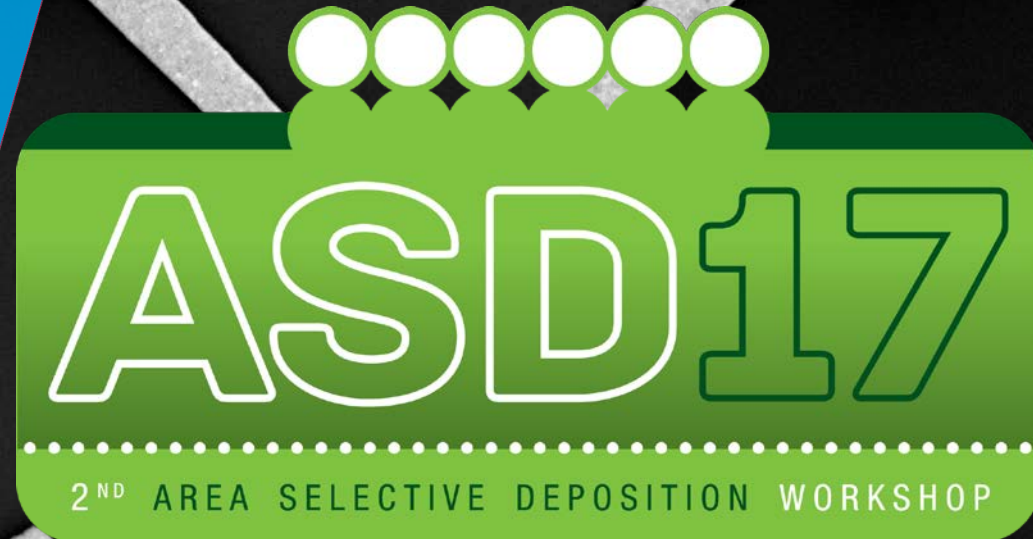


Discussion session ASD 2017

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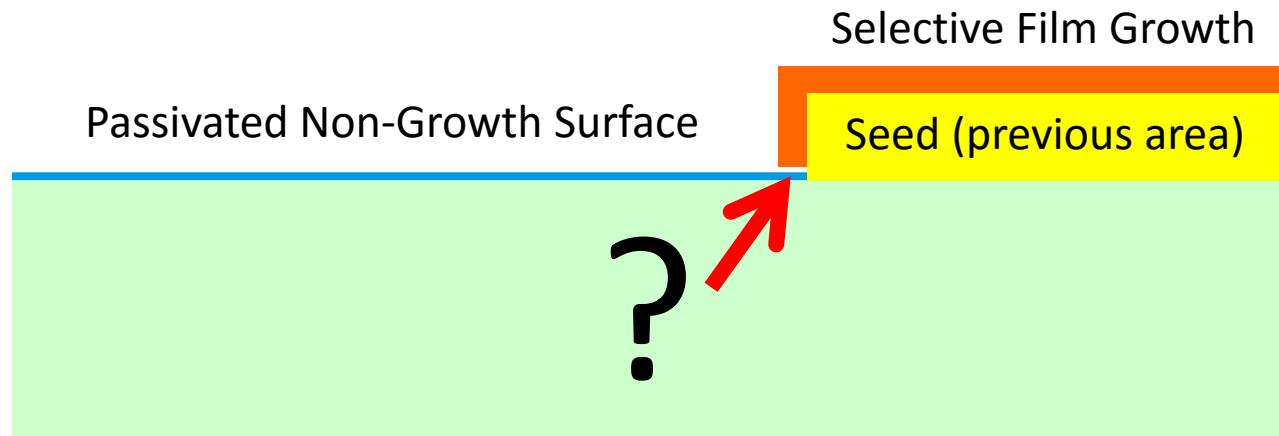
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The Interface of the Moving Boundary

If we passivate the non-growth surface by
chemical termination, SAM, etc.,
do we create a non-bonded seam?
Would it matter?



Lateral broadening– Mushroom-type growth



Ras *et al.* JACS 130, 11252 (2008)

- What are the solutions for preventing lateral broadening?
- Is this a showstopper for the envisioned applications?

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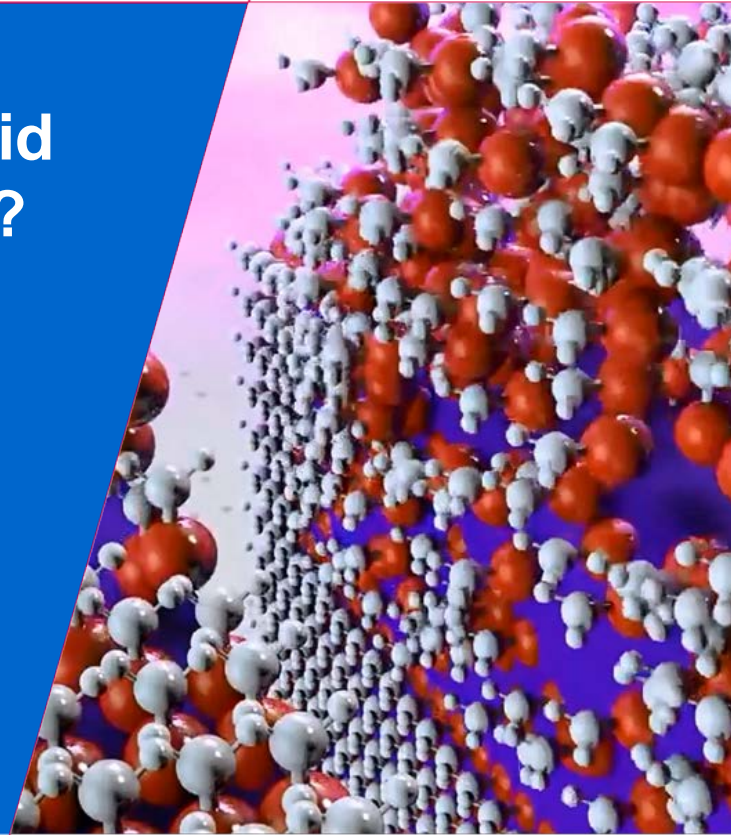
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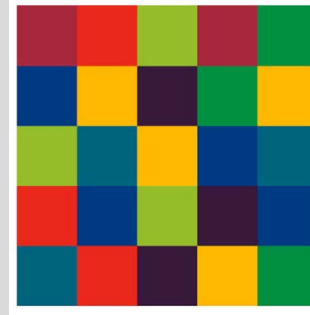
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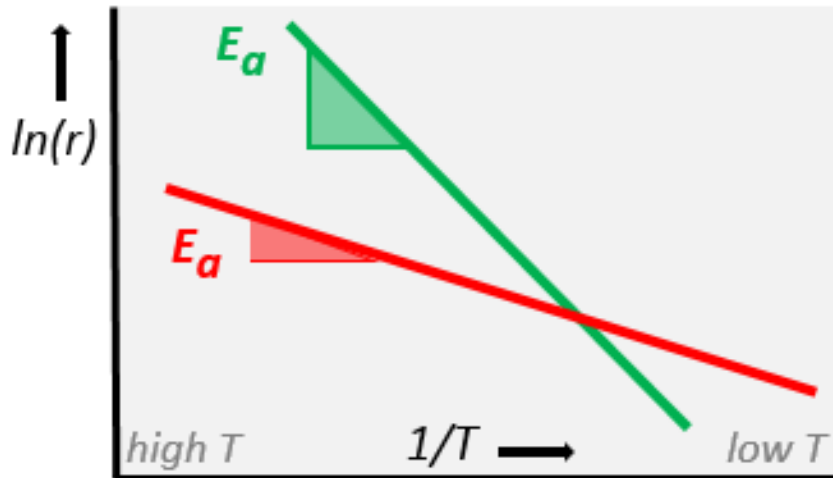
On everyone's wishlist:

Process just one material in a background of other materials

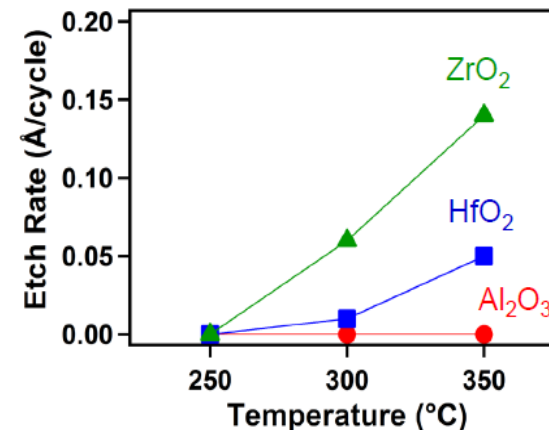


- Promote desired (half-) reactions* with **high E_a**
- Suppress undesired (half-) reactions with **low E_a**

* = dep, etch, clean, poison, desorb, anneal, ...



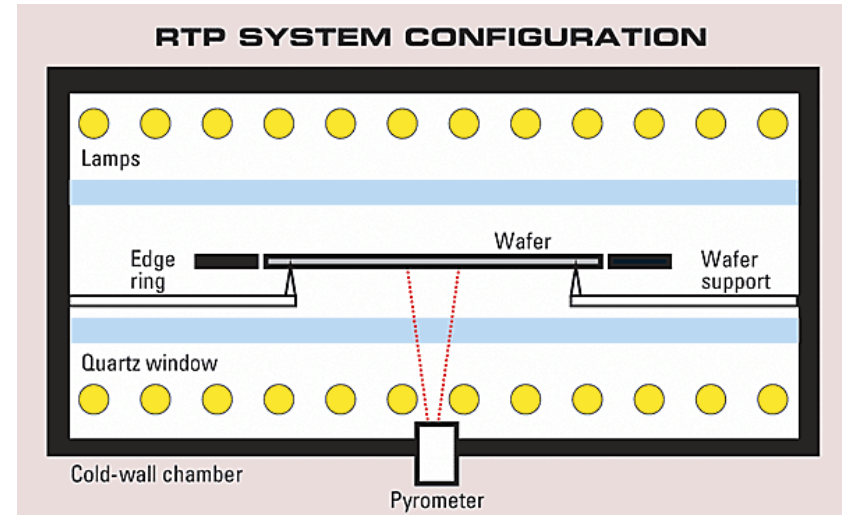
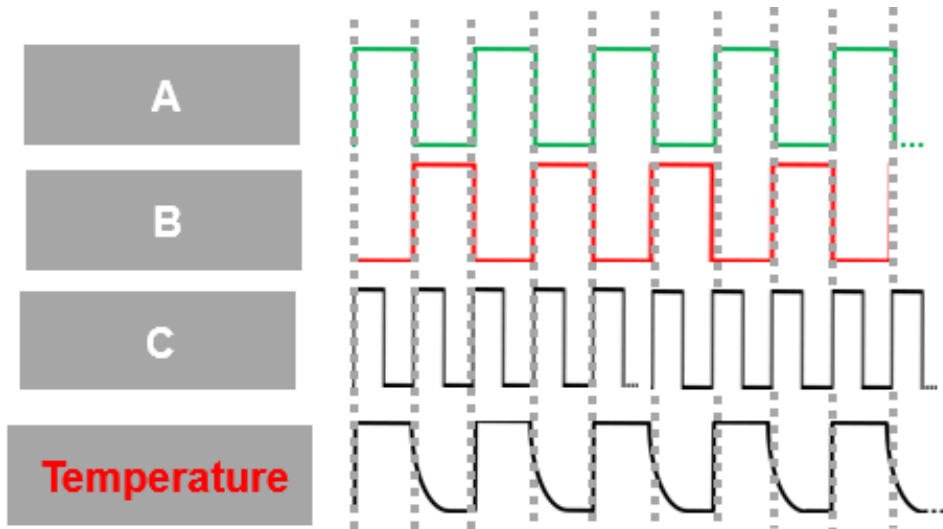
Selectivity Based on Temperature for ALE Using SiCl_4 as Metal Precursor



Younghee Lee

Selective ALP with synchronized rapid (10-100 ms) temperature modulation?

Mix of A-B-C etch/dep/inhibitor, *and flash* ?



ramp-up 100 °C/s

„ „ -down ~ 50 °C/s

- *Your opinion: nice to have or must have to get more selectivity?*
- *Manufacturers' viewpoint ?*

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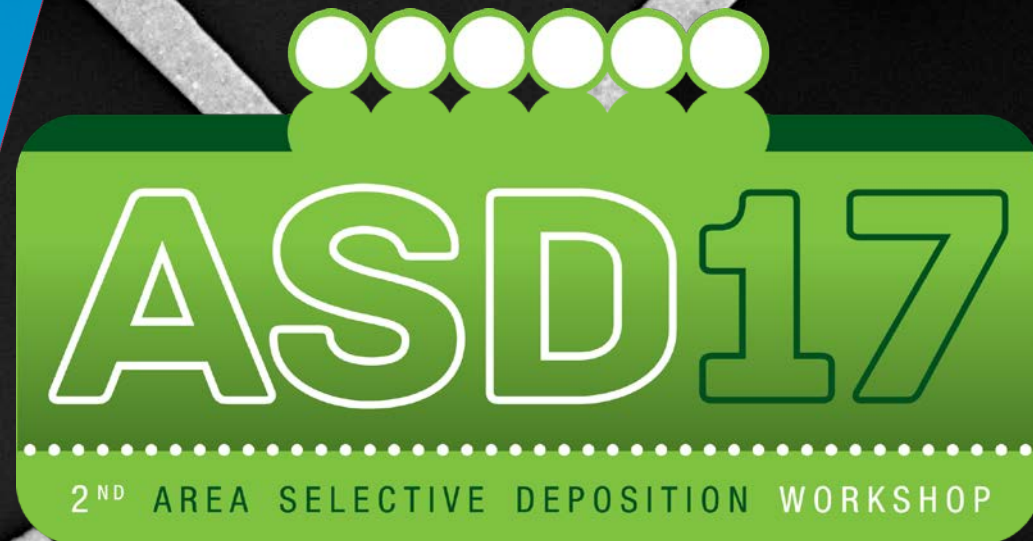
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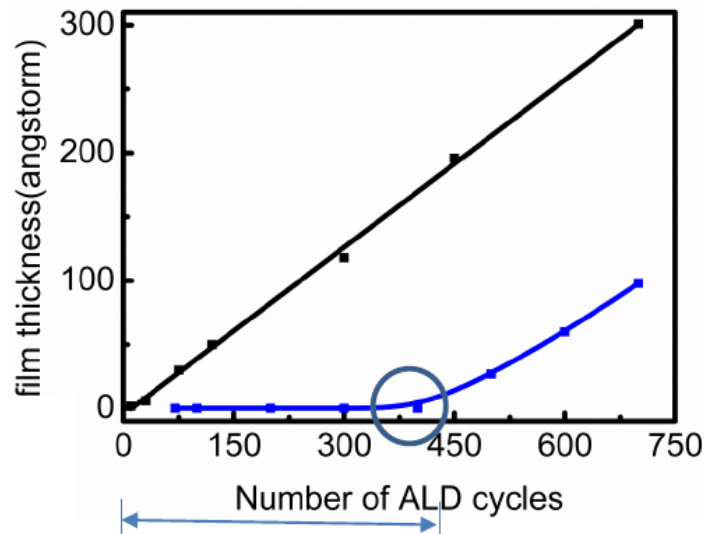


Defects



Nucleation

Nucleation delay



How do we characterize and obtain understanding of the influence of defects on the loss of selectivity?

understand the mechanism (steric, growth on, replacing ligands, etc.)
find a way to eliminate or reduce those defects

on the other hand, how to utilization those defects

- create those defects for better nucleation...
- what kind of defects ALD may passivate it successfully
- benigned processes that wont degrade inhibitor or passivation layer

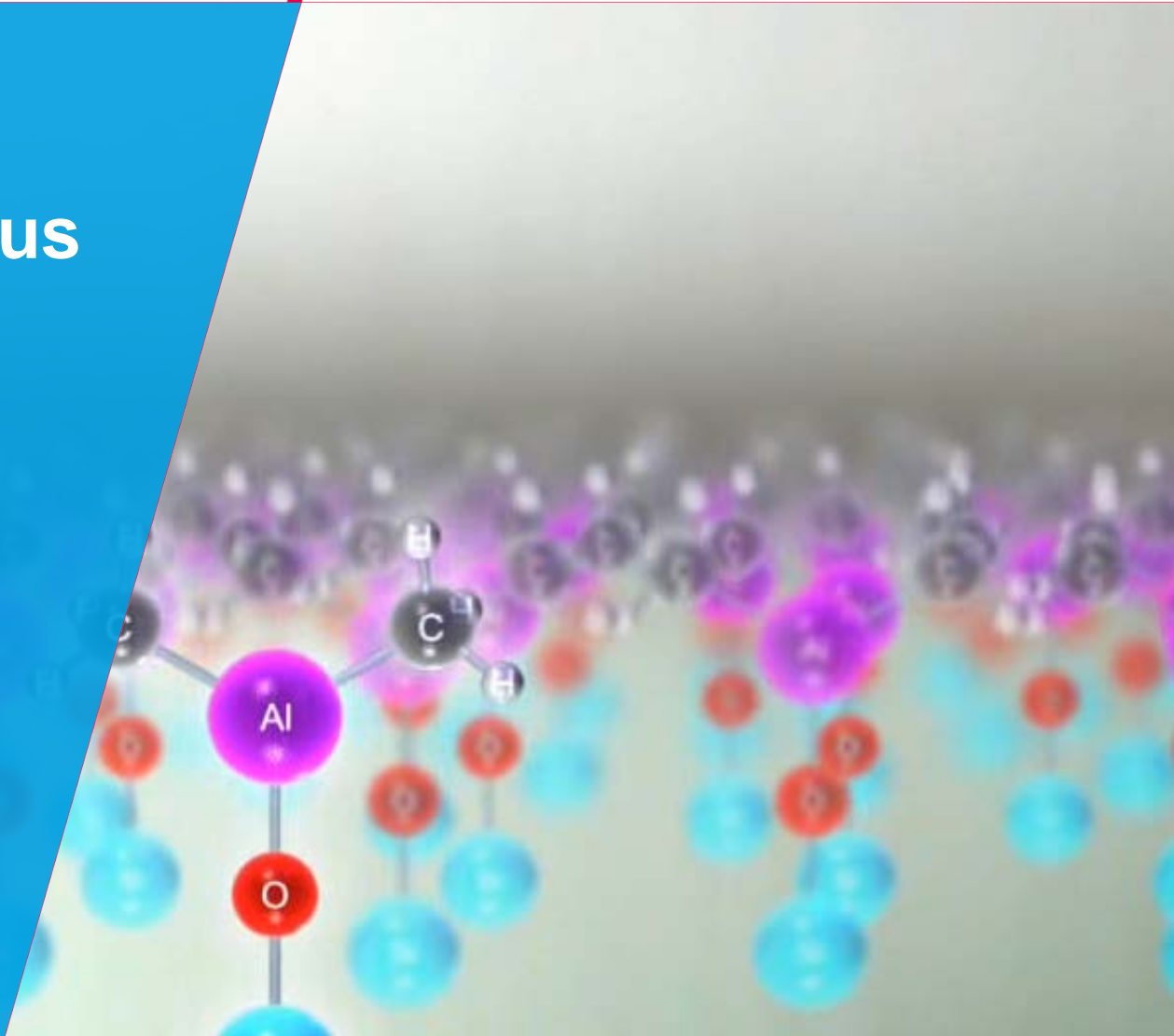
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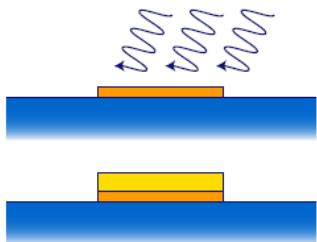
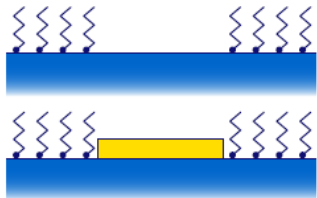
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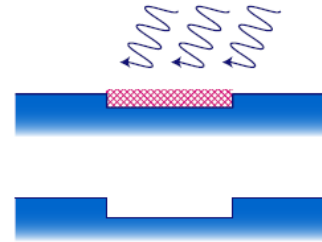
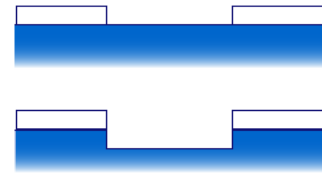
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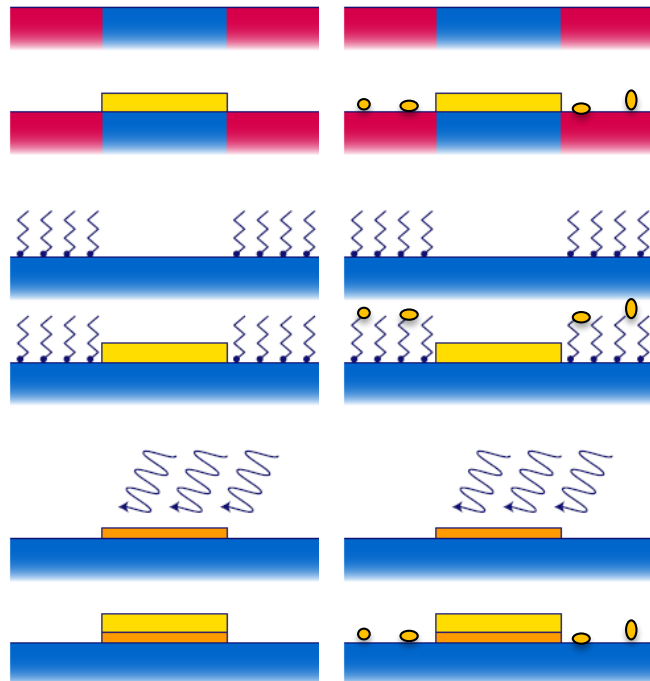
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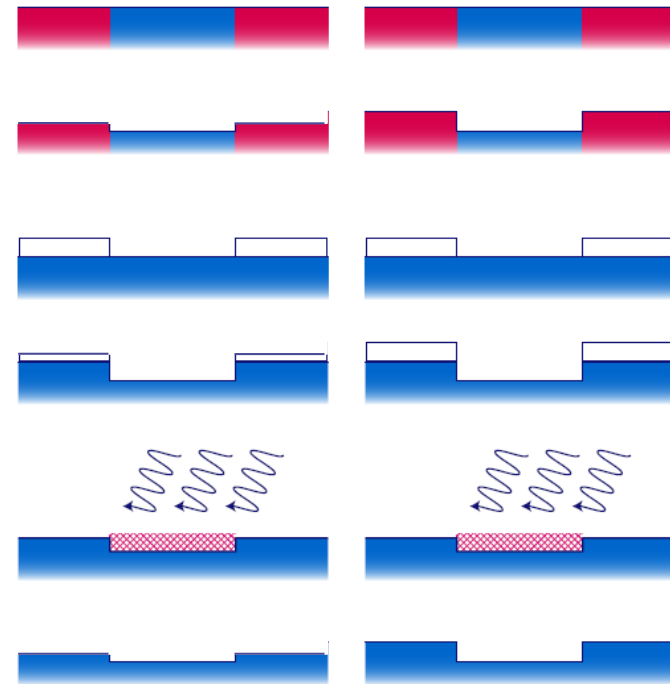
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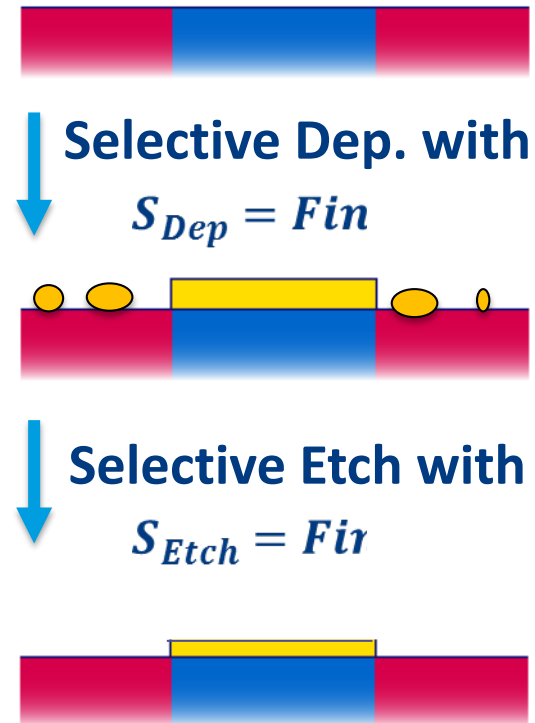
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Does ASD really need to be perfectly selective?

- ASD processes are typically not sufficiently selective for industrial applications.
- Etch process with high selectivity are well-known in the literature
- Is a combined **ASD + selective etch** technique the right way to go?

☐ *Should we aim at improving the selectivity of deposition or will applications most likely involve selective etching steps anyway?*



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Key Insights from ASD 2017

- Development of **plasma-assisted** ASD:
 - Plasma-assisted ALD of SiO_2 ALD (Alfredo Mameli)
 - PECVD of Si (Ekaterina Filatova)
 - Plasma-assisted ALD of Ta_2O_5 (Remy Gassilloud)
- Methods for **topographically selective** deposition:
 - Ion implantation + area-selective ALD (Stacey Bent)
 - Deposition on bottom-trench (John Ekerdt)
- **Metrology** – detection of defects / impurities is crucial to improve selectivity

Key Insights from ASD 2017: Continued

- Focus shifting: Blocking growth before deposition → **improving selectivity during deposition** by:
 1. **Etching:**
 - Self-correcting process: selective deposition + etching (Stacey Bent)
 - ALE for removal of unwanted ALD nucleation (Younghee Lee)
 - Gently etch-back unwanted deposit to suppress nucleation (Jean-Marc Girard)
 - Area-selective ALD + selective etching in supercycle (Sonali Chopra)
 - Nucleation delay + plasma etching in supercycle (Remy Gassilloud)
 - Etch followed by clean/reset (David Thompson)
 2. **Re-applying deactivation molecules**
 - SAM repair between ALD cycles (Stacey Bent)
 - Continuous dosing of inhibitors during CVD (John Abelson)
 - ABC ALD cycles with inhibitor (Alfredo Mameli)

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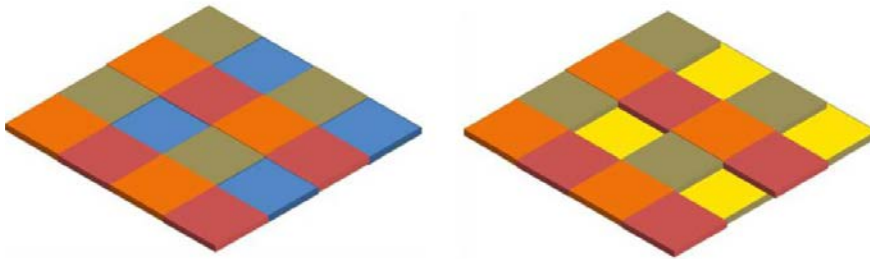
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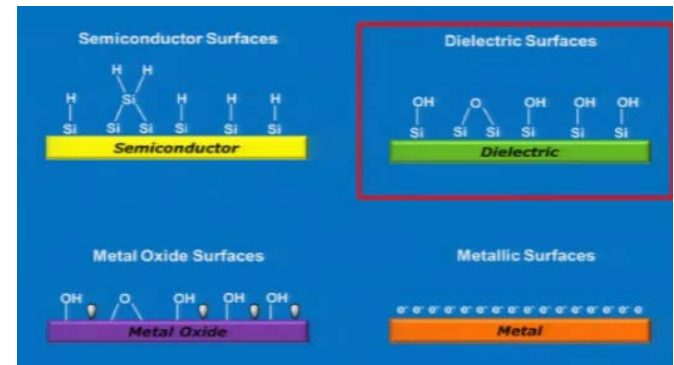
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1. Self-aligned fabrication will involve several materials.



Carver *et al.*, ECS JSSST 4, N5005 (2015)



Mayberry, ALD conference (2015)

- **What type of selectivity is preferred?**
- Oxide-on-oxide / metal-on-metal deposition?
- ASD on one specific material in the presence of other materials?

Questions for the Community – Cont'd

2. We need to compare different processes.

- How do we quantify selectivity?
- Is feature size important when comparing selectivity?
- Require sub-100nm patterns?

3. How much selective deposition is enough?

- Related to Thickness? e.g. “10 nm is enough” –?
- Aspect ratio? e.g. “10 nm is enough for a 10 nm feature” –?

Questions for the Community – Cont'd

4. What fundamental knowledge is required to advance ASD?
5. Which applications beyond nanoelectronics could benefit from ASD?
6. What problems are most important to study?
Edge effects?
Substrate loading effects?
Coupled etching/deposition?

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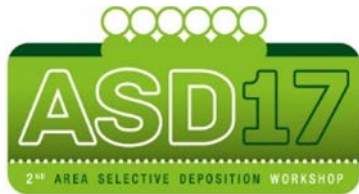


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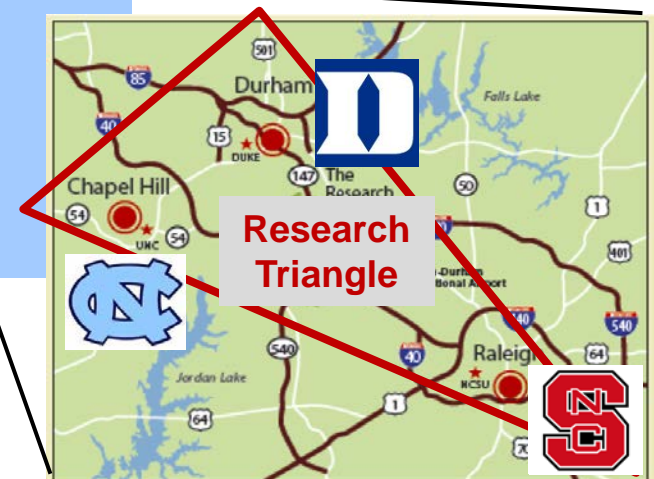


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