



# **EUV Lithography Research and Development Activities in Japan**

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#### IRDS 2018 Device, PPA, and Ground Rules Roadmap for Logic Devices

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YEAR OF PRODUCTION	2018	2020	2022	2025	2028	2031	2034
	G54M36	G48M30	G45M24	G42M21	G40M16	G40M16T2	G40M16T4
Logic industry "Node Range" Labeling (nm)	"7"	"5"	"3"	"2.1"	"1.5"	"1.0 eq"	"0.7 eq"
IDM-Foundry node labeling	i10-f7	i7-f5	i5-f3	i3-f2.1	i2.1 <b>-</b> f1.5	i1.5e-f1.0e	i1.0e-f0.7e
l agia daviaa structura antiana	FinEET	<b>ENEET</b>	finFET	1000	LGAA	LGAA-3D	LGAA-3D
Logic device structure options	FINEL	INFEI	LGAA	LGAA	VGAA	VGAA	VGAA
Mainstream device for logic	finFET	finFET	finFET	LGAA	LGAA	LGAA-3D	LGAA-3D
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	0.75	0.70	0.70	0.65	0.65	0.60	0.60
Gate length (nm)	20	18	16	14	12	12	12
Number of stacked tiers	1	1	1	1	1	2	4
Number of stacked devices	1	1	1	3	3	4	4
Digital block area scaling - node-to-node	10.00	0.60	0.75	0.82	0.79	0.57	0.50
Cell height limitation - HD	device	MO	MO	MO	MO	MO	MO
SoC area scalling (stacked) - node-to-node		0.70	0.79	0.84	0.83	0.60	0.60
CPU frequency (GHz)	2.90	3.13	3.27	3.64	4.02	3.46	3.30
Frequency scaling - node-to-node		0.08	0.04	0.11	0.10	-0.14	-0.05
CPU frequency at constant power density (GHz)	2.90	1.92	1.69	2.14	1.93	1.25	0.72
Power at iso frequency - node-to-node		-0.23	-0.14	-0.36	-0.20	-0.12	-0.14
Power density - relative	1.00	1.64	1.94	1.70	2.08	2.78	4.55
LOGIC TECHNOLOGY ANCHORS							
Patterning technology inflection for Mx interconnect	193i, EUV	193i, EUV DP	193i, EUV DP	193i, High-NA EUV	193i, High-NA EUV	193i, High-NA EUV	193i, High-NA EUV
Beyond-CMOS as complimentary to mainstream CMOS	2. <b>5</b> 1	i <del>.</del>		2D Device, FeFET	2D Device, FeFET	2D Device, FeFET	2D Device, FeFET
Channel material technology inflection	Si	SiGe25%	SiGe50%	Ge, 2D Mat	Ge, 2D Mat	Ge, 2D Mat	Ge, 2D Mat
Process technology inflection	C onform al deposition	C onform al Doping, Contact	Channel, RMG	Stacked- device Non-Cu Mx	Stacked-device Non-Cu Mx	3DVLSI	3DVLSI
Stacking generation inflection	2D	2D	3D-stacking: W2W D2W	3D-stacking: W2W D2W	Fine-pitch + High-BW 3D stacking, P- over-N (CFET), VGAA use	3DVLSI: Mem-on-Logic, VGAA use	3DVLSI: Logic-on-Logic
LOGIC TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION CAPACITY							
Number of tiers	1	1	1	1	1	2	4
SoC footprint area target (mm2)	80	80	80	80	80	80	80
NAND2-eq gate count (Mgates/mm2)	10	17	23	28	35	62	125
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Table MM01 - More Moore - Logic Core Device Technology Roadmap

Acronyms used in the table (in order of appearance): FDSOI: Fully-Depleted Silicon-On-Insulator (FDSOI), LGAA: Lateral Gate-All-Around-Device (GAA), VGAA: Vertical GAA, 3DVLSI: Fine-pitch 3D logic sequential integration.

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#### EUV Lithography R&D at University of Hyogo

#### SPring-8 Electron storage ring 100 mA @8 GeV

#### SPring-8 Injection LINAC 1 GeV

SPring-8 Booster ring 1 GeV→8 GeV

> NewSUBARU University of Hyogo 300 mA @1.0 – 1.5 GeV

# **Center for EUV Lithography**



#### NewSUBARU Synchrotron Radiation Facility



in SPring-8 site

 Resist
Mask
Large reflectometer of Collector mirror for EUV light source
Pellicle

Microscopes (EUVM ) Resist EUV Sensitivity





Resist Evaluation Instruments at NewSUBARU Synchrotron Light Facility (Previous R&D)

Following instruments at three beamlines is for opened usage of the novel EUV resist material evaluation.

- 1) E<sub>0</sub> sensitivity measurement
- 2) Outgassing measurement
- 3) EUV Interference lithography
- 4) Carbon growth in-situ measurement by ellipsometry
- 5) Resist transmission measurement
- 6) Resist chemical reaction analysis by Soft X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy

Very few limitations to evaluate novel EUV resist materials using each above tools !!

#### Mask Evaluation Instruments at NewSUBARU Synchrotron Light Facility (Previous R&D)

Following instruments at three beamlines is for opened usage of EUV mask evaluation.

- 1) Multilayer sputtering tool
- 2) Reflectometer for Mo/Si multilayer, absorber
- 3) World largest reflectometer for collector mirror of EUV light source
- 4) EUV mask inspection tool by brightfield EUV microscope
- 5) EUV mask inspection tool by EUV coherent scattering microscope (CSM)

Light source: SR, HHG laser (standalone)

6) EUV mask inspection tool by EUV micro CSM

# **Current R&D of EUV lithography at UoH**

- 4-1) Analysis of the spatial distribution of functional material in resist functional groups, photosensitizers (acid generators), additives such as amines, and so on
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#### Photon statistics - revisited



How Dose fluctuation turns into edge placement

$$\frac{LCDU}{nm} \approx 0.75 \cdot \frac{1}{NILS} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{h\nu/eV}{Dose/(mJ/cm^2)}}$$

NILS = 2.5  $h_V = 92 \text{ eV} (13.5 \text{ nm})$   $\longrightarrow$  LCDU = 0.6 nm Dose = 20 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup>

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Comparison between PAG Bounded and Blended Resists (EB 30kV)

#### For the 75 nm L/S resist pattern



LER = 3.5 nm

LER = 7.5 nm

#### **BAD LER**

# How to measure and analize?

• XAS using Cu  $K\alpha$  S(8 keV photon ) cannot detect the chemical bonding of the elements such as C, N, O, F etc. of resist material.

 SXAS (soft x-ray absorption spectroscopy) is very powerful tool to distinguish the chemical bonding of C,
N, O, F etc. in high contrast. (Resonance)

 Soft X-ray Coherent scatterometry method is ver powerful tool to measure the structure of the chemical contents of resist material. (Scattering)

• Resonance Soft X-ray Scattering (RSoXS) is very powerful tool to measure the size of the structure of the chemical contents of resist material.

# **Experimental Setup**

## RSoXS method

Scattering light from the sample is recorded by the CCD camera in vacuum.



#### [BL-10 beamline]

- Light source : bending magnet
- Monochromator is provided upstream.
- Photon energy range : 60 1100 eV
- Energy resolution E/ΔE : 2500

#### [CCD camera]

The maximum acceptance angle : 24° (corresponded to hp 11 nm at 280 eV)

The focal point is located 2.1 m upstream of this system.



# Measured DSA samples (1)

#### Three polymers in triblock polymer

Triblock polymer consisting of polyisoprene, polystyrene, poly (2-vinylpyridine)



#### The soft x-ray absorption spectroscopy



Powerful tool for evaluating the change of the chemical bonding

# **Results and Discussion**



XAS results of the three polymers

P-P 284.0 eV 285.6 eV 285.6 eV 288.6 eV

In the RSoXS measurement, it is possible to distinguish the polymer types by changing the probe photon energy.

284.0 eV : P polymer had slightly small absorption.  $\rightarrow$  Only P-P scattering

285.6 eV : Three polymers had different absorption.  $\rightarrow$  Both I-I and P-P scatterings

288.6 eV : S polymer and P polymer had approximately same absorption.  $\rightarrow$  Only I-I scattering

# **Results and Discussion**

# Hexagonal packed cylinder

(a) 280.0 eV (b) 284.0 eV  $d_{horizontal} = 49 \text{ nm}$  $t_{ioal} = 39 \text{ nm}$ (d) 288.6 eV (c) 285.6 eV  $\sqrt{3}d$  $\sqrt{3}$ d (e) 300.0 eV EM Imag Two scattering signals with the ring-shape were recorded.

Ellipse shape (not circle shape)

 $\rightarrow$  The sample is streched along the horizontal direction.

#### Ring-shape

 $\rightarrow$  The domain size of this polymer is sufficiently smaller than the beam diameter of 100  $\mu m.$ 

• The outer ring signals  $\rightarrow$  were observed at <u>280.0</u>, <u>284.0</u>, <u>285.6</u> eV. (a) (b) (c)

(C)

- The inner ring signals
- $\rightarrow$  were observed at <u>285.6</u>, <u>288.6</u> eV.

Scattering measurement results of hexagonal packed ISP triblock polymer

(c)285.6 eV :  $\pi^*$  bonding of benzyl group

(d)

# RSoXS method



The scattering vector *q* can be calculated from the scattering intensity distribution obtained by CCD.

Scattering vector

$$q=\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}sin(\frac{\theta}{2})$$

 $\lambda$  = wavelength  $\vartheta$  = scattering angle

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# TEM Image of the Hydrogen Damage (Blister) of the Mo/Si Multilayer Film Surface



RAJM van den Bos et al., Proc. J. Phys. D, 50,4(2017)

# Table Comparison of the typical exposure condition between the HVM exposure tool and new $H_2$ exposure system.

	The EUV expose tool	New H <sub>2</sub> exp system
H <sub>2</sub> pressure	5 Pa	5 Pa
EUV power on the mask	5 W/cm <sup>2</sup>	2.8 W/cm <sup>2</sup>
EUV source power	250 W/cm <sup>2</sup>	140 W/cm <sup>2</sup>

Luigi Scaccabarozzi et al., Proc. SPIE 8679, 867904 (2013)

#### H<sub>2</sub> Exposure Chamber



Direct beam photodiode and beam stop cylinder for reflected beam



Photodiode for reflected beam measurement

Beam size H × V =  $1.8 \times 0.6 \text{ mm}^2$ 





Perspective of the H<sub>2</sub>exp chamber

# Reflectometry Measurement Result during EUV Irradiation of the Mo/Si Multilayer



#### **EUV Reflectance Distribution along Horizontal Direction**



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#### **Development of an EUV and OoB Reflectometer**



Deviation angle 150°(10~80 nm) Deviation angle 120°(40~200 nm )









- Black border(**BB**) does not reflect EUV at overlapped.
- BB is required at edge position of image field<sup>1)</sup>.
- In addition, BB should not reflect OoB<sup>2)</sup>.

# **Multilayer and Absorber Reflectance**



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#### The Outline of NEDO Project @EIDEC



Measurement technology verification by single nano-patterning material (resist)

1) Observation of resist dissolution process (High-speed AFM: HS-AFM)

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#### Experiment method





#### Resist material / process



EUV metal resist materials were developed for fundamental research.
Unexposed, this material is soluble in developer (negative tone).

# Developer dependence of metal resist dissolution behavior





Using the alternate developer, resist residue can be reduced.



#### Dissolution and pattern formation process of siliconbased resist material Developer: 2.38wt% TMAH



- The dissolution behavior of the new silicon resist material (negative type) is also made possible.
- It has been confirmed for the first time that the unexposed area (soluble area) of the space dissolves from the surface so that particles can be removed completely.



Measurement technology verification by single nano patterning material (resist)

1) Observation of resist dissolution process (High-speed AFM: HS-AFM)

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#### Reaction analysis and simulation of metal resist



Establishment of development parameter derivation method using GCIB TOF-SIMS

# Metal resist simulation (1)



Development parameter

- R<sub>max</sub>=128.7(nm/s)
- R<sub>min</sub>=0.01(nm/s)
- M<sub>th</sub>=0.001
- n=12.43

We established a lithography simulation of metal resist based on development parameters based on reaction analysis.

It has made it possible to make a phase-out of exposure results and simulation results.

## Metal resist simulation (2)



Furthermore, simulations were performed on the assumption of a 0.55 fullfield scanner (ASML, Inc.) for next-generation EUV lithography. The optimum dissolution contrast was also found to improve the lithography performance by optimization with n = 12.4 to 5.5 (limit resolution: 13 nm  $\rightarrow$  12 nm L / S).

## Silicon containing resist simulation (1)



Development parameter

- Rmax=1.85(nm/s)
- Rmin=0.022(nm/s)
- Mth=0.00135
- n=5.50

It has become possible to simulate even silicon-based resist (negative type).

#### Silicon containing resist simulation (2)



Furthermore, simulation was performed assuming a 0.55 full-field scanner (ASML) of the next-generation EUV lithography, and optimization of n was found to improve the lithography performance (limit resolution: 12 nm @ n =  $5.5 \rightarrow 10$  nm L / S @ n = 2.0).

# Next-generation resist outgas measurement technology development

1) Outgas measurement result of metal resist

2) Issues and countermeasures for metalbased resist outgas measurement

#### Resist outgassing method and measuring equipment



#### **EUV-based outgas tester** High Power EUV irradiation tool (HPEUV)



 Achieves 250W equivalent EUV intensity during mass production on the wafer surface

· Hydrogen introduced into the experimental chamber as well as the EUV exposure system

Construct an outgas evaluation environment compatible with metal resists

#### **EB-based outgas tester EUVOM-9000**



· Electron beam irradiation system outgas evaluation system Active in outgassing of chemically

**Courtesy of EIDEC** 

# Outgassing evaluation results of metal-based model materials by HPEUV



Pie 35000 35000 25000 20000 510 500 490 480 470 Binding Energy (eV)







 $\Box$ 







• Metal contamination is detected from Zn regardless of the presence of hydrogen atmosphere

 $\cdot$  Metal contamination is detected from SnO<sub>2</sub> only under hydrogen atmosphere

For the first time, we have confirmed the occurrence of outgassing and contamination that only occurs under the hydrogen atmosphere typical of metalbased resists.



Courtesy of EIDEC

# Evaluation result of $SnO_2$ by electron beam + hydrogen radical irradiation method



 The first confirmation of outgassing of metal hydride (SnH<sub>4</sub>) by electron beam + hydrogen radical irradiation method

Confirm the effectiveness of the same method in outgas measurement technology of metal resist

Courtesy of EIDEC

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## Difficult Challenges 2019 Draft V2

Next Generation Technology	First Possible Use in Mfg.	22Feature Type	Device Type	Key Challenges	Required Date for Decision making
EUV Single Patterning	2018	22 to 24 nm hp CH/Cut Levels back end metals at 18nm hp LS	"7nm" Logic Node	-Pellicle -Actinic mask patterned mask inspection -Resist speed combined with LER and Stochastics -shot noise	Product Evaluation Completed
EUV Double Patterning	2022	12nm hp LS	"3nm" Logic Node	-Tolerance, EPE, and Overlay	2021
EUV high NA	2025	10.5nm hp LS	"2.1nm" Logic Node	-Stitching of two mask patterns -Shot noise	2024
EUV new wavelength	2028 ?	8nm hp LS ?	"1.5nm" Logic Node	-EUV source power -Resist material -Actinic blank and patterned mask inspection	2030
NanoImprint	2019	20 nm lines and spaces 20 to 30nm contact holes	3D Flash Memory	-Defectivity -Overlay -Master Template fabrication and inspection <20nm -Defect repair -Mass-production capacity	Product Evaluation Completed
DSA (for pitch multiplication)	2022	Contact hokes/cut levels for logic. Possibly nanowire patterning <i>Work in Progress:</i>	"3nm" Logic Node Not for Distribution	-Pattern Placement -Defectivity and defect inspection -Design -3D Metrology	<b>2021</b> 51

# Challenges for Beyond EUVL in shortening wavelength) ( $\lambda$ = 13.5 nm $\rightarrow$ 6.75 nm)

#### 1) Imaging

**\Box** Flare level scales  $\propto 1/\lambda^2$ 

**□** Bandwidth of a single mirror  $\Delta\lambda/\lambda$ (Mo/Si)=4%  $\rightarrow \Delta\lambda/\lambda$ (La/B4C)<1%

**□** Bandwidth of the optical column  $\Delta\lambda/\lambda$ (Mo/Si)=2%  $\rightarrow \Delta\lambda/\lambda$ (La/B4C)=0.6%

#### 2) Multilayer for masks and optics

**D** Smaller layer thickness  $\propto \lambda$ 

**D** Requirements to interlayer diffusion  $\propto \lambda$ 

Larger number of bi-layers per multilayer to increase the reflectivity.

#### 3) Source

New fuel is needed in LPP.

EUV FEL is necessary.

#### 4) Resist

□ Resist sensitivity becomes 5-7 times lower

Quantum efficiency of current EUV resist will decrease due to lower absorption of 6.7nm(186eV) photons vs 13.5nm(92eV) photons

Potential shot noise increases

#### Mid-spatial frequency (MSFR) and flare level

Flare reduces contrast and increases LWR

MSFR is linked to surface roughness

Flare scales with wavelength as 1/λ<sup>2</sup> 13.5nm ==> 6.x nm flare increases 4x at the same MSFR

MSFR (nm)	Flare (%) @λ=13.5nm	Flare (%) @λ=6.7nm
0.2	16	65
0.14	8	32
0.12	6	23
0.1	4	16
0.05	1	4

# Next Generation EUVL Optics for 6.X nm

 Achieved the highest measured reflectivity to date, actively developing multilayers to their theoretical limit ~ 70%







Courtesy of Rigaku

# FEL for EUV Light Source Short term risk profile comparison



Massive practical experience with single pass X-FEL, large pool of experts and trained personnel

Smaller injected/recirculated current

Untested physics of high efficiency short wavelength FEL Higher RF and beam dump costs

Modular design, enables future upgrades, also testing can be done in existing facilities



Untested physics of short wavelength ERL FEL

Very elegant solution to reducing the RF power and beam dump costs

Very few operating ERL facilities worldwide

Leveraged on Jlab design and 10 kW IR ERL FEL (2001)

Closed system, has to be developed and tested in its entirety

High injected/recirculated current, machine protection is an issue

Numerical tools require validation

## Recent study about the power and spectrum at BEUV



# BEUV

1) Lithography for 6.x nm wavelength has a potential to extend EUVL beyond 10 nm node

2) ML coatings

• Potential of for high reflectivity (up to 80%) for LaB<sub>4</sub>C

- Currently demonstrated reflectivity is 44% thus better interlayer diffusion control is required
- 3) EUV source
  - Two types potential source fuels are investigated: Tb and Gd
  - Considering resist sensitivity, EUV-FEL is necessary.
- 4) Optimization of EUV source spectrum with ML optics is required
- 5) Transmission of gases and contaminants for 6.x is significantly (up to
  - 5x) better than for 13.5 nm

6) 6.x EUVL has a potential for a throughput comparable with 13.5 nm lithography at higher resolution

# Summary

1. Semiconductor market was up 13.7% in 2018 to B\$468.8.

- 2. The wavelength of 13.5 nm own to Mo/Si multilayer materials.
- 3. The early stage of X-ray projection lithography (present EUV lithography) is introduced.
- 4. The Resonant soft X-ray scattering method is very powerful method to evaluate the origin of resist stochastic and layer analysis in an EUV resist film.
- 5. The capability of beyond EUVL (BEUVL) is discussed.

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