



Alpha-Step D-600

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Development Series Profilers

The Alpha-Step® D-600 offers high resolution 2D & 3D profiling, 2D stress, profile stitching, and many more features in an easy-to-use platform with the best price-to-performance available in the market. The D-600 system includes an innovative optical lever sensor technology that provides the highest vertical range at 1200 μ m, sub-Angstrom resolution plus low force, 0.03 to 15 mg. The ability to measure a wide range of applications, from nanometer to millimeter steps, high resolution roughness, soft materials, and thin film stress enables the D-600 to serve various industries in research and development and production environments.

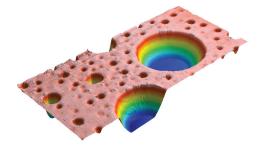
The D-600 includes a 200 mm motorized stage, with $150 \times 178 \text{ mm X-Y}$ range of motion. The new sequencing software features manual deskew alignment and programming up to 1000 locations on a sample. The system features advanced optics, a high resolution 5 MP camera with a 4x digital zoom and enhanced video controls for highly versatile sample visualization.

Applications

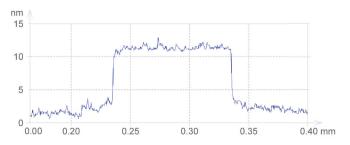
The D-600 is capable of addressing a wide range of measurements and applications:

- Precision step height
- Surface form, bow

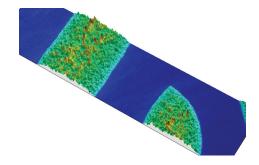
- Surface texture
- Material characterizations
- Thin film stress
- 3D scanning



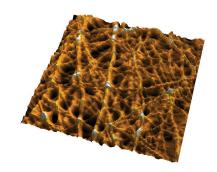
3D Step Height: $3 \times 1.4 \, \text{mm}$ scan of 117 μm tall patterned glass



Sensitivity for Thin Steps: 8 nm step height measurement



Step Height and Volume: 1.8×0.5 mm scan of silver trace on PET printed circuit with a 5.0 μ m silver step height and 847,130 μ m³ volume



Surface Texture: 1 x 1 mm surface texture measurement with 4.8 μ m RMS roughness



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PRODUCT FEATURES

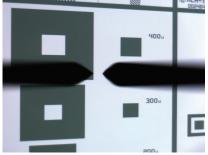
The D-600 stylus profilers provide a wide range of application specific capabilities, meeting the needs of the research, engineering, and production communities.

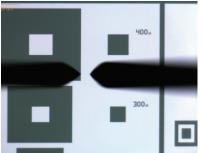
Stylus Profiling

The 200 mm sample stage supports scan lengths up to 55 mm in a single scan and up to 200 mm utilizing the stitching function. The D-600 provides the highest vertical range at $1200 \, \mu m$ and low force sensor technology at $0.03 \, mg$, ensuring scan precision on an array of applications, including thin films, soft materials, tall steps, bow, and stress.

High Resolution Camera

The D-600 features advanced optics that includes a high resolution 5 MP color camera with 4x digital zoom and enhanced lighting controls.





Video from side view optics

Video after application of keystone correction

Keystone Correction

New keystone correction software automatically removes video view sample distortion due to the angled optics.

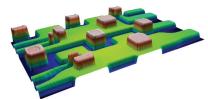
Arc Correction

New arc correction software removes arc motion error during scanning, improving accuracy for sidewall angles and step width measurements.

3D Scanning & 2D Stress (optional)

3D scanning of complex surfaces

3D scanning produces photo-realistic surfaces, enabling detailed surface topography analysis of step height, texture, and sample form. 2D stress utilizes Stoney's Equation and changes in sample bow, before and after processing, to calculate thin film stress.





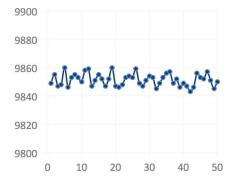
Thin film stress with automated stitching

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Step Height Repeatability

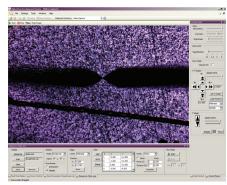
A sub-Angstrom resolution, optical lever sensor translates into the most repeatable low mass, low noise sensor design. This enables step height repeatability of 5 Å on a 1 µm step for demanding process needs.



4.3 Å repeatability, one-sigma on a 1 µm standard

Intuitive User Interface

New, simplified recipe creation enables quick setup of 3D scans, sequencing for multiple site measurements, sequence alignment reference points, and automated stitching for film stress.



Recipe and system hardware controls are shown in the same display for quick sample positioning and measurement. Raw data is saved, enabling data re-analysis without the need for new measurements.

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