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**EPIC Online Technology Meeting** on Earth Observation

## HORIBA's Gratings technologies for space and Earth Observation

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### From HORIBA to optical gratings...









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### HORIBA Scientific

- $\rightarrow$  Analytical instrumentation (Molecular spectroscopy, emission spectroscopy, particle size analyzers,...)
- $\rightarrow\,$  OEM systems (Spectrometers, Monochromators, HSI cameras), OEM gratings and Custom gratings

#### **Custom Gratings:**

- → VUV/Synchrotron applications (high-quality, full customization)
- → High-Energy Lasers applications (largest gratings manufactured for PW Lasers)
- $\rightarrow$  Space/Astronomy applications (> 40 years & > 50 missions this field)
- $\rightarrow$  Cross-gratings for metrology

Custom gratings are designed and manufactured at: HORIBA France: a Center of Excellence Initially Jobin Yvon

Created in 1819 from the collaboration between Augustin Fresnel and Jean-Baptiste Soleil

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European Research at Paris Saclay





### **HORIBA's Gratings Technologies**





Substrate shape	Substrate material	Aberration correction	Groove density	Metallic coating	Spectral range
Plane, spherical, toroidal, freeform, prisms	Silica, Zerodur®, SiC, Aluminum	Type IV or Variable Line Spaced	From 30 l/mm to 4800 l/mm	Gold, Aluminum, AlMgF2, Platinum, Nickel	From deep UV to MIR

FULL CUSTOMIZATION POSSIBLE THANKS TO COMPUTATION TOOLS Grating efficiency calculations, Zemax optimization





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### **HORIBA's Gratings Metrology tests & qualifications**

#### Typical Metrology tests for space projects

- Grating profile characterization  $\rightarrow$  Atomic Force Microscope
- Substrate/grating surface/wavefront error  $\rightarrow$  Interferometer
- **Efficiency** (relative or absolute / Mirror with same coating)

 $\rightarrow$  Efficiency-meter

- Groove density & orientation measurement  $\rightarrow$  Goniometer
  - Stray light → Computations & BRDF/BTDF
- Substrate Microroughness  $\rightarrow$  Microscope
- Visual inspection:





heritage

## Qualification plan according to ECSS standards Long Duration Exposure Facility (LDEF) mission

**Quality & Qualifications** 

Heritage from past missions

ISO 9001/14001 company







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## **HORIBA's Gratings** Application examples (1/2)

- Plane or spherical gratings with aberration correction:
  - $\rightarrow$  Holographic recording with high groove density,
  - $\rightarrow$  Aberration correction recorded with the grating,
  - $\rightarrow$  Work at 1st order, ion-etching possible,
  - $\rightarrow$  Good performances vs. Stray-light

→ Example OCO/OCO-2 mission (NASA) for CO2 monitoring on Earth

### • Plane Ruled Echelle gratings:

→ Mechanical ruling, high blaze angles (triangular shape)
→ Low groove density, high efficiency in different
working orders → Compact instrument design!

→ Example MicroCarb mission (CNES) Echelle replica gratings on SiC substrate, Efficiency > 50% on 4 spectral bands: 758-769nm – k40, 1264-1283nm – k24, 1596-1620 – k19 and 2022-2053 – k15.









### **HORIBA's Gratings** Application examples (2/2)

#### Gratings on prisms (GRISMS): Missions Sentinel-5 & CO2M

#### Grating to be manufactured:

Grism = Grating recorded on the exit surface of a prism; entrance surface is AR coated. The grism works in transmission.

#### **Challenges:**

 $\rightarrow$  High efficiency (> 55%) and low polarization ratio (< 15 %)  $\rightarrow$  Holographic recording & ion-etching

#### Grating parameters overview

 $\rightarrow$  Spectral range : UV (300-500nm)  $\rightarrow$  Groove density : 1499,25 gr/mm (+/-0,45)  $\rightarrow$  Dimensions : 54x47mm (grating clear aperture of 40,2x36,7mm<sup>2</sup>)





Wavelength (nm)





### **HORIBA's Gratings Variable groove depth**

VGD = Variable Groove Depth









