

Instrument Catalogue

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# Plasma Measurement to Understand and Control the Future

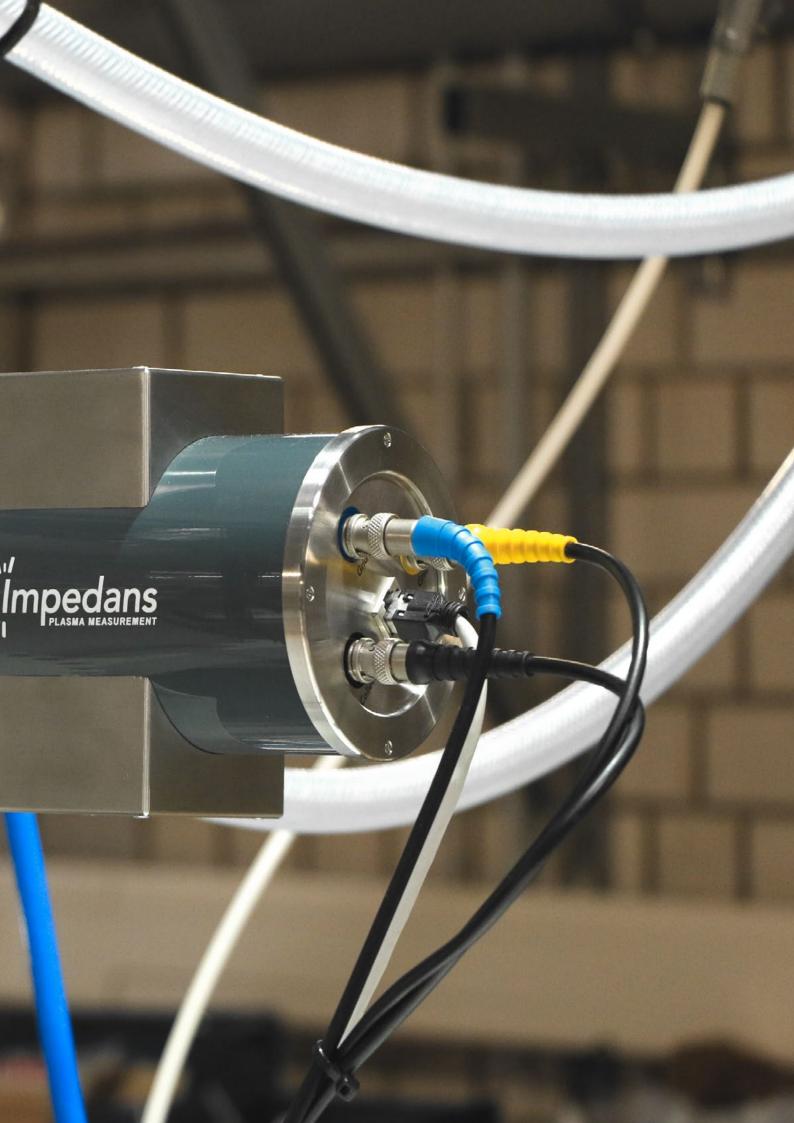
Impedans focus exclusively on innovative plasma measurement systems incorporating unique expertise built up over many years of experience. We believe the right plasma measurement products and ongoing expertise will enable our customers to better understand and control their processes. The knowledge and understanding gained by our customers help them create value and stay ahead of the competition.

# Substrate Level Measurement

Interactions of ions at a substrate play a major role in plasma processing. The ability to quantify the flux and energy of ions impacting a surface is crucial for optimising process conditions.

#### Deposition Rate lon Species (Mass) Negative Ions Ion Angular Distribution Bias Voltage Ion Neutral Ion Flux Ion Energy Temperature Semion $\checkmark$ Vertex $\checkmark$ $\checkmark$ $\checkmark$ $\checkmark$ $\checkmark$ Quantum

## System Comparison Chart



# Semion System

Ion Energy, Ion Flux and Uniformity Analysis



#### Measures

- Ion energy distribution
- Ion flux
- Postive / negative ions
- Average Ion Energy
- Electrode Voltage (Vdc)
- Uniformity\*

#### Functionality

- Time averaged
- Time resolved
- Time trend

#### Features

- Up to 13 measurement points
- Simultaneous measurement
- Replaceable button
  probe sensors
- Custom sensor holder-plates
- Energy levels up to 2500eV
- User friendly software
- Fully automated system
- Easy to setup and use
- Most advanced ion energy and ion flux measurement system in the world

#### The Semion Multi Sensor Retarding Field Energy Analyser measures the uniformity of ion energies hitting a surface using an array of integrated sensors.

This cutting edge retarding field energy analyser also measures the uniformity of ion flux, negative ions, temperature, and bias voltage at any position inside a plasma chamber.

The Semion Multi Sensor is primarily used for researching wafer uniformity in industrial plasma applications but it also finds applications in research. Users in the semiconductor community are concerned with the uniformity of ion interactions with the substrate and this holds true for coatings, etching, plasma sputtering, PECVD and ion beam applications.

With ever increasing substrate sizes plasma uniformity becomes increasingly critical. The Semion Multi Sensor saves time and confirms plasma uniformity models, which is essential in the development of larger plasma tools.

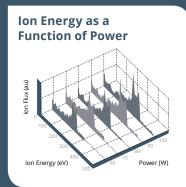
Note: Time resolved functionality can be used when the plasma is pulsed and the Semion Sensor is mounted on a grounded or floating electrode.

Measuring Parameters	
lon Energy	2000 - V <sub>dc</sub> (eV)
lon Current	1 mA DC max
Ion Flux Range*	
Low	0.001 to 3 (A m <sup>2</sup> )
Standard	0.01 to 50 (A m <sup>2</sup> )
High	0.1 to 700 (A m <sup>2</sup> )
Low	0.01 - 20mA/cm <sup>2</sup>
IEDF Resolution	± 1eV nominal
*Choice dependent on plasma dens	sity
Probe Bias Conditions	
Max RF Bias Voltage	1kV pk-to-pk
Max DC Bias Voltage	-1940 V
Bias Frequency Range (Time Averaged Measurements)	100kHz to 80MHz
Bias Frequency Range (Time Resolved Measurements)	0Hz to 100kHz
Time Resolution	100 µs
	nted on grounded or floating electrode
RFEA Probe	
Number of Sensors	1 - 13
Probe Configuration	4-grid
Button Probe Diameter	33mm
Holder Diameter	50mm to 450mm, custom available on request
Holder Thickness	5mm
Max Operating Temperature	200°C
Mounting	RFEA probe holder mounted on electrode
Probe Enclosure and Holder Material	Aluminium, anodized aluminium, stainless
RFEA Probe Cable Length	steel and ceramic ( $Al_2O_3$ ) on request 650mm standard (custom available)
Feed-Through Assembly	
Flange Type	CF40 (custom available)
Control Unit Electronics	
Grid Voltage Range	-2 kV to 2kV
Current Range	-1mA to +1 mA
Connectivity	
SYNC Signal Specification	TTL (0 V to 5 V Square Wave)
Application Software	
Operating System	Windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows 7 / Windows 8 / Windows 10
<b>Operating Parameters</b>	
Pressure (Pascal   Torr)	<0.1 to 40Pa   0 to 300 mTorr*
Density Ranges (Ar at 3 eV)	
Low	1.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup> to 7.4 x 10 <sup>15</sup>
Standard	$2.0 \times 10^{13}$ to $1.2 \times 10^{17}$
High	2.7 x 10 <sup>14</sup> to 1.6 x 10 <sup>18</sup>
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## **Sensor Holders**

The Semion sensor holder is available in various standard sizes of 50mm, 70mm, 100mm, 150mm, 200mm, 300mm, 450mm with custom shapes also available. It sits on a grounded or biased electrode and is used to hold the replaceable button probe sensors. The holder is available in a number of materials including aluminium, anodised aluminium and stainless steel with custom materials available.





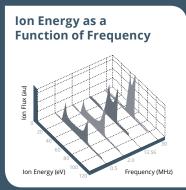
lon Energy Distributions measured at at various power levels

# Ion Energy as a Function of Chemistry

#### Ion Energy Distrubtions Measured for different Helium Concentrations

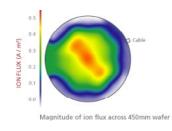
Ion Energy (eV)

Power (W)



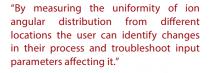
lon energy distribution measured at different RF Bias Frequencies

## Contour Map



Countour Map of the lon Energy Uniformity Across the Substrate

# Vertex System Ion Energy Distribution



ERTEX | MULTI SENSOR

#### Measures

- Ion energy
- Ion flux
- Negative ions
- Bias voltage

#### **Functionality**

- Time averaged
- Time trend

#### Features

- Vertex advanced electronics unit
- Analytical software suite
- Range of sensor holder arrays
- Replaceable button probe sensors
- Quick start and advanced user modes

# The Vertex Multi Sensor measures the ion energy distrubtion as a function of aspect ratio from multiple locations across a substrate holder.

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The Vertex multi Sensor is an enhanced RFEA system with spatial profiling capability as well as variable aspect ratio functionality. It is used in applications where the anisotrophy, of charged particles is crucial for feature profiling. Vertex measurements helps users confirm models and develop new processes.

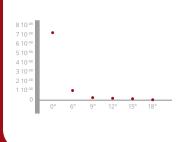
The Vertex System is composed of a 19" rack mountable electronics unit, a vacuum feed-through, and a sensor holder which can be placed anywhere inside a plasma or beam chamber. It can even be mounted on an RF or DC powered electrode. The Electronics unit connects to a laptop or a PC| and uses the Vertex intelligent software suite.

The Vertex Multi Sensor analyses the change in plasma input parameters or beam source location in real time, helping users to find the optimum uniformity of ion energy distributino as a function of aspect ratio for their application. The system also takes useful measurements such as DC bias voltage and the energy and flux of negative ions.

The Vertex can be used to infer critical process information such as the level of side wall etch, beam divevergence and ion scattering. This can assist with chamber-tochamber matching, fault detection and new processes design. For the first time, direct measurement of the energy distribution through high aspect ratio features is available with the Vertex System, helping to reduce process development time.

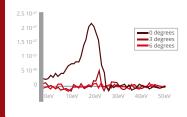
Measuring Parameters	
Aspect Ratio Range	0.5 to 20
Aspect Ratio Resolution	0.5
Ion Energy Range	2000 eV - Vdc
lon Current	1 mA DC max
Ion Flux Ranges*	
Low	0.001 to 3 (A m <sup>-2</sup> )
Standard	0.01 to 50 (A m <sup>-2</sup> )
High	0.1 to 700 (A m <sup>-2</sup> )
IEDF Resolution	± 1eV nominal
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Probe Bias Conditions	·)
Max RF Bias Voltage	1kV pk-to-pk
Max DC Bias Voltage	-1940 V
Bias Frequency Range (Time	
Averaged Measurements) Bias Frequency Range (Time	100kHz to 80MHz
Resolved Measurements)	0Hz to 100kHz
Time Resolution	100 µs
*For pulsed plasma with Vertex n or floating electrode in ion energy	nounted on a grounded y mode only
RFEA Probe	
Number of Sensors	1 to 13
Probe Configuration	4-grid
Button Probe Diameter	33mm
Holder Diameter	150mm, 200mm, 300mm, 450mm and custom shapes
Holder Thickness	5mm
Max Operating Temperature	200°C
Mounting	RFEA probe holder mounted on electrode
Probe Enclosure and Holder Material	Aluminium, anodized aluminium, stainless steel and Al2O3
RFEA Probe Cable Length	650mm standard (custom available)
Feed-Through Assembly	
Flange Type	CF40 (custom available)
U- 71	
Control Unit Electronics	
Grid Voltage Range	-2kV to +2 kV
Current Range	100 pA to 2.4 mA
Connectivity	USB 2.0
Application Software	
Operating System	Windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows 7
operating system	/ Windows 8 / Windows 10
Operating Parameters	
Pressure (Pascal)	0 to 40Pa
Pressure (Torr)	0 to 300mTorr
Density Ranges (for Ar at 3 eV)	Low: 1.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup> to 7.4 x 10 <sup>15</sup>   Std: 2.0 x 10 <sup>13</sup> to 1.2 x 10 <sup>17</sup>   High: 2.7 x 10 <sup>14</sup> to 1.6 x 10 <sup>18</sup> (m <sup>-3</sup> )
Gas Reactivity	Inert to highly reactive
*Dependent on ion mean free pa	• •

#### Ion Angle Distribution



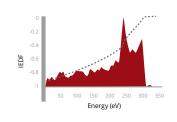
The angle of ions arriving at a range of energies can be plotted as a function of elevation angle

#### lon Angle and Energy Distribution



The complete ion energy distribution as a function of elevation angle in a parallel plate discharge

#### Ion Energy Distribution Function & Total Current



## The ion energy distribution function and total current in a single location



Contour map showing parameters as a function of position

# Quantum System Ion Neutral Deposition Rate Monitor



#### Measures

- Ion neutral fraction
- Deposition rate
- Ion energy
- Ion flux
- Bias voltage

#### **Functionality**

- Time averaged
- Time trend

#### Features

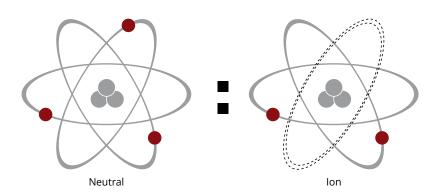
- Quantum electronics unit
- Advanced analytical software suite
- Replaceable button probe sensors
- Quick start and advanced user modes

The Quantum Multi Sensor is an energy resolving gridded quartz crystal microbalance, used to measure the ion neutral fraction hitting a surface inside a plasma reactor.

This cutting edge instrument also measures the deposition rate, ion energy, ion flux and bias voltage.

The Quantum System is used in sectors across industry and research with applications in plasma deposition, coatings, plasma sputtering, PECVD, etching and beam.

The Quantum System is perfect for users researching plasma recipes, ionization, plasma processes, tool development and fundamental plasma research.



#### **Measuring Parameters**

lon Energy Range	
lon Current	
lon Flux	
IEDF Resolution	

2000eV - Vdc 2mA DC max Std: 0.01 - 50 (A/m<sup>2</sup>) ± 1eV nominal

#### **Crystal Monitor**

Frequency Range	3
Frequency Resolution	1
Mass Resolution (at crystal)	1
Mass Resolution (at sensor surface)	3
Film Thickness Resolution (Copper)	4
Measurement Update Rate	1

3.5MHz to 6.1MHz Ηz 12.3ng/cm<sup>2</sup> 372.73ng/cm<sup>2</sup> 1Å

#### 10 measurements / second

#### **RFEA Probe**

Probe Configuration	4-grid plus Quartz crystal
Button Probe Diameter	33mm
Holder Diameter	100mm (4"), 300mm (12") as standard
Holder Thickness	5mm
Max Operating Temperature	200°C
Max RF Bias Voltage	1kV pk-to-pk
Max DC Bias Voltage	-1940 V
RF Bias Frequency Range	400kHz to 80MHz
Mounting	RFEA probe holder mounted on electrode
Probe Enclosure and Holder Material	Aluminium, anodized aluminium, stainless steel* and (Al2O3)*
RFEA Probe Cable Length	650mm standard (custom available)

#### \*On request

Flange Type

**Feed-Through Assembly** 

CF40 (custom available)

#### **Control Unit Electronics**

Grid Voltage Range	-2kV to +2 kV
Current Range	100pA to 2.4mA
Connectivity	USB 2.0

#### **Application Software**

**Operating System** 

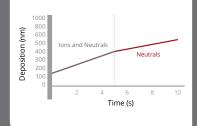
Windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows 7 / Windows 8 / Windows 10

#### **Operating Parameters**

Pressure (Pascal) Pressure (Torr) Density Gas Reactivity

0 to 40Pa 0 to 300mTorr 10<sup>12</sup> to 10<sup>18</sup> m<sup>-3</sup> Inert to highly reactive

#### **Deposition as a Function of Time showing Flux Fraction**

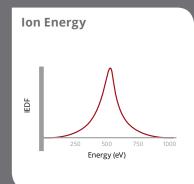


Total deposition rate versus neutral deposition rate in a plasma deposition chamber

## **Deposition as a Function** of Average Ion Energy Deposition (nm) lons 40 30

Average Ion Energy (eV)

Deposition as a function of increasing average ion energy hitting a substrate in a plasma deposition chamber



The ion energy distribution function in a single location

# Bulk Plasma Measurement

The parameters that make up the bulk of the plasma such as plasma potential, plasma density, ion density, electron energy and electron temperature can be measured giving greater understanding of the bulk plasma.



# Langmuir Probe Plasma Volume Characterisation

"The Langmuir Probe has ultra fast repeatable measurements and includes a Single and Double Langmuir Probe as standard."

#### Measures

- Floating potential (Single only)
- Plasma potential (Single only)
- Plasma density
- Ion current density
- Electron energy distribution function (Single Only)

#### Functionality

- Time averaged
- Time resolved
- Time trend

#### **Features**

- Langmuir probe automated electronics unit
- Advanced analytical software suite
- Replaceable probe head
- Quick start and advanced user modes
- Integrated air cooling
- External trigger
- DC compensation
- RF compensation

The Langmuir Probe is one of the most common and widely used plasma diagnostics and characterisation instruments to measure parameters in the bulk of the plasma. The Langmuir Probe measures plasma parameters such as floating potential, plasma potential, plasma density, ion current density, electron energy distribution function and electron temperature.

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The Langmuir Probe has the most advanced technology on the market and analyses ion and electron trajectories to obtain accurate measurements of the real plasma parameters in a wide range of plasma applications. The Langmuir Probe is the fastest and most reliable Langmuir probe in the world (time resolution 12.5ns). In addition to speed and reliability, the Langmuir Probe provides the most advanced and trusted, fully automated data analysis in real time.

The Impedans Langmuir Probe system comes complete with interchangeable single and double probe tips (at no extra cost) which can be used with the same electronics unit. This allows users to conduct experiments across different reactors and allows measurements in reactors which have a poor ground return.

The Langmuir Probe is used to establish plasma process repeatability. It helps the user to understand plasma changes and the impact on surface treatment. The Langmuir Probe is an essential plasma process diagnostic to understand the correlation between plasma inputs and the plasma state. The Langmuir Probe reduces process and tool development time, as well as the time to market for new plasma products. Pulsed plasmas are used to tailor the electron or ion energy and the Langmuir Probe is an integral part of pulsed process development.

#### **Measuring Parameters**

Floating Potential Plasma Potential Plasma Density Ion Current Density Electron Temperature Electron Energy Distribution Function -145V to 145V -100V to 145V 10<sup>6</sup> to 3x10<sup>13</sup>cm<sup>-3</sup> 1μA/cm<sup>2</sup> to 300mA/cm<sup>2</sup> 0.1 to 15 eV 0 to 100eV

#### **Langmuir Probe Specifications**

Plasma Power Source RF Plasma Probe Length Probe Diameter Probe Tip Length Probe Tip Diameter Probe Tip Material Probe Customisation Maximum Operating Temperature DC, RF, microwave, continuous, pulsed plasma Broadband Probe 2MHz to 100MHz 300mm to 1400mm (custom available) 6.5mm (custom available) 10mm (custom available) 0.4mm (custom available) W, Ta, Ni, Pt. (custom available) 90°, 45° bend (custom available) 230°C (custom up to 1200°C)

#### **Linear Drive**

Step Resolution Control Mechanism Drive Length

#### **Electronics Control Unit**

Probe Voltage Scan Range	-150V to +150V
Current Range	15nA to 150mA or 1.5µA to 1A for high current densities
Communication	USB 2.0
Sampling Rate	80 MSPS (V,I)
Data Acquisition Resolution	4.5mV, 4.5nA
Time Resolved Step Resolution	12.5nS
External Trigger TTL Compatible	2 Hz to 500 MHz

#### **Operating Parameters**

Pressure (Pascal)	0 to 1,000Pa
Pressure (Torr)   Single Probe	0 to 10Torr
Pressure (Torr)   Double Probe	0 to 760Torr
Gas Temperature	20° to 1000°
Density	10 <sup>4</sup> cm <sup>-3</sup> to 10 <sup>14</sup> cm <sup>-3</sup>
Gas Reactivity	Inert to highly reactive
Power Frequency	DC (0kHz) • pDC (0 to 350kHz) • MF (0 to 1MHz) • RF (1MHz to 100MHz) • Microwave (1GHz to 3 GHz)

0.025mm

Automated through software

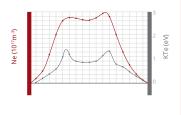
300mm, 450mm, 600mm or custom

#### **Application Software**

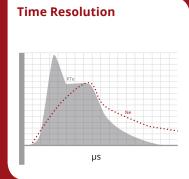
**Operating System** 

Windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows 7 / Windows 8 / Windows 10

#### **Spatial Resolution**



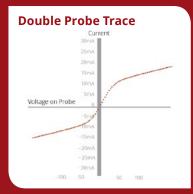
Spatial distribution of electron density and energy in a 150mm chamber



#### The electron energy and density in a micro-second pulse

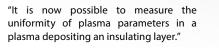
# Single Probe Trace

The current as a function of probe voltage in a plasma. The first derivative peaks at the plasma potential. All parameters are calculated automatically.



The current as a function of probe voltage in a plasma. All parameters are calculated automatically.

# Plato Probe Deposition Tolerant Plasma Measurement System



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#### Measures

- Plasma density
- Ion current density
- Electron temperature

#### **Functionality**

- Time averaged
- Time resolved
- Time trend

#### Features

- Fully automated electronics and software
- Reactive process
  compatible probe tips
- External trigger
- DC compensation
- RF compensation

The Plato Probe is planar Langmuir Probe designed to work in deposition plasmas when an insulating film is deposited on the probe surface. This deposition tolerant Langmuir probe can remain inside a plasma reactor while deposition processes are in progress.

PLATO | SPATIAL PROBE

The Plato Probe measures plasma parameters such as plasma density, ion current density and electron temperature in plasmas with high deposition rates, like plasma enhanced chemical vapour deposition (PECVD).

The Plato Probe has the most advanced patented technology on the market using ultra-fast biasing to penetrate the deposited film to obtain accurate measurements of the real plasma parameters in a wide range of plasma applications.

For many years it has been difficult to measure the parameters of plasma in high deposition environments. Impedans have developed a groundbreaking technology which measures the parameters of plasma, even when a thick insulating layer is deposited on the probe surface.

#### **Measuring Parameters**

Plasma Density Ion Current Density Electron Temperature 1x10<sup>6</sup> to 3x10<sup>13</sup>cm<sup>-3</sup> 1μA/cm<sup>2</sup> to 300mA/cm<sup>2</sup> 0.1 to 15 eV

#### **Plato Probe Specifications**

Plasma Power Source	DC, RF, microwave, continuous, pulsed plasma
RF Plasma	13.56 MHz to 100 MHz
Probe Length	300mm to 1400mm (custom available)
Probe Diameter	9.5mm
Probe Tip Diameter	7mm
Probe Customisation	On request
Maximum Operating Temperature	230°C

0.025mm

Automated through software

300mm, 450mm, 600mm or custom

#### **Linear Drive**

Step Resolution	
Control Mechanism	
Drive Length	

#### **Electronics Control Unit**

Probe Voltage Scan Range	Floating potential ±30V
Current Range	100nA to 20mA
Communication	USB 2.0
Sampling Rate	80 MSPS (V,I)
Data Acquisition Resolution	4.5mV, 4.5nA
Time Resolved Step Resolution	1µS to 1mS
External Trigger TTL Compatible	10Hz to 50KHz

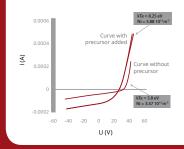
#### **Application Software**

**Operating System** 

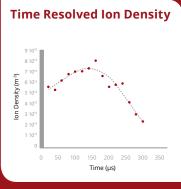
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Operating Parameters	
Pressure (Pascal)	<0.1 to 1,000Pa
Pressure (Torr)	< 1 mTorr to 10 Torr
Density	10 <sup>6</sup> cm <sup>-3</sup> to 10 <sup>14</sup> cm <sup>-3</sup>
Gas Reactivity	Inert to highly reactive
Power Frequency	DC (0 to 50kHz) • RF (2MHz to 100MHz) • UHF (100MHz to 1GHz) • Microwave (1GHz to 3 GHz)

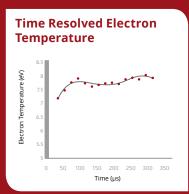
#### Plato Probe Measurements



Current and voltage characteristic with and without depositing precursor



Time resolved ion density in a pulsed deposition plasma

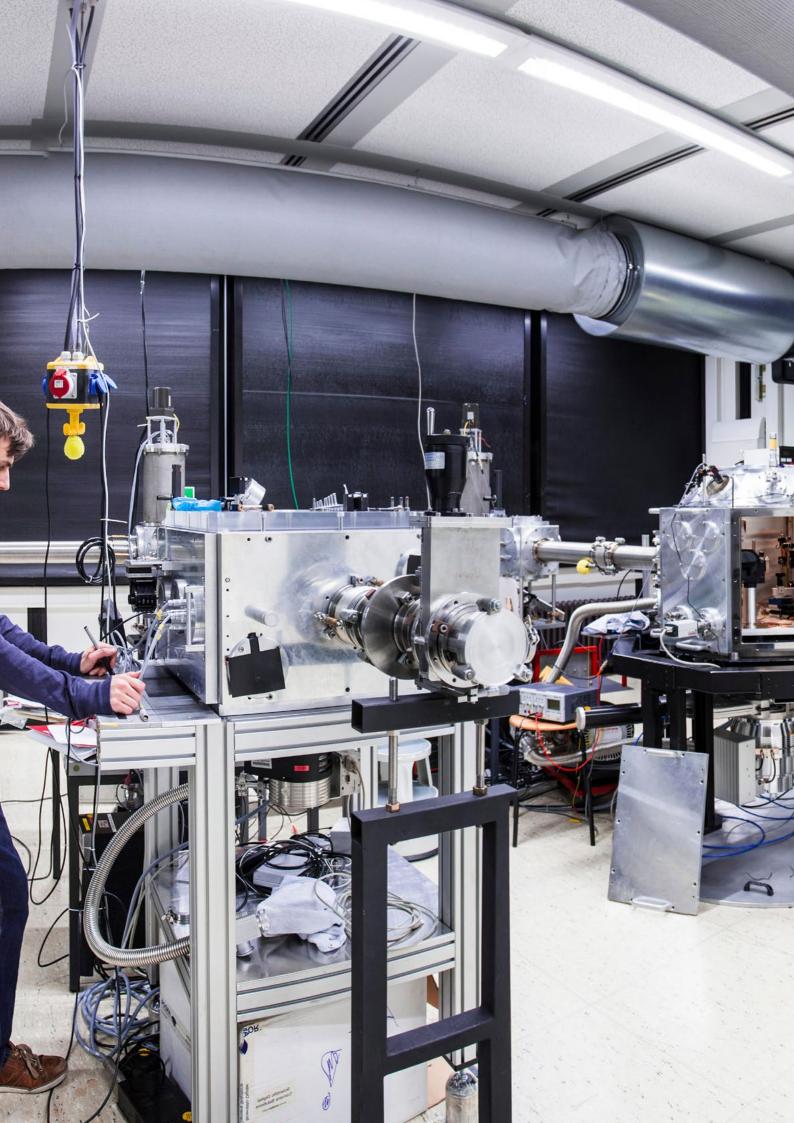


*Time resolved electron temperature in a pulsed deposition plasma* 

# Power Delivery Plasma Monitoring & Fault Detection

Slight changes in power, as a plasma input parameter, can affect the quality of a substrate. Monitoring the voltage, current, phase and harmonic information can result in better process stability.





# OCTIV Poly VI Probe

Multi Frequency In-Line RF Voltage, Current, Phase, Impedance & Harmonic Measurement System



" The Octiv Poly system allows users to measure a number of fundamental frequencies and extract all of the harmonic information of each parameter measured simultaneously."

#### Measures

- Voltage
- Current
- Phase
- Harmonics
- Impedance

#### Functionality

- Time averaged
- Time resolved
- Time trend
- Smith chart

#### Features

- Interchangeable connectors
- · Compact probe design
- Frequency agile software
- API for extending software
- USB 2.0 communications interface as standard

The Octiv Poly VI Probe is used to monitor the radio-frequency (RF) characteristics of your plasma processing equipment. Applications include fault detection and classification, chamber-to-chamber matching and process fingerprinting. Successful implementation helps to improve production yield, increase product throughput and reduce product scrappage.

The RF characteristics of the process can be correlated to process performance i.e. reference baselines can be established and fault signatures can be identified. The sensor monitors a wide range of RF parameters, suitable for use in multivariate analyse is techniques which provide extremely sensitive fault detection and classification algorithms. It enables indirect measurement of plasma parameters, helping you to understand and control the process. The Octiv Poly helps to define exact process windows and determine the health of power subsystems and process runto-run stability.

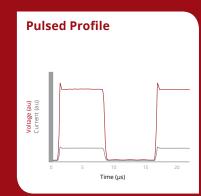
For pulsed RF applications it has 1  $\mu$ s time resolution for pulse profiling. The Octiv Poly VI Probe is ideal for accurately monitoring dual frequency and triple frequency plasma systems.

#### Measuring Parameters (Range)w

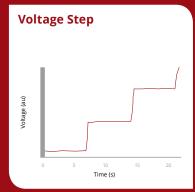
Measuring Parameters (Range	e)w
Voltage Range	Voltage 20 – 3000 Vrms
Current Range	0.1 – 20 Arms
Phase Range	± 180°
Harmonic (Voltage, Current and Phase)	Up to 15 harmonics per frequency
Frequency Range	350 kHz - 300 MHz
Fundamental Frequencies	5 simultaneous
Power Real, Forward and Reflected (Watt)	200 mW to 12 kW (23 dBm to 70.8 dBm)*
Power Real, Forward and Reflected (dBm)	25 dBm to 70 dBm
Impedance	1 to 500 Ω
Pulse Parameters (Time)	
Voltage Time	1 µs
Current Time	1 µs
Phase Time	1 µs
Frequency Time	1 μs
Impedance Time	1 µs
Power Real, Forward and Reflected (Watt) Time	1 µs
Power Real, Forward and Reflected (dBm) Time	1µs
Measuring Parameters (Accur	acy)
Voltage Accuracy	± 1%
Phase Accuracy	± 1°
Harmonic (Voltage, Current and Phase) Accuracy	± 5%
Frequency Accuracy	± 10 kHz
Impedance	± 1%
Power Real, Forward and Reflected (Watt/dBm)*	± 1%
Measuring Parameters (Resolution	
Voltage Resolution	0.25 V
Phase Resolution	0.01°
Harmonic (Voltage, Current and Phase) Resolution	As above
Frequency Resolution	1 kHz
Impedance Resolution	± 1%
Power Real, Forward and Reflected (Watt/dBm) Resolution	± 1%
Sensor Specifications	
Number of fundamentals	(F0) Maximum of 5 simultaneously
RF Power	Max 12.5 kW (limited by connector)
Operating Temperature	0 to +40° C (32 to 104° F)
Storage Temperature	-20 to +80° C (-4 to +176° F)
Uniformity	2% Maximum
Connectors	N, HN. 7/16's, LC (Custom available on request)
Sensor Impedance	50Ω
Certification	CE mark
Calibration Cycle	12 Months
Application Software	
Operating System	Windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows

Operating System

windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows 7 / Windows 8 / Windows 10



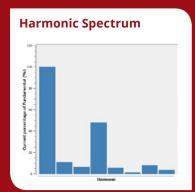
Time resolved pulsed RF Profile



RF Voltage Ramp Versus Time

Smith Chart

Smith Chart Impedance Matching



Single RF Frequency Harmonic Spectrum

# Octiv Suite

Multi-Frequency RF System with Plasma Diagnostic and Complex Waveform Analysis



"The Octiv Suite RF diagnostic system allows users to measure a number of fundamental frequencies and extract all the harmonic information of each parameter, measured simultaneously while reconstructing multiple waveforms."

#### Measures

- Voltage
- Current
- Phase
- Harmonics
- Impedance
- Ion flux
- Waveform reconstruction

#### Functionality

- Time averaged
- Time resolved
- Time trend
- Smith chart

#### Features

- Interchangeable connectors
- Compact probe design
- Frequency agile software
- API for extending software
- USB 2.0 as standard

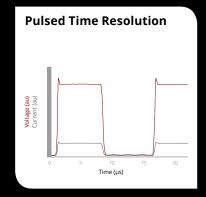
The Octiv Suite RF diagnostic is an in-line RF voltage, current, phase, harmonics and plasma diagnostic system. It can measure all the parameters of RF power, break them down to their individual components and reconstruct the waveforms of multiple fundamental frequencies simultaneously.

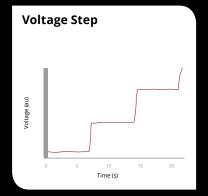
This cutting edge system can also measure plasma parameters such as ion flux by using the RF electrode as a sensor. The Octiv Suite is truly in a class of its own when it comes to analysing power delivery into a plasma reactor. The Octiv Suite measures voltage, current, phase, impedance and harmonics and the measurements can be viewed from a PC or direct on the optional meter unit.

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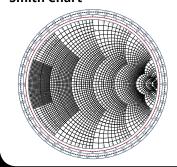
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Measuring Parameters (F	Resolution)
Voltage Resolution	0.25V
Current Resolution	10mA
Phase Resolution	0.01°
Harmonic (Voltage, Current and Phase) Resolution	As above
Frequency Resolution	1kHz
Impedance Resolution	± 1%
Power Real, Forward and Reflected (Watt) Resolution	± 1%
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Sensor Specifications	
Number of fundamentals (F	(F0) Maximum of 5 simultaneously
RF Power Max 12.5 kW	Max 12.5kW (limited by connector)
Operating Temperature	0 to +40° C (32 to 104° F)
Storage Temperature	-20 to +80° C (-4 to +176° F)
Uniformity	2% Maximum
Harmonic Content	Measured (No Limit within Range)
Connectors	All Standard Connectors Available
Sensor Impedance	50 Ω
Certification	CE mark
Calibration Cycle	12 Months
<b>Operating Parameters</b>	

Impedance	0Ω to 5,000Ω
Pulsed Repetition Frequency	10Hz to 100KHz
Voltage	20V to 3,000V
Current	0.1A to 100A
Phase	±90°, ±180°
Power Frequency	MF (350kHz to 1MHz) • RF (1MHz to 100MHz)

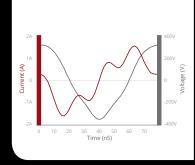


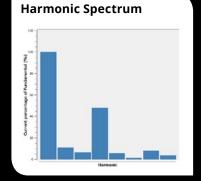


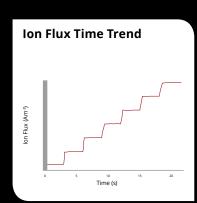
Smith Chart



Waveform Reconstruction







# Octiv Mono RF Wattmeter

"The Octiv Mono RF power meter and RF power sensor can measure up to five different fundamental frequencies in a single sensor. This reduces the need for multiple sensors in a laboratory environment."



#### Measures

- Real power
- Forward power
- Reflected power
- Impedance

#### Functionality

- Time averaged
- Time resolved
- Time trend
- Smith chart

#### Features

- Octiv VI meter display unit
- Compact probe design
- Frequency agile software
- Application Programming Interface (API) for extending software
- USB 2.0 communications interface as standard with RS-232 and Ethernet available on request

The Octiv Mono is an in-line RF power meter and RF power sensor measurement system. It measures a single fundamental frequency and has an accuracy rating of 1% and a time resolution of 1µs. Each system has a drop down menu with a choice of 5 fundamental frequencies. It measures real power, forward power, reflected power, impedance and displays through a meter unit.

The Octiv Mono is a precision RF power sensor used in a large number of laboratory applications. The Octiv Mono operates to 1% true accuracy, and is immune to harmonics. It measures true power into any load, including a non-50 $\Omega$  cable or load, making it the most trusted power sensor for applications such as semiconductor manufacturing.

The Octiv Mono is calibrated to five fundamental frequencies: 2MHz | 13.56MHz | 27.12MHz | 40.68MHz | 60MHz. Each frequency can be selected via a drop down menu and the sensor has a power range from 0 to 12 kW.

The Octiv Mono RF power meter and RF power sensor helps solve issues such as poor production yields, tool matching, fault detection and classification. It helps to define exact process windows and determines the health of power subsystems. The Octiv Mono helps determine 'process run to run' stability. It gives you the confidence to trust the accuracy of the most complex process input, RF power delivery.

#### **Measuring Parameters**

Power Real (Watt) Power Forward (Watt) Power Reflected (Watt) Power Real (dBm) Power Forward (dBm) Power Reflected (dBm) Impedance 200 mW to 12 KW 200 mW to 12 KW 25 dBm to 70 dBm 25 dBm to 70 dBm 25 dBm to 70 dBm 1 to 500 Ω

#### Sensor Performance

Accuracy Number of Frequencies Frequency Range Uniformity Speed Maximum Power Harmonic Interference Directivity Sensor Impedance ± 1% (at frequencies and power defined) 5 interchangeable 350 kHz to 100 MHz 2% Maximum 10 Readings per Second 12 kW No Limit (Within Power Range) 38 dB 50 Ω

#### Sensor Specifications

Connectors Power Requirements Dimensions Weight Operating Temperature Storage Temperature Humidity Altitude Certification Calibration Cycle

#### All Standard Connectors Available USB or From Display Unit 70 mm x 70 mm x 55 mm 400 g 0°C to 35°C -40°C to 80°C 95% Max (non-condensing) 3000 m CE mark 12 Months

## **Operating Parameters**

Impedance dBm Power Power Frequency

#### 50 Ω

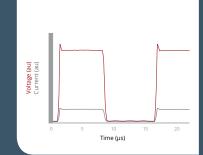
20 dBm to 70 dBm 10 W to 10 kW MF (350 kHz to 1 MHz) • RF (1 MHz to 100 MHz)

#### **Application Software**

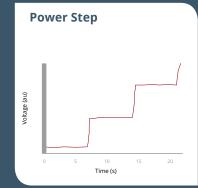
**Operating System** 

Windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows 7 / Windows 8 / Windows 10

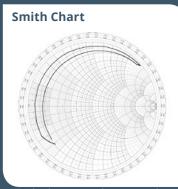
#### **Pulse Profile**







RF Voltage Ramp Versus Time



Smith Chart Impedance Matching

# INDUSTRIAL | OCTIV **VI Probe Technology**



#### Measures

- Voltage
- Current
- Phase
- Harmonics
- Impedance

#### **Functionality**

- Time averaged
- Pulse profile
- Pulse trend

#### **Features**

- 1 x USB, 1 x serial & 2 x **RJ45 Ethernet ports**
- Can communicate through any TCP/IP network
- API enables communication with device using LabVIEW, C/ C++, Visual Basic (VB\_ and C # through .NET framework

The Octiv VI probe is an advanced and versatile radiofrequency (RF) voltage and current sensor. It can be used in a variety of installation environments and has a wide range of applications. It sees widespread deployment on RF processing equipment used in the semiconductor (and related industries) and in the medical device market.

The industrial Octiv is the first device of its type to address the needs of the industrial customer, in terms of communication standards.

The Octiv is a fully enabled internet network node that paves the way for monitoring and control of automated industrial plasma and/or RF processes in real-time to increase efficiency in ways impossible until now.

#### Measuring Parameters (Range)

Voltage Range
Current Range
Phase Range
Harmonic (Voltage, Current and Phase)
Frequency Range
Fundamental Frequencies
Power Real, Forward and Reflected
Impedance

Voltage 20 – 3000 Vrms 0.1 – 100 Arms ± 180° Up to 15 harmonics per frequency 350 kHz - 100 MHz 5 simultaneous 200 mW to 12 kW (23 dBm to 70.8 dBm)\* N/A

#### \*Connector dependent Pulse Parameters (Time)

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Pulse Repetition Frequenc	y (SYNC)	10 Hz to 100 kHz	
Voltage Time		1 µs	
Current Time		1 µs	
Phase Time		1 µs	
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Frequency Time		1 µs	
Impedance Time		1 µs	
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#### Measuring Parameters (Accuracy)

Voltage Accuracy	± 1%
Current Accuracy	± 1°
Phase Accuracy	± 1°
Harmonic (Voltage, Current and Phase) Accuracy	± 5%
Frequency Accuracy	± 10 kHz
Impedance	± 1%
Power Real, Forward and Reflected (Watt)*	± 1%
*depending on V,I Ø	

0.25 V 10 mA 0.01° As above 1 kHz

#### **Measuring Parameters (Resolution)**

Voltage Resolution	
Current Resolution	
Phase Resolution	
Harmonic (Voltage, Current and Phase) Resolution	
Frequency Resolution	

#### **Sensor Specifications**

Connectors	N, HN. 7/16's, LC (custom available on request)
Number of Fundamentals	(F0) Maximum of 5 simultaneously
RF Power	Max 12 kW (limited by connector)
Power Requirements	USB
Dimensions	70 mm x 70 mm x 55 mm
Operating Temperature	0 to +55° C
Storage Temperature	-20 to +80° C (-4 to +176° F)
Humidity	95% Max (non-condensing)
Uniformity	2% Maximum
Sensor Impedance	50 Ω
Certification	CE mark
Calibration Cycle	12 Months

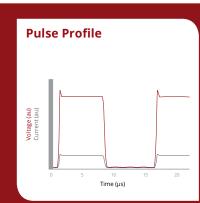
#### **Application Software**

**Operating System** 

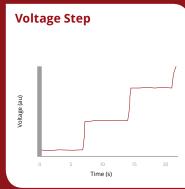
Connectivity

Windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows 7 / Windows 8 / Windows 10 Ethernet Web Service Protocol\*

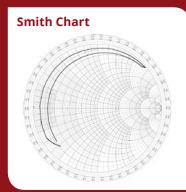
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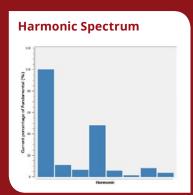




#### RF Voltage Ramp Versus Time



Smith Chart of Impedance Matching Range



Single RF Frequency Harmonic Spectrum

# **ALFVEN** | 100 **RF Event Detector**



#### **Measures**

- RF voltage amplitude
- RF current amplitude
- Pulse Monitoring

#### **Functionality**

- Captures RF events with micro-second resolution RF strike event capture
- RF event classification
- Capturing of events can be user-defined
- Averaged values reported up to 10 times a second
- Up to 5,000 events and 500,000 averaged values can be stored on-board the sensor later.

#### Features

- 50 Ω characteristic impedance
- Designed for pre-match installation
- RF voltage and current event detection with 1 µs time resolution
- Interchangeable connectors
- Compact probe design Network API for software integration

The Alfven | 100 RF Event Detector is designed to monitor short-lived, unexpected events in radio frequency and plasma processes, that can cause product scrappage and significant cost to the manufacturer.

The Alfven | 100 RF Event Detector application runs on our best-in-class VI probe technology platform. It monitors events such as arcs, ignition phenomena and instabilities, in plasma and other RF processes, with 1 µs resolution. It detects events in both the voltage and current signals.

Our intelligent sensing platform is fully web enabled. Use one of the Ethernet ports to connect to a PC to run our proprietary application software. For a fully connected solution, interface with the process tool or the factory host through the Ethernet connection. Industrial protocols such as Ethernet/IP and EtherCAT are supported.

Plasma processes, in semiconductor (and related industries), such as plasma etching, PVD and PECVD are susceptible to events such as arcs, instabilities and ignition phenomena. The Alfven | 100 will detect these events and send real time information to the operator to enable corrective action.

#### Measured Parameters (Range)

Voltage Current

10 V - 1,500 V<sub>rms</sub> 0.1 - 15 A<sub>rms</sub>

#### **Sensor Specifications**

RF Power	Maximum 11.25 kW (Higher possible with custom connectors)
Operating Temperature	0° to +40° C (32° to 104° F)
Storage Temperature	-20° to +80° C (-4° to +176° F)
Connectors	N, HN, 7/16's, LC, (Custom available on request)
Sensor Impedance	50 Ω
Certification	CE mark
Recommended Install	Pre-match 50 $\Omega$ side

#### Input Signal

Voltage	Maximum Voltage 1,500 V <sub>rms</sub>
Current	Maximum 15 A <sub>rms</sub>
Frequency	13.56 MHz
Voltage Accuracy	10%
Current Accuracy	10%

1 µs

V, I

## **Acquisition Speed**

Time Resolution

Transient Sensitivity Voltage

Current

1% or 1 V (use highest) @ 1 µs 1% or 15 mA (use highest) @ 1 µs

Up to 5,000 pts (5 ms)

14 to 276 hours

5,000

#### **Event Capture**

Parameters

Points

Onboard Storage Number of hours average V and I data

Number of Events

#### **Application Software**

**Operating System** 

Windows 2000 / XP / Vista / Windows 7 / Windows 8 / Windows 10

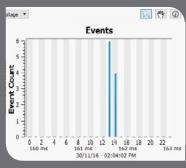
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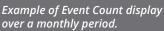
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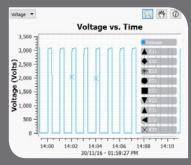
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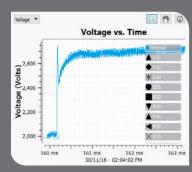
Schematic of the install location of the Alfven | RF 100 Event Detector.





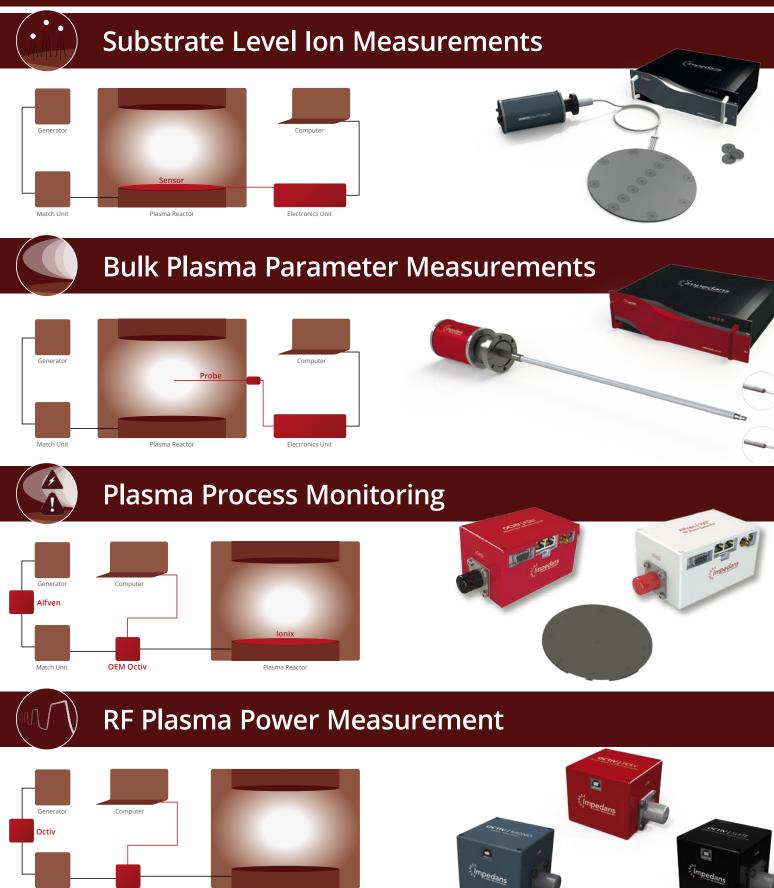


Voltage amplitude at 100 ms intervals for hourly session.



Voltage at 1 μs intervals for dura-tion of an event .





Match Unit

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Plasma Reactor



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## Semion | Vertex

Ion Energy Analyser Ion Energy | Ion Energy Distribution | Ion Flux Positive/Negative Ion | Electrode Voltage Ion Aspect Ratio (Vertex)

> Applications Dusty | Etch | HiPIMS Ion Beam | PECVD | Space Sputtering

## Langmuir

Plasma Parameters Plasma Potential | Floating Potential Ion Current Density | Plasma Density Electron Energy Distribution Function

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## Quantum

Ion Flux Fraction Deposition Rate | Ion Energy Ion Flux Electrode Voltage

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## Deposition Tolerant Probe

Plato

Plasma Density Ion Current Density Electron Temperature

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## **OEM Octiv**

Integrated VI Probe Voltage | Current | Phase Impedance | Harmonics Ethernet | EtherCAT

Applications Etch | Deposition | Medical RF Heating | Plasma Power Applications

## Alfven

Plasma Arc Detector Voltage | Current Pulse Monitoring Microarcs

Applications Etch | Deposition | Medical RF Heating | Sterilisation | PECVD lonix

Wireless Ion Measurement Average Ion Energy Ion Flux IEDF

> Applications Etch | PECVD Ion Beam | Sputtering

## Octiv Mono

Impedance RF Power Sensor Forward Power | Reflected Power Impedance Smith Chart

#### Applications

Atmospheric | Dusty Etching | PECVD | Space Sputtering

## Octiv Poly

Vl Probe Voltage | Current | Phase Impedance | Harmonics Pulsed Capability

#### Applications

Atmospheric | Dusty Etching | PECVD | Space Sputtering

## Octiv Suite

VI Probe Voltage | Current | Phase Impedance | Harmonics | Ion Flux Waveform Reproduction

#### Applications

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