DEVELOPMENT OF APPLIED PHYSICS PRODUCTS IN START UP COMPANIES



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Perspective I'm Bringing

- My Role:
 - Scientist/Engineer/Inventor
 - Product Developer Mostly semiconductor equipment hardware.
 - Manager as needed to bring products to success.
- Products
 - "Applied Physics Products"
 - Highly technical, hardware, plasmas, E&M, power electronics, reactive gases.
- Markets:
 - Niche markets selling to scientists and engineers.
 - Part of a supply chain, OEM customers, big customers are other mfg. companies.
- IP

• About 50 US patents, 2 jury trials, 1 settlement pre- ITC hearing.

Outline

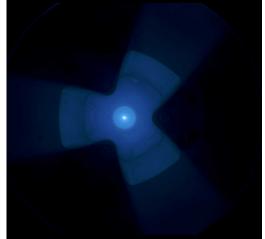
- A Time Line
- Products
 - Two products from Energetiq
- IP
- The Team
 - Long-term association /Self-selection, Continuity, Motivation
- Finance

Time Line

- 1981 MIT Plasma Fusion Center
- 1987 Microwave Plasma Technology (My Basement)
- 1988 ASTEX Founded
- 1994 ASTEX IPO
- 1998 Compact Instruments Founded
- 2000 MKS Instruments Acquires Compact Instruments
- 2001 MKS Instruments Acquires ASTEX
- 2004 Energetiq Technology Founded
- 2017 Hamamatsu Acquires Energetiq

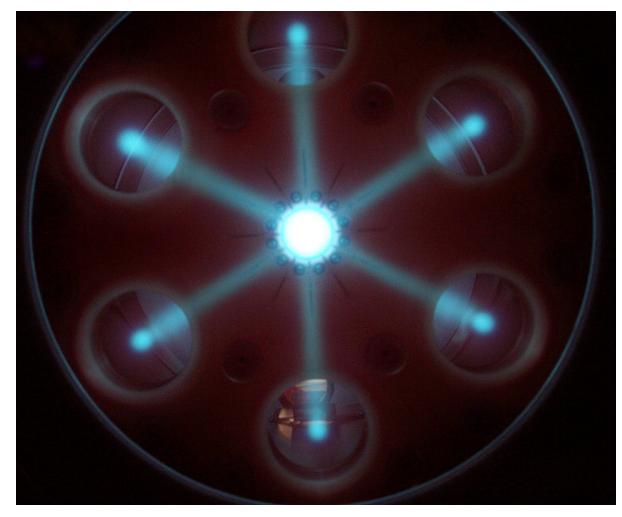
Two Technologies at Energetiq $A \rightarrow Start$ $B \rightarrow Success$

- A) Electrodeless Z-Pinch[™]
 - High Power Electrodeless Pulsed-Plasma Technology
 - High brightness 400 um diameter plasma
 - 1 nm to 20nm output wavelengths
- B) Laser-Driven Light Source (LDLS[™])
 - Patented CW laser-produced plasma light source technology
 - Very high brightness 100um to 200um size plasma
 - 160 nm to 15 um continuous output spectrum

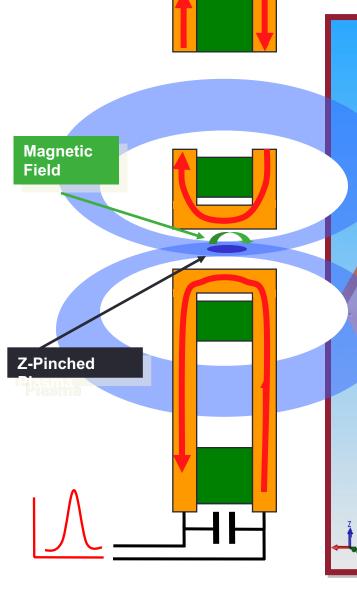




Electrodeless Z-Pinch

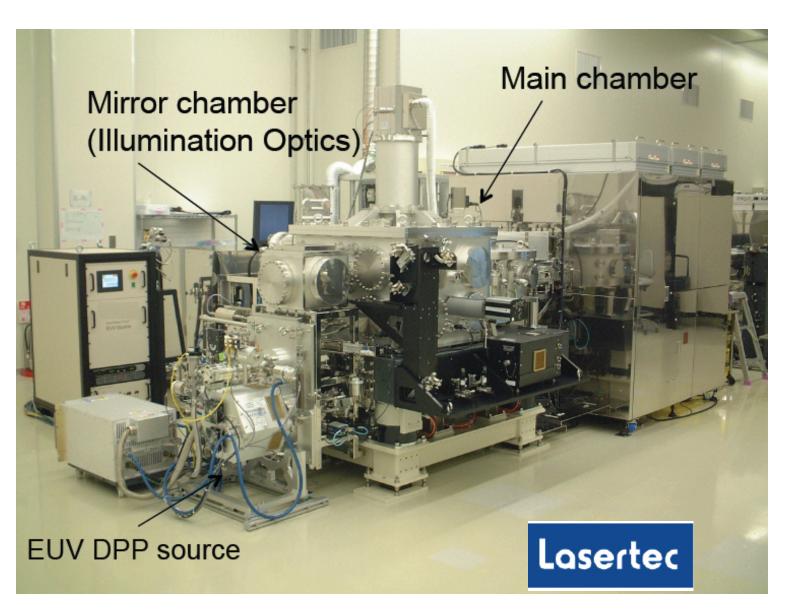


- Electrodeless Z-Pinch[™]
- Inductively driven current loops
- Single constricted high current region fed by parallel loops.



- Slow' pulse from modulator.
 Capacitor banks charge up.
 Outer core saturates. Impedance ⇒ 0
 Capacitor discharges.
 Inner core couples current pulse to
- Inner core couples current pulse to plasma loops.

Pulse in plasma current ⇒ Z-pinch!



Laser-Driven Light Source LDLSTM

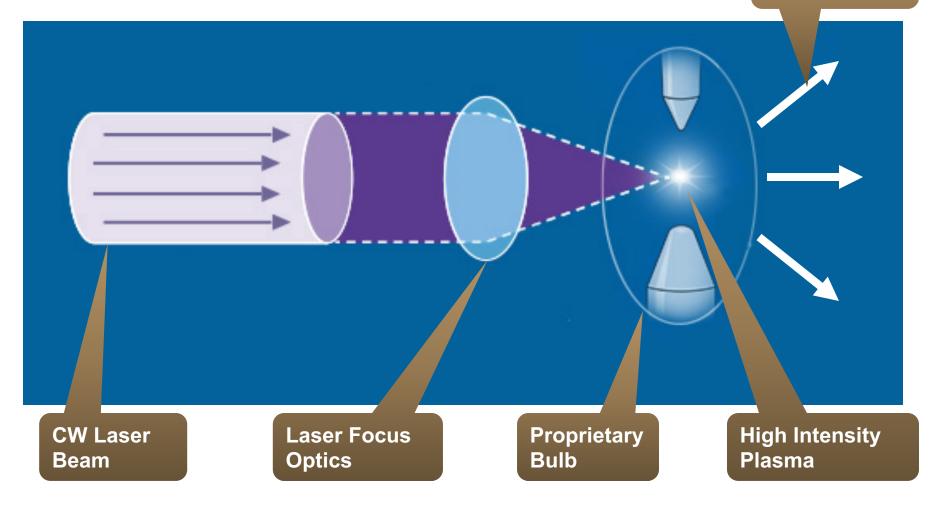
A unique combination of valuable characteristics in a single light source:



- Broad Spectrum: 170nm 15um
- Highest Brightness/Radiance
- Longest Life with High Stability

Laser-Driven Light Source: Principle of Operation

Broadband Output



Light from Arc-Lamp and LDLS

Xe Arc-Lamp







- High brightness: ~100 um diameter Xenon plasma,
- Efficient coupling into small fibers or spectrometer slits

Source of a Product Idea

- <u>A customer had a problem</u>
 - KLA-Tencor (\$4B Rev.) makes tools to inspect patterned wafers
 - Existing light source placed hard limit on throughput
 - Value of tool is proportional to throughput
 - Need 10X brighter light source
- They saw our EUV light source
 - Can we do that in DUV, CW, Broad-band?
 - No, but it's a challenging problem and we will work on it.
 - Also, the value of a solution is high.

The Invention

- Existing light source was xenon/mercury arc lamp
 - Fully mature technology, no hope for 10X.
 - The ideal "arc lamp" is a small ~100um black body with 10X more power per unit emitting area.
- How do you put 10X more power into a suitable target?
 - Laser
 - Will that work? Laser focused into high pressure xenon?
 - No. Absorption at practical laser wavelengths is too weak.
 - NRL Plasma Formulary inverse bremsstrahlung.
 - <u>But</u>, it's only too weak by about an order of magnitude and this is plasma physics after all.
 - Try it. Borrow a fiber laser, buy some arc lamp bulbs on ebay.

* This is over simplified. A lot of literature research was done, but still went from idea to bench test in the month of December 2005.

The IP

- The LDLS product exists in a complex IP environment.
- We filed our first patent in March 2006 using the time after the initial bench test to gather more complete data and do more literature research.
- Importantly, we filed various continuations and CIP over the following years, about 9 US patents, many foreign.
- We licensed some IP to our customer.
- We enforced the IP against another customer who built an infringing product.
- Ultimately the strong IP and the enforcement was key to a high valuation of the company.

Patents in General

• Find a patent lawyer who <u>understands</u> your technology.

- This is worth a lot.
- Get the patent right. Make sure you understand and agree with everything in it. If it can be made more clear and complete, do that.
- Stay engaged. Don't throw it over the wall.
- Enforcing patents is expensive. See Finance section.

IP in General

- Many customers will see value in doing deals with you which encumber your IP. These deals may be good for you, too.
- Make sure contracts are as limited as possible. Don't give up anything you don't have to. Understand everything in IP agreements.
- Stay engaged. Don't throw it over the wall.

The Team (in the beginning)



The Team

- The photo is of the TARA group at MIT (Mike is in the middle)
- I quickly count 14 people (including three ASTeX founders) in the photo plus 4 others who worked for many years at ASTeX, Nexx and Energetiq.
- These companies involved hundreds of people over many years, but especially in product development the value of starting with a team you know and continuing to build a self-selected long term collaboration is large.

The Team – Sharing Success

- In these start-up companies we provided for good salaries, health care benefits and equity participation from the beginning. And a nice facility to work in. See Finance section.
- I don't think a lot of austerity is a good idea.
- Six founders at Energetiq started with various amounts of common stock plus preferred stock if they were able to invest cash.
- All employees received options as part of their compensation and as a hiring incentive.

Financing of Energetiq

- Energetiq was started with about \$750K in cash.
- About one year later after a prototype was running and we had engaged with Intel we raised about \$3M from individuals whom we new or had connections with.
- Subsequently we raised two more rounds involving Intel Capital, Shea Ventures and Ushio. Total financing raised was about \$16M.
- IP generated several million in license royalties which provided non-dilutive cash for LDLS development.

Financing in general

- Get a lawyer who has lots of experience with start-up, high tech, growth companies.
- Structure the company properly for investors and a future exit.
- Friends, angels and previous investors are a good way to get started. If you have a track record this is easy, if not a little harder.
- Good business plan. Convey your excitement, commitment and talent to potential investors.
- Traditional venture capital is difficult for hardware companies unless you are in a niche which is trendy.
- Strategic investors can be a better match, Intel Capital or Ushio in our case.

Thank You

