## **AD12**

### SEMI-AUTOMATED WET-PROCESSING SYSTEM





# FLEXIBLE SOLUTION FOR AQUEOUS DEVELOPMENT AND CLEANING,

SUSS MicroTec's semi-automated wet-processing system AD12 offers superior cleaning and developing functions for aqueous media applications. The single-wafer processing platform serves pieces, wafer sizes up to 300 mm, square substrates up to 230 mm x 230 mm, and tape frames for wafers up to 300 mm. Its ability to handle various media and processes gives the flexibility needed for switching between applications and makes the tool the first choice for research environments and small scale productions.

#### SUPERIOR FLEXIBILITY

The AD12 demonstrates its versatility by being able to handle many different kinds of substrates using optimized chucks. Even fragile substrates (e.g., InP, GaAs) can be securely processed. Special tooling and an extensive range of easily adjustable process parameters make the AD12 suitable for many process applications involving aqueous media. With the ability to program parameters, such as step time, spin speed, acceleration and deceleration, dispense arm position, and swivel movement, the system allows for an optimized process flow resulting in reproducible and stable process results. Equipped with SUSS MicroTec's sophisticated dispensing technologies, the AD12 efficiently supports development and cleaning.

#### SOPHISTICATED DISPENSE TECHNOLOGIES

The AD12 offers a broad range of dispense technologies for different process needs. A wide range of processes can be run:

from a simple puddle or spray development to lift-off that requires, besides puddle dispense for soaking and final rinse, a high pressure dispense to lift off the resist and the metal. All of the abovementioned dispense technologies can be configured at the dispense arm of the AD12.

#### **AQUEOUS MEDIA SYSTEM**

The AD12 is customized for the special needs of handling aqueous media. All parts coming into contact with process chemicals are made of unsusceptible materials. The drain can be connected to the house drain or to waste canisters.

Media are safely stored in a media storage equipped with exhaust connection and secured by a leakage detector. Flow control systems and pressure regulators manage the media. Optionally, the media temperature can be controlled to secure optimal process results. A recirculation system for the media can be installed to reduce overall media consumption.



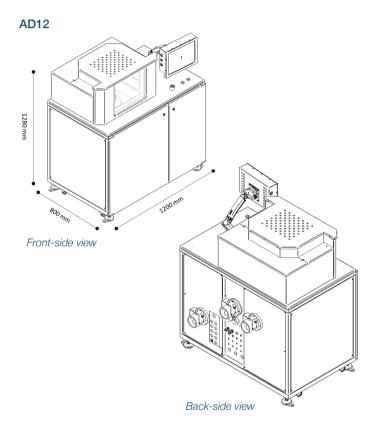
#### TECHNICAL DATA

Chamber made of PVDF

BASE SYSTEM CONFIGURAT	TION
Tool control	Via IPC (Windows 7) with touchscreen
Chamber	Polypropylene
Dispense arm	Position and swivel speed recipe programmable
Number of dispense lines on arm	Max. 6 (dynamic dispense)
Number of dispense nozzles on chamber wall	Max. 3 (static dispense)
Drain	House drain connection or waste canister
Exhaust	Process chamber Media cabinet Electrical cabinet
OPERATING TOOL SOFTWAR	E
User interface	SUSS MMC software
Number of recipes	> 10.000
Number of process steps	Max. 40
Programmable process parameters	+ Step time + Spin speed + Acceleration / deceleration + Active dispense nozzle + Dispense arm position and swivel speed + Loop function
SAFETY SYSTEM	
Door	Safety glass with interlock sensor
Module	Leakage sensor
Exhaust	Differential pressure sensor
REQUIREMENTS AND DIMEN	SIONS
Utilities	Nitrogen Compressed air Vacuum Power
Dimensions	Width 1200 mm Depth 795 mm Height 1278 mm
SUBSTRATES	
Wafer size	2" up to 300 mm
Substrates	2"x2" up to 230mmx230mm
Tape frames	For wafers up to 300 mm
Pieces	Customized
DISPENSE TECHNOLOGIES /	NOZZLES
Puddle	
Fan spray	
Binary	
Programmable high-pressure	
Megasonic transducer	
Back-side rinse	
ADDITIONAL TOOL OPTIONS	
Multiple chucks	
Temperature control for media	
Switchable drain	
Waste canister and tray	
Media storage	
Seismic protection	

#### **EASY AND SAFE OPERATION**

The AD12 is easy to operate and maintain. Process parameters and media data can be recalled at the push of a button. Programmable recipes accelerate workflow and facilitate repeatability. All parts are easily accessible for convenient operation and maintenance of the tool. Moreover, the tool was designed with a primary focus on operator safety. A sealed process chamber with an automatic safety glass door ensures an enclosed process environment and facilitates monitoring of the process. Interlock sensors guarantee the safe operation of the tool.



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