




MASK ALIGNER
MODEL: Neutronix PLA-545 **SN:** 042017-168
MANUFACTURED DATE: April 2007
POWER: 208VAC, 60Hz, 3 Phases, 10A, 4 Wires
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Canon's Various models of Proximity Mask Aligner



Only Canon Offers such a Wide Range of Mask Aligners Stepper, Proximity/Contact, Mirror Projection

Needless to say, in the age of mass production of VLSIs, not only printing performance but also the improvement of throughput and cost reduction are necessary attributes of a Mask Aligner. Canon, which has virtually written the history of the world's mask aligners with its unique design and high reliability, finally in 1983, creates a series of mask aligners unrivaled by any other manufacturer; filling each and every need of today's, and tomorrow's, market.

The Stepper, the Proximity and the Mirror Projection types: three different mask aligners to serve every need.

The stepper series is represented by the newly developed mask aligner model FPA-1500FA. This model resolves linewidth to 1 micron and is designed to obtain high throughput for mass production of VLSIs.

In the proximity series, the PLA-501FA established the basic technology in 1974 and has been manufactured in the greatest numbers, and continues to gain widespread use throughout the world. We take pride in its stable performance record. For even higher printing performance, there is the PLA-521FA, with its use of Deep-UV light and 0.5 micron resolution.

The MPA-500FA is offered as a mirror projection mask aligner. This model exposes entire 5-inch wafers by scanning and is designed especially for full-scale mass production of VLSIs.

As mentioned above, the merit of Canon's Mask Aligner series is that from among the wide range of mask aligners, the one specifically tailored to the production process or purpose of semiconductors can be chosen.

In addition, mix and match use of the Stepper, Proximity and Mirror Projection type aligners will help upgrade the production efficiency of the semiconductor industry.

PLA-501F/FA

Proximity Mask Aligner



- **1.5 μ m Line Resolution — Proximity Mask Aligner with Longest in Production**

FEATURES

1. Handles wafers of up to 5 inches in diameter.
2. Proximity and contact printing capability
Three types of printing; hard contact, soft contact and proximity can be selected by simply changing proximity gap or contact pressure.
3. A special illumination system which minimizes diffraction phenomenon and assures high resolution printing.
4. Alignment scope with high working efficiency
5. A highly reliable auto feed system

SPECIFICATIONS

- Photomask size: 12-1/2" - 16"
Wafer size: ϕ 2" - ϕ 5"
Resolution: Contact mode
 Negative resist 2 μ m
 Positive resist 1.5 μ m
Illuminator: Uniformity \pm 3% (with 250W mercury lamp)
 Exposure time is set by light integrator
Printing method: Proximity and contact modes
Printing wavelength: g-line (436nm)
 h-line (405nm)
 i-line (365nm)
Auto alignment accuracy: \pm 0.5 μ m (2 sigma)
Auto alignment time: 10 sec.
Cycling time: Approx. 30 sec. (with 10 sec. alignment time and 1 sec. exposure time)
Dimensions: Main unit: 940 (W) \times 800 (D) \times 724 (H) mm
 (37.0" \times 31.5" \times 28.5")
Main unit on special table: 1100 (W) \times 820 (D) \times 1344 (H) mm
 (43.3" \times 32.3" \times 52.9")
Weight: PLA-501FA 225 kg (496 lbs.) (on special table)
 PLA-501F 210 kg (462 lbs.) (on special table)

PLA-521F/FA

Proximity Mask Aligner



- **0.5 μ m Line Resolution**

FEATURES

1. Printing of wafers up to 5"
2. Proximity and contact printing capability
Three printing methods; proximity, soft contact and hard contact methods can be selected.
3. High quality printing
Use of Deep-UV light (wavelength of 200nm to 270nm) and PMMA results in a linewidth resolution of 0.5 μ m with contact printing.
4. Alignment scope with high working efficiency
5. Uniform exposure owing to light integrator

Deep-UV Printing

SPECIFICATIONS

- Photomask size: 2-1/2" - 6"
Wafer size: ϕ 2" - ϕ 5"
Resolution: Contact mode 0.5 μ m
Proximity mode with 20 μ m gap 2 μ m
Illuminator: Uniformity \pm 5% (500W Xe-Hg lamp)
Exposure time is set by light integrator
Printing method: Proximity and contact modes
Auto alignment accuracy: \pm 0.5 μ m (2 sigma)
Dimensions: Main unit 940 (W) \times 800 (D) \times 724 (H) mm
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FPA-1500FA

Fine Pattern Projection Mask Aligner



- 1 μm Line Resolution Newly Developed High Volume

1/5 Stepper

FEATURES

1. TTL ON AXIS Auto alignment method
Both the reticle and the wafer patterns are aligned through the lens accurately and automatically with each step. This auto alignment method permits the combined use of other aligners, especially the MPA-500FA. Auto alignment patterns are simple and small enough to be placed within the scribe lines, and even the patterns on rough aluminum surfaces can be auto aligned with a high degree of accuracy.
2. High throughput
The development of the large field, high resolution projection lens has resulted in fine pattern printing with high throughput.
3. Temperature control is allowed at $23^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$
Installation condition is allowed at $23^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$ owing to the adoption of the TTL ON AXIS auto alignment method. No special environmental chamber is required.
4. Wafer prealignment by TV monitor has been employed to obtain high prealignment accuracy.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Wafer size: Max. $\phi 6"$
Reticle size: $\square 5", 0.09"$
Reduction ratio: 1/5x
Numerical aperture: 0.35
Field size: $\square 14\text{mm}$
Resolution: 1 μm
Auto alignment accuracy: 0.2 μm (2 sigma)
Throughput: 50 w.p.h. ($\phi 4"$ wafer)
Temperature: $23^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$
Dimensions: Main unit: 1340 (W) \times 1170 (D) \times 1900 (H) mm
(52.8" \times 46.1" \times 74.8")
Control box: 650 (W) \times 1350 (D) \times 1600 (H) mm
(25.6" \times 53.1" \times 63.0")
Weight: Main unit 1400 kg (3087 lbs.)
Control box 200 kg (441 lbs.)

MPA-500FA

Mirror Projection Mask Aligner



- **1.5 μ m Line Resolution**

5" Mass Production Type Mask Aligner for VLSIs

FEATURES

1. Higher resolution and greater depth of focus
The original reflective optical system achieves better resolution, 1.5 μ m, and a greater depth of focus, $\pm 6\mu$ m. The adoption of a deep-UV light source offers a resolvable linewidth of 1 μ m.
2. Full exposure of 5-inch wafers by scanning slit
Full exposure over an entire 5-inch wafer by a single scan increases productivity of mass produced VLSI chips, greatly reducing production costs.
3. High luminance illuminator reduces exposure time
4. Pneumatic distortion control (PDC)
Distortion problems are resolved by the implementation of the PDC, and alignment accuracy significantly improved.
5. Automatic alignment by laser beam scanning

SPECIFICATIONS

- Photomask size: 14" - 16"
Wafer size: $\phi 3" - \phi 5"$
Projection optical system: Magnification 1:1
Effective F-No. Fe3.5
Resolution 1.5 μ m
Depth of focus $\pm 6\mu$ m when resolution is 1.5 μ m
Light uniformity: $\pm 3\%$ (with 2 kW super-high-pressure mercury lamp)
Distortion: $\pm 0.25\mu$ m/4" wafer
Auto alignment accuracy: $\pm 0.4\mu$ m (2 sigma)
Auto alignment time: 7 sec. (averaged)
Cycling time: 21 sec. + alignment time + exposure time
Dimensions: Main unit 1430 (W) \times 1230 (D) \times 1765 (H) mm
(56.3" \times 48.4" \times 69.5")
Mercury lamp power supply box 380 (W) \times 850 (D) \times 500 (H) mm (15.0" \times 33.5" \times 19.7")
Weight: Main unit 1200 kg (2646 lbs.) (including control box)
Mercury lamp power supply box 120 kg (264.6 lbs.)

FPA-141/143/F

Fine Pattern Projection Mask Aligner



- Submicron Resolution

FEATURES

1. High-resolution lens
Thanks to Canon's U lens (90mm 1:1.4 M=1/4), a high resolution of $0.8\mu\text{m}$ linewidth is obtainable.
2. Improved image quality by g- and h-line exposure
Both g-line and h-line are used for exposure to minimize standing wave effect and improve image quality.
3. Speedy exposure
The effective image format is 14mm in diameter and exposure time is around 2.5 seconds.
4. Less alignment time
5. Advantageous non-contact projection
Higher yield can be obtained because defects in photoresist patterns on the wafers are minimized thanks to the mask being separated from the wafer.

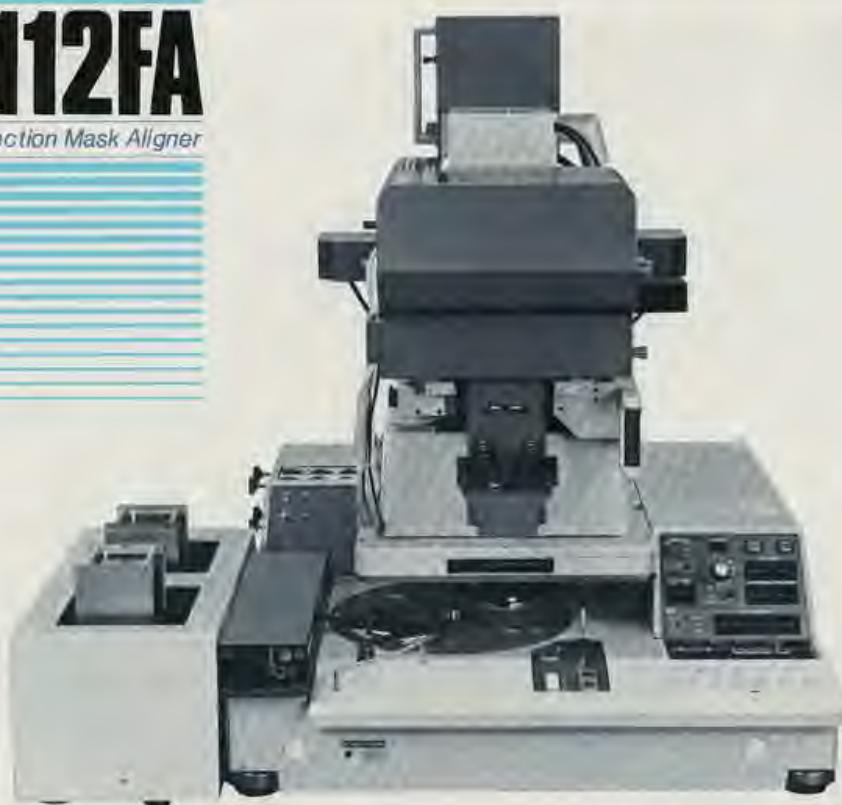
With 1/4 Reduction Lens

SPECIFICATIONS

- Photomask size: $\phi 2"$ — $\phi 2\frac{1}{2}"$
Wafer size: $\phi 2"$ — $\phi 3"$
Resolution: $0.8\mu\text{m}$
Projection optics: Magnification 1/4
Effective image format: $\phi 14\text{mm}$
Light uniformity: $\pm 3.5\%$
Printing wavelength: g-line (436nm) and h-line (405nm)
Image surface illumination: $64000\mu\text{W/cm}^2$
Prealignment accuracy: Less than $\pm 0.15\text{mm}$
Step-and-repeat mechanism: Ball screw drive system with stepping motor
FPA-141F: 1, 4 and 9 steps changeable
FPA-143: 9, 16 and 25 steps changeable
Step accuracy: Repeatability $\pm 2\mu\text{m}$
Absolute accuracy $\pm 8\mu\text{m}$
Dimensions: Main unit: 940 (W) \times 790 (D) \times 974 (H) mm
(37.0" \times 31.1" \times 38.3")
Control box: 382 (W) \times 900 (D) \times 575 (H) mm
(15.0" \times 35.4" \times 22.6")
Weight: Main unit: 170 kg (374.9 lbs.)
Control box: 65 kg (143.3 lbs.)

FPA-112FA

Fine Pattern Projection Mask Aligner



- **1.4 μ m Line Resolution with Auto Align**

FEATURES

1. Auto alignment system with laser beam scanning
2. Printing of wafers up to 4 inches in diameter
3. Better alignment accuracy
With the adoption of a step exposure system in which the wafer is aligned at every step, the influence of expansion and/or shrinking due to in-plane distortion of the wafer is reduced.
4. Less repeating defects
The FPA-112FA with a field size of 22mm \times 22mm requires only 14 steps to cover a 4-inch wafer. Repeating reticle defects are far fewer than with 10:1 systems in which a field of 10mm \times 10mm requires about 80 steps to cover a 4-inch wafer.
5. Test pattern insertion does not result in a loss of throughput, thanks to reticle shift mechanism.

1/1 Projection Stepper

SPECIFICATIONS

- Photomask size: 12" x 12"
Wafer size: ϕ 3" – ϕ 4"
Printing wavelength: g-line (436nm) and h-line (405nm)
Projection lens: Magnification 1x
Resolution: 1.4 μ m with 14mm \times 14mm field
1.6 μ m with 22mm \times 22mm field
Light uniformity: \pm 3.5%
Alignment accuracy: \pm 0.3 μ m (2 sigma)
Auto alignment time: Approx. 3 sec./alignment
Step mechanism: 1, 4, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 18 or 23 steps changeable
Step accuracy: Repeatability \pm 2 μ m
Absolute accuracy \pm 8 μ m
Dimensions: 1150 (W) \times 960 (D) \times 1685 (H) mm
(45.3" \times 37.8" \times 66.3")
Weight: 330 kg (728 lbs.)