

NanoFrazor – A Nanolithography Tool for 2D & 3D devices

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NanoFrazor lithography systems were developed as a first true alternative or extension to standard mask-less nanolithography methods like electron beam lithography (EBL). In contrast to EBL they are based on thermal scanning probe lithography (t-SPL). Here a heatable ultra-sharp probe tip with an apex of a few nm is used for patterning and simultaneously inspecting complex nanostructures [1]. The heat impact from the probe on a thermal responsive resist generates those high-resolution nanostructures. The patterning depth of each individual pixel can be controlled with better than 1 nm precision using an integrated in-situ metrology method. Furthermore, the inherent imaging capability of the Nanofrazor technology allows for markerless overlay, which has been achieved with sub-5 nm accuracy [2] as well as it supports stitching layout sections together with < 10 nm error. Pattern transfer from such resist features below 10 nm resolution were demonstrated [3].

The application range for this new nanolithography technique is very broad. The presentation will include examples for (i) high-quality metal contacting of 2D materials [4], (ii) tuning photonic molecules [5], (iii) generating nanofluidic devices [6] and (iv) generating spintronic circuits [7]. Some of these applications have been enabled only due to the various unique capabilities of NanoFrazor lithography like the absence of damage from a charged particle beam.



Fig 1; l) Contacting process a MOS2 device example [4]; r) System illustration NanoFrazor Explore

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