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# FOREWORD



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## Dear partners and friends of IKTS,

The year 2016 was another very successful and eventful year. With an order volume amounting to 19 million euros from projects with industry partners, all sites saw a significant increase in income from industry. At the Dresden-Gruna site, we were able to reach the 11 million euros mark for the first time ever. An impressive volume of 18.6 million euros was also generated from publicly funded projects completed in cooperation with industry partners. We have thereby once again demonstrated our relevance as a research partner for industry and will continue to pursue our mission as a Fraunhofer Institute with clear focus on applied research. With a total budget of approx. 54 million euros, we were also able to invest in initial research and equipment (approx. 3 million euros). The support of the Länder of Saxony and Thuringia and the federal government is especially appreciated. We are now optimally equipped to maintain our role as a competent partner for future collaborative efforts with industry.

The development of the non-destructive testing and materials diagnostics site at Dresden-Klotzsche was particularly pleasing. We were able to reach the break-even point in the reporting period and finished the year in the black. The topic of test technologies extending over the entire product life cycle of ceramics and other materials and systems holds an abundance of possibilities for process and product innovation. We will work on extending this topic and integrating it into our core area of structural and functional ceramics with the aim of creating synergetic effects. We will remain true to our strategy of covering all aspects of advanced ceramics as well as the value chain and are always open to suggestions for new topics and other input.

## Fraunhofer IKTS – "one stop shop" for ceramics



We are well prepared for the coming year and will continue to evolve the eight business divisions described in this report. The field of energy and environmental technology will continue to be a core focal point, with main emphasis being placed on storage technology for mobile and stationary applications. Our work on mobile applications will concentrate on Li-ion batteries and will revolve around solid-state batteries as a main topic. The topic of "range extenders" is another target for expansion and will involve fuel cells as well as internal combustion engines. Na/NiCl<sub>2</sub> battery research will be the primary focus in the area of stationary storage systems. In this field, we were able to acquire a new project through the Fraunhofer Future Foundation, enabling us to advance to the system development stage. With regard to batteries, we will focus on materials development and preparation as well as on new process technologies and will employ such strategies as additive manufacturing, which we also hope to further in other areas as new shaping method.

Another goal is the expansion of the topic of ceramics for water and hydrogen technologies. Both our ceramic membranes and our fuel cell systems operated in "reverse mode" as solid oxide electrolysis cells (SOECs) will be used. The combination of these technologies in conjunction with our environmental process technologies allows us to close recycling loops (energy, water, and recovery of valuables). This can also be beneficially applied to agriculture. We are currently planning on launching a research cluster with partner institutes of the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft.

Additional highlights and trends from our business divisions can be found in this report. I hope you find them interesting and inspirational. As always, I invite you to take advantage of our comprehensive well-equipped facilities base and the outstanding IKTS team. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alexander Michaelis

April 2017

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# FRAUNHOFER IKTS IN PROFILE

## PORTRAIT

The Fraunhofer Institute for Ceramic Technologies and Systems IKTS covers the field of advanced ceramics from basic preliminary research through to the entire range of applications. Superbly equipped laboratories and technical facilities covering 30,000 m<sup>2</sup> of useable space have been set up for this purpose at the sites in Dresden and Hermsdorf.

Based on comprehensive materials expertise in advanced ceramic materials, the institute's development work covers the entire value creation chain, all the way to prototype production. Fraunhofer IKTS forms a triad of materials, technology and systems expertise, which is enhanced by the highest level of extensive materials diagnostics. Chemists, physicists, materials scientists and engineers work together on an interdisciplinary basis at IKTS. All tasks are supported by highly skilled technicians.

The focus is placed on manufacturers and especially existing and potential users of ceramics as project partners and customers. Fraunhofer IKTS operates in eight market-oriented divisions in order to demonstrate and qualify ceramic technologies and components for new industries, new product ideas, new markets outside the traditional areas of use. These include Mechanical and Automotive Engineering, Electronics and Microsystems, Energy, Environmental and Process Engineering, Bio- and Medical Technology, Optics, as well as both the conventional Materials and Processes and Materials and Process Analysis as overall interdisciplinary offers. The institute is therefore available as a competent consulting partner and starting point for all ceramics-related issues: a real "one stop shop" for ceramics.

Among our unique areas of expertise, we offer:

### **End-to-end production lines: from starting materials to prototypes**

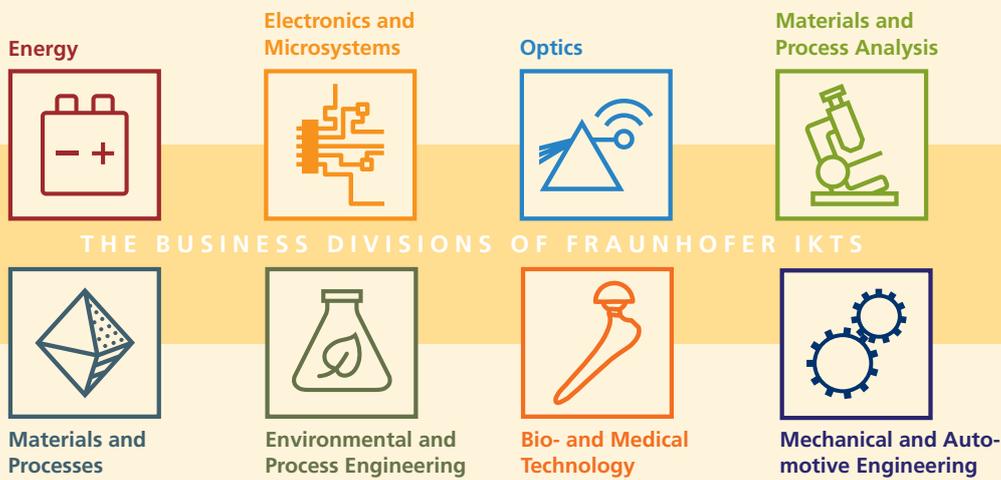
For any class of ceramic materials, we have access to all the standard processes of raw materials preparation, forming, heat treatment and finish processing. Where it makes sense, the institute can even conduct phase synthesis. In functional ceramics, we hold a particular core competency in paste and film technology. Multiple clean rooms and low-contamination production areas are kept at the ready, among other things, for multilayer ceramics and highly purified oxide ceramics lines of technology.

### **Multi-scale development**

Fraunhofer IKTS can convert developments from the lab into the technical standard. There is industrially suited equipment and machinery of the latest designs available for all relevant lines of technology, in order for partners and customers to realize the prototypes and pilot-production series needed for market launch, to develop production processes, and to implement quality processes. Thus, residual cost risks and time to market can be minimized.

### **Synergies between materials and technologies**

The combination of differing technology platforms, of functional and structural ceramics for example, allows for multifunctional components and systems that intelligently exploit ceramic properties. This enables the production of innovative products with markedly added value at low cost.



### Competent analysis and quality assessment

High-performance analysis and quality control are a decisive factor for market acceptance of products, especially in ceramic production processes. Since we understand materials as well as ceramic production processes at a fundamental level, while at the same time master the drafting and integration of complex physical testing systems, we can offer our customers unique solutions for materials issues in production and quality monitoring.

### Network creator

We are currently associated with over 450 national and international partners in our ongoing projects. In addition, Fraunhofer IKTS is active in numerous alliances and networks. Within the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft, for example, we work with the Fraunhofer Group for Materials and Components. Furthermore, Fraunhofer IKTS serves as the spokesperson for the Fraunhofer AdvanCer Alliance, which consists of four institutes that specialize specifically in ceramics. We are in a position to support the development of networks that are needed to develop successful processes, and also to convey and to integrate expertise that goes beyond our own abilities. Our efforts on the front lines of research are based on a wealth of experience and knowledge acquired over many years, which is geared toward our partners' interests.

### Standardized management for sustainable quality assurance

Quality, traceability, transparency and sustainability: to us, these are our most important tools for setting ourselves apart from the competition. The IKTS therefore administers a standardized management system per DIN EN ISO 9001, as well as an environmental management system in accordance with DIN EN ISO 14001. Furthermore, each site of the institute is certified according to additional guidelines, including the German Medical Devices Act, and is regularly subjected to a variety of industrial audits.

# CORE COMPETENCIES OF FRAUNHOFER IKTS

## MATERIALS AND SEMI-FINISHED PARTS

### STRUCTURAL CERAMICS

- Oxide ceramics
- Non-oxide ceramics
- Hard metals and cermets
- Powders and suspensions
- Polymer ceramics
- Fiber composites
- Composite materials
- Ceramic foams

### FUNCTIONAL CERAMICS

- Non-conducting materials
- Dielectrics
- Semiconductors
- Ion conductors
- Magnets
- Pastes and tapes
- Solders, brazes and glass sealings
- Precursor-based inks and nanoinks
- Composites

### ENVIRONMENTAL AND PROCESS ENGINEERING

- Substrates**
  - Granulates
  - Plates
  - Tubes
  - Capillaries
  - Hollow fibers
  - Honeycombs
  - Foams
- Membranes and filters**
  - Oxides, non-oxides
  - Zeolites, carbon
  - MOF, ZIF, composites
  - Ion and mixed conductors
- Catalysts**
  - Oxides
  - Metals, CNT

### RAW MATERIAL AND PROCESS ANALYSIS, MATERIALS DIAGNOSTICS, NON-DESTRUCTIVE EVALUATION

- Analysis and evaluation of raw materials**
  - Analysis of particles, suspensions and granulates
  - Chemical analysis
- In-process characterization in ceramic technology**
  - Characterization
  - Process simulation and design
  - Quality management

- Characterized materials**
  - Steel, non-ferrous metals
  - Ceramics, concrete
  - Materials of semiconductor industry
  - Plastics, composite materials (GFRP und CFRP)
  - Biomaterials and tissues

### Process design, process monitoring

## TECHNOLOGY

## COMPONENTS AND SYSTEMS

### Powder technology

#### Shaping

Heat treatment and sintering

Final machining

Precursor technology

### Fiber technology

#### Additive manufacturing

Pilot production and upscaling

Coating technology

Joining technology

### Thick-film technology

**Multilayer**  
- HTCC, LTCC

**Aerosol and inkjet-printing**

### Thin-film technology

**Electrochemical machining**

**Galvanics**

### Materials separation

- Filtration, pervaporation
- Vapor permeation
- Gas separation
- Membrane extraction
- Membrane distillation
- Electromembrane processes

### Catalysis

### Biomass technology

- Preparation
- Conversion

### Photocatalysis

**Chemical process engineering**

### Component design

#### Prototype production

Wear-resistant components

Tools

**System definition and plant development**

**Modeling and simulation**

**Design and prototype production**

### Samples and prototypes

- Membranes, filters
- Membrane modules
- Membrane plants

### Filtration tests

- Laboratory, pilot, field
- Piloting

### Optical components

Heating systems

Medical device technology and implants

Filters

**Validation/ CE marking**

**Test stand construction**

**Support in field tests**

### Modeling and simulation

- Materials transport
- Heat transport
- Reaction

**Reactor development**

**Plant design**

### Material and component characterization

- Microstructure and phases
- Mechanical and physical properties
- High-temperature properties
- Corrosion

### Component and system behavior

- Damage analysis
- Failure mechanisms
- Measurement and simulation of component behavior
- Testing in accordance with certified and non-certified standards

### Technologies

- Micro- and nanoanalytics
- Ultrasound testing
- High-frequency eddy current
- Optical methods
- X-ray methods

### Components, systems and services

- Sensors and sensor networks
- Testing heads and systems
- Structural health monitoring
- Data analysis and simulation
- Biomedical sensor systems
- Testing in accordance with certified and non-certified standards

**Component behavior, reliability analysis, lifetime and quality management, calibration**

# FRAUNHOFER IKTS IN FIGURES

## FRAUNHOFER IKTS IN PROFILE

### Budget and revenues

The overall budget of Fraunhofer IKTS in 2016 was 53.7 million euros, just short of the previous year's level. All three cost centers contributed to a balanced budget. Business revenues amounted to 19.6 million euros, 3.3 million euros more than in the previous year. The total share yielded from direct industry projects for the institute as a whole was 38.7 %, 5.3 % more than in 2015. Particularly, the Hermsdorf site contributed once again to this success with a volume of 5.4 million euros and a share of 43.1 %. The share of revenues generated through EU projects increased by 160,000 euros to 2.8 %. The majority of these projects (86 %) were housed in Dresden. Over 3 million euros were utilized for new investments at the sites.

### Personnel development

The employee count at IKTS remained at the 2015 level. Changes in personnel capacity requirements were accommodated through redistribution of resources among the various sites. A 6 % increase in technical personnel was offset by the lower number of doctoral students and apprentices due to the successful completion of the respective programs by the outgoing employees. New hires of apprentices are planned for 2017. One focus will be the definition of professional careers for scientists and non-scientists.

### Expansion of the research basis

Within the classic working field of IKTS, the area of additive manufacturing is expanded further. The extended equipment basis enables processing of oxide and non-oxide ceramics.

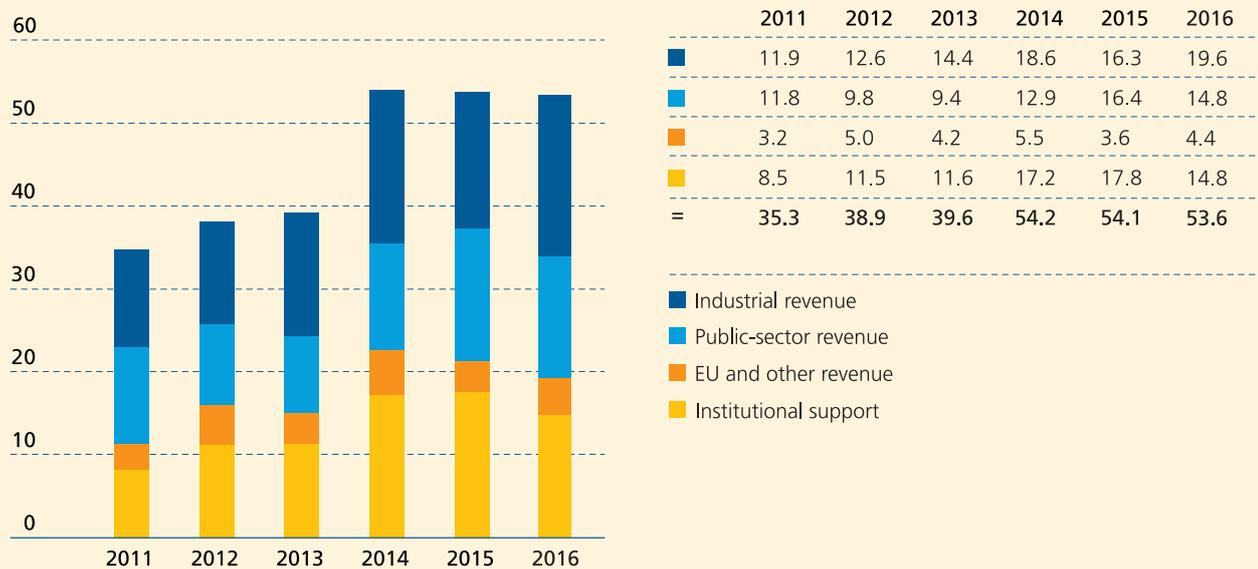
Integration of non-destructive test methods remains a strategic objective for 2017. Significant success has been achieved in the processing of various glass materials via powder-technological routes.

Development of the sintering technology at the Hermsdorf site yielded further improvements in manufacturing of membrane modules. This core area was strengthened through extensive investment in additional equipment.

As an activity operated by Fraunhofer IZI and Fraunhofer IKTS, the Bio-Nanotechnology Application Lab (BNAL) in Leipzig provided greater input to the other sites through the concentrated work of the Attract group. With the biological and medical know-how of Fraunhofer IZI combined with the expertise in developing new ceramic materials and innovative measurement methods of Fraunhofer IKTS, the lab is capable of handling a variety of international projects.

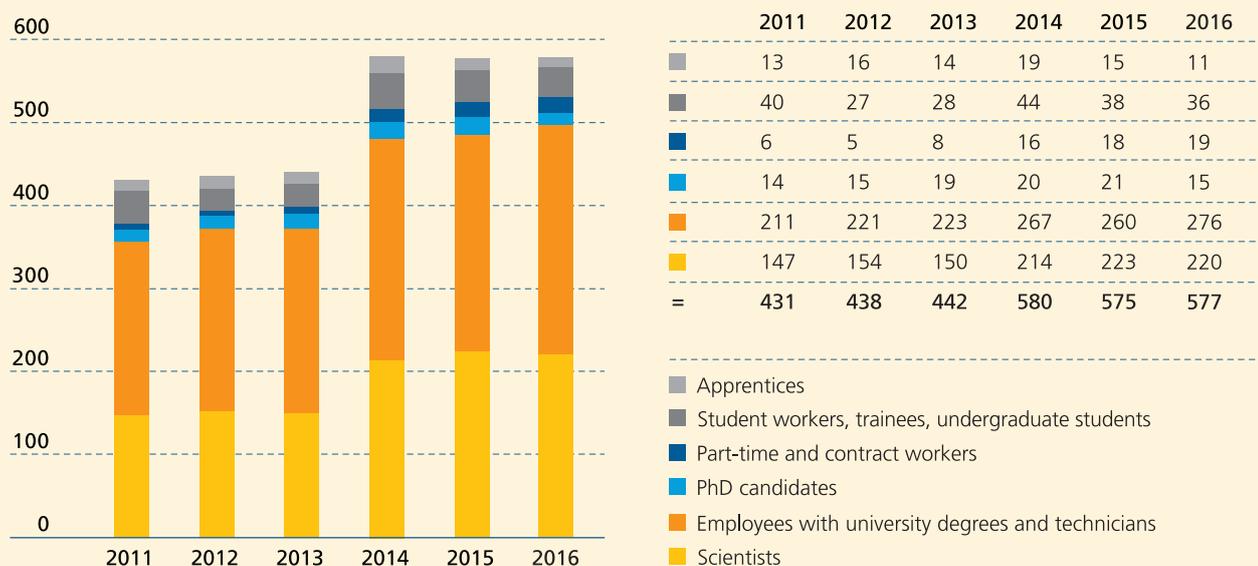


Revenue (in million euros) of Fraunhofer IKTS for the budget years 2011–2016



Personnel developments at Fraunhofer IKTS

Number of employees 2011–2016, full-time equivalents, personnel structure on December 31 of each year



1 Institute management of IKTS, f.l.t.r.: Prof. Michael Stelter, Dr. Christian Wunderlich, Prof. Alexander Michaelis, Dr. Michael Zins, Dr. Ingolf Voigt.

# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

## Institute Director

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## Deputy Institute Director / Head of Administration

Dr. Michael Zins

## Deputy Institute Director / Marketing and Strategy

Prof. Dr. Michael Stelter

## Deputy Institute Director

Dr. Ingolf Voigt

## Deputy Institute Director

Dr. Christian Wunderlich

## Materials

### Nonoxide Ceramics

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- Nitride Ceramics and Structural Ceramics with Electrical Function
- Carbide Ceramics and Filter Ceramics

### Oxide Ceramics

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- Materials Synthesis and Development
- Pilot Manufacturing of High-Purity Ceramics
- Oxide and Polymerceramic Composites\*

### Processes and Components

Dr. Hagen Klemm

- Powder Technology
- Shaping
- Component Development
- Finishing
- Process Technology and Silicate Ceramics

\* certified according to DIN EN ISO 13485

## Sintering and Characterization / Non-Destructive Testing

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- Thermal Analysis and Thermal Physics\*
- Heat Treatment
- Ceramography and Phase Analysis

## Environmental and Process Engineering

### Nanoporous Membranes

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- Zeolite Membranes and Nano-Composites
- Carbon-Based Membranes
- Membrane Prototypes

### High-Temperature Separation and Catalysis

Dr. Ralf Kriegel

- High-Temperature Membranes and Storages
- High-Temperature Separation
- Catalysis and Materials Synthesis

### Biomass Technologies and Membrane Process Engineering

Dr. Burkhardt Faßauer

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- Mixing Processes and Reactor Optimization
- Membrane Process Technology and Modeling
- Technical Electrolysis and Geothermal Energy

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- Process Systems Engineering
- Electrochemistry

## Sites of Fraunhofer IKTS

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Site Dresden-Klotzsche, Saxony

Site Hermsdorf, Thuringia

Project Group Berlin

## Application Center

Battery Technology, Pleiße, Saxony

Bioenergy, Pöhl, Saxony

Bio-Nanotechnology Application Lab BNAL, Leipzig, Saxony

Membrane Technology, Schmalkalden, Thuringia

Tape Casting Center, Hermsdorf, Thuringia

### Technische Universität Dresden

ifWW – Inorganic-Nonmetallic Materials

IAVT – Electronic Packaging Laboratory

DCN – Dresden Center for Nanoanalysis

### Friedrich-Schiller University Jena

Technical Environmental Chemistry

### Iowa State University

Aerospace Engineering

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Jun.-Prof. Henning Heuer

Prof. Dr. habil. Ehrenfried Zschech

Prof. Dr. Michael Stelter

Prof. Dr. habil. Norbert Meyendorf

- Powder and Suspension Characterization\*
- Quality Assurance Laboratory\* and Mechanics Laboratory
- Chemical and Structural Analysis
- Hardmetals and Cermets
- Accredited Test Lab\*      \* accredited according to DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025

### Electronics and Microsystems Engineering

#### Smart Materials and Systems

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- Multifunctional Materials and Components
- Applied Material Mechanics and Solid-State Transducers
- Systems for Condition Monitoring

### Energy Systems / Bio- and Medical Technology

#### Materials and Components

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- Joining Technology
- High-Temperature Electrochemistry and Catalysis
- Ceramic Energy Converters
- Materials MCFC

#### System Integration and Technology Transfer

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- System Concepts
- Validation
- Mobile Energy Storage Systems
- Stationary Energy Storage Systems
- Thin-Film Technologies

#### Bio- and Nanotechnology

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- Biological, immunological and optical Nanosensors
- Acoustical Diagnostics

#### Hybrid Microsystems

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- Microsystems, LTCC and HTCC
- Functional Materials for Hybrid Microsystems
- Systems Integration and Electronic Packaging
- Technical Center Renewable Energy HOT
- Ceramic Tapes

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- Speckle-Based Methods
- Reliability of Microsystems

#### Systems for Testing and Analysis

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- Electronics for Testing Systems
- Software for Testing Systems
- Eddy Current Methods
- Ultrasonic Sensors and Methods

#### Microelectronic Materials and Nanoanalysis

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- Materials and Reliability for Microelectronics

#### Project Group Berlin

Dipl.-Ing. R. Schallert

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## FRAUNHOFER IKTS IN PROFILE

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Head of Department "Bundesländer-Research Institutes"

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Department "Institutional Research"

**Dr. habil. M. Gude**

Thuringian Ministry for the Environment, Energy and Nature Conservation, Erfurt  
Head of Department "Energy and Climate"

**Dr. P. Heilmann**

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Manager

**A. Heller**

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Executive Director

**A. Krey**

State Development Corporation of Thuringia (LEG), Erfurt  
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TRIDELTA GmbH, Hermsdorf  
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Rauschert GmbH, Judenbach-Heinersdorf  
Managing Director

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Saxony Economic Development Corporation, Dresden  
Managing Director

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Endress + Hauser GmbH & Co. KG, Maulburg  
Head of Business Division Sensor Technology

**Dr.-Ing. W. Rossner**

former Siemens AG, München

**Dr. K.-H. Stegemann**

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**MR C. Zimmer-Conrad**

State Minister for Economic Affairs, Labour and Transportation, Dresden  
Head of Department "Innovation Policy, Technology Funding"

# THE FRAUNHOFER-GESELLSCHAFT

Research of practical utility lies at the heart of all activities pursued by the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft. Founded in 1949, the research organization undertakes applied research that drives economic development and serves the wider benefit of society. Its services are solicited by customers and contractual partners in industry, the service sector and public administration.

At present, the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft maintains 69 institutes and research units. The majority of the 24,500 staff are qualified scientists and engineers, who work with an annual research budget of 2.1 billion euros. Of this sum, 1.9 billion euros is generated through contract research. More than 70 % of the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft's contract research revenue is derived from contracts with industry and from publicly financed research projects. Almost 30 % is contributed by the German federal and state governments in the form of base funding, enabling the institutes to work ahead on solutions to problems that will not become acutely relevant to industry and society until five or ten years from now.

International collaborations with excellent research partners and innovative companies around the world ensure direct access to regions of the greatest importance to present and future scientific progress and economic development.

With its clearly defined mission of application-oriented research and its focus on key technologies of relevance to the future, the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft plays a prominent role in the German and European innovation process. Applied research has a knock-on effect that extends beyond the direct benefits perceived by the customer: Through their research and development work, the Fraunhofer Institutes help to reinforce the competitive strength of the economy in their local region, and throughout Germany and Europe. They do so by promoting innovation, strengthening the technological base, improving the acceptance of new technologies, and helping to train the urgently needed future generation of scientists and engineers.

As an employer, the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft offers its staff the opportunity to develop the professional and personal skills that will allow them to take up positions of responsibility within their institute, at universities, in industry and in society. Students who choose to work on projects at the Fraunhofer Institutes have excellent prospects of starting and developing a career in industry by virtue of the practical training and experience they have acquired.

The Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft is a recognized non-profit organization that takes its name from Joseph von Fraunhofer (1787–1826), the illustrious Munich researcher, inventor and entrepreneur.

Fraunhofer locations in Germany



# RETROSPECTIVE



## EVENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

January 28, 2016

### **Competitive advantage through industry 4.0 – innovative processes and process integration for manufacturing**

More than 50 guests were welcomed by HERMOS Systems GmbH, Fraunhofer IKTS, and Bechtle AG to the Industry Night in Dresden-Klotzsche. Through presentations and laboratory tours, participants were introduced to concepts and possibilities for implementing Industry 4.0 in their own companies. The three event organizers, who combined their competencies in this field, presented a wide range of trend-setting solutions for optimization of the entire value chain. Through integration of innovative automation technology, smart sensors, and customized IT, customers now receive tailored system solutions from a single source.

April 28, 2016

### **Girls' Day – future prospects for girls**

Girls and technology go together – at Fraunhofer! With this as a guiding theme, Fraunhofer IKTS presented itself as a training provider to interested girls at the Dresden-Klotzsche site. Participants were invited to try out some of the typical tasks performed by a physics lab technician. Girls performed bending tests on various materials, prepared samples for metallography, and examined metal microstructures under the microscope. The Germany-wide Girls' Day is intended to interest girls in grades 5 and above in vocational training and studies in IT, the trades, natural sciences, and technology.

April 30, 2016

### **Memorandum of understanding signed for collaboration on additive manufacturing of ceramics**

In the presence of Saxon Minister President Stanislaw Tillich, the Institute Director of Fraunhofer IKTS and the Director of the Singapore Center for 3D Printing at the Nanyang Technological University signed a memorandum of understanding on joint research and development work as well as exchange of skilled workers between Saxony and Singapore. The partners hope to



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revolutionize the use of ceramic materials in industry by realizing advanced ceramic components with additive manufacturing. Also known as “3D printing”, additive manufacturing is the computer-controlled buildup of geometrically complex parts layer by layer that cannot be made using conventional methods. With it, customized implants, everyday objects, and even jewelry can be manufactured at a low cost.

May 2, 2016

### Fraunhofer IKTS opens new Tape Casting Competence Center in Hermsdorf

Europe’s most modern Tape Casting Competence Center opened in Hermsdorf, Germany in the presence of Thuringian Minister of Economic Affairs, Science, and Digital Society Wolfgang Tiefensee. The laboratory complex offers diverse processes for tape preparation and deposition as well as technologies for tape drying and post-processing. Tapes made of ceramics and other functional materials form the basis for numerous products found in daily life and industry. These tapes are used in such applications as ceramic microsystems technology (LTCC, HTCC), battery technologies, filtration, and gas separation. The Thuringian Ministry of Economic Affairs, Science, and Digital Society (TMWWDG), the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft, and Fraunhofer IKTS contributed a total of about one million euros towards the construction and equipment of the new center.

May 25, 2016

### Fraunhofer workshop on “Ceramic technologies for power generation and energy storage” in São Paulo, Brazil

Brazil is currently one of the least CO<sub>2</sub>-intensive industrialized nations in the world, with 45 % of its energy needs coming from renewable sources. At the same time, the country is expanding its natural oil and gas production. At the first Fraunhofer workshop, scientists from Fraunhofer IKTS and 40 local experts from science and industry discussed progressive energy tech-

nologies for decentralized power generation as well as the potential of gas separation membranes, high-temperature fuel cells, and stationary batteries.

June 1–2, 2016

### Industry Day “Characterization of mechanical properties at high temperatures”

Determining material parameters at high temperature is considerably more difficult and complex than at room temperature. During the Industry Day with 30 participants, recent developments in the fields of measurement technology and high-temperature measurement methods were presented by means of application examples. At the accompanying industrial exhibition, manufacturers and service providers were on hand to provide information on application trends and state-of-the-art equipment.

1 *Girls investigate the behavior of different materials in bending tests on Girls’Day.*

2 *Thuringian Minister of Economic Affairs Wolfgang Tiefensee (center), Dr. Ingolf Voigt (left) and Beate Capraro (right) open the Tape Casting Competence Center at Fraunhofer IKTS in Hermsdorf.*

3 *Signing of the MoU between Fraunhofer IKTS and Singapore Center for 3D Printing in the presence of Saxon Minister President Stanislaw Tillich.*

4 *Participants of the Fraunhofer workshop on innovative energy technologies in São Paulo.*



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June 10, 2016

### Dresden's Researchers' Night

Nearly 2000 interested visitors strolled through Fraunhofer IKTS and 12 high-performance ceramics stations during Dresden's Researchers' Night. Visitors were invited to learn about 3D printing of ceramics, filter membranes, ceramic implants, and fuel cells through exhibits and experiments, and a laboratory tour gave them a firsthand impression of our research on environment-related topics. Children were able to build a battery out of household items, try out screen printing, and test their knowledge in a quiz. With a total of 700 events and around 35,000 visitors, this was the biggest Dresden's Researchers' Night ever.

June 29, 2016

### SMWA innovation tour is guest at Fraunhofer IKTS

On June 29, 2016, Saxon Minister of Economic Affairs Martin Dulig visited Fraunhofer IKTS as part of his SMWA summer tour on "innovation and the future". In a laboratory talk with experts, he learned about ceramic technologies for sustainable energy generation and storage. Besides fuel cell technologies for energy generation, the ceramic cerenergy® battery and technologies for alternative use and storage of surplus power (power-to-X, biogas pellets, oxygen generator) were discussed.

July 4, 2016

### Science exhibition at Dresden's Neumarkt ("New Market")

From July 4, 2016, to October 3, 2016, a science exhibition organized by the DRESDEN concept network invited passersby at the Neumarkt in Dresden to discover the many facets of the local research landscape. The latest research highlights were presented on large display panels. Visitors could find the answers to questions, such as how often an axolotl could regenerate its legs, how books that were falling apart could become computer-compatible, and what "tactile Internet"

actually means. Fraunhofer IKTS and partners presented solutions for power generation, energy storage, and energy efficiency.

August 17, 2016

### "Die Sendung mit der Maus" filmed at Fraunhofer IKTS

How is an automotive catalytic converter made and how does it work? A film team from the "Sendung mit der Maus" pursued these questions during a visit to Fraunhofer IKTS in Hermsdorf and filmed the entire process chain for producing a honeycomb catalytic converter, through which exhaust gas flows. Through chemical reactions with the washcoat, pollutants, such as carbon monoxide, are converted to harmless substances, such as carbon dioxide and water. The episode aired on October 29, 2016.

October 1–3, 2016

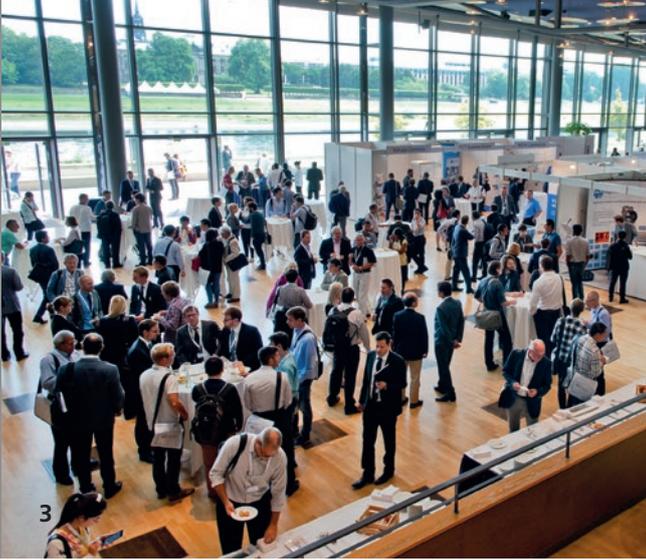
### German Unity Day

The central celebrations for the 2016 German Unity Day were held in the German state of Saxony. The Neumarkt ("New Market") in Dresden was transformed into a Saxon science park, at which research institutions and initiatives demonstrated how versatile, value-adding, and exciting research could be by means of exhibits and experiments. At a group pavilion, the Fraunhofer Institutes presented highlights from biological research, materials science, and production technologies as well as nano- and microelectronics. Fraunhofer IKTS showed a thermoelectric generator for generating power from waste heat. In two presentations, the potential of advanced ceramics in the conversion to renewable energies and in personalized medicine was described.

August 21–25, 2016

### ICC6 | 6th International Congress on Ceramics

More than 650 ceramics experts from 47 countries gathered at the 6th International Congress on Ceramics (ICC6) in Dres-



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den to discuss the latest innovations and scientific findings in the field of advanced ceramics. “From Lab to Fab” was the theme of the approximately 400 talks in 16 parallel symposia addressing the latest research results as well as their manifold possibilities for application in industrial practice. A trade show in which 20 companies and institutions took part and a poster presentation with 120 contributions took place alongside ICC6. This was the first time that the conference was held in Germany, organized by Fraunhofer IKTS and Deutsche Keramische Gesellschaft e. V. (DKG) on behalf of the International Ceramic Federation (ICF).

November 24–25, 2016

**Anodizing – oxide layers from hard to smart**

Anodic oxide layers can be much more than just means of efficient corrosion protection. Participants of the symposium discussed the latest developments and trends in anodization for the medical, automotive, aerospace, energy, facade protection, and environmental engineering industries. The main themes included functionalized surfaces, nanofiltration membranes, and plasmaelectrolytic processes. 50 participants followed the invitation to Dresden.

January 10, 2017

**Pearls of research – future-oriented research in seven minutes**

Ten researchers from the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft and the Max Planck Society presented trendsetting technologies and concepts to German Chancellor Dr. Angela Merkel, Prof. Johanna Wanka (Federal Minister of Education and Research), and Dr. Rainer Sontowski (State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy). The idea for this event arose out of the Innovation Dialog held at the German Chancellery to provide a platform for the Federal Government to receive independent expert advice on questions concerning innovation policy with the participation of high-ranking representatives

from business, science, and society. Dr. Mareike Wolter from Fraunhofer IKTS presented “EMBATT”, an innovative battery concept for electric vehicles with which a range of 1000 kilometers is possible.

January 17–18, 2017

**Ceramics Vision 2017**

At the tenth “Ceramics Vision” symposium, 110 participants discussed new ceramics developments and application trends in energy and environmental technology, medical engineering, and micro- and nanotechnology in Hermsdorf, Thuringia. The presented application areas ranged from energy generation and storage, conditioning of industrial waste water, increasing the efficiency of combustion processes, and sensor systems to ceramic dental components. The potential of additive manufacturing and of ceramic fibers and composite materials for the development of novel high-tech products was also pointed out.

1 Prof. Michael Stelter informs Saxon Minister of Economic Affairs Martin Dulig about energy technologies developed by Fraunhofer IKTS.

2 Saxon Minister of Science and the Arts Dr. Eva-Maria Stange visits the IKTS booth on German Unity Day.

3 ICC6 congress at Dresden International Congress Center.

4 Dr. Mareike Wolter presents the EMBATT battery for electric vehicles to Dr. Angela Merkel, Prof. Johanna Wanka and Dr. Rainer Sontowski (Copyright: Ausserhofer/MPG).



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“Ceramics Vision 2017” was especially dedicated to Dr. Bärbel Voigtsberger and her visionary contributions to Fraunhofer IKTS, the ceramics location of Hermsdorf, and Deutsche Keramische Gesellschaft e. V. (DKG). Voigtsberger was awarded the Fraunhofer Medal for her life’s work.

### Awards

April 14, 2016

#### **NATHüringen permanent membership granted to Fraunhofer IKTS in Hermsdorf**

On April 14, 2016, Fraunhofer IKTS was awarded a permanent membership from the NATHüringen (sustainability agreement of Thuringia) in the Thuringian State Parliament. NATHüringen is a voluntary agreement between the Thuringian State Government and the Thuringian business community in which the participants commit to meeting defined sustainability targets. The aim is to promote the sustainable economic growth of the State of Thuringia. In 2016, the total number of participating companies was 450. Fraunhofer IKTS in Hermsdorf has been participating in NATHüringen every year since 2005, therefore being one of NATHüringen’s first members.

May 11, 2016

#### **Biogas Innovation Award for development of biogas pellets**

In the past, straw utilization in biogas plants was considered to be difficult due to floating layers and an unfavorable mass-to-volume ratio. The straw biogas pellets developed at Fraunhofer IKTS guarantee a considerably higher biogas yield with improved handling and good transportability. For this successful development work, performed within the scope of the BMWi-funded research project “EFFIGEST,” Björn Schwarz received the 10,000-euro Biogas Innovation Award of the German Agricultural Sector for 2016 in the “Science” category.

July 13, 2016

#### **2016 3D InCities Award for Fraunhofer 3D Integration Cluster**

The Fraunhofer 3D Integration Cluster was recognized with the 2016 3D InCities Award in the category of “Research institute of the year.” This international award recognizes the outstanding research performed in 3D packaging technologies by the cluster of Fraunhofer Institutes that includes IKTS, IZM, ENAS, EAS, and IPMS.

September 30, 2016

#### **2016 KGCCI Innovation Award for Fraunhofer IKTS cooperation with iBULE Photonics**

The Korean company iBULE Photonics received the KGCCI Innovation Award of the Korean-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry in the category of “Innovation in business” for the commercial ultrasonic testing of specialty materials. Fraunhofer IKTS developed the sensors used for testing in close cooperation with InfraTec GmbH.

October 24, 2016

#### **Prof. Michaelis named Fellow of the American Ceramic Society**

The American Ceramic Society (ACerS) named Fraunhofer IKTS Director Prof. Alexander Michaelis “Fellow of the Society” for his long commitment and outstanding contributions to applied research and development of advanced ceramics.

October 31, 2016

#### **IEC 1906 Award for technical standards for use of nanomaterials**

For his instrumental role in the formulation of technical standards for use of nanomaterials in nano-based electrochemical storage systems, Dr. Mihails Kusnezoff was honored with the



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IEC 1906 Award of the German Commission for Electrical, Electronic, and Information Technologies of DIN and VDE (DKE). Within the framework of this initiative, three standards pertaining to key characteristics of nanoproduction were developed and implemented in a technical standard (IEC/TS).

November 15, 2016

**Dr. Klaus Seppeler Foundation Prize for master's thesis**

Tobias Liebmann received this year's Dr. Klaus Seppeler Foundation Prize from the Society for Corrosion Protection (GfKORR) for his master's thesis on wrought aluminum alloys. These extremely strong alloys are used as lightweight construction materials, e.g., in aircraft fuselages. By means of anodization, metals can be protected against corrosion or prepared with alloys for subsequent bonding or painting. With the newly gained knowledge, it is now possible to apply anodization processes more precisely and generate suitable parameters for optimum corrosion protection of materials.

November 16, 2016

**Dissertation on ceramic thermoelectric materials recognized**

For his dissertation on ceramic thermoelectric materials, Dr. Bing Feng received the Junior Prize of the German Thermoelectric Society (DTG). The ceramic nano-TEG materials developed over the course of the dissertation work are efficient and inexpensive. They have the potential to enable economically attractive use of waste heat in industrial processes and hence reduce the environmental impact of technological processes.

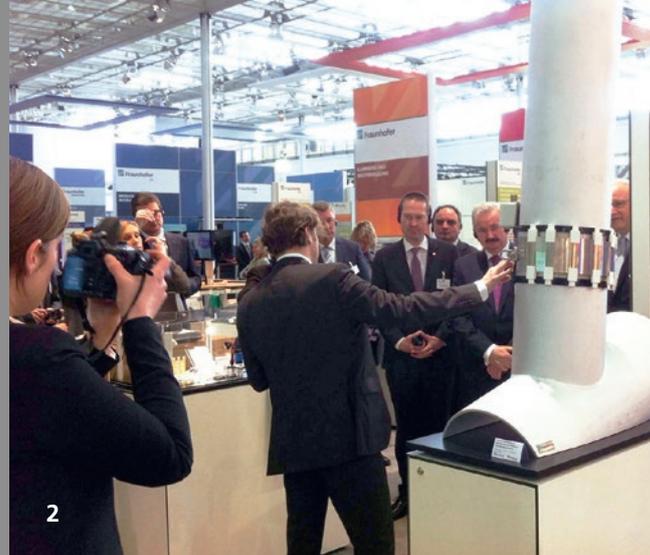
January 23, 2017

**ACerS Best Paper Award for publication on particulate filters**

The Best Paper Award (1<sup>st</sup> prize) of the Engineering Ceramics Division of the American Ceramic Society (ACerS) in 2016

went to Jörg Adler and Dr. Uwe Petasch from Fraunhofer IKTS for their research on optimization of engine exhaust particulate filters. The talk presented at the International Conference on Advanced Ceramics & Composites in Daytona Beach, Florida, showed how optimally adjusted membrane coatings could improve the efficiency of particulate filters.

- 1 Prof. Alfred Gossner, member of the Fraunhofer executive board, presents the Fraunhofer medal to Dr. Bärbel Voigtsberger at Ceramics Vision 2017.
- 2 Awarding of the "NATHüringen" permanent membership to Dr. Ingolf Voigt and Dr. Jürgen Böer.
- 3 ACerS president Dr. Mrityunjay Singh names Prof. Alexander Michaelis "Fellow of the Society".
- 4 IEC 1906 Awards presentation, f.l.t.r.: Michael Teigeler (CEO of DKE), Dr. Mihails Kusnezoff (Fraunhofer IKTS) and Dr. Bernhard Thies (spokesperson of DKE executive board) (Source: DKE).



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## TRADE FAIR REVIEW 2016 – SCIENCE TO MARKET

Pioneering ceramic technologies for energy storage and converters, personalized medicine and energy-efficient materials separation processes: research highlights from Fraunhofer IKTS were presented at 41 German and international trade shows in 2016.

The lowest-cost battery in the world, currently being developed at Fraunhofer IKTS in Hermsdorf, was presented at the **Energy Storage** in Dusseldorf. With *cerenergy*<sup>®</sup>, researchers have developed an inexpensive, maintenance-free high-temperature rechargeable battery that can also be used for stationary storage of large amounts of energy from wind power plants, solar parks, and fuel cells. Through the combination of easily available raw materials, such as clay or table salt, and state-of-the-art ceramic processes, system costs can be brought down to less than 300 euros per kWh. At **Hannover Messe**, the entire energy value chain was shown according to the trade fair's theme "Integrated Energy – the energy system of the future". In this context, Fraunhofer IKTS presented ceramic thermoelectric generators (TEGs), that can be economically manufactured and be applied at operating temperatures of up to 1000 °C. At the world's largest industrial event in the state capital of Lower Saxony, a new development from the field of condition monitoring was premiered. Fraunhofer IKTS showed its novel sensor ring for the permanent monitoring of offshore wind turbines. This is especially challenging for the divers who periodically check the particularly vulnerable welds at the anchors. With the new sensor collar, this hitherto tedious and lengthy underwater process can be completed in a few minutes. For the measurement, the diver couples a handheld unit to the collar via an interface and starts the examination with the push of a button. Ultrasonic waves are used for detection of cracks and other defects.

For years, 3D printers have been used for converting digitized datasets to plastically formable metal or plastic parts. Fraunhofer IKTS has now paved the way for biocompatible high-performance ceramics. At **MedTec** in Stuttgart, Germany and **AMX** in Lucerne, Switzerland, the future of personalized medicine was revealed. With different and partially combined additive methods, bone implants, dental prostheses, or surgical instruments can be manufactured with minimal resource consumption and no tools or limitations on design. 3D printing in particular can also be used for hardmetals with maximum design freedom as well as a quality comparable to that achieved using conventional methods. At **WorldPM** in Hamburg, Germany, visitors could gain an impression of the possibilities this opens up for toolmaking.

In the area of membrane process technology, the activities of Fraunhofer IKTS also played an important role in the trade fair participations in 2016. Canada is second only to Saudi Arabia in terms of oil reserves. The oil is bound in sand and has been extracted in a water-intensive process since the turn of the millennium. At **IFAT** in Munich, Germany, IKTS researchers informed about a method for increasing the cost-effectiveness and sustainability of the process by utilizing the waste water with nanofiltration membranes for additional process steps. Because of their resistance to organic constituents and oils, their desalination properties, and their thermal stability, these membranes are ideal for efficient oil treatment.



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**European 3D Summit**

Grenoble, January 18–20

**nano tech**

Tokyo, January 27–29.

**Photonics West**

San Francisco, February 16–18

**FC Expo**

Tokyo, March 2–4

**Battery Japan**

Tokyo, March 2–4

**Essener Tagung**

Essen, March 2–4

**JEC World Composites**

Paris, March 8–10

**Energy Storage**

Dusseldorf, March 15–17

**Electronica China**

Shanghai, March 15–17

**Thür. Trinkwassertagung**

Jena, April 6–7

**MedTec Europe**

Stuttgart, April 12–14

**Wind & Maritim**

Rostock, April 13–14

**ThEGA-Forum**

Weimar, April 18

**Powtech**

Nuremberg, April 19–21

**Hannover Messe**

Hannover, April 25–29

**Biogas Innovation Congress**

Osnabrück, April 26–27

**Control**

Stuttgart, April 26–29

**Printed Electronics**

Berlin, April 27–28

**ACHEMAsia**

Beijing, May 9–12

**PCIM Europe**

Nuremberg, May 10–12

**Sensor+Test**

Nuremberg, May 10–12

**Innovationsforum**

**Spreu-Stroh**  
Chemnitz, May 19–20

**IFAT**

Munich, May 30 – June 3

**Umweltwoche**

Berlin, June 7–8

**Cancer Diagnostics**

Rome, June 13–15

**WCNDT**

Munich, June 13–17

**Actuator**

Bremen, June 13–15

**Rapidtech**

Erfurt, June 21–23

**EFCF**

Lucerne, July 5–8

**ICC6**

Dresden, August 21–25

**Ostthür. Kooperationsbörse**

Dornburg, September 15

**AM Expo**

Lucerne, September 20–21

**Innotrans**

Berlin, September 20–23

**WorldPM**

Hamburg, October 9–13

**World Cancer Congress**

Paris, October 31 –  
November 3

**FAD Conference**

Dresden, November 3–4

**Electronica**

Munich, November 8–11

**Thüringer Unternehmertag**

Erfurt, November 9

**MEDICA**

Dusseldorf, November 13–17

**Formnext**

Frankfurt a.M.,  
November 15–18

**Thüringen Erneuer!bar**

Weimar, November 17

**ADeKo Conference**

Dresden, November 17–18

**Hagener Symposium**

Hagen, November 24–25

**Composites**

Stuttgart, November 29 –  
December 1

**ThEEN-Innovationsdialog**

Erfurt, November 30

1 *Dr. Matthias Schulz presents cerenergy® battery in Hannover.*

2 *Dr. Holger Neubert informs Fraunhofer president Prof. Reimund Neugebauer about systems for condition monitoring.*

3 *Dr. Sylvia Gebhardt shows piezoceramic components at Actuator trade fair.*

4 *Stefan Rothe explains IKTS fuel cell technology at the European Fuel Cell Forum in Lucerne.*

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM OUR BUSINESS DIVISIONS

## Materials and Processes



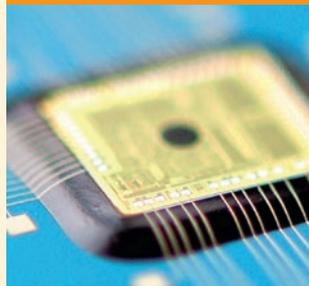
■ The “Materials and Processes” business division provides a central point of contact for all matters related to development, manufacturing, and qualification of high-performance ceramics for a wide range of applications. A wealth of experience has been accumulated in all relevant materials and technologies, for which requirement-related functional solutions are developed. The scope of activities encompasses the entire process chain, making this division crucial to all other business divisions.

## Mechanical and Automotive Engineering



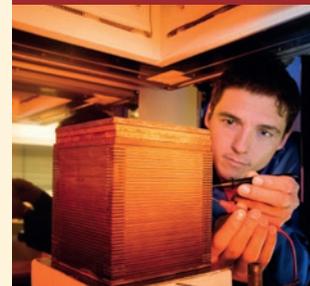
■ High-performance ceramics are key components in mechanical and automotive engineering. Due to their outstanding properties, they are often the only available options. The “Mechanical and Automotive Engineering” business division offers high-performance ceramic, hard metal, and cermet wear parts and tools as well as parts for specific loading conditions. A new core area comprising test systems for monitoring components and production facilities based on optical, elastodynamic, and magnetic effects has also been established.

## Electronics and Microsystems



■ The “Electronics and Microsystems” business division offers manufacturers and users unique access to materials, technologies, and know-how to help them develop robust, high-performance electronic components. Focus is on sensors and sensor systems as well as power electronic components and “smart” multifunctional systems. With the help of innovative test methods and systems, Fraunhofer IKTS provides support along the entire value-added chain – from materials to integration of complex electronic systems.

## Energy



■ Ceramic materials and technologies form the basis for improved and fundamentally new applications in energy technology. To that end, Fraunhofer IKTS develops, builds, and tests innovative components, modules, and complete systems, focusing mainly on ceramic solid-state ionic conductors. Applications range from electrochemical energy storage systems and fuel cells, solar cells, energy harvesting modules, and thermal energy systems to solutions for biofuels and chemical fuels.

## Environmental and Process Engineering



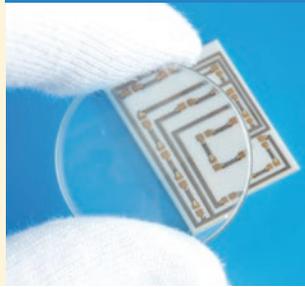
Fraunhofer IKTS develops innovative materials, technologies, and systems for safe, efficient, environmentally, and climate-friendly conversion of energy and substances. Focus is on processes involving conventional and biological energy sources as well as strategies and processes for water and air purification and treatment, and for recovery of valuable raw materials from waste. New reactor designs for the chemical industry are made possible by ceramic technologies.

## Bio- and Medical Technology



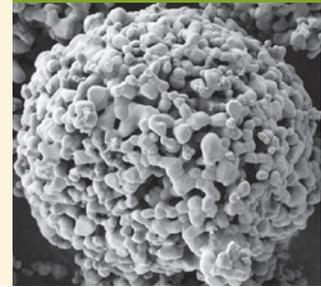
Fraunhofer IKTS makes use of the outstanding properties of ceramic materials to develop dental and endoprosthetic implants and surgical instruments. In well-equipped, certified laboratories, the interactions between biological and synthetic materials are investigated and applied towards the development of improved materials, analytics, and diagnostics. In part unique optical, acoustic, and bioelectrical techniques are available for this purpose.

## Optics



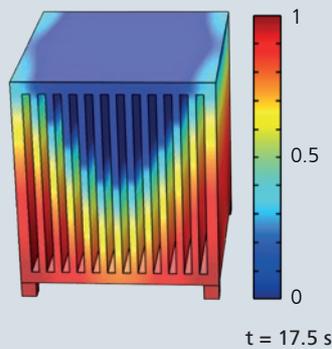
Fraunhofer IKTS develops ceramic materials and components for photonics, lighting applications, and ballistic protection. Phase synthesis combined with materials and technology expertise yields innovative luminescent materials, active optoceramics, optical and decorative elements, and transparent ceramics for defense applications. Optical technologies are also used in measurement and diagnostic systems in medicine, life sciences, and industry.

## Materials and Process Analysis

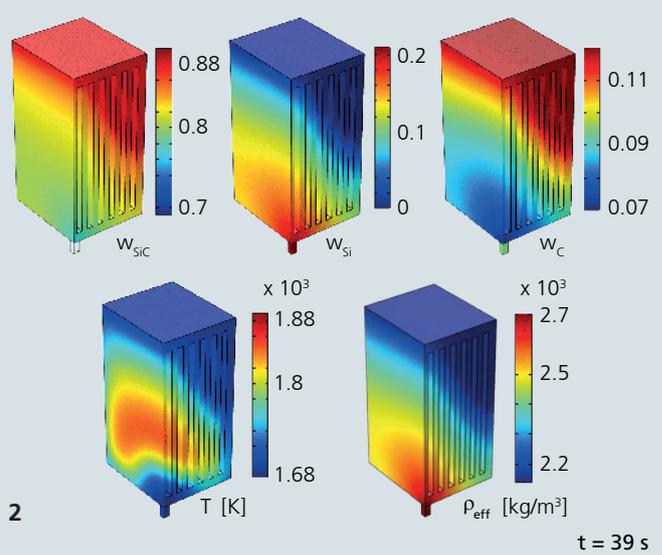


Fraunhofer IKTS offers a wide range of test, characterization, and analysis methods for materials properties and production processes. As a reliable, multiply accredited, and audited service provider, Fraunhofer IKTS assists in the investigation of fundamental aspects of materials science, application-specific issues, and measurement-related developments. Characteristic parameters are not only determined but also interpreted within the context of the respective application to uncover any potential for optimization.

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## SIMULATION TOOL FOR THE OPTIMIZED MANUFACTURING OF CERAMIC MODULES

Dr. Wieland Beckert, Dr. Steffen Kunze, Dipl.-Krist. Jörg Adler

Reaction bonding is a well-known and widely used technology for manufacturing of high-quality engineering ceramic components, especially liquid silicon-infiltrated silicon carbide (SiSiC) components. In this process, a porous compacted preform (C-SiC) is infiltrated with molten silicon and converted through a reaction ( $\text{Si}[\text{liquid}] + \text{C} \rightarrow \text{SiC}$ ). Ceramic structure formation takes place not in the usual way via a sintering process, but instead in a nearly shrinkage-free manner via chemical reactions in which secondary binder phases are formed between the primary particles. The process is complex and error-prone (non-uniform filling, crack formation). Process control is usually purely empirical in practice because of the lack of standard modeling tools for the process.

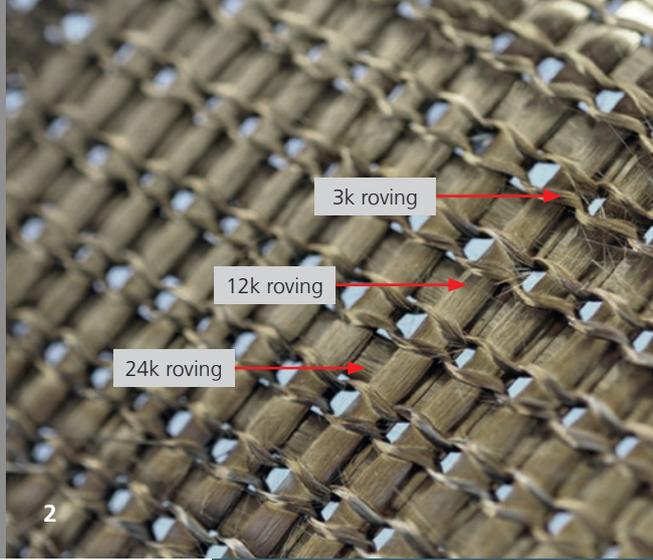
A simulation platform for modeling of the process of reactive melt infiltration and reaction bonding in ceramic components was developed as part of a Fraunhofer-internal SMB-oriented research (MEF) project. The model was validated with a prototype. The model describes the fluid, heat, and substance transformation processes – extension to the induced thermomechanical stresses is planned. Modeling is based on a homogenized continuum description of the porous structure: the flow description utilizes a porous two-phase fluid approach (melt + inert gas/vacuum) with capillary pressure as the driving force for melt infiltration. Transport of thermal energy by convection, heat conduction, and radiation as well as any occurring substance transformations and heats of reaction are balanced. The model accounts for changes in the structural parameters (permeability, porosity, etc.) occurring during the process as a result of saturation and substance transformation by applying common correlations (van Genuchten approach, etc.) and simple models

(reaction capillary model). A key priority was to keep the number of parameters to a minimum. The model was implemented using the COMSOL multiphysics finite element code and enables the analysis of 3D components.

The model allows the propagation of the infiltration, reaction, and temperature fronts in the component over time to be mapped and hence provides the possibility of analyzing various effects, such as the positioning of the melt supply wicks, the preform structural parameters (composition, pore distribution, etc.) and the process control parameters, as well as providing information on quantities (temperature, composition) inside the part that are difficult to access experimentally in-situ. The objective of the analysis is to optimize the process in order to avoid the formation of weld lines and high thermal gradients in critical zones of the component as a way of improving component quality and reducing the risk of failure.

A SiSiC heat exchanger segment was manufactured and analyzed as a practical technology demonstrator. The results widely confirmed the model predictions, for example, for the filling front propagation. The model can be applied to a variety of component geometries and may be adapted to alternate material systems.

- 1 Example model results for various quantities.
- 2 Comparison of the infiltration saturation of model prediction and actual component (partially filled).



# FUNCTIONAL THIN FILMS BY ATOMIC LAYER DEPOSITION (ALD)

Dr. Jonas Sundqvist, Dipl.-Phys. Mario Krug, Dr. Mandy Höhn

## ALD Lab Saxony

Atomic layer deposition (ALD) is currently the fastest growing thin-film deposition technology, boasting an annual equipment and precursor market volume in excess of USD two billion. Over the last decade Dresden has become a hotbed for ALD. In spring 2016, ALD Lab Saxony was founded as a division of Cool Silicon e. V. within Silicon Saxony e. V. It combines several universities and research institutes from Saxony and forms the largest German ALD cluster. Fraunhofer IKTS is one of the founding members of ALD Lab Saxony. Members from ALD Lab Saxony took part in the ALD conference 2016 in Dublin, Ireland, as chairs and attendees, presenting a total of 18 contributions (posters and talks).

CVD and ALD deposition techniques present diverse possibilities for accommodating the heightened interest in thin and ultrathin conformal coatings for numerous applications seen today. Fraunhofer IKTS possesses capabilities for coating fiber materials and textile preforms with protective layers by ALD and CVD. Besides offering barrier and protective layers, Fraunhofer IKTS has a strong focus on ALD applications in the field of energy harvesting and storage systems. Ultrathin conformal coatings made of advanced multicomponent layers and nanolaminates are offered for backside passivation in photovoltaic devices and as lifetime enhancement layers in Li-ion batteries. Coating of powders is performed by ALD and CVD with a rotating drum technology.

## Established ALD processes at Fraunhofer IKTS

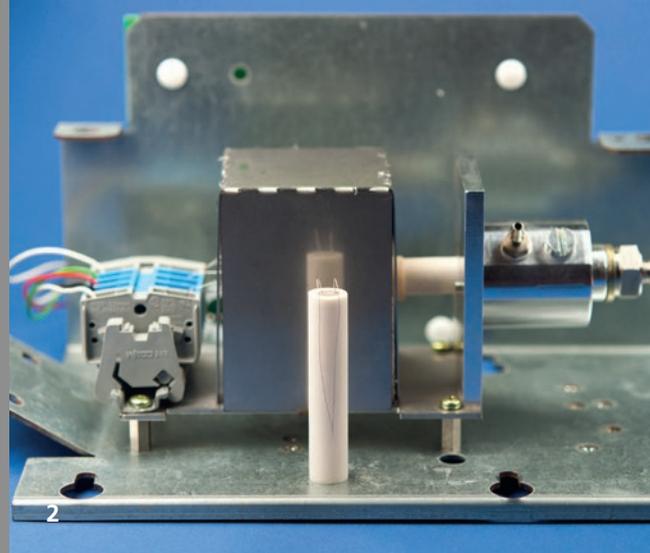
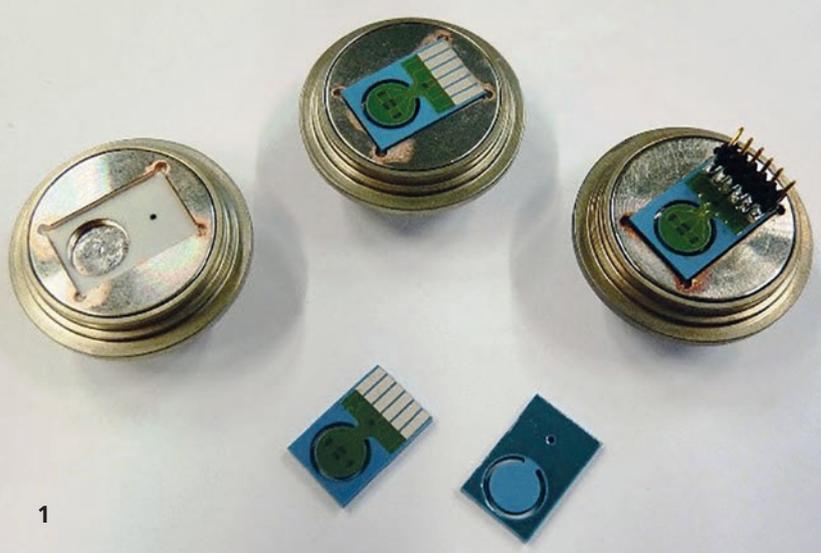
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SiO <sub>2</sub>	SAM24		
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	TMA		Optics, electronics, PV, barrier, fibers, powder
ZnO	DEZ	60–400	
TiO <sub>2</sub>	TTIP		
HfO <sub>2</sub>	TEMAHf		
TiN	TiCl <sub>4</sub>	300–600	Barrier

## Core competencies in ALD processing at Fraunhofer IKTS:

- Continuous roll-to-roll ALD of endless fibers and rovings
- Batch ALD for textile preforms
- ALD on particles and powders
- ALD barrier technology for displays, flexible electronics, and packaging
- Protective layers for tool applications
- Backside passivation for Si photovoltaics



- 1 Roll-to-roll ALD/CVD coating device.
- 2 ALD-coated textile preform made of carbon fibers with three different types of rovings for special components in high-performance applications.



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# INTERCONNECT TECHNOLOGIES FOR CERAMIC-BASED SENSORS

Dr. Jochen Schilm, Dr. Mihails Kusnezoff, Dr. Uwe Partsch

In industrial processes and plants, measurement of various parameters and quantities at high temperatures in corrosive environments by means of sensors is necessary for optimal process control. Sensors based on ceramic materials are becoming increasingly important because of their ability to be used at very high temperatures in aggressive liquid as well as gaseous environments.

In addition to ceramic sensors for measurement of temperature and chemical parameters, especially the measure of pressure, force, flow, and position sensors, occupying about one-third of the market volume for sensors, are being increasingly targeted as a market for ceramic materials. Integration of ceramic sensors represents a challenge due to the need for a hermetically sealed, thermally stable, corrosion-resistant, and low-stress metal-ceramic composite designs for the implementation of ready-to-use standard housings and connections for end users.

In order to meet these challenging joining tasks, Fraunhofer IKTS can develop and adapt the compositions of solder glasses to properties, such as softening behavior, coefficient of thermal expansion, corrosion stability, and compatibility with ceramic and metal joining partners. Furthermore, the processing of glass frits to form powders with defined properties and their transfer to ready-to-use slurries, pastes, and cast tapes offer flexible technological solutions.

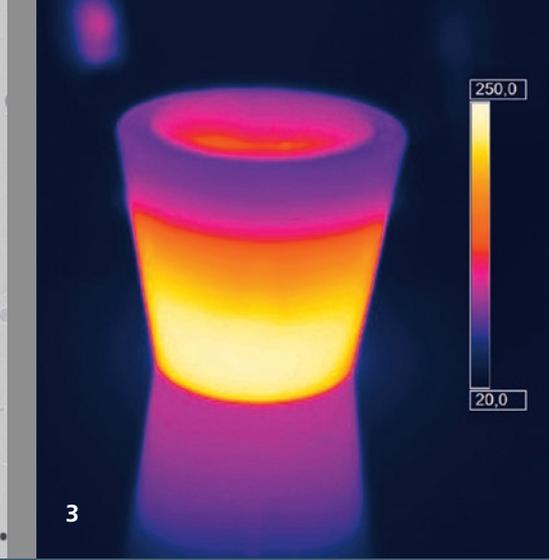
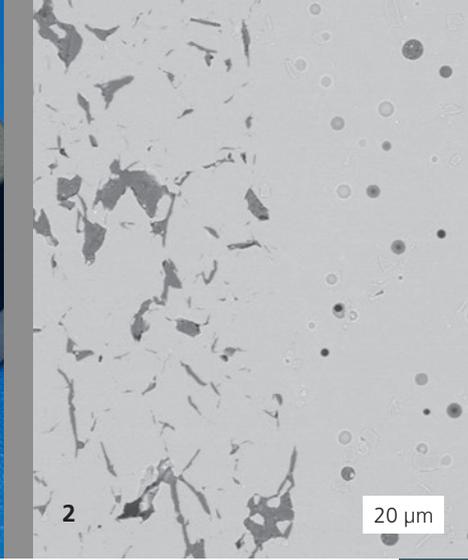
Active metal brazing (AMB) technology based on metal alloys provides reliable and thermally stable metal-to-ceramic joints. Joining processes using active metal brazes have been developed at Fraunhofer IKTS not only for sensor applications but

also for thermoelectric modules, fuel cells (SOFCs), high-temperature batteries (ZEBRA) and structural ceramic components. With simulation-assisted component design, ceramic-compatible joints can be realized.

These joining technologies can be combined to yield adjusted multistage joining processes for process capability, reliable thermal loading of components, and thermomechanical stress-free integration of ceramic sensor elements into ceramic as well as metal housings and connections.

Selected examples illustrate the possibilities for different sensor types. Glass-ceramic solders from SOFC technology were adapted to join ZrO<sub>2</sub>-based oxygen sensors (400 °C to 800 °C) (Figure 2). Miniaturized semiconductor technology-based MEMS sensor elements bonded to ceramic bodies with low-melting glass solders enable the measurement of pressure and acceleration in attitude sensors up to 160 °C. LTCC-based pressure sensors were integrated into standard steel threaded and bayonet connections for measurements up to 250 bar at 300 °C via a three-stage joining process using brazes, active filler metals, and glass solders (Figure 1). Glass solders with optimized corrosion resistance extend the application ranges of capacitive pressure sensors made of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> ceramics in extremely corrosive liquid media to 150 °C and 180 bar.

- 1 LTCC pressure sensor integrated in a stainless steel adapter via a multistage joining process.
- 2 O<sub>2</sub> sensor joined to ceramic body with a glass-ceramic solder.



## NOVEL GLASS HEATING ELEMENTS BY TWO-COMPONENT INJECTION MOLDING

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Glass powder injection molding offers an alternative, powder-based route to conventional glass component manufacturing, which mainly starts from a molten glass. It allows for large-scale production of glass components with complex geometries, microstructured surfaces, and sharp edges without any additional costly grinding or etching steps. The final product properties are attained by debinding and sintering, as is the case for ceramic components. As a special advantage of the powder-based shaping route, additional functionalization of the glass component can be achieved through addition of secondary phases, such as pigments or graphite powder in particle form. For instance, an electrically conductive glass component that can be used as a heating element owing to its ohmic resistance has been attained by the addition of graphite powder.

One special variant of powder injection molding originating from two-color injection molding of polymers is the so-called two-component injection molding process, which was recently developed at Fraunhofer IKTS for producing ceramic components with a combination of properties, such as electrical conductivity and electrical insulation or hardness and ductility as well as stainless steel–zirconia compounds. Now this shaping method has been used for combining electrically conductive and electrically insulating sintered glasses. For successful combination of the two glasses in a subsequent co-firing process, comparable thermal expansion coefficients and comparable shrinking behavior were necessary requirements.

In the present case, two commercially available glass powders (8330 and 8250, SCHOTT AG) were mixed with graphite (KS 15, Imerys) to yield distinct electrical conductivity. Shrinkage of

the electrically insulating glass component was adjusted by adding alumina powder. As an outcome of the project, electrically heatable glass nozzles and crucibles were manufactured.

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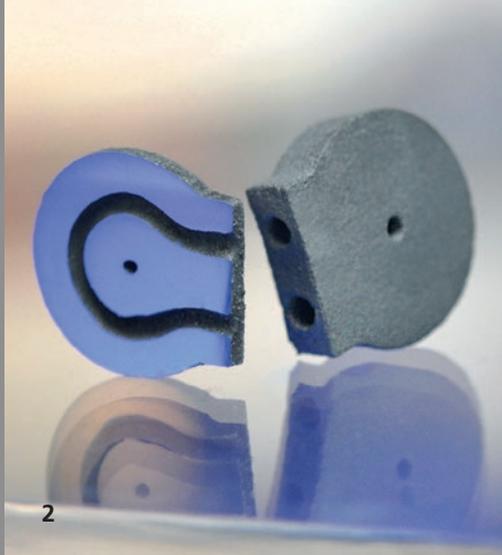
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- 1 Two-component injection molding module.
- 2 SEM image of a sintered microstructure.
- 3 Thermo-camera image of a heating test.

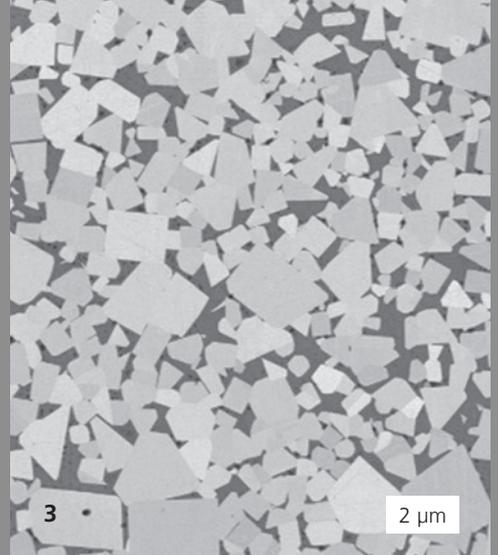




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## MATERIALS AND PROCESSES

# 3D PRINTING OF HARDMETALS

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### Additive manufacturing of hardmetal tools

With a more sophisticated tool design, it is possible to achieve a higher tool productivity and optimize the associated processes. In traditional tool manufacturing, complex geometries, such as helical or U-shaped cooling channels inside components or surfaces with undercuts, can often only be implemented at high costs, if at all.

The powder-based 3D printing method (also known as “binder jetting”) allows highly complex hardmetal parts to be manufactured. In the additive manufacturing method employed, optimally adapted starting powders or granules are deposited layer by layer and locally wetted and bonded by an organic binder applied with a printing head. The manufactured green parts then undergo binder burnout and sintering under conventional conditions. The sintered parts show a microstructure typical for hardmetals with a density of virtually 100 % and a homogeneous cobalt binder distribution. The material properties of the 3D-printed parts are comparable to those of hardmetal tools made via conventional shaping routes (e.g., uniaxial dry pressing).

In addition to novel geometries, rapid manufacturing of green parts in only one step and without the costly manufacturing of pressing tools or metal injection molding tools is now possible. This is especially relevant for prototypes and small batches.

Hardmetal green parts can be developed both via the powder-based method and using the suspension-based thermoplastic 3D printing (T3DP) method.

### Material properties

Composition	WC-12 Co wt. %
Density	14.28 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
	99.8 %
Closed porosity	< 0.06 vol. %
Hardness	HV10: 1170
	HV50: 1160
Magnetic saturation	22.3 $\mu\text{Tm}^3\text{kg}^{-1}$
	92 % theor. mS
Coercive force	8 kA/m
Average grain size	Medium

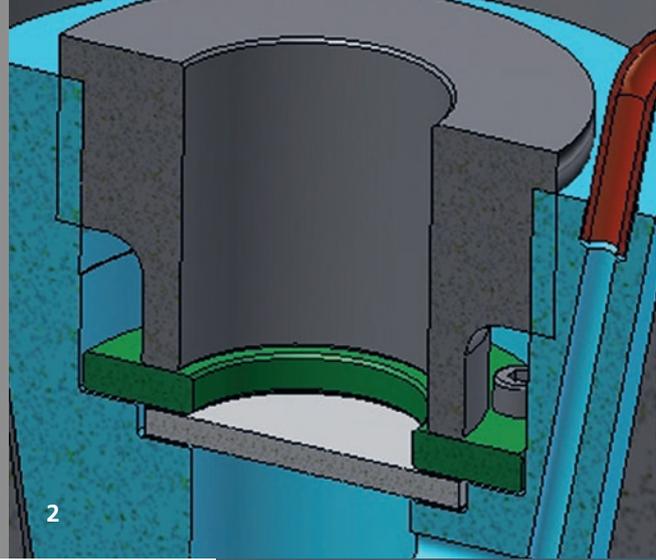
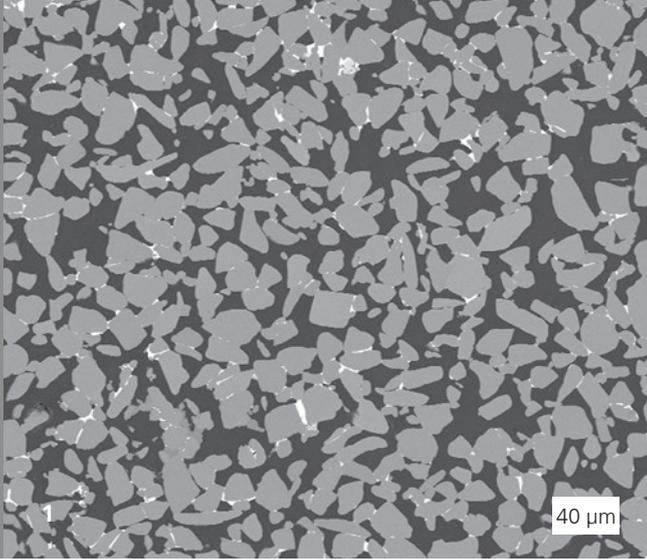
### Services offered

- Product-specific development of powder- and suspension-based 3D printing for WC-Co hardmetals
- Adaptation of processes to other compositions and materials systems
- Manufacturing of prototype parts made of hardmetals according to customer requirements

1 Hardmetal drawing die with helical cooling channel.

2 Hardmetal drawing die with U-shaped cooling channel.

3 Microstructure of a 3D-printed WC-12Co hardmetal (FESEM).



## POROUS CERAMICS USED AS DIAPHRAGMS IN LIGHT METAL MELTS

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For a number of applications in smelting, diaphragms are used, e.g., to enable pressure compensation in hollow cavities in components while preventing filling of the cavities with the molten material.

A current example is use in hollow rollers in hot-dip finishing plants, where the rollers turn and guide flat steel bands through a molten bath of a liquid zinc- or aluminum-based alloy. Hollow rollers show a lower mass moment of inertia, enabling higher band speed, less roller wear, and higher steel band surface quality. However, they are also subject to a risk of excess pressure building up in the inner space due to gas expansion during or after dipping of the roller into the melt bath. Undesired deformation or, in the worst case, bursting can result.

In a joint cooperation with an industrial partner, Fraunhofer IKTS has been developing a new gas-permeable ceramic for appliances in metallurgy and the metal processing industry to solve the instability problem in hollow rollers. A small disk made of this ceramic is inserted into the hollow journal of the roller, releasing the expanding gas from the roller into the melt. The ceramic is hardly wetted by the melt and pores are small enough to allow gas to permeate but prevent intrusion of the melt, even at high melt pressures. With the help of this porous ceramic, gas can be discharged quickly and overpressure in key functional components can be prevented.

In this application, the ceramic withstands the melt pressure exerted by aluminum and zinc at 680 °C and 480 °C, respectively, at a bath height of 2.5 m. The impermeability of the ceramic for the molten metal reliably prevents penetration of

the molten metal into the component and guarantees controlled gas release and pressure reduction. The ceramic is also heat-resistant up to 1200 °C in air and resistant to corrosion by light metal melts. Therefore, the proven principle can be applied to other alloys after preliminary testing.

Additionally, a steel mounting device for securing and sealing of the porous ceramics in the hollow roller was developed. The porous ceramic disk can also serve as an active safety device that acts as a rupture disk in case of an extreme pressure increase, preventing deformation or even bursting of the hollow roller by guiding the gas into the environment.

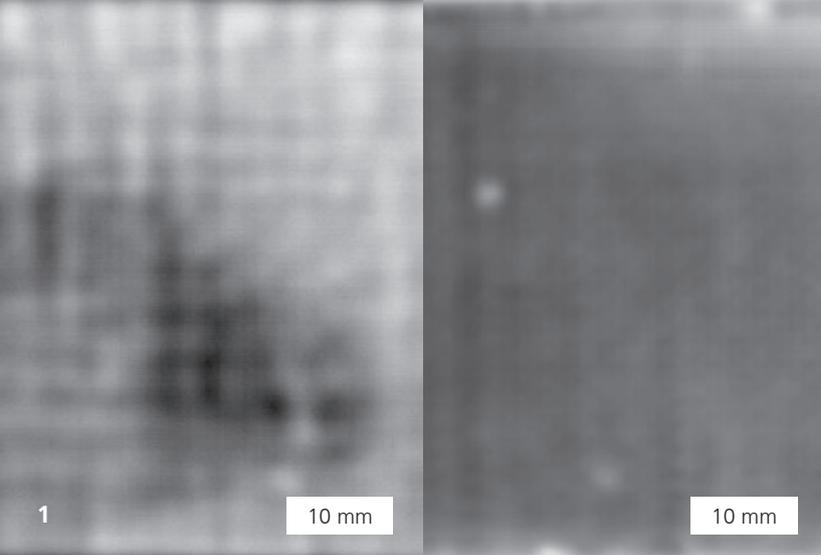
The innovative porous ceramic has already been successfully tested in lab and industrial environments.

### Services offered

- Development of materials and technologies for manufacturing and application of porous ceramics in contact with molten metal alloys

1 Porous SiC ceramic used as a diaphragm in aluminum and zinc alloy melts.

2 Device for sealing the porous ceramic disk in a steel fixture.



# CHARACTERIZATION OF CERAMIC MATRIX COMPOSITES USING EDDY CURRENT TECHNIQUES

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Ceramic matrix composites (CMCs) combine the advantages of carbon fiber composites (high strength in the fiber direction and simultaneously low weight) with the positive properties of ceramics (high temperature and corrosion resistance and high strength). This qualifies the materials for use in harsh environments, such as high-temperature, corrosive, or very high mechanical loading conditions. Therefore, the primary application for these composites is for highly stressed components, for example, in airplane engines. The obstacles to introduction of CMC technology are similar to those that complicated the introduction of carbon fiber composites. The component behavior over the life cycle of the components and the relevant damage mechanisms are unknown. In addition, non-destructive test methods have not yet become established for these materials.

The suitability of the high-frequency eddy current technology for CMCs is being evaluated in preliminary studies. This work draws on the extensive and lengthy experience of the project team in eddy current testing of pure carbon fiber composites. The test method was evaluated by means of CMC samples from different stages of the manufacturing process.

With the eddy current technique, the surface of a test object is scanned with a special probe. In the process, a small and very localized electromagnetic field is coupled with the material and variations in the electrical and capacitive properties of the material are recorded. In this way, the test object can be investigated down to a depth of a few millimeters below the surface. The scan can be performed on flat specimens using a simple 2D scan desk or on freeform components using an inspection

robot. Both test systems were developed by Fraunhofer IKTS and are ready for application in industrial environments.

Within the scope of an internal study, the high-frequency eddy current technique was found to be capable of yielding the following characteristics of CMC materials:

- Orientations of individual fiber layers
- Local fiber density distributions
- Inclusions of air (pores) or impurities (depending on the included material)
- Notches, scratches, and cracks
- Local variations in homogeneity of the infiltrate
- Uninfiltrated or poorly infiltrated areas

These results demonstrate the suitability of the high-frequency eddy current technique for use in non-destructive quality control of ceramic matrix composites.

- 1 Eddy current scans of two CMC samples: (left) exhibiting defective infiltration and (right) with point-shaped inclusions.
- 2 3D scanner including sensors for eddy current, ultrasound and FTIR at WIWEB.



# MINIATURIZED SYSTEM FOR INTELLIGENT SIGNAL PROCESSING IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

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Intelligent signal processing is needed in mechanical engineering for in-line quality control, life cycle analysis of wear parts, and structural health monitoring. Fraunhofer IKTS has developed a miniaturized system for intelligent signal processing within the scope of the joint project "MISIS" funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF). The heart of the system is a base module containing a digital signal processor (DSP) and a field-programmable gate array (FPGA), along with the required memory, power supply, and peripheral interfaces. Taking the form of a mini PCI express card (30 x 50.95 mm), the module can be operated in various systems, for instance, in many laptops. Complex and real-time critical algorithms for acoustic pattern recognition using deep neural networks (DNNs) or hidden Markov models (HMMs) can be realized by the combination of DSP and FPGA. The base module can be connected to various signal acquisition and signal output modules via flat ribbon cables. The system is thus capable of audio and ultrasonic signal processing as well as processing of other signal sources. Partner company SINUS Messtechnik GmbH has developed a signal acquisition module for high-quality processing of audio signals in the audible range (up to 24 kHz) with up to four independent channels. With these two modules, the system performance was demonstrated, e.g., in the automated detection of defects in glass bottles in cooperation with the Communications Engineering Group at Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Senftenberg. For this reason, the complete feature analysis (windowing, Fourier analysis, and temporal and spectral smoothing by filter matrices) and the classification algorithms (density calculation for hidden Markov models, search in finite state machines) were implemented in the base module. By embedding these CPU-intensive algorithms on the FPGA, it was

possible to decrease the computing time significantly, thereby also enabling the feature analysis and classification techniques to be used at higher-frequency signals. Fraunhofer IKTS also successfully uses intelligent signal processing and acoustic pattern recognition for in-line quality control of gears, estimation of

## Calculating time in relation to signal length

Algorithm	DSP	FPGA
Feature analysis	9.4 %	1.1 %
Density calculation	59 %	34 %
Search	32 %	3.1 %

remaining useful life time of valves, early fault detection in rollers and bearings in spinning frames, structural health monitoring of airplane materials, and automatic softness testing of tissue products during production. The technology is very well suited to testing of machine components or as test units in production plants.

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- 1 Integration in measurement system.
- 2 Base module of miniaturized system for intelligent signal processing.

## MINIATURIZED SENSOR SYSTEM FOR PACKAGING MACHINES

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### Motivation

How can you determine the mechanical stresses that a product is subjected to during automated packaging? Producers and users of packaging machines have to answer this question in order to optimize packaging processes for high throughputs or to avoid defective goods through early detection of load changes.

Scientists at Fraunhofer IKTS have developed a miniaturized sensor system to address this problem. It is introduced into the customer's packaging process with a wrapper that simulates the product. During the packaging run, the sensor system records the relevant data, which can be immediately forwarded to the machine manufacturer. This enables fast response times and rapid supply of replacement parts, which in turn leads to an increase in machine availability.

Furthermore, the sensor system can identify areas on the machine in which stresses on the products are high. Based on this information, the machine design can be optimized, for example, to achieve more gentle product handling with a simultaneous increase in throughput. The effects of the design changes are then immediately checked by the miniature sensor system.

### System layout

The miniaturized sensor system is designed modularly, is encapsulated, and can be realized with dimensions of as low as 12 x 12 x 12 mm or 12 x 24 x 6 mm. This makes it suitable for a wide range of applications. It is integrated into the product to be packaged and can easily be segregated from the regular

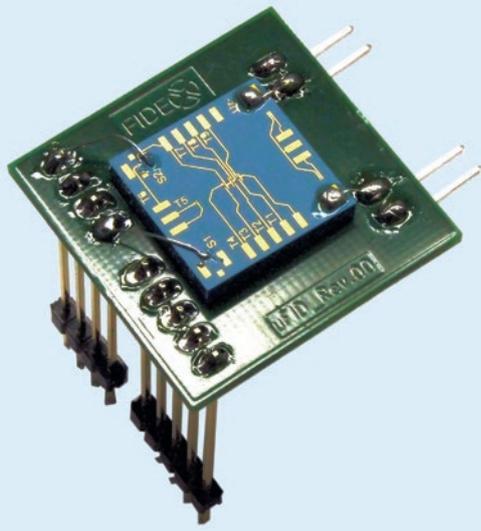
products after packaging via electromagnetic locating. During the packaging run, accelerations of up to  $\pm 2000 \text{ m/s}^2$  are recorded in three axes at sampling frequencies of up to 10 kHz and angular velocities of up to 4000 %/s at frequencies of up to 1 kHz.

The sensor system has a data storage system for the saving of several measurement series. Configuration is accomplished via a PC interface prior to measurement. The measurement itself is started wirelessly by integrated Hall sensors using an external magnetic field. A rechargeable battery ensures a long sensor module service life.

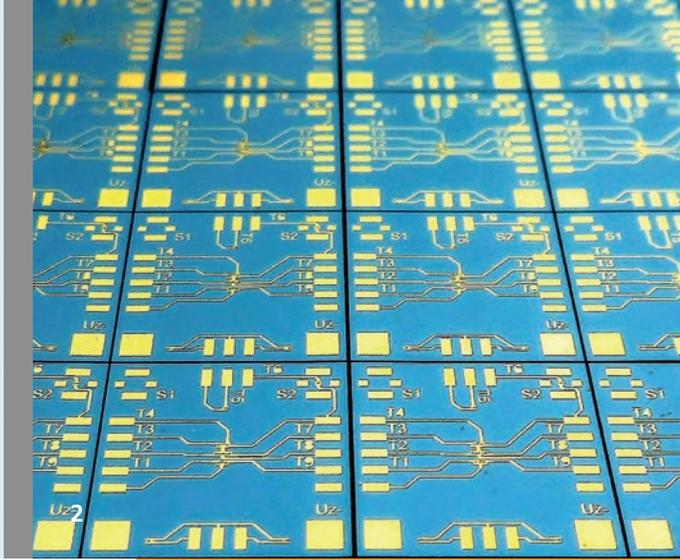
With the developed sensor system as a starting point, individual customer preferences such, as wireless data communications or power supply, can be realized.

Further miniaturization of the system is planned for the future so that the production and value-adding process can also be monitored in industrial semi-finished products.

1 *Miniaturized sensor system in size comparison.*



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ELECTRONICS AND MICROSYSTEMS

# MINIATURIZED DETECTOR IN CERAMIC LTCC TECHNOLOGY FOR EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS

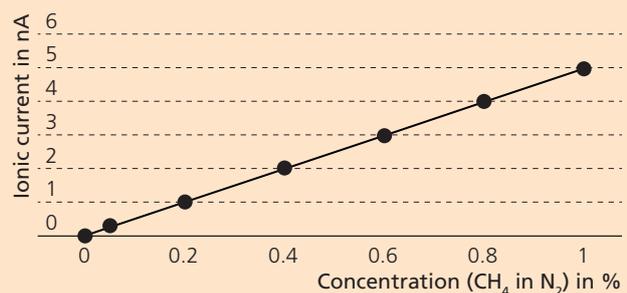
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There is a growing trend toward comprehensive decentralized monitoring and recording of environmental, process, and status information. This requires sensor systems with reduced consumption of operating materials, high robustness, and low maintenance requirements. Fraunhofer IKTS investigates and develops microsystem applications utilizing LTCC and HTCC ceramic multilayer technologies. These technologies enable precise integration of micrometer-scale functional structures into monolithic ceramic housings. The microsystems thus created are characterized by high chemical and thermal robustness as well as a high functional density and can be fabricated at low cost in large quantities.

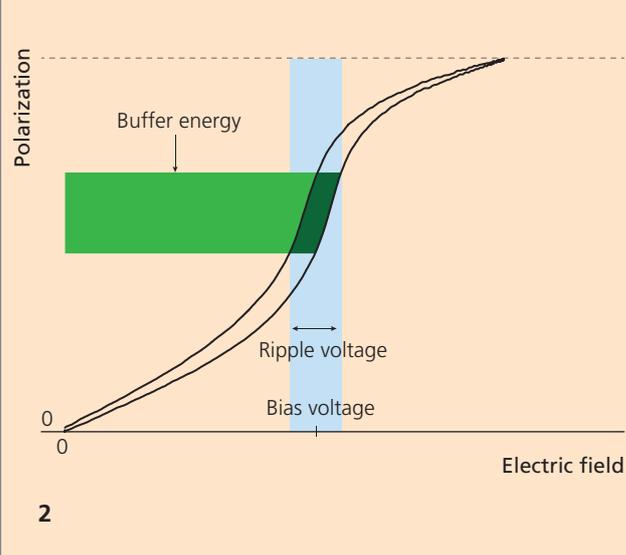
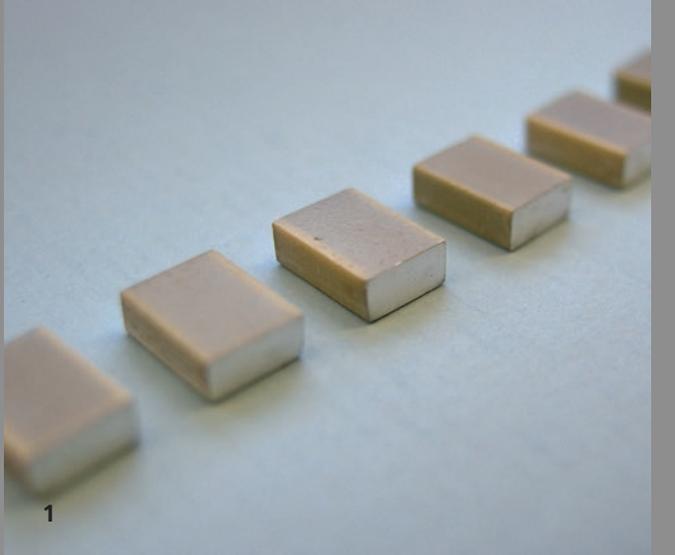
Within the scope of the BMBF-funded research project "FIDEX" (#13N13271), Fraunhofer IKTS is developing an early warning system for municipal sewer networks in cooperation with partners from industry and research as well as operators. This system provides a higher level of protection to the general public and the infrastructure against the formation of explosive atmospheres in the sewer system. The core of this system is made up of a miniaturized flame ionization detector (FID) used to determine the total hydrocarbon concentration in the sewer atmosphere. The low detection limit combined with the low cross-sensitivity of the FID enables monitoring of hydrocarbon concentrations far below the lower explosion limit (LEL). Thus, the operator can take adequate countermeasures early enough to avoid catastrophe. Utilizing LTCC technology enables all fluidic and electrical structures of the FID to be integrated into a (15 by 15) mm<sup>2</sup> ceramic chip. The required combustion gases (H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub>) are supplied via buried channels in a combustion chamber and are ignited by means of an electrical discharge. The result-

tant hydrogen flame ionizes the hydrocarbons in the sample gas. An electric field collects the ions and generates an ionic current proportional to the hydrocarbon concentration. Due to the locally concentrated mixture of combustion gases and the small dimensions of the fluidic structures, only low combustion gas flows (10 ml/min H<sub>2</sub>) are required for continuous operation of the system. This property additionally qualifies the detector for use in portable or autonomous sensor concepts extending to field gas chromatography.

Ionic current measured as a function of the methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) concentration in the sample gas



- 1 Ceramic FID mounted on measurement board.
- 2 Fabrication of the ceramic FID on a multipanel.



# ANTIFERROELECTRIC CAPACITORS FOR POWER ELECTRONICS

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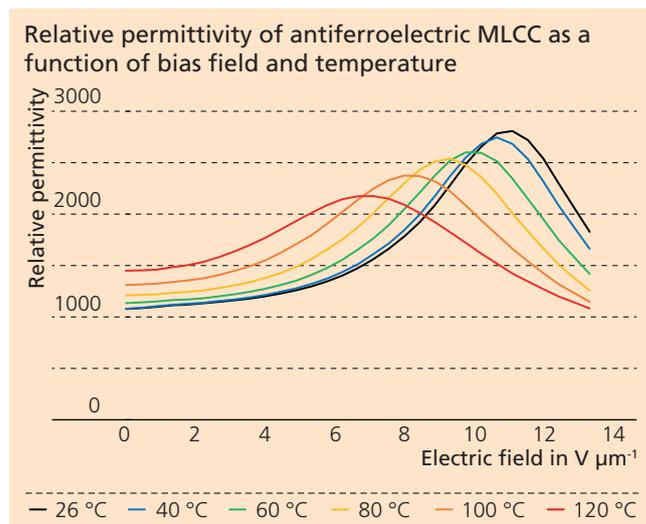
For high-density power electronic systems with miniaturized system size and high efficiency, capacitors with increased capacitance density under high electric fields and elevated temperatures are needed. Only capacitors meeting these requirements will be able to be used for the design and manufacture of future power switches with wide-band-gap semiconductors. An expanding market for engine control systems and DC/DC converters for electromobility and regenerative energies is the main factor driving the requirements for these components.

Conventional polymer-based film capacitors and multilayer ceramic capacitors (MLCCs) are restricted in terms of thermal stability and capacitance density or show a strong decrease in capacitance when higher voltages are applied. Antiferroelectric materials offer high permittivities, which even increase with increasing bias voltage. They allow for the development of capacitors with high capacitance density at high DC bias, high current handling capabilities, and stable operation at elevated temperatures.

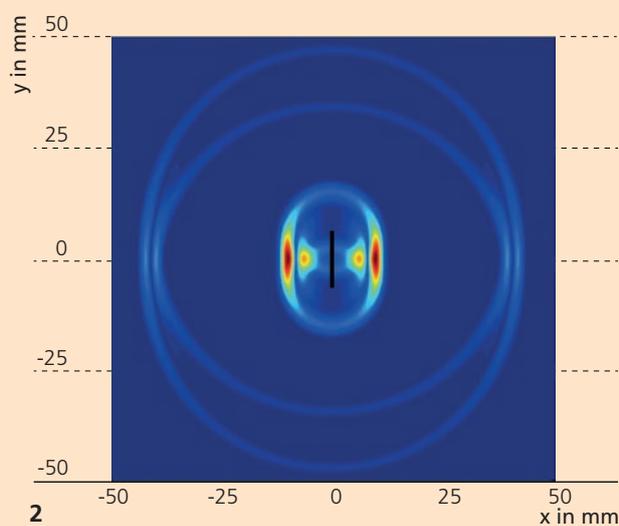
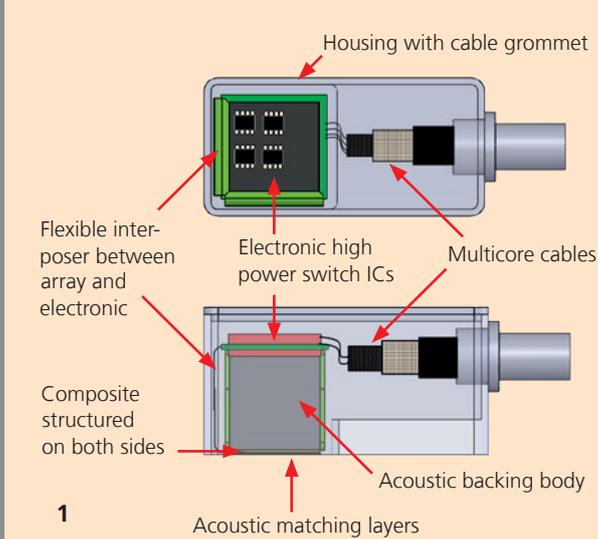
Multilayer ceramic capacitors based on the material system lead lanthanum zirconate titanate (PLZT) with higher permittivities at higher electric field strengths than exhibited by conventional capacitors are being developed at Fraunhofer IKTS. This is accomplished through synthesis of PLZT materials with suitably adjusted phase compositions and targeted doping to yield higher energy densities. The powder can be produced on a kg scale, allowing for batch production of MLCCs.

Using this technology, multilayer ceramic capacitors with up to 50 ceramic and AgPd inner electrode layers have been manu-

factured. After sintering, the ceramic layer thickness is 45  $\mu\text{m}$  and the AgPd inner electrode thickness is 2  $\mu\text{m}$ . The MLCCs show a very high relative permittivity of  $\epsilon_{r,\text{max}} = 2800$  at a switching field of  $E_{\text{bias}} = 11.1 \text{ kV/mm}$  and a ripple voltage of  $U_{\text{p-p}} = 20 \text{ V}$  at room temperature. Excellent values are also obtained at higher temperatures. The material system offers room for improvement in the capacitance and switching field values, which in turn will allow for development of MLCCs with significantly higher energy densities in the future.



- 1 Multilayer ceramic capacitors based on antiferroelectric materials.
- 2 Ferroelectric polarization curve for an antiferroelectric material.



# BIPLANAR ARRAYS FOR NEW APPLICATIONS IN ULTRASONIC TESTING

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Different transducers are used for different applications in ultrasonic non-destructive testing, based on single- or multichannel techniques. Single-element (monolithic) probes have a fixed focus that depends on the design. If greater flexibility is needed, phased array probes with multiple elements are used. With appropriately delayed excitation of the individual elements, the wave front can be swept and focused on any point in the test object. A distinction is drawn between linear arrays, which focus in a plane perpendicular to the active aperture axis, and matrix arrays, which are able to focus inside the whole volume covered by the probe.

Biplane phased arrays combine the low costs of a relatively simple probe design with the flexibility of conventional matrix arrays.

## Biplane array design

A biplane array consists of a piezoelectric layer with a conventional line electrode structure on the top and a second line electrode structure rotated by 90° on the bottom side of the piezo layer.

## Modeling of the sound field

For calculation of the sound field of a biplane array, the excitation by a strip element and a quadratic crossing element must be considered. With these basic sound fields, all other configurations can be obtained by the superposition principle. The numerical CEFIT-PSS technique, a hybrid method developed at

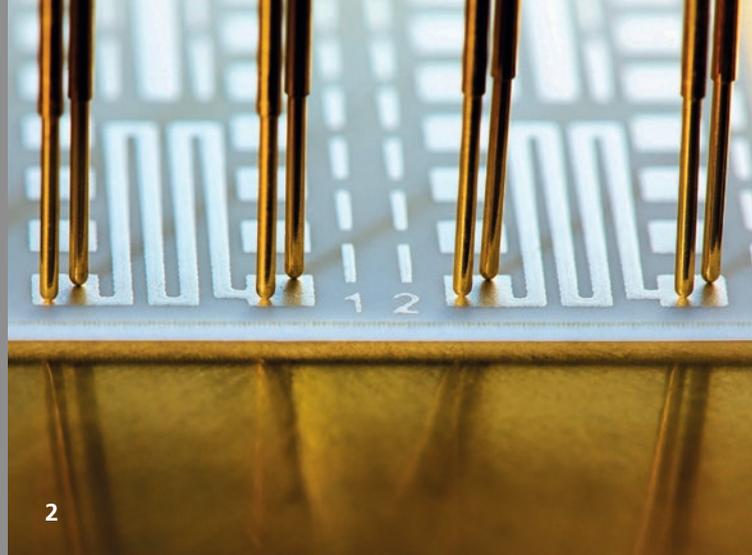
IKTS for simulation of spatiotemporal wave fields, including all relevant physical wave effects, was used for the calculations.

## Principle of operation of a biplane array

In conventional operation mode, the biplane array offers the possibility of sweeping and focusing the ultrasonic beam in two planes. A 3D mode in which selected electrode strips on the top and bottom of the piezo layer are excited is also possible. For this, the electrical activation of the electrodes can be dynamically varied.

Compared with a fully electrically connected matrix array, the biplane array requires significantly fewer elements, i.e., only  $N$  or at most  $2N$  independent channels instead of  $N \times N$  channels. This aspect significantly lowers the technical requirements that must be met by the ultrasonic hardware and hence the manufacturing costs for a complete matrix UT system.

- 1 Design of a biplane array.
- 2 Sound field of a biplane strip element in the x-y plane (24 mm).

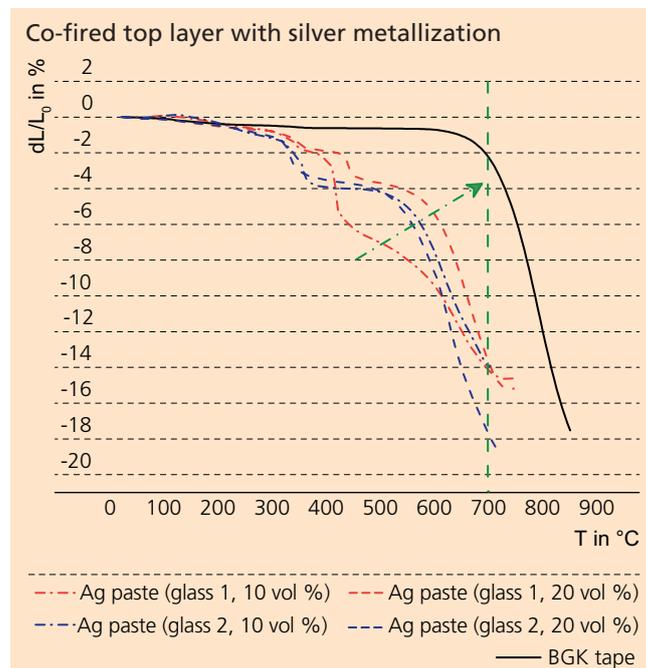


## FORM-STABLE LTCC MODULES THANKS TO IKTS-SILVER PASTES

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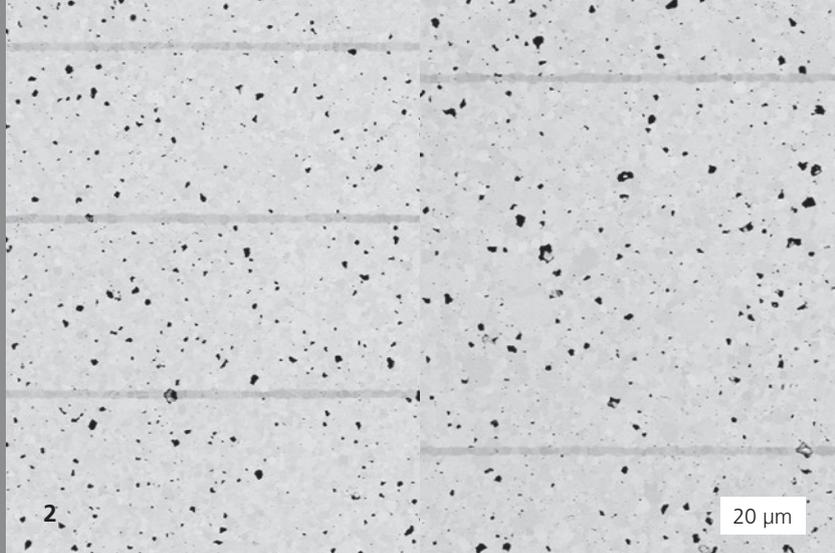
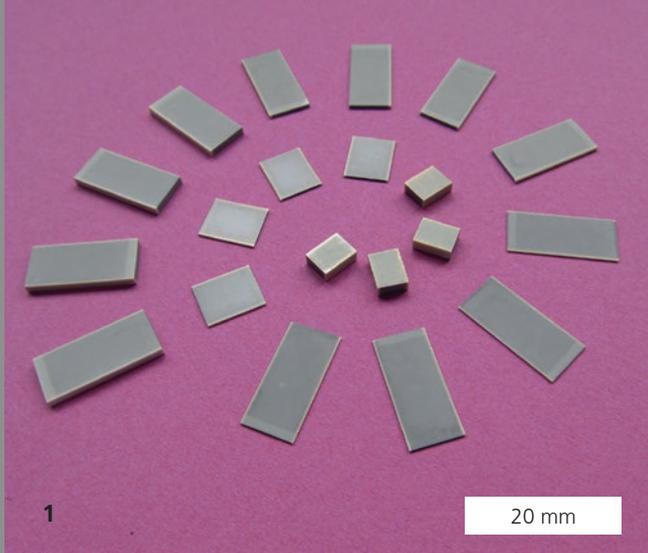
LTCC technology on the basis of ceramic tapes provides a wealth of design possibilities for integrating active and passive components into complexly shaped 3D architectures by lamination of planar substrates and bonding. A major limitation in LTCC processing is the well-known substrate warping effect often induced by silver metallization. It is strongly dependent on the specific LTCC composition and silver paste in use but frequently occurs as a result of unconstrained sintering of LTCC substrates with silver metallization. The mechanisms/causes of warpage include constrained tape shrinkage due to the sintered paste, Ag diffusion out of the paste, the crystallization thereby promoted, and thermal expansion mismatch. In order to avoid this deformation, LTCC manufacturers apply constrained sintering technology either by use of sacrificial tapes or by pressure-assisted sintering, which is time-consuming and expensive. Fraunhofer IKTS has developed silver pastes that suppress the warpage mechanisms observed and described by numerous authors. Exemplarily for the Fraunhofer IKTS anodically bondable tape "BGK tape", silver pastes were analyzed in terms of their material chemistry and sintering kinetics and were adapted to the sintering behavior of the tape material. To that end, the chemical composition and the amount of the glass phase in the paste were varied systematically. Silver diffusion was detected and evaluated by SEM and EDX on polished cross sections of sintered samples. Based on the results, the glass composition and amount were specifically adapted to the anodically bondable tape. Silver inner layers, top layers, and via metallizations can now be applied to the LTCC without the substrate showing any warpage after unconstrained sintering in air. The obtained know-how also allows the adaption of screen-printing pastes to other tape compositions.

Silver pastes for screen printing on anodically bondable LTCCs are available. Paste compositions can be adapted to the characteristic sintering behavior of the tape to minimize warpage.



The best results are observed for Ag pastes with a shifted maximum densification temperature ( $T > 700$  °C). Co-firing was optimized to suppress the Ag diffusion almost completely with a combined temperature profile (TP3) comprising slow binder burnout and a silver co-firing step at high heating and cooling rates.

- 1 Doctor blade pilot plant.
- 2 Resistivity measurement.



## PREPARATION OF ELECTROCALORIC COOLING ELEMENTS USING MULTILAYER TECHNOLOGY

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For the realization of active cooling elements, especially in power electronics but also for environmentally friendly air-conditioning and cooling systems, application of the electrocaloric effect is of great interest. This approach utilizes the property of certain ferroelectric ceramics to heat up or cool down considerably due to changes in an external electric field.

As part of the DFG Priority Programme (SPP) “Ferroic Cooling”, Fraunhofer IKTS focuses on the development of electrocaloric materials and components that exhibit high temperature and entropy changes and low dielectric losses during cooling. Targeted materials selection and synthesis are important aspects of the work. Other aims are development of a suitable technology for preparation of the cooling elements and identification of optimized element geometries and operating conditions.

Ferroelectrics exhibit a high electrocaloric effect in the vicinity of the ferroelectric-to-paraelectric phase transition during application and withdrawal of high electric fields. Therefore, materials synthesis is performed with emphasis on adjustment of the phase transition temperature to application needs. Furthermore, reduction of dielectric losses and enhancement of the dielectric strength of the cooling elements are accomplished by addition of appropriate dopants and proper processing. Ceramic multilayer technology offers the possibility of manufacturing large-scale components with high cooling capacity at low operating voltage.

For room-temperature cooling tasks, the lead magnesium niobate-lead titanate (PMN-PT) system is adjusted by modification of its stoichiometric composition and targeted doping.

For the production of multilayer elements, ceramic layers are prepared by tape casting. Electrode structures are then applied to the layers in a screen printing process. The resultant single layers are stacked to the required cooling element height, isostatically laminated, and separated by laser cutting. Cooling elements of different sizes and thicknesses can thus be prepared to accommodate specific application needs.

The sintered cooling elements are distinguished by small individual layer thicknesses of 20–90 microns, which lead to higher dielectric strengths in comparison to bulk ceramics. At present, it is possible to achieve an electrocaloric temperature change of 2.7 K through application of an external electric field of 16 kV/mm to a multilayer component 18 mm long, 8 mm wide, and 1 mm thick.

Future work will focus on development of multilayer components for specific system designs.

- 1 Sintered multilayer structures with different geometries.
- 2 FESEM images of PMN-PT multilayer structures with layer thicknesses of 39 μm (left) and 86 μm (right).





## ELECTRONICS AND MICROSYSTEMS

# TAPE CASTING COMPETENCE CENTER IN HERMSDORF

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The technique of tape casting and coating is a highly productive method for producing large, flexible tapes of functional materials very efficiently and cost-effectively in roll-to-roll processes. Fraunhofer IKTS has been a leader in research and development in this area for decades.

The Tape Casting Competence Center at Fraunhofer IKTS in Hermsdorf has five tape casting machines for realizing different layer formation processes and drying methods. Three casting machines operate according to the classic doctor blade method and differ in terms of drying channel length, casting speed, and drying principle (convection, contact, UV, or IR). With the battery and the triple slot die coaters, the casting portfolio has been extended to include slot die casting.

The battery coater developed within the "VALIBAT" project according to Fraunhofer IKTS specifications implements an innovative, modular, and ecological casting concept and is used for performing coating tasks in the area of Li-ion battery research. After the layer has been applied by means of a slot die, the cast electrode is dried in a non-contact manner through levitation and can then be compacted in a calender integrated in the system. The solvents contained in the slurry are disposed of after the drying process by means of thermal postcombustion, with the energy generated during the combustion being returned to the machine for drying the layers.

The triple slot die coater enables multiple layers to be produced in one process step using the triple slot die. This makes it possible to cast different functional tapes or functionally graded tapes directly in a "wet in wet" process.

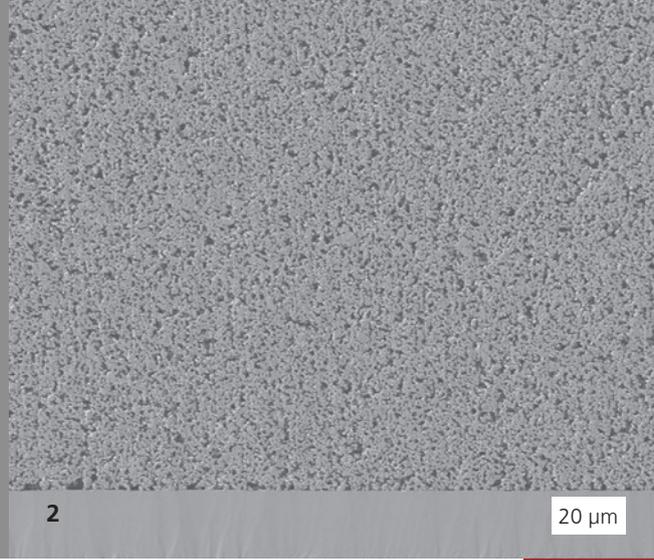
In addition to coating on carrier tapes, direct casting onto a steel strip is possible. Both systems can easily be converted to the classic doctor blade process.

The Tape Casting Competence Center processes both aqueous and organic tape casting slurry systems. Established organic materials, such as polyvinyl butyral, as well as innovative systems are used in the tapes. The solids contained in the tapes can have densities up to  $19 \text{ g/cm}^3$  in extreme cases and have an average grain size of  $d_{50} = 200 \text{ nm}$  to  $d_{50} = 30 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ . Tape casting slurries with viscosities in the range of 100–30,000 mPas can be processed on the casting machines.

Applications for the tapes from the new center range from classic ceramic microsystem technologies (LTCC and HTCC) and the current strategic field of battery research to filtration, gas separation, and a variety of special tapes.

1 Triple slot die coater.

2 ValiBat coater.



# DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH-ENERGY ELECTRODES FOR BIPOLAR LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES

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Fraunhofer IKTS has been cooperating with partners from industry and research in the development of large-format bipolar batteries (EMBATT concept) for several years now. Focus is on both materials development and targeted process modifications to address manufacturing-related challenges.

The bipolar construction of lithium-ion vehicle batteries can potentially enable a significant reduction in system complexity and thus an increase in the energy density and the range of electric vehicles. Optimization of the energy density starts with the electrode development. High surface loading with active material is important for increasing the proportion of storage material in the cell. At the same time, the mechanical workability and the necessary flexibility of the electrode tape have to be maintained.

Thick lithium titanate (LTO)-based electrodes made using water-based processes and LTO-LFP bipolar electrodes have recently been developed and characterized. The first LTO electrodes produced showed very stable behavior for discharging up to approx. 1 C and reached the specific capacity (> 150 mAh/g) expected for LTO. For more detailed investigation of the rate capability, additional tests were carried out and electrodes with a layer thickness of up to 102 μm (calendered) were analyzed.

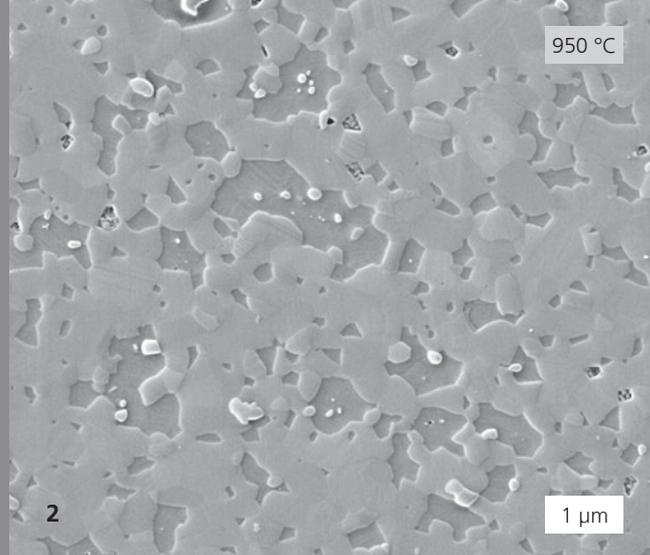
The specific challenges of water-based manufacturing of LTO electrodes mainly result from the fact that the aqueous LTO slurries have a high pH of 11.2–11.8. It has been shown that the alkaline pH is an intrinsic property of the active material and is not only due to the presence of synthesis contaminants. The high pH places high demands on the stability of the binder

components for the aqueous LTO anodes and leads to corrosion of the aluminum collector foil during the coating process. In particular, pH values above 8.5 result in the formation of aluminum hydroxide and hydrogen ( $2\text{Al} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} = 2\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3 + 3\text{H}_2\uparrow$ ). In the first aqueous LTO casting experiments, pore and crack formation as well as aluminum pitting corrosion was observed during electrode drying. As a result, the mixing process was adapted in such a way that the LTO slurry preparation was completely carried out at a pH of approx. 11, the normal pH for LTO. The pH of the slurry was shifted to the neutral range just before the casting process. In this way, stable electrodes with the described electrochemical properties could be realized.

This process has now been transferred to the pilot scale at the Battery Technology Application Center in Pleissa. The LTO anodes in combination with the aqueous lithium-iron-phosphate (LFP) electrodes already being manufactured at the center form the first bipolar electrodes produced on a pilot scale for the further development of the EMBATT bipolar battery.

- 1 *Manufacturing of LTO-LFP bipolar electrodes on a pilot scale.*
- 2 *LTO electrode with thickness of 138 μm (as-coated).*





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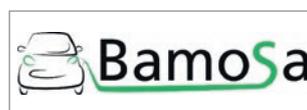
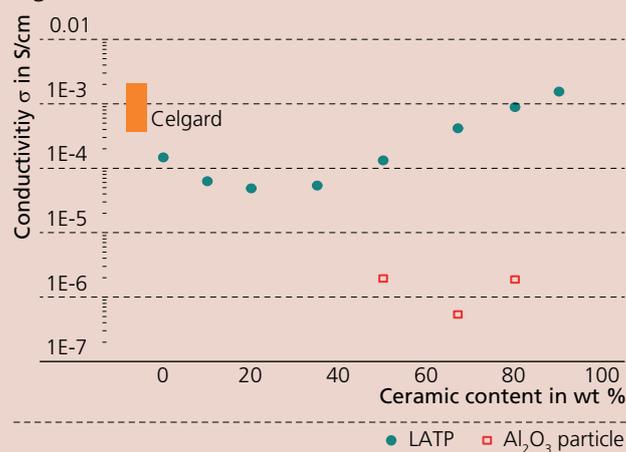
## NEW MATERIALS FOR LITHIUM-ION-CONDUCTING SOLID-STATE ELECTROLYTES

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The energy supply requirements of mobile consumer devices, stationary energy storage devices, and electromobility are driving the development of efficient accumulators. Li-ion batteries only attain incremental improvements in power density, operating voltage, and charging and discharging rates. It should be possible to surpass these limits with new battery concepts, such as lithium-sulfur cells or all solid-state batteries. The separators between the anode and cathode compartments are important elements of all battery concepts and affect performance, service life, and operational reliability. Depending on the particular type of battery, they must have either mandatory or optional Li-ion conductivity and must provide a barrier to electron transport in order to enable or improve the functionality of the single cell. Polymer separators in combination with liquid electrolytes will not be able to meet future requirements for thermal and chemical stability and cannot reliably prevent the formation of lithium dendrites inside batteries, which in turn significantly impairs the battery service life. Ceramic materials, for example, in the system  $\text{Li}_{1+x}\text{Al}_x\text{Ti}_{2-x}(\text{PO}_4)_3$  (LTP), with Li-ion conductivities of up to  $4 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ S cm}^{-1}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  and high thermal as well as mechanical stability are suitable as solid electrolytes and separators. Preparation of these materials as powders with the desired particle size distributions can be realized by melting a glass frit with subsequent grinding, solid-phase synthesis, or the sol-gel process. The selected production route and the stoichiometric composition of the material influence the achievable particle shapes/sizes and sintering activities of the powders. As can be seen in the diagram right, application of  $\text{Li}^+$ -conducting powders as fillers in porous, polymer-bound films allows for hybrid-type separators with significantly higher conductivities than are achieved with non-conducting ceramic fillers (e.g.,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ). New battery concepts, such as all solid-state batter-

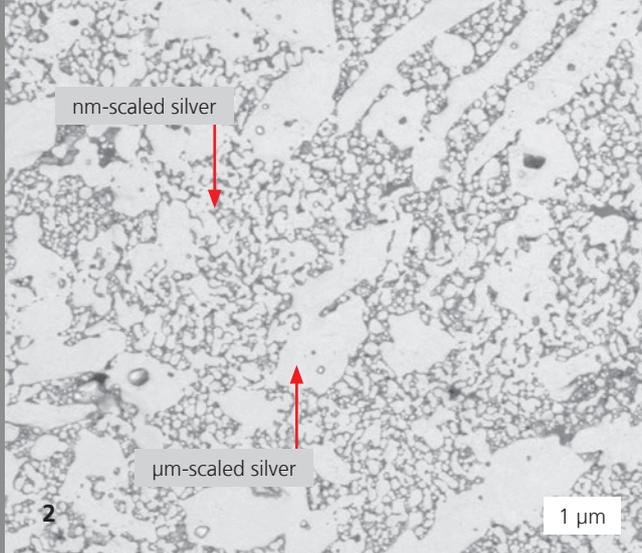
ies, require densely sintered layers acting simultaneously as separators and solid electrolytes to ensure the separation of the anode and the cathode as well as the ionic conductivity. Suitable powder properties and sintering conditions resulting in grain sizes  $< 2 \mu\text{m}$  are decisive for defect-free microstructures (Figure 2). A tape casting process that enables the production of planar substrates with thicknesses of less than  $150 \mu\text{m}$  and ionic conductivities of up to  $2 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ S cm}^{-1}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  (Figure 1) has been developed.

Comparison of conductivities of hybrid-type polymer-ceramic separators and a polymer separator (Celgard) measured in LP40 electrolyte with stainless steel blocking electrodes



1 Tape-cast and sintered ceramic solid electrolytes.

2 Fine-grained, dense microstructure of an LTP solid electrolyte.



# LOW-TEMPERATURE METALLIZATION PASTES FOR HETEROJUNCTION SOLAR CELLS

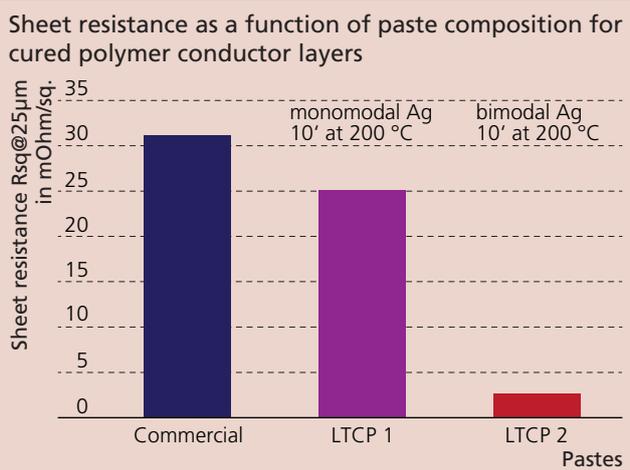
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A promising cell concept for environmentally friendly, efficient generation of solar power in Germany is the heterojunction solar cell (Figure 1). This concept is predicted to gain market shares of up to 10 % with stabilized cell efficiencies of 24 % by the year 2026 [1].

In this solar cell, the doped semiconductor layers of the emitter and the passivation layer are generated by vaporization of amorphous silicon. The amorphous Si layers only survive a maximum temperature of 200 °C. Thus, silver pastes capable of being cured at 200 °C were developed for front-side metallization (Figure 1). These pastes are based on solvent-polymer combinations (so-called binders), which can be cured thermally and filled with functional phases. Silver is the most commonly used metal for front-side metallization of solar cells.

Due to the low process temperature, the conductivity of the polymer-silver composites is usually generated not through sintering, but rather via percolation paths created by the metal particles. For a minimum layer resistance, high solids contents in the pastes are necessary. This is accomplished through binder systems with suitably adapted compositions and rheologies. With a monomodal silver powder, sheet resistances of 25 mΩ/sq in the cured layer are obtained (middle column in diagram below).

A further increase in conductivity of the polymer conductive phase can be achieved through use of bimodal silver powder mixtures in which nanosilver is added to the conventional silver. Thanks to the unique properties of nanoparticles, the tap density of the metal phase can be increased and sinter necks can be created to form conduction paths, in addition to the



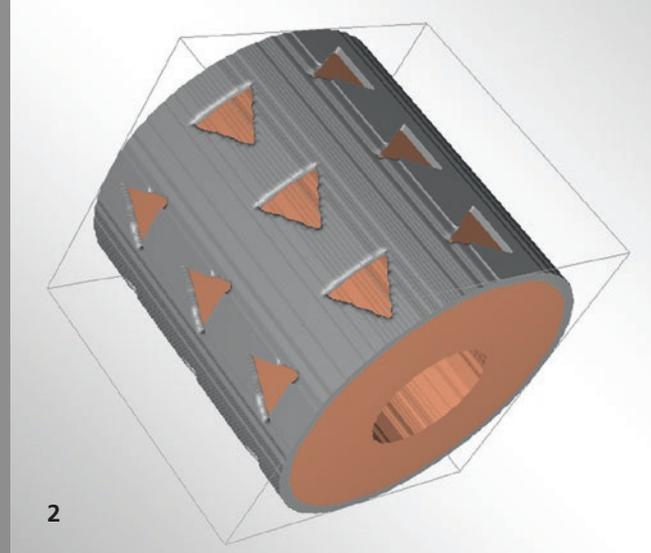
percolation paths (Figure 2). The sintering activity of the nanoparticles depends on both the particle size and the surfactants used in the preparation of the nanoparticles. The surfactants additionally influence the dispersibility of the nanoparticles in the binder vehicle. This affects the solids content and, with it, the resistance of the cured layer. With an optimized surfactant chemistry, sheet resistances of 2.7 mΩ/sq can be reached.

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[1] International Technology Roadmap for Photovoltaic (ITRPV), 7th edition, 2016, version 2, pp. 30–32.



- 1 Heterojunction solar cell.
- 2 Cross section through a conductor layer.



## ENERGY

# CERAMIC COMPONENTS FOR THERMOCHEMICAL HEAT STORAGE

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Thermochemical heat storage is a promising alternative to sensible or latent storage technologies based on water tanks. The heat is stored by means of a chemical potential, which enables high thermal energy storage densities and low energy storage losses, and can be retrieved at any time. Unlike with hot water tanks, insulation to prevent heat loss over time is not required. Typical materials for thermomechanical heat storage are silica gel and zeolites in the form of pellets, which offer a relatively low price and a high energy density. One disadvantage of these highly porous adsorbents, especially in packed beds, is their poor heat conductivity, which leads to a high loss in performance during charging and discharging and the need for complicated heat exchanger structures. Fraunhofer IKTS has extensive capabilities in modification and processing of highly porous ceramics and has applied them in different projects for the development of materials and components for heat storage applications. Within the scope of a Fraunhofer project, cylindrical pellets were covered with a good thermal conductor, such as copper or aluminum. These metal-covered pellets showed a thermal conductivity that was five times higher than that of conventional pellets and thus allowed for faster charging and discharging cycles. A different technological approach, taken within the BMWi project "MoGeSoWa", was the development of heat storage bricks enabling a higher heat storage system filling degree and better contact with the heat exchanger than was achievable with packed beds. The network-like permeation of the bricks improved the accessibility of the adsorbate to the inner volume of the adsorbent. Another subject of this BMWi project was the development of so-called composite adsorbents. These materials consist of a mesoporous support structure that is impregnated by an inorganic salt. In contact with water, the

salt forms different hydrate phases and thereby releases heat. The advantage of these materials is the comparatively low loading temperature (~ 90 °C). Typical support structures are silica gel, attapulgite, and carbons of large surface area. Investigations within this research field were concentrated on the generation of support structures with a high specific surface area and a tailored pore structure.

### Services offered

- Development of ceramic materials for heat storage applications
- Development of composite materials for sorbent and catalytic applications
- Development of manufacturing methods for industrial production of developed composites
- Application tests
- Manufacturing and analysis of test samples and small batches

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- 1 Compact heat storage brick made of zeolite (65x50x50 mm).
- 2 Metal-covered pellet for high heat conductivity in packed beds (model).





## PROCESS FOR CONTROLLED SCALE DEPOSITION FROM GEOTHERMAL BRINE

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Despite their virtually inexhaustible potential, geothermal energy resources have only reached a niche status in Germany up to now. Among the reasons for this are the high risks involved in the search for suitable geological structures at great depths and the unresolved technical problems in application due to scaling and corrosion.

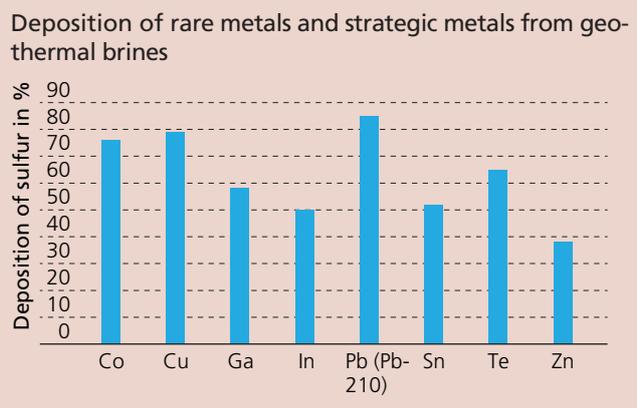
Scaling describes the deposition of mineral and metal incrustations on material surfaces to the detriment of plant economics and safety. Geothermal water and brine extracted from great depths often contain a wide range of naturally occurring chemical elements. Of these, the toxic heavy metals and metalloids As, Pb, Cd, and Tl as well as the naturally occurring radioactive isotopes and chemical elements Pb-210, Po-210, and radium isotopes are considered to be especially critical. Both the handling of these substances and the disposal of residues containing them are extremely problematic. On the other hand, water occurring at such great depths can have relatively high contents of rare and strategic metals in easily recoverable form. For a large number of these chemical elements, electrochemical deposition is possible even under the conditions (e.g., high temperatures and pressures) prevailing in geothermal systems.

In light of this, a process and a prototype setup (Figure 1) for in-situ electrochemical deposition of undesired substances were developed and field-tested within the framework of a project (FKZ 0325696) funded by BMWi (German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy). Initial test results under conditions of practice showed that the metals could be deposited in the form of compact metal foils (Figure 2). High amounts of lead, thallium, and arsenic as well as polonium-210 and radium iso-

topes were accumulated. Use of a porous, or packed-bed, cathode in a flow-through reactor with separate anode and cathode chambers was found to be especially effective, allowing for separation of more than 90 % of the scale-forming substances present in the geothermal water.

Investigations on a geothermal brine from the research borehole at Groß Schönebeck revealed the potential for recovery of a series of rare metals, including gallium, indium, tellurium, copper as well as other metals.

A patent application for the process and the setup has been filed.



1 Electrodeposition unit in installed condition.

2 Controlled in-situ deposition of scales containing Pb, As and/or Tl.



## WATER, ENERGY, AND FERTILIZER FROM FOOD INDUSTRY RESIDUES

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Sachsenmilch Leppersdorf GmbH, one of the biggest and most innovative dairy companies in Germany, uses residues from whey utilization (molasses) in an established process for the production of bioethanol. After alcoholic fermentation and distillation, a valuable residue known as wet distiller grain, characterized by a high content of organic ingredients, such as organic acids, and very high concentrations of mono- and di-valent salts, remains. Up to now, this residual material has been evaporated in an energy-intensive process and disposed of in a cost-intensive manner due to the lack of utilization routes.

Efforts were made to develop a process solution for the comprehensive material and energetic utilization of this residue and to produce water of drinking water quality for use as a fresh water equivalent in production processes. After two years of development work, a closed process chain for the complete recycling of this residual material was successfully developed and operation on a pilot scale was demonstrated.

The wet distiller grain was processed in several successive process steps. First, the organic components were converted to energy-rich biogas by anaerobic fermentation. For this purpose, a high-performance fermentation reactor following the expanded granular sludge bed (EGSB) principle was operated and all process engineering aspects were optimized. In extensive continuous fermentation experiments, an extremely stable, high COD (chemical oxygen demand) degradation rate of over 95 % and high methane contents of more than 62 % in the produced biogas were found. In the subsequent process stage, the inorganic nutrients ammonium ( $\text{NH}_4^+$ ) and phosphate ( $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$ ) released by degradation of the organic matter were removed by

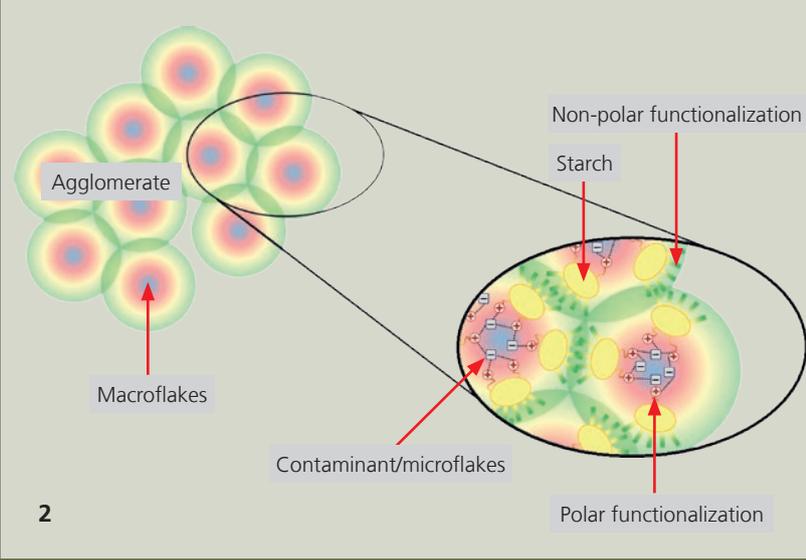
selective addition of various reaction chemicals, mainly magnesium salts in the form of struvite (magnesium ammonium phosphate). Most of the  $\text{NH}_4^+$  and  $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$  could be removed and converted to a slow-release fertilizer with good availability. After wet-chemical precipitation, a clear phase was produced by means of nanofiltration (NF) for the remaining processing steps. Robust ceramic NF membranes with a cut-off of 450 g/mol were used to ensure a high retention of particulate matter, macromolecules, and in some cases higher-valent salts (hardening agents). After a subsequent oxidation step and the elimination of monovalent salts by means of reverse osmosis, water meeting the high quality requirements of the German Drinking Water Ordinance (TrinkwV) was obtained.

Sachsenmilch Leppersdorf GmbH plans to integrate the developed process chain for wet distiller grain treatment into the running production process. Transfer of this innovative process approach to other industries is possible.

**1** Granulated biomass pellets for the degradation of organic matter and the production of biogas.

**2** Produced and dried magnesium ammonium phosphate (struvite).



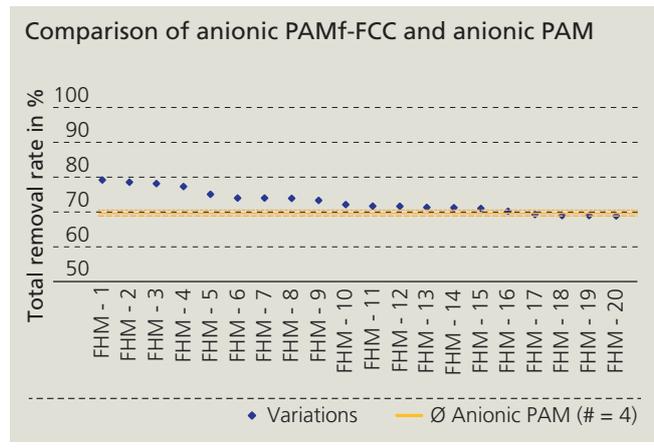


# ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY FLOCCULANTS FOR WATER TREATMENT

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Flocculants (FCC) are currently made of synthetic polyacrylamide (PAM) and are used in water treatment as conditioning agents, e.g., for dewatering or precipitation. The sludge thereby produced contains important nutrients, such as phosphate and ammonium and is widely employed as a nutrient-rich fertilizer in the agricultural industry for sustaining the ecological nutrient cycles in the environment. This is being deterred by disputes regarding the environmental compatibility of PAM-FCC and the starting material, acrylamide, used to produce them. The corresponding restrictions on the land application of conditioned sludge are prescribed in the planned amendment of the Fertilizers Regulation controlling and restricting the use of synthetic flocculants. From this arises the need for alternative, sustainable products that can replace synthetic PAM-FCC, which had global revenues of nearly USD 9 billion in 2015. Drawing on lengthy experience in the field of sludge conditioning and to address the need for feasible alternatives, the “Biomass Conversion and Water Technology” working group has developed bifunctional PAM-free FCC (PAMf-FCC) consisting primarily of starch. These have a very high biodegradability and can have cationic or anionic character. PAMf-FCC exhibit starch molecules with both polar and non-polar functionality. This facilitates binding of contaminants to form macroflakes as well as coagulation to form large agglomerates for easy sedimentation and/or filtration (Figure 1).

and dewatering of the produced sludge. Due to legal restrictions, the main application for anionic flocculants lies in drinking water production. For the purposes of assessing the performance of anionic PAMf-FCC, flocculation was transferred to a laboratory-scale drinking water plant. The anionic PAM currently used for treatment served as a benchmark. The parameters of turbidity, discoloration, and SAC<sub>254</sub> were determined and compared. In each case, the total removal rate was calculated from the removal rates for the individual parameters. Here, too, the results obtained for bifunctional PAMf-FCC were at least equivalent, and for the most part superior, to those yielded for the synthetic PAM.



Cationic PAMf-FCC proved to be equivalent to synthetic flocculants in flocculation of fermentation products and excess sludge from a municipal waste water treatment plant and, in a comparison with commercially available natural products, showed much better results in flocculation, settling behavior (Figure 2),

- 1 Flocculated surplus sludge (I – commercial cationic starch; II – cationic PAMf-FCC).
- 2 Schematic diagram of flocculation with PAMf-FCC.



# CARBON MODIFICATIONS FOR MEMBRANE APPLICATIONS

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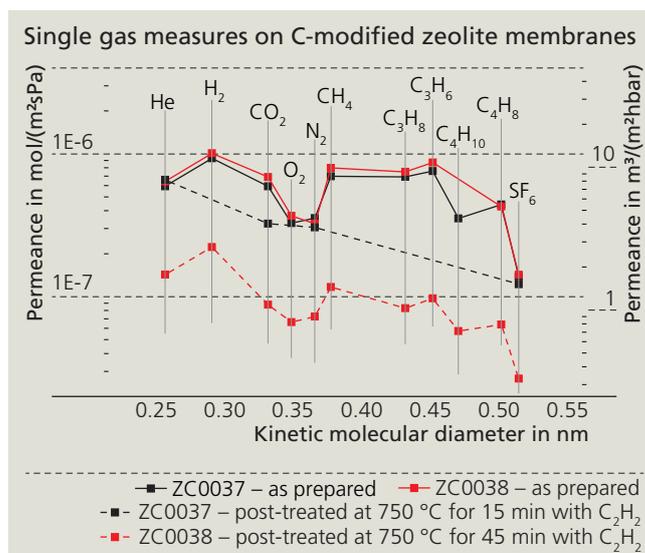
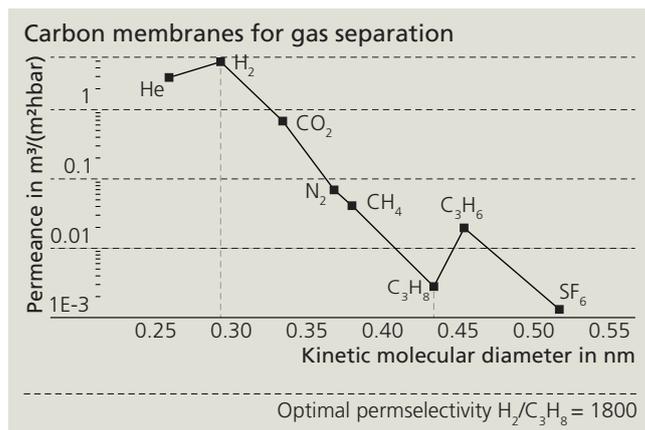
Membranes are becoming more and more important for industrial separation processes. Selectivity and permeance are critical properties for the use of a membrane. These two parameters are mainly influenced by the quality of the membrane, especially the amount of defects in the membrane. Carbon itself is a promising membrane material and can be used to close defects in membranes made of other materials. For both of these reasons, carbon is an interesting material for research on membrane applications.

Synthesis of carbon membranes on different kinds of porous support materials has been successfully performed at Fraunhofer IKTS for more than ten years now. The corresponding coating processes are based on chemical vapor deposition or on liquid-precursor processes followed by pyrolysis. This also allows for the modification of zeolite membranes.

Due to its structural properties, nanoporous carbon is well suited to liquid and gas separation. Depending on the synthesis parameters, different structural properties can be obtained. Hence, these membranes can be adapted to different kinds of separation processes with considerable selectivities.

Examples are:

- Separation of  $H_2$  from mixtures with propane at 300 °C and 10 bar with  $J_{H_2} = 5 \text{ m}^3/(\text{m}^2\text{hbar})$ ,  $PS_{H_2/C_3H_8} = 300$
- Treatment of biogas and separation in gas streams of 94 %  $CH_4$  and 91 %  $CO_2$
- Drying of hot gases (300 °C, 10 bar,  $N_2$ ,  $CH_4$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $H_2$ ) and shifting of chemical equilibria by  $H_2O$  separation



- 1 Coated and uncoated single-channel tubes.
- 2 Fully automated device for gas permeation measurements.





# MORE EFFICIENT O<sub>2</sub> PRODUCTION USING CERAMIC MEMBRANES

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The global production of oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) currently amounts to approx. 530 million metric tons per year, corresponding to revenues of 34 billion euros per year. More than 90 % of the O<sub>2</sub> is produced by cryogenic air separation units (cryo ASUs) and must normally be delivered to the customer. For local O<sub>2</sub> production, pressure swing adsorption (PSA) or vacuum-PSA (VPSA) is typically used. The purity of the oxygen is usually restricted, or higher purity can only be attained with higher energy consumption. For a high O<sub>2</sub> demand, the price is dominated by the energy requirements, whereas the costs of logistics and transportation dominate the price for low amounts.

On-site O<sub>2</sub> production using ceramic membranes is a competitive option. The process is based on the coupled conductivity of the membrane materials for oxide ions and electronic charge carriers (electrons or holes) at high temperatures. For this reason, these membranes are called MIEC membranes (mixed ionic electronic conductor). Because only oxide ions can occupy the vacancies inside the crystal lattice, pure O<sub>2</sub> is always generated. The total energy requirements of the process consist of the heat needed to maintain the operating temperature and the energy needed for gas compression. The vacuum process developed by Fraunhofer IKTS requires approximately 0.2 kWh/Nm<sup>3</sup> O<sub>2</sub> for the vacuum pump and approximately 0.25 kWh/Nm<sup>3</sup> O<sub>2</sub> for heating and was already piloted up to a scale of 10 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h O<sub>2</sub>. The table on the right-hand side shows a comparison of this process with the established processes.

The established processes require the energy completely in the form of electricity. In contrast, MIEC membrane plants can be heated by the combustion of gas or by waste heat from high-

temperature processes. With the price of thermal energy produced by gas combustion typically amounting to just 25 to 33 % of the price of electricity, MIEC membrane plants heated by gas combustion or waste heat represent a significant cost-cutting

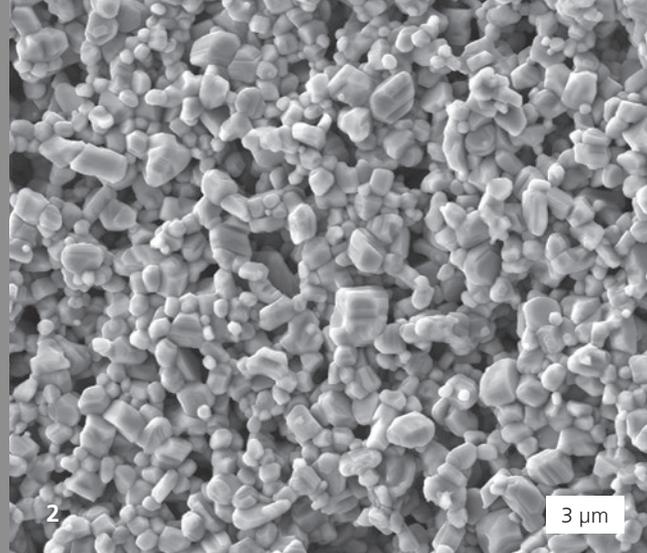
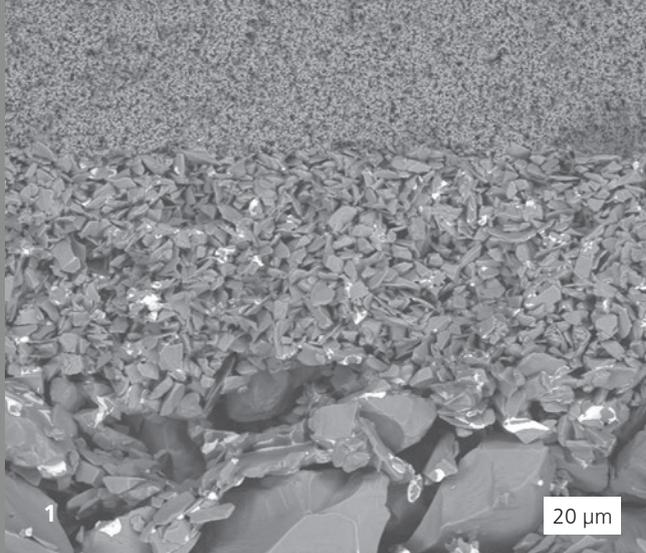
Process comparison in terms of energy costs and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the production of 1 Nm<sup>3</sup> O<sub>2</sub>

Process	kWh <sub>el</sub> <sup>a</sup>	kWh <sub>th</sub> <sup>b</sup>	€-Ct.	g CO <sub>2</sub>
Cryo ASU	> 0.38		4.1 <sup>a</sup>	290 <sup>c</sup>
PSA	> 0.90 <sup>d</sup>		9.0	540
Vacuum-PSA	> 0.36 <sup>d</sup>		3.6	216
MIEC membrane plants according to heating method				
a) Electric	> 0.45		4.5	270
b) Gas	> 0.20	0.25	2.6	185
c) Waste heat	> 0.20		2.0	120

<sup>a</sup> 10 Ct/kWh<sub>el</sub>; 600 g CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh<sub>el</sub>; <sup>b</sup> 2.5 Ct/kWh<sub>th</sub>; 260 g CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh<sub>th</sub>; <sup>c</sup> incl. transport; <sup>d</sup> < 95 vol % O<sub>2</sub>

potential. Additionally, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are lower for O<sub>2</sub> production in MIEC membrane plants because much more CO<sub>2</sub> per kWh is generated in the production of electricity than in the combustion of gas. MIEC membrane plants can thus also be used beneficially in processes in which the established O<sub>2</sub> production methods are no longer feasible.

- 1 Schematic diagram showing the working principle of MIEC membrane separation.
- 2 BSCF capillaries for O<sub>2</sub> production.
- 3 CAD drawing of a device producing 10 Nm<sup>3</sup> O<sub>2</sub>/h.



## EFFICIENT AND COST-EFFECTIVE SiC MEMBRANES FOR LIQUID FILTRATION

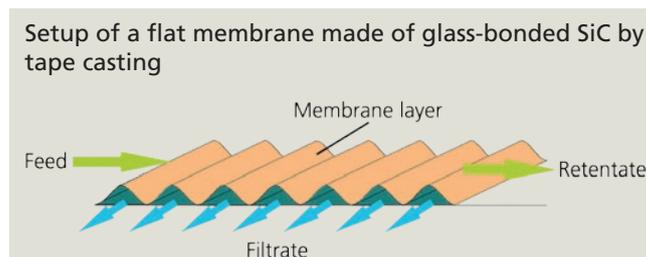
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Membrane filters made of oxide ceramics (e.g.,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ) are the state of the art for microfiltration (MF) and ultrafiltration (UF). Silicon carbide (SiC) ceramic membranes have recently been gaining popularity for liquid filtration, especially for treatment of oil-water mixtures, or “produced water”, from the oil and gas production. A higher flow has been named as a significant benefit of SiC membranes and confirmed by potential users, giving rise to a new market. In principle, there are three types of materials used for porous SiC ceramics: RSiC, LPS-SiC, and silicate-bonded (glass-bonded) SiC. These three materials have different chemical and physical properties, such as chemical stability and abrasive wear resistance and differ significantly in terms of production costs.

Fraunhofer IKTS’s longstanding expertise in the area of particle and liquid filtration, different SiC materials, and membrane development has yielded a variety of advancements and innovations in materials adaptation, membrane design, and production and application engineering.

Over the last two years, Fraunhofer IKTS has been working intensively on LPS-SiC microfiltration membranes. Two different variations of extruded substrates with different pore sizes ( $D_{50}$  of 3 and 12  $\mu\text{m}$ ) and approx. 45 % open porosity were produced. A homogeneous, porous membrane with an average pore diameter of 400 nm was successfully deposited on top of an intermediate layer with a pore size of 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$  and an open porosity of 45 % (Figures 1 and 2). For mass applications, such as drinking water filtration and treatment of waste water (e.g., gray water or water from biogas plants), glass-bonded SiC flat membranes were developed, manufactured, and tested at Fraunhofer IKTS in the last 15 years. These membranes were made by tape

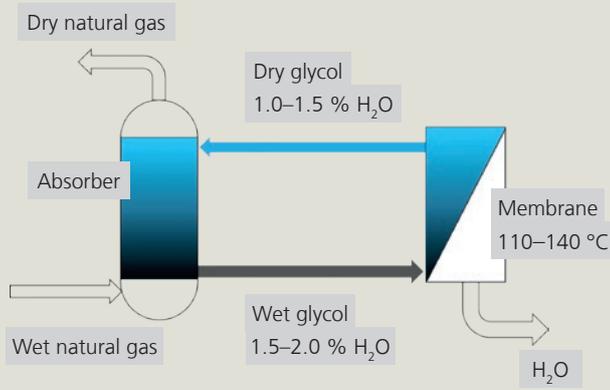
casting technology with casting, structuring, and laminating of a wave structure (see below). These wave structures were combined into stacks in a housing. Unlike in pure SiC filters, the chemical stability is only given for a pH of 2–9 because of the glass bonding. The advantage lies in the very low production costs of about 110–170 euros/ $\text{m}^2$  filter area (installed in the stack) using an established manufacturing method for > 5000  $\text{m}^2$  filter area/year at Fraunhofer IKTS. This cost advantage is generated through co-casting of the substrate and the intermediate layer and the possibility of fast co-firing of all layers at low temperatures in air.



### Services offered

- Design, dimensioning, development, and optimization of SiC filter materials and filtration systems for liquid filtration and exhaust after-treatment
- Application-based characterization of filter properties

- 1 Cross section of an LPS-SiC filter (multilayer structure).
- 2 Surface of a filtration layer in an LPS-SiC filter.

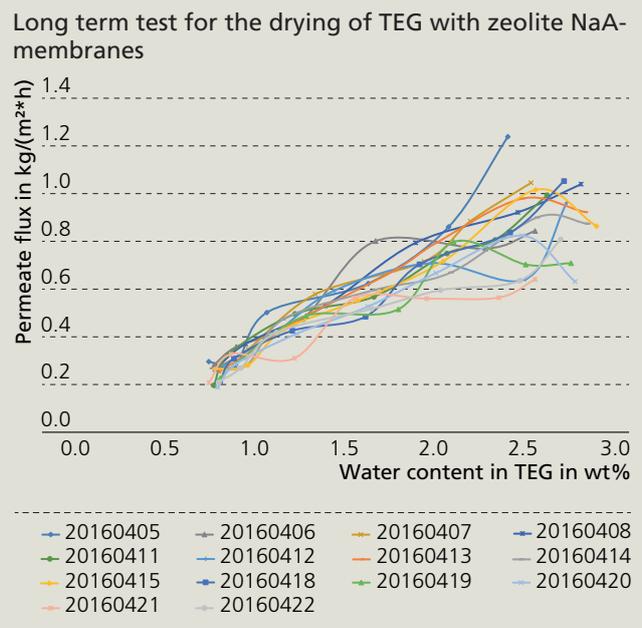


# INDIRECT NATURAL GAS DRYING WITH HYDROPHILIC ZEOLITE MEMBRANES

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Natural gas has to be buffered in underground storage facilities to accommodate seasonal fluctuations in demand. During storage, natural gas absorbs humidity. When gas is extracted from the storage site and pumped into pipelines to consumers, it has to be dried again in order to avoid condensation. Normally, this drying process takes place by an absorption process using triethylene glycol (TEG). The TEG operates in a water vapor loading range of 0.5 to 2 wt %. After water absorption the TEG has to be regenerated. This is conventionally done by distillation at temperatures of 190 to 205 °C. The high regeneration temperatures cause thermal degradation of the TEG. Hence, the TEG has to be changed regularly.

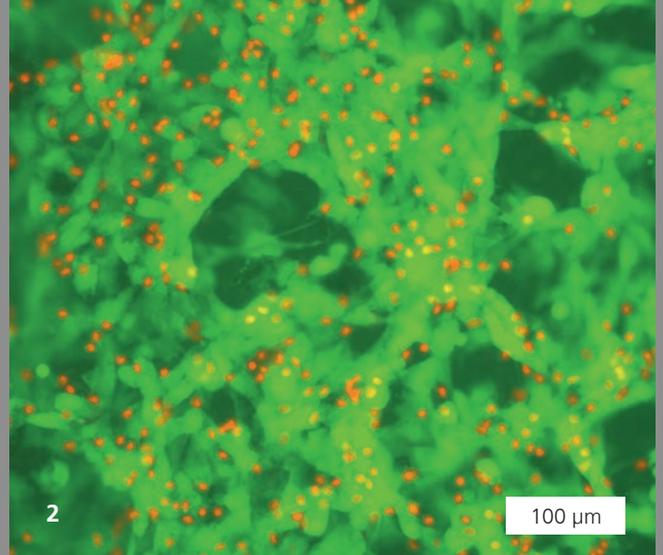
These high regeneration temperatures can be avoided through use of a hydrophilic zeolite membrane that was developed for drying of organic solvents. The membranes show convincing separation properties in ethanol dewatering by pervaporation or vapor permeation. The permeate, which is drawn off of the membrane in vapor form with a low ethanol content, is returned to the distillation column. In the drying of the TEG, the permeate must be free of TEG because otherwise it would remain in the ceramic membrane substrate and accumulate there due to its low vapor pressure. Transport of water vapor would be greatly hindered by the clogged pores. Within the scope of the project, iterative optimization of the individual steps in the membrane synthesis process yielded a considerable improvement in membrane quality. Selected membranes show largely TEG-free permeates in long-term tests. Large-scale testing is now being carried out in a pilot plant with a membrane area of 20 m<sup>2</sup> (225 membranes) for drying of TEG from the underground storage site in Stassfurt.



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- 1 Process schema of indirect natural gas drying.
- 2 "MEMTEG" membrane plant.





# INDIVIDUALLY STRUCTURED DENTAL IMPLANTS

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Use of dental implants is on the rise in dentistry. In Germany, around 1.1 million implants are applied per year, with titanium implants representing today's gold standard. However, there is also a concomitant increase in the occurrence of complications, such as periimplantitis (inflammation of the soft tissues surrounding an implant). Zirconia offers the advantages of good biocompatibility for people with allergies, outstanding soft tissue properties, low plaque accumulation rates, and excellent red-white aesthetics. Macro-/microstructuring of the ceramic surface is accomplished not via additive and/or subtractive processes, but rather directly during shaping of the ceramic by slip casting. For this purpose, a CAD/CAM process chain was developed and the first prototypes were manufactured.

For producing the green body, slurries with 3 and 2 mol % yttria-stabilized zirconia, were prepared. With these slurries, the macro-/microstructure was able to be transferred by slip casting to the surface of the dental implant (Figure 1). The topography of the sintered ceramic surface was investigated by

means of white light interference microscopy. The results were in good agreement with the CAD data for the structure. The Ra value of the microstructure was 4.5 μm. The ceramics were sintered at ≤ 1400 °C.

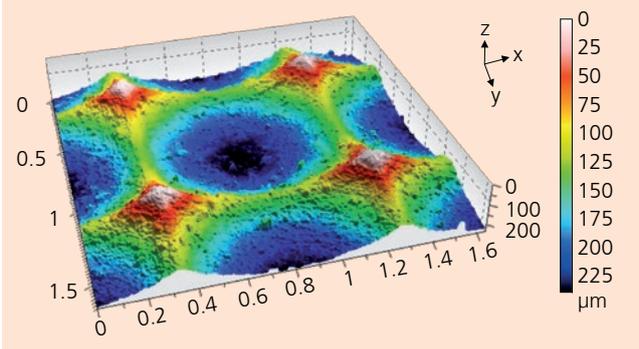
### Characteristic material properties

	3 mol %	2 mol %
YSZ		
4-point bending strength	985 MPa	1140 MPa
Weibull parameter	m 14.5	m 20.8
Fracture toughness HV10	MPa√m	MPa√m
According to Shetty	6.1±0.6	14.2±1.5
According to Niihara	5.1±0.5	12.1±1.2

The characteristic properties of the materials clearly indicate that by reducing the amount of yttria-stabilized zirconia, it was possible to double the fracture toughness and improve the strength. Results of preliminary cell tests showed that cell colonization on the macro-/microstructured ceramic surface was completed within 24 h.

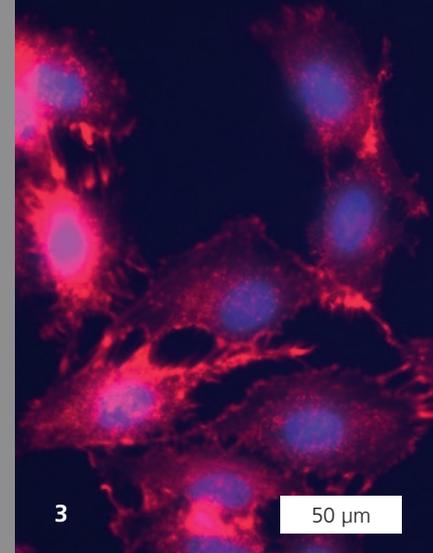
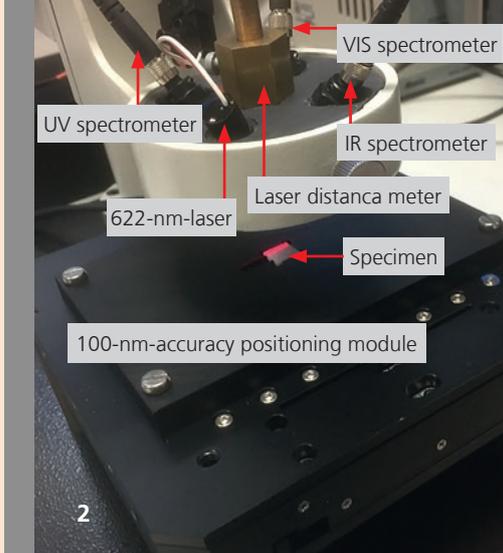
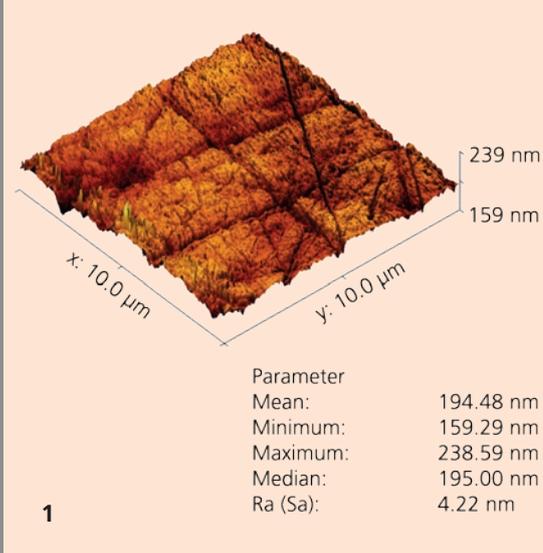
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3D map of the topography of a structural element



- 1 Blanks made of YSZ (slip casting).
- 2 Cell colonization after 24 h.





BIO- AND MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

## BIOINTERFACE STUDIES IN BIOCERAMICS: IMPROVEMENT OF EXISTING METHODS

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Ceramic materials are quickly establishing themselves as biomaterials in implantology. Up to now, the properties of biomedical materials have been evaluated in in-vitro studies by

- cultivation of cells on the substrate and/or
- incubation of materials in a physiological fluid (e.g., blood)

Numerous factors, including the material surface, protein adsorption, and different cell and tissue types, influence the interactions at the "biointerface", or the boundary between the biological system and the material surface. The biocompatibility of a material is currently evaluated through in-vitro tests based on ISO standards, such as ISO 10993.

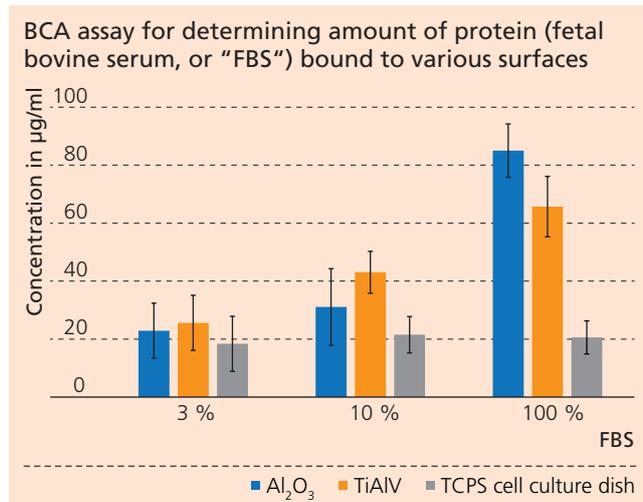
There are only a few standard test methods available for investigating the interactions between the material and blood because of the high degree of complexity of and variations in patient-specific blood response. Contact of the biomaterial with blood leads to activation of blood coagulation and inflammatory responses. The first phase (primary adhesion of blood proteins) is essential for initiation of an immune response and is the focus of the research performed in the ATTRACT group at Fraunhofer IKTS. The aims are to improve standard laboratory methods and to establish new nanoscale-resolution technologies (e.g., AFM) as standard test methods for enabling detailed analysis of protein adsorption on bioceramic and other material surfaces in the future.

### Methods

Protein detection and quantitation:

- Raman spectroscopy, atomic force microscopy (AFM), fluorescence microscopy, confocal microscopy, ellipsometry

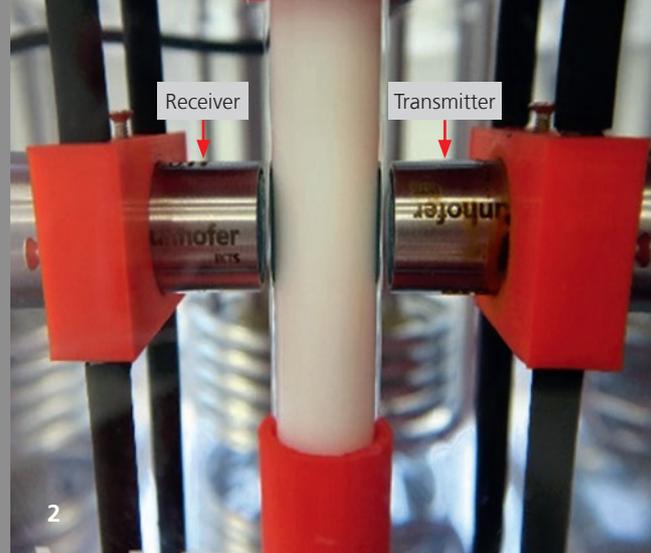
- Multispectral, nanoscale raster analysis
- Colorimetric assays for protein quantitation, e.g., based on bicinchoninic acid (BCA assay)



Imaging methods for specific cell types:

- Fluorescent dyes
  - Specific cytoskeletal proteins: cell adhesion and morphology
  - Live/dead dyes: cell vitality and growth
- Material-protein-cell interactions via AFM and SEM

- 1 AFM measurement made on polished Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coated with BSA.
- 2 Raster measuring device.
- 3 Bone cells (MG-63) following one hour of incubation on a polished (FBS) protein-coated Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> surface (red = F-actin, blue = cell nuclei).



## BIO- AND MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

# ACOUSTIC AND INDUCTIVE ELECTRICAL IMPEDANCE SPECTROSCOPY

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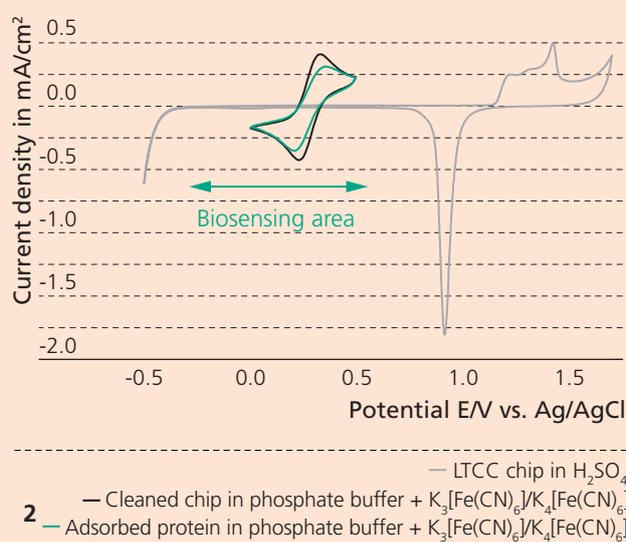
Impedance is the resistance of a material to the propagation of a wave. A wave can be of mechanical (e.g., ultrasound) or electromagnetic nature. The impedance is referred to as the acoustic impedance in the first case and the electrical impedance in the latter case. The impedance contains a significant amount of valuable information for describing the state of a medium. By investigating the acoustic impedance, which is influenced by the density, Young's modulus, and attenuation effects, it is possible to analyze changes in material properties, such as particle or cell size, weight, viscosity, or molecular chain lengths. Electrical impedance spectroscopy responds to changes in electrical conductivity and dielectric properties, such as ionic concentration, displacement of charges, and polarization effects. With a spectroscopic approach employing both methods, i.e., measurement of both the electrical and the acoustic impedance over a wide frequency range, influences, e.g., resulting from resonance effects can be measured.

For performing acoustic impedance measurements, a broadband ultrasonic spectrometer with transmission of an ultrasonic wave through a test tube via two sensors (Figure 1) was developed at Fraunhofer IKTS on the basis of the PCUS® system platform. In the past, electrical impedance measurements required direct electrode contact between the probe and the material to be investigated or a capacitive approach with an open capacitor structure. Both approaches require direct contact between the medium and the sensor, whereas the sensor range (measurable sample volume) is low. The impedance measurement technique developed at Fraunhofer IKTS and based on the EddyCus® high-frequency eddy current technique also developed at the institute overcomes this obstacle. For the

measurement, coils with alternating current flowing through them (Figure 2) are used, with no direct contact with the sensor being required.

In cooperation with the Fraunhofer Institute for Cell Therapy and Immunology IZI in Leipzig, applications for long-term evaluation of biochemical processes were investigated. With the technique, changes in blood cells can be observed through a container wall in a non-contact manner. In the future, the range of applications will be expanded to include long-term monitoring of polymer materials and ceramics.

- 1 Prototyp for the acoustic impedance spectroscopy of fluids developed at Fraunhofer IKTS.
- 2 Alternating current induction coils.



BIO- AND MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

## SENSORS: CERAMIC-BASED MICROCHIPS FOR BIOANALYTICS

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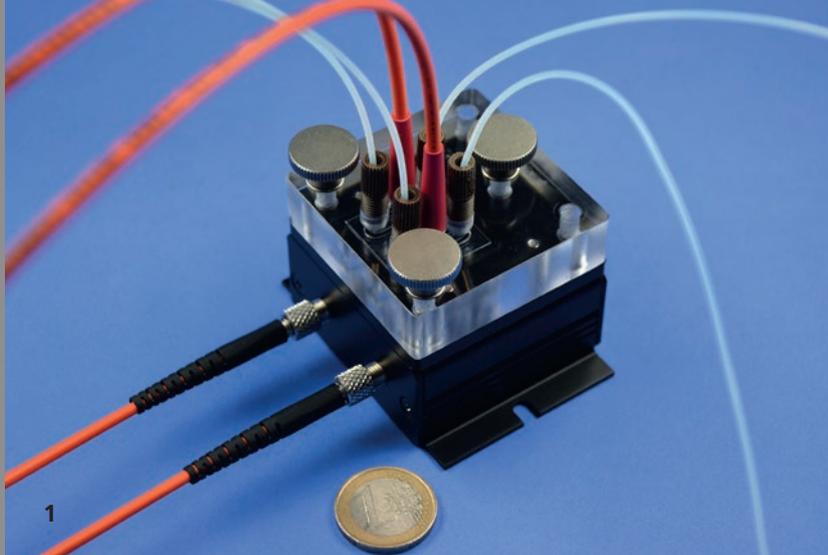
Fraunhofer IKTS develops concepts for ceramic-based biosensors as well as the required materials and processes for manufacturing and characterization of them. Because of their excellent stability and reliability, high-performance ceramics are taking on an increasingly important role in electronics. Ceramic microelectromechanical systems (MEMS) in the medical sector, specific channel structures for the complex handling of fluids and gases, even under extreme conditions, and integrated functional ceramic microelements are characterized by higher sensitivity and multiselectivity. Especially in biosensors, ceramic materials offer the unique properties of long-term stability, biocompatibility, and the combination of electrical and insulating properties.

Immobilization of biomolecules represents a substantial challenge for the development of biosensors because stability, functionality, and specificity of the biocomponents should not be affected. In an initial step, IKTS scientists focus on the long-term stability of the physicochemical components under cyclic loading and the general possibility of biochemical functionalization. Different substrate materials for low-temperature co-fired ceramics (LTCC) and gold pastes are selected for the chip production to ensure optimal conditions for biosensor applications; this is a prerequisite for ceramic multilayer technology, which potentially allows for 3D structuring and system integration and at the same time a hermetic barrier as well as economical large-scale manufacturing. Use of these chips in electrochemical biosensors places special demands on the surface quality of the gold electrodes and hence the ceramic substrates. For this reason, the surface roughness was optimized and could be reduced by 30 to 50 %, depending on the given LTCC. In

tests in acid media under cyclic conditions (cyclic voltammetry), suitable combinations ensuring good adhesion and long-term stability of the gold contacts as well as minimal dissolution and degradation were identified. Except for capacitive currents, no reaction is visible in a wide electrochemical window bounded by redox peaks. Within these stationary regions, even small signals corresponding to biorecognition on the functionalized sensor surface are detectable under certain circumstances.

The sensor design is simultaneously being optimized by means of surface plasmon resonance spectroscopy (SPR). This shows that the protein detection signal measured with aptamer-functionalized gold surfaces is clearly dependent on concentration. The results are reproducible and specific compared with the control surface. Repeated regeneration of biochemical functionalization is possible with only a slight decrease in signal height. With this modification, LTCC sensors can be used in in-vitro diagnostics or biotechnology.

- 1 Different LTCC sensor chips with printed gold electrodes.
- 2 Cyclic voltammetry of an LTCC sensor chip.



## OPTICS

# OPTICAL DETECTION OF ANTHROPOGENIC TRACE SUBSTANCES IN WATER TREATMENT PLANTS

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One of the pressing challenges facing modern industrialized societies is the ever-increasing concentration of complex trace substances of anthropogenic origin in the environment. Typical trace substances include pesticides, antibiotics, and hormones. The effect of this trend on human health is not yet fully understood. However, experts agree that the excessive amounts of these substances currently seen in drinking and environmental water will have negative long-term effects. Up to now, the chemical analysis of these complex organic substances has been extremely laborious and only random sampling has been possible. Furthermore, highly sensitive detection systems are required for reliably detecting the low concentrations.

With the "ANTHROPLAS" project, Fraunhofer IKTS and partners from industry aim to supplement the currently used detection methods with an online technique. To that end, an analytical tool for anthropogenic trace substances for field operation in water treatment plants is currently being developed and will be tested under real application conditions within the scope of the project, which is funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).

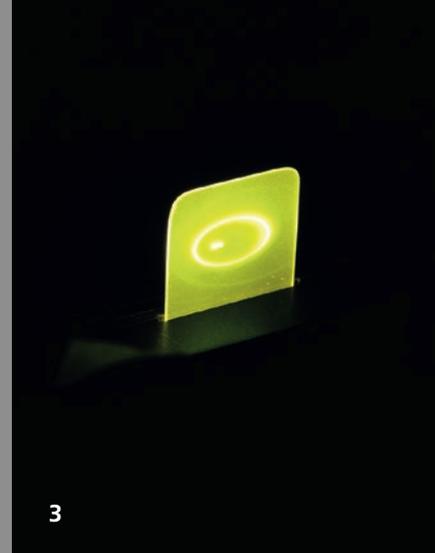
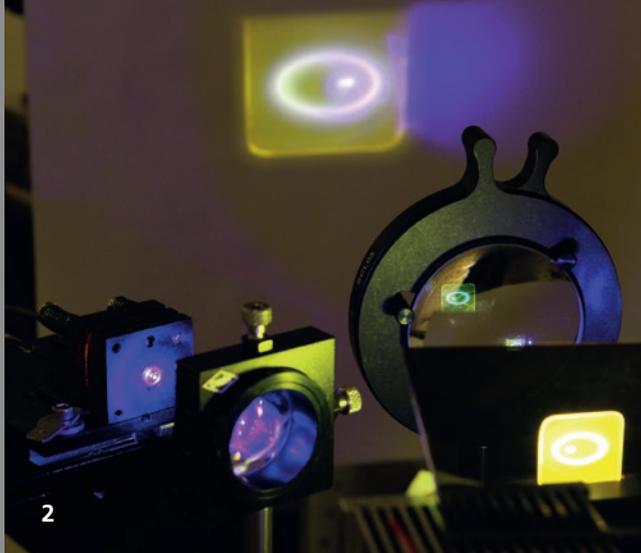
The chemical sensor system to be used for this is based on an advanced version of the successful and well-accepted surface plasmon resonance (SPR) spectroscopy technique. This spectroscopy method is implemented at Fraunhofer IKTS in a way that enables the setup of a robust and miniaturized sensor system for on-site targeted control of the water treatment process, e.g., ozonization. Hence, the project contributes to a safe, efficient and cost-effective water treatment process.

A key point of departure from conventional SPR sensor systems is the use of nanostructured metal sensor substrates to allow simple optical interrogation. These metal structures facilitate the detection of anthropogenic trace substances via specific molecular binding processes at their surfaces. The thus-modified optical properties of the sensor substrates are continuously interrogated with an optoelectronic detection system. A change in the optical features, for example, the transmission signal, indicates the presence of a trace substance.

Figure 1 shows the current state of development of the sensor system. A central prerequisite for a reliable detection process is the optimization of the entire hardware used in terms of robustness and durability in field applications. As a lead substance, the concentration of diclofenac, a painkiller molecule, is monitored with a concentration resolution in the submicrogram-per-liter range. The online analytical system will be implemented and tested at a municipal water treatment plant in the Dresden region within the scope of the project.

1 Sensor unit for detection of diclofenac in treated water.





# SCALE-UP AND OPTIMIZATION OF CERAMIC PHOSPHORS FOR SPECIAL APPLICATIONS

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With the current surge in interest in light-converting ceramics for the high-power lighting segment, optimization and adjustment of cerium-doped  $Y_3Al_5O_{12}$  (YAG:Ce) ceramic phosphors are more important than ever. Applications in this area currently draw on both excitation possibilities for blue light of wavelength 450 nm: laser- and LED-based systems. At Fraunhofer IKTS, scale-up of the process to 4-inch ceramic phosphor wafers is being addressed in the Fraunhofer project “HeraKLED”, which stands for “Hermetically sealed luminescent ceramics for LEDs”. The aim is to enable use of ceramic light converter disks in LED-excited packages as hermetic sealing in wafer-to-wafer technology. For scale-up, the binder-free granules that had been optimized for transparent 2-cm disks were adjusted with respect to binder content and processed in a spray drying process. Uniaxial pressing was performed alone or in combination with CIP at pressures of 100–350 MPa to generate defect-free green bodies with a diameter of 130 mm. Optimization of sintering conditions yielded crack- and nearly distortion-free disks (Figure 1).

For laser-based applications, the 4-inch YAG:Ce disks are optimized for high-power illumination in cinema and flight simulation projectors and the smaller disks for headlight systems. In order to enable new functionalities for adaptive illumination, research on the combination of laser headlights with MEMS scanning mirror technology is performed with partners.

The YAG:Ce phosphor ceramic has to be optimized for each different application in consideration of several aspects, i.e., if the excitation is performed by laser or LED, if the ceramic phosphor is in transmission or reflection geometry, if sharp image

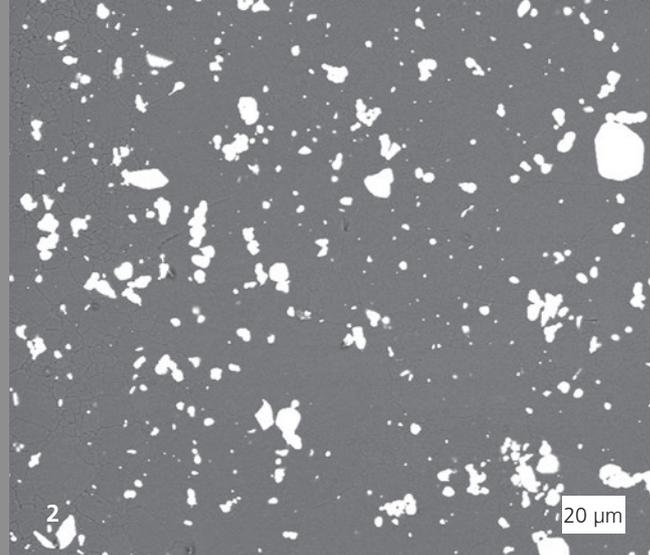
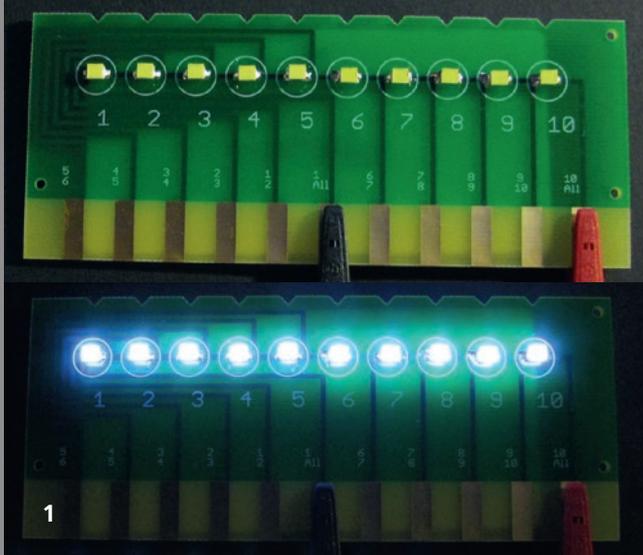
edges are required, or if the resulting white light beam should be formed and therefore the ceramic structured.

For all applications, adjustment of the scattering parameters for the intended use is crucial. At Fraunhofer IKTS, different approaches for incorporation of scattering into the ceramic are considered and compared against a transparent defect- and scattering-free YAG:Ce standard for determination of the influence of the scattering centers. Parameters, such as pore content and size, introduction of secondary phases, or dispersion of a YAG:Ce powder in a transparent ceramic matrix are investigated and compared with the aim of obtaining optimum results for various applications (see article by Ludwig and Barth).

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- 1 4-inch YAG:Ce ceramic phosphor with a low number of light scattering centers.
- 2 Experimental setup with fiber-coupled laser light.
- 3 Laser-excited Lissajous figure projected by a MEMS mirror.



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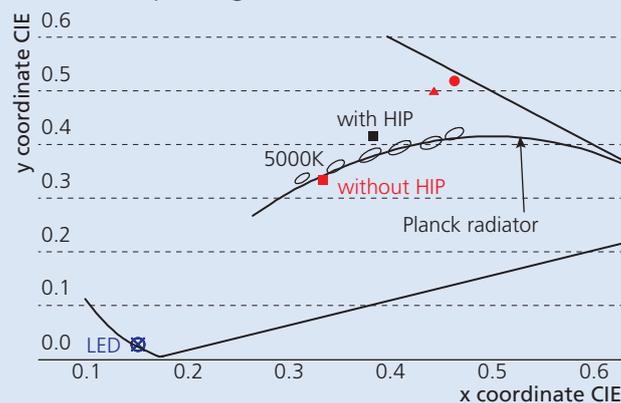
# LUMINESCENT MATERIAL-BASED COMPOSITES FOR LIGHTING TECHNOLOGY

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Light-emitting diodes (LEDs) with high power densities are currently revolutionizing nearly all areas of lighting technology due to their outstanding performance characteristics, such as light output and service life. Unlike conventional incandescent or halogen light bulbs, LEDs can only emit colored light over a very narrow range of wavelengths because of their underlying excitation mechanisms. For color perception reasons, general lighting applications normally use white light, which has a spectral composition largely approximating that of a thermal radiator to achieve good color rendering properties. The colored light of an LED must hence be converted to white light. Suitable converter phosphors that, due to electron excitation processes, absorb light at short wavelengths and emit the incoming energy in the form of light at longer wavelengths are used for this. For reproduction of all of the colors in the visible light spectrum, blue light is converted to white light with a yellow phosphor or a phosphor mixture. The phosphor is incorporated into a transparent binder matrix made of silicone or siloxane resin, applied as a paste to the LED chip, and thermally cured. With increasing LED power density, especially in the case of high-power LEDs, the phosphor and the organic binder matrix are subjected to increasingly high thermal and UV radiation loads, which affect both service life and quantum yield of the converter. With innovative converter materials in which the phosphor is either embedded in a transparent ceramic carrier material with high thermal and UV stability or applied to glasses or transparent ceramic substrates via a ceramic thick-film process, these disadvantages can be avoided and the stability and service life of these white light converters significantly improved.

Both through the implementation of luminescent YAG:Ce<sup>3+</sup> materials in a transparent spinel matrix and with the help of glass-ceramic YAG:Ce<sup>3+</sup> thick films, translucent converter disks that can be combined with a blue LED to achieve the white light curve in the CIE diagram can be fabricated. The outstanding thermomechanical properties of these converter disks predestine them for use in high-power LEDs.

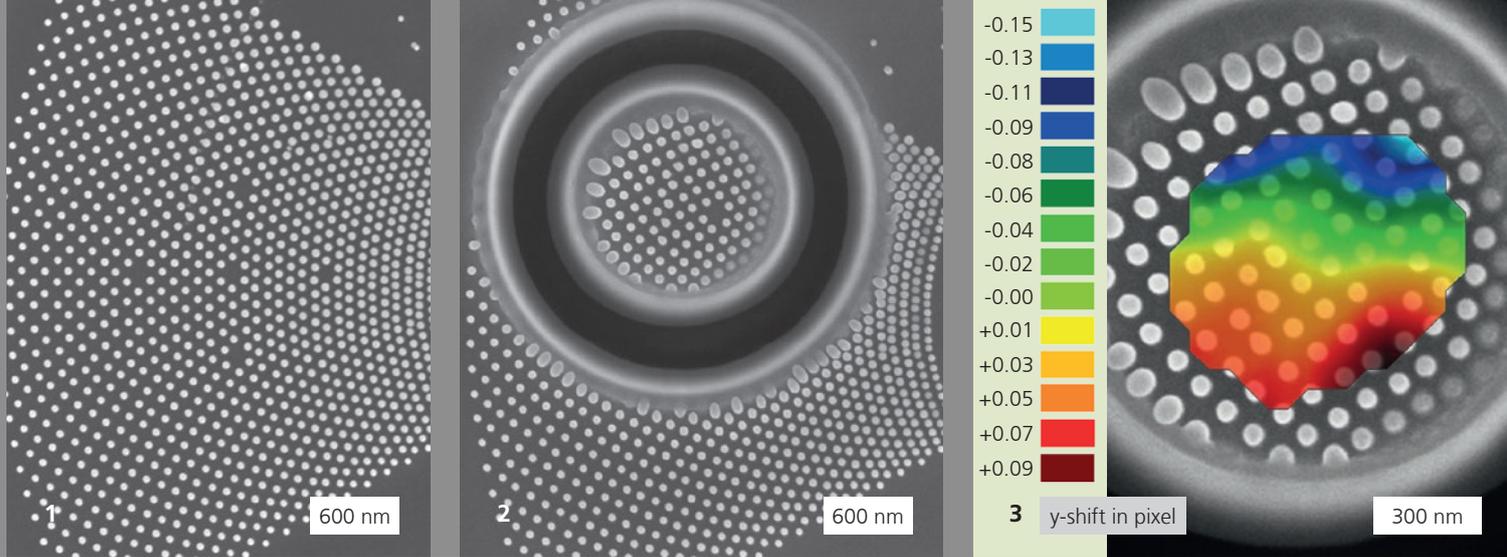
CIE chromaticity coordinates of translucent converter disks as a function of coating thickness, finishing, and hot isostatic pressing (HIP)



Composite dish + blue LED (500 mA): ● % (d = 0.85 mm)  
▲ % (d = 0.5 mm, ground) ■ % (d = 0.2 mm, ground)

- 1 Thick film-based white light converter chips on a diode array with no current applied (top) and with current applied (bottom).
- 2 Microstructure of the spinel-YAG:Ce<sup>3+</sup> composite ceramic.





## MEASUREMENT OF THE MICRO-STRESS STATE IN 3D ELECTRONICS USING THE FIB-DAC METHOD

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The determination of stresses adjacent to copper through-silicon vias (TSVs) is a very important task in cutting-edge microelectronics. These copper contacts, with diameters of 5–10  $\mu\text{m}$ , are placed inside silicon chips and are used to interconnect different chip levels in stacked 3D microelectronics. Due to the higher coefficient of thermal expansion, copper displays a stronger volume shrinkage than silicon, and during cooling down from the annealing temperature of 350  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  to room temperature, high mechanical stresses are induced in the silicon around the TSVs. This can cause reliability problems and change the electrical parameters of the transistors in the vicinity of the TSVs.

These effects can be controlled through measurement of the micro-stress state in 3D electronic structures. The FIB-DAC method was implemented for this. The name “FIB-DAC” stands for “Digital Auto Correlation” of scanning electron microscope images before and after material removal with the “Focused Ion Beam” technique. In detail, the following steps are performed:

Step 1: A stable high-contrast pattern with no translational symmetry is created on top of the region of interest (ROI) by deposition of platinum micro dots.

Step 2: An initial high-quality micrograph of the ROI (Figure 1) is taken with a scanning electron microscope.

Step 3: All material around the ROI is removed through milling of a circular slit with a focused ion beam; relaxation of the in-plane stresses results in small amounts of expansion/contraction (depending on the previous stress state) in the ROI.

Step 4: A second high-quality micrograph of the ROI is taken (Figure 2).

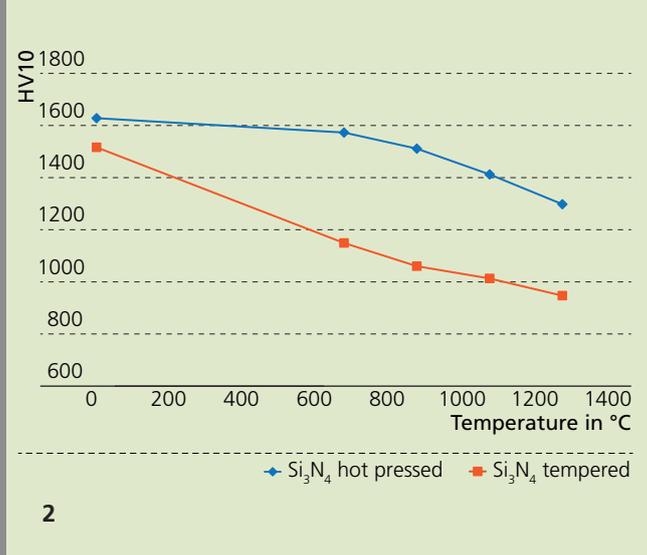
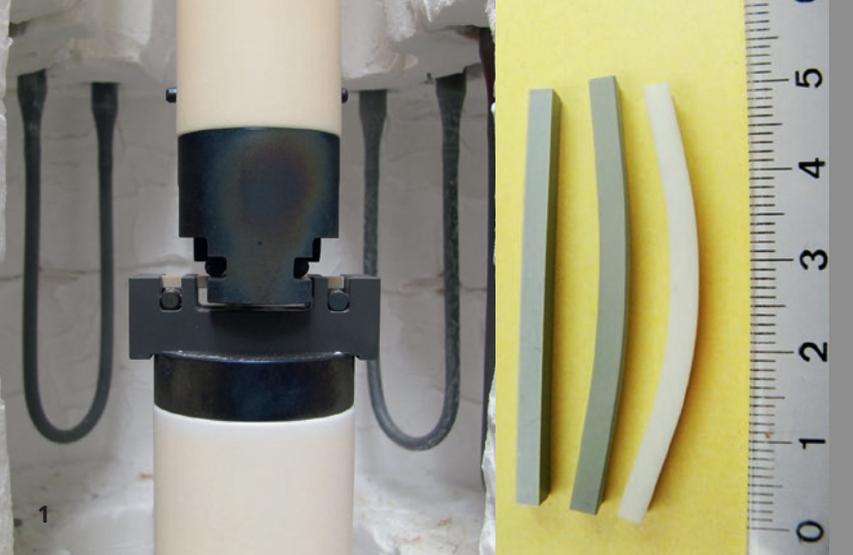
Step 5: The resulting strain field is calculated with subpixel accuracy using image correlation software (Figure 3).

Step 6: The stresses are calculated from the strains using either numerical or analytical solutions of the local geometry.

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- 1 SEM image of the high-contrast pattern on top of the ROI.
- 2 SEM image of the ROI after FIB milling.
- 3 Displacement field calculated with image correlation software using pre- and post-FIB SEM images.





## DETERMINATION OF MECHANICAL PROPERTIES AT MAXIMUM APPLICATION TEMPERATURES

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Fraunhofer IKTS develops ceramic materials for hot gas path components of gas turbines. High efficiency can be attained due to the high thermal stability of ceramic materials. For evaluation of material reliability, test methods with which key material parameters (strength, oxidation resistance, and corrosion resistance) can be determined precisely up to the highest application temperatures are needed.

The mechanical material properties were determined within the scope of various development projects through extensive strength tests under bending and compression loads. Measurement of fracture toughness on samples prepared with defects of defined geometry served toward evaluation of the crack sensitivity of the materials.

Test machines equipped with different furnaces for measurements in air up to 1600 °C or in a vacuum chamber up to 1400 °C for materials of low oxidation resistance are available. Young's modulus, which is required for component design, can be determined up to high temperatures through in-situ measurement of sample deformation by ceramic tips. High-temperature creep testing is performed at a constant bending stress. The failure mechanism is then studied in detail in terms of fracture behavior, dynamic fatigue, and creep for evaluation of the fatigue limit and adaptation of the microstructure to the given requirements. For meaningful strength data for materials showing a statistical scatter in strength to be obtained, a large number of individual tests (30) and calculation of the Weibull modulus are required.

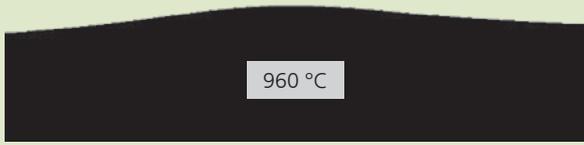
For applications such as cutting tools or special seals for valves in power plants, the service life of a material is strongly influenced by its wear resistance and hardness. Testing of hardness at room temperature is insufficient for evaluation of wear resistance at higher temperatures due to the additional effects of frictional heat or direct contact with hot media. This problem has been solved by a hot hardness tester developed at Fraunhofer IKTS to measure Vickers hardness up to 1500 °C (high vacuum). This tool is very useful in the development of materials with high wear resistance for applications with combined thermal and abrasive stress. Thanks to a high load range down to small test loads (HV0.2 to HV30), local characterization, for example, hardness line scans of graded materials or wear-resistant coatings, is possible. Flexible temperature control in combination with in-situ hardness testing is useful for optimization of thermal treatments.

### Services offered

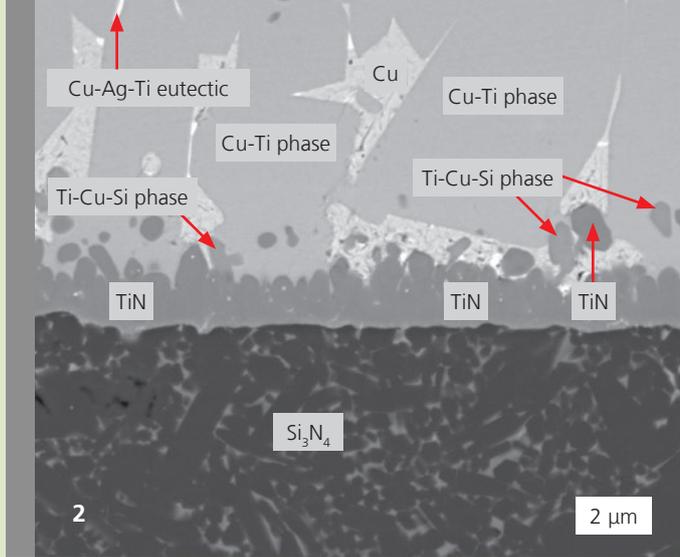
- Measurement of strength, fracture toughness, and Young's modulus between 20 and 1600 °C
- Measurement of Vickers hardness between 20 and 1500 °C
- Mechanical tests according to customer requirements

**1** Furnace and four-point bending setup (inset: materials of different creep resistance after creep test).

**2** High-temperature Vickers hardness of Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> ceramics with different grain sizes.



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MATERIALS AND PROCESS ANALYSIS

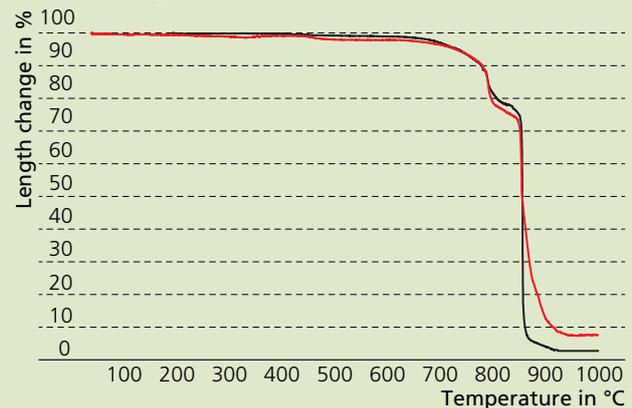
## OPTICAL DILATOMETRY IN HIGH-PURITY ATMOSPHERES

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Optical dilatometers measure dimensional changes in samples as a function of temperature and time. Along with hot-stage microscopes, they have a wide range of applications in materials and process development. For example, they can be used in the investigation of sintering processes and thermal expansion behavior, especially of anisotropic or fragile materials as well as samples with complex geometries. Wetting and spreading behavior on different substrates can be determined through optical measurement of the contact angle and determination of the surface tension up to high temperatures as well as measurement of the viscous properties of glasses. In addition, investigation of contact corrosion between metal and glass melts, slags, and molten ashes in contact with ceramic and metal materials is possible. Characterization of infiltration, for example, of metal melts into ceramic materials is another important possibility. Standard optical dilatometers and hot-stage microscopes are designed for measurements in air or atmospheres with relatively high oxygen concentrations. Within the framework of an AiF-ZIM project funded by the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi), Fraunhofer IKTS and Linseis Messgeräte GmbH have developed an optical dilatometer working in a high vacuum (approx.  $5 \cdot 10^{-5}$  mbar) with oxygen concentrations of about 0.5 ppm in dynamic atmospheres (normal pressure, approx. 5 L/h argon) for the analysis of processes under high vacuum or in high-purity atmospheres at temperatures of up to 1600 °C. A typical application for optical dilatometry is the characterization of processes occurring during joining of ceramic-ceramic and metal-ceramic materials by active metal brazing. With the newly developed optical dilatometer, investigations on melting and wetting behavior of brazing alloys containing braze components (e.g., titanium) of high oxygen affinity on ceramic sub-

strates could be realized. In standard hot-stage microscopes, surface oxidation occurs because of the residual oxygen present, thereby hindering the wetting of the substrate by the brazing alloy or causing falsified experimental results to be obtained. With the new experimental possibilities, a major contribution to a fundamental understanding as well as the development and optimization of joining processes can be made.

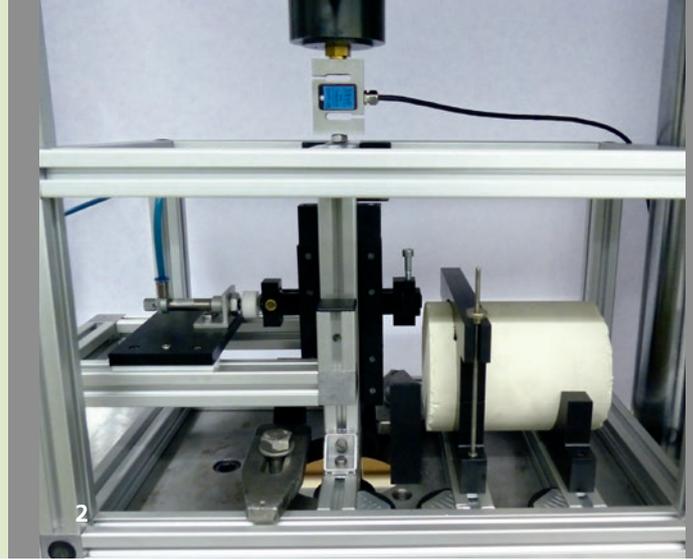
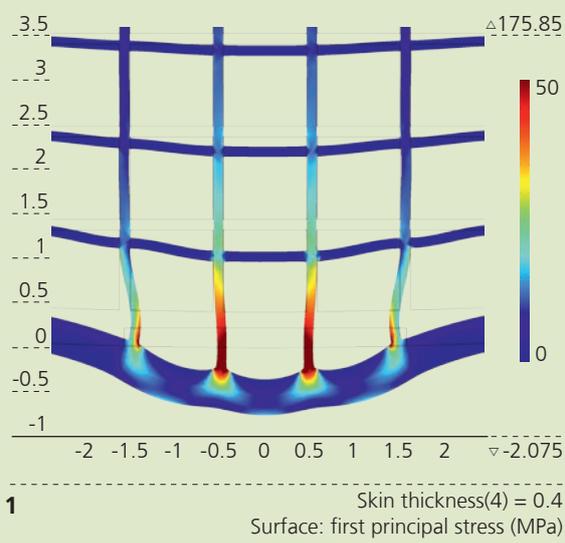
Change in height of a brazing alloy during melting and wetting of  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$



— Cu-Ag-Ti brazing alloy on  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$  in high vacuum ( $10^{-5}$  mbar)  
 — Cu-Ag-Ti brazing alloy on  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$  in Argon (1000 mbar)

- 1 Wetting of a  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$  substrate by an Ag-Cu-Ti brazing alloy.
- 2 Microstructure of the contact zone between an Ag-Cu-Ti brazing alloy and a  $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4$  substrate.





## COMPONENT-SPECIFIC TEST METHODS

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### Overview

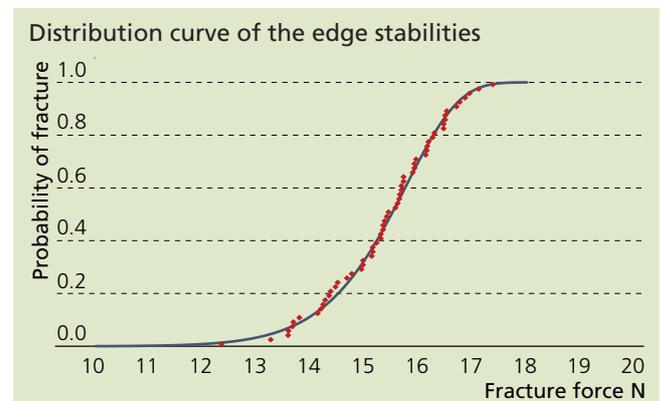
The increasing importance of ceramics as structural and functional materials requires component-specific test methods for determining the mechanical load capacity under realistic use conditions. These conditions are characterized by special geometrical as well as temporal loading scenarios and require solutions departing from the established and standardized universal procedures. For this purpose, the Laboratory for Quality and Reliability at Fraunhofer IKTS regularly develops component-specific test methods and systems. A current example is a test stand developed for UMICORE AG & CO. KG for determining edge stability in ceramic honeycombs.

### Test stand for determining edge stability

In the processing of ceramics with honeycomb structures, failures that can be traced back to instabilities in the edge regions occur. Often a certain minimum edge stability is a prerequisite for further processing. The aim of the work was hence to develop a method that was suitable for simple and reproducible measurement of edge stability as well as for receiving inspections of random samples. Based on extensive preliminary examinations of samples from production as well as from inspection of the manufacturing facilities, a test system enabling simulation of the loads arising in the production process and measurement of edge stability for different ceramic honeycomb geometries was developed and validated.

For the measurement, a plunger is pressed flatly with an adjustable force against a defined edge region, the honeycomb is

loaded normally until fracture of the edge occurs, and the forces occurring in the process are recorded and evaluated electronically. In this way, it is possible to determine and check the type-specific limit values for edge stability.



### Services offered

- Development of component-specific test methods
- Design and construction of component-specific test systems
- FEM simulations for the development of test systems
- Process evaluation with inspection of manufacturing facilities

1 FEM simulation of the stress state in edge regions of a ceramic honeycomb.

2 Test stand for measurement of edge stability in ceramic honeycombs.



# MICROPLASTICS – CHARACTERIZATION AND WEATHERING

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## Microplastics – a new challenge for environment and research

Plastic particles are ubiquitous in the environment and have already been detected in water and soil. Microplastics include all polymer particles that are smaller than 5 mm in one dimension. Storms, accidents, and unprofessional or illegal disposal of plastic waste are possible pathways for entry of microplastics into the environment. The poor biodegradability of polymers leads to a long residence time in nature, where the plastics undergo different weathering and aging processes. Secondary microplastics are generated through disintegration of large plastic fragments into smaller pieces during weathering. Aging processes, such as photochemical degradation, mechanical fragmentation, or sorption of pollutants onto particle surfaces, change the chemical and physical properties of the polymers and thereby have a significant effect on the interactions occurring between microplastics and the environment.

The goal of artificial weathering of microplastics under laboratory conditions is to understand the complex natural weathering processes and their influence on material properties. Therefore, the complex processes are broken down into individual biotic and abiotic weathering steps. The natural weathering of microplastics usually starts with exposure of the material to the ultraviolet (UV) part of natural sunlight. For evaluating the influence of UV radiation on microplastics, weathering experiments with UV lamps are performed under laboratory conditions. As a first step, microplastic particles are dispersed in different media. The resulting dispersions are exposed to UV radiation for a defined period. Microplastic particles are ana-

lyzed both before and after the experiments. The chemical characterization includes the determination of chemical composition, crystal structure, crystallinity, and surface charge of the material. Initial results show that the crystallinity of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and low-density polyethylene (LDPE) increases during UV light exposure. Additionally, physical parameters, such as density, specific surface area, and wettability, are determined. Optical methods also provide information about aging of materials. Scanning electron microscopy is used to evaluate the particle surface, whereas dynamic imaging allows for determination of particle size and shape distributions. The results of the first weathering experiments show an influence of UV light on particle size distribution.

Understanding the complex aging processes, their influence on material properties, and the resulting behavior of microplastics in the environment is the basis for a comprehensive risk assessment of a material. This complex analysis of weathering processes of polymer materials is being carried out within the framework of the EU project “Weather-Mic” in cooperation with partners from Belgium, Norway, Sweden, and Germany.

1 *Natural aging of plastic materials.*

2 *Artificial weathering of microplastics in the laboratory.*



# COOPERATION IN GROUPS, ALLIANCES AND NETWORKS

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## Membership in Fraunhofer Groups, Alliances and Networks

Scientists at Fraunhofer IKTS are active in numerous thematically oriented networks, alliances and groups. Therefore, our customers benefit from having a coordinated range of joint services available to them.

AMA Association for Sensors and Measurement	Competence Network on Optical Technologies (Optonet)	European Powder Metallurgy Association (EPMA)
American Ceramic Society (ACerS)	Cool Silicon	European Rail Innovation Center
Association Competence Center for Aerospace and Space Technology Saxony/Thuringia (LRT)	DECHEMA – Society for Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology	European Research Association for Sheet Metal Working (EFB)
Association for Manufacturing Technology and Development (GFE)	Deutsche Glastechnische Gesellschaft (DGG)	European Society of Thin Films (EFDS)
Association of Electrochemical Research Institutes (AGEF)	DIN – German Institute for Standardization	Expert Group on Ceramic Injection Molding in the German Ceramic Society
Association of German Engineers (VDI)	Deutsche Keramische Gesellschaft (DKG / German Ceramic Society)	Expert Group on High-Temperature Sensing Technology in the German Society for Materials Science
Association of the Thuringian Economy	DKG/DGM Community Committee	Fraunhofer Adaptronics Alliance
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biosaxony	Dresden Fraunhofer Cluster Nanoanalysis	Fraunhofer AdvanCer Alliance
Carbon Composites (CCeV)	Dresdner Gesprächskreis der Wirtschaft und der Wissenschaft	Fraunhofer Battery Alliance
Ceramics Meeting Point Dresden	Dual Career Network Central Germany	Fraunhofer Cluster 3D Integration
Competence Center for Nano Evaluation nanoeva®	Energy Saxony	Fraunhofer Energy Alliance

Fraunhofer Group for Materials and Components – MATERIALS	German Engineering Association (VDMA)	NanoMat – Supraregional Network for Materials Used in Nanotechnology	Wasserwirtschaftliches Energiezentrum Dresden
Fraunhofer Group for Microelectronics	German Society for Materials Research (DGM)	Nanotechnology Center of Excellence for “Ultrathin Functional Layers”	WindEnergy Network Rostock
Fraunhofer Lightweight Design Alliance	German Society for Non-Destructive Testing (DGZfP)	ProcessNet – an Initiative of DECHEMA and VDI-GVC	
Fraunhofer Nanotechnology Alliance	German Thermoelectric Society (DTG)	Research Association for Diesel Emission Control Technologies (FAD)	
Fraunhofer Numerical Simulation of Products and Processes Alliance	Hydrogen Power Storage & Solutions East Germany	Research Association for Measurement Technology, Sensors and Medical Technology Dresden (fms)	
Fraunhofer Textile Alliance	International Energy Agency (IEA) Implementing Agreement on Advanced Fuel Cells	Research Association on Welding and Allied Processes of the German Welding Society (DVS)	
Fraunhofer Water Systems Alliance (SysWasser)	International Zeolite Association	Silicon Saxony	
German Acoustical Society (DEGA)	KMM-VIN (European Virtual Institute on Knowledge-based Multifunctional Materials AISBL)	smart <sup>3</sup>	
German Association for Small and Medium-sized Businesses (BVMW)	Materials Research Network Dresden (MFD)	SmartTex Network	
German Biogas Association	medways	Society for Corrosion Protection (GfKORR)	
German Electroplating and Surface Treatment Association (DGO)	Meeting of Refractory Experts Freiberg (MORE)	Thüringer Erneuerbare Energien Netzwerk e. V. (ThEEN)	
German Energy Storage Association (BVES)	Micro-Nanotechnology Thuringia (MNT)		

## FRAUNHOFER GROUP FOR MATERIALS AND COMPONENTS – MATERIALS

Materials research and materials technology at Fraunhofer cover the entire value chain, from the development of new and the improvement of existing materials, through manufacturing technology on a quasi-industrial scale, up to the characterization of properties and assessment of service behavior. The same research scope applies to the components made from these materials and the way they function in systems. As far as materials are concerned, the Fraunhofer MATERIALS group covers the full spectrum of metals, inorganic non-metals, polymers, and materials made from renewable resources, as well as semiconductor materials. Over the last few years, hybrid materials have gained significantly in importance. With strategic forecasts the Group supports the development of future-oriented technologies and materials. With the initiative Materials Data Space® (MDS) founded in 2015, the Group is presenting a roadmap towards Industry 4.0 enabled materials. Digitalization of materials along their entire value creation chain is viewed by the Group as a key requirement for the lasting success of Industry 4.0.

### Objectives of the Group:

- Supporting accelerated innovation in the markets
- Promoting the success of Industry 4.0 through suitable material concepts (digital twins, Materials Data Space®)
- Increasing integration density and improving the usability properties of microelectronic devices and microsystems
- Improving the use of raw materials and improving the quality of the products manufactured from them, development of recycling concepts
- Enhancing safety and comfort and reducing resource consumption in the areas of transport, machine and plant construction, building & living
- Increasing the efficiency of systems in energy generation,

- energy conversion, energy storage and distribution
- Improving the biocompatibility and function of materials used in medical biotechnical devices, improving material systems for medical diagnosis, disease prevention and therapy
- Improving the protection of people, buildings and infrastructure through high-performance materials in tailored protection concepts

### Members are the Fraunhofer Institutes for

- Applied Polymer Research IAP
- Building Physics IBP
- Structural Durability and System Reliability LBF
- Chemical Technology ICT
- Manufacturing Technology and Advanced Materials IFAM
- Wood Research, Wilhelm-Klauditz-Institut, WKI
- Ceramic Technologies and Systems IKTS
- High-Speed Dynamics, Ernst-Mach-Institut, EMI
- Microstructure of Materials and Systems IMWS
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- Wind Energy and Energy System Technology IWES
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## FRAUNHOFER ADVANCER ALLIANCE

### Systems development with high-performance ceramics

The usage of high-performance ceramics allows for new applications in energy engineering, mechanical and plant engineering, and medical technology. Well-known examples are highly efficient tools and coatings, new material and manufacturing technologies for medical-technical products as well as creative solutions for energy and resource saving industrial processes. At present, AdvanCer is working in a joint project developing systems solutions and test methods for the oil and gas industry as well as for deep sea mining. It is the objective to develop new diamond-ceramic and hard metal materials as well as the appropriate manufacturing technologies. So, components may be realized which allow for the maintenance-free operation in up to 6000 m depth in the sea.

Four Fraunhofer Institutes (IKTS, IPK, ISC/HTL and IWM) have joined together to form the Fraunhofer AdvanCer Alliance. It is the aim of AdvanCer to develop individual systems solutions with advanced ceramics for industry. The research activities of the Fraunhofer Alliance extend along the entire value-added chain from modeling and simulation through application-oriented materials development, production and machining of ceramic parts to component characterization, evaluation and non-destructive testing under application conditions. Development work is conducted and supported by modeling and simulation methods.

Furthermore, AdvanCer has established a comprehensive range of training and consultancy services to support small and medium-sized companies in solving complex tasks ranging from prototype development to technology transfer.

### Fields of cooperation

- Materials development for structural and functional ceramics, fiber-reinforced ceramics, cermets and ceramic composites
- Component design and development of prototypes
- Systems integration and verification of batch-production capabilities
- Development of powder, fiber and coating technologies
- Materials, component and process simulation
- Materials and component testing
- Defect analysis, failure analysis, quality management
- Analysis of energy demand for thermal processes and to improve energy efficiency
- Increase of efficiency using ceramic components

### Services offered

- Development, testing and evaluation of materials
- Prototype and small series production
- Technology development and technology transfer
- Process analysis and design
- Consulting, feasibility studies, training programs

### Spokesperson of the Alliance

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**1** Test stand for the tribological testing of ceramic materials and components (Source: Dirk Mahler/Fraunhofer).



GROUPS, ALLIANCES, NETWORKS

## CERAMICS MEETING POINT – CERAMIC APPLICATIONS

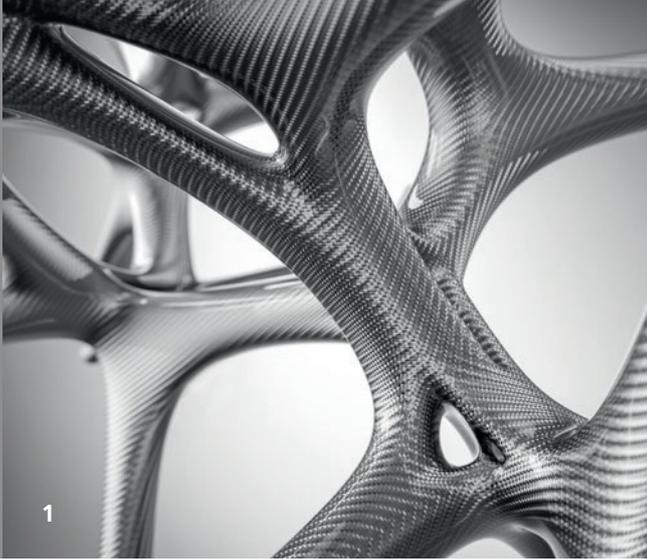
The Ceramics Meeting Point is an integral part of the public relations activities of Fraunhofer IKTS. The closed production chain from powder to component is displayed, not only from a scientific point of view but also as a mirror of technologies and capacities available in the industry. The visitor gets an impression of current focal points in research and is simultaneously informed about which manufacturers offer certain products commercially. With respective touchable models, the trust in the economic feasibility of new ideas is strengthened and the initiation of new projects facilitated.

Ceramic Applications of the Goeller Verlag, which took over the TASK GmbH business in 2015, embodies the new label of the cooperation with its currently 46 partners and members. The opportunity to see the latest research topics up to systems testing in one room and to get into contact with possible suppliers will be extended. The members of the Fraunhofer AdvanCer Alliance also benefit from this infrastructure.

In the workshops and training courses of the Fraunhofer AdvanCer Alliance and the Deutsche Keramische Gesellschaft (DKG / German Ceramic Society), the Ceramics Meeting Point is used to present the state of the art in industry and to show the practical relevance desired by the participants. Thus, a project forum particularly for small and medium-sized companies has developed, facilitating contacts to project initiators and research institutes.

By visiting the Ceramics Meeting Point within the framework of numerous events, such as the ICC6, the number of visitors was again increased. More than 1800 visitors informed themselves about ceramic product innovations and manufacturers in 2016. The Ceramics Meeting Point was also an essential part of the DKG division 1 "Chemie-/Maschinen-/Anlagenbau" this year. Suggestions for various project proposal via the DKG were formed here.

<sup>1</sup> Hannover Messe 2016:  
Fraunhofer IKTS at the joint  
booth "Ceramic Applications".



**GROUPS, ALLIANCES, NETWORKS**

## PROGNET – TESTING OF COMPOSITE MATERIALS

Project Group Berlin, located in Adlershof, was assigned the task of forming a cooperation network within the scope of the ZIM (Central Innovation Program for SMBs) by the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi).

Within the network, procedures and systems as well as simulation and monitoring tools are developed for ensuring the technical safety of highly reliable components manufactured with innovative materials.

Due to their outstanding properties, composite materials can be used for the efficient design of high-strength, lightweight components. For determining the structure-property relationships in these materials, methods and instruments that enable the characterization of the designed materials structure and behavior under load are called for. Both the aerospace industry and the automotive industry have identified a high demand for evaluation and testing of pure carbon fiber-reinforced composites (CFCs) and fiber-metal laminates (FMLs).

With the international trend in use of new materials that is beginning to emerge, it is safe to say that not only in Europe and the US but also in Asia in particular, a high demand for the products of the network will arise. Figure 2 depicts the predicted global need for carbon fibers. Demand is expected to rise until 2021. Similar trends are expected for other new materials. A corresponding increase in demand for tools and platforms for developing and testing components made of these materials is hence also anticipated.

The network provides its partners with funding options for a wide range of innovative technical projects. It aims to provide a sustainable improvement in the innovative and competitive

capacity of partner companies and thus contribute to their growth as well as to the creation and preservation of jobs. The innovative capacity in the field of test technology generated through Prognet and the close relationships to standardization bodies for test regulations are sure to provide leverage to the solutions flowing into the network partners' various products.

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- 1 Carbon structures (© mxd - Fotolia).
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## CENTER FOR ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY JENA (CEEC)

The Center for Energy and Environmental Chemistry Jena (CEEC) is an interfaculty center operated jointly by Fraunhofer IKTS and Friedrich-Schiller-Universität (FSU) Jena. The CEEC bundles the activities of the two research institutions in the fields of energy conversion, energy storage, and technical environmental chemistry. Focus is mainly on electrochemical energy storage systems and the materials, especially ceramics and polymers, used for them, energy converters, such as solar cells, and innovative water and waste water treatment methods. There are currently 12 professorships from FSU and 5 departments from IKTS represented at the CEEC. In addition to the new institute building in Jena, which has been in operation since 2015, laboratories and pilot-scale facilities for battery manufacturing and membrane technology are part of the center at Fraunhofer IKTS in Hermsdorf.

For IKTS, the CEEC represents a strategic cooperation platform with Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, especially in the field of basic research. Numerous joint Master's and PhD theses are organized, joint events offered, research projects initiated, and large-scale equipment used via the center. The "Chemistry - Energy - Environment" Master's program, in which IKTS is particularly prominent with its research activities, is also supervised and overseen by the CEEC and is the only program of its kind offered in Germany.

One focus of the collaboration is the "Technical Environmental Chemistry" chair, which is held by Prof. Michael Stelter, Deputy Institute Director of Fraunhofer IKTS. The working group is dedicated to water treatment, water purification, and water analysis using novel, combined physical and electrochemical methods, such as ultrasound and hydrodynamic cavitation, electrochemistry, and ceramic membrane technology. The

group thus functions as a bridge to the extensive work being performed at Fraunhofer IKTS in Hermsdorf and Dresden.

Additional topics addressed at the CEEC and of particular relevance to IKTS include the following:

- Materials for electrochemical reactors and batteries
- Organic active materials and membranes
- Carbon nanomaterials
- Glasses and optically active materials for photovoltaics and photochemistry
- Physical characterization

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- Vinnichenko, M. et al.  
Millisecond laser functionalization of the structures prepared using wet chemical deposition  
Presentation (author)
- Der Geothermiekongress 2016**, Essen, 29.11.–1.12.2016
- Friedrich, H.-J. et al.  
Elektrochemische Abtrennung scalingrelevanter Schwermetalle und Radionuklide aus geothermischen Tiefenwässern  
Invited presentation (author)
- 5. Deutsch-Polnisches PhD-Seminar "Advanced Materials Science"**, Schmochtitz, 30.11.2016
- Michaelis, A.  
Advanced ceramics for disruptive innovations  
Presentation (author)
- DKG Herbstsymposium 2016**, Erlangen, 30.11.–1.12.2016
- Capraro, B. et al.  
Überblick über moderne Foliengießverfahren am Fraunhofer IKTS für innovative Anwendungen  
Invited presentation (author)
- Eberstein, M. et al.  
Rheologie als Schlüssel für Druckverhalten und Funktionseigenschaften neuer Dickschichtpasten  
Presentation (author)
- Karlsruher Werkstoff-Kolloquium**, Karlsruhe, 6.12.2016
- Michaelis, A.  
Keramische Werkstoffe für die Energie und Umwelttechnologie  
Presentation (author)
- 5. Stiftungstagung des DECHEMA-Forschungsinstituts**, Frankfurt a. Main, 7.12.2016
- Schneider, M.  
Plasmaanodisieren als keramische Oberflächentechnologie  
Presentation (author)
- 6. Dresdner Werkstoffsymposium**, Dresden, 8.–9.12.2016
- Michaelis, A.  
In operando non-destructive evaluation techniques for additive manufacturing  
Presentation (author)
- 4th Cellular Materials – CellMAT 2016**, Dresden, 7.–9.12.2016
- Füssel, A. et al.  
Property adjustment of open-celled ceramic foams for high temperature applications assisted by numerical modelling  
Presentation (author)
- Haase, D. et al.  
TiO<sub>2</sub> coatings on ceramic foams for photocatalytic applications  
Presentation (author)
- Walther, G.; Kieback, B.; Büttner, T.; Gaitzsch, U.; Kolvenbach, R.; Weißgärber, T.; Lincke, M.  
Metal foam for applications in heterogeneous catalysis and biogas desulfurization  
Presentation (co-author)
- Expertenpanel "Biomaterialien"**, Mainz, 8.12.2016
- Johannes, M. et al.  
Bioinerte Oxidkeramiken für dentale und endoprothetische Anwendungen  
Presentation (author)
- **Teaching activities of IKTS employees**  
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- Dr. Eberstein, M.**  
Lecture  
"Dickschichttechnik"  
TU Bergakademie Freiberg, Institut für Keramik, Glas- und Baustofftechnik (16.6.2016)
- Dr. Fries, M.**  
Lecture  
"Granulationsverfahren und Granulatcharakterisierung in der keramischen Industrie"  
TU Bergakademie Freiberg (9.6.2016)
- Dr. Fries, M.; Bales, A.; Dr. Eckhard, S.; Lenzner, K.**  
Practical training  
"Demonstrationspraktikum Pulveraufbereitung: Technologie – Granulatcharakterisierung – Instrumentierte Pressverdichtung"  
IKTS Dresden (31.5.2016, 28.6.2016)
- Dr. Härtling, T.**  
Lecture and seminar  
"Nanotechnologie und Nanoelektronik"  
TU Dresden, Fakultät Elektrotechnik und Informationstechnik (SS2016)
- Jun.-Prof. Heuer, H.**  
Lecture  
"Systeme für die zerstörungsfreie Prüfung und Strukturüberwachung"  
TU Dresden, Fakultät Elektrotechnik und Informationstechnik, Institut für Aufbau- und Verbindungstechnik der Elektronik IAVT (WS2016/2017)
- Jun.-Prof. Heuer, H.**  
Lecture  
"Textile Werkstoffe und Prüftechnik/ Textile Faserstoffe und Prüftechnik"  
TU Dresden, Fakultät Maschinenwesen, Institut für Textilmaschinen und Textile Hochleistungswerkstofftechnik (SS2016)
- Jun.-Prof. Heuer, H.**  
Lecture  
"Zerstörungsfreie Prüfung elektronischer Baugruppen"  
TU Dresden, Fakultät Elektrotechnik und Informationstechnik, Zentrum

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für mikrotechnische Produktion (WS2016/2017)

**Dr. Höhn, S.**

Lecture  
"Keramographie", im Rahmen der Lehrveranstaltung "Metallografie" TU Dresden, Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft (1.2.2016)

**Dr. Jahn, M.**

Lecture, tutorial and practical training "Brennstoffzellensysteme und Elektrolyse" im Rahmen des Studienganges "Regenerative Energiesysteme" TU Dresden, Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft (WS2016/2017)

**Dr. Jahn, M.**

Lecture  
"Fischer-Tropsch-Synthese – Stand der Technik und aktuelle Entwicklungen zum Einsatz alternativer Rohstoffe" im Rahmen der Lehrveranstaltung "Mehrphasenreaktionstechnik" TU Dresden (4.7.2016)

**Dr. Kriegel, R.**

Lecture  
"Grundlagen analytischer Untersuchungsmethoden" im Wissenschaftlichen Kolleg des Studienganges "Baustoffingenieurwesen" Bauhaus-Universität Weimar (WS2016/2017)

**Prof. Meyendorf, N.**

Lecture and practical training "Mikro- und Nano-NDE" TU Dresden, Institut für Aufbau- und Verbindungstechnik der Elektronik IAVT (WS2016/2017)

**Prof. Meyendorf, N.**

Lecture  
"NDE and SHM" University of Dayton, UD-Fraunhofer Project Center (SS2016)

**Prof. Meyendorf, N.**

Lecture  
"Nano characterization" University of Dayton, UD-Fraunhofer Project Center (SS2016)

**Prof. Meyendorf, N.**

Complex lecture  
"NDE and SHM" University of Dayton, General Electrics Aerospace, Cincinnati (2016)

**Prof. Michaelis, A.;**

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**Dr. Rebenklau, L.**

Lecture  
"Keramische Funktionswerkstoffe" TU Dresden, Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft (SS2016)

**Prof. Michaelis, A.**

Lecture and practical training "Keramische Werkstoffe" TU Dresden, Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft (SS2016)

**Prof. Michaelis, A.;** **Dr. Kinski, I.;**  
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**Dr. Moritz, T.;** **Dr. Potthoff, A.;**

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Lecture  
"Prozesse – Gefüge – Eigenschaften keramischer Werkstoffe" TU Dresden, Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft (WS2016/2017)

**Dr. Moritz, T.**

Lecture  
"Keramikspritzgießen" TU Bergakademie Freiberg (30.6.2016)

**Dr. Moritz, T.**

Lecture series  
"Grundlagen der Technischen Keramik" Kunsthochschule Halle, Burg Griebichenstein (SS2016)

**Dr. Mühle, U.**

Lecture  
"Industrielle Halbleiterfertigung" TU Bergakademie Freiberg, Fakultät Werkstoffwissenschaft und Werkstofftechnologie (WS2016/2017)

**Dr. Mühle, U.**

Lecture  
"Spezielle Methoden der Mikrostrukturanalytik" TU Bergakademie Freiberg, Fakultät Werkstoffwissenschaft und Werkstofftechnologie (SS2016)

**Dr. Opitz, J.**

Lecture  
"Biomolekulare Nanotechnologie" "Introduction to Nanotechnology" TU Dresden, Max-Bergmann-Zentrum, Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft TU Dresden, BIOTEC (WS2016/2017)

**Dipl.-Ing. Metasch, R.**

Practical training in the course of the lecture  
"Micro-/nanomaterials and reliability aspects"

TU Dresden, Fakultät Elektrotechnik, Institut für Aufbau- und Verbindungstechnik (WS2016/2017)

**Dr. Schneider, M.**

Lecture  
"Rastersondenmikroskopie/AFM" im Rahmen der Lehrveranstaltung Materialdiagnostik TU Dresden, Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft (6.7.2016)

**Prof. Stelter, M.**

Lecture  
"Technische Chemie I / II" Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena (SS2016; WS2016/2017)

**Prof. Stelter, M.**

Lecture  
"Technische Umweltchemie" Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena (SS2016; WS2016/2017)

**Prof. Stelter, M.**

Lecture  
"Energiesysteme – Materialien und Design"

Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena (WS2016/2017)

**Dr. Voigt, I.**

Lecture and practical training "Keramische Verfahrenstechnik" Ernst-Abbe-Hochschule Jena, MA-Studiengang Werkstofftechnik (WS 2016/2017)

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Lecture and practical training "Membranen und Membranverfahrenstechnik" Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, MA-Studiengang Chemie-Energie-Umwelt (WS 2016/2017)

**Dr. Weyd, M., Pflieger, C.**

Lecture  
"Filtration with ceramic membranes" University of Connecticut, Storrs, USA, Seminar (3.2.2016)

**Dr. Zins, M.**

Lecture  
"Metalle, Kunststoffe, Keramiken – Technische Keramik als Leichtbaustoff" TU Dresden, Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft (WS2016/2017)

**Prof. Zschech, E.;** **Prof. Stamm, M.;**

**Dr. Mühle, U.;** **Dr. Rosenkranz, R.;**

**Dr. Kopycinska-Müller, M.**

Lecture and practical training "Physical Characterization of Organic and Organic-Inorganic Thin Films" TU Dresden, Institut für Angewandte Photophysik (WS2016/2017)

**Prof. Zschech, E.;**

**Dr. Kopycinska-Müller, M.**

Lecture  
"Microscopy for Nondestructive methods classes" Master course in English Non-Destructive Testing M. Sc. (NDT) DIU Dresden International University (2016)

**Prof. Zschech, E.;** **Dr. Gall, M.;**

**Dr. Aubel, O.**

Lecture  
Master's Program Nanoelectronic Systems  
Module "Semiconductor Industry Challenges: Market Dynamics – Technology Innovations – Yield and Reliability Engineering" Lecture: "Reliability Engineering and Kinetics of Degradation Processes in Advanced Electronics" TU Dresden, Fakultät Elektrotechnik und Informationstechnik, Institut für Halbleiter- und Mikrosystemtechnik (WS2016/2017)

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#### Bodies

**Dr. Berger, L.-M.**

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- Editorial Board of the Journal "Materials Performance & Characterization", ASTM International

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- IEEE Transactions on Device and Materials Reliability – TDMR, Editor  
- IEEE International Interconnect Technology Conference – IITC, Technical Committee  
- IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium – IRPS, Technical Committee  
- International Conference on Reliability and Stress-Related Phenomena – IRSP, Technical Committee  
- Fraunhofer Nanotechnology Alliance  
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- American Ceramic Society – ACerS  
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Kristallographie – DGK  
- Materials Research Society – MRS

**Dr. Köhler, B.**

- Editor-in-Chief of the Journal "Case Studies in Nondestructive Testing and Evaluation", Elsevier Verlag

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- Fraunhofer Energy Alliance, Representative  
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- VDMA Working Group High Temperature Fuel Cells, Coordinator  
- European Fuel Cell Forum EFCC, Scientific Advisory Committee

**Dr. Martin, H.-P.**

- KMM-VIN, European Virtual Institute on Knowledge-based Multifunctional Materials

**Prof. Meyendorf, N.**

- Editor-in-Chief of the "Journal of Nondestructive Evaluation", Springer Verlag  
- Publication series "Dresdner Beiträge zur zerstörungsfreien Prüftechnik", Wolter, K.-J. (Hrsg.); Meyendorf, N. (Hrsg.); Heuer, H. (Hrsg.); Dresden: TUDpress, Start 2010  
- DGZfP – German Society for Non-Destructive Testing  
- ASNT – The American Society for Nondestructive Testing  
- SPIE – the international society for optics and photonics  
- Joint Lab Berlin, Technical Safety  
- UD-Fraunhofer Joint Research Center, Co-Director

**Prof. Michaelis, A.**

- Editorial Board of the "International Journal of Materials Research", Hanser Verlag

- Editorial Board of the "Journal of Ceramic Science and Technology", Göller Verlag
- Publication Series "Competencies in Ceramics", Michaelis, A. (Hrsg.), Stuttgart: Fraunhofer Verlag, Start 2006
- Publication Series "Kompetenzen in Keramik und Umweltverfahrenstechnik", Michaelis, A. (Hrsg.), Stuttgart: Fraunhofer Verlag, Start 2008
- Publication Series "Applied Electrochemistry in Material Science", Michaelis, A. (Hrsg.); Schneider, M. (Hrsg.), Stuttgart: Fraunhofer Verlag, Start 2009
- AGEF e. V. Institute at Heinrich-Heine-Universität, Arbeitsgemeinschaft Elektrochemischer Forschungsinstitutionen e. V.
- American Ceramic Society – ACerS
- Ceramic and Glass Industry Foundation (CGIF), Member Board of Trustees CGIF
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- DGM German Society for Materials Research
- DKG Deutsche Keramische Gesellschaft / German Ceramic Society, Member of executive board, Chairman of the research advisory board, Director of the scientific works
- DPG Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft
- DRESDEN-concept e. V.
- Dresdner Gesprächskreis der Wirtschaft und der Wissenschaft e. V.
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- Evaluation team "Interne Programme" of the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft, Chairman
- GreenTec Awards, Member of the jury
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- Meyer Burger (Germany) AG, Supervisory board
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- DGO-Bezirksgruppe Sachsen der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Galvano- und Oberflächentechnik, Chairman
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- RIS3 working group "Nachhaltige Energie und Ressourcenverwendung", Free State of Thuringia
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- HERALD EU Cost Action "Hooking together European research in Atomic Layer Deposition", Social media & news coordinator

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- BVMW German Association for Small and Medium-sized Businesses
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- DGM German Society for Materials Research
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- The European Platform on Advanced Materials and Technologies – EUMAT, Brussels, Member of the steering board
- European Materials Characterization Council, Brussels, Member of advisory board
- CENIMAT/13N Lisbon, Member of advisory board
- Institute of Lightweight Construction and Hybrid Systems at University Paderborn, Member of scientific advisory board
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#### Technical committees

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- DGM technical committee "Zelluläre Werkstoffe"
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- DIN/DVS joint committee NA 092-00-14 AA "Thermisches Spritzen und thermisch gespritzte Schichten"

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- DKG technical committee FA 3 "Verfahrenstechnik"
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- ProcessNet technical group "Trocknungstechnik", Member of advisory board

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- DKG technical committee 6 "Material- und Prozessdiagnostik"

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- DGK working group 12 "Spektroskopie"
- DGK working group "AK13 Pulverdiffraktometrie"

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- DIN committee for standardization "Materialprüfung NMP 291"
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- Carbon Composites e. V., working group "Ceramic Composites"

#### Kunath, R.

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#### Dr. Kusnezoff, M.

- DIN/VDE, Department K 141, DKE German Commission, "Elektrotechnik Elektronik Informationstechnik"
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## NAMES, DATES, EVENTS

- und Verbindungstechnik für Hochtemperatursensoren", AVT working group manager
- Dr. Lausch, H.**
- VDE/VDI Society of Microelectronics, Microsystems and Precision Engineering, GMM technical committee 4.7 "Mikro-Nano-Integration"
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  - biosaxony – Verein für Biotechnologie & Life Sciences e. V.
  - InfectoGnostics research campus Jena/Funding initiative "Forschungscampus – öffentlich-private Partnerschaft für Innovationen" of the BMBF
  - German platform NanoBioMedizin
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- DTG German Thermolectric Society
  - DVS committee for technology, working group W3 "Fügen von Metall, Keramik und Glas"
- Dipl.-Ing. Metasch, R.**
- ZVEI working group "Hochtemperaturlektronik"
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- DGZfP technical committee "Materialcharakterisierung"
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  - DIN committee for standardization NMP NA 062-08-17-03 UA "Gesundheits- und Umweltaspekte"
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  - EPMA working group "European Hard Materials Group"
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- DGM technical committee "Werkstoffe der Energietechnik"
  - medways e. V. (The industry association for Medical Technology and Biotechnology)
  - OptoNet e. V., (Photonics network Thuringia)
- Dipl.-Min. Thiele, S.**
- GTS community "Thermisches Spritzen e. V."
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- European Society of Thin Films (EFDS)
  - BVES German Energy Storage Association, working group 2 "Roadmap der Energiewende und Rolle der Energiespeicher"
  - CEEC – Center for Energy and Environmental Chemistry
- Dr. Weyd, M.**
- DGZFP German Society for Membrane Technology
- Dr. Wunderlich, C.**
- VDI-GEU VDI Society Energy and Environment, VDI/VDE technical committee "Brennstoffzellen"
- Prof. Zschech, E.**
- Cool Silicon technical committee "Materialintegration und Zuverlässigkeit", Manager
  - DGM working group "Röntgentomographie", Group manager
- Dr. Zins, M.**
- DKG coordination group "Strukturwerkstoffe Fachausschüsse"
  - DKG division 1 "Chemie-/Maschinen-/Anlagenbau", Chairman
  - DKG joint committee "Pulvermetallurgie"
  - Deutsche Messe AG, Advisory board "Industrial Supply"
  - Messe München, Advisory board "Ceramic"
  - Institut für Prozess- und Anwendungstechnik Keramik, RWTH Aachen, Member of executive board
- Committees for symposia**
- Dipl.-Krist. Adler, J.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Symposium "Cellular and porous ceramics", Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizer
  - 4th International Symposium on New Frontier of Advanced Si-based Ceramics and Composites – ISASC 2016, Busan, Korea (25.–28.9.2016), International advisory committee
  - 4th Cellular Materials – CellMat 2016, Dresden (7.–9.12.2016), Program committee
- Capraro, B.**
- DKG seminar "Foliengieß- und Schlitzdüsen-Verfahren sowie Aspekte der Folienweiterverarbeitung" at Fraunhofer IKTS, Hermsdorf (9.–10.11.2016), Organization
- Dr. Eberstein, M.**
- IMAPS/ACers/DKG 12th International Conference and Exhibition on Ceramic Interconnect and Ceramic Microsystems Technologies – CICMT 2016, Denver (19.–21.4.2016), Local organizing committee
- Freund, S.**
- AdvanCer-Schulungsprogramm "Einführung in die Hochleistungskeramik Teil I: Werkstoffe, Verfahren, Anwendungen", Dresden (16.–17.6.2016), Organization and moderation
- Dr. Gall, M.**
- IEEE International Reliability Physics Symposium – IRPS 2016, Pasadena, CA, USA, (17.–21.4.2016), Technical committee
  - IEEE International Interconnect Technology Conference / Advanced Metallization Conference – IITC/AMC San Jose, CA, USA

- (23.–26.5.2016), Technical committee
- 14th International Conference on Reliability and Stress-Related Phenomena in Nanoelectronics, Experiment and Simulation – IRSP, Bad Schandau, Germany (31.5.–2.6.2016), Technical committee
- Dr. Gestrich, T.**
- 35. Hagerer Symposium Pulvermetallurgie “Zerspanung von und mit pulvermetallurgischen Werkstoffen”, Hagen (24.–25.11.2016)
- Dr. Herrmann, M.**
- 15th Conference & Exhibition of the European Ceramic Society – ECERS2017, Budapest, Hungary (9.–13.7.2017), Organizing committee
  - 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizer
- Dr. Jahn, M.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizing committee
- Dr. Kinski, I.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizer
- Dr. Klemm, H.**
- 9th International Conference on High Temperature Ceramic Matrix Composites – HTCMC 9, Symposium “Advanced thermal and environmental barrier coatings: processing, properties and applications”, Toronto, Canada (26.–30.6.2016), Symposium organizer
  - 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Conference committee, International advisory board and Symposium organizer
- Dr. Köhler, B.**
- 19th World Conference on Non-destructive Testing – WCNDT 2016, Munich (13.–17.6.2016), Scientific program committee “Nano-Technologies and High-Resolution NDT”
- Dr. Kusnezoff, M.**
- 40th International Conference and Exhibition on Advanced Ceramics and Composites – ICACC 2016, Daytona Beach (24.–29.1.2016), Session chair
  - 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizer
- Dr. Martin, H.-P.**
- Industrietag “Charakterisierung mechanischer Eigenschaften bei hohen Temperaturen”, Dresden (1.–2.6.2016), Organizer
  - 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizing committee
- Prof. Meyendorf, N.**
- SPIE Conference “Sensors and Smart Structures Technologies for Civil, Mechanical, and Aerospace Systems”, Las Vegas, Nevada (21.–24.3.2016), Chair
- Prof. Michaelis, A.**
- 40th International Conference and Exhibition on Advanced Ceramics and Composites – ICACC 2016, Daytona Beach (24.–29.1.2016), 40th Jubilee Symposium: Engineered Ceramics – Current Status and Future Prospects
  - 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Conference committee, Chair
  - Symposium Ceramics Vision 2017, IKTs Hermsdorf (17.–18.1.2017)
- Dr. Moritz, T.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Conference committee, Session organizer
- Dr. Neubert, H.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizing committee
- Dr. Opitz, J.**
- GRL-FYK Opening Ceremony & Workshop, Session II, Seoul (26.4.2016), Session Chair
  - 19th World Conference on Non-Destructive Testing – WCNDT, Munich (13.–17.6.2016), Scientific program committee
  - 6th International Congress on Ceramics – ICC6, Session “Materials and process diagnosis for quality assessment/non-destructive testing”, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Session organizer, Session chair
- Dr. Partsch, U.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizer
- Dr. Röllig, M.**
- 18th International Conference on Thermal, Mechanical and Multi-Physics Simulation and Experiments in Microelectronics and Microsystems – EuroSimE, Dresden (2.–5.4.2017), IEEE, Chair
  - 17th International Conference on Thermal, Mechanical and Multi-Physics Simulation and Experiments in Microelectronics and Microsystems – EuroSimE, Montpellier (17.–20.4.2016), IEEE, Technical program committee
- Dr. Schneider, M.**
- 9th International Workshop on Impedance Spectroscopy – IWIS 2016, Chemnitz (26.–28.9.2016), Program committee
  - 12th International Symposium on Electrochemical Machining Technology – INSECT 2016, Mechelen (17.–18.11.2016), Advisory board
  - Symposium “Anodisieren – Oxidschichten von hart bis smart”, Dresden (24.–25.11.2016), Organization committee
- Dr. Schubert, F.**
- 19th World Conference on Non-Destructive Testing – WCNDT 2016, Munich (13.–17.6.2016), Scientific program committee “Structural Health Monitoring”
- Dr.-Ing. Schubert, L.**
- 2nd user seminar of the DGZfP technical committee “Zustandsüberwachung”, expert panel “Geführte Ultraschallwellen”, Petershagen/Eggersdorf (26.–27.10.2016)
- Dr. Sundqvist, Jonas**
- Critical Materials Council Conference – CMC 2016, Hillsboro (5.–6.5.2016), Co-chair
  - 16th International Conference on Atomic Layer Deposition – ALD 2016, Dublin (24.–27.7.2016) Co-chair
  - 3rd International Workshop on Atomic Layer Etching – ALE 2016, Dublin (24.–27.7.2016), Scientific committee
  - ALD Symposium SEMICON Europa, Grenoble (25.–27.10.2016), Co-chair
  - ALD For Industry, EFDS Workshop, Dresden (17.–18.1.2017), Co-chair
  - CMC Conference 2017 – Critical Materials for Semiconductor Device Manufacturing, Dallas (11.–12.5.2017), Co-chair
  - EuroCVD21 / Baltic ALD15 2017, Linköping (11.–14.6.2017), Organization committee
  - 17th International Conference on Atomic Layer Deposition – ALD 2017, Denver (15.–18.7.2017), Scientific committee
- Dr. Voigt, I.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizer
- Dr. Weidl, R.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizer
- Dr. Wolter, M.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Conference committee, International advisory board
- Dr. Wunderlich, C.**
- 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Conference committee, International advisory board
- Dr. Zins, M.**
- 91th DKG Annual Conference & Symposium on High-Performance Ceramics 2016, Freiburg (7.–9.3.2016), Program committee
  - 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizer
  - Ceramitec 2016, Tag der Technischen Keramik, Munich (22.10.2016), Host
- Prof. Zschech, E.**
- 14th International Conference on Reliability and Stress-Related Phenomena in Nanoelectronics, Dresden (30.5.–1.6.2016), Chair
  - 4th Dresden Nanoanalysis Symposium, Dresden (15.6.2016), Chair
  - 6th International Congress on Ceramics – From Lab to Fab – ICC6, Dresden (21.–25.8.2016), Symposium organizing committee
  - 27th European Symposium on Reliability of Electron Devices, Failure Physics and Analysis – ESREF 2016, Halle, Saale (19.–22.9.2016), Scientific committee
  - 62nd IEEE International Electron Devices Meeting IEDM 2016, San Francisco, CA (3.–7.12.2016), Scientific committee

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Precursor-basierte Darstellung von Magnéli-Phasen  $Ti_nO_{2n-1}$  für die Anwendung als Thermoelektrikum  
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### Bachmann, Sebastian

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### Blechschmidt, Paul

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## Conferences and events

### Girls' Day

April 27, 2017, Dresden, Maria-Reiche-Strasse and Hermsdorf

### Researchers' Night

June 16, 2017, Dresden, Winterbergstrasse

### International Symposium on Piezocomposite Applications

September 13–15, 2017, Dresden, Winterbergstrasse

### Dresden Battery Days 2017

September 18–20, 2017, Dresden, Winterbergstrasse

### 12th ICBM – International Conference on Barkhausen Noise and Micromagnetic Testing

September 24–26, 2017, Dresden, Maria-Reiche-Strasse

### Industry workshop for the EU project "cerAMufacturing"

October 24, 2017, Dresden, Winterbergstrasse

### International Symposium on Electrochemical Machining Technology INSECT

November 30 – Dezember 1, 2017, Dresden, Winterbergstrasse

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## Seminars and workshops

### AdvanCer training program:

#### Introduction into advanced ceramics

### Part I / 2017: Materials, technologies, applications

June 22–23, 2017, Dresden

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## Trade fair participations

### Hannover Messe

Hanover, April 24–28, 2017

Joint booth Fraunhofer Adaptronics Alliance, Hall 2

Individual booth, Hall 6

Joint booth Energy Saxony, Hall 27

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# HOW TO REACH US AT FRAUNHOFER IKTS



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## How to reach us in Dresden-Gruna

### By car

- Highway A4: at the three-way highway intersection "Dresden West" exit onto Highway A17 in direction "Prag" (Prague)
- Exit at "Dresden Prohlis/Nickern" (Exit 4)
- Continue 2 km along the secondary road in direction "Zentrum" (City center)
- At the end of the secondary road (Kaufmarkt store will be on the right side), go through traffic light and continue straight ahead along Langer Weg in direction "Prohlis" (IHK)
- After 1 km, turn left onto Mügeln Strasse
- Turn right at the next traffic light onto Moränenende
- Continue under the train tracks and turn left at next traffic light onto Breitscheidstrasse
- Continue 3 km along the An der Rennbahn to Winterbergstrasse
- Fraunhofer IKTS is on the left side of the road
- Please sign in at the entrance gate

### By public transport

- From Dresden main station take tram 9 (direction "Prohlis") to stop "Wasaplatz"
- Change to bus line 61 (direction "Weißig/Fernsehturm") or 85 (direction Striesen) and exit at "Grunaer Weg"

### By plane

- From Airport Dresden-Klotzsche take a taxi to Winterbergstrasse 28 (distance is approximately 7 miles or 10 km)
- Or use suburban train S2 (underground train station) to stop "Haltepunkt Strehlen"
- Change to bus line 61 (direction "Weißig/Fernsehturm") or 85 (direction Striesen) and exit at "Grunaer Weg"



## How to reach us in Dresden-Klotzsche

### By car

- Highway A4: exit "Dresden-Flughafen" in direction Hoyerswerda along H.-Reichelt-Strasse to Grenzstrasse
- Maria-Reiche-Strasse is the first road to the right after Dörnichtweg
- From Dresden city: B97 in direction Hoyerswerda
- Grenzstrasse branches off to the left 400 m after the tram rails change from the middle of the street to the right side
- Maria-Reiche-Strasse branches off to the left after approximately 500 m

### By public transport

- Take tram 7 from Dresden city to stop "Arkonasstraße"
- Turn left and cross the residential area diagonally to Grenzstrasse
- Follow this road for about 10 min to the left and you will reach Maria-Reiche-Strasse
- Take suburban train S2 to "Dresden-Grenzstraße"
- Reverse for ca. 400 m
- Maria-Reiche-Strasse branches off to the right

### By plane

- After arriving at airport Dresden use either bus 80 to bus stop "Grenzstraße Mitte" at the beginning of Dörnichtweg and follow Grenzstrasse for 150 m
- Or take suburban train S2 to "Dresden-Grenzstraße" and walk about 400 m further along Grenzstrasse

## How to reach us in Hermsdorf

### By car

- Highway A9: exit "Bad Klosterlausnitz/Hermsdorf" (Exit 23) and follow the road to Hermsdorf, go straight ahead up to the roundabout
- Turn right to Robert-Friese-Strasse
- The 4<sup>th</sup> turning to the right after the roundabout is Michael-Faraday-Strasse
- Fraunhofer IKTS is on the left side
- Highway A4: exit Hermsdorf-Ost (Exit 56a) and follow the road to Hermsdorf
- At Regensburger Strasse turn left and go straight ahead up to the roundabout
- Turn off to right at the roundabout and follow Am Globus
- After about 1km turn off left to Michael-Faraday-Strasse
- Fraunhofer IKTS is on the left side

### By train

- From Hermsdorf-Klosterlausnitz main station turn right and walk in the direction of the railway bridge
- Walk straight into Keramikerstrasse (do not cross the bridge)
- Pass the porcelain factory and the Hermsdorf town house
- Turn right, pass the roundabout and walk straight into Robert-Friese-Strasse
- After 600 m turn right into Michael-Faraday-Strasse
- Find Fraunhofer IKTS after 20 m

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