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# **Park NX-HDM** Automatic Defect Review and Sub-Angstrom Surface Roughness Measurement for Media and Substrates





# Park NX-HDM

Simply the best AFM for automatic defect review and surface roughness measurement

### **Automatic Defect Review for Media and Substrates**

- Fast defect imaging in non-contact mode
- Automated survey scan of defects mapped by optical inspection tools
- Automated zoom-in scan of specified defects
- Automated analysis of imaged defect types
- Links to a wide range of automated optical inspection (AOI) tools

### **Accurate Sub-Angstrom Surface Roughness Measurement**

- Automated surface roughness measurements for media and substrates
- Industry's lowest system noise of less than 0.5 angstrom rms
- Immunity from parameter-dependent results by True Non-Contact<sup>™</sup> technology
- True Non-Contact<sup>™</sup> maintains accuracy without degradation in scan resolution
- Automatic tip exchange module (optional)

### Cost Savings with True Non-Contact<sup>™</sup> Mode

- 10 times or longer tip life during general purpose and defect imaging than any other AFMs
- Minimal tip wear from prolonged high-quality scans
- Minimized sample damage or modification

### Accurate AFM Topography with Low Noise Z Detector

- True Sample Topography<sup>™</sup> without edge overshoot or piezo creep error
- Accurate surface height recording, even during high-speed scanning
- Industry leading forward and backward scan gap of less than 0.15%

# **Park NX-HDM** The most innovative AFM technology in one powerful package



#### Automatic Measurement Control so you can get accurate scans with less work

The NX-HDM is equipped with automated software that makes operation nearly effortless. Just select the desired measurement program to get precise multi-site analysis with optimized setting for cantilever tuning, scan rate, gain, and set point parameters.

Park's user-friendly software interface gives you the flexibility to create customized operation routines so you can access the full power of the NX-HDM and get the measurements you need.

Creating new routines is easy. It takes about 10 minutes to create a new routine from scratch, or less than 5 minutes to modify an existing one.

#### Park NX-HDM's automated system features:

- Auto, semi-auto, and manual mode so you have complete control
- Editable measurement method for each automated routine
- Live monitoring of the measurement process
- Automatic analysis of acquired measurement data

# Park NX-HDM AFM Technology

## **Industry Leading Low Noise Z Detector**

Our AFMs are equipped with the most effective low noise Z detectors in the field, with a noise of 0.02 nm over large bandwidth. This produces highly accurate sample topography, no edge overshoot and no need for calibration. Just one of the many ways Park NX-HDM saves you time and gives you better data.



## No artifacts by AFM scanner in low noise closed-loop topography



### True Non-Contact<sup>™</sup> Mode

True Non-Contact<sup>™</sup> Mode is a scan mode unique to Park AFM systems that produces high resolution and accurate data by preventing destructive tip-sample interaction during a scan.



Unlike in contact mode, where the tip contacts the sample continuously during a scan, or in tapping mode, where the tip touches the sample periodically, a tip used in non-contact mode does not touch the sample. Because of this, use of non-con-



tact mode has several key advantages. Scanning at the highest resolution throughout imaging is now possible as the tip's sharpness is maintained. Non-contact mode avoids damaging soft samples as the tip and sample surface avoid direct contact.



Furthermore, non-contact mode senses tip-sample interactions occurring all around the tip. Forces occurring laterally to tip approach to the sample are detected. Therefore, tips used in non-contact mode can avoid crashing into tall structures that may suddenly appear on a sample surface. Contact and tapping modes only detect the force coming from below the tip and are vulnerable to such crashes.

SEM (5.00 k)



Before taking image

After taking 20 images



SEM (4.52 k)

# Park NX-HDM Productivity meets Accuracy

### Automatic Defect Review (ADR) to locate defects quickly and easily

The integrated ADR software lets you easily initiate a fully automated search and imaging routine for specified defects. The ADR software automatically goes to each of defect location and images the defects in two ways: (1) a larger survey scan to refine the defect location, (2) then a smaller zoom-in scan so you can see the defect in greater detail.



#### Automated Search Scan & Zoom-in Scan

Optimized scan parameters enable a fast two step scan: (1) a quick, low resolution search scan to locate the defect, then (2) a high resolution zoom-in scan to obtain defect details. The scan size and scan speed parameters are adjustable to match the user's need.

#### **Accurate Sub-Angstrom Surface Roughness Measurement**

#### Sub-Angstrom, Surface Roughness Measurement

Increasingly, industries require ultra-flat media and substrate to address the ever-shrinking device dimensions. Park NX-HDM provides accurate sub-angstrom surface roughness measurements, scan after scan. Park NX-HDM, together with its industry's lowest noise floor, and its unique True Non-Contact<sup>™</sup> technology, it is the most accurate AFM for surface roughness measurement in the market.



### Automatic Transfer and Alignment of

Utilizing an advanced proprietary mapping algorithm, the defect map obtained from automated optical inspection (AOI) tool is accurately transferred and mapped onto Park NX-HDM. This technology allows full automation for high throughput defect imaging.



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