 100°C above the maximum use temperature to achieve the best stability.

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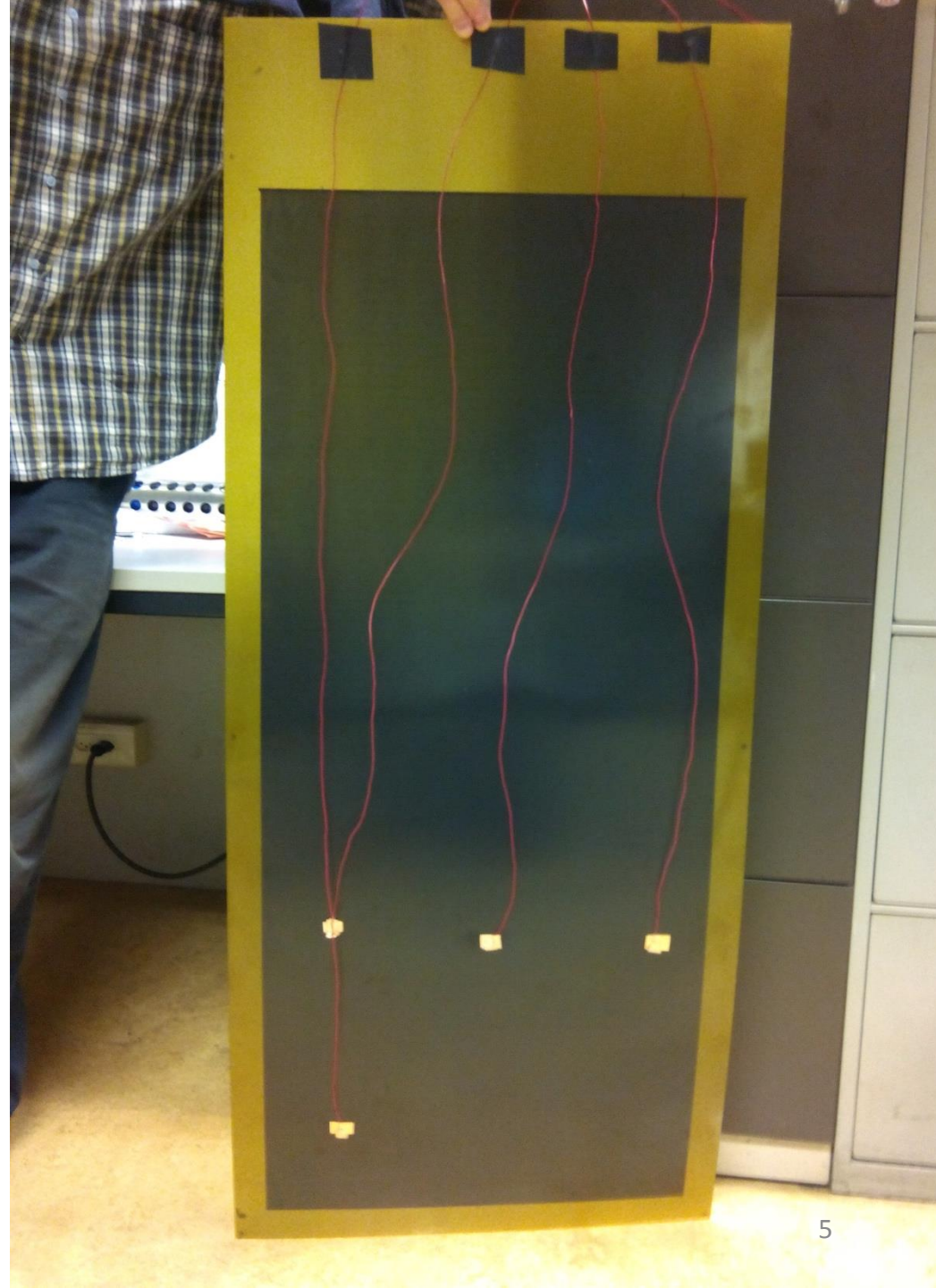
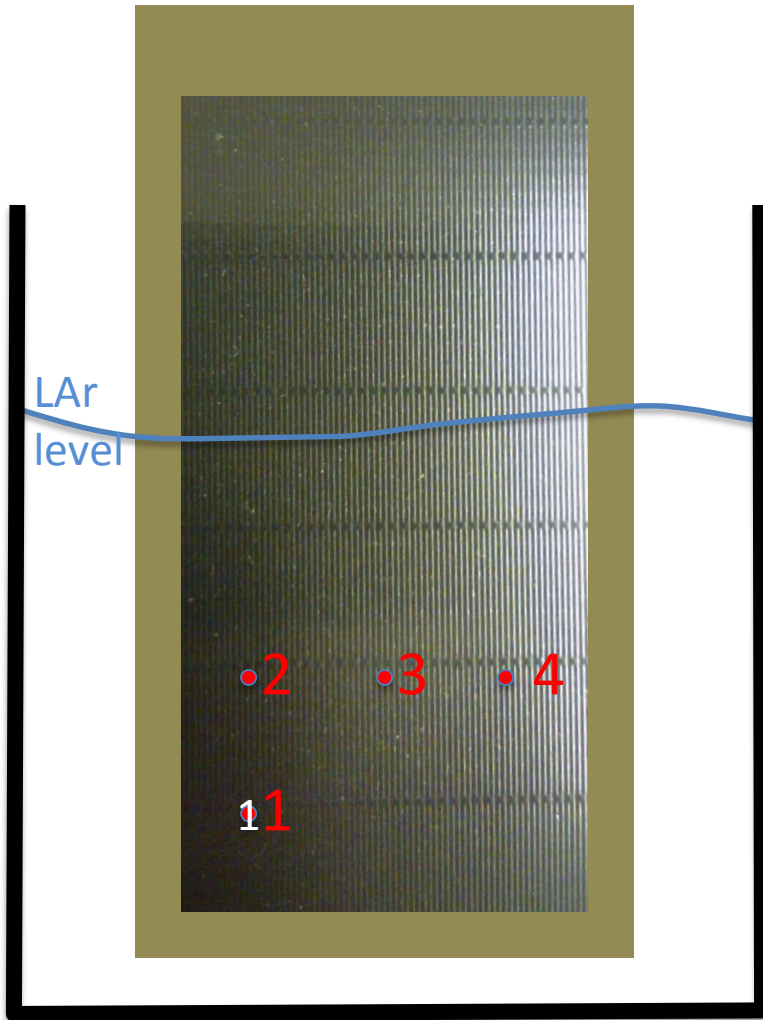
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A sample of FR4 sheet (125x55 cm² area, 0.5 mm thick) was deposited with resistive ink (of few M Ω /square) in a parallel strips pattern (\sim 250 μ m thick \sim 250 μ m spacing) to increase the average resistivity of the surface. Strips are linked together every \sim cm. Given the specific layout of the printing pattern, the resistivity is expected to be different in the direction along the strips and that parallel to them.



Rui also gave us a 15x25 cm² sample of the Dupont resistive Kapton (3-4 M Ω *cm bulk resistivity). Thickness is 25 μ m, it need to be mounted on support for tests.

Resistivity measurements at room and LAr temperatures



Measurements taken with HP-4329A High Resistance Meter

V=100V (cross-checks at 50 V and 250 V)

	Room Temp (25°C)	Cold (Air-GAr, -150°C)	Cold (-175°C)*
1-2	1,5	2,6	3
1-3	3	5	5,4
1-4	6	8	9,5
2-4	6	8	9,5
	Cold (-180°C, Lar waves)	Cold (-180°C, LAr prompt)	Cold (-180°C, LAr quiet)
1-2			
1-3	3,2	4	3,7
1-4	6	\	6
2-4	10	\	9.9
	11	\	10.5

All values are expressed in $10^7 \Omega$

*= Point (1) in LAr, point (2), (3), (4) in GAr

Same resistance values measured at LAr and room temperatures after one night immersion in LAr. No visible damage to the screen-print pattern.



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Polymer Resistive foils

Constructions

100XC10E7 is our standard offering for anti-static applications. It is a one mil film with a nominal surface resistivity of 5 mega ohm/sq. Two grades are available as described in **Table 2**. Custom constructions are also available, and can be produced in thickness from 1 to 5 mil, and with surface resistances from 90 to 10⁹ ohms/sq.

Table 2

Electrical Properties of Kapton® 100XC10E7 and 100XC10E5 Polyimide Film

Property	Typical Value	Test Method
Film Type 100XC10E7		
Surface Resistivity Aim, mega ohm/sq.	5	ETS 870 electrometer at 100V
Resistivity Range, avg, mega ohm/sq.	.5-50	
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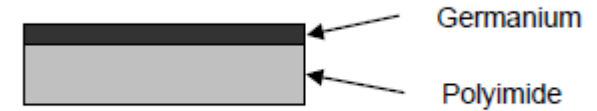
Resistivity measurements on a 25~15 cm² kapton foil provided by Rui.
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Thin film

Parameter (independent of film)	Specified Value
Germanium surface resistivity	$\leq 10^9 \Omega/\text{square}$ (typical $10^7 \Omega/\text{square}$)
Transmittance (Kapton HN only)	≤ 0.20
Solar Absorptance (α) Black Kapton Side	0.93 typical
Normal Emittance (ϵ_N) Black Kapton Side	0.84 typical
Intermittent temperature range	-250° C to 400° C (-420° F to 750° F)
Continuous temperature range	-250° C to 290° C (-420° F to 550° F)
Outgassing: (ASTM – E595)	TML - WVR $\leq 1.0 \%$; CVCM $\leq 0.1\%$



Resistivity measurements on a 40x25 cm² foil provided by Rui.

Room temperature: 4.5 MOhm/square

Immersed in LAr: 70 MOhm/square (no change after several days immersion)

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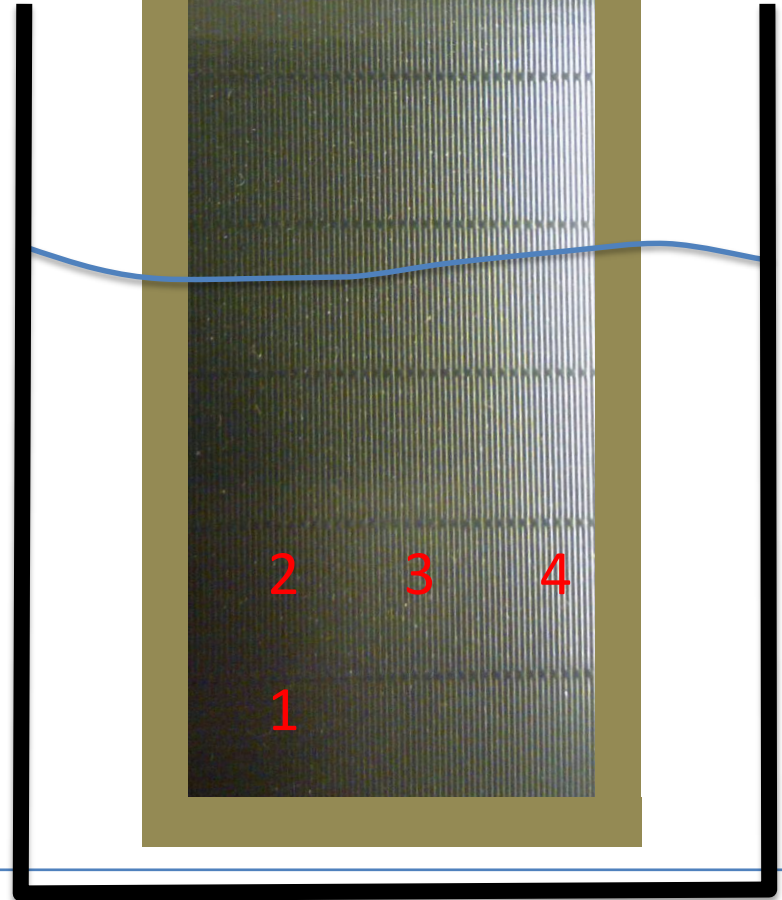
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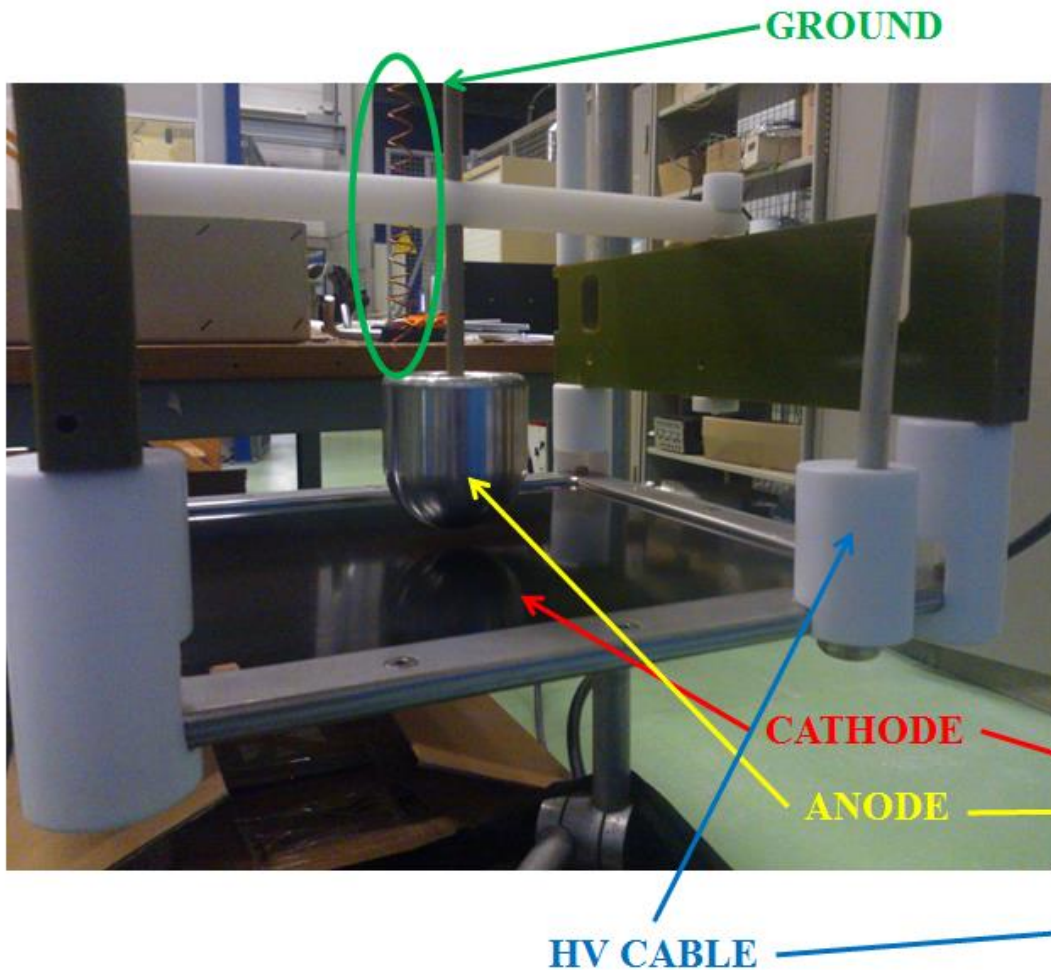


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Test setup

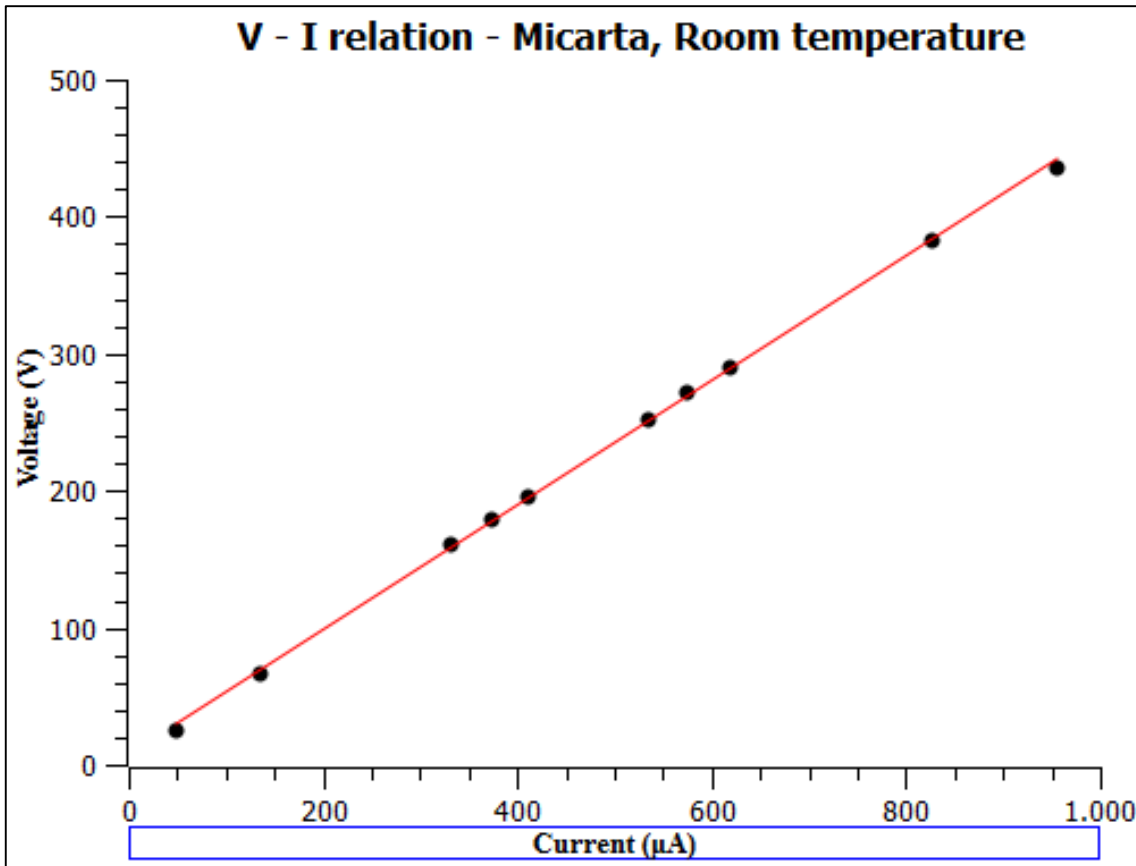


Resistive material is kept in position by SS frame. Connection with a small amount of silver paste. Sustaining structure for cathode plate and anode is in plastics (vetronite, teflon, PEEK).

Set of measurements

- Resistivity measurements on “bare” material (see previous slides)
- Sparks induction in air
- Sparks induction in LAr
- Resistance measurement with the shown set-up

Micarta - Sparks and R – room temp



Sparks produced at 27.7 kV (1 cm anode-cathode distance)
On a second test, sparks at ~ 33 kV/cm. The rate is ~ 1 Hz

Resistance measured by putting in contact anode and cathode (see left plot): good linearity up to 0.5 kV (current out of scale on power supply for higher voltage).

$R = 450$ k Ω .

Micarta - Sparks and R – LAr temp

- We experienced significant plate bending in LAr: set at 1cm from anode in air, turns out to be at around 2 mm from it in liquid (probably faster shrinking of SS frame).

Sparks start at around 60 kV/cm

After sparks start: heating → production of Ar bubbles. This induces more sparks, even at lower voltage: vicious loop.

- We experience a current flowing between anode and cathode, in liquid (55 kV).
Some numbers:

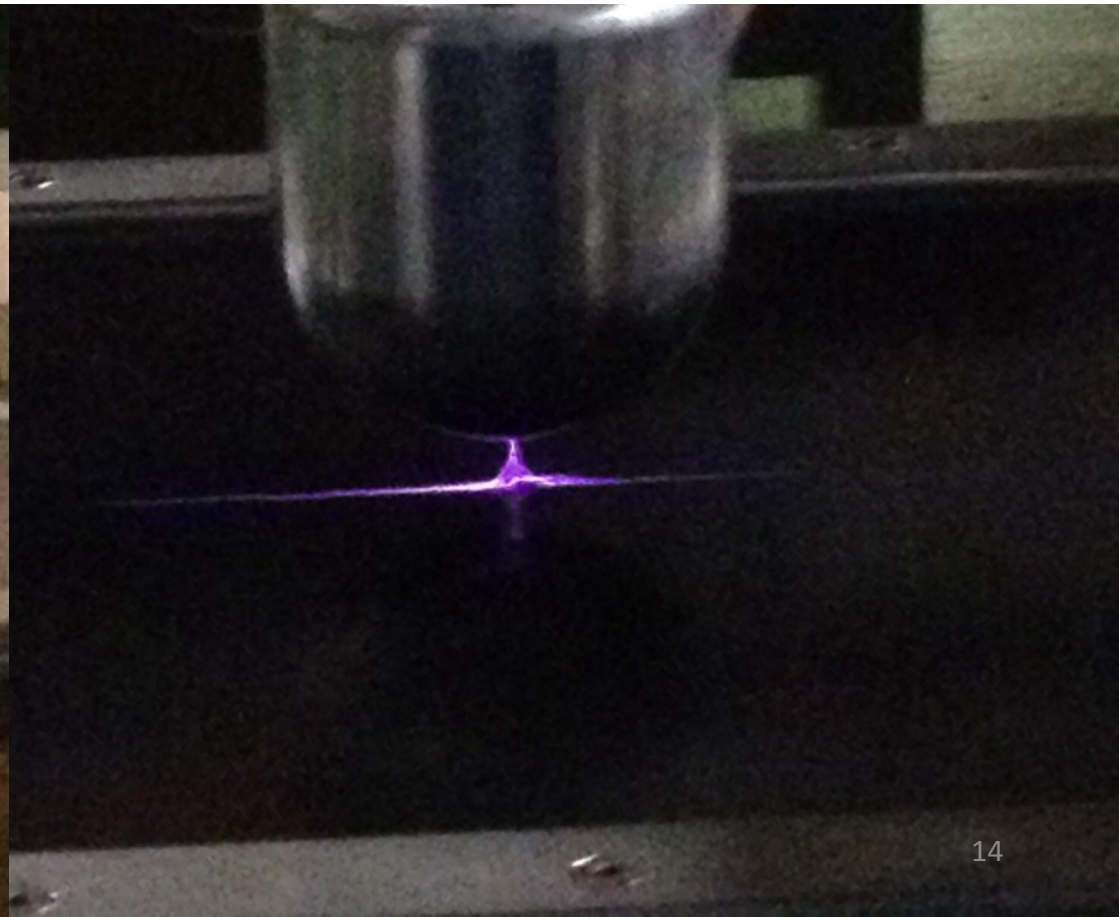
Anode-Cathode distance (mm)	Current (μA)
8	23
9	15
10	11
11	9
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18	1

Ink print – room temperature

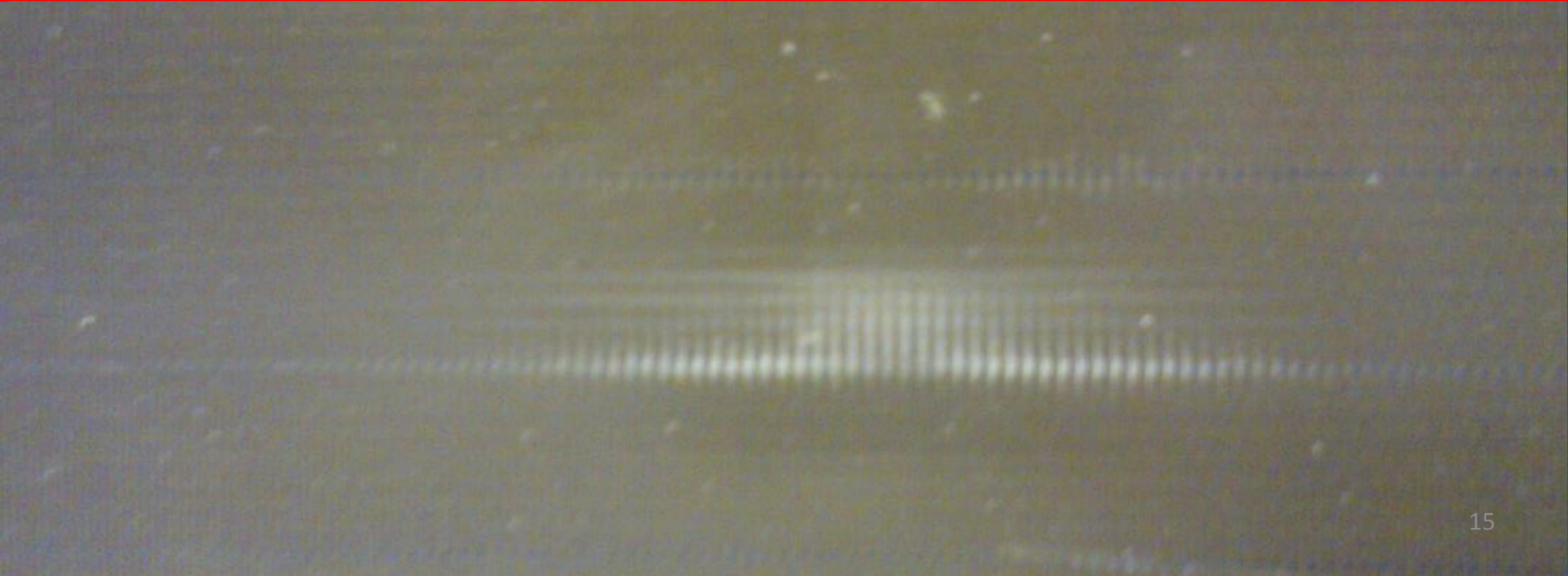
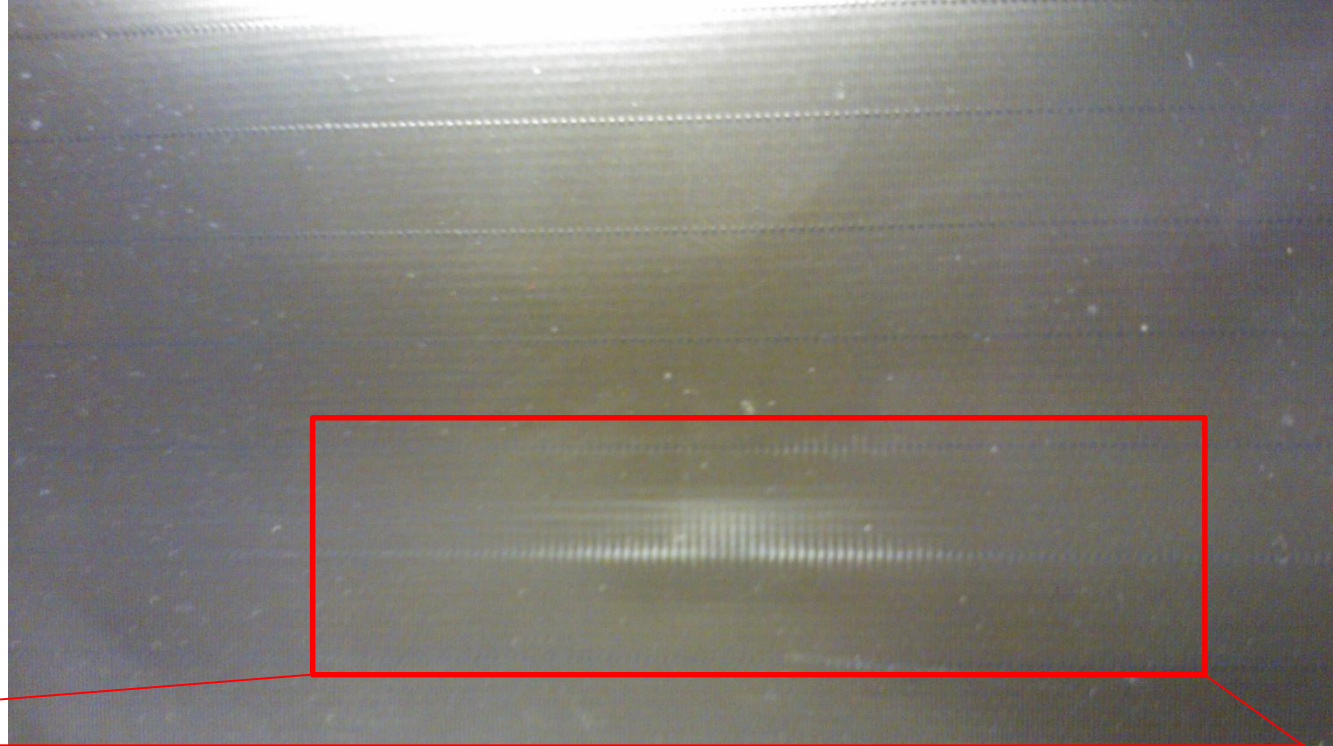
Sparks from 42-43 kV/cm, 1-2 Hz rate (depending on current limit)

Spark series alternated to dormant periods

Sparks develop along direction of less resistivity, perpendicular to strip direction



Status after test:
degradation but no
significant rip-off of
material

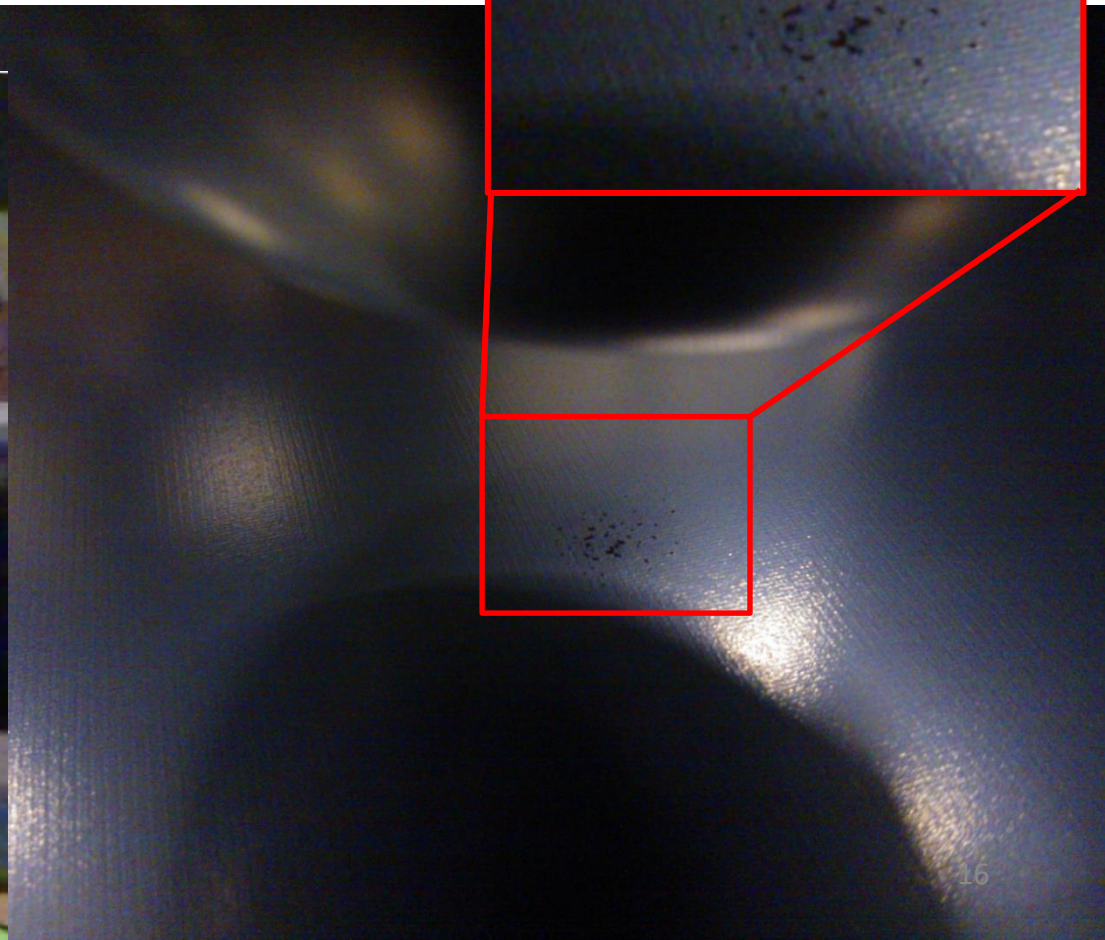
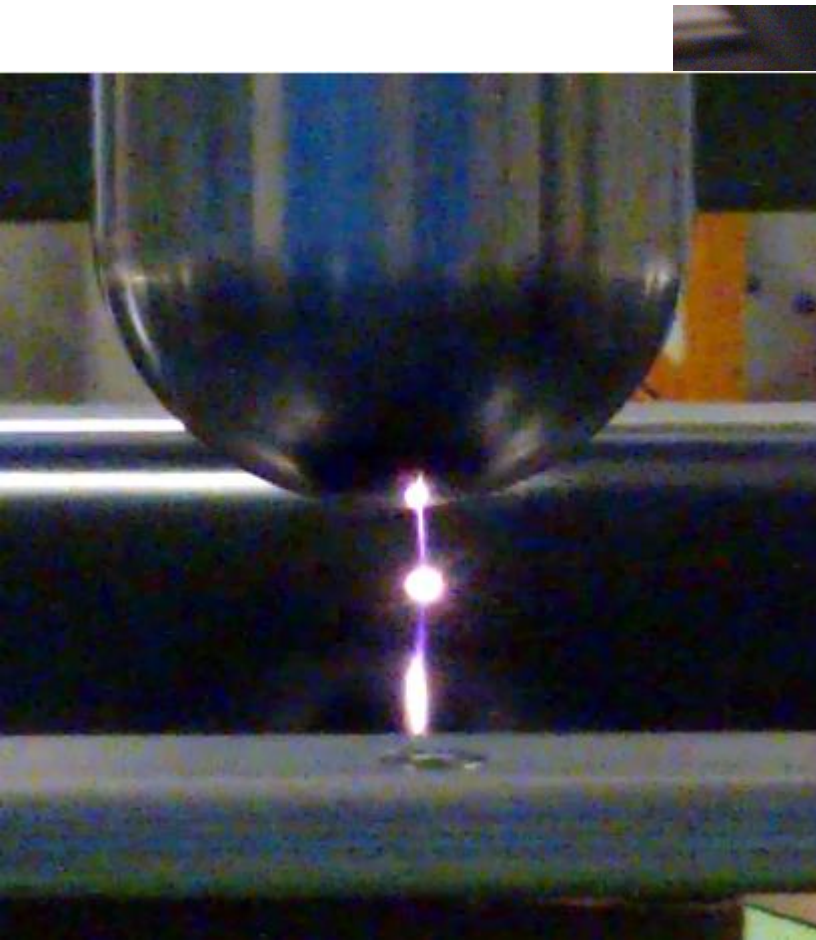


Resistive kapton – room temperature

Discharges from 45 kV/cm, 1-2 Hz rate (depending on current limit)

Sparks are point-like

“Holes” in the material, at the spark position.



Next steps

- Evaluation of behaviour in liquid of Ink print and resistive kapton. Complete ongoing measurements with Micarta.
 - Does the damage produced in air have some effect (lower local resistivity)?
- V – I curve in air and liquid for Ink print and Kapton
- Check of set-up, to avoid bending in liquid
- Operational test with the FLIC set-up ?