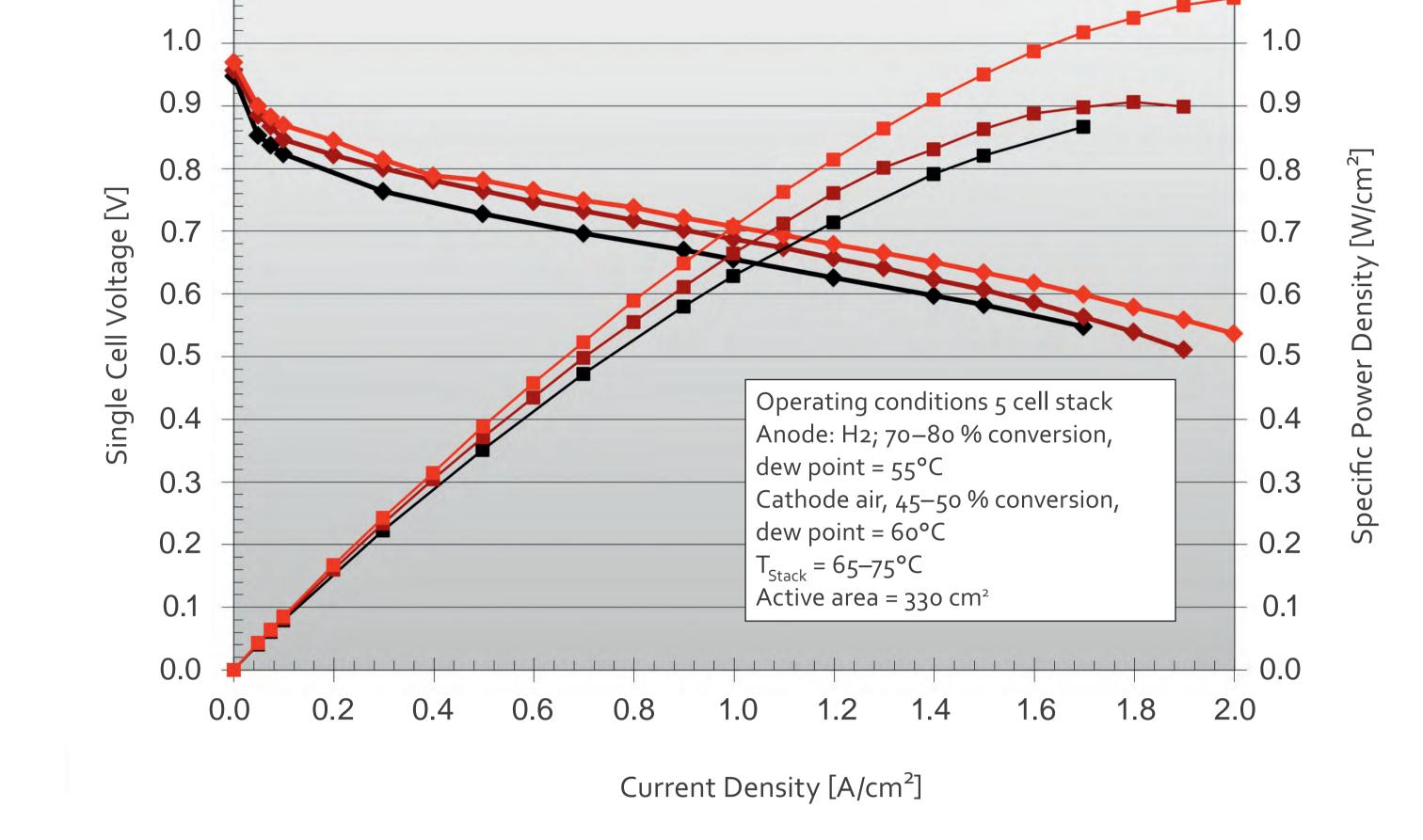
// Fuel Cell Characterization, Optimization & Technologies

Cell voltage at ambient pressure
 Cell voltage at 1 bar inlet pressure
 Cell voltage at 2 bar inlet pressure
 Cell specific power at ambient pressure
 Cell specific power at 1 bar inlet pressure
 Cell specific power at 2 bar inlet pressure

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// Automotive stack platform development

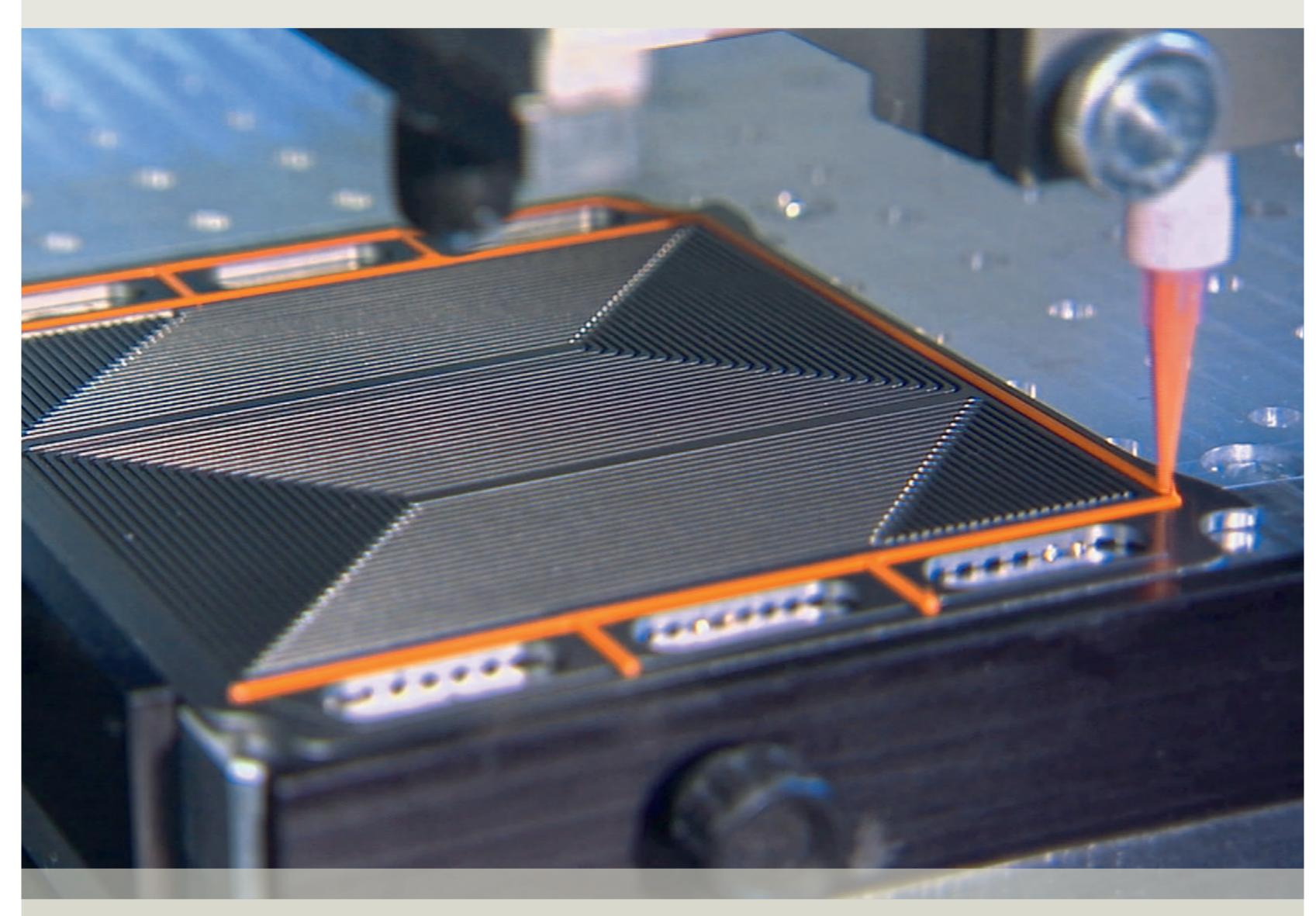


// X ray tomography (µ-CT)

// Characterizing and Optimizing Fuel Cells and Components

- Bipolar plates, flowfields, gas diffusion layers (GDLs), membrane electrode assemblies (MEAs)
- Set up and optimization of cell and stack designs
- CFD Modeling of cell design and flow field
- Simulation of water inventory (MC method)
- Characterization of hydrophobicity, surface energy and pore structure of components
- Investigation of ageing processes
- Characterization of mechanical, electrical and durability parameters

// Visualization of Water Distribution



// Sealing and adhesion technology

- Synchrotron tomography
 - Visualization during real operation
 - Analysis of 3D water distribution with up to 3 μm resolution
- Neutron radiography
 - Visualization of water removal in flowfield channels
 - Measurements of fuel cell stacks up to 400 cm² cell area

// Technologies and Manufacturing Techniques

- CAD design, SEM analysis, assembly and acceptance testing
- Power range from 50 W_{el} to 100 k W_{el}
- Sealing and adhesion technology
- Investigation of manufacturing techniques
- Robot based stack assembly
- Durability testing (continuous operation)

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• Experience with more than 700 Stacks

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