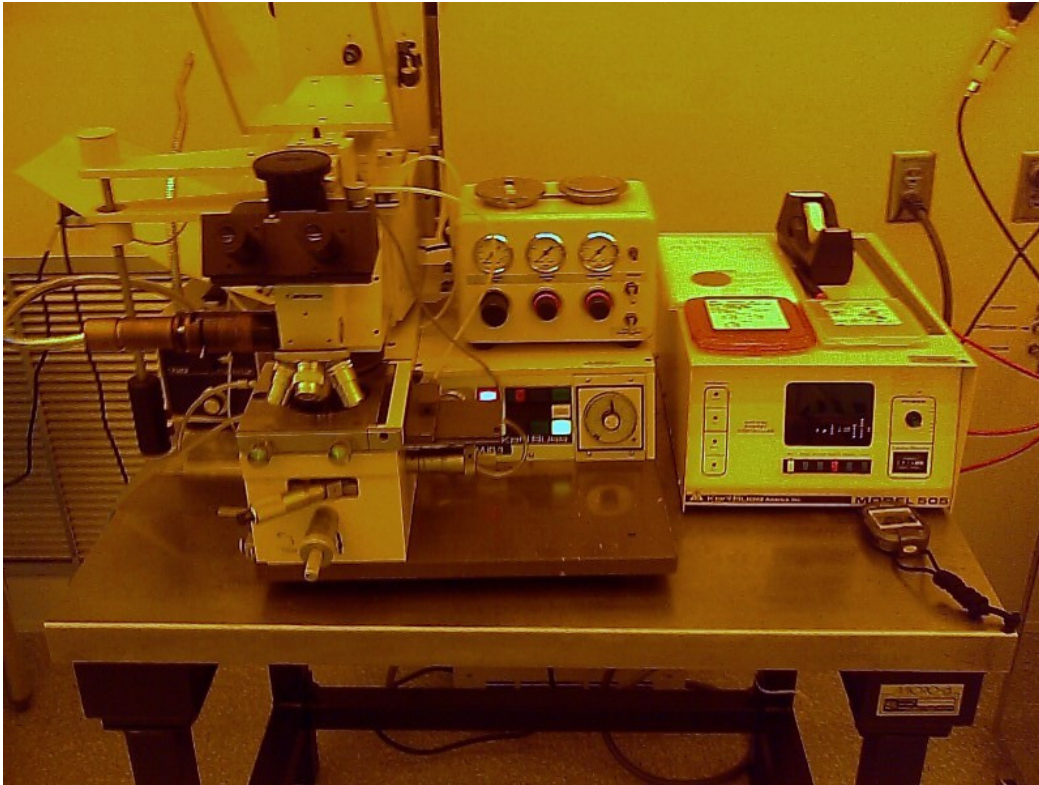


Karl Suss MJB-3 Mask Aligner User's Manual



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Follow all steps in order.
Failing to do so could result in damage to the equipment.

I. Chapter 1: Power Up Sequence

[1] Turn on Nitrogen, Compressed Air, and Vacuum lines on back wall .

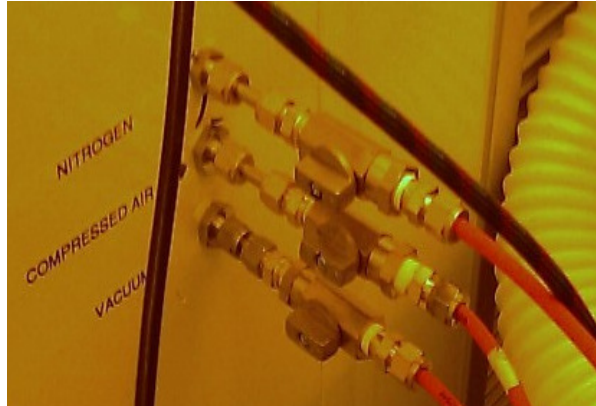


Figure 1 Open Lines

[2] Flip **COMPRESSED AIR toggle** on (up).

i. Compressed Air is used to control the Karl SUS via pneumatics.

[3] Flip **NITROGEN toggle** on (up).

ii. The nitrogen gas is used to cool the mercury lamp source.

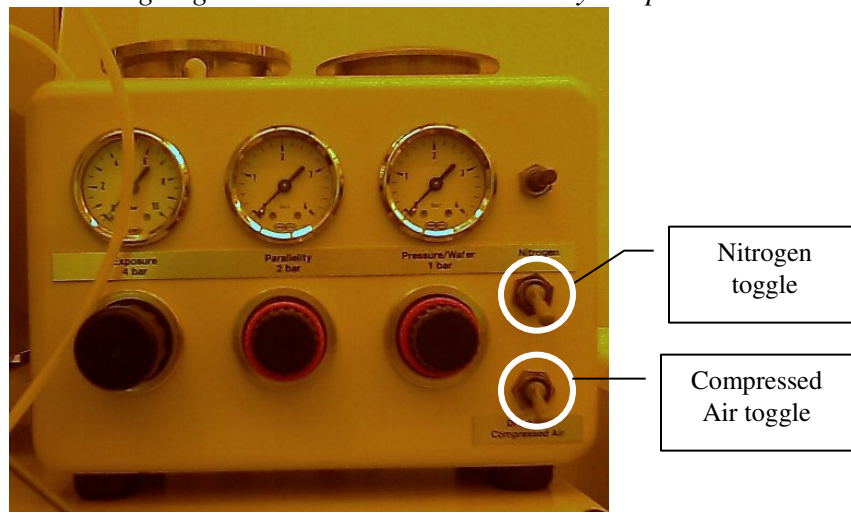


Figure 2 Nitrogen and Compressed Air toggles

[4] Power up the mercury lamp.

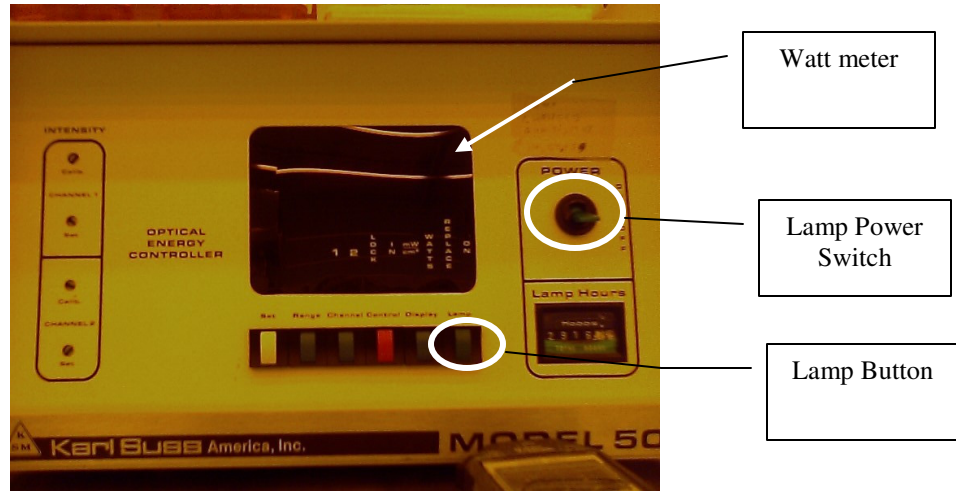


Figure 3 Watt meter, Lamp Power switch and Lamp button

- a. Flip **Lamp Power Switch** on (up).
- b. Ignite the Lamp via holding down the **LAMP button** for a few seconds.
 - iii. *You should notice the lamp's watt meter begin to increase*
 - iv. *It takes about 5 minutes for lamp to reach a nominal power of **277 Watts.***
- c. If lamp watt meter does not increase reading, repeat step 4b.

[5] Turn on the Karl Sus via pressing the **POWER button**.

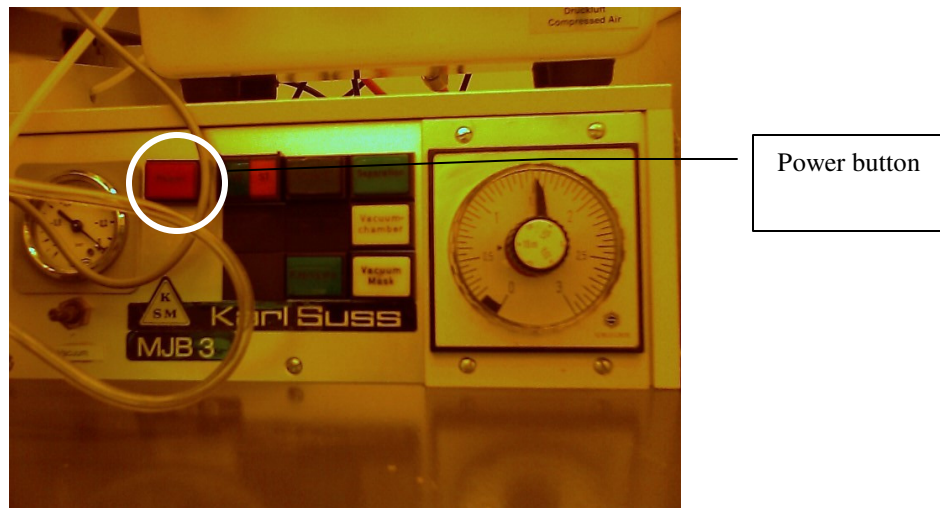


Figure 4 Karl Sus Power button

[6] Load the mask on the Mask Holder.

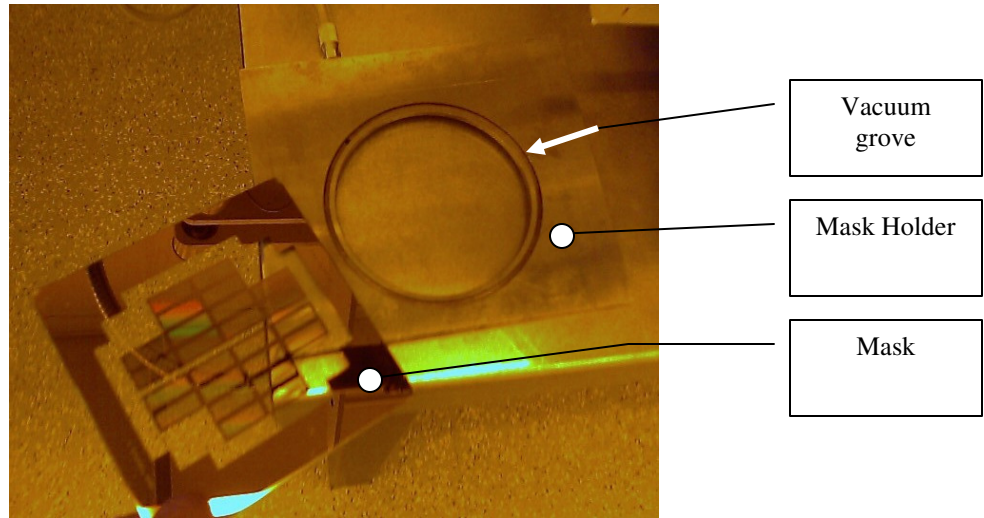


Figure 5 Mask and Mask Holder

- d. Ensure your mask is clean.
- e. The Mask Holder should be placed face up on the table
 - v. *You should see the vacuum groove.*
- f. Place your mask, MASK SIDE UP, on top of the Mask Holder.
- g. Press **VACUUM MASK button** to establish a vacuum between your mask and the Mask Holder.

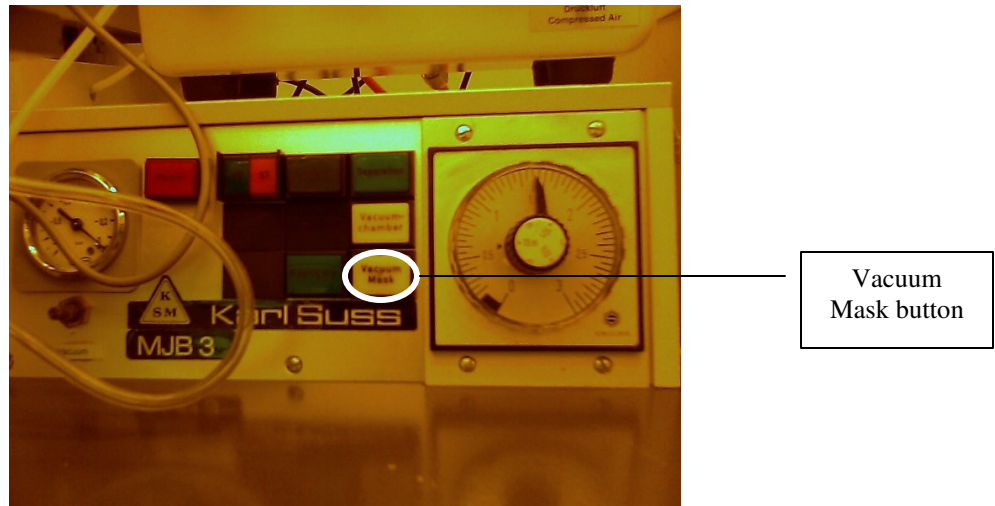


Figure 6 Vacuum Mask button

[7] Load Mask Holder onto the Karl Sus.

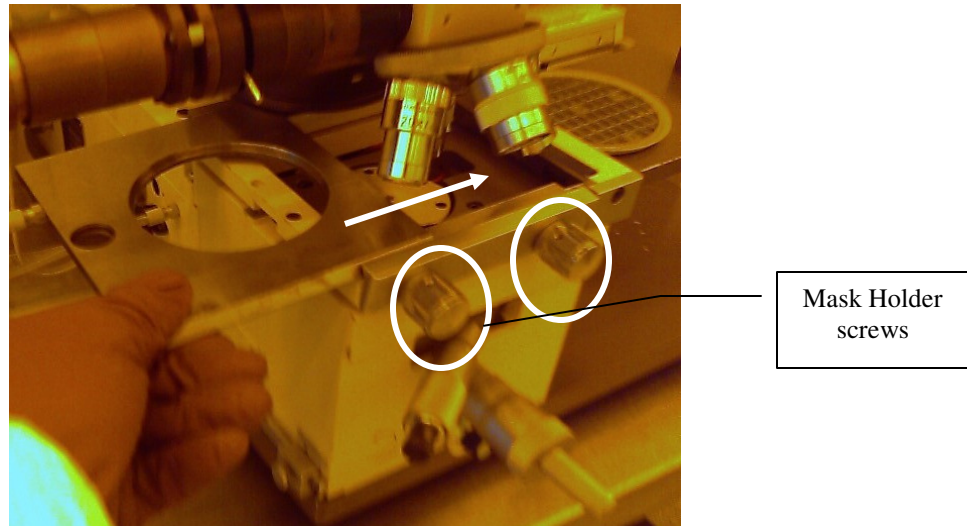


Figure 7 Mask Holder Screws and loading the Mask Holder

- h. Ensure you mask is centered on Mask Holder.
- i. Slide the Mask Holder, FACE DOWN, onto the Karl Sus.
 - vi. *Keep a finger on the mask in case the vacuum fails.*
- j. Secure the Mask Holder by tightening **Mask Holder screws**.

[8] Load wafer onto the Karl Sus.

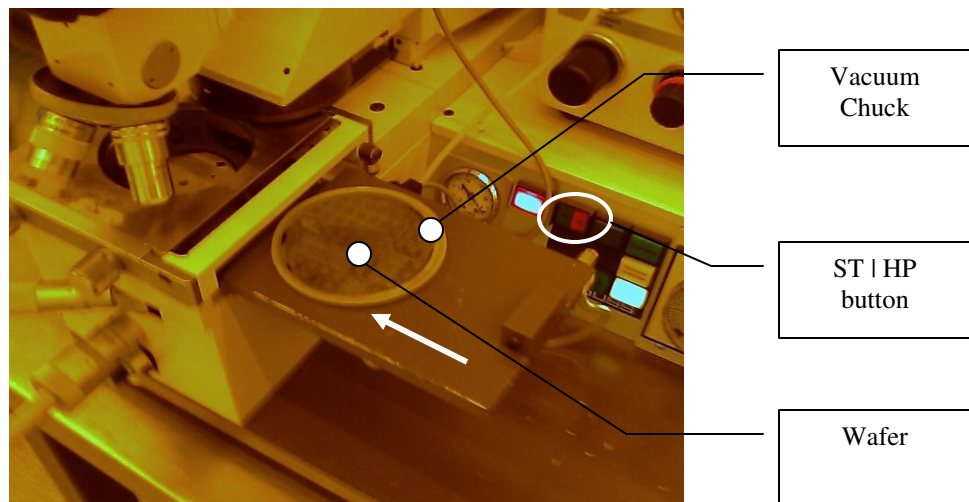


Figure 8 Vacuum Chuck and ST|HP button

- k. Center wafer on the **vacuum chuck**.
- l. Slide **vacuum chuck** into the Karl Sus.
- m. Select Standard or High Pressure contact via **ST|HP button**.
 - vii. *HP creates a vacuum between wafer and mask.*

[9] Bring wafer into contact with the mask.

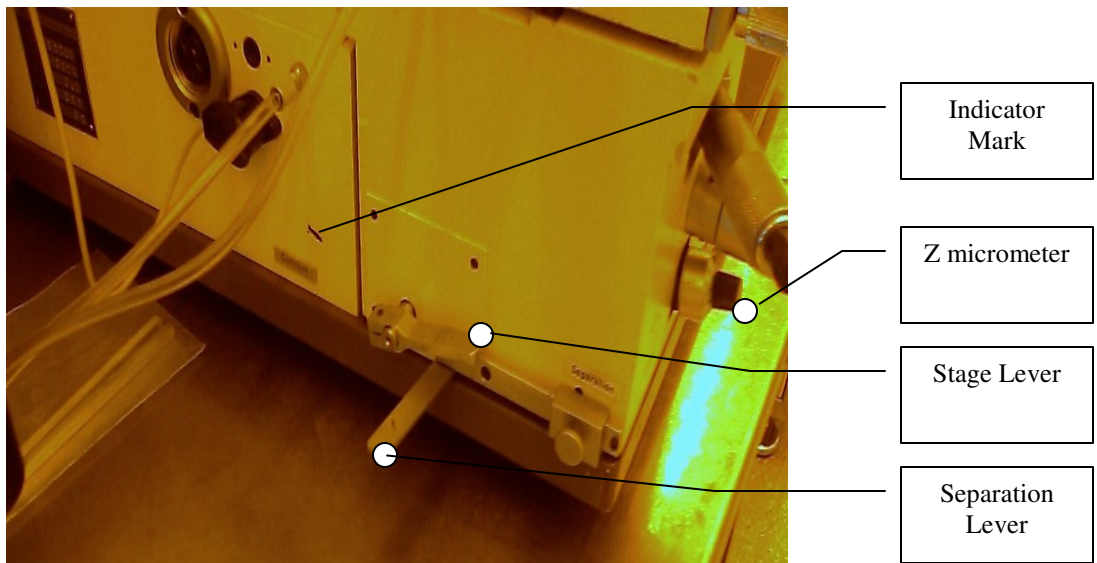


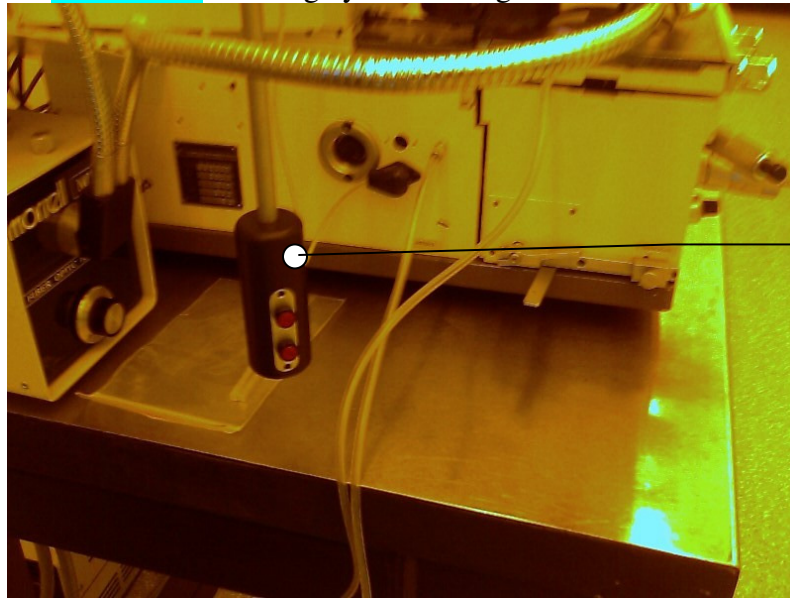
Figure 9 Stage Lever, Separation Levers, and Indicator Mark

- n. Carefully use **STAGE LEVER** to bring wafer into contact with mask.
 - viii. Wafer should start contacting mask at the indicator mark.
 - If not, use **Z micrometer** to adjust appropriately.
 - o. The **STAGE LEVER** should travel its full range. The **CONTACT button** will be lit if properly done.

[10] Align your mask.

- p. Pull the **SEPERATION LEVER** towards yourself to separate the wafer from the mask. **SEPARATATION button** should be lit.
- q. Use the **MICRSCOPE FOCUS knob** and **MAGNIFCATION LENSES** to view your sample.

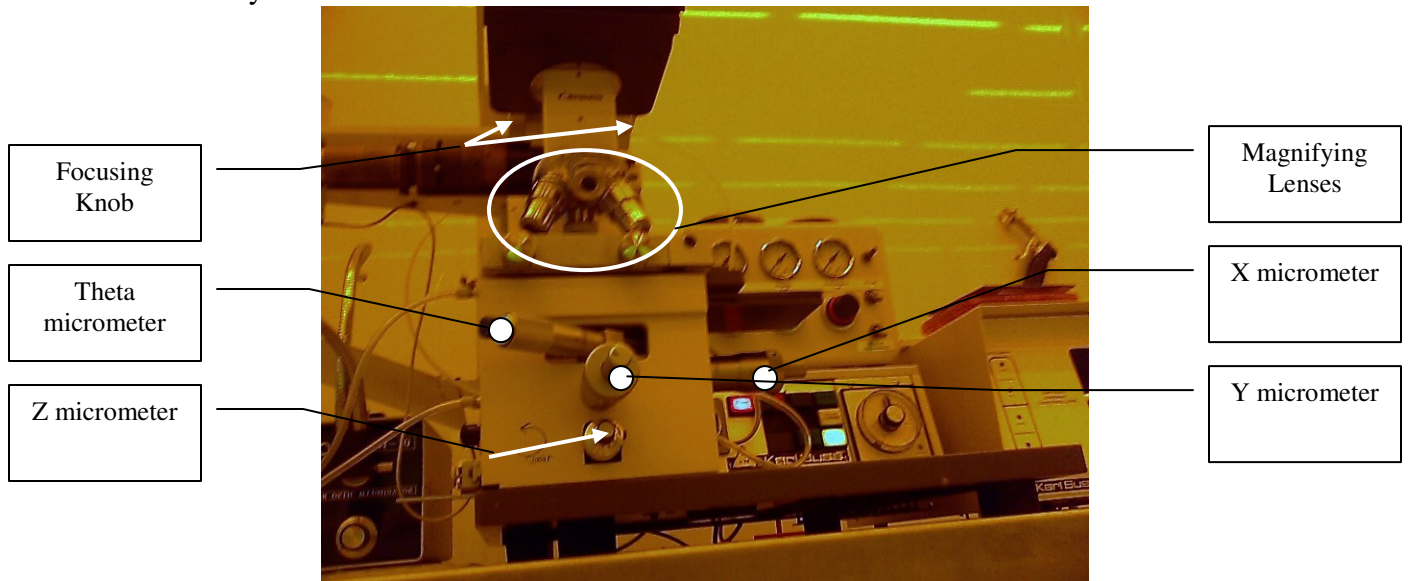
- r. Use the **JOYSTICK** to change your viewing field.



Joystick

Figure 10 Joystick

- ix. The top button allows movement in the Y direction
 - x. The bottom button allows movement in the X direction
 - xi. Press both buttons free movement.
- s. Move the wafer via the **X, Y** and **Theta Micrometers** to align your wafer to your mask.



Focusing Knob

Theta micrometer

Z micrometer

Magnifying Lenses

X micrometer

Y micrometer

Figure 11 Micrometers and Microscope Lenses

- t. Once aligned, move the **SEPARATION LEVER** back into the contact position. The **CONTACT button** should now be lit.

[11] Adjust the **Z Micrometer** up (counter-clockwise) until you feel resistance on the micrometer.

[12] Expose the resist.

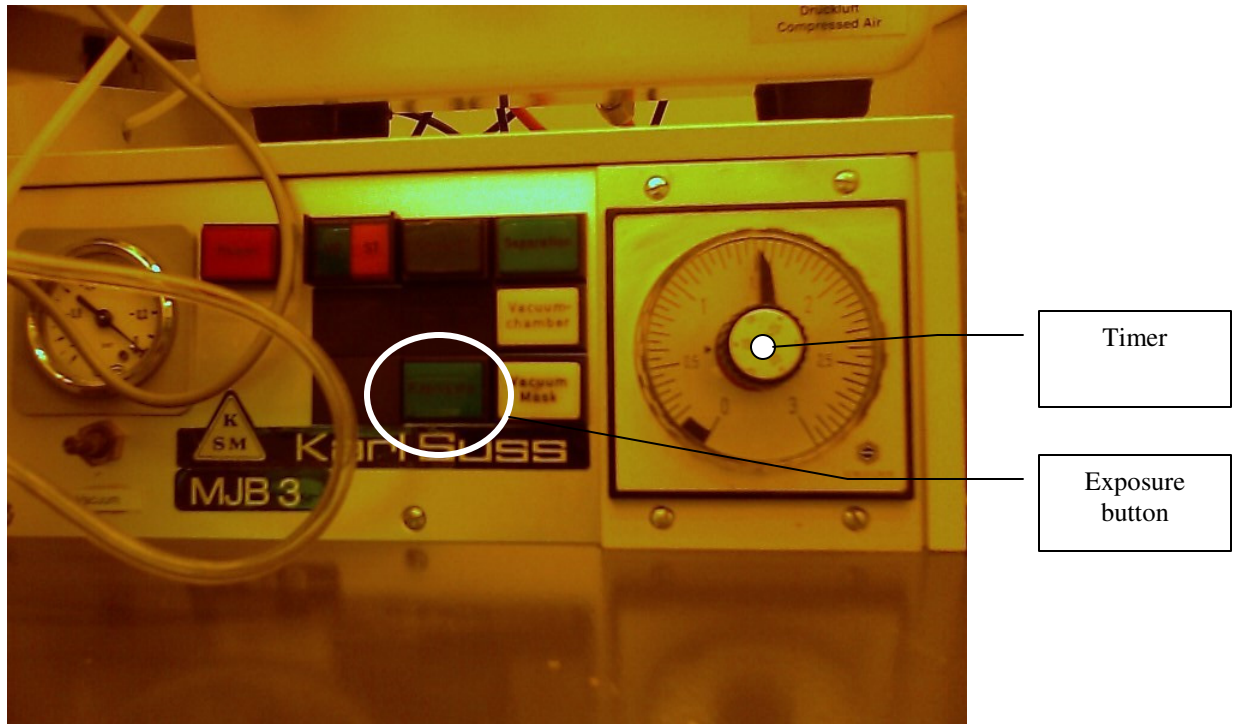


Figure 12 Timer

- u. Set the **TIMER** to desired exposure.
- v. Ensure the **JOYSTICK** is back in the center position and no obstructions are in front of it.
- w. When ready press the **EXPOSURE button**, to expose your resist.

II. Chapter 2: Power Down Sequence

- [13] Use the **STAGE LEVER** to lower the wafer from the mask.
- [14] Slide out the **VACUUM CHUCK** and remove your wafer.
- [15] Remove Mask.
 - a. Unscrew **Mask Holder screws**.
 - b. Place hand underneath mask holder.
 - c. Carefully slide out the **Mask Holder** and place the **Mask Holder**, MASK SIDE UP, on the table.
 - d. Press the **VACUUM MASK button** and remove your mask.
- [16] Press the **POWER button** on the Karl Suss.
- [17] Flip the **Lamp Power Switch** off (down).
- [18] Flip the **NITROGEN toggle** off (down).
- [19] Flip the **COMPRESSED AIR toggle** off (down).
- [20] Close Nitrogen, Compressed Air, and Vacuum lines at the wall.



Figure 13 Closed Lines