

International SEMATECH – North

EUV Mask Blank Development Center

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International SEMATECH / University at Albany - SUNY Initiative

- **5-year, \$320M strategic alliance to develop infrastructure for EUV lithography (4:1 funding leverage from New York State)**
- **EUV Mask Blank Development Center will accelerate the development of commercial EUV mask blanks**
- **EUV Resist Test Center (RTC) will support the development of commercial EUV photoresists to meet production requirements**
- **Central location, state-of-the-art equipment and development programs to develop and test tools, materials and processes**

ISMT-N at U. Albany - SUNY

NanoFab South Building

3rd floor: ISMT Office area
1st floor: Cleanroom/MBDC



NanoFab South

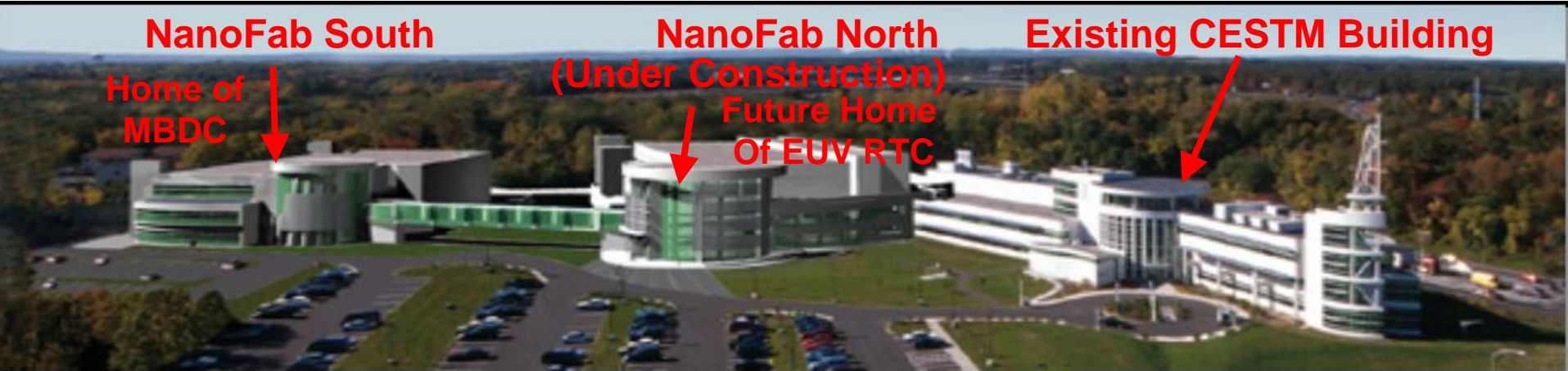
Home of
MBDC



**NanoFab North
(Under Construction)
Future Home
Of EUV RTC**



Existing CESTM Building



Overview: Mask Blank Development Center (MBDC)

- **Technical Objectives:**

- Develop infrastructure to work on multilayer defect reduction on EUV blanks.
- Establish a facility to support metrology and evaluation of EUV blanks
- Provide facilities for blank suppliers to develop and evaluate new processes for multilayer deposition and metrology

- **Equipment:**

- Primary equipment set ordered; 4 tools installed and qualified (details follow)
- Basic infrastructure is in place and we can host users (on limited toolset)

- **Staffing:**

- 5 ISMT engineers plus program manager
- 4 process/equipment technicians (7 by December 2003)
- Administrative and support team in place.
- Facilities support infrastructure and staffing provided by U. Albany.

Overview: Mask Blank Development Center (MBDC)

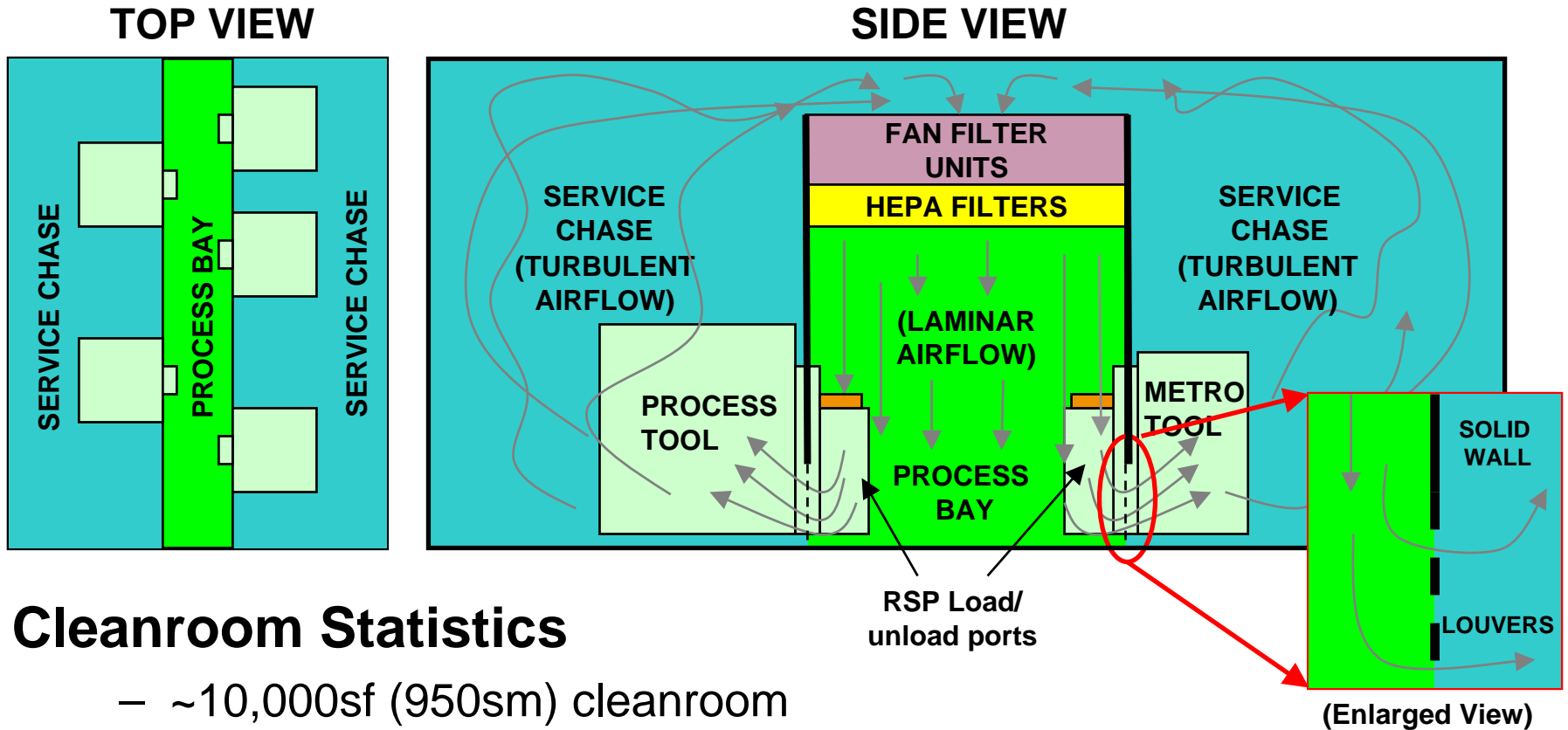
- **Status – September 2003:**

- Mask Blank Development center is “ready for business”: all basic infrastructure is in place and we can host users (on limited toolset)
 - IBD Dep tool, Defect inspect tool, AFM and FIB/SEM qual’d
- Basic metrology toolset on order.

- **Goals for Q4 2003:**

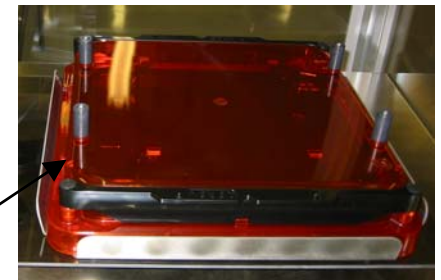
- Qualify and cross-calibrate first set of metrology, cleans, and support tools
- Staff and train personnel to support EUV blank development
- Provide guest access in Albany for metrology and deposition experiments

NanoFab South Cleanroom: Basic Design and Specs



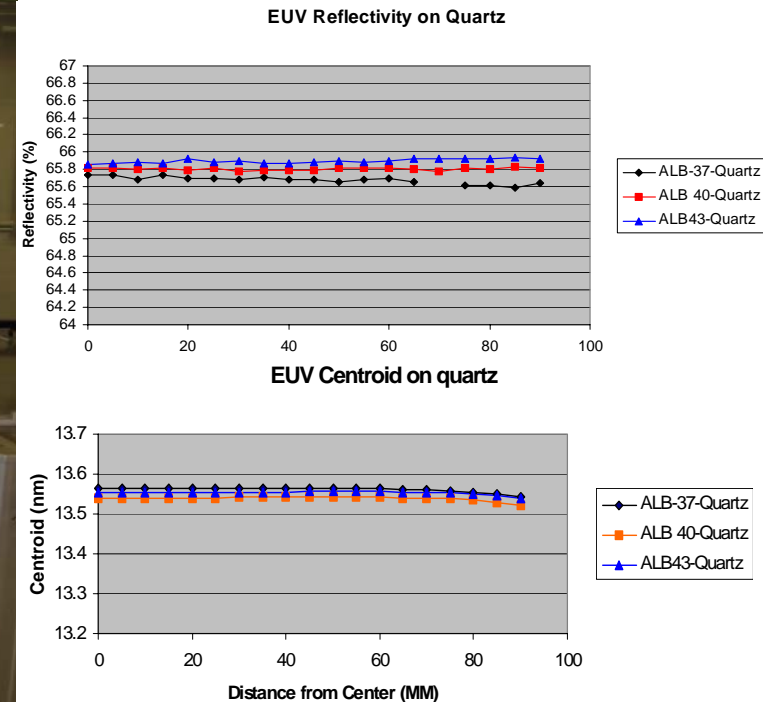
Cleanroom Statistics

- ~10,000sf (950sm) cleanroom
- slab on grade construction (good for vibration)
- Bay/chase design (no sub-fab)
- Class 100 bays, ~Class 1000 chases
- 100% SMIF (RSP) capability for in-line tools



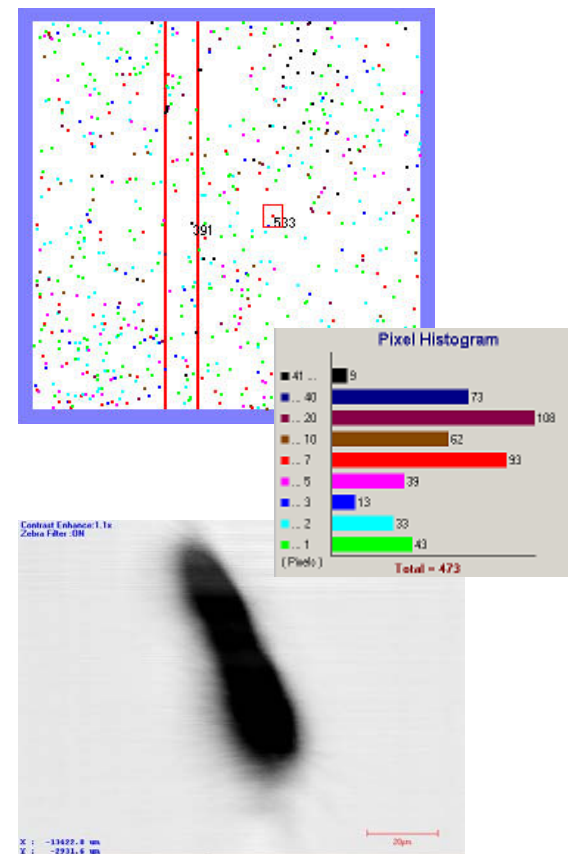
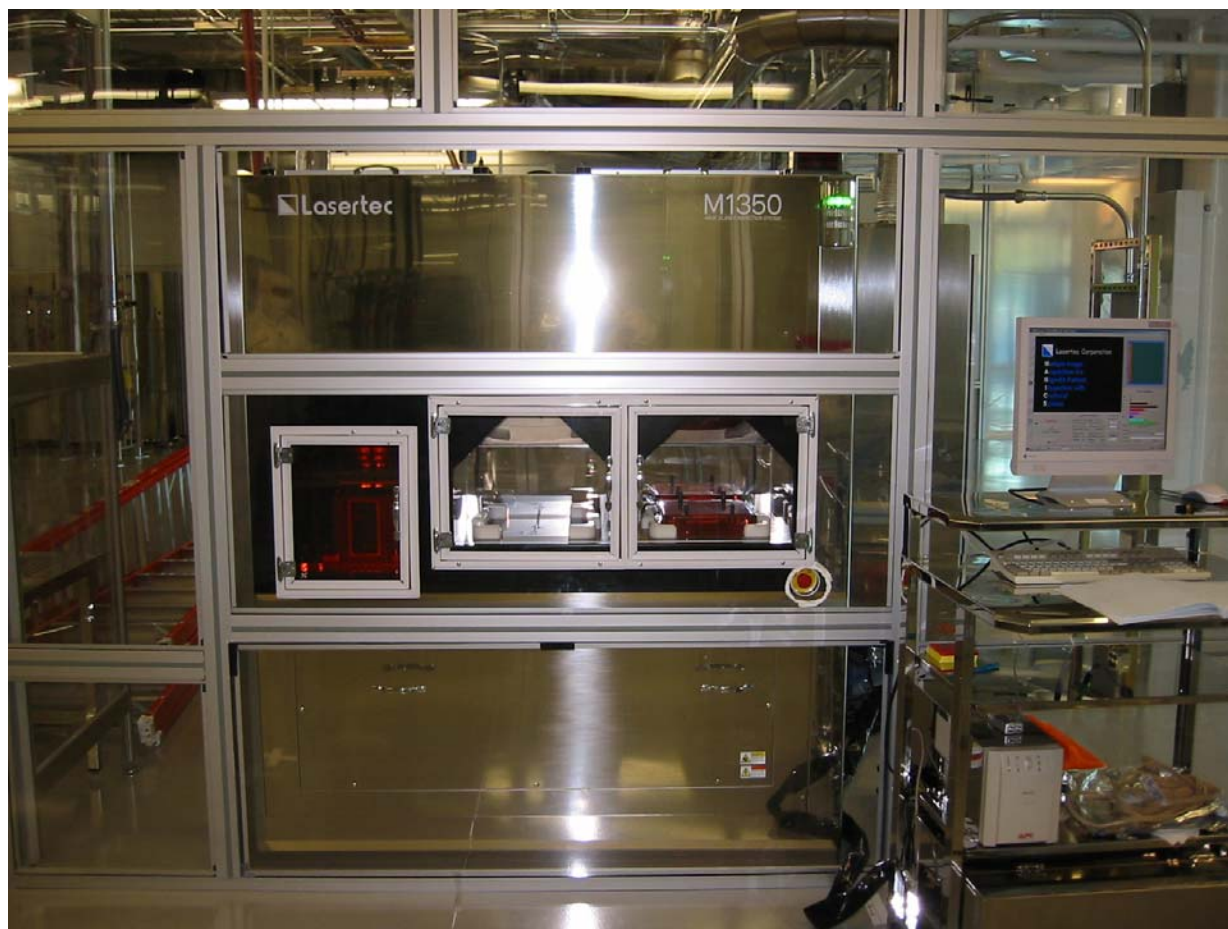
Veeco Nexus Ion Beam Deposition

Purpose	Deposit reflective coatings on EUV mask blank substrates (40 pairs of alternating Si/Mo films)		
Capability	Reflectance (%) 65.8 +/- 0.075 (3 δ)	Centroid (nm) 13.55 +/- 0.012 (3 δ)	FWHM 0.53 +/- 0.0021 (3 δ)
Usage	Processing		
Status	Qualified, in use		



Lasertec M1350 Defect Inspection

Purpose	Measure defect density on mask blanks or substrates
Capability	~75nm (PSL equivalent)
Usage	In-line and end-of-line metrology
Status	Qualified, in use



Veeco Dimension 9000PM Atomic Force Microscope

Purpose	High spatial frequency surface roughness + defect characterization
Capability	~1 Angstrom (+ defect navigation)
Usage	In-line and end-of-line metrology
Status	Qualified, in use

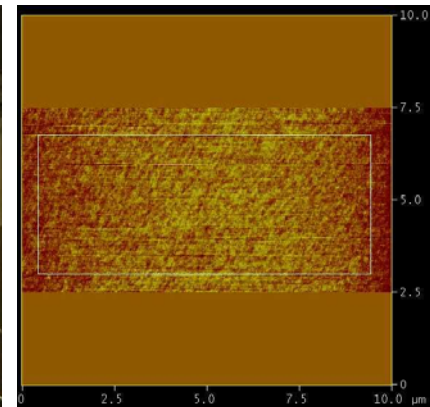


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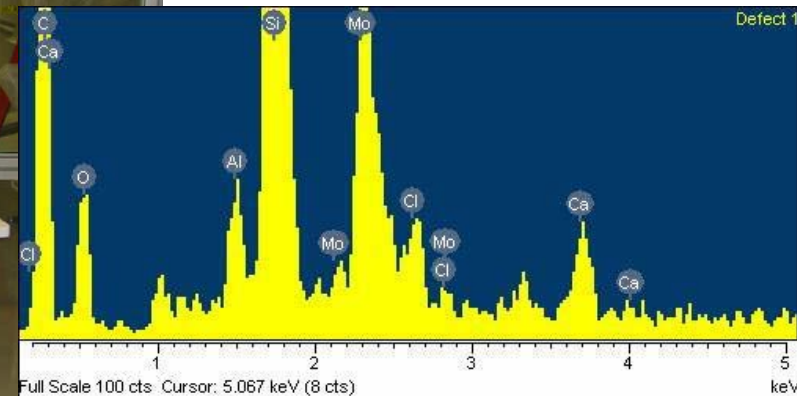
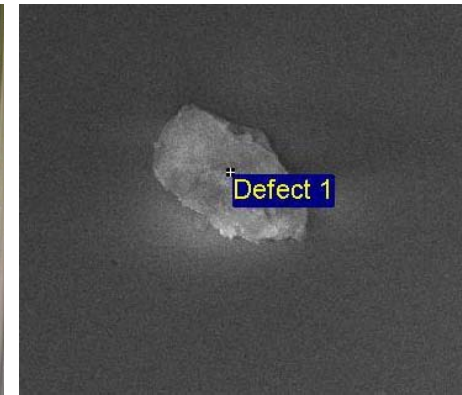
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Img. Mean	0.000000 nm
Img. Raw mean	563.02 nm
Img. Rms (Rq)	0.139 nm
Img. Ra	0.077 nm

Box Statistics

Z range	1.986 nm
Mean	0.024 nm
Raw mean	565.21 nm
Rms (Rq)	0.179 nm
Mean roughness (Ra)	0.142 nm
Max height (Rmax)	1.970 nm

FEI Altura 835 FIB/SEM/EDX

Purpose	Characterize defects to assist in root-cause analysis: morphology, composition, etc...
Capability	~5-6nm resolution
Usage	End-of-line metrology, FA + TEM sample prep
Status	Qualification expected September 2003



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Future Tools

TOOL	SUPPLIER - MODEL	APPLICATION	DELIVERY
Mask Blank Clean	Contrade Verticlean	Wet chemical cleaning of mask substrates	Oct 2003
Mask Flatness Interferometer	Zygo VeriFire MST1550	Mask/substrate flatness	Oct 2003
Phase Microscope/ Interferometer	Zygo NewView 5000	Mid spatial frequency roughness/local slope	Oct 2003
Reticle Sorter	Fala Technologies	Clean transfer between SMIF pods	Nov 2003
X Ray reflectivity	Rigaku GXR300	Characterize multilayer structure, thickness, interfaces	Dec 2003
EUV Reflectometer	EUV Technologies LPR1016-FS1515	Multilayer reflectivity, FWHM, centroid wavelength	Mar 2004

MBDC “Ready For Development” Milestone

- **Purpose of “Ready for Development”:**
 - Accelerate transition from startup to development
 - Develop operational policies and procedures
 - Generate clear roles and responsibilities for each team member
- **“Ready for Development” milestone:**
 - We reached “Ready for Development” milestone on 8/4/2003
 - Specifications developed for cleanroom protocol, tool operation
 - Tool product logs implemented.
 - Cleanroom badging, access procedures and training implemented
 - Tool calendars and scheduling implemented
 - Visitor hosting procedures established
 - Experiment template and prioritization/review process implemented
- **We are open for business (albeit with a limited toolset and capability)**

Process cards, logs, numbering (example)

Reticle #		327PHQ10	
Process	Recipe / Specification	DESCRIPTION	
Blank Record	Write in the Full title	Quartz test	
1			
Hoya Box 143RD slot 2	Write in all the information		
2			
Trans	Place in RSP200	Manual Fala tool	
3			
Clean	Contnate		
4			
Measure	Zygo-Flatness		
5			
Inspect	Laser tech		
6			
Deposit	Veeco		
7			
Trans	Fala Auto transfer		
8			
Measure	Laser tech		
9			
Clean	Contnate		
10			
Inspect	Laser tech		
11			
Measure	XRR		
12			

Reticle lot tracking convention

Year Week Prime/Test Supplier material plate number

 3 27 T U Q 10

Year	
2003	3
2004	4
2005	5
2006	6
2007	7

Supplier key		Material Key	
Schott	S	ULE	L
Hoya	H	Zerodur	Z
Asahi	A	Quartz	Q
Corning	C	Unknown	U
Shin-Etsu	E		
Other	O		
Unknown	U		

Number order
10, 11, 12..

Lot number
328TSQ10

Lasertec tool									
Blank lot number	Product/Test	Owner	LOG IN	OPERA TOR	LOG OUT	OPERA TOR	Purpose	Notes	
327PHQ10	Product	John Maltabes	700	JGM	1130	AM	First plate on tracking system	images captured	

Technical Progress to Date: EUV Multilayer Deposition Process

- Baseline process has been established
- Tool currently being upgraded with electrostatic substrate holder
- Defect partitioning and analysis has begun

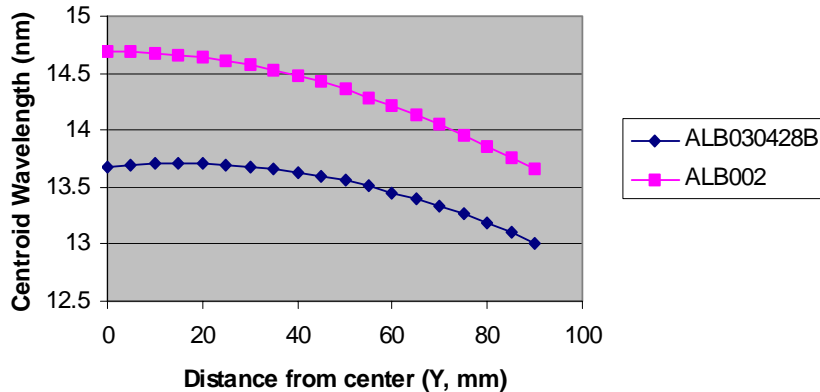
	Reflectance (%)	Centroid (nm)	FWHM
	65.8 +/- 0.075% 3 σ	13.55 +/- 0.012 3 σ	0.53 +/- 0.0021 3 σ
P38-1102 SEMI Standard- class A	0.50%	0.05	0.006

- We have exceeded P38 SEMI production specifications for reflectance and centroid wavelength uniformity

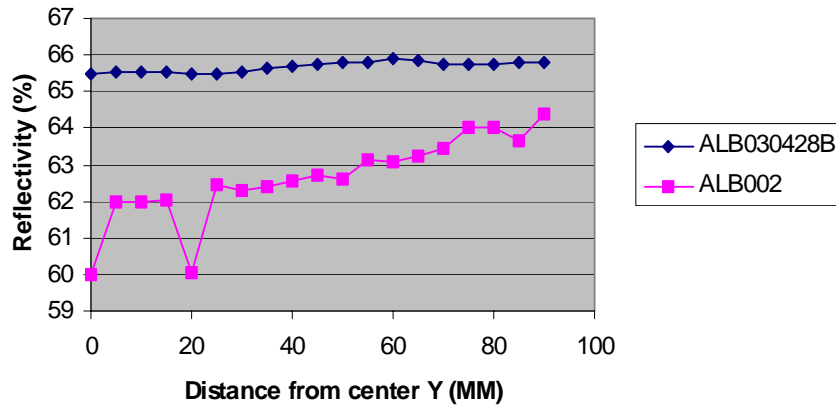
EUV Deposition Process Improvement

May 2003

Centroid uniformity = 0.7nm 3sigma
Centroid Wavelength (nm)

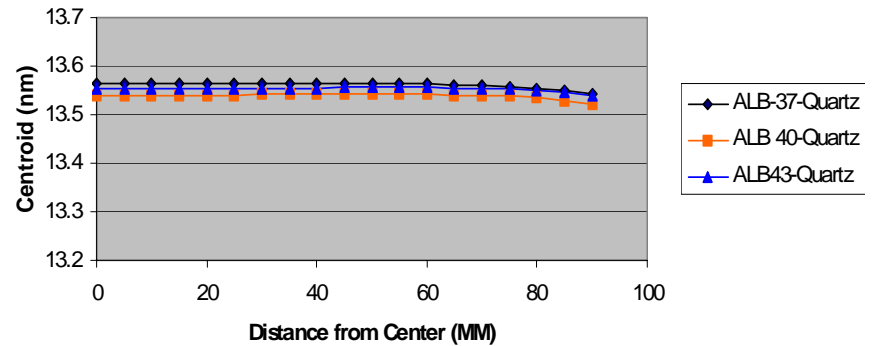


Reflectivity (%)

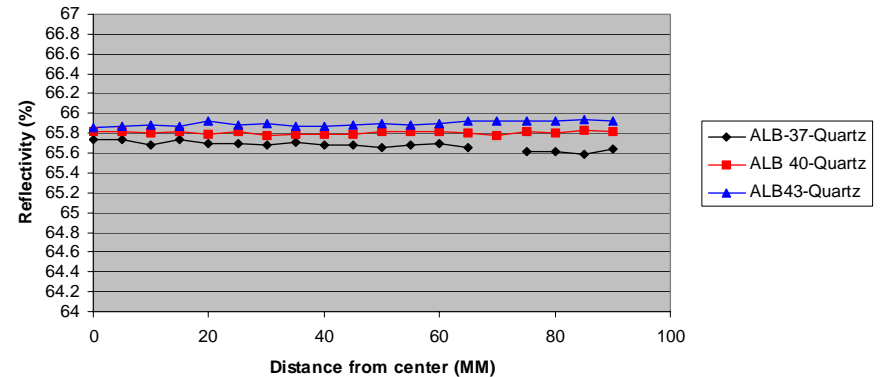


July 2003

Centroid uniformity = 0.01nm 3sigma (Goal < 0.07nm)
EUV Centroid on quartz



EUV Reflectivity on Quartz



Process Repeatability

Silicon Coupons

	Reflectivity	3 Sigma	Centroid	3 Sigma
ALB035	65.23	1.23	13.58	0.0114
ALB036	65.17	1.41	13.57	0.0099
ALB038	65.15	1.59	13.54	0.0129
ALB039	64.64	1.92	13.56	0.0108
ALB041	64.73	1.86	13.56	0.0111
Average	64.984		13.562	
3 sigma	0.83		0.04	

Quartz Substrates

	Reflectivity	3 Sigma	Centroid	3 Sigma
ALB037	65.6	0.123	13.56	0.0168
ALB040	65.8	0.048	13.54	0.015
ALB043	65.89	0.075	13.55	0.0132
Average	65.76333		13.55	
3 sigma	0.45		0.03	

Summary

ISMT's Mask Blank Development Center is open and ready for EUV mask blank development!

Solid results already demonstrated:

- Veeco Nexus Mo/Si multilayer deposition tool has been installed and accepted
 - Repeatable EUV reflectance > 65%
 - Wavelength uniformity 0.012 nm (3σ)
 - Reflectance uniformity 0.075 % (3σ)
- Defect inspection & atomic force microscope qualified.
- Remaining basic metrology toolset to be qualified by EOY2003
- Wet bench to be delivered and qualified for EOY2003
- Staffing and logistics plans on schedule.
- Facility and metrology tool characterizations have begun
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