TRI Austin has trained and certified in-house experts and equipment for surface examination, including Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM), Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM), Optical Stereo Microscopy, Focussed Ion Beam Scanning Electron Microscopy, Micro-Raman Spectrometry, and Optical Profilometry. These personnel and equipment are available as surface examination services in addition to being used for in-house needs.



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## SCANNING ELECTRON MICROSCOPE (SEM)

- Jeol 6390 SEM
- Magnification ~300,000x
- · Resolution of ~1nm
- Specimen chamber: Up to 6" diameter
- · Auto focus/auto stigmator, auto gun (saturation, bias, and alignment), and automatic contrast and brightness
- EDAX Element EDS with 30mm detector crystal

## ATOMIC FORCE MICROSCOPE (AFM)

- Park Scientific AutoProbe CP-R AFM
- Manual XY stage and motorized Z stage
- 5 microns scanner
- 100 micrometers piezo scanner with a maximum vertical range of 2.5 microns
- Operates in contact and LFM mode, also tapping mode, and other AC techniques
- Coated Sharpened Microlevers MSCT-MT-A sensors

#### **MICROSCOPE**

- Olympus BX51 Microscope
- Vertical stage movement: 25mm stage stroke with coarse adjustment limit stopper
- Torque adjustment for coarse adjustment knobs
- Stage mounting position variable
- High sensitivity fine focusing knob (minimum adjustment gradations: 1µm
- Built-in Koehler illumination for transmitted light
- 12V100W halogen bulb (pre-centered) Built-in filters (LBD-IF, ND6, ND25 optional)









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## **OPTICAL STEREOMICROSCOPE**

- Leica M205A Stereomicroscope
- Fully automated
- 16:1 Zoom
- Structural detail resolution down to 476nm
- Numerical aperture of 0.35
- · Resolution down one micrometer with 61.55mm working distance
- Indexed stage allows large area stitching and precise position measurements



- Scios 2 HiVac FIB/SEM with EBL
- Resolution: 0.8 nm at 30keV in STEM
- Voltage: 200eV to 30 keV
- Current: 1 pA to 400nA
- Stage: 110 x110 mm with 65 mm z-travel, 360° rotation, -15° to 90° tilt
- NICol SEM column with Shottky emitter source
- · Can do FIB milling of samples
- EDS and EBSD detectors

# MICRO-RAMAN SPECTROMETRY

- · Witec Alpha 300 Raman Spectrometer
- Confocal Raman Imaging
- Hyperspectral image generation
- Excellent lateral resolution
- · Depth resolution ideally suited for 3D image generation and depth profiles
- Ultra-fast Raman imaging option with under one millisecond integration time per spectrum
- Ultra-high throughput spectroscopic system for best sensitivity and spectral resolution
- Non-destructive imaging technique: no staining of fixation of the sample required
- 3 excitation wavelengths, 488, 532, 785 nm
- Can do mapping of PL as well

## **OPTICAL PROFILOMETRY**

- Wyko NT 9100 optical profilometer
- Vertical Measurement Range: 0.1nm to 1mm
- Vertical Resolution: 1< 1Å</li>
- RMS Repeatability: 20.01nm
- Vertical Scan Speed: up to 7.2μm/sec
- Lateral Spatial Sampling: 0.08 to 13.1μm
- Field- of -View: 8.24mm to 0.05mm









