#### **IEEE SW Test Workshop** Semiconductor Wafer Test Workshop

Oliver Nagler, Christian Degen, Mahmoud Nouri Infineon Technologies, Munich-Germany January Kister, Mike Slessor MicroProbe



# MicroProbe Vx-RF Probe Card Technology





EXCELLENCE IN PROBE CARD TECHNOLOGY

www.microprobe.com

## Outline

- Vx-RF Technology Overview
  - Problem Statement and Requirements
  - Approach
  - Characterization Data
- Wafer-Test Results
  - Bump-probe interaction
  - Cleaning
  - Qualification Methodology and Results
- Summary and Conclusions

## **Problem Statement**

- Infineon Technologies required a RF probe-card technology to provide:
  - Probing of Pb-free bumps and AI pads with same technology
  - Minimal pad/bump damage for KGD apps
  - Pitch scalability to 80um; corresponding planarity and alignment
  - Moderate pin count (< 500)</li>
  - Moderate RF bandwidth (<6GHz)</li>
  - Reliable and robust
- Collaboration with MicroProbe produced a productionworthy probe-card that meets all requirements

#### **MicroProbe's MEMs-enabled Probe Architecture**

Composite structure allows optimization of both mechanical and electrical properties

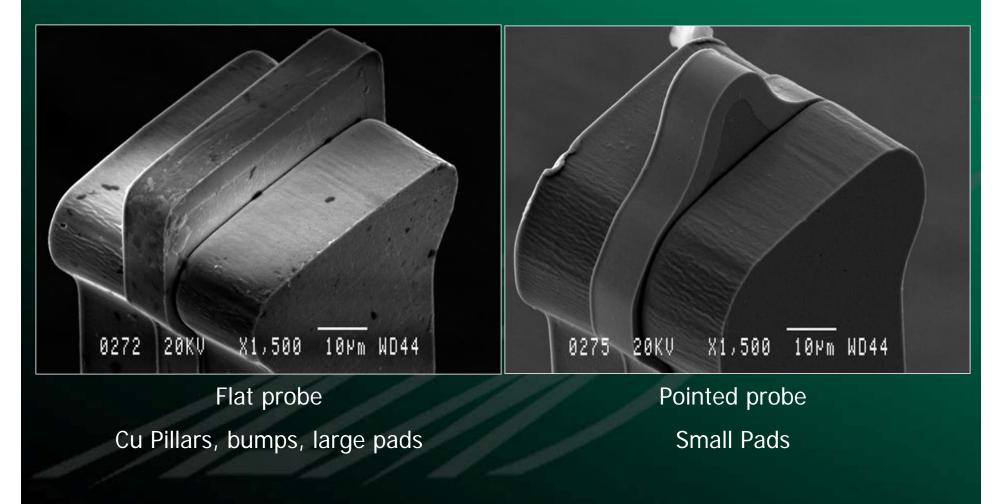
- Technical approach
  - Multiple materials
  - Photolithographically defined
- Material/geometry flexibility to provide optimal mechanical <u>and</u> electrical performance



Probes selectively etched to highlight structure

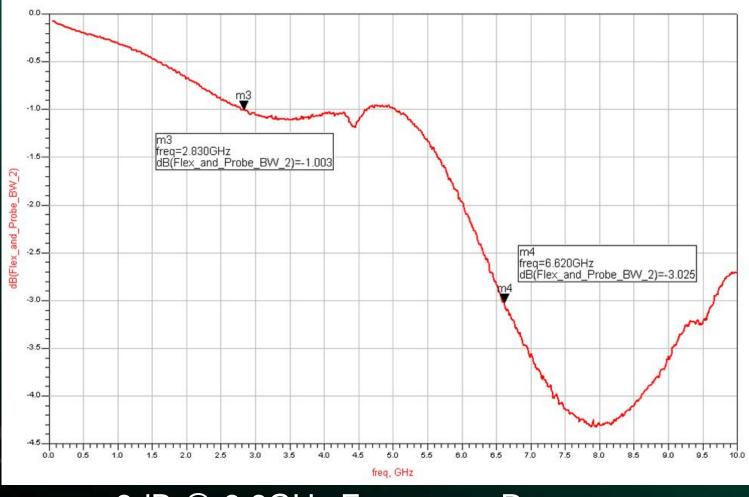
June 7 to 10, 2009

### **Probes Optimized For Individual Applications**



June 7 to 10, 2009

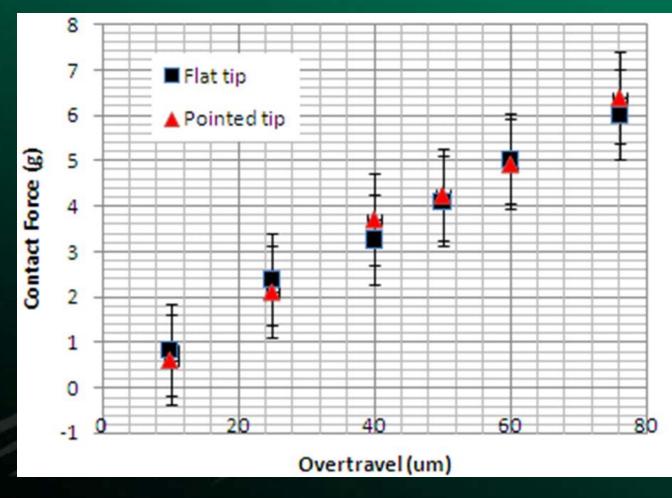
## **Vx-RF-80 Probe Head Bandwidth**



-3dB @ 6.6GHz Frequency Response

June 7 to 10, 2009

## **Vx-RF-80 Contact Force**



Wide overtravel range with low contact force

June 7 to 10, 2009

# **SMARTi-UE Product Outline**

- SMARTi ® family single chip CMOS transceivers Infineon is the leading supplier of standard GSM/GPRS, EDGE, and 3G/UMTS transceiver solutions.
- Applications:
  - Worldwide 3GPP UMTS / EDGE (W-EDGE) mobile handsets
  - HSDPA / HSUPA (H-EDGE) mobile data devices
  - Multi-Band UMTS
  - Quad-Band EDGE
- Test Requirements:
- Probe-after-Bump, 200µm min. pitch , full array, room temperature
- 5.0 GHz@-3.0dB, LTX Fusion-CX
- Ca. 80 pins , 1-DUT



June 7 to 10, 2009

## **Infineon's Probe Card Qualification Process**

- Significant PC-qualification milestones
  - PC6.1: Probe card acceptance and verification
    - incoming check, mechanical check, heating behavior, first TD, manual stepping
  - **PC7**: Probe card engineering release
    - online cleaning, correlation (AMSA, see next page)
  - PC8: Early production release
    - early yield stability and repeatability for 5 wafers (300 dice min)
  - PC9: Production release
    - yield stability for 10 lots
  - PC10: Manufacturing release
    - yield stability for 3 months or 50 lots, 2 probe cards minimum

## **Advanced Measurement System Analysis**

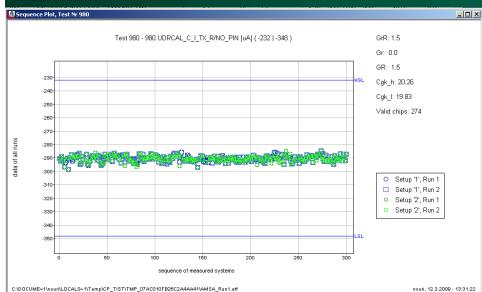
"AMSA is a fast and efficient tool based on Gage r&R methodology to analyze and assess test performance, identifying test instabilities ( Gr&R and Bin Flips) and focusing on the impact on yield of the measurement process ( $C_{gk}$ ) vs manufacturing process ( $C_{pk}$ )"

### When to use AMSA:

A regular Gr&R, whenever ...

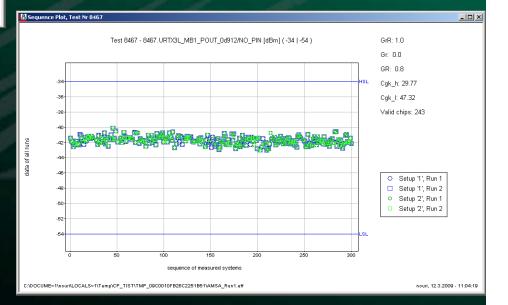
- the product is transferred into production (test package transfer)
- a novel test equipment (e.g. probe cards) is introduced
- a transfer from existing to new test site location

## Smarti UE Critical Tests vs. 300 samples

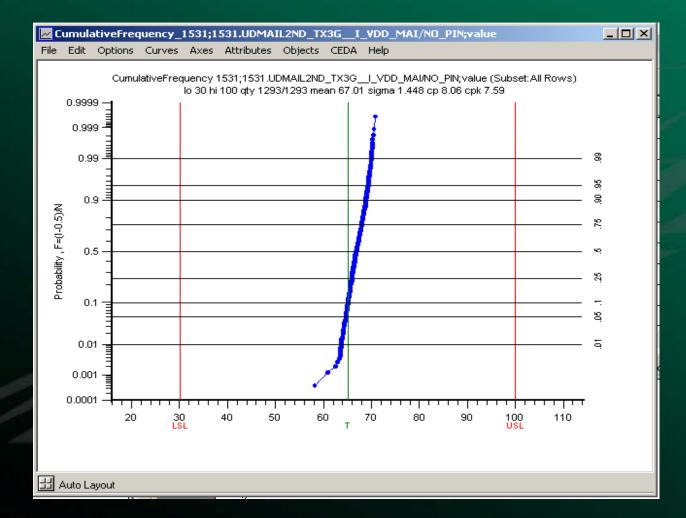


Cres Sensitivity

## Tx – Pout



# Smarti UE Full Wafer, Tx\_current



June 7 to 10, 2009

# Smarti UE Comparison (I\_TX) Package Test Vx-RF-80



Same performance for wafer and package test

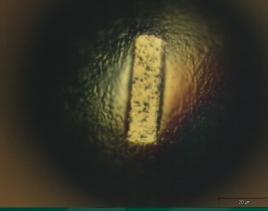
## **AMSA Qualification Results**

Excellent performance

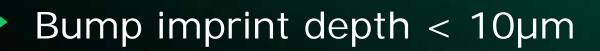
RF-characteristics up to 6GHz
High repeatability (GrR > 98%)
Stable contact quality
Low contact resistance

## **Minimal Bump Damage**



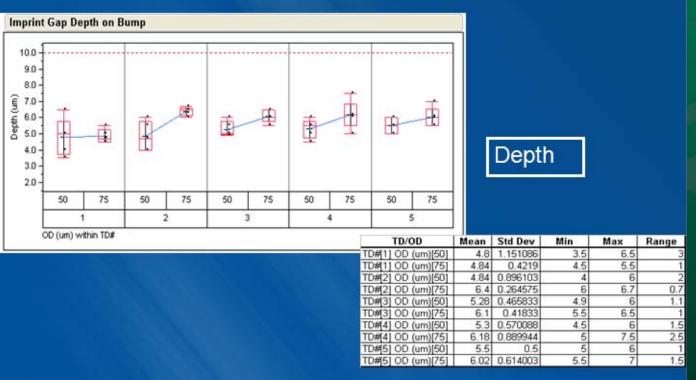


## 65µm OD No xy-offset 5x multiple-TD



## Qualification Results Bump Imprint Depth

#### Scrub Depth on Bump



For touchdown 4 and OD 50um, the depth is about 5.3um

#### Meets Infineon's bump damage requirements

June 7 to 10, 2009

# Cleaning

- Media: ITS 1um AIO2 lapping Film
- Frequency every 1/250 1/750 TD
- Deflection during Cleaning = 20um
- Cleaning TD's = 10

## Summary

- Vx-RF-80 uses MicroProbe's MEMs technology to provide a robust probe card for RF at-speed wafer sort
- Infineon Qualification Results:
  - Electrical performance: pass
  - Repeatability:
  - Bump damage: pass
- Next steps: Transfer to volume production

pass