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Burnish-Glide Media Test System delivers advanced capabilities and low cost of ownership for manufacturers of rigid magnetic media

System architecture simplifies future upgrade to the industry's premiere technology for PMR media certification



MRS3000/3100-GT burnish-glide test system offers the best price/performance ratio in the disk drive industry.

SANTA CLARA, Calif. -- Magnetic Recording Solutions, Inc. today launched the MRS3000/3100-GT burnish-glide test system, offering the best price/performance ratio in the disk drive industry for burnish and glide testing of rigid magnetic recording media. Based on the successful MRS3000 certifier platform, the GT offers advanced testing capabilities and simplicity of operation, combined with a 25% throughput advantage over competing burnish and glide test systems.

The system includes both PZT and AE test modes, plus two 4 MHz detection channels for each disk surface. Disk sizes supported are 22-95 mm diameters for the 3000-GT and 22-65 mm diameters for the 3100-GT. With its economic advantages and advanced test capabilities, the MRS3000/3100-GT enables customers to significantly improve their productivity in day-to-day volume production for the most advanced media testing applications.

"Our design philosophy from the onset was to develop a full-function magnetic media test system -- the MRS3000 -- that would incorporate burnish and glide testing with leading edge PMR media certification," said Vlad Pogrebinsky, president and CEO of Magnetic Recording Solutions, Inc. "The new MRS3000/3100-GT burnish and glide tester is a modified version of the MRS3000 platform that customers can upgrade easily in the future when they need to add PMR media certification capability."

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"We designed the GT to give test engineers faster access to the critical decision making data they need to achieve higher production yield; we also wanted them to have greater testing flexibility," Pogrebinsky continued. "The high speed positioners and electronics of the GT are optimized for real-time data collection specified by pre-programmed process test parameters. With two 4 MHZ detection channels per disk surface, test engineers can gather more data, faster, and setup simultaneous process-specific glide tests. Each of the four independent channels has self-calibration software giving the engineer a fast and accurate method of adjusting either output gain or flight height."

Introduction of the MRS3000/3100-GT comes at a time when the industry is searching for low cost solutions that will enable them to expand capacity for media production testing. The GT system provides the best price/performance ratio available and offers customers a future upgrade path to full PMR/LMR magnetic certification. The MRS3000-GT is available immediately, and the MRS3100-GT will be shipping in Q2, 2007

About Magnetic Recording Solutions, Inc.

Magnetic Recording Solutions, Inc. is a private corporation founded in 1997. The company supplies equipment to test rigid magnetic media used in the hard drive industry. MRS is the technology leader in developing and building media certifiers. MRS also makes production test equipment and modules for the semiconductor wafer inspection and optical component test industries. MRS maintains headquarters at 1115 Space Park Drive, Santa Clara, CA 95054. Visit MRS on the Web at www.mrs-usa.com.

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