

# XRISM



The X-Ray Imaging and Spectroscopy Mission (XRISM, pronounced "crism"), formerly the X-ray Astronomy Recovery Mission (XARM), is an X-ray space telescope mission of the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) in partnership with NASA to provide breakthroughs in the study of structure formation of the universe, outflows from galaxy nuclei, and dark matter. As the only international X-ray observatory project of its period, XRISM will function as a next generation space telescope in the X-ray astronomy field.

The mission is a stopgap for avoiding a potential observation period gap between X-ray telescopes of the present (Chandra, XMM-Newton) and those of the future (Advanced Telescope for High Energy Astrophysics (ATHENA)). Without XRISM, a blank period in X-ray astronomy may arise in the early 2020s due to the loss of Hitomi. During its formulation, XRISM/XARM was also known as the "ASTRO-H Successor" or "ASTRO-H2".

XRISM is expected to recover the science that was lost with Hitomi, such as the structure formation of the universe, feedback from galaxies/active galaxy nuclei, and the history of material circulation from stars to galaxy clusters. The space telescope will also serve as a technology demonstrator for the European Advanced Telescope for High Energy Astrophysics (ATHENA) telescope.

## History

Following the premature termination of the Hitomi mission, on 14 June 2016 JAXA announced their proposal to rebuild the satellite. The XARM pre-project preparation team was formed in October 2016. In the U.S. side, formulation began in the summer of 2017. In June 2017, ESA announced that they will participate in XRISM as a mission of opportunity.

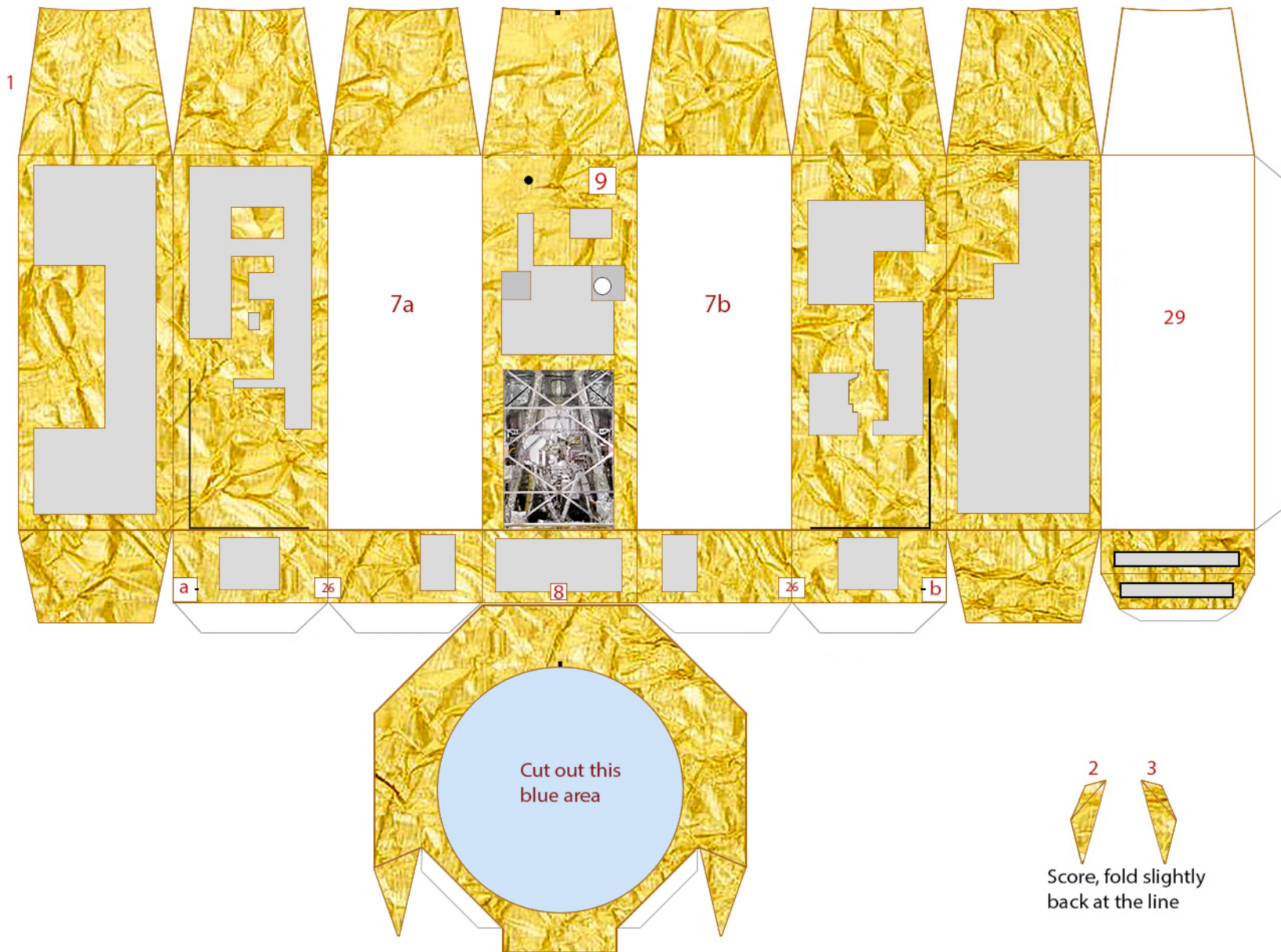
## Instruments

XRISM will carry two instruments for studying the soft X-ray energy range, Resolve and Xtend. The satellite will have telescopes for each of the instruments, SXT-I (Soft X-ray Telescope for Imager) and SXT-S (Soft X-ray Telescope for Spectrometer). The pair of telescopes will have a focal length of 5.6 m (18 ft).

JAXA launched XRISM on 6 September 2023 at 23:42 UTC (7 September 08:42 Japan Standard Time) using an H-IIA rocket from Tanegashima Space Center. XRISM was successfully inserted into orbit on the same day, and the accompanying launch payload, SLIM, began its multi-month journey to the Moon.



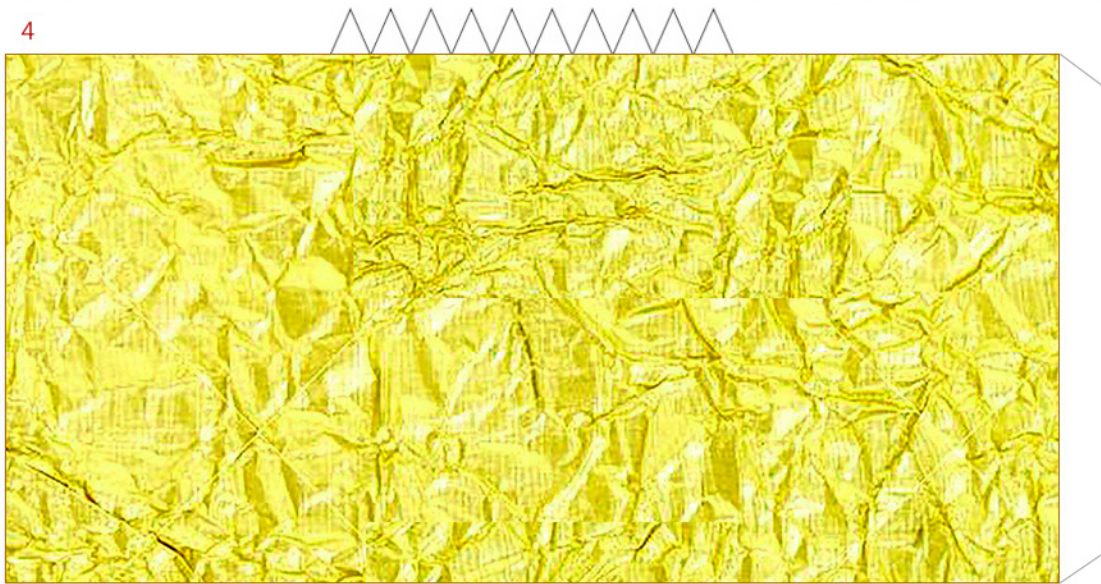
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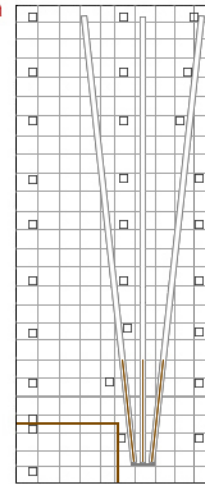


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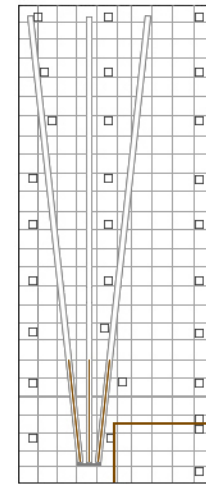


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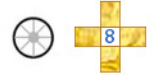


Glue to two layers of cardstock,  
color edges Gold

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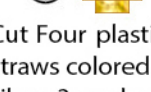
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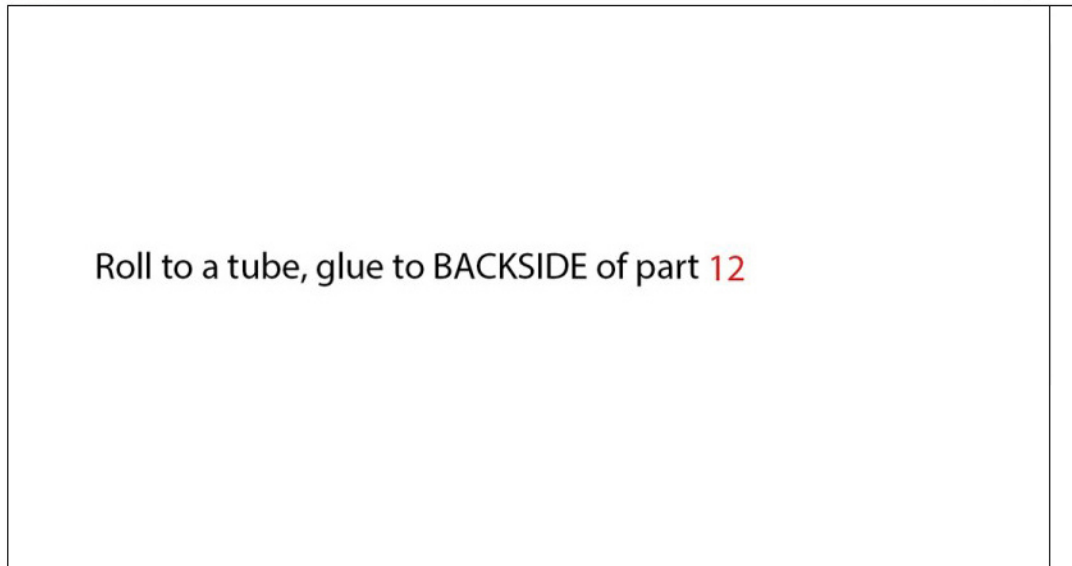
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Cut Four plastic broom  
straws colored light grey or  
silver, 3mm long.



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Roll to a tube, glue to BACKSIDE of part 12

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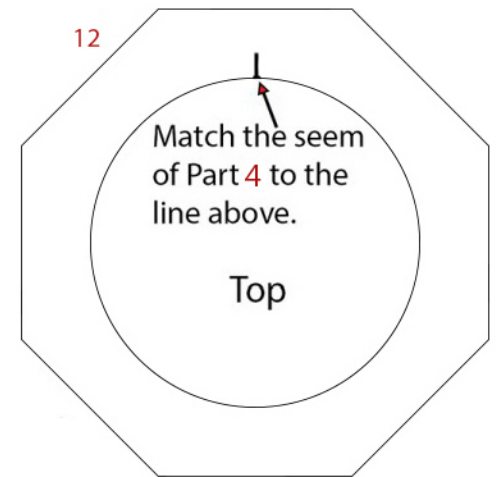


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Fold, glue  
back-to-back

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Match the seem  
of Part 4 to the  
line above.

Top

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Fold, glue back-to-back

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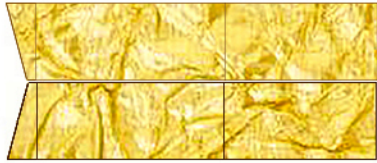


Color backside light grey or silver, roll to a ring

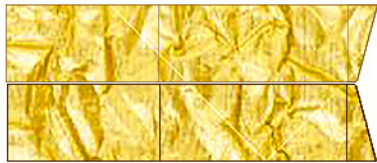


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Fold, glue each back-to-back. Side with the BLACK outlines is the INSIDE area.



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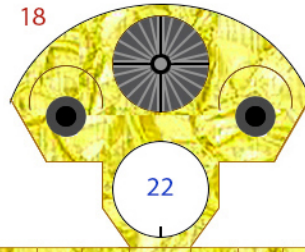


Color back Black

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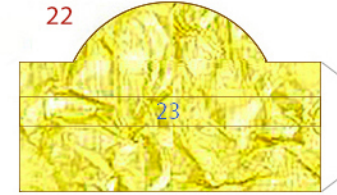


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Color back Black

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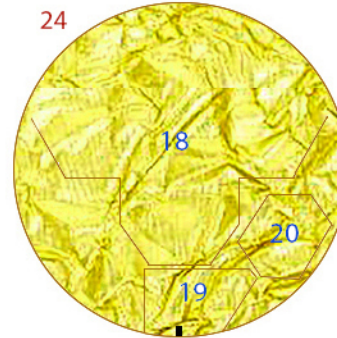
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Glue to cardstock, glue inside part 9 at the top to ensure roundness.

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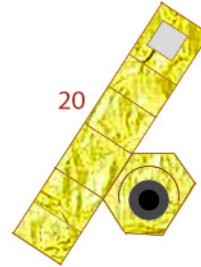
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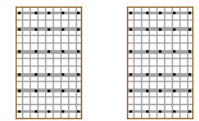
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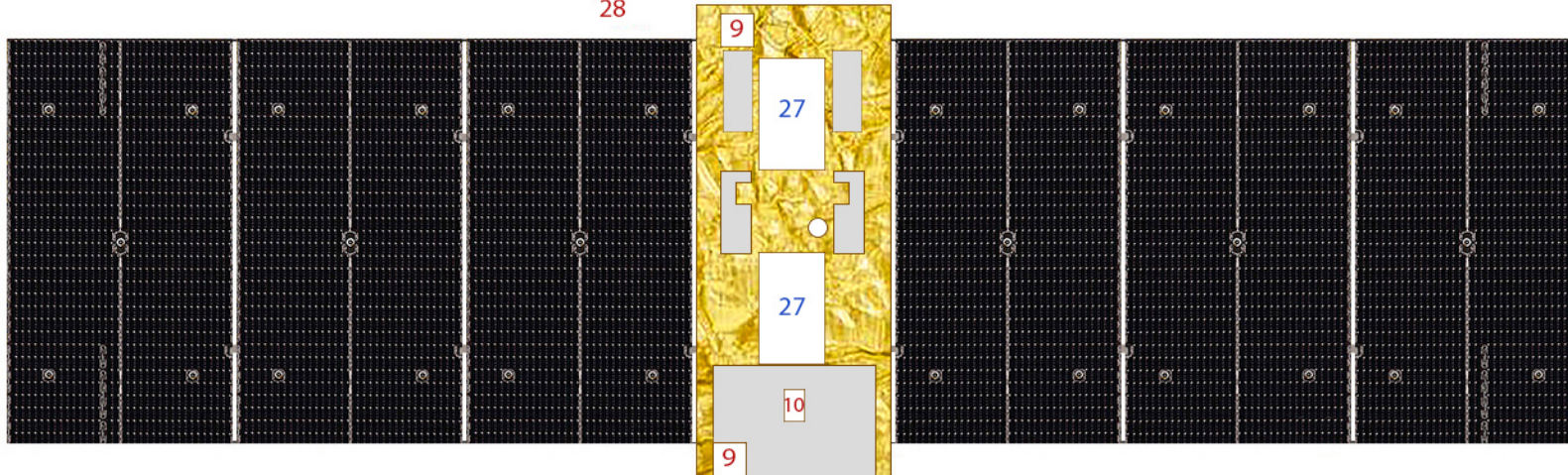
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Cut out the light blue areas.

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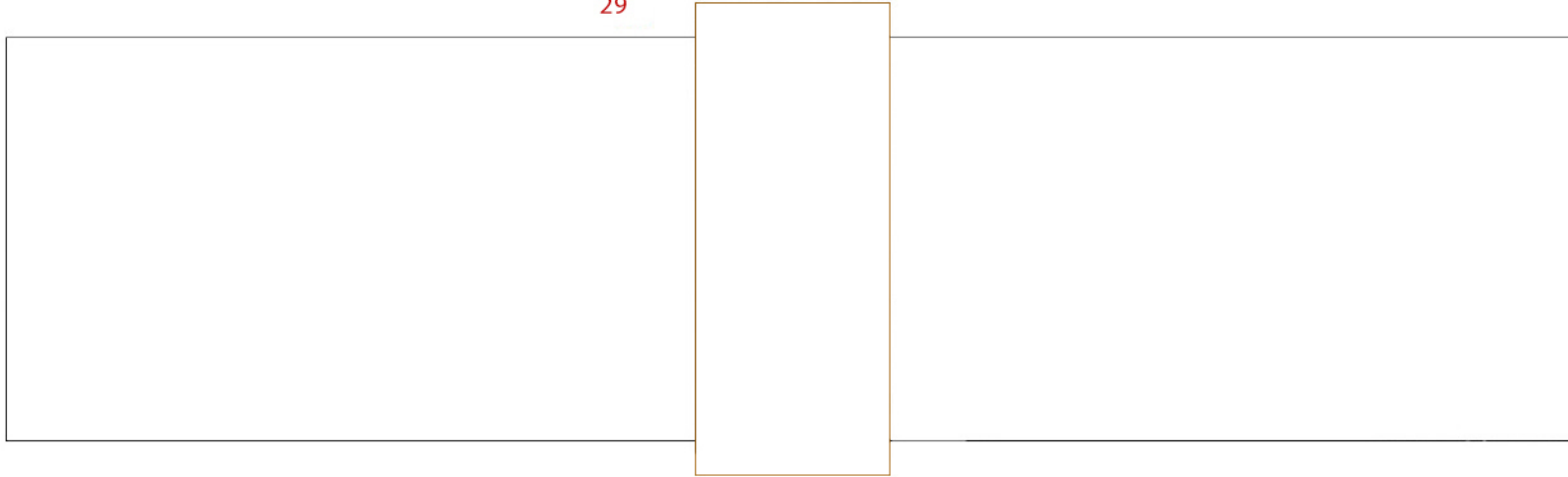
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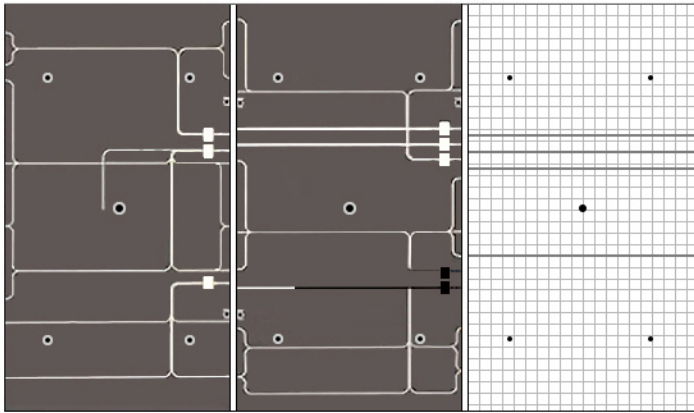


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Spacecraft paper Models

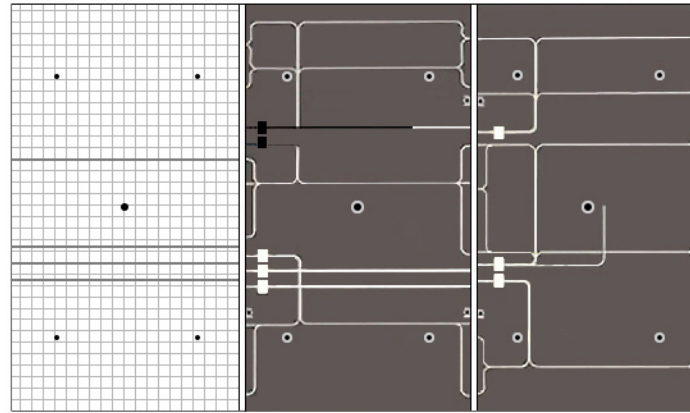
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Roll, glue to cylinder with graphics inside

Fold, glue back-to-back

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Glue to cardstock