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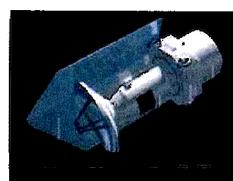
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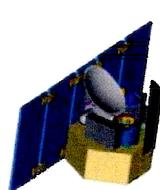
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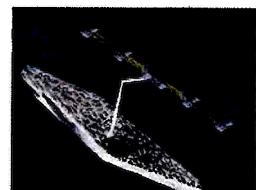
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PREFACE

The fields of THz science and technology are now experiencing tremendous growth, both in the public and private sectors. Recent advances in theory, fabrication, and analytical tools permit for the first time the realization of devices, components, and systems that were only imagined just a short time ago. Much of this accelerated growth can be traced directly to the instrument requirements of space missions (*e.g. Herschel*). We will be benefiting from this work for years to come, both in future missions (*e.g. SOFIA* and *SAFIR*) and in enumerable remote sensing applications (spaceborne and terrestrial). THz science and technology is still in its infancy. The next decade should prove to be even more exciting and productive than the last!

The 14th *International Symposium on Space TeraHertz Technology* was held at the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort in Tucson, Arizona from April 22-24, 2004. There were a total of ~125 engineers and scientists in attendance from around the world. There were 12 oral sessions and a 3-day long poster session. A total of 55 papers were presented in the oral sessions and 35 in the poster session, for a combined total of 90 papers. The number of contributions in each subject area were roughly as follows:

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