# fab materials and patterning challenges for future IC technologies

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### Agenda



#### Moore's Law in 2018+



Keys to Success in Semiconductor Supply Chain



Patterning Challenges in Advanced Logic & 3D-NAND



**Summary** 

"The number of transistors and resistors on a chip doubles every 24 months" -Gordon Moore

#### **Two Implications:**

- 1. Cost per square millimeter goes up over time
- 2. Doubling of transistors = "Scaling"
  - Improves performance
  - Cost per transistor declines



# WHAT IF MOORE'S LAW IS APPLIED TO ....

#### TRANSPORTATION?



We could travel to the Sun on a single gallon

#### **AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY?**



We could feed the world's population with 1km<sup>2</sup> of land

#### **SPACE TRAVEL?**



We could travel at 300x light-speed

Source: Intel estimates.



# IS MOORE'S LAW DEAD? NO!



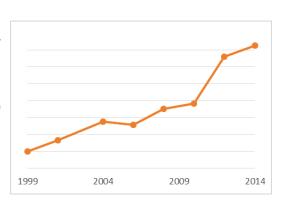


# Keys to Success in the Semiconductor Supply Chain

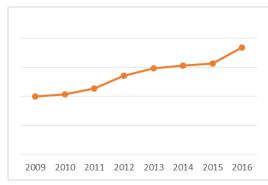
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# Semiconductor technology progression is as much about changes in materials as it is about line width scaling.

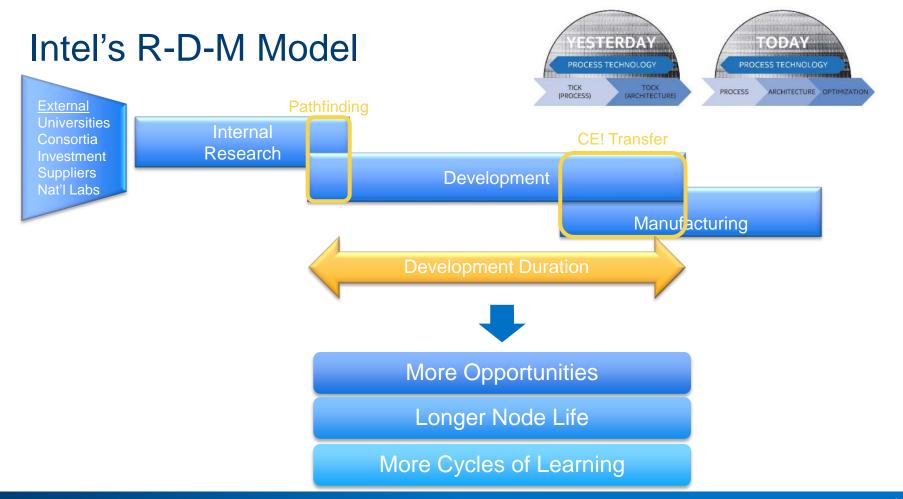
New materials per technology have increased 600% in the past 17 years.



The number of active raw material part numbers increased almost 85% in the past 7 years alone.



New materials mean more suppliers, more sub-suppliers, and increase the importance of effective Supply Chain management.





### What does Intel look for in our Suppliers?

Cost Quality **Availability Technology** Sustainability



Successful Suppliers perform well in all areas



# Intel's supply chain spans from our suppliers' sub-suppliers to our customers' customers.

Material sub-suppliers Material suppliers Intel manufacturing OEM Customers

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Small problems not prevented early increase exponentially in impact as value is added in the supply chain.

















We need **your help** to drive these

9 quality elements into the supply chain.



Maintain change control

incoming material

quality

Understand and **segment** the supply chain

process control

Supplier selection

Trace and contain non-conforming material

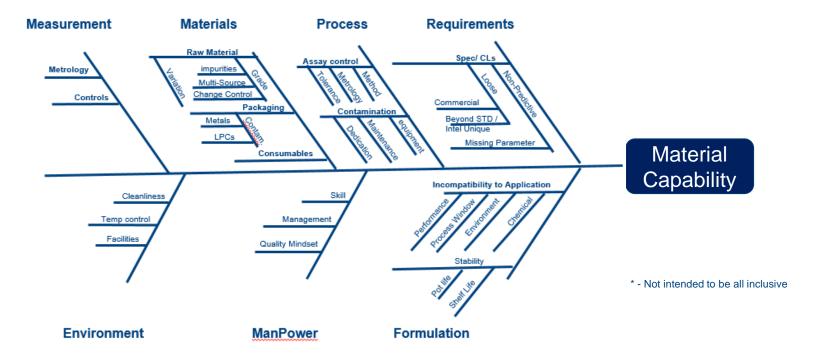
Ensure business continuity

Train sub-suppliers

Follow the **EICC**Code of Conduct

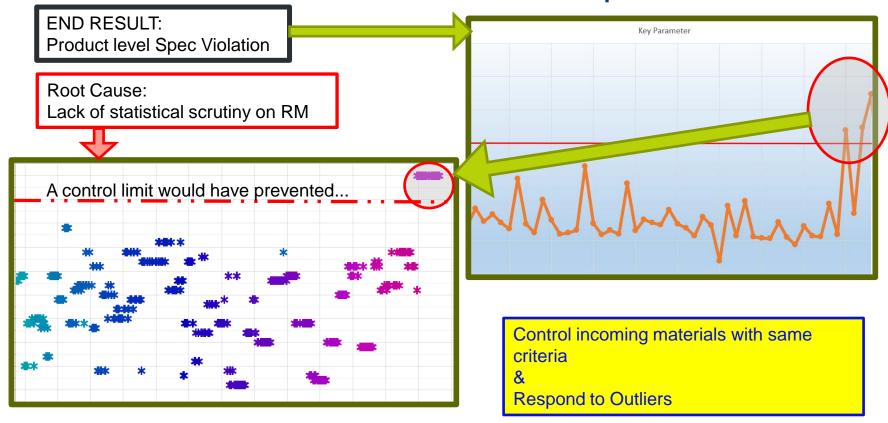


#### Material Performance Depends on Many Factors



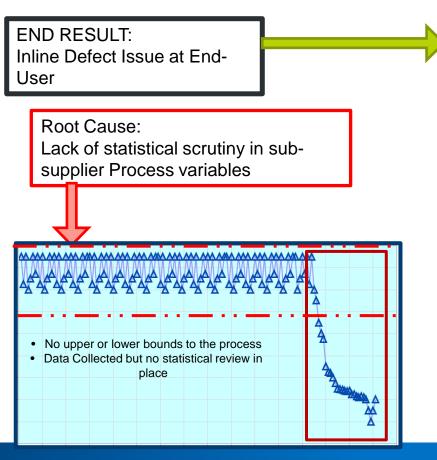
Deep Supply Chain Understanding is needed to Mitigate Risk

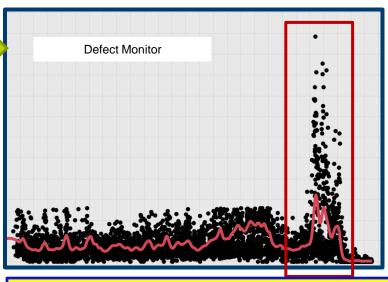
#### Process Control: Raw Material example





#### **Process Control: Inline metrics**





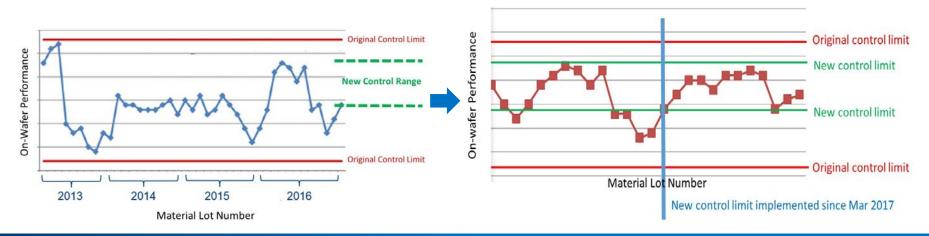
- Manage sub-supplier processes with the same 3 sigma criteria
- Respond to Outliers
- Lower is not always better
- Process variables should be bounded on both sides

## Process Control: In the Supply Chain

Challenge: Process maturing at the customer generates new material control requirements.

What worked in the past will not be sufficient in the future.

**Solution:** Determine Raw Material Correlation to On-Wafer Performance and Tighten Process Control at Raw Material supplier

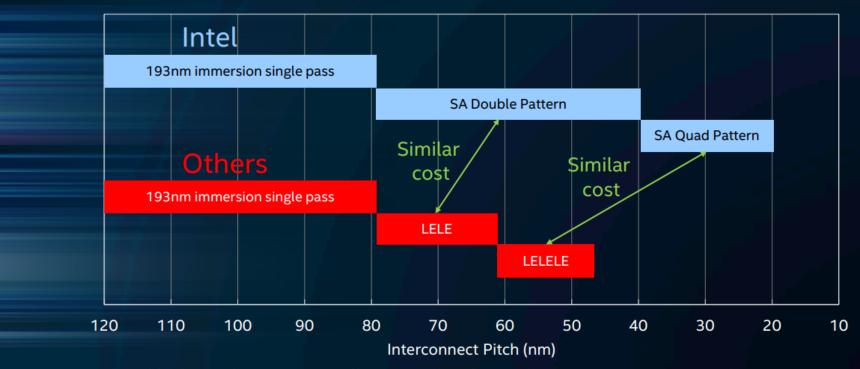




# Patterning Challenges for Advanced Logic and 3D-NAND

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## **INTERCONNECT PATTERNING OPTIONS**



Self-Aligned Patterning allows Intel to have dense interconnects at lower cost.



# SELF-ALIGNED PATTERNING LEADS TO PROCESS CONTROL

Self-Aligned Double Patterning



Litho-Etch-Litho-Etch



LELE process has yield and performance risk with mis-alignment between patterns.



#### **Emerging Patterning Technologies**

**EUV:** Extreme Ultraviolet

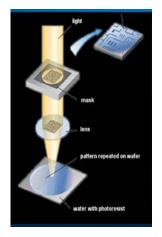
M-EBDW: Multiple E-Beam Direct Write

**DSA:** Directed Self Assembly

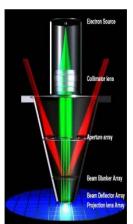
**NIL:** Nano Implant Lithography

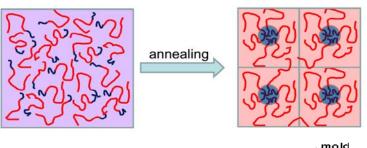


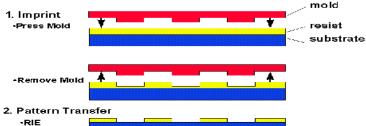
#### **EUV**



#### E-Beam





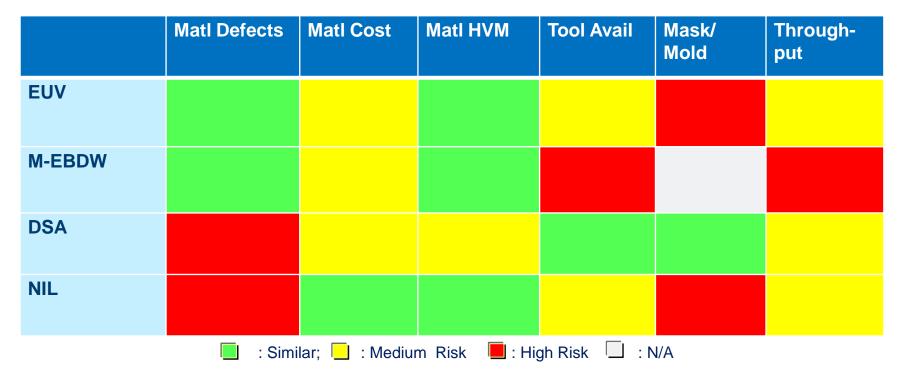


DSA

NIL



### New Technologies vs ArF Immersion



ARF Immersion is still the Main Workhorse in the near future



## Summary

Entire semiconductor **Supply Chain** is working harder than ever to advance **Moore's Law** 

Material Capability and Consistency requirements run Deep into the supply chain

Novel Materials and Patterning techniques bring New Challenges







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