Silanization Set-up

Silanization is a chemical process widely used in biosensor research to bind or immobilize bio-receptors on to sensor surfaces.

Specifications of the system

- Organic functional groups can be introduced on to glass and silicon oxide surfaces using different organo-silanes for covalent binding with antibodies.
- The home-made set-up for silanization is a glove box with built-in vacuum cum heating chamber to facilitate dehydration of samples and necessary inert ambience for chemical reaction. The temperature of heater is fully controlled using a PI controller and a thermocouple.

Process Capabilities:

- **Substrate used:** SiO2, SU-8, Oxynitride, HSQ, Spin-on- glass (SOG), Glass cover slips and silica optical fibers.
- Substrate size: Up to 2 inch wafer
- Substrate temperature: up to 200°C
- Materials that can be deposited/grown: Silane (For ex. Aminosilane, Organosilane)
- Gasses used: Ar (Argon)
- Chamber base vacuum: Up to 10⁻³ torr

