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13. ABSTRACT (Maximum 200 Words)

Support was extended to a graduate student, pursuing a Ph.D. degree, and an undergraduate student. Together they worked on measuring the momentum transfer of energetic Ne⁺ ions impinging on a Si(100) surface. Scattering experiments and classical trajectory calculations were utilized to determine the energy and angular distribution of the scattered projectiles. This work is relevant to predicting and reducing spacecraft drag in a low-earth orbit environment.

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This AASERT grant has supported Ms. Patty Smith in her doctoral studies. Patty has investigated the transfer of energy and momentum associated with hypervelocity Ne^+ colliding with a Si(100) surface. She has gained experience in preparing and cleaning single-crystal samples for UHV, recording X-ray Photoelectron Spectra (XPS), generating well-characterized beams of atomic ions, and detecting scattered ions with Quadrupole Mass Spectrometry (QMS). By measuring the energy of scattered projectiles as a function of scattering angle, she has determined that single-scattering events predominate even at relatively low collision energies. However, as the collision energy decreases, the Ne^+ projectile interacts with an increasing number of Si atoms during its brief repulsive interaction with the surface. This information is useful for predicting the drag of a spacecraft in low-earth orbit. It may also be profitable for designing spacecraft materials that minimize aerodynamic drag. Patty has also begun studying abstraction reactions involving NO^+ incident on O/Al(111) to form NO_2^- and NO_2^+ . In this case, the NO^+ ions were generated state selectively. Thus, the reaction probabilities can be explored as a function of collision energy, vibrational energy, and molecular alignment.

In the summers of 1997 and 1998, Mr. Jon Camden, a Notre Dame undergraduate chemistry major, was supported by AASERT. Jon has written a computer program to simulate the aforementioned Ne^+ /Si(100) scattering results. Using classical mechanics, he has developed trajectory code to simulate individual scattering events. It is hoped that the simulations will allow us to predict scattering behavior over a wider range of systems than has been experimentally studied.

Both of these students have made great progress in their academic programs. Patty is predicted to finish her Ph.D. within two years. Jon is planning on attending graduate school after he earns his B. S. degree next year.

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