

# Micro- and Nano- Fabrication and Replication Techniques



Why do we have to write things  
small and replicate fast ?





# Plenty of Room at the Bottom

Richard P. Feynman, December 1959

How do we *write* it? We have no standard technique to do this now. But let me argue that it is not as difficult as it first appears to be. We can **reverse the lenses of the electron microscope** in order to demagnify as well as magnify. A source of **ions**, sent through the microscope lenses in reverse, could be focused to a very small spot. We could write with that spot like we write in a TV cathode ray oscilloscope, by going across in lines, and having an adjustment which determines the amount of material which is going to be deposited as we scan in lines. **This method might be very slow** because of space charge limitations. There will be more rapid methods. We could first make, perhaps by some **photo process**, a screen which has holes in it in the form of the letters. Then we would strike an arc behind the holes and draw metallic ions through the holes; then we could again use our system of lenses and make a small image in the form of ions, which would deposit the metal on the pin.





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A simpler way might be this (though I am not sure it would work): **We take light and, through an optical microscope running backwards**, we focus it onto a very small photoelectric screen. Then electrons come away from the screen where the light is shining. These electrons are focused down in size by the electron microscope lenses to impinge directly upon the surface of the metal. Will such a beam etch away the metal if it is run long enough? I don't know. If it doesn't work for a metal surface, it must be possible to find some surface with which to coat the original pin so that, where the electrons bombard, a change is made which we could recognize later.





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There is no intensity problem in these devices---not what you are used to in magnification, where you have to take a few electrons and spread them over a bigger and bigger screen; it is just the opposite. The light which we get from a page is concentrated onto a very small area so it is very intense. The few electrons which come from the photoelectric screen are demagnified down to a very tiny area so that, again, they are very intense. **I don't know why this hasn't been done yet!**



# Fabrication of Nanomaterials

- Top-down
  - Begin with bulk materials that are reduced into nanoparticles
- Bottom-up
  - Begin with atoms and molecules that can grow into zero, one, two and three-dimensional nanostructures
- Hybrid



# Top-down

- Mechanical energy
  - Ball milling, polishing, grinding
- Thermal
  - Annealing, evaporation, pyrolysis
- High energy
  - Arch, laser, ion milling, reactive ion etching
- Chemical
  - Chemical etching, CMP, electropolishing, anodizing
- Lithographic
  - Photo, e-beam, EUV, X-ray,  $\mu$ -cp, NIL, Nanosphere
- Nature
  - Erosion, decomposition, digestion



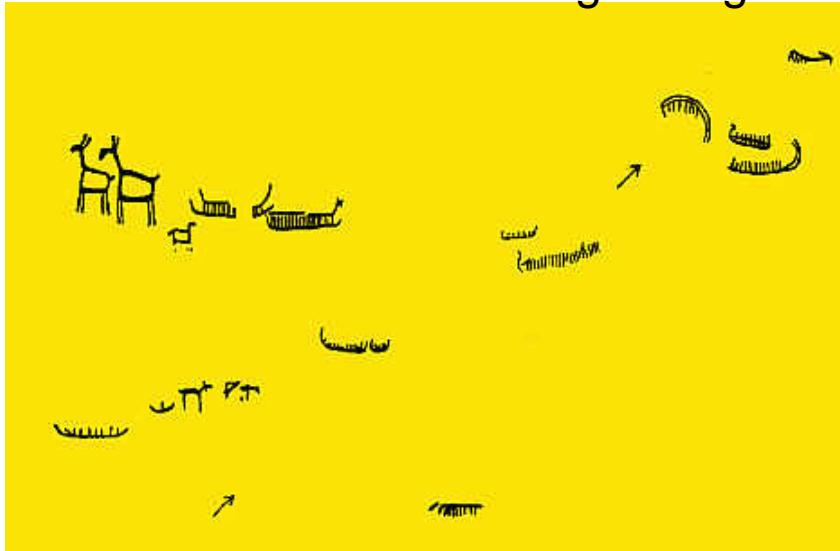
# Bottom-up

- Gas
  - Chemical vapor deposition, atomic layer deposition, MOCVD, MBE, ion implantation
- Liquid
  - Self-assembly, supermolecule, reduction, template synthesis
- Lithographic
  - Dip-pen, block co-polymer, STM writing
- Biological
  - Protein, nuclear acid, crystal formation



# Ancient Patterning

"This is the Elks' land". A greeting at the mouth of Dalbergsaa, Southern Dal.



It seems that the carvings of Northern Scandinavia's including Kola Peninsula are the oldest.

Large figures of ritual animals characterise the Mesolithic period mostly before c.4200 BC



# Writing by Inks

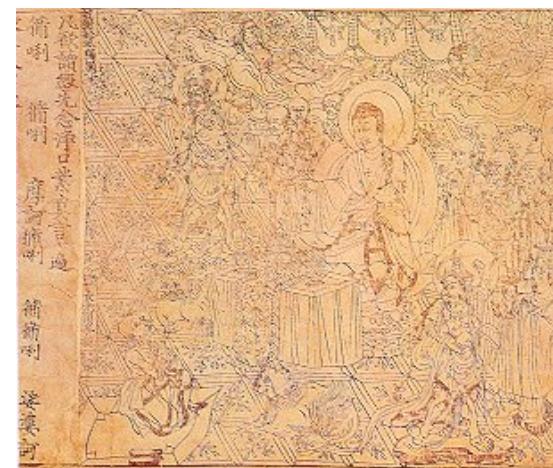
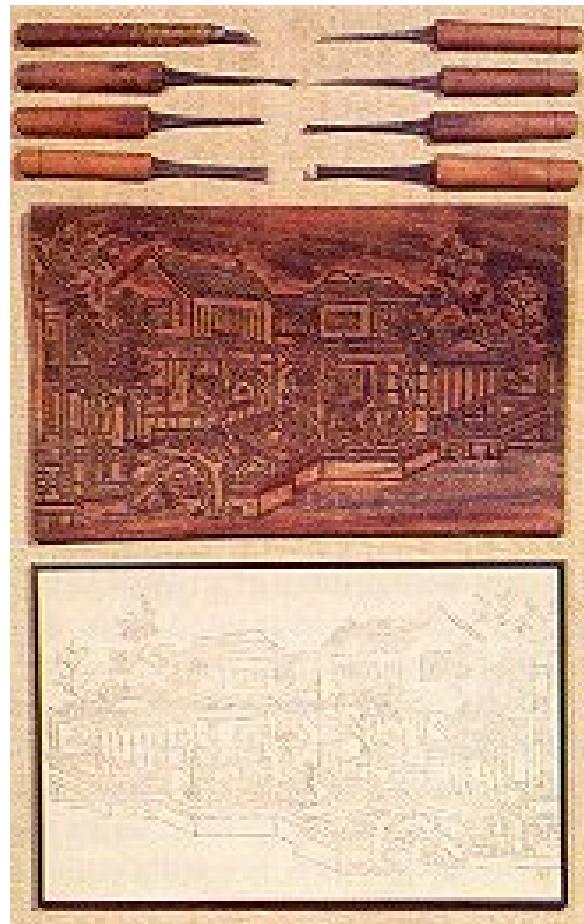


Writing Brush ~2000 Ys

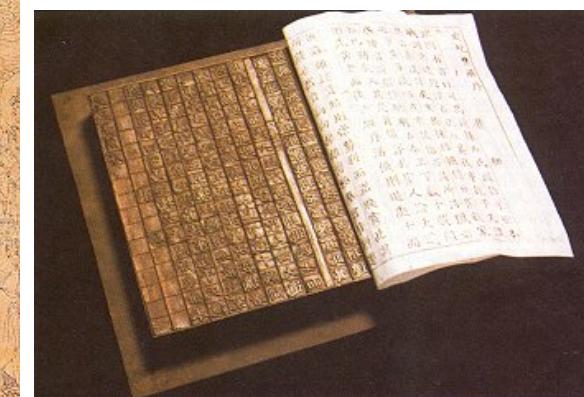
Quill Pen ~1000 Ys



# Chinese Replication



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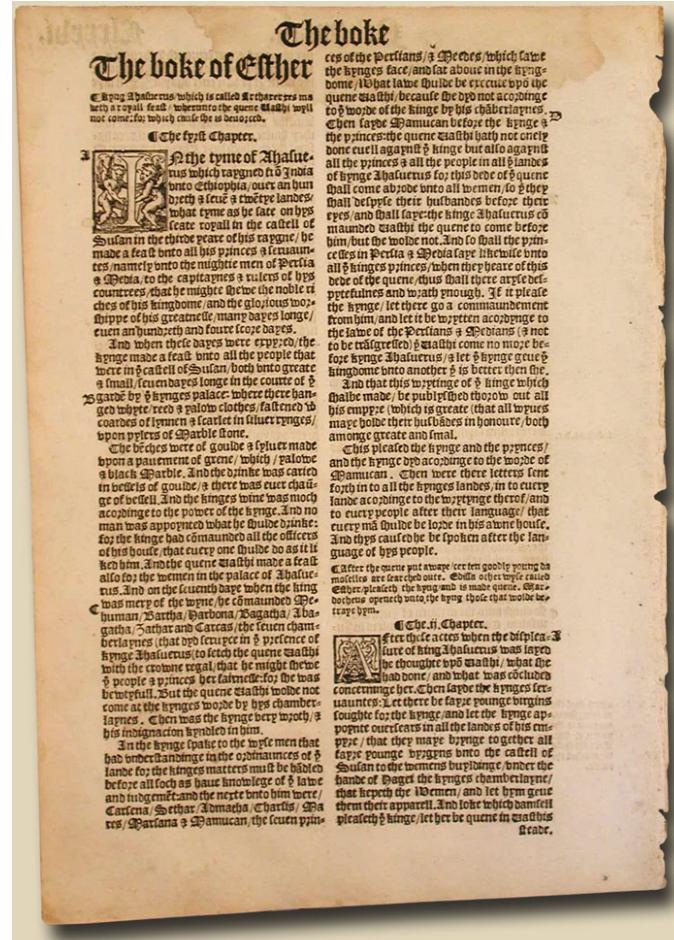
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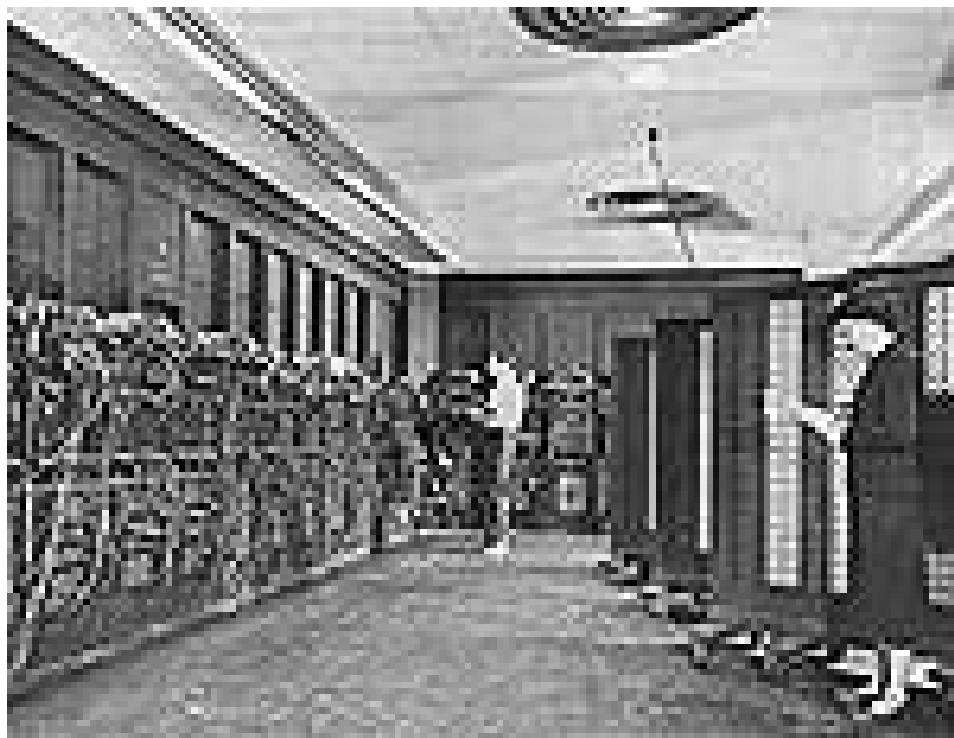
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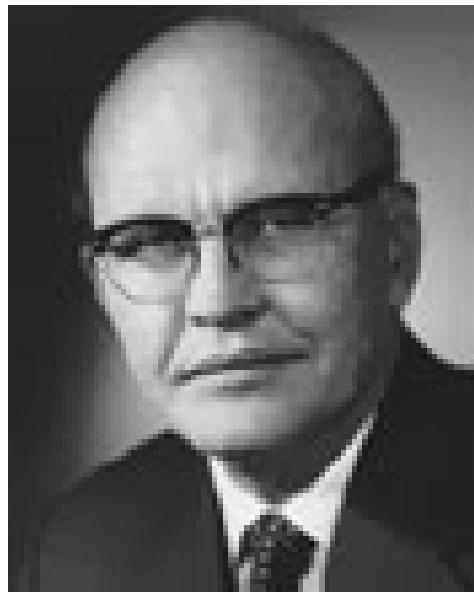
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# Building a computer

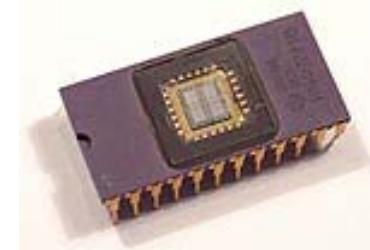


# First Integrated Circuit

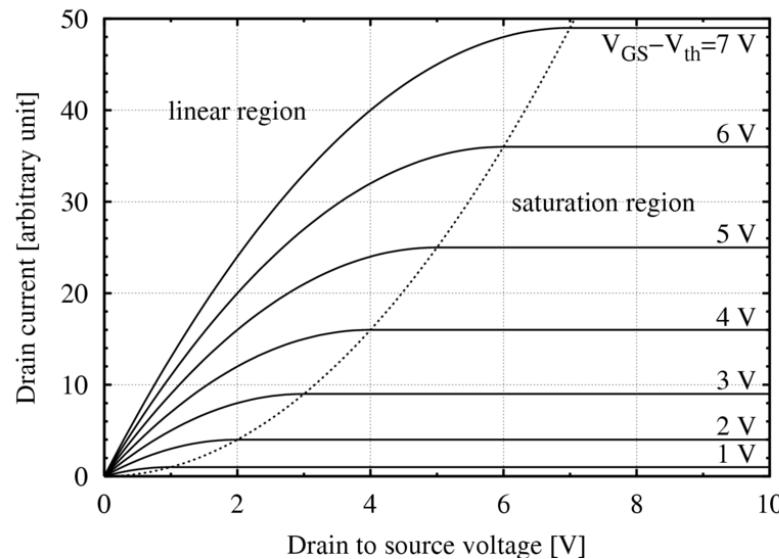
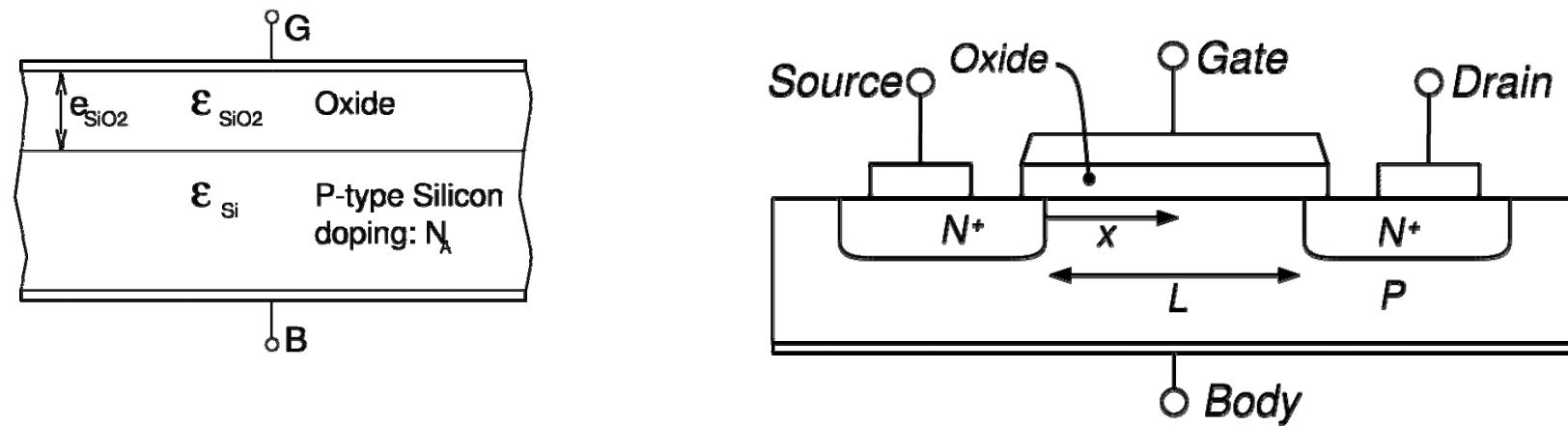


1958 Texas Instruments

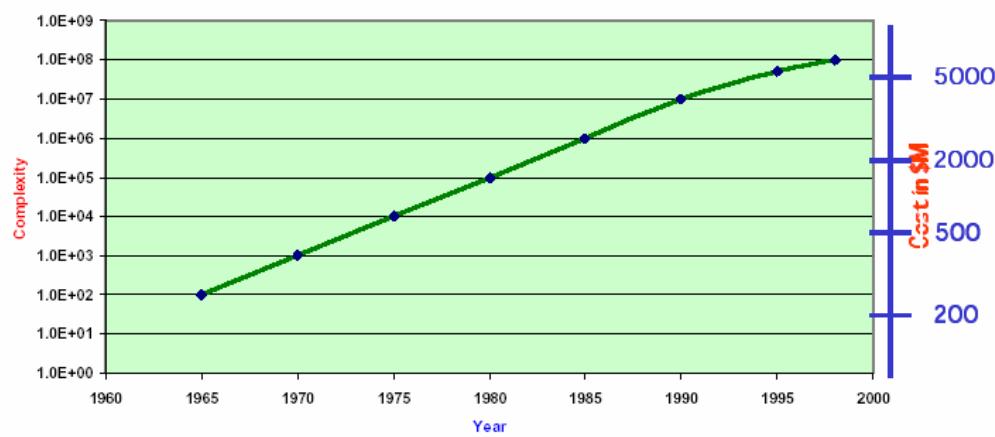
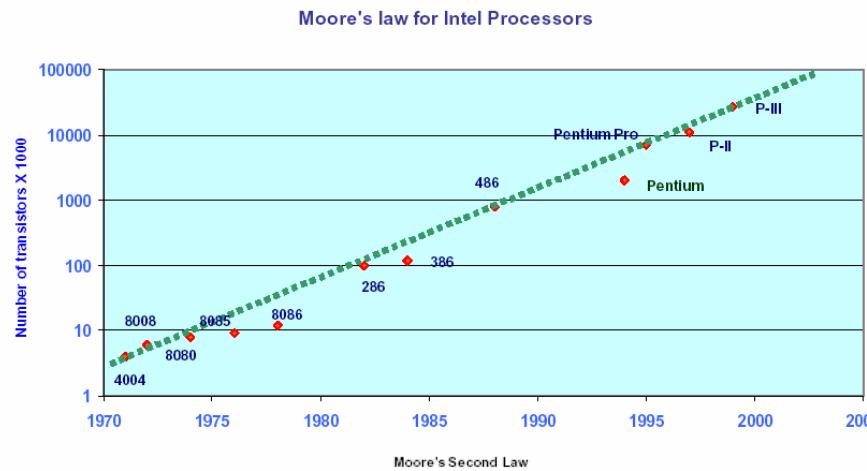
*"What we didn't realize then was that the integrated circuit would reduce the cost of electronic functions by a factor of a million to one, nothing had ever done that for anything before"* - Jack Kilby 2000 Nobel Prize



# metal-oxide-semiconductor field-effect transistor (MOSET)



# Moore's Law



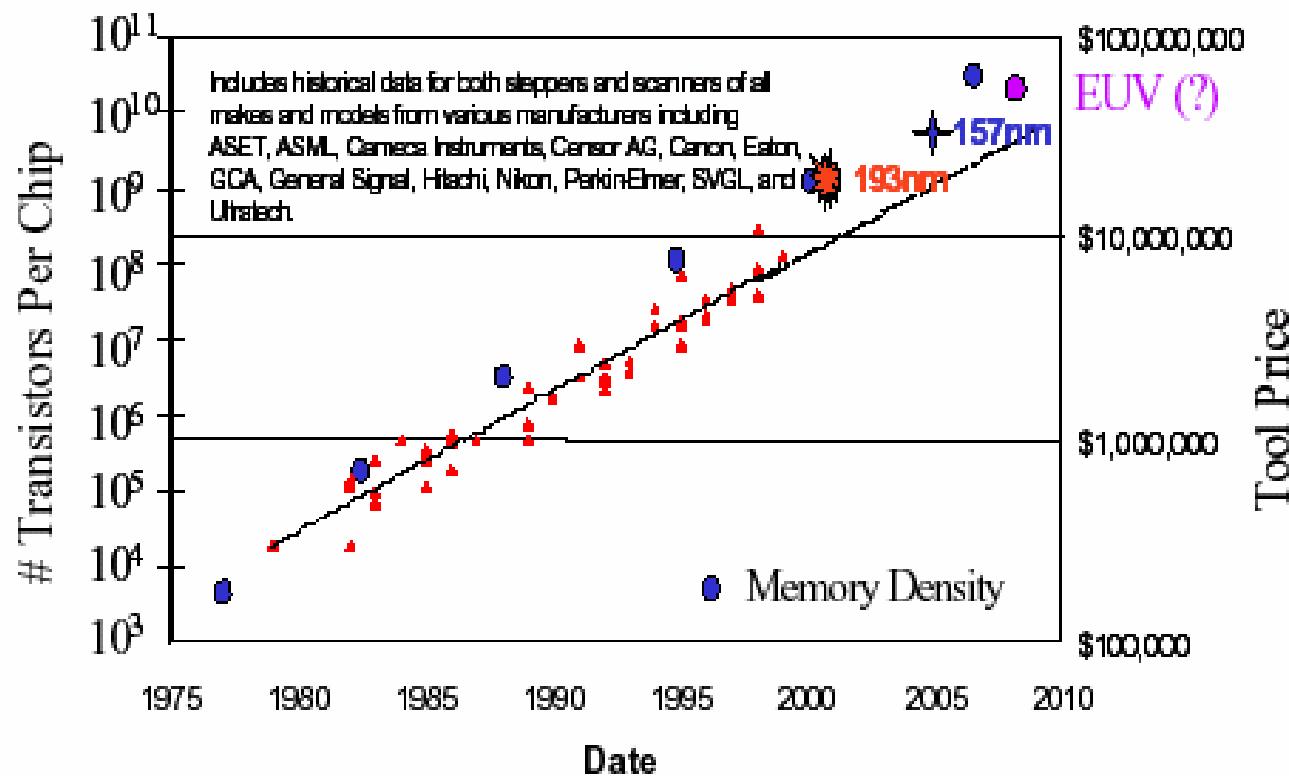
## Moore's Laws

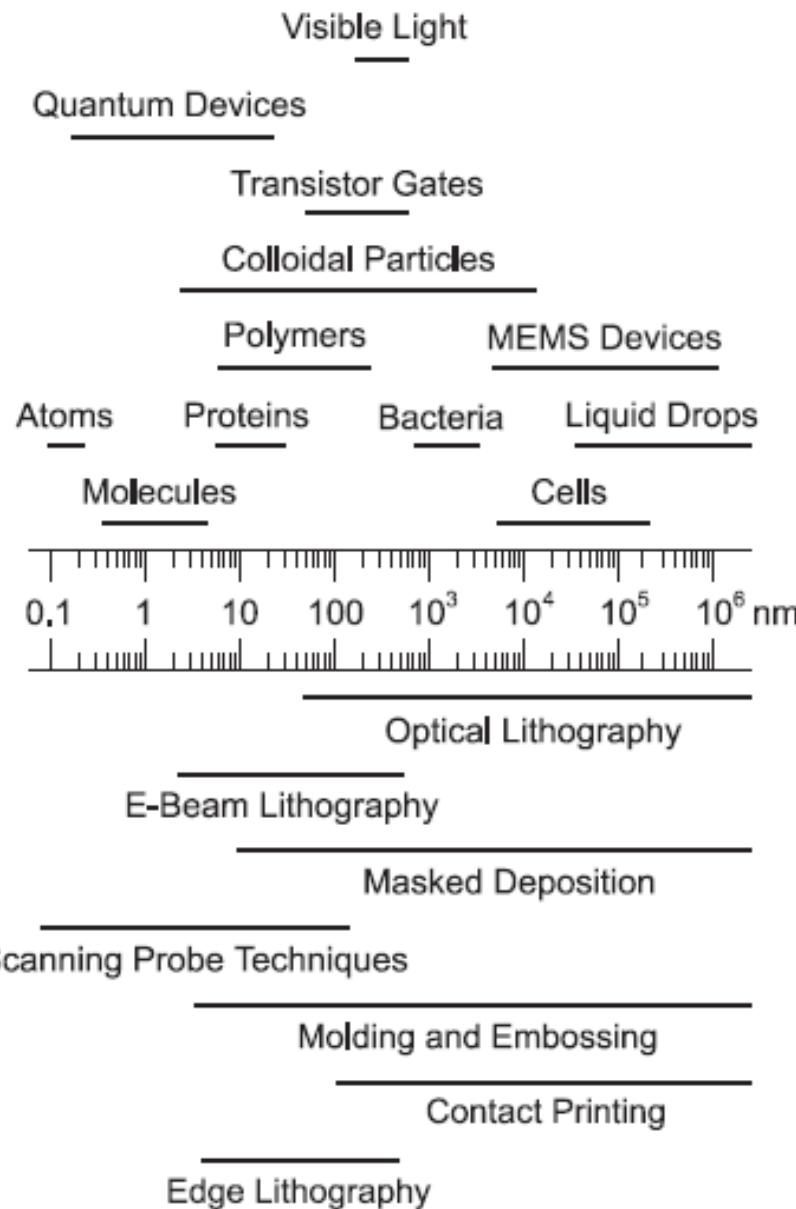
**First Law:** Number of components in a chip (IC) will double roughly every 18 months (1965, in *Electronics*). This has held true more or less since then.

**Second Law:** Facility costs increase on a semilog scale (terminology due to Eugene Meieran, Intel Fellow). Fab costs double approximately every four years.



# Tool Cost



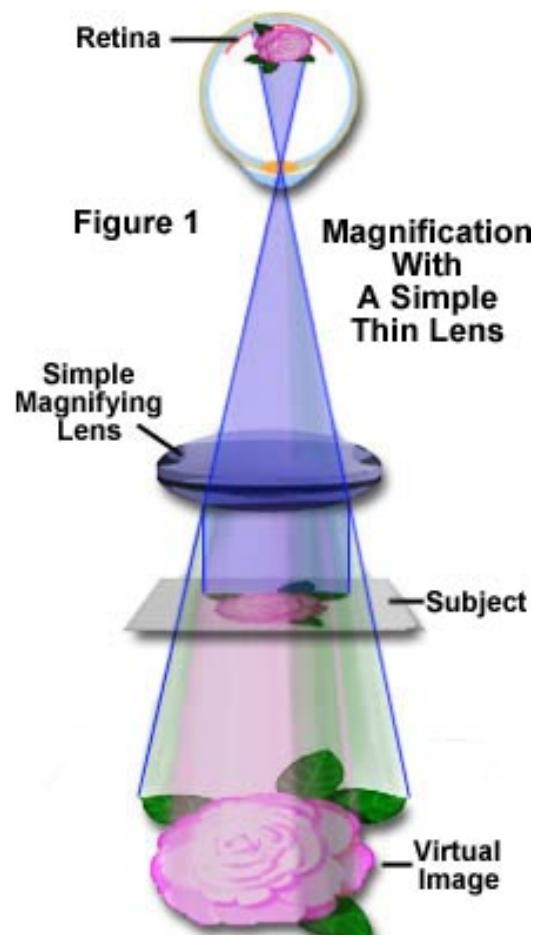


# Industrial Process

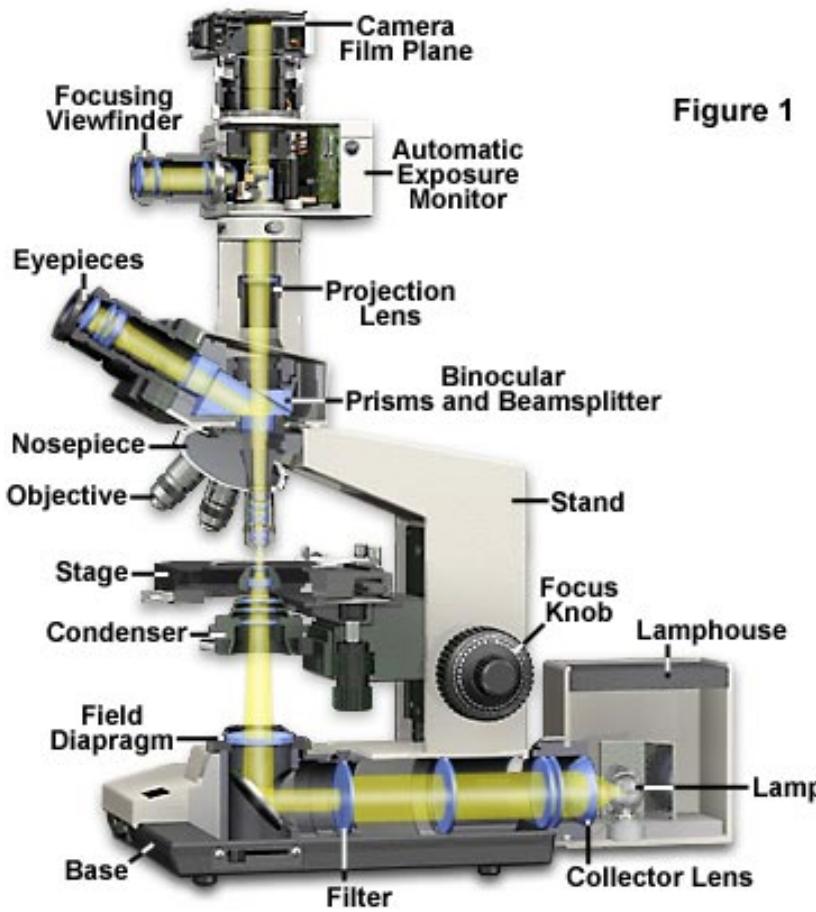
- Lithography
- Deposition
- Etching
- Planization
- Packaging



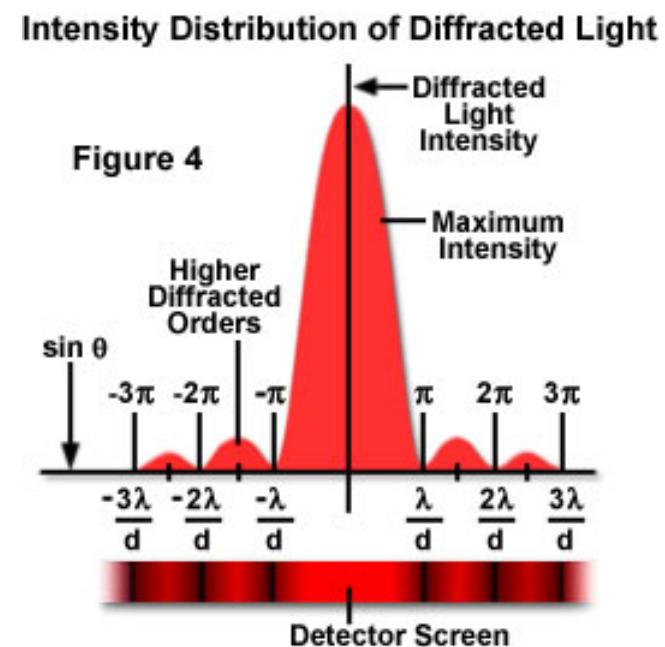
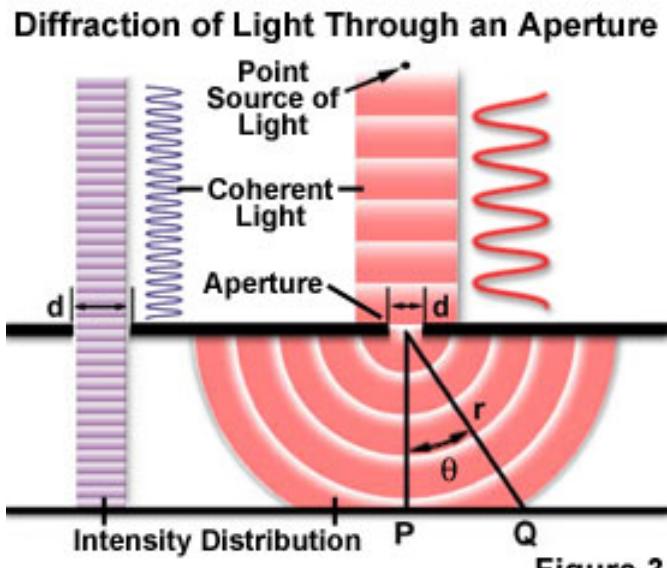
# Optical Microscope



**Modern Microscope Component Configuration**



# Limit of Photolithography

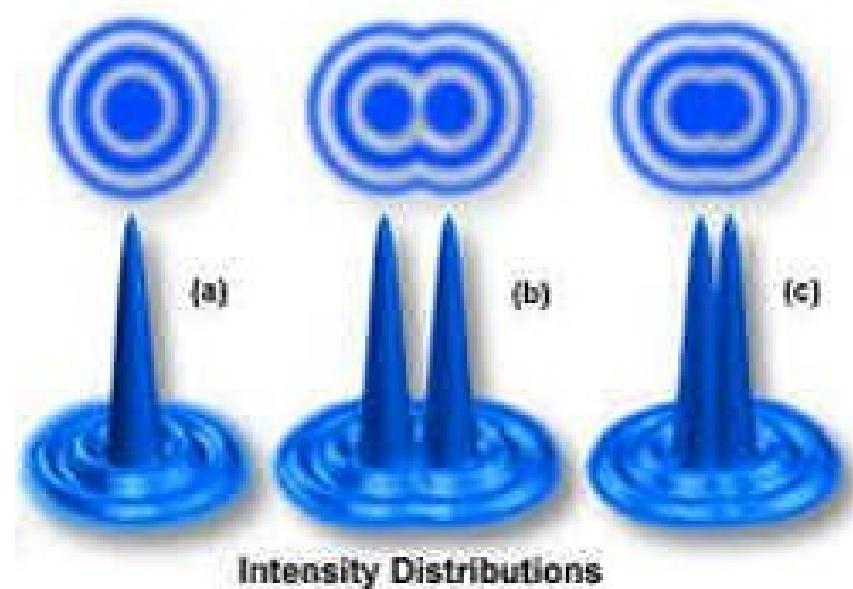


$$r = 1.22 \times \lambda / (2 \times \text{N.A.})$$

$$\text{N.A.} = n \times \sin(\theta)$$



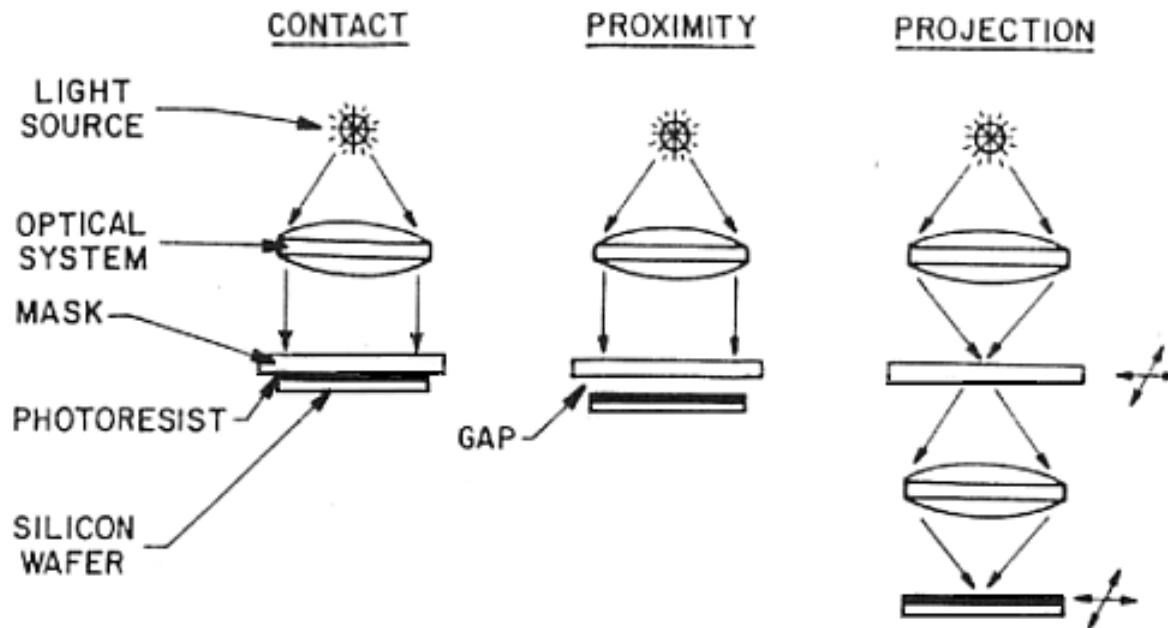
# Diffraction Limit



$$\text{Resolution} = K \times \lambda / (\text{N.A.})$$
$$\text{Depth of Focus} = \lambda / (\text{N.A.})^2$$
$$K = 0.61$$



# Methods of Photolithography

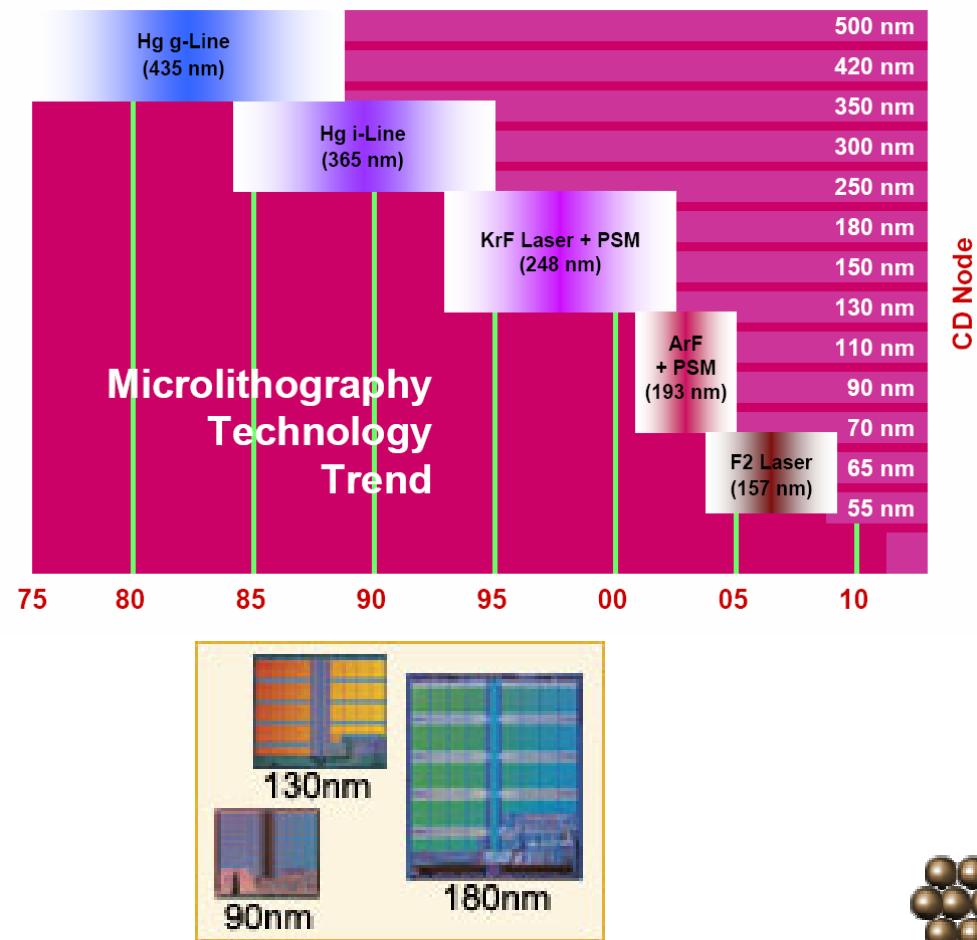


$$W_{\min} = k_1 \sqrt{\lambda d}$$

$$W_{\min} = k_1 \lambda / NA$$



# Photolithography



UV Wavelength (nm)	Wavelength Name	UV Emission Source
436	g-line	Mercury arc lamp
405	h-line	Mercury arc lamp
365	i-line	Mercury arc lamp
248	Deep UV (DUV)	Mercury arc lamp or Krypton Fluoride (KrF) excimer laser
193	Deep UV (DUV)	Argon Fluoride (ArF) excimer laser
157	Vacuum UV (VUV)	Fluorine (F <sub>2</sub> ) excimer laser

Year	Linewidth (nm)	Wavelength (nm)
1986	1,200	436
1988	800	436/365
1991	500	365
1994	350	365/248
1997	250	248
1999	180	248
2001	130	248
2003	90	248/193
2005 (fcst)	65	193
2007 (fcst)	45	193



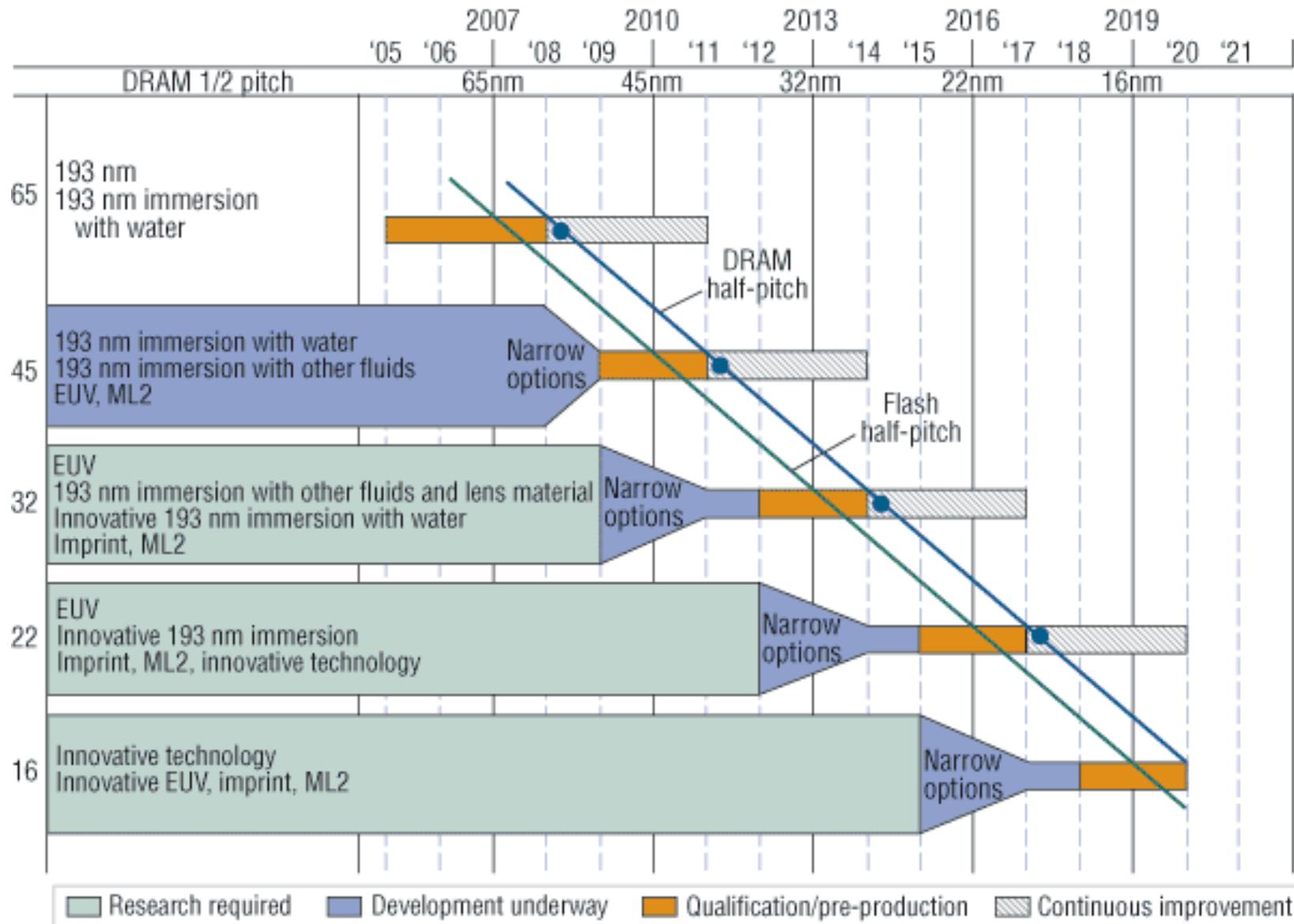
# Water Immersion Lithography

Year	Linewidth (nm)	Wavelength (nm)
1986	1200	436 g-line mercury lamp
1988	800	436/365
1991	500	365 i-line mercury lamp
1994	350	365/248
1997	250	248 KrF excimer laser
1999	180	248
2001	130	248
2003	90	248/193
2005	65	193 ArF excimer laser
2007	45	193/157

$$\text{Resolution (R)} = K \times \lambda / (\text{N.A.})$$
$$K = 0.25, \text{NA} \sim 1.4, \lambda = 193$$
$$R = 35 \text{ nm}$$

$$\text{Air } n = 1.0003$$
$$\text{Water } n = 1.437$$

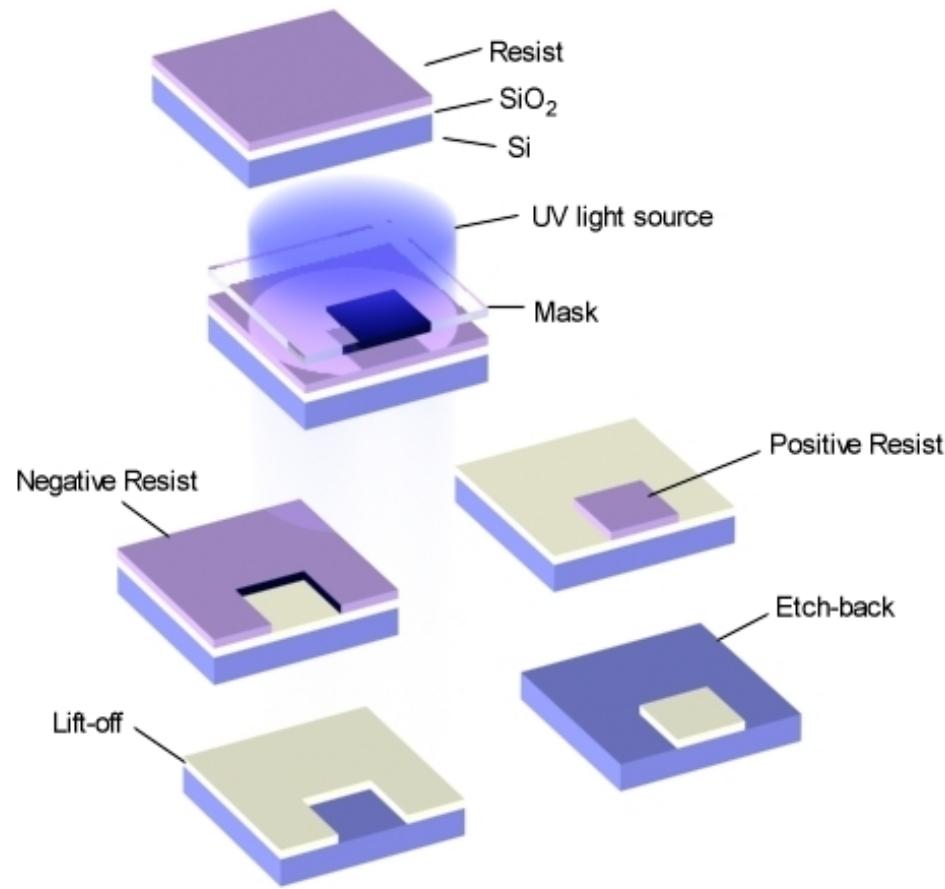


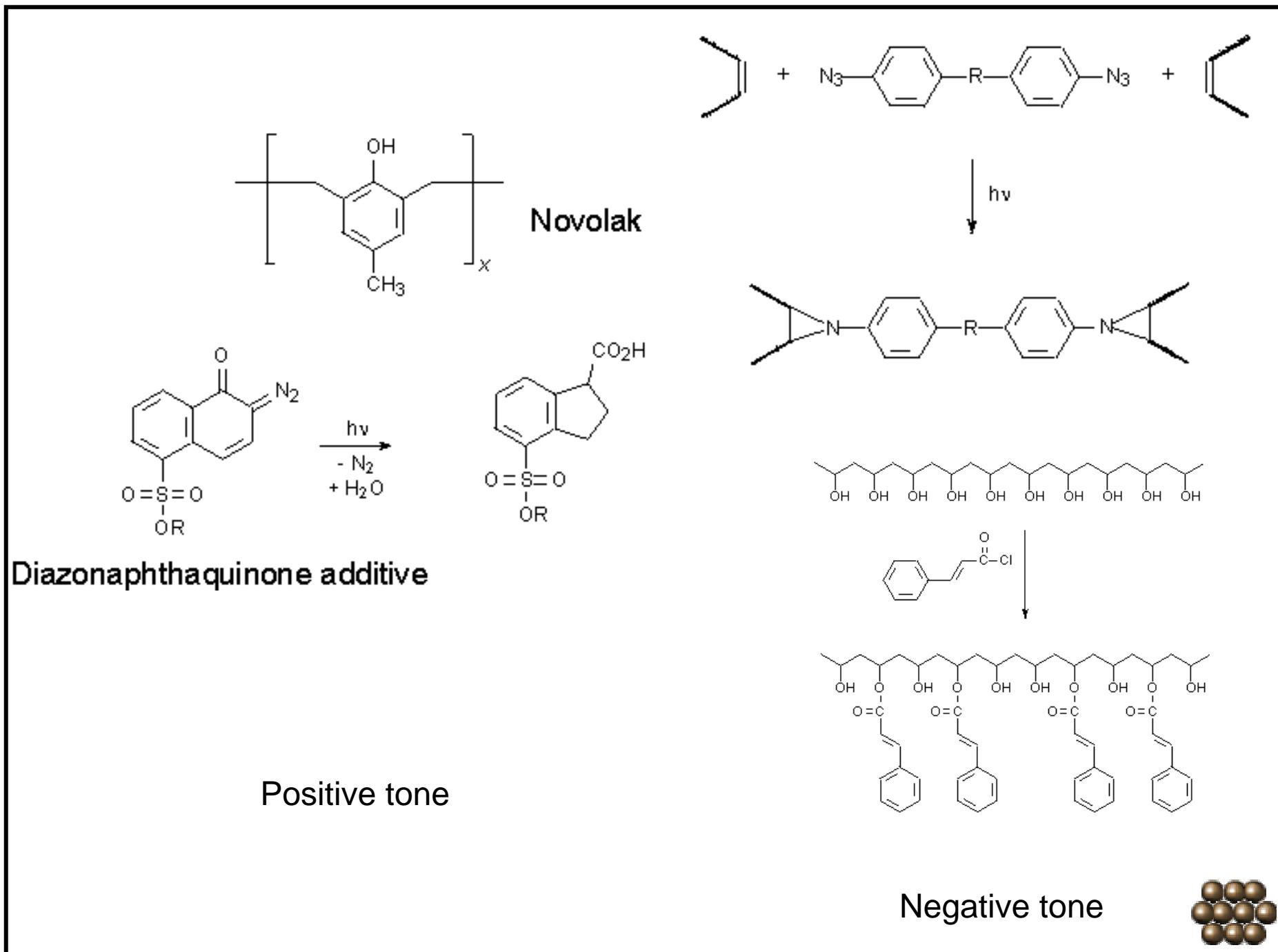


This legend indicates the time during which research, development, and qualification/pre-production should be taking place for the solution.

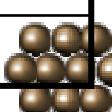


# Photolithography Process

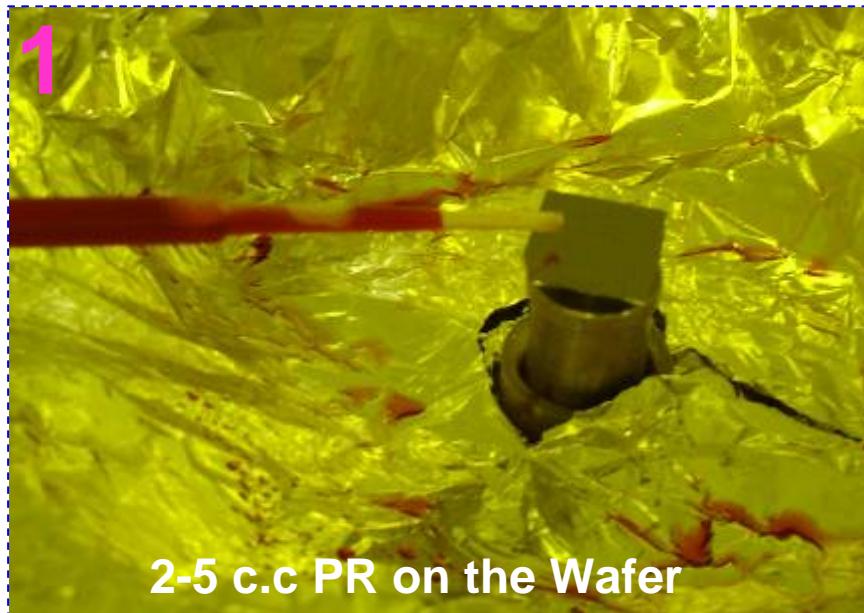




# RCA Cleaning (By Radio Corporation of America in 1965)

Chemicals	Volume ratio	Procedure Time (min)	Operation Temperature	Function
Trichloroethane		5	Room T	Dissolve Organic
Acetone		5	Room T	Dissolve Organic
DI Water		5	Room T	Washing
$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ (98%)- $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ (30%) (Piranha Solution)	3:1	10-20	~90°C	Oxide and Dissolve Organic and Metals
DI Water		5	Room T	Washing
HF(49 wt %)- $\text{H}_2\text{O}$	~2:100	10-20	Room T	Dissolve surface $\text{SiO}_2$
$\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ (29%)- $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ (30%)- $\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1:1:5	10-20	~90°C	Oxide and Dissolve Metals
DI Water		5	Room T	Washing
HCl(37%)- $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ (30%)- $\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1:1:5	10-20	~90°C	Oxide and Dissolve Metals
DI Water		5	Room T	Washing
Spin Dry (In lad – $\text{N}_2$ blow )				

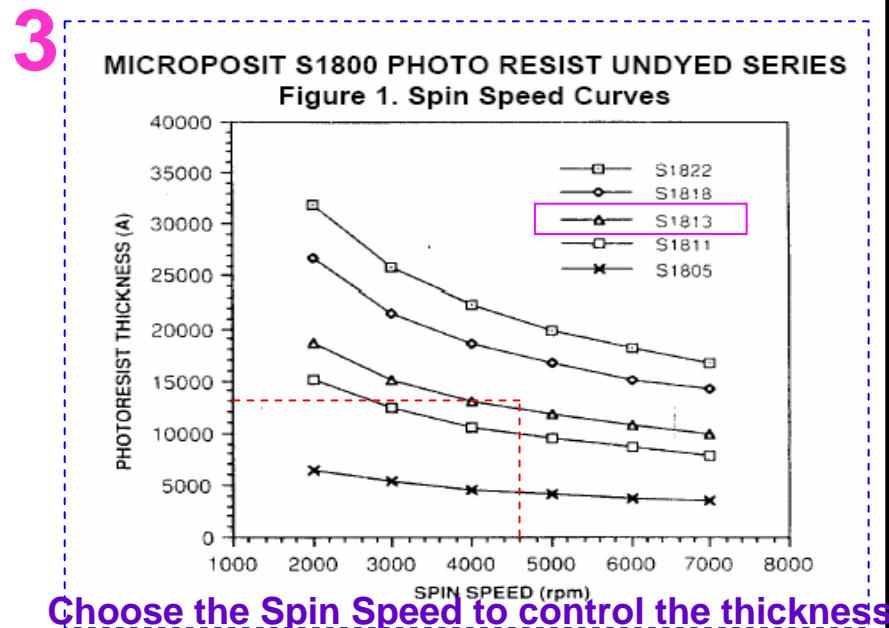
# Spin Coating Photoresist on Wafer



## 2-5 c.c PR on the Wafer



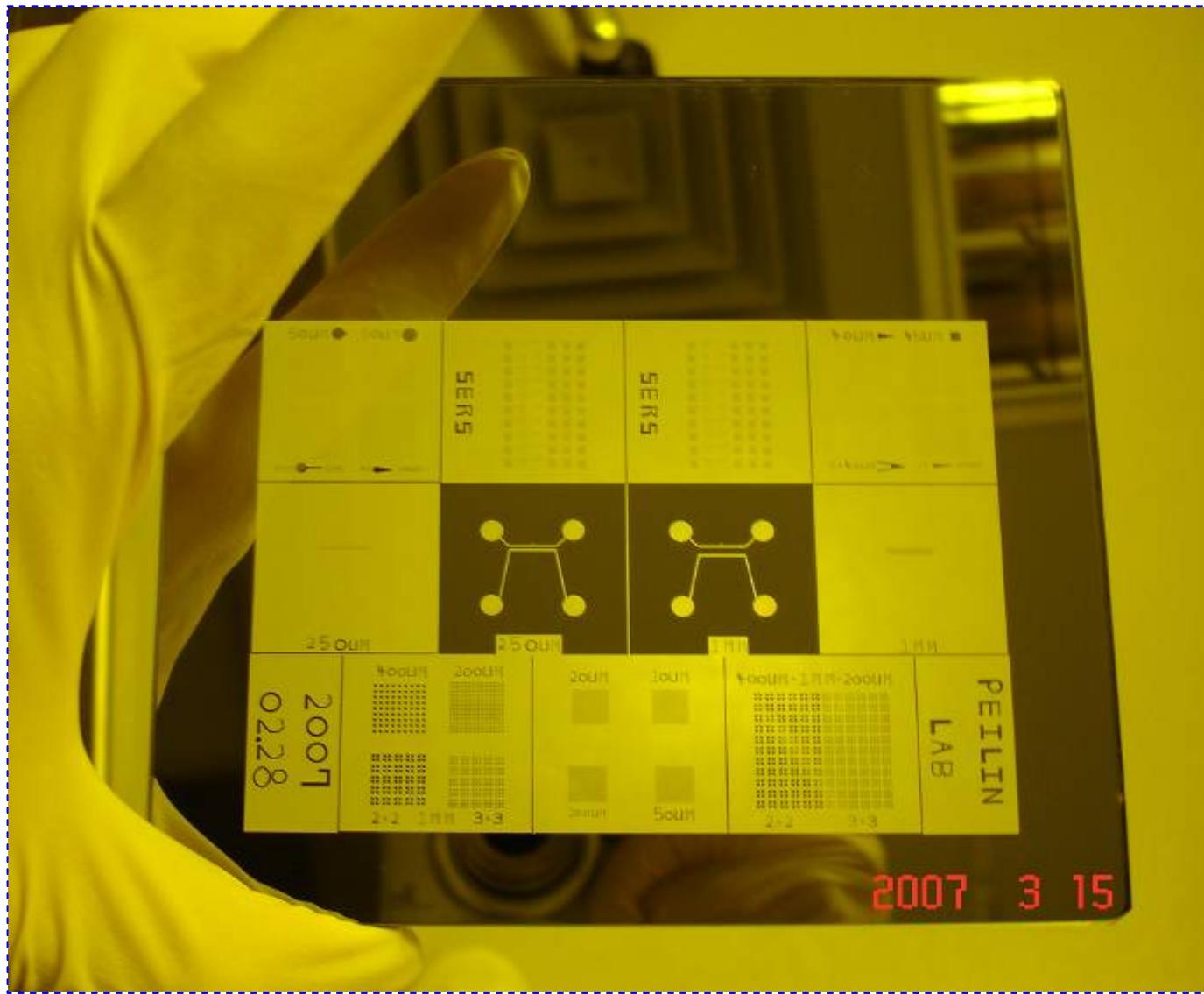
## Wait for 5 to 15 second



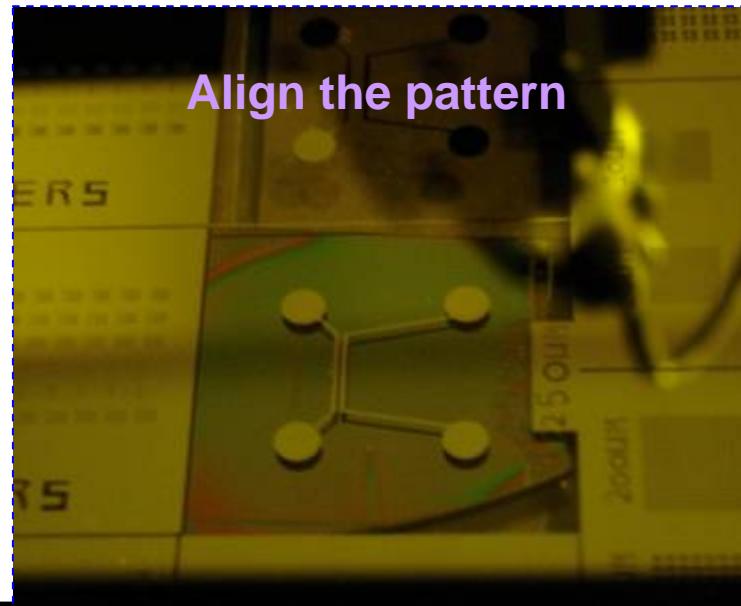
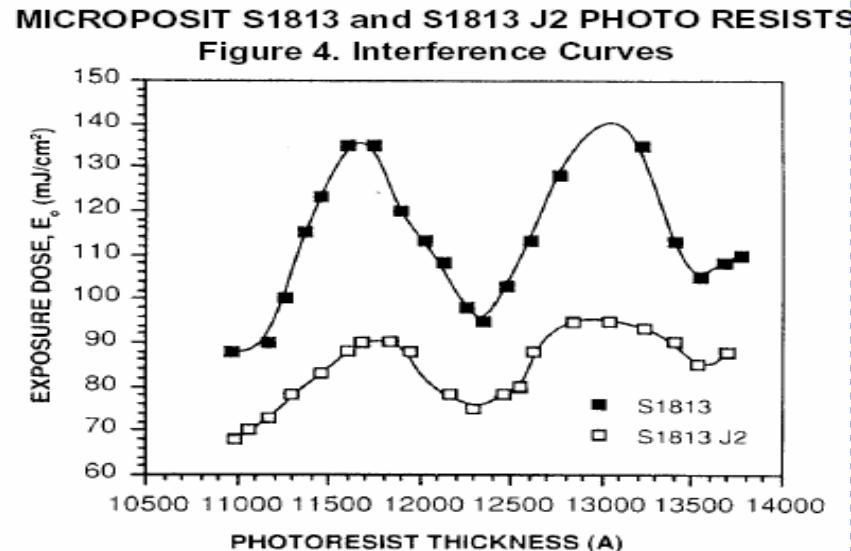
**Choose the Spin Speed to control the thickness**

- Photo resist : Shipley 1813
- Spin : 2000 rpm 5 s  
4500 rpm 15 s
- Soft Bake : 110°C 60 s
- Exposure : 7 s
- Developed : MF319 for 15 s

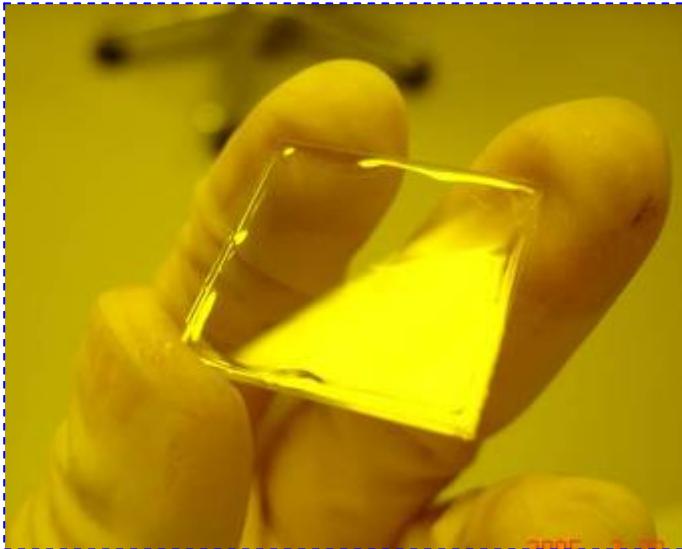
# Standard Mask Size: 5" x 5"



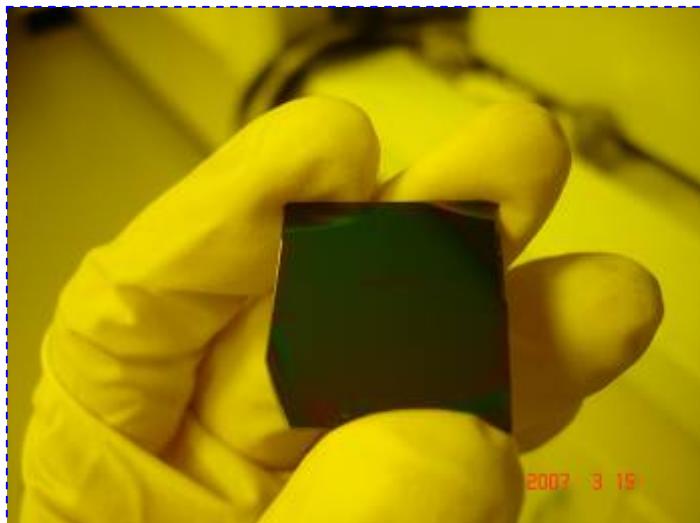
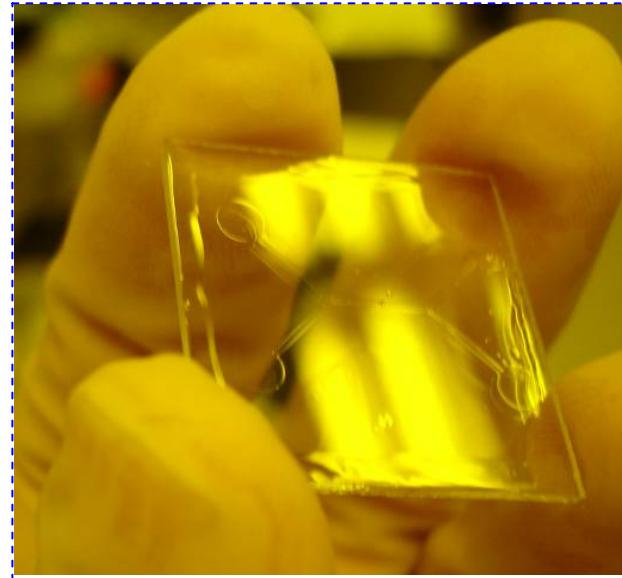
# Align the pattern and Exposure



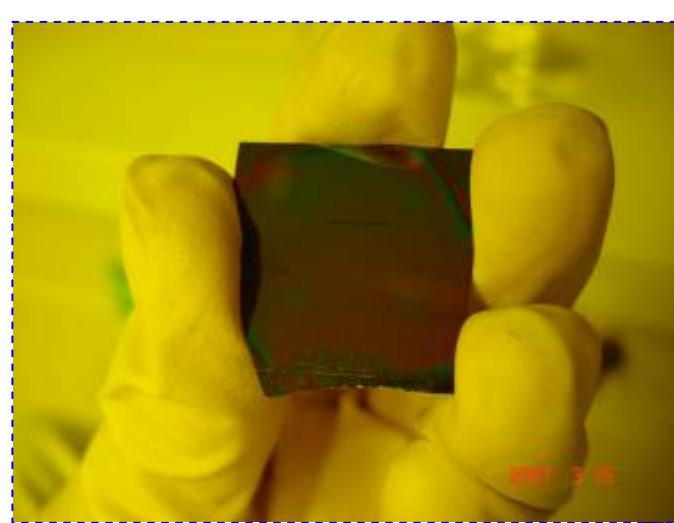
# Some Photoresist Need PEB (post exposure Bake)



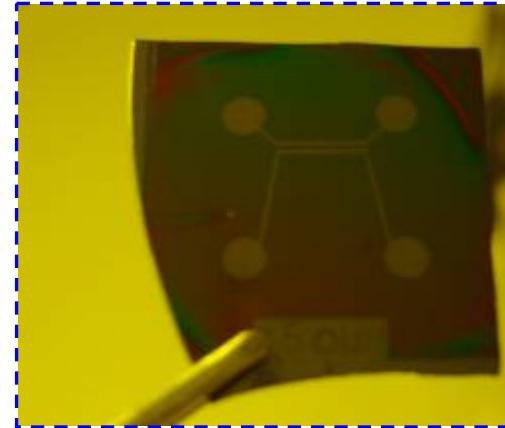
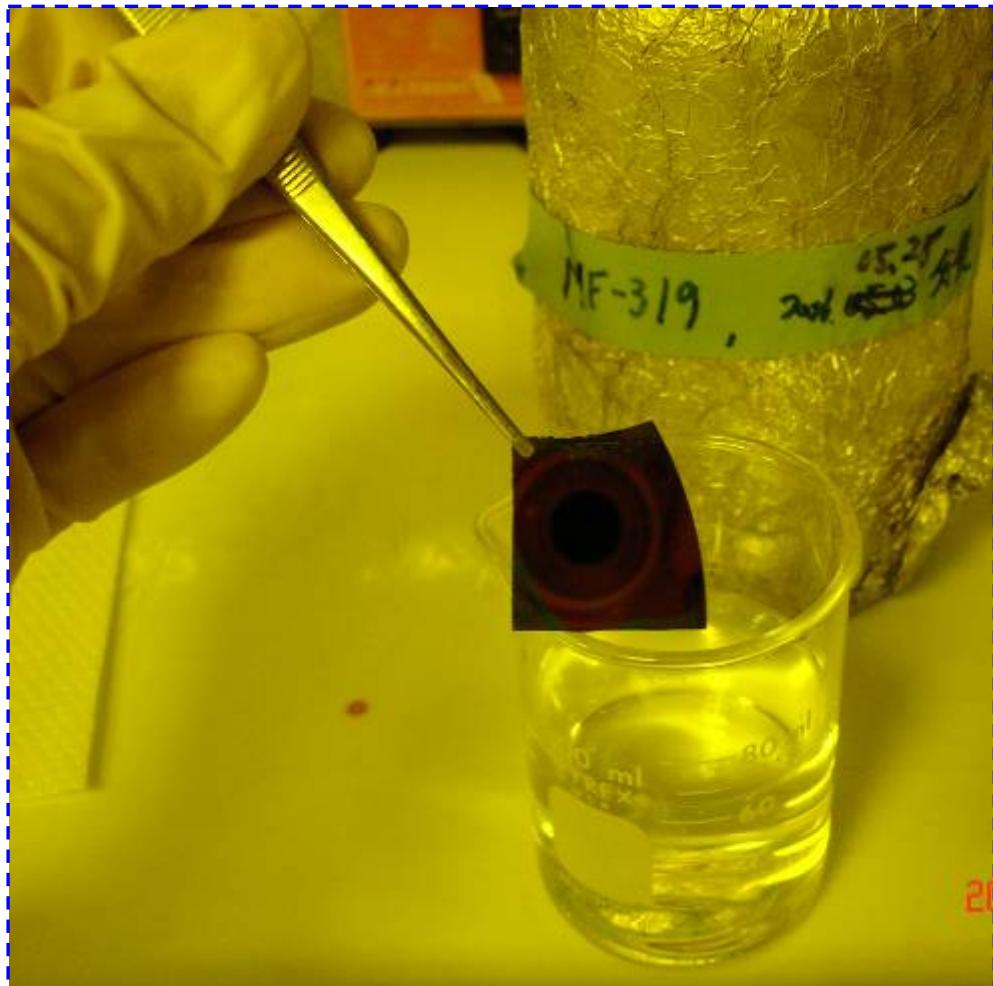
**SU-8 2015**  
→  
**65 °C, 60 s**  
**95 °C, 60 s**



**SPR 510A**  
→  
**90 °C, 90 s**



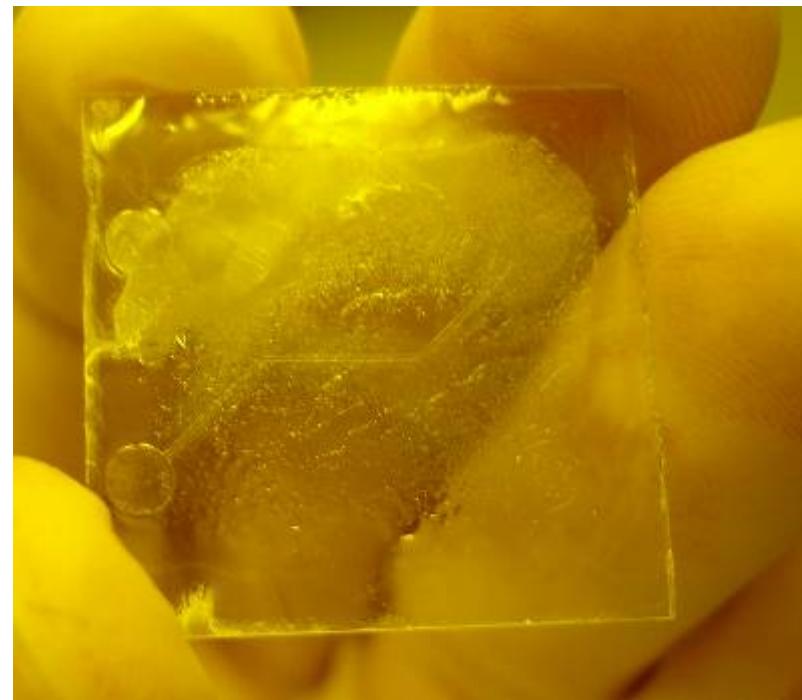
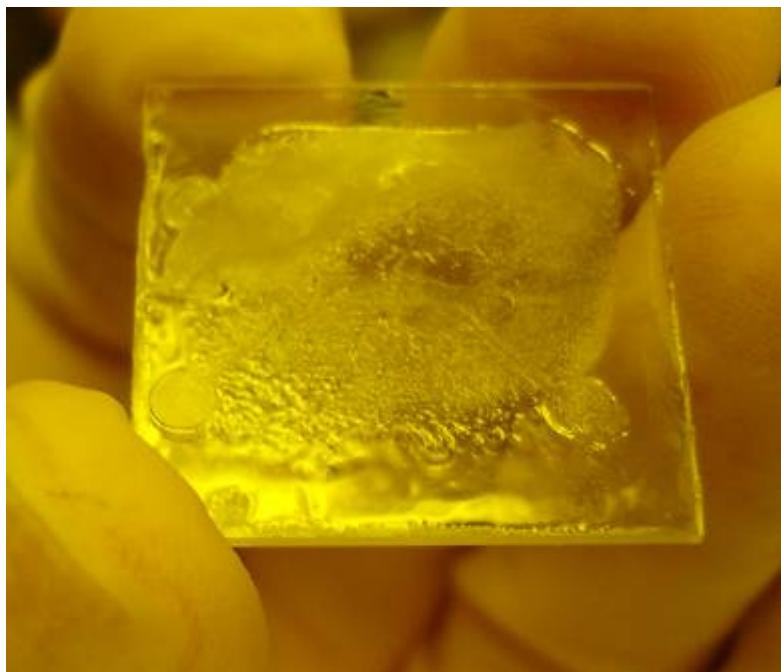
# Develop the Photoresist



- Photo resist : **Shipley 1813**
- Spin : 2000 rpm 5 s  
4500 rpm 15 s
- Soft Bake : 110°C 60 s
- Exposure : 7 s
- **Developed : MF319 for 15 s**



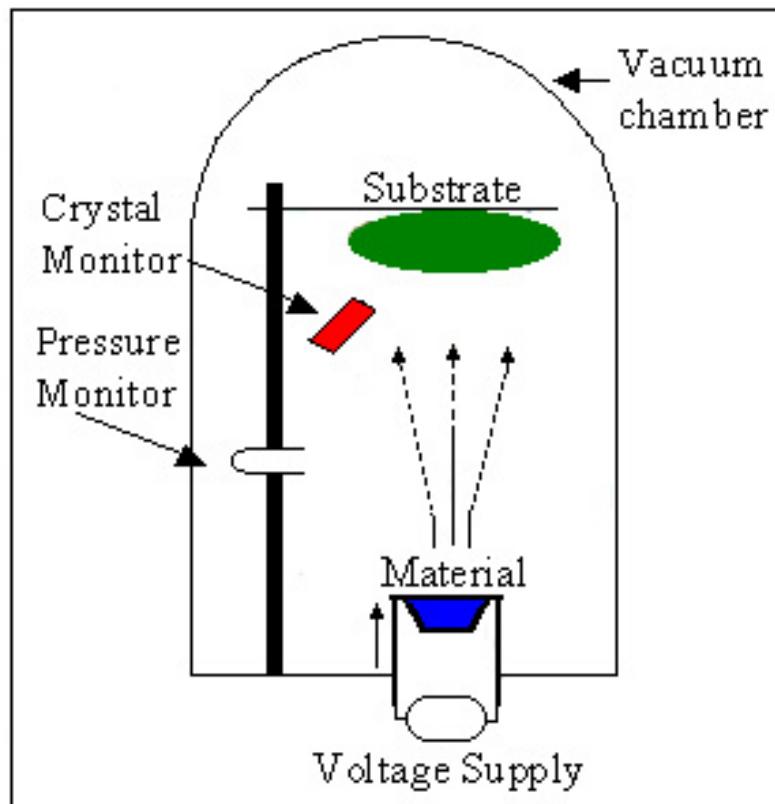
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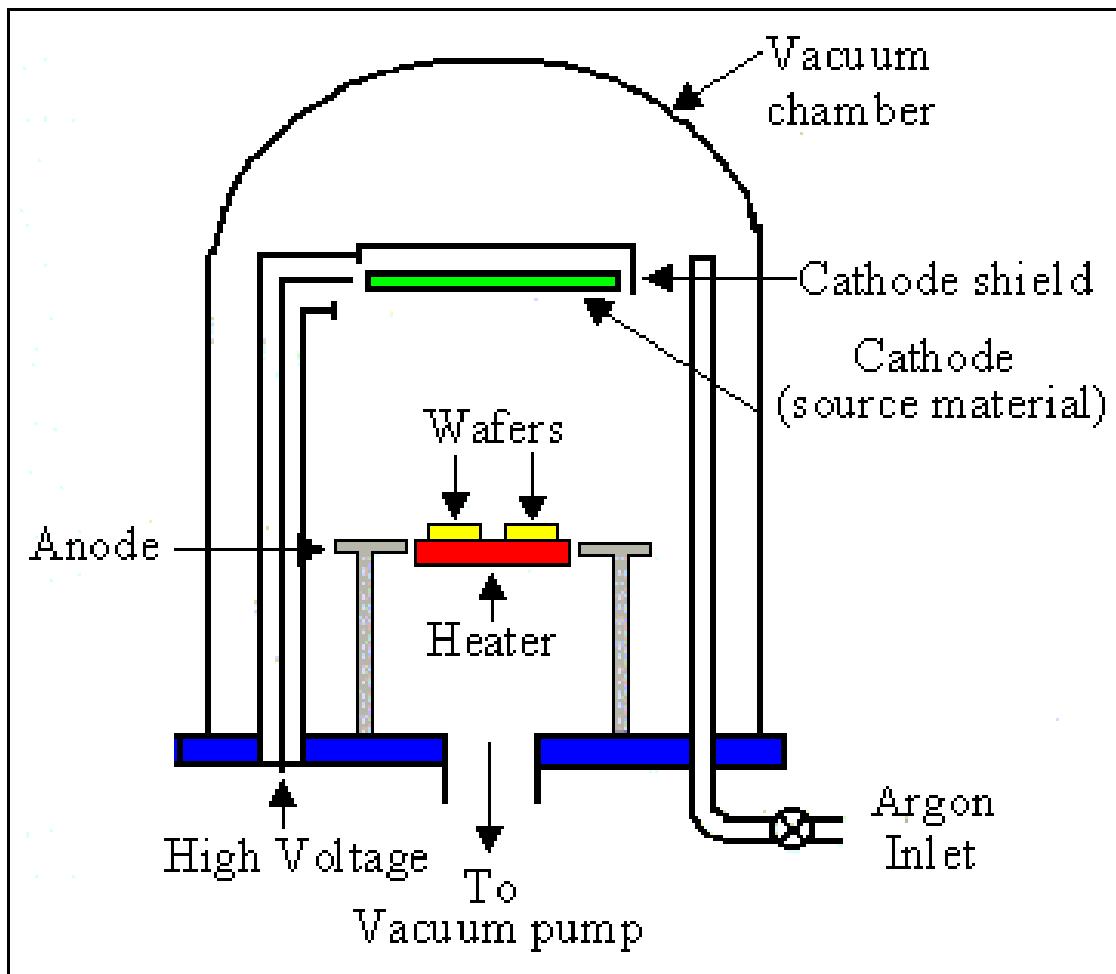
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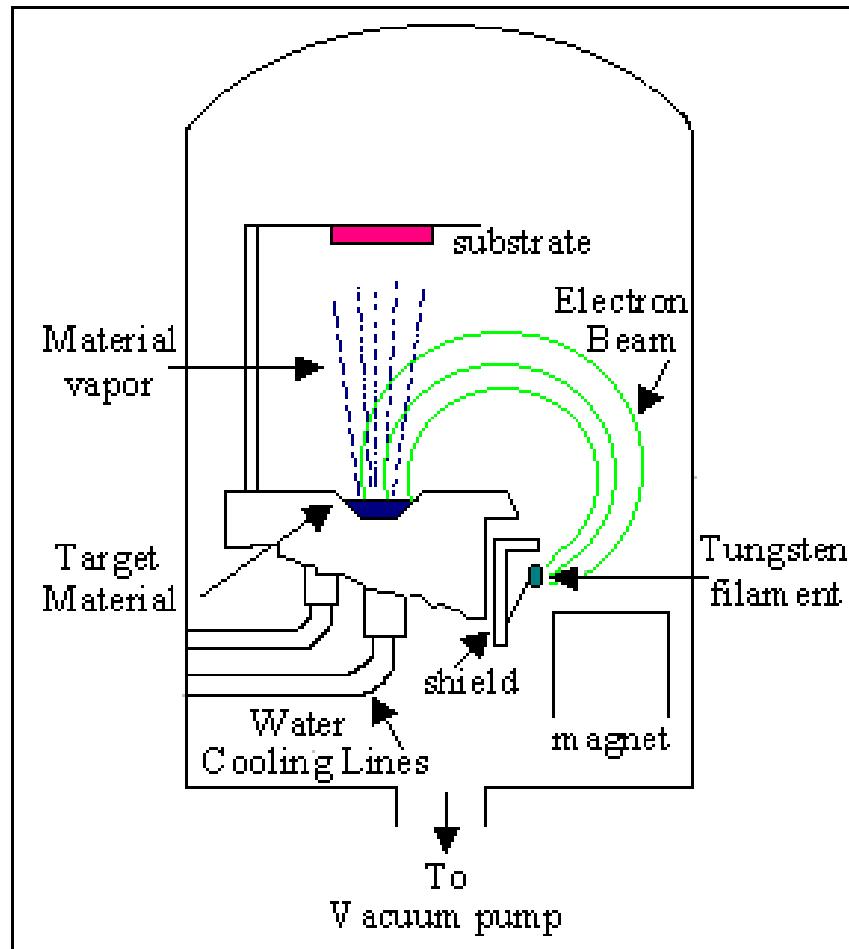
# Thermal Evaporator



# Sputter



# E-beam Evaporator



# RCAS E-Beam Evaporator



## 一. 儀器名稱

中文名稱：電子束蒸鍍系統  
英文名稱：E-Beam

## 二. 儀器廠牌、型號及儀器購置年限

廠牌：聚昌科技 AST

儀器購置年限：民國92年7月

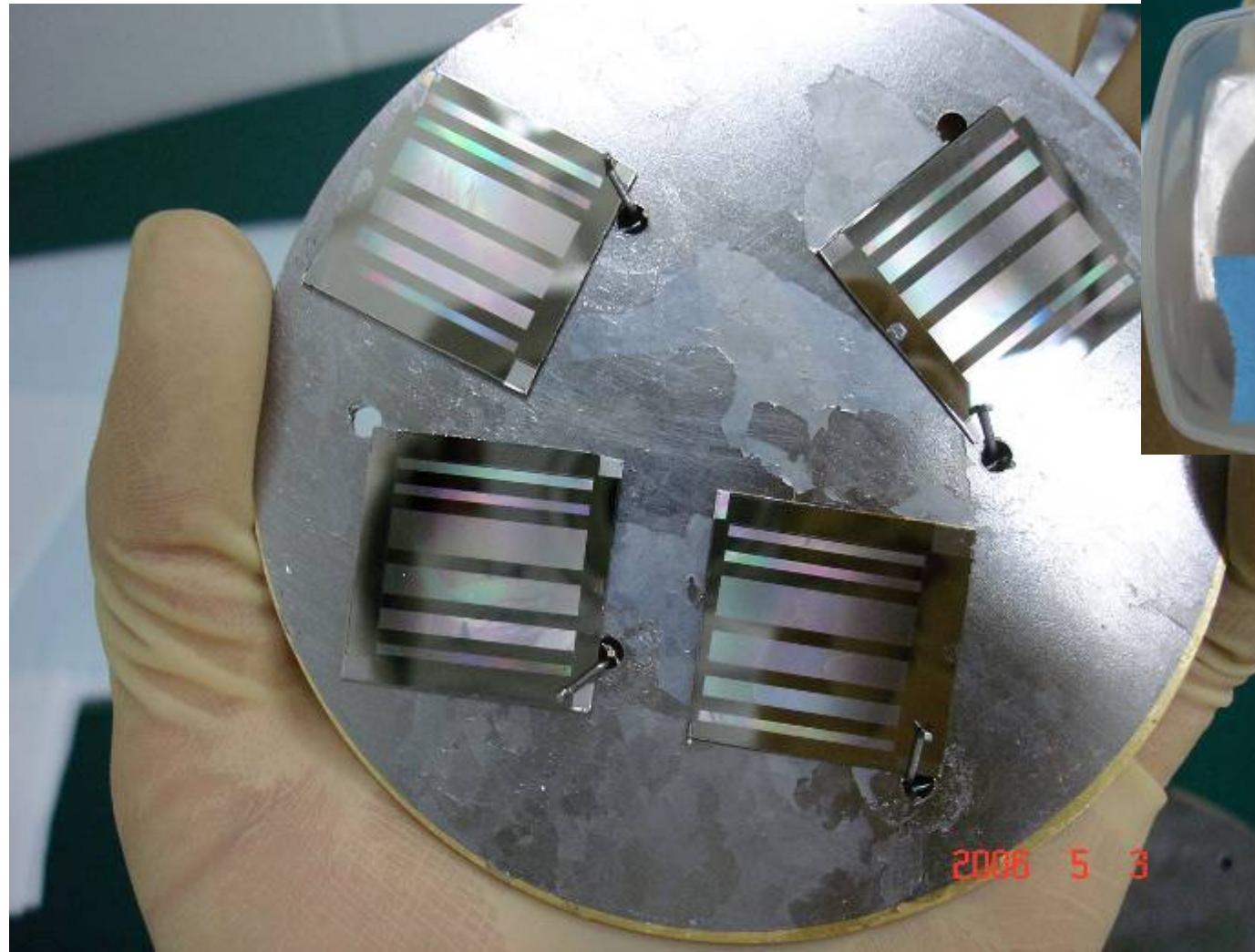
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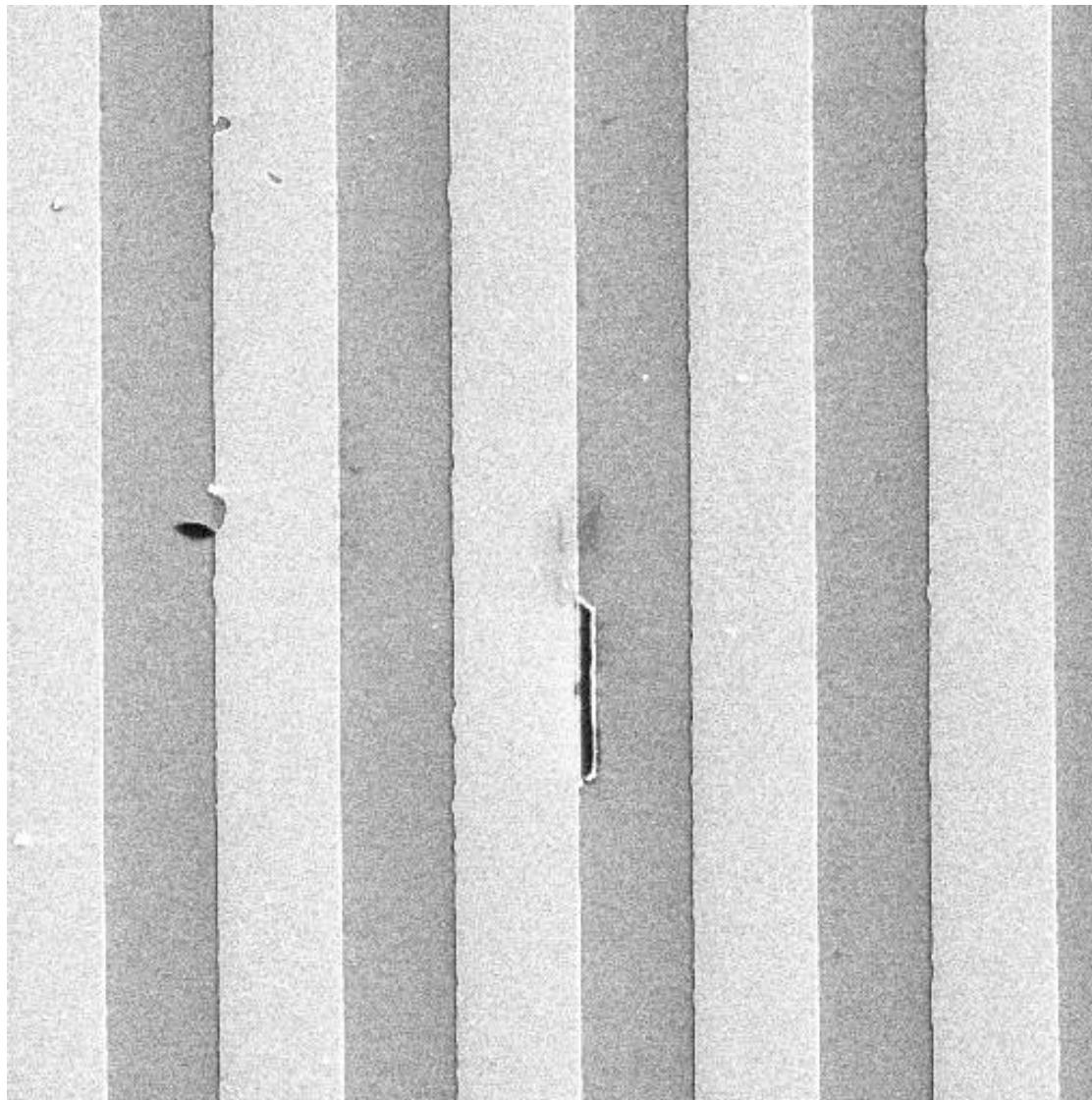
回儀器配置圖



TI 50 nm



# SEM image of Ti 50 nm on Si wafer



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View field: 89.76 um  
VAC: HiVac

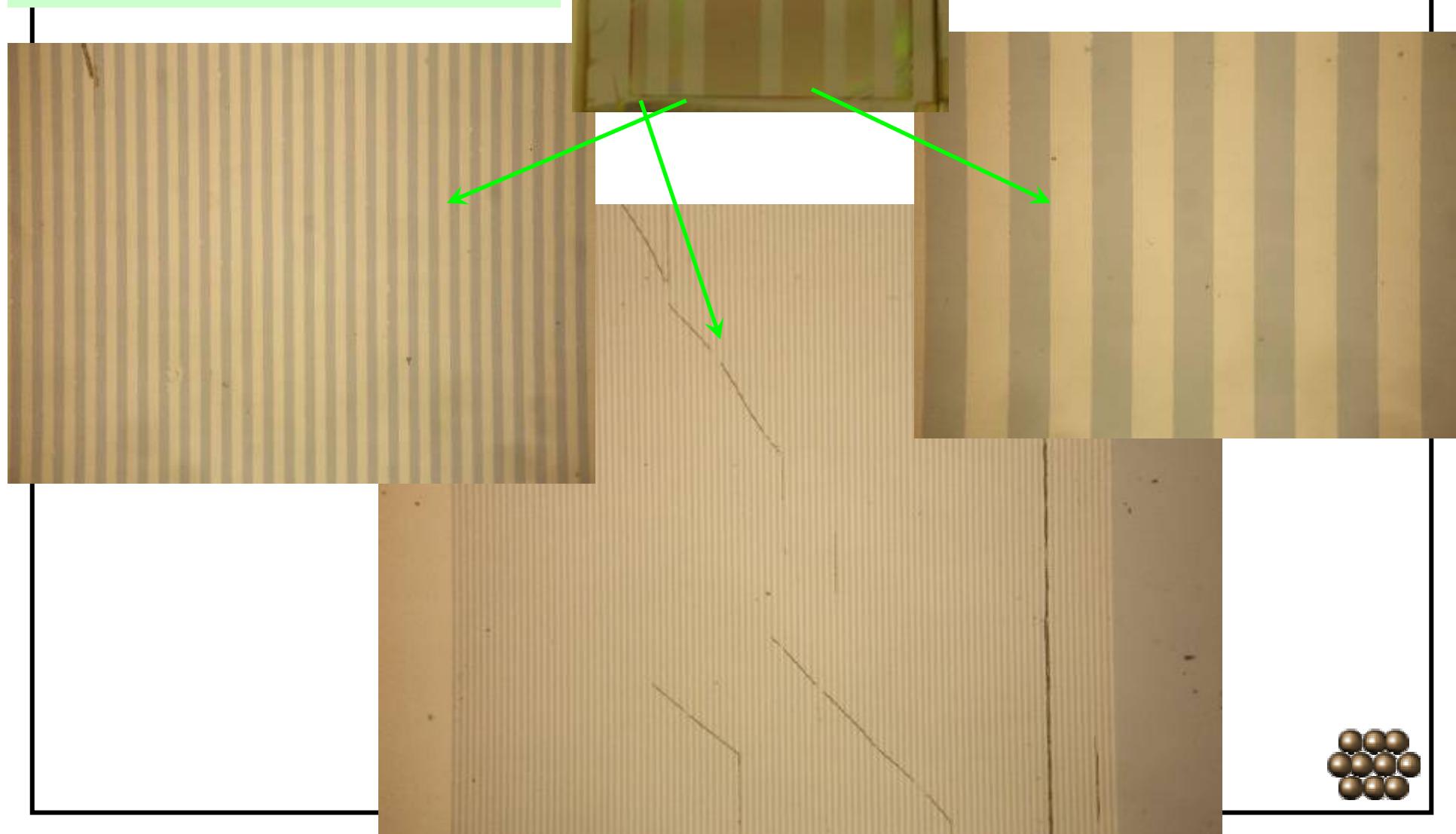
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SM: RESOLUTION



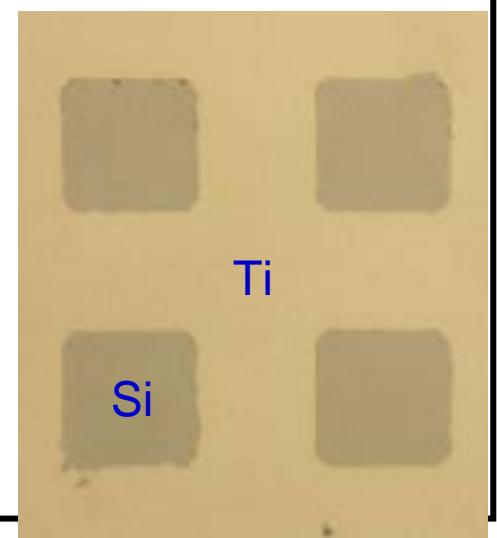
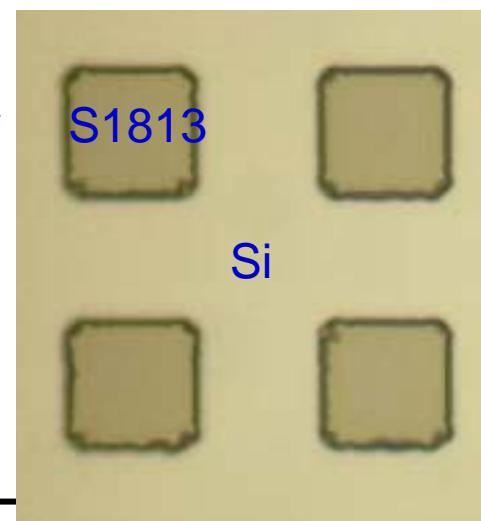
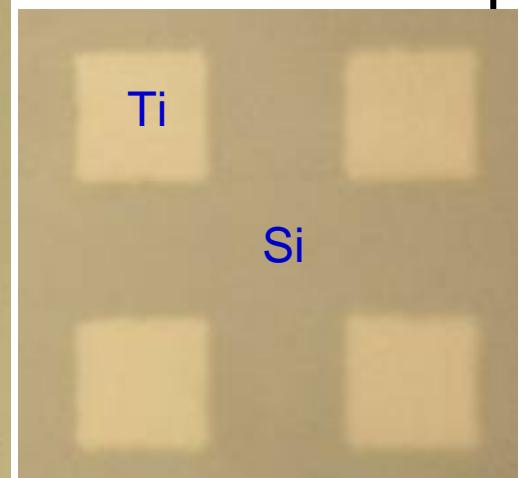
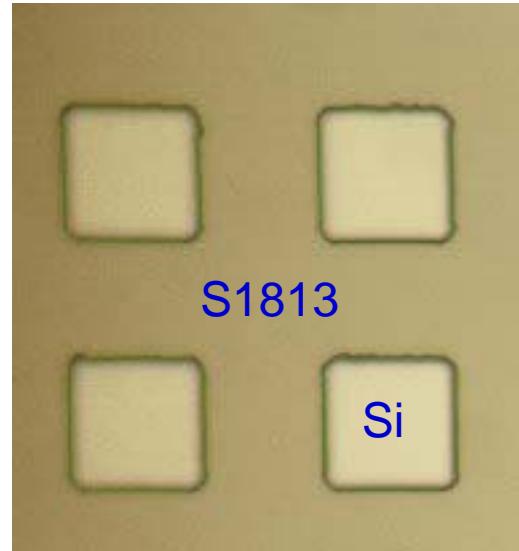
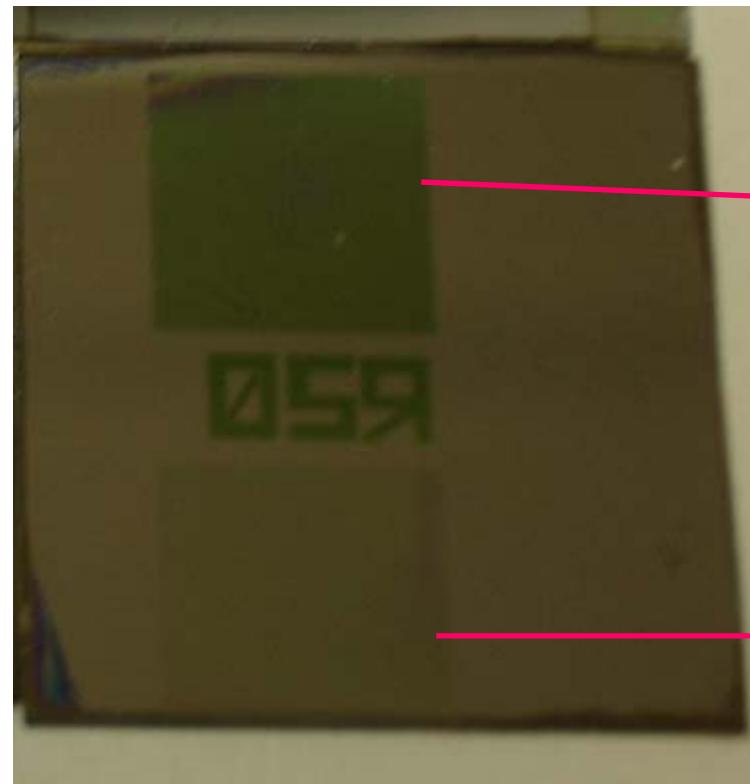
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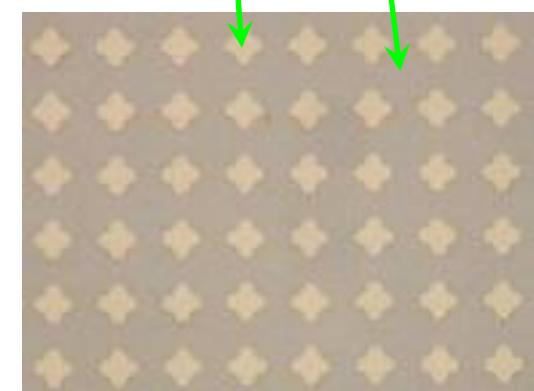
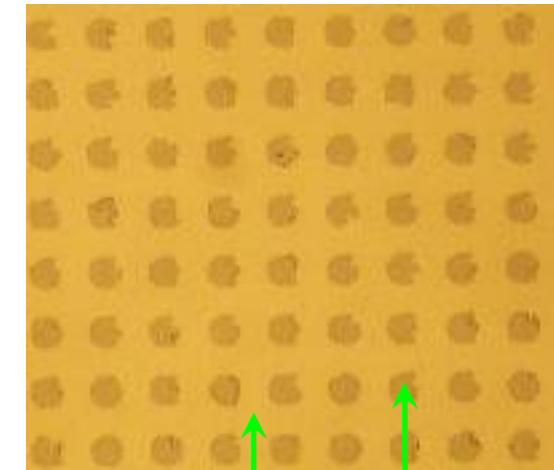
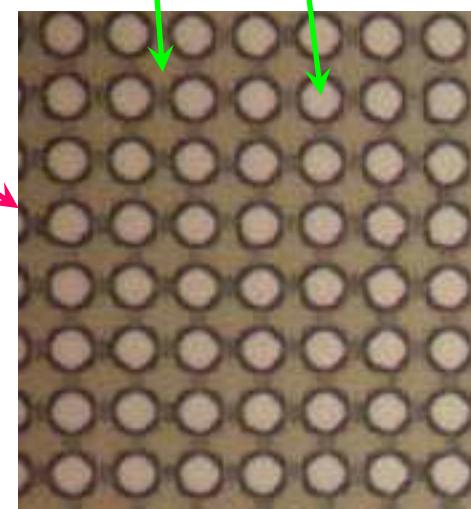
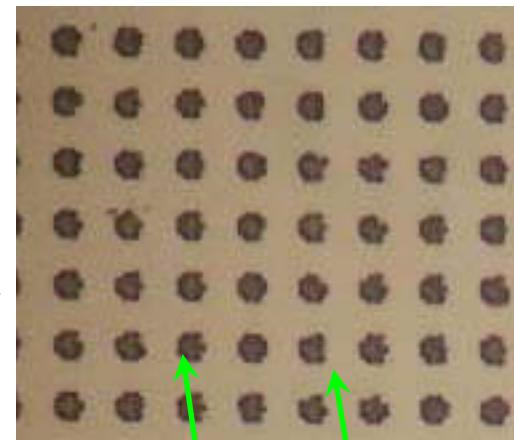
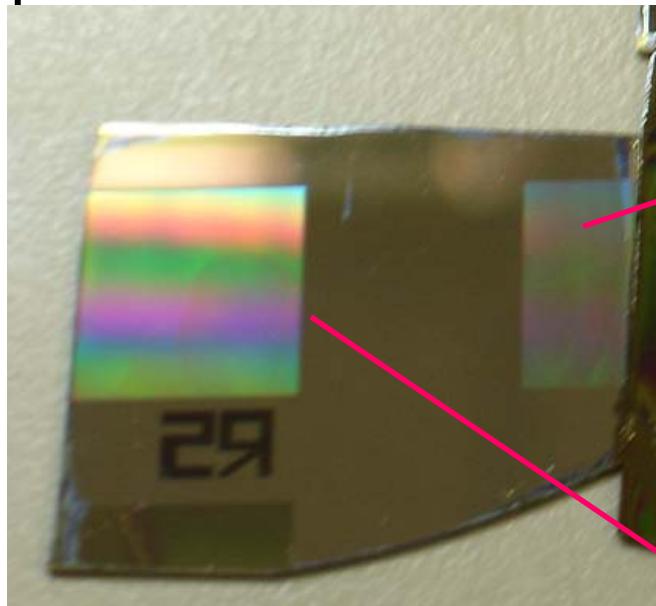
Ti 50 nm  
LIFT OFF



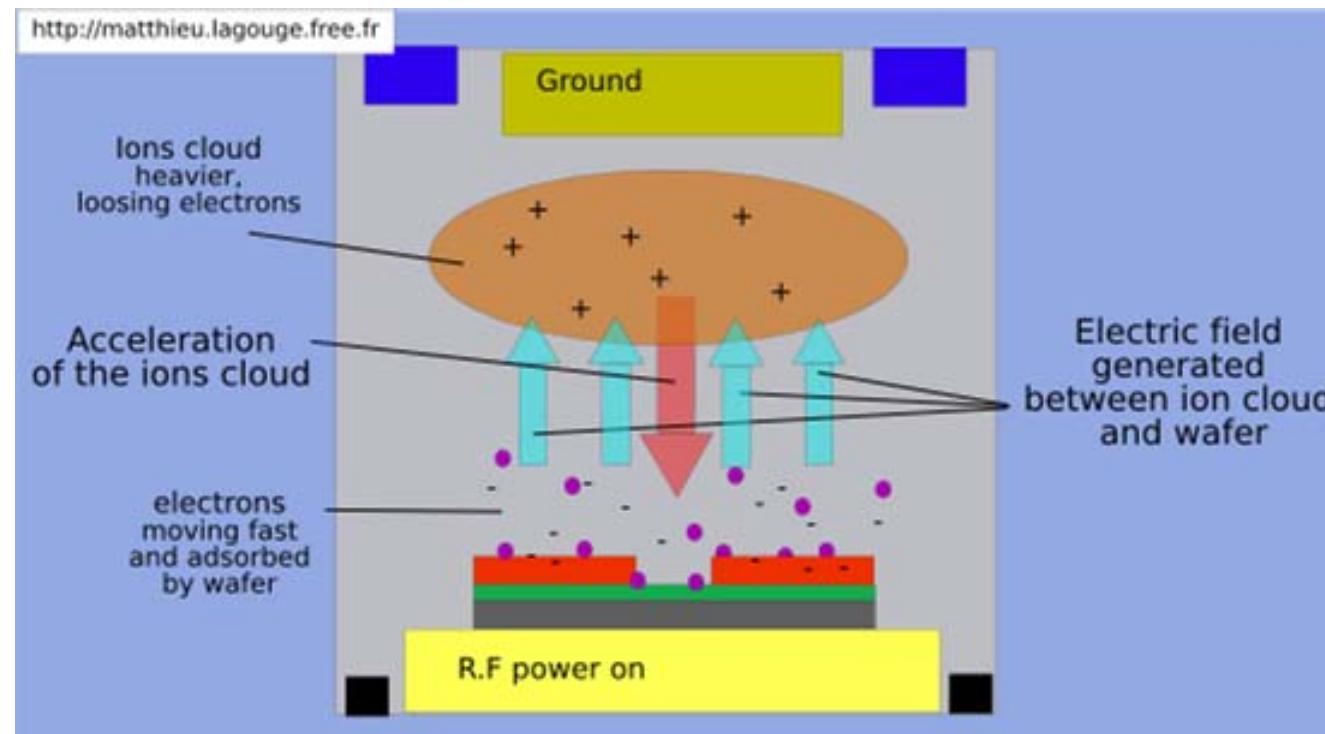
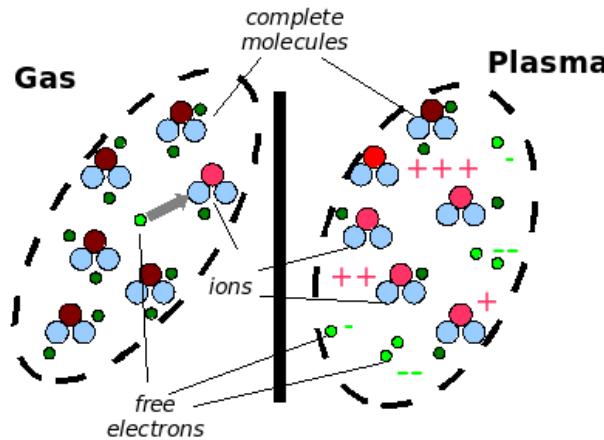
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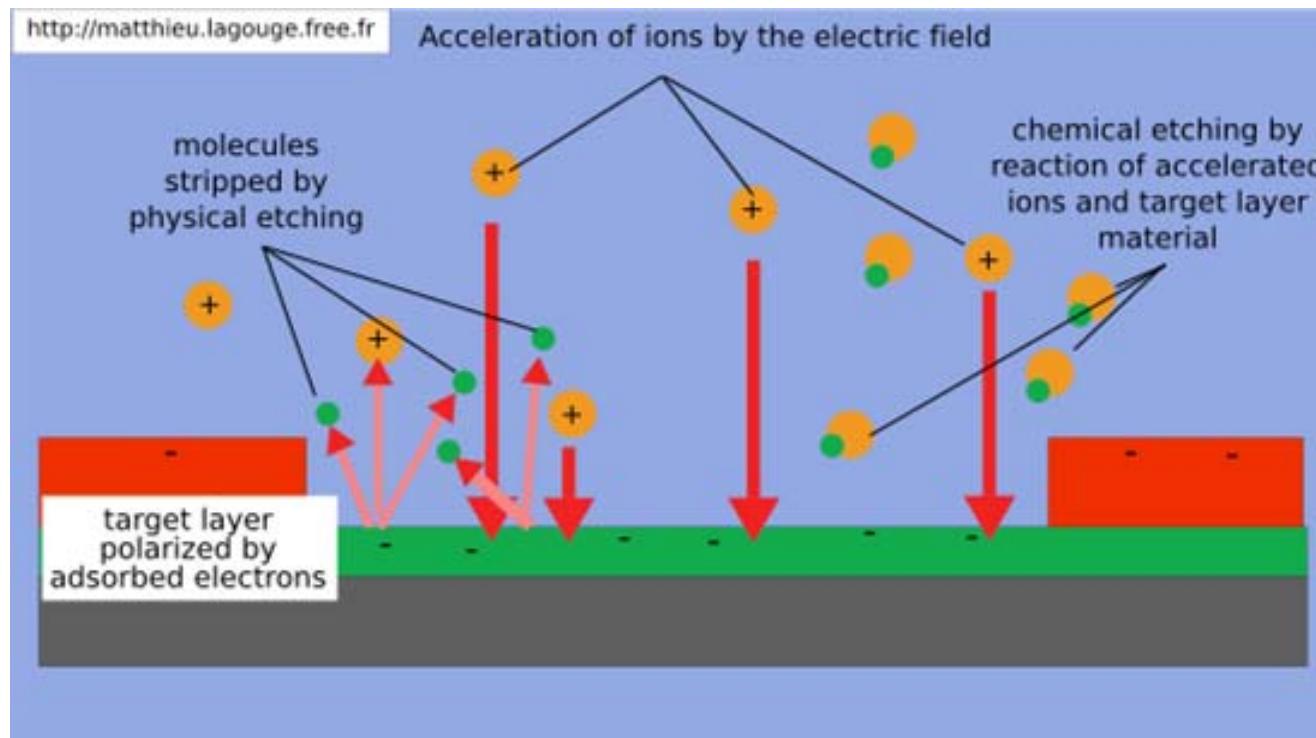
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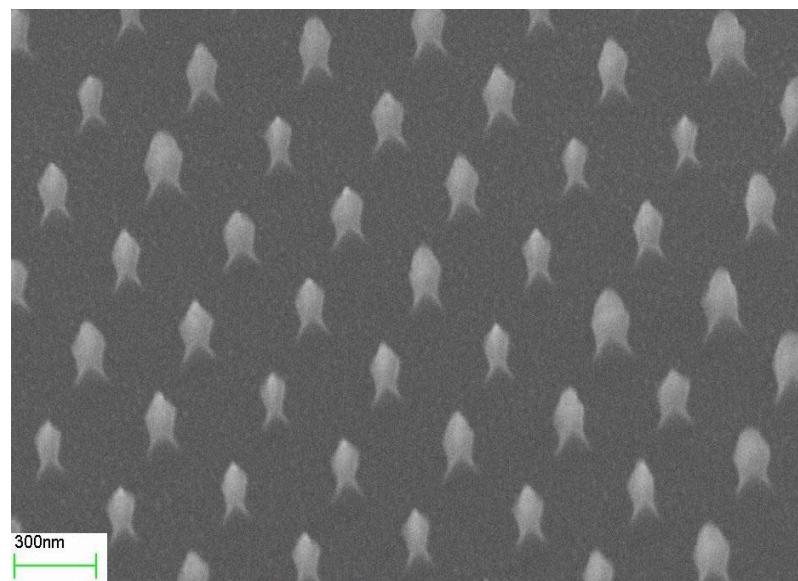
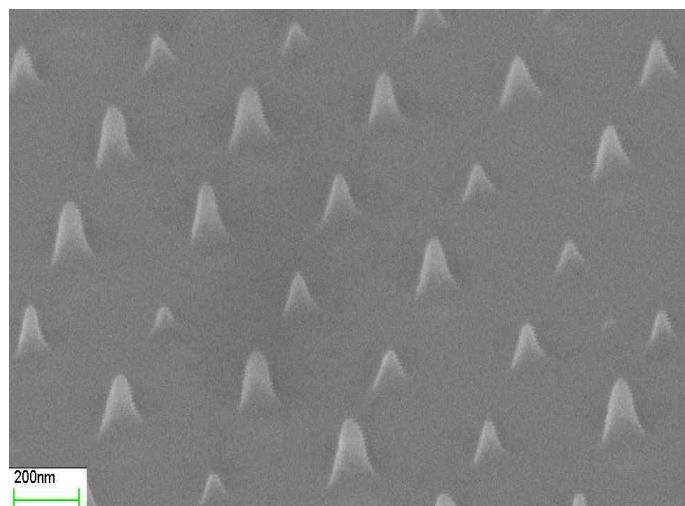
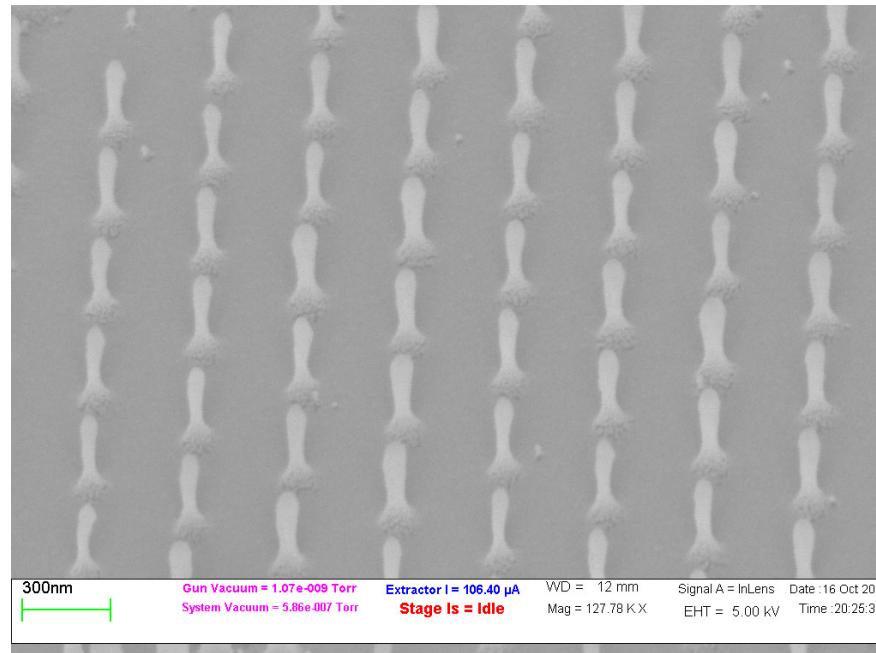
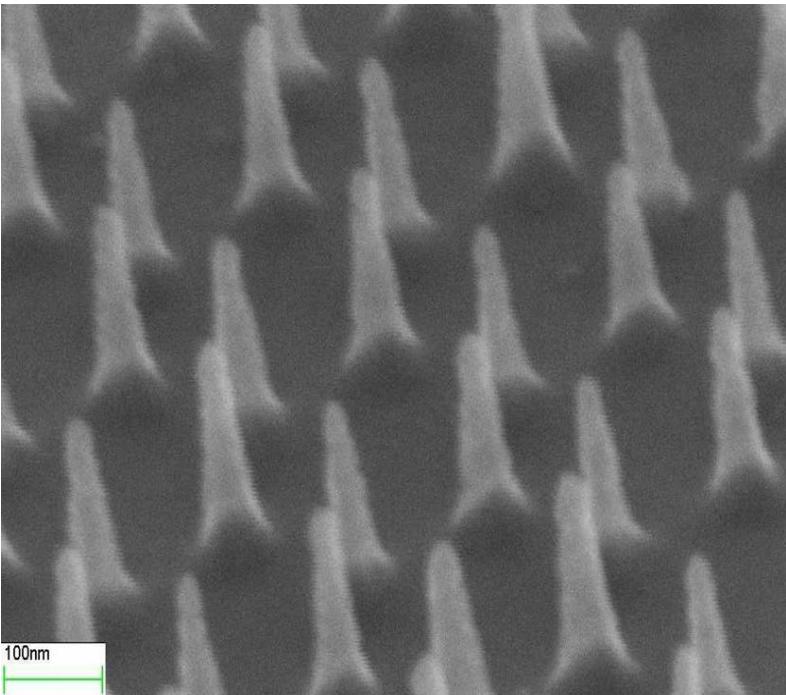


# Reactive Ion Etching



# Reactive Ion Etching

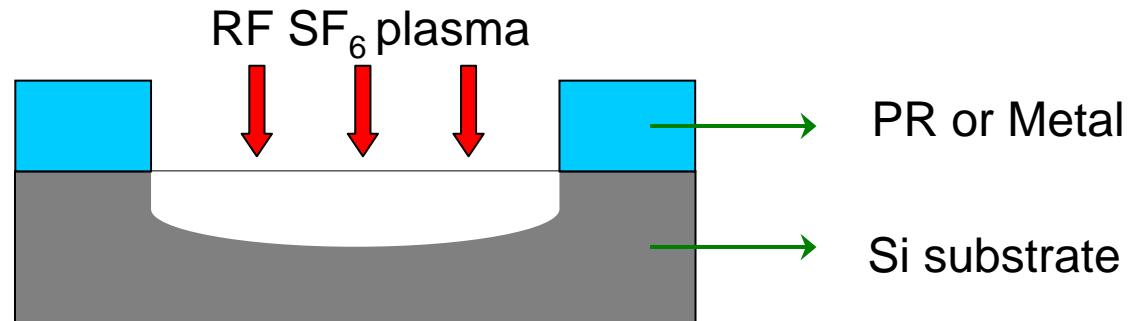




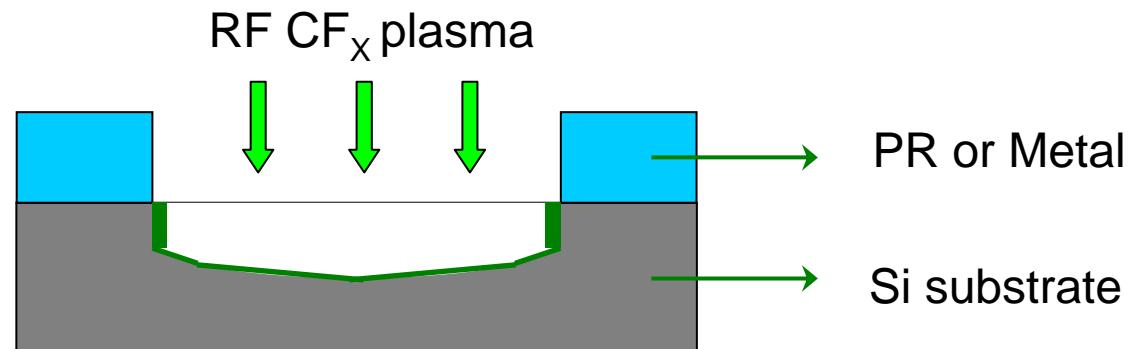
# ICP- "BOSCH" Recipe

## Etching & Sidewall Passivation Cycle

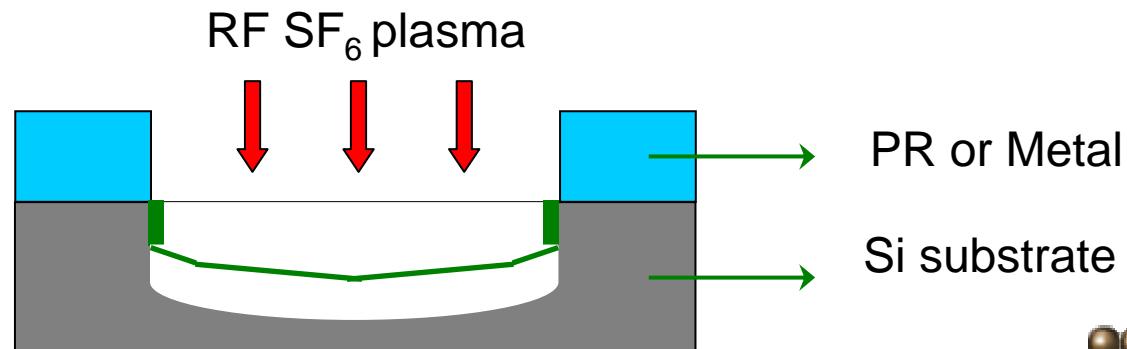
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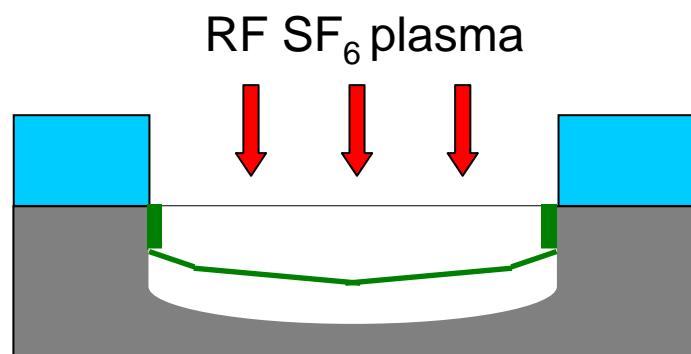
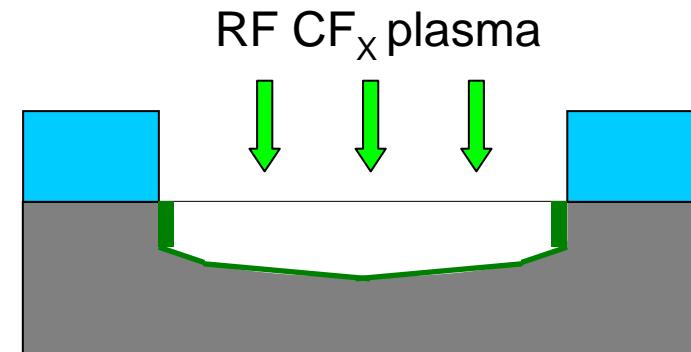
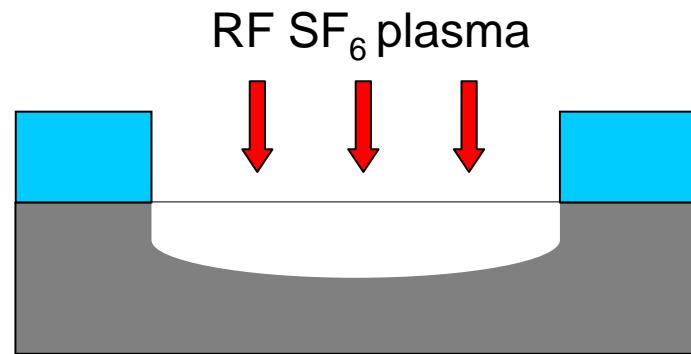


**(b) Passivate Step**



**(a') Etch Step**





## The gases in RCAS

**C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>8</sub>, CF<sub>4</sub>, CHF<sub>3</sub>, Ar, O<sub>2</sub>**

SAMCO ICP (RECIPE)  
Si etching    CF<sub>4</sub> / O<sub>2</sub> = 30 / 10

SiO<sub>2</sub> ( on Si )CHF<sub>3</sub> / Ar = 15 / 30

## The gases in NEMSRC

**SF<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>8</sub>, CF<sub>4</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>**

### RECIPE

TIME  
Etch: 11.5 s

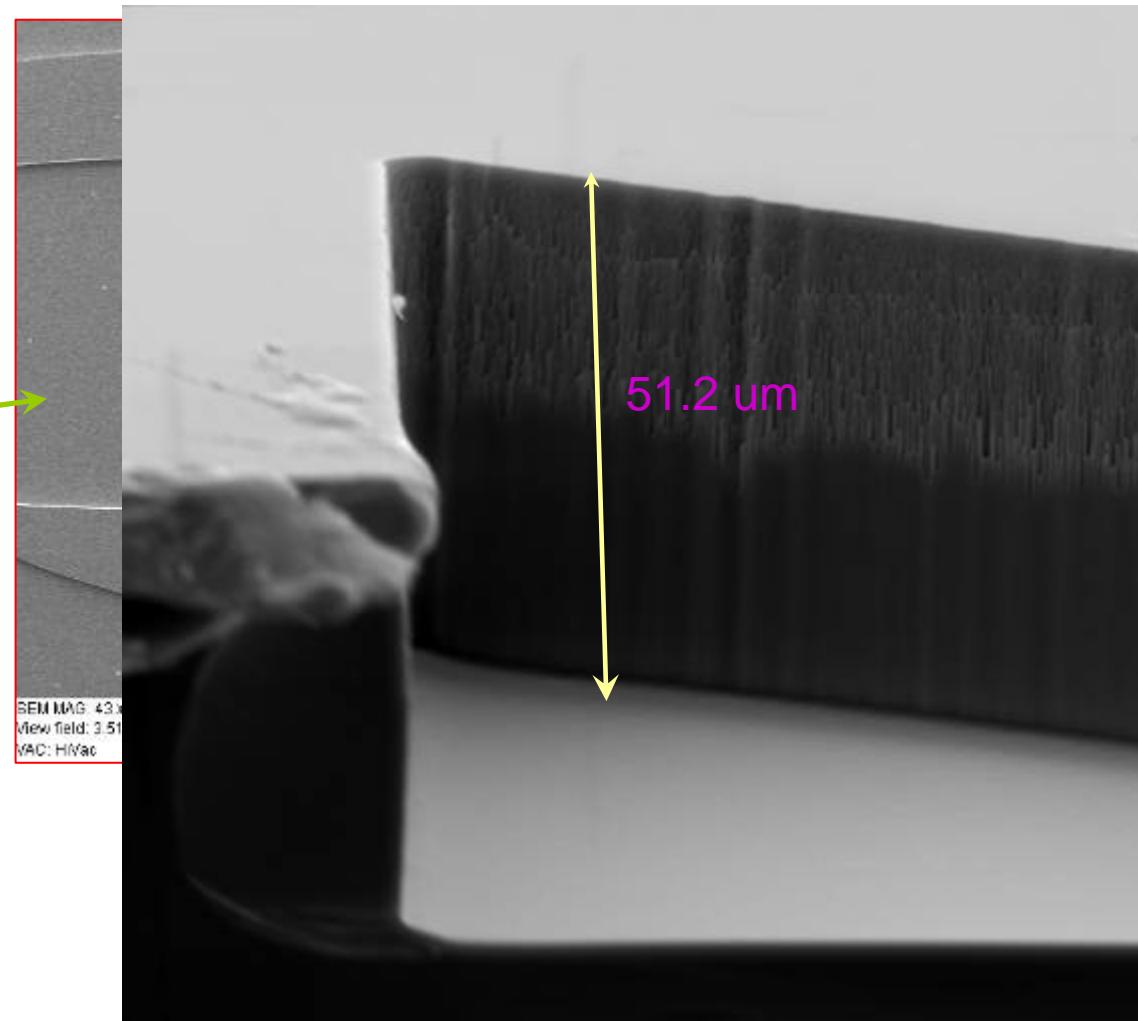
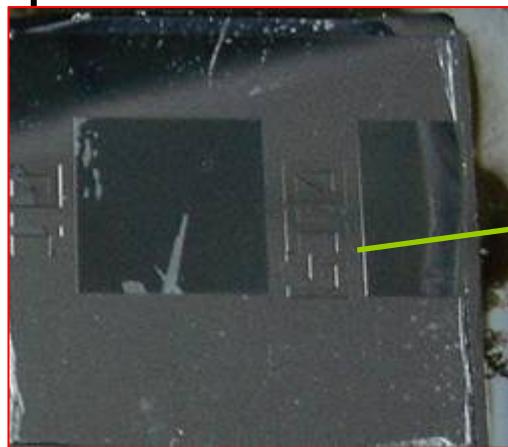
SF<sub>6</sub>(130sccm) O<sub>2</sub>(13sccm)

Passivate: 7s

C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>8</sub>(85sccm)



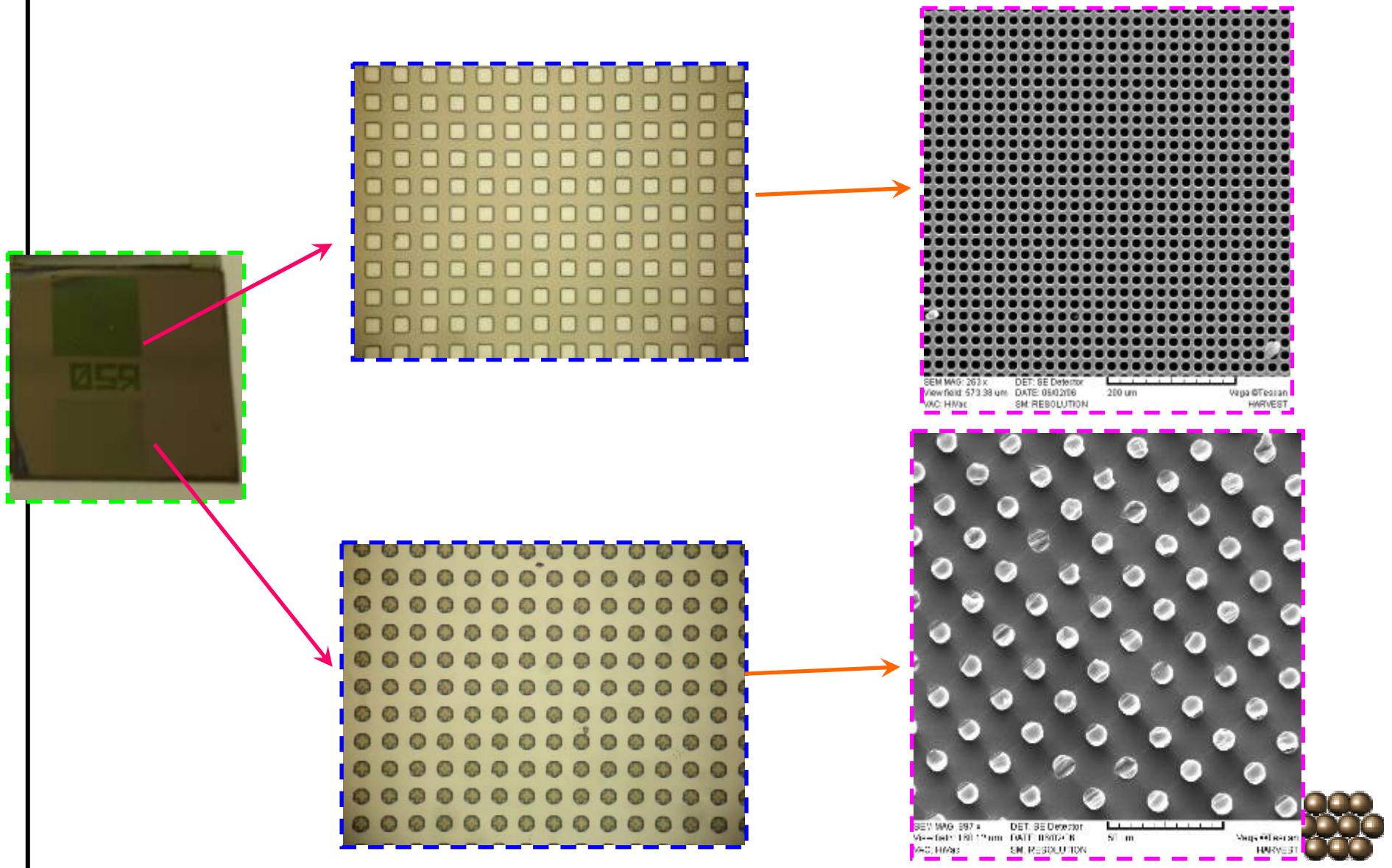
# NEMSRC ICP



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# Si ---S1813---ICP



# NEMSRC ICP : S1813 on Si

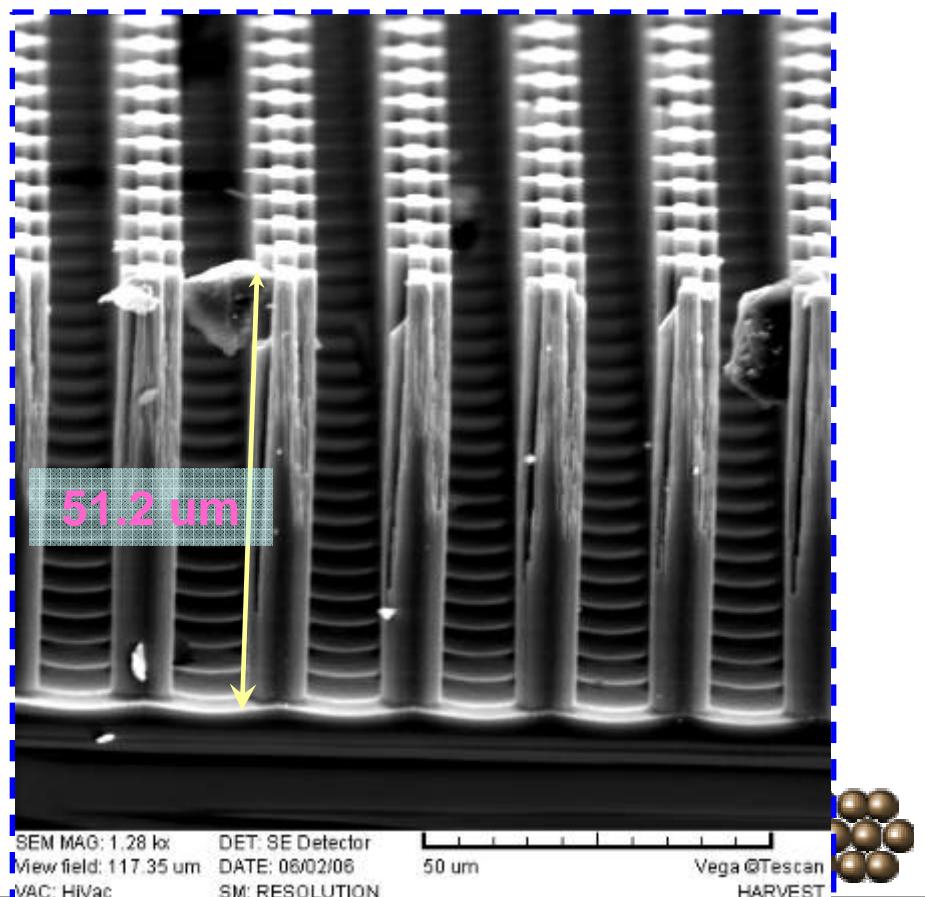
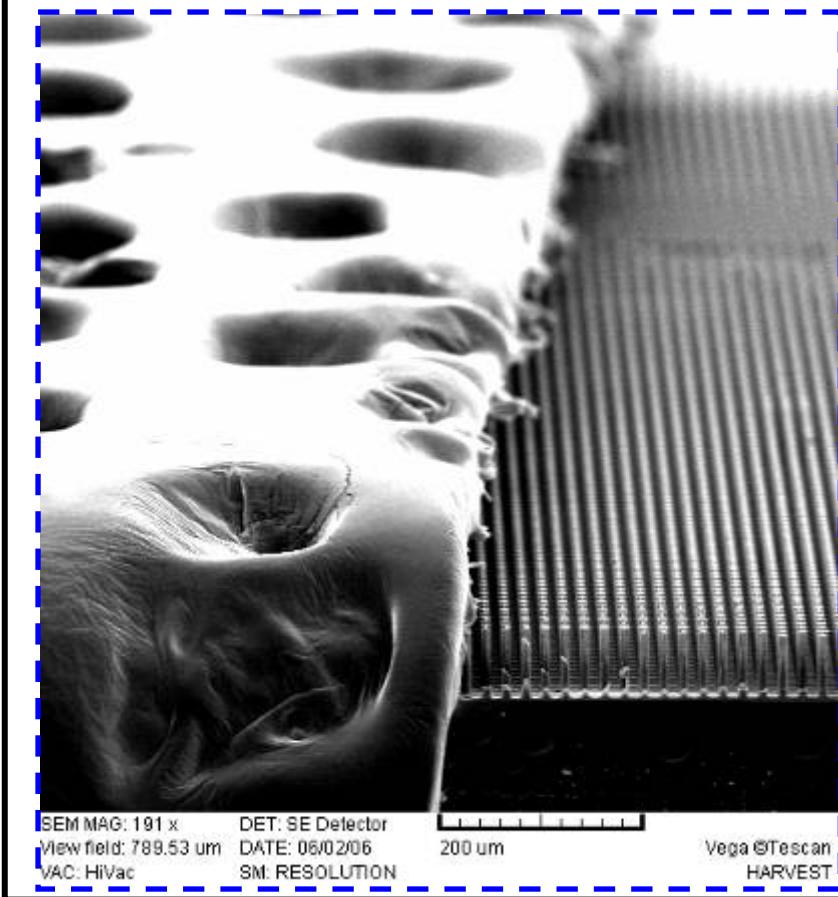
## The gases in NEMSRC

$SF_6$ ,  $C_4F_8$ ,  $CF_4$ ,  $O_2$

### RECIPE

#### TIME

Etch: 11.5 s  $SF_6$ (130sccm)  $O_2$ (13sccm)  
Passivate: 7s  $C_4F_8$ (85sccm)



# NEMSRC ICP : S1813 on Si --20 $\mu$ m array

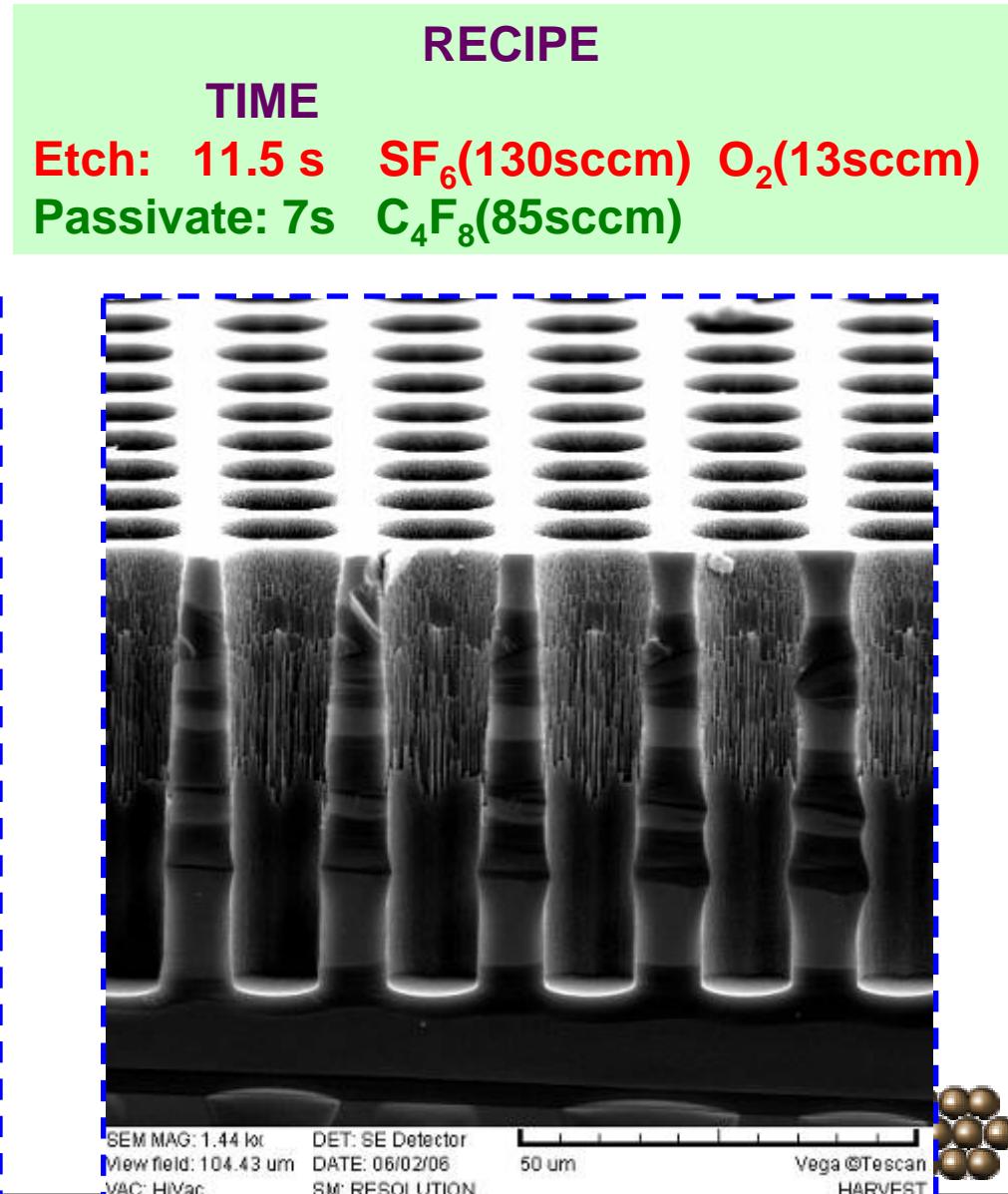
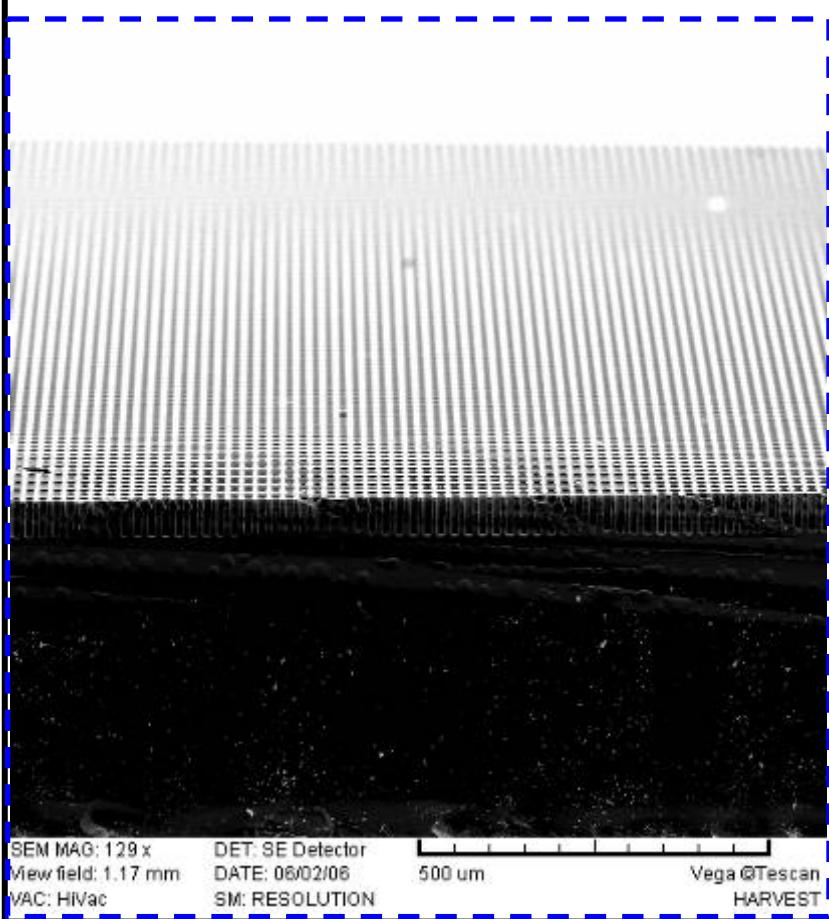
## The gases in NEMSRC

$SF_6$ ,  $C_4F_8$ ,  $CF_4$ ,  $O_2$

### RECIPE

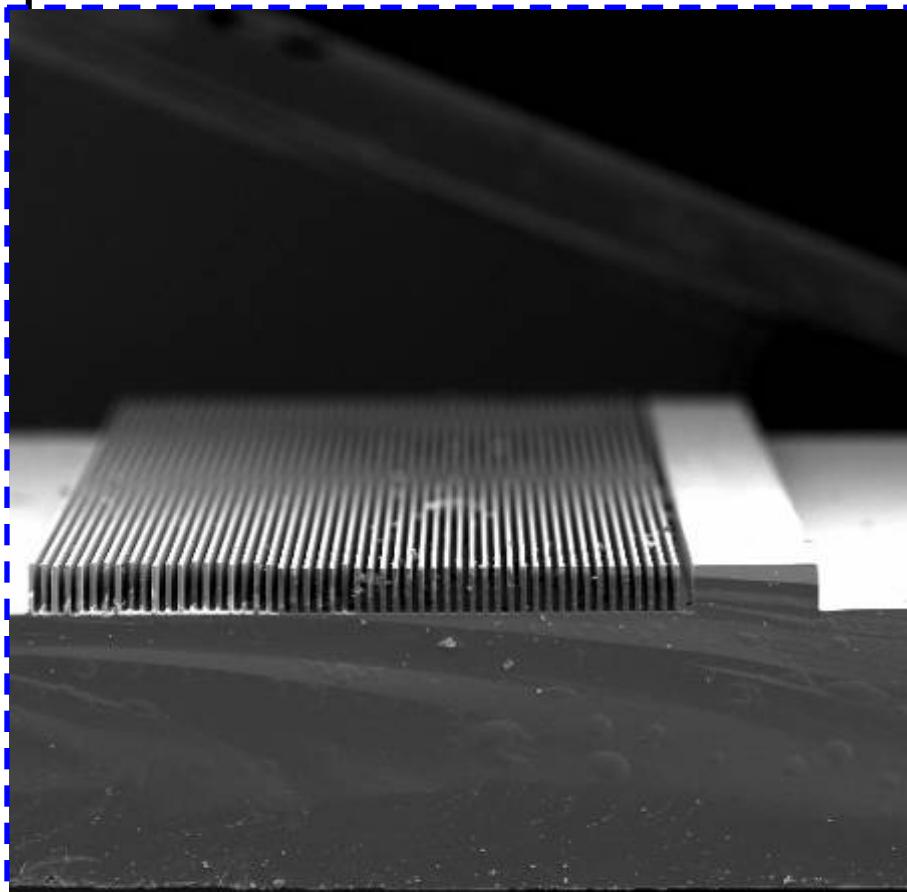
#### TIME

Etch: 11.5 s  $SF_6$ (130sccm)  $O_2$ (13sccm)  
Passivate: 7s  $C_4F_8$ (85sccm)



# NEMSRC ICP

## Si 10 $\mu$ m Line

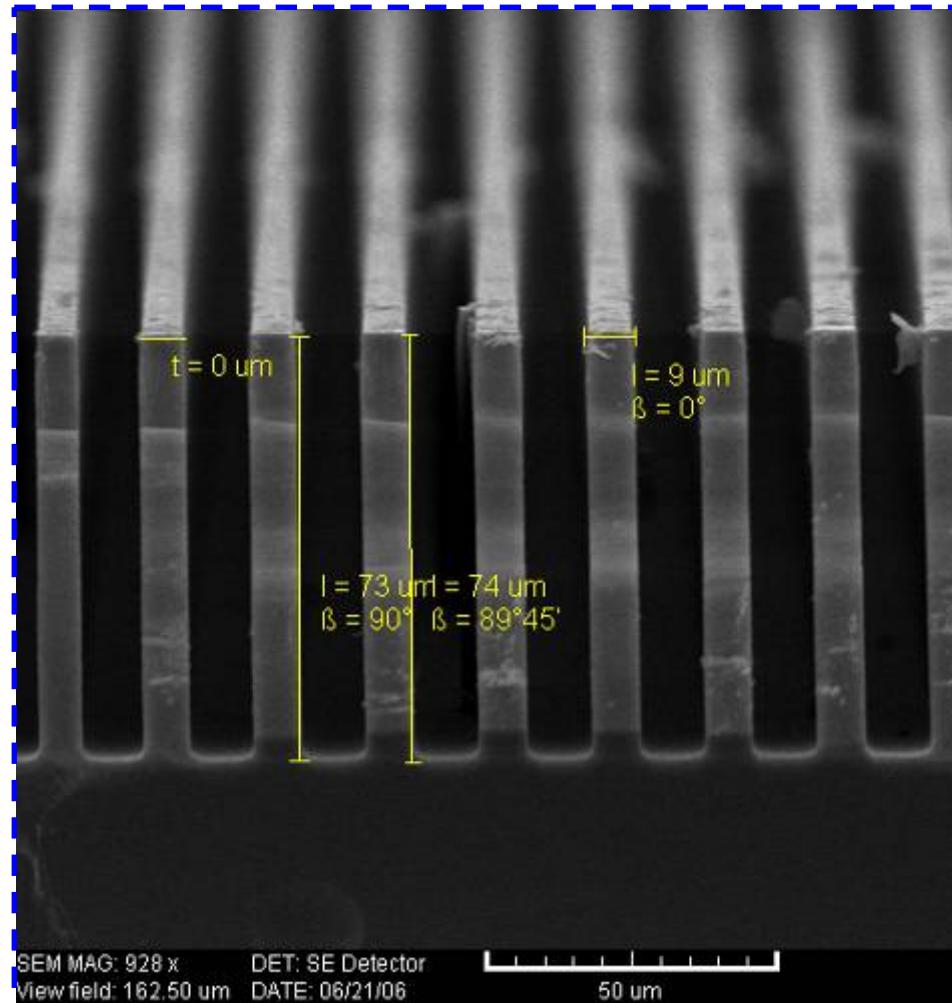


SEM MAG: 110 x  
View field: 1.37 mm  
VAC: HiVac

DET: SE Detector  
DATE: 06/21/06  
SM: RESOLUTION

500  $\mu$ m

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SEM MAG: 928 x  
View field: 162.50  $\mu\text{m}$

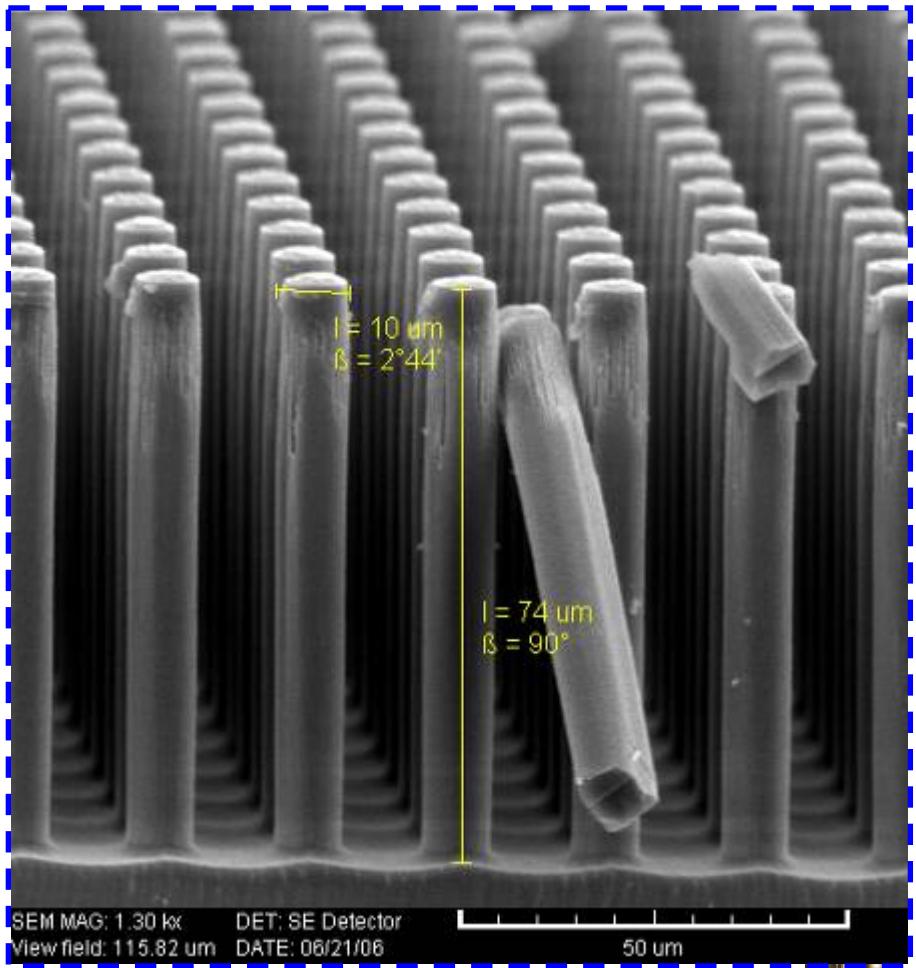
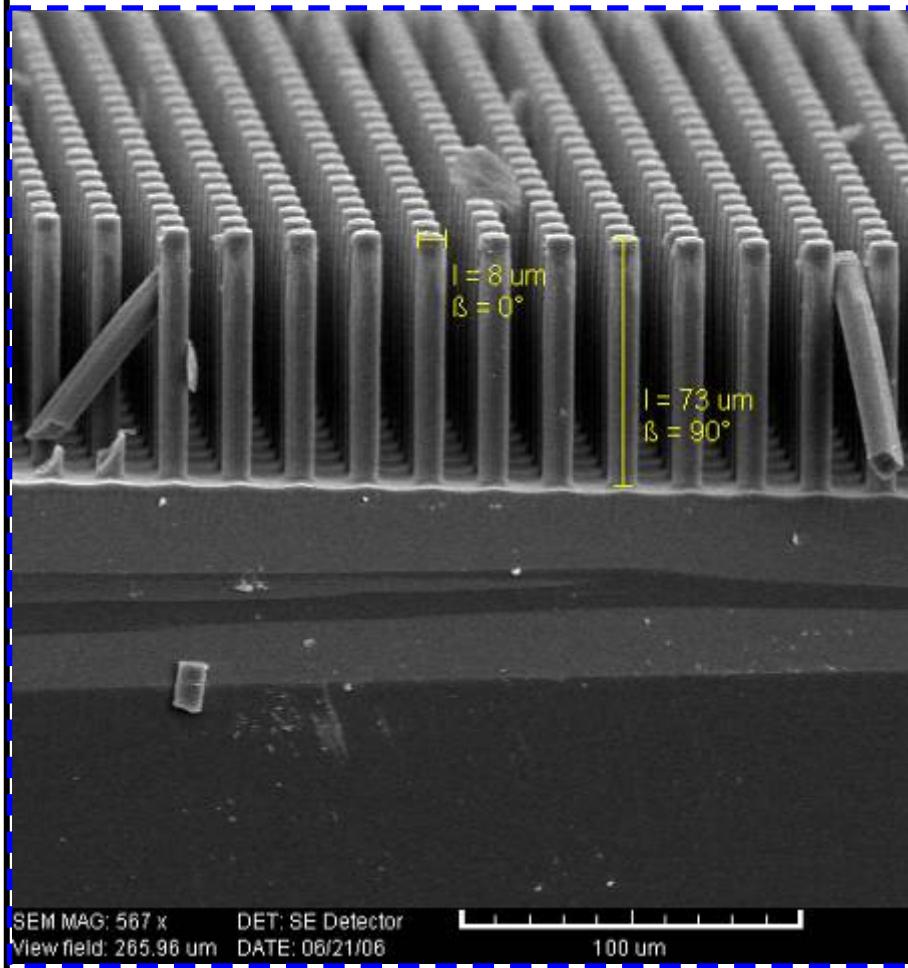
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50  $\mu\text{m}$

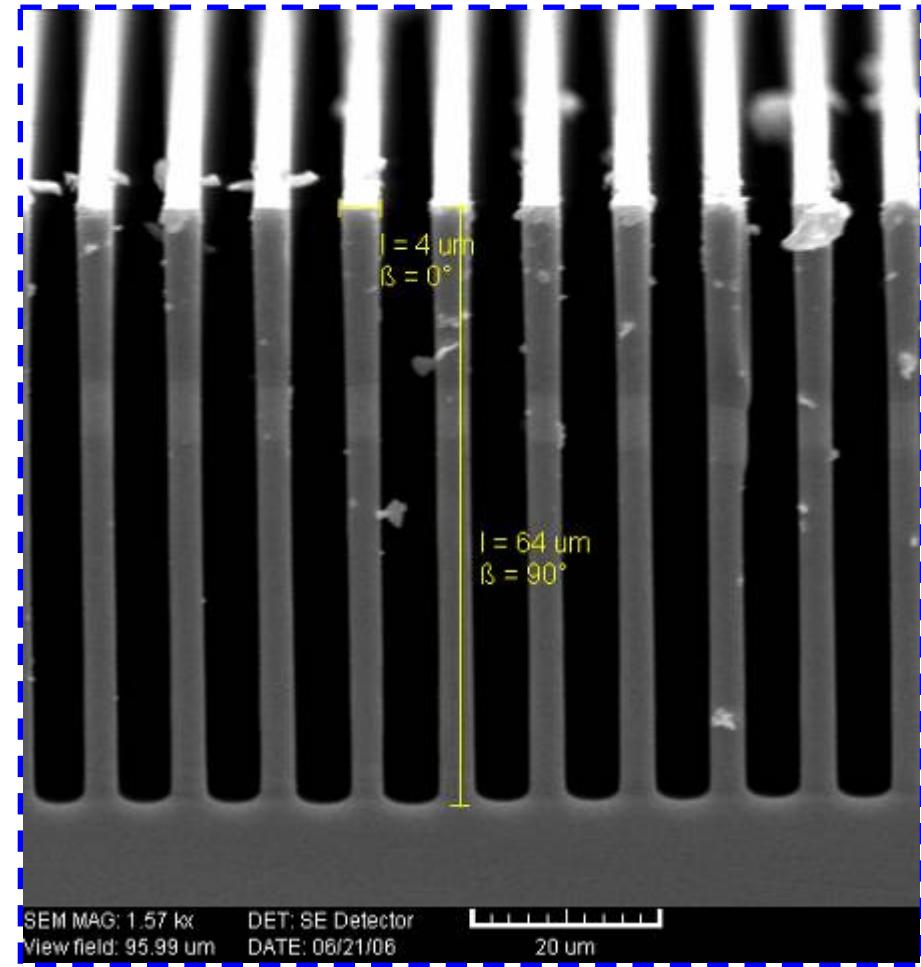
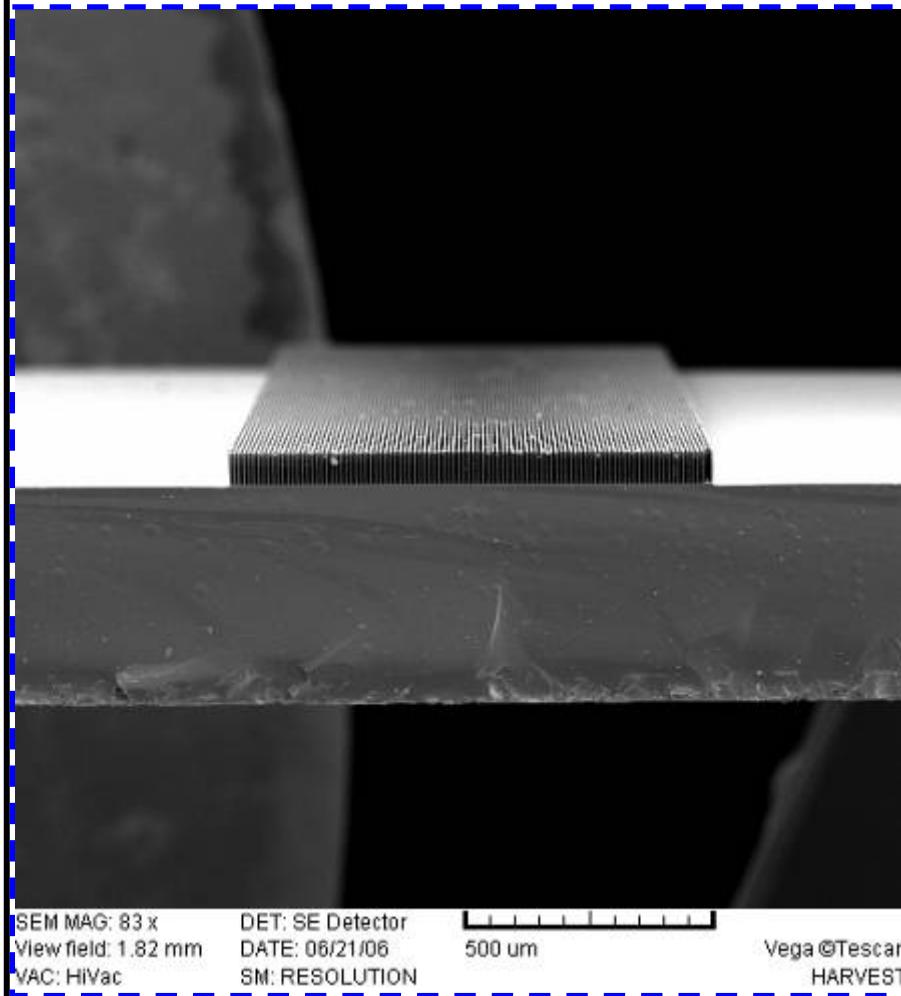


# NEMSRC ICP

## Si 10 $\mu\text{m}$ pillar



# Si 5um Line



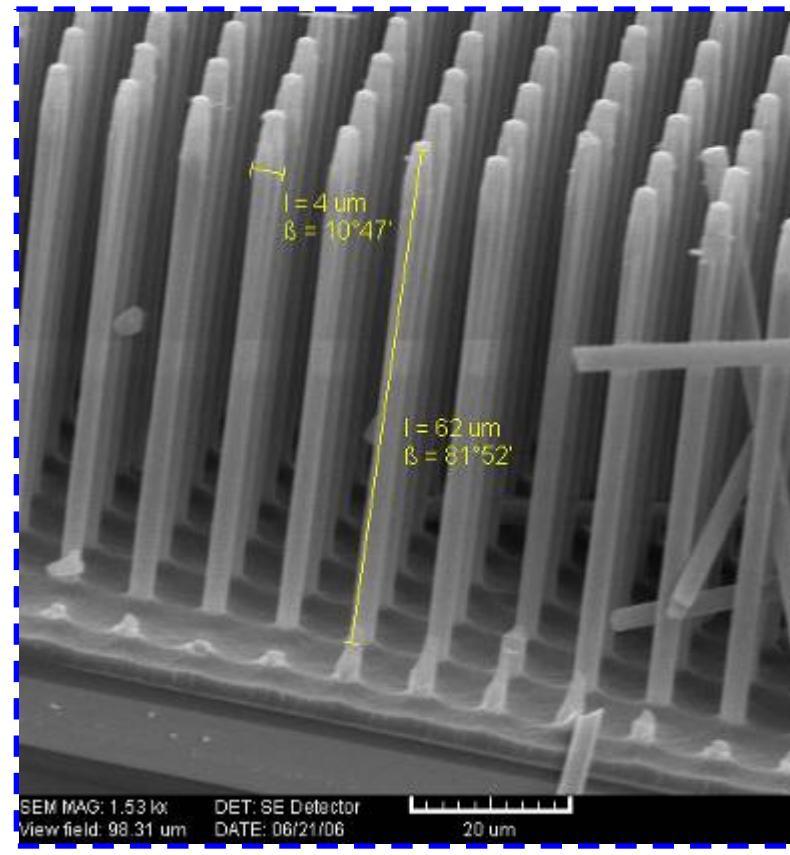
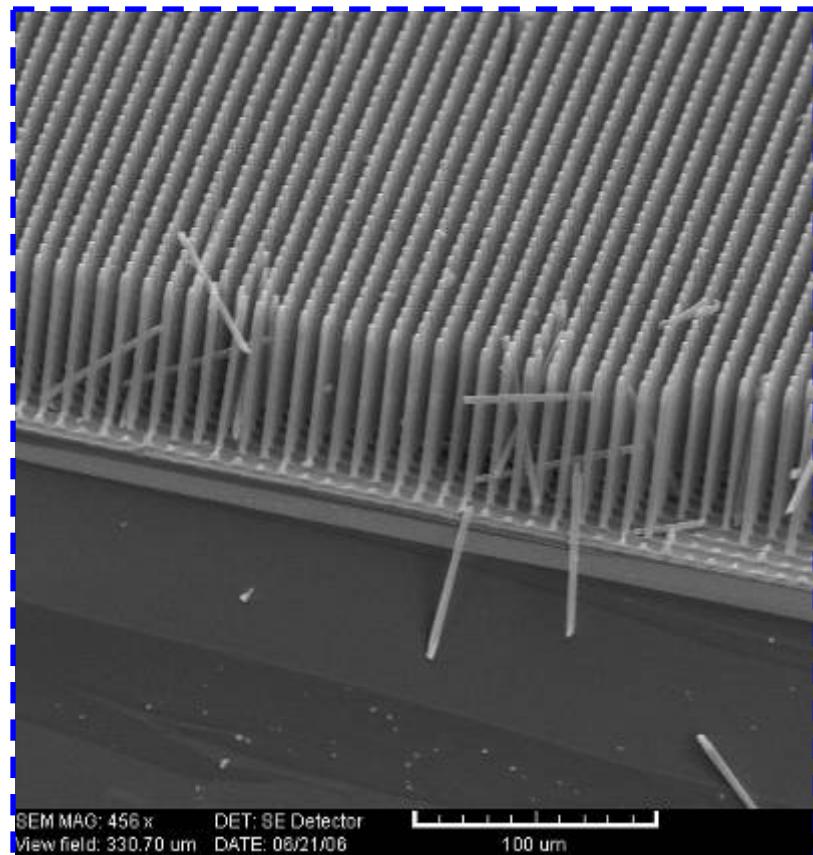
# NEMSRC ICP : S1813 on Si

5 um pillar

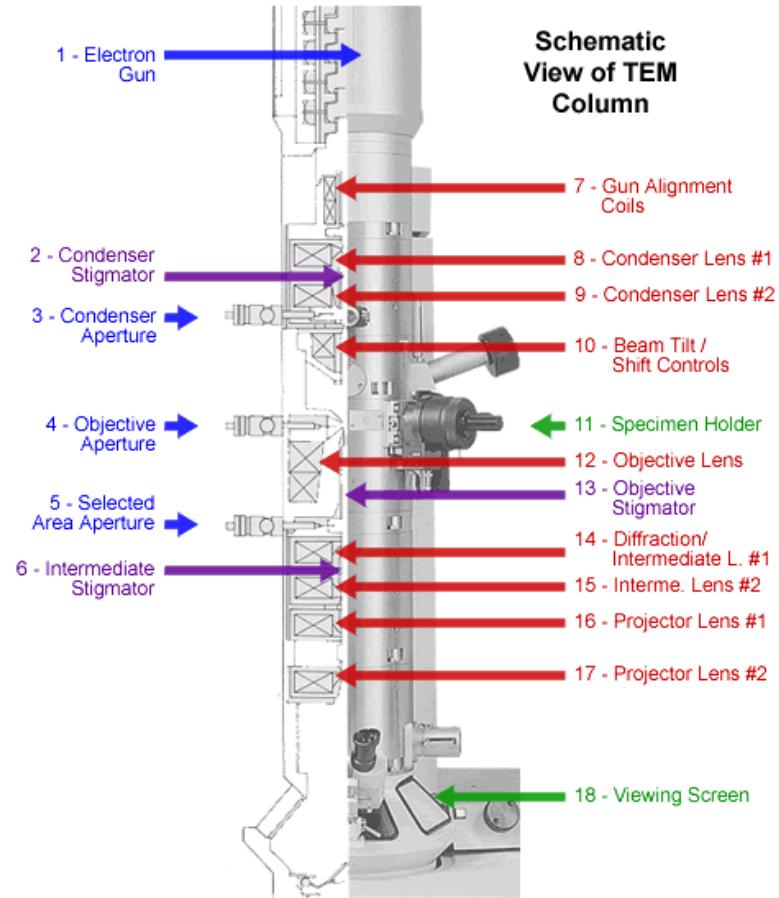
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$SF_6$ ,  $C_4F_8$ ,  $CF_4$ ,  $O_2$

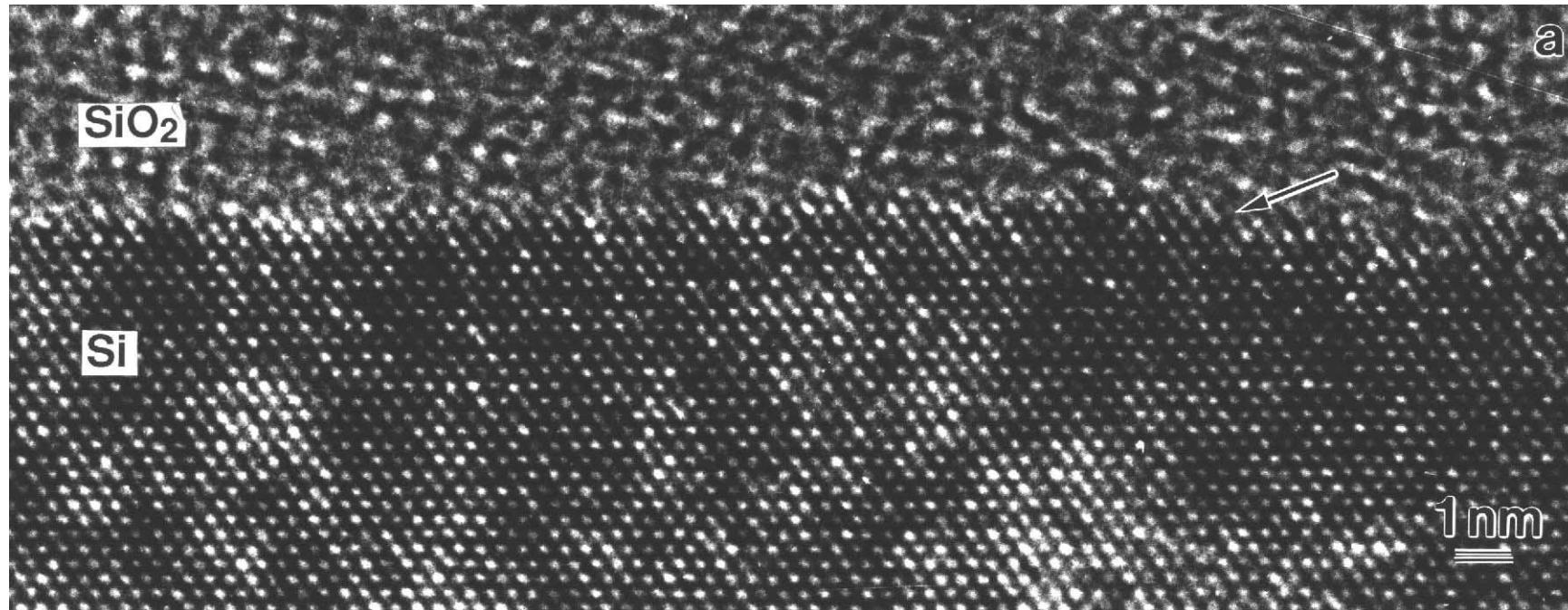
RECIPE	TIME
$SF_6(130\text{sccm})$	Etch: 11.5 s
$C_4F_8(85\text{sccm})$	Passivate: 7s



# Electron Microscope



# TEM Image



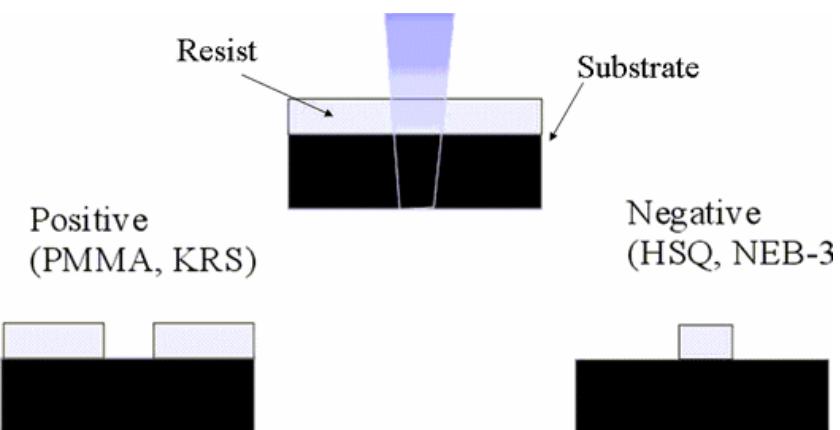
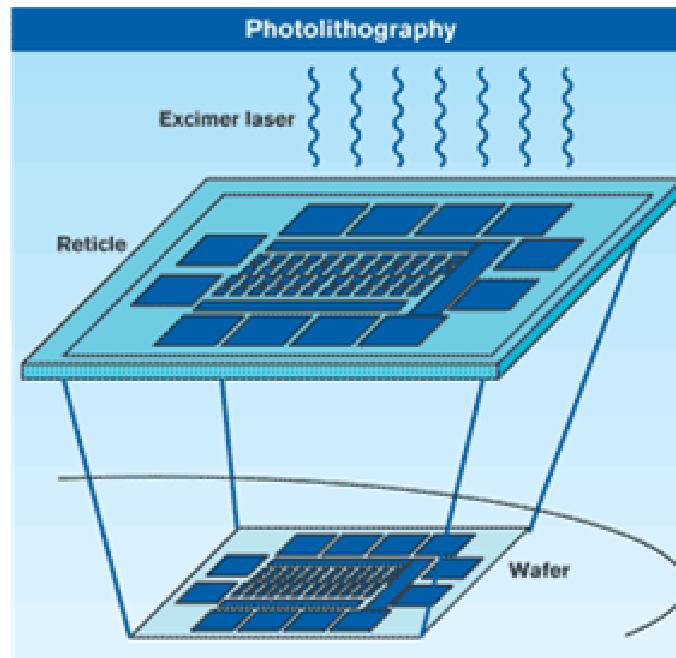
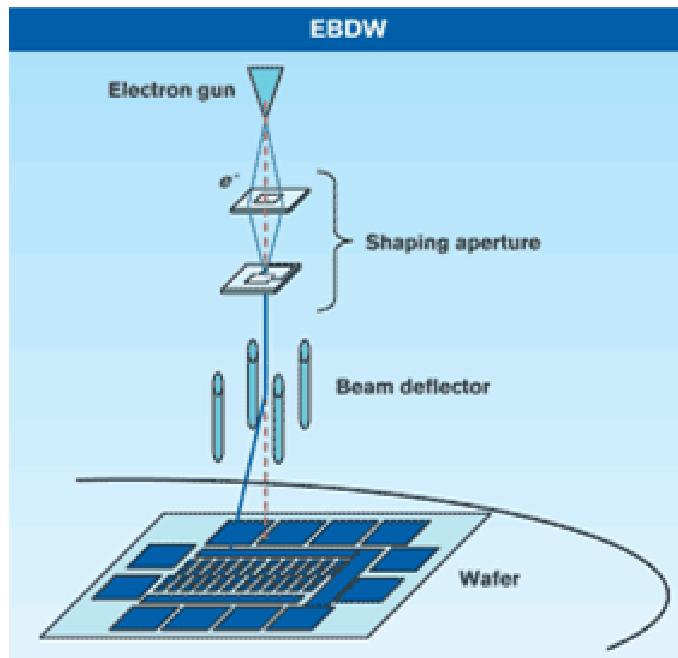
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$$\lambda = h/p = h/mv = h/\sqrt{2meV}$$

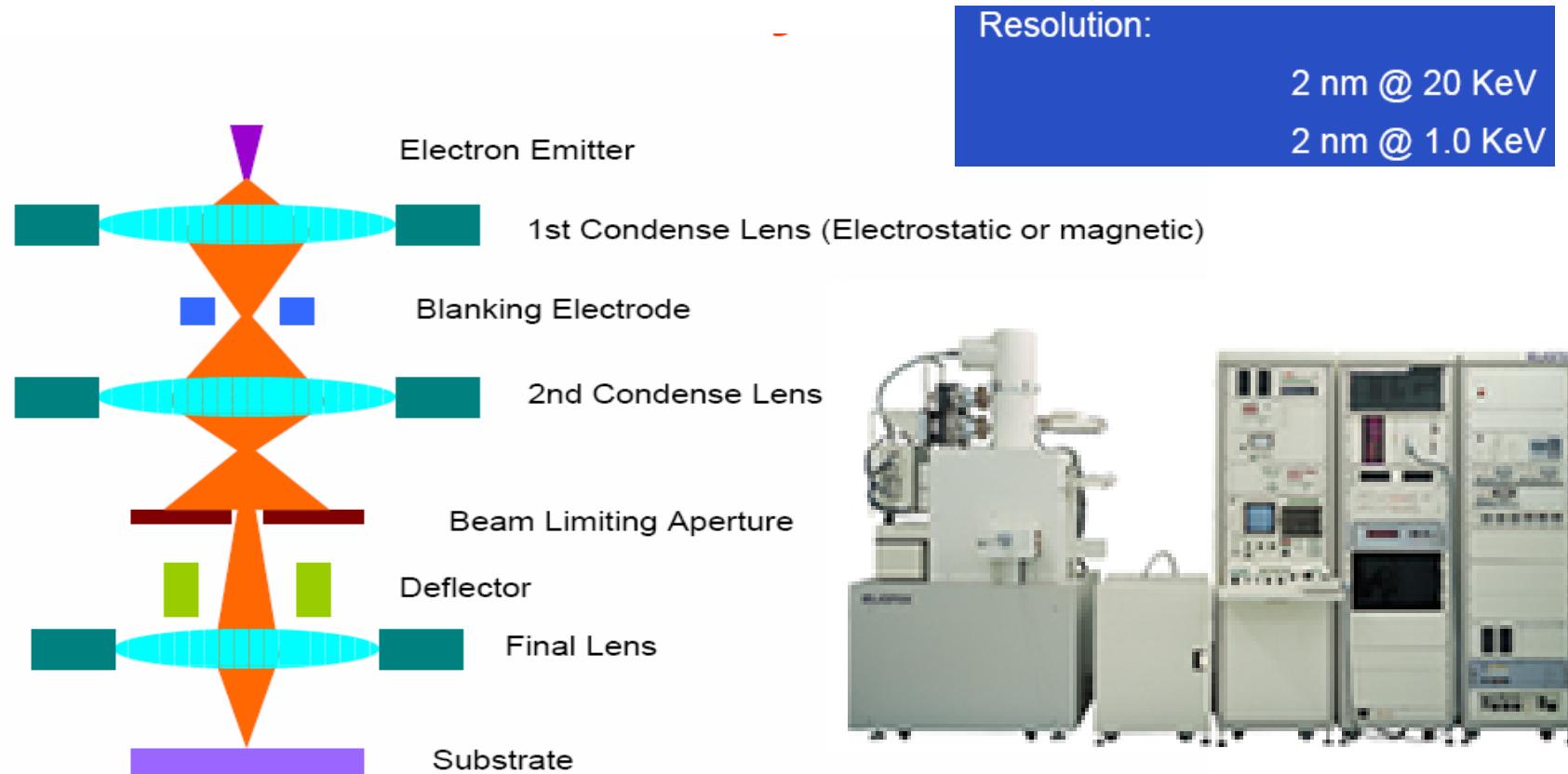


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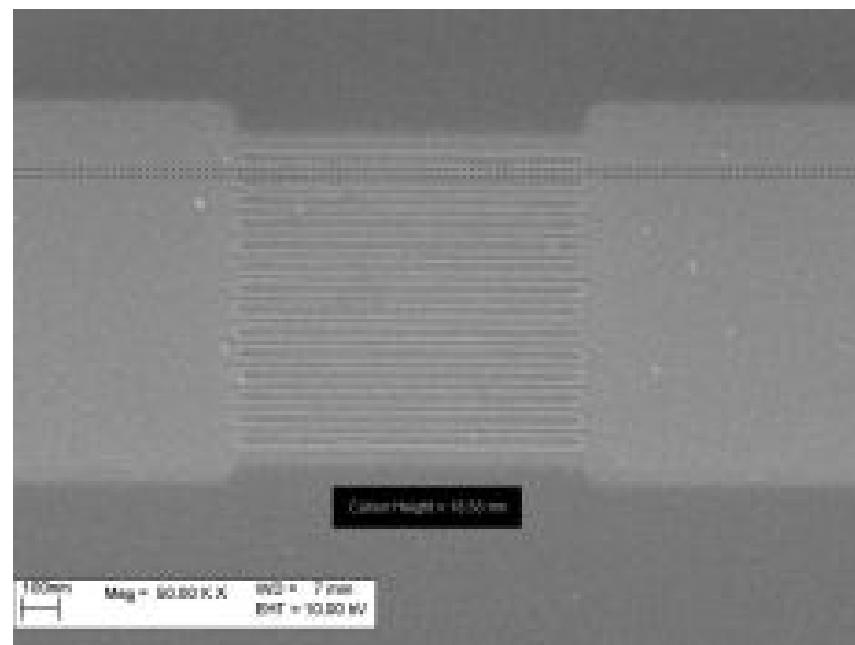
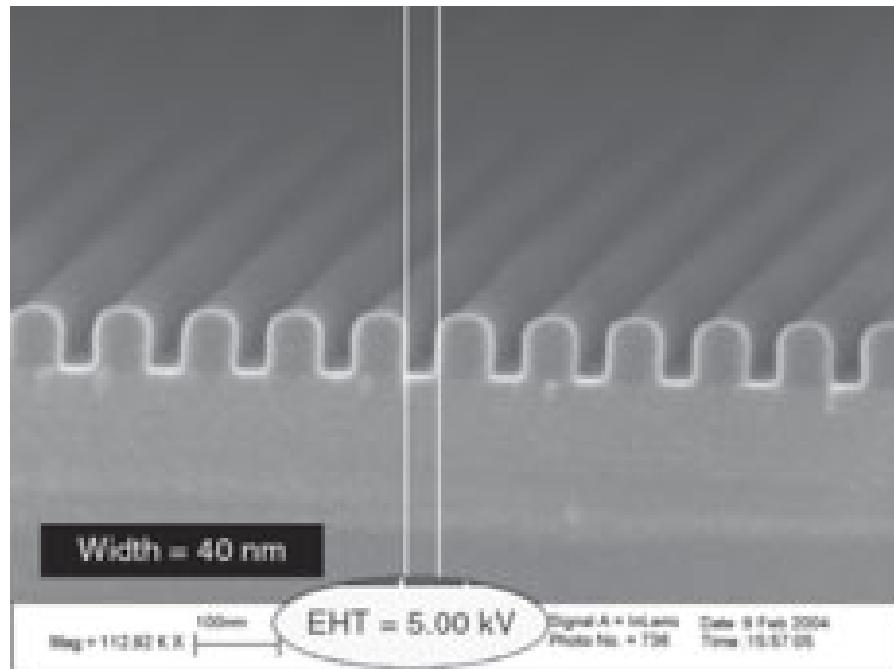
## E-Beam Direct Writing (EBDW)



# E-Beam Lithography



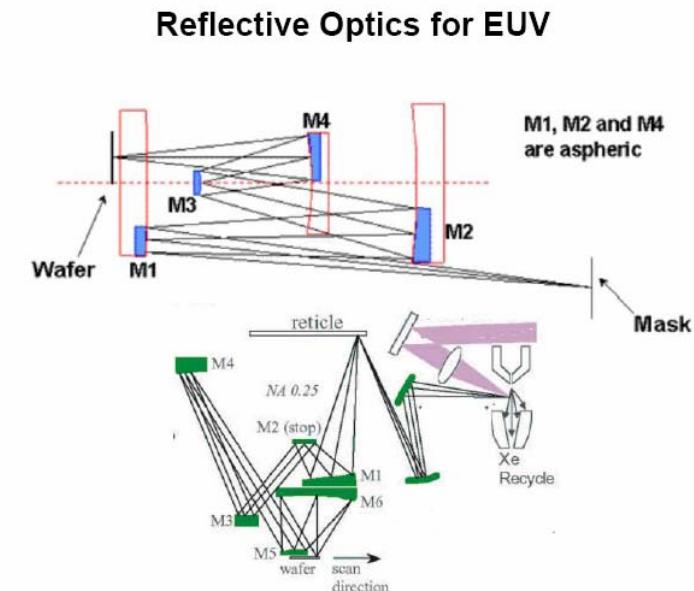
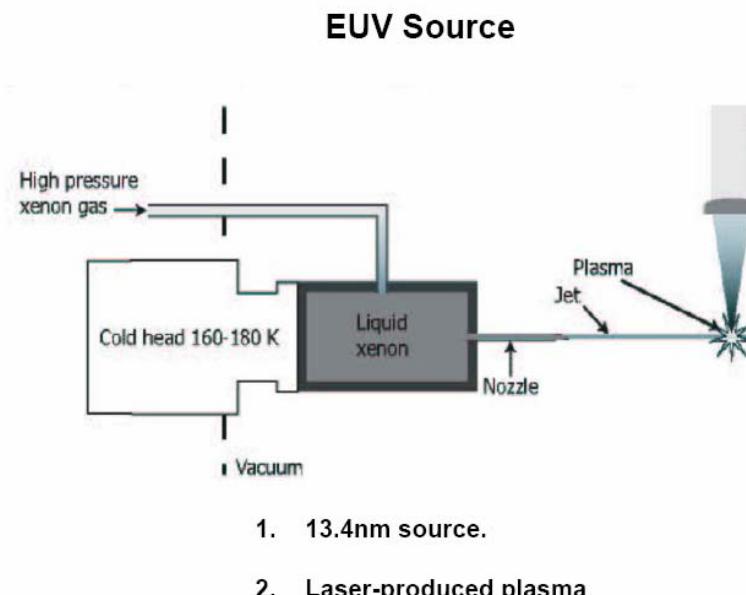
# E-beam Writer



Better than 10 nm lines over 4 inch wafer



# EUV System



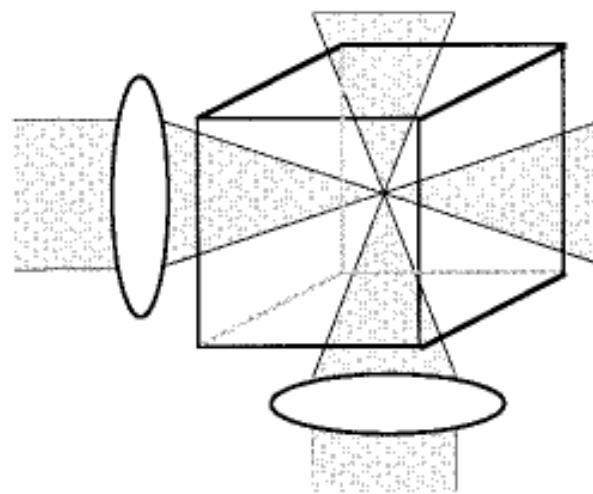
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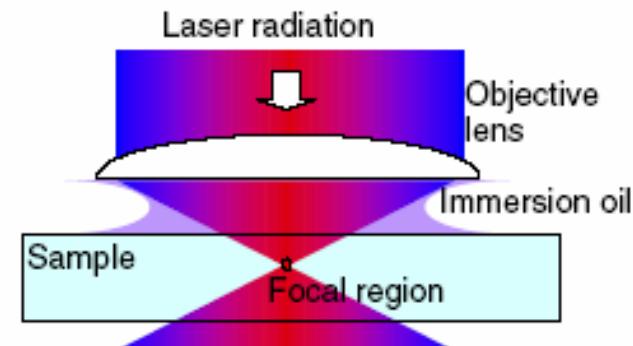
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	2mm	4mm	10mm	20mm	40mm
min. structure size [µm]	0.6	1.0	2.5	5.0	10.0
address resolution [nm]	20	40	100	200	400
writing speed [mm <sup>2</sup> /min]	1.5	5.7	36	119	416
line width uniformity, 3σ [nm]	80	100	220	440	880
edge roughness, 3σ [nm]	60	80	120	180	280



# Two Photon Writing



(a)



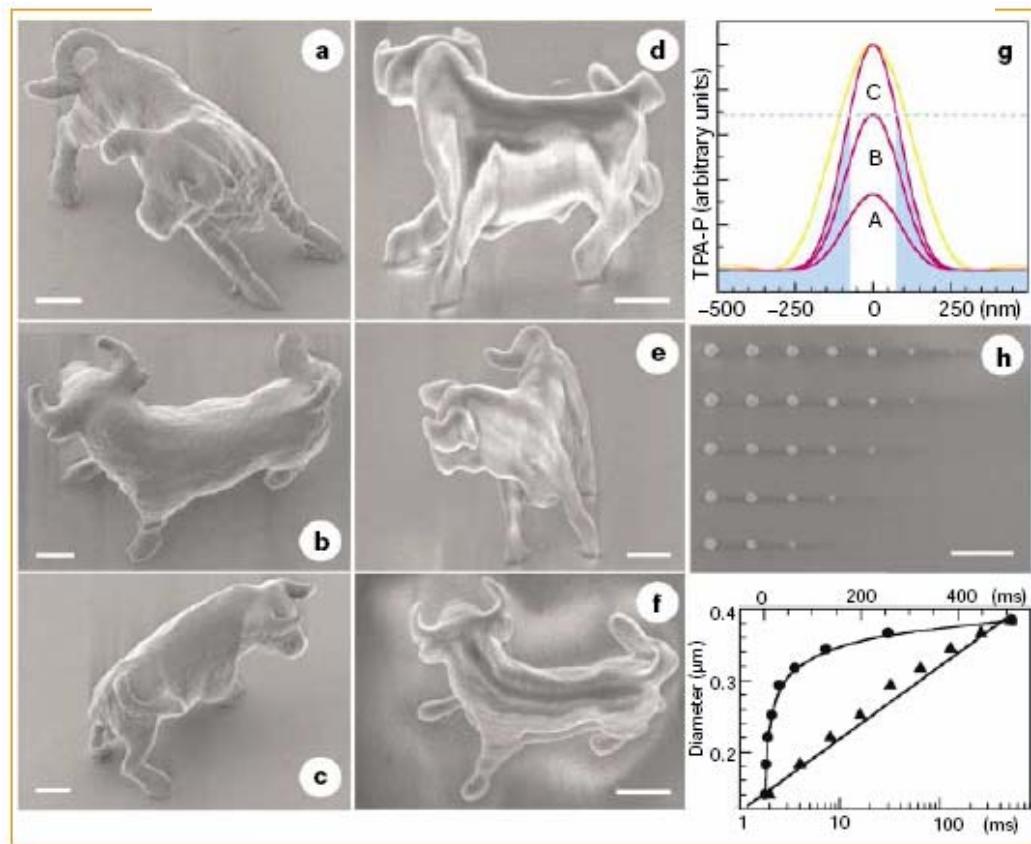
$$D(r) = w_0 \sqrt{2 \ln \left( \frac{I(r)}{I_{th}} \right) \frac{1}{N}},$$

$$L(z) = 2z_R \sqrt{\left( \frac{I(z)}{I_{th}} \right)^{\frac{1}{N}} - 1},$$



# Two Photon Writing

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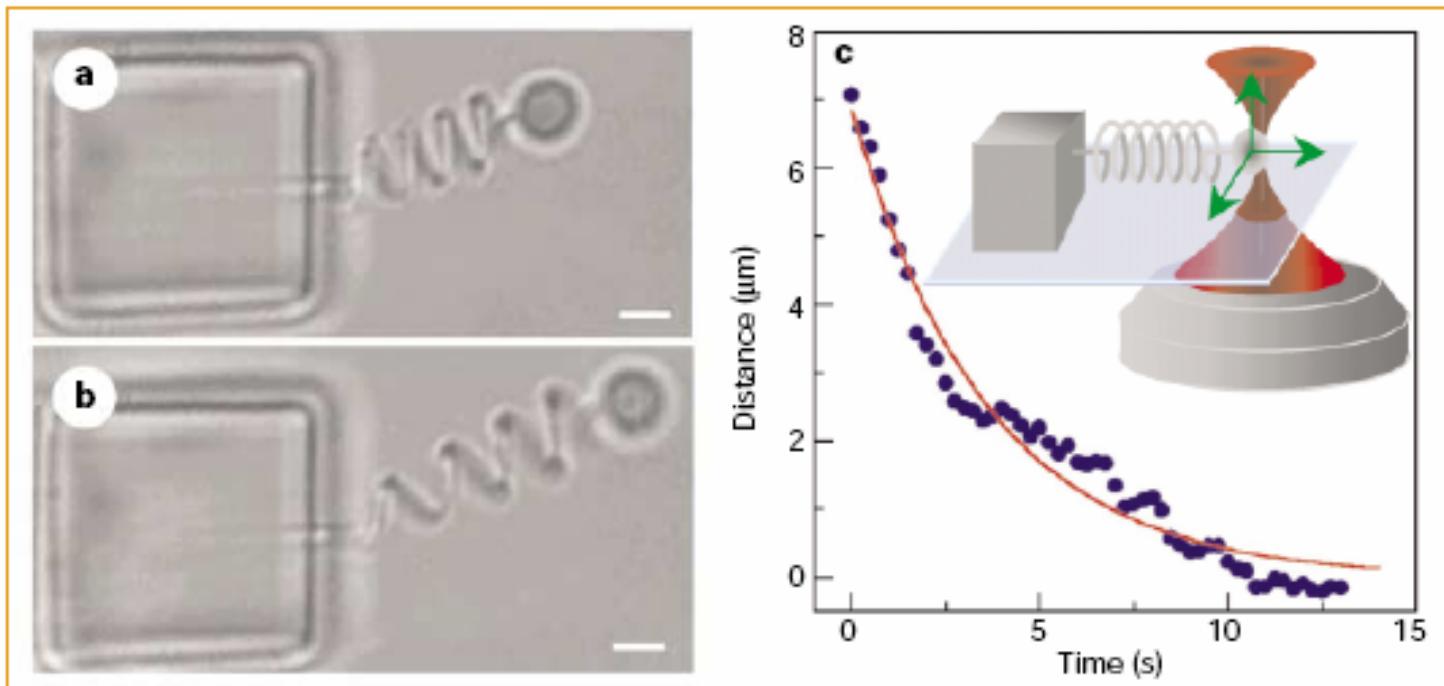


Figure 2 Functional micro-oscillator system, in which not only the spring but also the cubic anchor and the bead were produced using our two-photon absorption system. The oscillator was kept in ethanol so that the buoyancy would balance gravity and eliminate bead-substrate friction. a, b, The spring in its original (a) and extended (b) states. Scale bars, 2  $\mu$ m. c, Restoring curve of the damping oscillation; inset, diagram showing driving of the oscillator by using laser trapping.



# Interference

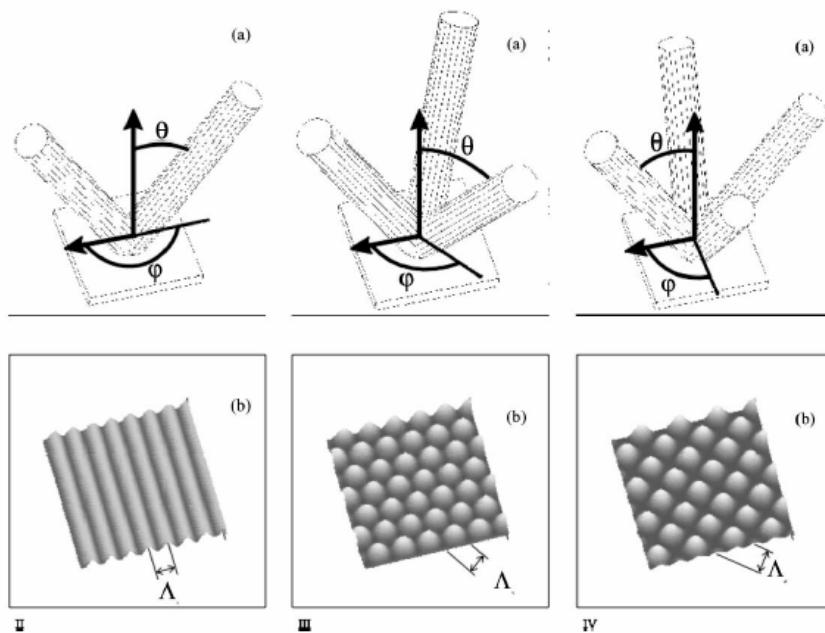


Fig. 1. The orientation of the two (left column), three (middle column) and four (right column) incident beams: (a) and the resulting interference patterns (b).

1. Two beams

$$I'_2 = I_1 + I_2 + 2 \cos(k(R_2 - R_1))$$

2. Three beams

$$I'_3 = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + 2[\cos(k(R_2 - R_1)) + \cos(k(R_3 - R_1)) + \cos(k(R_3 - R_2))]$$

3. Four beams

$$I'_4 = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 + 2[\cos(k(R_2 - R_1)) + \cos(k(R_3 - R_1)) + \cos(k(R_3 - R_2)) + \cos(k(R_4 - R_1)) + \cos(k(R_4 - R_2)) + \cos(k(R_4 - R_3))]$$



# Interference

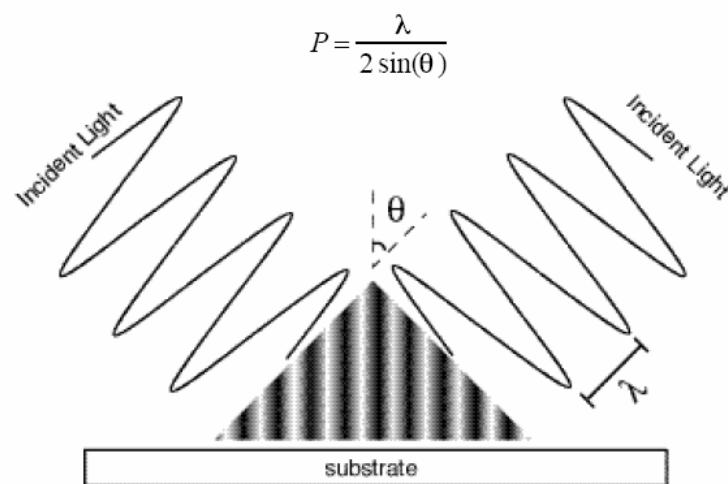


Figure 2.1: Two-beam interference forms a standing wave.

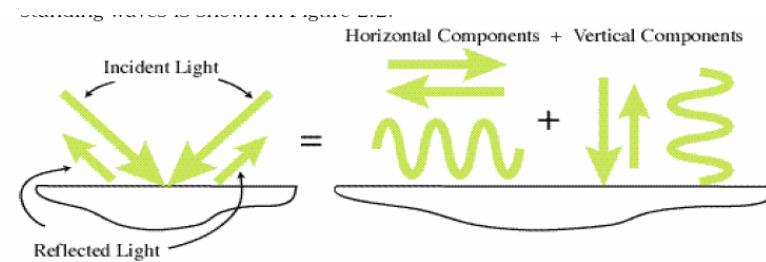


Figure 2.2: The horizontal and vertical components combine separately to create the desired horizontal standing wave and the undesired vertical standing wave



# Interference Lithography

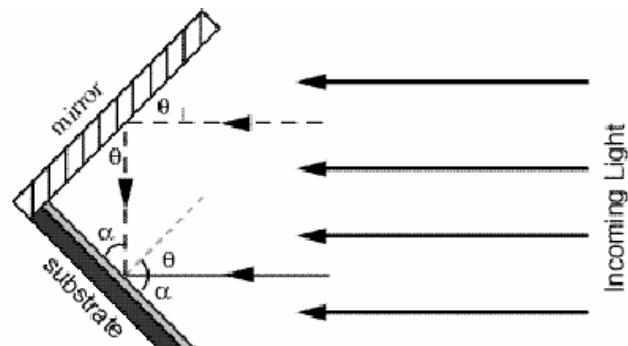
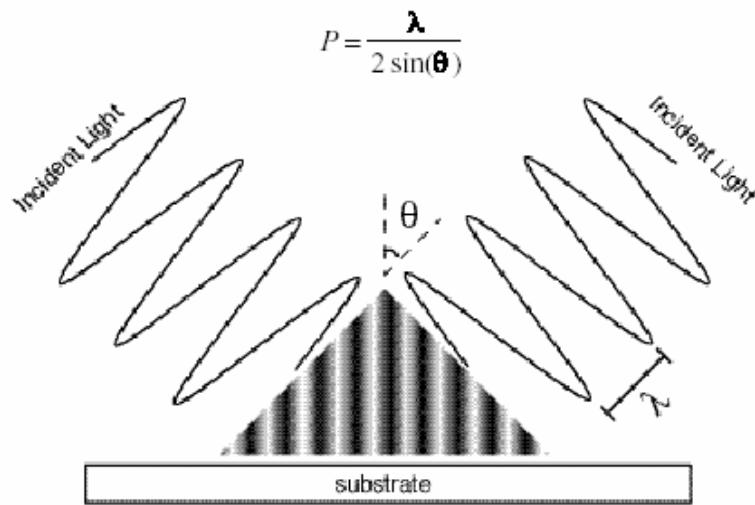
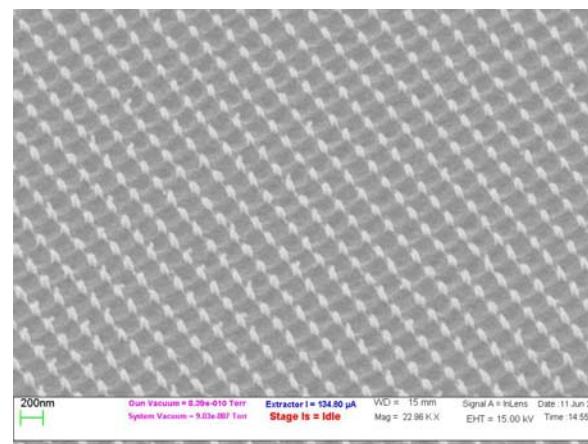
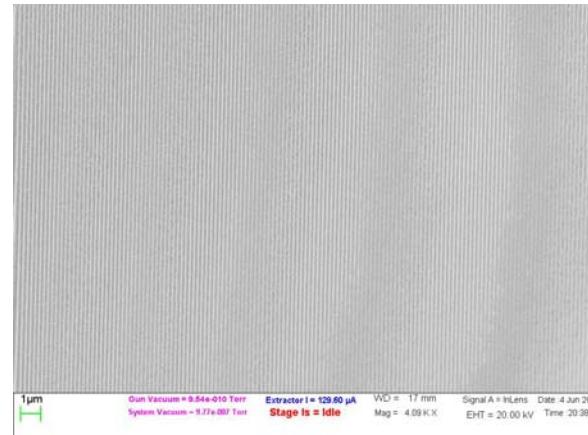
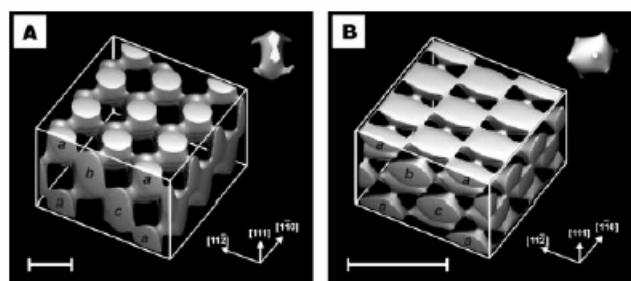


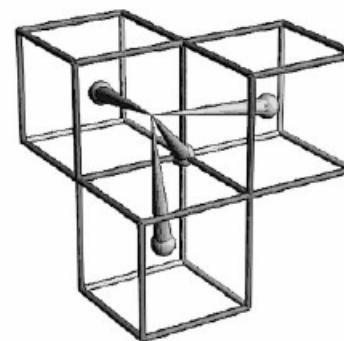
Figure 3.2) Basic Lloyd's mirror configuration



# Holographic



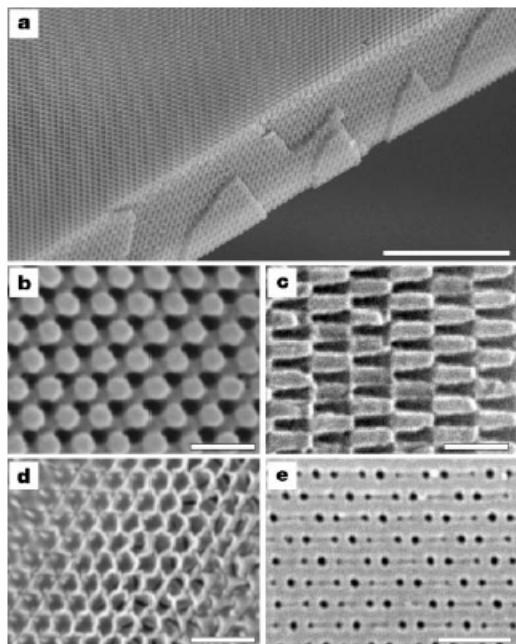
**Figure 1** Calculated constant-intensity surfaces in four-beam laser interference patterns designed to produce photonic crystals for the visible spectrum from photoresist. The primitive basis (contents of a Wigner-Seitz unit cell) is shown inset in each case. **A**, f.c.c. pattern with lattice constant 922 nm, used to produce the structures shown in Fig. 3a-d and 4. The close-packed layers of the f.c.c. lattice are indicated on one side of the cube. **B**, f.c.c. pattern with lattice constant 397 nm. Scale bars, 500 nm.



**Figure 2** Beam geometry for an f.c.c. interference pattern. The wavevectors of the four laser beams are drawn as cones originating from lattice points in a b.c.c. reciprocal lattice. The differences between the central beam wavevector  $\mathbf{k}_0$ , which originates from the common point of the three cubes shown, and the three wavevectors  $\mathbf{k}_{1-3}$  originating from body-centre lattice points, are the primitive set of reciprocal lattice vectors  $2\pi/d\langle\bar{1}11\rangle$ .



# Holographic



**Figure 3** SEM images of photonic crystals generated by holographic lithography. **a**, Polymeric photonic crystal generated by exposure of a 10- $\mu$ m film of photoresist to the interference pattern shown in Fig. 1A. The top surface is a (111) plane; the film has been fractured along the (111̄) cleavage planes. Scale bar, 10  $\mu$ m. **b**, Close-up of a (111) surface. Scale bar, 1  $\mu$ m. **c**, Close-up of a (111̄) surface. Scale bar, 1  $\mu$ m. **d**, Inverse replica in titania made by using the polymeric structure as a template. The surface is slightly tilted from the (111) plane. Scale bar, 1  $\mu$ m. **e**, (102) surface of a b.c.c. polymeric photonic crystal. Scale bar, 1  $\mu$ m.

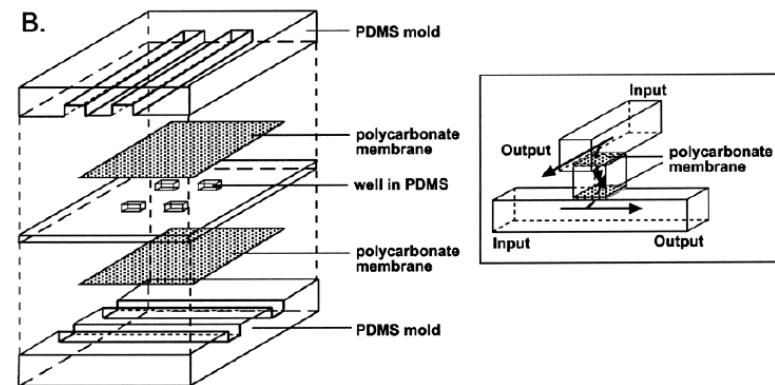
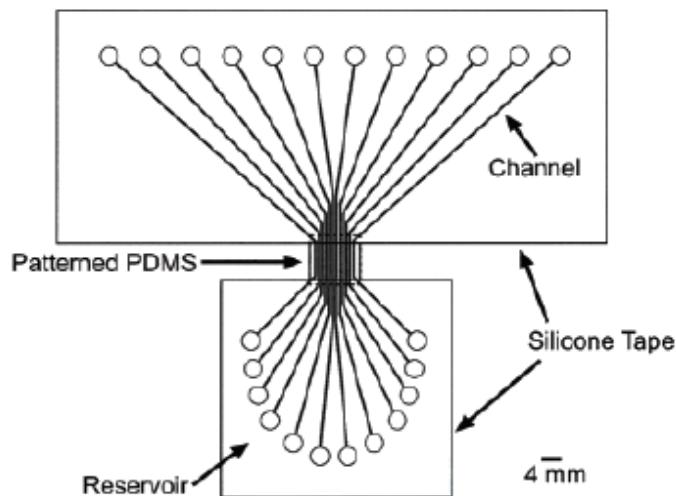


# PDMS

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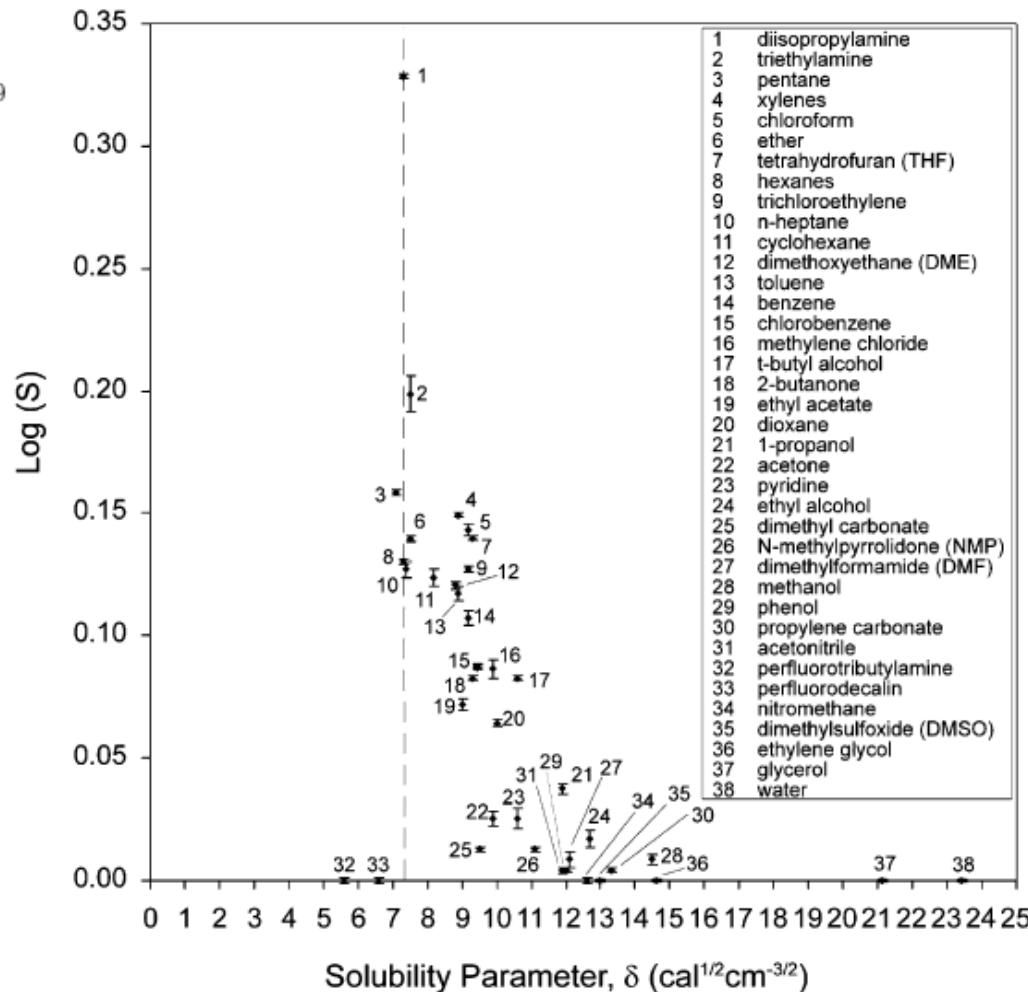
property	characteristic	consequence
optical	transparent; UV cutoff, 240 nm	optical detection from 240 to 1100 nm
electrical	insulating; breakdown voltage, $2 \times 10^7$ V/m <sup>71</sup>	allows embedded circuits; intentional breakdown to open connections <sup>43</sup>
mechanical	elastomeric; tunable Young's modulus, typical value of $\sim 750$ kPa <sup>24</sup>	conforms to surfaces; allows actuation by reversible deformation; <sup>24</sup> facilitates release from molds
thermal	insulating; thermal conductivity, 0.2 W/(m·K); coefficient of thermal expansion, $310 \mu\text{m}/(\text{m} \cdot ^\circ\text{C})$ <sup>71</sup>	can be used to insulate heated solutions; <sup>64</sup> does not allow dissipation of resistive heating from electrophoretic separation
interfacial permeability	low surface free energy $\sim 20$ erg/ cm <sup>2</sup> <sup>20</sup>	replicas release easily from molds; can be reversibly sealed to materials
permeability	impermeable to liquid water; permeable to gases and nonpolar organic solvents	contains aqueous solutions in channels; allows gas transport
reactivity	inert; can be oxidized by exposure to a plasma; $\text{Bu}_4\text{N}^+\text{F}^-$ ((TBA)F)	through the bulk material; incompatible with many organic solvents
toxicity	nontoxic.	unreactive toward most reagents; surface can be etched; can be modified to be hydrophilic and also reactive toward silanes; <sup>20</sup> etching with (TBA)F can alter topography of surfaces <sup>59</sup>
		can be implanted in vivo; supports mammalian cell growth <sup>57,59</sup>



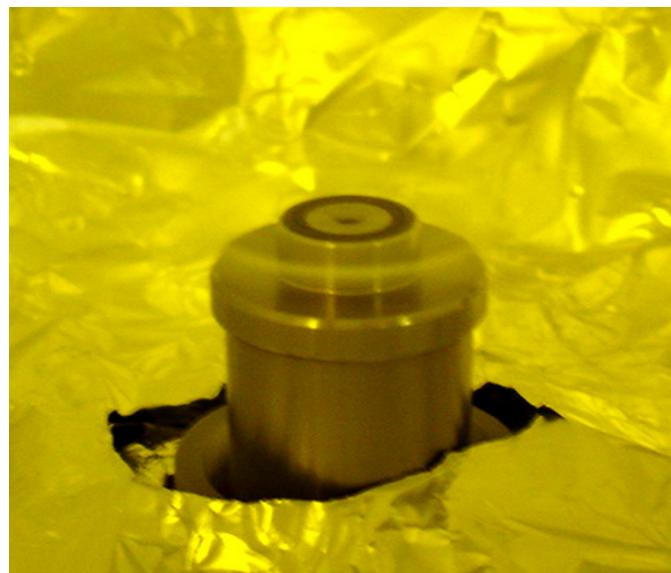
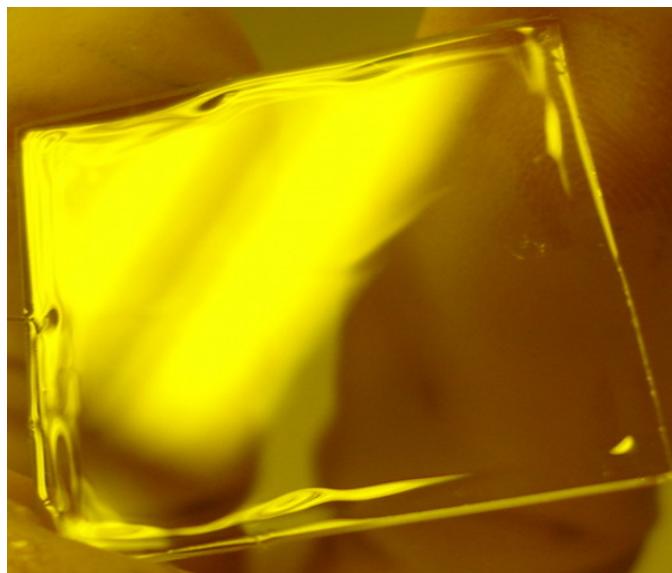
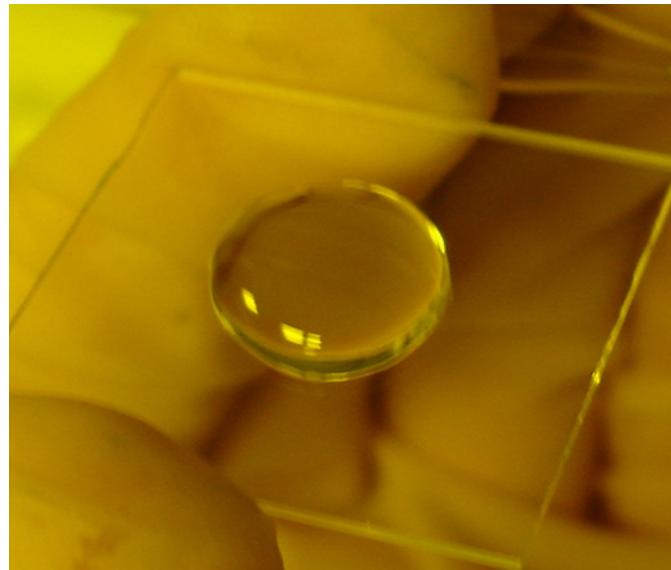
# Solvent Compatibility of Poly(dimethylsiloxane)-Based Microfluidic Devices

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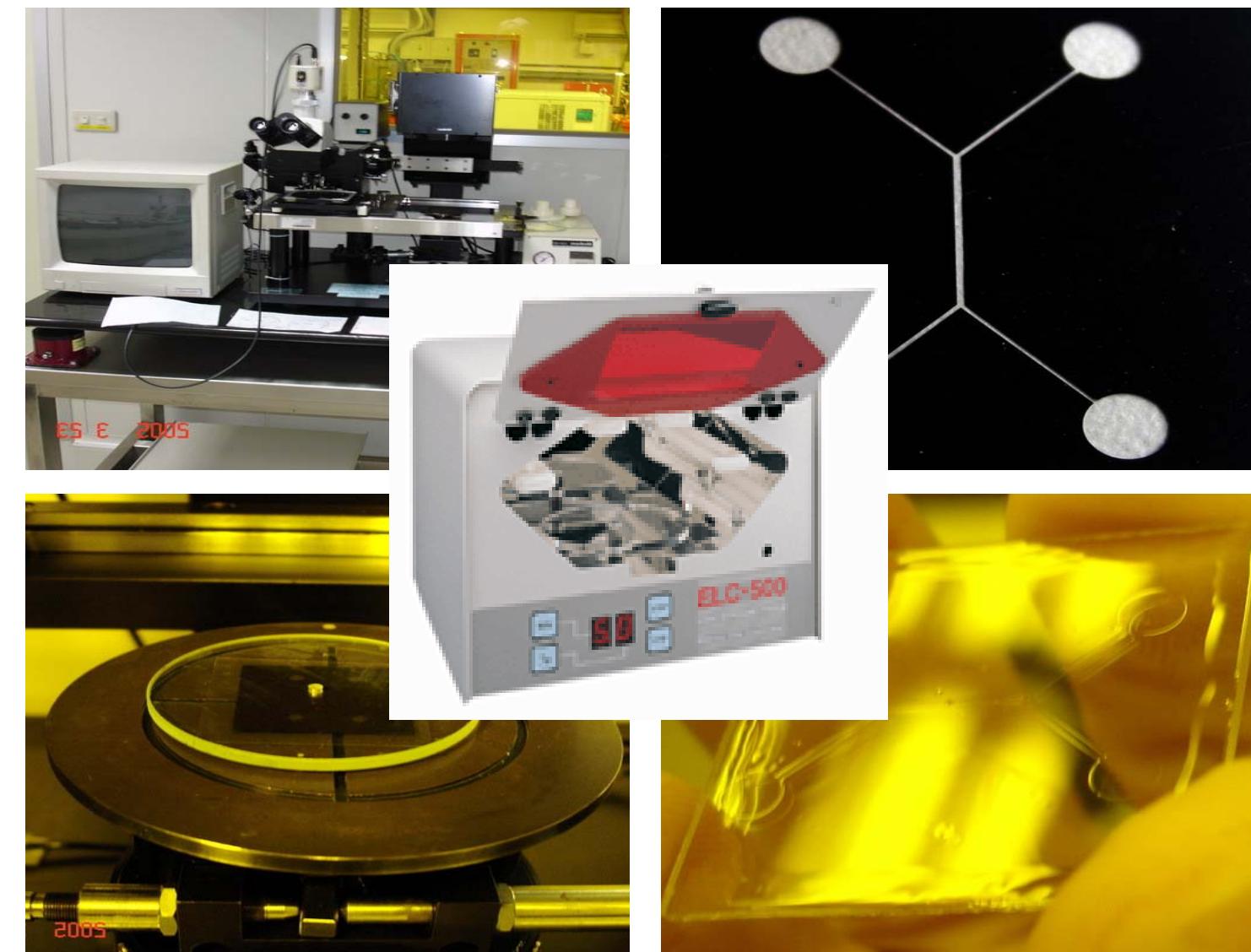
solvent	$\delta^a$	$S^b$	$\mu$ (D)
perfluorotributylamine	5.6	1.00	0.0
perfluorodecalin	6.6	1.00	0.0
pentane	7.1	1.44	0.0
poly(dimethylsiloxane)	7.3	$\infty$	0.6–0.9
diisopropylamine	7.3	2.13	1.2
hexanes	7.3	1.35	0.0
<i>n</i> -heptane	7.4	1.34	0.0
triethylamine	7.5	1.58	0.7
ether	7.5	1.38	1.1
cyclohexane	8.2	1.33	0.0
trichloroethylene	9.2	1.34	0.9
dimethoxyethane (DME)	8.8	1.32	1.6
xlenes	8.9	1.41	0.3
toluene	8.9	1.31	0.4
ethyl acetate	9.0	1.18	1.8
benzene	9.2	1.28	0.0
chloroform	9.2	1.39	1.0
2-butanone	9.3	1.21	2.8
tetrahydrofuran (THF)	9.3	1.38	1.7
dimethyl carbonate	9.5	1.03	0.9
chlorobenzene	9.5	1.22	1.7
methylene chloride	9.9	1.22	1.6
acetone	9.9	1.06	2.9
dioxane	10.0	1.16	0.5
pyridine	10.6	1.06	2.2
<i>N</i> -methylpyrrolidone (NMP)	11.1	1.03	3.8
<i>tert</i> -butyl alcohol	10.6	1.21	1.6
acetonitrile	11.9	1.01	4.0
1-propanol	11.9	1.09	1.6
phenol	12.0	1.01	1.2
dimethylformamide (DMF)	12.1	1.02	3.8
nitromethane	12.6	1.00	3.5
ethyl alcohol	12.7	1.04	1.7
dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO)	13.0	1.00	4.0
propylene carbonate	13.3	1.01	4.8
methanol	14.5	1.02	1.7
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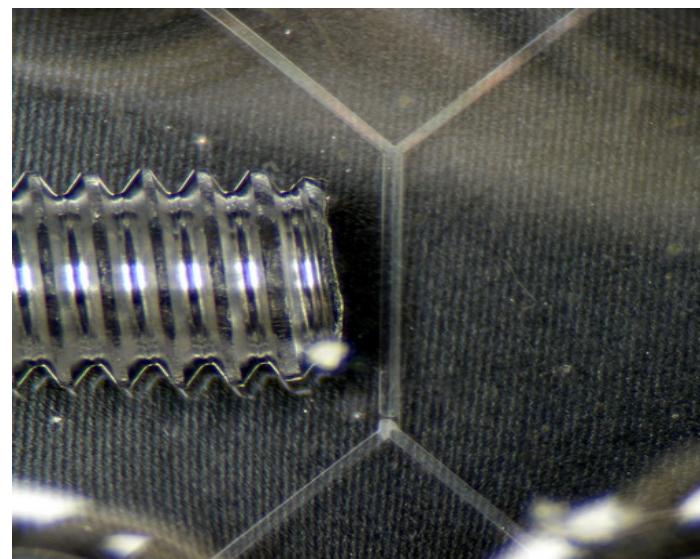
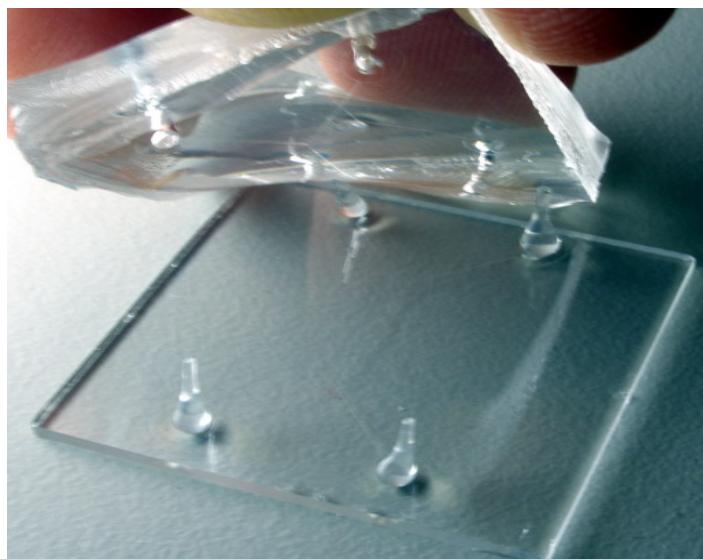
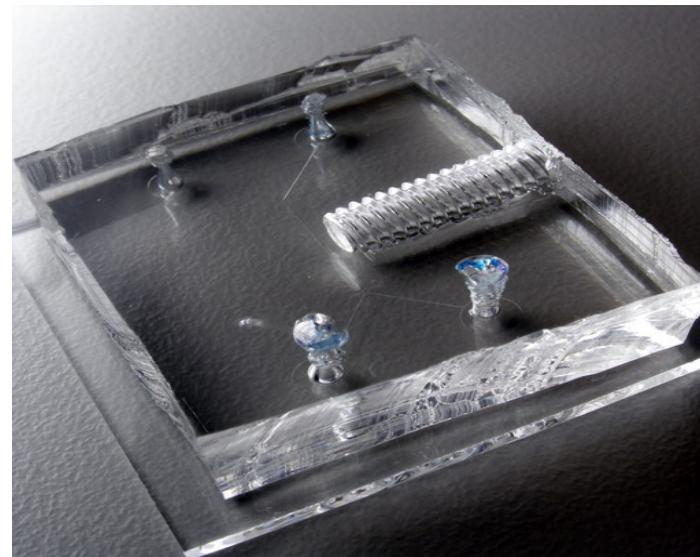
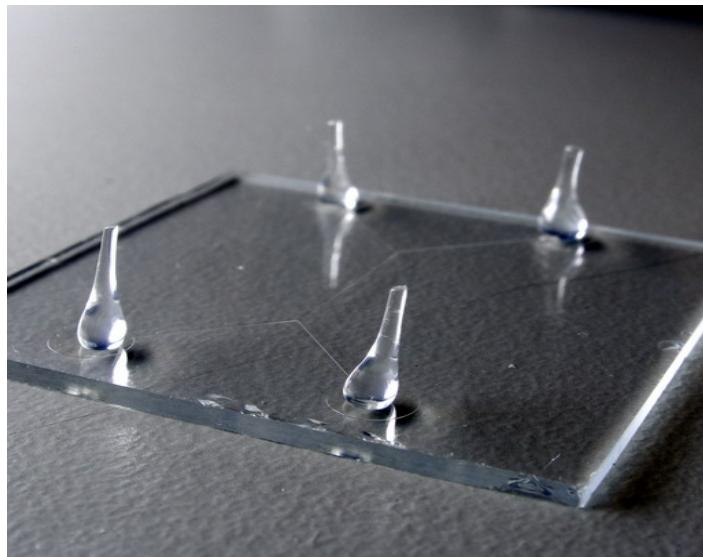
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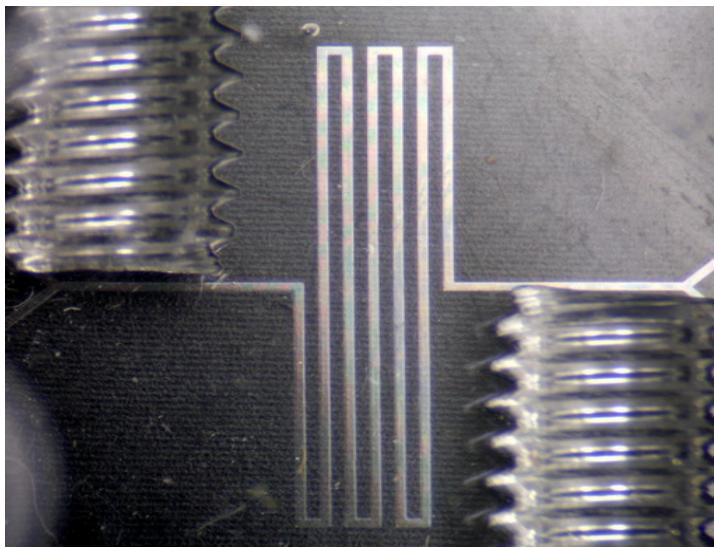
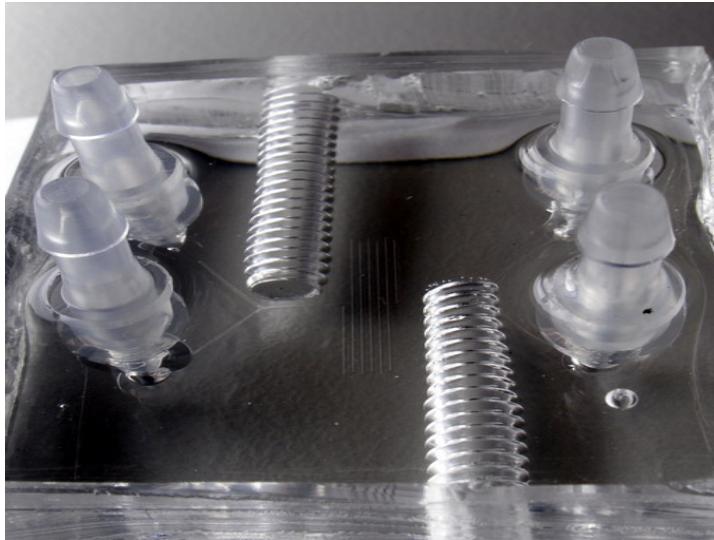
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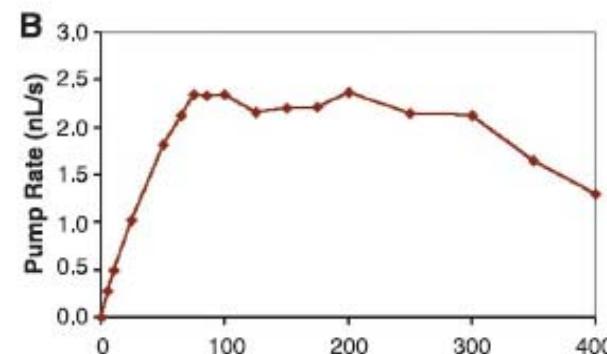
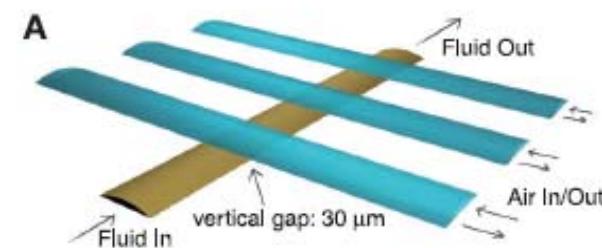
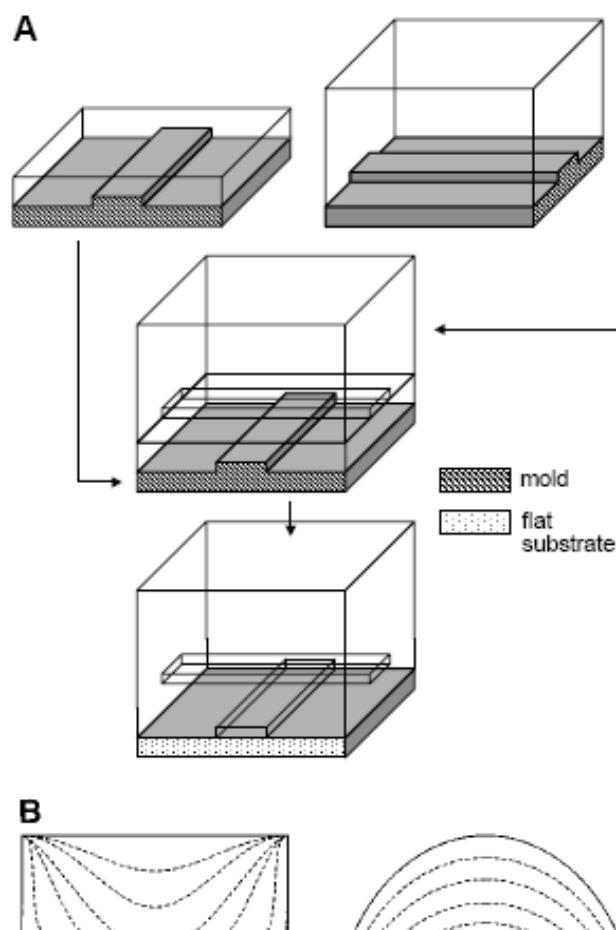


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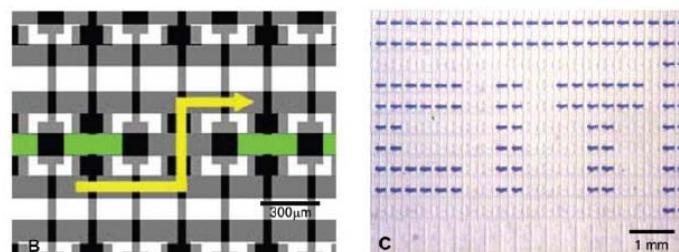
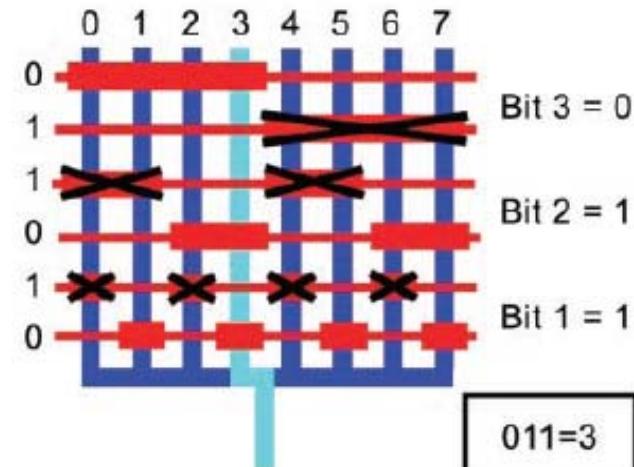
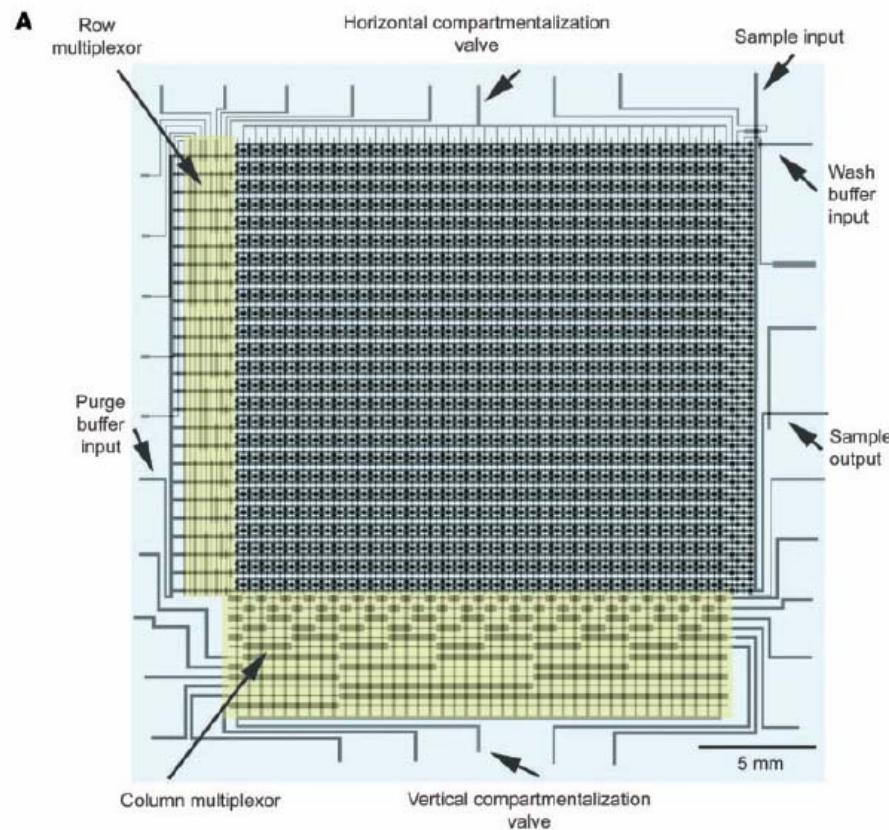
# Monolithic Microfabricated Valves and Pumps by Multilayer Soft Lithography

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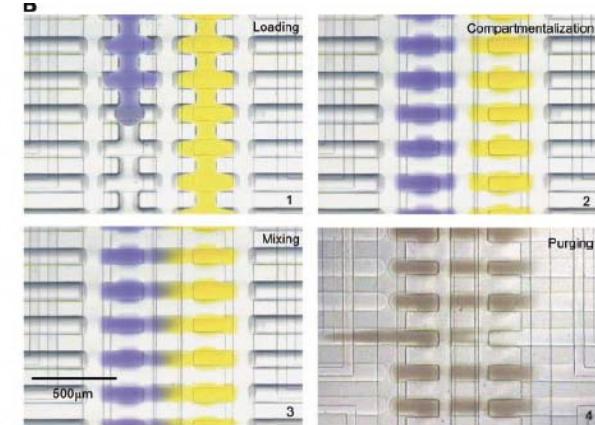
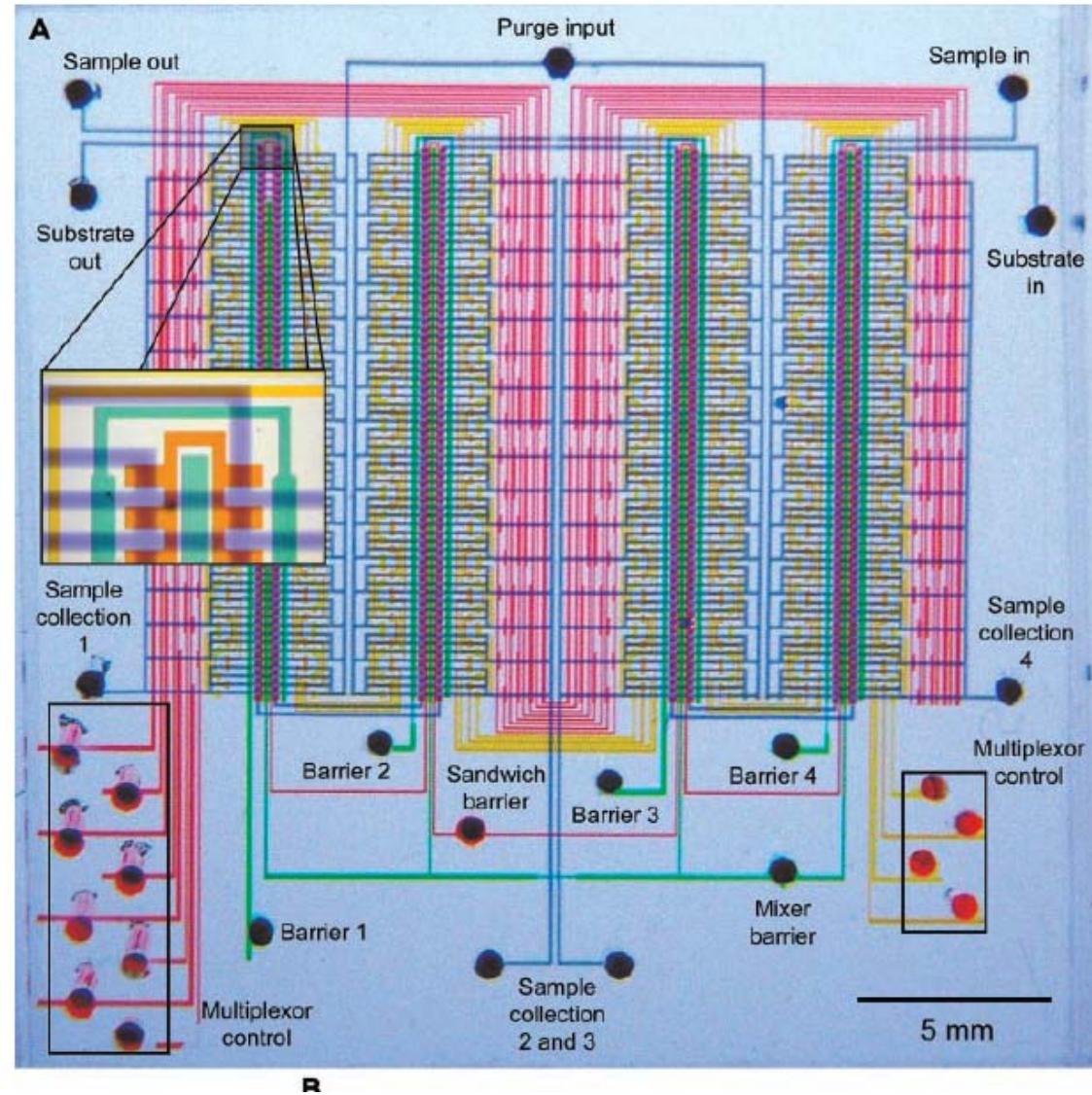
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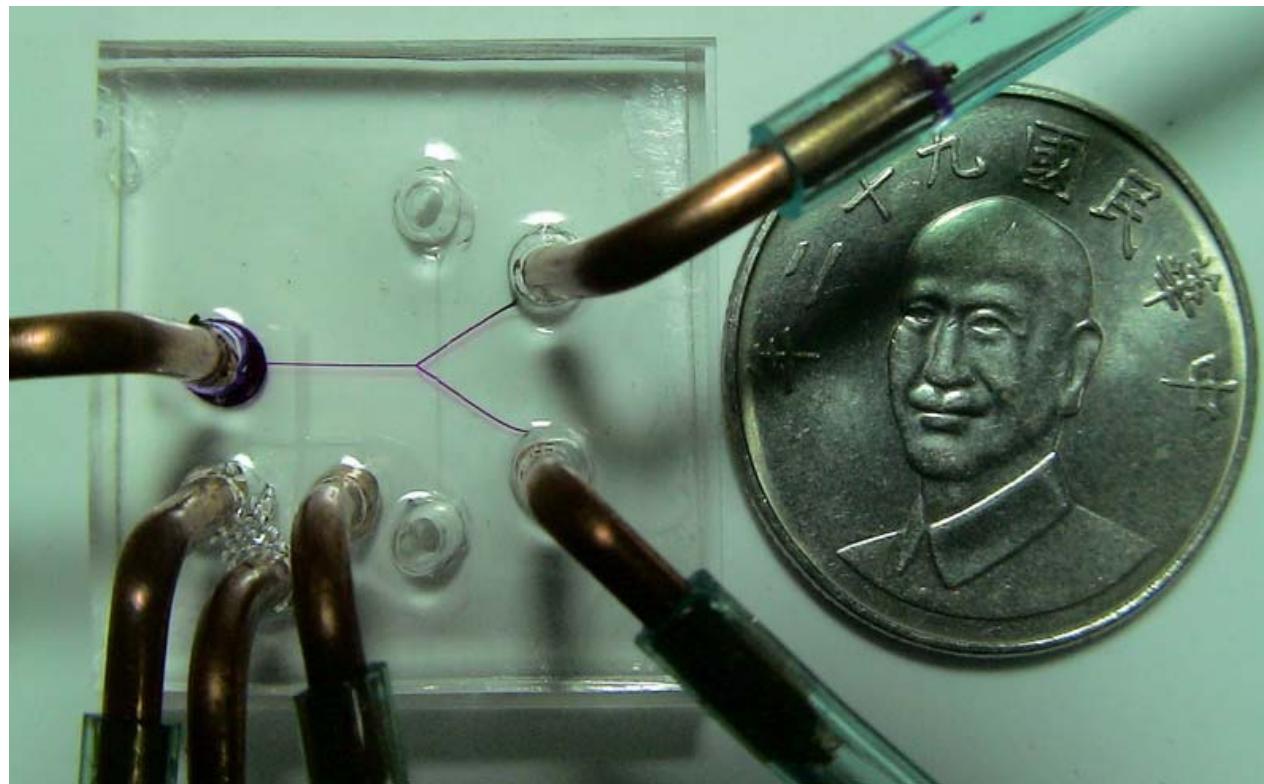


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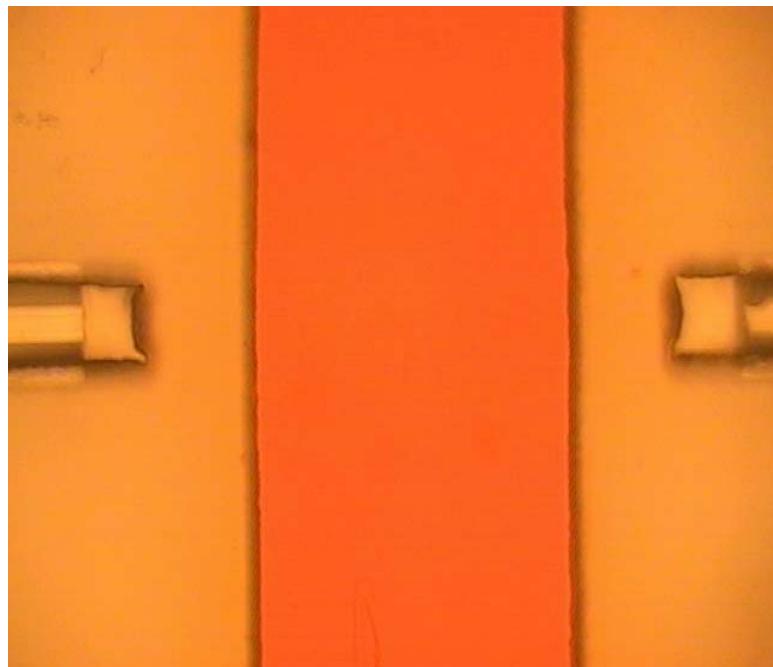




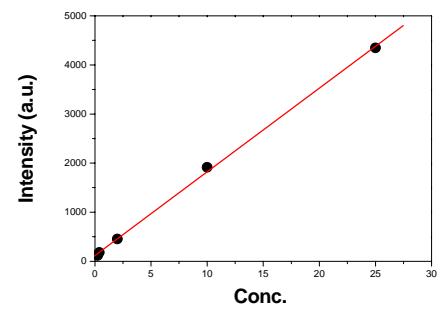
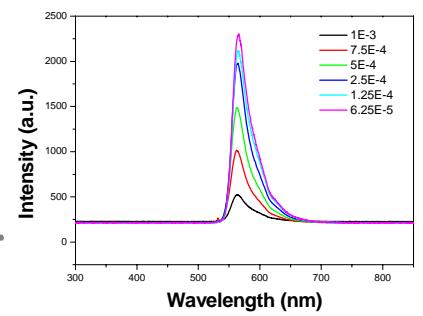
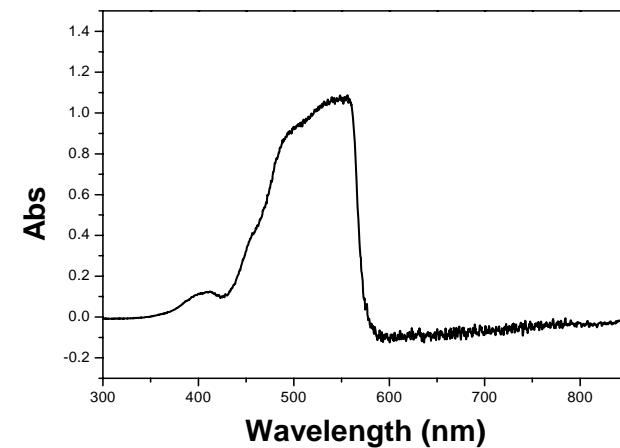
# Microfabricated Fluidic System by Soft Lithography



# Integrated Detection System in Microchannel



fluidic channel + microlens + fiber

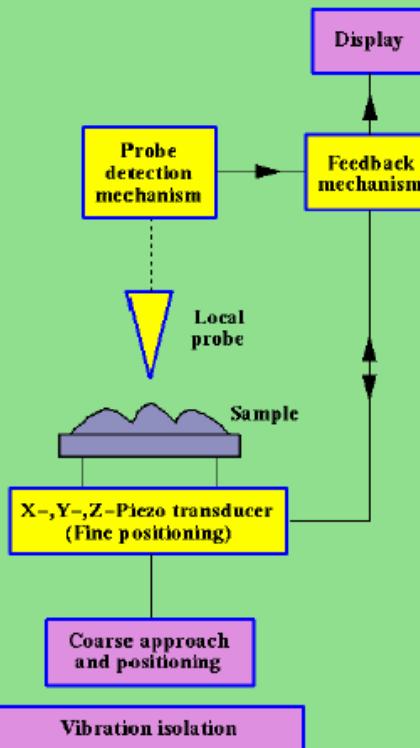


# Introduction To Scanning Probe Microscopy

## General features of SPM

The first scanning probe microscope was invented in 1981 by Gerd Binnig and Heinrich Rohrer at the IBM laboratory in Zurich. Since that time, a vast family of scanning probe microscopes has been spawned, a few of which are represented in this family tree. Despite the huge number of types of SPM and modes in which they can be operated, the underlying operation is the same for them all. Each different type of SPM is **characterized by the nature of the local probe and its interaction with the sample surface.**

## Generalized Schematic of a Scanning Probe Microscope



# Scanning Probe Family

## Scanning Tunnelling Microscopy (STM) 1981–2

Scanning Near Field Optical Microscopy (SNOM)

Photon Scanning Tunnelling Microscopy (PSTM)

## Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM) 1986

Magnetic Force Microscopy (MFM)

Electrostatic Force Microscopy (EFM)

Shear Force Microscopy (SHFM)

Scanning Ion Conductance Microscopy (SICM)

Scanning Capacitance Microscopy (SCM)

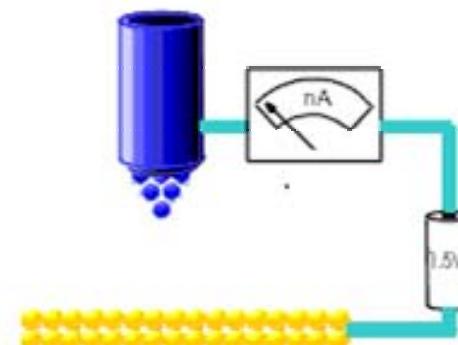
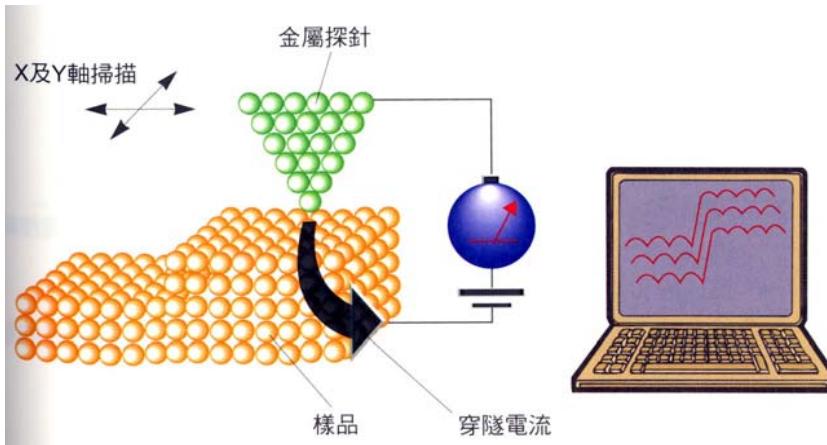
Scanning Chemical Potential Microscopy (SCPM)

Scanning Thermal Microscopy (SThM)

## Scanning Force Microscopy (SFM)



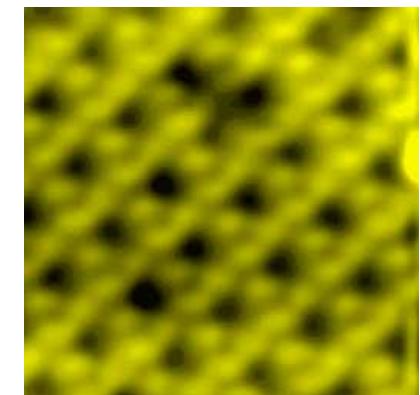
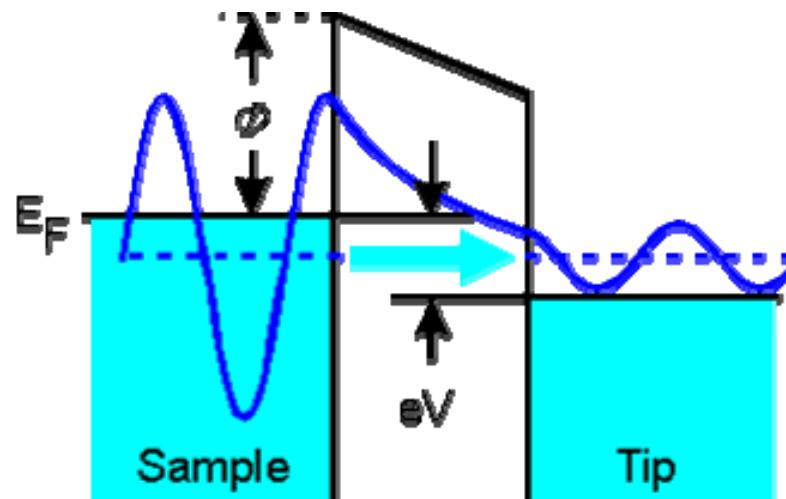
# Scanning Tunneling Microscopy



# Tunneling Current

$$\Psi(d) = \Psi(0)e^{-\kappa d} \quad \text{where} \quad \kappa = \frac{\sqrt{2m(\Phi - E)}}{\hbar}$$

$$W(d) = |\Psi(d)|^2 = |\Psi(0)|^2 e^{-2\kappa d}$$

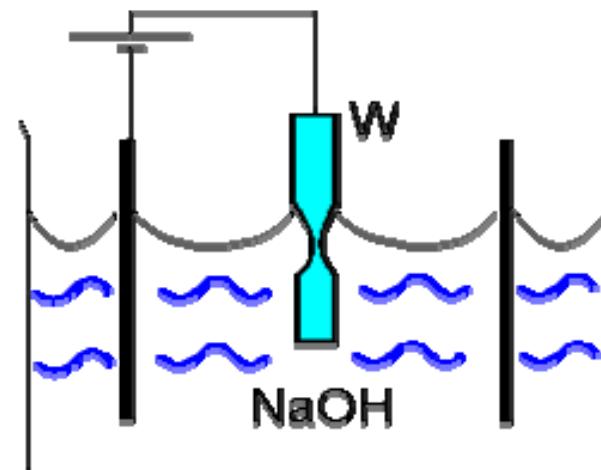
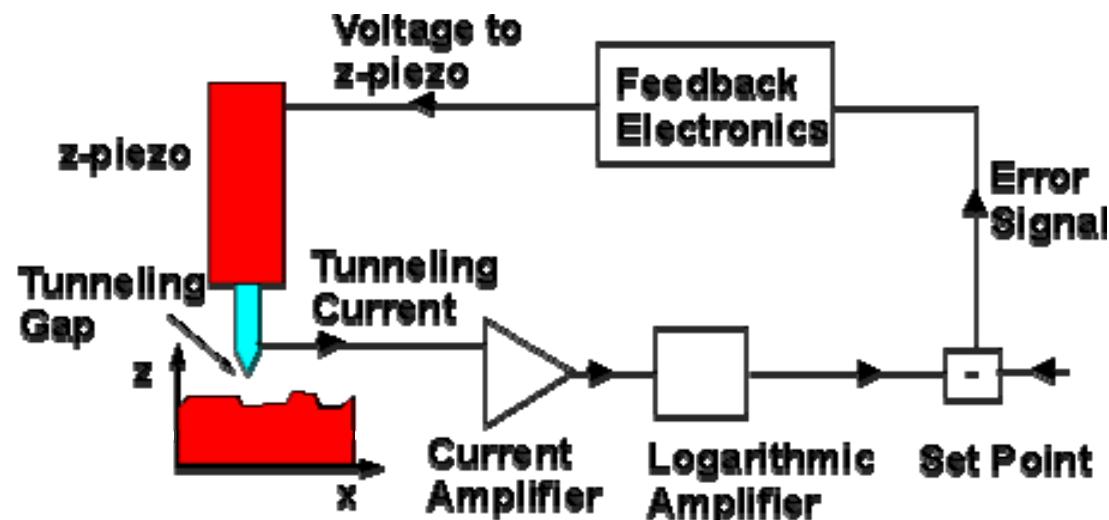
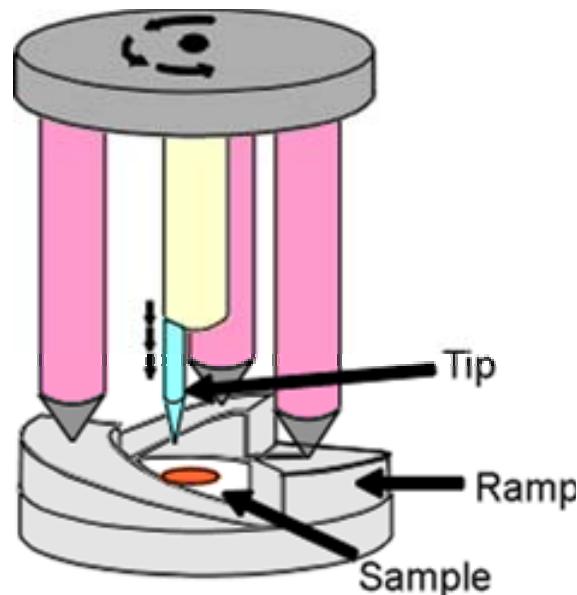


$$I \propto V \rho_{ss}(0, E_F) e^{-2\kappa d} \quad (*)$$

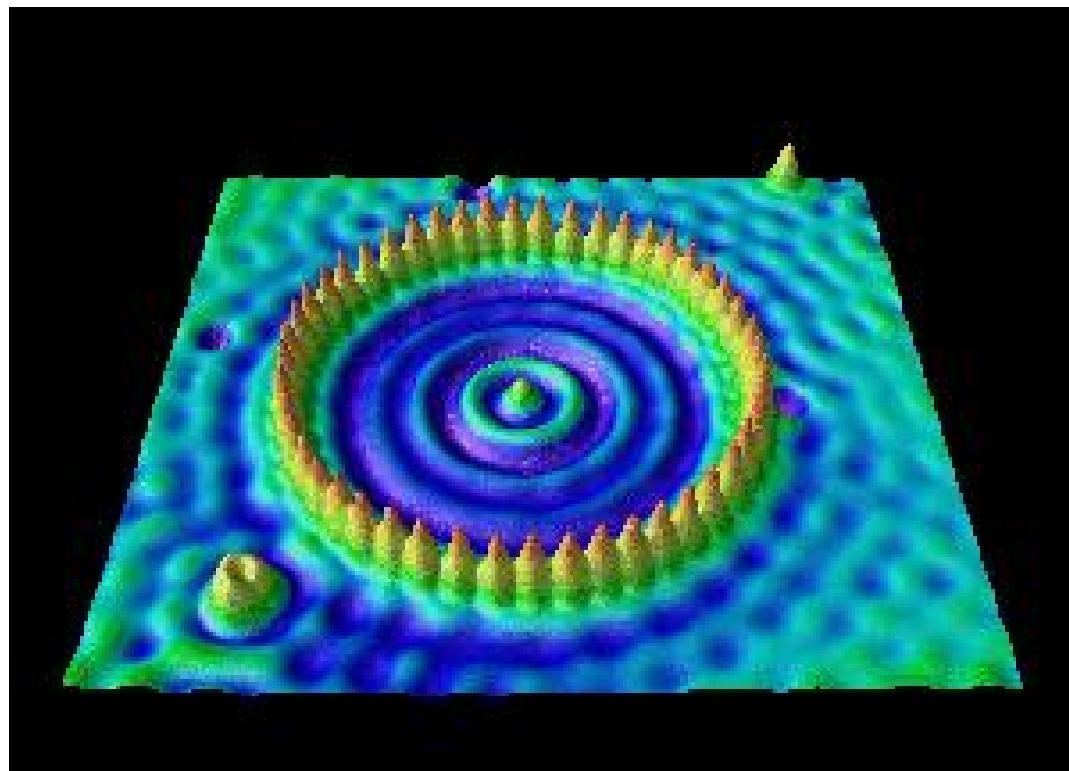
$$\approx V \rho_{ss}(0, E_F) e^{-1.025\sqrt{\Phi}d} \quad \text{where} \quad [d] = \text{\AA}; [\Phi] = \text{eV};$$



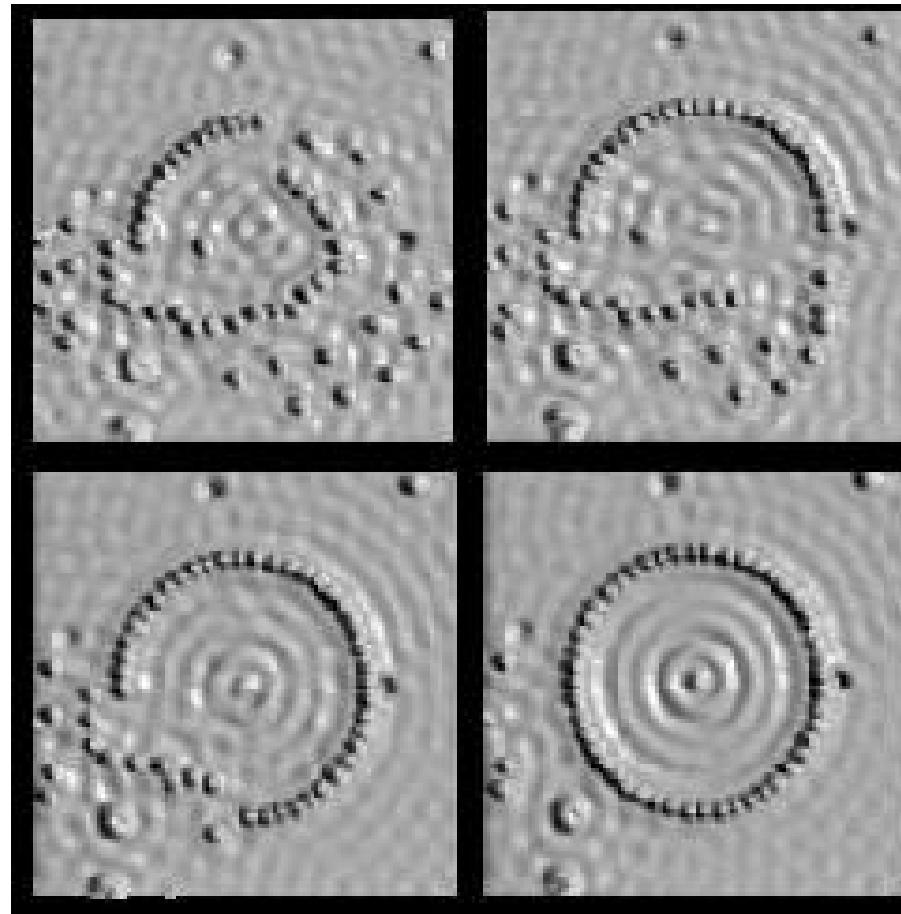
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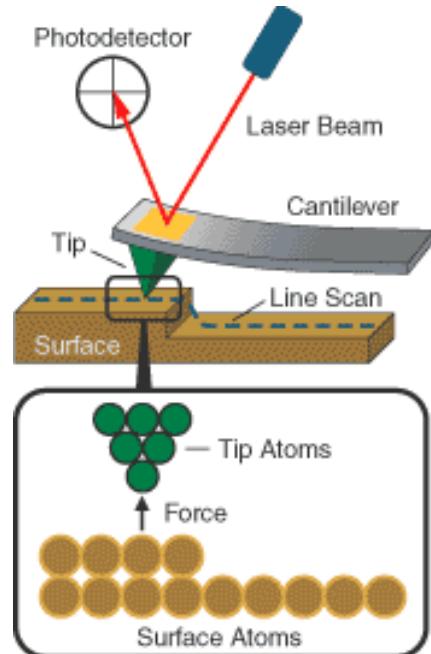
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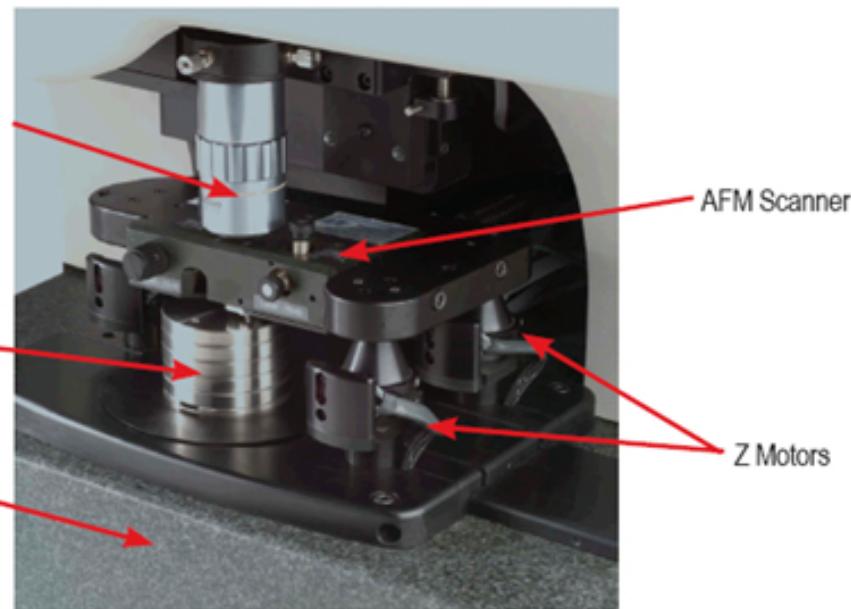
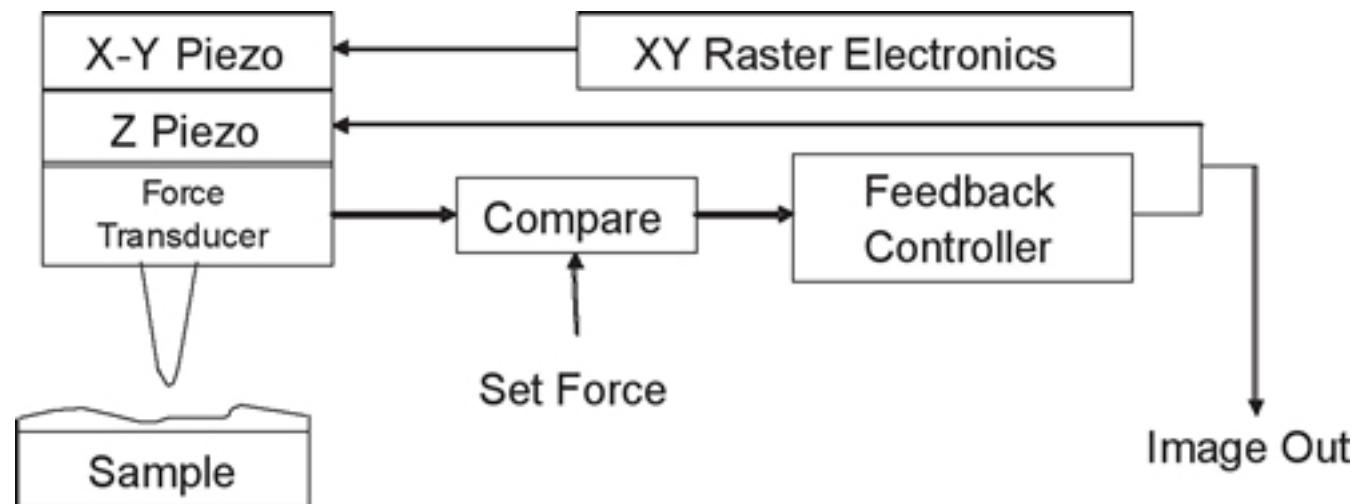


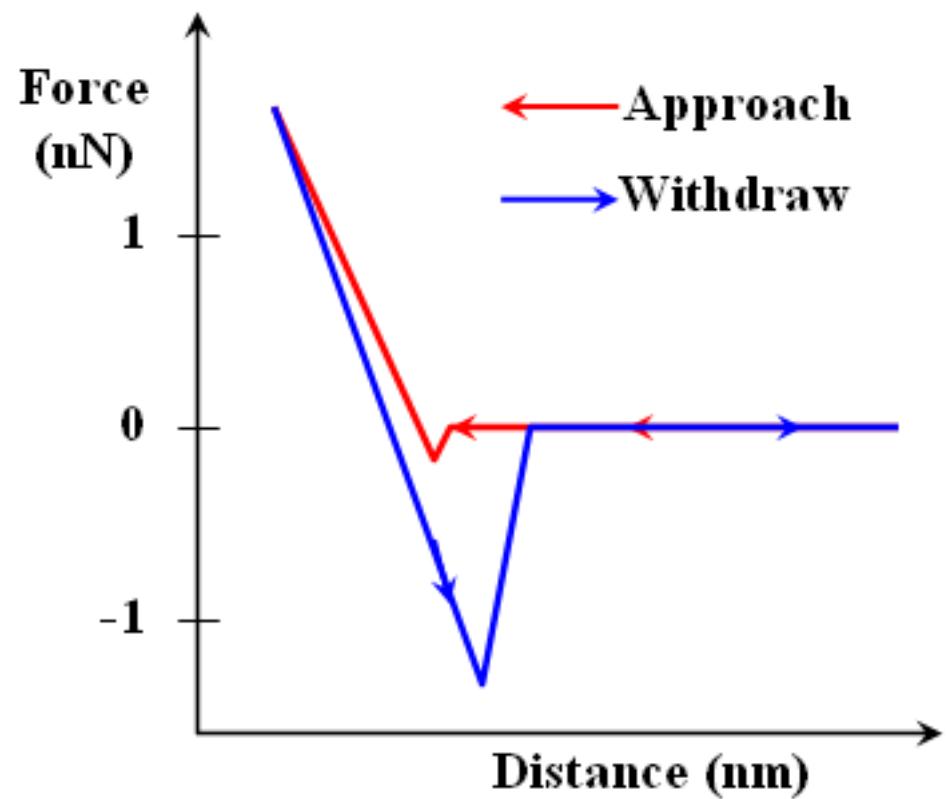
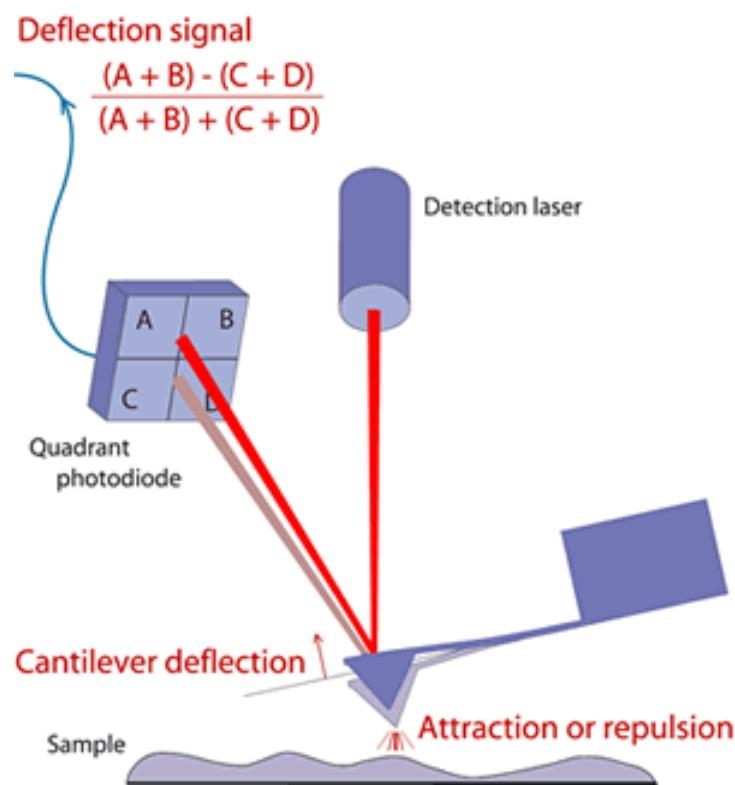
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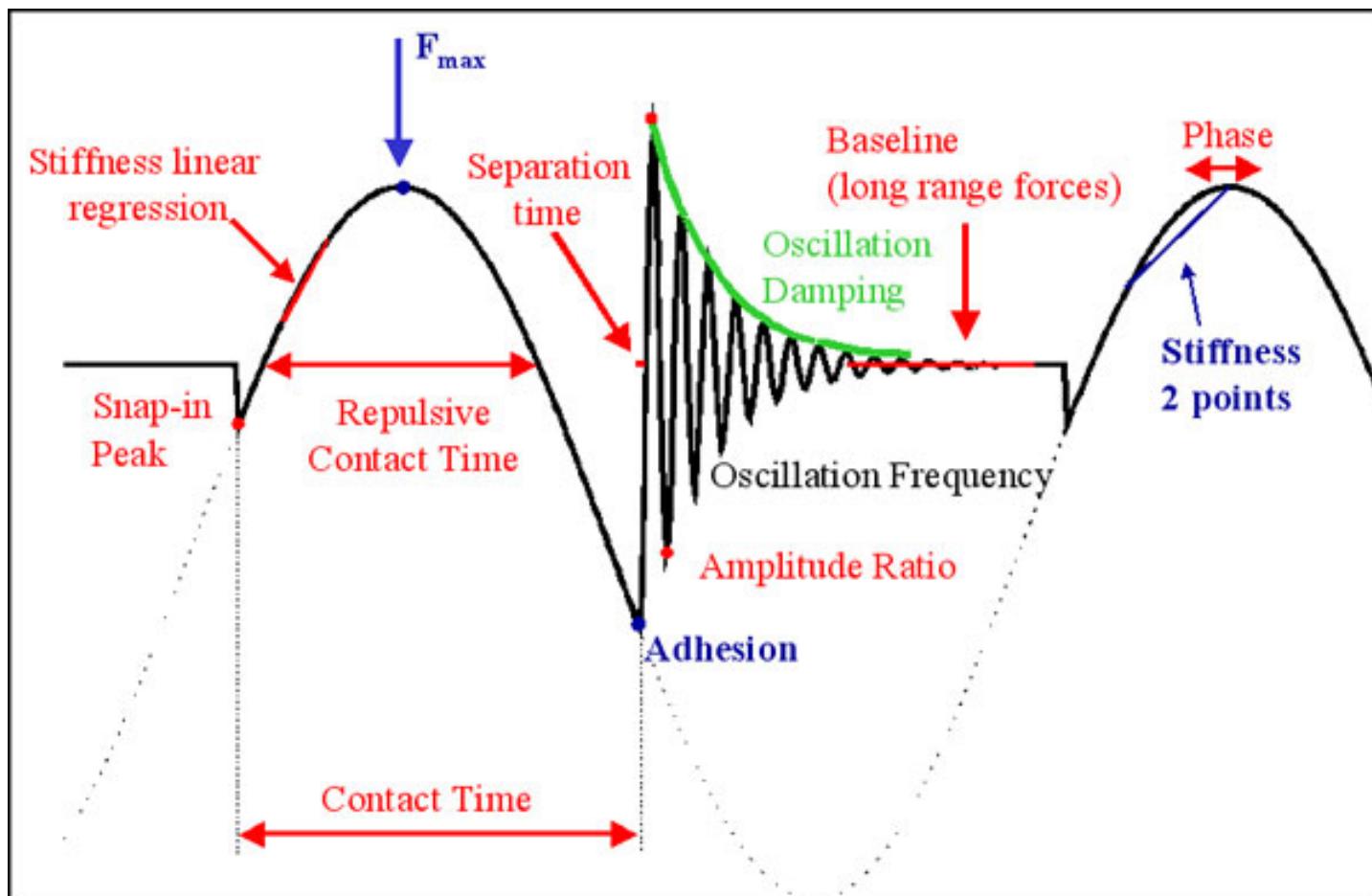


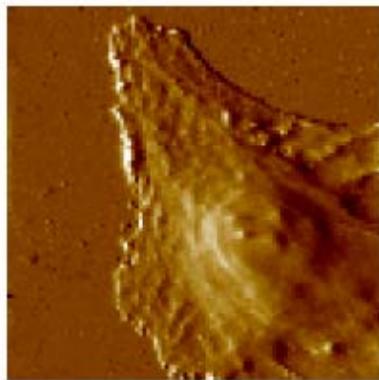
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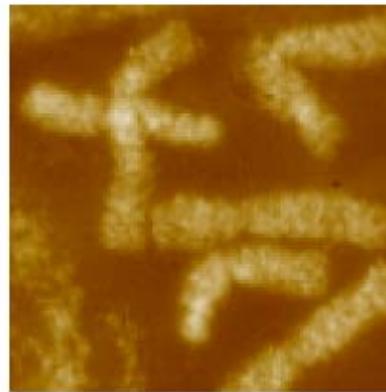








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AFM imaging of living and fixed animal cells

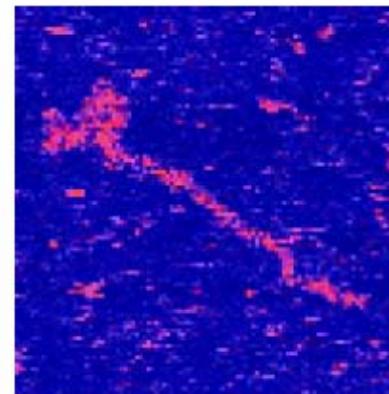


**Chromosomes**  
A large selection of work on both human and plant chromosomes

# Scanning Probe Microscope



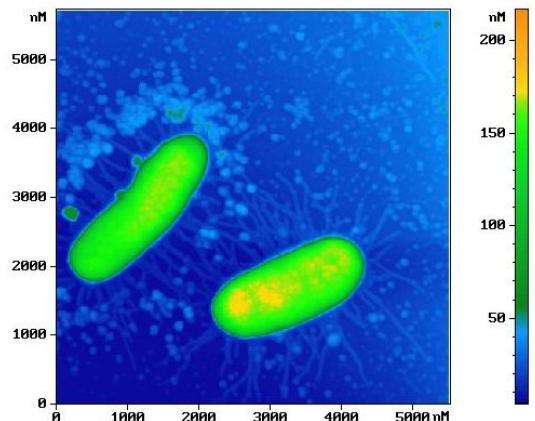
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AFM images of double-stranded DNA and of some special single-double-stranded DNA constructs



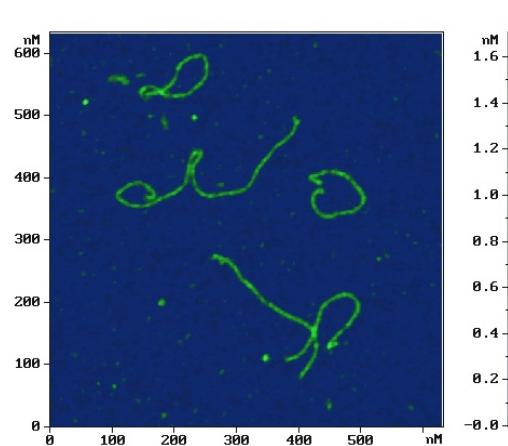
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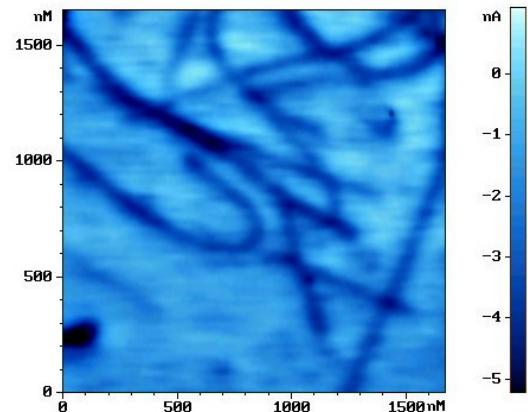
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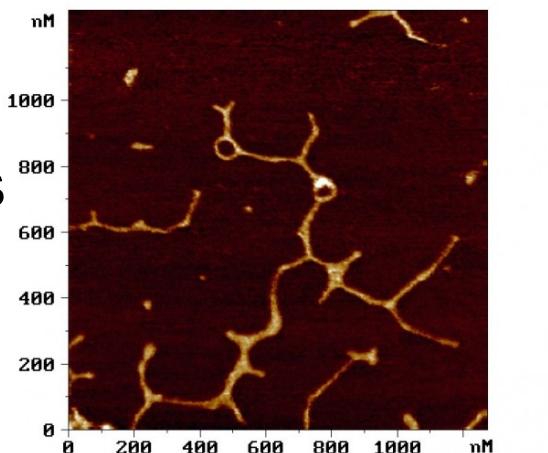
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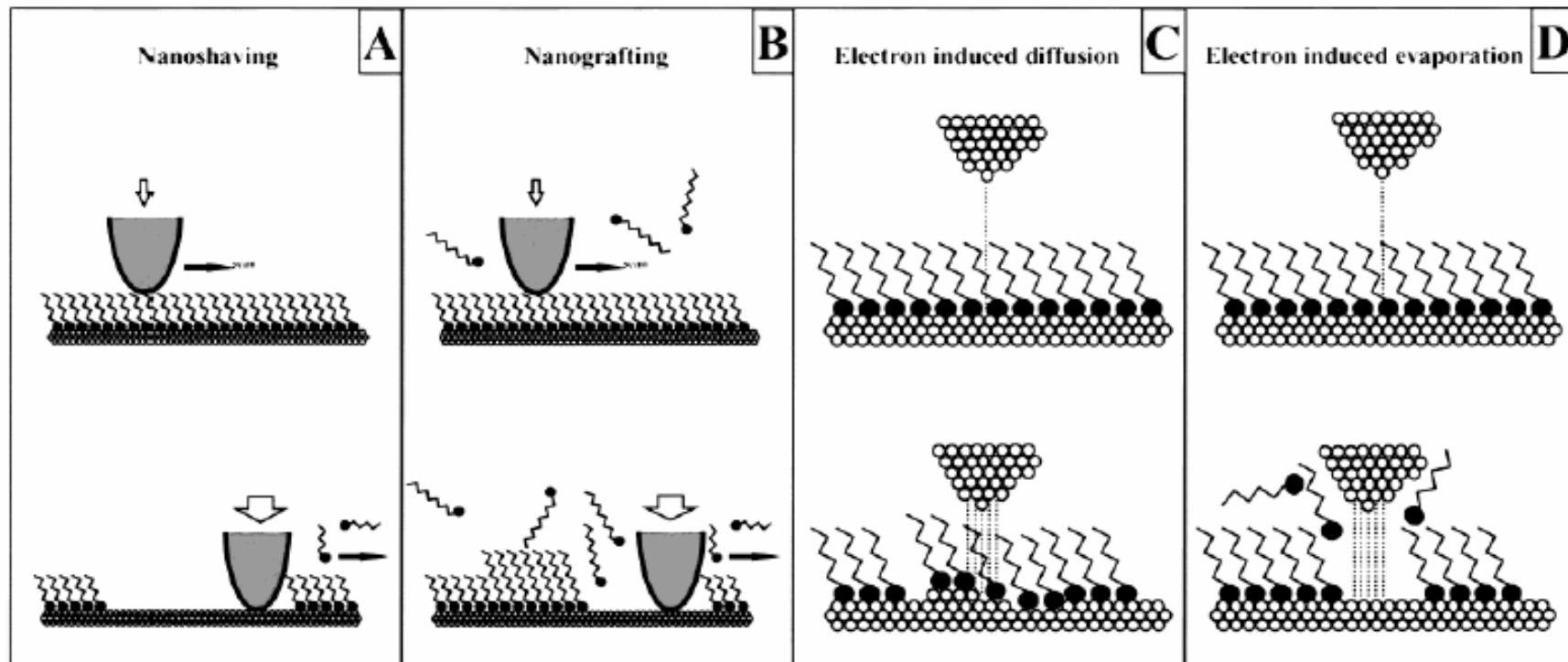
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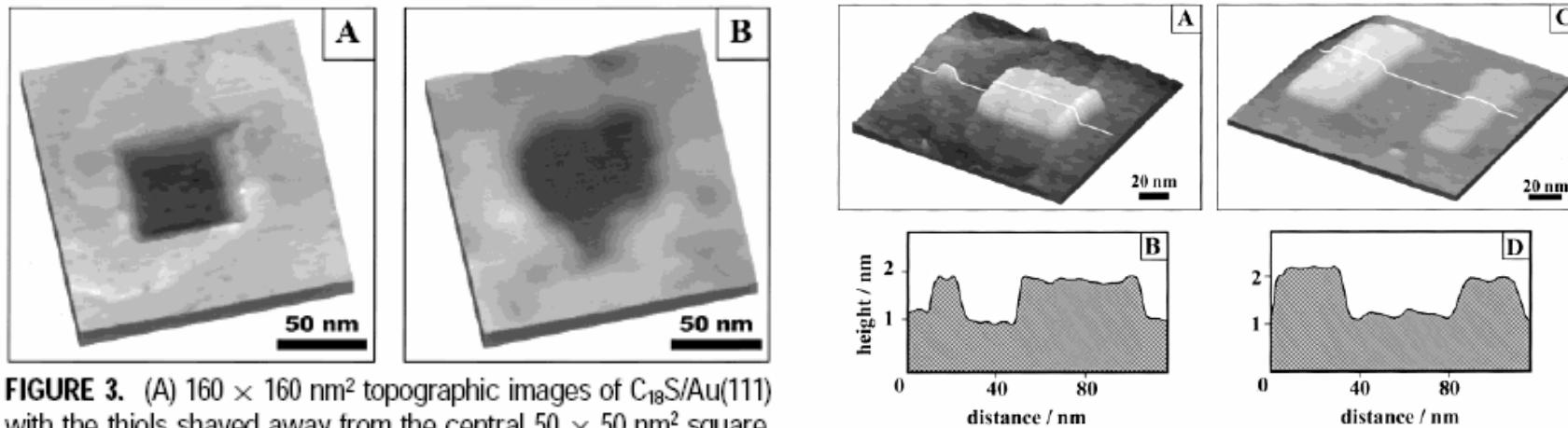
# STM Lithography



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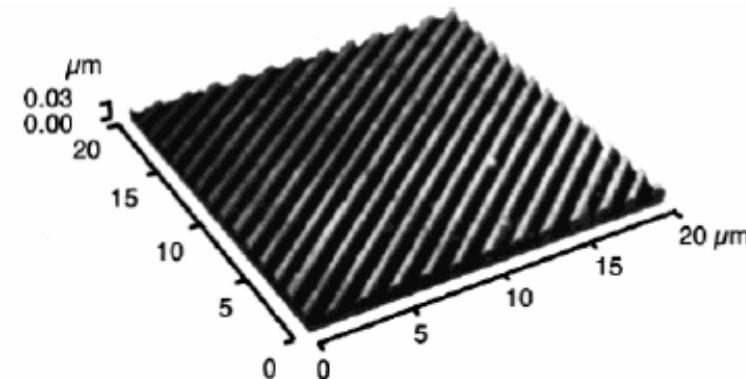
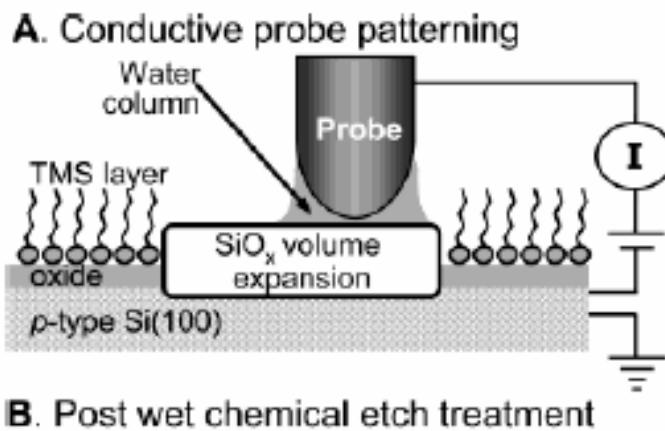
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**FIGURE 3.** (A)  $160 \times 160 \text{ nm}^2$  topographic images of  $\text{C}_{18}\text{S}/\text{Au}(111)$  with the thiols shaved away from the central  $50 \times 50 \text{ nm}^2$  square. (B)  $160 \times 160 \text{ nm}^2$  topographic images of OTE/mica containing a heart-shaped pattern produced using nanoshaving.



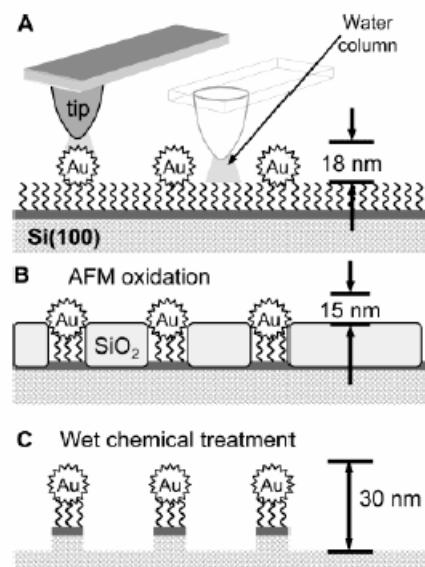
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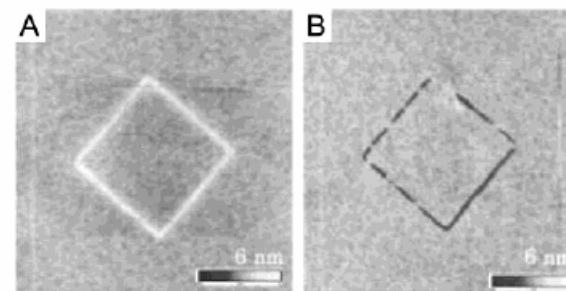
**Figure 8.** AFM images showing the results of AFM anodic oxidation and wet etching of a pattern in an ODS-SAM on a multilayer resist: scan speed,  $10 \mu\text{m/s}$ ; probe current,  $5 \text{ nA}$ ; etching steps with  $0.5 \text{ wt \%}$  hydrofluoric acid ( $0.5 \text{ min}$ ) and  $25 \text{ wt \%}$  tetraammonium hydroxide ( $3 \text{ min}$ ). Reprinted with permission from ref 111. Copyright 1999 Society of the American Institute of Physics.



# AFM Lithography



**Figure 10.** Schematic diagram of (A) selective anodization of the silicon regions not masked by nanoparticles. (B) The volume expansion of the silicon led to a decreased height contrast between the particles and the substrate. (C) After a wet etching step, silicon columns capped with a nanoparticle were formed.



**Figure 12.** AFM images showing a lithographically defined pattern in a palmitic acid LB layer adsorbed to a  $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Si}$  substrate. Diamond pattern with protruding lines was written with  $-10\text{ V}$  applied tip bias (A), and that with grooves, with  $+10\text{ V}$  applied tip bias (B) (z-scale: 6 nm). Reprinted with permission from ref 123. Copyright 2002 American Institute of Physics.



# Substitution Lithography

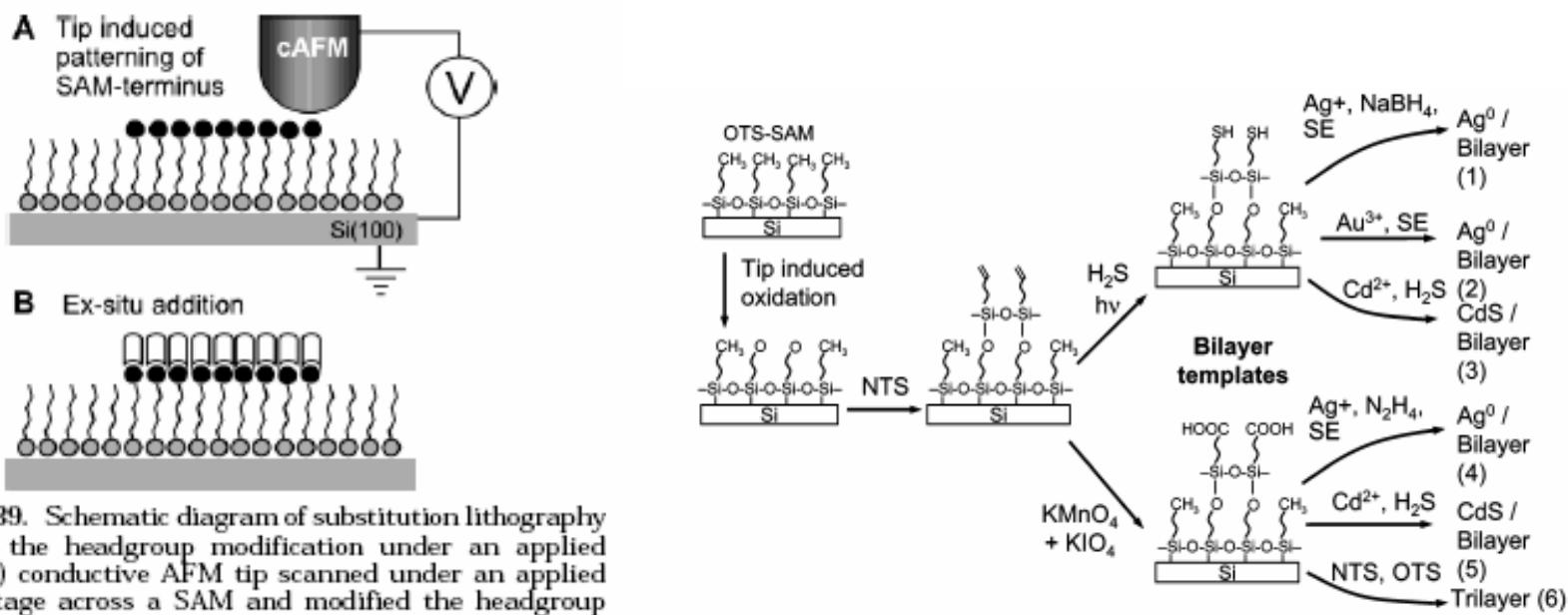
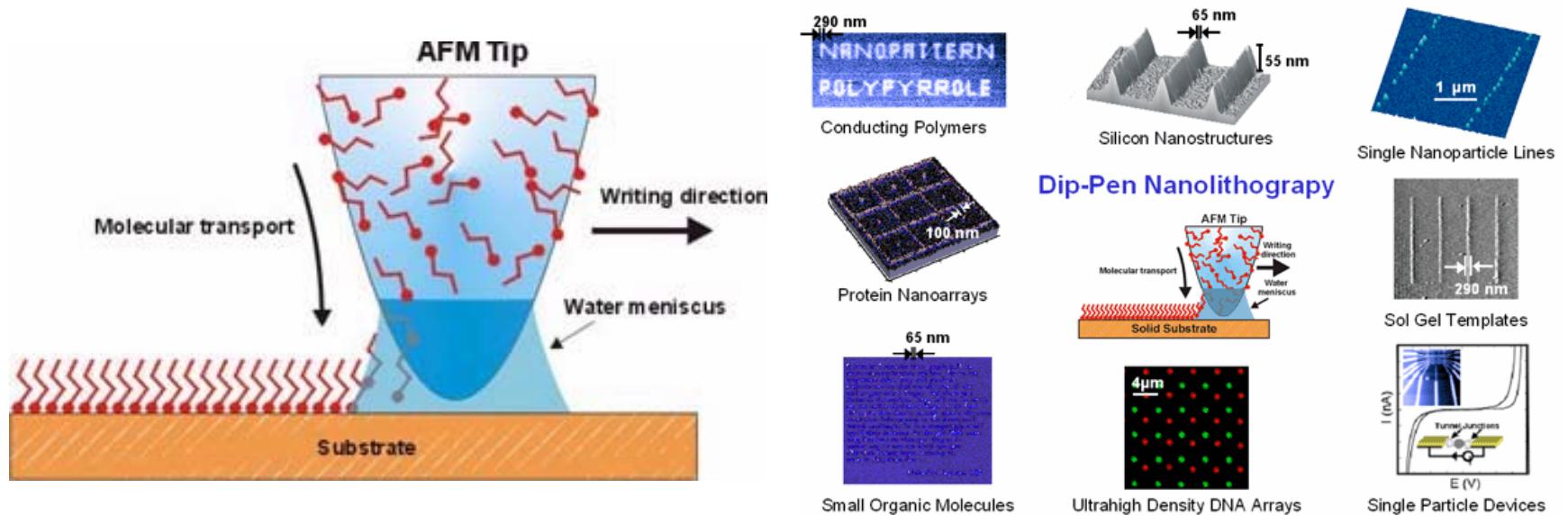


Figure 39. Schematic diagram of substitution lithography through the headgroup modification under an applied bias: (A) conductive AFM tip scanned under an applied bias voltage across a SAM and modified the headgroup without changing the structural integrity of the SAM; (B) altered functionality used for the subsequent binding of a second self-assembly molecule.



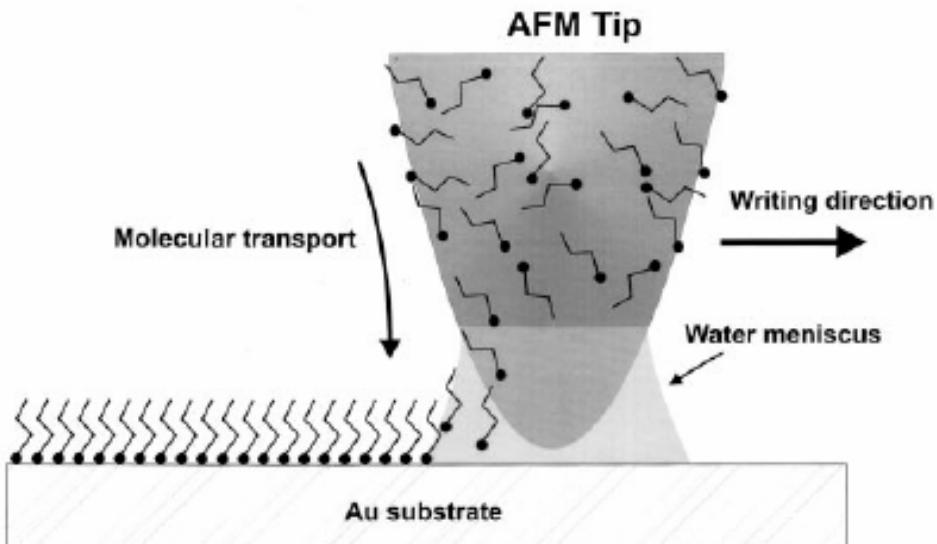
# Dip-Pen Lithography



# "Dip-Pen" Nanolithography

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Fig. 1. Schematic representation of DPN. A water meniscus forms between the AFM tip coated with ODT and the Au substrate. The size of the meniscus, which is controlled by relative humidity, affects the ODT transport rate, the effective tip-substrate contact area, and DPN resolution.

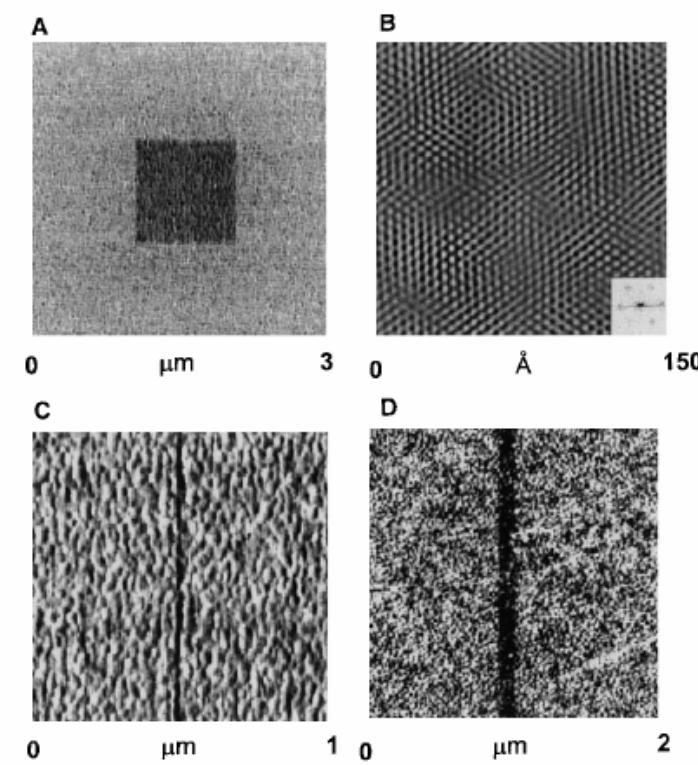


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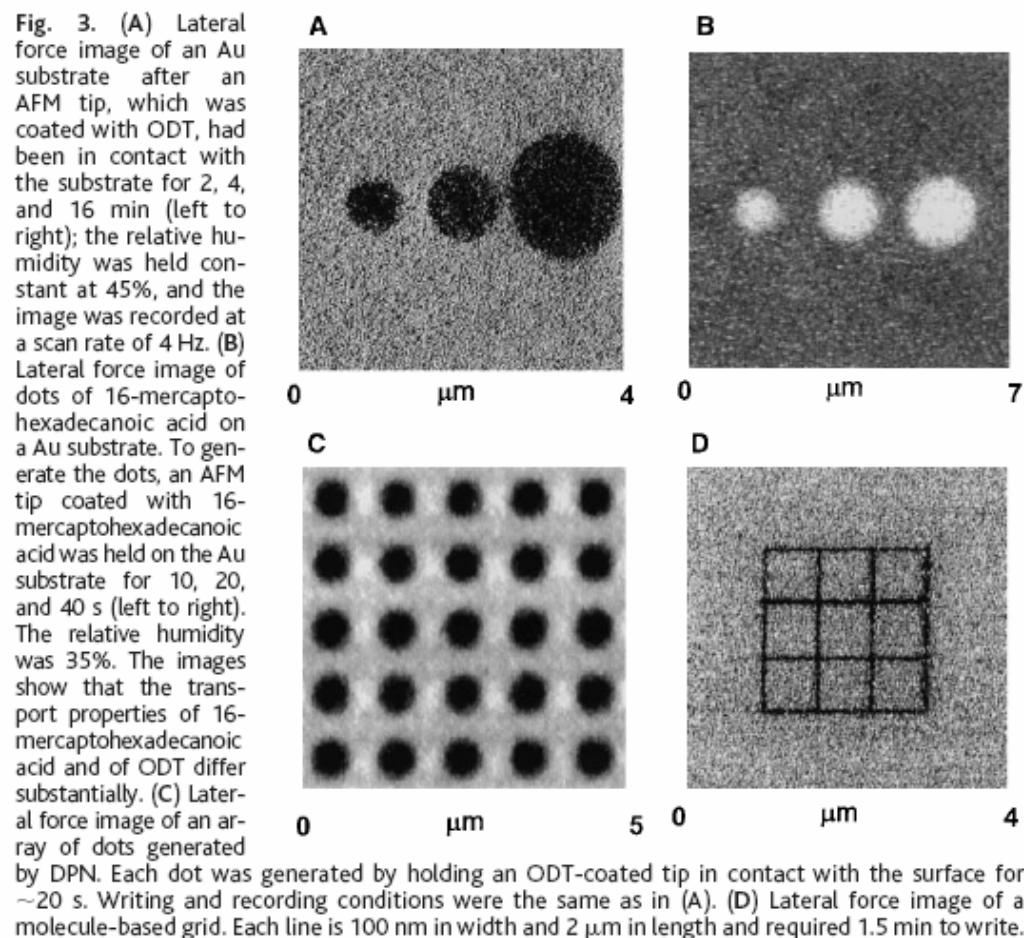
Fig. 2. (A) Lateral force image of a square of ODT measuring 1  $\mu\text{m}$  by 1  $\mu\text{m}$ , deposited onto a Au substrate by DPN. This pattern was generated by scanning the 1- $\mu\text{m}^2$  area at a scan rate of 1 Hz for a period of 10 min at a relative humidity of 39%. Then the scan size was increased to 3  $\mu\text{m}$ , and the scan rate was increased to 4 Hz while the image was recorded. The faster scan rate prevents ODT transport. (B)



lattice-resolved, lateral force image of an ODT SAM deposited onto Au(111)/mica by DPN. The image has been filtered with a fast Fourier transform (FFT), and the FFT of the raw data is shown in the lower right insert. The monolayer was generated by scanning a 1000  $\text{\AA}$  square area of the Au(111)/mica five times at a rate of 9 Hz at 39% relative humidity. (C) Lateral force image of a 30-nm-wide line (3  $\mu\text{m}$  long) deposited onto Au/mica by DPN. The line was generated by scanning the tip in a vertical line repeatedly for 5 min at a scan rate of 1 Hz. (D) Lateral force image of a 100-nm line deposited on Au by DPN. The method of depositing this line is analogous to that used to generate the image in (C), but the writing time was 1.5 min. In all images, darker regions correspond to areas of relatively lower friction.

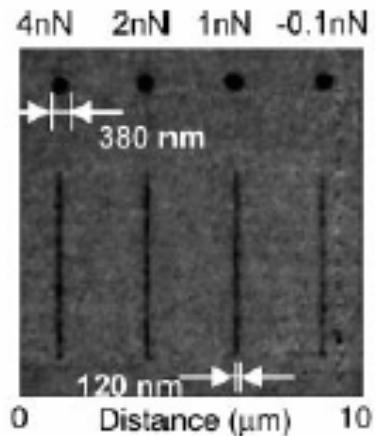


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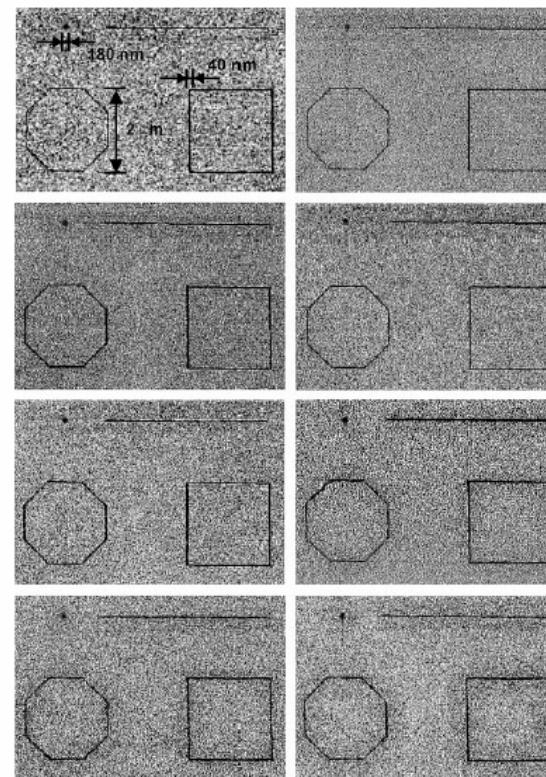
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**Fig. 1.** Lateral force microscopy (LFM) images of ODT monolayer nanodot and line features on gold generated by the same tip but under different tip-substrate contact forces. Feature sizes vary less than 10%.

**Fig. 4.** LFM images of eight identical patterns generated with one imaging tip and eight writing tips coated with ODT molecules.



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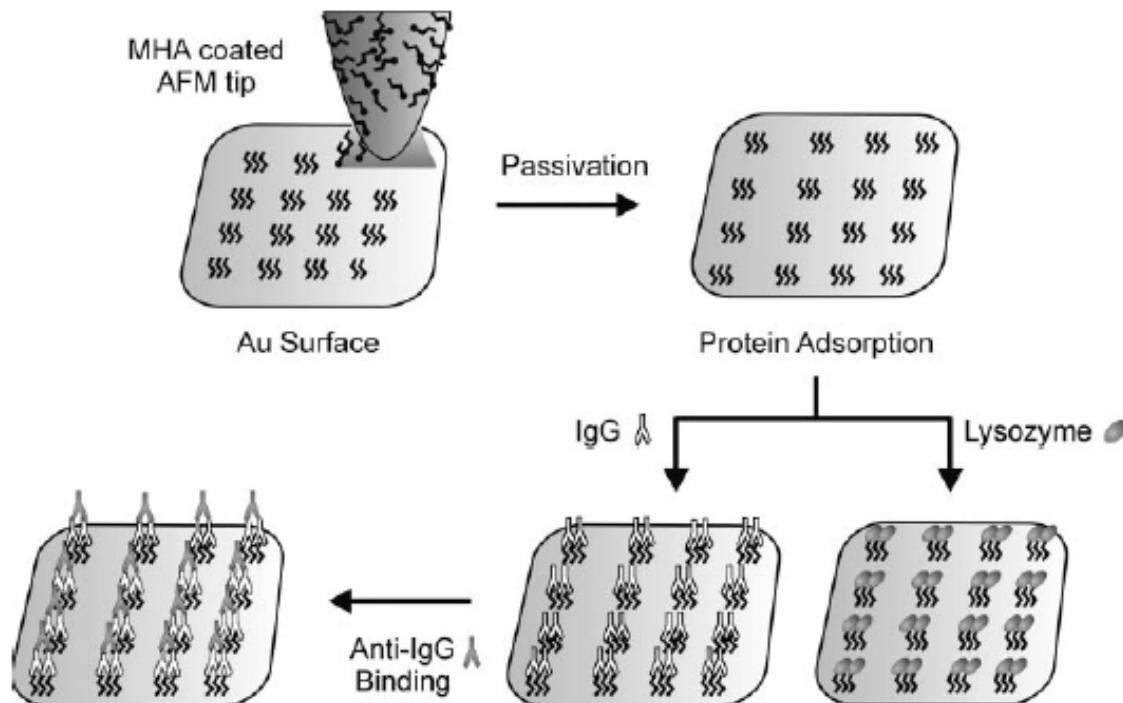
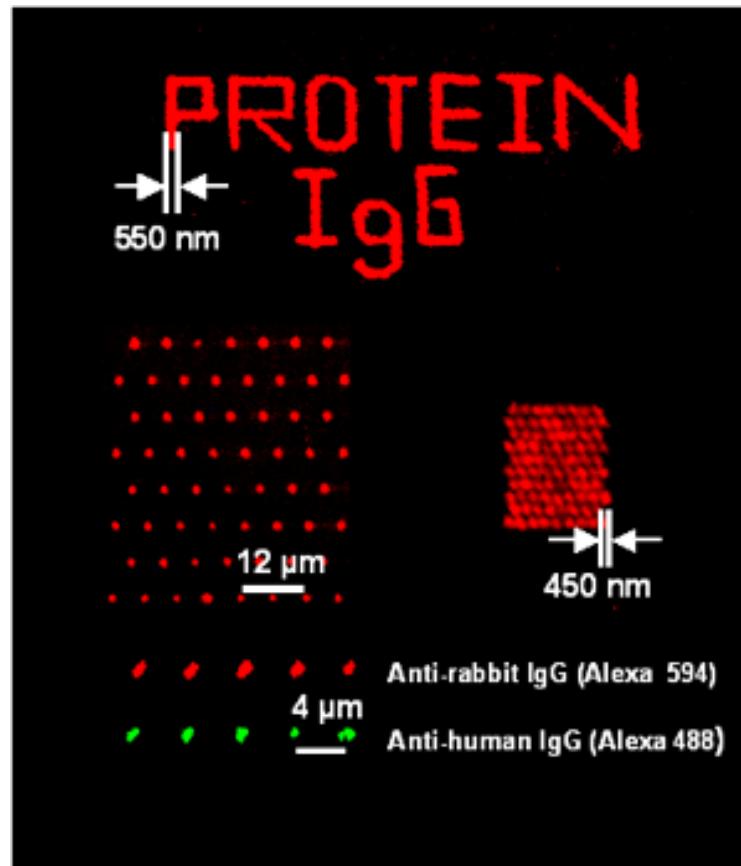


Fig. 2. Diagram of proof-of-concept experiments, in which proteins were absorbed on preformed MHA patterns. The resulting protein arrays were then characterized by AFM.



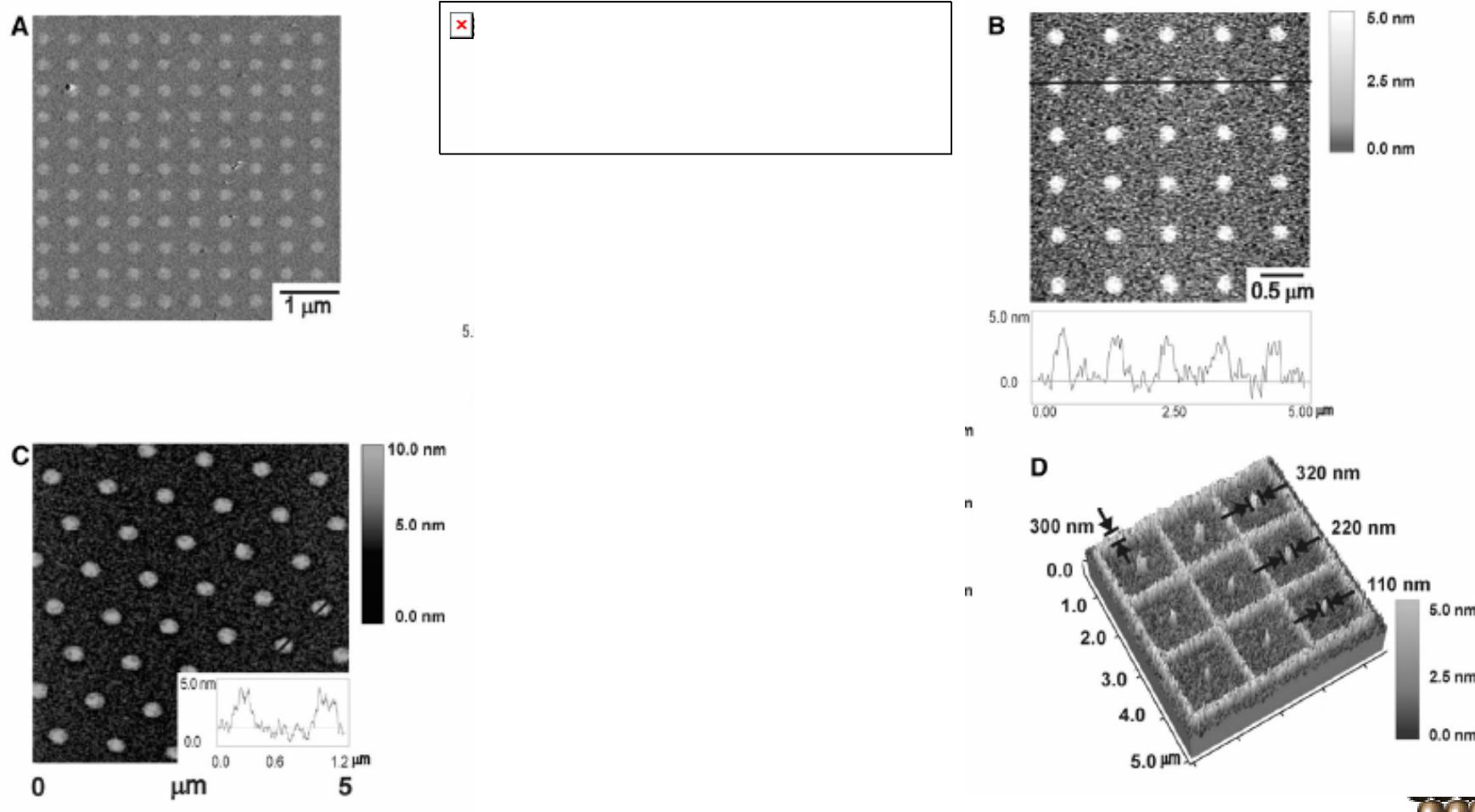
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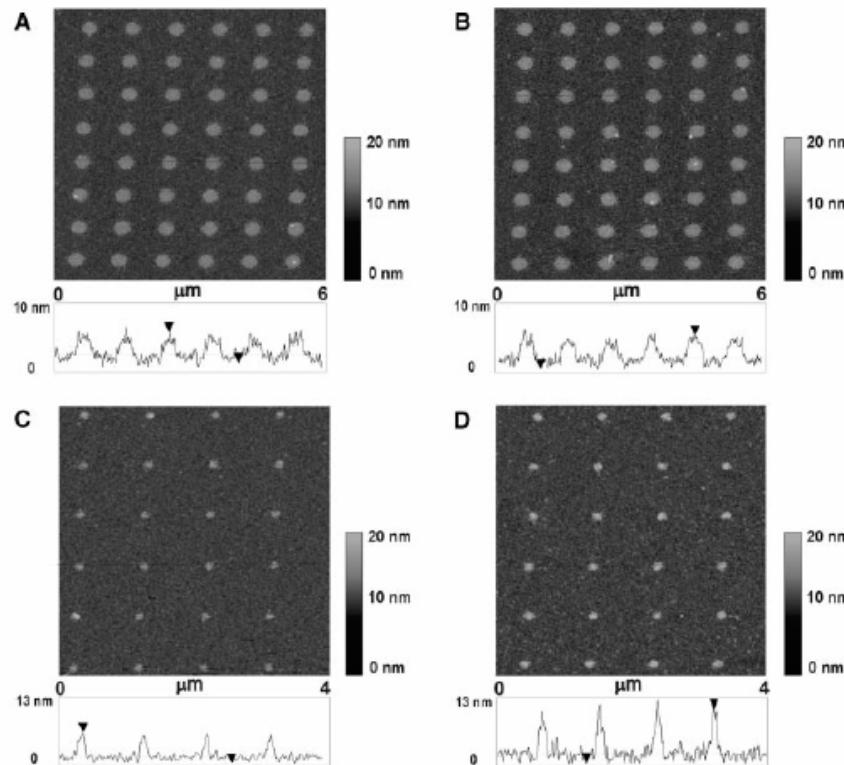


Fig. 3. AFM tapping mode image and height profile of rabbit IgG assembled onto an MHA dot array generated by DPN before (A) and after (B) exposure to a solution containing lysozyme, Retronectin, goat/sheep anti-IgG, and human anti-IgG. An IgG nanoarray before (C) and after (D) treatment with a solution containing lysozyme, goat/sheep anti-IgG, human anti-IgG, and rabbit anti-IgG. All images were taken at a 0.5-Hz scan rate in tapping mode.



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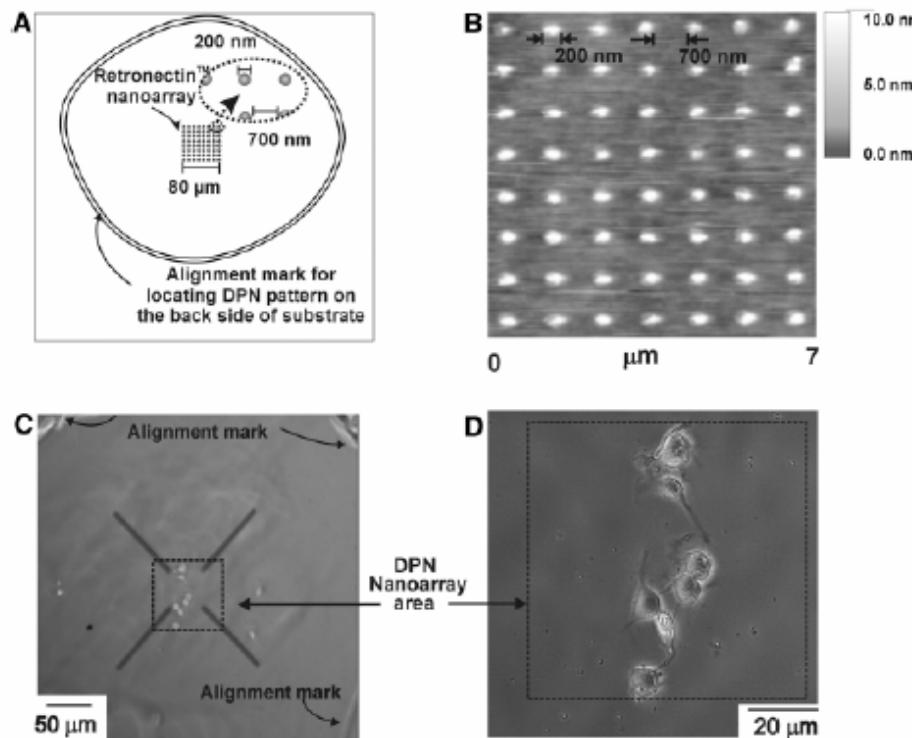


Fig. 4. (A) Diagram describing the cell adhesion experiment on the DPN-generated pattern. The total patterned area is  $6400 \mu\text{m}^2$ . The alignment marks were generated by scratching a circle into the backside of the Au-coated glass substrate. (B) Topography image (contact mode) of the Retronectin protein array. Imaging conditions were the same as in Fig. 1B. (C) Large-scale optical microscope image showing the localization of cells in the nanopatterned area. (D) Higher resolution optical image of the nanopatterned area, showing intact cells.



# Dip-Pen Array

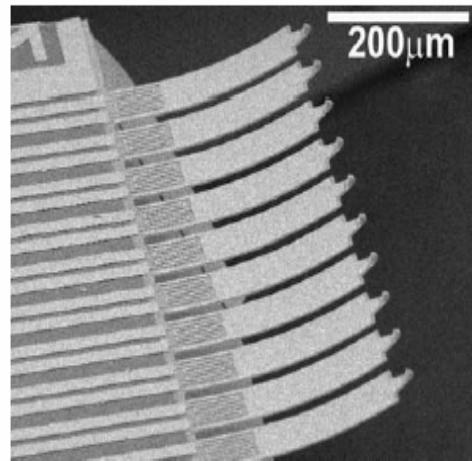


FIG. 2. An array of ten thermally actuated DPN probes showing the power lead and heater layout. Each probe is 300  $\mu\text{m}$  long, 80  $\mu\text{m}$  wide, and 1.3  $\mu\text{m}$  thick.

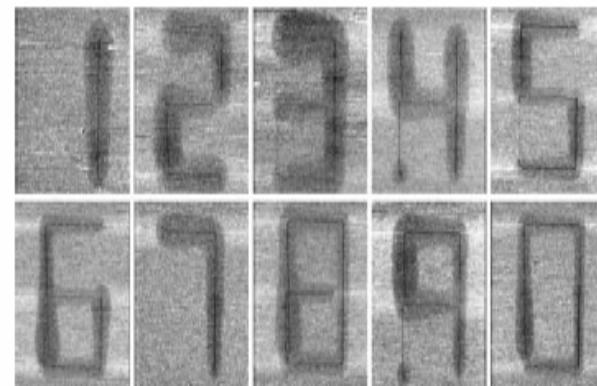
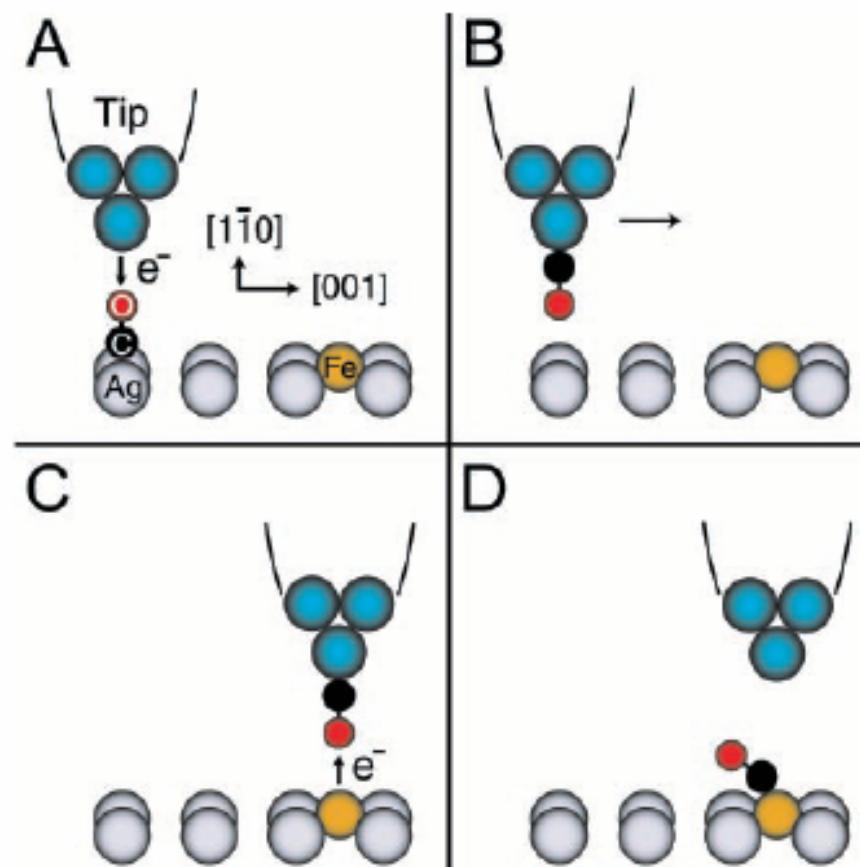


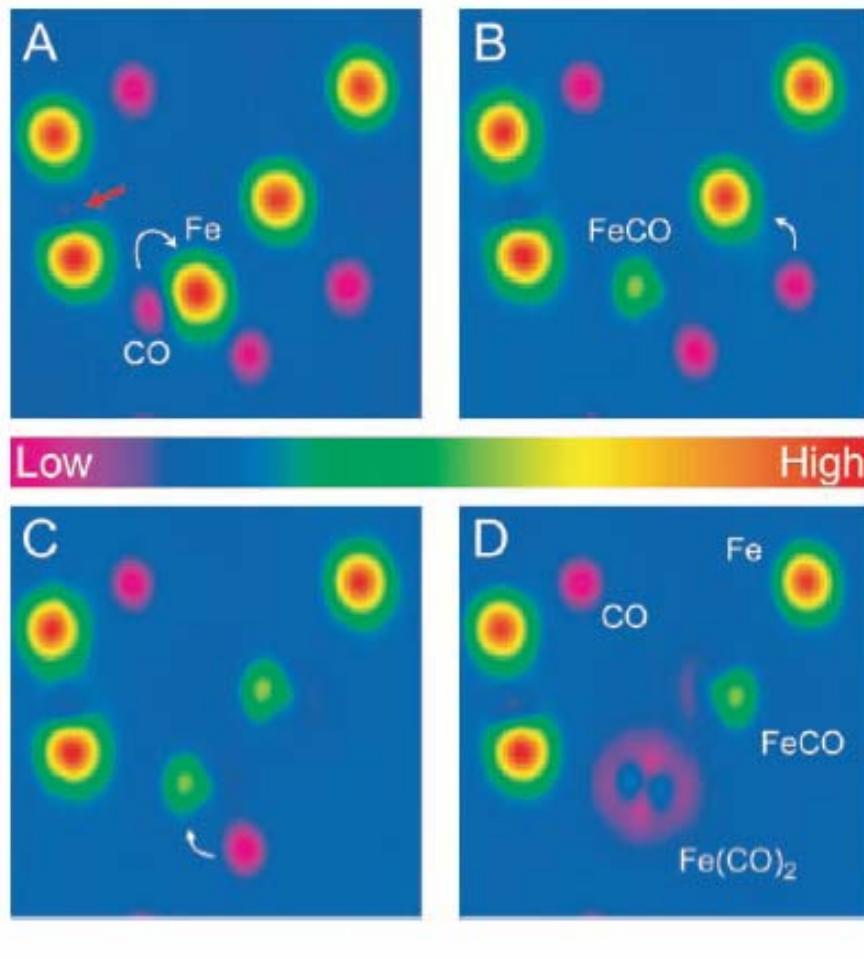
FIG. 4. LFM scans, 8  $\mu\text{m}$  square, of ten simultaneously generated ODT patters on a gold surface. Each numeral is 6  $\mu\text{m}$  tall, 4  $\mu\text{m}$  wide, and was written at 1  $\mu\text{m}/\text{s}$ .



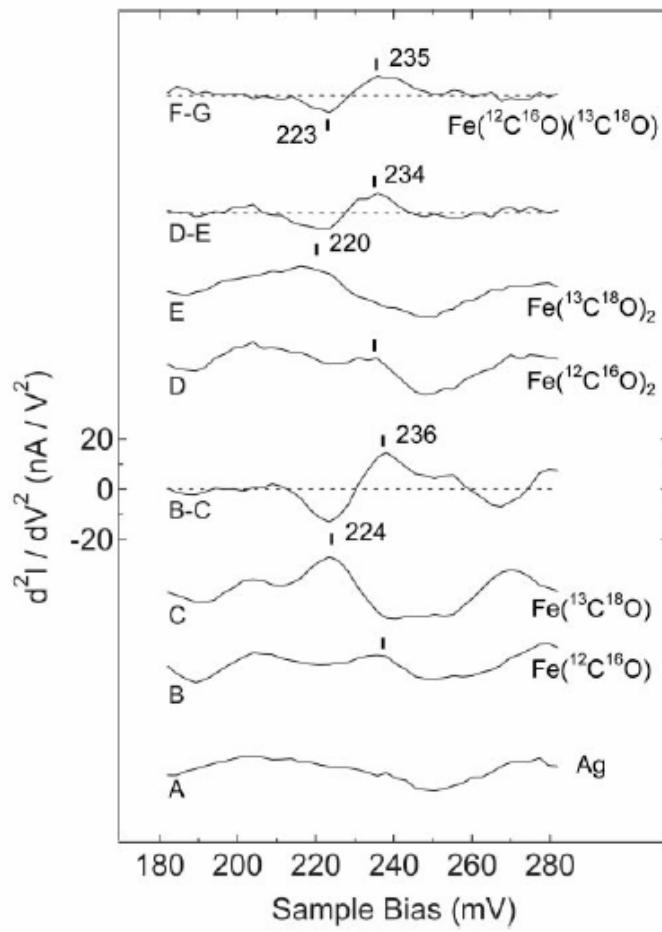
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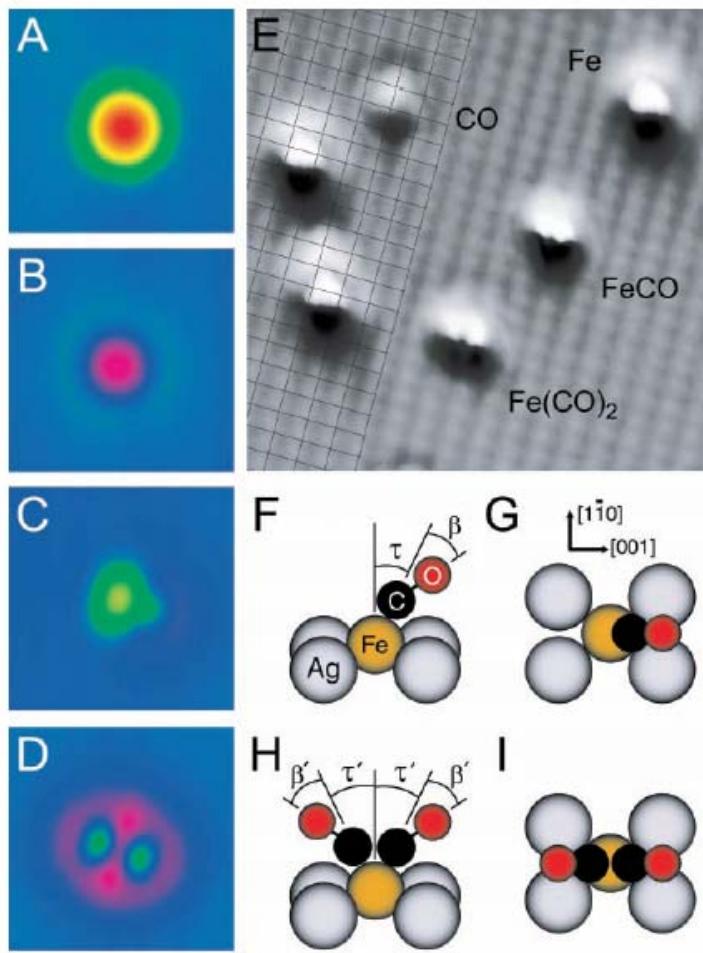
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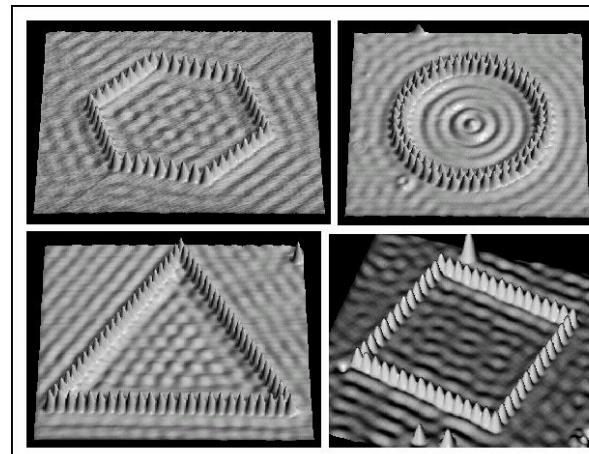
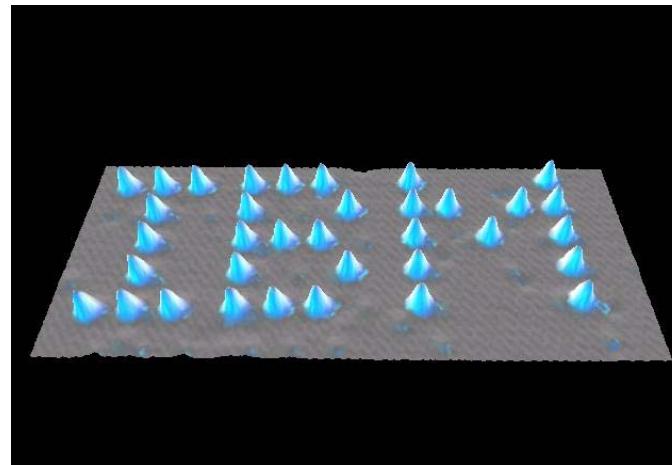
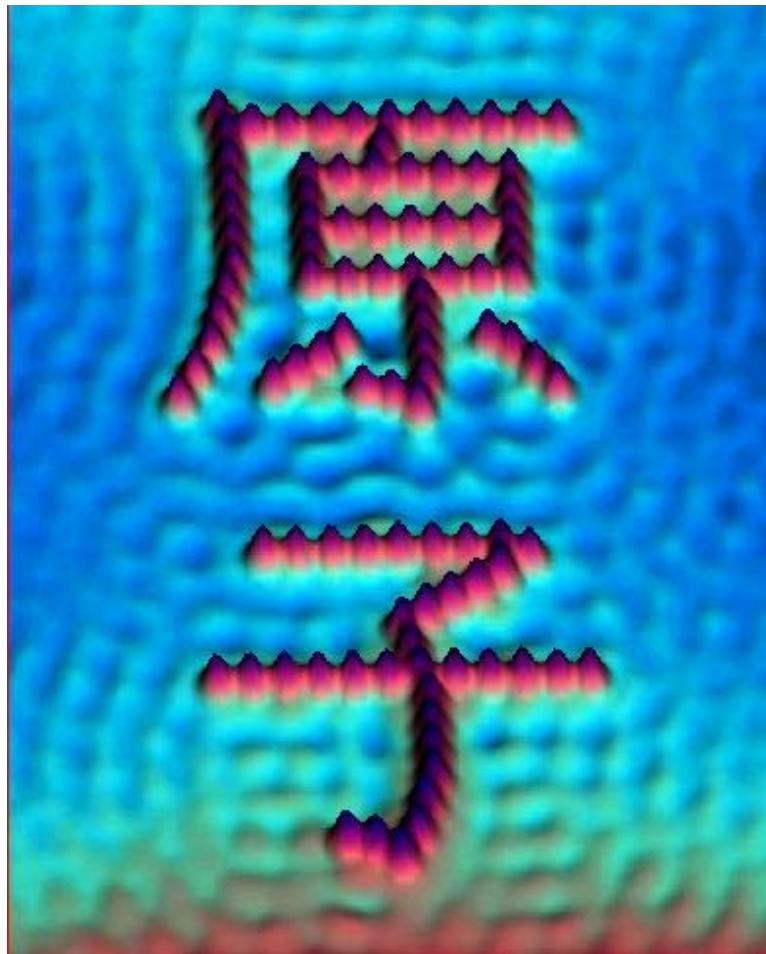
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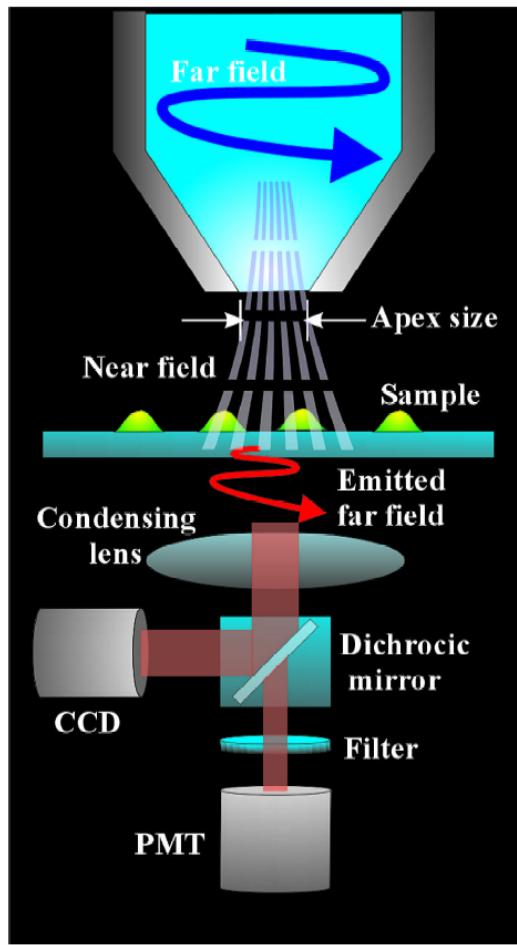
# Building Molecule Step by Step



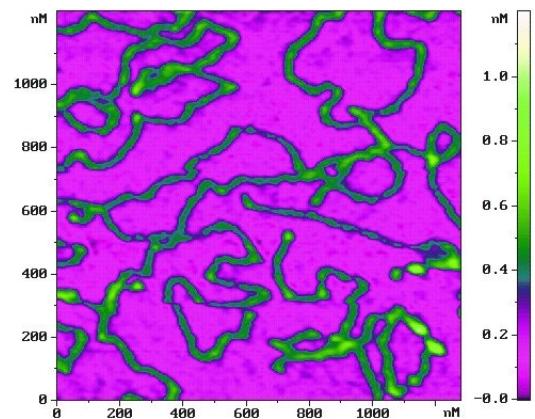
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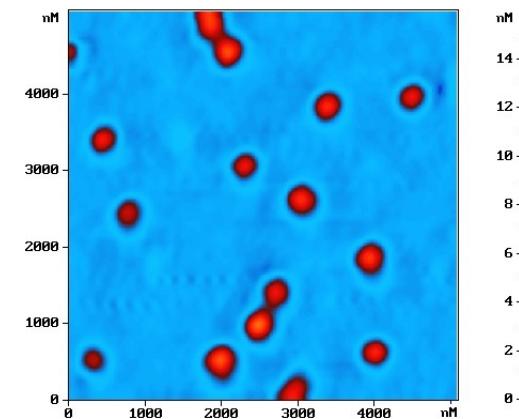
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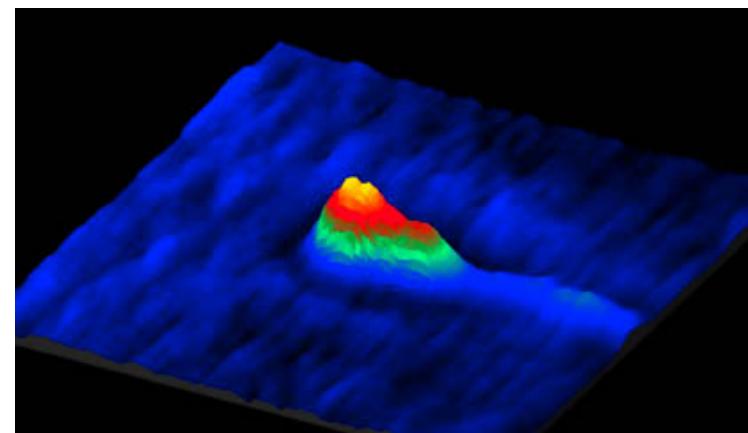
# Near-Field Images



DNA



Nanosphere



Sperm



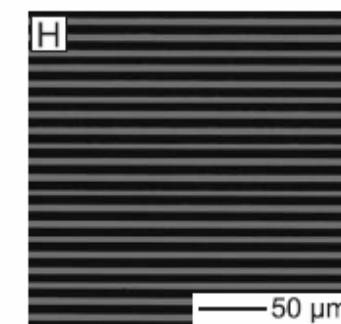
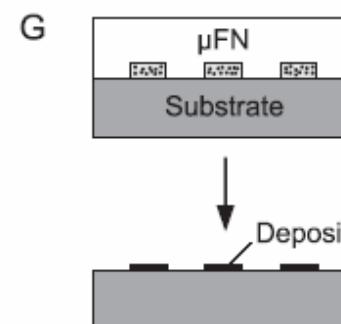
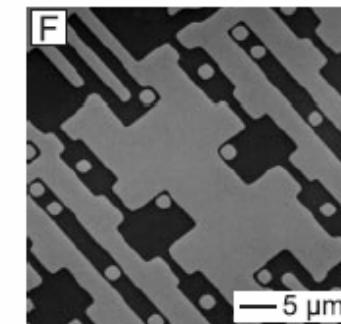
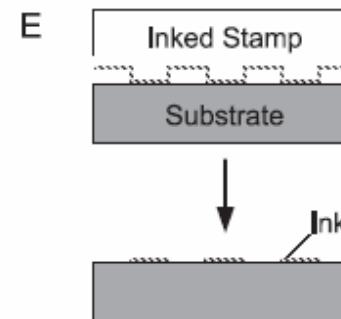
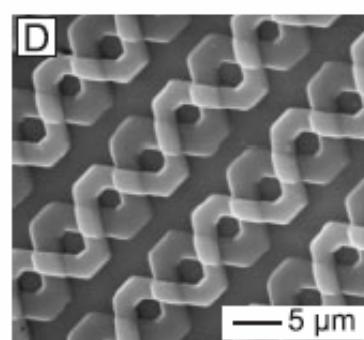
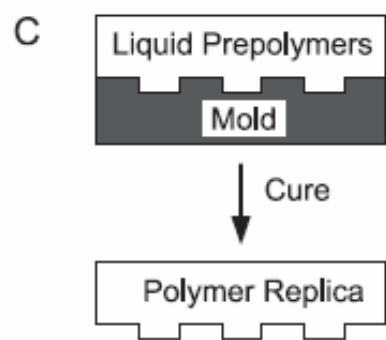
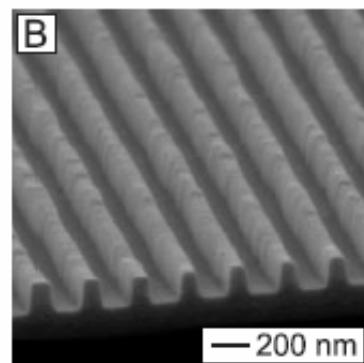
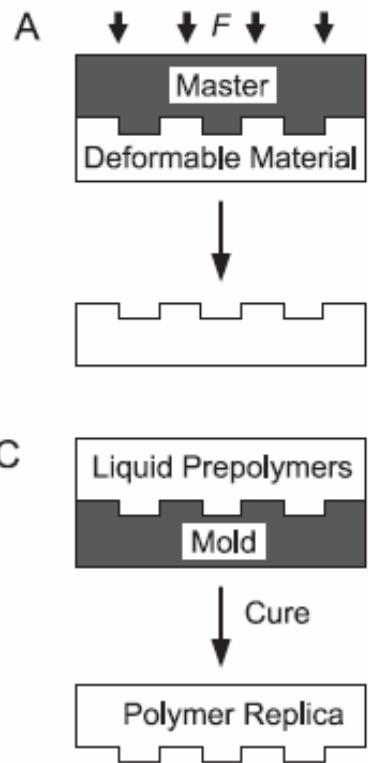
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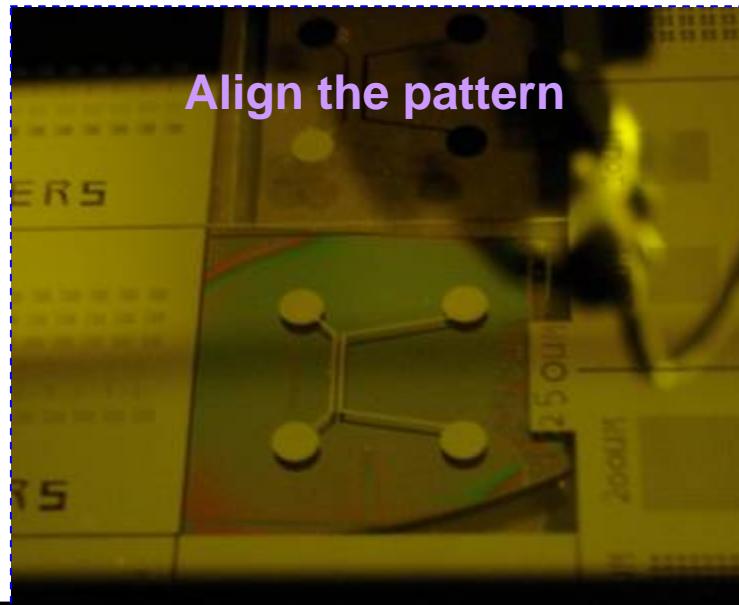
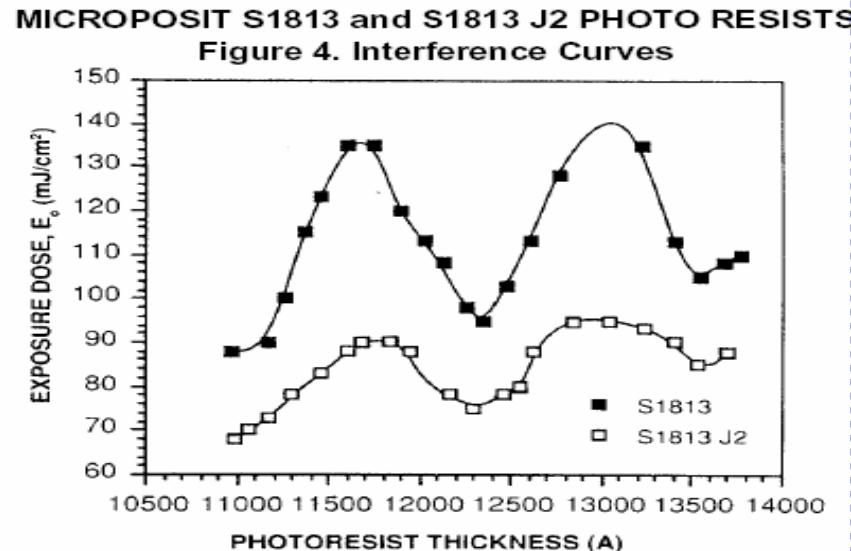
Figure 2. TappingMode image of a lithography test pattern. The Aurora-3 used nanolithography software to write into S1805 photoresist. 25  $\mu$ m scan.



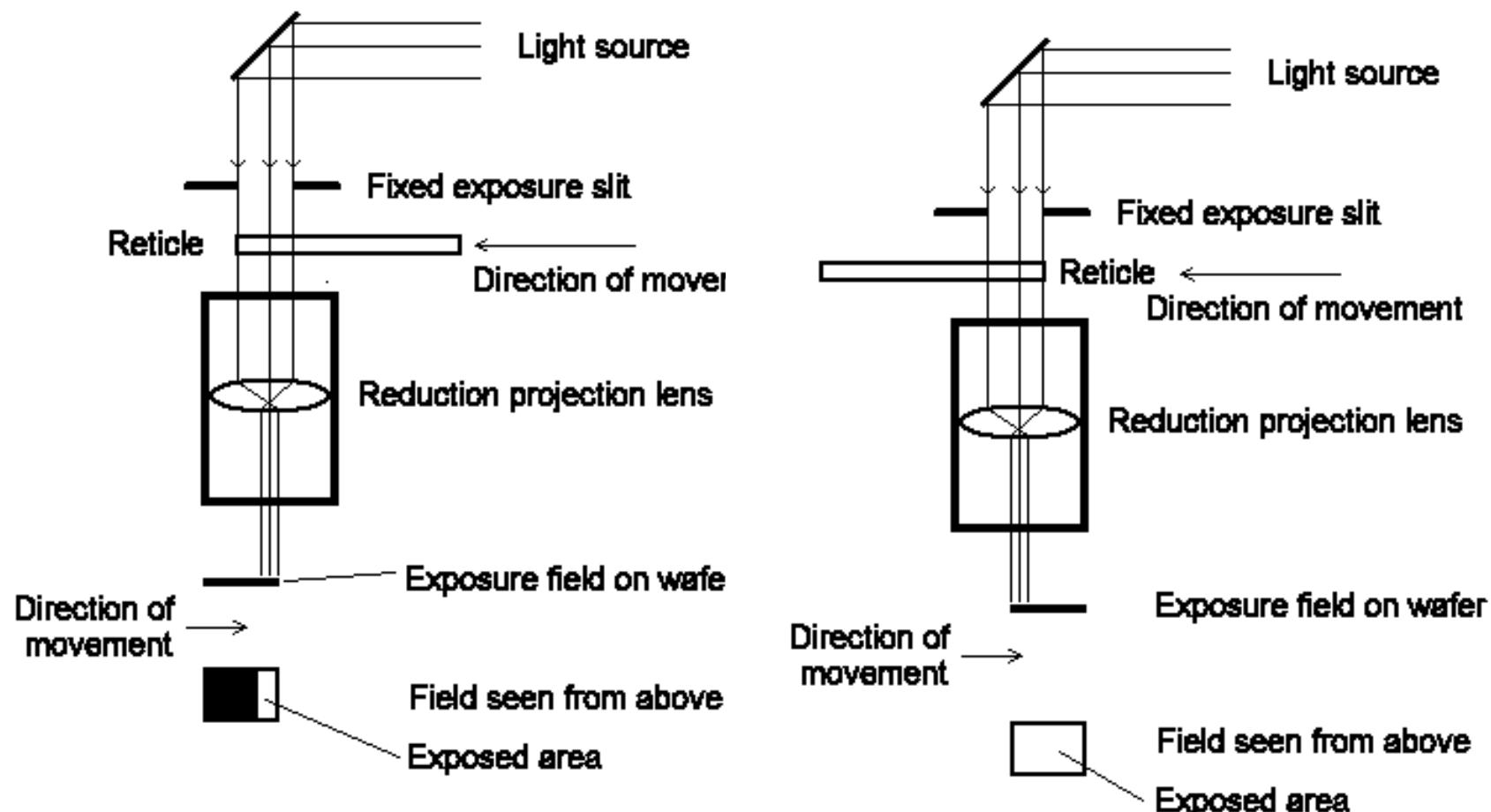
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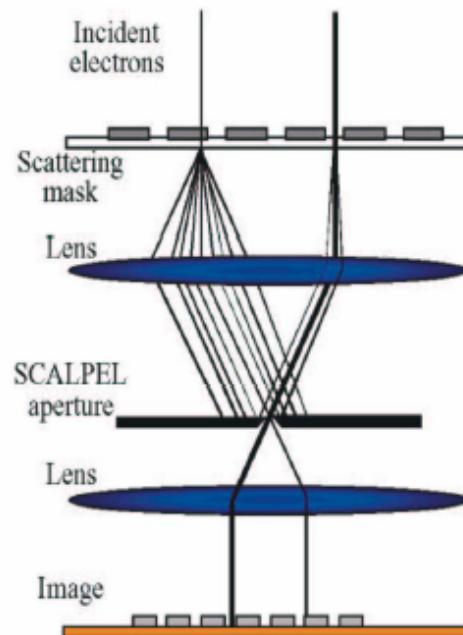
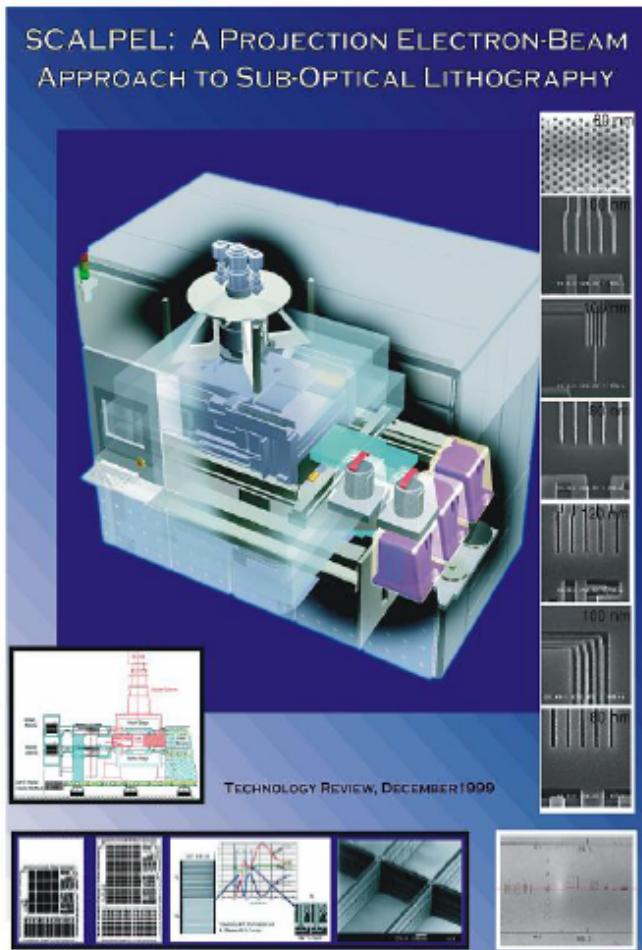
# Align the pattern and Exposure



# Stepper



# E-beam Projection



Bell Lab (1999)

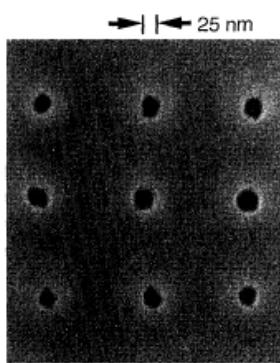
There 'was' a consortium including Applied Materials, Inc. and ASM Lithography Holding N.V.; Lucent Technologies Inc.; Motorola, Semiconductor Products Sector; Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.; and Texas Instruments Incorporated (TI).



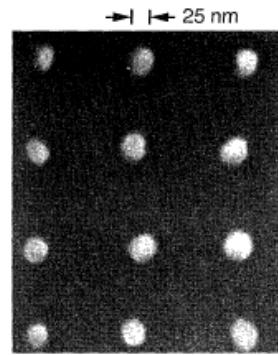
## Imprint Lithography with 25-Nanometer Resolution

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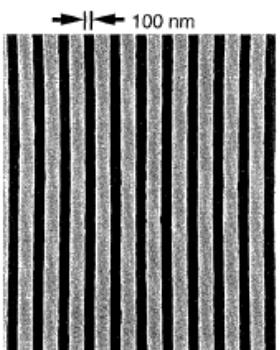
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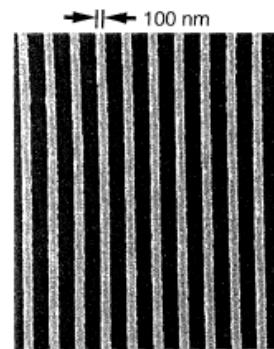
**Fig. 2.** SEM micrograph of a top view of holes 25 nm in diameter with a period of 120 nm, formed by compression molding into a PMMA film.



**Fig. 5.** SEM micrograph of the substrate in Fig. 2, after deposition of metal and a lift-off process. The diameter of the metal dots is 25 nm, the same as that of the original holes created in the PMMA.



**Fig. 3.** SEM micrograph of a top view of trenches 100 nm wide with a period of 250 nm, formed by compression molding into a PMMA film.

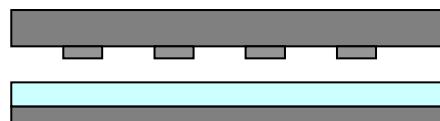


**Fig. 6.** SEM micrograph of the substrate in Fig. 3, after deposition of metal and a lift-off process. The metal linewidth is 100 nm, the same as the width of the original PMMA trenches.

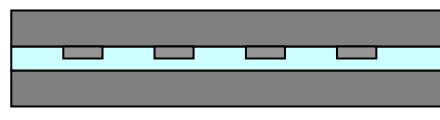


# Nanoimprint Lithography

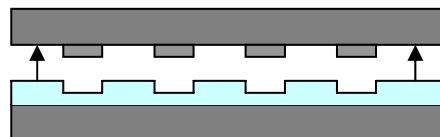
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Substrate



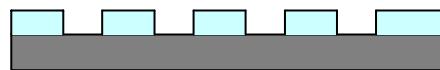
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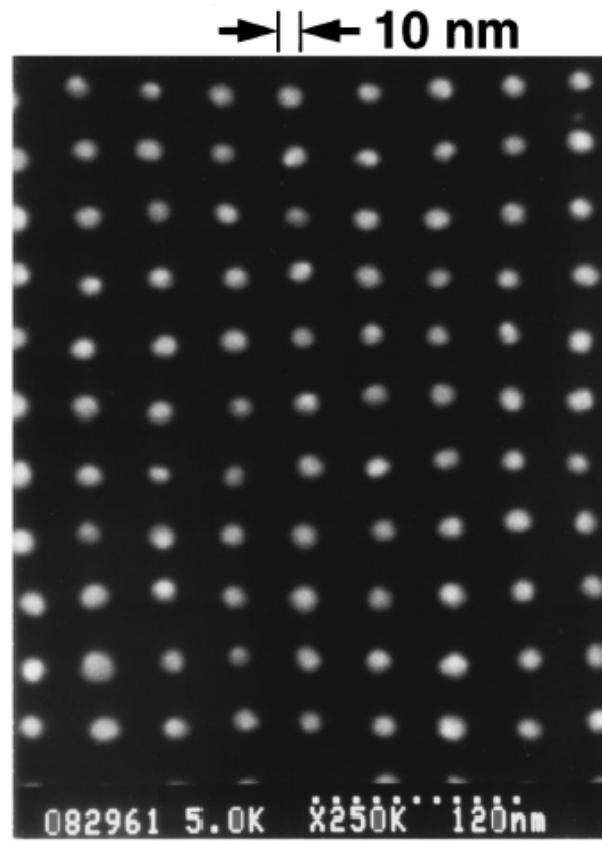
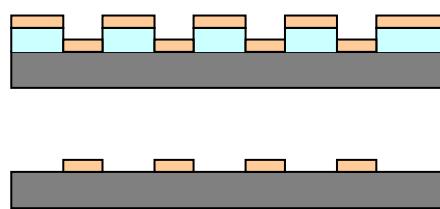
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Mold



RIE



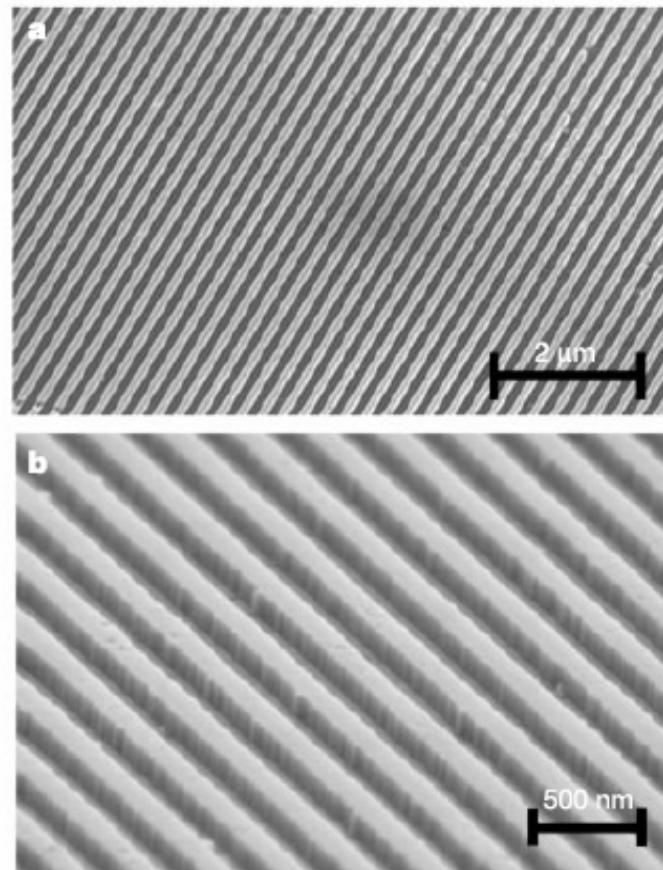
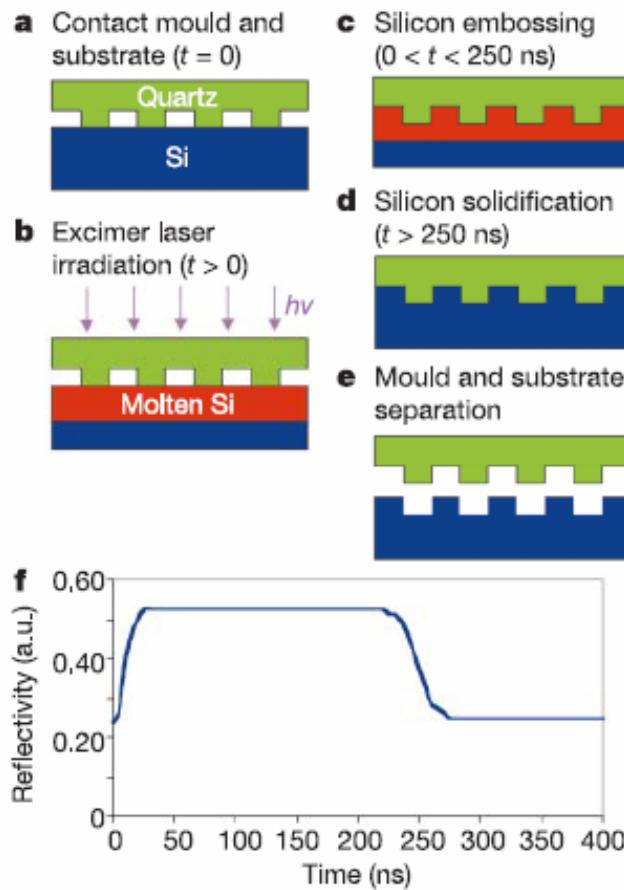
Evaporation  
Lift-off



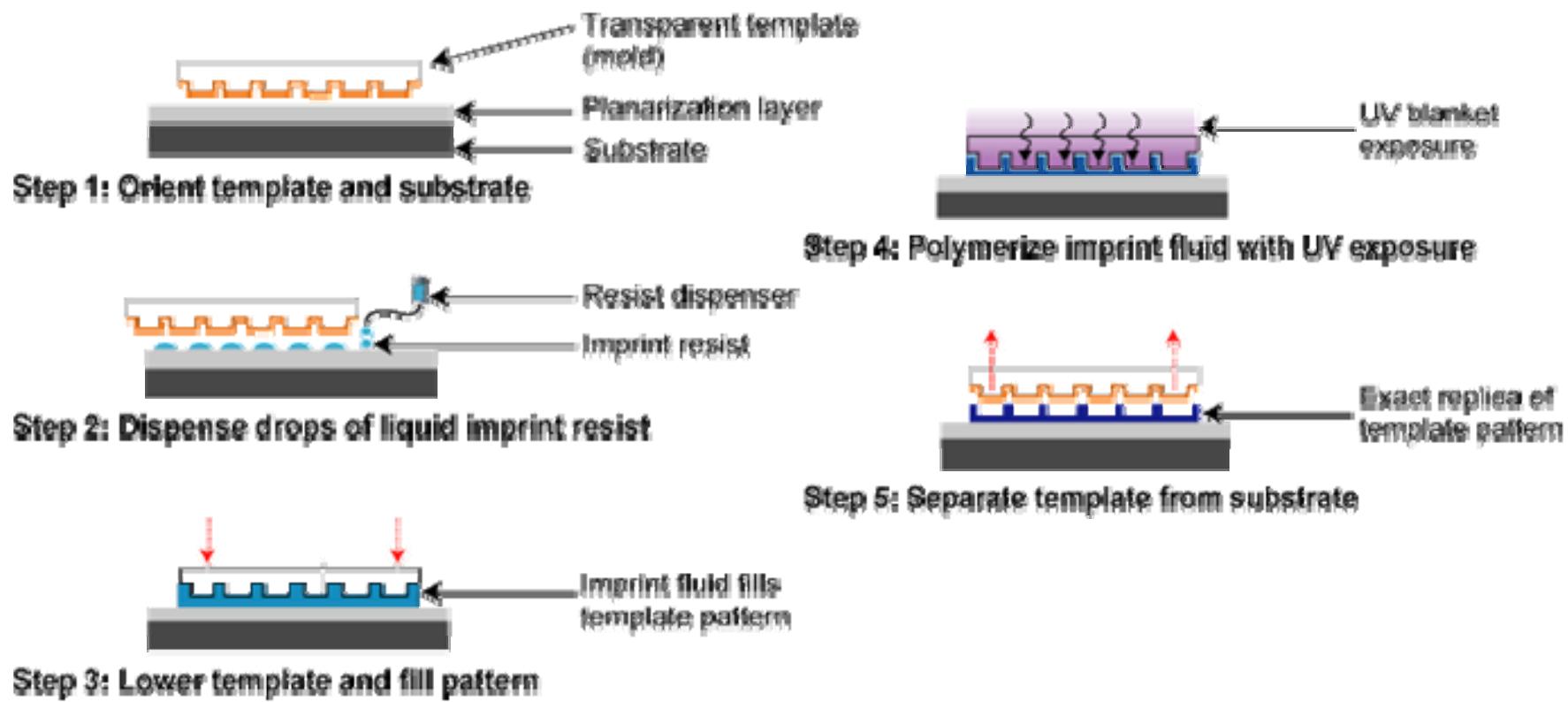
# Ultrafast and direct imprint of nanostructures in silicon

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Stephen Y. Chou\*, Chris Keimel & Jian Gu



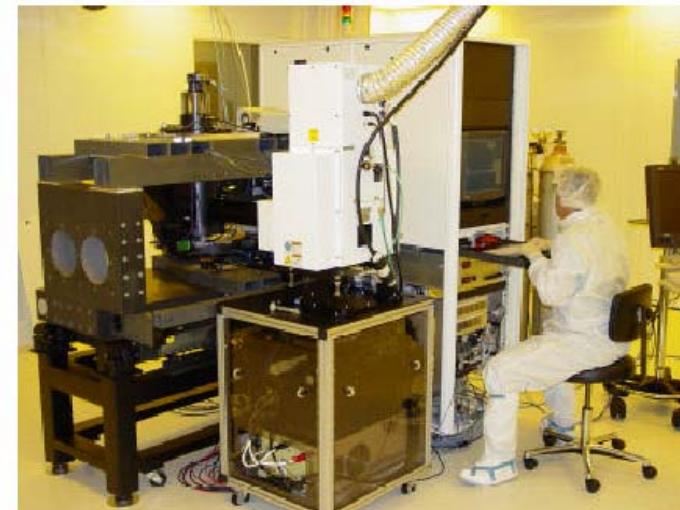
# Step and Flash Imprint Lithography



# Nanoimprintors



**NX-2000, Nanoimprintor, Nanonex**



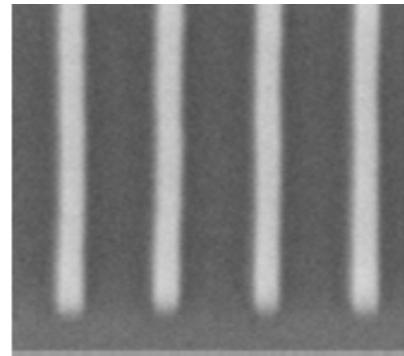
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**Molecular Imprints, Inc.™**

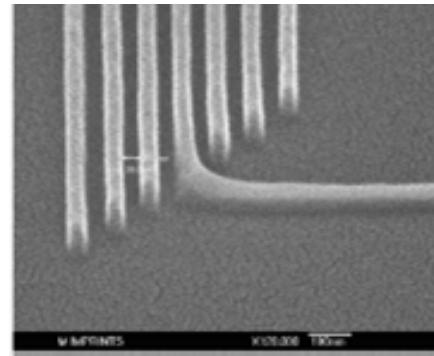
- Resolution: Sub-50 nanometers, imprint template (mold) limited.
- Alignment: < 500 nm,  $3\sigma$  (X, Y, and Rotation).
- Flexibility: Handles up to 8 inch wafers, including fragile substrates.
- Field size: 25 x 25 mm full active print area, 100  $\mu\text{m}$  street width.



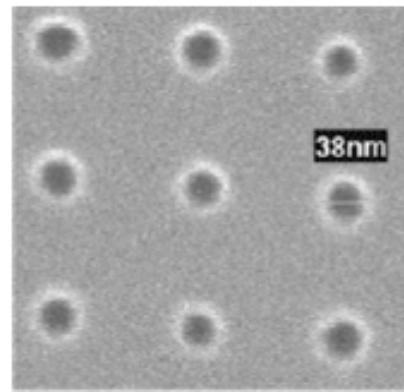
# Imprinting Result



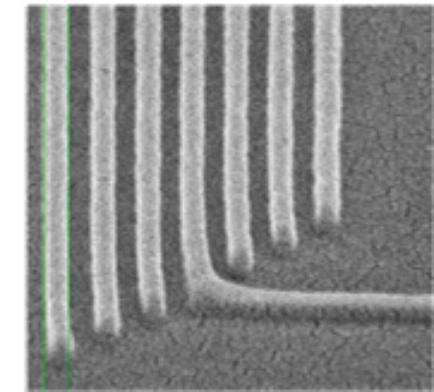
Imprinted 20 nm isolated lines



Imprinted 30 nm dense lines



Imprinted sub-40 nm contacts



Imprinted 60 nm dense lines

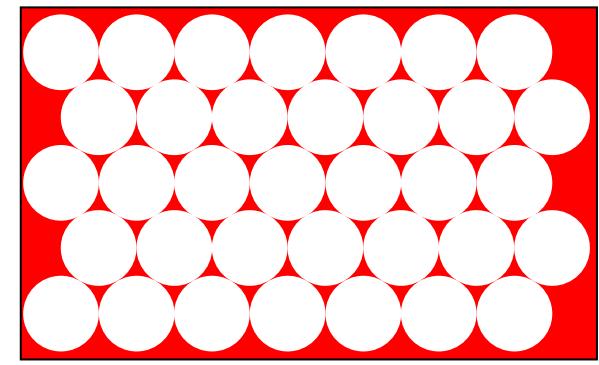
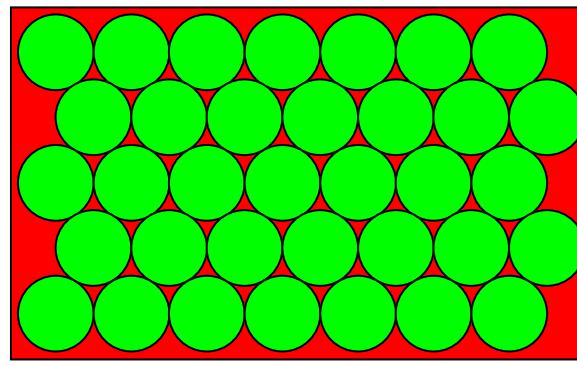
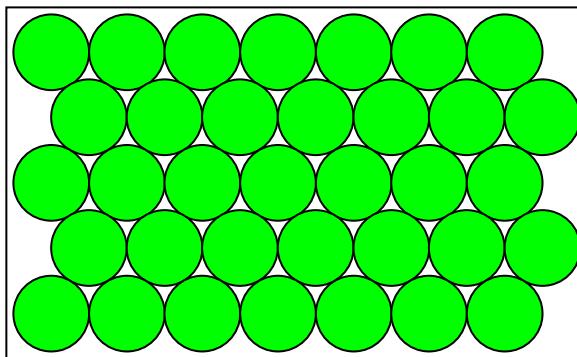


# Challenges

- Mask Fabrication (1:1)
- Lift-off process
- Resist
- Mask Design



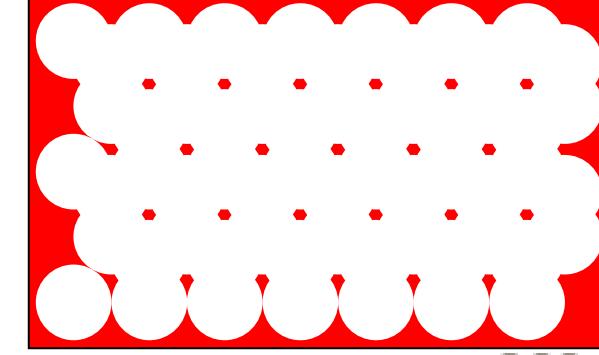
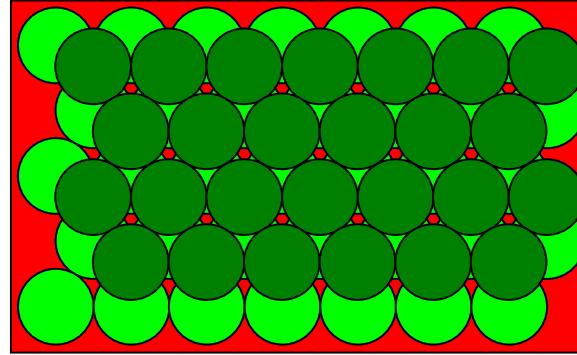
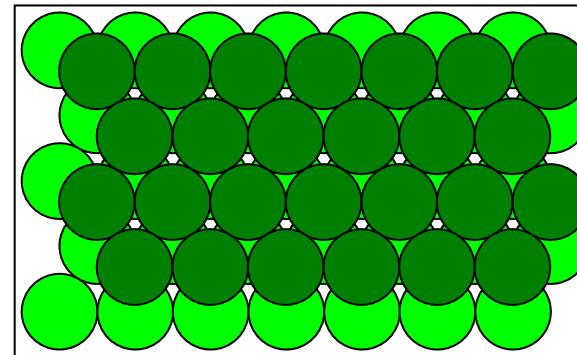
# Nanosphere Lithography



Single layer →

Metal deposition →

Lift-off



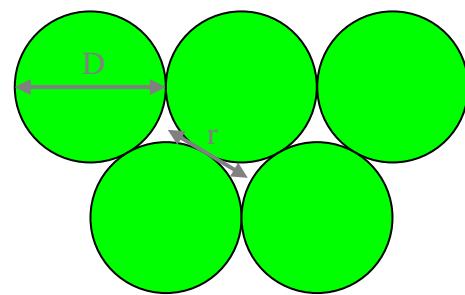
Double layer

Metal deposition

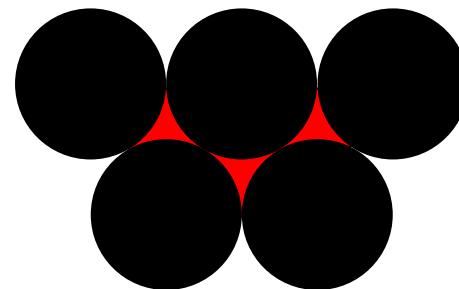
Lift-off



# Array Dimension

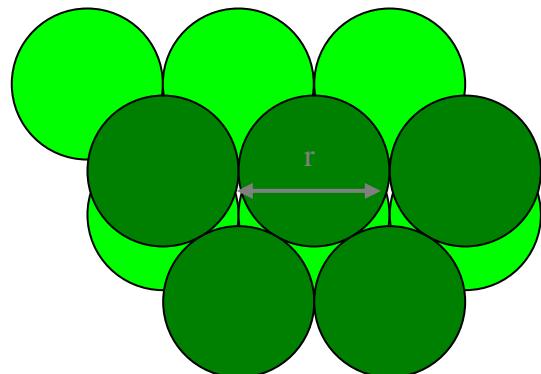


$$r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}D$$

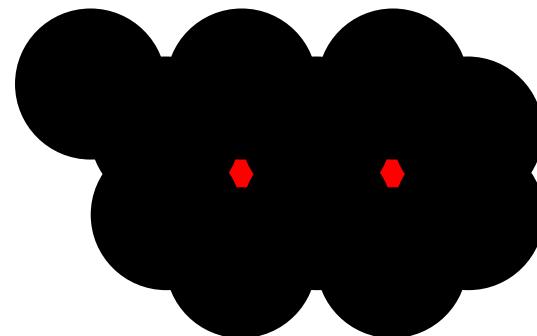


$$a = \frac{3}{2} \left( \sqrt{3} - 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) D$$

$\sim 1/4 D$



$$r = D$$



$$a = \left( \sqrt{3} - 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) D$$

$\sim 1/7 D$



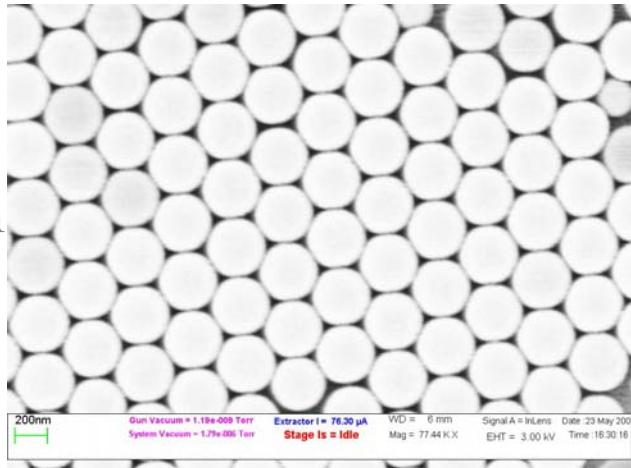
# Optical Image of PS Template

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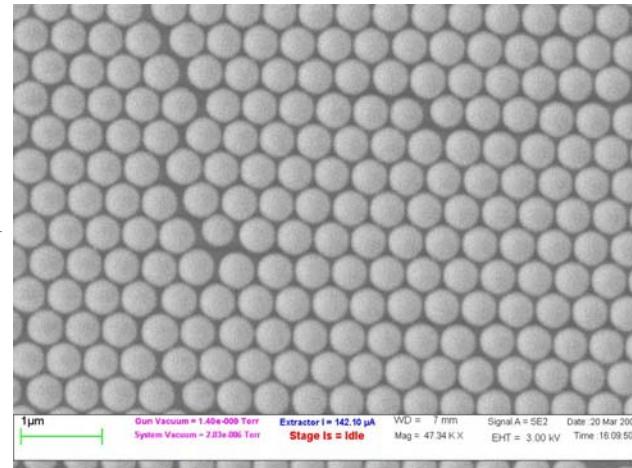


# Nanosphere Lithography

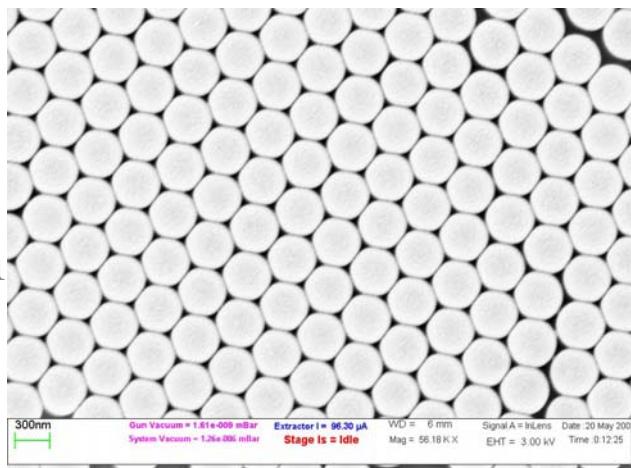
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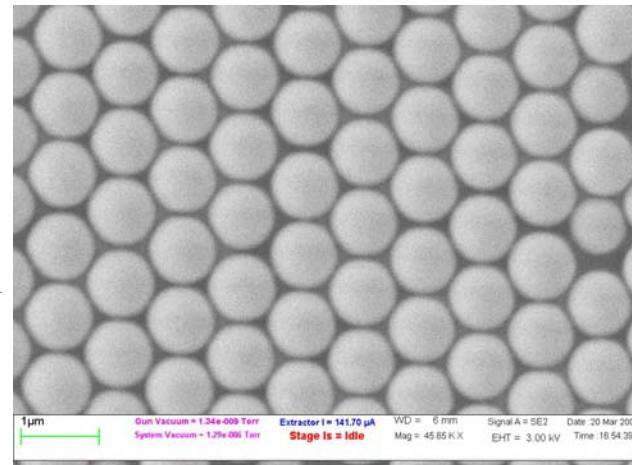
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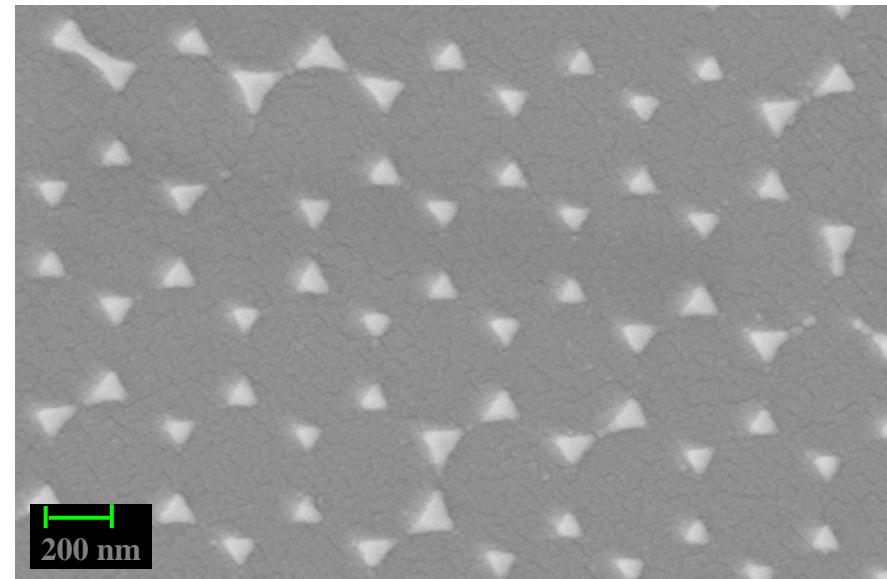
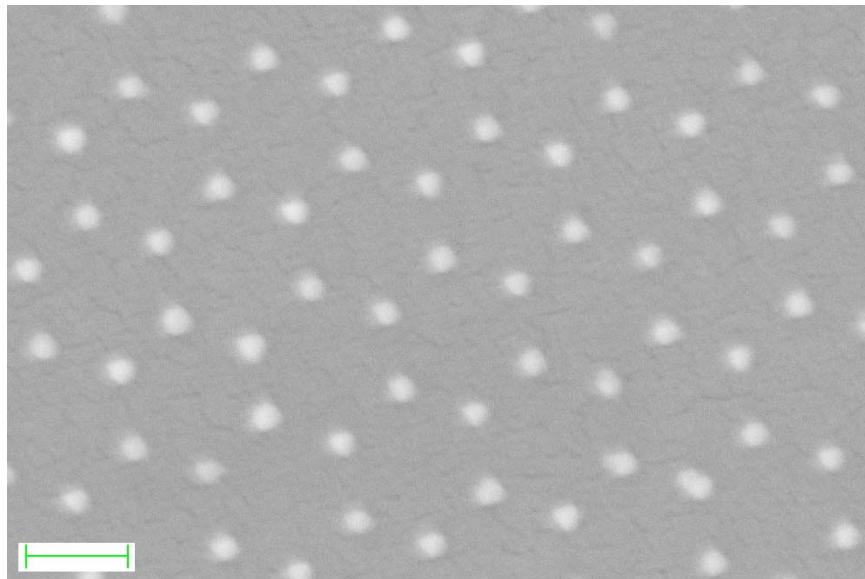
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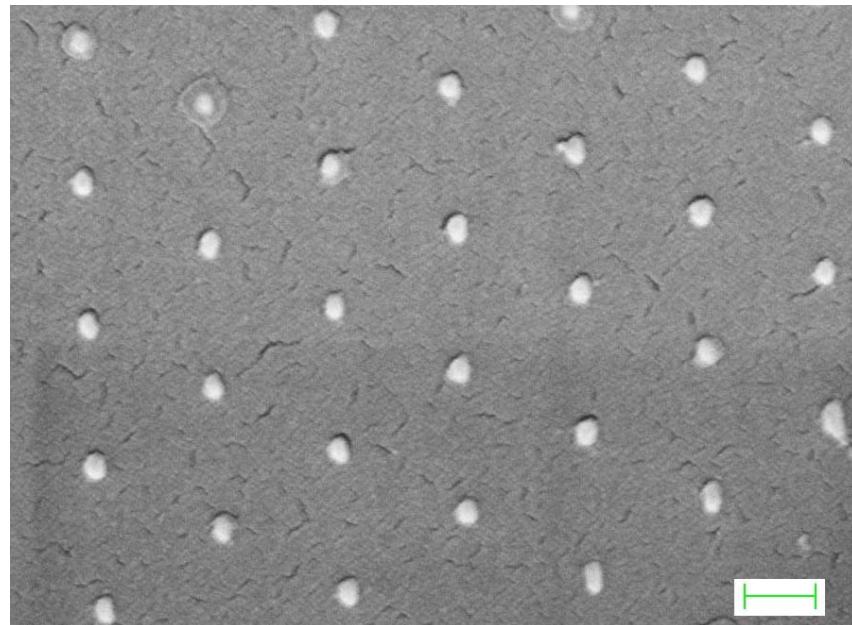
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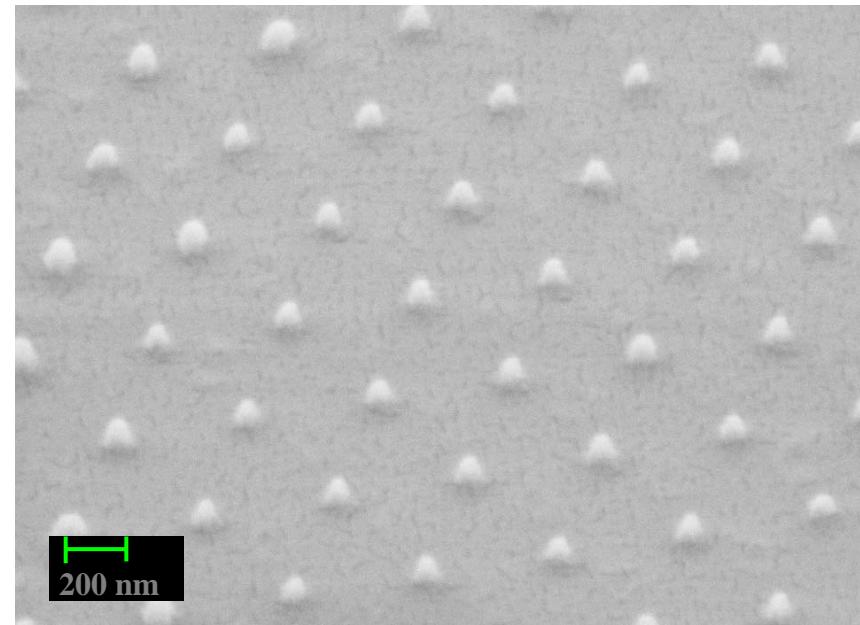
# Single Layer Templates



# Double Layer Templates



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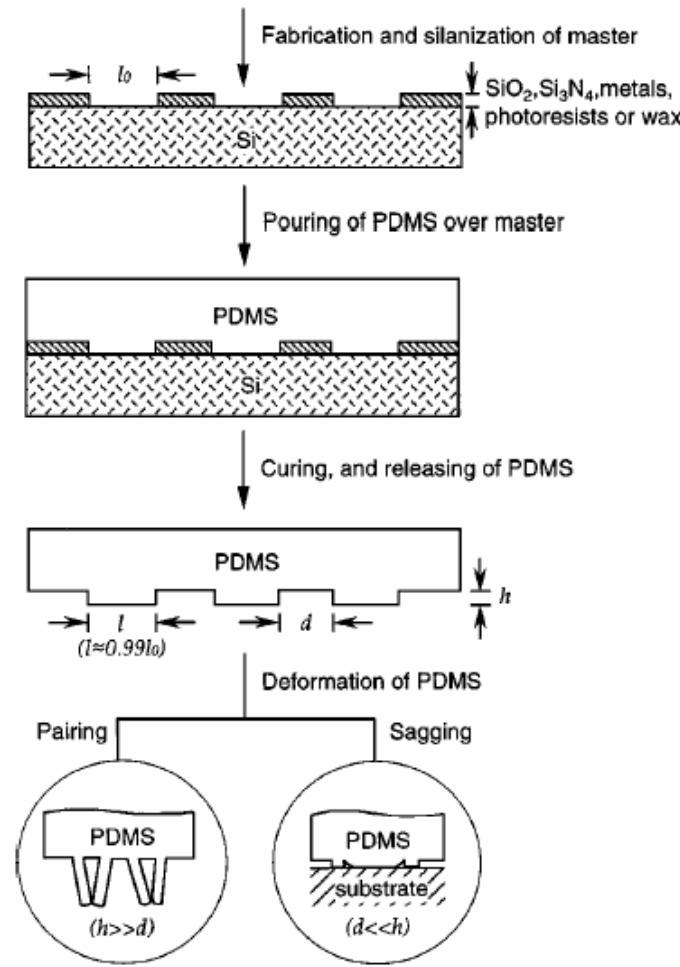


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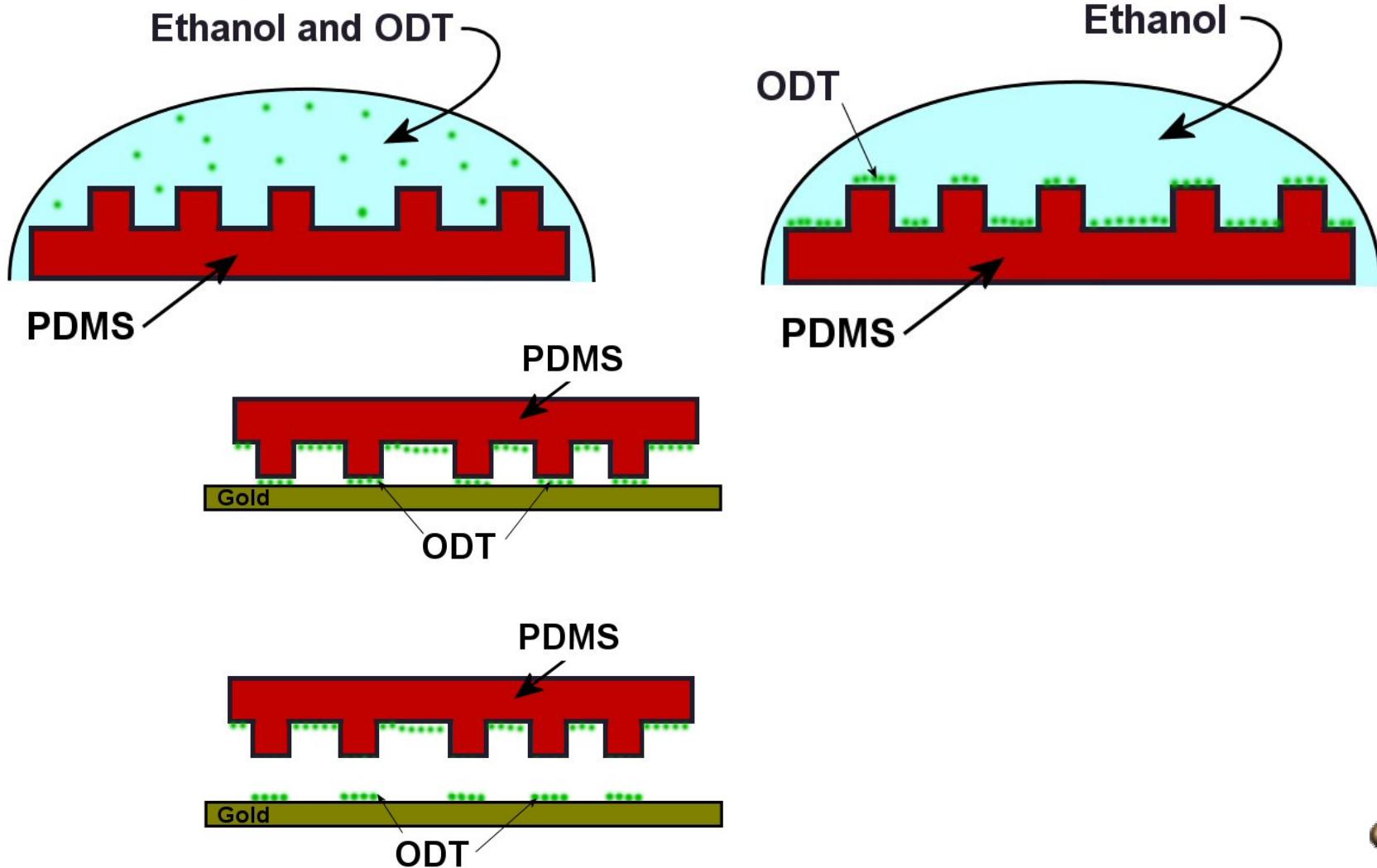


# Soft Lithography

*Annu. Rev. Mater. Sci. 1998. 28:153–84*



# Soft Lithography



**Table 1** Comparison between photolithography and soft lithography

	Photolithography	Soft lithography
Definition of patterns	Rigid photomask (patterned Cr supported on a quartz plate)	Elastomeric stamp or mold (a PDMS block patterned with relief features)
Materials that can be patterned directly	Photoresists (polymers with photo- sensitive additives)  SAMs on Au and SiO <sub>2</sub>	Photoresists <sup>a,e</sup>  SAMs on Au, Ag, Cu, GaAs, Al, Pd, and SiO <sub>2</sub> <sup>a</sup> Unsensitized polymers <sup>b-e</sup> (epoxy, PU, PMMA, ABS, CA, PS, PE, PVC) Precursor polymers <sup>c,d</sup> (to carbons and ceramics) Polymer beads <sup>d</sup> Conducting polymers <sup>d</sup> Colloidal materials <sup>a,d</sup> Sol-gel materials <sup>c,d</sup> Organic and inorganic salts <sup>d</sup> Biological macromolecules <sup>d</sup>
Surfaces and structures that can be patterned	Planar surfaces 2-D structures	Both planar and nonplanar Both 2-D and 3-D structures
Current limits to resolution	~250 nm (projection) ~100 nm (laboratory)	~30 nm <sup>a,b</sup> , ~60 nm <sup>e</sup> , ~1 $\mu$ m <sup>d,e</sup> (laboratory)
Minimum feature size	~100 nm (?)	10 (?) - 100 nm

<sup>a-e</sup>Made by (a)  $\mu$ CP, (b) REM, (c)  $\mu$ TM, (d) MIMIC, (e) SAMIM. PU:polyurethane; PMMA:  
poly(methyl methacrylate); ABS: poly(acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene); CA: cellulose acetate; PS:  
polystyrene; PE: polyethylene; and PVC: poly(vinyl chloride)



# Micro-contact Printing

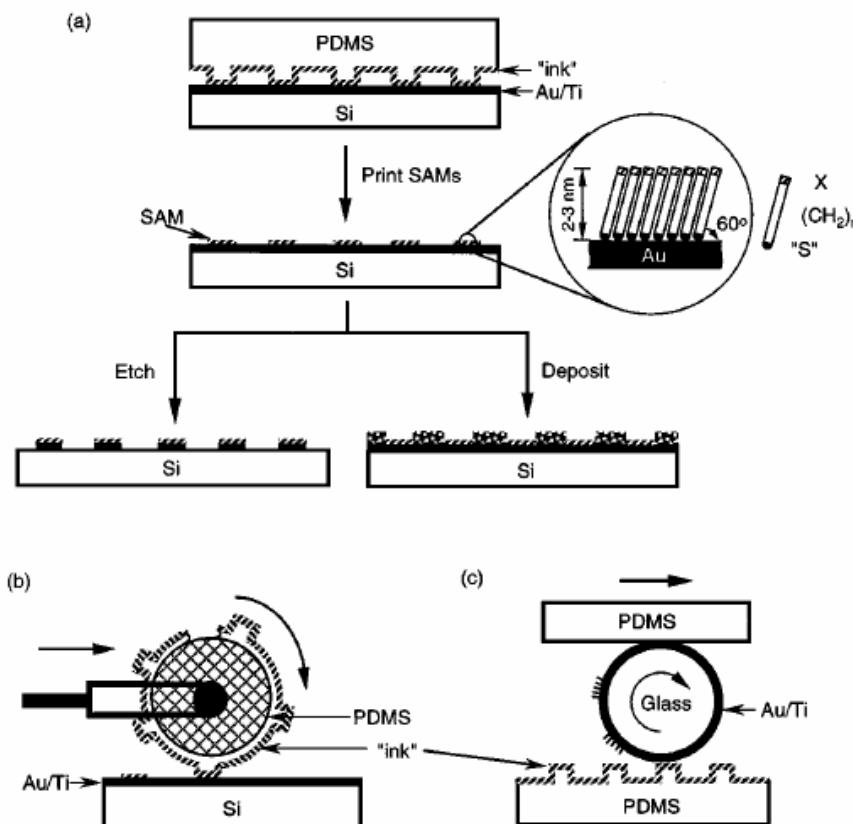


Figure 2 Schematic procedures for  $\mu$ CP of hexadecanethiol (HDT) on the surface of gold: (a) printing on a planar surface with a planar stamp (21), (b) printing on a planar surface over large areas with a rolling stamp (128), and (c) printing on a nonplanar surface with a planar stamp (174).



# Micro-contact Printing

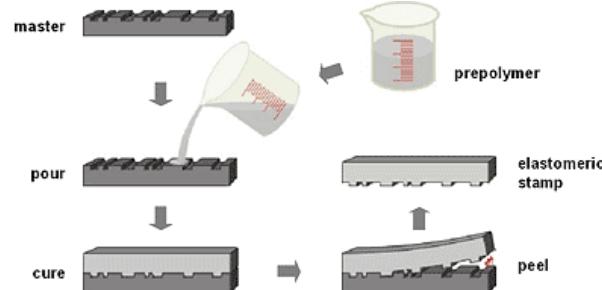


Fig.2 The stamp replication process: A master with a negative of the desired pattern is cast with a pre-polymer. After curing the polymer, the elastomeric stamp is peeled off the master and ready for microcontact printing.

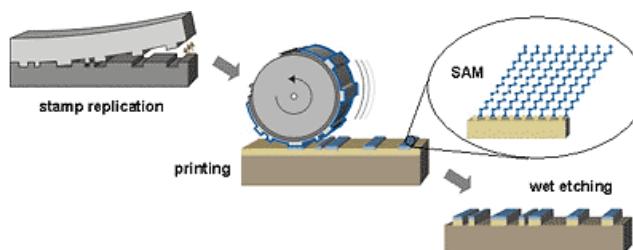
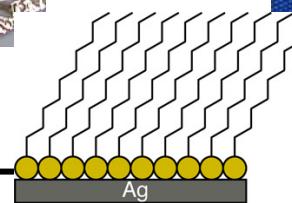
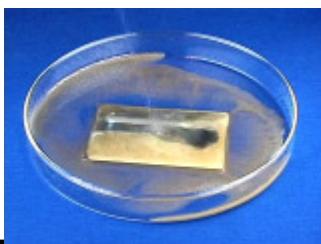
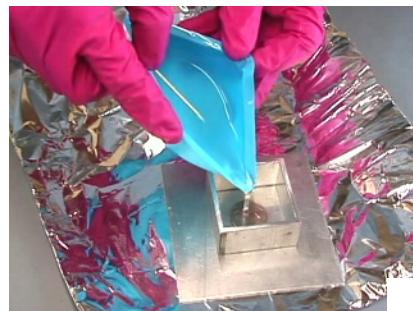
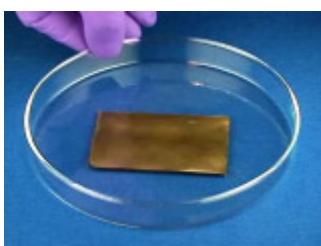
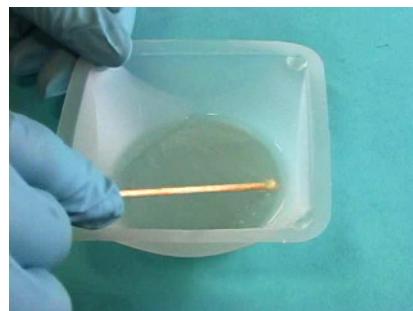
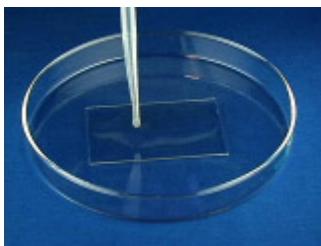


Fig.1 The microcontact printing ( $\mu$ CP) process: An elastomeric stamp is replicated from a master. After inking of the stamp with a suitable ink, it is fixated on a printing machine with help of which it is brought into conformal contact with a substrate. There the ink forms a self-assembled monolayer (SAM) which can be used as a resist in a subsequent wet etching step.

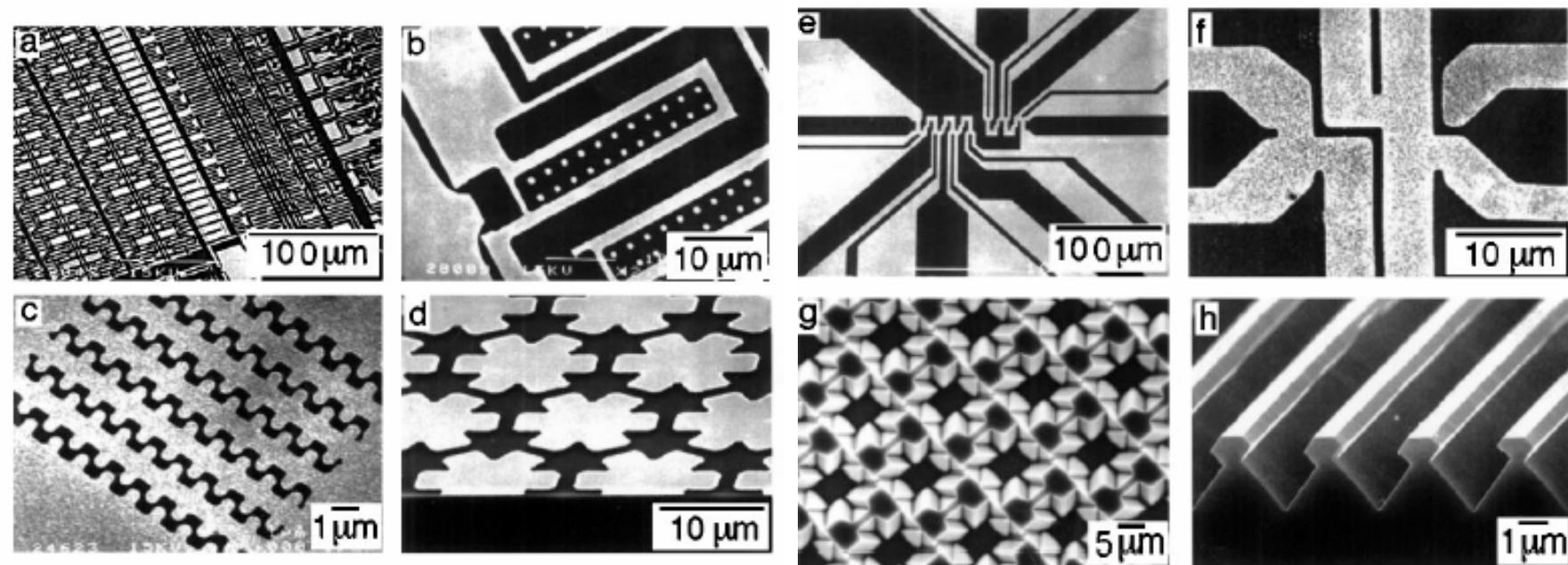


# Micro-contact Printing

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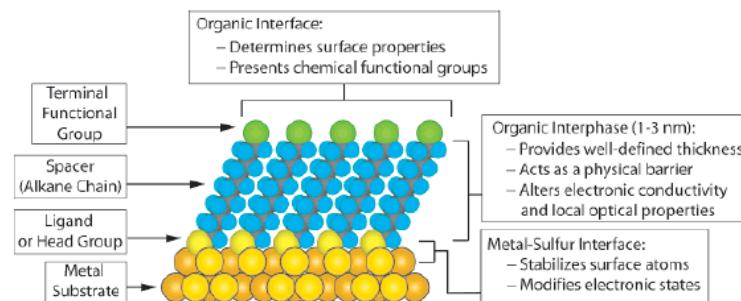


# Micro-contact Printing



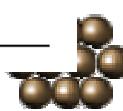
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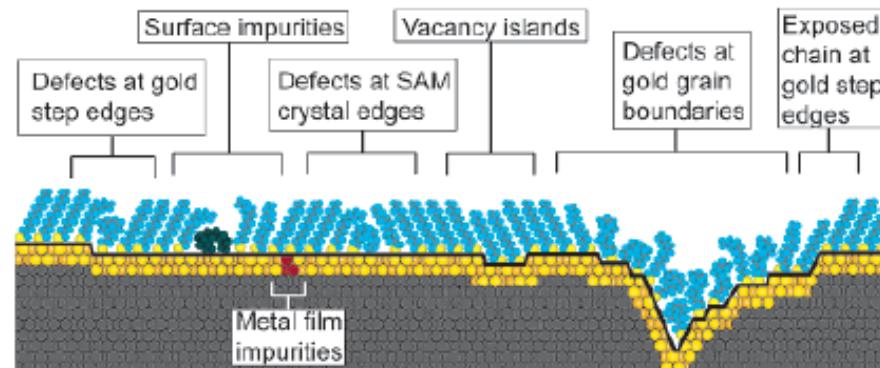
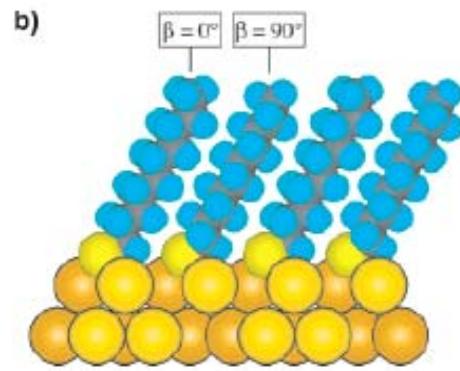
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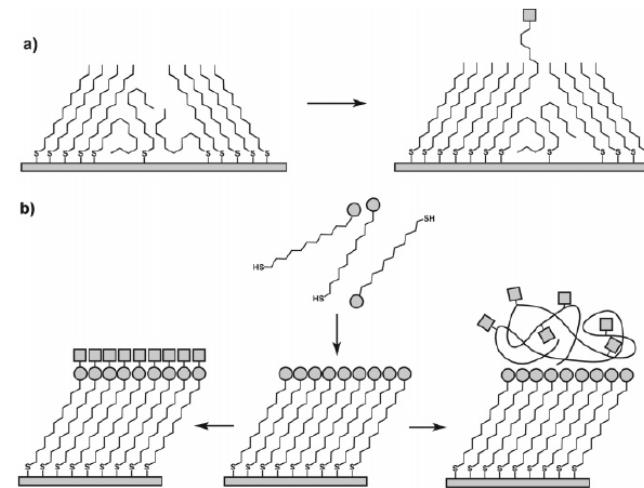
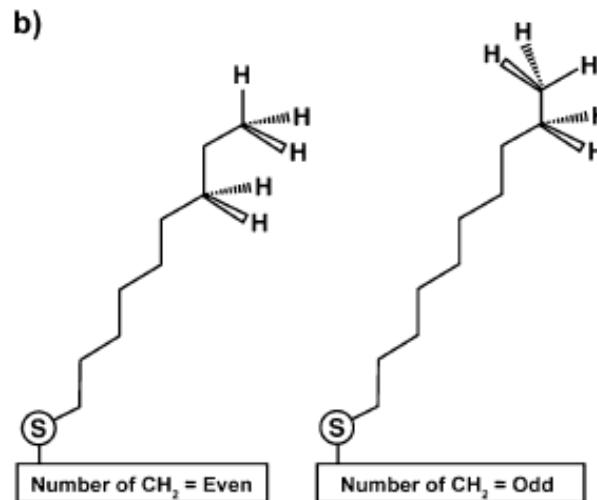
S-Au 25-30 Kcal/mole  
Si-O 190 kcal/mole

Ligand	Substrates	Morphology of Substrate		Ligand	Substrates	Morphology of Substrate	
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RCOO-OOCR	Si(111):H Si(100):H	44		RCSSH	Au CdSe	94	95
Ene-diol	Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	45					
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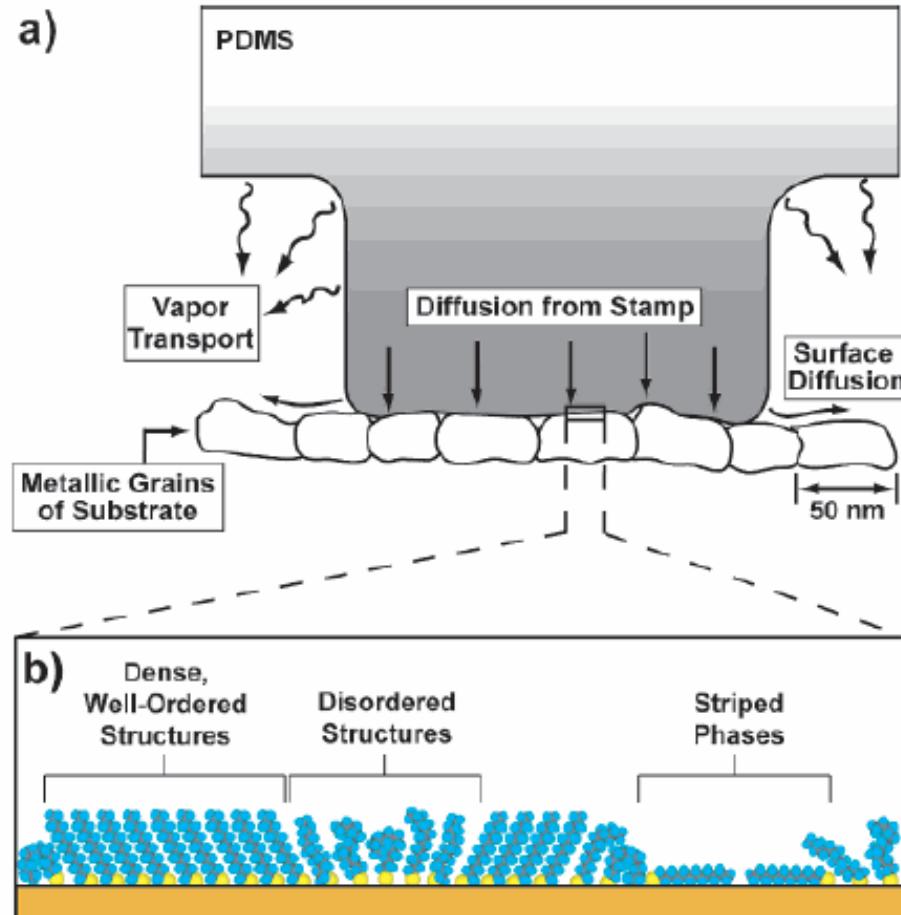


**Figure 7.** Schematic illustration of some of the intrinsic and extrinsic defects found in SAMs formed on polycrystalline substrates. The dark line at the metal–sulfur interface is a visual guide for the reader and indicates the changing topography of the substrate itself.

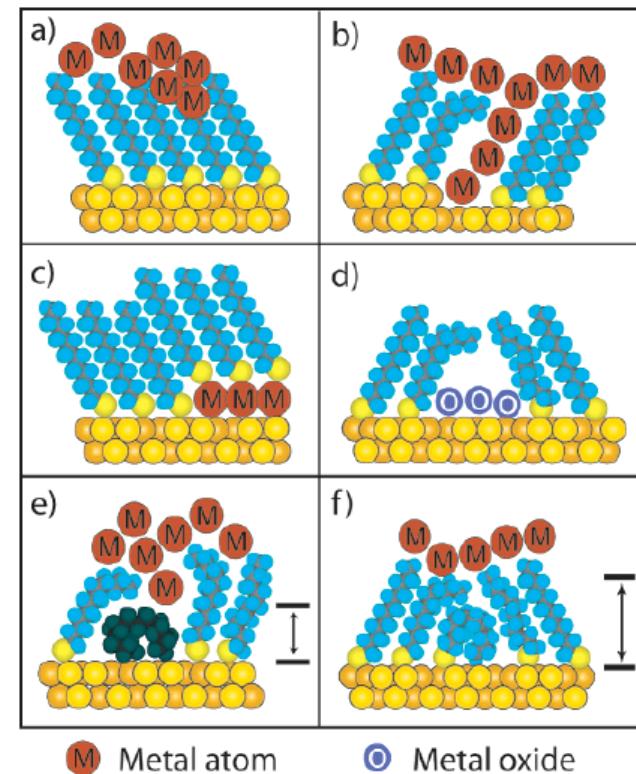


<sup>c</sup> (a) Insertion of a functional adsorbate at a defect site in a preformed SAM. (b) Transformation of a SAM with exposed functional groups (circles) by either chemical reaction or adsorption of another material.



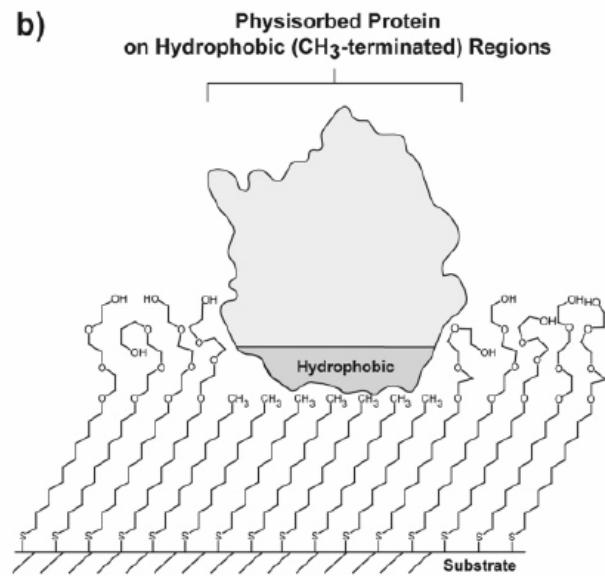
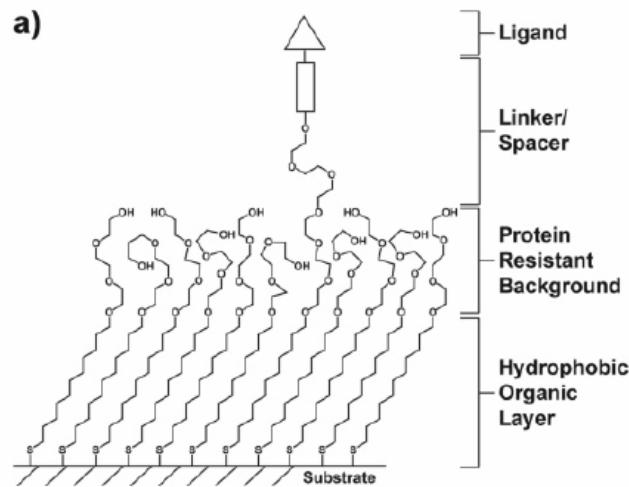


**Figure 12.** (a) Schematic illustration depicting the application of a PDMS stamp containing thiols to a polycrystalline metal film. The primary mechanisms of mass transport from the stamp to the surface are shown. The grayscale gradient approximates the concentration of thiols adsorbed in the stamp itself. (b) Magnified schematic view that illustrates the variety of structural arrangements found in SAMs prepared by  $\mu$ CP when the stamp is wetted with a 1–10 mM solution and applied to the substrate for 1–10 s.

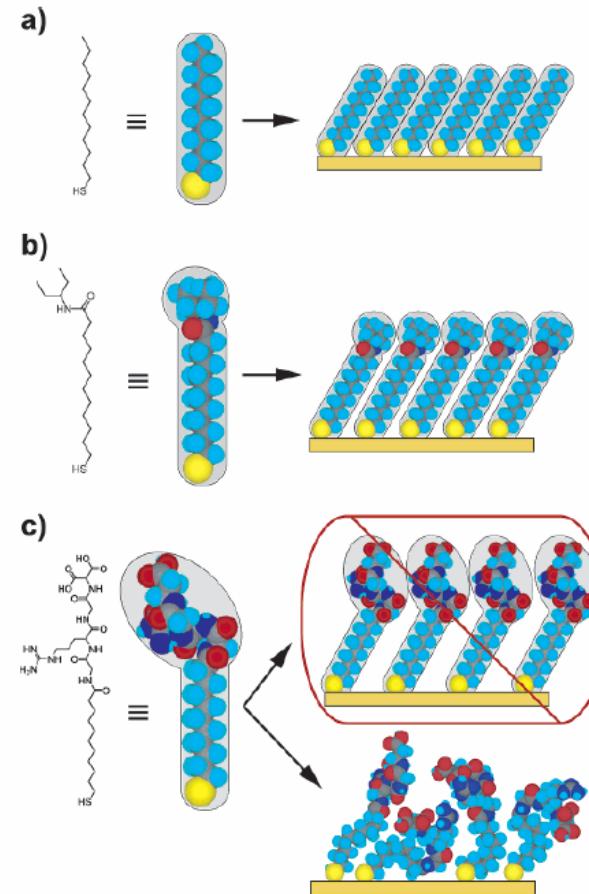


**Figure 17.** Schematic illustration of the types of defects in SAMs that can influence the rate of electron transfer in two-terminal (or three-terminal) devices. (a) Chemical reaction with the organic component of SAMs during evaporation of metal films. (b) Formation of metallic filaments during evaporation or operation of the device. (c) Deposition of adlayers of metal on the surface of the substrate supporting the SAM. (d) Formation of oxide impurities on the surface. (e) Organic (or organometallic) impurities in the SAM. (f) Thin regions in the SAM resulting from conformational and structural defects. In e and f the dimension normal to the surface that is denoted by the black arrows indicates the approximate shortest distance between the two metal surfaces; note that these distances are less than the nominal thickness of the ordered SAM.



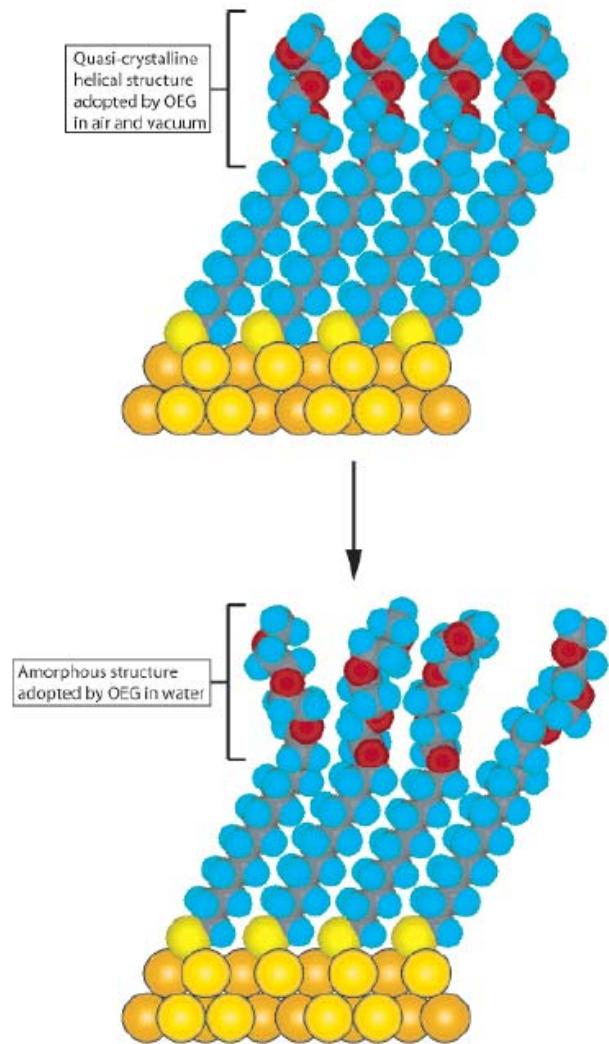


**Figure 21.** Schematic illustrations of (a) a mixed SAM and (b) a patterned SAM. Both types are used for applications in biology and biochemistry.



**Figure 22.** Schematic diagram illustrating the effects that large terminal groups have on the packing density and organization of SAMs. (a) Small terminal groups such as  $-\text{CH}_3$ ,  $-\text{CN}$ , etc., do not distort the secondary organization of the organic layer and have no effect on the sulfur arrangement. (b) Slightly larger groups (like the branched amide shown here) begin to distort the organization of the organic layer, but the strongly favorable energetics of metal–sulfur binding drive a highly dense arrangement of adsorbates. (c) Large terminal groups (peptides, proteins, antibodies) sterically are unable to adopt a secondary organization similar to that for alkanethiols with small terminal groups. The resulting structures probably are more disordered and less dense than those formed with the types of molecules in a and b.



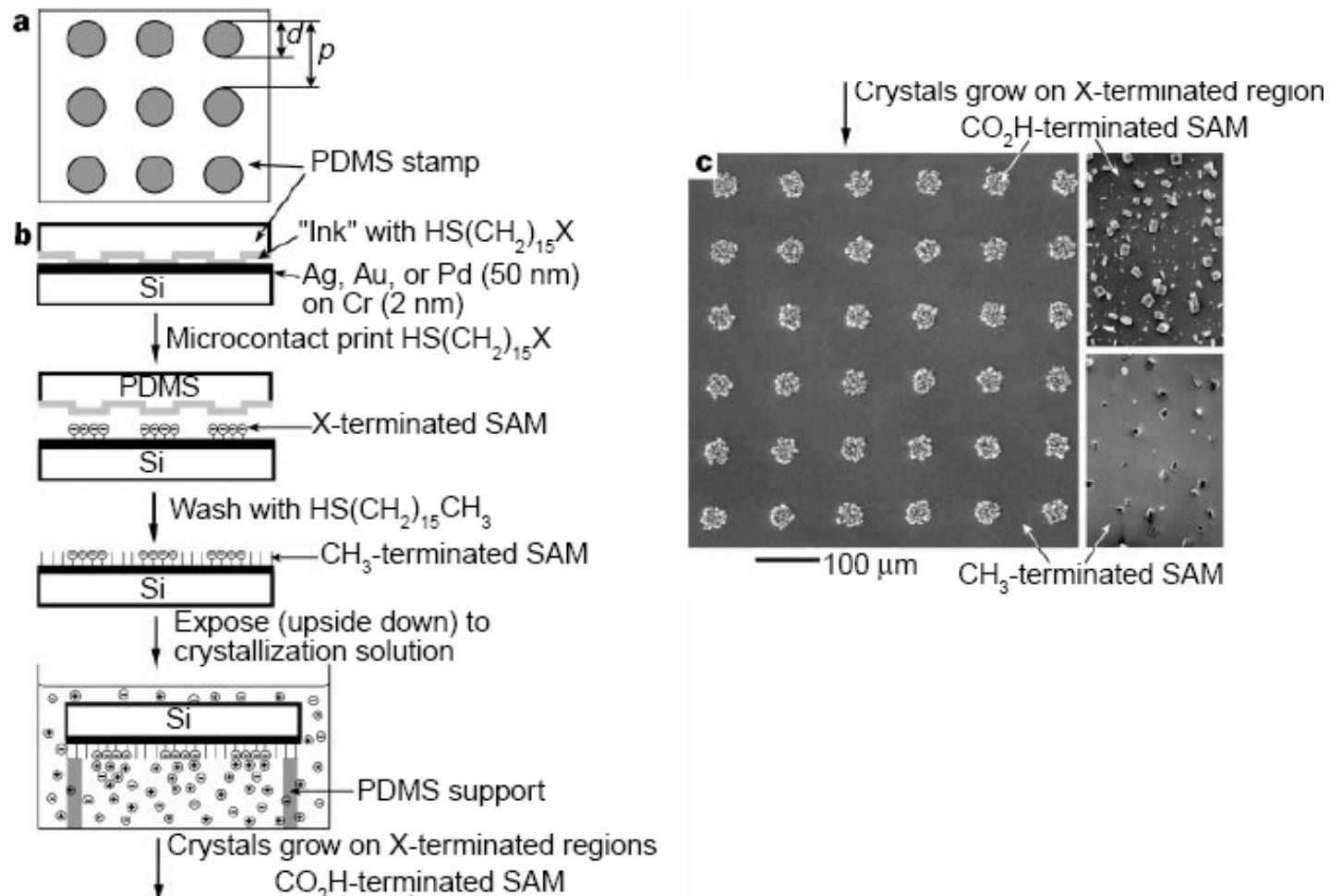


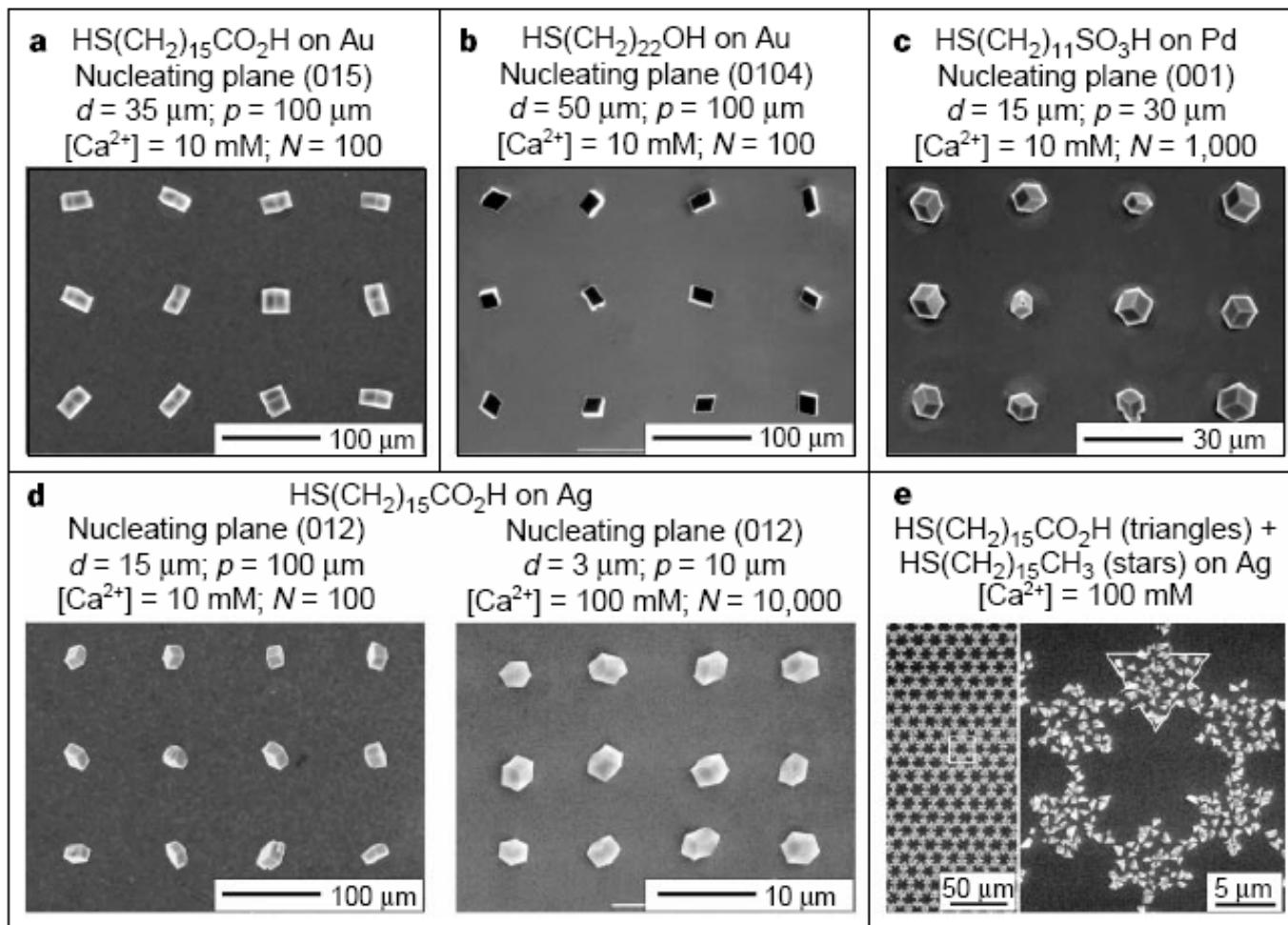
**Figure 23.** Schematic illustration of the order–disorder transition evidenced by SAMs of alkanethiolates terminated with triethylene glycol. The EG<sub>3</sub> group loses conformational ordering upon solvation in water.



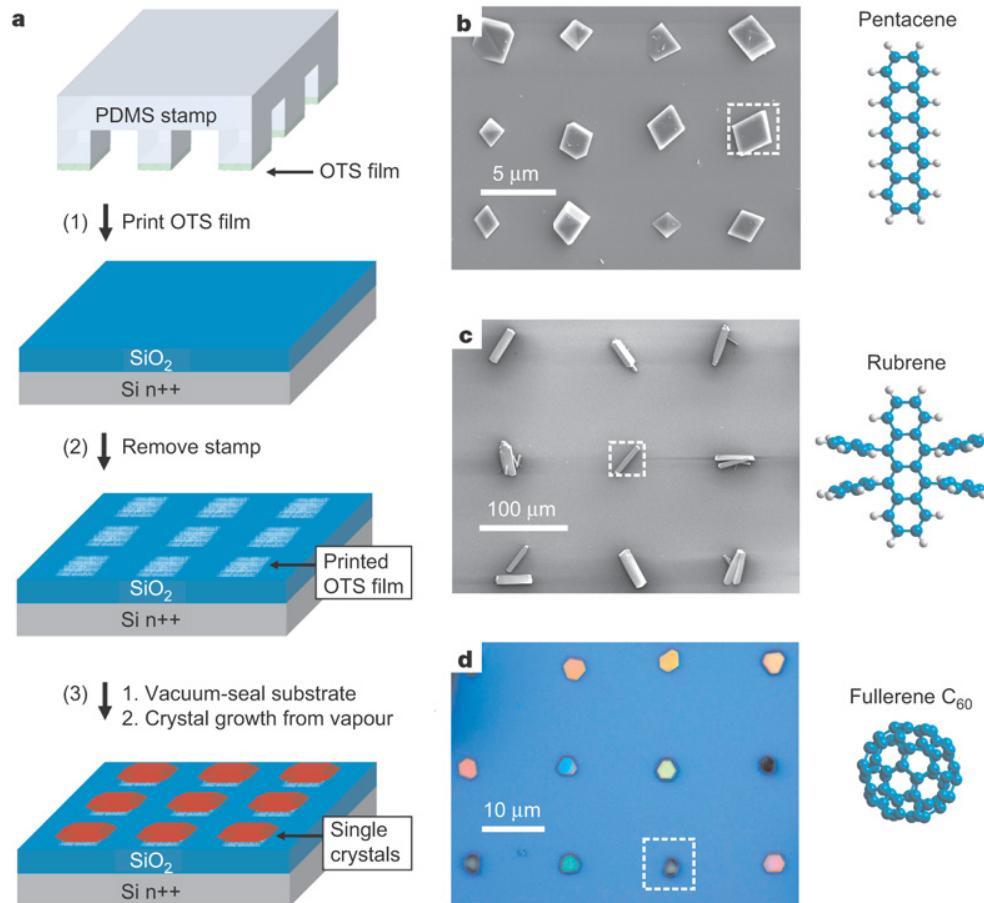
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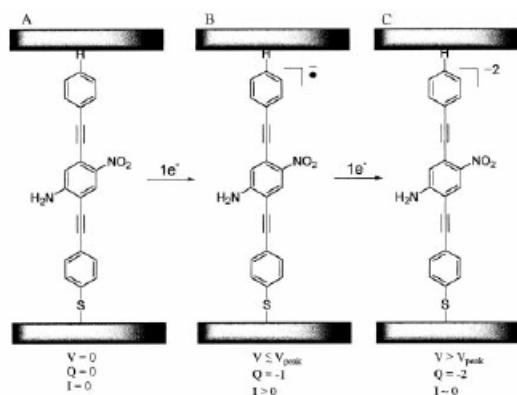
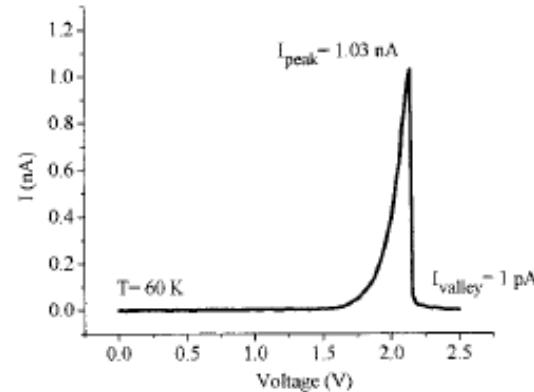
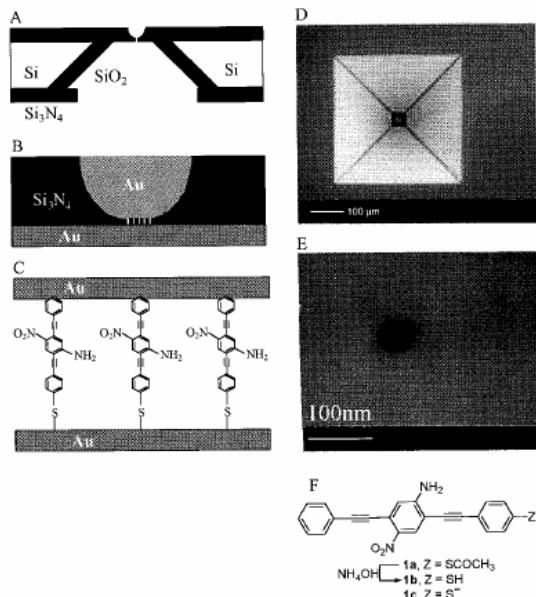


# Large On-Off Ratios and Negative Differential Resistance in a Molecular Electronic Device

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**Fig. 1.** Schematics of device fabrication. (A) Cross section of a silicon wafer with a nanopore etched through a suspended silicon nitride membrane. (B) Au-SAM-Au junction in the pore area. (C) Blowup of (B) with 1c sandwiched in the junction. (D) Scanning electron micrograph (SEM) of pyramid Si structure after unisotropic Si etching [that is, the bottom view of (A)]. (E) SEM of an etched nanopore through the silicon nitride membrane. (F) The active molecular compound 1c and its precursors the free thiol 1b and the thiol-protected system 1a.



**Fig. 4.** Potential mechanism for the NDR effect. As voltage is applied, the molecules in the SAM (A) undergo a one-electron reduction to form the radical anion (B) that provides a conductive state. Further increase of the voltage causes another one-electron reduction to form the dianion insulating state (C). Q is the charge.



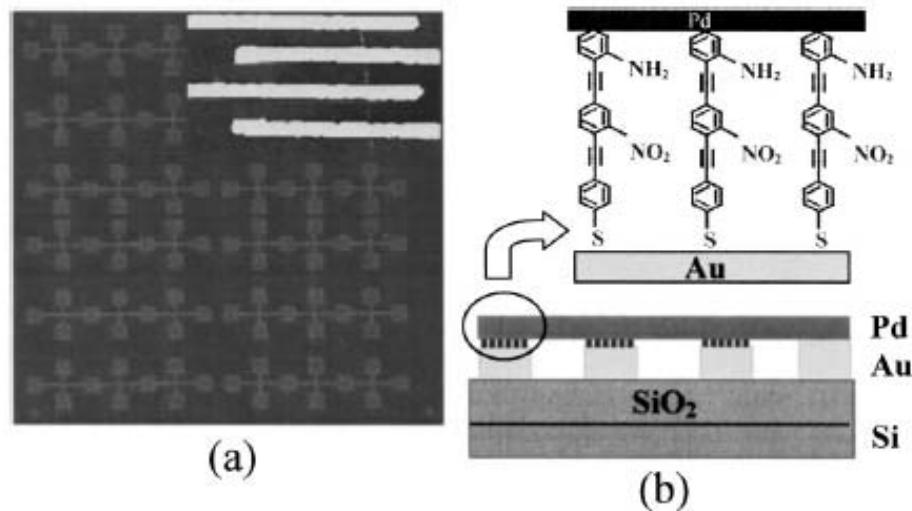


FIG. 1. (a) Optical micrograph of the nanoelectrode array. Inset: AFM image of four Au nanoelectrodes with a Pd nanowire lying across. (b) Schematic diagram of the Pd/molecular wires/Au junctions on a Si/ $\text{SiO}_2$  substrate.

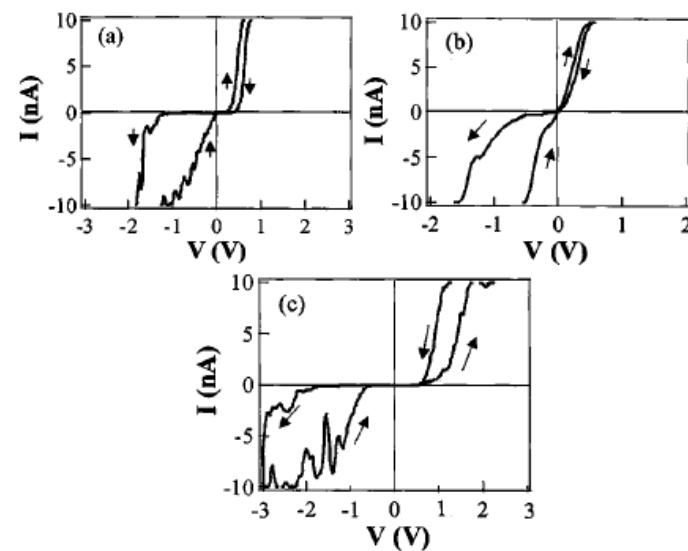
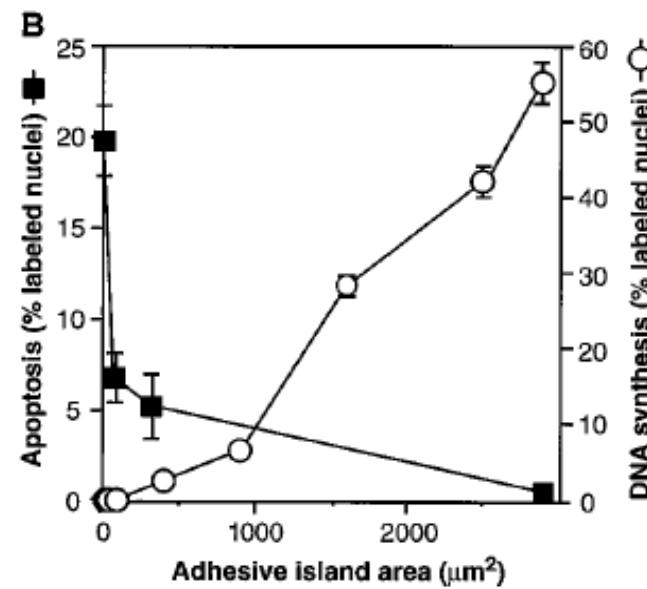
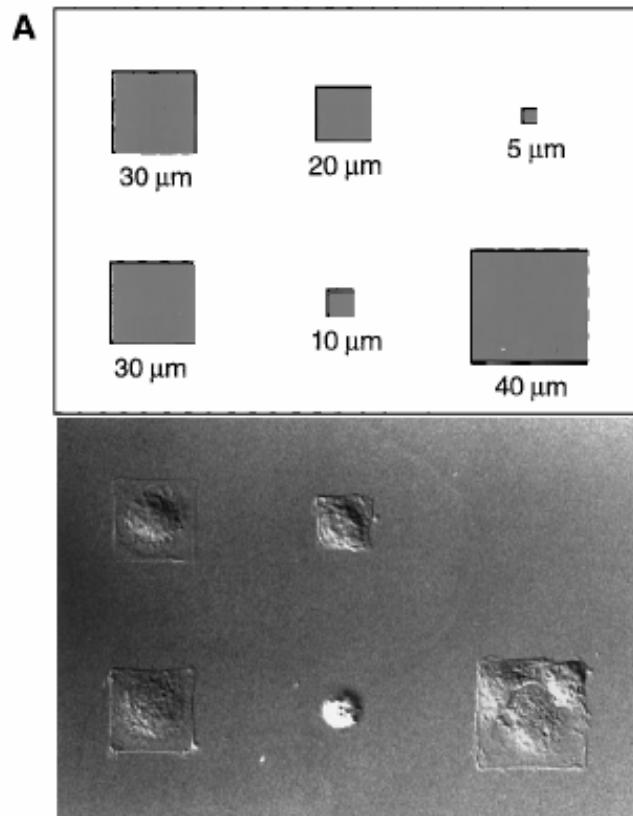


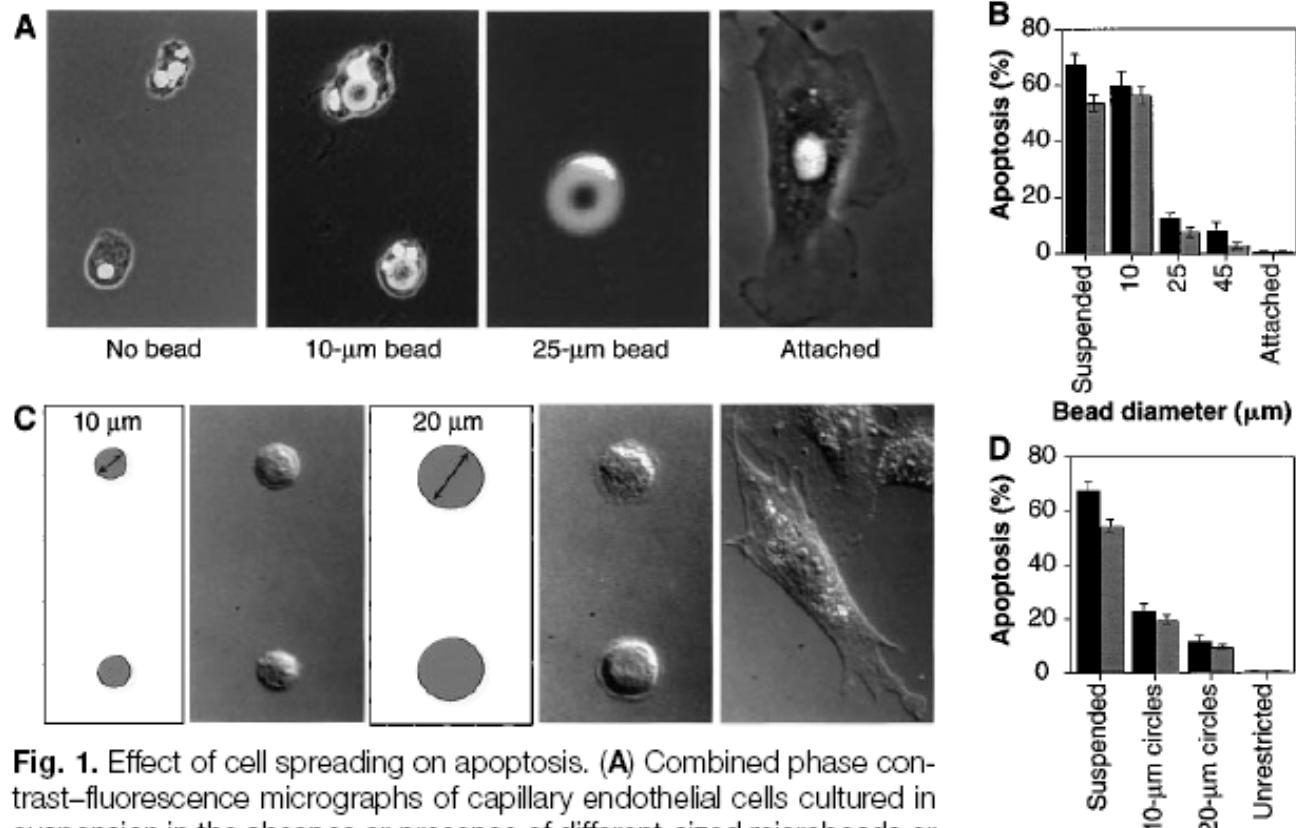
FIG. 3. Typical  $I$ - $V$  curves of molecular devices. (a), (b), and (c) correspond to molecules a, b, and c shown in Fig. 2, respectively.



# Geometric Control of Cell Life and Death

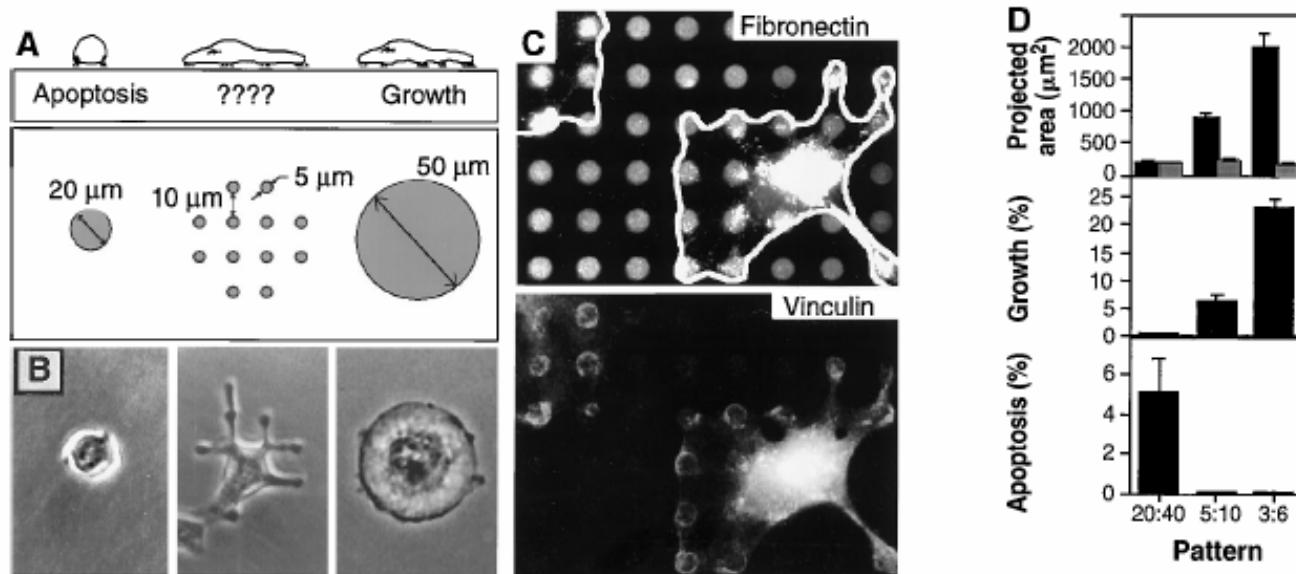
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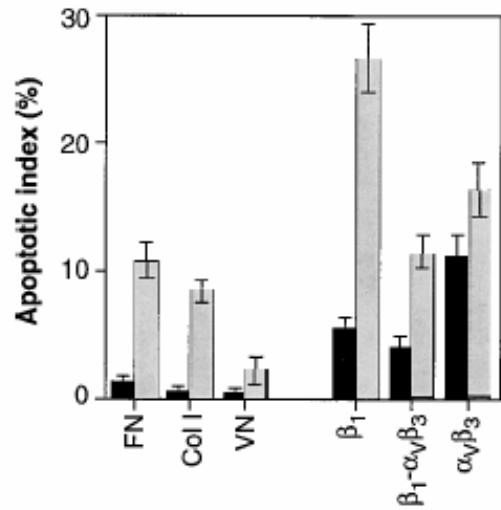
**Fig. 1.** Effect of cell spreading on apoptosis. **(A)** Combined phase contrast–fluorescence micrographs of capillary endothelial cells cultured in suspension or in the presence of different-sized microbeads or attached to a planar culture dish coated with FN for 24 hours (28). In the highly spread cell on the 25-μm bead, only the flattened 4',6'-diamidino-2-phenylindole (DAPI)–stained nucleus is clearly visible. **(B)** Apoptosis in cells attached to different-sized beads, in suspension, or attached to a dish. The apoptotic index was quantitated by measuring the percentage of cells exhibiting positive TUNEL staining (black bars) (Boehringer Mannheim), which detects DNA fragmentation; similar results were obtained by analyzing changes in nuclear condensation and fragmentation in cells stained with DAPI at 24 hours (gray bars). Apoptotic indices were determined only within single cells bound to single beads. Error bars indicate SEM. **(C)** Differential interference-contrast micrographs of cells plated on substrates micropatterned with 10- or 20-μm-diameter circles coated with FN (left), by a microcontact printing method (29) or on a similarly coated unpatterned substrate (right). **(D)** Apoptotic index of cells attached to different-sized adhesive islands coated with a constant density of FN for 24 hours; similar results were obtained with human and bovine capillary endothelial cells (28). Bars same as in (B).





**Fig. 3.** Cell-ECM contact area versus cell spreading as a regulator of cell fate. **(A)** Diagram of substrates used to vary cell shape independently of the cell-ECM contact area. Substrates were patterned with small, closely spaced circular islands (center) so that cell spreading could be promoted as in cells on larger, single round islands, but the ECM contact area would be low as in cells on the small islands. **(B)** Phase-contrast micrographs of cells spread on single 20- or 50- $\mu\text{m}$ -diameter circles or multiple 5- $\mu\text{m}$  circles patterned as shown in (A). **(C)** Immunofluorescence micrographs of cells on a micropatterned substrate stained for FN (top) and vinculin (bottom). White outline indicates cell borders; note circular rings of vinculin staining, which coincide precisely with edges of the FN-coated adhesive islands. **(D)** Plots of projected cell area (black bars) and total ECM contact area (gray bars) per cell (top), growth index (middle), and apoptotic index (bottom) when cells were cultured on single 20- $\mu\text{m}$  circles or on multiple circles 5 or 3  $\mu\text{m}$  in diameter separated by 40, 10, and 6  $\mu\text{m}$ , respectively.



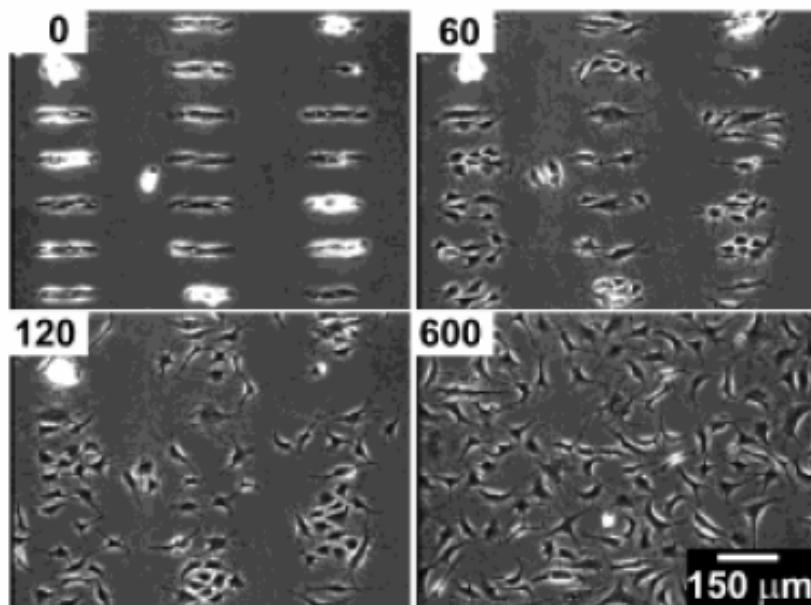


**Fig. 4.** Role of different integrin ligands in cell shape-regulated apoptosis. Apoptotic indices (percentage positive TUNEL staining) for cells cultured for 24 hours on unpatterned substrates (black bars) or on 20- $\mu$ m circles (gray bars) coated with FN, type I collagen (Col I), vitronectin (VN), anti- $\beta_1$ , anti- $\alpha_v\beta_3$ , or antibodies to both integrin  $\beta_1$  and integrin  $\alpha_v\beta_3$  (29).

hexadecanethiol [ $HS(CH_2)_{15}CH_3$ ] was printed onto gold-coated substrates with a flexible stamp containing a relief of the desired pattern. The substrate was immersed immediately in 2 mM tri(ethylene glycol)-terminated alkanethiol [ $HS(CH_2)_{11}(OCH_2CH_2)_3OH$  in ethanol], which coated the remaining bare regions of gold. When these substrates were immersed in a solution of FN, vitronectin, or type I collagen (50  $\mu$ g/ml in phos-



## Electrochemical Desorption of Self-Assembled Monolayers Noninvasively Releases Patterned Cells from Geometrical Confinements



**Figure 1.** BCE cells were allowed to attach to a surface patterned with  $\text{C}_{11}\text{EG}_3$  and  $\text{C}_{18}$ . Application of a cathodic voltage pulse ( $-1.2$  V for 30 s in this case) released the cells from the microislands. The numbers indicate the time elapsed (in minutes) after the voltage pulse.



# Directing cell migration with asymmetric micropatterns

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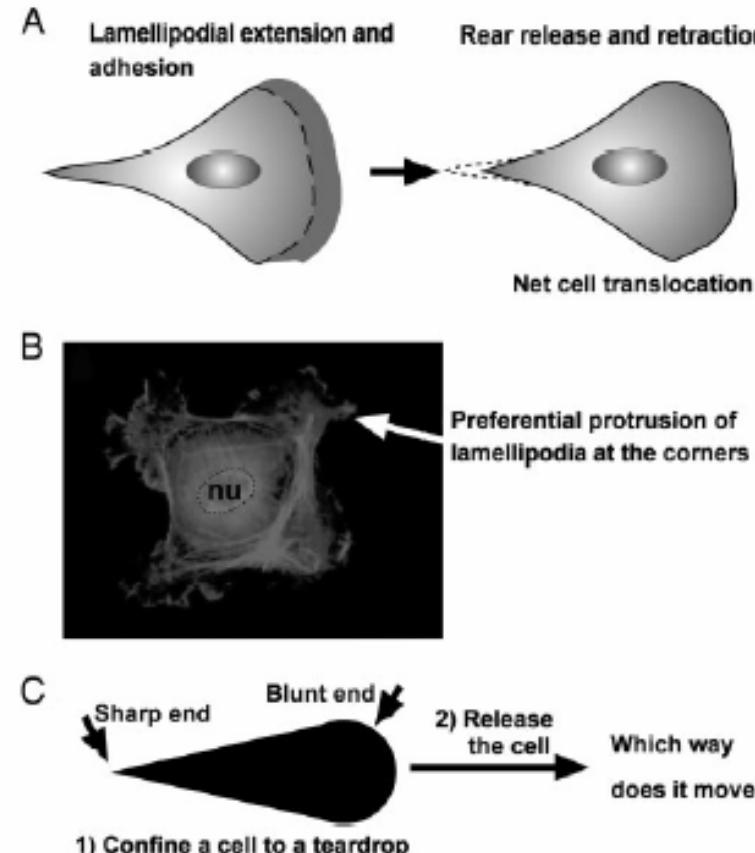


Fig. 1. A problem on cell motility. (A) A cartoon illustration of the migration of a typical mammalian cell on a flat surface. This teardrop shape is found in many types of cells. (B) Cells confined to squares preferentially extend their lamellipodia from the corners. nu, nucleus. (C) If a cell is confined to a shape of teardrop, will the cell preferentially extend its lamellipodia from the sharp end or from the blunt end? If released from confinement, in which direction will it likely move?

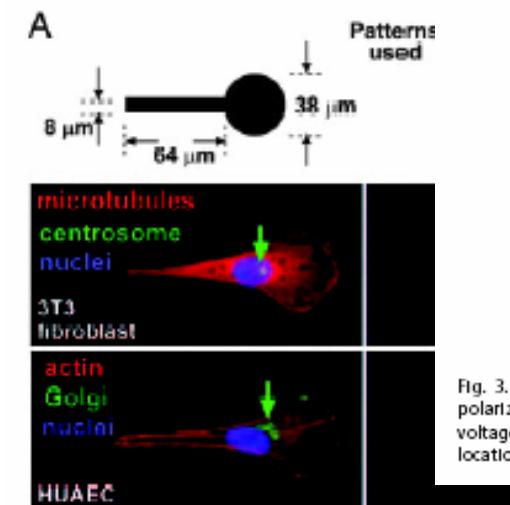


Fig. 2. Asymmetric patterns polarize immobilized cells. (A) The Golgi and the centrosome are located closer to the half of a cell with the blunt end. We used phalloidin, antigolgi, DAPI, antitubulin, and antipericentrin to identify actin (red), the Golgi (green), the nucleus (blue), microtubules (red), and the centrosome (green), respectively. The green arrows indicate the location of centrosomes in 3T3 cells and Golgi in human umbilical artery endothelial cells (HUAEC). (B) We divided the cell into a half with the sharp end and a half with the blunt end by a vertical line drawn at the centroid of the nucleus; >80% ( $n = 30$ ) of the centrosomes and Golgi were localized in the region of the wide end. (C) The lamellipodia of immobilized 3T3 cells tended to extend more from the blunt end as well (arrowhead). The dotted line indicates the edges of the adhesive pattern.

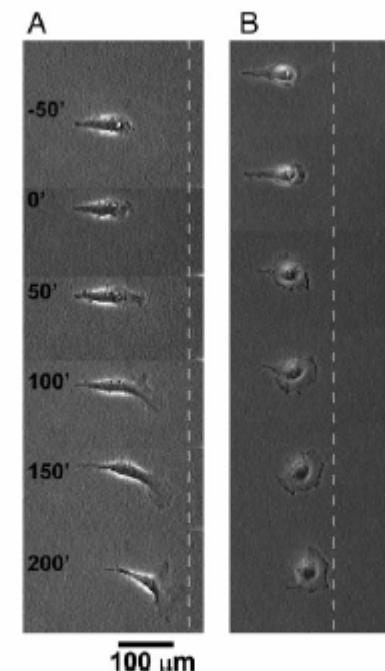
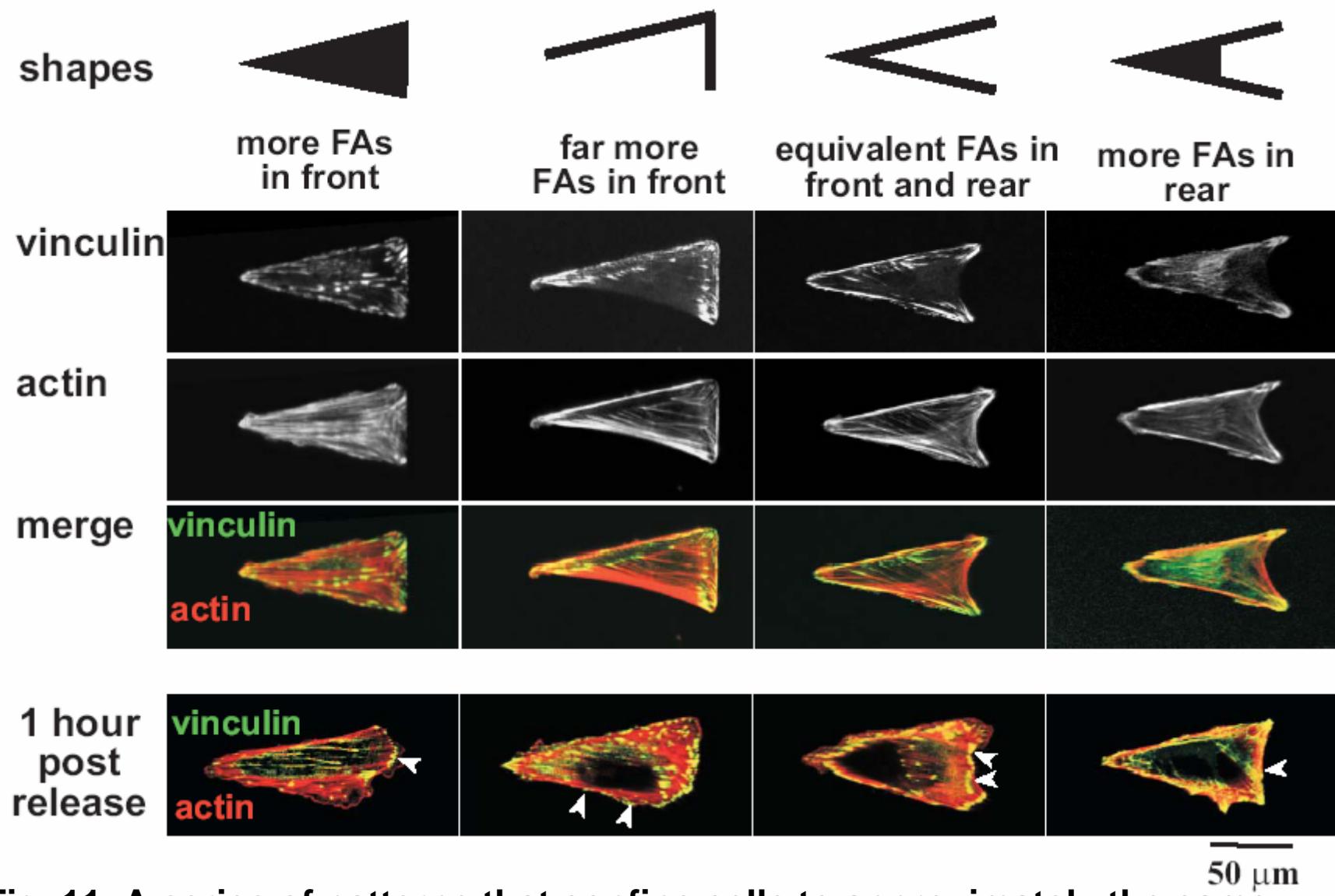


Fig. 3. Time-lapse images (in minutes) show the motility of an initially polarized 3T3 fibroblast after its constraint is released. (A) We applied the voltage pulse at time  $t = 0$ . The dotted line serves as a reference for the location of the cell. (B) Another type of cell, COS-7, shows similar behavior.





**Fig. 11.** A series of patterns that confine cells to approximately the same projected geometry (visualized by the actin cytoskeleton) but distribute the focal adhesions (FAs; visualized by immunostaining for vinculin) differently. The bottom row shows that new focal adhesions formed 1 h after release in areas that were inert to attachment of cells prior to release (arrowheads).

# Soft-Lithography

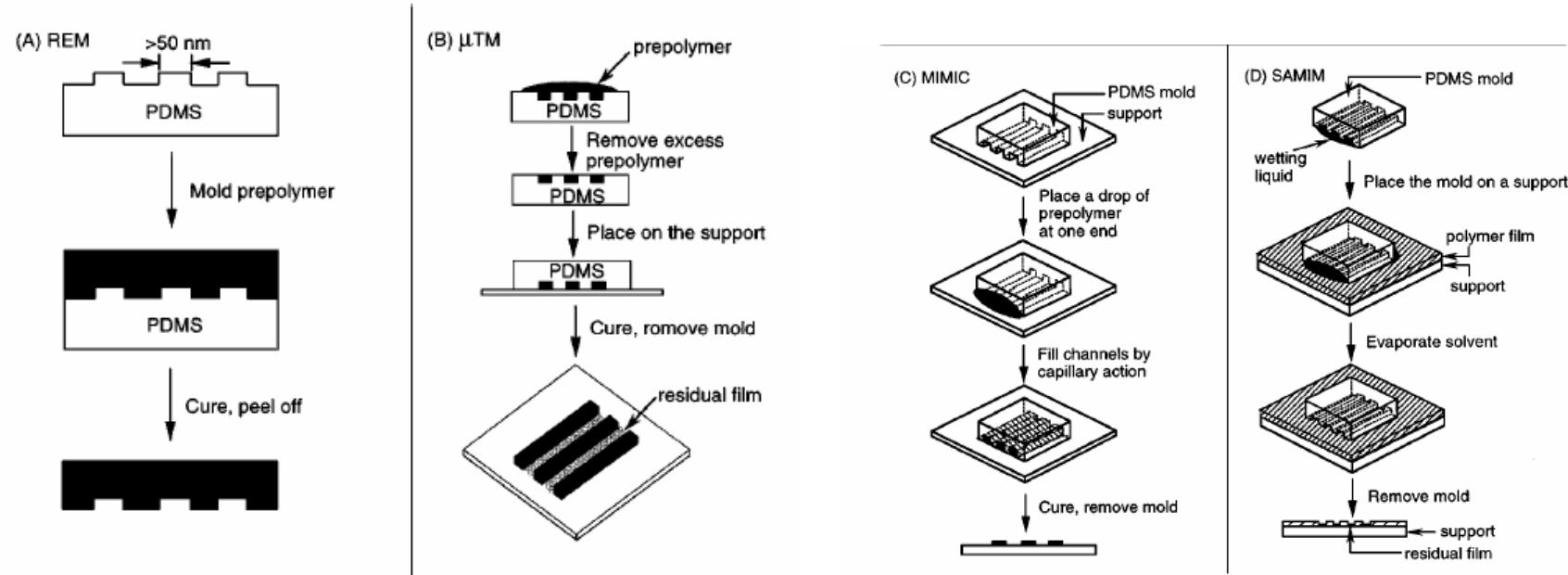
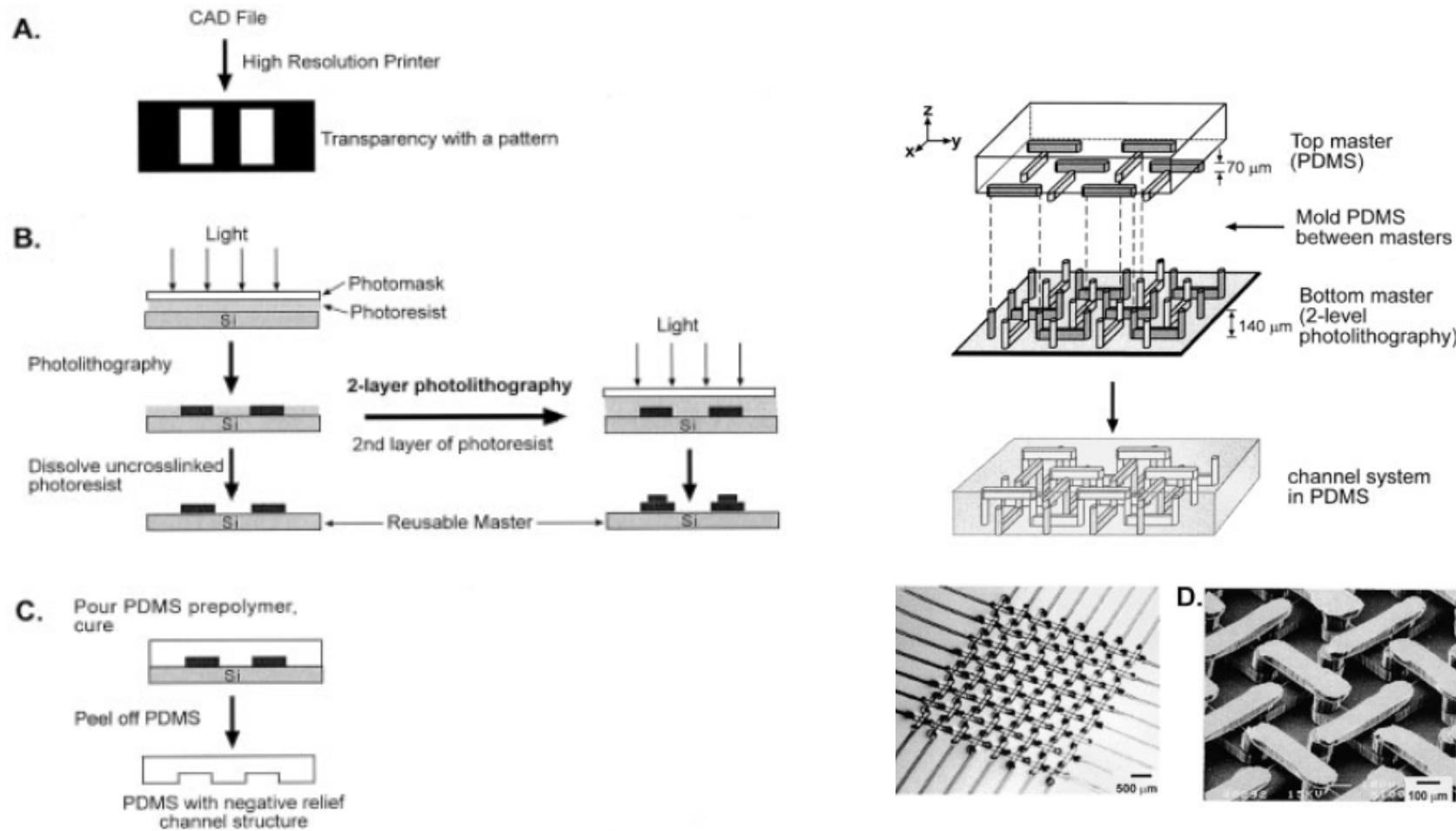


Figure 5 Schematic illustration of procedures for (a) replica molding (REM), (b) microtransfer molding ( $\mu$ TM), (c) micromolding in capillaries (MIMIC), and (d) solvent-assisted micromolding (SAMIM).



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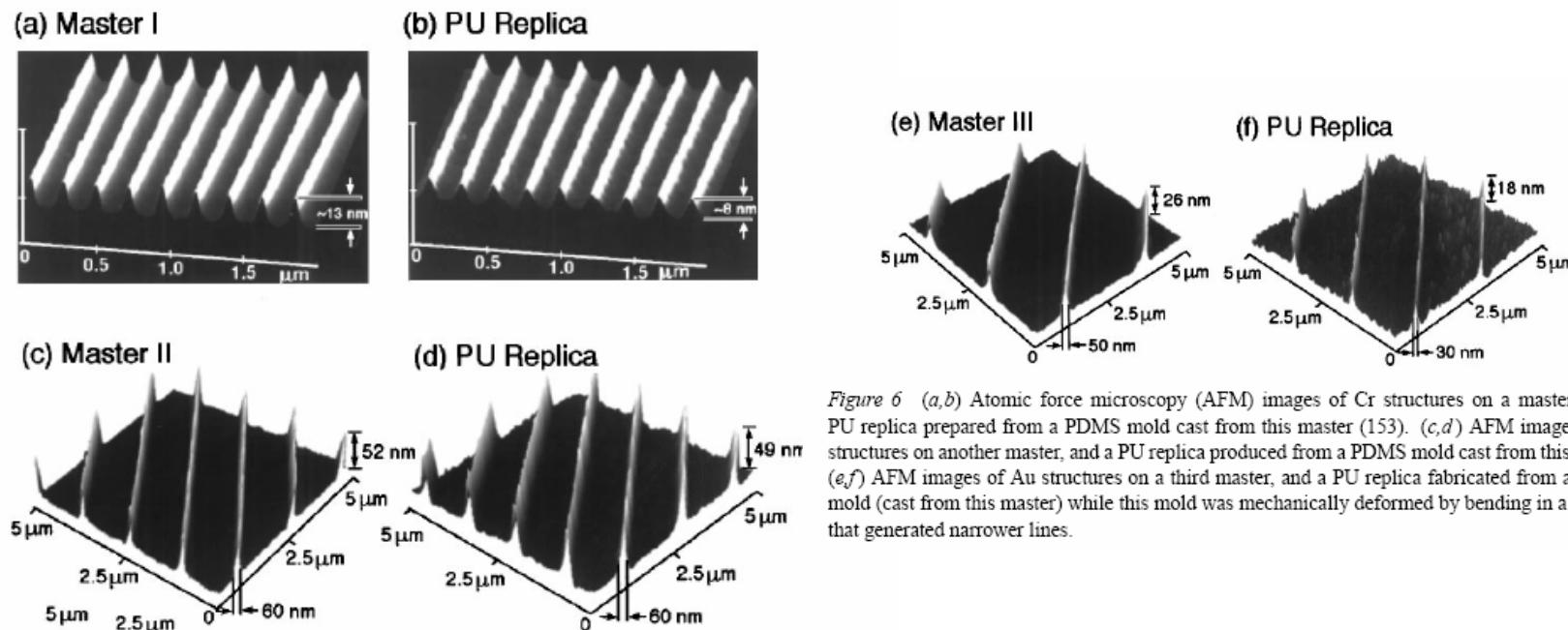


Figure 6 (a,b) Atomic force microscopy (AFM) images of Cr structures on a master, and a PU replica prepared from a PDMS mold cast from this master (153). (c,d) AFM images of Au structures on another master, and a PU replica produced from a PDMS mold cast from this master. (e,f) AFM images of Au structures on a third master, and a PU replica fabricated from a PDMS mold (cast from this master) while this mold was mechanically deformed by bending in a manner that generated narrower lines.

