

# Micro and Nanotechnology from Glasgow





# Some of the toolset.....

## E-beam lithography Raith VB6 & Nanobeam NB5





## **EVG Nanoimprint**



## 14 RIE / PECVD



### **Clustered RIE/PECVD/ALD/Auger**



## 6 Metal dep tools



## **Furnace Tubes**



5 SEMs



**Bruker Icon AFM** 





# Conductors

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Can deposit and pattern conductors
Cu, Ni, Pt, Al, NiCr, Au, Ge, Ti, TaN, Pd, Mo, TiN, Nb, VO<sub>5</sub>
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Insulators/dielectrics Can deposit and pattern insulators SiO<sub>2</sub>, SiN,  $AI_2O_3$ , HfO<sub>2</sub>, AIN, diamond

Semiconductors

Can define patterns in a range of semiconductors Si, Ge, GaAs, InP, GaSb, GaN



# The following are some examples of devices that have recently been produced in the JWNC using the extensive nanofabrication toolset



# Some idea of lengthscales









# Same scalebar size as previous image



# Zoom in by ~400x





# Zoom in by ~100x



# **Magneto Optical Traps and Paul Ion Taps**





## **KNT & NPL Innovate UK Funding**





# C.C. Nshii et al. Nature Nano. 8, 321 (2013)









## **MEMS Gravimeter**





## R.P. Middlemiss et al. Nature 531, 614 (2016)

Aim: ≤10 ng/√Hz relative gravimeter with integrated squeezed light interferometer



**40 ng/**√**Hz gravimeter achieved** 





# **Ge Plasmonics Challenges**

## Monolithic integrated plasmonic sensor



Agressive µ-bolometer scaling



Surface normal Ge QWIP ~ 10  $\mu m$ 



**Cheap & integrable MIR Source** 



3 to 5  $\mu m$  gas detection window







## Ge & GeSn Lasers: Cavities





heaters

Separate n- and p-type few cm<sup>2</sup> substrates

- ≥ 10 µm photolith
- ≥ 20 µm SiGe SF<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>8</sub> ICP-RIE
- Ohmic metal (Ni or Ag(1% Sb), TiN, W / Cu)
- PECVD Si<sub>x</sub>N<sub>y</sub>
  - ≥ 0.5 µm photolith / EBL

Thermometers: Ti/Pd / Ti/Pt

- ≥ 10 µm photolith
- Metal bond pads (AI)
- Bumps: ≥ 10 µm photolith, In evaporation
- Flip-chip-bond: alignment ≤ 20 μm, 120 °C







#### Nanoscale force measurements



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#### Nanolithography of dots – an ideal model system

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#### Gadegaard et al., Microelec Eng 2003



#### Topographical control of stem cell fate



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Dalby and Gadegaard et al., Nature Materials 2007



# **Photon-counting technology**





# Photon detection in superconductors

Typically superconducting energy gap  $\Delta \sim meV$ .

=> Superconductors make extremely sensitive detectors from X-ray to Terahertz wavelengths.

One optical photon creates ~100–1000 excited electrons (superconducting gap ~2\_meV for NbN). cf semiconductor – one optical photon creates one electron-hole pair, typical band gap 1-2 eV).





# Superconducting nanowire single photon detector

#### **Key Properties**

- Wide spectral range (visible mid R)
- Operates at 4 K (not mK)
- Free running (no gating required
- Low dark counts
- Low timing jitter
- Short recovery time

A rapidly improving technology!

Original Concept: Gol'tsman et al Applied Physics Letters 79 705 (2001)

Topical Review: Natarajan et al Superconductor Science & Technology 25 063001 (2012) Open Access



## Waveguide Integrated SNSPDs

#### Gold contacts and alignment marks

- E-beam lithography
- Metal evap & lift-off





10.0kV 14.0mm x50.0k SE(U)

## Waveguide Integrated SNSPDs





Layer to layer alignment across 3 stages of e-beam lithography ± 20nm



# **RTD THz Oscillators from JWNC**



- Polyimide process
- BCB Process
- CPW & Microstrip technologies
- NiCr resistors & SiNx MIM caps



### 165 GHz Oscillator



300 GHz Oscillator



# **Research to Small Scale Manufacture**

# Thermocouples on Si pyramids





Scale up: from single devices to wafers

![](_page_23_Picture_6.jpeg)

# 75 mm wafer manufacture

![](_page_23_Picture_8.jpeg)

100% of thermal AFM probes manufactured in Glasgow JWNC

![](_page_24_Picture_0.jpeg)

#### Project 2 - Diamond Cantilvers and MEMS Andy McGlone (Phil Dobson, Manlio Tassieri & Julien Reboud)

![](_page_24_Figure_2.jpeg)

Diamond cantilevers

www.nedds.co.uk

Electronic Diamond

Devices and Systems

# University of Glasgow

### Dry etching of diamond cantilevers

### Diamond Etch

- Oxford Instruments System 100 RIE
- Ar/O2 gas mixture
- Etch rate ~ 22 nm/m

![](_page_25_Picture_6.jpeg)

- Silicon Etch
- STS ICP
- C4F8 Mixed process
- KOH wet etch
- Minimal undercut

![](_page_25_Picture_12.jpeg)

Critical features down to ~ 300nm

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## 2.1 nanowire formation by ebl and etching

WP2

![](_page_26_Figure_2.jpeg)

![](_page_26_Figure_3.jpeg)

Capacitance ( $\mu$ F/cm<sup>2</sup>)

0.5

0.4 0.3

0.2

0.1

0.0

-3

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Demonstration of III-V fins with vertical sidewalls using Cl<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> dry etch chemistry in conjunction with digital etching for recovery of etch damage

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![](_page_26_Figure_8.jpeg)

CV-C

1 kHz 10 kHz

– 100 kHz •1 MHz

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## ST1.1.3 – Vertically etched nanowires - ALE

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### Lateral ALE of InGaAs - I

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Iga160823b: HBr-Ar ALE for lateral etch at 20°C the original wire as shown in right hand side Surface midification step: HBr/Ar=25sccm/25sccm-ICP/Platen=500w/5w/4s/bias ~0v

Modified layer removal step: Ar=50sccm-ICP/Platen=2000w/5w/10s/bias 55v 30cycles

![](_page_28_Picture_5.jpeg)

Iga160819a: wire etched in  $Cl_2/CH_4/H_2/O_2$ chemistry with ICP etcher at 120°C for 1m55s

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#### Process Module Development – Recent Progress (**New Data**)

	Alignment Markers			
)	HSQ patterning	Chemistry	$SF_6/N_2$	
	Nanowire Etch	Flow rates (sccm)	25/25	
		Power (W)	25	
	ALD High-k gate dielectric deposition	Pressure (mT)	10	
	ALD TiN gate metal deposition	Bias (V)	100	
)	Anisotropic gate etch for sidewall metal only	Time (s)	75s	
)	ALD dielectric deposition			
)	BCB spacer patterning		6	
)	BCB spacer etch back InGaAs Fin TiN			
)	Isotropic etch of dielectric to expose TiN gate			
	Patterning and etch back of BCB spacer, high-k			
	Mesa isolation			
	Substrate contact patterning			
	SU8 spacer patterning			
)	Gate metal bondpad patterning SU8200 10.0kV 13.7mm x10	NOK SE(U)	50	י י Onm

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I	Nanowire Etch	Power (W)	100
	ALD High-k gate dielectric deposition	Pressure (mT)	10
\$	ALD TiN gate metal deposition	Bias (V)	300
	Anisotropic gate etch for sidewall metal only	Time (s)	40s

ALD dielectric deposition

![](_page_30_Picture_4.jpeg)

![](_page_30_Figure_5.jpeg)