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**Nanoscale Schottky Barrier
Height Mapping at Metal/Semiconductor Interfaces** ROBERT BALSANO,
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Engineering — Metal/semiconductor interfaces form a rectifying contact known as
a Schottky diode characterized by a barrier height that is governed by the charge
transfer and localized bonding at the interface. Conventional current voltage spec-
troscopy measures a spatially averaged barrier height. Ballistic electron emission
microscopy (BEEM) is a scanning tunneling microscopy (STM) technique that can
measure barrier heights with nanoscale resolution due to the nano-positioning of the
STM tip. In this presentation, the Schottky barrier height is mapped with nanoscale
resolution at several metal/silicon interfaces. These maps provide insight into the
distribution and spatial homogeneity of the barrier height. In addition, they have
the potential to identify and differentiate between different metal species at the
interface as well as identify oxides and defects as well.

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