

# **JUNGHANS 40mm MIRA/SPICA**

## **Next Generation 40mm Infantry Grenade (IG) Fuzes**



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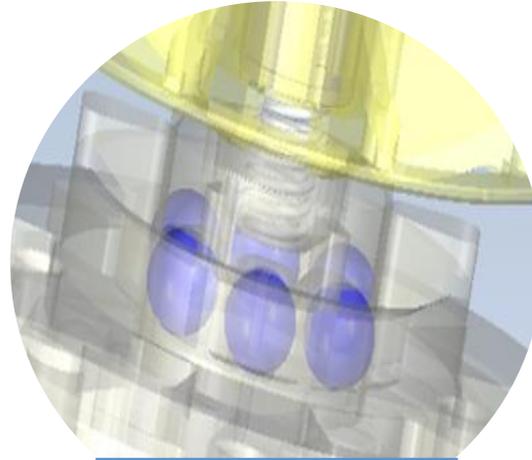
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# Typical problems with 40mm IG Fuzes



**Modularity & Versatility**



**Self Destruct**



**Temperature Range**



**Integration**



**Sensitivity**

## Safety

- Partial arming in environment
- Missing reliable self destruct
- (dangerous) duds
- jamming mechanical Self Destruct; stored energy!

## Functional Reliability

- Problem with mechanical initiation on wide range of targets
- Lack in graze angle sensitivity

## Terminal Effect

- Comparably low reaction speed (esp. relevant on Dual Purpose (DP) rounds)

## Airburst

- Need for weapon integration
- High energy demand (problems in temp. range due to batteries)
- Impact of environment (heat, dust,...)

## Cost vs. Function

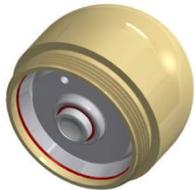
- Missing optimization for mass production
- Low modularity

**MIRA is (together with its Medium Velocity (MV) variant SPICA) a program initiated by JUNGHANS, established to develop a cost efficient, reliable and innovative Fuze Family with high modularity for 40mm IG ammunition.**

**The different Fuzes are:**



- Spin-decay Self Destruct **MIRA SSD**: The base variant, featuring a low cost Fuze with a mechanical Self Destruct, optimized for extremely low probability of jamming.

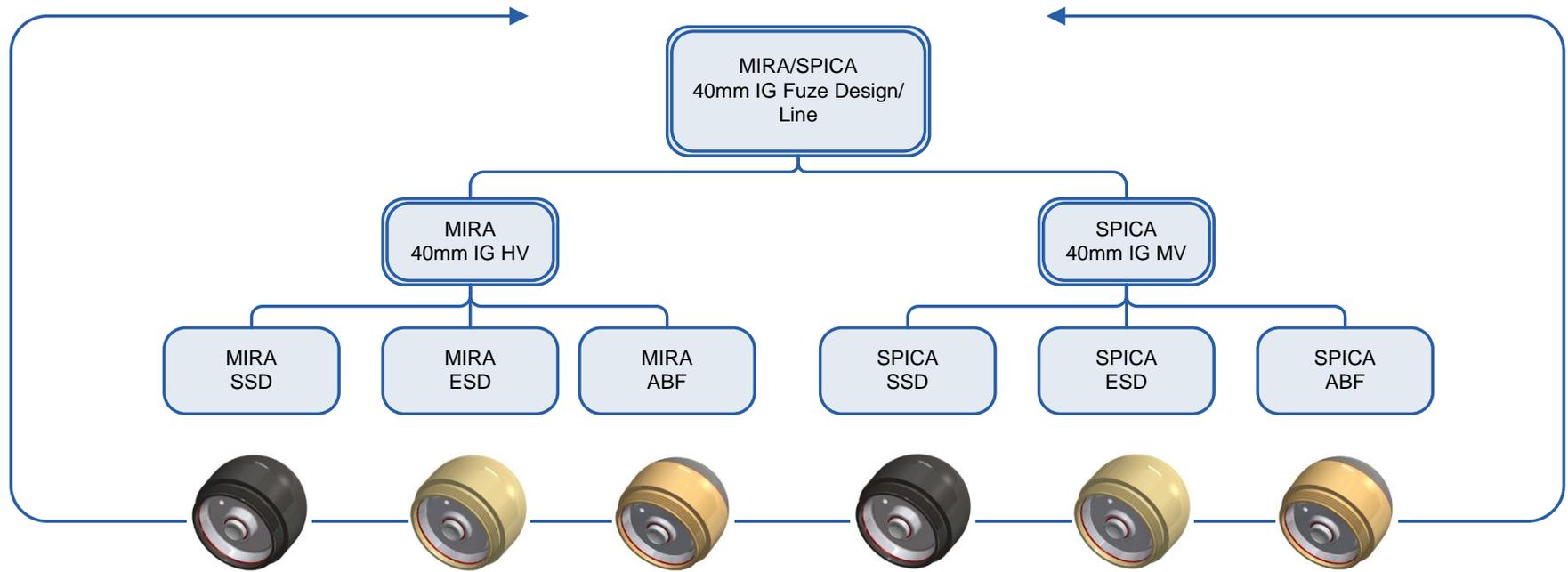


- Electronic Self Destruct **MIRA ESD**: This Fuze features a superior electronic Self Destruct with a factory-settable delay of up to 33 seconds as well as an extremely fast and sensitive Point Detonating (PD) function. For this the Fuze has redundant electronic impact sensors.



- Air Burst Function **MIRA ABF**: This Fuze offers, additionally to the ESD, a programmable Airburst function, settable from 0,1s up to 20s in 1mS time increments. It has the completely new developed XMI (eXtended Magnetic Induction) programming technology implemented.

# MIRA and SPICA 40mm IG Fuze Family



Use in 40mm Automatic Grenade Launcher



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- Complete new Fuze line in final phase of qualification, all Fuzes for both High Velocity and Medium (120m/s) Velocity\*

- Fuze types (modular)



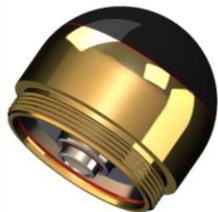
- **SSD (Spin Decay mechanical Self Destruct)**

- Low price offer
- High quality and reliability self destruct



- **ESD (Electronic Self Destruct)**

- Time based electronic self destruct (delay standard 20s, can be adjusted to customer demand)
- Additional electronic impact sensing (multi-directional sensor) => dramatically increased angle sensitivity



- **ABF (programmable AirBurst Function)**

- 3rd Gen XMI (eXtended Magnetic Induction) programming
- High weapon and Fire Control Unit (FCU) independence with low energy demand (no reserve battery needed)
  - High tactical versatility, non-intrusive for weapon system
  - Full temperature independence (full function across temperature range)

- **Market availability 2017 (phased approach)**

\*Low Velocity (LV) modification available for ESD and ABF

## High Reliability: Less than 1% possible duds

- Higher for ESD and ABF

## Innovative Design: Optimised for high volume production

- modularity

## Robust Design: Survives highest environmental stress (vibration profiles)

- Lightweight moving parts

## Low Cost

- Cast parts
- Easy assembly

## Modularity and Scalability with electronic supplements:

- Electronic Self Destruct with maximum precision
- Electronic impact sensors in order to counter basic problems of mechanical Fuzes for 40mm IG (graze angle sensitivity)
- Programmable Airburst of the latest generation

## Compliance with all mandatory specifications

- Safety: 12m drop, jolt, jumble, detonator safety, progressive arming, muzzle safety distance, all armed distance
- Helicopter and Fixed Wing vibration, logistical vehicle vibration, 28 days temperature/humidity, temperature shock, salt spray, water tightness, 1.5m drop and loose cargo

## No mal-assembly; impossible to assemble in armed position

## Reliable PD system

- initiates on 2mm aluminium, 12.5mm cardboard, natural ground at 300m and 3mm steel at 60° NATO

## Spin Decay System

- activates at a spin of 6,000 rpm nominal; therefore reaching all ranges up to 2.200m (and above) is assured
- optimized to prevent jamming on impact on problematic targets (like rocks) in specified angles

## Complies with STANAG 4403, Fuze mass 63g

## Functional temperature: -46°C to +71°C

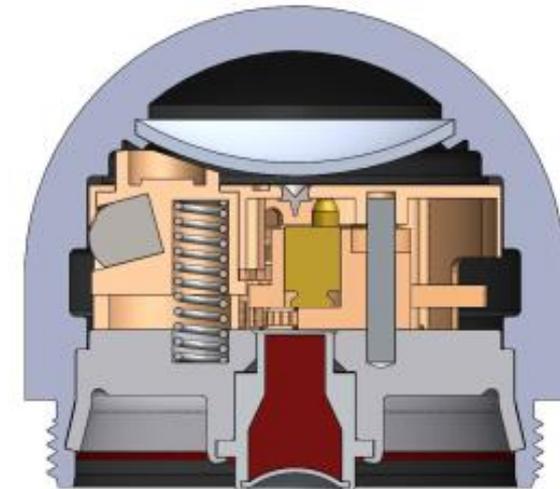
## Shelf Life: 10 years minimum

## Less than 1% possible duds

## PD function on specified targets: Better than 95%

## PD and SD combined: Better than 99%

## Modularity & Versatility Self Destruct



Same as MIRA SSD with the following additions:

Highly precise electronic system for Self Destruct: Factory Setting for SD delay (20s); up to  $33s \pm 0.1s$

Ultrafast Dual Mode Impact Sensor

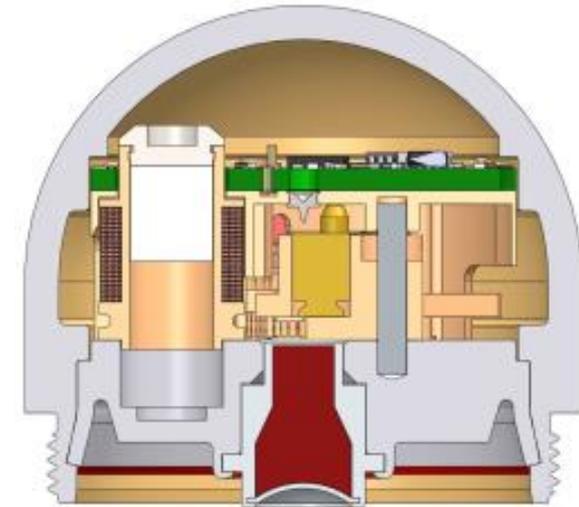
- electronic PD Sensor for superior PD function in extreme graze angles
- Angle sensitivity up to  $80^\circ$  NATO (3mm and also thicker and harder steel)

The mechanical PD as in MIRA SSD is still implemented (mechanical PD Backup)

Energy provision is fully done with a Setback Generator (possible through energy efficient electronics)

- Wide temperature independence ( $-46^\circ\text{C}$  -  $+71^\circ\text{C}$ )

Modularity & Versatility  
Sensitivity  
Temperature Range



Same as MIRA SSD and ESD with the following additions:

## Superior XMI Airburst programmability

- Extended Magnetic Induction (out of barrel, weapon independent and virtually unjammable while non-reactive to environmental interference)
- No need for setter directional adjustment (benefit for remote weapon station)

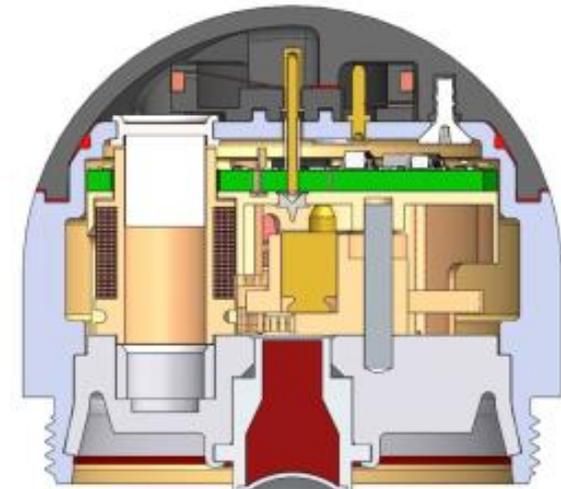
Time of Airburst programmable from 200ms up to 20s in increments of 1ms

Time precision  $\pm 4\text{ms}$  or  $\pm 0.25\%$  of the set time (depending on which is the bigger value)

Programming with the XMI Setter, compatible with all major FCUs (and usable in a standalone setup for MV)

Full temperature range for Airburst ( $-46^{\circ}\text{C}$  -  $+71^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

**Modularity & Versatility**  
**Sensitivity**  
**Temperature Range**  
**Integration**



**40mm SPICA is the MV variant of MIRA:**

**Function in MV (120m/s)**

**The entire base is identical, just some minimal diversion for single parts**

- Rotor Masses (all)
- “Slug” in SD-Mechanism (SSD)

**The Setback Generator is identical**

**The Fuze electronics are identical**

**Therefore: Maximum modularity and highest transparency for the user**

**An LV variant of ESD and ABF is available; Proof of Concept (live firings) conducted in late 2015 (USA)**

- All 6 base designs have been developed in parallel
- End of development (currently beginning of qualification phase) in February 2017
- Company qualification will be passed by Q2 and Q4 of 2017
- MIRA/SPICA is fully available in qualified design Q4 2017



# 40mm Airburst from H&K GMG



- Serialization Q2-4 2017
- Market availability Q4 2017
- Parallel:
  - Coordination of integration in FCUs
    - Different systems
    - First live demonstration of full integration in February 2017
- Programmers for development and demonstration are fully available
- Serial programmer for FCU available in Q2 2017

**Future:**  
> Corrected Airburst  
> 40 mm Prox



# Thank you for your attention.

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