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**Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy of Trifluoroiodomethane ICP Discharge**<sup>1</sup> CASSIUS FAGIOLI, DAVID URRABAZO, MATTHEW GOECKNER, University Of Texas at Dallas — Trifluoroiodomethane (CF<sub>3</sub>I) is an experimental gas that currently is being considered for semiconductor etching. We will report the breakdown characteristics of CF<sub>3</sub>I in an ICP plasma. In this study, the gas chemistry was examined through the use of Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy. This allowed us to identify the fraction of CF<sub>3</sub>I remaining in the discharge as well as some of the daughter species produced. Our results indicate that the major multi-atomic species found in the system include Tetrafluoromethane (CF<sub>4</sub>) and Trifluoromethyl (CF<sub>3</sub>). Mass balance examination also suggests the creation of atomic and molecular Iodide.

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