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A MATERIAL SCIENCE COMPANY

Serving the semiconductor industry

(NASDAQ: AXTI)

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AXT Snapshot



HISTORY

Founded in 1986; IPO in 1998

PRODUCTS

Alternative wafers when silicon will not work

PROCESS TECHNOLOGY

Pioneered Vertical Gradient Freeze (VGF) crystal growth; substantial process technology and IP

FACILITY

Headquarters in Fremont, CA

MANUFACTURING

Launched in China in 1998. Operating in three locations:

- Beijing – Indium phosphide crystal growth and wafer processing
- Kazuo – Gallium arsenide crystal growth; two raw material joint ventures: Beijing BoYu Semiconductor Vessel Craftwork Technology Co., Ltd. (“BoYu”) and Nanjing JinMei Gallium Co., Ltd. (“JinMei”) are also in Kazuo
- Dingxing – Gallium arsenide and germanium wafer processing

OPERATIONS

Sophisticated supply chain model with ownership interest in 10 raw material companies



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Indium Phosphide (InP) Overview

- Growth engine ignited in 2014
- Applications using InP are expanding
- We expect a long product life cycle—
mirroring GaAs

Indium Phosphide (InP) Market



KEY APPLICATIONS

- Data center connectivity (Silicon photonics)
- Passive Optical Networks (PONs)
- 5G telecommunications infrastructure
- Emerging market for medical sensors
- Upside – 5G mobile devices
- Upside – driverless cars



MARKET DYNAMICS

- Strong barriers to entry
 - Crystal growth very difficult due to two key variables
 - Customer spec-driven market
- Three leading suppliers:
- AXT, Sumitomo, and Japan Energy
- AXT is strategically adding capacity



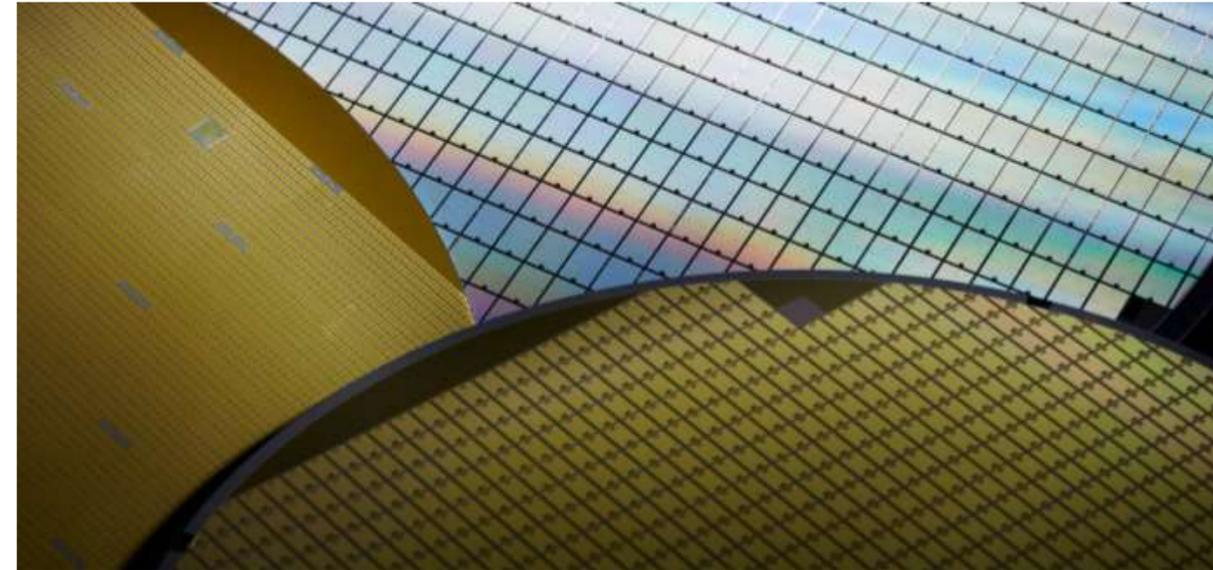
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Gallium Arsenide (GaAs) Overview

- Our first strong growth engine, even before our IPO in 1998
- A long product life cycle populated with new applications
- Supplied first 8-inch gallium arsenide wafers to major customer in April 2021

Gallium Arsenide (GaAs) Market



KEY APPLICATIONS

- LED lighting
- Industrial lasers
- Printer heads
- Power amplifiers
- 3-D sensing
- MicroLEDs

MARKET DYNAMICS

- Market pushes wafer size
- Tier-one requires very low defect density
- Consumer applications mean high volume
- GaAs not going away, keeps re-inventing itself
- New opportunities developing
- Limited competitive landscape



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Germanium (Ge) Overview

- A single element wafer i.e. just Germanium
- Primary application is satellite solar cells:
 - Multi-junction solar cells
 - Weather, environmental, communication

Germanium (Ge) Market



MARKET DYNAMICS

- Satellites increasingly in the news
- Satellite solar cell market increasing
- Difficult to make house calls
- Difficult for customer to change supplier
- AXT has strong relationships with multiple leading customers

Sophisticated Supply Chain



- Ownership interest in ten raw material companies in China
- Merged the two crown jewels into Beijing Tongmei Xtal Technology Co., Ltd. (“Tongmei”)
- Direct visibility and influence in these markets
- Favorable cost/pricing
- A risk minimization strategy if supply shortages occur
- On the boards of all ten raw material companies
- AXT is uniquely positioned to secure key materials
- Tier 1 customers attracted to this structure

Financial Momentum

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
(\$ in M)	<u>Q2</u>	<u>Q1</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>
Revenue	\$39.50	\$39.70	\$137.40	\$95.40	\$83.30	\$102.40	\$98.70
Gross Margin %	39.10%	33.60%	34.50%	31.70%	29.80%	36.10%	34.90%
Op Expense	\$10.10	\$9.60	\$34.50	\$26.33	\$25.10	\$24.90	\$21.80
Net Profit/(Loss)	\$5.55	\$3.17	\$14.58	\$3.24	(\$2.60)	\$9.70	\$10.10

Summary of the STAR Market Process



- Announced intention in November 2020 to seek capital by listing Tongmei to IPO in China
- Separate listing of Tongmei, no change regarding the current Nasdaq listing of AXTI
- Tongmei's IPO application was formally accepted for review by the Shanghai Stock Exchange ("SSE") in January 2022
- The SSE approved the application in July 2022
- The application is now being reviewed by the China Securities Regulatory Commission ("CSRC")
- If approved, the next stage in this process is to conduct a series of one-on-one meetings with interested investment funds in China and assess the level of interest
- Once the meetings are concluded Tongmei's investment banker could request a listing date to begin trading
- We believe trading could begin in Q4 2022, but timing is subject to various factors outside of Tongmei's control

Ownership of Tongmei

- AXT currently owns approximately 85.5% of Tongmei
- An additional 10% will be sold if the IPO is approved
- AXT would then own approximately 77% of Tongmei

Benefits to Key Shareholders

- AXT shareholders
 - Attractive balance sheet, minimal dilution
 - Displays and leverages/unlocks China assets
 - Strengthens AXT's business development positioning
- Our customers
 - Increases confidence in our ability to scale up
 - Confirms our commitment to their projects and to winning their business
- Our employees
 - Creates excitement, pride and financial opportunity
 - Strengthens retention, motivation and commitment to excellence



AXT Market Opportunity



- New facilities, equipment and capacity
- Selling into major long-term technology trends: data center expansion, 5G, LED lighting and display, laser-based sensing, medical applications, and more
- Limited competitive landscape
- Market-leading InP technology with high barriers to entry
- Proprietary process technology, barriers to entry
- Access to both China and U.S. capital, U.S. quality standards; China cost structure
- The only player to have a position in raw materials
- Markets and business fundamentals look good
- STAR Market listing can finance more growth and capacity



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