



# Advanced Wet-Cleaning Tools for Leading Edge IC Fabs

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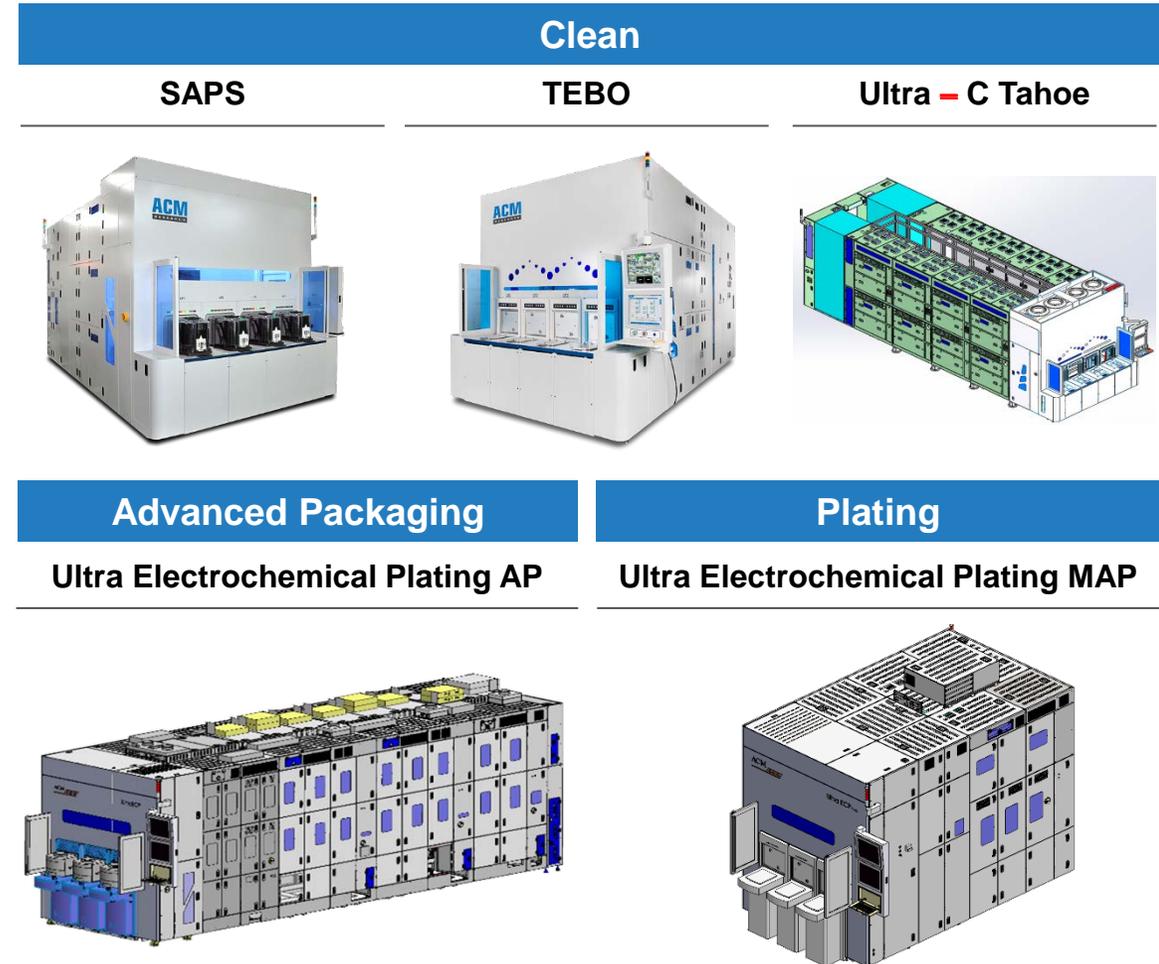
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# Who is ACM Research?

## Mission Statement: To Become a Leading Global Provider of Semiconductor Capital Equipment

- **Best-in-class semiconductor wafer cleaning tools** providing higher yields and better efficiency at advanced fabs than conventional wafer cleaning tools
- **Differentiated megasonic technology** delivers highly effective single-wafer wet cleaning for flat and patterned wafer surfaces (SAPS) and damage-free cleaning for 2D and advanced 3D patterned wafers (TEBO)
- **~\$3B single-wafer wet cleaning TAM<sup>(1)</sup>**, an estimated 50% of which is addressed by current products with future expansion from new products
- **More than 285 patents** issued in the U.S., China, Japan, Korea, Singapore and Taiwan as of 12/31/2019
- 136,000 sq. ft. across **two production facilities in Shanghai and long-term plans for Lingang Facility** offers significant capacity for growth
- **Headquartered in Fremont, CA** with more than 360 employees globally

(1) Source: Gartner. See "Market Data" on page 2.



# Tier One Customer Base

## Front-End Customers



- Major new entrant into NAND flash and DRAM industry
- Expanding capacity with construction of \$24B production facility in Wuhan<sup>(1)</sup>
- Proprietary Xtacking architecture used to produce 3D NAND products<sup>(2)</sup>
- ACM 2019 Revenue %: 28% (primarily 3D NAND)



- Leading advanced foundry in China
- Manages first fully automated 300mm wafer production line in mainland China<sup>(3)</sup>
- Production capacity for 35,000 wafers per month<sup>(3)</sup>
- ACM 2019 Revenue %: 27% (primarily Foundry / Logic)



- Global market leader in memory (DRAM & NAND) semiconductor products
- ACM's first major customer
- Expected to spend \$107B in the coming years to build four new memory chip plants<sup>(4)</sup>
- ACM 2019 Revenue %: 20% (primarily DRAM)

## Back-End Customers



- Largest bumping house in China and leading WLCSP production base
- Subsidiary of OSAT company JCET
- Owns one of the most advanced packaging technology R&D service platforms<sup>(6)</sup>
- Global customer base with exposure to the U.S., Western Europe and Asia



- Mainland China's largest foundry
- Tier one customer base including Qualcomm, Broadcom and Texas Instruments
- Six strategically located fabs in China and Western Europe
- Building \$10B fab to produce 14nm, 10nm and 7nm chips<sup>(5)</sup>



- New China-based entrant to DRAM industry
- Ordered 12-Chamber SAPS-V tool for evaluation
- ACM delivered first tool in Q4 2019

### Two New Analog/Power IC Manufacturing Customers

- Ordered a range of semi-critical tools including the scrubber, wet etch, and backside wafer etching tool, auto wet bench, SAPS-II cleaning tool and Cu interconnect ECP map tool.
- ACM expects significant shipment of first tools during 2H' 2020.



- Leading OSAT provider – #7 globally<sup>(7)</sup> and top 3 in China<sup>(8)</sup>
- Fastest growing OSAT provider globally with 32% year-over-year revenue growth<sup>(7)</sup>
- Six production facilities serving more than half of the top ten global semiconductor manufacturers<sup>(8)</sup>

(1) Source: Nikkei Asian Review. (2) Source: YMTC Press Release. (3) Source: HLMC Press Release. (4) Source: Reuters. (5) Source: AnandTech. (6) Source: JCAP Company Profile. (7) Source: Electronics Weekly. (8) Source: TFME website.

# Single-Wafer Wet Cleaning Products

Innovative, patent-protected tools address critical challenges in leading edge IC manufacturing

## SAPS



*Megasonic Cleaning for Flat and Patterned Wafer Surfaces*

- ✓ High efficiency with enhanced process flexibility
- ✓ Uniform and consistent results
- ✓ Customizable specifications

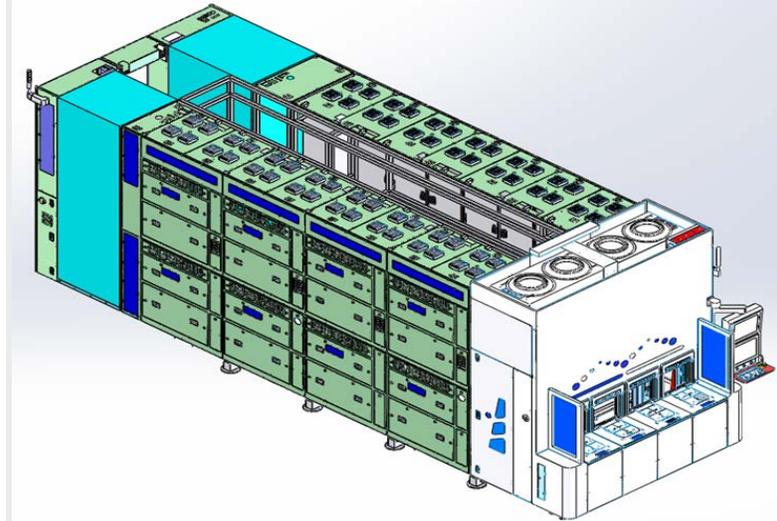
## TEBO



*Bubble Oscillation Cleaning for Patterned Wafers at Advanced Process Nodes*

- ✓ Highly effective, damage-free solution for small and fragile features
- ✓ Multi-parameter bubble cavitation control

## Ultra – C Tahoe

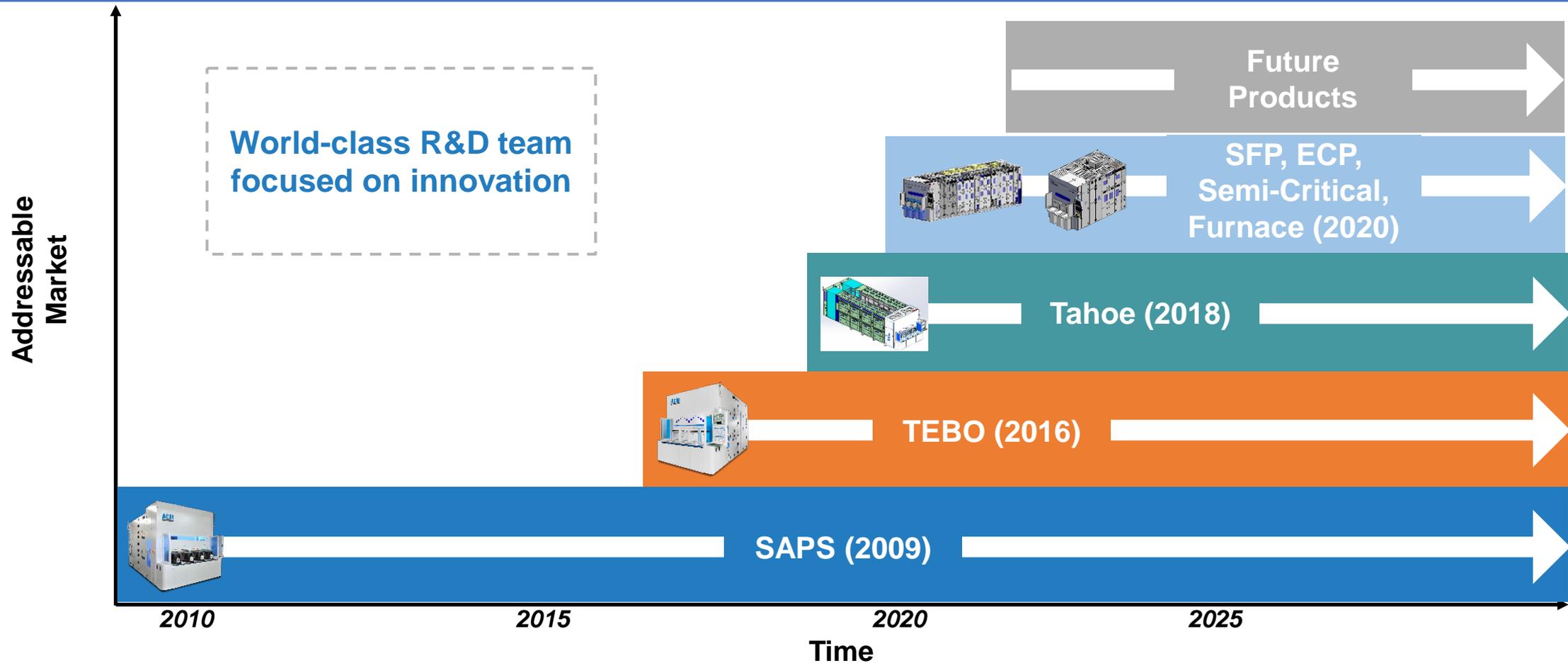


*Hybrid Wafer Cleaning With Significant Cost & Environmental Benefits*

- ✓ Environmentally friendly – uses 10% of the sulfuric acid used than conventional tools
- ✓ High cleaning performance at low cost

# Innovation and Product Introductions Expanding Addressable Market

ACM forecasts that SAPS, TEBO, Tahoe and Semi-Critical tools address more than 80% of the wet cleaning market  
SFP, ECP and Furnace further expand ACM's market opportunity



# Shanghai Manufacturing Facilities – Existing and Planned

## Factory #1 (Shanghai HQ)



- Original ACM factory
- 36,000 sq. ft. facility
- 8,000 sq. ft. of class 10,000 clean room space for product assembly and testing
- 800 sq. ft. of class 1 clean room space for product demonstration purposes
- Co-located with ACM Shanghai Headquarters and China R&D Center

## Facility #2



- Second factory; opened in September 2018
- 100,000 sq. ft. facility
- Shifting large portion of future production to this facility
- Additional dedicated space for product sub-assembly, component inventory and manufacturing related offices
- Added 2nd floor production in Q2 2020

## Lingang Under Construction



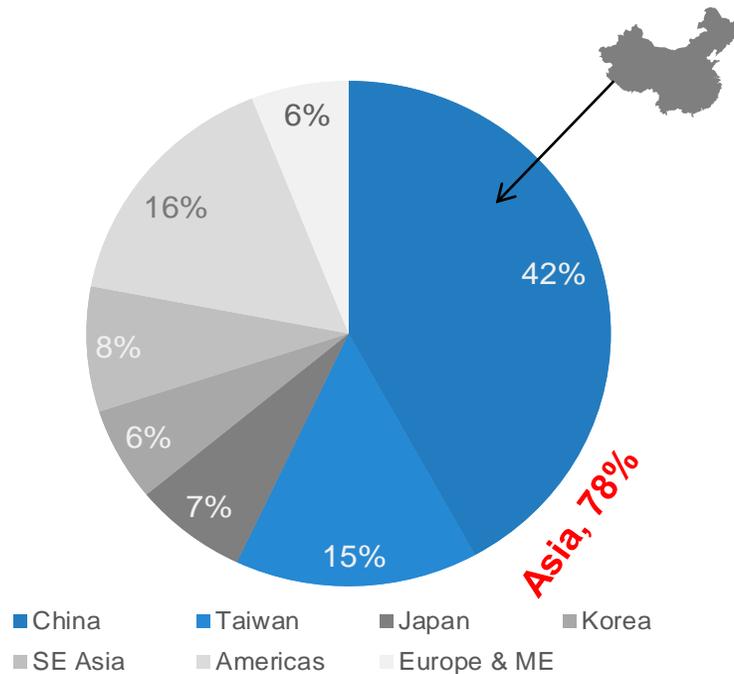
- Broke ground on the new R&D and production facilities in Lingang region of Shanghai in July 2020
- The site is approximately 30 miles from ACM Shanghai's HQ in Zhangjiang.
- 1 million square feet
- Expects initial production activities to commence in late 2022.

# Well-Positioned to Participate in Asia Fab Investments

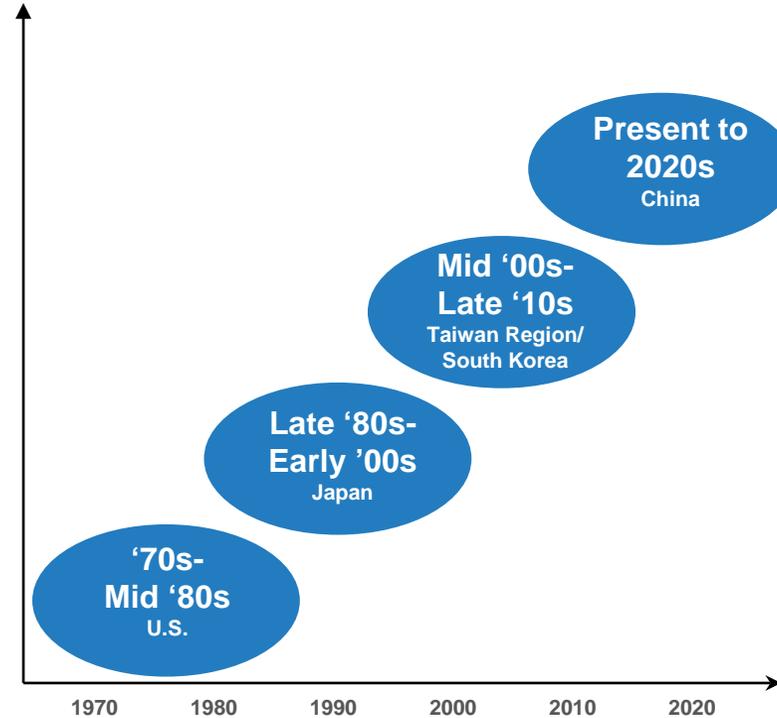
## Semiconductor Industry Development

(\$ in billions)

**New Facilities and Production Lines Starting Operation (2017-2020)<sup>(1)</sup>**



**Industry Center Shifts Through the Decades<sup>(1)</sup>**



**China is the Fastest Growing Geography<sup>(2)</sup>**

Rank	Country or Region	2020 Size	16-'20 CAGR
1	Taiwan Region	\$14.1	4%
2	China	\$13.1	19%
3	South Korea	\$11.9	11%
4	North America	\$7.7	15%
5	Japan	\$6.6	9%
	Rest of World	\$6.5	3%



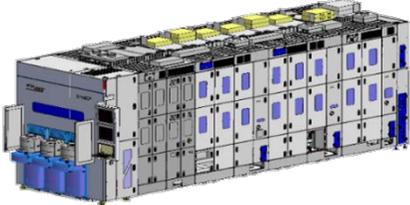
**Strong presence in Asia and close proximity to Chinese customers add to key competitive advantages.**

(1) Source: SEMI – World Fab Forecast Report. (2) Source: SEMI – 12/11/2019 Global Semiconductor Equipment Sales Forecast.

# Growth Strategy

## New Product Introductions Increasing TAM

- Next generation TEBO and Tahoe products expand SAM in wafer clean
- Front- and back-end plating and semi-critical tools offer growth opportunities in adjacent process steps



## Continue to Build Scale in Asia

- Gain meaningful share by offering differentiated, leading edge technology and localized service with fast-growing Asian-based customers



## Add New Customers

- Megasonic approaches SAPS, TEBO, Tahoe and ECP a driving meaningful engagement with Global Tier 1 foundry, logic and memory companies

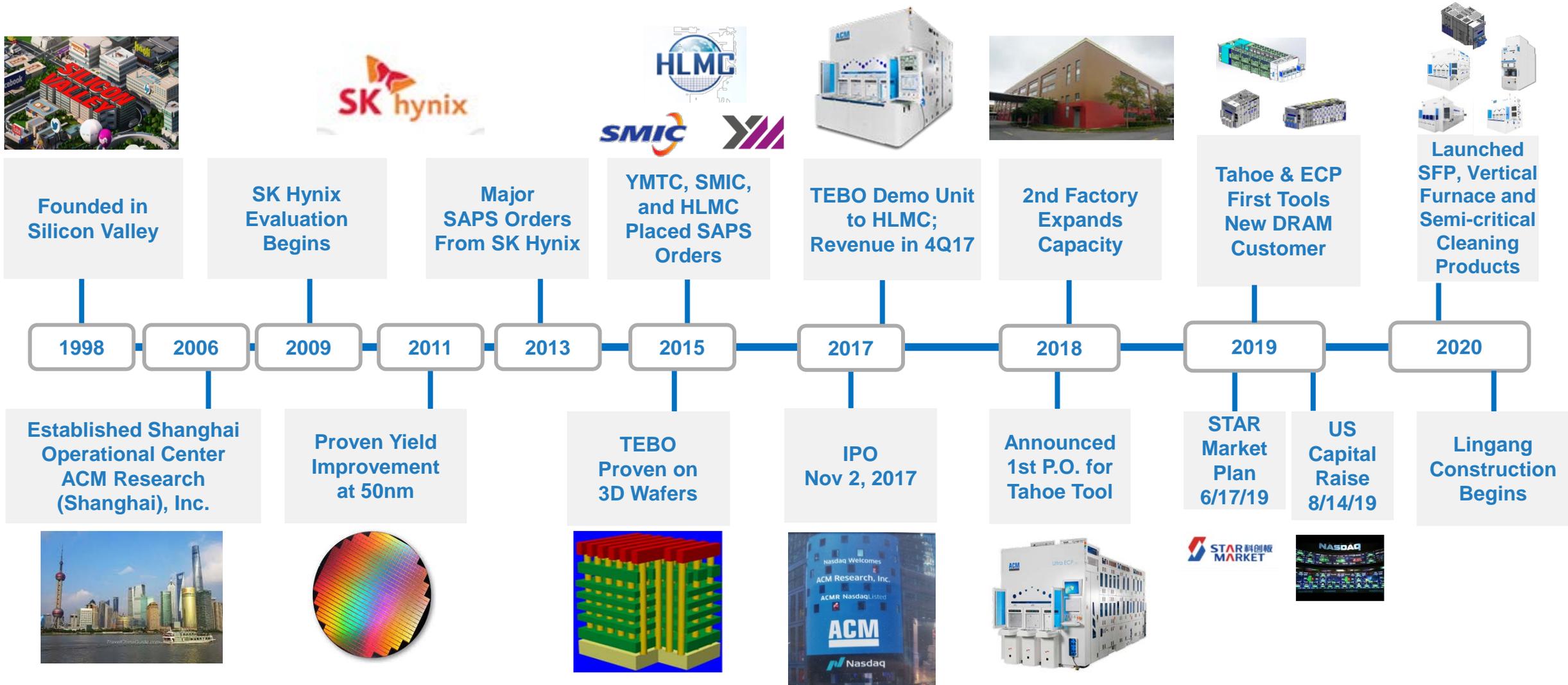


## Selective Acquisitions

- Use M&A to broaden product portfolio, add complementary technologies and increase access to the global market



# History of Innovation & Customer Adoption



# Q2 2020 Highlights

- **Strong Q2 Results:**

- \$39.0 million revenue, up 35% from Q2 2019; total shipments of \$45 million
- 49.6% GAAP gross margin and 18.8% GAAP operating margin
- 49.7% non-GAAP gross margin and 21.0% non-GAAP operating margin
- Ended Q2 with \$86 million of cash

- **Key Operational Progress:**

- Repeat Tahoe shipment in Q2; multiple tools planned for 2H'2020
- “First tool” acceptance for ECP map Q2; additional tool delivered to another China foundry customer in July
- Purchase order for SAPS-VI to support production ramp at a key memory customer
- Purchase orders and final stage bidding total of \$36 million in from two new customers for semi-critical & SAPS-II tools
- SAPS II tool for R&D delivered to US demo lab of leading OEM

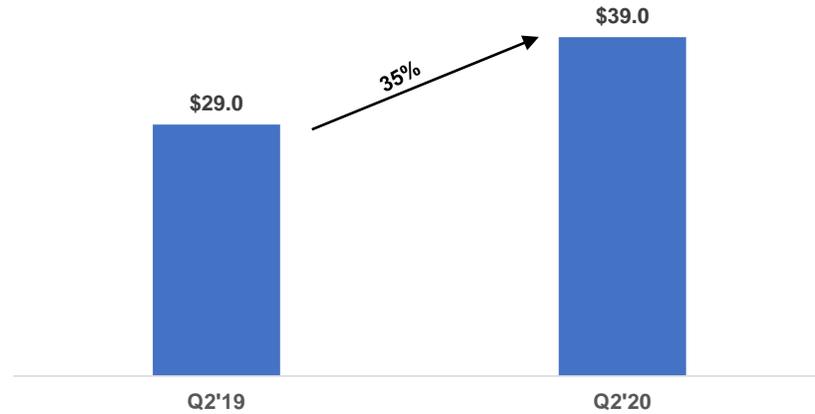
- **Update on Strategic Initiatives:**

- Began construction for 1 million square foot of R&D and production facilities in Lingang
- Submitted application in May for STAR Market IPO
- Invested RMB 100 million (\$14.2 million) to a special fund for investment in SMIC’s Shanghai STAR Market IPO

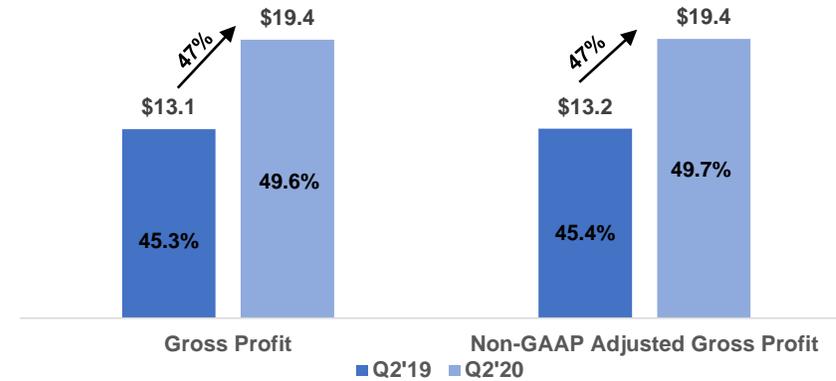
# Q2 2020 Financial Results

\$ Millions

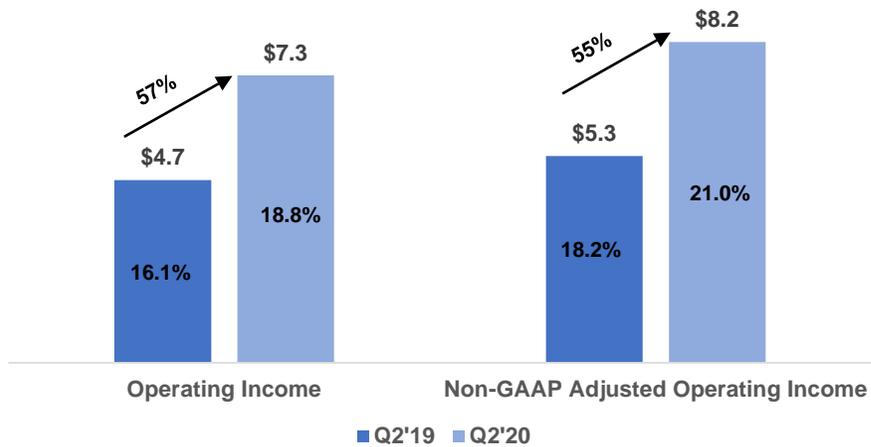
## Revenue



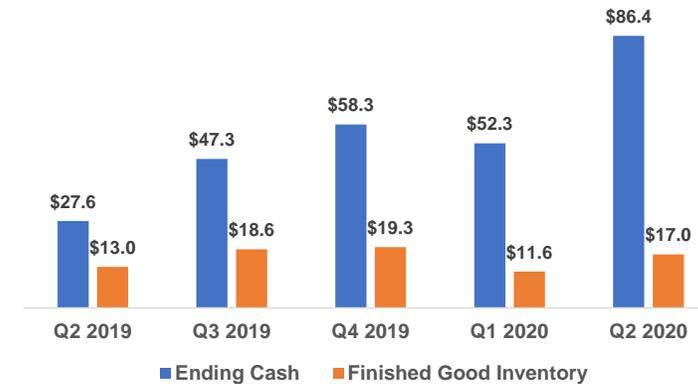
## Gross Profit



## Operating Income

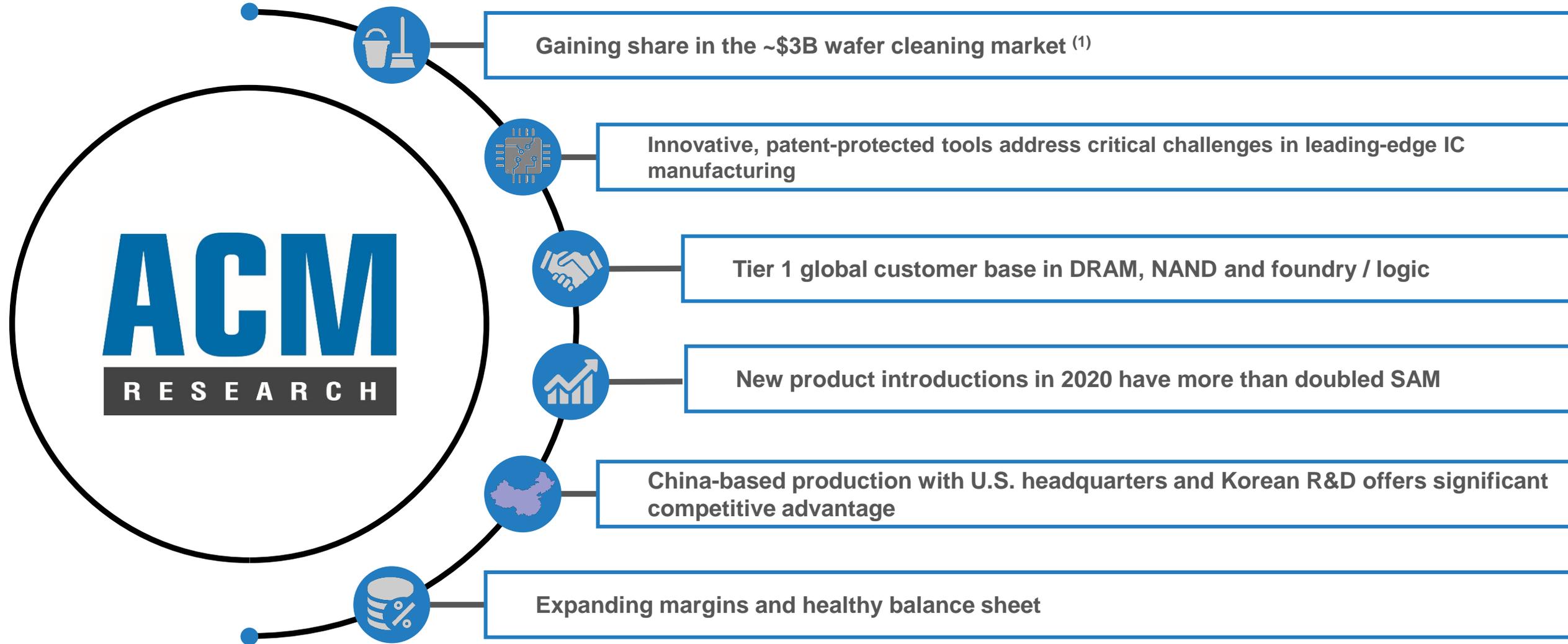


## Balance Sheet Data\*



\* Finished goods inventory represents 'demo-to-sales' product which have been delivered to customers for evaluation. These products are carried at cost until ownership is transferred.

# Investment Highlights



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# GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation (1)

(\$ in millions)

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>6 months Ended 6/30/2020</u>	<u>6 months Ended 6/30/2019</u>
GAAP Income from Operations	\$0.7	\$6.5	\$17.8	\$8.6	\$6.9
Plus: Stock-based Compensation	\$1.6	\$3.4	\$3.6	\$1.5	\$1.4
<b>Adjusted Income from Operations</b>	<b>\$2.3</b>	<b>\$9.8</b>	<b>\$21.4</b>	<b>\$10.1</b>	<b>\$8.3</b>
GAAP Net Income (Loss)	(\$0.3)	\$6.6	\$19.5	\$2.5	\$6.2
Plus: Interest Expense (Income), Net	\$0.3	\$0.5	\$0.4	(\$0.3)	\$0.3
Plus: Income Tax Expense	\$0.5	\$0.8	(\$0.5)	\$2.2	\$1.0
Plus: Depreciation and Amortization	\$0.3	\$0.4	\$0.8	\$0.4	\$0.4
Plus: Stock-based Compensation	\$1.6	\$3.4	\$3.6	\$1.5	\$1.4
Plus: Change in fair value of financial liability	-	-	-	\$5.4	-
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$2.4</b>	<b>\$11.6</b>	<b>\$23.7</b>	<b>\$11.7</b>	<b>\$9.2</b>
GAAP Net Income (Loss)	(\$0.3)	\$6.6	\$19.5	\$2.5	\$6.2
Plus: Change in fair value of financial liability	-	-	-	\$5.4	-
Plus: Stock-based Compensation	\$1.6	\$3.4	\$3.6	\$1.5	\$1.4
<b>Adjusted Net Income</b>	<b>\$1.3</b>	<b>\$9.9</b>	<b>\$23.0</b>	<b>\$9.4</b>	<b>\$7.5</b>

# GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation (2)

(\$ in millions)

	Three Months Ended June 30,			
	GAAP		Non-GAAP(1)	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>			
Revenue	\$ 39,049	\$ 29,010	\$ 39,049	\$ 29,010
Gross margin	49.6%	45.3%	49.7%	45.4%
Income from operations	\$ 7,336	\$ 4,661	\$ 8,191	\$ 5,279
Net income attributable to ACM Research, Inc.	\$ (81)	\$ 4,311	\$ 6,205	\$ 4,929
Basic EPS	\$ (0.00)	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.31
Diluted EPS	\$ (0.00)	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.29	\$ 0.26
Shares included in the basic EPS	18,051	16,091	18,051	16,091
Shares included in the diluted EPS	21,516	18,604	21,516	18,604

(1) Non-GAAP financial measures exclude stock-based compensation.

# GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation (3)

	Three Months Ended June 30,						
	2020			2019			
	Actual (GAAP)	SBC	Change in fair value of financial liability	Adjusted (Non-GAAP)	Actual (GAAP)	SBC	Adjusted (Non-GAAP)
	<i>(In thousands)</i>						
Revenue	\$ 39,049	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39,049	\$ 29,010	\$ -	\$ 29,010
Cost of revenue	(19,693)	(43)	-	(19,650)	(15,879)	(29)	(15,850)
Gross profit	19,356	(43)	-	19,399	13,131	(29)	13,160
Operating expenses:							
Sales and marketing	(4,595)	(164)	-	(4,431)	(2,924)	(46)	(2,878)
Research and development	(5,221)	(188)	-	(5,033)	(3,341)	(94)	(3,247)
General and administrative	(2,204)	(460)	-	(1,744)	(2,205)	(449)	(1,756)
Income from operations	\$ 7,336	\$ (855)	\$ -	\$ 8,191	\$ 4,661	\$ (618)	\$ 5,279
Change in fair value of financial liability	(5,431)	-	(5,431)	-	-	-	-
<b>Net income (loss) attributable to ACM Research, Inc.</b>	<b>\$ (81)</b>	<b>\$ (855)</b>	<b>\$ (5,431)</b>	<b>\$ 6,205</b>	<b>\$ 4,311</b>	<b>\$ (618)</b>	<b>\$ 4,929</b>