# MPGD Experience with Technology Transfer







### 1. History

### Technology Transfer Step 1: Legal issue

- 1. Licence for Micro-Chemical-Vias for "kapton etching" technology in PCB
- 2. Licence for Microvia technology for internal GEM R&D

3. License for Manufacturing and Commercialisation of Gem Foils and Gem-based

products

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Licensee: Technology Transfer Agency Techtra Ltd.







### Technology Transfer Step 2: Cooperation with existing industry



Techtra was responsible for Kapton etching Eldos was responsible for all the rest

#### Problems:

- it is hard to separate production steps especialy during R&D!
- production regime of big PCB producer

### Benefits for Techtra:

- "experience transfer" from Eldos to Techtra





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### Technology Transfer Step 3: Starting the business



Techtra decides to assemble whole GEM production line. The machinery was installed in Wrocław Technology Park. Techtra get UE support within "Intelligent Development" project. We had 2 rooms of about 50m2.

Laboratory scale workshop to have everything under control.



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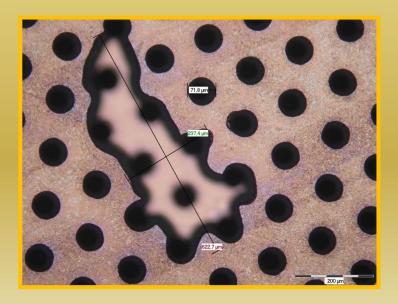


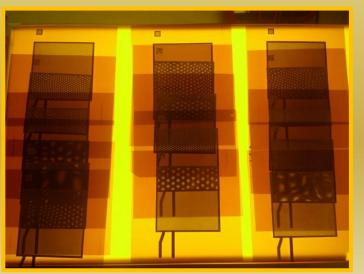
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Techtra gained production capacity in 2009, with following restrictions:

- Uniformity limited to about 10x10cm2
- Max yield of around 70% due to lack of cleanroom, others?







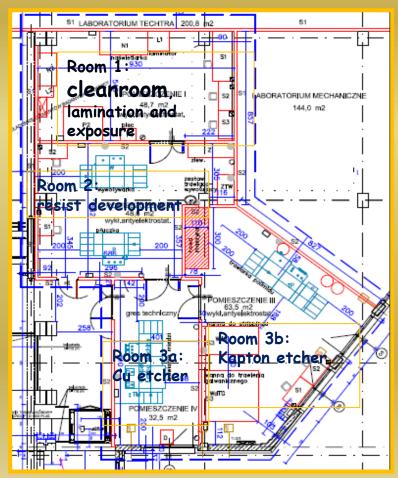


# Technology Transfer Step 4: Full scale technology implementation with dedicated infrastructure for GEMs



Room 1 - 48 m<sup>2</sup> Room 2 - 48 m<sup>2</sup> Room 3 - 96 m<sup>2</sup> Total - 192 m<sup>2</sup>





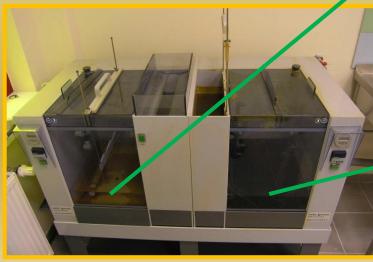


Technology Transfer Step 4: Dedicated infrastructure for GEMs were based on CERN experience.

The choice of machines and workshop layout were consulted with Rui. Machines were produced by "Wise" company, Parma.



New developer



Old developing and etching set



New Cu etcher



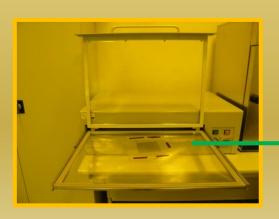
### Machinery "dedicated" for GEM production Techtra

Techtra is focused on GEM foils and GEM detector manufacturing.

All machines have been tuned for GEM production.



Cleanroom



Old exposure unit



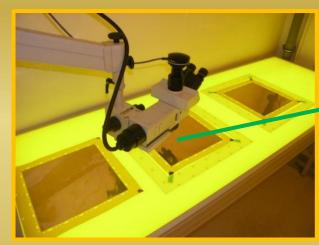
New exposure unit



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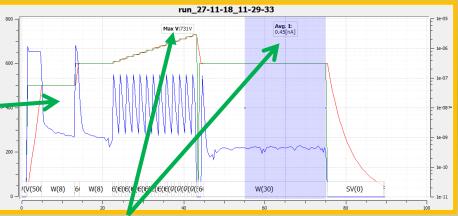


### Technology Transfer Step 5: Quality control: define parameters!





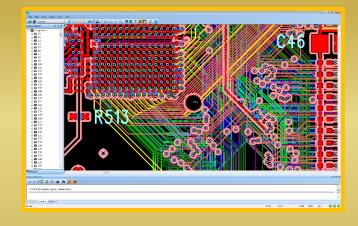
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Leakage current below 1nA@100cm2 @600V @30 %HR



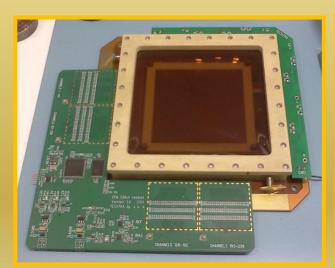
### Technology Transfer Step 6: Look for new applications:



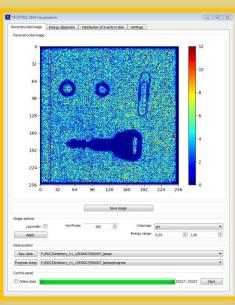


Design and prototyping

Techtra is the only commercial producer of GEM detectors



Commercially available product

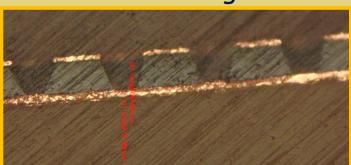


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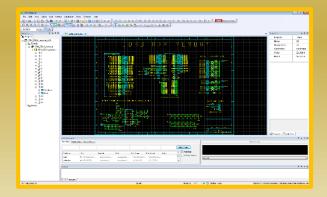
### 2. Techtra's competences



- 1. Techtra has mastered all techniques for GEMs production:
  - 1. Copper etching on thin copper layers with precision of +/- 2um
  - 2. Kapton etching in kapton layer with precisior of +/- 2um at "double" and "single mask technique:"



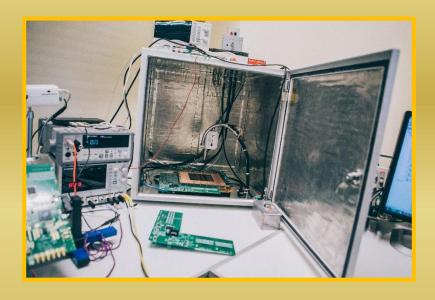
3. Dedicated electronic readout for detectors:







4. Validation detectors with small X-ray tube:



5. We are participating in few UE projects.

We are very willing to cooperate in R&D and commercialization for Resistive Coatings for Gaseous Detectors.



# Summary:

### Technology Transfer issues:

- 1. Legal issues are critical for companies. That needs time!
- 2. Production chain: techniques (MCV....), consumables (Kapton, DLC coating...), transport, validation and installation.
- 3. Tuning a collaboration with PCB Industry needs time, if you need kapton etching technology you can:
  - > do a technology transfer
  - > start a cooperation with: CERN, Techtra, Mecaro, TechEtch, Micropack ...
- 4. Find an additional applications of your device
- 5. Look for external funding...... everything costs more than you expect

## Our Core GEM-team

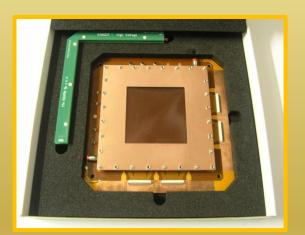




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