

OS Δ OOS



Primary Fluorescents (2012) – Cast Edition (2016)

Publisher: Roehrs & Boetsch

Materials: aluminium, neon

Dimensions: Circle ø 43 x 6 cm, Square 26 x 26 x 6 cm, Triangle 30 x 22 x 6 cm

Edition: Circle 12 + 2 AP + 1 PT, Square 12 + 2 AP + 1 PT, Triangle 12 + 2 AP + 1 PT

The name is a combination of the fluorescent nature of the gasses that create light and the ‘primary’ forms (circle, square and triangle) that make up the final shapes. The circle form hangs on the wall whereas the triangle and square are intended for surfaces, as they have flat bottoms.

The Primary Fluorescent lights were always a play with pre-conceived notions. As with the initial prototypes (2012) and the final version (2016) the materials chosen were not how they seemed.

Initial inspiration for the Primary Fluorescents lights came from OS Δ OOS’s need for certain foam sorts used for packaging. One sort that replicated the look of marble got the duo thinking how it could solve certain design problems especially when bringing hard and fragile materials together. The best aspect OS Δ OOS extracted from those initial prototypes were the simple manner of working in layers, each cut to fulfill its own task within the design. Working with foam made it easy to create the shapes needed as well as producing precise yet cost efficient molds for creating the final version in aluminium.

Aluminum was chosen as the final material for a number of reasons: A lost wax casting method made extremely precise copies of the prototyp foam molds and retains all the detail of the original material. Aluminum – the way it is used in these new lights – also shares with the foam that it replicates the look of stone or concrete. It has the same size to weight ratio as marble, so paying homage to the initial prototypes. Last but not least the result are three new unique lights in which two worlds meet – lightness and heaviness, breakable and unbreakable – that are presented for the first time during the solo exhibition ‘Synthesis’ at gallery Roehrs & Boetsch.