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PATENTS ADDENDUM

David Sherrer has filed for patents to protect the following inventions. This listing includes patent applications that are pending as well as patents that have already been granted by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

[SUBSTRATE-FREE INTERCONNECTED ELECTRONIC MECHANICAL STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS](#)

Publication number: 20180153055

Abstract: Substrate-free mechanical structural systems comprised of interconnected subsystems of electronic and/or electromechanical components.

Type: Application

Filed: December 27, 2017

Publication date: May 31, 2018

Inventors: Ian Hovey, J. Robert Reid, David Sherrer, Will Stacy, Ken Vanhille

[STRUCTURES AND METHODS FOR INTERCONNECTS AND ASSOCIATED ALIGNMENT AND ASSEMBLY MECHANISMS FOR AND BETWEEN CHIPS, COMPONENTS, AND 3D SYSTEMS](#)

Publication number: 20180123217

Abstract: Structures and methods for interconnects and associated alignment and assembly mechanisms for and between chips, components, and 3D systems.

Type: Application

Filed: January 3, 2018

Publication date: May 3, 2018

Inventors: Jean-Marc Rollin, J. Robert Reid, David Sherrer, Will Stacy, Ken Vanhille, J. Marcus Oliver, Tim Smith

[THREE-DIMENSIONAL MICROSTRUCTURES](#)

Publication number: 20180069287

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Application

Filed: November 10, 2017

Publication date: March 8, 2018

Inventors: David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steven E. Huettner

[Substrate-free interconnected electronic mechanical structural systems](#)

Patent number: 9888600

Abstract: Substrate-free mechanical structural systems comprised of interconnected subsystems of electronic and/or electromechanical components are provided.

Type: Grant

Filed: March 14, 2016

Date of Patent: February 6, 2018

Assignee: NUVOTRONICS, INC

Inventors: Ian Hovey, J. Robert Reid, David Sherrer, Will Stacy, Ken Vanhille

[Three-dimensional microstructures](#)

Patent number: 9843084

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Grant

Filed: July 28, 2016

Date of Patent: December 12, 2017

Assignee: NUVOTRONICS, INC

Inventors: David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steven E. Huettner

MULTILAYER BUILD PROCESSES AND DEVICES THEREOF**Publication number:** 20170338036

Abstract: A process to form devices may include forming a seed layer on and/or over a substrate, modifying a seed layer selectively, forming an image-wise mold layer on and/or over a substrate and/or electrodepositing a first material on and/or over an exposed conductive area. A process may include selectively applying a temporary patterned passivation layer on a conductive substrate, selectively forming an image-wise mold layer on and/or over a substrate, forming a first material on and/or over at least one of the exposed conductive areas and/or removing a temporary patterned passivation layer. A process may include forming a sacrificial image-wise mold layer on a substrate layer, selectively placing one or more first materials in one or more exposed portions of a substrate layer, forming one or more second materials on and/or over a substrate layer and/or removing a portion of a sacrificial image-wise mold layer.

Type: Application**Filed:** March 17, 2017**Publication date:** November 23, 2017**Inventor:** David SherrerCOAXIAL TRANSMISSION LINE MICROSTRUCTURES AND METHODS OF FORMATION THEREOF**Publication number:** 20170200999

Abstract: Provided are coaxial transmission line microstructures formed by a sequential build process, and methods of forming such microstructures. The microstructures include a transition structure for transitioning between the coaxial transmission line and an electrical connector. The microstructures have particular applicability to devices for transmitting electromagnetic energy and other electronic signals.

Type: Application**Filed:** January 13, 2017**Publication date:** July 13, 2017**Inventor:** David SherrerTransition structure between a rectangular coaxial microstructure and a cylindrical coaxial cable using step changes in center conductors thereof**Patent number:** 9570789

Abstract: Provided are coaxial transmission line microstructures formed by a sequential build process, and methods of forming such microstructures. The microstructures include a transition structure for transitioning between the coaxial transmission line and an electrical connector. The microstructures have particular applicability to devices for transmitting electromagnetic energy and other electronic signals.

Type: Grant**Filed:** April 7, 2015**Date of Patent:** February 14, 2017**Assignee:** NUVOTRONICS, INC**Inventor:** David SherrerTHREE-DIMENSIONAL MICROSTRUCTURES**Publication number:** 20160336639

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Application**Filed:** July 28, 2016**Publication date:** November 17, 2016**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steven E. HuettnerHigh frequency power combiner/divider**Patent number:** 9490517

Abstract: Radio frequency (RF) power amplifiers are provided which may include high power, wideband, microwave or millimeter-wave solid state power amplifiers based on waveguide power combiner/dividers.

Type: Grant**Filed:** June 17, 2015**Date of Patent:** November 8, 2016**Assignee:** Nuvotronics, Inc.**Inventors:** Donald X. Wu, David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin

[STRUCTURES AND METHODS FOR INTERCONNECTS AND ASSOCIATED ALIGNMENT AND ASSEMBLY MECHANISMS FOR AND BETWEEN CHIPS, COMPONENTS, AND 3D SYSTEMS](#)

Publication number: 20160294035

Abstract: Structures and methods for interconnects and associated alignment and assembly mechanisms for and between chips, components, and 3D systems.

Type: Application

Filed: March 18, 2016

Publication date: October 6, 2016

Inventors: Jean-Marc Rollin, J. Robert Reid, David Sherrer, Will Stacy, Ken Vanhille, J. Marcus Oliver, Tim Smith

[Three-dimensional microstructures](#)

Patent number: 9413052

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Grant

Filed: September 4, 2015

Date of Patent: August 9, 2016

Assignee: Nuvotronics, Inc.

Inventors: David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steven E. Huettner

[MICROFLUIDIC CHANNELS FOR THERMAL MANAGEMENT OF MICROELECTRONICS](#)

Publication number: 20160218048

Abstract: Heat spreading device using microfabricated microfluidic structures to cool microelectronic devices.

Type: Application

Filed: January 26, 2016

Publication date: July 28, 2016

Inventors: Hooman Kazemi, Mark Crawford, Aaron Caba, David Sherrer

[MULTILAYER BUILD PROCESSES AND DEVICES THEREOF](#)

Publication number: 20160217922

Abstract: A process to form devices may include forming a seed layer on and/or over a substrate, modifying a seed layer selectively, forming an image-wise mold layer on and/or over a substrate and/or electrodepositing a first material on and/or over an exposed conductive area. A process may include selectively applying a temporary patterned passivation layer on a conductive substrate, selectively forming an image-wise mold layer on and/or over a substrate, forming a first material on and/or over at least one of the exposed conductive areas and/or removing a temporary patterned passivation layer. A process may include forming a sacrificial image-wise mold layer on a substrate layer, selectively placing one or more first materials in one or more exposed portions of a substrate layer, forming one or more second materials on and/or over a substrate layer and/or removing a portion of a sacrificial image-wise mold layer.

Type: Application

Filed: January 22, 2016

Publication date: July 28, 2016

Inventor: David Sherrer

[SUBSTRATE-FREE INTERCONNECTED ELECTRONIC MECHANICAL STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS](#)

Publication number: 20160198584

Abstract: Substrate-free mechanical structural systems comprised of interconnected subsystems of electronic and/or electromechanical components are provided.

Type: Application

Filed: March 14, 2016

Publication date: July 7, 2016

Inventors: Ian Hovey, J. Robert Reid, David Sherrer, Will Stacy, Ken Vanhille

[Microstructure including microstructural waveguide elements and/or IC chips that are mechanically interconnected to each other](#)

Patent number: 9306255

Abstract: Structures and methods for interconnects and associated alignment and assembly mechanisms for and between chips, components, and 3D systems.

Type: Grant

Filed: March 14, 2014

Date of Patent: April 5, 2016

Assignee: NUVOTRONICS, INC.

Inventors: Jean-Marc Rollin, J. Robert Reid, David Sherrer, Will Stacy, Ken Vanhille, J. Marcus Oliver, Tim Smith

[Substrate-free mechanical interconnection of electronic sub-systems using a spring configuration](#)

Patent number: 9306254

Abstract: Substrate-free mechanical structural systems comprised of interconnected subsystems of electronic and/or electromechanical components are provided.

Type: Grant

Filed: March 14, 2014

Date of Patent: April 5, 2016

Assignee: NUVOTRONICS, INC.

Inventors: Ian Hovey, J. Robert Reid, David Sherrer, Will Stacy, Ken Vanhille

[COAXIAL TRANSMISSION LINE MICROSTRUCTURES AND METHODS OF FORMATION THEREOF](#)

Publication number: 20160072171

Abstract: Provided are coaxial transmission line microstructures formed by a sequential build process, and methods of forming such microstructures. The microstructures include a transition structure for transitioning between the coaxial transmission line and an electrical connector. The microstructures have particular applicability to devices for transmitting electromagnetic energy and other electronic signals.

Type: Application

Filed: April 7, 2015

Publication date: March 10, 2016

Applicant: NUVOTRONICS, LLC

Inventor: David Sherrer

[HIGH FREQUENCY POWER COMBINER/DIVIDER](#)

Publication number: 20160036113

Abstract: Radio frequency (RF) power amplifiers are provided which may include high power, wideband, microwave or millimeter-wave solid state power amplifiers based on waveguide power combiner/dividers.

Type: Application

Filed: June 17, 2015

Publication date: February 4, 2016

Inventors: Donald X. Wu, David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin

[THREE-DIMENSIONAL MICROSTRUCTURES](#)

Publication number: 20150380795

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Application

Filed: September 4, 2015

Publication date: December 31, 2015

Inventors: David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steven E. Huettner

[Three-dimensional microstructures](#)

Patent number: 9136575

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Grant

Filed: April 15, 2014

Date of Patent: September 15, 2015

Assignee: NUVOTRONICS, LLC

Inventors: David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steven E. Huettner

[Hollow core coaxial cables and methods of making the same](#)**Patent number:** 9088074

Abstract: Disclosed and claimed herein is a hollow core coaxial cable, having a dielectric capillary with an inside wall and an outside wall, an inner conductive layer on the inside wall of the hollow core coaxial cable and an outer conductive layer on the outside wall of the hollow core coaxial cable, the conductive layers may be patterned. Further disclosed is a method of making the hollow core coaxial cable. Further disclosed are holey fiber coaxial cables, having a holey fiber capillary having an inside wall and an outside wall, an inner conductive layer on the inside wall of the hollow core coaxial cable and an outer conductive layer on the outside wall of the hollow core coaxial cable, the conductive layers may be patterned.

Type: Grant**Filed:** July 14, 2011**Date of Patent:** July 21, 2015**Assignee:** NUVOTRONICS, LLC**Inventors:** Noel Heiks, David Sherrer[Coaxial transmission line microstructure with a portion of increased transverse dimension and method of formation thereof](#)**Patent number:** 9000863

Abstract: Provided are coaxial transmission line microstructures formed by a sequential build process, and methods of forming such microstructures. The microstructures include a transition structure for transitioning between the coaxial transmission line and an electrical connector. The microstructures have particular applicability to devices for transmitting electromagnetic energy and other electronic signals.

Type: Grant**Filed:** September 17, 2013**Date of Patent:** April 7, 2015**Assignee:** Nuvotronics, LLC.**Inventor:** David Sherrer[Waveguide balun having waveguide structures disposed over a ground plane and having probes located in channels](#)**Patent number:** 8917150

Abstract: An apparatus may include one or more conductive surfaces, waveguide structures and/or ports. One or more waveguide structures may include a portion disposed above a conductive surface, an outer conductor, and/or an inner conductor. A first portion of an outer conductor may be connected to a conductive surface. A port end of an outer conductor may be connected to an outer conductor port. An inner conductor may be disposed inside and spaced apart from an outer conductor. An inner conductor port may be connected to an inner conductor. An inner conductor of two or more waveguide structures may be connected to each other. A conductive surface may include at least one aperture portion, which may have a width substantially similar to the width of a waveguide structure. A substrate may be disposed between one or more waveguide structures and a conductive surface for a substantial portion of a waveguide structure.

Type: Grant**Filed:** January 22, 2011**Date of Patent:** December 23, 2014**Assignee:** Nuvotronics, LLC**Inventors:** Kenneth Vanhille, David Sherrer[System and method for extracting power from fluid using a Tesla-type bladeless turbine](#)**Patent number:** 8801359

Abstract: Smooth, preferably variable-sweep fluid collection device surfaces disposed into opposition with wind, river, surf, ocean or tidal currents generate enhanced velocity fluid flows at length driven into onboard work-extracting disc turbines at advantageous angles of attack. Keyed to shafts turning freely through optionally extendable volutes, disc turbines comprising a dense population of smooth, axially fixed or adjustably spaced discs conducting preferably laminar flow between adjacent elements develop significant torque through boundary layer adhesion and viscous shear-stress between fluid layers. Exhaust of disc turbine throughput into divergent channels drafting into external currents of initially higher than ambient velocity and lower pressure may reduce turbine discharge backpressure, rapidly clear system throughput, and allow normally disadvantageous drag to be utilized to develop greater work generation.

Type: Grant**Filed:** May 5, 2008**Date of Patent:** August 12, 2014**Inventor:** Gordon David Sherrer

THREE-DIMENSIONAL MICROSTRUCTURES**Publication number:** 20140218131

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Application**Filed:** April 15, 2014**Publication date:** August 7, 2014**Applicant:** Nuvotronics, LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steven E. HuettnnerThermal management**Patent number:** 8717124

Abstract: A transmission line structure, a transmission line thermal manager and/or process thereof. A transmission line thermal manager may include a thermal member. A thermal member may be configured to form a thermal path, for example away from one or more inner conductors of a transmission line. A part of a thermal member may be formed of an electrically insulative and thermally conductive material. One or more inner conductors may be spaced apart from one or more outer conductors in a transmission line. A transmission line and/or a transmission line thermal manager may be configured to maximize a signal through a system, for example by modifying the geometry of one or more transmission line conductors and/or of a thermal manager.

Type: Grant**Filed:** January 22, 2011**Date of Patent:** May 6, 2014**Assignee:** Nuvotronics, LLC**Inventors:** Kenneth Vanhille, David SherrerThree-dimensional microstructures**Patent number:** 8698577

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Grant**Filed:** July 5, 2011**Date of Patent:** April 15, 2014**Assignee:** Nuvotronics, LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steve HuettnnerThree-dimensional matrix structure for defining a coaxial transmission line channel**Patent number:** 8659371

Abstract: A system is provided for three dimensional coaxial transmission of signals in a micro-machined component, the system having, a micro-machined component matrix with a first metallic sheet having a plurality of first access holes disposed therein; a second metallic sheet having a plurality of second access holes disposed therein; a plurality of metal posts disposed between the first and second metallic sheets such that the metallic sheets are maintained at a desired distance; walls defining a coaxial transmission channel; and a coaxial transmission core disposed within the channel.

Type: Grant**Filed:** February 26, 2010**Date of Patent:** February 25, 2014**Assignees:** BAE Systems Information and Electronic Systems Integration Inc., Nuvotronics, LLC**Inventors:** Daniel L. Fonataine, David SherrerCOAXIAL TRANSMISSION LINE MICROSTRUCTURES AND METHODS OF FORMATION THEREOF**Publication number:** 20140015623

Abstract: Provided are coaxial transmission line microstructures formed by a sequential build process, and methods of forming such microstructures. The microstructures include a transition structure for transitioning between the coaxial transmission line and an electrical connector. The microstructures have particular applicability to devices for transmitting electromagnetic energy and other electronic signals.

Type: Application

Filed: September 17, 2013

Publication date: January 16, 2014

Applicant: NUVOTRONICS, LLC

Inventor: David Sherrer

[MULTILAYER BUILD PROCESSES AND DEVICES THEREOF](#)

Publication number: 20130333820

Abstract: A process to form devices may include forming a seed layer on and/or over a substrate, modifying a seed layer selectively, forming an image-wise mold layer on and/or over a substrate and/or electrodepositing a first material on and/or over an exposed conductive area. A process may include selectively applying a temporary patterned passivation layer on a conductive substrate, selectively forming an image-wise mold layer on and/or over a substrate, forming a first material on and/or over at least one of the exposed conductive areas and/or removing a temporary patterned passivation layer. A process may include forming a sacrificial image-wise mold layer on a substrate layer, selectively placing one or more first materials in one or more exposed portions of a substrate layer, forming one or more second materials on and/or over a substrate layer and/or removing a portion of a sacrificial image-wise mold layer.

Type: Application

Filed: August 13, 2013

Publication date: December 19, 2013

Applicant: NUVOTRONICS, LLC

Inventor: David Sherrer

[Hollow Core Coaxial Cables and Methods of Making the Same](#)

Publication number: 20130016022

Abstract: Disclosed and claimed herein is a hollow core coaxial cable, having a dielectric capillary with an inside wall and an outside wall, an inner conductive layer on the inside wall of the hollow core coaxial cable and an outer conductive layer on the outside wall of the hollow core coaxial cable, the conductive layers may be patterned. Further disclosed is a method of making the hollow core coaxial cable. Further disclosed are holey fiber coaxial cables, having a holey fiber capillary having an inside wall and an outside wall, an inner conductive layer on the inside wall of the hollow core coaxial cable and an outer conductive layer on the outside wall of the hollow core coaxial cable, the conductive layers may be patterned.

Type: Application

Filed: July 14, 2011

Publication date: January 17, 2013

Inventors: Noel Heiks, David Sherrer

[THREE-DIMENSIONAL MICROSTRUCTURES](#)

Publication number: 20120062335

Abstract: An apparatus comprising a first power combiner/divider network and a second power combiner/divider network. The first power combiner/divider network splits a first electromagnetic signal into split signals that are connectable to signal processor(s). The second power combiner/divider network combines processed signals into a second electromagnetic signal. The apparatus includes a three-dimensional coaxial microstructure.

Type: Application

Filed: July 5, 2011

Publication date: March 15, 2012

Inventors: David Sherrer, Jean-Marc Rollin, Kenneth Vanhille, Marcus Oliver, Steven Huetiner

[Micro-optical device and method of making same](#)

Patent number: 8050526

Abstract: A method for making a micro optical device includes providing an optical element, providing a glass perform, providing a substrate with a precision formed feature designed to passively position the optical element relative to the substrate, and bonding the optical element to the substrate using the glass perform. The optical element is passively located in a predefined relationship with the substrate, and the glass perform has a shape prior to contacting the substrate that is maintained before the bonding.

Type: Grant

Filed: January 19, 2006

Date of Patent: November 1, 2011

Assignee: Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.

Inventors: Garo Khanarian, Margaret M. Pafford, David Sherrer

WAVEGUIDE STRUCTURES AND PROCESSES THEREOF**Publication number:** 20110181376

Abstract: An apparatus may include one or more conductive surfaces, waveguide structures and/or ports. One or more waveguide structures may include a portion disposed above a conductive surface, an outer conductor, and/or an inner conductor. A first portion of an outer conductor may be connected to a conductive surface. A port end of an outer conductor may be connected to an outer conductor port. An inner conductor may be disposed inside and spaced apart from an outer conductor. An inner conductor port may be connected to an inner conductor. An inner conductor of two or more waveguide structures may be connected to each other. A conductive surface may include at least one aperture portion, which may have a width substantially similar to the width of a waveguide structure. A substrate may be disposed between one or more waveguide structures and a conductive surface for a substantial portion of a waveguide structure.

Type: Application**Filed:** January 22, 2011**Publication date:** July 28, 2011**Inventors:** Kenneth Vanhille, David SherrerTHERMAL MANAGEMENT**Publication number:** 20110181377

Abstract: A transmission line structure, a transmission line thermal manager and/or process thereof. A transmission line thermal manager may include a thermal member. A thermal member may be configured to form a thermal path, for example away from one or more inner conductors of a transmission line. A part of a thermal member may be formed of an electrically insulative and thermally conductive material. One or more inner conductors may be spaced apart from one or more outer conductors in a transmission line. A transmission line and/or a transmission line thermal manager may be configured to maximize a signal through a system, for example by modifying the geometry of one or more transmission line conductors and/or of a thermal manager.

Type: Application**Filed:** January 22, 2011**Publication date:** July 28, 2011**Inventors:** Kenneth Vanhille, David SherrerMULTILAYER BUILD PROCESSES AND DEVICES THEREOF**Publication number:** 20110123783

Abstract: A process to form devices may include forming a seed layer on and/or over a substrate, modifying a seed layer selectively, forming an image-wise mold layer on and/or over a substrate and/or electrodepositing a first material on and/or over an exposed conductive area. A process may include selectively applying a temporary patterned passivation layer on a conductive substrate, selectively forming an image-wise mold layer on and/or over a substrate, forming a first material on and/or over at least one of the exposed conductive areas and/or removing a temporary patterned passivation layer. A process may include forming a sacrificial image-wise mold layer on a substrate layer, selectively placing one or more first materials in one or more exposed portions of a substrate layer, forming one or more second materials on and/or over a substrate layer and/or removing a portion of a sacrificial image-wise mold layer.

Type: Application**Filed:** November 23, 2010**Publication date:** May 26, 2011**Inventor:** David SherrerSYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EXTRACTING POWER FROM FLUID USING A TESLA-TYPE BLADELESS TURBINE**Publication number:** 20100129193

Abstract: Smooth, preferably variable-sweep fluid collection device surfaces disposed into opposition with wind, river, surf, ocean or tidal currents generate enhanced velocity fluid flows at length driven into onboard work-extracting disc turbines at advantageous angles of attack. Keyed to shafts turning freely through optionally extendable volutes, disc turbines comprising a dense population of smooth, axially fixed or adjustably spaced discs conducting preferably laminar flow between adjacent elements develop significant torque through boundary layer adhesion and viscous shear-stress between fluid layers. Exhaust of disc turbine throughput into divergent channels drafting into external currents of initially higher than ambient velocity and lower pressure may reduce turbine discharge backpressure, rapidly clear system throughput, and allow normally disadvantageous drag to be utilized to develop greater work generation.

Type: Application**Filed:** May 5, 2008**Publication date:** May 27, 2010 **Inventor:** Gordon David Sherrer

[Multi-level optical structure and method of manufacture](#)**Publication number:** 20080050582

Abstract: A multi-level optical device includes a substrate having a baseline level. At least one feature is disposed at a level above the baseline level. At least one feature is disposed at a level below the baseline level, or in the feature above the baseline level is located at a distance apart from the feature below the baseline level. The distance has an accuracy in the range of approximately $\pm 0.05 \mu\text{m}$ to less than approximately $\pm 1.0 \mu\text{m}$. A method of fabricating an optical device includes forming at least one feature at a level of above a baseline level of a substrate; and forming at least one feature at a baseline level below the baseline level of the substrate, wherein the feature at a level above the baseline level and the feature at a level below the baseline level are patterned in a single-mask step using a multi-level mask.

Type: Application**Filed:** August 13, 2007**Publication date:** February 28, 2008**Applicant:** Shipley Company, L.L.C.**Inventors:** Dan Steinberg, David Sherrer[Device package and methods for the fabrication and testing thereof](#)**Publication number:** 20070164419

Abstract: Provided are methods of forming sealed via structures. One method involves: (a) providing a semiconductor substrate having a first surface and a second surface opposite the first surface; (b) forming a layer on the first surface of the substrate; (c) etching a via hole through the substrate from the second surface to the layer, the via hole having a first perimeter at the first surface; (d) forming an aperture in the layer, wherein the aperture has a second perimeter within the first perimeter; and (e) providing a conductive structure for sealing the via structure. Also provided are sealed via structures, methods of detecting leakage in a sealed device package, sealed device packages, device packages having cooling structures, and methods of bonding a first component to a second component.

Type: Application**Filed:** October 31, 2006**Publication date:** July 19, 2007**Applicant:** Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Larry Rasnake, John Fisher[Coaxial waveguide microstructures having an active device and methods of formation thereof](#)**Publication number:** 20070152782

Abstract: Provided are coaxial waveguide microstructures. The microstructures include a substrate and a coaxial waveguide disposed above the substrate. The coaxial waveguide includes: a center conductor; an outer conductor including one or more walls, spaced apart from and disposed around the center conductor; one or more dielectric support members for supporting the center conductor in contact with the center conductor and enclosed within the outer conductor; and a core volume between the center conductor and the outer conductor, wherein the core volume is under vacuum or in a gas state. Also provided are methods of forming coaxial waveguide microstructures by a sequential build process and hermetic packages which include a coaxial waveguide microstructure.

Type: Application**Filed:** December 12, 2006**Publication date:** July 5, 2007**Applicant:** Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, John Fisher[Micro-optical device](#)**Publication number:** 20070092178

Abstract: The present invention provides a micro-optical device which may be used as an optical pigtailed assembly for waveguides. In an exemplary configuration the assembly includes a first chip which includes an optoelectronic component and an optical fiber. The optical fiber and optoelectronic component are coupled with an optical component, such as one or more waveguides on an integrated optic chip.

Type: Application**Filed:** October 11, 2006**Publication date:** April 26, 2007**Applicant:** Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC**Inventors:** Carl Gaebe, Noel Heiks, David Sherrer

[*Device package and methods for the fabrication and testing thereof*](#)**Publication number:** 20070072321

Abstract: Provided are methods of forming sealed via structures. One method involves: (a) providing a semiconductor substrate having a first surface and a second surface opposite the first surface; (b) forming a layer on the first surface of the substrate; (c) etching a via hole through the substrate from the second surface to the layer, the via hole having a first perimeter at the first surface; (d) forming an aperture in the layer, wherein the aperture has a second perimeter within the first perimeter; and (e) providing a conductive structure for sealing the via structure. Also provided are sealed via structures, methods of detecting leakage in a sealed device package, sealed device packages, device packages having cooling structures, and methods of bonding a first component to a second component.

Type: Application**Filed:** October 31, 2006**Publication date:** March 29, 2007**Applicant:** Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Larry Rasnake, John Fisher[*Device package and methods for the fabrication and testing thereof*](#)**Publication number:** 20070040268

Abstract: Provided are methods of forming sealed via structures. One method involves: (a) providing a semiconductor substrate having a first surface and a second surface opposite the first surface; (b) forming a layer on the first surface of the substrate; (c) etching a via hole through the substrate from the second surface to the layer, the via hole having a first perimeter at the first surface; (d) forming an aperture in the layer, wherein the aperture has a second perimeter within the first perimeter; and (e) providing a conductive structure for sealing the via structure. Also provided are sealed via structures, methods of detecting leakage in a sealed device package, sealed device packages, device packages having cooling structures, and methods of bonding a first component to a second component.

Type: Application**Filed:** October 31, 2006**Publication date:** February 22, 2007**Applicant:** Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Larry Rasnake, John Fisher[*Optical device package*](#)**Publication number:** 20060284294

Abstract: An optical device package includes a substrate having an upper surface, a distal end, a proximal end, and distal and proximal longitudinally extending notches co-linearly aligned with each other. A structure is mounted to the substrate and has at least one recessed portion. The structure can be a lid or a frame to which a lid is bonded. An optical fiber is positioned within at least one of the proximal longitudinally extending notch and the distal longitudinally extending notch and within the recessed portion of the structure mounted to the substrate. The optical device package can also include conductive legs extending upwardly from bonding pads on the upper surface of the substrate to facilitate flip mounting of the optical device package onto a circuit board or other such platform.

Type: Application**Filed:** August 11, 2006**Publication date:** December 21, 2006**Applicants:** Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Mindaugas Dautartas, Neil Ricks, Dan Steinberg[*Optoelectronic component*](#)**Publication number:** 20060278821

Abstract: Provided are optoelectronic components which include an optoelectronic device mounted on a silicon substrate and a flexible circuit electrically connected to the optoelectronic device.

Type: Application**Filed:** August 18, 2006**Publication date:** December 14, 2006**Applicant:** Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Noel Heiks[*Optical device package*](#)**Publication number:** 20060278814

Abstract: An optical microbench configured to facilitate wafer-level testing of opto-electronic devices is provided. The optical microbench includes an optoelectronic device mounted to a wafer in which the optical microbench is provided.

The optical microbench also includes a beam deflector provided in the wafer and disposed along the optical path of the optoelectronic device. The beam deflector is configured to deflect a portion of the optical path to lie along a direction oriented out of the plane of the wafer. The optical microbench further includes an optical feed-through disposed along the optical path between the optoelectronic device and the beam deflector. The optical feed-through is configured to conduct an optical signal between the beam deflector and the optoelectronic device. A method for testing optoelectronic devices at the wafer level is also provided.

Type: Application

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Publication date: December 14, 2006

Applicants: Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC

Inventor: David Sherrer

[Optical waveguide devices and methods of fabricating the same](#)

Publication number: 20060275012

Abstract: A first waveguide holding member has a first transverse surface region and a first optical waveguide having an end terminating at the first transverse surface region. A second waveguide holding member has a second transverse surface region which confronts the first transverse surface region of the first waveguide holding member and a second optical waveguide having an end terminating at the second transverse surface region. A guide member is operatively coupled to the first and second waveguide holding members and guides the first waveguide holding member in a transverse direction relative to the second waveguide holding member so as to selectively optically couple and decouple the ends of the first and second optical waveguides.

Type: Application

Filed: June 5, 2006

Publication date: December 7, 2006

Inventors: Dan Steinberg, David Sherrer, Mindaugas Dautartas, Donald Leber

[Micro-optical device and method of making same](#)

Publication number: 20060174652

Abstract: Micro-optical devices and methods of making the same are disclosed, wherein the disclosed micro-optical devices and methods include passive alignment features.

Type: Application

Filed: January 19, 2006

Publication date: August 10, 2006

Inventors: Garo Khanarian, Margaret Pafford, David Sherrer

[Coaxial waveguide microstructures and methods of formation thereof](#)

Publication number: 20060164190

Abstract: Provided are coaxial waveguide microstructures. The microstructures include a substrate and a coaxial waveguide disposed above the substrate. The coaxial waveguide includes: a center conductor; an outer conductor including one or more walls, spaced apart from and disposed around the center conductor; one or more dielectric support members for supporting the center conductor in contact with the center conductor and enclosed within the outer conductor; and a core volume between the center conductor and the outer conductor, wherein the core volume is under vacuum or in a gas state. Also provided are methods of forming coaxial waveguide microstructures by a sequential build process and hermetic packages which include a coaxial waveguide microstructure.

Type: Application

Filed: December 22, 2005

Publication date: July 27, 2006

Applicant: Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials LLC

Inventors: David Sherrer, John Fisher

[Optoelectronic component](#)

Publication number: 20060006320

Abstract: Provided are optoelectronic components which include an optoelectronic device and a structure for self-aligning the optoelectronic device. Also provided are optoelectronic modules and methods of forming optoelectronic components.

Type: Application

Filed: September 9, 2005

Publication date: January 12, 2006

Applicant: ROHM AND HAAS ELECTRONIC MATERIALS LLC **Inventors:** David Sherrer, Noel Heiks

[Optoelectronic component](#)**Publication number:** 20060006321**Abstract:** Provided are optoelectronic components which include an optoelectronic device and a structure for self-aligning the optoelectronic device. Also provided are optoelectronic modules and methods of forming optoelectronic components.**Type:** Application**Filed:** September 9, 2005**Publication date:** January 12, 2006**Applicant:** ROHM AND HAAS ELECTRONIC MATERIALS LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Noel Heiks[Optoelectronic component](#)**Publication number:** 20060006313**Abstract:** Provided are optoelectronic components which include an optoelectronic device and a structure for self-aligning the optoelectronic device. Also provided are optoelectronic modules and methods of forming optoelectronic components.**Type:** Application**Filed:** September 7, 2005**Publication date:** January 12, 2006**Applicant:** ROHM AND HAAS ELECTRONIC MATERIALS LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Noel Heiks[Optoelectronic component](#)**Publication number:** 20050218317**Abstract:** Provided are optoelectronic components which include an optoelectronic device and a structure for self-aligning the optoelectronic device. Also provided are optoelectronic modules and methods of forming optoelectronic components.**Type:** Application**Filed:** May 27, 2005**Publication date:** October 6, 2005**Applicant:** ROHM AND HAAS ELECTRONIC MATERIALS LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Noel Heiks[Optoelectronic component](#)**Publication number:** 20050205771**Abstract:** Provided are optoelectronic components which contain an optoelectronic device and an encapsulant.**Type:** Application**Filed:** May 9, 2005**Publication date:** September 22, 2005**Applicant:** ROHM AND HAAS ELECTRONIC MATERIALS LLC**Inventors:** David Sherrer, Noel Heiks[Optical waveguide termination with vertical and horizontal mode shaping](#)**Publication number:** 20050202554**Abstract:** An optical device is disclosed which includes a single-mode waveguide (700) which supports a first optical mode in a first region and a second optical mode in a second region. The waveguide includes a guiding layer (703) having at least one wing (750) extended outwardly from the guiding layer (703). The guiding layer (703) may desirably have a rib waveguide (706, 707) cross sectional shape at the wings. The wings (750) decrease in width along the length of the guiding layer to convert a rib waveguide mode at the wings to a channel waveguide mode.**Type:** Application**Filed:** December 5, 2002**Publication date:** September 15, 2005**Inventors:** Hui Luo, Mindaugas Dautartas, Dan Steinberg, David Sherrer[Optical device package](#)**Publication number:** 20050180701**Abstract:** An optical device package includes a substrate having a top portion with an a recess for receiving an optical semiconductor component and an elongated linear groove for receiving an optical fiber. The optical fiber is positioned within the groove in said substrate such that the top surface of the optical fiber is substantially at or below the upper

surface of the substrate and the optical fiber is operatively aligned with the optical semiconductor component for the transfer of optical signals therebetween. A frame is hermetically sealed to the upper surface of the substrate.

Type: Application

Filed: March 15, 2005

Publication date: August 18, 2005

Applicant: Shipley Company, L.L.C.

Inventors: Dan Steinberg, David Sherrer, Mindaugas Dautargas

Optical interface assembly and method of formation

Publication number: 20050163431

Abstract: Optical interface assemblies are provided. The optical interface assemblies include a first portion having a plurality of optical waveguides. The first portion is configured for mating engagement with an optical fiber connector. A second portion is mated to the first portion. The second portion is configured for mating engagement with an electronic substrate that includes an embedded waveguide assembly. The first and second portions are further configured so as to align the plurality of optical waveguides, at a first end of the first portion, with a plurality of corresponding waveguide cores of the embedded waveguide assembly. The first and second portions are further configured so as to align the plurality of optical waveguides, at a second end of the first portion, with a plurality of corresponding optical fibers in the optical fiber connector. Also provided are electronic assemblies and methods for coupling optical fibers with electronic substrate embedded waveguides.

Type: Application

Filed: December 22, 2004

Publication date: July 28, 2005

Inventors: Matthew Moynihan, Bruno Sicard, Carl Colangelo, John Cahalen, Brian Amos, Kevin Horgan, John Fisher, David Sherrer

Device package and method for the fabrication and testing thereof

Publication number: 20050110157

Abstract: Provided are methods of forming sealed via structures. One method involves: (a) providing a semiconductor substrate having a first surface and a second surface opposite the first surface; (b) forming a layer on the first surface of the substrate; (c) etching a via hole through the substrate from the second surface to the layer, the via hole having a first perimeter at the first surface; (d) forming an aperture in the layer, wherein the aperture has a second perimeter within the first perimeter; and (e) providing a conductive structure for sealing the via structure. Also provided are sealed via structures, methods of detecting leakage in a sealed device package, sealed device packages, device packages having cooling structures, and methods of bonding a first component to a second component.

Type: Application

Filed: September 15, 2004

Publication date: May 26, 2005

Applicant: Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials, L.L.C.

Inventors: David Sherrer, Larry Rasnake, John Fisher

Device package and methods for the fabrication and testing thereof

Publication number: 20050111797

Abstract: Provided are optoelectronic device packages. The packages include a base substrate having an optoelectronic device mounting region on a surface of the base substrate and a lid mounting region. An optoelectronic device is mounted on the optoelectronic device mounting region. A lid is mounted on the lid mounting region to form an enclosed volume between the base substrate and the lid. The optoelectronic device is in the enclosed volume. The lid has an optically transmissive region suitable for transmitting light of a given wavelength along an optical path to or from the optoelectronic device, wherein at least a portion of the lid mounting region is disposed along the optical path below the surface of the base substrate to a depth below the optical path. Also provided are wafer or grid level optoelectronic device packages, wafer- or grid-level optoelectronic device package lid and their methods of formation, and connectorized optoelectronic devices.

Type: Application

Filed: September 15, 2004

Publication date: May 26, 2005

Applicant: Rohm and Haas Electronic Materials, L.L.C.

Inventors: David Sherrer, Larry Rasnake, John Fisher

[Optical switch assembly with flex plate and method for making](#)

Publication number: 20050074201

Abstract: An optical switch and method for assembling are described. Optical arrays are mounted on a flex plate with an interface between them. The direction of certain forces on the flex plate allows coupling/decoupling of the optical arrays. The flex plate includes an area which exhibits a different flex profile than the remainder of the flex plate and that is located beneath the optical arrays interface. Flexing of the flex plate optically couples the optical arrays. A tool with grooves is used to align the optical arrays relative to each other. The tool uses grooves and spheres to mate with the optical arrays in such a way as to provide an appropriate interface between the optical arrays.

Type: Application

Filed: September 30, 2004

Publication date: April 7, 2005

Inventors: David Sherrer, John Fisher

[Method of fabricating optical filters](#)

Publication number: 20050003665

Abstract: A method of fabricating optical filter is disclosed. The method includes providing the substrate and selectively etching the substrate to form a plurality of freestanding layers. A plurality of dielectric layers is disposed over an outer surface of each of the freestanding layers. The resultant optical filters may be used in a variety of applications including etalon applications.

Type: Application

Filed: June 2, 2004

Publication date: January 6, 2005

Inventors: Dan Steinberg, Mindaugas Dautartas, David Sherrer