PRODUCT NOTE



WCT-120PL — Wafer Lifetime Measurement with Photoluminescence Detector



The WCT-120PL is an affordable, tabletop silicon lifetime and wafer metrology system.

Measure the calibrated carrier-recombination lifetime of a silicon wafer using both the standard method and the photoluminescence method.

Product Overview

The WCT-120PL wafer lifetime measurement tool showcases the same unique measurement and analysis techniques as the WCT-120 with the added capability of a photoluminescence (PL) detector to measure the PL lifetime and doping of the sample under test. Both the Quasi-Steady-State -Photoconductance (QSSPC) lifetime measurement method and the Transient Photoconductance Decay (PCD) lifetime measurement method are complemented with a calibrated PL lifetime measurement. The tool can also easily be used as a standard WCT-120.





WCT -120PL System Capabilities

Primary application: Step-by-step monitoring and optimization of a fabrication process using the QSSPC or Transient lifetime measurement alongside a PL measurement

Other applications:

- Monitoring initial material quality
- Detecting heavy metal contamination during wafer processing
- Evaluating surface passivation and emitter dopant diffusion
- Evaluating process-induced shunting using the implied-Voc measurement
- Iteratively calculate all substrate doping from QSSPL and QSSPC data

Key Features

- Single-click identification of key characteristics of silicon wafers, including sheet resistance, lifetime, trap density, emitter saturation current density, and implied voltage
- Calibrated carrier-lifetime versus injection level results and calibrated PL lifetime versus injection level results

WCT-120PL Specifications

Instrument Specifications

Available measurements

- Lifetime
- Resistivity
- Emitter saturation current density
- Trap density
- Implied Voc
- PL lifetime
- PL doping

Lifetime measurement range

• 100 ns to greater than 10 ms

Measurement (analysis) modes

- QSSPC, transient, and generalized lifetime
 analysis
- **Resistivity measurement range**
- 3-600 (undoped) Ohms/sq.

Available light bias range

• 0-50 suns

Typical calibrated injection range

• 10¹¹-10¹⁷ cm⁻³

Available spectrum

- White-light and IR illumination
- PL optimized spectrum

Sensor area

40-mm diameter

Sample size, standard configuration

Standard diameter: 40–210 mm

Wafer thickness range

- 10–2000 µm (calibrated)
- · Other thicknesses may be measured

Warranty

- One-year limited warranty on all parts and software
- Service agreement also available

Standards

Complies with SEMI Standard PV-13



Facility Requirements

Ambient operating temperature

• 20°C-25°C

Power requirements

- WCT-120: 40 W
- Computer with monitor: 200 W
- Light source: 60 W

Dimensions

• 22.5 cm W x 28 cm D x 57 cm H

Universal mains voltage

100–240 VAC 50/60 Hz

Special facilities requirements None

WCT-120PL System Components

- WCT-120PL instrument, signal processing unit, signal cables
- Programmable flashlamp with bandpass filter
- Windows PC with installed, configured software and monitor
- Sinton Instruments data acquisition and analysis software package
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- High-resolution, high-speed data acquisition with simultaneous sampling and commonmode rejection
- PL signal amplifier
- Dark box to prevent the effects of room light on the PL measurement

Purchasing Information

For a quote, please contact: quotes@sintoninstruments.com

Quotes are valid for 60 days. Please allow 10 weeks for delivery from date of purchase order.

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