

# S e m i n a r

## ***“Advances in Modeling of Microwave Sintering”***

March 8-9, 2010

Institut Polytechnique de Grenoble  
Grenoble, France



### ***Second Call for Papers***

The 12<sup>th</sup> meeting in the series of seminar/workshops “Computer Modeling in Microwave Engineering and Applications” carried out by the Industrial Microwave Modeling Group (IMMG) of Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), Worcester, MA, USA, in 2010 will be co-organized by the SiMaP Laboratory of the Grenoble Institute of Technology (Grenoble-INP). This interdisciplinary forum will bring together *scientists with expertise in microwave sintering* and *researchers working on the techniques of mathematical/computer multiphysics modeling*. The attendees will share their experience in the related fields aiming to work out the concepts and computational schemes which would help develop realistic (that is, sufficiently adequate and accurate) *macroscopic models for microwave sintering*.

#### Organizing Committee

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#### Venue

The Seminar will be held on campus of the PHELMA School of the Grenoble-INP, 1130 rue de la Piscine, 38402 St Martin d'Herès, France

#### Important Dates

Submission of titles and abstracts: **January 15, 2010**  
Notification of acceptance: **January 25, 2010**  
Submission of summaries: **February 5, 2010**  
Preliminary program: **February 22, 2010**  
Seminar & Final program: **March 8-9, 2010**

#### Objectives

The Seminar invites contributions related to:

- modern advances in *experimental development of the technology of microwave sintering* – control over the process; measurable and non-measurable physical characteristics; design of associated microwave systems, etc.
- state-of-the-art techniques of *multiphysics simulation of microwave sintering* – compatibility and applicability of numerical models representing electromagnetic, thermal, and structural processes; challenges in the related numerical mathematics and implementation of the algorithms; efficient use of computational resources (hardware and software), etc.
- determination of *effective media parameters of processed particulate materials* – measurement techniques; non-destructive evaluation and microwave imaging.
- *interaction of microwaves with dielectric and metallic powders*: physics and mathematics.

#### Profile

- *Technical sessions* dedicated to experimental studies of microwave sintering, modeling techniques and computational results, reconstruction of material parameters, etc.
- *Lectures and presentations* regarding:
  - ✓ Conformal FDTD technique and its implementation in *QuickWave-3D*; demonstration of the software in operation – electromagnetic-thermal coupled problems.
  - ✓ Principles of FEM modeling of structural deformation of sintered materials with *Abaqus*; demonstration of the software in operation – structural problems.

#### Preliminary Schedule

**March 8: 12:00 to 6 pm**

- Registration. Opening. Lectures and presentations.

**March 9: 8:30 am to 5 pm**

- Technical sessions. Panel session. Concluding discussion. Social program. Seminar *Gala Dinner* (8 pm).

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