

Russian Association "Microscopy in Science and Technology"

The Russian Association "Microscopy in Science and Technology" (MST) was founded in 1992 under invitation of the Institute of Theoretical and Experimental Physics and supported by the Russian Academy of Sciences and Ministry of Science, High School and Technical Policy.

The main purposes of MST include the improvement of the quality of microscopy investigation in Russia and the establishment of extensive contacts between Russian and foreign scientists. Of particular interest will be the exchange of information with Microscopy Societies of other countries.

Any scientist (regardless of citizenship) designing equipment for various microscopy analyses or using microscopy techniques in his/her work may become a member of MST. We are planning to:

- 1) Organize a "Ultramicroscopy and Nanotechnology" laboratory - with international interests
- 2) Assist in design projects directed to modern microscopy.
- 3) Publish in Russian and in English "The Encyclopedia of Microscopy and Microscopy Technique" using the experience and participation of Russian and foreign specialists.
- 4) Prepare for publication in Russia and abroad the multivolume reference book "Microscopists" (Who's Who in World Microscopy).

The reference book will include in brief the biographical data of the specialist (accompanied by photographs), their area of expertise, the proposals and possibilities of collaboration, and the data for establishing scientific and commercial contracts.

We invite the collaboration all specialists developing or applying microscopy techniques in all areas. For information, please contact Prof. A. Suvorov, Microscopy in Science and Technology, B. Cheremushkinskaya 25, Moscow 2117259, Russia. Fax: ((095) 123 65 84, Telex: 411059

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* Composed by and sung to the Gilbert and Sullivan tune, "My Boy You May Take it from Me" (Ruddigore, Act I), October 13, 1991, for the GLEMA banquet address and for the Technologists' Forum Symposium - Recollections of the Masters, 50th Anniversary Meeting of EMSA, August 19, 1992 at Boston by John H. L. Watson. The last 5 lines are repeated.