

AX8555

Stand-Alone Low Flow Ozone Delivery System



The AX8555 Ozone Delivery Subsystem supports multiple chambers or tools to provide ultra clean ozone gas. The AX8555 is a fully integrated, lower flow ozone gas delivery system specifically designed for advanced semiconductor process applications such as Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD). ALD is a self-limiting "pulsed" process that sequentially introduces reactants into the process chamber in the

gas phase to build successive monolayers of film on the wafer. By appropriately selecting the precursor materials, parameters such as growth rate, reaction temperature, impurity levels, and crystallinity of the deposited films can be influenced. Films grown using ozone as an oxidizer in ALD are very high quality, stoichiometric, uniform, dense and free from any significant contamination.

Product Features

- Specifically designed for lower flow for advanced applications such as ALD
- Closed-loop concentration for tighter process control
- Modular design where each channel can be process matched to different concentration and flow
- Optional integrated ozone destructs with bypass valve
- Flexible tool interface
 - Interlock interface assembly configures easily to OEM tools



Key Benefits

- Supports single or multiple process tools for maximum efficiency and lower cost of operation
- Environmentally friendly solution easily converts back to benign O₂
- Generated at point-of-use removing transportation and storage needs

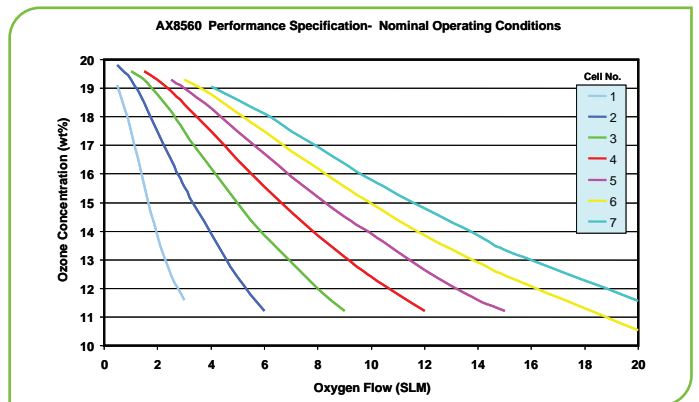
For gate oxides and high-k dielectric materials, one of the precursors needs to be an oxidizer. Ozone has many advantages over other oxidizers as a precursor for ALD and as a strong oxidizing agent. Ozone has a high redox potential, can be generated at the point-of-use, and it decays naturally into oxygen ($2\text{O}_3 \Rightarrow 3\text{O}_2$). Therefore, it is considered a "green" chemical. If required, ozone can also be destroyed at the output of the process chamber using a catalytic or thermal destruct unit. This significantly lowers chemical disposal cost, as the output is oxygen and contains no ozone. Ozone is very stable at room temperature, making it a good choice for most applications. In addition to ALD, typical ozone applications include chemical vapor deposition (CVD), photoresist strip, wafer cleaning, contaminant removal, surface conditioning, and oxide growth.

The AX8555 system is configurable with up to four (4) independent channels to support multiple ALD tools or chambers concurrently. Each channel can be matched to the specific concentration and flow required for your specific process. The ozone source for each channel is the production-proven AX8560 ozone delivery subsystem. It incorporates MKS patented, field-proven, high concentration, ultra clean ozone generation technology, as well as integrated ozone concentration monitor and flow control. The AX8555 includes all subassemblies required for stand-alone operation, including power distribution, an ambient ozone safety monitor, status indicator panel, and optional integrated ozone destructs for each channel.

Note: For ozone performance of each output channel, please refer to the AX8560 performance graph to the right.



AX8560 Compact Integrated Ozone Delivery Subsystem

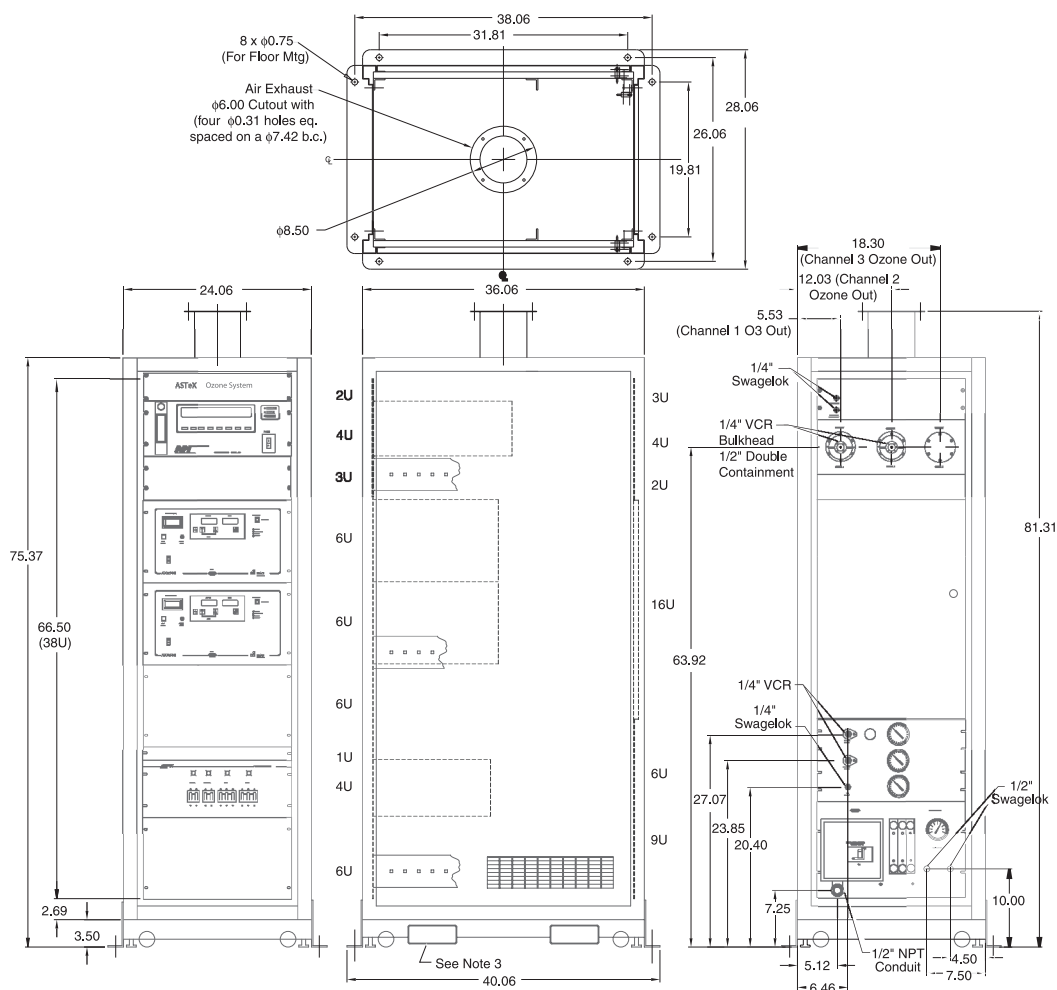


AX8560 Performance Graph

Specifications

Feed Gases	<p>Type</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxygen • Nitrogen (20 - 100 ppm of total flow) • Carbon Dioxide (1000 - 2000 ppm of total flow) <p>Purity 99.9995% minimum</p> <p>Supply Pressure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 psig (4.2 kg/cm²) nominal, 75 psig (5.3 kg/cm²) maximum • N₂/CO₂ pressure 10 psi higher than O₂ pressure <p>Connections Feed gases - ¼ inch face seal (VCR®)</p> <p>Pressure Indication Inlet pressure gauge for each gas</p>
Electrical Power	<p>Voltage 208 volts AC (±10%), three phase</p> <p>Current 15 amps RMS, 30 amps service, 31 amps RMS, 50 amps service (depending on configuration) minimum of 10,000 A.I.C</p> <p>Frequency 50/60 Hz</p>
Cooling Water	<p>Maximum Supply Pressure 85 psig (6.0 kg/cm²)</p> <p>Flow Rate 1.0 gpm (2.3 - 3.8 slm) minimum to 1.6 gpm max. per channel (depending on configuration)</p> <p>Temperature 63 - 73°F (17 - 23°C)</p> <p>Quality Demineralized, filtered to 20µm</p> <p>Connections ½" compression (Swagelok®)</p> <p>Flow Control/Indication Variable-area flow meter with valve</p> <p>Pressure Indication Inlet pressure gauge</p>
Exhaust	<p>Type SEMI Category 4 (accidental or emergency release of hazardous gas or vapor)</p> <p>Flow Rate 150 cfm (70.8 l/s)</p> <p>Static Pressure 0.10 in. (2.54 mm) H₂O minimum, measured at the bottom of the duct flange adapter on cabinet</p> <p>Connection 6" diameter duct opening</p>
Control Air (if required)	<p>Type CDA or dry nitrogen, 40µm filtered</p> <p>Pressure 70 - 100 psig</p> <p>Fitting ¼" compression (Swagelok®)</p>
Environmental	<p>Ambient Air Temperature 41 - 104°F (5 - 40°C)</p> <p>Relative Humidity 30% - 90% (non-condensing)</p> <p>Altitude Up to 3280 ft. (1000 m) above mean sea level</p>
Mechanical	<p>Dimensions (W x H x D) 24 in. x 75 in. x 36 in. (610 mm x 1575 mm x 914 mm)</p> <p>Weight</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 600 lbs.(272 kg) for system with one generator • 880 lbs.(400 kg) for system with four generators <p>Compliance CE, SEMI S2-0302, SEMI F47</p>

Dimensional Drawing



Note: Unless otherwise specified, dimensions are nominal values in inches.

Ordering Information

Please contact your local MKS sales office for price and availability information.



www.MKS.com

AX8555_02/24

©2005-2024 MKS Instruments, Inc.

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

MKS products provided subject to the US Export Regulations. Export, re-export, diversion or transfer contrary to US law (and local country law) is prohibited. All trademarks cited herein are the property of their respective owners.