# High Volume Assembly & Test Solutions To Meet The Rapidly Growing MEMS Market

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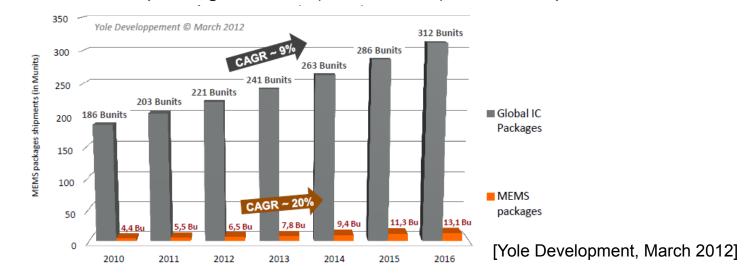


# **MEMS & IC Package Comparison**



#### MEMS Package Relative Growth

 MEMS package market is now growing at an accelerated rate (~20% CAGR) of more than twice the overall IC package market (~9% CAGR), in unit shipments



#### Commonalities between MEMS & IC Packaging

- Driven by miniaturization
- Driven by cost reduction
- Driven by integration

#### Differences between MEMS & IC Packaging

- MEMS early adoption into high grade applications bred great diversity
- The rapid adoption and growth is in a very early stage without standardization

# **Growth and Diversity**



#### • Explosive growth of MEMS Opportunities

- Enabled by creative application of known wafer fabrication techniques to create Si-based transducers
- Form factors are as diverse as the applications they serve



- Diversity in application and requirements is driving many unique packaging solutions through combinations of:
  - Design
  - Materials
  - Processing



# **MEMS Diversity of Assembly Materials**



#### Substrate

- Low CTE thin core
- Pre-molded and in-frame cavity lead frame
- Cavity in laminate substrate
- Ceramic

#### Die attach

- Low stress epoxy
- Silicone gel
- Die Attach Film(DAF)

#### Die coat Encapsulation

- Silicone Gel
- Ероху
- Lid

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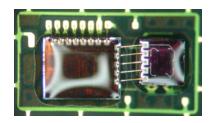
- Flat or formed metal
- Molded plastic

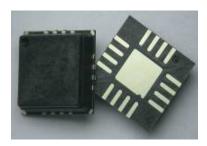
#### Molding compound

Low stress EMC









# **MEMS Diversity of Assembly Processing**



- Wafer Thinning
- Cavity protection
- Vacuum Chuck
- Wafer Expansion (Laser Stealth Dicing)

#### FC/WLP

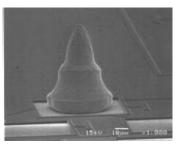
- Solder Bump, Au stud, or Cu Pillar
- Wafer level RDL
- Silicon TSV

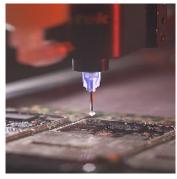
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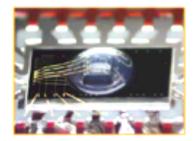
- Low Stress
- Multi-Die (stack, flip, vertical mount, side-by-side)
- Precise placement control (positional, rotational, tilt)
- Transducer protection (vacuum damage)
- Die coat
  - Coverage
  - Selective dispense
  - Transducer protection













# **MEMS Diversity of Assembly Processing**

#### Interconnect

- Ultrasonic wedge-bond
- Thermosonic ball-bond (Au or Cu)
- Micro Bump (TSV)
- FC (Thermo-compression, Reflow)

#### Lid attach of Cavity Packages

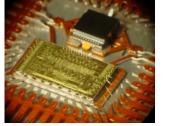
- Array or individual attach
  - Solder
  - Epoxy
  - Swage
  - Laser
  - Ultrasonic

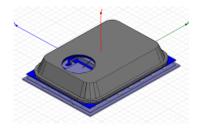
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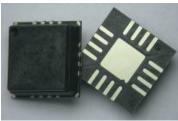
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- Strip Test
- In-Situ Stimulus
  - Acoustical ports
  - Inertial Shakers with Axis Alignment
  - Magnetic Field
  - Pressure









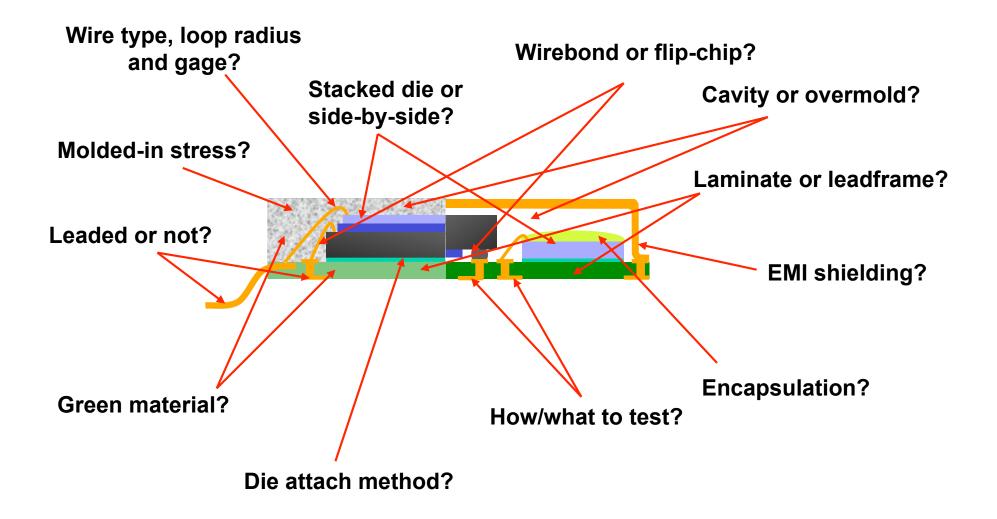




# **MEMS Packaging Complexity**



Many options and cost / performance considerations



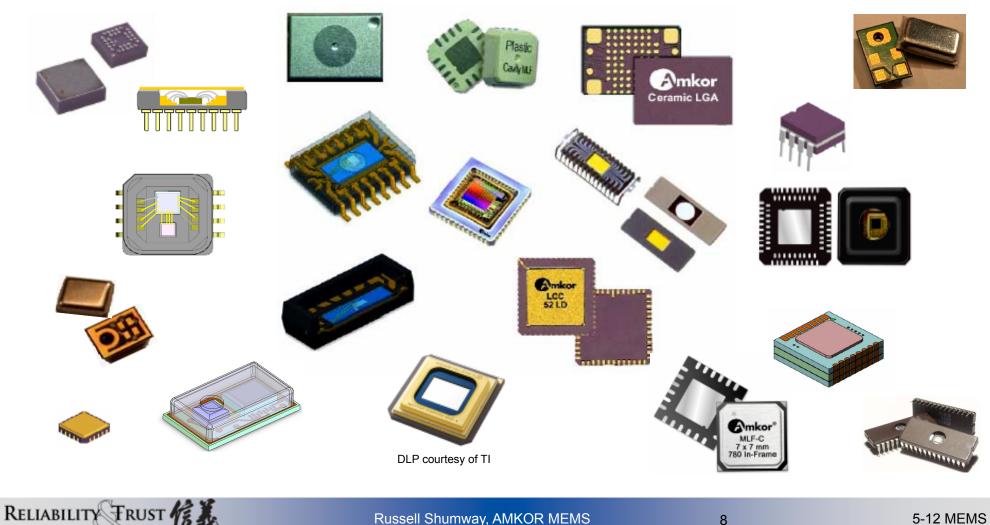


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## **MEMS** Packaging at Amkor

- First 20+yrs: Broad range of packages & numerous new, complex applications
- Next 10 to 20yrs will there be more standardization? YES!



# Standardization in MEMS Fab, Assembly & Test



- Early adoption bred diversity but rapid growth now creates a need for standardization to:
  - Increase cycle time-to-market for new applications & products
  - Support cost erosion

## MEMS Wafer Fabrication

- Adopting standard processes to support MEMS
  - DRIE Etching, Wafer Bonding, TSV

## MEMS Packaging

- Driving standard materials & strengthening supply base
- Integrating MEMS processes & handling into mature product lines
- Selecting Platforms that allow flexibility to support design variation
  - Cavities, Ports, Multi-die, Optical windows etc...

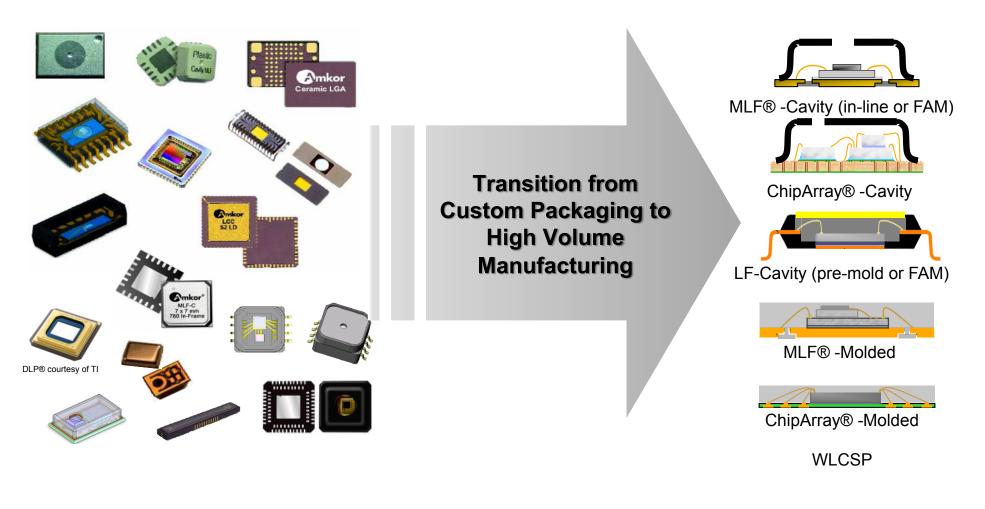
## MEMS Test

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- Multiple insertions & mechanical stimuli integration for combo sensors
- Strip based or Carrier based handling of various form factors for reuse & higher parallelism and lower total cost

# **Amkor MEMS & Sensor Packaging Evolution**

20+yr Experience and Evolution in MEMS & Sensor Packaging



#### Broad range of point solutions



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**Focused platforms** 

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## **MEMS Package Selection**



## • The package selection plays a critical role in

- The function and performance of sensor products
- controlling stresses to the MEMS structure
- ensuring stability over temperature and time through materials & design
- allowing the stimuli to reach the MEMS structure
- protecting the MEMS and ASIC devices

## Primary Platforms

- Ceramic Assembly
- Laminate Chip Array LGA/BGA
- Leadframe MLF
- WLCSP

## Important factors

- Flexibility in design to suit specific sensor type
- Scalability & flexibility for high volume is very important

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# Low cost laminate

- Low stress ceramic
- MLF-Cavity package structures
  - Cavity LF and flat lid

— or —

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- In-frame molded with formed lid
- Over-molded versions of each are available for MEMS that are more immune from stress effects

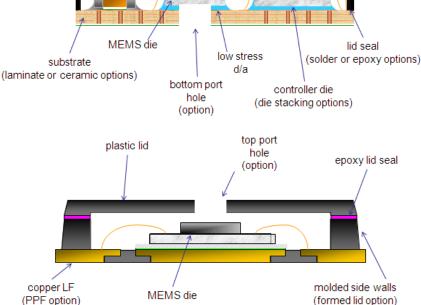
# CSP MEMS Packaging

- Two primary package platforms, CA and MLF, are allowing flexibility to accommodate several key MEMS applications
  - Pressure Sensors, Accelerometers, Microphones, Gyros

## CA-Cavity package structures

**Primary MEMS Platforms for Integration** 

- Highly flexible routing for SiP
  - or —



top port

hole

(option)

passive

component

(optional)



lid

(metal or plastic options)

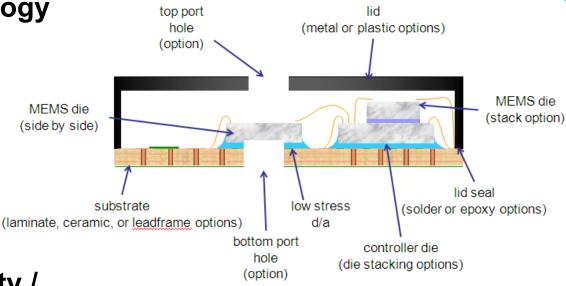
# Laminate Cavity MEMS Packages

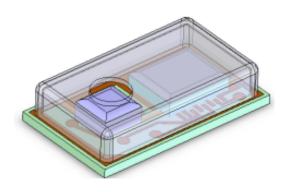


- Assembled using standard CSP Strip Format, Technology and Infrastructure
  - Small Die handling
  - 2D Strip Mapping
  - Multi Die and Die Stacking
  - Substrate Supply Base
  - Scalability

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- Matured lid attach capability / technology
- Universal approach to MEMS Packaging
  - Similar package structure can be applied for various MEMS application including Port Hole designs for environment stimulus

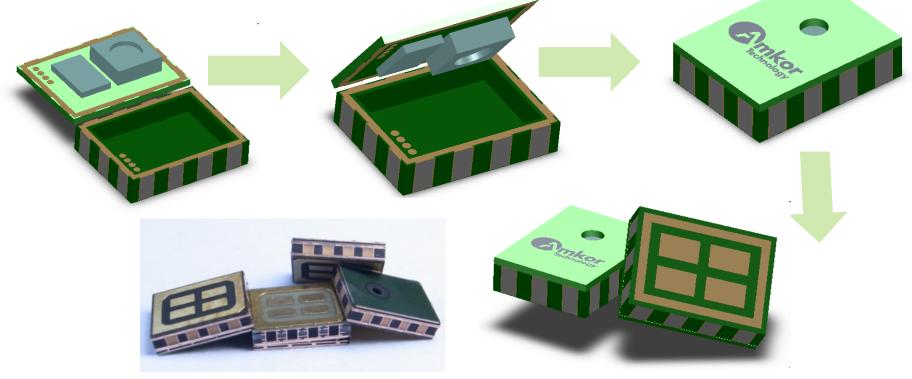




## Laminate to Laminate Package – L2L



- Efficient assembly of Cavity packages by joining 2 strips together to create the cavity structure (flat bottom laminate with a cavity top laminate as lid)
- Routing is available on both sides of the package which enables a completely reversible design for SMT
- Maximizes the available Cavity Space



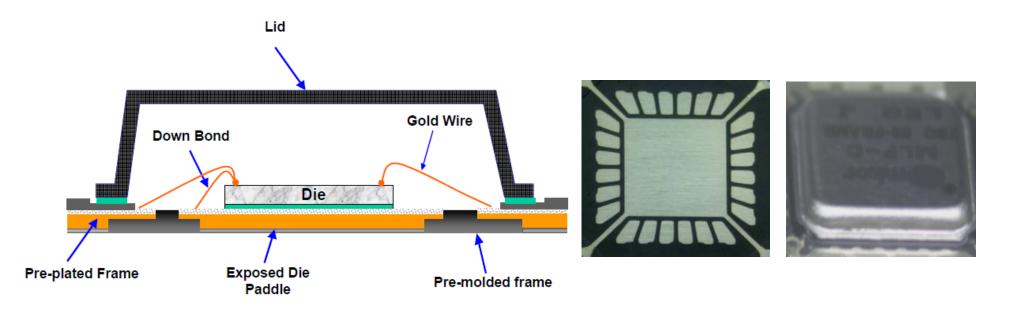
Reversible Package – Top Port♪



# What is In-Frame MLF Package?



- Leadframe-based Chip Scale Package Platform
- Metal / Plastic Lidded package
- Lid opening options for optical



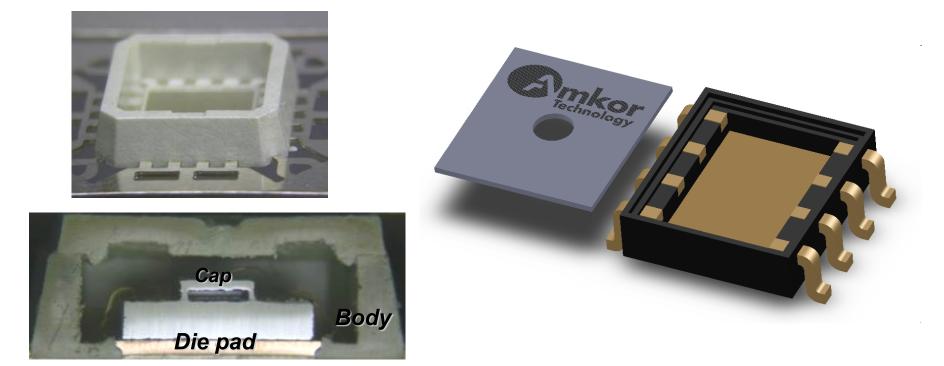


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# **Pre-Molded Leadframe Cavity Package**



- Pre-plated LF & Pre-molded Polymer Side wall
- Stacked or side by side die configuration
- Multiple lid options based on application (with or without ports)
- Lower cost alternative to ceramic cavity packaging for non hermetic application

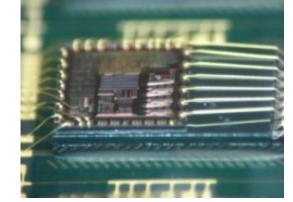


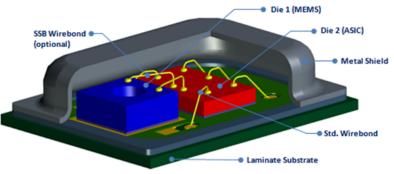
# Laminate Cavity MEMS Multi-Die Integration

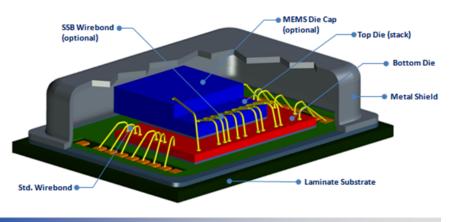
- Integration opportunities through combinations of controller die plus Accelerometers, Gyros, Pressure Sensors, Microphones and Magnetometers.
  - Examples

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- Gaming: Gyros + Accelerometers
- Smart Phones: Accelerometers + Gyros (or Magnetometer) + Pressure Sensor + Microphone
- Cable TV Remote Pointers: Accelerometers + Magnetometers
- CA Cavity MEMS Package platform allows flexibility to provide system in package configurations







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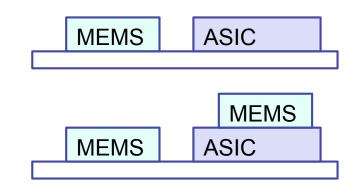
# **Enabling / Emerging Interconnect Technologies**

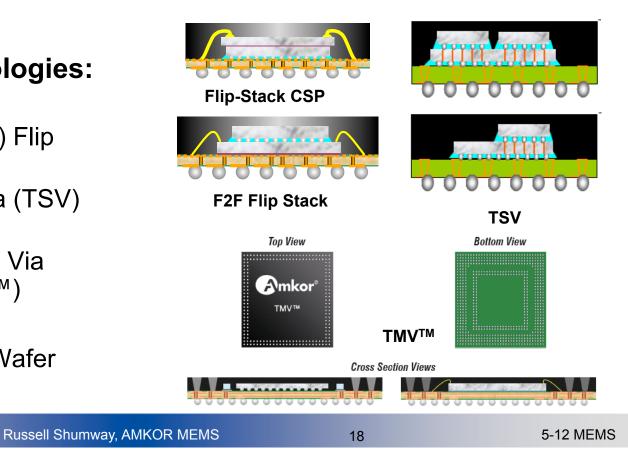


- Current Interconnect Technologies:
  - Side-by-side
  - Stacking
  - Wire bond
  - Flip Chip
- 3D Package Technologies: non-MEMS today
  - Face-to-Face (F2F) Flip Stack
  - Through Silicon Via (TSV) Stacks
  - Amkor's Thru-Mold Via Technology (TMV<sup>™</sup>)
  - Cu pillar FC

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- ASIC as Capping Wafer





# **Enabling Material & Processing**



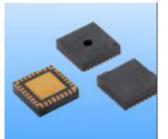
- Application:
  - Pre-molded Cavity packages
  - Polymer Lids
  - Bio-compatible thermoplastics
  - Micro-channels or ports for fluidic transport
  - Plated polymer for interconnect or EMI shielding
- Advantage of Injection molding of thermoplastics
  - low cost precision 3D structures especially beneficial to micro-fluidics
  - low cost impact for molding simple to complex structures

## **Film Assisted Molding**

- Applications:
  - Cavity Formation over LF, Laminate or Die Surface
  - Die surface exposure (humidity, temp, light sensors)
  - Wirebond protection (fingerprint sensors)
- Advantage of film assist molding technology
  - Can be applied to backend only of mature production line platforms so the rest of the line efficiencies can be realized









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# Summary



- There is a broad diversity of MEMS package requirements and form factors.
- Form factors will remain fairly broad due to several types of sensors & package function
- Accelerated MEMS market growth will drive standardization to offer performance and cost demands
- Standardization in package & test can be met by following a platform strategy that brings MEMS-specific materials, handling & processing to mature product lines to benefit from high volume cost & scale efficiency



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