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GaN/Si MMIC process for mmW applications

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Founded by Philips Semiconductors



OMMIC : French & independent III/V MMIC foundry



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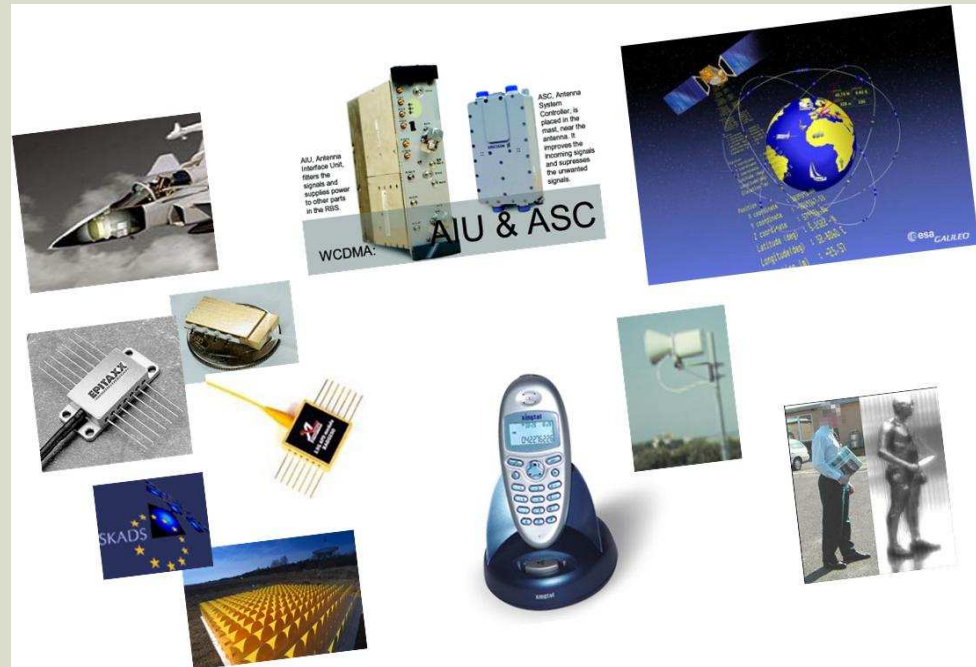
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Strategy



• Offer High added value , Unique III/V MMIC solutions to complement Si solutions up to 400GHz for the following professional markets :

- ⊕ Aviation
- ⊕ Cellular Infrastructure
- ⊕ Space
- ⊕ Defence
- ⊕ Security
- ⊕ Automotive
- ⊕ Optical fiber
- ⊕ Instrumentation
- ⊕ Radio astronomy



• Offer foundry services based on long term partnership

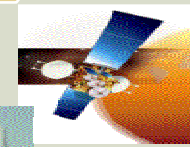
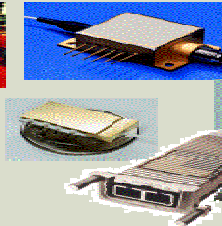
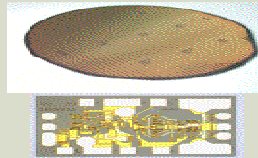
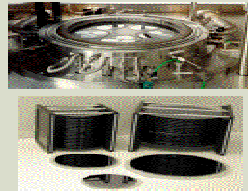


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Value chain and FAB+ services



- Epitaxial growth
- Process development
- Custom MMIC design
- Foundry service and MPW
- MMIC Production
- Packaging
- Modules with MC2
- HiRel Test & Qualification



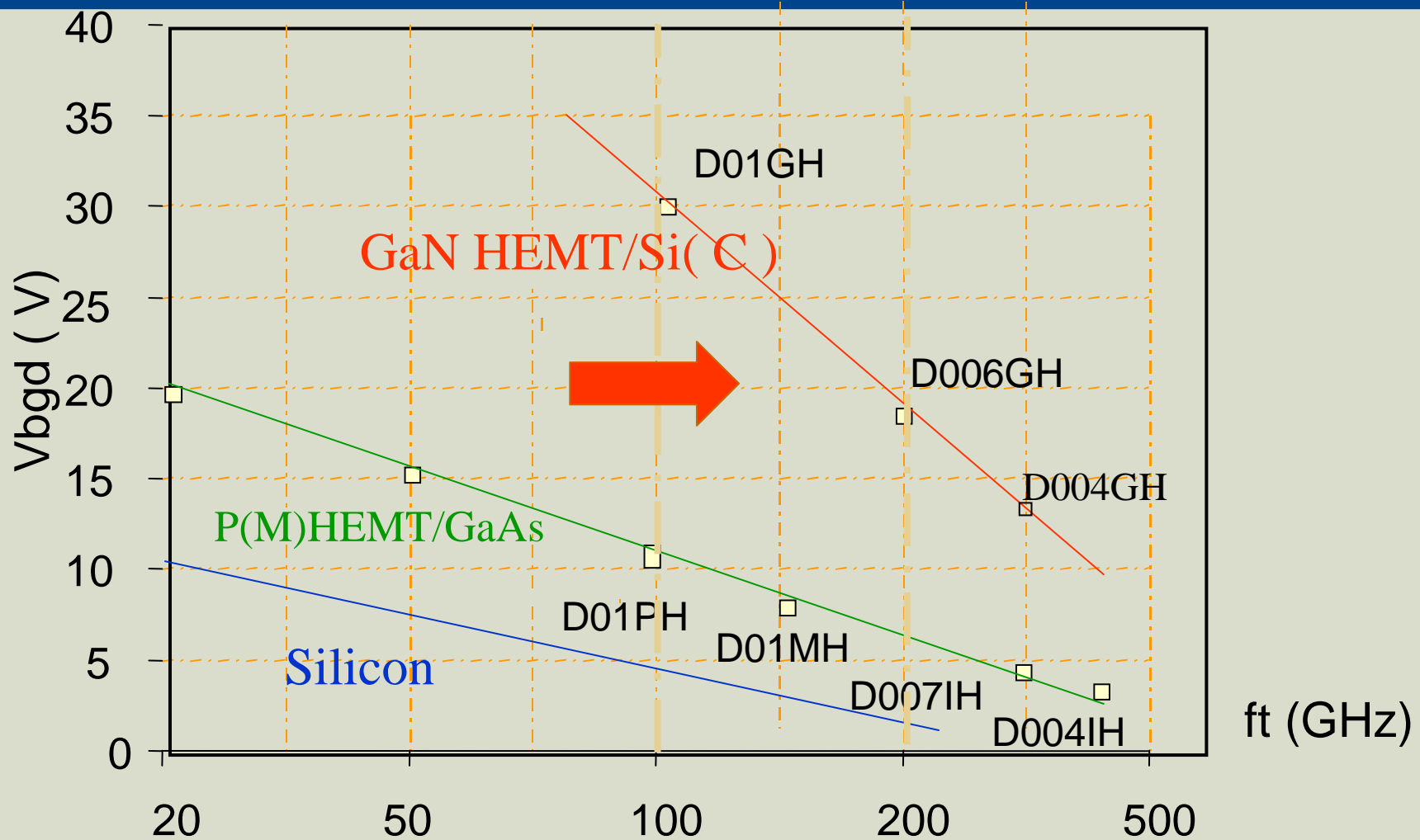


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Process Roadmaps





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D01GH

**100nm GaN/Si process
For mmW MMICs**





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GaN processes and applications

Power electronics :

Replacement of Si solutions Si to improve the DC efficiency of DC power converters

- ◆ Switching Transistors
- ◆ Schottky Diodes

RF Transistors and MMICs

- ◆ 0.5 μm and 0.25 μm HEMTs to replace high power LDMOS (> 100W)
- ◆ **100nm et 60nm GaN HEMTs to replace GaAs PHEMTs thanks to higher breakdown voltage and even better NF and gain :**

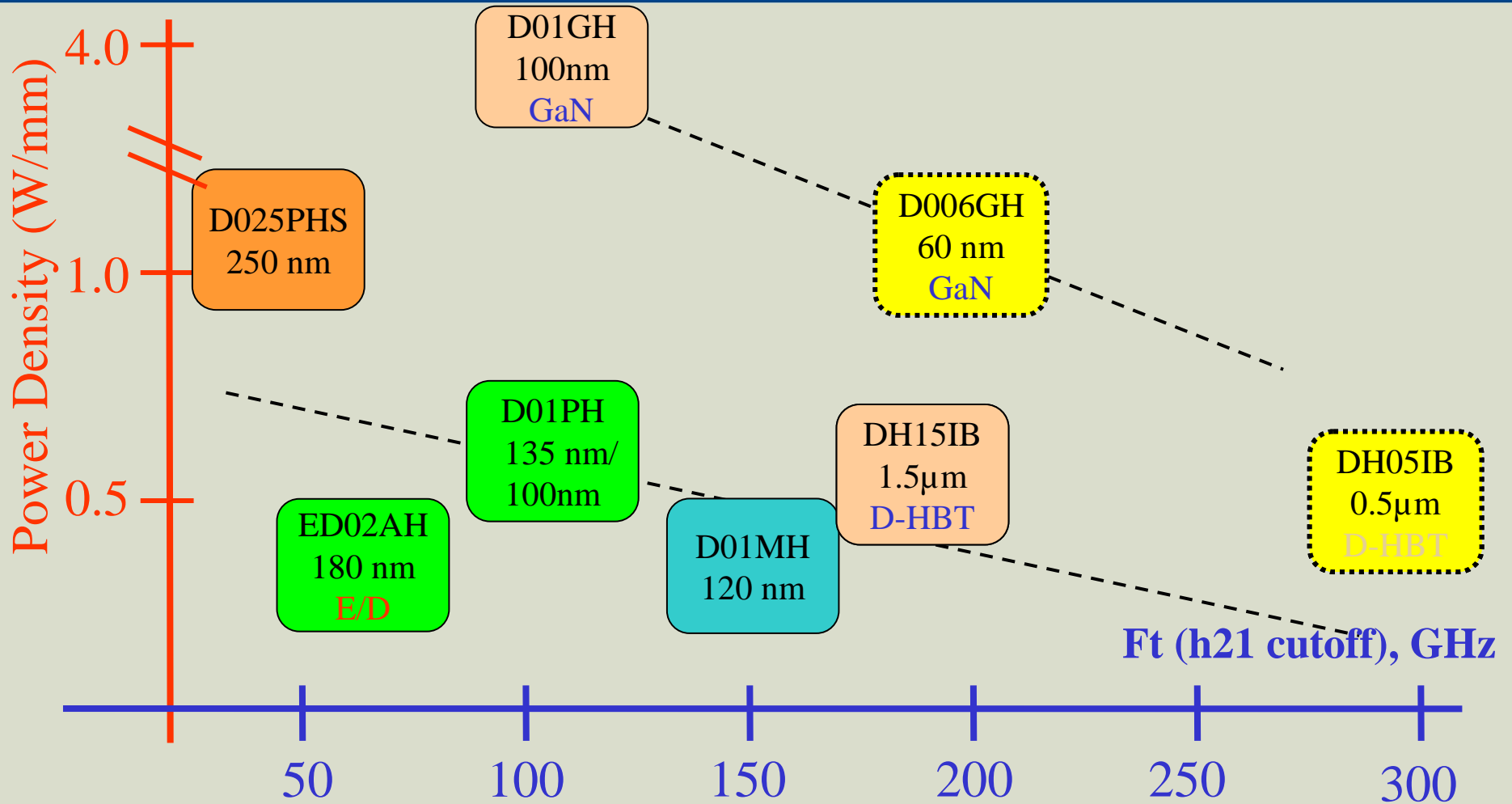


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Power density/process



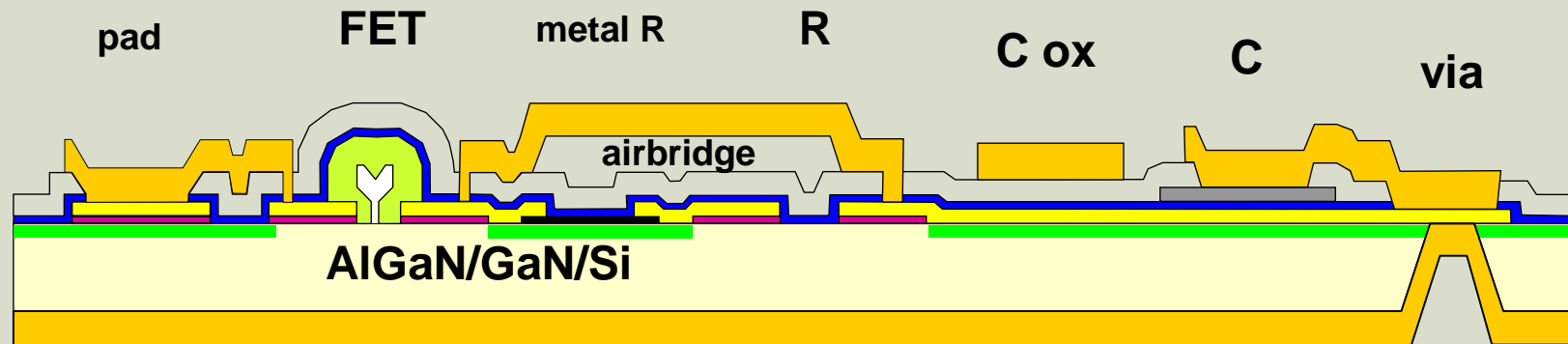


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D01GH : MMIC « PROCESS FLOW «





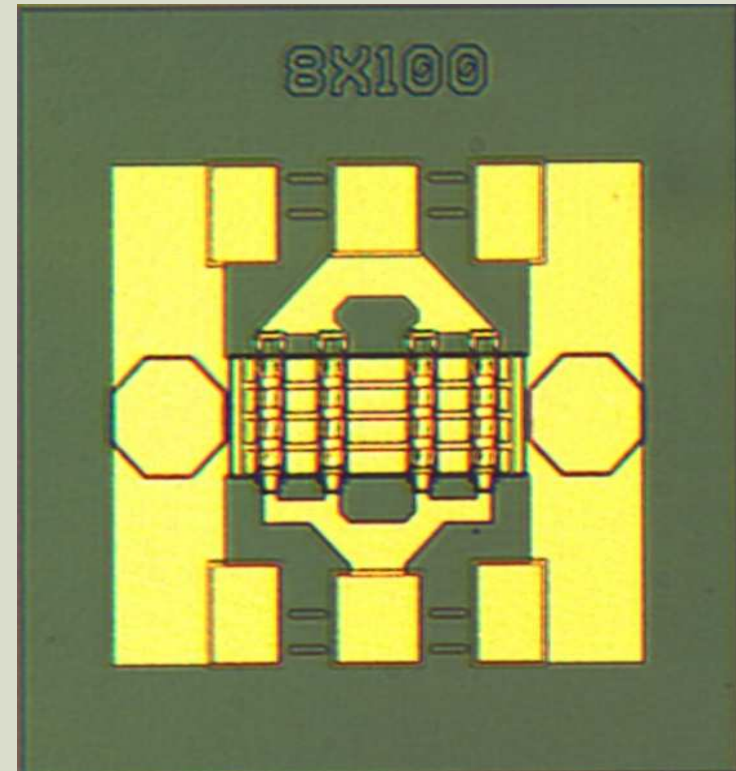
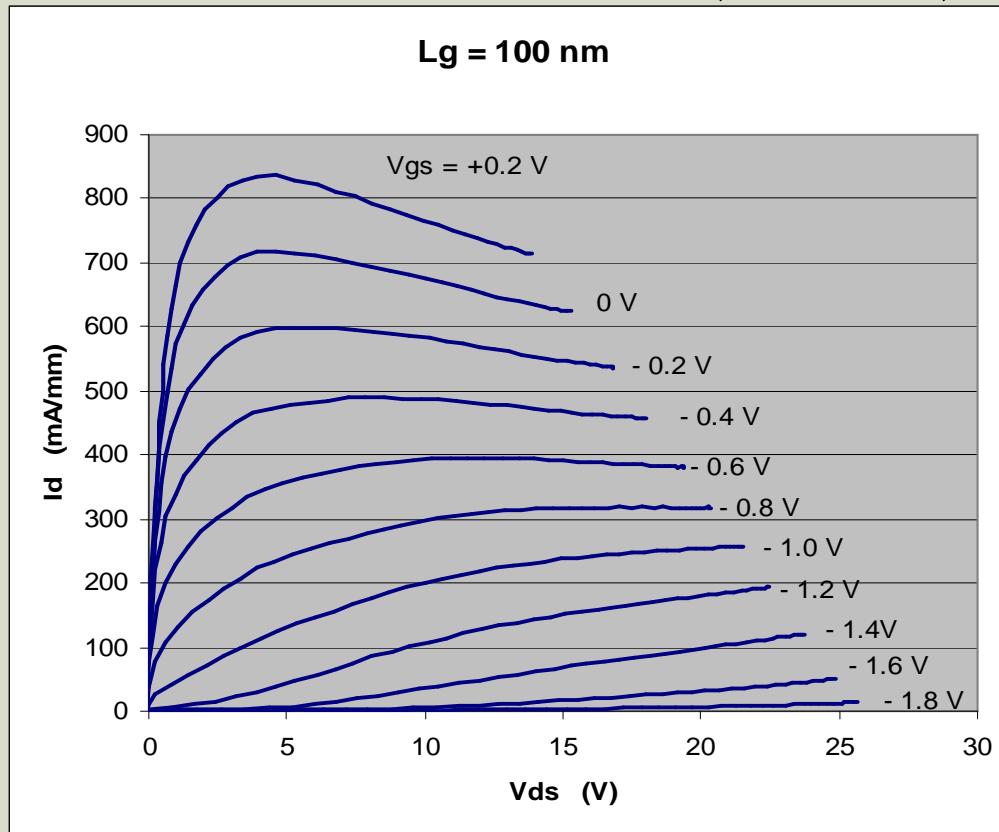
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D01GH : I/V curves

$G_m \text{ max} = 650 \text{ mS/mm}$; $R_{on} = 0,8 \text{ ohms *mm}$



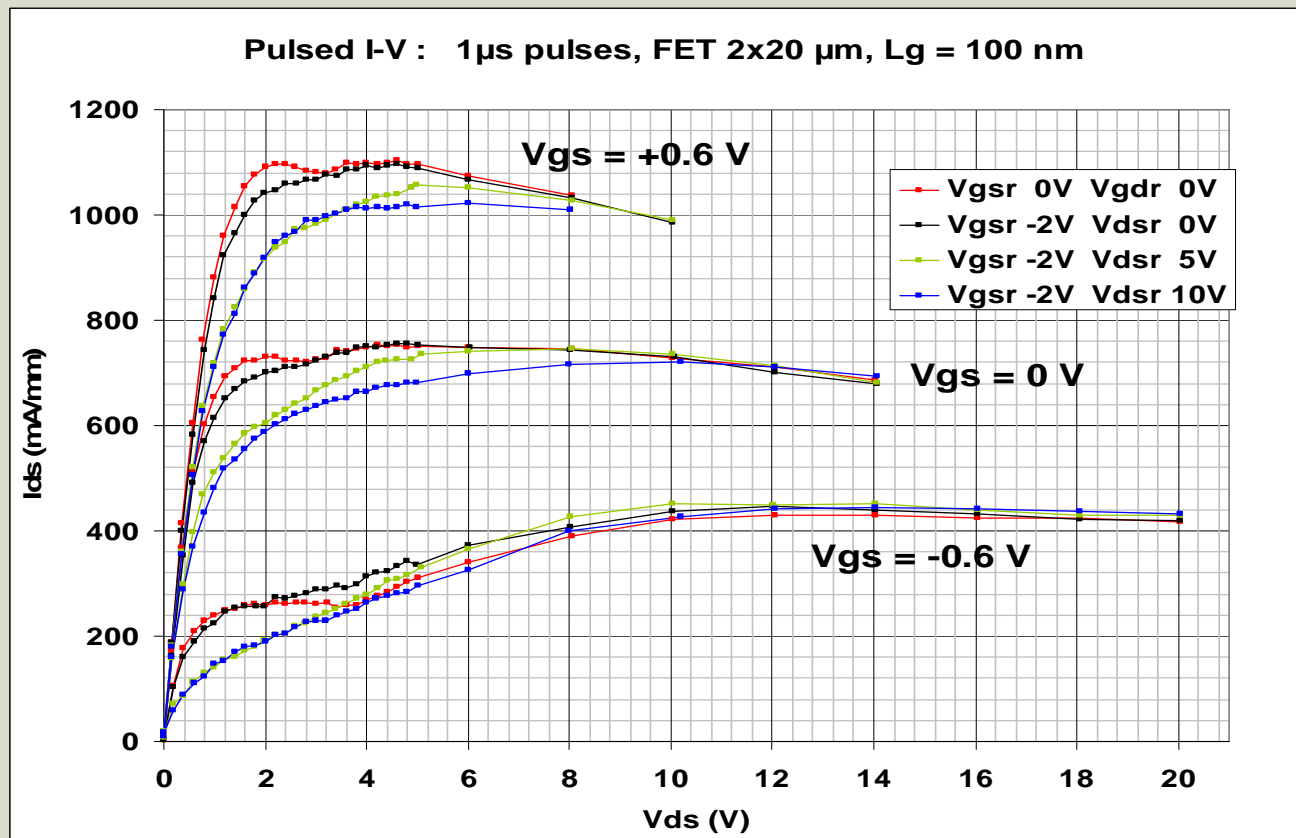


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Pulsed IV curves





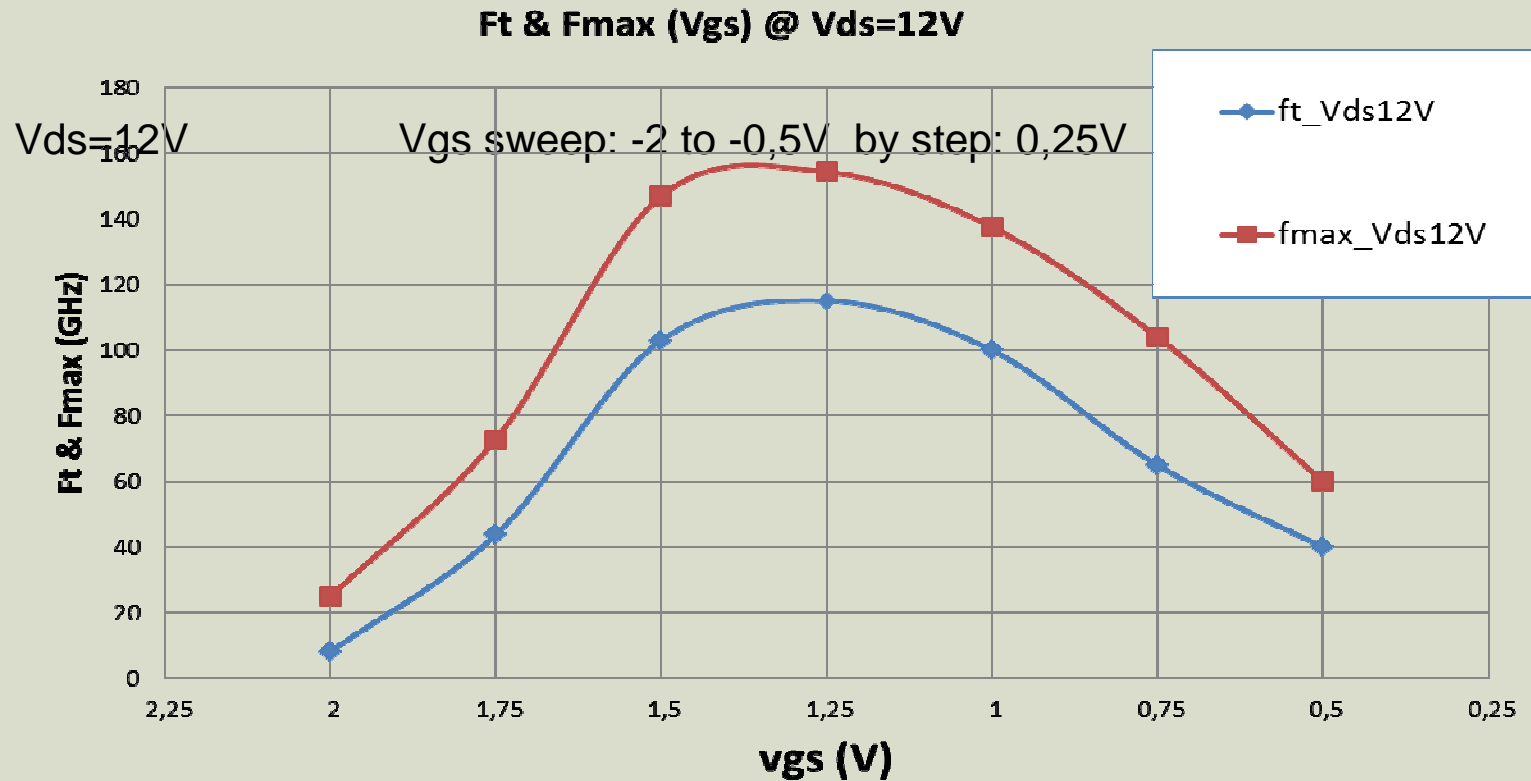
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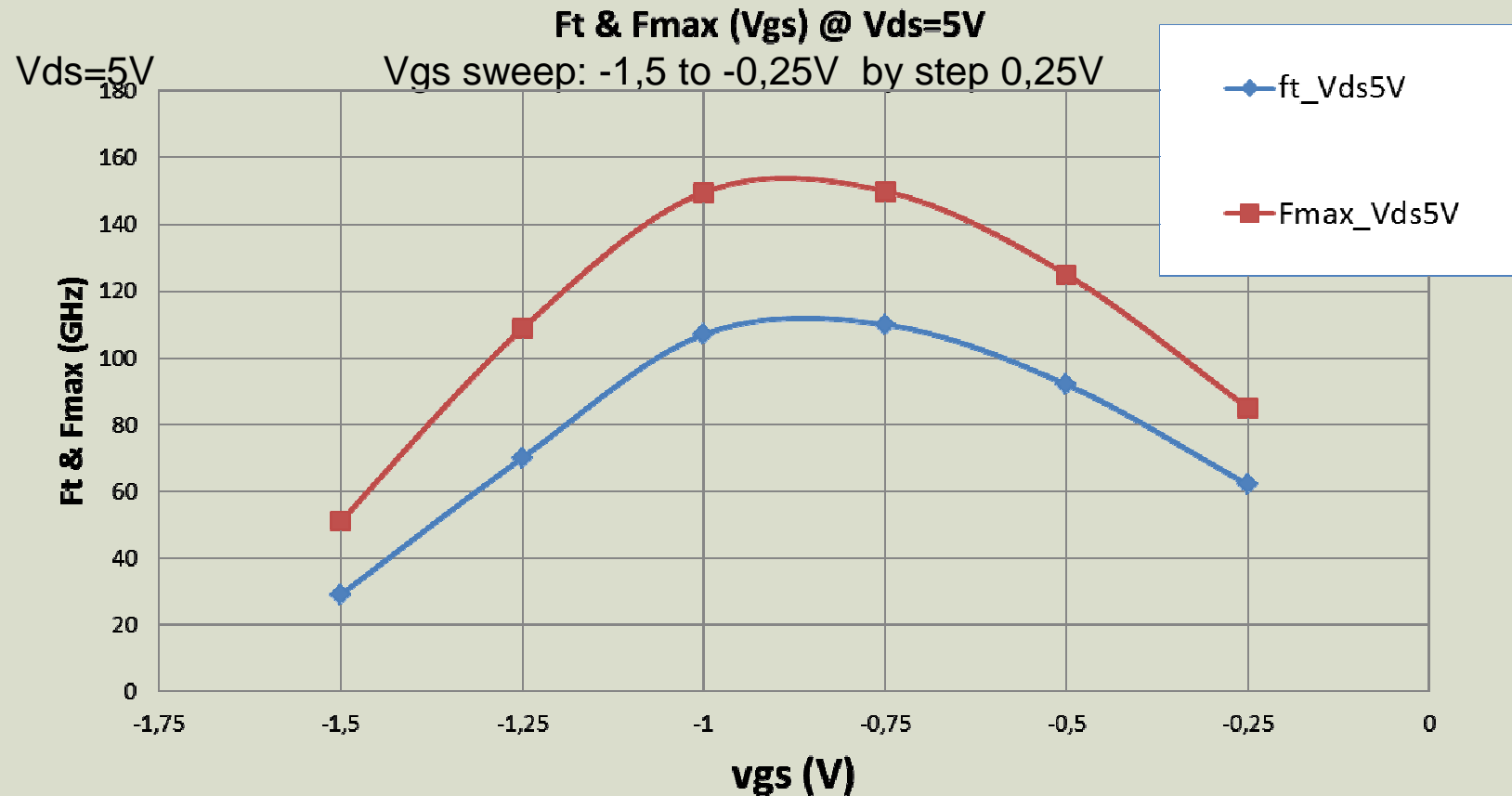
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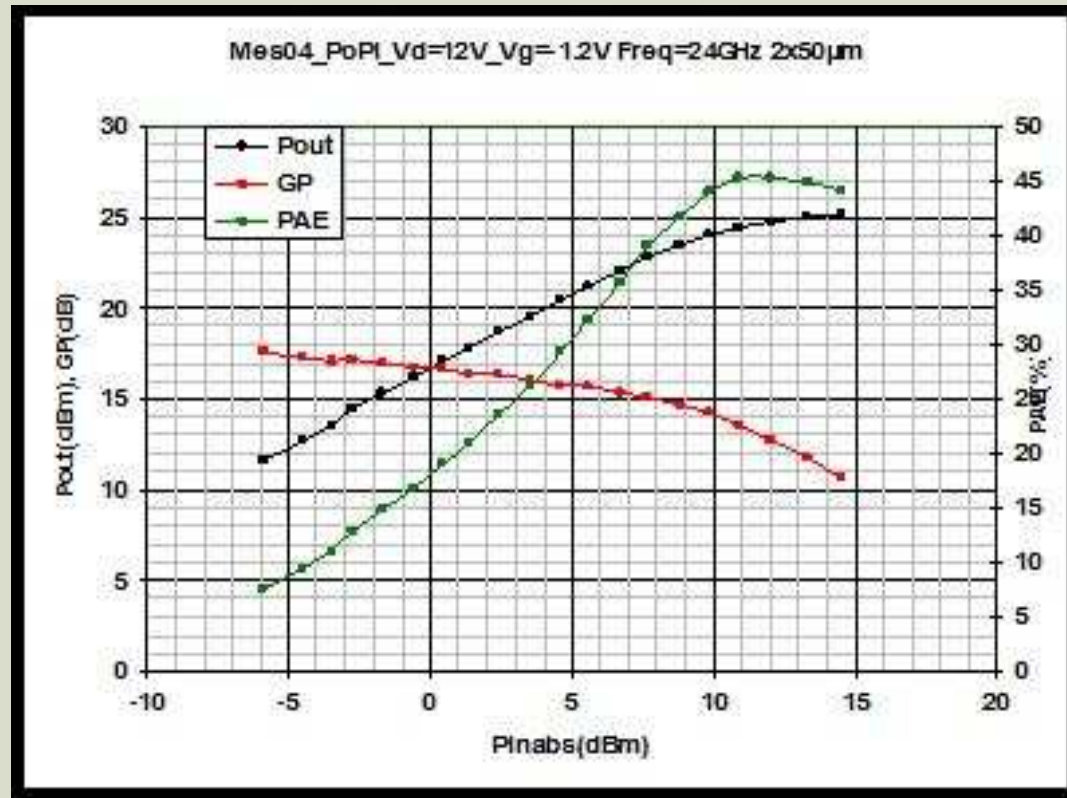
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Loadpull results at 24GHz

2*50 μ m
12V
3.5W/mm
17dB gain
24GHz
46%PAE
CW



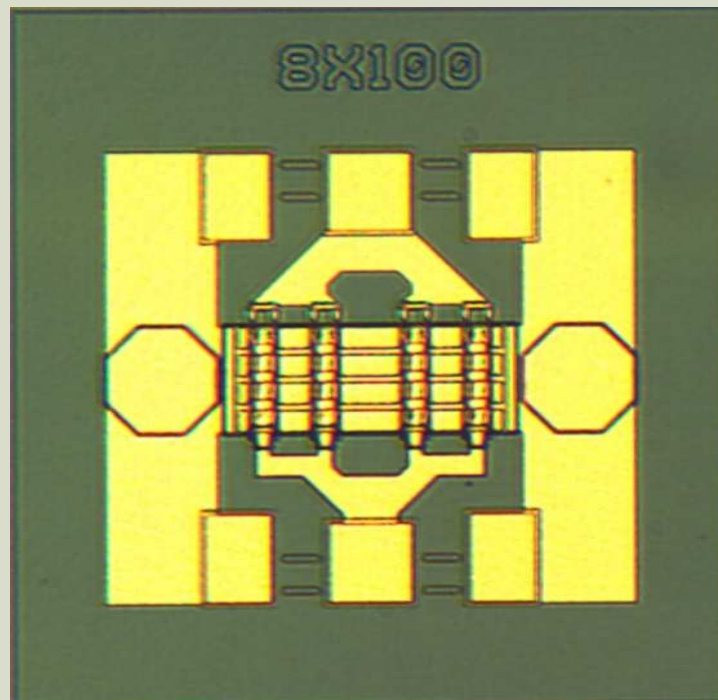
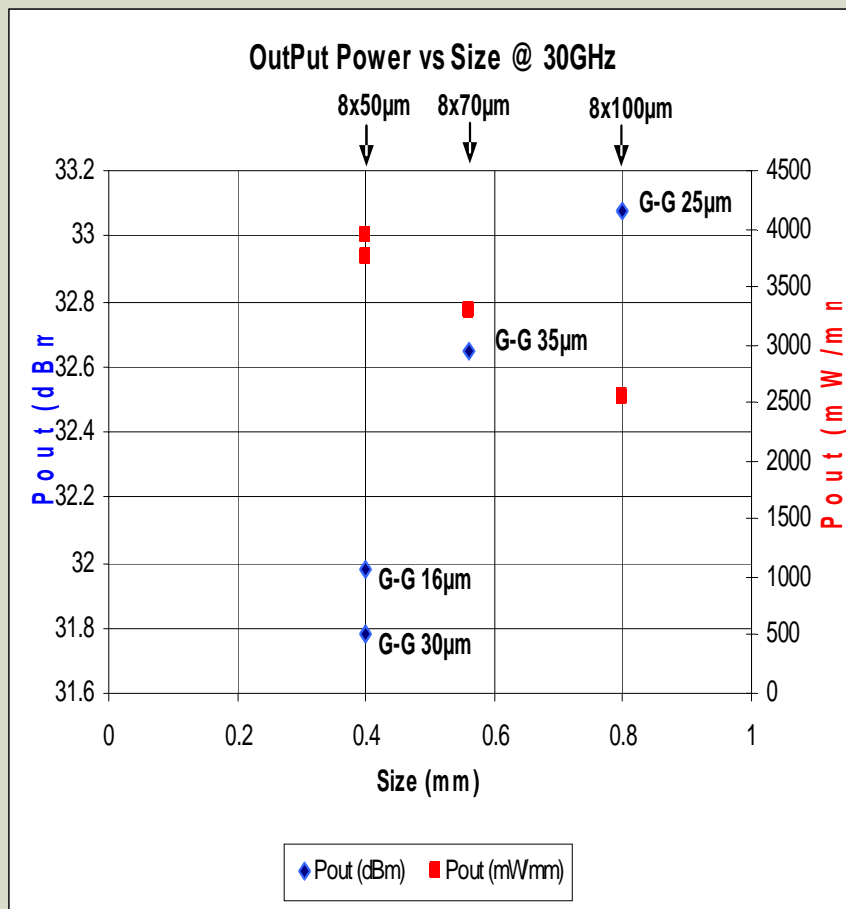


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D01GH mini power bars at 30GHz





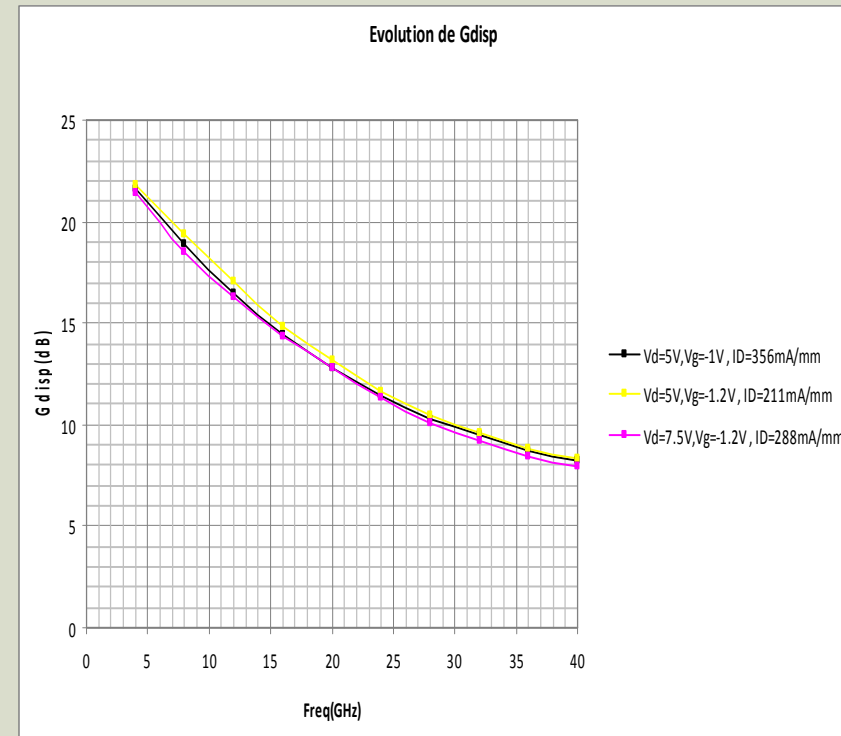
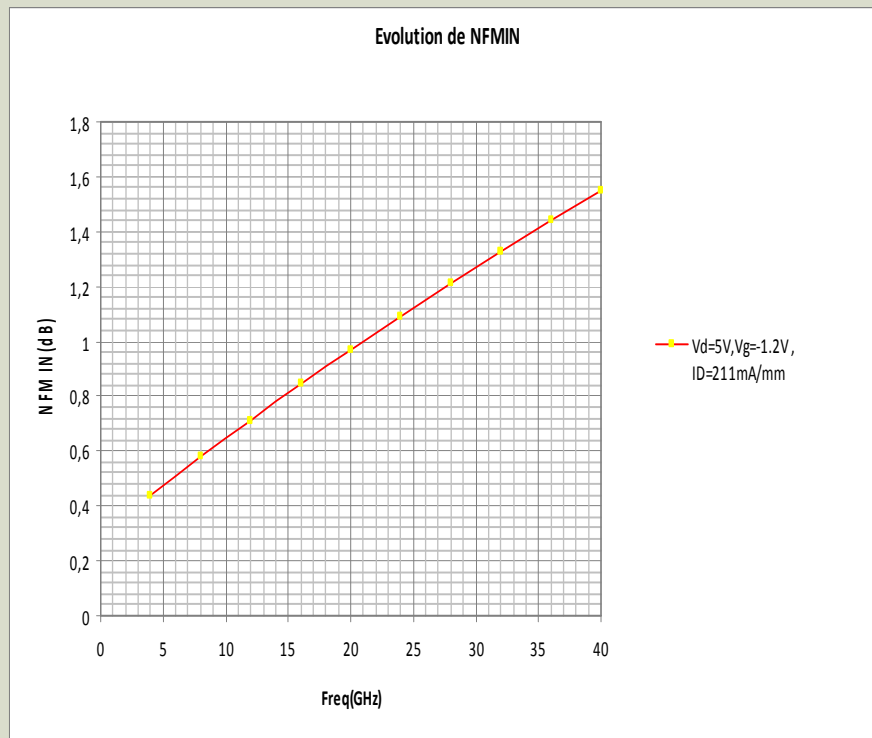
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Measured NF min and associated gain

4*50 μ m , 40GHz , 5V, 42mA, NF =1, 54 dB, 8dB Associated gain





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Measured NF min and associated gain at 40GHz

4*50μm	D01PH (135nm GaAs PHEMT)	D01GH (100nm GaN/Si HEMT)	D01MH (120nm GaAs MHEMT)
Vds (Volt)	3V	5V	1V
Ids(mA)	15	42	30mA
Rs(Ohm)	1,0	1,2	0,8
Rg(Ohm)	0,65	0,70	0,7
NFmin	1.72 dB	1.54 dB	1,13 dB
Associated gain	4.5 dB	8 dB	12,4dB

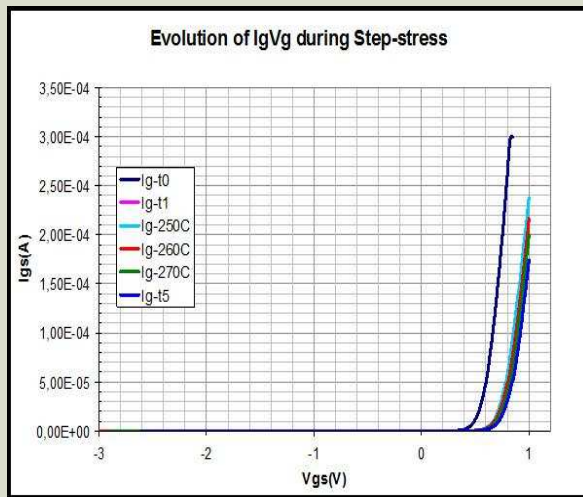


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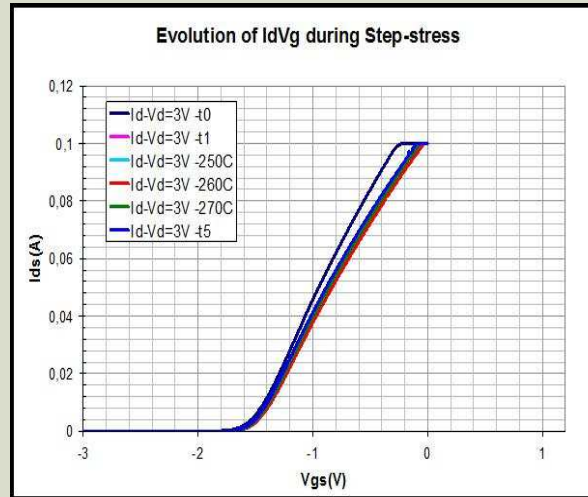
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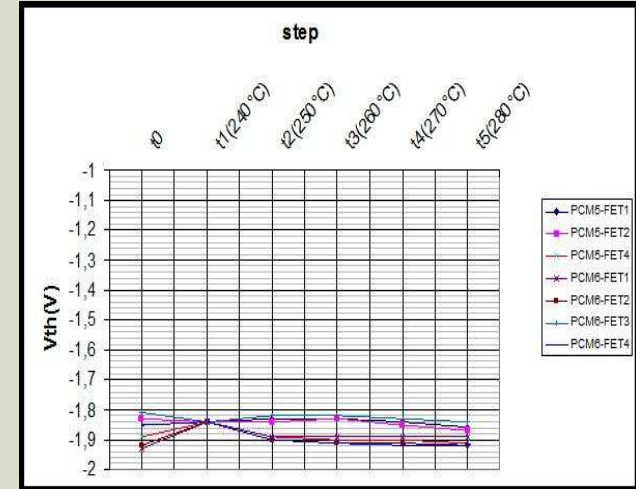
DC « Step stress » results



$I_G(V_{gs})$



$I_D(V_{gs})$



V_{th}

250C, 270C, 280C, 1000h (no drift after burn-in)



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D01GH :specifications and RF performances

- ▶ $I_{dss} (0V) = 650 \text{ mA/mm}$
- ▶ $V_t = -1.6V$, $G_m \text{ max ext} = 650 \text{ mS/mm}$
- ▶ $F_t = 115 \text{ GHz}$, $F_{max} = 155 \text{ GHz}$ @ up to $V_{ds} = 12 \text{ V}$
- ▶ $MSG(2 \times 50\mu\text{m}) = 14 \text{ dB}$ @ 30 GHz
- ▶ $V_{bgd \text{ min}} = 30V$, typical = $40V$ ($V_{ds \text{ max}} = 25V$)
- ▶ $V_{dd} = 12V$
- ▶ $P_{sat} > 3.5 \text{ W/mm}$ at 24 GHz ($V_{ds} = 12V$)
- ▶ $NF_{min} (30GHz) : 1.3 \text{ dB}$



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D01GH design kit

Important Notice

Your contact points

Maximum Ratings

Thermal calculations

Data Files

Summary of Changes

Working with the Foundry

Processing

PCM and guarantees

General Layout considerations

Layout example Library

C.A.D. libraries

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Conclusions

- **End of 2014, project,,OMMIC opened its GaN/Si foundry service based on the 100nm D01GH process up to 50GHz**
- **Customer foundry runs:**
 - **May 2015**
 - **June 2015**
 - **September 2015**
- **This process is a full replacement of D01PH**