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**DECLARATION (37 CFR §1.63) FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**

Title: SCANNING PROBE MICROSCOPE

WHEREAS, as a below named inventor(s), I/(we) hereby declare that:

**Section I. Declaration**

This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached U.S. non-provisional patent application, or
- ☐ U.S. non-provisional patent application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_, or
- ☒ PCT international patent application number PCT/JP2014/057839, filed on March 20, 2014.

The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me (us).

I (we) believe that I am (we are) the original inventor (original joint inventors) of a claimed invention in the above-identified application.

I (we) hereby acknowledge that any willful false statement made in this declaration is punishable under 18 U.S.C. 1001 by fine or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified application, including the claims.

I acknowledge that I am aware of the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

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