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MILESTONES OF THE VIGO'S DEVELOPMENT

OVER 35 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION ON THE MARKETS







GLOBAL RANGE

BUSINESS RELATIONS WITH GLOBAL CORPORATIONS VIGO SYSTEM HAS BECOME



Safran Aerotechnics (optoelectronics systems)



Caterpillar (railway sensor systems)



Emerson Electric Co. (industrial gas analysers)



TRUMPF (laser industry)

VIGO System has become a supplier of the high-tech components for the most demanding customers.







MARKET SPLIT 2021



25 distributors in 18 countries supporting commercialization of VIGO products and solutions





TECHNOLOGY AND PRODUCTION OF PHOTONIC INFRARED PRODUCTS

PHOTONIC PRODUCTS AND INFRARED (IR) MATERIALS

Semiconductor materials

Materials of crystalline structure whose electrical conductivity is between conductors (usually metals) and insulators (most ceramic materials).

Elements for semiconductors: silicon (Si), germanium (Ge), gallium arsenide (GaAs), gallium antimony (GaSb), indium antimony (InSb).

Infrared detector

An electronic component made up of semiconductors that allows the conversion of infrared radiation energy into electrical energy.

VALUE CHAIN IN THE SEMICONDUCTOR INDUSTRY - VIGO'S COMPLETE LINE FOR SEMICONDUCTORS AND PHOTONIC DEVICES

Semiconductor layers as one of the key intermediates in the value chain of VIGO's semiconductor-based products (e.g. wireless communication systems or optoelectronic systems)







Culture of GaAs, InP substrates

A suitable crystalline structure on which the Deposition of the required semiconductor proper layers are then grown.

III-V compound semiconductors are grown on monocrystalline substrates of gallium arsenide (GaAs) or indium phosphide (InP).

Epitaxy

layers with the target parameters. The number of layers can be up to several hundred.

of epitaxial layers and fabrication of detector and laser chips through a range of physical and chemical processes.





Infrared module

An integrated system containing an infrared photodetector, signal processing electronics, optics, heat dissipation systems and other components.



(detector, laser) capable of processing an optical/electrical signal are created at the end of this stage.



Production by specialised companies assembling electronic or optoelectronic

modules..

VIGO PRODUCTS TAILORED TO THE NEEDS OF INTERNATIONAL CLIENTS

SIGNIFICANT DIVERSIFICATION OF VIGO'S OFFER THANKS TO INVESTMENTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE BETWEEN 2014 AND 2020 (MBE LAB, EFFICIENT MOCVD IN THE III-V EPITAXY DEPARTMENT)

- Manufacture of MCT, InAs, InAsSb and InGaAs detectors, dedicated electronics, detection modules, accessories and semiconductor materials.
- Devices with high sensitivity over a wide spectral range from 1 to 16 µm and high speed in frequency bands up to 1 GHz.
- 90% Customised* sales approx. 10% are sales of standard products.

MCT

Multi-element detector

MCT Detector





Detectors and detection modules with the semiconductor layer made of MCT/HgCdTe (mercury cadmium) telluride) materials

- A range of photoconductive (PC) and photovoltaic (PV) detectors used in many market sectors
- Radiation spectrum: MWIR
- Reactor: MOCVD (MCT)

III-V InAsSb

T2SL Detector InAs Detector

Detectors and detector modules with the semiconductor layer made of InAs (indium arsenide) or InAsSb (indium arsenide antimonide) materials.

- A range of photoconductive (PC) and photovoltaic (PV) MWIR and LWIR type II super lattice (T2SL) detectors, operating at room temperature or thermoelectrically cooled
- Radiation spectrum: MWIR and LWIR
- Reactor: MBE (InAs, InAsSb)

SWIR / MWIR / LWIR





Detectors and detector modules with the semiconductor layer made of InGaAs (indium gallium arsenide) materials.

- A variety of detectors for the SWIR range designed for mass applications
- Radiation range: SWIR (new MOCVD)
- Reactor: MOCVD (III-V)

\mathbf{III} -V* EPITAXY

III-Vepitaxial wafers



High-quality epitaxial structures of III-V semiconductor materials (InGaAs, InAsSb) offered directly to clients for in-house production of detectors/chips and VCSEL lasers as well as production of SWIR (VCSEL), including VCSEL VIGO lasers.

- A wide range of top quality products: laser layers, detectors, quantum dots, Bragg reflectors. Poland's first VCSEL laser chips.
- Radiation range: MWIR, SWIR
- Reactor: MOCVD (III-V)













PLIR ARRAY **POLISH THERMAL IMAGING FOR THE POLISH ARMY**





TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

Objective of the initiative

- Becoming a major supplier of detectors for the Polish army/armament industry
- Development of the technology for manufacturing cooled arrays







Global situation

Pandemic

- Lockdown
- Demands rise up



- Border Crisis
 - Need for the night vision

- Russian aggression







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NEW BUSINESS LINE

Thermal imaging sensors for the MWIR and LWIR range

- Cryogenically cooled
- Based on T2SL technology and III-V materials
- A wide range of resolutions from 320x256 to 1280x1024
- Long working time and stable response
- Resistance to external conditions

Short-infrared (SWIR)

- Based on InGaAs technology
- Temperature stabilized (thermoelectrically)

As a result of hybridization, each bump applied to the ROIC connects directly to the pixel of the EPI layer, which for the 640x512 matrix is over 350,000

chip

pads











Photolithography







FPA + ROIC integration















Dewar assembly, hermetisation and electronics



















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Main advantages (SWIR)

- SWIR shows reflected light well
- SWIR reacts to high temperatures
- SWIR "sees" through the glass



Laser Warning System









custom ordered resolution can be prepared on call much earlier

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FOCAL PLANE ARRAY – TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

Lp	Rozdzielczość	Pixel pitch	Zakres fali	M1	M2	MЗ	M4
1A	320x256	30µm	MWIR	3Q2023	4Q2023	4Q2023	1Q2024
1B	320x256	30µm	LWIR	4Q2023	2Q2024	4Q2023	1Q2024
2A	640x512	15µm	MWIR	4Q2023	1Q2024	1Q2024	1Q2024
2B	640x512	15µm	LWIR	1Q2024	3Q2024	1Q2024	1Q2024
2C	640x512	15µm	SWIR	3Q2023	1Q2024	1Q2024	1Q2024
ЗA	1280x1024	15µm	MWIR	4Q2023	1Q2025	1Q2025	4Q2025
3B	1280x1024	15µm	LWIR	1Q2024	3Q2025	1Q2025	4Q2025
3C	1280x1024	15µm	SWIR	3Q2023	1Q2025	1Q2025	4Q2025
Kamienie milowe:		В	С	D	F		
	Warstwa EPI	Processing	Hybrydyzacja	Packaging + Hermetyzacja	ROIC		
M1	Vigo	Out	Out	Out	Out		
M2	Vigo	Vigo	Out	Out	Out		
M3	Vigo	Vigo	Vigo	Out	Out		
M4	Vigo	Vigo	Vigo	Vigo	Out		
M5	Vigo	Vigo	Vigo	Vigo	Vigo		
Vigo	- krok wykonany w technologi zaimplementowanej w Vigo						
Out	 krok wykonany na zlecenie u dostawcy zewnętrznego 						

Dojście do etapu produkcji małoseryjnej

ASSUMPTIONS

- 2024 small-lot production of 30-40 pieces.
- 2025 full-scale at the level of min. 500 pcs/yr

TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS FOR:

M1 i M2 - product 1A (technology and its repeatability)

• Epitaxy (90%)

M5

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- Processing (85%)
- Hybridization (40%)
- Packaging + Encapsulation (10%) \bullet
- ROIC (0%): Works based on ROICs from the market

TECHNOLOGY AREA

250 sqm OF CLEANROOMS AND 6500 sqm OF TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT SPACE IN TOTAL

FURTHER INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES

- 1. Increase in production repeatability
- 2. Detector chip manufacturing technology
- 3. Reduction of production costs
- 4. Meeting the highest quality requirements (military, space, semiconductor industries)

THE FUTURE TOGETHER!

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