ProSEM

What's New in ProSEM 3.2



Overview

ProSEM 3.2 Key News

- General
 - ProSEM Packages
 - Handling of multi-page TIFF
- Feature Detection and Export
 - 2-pass detection for fitted 2D features including cutline
 - Export (GDS, CSV) for segmented contours
- Layout Integration
 - New GUI: image/layout in parallel, metrology list
 - Extended to multiple layers and more feature types
- SEM Automation: Completely New Functionality



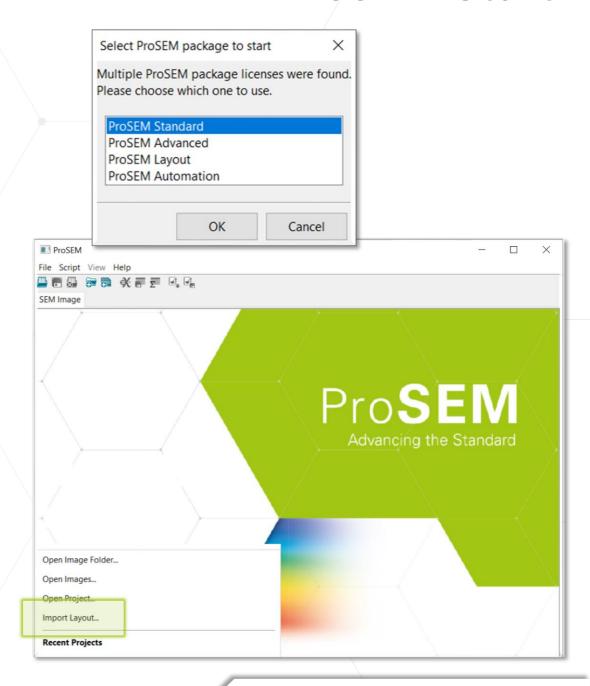
General



ProSEM Start

- ProSEM packages
 - New selection panel on starting ProSEM
 - Only in case different packages are available

- Opening splash screen
 - Added Import Layout...
 - Enables easy project start with layout file only
 - Only applies to Layout Package or higher





ProSEM Packages

New ProSEM packages

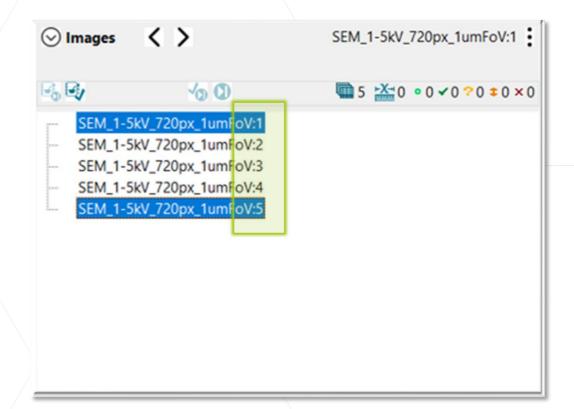
- Replace the previous standard ProSEM with options
- Increasing / inclusive regarding their content
- Licensed Packages
 - Standard equivalent to ProSEM
 - Advanced will get more features
 - Layout is extended as well
 - All new is the SEM automation

Before Packages	ProSEM (P300)	Advanced Contour Meas. (PO301)	Layout Integration (PO302)	SEM Automation NEW
Standard	X			
Advanced	X	X		
Layout	X	X	X	
Automation	X	X	X	X



Multi-page TIFF

- Handling of TIFF images with multiple pages implemented
 - Loading of all image pages
 - Excluding thumbnails, alpha masks etc.
 - Imported as separate images in project tree
 - In case a pixel size is included, it is applied to all images





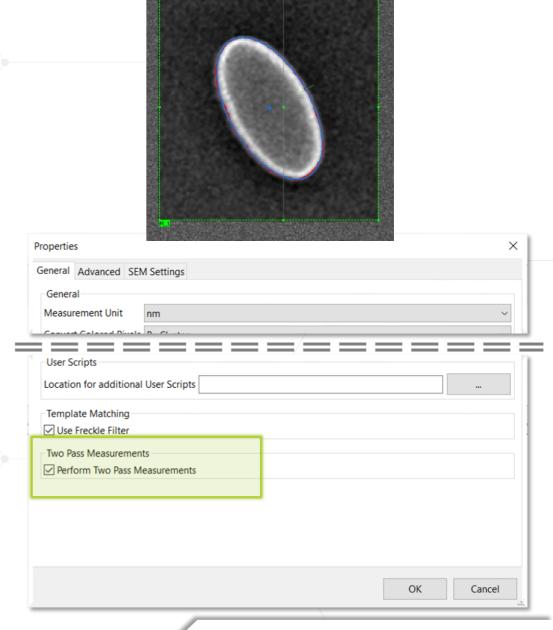
Feature Detect/ Export



Two-pass Feature Detection

- Two-pass for fitted 2D features (non L&S)
 - Implemented a 2nd pass for shape construction
 - Applies to rectangle, circle, ellipse and triangle
 - Orthogonal scanregions are used for fine detection
- → Improves the quality with 2D contours on noisy images

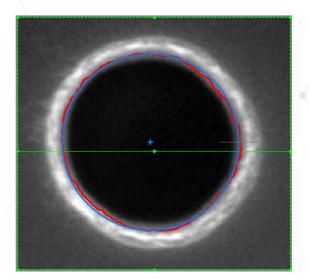
- Settings two-pass
 - In properties dialogue under general tab
 - Default is "on"
 - Tic box applies both to L&S and fitted 2D features

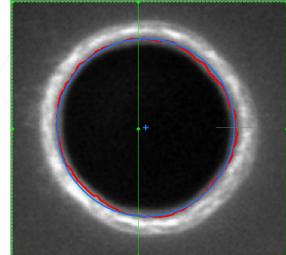




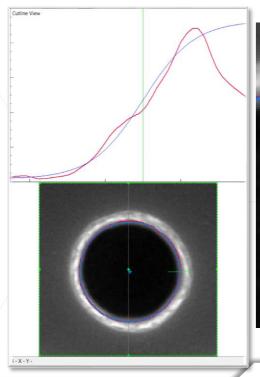
Second Cutline "non-cartesian"

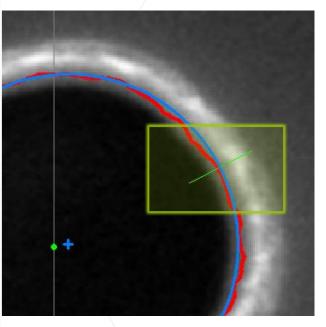
- Standard cutline still available
 - In/X or Y direction
 - Position can be shifted in cartesian directions





- New alternative cutline for fitted 2-pass features
 - 2nd cutline representing orthogonal scanregions
 - Can be moved along fitted shape
 - Switch between both types

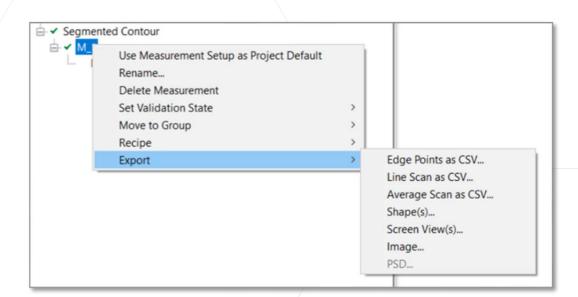






Export for Segmented Contours

- Export into GDS and CSV
 - So far, only export of closed shapes possible
 - GDS export now established for segmented contours
 - Segments are exported as single polygons
 - Edge points can also be exported as CSV
 (Available with Advanced Package or higher)
- Other line groups (L&S or multi-edge)
 - Individual lines are exported as separate polygons





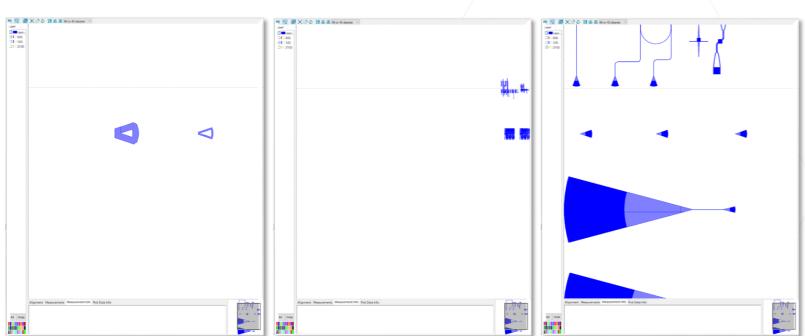
Layout Integration

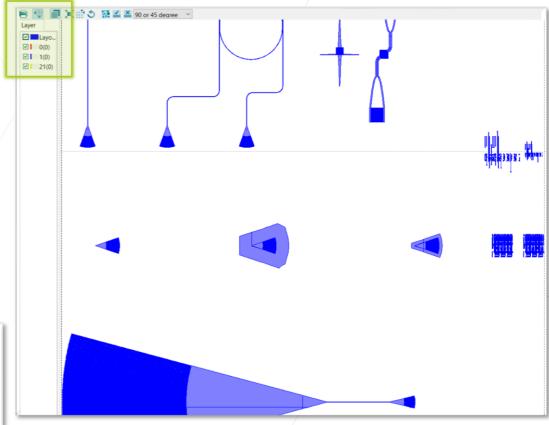
Layout or Automation Package



Multi-layer Layouts

- Handling of layouts with multiple layers
 - Loading of layers separately (no heal)
 - Switch layers in view
 - Define metrology tasks based on specific layer

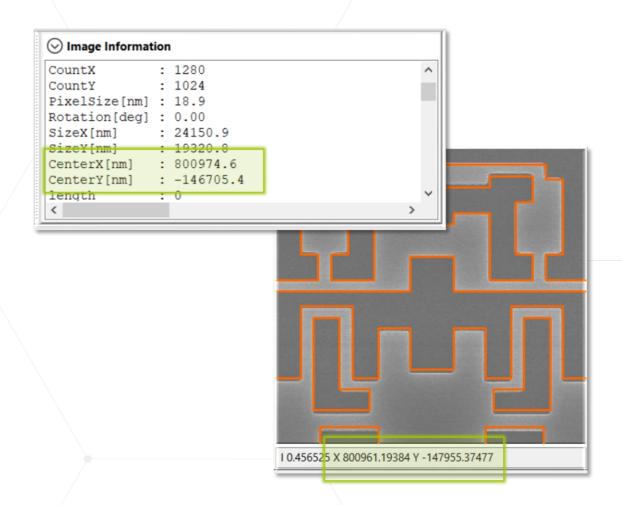






Layout Registration Improvements

- Registered coordinate system
 - Show positions in layout coordinates
 - Image info panel: image center position
 - Below image: current mouse position
 - In addition: registration quality improved



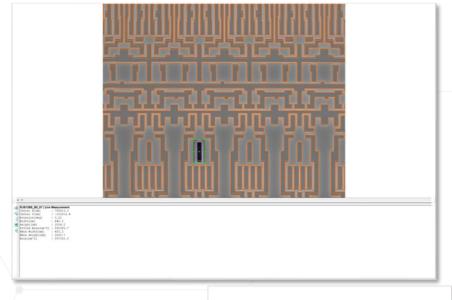


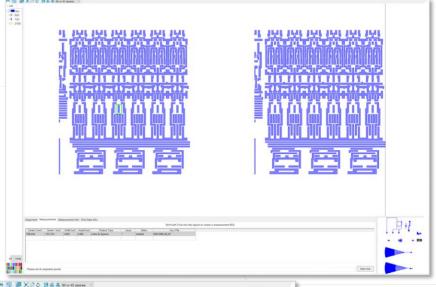
Layout Integration GUI

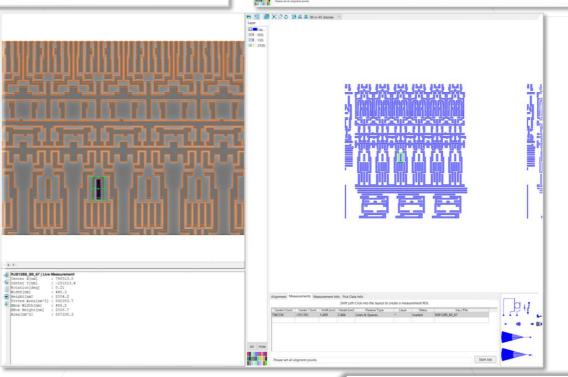
- Layout and/ or Image View
 - Image (2D/1D) or Viewer
 - Both in parallel

→ Convenient switching







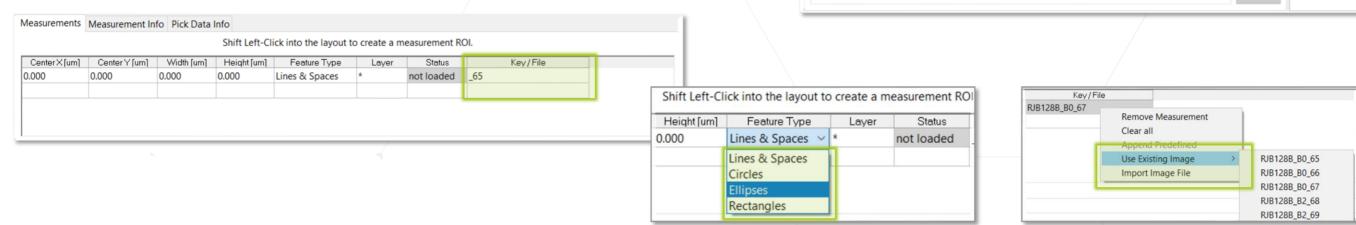




Metrology List

- Metrology list
 - Now integrated in Viewer tabs as "Measurements"
 - Supports existing functionality (image key/ identifier)
 - Now extended to other feature types than L&S
 - Context menu allows for direct image import/ select







SEM Automation

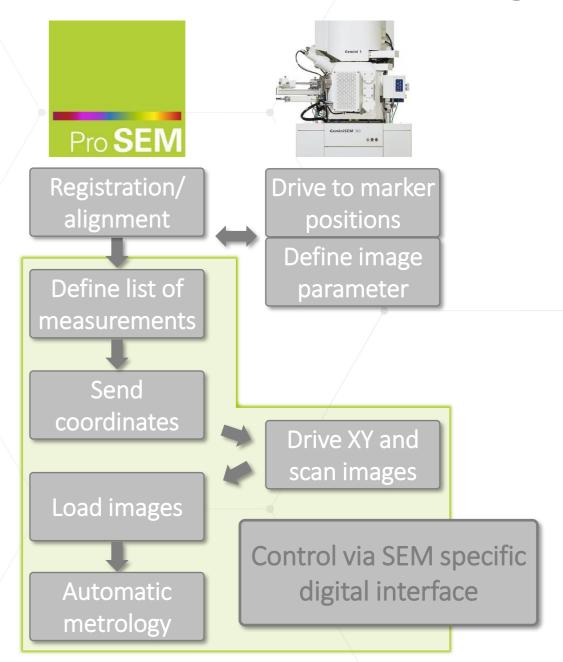
Automation Package



New SEM Automation Package

- Digital interface to SEM PC
 - Currently available for ZEISS "Remcon"
 - Next planned interfaces for FEI and JEOL
- 3-point alignment of stage & layout coordinates
- Define list of measurements based on layout
- Send SEM drive and image scan commands
- Load set of images
- Execute automated metrology measurements

→ For workflow steps see appendix



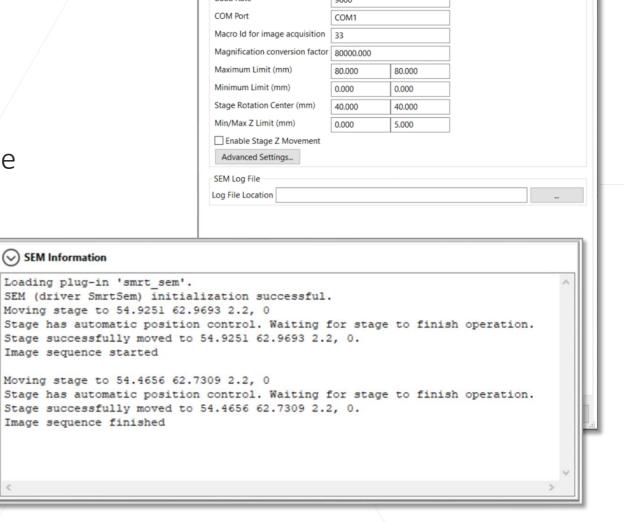


SEM Hardware Control

General Advanced SEM Setting

Zeiss (REMCON)
SEM Settings

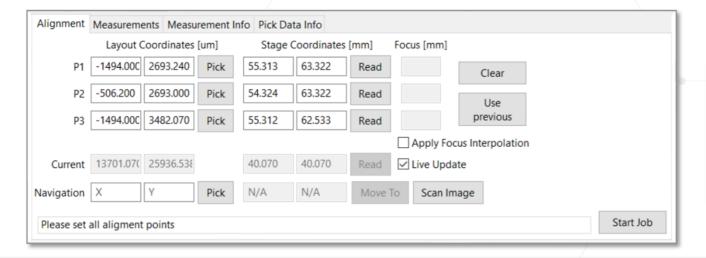
- SEM settings dialogue
 - Tab in properties menu
 - Includes settings for PC interface
 - Currently only ZEISS Remcon supported
 - Separate manual on setup of COM interface available
- SEM information panel
 - Provides logging of SEM status
 - Displays coordinates and hardware messages

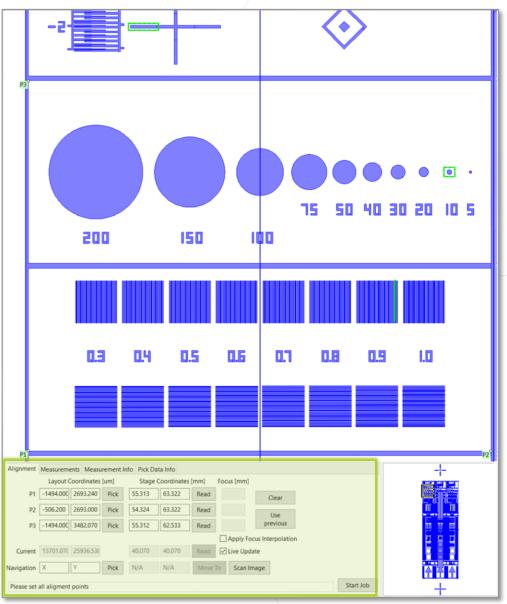




Coordinates Alignment Tab

- Alignment mode
 - Integrated in Viewer tabs
 - Procedure for alignment of stage to layout coordinates
 - Apply previous alignment if available
- "Start Job" for automated SEM procedure
 - Only with valid alignment and measurements defined
 - Shows progress of automated image acquisition

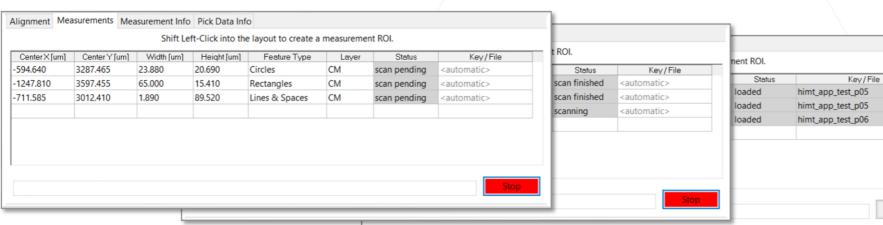


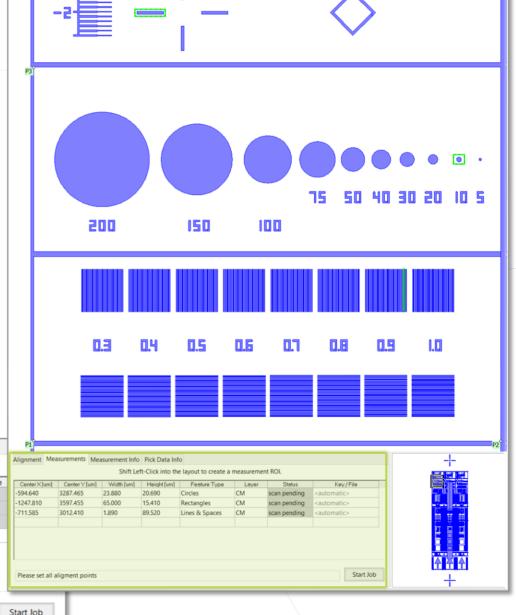




SEM Automation List

- Automation list
 - Combines functionality of acquisition and metrology
 - Define ROI in layout and specify measurement
 - Positions are used for image acquisition
- "Start Job" for automated SEM procedure
 - Only with valid alignment and measurements defined
 - Shows progress of automated image acquisition







Thank You!

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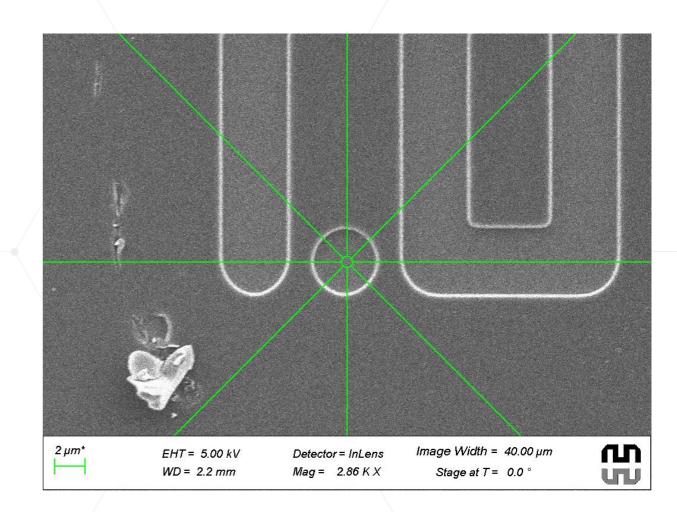
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Preparation of SEM microscope

Get ready for image scan and save

- Focus, aperture align and stigmation
- Beam energy and detector
- Contrast and brightness
- Field of view
- Scan speed and averaging
- Predefine image name/ extension and folder

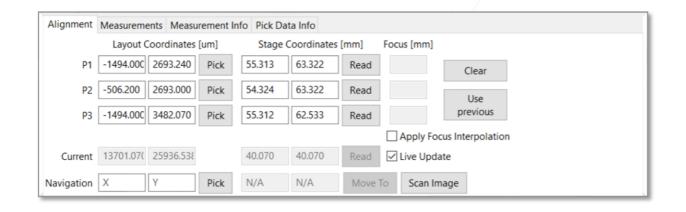


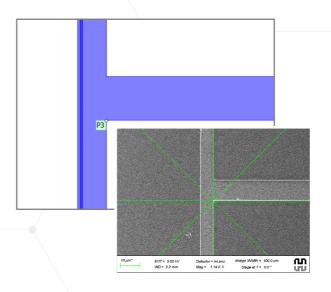


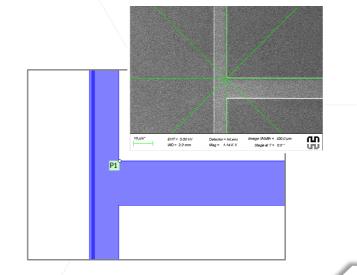
Alignment of SEM and ProSEM

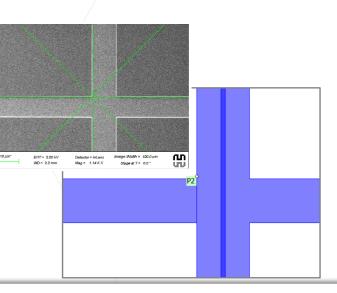
Match positions and coordinate systems

- Use 3 markers or specific locations
- Pick layout coordinates from design in ProSEM
- Drive to corresponding sample locations
- Read SEM stage coordinates in ProSEM







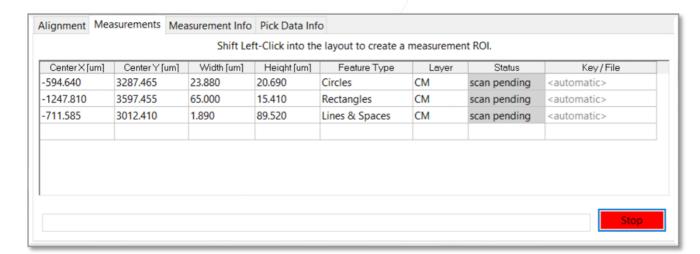


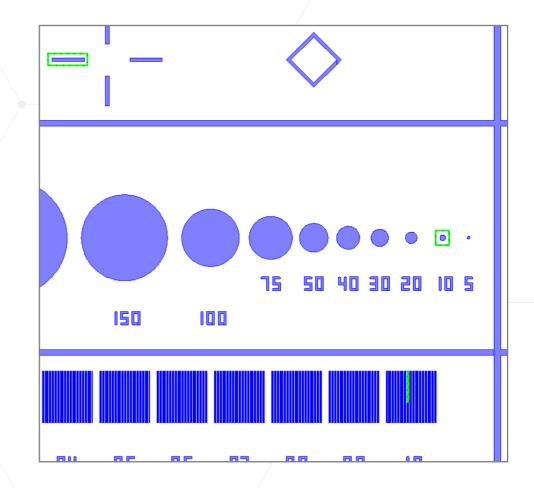


Preparation of Job List in ProSEM

Automation and measurement list

- Define ROI's around features in layout
- Entry in table is created with position for image
- Specify feature type (and layer optionally)
- → Create full job list
- →Start job







Acquisition & Metrology with ProSEM

Automated metrology

- Drive SEM stage and acquire image
- Load images into ProSEM
- Apply pre-defined measurement

