

SLiM 100

A 1-ppb Class Chemical Metrology System for
Lithography Process Tool Monitoring

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- Broadband CRDS technology for VOC speciation
- Accommodates up to 4 Picarro analyzers to measure organic and inorganic compounds
- Fast system response
- Automated reference and clean cycles
- User-configurable graphing and trend analysis
- Available with 24 or 32 sample ports
- Supports 100+m inlet tube lengths
- Minimal stabilization time when switching from port to port
- No 3rd party integrator required
- Fab production ready



Picarro SLiM 100 Lithography Monitoring System

Overview

As design features shrink, small amounts of airborne molecular contamination (AMC) from volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are resulting in significant increases in non-visual defects on reticles and wafers. Crystal growth defects on reticles, hazing of scanner optics, and t-topping of photoresists are some of the serious problems that are caused by the presence of undesired VOCs. Ultimately, these contaminants not only damage expensive lithography tools; they result in yield loss on the wafer. To mitigate the negative effects of VOCs in the lithography process, fab operators need to measure VOCs at very low concentration levels. This is very difficult to do in the fab environment with traditional technologies because they are slow and difficult to use.

The **Picarro SLiM 100 Lithography Monitoring System** is a 1-ppb class detection system that integrates Picarro's industry leading cavity ring-down spectroscopy (CRDS) analyzers into a high-performance sampling system specifically for monitoring VOCs in the fab. The SLiM 100 system is a real-time measurement system that is designed to run 24/7 in the fab environment. It is a fully integrated chemical metrology system that is robust, easy-to-operate, and is ideal for use as a high-volume process monitoring and control system. The Picarro SLiM 100 has the capability to measure 10 organic compounds that negatively affect the lithography process with concentration sensitivity down to 1 part-per-billion. The system can also accommodate analyzers that measure inorganic molecules at parts-per-trillion concentration levels.

System Software

- Easily configure recipe to define sampling times and locations, and schedule a recipe to run any time
- Generate customized data visualization of all species in real-time and analyze historic data
- Set threshold levels to identify excursions and detect faults
- Ensure security with single sign-on user management
- Connect to remote host using Restful API



SLiM 100 Software

SLiM 100 Specifications	
Gas Detected	VOC: Acetic Acid, Acetone, D3 Siloxane, HMDSO, IPA, PGME, TMS, D6 Siloxane, NMP, PGMEA Inorganic (Optional): NH ₃ , HF, HCl, SO ₂ , H ₂ S (Depending on choice of analyzers from table below)
Sampling Line	1/2" OD x 3/8" ID UHP-PFA tubing
Number of Ports	24 or 32
Dimensions	Keyboard Tray Closed 79" (H) x 34" (W) x 38" (D) 2012 mm (H) x 864 mm (W) x 971 mm (D)
	Keyboard Tray Open 79" (H) x 34" (W) x 46" (D) 2012 mm (H) x 864 mm (W) x 1172 mm (D)
Weight (without Analyzers)	24 Port: 447 lbs (203 kg) 32 Port: 482 lbs (218 kg) Add 75 lbs (34 kg) for each analyzer
Power Requirements	220-240 VAC single phase, 50/60 Hz, 20 Amp
Communication	Ethernet TCP/IP, RESTful API

Analyzers	Gases Measured	VOC	Typical Performance** Precision (ppb), 600s, 3σ
VOC Analyzer	VOC-10*		
SI3401	NH ₃ , HF, HCl	ACETIC ACID	1.4
SI2205	HF	ACETONE	0.7
SI2108	HCl	D3_SILOXANE	0.2
SI2104	H ₂ S	D6_SILOXANE	0.1
SI2306	HF, NH ₃	HMDSO	0.7
SI2103	NH ₃	IPA	1.4
SI5450	SO ₂	NMP	0.5
		PGME	1.8
		PGMEA	0.7
		TMS	1.6

* VOC (Acetic Acid, Acetone, D3 Siloxane, HMDSO, IPA, PGME, TMS, D6 Siloxane, NMP, PGMEA)

** Typical Performance under standard background gas

Part Numbers (Other Combinations Available)	
SL100-24-EK00	24 port AMC system for NH ₃ , HF, VOC
SL100-32-K000	32 port AMC system for VOC
SL100-32-AK00	32 port stationary AMC system for NH ₃ , HF, HCl, VOC