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The IRPS promotes the greater understanding of the reliability and performance of integrated circuits and microelectronic assemblies in the user's environment. IRPS accomplishes this by offering its attendees the opportunity to attend technical sessions, tutorials, workshops, and a new poster session, all covering state-of-the-art developments in electronic reliability. **By adding the new poster session, IRPS provides an opportunity for more authors to present their work than had been possible under the prior format.**

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- C. presents new, innovative, or improved failure analysis techniques or theoretical modeling and simulation of failure mechanisms;
- D. describes reliability testing, qualification, and screening methodologies for materials and devices;
- E. quantifies the impact of device and circuit design, material, and process selection on reliability;
- F. demonstrates techniques to build-in or extend reliability.

For Silicon (Integrated Circuits, Discrete Devices, MEMS) and Non-Silicon (GaAs, LEDs and Diode Lasers, Optical Fiber and Flat Panel Displays) Devices IN THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC AREAS:

Non-Volatile Memory—Unique Reliability Phenomena and Failure Mechanisms in Non-Volatile Memories.

Product Reliability and Burn-in—Case Histories of Product Reliability Issues; Wafer-Level Reliability Issues. New or Novel Failure Modes in Logic/Memory ICs, Burn-In Elimination Strategies, Wafer-Level Burn-In

Yield Enhancement Effects on Reliability—Correlation between Yield, Infant Mortality, Burn-In

Assembly and Packaging—Package/Assembly Reliability, Stress Modeling, Cu and Low-K Issues, Chip Scale Integration.

Channel Hot Carriers—New Hot Carrier Phenomena; Reliability of Alternative Dielectrics; Oxide Degradation Mechanisms

Interconnects—EM Phenomena in Cu and AL Systems; Low-K/Oxide Inter/Intra-Level Reliability; Mechanical Stress Related Reliability Issues

Device and Process—Reliability Driven Process Interactions; New Process-Related Reliability Issues. Includes Si, and Non Si based, OptoElectronics, MEMS

Device Dielectrics—Oxide Breakdown Mechanisms; New or Novel Dielectric Systems Reliability; Processing Interactions, Non-Volatile Memory

ESD and Latch-Up—Novel Structures including SOI and Bipolar; Damage Interpretation

Process Induced Damage—Reliability Degradation Associated with Damage; Early Detection and Reliability Analysis

Failure Analysis—New Failure Mechanisms and Failure Analysis Techniques, Case Histories

Qualification Strategies—New Techniques for Technology or Process Qualification; Case Histories or Best Practices to Reduce Time-to-Market

Submission Deadline (Abstracts Must Be Received By): September 15, 2001

Abstract Preparation: Paper and poster acceptance is based entirely on summary submission. Your work must be **original** and **unpublished**. Authors should declare whether the submission is for consideration as paper only, poster only, or either paper or poster. Your summary shall be a **maximum of two pages long**, and shall clearly and concisely state the specific results of your work, why it is important, and how it relates to prior work. The summary should include graphs, drawings, photographs, and key references as necessary within the two-page limit. Separate from the two-page summary, we also require a cover page with a 50-word abstract of your work, the category of submission from the above listing, as well as the authors' affiliation, addresses, phone & FAX numbers and e-mail addresses.

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Presentation: Papers will be presented in both plenary and parallel technical sessions. Posters will be open for presentation during the Tuesday evening reception approximately one hour after the reception begins.

Proceedings Manuscript: Final, camera-ready manuscripts of the final paper must be received by February 4, 2002 so that the proceedings can be available at the Symposium. Submissions accepted as posters will have the 200-word summary published in the proceedings.



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