

Some history of joint academic, industry, and government research programs for advanced semiconductor manufacturing in Albany New York

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This is a what I have seen and learned about Industry, Government, and Academic partnerships in 20+ years at Albany

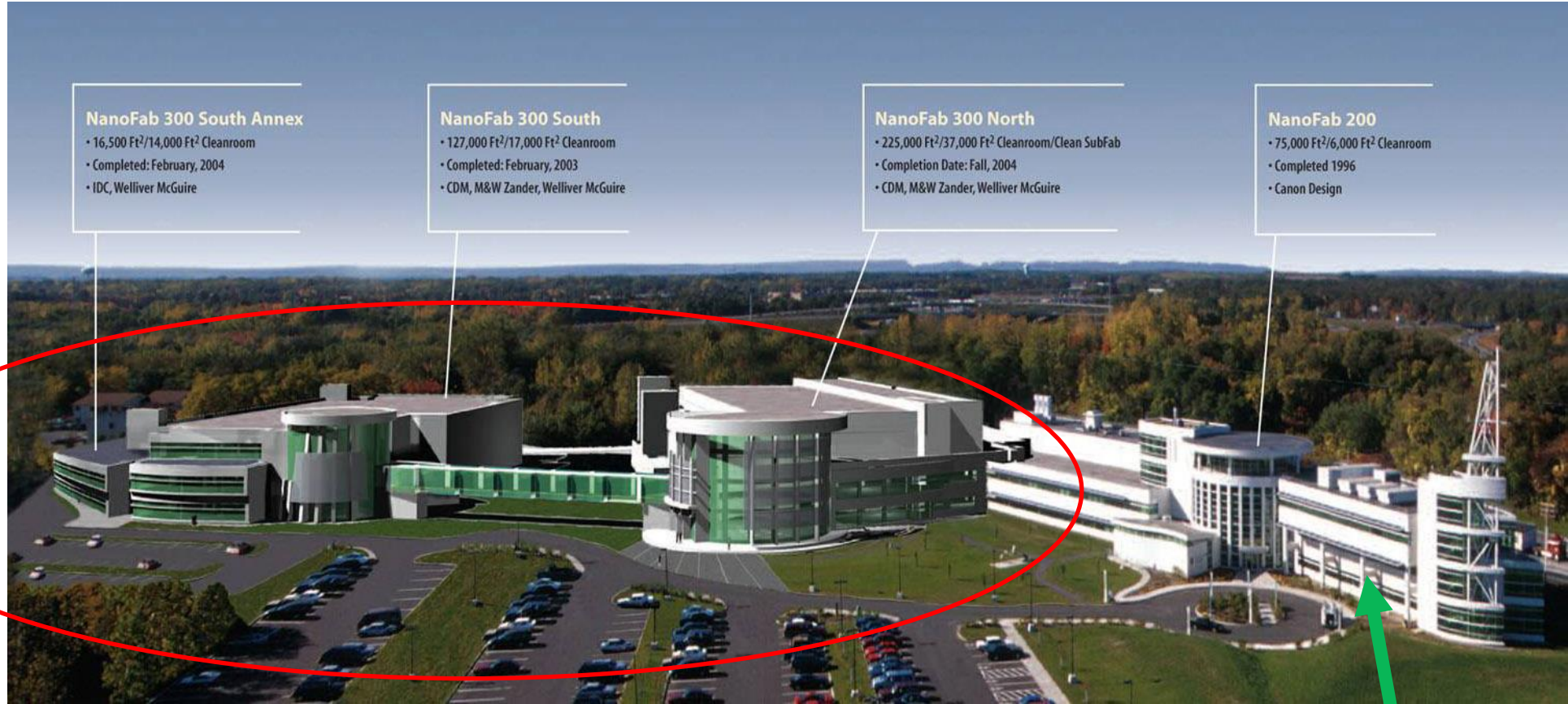
I study fundamentals of EUV photoresists for lithography, nanoparticles for defectivity reduction

But today I am here about Industry, Government and Academic partnerships

I did some of the science and engineering to support these programs, helped implement some of these, taught students,

but I was NOT responsible for making these programs happen

How did we go from this in ~ 2002



Drawings of plans for buildings

Real building built 1996 for mostly other purposes



To this in 2024

The two planned buildings were built!

The original building

ALBANY NANOTECH COMPLEX

<https://ny-creates.org/ny-creates-campus-complex/>



It took many partnerships between academics, industry and government



ANT's Strategic Partnerships with Industry

- **SEMATECH North**
 - \$403M program announced 7/02
 - Focus on EUV Lithography Infrastructure
- **TEL Technology Center America (TTCA)**
 - \$300M program announced 11/02
 - Focus on equipment and process technology R & D
- **International Multiphase Prog. for Lithography Science and Engineering (IMPLSE)**
 - \$400M program with ASML, IBM & ANT, announced 1/05
 - Focus on 193 nm immersion and EUV
- **IBM R&D Center**
 - \$450M program announced 1/05
- **International Nanoelectronics VENTure (INVENT)**
 - \$600M program with IBM, AMD, Infineon, Micron & ANT, announced 7/05
 - Focus on 193 nm immersion and EUV
- **AMAT-IBM-ANT**
 - \$300M program announced 9/05
 - Focus on materials, process, and equipment technology

Slide from 2005 EUVL Symposium



EUV Lithography Programs at Albany NanoTech

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I worked in this program and
Will talk in more detail



Requirements for success

The program has to benefit all participants

- Government
 - Jobs, jobs, jobs
- Academic
 - Solve science and engineering problems
 - Train students for future workforce
- Industry
 - save research funds with cost-sharing
 - advance technology to enable future profits

also needs to be pre-competitive research

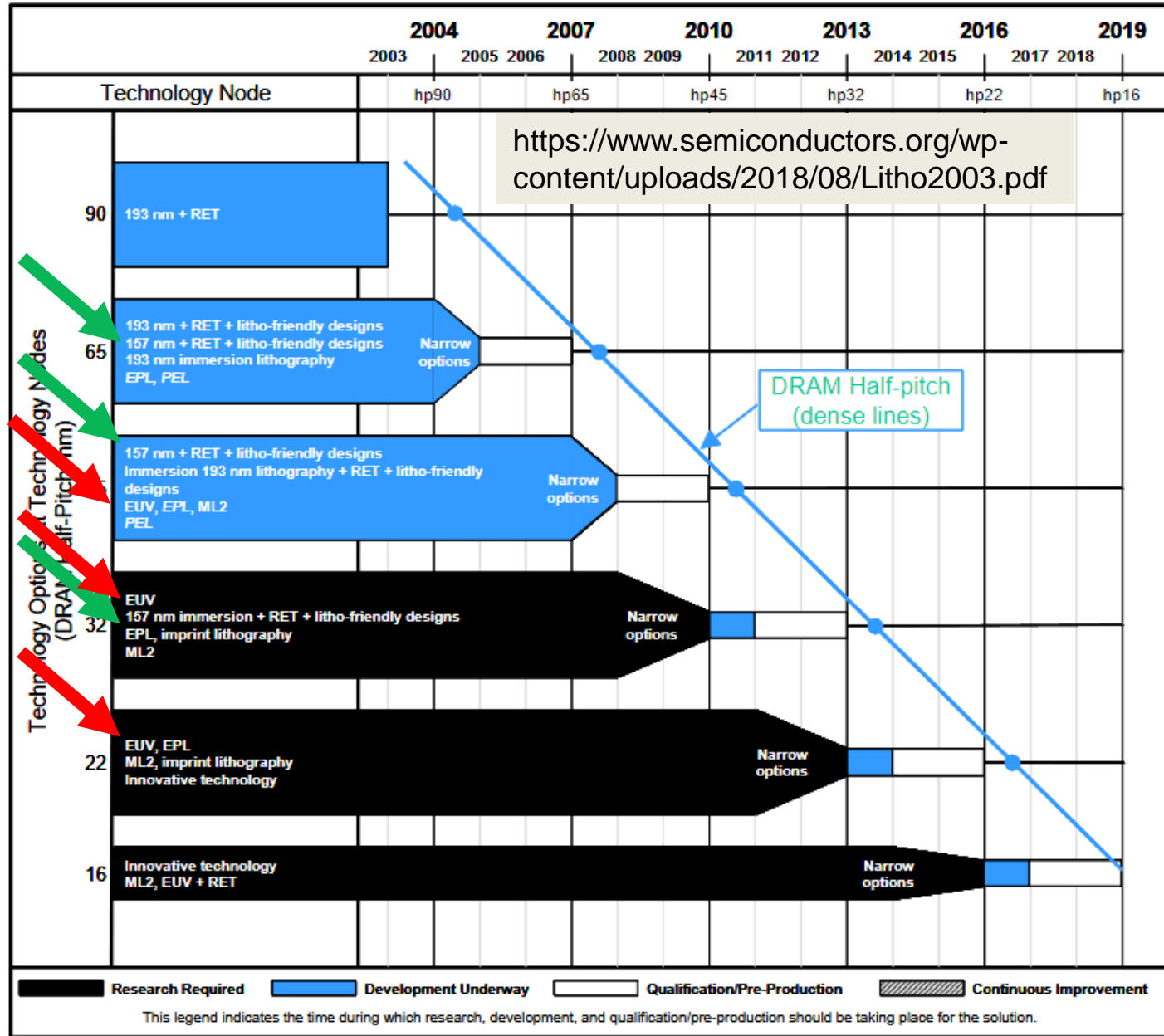
also need contracts and intellectual property (IP) protection (often painful process)

From 2003 ITRS Roadmap

157 nm lithography in green

EUV lithography in red

Immersion lithography was not even on the roadmap!



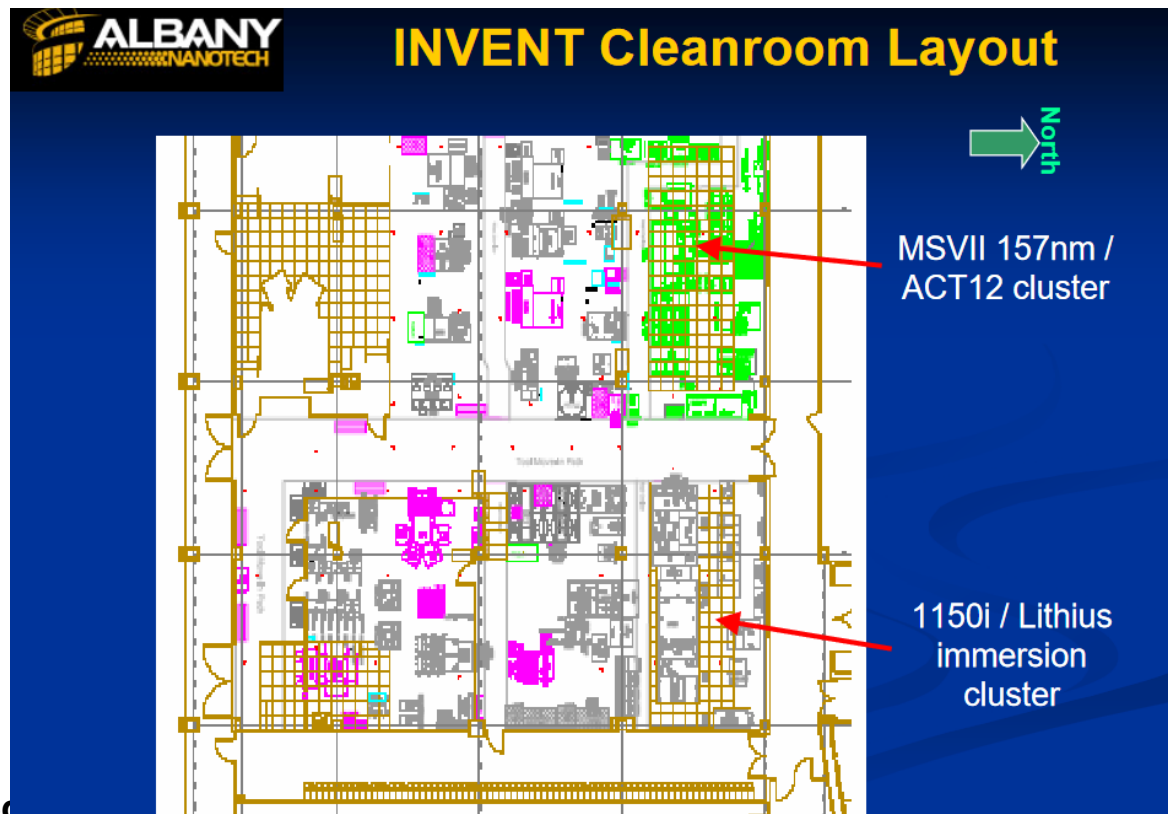
INVENT program

Have a plan:

Focus on ~~157 nm lithography~~ and EUV lithography

Change that plan along the way – be adaptable!

-> Focus on immersion lithography and EUV lithography



Remove 157 nm lithograph tool

Install first ASML immersion lithography tool!

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In the other cleanroom keep working on EUV lithography

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ALBANY NANOTECH NanoFab 300 North Cleanroom Layout



VHNA immersion cluster

EUV alpha cluster

EUV Exitech MET

ASML EUV Alpha Demo Tool in Albany



INVENT

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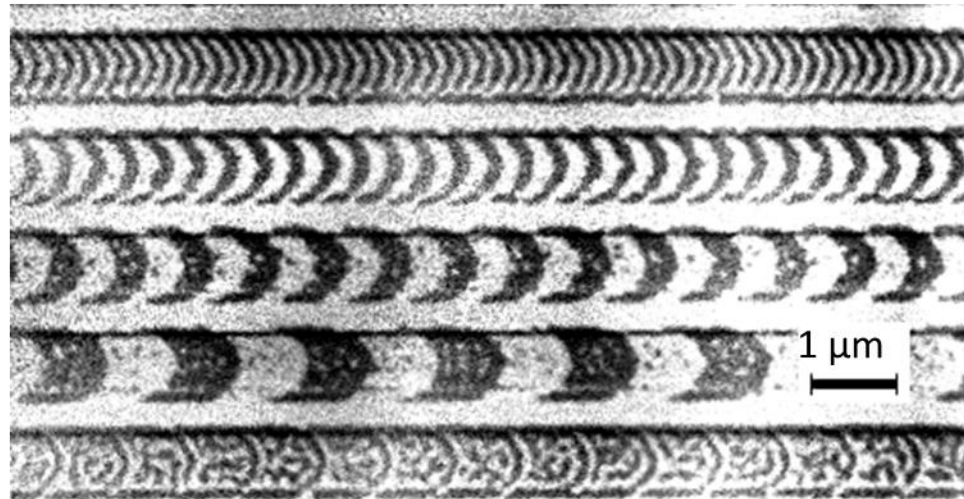
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What about other industries

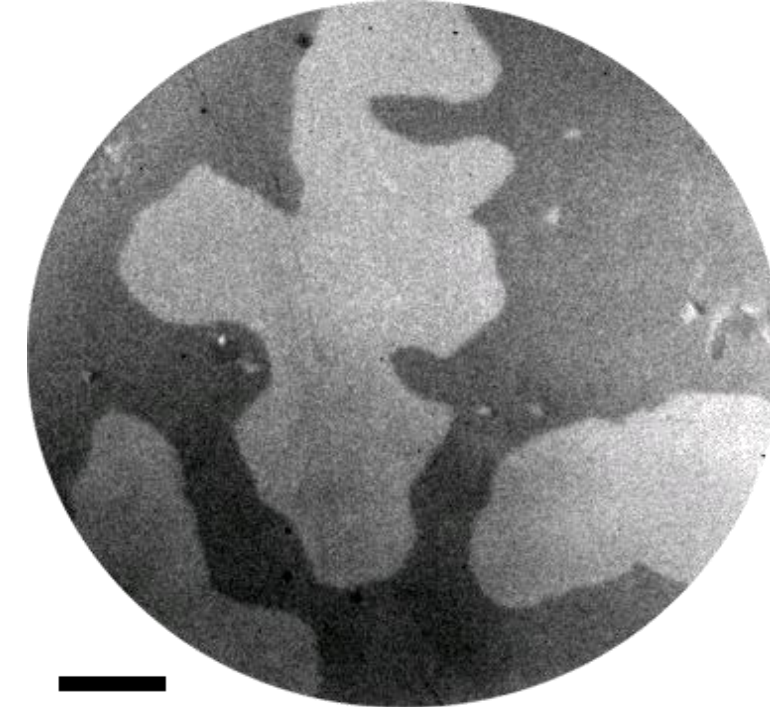
I used to do x-ray microscopy with magnetic circular dichroism and did research with the magnetic recording industry

100 nm
lines &
spaces



Out-of-plane
thermomagnetically
written bits in a
magneto-optical disk
(FeTbCo)

Fe L₃ (704eV)



1 μm

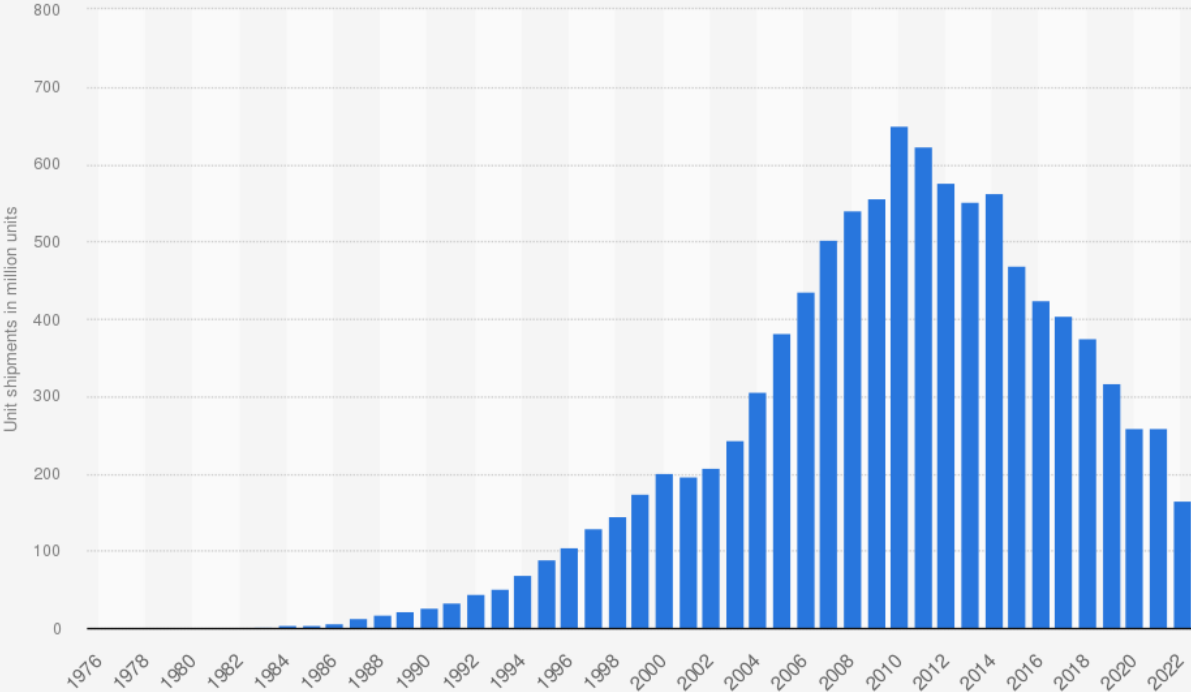
Fe₇₅Gd₂₅



So, I thought it would be a good idea to start another Industry, Government, Academic partnership in magnetic recording



Hard disk drive (HDD) unit shipments worldwide from 1976 to 2022 (in million units)



Sources: TrendFocus; StorageNewsletter; The Register; Coughlin Associates; Forbes © Statista 2024
Additional Information: Worldwide; TrendFocus; IDC; StorageNewsletter; Coughlin Associates; 1976 to 2022

<https://www.statista.com/graphic/1/398951/global-shipment-figures-for-hard-disk-drives.jpg>

But that will not work when the profit margins are too low and the market is crashing...



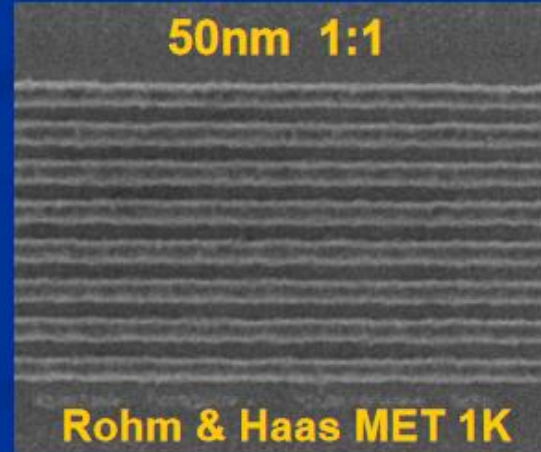
What about other sharing models – the SEMATECH EUV Resist Test Center



SEMATECH North EUV Resist Test Center

- The EUV Resist Test Center supports development of resists meeting production requirements. The EUV RTC can also support mask development
- The EUV RTC will accelerate EUV resist development by providing processing infrastructure to resist researchers.

Exitech MS-13 EUV Microstepper



2005 SEMATECH membership:
Samsung, AMD, Freescale, Hewlett-Packard, IBM, Infineon, Intel, Panasonic, Philips, Spansion, TSMC, Texas Instruments

<https://sst.semiconductor-digest.com/2005/09/samsung-joins-sematech-consortium/>

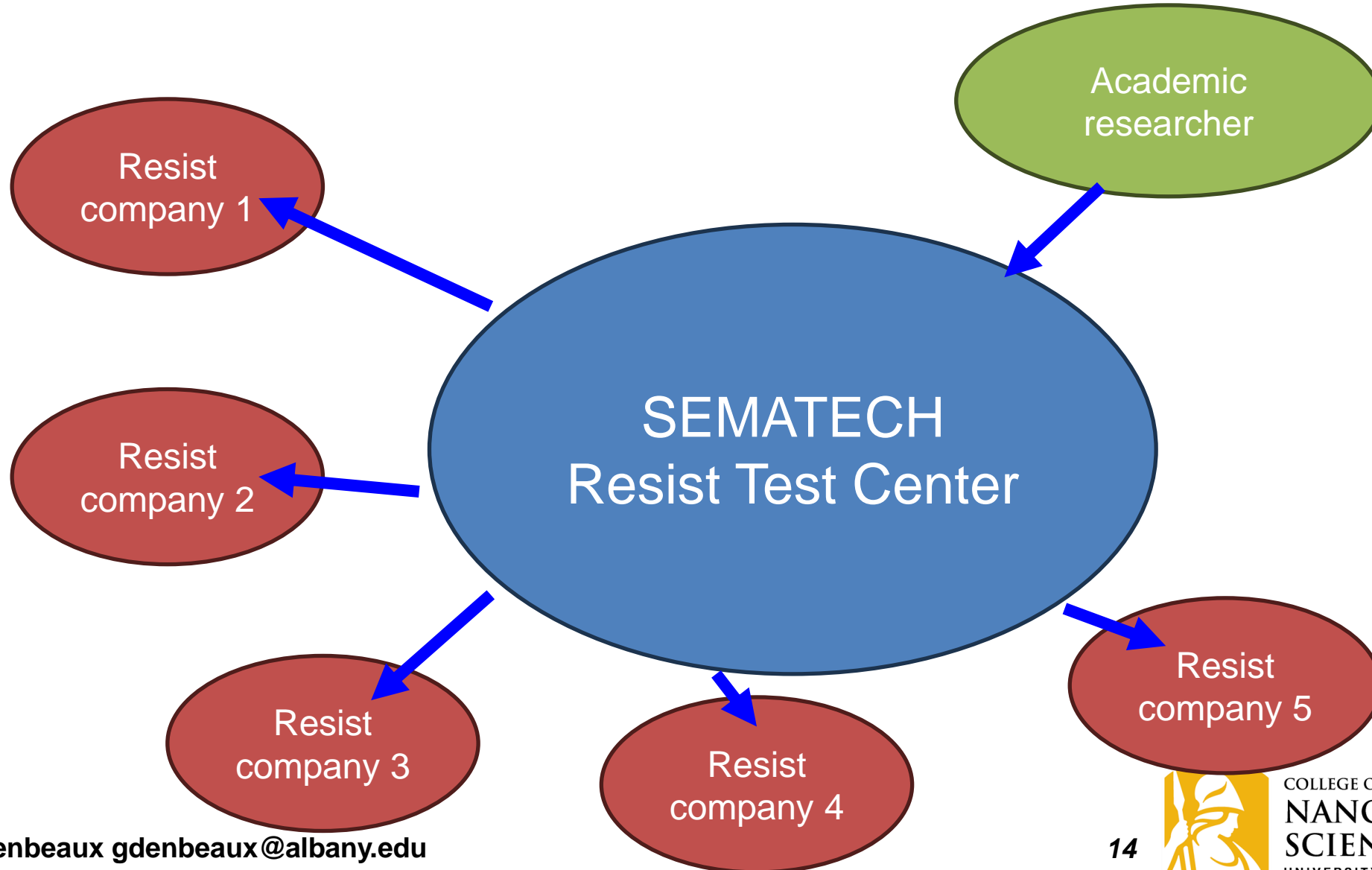
Most major resist suppliers participated in the SEMATECH Resist Test Center

Who pays for the program?

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**As an academic, the SEMATECH Resist Test Center was great
I could do research that benefited multiple companies through a common program**



It has been an interesting journey Any questions?

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