MECHANICAL UPDATE

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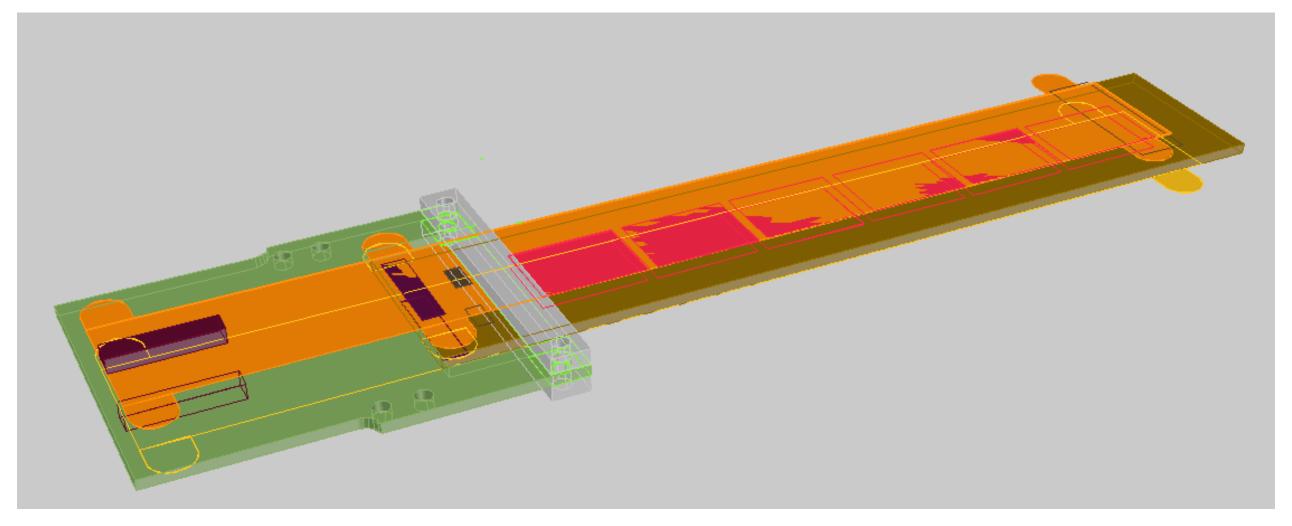




- * SiC foam substrates ordered
 * Difficulty with tolerance on flatness
 * Delivery ~ weeks
- * Ladder/box design modified as per discussion* A few details to finalise before production
- * Assembly scheme proposed







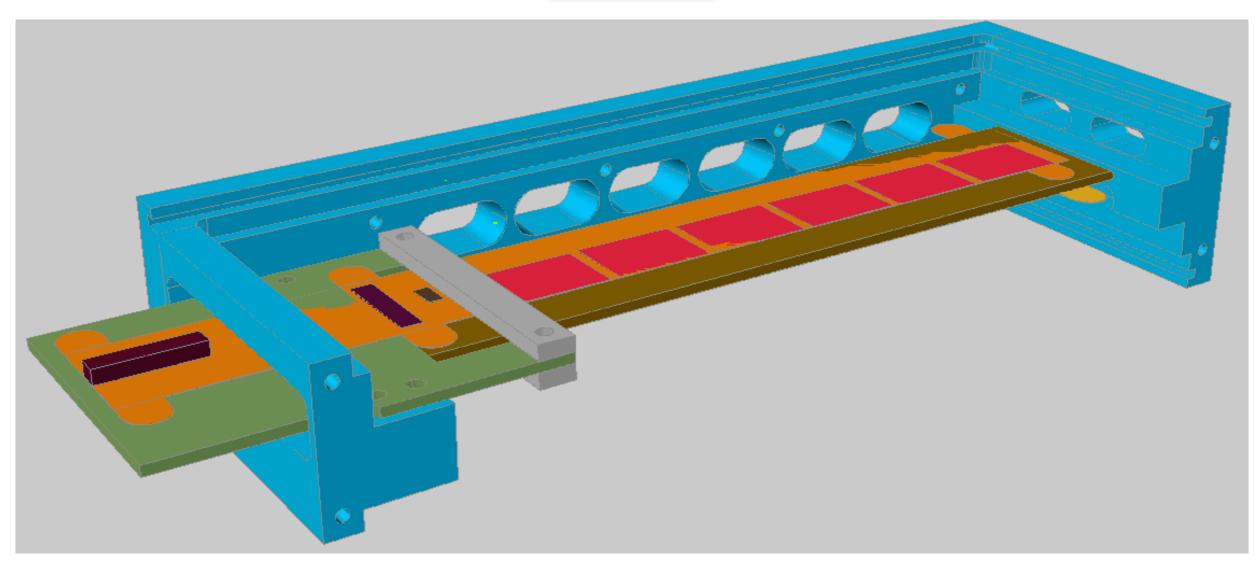
* Ladder now includes end plate

- * Supports flex, allows handling
- * Precision screw mount, no glue joint to box

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* Cross- or length-wise airflow

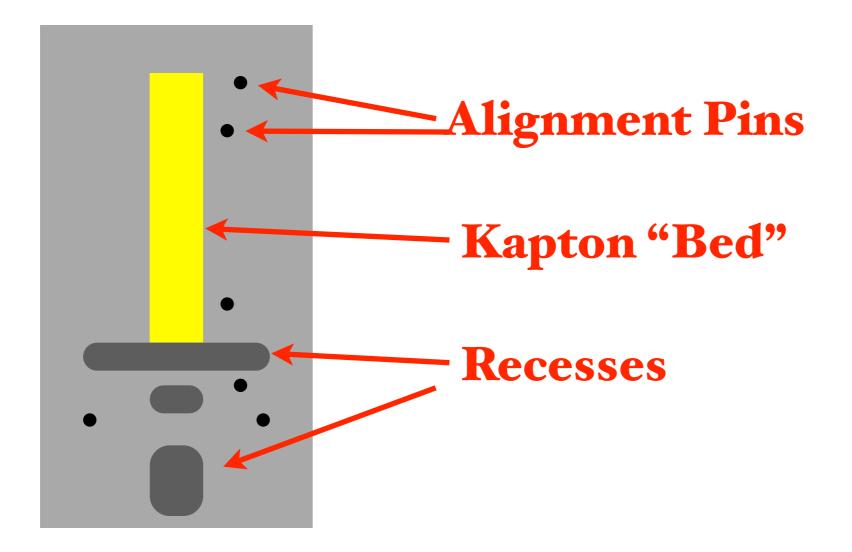
* Foam inserts into slot at far end

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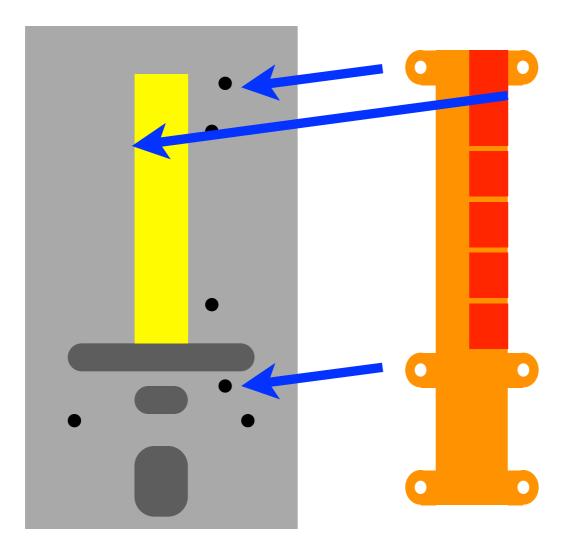
- * Simple, single fixture process
- * Pins align flex tags to endplate precision screw holes







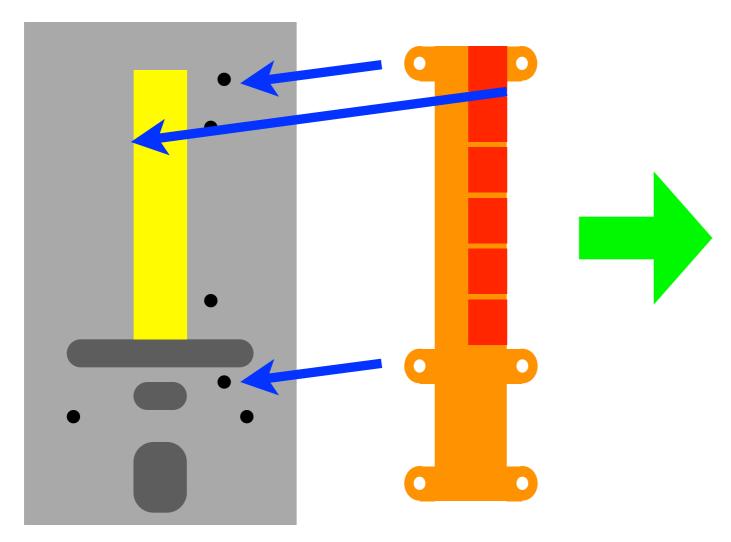
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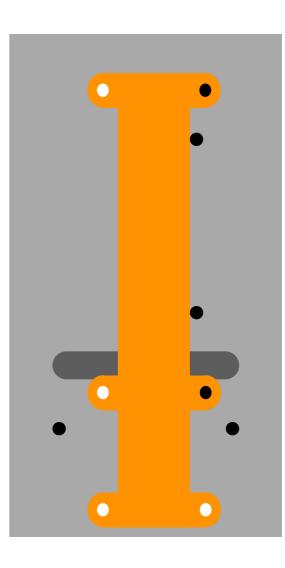






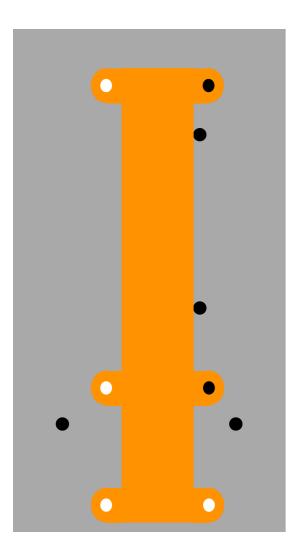
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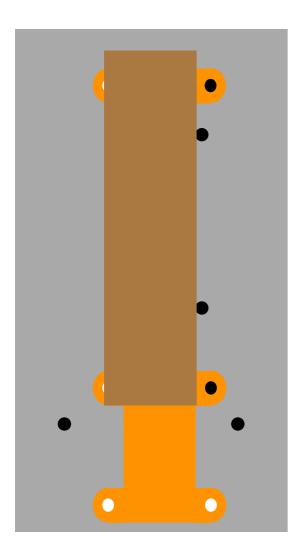




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 Endplate aligned on pins forming joint
 Adhesive cures



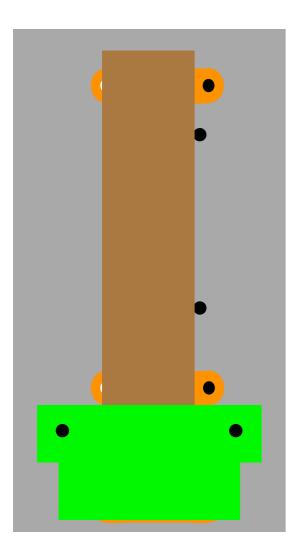




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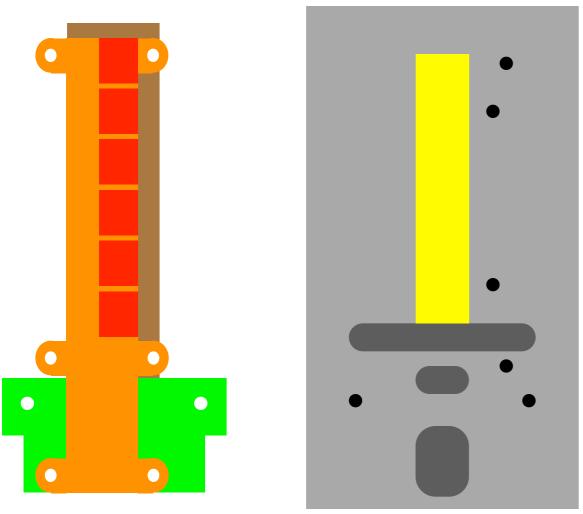


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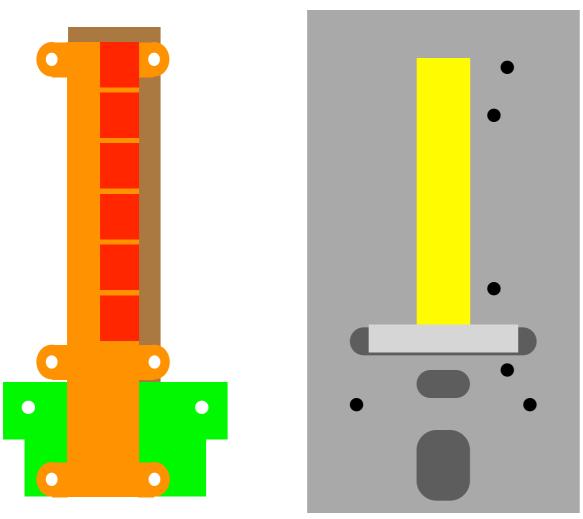
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- 3. Second flex manually placed upside-down on fixture
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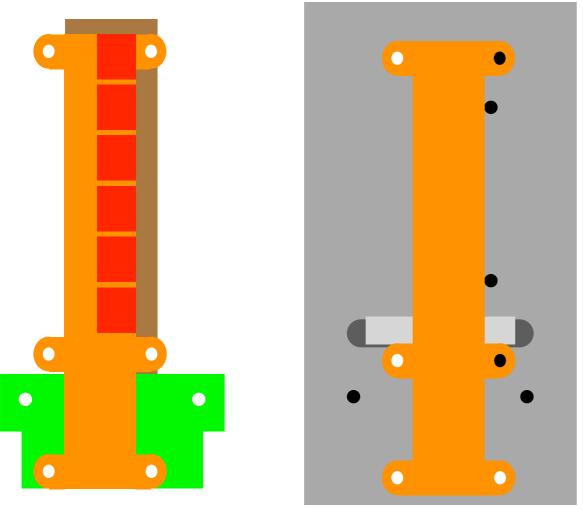
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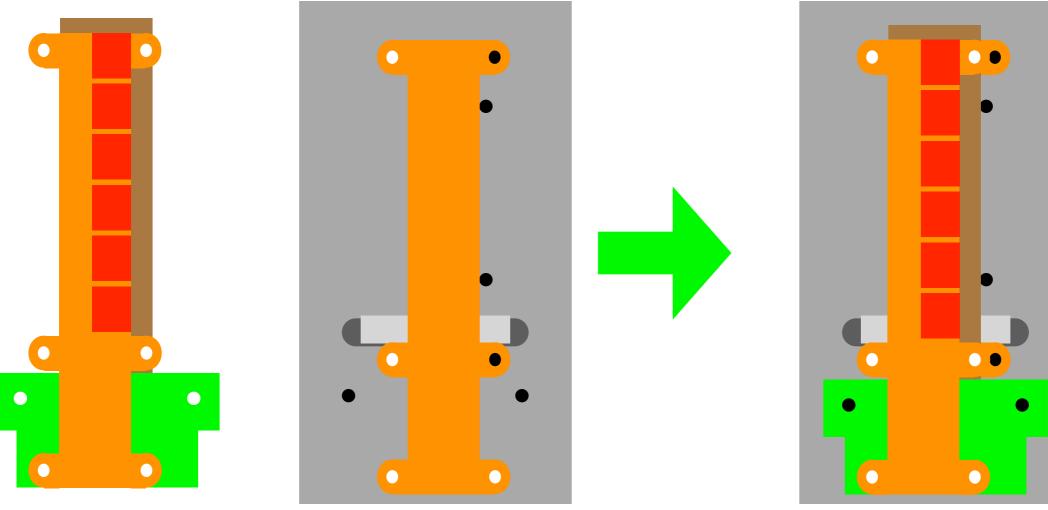
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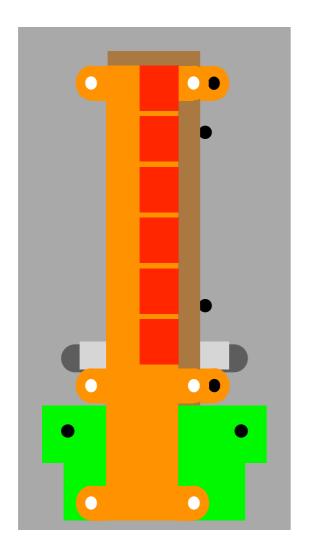
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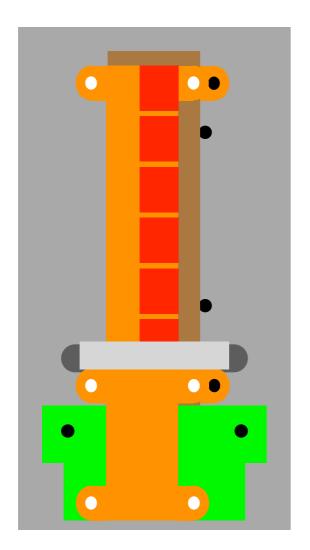




Full structure cures
 Top half of clamp applied
 Ladder removed from fixture
 Inserted into box







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* Need to confirm connection to outside world

- * Screw holes in endplate
- * Box attachment to test rig