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2 Test Portfolio

Mechanical-dynamical Testing

- Sinusoidal vibration¹
- Random vibration¹
- Half-sine shock pulse¹
- All tests under differing temperatures for small equipment (on customer request)
- Pyroshock¹
- Modal Parameter Identification

Thermal-Vacuum Tests

- Thermal Cycling with/without artificial sun¹
- Thermal Balancing with/without artificial sun¹
- Venting
- Deployment in thermal-vacuum environment (on customer request)

Climate Chamber Tests

- Ambient pressure climate tests¹
- Dry Heat Microbial Reduction (DHMR)

Contamination Test / Degradation Test

- Material outgassing according to ECSS-Q-ST-70-02C¹
- Components outgassing¹
- Thermo-optical properties of surfaces

Radiation Testing

- Electromagnetic radiation: VUV, UV, visible light, IR
- Particle radiation: Protons, Electrons

Electro-magnetic Compatibility Testing

- electromagnetic compatibility according to ECSS-E-ST-20-07C
 - o conducted emission
 - o radiated emission
 - o conducted susceptibility
 - o conducted susceptibility
- error/disturbance detection
- error/disturbance localization
- DC magnetic field emission
- DC magnet moment¹

¹ Accredited according to DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

3 11 kN Vibration Test Facility



Purpose: Sine Vibration, Random Vibration, Half-sine Shock

Type: TIRA VIB 51010/LS with slip table TGT-MO-24

Technical Parameters:	Sinus / Random
Nominal force	11000 N
Max. acceleration	97 g
Max. velocity	1.8 m/s
Max. stroke	51 mm
Max. test specimen weight	150 kg on armature / 500 kg on slip table
Frequency band	2 Hz – 5000 Hz

Cleanliness: ISO 8

Accreditation: DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

4 89 kN Vibration Test Facility



Purpose: Sine Vibration, Random Vibration, Half-sine Shock

Type: TIRAvib 59389 / AIT-440
with slip table TGT MOH 39

Technical Parameters:

Nominal force	Sine / Random / Shock 89 / 89 / 267 kN
Max. acceleration	100 g / 90 _{RMS} / 250 g
Max. velocity	2 / 2 / 3.5 m/s
Max. stroke (peak to peak)	63.5 / 63.5 / 76.2 mm
Max. test specimen weight	970 kg on armature / 2200 kg on slip table
Frequency band	5 Hz – 2400 Hz

Cleanliness: ISO 8

Accreditation DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

5 Pyroshock Test Facility



Purpose: Pyrotechnic Shock, Modal Parameter identification

Mounting: Aluminium ringing plate or tuned beam

Excitation: nail gun on metal target, handheld or pendulum hammer

SRS Adjustment:

Metal target	variation of mounting location
Test specimen	variation of mounting location
Damping	usage of different damping materials

SRS Levels: up to 26 000 g in SRS

Specimen Weight: ≤ 30 kg

Accreditation: DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

6 Space Simulation Chamber



Purpose: Thermal Cycling with/without artificial sun, Thermal Balancing with/without artificial sun, Venting

Recipient:

Volume	ca. 17 m ³
Test volume length	3.5 m
Test volume diameter	2.1 m
Test volume height above cold plate	1.6 m
Pressure	<10 ⁻⁶ mbar
Temperature range	90 K – 390 K
Temperature control	electrical and IN ₂

Sun Simulator:

Heat	0.5 – 1.4 kW/m ²
Illuminated diameter	ca. 1 m
Spectrum	0.2 – 2.5 μm
Collimation angle	±2°

Data Acquisition:

Temperature Measurement Channels	80
Thermocouples	PT100
Customer feedthrough	3x SUB-D 37PIN, 2x SUB-D 25PIN 2x SUB-D 15PIN, 2x SUB-D 9PIN

Cleanliness: ISO 8

7 Sun Simulation Chamber



Purpose: Thermal Cycling with/without artificial sun, Thermal Balancing with/without artificial sun, Venting

Recipient:

Volume	0.80 m ³
Overall length	0.8 m
Usable diameter	0.45 m
Pressure	10 ⁻⁷ mbar - 10 ⁻⁶ mbar
Temperature range	-180 C – 120 C
Temperature control	Electrical, thermostat and IN ₂

Sun Simulator:

Heat flux	0.9 – 1.4 kW/m ²
Illuminated diameter	ca. 100 mm
Spectrum	0.2 – 2.5 μm

Data Acquisition:

Temperature Measurement Channels	80
Thermo-couples	PT100

Cleanliness: ISO 8

Accreditation: DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

8 Climate Chamber



Purpose: Ambient pressure climate tests

Technical Parameters:

Usable volume	600 l
Dimensions (L/W/H)	800 mm / 760 mm / 950 mm
Max. specimen weight	160 kg
Temperature range	-70°C – 180 C
Maximum temperature change	
Cooling	2.5 K min ⁻¹
Heating	4.0 K min ⁻¹
Relative humidity	1% - 98% (gN ₂ <10%)
Atmosphere	Air, gaseous Nitrogen
Feedthroughs	1 x ø125 mm, 1 x ø50 mm

Cleanliness: ISO 8

Accreditation: DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

9 EMC Test Facility



Purpose: electromagnetic compatibility according ECSS-E-ST-20-07C, error/disturbance detection, error/disturbance localization, DC magnetic field emission, DC magnet moment

Technical Parameters and practicable tests according ECSS-E-ST-20-07C

Chambers Dimension	5.22 m x 5.5 m x 3.3 m
Conducted Emissions/Susceptibility	30 Hz to 200 MHz
Conducted Susceptibility Transients	0,15 μ s / 10 μ s
Radiated Emission	10 kHz to 40 GHz
Radiated Susceptibility	30 MHz to 80 MHz @ 10 V/m 80 MHz to 6 GHz @ 20 V/m
ESD	up to 15 kV
Measurement of	in-rush current bonding resistors isolation resistors/capacitance

10 Micro VCM Test Facility



Purpose: Material outgassing Measurements according to ECSS-Q-ST-70-02C

Technical Parameters:

Volume	30 l
Vacuum	$10^{-6} - 10^{-7}$ mbar
Outgassing temperature	125°C
Required sample amount	≈ 10 g/Material

Standard:

ECSS-Q-ST-70-02C	TML, RML, CVCM, WVR
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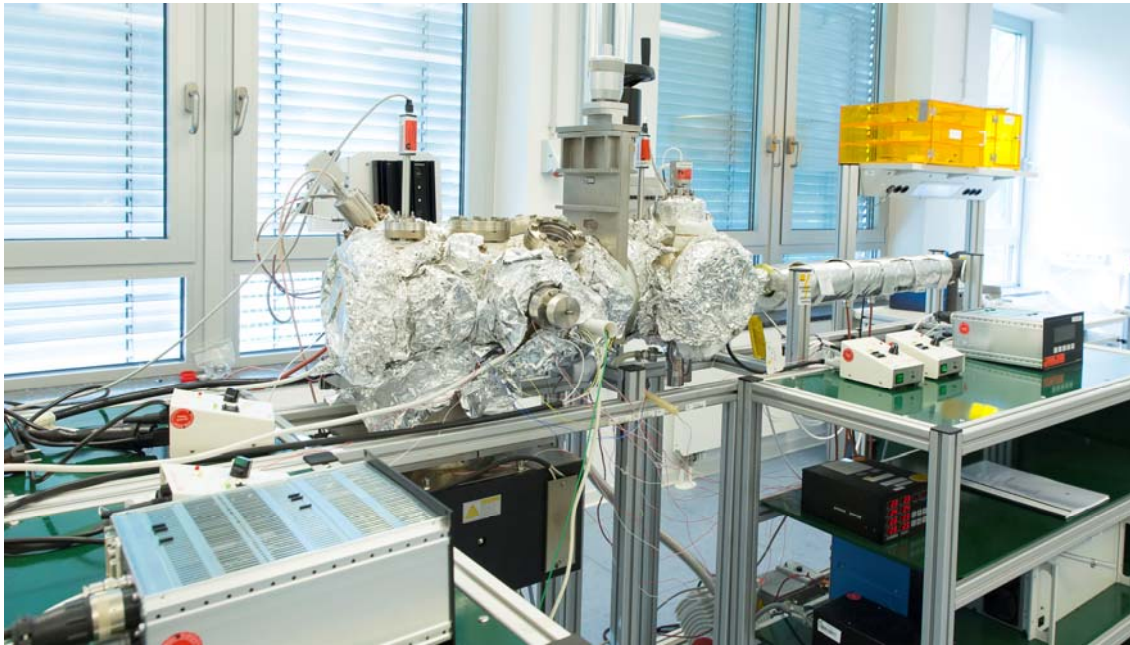
Analysis of contaminants:

IR transmission measurement

Accreditation:

DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

11 Ultra High Vacuum Test Facility



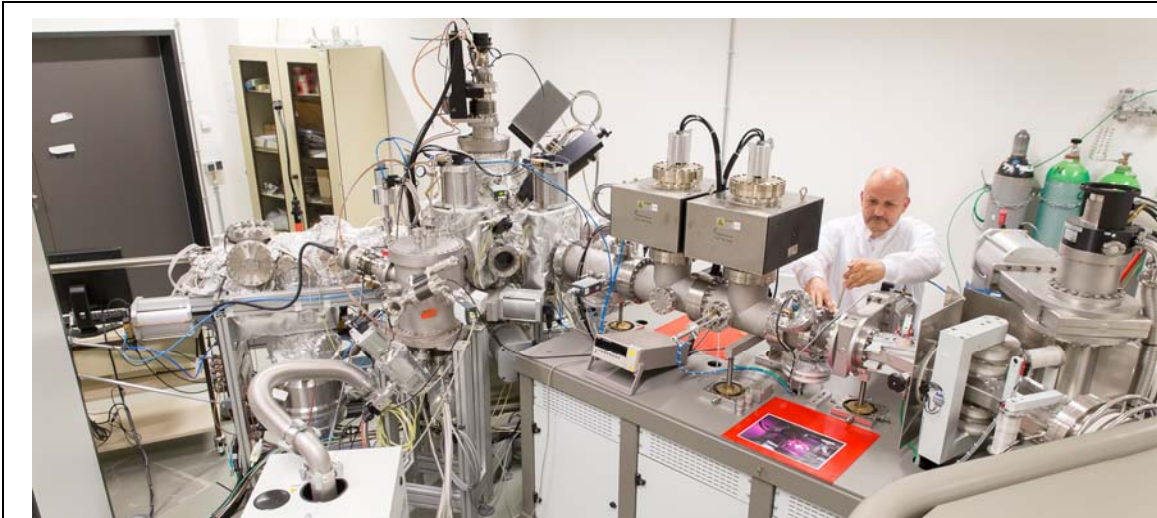
Purpose: Outgassing of material, mechanical parts and EEE components

Technical Parameters:

Test chamber volume	12 l
Vacuum lock volume	7 l
Pressure (empty chamber)	$5 \cdot 10^{-10}$ mbar
Mass range	1 – 510 amu
Temperature range	RT – 250°C
Residual gas analyzer	Quadrupol mass spectrometer

Accreditation: DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

12 Complex Irradiation Facility (CIF)



Purpose: Material surface electromagnetic and corpuscular radiation

Recipient:

Volume	0.035 m ³ (400 mm diameter)
Pressure	<10 ⁻⁸ mbar without VUV-simulator <10 ⁻⁶ mbar with VUV-simulator
Irradiated diameter	80 mm

Light Sources:

Sun simulator	200 – 2150 nm (4.5kW/m ²)
Deuterium VUV source	112 – 400 nm (1.65 W/m ²)
Argon VUV source	40 – 410 nm (58 mW/m ²)

Proton, Electron Source:

Current at lower Energy Range (1 – 10 keV)	1 – 100 nA
Current at higher Energy Range (10 – 100 keV)	0.1 – 100 μA

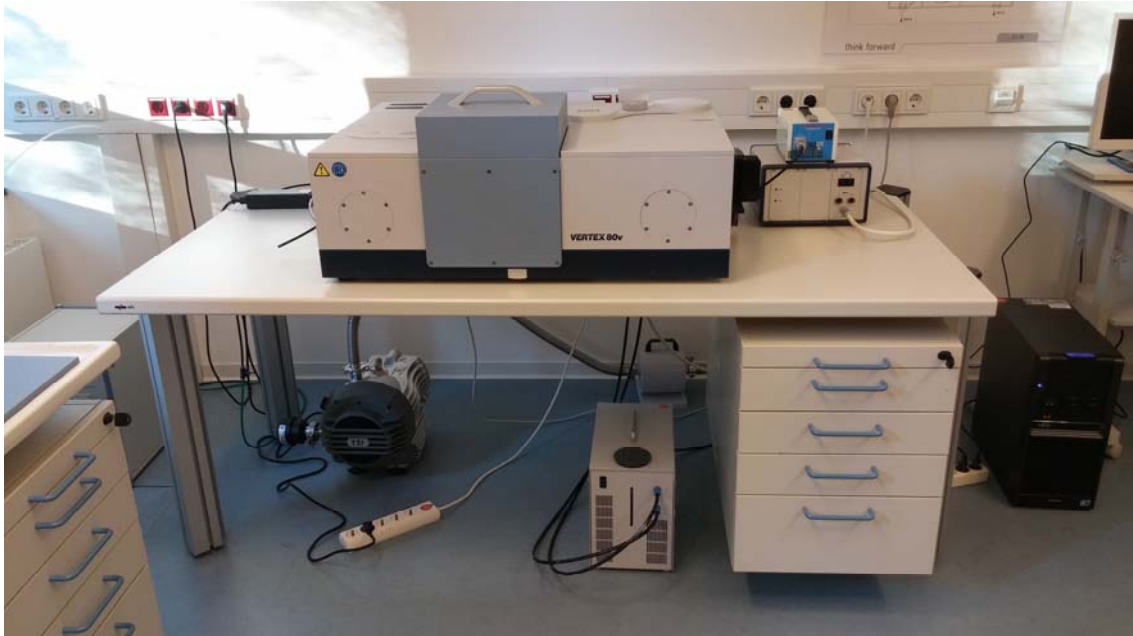
Specimen Temperature Control:

Heating	Halogen emitter (600 W, 600 K)
Cooling	Liquid Nitrogen (LN ₂ , 80 K)

Data Acquisition:

In situ measurement	Reflectivity and Absorptivity (planned)
Quadrupole mass spectrometer	
Radiation, Temperature, Pressure	

13 Bruker Vertex 80v FT-IR Spectrometer



Purpose: Measurements of solar absorptance α_s , hemispherical thermal emittance ϵ_h , specular reflectance, and transmittance

Technical Parameters:

Wavelength range α_s	250 – 2500 nm
Wavelength range ϵ_h	3 – 25 μm
Working pressure	2 mbar
Spectral resolution	Better than 0.2 cm^{-1}
Test Sample Size	50 mm x 50 mm

Standard:

ECSS-Q-ST-70-09C	solar absorptance α_s , thermal emittance ϵ
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