

# ***Industrial Applications of Electron Beam***

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- Cross-linking
    - EB Irradiated Wires and Cables
    - EB Irradiated Components for Tire
    - PE Foam
  
  - Radical Polymerization
  
  - Graft Polymerization
  
  - Others
    - Semiconductor Device
    - Sterilization
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# *EB Irradiated Wires and Cables*

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## **Purpose**

- Cross-linking of Wire insulator

## **Applications**

- Automotive wire harness
- Audio/Video Products

## **Advantages of EB cross-linking**

- High Productivity
  - Simple composition & saving material
  - Easy Control
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# *EB Irradiated Components for Tire*

## Purpose

- Partial cross-linking

## Components

- Inner liner
- Carcass ply

## Advantages

- To save rubber material



***Reducing manufacturing cost***

# *PE Foam*

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## Purpose

- Cross-linking

## Applications

- Interior of automotive products
- Sporting goods
- Heat insulation

## Advantages of EB cross-linking

- Different process cross-linking and foam
  - High productivity
  - Simple composition
  - Easy controlled by beam current
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# *Application of Radical Polymerization*



## Purpose

- Surface treatment

## Applications

- Floppy disk/magnetic tape

## Advantages of EB process

- Instantaneous process  
     *Reduce aging time*
- No solvent requirement  
     *Environment advantage*
- No color limitation
- Low temperature rise





# *Electron Beam* *Useful Tool for Medical products*

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## 1) Sterilization

Medical Disposables;

Syringes (Radiation Tolerant Polypropylene)

Surgical (Nylon) Suture

Clinical Test Instruments;

A Laboratory Dish

Non-Woven Textile

## 2) Heat Resistance Improvement

Blood Bags

Plastic Tubes

(PVC -> Polyethylene=halogen-free and Heat Resistance)

## 3) Mechanical Property Improvement

Catheter

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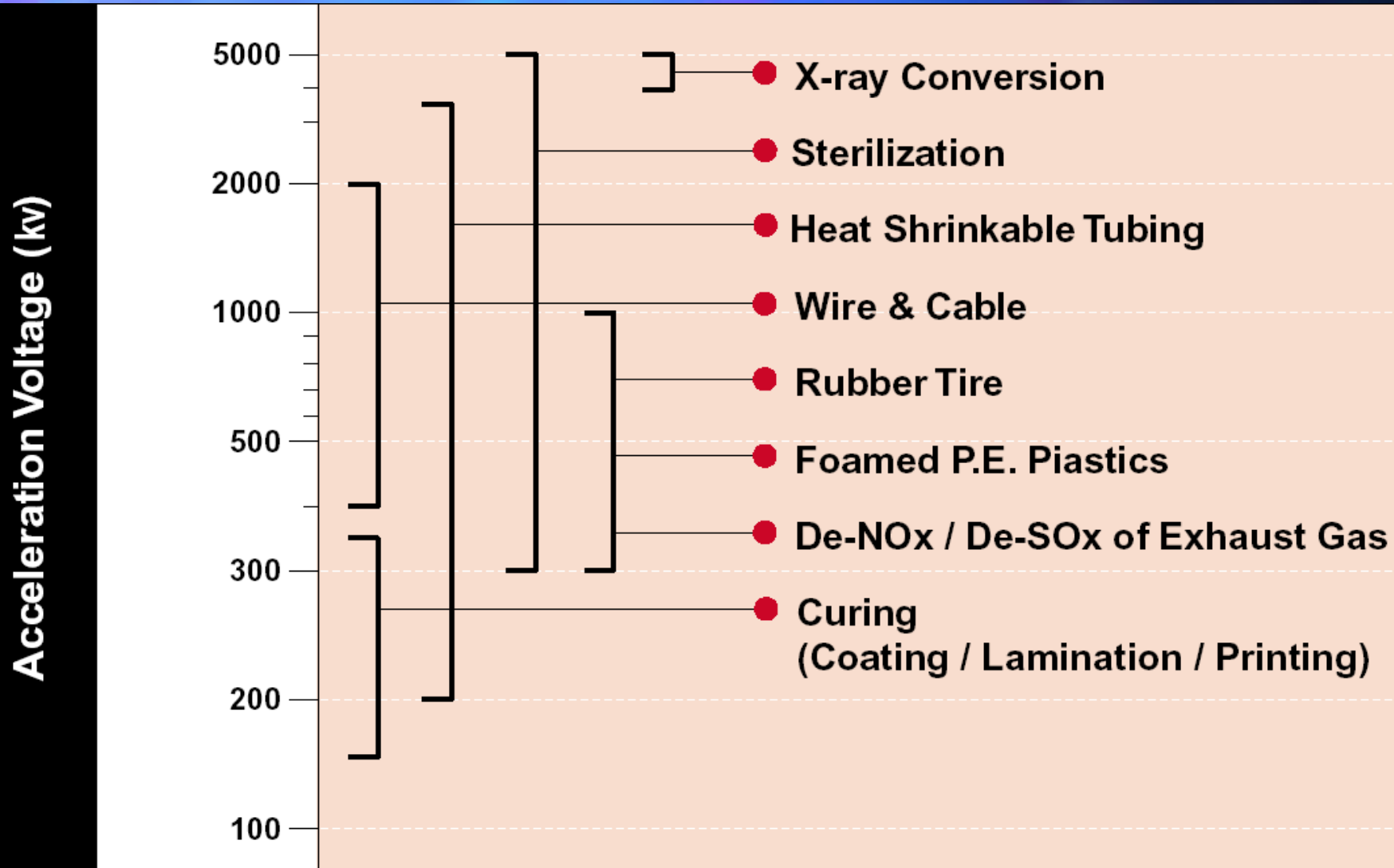
# *Feature of EPS*

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## EPS has the following feature

- EB gives its energy directly to the irradiated material
  - It is not necessary to mix third material such as catalyst for chemical reaction.
  - EPS has very large capacity for irradiation process.
  - Easy operation (Start/Stop)
  - Easy maintenance
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# Acceleration Voltage v.s. Application



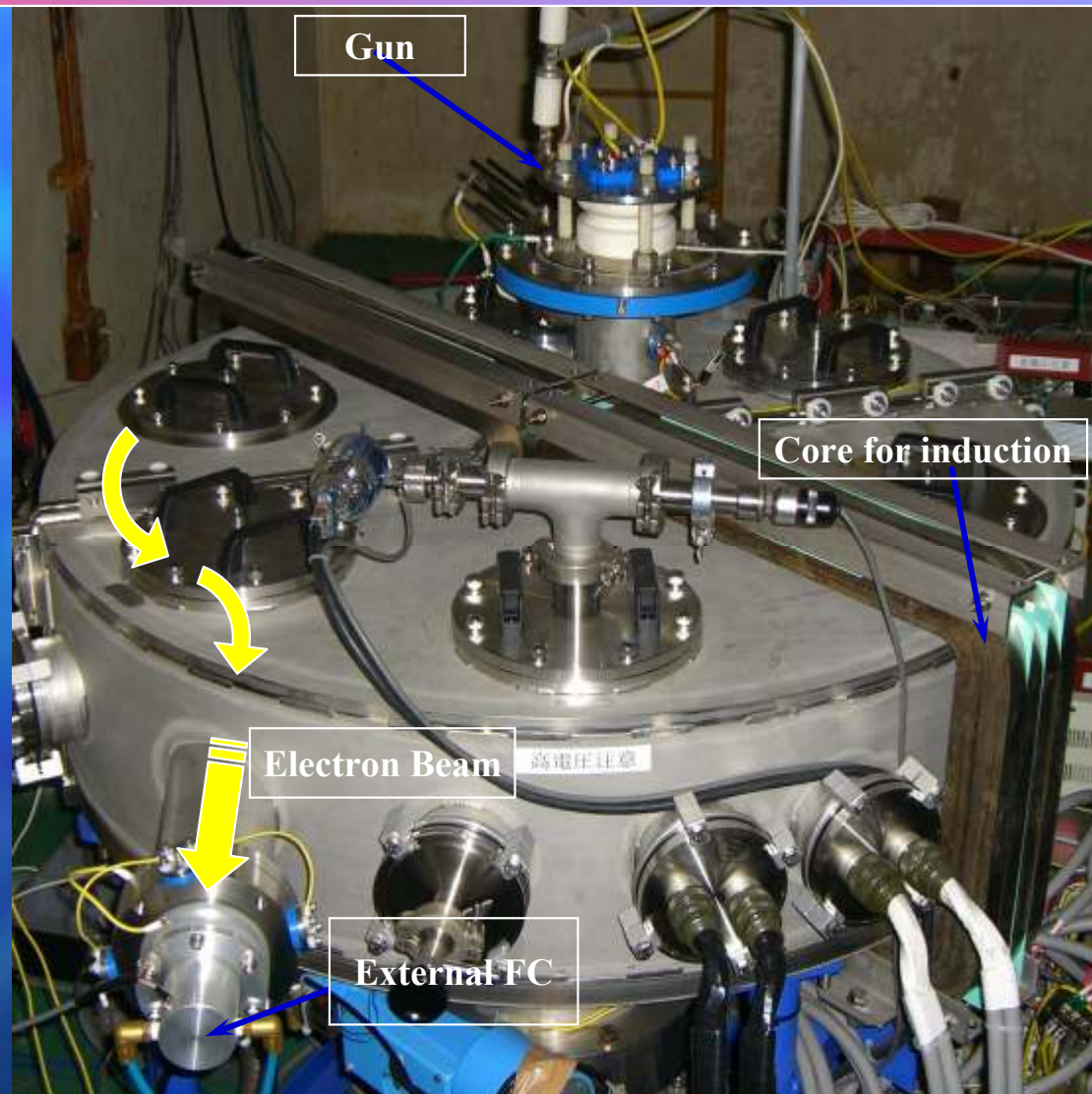
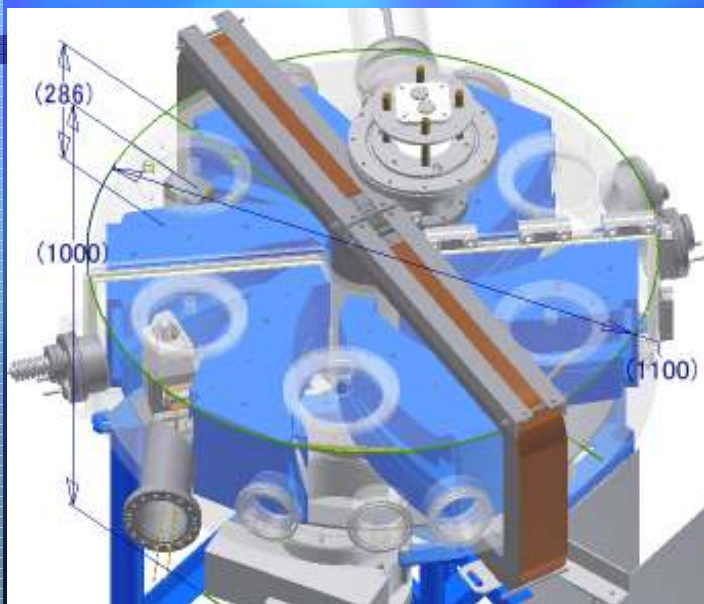
# *Electron Accelerators in the Industrial Fields*

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- High power, high reliability, compactness and low cost are key requirements.
- Accelerators available at this time
  - Electrostatic accelerator
    - Demerit: big size
  - Linear accelerator
    - Demerit: low power, low power efficiency
  - Re-circulating accelerator
    - Demerit: high cost

# 500keV Electron FFAG

Energy	250-500keV
Acceleration frequency	10kHz (Induction)
Beam Power	10kW
Outer diameter	1.1m



# Beam extracted from 500keV Electron FFAG

- Accelerator assembling is completed.
- Beam injection and acceleration are successful.
- 90% of the beam is extracted from FFAG ring.
- Extracted beam energy is measured as same as the specified energy.



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