

## **Cornell NanoScale Science & Technology Facility**

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Figure 1: CNF Impact Areas

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## **Cornell Nanoscale Facility**

#### **Status and Accomplishments**

### Who are we?



- We are a uniquely capable nanofabrication facility within NNCI
- Site of strong, active biology, physics, electrical engineering and materials research activities
- Educator of the next generation of interdisciplinary engineers and scientists
- Engine of economic development
- Provider to large external user community (~40%)
- 40 years of experience as a successful user facility focused on nanofabrication
  - New strategic directions and activities

Addressing NSF's 10 Big Ideas on Data Revolution, Quantum Leap, Convergence, Rules of Life, Future of Work, ...





## **Equipment Resources**

#### **Status and Accomplishments**

### **Most Advanced Lithography Suite in NNCI**



#### **JEOL 9500 and JEOL 6300**

Most advanced e-beam lithography in NNCI





ASML 300C Deep UV Stepper (248 nm)

Most advanced photolithography and only Deep UV Stepper in NNCI









UV Steppers (i-line and g-line) (x2) Mask Fabrication (x2) Contact Lithography (x3) Nanoimprint Nanoscribe 3D printer Extensive resist processing support

### **CNF STAFF** Innovators and Expertise









## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** *Highlights*

### CNF is a major creator of startups

- Current users include 30 small companies, 10 large companies
- Pacific Biosciences, a \$1B company valuation, is a CNF startup from 2010
- 12 new start ups from Cornell technology in first 4 Years of NNCI (Xallent, Esper Biosciences, FloraPulse, Ultramend, Jan BioTech, Heat Inverse, JR2J, White Light Power, Odyssey Semiconductor, GeeGah, OWIC Technologies, Soctera )
- PRAXIS: Engineering and Physical Sciences Business Incubator, co-located in Duffield Hall – 5 new startups next door
- NILT from Denmark set up its North American operation in Ithaca specifically to take advantage of CNF's JEOL 9500 and ASML stepper
  - Now a major industrial user

















### **CNF STRATEGIC FOCUS** *Plans and New Capabilities*







### **3D FABRICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION** *Plans and New Capabilities*

### New 3D Printing Capability in the Multiscale 3D Fabrication Facility (M3FF)



**CNF** Nanoscribe



3D printing lab



- Through CNF's strategic planning process, identified a need for improved 3D fabrication and characterization to serve needs in:
  - Nanobiotechnology (tissue scaffold, organ on a chip device, 3D cell movement control, neural electronics)
  - Heterointegration (nanophotonics, photonic crystals, microautonomous systems, nanosonic fluidics, new integrated mechanical structures)
- By partnering with existing Cornell resources we will be able to deploy this capability now covering length scales from nm to mm
- CNF will build on its new Nanoscribe 3D Lithography System and existing 3D printers by absorbing 9 additional printers to create a 3D printing facility.
- CNF will provide booking and billing entry point for this remote user and hands-on service.
- Current CNF staff will be trained in new tool use and repair.



### **3D FABRICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION** *Plans and New Capabilities*

### New 3D Visualization Facility (3VF)

- New imaging capabilities available within the Cornell Institute for Biotechnology will be linked to CNF/NNCI for non-destructive imaging of 3D structures
- Adding 3D imaging capabilities largely new to NNCI
- Tools include confocal and multiphoton microscopes, superresolution microscopes, X-ray CT, ultrasound, and bioluminescence/ fluorescence macro imaging systems for nm to mm size range.
- This hands-on facility will add important imaging capabilities to NNCI and will be accessed through CNF, employing a new CNF-supported staff member.











# **Dealing with COVID**







## **Operations**

#### **Dealing with COVID – 19**









### **New Equipment**



<u>Nanoscribe Photonic Professional GT 2 3D Laser</u> <u>Lithography System</u> --National Science Foundation Major Research Instrumentation Award (MRI)

- Sub-micron scale 3D micro and nanofabrication tool
- Based on precise implementation of 2-photon processes
- Enable the fabrication of nano-, micro- and mesostructures with feature sizes down to 160 nm up to several millimeters
- Supports our efforts in Biotechnology and new emerging materials and chemistry technologies





#### C&D Semiconductor

- Automated wet process lift off tool
- Reclaim of precious metal and reduction of chemical use
- Improved quality, reliability and process repeatability







## **NEW EQUIPMENT** *Highlights*

### **New Equipment**



#### YES EcoClean

- Single wafer, downstream ICP stripper
- Photoresist SU8 and polyimide strip, descum, and inorganic substrate cleaning/surface modification
- Remote ICP source produces a high-density oxygen plasma
- Wafers of 2 to 8" diameter
- 3,000 W RF power and hot plate temperature up to 300 C for fast resist removal





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#### Plasma-Therm Atomic Layer Etch (ALE) system

- Joint development agreement with Plasma-Therm for Atomic layer etching
- CNF will be providing process development support
- ALE allows precise (atomic layer by layer)
- This supports our strategic focus in 2D Materials





## **NEW EQUIPMENT** *Highlights*

### **New Equipment**



#### Woollam RC2 Spectroscopic Ellipsometer

- Measuring thin film thicknesses and optical constants of multilayer thin film stacks
- Parallel detection for rapid measurement and full wafer mapping of film properties
  - Replaces the older technology Woollam ellipsometer





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#### <u>Woollam M-2000 in situ Spectroscopic</u> <u>Ellipsometer</u>

- The M-2000 will be attached to the Plasma-Therm Atomic Layer Etch (ALE) system
- Real time in situ measurements of thin films





### **New Equipment**



#### AJA Orion 5 Sputtering system (AJA #3)

- Load locked sputter deposition system
- 3 targets expandable to 5 targets
- Simultaneous co-sputtering of targets, and can deposit magnetic materials
- Supports our efforts in 2D materials and Quantum Information Systems



Highlights

**NEW EQUIPMENT** 



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#### HDP-CVD System from Plasma-Therm

- High density SiO<sub>2</sub>, Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, a-SiC, and a-Si films at low temperatures, ranging from 80°C to 175°C
- Supports efforts in 2D materials and Heterointegration





### **NEW EQUIPMENT** *Timeline*



## **NEW Capabilities** Etch and Dep Highlights



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## **NEW Capabilities** Atomic Layer Deposition-Highlights





- *Increased source/process reliability*
- *Newly derived processes:*
- plasma  $Ta_2O_5$
- thermal Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> •
- plasma TaN •
- thermal TaN

- *New ozone processes for Pt, Al*<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, and TiO<sub>2</sub>.
- Addition of 2 new precursors:
- Hf: TDMAHf
- Zr: TDMAZr
- High-k dielectrics: HfO<sub>2</sub> & ZrO<sub>2</sub>. H2O and O<sub>3</sub> based process development.
- *Future development of ferroelectric HfZrO<sub>x</sub> thin film.*





## **NEW Capabilities** *IT Highlights*



- Tech Sessions via Zoom
- New Website launched after last user meeting

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#### **CNF** Retirees

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*Jerry Drumheller -* with 26 years of service at CNF retired on January 31<sup>st</sup>





• Denise Budinger- with 26 years at CNF retired on August 7th

 Kathy Springer - with 17 years of service at CNF will retire on September 15<sup>th</sup>









## **Continual Improvement** User Feedback Form

### Feedback

- We would love to here back from our a better CNF
- Please visit the online feedback form
- It now has a option for attaching files of the feedback and provide a solution solution
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