Zirconia Ribbon Ceramic

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About ENrG

- Located in Buffalo, NY.
- UltraThin Flexible Ceramic.
- Produce for the Energy, Electronics, and Medical markets.
- Technology is licensed from Corning.
- Supported by NYSERDA and FlexTech Alliance and grant funding.
- In 2015, implemented strategy to move from sheet to R2R processing.



Photo courtesy of University of Houston

UltraThin Flexible Ceramic

Thin E-Strate®

- Ultra-thin, dense, 3 mol% YSZ (3YSZ)
- Available 20, 40µm
- Demo 12u, 7u in production laboratory
- Tooled for various sheet sizes, largest is 12x15 cm
- 2017 Ribbon Ceramic is 10-32mm wide by 30 meters





Ribbon Ceramic - Never Been Done.....







Zirconia Ribbon Ceramic = Thin E-Strate[®] + R2R

- Why R2R Ceramic?
 - Market demand
 - Better quality product
 - Less energy
 - Higher productivity
 - Able to R2R coat
- Gen 2
 - 20-40µm Zirconia Ribbon Ceramic (ZRC)
 - Widths 10-60 mm, intro 100mm
 - Length: 10-100 meters
- Continued relationship with Corning for R2R format & other materials.



Coatings: DCS, R2R Format, Intellivation



Demonstration of R2R Lamination of OCA onto Zirconia Ribbon Ceramic Photo & demo courtesy of Dorey Converting Systems







R2R Vacuum Sputtering of Copper onto 20µm thick Zirconia Ribbon Ceramic Photo & demo courtesy of Intellivation

Coating: R2R Deposition of Functional Thin Films on ZRC



Zirconia Ribbon Ceramic moving in R2R deposition tool

Advanced Manufacturing Institute (AMI) University of Houston

Team Members: Pavel Dutta, Ying Gao, Sicong Sun, Monika Rathi, Venkat Selvamanickam High-mobility active layers for device Single-crystal-like IBAD template

Ceramic Tape

Development of single-crystalline-like III-V GaAs, Si and Ge films with **high carrier mobilities** on ceramic tapes

R2R lon-beam assisted deposition (**IBAD**) process used to achieve single-crystal-like highly textured films on amorphous ceramic tapes

High mobility \rightarrow High performance devices

Several R2R plasma-assisted chemical vapor deposition (CVD), sputter, e-beam tools are available at **Univ. of Houston**

Applications targeted include flexible energy devices (PV, LED), electronics, sensors, RF devices, etc.

Surface Energy of Thin E-Strate[®] is 53.96 (dyne/cm), having 30.96 dispersive and 23.01 polar components, respectively*

*Data courtesy of *Michael Joyce, PhD Student, Chemical & Paper Engineering, College of Engineering & Applied Sciences, Western Michigan University*

Energy Harvesting – Solar PV

- Superstrate CdTe
- Translucent thin YSZ serves as both the superstrate and hermetic cover sheet
- No out-diffusion from the thin zirconia
- Dimensional stability under temperature cycling is excellent
- Integrating with Solid State Thin Film Battery to create a Flexible Integrated Power Pack (FIPP)
 - Team: ITN Energy Systems, Lucintech, ENrG Inc., FlexTech







SSLB on Flexible Ceramic Substrate

• ITN Has Produced SSLB on ENrG Flexible Ceramic

Substrates

- $_{\circ}~$ As Thin as 20 $\mu m~YSZ$
- $_{\circ}~$ Area Up to 40 cm^{2}
- $_{\circ}~$ Cathodes up to 15 μm Thick
- Ultra-Thin, Flexible High Energy Density SSLB Possible with This Approach
 - $_{\circ}~$ Up to 600 Wh/I
 - 。 1-150 mAh Capacity
 - $_{\circ}$ Package Thickness < 250 μ m





 $40 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ SSLB}$



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R2R Enables Higher Energy Density SSLB Opportunities

- Unprecedented Energy Density >1,000 Wh/I
- Enables High Volume, Low Cost Manufacturing
- Full Integration the Device is the Package
 - "Kicks the Can"
- Novel Flexible, Ultrathin Batteries for Wearables,

Medical, Flexible Electronics

Safe Alternative to Lithium Ion Batteries





Substrate & Packaging: Flip Chip LEDs on Thin E-Strate®

Low Thermal Resistance Enables LED Longer Life & Efficiency



Photo courtesy University of Houston

LED surface Temp at 10 mA: 9°C cooler on Thin E-Strate[®] over polyimide

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Visible Flip-Chip Light-Emitting Diodes on Flexible Ceramic Substrate With Improved Thermal Management

Seung Hwan Kim, Shivkant Singh, Seung Kyu Oh, Dong Kyu Lee, Keon Hwa Lee, Shahab Shervin, Student Member, IEEE, Mojtaba Asadirad, Student Member, IEEE, Venkat Venkateswaran, Kathy Olenick, John A. Olenick, Sung-Nam Lee, Joon Seop Kwak, Anastassios Mavrokefalos, and Jae-Hyun Ryou, Senior Member, IEEE

<u>http://www.mdpi.com/212662:</u> Flexible Mixed-Potential-Type (MPT) NO2 Sensor Based on An Ultra-Thin Ceramic Film

Gas Sensing: NOx Sensors

- Structure: heating electrode 20µm thick YSZ reference/sensing electrodes
- Excellent performance to detect NO₂
 - Sensitivity achieved: 58.4 mV/decade at 200°C
- Superior mechanical stability after bending over 50 times
- Fast response time <10s at 200 ppm
- Low power (1025 mW) at 200°C, 8.0 mm x 6.4 mm area







Flexible Mixed-Potential-Type (MPT) NO₂ Sensor Based on An Ultra-Thin Ceramic Film

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Non-destructive, In-Situ High Temperature Sensing: Phosphors

- Phosphor thermometry: Emission of light from a compound after being remotely excited. Properties of the emitted light contain temperature information. "Decay time" corresponds to time taken for emitted signal to drop in intensity. How quickly it drops signifies the temperature.
- Remote Thermometry applications
 Optoelectronics, Aerospace, Insulation
- Advantages:
 - Detachable, Re-useable, Flexible
 - Broad temperature range: Cryogenics to 1000°C
 - * Lightweight, Inert, Chemically stable
 - Controlling doping / coating concentration can control sensitivity and intensity
 - Remote sensing, low power, instantaneous, wireless, accuracy < 1°C







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Antennas

Coplanar Waveguide (CPW)-fed Monopole antenna on ENrG's Thin E-Strate[®]



Strain Gages



ITO strain gauges patterned on 20 µm thick 3YSZ ceramic

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