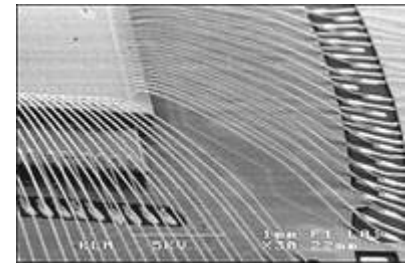
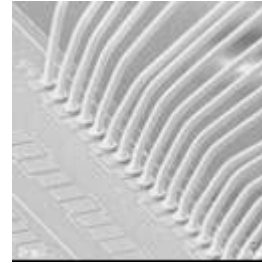
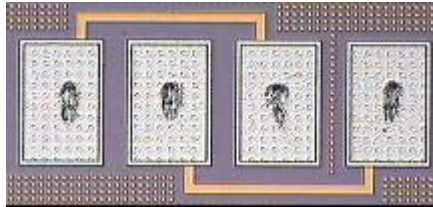


# A 44µm Probe Process Characterization and Factory Deployment Using Probe-Over-Passivation

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## Today's Objectives:

- 1.) Motorola's FMTC Probe Technology Development Methods
- 2.) 44µm Probe Characterization Process Used by FMTC
- 3.) Introduce POP (Probe-Over-Passivation): What is it? & Why needed?
- 4.) 44µm Technology Transfer to Factory Flow & Results Highlights
- 5.) "3 Key Lessons Learned": a.) Cleaning, b.) Prober set-up, and c.) Needle Alignment OD
6. Acknowledgements of Key 44µm Probe Project Participants

Are Your Seat Belts Fastened?  
This will be **FAST**



# Primary FMTC Team Goal: Drive advancements in probe technology to enable silicon shrinks in support of SPS Product group roadmaps

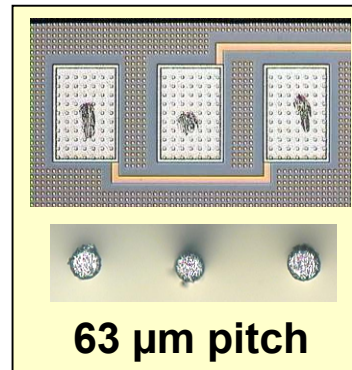
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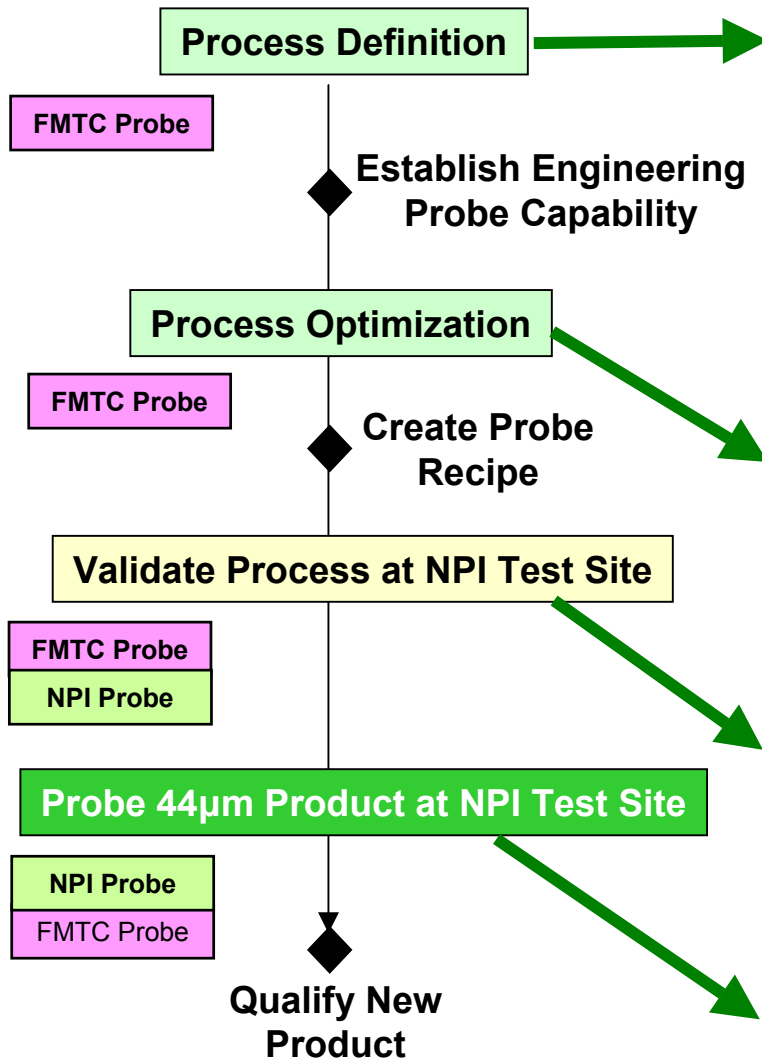
## Secondary Team Goal:

Accelerate improvements in Motorola's wafer probe position to move from **"tied for dead-last" in late'98** to a position of **one of the Industry Leaders by '2002 for Fine Pitch Probe!**



# 44 $\mu$ m Probe Transfer Flow

also used for 63 $\mu$ m & 52 $\mu$ m



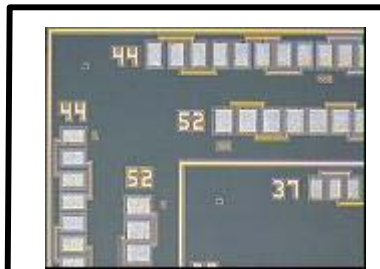
- Identify probe card requirements (tip diameter, probe force etc)
  - Solicit Production site probe card design standards
- Procure probe cards from one vendor
- Characterize card performance using test wafer (e.g. L21C or J56S)
  - Tip conditions
  - Scrub Marks vs. Overdrives
  - Resistance vs. Overdrives and Touches
  - Probe mark impact: size and depth, visual inspection, acid dip
  - If needed, re-procure probe cards and re-characterize
- Identify “normal” probe condition for each tip diameter and force
- Probe wafers at normal setting for assembly process definitions

- Optimize card performance on test wafers (e.g. L21C or J56S)
  - Multiple overdrive testing
  - Multiple touch testing
  - Probe mark impact: size and depth, visual inspection, acid dip
- Identify production-worthy tip diameter and card characteristics
- Probe wafers at low, normal and worst case settings for assembly process optimization
- Evaluate other probe card vendors

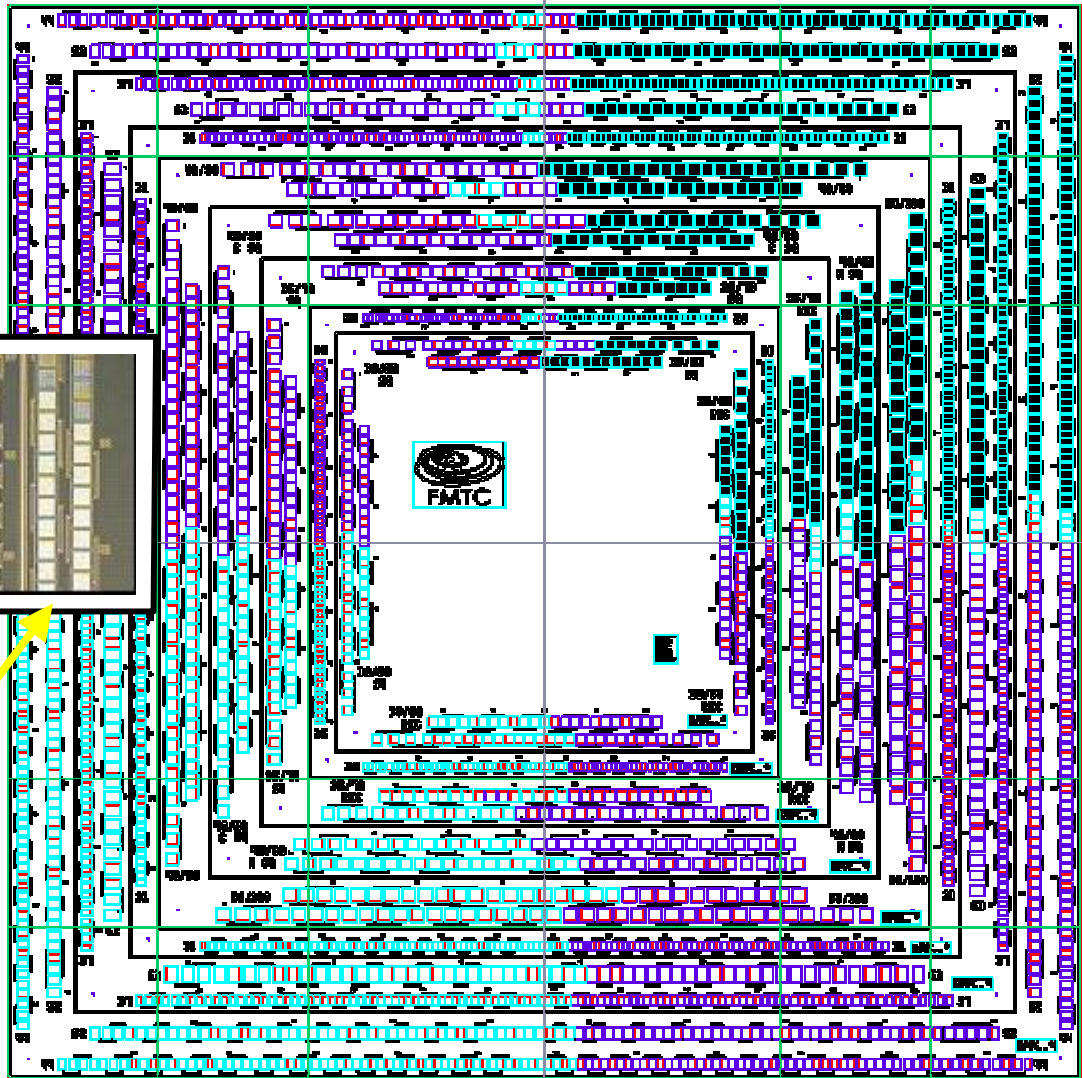
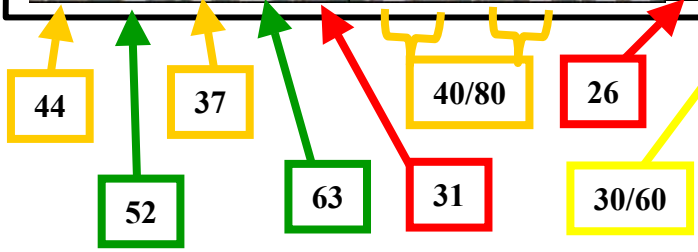
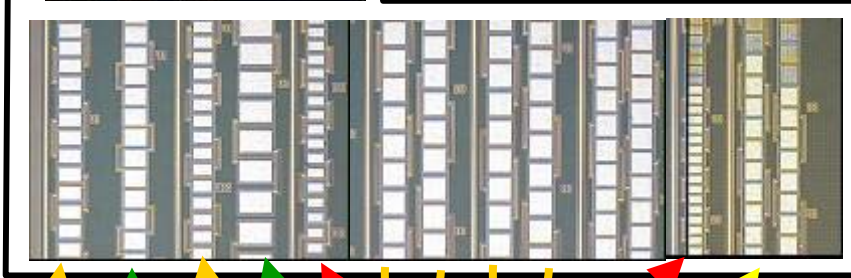
- Characterize probe recipe on test chip wafers (e.g. L21C or J56S)
  - Sample size: 3 wafer lots of 3 wafers minimum
  - Evaluate sources of variance
- Probe L21C test chip wafers for assembly verification
- Hand-off to NPI Test manufacturing

- Verify probe recipe on new real product wafers (and daisy chains)
  - Probe yield, Bin switching, Gage R&R etc.
  - Probe damage assessments, acid dip tests
  - Probe wafers for assembly verification





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**L21C Test Chip**

63, 52, 44, 37, 31, 26 inline

50/100, 40/80, 35/70, 30/60 staggered

**44 μm = 448 pads @ 40μm x 66μm**





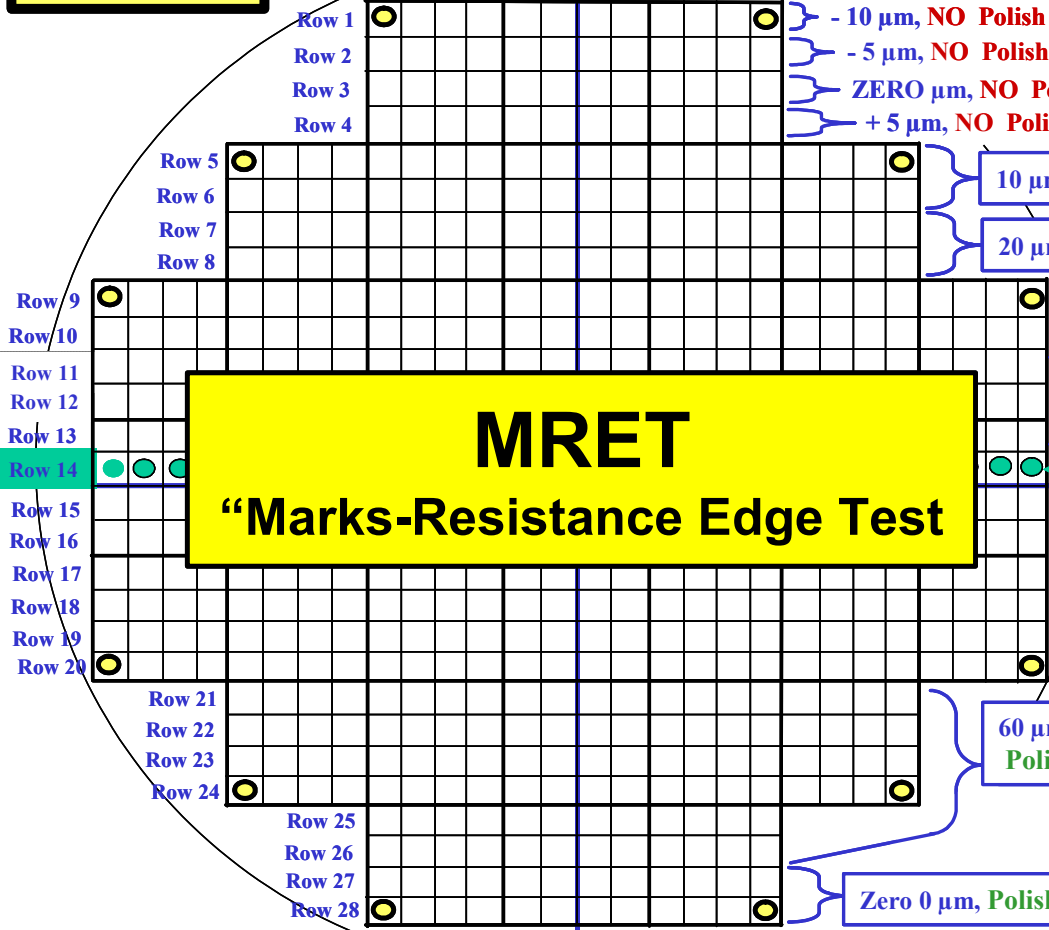
**L21C**

Notch Up

Probe Date: ~ / / \_\_ Exp#: \_\_ - A1 thru A11

**MRET 44 μm**  
X.X tip, Y.Y gr/mil, W-Re  
L21C Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ Wfr#: \_\_

**Sample Probe Map MRET**  
"Marks Resistance Edge Test"



1 Pass, 2 Touch  
Other : 256 PIB

**NO PROBE, set-up & Reference Row**

**\* Nominal \***  
50 μm 6 rows,  
Polish 40μm

60 μm 6 rows,  
Polish 40μm

Zero 0 μm, Polish 40μm

448 pads/die @44μm  
552 of 592 die/wafer  
40 x 66 pad opening  
6416 x 6416 die step

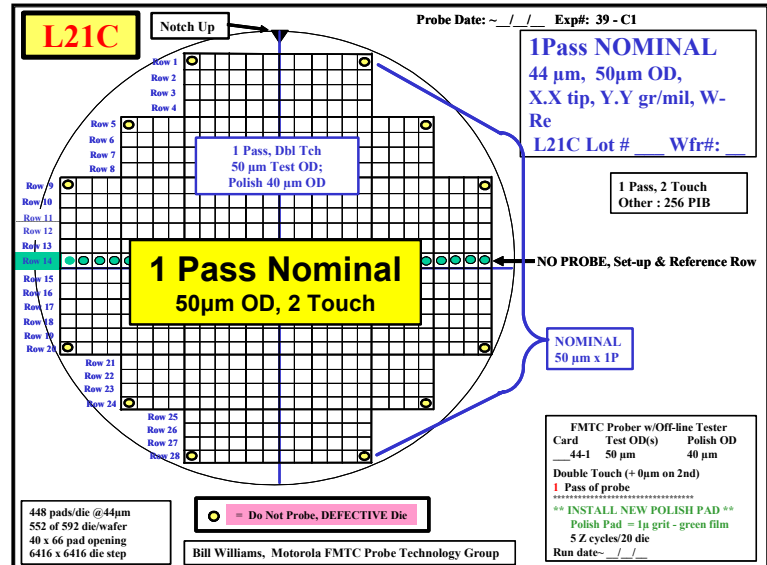
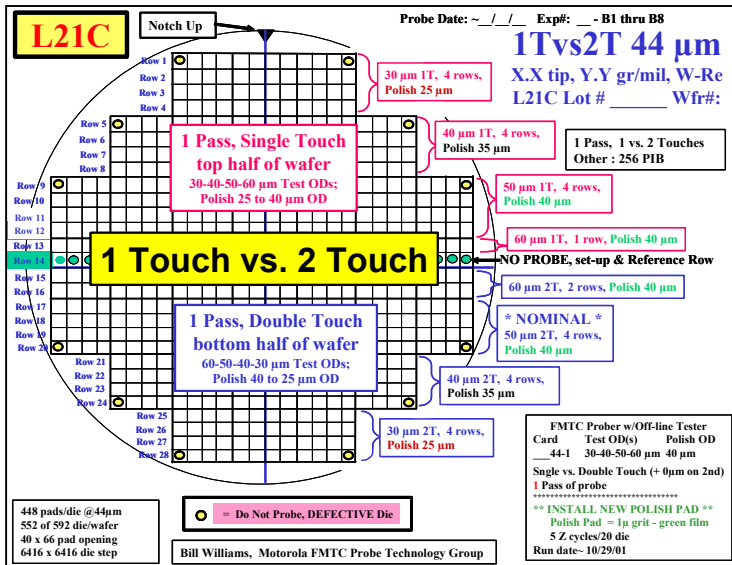
○ = Do Not Probe, DEFECTIVE Die

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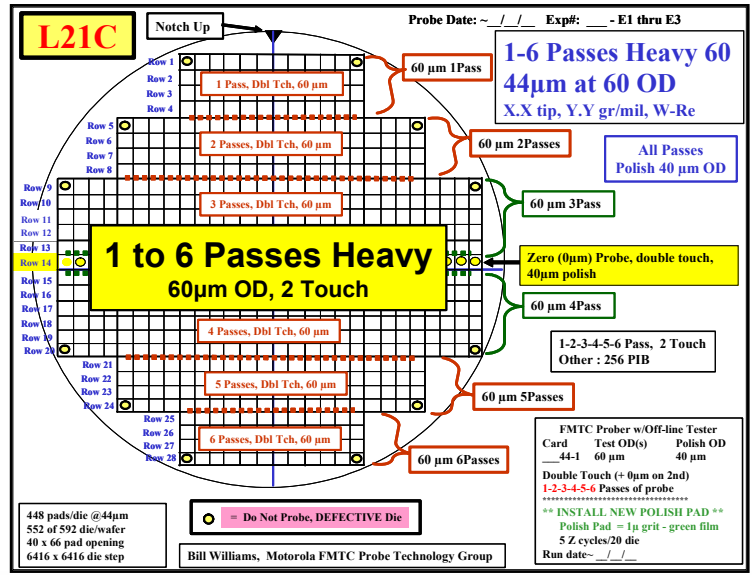
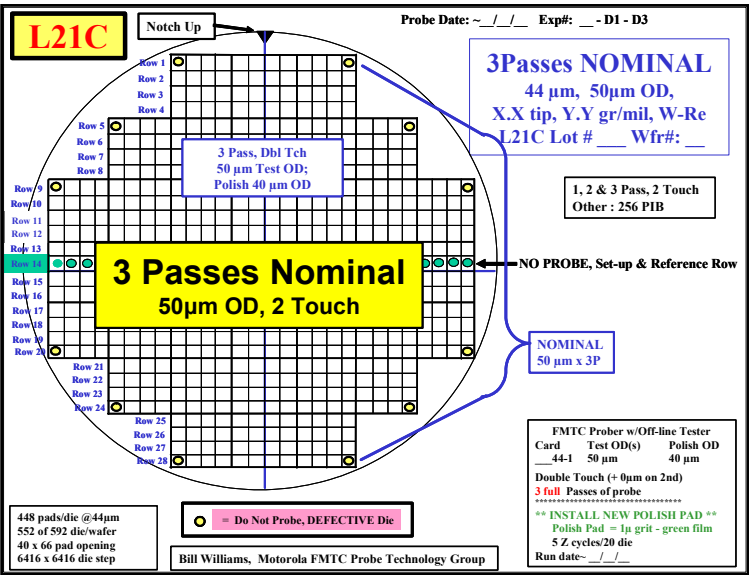
FMTC Prober w/Off-line Tester  
 Card    Test OD(s)    Polish OD  
 \_\_44-1   -10 to +65 μm   No to 40 μm

Double Touch (+ 0μm on 2nd)  
**1** Pass of probe  
 \*\*\*\*\*  
**\*\* INSTALL NEW POLISH PAD \*\***  
 Polish Pad = 1μ grit - green film  
 5 Z cycles/20 die  
 Run date~ \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

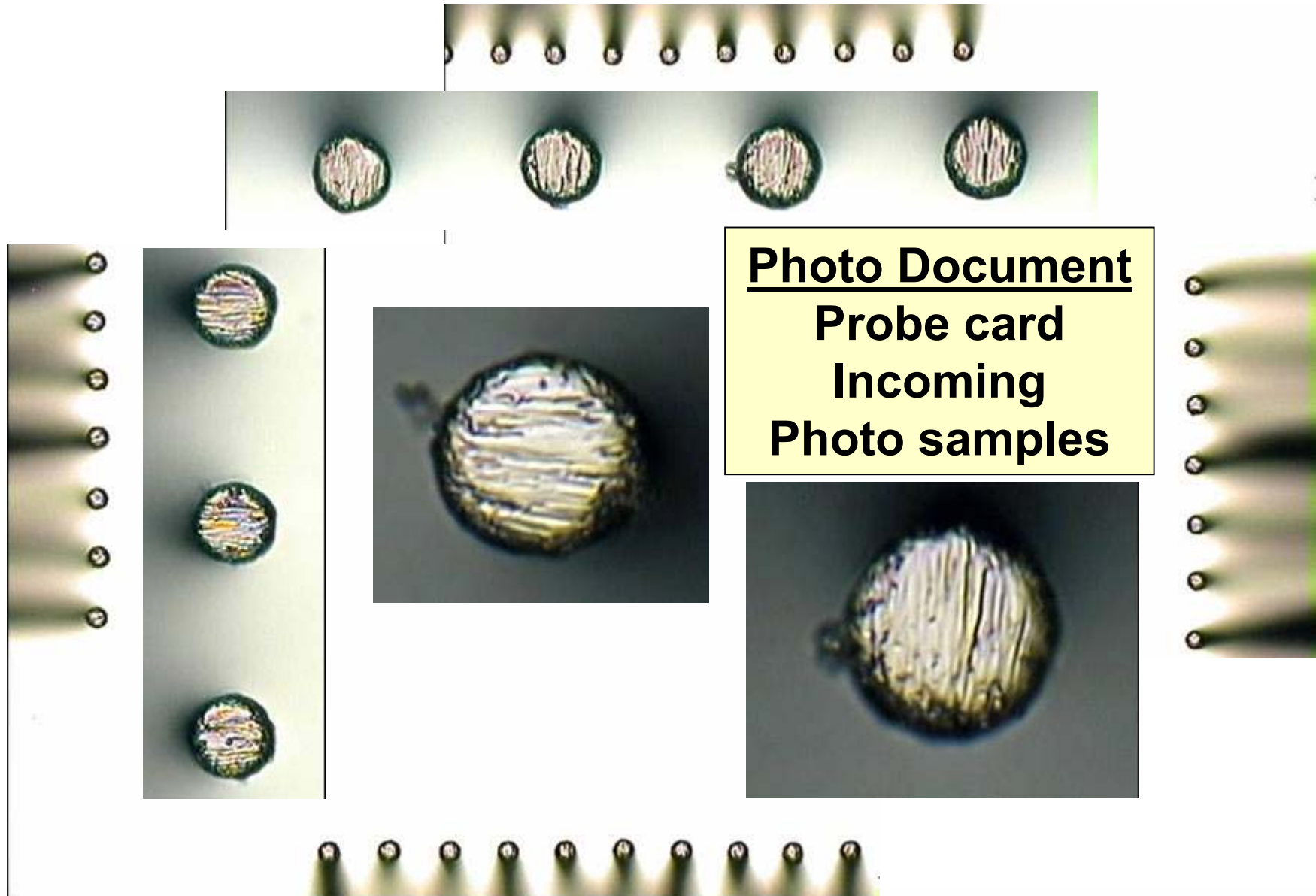




## 4 Other Maps: 1T vs. 2T, 1Pass Nominal, 3 Pass Nominal, 1-6Pass Heavy60, + MANY Assembly Wafers 1&3P



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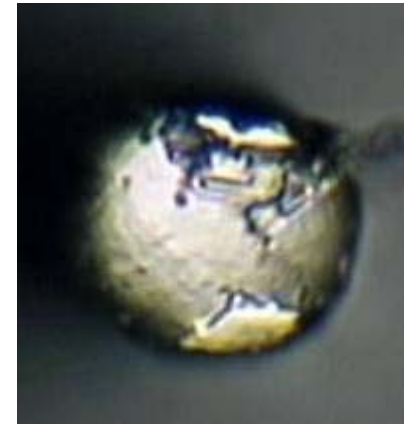
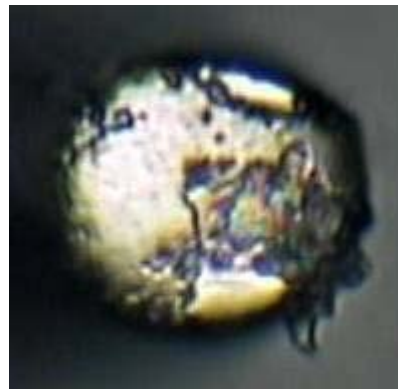
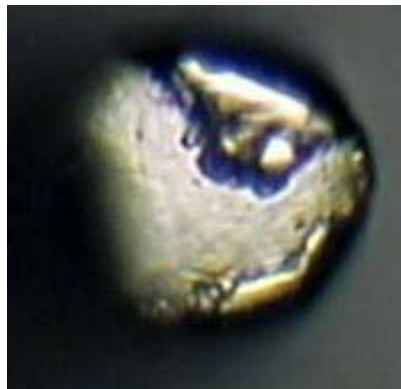
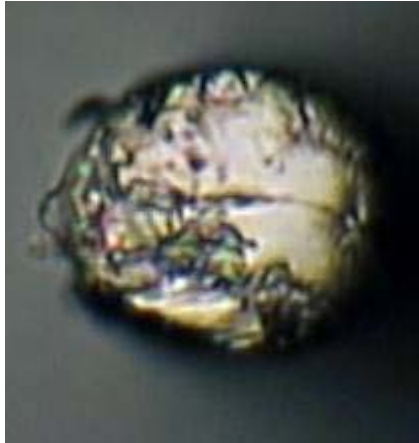
**Photo Document**  
**Probe card**  
**Incoming**  
**Photo samples**





# Probe card Incoming Photo samples

Pre probe card photo(50X) - Tip Quality Issues



# 44um Pre-Probe Alignment Comparison - Free State

**Photo Document**  
**Probe photos**  
**w/ Comparisons**

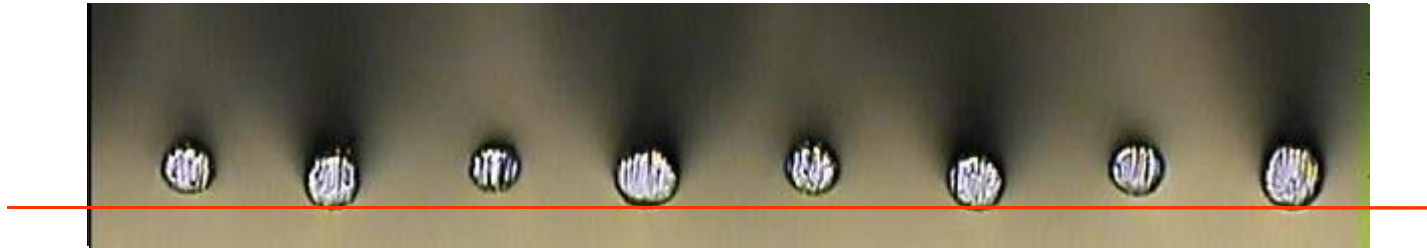
Key Responses:

- Probe X, Y and Z Placement
- Tip Diameter & Shape Variations

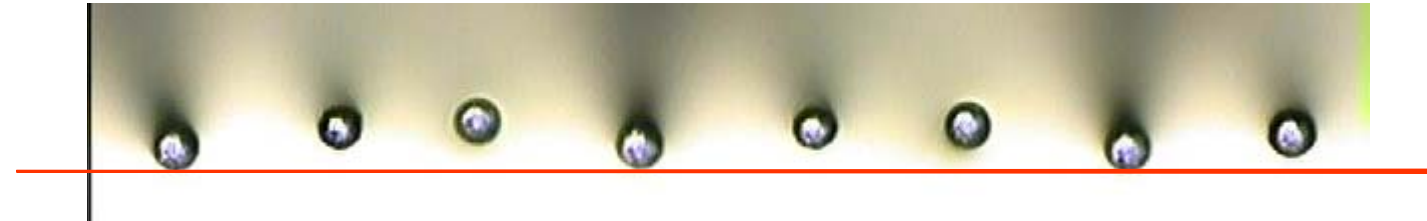
Company A



Company B



Company C




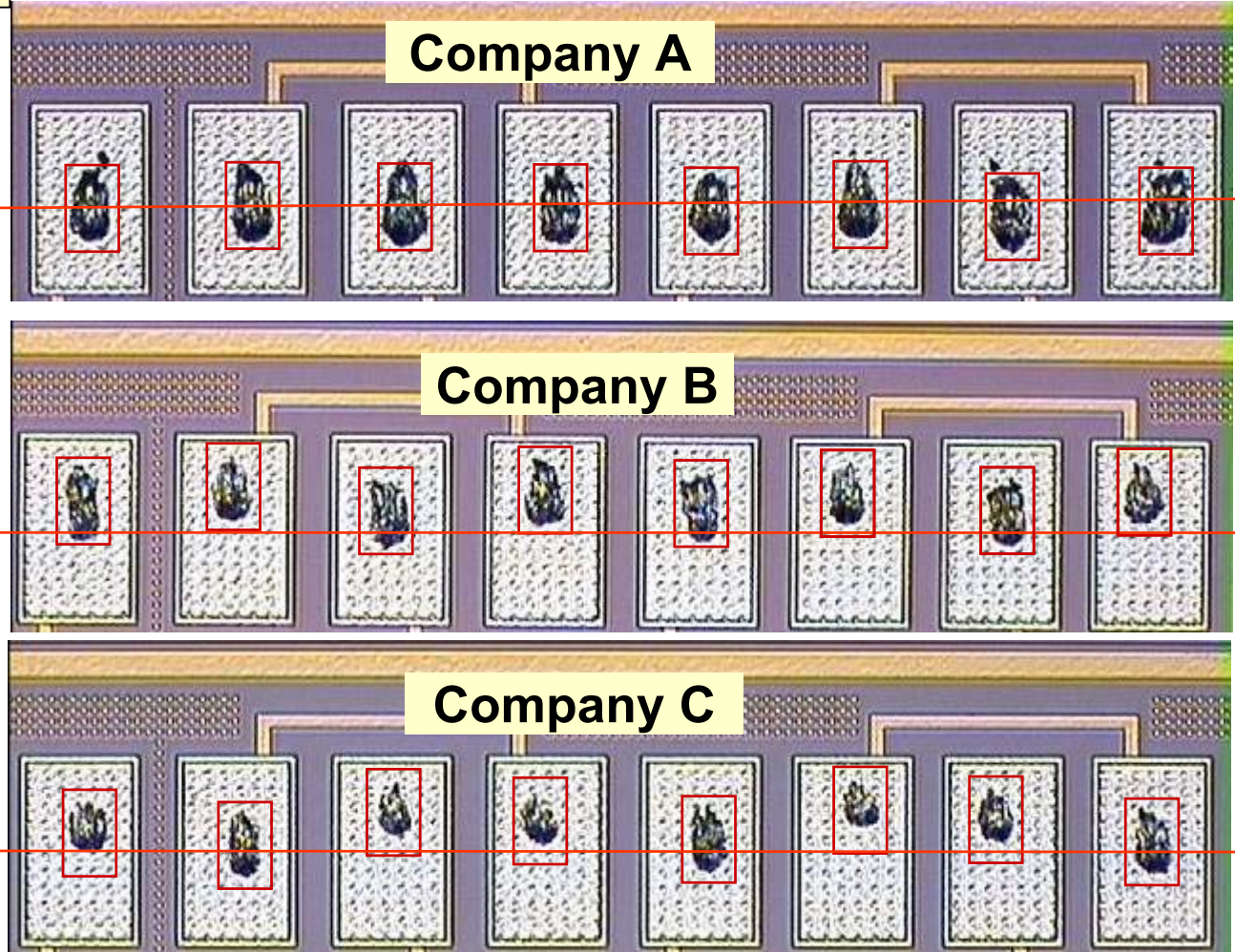
# Photo Document Scrub Photos w/ Comparisons

## Key Responses:

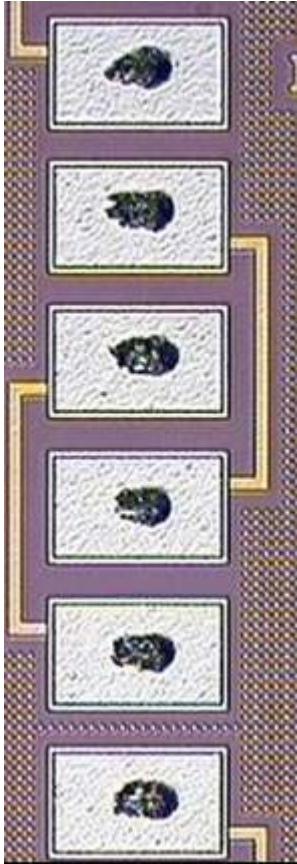
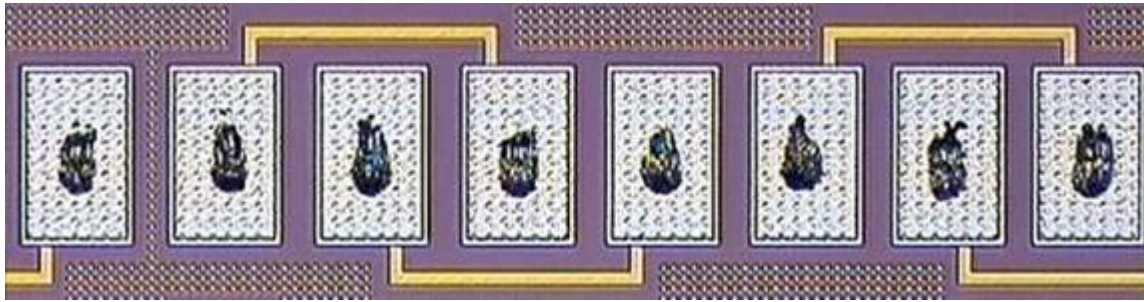
- Scrub Placement Pad to Pad
- Scrub Uniformity Tier to Tier

Scrub Alignment  
Comparison  
44um Pitch  
3 Pass, 2 Touch,  
50um OD

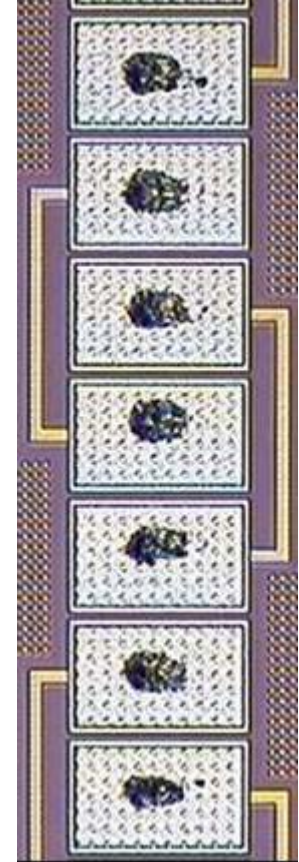
 = 1/4 of pad  
Scrub Limit



**Photo Document  
Scrub Photos**

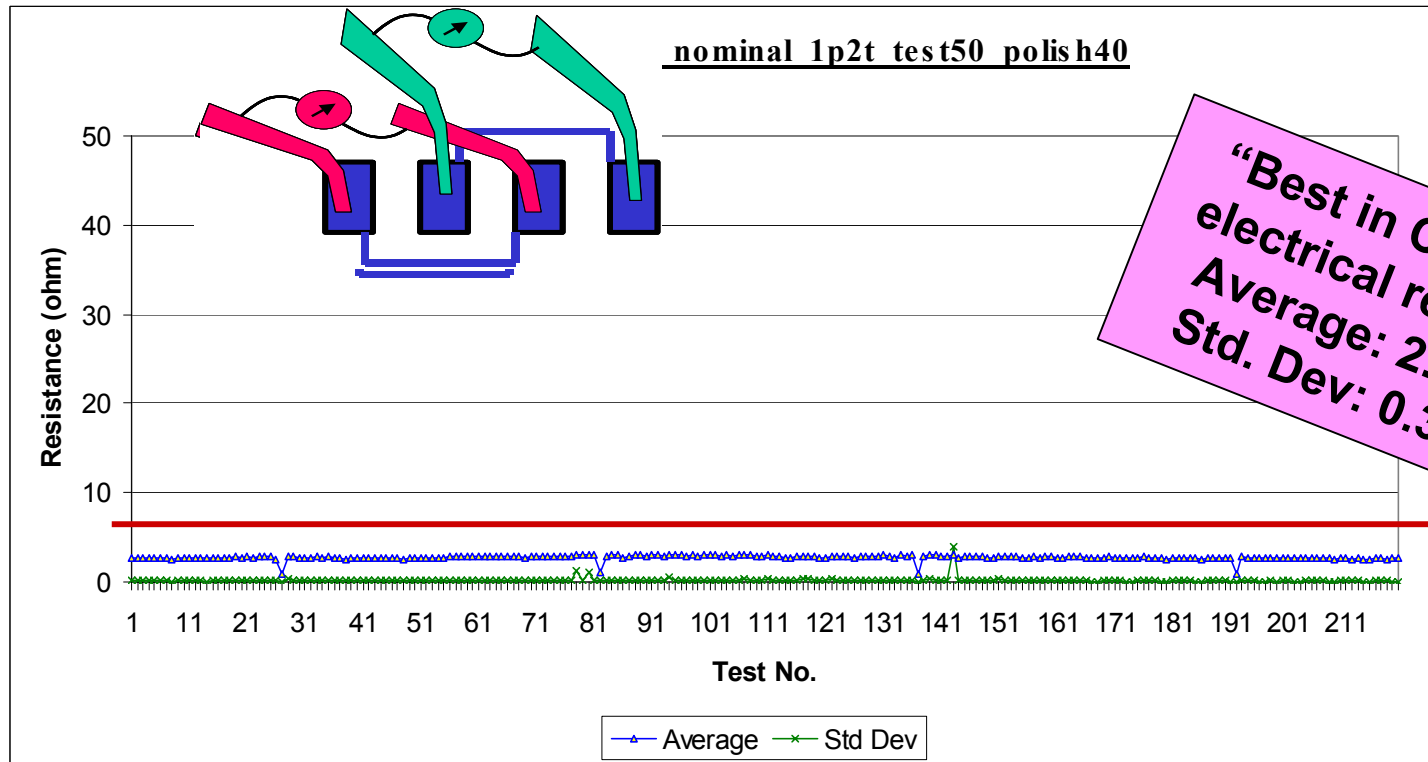


**“44 micron Best in Class”**  
44µm wire pitch w/ 448 pads @40µm x 66µm  
3 full passes of double touch probe  
**Y Cpk > 1.57!**



# 44 $\mu\text{m}$ x 448 pads “Best-In-Class” Electrical Data

## 1 Pass – 2 Touch – Nominal 50 $\mu\text{m}$



**Average: 2.6  $\Omega$**   
**Std. Dev: 0.3  $\Omega$**



# Electrical Data Comparisons - Full Path Resistance

44um Pitch 1 Pass, 2 Touch, 50um OD

**Key Electrical Responses:**

- Pad-Pair Path Resistance
- Standard Deviation

| Company A |           |          |   |   |   |
|-----------|-----------|----------|---|---|---|
|           | A         | B        | C | D | E |
| 113       |           |          |   |   |   |
| 114       | Average:= | 2.607807 |   |   |   |
| 115       | Stdev.:=  | 0.270834 |   |   |   |
| DataSheet |           |          |   |   |   |

| Company B |           |          |   |   |   |
|-----------|-----------|----------|---|---|---|
|           | A         | B        | C | D | E |
| 90        | Average:= | 2.683533 |   |   |   |
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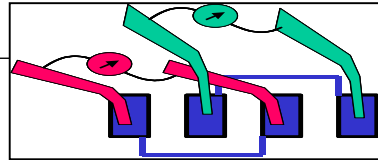
| Company C |           |          |   |   |   |
|-----------|-----------|----------|---|---|---|
|           | A         | B        | C | D | E |
| 38        | Average:= | 3.660059 |   |   |   |
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| DataSheet |           |          |   |   |   |



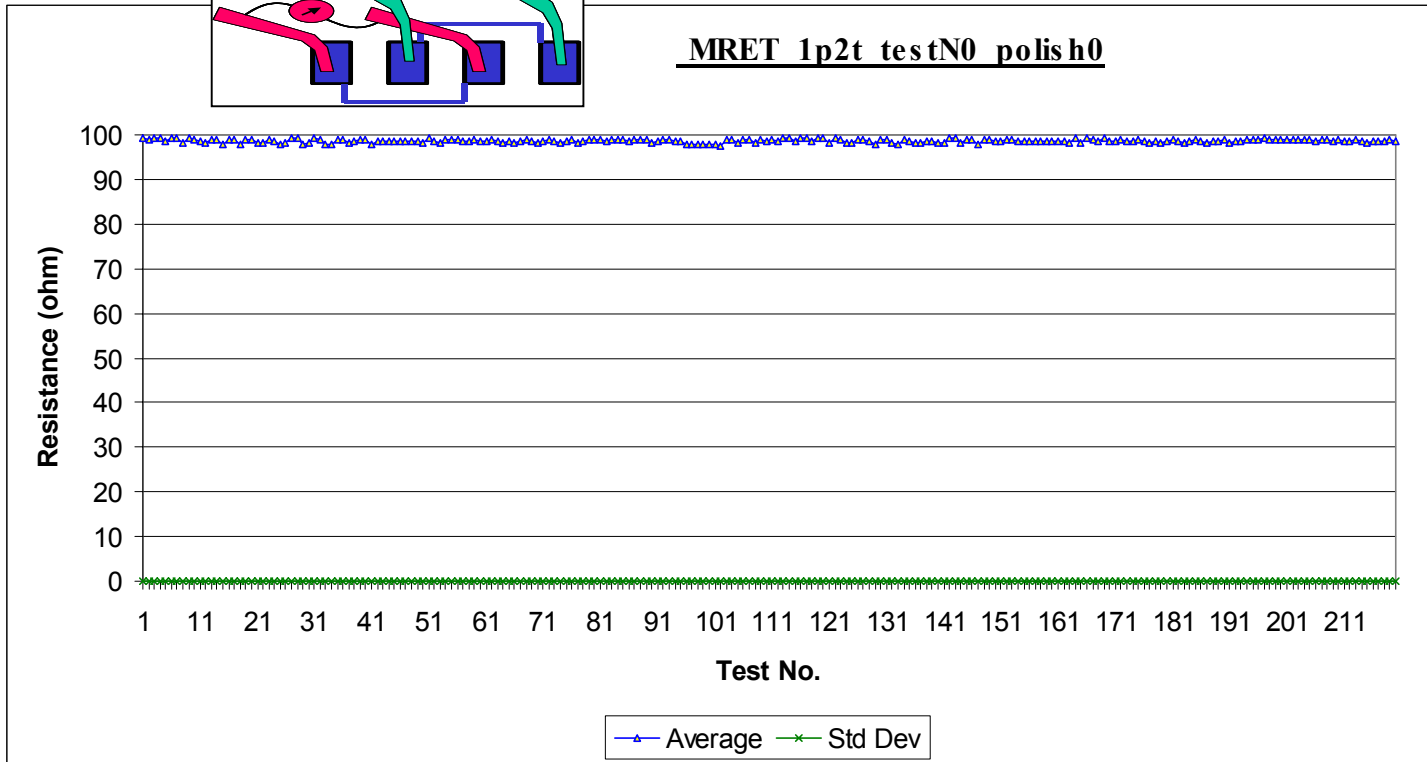
# MRET Electrical Data **0 1<sup>st</sup> Zero Overdrive**

## Marks-Resistance Edge Test

1 pass - 2 touch - **0 μm Over Drive**



MRET 1p2t testN0 polish0



**Average: 98.6 Ω**

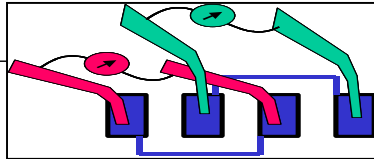
**Std. Dev: 0.4 Ω**



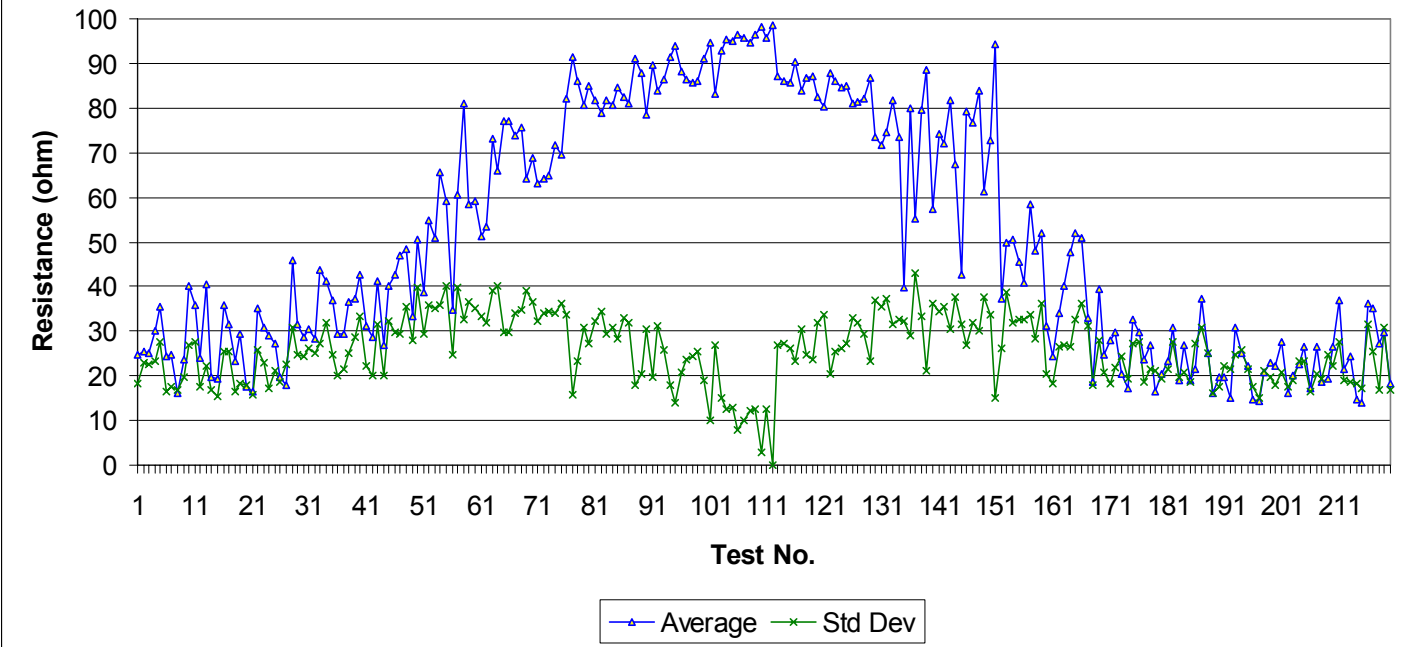
# MRET Electrical Data **10 $\mu$ m Overdrive**

## “Marks-Resistance Edge Test”

### 1 pass - 2 touch - **10 $\mu$ m Over Drive**



MRET 1p2t testP10 polish10



**Average: 51.8  $\Omega$**

**Std. Dev: 37.7  $\Omega$**

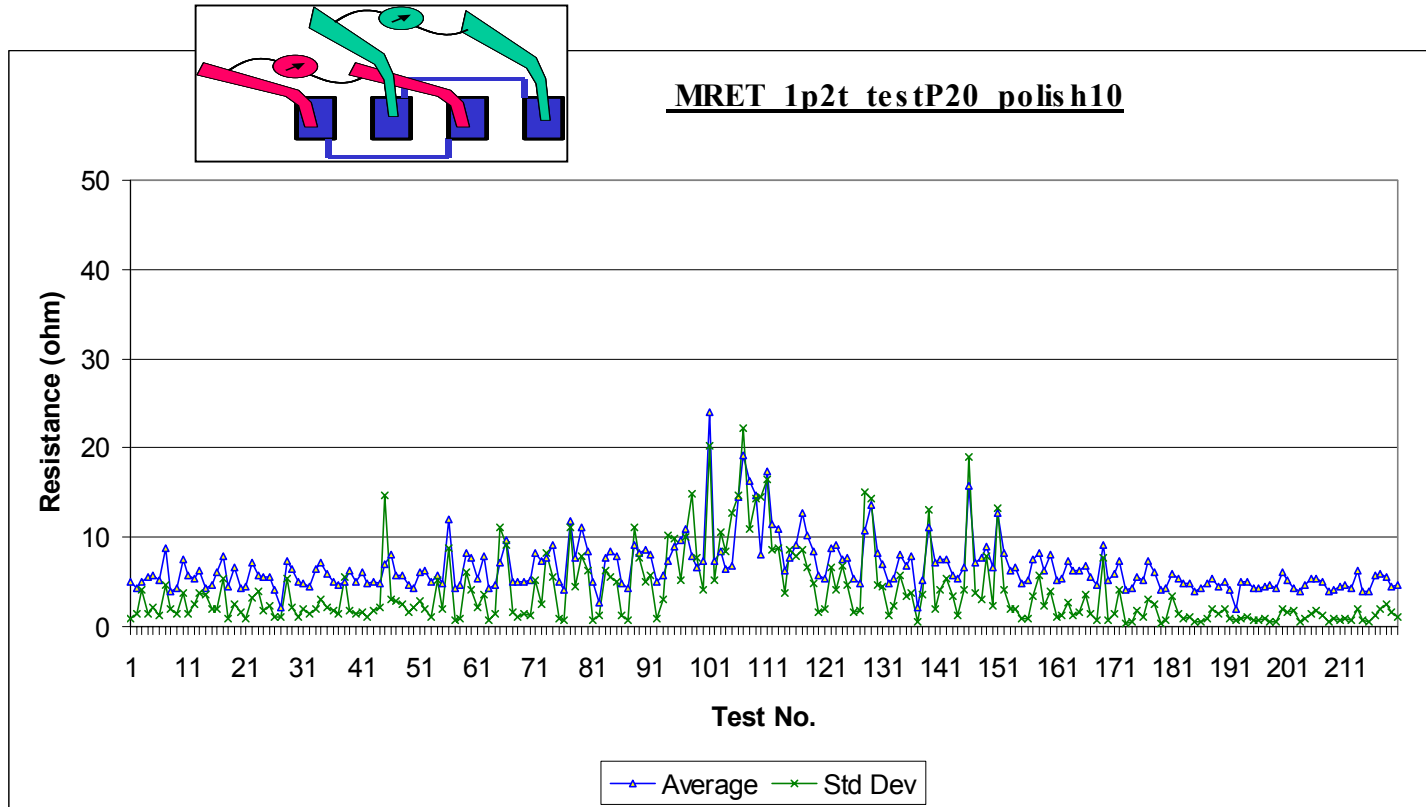




# MRET Electrical Data **20 $\mu$ m Overdrive**

## Marks-Resistance Edge Test

### 1 pass - 2 touch - **20 $\mu$ m Over Drive**



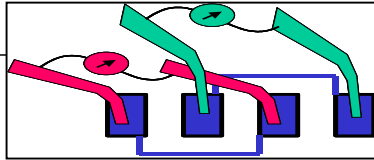
**Average: 6.6  $\Omega$**   
**Std. Dev: 6.2  $\Omega$**



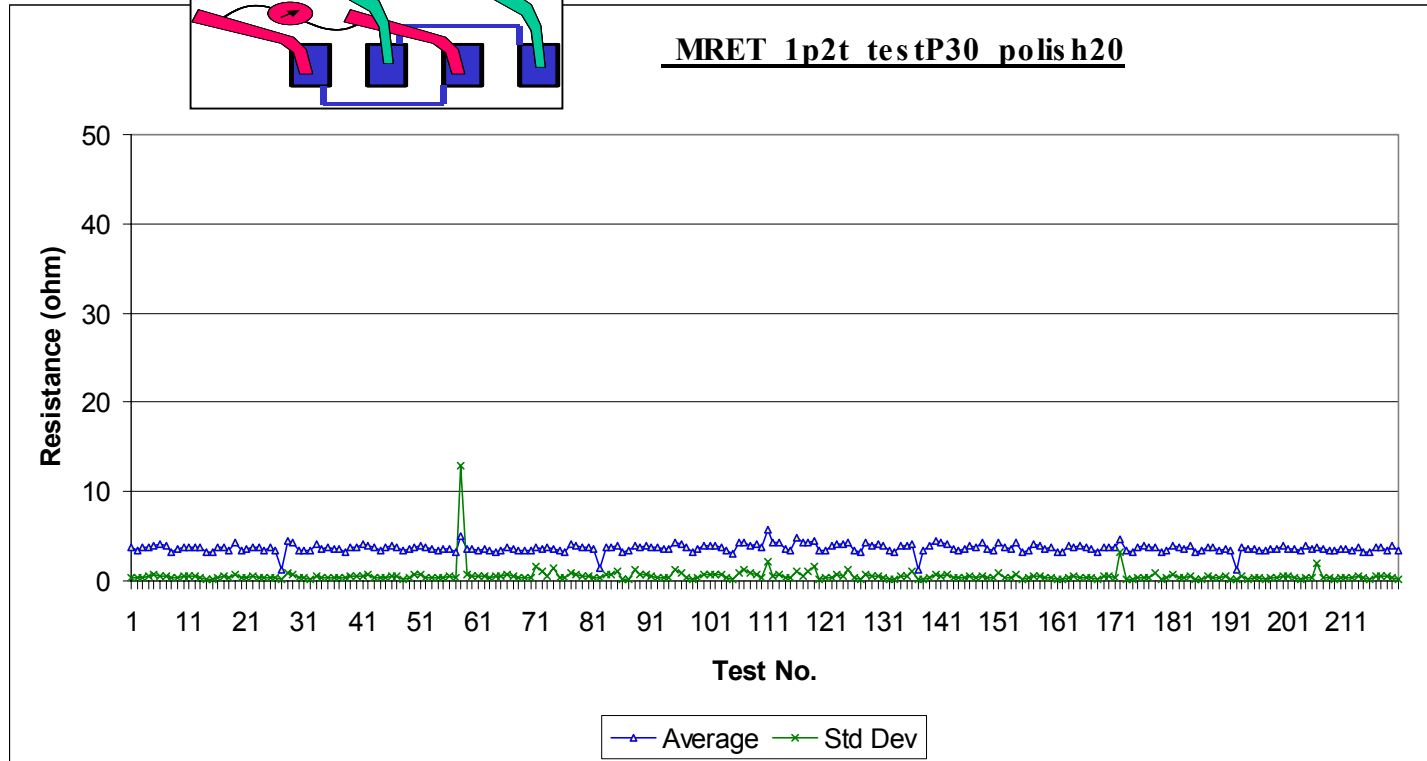
# MRET Electrical Data **30µm Overdrive**

## Marks-Resistance Edge Test

1 pass - 2 touch - **30 µm Over Drive**



MRET 1p2t testP30 polis h20



**Average: 3.7 Ω**

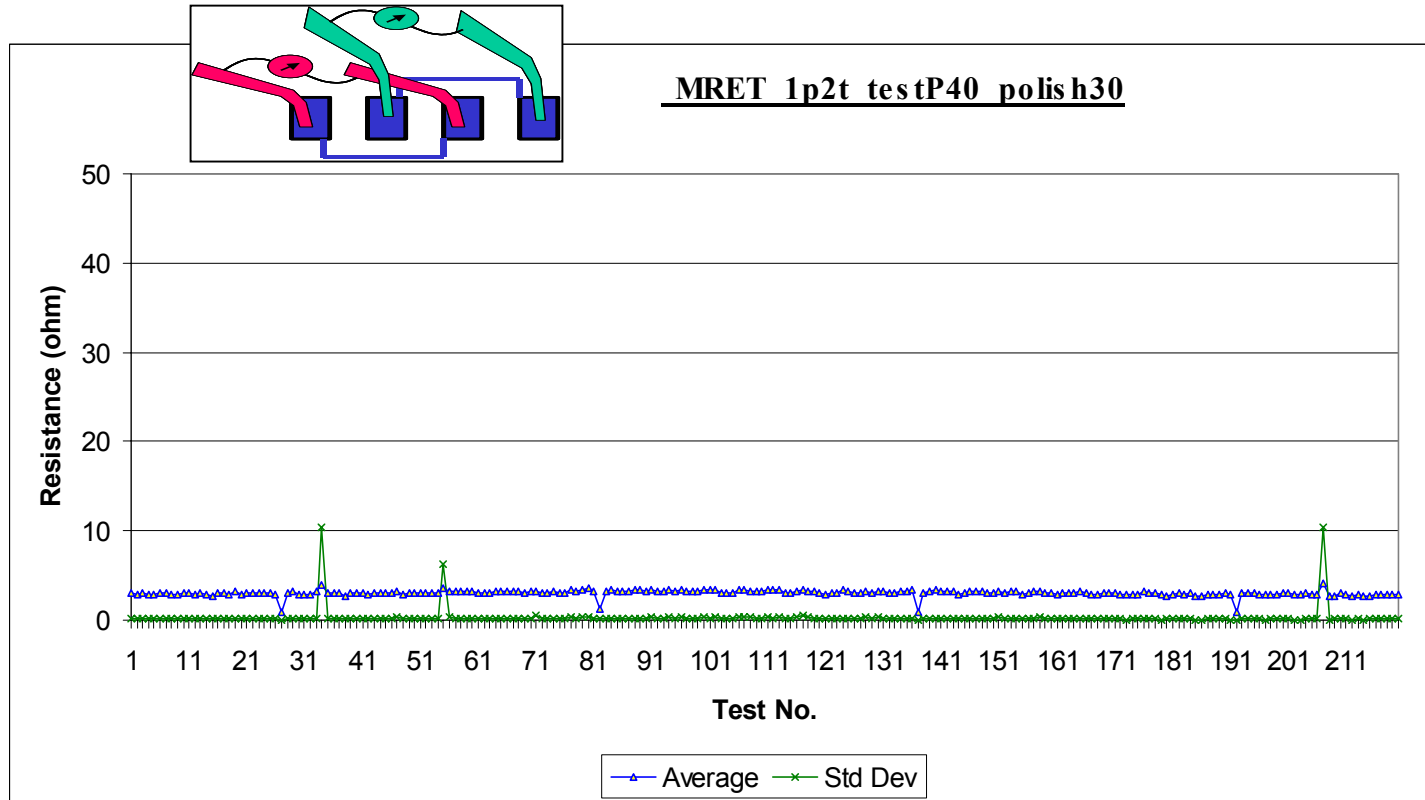
**Std. Dev: 1.2 Ω**



# MRET Electrical Data **40µm Overdrive**

## Marks-Resistance Edge Test

1 pass - 2 touch - **40 µm Over Drive**



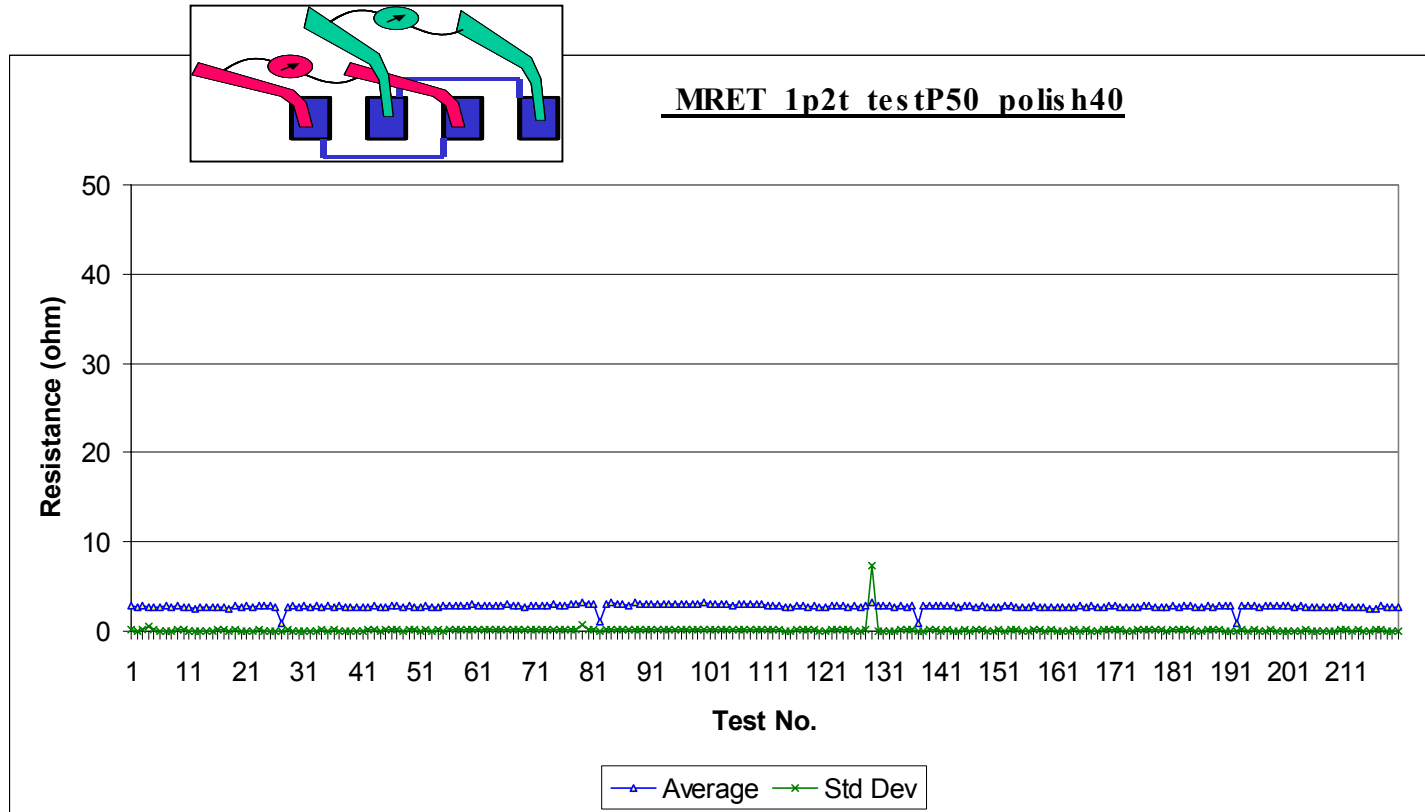
**Average: 3.0 Ω**

**Std. Dev: 1.1 Ω**



# MRET Electrical Data **50 $\mu$ m Overdrive** Marks-Resistance Edge Test

**1 pass - 2 touch - 50  $\mu$ m Over Drive \* NOMINAL \***



**Average: 2.8  $\Omega$**

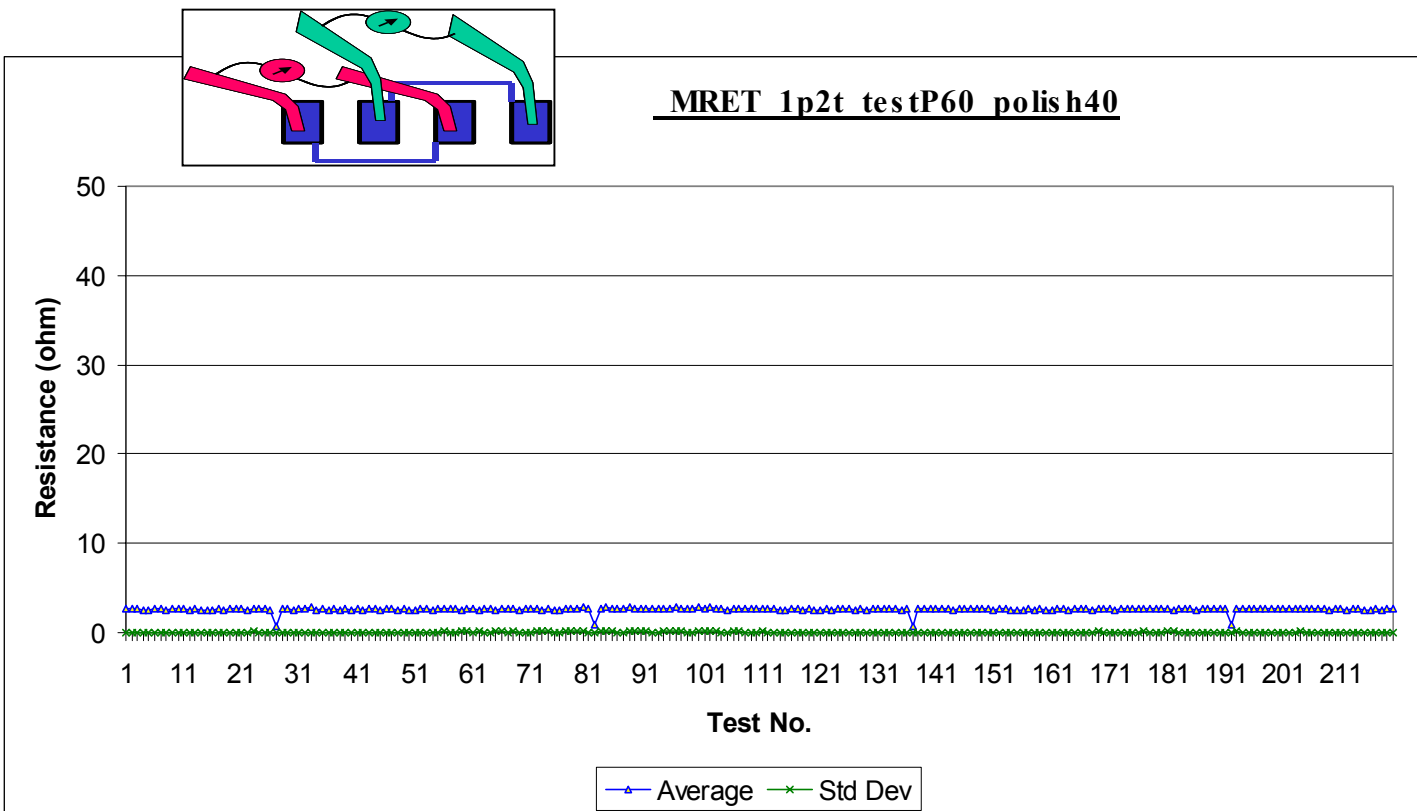
**Std. Dev: 0.6  $\Omega$**



# MRET Electrical Data 60μm Overdrive

## Marks-Resistance Edge Test

1 pass - 2 touch - 60 μm Over Drive \* Heavy 60 \*



**Average: 2.6 Ω**

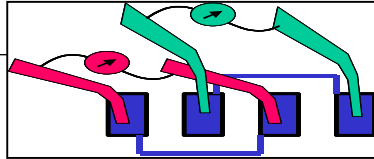
**Std. Dev: 0.3 Ω**



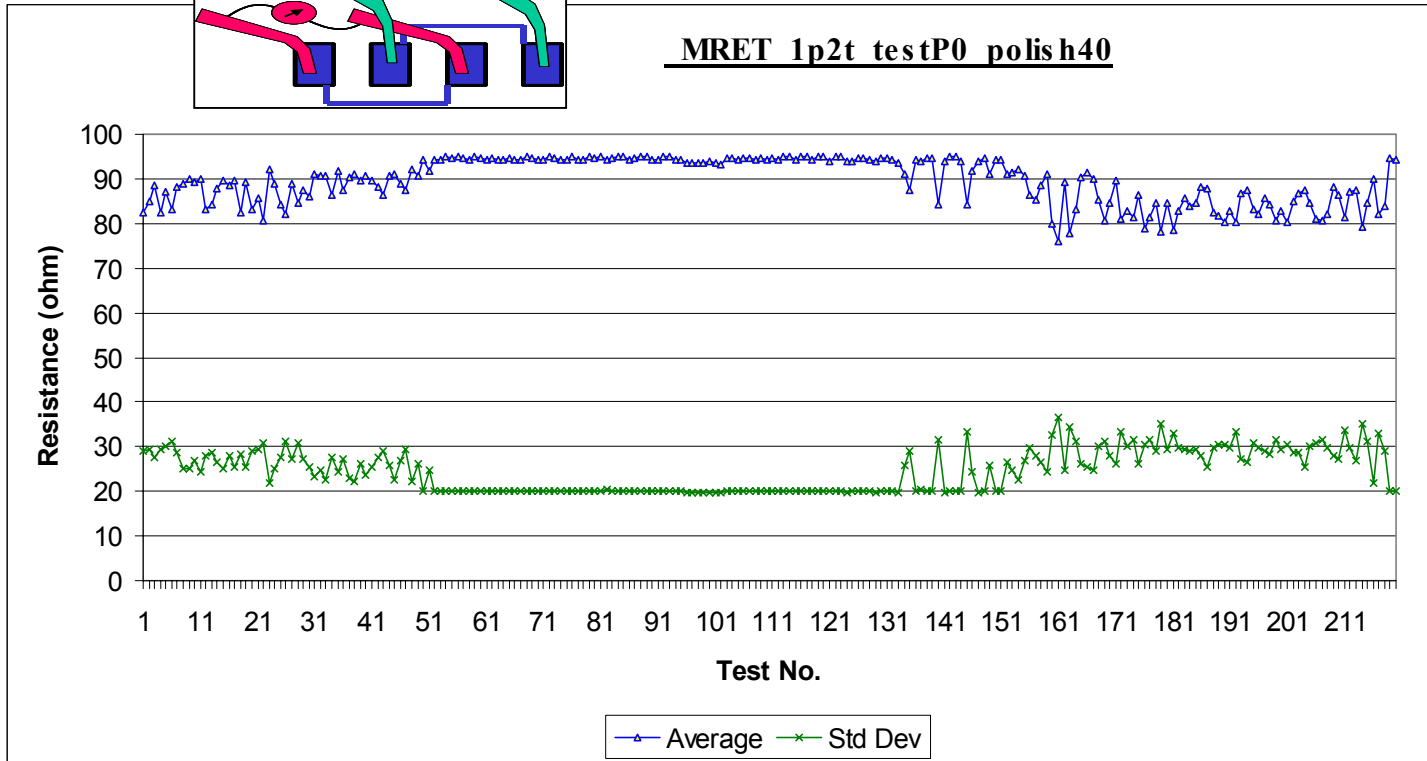
# MRET Electrical Data 0 2<sup>nd</sup> Zero Overdrive

## Marks-Resistance Edge Test

1 pass - 2 touch - 0  $\mu\text{m}$  Over Drive



MRET 1p2t testP0 polish40



**Average: 89.7  $\Omega$**

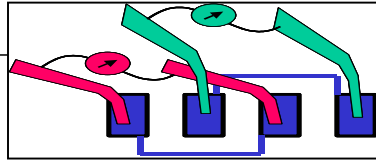
**Std. Dev: 25.0  $\Omega$**



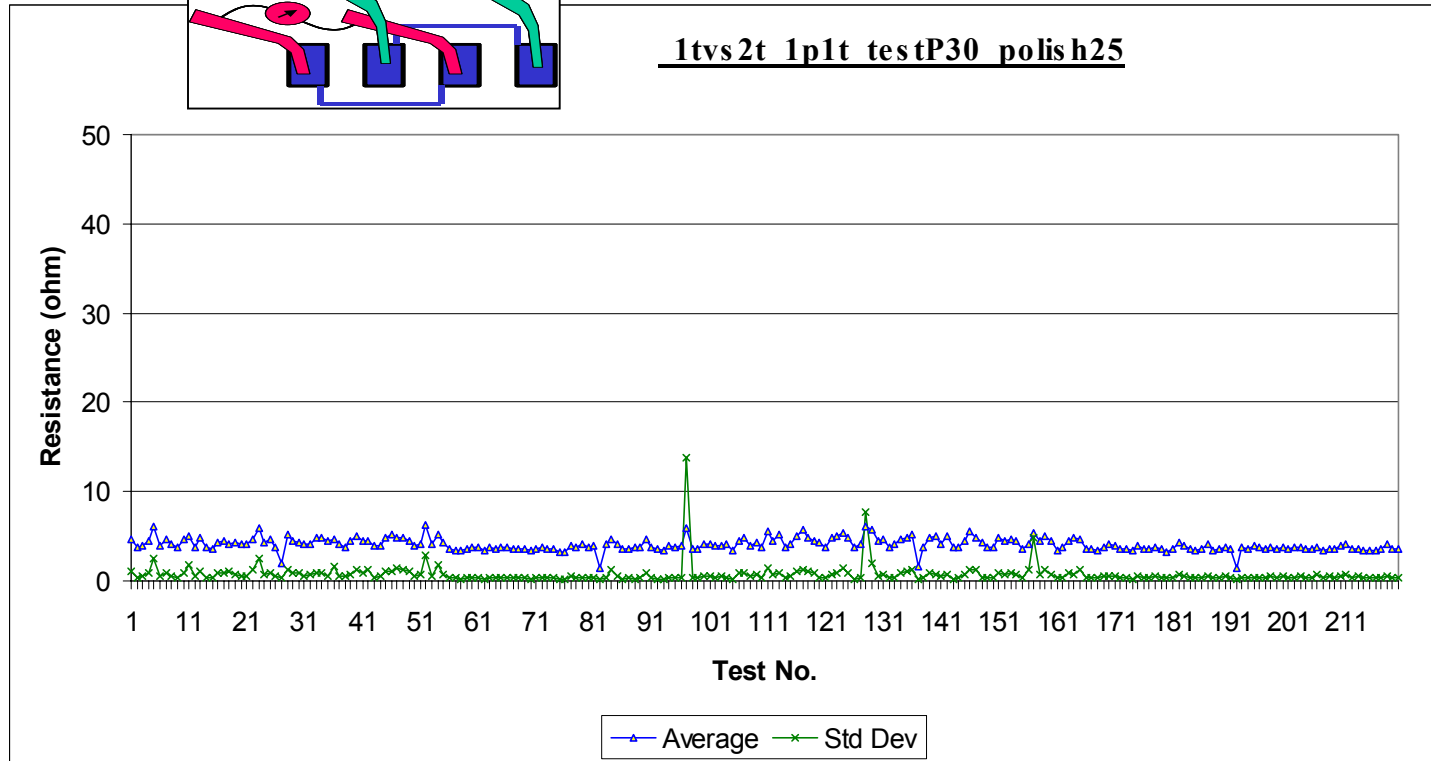
# 1T vs. 2T Electrical Data 30 Overdrive

## 1 Touch Test

1 pass - 1 touch - 30  $\mu\text{m}$  Over Drive



1tvs2t 1p1t testP30 polish25



Average: 4.1  $\Omega$

Std. Dev: 1.5  $\Omega$

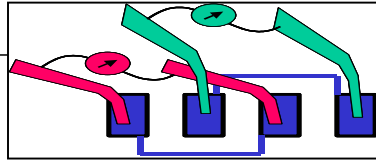
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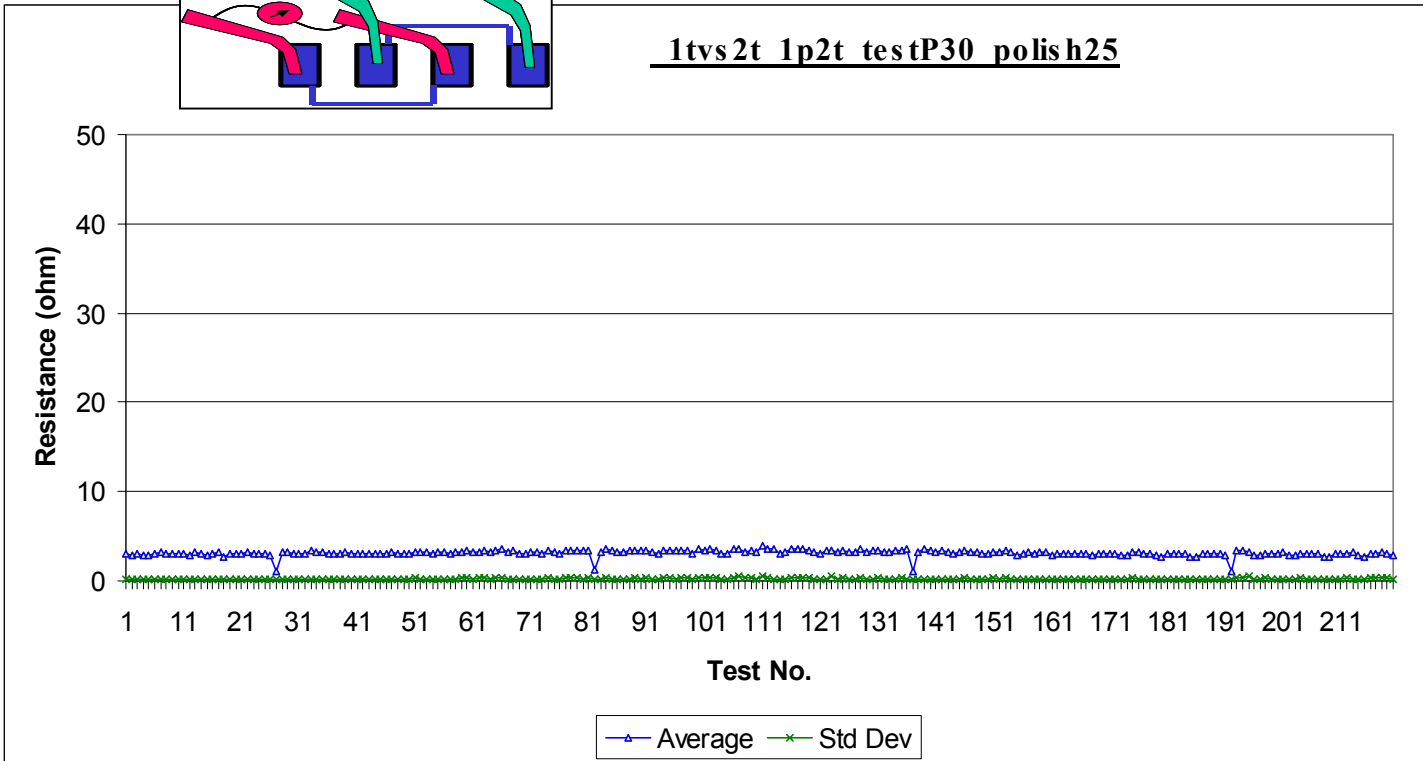
# 1T vs. 2T Electrical Data 30 Overdrive

## 2 Touch Test

1 pass - 2 touch - 30  $\mu\text{m}$  Over Drive



1tvs2t 1p2t testP30 polish25



**Average: 3.1  $\Omega$**

**Std. Dev: 0.4  $\Omega$**

**Note:  $\Delta = 1.0 \Omega$  Ave  
&  $\Delta = 1.1 \Omega$  SDV**

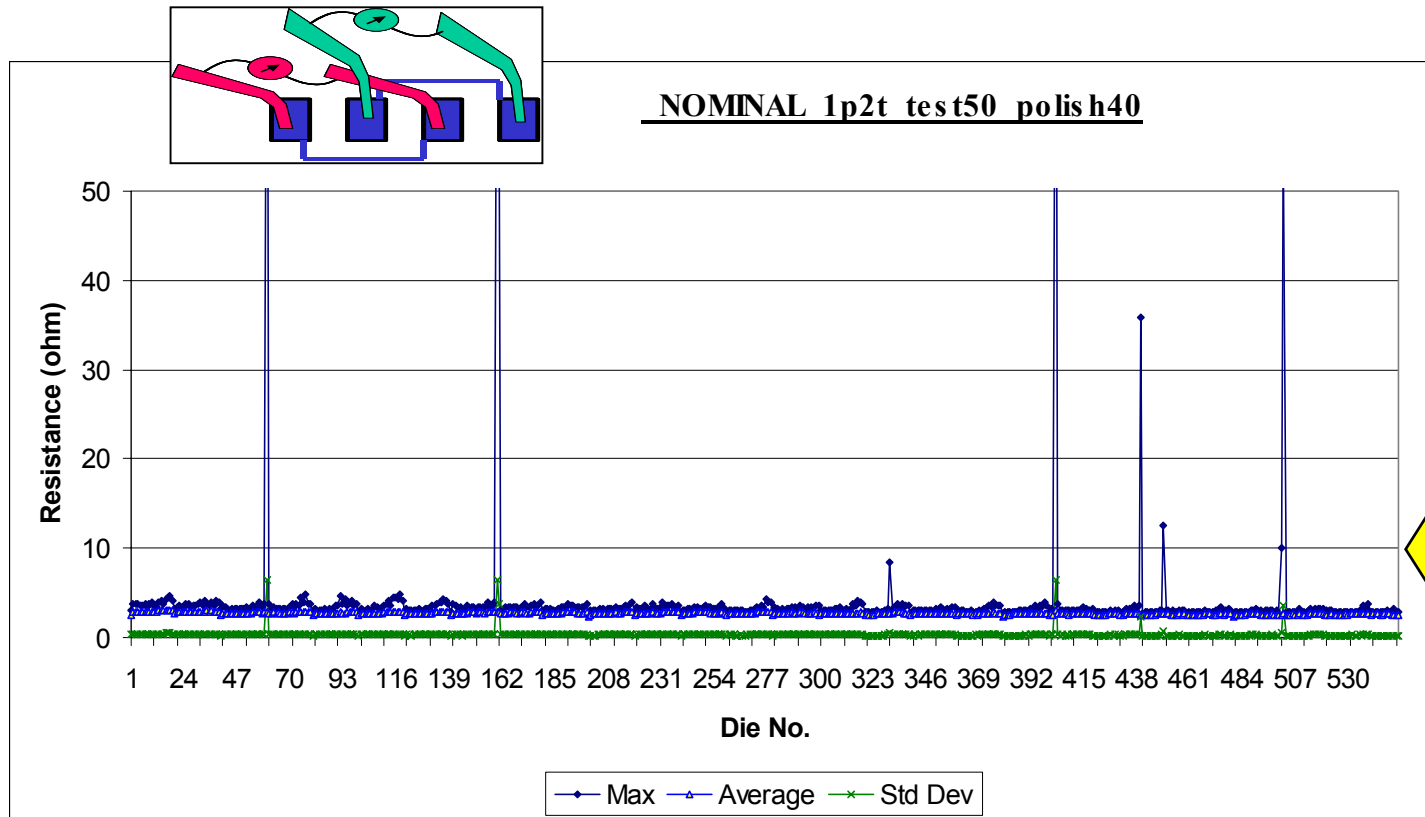




# 1 Pass Nominal Electrical Data 50 Overdrive

**\*\* By Die Results \*\* 1 Pass Nominal \*\***

1 pass - 2 touch - 50  $\mu\text{m}$  Over Drive



Average: 2.7  $\Omega$

Std. Dev: 0.6  $\Omega$



# "Probe Process Capability" Monitor

- Scrub data is collected from all four sides of the die. It is rotated so that all pad and scrub mark data are relative.

## Cp and Cpk Formula Descriptions

$$Y_{Cp} = (\text{Spec Width}) / (6 \text{ Sigma})$$

$$Y_{Cp} = (PO - SL) / (6 * (\text{SQRT}(SD_{SL}^2 + SD_{TE}^2)))$$

$$Y_{Cpk} = (\text{Mean} - \text{Closer Spec Limit}) / (3 \text{ Sigma})$$

$$Y_{Cpk} = (PO/2 - SL/2 - TE) / (3 * (\text{SQRT}(SD_{SL}^2 + SD_{TE}^2)))$$

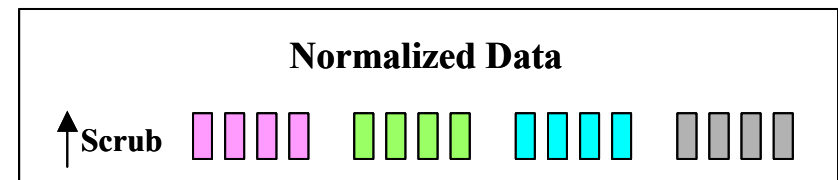
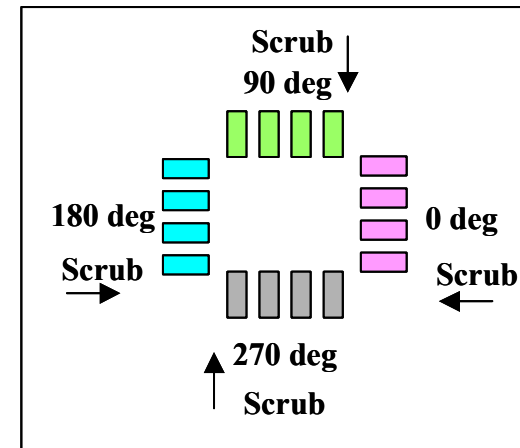
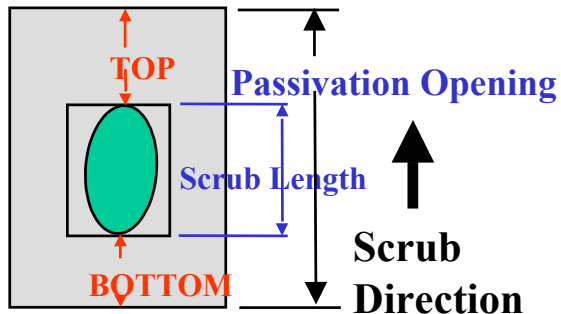
PO = Passivation Opening (Length)

SL = Average Scrub Length (PR Scrub Size)

TE = Average Scrub Center Target Error |Top-Bot| / 2

SD<sub>SL</sub> = Standard Deviation of Scrub Length - SL

SD<sub>TE</sub> = Standard Deviation of Scrub Target Error - TE



# Scrub Mark Size & Placement Capability Comparisons (1.5 Y-Cpk Target)

Company A

|                                                                   |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| PO = Passivation Opening                                          | 66          |
| SL = Average Scrub Length (PR Scrub Size)                         | 28.76       |
| TE = Average Scrub Center Target Error  Top-Bot  / 2              | 2.10        |
| SD <sub>SL</sub> = Standard Deviation of Scrub Length - SL        | 2.91        |
| SD <sub>TE</sub> = Standard Deviation of Scrub Target Error - TE  | 1.53        |
| $Y C_{PK} = (PO - SL - TE) / (6 * (SQRT(SD_{SL}^2 + SD_{TE}^2)))$ | <b>1.78</b> |

Company B

|                                                                   |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| PO = Passivation Opening                                          | 66          |
| SL = Average Scrub Length (PR Scrub Size)                         | 26.32       |
| TE = Average Scrub Center Target Error  Top-Bot  / 2              | 4.28        |
| SD <sub>SL</sub> = Standard Deviation of Scrub Length - SL        | 3.77        |
| SD <sub>TE</sub> = Standard Deviation of Scrub Target Error - TE  | 3.28        |
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Company C

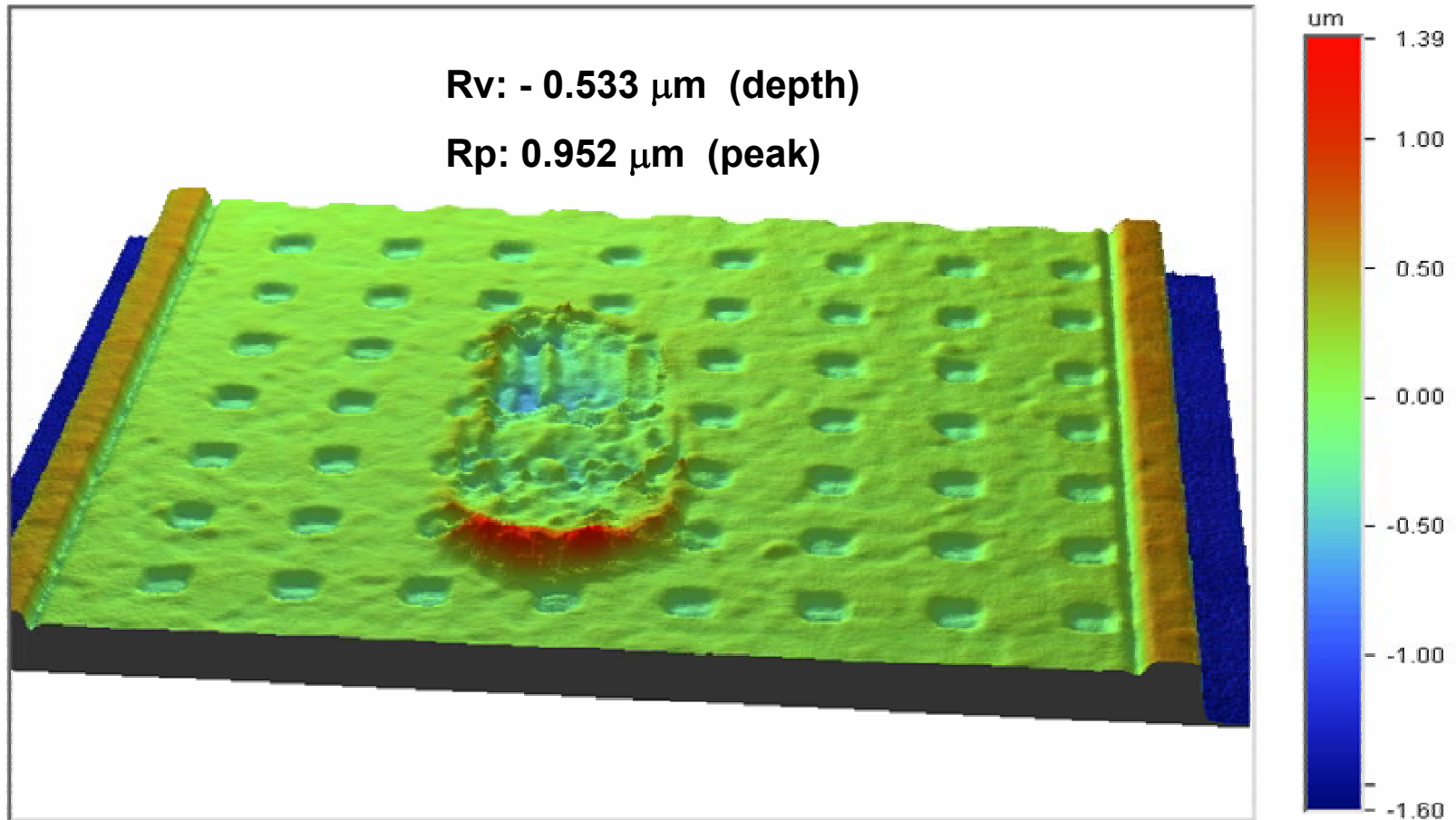
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| PO = Passivation Opening                                          | 66          |
| SL = Average Scrub Length (PR Scrub Size)                         | 37.29       |
| TE = Average Scrub Center Target Error  Top-Bot  / 2              | 3.01        |
| SD <sub>SL</sub> = Standard Deviation of Scrub Length - SL        | 4.20        |
| SD <sub>TE</sub> = Standard Deviation of Scrub Target Error - TE  | 2.29        |
| $Y C_{PK} = (PO - SL - TE) / (6 * (SQRT(SD_{SL}^2 + SD_{TE}^2)))$ | <b>0.90</b> |



# Scrub Mark Depth Analysis

## 3D Profilometer

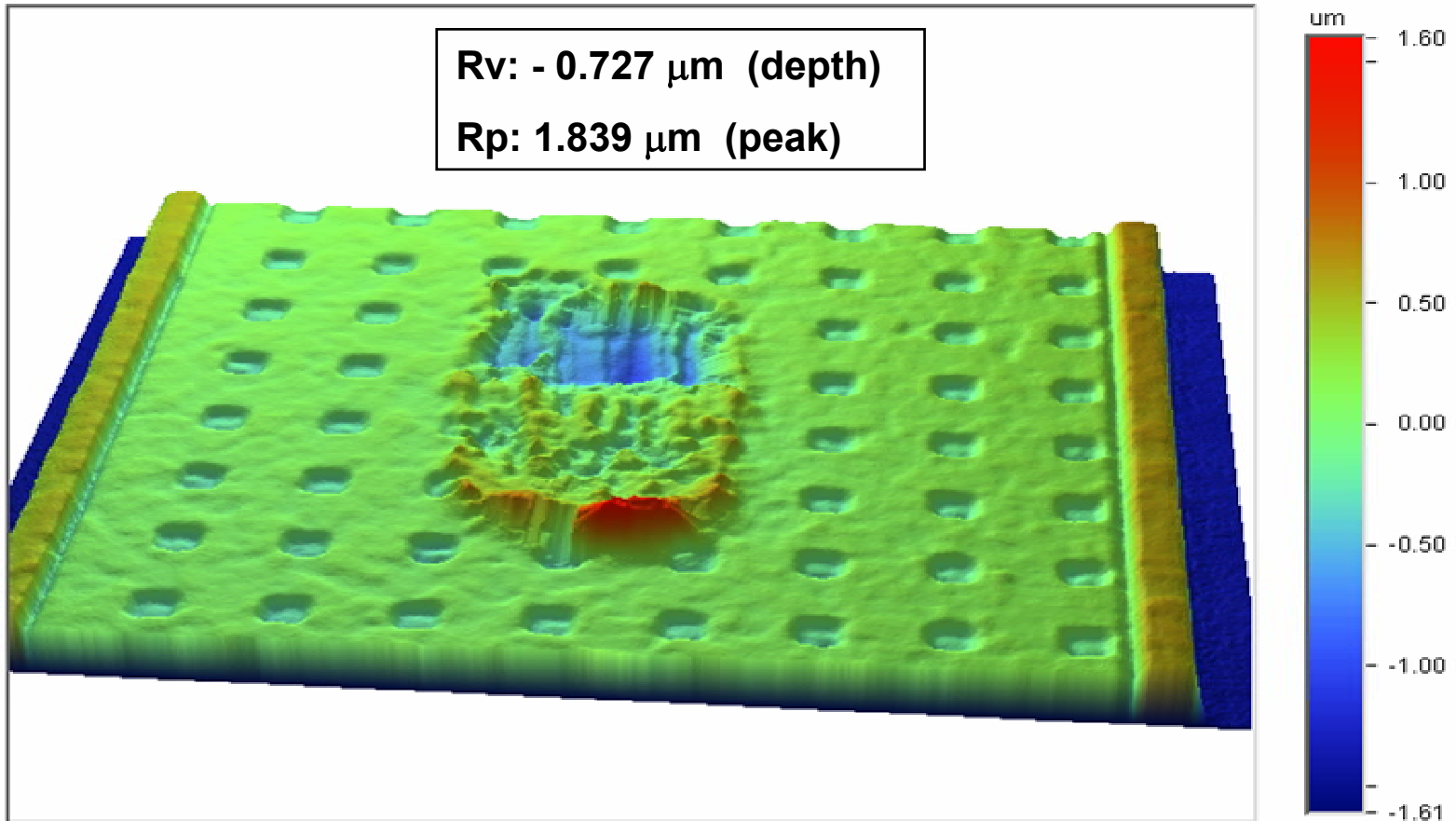
### 1 Pass 2 Touches 50 $\mu$ m OverDrive



# Scrub Mark Depth Analysis

## 3D Profilometer

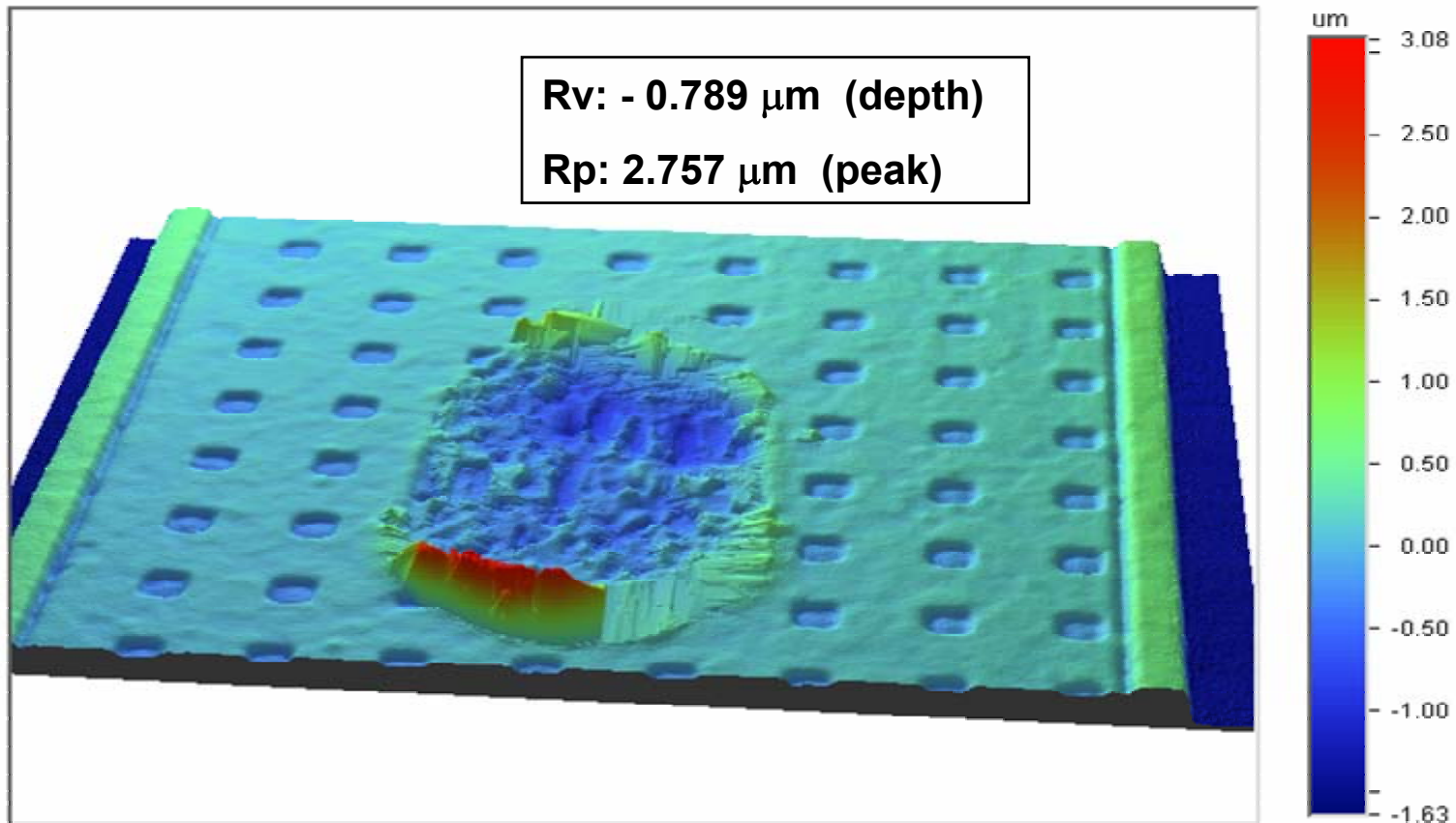
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# Scrub Mark Depth Analysis

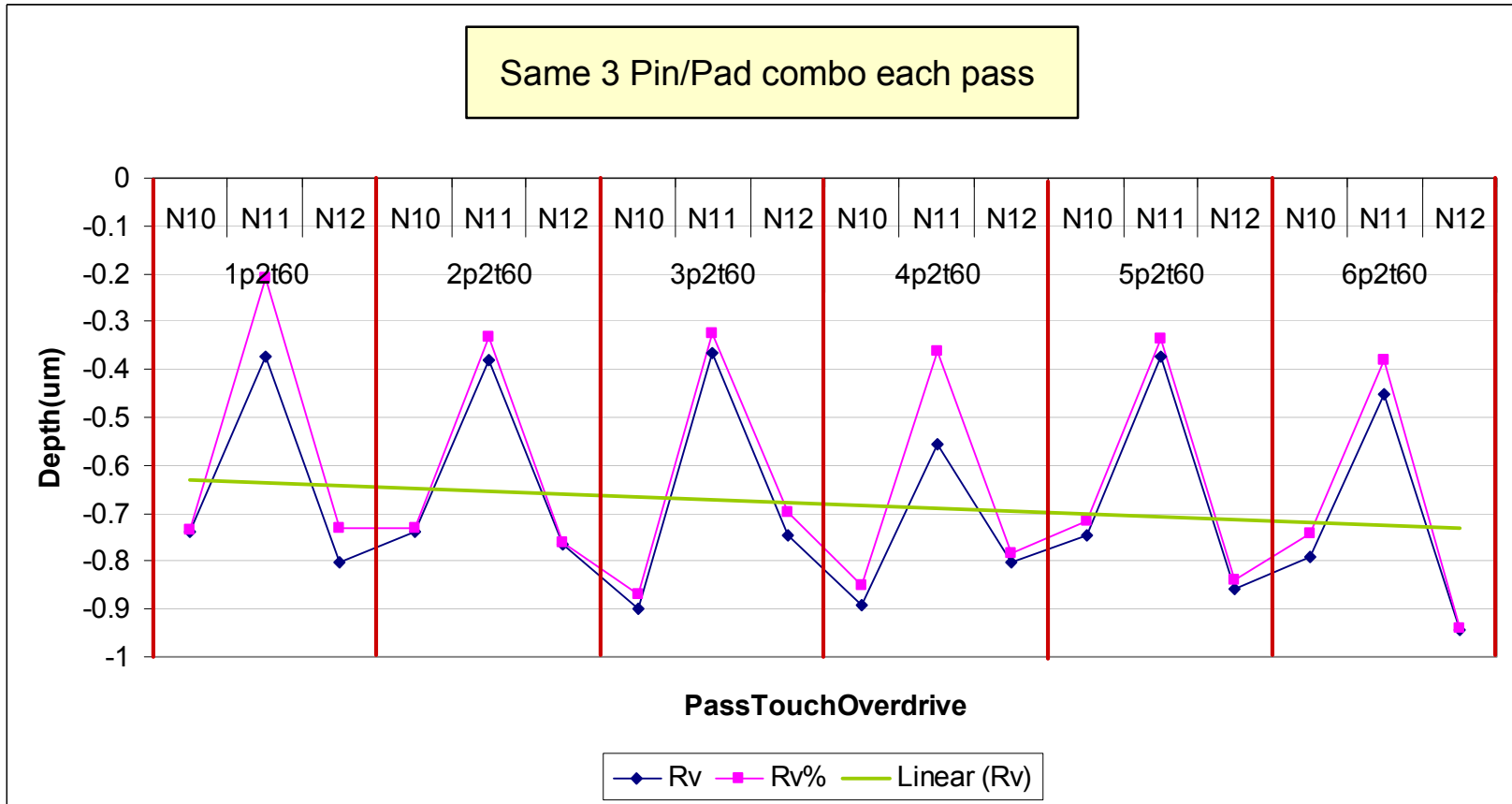
## 3D Profilometer

**6 Passes 2 Touches 60 $\mu$ m OverDrive**



# Summary of Scrub Mark Depth Analysis Data

## 6 Passes 2 Touches 60 $\mu$ m OverDrive

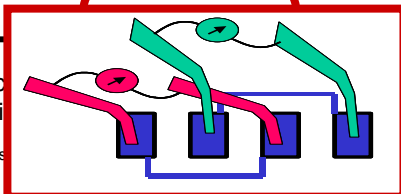




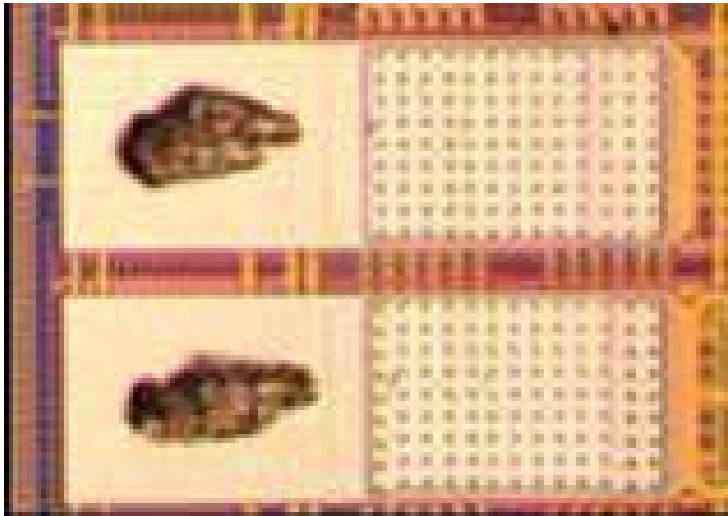


# Reduced data set: 44um Probe Key Responses Results Summary

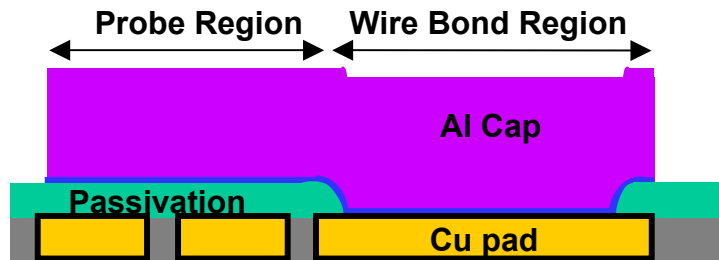
| Est. Rank | Suppliers  | Relative Cost<br>\$ - \$\$\$\$ | Res. Pad Pair<br>Ohms | Elec Cpk<br>Pair vs<br>10 ohm | Die Yield<br>% | Y Cpk<br>1P / 3P      | % Pad<br>Damage<br>1P / 3P | 1 Pass 2T<br>Nom 50um OD | 6 Pass 2T<br>Heavy 60um OD |
|-----------|------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1         | A<br>A44-1 | \$                             | 2.75                  | 5.56                          | 99.3           | 1.81 / 1.57           | 14 / 18                    |                          |                            |
| 2         | B<br>B44-2 | \$\$                           | 3.24                  | 3.86                          | 98.9           | 1.87 / 1.64           | 6 / 10                     |                          |                            |
| 3         | C<br>C44-1 | \$\$\$\$                       | 3.03                  | 3.00                          | 97.8           | 1.84 / 1.77           | 8 / 12                     |                          |                            |
| 4         | D<br>D44-1 | \$                             | 2.62                  | 4.01                          | 98.9           | 1.19 / 1.11           | 8 / 11                     |                          |                            |
| 5         | A<br>A44-2 | \$                             | 2.5                   | 6.15                          | 99.5           | 1.10 / 0.89           | 19 / 25                    |                          |                            |
| 7         | B<br>B44-1 | \$\$                           | 3.09                  | 0.76                          | 77.5           | FAILED                | FAILED                     |                          |                            |
| 8         | E<br>E44-2 | \$\$\$                         | 2.69                  | 3.36                          | 98.9           | 1.39 / 1.21<br>FAILED | 11 / 16<br>FAILED          |                          |                            |
| 9         | E<br>E44-1 | \$\$\$                         | 3.1                   | 0.36                          | 0.0            | FAILED                | FAILED                     |                          |                            |



# What is POP? & Why Is It Used?



- POP is “Probe-Over-Passivation”
- We define it as a “Novel Method of Separating Probe and Wire Bond Regions Without Increasing Die Size”.
- POP is easily implemented on Alum Capped Copper pad wafer designs and may be adapted to others.
- POP saves die size!



## Probe Over Passivation Bond Pad

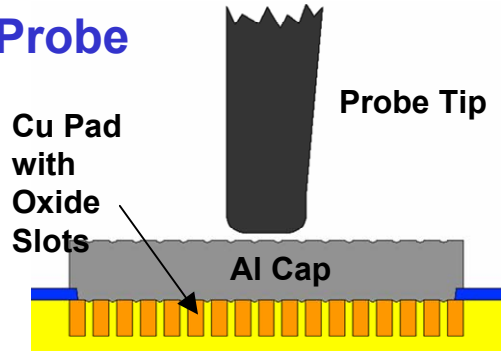
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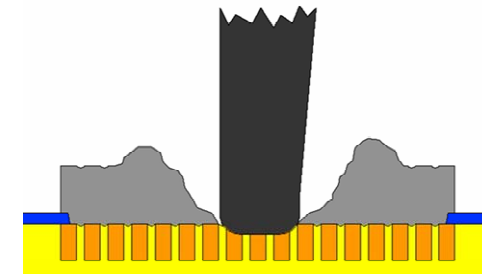
# Why is POP needed??: A Problem Description

## - From an Assembly person's point of view!

### Fine Pitch Probe

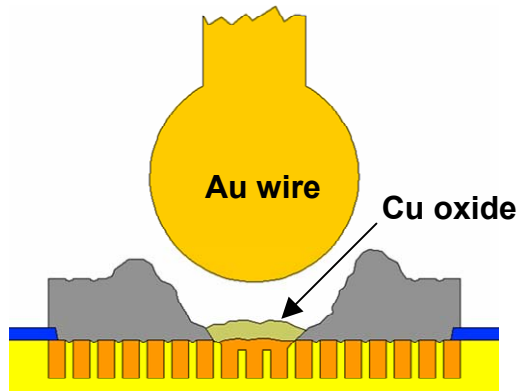


Standard Al Cap Cu Bond Pad

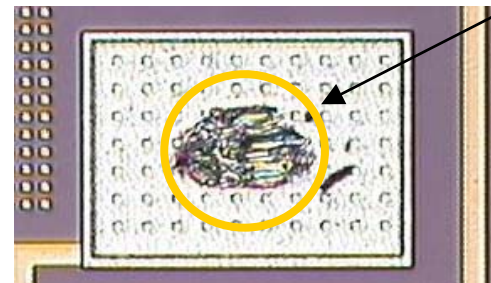


Probe Tip Displacing Al and Leaving Cu Exposed

### Fine Pitch Wire Bond



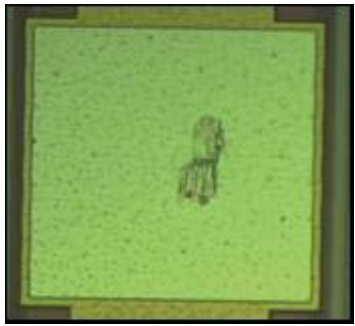
Cu Oxide Causing NSOP (Non Stick on Pad)



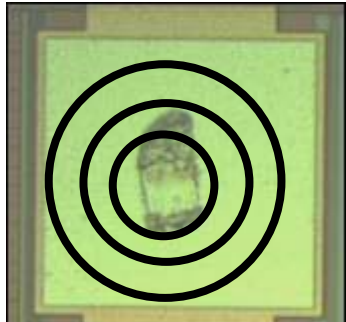
Pad damage causing NSOP



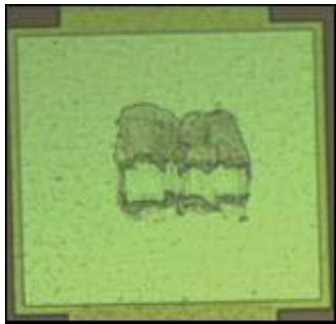
# Ratio of Probe Area to Wire Bond Area



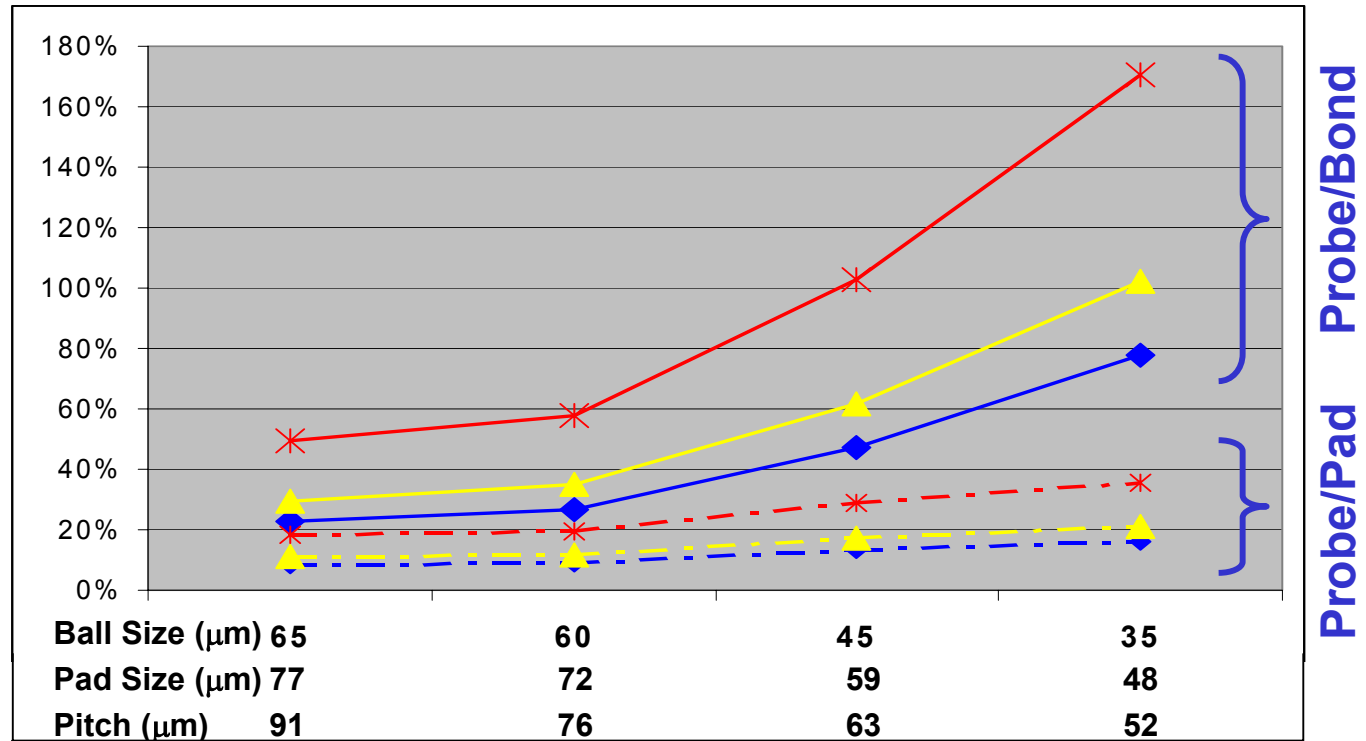
1X Light - 22x28 $\mu\text{m}$



1X Heavy - 20x40 $\mu\text{m}$



2X Heavy - 27x49 $\mu\text{m}$



- **Probe / Bond Area** is more meaningful than **Probe / Pad Area**.
- Fine pitch technology **magnifies** the interaction between probe mark and small bond area.

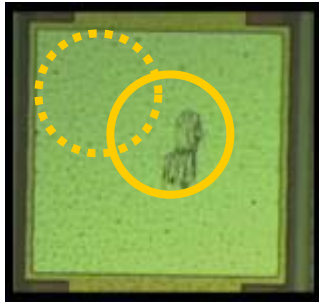
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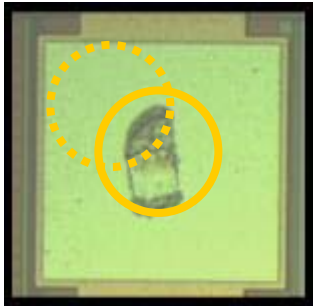
# Wire Bond Yield Loss

43 $\mu$ m Ball Bond

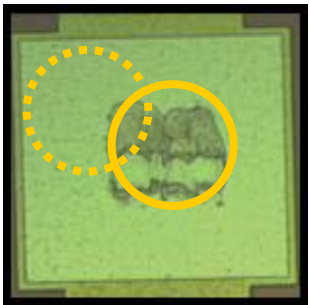
1XL



1XH



2XH



|           | <i>NSOP</i>  |              | <i>Lifted Metal</i> |              |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|
|           | Center Probe | Offset Probe | Center Probe        | Offset Probe |
| 1 X Light | 0%           | 0%           | 0%                  | 0%           |
| 1 X Heavy | 0%           | 0%           | 1.17%               | 0%           |
| 2 X Heavy | 12%          | 0.13%        | 1.95%               | 0.19%        |

Non-stick on Pad(NSOP):

- Very significant NSOP rate for Center Probe compared Offset Probe in 2XH

Lifted Metal after wire bonding:

- Both Heavy probe marks experience Lifted Metal for Center of Probe with higher rate for 2XH
- Lifted metal also experienced for the Offset Probe ( no space)

Large probe marks decrease Au-Al intermetallics coverage and increase bond non-sticks and pad lifts.

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# Alternative Solutions to Probe & Wire Bond Conflicts

## PROBE:

- Reduce probe tip diameter
- Reduce spring force or overdrive
- Control number of probe passes



## Benefits:

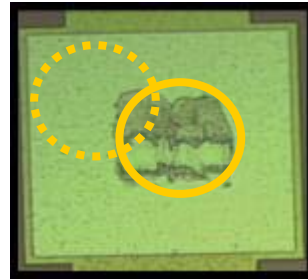
- Create smaller probe mark
- Minimize probe size / depth

## Concerns:

- Difficult probe card fabrication
- Difficult process control
- Unstable contact resistance
- Reduced card life

## WIRE BOND:

- Plasma clean before wire bonding
- Optimize parameters
- Offset wire bond location away from probe



## Benefits:

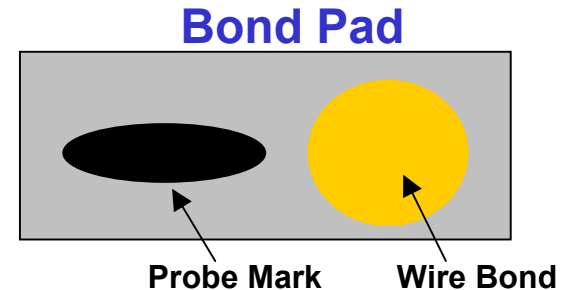
- Minimize NSOP

## Concerns:

- Difficult in small geometry

## PAD DESIGN:

- Elongate bond pad



## Benefits:

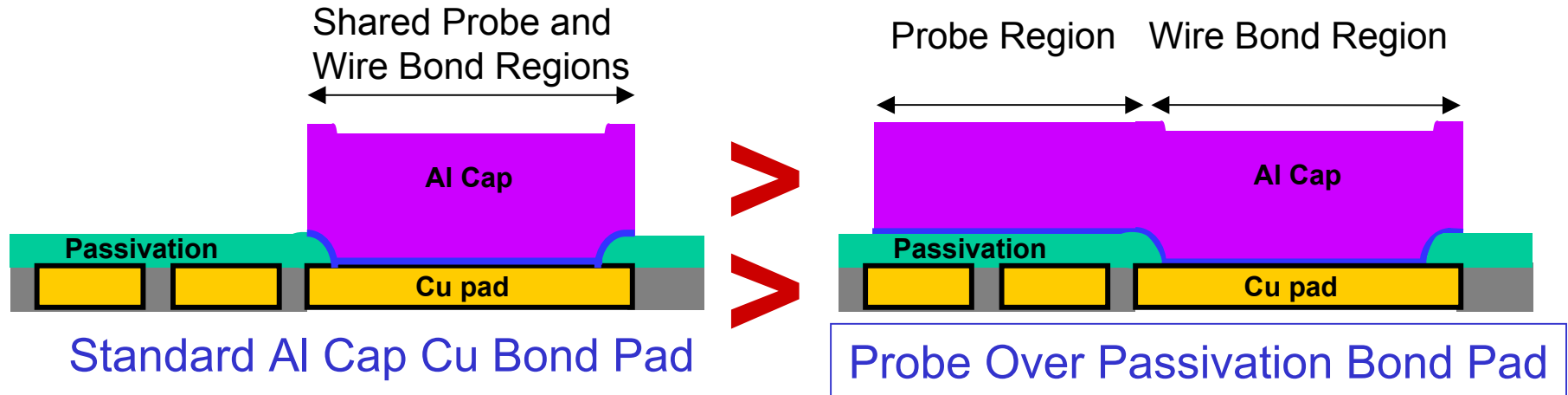
- Separate probe and wire bond regions

## Concerns:

- Increase die size



# Our POP (Probe-Over-Passivation) Solution



## Benefits:

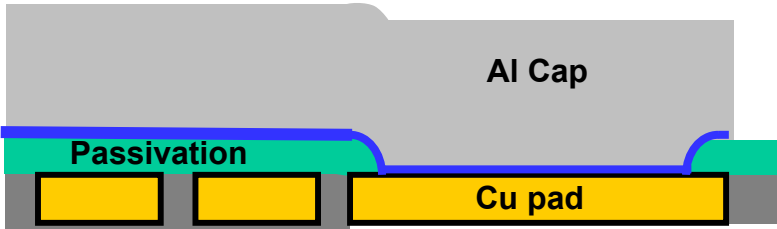
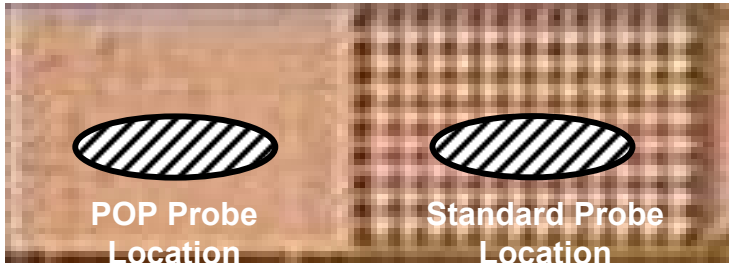
- Eliminate Cu exposure due to heavy probe marks
- Eliminate probe and wire bond interference
- Create longer bond pad but DO NOT increase die size
- Requires 1 mask change: Al Cap
- Low cost solution
- Ease of implementation on existing and new Cu technology products

## Challenges:

- Develop Probe Over Passivation (POP)



# POP Probe Experiment



## Purposes:

- Establish probe yield equivalency between probing on standard and POP locations
- Ensure no passivation damage
- Establish POP probe card specifications

|                              |         | Probe Card Type                     |                                |                               | Cell |
|------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------|
|                              |         | Baseline Standard                   | POP Standard                   | POP Heavy                     |      |
|                              |         | Standard Location<br>Baseline Force | POP Location<br>Baseline Force | POP Location<br>Heavier Force |      |
| Probe<br>Override<br>Setting | Nominal | X                                   | X                              |                               | 1    |
|                              | Heavy   | X                                   | X                              |                               | 2    |
|                              | Nominal | X                                   |                                | X                             | 3    |
|                              | Heavy   | X                                   |                                | X                             | 4    |

Number of Double-touch Passes per Cell: 1,2 3, 4

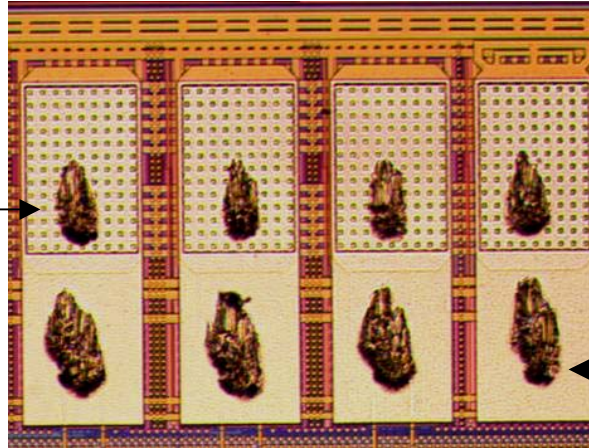
**Results: Comparable probe yields between standard location and POP location! Slightly better w/POP**



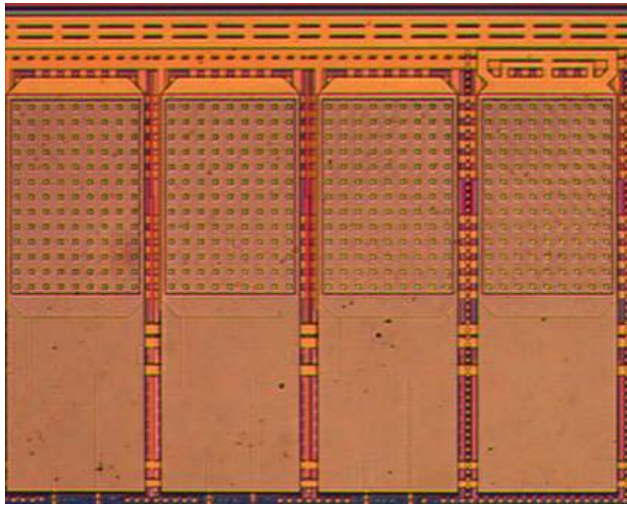


# Passivation Integrity (Cell 4)

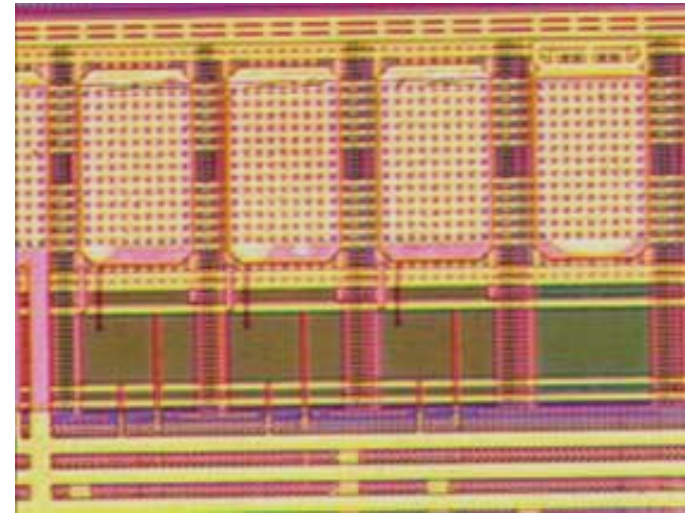
Baseline Location:  
Baseline Force / Heavy OD /  
4 Passes



POP Location:  
Heavy Force / Heavy OD /  
4 Passes



Stripping off Al Cap and Exposing  
Barrier Layer -  
**No Damage**

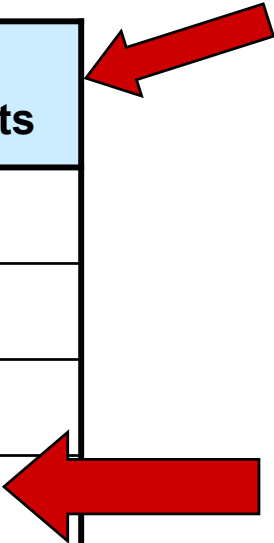


Stripping off Barrier Layer and  
Exposing Passivation -  
**No Damage**



## Wire Bond Yield Improvement (from 52 $\mu$ m studies)

| Device            | Ball Bond Diameter ( $\mu$ m) | NSOP Rejects / Wire Bond Rejects |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Device 1          | 60                            | 41%                              |
| Device 2          | 50                            | 64%                              |
| Device 3          | 35                            | 84%                              |
| Device 4 with POP | 40                            | 0%                               |



NSOP Improvement due to POP design cannot be achieved by wire bond parameter optimization.



# POP Conclusions and Recommendations

## POP bond pad design:

- Extends Al Cap above passivation
- Creates separate probe and wire bond regions without die size increase
- Totally eliminates problem of punching through to Cu and interacting with wire bond

## Probe evaluations demonstrated:

- Comparable electrical yield probing at standard and POP locations
- No damage of passivation or Cu after 6 double-touch passes at heavy force and heavy overdrive
- New POP probe card specification includes higher spring force

## Assembly and package reliability testing:

- Achieved significant improvement in NSOP reduction
- Passed MC-level qualification

Numerous Motorola devices fab'ed in Cu technology at 50 $\mu$ m and finer pad pitches have switched to POP bond pad design.

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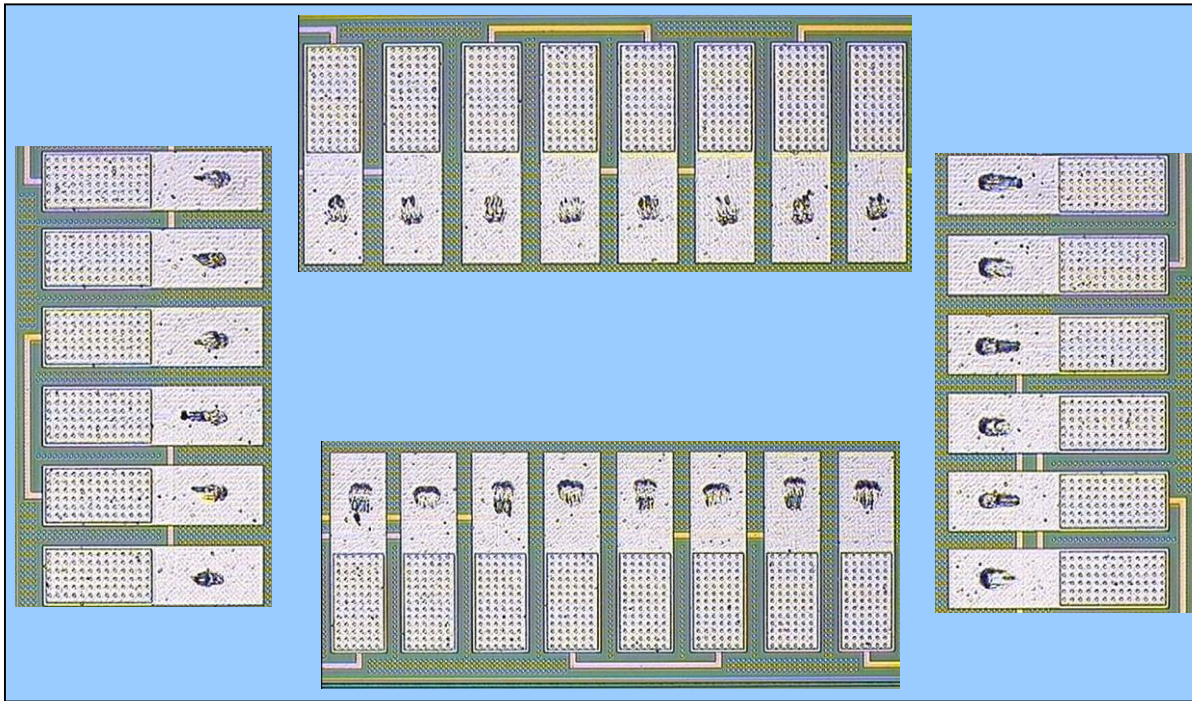
***The following 2 slides are from 44µm POP  
(Probe-Over-Passivation) in the factory.***

***This first device has 500 peripheral pads at  
44µm design rules with POP pads.  
Additional products are in que.***

***2 new probe suppliers were qualified for this  
technology transfer into the Factory.***



# POP (Probe Over Passivation) Probed in Manufacturing Daisy Chain Device



## Key Responses:

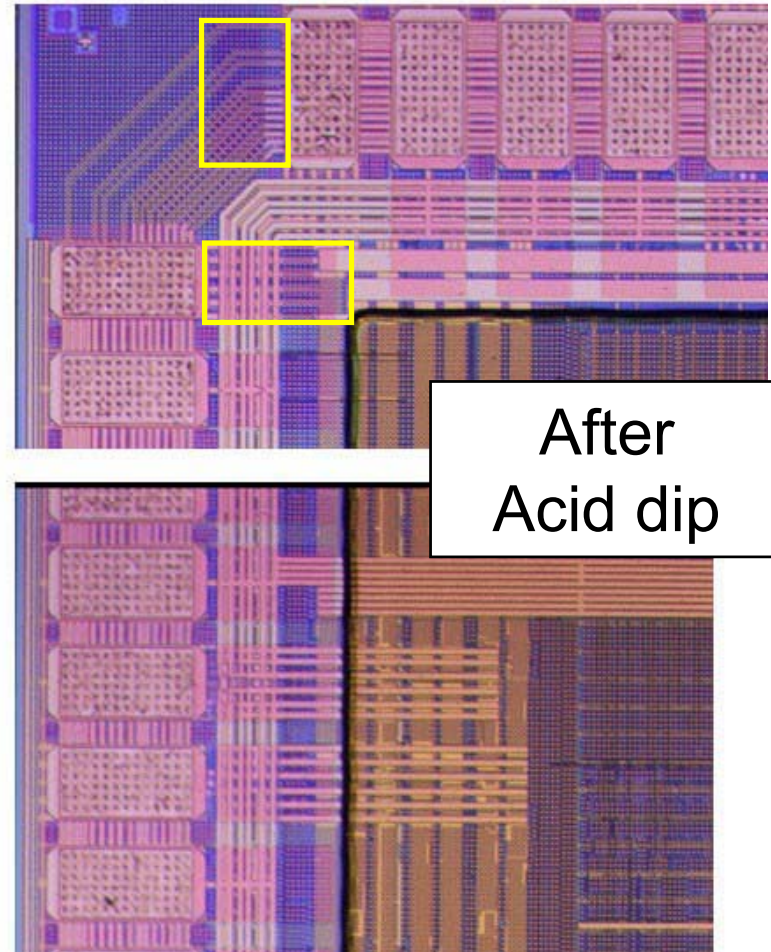
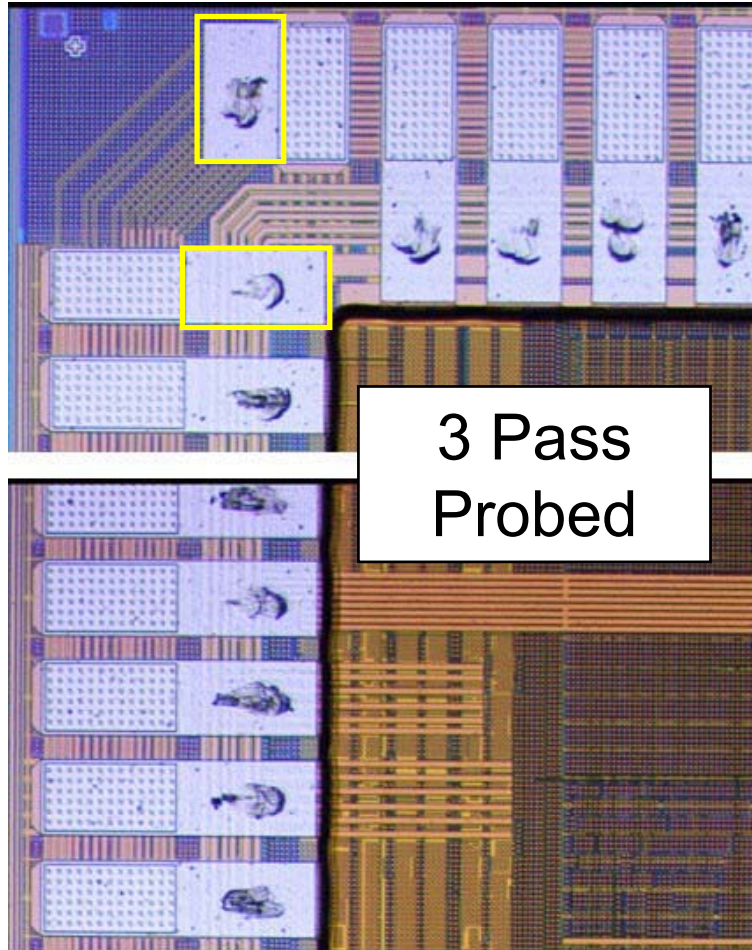
- Prober index accuracy is excellent.
- Relative scrub alignment is excellent.
- Probe layer scrub variation is minimal.

|                                                                                |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| PL= Passivation Length                                                         | 82.00 |
| SL= Average Scrub Length (PR Scrub Y Size)                                     | 26.75 |
| TE= Average Scrub Target Error  Top-Bot  / 2                                   | 4.92  |
| SD <sub>SL</sub> = Std Dev of Scrub Length                                     | 4.90  |
| SD <sub>TE</sub> = Std Dev of Target Error                                     | 3.00  |
| $Y_{C_{PK}} = (PL/2 - SL/2 - TE) / (3 * (\text{SQRT}(SD_{SL}^2 + SD_{TE}^2)))$ | 1.32  |
| $Y_{C_P} = (PL - SL) / (6 * (\text{SQRT}(SD_{SL}^2 + SD_{TE}^2)))$             | 1.60  |



# Durability Testing POP (Probe-Over-Passivation)

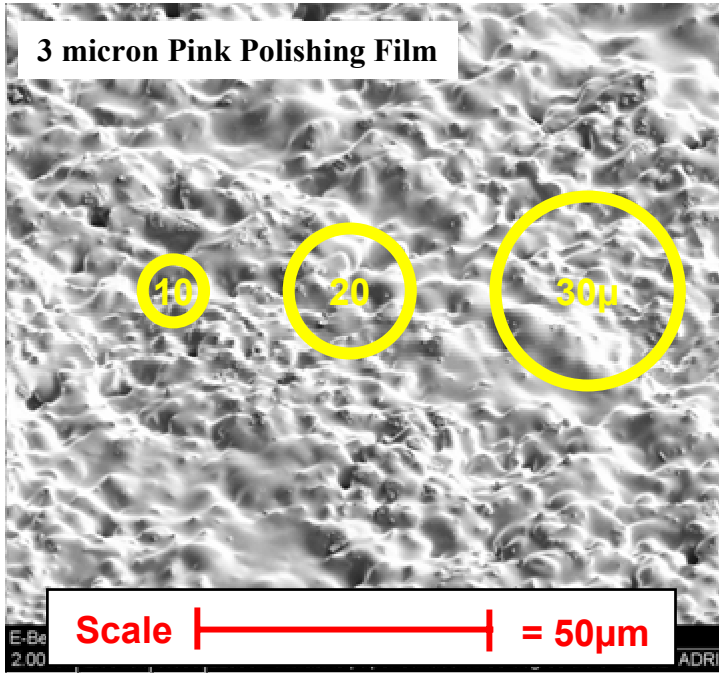
## Probe = 3 Passes of Double Touch



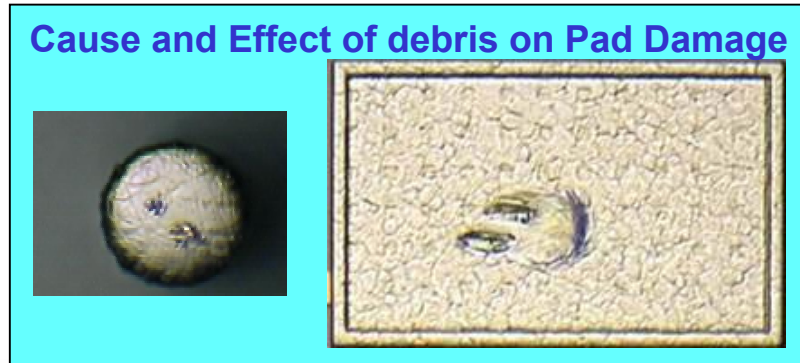
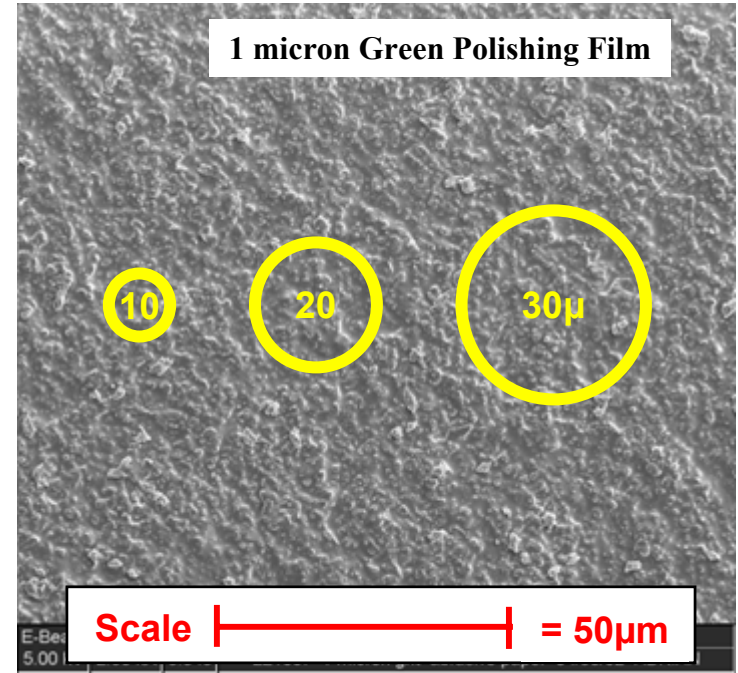
***The following “Lessons Learned”  
are but a few of the many things  
we had to “experience” before  
successful 44um probe.***



# Lesson Learned #1: Changed 3um to 1um Grit Polishing Film



- Scaled Tip Dia**
- 10 10µm 0.4mil
  - 15 15µm 0.6mil
  - 20µ 0.8mil
  - 25µ 1.0 mil
  - 30µ 1.2 mil





## Lesson Learned #2: Polish Pad Level Effect on Polish Z-Accuracy

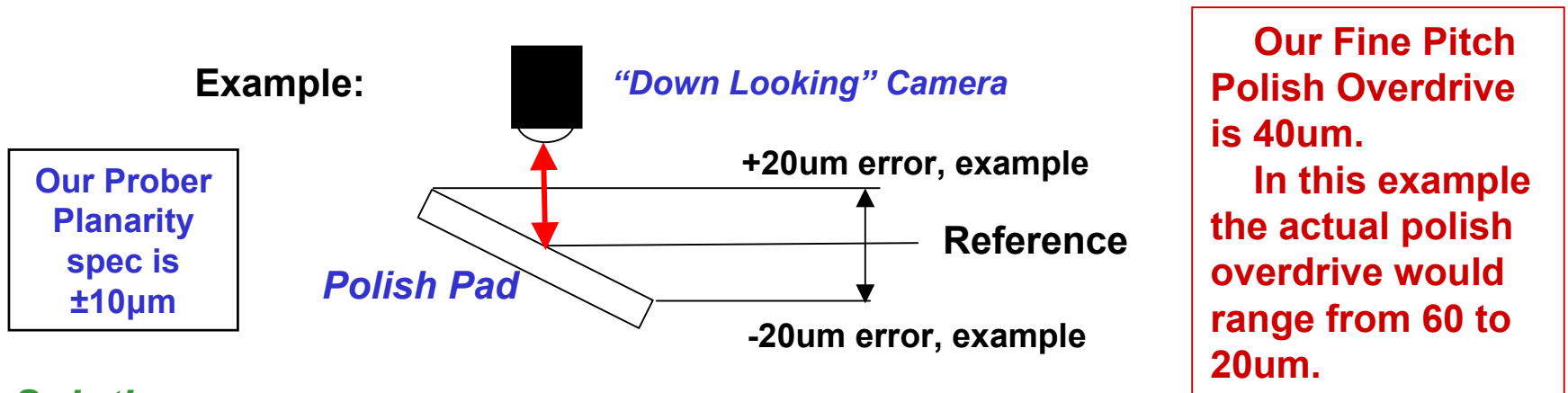
### **Problem Statement:**

- If the polish pad is out of level the probe system does not compensate.
- The prober finds the Z position in 1 spot near center of pad

### **Concerns:**

- The polish overdrive will vary  $\pm$  by  $\sim$  half the amount a pad is out of level.
- Either too much polish (damage) or too little polish (dirty)

**→ Check your polish pads! You can see the patterns.**

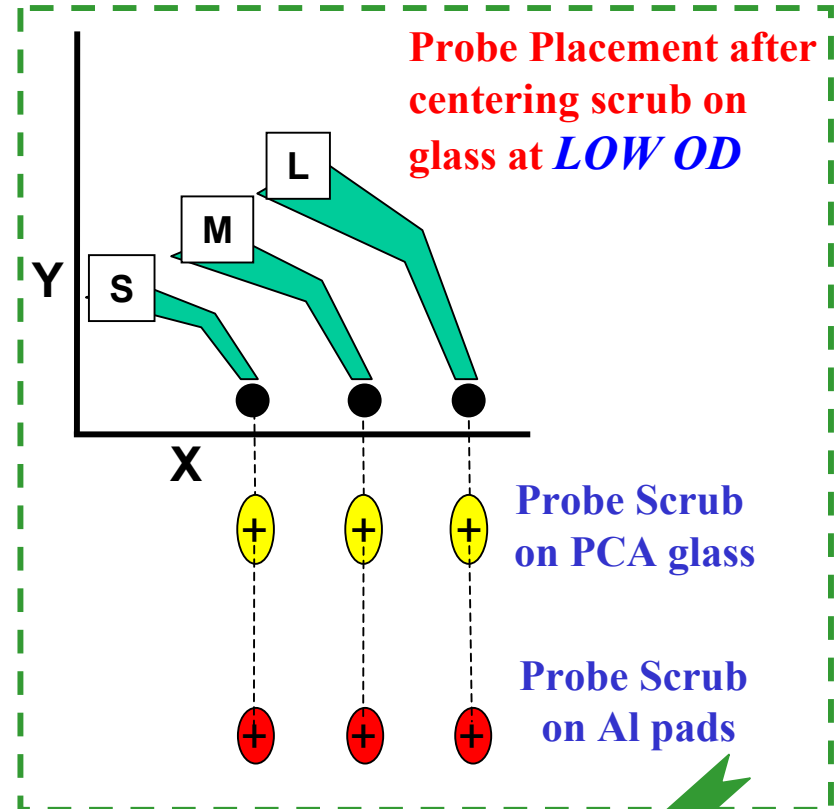
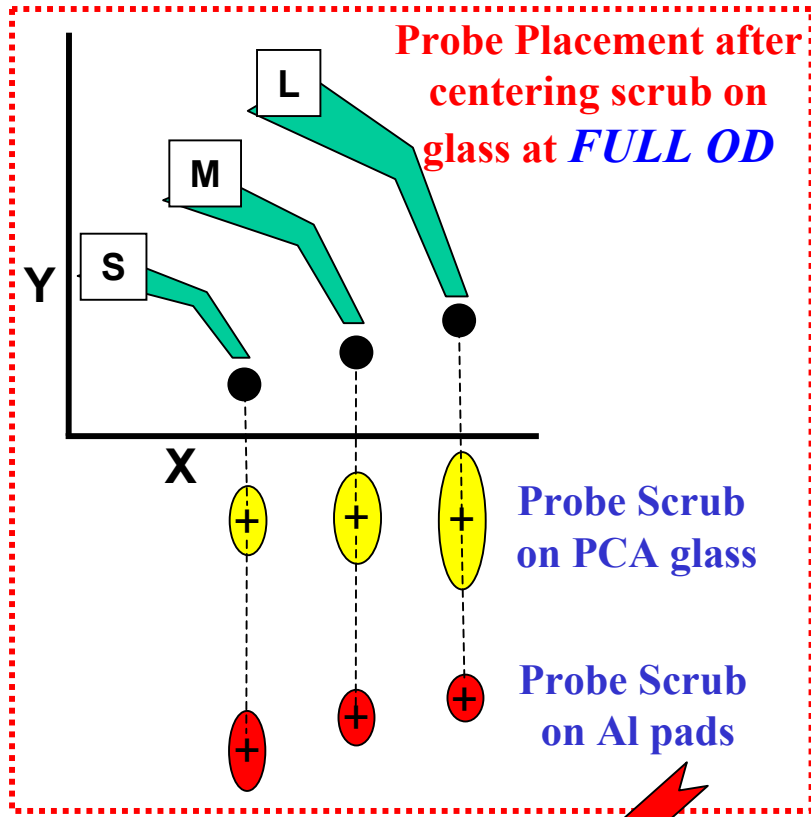


### **Solutions:**

- Use special care in maintaining polish pad planarity to  $\pm 10\mu\text{m}$  spec during PMs
- Must Check pad planarity on prober before any change-over to fine pitch products
- (Pending) Adaptive Z for the pad Z plane is being developed by our prober supplier.



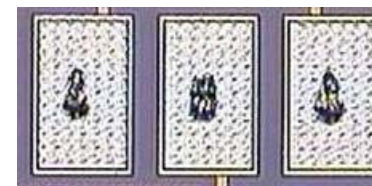
# Lesson Learned #3: Use LOW Overdrive Probe Alignment



Scrub



Typical !



Better !

**Key Observation:** Probe alignments performed at low overdrive,  $<10\mu\text{m}$ , on a glass PCA tool will typically result in good scrub alignment on Al pads.



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## Future Work Planned & In Progress

- 44um x2 @ 150 deg-C
- 37um 448 pads
- 31um 448 pads
- 52um Dual Row High Pin Count (parallel rows w/ pads inline)
- Probe Polish Material Optimization Continues

# Questions?

