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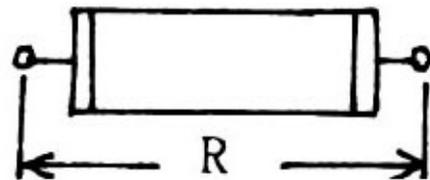
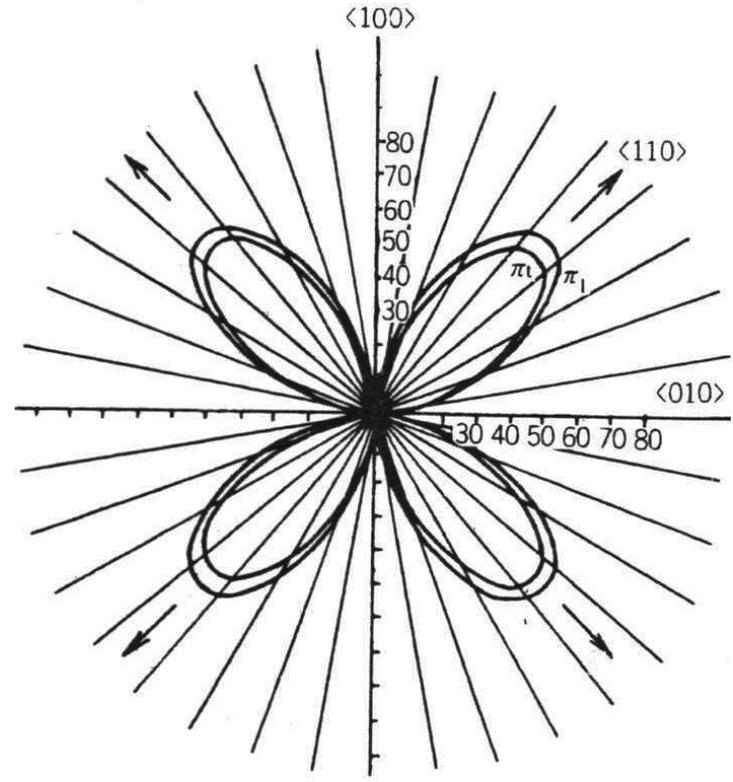
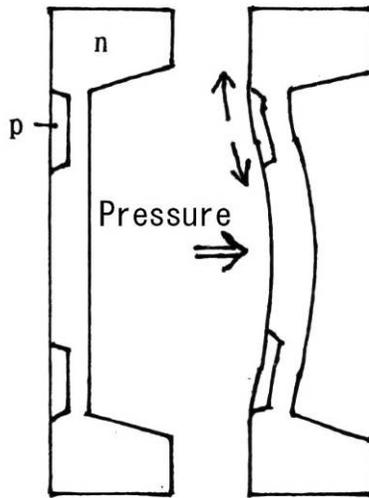
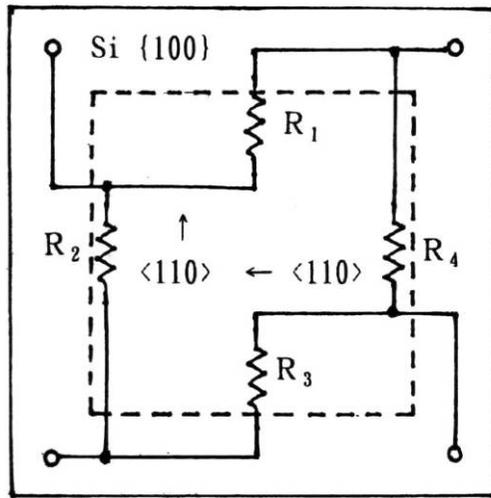
- **History of MEMS and Involvement of SPP Group**
- **Relationship with Worldwide Institutes**
- **MIG Conference Japan 2014 and MEMS Engineer Forum 2014**
- **Trillion Sensors Summit**
- **MEMS Improve Your Life**
- **Summary**



# **History of MEMS and Involvement of SPP Group**

- 1960s : Piezoresistive pressure sensor was pioneered by Dr. Igarashi, called “Mr. Sensor” in the sensor society, at Toyota Central Research Laboratory**
- 1970s : MEMS devices development work pioneered by Prof. Esashi of Tohoku University**
- 1982 : “Silicon as a Mechanical Material” authored by Dr. Kurt Petersen**
- 1986 : BSAC was founded**
- 1987 : Term “MEMS” was coined in the U.S.  
Transducers '87 conference held in Tokyo**
- 1992 : Integrated Wafer Process System IX200 developed and commercialized by SPP**
- 1995 : DRIE technology based upon “Bosch Process” developed and commercialized by STS/SPP**
- 1997 : Microturbine developed by MIT**
- 2000 : Commercial viability of Waveguide and Optical MEMS Switch**
- 2004 : Keynote Remarks by Prof. N.F. de Rooij of Univ. of Neuchatel**
- 2009 : Outbreak of Smart Phone**

# Pressure Sensor in 1960s



→  $\sigma_l$  Lateral stress  
 ↑  $\sigma_t$  Tangential stress

$$\Delta R / R = \pi_l \sigma_l + \pi_t \sigma_t = K \epsilon$$

↑ Resistance change      ↑ Gage factor      ↑ Strain

Piezoresistive coefficient

Lateral piezoresistive coeff.      Tangential piezoresistive coeff.

p – Si  
 (100)

(Courtesy of Prof. Esashi of Tohoku University)



**Dr. Isemi Igarashi**

(Toyota Central Research Laboratory)

He is one of pioneers of piezoresistive pressure sensor and called “Mr.Sensor” in sensor society

Invention of piezoresistive effect of Si and Ge (C.S.Smith (Bell Lab.), Phy.Rev. 94 (1954) 42))

Piezoresistive Ge strain gauge (I.Igarashi, Kogakuin Daigaku Research Report, 3 (1956) 1 (in Japanese))

Piezoresistive pressure sensor (O.N.Tufte (Honeywell), J.of Applied Physics, 33 (1962) 3322)

Application of piezoresistive pressure sensor to automobile (I.Igarashi, Jidosha Gijutsu, 18(9) (1964) 706 (in Japanese))

Piezoresistive pressure sensor and accelerometer (T.Chiku, I.Igarashi, 20th ISA (1965) 17. 11-3-65)

Prevalence of Si piezoresistive pressure sensor for engine control in automobile (1980 ~)

Prevalence of Si capacitive accelerometer for crash sensing in air bag safety systems (1990 ~)

Piezoresistive sensors to measure strain, pressure and acceleration

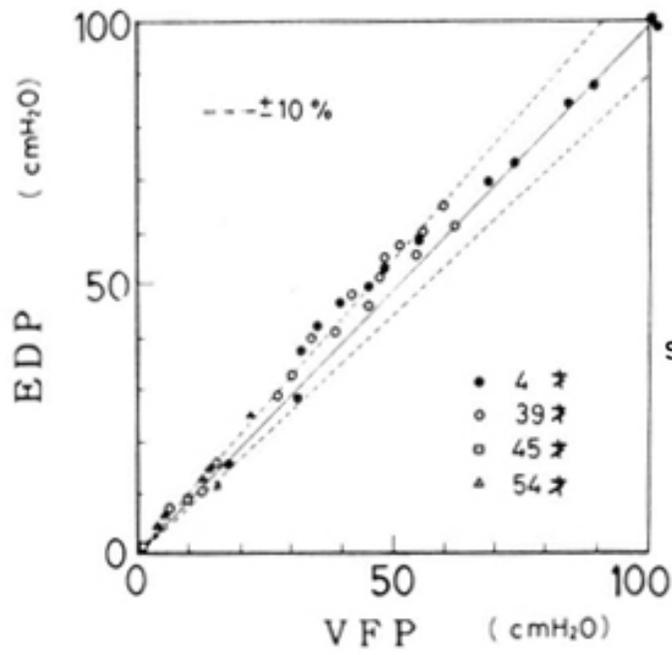
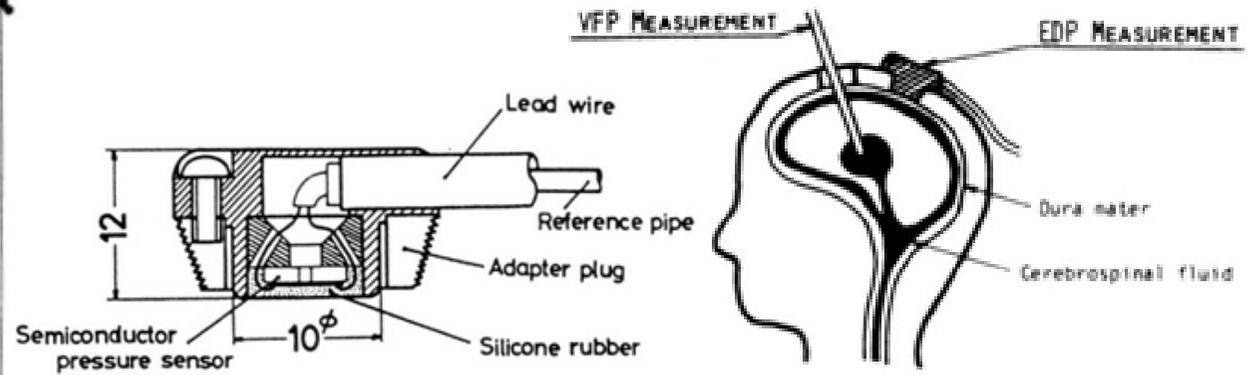


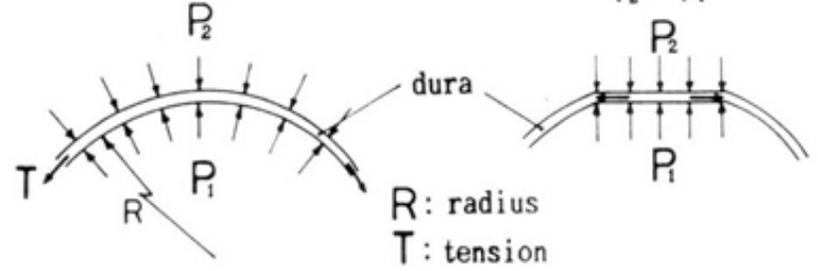
Fig.3 Relation between VFP and EDP



EDP : Epidural Pressure  
 VFP : Ventricular Fluid Pressure

$$P_2 - P_1 = 2T/R$$

$$R \rightarrow \infty, P_2 - P_1 = 0 \\ \therefore P_2 = P_1$$



Coplanar method

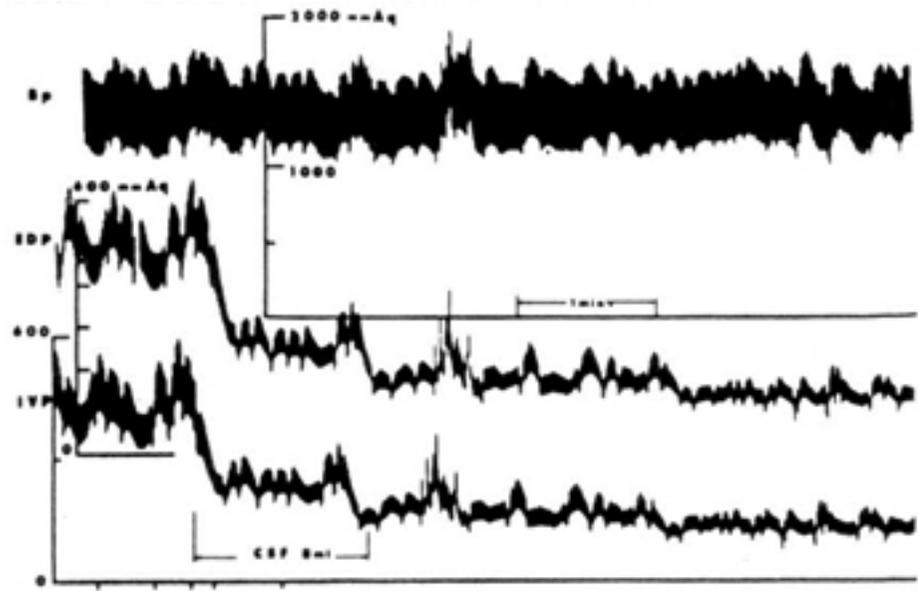


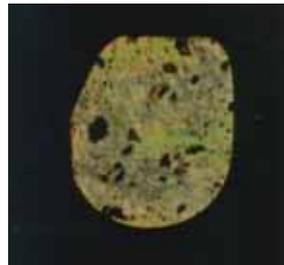
Fig.4 Results of clinical inspection

Implantable epidural pressure sensor to monitor ventricular fluid pressure by coplanar method

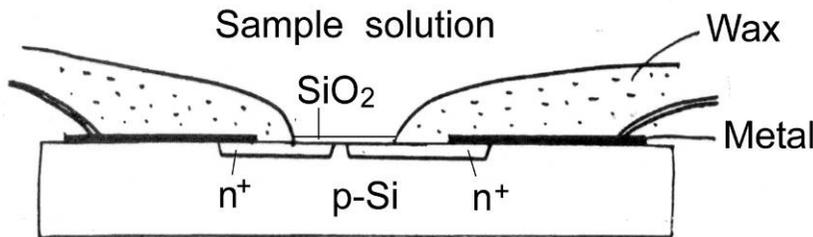
(A.Ikeyama, S.Maeda, H.Nagai, M.Furuse, I.Igarashi, H.Inagaki T.Kitano, Neurological medico -chirurgica, 17 (1977) 1-7)



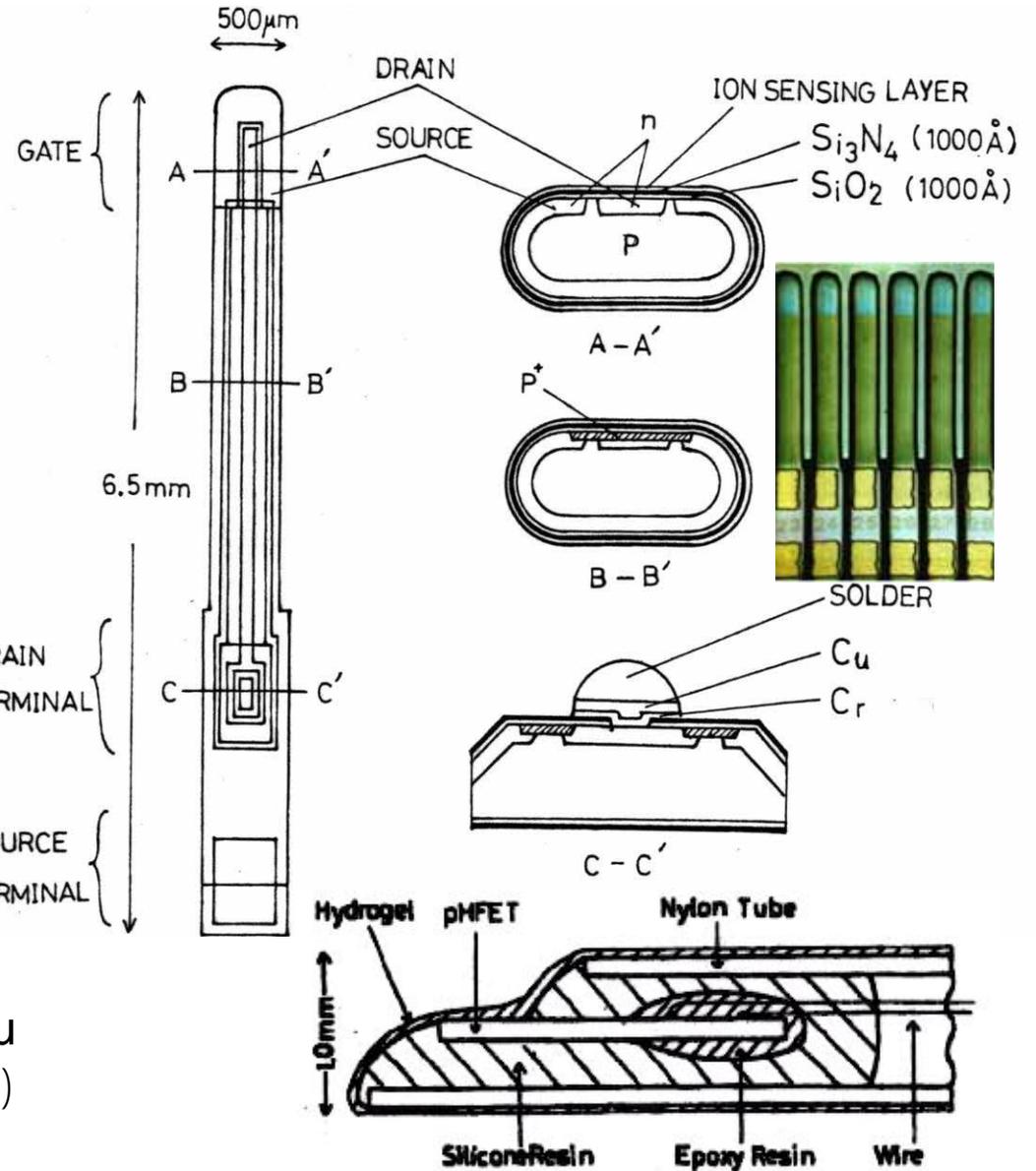
Prof. Masayoshi Esashi  
(Tohoku University)



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(T.Matsuo, M.Esashi, K.linuma, Tohoku region meeting of Electrical Eng.(1971))



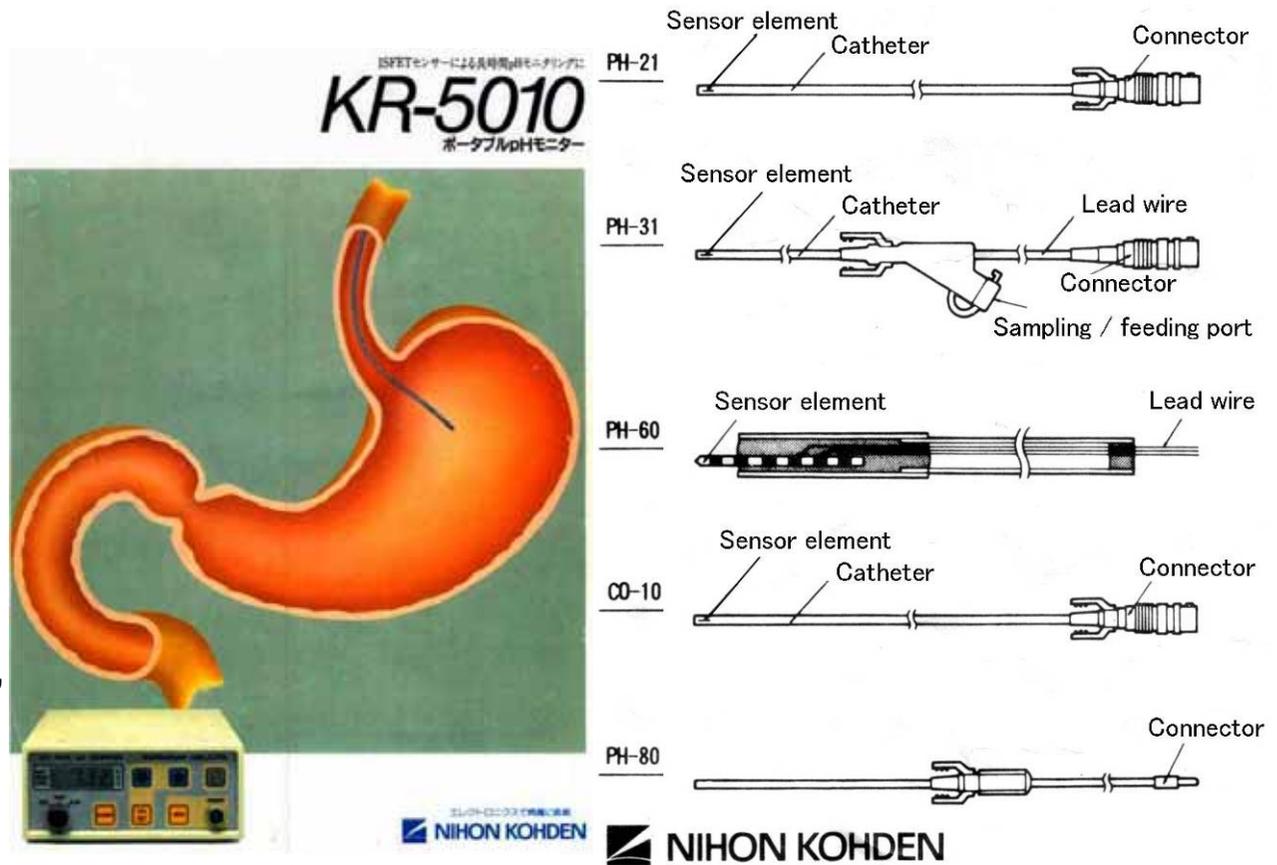
# ISFET (Ion Sensitive Field Effect Transistor)

(wafer process for reliable assembly)

(M.Esashi & T.Matsuo, Supplement to the J.J.A.P.,44 (1975) 339)



(K. Shimada (Kurare), M. Esashi and T. Matsuo et.al.: Application of catheter-tip I.S.F.E.T. for continuous in vivo measurement, Med. & Biol. Eng. & Comput., Vol.18, No.11, pp.741-745 (1980))



Type	Application	No	Catheter (mm)		Monitor	Note
			Length	Diameter		
PH-21	pH measurement in muscle etc	PH-2135	350	1.1	KR-5000	With reference
PH-31	pH measurement in esophagus and stomach	PH-3110 ( Adult )	1000	2.4	KR-5000	With reference and feed port
		PH-3165 ( Infant )	650	2.4	KR-5010	
PH-60	pH measurement in mouth	PH-6010	100	1.0	KR-5000	Without reference
PH-80	Reference electrode for PH-60	PH-8005	50	1.1	KR-5000	
CO-10	PCO <sub>2</sub> measurement in muscle etc	CO-1035	350	0.9	KR-5000	With reference

Catheter pH, PCO<sub>2</sub> monitor using ISFET (commercialized in 1980)

## **Silicon as a Mechanical Material**

KURT E. PETERSEN, MEMBER, IEEE

**Abstract—Single-crystal silicon is being increasingly employed in a variety of new commercial products not because of its well-established electronic properties, but rather because of its excellent mechanical properties. In addition, recent trends in the engineering literature indicate a growing interest in the use of silicon as a mechanical material with the ultimate goal of developing a broad range of inexpensive, batch-fabricated, high-performance sensors and transducers which are easily interfaced with the rapidly proliferating microprocessor. This review describes the advantages of employing silicon as a mechanical material, the relevant mechanical characteristics of silicon, and the processing techniques which are specific to micromechanical structures. Finally, the potentials of this new technology are illustrated by numerous detailed examples from the literature. It is clear that silicon will continue to be aggressively exploited in a wide variety of mechanical applications complementary to its traditional role as an electronic material. Furthermore, these multidisciplinary uses of silicon will significantly alter the way we think about all types of miniature mechanical devices and components.**

miniaturized mechanical devices and components must be integrated or interfaced with electronics such as the examples given above.

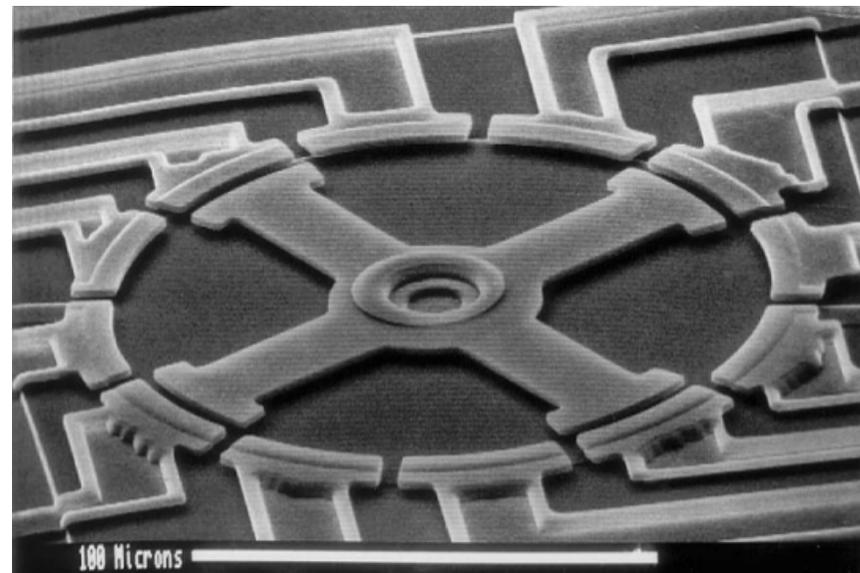
The continuing development of silicon micromechanical applications is only one aspect of the current technical drive toward miniaturization which is being pursued over a wide front in many diverse engineering disciplines. Certainly silicon microelectronics continues to be the most obvious success in the ongoing pursuit of miniaturization. Four factors have played crucial roles in this phenomenal success story: 1) the active material, silicon, is abundant, inexpensive, and can now be produced and processed controllably to unparalleled standards of purity and perfection; 2) silicon processing itself is based on very thin deposited films which are highly amenable to miniaturization; 3) definition and reproduction of the

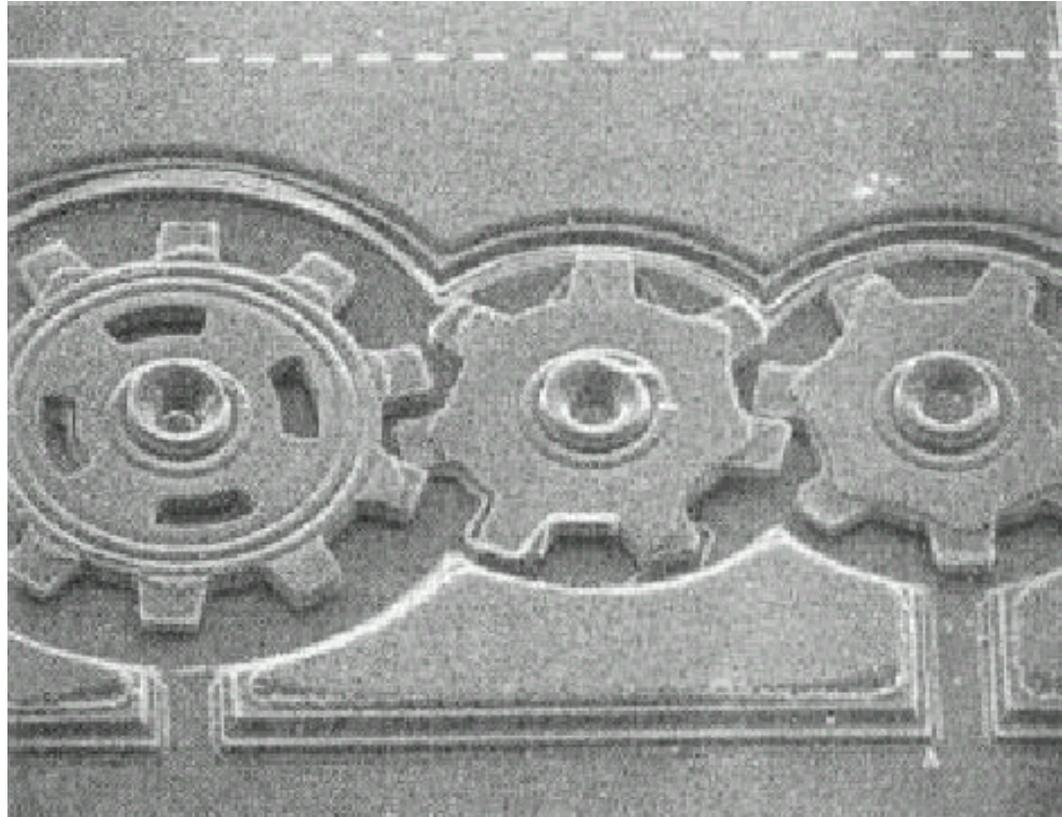
(Kurt E. Petersen, “Silicon as a Mechanical Material”, In Proc. of the IEEE, Vol.70, No.5, May 1982)

BSAC (Berkeley Sensor & Actuator Center), the NSF (National Science Foundation) Industry / University Cooperative Research Center for MEMS, was founded in 1986 to conduct commercially relevant interdisciplinary engineering research on micro- and nano-scale sensors, moving mechanical elements, microfluidics, materials, and processes that take advantage of progress made in integrated-circuit, bio, and polymer technologies.

### Electrostatic Micro-motor

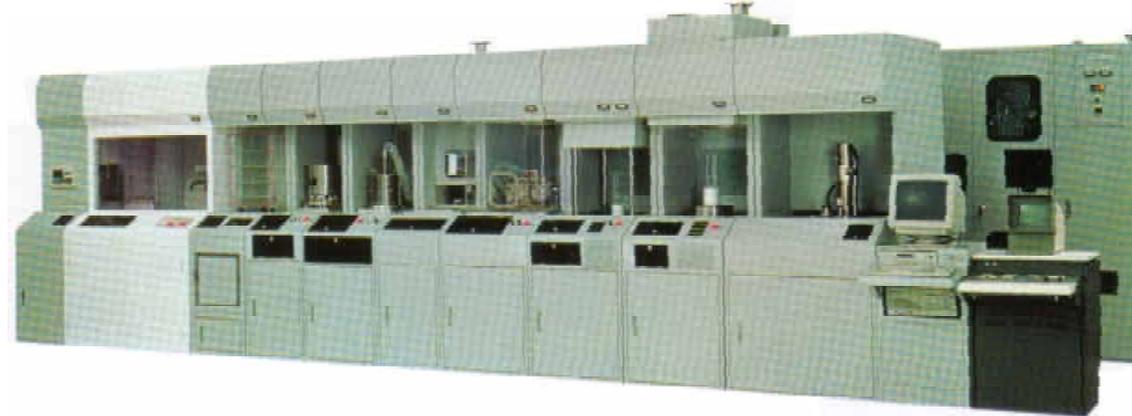
(L. S. Fan, Y. C. Tai and R. S. Muller, "IC-processed Electrostatic Micro-motors", IEEE Int. Electron Devices Meeting (1988), pp.666-669)





(K. J. Gabriel, W. S. N. Trimmer and M. Mehregany, “Micro gears and turbines etched from silicon”, in Tech. Digest of the 4<sup>th</sup> Int. Conf. On Solid-State Sensors and Actuators (Transducers ’87, Tokyo, June 1987), pp. 853-856)

**Integrated Wafer Process System IX200 developed and commercialized by SPP, and LP-CVD of IX200 shipped to NRLM (AIST)**

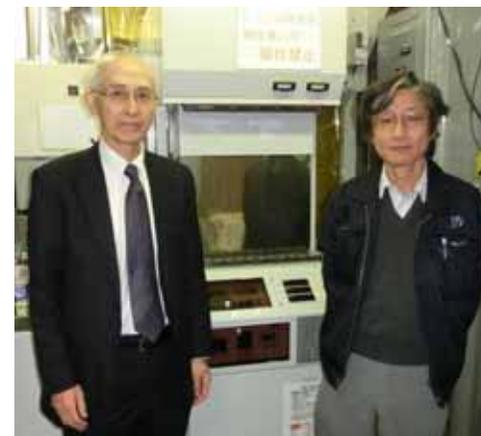


**IX200**

USER LABORATORY



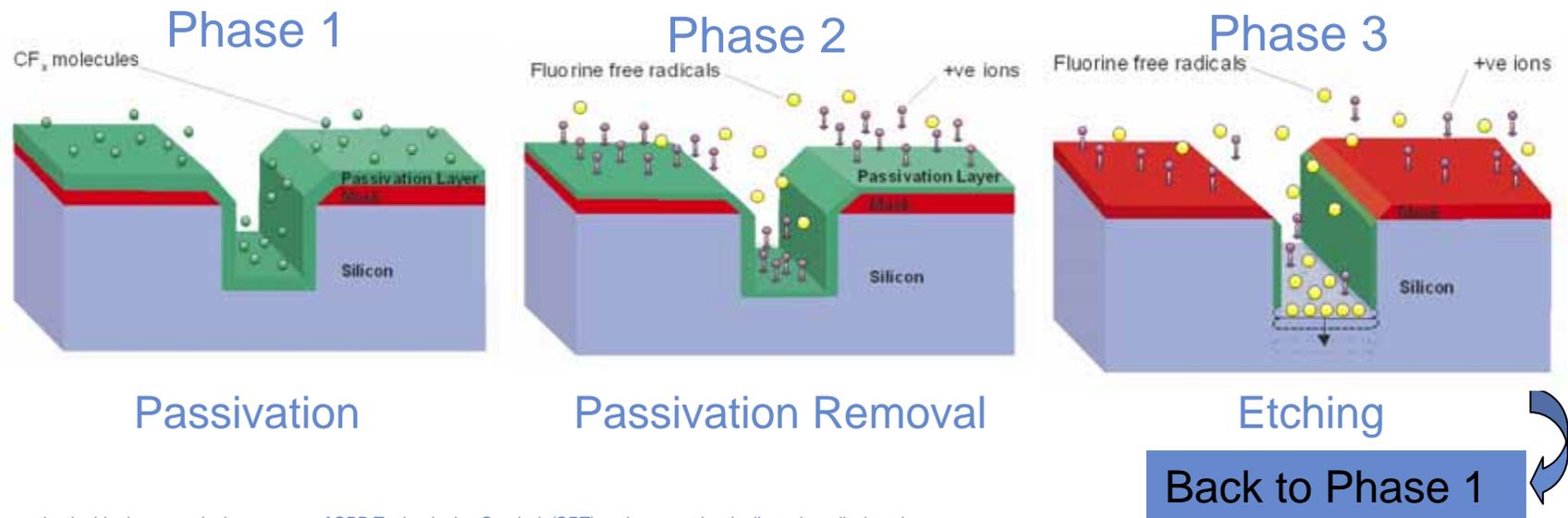
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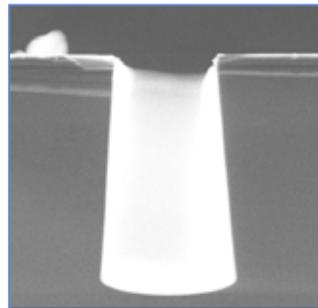
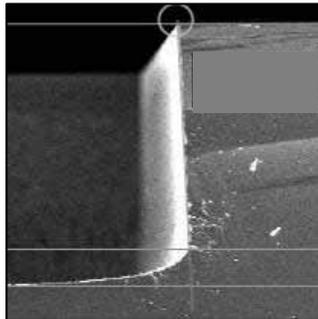
**LP-CVD of IX200**

**Kaminaga Prof. Maenaka  
of Univ. of Hyogo**

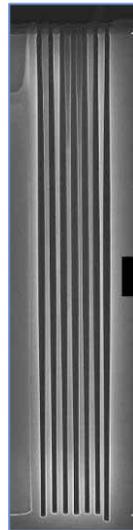
- SPTS /STS is Synonymous with the MEMS industry!
- In 1994, STS began working with Robert Bosch to develop a production version of an Etch Process that they had patented.
- In 1995, STS shipped the world 1st DRIE Equipment (*ASE<sup>®</sup>*) with Bosch Process in the market.
- This was an enabling technology in MEMS manufacturing.
- Today >95% of MEMS manufacturers use this technique.
- The development of the technologies and business managed under control of SPP.



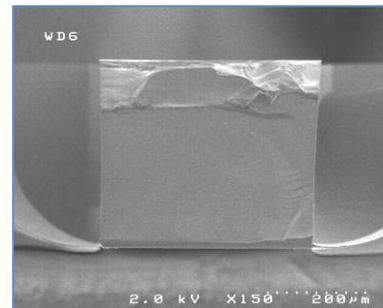
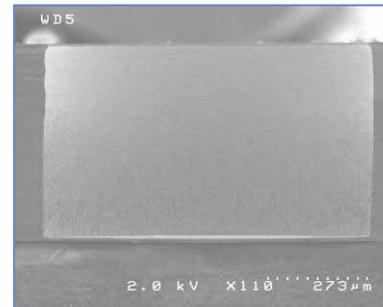
**High Rate**  
Cavities, Caps,  
ink-jets



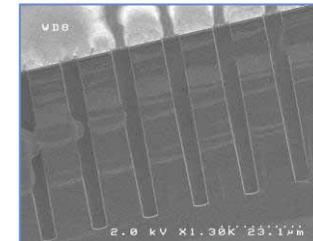
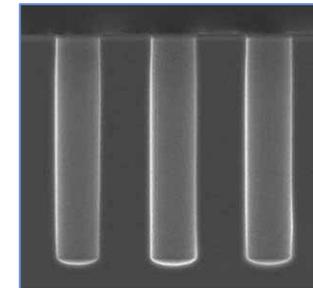
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100:1 AR



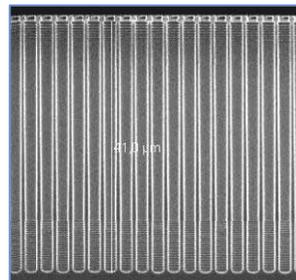
**Through Wafer**  
Sensors  
Microphones



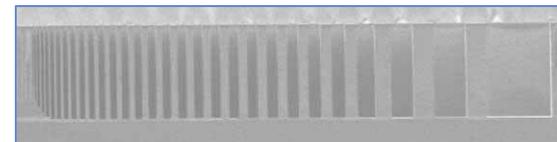
**Scallop Free**  
<6nm 'waves'



**High Aspect Ratio**  
1.7 x 41  $\mu\text{m}$   
24:1 AR

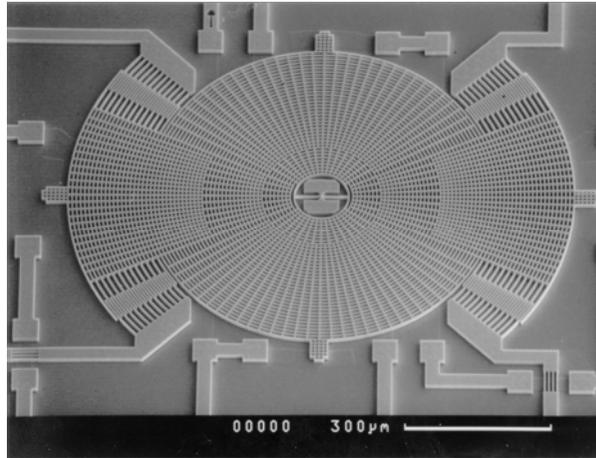


**SOI**  
3 x 50  $\mu\text{m}$   
17:1 AR

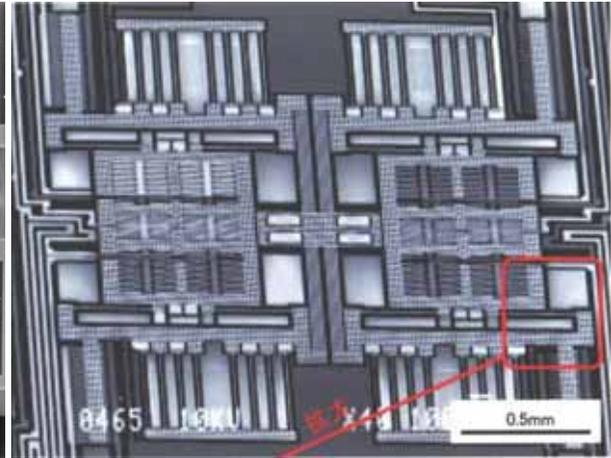




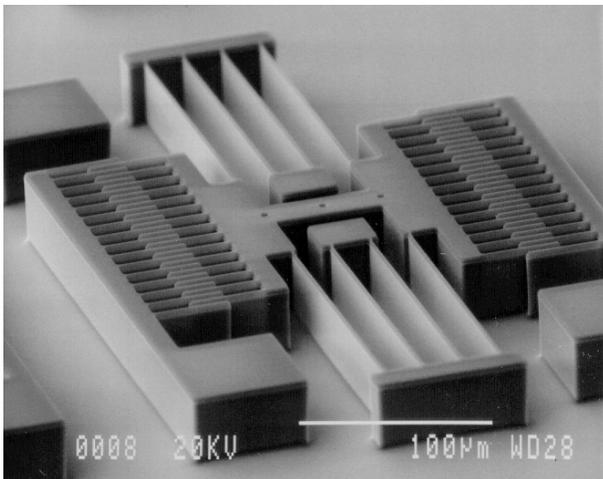
**SSS**



**Robert Bosch**



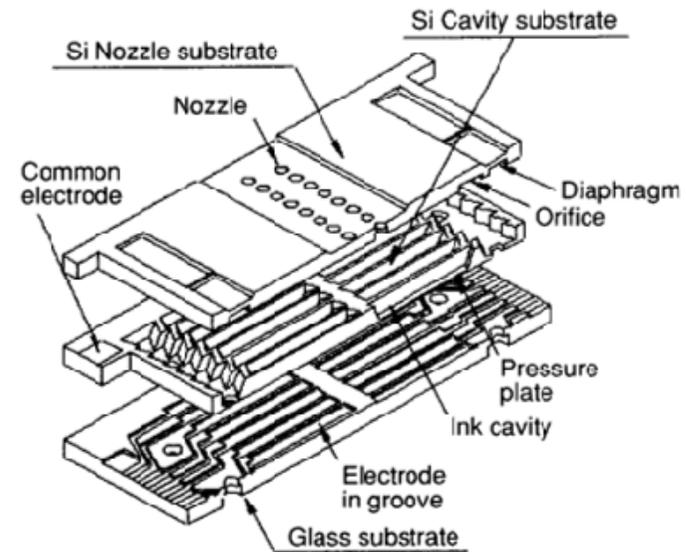
**Toyota**



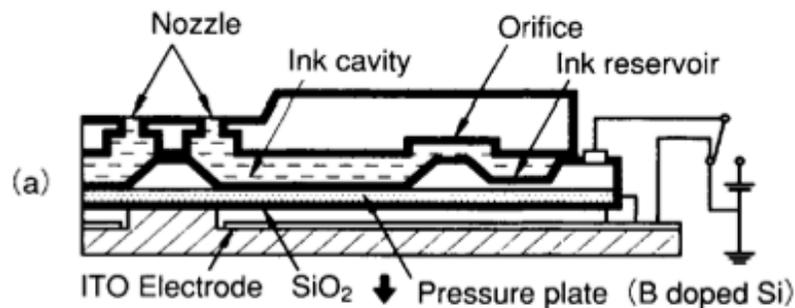
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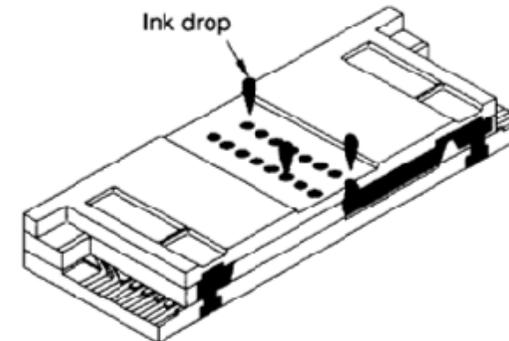
## SEIKO EPSON



**Fig.2 Exploded perspective view of the head chip**



**Fig.4 The mechanism of ink ejection**



**Fig.3 Perspective and cross sectional view of assembled the head chip**

(Masahiro Fujii, “Micromachining Process for Inkjet Printer Head “SEAJet””, Japan Institute of Electronics Packaging Vol.5, No.6 (2002))



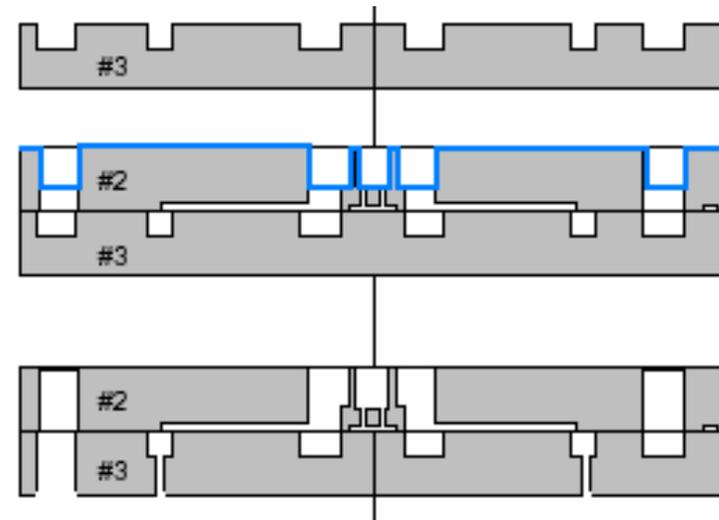
A. H. Epstein et al., Macro Power from Micro Machinery, Science, Vol.276, p.1211 (1997.5)

L.Frechette, Development of a Microfabricated Silicon Motor-Driven Compression System

1) STS etch blades and plenums (150 um) on front side (Mask C6)

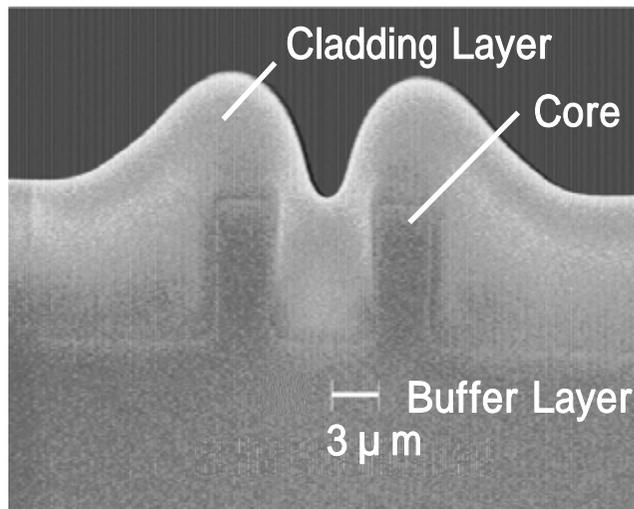
2) Bond RP to FEP, creating a tether attached to the rotor

3) STS etch journal bearing (300 um) on back side (Mask C7), and remove protective layer

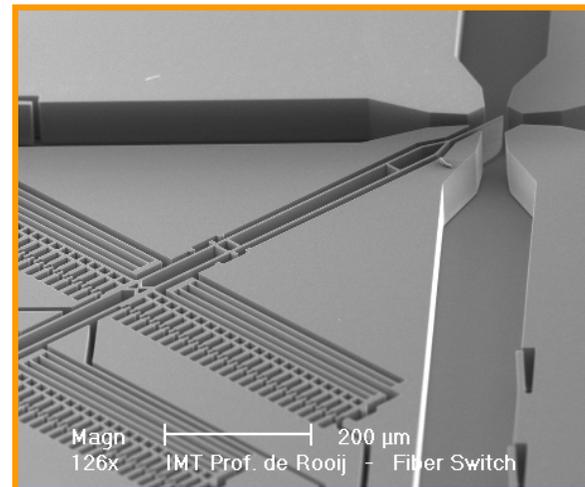




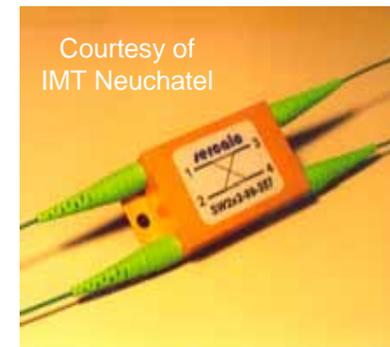
- High-speed data transmission
- Reduced telecommunications infrastructure cost
- Increased system reliability
- Versatile data handling

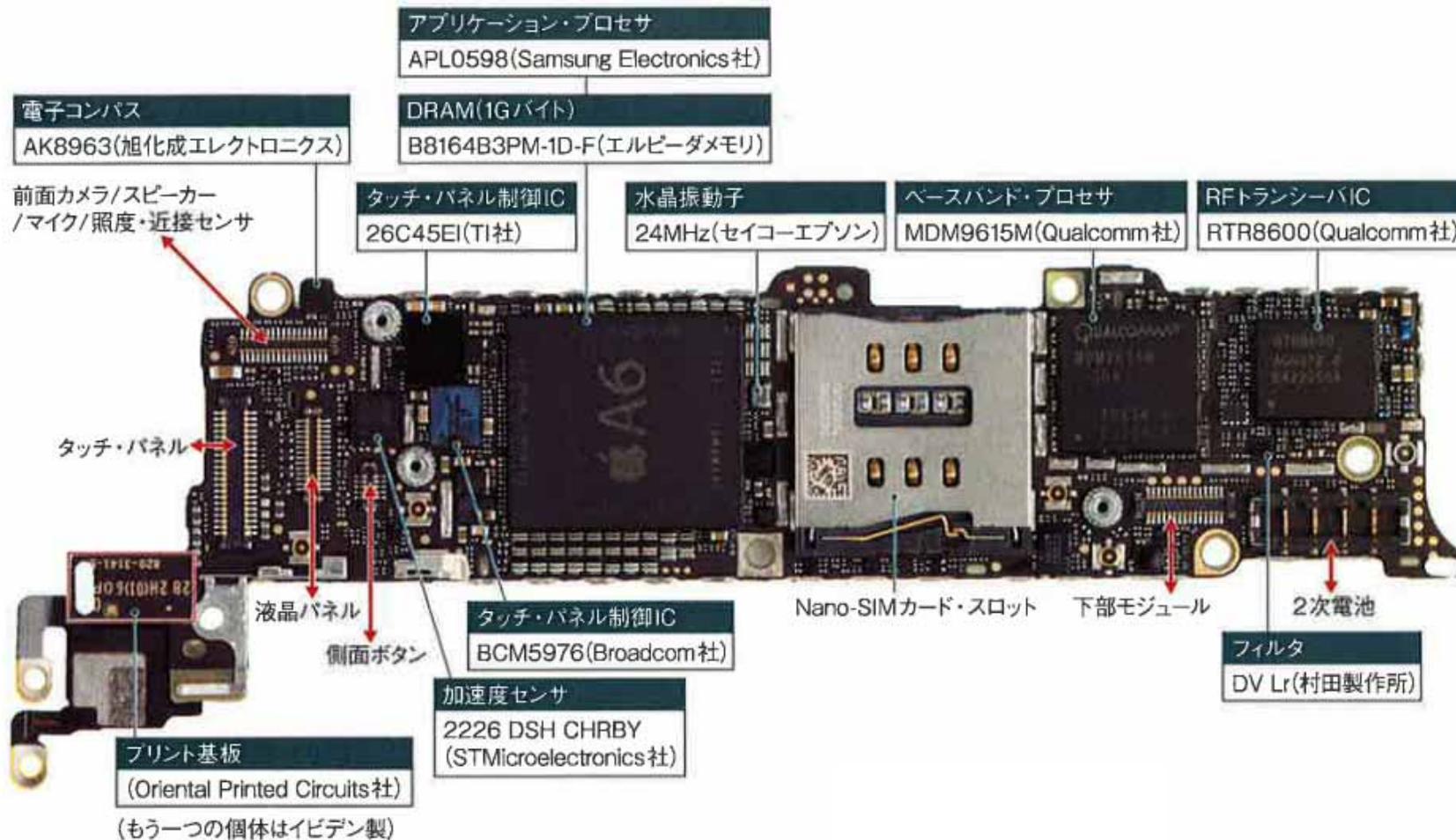


Waveguide



Optical MEMS Switch





(Source: NIKKEI ELECTRONICS, October 15, 2012, pp13)

## ~ MEMS Gyroscope, Motion and Magnetic Sensor ~



**Gyroscope**



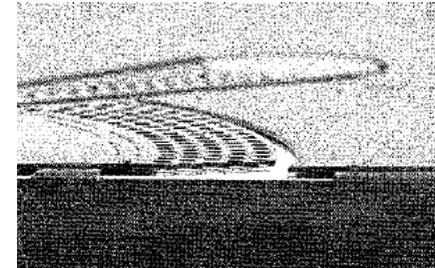
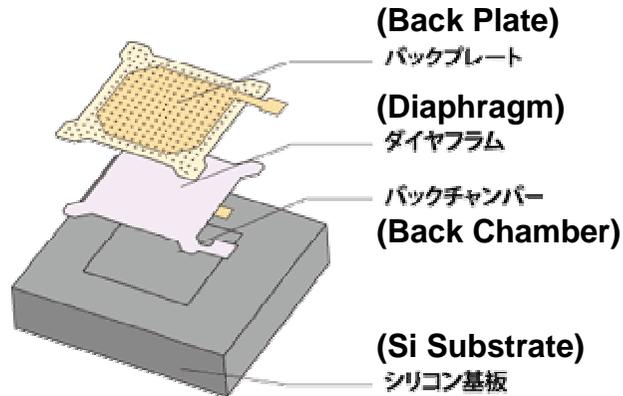
**Motion and Magnetic Sensor**

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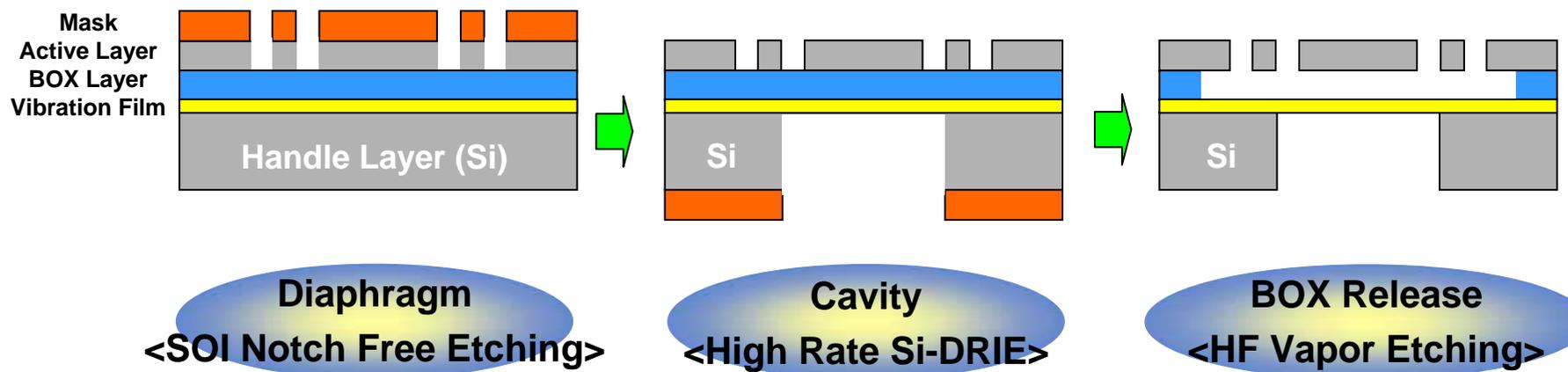
## ~ Si Microphone ~



(Courtesy of Hitachi Haramachi Electronics)

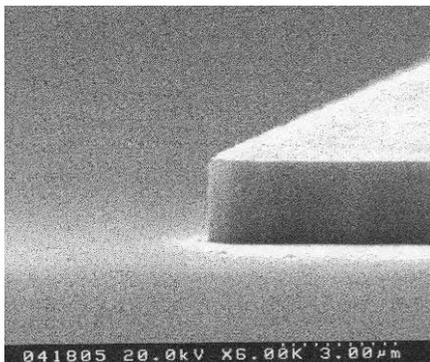
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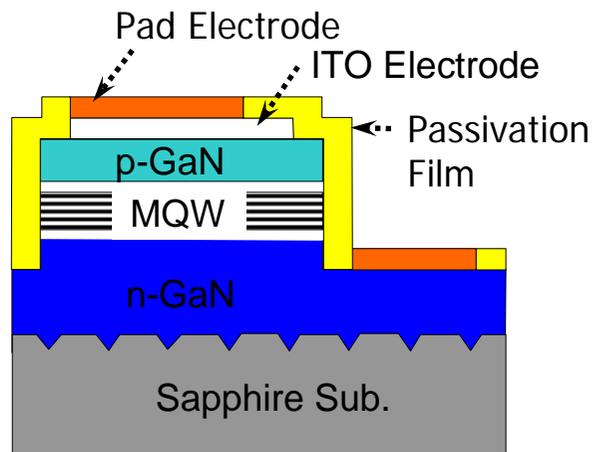


~ LED ~

5 megapixel camera with LED flash  
in iPhone4



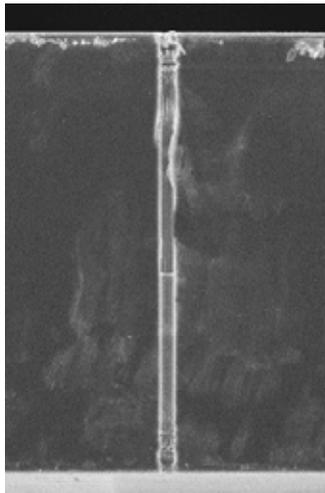
GaN Etching



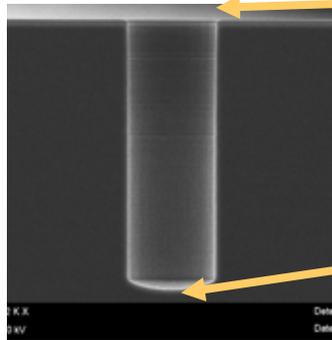
## ~ Advanced Packaging - TSV ~

### 3D Interconnect

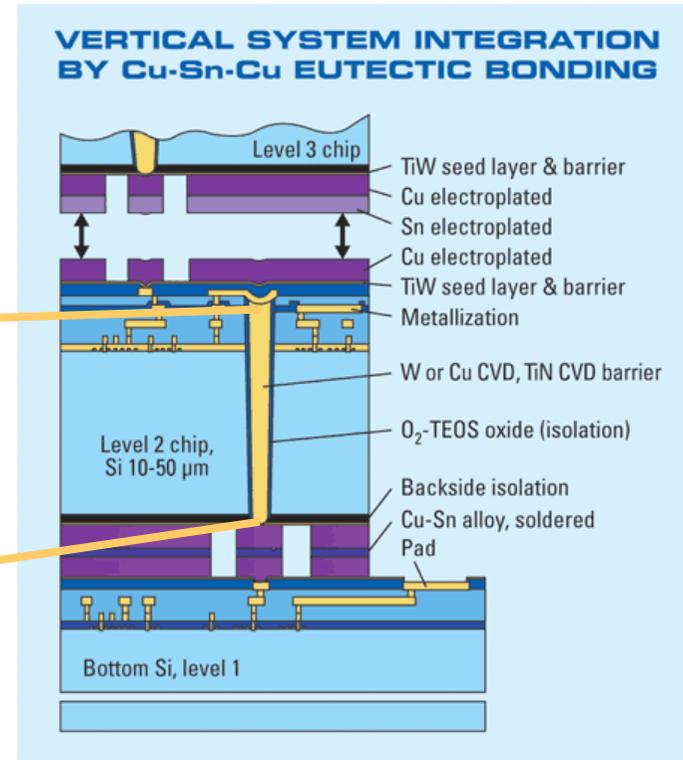
- Enables wafer level, chip scale packaging
- Increased device speed due to shorter interconnect



**400µm Via Hole courtesy of STMicroelectronics**

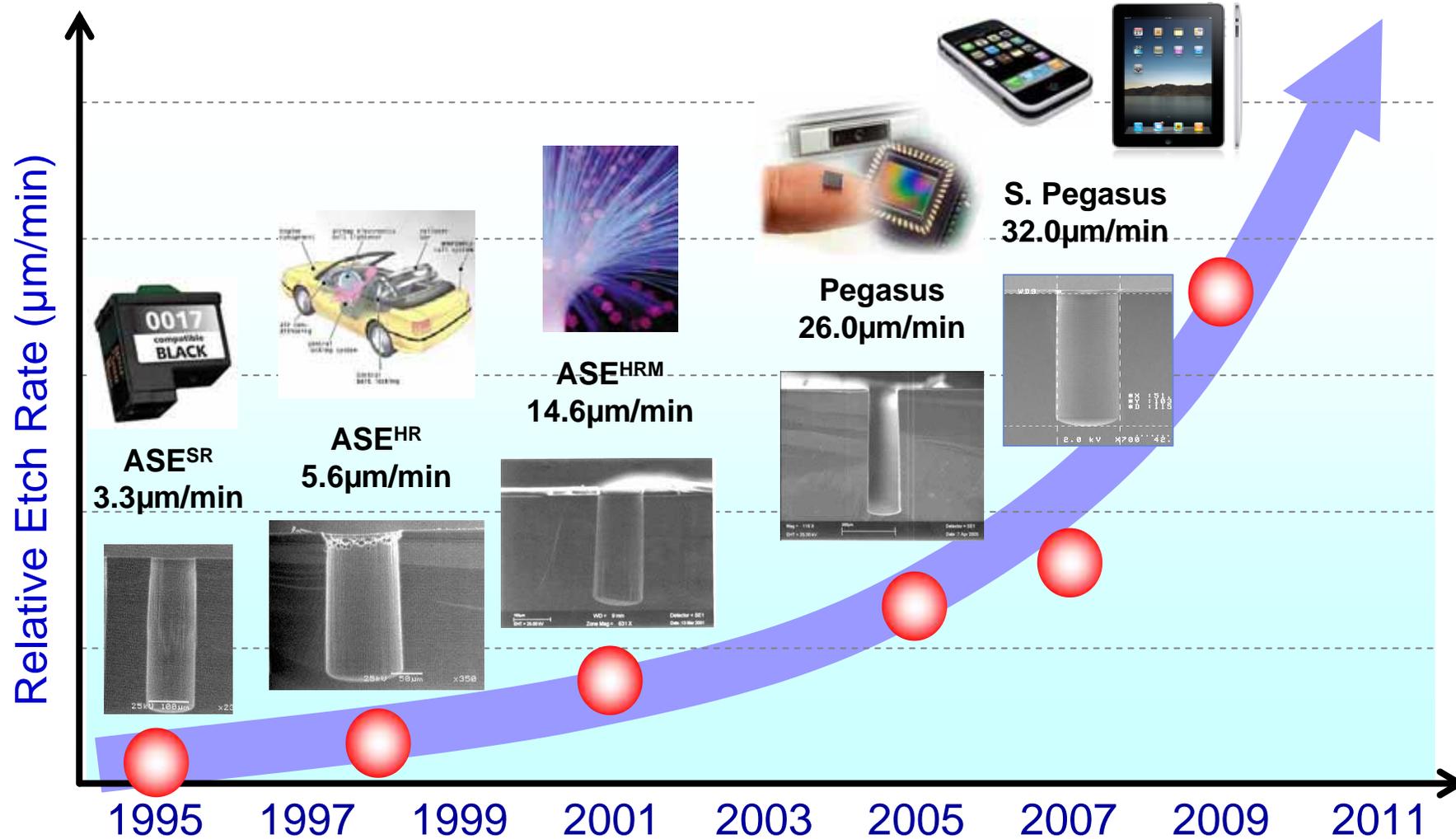


**60µm Diameter Via Hole etched to a depth of 200µm**



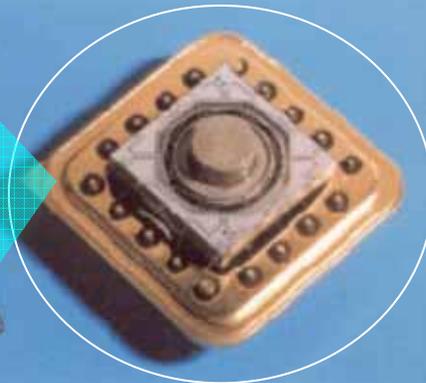


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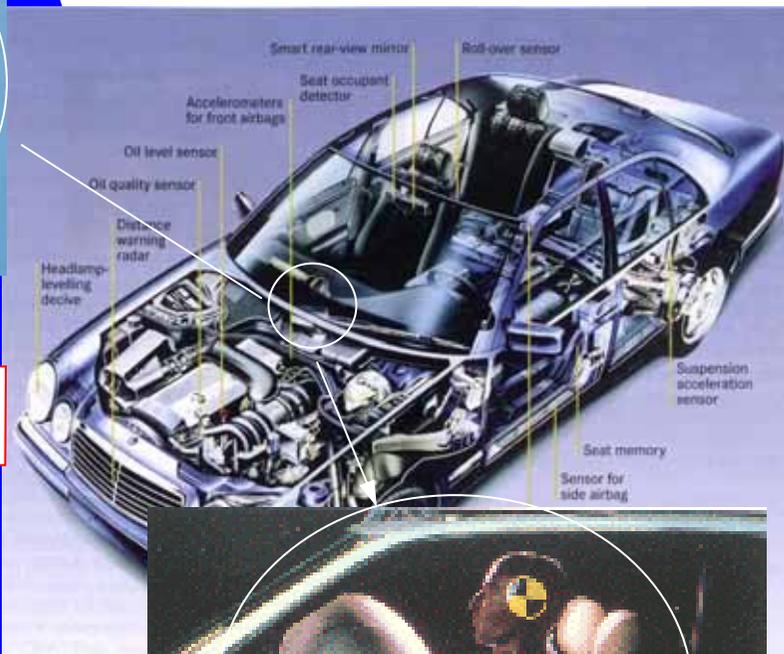


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**Packaged Device**



**System Integration**

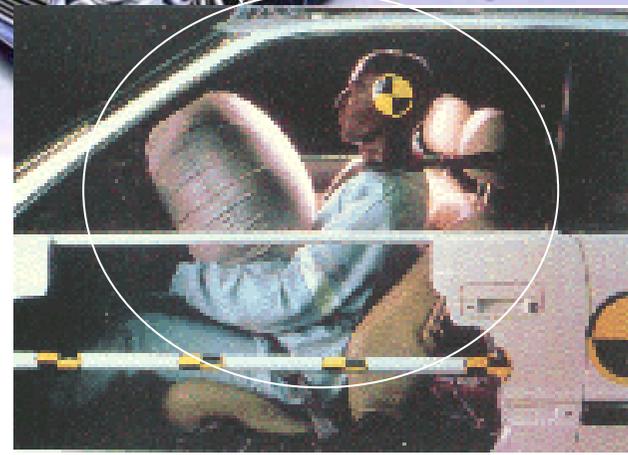
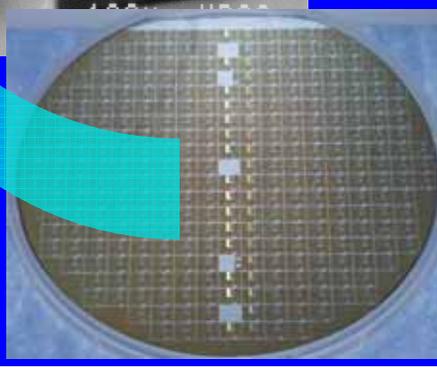


**SPP ASE Process Technology**

**MEMS Chip**

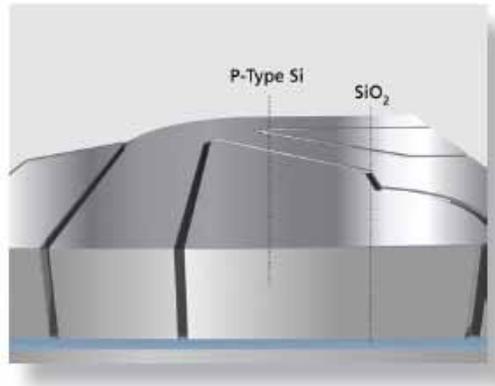


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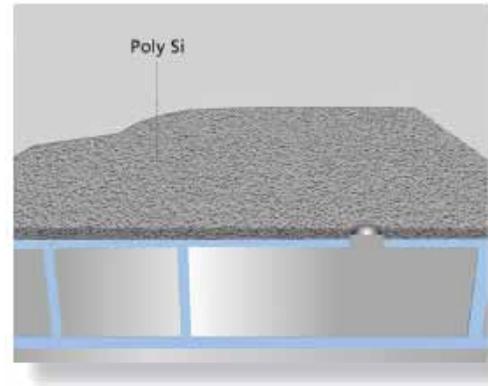


**Application**

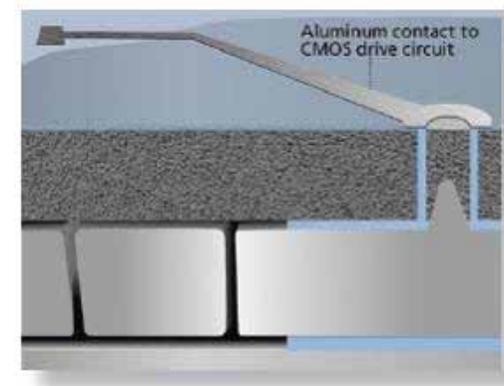
### SiTime MEMS Oscillator



Si-DRIE

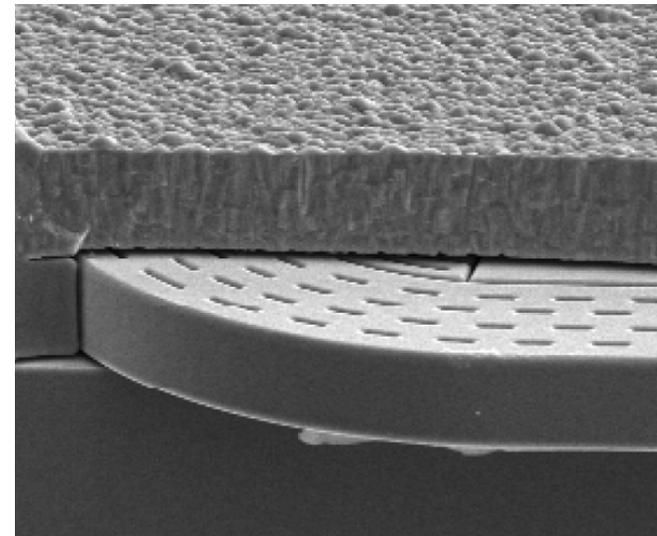


Oxide layer fill  
poly-Si Cap

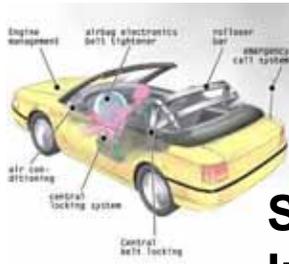


Etching & release  
Thick poly-Si Cap

**Process combination with Si-DRIE (ASE) and Sacrificial layer etching (Primaxx CET)**



(Courtesy of SiTime)



**Silicon  
Inertial  
Sensors**



**Ink Jet Heads**



**Optical MEMS  
Switching**



**Advanced  
Packaging**



**Micro Fluidics  
'Lab on a chip'**



**MEMS Pressure  
Sensors**



**Power Devices**

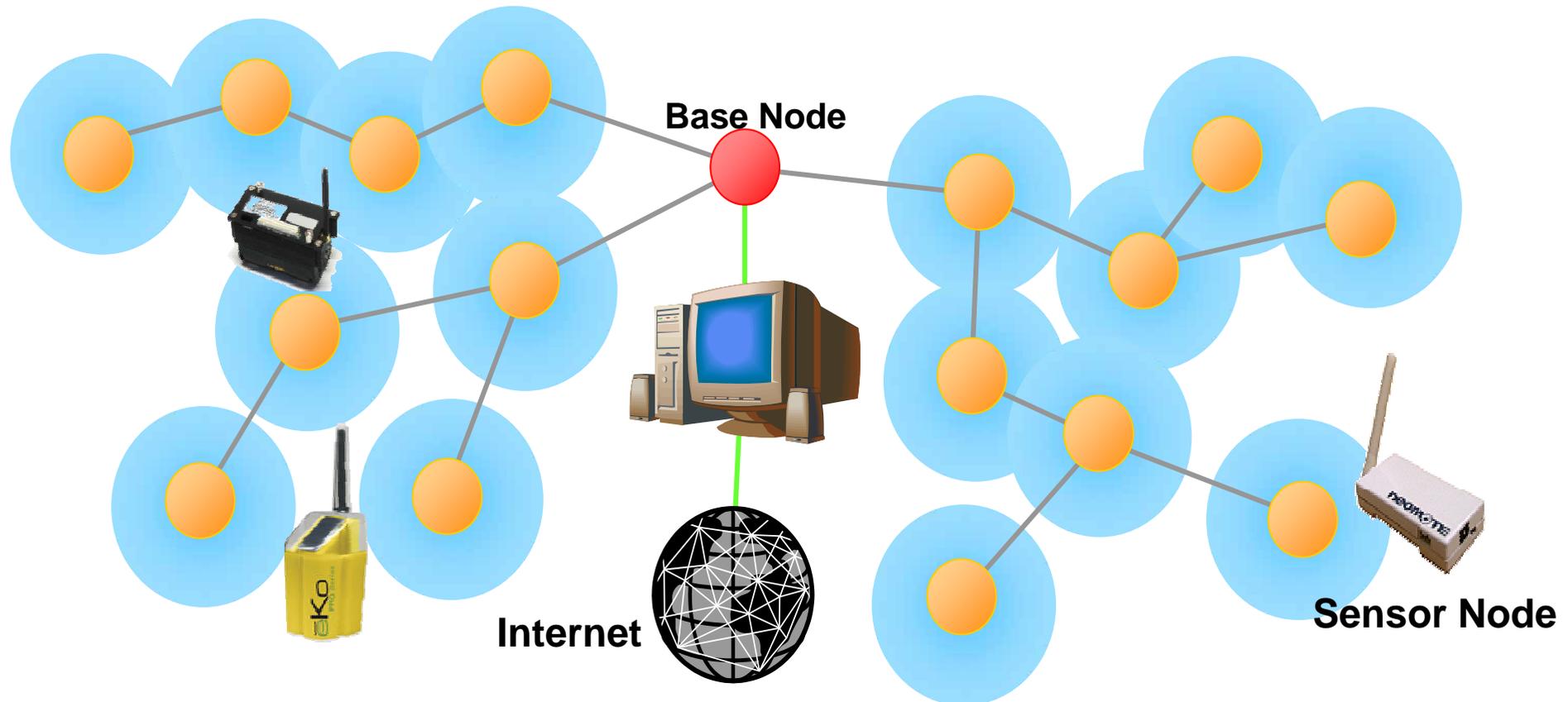


**RF MEMS  
De-coupling  
Capacitors**



## *MEMS Commercial Applications*

- Each sensor node forms multi-hop wireless route to the base station; AND self-heals.
- Saves wiring costs on industrial metering or energy-saving system. Because of wireless, a layout change requires no re-wiring costs.
- **SPP/Crossbow's NeoMOTE** has numerous deployment cases in various situations: proven immunity in communication robustness.



Wireless monitoring the electric power, temp etc  
--> Control the energy saving (Smart Grid)

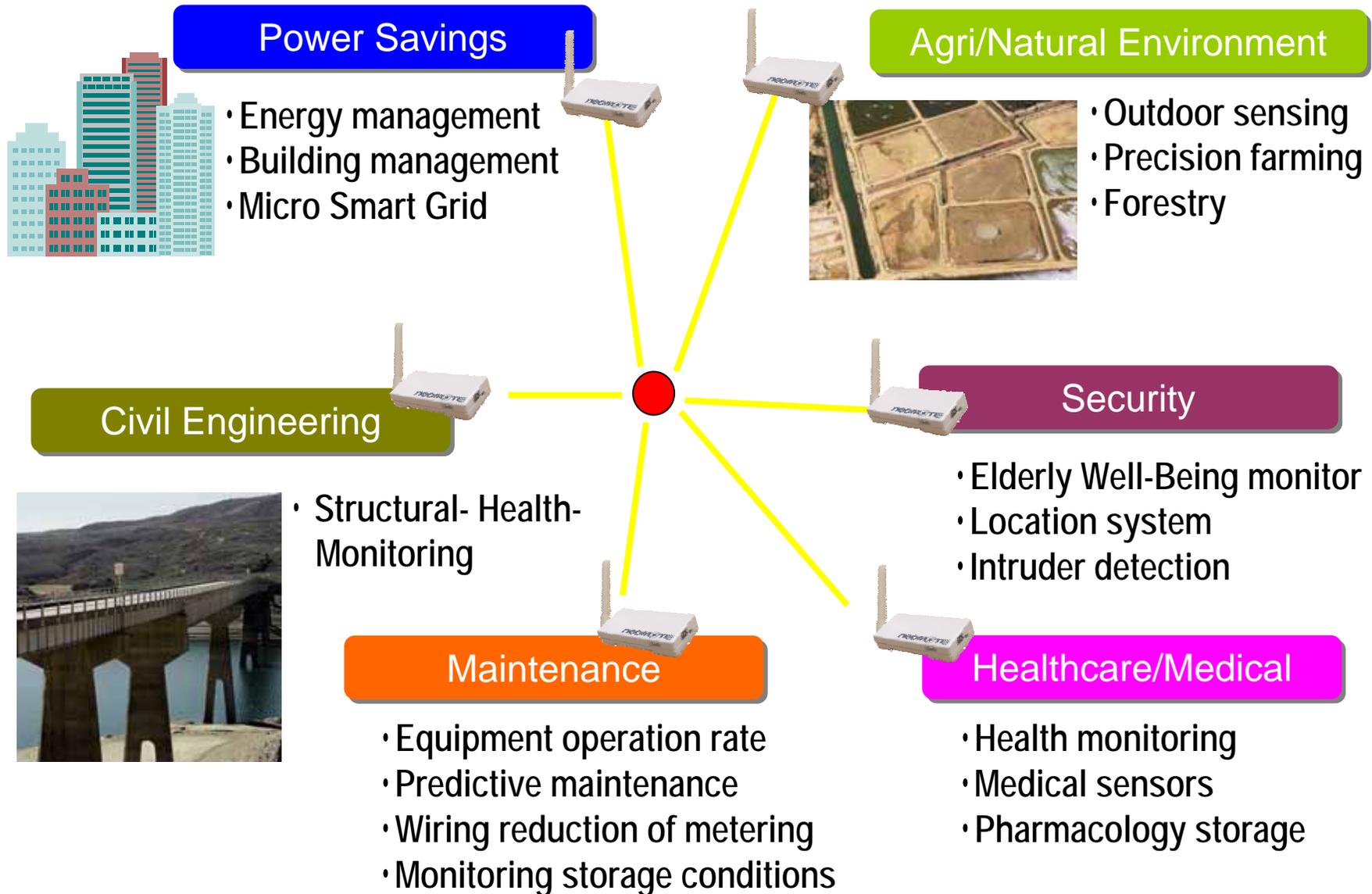


**Information by mail alarm**



Wireless monitoring the temp and vibration without circuiteer  
Monitoring the state of conservation





## Si DRIE



**ASE-Predeus / Pegasus / Pegasus300 / SRE**

## Comp.Semi. / Dielectric Etch



**APS / ICP / SPTS-Omega**

## Isotropic SiO<sub>2</sub> Release Etch(HF)



**SLE-Ox / SPTS-CET25 / SPTS-uEtch**

## Chemical Vapor Deposition



**PE-CVD / SPTS-Delta**

## Physical Vapor Deposition



**SPTS-Sigma**

## Furnace



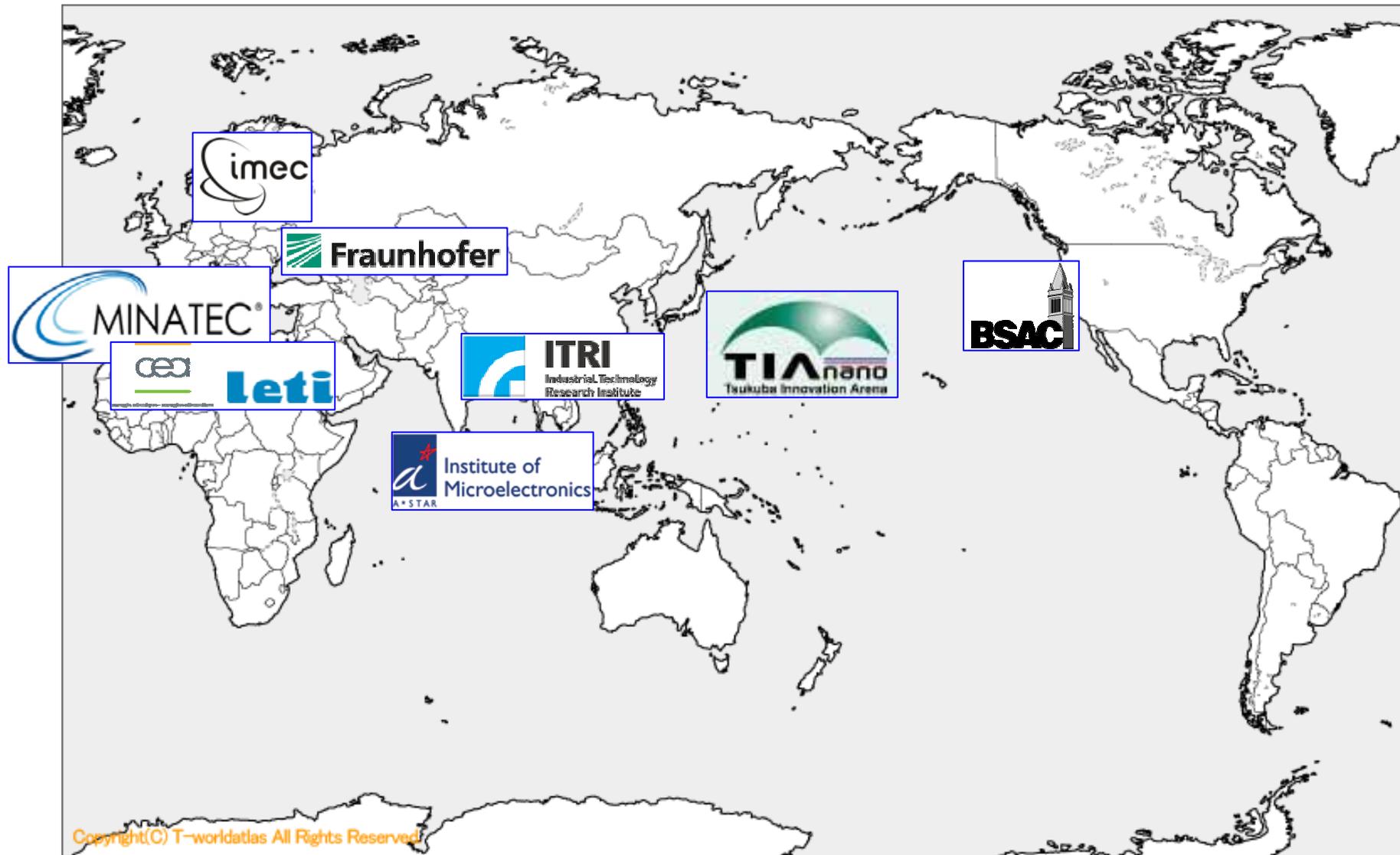
**SPTS-AVP / RVP / RVP300plus**

## Isotropic Si Release Etch(XeF<sub>2</sub>)



**SPTS-XACTIX-Xetch / CVE**

# Relationship with Worldwide Institutes





# Fraunhofer ENAS

## Started Project-Center between Tohoku Univ. and Fraunhofer ENAS (April, 2012)



FhG Germany – Sendai city partnership singing ceremony in Munich (July 15, 2005)



1st Fraunhofer Symposium in Sendai (October 19, 2005)

(Courtesy of Prof. Esashi of Tohoku University)

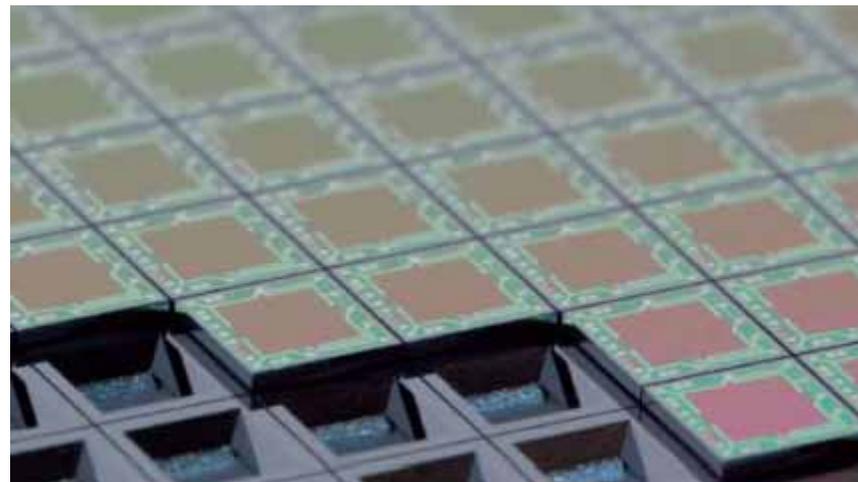


Prof. Thomas Gessner

Director of Fraunhofer Institute for ENAS (Electronic Nano Systems)

Prof. in Chemnitz University of Tech.

PI in WPI-AIMR, Tohoku University



## Pressure Sensor using Wafer-level Bonding

(Source: Sendai MEMS Show Room in Micro System Integration Center, Tohoku University)



**CEA-Leti**

**07/10/2010- CEA-Leti and SPTS to collaborate on next-generation TSV development**

*Leading Research Institute and Equipment Maker to Develop New Process Technologies for 3D-ICs*

**TOKYO, Japan, and GRENoble, France – Oct. 6, 2010** – CEA-Leti and SPP Process Technology Systems (SPTS) today announced an agreement to develop advanced 300mm through-silicon via (TSV) 3D-IC processes at CEA-Leti's 300mm facilities in Grenoble, France. The agreement defines their collaboration on a range of 3D TSV processes to optimize etch and deposition technologies used to create next-generation high aspect ratio TSVs.

The partners will research alternative hardware and processes to address the need for new methods of cost-effective via fill. In some via-middle applications, where the via is created between contact and first back end of line (BEOL) metal layer, via aspect ratios may extend beyond 10:1, and these very high aspect ratios require a new approach to current etch and deposition techniques.

- Strategic alliances between tool vendors and technology developers will accelerate 3D-IC development

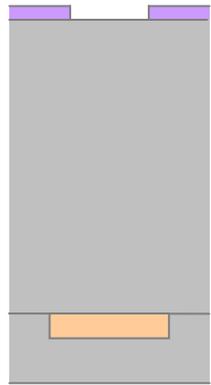


Laurent Malier (CEO CEA-LETI) & Susumu Kaminaga (President SPP & Chairman SPTS) signing the agreement in Oct 2010; receiving the first Leti 300mm wafer in Jan 2011

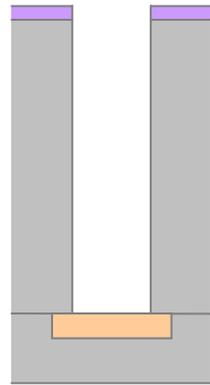




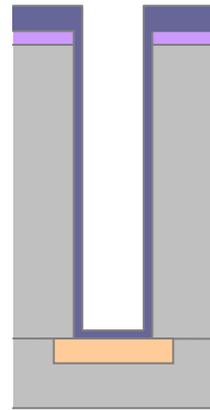
# Fraunhofer IZM



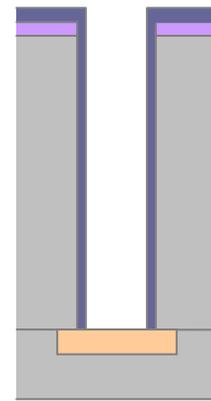
Open multilevel oxide



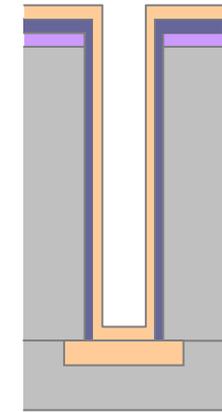
Open deep Si via



Deposit dielectric isolation liner



Open liner at base



Deposit metal barrier & seed



APS



Si-DRIE



PE-CVD

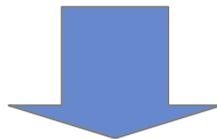


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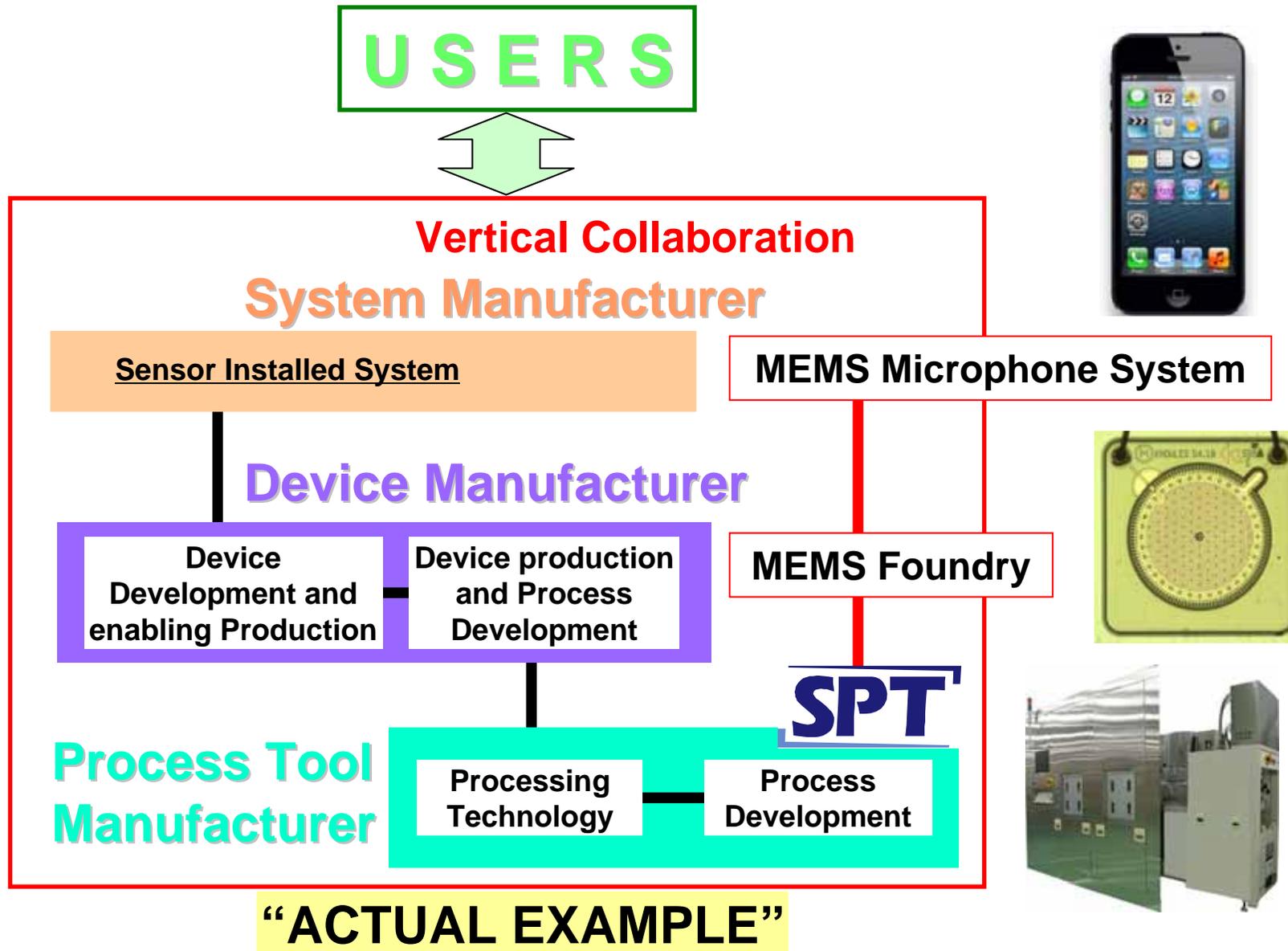


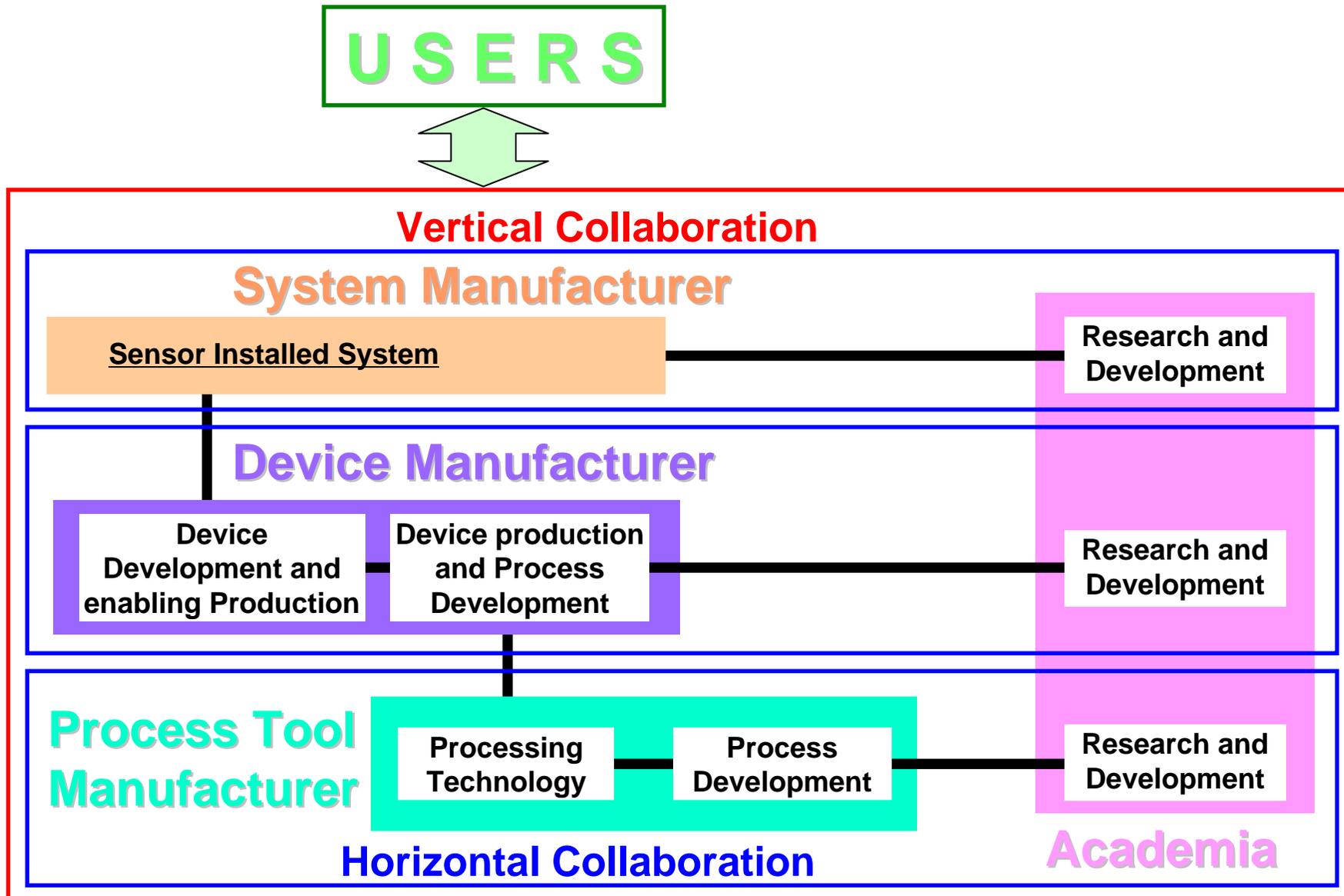
Sigma: PVD

- **Technologies are available for**
  - **Process**
  - **Devices**
  - **Systems**
- **Technologies are ready for further development to satisfy emerging application.**



- **New demand (usage/application) is required.**





**MIG Conference Japan 2014  
and  
MEMS Engineer Forum 2014**

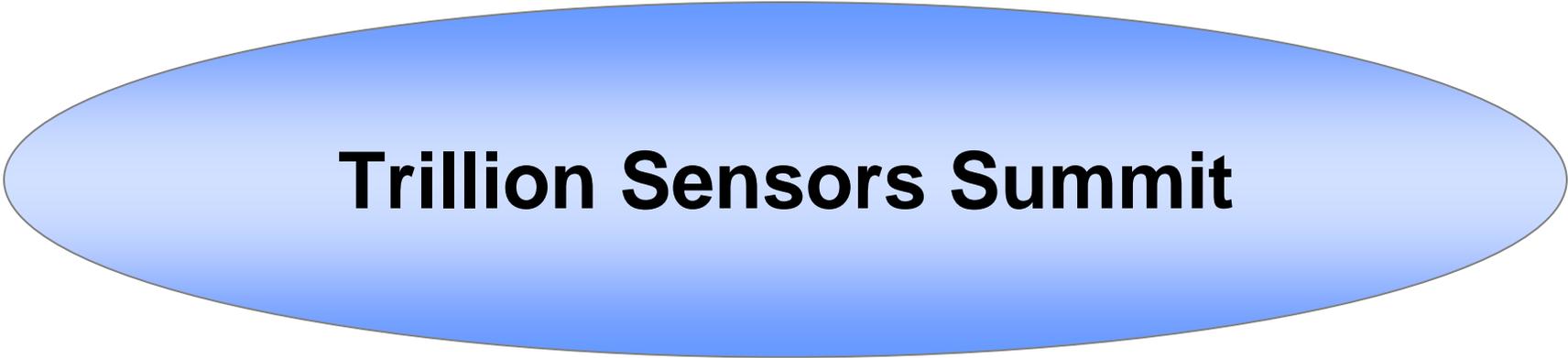
## **MEMS Industry Group<sup>®</sup> (MIG)**

- the trade association advancing MEMS across global markets
- holds MEMS Executive Congress US and MEMS Executive Congress Europe
- now, MEMS Industry Group Conference Japan

## **MEMS Engineer Forum (MEF)**

- a unique opportunity operated mainly among engineers close to the MEMS technology
- held annually with MEMS researchers, developers, engineers gathering in one place since the start in March 2009
- the mission is the fusion and creation of the new movement based on MEMS

**MIG and MEF co-located this year here in Ryogoku**

The title 'Trillion Sensors Summit' is centered within a large, light blue, horizontally-oriented oval shape. The text is in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

# Trillion Sensors Summit

- Mar. 2013:** “Trillion Sensors Universe” workshop at University of California, Berkeley
- Oct. 2013:** “Trillion Sensors Summit 2013” at Stanford University
- Feb. 2014:** “Trillion Sensors Summit Japan 2014”
- Aug. 2014:** “Trillion Sensors Summit China” (TBD)
- Sep. 2014:** “Trillion Sensors Summit Germany”
- Nov. 2014:** “Trillion Sensors Summit US”
- Dec. 2014:** “Trillion Sensors Summit Japan”

- **Abundance movement forecasts elimination in one generation (20 to 30 years) of major global problems.**
- **Abundance forecasts the need for (among others) 45 trillion sensors, many not yet developed.**
- **Historical sensor development cycles from prototypes in academic labs to volume production were 30 years.**
- **TSensors (Trillion Sensors) Movement aims at acceleration of new sensors development cycle.**

- **TSensors Roadmap**

**TSensors Summits will collect visions for the ultrahigh volume sensor applications likely to emerge over the next decade.**

- **TSensors Movement Strategy**

- 1. Invite visionaries to “invent” new sensor applications expected to drive ultrahigh volume demand for sensors.**
- 2. Group these applications into the common application platforms (TApps).**
- 3. Develop TSensors Roadmap**
- 4. Develop strategy for selected sensor technology platforms development acceleration, e.g.**
- 5. Facilitate funding of the acceleration effort.**



# **MEMS Improve Your Life**

## MEMS sensors contribute to improvement of society ;

- **Environment**      **(Sensor Network)**
- **Energy**              **(Energy Harvest / Sensor Network)**
- **Security**              **(Sensor Network)**
- **Life**                      **(Bio Technology)**



# Summary

**MEMS contribute to innovation in your life on the basis that**

- ***Global Fusion of System / Device / Process is essential for MEMS.***
- ***Global Fusion of Various Specialities such as Electro / Mechanical / Electronic / Optical / Bio-Medical is also essential.***
- ***Global Fusion of Knowledge/ Technology/ Usage is further essential.***

Toward a Promising Future



***Thank you for your attention !***

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