

# ELECTRON MICROSCOPIST

The National Center for Electron Microscopy (NCEM) currently has an opening for an Electron Microscopist/Materials Scientist to develop and lead a research program on the electron optical characterization and experimental control of materials microstructures.

The selected candidate will focus on the development and creative use of high resolution transmission electron microscopy as a quantitative technique and a major research tool including installation, testing and utilization of a new high resolution instrument. Other duties include providing project leadership in the development of new imaging methods and their applications to critical problems; presenting experimental results; developing proposals and preparing reports to funding agencies; initiating user collaborations both within the Center and Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory and with the external scientific community; and supervising technical staff.

We require an outstanding record of original research in materials sciences and electron microscopy; a strong background in transmission electron microscopy; knowledge of theoretical and practical principles of electron optical instrumentation and their application to significant problems in fundamental or applied materials research; demonstrated experience in experimental and theoretical high resolution imaging and analysis; proven experience in initiating and sustaining successful scientific collaborations; ability to be a team leader and team member; and good verbal/written communication skills. Ph.D. in physical sciences desired.

This is a 1-year term appointment with possibility of renewal and/or conversion to career. Submit your resume, publication record and names of three references to: **Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, Staffing Office, Box #JMRS2266, One Cyclotron Road, Bldg. 938A, Berkeley, CA 94720.** *LBL is an EEO/AA employer committed to the development of a diverse workforce.*



**LAWRENCE BERKELEY LABORATORY**  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA  
U. S. Department of Energy

**Positions Available**

**SILICON SUBSTRATE  
LABORATORY SUPERVISOR**

**Duties:** Supervise and train laboratory technicians in analyzing and characterizing silicon samples using (1) total reflection x-ray fluorescence machine and maintaining same, (2) scanning electron microscope, (3) energy dispersive x-ray machine, (4) surface photovoltaic lifetime tester, (5) gas fusion analysis, (6) angle lapping technique for defect analysis, (7) photoluminescence, (8) Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy, (9) oxide breakdown voltage test, (10) capacitance vs. voltage measurement, (11) capacitance vs. time measurement. Analyze data, recommend procedures to solve quality and yield problems, prepare progress reports, develop and improve techniques to measure and evaluate silicon substrate materials, and participate in scientific societies and seminars to learn new relevant technology, increase personal skills, and enhance company image in these areas.

**Requirements:** PhD degree with major field of study in electrical engineering or materials science. Three years' work experience in semiconductor silicon substrate laboratory research and: (1) ability to conduct research and prepare written reports concerning electrical and chemical characteristics, yield and quality problems, and production techniques, of polished and epitaxial silicon substrate materials, as evidenced by the completion of at least two major research projects which have been peer reviewed and presented to one or more relevant scientific seminars and/or published in a scientific journal; (2) experience in connection with the analysis and characterization of polished and epitaxial silicon substrate materials using and maintaining total reflection x-ray fluorescence machine; and using (1) scanning electron microscope, (2) energy dispersive x-ray machine, (3) surface photovoltaic lifetime tester, (4) gas fusion analysis, (5) angle lapping technique for defect analysis, (6) photoluminescence, (7) Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy, (8) oxide breakdown voltage test, (9) capacitance vs. voltage measurement, (10) capacitance vs. time measurement; (3) Familiarity with the various gallium arsenide compounds and their uses, analysis and characterization in silicon substrate materials.

Salary: \$50,419.20/year. Full time position: 40 hours/week. Location: Salem, Oregon

DIRECT RESUMES AND REFERENCES TO: Job Order No. 5550678  
Oregon State Employment Division, Department of Human Resources  
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**ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR  
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Prof. Robert E. Green Jr.  
Director, Center for  
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Interested persons should send a complete resume including a list of publications and names and addresses of three persons who could supply letters of reference. This material should be sent to: *Professor Merton C. Flemings, Head, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Building 8-309, 77 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139-4307.*

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A degree in engineering, material or physical science is required with a minimum of 6 years experience in deposition of thin films, plasma vacuum technology, metallurgy of thin films and material testing. Medical device, FDA/GMP experience is a plus.

Please send resume in confidence to: **Vern Brewers, Medtronic, Inc., 6700 Shingle Creek Pkwy., Brooklyn Center, MN 55430.** Equal Opportunity Employer M/F.



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**Electrochemist/Materials Scientist**—Extensive industrial R&D experience in batteries, plating, corrosion, erosion, photo-chemical and photo-electrochemical etching, thin-film hard coating, electro-galvanizing, and electrochemical metallurgy. Responsibilities include project management, proposal and report writing, and supervising. PhD in materials science and metallurgical engineering. U.S. citizen. Seeking career opportunity in production or research. Also considering joint effort in promoting technologies and marketing in Far East area. **Employers—Please reply to Box XIX, 601.**

## Positions Wanted

**Versatile Bulldog/PhD/Multidisciplinary Skills** and 12-year record, developing/commercializing composites, and engineering thermoplastics and thermosets for emerging markets—e.g., ESD, EMI, fiber optics. Seek senior technical position and project management responsibilities in dynamic company. Experienced liaison to manufacturing, marketing, customers, US/foreign licensing and ventures. Willing to relocate, travel (25%). **Employers—Please reply to Box XIX, 604.**

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**Materials Scientist (PhD 1991)** seeks challenging and continuing research and development position. Experience with solid-state chemical sensors, electroluminescent display devices and photovoltaics. Extensive experience with many thin-film deposition and characterization techniques. Broad educational background in materials science and physical and solid-state chemistry. **Employers—Please reply to Box XIX, 602.**

**Physicist, PhD in materials science** (electronic materials) seeks industrial/academic research position. Substantial experience with metal/II-VI semiconductor interfaces, phase equilibria, reaction diffusion, thin film deposition of intermetallic phases, DTA, XRD, SEM/EDS, AES and analysis of electrical contact properties. Fluent German and English, basic Spanish. **Employers—Please reply to Box XIX, 603.**

## Ad Closing for the August Issue is July 1

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## POSTERMINARIES

## Of Language and Languages

An acquaintance of mine submitted a paper to a certain journal, regarded by many as the publishing paragon of the physics profession. The paper was accepted but there was one small difficulty. The editor took exception to the figure of speech which he had employed in order to create a simple picture of some otherwise obscure mathematics. He had referred to a "drunkard on a staircase."

At a time when most scientific articles are so soporific that train drivers and pilots should be forbidden even to look at them, why do editors object to language that has a bit of bite to it, or a personal flavour? Perhaps in this case it was considered to be a gratuitous insult to certain unfortunates? "Well," said my friend, "I tried a 'meandering aunt' and the answer from the Word Control Police was still 'no.'" I replied that I'd had a few of those wandering ladies in my own family, and found the analogy charming. No, he insisted, it was a "meandering ant."

Aunts may well be a sensitive social group to be respected at all times, but ants are surely not. Admittedly, if faced by a column of African army ants I would not choose to dispute the matter. How can a reference to a single lost member of the species be unacceptable?

So why then are sinister forces at work to maintain anodyne and anorexic English in our primary journals?

What possible justification could there be? I can think of only one, namely that English is the established *lingua franca* of science and as such it ought to operate on a restricted vocabulary and imagery, in the interests of accessibility.

The days are long past when Robert Boyle apologised at length for writing in his own language or when Maxwell learned Dutch in order to read the dissertation of van der Waals. We live in the age whimsically foreseen by the eccentric genius of electromagnetic theory, Oliver Heaviside, a century ago:

"Though sad, it is a fact that few Britons have any linguistic talent. It is not due to laziness but to a real mental incapacity. In fact one language is quite enough. Foreigners, on the other hand, seem to be gifted linguists, so much so that they have invented a large number of lingos and are commonly skilled in several at once. Very well, I would say let them give us poor islanders the benefit of their skills in doing all their best work into English, and why not make English the international scientific language? It would be all the same to the foreigners and a great boon to Great Britain and Irelanders, and the other English speaking peoples."

And so it came to pass. Does the price

have to be the enforced boredom of a pallid, skeletal version of the language?

There are few signs of any resistance to this tendency. Most of us hardly expect anyone to look at our stuff anyway. The potential readers are too busy extending their own *curricula vitae* with papers that we shall not read either. Our appreciation of the current literature is approximately equivalent to that of a meandering ant in a library.

How depressing. Never mind—you can always write a piece, replete with rich irony and subtle allusion, for the *MRS Bulletin*.

DENIS L. WEAIRE  
Professor, Trinity College Dublin  
Editor, *Journal of Physics: Condensed Matter*

EDITOR'S NOTE: Predictably, we found it impossible to keep our editorial pens strictly capped and must confess to consistently moving commas and periods inside quotation marks. We also added some quotation marks in the second paragraph, but we changed no words and retained the flavour of the original spelling.

Your words on matters of interest to materials scientists are welcome. Write to: Editor, *MRS Bulletin*, Materials Research Society, 9800 McKnight Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237-6006. Phone (412) 367-3003; fax (412) 367-4373.