

Update on Cu Motherboard cleaning protocols

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Outline

- I. R&D of Copper cleaning Protocol for Darkside Motherboards
- II. Copper Components transport and manipulation

R&D of Copper Cleaning Protocol for Darkside Mother boards

4 Squared samples from the same batch of copper motherboards

1. Reference sample: Standard CUORE Protocol (TECM) ($E=100 \mu\text{m}$)

2. Test Sample 1: TEC ($E=100 \mu\text{m}$)

3. Test Sample 2: CIEC ($E=100 \mu\text{m}$)

4. Test Sample 3: CIEC ($E=50 \mu\text{m}$)

- T=Tumbling
- E=ElectroPolishing
- C=Chemistry
- M=Plasma Cleaning
- C1=Chemical Pre-Cleaning

Legnaro Cleaning Plants:

Physical-Chemical Treatments:

- Barrel Polishing (Tumbling)
- Chemical and Electrochemical Treatments

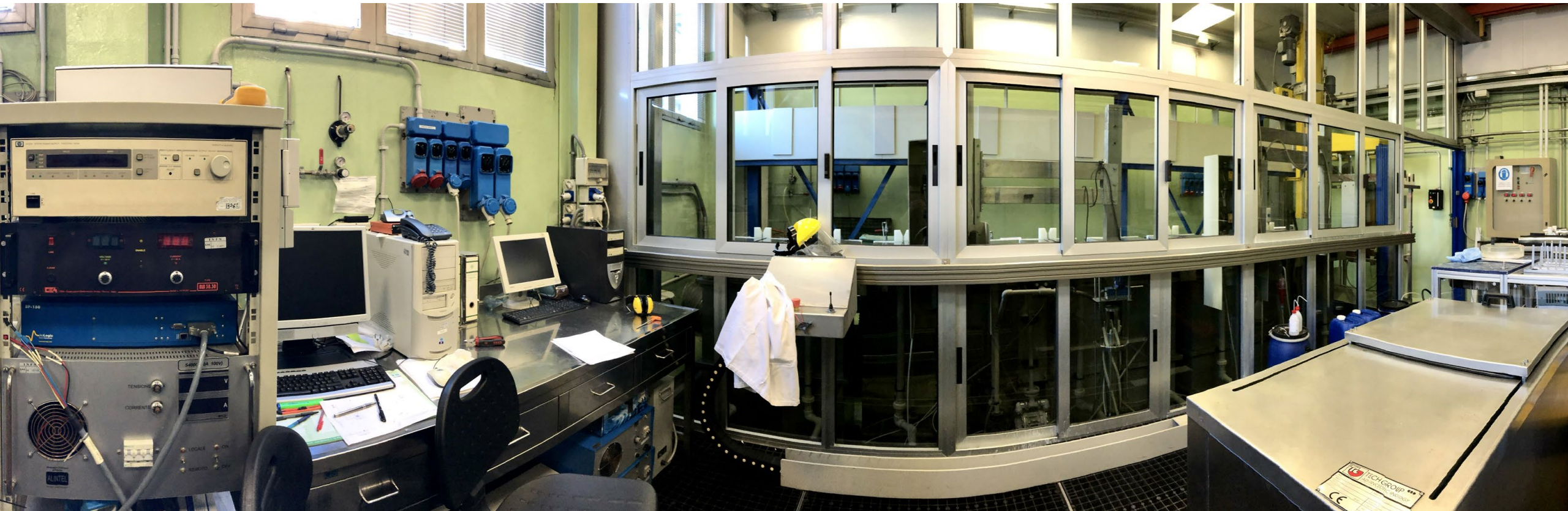


Chemical Plant

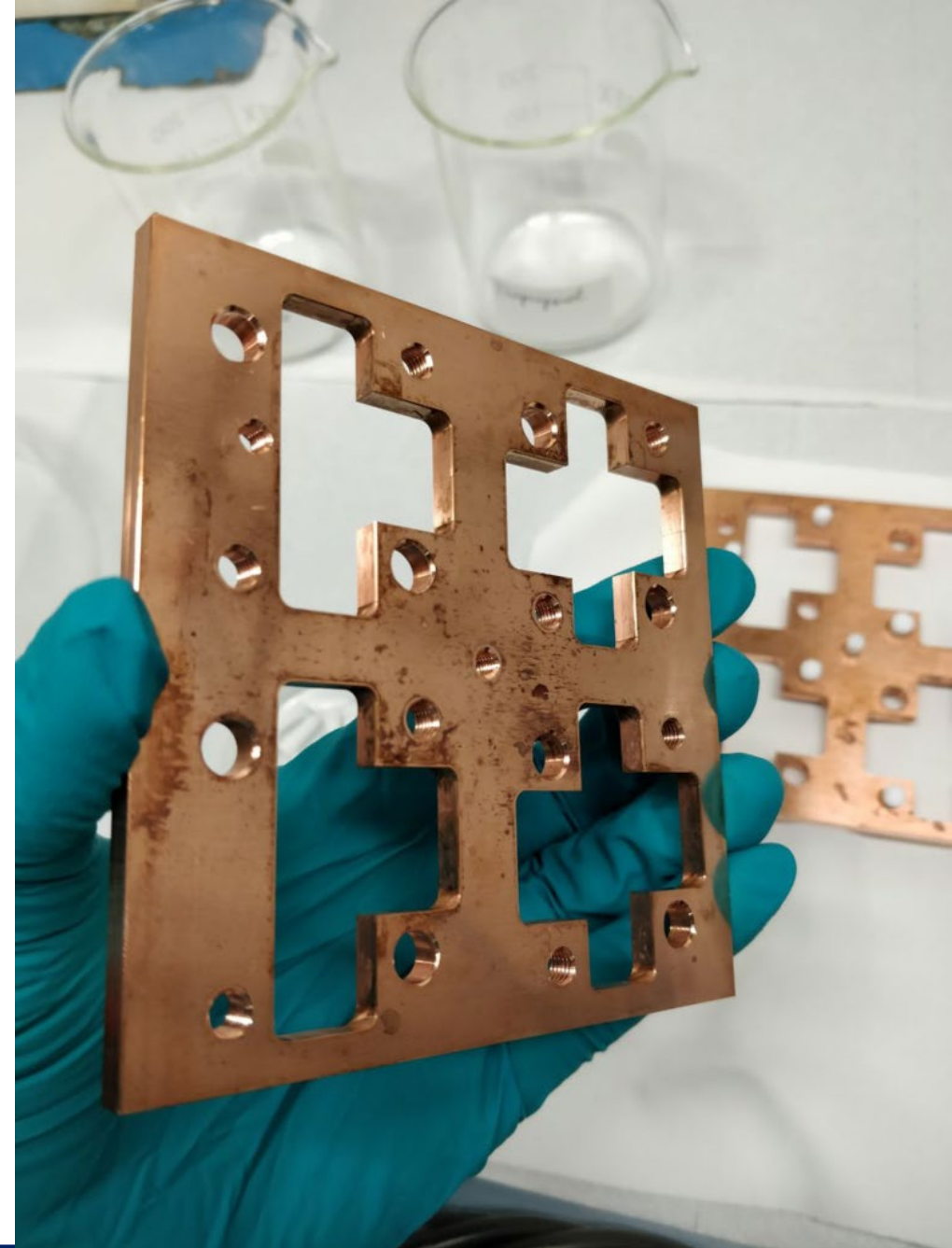
- Physical Vapour Deposition (Sputtering and Plasma Cleaning)

Coating and
Plasma Cleaning
Plant

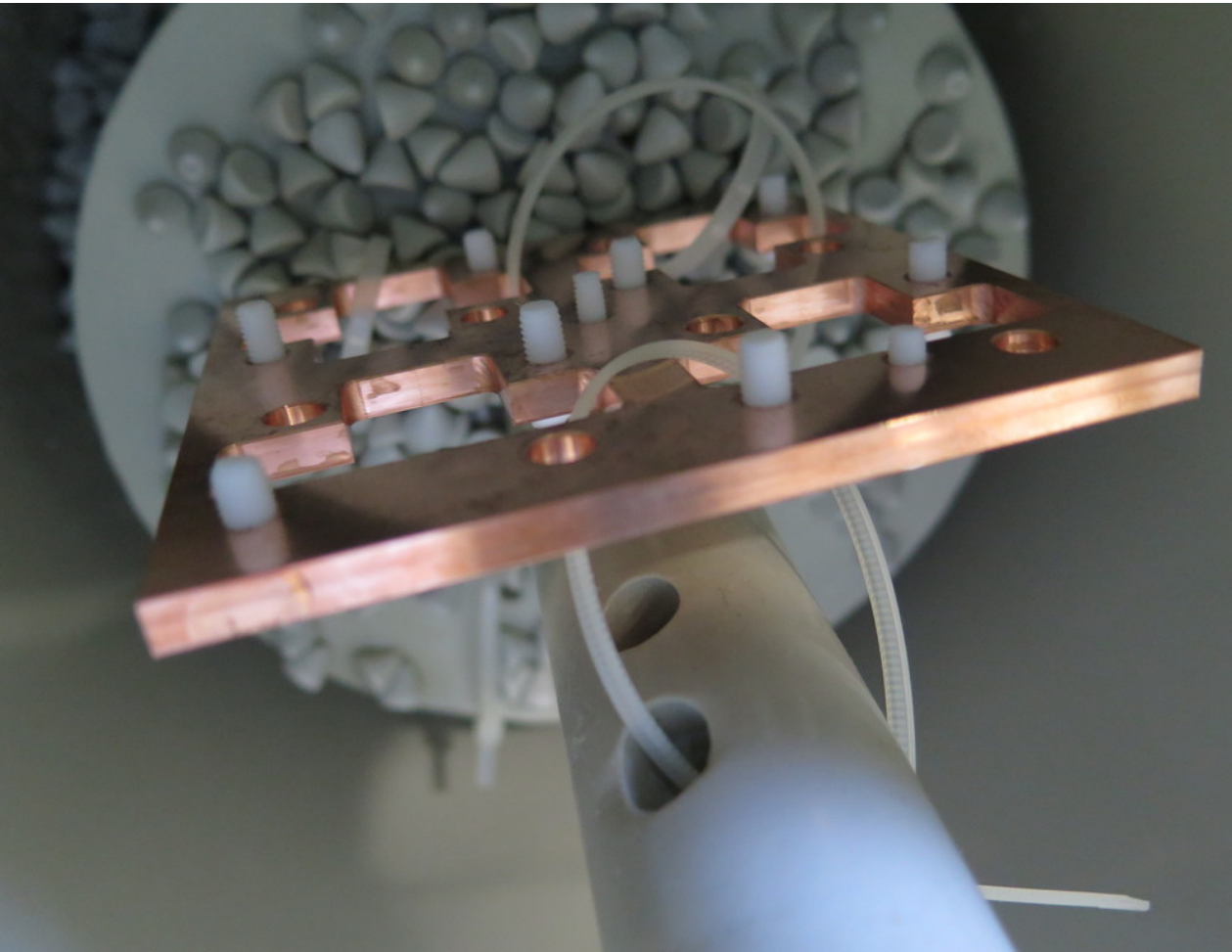
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Sample from Motherboard

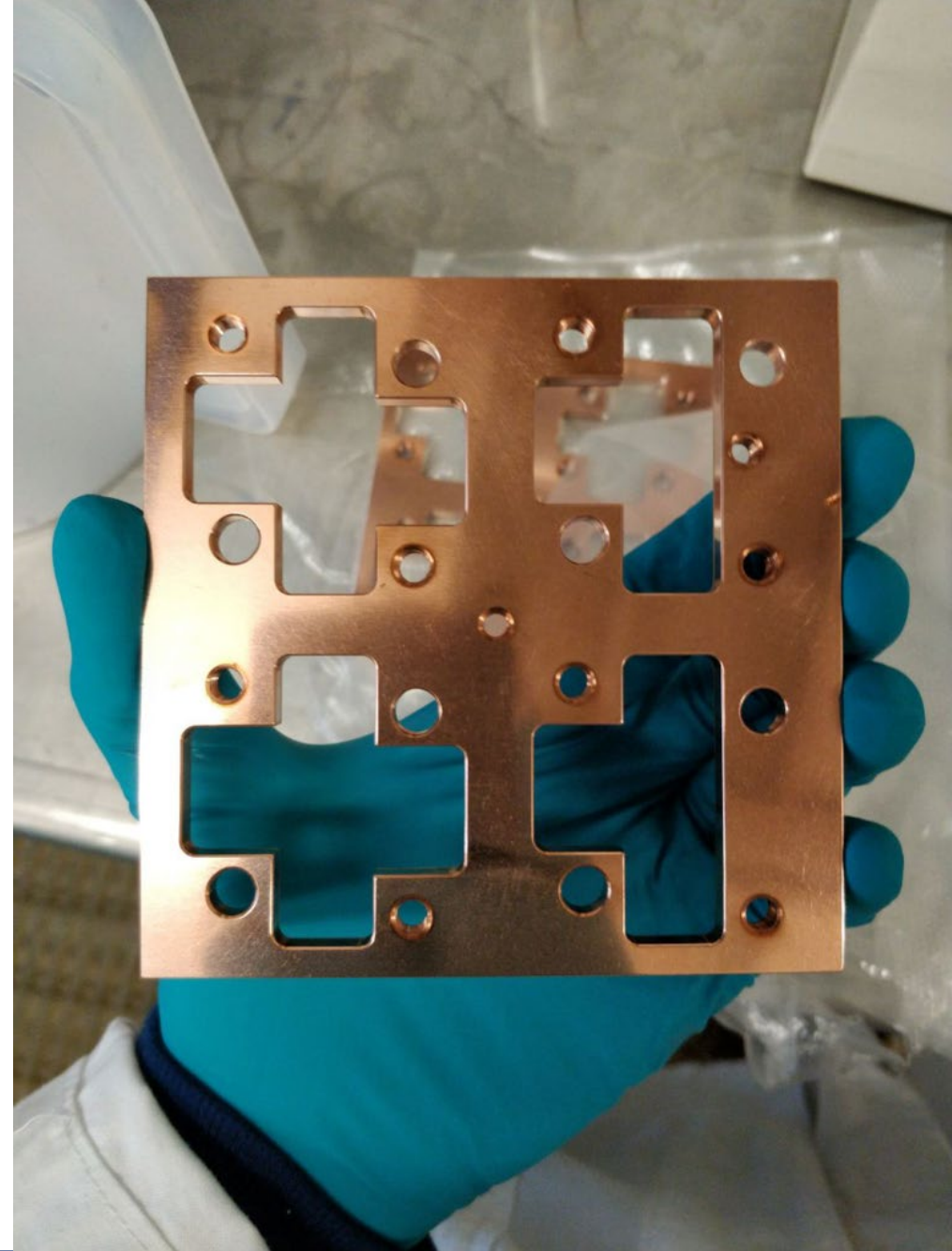


Tumbling (Mechanical polishing)

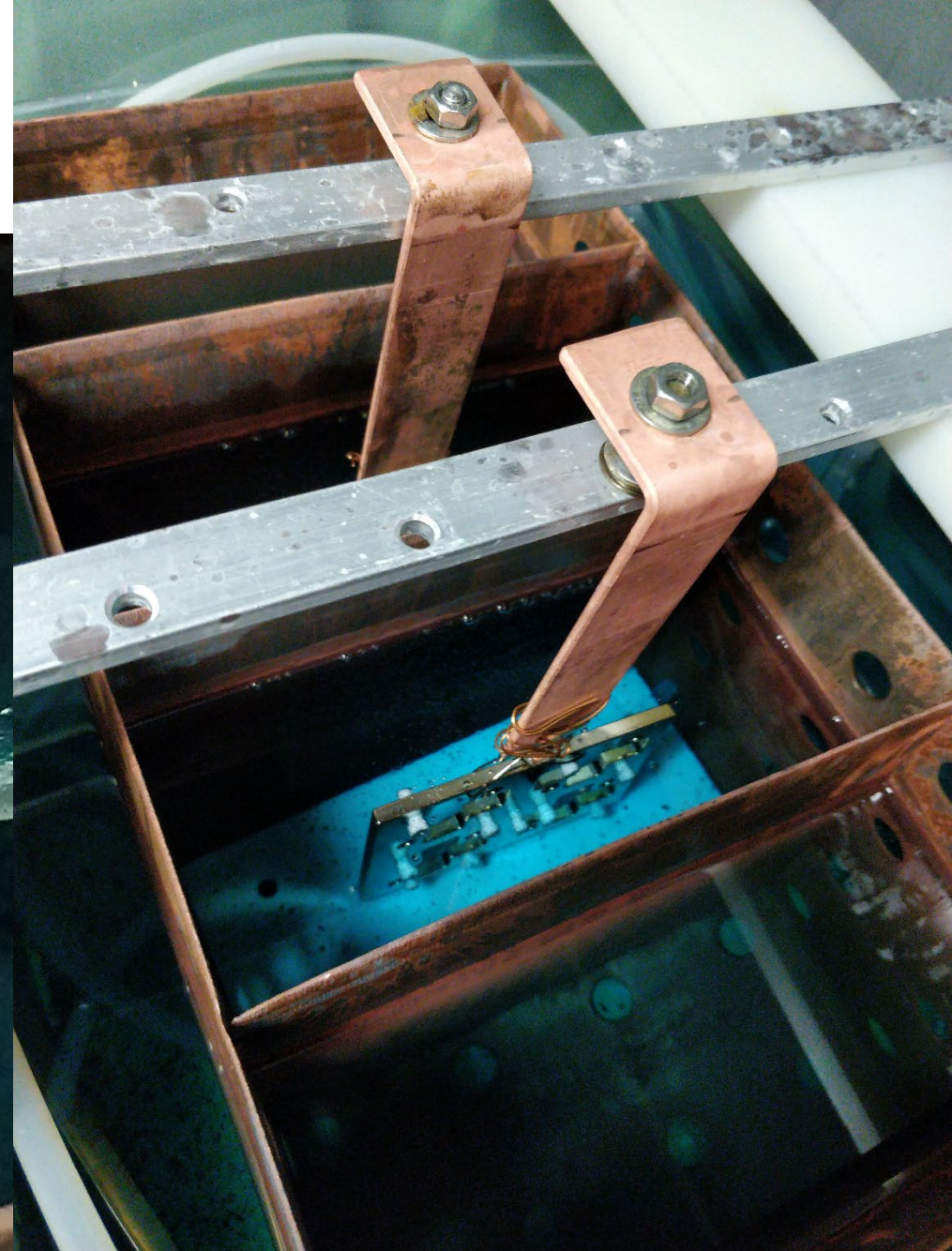


Alumina powder in epoxidic matrix cones

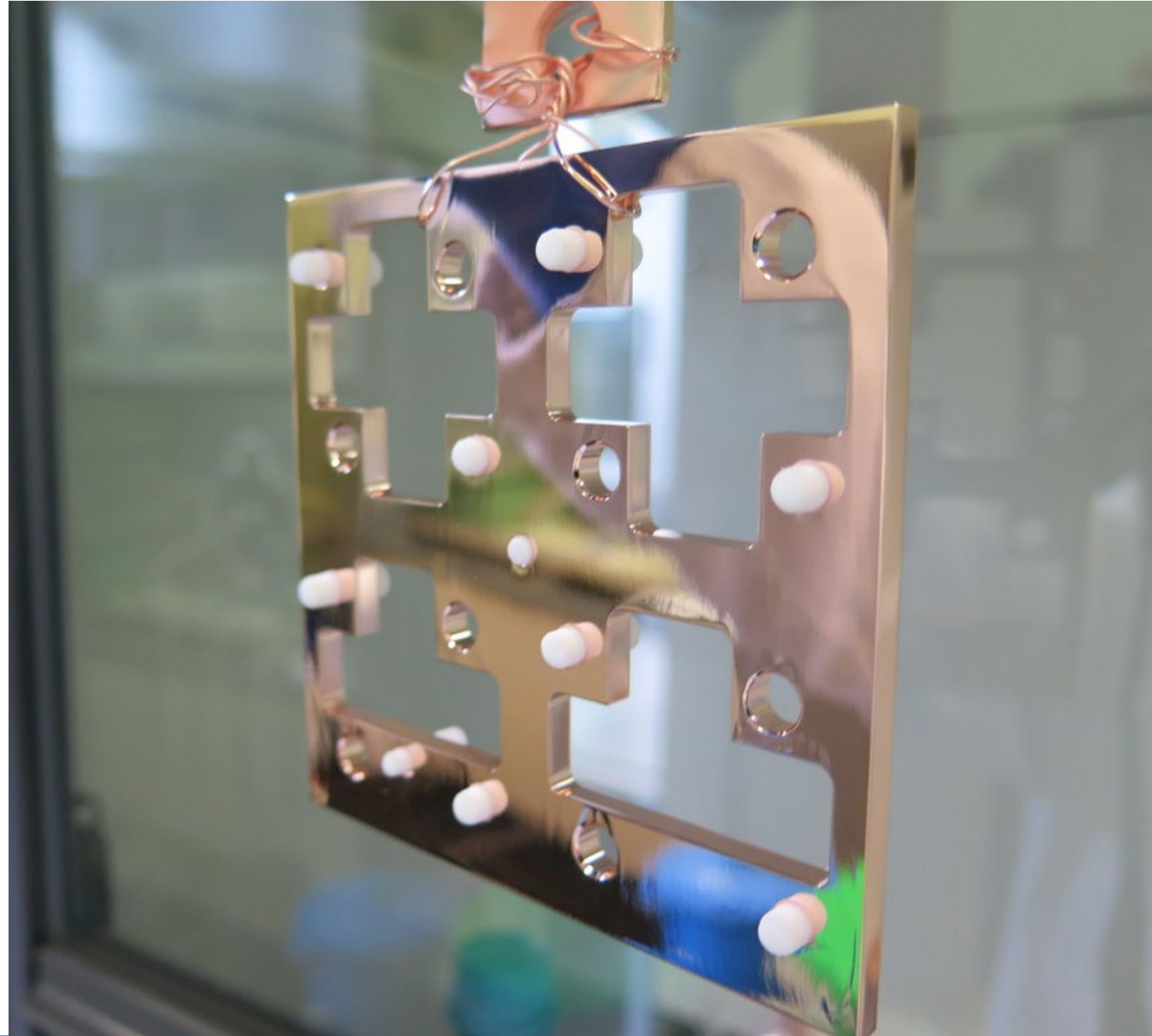
Sample After Tumbling



Electrochemical Polishing



Sample After Electropolishing



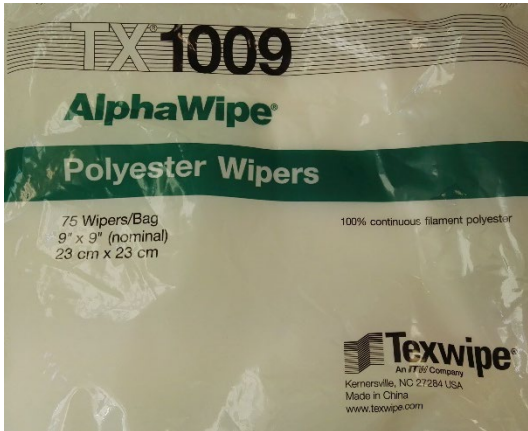
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Plasma Polishing

Work in Progress

Copper Components Transport and Manipulation



Prevention of Recontamination during the cleaning process:

1. Manipulation with double gloves (Class 100 clean room gloves + polyethylene gloves)
2. Manipulation with Alpha Wipe TX1009 tissue 100% continuous filament polyester
3. Storage in single polyethylene bag under vacuum (during the intermediate steps of cleaning)
4. Cosmogenic activation limited to 90 days
5. Final storage in N2 fluxed cabinet

NB: The vacuum pump (Reber 9700N) for vacuum packaging is a commercial electrical appliance for food storage under vacuum but commissioned with option **oil and grease free**. These appliances are frequently replaced due to the absence of lubrication on mechanic parts.

Qualitycontrol

*It is mandatory to insert after each step of the production cleaning protocol **quality control**:*

1. Raw Material analysis (physical properties).
2. Chemical solution analysis.
3. Deionised water analysis.
4. Analysis on copper test samples after each cleaning treatment (radiopurity).

Copper Components transport and manipulation

Transport between the cleaning plant and the storage plant:

1. Not air freight
2. Triple plastic bags under vacuum. The packaging is made in a clean room class 1000 and collected inside a plastic box under vacuum too.
3. Cu transport logistic was organized to minimize the cosmogenic activation
4. Database with bar codes for every component to collect all the cleaning passages before the installation.

Historical Database of transport and process of each component

It is mandatory the database creation to classify the production steps of each component:

1. Material Supplying.
2. Mechanical Machining.
3. Surface cleaning protocol.
4. Transport.
5. Storage.

Abatement Function F_a related with time exposure and number of bags

$$F_a = \frac{\text{Po210 activity (in plastic bags PET)}}{\text{Po210 activity (Radon atmosphere)}}$$

| Sample | Exposure [d] | F_{ab} |
|---------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Copper 1 bag | 67 | > 0.970 |
| Copper 2 bags | 63 | > 0.973 |
| Copper 3 bags | 56 | > 0.973 |
| Copper 1 bag | 1080 | 0.994 ± 0.015 |
| Copper bare | 1080 | 0 |

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