

Siltronic – Well positioned for the future

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#### **Overview**

Semi applications

Semiconductor end markets growth fuelled by innovation such as Big Data, 5G connectivity, electrification, energy reduction and Artificial Intelligence

Industry innovation

- Moore's Law continues but slowing down
- Continued process technology innovation attracts new applications and increases wafer volume
- Customer roadmaps require wafers to accommodate latest Design Rules and new specifications

Stakeholder value

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- We continue to execute our strategy to stay "one generation ahead"
- Grow with the market and deliver value to our stakeholders.



### Data creation and increasing storage demand will grow further

#### **Smartphones**



- Increasing content in smartphones
  - more cameras per phone including 3D sensing
  - memory (DRAM + NAND)

#### **PCs/Laptops**



- Forecasted to remain rather flattish in silicon demand
  - upside potential with increasing SSD ratio

#### **Servers**



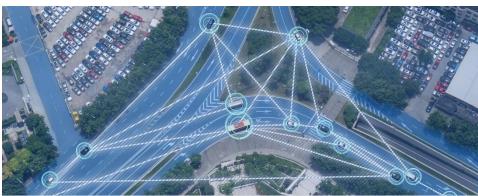
- Increasing SSD ratio and SSD size
- Substitution of HDD by SDD due to performance
- Main server applications:
  - software as a service (SaaS)
  - machine learning

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# Automotive and industrial applications offer multiple growth opportunities

#### **Automotive**



- Powerertrain, Chassis, Infotainment and ADAS drive Si consumption
  - Si consumption for powertrain influenced by hybrid solutions and electrical cars
  - Chassis Si consumption driven by a multitude of small devices for mechanical, electrical and sensing actions in and around the car
  - ADAS, Infotainment and connectivity require sensors, advanced Logic and larger areas of memory

#### **Industrial**



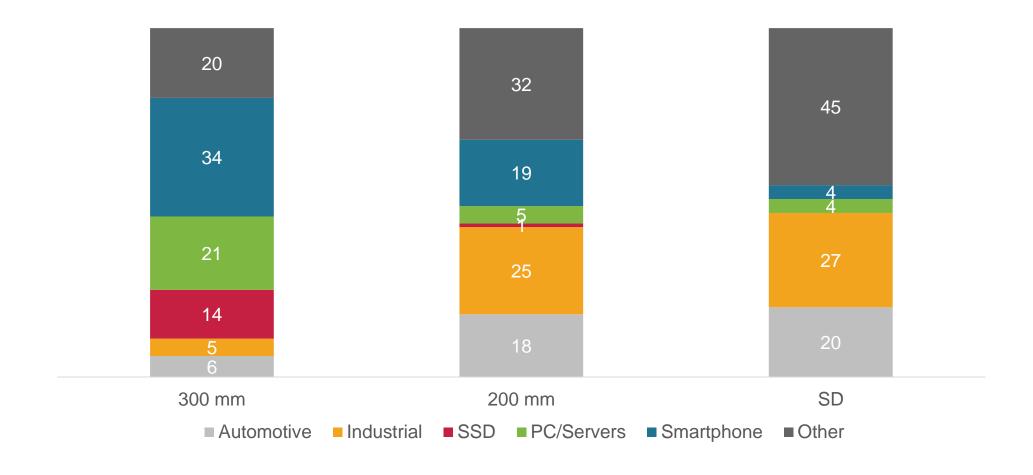
- Industrial semiconductor devices highly fragmented
- Main device groups are sensors, analog, logic and power
- Industrial devices follow the main function chain of sense - convert signal - transfer signal - process save - and control power of the device.
- Si content growth driven by cost reduction initiatives: inverters, predictive maintenance and cobots and less by end market volumes.

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# Main end applications drive different wafer sizes

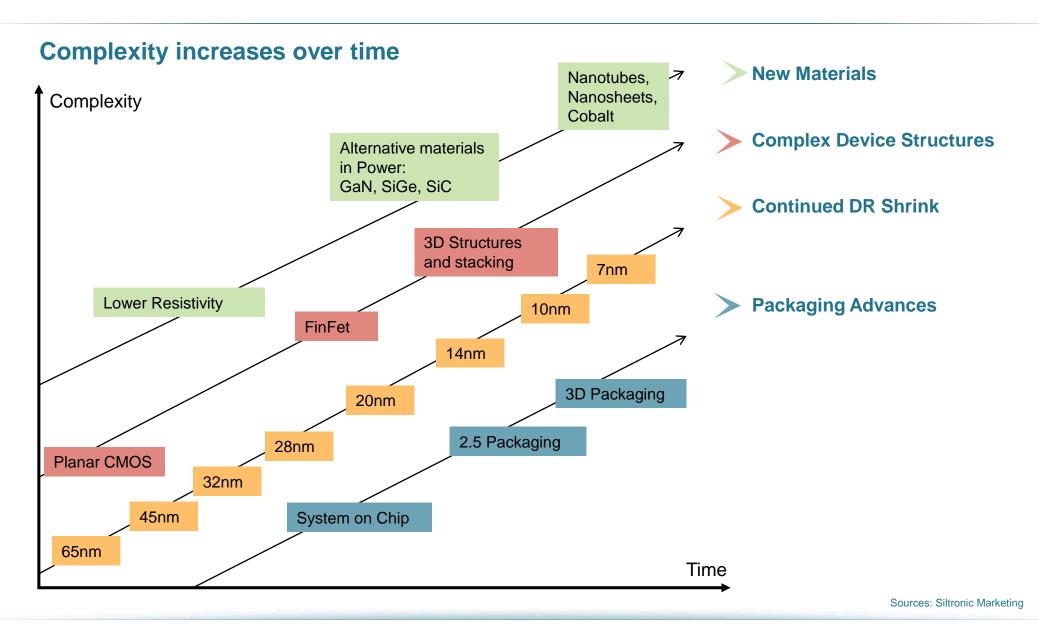
Si consumption share per main end market, in % of total wafer area in 2018







# Diversified markets driving differentiation for silicon wafers must be fitted to varied device approaches





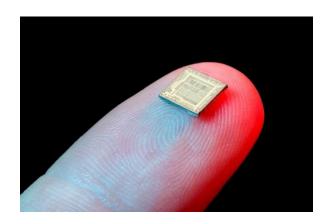
# Siltronic is continuously improving its wafer properties to match customer needs

- Higher integration
- Faster circuits
- Smaller transistors
- Line width reduction

- Lower power consumption
- Higher temperature
- Higher power
- ▶ Higher die yield

- Flatter wafers
- Lower defect density
- Fewer particles at smaller size
- Less edge exclusion

- Tailored resistivity specifications
- Enhanced carrier lifetime
- Advanced materials





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# Wafer technology requires perfection in all aspects Example: 300 mm wafer

# Clean air production environment

 For clean room class 1, <1 golf ball of "dust" would be allowed in Lake Michigan (volume ~ 5,000 km<sup>3</sup>)

#### Crystal perfection

A 300 mm silicon mono-crystal with diamond lattice structure (>3 m length, >400 kg weight)

### Purity of silicon wafers

- <2 unintentional metal impurities per 100 billion silicon atoms</p>

# Number and size of particles

- <5 halved golf balls within the whole New York Metropolitan area (~150 km diameter)

#### **Flatness**

height variation of max. 1 leaf of a tree on the surface of Lake
Chiemsee

### Case study: yield enhancement in customer device line

### **Objective**

- Improve device performance related to an electrical test parameter (leakage current)
- Define range / limits of dopants impurities to better understand the failure mechanism

#### Siltronic contribution

Providing a sample wafer set with ingot characteristics. Physical wafer characterization and specific heat treatments to condition dopants / impurities of test wafers



#### **Customer contribution**

- Device process runs
- Feedback of electrical test parameters



 Optimized specification for certain ingot and wafer characteristics, resulting in stable and reliable yields and device performances

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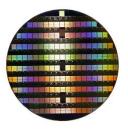
### Case study: future design rule generation material and processes

#### **Objective**

- Integrate silicon wafers with non silicon channel material to achieve sub 10nm DR generation transistors
- Explore silicon wafer options based on Siltronic available products and processes

#### Siltronic contribution

Hetero-epitaxial sample wafers with various SiGe layer compositions, with or without strained silicon or germanium layers. Material characterization data



#### **Customer contribution**

Device process tests and feedback on sample wafer performance, device characterization data and assessment of applicability of different options



- Early identification of potential options
- Positioning of Siltronic as development partner of choice

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# Case study: wafer and defect characterization equipment development

#### **Objective**

Define and standardize measurement recipes to balance the need for sensitivity and cost optimization to enable device process development

#### Siltronic contribution

Measurements with various settings, measurement capability analysis and proposals for best known method



#### **Customer contribution**

Same as Siltronic



- Aligned / correlated measurement recipes for newest generation of measurement equipment
- Ability to verify product performance against customer expectation at acceptable cost per wafer

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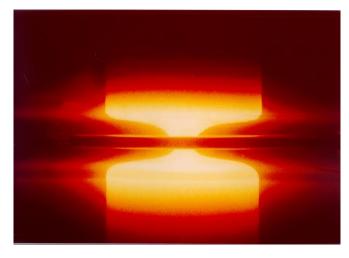


# Czochralski (CZ) vs Floatzone (FZ) crystal growing process



#### Czochralski (CZ)-growth

- Whole silicon charge molten at a time
- Dopant enriches during ingot pulling in the crucible with decreasing amount of molten silicon left in the crucible
- Resistivity drops towards ingot tail end



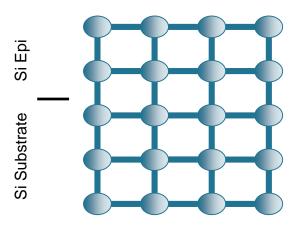
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#### **FZ-growth**

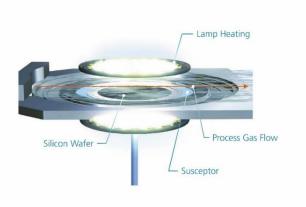
- Only a relatively small amount of silicon molten at a time
- Dopant is added as a gas blown towards the molten zone
- Hardly any axial effect

# Epitaxial wafers provide perfect solution for leading edge device technologies

#### **Homoepitaxy:** "substrate layer = epi layer



#### Epi process step



#### **Epitaxial layer provides**

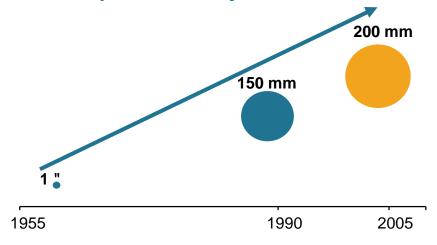
- Defect free surface and subsurface layer
- Excellent gate oxide quality
- Tighter resistivity distribution than polished wafers
- No slip issues

#### **Target applications**

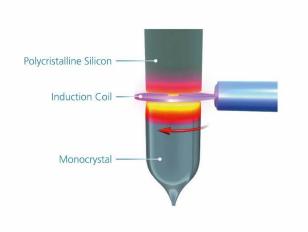
- Logic
- CMOS image sensors

# Floatzone (FZ) technology

#### **FZ** development history



#### **FZ** crystal growing



#### **Properties of FZ**

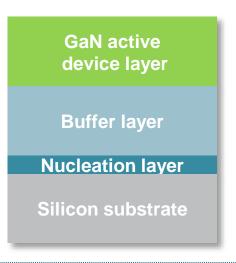
- Excellent resistivity uniformity
- Optimized purity of bulk material
- Significantly lower oxygen content
- High resistivity

### **Target applications**

- ▶ IGBT & Diode
- Replacement for thick epi
- ▶ High ohmic applications (passive integration, RF)

### R&D activities on GaN-on-Si for emerging niche markets

#### Structure of GaN-on-Si







8" GaN-on-Si wafer

Microscopic inspection

#### **General benefits**

- Fast switching
- Reduction of conduction and switching losses
- High temperature operation
- Compatible with Si CMOS manufacturing

#### **Target applications**

#### **Power electronics**

Low/high voltage and high frequency applications, e.g.

- Power supplies for consumer electronics
- Power converters for solar
- Devices for automotive

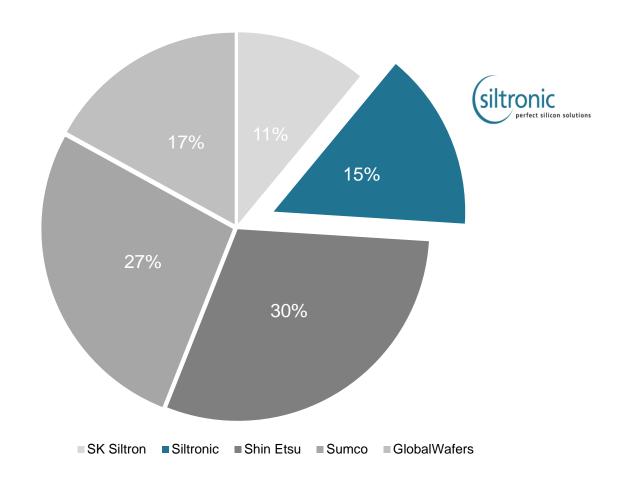
#### RF electronics

5G telecom infrastructure, mm wave front-end



# Siltronic has a relevant global market share...

#### Top 5 wafer producers serve more than 90% of market across all diameters



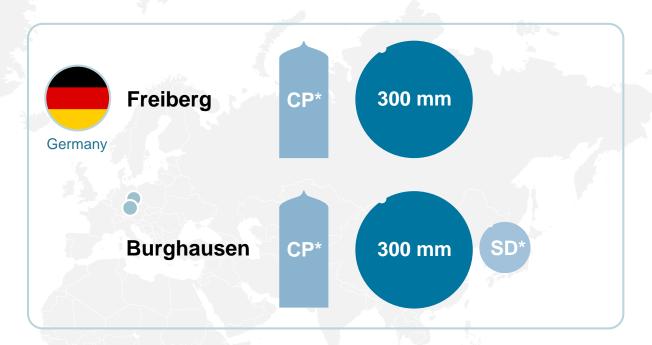
Sources: reported company revenues FY 2018, converted to USD million



# ... and an international manufacturing network



- ► Central R&D hub in Burghausen
- ▶ High volume facilities for 300 mm in Germany and Singapore
- ► Among world's **newest & largest** fabs in Singapore





\*CP = Crystal Pulling | \*SD = 150 mm and smaller

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### Clear commitment to sustainability

#### Sustainability at Siltronic AG

- ▶ Claim: We understand sustainability as responsible action for society and want to generate competitive advantages through sustainable action.
- **Strategy:** We plan resource-saving right from the start, based on product and production safety as well as health and environmental protection.
- Voluntary commitments: We follow the principles of the Sustainable Development Goals, the United Nations Global Compact, and the Responsible Care and Responsible Business Alliance initiative.
- ▶ **Goal:** We want to reconcile the effects of our business activities with the expectations and needs of society.









**Investor-Rating:** Since 2018, we have been analyzed by ISS-oekom, one of the world's leading rating agencies for sustainable investments, and assessed with regard to the ESG criteria (Environment, Social, Governance). Right from the start, we were awarded 'Prime' status for our sustainability activities.



# **Environment - Efficiency as a success factor**

#### Selection of non-financial performance indicators in 2018

#### **Raw Material**

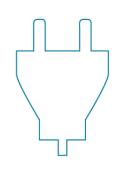


Silicon yield improved by

1%

vs. 2017

#### **Energy**



Energy consumption per wafer area decreased by

3 %

vs. 2017

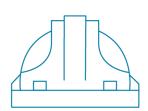
### Recycling



The share of returnable packaging per wafer area was

32 %

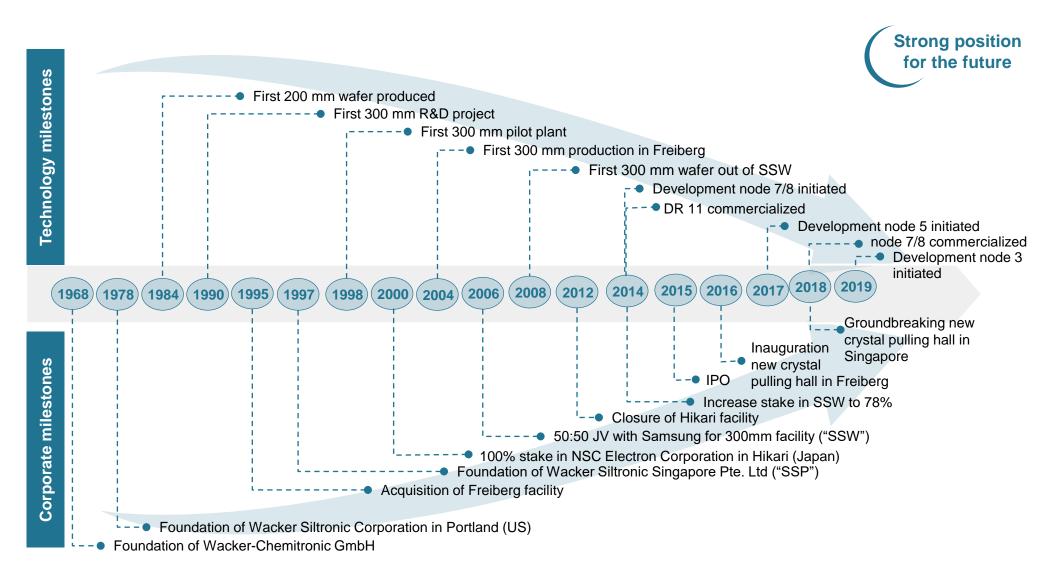
### **Occupational Safety**



The number of accidents at work per 1 million hours worked was

1.9

# History of technology innovation and cost optimization ideally positions Siltronic for future success



Source: Company information



# Siltronic strategy - capitalize on market opportunities while focusing on 300 mm & technological leadership

# Optimize returns, stay ahead in technology and grow with the market

#### **Strategic Focus**

**Grow** with the market

Ensure technology & quality leadership

Improve financial performance & cash flow

cost reduction roadmaps & debottlenecking concepts

We continuously increase the value for our stakeholders by providing best-in-class wafers at competitive costs.

### **Investment Highlights – Siltronic Strengths**

Market position Strong market position in the semiconductor and wafer industry Strategy Technology and quality leadership Customers Supplier to all top 20 silicon wafer consumers **Financials** Profitability increase and on-going efficiency improvement **Products** High-quality wafers made of hyperpure silicon Management Experienced management team and highly skilled workforce



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