









Wafer Baking

What are bake plates for?

- Soft bake to remove solvent (80-200°C)
- Hard bake to polymerize and/or crosslink polymer resins (140-400°C)
- Post Exposure Bake to enhance photolithography (100-150°C)
- Dehydration bake to remove water molecules from wafer surface (120-140°C)

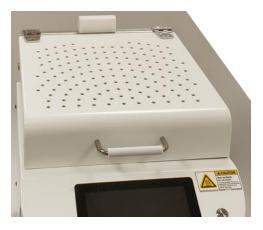
What is important in a Bake Plate?

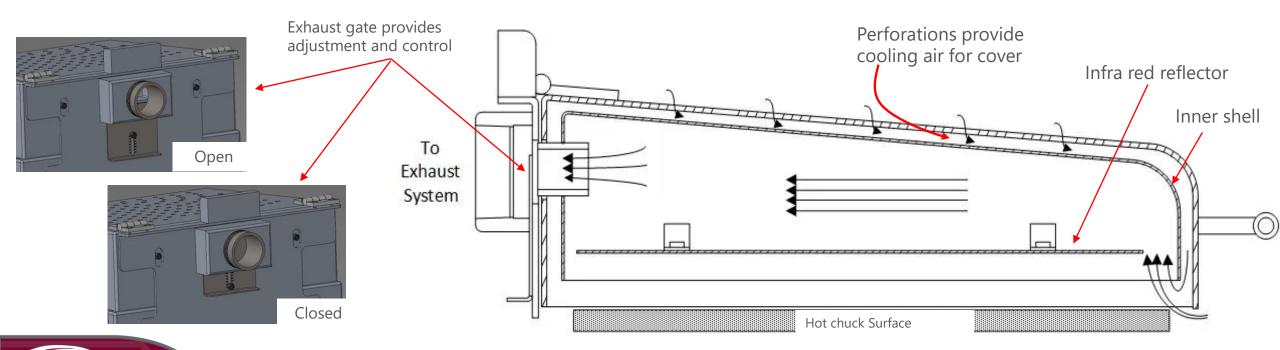
- Safety
- Uniformity
- Repeatability
- Flexibility
- Programmability



Integrated Double Shell Exhaust cover

- Protects operators and manages chemical fumes
- o Infrared reflector panel increases uniformity and repeatability
- Eliminates stray air currents that can cool the wafer





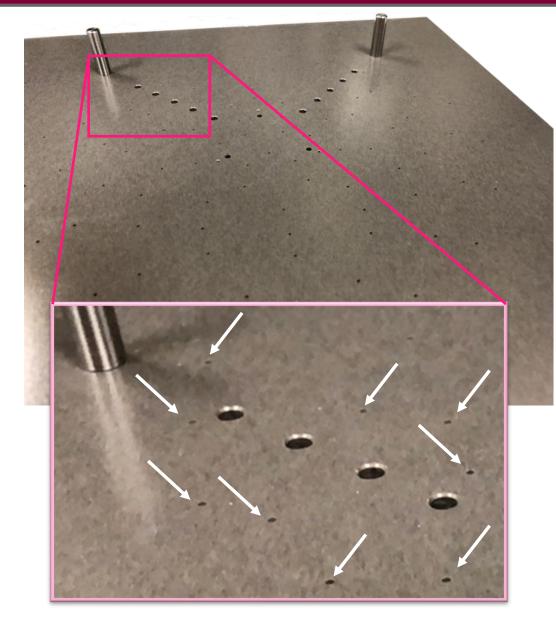


Uniformity

- Complex platen design with proprietary metal alloys and heat element provide maximum uniformity ±0.3% at 200.0°C
- o ±0.6°C at 200.0°C
- Ultra-flat surface (no grooves)

Superior repeatability wafer to wafer, hour to hour, day to day, machine to machine

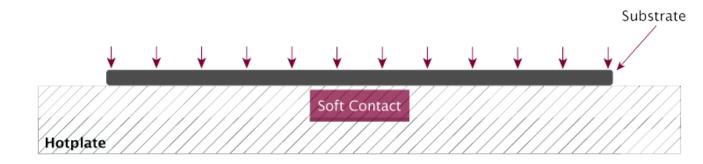
- Sophisticated controls
- Manufacturing quality systems
- o Airflow management inside and outside the machine

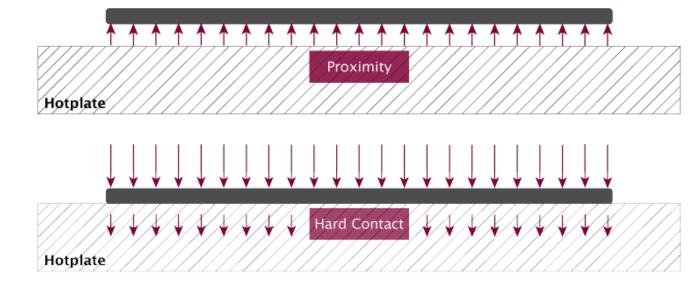




Flexibility

- 3 bake methods
 - Soft contact
 Wafer held to platen by gravity only
 - Proximity
 Wafer floats on a layer of heated gas (25μm)
 - Hard Contact
 Wafer held firmly to platen by vacuum



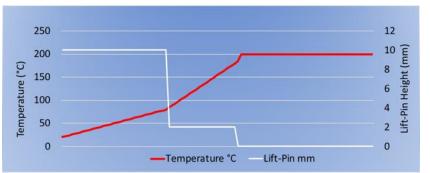


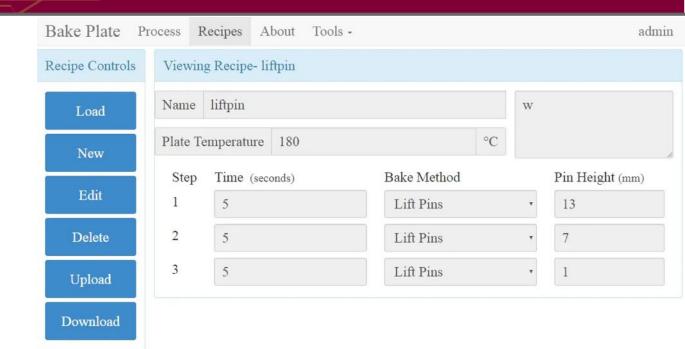


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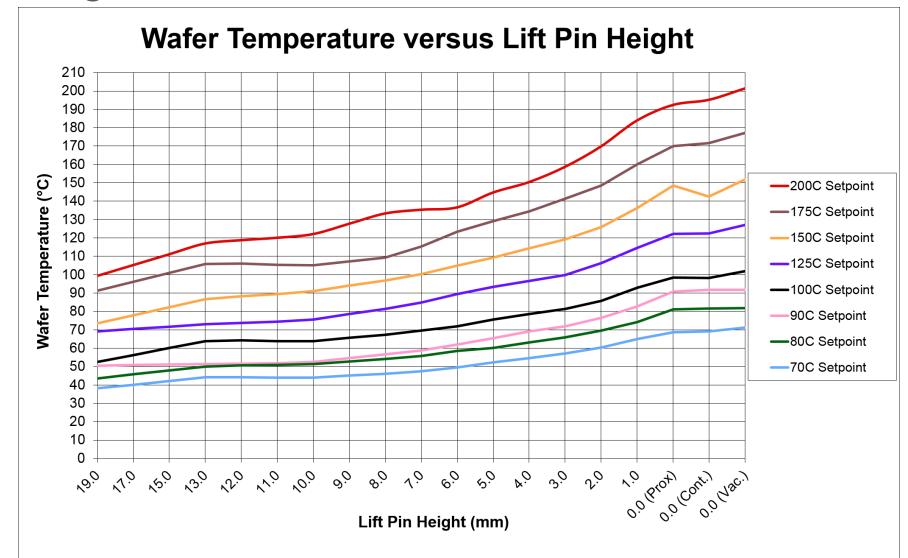
Smart-Pins

- Programmable
- 0 19mm lift height
- 0.1mm precision
- Allows controlled heat up for delicate substrates
- Minimizes thermal shock for GaAs, GaN and glass wafers
- Can replace multi-stage, multi-tool bake processes

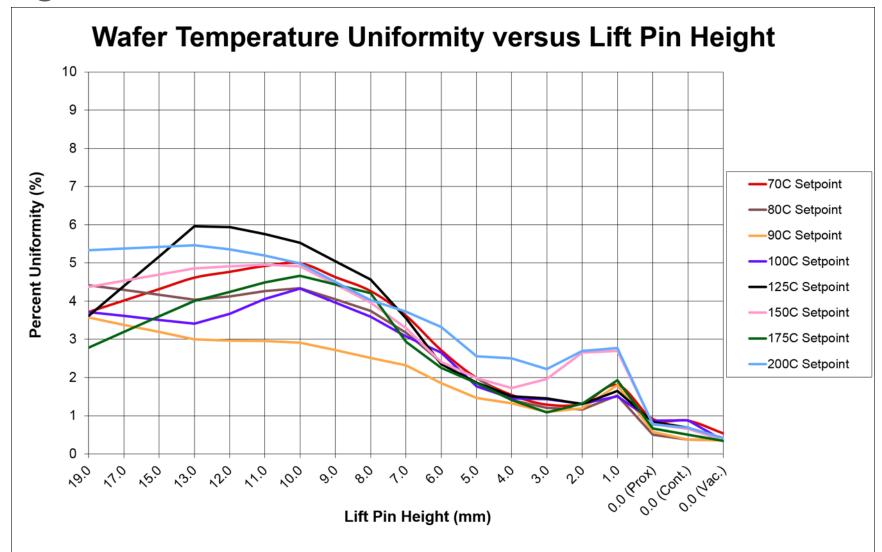












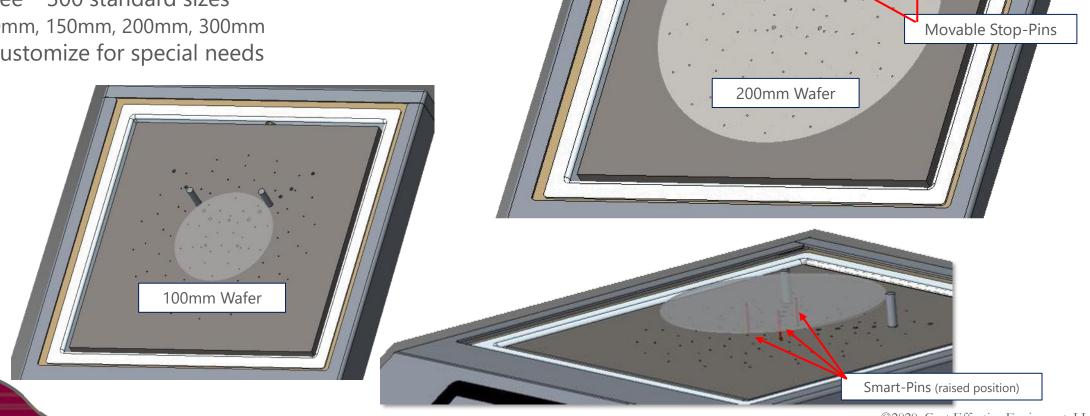


Flexibility

Cost Effective Equipment

Multi-substrate

- Apogee™ Bake Plate standard sizes 2 inch, 3inch, 100mm, 150mm, 200mm
- Apogee™ 300 standard sizes 100mm, 150mm, 200mm, 300mm
- Can customize for special needs



Programmability

DataStream™ https://www.costeffectiveequipment.com/technology/

Network connection by web browser outside the lab/cleanroom (Tablet, PC, Phone)

Start/stop heating

Create/edit, upload/download process recipes

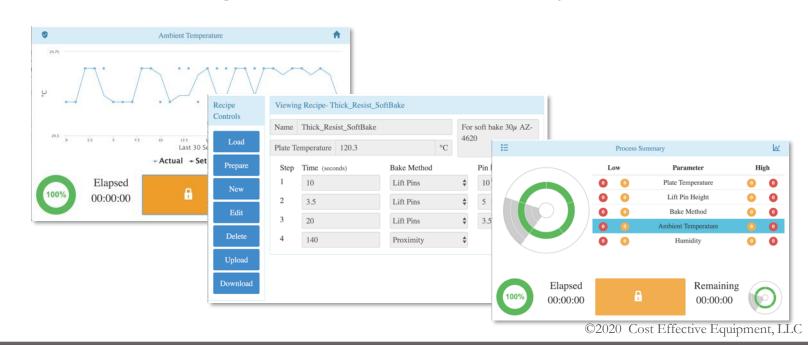
Monitor processes in real-time

Download detailed process logs in Excel® format (including ambient temperature and humidity)

Unlimited recipes

Unlimited steps

Ramping temperature control



Cee Apogee™ Chill Plate

Used for controlled end to bake process

- Active cooling Ambient to 15.0°C
- Water chiller included
- Same features as Apogee[™] Bake Plate (does not include exhaust cover)

