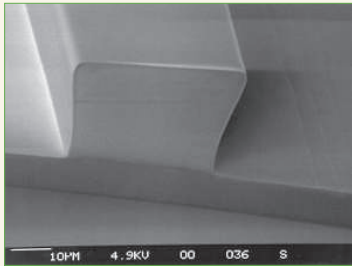
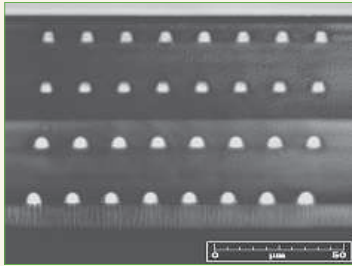


# Core and Cladding systems for waveguiding

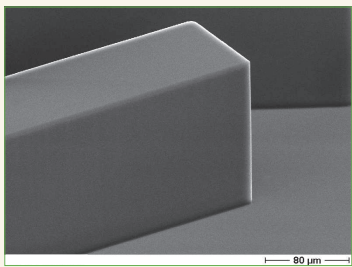
## Comparison of the material systems OrmoCore & OrmoClad and EpoCore & EpoClad



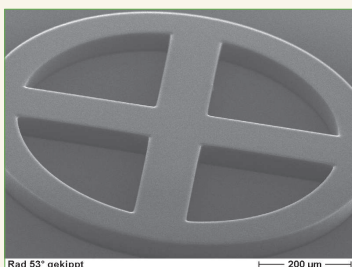
Undercladding of OrmoClad and 30 µm Ormocore of a multimode waveguide on silicon - ACREO/ Schweden



Multilayer optical fan out consisting of 5 µm Ormocore on OrmoClad FHG - IOF/ Jena



EpoCore Waveguide with smooth surface and vertical sidewalls



No microcracks on critical spots of EpoCore pattern

OrmoCore and OrmoClad	EpoCore and EpoClad
lowest optical loss, main application in tele communication (1310 nm, 1500 nm) and data communication (600 – 900 nm)	low loss, main application in opto-electronical devices of the printed circuits boards industry (850 nm)
<b>Properties</b>	
UV curing, inorganic-organic hybrid polymer, solvent free, high-viscosity, silicon-containing	UV curing, solvent containing, high-viscosity, epoxy based
<b>Optical loss</b>	
< 0.06 dB/ cm @ 630 nm < 0.2 dB/ cm @ 1310 nm < 0.6 dB/ cm @ 1550 nm	0.2 dB/ cm @ 830 nm
<b>Processing</b>	
liquid, high-viscosity, sticky layer after prebake, proximity exposure or contact exposure with anti-adhesion layer on mask, no post exposure bake, hardbake recommended	solid, non-sticky layer after prebake, proximity or contact exposure, post exposure bake, hardbake optional
<b>Thermal stability</b>	
270 °C	230 °C
<b>Shrinkage</b>	
2 – 5 %	< 3 %
<b>Refractive index</b>	

### Hybrid polymers (ORMOCER®s) - OrmoCore and OrmoClad

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