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Linking the Label Community

Fujifilm: leading the transformation from Analogue to Digital

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Challenges for our industry

- Sustainability
- Cost of energy
- Regulatory issues - demand for low migration/IDFC products
- Job sizes are going down - need for short runs

Let me show you solutions from FUJIFILM:


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Why waterwashable plates

Why to change the plate making system to water wash




Water washable Flexo plates

- Environmental and safety benefits of eliminating solvents
- Reduces the time for plate making
- Improves print quality (reduces swelling and dot gain)
- Reduces the total cost in-use of plates
- Ability to reduce or eliminate need for duplicate plates (stable)
- Not Oxygen sensitive (flat dots)


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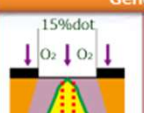
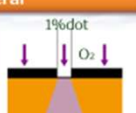
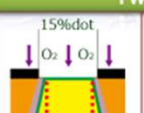
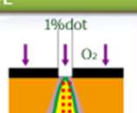
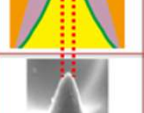
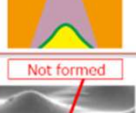
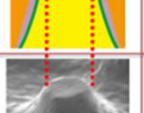
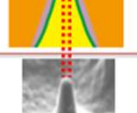

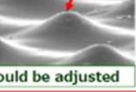

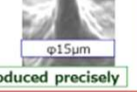


Flenex plates are not sensitive to Oxygen

2. High Quality



Mechanism of Flat-Top-Dot shape on plate

	General		FW-L	
O ₂ effect	↓ O ₂ ↓ O ₂	↓ O ₂	↓ O ₂ ↓ O ₂	↓ O ₂
Illustration of UV Exp.				
Cross link				
Dot shape				
175lpi 2,540dpi	φ15μm	Not formed	φ55μm	φ15μm
	Digital data should be adjusted		Digital data is reproduced precisely	

O₂ can't migrate to photosensitive layer due to Advanced Material.

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Sharp dots with high gradation

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Solvent plate (round-top-dot) Original image Flenex plate (flat-top-dot)

Poor gradation High gradation

Round-top-dot Flat-top-dot

Lower dot gain
Better ink transfer
Cleaner, brighter print results

Flat-top dot structure

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Flenex Plate portfolio

- FW-A
 - Analogue film exposure
- FW-L2
 - Standard digital UV resist plate
- FW-FP
 - Solvent resistant plate for Flexible Packaging applications
- FW-(A) (L) V
 - Varnish plate with thicker more rigid backing liner
- FW-L (2.54 and 2.84)
 - Corrugated and sack printing applications
 - Investigating viability of widespread launch.

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Flenex plates
Water washable plates

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High quality water washable
Flexo plates



Highest Flexo quality – reproduction of finest details
Class leading **productivity**
Mild **washout with water** and dishwasher soap
Much **more durable** and cost effective
Less **environmental** impact

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Plate processors: Clam shell / Semi automatic



Equipment for water washable Flexo plates

Washout with water and dishwasher soap

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Plate processor overview

C-Touch processors:

- For small inhouse plate production
- 25/30 & 30/40 processors for Flexo applications, 36/48 for varnishing applications (offset)


SB 938 processors:

- For inhouse plate production/ Repro houses
- Max. plate size 900 x 1200 (36/48)

Large Format processor

- Max. plate size (42/60) soon to come

**Equipment for
small to large
demands**



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PRC 1 filtration unit

To reduce waste water



**Waste water
filtration unit**

- Extends the bath life significantly – up to 5 times
- Filters 99% of all solid content
- Reduces the amount of waste water to be disposed significantly



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Why UV Flexo inks

- No additional solvents needs for printing
- Sustainable, no emissions
- Very good print quality due to very low dot gain

Ink portfolio of FUJIFILM:


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Portfolio overview Sericol Flexo inks

- JD Convectional UV
- JJ LED Inks
 - JJ will cure conventionally too
 - Formulated to match existing JD – ease of conversion
- JF (IDFC)
 - Conventional Indirect Food Packaging Compliant
 - Pre-launch phase



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- Strong colours
- Class Leading white inks
- Same colouristic as JJ & JF – Easy conversion for existing customers
- Press Ready Formula – suitable for open chamber systems
- Benzophenone and ITX Free formula
- Bespoke Pantone system




- Same Colouristics as JD – Easy conversion
- Tested on Activ and global branded LED UV Curing Systems
- Press Ready Formula – suitable for open chamber systems
- Extremely Fast Curing tested at 200m/min
- Bespoke Pantone System





LED vs. conventional UV Inks

- Why are different formulations required?
 - LED Inks are tuned to a specific wavelength generally 395 nm
- What are the benefits of LED inks versus Conventional
 - cure rate
 - adhesion
 - wider range of substrates can be converted
- What are the challenges with LED inks?
 - formulations tend to have a high Photoinitiator content
 - this inevitably leads to a slightly higher cost of ink formulation
- On press properties of the LED inks is equivalent to conventional UV inks



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JF UV Ink Range - Indirect food contact

Currently in pre-launch phase

- EuPIA terminology
 - Commonly referred to as Low migration
 - Competitors offer inks with varying levels of compliance
 - IDFC declaration does not guarantee convertor is compliant
 - Convertor must follow Best Manufacturing Practice
 - **All** manufacturers IDFC ink ranges declare convertor has full responsibility for compliance
- Same Colouristics as JD – Easy conversion
- Highest level of compliance
 - Formulated in line with EuPIA exclusion policy
 - Nestle list compliant
 - Swiss Ordinance compliant
- Bespoke Pantone System



Ready for printing
primary packaging

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Success story AZTEC LABEL

"We already had a strong working relationship with Fujifilm, having used their inks for some time, and the Flenex trial was an instant success, immediately remedying the problems we were facing."


Colin Le Gresley, Managing Director,
Aztec Label





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UV curing equipment: why LED versus Mercury

- Mercury Arc Lamps have a limited life expectancy, particularly in Europe (EU Directive – Mercury in the Workplace deadline 2027)
- LED systems have lower power consumption / operating costs
- No exhaust necessary due to no Ozone generation
- Strongly reduced Carbon Footprint
- Less heat generated suitable also for sensitive substrates

Lower energy consumption


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LED System - Environmental Impact


- Significant reduction in power consumption
- CO₂ emissions dramatically reduced
- Mercury use and disposal eliminated
- Reduction in waste label stock – greater stability
- Significant reduction in downtime
 - No power up/down.
 - Reduced maintenance
 - Longer lamp life – 1000 hrs vs 20.000+ hrs
- Improved working environment and H&S for operating staff
 - Noise reduction, no extractor fans required
 - Significant heat reduction
 - More comfortable for operators



Energy/cost saving calculator available on request


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Activ Hybrid UV LED Curing system

- At 42 W/cm this is one of the highest output LED systems on the market whilst maintaining low power consumption – allows system to run well below full output generally 50%
- Hybrid ‘hot swap’ Cassettes
 - can run both conventional UV and LED
 - can run dedicated LED
- Fully integrates into machine controls
- Language Options
- 2 years warranty – lamps



42 W/cm LED output

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Activ - Features


- Activ system can be easily installed as retro fit to existing press or on any new press
 - Retro fit will future-proof capital equipment
- The system is developed in conjunction with the LED inks to optimize performance
- Fujifilm is the only supplier to offer both inks and UV LED systems
 - one point of contact for support
 - optimizes new product development



LED system and inks
from one supplier

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Imprinting bars

Suitable for upgrading current machines

Integration on
existing machines

Need for printing
variable data

FUJIFILM imprinting system:

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- Digital inkjet printing is a flexible technology that can be integrated into a range of processes that may include
 - Offset or flexographic presses
 - Corrugators
 - Finishing lines - Sheeters, Folding & Gluing Machines,
 - Filling and Packing Lines
- Inkjet implementation can be print selected lanes or full width printing
 - Monochrome
 - Spot colors
 - Full process color
 - Embellishments



- Single pass inkjet imprinting system
- Each printbar contains a single 1.6" width printhead (40 mm)
- Up to 4 printbars per system
- 1200 DPI Native Resolution
- Speeds up to 1000 feet per minute
- Monochrome, Spot color or 4-Color
- Aqueous & UV





SAMBA mini 4300 system

System includes:

- Up to four Printbars
- Controller
- PC Interface
- Fluid system
- Encoder and trigger
- Optional mounts and accessories



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Jet press 750 / 750S

What sets the Jet Press 750S High Speed Model apart?



Need for fully digital machine printing sheets

Integrated unit for waterbased primer

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Food safe packaging ink




Waterbased inks

Low migration, aqueous food safe ink available for Jet Press 750S Standard Model Approved for primary food packaging


Complies with stringent primary food contact regulations, including Swiss Ordinance 817.023.21 and European Commission Regulation 1935/2004

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High speed digital printing



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Superb productivity

5,400 sheets/hour

The fastest 4 colour, B2 sheetfed inkjet digital press available

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Specifications of JP 750S

Jet Press 750S High Speed Model	
Printing	
Printheads	Next generation Samba printheads
Colours	4 colour, CMYK, extended gamut (High Quality mode)
Resolution	1,200 x 1,200 dpi (High Quality mode) or 1,200 x 600 dpi (High Performance mode), VersaDrop technology with 4 level grayscale
Productivity	Up to 3,600 B2 sheets per hour (High Quality mode) or 5,400 B2 sheets per hour (High Performance mode), static and variable jobs
Workflow	XMF Workflow V6.x or later, or a third party workflow with XMF Processor
Variable data capability	Yes, thanks to barcode system and high capacity data transfer
Substrate	
Maximum sheet size	750 mm x 585 mm
Printable area	733 mm x 567 mm
Thickness	0.09 mm - 0.34 mm When configured for heavier, folding carton stocks: 0.2 mm - 0.6 mm
Type	Standard offset coated and uncoated paper Canvas Heavier duty folding carton board Some plastics

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Fully digital solutions – printing web to web

Need for fully digital machine printing web to web


Waterbased inks

Soon to come

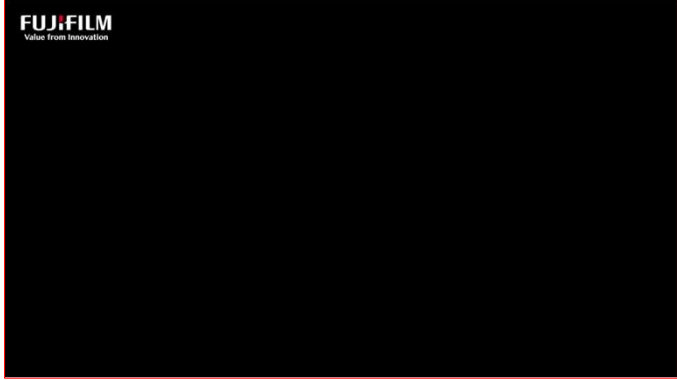
FUJIFILM JetPress FP 790:

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Video of FP 790



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Fujifilm portfolio for Labels and Packaging

- Flenex plates / processors / filtration unit
- Sericol/Fujifilm UV Flexo inks
- Activ LED curing system
- Fujifilm Imprinting bars
- Digital Printing with the JP 750(S)
- The future: FP 790 Digital Press

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