## NNF Users Meeting, Fall 2018

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## New equipment update

- Raith EBL
  - Capable of feature sizes down to 20nm
  - Can also be used for imaging
- Rite Track spin coater
  - Automated spinning and baking of up to 6" wafers
- Annealsys rapid thermal processor
  - –Up to 1300°C; vacuum and O<sub>2</sub> atmosphere available
- BCl<sub>3</sub> line installed on Plasmalab 100 etcher
  - -Will be available once lab re-opens
- YES Oven
  - -HMDS primer and vacuum bakes
  - -Image reversal currently being verified





#### Next round of tools – this fall/winter

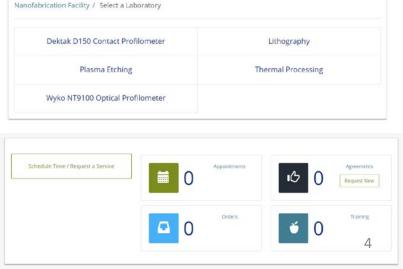
- Solvent Spray Tool
  - -Ideal for liftoff
- Brush cleaner
  - –Can be used for mask cleaning
- Ocean Optics spectrometer
  - -Plasma diagnostics
- DAD 323 Dicing saw
  - -Will be in the old HF hood location
- Room 106
  - -Majority of NNF coursework will be moved to this room
  - -Can also serve as backup for critical processes in main cleanroom
  - -PECVD capabilities will be available to users (SiO<sub>2</sub>, Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>)



#### **EUTS** → **Mendix**

- NNF will be transitioning away from the online EUTS system later this year
- The new system (Mendix) will be live January 2, 2019
  - -Similar to the system currently used by other University Core Facilities (e.g., AIF)
  - –A user training session will be held in December to explain changes in reservations, log-in/out. etc.





## **Equipment Training procedure**

- 1. Select which tool you will need training on. Only request training on a system needed for your process.
- 2. Send an email to appropriate staff member requesting training on the tool.
- 3. Agree upon a time for your training. Verify the tool is available and set up a reservation in EUTS/Mendix for that time.
- 4. Send a Google Calendar Invite to the trainer to mark the appointment on your calendar.
- 5. Please show up on time! Trainer will meet you at the tool.

Any problems/issues/questions - please email me at pbarlet@ncsu.edu

## Reminder of Proper Gowning Procedure

- 1. Hair net
- 2. Face mask
- 3. Gloves (1st pair)
- 4. Hood
- 5. Gown
- 6. Shoes
- 7. Clean safety glasses
- 8. Gloves (2<sup>nd</sup> pair)

## **Undergraduate Hires**



Jake Gibson



Carmen Procida



Sam Casciani

- NNF will have three undergraduate students helping out in the 2018-2109 academic year
- Welcome Jake, Carmen, and Sam!



# Carolina Science Symposium

**November 9, 2018** 

NC State University, Raleigh, NC Abstract Deadline Nov 2, 2018



- Please consider submitting an abstract to the Carolina Science Symposium
  - -Held at McKimmon Center On November 9, 2018
  - -NNF is offered a \$250 award to the best poster that references the facility

## Other Announcements (1)

- Green CVD tool in the process of being disassembled
  - -Phosphine and diborane lines have been removed
  - -Cryopump and chamber to be removed in next two weeks
- MRC 245 (old second floor breakroom) being converted to student/industry touch-down space
- MRC 127 being outfitted with electrostatic tile in preparation of establishing electronics testing lab
- Please respect 8pm closing time of the facility
  - -No users will be granted access after 7:30pm
  - -Those already in facility will be allowed to wrap up their work
- RTNN Ambassadors student program is in the works
  - Volunteer program for interacting with nanotech researchers, companies, etc.

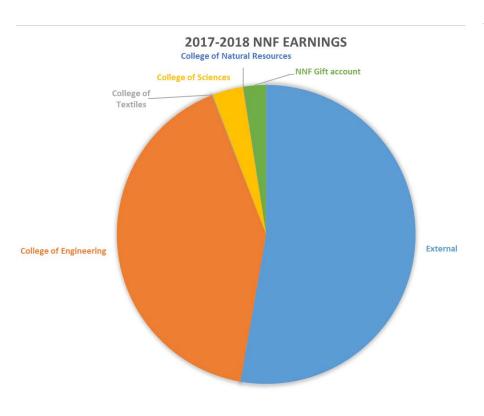
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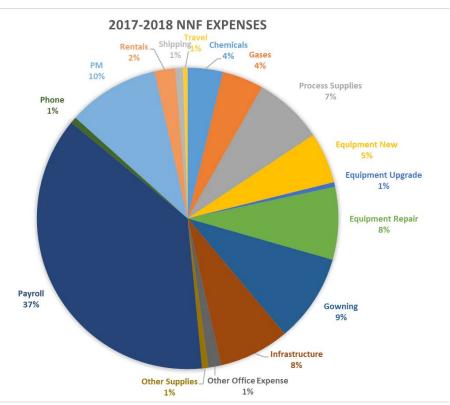
- NNF has submitted two PowerAmerica Concept Papers
  - One for SiC process block development with X-Fab, one for PA short course development
  - Goal is for NNF to develop competency in SiC power device processing
- NNF is also involved with discussions of NSF Q-AMASE-i effort
  - Optical deposition system and low-temperature electronics testing
- NCSU has selected Omer Oralkan/NNF's MRI preproposal for a wafer bonder for submission to NSF
  - Full proposal due to NSF January 2019
- Appointment as Graduate School Affiliate Faculty
  - Please speak to me if you'd like me to serve on your committee

#### A word on NNF Financials...

- NNF operates financially on a "low-level 3 account," which means it must have a zero-balance at the end of the fiscal year (June 30)
- This means that more revenue that NNF generates, the more we will have available to spend on tools, repairs, labs supplies, etc.
- Also, more efficient use of the chemicals, supplies, tools, staff time. will leads to more expendable dollars for us to aid you in your research
- By helping us save money in equipment repair and chemical consumption, you are helping <u>yourself</u> get more supplies and capabilities in NNF!

#### NNF Financial Data for FY 2017-2018





Example: NNF earned ~\$323k in FY 2017-2018...

...which means we could spend no more than \$323k in supplies and equipment

#### **Gentle Reminder**

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#### **Concerns/Questions from users?**

