

Court Building, 1099 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

*Docket Number:* 03-030.

*Applicant:* The Research Foundation of the State University of New York, Buffalo, NY 14260.

*Instrument:* Scanning Near-field Optical Microscope, Model AlphaSNOM.

*Manufacturer:* Wissenschaftliche Instrumente und Technologie GmbH, Germany.

*Intended Use:* See notice at 68 FR 42007, July 16, 2003.

*Comments:* None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

*Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides: (1) Easy switching between 3 types of microscopy (scanning near-field optical, confocal and atomic force) without moving the sample, (2) 50 nm resolution and (3) optimal flexibility for operation in a multi-user environment. The National Institutes of Health advised in its memorandum of July 21, 2003 that (1) these capabilities are pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument which is being manufactured in the United States.

**Gerald A. Zerdy,**

*Program Manager, Statutory Import Programs Staff.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of partially closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet Tuesday, September 9, 2003, from 8:25 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday,

September 10, 2003, from 8:15 a.m. to Noon. The Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology is composed of thirteen members appointed by the Director of NIST; who are eminent in such fields as business, research, new product development, engineering, labor, education, management consulting, environment, and international relations. The purpose of this meeting is to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for the Institute, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include a NIST Update, Remarks by the Acting Deputy Director and Acting Chief of Staff on Goals and Priorities, a Boulder Update, The New Office of the CIO, an Overview of NRC Board on Assessment FY 2002 Evaluation of NIST Labs, laboratory tours, Time and Frequency Measurements and Standards and Quantum Measurements and Standards. Discussions scheduled to begin at 8:25 a.m. and to end at 9 a.m., on September 9, and to begin at 8:15 a.m. and to end at 9 a.m. and to begin at 9:45 a.m. and to end at noon on September 10, 2003, on the NIST budget, planning information and feedback sessions will be closed. Agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. Final agenda will be posted on Web site. All visitors to the National Institute of Standards and Technology site will have to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, e-mail address and phone number to Carolyn Peters no later than Thursday, September 4, 2003, and she will provide you with instructions for admittance. Ms. Peter's e-mail address is [carolyn.peters@nist.gov](mailto:carolyn.peters@nist.gov) and her phone number is (301) 975-5607.

**DATES:** The meeting will convene September 9, 2003 at 8:25 a.m. and will adjourn at Noon on September 10, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the Radio Building, Room 1107 (seating capacity 60, includes 35 participants), at NIST, Boulder, Colorado. Please note admittance instructions under **SUMMARY** paragraph.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carolyn J. Peters, Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-1004, telephone number (301) 975-5607.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on February 25, 2003, that portions of the meeting of the Visiting Committee on

Advanced Technology which deal with discussion of sensitive budget and planning information that would cause harm to third parties if publicly shared be closed in accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2.

Dated: August 8, 2003.

**Arden L. Bement, Jr.,**

*Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Gulf of Alaska (GOA) and Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands (BS/AI) groundfish plan teams will meet in Seattle, WA.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on September 8-11, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way N.E., Bldg. 4, Room 2076 (BS/AI Plan Team) and Room 2039 (GOA Plan Team), Seattle, WA.

*Council address:* North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jane DiCosimo, North Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: 907-271-2809.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meetings will begin at 1 p.m. on Monday, September 8, and continue through Thursday September 11. The plan teams will review available stock assessments and catch statistics for Gulf of Alaska and Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands groundfish fisheries, review methodology for and adopt overfishing level and available biological catch projections for preliminary 2004 groundfish fisheries, review draft ecosystem chapter, review draft ecosystem assessment chapter, and review other potential Council actions on management on non-target groundfish and the total allowable catch setting process.