OE-A Web-Seminar Series - Printed Electronics Insights Special Topic: Smart Packaging.



Compostable RFID antennas by leveraging nano-copper inks Dr Ofer Shochet, Co-Founder, CEO

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The Future of Printed Electronics is Copper.

We enable very-low cost, high conductivity, sustainable printed electronics.

Three key segments:

Printed RFID antennas; Flexible electronics ; Photovoltaics











Copprint Awards







Let's start with a short video





https://youtu.be/5S8alzlz4b0

The Need: Conductive Patterns

Subtractive Manufacturing

Copper/aluminum Etching Aluminum Die Cutting Material Waste / Hazardous / Limited Substrates

Additive Manufacturing (Printing)

Silver Inks (~\$3B Mkt) Expensive / Hazardous Copper ink attempts - Failed Productization Copprint Nano-Copper Ink <u>NEW!</u>





Additive Printing Conductive Pattern Only



The most common way to make RFID antennas is via chemical etching



This process uses toxic chemicals and is mostly done in China

The final product is non-degradable, non-compostable, non-recyclable and non-collectable



UHF antennas vs. HF/NFC



NFC?HF RFID antennas: Higher accuracy Aluminum on two sides



The Copprint way – printing 3µm nano-Copper ink on Paper





Amount of copper per tag ~6mg Equivalent to amount of copper in 3 chocolate bars



Really Simple Fabrication (Prototyping, Short Runs)1) Print2) Dry3) Sinter







Screen printing in few seconds

Drying oven/conveyor 1-60 seconds Standard hot press/laminator in few seconds under air





Muhlbauer APS tailored to Copprint ink Industrial Scale Antenna Printing Solution



Fully autoamted POC – available now High capacity R2R system – in development





Printed RFID antennas – on every merchandise

RFID	Etched Aluminum on Plastics (PET) (>90% of the market)	Copprint Printed nano- Copper on Paper
Manufacturing	Highly polluting (China and Malesia)	Simple printing
Turnaround	6 weeks	1 week
Tag disposal	Non recyclable, non degradable – Plastics and Aluminum small pieces	Compostable, Green RFID – Copper, Minimal copper traces
UHF antenna cost	0.2-0.6¢	Up to 30% cheaper (depending on geometry/volume)
NFC antenna cost	1¢	<0.4¢

Copprint 20B units 2019 ; Trilion units by 2030

We placed two types of RFID antennas in a home composter for 30 days, What do you think happened?





Aluminum/PET

Before composting



After 30 days in the composter No change.





Copper/Paper

Before composting

After 30 days in a home composter The paper and copper completely decomposes in the compost







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- RFID antennas: Compostable & Cheaper
- Heaters, membrane switches, flex circuits: Copprint enables 5-10X cost saving relative to silver inks (heating elements for car interiors, underfloor heating, simple PCBs).
- PV Cells: Replacing silver inks with copper inks for PV enable major cost reduction – e.g. 15% \$/w for the Tesla PV modules.









Unleashing The Additive Copper Market

For many years people tried to print copper (and failed). Motivation: Raw copper is 100x cheaper than silver

Copprint patented copper inks that outperform silver inks and are cheaper



The Innovation

Copprint overcome the copper oxidation using a patented chemical sintering agent:

- Rapid low temperature Sintering which Prevents Oxidation
- Highly Conductive results
- Low Cost, Efficient (No Material Waste)
- Non-Toxic, Ecological, Green Circuits
- Substrate Freedom
- Standard "Air" Printing Process & Equipment

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Copprint Copper inks vs. Silver inks

Anything you can print with conductive silver inks, Copprint can do better. Faster. At a fraction of the cost.

Copprint screen-printing Nano Copper Inks for a range of substrates:

LF-300 – Paste for paper substrate - Released

LF-350 – paste for PET substrate – Released

LF-370 – paste for FR4, Alumina, Glass substrate – Released

LF-390 – paste for PI substrate

LF-380 – paste for HJT PV cells Additional substrates: PC, PEN, CFRP, Tesline





Summary

- Copprint enables additive conductive printing from Nano Copper
- Our Nano Copper inks outperform silver inks, aluminum/copper etching, unleashing printed electronics manufacturing
- 5-10X savings/silver, higher conductivity
- Compostable RFID antennas and a green production process
- Supporting copper printing on Paper, PET, Alumina, FR4, Glass..
- First vendors to switch to copper ink will increase their market share dramatically



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