- 3rd Tri-National Workshop on Standards for Nanotechnology – Documentary Standards Activity for

Scanned Probe Microscopy:

ISO TC201/SC9 and SG3: Guidelines for Image/Artifact Interpretation

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Sub-Committees of ISO/TC201

ISO/TC201 – Surface Chemical Analysis

Current TC201 Sub-committees:

- SC1 Terms and Definitions
- SC2 General Procedures
- SC3 Data Management*
- SC4 Depth Profiling
- SC5 Auger electron spectroscopy
- *SC6 SIMS*
- *SC7 XPS*
- SC8 Glow Discharge Spectroscopy

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• SC9 – Scanned Probe Microscopy

*Technology cross-cutting sub committee



Timeline of SC9 Activities

• October 2003 – Sub-committee SC9 on scanned probe microscopy chartered by TC201 October 2004 – First meeting of SC9 - Five Study Groups chartered - U.S. designated to lead SG3 - R. Dixson nominated SG3 chair • Sept. 2005 – Chairs of SGs present first year findings at meeting of TC/201/SC9 • Nov. 2006 – Chairs of SGs present second year findings at TC/201/SC9 meeting - WG1 launched from SG4 • Nov. 2007 – Chairs of SGs present third year findings at meeting of TC/201/SC9 • Sept. 2008 – Chairs of SGs present fourth year findings to SC9 – SG6 on electrical SPM is launched



Scope of SC9: SGs and Work Items

TC201/SC9 sub structure:

Initial Study Groups:

- SG1 Business Plan
- SG2 SPM Calibration
- SG3 Artifacts in AFM Imaging
- SG4 NSOM
- SG5 SPM Probe/Tip effects
- SG6 Electrical SPM

Working Groups and Work Items:

- *WG1 NSOM*
 - AWI: Definition/calibration of spatial resolution
 - KATS, J. Kim
- SC3/WG1 Data Transfer

NWIP: Standard Format for SPM Data Sharing



Scope of SC9: New Work Item Proposals

TC201/SC9 Current New Work Item Proposals (NWIP):

- *SG2 SPM calibration*
 - SPM drift rate definition and appropriate calibration methods for its determination (Prof. Huang)
 - SPM calibration guideline (Dr. Dziomba)
 - Reference Materials and Calibration Methods for SPM (Dr. Itoh)
 - Standards on the measurement of angle between an AFM tip and surface and its certified reference material (Dr. Seongmin Cho)
- SG5 SPM Probe/Tip effects
 - Procedure for in situ characterization for AFM probes used for nanostructure measurement (Dr. Ichimura & Dr. Itoh) SG5



Round robin sample evaluation is underway.

• Atomic force Microscopy-Determination of cantilever normal spring constant (Dr. Clifford) SG5



NWIP: AFM Tip Characterization



Basic Idea:

Use apparent depth of variable width trenches to characterize tip shape. (SG3 Chair sees empirical nature of method as advantageous.)



Fig. 1 Definition of tip length and width, and a trace of AFM tip for hollow structures.





SG6 New Work Item: Resolution Standards for Electrical SPM Methods (e.g. SCM, SSRM)



Proposer: Dr. Dal Hyun Kim, KRISS



Undoped silicon grown on doped substrate could have a sharp transition in resistivity that could be useful as a probe resolution standard.



Fig. 1 Sharp edge method applied to ESPM





Fluorescent imaging of polymer blend film for NSOM resolution standard. Different optical properties of the separated phases provide a sharp edge.

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Ongoing Activities in SG3

As a result of the year two survey and year three poll of SG3 experts, the SG3 chair proposed the initiation of two new work items during year four of SG3:

(1) Overview of scan parameter artifacts in AFM imaging.

(1b) Optimization procedure for parameters – and will follow item 1a.

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Tentative success generating SPM vendor interest.

(2) Overview of non-topographic contrast and artifacts in AFM imaging.



Tri-National Needs Perceived by SG3 Chair From the perspective of North American cooperation within international standards bodies, the Chair of ISO/TC201/SC9/SG3 perceives several needs:

• Mexican/Canadian SPM Expert participation in SC9 (Note that neither Canada or Mexico is P or O member of TC201 – but this only affects voting rights. Participation of non-member experts is allowed/encouraged by ISO paradigm)

• Industry or user-targeted US and/or North American 'mirror' of SC9 – and hold satellite meetings in conjunction with relevant SPM conferences. (Chair is regular at SPIE Advanced Litho – but this may not be optimal venue. Current ASTM E42 mirror is held with AVS.) Chair hopes to explore SEMI liaison.



Tri-National Needs Perceived by SG3 Chair From the perspective of North American cooperation within international standards bodies, the Chair of ISO/TC201/SC9/SG3 perceives several needs:

• Formal ISO liaison between TC213 and TC201 - US/ANSI is only P member of both – NIST has personnel deployed within TC213 and TC201 and may be well positioned to drive such cooperation. (Currently, only TC202 has TC201 liaison.)

• There is a general perception in some sectors that the European delegations to ISO have had more success getting their standards adopted in contexts relative to trade with the Far East. Tri-national cooperation could help bolster North American influence in this arena.



Broader Perceptions of SG3 Chair

From a broader perspective – including North American cooperation- the Chair of ISO/TC201/SC9/SG3 observes:

The risk of limited relevance appears to exceed the risk of standards output detrimental to North American interests.
SC3 file format – limited vendor participation.

• Some of the other national delegations to TC201/SC9 appear to place a relatively lower priority on broad-based engagement and buy in to committee standards activities.

• Optimum strategy for protection of our Tri-National interests vis-à-vis ISO/TC201 is unclear – but expanded North American cooperation could be beneficial.



Recap of Possible Discussion Points for at Tri-National Workshop

- SC9 experts from Canada and Mexico. *Further* suggestions from those delegations?
- Tri-national SC9 mirror group & possible SPM conference linkage with satellite meetings. *What conference venues have broadest relevant tri-national participation?*
- Formal liaisons between TC201/TC213 and/or TC229 – driven by US/ANSI/NIST?

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• Other issues?



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