ATMI AutoClean® Predictable Process. Extended Source Life.

The First and Only In-Situ Implanter Cleaning Process.



Agenda

- > Issues Impacting Implant Efficiency
- > ATMI AutoClean Demonstrated Benefits
- > System Features



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Beam Instability due to Glitching or Arcing



Glitch occurrence increases as the source ages



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Extended Recipe Set-Up Time due to Beam Instability



300mm Varian VIISta HC with IHC source

Beam non-uniformity requiring multiple recipe set-ups & potential / frequent manual intervention



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Undesired Personnel Exposure to Toxic Waste

Operator exposed 2-3 times per month, per implanter





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Field Data

Multiple Tool Types, Source Types, Device Types, Wafer Sizes



Baseline

AutoClean



Opportunity to Reduce PMs By 50%



>2X Increase in Source Life



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>30% Improvement in Beam Uniformity



32% improvement in beam uniformity on the wafer



>15% Reduction in Recipe Set-Up Time

Set-Up Time for Multiple Recipes





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>80% Reduction in Glitching



Major Logic Manufacturing Customer

300mm mixed logic production Varian VIISta HC with IHC source







With AutoClean Glitching Decreases As Source Ages



Data source: Implanter Source Life and Stability Improvement using In-Situ Chemical Cleaning Terry Romig, Michael Mitchell, Texas Instruments Inc, David Eldridge, Jim Mayer, ATMI



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>40% Reduction in PM Frequency Maintenance frequency is determined by source life

Without AutoClean

With AutoClean

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- Unscheduled maintenance now becomes scheduled maintenance.
- More predictable fab operations.
- Less personnel exposure.
- Increased implanter availability.



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150mm Applied Materials XR80 with IHC source

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Data Courtesy of Atmel





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Predictable Process. Extended Source Life. Source Stays Cleaner... Longer

270 hours without AutoClean



Photos courtesy of Atmel Mid-current source chamber at source PM

636 hours with AutoClean



In many cases only requiring a DI-H20 wipe



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\$61,728 - \$94,776 Savings Annually per Implanter



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AutoClean Process using XeF2

Engineered cleaning reagent first introduced by ATMI



Increased effectiveness

- Strong fluorinating agent → volatile fluorides of As, P, B, Si, W
- No need for plasma activation (NF₃ requires plasma activation)

Ease of Use

 Can use a simple, pressure-based, delivery system (SDS® gas stick)

Enhanced safety

- No need for dangerous high pressure gas
- Always sub-atmospheric for enhanced safety
- > High density fluorine source; likely the safest source of fluorine



XeF2 Solid Delivery System

Tailored delivery system developed by ATMI

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XeF₂ powder is distributed within the matrix of a porous aluminum material, ensuring good thermal contact and maximum solid surface area for vaporization.



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Process BKM's and Recipes Implementation Strategy

Running multiple species on same implanter requiring lengthy set-up or prep.

Implement AutoClean to replace Argon recipe between dopant changes. Short source life, high glitch-rate, or high consumable costs.

Implement AutoClean recipe to automatically run for 10-15 minutes every 8 hours. Unstable source performance due to process by-product accumulation or...?

Implement AutoClean "recovery" recipe to recover from source instability.

Multiple approaches to address variety of customer issues



Process BKM's and Recipes (Customer Examples)

> Implement AutoClean recipe to automatically run for 10-15 minutes every 12 hours.

Implement AutoClean "recovery" recipe to recover from source instability.

> Replace Argon recipe with AutoClean.



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Customer Specific Considerations

Situational Considerations

- Tool types in installed base
- Implant process types
- Manufacturing protocols
- Production Mix

Situational Response

- Flow of XeF2
- Duration of clean process
- Plasma intensity & source parameters
- Frequency of Clean



Customer Specific Applications Major 300mm Logic Customer

Needs

- > Improved PM cycles on IHC source (less frequent)
- > Improved Beam instability recovery
- High consumable costs throwing away costly 300mm parts because there is no way to clean up

Situation

- > 300mm mixed logic production
- > Varian VIISta HC with IHC source
- > 2 week PM schedule interrupted by early source failure (240 hours average)

Solution

> AutoClean 15 mins every 12 hours

Results / Proof

- >336 hour source life on 6 sources
- > 40% improvement
- PM schedule changed from 2 weeks to 3 weeks
- > Beam instability after 100 hours recovered and source run to 2 weeks
- > Customer noticed cleaner manipulator and bushing
- > Glitching (beam interruption) reduced 80%



Customer Specific Applications Major 300mm Memory Customer

Needs

- > Improved PM cycles on IHC & Bernas sources
- > Improved Beam instability recovery

Situation

- > 300mm memory production
- > Varian VIISta HC with IHC and Bernas sources
- > Average source life 240 hours

Solution

> Autoclean10-15 minutes every 8-12 hours

Results / Proof

- > 1st source (IHC) ran 450 hrs (average life without AutoClean 200 hrs)
- > AutoClean then moved to VIISta with Bernas source
 - > 1st source (Bernas) was glitching after 200 hrs.
 - > Source life extended to 248 hrs with 30 mins AutoClean conditioning recipe.
 - > 2nd source (Bernas) ran to 260 hours, well above average life (190 hrs).



Customer Specific Applications Atmel

Needs

- > Improved PM cycles on IHC source (less frequent)
- > Improved Beam instability recovery

Situation

- > 150mm simulated production
- > Applied XR80 HC with IHC source
- > Average source life was 165 hours

Solution

> AutoClean 15 minutes every 8 hours

Results / Proof

- > Source lifetimes with AutoClean were 250, 310 and 323 hours
- > 78% average improvement



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AutoClean Process Development

- 1) Dynamic clean ion source focused (currently released for customers)
- Static clean scheduled with PM; focus on source housing, extraction assembly, etc. (currently in field alpha testing, not released)
- Ex-situ stand alone process chamber for cleaning parts, validating capabilities and materials compatibilities

(currently in R&D use, exploring customer interest; not released)



Predictable Process. Extended Source Life. Cleaning of Bernas Source Alumina Insulators with XeF₂

Before AutoClean

After AutoClean





Predictable Process. Extended Source Life. Cleaning Bernas Source Repeller Plate With AutoClean





AMAT Extraction Manipulator Bellows



Pre-Clean

XeF2 Clean 1 Cycle

XeF2 Clean 4 Cycles

XeF₂ Material Compatibility Studies Viton, Vespel, Teflon

Conclusions:

Viton, Vespel and Teflon are inert with XeF_2 – no weight loss, visual surface degradation or RGA / IR reaction products were observed.

Teflon Sample



Before

After

Viton O-ring



Before

After





Customer Feedback Atmel

"Our initial testing demonstrated the outstanding cleaning properties of ATMI's AutoClean system."

"Regular periodic use of AutoClean for in-situ cleaning of the ion source resulted in a 40% - 50% increase in source life."

"It also improved fab predictability and productivity by eliminating ion source failures due to beam instability and high suppression leakage current."

"In addition, based on our initial data, our regular preventative maintenance activities will be easier and require less tool downtime as a result of using AutoClean."

Jim Dunn Implant Equipment Engineering Section Manager Atmel Colorado Springs, CO



Customer Feedback Major 300mm Logic Customer

"AutoClean operation resulted in consistent source performance with zero unscheduled downtime caused by early source failure"

In side-by-side testing, the AutoClean system experienced 25-30% fewer source changes than the standard system."

"Data shows clearly that the AutoClean process significantly reduced the glitch rate as the source ages, producing glitch rates at the end of source life that are comparable to new source performance."

"Enhanced Safety with reduction in personnel exposure to hazardous materials & process byproducts = parts were cleaner and required less scrubbing during PMs."

"Throughput modeling estimates approximately 2000 wafers per tool in increased wafer output."



Implant Platform Experience

> AMAT, XR80, Quantums X, 1-3

Axcelis, GSD E², Ultra, Optima MD
 Hi Energy tools – moving towards evaluations

> Japan - SEN, Nissin – initiating evaluations

> VSEA, VIISta's - 80, HCP, HCS, 810, 900, etc
> VSEA, E500/220, VIISion 80/200

Note: ion source types, both IHC and Bernas.



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- > 30% increase in Beam uniformity
- > 80% reduction in glitching
- > 40% reduction in PM frequency
- > Increased implanter availability
- > More predictable fab operations
- > Less personnel exposure
- > Unscheduled maintenance now becomes scheduled maintenance





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