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# **NSF DIBBs T2-C2 Project and 4CeeD Tool**

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A timely and trusted curator and coordinator of scientific data





## The environment, the team

- An academic institution, first and foremost
  - New researchers every year that need to be trained
    - ... and they leave on a regular basis (we hope!)
  - Every experiment every hour is likely to be different
    - ... where what was done before could be crucial to what is done next
  - Limiting costs is at a premium
    - ... most won't have manufacturers' data tools; images are extracted as **tif** files with loss of metadata
- An interdisciplinary team led by the three IRUs from the College of Engineering
  - Expertise in IT, cybersecurity, material science, device fabrication

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- Working together for the first time and doing very well

## **Collected Data**

An example of the result from an experiment at MNTL



Result image of 07302013-Oxidation experiment

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Experimental setting:

Time 13min Temp 425 C

Notes:

Oxidation depth is about 12um. Oxidation layer composed of Al(0.98)GaAs with thickness of 30 nm. Furnace in 2111 MNT L, 2" diameter quartz.

(Structured meta data)

(Free text)





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# **Current State of Data Capture in Materials and Semiconductor Domains**

• Current situation for experimental data involves manual processes for data capture and storage leading to poor documentation of results





- Data transfer is often done via "sneakernet" techniques using flash-drives or email
- No data file conversion is available

"Best" results and images are kept, but what is
"best" is determined by a narrow, specific
scientific objective. "Imperfect" data is often
discarded or not available for others to review.





## **Proposed Solution**

## 4CeeD: Timely and Trusted Capture, Curation, Correlation, Coordination and Distribution

- <u>Timely</u>: Data is collected immediately upon collection
- <u>Trusted</u>: Data is stored so that only those permitted users can see it
- <u>Capture</u>: Data is captured in real-time from microscopes
- <u>Curation</u>: Data is permanently tagged for future usage
- <u>Correlation</u>: Data dependencies are captured
- <u>Coordination</u>: Data of many different types is handled, filtered and classified for easy access and search
- <u>Distribution</u>: Data is disseminated among scientific instruments, clouds and users

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### **4CeeD Curator**

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## Learning from past users "failures"

#### Discovery

- "What is the thickness of Oxidation layer if I set temperature at 500C for 20min?"
- "Find all the experiments that produce Oxidation layer below 20nm"

#### **Error/failure analysis**

– "What are the common reasons for failed oxidation experiment?"

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## **Faceted Search**

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Test 3 (1)	070715 ZnDiffusion Furnace calibrated for this sample and all further. Tube is 6.24in long and rod 2in shorter than before to avoid previous condensation issue. Sample used is Epiworks 850nm VCSEL DBR calibration. Proper disordering for ~12 pairs of DBR.		





## **Our Approach: 4Ceed Design – Component View**



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## 4CeeD key features and anticipated benefits

#### What does 4CeeD curator do that nothing else does?

- REAL TIME curation of metadata.
- Metadata Extractors for SEM and proprietary TEM instruments.
- Clean simple to follow layout and process.
- Supports complex data models.
- Uses global and custom templates to maintain accuracy and speed up user defined metadata entry.
- No data is lost. Support for log, image, and user metadata into single download.
- Time savings (lost time at an expensive machine, lost time for user, better accuracy)
  - Users **can save upwards of 20-30 minutes per lab session**. This can add up to a significant time and money savings over the life of an experiment, with some experiments taking 40-60 hours over 2 months.

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