



# Conductive copper Pastes Portfolio overview

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# Transforming the foundation of conductive patterns

Copprint provides conductive copper inks,  
enabling additive fabrication of conductive patterns.

Substituting incumbent technologies:

- Silver inks: 5-10x more expensive
- PCBs etching: hazardous, polluting, and more expensive



Backed by Top Strategics  
with Significant World Market Share



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Electronics is a growing multi-trillion \$ market



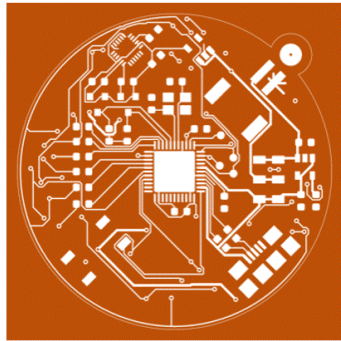
Consumer Electronics, Industrial Equipment, Communications, Automotive, Solar Power and more....

ALL electronics are powered by conductive patterns

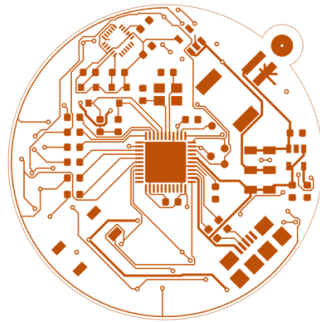


>\$70B Market Inside

# Making conductive patterns: 1. Chemical etching >\$70B Mkt



Material Waste



Conductive Pattern

Chemical “cutting” of metal sheets  
(subtractive manufacturing)

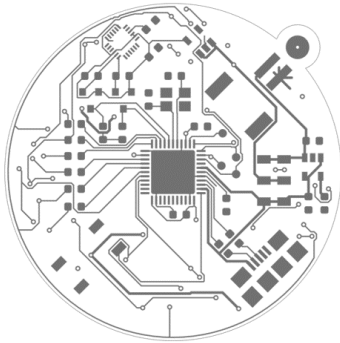


- X Material Waste
- X Limited Substrates
- X High Water Consumption
- X Toxic/Polluting Chemicals
- X Offshoring (90% APAC)
- X Increasing Regulatory Costs

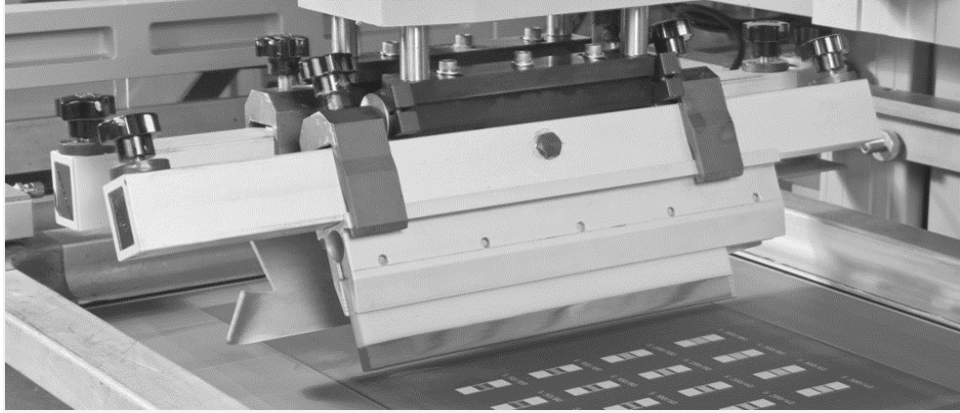
# Making Conductive patterns:

## 2. Silver ink printing

### > \$3B Mkt



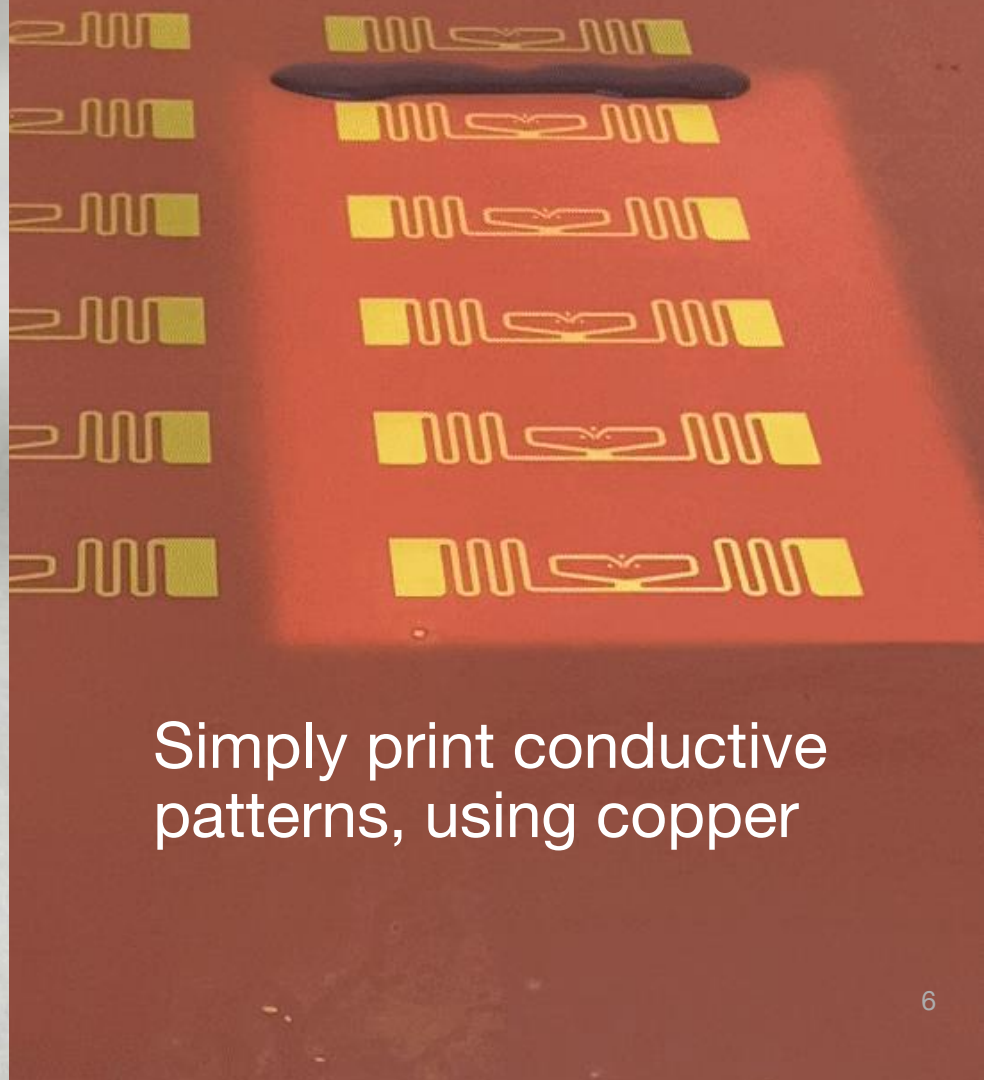
Screen printing of conductive silver inks (Additive Fabrication)



- ✗ Prohibitively Expensive
- ✗ Limited Adoption/Use
- ✗ Toxic



Introducing Copprint  
Conductive Nano Copper  
inks

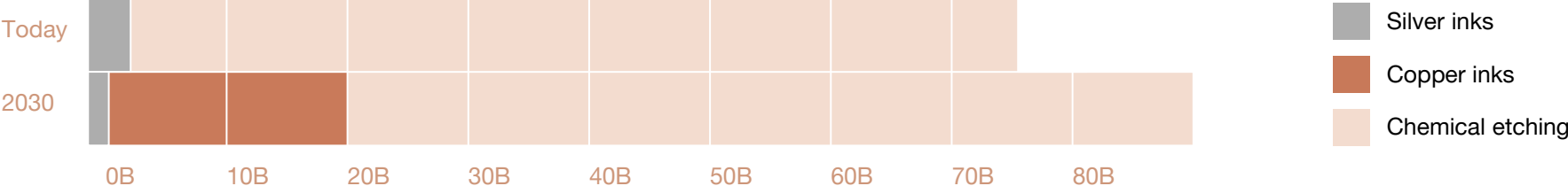


Simply print conductive  
patterns, using copper  
inks

# The future of printed electronics is...copper

**Low cost, sustainable, 'reshoring'** printed circuit fabrication alternative!

Unleashing a \$70B market for additive fabrication of PCBs, antennas and photovoltaic cells...



# Silver vs. Copper

Conductive silver inks are used since 100 years ago for many applications:

E.g. Photovoltaics, Membrane switches, sensors, heaters and more



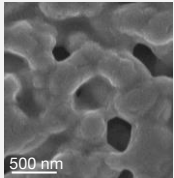
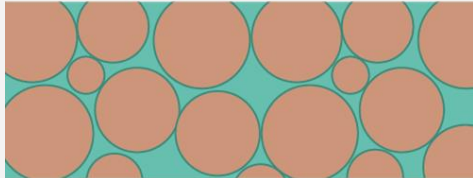
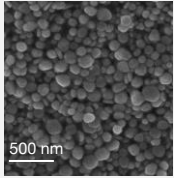
Silver is expensive and recently **surged** ~50% relative to its 5-years average.

## Copper is a great alternative

Raw material comparison:	Silver	Copper	Copper vs Silver
Price per Kg	\$850	\$8	100X cheaper
Conductivity	$1.59 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$	$1.68 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$	5% less conductive
Carbon footprint	155 kgCO2/kg	3.97 kgCO2/kg	40X better
Max level in drinking water (EPA)	0.1mg/litter	1mg/litter	10X less toxic
Abundance in Earth's crust	0.08 ppm	68 ppm	~1000X more abundant



## Copper Oxidation, Impeding Conductivity



Copprint Chemical Rapid Sintering

Motivation: raw copper is 100x cheaper than silver  
Problem: **Copper oxidation** prevented conductivity

## The Innovation

Copprint overcome the **copper oxidation** using a **patented chemical sintering agent**:

- Rapid low temperature Sintering which Prevents Oxidation
- Highly Conductive results
- Low Cost, Efficient (No Material Waste)
- Substrate Freedom
- Standard “Air” Printing Process & Equipment

# Copper inks that outperform Silver

Anything you can print with conductive silver inks,

**Copprint can do better. Faster.**

**At a fraction of the cost.**

Copprint **screen-printing** pastes for a range of substrates:

LF-300 – paper substrate

LF-350 – PET substrate

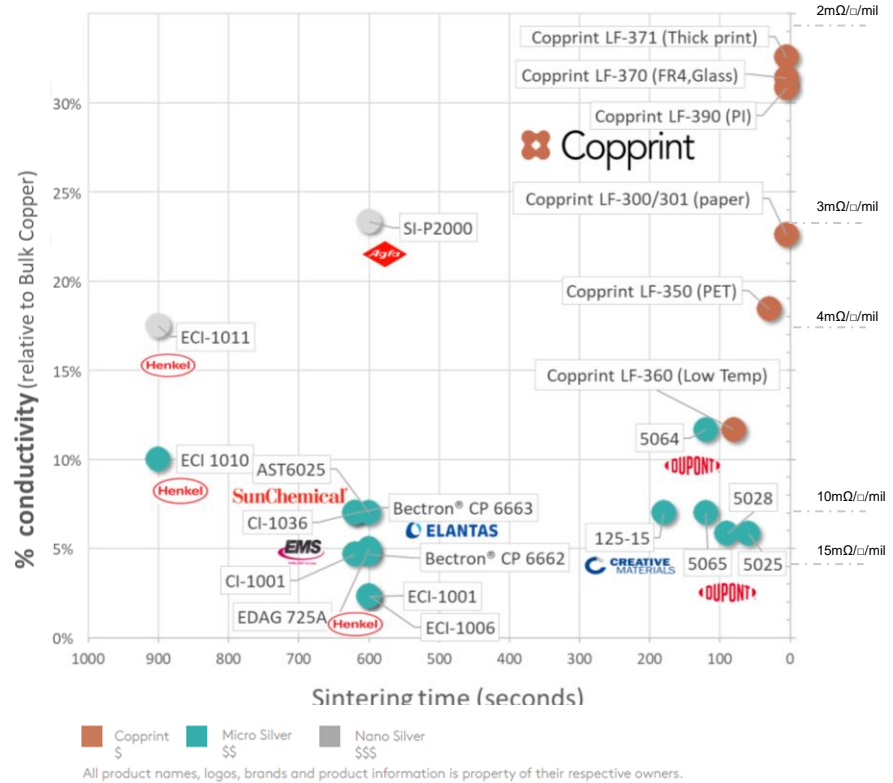
LF-360 – Low temp for PET/PC

LF-370 – FR4 substrate

LF-371 – Thick printing (FR4, PV, Glass, PI)

LF-390 – PI substrate

Additional substrates: Glass, Alumina, Aluminum, PC, PEN, CFRP, Tesline

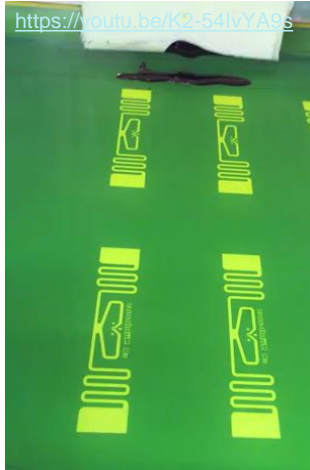


## Copprint's pastes for various substrates

Paste	Substrate	Viscosity (cPs)	Sintering Temp °C	Processing	Sheet resistance mΩ/□/25μm	Solid content
LF300	Paper	7,000	280-300	R2R	<3	83%
LF301	Paper	2,000	240-260	R2R	<3-6	81%
LF350	PET	6,000	200	S2S	<4	81%
LF360	Low-temp PET, PC	15,000	160 140	S2S + R2R	<6 <9	88%
LF370	FR4/Alumina/Glass/Aluminum..	9,000	240-300	S2S + R2R	<2.3	88%
LF371	FR4/Alumina/Glass/Aluminum..	30,000	240-300	S2S + R2R	<2.3	90%
LF380	HJT PV	500,000	240-300	S2S	<2.3	90%
LF390	PI	15,000	240-300	S2S + R2R	<2.3	88%

# Really Simple Fabrication (Prototyping, Short Runs)

1) Print



Screen printing in  
few seconds



2) Dry



Drying  
oven/conveyor/UV

Oven/Conveyor: 30-120 sec at 70-150°C  
NIR/UV lamps – 1-5 seconds

3) Sinter



Standard hot-press/contactless Laminator  
140-300°C

Laminator – 3-12 sec dwell time

Hot-press – 30-240 sec

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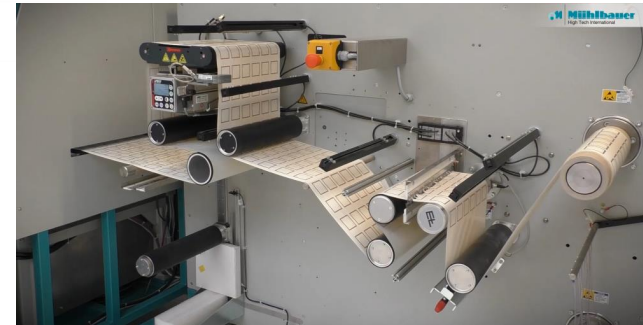
# Muhlbauer APS tailored to Copprint ink Industrial Scale Antenna Printing Solution

1) Print 2) Dry

3) Sinter



<https://youtu.be/IRwgXEcGVIA>



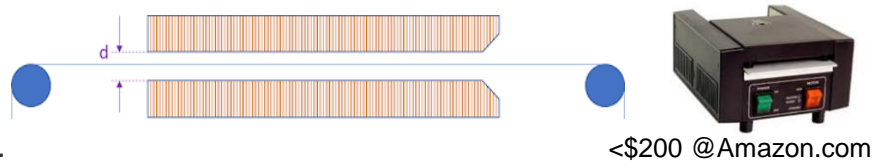
## Snap heating is required for sintering

### Contactless laminator:

Simple and robust system for S2S and R2R implementation.

Temperature 170°-320°C

Typical dwell time – 3-12 seconds.



### Simple hot-press (Manual or pneumatic):

Simple and robust system for S2S - Temperature 140°-300°C

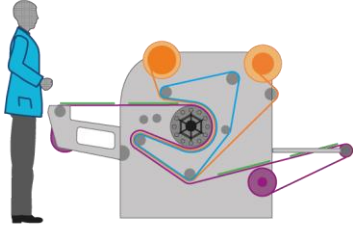
No significant pressure is required – just efficient heat transfer.

Sintering of >30 sheets in parallel in a single press was tested

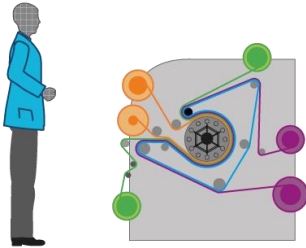


# Hot roller sintering

Sheet to Sheet



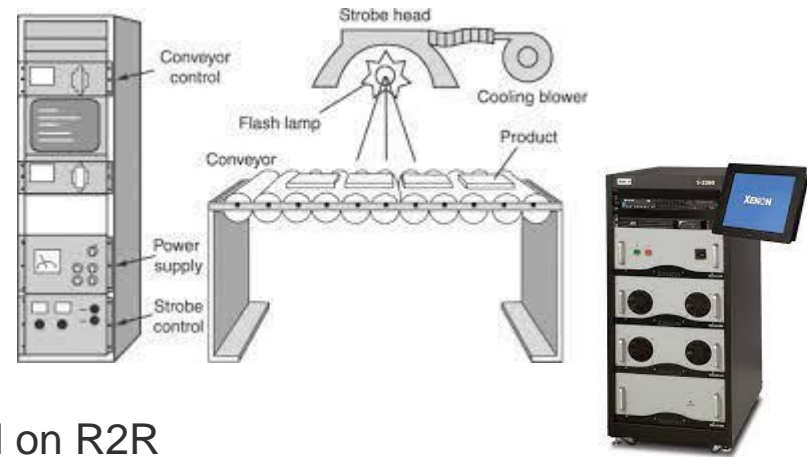
Roll to Roll



Sheet to Sheet sintering on PET @2meter/min

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## R2R sintering (cont)



Photonic sintering – Reported to be working well on R2R

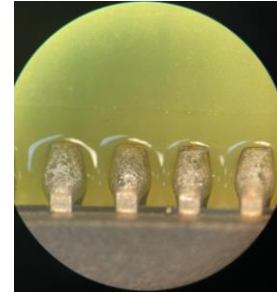
NIR sintering – In beta for R2R sintering





## Durable printed patterns on multiple substrates

- ✓ Paper, PET, PI, Teslin, Aluminum, Alumina, FR4, Glass, PV cells
- ✓ Accelerated durability tests (90°/60%, 85°/85% tests)
- ✓ Excellent adhesion
- ✓ Crosshatch test – 4-5b
- ✓ Bending tests (25x rolls over 5mm radius rod, <10% change).
- ✓ Solderability



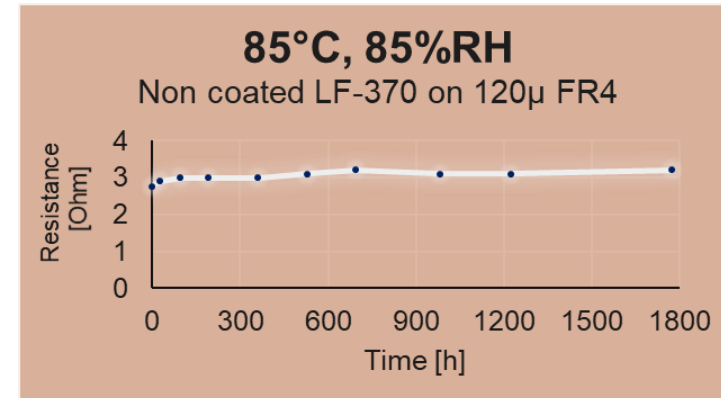
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LF-350 on PET

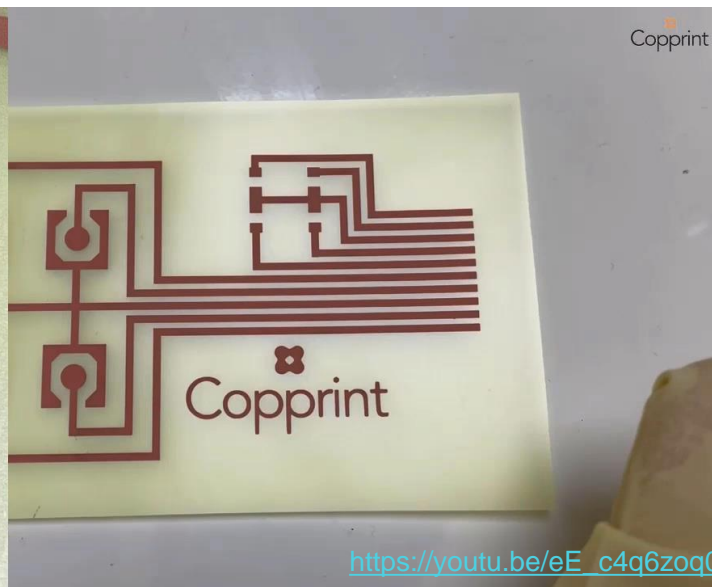
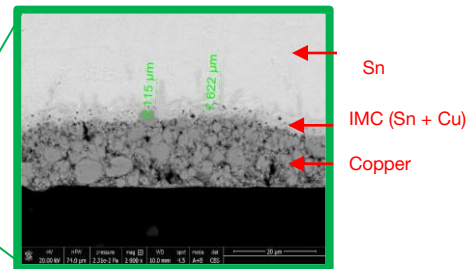
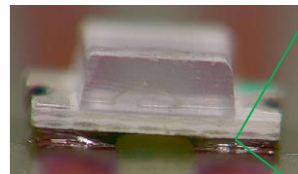
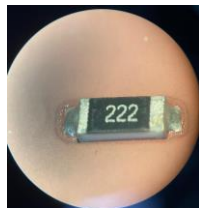


LF-370 on anodized aluminum

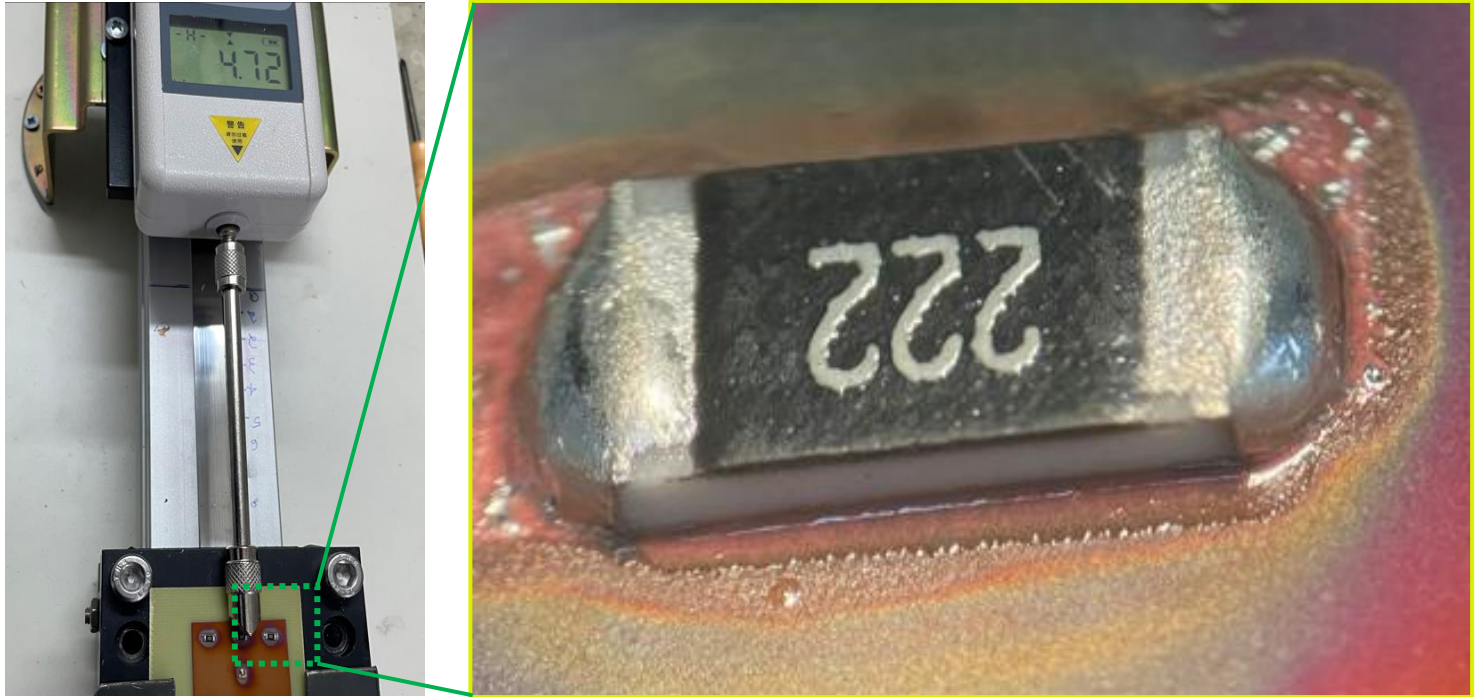


## Soldering in a reflow oven (printed copper traces on FR4 & PET):

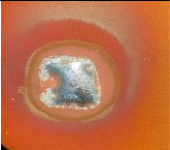



- Excellent adhesion and high-quality IMC (Intermetallic compound)
- On PET - Finally, an alternative to ECAs (electrically conductive adhesive). These ECAs are silver based and much expensive relative to soldering.



## Testing soldering using die-shear



# Soldering on FR4: Wetting vs. Shear force

Composition	Brand	Name	Minimal force [Kgf]	Wetting	
SAC305	Loctite	318	>3.1	OK (best)	
SAC305	AIM	M8, 88.5-T4	>4	Some dewetting	
63-37	AIM	M8 89.5-T4	>3.2	Poor (balling)	
SAC305	Shenmao	PF606-P(20-38um)	>3.7	Some dewetting	

Wetting test does not predict the shear force performance

LF-300/LF-301

Conductive copper paste  
for screen-printing on  
Paper substrate



## LF 300/LF 301 – Copper paste for screen printing on a Paper substrate

- Key usage: RFID antennas – **compostable RFIDs**
- High conductivity
- Low cost and compostable UHF/HF/NFC RFID antennas
- Typical printing thickness for RFID antennas 3-8 micron thickness.
- Multiple durable paper approved (Verso, Mitsubishi and more).
- Accelerated durability tests (90°/60%, 85°/85% tests)
- Bending tests (25x rolls over 5mm radius rod, <10% change).
- Die-shear tests



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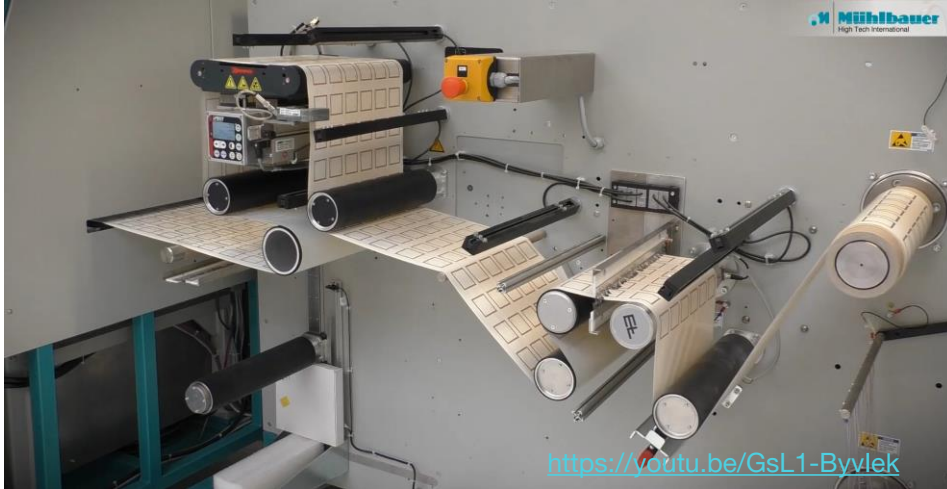
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## Partnership: Muhlbauer

- >90% of RFID manufactured using MB machines
- Custom built printer for Copprint inks - APS – available



**Mühlbauer**  
High Tech International



# Printed RFID antennas – on every merchandise

## Printed antennas are cheaper and eco-friendly

RFID	Etched Aluminum on Plastics (PET) (>90% of the market)	Copprint Printed Nano Copper on Paper
Manufacturing	<u>Highly polluting</u> (China and Malaysia)	Simple printing
Turnaround	6 weeks	1 week
Tag disposal	<u>NON recyclable:</u> Plastics, Aluminum High volume, small pieces	Compostable, Green RFID Paper, Minimal copper traces
UHF antenna cost	0.2-0.6c	Up to 30% cheaper (depending on geometry/volume)
NFC antenna cost	1c	<0.4c

20B units 2019 to 1T units by 2025



**Cheaper than Etching!**



## LF 300/LF301 - Additional resources

- Video – How to Copprint LF-300 : [https://youtu.be/8pDF\\_dUSxL0](https://youtu.be/8pDF_dUSxL0)
- TDS LF300 - <http://copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/TDS-LF-300.pdf>
- TDS LF301 - <https://www.copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/TDS-LF-301-Beta-22-08-21.pdf>
- MSDS - <http://copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/MSDS-rev10-LF-products.pdf>
- Application notes - <http://copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Application-notes-Copprint-LF-300.pdf>
  
- Video – Who cares about the Tag? Compostable RFID antennas <https://youtu.be/5S8alz4b0>
- Video - Compostable NFC antennas <https://youtu.be/obncn1XtWLU>

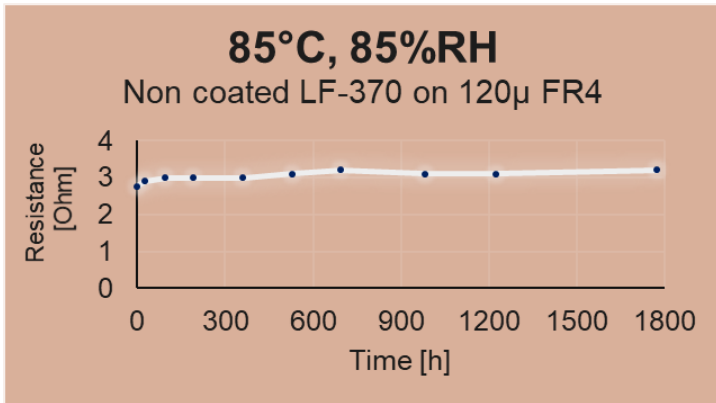
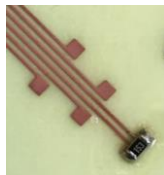
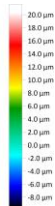
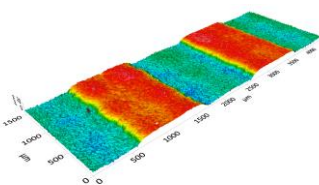
# LF-370/LF-371

Conductive copper paste for  
screen-printing on FR4,  
Glass, Alumina, Aluminum...



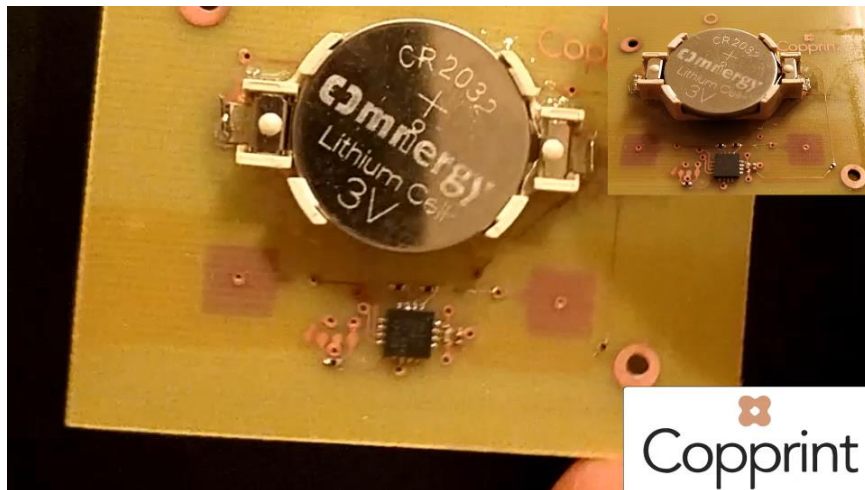
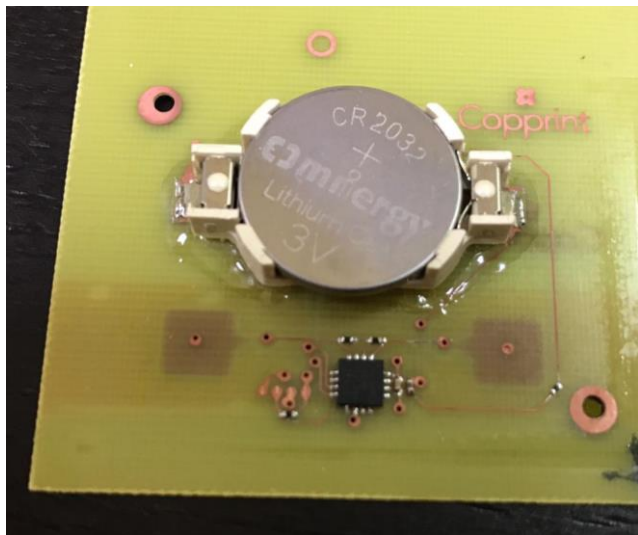
## LF-370 / LF-371 - High-end Printed electronics inks

- ✓  $\sim 2.2\text{m}\Omega/\square/\text{mil}$
- ✓  $\sim 5.3\ \mu\Omega\text{cm}$
- ✓ 85-90% solids
- ✓ Excellent 85/85 performance
- ✓ Excellent adhesion
- ✓ Crosshatch test – 5b
- ✓ Solderability
- ✓ Simple S2S and R2R implementations via contactless sintering
- ✓ FR4, Glass, Alumina, Aluminum
- ✓ LF-370 Viscosity – 7,000cPs.
- ✓ LF-371 Viscosity – 30,000cPs (Thick printing)
- ✓ Applications:
  - ✓ One-sided / Two-sided PCBs
  - ✓ LED mounts on FR4, Aluminum
  - ✓ Glass printing for displays
  - ✓ PV metalization



## LF-370 / LF-371 – Simpler production of 1-sided and 2-sided PCBs

- ✓ Sintering via contactless sintering
- ✓ Sintering of both sides (and the via paste) together

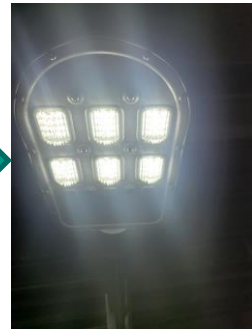
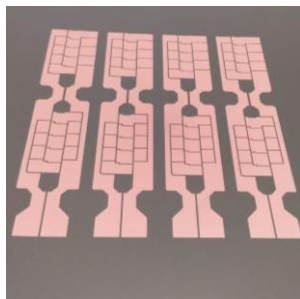


# Glass printing for LED display boards

- Printing on Glass for transparent glass LED display



# Printed copper traces on LED aluminum baseboard



Pre-cut anodized aluminum

Copper printing

SR Printing

LED SMT

Assembly

Testing

**ips** [ipss.co.kr](http://ipss.co.kr)

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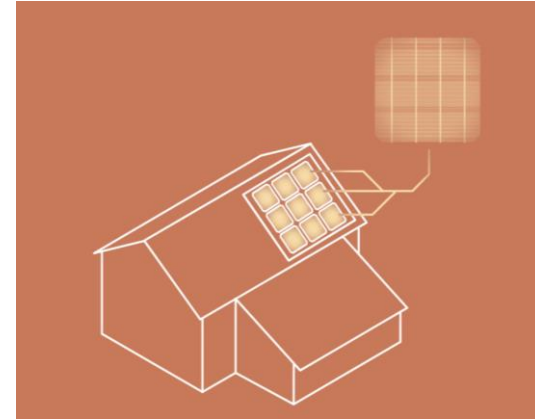
# Printed copper traces on PV wafers

Silver inks used in PVs are made comprise 20-30% of the PV module cost

Copprint already demonstrated high-efficiency working HJT and IBC PV cells with >10% \$/watt cost saving per module!

Passing DH2000 (85°/85%, 2000 hours) , TC400 (-40°:+85° x 400 cycles)

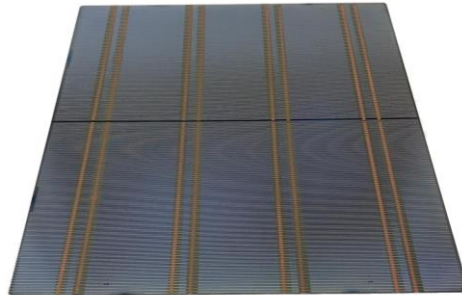
Dramatically reducing cost / Accelerating green energy sources.



IBC cells in collaboration with:



International Solar Energy  
Research Center Konstanz



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## LF 370/371 - Additional resources

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- MSDS - <http://copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/MSDS-rev10-LF-products.pdf>
- Application notes - <http://copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Application-notes-Copprint-LF370-371.pdf>
- Laminator modification guide - <https://www.copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/TLC-laminator-modifications-Nov21.pdf>



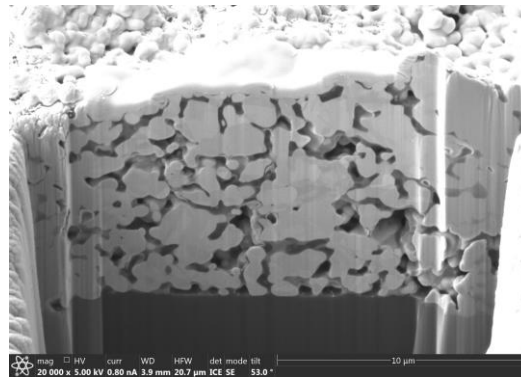
LF-390

Conductive copper paste for  
screen-printing on PI



## LF-390 – Conductive copper ink for PI (Polyimide)

- ✓  $\sim 2.2\text{m}\Omega/\square/\text{mil}$
- ✓  $\sim 5.3\ \mu\Omega\text{cm}$
- ✓ LF-390 Viscosity – 15000cPs
- ✓ 85-90% solids
- ✓ Excellent 85°/85% performance
- ✓ Excellent adhesion and flexibility
- ✓ Simple S2S and R2R implementations via contactless sintering



Cross-section after sintering

### Applications:

- ✓ Sensors
- ✓ Flexible PCBs
- ✓ Connectors

## LF 390 - Additional resources

- Video – How to Copprint LF-390 – same video as LF-370 : <https://youtu.be/CdjpUZjjPg0>
- TDS - <http://copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/TDS-LF-390.pdf>
- MSDS - <http://copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/MSDS-rev10-LF-products.pdf>
- Application notes - <http://copprint.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Application-notes-Copprint-LF390.pdf>

LF-350

Conductive copper paste for  
screen-printing on PET

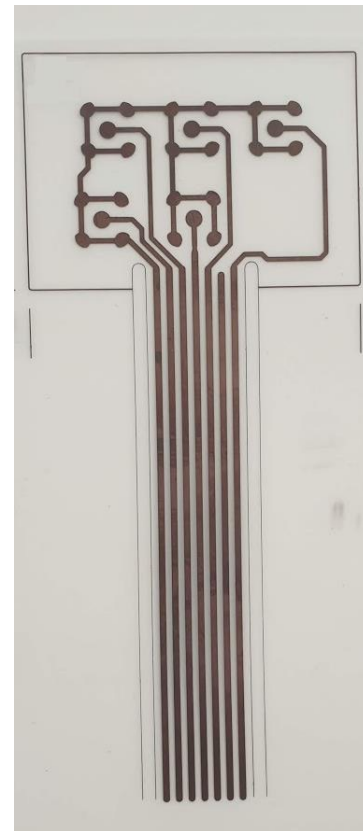


## LF-350 – Conductive copper ink for PET

- ✓  $\sim 4\text{m}\Omega/\square/\text{mil}$
- ✓ LF-350 Viscosity – 5000cPs
- ✓ Excellent adhesion and flexibility
- ✓ Solderability
- ✓ Simple, high throughput S2S process
- ✓ R2R via photonic sintering (tested), hot-roller and NIR (beta)

### Applications:

- ✓ Heaters
- ✓ Membrane-switches
- ✓ Sensors
- ✓ Antennas



# Automotive Silver heaters vs Copper heaters

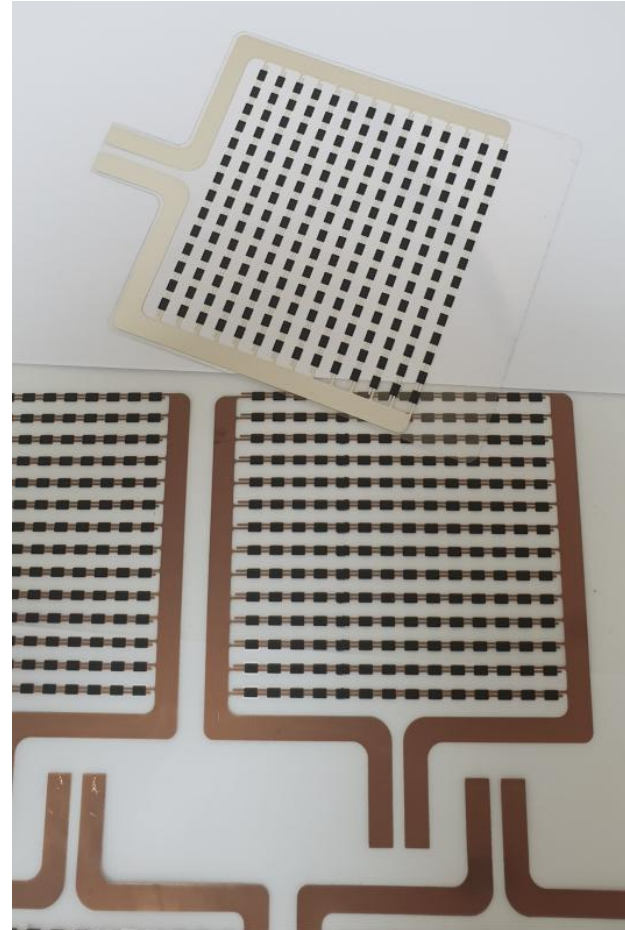
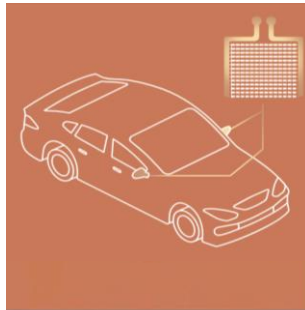
- Seat heater
- Interior panel heater
- Battery Heater
- Technical heater

Same design

Same electrical properties

Same performance

5-10x cheaper



## LF 350 - Additional resources

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LF-360

Conductive copper paste for  
low temp sintering on  
PET/PC



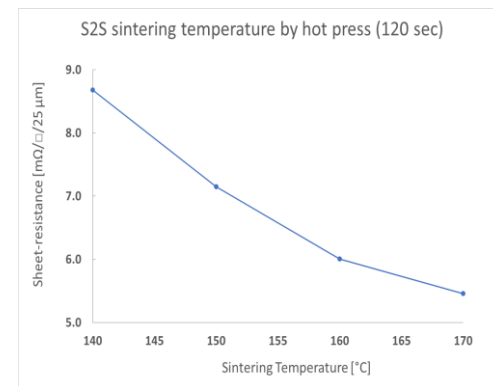
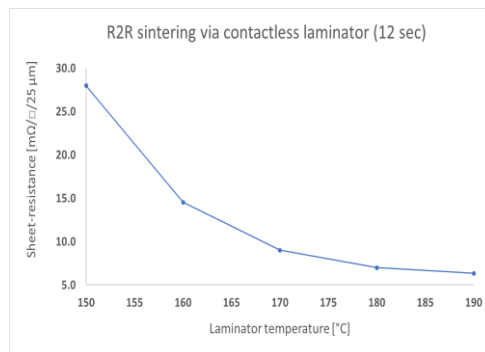


## LF-360 – low-temp sintering

- ✓ ~6mΩ/□/mil
- ✓ PET and PC
- ✓ LF-360 Viscosity – 15,000cPs
- ✓ Excellent adhesion and flexibility
- ✓ Solderability
- ✓ Simple, high throughput S2S process 60-120 seconds using a heat-press 140°C-160°C
  
- ✓ R2R:
  - Contact-less laminator (between two hot plates) – 12 seconds @170°C -> ~9mΩ/□/mil
  - photonic sintering
  - NIR

### Applications:

- ✓ Heaters
- ✓ R&R underfloor heaters
- ✓ Membrane-switches
- ✓ Sensors
- ✓ Antennas



## LF 360 - Additional resources

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