Wafer cleaning using the strip and spin process



Project

In the semiconductor industry, cleaning wafers using the so-called spin cleaner or the strip process is a critical function that must be repeated numerous times in the production process of a chip. Unwanted, microscopically small materials must be effectively removed. Because of the design and sensitive structure, the cleaning processes must overcome several challenges.

• Requirements

- Chemical resistance
- Extension of service life
- High system availability
- Cleanliness and abrasion:
- no marks or structural damage on the wafer
- Cleanroom compatible
- High level of productivity and flexibility
- Customer-specific versions (material, coating/mounting)

Solution

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PEEK/PTFE

Highlights

used

• High-quality surface coating:

Ideal material hardness:

• Soft seal and media separation:

• Tailored to your application:

The standard coating of the guided drive DFM offers resistance to a large number of the media

Suction cup type ESS for careful wafer handling

The small media valves type Voda. All parts that come into contact with the media consist of

Customer-specific versions of all products possible

- Guided drive DFM
- Vacuum suction cups ESS
- Media valve VODA-LD77
- PTFE tube PTFEN
- Proximity sensor CRSMT-8M
- Valve terminal VTOC

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Wafer cleaning using the strip and spin process: Products and solutions



Guided drive DFM

- Sturdy and precise
- Wide choice of variants
- Minimal space requirements and minimal assembly time
- Diameter: 12, 16, 20, 25, 32, 40, 50, 63, 80, 100 mm
- Stroke length: 10 ... 400 mm
- Force: 51 ... 4712 N
- Position sensing
- Fixed/adjustable cushioning



Vacuum suction cups ESS

- Suction cup with mounting thread
- Very robust
- Long service life, even under heavy loads
- Systematically more modular
- Diameter 2 ... 200 mm, 4 x 10 ... 30x90 mm
- Connection: external thread/internal thread
- Round and oval suction cup (with connection attachments)



PTFE tube PTFEN

- TSE-free and resistant to cleaning agents
- Highly resistant to temperatures and pressure
- Tubing outside diameter/pneumat. connection: 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 mm
- Temperature-dependent operating pressure: -0.95 ... +12 bar
- Operating temperature: -20 ... +150°C

• Variety of types: 7 diameters

Proximity sensor CRSMT-8M

- Extremely robust and heavy-duty
- Quick, easy and stable installation
- Resistant to acids, alkali and cooling lubricants
- Degree of protection IP65, IP68 and IP69k
- Cable length up to 10 m
- Connection technology: M8 or M12 with rotatable thread; open end



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Media valve VODA-LD77

- 2/2-way valve
- Soft seal and media separation
- High flow rate: perfectly suited to the distribution of cleaning fluids in flushing processes or for switching drop-off currents
- Switching time: 16 ms
- Temperature range: medium: 5 ... 50 °C
 environment: 5 ... 50 °C
- Operating voltage: 12 V DC
 24 V DC



Valve terminal VTOC

- Valve terminal for a wide range of pneumatic applications
- Operational safety and easy assembly
- Sturdy thanks to simple design
- Operating pressure: 0 ... 8 bar
- Valve function: 2x3/2, closed, single solenoid
- Max. no. of valve positions: 24
- Configurable manifold rails