EXAMPLES OF OPTICAL ASSESSMENT OF SURFACE CLEANLINESS OF GENESIS SAMPLES

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60326 SOS B/C array

Sample has been exposed to UPW cleaning (5 min.,3000RPM, 40°C) and UV ozone cleaning. Additional surface cleaning was done in HCL bath after allocation. An overview scan (Fig. 1) shows that small features were subsequently added to the sample surface. Fig. 2. displays an inset of data for position 1.



Fig. 1. Features present at the time of allocation are in yellow. Features present after PI return are in red. The area bounded by the square was scanned at higher magnification (position 1).

Particle Counts

Fig. 2. Sample 60326.

This inset displays 413

objects detected by

the software Image

Pro Plus. The area is

 0.02 mm^2

The bottom image

has been classified

into colored size bins.

Example of colorized size

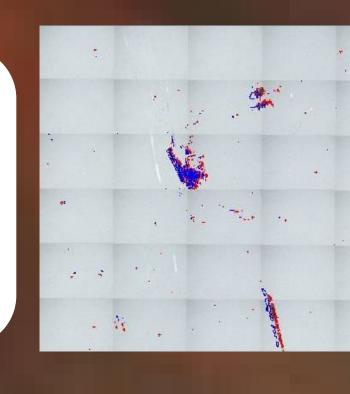
binning for sample 60326

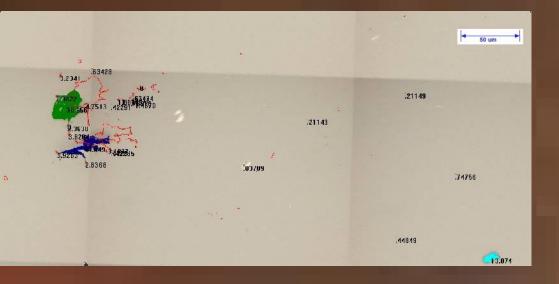
using Image Pro Plus.

61052 Si-FZ B/C array

The sample has been UPW cleaned (5min,3000RPM, 40°C) and exposed to UV ozone cleaning. Additional surface cleaning was done by CO₂ snow exposure after allocation. The sample was imaged before allocation and after its return. 464 objects were detected after its return to JSC, compared to 321 objects observed at the time if its allocation.

Sample 61052 Position1, image on the right. Features present at the time of allocation are in red. Features present after PI return are in blue. The field of view is ~1mm².



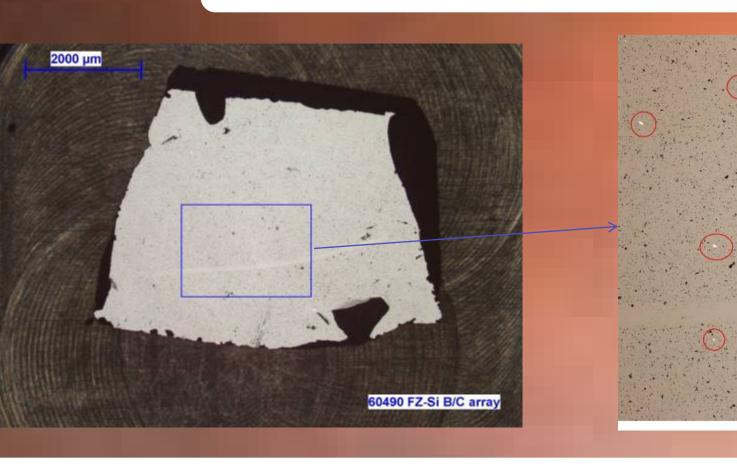


Inset of sample 61052 Position 1. The sizes (in µm) of detected features are displayed. Objects outlined in red were present before PI return (these do not have measurements displayed). The field of view is ~0.1mm².

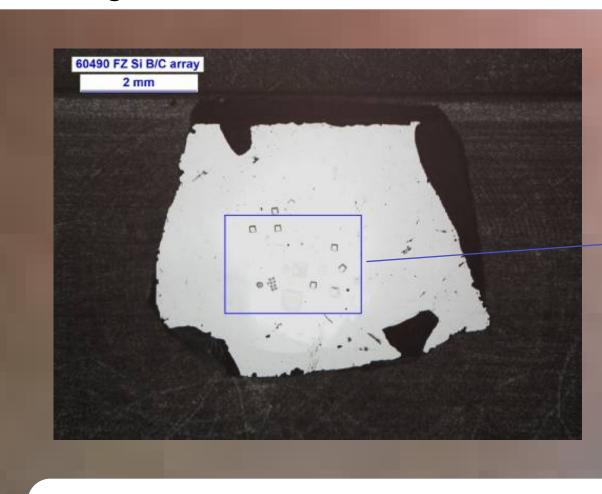
White Ovals

From comparing the before and after pictures: Green circles show same features and red circles indicate white ovals.

60490 Si-FZ B/C array



Before allocation: Images were taken before the sample had any exposure to cleaning treatments. White ovals can be seen in the image to the right.

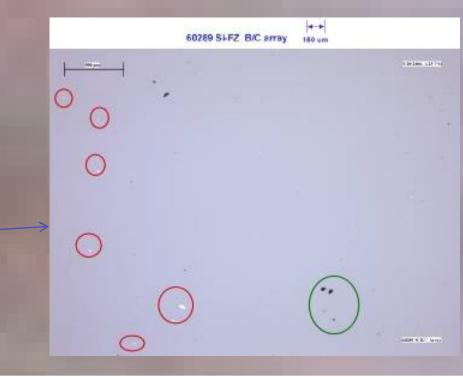




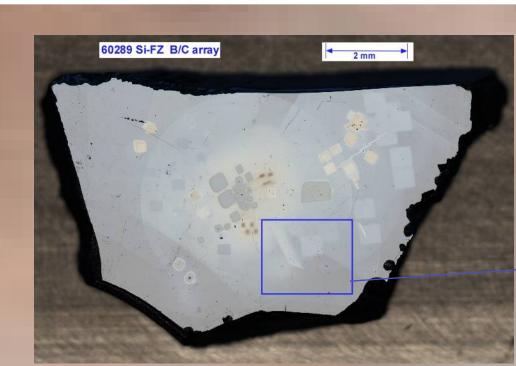
After allocation: Images were taken after 80 hours of aqua regia cleaning plus RCA cleaning. No white ovals can be seen.

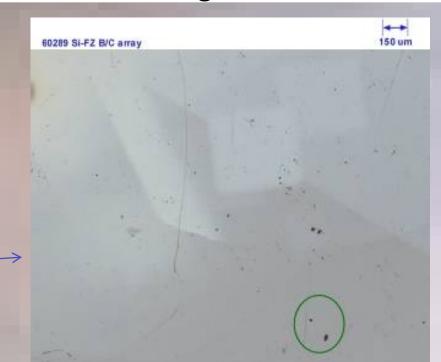
60289 Si-FZ B/C array





Before allocation: Sample was UPW cleaned for 1 min at 40°C. Several white ovals can be seen in the before images.





After allocation: Images of the sample were taken after UPW cleaning (5min, 3000RPM, 40°C). Previous handling of the sample include SIMS, TOF SIMS, TRXRF, acid etch. No white ovals can be seen.

Position Two Position Three

Fig. 3. A 5X magnification of mosaic scan of the sample 60491. The areas bounded by the squares were imaged at higher magnification.

Brown Stains

% Objects

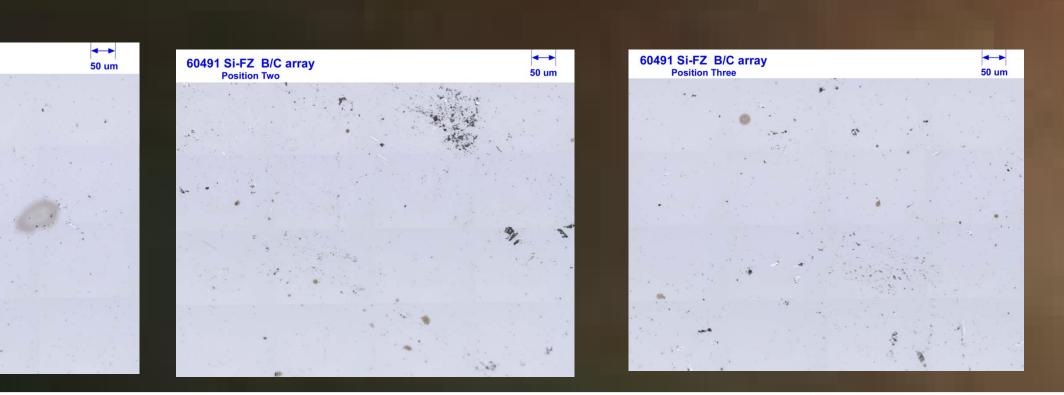
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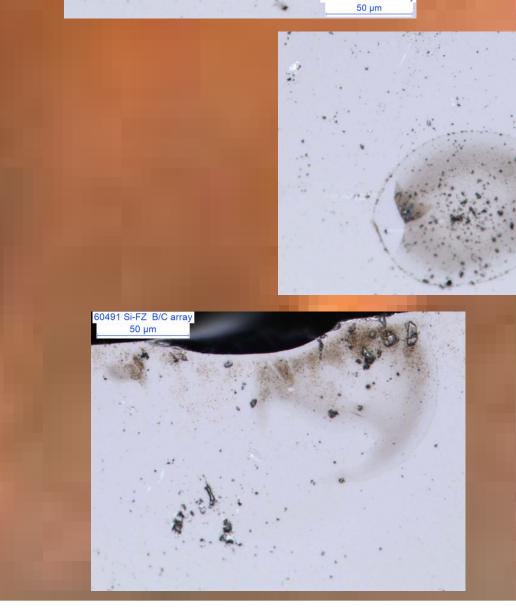
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60491 Si-FZ B/C array

Sample has been exposed to Li Implant, UPW cleaning and XPS analysis. Images were taken after its second Li Implant. Brown stains appeared after XPS analysis.



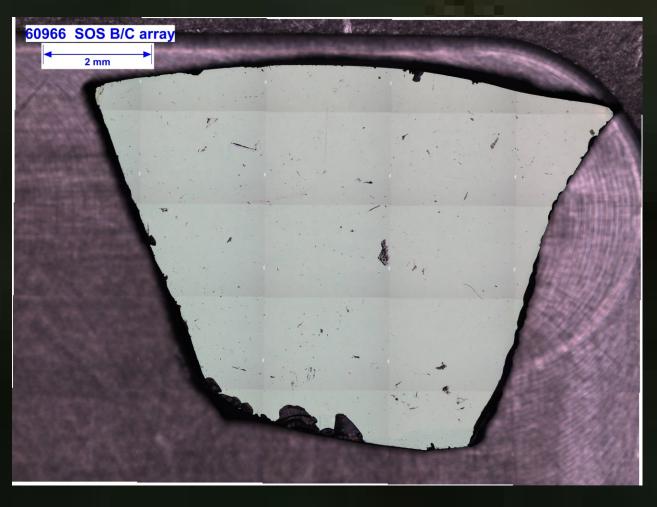
Position 1, Position 2, and Position 3 are 50X magnification of mosaic scans from selected areas in Fig. 3. Brown stains can be seen in several parts of the sample.



Top three images are 50X magnification of single shots from interesting features (brown stains) of sample 60491 (Fig. 3.).

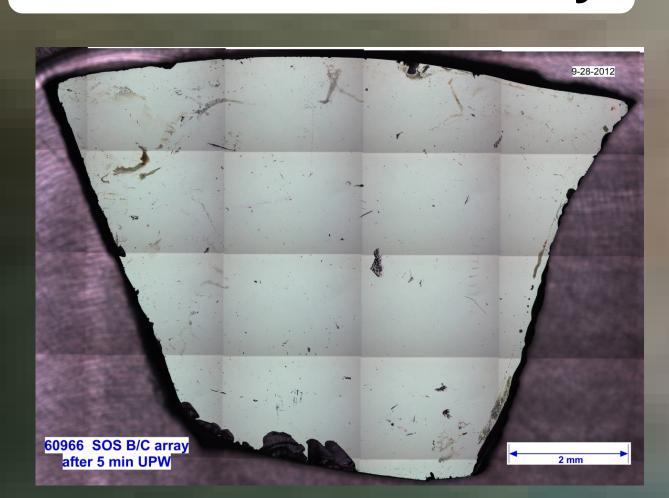
Acetone Residue

First image: Sample was exposed to UPW cleaning, CO₂ snow cleaning, HCL/HF cleaning, HNO₃ cleaning, and TRXRF analyses.



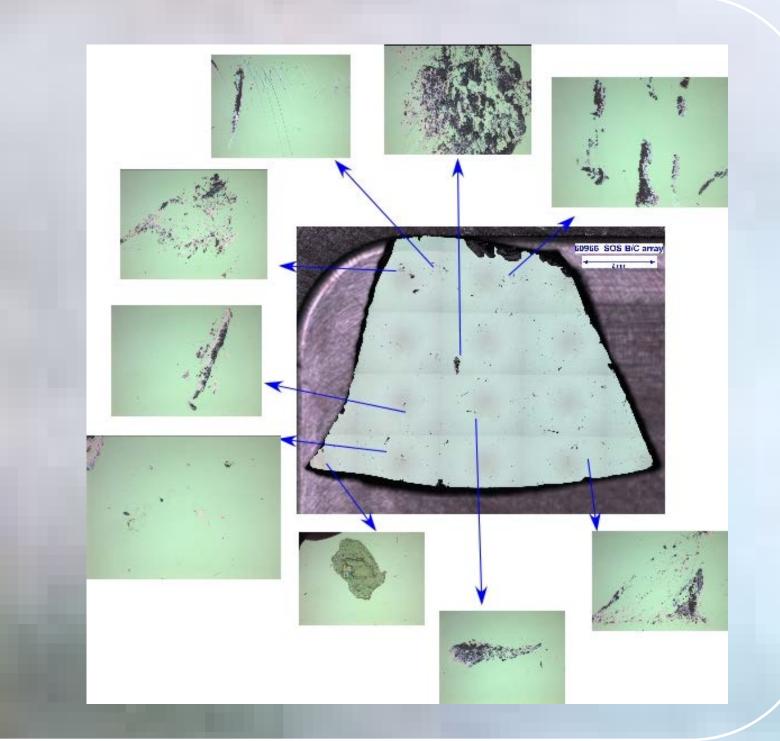
Second image:
Acetone residue
can be seen after
replica peels and
acetone rinse.
Image was taken
after 5 min. of
UPW cleaning.

60966 Si-FZ B/C array



Third image: Pictures
were taken after 30
seconds of IPA application
and 20 minutes of
additional UPW cleaning.
Smaller images indicate
material that was added to
the sample after replica
peels and acetone rinse
which was not removed by
UPW cleaning.

Final



Then

9.90