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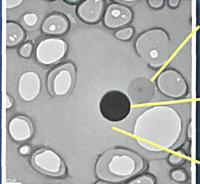




1min exposure before cleaning (1um high contamination cone)

10min exposure after 30sec cleaning

Si sample showing cleaning efficiency. Test: Contaminate sample (1 drop of oil in 50 ml acetone); 1. Expose 1 min; 2. Clean 30 – 60 sec ;3. Expose 10 min.



Holey Carbon Film Sample contaminated with 1 drop o

oil in 50 ml acetone

20 sec exposure before cleaning

1 min exposure before cleaning

10 min exposure

after 30 sec H2/O2 clean



A NEW GENERATION PLASMA SYSTEM

INTERACTIVE TOUCHSCREEN OPERATION

FASTER CYCLE TIMES AND CLEANING RATES

FULL CONTROL OF ALL PROCESS PARAMETERS

- TIME •
- POWER (10W 50W)
 - GAS MIX •

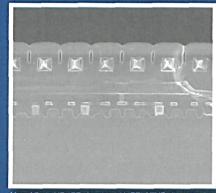
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- HYDROGEN
 - OXYGEN •
 - ARGON •

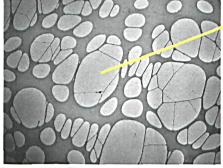
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TOP LOADING CHAMBER PORT

SPEED - EFFICIENCY - REPEATABILITY



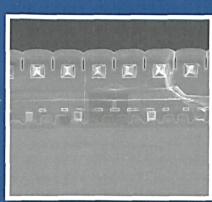
After 10min H2/02 cleaning with SOLARUS all contamination removed with no apparent Si damage.



Lacey Carbon "Hole" (6 months old off the shelf).



SOLARUS: No changes after 100sec. H2/02 cleaning. Competition: Lacey structure was completely destroyed in less than 30 sec.

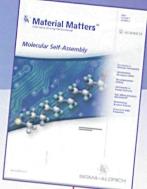


Contaminated semiconductor sample showing scan window.

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