

CMPUG Spring Virtual Meeting April 22, 2021: Advances in CMP Consumables, Materials and Tools



Effective Slurry Concentration Monitoring Using Refractive Index with In Situ Window Cleaning

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Agenda



Refractive Index Overview

InVue® GV148 Overview and Features

Performance Testing in Slurry

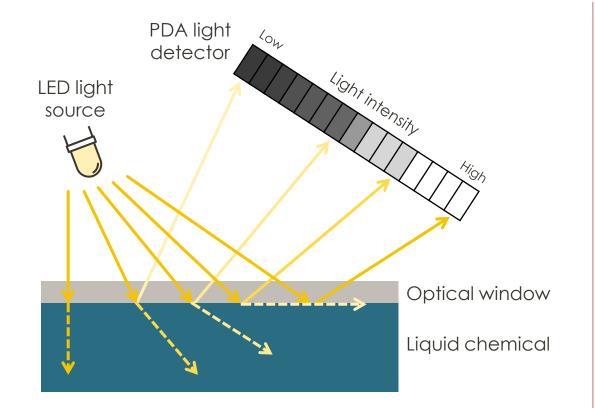
Slurry Baseline Testing with Automated In Situ Window Cleaner

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Refractive Index Overview: How it Works





Light reflects off window/liquid interface into the PDA

Angle of reflection determined by refractive index ratio between liquid and window

Entegris algorithm measures small changes in reflected light intensity

Reflection geometry and miniaturization enable unique concentration monitoring performance

Functions in turbid media (CMP slurry), as well as non-conductive fluids (H_2O_2)

Refractive index offers a robust measurement technology over various types of media

InVue[®] GV148 Liquid Concentration Monitor



Product Advantages

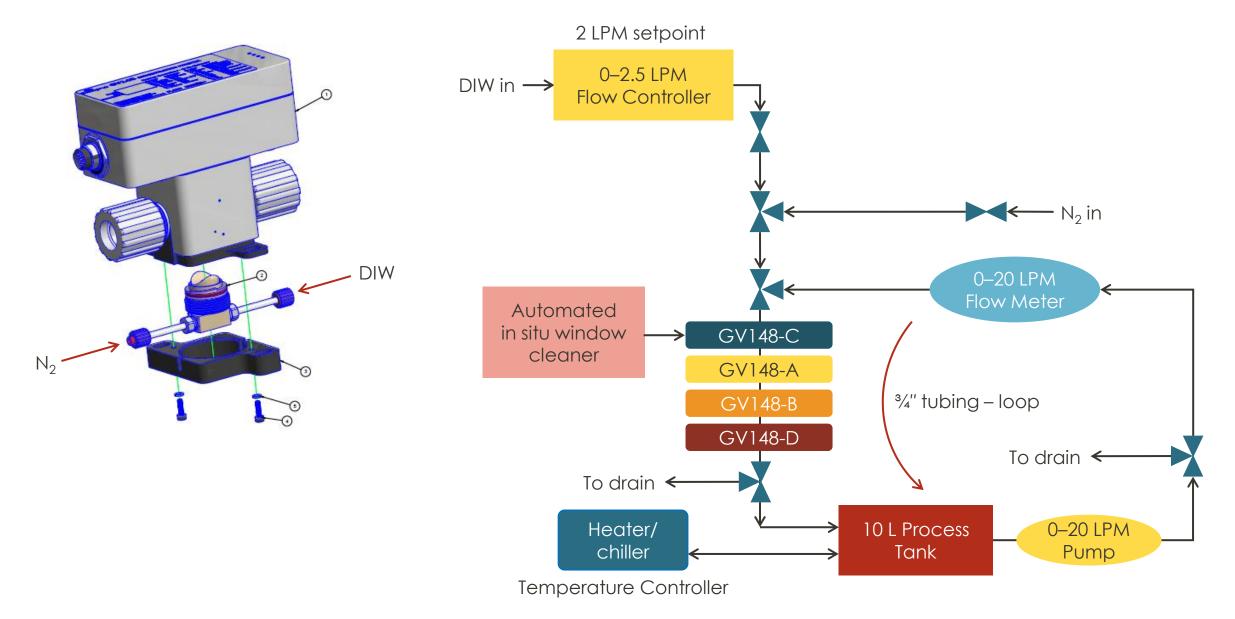
- Measurements based on Index of Refraction
- Ultrapure wetted surfaces of fluoropolymers and sapphire
- Small footprint with integral electronics
- Stable and proven Human Machine Interface (HMI)
- Multiple communications options
- No consumables
- Standard ambient light cancellation algorithm
- Window cleaning port
- Optional automated in situ window cleaning option

Real-time process monitoring in an integrated, compact package



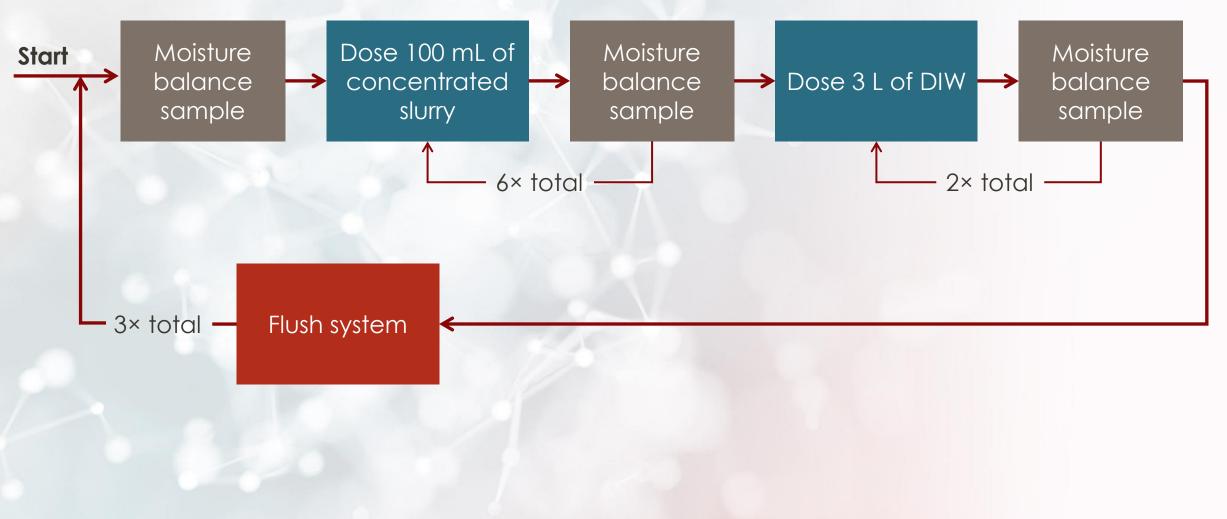
Setup (P&ID)





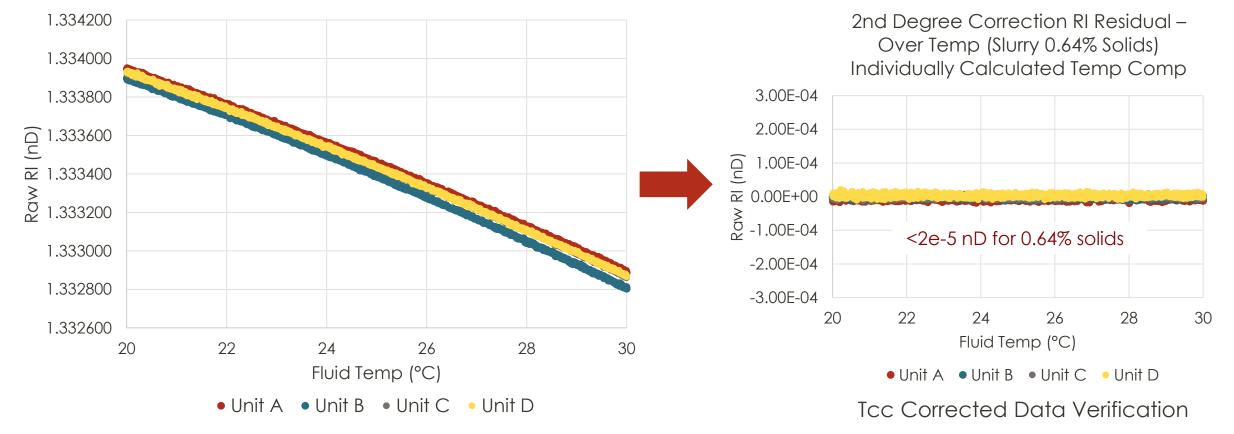
Process Flow





Temperature Compensation Raw RI vs. Temperature Curve

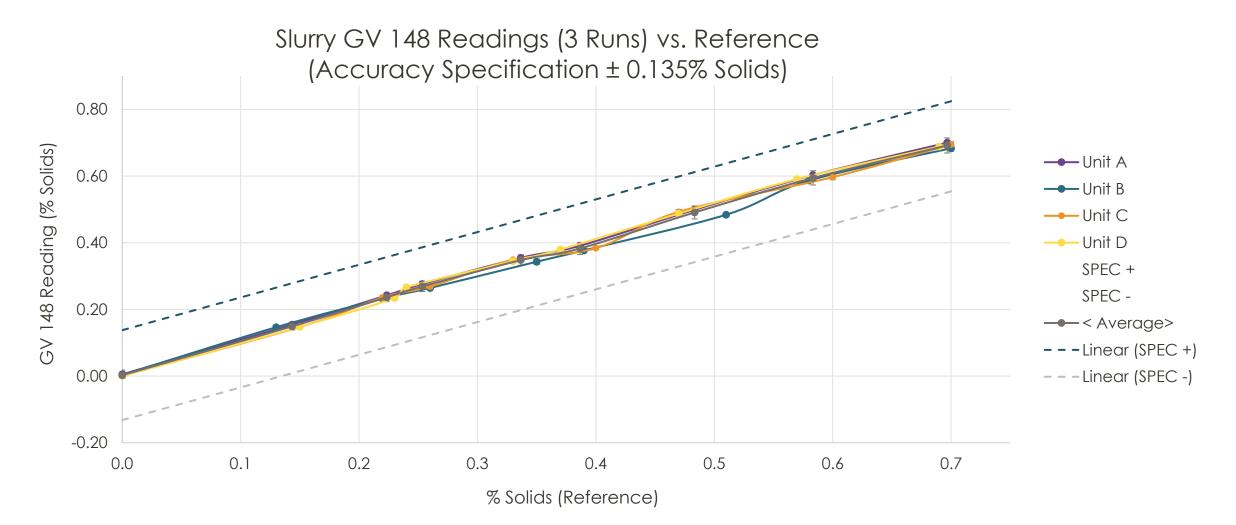
Raw RI vs. Temperature (Slurry 0.64% Solids) **Method:** Expose units to different concentration of slurry at varying temperatures to extract compensation coefficients (Tcc).



Entegris GV148 provides real time temperature compensation

Verification RI vs. Concentration

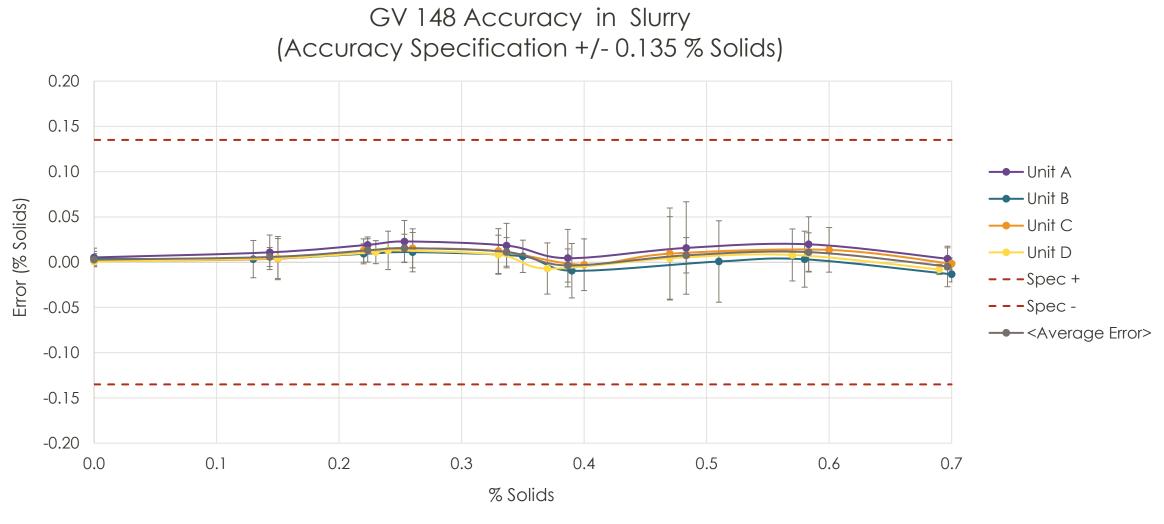




Entegris GV148 concentration measurements correlate well with moisture balance measurements

Accuracy: % Solids

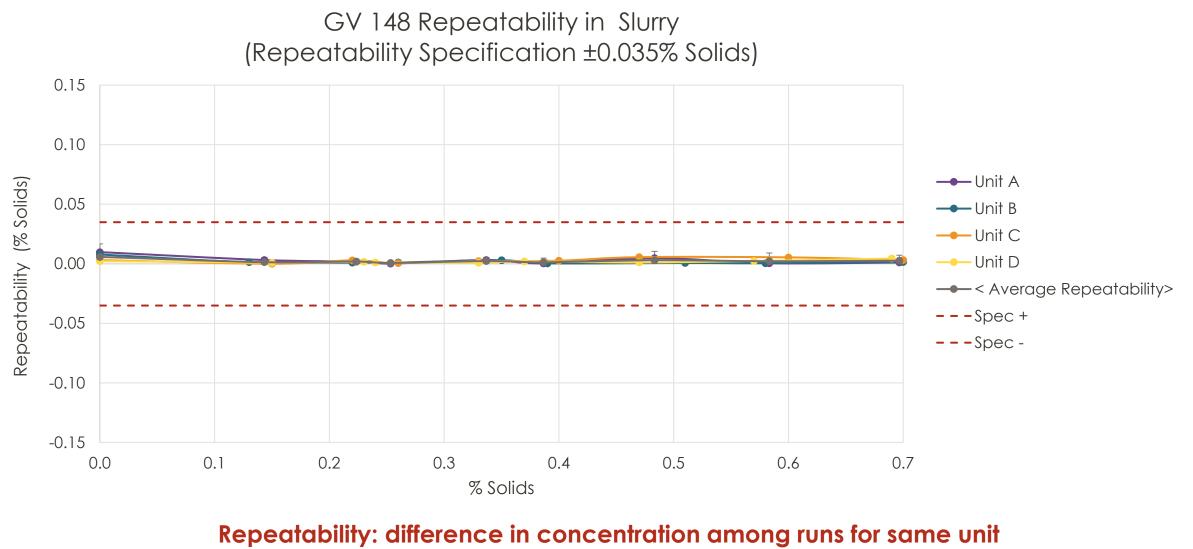




Accuracy: concentration measured by GV148 – reference concentration measured by moisture balance

Repeatability: % Solids

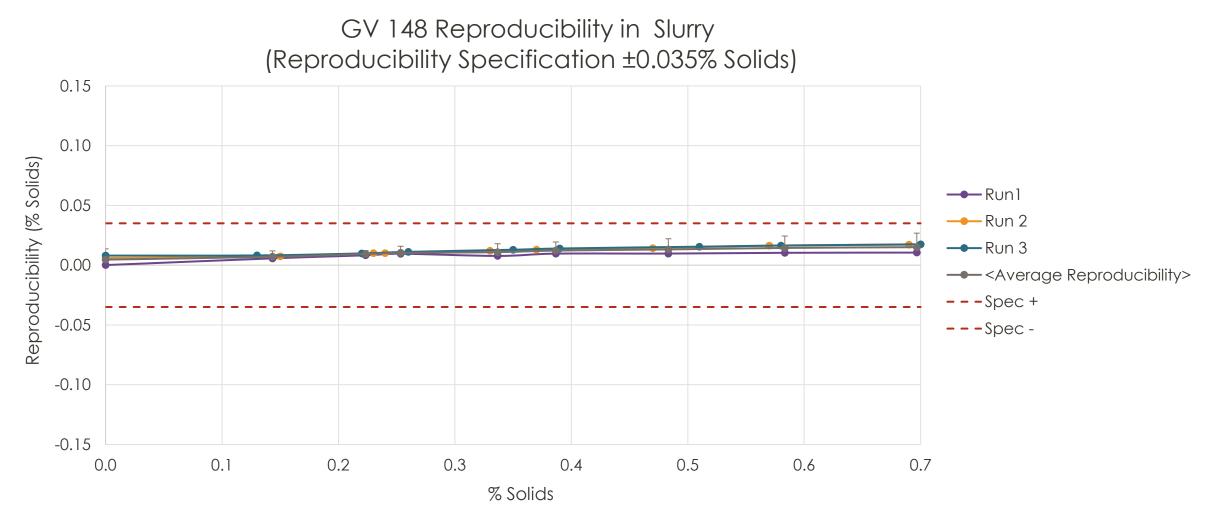




= (max – min concentration of 3 runs)

Reproducibility: % Solids





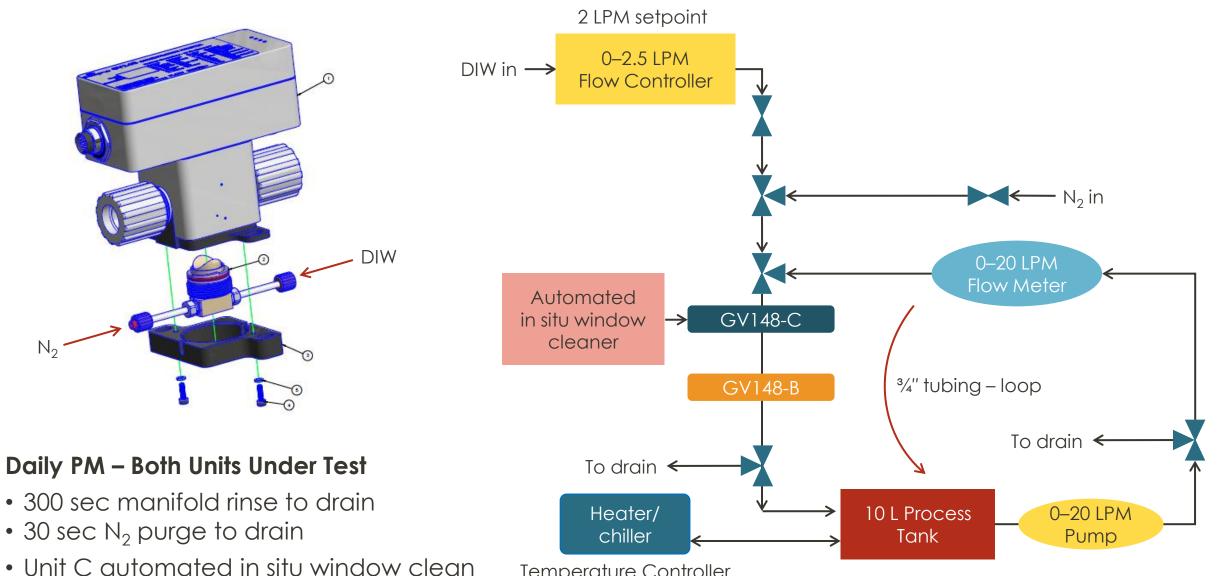
Reproducibility: unit to unit variation. Difference in concentration among units for same run = (max – min concentration of 4 units)

Slurry Baseline Testing



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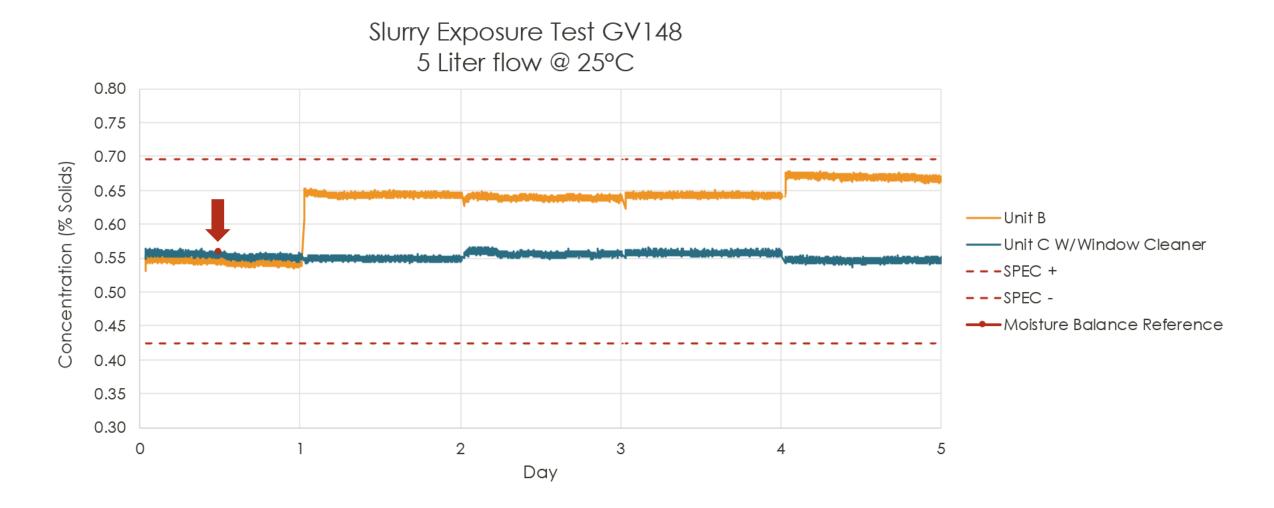




Temperature Controller

5-Day Slurry Exposure Test

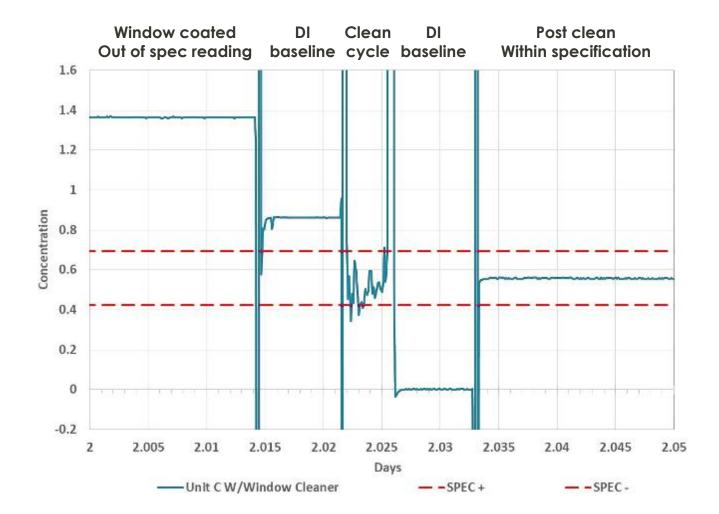




Periodic window cleaning prevents refractive index measurements from drifting out of specification

Slurry Exposure Test – Cleaning Cycle





Even significantly slurry-fouled IoR windows can be recovered via GV148 automated in situ window cleaner

Conclusions



Refractive index offers a robust measurement technology for CMP slurries and often required H_2O_2 additions

Entegris' GV148 provides real-time process monitoring in an integrated, compact package well suited for semiconductor CMP applications

GV148's automated in situ window cleaner provides a benign and aggressive means to remove slurry fouling films and return the monitor to the original established baselines.

Automated in situ window cleaning prevents the need for intrusive cleaning procedures, subsequent costly tool downtime and lengthy re-qualification procedures

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