## Surface Reformation of Insulating Resin by Ultra Violet Treatment

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# What is the surface reformation method by UV irradiation?

Pretreatment for electroless plating using UV irradiation as a substitute for etching

## [Advantages]

- Enables formation of a conductive layer on a smooth resin surface
- Enables formation of a conductive layer on difficult to plate materials
- Environmentally friendly plating process

## **UV** surface reformation method



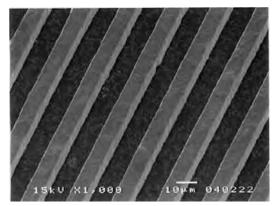
184.9 nm: 8 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>

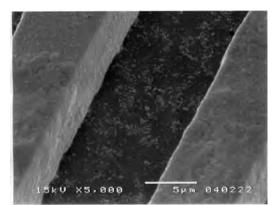
253.7 nm: 18 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>

Low pressure mercury Lamp Irradiation Air atmosphere **Distance Insulating resin material** 

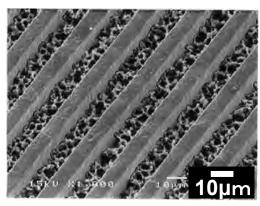
## Wiring patterns formed on modified surface

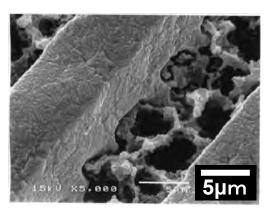
UV modified





**Conventional method** 

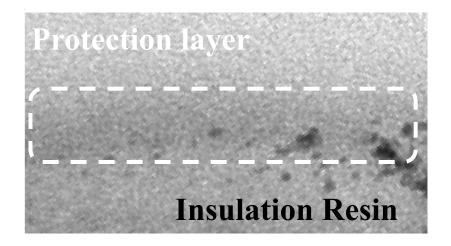




- -Minimal damage to the resin surface
- -Enable to form micro circuits
- -Allows 10micron line and pitch space

## Effect of modified layer on adhesion strength

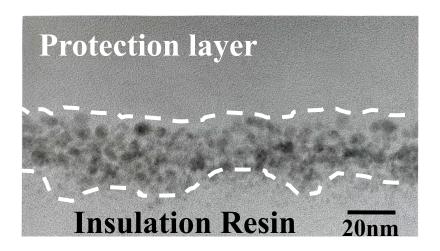
#### Without modification



No modification layer

Adequate adhesion strength is not obtained

With modification

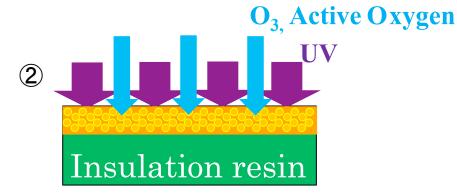


**Modified layer** 

More than 1.0 kN/m adhesion strength can be achieved

## **Mechanism for Adhesion**

1 Insulation resin





Catalyst penetrates resin to form diffused catalyst layer



Ozone is generated during irradiation of resin





Nanoscale anchor layer is formed by electroless plating reaction which progressing from catalyst layer

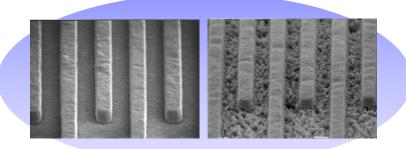
The sureface material is Oxidatively cleaved, then eluted from resin to form nanoscale voids

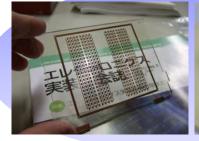
## **Applicable materials**

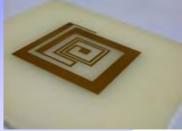
LCP, PI, COP, PA, Urethane, ABS. Nylon etc.

Application examples

Micro circuit pattern on smooth substrate



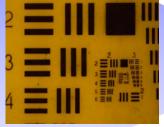


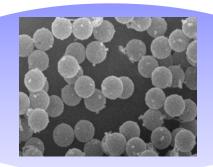


Form conductive layer on difficult to plate materials

Selective plating for fine pitch pattern



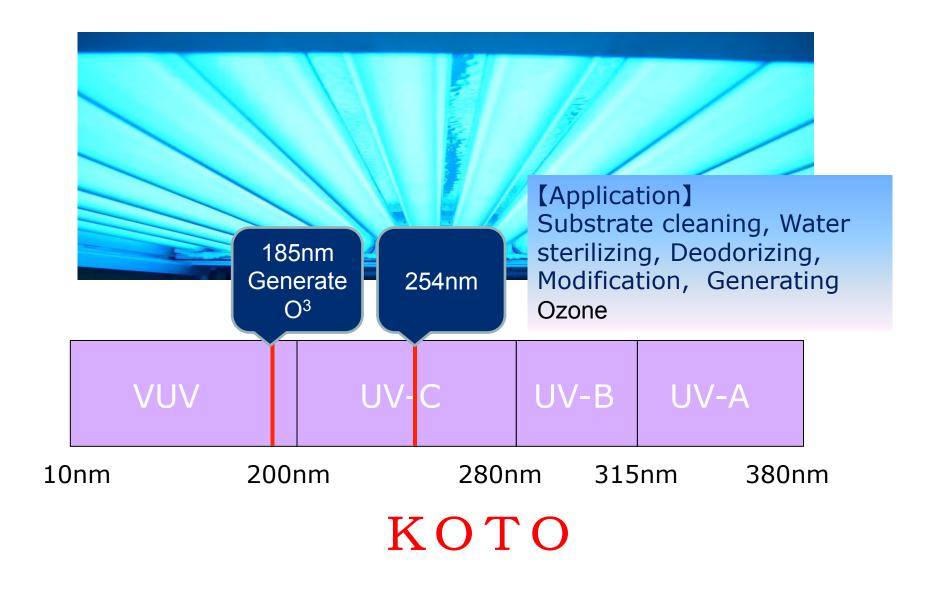




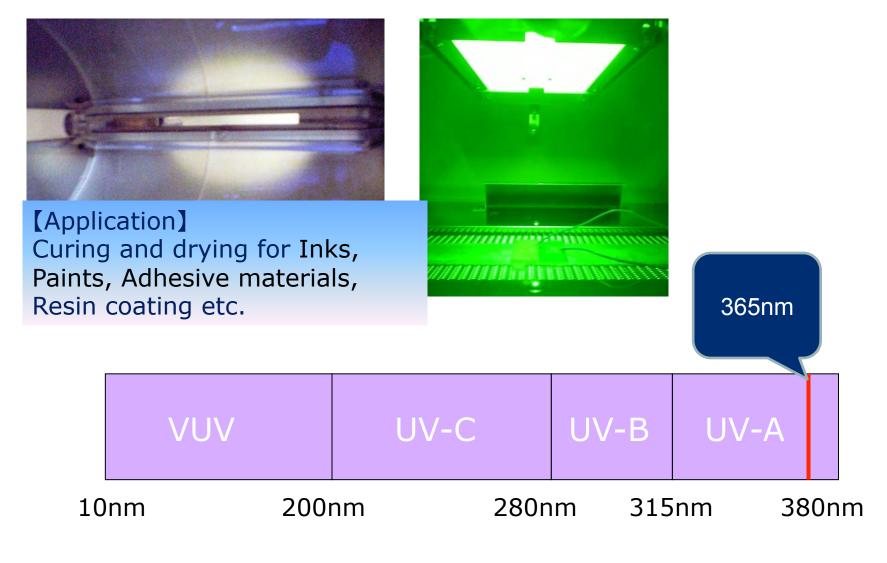
Environmentally-friendly

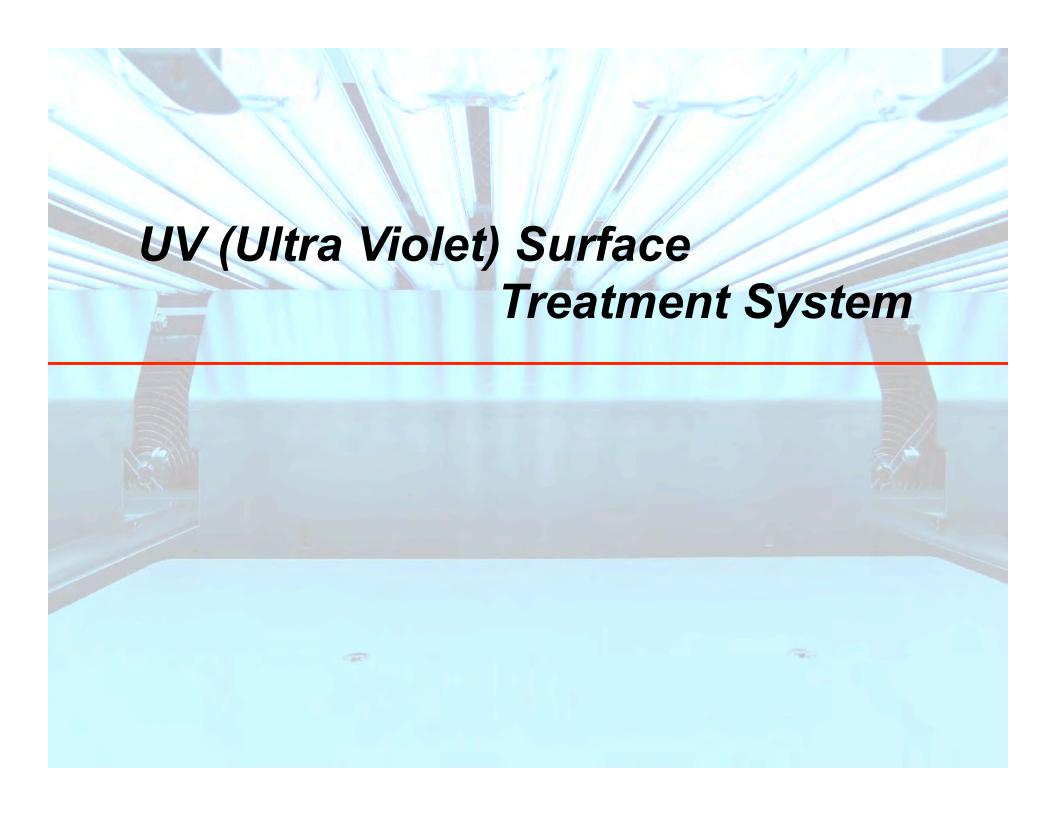
Anisotropic conductive fine particles

## Low Pressure UV Lamp



## High pressure UV Lamp





## UV Surface Treatment System for 3 dimensional objects (KOL4-1200V)

#### **■**Features

- Easily set irradiation speed. Just press Start button to clean and modify the surface of material
- Simple UV output and treatment temperature settings
- Enables UV irradiation while a material is rotating
- Supports material size up to 200×200×700(mm)



#### ■Specification

[Effective irradiated area] 200×200×700 (mm)

【Irradiation distance】 15~100(mm)

[Lamp] High output low-pressure mercury lamp

[Footprint] W1000×D1000×H2350(mm)

[Utility] AC200V(50/60Hz) Exhaust duct

### Small UV Surface Treatment System (KOL1-300)

#### **■**Spec

[Effective irradiated area] 150 × 150(mm)
[Irradiation distance] 5 ~ 100(mm)
[Lamp] High output low pressure mercury lamp

[Footprint]W360  $\times$  D550  $\times$  H530(mm) [Utility]AC200V(50/60Hz)

#### Accessories

- ■300W low pressure mercury lamp(KOGLQ-300GS) 1pc
- Power source for the low pressure mercury lamp(KSG-302MHKT) 1pc
- Connection cables



## Roll-to-Roll UV Surface Treatment System (KOL2-1200V/R)

#### **■**Features

- Easily set irradiation speed and press Start button to clean and modify the surface of material
- Simple UV output and treatment temperature setting
- Enable UV treatment of various films by simply adjusting the tension of the rollers
- Support different material sizes
   (500mm wide or less, outer diameter
   Φ300 or less)
- ■Specification

[Effective irradiation with] 500mm

【Irradiation distance】 10∼30(mm)

[Lamp] High output low temperature

[Footprint] W2300×D1400×H1750(mm)

[Utility] AC200V(50/60Hz) Exhaust dust



## UV Surface Treatment System (KOL4-600H/L)

#### **■**Features

- Conveyer operation modes can be switched between continuous and intermittent for cleaning and property modification.
- Support up to 250 mm wide materials of sheets, films and exterior components.
- Applicable to heat sensitive materials by using cooling net.
- Real-time monitoring of the temperature inside the equipment is possible.



#### ■Specification

【Effective irradiated area】 250×500(mm)

【Irradateion distance】 15∼100(mm)

[Lamp] High output low-pressure mercury lamp

[Footprint] W1800×D1620×H1360(mm)

[Utility] AC200V(50/60Hz) Exhaust duct

## Thank you