

Denton Discovery 18

Idle condition check:

- Cryopump temperature is less than 12K



- High-vacuum gage is OFF
 - Top Green LED display on the Varian CC2 controller



- Mass flow controllers are all set to Remote.



- Chamber is under vacuum
 - Lid is closed and not latched



- The material you wish to deposit is loaded on a cathode
 - Check the red magnetic labels on the panel below the chamber



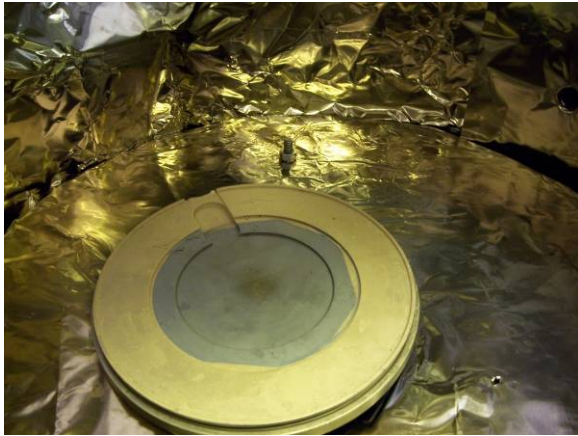
- Compressed gas cylinders are not empty
 - The pressure gauges can be viewed through the window behind the Denton

Loading a sample:

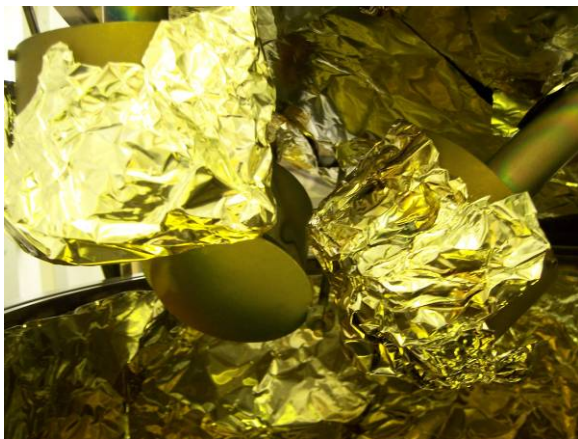
- Press the AutoVent key
 - Found in the Pumps and Valves menu



- Load sample onto the disc inside the chamber



- Cover cathodes you won't use with aluminum foil



- Close the chamber lid and latch it



- Press the Autopump key



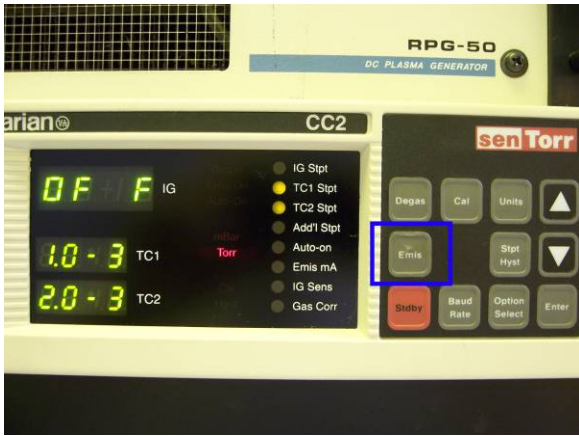
Running a process:

- After the high-vac valve has opened turn on the high vacuum gauge by pressing EMIS



- Wait for the vacuum gauge to read 5×10^{-6} Torr or lower and turn it off using the EMIS key again





- Press Return and then Auto Process to go to the Process screen.



- Set the desired power supply level on an appropriate power supply



- Select gases, power supply/cathode, pre-sputter, and sputter times
 - Gas and power supply/cathode choices will be green when enabled



- Press AutoProcess to run it



Common Process Parameters

- DC sputtering
 - 200 Watts
 - 5mTorr Argon pressure
 - 30 second pre-sputter
 - **Aluminum** deposition rate: 0.68nm/s
 - **Chrome** deposition rate: 0.625nm/s
 - **Gold** deposition rate: 1.11nm/s

- RF sputtering
 - 200 Watts
 - 5mTorr Argon pressure
 - 60 second pre-sputter
 - **Silicon Dioxide** deposition rate: 0.167nm/s

- Reactive Sputtering
 - **Indium Tin Oxide**: 150W, 221sccm Argon flow, 1.2sccm Oxygen flow
 - 0.344nm/s
 - 200 Ω /cm