Aim and Scope

From auspicious beginnings over 10 years ago, the promise of 3D-IC has begun to turn the corner to more popular usage. This Special Issue on multi-chip packages focuses exclusively on design and design-for-test for three-dimensional, chiplet-based, and stacked ICs, based on through-silicon vias (TSVs), micro-bumps, and/or interposers. While these stacked ICs offer many attractive advantages with respect to heterogeneous integration, small form-factor, high bandwidth and performance, and low power dissipation, there are many open issues with respect to designing and testing such products. This issue provides a platform to present and discuss these challenges and solutions among researchers and practitioners alike.

Topics of Interest:

This special issue seeks original manuscripts that will cover innovative research and practical applications for the testability and design challenges in the following fields:

- Pure 3DIC implementations
- Other multi-chip packaging implementations including chiplets, active and passive interposers

The specific topics of interest include but are not limited to:

- Defect Detection Techniques
- DfT Architectures for 3D-ICs
- EDA Design-for-Test Flows
- Failure Analysis for 3D-ICs
- Fault-Tolerant Design for 3D-ICs
- Interposer Testing
- Known-Good Die/Stack Testing
- Standard Interfaces between Chiplets
- Methods for Power/Heat Dissipation during Test
• Pre-, Mid-, and Post-Bond Testing of 3D-ICs
• Reliability of 3D-ICs
• Improving Yield of 3D-ICs
• Redundancy & Repair
• Standards for 3D Testing, incl. IEEE Std 1838
• System/Board Test Issues for 3D-ICs
• Tester Architecture incl. ATE and BIST

The special issue particularly welcomes and encourages the submissions from industry or collaborative works between industry and academia for this fast-growing area. Please send your questions about the scope to the guest editors.

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