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MEMS technology is advancing rapidly, and over the last five years has allowed the construction of many integrated systems, including (for example) novel micro and nano structured materials, sensors based on movable mechanical components and self powered autonomous devices. Many involve nanotechnology. These components are allowing systems that were once confined to the laboratory to find new applications with a strong commercial potential. UK activity is now rapidly increasing, after a relatively slow start compared to the rest of the advanced industrial nations.

The aim of this event is to bring together UK expertise in MEMS, to introduce the advantage of MEMS process technology and to highlight developments. The topics will be relevant to companies engaged in sensor manufacture and process control, equipment manufacturers for the semiconductor industry and academics engaged in MEMS, nanotechnology and sensor research.

# PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 27 APRIL 2006

09.30 REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

10.00 Chairman's Welcome and Introduction

### SESSION 1 – FLUIDICS & FLOW

10.05 Keynote Address:  
**Convergence of Technologies in Development of Micro-Electrokinetic Devices for Biomedical Applications**  
Professor Ron Pethig, University of Wales, Bangor, UK

10.40 REFRESHMENTS

11.00 **Building EWOD Microfluidic Array Technology on Top of Foundry CMOS**  
Y Li, P Li, A Kazantzis, L I Haworth, A W S Ross, J G Terry, J T M Stevenson, A M Gundlach, A Bunting and A J Walton, Institute of Micro and Nano Systems Scottish Microelectronics Centre, University of Edinburgh, UK

11.20 **Suspension-Compatible Elastomer-Glass Micropumps Employing a Linear Topology**  
M C Tracey, I D Johnston, J B Davis and C K L Tan, STRI, University of Hertfordshire, UK

11.40 **Investigation on Electro-Acoustic Characteristics of a MEMS Microfluidic Ultrasonic Separator**  
Dr Yijun Shen, Brunel University, UK

12.20 **Electroactive Diaphragm Actuators for Flow Control**  
S S Dearing, G G Arthur, J Morrison and Z Cui, Imperial College, London, UK

12.40 Discussion

12.50 LUNCH

### SESSION 2 – PHYSICAL SENSORS

14.00 Keynote Address:  
**The Dynamics of Degenerate Mode MEMS Sensors**

Professor Jim Burdess, Professor of Engineering Dynamics, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

14.35 **Development of a Second Generation Low Cost Silicon MEMS Gyroscope: Design for Manufacture**  
Dr Chris Fell, BAE Systems, UK

14.55 **Bio-inspired MEMS Resonant Thermal Detector**

M E McNie, D J Combes, R R Davies, K M Brunson, K L Lewis, C J Anthony, D J Hamilton, P P Donohue and M A Todd, QinetiQ Ltd, UK

15.15 **Standard MEMS Sensor Technologies for Harsh Environment**

Jean-Michel Stauffer, Colibrys, Switzerland

15.35 Discussion

15.45 REFRESHMENTS

### SESSION 3 – BIOMECHANICAL SENSORS

16.00 **Scent Whisper**

Dr Jenny Tillotson and Dr Gareth Jenkins, Central Saint Martins, University of the Arts London, UK

16.20 **Towards a Truly Biomimetic Artificial Olfactory Microsystem**

J A Covington, S L Tan and T C Pearce, University of Leicester, UK  
A Hamilton, University of Edinburgh, UK  
J W Gardner, University of Warwick, UK

16.40 **Direct Adsorption of Chemically Modified Biomolecules Onto Gold: A Rapid Method for Bio-Functionalisation of MEMS**

G Suárez, K A Ismail, R J Jackson, S C Chang, A J Harris, J S Burdess, J Hedley and C J McNeil, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

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<b>17.00</b>	<b>Planar Waveguide Enzyme Sensor Array for Water Pollution Monitoring</b> A Nabok, J Travis, A Tsagorodskaya and S Haron, Materials & Engineering Research Institute, Sheffield Hallam University, UK
<b>17.20</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>17.30</b>	<b>POSTER &amp; EXHIBITION SESSION WITH EVENING DRINKS RECEPTION</b>
	<b>POSTER 1: Ionchip - The First Chip-Based Mass Spectrometer Product</b> Alan Finlay, Microsaic Systems, UK
	<b>POSTER 2: Material Selection and Design of Microelectro-Thermal Actuators</b> S Prasanna and S Mark Spearing, University of Southampton, UK
	<b>POSTER 3: 3D Surface Analysis of MEMS Structures using White Light Confocal Microscopy</b> Alastair Sharp and Juergen Valentin, Systematration Ltd, UK/NanoFocus AG, Germany
	<b>POSTER 4: Design and Simulation of a Micromachined Electrostatically Suspended Gyroscope</b> Badin Damrongsaik and Michael Kraft, University of Southampton, UK
	<b>POSTER 5: MEMS Actuators for Aligning and Tuning Optical Microcavities on Atom Chips</b> C O Gollasch, Z Moktadir, G Lewis, M Kraft, M Trupke, S Eriksson and E A Hinds, University of Southampton, UK
	<b>POSTER 6: Simulation and Impedance Characterisation of Piezoelectric Microcantilevers</b> P Sanz-González, J Vázquez and J L Sánchez-Rojas, University Castilla-La Mancha, Spain
	<b>POSTER 7: A Review of Non-Photolithographic 3D Microfabrication Technologies</b> C Stokes and P J Palmer, Loughborough University, UK
	<b>POSTER 8: LIGA: Current Fabrication Capabilities</b> Doug Elerath, HT MicroAnalytical, Inc., USA
	<b>POSTER 9: Design, Modelling and Fabrication of Piezoelectric MEMS Devices</b> Meiling Zhu and Paul Kirby, Cranfield University, UK
	<b>POSTER 10: Finite Element Sensitivity Studies of Robustness in Micro-Scale Piezoelectric Technologies</b> M A Perry, R A Bates, M A Atherton and Y Shen, London School of Economics, UK

<b>20.00</b>	<b>Close of Seminar</b>

## FRIDAY, 28 APRIL 2006

<b>09.30</b>	<b>REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS</b>
<b>10.00</b>	<b>Chairman's Welcome and Introduction</b>
	<b>SESSION 4 - RF &amp; WIRELESS</b>
<b>10.05</b>	<b>Keynote Address: Trends in Microsystems Packaging for Cost Effective Manufacturing</b> Barrie Butler, Associate Consultant, Technology For Industry Ltd
<b>10.40</b>	<b>REFRESHMENTS</b>
<b>11.00</b>	<b>Design of an Injectable Microsensor to Wirelessly Transmit Signals from the Motor Cortex of the Human Brain</b> Jon P F Spratley, Mike C L Ward and Peter S Hall, The University of Birmingham, UK
<b>11.20</b>	<b>Miniaturised MEMS Drug Delivery System with RF Power Transfer and Communication</b> J T M Stevenson, S Smith, T B Tang, A F Murray, B W Flynn, H M Reekie, D R Renshaw, B Dhillon, A Ohtori, Y Inoue and A J Walton, University of Edinburgh, UK
<b>11.40</b>	<b>Critical Issues in Fabrication of RF MEMS Switches</b> Zheng Cui, Central Microstructure Facility, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory, UK
<b>12.00</b>	<b>Enhanced THz Transmission through Micromachined Sub-wavelength Annular Apertures</b> Dr A J Gallant, Dr J A Levitt, Prof J M Chamberlain, Prof D Wood, Prof M C Petty, Dr M Kaliteevski, Dr S Brand and Prof R A Abram, Durham University, UK
<b>12.20</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>12.30</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>

<b>SESSION 5 – ACTUATORS 1</b>	
<b>13.30</b>	<b>Keynote Address: Laser Micromachining of Materials for Industrial Manufacturing</b> Dr Malcolm Gower, Exitech Ltd, UK
<b>14.05</b>	<b>Microactuator Application of Shape Memory TiNi Films</b> Y Q Fu, J K Luo, A J Flewitt and W I Milne, University of Cambridge, UK
<b>14.25</b>	<b>Microscale Magnetic Components</b> David Flynn and Dr Marc Desmulliez, Heriot Watt University, UK

<b>14.45</b>	<b>MEMS Large Throw Magnetic Actuator</b> N Dimitrakopoulos, R E Miles and A C Hartley, University of Leeds, UK
<b>15.05</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>15.15</b>	<b>REFRESHMENTS</b>
	<b>SESSION 6 – ACTUATORS 2</b>

<b>15.30</b>	<b>An Automated Performance Testing System for Piezoelectric Micromotors</b> P J Rayner, S A Wilson, R W Whatmore and M Cain, Cranfield University, UK
<b>15.50</b>	<b>Assembly of PZT Fibre Array Composites by Dielectrophoresis</b> Stephen A Wilson and Ennio Capria, Cranfield University, UK
<b>16.10</b>	<b>Design of a Microgripping System with Visual and Force Feedback for MEMS Applications</b> I Giouroudi, D Andrijasevic, W Brenner and J Kosel, Vienna University of Technology, Austria Harald Hötzendorfer, Fundacion Robotiker Department of Design, Engineering and Manufacturing, Zamudio, Spain
<b>16.30</b>	<b>Air Damped Microresonators with Enhanced Quality Factor</b> Lijie Li, Gordon Brown and Deepak Uttamchandani, University of Strathclyde, UK
<b>16.50</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>17.00</b>	<b>Close of Seminar</b>

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## **DR DAVID MOORE**

It is our sad duty to report the death of our long-standing colleague David Moore of a heart attack, on Friday, 17th February 2006.



Following a PhD on Josephson junctions at Stanford University, David held a post-doc position at IBM Zurich. Returning to England, he became a Fellow in Engineering at Trinity Hall, Cambridge in 1984, and was later promoted to Reader in Electrical Engineering at Cambridge University Engineering Department.

In recent years his research was in microelectromechanical systems (MEMS), with a special interest in materials. He developed one of the first MEMS devices for rapid cycling through the polymerase chain reaction, laser etched micro-nibs for transfer of very small quantities of liquid analyte, and on-chip alignment fixtures for components in silicon opto-hybrids. Many of these devices attracted commercial interest, and his PCR cycler became a textbook example of a microsystem design.

David was well known in the UK MEMS community. He was friendly and gregarious, and an easily recognisable figure at meetings, where he would always initiate the discussions. He will be badly missed, and our sympathies go to his family.

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