



Scanner vs. Track
Don't forget about the materials!

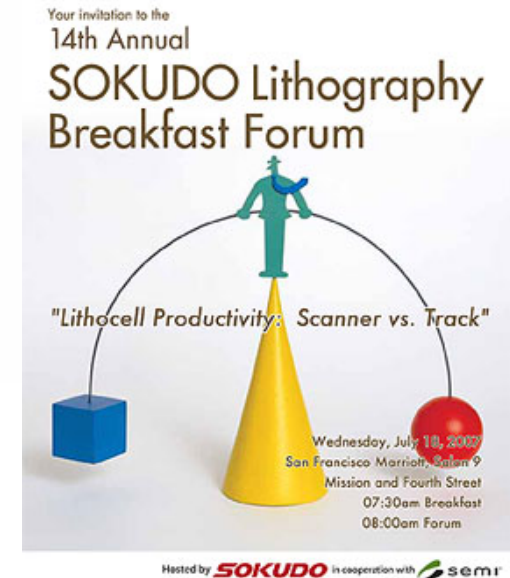
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The lithography battle

Scanner vs. Track

- Where do materials fit in the battle?
 - Who do we like better?
 - Materials are your friend!
- Other battles on the litho front
 - Topcoats vs. Non-topcoat immersion resists
- The Lithocell vs. Materials



Who do we like???

	Scanner	Track
<p>Positives</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher Numerical Aperture Improve aerial image 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bake plate uniformity Improved exhaust Dummy Dispense
<p>Negatives</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lots of rules..... scan speed requirements leaching specs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lots of rules..... drain line compatibilities outgassing shot size reduction



It's not just a one way street



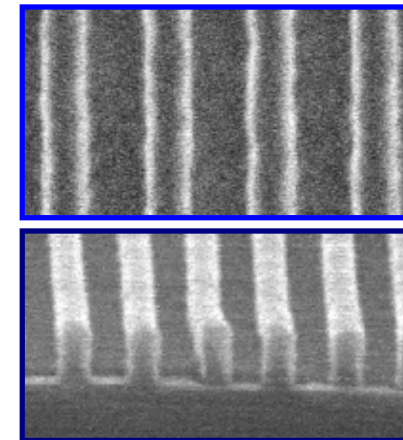
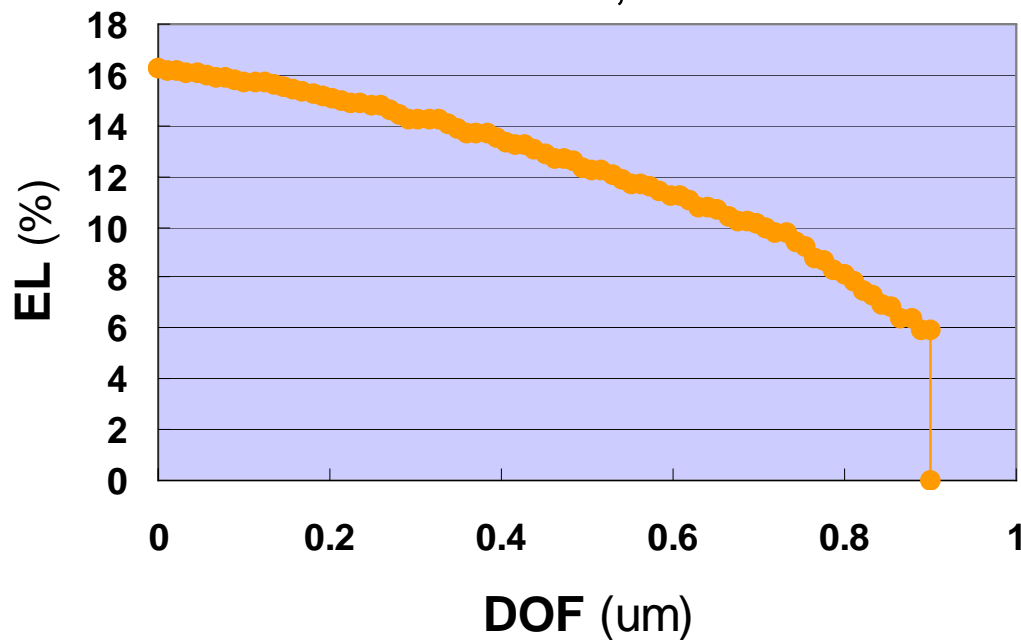
- We need to lean on each other:
 - **Scanner** → Aerial image
 - **Track** → Film thickness & bake plate uniformity
 - **Materials** → examples of how we carry our own weight
 - Advanced photoresists
 - TARCS
 - Topcoats
 - Others.....



Materials are your friend

	Scanner	Tracks
Advanced photoresists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large depth of focus & exposure latitude 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post exposure bake sensitivity

55nm 1:1, 1.0NA

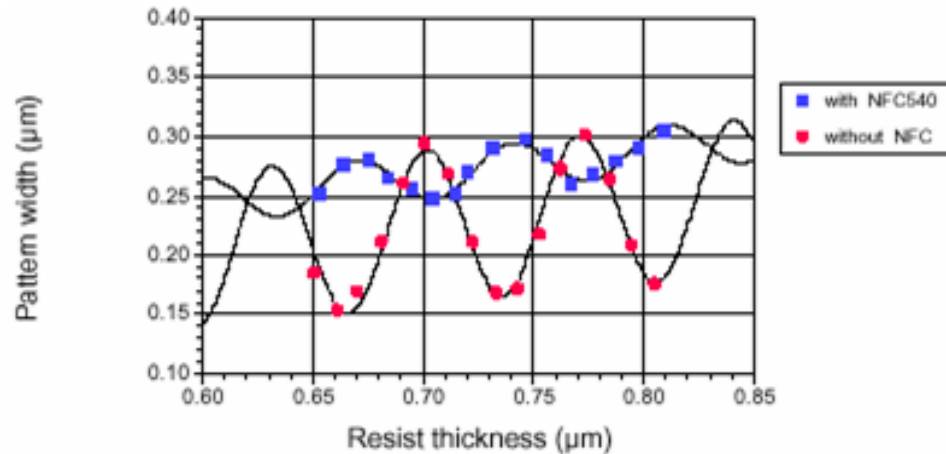


LWR **4.9nm**
PEBS ~1nm/C



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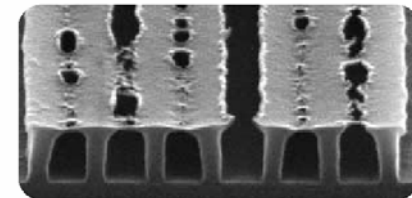
	Scanner	Track
TARCS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Controls your leaky light Reduces outgassing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amine control Lower defectivity



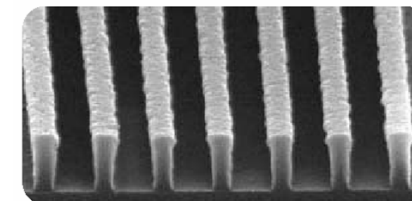
Environmental Stability

60min PEB delay

No
TARC



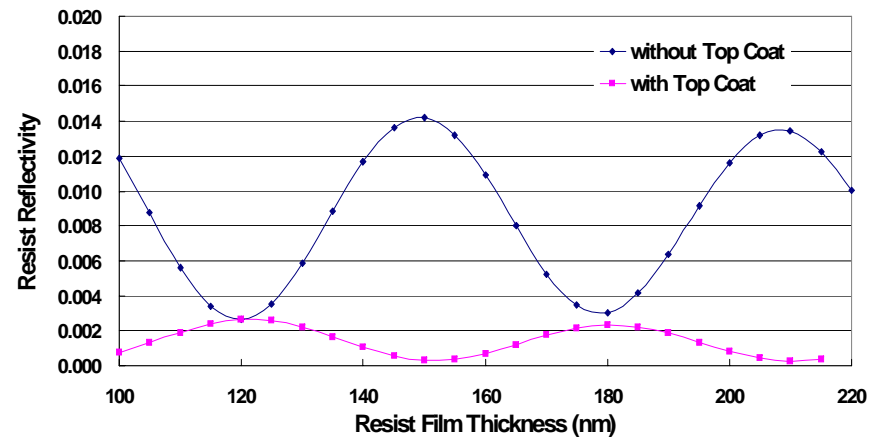
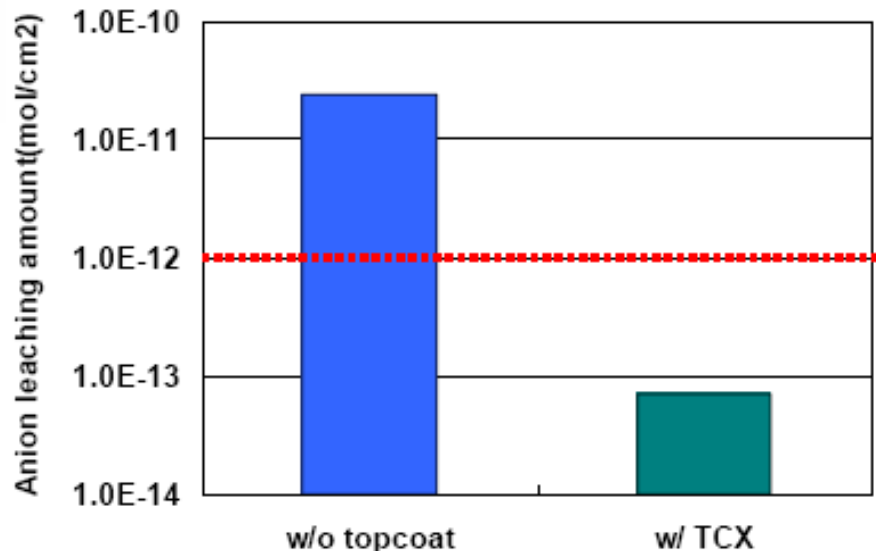
with
TARC






Materials are your friend

	Scanner	\$ Track \$
Immersion topcoats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimizing leaching Helps w/ reflectivity control 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sell more pumps and coater bowls

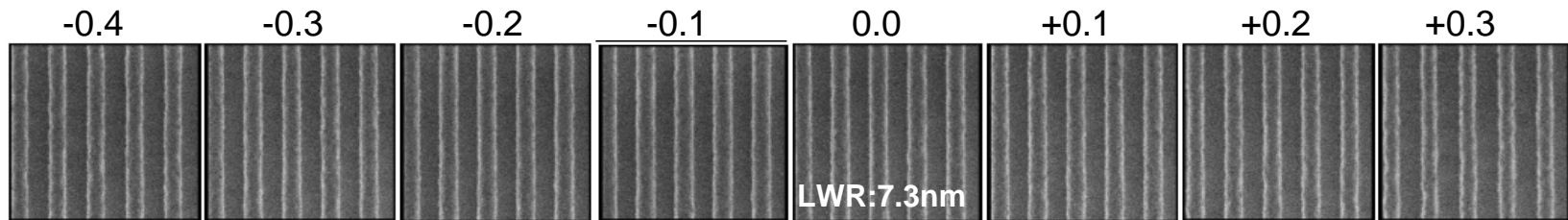




Materials are your friend

	Scanner	Track
Others: Chemical Shrink, DP, trilayer materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relaxes pressure on resolution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sell more pumps and coater bowls 

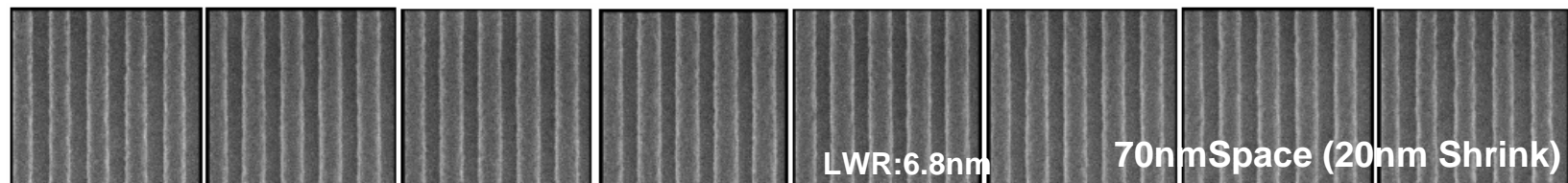
ADI: 90nmS180nmP



After Shrink: 70nmS180nmP



Chemical Shrink Material
20nm Shrink!!





✓ Excellent bake plate, coating uniformity, and other engineering controls

Harmony



✓ Good aerial image and other engineering controls



✓ Large process latitude, reflectivity control, and other process enhancement techniques

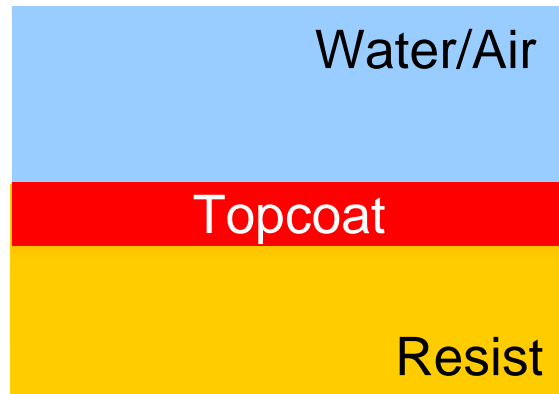
Other battles on the litho front



Topcoat vs. non-topcoat: checklist

- ✓ Develop & scale-up topcoats → Done
- ✓ Support implementation into the 45nm node → On-going
- ✓ Build TC-less resist → On-going
- ✓ Prove which one is better → On-going

Topcoat design



Requirements:

- ✓ Suppress chemical leaching
- ✓ Suitable scanning properties
- ✓ Insoluble to water, soluble to developer
- ✓ Excellent lithographic performance
- ✓ Profile compatibility to each 193nm PR
- ✓ No intermixing with resists
- ✓ No extraction from topcoats

JSR TCX topcoat series

Topcoat design

- What knobs can we turn:
 - Modify the acidity - dissolution rate & CA

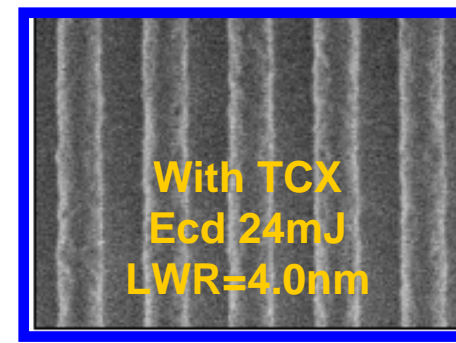
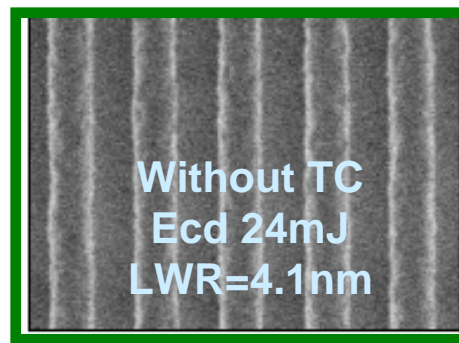
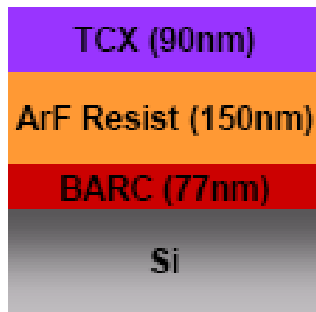
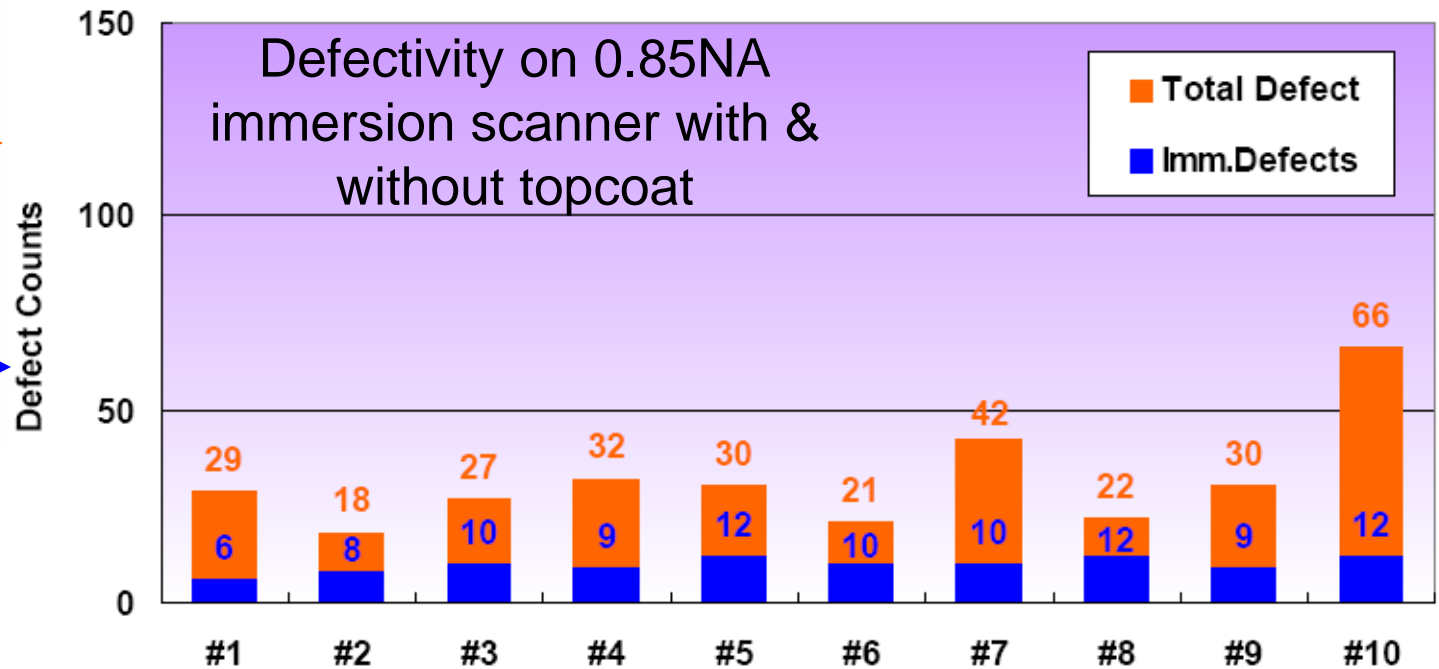
	TC-1	TC-2	TC-3
Acidity	Higher pH	"std" pH	Lower pH
Dissolution rate	125nm/s	200nm/s	800nm/s
Residual Defects	~80,000	<100	<100
Receding Contact Angle	70	69	62
Water Mark Defects	~200	<10	~3,000

Defect reduction – TCX Topcoat

**No topcoat w/
std dry resist
(ave. 10 wafers)**


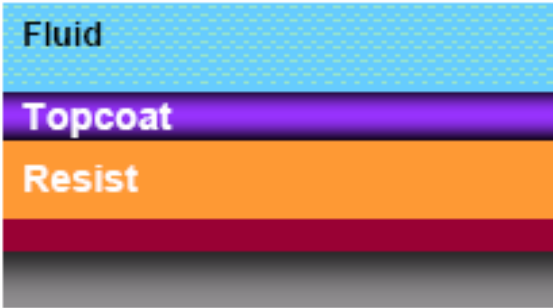
Total Defects = 122

Imm. Defects = 59

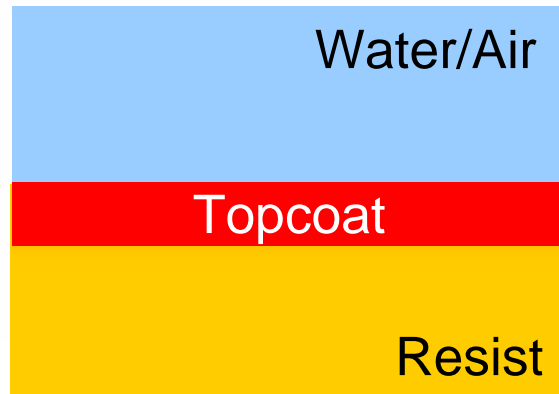


Why fix what works?

Because it's simpler! (or is it really)

Non-TC Process	TC Process
	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pro. Enable to shorten process cycle time ➤ Con. Immersion specific resists, scan speed specific resists 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pro. More reliable process for HVM at this moment, reflectivity ➤ Con. Additional process
<p>Current Status Material design : Done / on-going Practical data collection : in progress High volume manufacturing : TBD</p>	<p>Current Status Material design : <u>Done</u> Practical data collection : <u>Done</u> High volume manufacturing : <u>Done</u></p>

Topcoat-less resist design

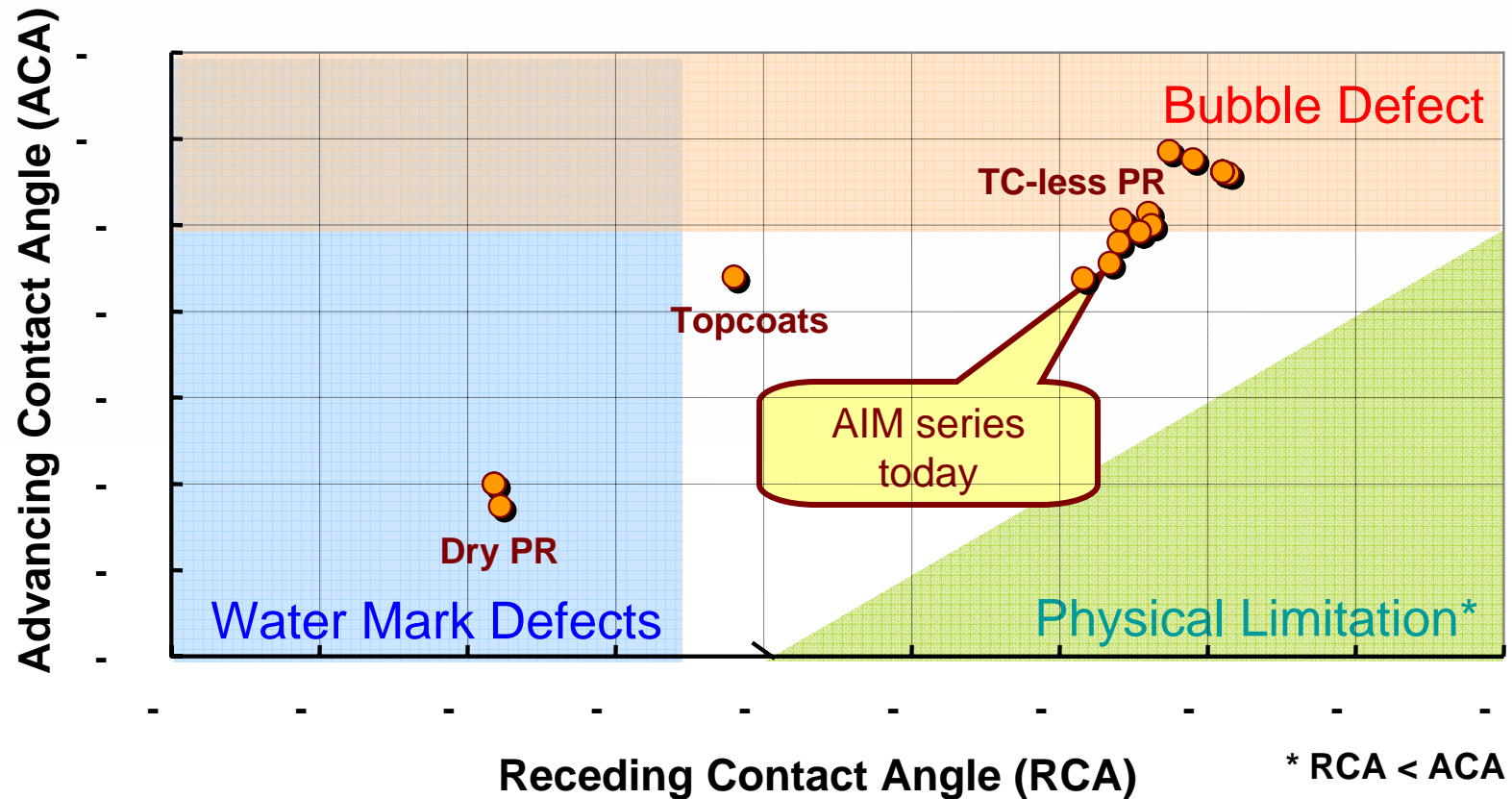


Requirements:

- ✓ Low chemical leaching
- ✓ Suitable scanning properties
- ✓ Balance RCA vs. ACA
- ✓ Excellent lithographic performance
- ✓ No post development defects
- ✓ No leaching of PAG's or other additives
- ✓ Try to take advantage of the maturing resist design for 193nm systems

JSR AIM resist series

What are the control knobs?

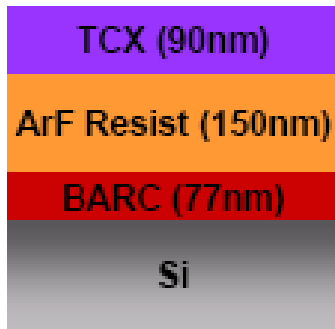
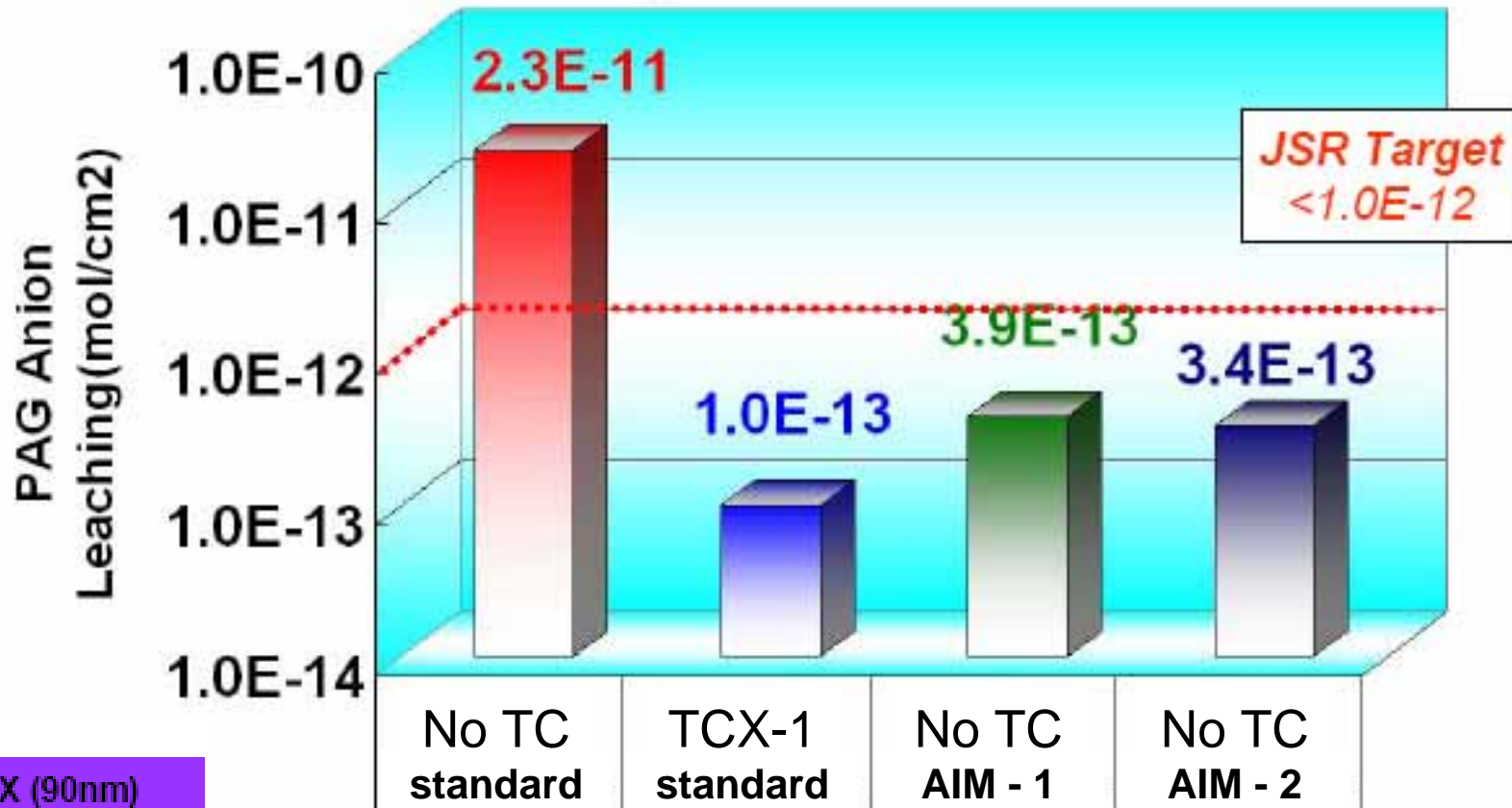


Immersion related defectivity is strongly related with **RCA** and **ACA**.

Standard resist vs. TC vs. non-TC immersion resist

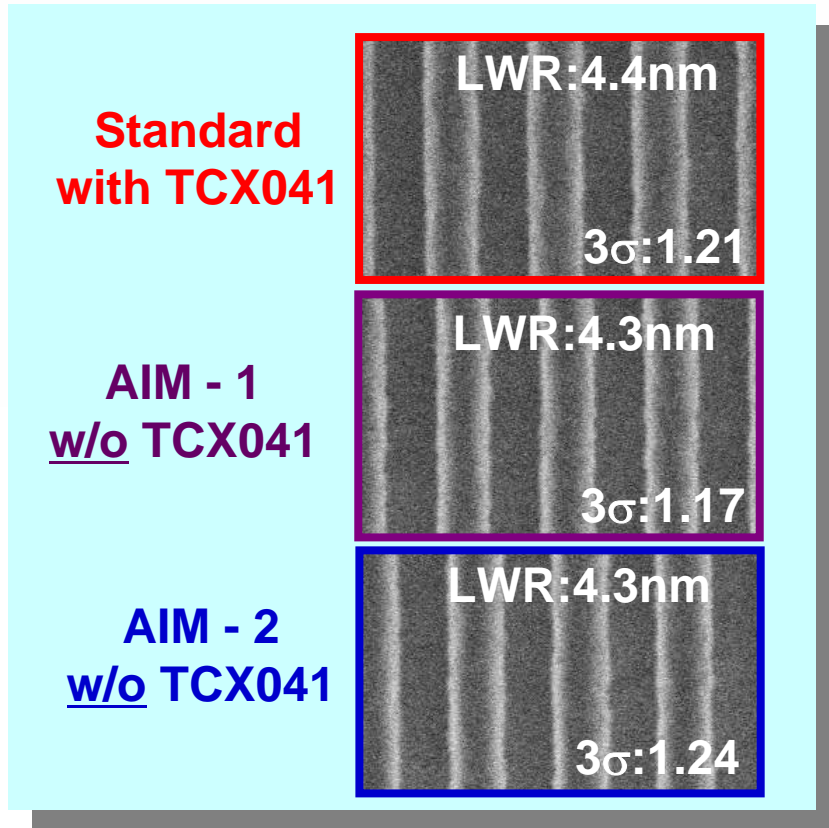
	<u>Standard</u>	<u>Std. + TC</u>	<u>AIM - 1</u>	<u>AIM - 2</u>
Material	Dry resist	Dry resist + Topcoat	Topcoat-less resist 1	Topcoat-less resist 2
RCA	61deg.	69 deg.	86 deg.	83 deg.
ACA	80 deg.	92 deg.	98 deg.	95 deg.
Concern	RCA low Leaching & W/M	TBD	ACA high Bubble	TBD

Leaching Performance

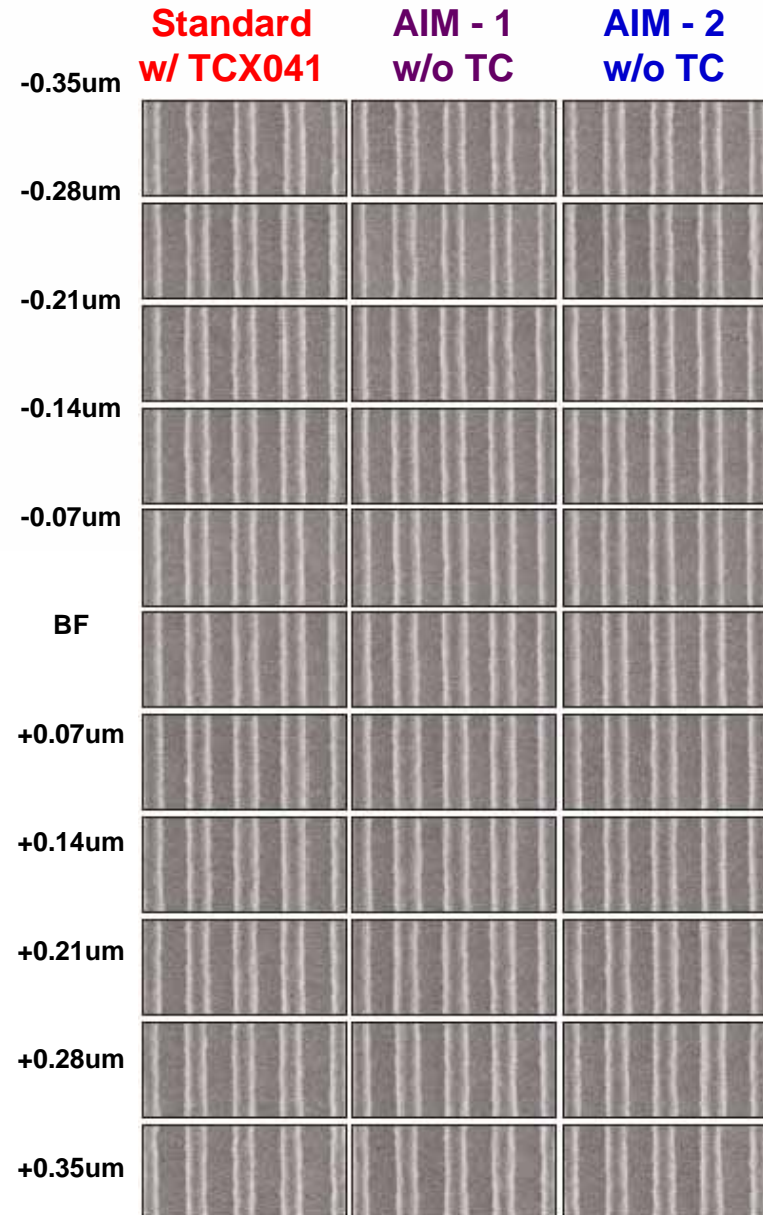


Sufficient suppression of PAG with JSR topcoat
AIM resists also meet leaching specs

Std resist vs. TC vs. TC-less



Scanner:NA=0.85, Dipole
Mask :Att-PSM(6% HT)
Pattern :65nmL/S(LF)



Topcoat vs. Non-Topcoat

- Optimized topcoats have been developed and proven to show HVM capability
- Understanding the RCA vs. ACA relationship is key to the success of implementing Non-TC resists
- TC vs. TC-less resists will be decided in the defectivity battlefield
- Back to our original comparison.....
 - Materials vs. the litho-cluster



The Lithocell vs. Materials

	The Lithocell	Materials
Cost	~\$50,000,000	~\$5000
Install time	2-4 months	2-4 hours
Foot-print	~50m ²	~500cm ²
EUV & HIL ready	Source / Lens	LWR & sensitivity / Fluids
Source of defectivity	High	Low
Who gets blamed for defectivity	Low	High
Better gifts at Semicon	iPod, etc	cookies, etc.

Total Score

2

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