Postdoc Position Available at CU DENVER NIST PREP Program

NIST Organization (Div/Group): (CHIPS) On-Wafer Standards

This position is part of the National Institute of Standards (NIST) Professional Research Experience (PREP) program. NIST recognizes that its research staff may wish to collaborate with researchers at academic institutions on specific projects of mutual interest, thus requires that such institutions must be the recipient of a PREP award. The PREP program requires staff from a wide range of backgrounds to work on scientific research in many areas. Employees in this position will perform technical work that underpins the scientific research of the collaboration.

This PREP position focuses on developing traceable on-wafer standards for 5G, 6G, and beyond. The position requires finite element simulations, programming, network analysis, dimensional metrology, web-based programming, and other skills. The position will use on-wafer methods to develop standards for mmWave industry to validate the authenticity of integrated circuits.

Key responsibilities will include but are not limited to:

- The PREP student will coordinate all stakeholder engagement to understand industries need and coordinate regular updates to solicit feedback.
- The PREP student will design, simulate, and assemble on-wafer electronics for mmWave test and measurement.
- With the measurement systems integrated, the PREP student will perform all measurements and analysis on the data.
- In coordination with NIST researcher, the PREP student will develop and carry out on-wafer metrology.

Level of Appointment: Postdoc

Qualifications:

- A PhD degree in Materials Science Engineering, or a related field.
- 2 years of relevant experience with microelectronic fabrication.
- Familiarity with programming in MATLAB and Python.
- Experience with finite element simulations in ANSYS or COMSOL.
- Strong oral and written communication skills.

Additional experience beyond the Ph.D. is not required.

NIST Grade Equivalent: ZP-III

Based on candidate's education and experience, the candidate is equivalent to a NIST grade level as indicated above.

Salary Range Determination: \$79000-\$81000

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Length of Term:

Start date: 2024-08-12 End Date: 2026-08-11

For possible consideration and to apply to this position, qualified candidates should send a current CV, including contact information for three references and a publication list, to Hamid Fardi (hamid.fardi@ucdenver.edu).

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https://engineering.ucdenver.edu/research/prep-research program