

Innovations in Transparent, Flexible Lighting

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TCF Industry Standard

ITO (Indium TinOxide)

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- ITO currently dominates <u>both</u> Glass & Flexible Substrate segments limited capability for flexible applications
- Will continue to dominate on Glass
- Will be displaced on Flexible Substrates (Plastic Films)
 - ITO is not flexible, formable or stretchable
 - ITO is not as transparent & conductive on Plastic
 - ITO can be costly to create circuit patterns on Plastic

Historically the patterning of ITO based TCF technologies has been dependent on high resolution laser ablation capabilities to enable pattern structures.





ITO Alternative Categories

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Market Needs	PEDOT	CNT	AgNW	MM	CNT Hybrid
1. Transparency / Conductivity	o Limited	o Limited	✓ Excellent	✓ Excellent	✓ Excellent
2. Affordability	✓ Excellent	✓ Excellent	o Limited	o Limited	✓ Good
3. Environmental Stability	o Limited	✓ Excellent	✓ Good	✓ Excellent	✓ Excellent
4. Flexibility / Formability	✓ Excellent	✓ Excellent	o Limited	o Limited	✓ Excellent







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Cost of Patterned TCF (\$/m²)



- Better Performance
- More Affordable

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Fabrication and Process requirements



Processing Equipment

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- Screen Printing Press
- Convection Oven
- Ventilation Systems















APPLICATIONS



Applications

Numerous application areas and opportunities for growth and application diversification:

- 1. Transparent Heaters
- 2. Transparent Antennas (IoT, 5G etc)
- 3. Transparent Lighting Films
- 4. Transparent Touch Sensors







Transparent Heaters Opportunities

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Global Market for Automated and Autonomous Driving, Including Related Services







Conventional "Transparent" Heaters

Conventional automotive heater pain points which are resolved with printed transparent systems

- Uneven heat distribution
- Visible wires

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• Single point of failure

Printed systems also offer utilisation of existing deposition methods and a reduction in weight

Demonstrator kits are also available











Transparent Antennas

Numerous applications areas to apply the technology - 5G, IoT, TV signal, broadband RF shielding and beyond

shielding



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Transparent Lighting Films & Opportunities

Opportunity for transparent LED films, currently driven by the retail industry for cutting-edge digital signage advertising displays

Colour LEDs offering an eye-catching shop front displays whilst allowing the customer to also see through.



(Photo source: Digital Media Systems 2021)

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- Hospitality
- Workplace
- Museums
- Tradeshows
- Sports arenas
- Restaurants
- Real estate
- Government





Overall Market - Digital Signage

- Overall market for large format digital advertising displays is approximately \$15Bn
- According to Samsung's survey in 2018 the most exciting technologies for the industry are bezel-less, interactive signage, and LEDS.
- More than **1/3rd of the market** is now LED displays

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Direct View LED Displays

- Size of the market today for LED displays is ~500,000 m2 of display area (Source: IHS), approximately \$6 Bn
- Market grew by 34.7% in 2019 (Source: Omdia)



LED Video display annual revenues by pixel pitch

Source – Omdia LED Video Displays Market Tracker – Premium, Q4 2019

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Transparent LED screens are expected to emerge as **the fastest**growing segment of the market (Source: Grandview research)





Conventional "Transparent" LED Displays

Conventional solution for "transparent LED Films":

Assembled LED strips in a mesh array

- Visible LED strips, especially from the back
- Obstruction of light, limited VLT%
- Not flexible, limited application
- Heavy, requires mechanical supports







The Next Step Forward in Transparent LED Films

AgeNT transparent LED Films

Totally transparent "wiring" Can be laminated between glass or applied onto glass or plastic by adhesive film

- Environmentally stable
- Highly Flexible
- Highly Transparent
- Uniform Lighting
- Lightweight

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(Photo Source: Lumitronix, CHASM)





- Base film for LED array (AgeNT-1)





Summary

- AgeNT hybrid technologies offer a solution to the issues of ITO for flexible applications
- Ease of processing route for large scale manufacturing
- Low capital cost possibilities for current PCB manufacturers and Printed Electronics manufacturers with industry standard processing technologies
- Enabling technologies providing access to a wide range of new and existing markets
 - Options for diversification of product and application portfolios
 - Potential for diversification of the existing customer base











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