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Broader Impacts

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The Exhibition

- LEGO Scanning Probe Microscope

  Visitors see how a scanning probe microscope creates an image.

- Contact & Noncontact Probes Table

  Visitors have fun understanding how nano-probes function and are used to measure the surface of materials at the nanoscale.

- Magnification Table

  Visitors discover the microscopic secrets on the surfaces of objects by using magnifiers of different strengths.

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Cleanroom Facility Includes:

- Booties Station
- Dress-a-Researcher Station
- Filters, Fans, & Floor Titles
- Facility Support Structure
- Transistors-LEGO Station
- Wafer Inspection Station
- Wafer Washing Station
- And…

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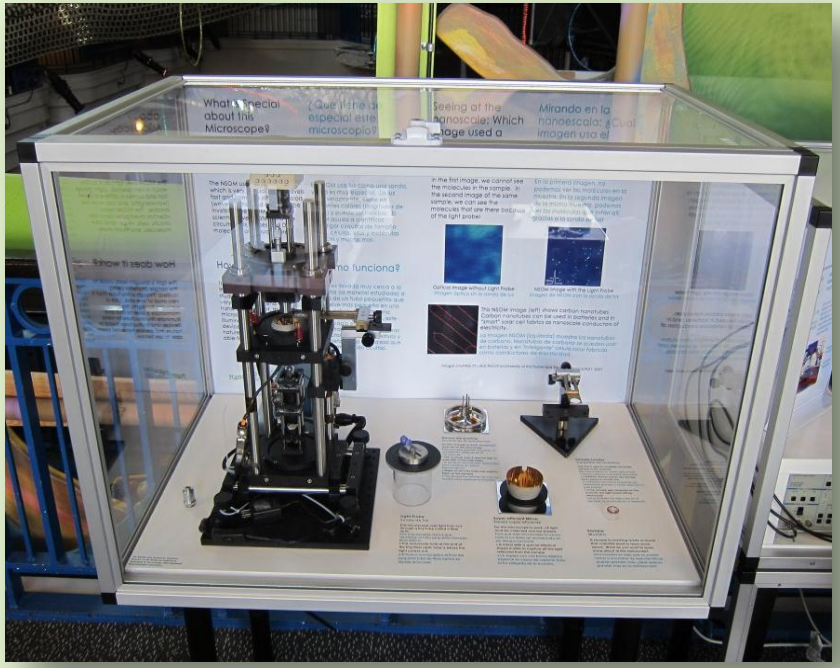
Near-field Scanning Probe Microscope Display



Microscope provided by National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

- Visitors discover a SPM microscope that uses light with a scanning probe to image objects at the nanoscale.

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Programming

- Family Scavenger Hunts
- School Groups
- Summer Camps
- Meet a Scientist
- Educator Workshop
- Discovery Days
- Nano Days Activities
- Conversations about Nano and Society
- How Do You Nano-Know?

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Effective Partnership

- Partnership champions
- Funding limitations
- Trust
- Mutual respect
- Synergy
- Flexibility
- Set short and long-term goals
- Realistic expectations
- Open and constant communication
- Celebrate every success!

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