



## **Novaled AG**

**Technology Entrepreneurship am KIT 2.2.2011**

**Jan Blochwitz-Nimoth, Founder, CSO Novaled AG**

## Outline

- › **Novaled development 2001-2010**
- › **Novaled management tools**
- › **Novaled technology: doping, OLED, other organic electronics**

**Novaleds markets: OLED display, OLED lighting, OPV,  
Electronic**

## Novaled at a Glance

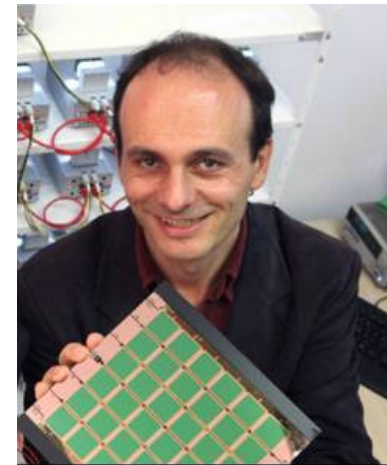
Foundation and Legal form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› 2001 by Karl Leo, Jan Blochwitz-Nimoth, Martin Pfeiffer, Jörg Amelung as a spin-off of TU Dresden and FhG to commercialize OLED technology</li><li>› Stock corporation by March 2006</li></ul>
Today	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› World leader in energy-saving in the field of small-molecule OLEDs and OLED applications with the Novaled PIN® technology and materials</li></ul>
Turnover and Financing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› 2010: €11.2 Mio. (2009: €8.1 Mio.); CAGR: &gt;30% in the last 3 years</li><li>› Venture capital funded, 3rd round of financing in 2009</li></ul>
IP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› &gt; 400 patents, the largest number in the molecular (organic) doping field</li></ul>
Personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› A business driven organization with skills in Physics, Optics &amp; Chemistry; Assembly &amp; Manufacturing; Marketing &amp; Sales</li><li>› Headcount: 100</li></ul>
Offices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>› HQ: Dresden with presence in Japan (office), Taiwan and Korea (agents)</li></ul>

## Novaled founders team 2001-2003



**Prof. Karl Leo**

- Prof. TUD-IAPP  
& Institutsleiter Fraunhofer;
- Involved in Spin-Offs: CreaPhys,  
Novaled, Sim4Tec, Heliatek,  
LedOnOLED



**Dr. Martin Pfeiffer**

- PhD at IAPP on doped  
organic semiconductors
- co-founder of Heliatek



**Dr. Jan Blochwitz-  
Nimoth**

- PhD at IAPP on PIN-OLEDs



**Jörg Amelung**

- physics Uni Darmstadt,  
Elektronik
- co-founder of LedOnOLED

## Involvement of TU Dresden and Fraunhofer

### TU Dresden

- › Framework Agreement closed before 1st financing round (conditional)
- › TUDAG becomes shareholder of Novaled
  - › TUD profits from value development of Novaled without limiting freedom to operate for Novaled
- › Novaled has first right to purchase IAPP IP on Organic electronic
- › Intensive scientific cooperation agreed

### FhG-IPMS

- › Framework Agreement on cooperation closed before 1st financing round
- › Fraunhofer role: help bridging transition from idea to product

## Novaled's co-operation with TU Dresden

### At the beginning:

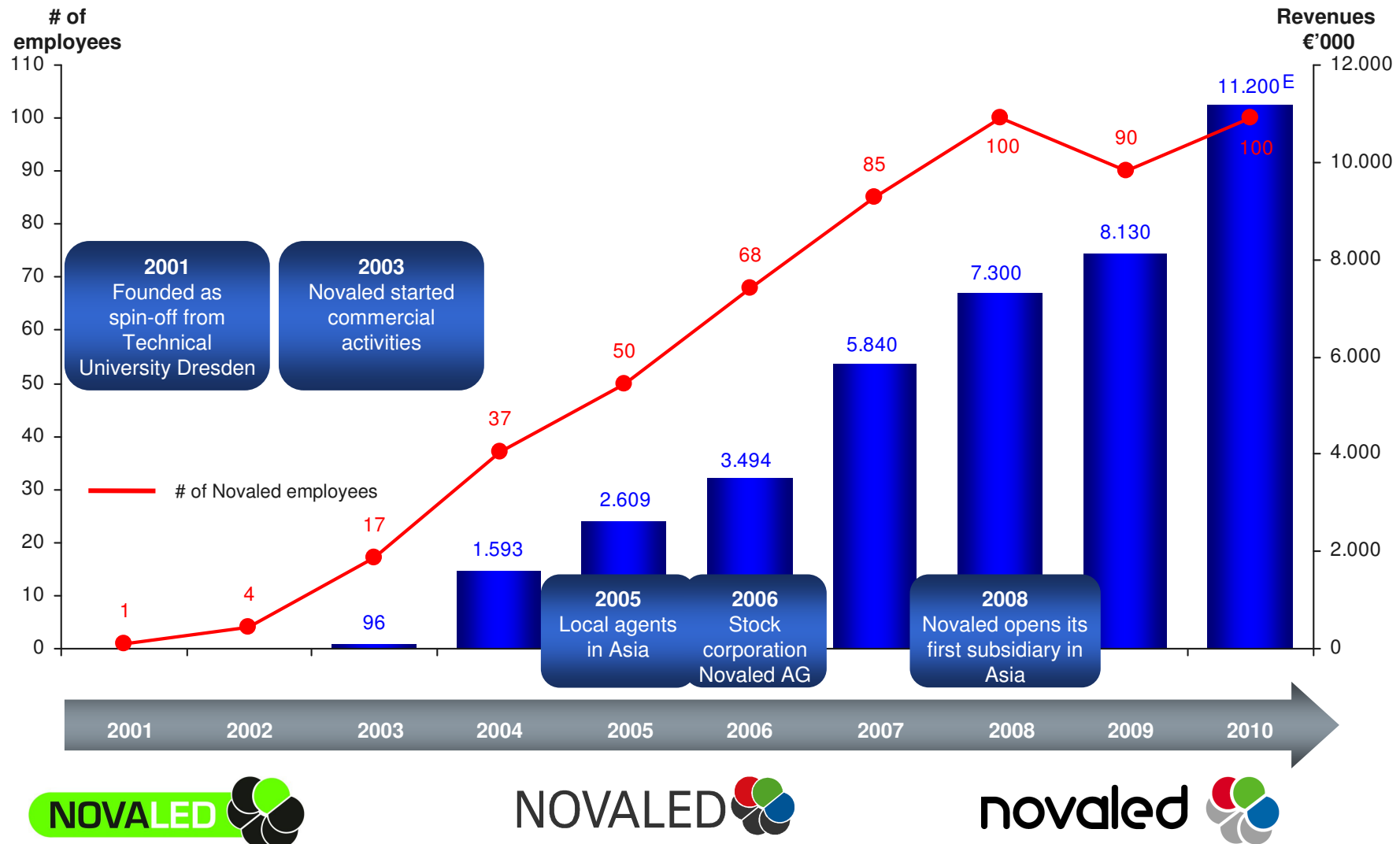
- › Co-use of laboratories
- › First offices
- › Sample production for University
- › Hiring people
- › Partially parallel development

### Today:

- › Novaled finances basic research project
- › Cooperation in local networks
- › Discussion on lower levels
- › Make know-how available (e.g. equipment) in both directions

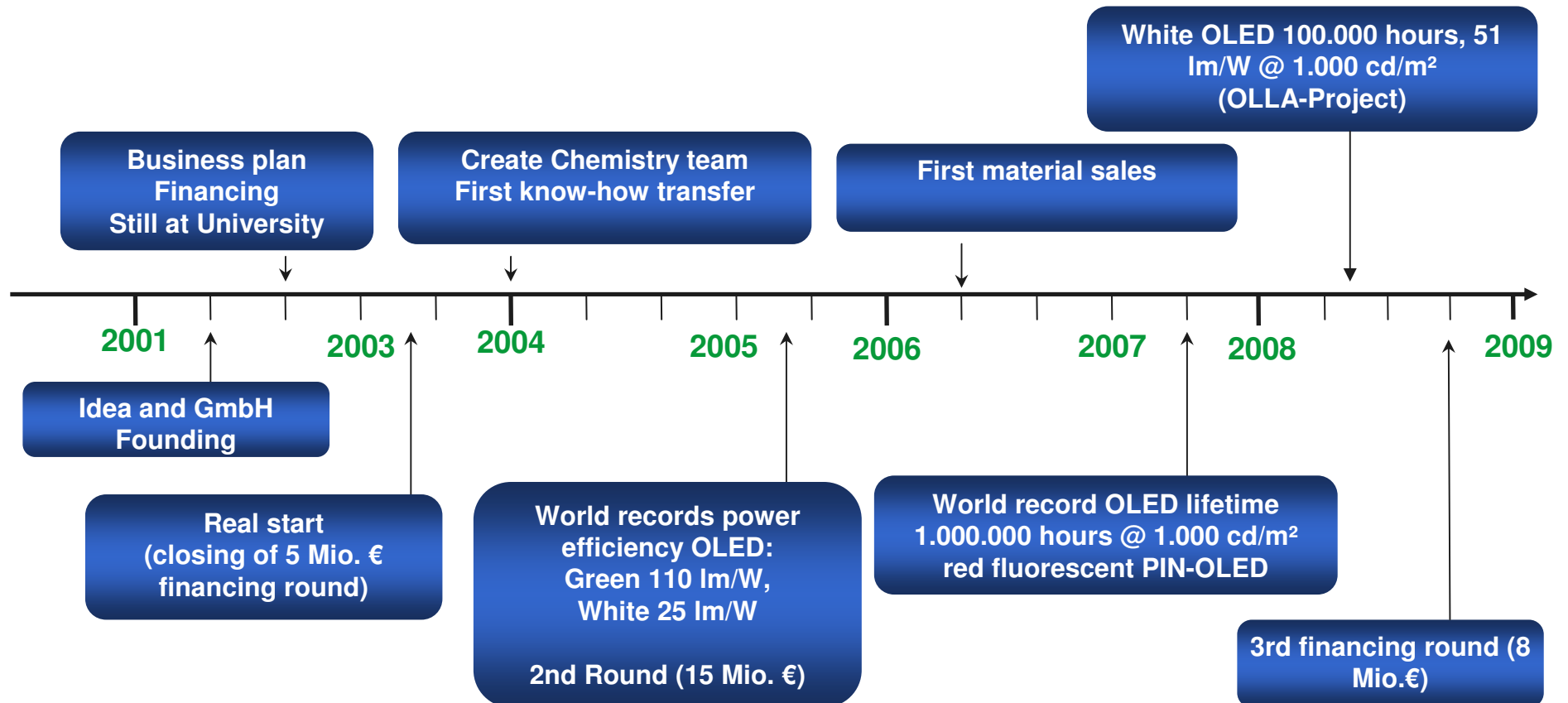


## NovaLED - A Unique Growth Story





## Our Way





## Financial Backing by Leading Capital Firms



## Public Funding

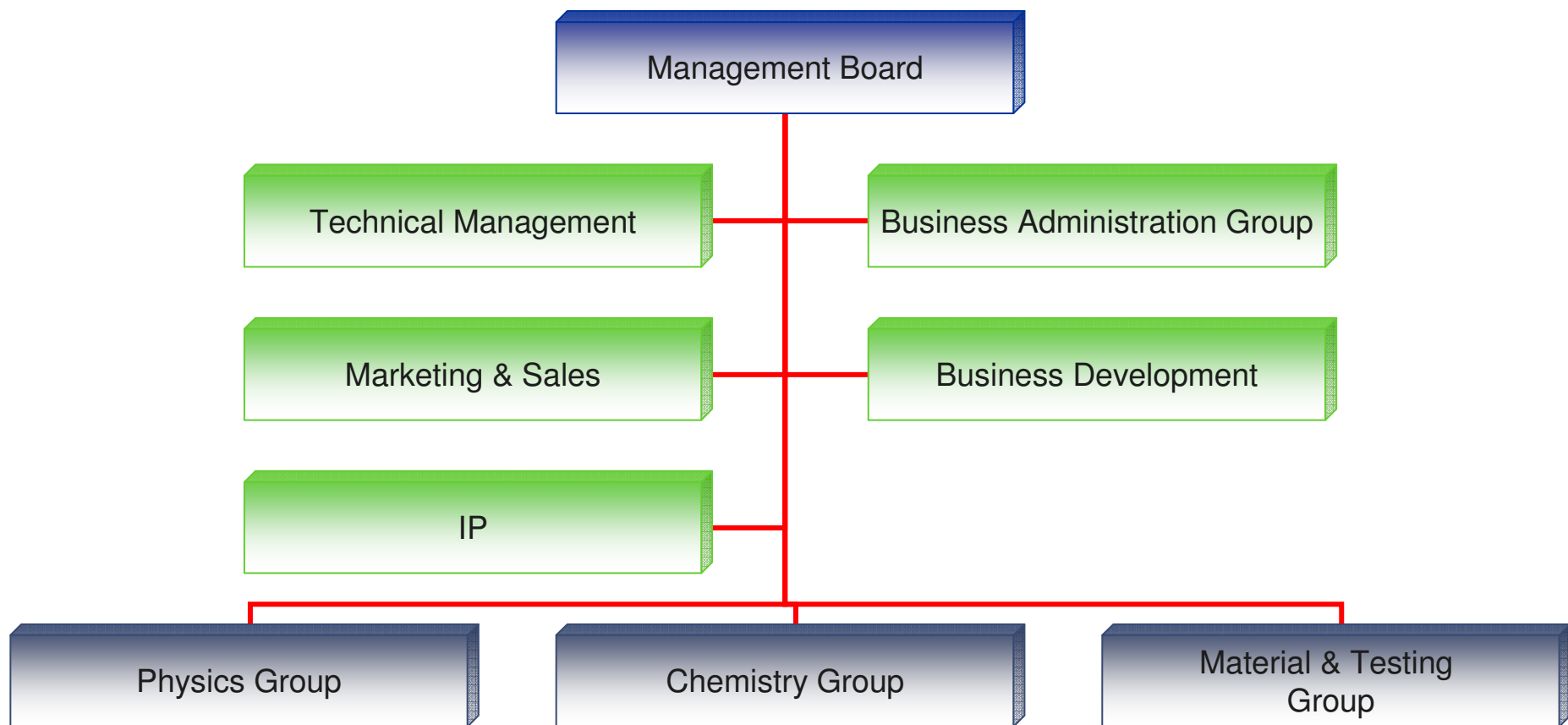
- › Novaled fast growth not possible without public funding
- › Even before 1st round of financing: verbal commitment by Saxony to support a Novaled project
- › Financial support by public funding from
  - › Saxony: early phase, more early stage projects
  - › BMBF: OLED and OPV Initiatives
  - › BMWA: smaller SME related projects
  - › EU (FP6, FP7, mainly ICT program): OLED lighting



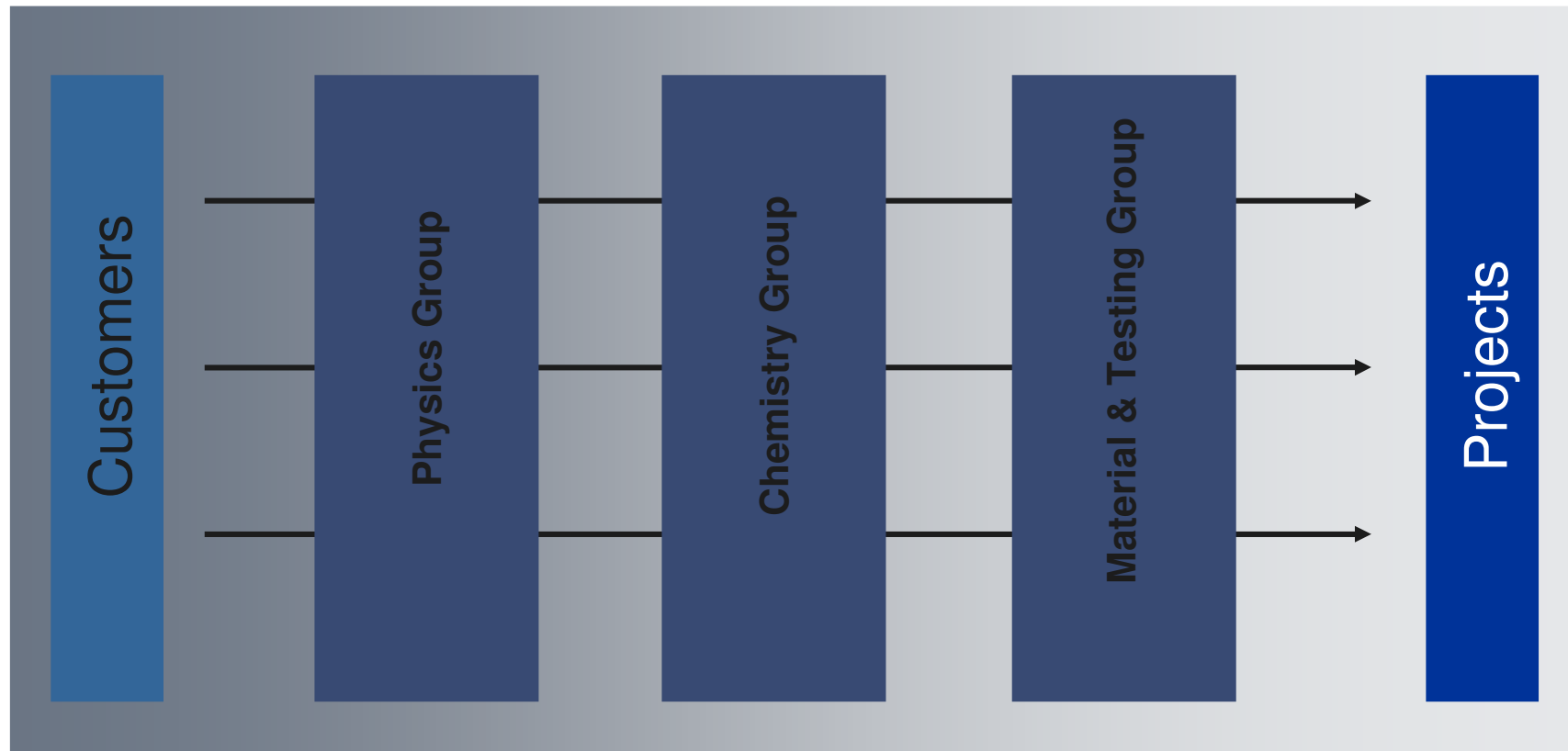
## **Novaled Organization development**

- › **‘Letterbox company’: 2001-2003**
  - › Founders are still at University or Fraunhofer
- › **GmbH (German limited liability company): 2003-2005**
  - › 2 Managing Director (Geschäftsführer)
  - › Supervised by Advisory Board (4 members)
  - › 3 Groups (Physics, Chemistry, Manufacturing&Testing)
  - › Project driven matrix structure
- › **AG (stock corporation, non-traded): 2005-today**
  - › 3 Management Board Members (Vorstände, first CEO, CTO, CFO; today CEO, CFO, CMO)
  - › Supervised by Supervisory Board (6 members: 4 risk investors, 1 founder, 1 industry)
  - › 3-4 Groups, project structure changes every 1-2 years
  - › In 2009: created business line structure (stopped matrix organization)

## **Novaled Organisation around 2007: matrix structure I**



## Novaled Organisation around 2007: matrix structure II



Cross-functional-organisation

## Novaled managing directors and later Management Board 2003-2009



**Gildas Sorin (2003)**  
Managing director, later  
CEO;  
Background in  
Electronics, Manager in  
Thomson and Philips

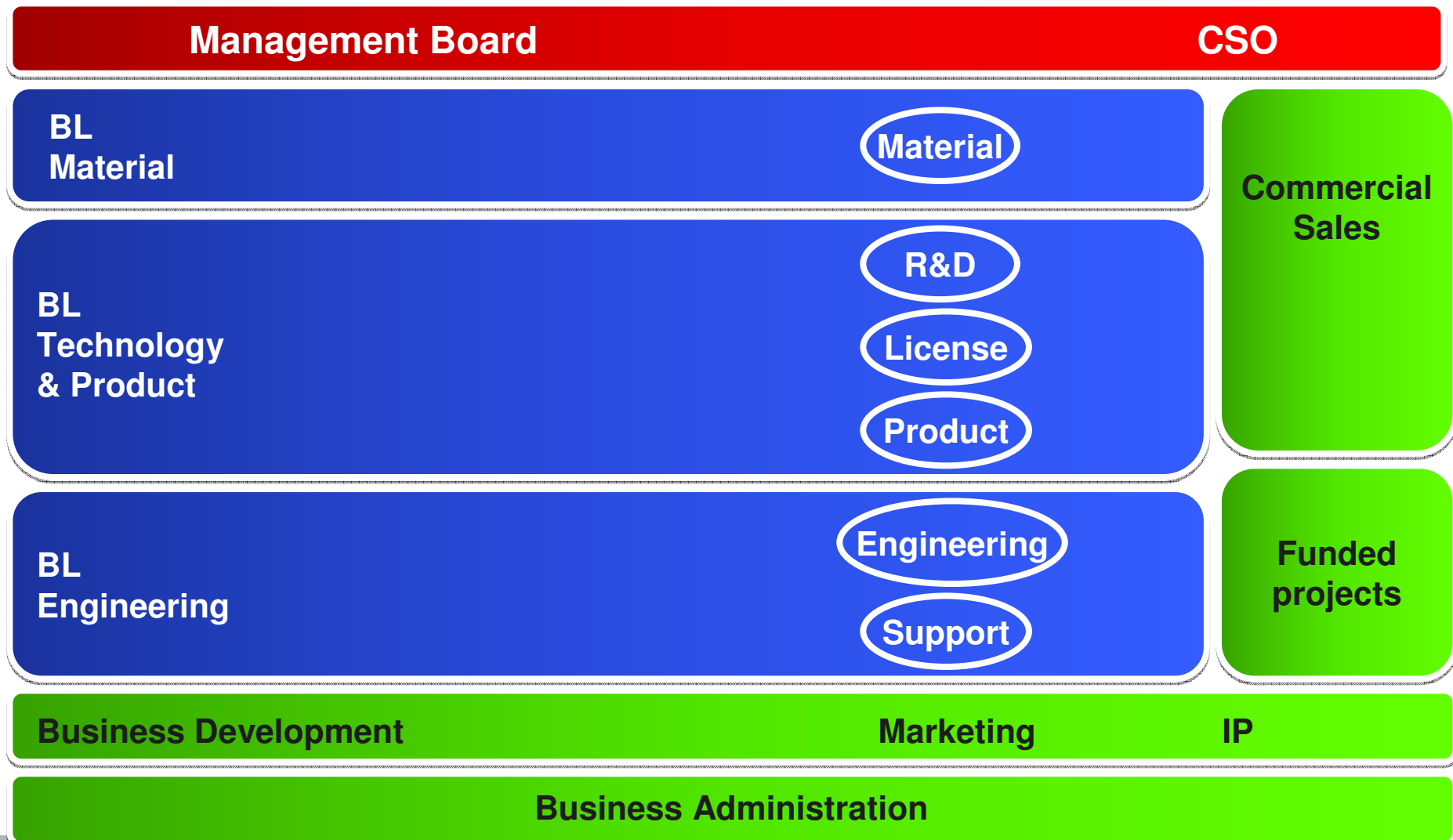


**Dr. Jan Blochwitz-  
Nimoth (2001)**  
Managing Director, later  
CTO,  
Background in Physics,  
Optics



**Harry Böhme (2006)**  
CFO  
Background in Legal,  
Finance, Manager in  
Intershop

## Novaled organization 2010





## Novaled Management Board 2011



**Gildas Sorin**

*Chief Executive Officer  
Director*

- › 30 years international exposure
- › Long high tech business management experience



**Harry Boehme**

*Chief Financial Officer  
Director*

- › 18 years experience in corporate law and corporate finance in high tech industries



**Gerd Guenther**

*Chief Marketing Officer  
Director*

- › 20 years international and management experience in the consumer electronics field

## **Novaled and Quality management**

### **› 2001-2003**

- › nothing

### **› 2003 till 2006**

- › Implementation of first management tools (BBS, PPS)
- › To be considered: research staff usually skeptical

### **› 2006 - today**

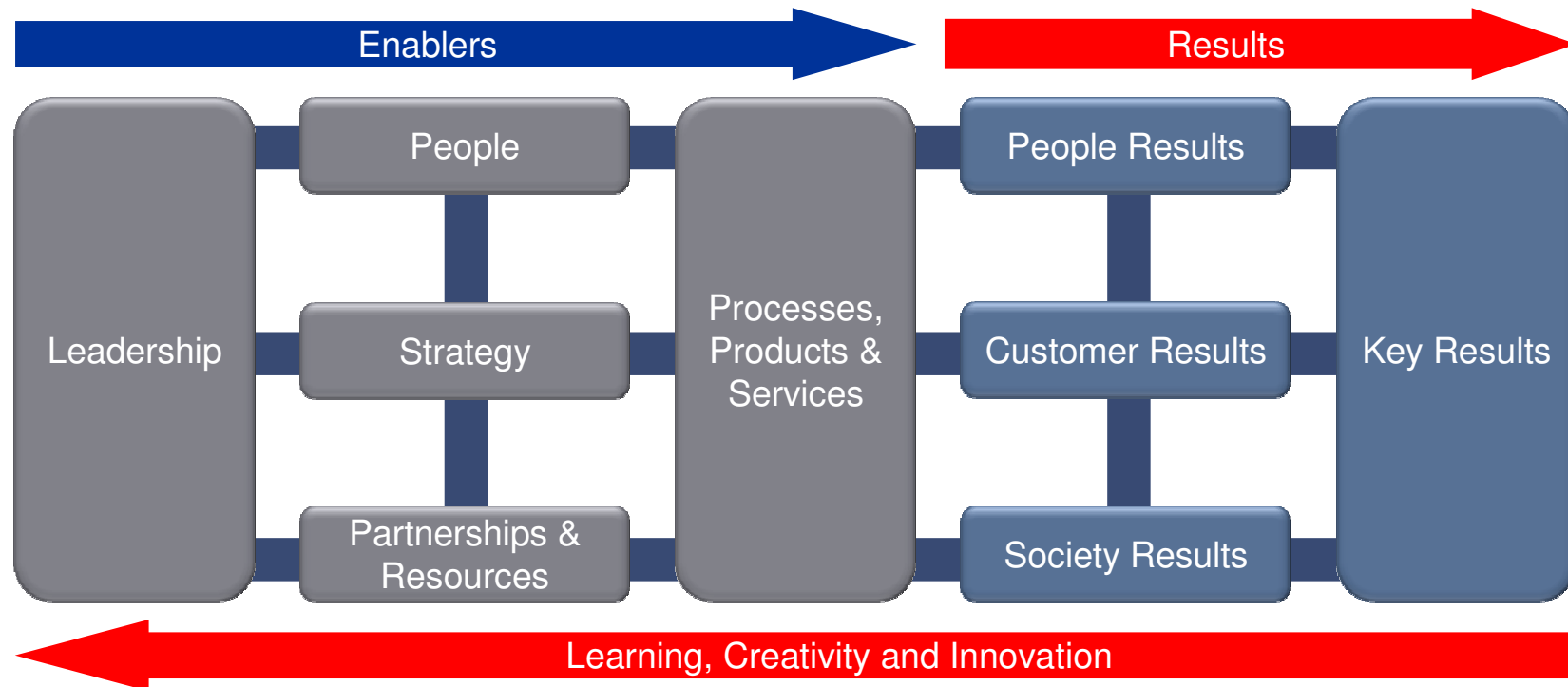
- › Decision for EFQM: total quality approach
- › Circumvent ISO as long as possible (due to fabless approach this is feasible)
- › EFQM Committed to Excellence Award 2008
- › Quality Audits passed
- › EFQM Excellence 5 Star Award 2010
  - › Seems rare at such early stage

### **› 2011:**

- › ISO to be done (customer request with growing business)

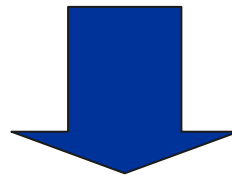
## Novaled - an Active Member of the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM)

- › Novaled's Total Quality Approach
- › EFQM-Model of Excellence as management framework



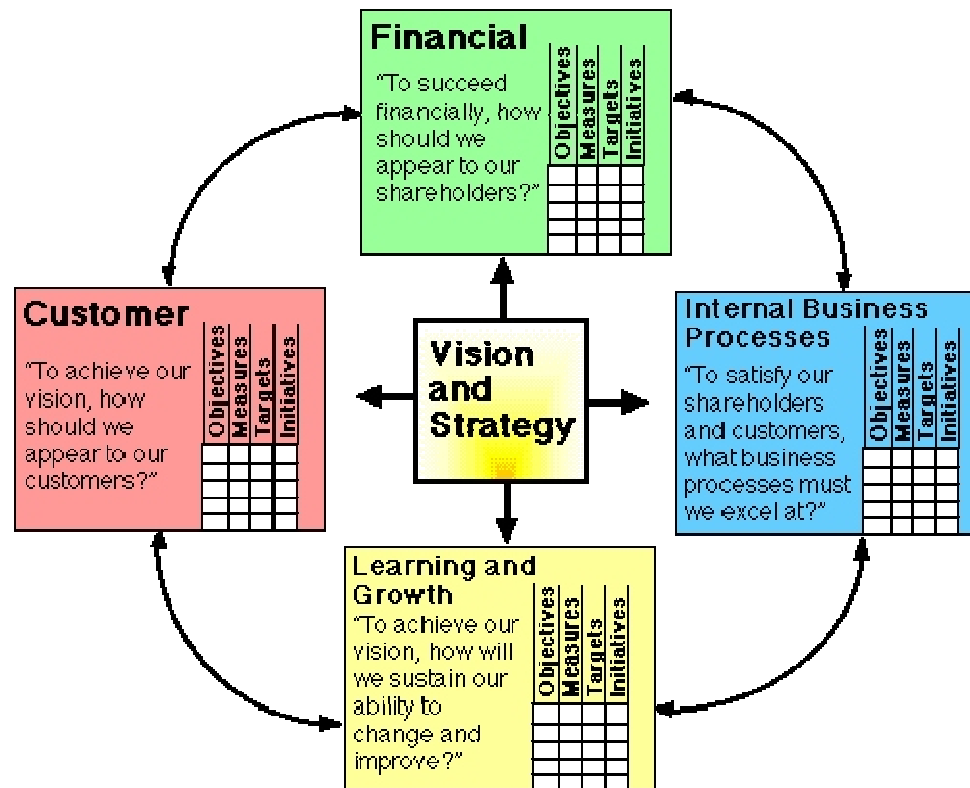
## Business Balanced Scorecard (BBS)

- › Target:
  - › Performance Measurement
  - › Managing Performance
  - › To hold everyone responsible for the Company business objectives
- › Focus on the crucial factors - Critical Success Factors (CSF) - for business success/ achieving the strategic goals and creating value



- › Present the factors in a chain of four perspectives

## BBS - Four Perspectives



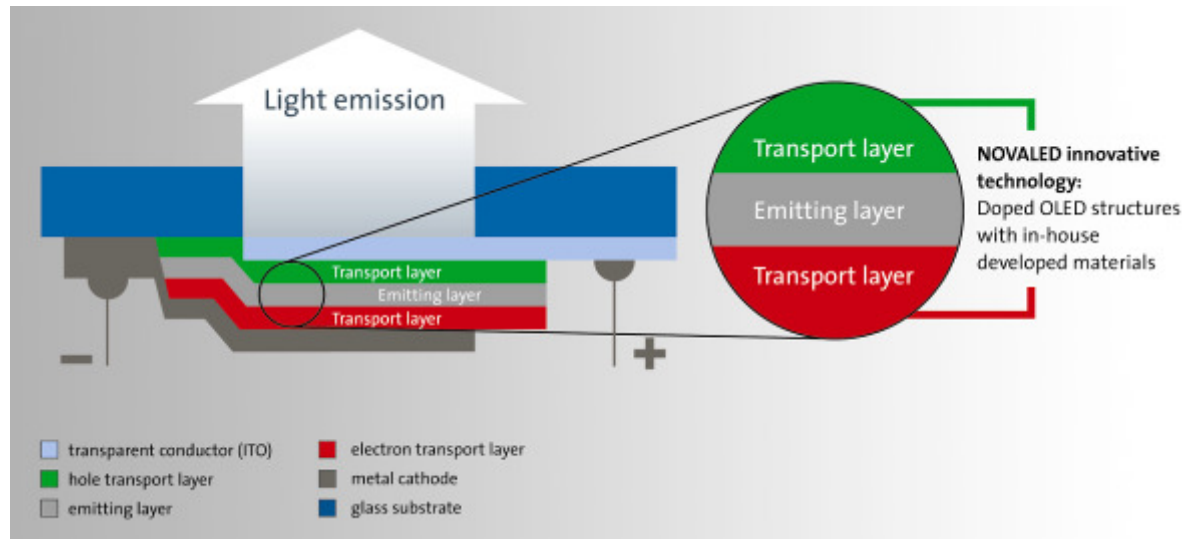
Key performance indicators (KPI's) to measure the critical success factors have to be

**SMART:**

- *Specific,*
- *Measurable,*
- *Ambitious,*
- *Realistic,*
- *Time phased*

## **Novaled Technology & Markets**

## Novaled OLED Technology



Basic OLED scheme bottom emission

Novaled develops an innovative highly efficient OLED structure based on proprietary doping materials



**World Leader in Power Efficiency**

### OLED Benefits

- › Ultra Thin (<150 Nanometer)
- › Excellent color and contrast
- › 180° viewing angle
- › Large area diffuse light source
- › Transparent

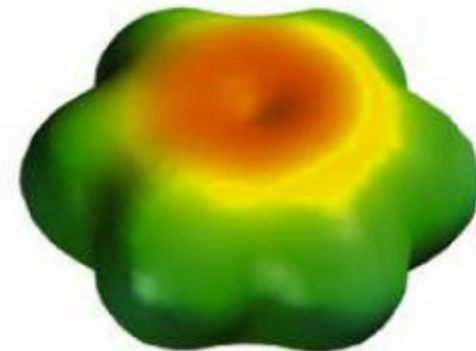
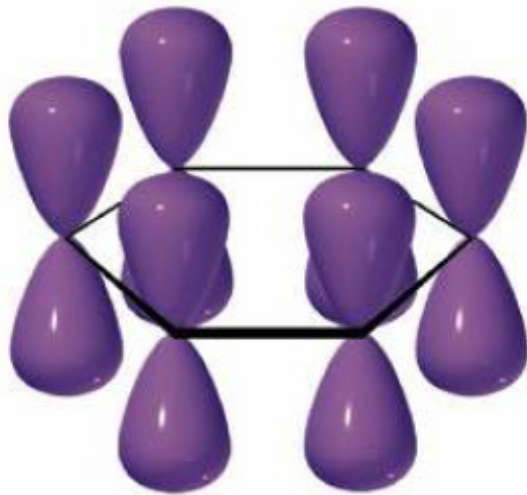
### Advantages for Novaled Customers

- › Extremely low operating voltage
- › Highest efficiency
- › Inverted, top-emitting structures
- › Transparent, metal-free OLEDs
- › Easy integration on all substrates



## Organic Semiconductors

Delocalized pi-electron systems, Example: Benzene

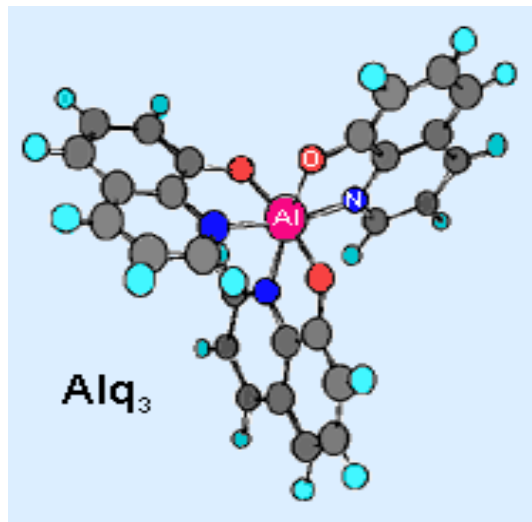


Source: T. Däubler, Botest systems

- › **Electrons are delocalized over the molecule**
- › **Positive and negative charges can be stabilized**
- ›  **$\pi$ -systems enable hopping between molecular sites**

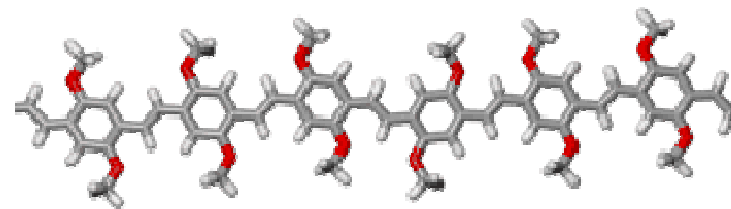
## OLED Materials

### Small Molecules



Technology: Evaporation

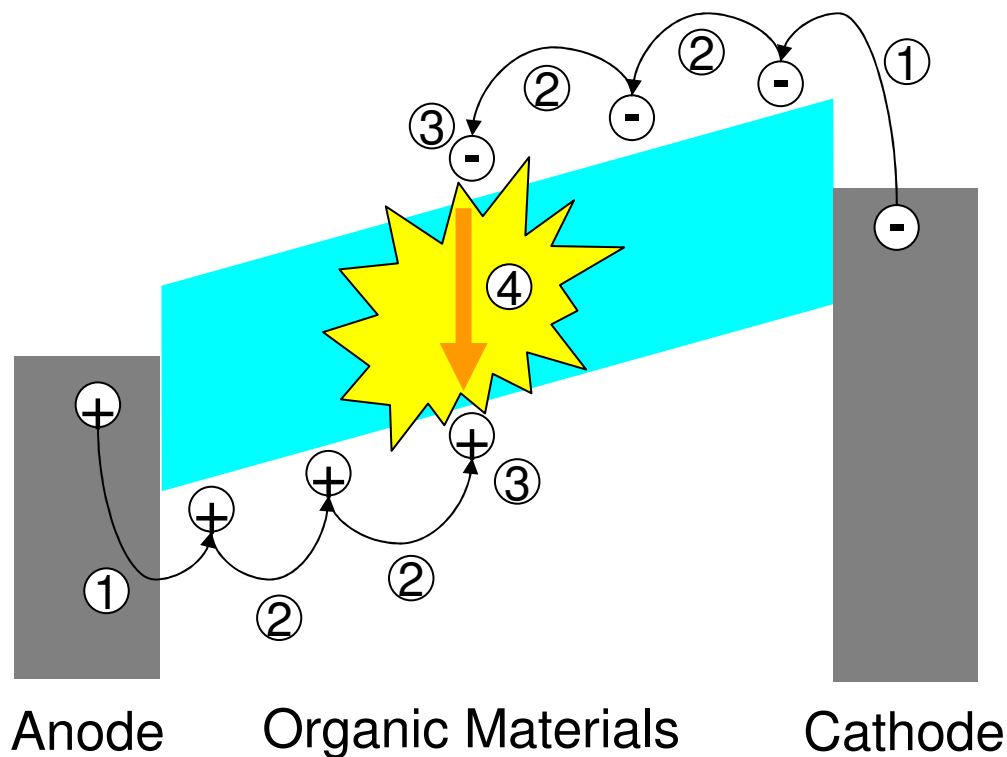
### Polymer



Technology: Spin-On/Ink-Jet

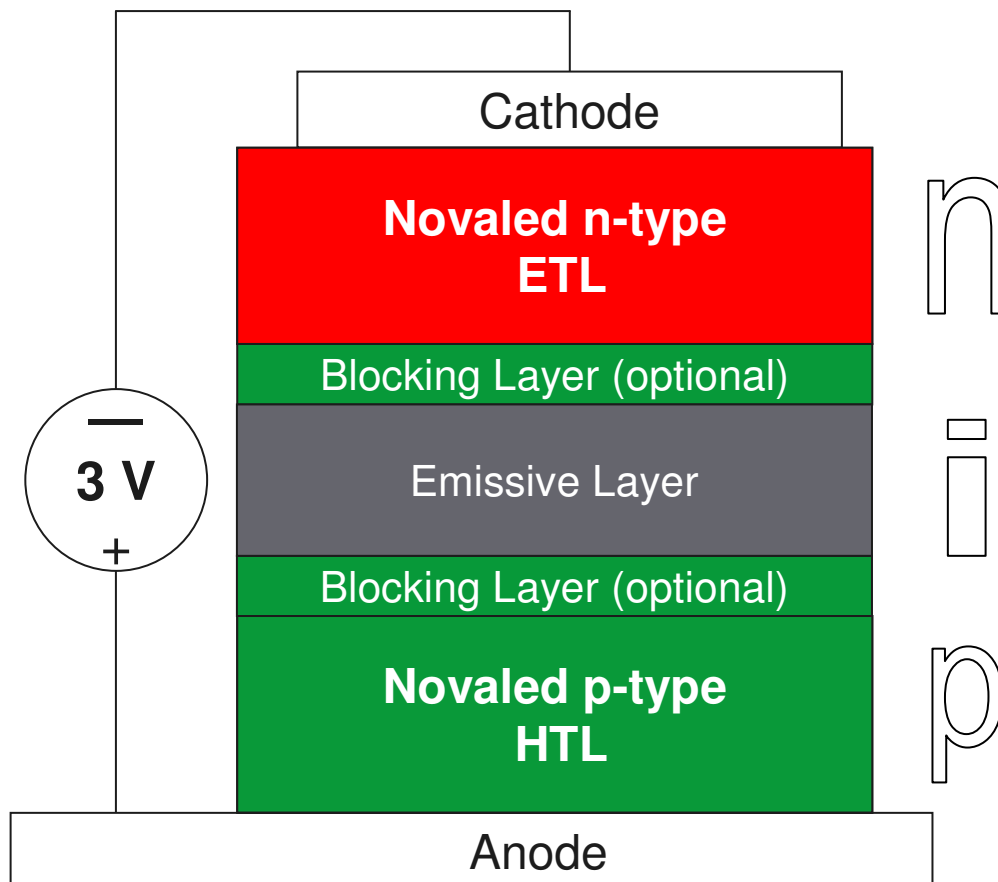
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## What happens inside the OLED?



- (1) Charge carrier injection
- (2) Charge carrier transport
- (3) Exciton formation
- (4) Recombination

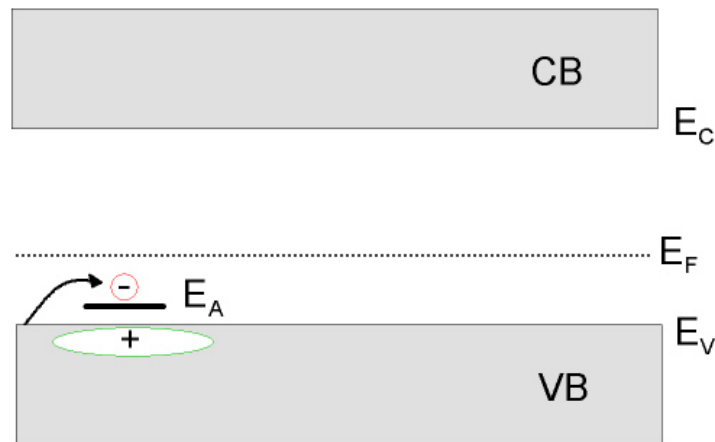
## Novaled PIN OLED® Technology



- No injection layer between ETL or HTL and electrodes required!
- No ITO treatment necessary due to doping technology
- Results in maximum power efficiency, longest lifetime and freedom in OLED design

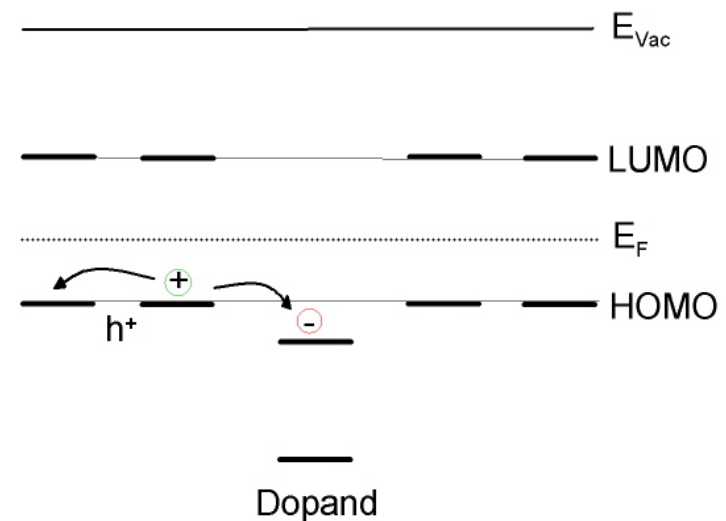
## (redox) Doping

### P-doping of Inorganic SCs



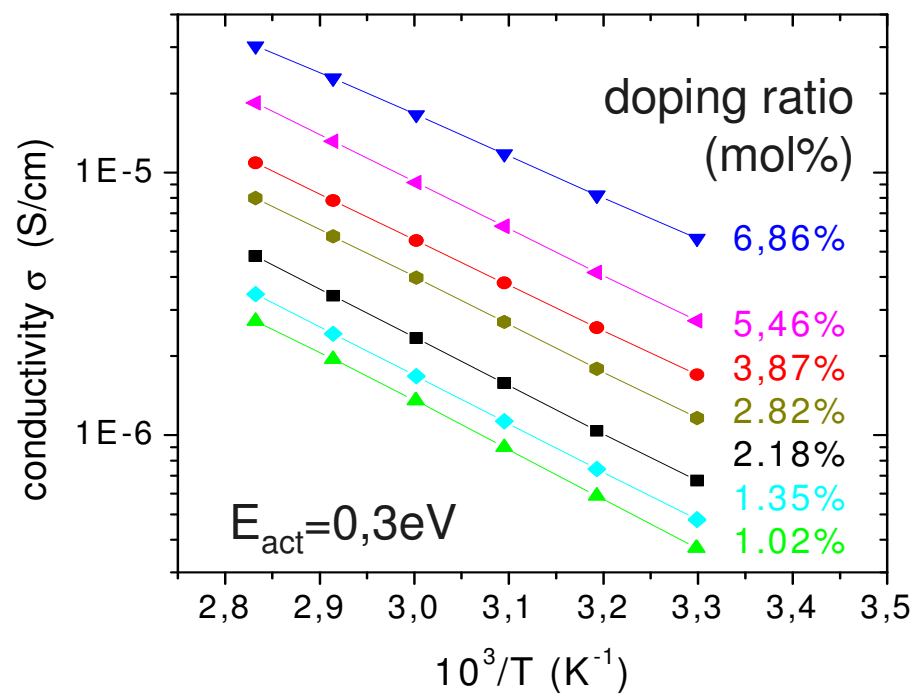
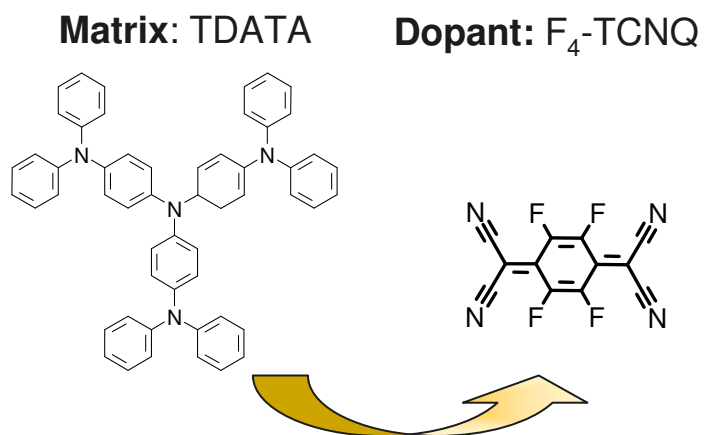
- add acceptor atom to create hole

### P-doping of Organic SCs



- add dopant molecule with low-lying LUMO
- hole mobile? (coulombic attraction, molecular disorder)

## P-doping of amorphous HTLs



Electron transfer  mobile holes  increased conductivity

## OLED Efficacy

$$\eta_{external} = b_I \times \frac{h\nu}{eU} \times \eta_{recomb} \times \eta_{optical}$$

Factor	Current status
1/U: inverse operating voltage	For high brightness higher than thermodynamic limit
$\eta_{optical}$ : optical out-coupling	w/o enhancement methods around 20%
$\eta_{recomb}$ : recombination efficiency (singlet-triplet, PL efficiency)	Phosphorescent emitters, blue not stable yet
$b_I$ : electron-hole balance	1 can be reached, more complicated for phosphorescent devices, injection dependent

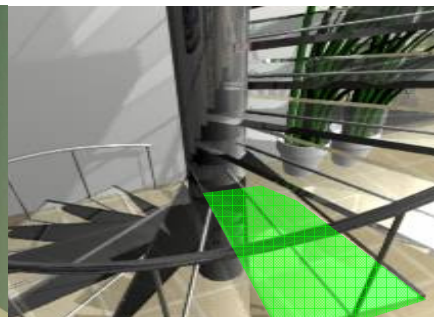


## Doping Technology for Organic Electronics

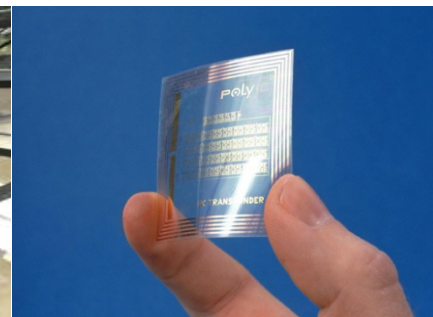
- › Doping shall improve every organic electronic application where charge carrier transport and injection are key properties
- › Application of doping depends on business status of certain technology areas
  - Started with **OLED displays**
  - continued with **OLED lighting**
  - continues with **Organic solar cells (OPV)**
  - will be Electronic devices (e.g. display drivers, ORFID)
- › **Doping is at the heart of Organic Electronic**



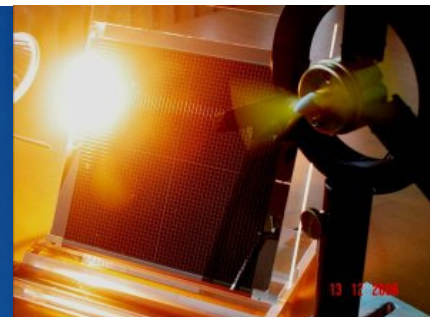
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PolyIC



Heliatek

## OLED can be Applied in Numerous Applications...



### Display

- › Small Size for Portable Handheld Devices, MP3-Players, Digital Cameras
- › Medium to Large Size Screens for Monitors & TVs
- › Example: SONY TV XEL-1 (11")  
LG TV (15")



### Lighting

- › Design Lighting (decorative, functional)
- › Automotive / Aerospace (cabin, dash)
- › Signage and Advertisement
- › Domestic Appliances
- › General Illumination
- › Healthcare (Medical & Cosmetics)
- › Backlighting Units (e.g. for LCD)

## ...Bringing Added Value to Displays and Lighting

### Display

#### LCD Manufacturer Advantage

- › Keep LCD Momentum
- › Potential to be cheaper in the future

#### End Customer Advantage

- › Better Performance
- › Advanced Design
- › Energy Saving Potential

### Lighting

#### Luminaire Maker Advantage

- › New Business Opportunities
- › Re-arrangement of Value Chain
- › Integrated reflector:  
fixture and luminary become obsolete

#### End Customer Advantage

- › Flat (and flexible) area light source  
for revolutionary designs
- › Offering NEW Features
- › Green Approach: Low Power  
Consumption and Mercury free

## Where are we now? OLED Displays on the Market

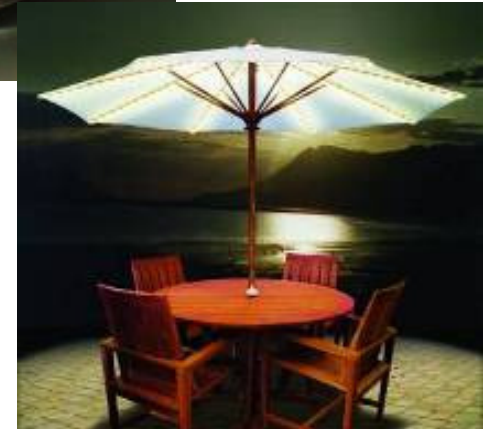
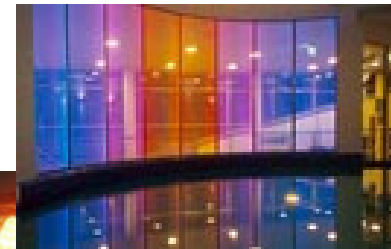




## OLED has a Bright Future for Lighting

### A triple (r)evolution

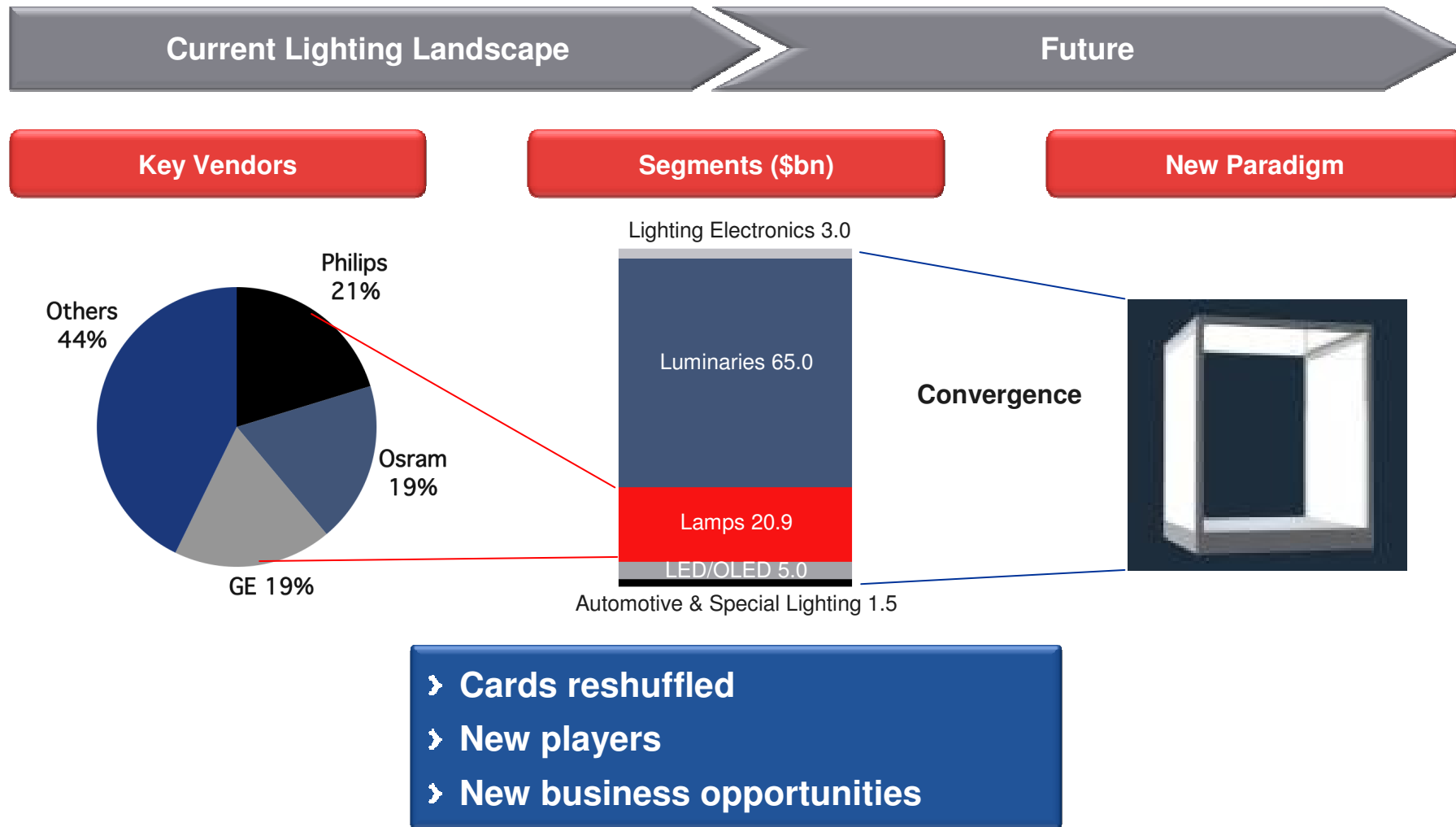
- › Flat (and flexible) area light source for revolutionary designs
- › “Green Product”
  - › Low power consumption
  - › Mercury free
- › Value chain modification



## Where are we now? First lighting products and studies introduced



## OLED will Modify the Lighting Value Chain





## Doping has a Bright Future for Printed Electronics

- » Low cost (with cheap substrate) computing
- » Flexible electronics
- » Printed solar cells



Model of a polymer flexible RFID-tag.  
Source: Polylc

Low-cost sensor tags, for instance on food packaging, will enable to monitor various parameters and to keep an eye on product quality

## Novaled's markets

### 1st: Displays

- now (mobile) and future (TV)
- trend to AM-OLED displays



Sony X-EL1

### 2nd: lighting/signage

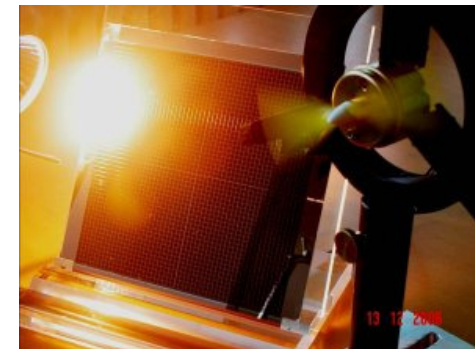
- starts now
- highest power efficiency a must



Osram /Ingo Maurer

### 3rd: OPV

- technology development
- Pilot production in 2011

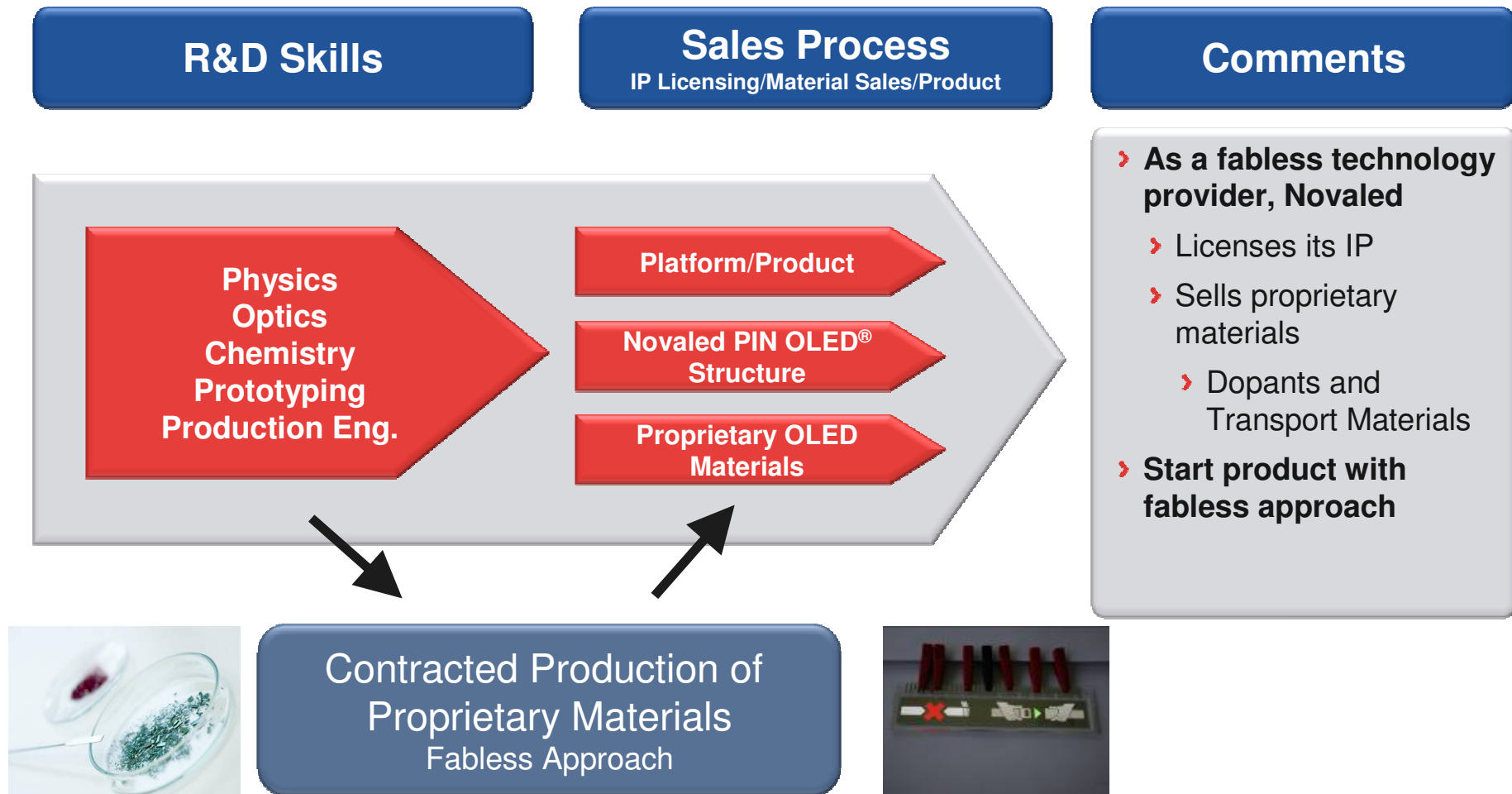


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### 4th: Organic electronic

- Organic circuitries featuring organic CMOS OTFTs, memory, RFID, battery...

## Novaled – business model



## Novaled's Materials: Overview

### Material Requirements:

- › evaporation temperature in reasonable range  $\Rightarrow$  simple process control
- › low vapor pressure  $\Rightarrow$  no cross-contamination
- › no diffusion of dopants in matrix at elevated temperatures  $\Rightarrow$  device reliability

#### Hole Side

**Dopable hole transport matrix material with high  $T_g$ : NHT-5**

- ›  $T_g > 145^\circ \text{C}$
- › new improved material (higher lifetime and efficiency): **NHT-18**

**Temperature & diffusion stable molecular p-dopant (strong acceptor): NDP-2**

- ›  $T_{\text{evaporation}} > 140^\circ \text{C}$
- › enhanced lifetime
- › new improved material: **NDP-9**

#### Electron Side

**Dopable electron transport matrix material with high  $T_g$ : NET-5**

- ›  $T_g > 105^\circ \text{C} \Rightarrow$  superior to Bphen ( $T_g = 63^\circ \text{C}$ ) at the same electron mobility  $\Rightarrow$  superior to  $\text{Alq}_3$
- › further materials for extended lifetime and higher temperatures are also available: **NET-8, NET-18**

**Temperature & diffusion stable molecular n-dopant (strong donor): NDN-1**

- ›  $T_{\text{evaporation}} > 200^\circ \text{C}$
- › enhanced lifetime
- › molecular dopant  $\Rightarrow$  no alkali-metals!!!
- › new air stable material: **NDN-26**,  $T_{\text{evaporation}} > 135^\circ \text{C}$

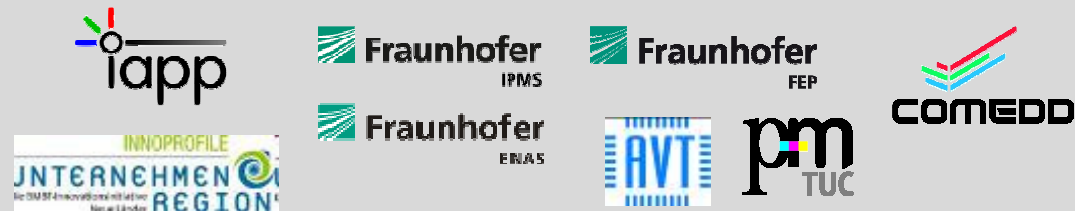
## Novaled Local Network

The value chain in the Organic Electronics Saxony

Industry

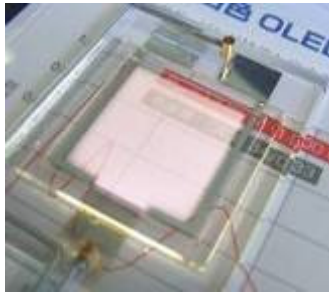


R&D



... more than 800 people already working in this fields

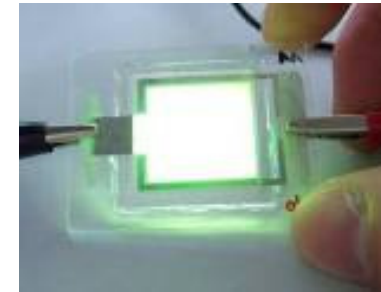
## Freedom of Device Architecture



Transparent PIN OLED



PIN OLED in headlight



PIN OLED  
on Printed ITO



PIN OLED  
for Lighting

**stacked  
top & bottom emission  
inverted & non-inverted**



PIN AM OLED

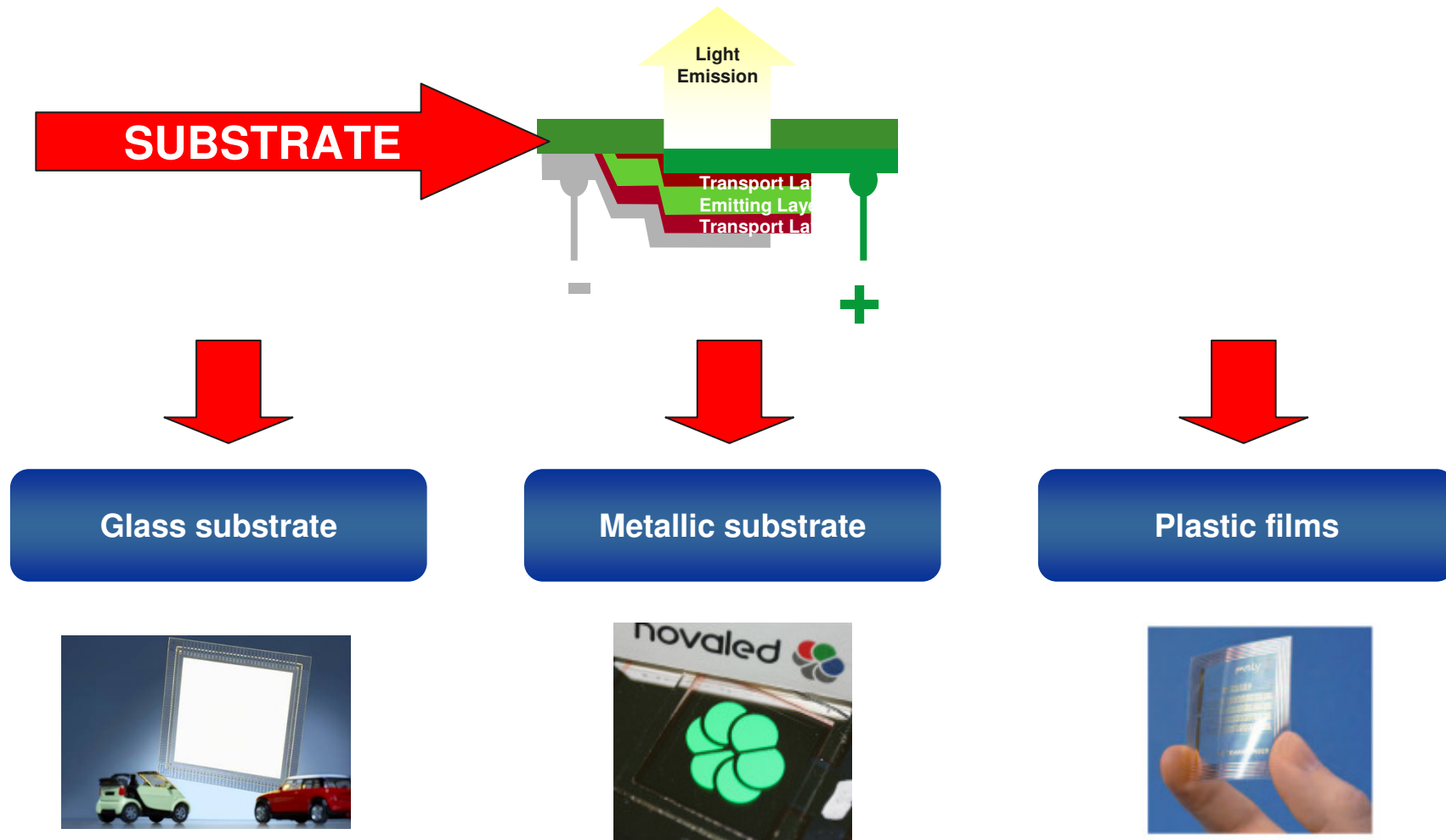


PIN PM OLED



PIN OLED on  
Steel Substrate

## Substrate options for OLED's





## Prototype Devices - Achievements



**Project with Arcelor Mittal (shown at Light+Building 2010):  
serial connection of 4 sub-OLEDs, high overall emission area (64%)**

frosted-white off-state    vs.    white light emission in on-state



# Victory



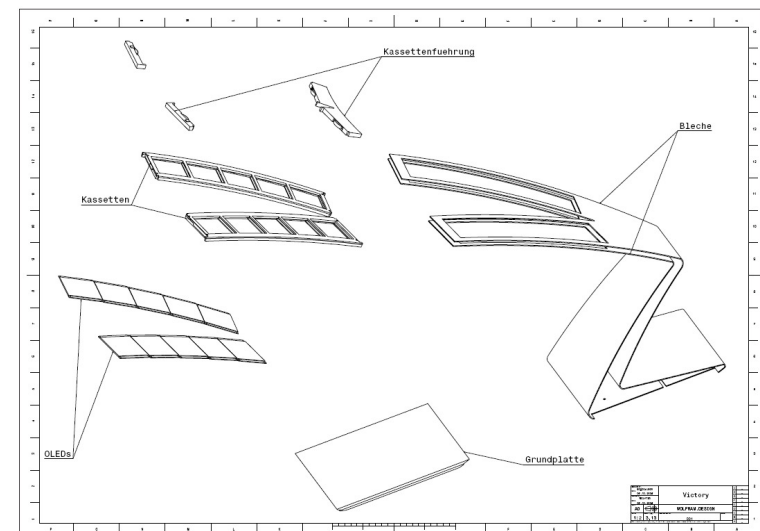
## Design idea:

- › functional, decorative, capable of being used in an office setting
- › ‚V‘ shape of luminaire body
- ›

## Construction:

- › 10 OLEDs on glass, 5x5cm active area
- › 5 each in series
- › contacted in cassettes (no OLED module)

## Drawing:



## OLED Enspiro (TRILUX)



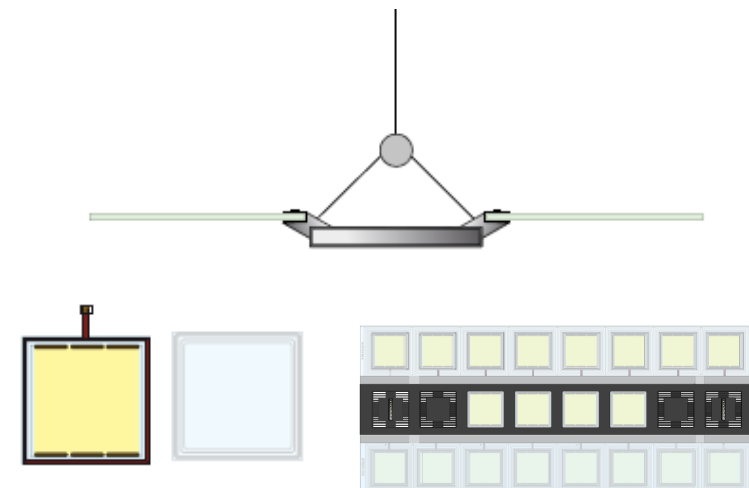
### Design idea:

- › Hybrid luminaire (LED & OLED)
- › functional, decorative, capable of being used as an office suspension

### Construction:

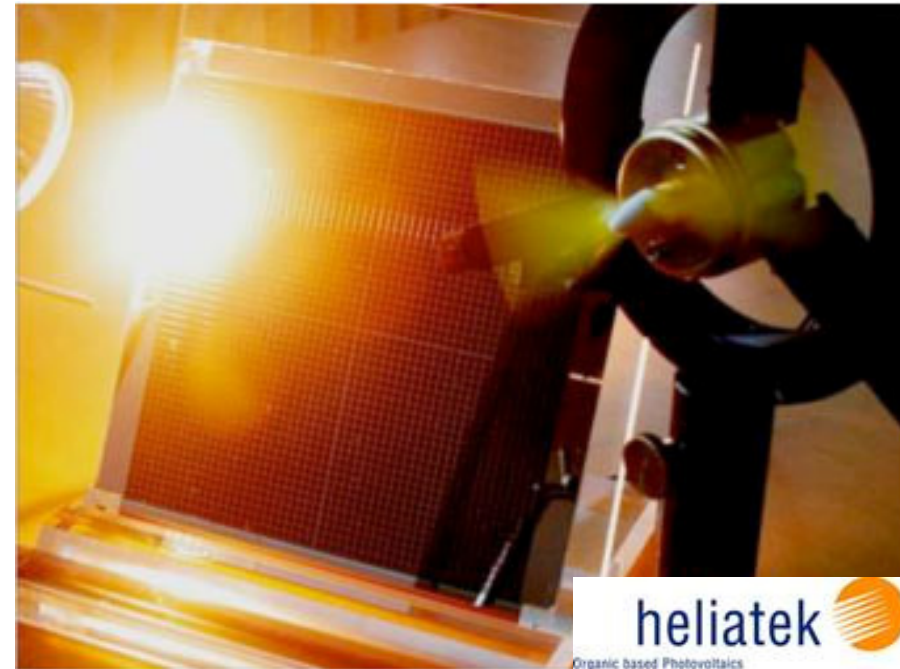
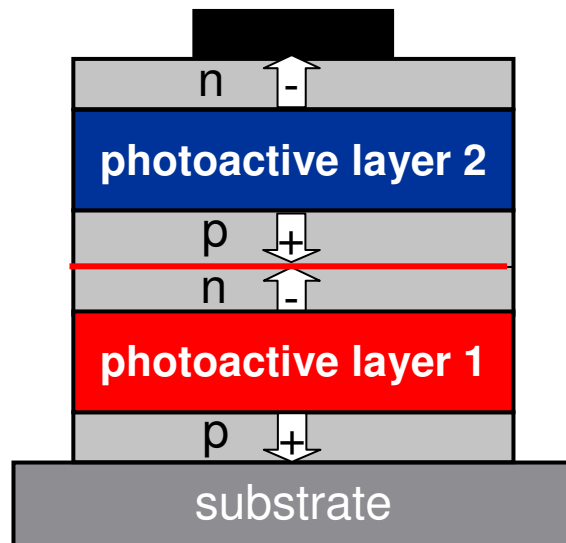
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### Drawing:



## Application of Redox Dopants for OPV

### PIN tandem solar cell

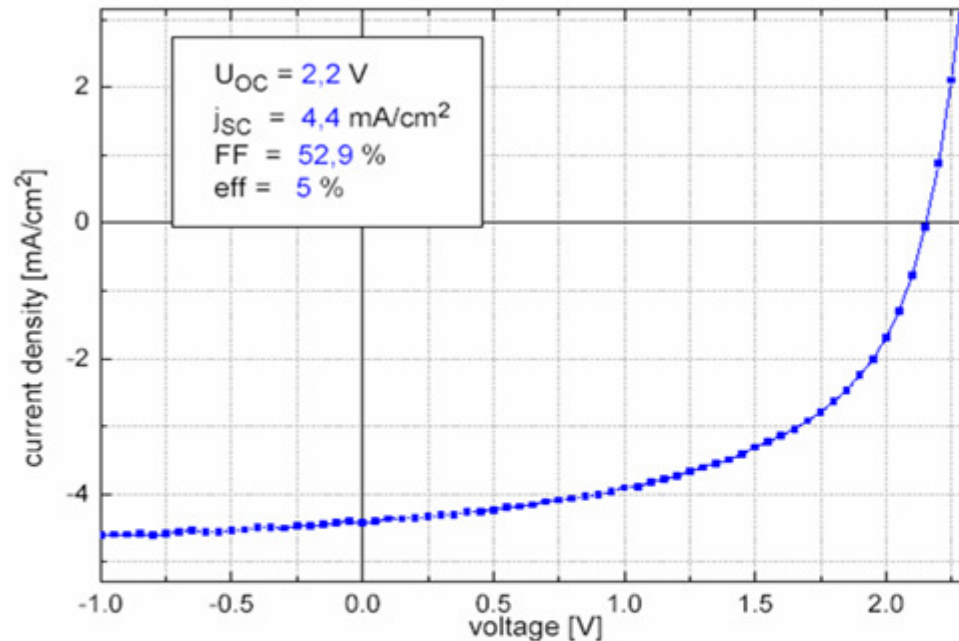


#### Efficiency and stability:

PIN Tandem solar cells for

- › optimized efficiency by optimum harvesting of complete sun spectrum,
- › high stability

## PIN approach used in OPV



- measured with sun simulator
- efficiency reproduced when measured in natural sunlight

**Latest result:**  
8,1% with 1,1 cm<sup>2</sup> active area



- based on Heliatek multiple p-i-n architecture
- combining novel absorber materials from Heliatek and BASF
- using p- and n-dopants provided by Novaled

Heliatek has taken a license to use Novaled's PIN-OLED™ technology and Novaled's molecular dopants to develop organic solar cells.

## Summary

### › Early Days

- › Technology developed at University
- › Spin-Off
  - › IP deal with University
  - › Venture capital financing secures financials needed to **fast** develop products (and hence the company)
  - › Experienced manager at early stage

### › Novaled today:

- › Novaled Products (materials, technology) used in final products
- › 2011: will be the break-even year
- › Around 100 employees (Chemistry, Physics, Optics, Engineering, ...)
- › Further growth in existing (OLED) and new areas (OPV, Electronic)



Create the OLED Revolution



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