

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA Driven to Discover

Midwest Nano Infrastructure Corridor

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### Midwest Nano Infrastructure Corridor



## MINIC: Core Lab Flagship Equipment



#### Lithography

- 6 nm, 50 MHz EBL
- Direct write optical
- i-line stepper
- Three contact printers





#### **Advanced Deposition**

- Thermal ALD for oxides
- PE-ALD for nitrides and metals
- PECVD and HDP-PECVD



### **MINIC: Key Focus Area Capabilities**



Nanparticle sizing Cell/tissue culture Confocal/fluorescence BSL2 hoods

**2D Process Integration** Dual tube deposition Aligned transfer Web-based resource: 40k hits

#### **Advanced Packaging**



RFIC packaging Multichip packaging X-ray imaging Environmental testing





### MINIC: Year 4 Research Highlights



McAlpine Group (ME, UMN) 3D printed bionic eye that can incorporate active elements.



Boston Scientific / Koester Group (ECE, UMN) Multiple-finger graphene varactor for wireless *invivo* sensing.





## **MINIC: Year 4 Research Highlights**



#### **Dynation LLC**

Transdermal drug delivery is dramatically accelerated by nanoparticle attachment



#### **Starkey Hearing Technologies**

Test modules in waffle pack for thermal shock testing





### **MINIC: Year 4 Education and Outreach**

### Intro to Nano Class: a hands-on class for grades 5-9

#### Survey results:

The Intro to Nano Class	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately or a Lot
Increased my knowledge of nanotechnology.	2%	5%	93%
Increased my interest in science and engineering.	5%	33%	63%
Helped me understand the science behind nano-technology.	0%	5%	95%
Helped me understand how nanotechnology relates to the real world.	0%	7%	93%
Increased my interest in studying science and engineering in college.	12%	21%	67%
Programs Assessed Total Students	3/20/19, 43	7/18/19	



#### 1500 people were reached by all outreach activities between 10/1/18 and 9/30/19.





### MINIC: Year 4 Focus Area Short Courses



#### 2-day workshops for undergrads, grad students, faculty, and industry

	2D	Nanobio
The talks were relevant and interesting	3.7 / 4.0	3.5 / 4.0
The length of the session was appropriate	3.3 / 4.0	3.4 / 4.0
Would recommend Workshop to others	3.6 / 4.0	3.6 / 4.0







### **MINIC: Education and Outreach - NNLA**





- Not all micro/nano skilled graduates in the upper Midwest come from the University of Minnesota
- How to support other facilities in the region?
- Added thee new member universities (UC, MNSU, UW)



### Node Impact: NNCI Year 4

- Enables ~\$20M of funded research annually
  - New NIST/SRC center:

**SMART**Center Spintronic Materials for Advanced InfoRmation Technologies

#### External user increase of 130% over pre NNCI level



#### Over 200 papers and conference proceedings:



Nature Comm.

ACS Nano

ACS Appl Nano Mat

Nanotechnology

Nature Comm.

Nano Lett.

### Node Impact: External Academics (To Date)



### **MINIC: Year 4 Self Assessment**

• MINIC participates in annual NNCI site user surveys:



# 99% rate MINIC as excellent or very good.





100% would recommend MINIC to a colleague.

70%

80%

90% 100%

### **MINIC: Network Collaboration**

- Metrics Subcommittee activities
  - MINIC, SENIC, TNF, NNF, NanoEarth
  - Ongoing work to develop metrics that quantify the impact of NNCI
  - Just completed academic impact evaluation
  - Currently working on industry impact
- Other activities: Working groups
  - Jim Marti has played key roles in the new GaTech four-node RET proposal and chairs the K-12 Students & Teachers and Community Outreach.
  - Greg Cibuzar co-leads the safety working group and consults with multiple nodes on lab operating software.



