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Assessment in Laser Based Manufacturing



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- Collaborative project of 7th Framework Programme (large integrated project)
- Call: FP7-2013-NMP-ICT-FOF “Factories of the Future”
- Objective: FoF-ICT-2013.7.2 Equipment assessment for sensor and laser based applications

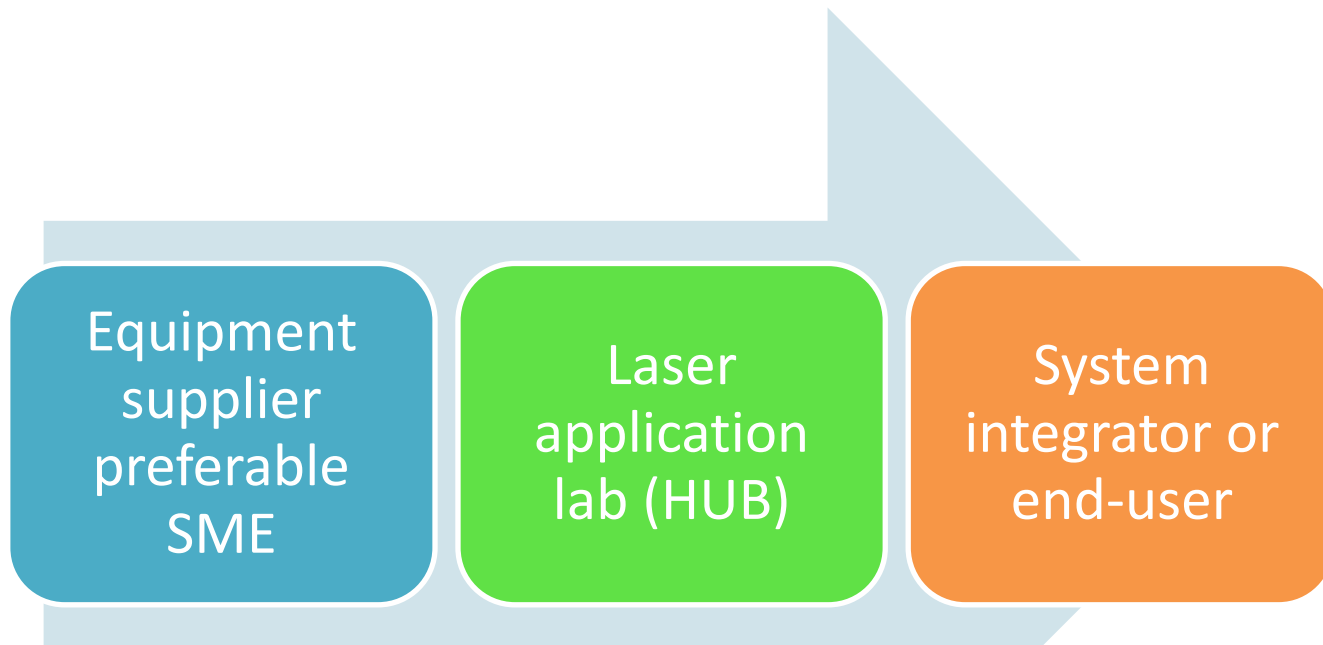
- **APPOLO**
- Hub of **Application Laboratories** for Equipment Assessment in Laser Based Manufacturing

- **EC Grant Agreement N° 609355**
- **Start: 01 September, 2013;** **End: 31 August, 2017**
- **48 months**
- **Our efforts: 1112 PMs**
- **Total estimated budget: 14'007'330 €**
- **EC contribution: 10'999'954 €**

- **We are 22 partners from 9 countries (LT, BE, CH, DE, ES, FI, IS, IT, NL):**
 - Public research & universities 6
 - Industrial research 1
 - SMEs 12
 - Large 3

- New partner selection is in process after **the Open Competitive Call in 2015**

Reducing barrier to enter into market with new product
(equipment for laser-based manufacturing)

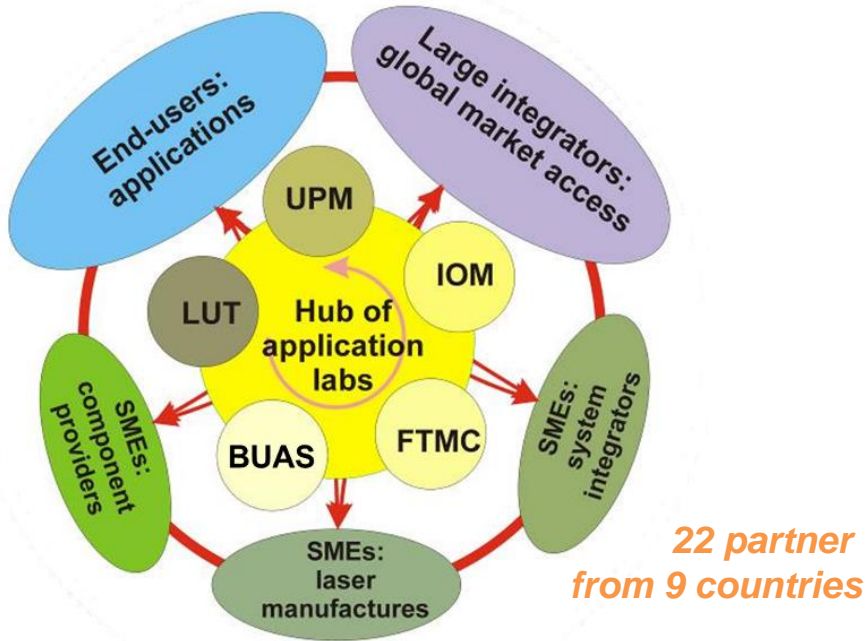


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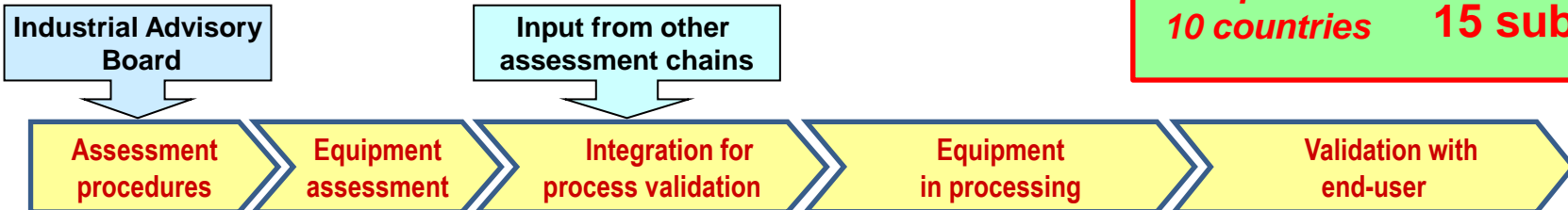


Goal of APPOLO: validation of laser based equipment for industrial applications

Core of the consortium – **laser application laboratories:**

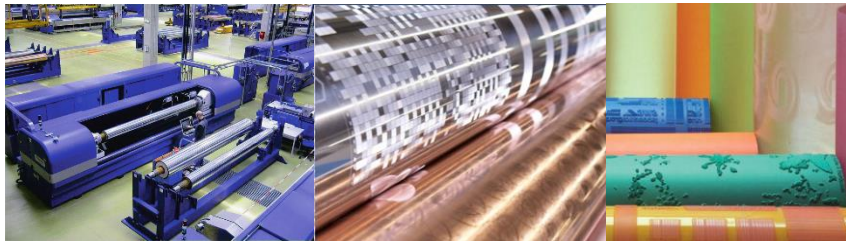
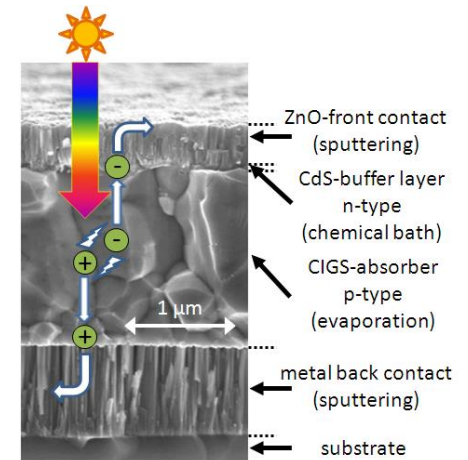
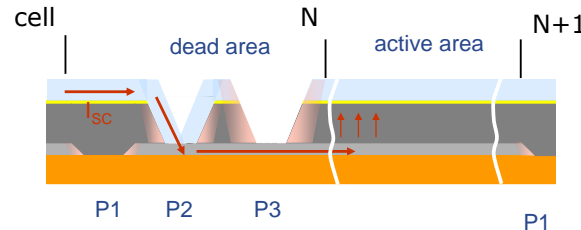
- around Europe;
- connected to a virtual hub, in order to
- accumulate knowledge and infrastructure
- promote the easy-to-access environment
- develop and validate of laser-based technologies in

8+ equipment assessment value chains



36 partner
10 countries **15 sub-projects**

■ Thin film CIGS solar cell scribing with picosecond lasers



■ Laser surface texturing

Current Enviromental monitor units



APPOLO concept



■ Laser patterning and direct writing for flexible 3D electronics



■ Parallel activities on sensing and monitoring techniques for processing and validation

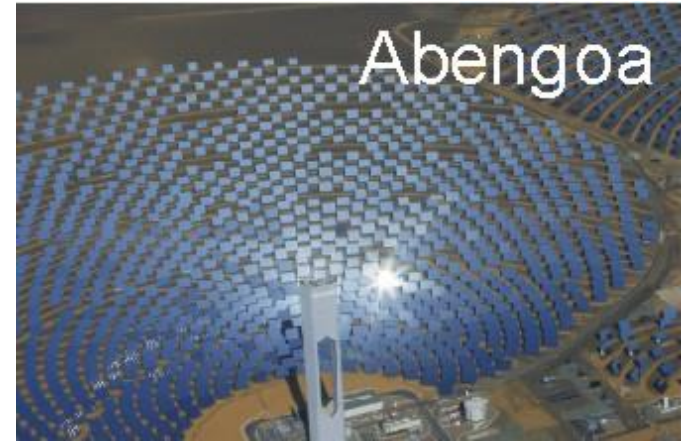
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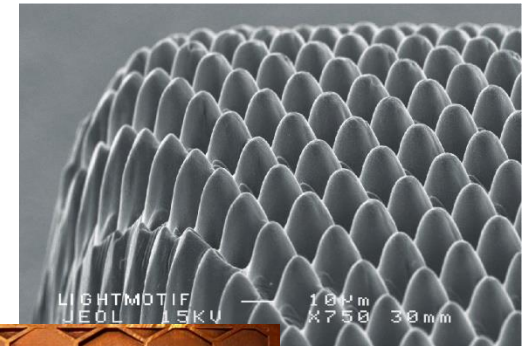


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Phase I Laser testing

Phase II Laser in process

Phase III Laser in process in industrial production environment



Schematic representation of the 3-stage assessment process in CIGS solar cell scribing

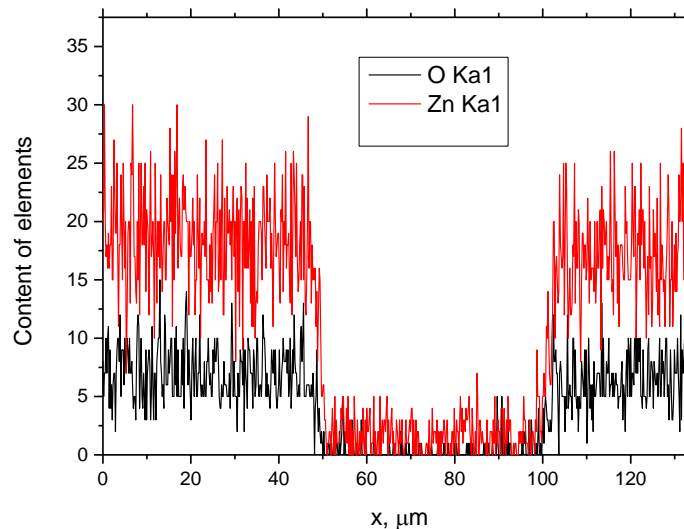
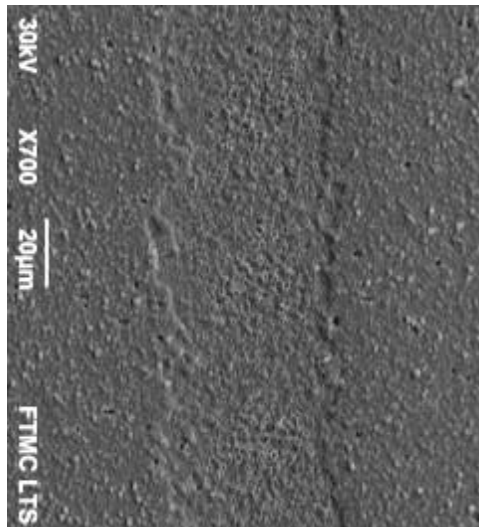


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P3 type scribe is used for isolation of the adjacent cells:

- ❑ Removal only the top-contact or the full structure up to the molybdenum back-contact.
- ❑ TCO removal requires less laser power and small laser pulse overlap.



EDS analysis



30 W, 1 MHz, 50 m/s, single pass

ps-laser and polygon scanner



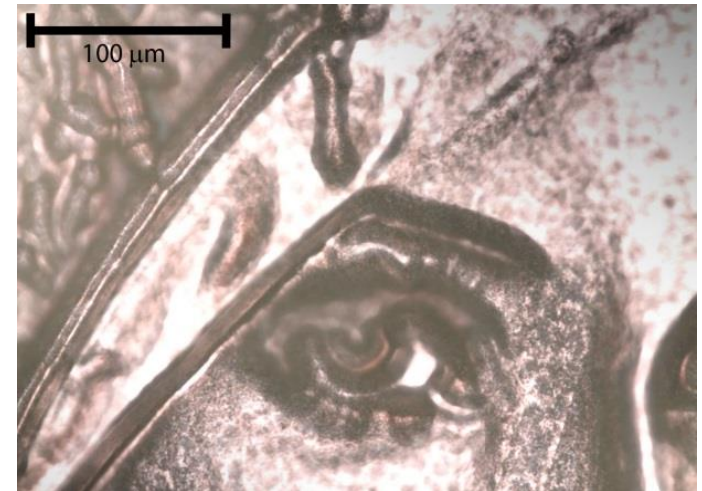
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- Slicing the grayscale image into a given number of levelled black and white images.
- The black and white images are then processed one by one.



Grayscale and black and white image



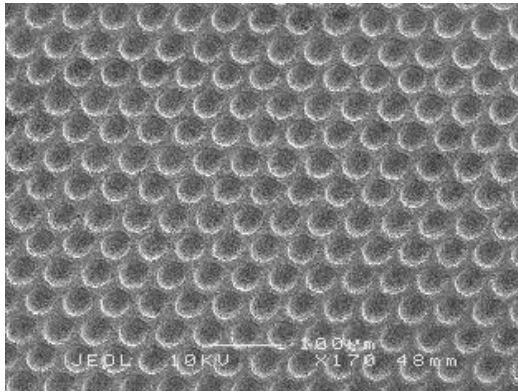
Detail of machined structure

Result with 100 slices at 532 nm, 1 MHz, 1.2 W and 3 µm pitch.

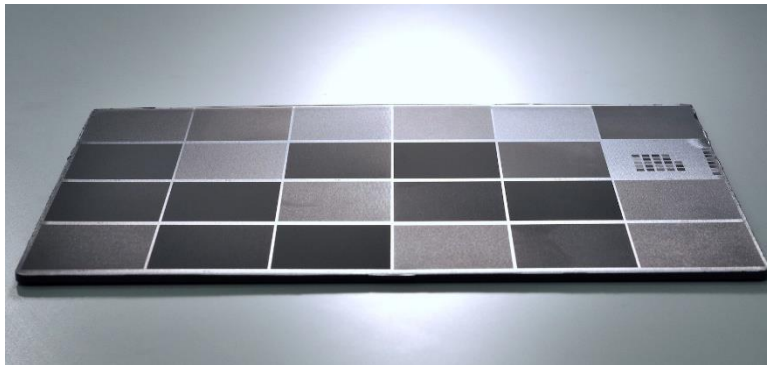
Image size on target is approximately 1.5x1.5 mm².

Processing time of one layer is 1.2 s and the overall process time is 2 minutes.

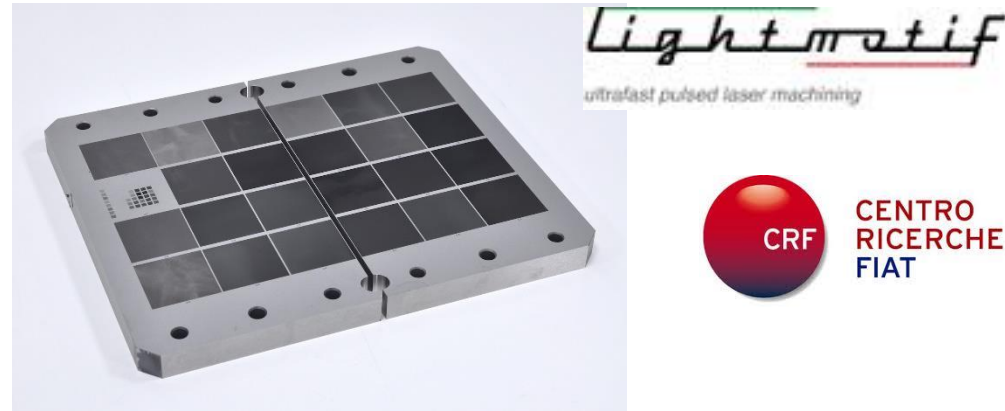
Laser texturing of moulds



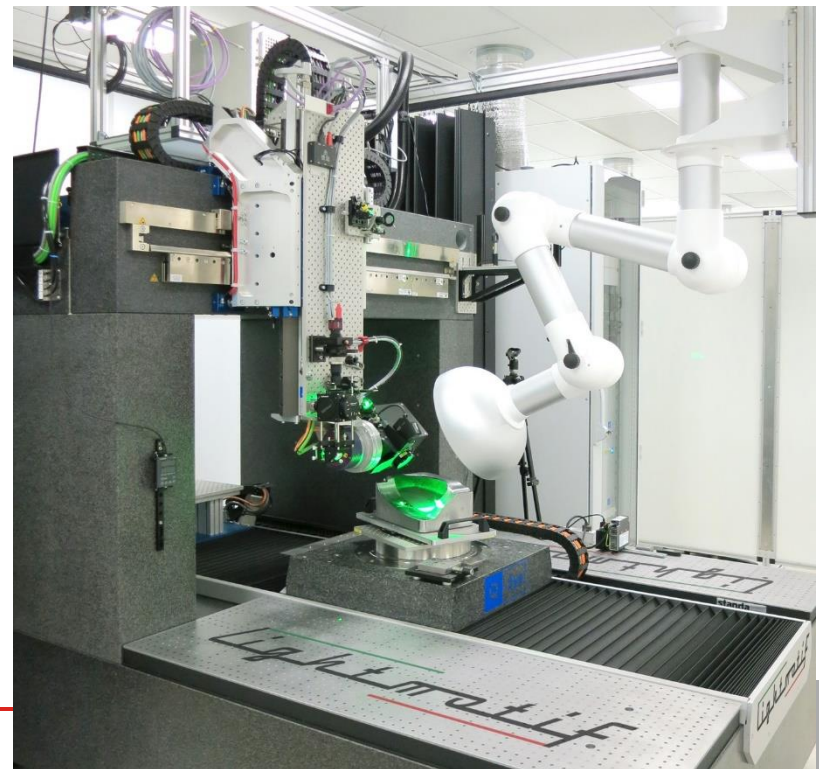
SEM measurements of one test texture



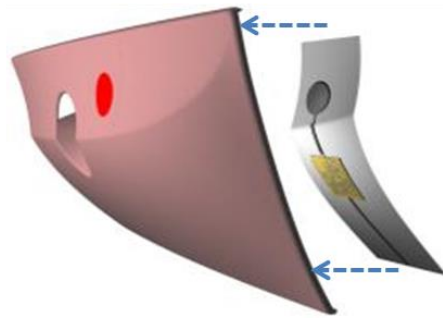
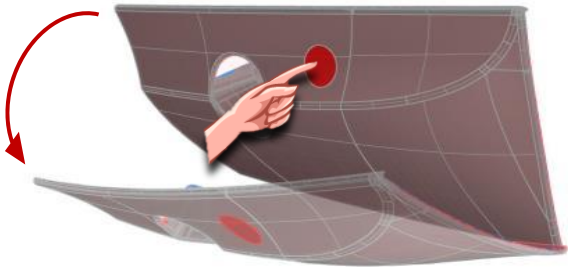
Demonstration of the anti-glare effect of the textures



Two laser textured mould inserts



Dashboard Electronic Design

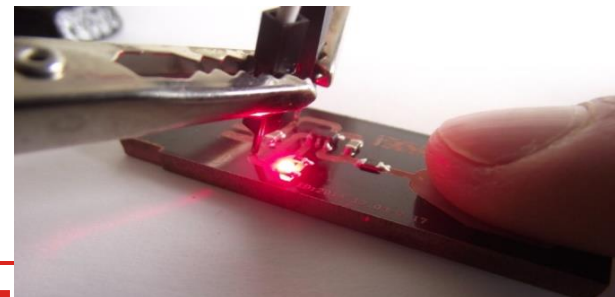
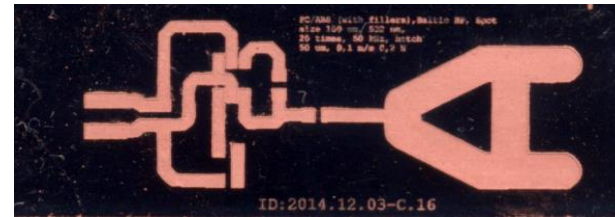


Laser surface modification
Electro-less copper plating

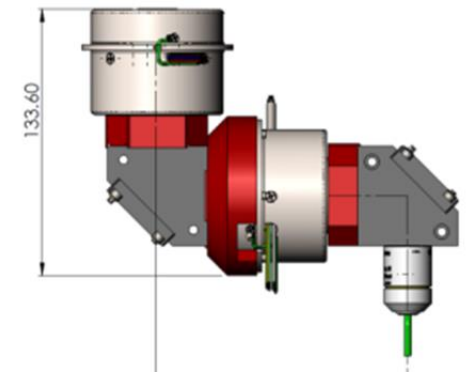


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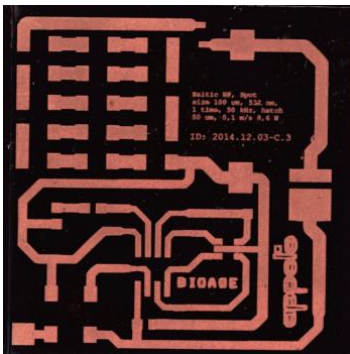
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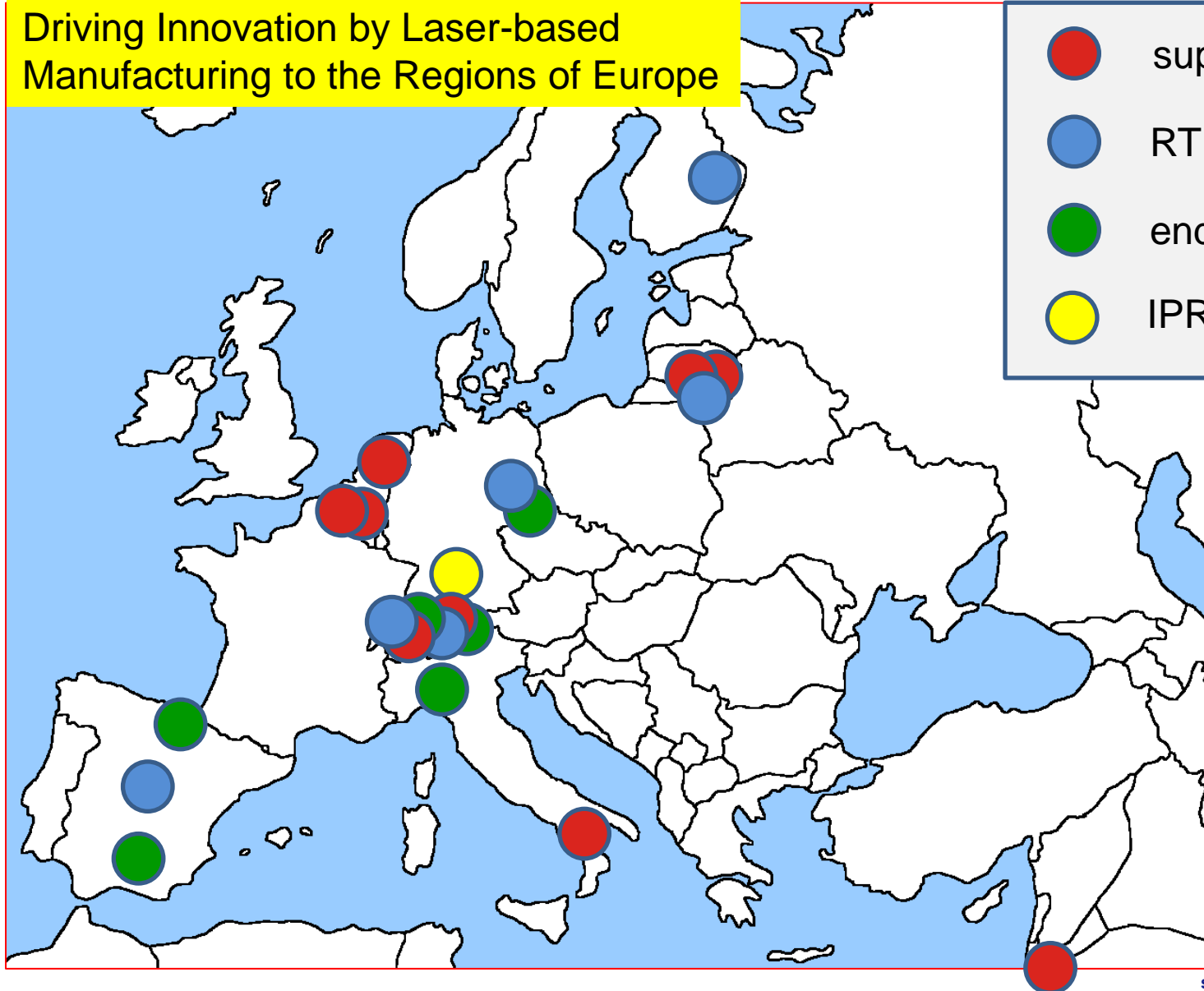
3D processing



Bio- & environment sensing



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ultrafast pulsed laser machining



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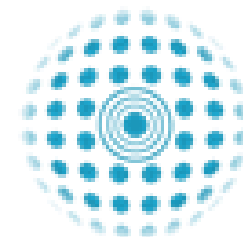
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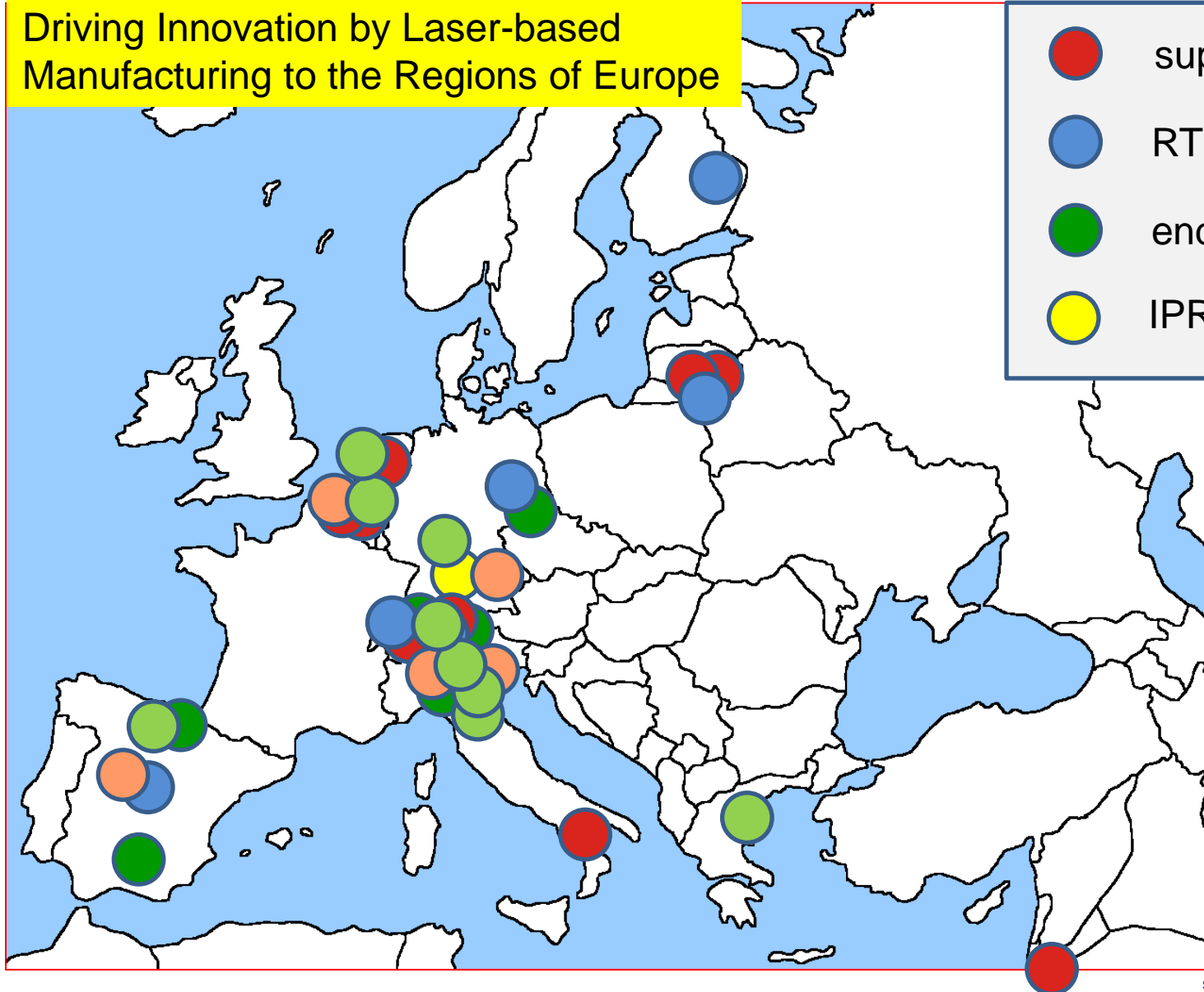


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