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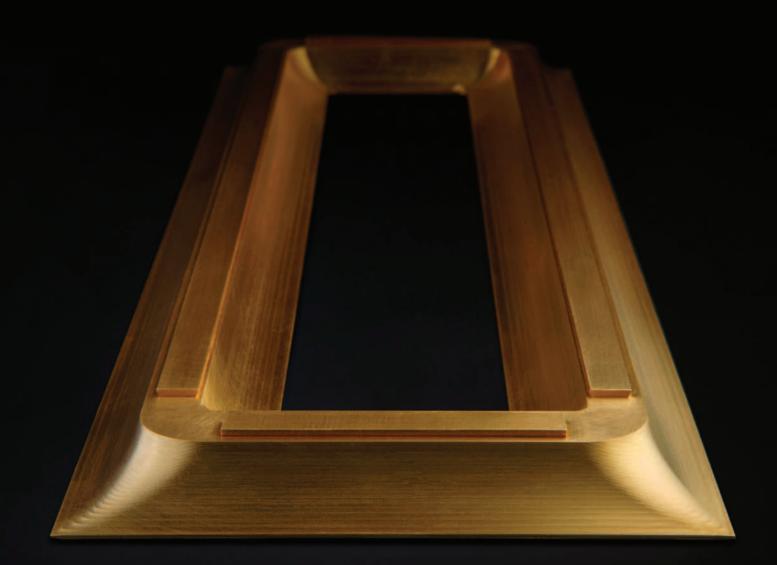
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The Grand Ole Opry®, the show that made country music famous, features a wide array of chart-toppers, newcomers, and living legends. The General Jackson Showboat offers cruises

for special occasions and afternoon shows spiced up with authentic Southern specialties. The Wildhorse Saloon is home to Nashville's largest dance floor and the cover charge is waived for guests of Gaylord Opryland Resort. Other local attractions include: Madame Tussauds Nashville, Ryman Auditorium, Country Music Hall of Fame, Nashville Zoo at Grassmere, Cheekwood Botanical Garden & Museum of Art, Cooter's Museum and Store Nashville, Texas Troubadour Theater, The Redneck Comedy Tour, Opry Mills, Nashville Nightlife Theater, Music Valley Antiques and Marketplace, The

Cowboy Church, Adventure Science Center, Andrew Jackson's Hermitage, and Lane Motor Museum.

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Exhibit Floor Plan

Exhibit Dates and Hours

Tuesday, May 20 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 21 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

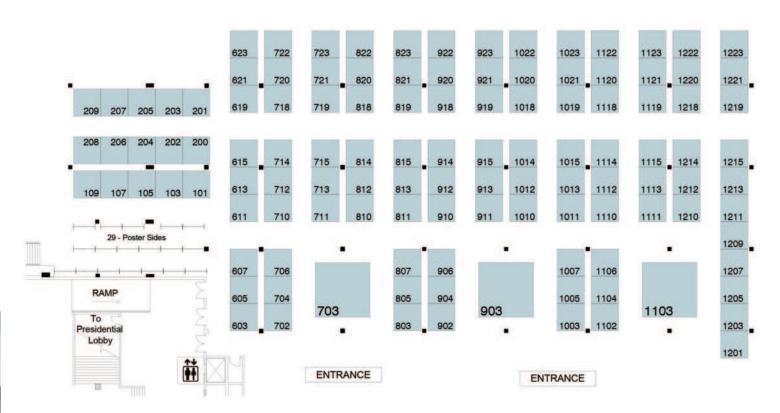
Booth Set-Up Hours

Monday, May 19 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 20 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Booth Tear-Down Hours

Wednesday, May 21 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, May 22 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Note: The Welcome Reception will be held on Tuesday, May 20, in the Exhibit Hall from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.!



Networking Opportunities at the 2025 TechCon



Make Connections

The TechCon is packed with networking events designed to connect vacuum coating and surface engineering professionals with the global SVC community. Each technical and social networking event provides a different forum for invaluable face-to-face interactions and the opportunity to collaborate with technical experts.



Technology Forum Breakfasts

Vacuum coating technology spans multiple applications and processes. Join a discussion group focused on a topic that's important to you. Enjoy the conversation over breakfast before the start of the technical program Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

To all of our SVC Stakeholders:

The **Technology Forum Breakfasts** have emerged as one of the most significant networking events at the TechCon. These breakfasts, held from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. during the TechCon are "loosely" organized around a specific topic where we provide a moderator, a continental breakfast, plenty of seating, and an opportunity for free form discussion to take place. In the TFBs problems are solved, new ideas are vetted, relationships are made and rekindled; all in the spirit of camaraderie that has made the SVC the most unique technical conference in our field. This year we are expanding the program even further and will offer more than 20 meetings during the TechCon Please be sure to check the daily schedule (the TFBs are offered on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday of the TechCon) to find those topics that interest you! And remember, we are always looking for new topics as well as moderators to get the discussion going in the mornings. Good luck and have fun!

- Frank Zimone, Executive Director



Exhibit Networking

Enjoy more opportunities than ever to visit the Exhibit Hall on May 20-21, 2025.

- Welcome Reception
- Poster Session
- Beer Blast

Additional Networking:

- Technical Program Keynote Presentations
- Exhibitor Innovator Showcase
- Roundtable Discussions

SVC Foundation Networking Events

CASINO NIGHT

Come and join us for an evening of fun and networking, all to help a great cause at the Sixth Annual SVC Foundation Casino Night on Monday, May 19, 2025. Additional Casino Night tickets can be purchased on-line during TechCon registration or at the TechCon. This is a wonderful opportunity to entertain friends and customers who may not be registered for the conference.

RUN FOR A CAUSE!

The race will be held virtually this year.



Networking Opportunities at the 2025 TechCon



2025 SVC TechCon Farewell Social

Date: Thursday, May 22, 2025

Everyone is invited to attend

The **Farewell Social** will be the last networking event of the TechCon and will commemorate what promises to be the most successful TechCon yet! Come join us as we celebrate our Young Members and all the new connections that were made after a densely packed four day program.

Job Board

There will be a Job Board in the lobby adjacent to the TechCon registration desk. Open positions as well as resumes of those looking for a position can be posted. Messages for interested parties, either potential employer or employee, can also be posted on the board.



2025 SVC Awards Ceremony and Welcome Reception

Date: Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Everyone is invited to attend

The Awards Ceremony will introduce and recognize the Nathaniel Sugerman Memorial Award recipient, SVC Fellow-Mentor Award recipients, and Sponsored Student awardees.

The Welcome Reception is a popular networking event at the TechCon. It offers a relaxed venue to meet friends and colleagues and provides the opportunity to make new connections.







Introducing the SVC's Keynote

Equilibrium Versus Non-Equilibrium Heating to Control the Microstructure of Coatings and Thin Films

André Anders 1,2

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Properties of coatings and thin films are primarily determined by their chemical composition and microstructure. In the simplest case, one uses substrate heating to affect the density (porosity) and crystallinity (i.e. amorphous vs. crystalline phases, possibly with a preferred orientation or texture). The involvement of plasmas and/or ion beams opens the possibility for non-equilibrium or atomic-scale heating, which can be very beneficial from several points of view, including, but not limited to, a reduction of the requirements on conventional substrate heating and cooling, the possibility to use temperature-sensitive substrates, the formation of otherwise unattainably phases, and the combination of deposition and etching effects. The key to non-equilibrium heating is specifically the kinetic ion energy, which can be controlled by the difference between surface potential and plasma potential, i.e., using suitable substrate and/or plasma biasing. When the kinetic ion energy exceeds the displacement energy, film growth can occur under the surface (very shallow ion implantation or "subplantation"), which is utilized, for example, in the deposition of diamond-like carbon. Biasing is often pulsed, which in combination with pulsed plasmas can be used for phased or species-selective control of ion energies, allowing us to synthesize non-equilibrium phases with new and interesting materials properties. In this talk, I will present in a systematic manner the concepts of non-equilibrium heating, the contributions of kinetic and potential energies of particles arriving at the surface of the growing film, and practical approaches to utilize the concepts for materials design in thin films and coatings.



Dr. André Anders has a joint appointment as the Scientific Director and CEO (Vorstand) of the Leibniz Institute of Surface Engineering, Leipzig, Germany, and Professor of Applied Physics at Leipzig University. From 1992 to 2017 he worked at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in Berkeley, CA, USA, and from 1987 to 1991 at the Academy of Science in East Berlin, Germany. He studied physics in Wroclaw, Poland, Berlin, (East) Germany, and Moscow (Russia, then Soviet Union), to obtain his PhD degree from Humboldt University in Berlin in 1987. André is

a specialist in applied plasma physics and materials sciences, especially on thin film deposition by plasma-based methods. He has authored 3 books and more than 350 peer-reviewed journal papers (over 23,000 citations). For ten years (2014-2024) he was the Editor-in-Chief of Journal of Applied Physics, published by AIP Publishing, Melville, NY. His work was recognized by several awards, including the 2016 Nathaniel Sugerman Memorial Award of the SVC, and election to Fellow of APS, AVS, IEEE, and InstPhys (UK).

Materials Science-Based Guidelines to Develop Robust Hard Coatings

Paul H. Mayrhofer

Technische Universität Wien, Vienna, Austria

For mechanically dominated load profiles, nitrides are preferred as the base material for structural and functional hard coatings, while oxide-based materials offer better protection against high-temperature corrosion (such as oxidation). Thus, when mechanical and thermal loads are combined, the nitrides used should also have excellent stability against temperature and oxidation. How to develop such nitride materials that can withstand both high mechanical and thermal loads is the focus of this review article. This is done primarily with the help of experimental and theoretical investigations of the Ti-Al-N system. On the basis of transition metal nitride coatings, we discuss important material development guidelines for improved strength, fracture toughness as well as thermal stability and oxidation resistance. Using various superlattice coatings, we further discuss how such nanolamellar microstructures can improve both the strength and fracture toughness of hard coating materials. In addition, other concepts for improving fracture toughness are discussed, with a focus on those that can increase both fracture toughness and hardness. The individual concepts allow to design materials to meet the ever-growing demand for coatings with a wide range of excellent properties and outstanding property combinations.



Dr. Paul Mayrhofer is a University Professor of Materials Science at the Institute of Materials Science and Technology, and chairs the Materials Science Division at TU Wien, Vienna, since 2012. He earned his Ph.D. in 2001 and Habilitation in 2005 in Materials Science at the University of Leoben. His post-doctoral work and Erwin-Schrödinger Fellowship took him to the University of Illinois, RWTH Aachen, and Linköping University. Paul pioneered age hardening in hard ceramic thin films based on ternary nitrides and borides and has a deep interest in phase transitions.

His research focuses on developing and characterizing vapor-phase deposited nanostructured protective and functional materials through a combination of computational and experimental approaches. He has received numerous prestigious awards, including the START Prize from the Austrian Science Fund in 2007, the Christian Doppler Laboratory in 2011, appointed Fellow of the American Vacuum Society (AVS) in 2018, the Bill Sproul Award and Honorary Lecture from AVS in 2023, and the Dr.- Wolfgang-Houska-Preis in 2024. Paul is an elected member of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and served/serves the community in numerous appointed and elected positions including: Advanced Surface and Engineering Division (ASED) of AVS Long Range Planning Committee Chair; ICMCTF Symposium, Program, and General Chair; ASED Symposium Chair; ASED Chair; President of the Austrian Vacuum Society; Councilor to IUVSTA; Board of the Austrian Science Fund; Scientific Advisory Board of the Theodor Körner Fonds; Dean of Academic Affairs at TU Wien.

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Speakers for the 2025 TechCon

Crystals Generated in a Microgravity Environment

Kenneth Savin

Redwire, Indianapolis, IN

Redwire's heritage efforts have included manufacturing prototypes and science enablers for individuals doing work in orbit and can find their foundation in work performed on Space Shuttle missions starting over 30 years ago. A recent focus for us has been the systems that facilitate the development of pharmaceutical crystals.

In general, both small and large molecule drugs, are often best formulated as crystals. The crystalline state is more easily handled, isolated and is relatively stable but can suffer from polymorphism and size coefficients of variation that are too large. A potential solution to these problems was impressed upon us by the result found in the microgravity enabled crystal growing experiment of the monoclonal antibody, Pembrolizumab marketed by Merck as the product, Keytruda. Creating new forms and potentially improving the existing forms of drugs in microgravity with greater crystalline uniformity and less variation in size allows for new polymorphs could lead to faster development times, less waste in the process of making the drugs, and possibly lead to new modes of delivery.

We will present results demonstrating the difference in crystals formed terrestrially vs those generated on the International Space Station Platform and describe the use of those crystals for future terrestrial production of pharmaceuticals.



After receiving his PhD from the University of Utah in synthetic organic chemistry, **Dr. Kenneth Savin** did a post doc at the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center before going on to work for Eli Lilly and Co. as a senior research scientist. During his 20-year career in the pharmaceutical industry, Ken led discovery chemistry research teams, discovery operations, radiochemistry, drug disposition, chemistry development and product teams as well as being an adjunct faculty member at Butler University.

During the last four years of Ken's industrial career, he led an effort that resulted in five separate flight experiments flown on the International Space Station. After retiring from Lilly, he joined the team at The Center for the Advancement of Science In Space (the operators of the International Space Station US National Lab) working in both Business Development, as a science lead and ultimately as the Sr. Director of In Space Production Applications. During his time at CASIS Ken worked with a team at NASA to develop the In Space Production and Applications program that is run out of NASA as an effort to develop products in space that will benefit life on the Earth. Ken joined the Redwire team in early 2022 to be the Chief Scientific Officer at Redwire. His focus at Redwire has been on the commercialization of work performed in the labs at Redwire and in developing partnerships that will lead to better products and easier access to the value that space based products can have to humanity.

Machine Learning for Atomic Layer Deposition: Accelerating Optimization and Predicting Scale Up of Thin Film Growth Processes

Angel Yanguas-Gil

Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, IL

Fast process optimization is critical to help reduce the cost of development and adoption of novel thin film-based technologies. Examples include energy technologies, where low cost manufacturing is key to ensure commercial viability, and microelectronics, where longer processing times, with substrates sometimes spending weeks in a fab before reaching a specific step, higher complexity, and ever stringent requirements compound the cost of innovation at the leading technology nodes. Current approaches to transfer technologies from lab to manufacturing often require extensive tool time and characterization or, when assisted by simulations, accurate models carefully tuned to each specific process.

In this presentation I will explore how machine learning can be leveraged to help accelerate the optimization of atomic layer deposition. In particular, I will highlight two different approaches: the first one explores the use of surrogate models to connect experimental metrology data with optimal processing conditions. We have explored two different cases: optimizing a process within a reactor and optimizing process transfer to a different reactor. In both cases, we show that, for thermal ALD processes, the information contained in thickness profiles in undersaturated

conditions is enough to help predict optimal dose times both within and across different reactors. We also extended this methodology to the case of plasma-assisted deposition processes. The second approach relies on the use of in-situ characterization techniques to design self-driving deposition tools that can automatically search and identify optimal process conditions. For this approach, we developed a two step process where algorithms are tested first using simulations and digital twins of the reactors before being experimentally deployed. This methodology can lead to x100 faster process optimization compared to standard growth-vent-characterize optimization cycles.



Dr. Angel Yanguas-Gil is Principal Materials Scientist at Argonne National Laboratory, where his research focuses on the fundamentals of thin film growth and semiconductor processing, neuromorphic computing, and Al. He is particularly interested in chemistry-based techniques such as atomic layer deposition. With a background in theoretical physics, Angel obtained his PhD at the University of Seville, Spain in 2006. Before joining Argonne in 2009, he was a postdoctoral researcher at Ruhr Universitaet in Germany and at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Angel currently

serves in the program committees of the Electronic Materials Conference and the International Conference on Atomic Layer Deposition and is part of Argonne's Microelectronics Institute and a board member of the Argonne Quantum Institute. He was also the 2022 chair of the AVS Thin Film Division and a member of the program committee of the International Conference on Neuromorphic Systems. Beyond his research interests, he is an advocate of open source software and its application to materials, chemistry, and manufacturing.

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Invited Speakers

Atomic Layer Processing (ALP)



Spatial Atomic Layer Deposition: A New Revolution in Ultra-Fast Production of Conformal and **High-Quality Thin-Film Coatings** John Rönn, Sauli Virtanen, Philipp Maydannik, Sami Sneck Beneq Oy, Espoo, Finland

Electron Beam Processes



Innovative Approach to Low-Temperature **Deposition of Ceramic TBC Coatings Using Hollow Cathode Plasma** in the EB-PVD Process

Andrzej Nowotnik, Grzegorz Maciaszek, Damian Nabel, Krzysztof Cioch Rzeszow University of Technology, Rzeszow, Poland

Coatings and Processes for Biomedical Applications



Hierarchical Surface Restructuring: The Technology of the Future for Sustainable, High Performing and Multifunctional Neural Interfacing Electrodes and Microelectrode Arrays

Shahram Amini Pulse Technologies Inc., Quakertown, PA

High Power Impulse Magnetron Sputtering (HIPIMS)



HIPIMS Technology in Industrial Applications Klaus Boebel¹, Julien Keraudy¹, Konrad Fadenberger², Denis Kurapov¹, Jörg Vetter³

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³J.Vetter-S3-Consulting, Bergisch Gladbach, Germany

Coatings for Energy Conversion and Related Processes



Thin-Film Technology Innovations for Silicon Heterojunction Solar Cell Kaining Ding, Karsten Bittkau, Alexander Eberst, Andreas Lambertz, Uwe Rau Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, Jülich, Germany

Reactive Sputtering of High Entropy Alloy Nitride, Carbide, and Oxide Thin Films by **HiPIMS: Effect of Reactive Gas Flow Rates**

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²Chang Gung University, Taoyuan, Taiwan ³National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan ⁴National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, Taipei, Taiwan

⁵New Taipei Municipal TuCheng Hospital, Chang Gung Memorial, Taiwan

Digital Transformation through Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Simulation, and Data Science in the Thin Film Industry



Physics-Informed Data-Driven Approaches to Plasma Processing Technologies Satoshi Hamaguchi Osaka University, Osaka, Japan

Large Area Coatings



Trends in Large Area Coating for **Glazing Applications** Paul C. Mogensen Saint-Gobain Glass France, Courbevoie, France

Emerging and Translational Technologies and Application



Flash Lamp Annealing - A New Approach to Surface Engineering Challenges Jörg Neidhardt¹, Thomas Preußner¹, Marcel Neubert²

Invited Speakers

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Optical Coatings



Effect of Copper Doping on the Optical and Electrical Properties of Aluminum-Chlorophthalocyanine (AICIPc) Thin Films for Photovoltaic Applications

Zakaria Kabore, B. Abdel Samad Université de Moncton, Moncton, NB, Canada



Plasma Nitriding and PACVD Coating As Complementary Technology for PVD for Big **Industrial Applications**

S. Haas¹, A. Gebeshuber¹, Christian Übleis¹, Christoph Lugmair¹, D. Heim², C. Forsich² ¹Rübig GmbH & Co KG, Wels, Austria ²University of Applied Sciences, Wels, Austria



Optical Coatings and Plasma Processes for Quantum Computing Hardware

Ulrike Schulz¹, Astrid Bingel¹, Anne Gaertner¹, Nancy Gratzke¹, Thomas Fricke-Begemann², Gregor Matz², Friedrich Rickelt¹

¹Fraunhofer Institute of Applied Optics and Precision Engineering IOF, Jena, Germany

²Qioptiq, Goettingen, Germany

Process Monitoring, Control, and Automation



Al and In Situ Diagnostics Enabled **Autonomous PLD System for Fast Thin Film Material Fabrication**

Sumner B. Harris¹, Arpan Biswas², Daniel T. Yimam¹, Ruth Fajardo³, Feng Bao³, Christopher Rouleau¹, Alexander Puretzky¹, Kai Xiao¹, Rama Vasudevan¹

¹Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN ²University of Tennessee – Oak Ridge, Oak Ridge, TN

³Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Organic and Perovskite Electronics



Vacuum Coating of Metal Halide Perovskite Thin Films for Photovoltaic Applications: Challenges and Opportunities

Zhaoning Song, Yanfa Yan The University of Toledo, Toledo, OH



Critical Subsystem Suppliers: Enabling Technologies for the Next Generation of **Advanced Vacuum Processing Equipment** John West, Stefan Chitoraga



Engineering Organic and Metal-halide Perovskite Thin Films and Devices via Vapor Processing Russell J. Holmes University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Protective, Tribological and Decorative Coatings

Yole Group, Villeurbanne, France



CVD-Diamond Coatings for High Performing Tools and Components

Christian Stein, Markus Höfer, Sarah Baron, Markus Armgardt, Daniel Schulze, Tino Harig, Volker Sittinger

Fraunhofer Institute for Surface Engineering and Thin Films IST, Braunschweig, Germany





Data-Integrated Modeling for Memristive Device Processing

Jan Trieschmann¹, Rouven Lamprecht¹, Tobias Gergs¹, Christian Stüwe¹, Luca Vialetto^{1,2}, Sahitya Yarragolla^{1,3}, Finn Zahari¹, Richard Marquardt¹, Thomas Mussenbrock³, Hermann Kohlstedt¹ ¹Kiel University, Kiel, Germany

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PVD Coatings for Cutting Tools: Trends and Visions

Jeffrey Barlow¹, Ryan Lake¹, Christoph Schiffers² ¹CemeCon Inc., Horseheads, NY ²CemeCon AG; Würselen, Germany

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Invited Speakers

Quantum Computing



Understanding and Surpassing Materials Challenges in Superconducting Quantum Devices Adam Schwartzberg, Shaul Aloni, Sinéad Griffin, Yashwanth Balaji, Mythili Surendran Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, CA



High Quality Superconducting Resonators from a Magnetically-Contaminated Sputter System Maciej W. Olszewski¹, Jadrien T. Paustian², Tathagata Banerjee¹, Haoran Lu¹, Aleksandra Biedron¹, Jorge L. Ramirez^{4,5}, Zhaslan Baraissov¹, David Muller¹, Ivan V. Pechenezhskiy², Daniel Ralph^{1,6}, Gregory D. Fuchs1, Corey Rae H. McRae4,5, Britton Plourde⁷, Valla Fatemi¹ ¹Cornell University, Ithaca, NY ²Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY ³NY CREATES, Albany, NY ⁴University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, CO ⁵National Institute for Standards and Technology, Boulder, CO ⁶Kavli Institute at Cornell for Nanoscale Science, Ithaca, NY

⁷University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI

Selective Atomic Scale Processes



Area Selective Atomic Layer Deposition for Future Microelectronics Stacey F. Bent Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Thin Film Sensors



Development of Highly Sensitive Short-Wavelength Infrared Avalanche Photodiodes

Seunghyun (Jacob) Lee University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX

Two-Dimensional (2D) Materials and **Heterostructures – Applications, Large-Scale Growth and Advanced Characterization**



2D Materials for Next-Generation Electronics: From Low-Power Logic to Monolithic Memory **Deep Jariwala** University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA





Colloquilling Hill

The modern SVC era has been the most intense period of innovation, member engagement, event management, and technology focus in the SVC's sixty-seven year history. The SVC is completely focused on our stakeholders, developing an inclusive culture of listening, adopting, refining, and improving approaches that enhance the unique networking and problem solving culture that sets the SVC apart from all other professional organizations. In the spirit of this culture, we are proud to announce, "Colloquium at the TechCon"; a series of focused, technical conversations that address critical industrial needs. This meeting format was first introduced at the 2022 TechCon in Long Beach and based on the extremely positive feedback, we are bringing it back yet again in 2025!

Each topical workshop will be anchored by a technical presentation or series of presentations that will frame a follow-on roundtable discussion. Subject matter experts will be acting as moderators to facilitate discussions and promote interaction and networking between the attendees. As part tutorial, part problem solving, and part networking, the "Colloquium at the TechCon" represents the vanguard of the SVC's efforts to enhance and redefine the technical conference experience. These workshops will be open to all of our conference attendees and exhibitors.



Thursday, May 22, 2025

12:40 PM • Tennesseee B Ballroom

HIPIMS-Facts and Fiction

Moderator: Herbert Gabriel (PVT)

Event Description: High Power Impulse Magnetron Sputtering (HIPIMS) was discovered 25 years ago and has become a disruptive technology within the vacuum coating field. Although HIPIMS has become a mainstay in the semiconductor and in several other industries, there are still many misconceptions regarding its benefits and limitations. The purpose of this colloquium is to pragmatically separate fact from fiction. As a



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disruptive technology the promise is tempered by perception and expectation. Our panel will address the following areas to concretely bring to light the potential and reality of HIPIMS.

- 1) Deposition rate
- 2) Ion energy/selection and plasma density
- 3) Productivity
- 4) Scalability challenges
- 5) Applications

We will dedicate 25 minutes to each area led by a short presentation followed by a roundtable question and answer period. At the end of the session, we'll ask for further questions and comments.

Panelists:

- Ion energy/selection and plasma density
 - Arutiun Ehiasarian Sheffield Hallam University
- Deposition rate of HIPIMS processes
 - Ralf Bandorf Fraunhofer IST
- Productivity of HIPIMS processes
 - Frank Papa GP Plasma
- Scalability of HIPIMS processes
- Daniel Loch Trumpf Huettinger
- Industrial applications and products available today
 - Ivan Shchelkanov Starfire Industries



Arutiun Fhiasaria





Frank Pana

Ivan Shchelkanov



For more information contact the SVC at 505-897-7743 or CLICK HERE

A Large Success Factor of Vacuum Coating: The Right Cleaning!

Moderator: **Dr.-Ing. Martin Engels** (*lonbond Group*)

Event Description: Pre-cleaning is a highly critical and important step before PVD (Physical Vapor Deposition) processes in order to ensure that the substrate surface is free of contaminants, oxides, and organic materials that could significantly reduce the adhesion of the deposited thin film to the substrate. Adhesion of coatings is a crucial aspect



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in order to obtain reproducible production quality, especially for mass production of coated parts, like automotive or decorative components.

For PVD mass production, the pre-cleaning is generally performed with either aqueous or solvent cleaning lines, which can be designed as so-called multi-tank systems or monoline chambers. Furthermore, hybrid systems which combine these approaches are available for end users as well. Generally, the chosen design, technology and chemistries in a cleaning line highly depend on the products to be washed and coated. For example, automotive components like piston pins are normally oiled and the oil needs to be removed, whereas the parts must be protected against corrosion between washing and coating. In addition, cleaned surface finishes of decorative parts need full attention on rinsing and drying to avoid any visual contamination like water stains. To meet these requirements, a high level of experience and understanding of cleaning machine designs, cleaning chemicals, and the related processes is needed to provide the best solution to coating operations.

In order to give the TechCon participants a deeper insight into this very important factor of vacuum coating related processes, we have gathered a team of experts, who will cover the different cleaning technologies as well as chemicals which are used to reach effective and efficient cleaning solutions:



Ken Allen

Panelists:

Ken Allen Novatec S.r.l. (Executive Director North America)

35 years experience in ultrasonic cleaning; primary expertise in developing precision cleaning processes in Aerospace, Textile, Medical, PVD/CVD Coating, and general metal finishing applications.



18 years experience in sales and consulting for industrial cleaning tasks, especially also for cleaning of metals prior to PVD applications.

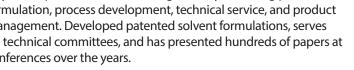


15+ years of industry experience in advising companies across diverse sectors, including the safe and sustainable use of solvent cleaning, but also aqueous based cleaning in demanding applications.



Stefan Lukowski

Beth Bivins KYZEN CORPORATION (Global Products Line Manager – Solvents) 35 years experience in the cleaning industry, including product formulation, process development, technical service, and product management. Developed patented solvent formulations, serves on technical committees, and has presented hundreds of papers at conferences over the years.





Beth Bivins

Dipl.-Ing. Karl Trautz HEMO GmbH (Project Engineering and Sales) 25+ years experience in the field of industrial cleaning technology;

focus on special applications, challenging industries and unexplored regional markets worldwide; unique cleaning processes such as Hybrid and Beyond.



Karl Trautz

Monitor Deposition in Real Time

Ellipsometry offers solutions that improve your process with live feedback.



+OPTIMIZE DEPOSITION PROCESS

Determine thickness and optical properties of films and multi-layer stacks for metals and dielectrics

+IMPROVE QUALITY CONTROL

Detect variations as they occur with live feedback during the deposition process

+MONITOR GROWTH KINETICS

Sub-angstrom thickness sensitivity provides additional information about film nucleation, surface conditions and other process conditions



Technical Program

DAYS AT A GLANCE

SATURDAY • MAY 17 | SUNDAY • MAY 18 | MONDAY • MAY 19

Saturday At A Glance

Education Program

Full Day Tutorials 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

- C-310 Sputtering (Bandorf) Cheekwood F
- C-333 Practice and Application of High-Power Impulse Magnetron Sputtering (Ehiasarian/Gerdes) Cheekwood A

Sunday At A Glance

Education Program

Full Day Tutorials 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

- C-212 Troubleshooting for Thin Film Deposition Processes (Miller) Cheekwood A
- C-218 Advanced Design of Optical Thin Films (Willey)
 Pre-recorded tutorial/Virtual
- C-323 Fundamentals of High-Power Impulse Magnetron Sputtering – HIPIMS (Ehiasarian) Cheekwood F
- C-338 Application of Reactive Sputtering (Bandorf/Gerdes)
 Cheekwood C

Half Day Tutorial 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

 M-240 Basics and Applications of Electron Beam Technology for Manufacturing Processes (Saager) Cheekwood D

Special Events

- SVC Board of Directors/Committee Chairs Meeting 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Belle Meade A/B
- Moderators Training Session
 3:30 PM 4:00 PM Tennessee C Ballroom
- SVC Board of Directors Meet and Greet
 6:30 PM 7:30 PM Tennessee Ballroom Foyer (invitation only)
- Young Members Meeting 7:30 PM 8:30 PM
 Tennessee C Ballroom

Monday At A Glance

Education Program

Full Day Tutorials 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

- C-110 Materials for PVD Applications (Pernagidis/Ghailane)
 Cheekwood H
- VT-240 Practical Elements of Leak Detection (Deluca)
 Cheekwood B

Half Day Tutorials 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

- C-220 Introduction to Two-Dimensional Materials (Muratore)
 Cheekwood C
- M-110 Introduction to X-Ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy (Linford) Cheekwood F
- M-140 Mass Flow Controllers: Fundamentals, Troubleshooting, and Calibration (Lewey) Cheekwood G

Half Day Tutorials 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

- M-201 Flexible Electronics (Muratore) Cheekwood C
- M-210 Introduction to Solid-State Thin Film Batteries (Gaines)
 Cheekwood G
- M-250 Deposition Process Simulation (Gerdes) Cheekwood F

Special Events

- Technology Forum Breakfasts 7:00 AM 8:30 AM
 - → Manufacturing in Space Cheekwood A
 - → Protective, Reflective, and Decorative Coatings Cheekwood B
 - → Transparent Conductive Materials (TCM) Cheekwood C
 - → Atmospheric Plasma Technology Cheekwood F
 - → Post-Processing of Vacuum-Coated Roll-to-Roll Products Cheekwood G
- → Surface Engineering for the Hydrogen Economy Cheekwood H
- → Supply Chains, Manufacturing Processes, and Sustainability for Materials Enabling PVD Processes *Belmont A*
- → Durability Evaluation of Thin Film Coatings: Testing Methods and Practical Implications Belmont B
- SVC Annual Business Meeting 8:40 AM 9:10 AM Tennessee C Ballroom
- SVC 2025 TechCon Conference Introduction 9:20 AM 9:30 AM Tennessee C Ballroom
- Colloquium: A Large Success Factor of Vacuum Coating: The Right Cleaning! 2:10 PM – 4:10 PM Tennessee B Ballroom
- Women in the SVC Meeting 6:00 PM 7:00 PM Tennessee C Ballroom
- SVC Foundation Casino Night 8:00 PM 10:00 PM Magnolia Ballroom

Technical Sessions

- Keynote Speaker Paul Mayrhofer Materials Science-Based Guidelines to Develop Robust Hard Coatings
 9:30 AM – 10:10 AM Tennessee C Ballroom
- Optical Coatings AM/PM Tennessee A Ballroom
 Protective, Tribological, and Decorative Coatings AM/PM Tennessee B Ballroom
- Digital Transformation of Industrial Deposition Processes AM/PM Tennessee C Ballroom
- Electron Beam Processes AM Tennessee D/E Ballroom
- Donald Mattox Tutorial Speaker Kenneth Savin
 Crystals Generated in a Microgravity Environment
 1:20 PM 2:00 PM Tennessee C Ballroom
- Thin Film Sensors PM Tennessee A Ballroom
- Coatings for Energy Conversion and Related Processes PM
 Tennessee C Ballroom
- WebTech Roll-to-Roll Coatings for High-End Applications PM Tennessee D/E Ballroom

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Tuesday At A Glance

Education Program

Full Day Tutorials 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

- C-337 ITO and Alternative TCO: From Fundamentals to Controlling Properties (Bright) Cheekwood B
- VT-230 Design and Specification of Vacuum Deposition Systems (Belan) Cheekwood A

Half Day Tutorials 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

- C-210 Introduction to Plasma Processing (Baránková/Bardos) Cheekwood C
- C-214 Thin Film Deposition Optimization (Willey) Pre-recorded tutorial/Virtual
- C-230 Processing of Plastics for Better Protection, Reflection, and Decoration (Soper/Vergason) Cheekwood G

Half Day Tutorials 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

- C-306 Non-Conventional Plasma Sources and Methods in Processing Technology (Baránková/Bardos) Cheekwood C
- M-102 Introduction to Ellipsometry (Hilfiker) Cheekwood F

Special Events

- Technology Forum Breakfasts 7:00 AM 8:30 AM **International Ballroom North**
 - → Industrial Challenges: Uptime, Yield, and Consistency Cheekwood A
 - → Coatings and Surface Engineering for Medical Applications **Cheekwood B**
 - → Magnetron Sputtering Cheekwood C
 - → Leak Detection Issues and Practices Cheekwood D
 - → Energy Conversion and Storage Cheekwood F
 - Electron Beam Processes Cheekwood G
 - Process Monitoring and Control Cheekwood H
 - → High Power Impulse Magnetron Sputtering (HIPIMS) Belmont A
 - → Tribological and Diamond-Like Coatings Belmont B
- Awards Ceremony 8:40 AM 9:20 AM Tennessee C Ballroom
- B2B Exhibitor Coffee Hour (closed event) 10:00 AM 11:00 AM Exhibit Hall Ryman B1-B3
- Exhibit Hall Open 11:00 AM 6:00 PM Exhibit Hall Ryman B1-B3
- Welcome Reception 5:00 PM 6:00 PM **Exhibit Hall Ryman B1-B3**

Technical Sessions

- Protective, Tribological, and Decorative Coatings AM Tennessee A Ballroom
- **Emerging and Translational Technologies and Applications** AM Tennessee B Ballroom
- Process Monitoring, Control, and Automation AM/PM Tennessee C Ballroom

- Exhibitor Innovator Showcase AM Tennessee D/E Ballroom
- Selective Atomic Scale Processes AM Tennessee A Ballroom
- Two-Dimensional Materials and Heterostructures PM Tennessee A Ballroom
- Poster Session 2:30 PM 4:30 PM Exhibit Hall Ryman B1-B3

Wednesday At A Glance

Education Program

Full Day Tutorials 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

- C-217 Practical Production of Optical Thin Films (Willey) Pre-recorded tutorial/Virtual
- C-316 Introduction to Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD) Processes, Chemistries, and Applications (Biyikli) Cheekwood A

Half Day Tutorial 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

C-204 Basics of Vacuum Web Coating (Simmons) Cheekwood B

Half Day Tutorial 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

 C-320 Diamond-Like Carbon Coatings-from Basics to Industrial Realization (Keunecke/Savva/Haubold/Stein/Petzold) Cheekwood B

Special Events

- Technical Advisory Committee Breakfast Meetings
 - 7:00 AM 8:30 AM
 - → (1) Digital Transformation through Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Simulation, and Data Science in the Thin Film Industry, and (2) Process Monitoring, Control, and Automation Cheekwood A
 - → Atomic Layer Processing (ALP) Cheekwood B
 - → (1) High Power Impulse Magnetron Sputtering, and (2) Thin Film Contributions for the Hydrogen Economy Cheekwood C
 - → Coatings and Processes for Biomedical Applications Cheekwood D
 - → Optical Coatings Cheekwood E
 - → Coatings for Energy Conversion and Related Processes Cheekwood F
 - → Protective, Tribological and Decorative Coatings Cheekwood G
 - → Large Area Coatings Cheekwood H
 - → (1) Quantum Computing, and (2) Organic and Perovskite Electronics Belmont A
 - → Plasma Processing and Diagnostics Belmont B
 - → (1) Thin Film Sensors, (2) Emerging and Translational Technologies and Applications, and (3) WebTech Roll-to-Roll Technologies and Innovation Belle Meade C/D

Technical Program

DAYS AT A GLANCE

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- → (1) Electron Beam Processes, (2) Two-Dimensional (2D) Materials and Heterostructures - Applications, Large-Scale Growth and Advanced Characterization, and (3) Selective Atomic Scale Processes Magnolia Boardroom B
- Exhibitor Meeting (closed event) 9:00 AM 10:00 AM **Exhibit Hall Ryman B1-B3**
- Exhibit Hall Open 10:00 AM 4:00 PM **Exhibit Hall Ryman B1-B3**
- Beer Blast 2:00 PM 4:00 PM Exhibit Hall Ryman B1-B3
- Announcement of Best Poster Winner 3:00 PM **Exhibit Hall Ryman B1-B3**
- Program Committee Meeting 5:30 PM 7:30 PM Tennessee Foyer/Tennessee C Ballroom (invitation only)

Technical Sessions

- Keynote Speaker André Anders Equilibrium versus Non-Equilibrium Heating to Control the Microstructure of Coatings and Thin Films 8:40 AM - 9:20 AM Tennessee C Ballroom
- Organic and Perovskite Electronics AM Tennessee A Ballroom
- Process Monitoring, Control, and Automation AM Tennessee C Ballroom
- Exhibitor Innovator Showcase AM Tennessee D/E Ballroom
- Thin Film Contributions to the Hydrogen Economy AM **Tennessee B Ballroom**
- Quantum Computing AM Tennessee C Ballroom

Thursday At A Glance

Education Program

Full Day Tutorials 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

- C-212 Troubleshooting for Thin Film Deposition Processes Session 2 (Miller) Cheekwood C
- C-322 Characterization of Thick Films, Thin Films and Surfaces (Christensen) Cheekwood A
- M-120 Design of Experiments for R&D (Grace) Cheekwood B

Special Events

- Technology Forum Breakfasts 7:00 AM 8:30 AM **International Ballroom North**
 - → Digital Transformation of Industrial Deposition Processes Cheekwood A
 - → Aligning Deposition Process Requirements with Vacuum System Layout and Design Cheekwood B
 - → Optical Thin Film Design and Fabrication Cheekwood C
 - → Advanced Deposition Coating Hardware Cheekwood F
 - → Coatings for Thin Film Photovoltaics Cheekwood G
 - → CVD and ALD Processing Cheekwood H
 - → Thin Film Sensors Belmont A
 - → Ultra-Thin Flexible Glass The Next Big Thing? Belmont B

- Colloquium: Success Stories and Positive Adoption of HIPIMS 12:40 PM - 2:40 PM Tennessee B Ballroom
- Young Members Group/Farewell Social 6:00 PM 7:30 PM Water's Edge

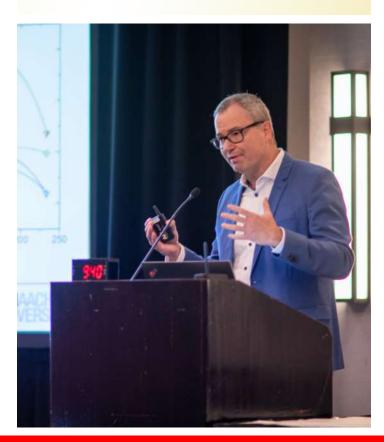
Technical Sessions

- Keynote Speaker Angel Yanguas-Gil Machine Learning for Atomic Layer Deposition: Accelerating Optimization and Predicting Scale Up of Thin Film Growth Processes 8:40 AM - 9:20 AM Tennessee C Ballroom
- Large Area Coatings AM/PM Tennessee A Ballroom
- High Power Impulse Magnetron Sputtering (HIPIMS) AM/PM Tennessee B Ballroom
- Plasma Processing and Diagnostics AM/PM Tennessee C Ballroom
- Coatings and Processes for Biomedical Applications AM Tennessee D/E Ballroom
- Atomic Layer Processing PM Tennessee C Ballroom

Friday At A Glance

Special Events

 Board of Directors TechCon Wrap Up Meeting 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Belmont C



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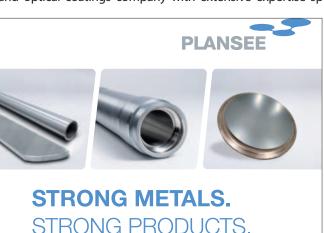
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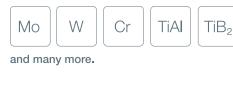
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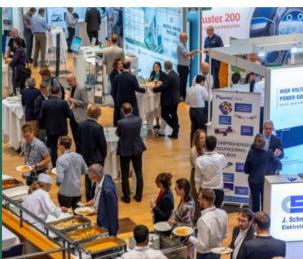
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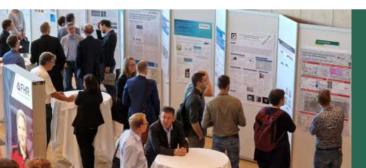
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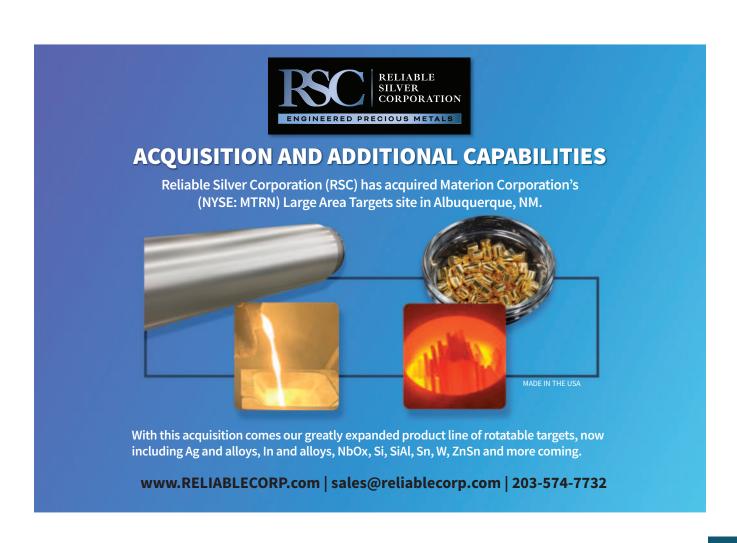
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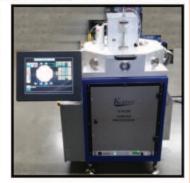
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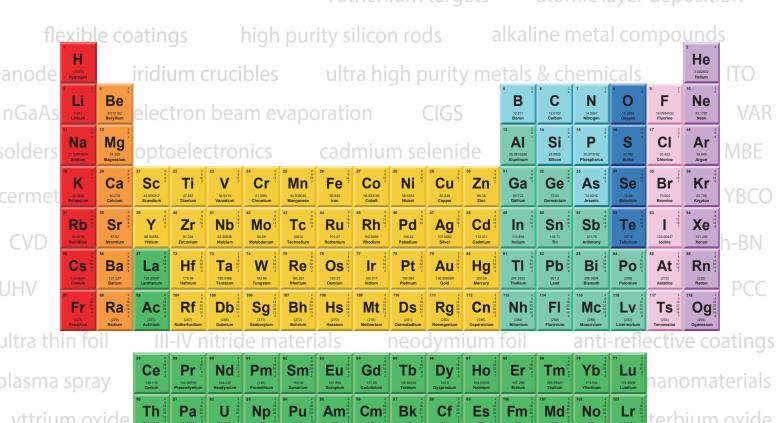
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