

AZ ECI 3012 Photoresist

Universal i-Line/Crossover
Photoresist

GENERAL INFORMATION

AZ ECI 3012 photoresist is a fast positive resist with high resolution capabilities (0.4 µm CDs in production in i-line) enabling wide process latitudes. It is suited for i-line as well as broadband exposure covering g-, h- and i-line illumination wavelengths. It is designed to have superior implant and dry etch resistance. Further characterization highlights show strong wet etch adhesion and good thermal stability. This resist is specifically tailored for universal application and excellent cost of ownership.

RECOMMENDED PROCESS

Softbake:	90°C, 60 sec (contact) - 90 sec (proximity)
Exposure:	i- & g-line stepper or broadband exposure
Post Exposure Bake (PEB):	110°C, 60 sec (contact) - 90 sec (proximity)
Development:	60 sec, puddle, AZ® 300 MIF Developer (non surfactated) or AZ® 726 MIF Developer (surfactated)

SUITABLE ANCILLARIES

AZ Aquatar® top anti-reflective coating
AZ BARLi® II bottom anti-reflective coating
AZ EBR 70/30 edge bead remover
AZ 100 Remover or AZ KWIKSTRIP

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CAUCHY COEFFICIENTS

	A	B	C
Unbleached	1.6018	0.0098963 μm^2	0.00068636 μm^4
	1.6018	$9.8963 \times 10^5 \text{ \AA}^2$	$6.8636 \times 10^{12} \text{ \AA}^4$
Bleached	1.5952	0.0084508 μm^2	0.0006556 μm^4
	1.5952	$8.4508 \times 10^5 \text{ \AA}^2$	$6.556 \times 10^{12} \text{ \AA}^4$

REFRACTIVE INDEX

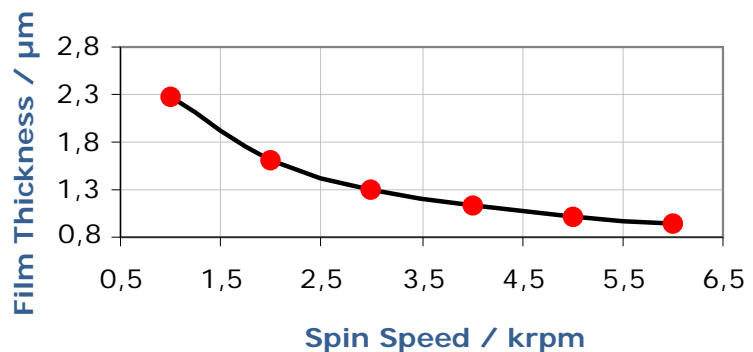
		365 nm	405 nm	435 nm	633 nm
Unbleached	n	1.7014	1.6803	1.6826	1.6308
	K	0.0202	0.0244	0.0166	0
Bleached	n	1.6913	1.6670	1.6530	1.6204
	K	0.0017	0.0010	0	0.0001

DILL PARAMETERS

	A	B	C
i-line	0.64 μm^{-1}	0.075 μm^{-1}	0.0159 cm^2/mJ
h-line	0.76 μm^{-1}	0.035 μm^{-1}	0.0244 cm^2/mJ
g-line	0.45 μm^{-1}	0.036 μm^{-1}	0.0152 cm^2/mJ

SPIN CURVE

Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity
 Wafer size: 6" (150 mm)
 dynamic dispense



FILM THICKNESS

	2000 rpm	3000 rpm	4000 rpm	5000 rpm
	1.61 μm	1.31 μm	1.13 μm	1.02 μm
STD DEV	1.2 nm	0.8 nm	0.5 nm	1.1 nm

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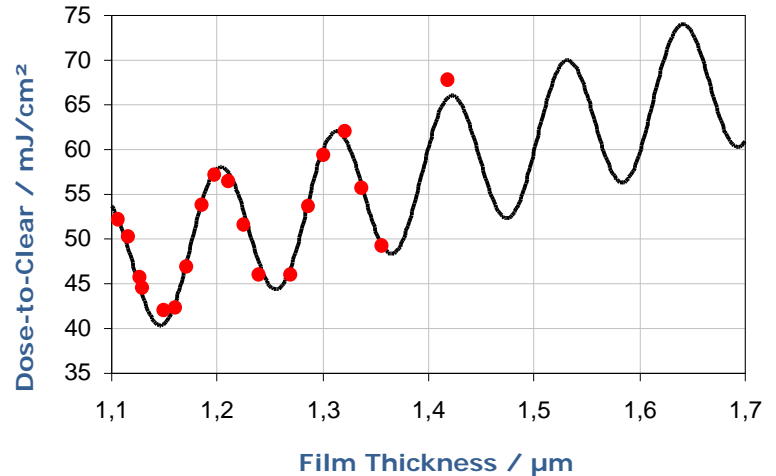
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i-LINE THIN FILM INTERFERENCE (on bare silicon)

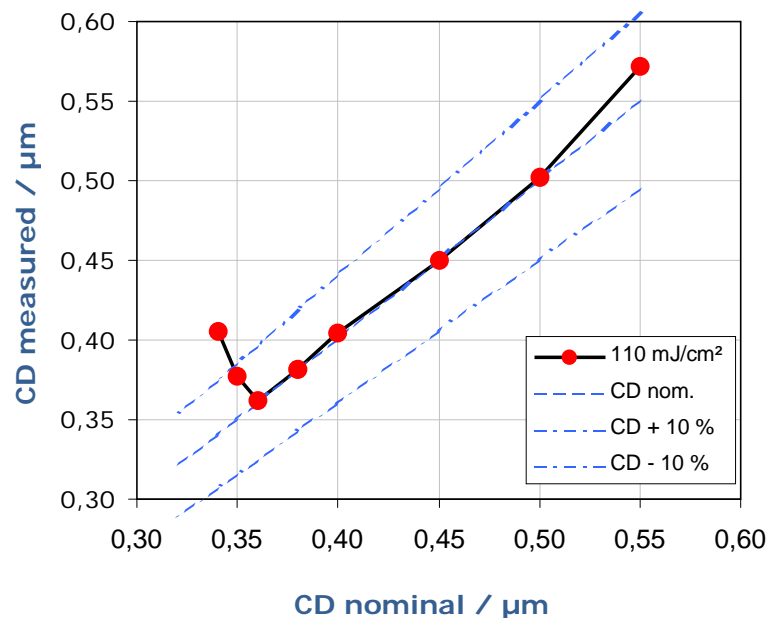
Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity
Exposure: Nikon NSR-1755i7B
i-line stepper
0.54 NA, 0.6 s
PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity
Development: 60 sec, puddle, 23°C
AZ 300 MIF Developer



LINEARITY

(dense lines on bare silicon)

Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity
Film Thickness: 1.2 µm, Emax
Exposure: Nikon NSR-1755i7B
i-line stepper
0.54 NA, 0.6 s
PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity
Development: 60 sec, puddle, 23°C
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Measurement: Hitachi S-8840 CD SEM



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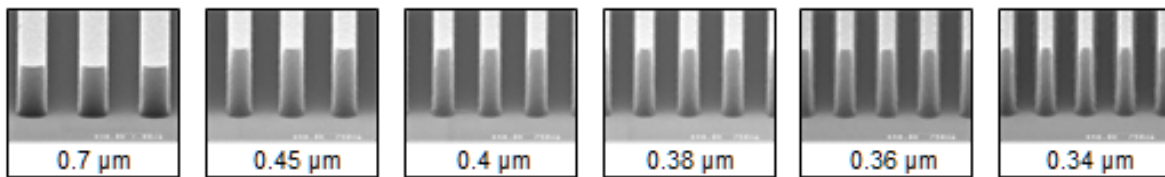
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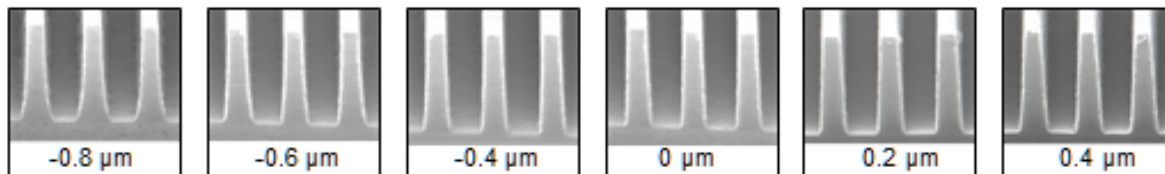
PROCESS on bare silicon substrate

Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity // 1.2 µm film thickness // Exposure: Nikon NSR-1755i7B i-line stepper, 0.54 NA, 0.6 s // PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity // Development: 60 sec, puddle, AZ[®] 300 MIF Developer @ 23°C

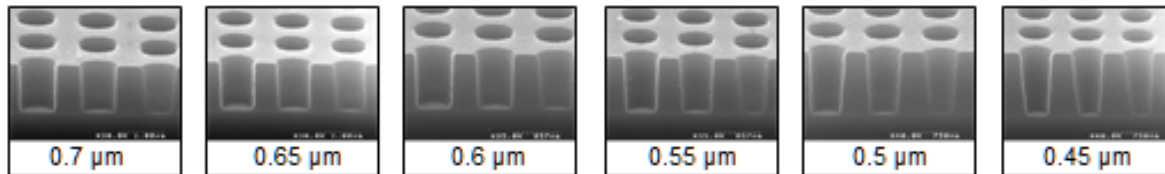
LINEARITY dense lines, 110 mJ/cm²



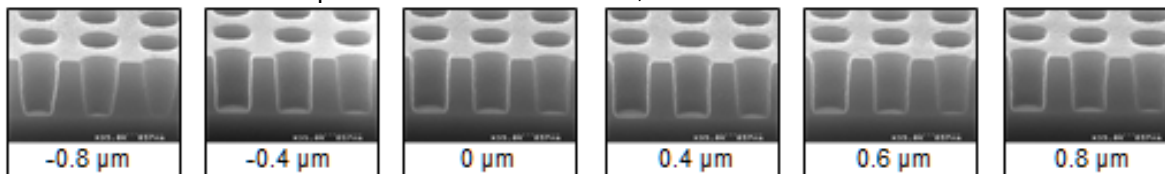
FOCUS LATITUDE 0.4 µm dense lines, 110 mJ/cm²



LINEARITY dense contact holes, 136 mJ/cm²



FOCUS LATITUDE 0.6 µm dense contact holes, 136 mJ/cm²



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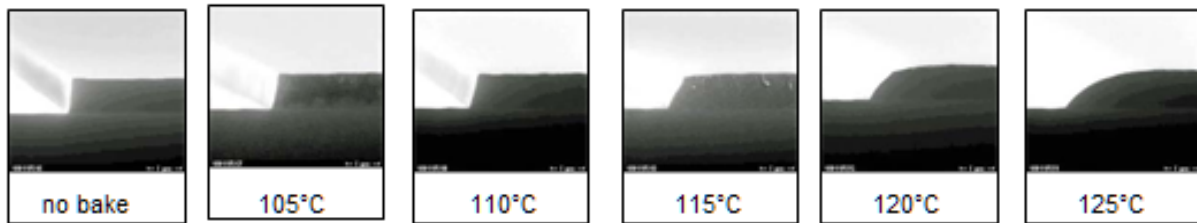
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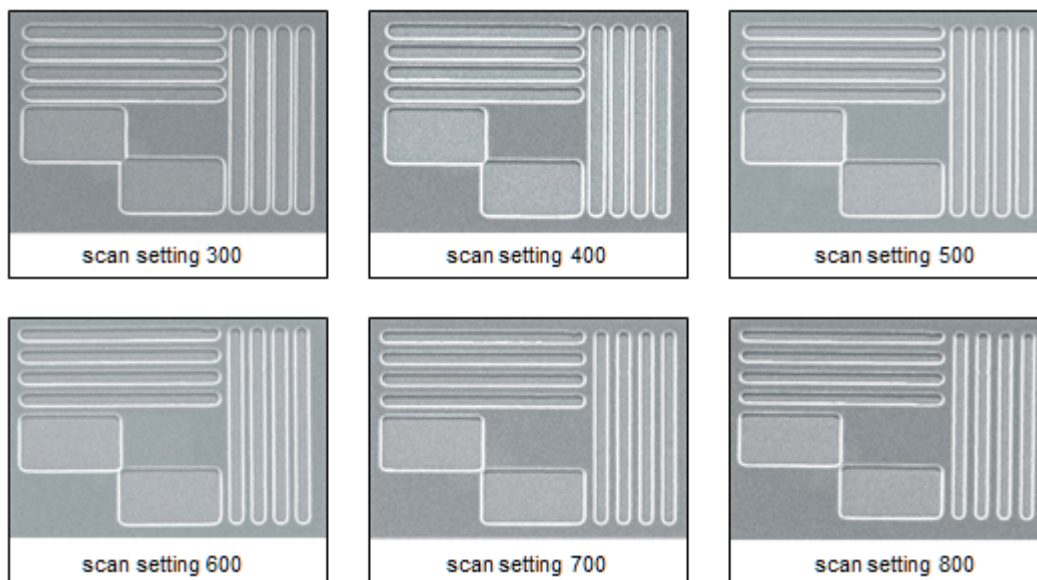
THERMAL STABILITY 100 μm edge, 1.2 μm film thickness, contact hardbake 60 sec at temperature

Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity // Exposure: Nikon NSR-1755i7B i-line stepper, 0.54 NA, 0.6 s // PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity // Development: 60 sec, puddle, AZ® 300 MIF Developer @ 23°C



BROADBAND EXPOSURE LATITUDE 3 μm lines, 1.2 μm film thickness

Softbake: 90°C, 60 sec, contact // Exposure: Perkin Elmer 340 Series Projection Mask Aligner, Aperture: 1, Slit Width: 1 mm // PEB: 110°C, 60 sec contact // Development: 60 sec, puddle, AZ® 300 MIF Developer @ 23°C



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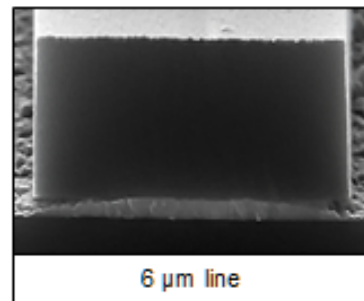
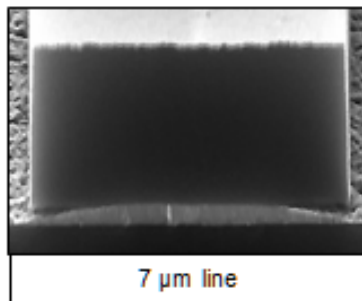
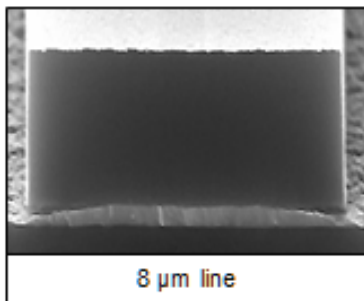
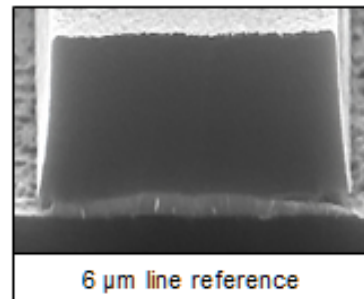
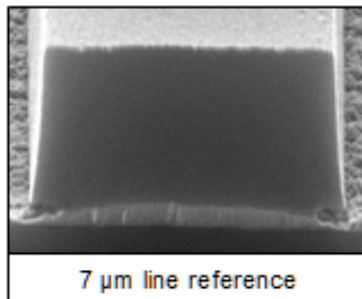
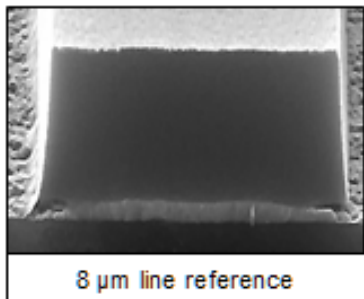
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ADHESION ON ITO

Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity // 1.7 µm film thickness // Exposure: Nikon NSR-1755i7B i-line stepper, 0.54 NA, 0.6 s // PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity // Development: 60 sec, puddle, AZ® 300 MIF Developer @ 23°C // ITO etching: etch time (70 sec) immersion in FeCl₃/HCl at 45°C, ITO thickness: 200 nm

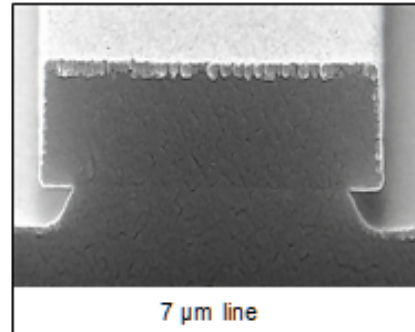
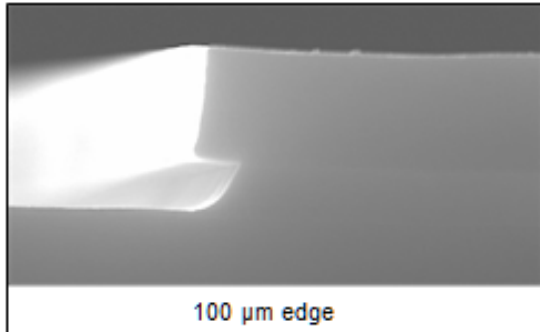
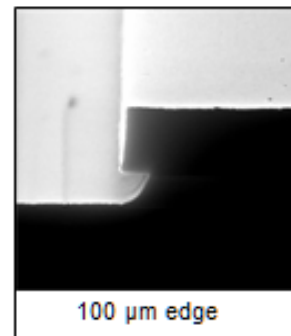
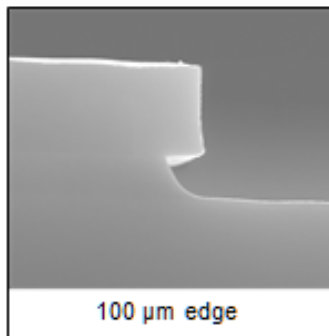
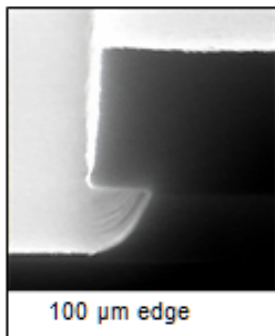


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ADHESION ON THERMAL OXIDE

Thermal oxide thickness: 690 nm // Primer HMDS, vacuum 30 min // Resist thickness: 1.33 μm on 2" wafer // Softbake: 90°C, 60 sec, contact // Exposure: Suss MA 56 // PEB: 110°C, 60 sec, contact // Development: 60 sec, immersion, AZ[®] 300 MIF Developer @ 23°C // Oxide etch solution: Merck AF 87.5-12.5 @ 22°C // oxide etch time: 6 min // Remaining oxide thickness after etch: 75 nm



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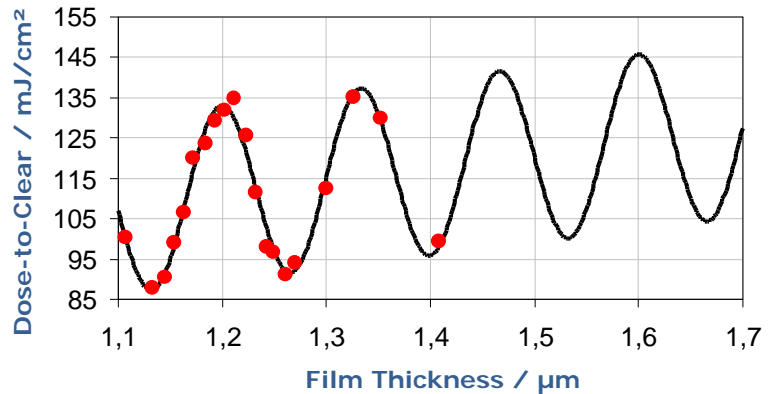
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g-LINE THIN FILM INTERFERENCE (on bare silicon)

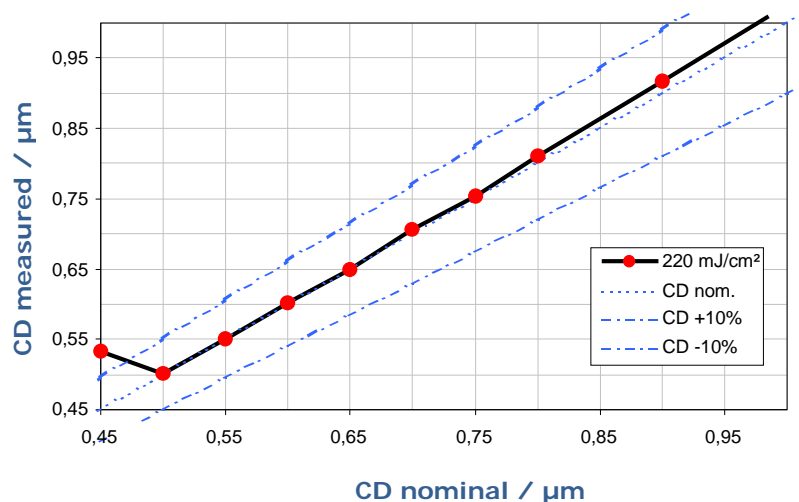
Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity
Exposure: Nikon NSR-1505G7E
g-line stepper
0.54 NA, 0.5 s
PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity
Development: 60 sec, puddle, 23°C
AZ 300 MIF Developer



LINEARITY

(dense lines on bare silicon)

Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity
Film Thickness: 1.2 µm, Emax
Exposure: Nikon NSR- 1505G7E
g-line stepper
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PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity
Development: 60 sec, puddle, 23°C
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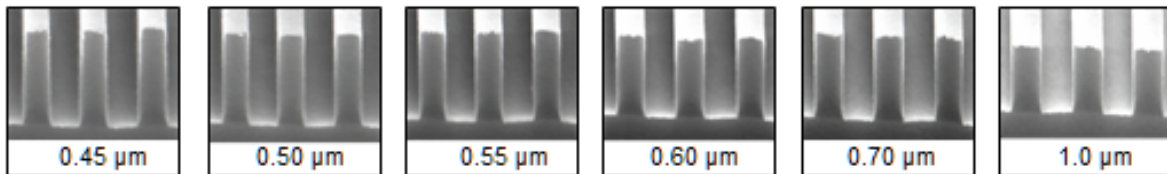
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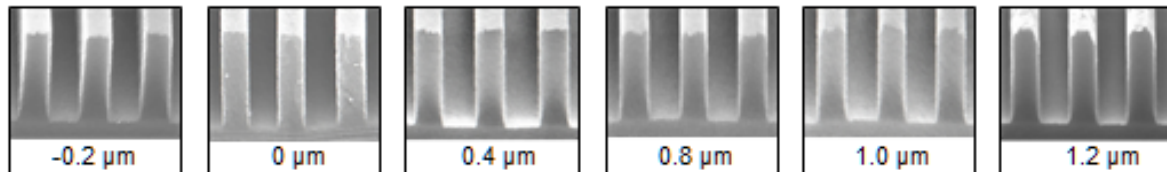
PROCESS on bare silicon substrate

Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity // 1.2 µm film thickness // Exposure: Nikon NSR-1505G7E g-line stepper, 0.54 NA, 0.5 s // PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity // Development: 60 sec, puddle, AZ® 300 MIF Developer @ 23°C

LINEARITY dense lines, 220 mJ/cm²



FOCUS LATITUDE 0.5 µm dense lines, 220 mJ/cm²



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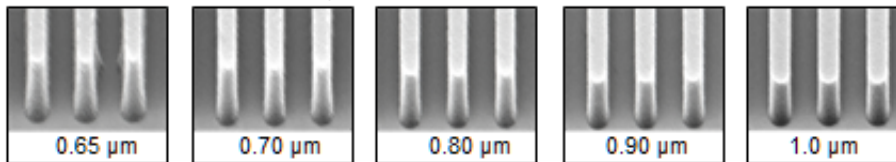
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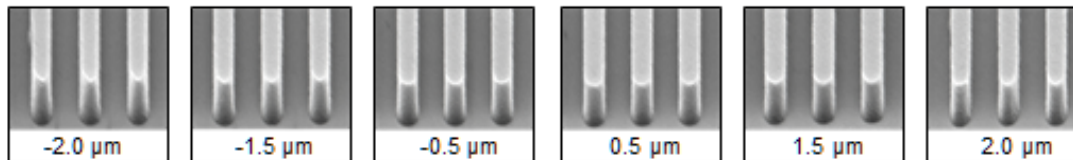
ULTRATECH 1500 PERFORMANCE on bare silicon substrate

Softbake: 90°C, 90 sec, proximity // 1.2 µm film thickness // Exposure: Ultratech 1500 1X stepper // PEB: 110°C, 90 sec, proximity // Development: 60 sec, puddle, AZ® 300 MIF Developer @ 23°C

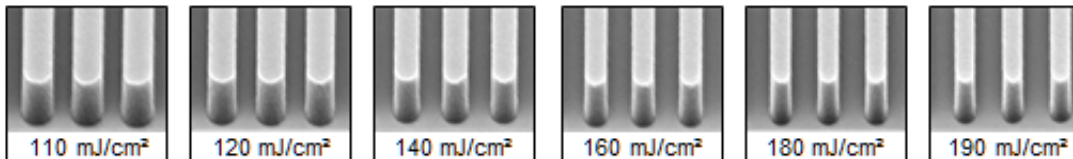
LINEARITY dense lines, 180 mJ/cm²



FOCUS LATITUDE 1.0 µm dense lines, 180 mJ/cm²



EXPOSURE LATITUDE 1.0 µm dense lines



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