MICRO- AND NANO-OPTICS: FROM LAB TO FAB



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We are a public-private, non-profit Swiss technology innovation center

We enable competitiveness by developing and transferring world-class technologies to the industrial sector

We fuel the innovation of more than 200 industrial partners every year.







107.6 M TURNOVER in 2023



FAMILIES

INDUSTRIAL CLIENTS SINCE 2018

IMPACT THROUGH INDUSTRY PROJECTS, WITH START-UPS, SMEs AND BIG COMPANIES



T-Touch Connect Sport: connected, secured, autonomous, and long-lasting Al platform for diagnostic trains to determine and plan track maintenance Miniaturized atomic clocks for precise time measurement with unparalleled low power consumption Automated machine to bioengineer personalized skin

WE ARE INDUSTRY-ORIENTED



Staff with industry experience

Long-term support

(80% of staff on permanent contracts)

Processes with builtin confidentiality



Industrial equipment

(clean rooms, characterization labs)

Proven project management methodology (300 projects/year)

> QMS & certifications (ISO 9001 and 14001, ISO 13485: Medical devices)

CSEM EXPERTISE IN OPTICS AND PHOTONICS



Components:

- MOEMS
- Micro- and Nano-Optics
- Photonics Integrated Circuits (PICs)
- Imaging sensors

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- PICs design, testing, consulting
- Optical design: Zemax, Comsol, etc.
- Multi-spectral imaging
- ML & AI











Systems:

- Lasers
- Cameras
- LIDARs
- Sensing systems & readout modules



MICRO- AND NANO-OPTICS

TECHNOLOGY BLOCKS AND VALUE PROPOSITION











Fresnel lens Free form µOptics

On Chip Microlenses LIDARs



FROM LAB TO FAB

From concept development projects to small and medium series production

CSEM Micro-Systems Cleanroom:

- 800 m² ISO5 to ISO6 areas (+300 m² in 2027)
- Wafers up to 8"
- Permanent staff of experienced engineers
- ISO9001 and 14001 certified
- Extension to full 200 mm capability planned in 2027



Preferential access to extended foundry network

https://www.csem.ch/en/tailored-services/mla-foundry-services/



MICRO & NANO-OPTICS PROCESS FLOWS



70 µm

Continuous **metrology** and quick re-iterations at every steps to ensure customer satisfaction



OPTICAL SIMULATION TOOLS



- Ray Tracing:
 - Tools: Zemax, LightTools with SolidWorks, in-house software
 - Applications: illumination, imaging



- Wave Optics:
 - Tools: FDTD, FEM
 - **Applications:** waveguides, resonant structures
- NanoOptics:
 - Tools: Rigorous Coupled-Wave
 Analysis
 - **Applications:** photonic crystals, diffraction gratings, plasmonics



APPLICATIONS

MICRO-LENSES ARRAY IN AUTOMOTIVE LIGHTING

- Partner: Focuslight (ex-Suss MicroOptics)
- Microlenses from 2 to 500 microns
- Arbitrary microlens shape design: square, rectangle, round, cylindrical, etc.
- From wafer scale to large area format
- Car lighting, scientific instrumentation, sensors, functional and decorative surfaces



DIFFRACTIVE WAVEGUIDE IN CHIP-SCALE ATOMIC CLOCK

 MEMS-based ion-trapping atomic clock with unprecedented precision





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- MEMS-based ion-trapping atomic clock with unprecedented precision
- Diffractive waveguide:
 - Wafer-scale manufacturing
 - Compact light transport
 - Beam expansion
 - Efficient coupling





INTEGRATED MICRO LENS ARRAY ON SPAD SENSOR IMAGER

- Direct creation of micro-lenses on a SPAD
- Increase of detector efficiency
- From design to fabrication







SURFACE NANO-STRUCTURING FOR OPTICAL PURPOSES

- Surface nano-structuring is a costeffective technology to transfer optical patterns on almost any material
- Materials:
 - Metals
 - Glasses
 - Thin foils
 - Silicon
 - Ceramics
 - Polymers







LITHIUM NIOBATE PHOTONIC INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

- PIC design and testing
- Foundry
- Unique TFLN MPW platform in Europe





COMING NEXT...

MORE EXCITING TALKS FROM CSEM!

- Expanded beam connector for datacom
 Guillaume Basset, PhD
 Tuesday 14:10 @expo stage
- New capabilities for the cost-effective fabrication of fiber-to-PIC interconnects
 Egvenii Glushkov, PhD
 Tuesday 12:10 @expo stage





12:10

Evgenii Glushkov

Expo Stage
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TAKE ONECHALLENGES WITH THE RIGHT TEAM