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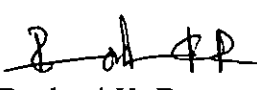


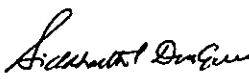

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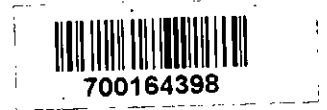
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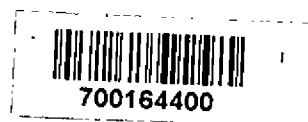
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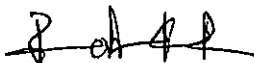
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## ABSTRACT

The process for fabrication of poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) piezoelectric beams and cantilevers comprises cleaning, etching and spinning methods. The present process utilizes silicon wafer as a starting substrate material that is cleaned and oxidized for growth of silicon dioxide, spun with positive photo resist followed by backside patterning to define device regions. The process also uses spinning of positive photo resist for patterning and etching of chrome-gold layer and poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) layer to define cantilevers and beams followed by again spinning of positive photo resist for patterning and etching of chrome-gold layer to define contacts. Further the process utilizes etching of silicon dioxide from the backside of the silicon wafer to release beams and cantilevers. The present invention uses piezoelectric material poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) cantilevers and beams as energy harvesters and vibration sensors.


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**TITLE: A PROCESS FOR FABRICATION OF P(VDF-TrFE) PIEZOELECTRIC BEAMS AND CANTILEVERS AS VIBRATION SENSORS AND ENERGY HARVESTERS****FIELD OF INVENTION**

The present invention relates to field of Electromechanics. Specifically, the present invention relates to a process for fabrication of poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) (P (VDF-TrFE) piezoelectric beams and cantilevers as vibration sensors and energy harvesters. Particularly, the present process contains cleaning, etching and spinning. The present process uses piezoelectric material P (VDF-TrFE) as energy harvester and vibration sensor.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

The idea of vibration detection and power generation using piezoelectric materials is well-known. For low frequency (<1000Hz) vibration detection and energy harvesting, poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) (P (VDF-TrFE)) co-polymers have become important due to their large piezoelectric coefficient and low spring constant. However, fabrication of cantilevers and beams of P (VDF-TrFE) co-polymers has been extremely difficult due to its extreme sensitivity to process chemicals.

The piezoelectric based vibration sensors could be integrated with wireless sensor node for in-vitro applications such as monitoring patient health like heartbeat. Piezoelectric based vibration energy harvesters in the form of beams and cantilevers, have wide ranging potential such as in-vivo applications for powering pacemakers etc. The in-vivo applications however, are challenging due to the bio-compatibility issues of the energy harvester. Nevertheless, the first set of in-vitro applications appear to be realistic.

Vibration monitoring sensors and associated signal conditioning as an integral part of industrial predictive maintenance programs is increasingly becoming important for maintenance and plant engineers for monitoring overall health of the machinery as an effective strategy for reducing downtime. Vibration monitoring sensors are widely used because of their ability to detect and

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diagnose a wide variety of machinery faults, such as bearing faults, gear problems, misalignment, mass imbalance, and others, on a wide variety of rotating machinery, and its relative ease of integration with portable data collectors, online vibration monitoring systems, PLC's, and Plant Information (PI) systems.

Various energy harvesters have been devised in prior art some of the measures are as follows:

US20160197261 relates to an energy harvester for converting vibration energy into electrical energy and harvesting the electrical energy, the energy harvester comprising: a base; a clamping structure which is supported by the base and is spaced apart from the base; an elastic member which is disposed between the base and the clamping structure and allows the clamping structure to be elastically moved relative to the base; and a cantilever structure comprising: a cantilever beam having one side which is fixed to the clamping structure and the other side which is elastically bendable; and a mass body which is disposed on the cantilever beam.

US20150203345 relates to a polymer anchored microelectromechanical system (MEMS) cantilever, comprising a base and a cantilever beam projecting from the base, wherein the cantilever beam consists of a piezo layer sandwiched between an inorganic material structural layer and an inorganic material encapsulating and immobilizing layer and a pair of electrical contacts formed in the encapsulating and immobilizing layer in contact with the piezo layer and wherein the base consists of polymer.

A known publication by Ethem Erkan Aktakka et al (2011) in Transducers'11, Beijing, China, June 5-9, 2011, discloses design, fabrication, and testing of a thinned-PZT/Si unimorph cantilever for vibration energy harvesting. This harvester utilizes thinning of bulk-PZT pieces bonded to an SOI wafer, and takes advantage of the similar thermal expansion between PZT and Si to minimize beam bending due to residual stress.

Another known publication by Pierre-Henri Ducrot et al (2016) in Scientific Reports, 2016; 6: 19426 refers a systematic optimization of processing conditions of PVDF-TrFE piezoelectric thin films, used as integrated transducers in organic MEMS resonators. Indeed, despite data on electromechanical properties of PVDF found in the literature, optimized processing conditions

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that lead to these properties remain only partially described. In this work, a rigorous optimization of parameters enabling state-of-the-art piezoelectric properties of P (VDF-TrFE) thin films has been performed via the evaluation of the actuation performance of MEMS resonators. Conditions such as annealing duration, poling field and poling duration have been optimized and repeatability of the process has been demonstrated.

Yet another known prior art by Sharon Roslyn Oh et al (2013) in Journal of Micromechanics and Microengineering, Volume 23, Number 9, discuss the fabrication of arrays of piezoelectric P(VDF-TrFE) MEMS cantilevers, batch fabricated via wafer level surface micromachining techniques. In this process Water-soluble poly (vinyl alcohol) (PVA) was selected as the sacrificial layer, due to its compatibility with the processing of P (VDF-TrFE).

Even another known publication by N. Snis et al (2008) in Sensors and Actuators A: Physical, Volume 144, Issue 2, 15 June 2008, Pages 314–320 refers a monolithic multilayer structure of the piezoelectric co-polymer P (VDF-TrFE) by using successive spin coating and electrode evaporation.

The present invention overcomes the inadequacies of the prior art by providing a fabrication process for energy harvester.

#### **OBJECT OF THE PRESENT INVENTION**

One or more of the problems of the conventional prior art may be overcome by various embodiments of the present invention.

Accordingly, the primary object of the present invention is to provide a process of fabrication.

It is one object of the present invention, wherein the said process fabricates poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) (P (VDF-TrFE)) piezoelectric beams and cantilevers.

It is another object of the present invention, wherein the said process contains cleaning, etching and spinning methods.

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It is even another object of the present invention, wherein the said process contains piranha cleaning and rinsing with isopropyl alcohol, followed by spinning of P (VDF-TrFE).

It is even another object of the present invention, wherein the said P (VDF-TrFE) is a piezoelectric material which is patterned and etched to release free beams and cantilevers as vibration sensors and energy harvesters.

**SUMMARY OF THE PRESENT INVENTION**

According to the basic aspect of the present invention there is provided a process for fabrication of poly(vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) (P(VDF-TrFE)) piezoelectric beams and cantilevers as vibration sensors and energy harvesters comprising: cleaning of silicon wafers, growing of Silicon dioxide (SiO<sub>2</sub>) by wet oxidation, spinning positive photo resist on both sides and backside patterning, etching backside SiO<sub>2</sub> using buffered hydrofluoric acid, stripping front side and back side of positive photo resist using acetone, etching silicon by means of tetra methyl ammonium hydroxide, cleaning of substrate by piranha, rinsing with isopropyl alcohol and pre baking for 15 min at 150°C, spinning the said P(VDF-TrFE), sequential thermal evaporation of Chrome-Gold (Cr-Au), patterning of Cr-Au using, etching Cr-Au using Cr-Au etchant, etching P(VDF-TrFE) by plasma ash using Cr-Au as etch mask, patterning of Cr-Au for contacts, etching Cr-Au using Cr-Au etchant, stripping positive photo resist by UV exposure and developer and etching SiO<sub>2</sub> from backside by plasma etching to free the beams and cantilevers.

It is one aspect of the present invention, wherein the said piranha is cleaned by mixing sulfuric acid and hydrogen peroxide in 3:1 ratio.

It is one aspect of the present invention, wherein the said spinning of P (VDF-TrFE) is done at least at 300 rpm for 10 sec and 1000 rpm for 30 sec and spinning of photo resist is done at least at 3000 rpm for 30 sec.

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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS**

Figure 1 illustrates schematic representation of poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) piezoelectric cantilever, wherein a represents P (VDF-TrFE), b represents Cr-Au IDE, c represents Fixed End, according to present invention.

Figure 2 illustrates schematic representation of poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) piezoelectric beam, wherein a represents P (VDF-TrFE), b represents Cr-Au IDE, c represents Fixed End, according to present invention.

Figure 3 illustrates P (VDF-TrFE) cantilever or beam as vibration sensor, according to present invention.

Figure 4 illustrates poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) cantilever or beam as energy harvester, wherein d represents silicon wafer 2 inch, e represents 2.5 micron thick P(VDF-TrFE), f represents Cr/Au contact, according to present invention.

Figure 5 (a- o) illustrates the diagrammatic representation of process flow of for fabrication of cantilevers and beams, wherein from figure 5 (i - o) 1 represents cantilever and 2 represents beam, according to present invention.

Figure 6 illustrates the flow chart of process flow of for fabrication of cantilevers and beams, according to present invention.

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## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION WITH REFERENCE TO ACCOMPANYING DRAWINGS

The preferred embodiment of the present invention will now be explained with reference to the accompanying drawings. It should be understood however that the disclosed embodiments are merely exemplary of the invention, which may be embodied in various forms. The following description and drawings are not to be construed as limiting the invention and numerous specific details are described to provide a thorough understanding of the present invention, as the basis for the claims and as a basis for teaching one skilled in the art how to make and/or use the invention. However in certain instances, well-known or conventional details are not described in order not to unnecessarily obscure the present invention in detail.

With reference to figures 1 – 4, the present invention of a process for fabrication of poly(vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) P(VDF-TrFE) piezoelectric cantilevers and beams as vibration sensors and energy harvesters comprises the process of cleaning, etching, spinning of P(VDF-TrFE) and striping positive photo resist to free beams and cantilevers. These cantilevers and beams can be used as vibration sensors and energy harvesters which are shown in the Figures 3 and 4, respectively.

The said process of fabrication is initiated by cleaning of silicon wafer that is 2 inch diameter and single side polished. Silicon dioxide on cleaned Silicon wafer is allowed to grow by wet oxidation method. The said wafers undergo spinning of positive photo resist on both sides of wafer followed by backside patterning to define device regions. The said SiO<sub>2</sub> is etched from backside using buffered hydrofluoric acid, the composition is ammonium fluoride: hydrofluoric acid in 5:1 ratio. The positive photo resist is stripped from front side and backside by using acetone. The said silicon wafer is then etched fully, about 275 microns depth at the device regions from backside by tetra methyl ammonium hydroxide.

In one process of the present invention, the silicon wafer is cleaned by piranha which is a mixture of sulfuric acid and Hydrogen peroxide in 3:1 ratio. The said silicon wafer is rinsed with

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Isopropyl Alcohol and pre-baked for 15 minutes at 150°C and followed by spinning 2.5µm thick P (VDF-TrFE) at 300 rpm for 10sec and 1000 rpm for 30sec and post baked at 120°C.

In another process of the present invention, the said process stipulates sequential thermal evaporation of Chrome-Gold (Cr-Au) whereas Cr is 10nm thick and Au is 140nm thick. The said positive photo resist is spun at 1.5µm thick (3000 rpm for 30 sec) and Cr-Au is patterned using cantilever and beam mask. The said Chrome-Gold is etched using Chrome-Gold etchant. The said P (VDF-TrFE) is then etched using plasma asher and simultaneously positive photo resist is stripped.

In yet another process of the present invention, the positive photo resist is spun at 3000 rpm for 30 sec and Cr-Au is patterned using contacts mask. The said Cr-Au is again etched using Cr-Au etchant. Positive photo resist is stripped by UV exposure and developer. Finally SiO<sub>2</sub> is etched from backside by plasma etching to free the beams and cantilevers.

The detailed process flow for fabrication of cantilevers and beams is shown below, which is only illustrative and should not be construed as limitation. With reference to figure 5 (a- o) and figure 6, the said process flow comprises:

- 1) Cleaning of silicon wafers with following features: 2 inch diameter, Single Side polished (SSP) and resistivity: 4-7 ohm-cm.
- 2) Growth of silicon dioxide (1 micron) by Wet oxidation.
- 3) Spin positive photo resist at the rate of 300 rpm for 10 sec, 3000 rpm for 30 sec on both sides of the wafer and backside patterning.
- 4) Etching Backside SiO<sub>2</sub> using BHF 5:1.
- 5) Strip front side and backside positive photo resist using acetone.
- 6) Etch silicon wafer fully from backside by tetra methyl ammonium hydroxide (about 275 microns) followed by piranha cleaning.
- 7) Rinse with isopropyl alcohol and pre bake for 15 min at 150°C followed by spinning ~2.5µm thick P (VDF-TrFE) (300 rpm for 10sec and 1000 rpm for 30sec).

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- 8) Sequential thermal evaporation of Cr-Au (Cr-10 nm and Au-140 nm).
- 9) Spin positive photo resist on front side at the rate of 300 rpm for 10 sec, 3000 rpm for 30 sec and pattern Cr-Au using cantilever and beam mask.
- 10) Etch Cr-Au using Cr-Au etchant.
- 11) Etch P (VDF-TrFE) by plasma asher simultaneously positive photo resist will be stripped.
- 12) Spin positive photo resist on front side at the rate of 300 rpm for 10 sec, 3000 rpm for 30 sec and pattern Cr-Au using contacts mask.
- 13) Etch Cr-Au using Cr-Au etchant.
- 14) Strip positive photo resist by UV exposure and developer.
- 15) Etch SiO<sub>2</sub> from backside by plasma etching to free the beams and cantilevers.

Although the invention has been described with reference to specific embodiments, this description is not meant to be construed in a limiting sense. Various modifications of the disclosed embodiments, as well as alternative embodiments, will be apparent to persons skilled in the art. It is therefore, contemplated that the appended claims will cover all modifications that fall within the true scope of the invention.



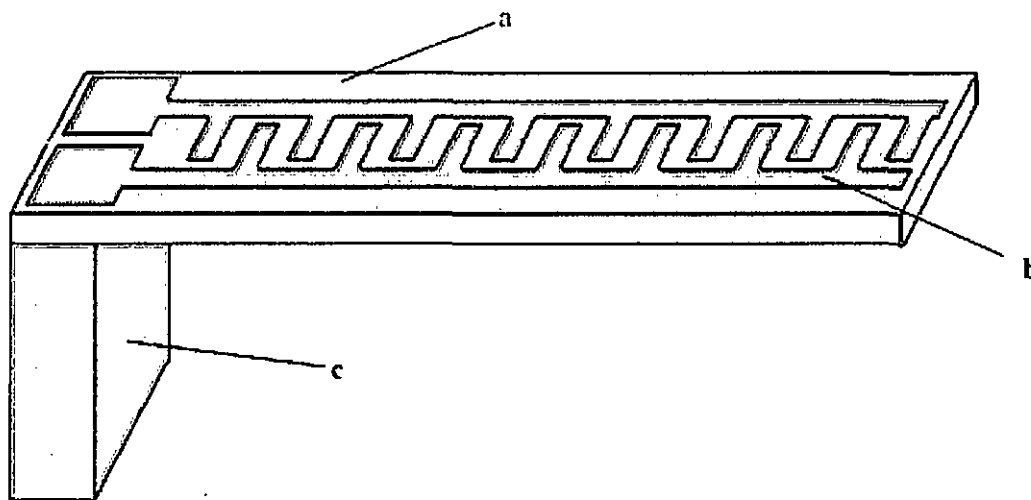
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FIGURE 1

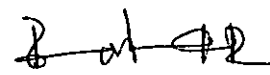
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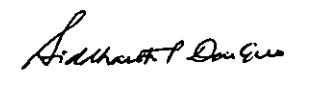
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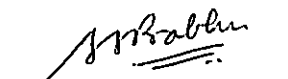
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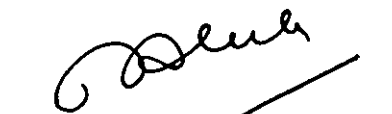
  
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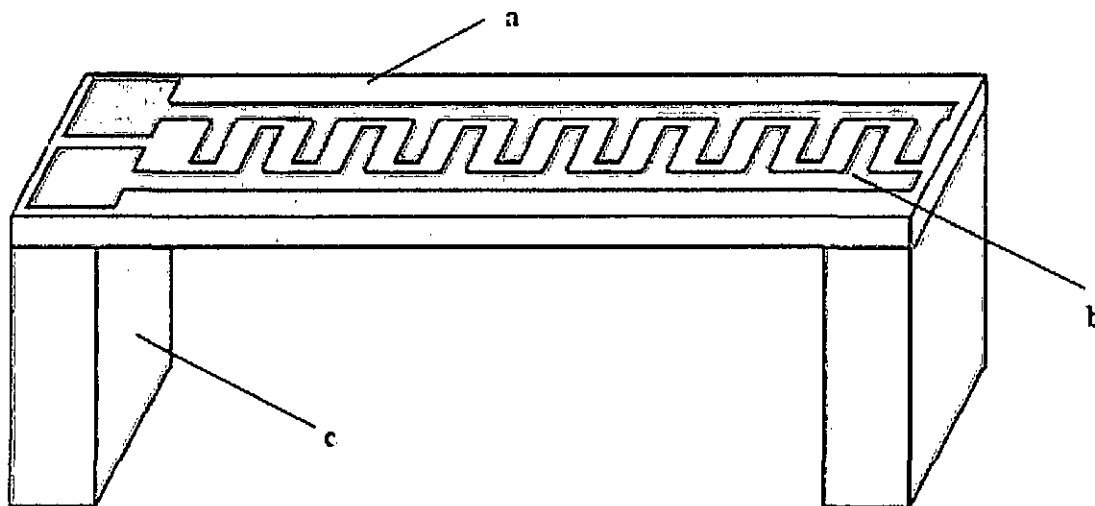
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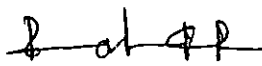
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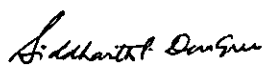
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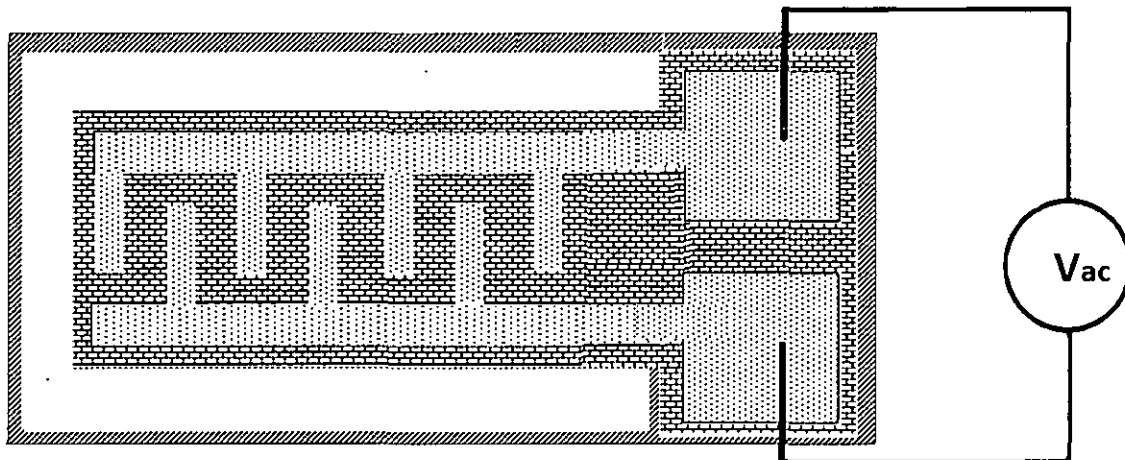
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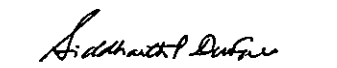
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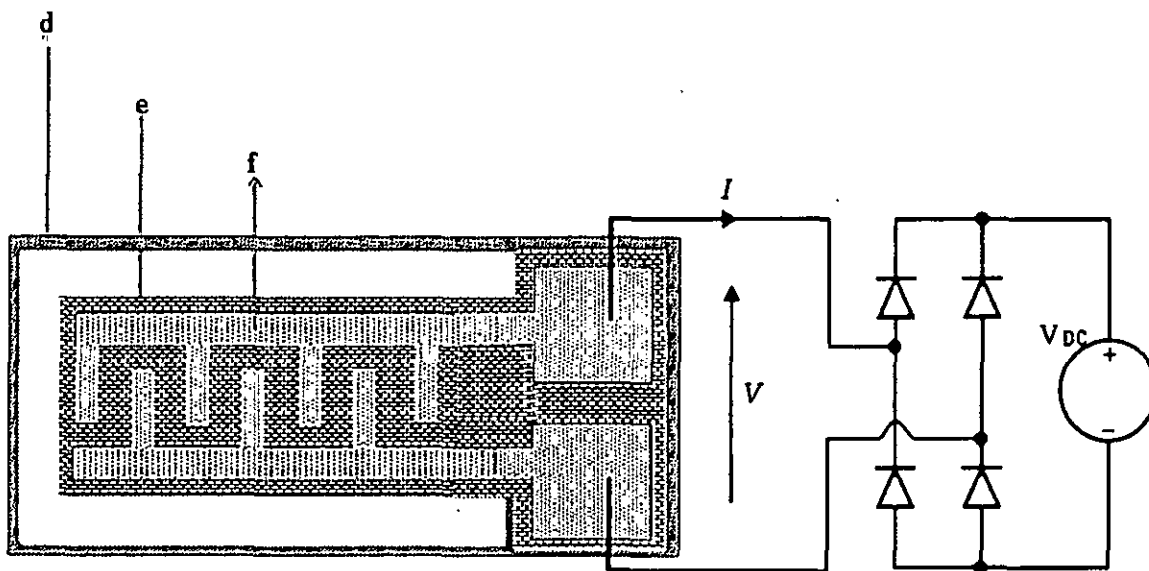
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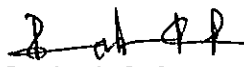
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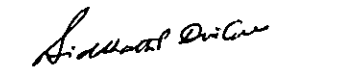
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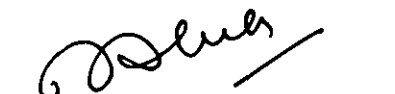
  
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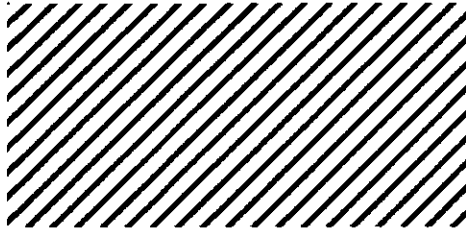
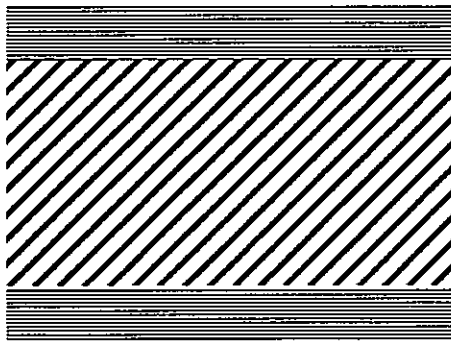
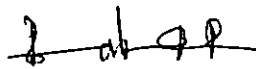


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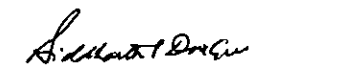
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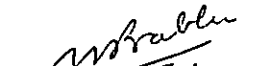
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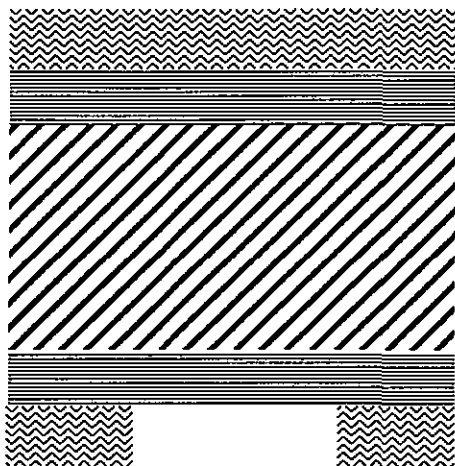
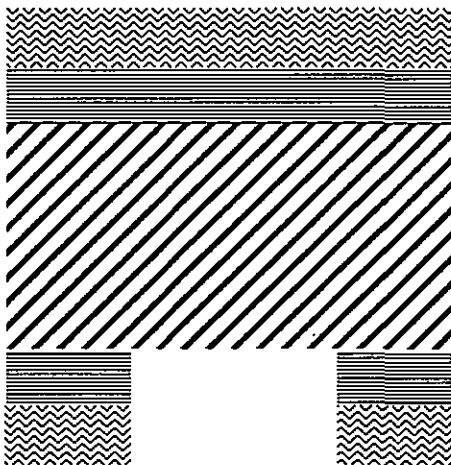
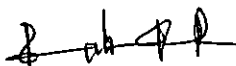


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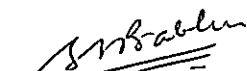
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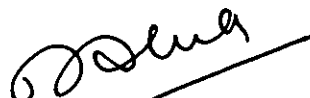
  
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FIGURE 5 (g)

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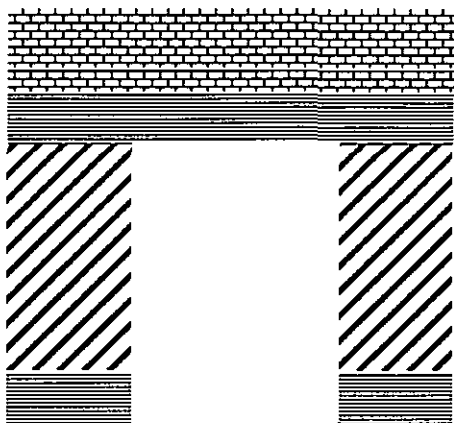
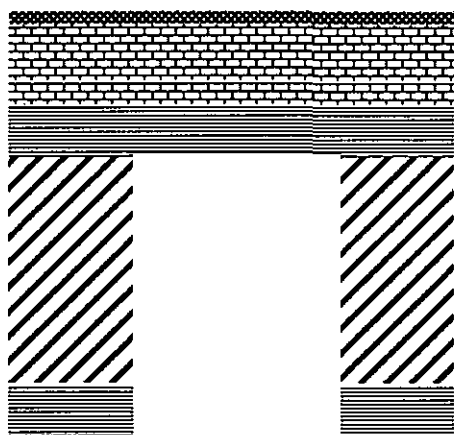
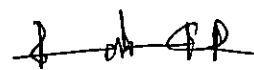



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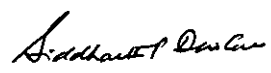
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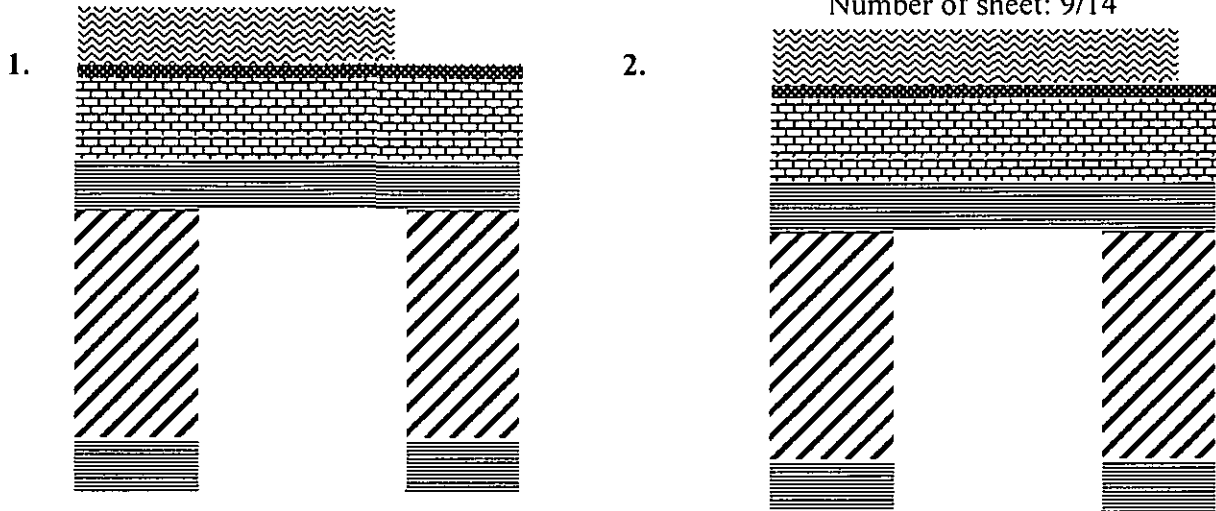
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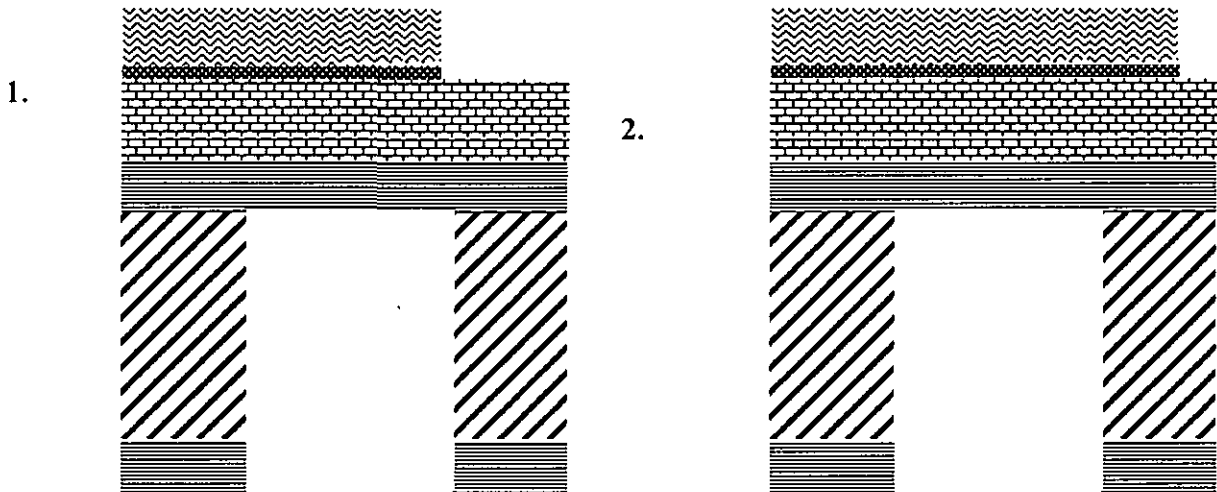
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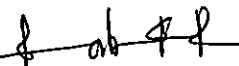


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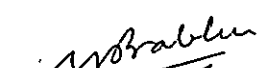
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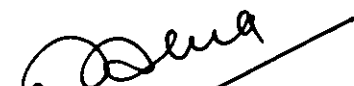
  
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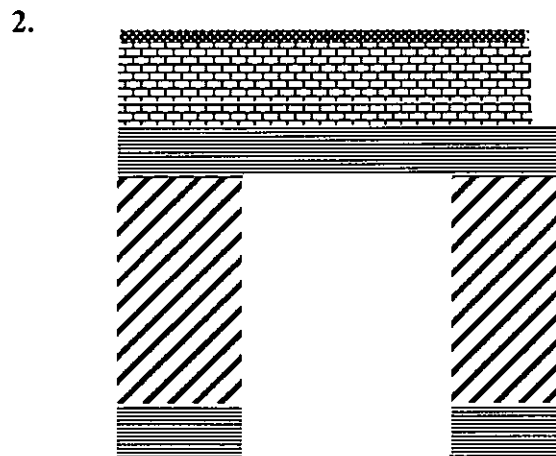
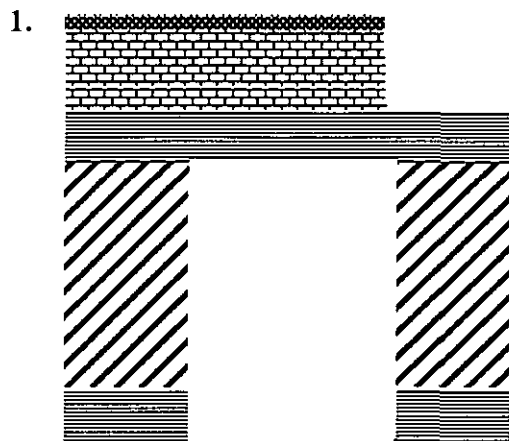
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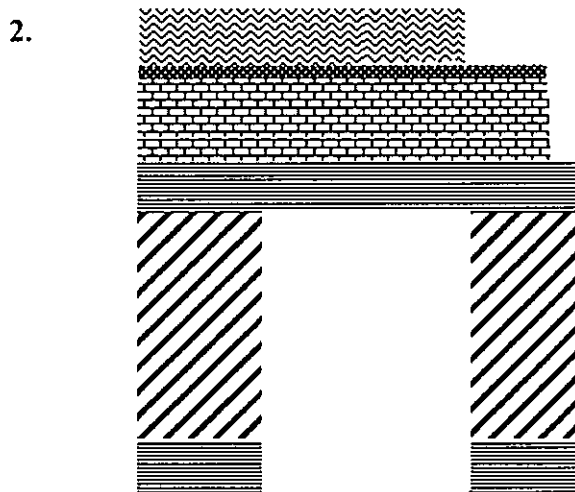
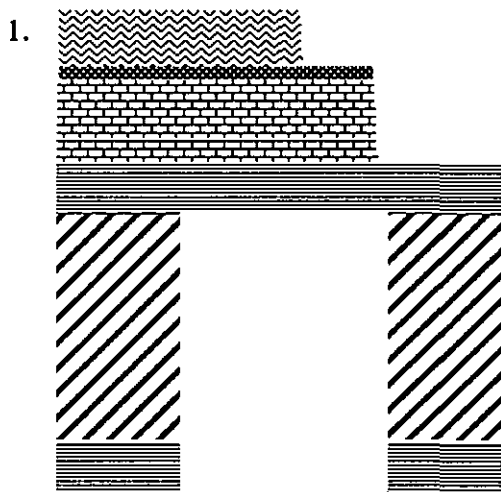
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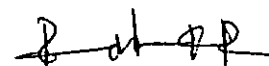


**FIGURE 5 (l)**



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The diagram shows a cross-section of a wall and floor assembly. The wall is composed of three layers: a wavy pattern (insulation), a brick pattern (masonry), and a horizontal line (floor slab). The floor is composed of two layers: a diagonal hatched pattern (insulation) and a horizontal line (floor slab). The assembly is shown in a cross-section view, with the floor slab extending horizontally across the middle.

2.

The diagram shows a cross-section of a masonry wall. The wall has a base of horizontal lines, a main body of brickwork, and a parapet with a wavy top. The wall is supported by two columns with diagonal hatching. The base of the columns has horizontal hatching.

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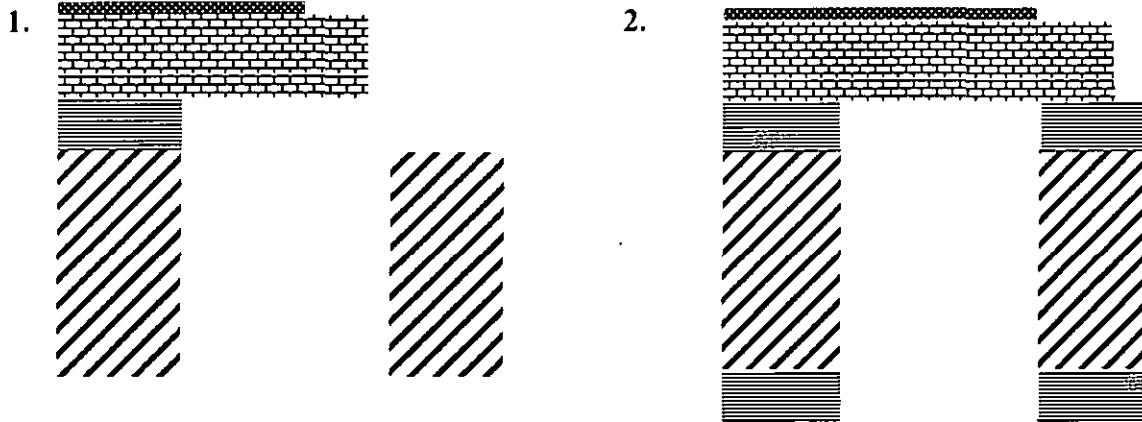
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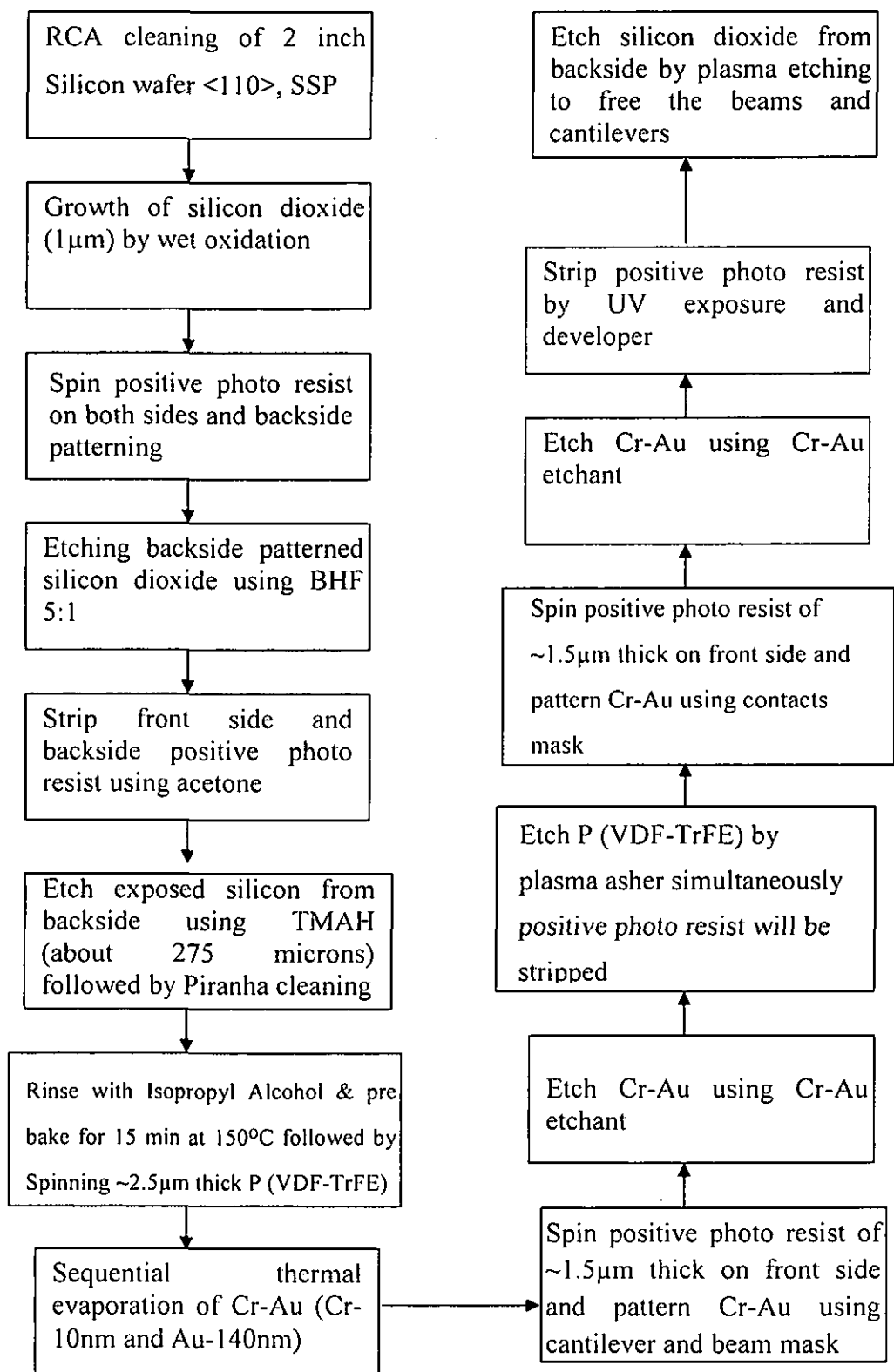
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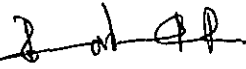
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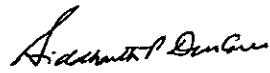
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**WE CLAIM**

1. A process for fabrication of poly(vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) piezoelectric beams and cantilevers as vibration sensors and energy harvesters comprising:

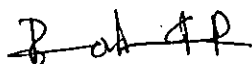
- a. Cleaning of Silicon wafers;
- b. Growing of  $\text{SiO}_2$  by wet oxidation;
- c. Spinning positive photo resist on both sides and backside patterning;
- d. Etching backside patterned  $\text{SiO}_2$  using buffered hydrofluoric acid;
- e. Stripping front side and back side of positive photo resist using acetone;
- f. Etching silicon by means of Tetra Methyl Ammonium Hydroxide;
- g. Piranha cleaning;
- h. Rinsing with isopropyl alcohol and pre baking for 15 min at  $150^\circ\text{C}$ ;
- i. Spinning the said poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene);
- j. Deposition of Cr-Au by sequential thermal evaporation;
- k. Spinning of positive photo resist on front side;
- l. Patterning Cr-Au using cantilever and beam mask;
- m. Etching Cr-Au using Cr-Au etchant;

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- n. Etching poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) using plasma asher;
  - o. Spinning of positive photo resist on front side;
  - p. Patterning Cr-Au using contacts mask;
  - q. Etching Cr-Au using Cr-Au etchant;
  - r. Stripping positive photo resist by UV exposure and developer; and
  - s. Etching backside  $\text{SiO}_2$  by plasma etching to free the beams and cantilevers.
2. The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the said piranha cleaning is done by mixing sulfuric acid and hydrogen peroxide in 3:1 ratio.
3. The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the said spinning of poly (vinylidene fluoride-co-trifluoroethylene) is done at least at 300 rpm for 10 sec and 1000 rpm for 30 sec and spinning of positive photo resist is done at least at 3000 rpm for 30 sec.

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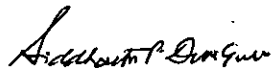
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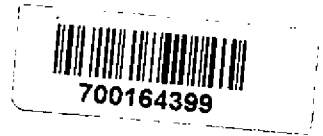
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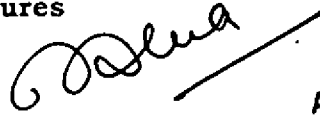


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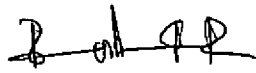
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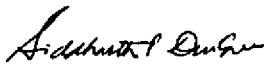
  
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**SHOBHAVANA CAMPUS, MIJAR, MOODBIDRI, DAKSHINA KANNADA - 574225, KARNATAKA, INDIA** hereby request for early publication of my Patent application No **201841030070** dated **10.08.2018** for the invention **A PROCESS FOR FABRICATION OF P[VDF-TrFE] PIEZOELECTRIC BEAMS AND CANTILEVERS AS VIBRATION SENSORS AND ENERGY HARVESTERS** under section 11A(2) of the Act.

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We write with reference to the following patent applications.

1. Patent application No **201841030070** dated **10.08.2018** for the invention "A PROCESS FOR FABRICATION OF P[VDF-TrFE] PIEZOELECTRIC BEAMS AND CANTILEVERS AS VIBRATION SENSORS AND ENERGY HARVESTERS" under the name **ALVA'S EDUCATION FOUNDATION**
2. Patent application No **201841040380** dated **26.10.2018** for the invention "ENHANCEMENT OF MICRO DIRECT METHANOL FUEL CELL ( $\mu$ -DMFC) PERFORMANCE USING MICRO CHANNELS FABRICATED FROM <100> SILICON WAFER ORIENTATION AND P(VDF-TrFE) COATED NAFION MEMBRANE AS PROTON EXCHANGE MEMBRANE" under the name **ALVA'S EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

We submit a request for early publication (Form 9) for each of the above patent applications with sum of Fee Rs.27500/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Only). We request you to take the above on record.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,

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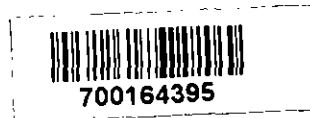
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Referring to the above, we are enclosing **application for request for Complete Specification** along with fee Rs.8800/- (Eight Thousand eight Hundred only) by cash.

The Title of the Patent is as follows:

**1. A PROCESS FOR FABRICATION OF PIEZOELECTRIC BEAMS AND CANTILEVERS AS VIBRATION SENSORS AND ENERGY HARVESTERS.**

Kindly Acknowledge the same.

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