



OXFORD ICP/DRIE PlasmaPro System100 Cobra300



These instructions are intended for reference only, and will *not* replace the thorough training required for proper system operation. Contact a clean room staff member with questions or to report a system problem.





F RIE carrier wafer and usage

Wafer type	process
SiO ₂	Bosch Process, Si etches
Si	Seasoning for Si etches, SiO ₂ etches

Materials Restrictions

Allowable materials:

CMOS compatible materials and standard resists only

Cr, W, Al,

Ti and Pd must be covered during etch

Do not allow the following materials in to the Oxford fluorine RIE:

No Glass (Fused Silica, Quartz and Sapphire okay)

Pt, Au, Ag, Cu (ie persistent metals)

High vapor pressure materials Pb, In, ITO, etc.

III-Vs materials

No Li containing compounds

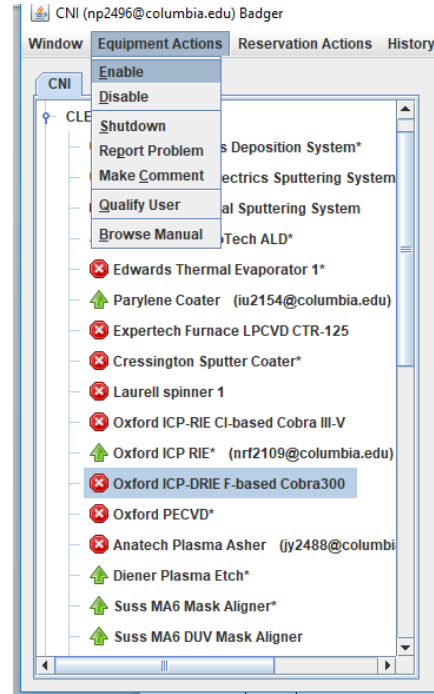
SU-8 (this resist contains antimony)

Please consult staff if you have any doubts as to whether a material is permitted or not.





1. Enable the tool in **BADGER**

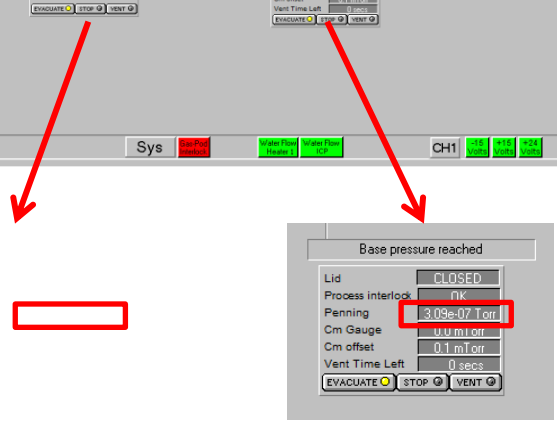
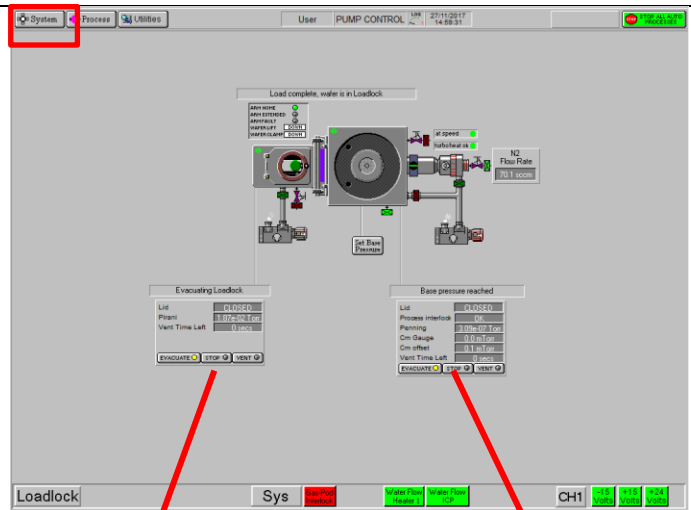


2. VERIFY SYSTEM STATUS

Select “pumping” from the SYSTEM pull down menu to display the vacuum system schematic.

The load lock should be $< 4e^{-2}$

The main chamber should be at high vacuum $< 5e^{-6}$ with the roughing pump and turbo running. Click on *Accept* to clear any alerts that may be displayed; contact a lab staff member





<p>or super-user if accepting an alert does not allow you to continue with your run.</p>	
<p>3. PRE CLEAN AND CONDITIONING (Not mandatory) Make sure there is a wafer in the load lock, before you run the clean recipe. Do not start any recipe without a wafer inside.</p> <p>For all processes you can use Sapphire wafer as a carrier (located next to the tool)</p> <p>Under the “Process” tab, click on <i>Recipes</i>, select <i>load</i>, a pop-up message will appear if you want to overwrite the current recipe , you should select Yes. highlight the clean process recipe OPT- Clean O2/SF6 and Run.</p>	



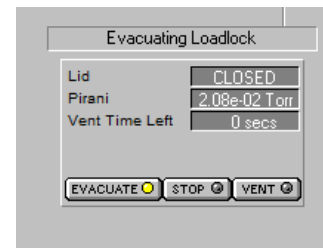


<p>Accept the yellow alert when it appears, marking the end of the process.</p>	
<p>4. VENT THE LOAD LOCK On the pumping page click 'stop' and then 'vent'.</p>	
<p>5. INSTALL SAMPLE When the loadlock is fully vented, open the lid by pulling the handle. Place your wafer or mount your sample on a carrier wafer using Crystalbond. Close the loadlock lid and press Evacuate to pump down the loadlock.</p>	





If your wafer has a flat, make sure to mount your wafer that the flat is between the two screws (see picture).

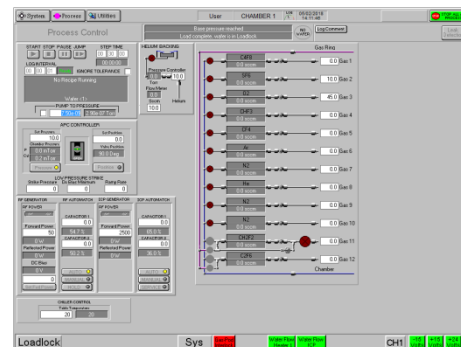
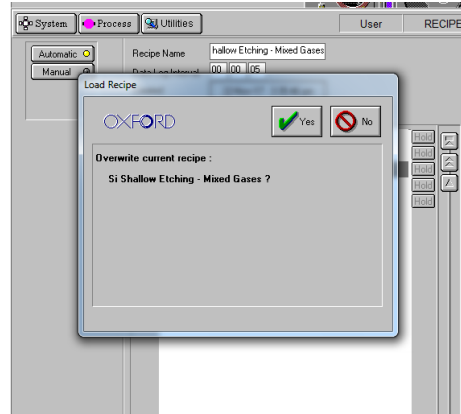
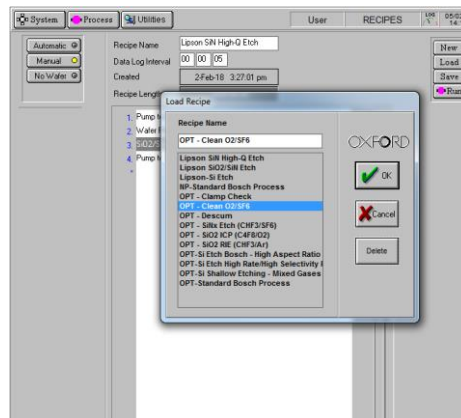
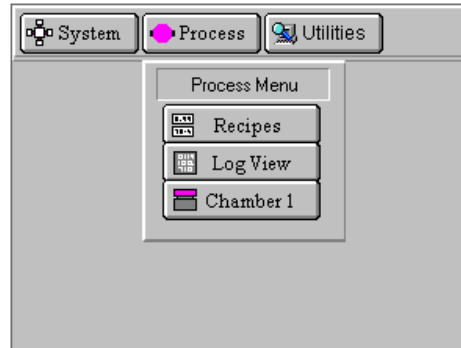




6. DEFINE PROCESS

Select your recipe and load. Edit operating parameters as necessary by right-clicking on the recipe step and changing parameter values as required, select ok to finish editing a step. You cannot save a recipe in Users level.

Contact staff if you want to save your recipe.





<p>7.</p>	<p>RUN PROCESS Select 'Run' to initiate the process. The tool will automatically pump down and run the process. Accept the yellow alert that appears when the process is completed.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>VENT THE SYSTEM On the pumping page click 'stop' and then 'vent' the loadlock.</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p>RETRIEVE SAMPLE When the loadlock is fully vented, open the chamber and retrieve your sample/wafer. Before pumping down don't forget to leave a carrier wafer in the chamber. Evacuate the loadlock.</p>	
<p>10.</p>	<p>RUN CLEAN RECIEPE Run a clean recipe. To determine for how long you should run the recipe, you should watch the plasma color changes to</p>	





	<p>pink. For SiO₂ etch you should run the clean in a ratio of 1:1 (for example 3 min etch – 3 min clean) For Si etch 2:1 (20 min etch-10min clean).</p>	
<p>11.</p>	<p>RETURN TO NORMAL Leave the tool as you found it. Loadlock under vacuum. Do not leave the tool before the cleaning recipe finished. Always leave a carrier wafer inside the loadlock. Cleanup the area, do not leave swabs or dirty wipes next to the tool.</p>	
<p>12.</p>	<p>BADGER LOGOUT: Don't forget to disable the tool in badger after you're done.</p>	<p>The screenshot shows the CNI Badger software interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Equipment Actions', 'Reservation Actions', and 'History Actions'. Below these is a list of equipment items, each with a status icon (green for enabled, red for disabled) and a user name. A context menu is open over the 'F-based Cobra300' item, showing options: 'Enable', 'Disable', 'Shutdown', 'Report Problem', 'Make Comment', 'Qualify User', and 'Browse Manual'. The 'Disable' option is highlighted. Other equipment listed includes Oxford PECVD, Anatech Plasma Asher, Diener Plasma Etch, Suss MA6 Mask Aligner, Heidelberg (3 um) Laser Writer, Heidelberg DWL 66+ Laser Writer, Nanobeam, NovaNano SEM, Wyko NT9100 Optical Profiler, KLA-Tencor Surface Profilometer, Beamer, RCA station, and Laurell spinner 1.</p>

