

Micrograph Title: Alaskan Yogi Bear

Description: It's the bear from EIPBN logo above.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): Submitted by: Ravi Bonam Instrument (Make and Model): Hitachi S-4800 Affiliation: CNSE, University at Albany



Micrograph Title: Ice Castles

Description: Silicon cryoetched at -110 C. MaN etch mask failed under 50W RF eroding the desired pillar pattern.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 20,000X Submitted by: Scott Braswell

Instrument (Make and Model): FEI Sirion XL30 Affiliation: University of Washington - NTUF



Micrograph Title: Radioactive

Description: Silicon cryoetched with PMMA mask at 40W RF. Thinner areas of the mask failed resulting in a 3-tiered pattern.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 40,000X Submitted by: Scott Braswell Instrument (Make and Model): FEI Sirion XL30 Affiliation: University of Washington - NTUF



Micrograph Title: Wedding Band

Description: Poly(lactic acid) microspheres formed by a W/O/W emulsion and a three leaf clover blade.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 1000X Submitted by: Scott Braswell Instrument (Make and Model): FEI Sirion XL30 Affiliation: University of Washington - NTUF



Micrograph Title: Surprise!

Description: Funny bottom structures revealed beneath the upper layer after it was etched out.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 16kx Submitted by: Yehiel Gotkis & Alan Brodie Instrument (JEO L JSM-6700) Affiliation: KLA-Tencor



Micrograph Title: Merry Christmas fireworks! Or The sorting hat from Harry Potter

**Description:** Arc damage

#### 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): Submitted by: Alan Brodie & Yehiel Gotkis Instrument: Hitachi S4800 Affiliation: KLA-Tencor



#### Micrograph Title: Where did you get those micro Foster Grants

Description: SEM micrograph of Sputter re-deposition around a stitching error in a deep plasma etch

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 35kx Submitted by: Alan Brodie Instrument (Make and Model): Hitachi S4800 Affiliation: KLA-Tencor



Micrograph Title: Fossilized Micro-Fish

**Description:** 

SEM of Aluminum-Germanium eutectic alloy showing dendritic phase separation

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 10,000X Submitted by: F. Crnogorac

Instrument (Make and Model): FEI Sirion Affiliation: Stanford University



Micrograph Title: Monolithic Christmas Wreath Description:

Bright field TEM of crystallized germanium island on silicon nitride membrane (50nm thin)

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest

500 nm

Magnification (3"x4" image): 70,000X Submitted by: F. Crnogorac Instrument (Make and Model): Phillips C-20 TEM Affiliation: Stanford University



Micrograph Title: Crooked Still Life Painting

**Description:** 

Bright field TEM of crystallized germanium island encapsulated by silicon nitride (50nm thin)

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 140,000X Submitted by: F. Crnogorac Instrument (Make and Model): Phillips C-20 TEM Affiliation: Stanford University



Micrograph Title: Desire

#### **Description:**

The branching structures are made by e-beam deposition from TEOS precursor in an attempt to bridge the gap between the Bosch-etched Si fingers. The growth process was based on two single line scans (ebeam normal to the surface at 0 ° stage tilt) starting from the fingers and proceeding towards the center of the gap in between them. The SEM image was taken at 54 ° stage tilt. The surface of the Si fingers was covered with 50 nm gold prior the TEOS deposition.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 20 KX Submitted by: A. Joshi-Imre & I. W. Jung Lab. **Instrument (Make and Model):** FEI Nova NanoLab **Affiliation:** Center for Nanoscale Materials, Argonne Nat.



#### **Micrograph Title:**

When the pattern ends up beating the spatial resolution of your patterning tool

#### **Description:**

The finely structured surface unexpectedly evolved when trying to pattern circular islands on a kagome lattice into carboniferous film (with metal and dielectric layers underneath) by 30kV Ga focused ion beam. SEM image was taken at 54 degree stage tilt.





Magnification (3"x4" image): 80 KX Submitted by: A. Joshi-Imre & C. Phatak Instrument (Make and Model): FEI Nova NanoLab Affiliation: Center for Nanoscale Materials, Argonne Nat. Lab.



Micrograph Title: Trapped Heart

**Description:** 

A heart-shaped dust particle randomly fell on the top of the Si 3D woodpile Photonic Crystal Structure.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 30,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



Micrograph Title: Caterpillar Looking for Food

Description: This is a SEM picture of the broken edge of a Si beam. The beam was fabricated to be suspended above the Si substrate but melted under high energy during experiments.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 20,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



Micrograph Title: Relics of Old Civilization

Description: The square is a Au alignment mark and the circle is e-beam resist which is exposed during ebeam lithography. The whole pattern is formed after 2min etch in Cl<sub>2</sub> plasma.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 10,000XInstrument: Hitachi S-4800 Field Emission SEMSubmitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. VargheseAffiliation: Birck Nanotechnology Center, Purdue University



Micrograph Title: Broken Net

**Description:** 

The PMMA resist collapsed on the Si substrate after development. The light and shadow creates an interesting scenery. How big were the fish escaping through the net?

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



S4800 2.0kV x35.0k SE(U)

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Magnification (3"x4" image): 35,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



**Micrograph Title:** 

City skyline from the bridge

Description: A prosperous city is developing beside the giant bridge. Actually it is a Si structure after etching. The surface was slightly contaminated and therefore formed some interesting scenario.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 50,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



Micrograph Title: Smoky Mountain Ridges

Description: Three parallel mountains and valleys are formed on the Si chip. The triangle shape is because the Reactive Ion Etching conditions are not correct. You can even see the clouds gathering on the peak, which is actually the remaining resist.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 100,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



Micrograph Title: Shifted Roads

**Description:** All the Si lines are broken into two parts with a slight shift of less than 50nm, caused by the stitching of the electron-beam lithography.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 18,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



Micrograph Title: **Niagara Falls** 

**Description:** The SEM picture shows the remaining resist on the edge and side wall of a Si structure after development. The resist looks like giant water streams falling rapidly down the slope.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



10.0kV 9.1mm x800k SE(U)

Magnification (3"x4" image): 800,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



Micrograph Title: **Mini Mushrooms** 

**Description:** The cross-sections of these Si gratings look like mushrooms popping out from the soil. The shape is because of not optimized etching conditions. The dark areas are resist and the light areas are Si.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



5.0kV 8.8mm x30.0k SE(U)

Magnification (3"x4" image): 30,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



**Micrograph** Title:

Water Flow

**Description:** 

Water gathering from the water fall forms river. You can feel the ripples on the surface as if it is flowing. Both sidewall and bottom textures are photoresist on the Si structure after development.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



15.0kV 8.9mm x800k SE(M)

Magnification (3"x4" image): 800,000X Submitted by: Li Fan, Leo T. Varghese



Micrograph Title: Hedge Maze

Description: : Unknown source of contamination on silicon wafer after PMMA resist strip.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 70x Submitted by: Steven Hickman Instrument (Make and Model): Zeiss Ultra55 Affiliation: Cornell University



Micrograph Title: Snail

Description: : Rod of cobalt overhanging a larger silicon rod, with the "shell" formed by cobalt chloride.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 29000x Submitted by: Steven Hickman

Instrument (Make and Model): Zeiss Ultra55 Affiliation: Cornell University



Micrograph Title: Natural Bridge

Description: : Ridge of silicon transformed into bridge after potassium hydroxide etch. Top roughness caused by silicon oxide micromasking

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 124x Submitted by: Steven Hickman Instrument (Make and Model): Zeiss Ultra55 Affiliation: Cornell University



Micrograph Title: Flagellated Protozoan

Description: There seem to be some polymeric residues on the surface.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification : x12,000 Submitted by: Kontziampasis Dimitrios



Micrograph Title: Silicon Fox

Description: Fox-like dust on sample

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification : x9,500 Submitted by: Kontziampasis Dimitrios



Micrograph Title: Silicon Fox II

Description: Fox-like dust on sample (Wider View)

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification : x7,000 Submitted by: Kontziampasis Dimitrios



Micrograph Title: The Rock

Description: Dust or not?

#### 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification : x1,200 Submitted by: Kontziampasis Dimitrios



Micrograph Title: Communication over a nanolandscape

Description: At an extreme zoom in Google Earth over Nanoland, they discovered nano-bowtie arrays are being employed for surveillance into the macro-world

#### 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 2.2k Submitted by: Anil Kumar Instrument (Make and Model): Hitachi 4800 SEM Affiliation: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA



Micrograph Title: Fields of Silicorn

**Description:** When the nanogratings are fertilized by high bias SF6, they flower into fields of silicorn, ready for harvest.



Magnification (3"x4" image): 40,000 Submitted by: Pran Mukherjee

Instrument (Make and Model): FEI Nova Nanolab Affiliation: Massachusetts Institute of Technology



#### Micrograph Title: REALLY Short Stack

Description: Platelets observed stacked up inside a blood vessel in a section of bone

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 10kX Submitted by: Larry Scipioni Instrument (Make and Model): Affiliation: Carl Zeiss SMT, Inc.



Micrograph Title: In-situ fracture of a carbon nanotube micropillar

Description: Top-down view of a carbonnanotube micro-pillar after failure at ~1 GPa stress.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 45000XInstrument (Make and Model):Hitachi S4800 SEMSubmitted by:Siddhartha Pathak and William M. MookAffiliation: EMPA, Switzerland



Micrograph Title: A fractal pine tree

Description: SU-8 residues after insufficient O2 plasma on surface of Aluminum layer

#### 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 143.4K X Submitted by: Kyung-Hak Choi Instrument (Make and Model): ZEISS SUPRA-40 Affiliation: The University of Texas at Dallas



Micrograph Title: Micro Volcanoes

Description: Talbot lithography using 1x full field mask aligner with 100 µm exposure gap

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 7260x Submitted by: Michael Hornung & Uwe Vogler Instrument (Make and Model): ZEISS Ultra Plus Affiliation: SUSS MicroTec



Micrograph Title: New micro asteroid discovered!

Description: Scouring the surface of our silicon world we detect an unknown asteroid

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 1789X Submitted by: V.G. Kutchoukov and P. Kruit Instrument (Make and Model): FEI Quanta 3D FEG Affiliation: Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands


Micrograph Title: Mice ate my zoneplate

**Description:** EUV lithography 100nm zoneplate resist pattern or

what's left of it

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): Submitted by: Simi George Instrument (Make and Model): Hitachi FE-SEM S-4800 Affiliation: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, CA, USA



Micrograph Title:

A Woman in Mourning

**Description:** 

A failed pattern transfer of MIM stacks from a grating mold onto a PMMAcoated glass substrate.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 124x Submitted by: Alex Kaplan Instrument (Make and Model): Philips XL30 FEG SEM Affiliation: University of Michigan



Micrograph Title: Rose Garden

**Description:** Silicon rods in a rod and hole photonic crystal which has been over etched

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 18000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: LEGO City

**Description:** Side view of self assembled silica particles showing 100 crystal orientation

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 3000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Opal Quarry

**Description:** Side view of silica particles

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 1500X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Opal Death Valley

Description: Top view of self assembled silica particles showing cracks due to the drying process



Magnification (3"x4" image): 1500X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Stars of David

**Description:** Top view of inverted opals made from silicon

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 22000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Chaos to Order, The Beauty of Life

Description: The starting point of periodically assembled silica opals



Magnification (3"x4" image): 800X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Micro Fissure

Description: Side view of inverted opals made from silicon cracked due to elevated temperatures

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 7000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Sunny side up eggs

Description: Angled view of opals filled with silicon with the top opened up by Reactive Ion Etch





Magnification (3"x4" image): 100,000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Photonic Ripple

Description: Inverse opal photonic crystal bending over some particles



Magnification (3"x4" image): 2500X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Cell maze

Description: HSQ rods after development joined together because of overdosing

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 7000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Balcony seating

Description: Silicon pedestal for silica particles made by ebeam lithography and etching. The silica particles were dried on this structure

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 45000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Igloo colony

Description: Inverted woodpile made from LPCVD infiltrated silicon



Magnification (3"x4" image): 50000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Ooey Gooey Kit Kat stacks

**Description:** Angled view of a 3 layer HSQ woodpiles made from electron beam lithography





Magnification (3"x4" image): 40000X Submitted by: Leo Tom Varghese, Li Fan



Micrograph Title: Avatar's Pandora Nano Forest

Description: Au electroplated structures in defective PMMA mold

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 20 kx Submitted by: Joan Vila-Comamala

Instrument (Make and Model): SEM Zeiss Supra 55VP Affiliation: Paul Scherrer Institut (Switzerland)



Micrograph Title: Micro-town

**Description**:

Selective etching of GaAs/AlGaAs stacks on the GaAs substrate with hard mask residue

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 13KX Submitted by: Yi-Kuei Wu Instrument (Make and Model): Philips XL30 FEG Affiliation: EECS, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor



Micrograph Title: silicon ultra-fine Marilyn veil

Description: ICP-RIE pattern transfer of 20nm-pitch HSQ gratings (area of 1 µm by 2 µm ) into silicon





Magnification (3"x4" image): 100k Submitted by: Minjun Yan at Urbana-Champaign Instrument (Make and Model): Hitachi S-4800 SEM Affiliation: Micro and Nanotechnology Lab, University of Illinois



### Micrograph Title: Nanosnowflakes

### **Description:**

SEM image of self-assembled nanosnowflakes from electron-beamlithography-defined PMMA nanopillars due to the capillary force during the postdevelopment rinse and drying process.

The original thickness of PMMA was 240 nm, and PMMA was used as a negative resist. Electron-beam lithography was done by Raith 150 with an accelerating voltage of 30 kV, beam current of ~400 pA.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (5"x 5" image): 20,000 Submitted by: Huigao Duan Instrument (Make and Model): Raith 150 Affiliation: Massachusetts Institute of Technology



Micrograph Title: Self-assembled "chrysanthemum"

### **Description:**

SEM image of a chrysanthemum selfassembled from electron-beamlithography-defined PMMA nanopillars due to the capillary force during the postdevelopment rinse and drying process.

The original thickness of PMMA was ~550 nm, and PMMA was used as a negative resist. Electron-beam lithography was done by Raith 150 with an accelerating voltage of 30 kV, beam current of ~400 pA.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (5.18"x 6" image): 75, 000 Submitted by: Huigao Duan Instrument (Make and Model): Raith 150 Affiliation: Massachusetts Institute of Technology



### Micrograph Title: Nested-Ls "eaten by mice"

### **Description:**

Bright-field TEM micrograph of electronbeam-lithography-defined 14-nm-pitch HSQ nested-Ls. The defects in nested Ls enhanced the image contrast during TEM metrology, which also proved that there were residues between our designed lines.

We still don't know how the defects formed in nested Ls. Considering there were many mice in our buildings at MIT, we think the defects might be caused by crazy hungry mice. ©

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (5 "x 5" image): 300, 000 Submitted by: Huigao Duan

Instrument (Make and Model): JEOL JEM 2010F Affiliation: Massachusetts Institute of Technology



### Micrograph Title: Gold MIT nanologo

### **Description:**

AFM image of a 20-nm- pitch PMMA nanopillar array with deliberately-designed defects.

The original thickness of PMMA was 22 nm and PMMA was used as a negative resist. Electron-beam lithography was done by Raith 150 with an accelerating voltage of 30 kV, beam current of ~400 pA.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (4.65 "x 6" image): 200, 000 Submitted by: Huigao Duan Instrument (Make and Model): DI Dimension-3000 Affiliation: Massachusetts Institute of Technology



# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest

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The SEM image corresponding to the AFM image.

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### Micrograph Title: Positive-Tone or Negative-Tone Resist?

### **Description:**

SEM Micrograph of a pattern spelling "EFRC", exposed at 2 keV, by using 15-nm-thick hydrogen silsesquioxane (HSQ) as the resist and silicon as the substrate.

The letters were the unexposed area and the background was the exposed HSQ. This gives the impression of positive-tone pattern in a negative-tone resist (i.e., HSQ).

2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest

Magnification (3"x4" image): 61,640 Submitted by: Vitor R. Manfrinato Instrument (Make and Model): Raith 150 Affiliation: Massachusetts Institute of Technology

30 nm



Micrograph Title: Microcat paw

Description: SEM picture of a DNA fork fomed on PDMS after evaporation of a DNA solution containing Triton

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): X2000 Submitted by: J. Cordeiro Instrument (Make and Model): SEM Hitachi 4000 Affiliation: BioColloNa LTM CNRS



Micrograph Title: Rough sea

Description: Dryed photoresist drop





Magnification (3"x4" image): x400 Submitted by: O. Lecarme

Instrument (Make and Model): HITACHI S4000 Affiliation: BioColloNa team LTM-CNRS



Micrograph Title: Cheese Club sandwich

Description: Photoresist squares put in solution and dryed

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): x1300 Submitted by: O. Lecarme Instrument (Make and Model): HITACHI S4000 Affiliation: BioColloNa team, LTM-CNRS



Micrograph Title: Transparent wedding confetti

Description: PMMA disks

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): x18k Submitted by: O. Lecarme Instrument (Make and Model): HITACHI S4000 Affiliation: BioColloNa team, LTM-CNRS



Micrograph Title: See you later, alligator

#### **Description:**

These are test structures created with a standard CMOS process, which have been released with a chemical postprocess. The structures have bended due to the high stress of the metal layers.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 8 Kx Submitted by: Jordi Llobet<sup>1</sup> & Juan J. Valle<sup>2</sup>

Instrument (Make and Model): CrossBeam 1560xB (Carl Zeiss) Affiliation: <sup>1</sup>IMB-CNM (CSIC) & <sup>2</sup>Baolab - Barcelona



Micrograph Title: Where is the fly?

**Description:** 

These are test structures created with a standard CMOS process, which have been released with a chemical postprocess. The structures have bended due to the high stress of the metal layers.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 2 Kx Submitted by: Jordi Llobet<sup>1</sup> & Juan J. Valle<sup>2</sup>

Instrument (Make and Model): CrossBeam 1560xB (Carl Zeiss) Affiliation: <sup>1</sup>IMB-CNM (CSIC) & <sup>2</sup>Baolab - Barcelona



Micrograph Title: Endless Columns of Brancusi

Description: Endless Column of Brancusi, a famous Romanian sculpture, the initiator of modern sculpture (some sculptures are in Chicago Art Institute). He was Aguste Rodin's student.

These are nano Brancusi's done by Bosch-like cryo Si etch

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): Submitted by: Instrument (Make and Model): Affiliation:



### Micrograph Title: Nanoscale Indian Hut

**Description:** This is a bright field TEM image of poly(styrene-block-ferrocenyldimethylsilan e) (PS-b-PFS) block copolymer thin film. The PS was etched off prior to imaging the fibrous PFS structure.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification: 900X Instrument: Tecnai G2 TEM Submitted by: Muruganathan Ramanathan and Seth Darling Affiliation: Center for Nanoscale Materials, Argonne National Laboratory



Micrograph Title: MicroSaur

Description: FIB image (Focused Ion Beam, Ga+) that shows a RIE (Reactive Ion Etching) result of an attack over an organic resist.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 600 x Submitted by: Jordi Llobet<sup>1</sup> & Aïda Varea<sup>2</sup>

Instrument (Make and Model): CrossBeam 1560xB (Carl Zeiss) Affiliation: <sup>1</sup>IMB-CNM (CSIC) & <sup>2</sup> UAB - Barcelona



### Micrograph Title: Polymer Art Glass

Description: This is a bright field optical micrograph of poly(styrene-blockferrocenyldimethylsilan e) (PS-b-PFS) block copolymer thin film. The polymer was spin coated on a thin TEM membrane subjected to hybrid thermal/solvent annealing. This artistic structure appears due the selective to dewetting of the polymer from the thin TEM window (seen in middle) which the oscillates during the spin coating.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification: 100X Instrument: Zeiss optical microscope Submitted by: Muruganathan Ramanathan and Seth Darling Affiliation: Center for Nanoscale Materials, Argonne National Laboratory



### 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



**Description:** Dynamic self-assembly of super paramagnetic particles under a rotating magnetic field. Rotational frequency and bead density determines the shape which is stable as long as the external magnetic field is applied.



Magnification: 2μm beads imaged with 100X objective Instrument: Zeiss optical microscope Submitted by: Muruganathan Ramanathan, Seth Darling, Thomas Fischer Affiliation: Argonne National Laboratory and University of Bayreuth



### Micrograph Title: Natural Palate

#### Description: The top image is a bright field optical micrograph of silicon nitride patterned using a poly(styrene-block-ferrocenyldimethylsilane) (PS-b-PFS) block copolymer thin film as an etch mask. The large, fractal-like structure is formed by hybrid thermal/solvent annealing of the polymer. Crystallization of the PFS block competes with selfassembly of various nanoscale morphologies in a complex balance to produce these structures. The pattern is transferred to the substrate using reactive ion etching. The lower images are digitally edited artistic representations of the micrograph.

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest





Magnification: 1mm wide Instrument: Zeiss optical microscope (cross-polarization mode) Submitted by: Muruganathan Ramanathan and Seth Darling Affiliation: Center for Nanoscale Materials, Argonne National Laboratory


Micrograph Title: Polymer Brain

**Description:** This is a bright field optical micrograph of poly(styrene-blockferrocenyldimethylsilan e) (PS-b-PFS) block copolymer thin film. **Polymer film thickness** mode of the and annealing brings out a variety of structures which is currently being explored as an etch mask for mesoscale lithography.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification: 100X Instrument: Zeiss optical microscope (cross-polarization mode) Submitted by: Muruganathan Ramanathan and Seth Darling Affiliation: Center for Nanoscale Materials, Argonne National Laboratory



Micrograph Title: A glimmer of hope

Description: Evaporation on a glass slide of a DNA droplet containing 1 per 100 of Triton

### 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): X20 Submitted by: J. Cordeiro

Instrument (Make and Model): Zeiss Axio Obs. Z1M Affiliation: BioColloNa LTM-CNRS



Micrograph Title: DNA coral

Description: Network formed on glass slide after evaporation of a DNA solution containing 1 per 10000 of Triton

### 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): X20 Submitted by: J. Cordeiro Instrument (Make and Model): Zeiss Axio Obs. Z1M Affiliation: BioColloNa LTM-CNRS



Micrograph Title: Stackable Atoms

**Description:** This is a tungsten weld that exhibits remarkable faceting due to the rapid heating and cooling. Surprisingly, some of the adjacent grains show no evidence of this faceting.





Magnification (3"x4" image): 32 kX Ins Submitted by: Shawn McVey and Dave Voci

Instrument (Make and Model): ORION Plus He Ion Microscope oci Affiliation: Carl Zeiss SMT



Micrograph Title: Snake Charmer

**Description:** This is the membrane of a mouse cell with the micro-villi reaching up – just as snakes rise for the music of the serpent charmer.

### 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 23 kXInstrument (Make and Model):ORION Plus He Ion MicroscopeSubmitted by:Shawn McVey and Dave VociAffiliation:Carl Zeiss SMT

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Micrograph Title: Two Cells - Adam and Eve

**Description:** These two whole cells had their micro villi entangled as if hugging.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 4.6 kX Ins Submitted by: Shawn McVey and Dave Voci

Instrument (Make and Model): ORION Plus He Ion Microscope oci Affiliation: Carl Zeiss SMT



#### Micrograph Title: Snow Flakes

**Description:** The planar nature of the crystal formation process is plainly visible here.

# 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): 17kX Submitted by: Lou Farkas and Dave Voci Instrument: Carl Zeiss, ORION Plus (He Ion Microscope) Affiliation: Carl Zeiss SMT



Micrograph Title: Defective Wing

**Description:** These are the several of the small hairs that are found on the wing of a bee. The scaly nature of the membrane is also seen. Also, several of the hairs show a defect suspected to be a parasite egg.





Magnification (3"x4" image): 2.4kX Submitted by: Shawn McVey and Dave Voci

Instrument: Carl Zeiss, ORION Plus (He Ion Microscope) Affiliation: Carl Zeiss SMT



Micrograph Title: Carried by the crowd

Description: Evaporation of a DNA droplet on a glass slide

## 2010 EIPBN MicroGraph Contest



Magnification (3"x4" image): X20 Submitted by: J. Cordeiro

Instrument (Make and Model): Zeiss Axio Obs. Z1M Affiliation: BioColloNa LTM-CNRS



Micrograph Title: Green lacework

Description: Network formed onglasse slide after evaporation of a droplet of DNA with 1 per 100 of Triton

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Micrograph Title: Luau-On-A-Sample

Description: Nanoimprint failures make me want a tropical vacation.

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Magnification (3"x4" image): Submitted by: Teresa Fazio Instrument (Make and Model): Nikon ME600 Affiliation: Columbia University



#### Micrograph Title: Micro towers of Canterbury

#### **Description:**

Patterned voids in carbon nanotube towers. Alumina and iron catalyst deposited by ebeam evaporation was patterned by photolithography. The carbon nanotubes were grown by chemical vapour deposition from the pattern on the substrate.

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Magnification (3"x4" image):40 xInstrument (Make and Model):Leica S440Submitted by:Volker Nock, David GarrettAffiliation:The MacDiarmid Institute for Advanced Materialsand Nanotechnology,University of Canterbury,Christchurch, New Zealand



Micrograph Title: Dangerous Drive

**Description:** 

The DIC stack of a hexagonal array of PDMS pillars with magnetic tips. As magnetic tweezer gets close, pillars adhere to each other.

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Magnification (3"x4" image): objective Submitted by: Saba Ghassemi **Instrument (Make and Model):** CCD camera with 40X

**Affiliation: Columbia University** 



Micrograph Title: Dancing Neon Atoms

**Description:** The bright dots are actual neon atoms moving under their thermal energies. Under high fields, the Van der Waals forces are exaggerated causing them to temporarily bond together.

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Magnification (3"x4" image): 3 Million XInstrument: Carl Zeiss Field Ion MicroscopeSubmitted by: Dave Voci, John Notte, FHM Faridur (Milton) RahmanAffiliation: Carl Zeiss SMT



Micrograph Title: Coffee grains.

Description: AFM phase image of polymer nanotopography

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Magnification: 2umx2um image Submitted by: Kontziampasis Dimitrios Instrument (Make and Model): CP-II, AFM, Veeco Affiliation: N.C.S.R. "Demokritos"



Micrograph Title: Poison Ivy.

Description: AFM topography image of a polymer after plasma etching

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