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# FFE300

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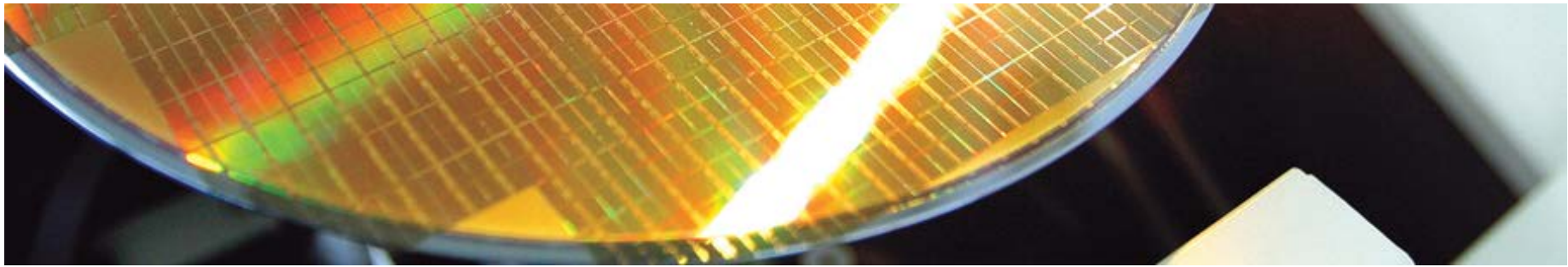
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## High performance components from Gencoa for Semiconductor Applications

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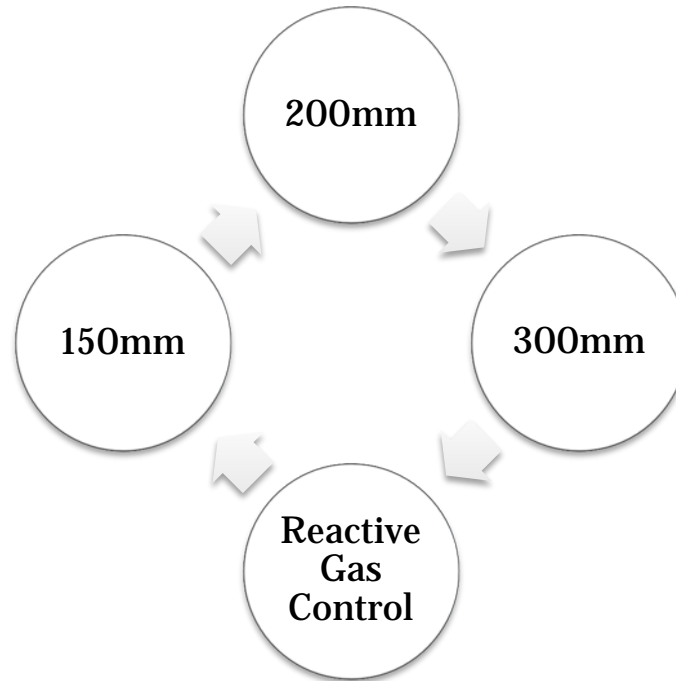
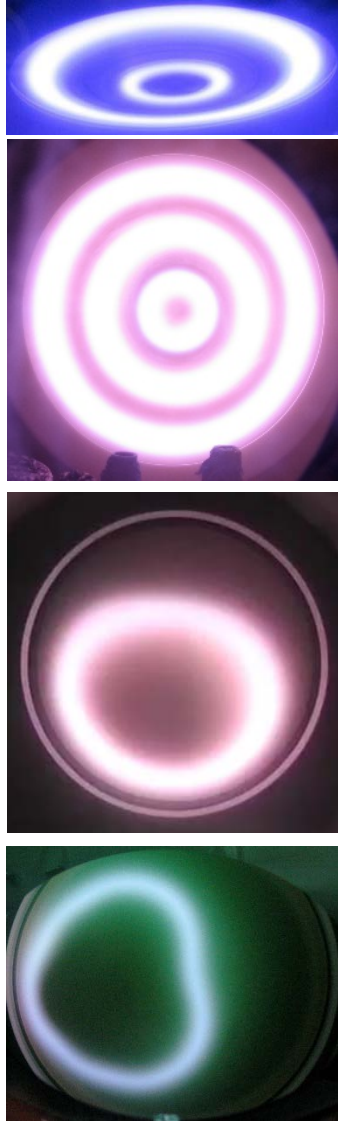


- New and retro-fit magnetrons and magnetics
- Reactive gas control & End Point Detection



# Gencoa offer the following categories of products for *static* wafer coating

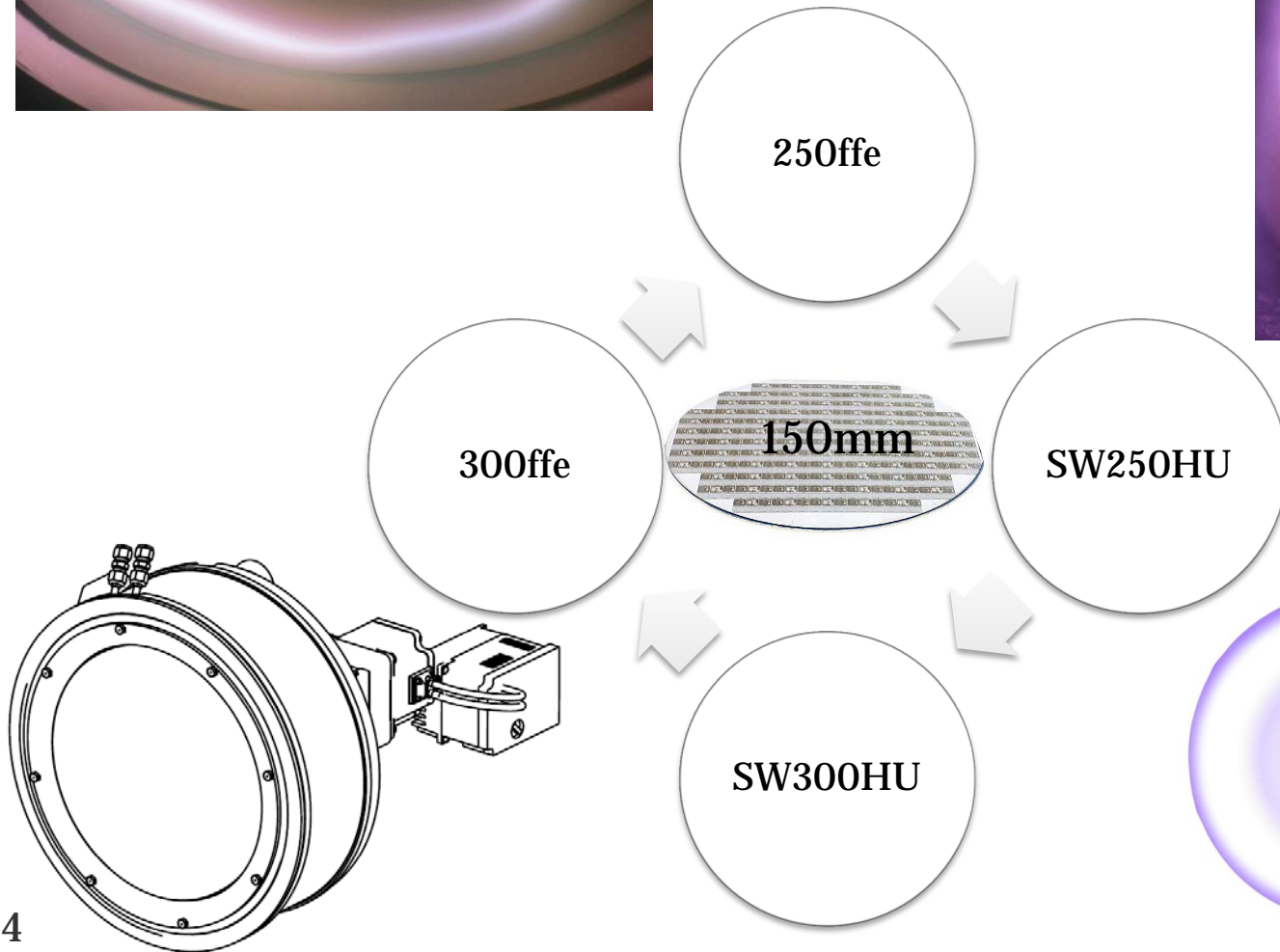
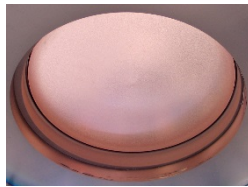
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# 150mm static wafer coating

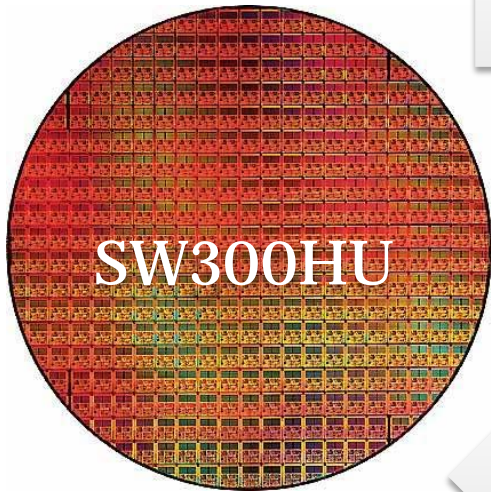
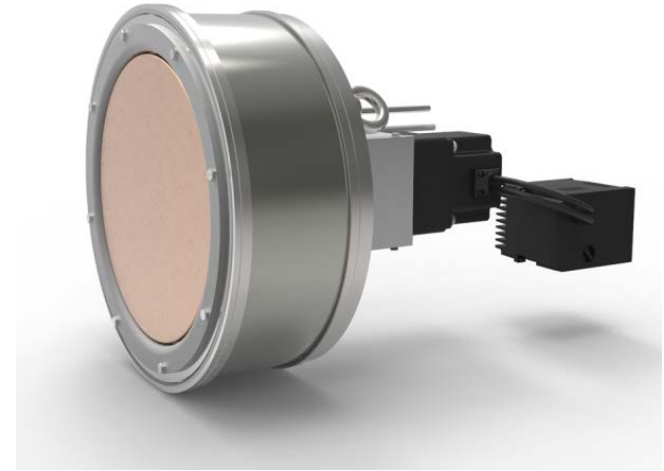
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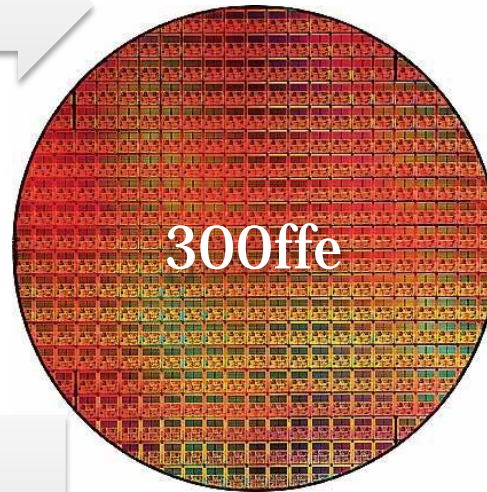
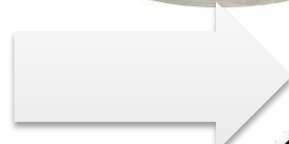


# 200mm static wafer coating

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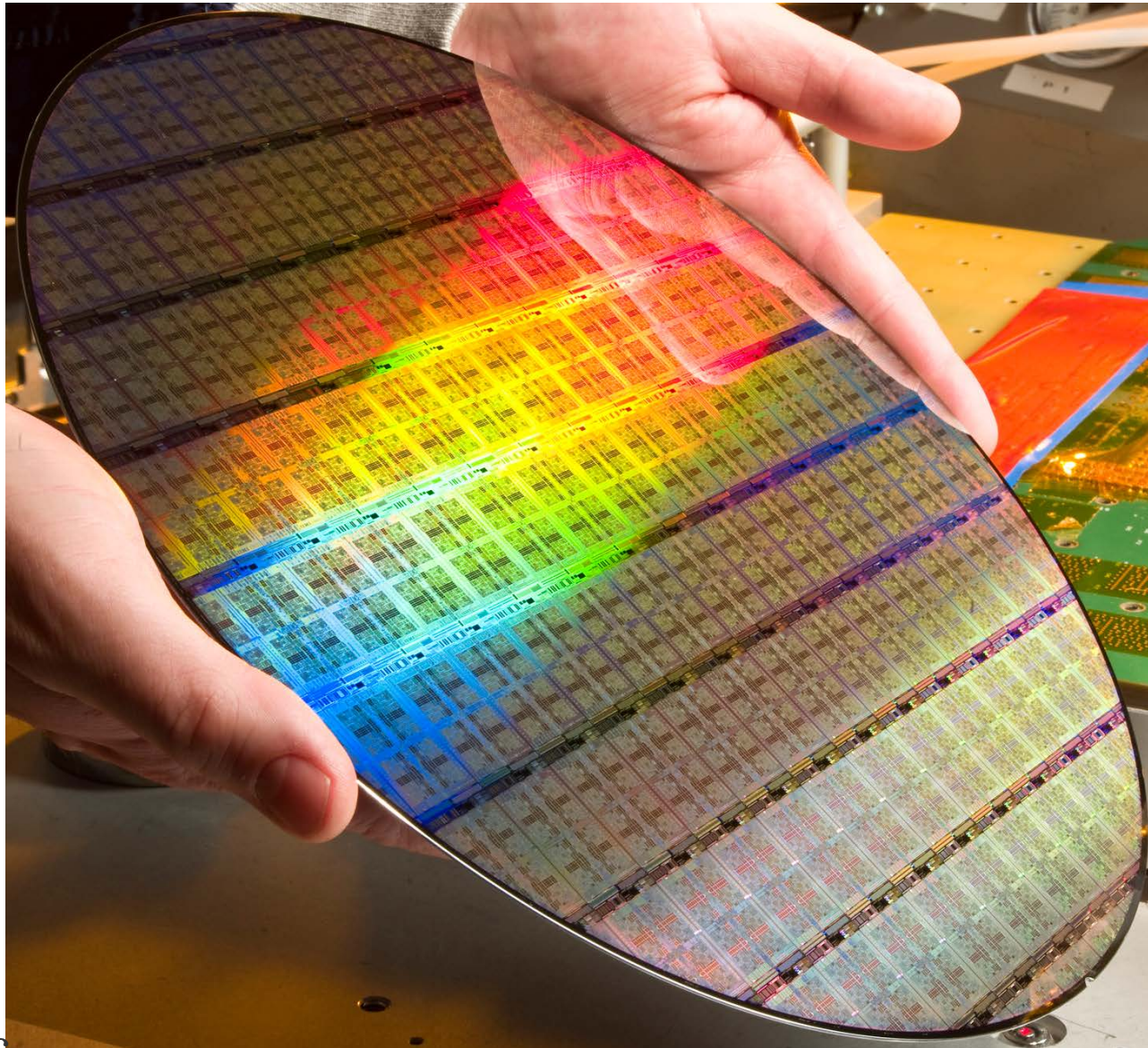


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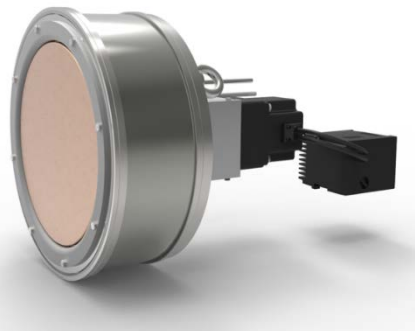
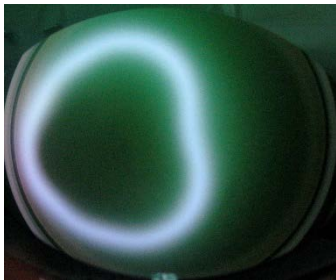
# 300mm static wafer coating

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400-450ffe



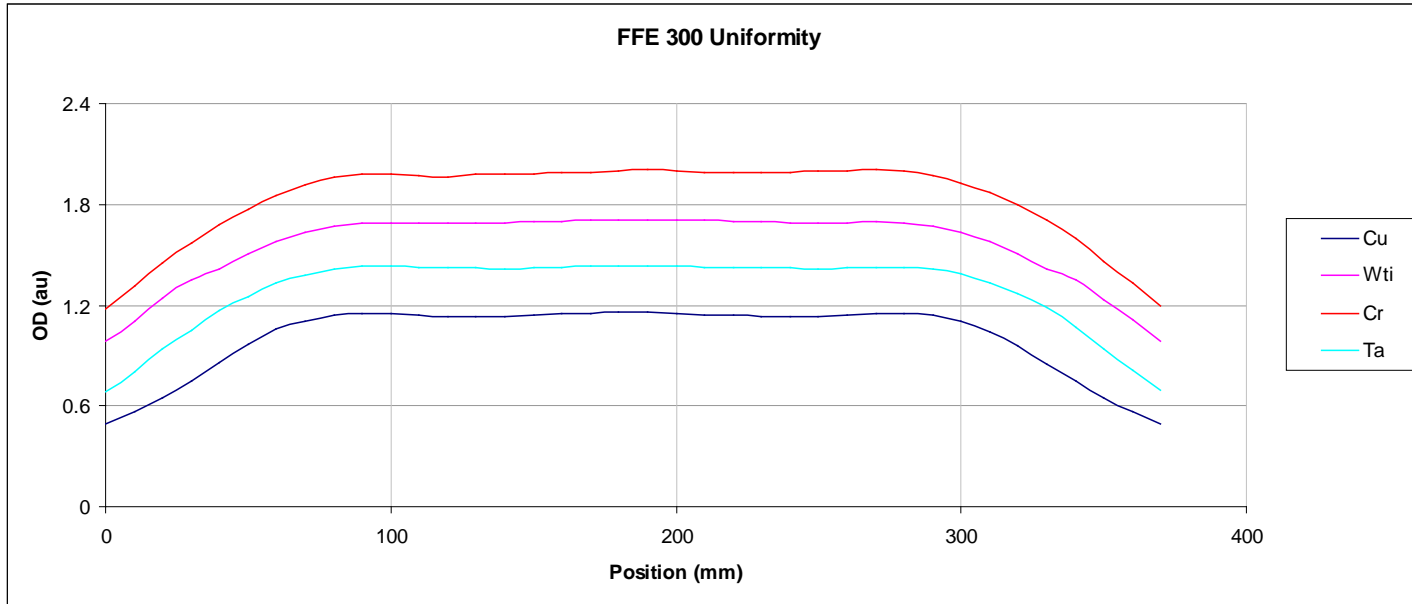


- No magnet pack in water – easily accessible
- Slow to Fast rotation of the magnets provides:
  - Uniformity tuning ability via speed control
  - Better arcs suppression – less time for charge-build-up at higher rotation speeds
  - Less layer defects from arc events
- Better than  $\pm 3\%$  uniformity achievable for wafers upto 200mm(8”) diameter
- Same magnetic pack suitable for different materials (ferro-magnetic targets require different magnetics)
- Consistent coating uniformity throughout target life
- All vacuum and water seals are static – no rotation, hence no wear and leaking with time which maximizes up-time and minimizes maintenance costs
- High power capacity – high flow and directly cooled targets – optional indirectly cooled targets
- RF and Hipims power mode option



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One Magnetic pack for different material



Uniformity over  
200mm @150rpm

Cr	2.00%
WTi	1.90%
Ta	1.10%
Cu	1.60%

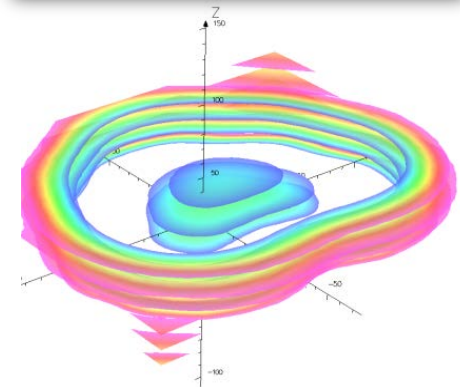
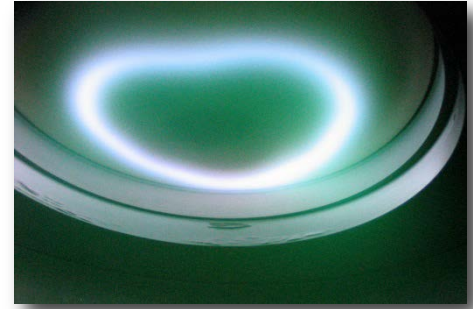
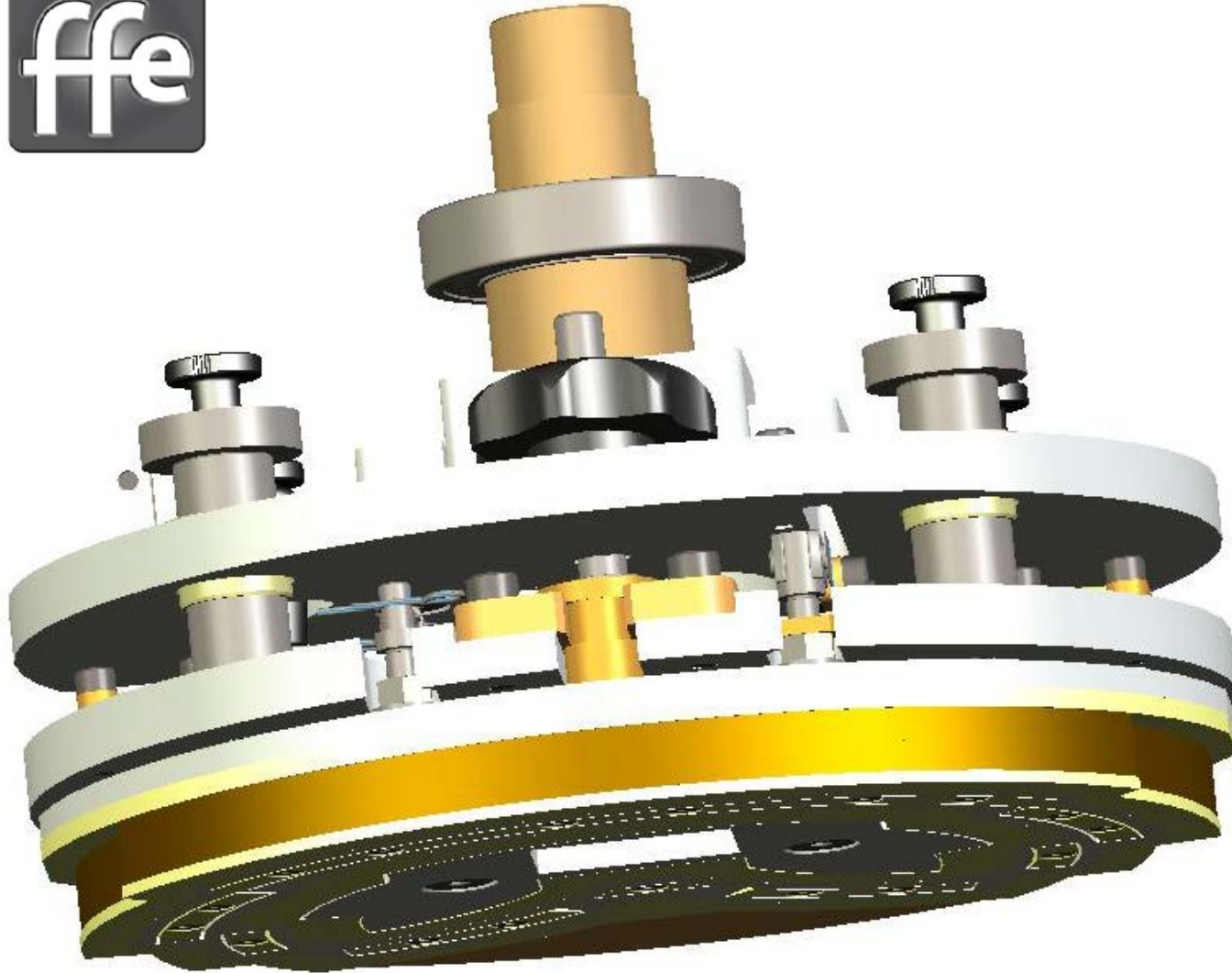




# The SW300 FFE magnet packs create high uniformity with low defects at low

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target to substrate separations over static wafers



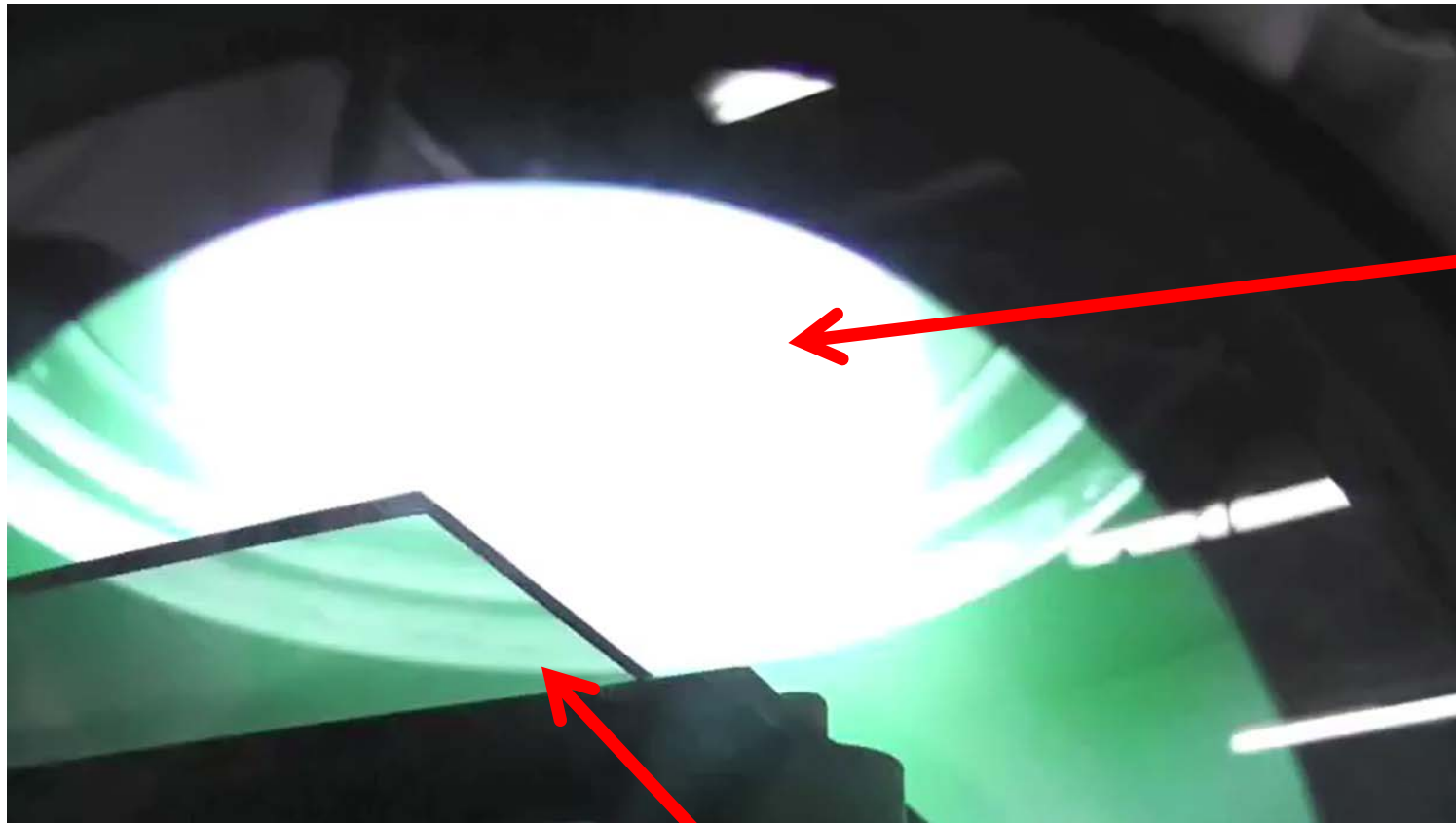
Target utilization can also be optimized via the magnetic design within the

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constraints of meeting the thickness uniformity spec.



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FFE300  
Plasma

Glass substrate

400 x 230

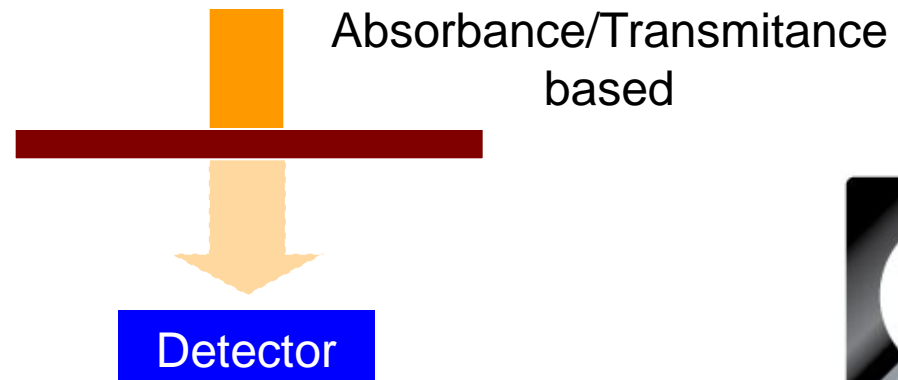


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# Optical density = Absorbance

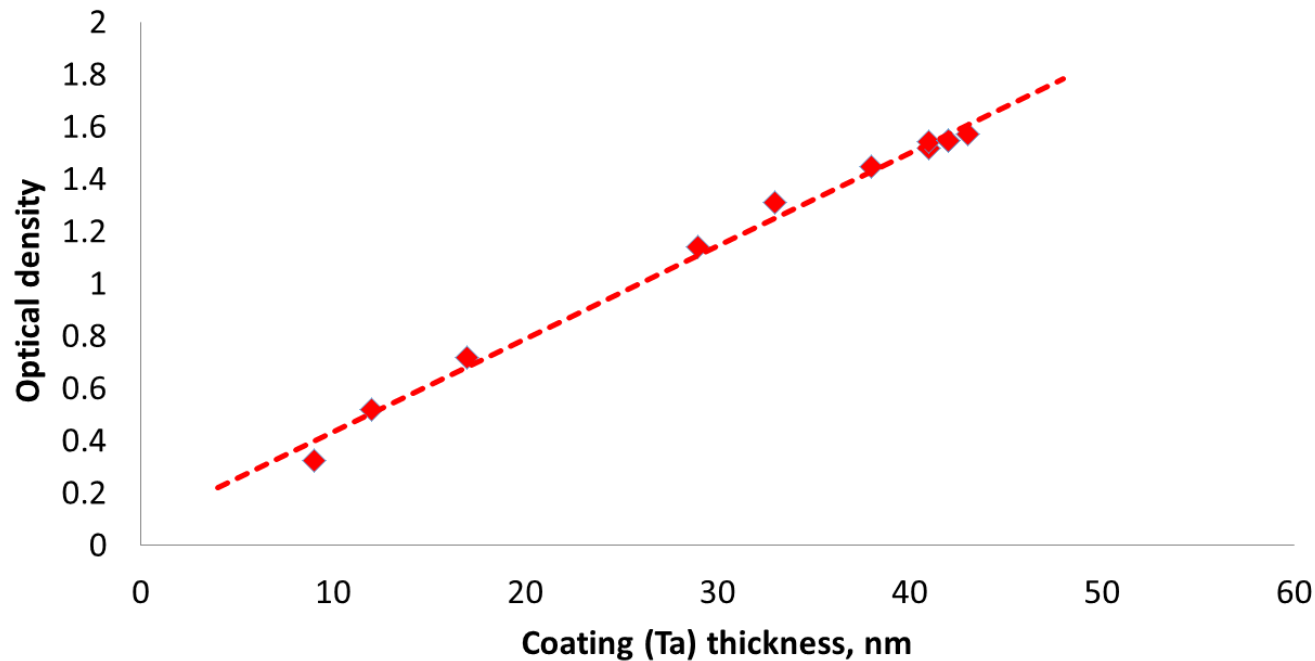


$$A_{\lambda} = \log_{10} (I_0/I) = -\log_{10}(T)$$



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Optical Density @ 550nm vs Ta thickness (crystal sensor)

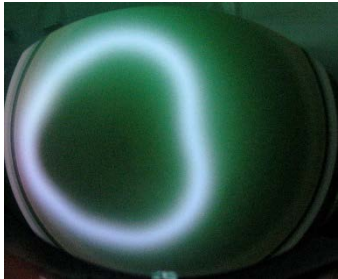


Example of FFE300 deposited Ta coating Optical density (@ 550nm) versus the ta thickness as measured by crystal sensors.

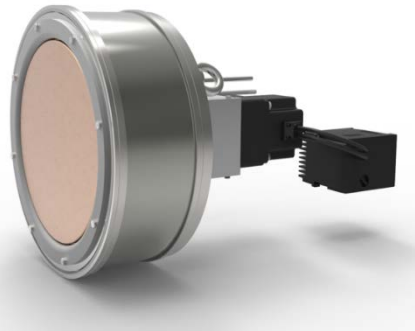
Because the light transmittance decreases exponentially as it travels through the material then the Optical density (OD) is proportional to thickness.

For accuracy we would like to be ~ 1 in OD (Transmittance >~ 10%)





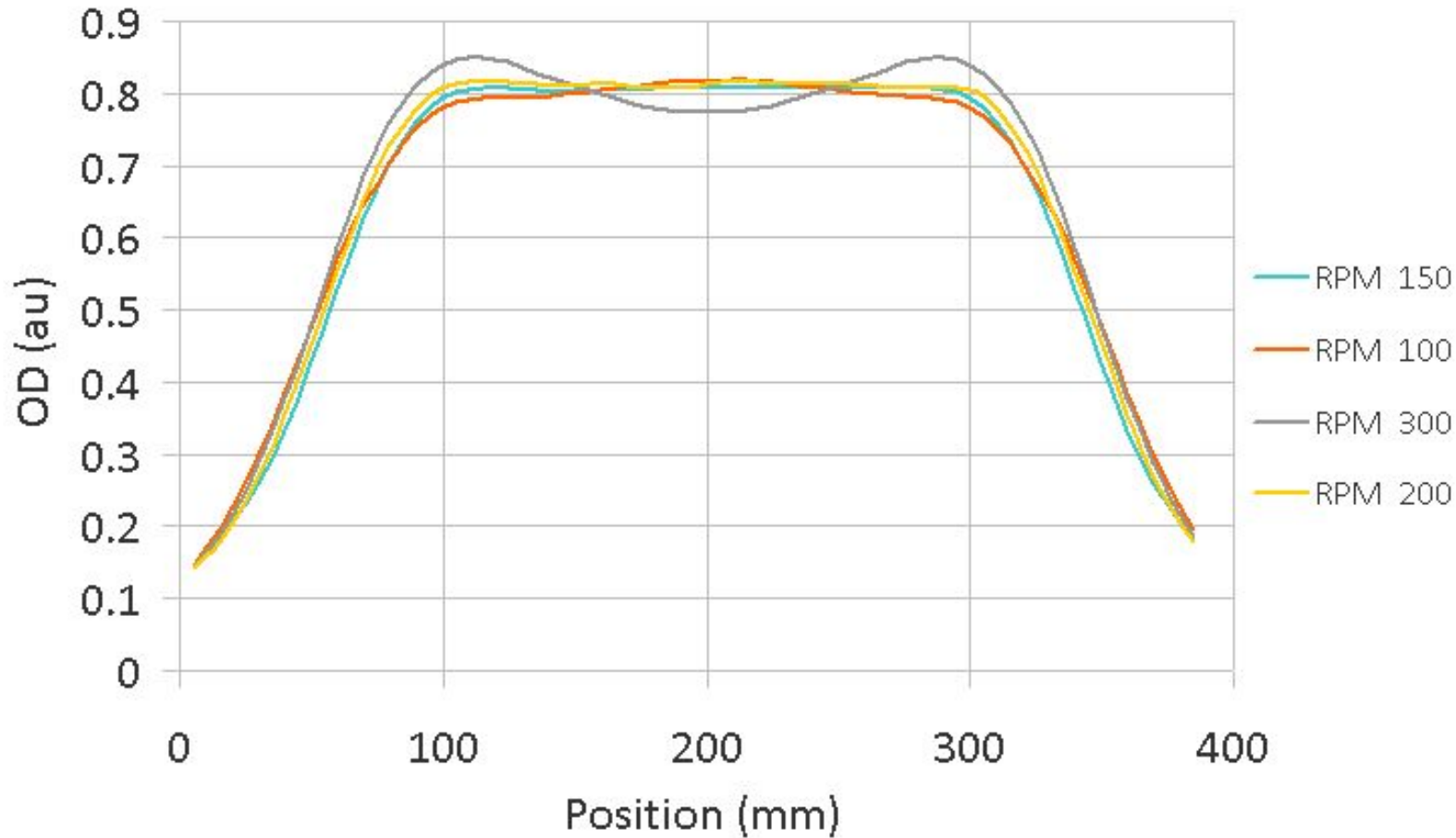
- Three different methods to adjust uniformity
  1. Varying rotational speed of the array (50-450 rpm)
  2. Adjusting position of the magnetic pack relative to the central axis of rotation – mechanical change
  3. Use shunts to tune magnetics – mechanical change
  4. Combination of methods 1,2 &3



The ability to tune uniformity via speed variation is a powerful aid helping the

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adjustment of uniformity with target life

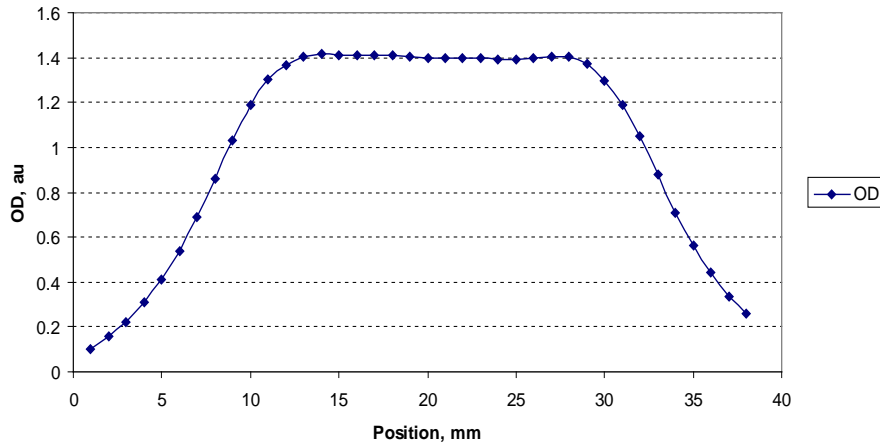


# Examples of different speed settings for different materials to tune uniformity for

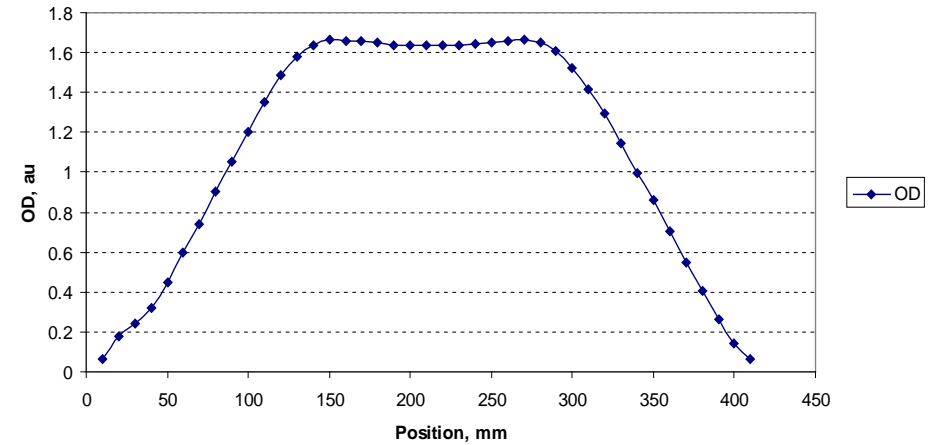
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NiV, Ti, Cu & AlCuSi to  $< \pm 2\%$

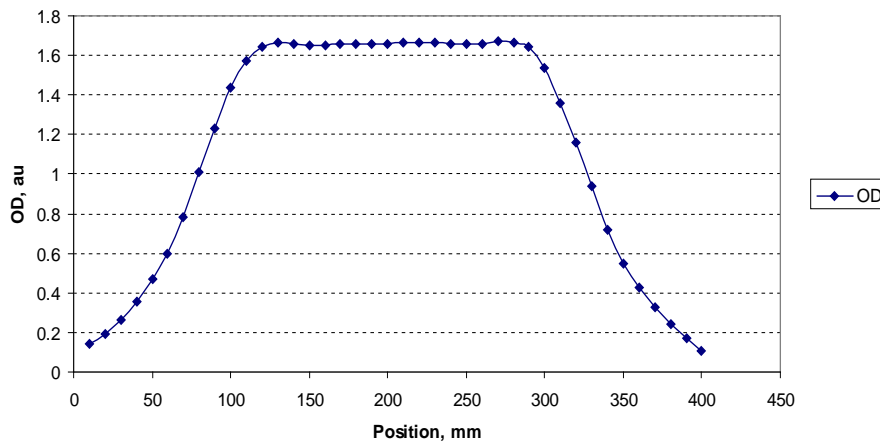
FFE300 Run 3 250RPM NiV



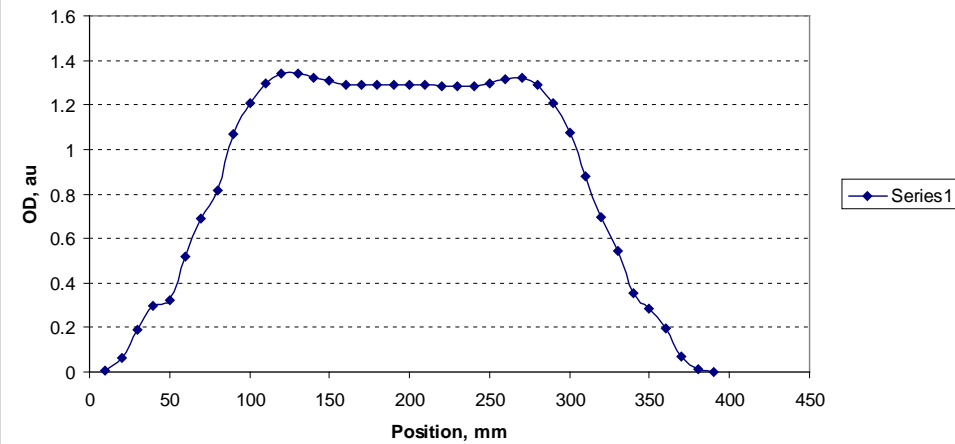
FFE300 RUN 5 200RPM Ti



FFE300 RUN7 150RPM Cu



FFE300 RUN 9 200RPM AlCuSi





## Adjustments to tune uniformity

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Varying the location of the magnetic pack.

- Lead screw adjustment can be used to vary the position of the magnetic pack relative to the central axis of rotation.
- Design allows easy accessibility to the lead screw .



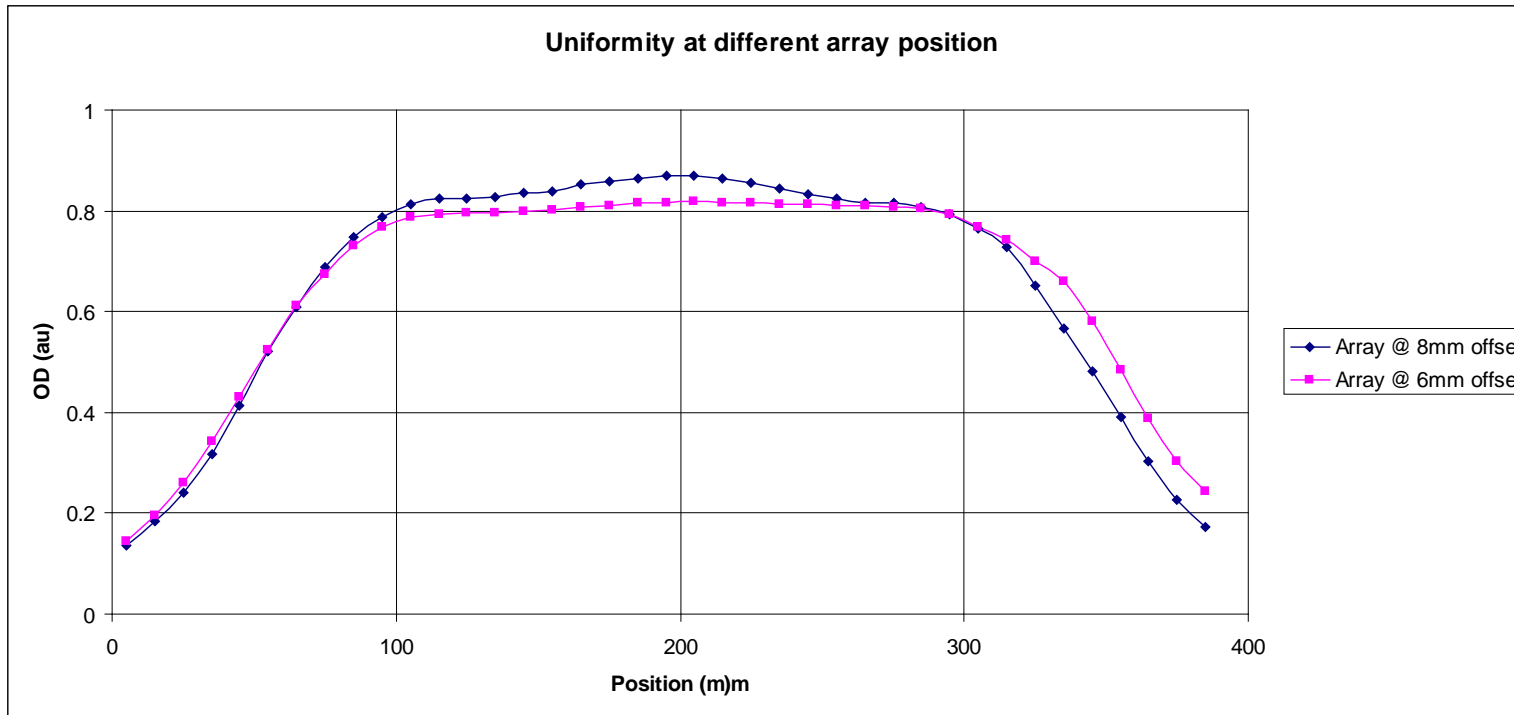
## Adjustments to tune uniformity

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Varying the location of the magnetic pack.



In-house testing has proved that by moving the array by 2mm, the uniformity measurement over 200mm changed by  $\pm 1.68\%$ .



Uniformity over 200m at 8mm offset:-4.95%

Uniformity over 200m at 6mm offset:-3.27%



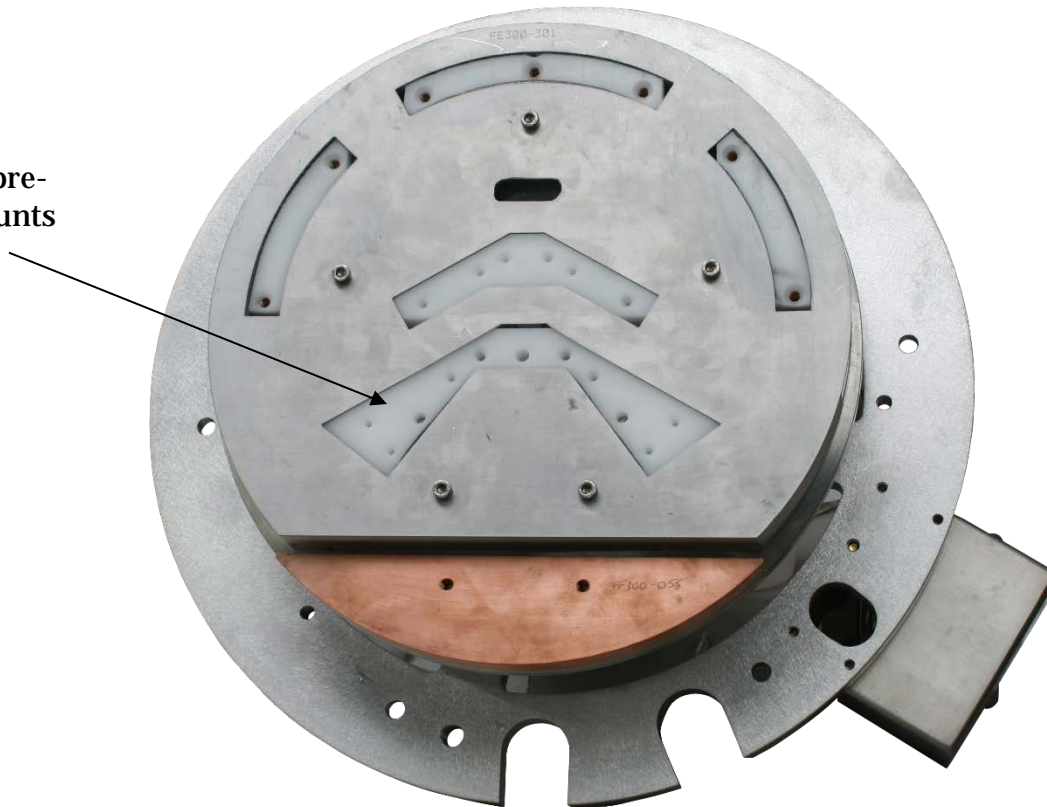
## Adjustments to tune uniformity

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Using pre-configured shunts

- In built design features to place pre-configured shunts for ultra fine tuning.
- Requires lifting of the magnetic pack from the source.

Location for pre-configured shunts



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Typical deposition rate

Target	Deposition Rate (nm/min/kw)	T-S (mm)
Cr	85.71	60
Ti	57.14	66
NiV(10%)	107	60
Au	280	60
Ni	83.2	60



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Uniformity test

Target:	Cr
Run No.:	
Pressure	3.30E-03
RPM	<b>100</b>
Gas (Ar)	45%
Shunting	N/A
Power	<b>2800W</b>
Time	<b>90 s</b>
Array	Original
Array offset	<b>0</b>
T/S mm	60
S/N	S01533-FE-02



Crystal  
sensors  
Quartz-gold

**Average deposition rate= 240 nm/min**



- Cr deposition rate is >200 nm/min at 2.8 kW



Target:	Ti
Run No.:	103
Pressure	4.3E-03 Torr
RPM	300
Gas (Ar)	65%
Shunting	none
Power	2800W
Time	150 s
Array	FE-03
Array offset	5
T/S mm	60
S/N	S0141-FE-03



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sensors  
Quartz-gold

**Average deposition rate at 2.8 kW ~ 160 nm/min**



- Ti deposition rate is >140 nm/min at 2.8



## FFE300 – Ni target

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## Deposition rate test

Target:	Ni
Run No.:	306
Pressure	6.0E-03 Torr
RPM	<b>60</b>
Gas (Ar)	<b>30%</b>
Shunting	N/A
Power	<b>2800W</b>
Time	<b>150 s</b>
Array	h202x1.5c-Hear
Array offset	<b>5</b>
T/S mm	60
S/N	S0141-FE-01



Crystal  
sensors  
Quartz-gold



**Average deposition rate at 2.8 kW ~ 233 nm/min**

- Ni deposition rate is  $>200$  nm/min at 2.8 kW

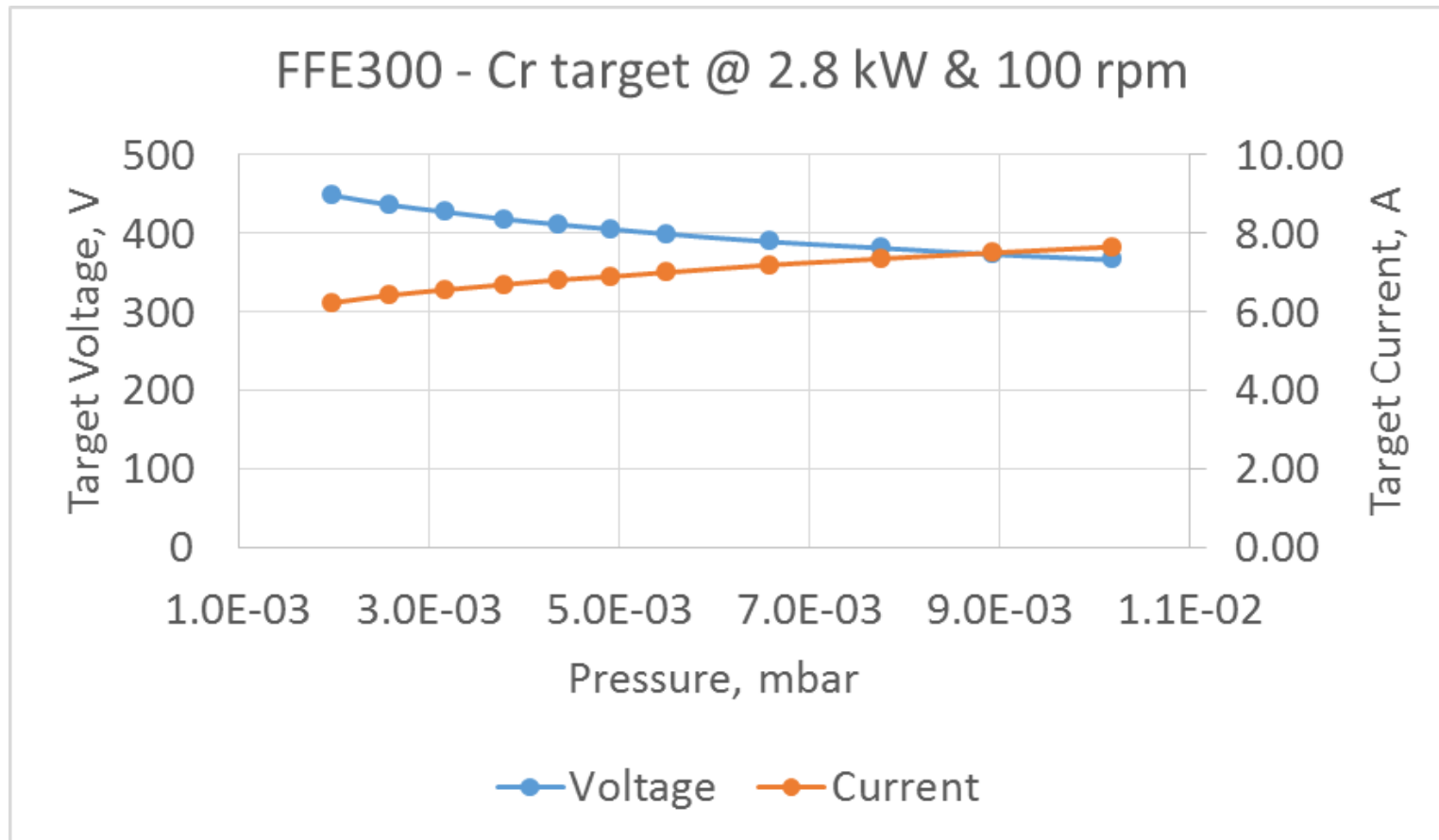


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## V/I vs pressure &amp; On/Off tests



- On/off tests @ 2.8 kW & 100 rpm were all on for the pressure range: 2E-3 mbar to 1.0E-2 mbar



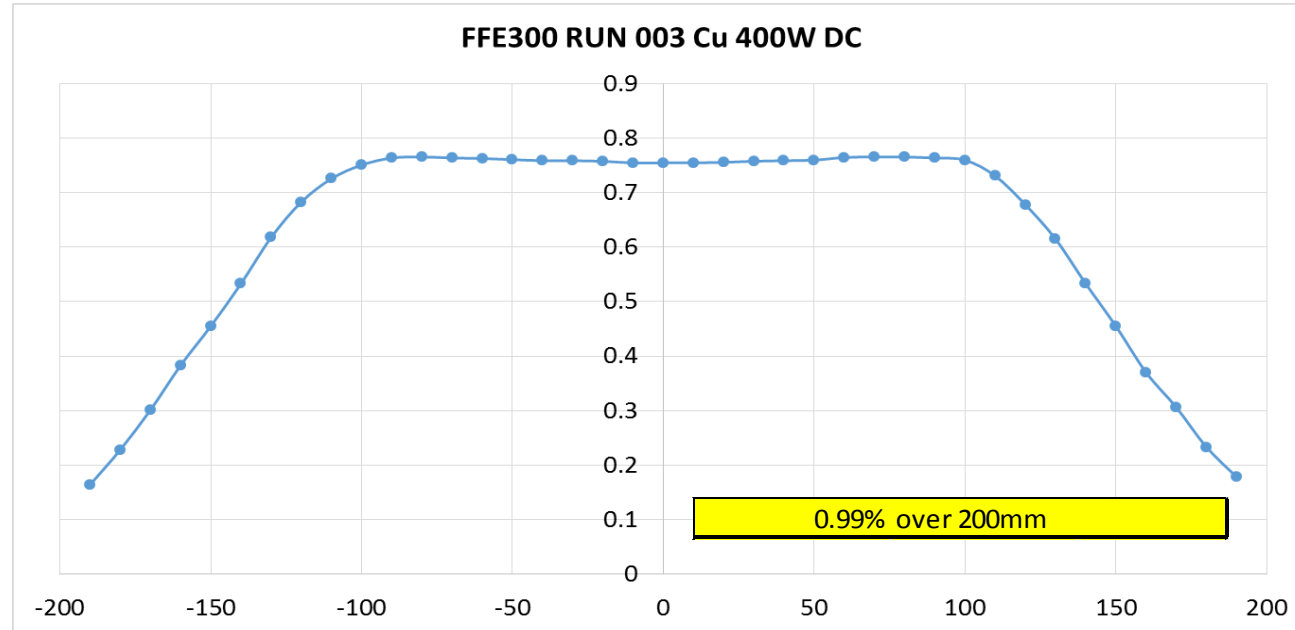


## FFE300 – Cu target

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## Uniformity test

Target:	Cu
Run No.:	002
Pressure	3E-03 Torr
RPM	200
Gas (Ar)	45%
Shunting	N/A
Power	<b>400W</b>
Time	<b>31s</b>
Array	FE-01
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T/S mm	60
S/N	S01533-FE-02



Position in mm vs Optical Density

Initial tests typically carried out with a copper target.

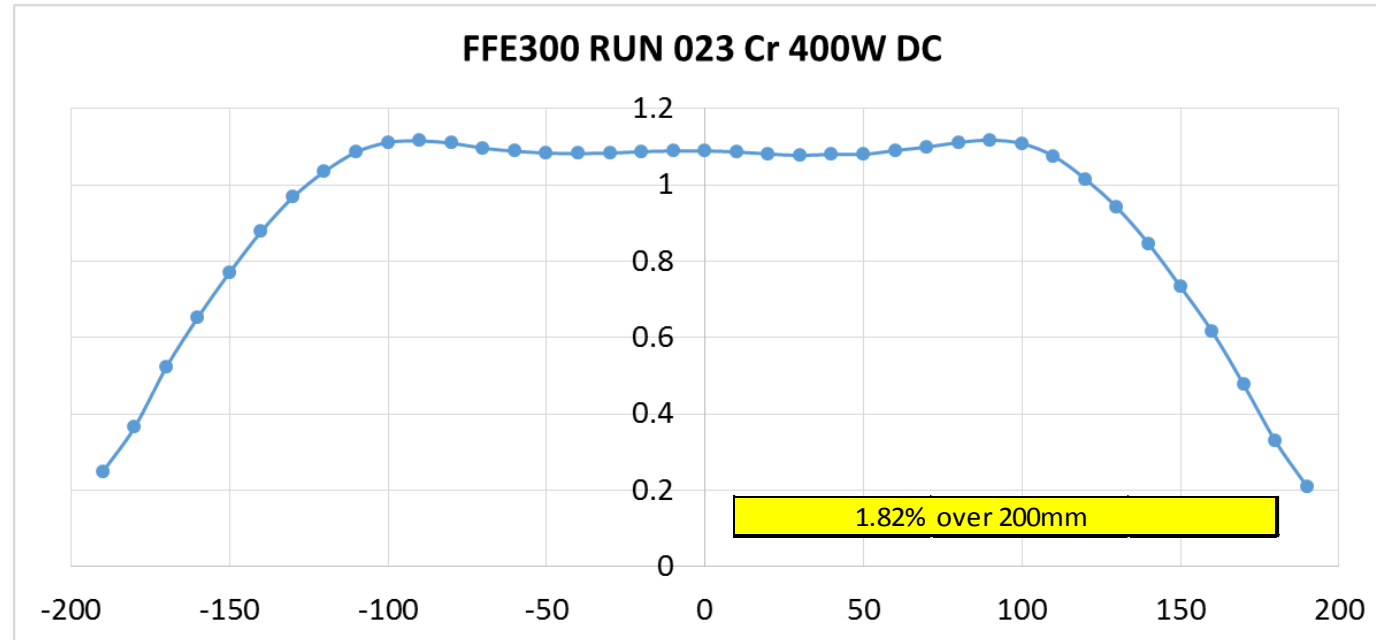


## FFE300 – Cr target

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## Uniformity test

Target:	Cr
Run No.:	023
Pressure	3.30E-03
RPM	100
Gas (Ar)	45%
Shunting	N/A
Power	<b>400W</b>
Time	<b>35s</b>
Array	FE-01
Array offset	<b>0</b>
T/S mm	60
S/N	S01533-FE-02



Position in mm vs Optical Density



- Cr uniformity at the beginning of target life is  $\leq \pm 3\%$

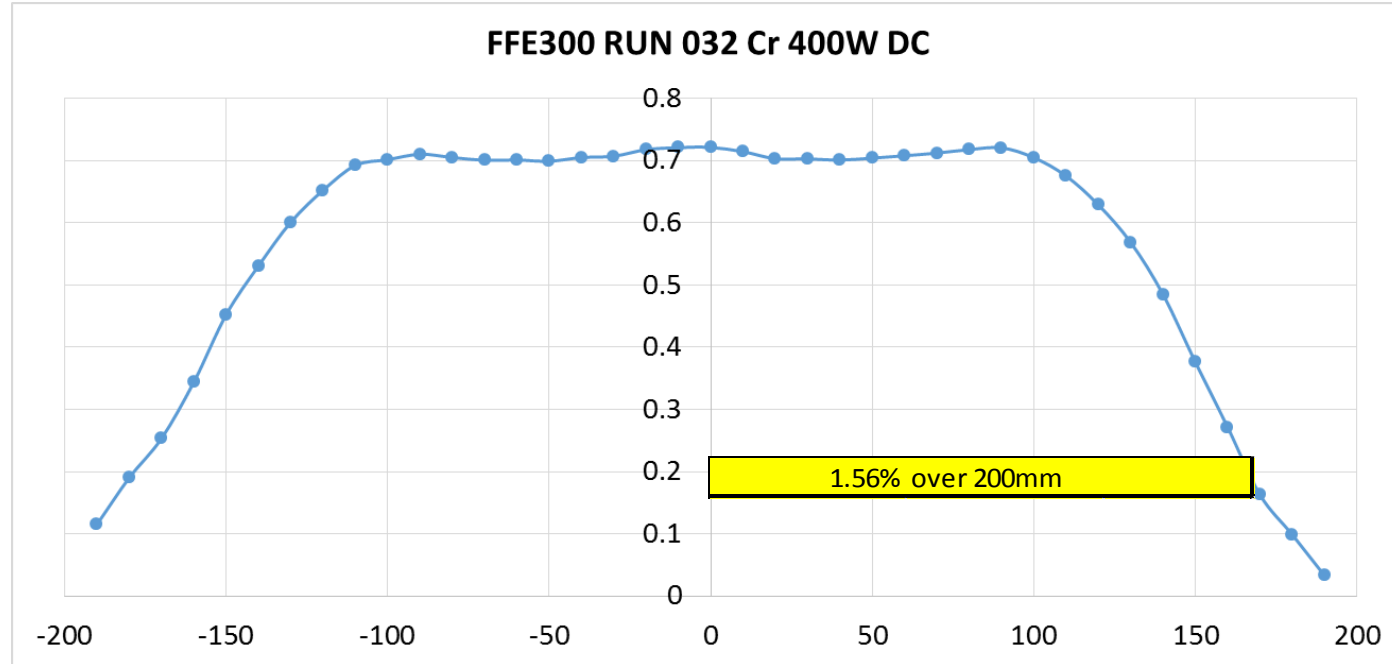


## FFE300 – Cr target

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## Uniformity test

Target:	Cr
Run No.:	032
Pressure	2.9E-03
RPM	150
Gas (Ar)	45%
Shunting	
Power	400W
Time	35S
Array	FE-01b
Array offset	5
T/S mm	60
S/N	S01533-FE-02



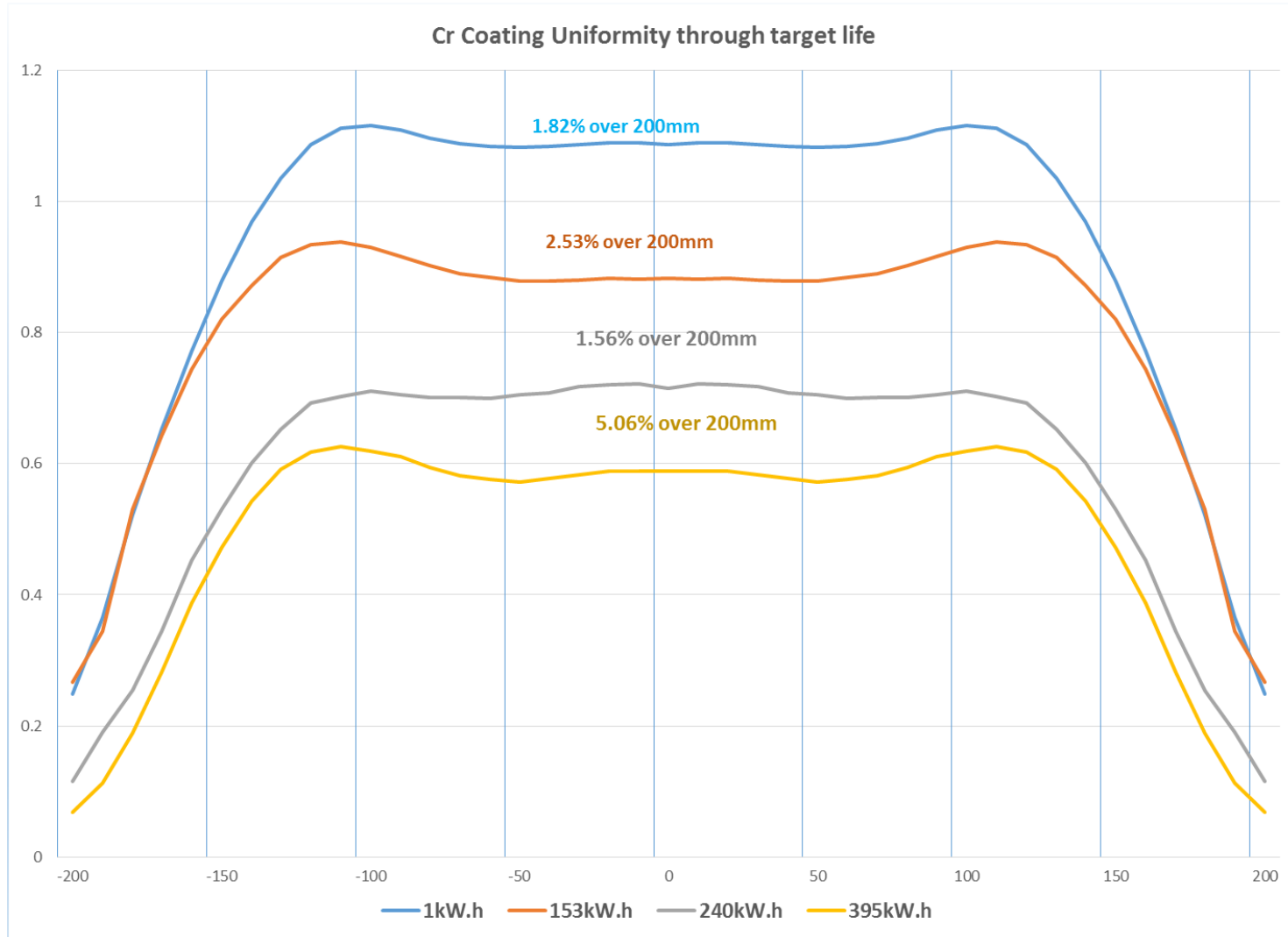
Position in mm vs Optical Density

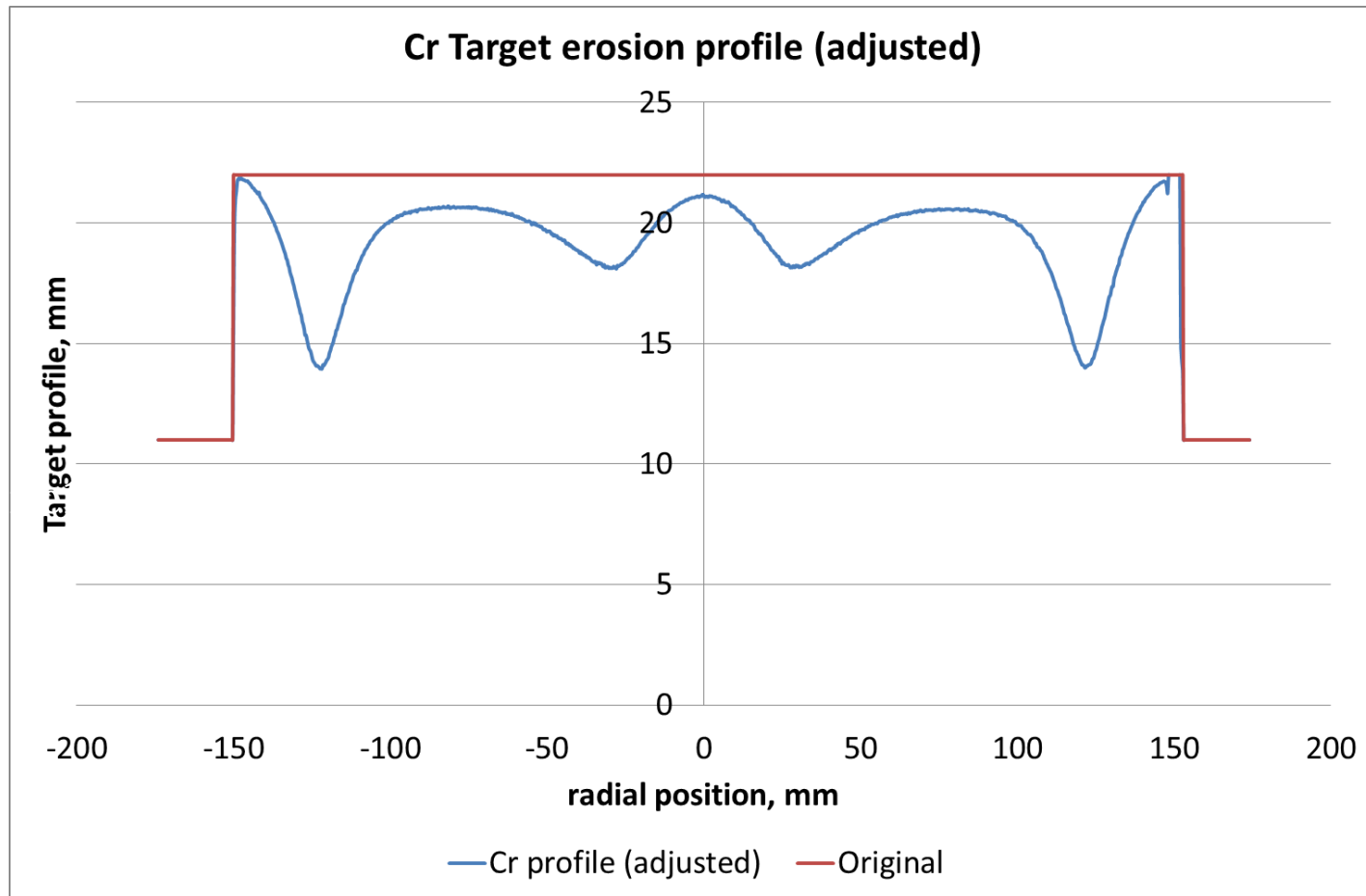
- Cr uniformity out at 240 kW.h +/- 1.6%



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# Cr Uniformity over full target life





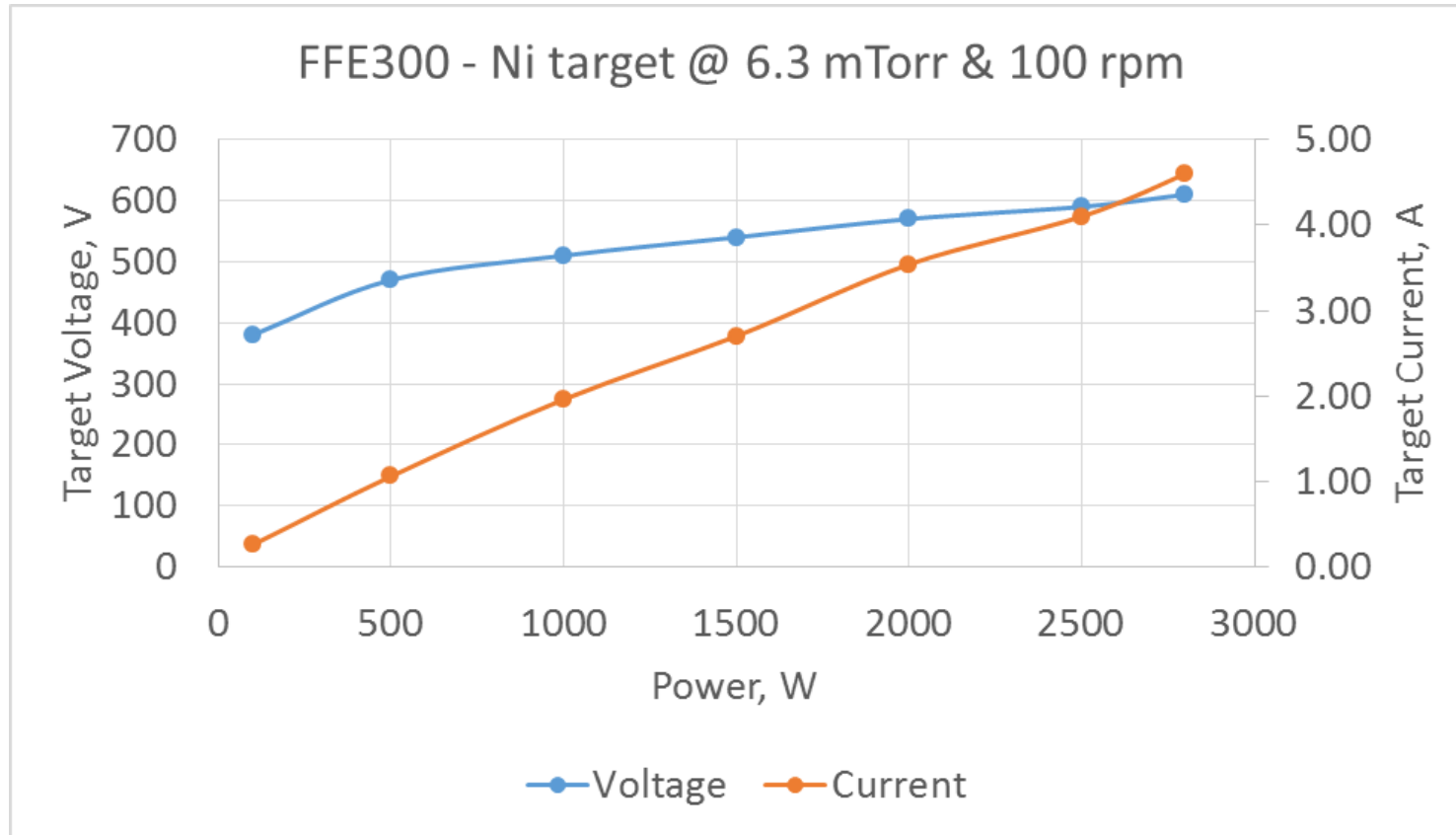
- Cr target utilisation (from profile): 38%
- Maximum depth from original: 7.5 mm

**DATA ADJUSTED FROM LASER SCANNING MEASUREMENTS**

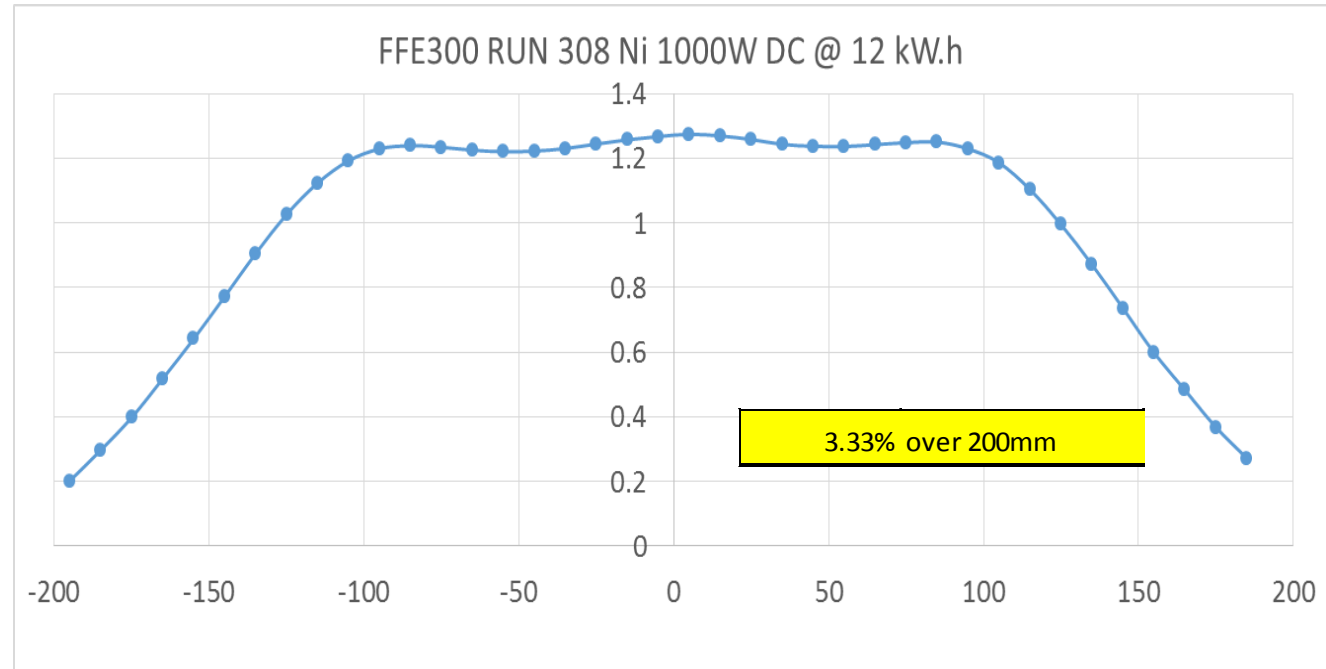


**FFE300 – Ni target**

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**V / I curves**

Target:	Ni
Run No.:	308
Pressure	6.0E-03 Torr
RPM	<b>30</b>
Gas (Ar)	<b>30%</b>
Shunting	N/A
Power	<b>1000W</b>
Time	<b>22 s</b>
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T/S mm	60
S/N	S0141-FE-01

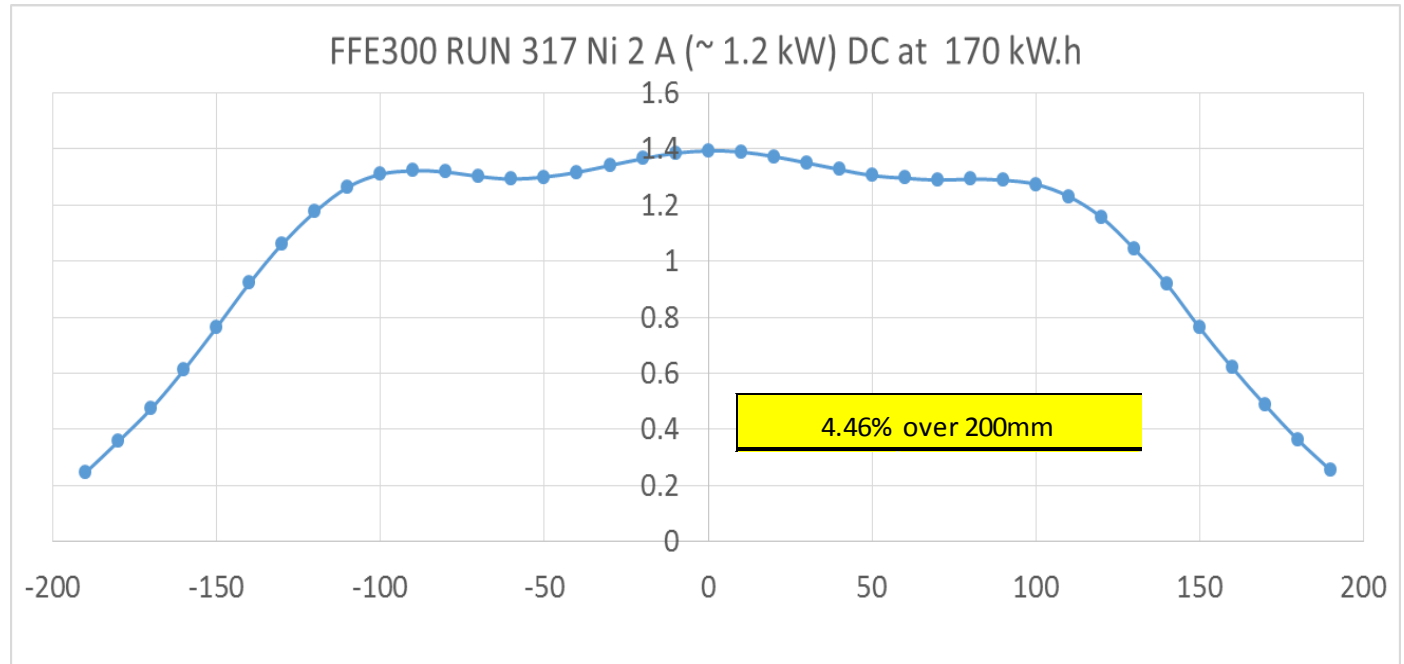


Position in mm vs Optical Density

As the target erodes the outer contribution increases, as this is the area of higher erosion depth



Target:	Ni
Run No.:	317
Pressure	6.0E-03 Torr
RPM	<b>60</b>
Gas (Ar)	30%
Shunting	N/A
Power	2 A (~1.2 kW)
Time	26 s
Array	h202x1.5c-Hear
Array offset	<b>12.5</b>
T/S mm	60
S/N	S0141-FE-01



Position in mm vs Optical Density

Bringing uniformity within spec.

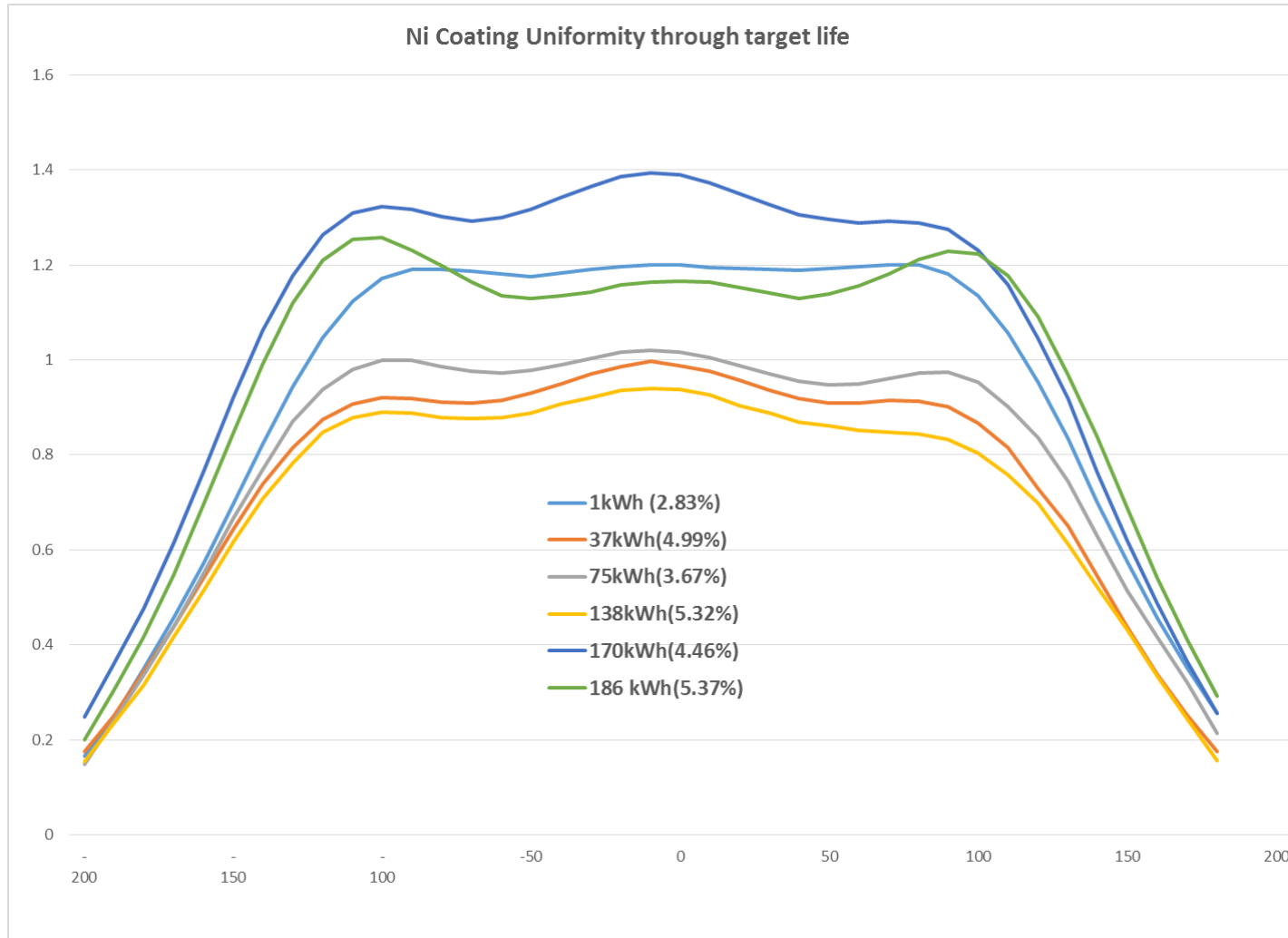
With constant current was possible to balance the side to side uniformity.

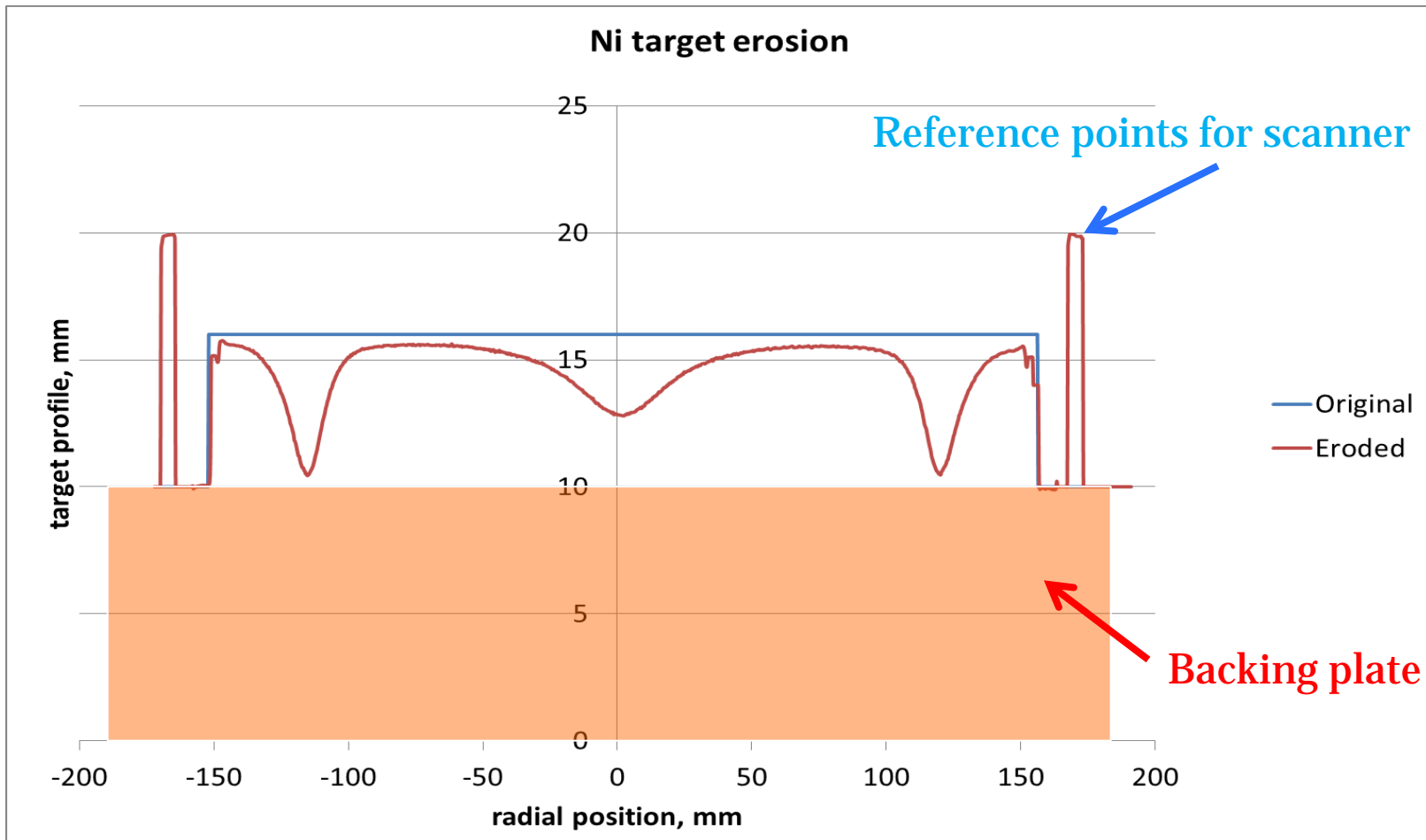




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## Ni Uniformity over full target life





Ni target profile after erosion:

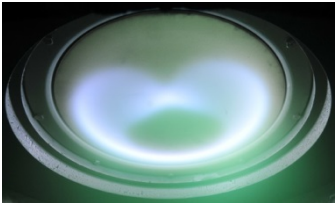
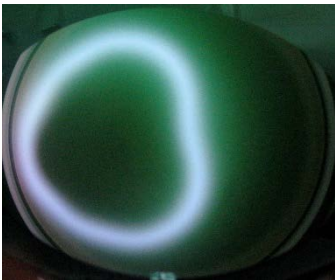
23.4% target use – 0.6 mm remaining from original 6 mm



# The FFE300 is the most advanced sputter source for static

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wafer coating on the market



- Flexible
- Unrivalled performance
- Standard cathode design usually in-stock
- Backed by Gencoa's process support
- Pre-delivery acceptance for specific processes (subject to a charge)
- OEM volume annual supply contracts available
- Gencoa ffe magnetrons are available from 75mm to 600mm target diameters

