GaN Wafer Procurement Update

GaN Wafer Specs

- Investigating the procurement of 3-5 2" or 4" GaN wafers on either native (GaN) substrates or on SiC substrates
 - Epi-grown layer thickness 10μm
 - Substrate: amonno-thermal for native GaN substrates
 - Epi carrier concentration: $<5\times10^{15}$ cm⁻³, i.e. no-intentional doping
 - Front side surface: as grown
 - Back side surface: optical polish

GaN Wafer Purchase/Vendors

- Received quote from Kyma Tech (see here)
 - \$9k for 2" wafers and up to \$20k for 4" wafers
 - Significantly lower if we provide the substrates, <\$2.5k irrespective of wafer size
- Before the holidays started discussions with GaN substrate provider
 - Unipress offshoot of Institute of High Pressure Physics Polish Academy of Sciences
 - 1st meeting on 2024/12/13, 2nd meeting on 2025/01/17
 - Provided initial specifications (similar to Kyma, see previous slide)
 - Discussed the possibility of achieving p-doping fabricate GaN p-n junction
 - Also discussed the possibility of AlGaN layer (heterostructures)
 - Potential for a collaborative effort to develop 2"- 4" substrates
- NRC/Carleton starting the process to purchase 2-3 3" GaN wafers on SiC
 - Developing mask for above size process to the HEMT stage
 - DC and RF characterization at NRC