**MANUSCRIPT FORMATTING GUIDE**

**Introduction**

This guide is designed to cover the details of manuscript preparation to ensure uniformity and continuity for one-column proceedings publications. The guide is to be used in conjunction with the template available for Microsoft Word. (Authors are encouraged to use the Word template when preparing their manuscripts.) It can also be used to help you properly format your paper if you are using another software package, such as InDesign.

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**Artwork**

There are two types of figures you use in your paper: line art (spot graphs, bar graphs, etc.) and photo images (micrographs, photos, etc.). You will need to supply figures that will look good in a professional publication – that means including each type of figure at specific resolutions or “dots-per-inch” (dpi).

* Photo images should be a minimum of 300 dpi. Even if photo-images are not scanned (i.e., the image is already in electronic format), they still must be set to at least 300 dpi for good reproduction.
* If any line art must be scanned, it should be scanned at 600 dpi (minimum).
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All type in graphs and figures should be large enough to read and understand.

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• Keep all text and artwork within the template margins.

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Single line spacing is preferred; however, if your manuscript contains a large number of subscripts or superscripts, and you cannot adjust the sizes or positions of these “scripts,” use space-and-a-half indexing to eliminate text overlap.

Use SI units for consistent measurement references.

When possible, justify right margins as well as the left for a more finished appearance.

**First Page**

The top of the first page of your paper contains the title of your paper along with all the author(s)

name(s), author(s) affiliation(s), and a list of keywords – blank lines should separate each of these sections. After this information is set, the paper should begin below the keywords. (Note: even if your **Abstract** ends on the first page, you should begin typing your **Introduction** immediately afterward.)

Title. Enter the title of the paper. The title should be 14 pt., bold, centered, and in all caps (use

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Author(s). If there is more than one author, subsequent author names should follow on the same

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CN + SO2 + O2 +H2O - CNO + H2SO4 (1)

**Tables**

Place tables as closely as possible to their references in the text. Number consecutively with Roman numerals and center the title above the table. Table-width rules should separate the title from column headings, column headings from the table body, and finally the bottom of the table from the next paragraph. Footnotes would appear below the last line. (See Table I).

Table I. Location and Distribution of World Strip Casting Operations

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| Location | Number | Percent |
| North America | 58 | 37 |
| Western Europe | 37 | 23 |
| Eastern Block | 29 | 18 |
| Asia | 18 | 11 |
| Africa | 9 | 6 |
| South America | 7 | 4 |
| Australia | 2 | 1 |

\*Footnotes

If a table cannot be contained in the margins of the template, scale it down to fit the page width inside the margin area.

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Figure 1. TEM (110) cross sections of (a) 002 and (b) 002 dark field images from a sample with 1 min Zn exposure of a As-stabilized GaAs-(2×4) epilayer prior to the growth of the thin ZnSe Layer. The Zn-As interfacial layer is marked by arrowheads.



Figure 2. X-ray diffraction spectra of as-deposited and annealed films.

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belowfor various reference forms. Any manuscript preparation manual will assist you in handling unique citation situations. Abbreviations of widely used journals are accepted, but it is best to spell out the titles of foreign and less well-known journals.

**Sample References**

**BOOK**

 **One Author**

1. Robert D. Pehlke, *Unit Processes of Extractive Metallurgy* (New York, NY: American Elsevier Publishing Company, 1973), 175-199.

 **Two or three authors**

2. Ulrich Rembold, Karl Armbruster, and Wolfgang Ulzmann, *Interface Technology for Computer-Controlled Manufacturing Processes* (New York, NY: Marcell Dekker, Inc., 1985), 103.

 **More than three authors**

3. R.L. Gibbey et al., *Fast Breeder Reactor Fuel Performance* (LaGrange Park, IL: American Nuclear Society, 1979), 188.

 **Editor, compiler, translator**

4. Lawrence E. Murr, ed., *Industrial Materials Science and Engineering* (New York, NY: Marcel Dekker, Inc. 1985), 98.

5. Robert C. Bates. “A Model for Striation Spacing in Fatigue Crack Growth,” *Fracture: Interactions of Microstructure, Mechanisms and Mechanics*, ed. J.M. Wells and J.D. Landes (Warrendale, PA:The Metallurgical Society of AIME, 1984), 255-284.

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7. E.H. Lee, R.L. Mallet, and W.H. Yang, “Stress and Deformation Analysis of the Metal Extrusion Process,” *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering*, 10 (1977), 339-353.

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8. M.J. Cooke et al., “LPCVD of aluminum and Al-Si Alloys for Semiconductor Metallization,”

*Solid State Tech*, 25 (12) (1982), 62-65.

9. B.L. Agarwal, “Postbuckling Behavior of Composite Shear Webs,” *A.I.A.A. Journal*, 19 (F)

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 **UNPUBLISHED PAPERS**

 **Reports**

10. D.N. Robinson, “A Unified Creep-Plasticity Model for Structural Metals at High Temperature” (Report ORNL/TM-5969, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, 1978).

 **Dissertation or thesis**

11. B.G. Snyder, “Superplasticity in Ferrous Laminated Composites” (Ph.D. thesis, Stanford

University, 1982), 45-51.

 **Paper presented at meeting**

12. P.B. Queneau, “Behavior of Magnesium Sulfate During Acid Pressure Leaching Nickeliferous Laterite Ore” (Paper presented at the 113th AIME Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, California, 28 February 1984), 5.

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