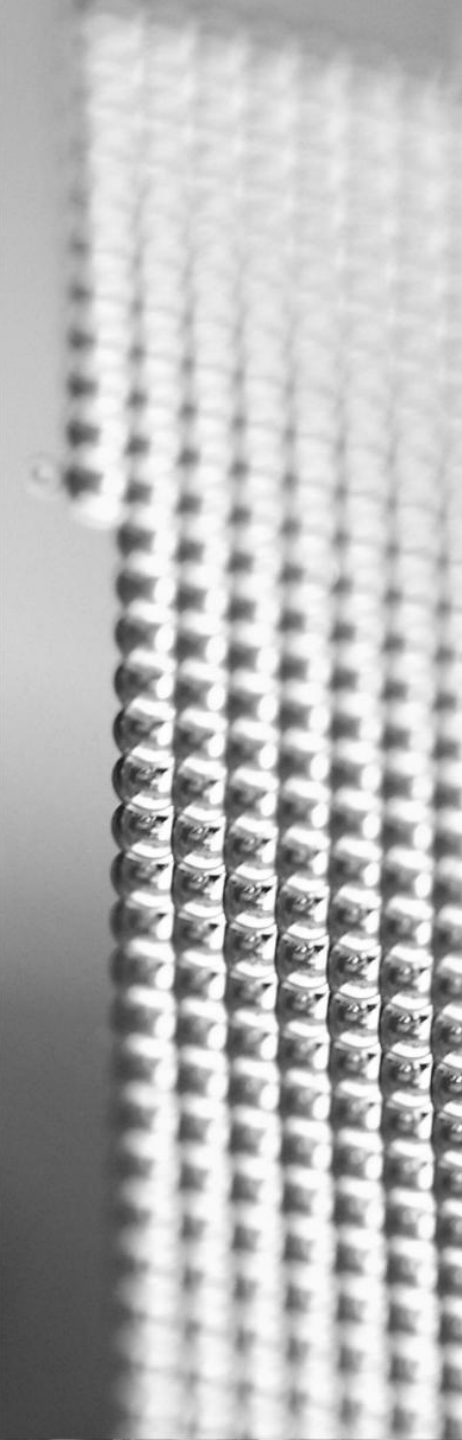


Advancing Consumer Optics with Ultra-Precision Machining and Replication

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Company



Incorporated in 2013.
100% Family owned.



Continuous technology
developments in diamond
machining and polymer replication



Optics manufacturing by
diamond machining and/or
replication processes



> 100 customers worldwide



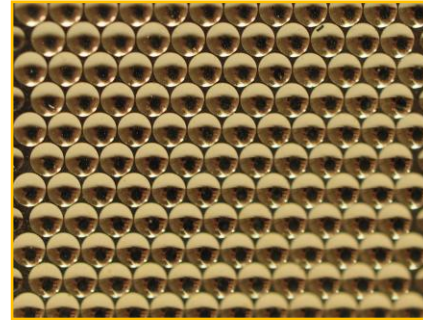
Located in Liège (Belgium)



Our services

Technological solutions for manufacturing of your high precision optical and mechanical parts

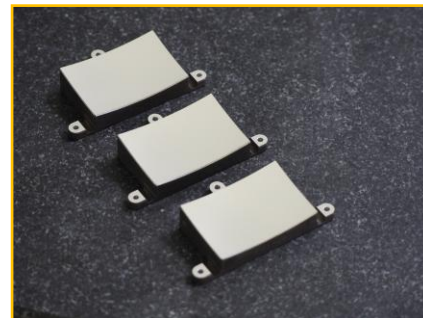
DPI® Lens array
masters / inserts



Plastic optics



SPDT Services

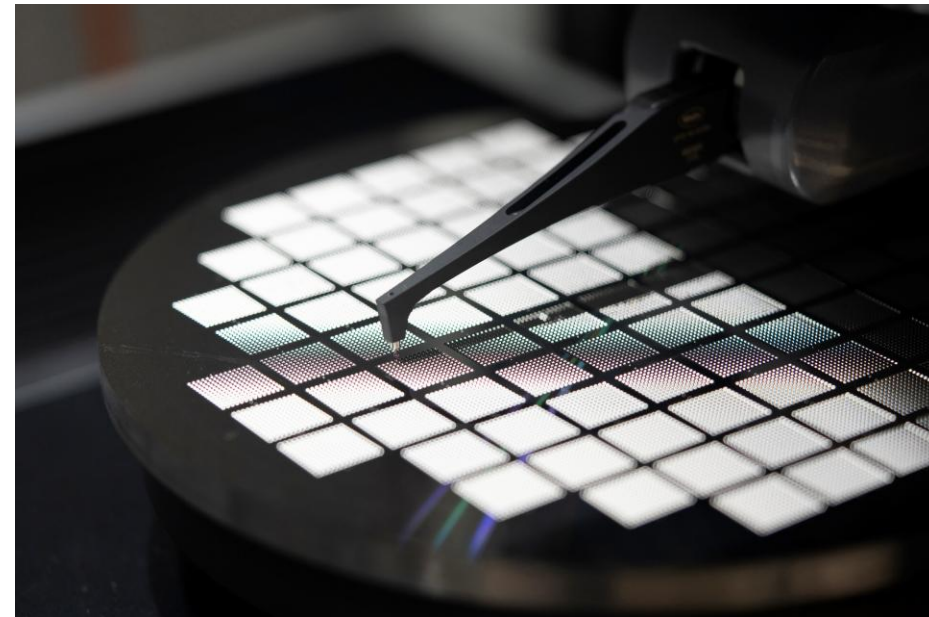
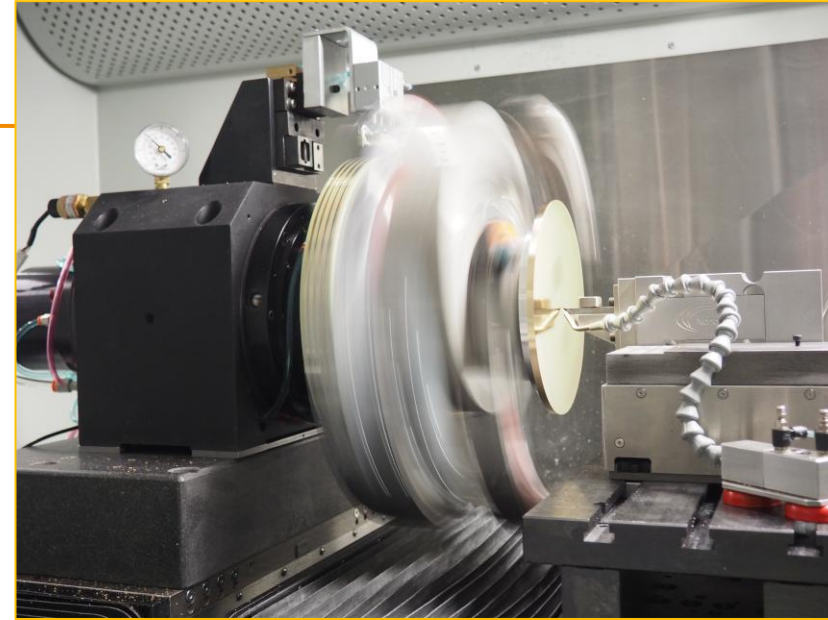


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DPI® on-axis SPDT machining

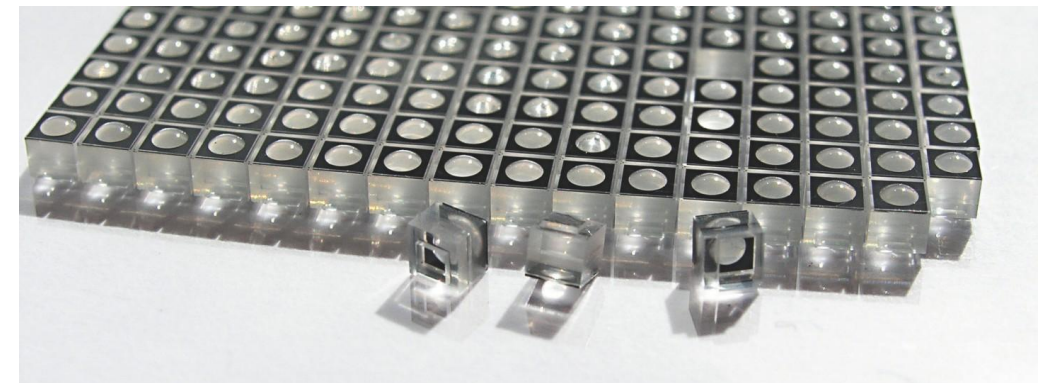
Dynamic Part Indexing (DPI®) is:

- A patented device 100% developed and owned by Wielandts UPMT
- Sequentially 2/3-axis turning of each lens of an array on the workspindle axis for best form and roughness
- Dynamically offset the part wrt the work-spindle in a balanced manner using eccentric rotary movements
- All lenses machined on same on-axis position
→ repeatable form and roughness
- Design freedom: all lenses can be different (freeform) to compensate for replication repeatable errors



DPI® masters markets and applications

- MLA sensors for mobile applications, LiDAR, ...
- Automotive MLA headlights/carpets
- Masters for roll-to-roll replication for lighting applications
- Single lenses fully populated masters for camera applications
- WLO master for healthcare applications
- WLO master for LBS optics
- ...



Plastic optics manufacturing processes

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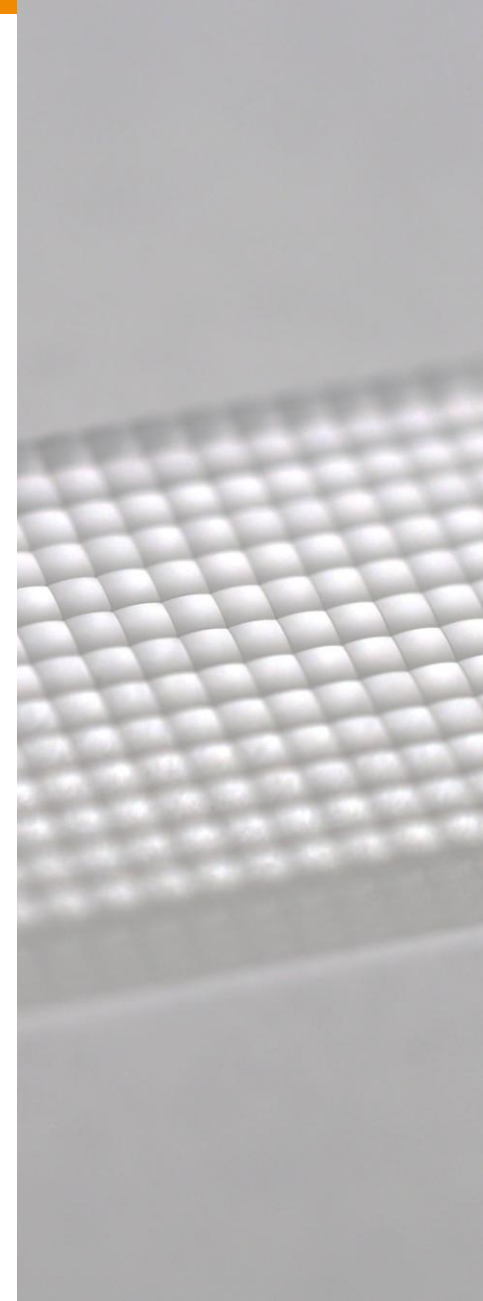
Injection molding for lens arrays

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HiFi Optics® compression molding

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Diamond turning

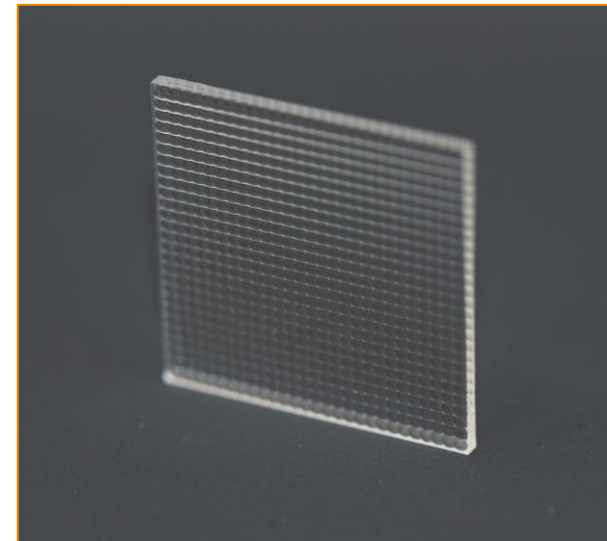
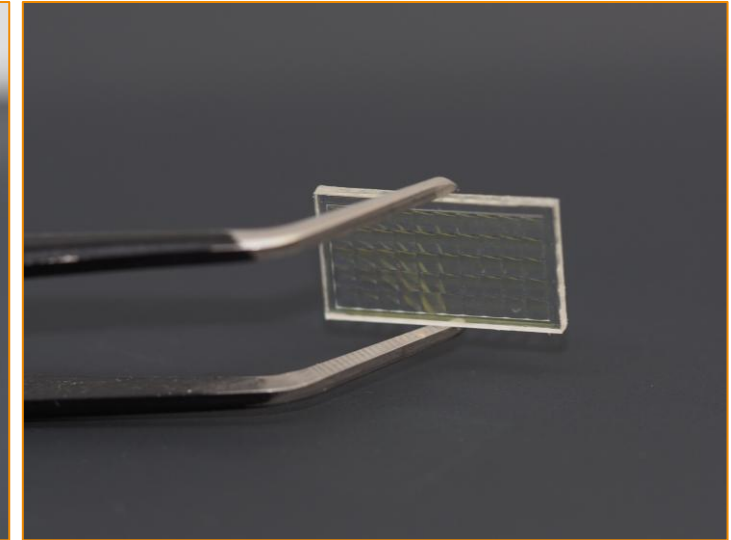
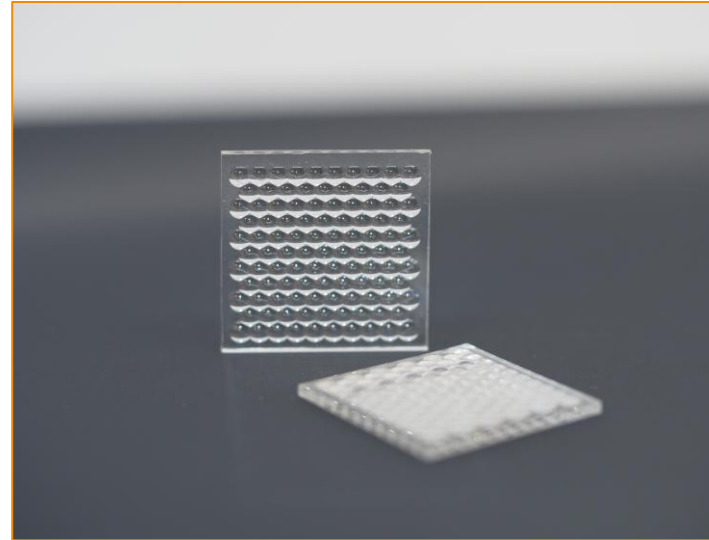


1 Injection molding for lens arrays

Using:

- Proprietary molding tool
- DPI® manufactured mold inserts

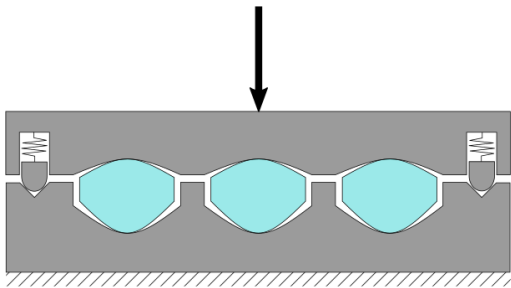
Applications: AR/VR, LiDAR, lighting, healthcare, ...



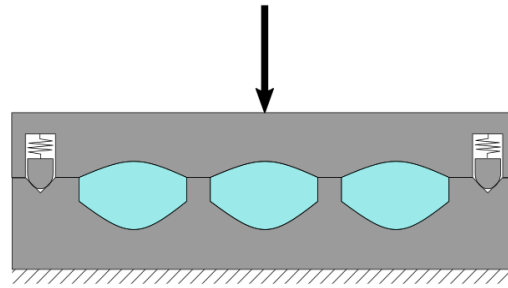
	Special injection molding process
SFE	Down to 300 nm p-v
Ra roughness	< 10 nm
Thickness	0.6 - 3 mm
Max slope	< 40°
Fill factor	100%
Double sided	Yes
Alignment	<10µm
Shapes	Aspheres, diffractives, freeforms
Materials	Optical thermoplastic materials: PMMA, PC , COC, COP

HiFi Optics® compression molding for AR

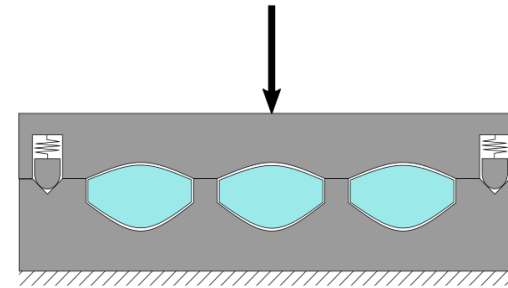
Proprietary Isothermal Compression Molding Process



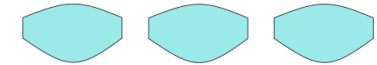
1. Preforms inserted in multi-cavity ultra precision mold with adapted alignment system



2. Isothermal compression molding of lenses



3. Isotropic shrinkage of lenses during cooling



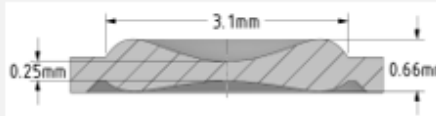
4. Demolding of HiFi Optics® lenses

No temperature gradient for high shape accuracy and low residual stress

HiFi Optics® compression molding for AR

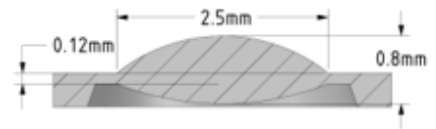
Proprietary Isothermal Compression Molding Process

Dogbone



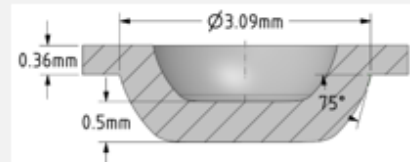
GMR = 0.38

Large MR



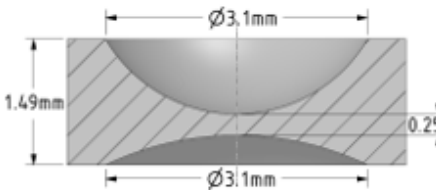
MR = 6.7

Slope lens



Slope = 75°

Small MR



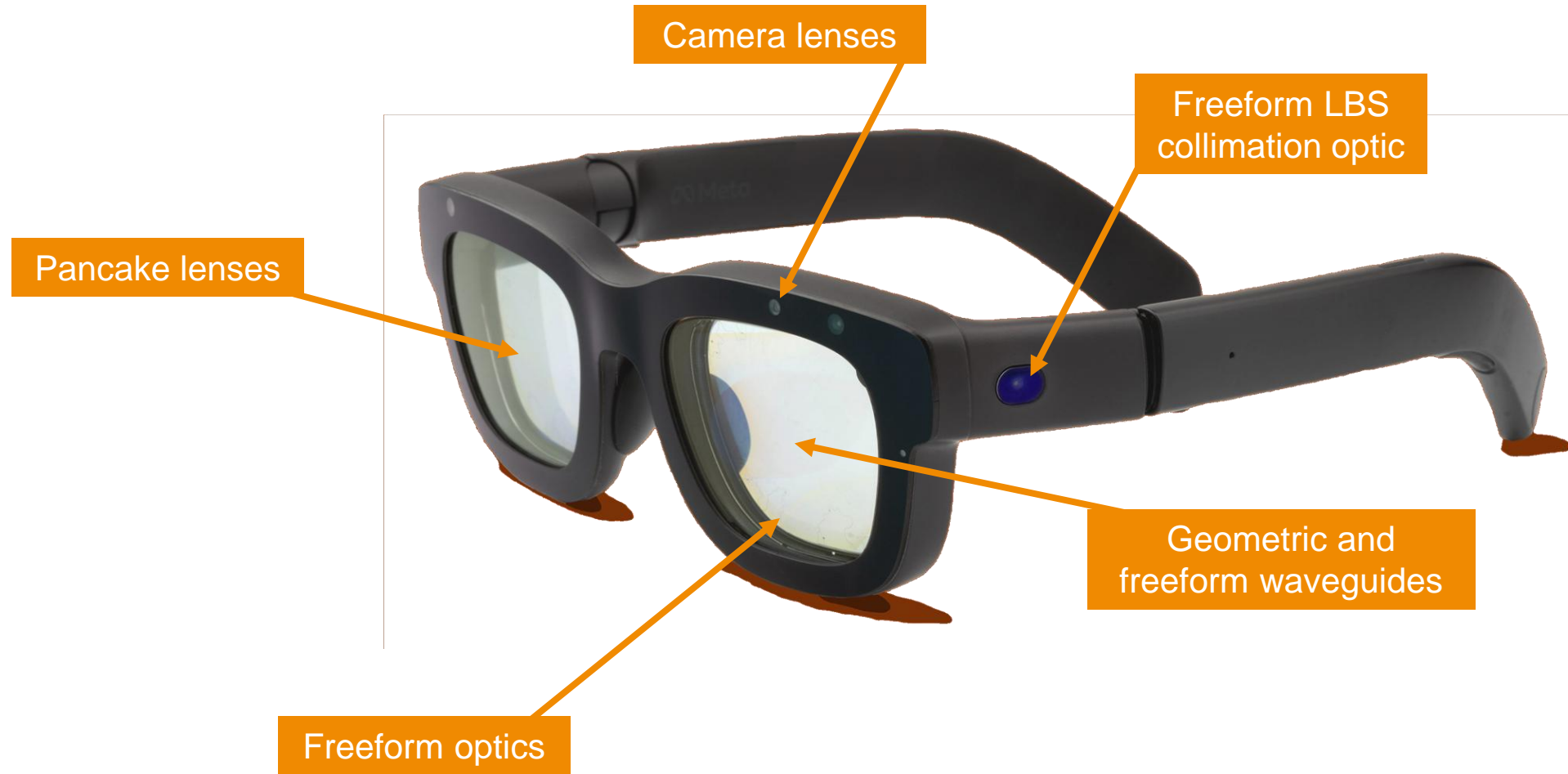
MR = 0.17

HiFi Optics® compression molding

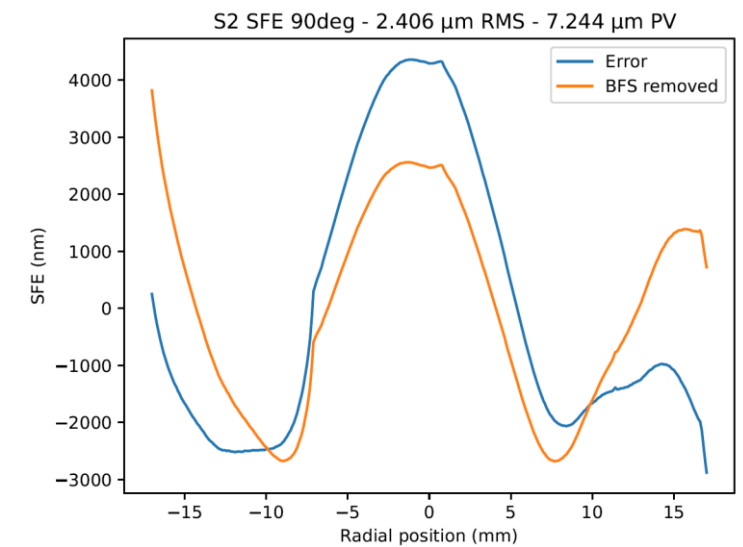
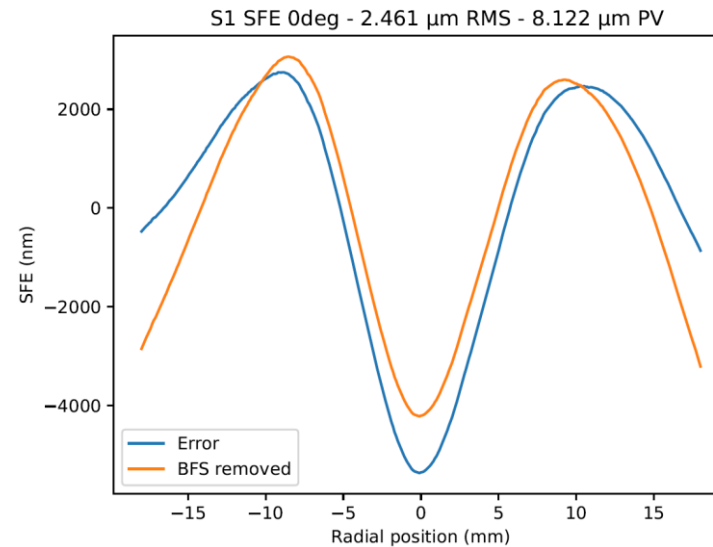
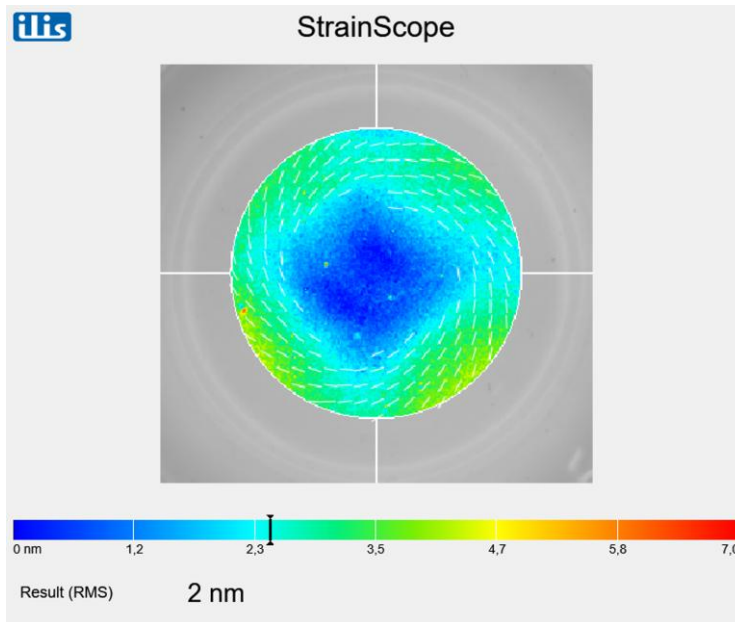
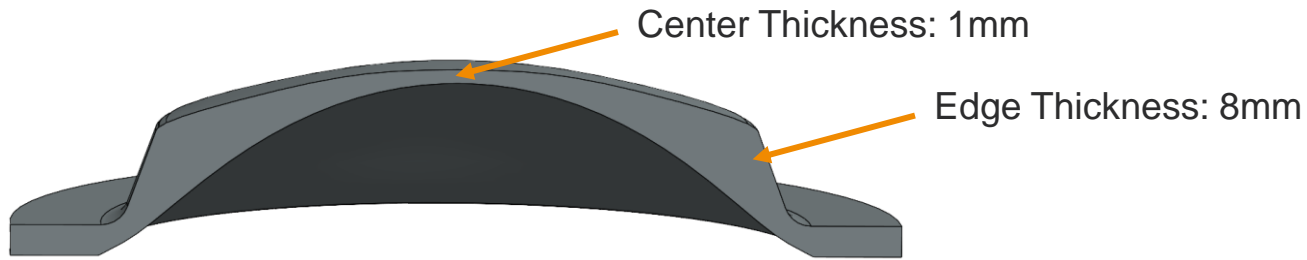
Form irregularity	Down to 150 nm p-v
Ra roughness	< 5 nm
Position accuracy	Optical surfaces co-alignment: 1-2 μ m
Minimum thickness	< 200 μ m
Aspect ratio	> 5
Max slope	Up to 75°
Birefringence	Down to 10nm/cm
Shapes	Aspheres, diffractives, freeforms
Materials	PMMA, PC (Mitsubishi EP Series, ...), COC (Mitsui APEL), COP (Zeonex)



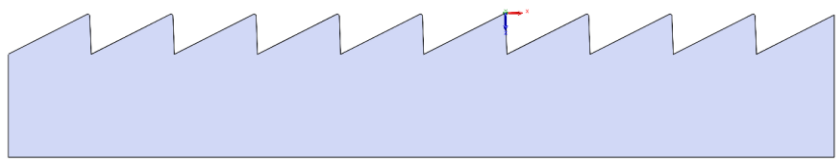
UPMT customer projects for AR/VR



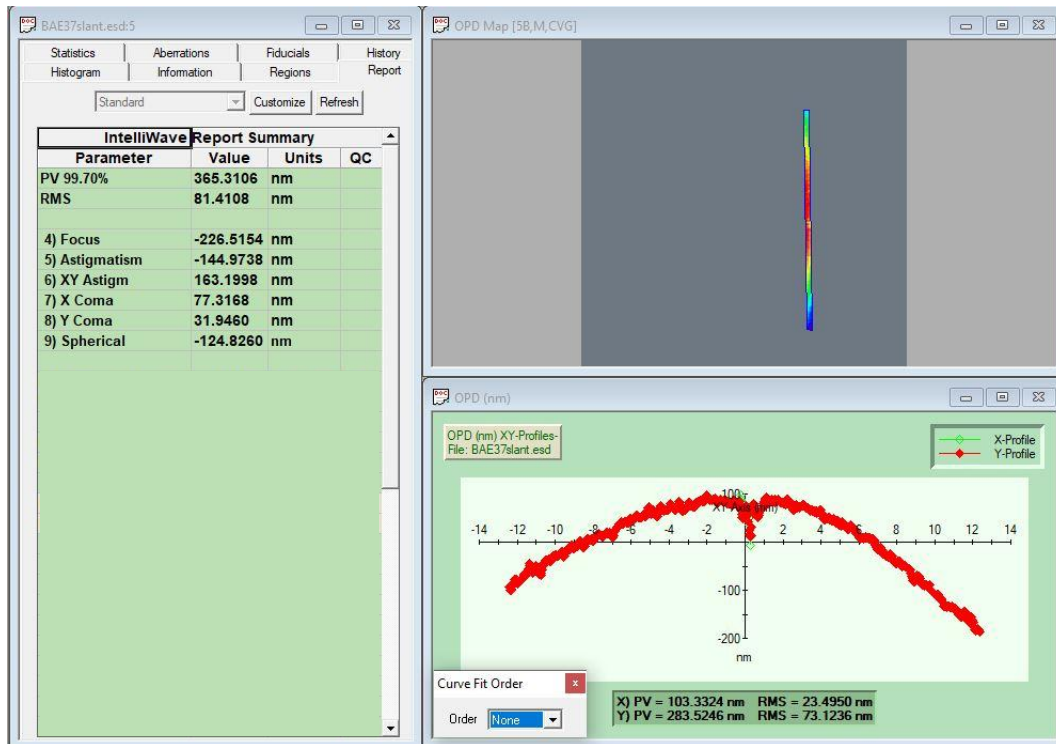
HiFi Optics® compression molding use case: pancake lenses



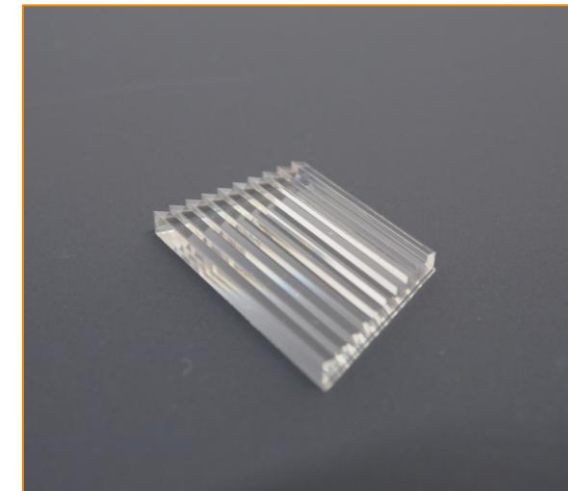
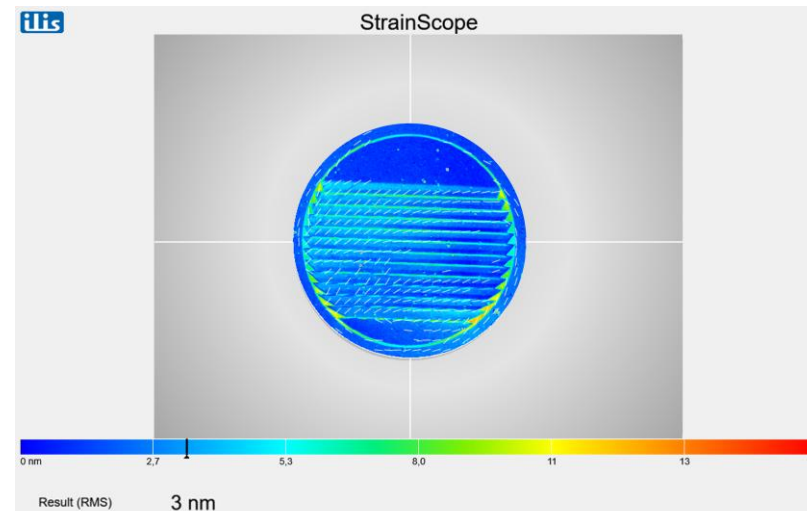
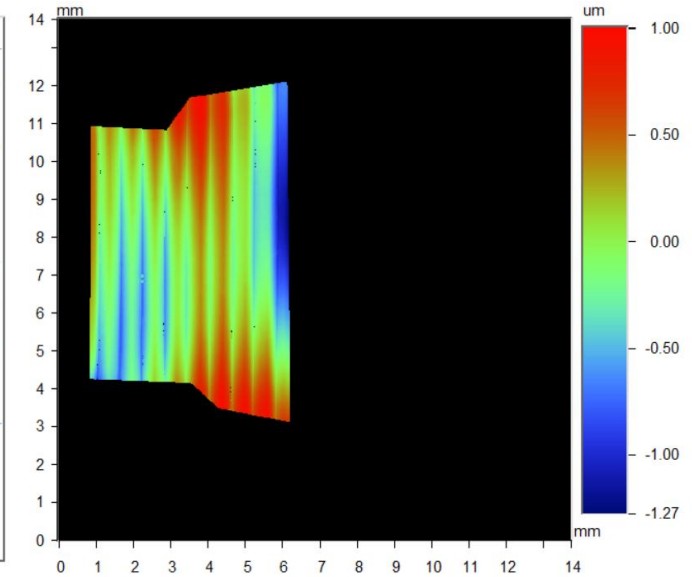
HiFi Optics® compression molding use case: geometric waveguides



Slant height: 1mm



Measurement Parameters	
File:	
Wavelength	632.80 nm
Wedge	
X/Y Size	1024 X 1024
Pixel size	13.44 um
Date	
Time	
Analysis Results	
Ra	324.182 nm
Rms	409.179 nm
20 Pt. PV	2.243 um
2 Pt. PV	2.28 um
Analysis Parameters	
Terms	Tilt
Pupil	100 %
Masks:	
Filtering	None
Data Restore	No
Valid Points	224987

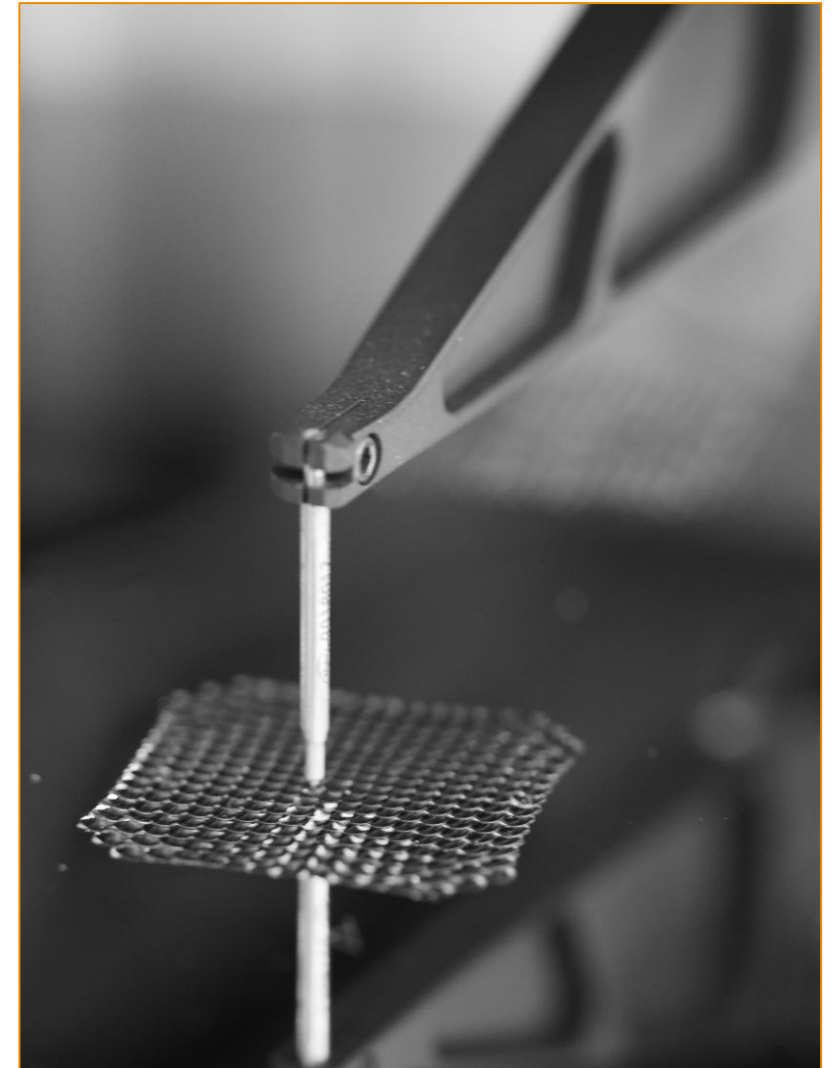


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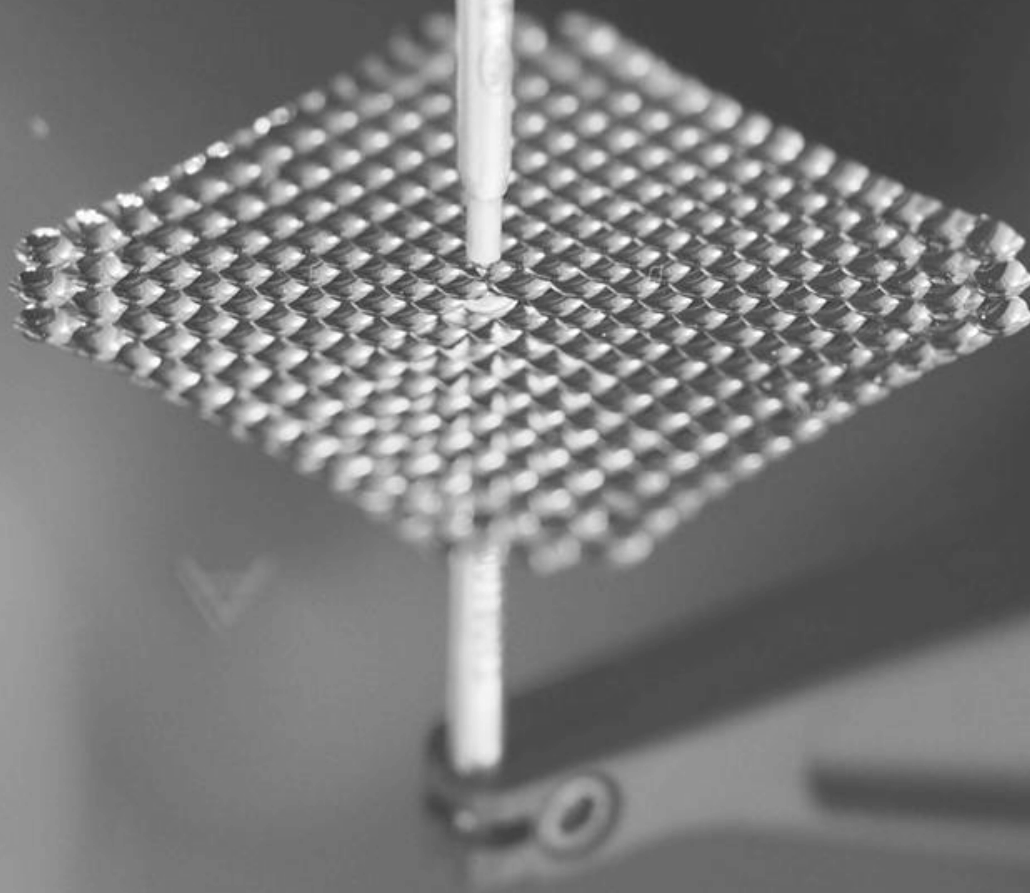
Plastic optics manufacturing services

From mold engineering to optics manufacturing and test, including:

- Mold and/or tooling design and engineering
- CNC machining of mold and/or tooling (3- and 5-axis)
- Diamond machining:
 - DPI®
 - Conventional 2-axes diamond turning
 - Freeform 3-axis turning
- Optics replication:
 - Special injection molding
 - HiFi Optics® compression molding
- Direct diamond machining
- Optical coatings from recognized suppliers
- Final shape : dicing – post processing (diamond saw dicing, milling)
- Metrology:
 - SFE
 - Birefringence
 - Roughness
 - Centration



Thank you !



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