

Wafer Processing Capabilities up to 4" wafer size

| Service | Process Details | Core Equipment |
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| MOVPE Heterostructure Growth | | |
| AlGaAs, AlGaN | growth of customer-specific GaAs-based heterostructures for laser diodes (630 nm - 1180 nm), Bragg mirrors, saturable absorbers, modulators, etc. on 2"-4" substrates | 2 x AIX 2800G4 12x3"/4" |
| AlGaN | growth of customer-specific GaN- and AlN-based heterostructures for laser diodes (400 nm - 450 nm), UVB & UVC LEDs, GaN HFETs, AlN HFETs, vertical transistor structures, GaN templates, AlN templates on 2"-4" substrates | 1 x AIX 2600G3 8x4" (transistor structures, GaN), 1 x AIX 2600G3 11x2" (AlN templates), 2 x AIX CCS 6x2" (UV LEDs, GaN lasers, AlN transistors) |
| Lithography | | |
| electron beam | shaped electron beam writing of photo masks and direct wafer exposure for CD ≥ 50 nm Gaussian electron beam direct wafer writing for CD > 10 nm electron beam resist processing cluster | Vistec SB251, RAITH EBPG 5200 ATM Vision MAXIMUS 804, AMCOSS AMC2000 |
| i-Line | i-Line stepper lithography for CD > 400 nm MEMS stepper lithography for CD > 2 μm and large depth of focus spin coating and developing developing | NIKON NSR-2205i12D, NIKON NES1W-i06 Süss ACS 200, IOS Cube 5 AMCOSS AMC2000 Hamatech HMP 90 |
| contact | double-side mask aligner, wafer bond alignment single-side mask aligner manual resist coating and baking for small wafers or pieces | Süss MA 8, EVG 420 Süss MA 100 side Pokorny bench with CONVAC spin coater, SAWATEC SM-150/HP-401 duo, SAWATEC SM-150/HP-160-250-III duo |
| oven | BCB vacuum cure oven | YES PB6-2P-CP, YES-PB6-2P-CP-E |
| Deposition and Annealing | | |
| PECVD | PECVD silicon nitride for passivation and dielectric layers | Oxford PlasmaPro 100, Sentech SI 600 D |
| IC-PECVD | deposition of silicon nitride, silicon oxide and silicon oxynitrides for passivation and dielectric layers | Sentech SI 500 D |
| RF and DC sputtering | sputtered Ta ₂ O ₅ , Al ₂ O ₃ , SiO ₂ , Si ₃ N ₄ for optical coatings and passivation layers, sputtered WSiN _x , AuGe, NiCr, Ni for metallic coatings, interconnects and resistors TiW, Au, Ir, ITO Ag, Al, Ti, TiW Au, Ir, TiW | Ardenne CS 730 Leybold Z 590 Leybold Univex 600C Aurion |
| evaporation | Al, Au, Cr, Ge, Ni, Pd, Pt, Ti, V Au, Sn, In Al, Au, Mo, Ni, Pd, Pt, Ti, V | Leybold 560 HV Leybold A700 Leybold Univex 600C |
| UHV evaporation | Ti, Pt, Au, Ni Al, Au, Ir, Mo, Ni, Pd, Pt, Ta, Ti, V, W, Ge Al, Au, Mo, Ni, Pt, Ti | Leybold 560 UHV Pfeiffer Classic 580 Leybold Univex 600C |
| atomic layer deposition | Al ₂ O ₃ | Sentech SI PEALD-M cluster tool with two ICP etch chambers SI 500 |
| electroplating | Au Au (from cyanidic & sulphitic baths), Ni and Sn | MOT ClassOne Solstice S8 |
| additive micro-manufacturing | direct 3D Au printing with submicron resolution | Exaddon μAM system |
| rapid thermal annealing | ohmic contact formation dopand activation up to 1600°C | AST SHS 100, AST SHS 2800 Hemera HT |

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| Etching and Cleaning | | |
| dry etch | ashing of photo and electron beam resists descum, ashing semiconductor etch: e.g., GaAs, AlGaAs, InGaAs, InGaP, InP, GaN, AlGaN, AlN, SiC, Si / dielectrics etch: e.g., SiO ₂ , Si ₃ N ₄ , Al ₂ O ₃ / metal etch: e.g., Ti, Ir, WSi _x , WSiN _x , Al / polymer etch: e.g., photo resists, polyimides, KMPR, BCB | PVA TePla GIGABatch 360 M Sentech SI100 (O ₂ , SF ₆ , CF ₄) several plasma etch tool types: Sentech SI591 RIE, SI500, and SI500 RIE using fluorine- and chlorine-based gases such as: SF ₆ , CF ₄ , CHF, BCl ₃ , Cl ₂ as well as: Ar, He, O ₂ |
| diamond etching | anisotropic etching at RT and isotropic etching at 400°C | Sentech: SI 500 ICP |
| DRIE - deep reactive ion etching | DRIE at cryogenic temperatures or pulsed / time-multiplexed etching (BOSCH) | Sentech: SI 500 C DRIE |
| dry etch in-situ etch control | laser interferometry | GF-Messtechnik Nanomes, Sentech SLI 760, Horiba LEM-CT |
| wet etch | GaAs | SSEC M 3300 |
| cleaning | wet strip (NMP) mask cleaning | Hamatech HME 900 Hamatech HMP 900 |
| lift-off / metal lift-off | NMP NMP free solutions, metal lift-off with NMP | SSEC M 3302, Hamatech HME 900, Obducat QS S 200 LO ClassOne Spray Solvent Tool, ClassOne Solstice S4 |
| critical point dryer | for up to 3" wafers | Tousimis Autosamdri 931 |
| Electrical Process Control Monitoring | | |
| DC wafer prober | I-V measurements down to 0,1 fA (100 nV or 0.5 μV) and up to 1 A (200 V), TLM, C-V measurements | Karl Süss, Cascade & MPI semi-automatic wafer prober, Keysight Formfactor |
| Ion Implantation | | |
| ion implantation | acceleration voltage 10 keV to 500 keV, gaseous, liquid or solid sources, e.g., H, He, C, N, O, Ar, Ge, Sn, As..., up to 200 mm wafers, heatable chuck up to 700 °C | HVEE |
| Backend | | |
| wafer thinning | lapping, grinding, mechanical polishing of GaAs, GaN, SiC, sapphire, Si | Logitech LP50, PM 5, PM 6, DISCO DAG810 |
| surface planarization | planarization of ductile materials (metals, BCB) | DISCO DAS8920 |
| wafer bonding | metal bonding, anodic bonding, BCB bonding, temporary bonding, aligned bonding | EVG501, Süss Bonder SB8 |
| wafer dicing | blade dicing of up to 150 mm GaAs, sapphire, SiC, Si, quartz | Disco DAD 321, ADT 7100 |
| laser dicing | full cut laser dicing of T-cut layouts (SiC, Si) and wafer coring (resizing of up to 200 mm wafers) | DISCO DFL7161 |
| diamond scribing & breaking | GaAs | Opto System LDH-100TS |
| laser scribing & breaking | GaN, GaN/sapphire | Opto System WSS 4000, LDH-100TS |
| laser micro processing | scribing, dicing, drilling of SiC, GaN, AlN, Si | Innolas ILS 500S-Air |

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| Mounting and Assembly | | |
| dicing (scribe & break) | e.g. bars of laser diodes (AlGaInAsP) | Opto System OSM-90TS, LDH-50TS |
| soldering perform tayloring | AuSn, SAC, PbSn | InnoLas ILS500S |
| die bonding | AuSn, SAC, PbSn - soldering with soldering depot or preform - atmosphere forming gas, formic acid or pure H ₂ | Finetech Sigma, Femto; SET Accura Opto; Cammax EDB80, EDB80P |
| dispensing glue / soldering paste | glues - conductive: H20E (Ag filled) - isolating: 353ND, H61LV, H70 - space qualified: solithane / soldering pastes - AuSn, SAC, PbSn | Robot Masushi 350PC, ovens from Memmert and Binder |
| laser diode heat dissipation | C-mount (up to 4 contact tabs), CCP (up to 24 contact pins), special designed CCPs, e.g. for laser bars | Finetech Pico, Unitemp RSS160-400, RSS350 |
| UV LED heat dissipation | SMD packages, solder bonding, Au stud bonding, capping | Finetech Sigma, Femto; Robot Masushi 350PC |
| transistor housing | HF applications up to 10 GHz, power applications 50 A / 600 V | Finetech Pico, Sigma |
| wire bonding | Au wire 25 µm, 17.5 µm, Al wire, wedge-wedge, ball-wedge, ribbon | Bondtech 5830, 5632; TPT HB16, HB05 |
| Metrology and Inspection | | |
| film thickness measurement | optical thickness measurement | Sentech RM2000, FTP500 |
| X-ray fluorescence analysis | metal layer thickness and material composition of stacks; analysis of aqueous electrolytes | FISCHERSCOPE X-RAY XDV-µ |
| scanning electron microscope | wafer inspection up to 4" materials characterization by cathodoluminescence (CL), electron microprobe (EDX) | Hitachi S4800, Hitachi Regulus 8230 with Oxford Instruments Ultim Max EDX Zeiss Ultra with Gatan CL |
| scanning acoustic microscope | analysis of metal stacks for wafer up to 150 mm | PVA Tepla HD ² -SAM |
| atomic force microscope | for up to 150 mm wafers, scan range of 100 x 100 µm ² , cAFM module with a current sensitivity of 100 nA/V | Bruker Dimension Edge |
| laser scanning microscope | optical inspection and analysis | Keyence VK X1000 |
| CD SEM | CD measurement | KLA-Tencor 8100 |
| ellipsometer | optical properties | Sentech SE400 |
| white light interferometer | surface topology | Zygo LOT NV6300, NewView 9000 |
| defect measurement | defect and particle detection and classification atomic force microscopy | KLA Candela CS20 Bruker Dimension Edge |
| crystalline properties | high-resolution X-ray diffraction | 2 x Panalytical Xpert Pro |
| electrical properties | sheet resistance carrier concentration and mobility (T-resolved Hall measurements) | KITEC MRES-2000M proprietary setup |
| optical properties | band gap, composition, defect luminescence by photoluminescence (10 K - 300 K), excitation 193 nm - 1 µm locally resolved band gap, composition, defect characterization in layers and devices (failure analysis, incl. preparation) by CL (80 K - 300 K) | proprietary setup Gatan CL in Zeiss Ultra SEM |