

# Parlex Flat Flexible Cables



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# Mega Trends our Customers are Facing

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- ▶ Increased need for EMI/RFI protection as equipment becomes more complex with more integrated electronics and sensors
- ▶ Electronic PCB interconnects are getting smaller and smaller and PCB space is at a premium
  - ▶ Smaller space required to have board to board communication
  - ▶ 0.5mm pitch is becoming industry standard (smaller coming)
  - ▶ Miniaturization – more complexity, more value
- ▶ Long life expectancy for medical and industrial equipment

# Human and Business Values Served by Parlex FFC

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- ▶ Human Values
  - ▶ Consistent and reliable performance
  - ▶ Ease-of-Use
  - ▶ High reliability
  - ▶ Smaller lighter package sizes
- ▶ Business Values
  - ▶ Reduced time to market
  - ▶ Custom problem solving provided where customer engineering resource is unable to do entire system design

# Why use Parlex Flat Flexible Cable Products?

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- ▶ Safe Choice
  - ▶ Reliable method to interconnect 2 PCB's
  - ▶ RoHS, REACH compliant and UL rated
- ▶ Prototyping is easy
  - ▶ Dedicated Sales Applications Engineer support to assist with design goals
  - ▶ Custom samples often in < 2 weeks
- ▶ Fast time to Production
  - ▶ Lead time from concept to production can be < 1 month

# Applications & Markets

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- ▶ Military
  - ▶ Hybrid technology – FFC, PCB, FPC, Connectors, etc....
    - Space savings and weight reductions
    - Parlex shielding
- ▶ Medical
  - ▶ Robotic dispensing applications
    - Light weight, space savings Parlex shielding especially for longer length FFC
    - Jumpers with FFC (High flex life)
- ▶ Hand Held Market – POS
  - ▶ Electronic designs where space is limited
    - Fine pitch custom ZIF FFC
      - Quick turn on samples and low cost in production
- ▶ Custom Display – LCD
  - ▶ Provide extension cables when needed to extend tails

# Parlex FFC Products - Advantages

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## Technology Leadership

- ▶ State of the art manufacturing
- ▶ Unique shielding technology for EMI/RFI
- ▶ Complete interconnect options excludes no opportunities
- ▶ Lightweight and compact
- ▶ High Reliability

## The Safe Choice

- ▶ Industry leadership in FFC technology
- ▶ Proven support from concept to production
- ▶ Quick response and exceptional lead times

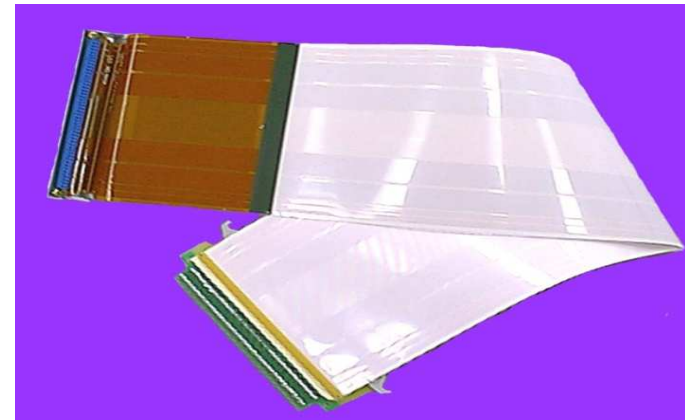
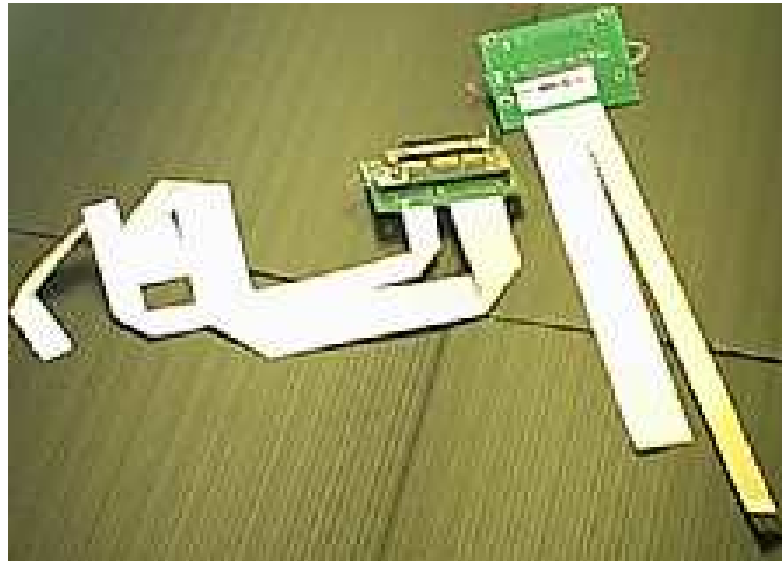
# FFC Technology Leadership Options

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- ▶ Custom design solutions
  - ▶ Shielded – even with long length cables
  - ▶ Coved
  - ▶ ZIF
    - ▶ ALC ® – ZIF FFC “upgrade”/replacement (SMT)
  - ▶ Extremely long Jumpers to > 2 meters
  - ▶ PCB to FFC
  - ▶ FPC to FFC
  - ▶ PALStrip® – Tyco “Flexstrip” equivalent
  - ▶ Display – used on Sharp, NEC etc
  - ▶ Uflex ® – ZIF FFC “upgrade”/replacement (Thole)

# Custom FFC examples

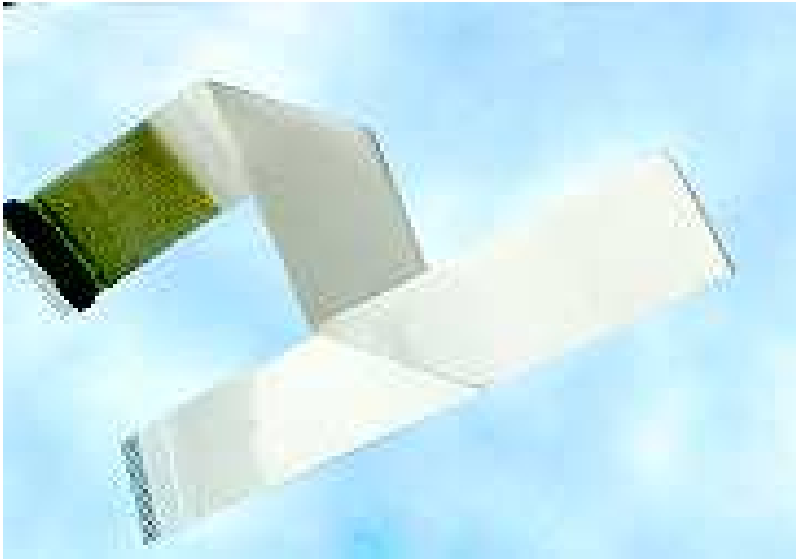
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# FFC with EMI Flex (Shielding)

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- ▶ Silver ink formula with conformal coating to prevent scratching
- ▶ Ultra thin, highly flexible shield vs foil
- ▶ EMI/RFI requirements
- ▶ Cable lengths can be greater than 2 meters

# FFC with EMI Flex (Shielding)



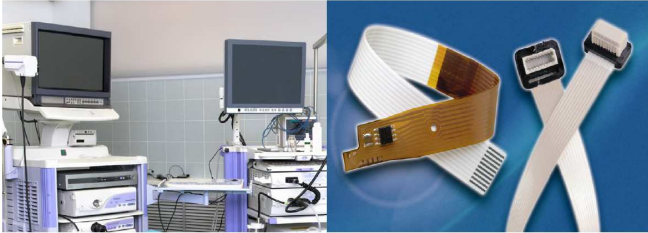
**JOHNSON ELECTRIC**

**"Technology Leadership"**


- EMI attenuation
- Flexible and conformable
- Lightweight and compact
- Conductive coating technology

**"The Safe Choice"**

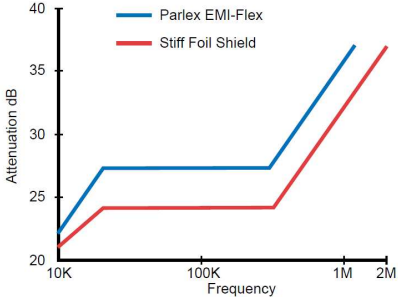
- 360° shielding
- Reliable & durable
- Flex circuit industry leader
- Medical & Defense supplier



**Parlex EMI-Flex™ Shielded Flexible Circuits**



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Frequency	Parlex EMI-Flex (dB)	Stiff Foil Shield (dB)
10K	22	21
100K	27	24
1M	37	32
2M	38	33

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# Cambered / Coved FFC

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- ▶ Cambered shape prevents drooping during cycling or need for channel
- ▶ Eliminates need for secondary support such as a channel
- ▶ Ideal for high flex life applications
- ▶ Multiple conductor options - unlimited conductor count

# Coved FFC



## "Technology Leadership"

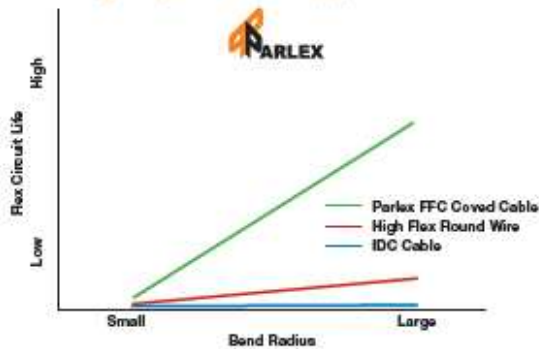
- Coved flex circuits for small spaces
- Cambered construction prevents drooping
- Ideal for long life cycling
- Multiple conductor options

## "The Safe Choice"

- No secondary mechanical supports needed
- Maximum service life and reliability
- Long life for robotics, pick & place applications
- UL Approved/Rated



## Flexible Coved Circuits for High Cycle Rate Applications



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# Zero Insertion Force (ZIF)

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- ▶ PET -55°C to 105°C; White (FR), black, and clear
- ▶ Polyimide -55°C to 125°C
- ▶ Pitches available 0.5, 0.8, 1.0, 1.25, 1.27, 2.54mm – any custom spacing



# Zero Insertion Force (ZIF)

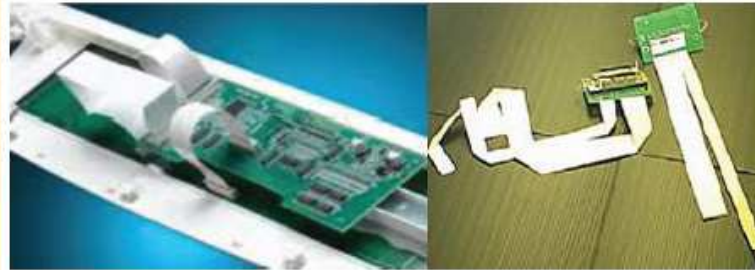


## "Technology Leadership"

- Flat, flexible ZIF cables
- Industry-standard mating connectors
- Gold plated options for optimal performance
- Shielding for EMI/RFI protection

## "The Safe Choice"

- Reliable connection method for multiple PCBs
- Proven medical and industrial expertise
- RoHS, REACH and UL approved
- Rapid prototyping



## Parlex Flexible Interconnects with Zero Insertion Force Connectors



Multiple spacing, conductor count and locking options



Folding, bending and creasing options



Ease of assembly



Blue foil for high frequency EMI/RFI protection

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# Long FFC with EMI Shielding

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- ▶ Shielded FFC to any length
- ▶ Competitors are limited by length using foil shielding
- ▶ Millions of cycles with minimum bend radius

# Long FFC with EMI Shielding



## "Technology Leadership"

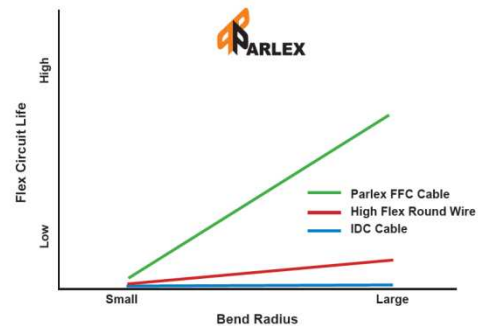
- Flat, flexible cables (FFC) — board-to-board connectors
- Lengths of 3 meters/10 feet or greater
- Many connector options — latch, plain or detent
- EMI/RFI shielding regardless of FFC length

## "The Safe Choice"

- Reliable connection for dynamic flex applications
- Millions of flex cycles with minimum bend radius
- Multiple configurations for custom design needs
- REACH, RoHS and UL approvals



## Long Life FFC Jumpers for Dynamic Flex Applications



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# Jumper FFC Female Receptacle Housings

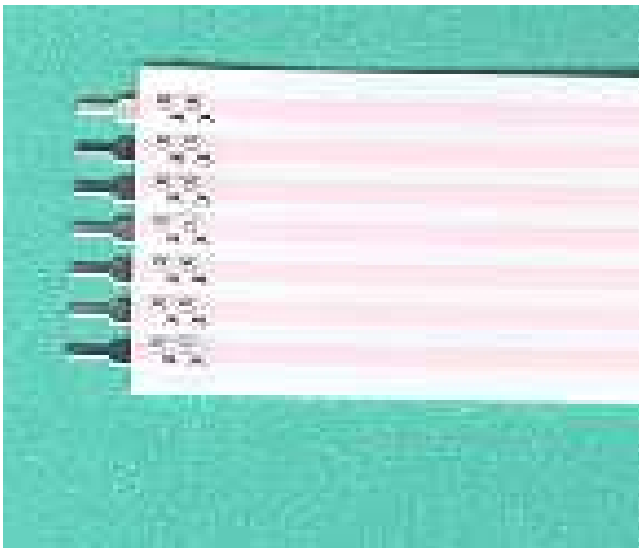
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- ▶ Crimped onto the end of the laminated FFC
- ▶ Black plastic female housing snapped in place
- ▶ Mated to a wide variety of pin headers
- ▶ Available in slim line, dual row and locking
- ▶ Available in Tyco, Molex & FCI Berg

# Jumper FFC Male Solder Tabs

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- ▶ 2.54 mm (.100") or 1.27 mm (.050") conductor pitch
- ▶ Crimp through insulation
- ▶ Through hole applications
- ▶ Straight, right angled or stagger formed

# Stamped FFC

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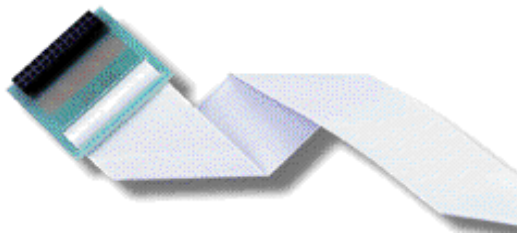


- ▶ Permanent Ink – (Limited chemical resistance)
- ▶ Up to 3 lines of text
- ▶ Individual stamping
- ▶ Bulk Stamping
- ▶ Polarity stripe

## Folded FFC

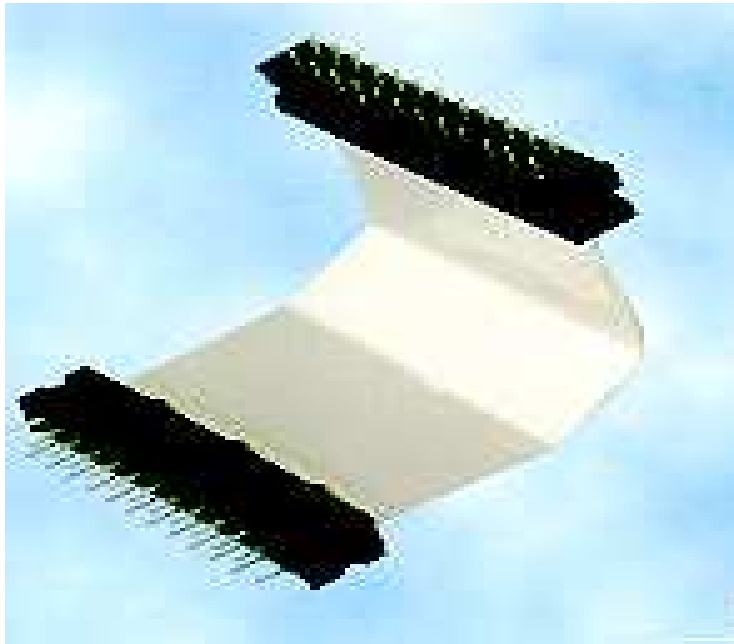
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- ▶ FFC can be folded into any configuration where space constraints are a limiting design factor
- ▶ Folds can be created to limit stress induced by standard folding methods (if the FFC is not creased prior to folding the conductors could develop micro-cracks causing intermittent opens)
- ▶ We can supply FFC pre-creased to the customer and they can fold at assembly
- ▶ Any fold on 0.030" radius or greater is possible



# U-Flex FFC

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- ▶ Eliminates connectors providing increased reliability
- ▶ Internal wire conductors formed into U shaped pin
- ▶ Injection molded to create a header
- ▶ Through hole applications

# FFC Lap Solder ends (ALC)

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Auto Line (ALC)

- ▶ Wire conductors exposed on both sides for hot bar soldering
- ▶ Multiple pitch patterns available
- ▶ Pre-assembled strain relief strip with push pins for easy mounting & accurate registration

# FFC Round to Flat PALStrip®

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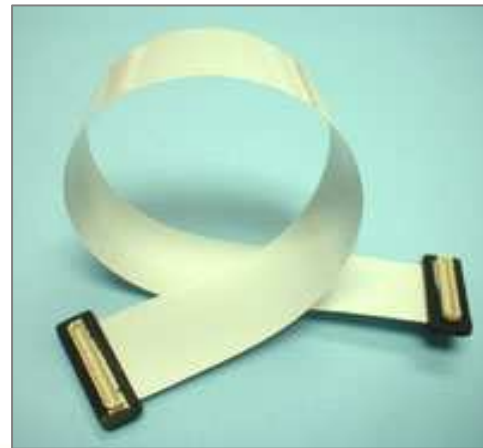


- ▶ FFC designed with round pin end to facilitate insertion in the board – PTH applications
- ▶ Meets UL and CSA requirement
- ▶ Straight, right angle, staggered, and Z-bend options available
- ▶ 2 - 40 pin

# FFC Hirose “DF9” Assemblies Display

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- ▶ Connector soldered and molded to 0.5mm pitch FFC
- ▶ Used with LCD displays such as Sharp & NEC
- ▶ Molds are available in 31, 41 & 51 position connectors
- ▶ Provides a low profile and durable interconnection method





# Parlex FFC

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## Applications/Markets

# Markets/Product Examples

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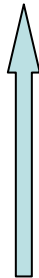


## Chemistry Systems

- ▶ Custom Assembly to > 1 meter in length
- ▶ Jumper FFC with Custom Double sided Shielding
- ▶ Non Foil Shielding adds more flexibility
- ▶ Long Flex life
- ▶ > 1M million life cycles

# Markets/Product Examples

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## Security Dome Camera

- ▶ Custom engineered Hybrid Board to board connector and FFC with no EMI/RFI
- ▶ Shielded and folded
- ▶ PEMACS silver ink
- ▶ Total shielding yet flexible solution

# Markets/Product Examples

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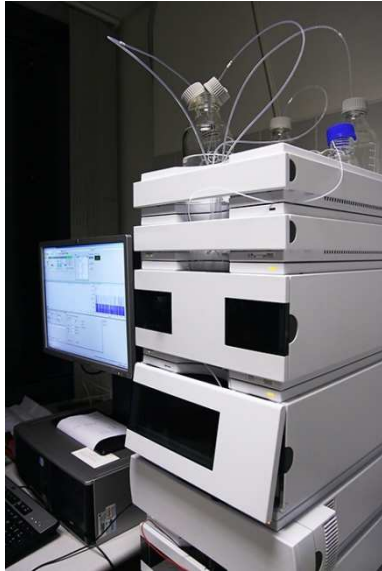


## Automated Defibrillator

- ▶ More dependable solution in critical application - with ease of assembly
- ▶ Custom Design ZIF/Shielded Uflex
- ▶ Display FFC
- ▶ Double sided shielding (not foil) for more flexibility
- ▶ 100% reliability of connection

# Markets/Product Examples

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## Chromatography

- ▶ Custom Engineered Jumper Assembly
- ▶ Crimped Connectors
- ▶ Formed Coil FFC
- ▶ Tens of thousands of cycle life
- ▶ Economy of space



# Markets/Product Examples

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## Medical Cell Sorter

- ▶ PCB Interconnect that would withstand many flex cycles
- ▶ Extended length Jumper FFC
- ▶ Mechanical connector assemblies
- ▶ Custom design for optimal flex life with strain relief
- ▶ > 1 Million cycle life without failure

# Markets/Product Examples

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## Blood Analyzers

- ▶ Custom designed solution with optimal flex guidelines
- ▶ PCB Interconnect that would withstand many flex cycles
- ▶ Extended length Jumper FFC
- ▶ Mechanical connector assemblies
- ▶ > 1 Million life cycles



# Markets/Product Examples

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## Clinical Chemistry equipment

- ▶ PCB custom shielded FFC assemblies
- ▶ PCB Interconnect to withstand many flex cycles
- ▶ EMI/RFI protection
- ▶ Double sided shielding (not foil) for more flexibility
- ▶ Grounding to specified conductors
- ▶ > 1 Million life cycles with customized connector options



# Markets/Product Examples

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## Blood Analyzer

- ▶ Custom designed PCB Interconnect that would withstand many flex cycles
- ▶ Guidelines for optimal flex life
- ▶ EMI/RFI protection PCB shielded FFC
- ▶ Custom shielded FFC assemblies (16 per system)
- ▶ ZIF FFC technology
- ▶ Double sided shielding (not foil) for more flexibility

# Markets/Product Examples

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## Portable Medical Analyzers

- ▶ PCB Interconnect that would withstand many flex cycles
- ▶ Extended length Jumper FFC
- ▶ Custom designed FFC > 0.5 meters
- ▶ > 1 Million life cycles
- ▶ Double sided shielding (not foil) for more flexibility
- ▶ Grounded to outer conductors for isolation
- ▶ Optimal flex guidelines for maximum life
- ▶ Custom assembly with AMP/Tyco double row mechanical connector

# Markets/Product Examples

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## Oncology Treatment Equipment

- ▶ Extended length FFC with no EMI/RFI interference
- ▶ Custom Mechanical shielded connector assemblies
- ▶ FFC > 1.5 Meters in length
- ▶ Blue foil shielding for stringent shielding needs
- ▶ Optimal flex guidelines provides millions of life cycles for reliable, long life connections