

## Chemicals and Materials



### Chemical and Material Evaluation Minimizes Process Contamination

Chemical characterization and process contamination identification are critical for incoming quality control. The point of distribution (POD), and the point of use (POU) are key check points for ensuring that chemical species are at the proper concentration for semiconductor process steps.

Balazs™ NanoAnalysis utilizes state-of-the-art procedures and instrumentation to analyze the gases, chemicals and materials used in photovoltaic and semiconductor, disk drive, optoelectronic, LED, laser, flat panel display and other high technology processes. Balazs™ specializes in the application of inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) for ppb/ppt determination of metallic impurities in all required matrices. Other chemical analyses are available for identification of additional constituents within the sample, including ICP-OES, Ion chromatography, GC-MS, FTIR and GD-OES.

Balazs™ offers critical trace metal analysis by ICP-MS for low level and ultra low level detection limits in:

- Processing chemicals
- Etchants (wet and reactive ion etching)
- Cleaning chemicals (acids, bases, solvents)
- Photoresist materials (resists, edge bead removers, developers, ARCs)
- Dielectric materials, thin films, films stacks and advanced precursors
  - Low-k
  - High-k
  - Metal/barrier
  - Low T silicon, nitride
  - Ferroelectrics
  - Phase change memory
- Strippers
- Solvents
- Copper processing chemicals
- Selected CMP slurries
- Performance and other chemicals
- Parts: ceramics, gaskets, o-rings, polymers, quartz, graphite, sapphire

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## Trace Metal Packages

- 16 elements: Li, B, Na, Mg, Al, K, Ca, Ti, Cr, Mn, Fe, Ni, Cu, Zn, Sn, Pb
  - 30 elements: 16 elements plus Be, V, Co, Ga, Ge, As, Sr, Zr, Mo, Ag, Cd, Sb, Ba, Au
  - These packages are designed to cover the typical sources of contamination
  - Other elements and packages available by request
  - Analyses via high resolution and various collision-cell ICP-MS technologies
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## Special Analyses

- Identification of organic impurities in solvents by GC-MS
  - Assay by titration or chromatography
  - Low level anions by ion chromatography in chemicals
  - Particle Sizing and Counting (0.3 µm -10 µm)
  - Wet bench material qualification program
  - Other chemical analyses available as needed
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## Other Support Services

- Chemical sampling kits with pre-cleaned bottles
- Sampling service on-site, 1 hour minimum
- Pure liquid sampler for contamination-free sampling

## Chemical Groupings

### Group 1

1-Methyl-2-Pyrrolidone (NMP)  
2-Propanol (IPA)  
Acetic Acid  
Acetone  
Ammonium Hydroxide(NH<sub>4</sub>OH)  
Cyclohexanone  
Ammonium Fluoride Solution (NH<sub>4</sub>F)  
Hexamethyldisilazane (HMDS)  
Hydrochloric Acid (HCl)  
Hydrofluoric Acid (HF)

Hydrogen Peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)  
Methanol (MeOH)  
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (MEK)  
Methyl Isobutyl Ketone (MIBK)  
Mixed Acid Etchants (MAE),  
(HF:HNO<sub>3</sub>), (HF:HNO<sub>3</sub>:HOAc)  
Piranha (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>:H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)  
n-Butyl Acetate (NBA)  
Nitric Acid (70% HNO<sub>3</sub>)  
PGMEA

SC1 Cleaning Solution  
(NH<sub>4</sub>OH:H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>:H<sub>2</sub>O)  
SC2 Cleaning Solution (HCl:H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>:H<sub>2</sub>O)  
Organic Solvents (B.P. < 175°C)  
Sulfuric Acid (H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)  
Buffered Oxide Etchants (BOE)  
Tetramethylammonium Hydroxide  
(TMAH)

### Group 2

Non Ionic Surfactants  
Organic Solvents (B.P. > 175°C)  
Resist Strippers  
Ethylene Glycol  
Negative Photoresists

Positive Photoresists  
Polyimide Solutions  
CMP (Silica Slurries)  
Spin-on-Glass (SOG)  
Spin-on-Boron (SOB)

Spin-on-Phosphorous (SOP)  
Flowable Oxide  
Tetraethyl Orthosilicate (TEOS)  
Germanium Tetrachloride \*

### Group 3

Photoresist Resins  
Photosensitizers  
Polyimide Resins  
Polymeric Materials

Polyethylene  
Polyfluorocarbons  
Polypropylene  
Epoxy Resins

Silicon Dioxide Powder  
Waxes  
Boron Metal \*  
Quartz

\* Special pricing