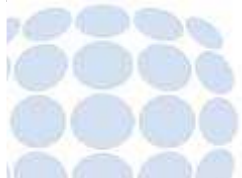




cleaning, activation and coating by means of

Openair[®] - Plasma Technology

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The Company Plasmatreat



150 employees in 15 locations world wide:

- more than 4000 installed systems; more than 9000 jets
- some hundreds of different applications

Development; Design, Production and Sales of:

Physical Treatment-Systems made by High-Voltage-Technology

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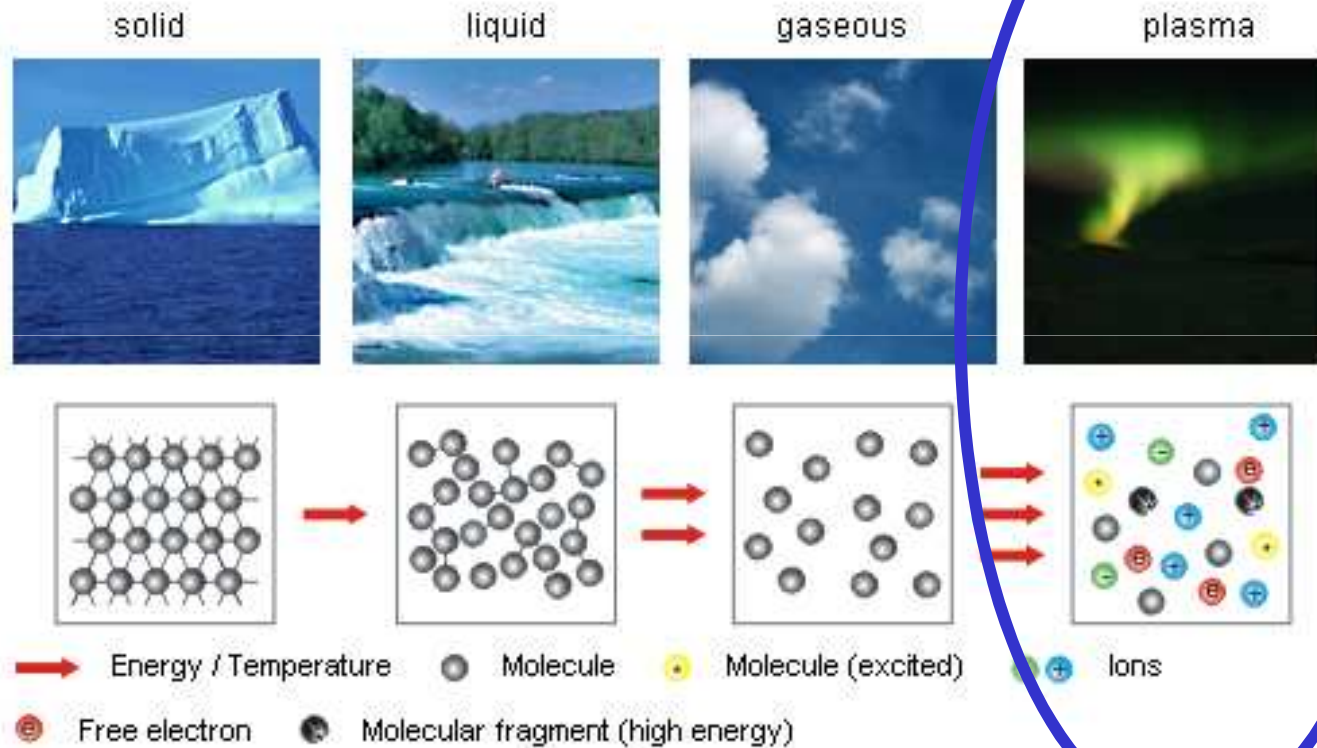
**Sales
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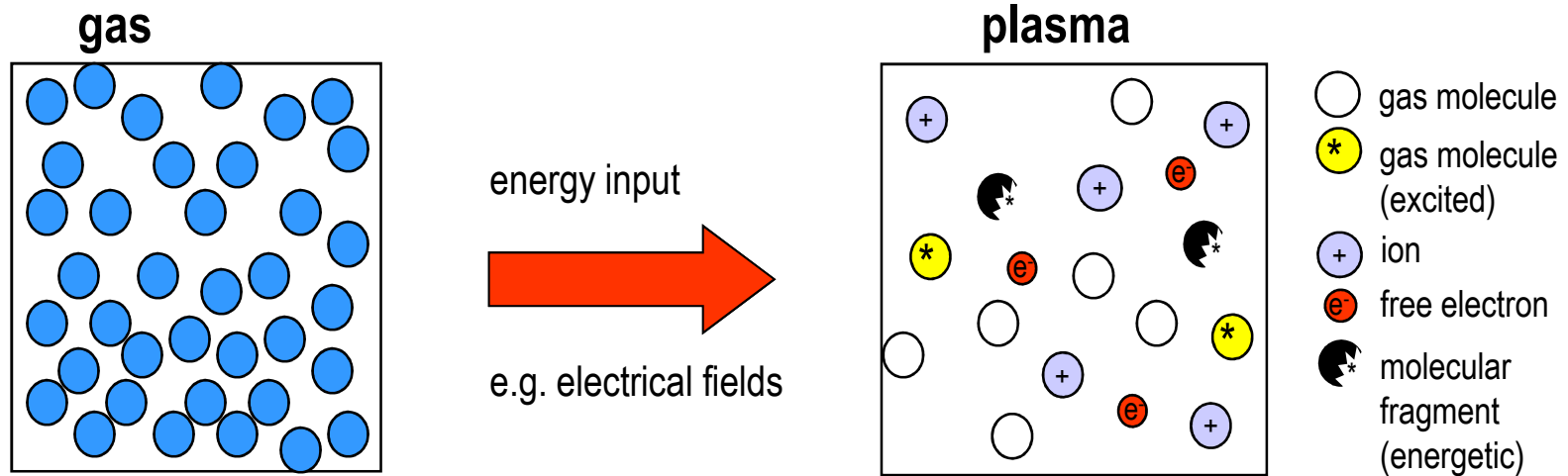
Basics - Plasma

Plasma – the fourth aggregate state of matter



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Basics - Plasma



Example:

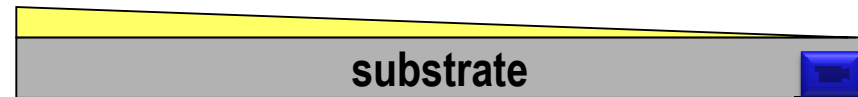
O_2 -molecules

O_2^* , O_2^+ , O^- , O_3 , etc.

CO , CO_2
 H_2O , etc.

plasma cleaning

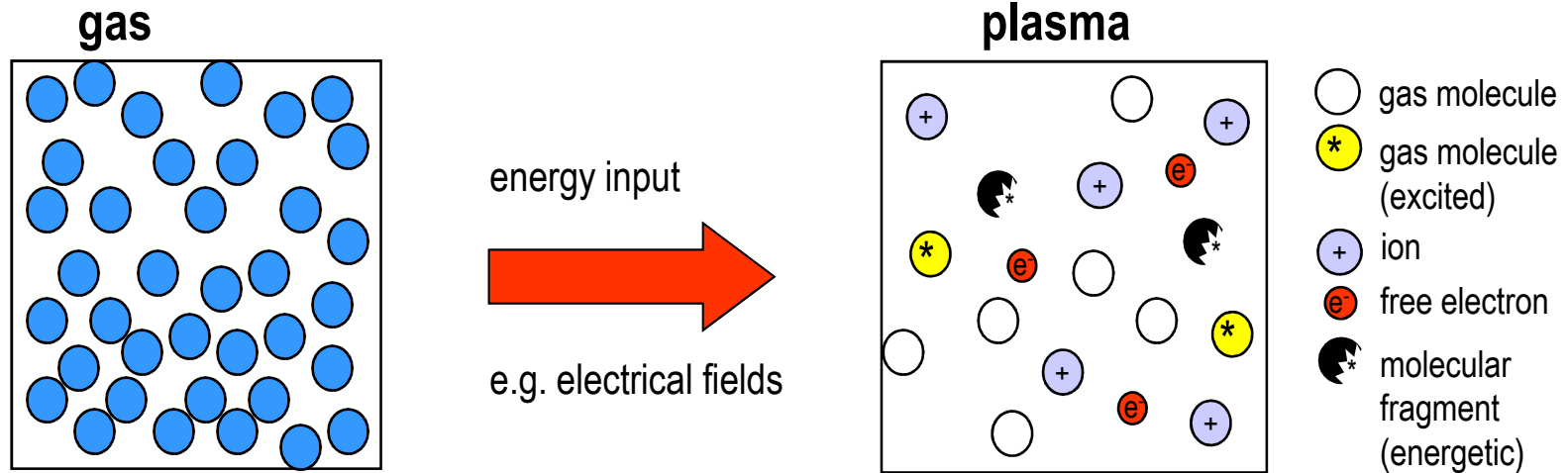
organic contamination



Quelle: Fraunhofer IFAM

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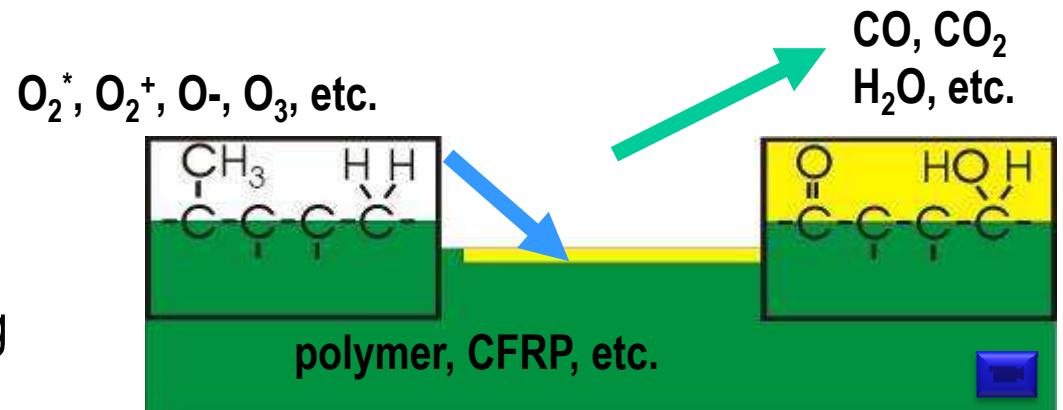


Example:

O₂-molecules

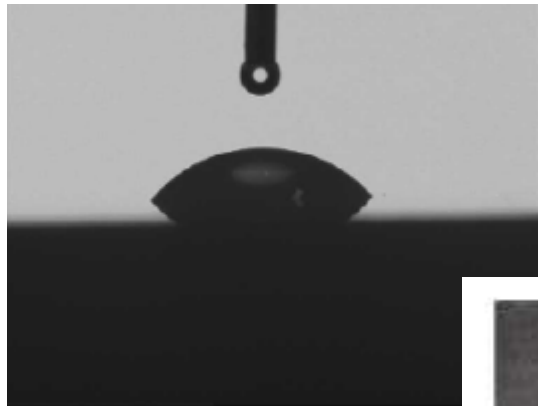
plasma activation

adhesion: bonding / painting

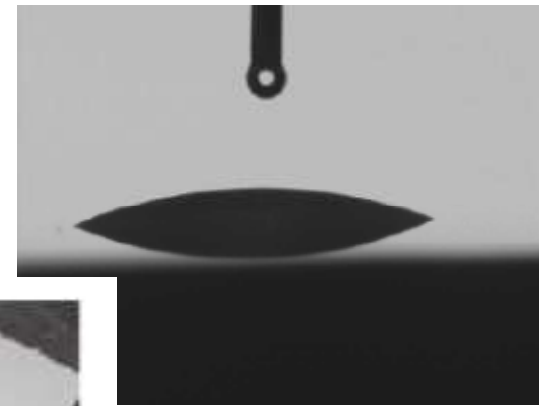


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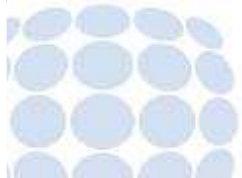
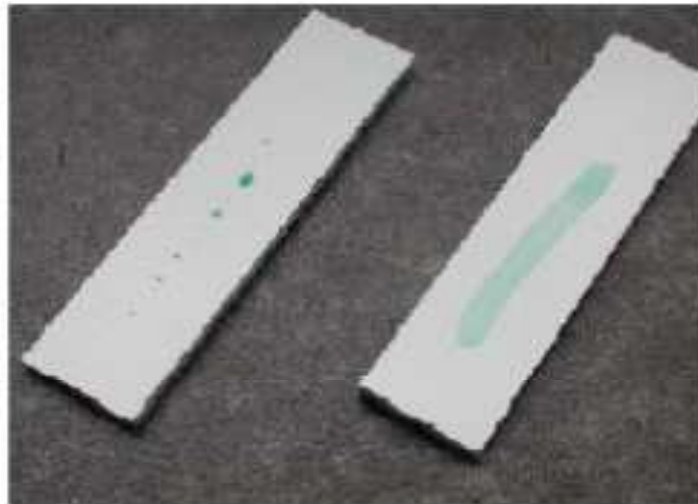
Surface Tension Measurement



untreated

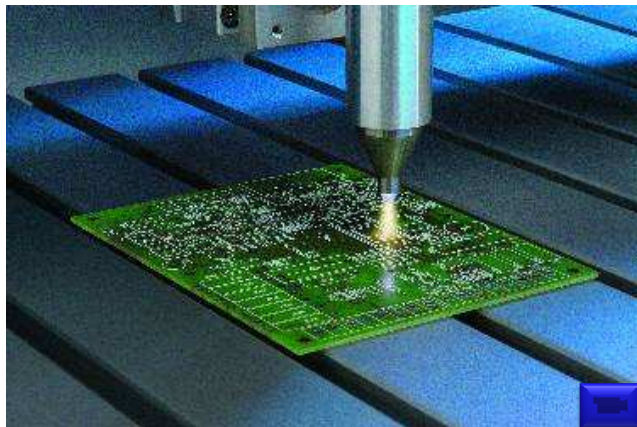


treated

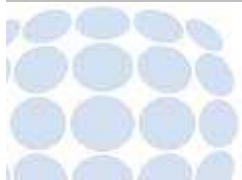


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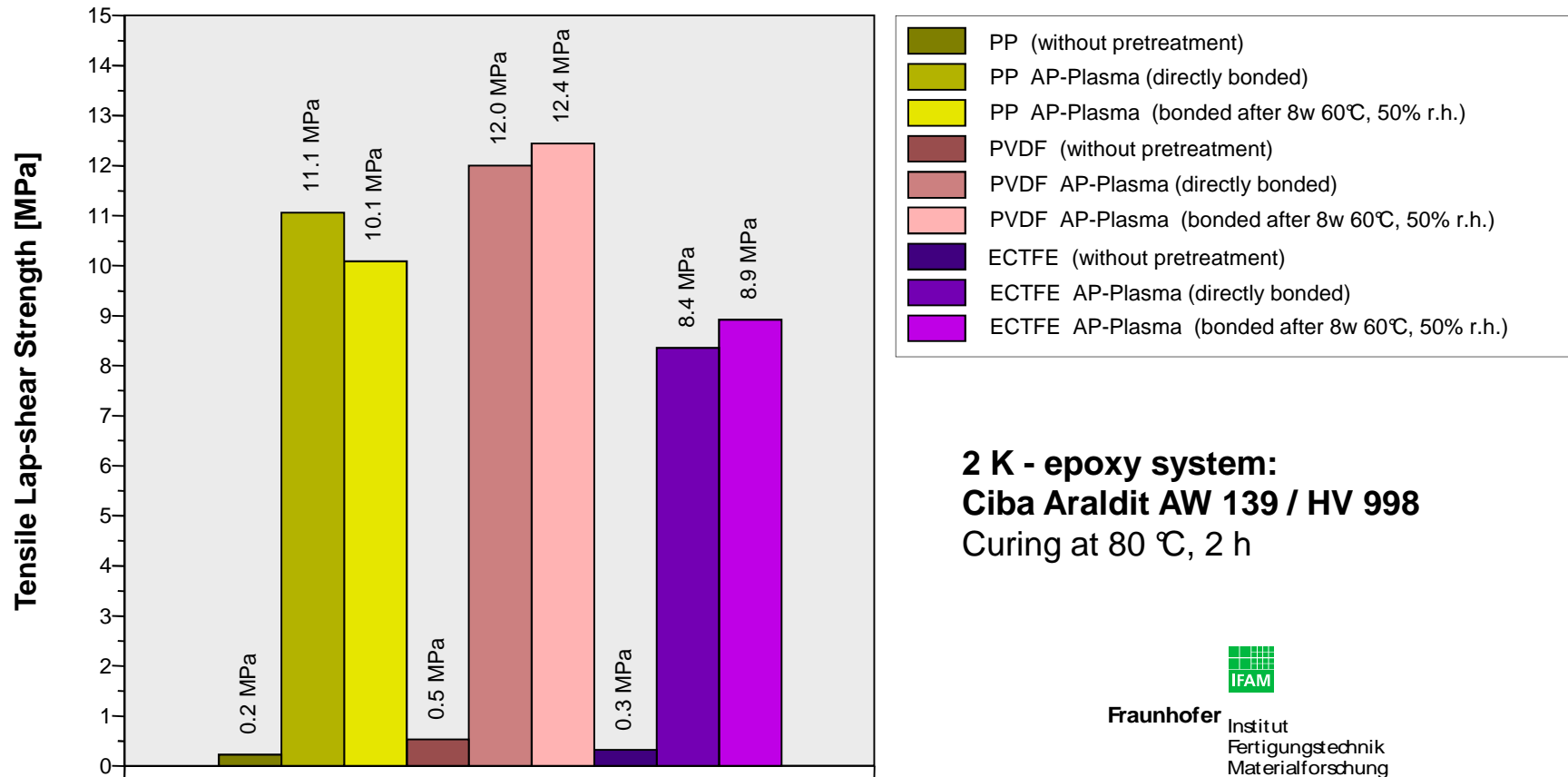
Automotive – Sensors and electrical device



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Tensile Lap-shear Strength of Plastic Bondings



Openair[®]-Plasma Düsen



Plasma Jet PFW10

Treatment width:
Treatment speed:



Plasma Jet PFW20

3 – 20mm
up to 900 m/min



Plasma Jet RD1004

Treatment width:
Treatment speed:



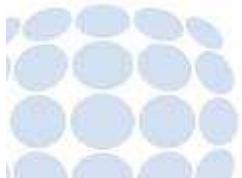
Plasma Jet RD2004

10 – 50 mm
up to 30 m/min

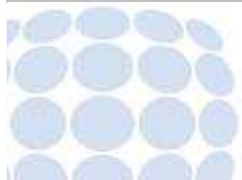


Plasma Jet RD1010

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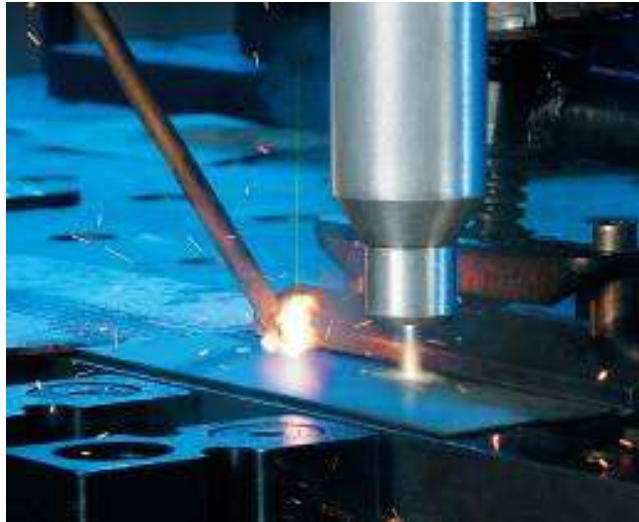


Openair[®]-Plasma nozzle heads



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Precision Cleaning of metallic Surfaces



Improvement of component advantages by specific modification of the surface:

- good cleaning capacity compared to carbon hydrids (precision cleaning)
- modification of the surface for adhesion/paint bonding (adhesion characteristics)
- change of the corrosion characteristics (Hydrolysis stability)
- improvement of the weldability (disposal of „gas tanks“)

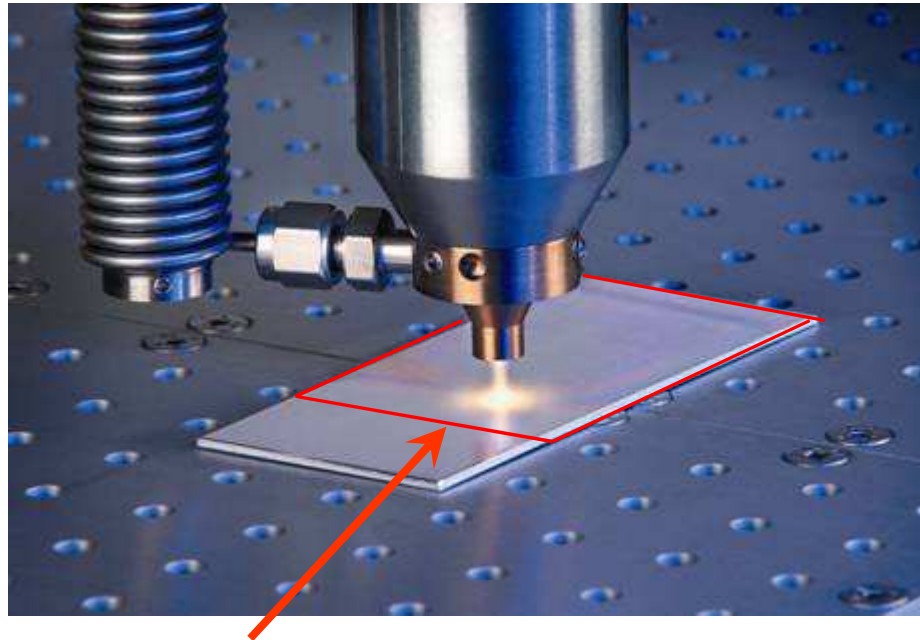
**Materials: Aluminum
Steel**

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Coating with Openair Plasma

Precipitation of thin layers



Openair[®]-Plasma coating

Coating on Aluminum with various layer thicknesses between 5 and 700 nm

Functionalities:

- hydrophile
- hydrophobic
- Anti corrosion layers
- Adhesion promoter layers
- De-hesive coatings

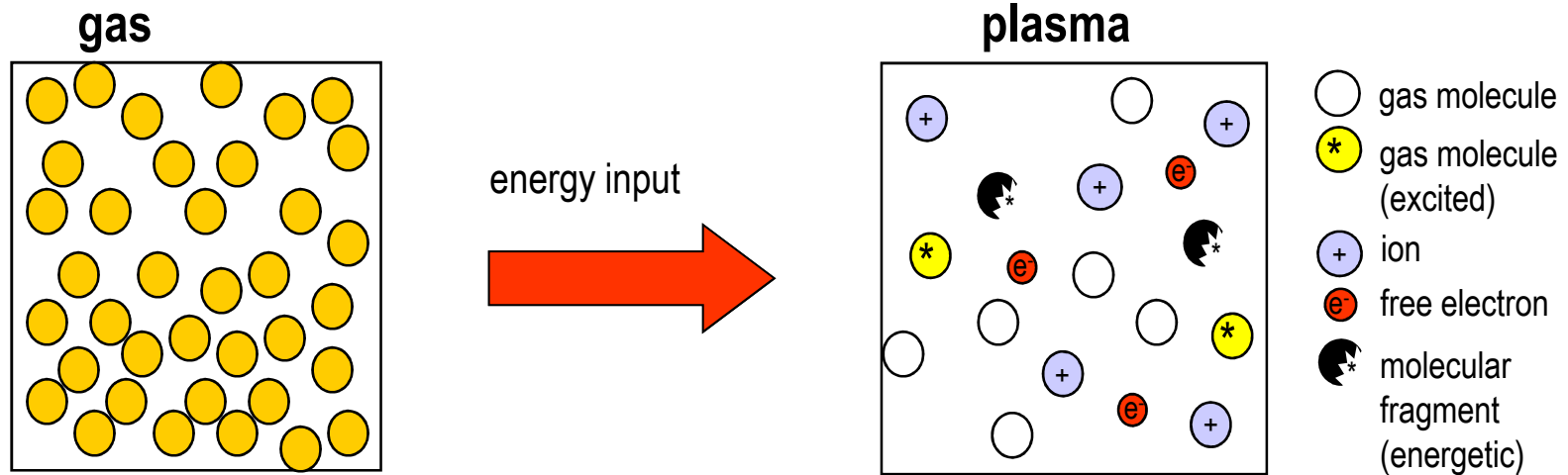
Substrate:

- Metal
- Plastics
- Glass

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Basics - Plasma



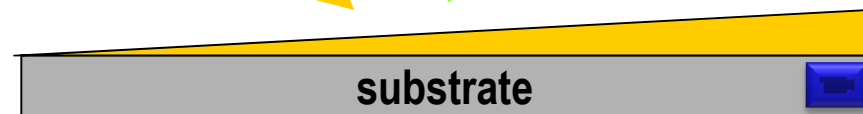
Example:

CH_4 molecules

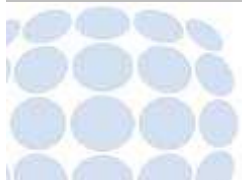
$\text{CH}_4^{*,+,-}$, $\text{CH}_3^{*,+,-}$, $\text{H}_x^{*,+,-}$, $\text{C}_x\text{H}_y^{*,+,-}$

H_2 , C_xH_y

plasma polymerisation



Quelle: Fraunhofer IFAM



Coating with Openair Plasma

Precipitation of thin layers



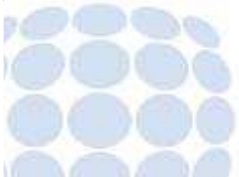
Application of Plasmapolymer Layers

- Adhesion promoter layers for reactive glues (PUR, Epoxy, Compounds)
- **Anti-Corrosion layers** for Aluminum, Steel
- „easy to clean“ coating Metals
- **Scratch resistant layers** e.g. for Polycarbonate (mobile-phone displays)
- **Barrier layers**

PT- Bond technology



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Coating with Openair Plasma

Corrosion inhibiting layers



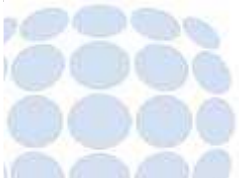
Corrosion protection on Aluminum; PT-Corr technology

Salt spray test 96 h (DIN 50021)

- The corrosion behavior of aluminum pipes with and without coating was tested
- after 96 hours salt spray test, the **untreated aluminum shows strong corrosion**
- On the **coated material** there occurred no corrosion



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PlasmaPlus®- Coating technology

Corrosion protection Motor- Pump- Unit



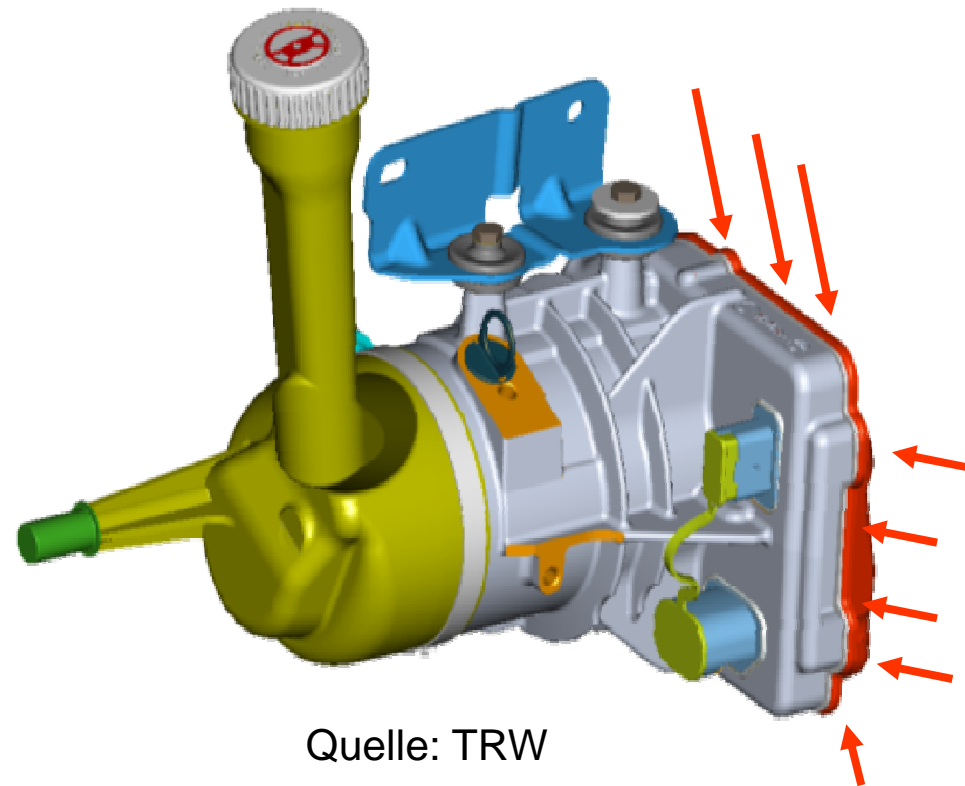
Corrosion protection and Adhesion promotion on milled Aluminum pressure housings *Avoidance of the corrosive corrosion creep of the glue bonding*

Original Process

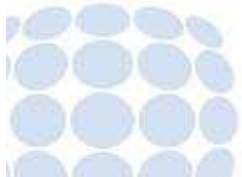
- Spraying on of a corrosion protection remedy based on Fluorpolymere after bonding
- Manual application, high cost

Today

- Pre-cleaning with Plasma
- Coating with Si-organic layer
- Good bonding



Quelle: TRW



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PlasmaPlus®- Coating technology

Corrosion protection Motor- Pump- Unit



Density inspection after Salt spray test (Swaat-Test)

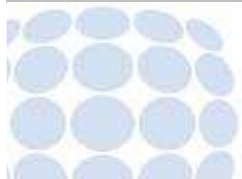
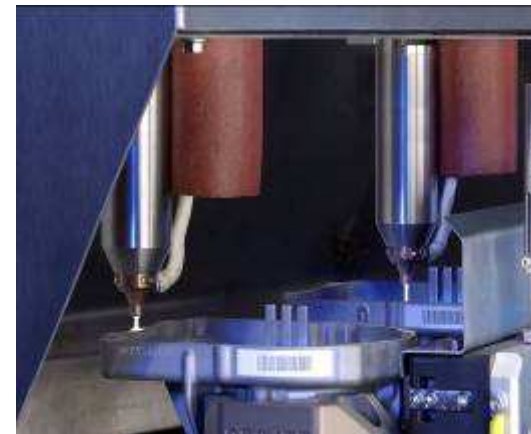
h

	50	250	500	750
Without corrosion protection	i.O.	n.i.O.	n.i.O.	n.i.O.
„Sprayed“ corrosion protection	i.O.	i.O.	i.O.	n.i.O.
Plasma Plus® corrosion protection	i.O.	i.O.	i.O.	i.O.

green: Housing shows no leakage

red: Housing is leaky (corrosion on the flange with aperture towards inside)

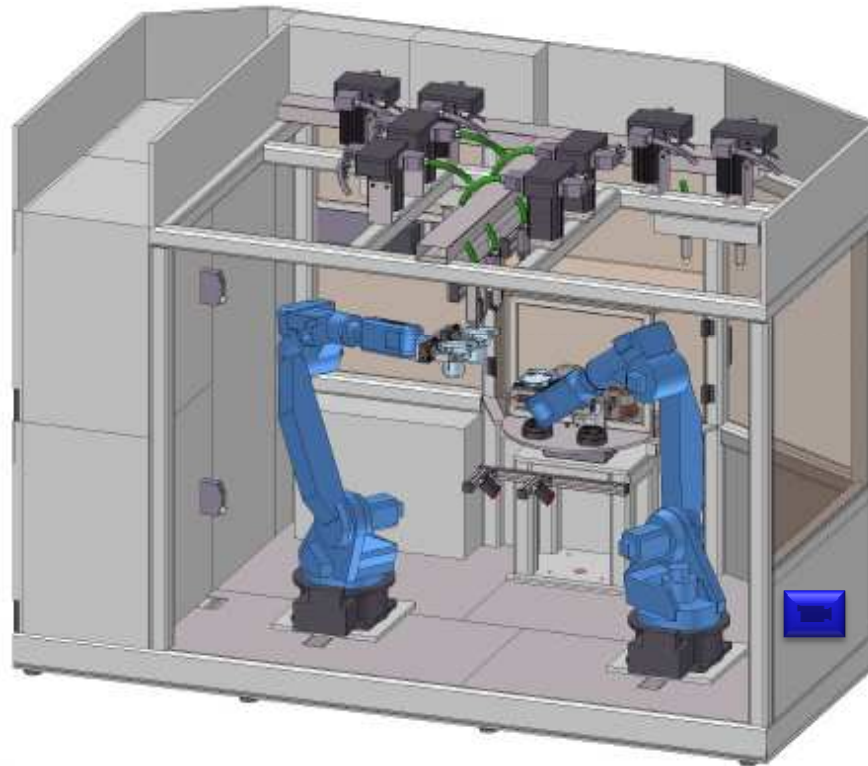
Highly efficient anti corrosion coating



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PlasmaPlus®- coating technology

Corrosion protection Motor- Pump- Unit , systems engineering



- completely automated in a double- Robot cell
- throughput 1,2 Mio. part p.a.
- comprehensive process control of the PlasmaPlus® - coating enables high process safety (Safety part of the steering)

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FPC - FinePowederCoating



Bildquelle: Plasmamatreat/efc plasma



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- FPC- System Technology
 - Development
 - Production
 - Sales and Service world wide



Bildquelle: efc plasma



- FPC – Process Technology
 - R&D for layer functionalities
 - powder management
 - powder feeder
 - process parameters



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FPC - FinePowederCoating

application	layer thickness	substrate temperature	coating powder
PVD	1 – 10 µm	200 – 500 °C	hard material
CVD	1 – 50 µm	400 - 2.000 °C	SiC, GaN, Ag, polycrist. diamond, Korund
FPC-Coating	1 – 200 µm	10 – 100 °C	metal powder, semiconductor, polymeres
thermal spraying	40 – 3.000 µm	300 – 750 °C	Fe and non-Fe-metals, carbides, ceramics

Vakuumsystem



Vakuumsystem



Bildquelle: efc plasma



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FPC - FinePowederCoating



engineered functional coatings made by efc plasma technology open possibilities in new APPLICATIONS and PROCESSES regarding

plasma GRIP^{efc}

TRIBOLOGY



Bildquelle: efc plasma

plasma CORR^{efc}

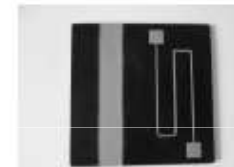
CORROSION RESISTANCE



Bildquelle: efc plasma

plasma CONDUCT^{efc}

CONDUCTIVITY



Bildquelle: efc plasma

plasma BRAZE^{efc}

SOLDERABILITY



Bildquelle: efc plasma

plasma COOL^{efc}

HEAT TRANSMISSION



Bildquelle: efc plasma



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Openair[®] Plasma:

- suitable for inline processes, capable for robots
- long-term stable activation of different plastics and metals
- precision cleaning of metallic surfaces on highest level
- Special technology: „ functional plasmapolymere layers“
 - inorganic and organic
 - hydrophilic and hydrophobic
 - corrosion protection
- FPC technology , coating with fine powder

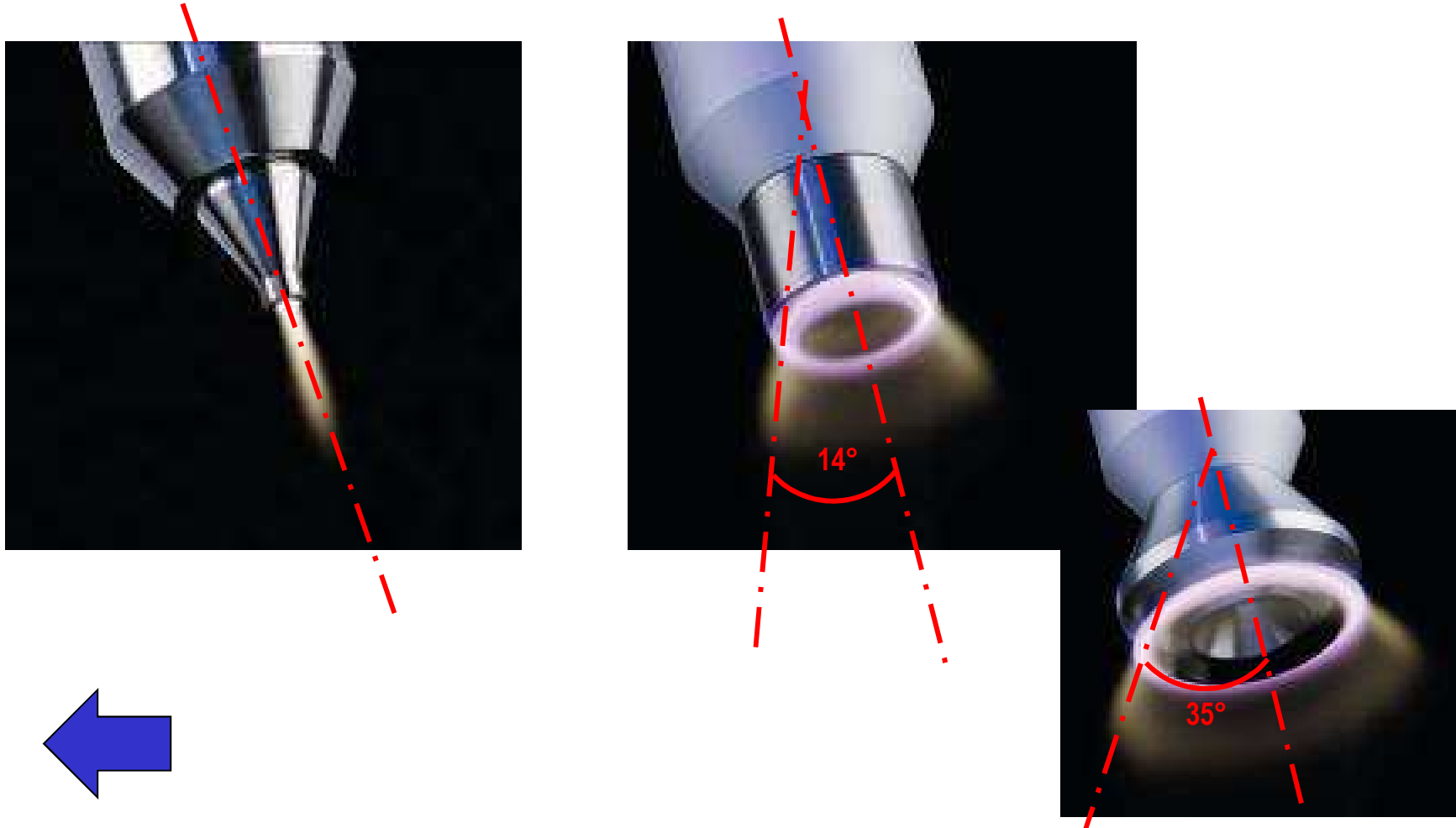


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