

MICRO-707

**Microstructuring of glass**

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Advanced Manufacturing		Opt.
Microsystems and Microelectronics		Opt.

Language of teaching	English
Credits	1
Session	
Exam	Oral
Workload	30h
<b>Hours</b>	<b>16</b>
Courses	16
<b>Number of positions</b>	

**Frequency**

Every year

**Remark**

May 31 &amp; June 1, 2021 - Online

**Summary**

The course will provide fundamental key aspects governing glass as a material and the microstructuring of glass using a variety of techniques, like dry and wet etching, mechanical and laser machining, as well as sol gel technology. Also concrete application examples will be discussed.

**Content**

## 1. Glass as a material

Definition, structure, composition, properties and kinds of glasses

## 2. Techniques for the microstructuring of glass

Wet etching, dry etching, ultrasonic drilling, powder blasting, laser structuring and photosensitive glass

## 3. Replication of glass microstructures

The sol-gel process (spin-on-glass), photosensitive spin-on-glass, the replication process (moulding, de-moulding, annealing)

## 4. Bonding of glass

Anodic bonding, fusion bonding, pressure-assisted bonding, chemical bonding

## 5. Applications of glass microstructures

- a. Optical systems (Wave guides, gratings, lenses)
- b. Bio-chemical systems (Bio-separation and microfluidics, biosensors)
- c. Mechanical systems (Pressure sensors, inkjet printing heads)

**Keywords**

Glass, microstructuring, replication, sol-gel process, bonding

**Learning Prerequisites****Recommended courses**

- Introductory course to materials science or microfabrication technologies
- Basics of chemistry and physics

