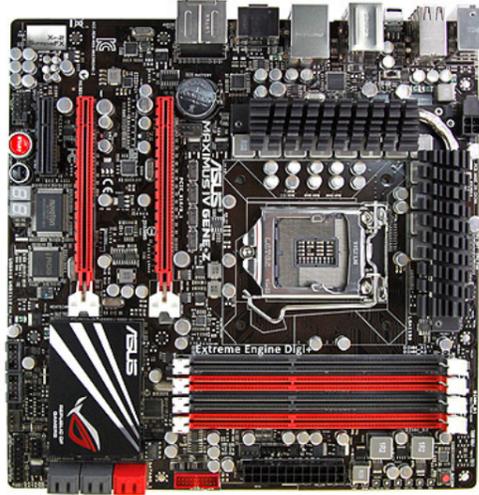


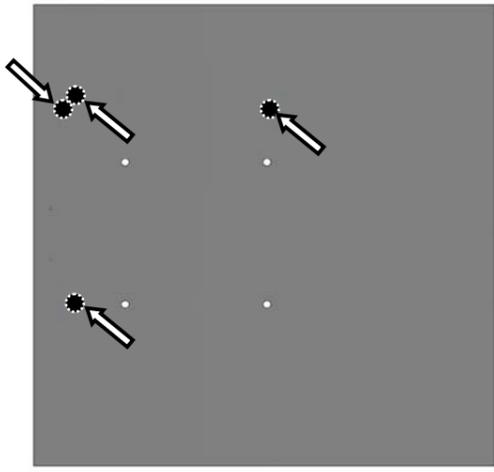
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**STEP 1: GENERAL INFORMATION.** Sample picture of ASUS Maximus IV Gene-Z motherboard.

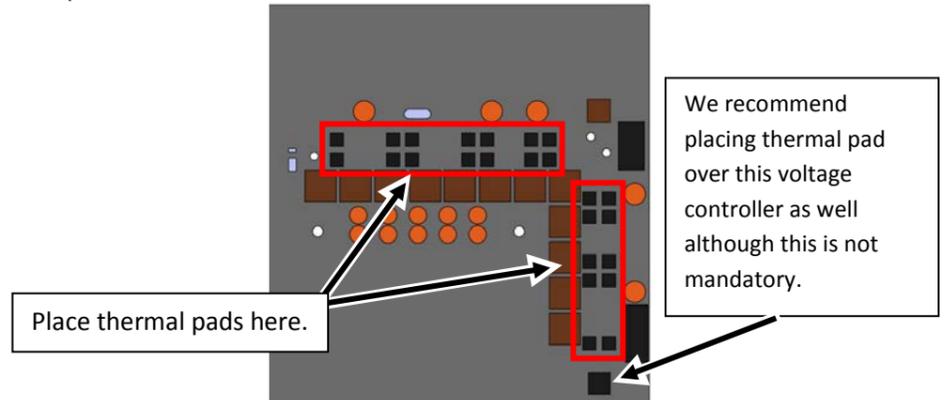


**STEP 2: PREPARING YOUR MOTHERBOARD**

1. **REMOVING STOCK COOLER.** Remove all four (4) screws pins holding the MOSFET heatsink assembly. Whole heat-pipe heatsink must be removed.

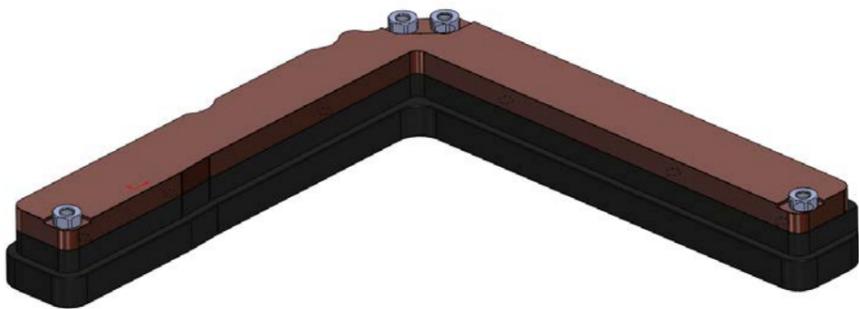


2. **CUTTING THERMAL PADS.** Your block comes with two stripes of thermal pads (90x15x1mm), which have to be trimmed and placed on MOSFET chips. EK recommends using small drops of electrically non-conductive (for example: Arctic Cooling MX-2™ or MX-4™) thermal grease on each phase regulator (that is being covered with thermal pad; see picture below) in order to even further improve the thermal performance of the water block.

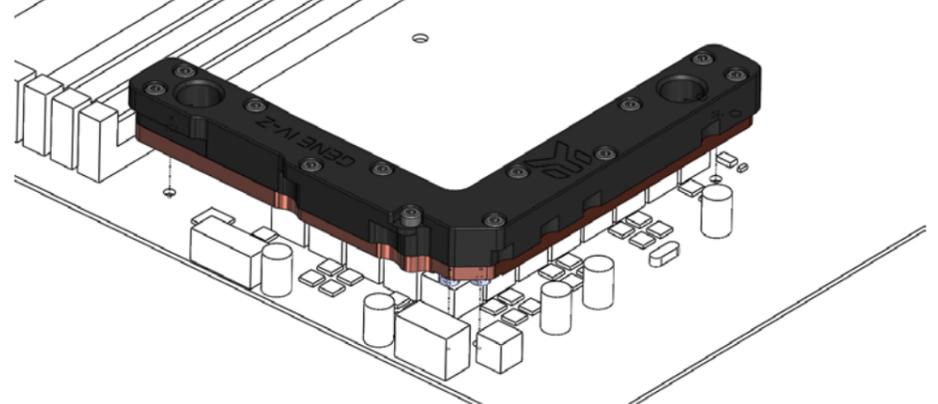


**STEP 3: PREPARING YOUR WATERBLOCK**

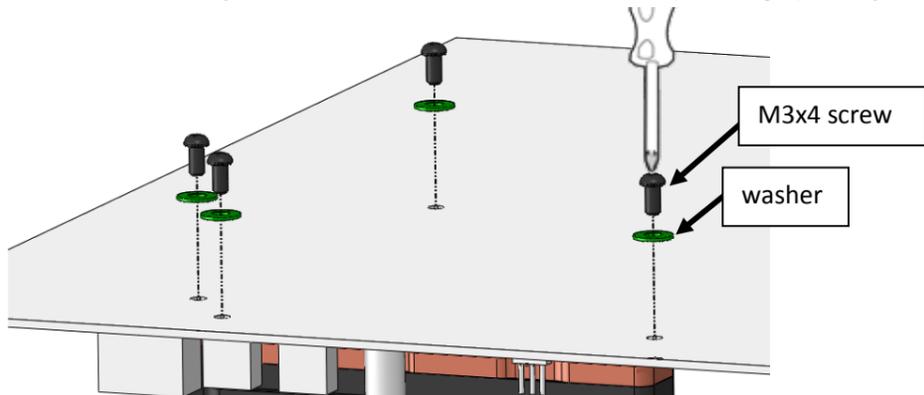
1. **STANDOFFS ON WATERBLOCK.** Your waterblock comes preinstalled with four (4) brass standoffs (height 2.5mm) which prevent overtightening of the screws. Nonetheless avoid using excessive mounting force as you may damage threads and/o hardware.



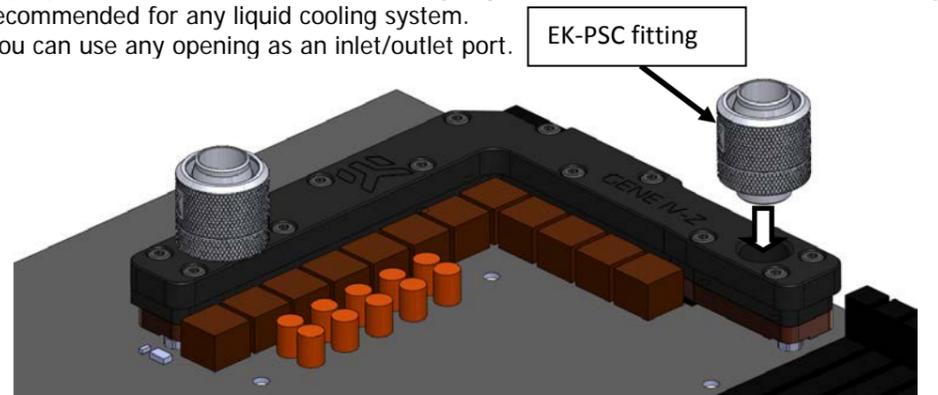
2. **PLACING WATERBLOCK ON MOTHERBOARD.** Place waterblock on VRM section of the motherboard's circuit board as shown on picture below:



3. **ATTACHING WATERBLOCK ON MOTHERBOARD.** When waterblock is safely placed on motherboard, please align the openings and fasten the waterblock using the enclosed M3x4 screws and plastic washers to the motherboard's circuit board. It is recommended that you check for unwanted contacts before powering up the system.



4. **POSITIONING FITTINGS AND CONNECTING TO WATER CIRCUIT.** Attach the liquid cooling tubes and connect the water-block(s) into the cooling circuit. To ensure that the tubes are securely attached to the barb/fittings, please use hose clamps or an appropriate substitute. The use of quality algacide and corrosion inhibitors is always recommended for any liquid cooling system. You can use any opening as an inlet/outlet port.



**REQUIRED TOOLS AND MOUNTING SCREWS:**

