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WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2021-Present** Power Integrations San Jose, CA: Sr Staff Technology Development GaN Foundry
- 2011-20** Transphorm Goleta, CA: Sr Director GaN Foundry
- 2004-2011** Maxim Integrated Products San Jose, CA: Manager Process Engineering-Plasma
- 2000-2004** Cypress Semiconductor San Jose CA: Principal Engineer Plasma Etch
- 1995-2000** Applied Materials Santa Clara, CA Sr Process Engineer Plasma Etch

EDUCATION

Strategic Studies

PhD in Defense Studies at King's College London Granted in 2016
Thesis Topic: Indian Nuclear Testing Decisions: A Foreign Policy
Analysis Framework based Model Supervisors: Dr. Harsh Pant & Dr.
Wyn Bowen

MA, Monterey Institute of International Studies-Middlebury
2010 Nonproliferation Studies

Management Studies

Program for Leader Development (PLD) -Harvard Business
School 2006-07 Sponsored by Employer-Maxim Integrated
Products

IC Processing Studies

MBA Santa Clara University-Concentration Finance
1998 -2001 Sponsored by Applied Materials

MEng, Rochester Institute of Technology
Microelectronics Engineering 1994
(Sematch/SRC Fellowship)

UG Studies

The University of the South-Sewanee, USA
BS (Cum Laude) Physics and Math 1993
(Full Academic Scholarship-entire time)

PUBLICATIONS IEEE Technical GaN Foundry

650 V Highly Reliable GaN HEMTs on Si Substrates over multiple generations: Expanding
usage of a mature 150 mm Si Foundry (2019 30th Annual SEMI Advanced
Semiconductor Manufacturing Conference (ASMC) Saratoga Springs 2019)

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5000+ Wafers of 650 V Highly Reliable GaN HEMTs on Si Substrates: Wafer Breakage and Backside Contamination Results (2020 31st Annual SEMI Advanced Semiconductor Manufacturing Conference (ASMC) Saratoga Springs 2020)
Published IEEE Transactions in Semiconductor Manufacturing-2020

650 V Highly Reliable GaN HEMTs on Si Substrates over Multiple Generations: Matching Silicon CMOS Manufacturing Metrics and Process Control ([2016 IEEE Compound Semiconductor Integrated Circuit Symposium \(CSICS\), Austin TX](#))

600 V JEDEC-qualified highly reliable GaN HEMTs on Si substrates
[2014 IEEE International Electron Devices Meeting](#), San Francisco, CA

Line-edge roughness reduction for advanced metal gate etch with 193-nm lithography in a silicon decoupled plasma source etcher (DPSII) (Proc. SPIE 5039, Advances in Resist Technology and Processing XX, (12 June 2003))

SPIE Technical Silicon Foundry

Gate Etch Process Control (Proc. SPIE 5038, Metrology, Inspection, and Process Control for Microlithography XVII, (2 June 2003);

Gate Etch CD control using MIMO FutureFab 2004 ,SPIE2004

Photolithography Process Characterization using Development Rate Monitor
(SPIE Microlithography, Advances in Resist Technology 1995)

Aluminum DualDamascene: IITC Conference May1999,Burlingame,CA.

AVS Technical Silicon Foundry

Multilayer Gate Stack for line edge roughness reduction in 193nmlithography U.S.
Patent Number 7,229,929

PATENTS

Insitu hardmask approach for self-aligned contact etch US Patent 7,078,334

Borderless Contact Architecture US Patent 6713831

Method for forming subcritical dimension structures in an integrated circuit US

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AFFILIATIONS

Semiconductors

Member IEEE

Member Technical Committee SEMI

Dean's Advisory Council: Dept of
Microelectronics Engineering at Rochester Inst
of Technology, Rochester, NY USA

STRATEGIC STUDIES

Journal Paper

A Two Variable Proliferation Model: Implications for US Policy towards
Iran(Accepted for Publication in the Winter 2013 edition of Nuclear Notes-CSIS)

STRATEGIC STUDIES

CONFERENCE PAPERS

Prospects for Indo-Japan Nuclear Cooperation: A Synthetic Foreign Policy
Analysis based Framework (Accepted for invited talk at Kyoto University
February 2015)

Indian Nuclear Testing Decision Making: A Foreign Policy Analysis framework
based model (Accepted for Young Scholars Program at ISA West Sept 2014)

Indian Nuclear Testing Decision Making: A Foreign Policy Analysis framework
based model (Accepted for Presentation: ISA FLASCO Buenos Aires)

Indian Nuclear Testing and Non-testing decisions: Mapping nine cases since
latency to explain dominant causal mechanisms (Accepted for Presentation
at ISA-ISSS Conference 2013 to be held at George Washington University Oct
4-6)

Engaging the Scientific Enclave in India towards Nonproliferation post Indo-US
Civil nuclear agreement (PONI Conference Proceedings 2010. CSIS)

STRATEGIC STUDIES

AWARDS

Essay "The Indian Nuclear Testing Puzzle: Bureaucratic Politics Models and
Implications for Future US Nonproliferation Policy" selected as one of five finalist
of the 2012 Doreen & Jim McElvany Nonproliferation Challenge Center for
Nonproliferation Studies -Monterey

Honorary Post Doc University of Leicester 2020 working on publication of PhD
thesis into Book to be published by Routledge South Asia Series under guidance

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STRATEGIC STUDIES WORKSHOP

Indo-US Nuclear Dialog with Jawaharlal Nehru University students(CSIS

2010) Nuclear Workshop (Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies New

Delhi) 2011 CTBTO Public Diplomacy Course in Vienna in July 2013

QUANTITATIVE

ISA Workshop: Nuclear Politics Beyond Positivism in April 2013 at San Francisco

Experience

Regression Analysis, Bayesian Statistics, Likelihood estimation. JMP/SAS

TEACHING

Experience

Teaching Assistant for Finite Math 104 at The University of the South Summer 1992

Teaching Assistant , RIT Learning Lab 1993-94

Taught Underprivileged inner city students from the Bronx and Brooklyn on a bootcamp in RIT in Summer of 1994

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Yoshimuri Asai, Aizu Fujitsu Semiconductor
Wafers Ltd (AFSW)

Dr. Peter Smith, Device Technologist
Transphorm Goleta, CA

Dr. Rakesh Lal, Device Technologist
Transphorm Goleta, CA

Dr. Amitava Das, CEO Tagore Technologies,
Arlington Heights, IL

Dr. Shahin Sharifzadeh, Co- CEO NextGen
Power Systems, San Jose, CA (Supervisor at
Cypress from 2000-2004)

Vijay Ullal, Venture Capitalist Saratoga CA
(Supervisor Maxim Integrated Products San
Jose from 2004-11)

Mr. Gopal Krishna ex MD Maxim India
Bengaluru in the context of Maxim
Gandhinagar which was scaled up by me
from 2007-09.

Dr JB Price, Supervisor Los Gatos, CA
Supervisor at Applied Materials-1995-2000

Ajit Manocha, President SEMI Milpitas, CA

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