25TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AMORPHOUS AND NANOCRYSTALLINE SEMICONDUCTORS

Nearly Half-Century of History



18 **–** 23 August 2013

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BACKGROUND

The 25th International Conference on Amorphous and Nanocrystalline Semiconductors continues the series of biennial conferences that has become the principle international gathering of researchers in the field of amorphous semiconductors and related materials. The conference has a long tradition and history dating to the first meeting held in Prague in 1965. The ICANS25 is the nearly 50th year anniversary conference.

MISSION

The ICANS conference series brings together the brightest international minds from universities, research institutions, and industries across Europe, Asia, North America, Australia, South America and Africa to exchange and discuss the latest research in the field of amorphous and nanocrystalline semiconductors, including organics, oxides, materials and devices.

The conference invites leading experts in their respective fields to speak to both established scientists and engineers, and new and budding researchers.

The conference provides a venue for leading researchers to speak to students and provide them with the background knowledge and apprise them of the state-of-the-art thus providing them with the necessary tools to forge fundamental and applied advances in amorphous and nanocrystalline materials and devices.

HISTORY AND SCOPE

ICANS25, the 25th International Conference on Amorphous and Nanocrystalline Semiconductors, to be held in Toronto, Canada is a biennial premier conference in the area of amorphous semiconductors and related materials, including organic and oxide semiconductors.

The ICANS conference series, though having its origins mainly in amorphous and liquid semiconductors dating back to the 1965 (Prague) meeting, in its present form covers a broad range of materials, including nanocrystalline and organic semiconductors. The topics range from the physics and chemistry of fundamental phenomena to the engineering of materials and devices.

In the last fifteen years, microcrystalline and nanocrystalline semiconductors have become a key-component of this conference, and has complemented the traditional focus on amorphous thin films such as hydrogenated Si (a-Si:H) and chalcogenides glasses.

In addition, in the last ten years, the conference has featured key sessions on amorphous and nanocrystalline oxides and organic semiconductors, and phase change memory materials. Sessions on film growth mechanisms, medium-range order, defects, metastability, electronic transport, optical properties, sensors, TFTs, and photovoltaics provide opportunities for cross-fertilization among researchers working on diverse material systems and applications.



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MOTT LECTURE



The conference has a Mott Lecture as an opening plenary talk to honor Sir Neville Mott's many contributions to this conference. Previous Mott lectures were given by, Walter Spear, Robert Street, Josef Stuke, Hellmut Fritzsche, Kazunobu Tanaka, William Paul, Ted Davis, Gerry Lucovsky, Martin Stutzmann, Lothar Ley, Akihisa Matsuda, P. Craig Taylor, Walther Fuhs, Sigurd Wagner, Jan Kočka.

The ICANS25, continuing in this tradition, will also have a Mott Lecture.

In addition, the ICANS25 will feature "The Nearly Fifty Years of ICANS Lectures" highlighting contributions to the field over the last five decades.

The ICANS25 meeting will also feature a full-day of tutorials on the Sunday immediately prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Sir Neville Mott, Nobel Laureate, 1977

TOPICS

The ICANS conference covers the physics and applications of amorphous, nanocrystalline and microcrystalline semiconductors, including organic and oxide semiconductors. Specific topics include:

- Hydrogenated amorphous and nanocrystalline silicon (a-Si:H) & alloys
- Preparation and properties
- Structure, defects and metastability
- Organic semiconductors
- Oxide semiconductors
- Transparent oxides
- Thin film transistors (TFTs), devices, & sensors
- Photovoltaics from materials and fabrication to device performance
- Large area electronics, and displays

- X-ray image detectors
- Carbon and related materials
- Chalcogenide glasses
- Phase change materials and applications
- Oxide TFTs and sensors
- Characterization techniques
- Theory of charge transport
- Optical properties
- Structural modeling
- Device modeling



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VENUE

The conference venue will be the University of Toronto. Conference lectures and tutorials will be held in the Bahen Centre for Information Technology at the University's main St. George campus in downtown Toronto.

The plenary Mott Lecture and The Nearly Fifty Years of ICANS Lectures will be held in the McLeod Auditorium in the Medical Sciences Building, contiguously situated on the St. George campus.



CONFERENCE CHAIRS AND CANADIAN ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

ICANS25 is the first conference in this series to be hosted in Canada.

The conference organization is Pan Canadian:

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DETAILS OF EVENTS

LECTURES

The conference will feature the Mott Lecture and The half-century ICANS Anniversary Plenary Lectures. These lectures will be held in the McLeod Auditorium of the Medical Sciences building.

In addition, three parallel lecture sessions will be held in the lecture halls of the Bahen Centre for Information Technology building. All lecture halls are closely located on the ground floor of the building.

Each of the parallel sessions will begin with an invited lecture from a leading expert in the field, followed by contributed oral lectures.

In order to provide ample opportunity for networking, the conference registration includes lunches every day in the spacious Great Hall at Hart House on the St. George Campus – only minutes away on foot from the Bahen Centre for Information Technology and Medical Sciences buildings. Usual mid-morning and mid-afternoon refreshment breaks are also included between lecture sessions.

In addition, the spacious Bahen Centre for Information Technology building provides ample meeting areas for the conference attendees.

POSTERS

The conference includes two poster sessions, each with approximately 100 posters, which will be held on Monday and Tuesday – late afternoon – early evening. The poster sessions will be organized thematically in several "tutorial" rooms on the second floor of the Bahen Centre for Information Technology building while availing the large interconnecting hallways and rotunda.

The poster sessions are an excellent venue for scientific exchange and networking. Catering service will provide hors d'oeuvres and drinks during the poster sessions.

TUTORIALS

A series of tutorials are planned for Sunday, August 18 suitable for students and those interested in learning more about the field. There will be two plenary sessions in the morning on electronic structure and charge transport in disordered materials and photovoltaics, and three parallel sessions in the afternoon on amorphous and nanocrystalline silicon, chalcogenide semiconductors, and organic semiconductors.

The tutorial lectures will be held on the ground floor of the Bahen Centre for Information Technology building. Catering service will provide lunch, in addition to mid-morning and mid-afternoon refreshments, thus providing for a conducive learning atmosphere.



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WELCOMING RECEPTION

The Welcoming Reception will be held in the Quadrangle at Hart House. Hart House catering service will provide a warm welcoming barbecue to international, national and local conference attendees, setting the scientific tone of exchange of ideas for the conference.

CONFERENCE DINNER AND EXCURSION

The conference dinner (included in full conference registration) will be held in the Great Hall of Hart House. The conference dinner will be held on Thursday evening, the last evening of the conference which will be the culminating networking event. The conference dinner will include a keynote speaker.

A conference excursion to Niagara Falls (not included in the conference registration) is planned for Wednesday afternoon. The event will provide an additional networking opportunity to participants.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 18th, 2013

- Tutorial Sessions (morning and afternoon)
- Welcoming Reception (early evening)

Monday, August 19th, 2013

- Plenary Sessions (Mott, Anniversary Lectures) (morning)
- 3 Parallel Lecture Sessions (afternoon)
- Poste Session 1 (early evening)

Tuesday, August 20th, 2013

- 3 Parallel Lecture Sessions (morning and afternoon)
- Poste Session 2 (early evening)

Wednesday, August 21st, 2013

- 3 Parallel Lectures Sessions (morning)
- Excursion (afternoon to Niagara Falls)

Thursday, August 22nd, 2013

- 3 Parallel Lectures Sessions (morning and afternoon)
- Conference Dinner (evening)

Friday, August 23rd 2013

- 3 Parallel Lectures Sessions
- Anniversary Lectures, Conference Closing



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WHY YOUR INVOLVEMENT AND SUPPORT IS IMPORTANT?

The ICANS25 Conference, coming to Canada for the first time, will bring together world leaders from academia and industry to present, discuss and debate the fundamental and applied state-of-the-art in amorphous and nanocrystalline materials and devices.

Materials and devices developments at the amorphous and nano levels comprise "technology enablers" which drive the high-tech sectors.

This event will provide a networking venue that will foster scientific and technological learning, inspire novel ideas, and establish collaborations that will positively impact the economic landscape – locally, nationally and internationally.

The ICANS25 Conference anticipates the participation of 300 delegates, including regular and student registrants.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK LONG CONFERENCE

- Exhibitions (corporate and institutional sponsors) in the large hallways of the Bahen Centre for Information Technology building during the entire conference
- All-day Sunday Tutorial Lectures for students and interested participants
- A series of invited internationally renowned speakers and contributed oral talks from leaders in the field
- Two interactive poster sessions with approximately 100 posters each
- Interactive Lunches catered in the Great Hall of Hart House
- Welcoming Barbecue Reception and Conference Dinner at Hart House

HOW TO GET INVOLVED?

DONATIONS

Monetary contributions are an essential part of this non-profit conference. The generosity of sponsors in the host country makes this premier conference a success. Investing in the conference ultimately drives the economic and social well-being at the local, national and international levels – impacting students, industry, governmental and non-governmental institutions, and academia.

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