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## Camtek Ltd. vows to oppose \$6.8 million patent infringement award

MIGDAL HA'EMEK, Israel—Camtek Ltd., a maker of automated optical inspection systems, says it will fight a \$6.8 million jury award to Rudolph Technologies for alleged patent infringement. The award was given by a jury in U.S. Federal District Court in Minneapolis, Minn.

Camtek says it intends to pursue post-trial motions to overturn or modify the jury's verdict and to oppose or limit the effect of any future injunctive relief.

If unsuccessful at the court level, Camtek says, it will appeal any adverse judgment.

“Although we are disappointed by the jury's verdict in this case, we continue to believe that our Falcon products do not infringe on Rudolph's patent and that the patent itself is invalid”, said Rafi Amit, Camtek's CEO.

“We expect to continue to aggressively defend Camtek's rights and believe that we will be successful in overcoming this unjust verdict.”

At issue are Camtek's Falcon inspection systems and Rudolph's U.S. Patent 6,826,298 for an “Automated wafer defect inspection system and a process of performing such inspection which covers continuous inspection of wafers using strobing illumination.” The technology is used in August and Rudolph inspection tools.



*A jury says technology used in Camtek's Falcon inspection system infringes on intellectual property owned by Rudolph Technologies.*

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