

Institute of Microelectronics - NCSR "DEMOKRITOS"  
"Center of Excellence in Micro, Nanotechnologies & Microsystems"

**Funded projects**

Research at IMEL is carried out within competitive National, European and International projects and direct contracts with industry.

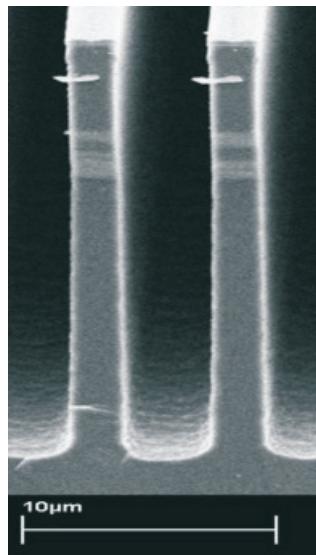
**Education / activities**

Due to its unique infrastructure at a national level and the important expertise and know-how of its researchers, IMEL plays an important role in post-graduate education. It participates very actively in several educational programmes, in collaboration with Greek universities, by providing special courses and laboratory training.

**Laboratories and Central Micro and Nanofabrication Facilities at IMEL**

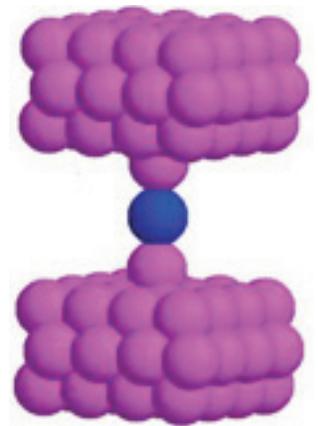
The facilities and equipment of IMEL are unique in Greece. They include a full silicon processing laboratory in a clean room area of 300 m<sup>2</sup> equipped with lithography and etching tools, thermal and chemical processing facilities, ion implantation, deposition of metals, dielectrics and poly-nanocrystalline silicon by physical and chemical processes (LPCVD, sputtering, e-gun and thermal evaporation), and process inspection equipment. Its electron beam lithography equipment is also unique in Greece. Satellite laboratories include electrical and optical characterization, micromachining and packaging laboratory, resist development laboratory, Electron Microscopy (SEM, STM/AFM), sensor characterization and testing.

**Competitive advantages**



**Research at IMEL** is carried out at EU level through its participation in European research projects and networks of excellence, as well as in initiatives for providing advanced technology services at EU level. EU projects are across a number of EU specific programmes, including mainly Information Society Technologies (IST priority) and Nanotechnology, Materials and Production Processes (NMP priority). IMEL's success in the above peer reviewed R&D funded programmes represents one of the strongest endorsements of IMEL's R&D competence and reflects the world-class standing of the Institute.

On national level the expertise and infrastructure of IMEL are unique in Greece, which makes its role for the country also unique in an effort to develop novel technologies, to transfer technology and know-how to the industry and to develop human potential, which constitutes the principal driving force for an industrial activity in high technology. Furthermore, IMEL developed mechanisms to promote the field at national level through the establishment and coordination of the National Scientific Network in Microelectronics, Microsystems and Nanotechnology (MMN Network) and the Scientific Society Micro&Nano.



**Personnel**

The personnel of IMEL includes 17 research scientists and engineers, around 10 post-doctoral scientists and 20 Phd students as well as 12 technicians and administrative personnel.



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