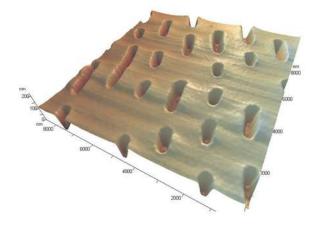
## The scanning probe microscope at the "Look - it's NANO"

On september 10 at the festival "Day of the Higher School of Economics" was presented the exhibition of "RUSNANO". One of the exhibits was the scanning probe microscope" FemtoScan."





To familiarize visitors with the basic principles of the microscope was maken a presentation showing the schematic illustration of the microscope "FemtoScan", as well as images of coliform bacteria, blood cells and the surface of a human hair, obtained by atomic force scanning.





To demonstrate the operation of the microscope during the exhibition microscope "FemtoScan" was working. As the scanned sample was taken a piece of CD- ROM with information recorded on it . The result of scanning the surface of the CD was a perfect way that helped everyone to understand the principle of encoding information on the CD- drives, which is commonly used at the present time .

Interested visitors did not believe that such a simple principle of the microscope allows to obtain clear images of objects that are less than one-millionth of a meter . That caused numerous requests to scan the surface of the CD- ROM directly in front of them . Visitors are also given the opportunity to see the most important part of the microscope - cantilever.