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Controlling Pad Damage

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Contact Control Performance



Device Trend (bump pad example)



Accurate Tip Recognition

Accurate Tip Recognition requires:

- **1. Various shape recognition is required**
- 2. Lighting control for the tip diameter is required
- 3. Auto focus of Probe Tip to determine X, Y & Z Position (or electrical verification)



Example Probe Tip Size Trend



Probe Card Examples











Wire



C4 Cobra



Controlling Pad Damage

Controlling Pad Damage can be accomplished by accurately controlling X, Y & Z position of the probe card.

Þ Soft Contact Control is a greater control of X, Y & Z to reduce Pad Damage.



Z Control Examples



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Accurate Probe to Pad Placement

Probe to Pad Repeatability should be +/-4µm (at any temperature)





TEL Probe to Pad Accuracy is guaranteed Measurement by TEL CMS



The Shape & Depth of Probe Marks

Standard Contact

Soft Contact Control



WPC 80pin , OD=60um , on Al-Cu wafer

Minimal Pad Penetration and Probe Mark Volume



Material Dislocation

Standard Contact

Soft Contact Control



• Minimal Pad Penetration results in lower particle generation

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Standard vs Soft Contact



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Contact Resistance

Contact Resistance for Soft Contact Control is Stable



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Wide Area Polish Plate

with Needle Continuity Area

Merit

Eliminates the need for Polish Wafer and Dummy Wafer
In-situ Continuity Checking ensures electrical location of needles
Use is selectable by program interval or bin failure





Brush cleaning

Merit

Enhances the Wide Area Polish Cleaning Method
Low impact cleaning with various parameters

Material	Original Organic	New Material
Photo		
Bristle Cross-section	\bigcirc	\bigcirc



WAPP Quick Exchange

Exchange from SACC cover (front of Prober) any time without undocking test head without adjusting of planarity



Extra WAPP Plate

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