

Figure 1. SEM images of evaluated silicon oxide features with varying the critical dimension. Column a: 150nm; Column b: 100nm; Column c: 60nm; Column d: 40nm). Row 1: SiO<sub>2</sub> features have been etched using CHF<sub>3</sub>-based ALE. Row 2: SiO<sub>2</sub> has been etched with standard continues CHF<sub>3</sub>/Ar Reactive Ion Etching. Row 3:SiO<sub>2</sub> features etched using CHF<sub>3</sub>-based ALE with higher DC bias.