

**UST®** 

Indentation

Scratch

Deformation

Tribology

Surface Profile

Haptics



# Highlights

- One machine for all measurements
- All measurements with same resolution
- All measurements in real time, continuous and in-situ
- Mechanical property with local surface profile resolution
- Wide selection of tips from nanometer to centimeter



## **Basic Functions**

Adequate measurements are of great importance for a reliable simulation and evaluation of micromechanical properties of materials and surface coatings, such as deformation or haptics. As material and coating behaviour can vary considerably, a series of proper, real-time, quantitative measurements have to be performed with high resolution in the right dimension.

**UST®-Universal Surface Tester**, is by far the only open multi-modular system that provides a complete mechanical testing solution for the evaluation of bulk materials and surface coatings. Its unique configuration allows for a wide range of tip choices with various materials and sizes ranging from nanometer to centimeter.



**VS** 

## **UST**®

- One machine for all tests
- Same resolution (60nm)
- No need for correlation
- Local resolution
- Continuous measurement
- Surface structure combined with properties

## **Other Systems**

- One machine for one type measurement
- Different resolution
- Need for further correlation
- No record with local resolution
- · Point by point measurement
- No surface structure vs. properties



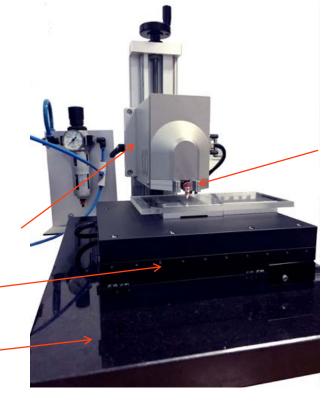
## **Basic Unit**

Option 1: UST®-100

Load range: 1 mN-100 mN

Option 2: UST®-1000

Load range: 10 mN-1,000 mN for harder surfaces and coatings

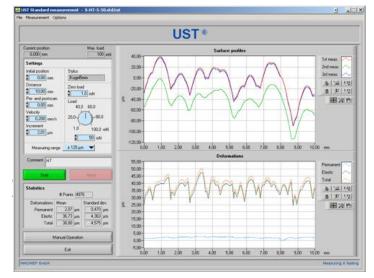


Stylus



X-Y Automatic Sample Stage

Base Plate



#### Standard Measurement: 2D Deformation

(total, permanent and elastic deformation)

## **UST®** Basic Unit includes:

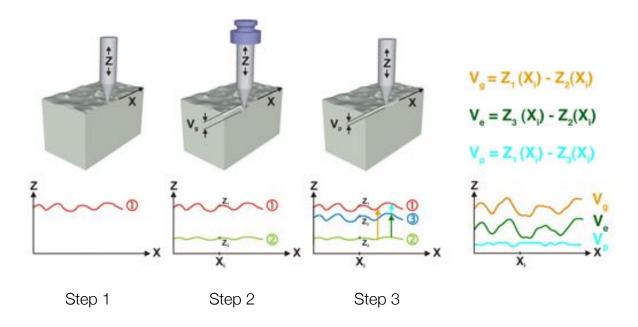
- 2D Deformation Measurement
- Tip check/Calibration
- 3 Standard Tips (2 Steel Cones, Ball)
- 1 Big Clamp/1 Small Clamp/Tools/Screws



## **Standards and Specifications**

DIN EN ISO 14577-1; DIN 4762, 4768, ISO 4287, 4288

## Weinhold's Test Principle



- Step 1: Scan with no load. Surface structure is continuously determined.
- Step 2: Scan on the same path with additional load to determine total deformation.
- Step 3: Scan on the same path with no load to determine the elastistic deformation.

Total deformation = Step 1-Step 2;

Elastic deformation = Step 3- Step 2;

Permanent deformation = Step 1-Step 3



## **Modules**

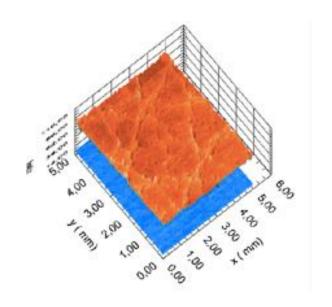
A selection of 10 different modules is available for all types of measurements and applications. Each module includes all necessary hardware, software, suggested tip and necessary tools.

### Module 1: 3D Deformation

Performs several single scans automatically on an area and registers the 3D deformation properties of a complete surface.

- 3D Deformation
- Tips:

Diamond Cone 60°/90°/120° Steel Cone 60°



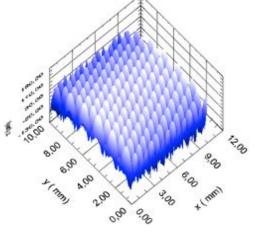
## Module 2: 3D Topography

Performs several single scans automatically on an area and registers both the 3D topography and the material properties of a complete surface.

- 3D Topography
- 3D Roughness
- Particle Mode
- Tips:

Diamond Cone 60°/90°/120° Steel Cone 60°







#### Module 3: Scratch

## Standard Scratch (Budget Version)

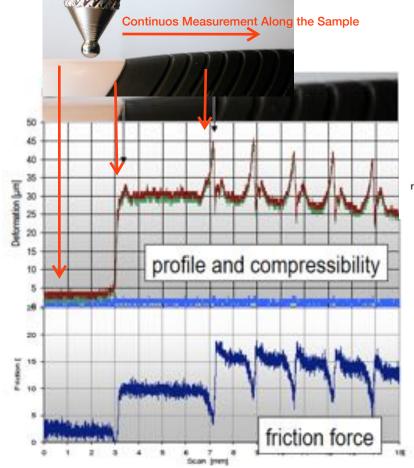
- Standard scratch test with local surface profile
- Tip: Scratch Diamond 5° undercut

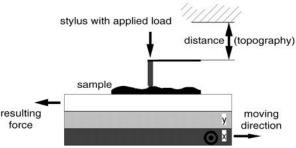


## Micro Scratch with Microfriction (Premium Version)

- Hardware:
  - Friction table with high resolution piezo sensor
  - Controller card for PC
  - Sample fixing and clamping set
- Tip: Scratch Diamond 5° undercut







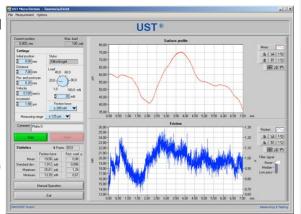
Continuous measurement along one line on a sample made out of three different materials: wood, flat polymer, polymer with grooves for the correlation of surface profile and microfriction.



#### Module 4: Microfriction (Standard)

Measures the friction force between a sample and the tip during a scan with an accuracy in nm.

- Hardware:
  - Friction table with sensor
  - Controller card for PC
  - Sample fixing and clamping
- Micro Friction + 2D Topography
- Micro Friction + 2D Deformation
- Tip: Customized tip on request (e.g. haptical tip)

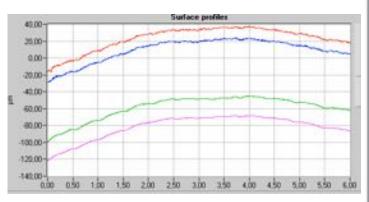


#### Module 5: Abrasion and Wear

Measures the abrasion rate with certain load repeating several times.

- Total Abrasion
- Wear Rate
- Tip: Steel ball 20mm

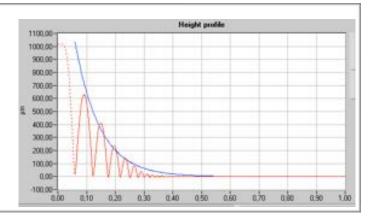
Red line (1<sup>st</sup> meas.): surface profile Blue line (4<sup>th</sup> meas.): last measurement Green line (2<sup>nd</sup> meas.): with 1<sup>st</sup> load Purple line (3<sup>rd</sup> meas.): 50<sup>th</sup> abrasion time



#### Module 6: Damping

Special measuring mode for examining the elastic behaviour of soft materials.

- Surface height profile is continuously recorded
- Damping Oscillation
- Tip: Papillary stylus or customized tip on request



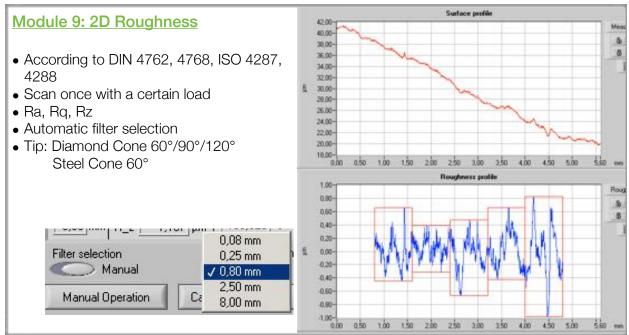


#### Module 7: Viscoelasticity (Creeping & Recovery) 10.00 • 3-Step Measurement -15.00-• Material's reaction under strain and the 20,00relief property 25,00 • Tip: Customized tip on request -30.00--35.00-40,00 Preload -45,00 Load -50.00--55,00-Relief 60,00-

### **Module 8: Universal Hardness**

- According to DIN EN ISO 14577-1
- Two-Step Measurement
- Total Deformation
- Tip: Vickers Diamond Berkovich-Diamond, or customized tip on request







### Module 10: TAX

High quality measurement module for the evaluation of the abrasive wear resistance on the micro and macro scale.

It is available as a module on UST®, or provided as a micro-calotester: **TAPERADER**®



## **Hardware Options**

- 1. Exchangable Measurement Head: UST 100 mN and UST 1000 mN
- 2. **Microcope**: for documentation of the measurement process and results (photo function)
- 3. **Videocamera**: for documentation of the measurement process and results (video function)
- 4. Optical 3D Topography Module: non-tactile optical measurement of 3D topography
- 5. Vacuum Plate Package: for fixing samples. Vacuum pump is included.
- 6. Mini-Clamping Tool Set: fixing tool for harder samples
- 7. Quick Plates: for easy and quick fixture of samples

## **Upgrade Options**

New X-Y automatic sample table and all software are available for upgrade. Please contact our technical engineers for detailed information.



# **Tip Options**



## Steel Tip Groups

Steel ball: 0.8 mm

1.8 mm 5.0 mm

Steel Cone: 60°



#### Other Tip Groups

Cutting tool

Aluminum ball 20mm

Table tennis

Juby

Leather

Papillar



## **Diamond Tip Groups**

Diamond pyramid: 60°

Diamond: 60°

90**°** 

120**°** 

