

Ultra-Thin Glass as a High Performance Substrate

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We are committed to managing our business in a sustainable manner and supporting our employees, society and the environment.



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glass made of ideas

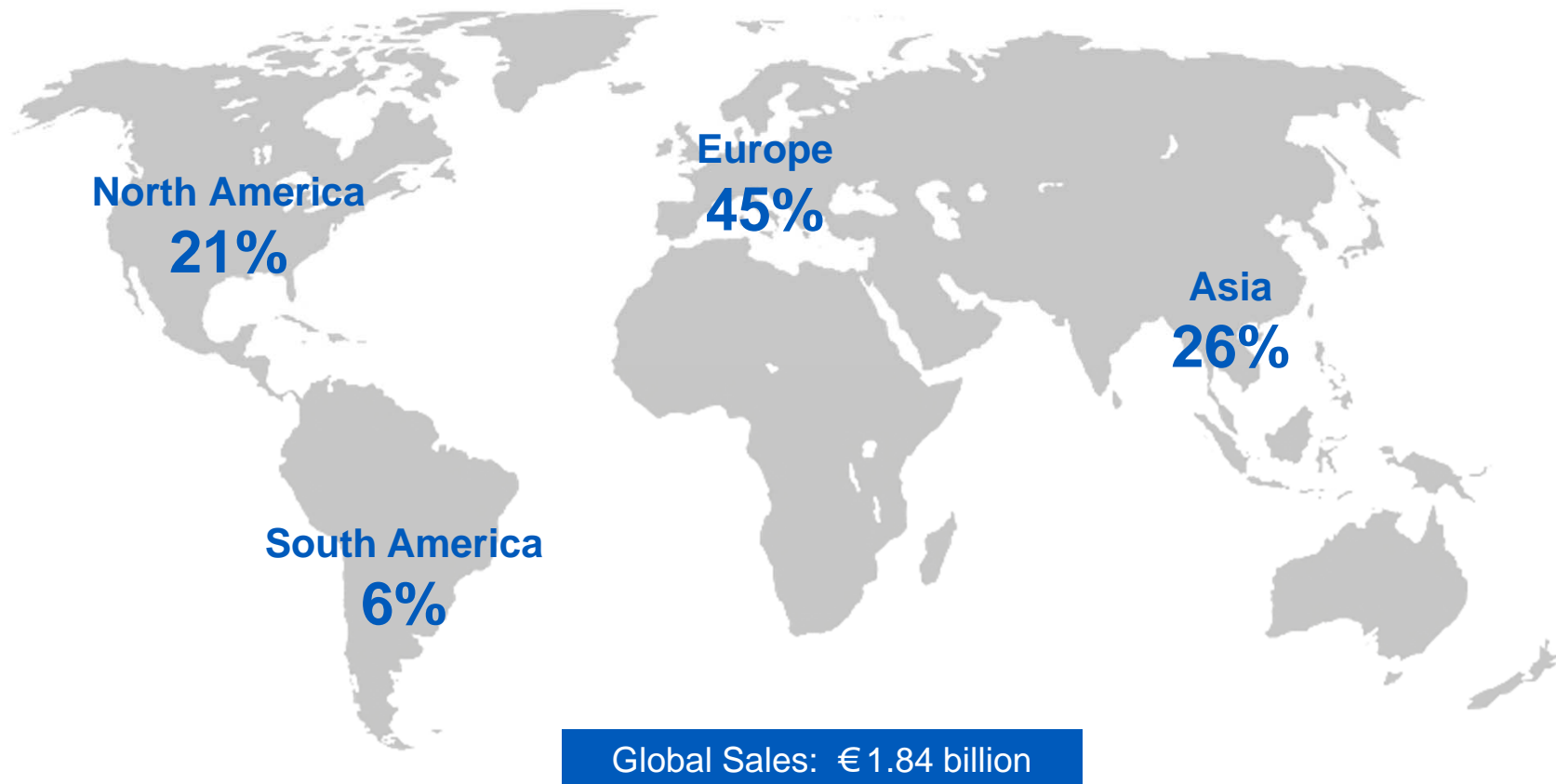
Key Figures

Fiscal Year 2012/13

€ 1.84 billion	Worldwide sales, 85 % of which was generated outside Germany
€ 118 million	EBIT
€ 122 million	Capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment
15,400	Employees, 5,300 of whom are based in Germany
In 35 countries	Production sites and sales offices

Sales by Region

Fiscal Year 2012/13



R&D: Innovation Leadership the Key to Maintaining our Market positions.

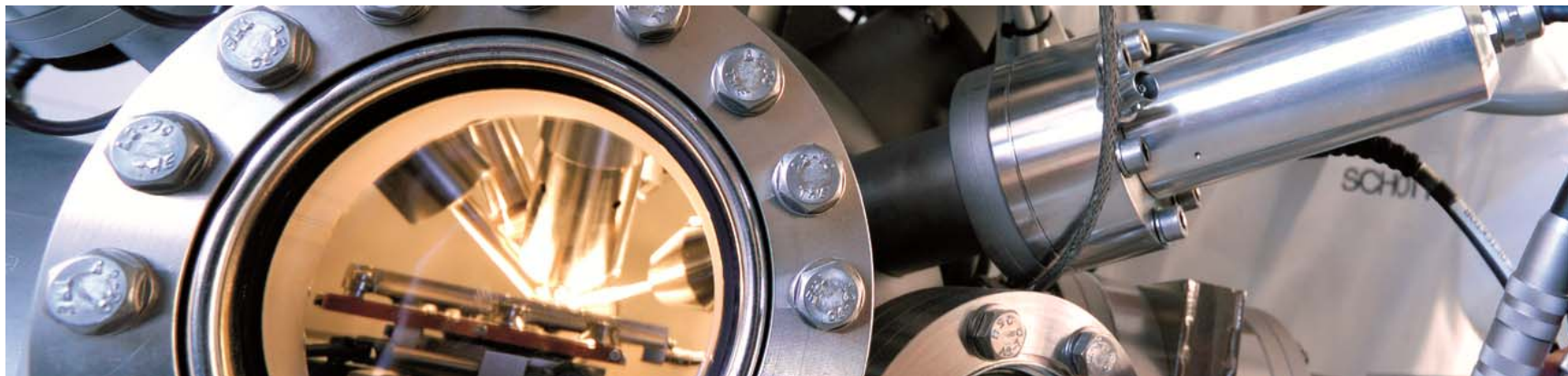
A global network with more than 600 R&D employees all over the world

- The Otto Schott Research Center in Mainz
- The Development Center in Duryea, Pennsylvania (USA)
- Technical Support Centers in Europe, North America and Asia

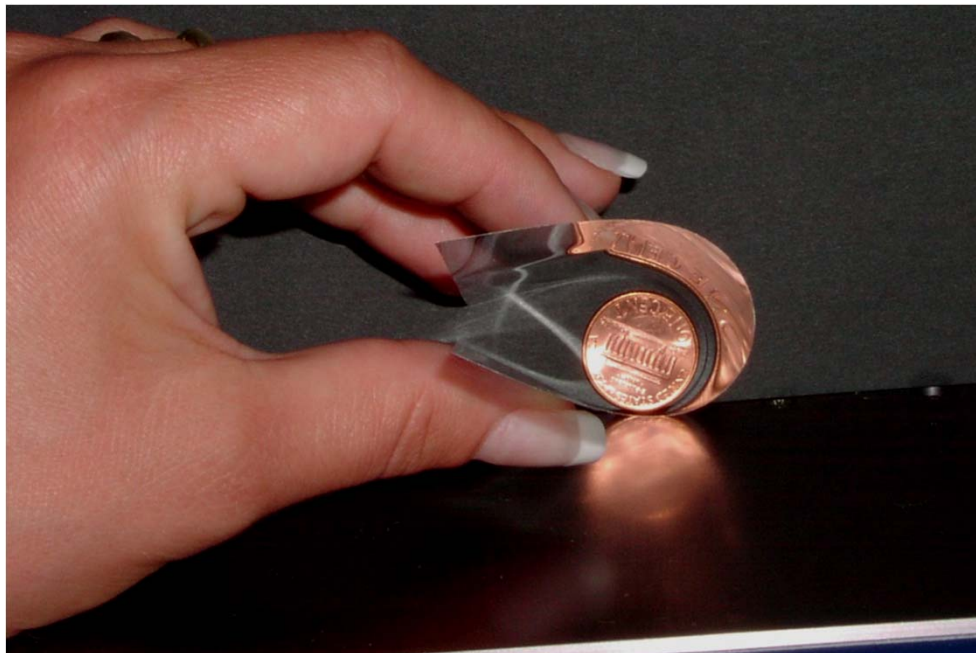
Main focuses of development work

- New and improved glasses and glass-ceramics
- Process development in the areas of melting and hot forming
- Coating technologies
- Application development

*New product rate:
over 30 % of sales*



More than 10 years experience with Ultra-Thin Glass melting, hot forming and processing.



Initial publications/ conference presentations

- Thin Glass Polymer Systems as Substrates for Displays, SID 2002
- Ultra-Thin Flexible Glass Substrates, MRS 2003
- Processing Flexible Glass Sheets, Flexible Microelectronics&Displays Conference, USDC, 2004

Ultrathin Glass: Substrate for Thin, Flexible and Printable Electronics.

Mega trends

Energy



Urbanization



Mobility



"Smart" Technology



Materials



Infrastructure



Tech trends

Flex. /Printed Electronics



OLED



OPV



Advanced batteries



IC 3D Integration

Ultrathin Glasses (<100um)

Ultrathin glass properties

1	2	3	4	5
Flexible, rollable	Lightweight, thin	High chemical and thermal stab.	High transmission	High scratch and scrub resistance

New technical trends are generating demands for ultrathin glasses.

Ultra-Thin Glass as a high performance material with potential to substitute various substrates.

Polymer

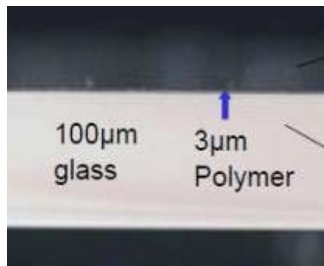
- + Low density & light weight
- + Low Young's modulus & flexible
- + Unbreakable & easy to handle
- Low gas / water barrier
- Low thermal tolerance

Glass

- + Smooth surface
- + Good gas / water barrier
- + Low CTE & good thermal tolerance
- + Good transmittance
- Brittle & difficult handling

Metal

- + Relatively low cost
- + Easy to handle
- + Good gas / water barrier
- + Good thermal tolerance
- + Low resistivity
- + High thermal conductivity
- Heavy
- Rough surface
- Not transparent



Laminate or Coating

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Glass/Polymer Composite

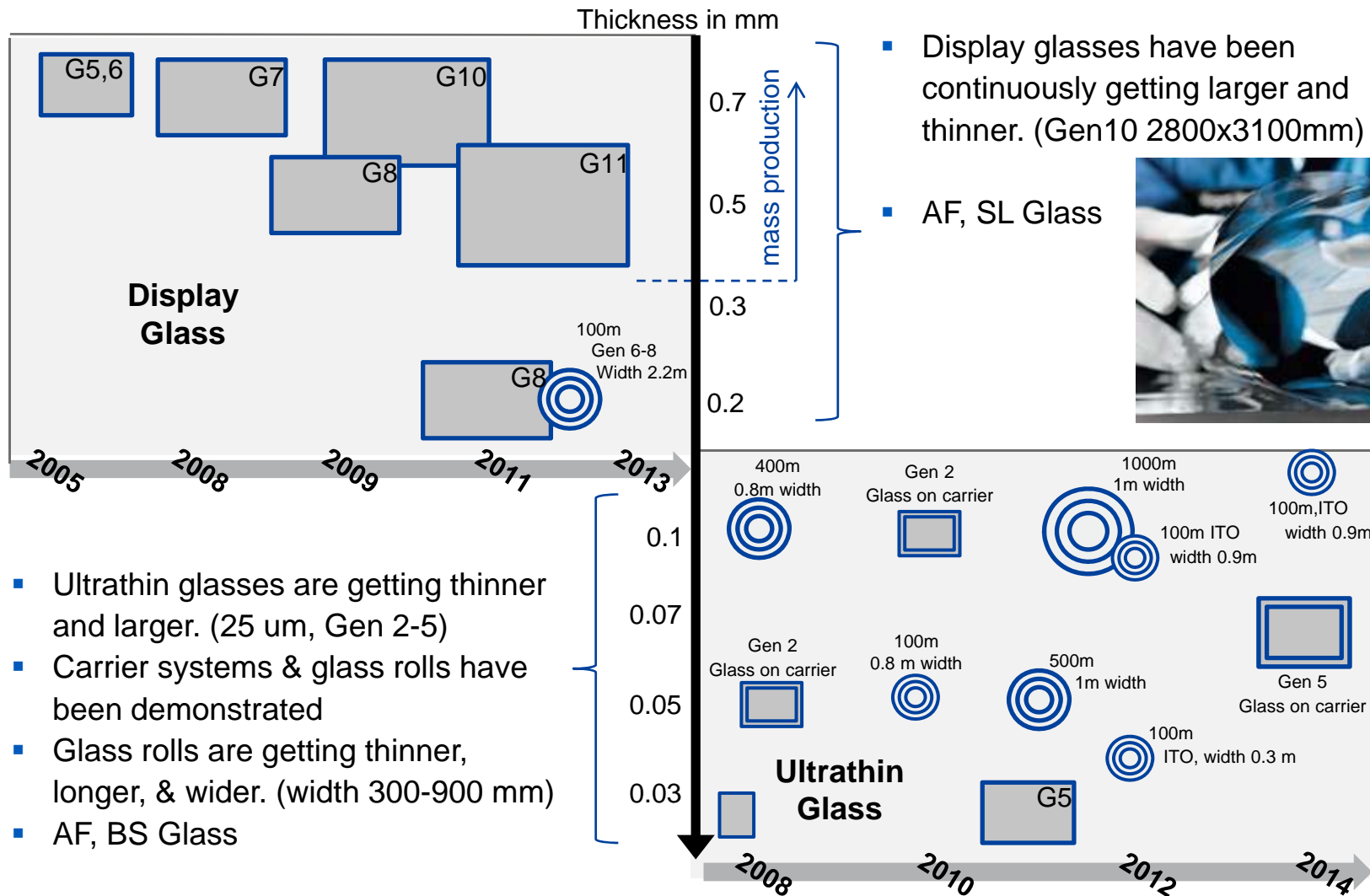
- + high breakage strength: Easy-to-handle
- + Good gas / water barrier
- + can be transparent

Glass/Metal Composite

- + high breakage strength: Easy-to-handle
- + High temperature tolerance
- + low surface roughness
- + Good chemical durability.

▶ Glass composite materials can combine advantages of different material types.

Key Development Trends of Thin Glasses for Electronics.



- Display glasses have been continuously getting larger and thinner. (Gen10 2800x3100mm)
- AF, SL Glass



- Ultrathin glasses are getting thinner and larger. (25 um, Gen 2-5)
- Carrier systems & glass rolls have been demonstrated
- Glass rolls are getting thinner, longer, & wider. (width 300-900 mm)
- AF, BS Glass

▶ Consumer electronics mass applications have driven thin glass development in the direction of larger and thinner to increase productivity and functional performance.

Various application fields of Printed/Flexible Electronics possible.

OLED Displays



Source: AndroidPIT,

OLED Lighting



Source: "LEDs Magazine" by Laura Peters,

Thin Film Solar Cells/OPV



Source: Sun Flare Systems

Thin Film Batteries



Source: KAIST,

Thin Film Capacitors



Source: "SeanBreedon.com"

Touch Sensors



Source: "Solid State Technology®"

Printed Circuits



Source: Printed s.r.o.

RFID



Source: Fujitsu

EPD

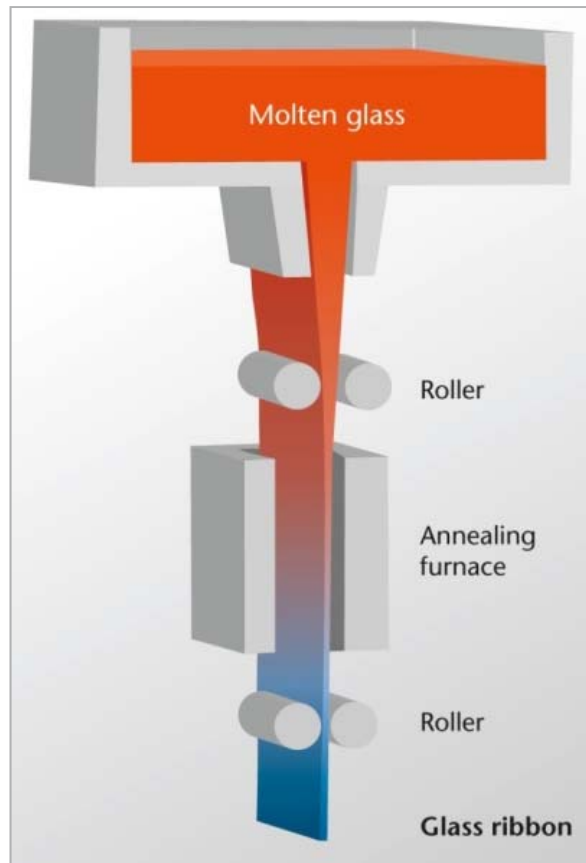


Source: "TabTimes" by Doug Drinkwater,

▶ Ultrathin glasses can be used as substrates and encapsulation solution in different fields of printed and flexible electronic applications.

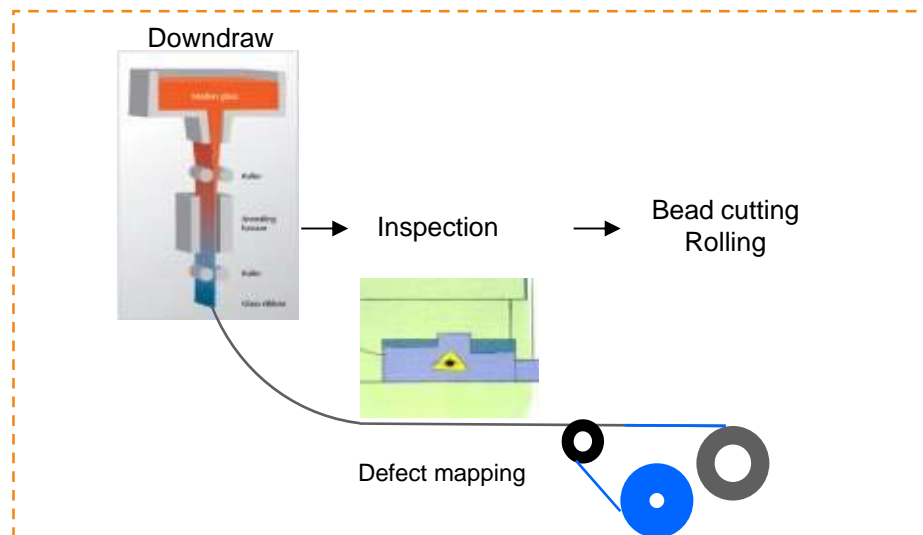
SCHOTT uses the Down-Draw technology – Most preferred for producing glass with thicknesses lower than 100 μm .

Down-draw process

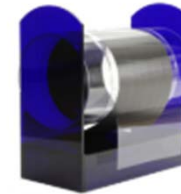


Ultra-Thin Glass is produced on roll and on sheets.

- Glasses with thickness below 100µm, down to 25µm
- Produced with down-draw process in rolls and sheets
- Compatible with roll to roll (R2R), roll to sheet (R2S) as well as sheet to sheet (S2S) process



- Glass on roll



- Cut-to-size sheets



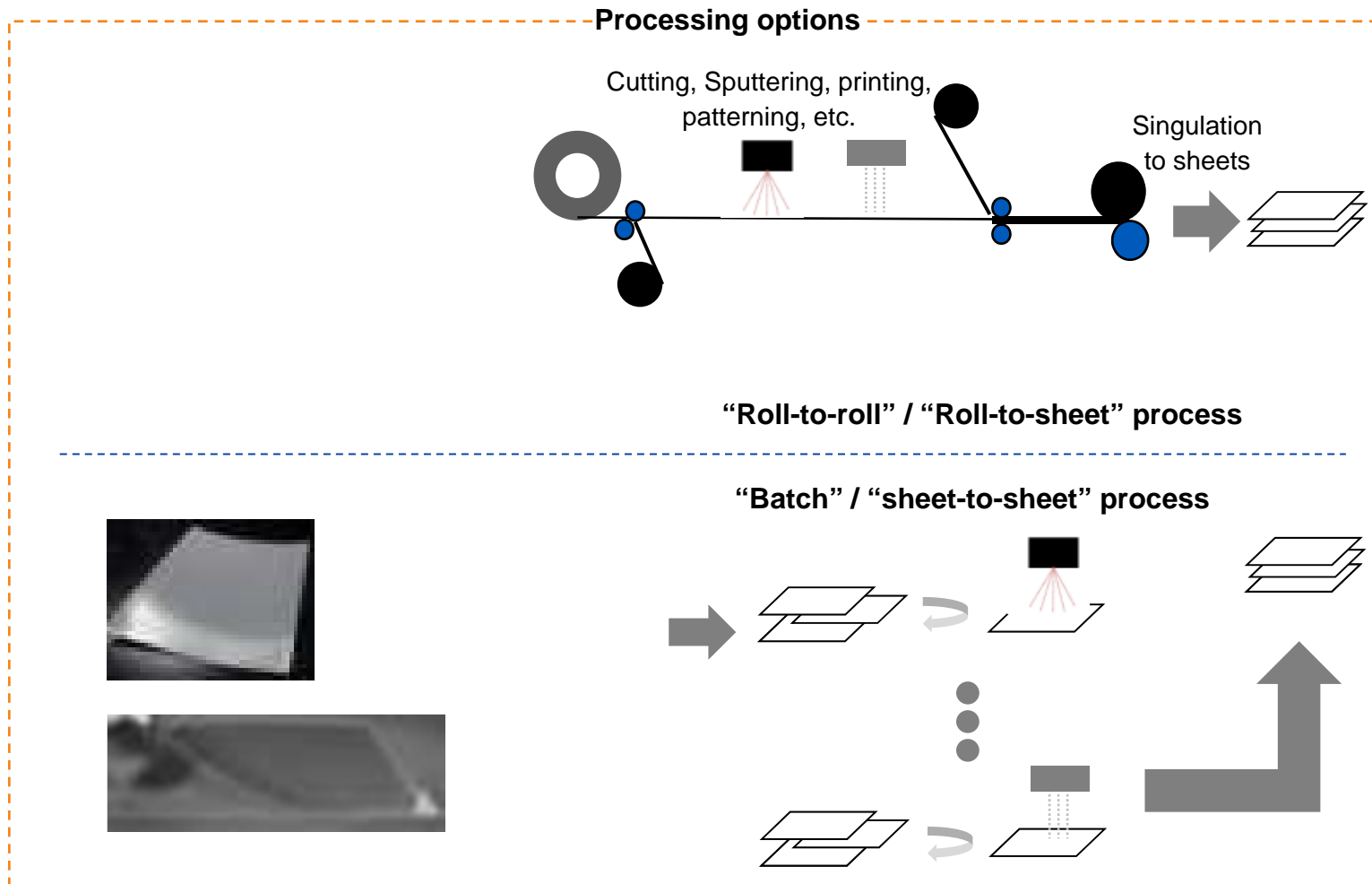
- Cut-to-size sheets on carrier glass



Packaged & shipped to customers

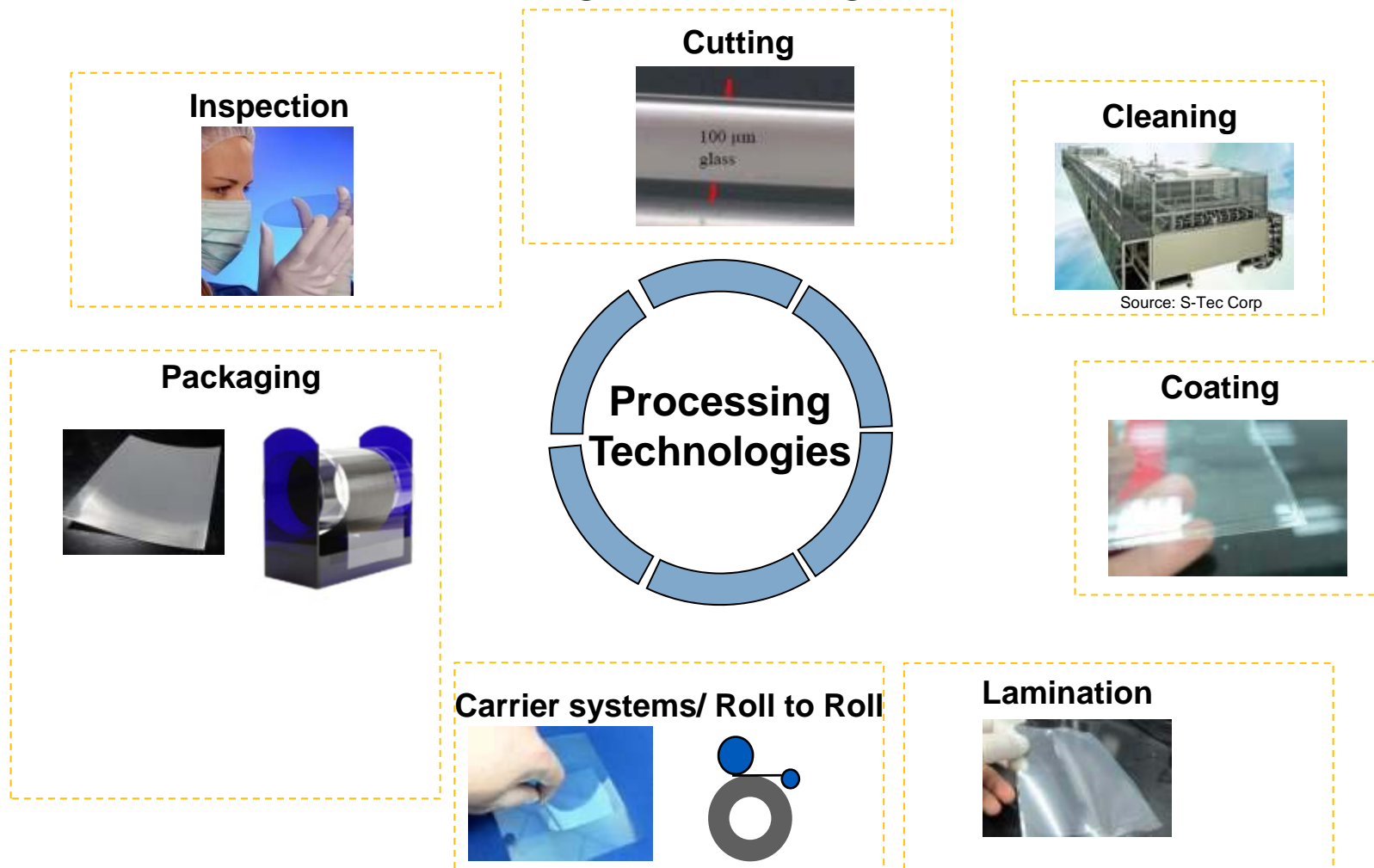
Ultrathin glasses are produced as rolls and can be further processed for “roll to roll”, “roll to sheet”, or “sheet to sheet” processes.

Processing in R2R, R2S and S2S possible.



▶ Up to now, no standard processes for ultrathin glass exists. Typically processes are customized and have to be specifically developed and adjusted.

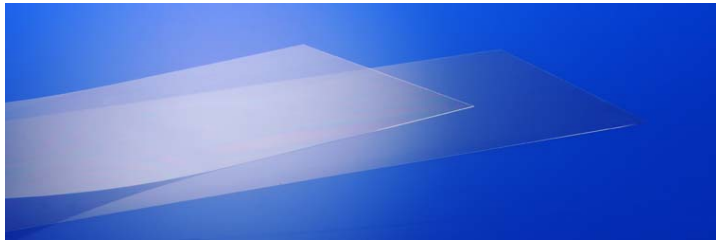
Ultrathin Glass Processing Technologies / Tool box.



▶ Processing technologies are the key enablers of usage of ultrathin glass in printed electronics. Handling of ultrathin glasses in the production processes is a key challenge.

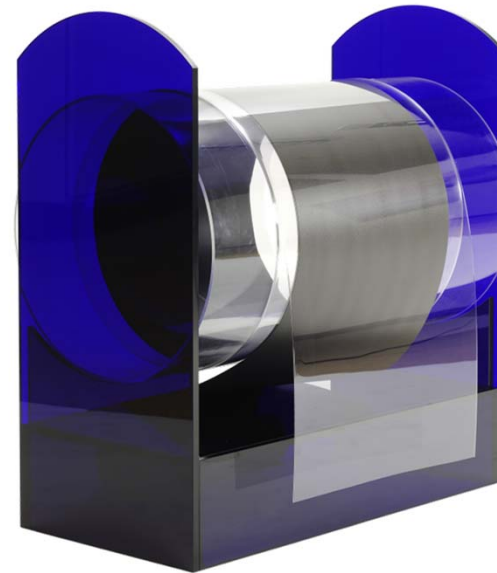
Ultra-thin and flexible glass from SCHOTT AG is available as cut-to-size sheet and on roll.

Glass sheet



- **D263 Borosilicate Glass/ AF32eco alkaline-free glass**
- **Nominal thickness: 25, 50, 70, 100 micron**
- **Gross width up to 600 mm**
- **Cut-to-size format**

Glass roll



- **AF32eco alkaline-free glass**
- **Nominal thickness: 50 micron**
- **Gross width up to 600 mm**
- **Standard length on roll: 10- 500 m**
- **Several kilometers of various glass thicknesses successfully rolled and unrolled**
- **Rolls shipped to customers**

Latest developments of SCHOTT Ultra Thin Glass with significant product innovations.

- Glass on roll 640mm net width (w/o beads) by mid 2014 – significant increase of glass ribbon width
- R2R bead cutting process in ramp-up at production site in Germany
- R2R lamination process under development
- Sheet processing capabilities already available – Lamination, bonding/ de-bonding, etc.
- ... more about to come.



SCHOTT Ultra-thin glass serves its customers with local engineering and processing.

Local hubs for application engineering and processing

