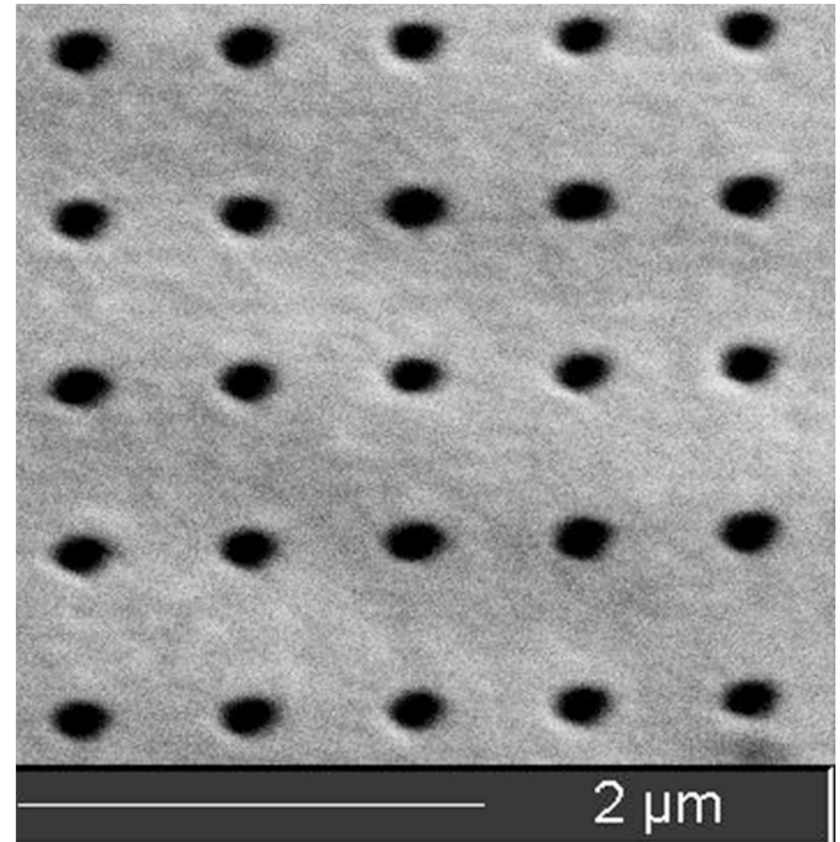


Making Light Go Through Tiny Holes

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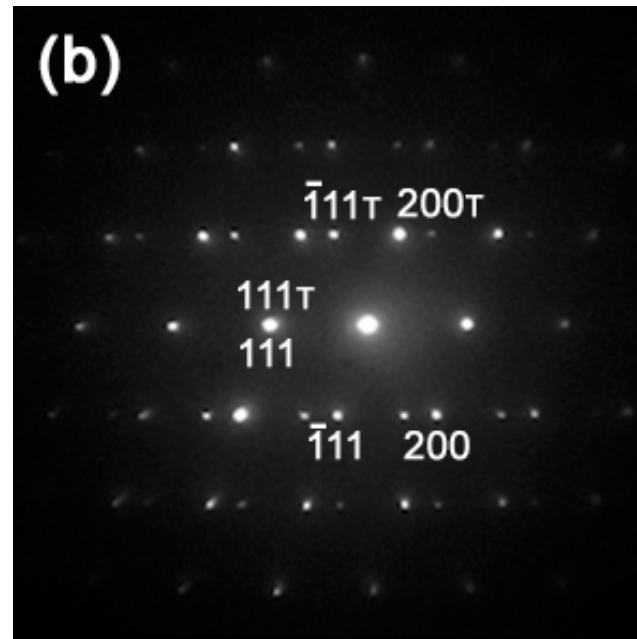
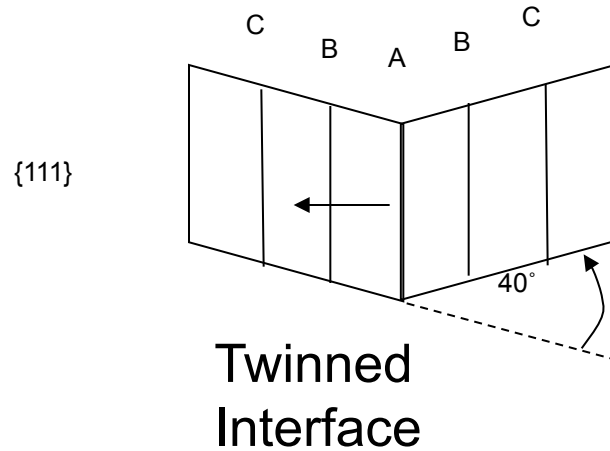
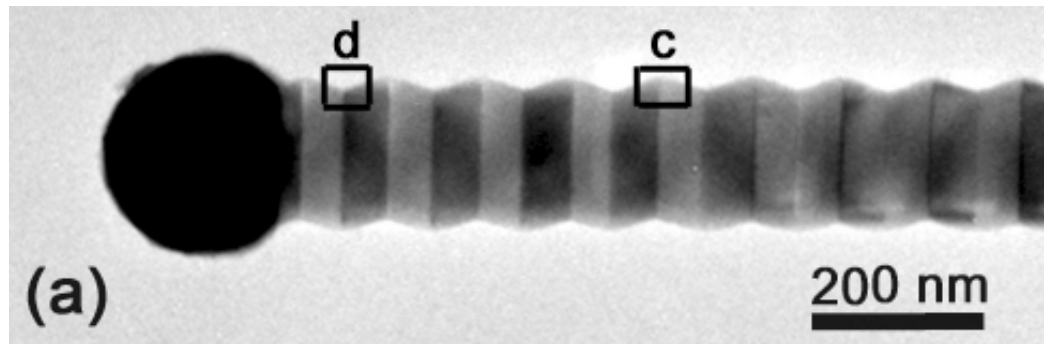
- Infant universe from microwave background



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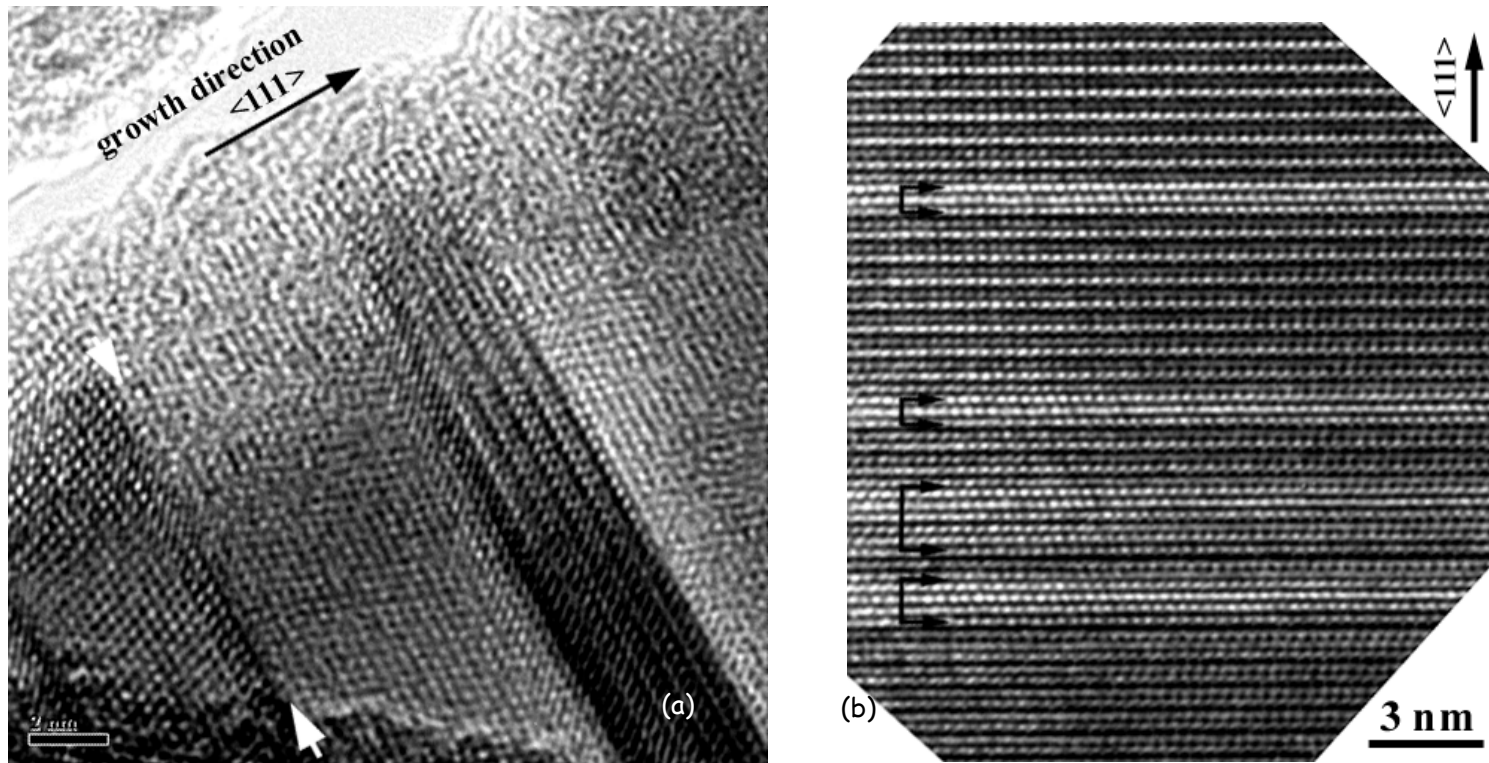
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Au/ZnSe/Si



Growth, branching, and kinking of molecular beam epitaxial $\langle 110 \rangle$ GaAs nanowires, Z. H. Wu, J. Q., Liu, X. Mei, D. Kim, M. Blumin, K. L. Kavanagh, and H. E. Ruda, *APL* 83 (2003) 3368.

Planar defects in $\langle 111 \rangle$ GaAs nanowires

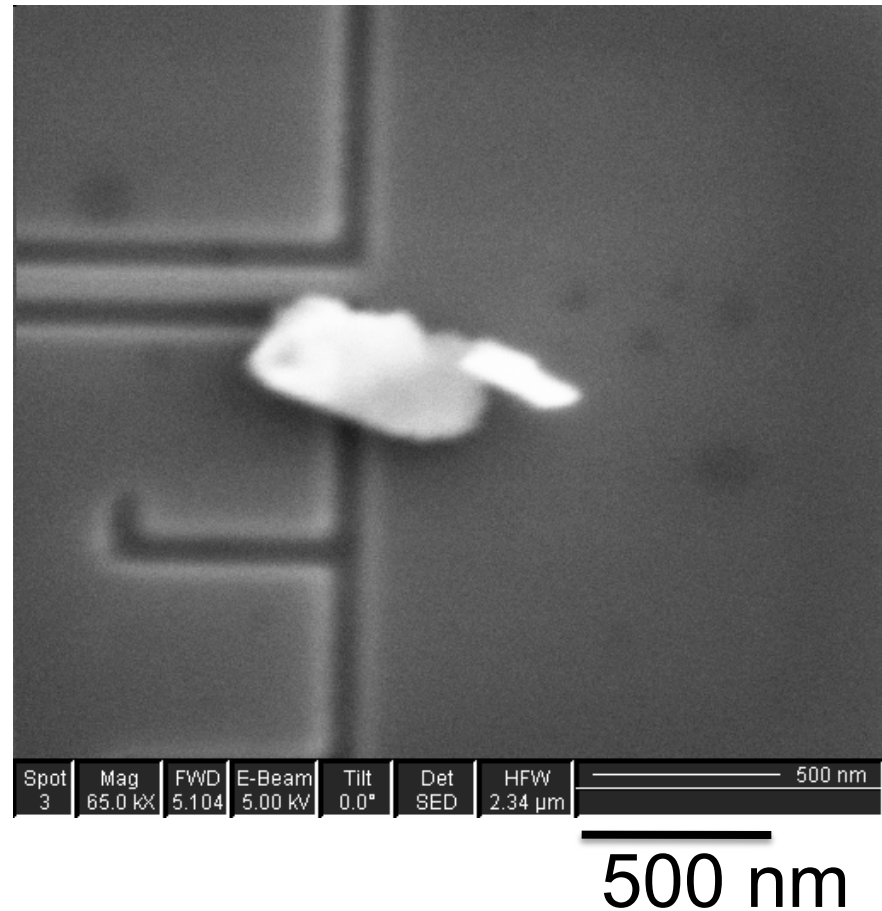


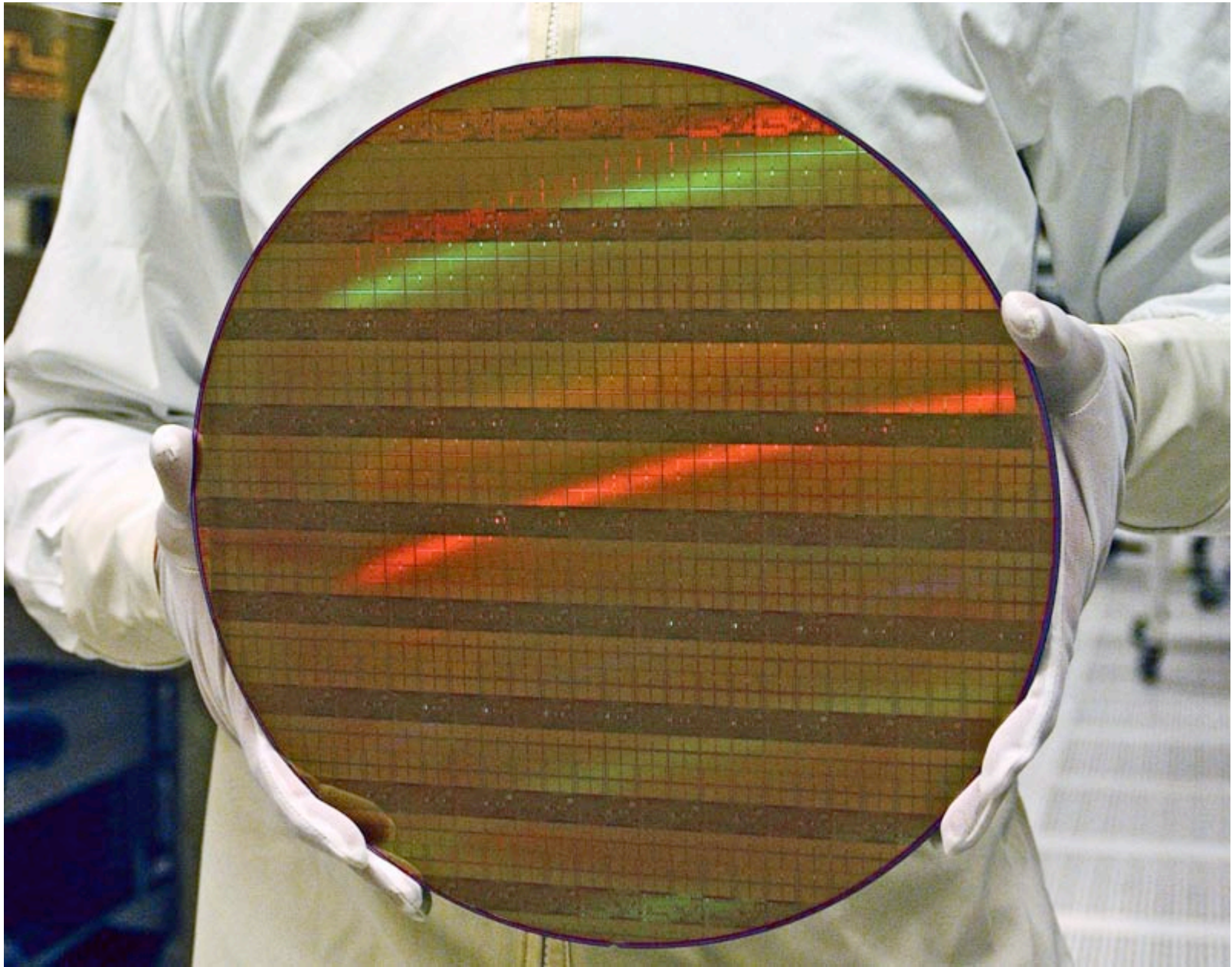
- (111) planar twin boundary: Faulted stacking sequence (b).
- The density of planar defects varies. The broader the nanowire, the higher the possibility for finding these defects.

Nanometers

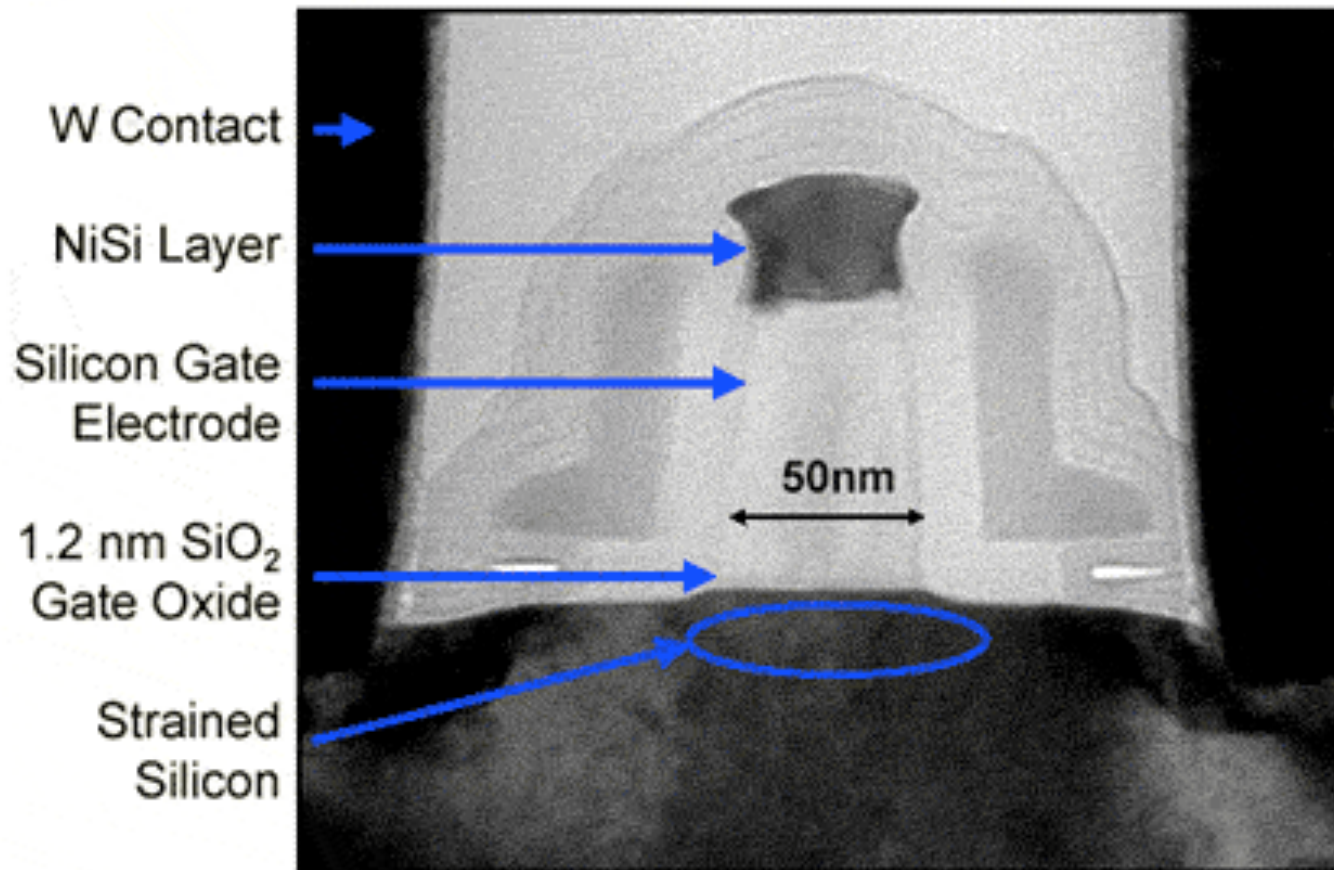
are small.

- Dust on Si wafer
- SEM image
- contrast based on the emission of surface electrons
- 1 nanometer (nm) = 1×10^{-9} m
(= 1/1,000,000 mm = 1/1000 micron)

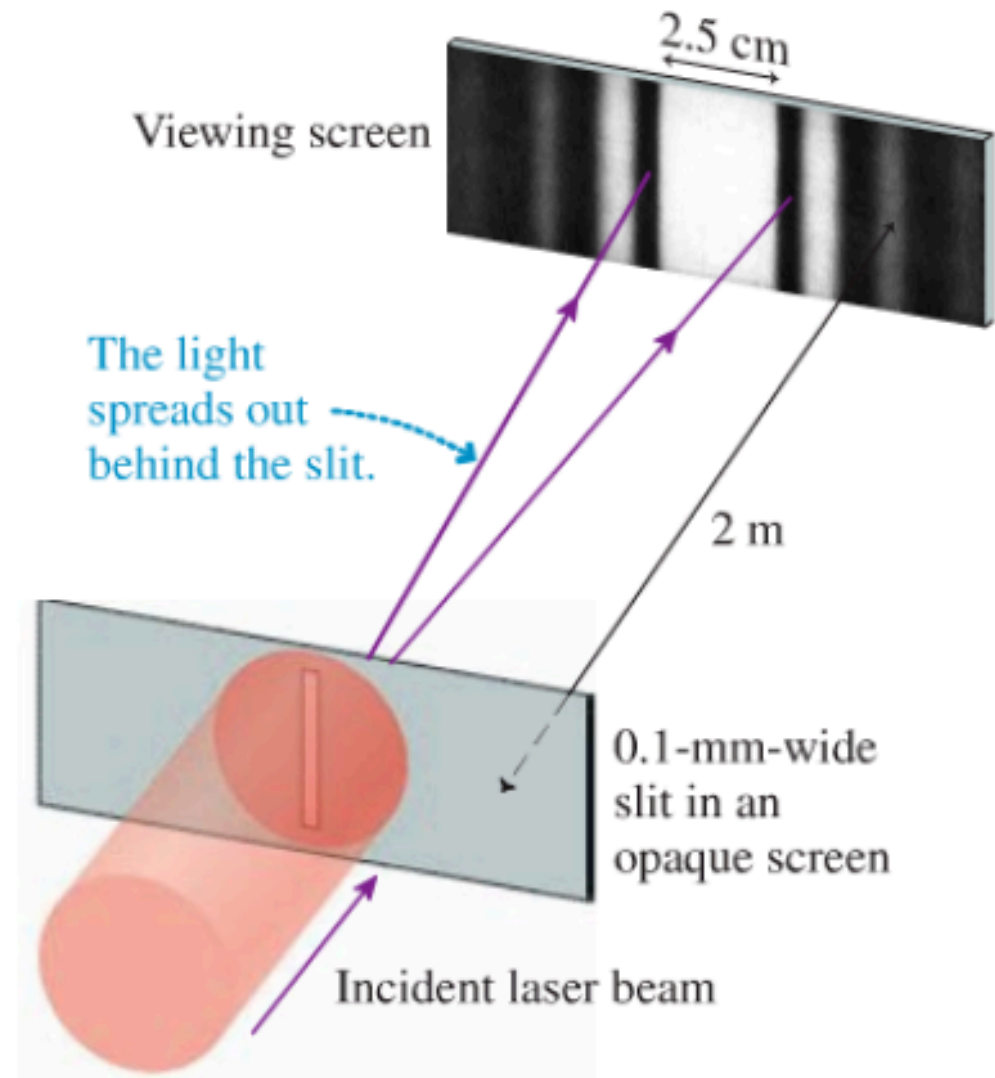
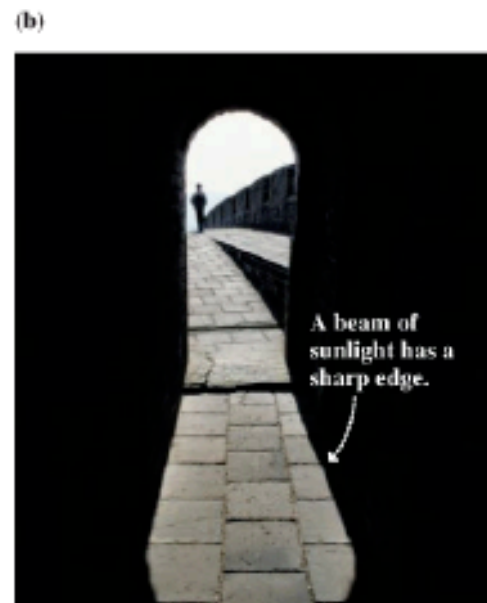
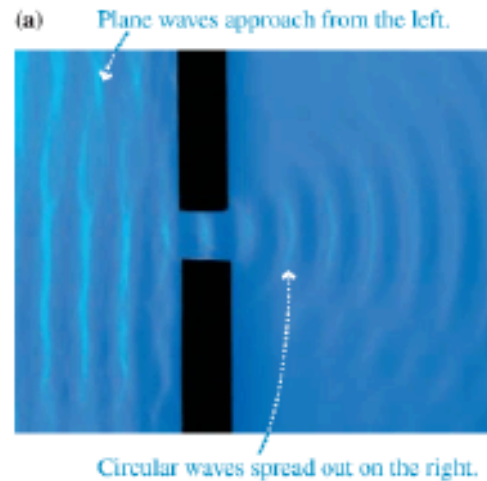




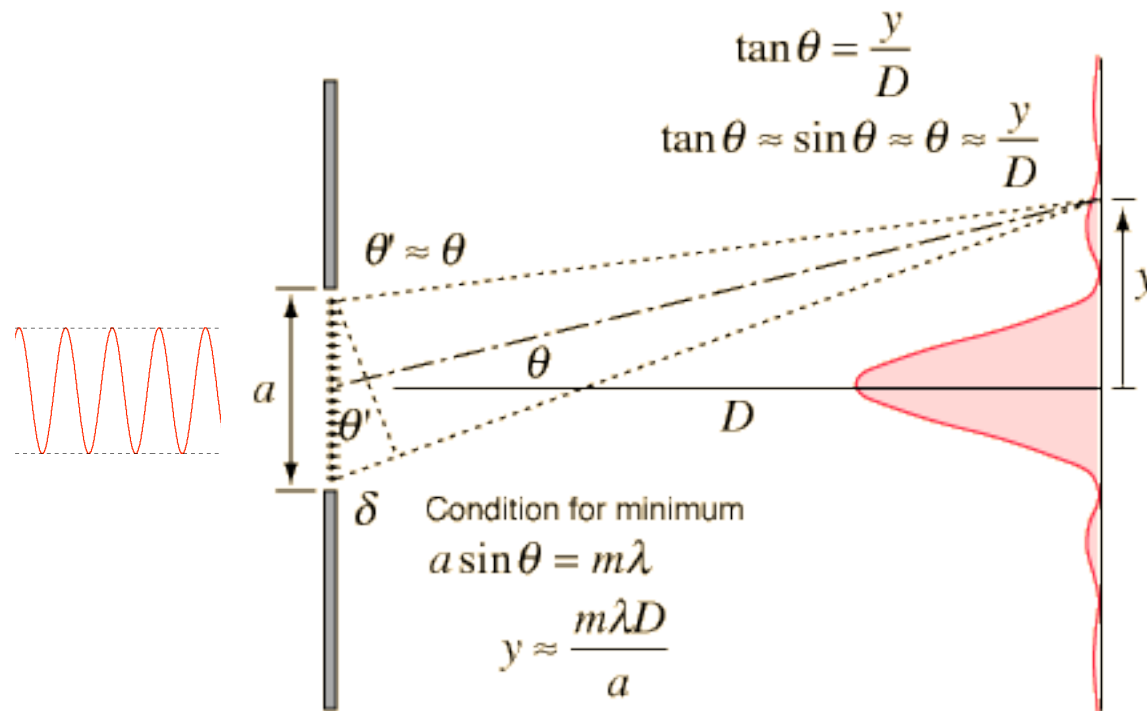
Transmission Electron Micrograph of Intel's 90 nm Generation Transistor



Diffraction - Single Slit



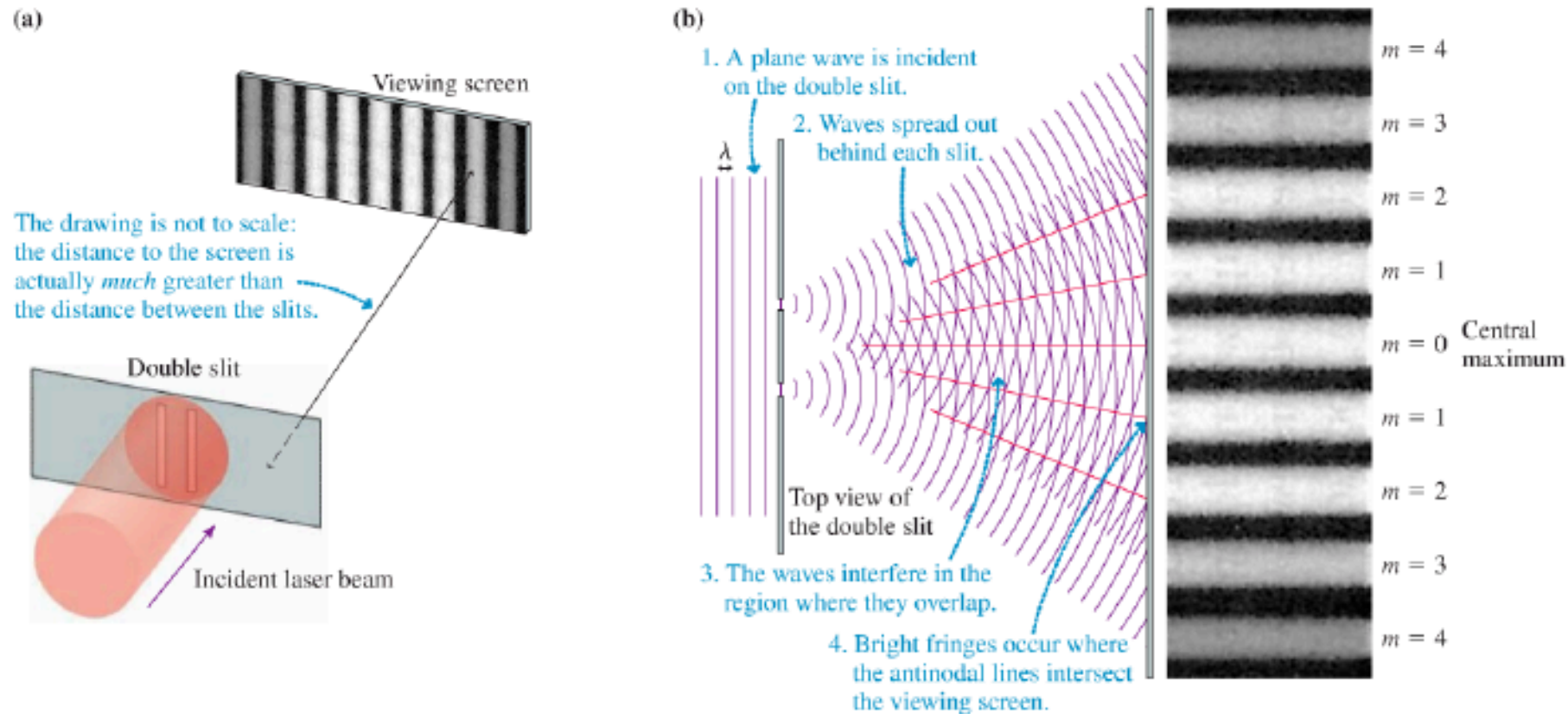
Single Slit Experiment



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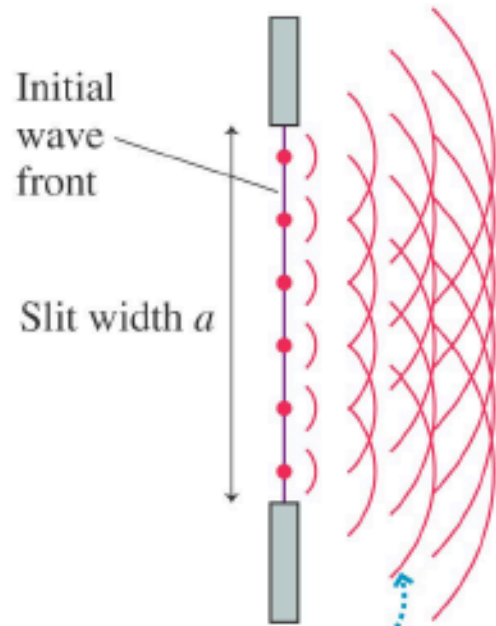


Young's Double-Slit Experiment



Single Slit Diffraction

(a) Greatly magnified view of slit

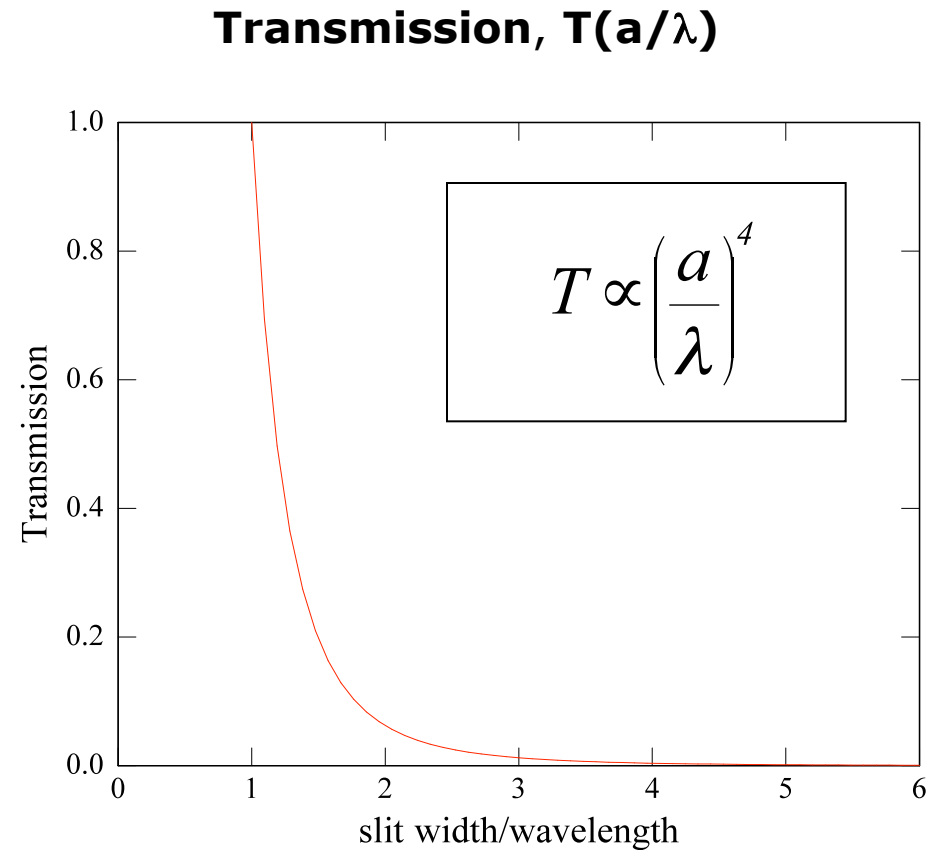
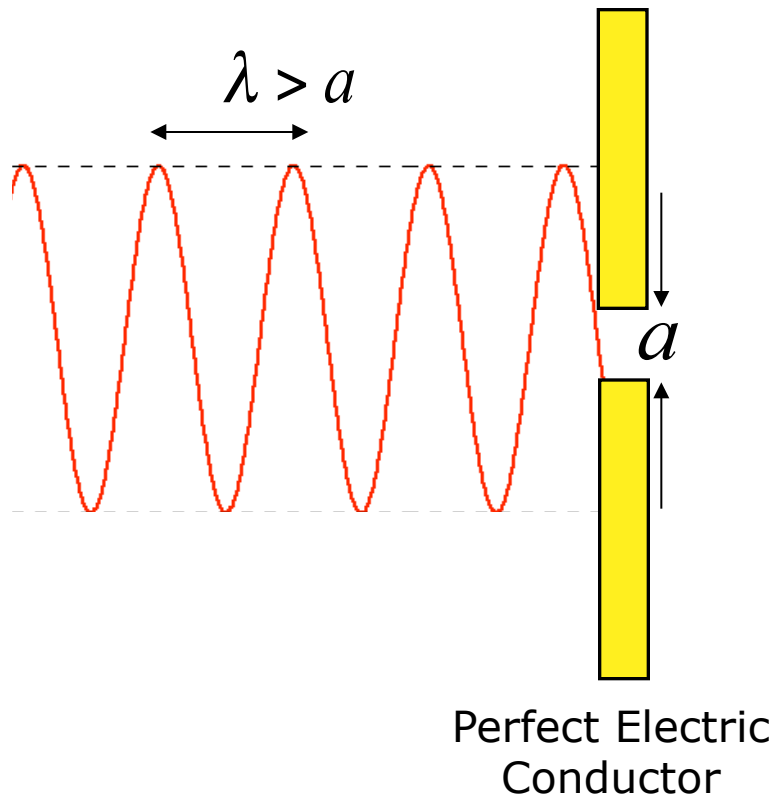


The wavelets from each point on the initial wave front overlap and interfere, creating a diffraction pattern on the screen.

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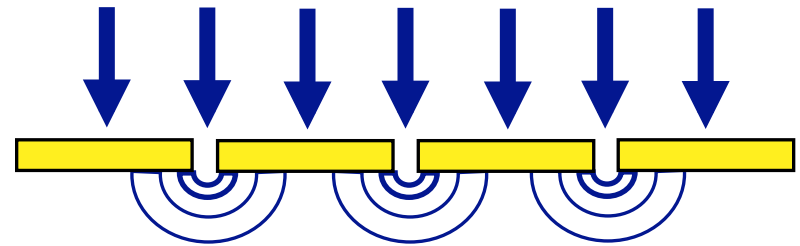
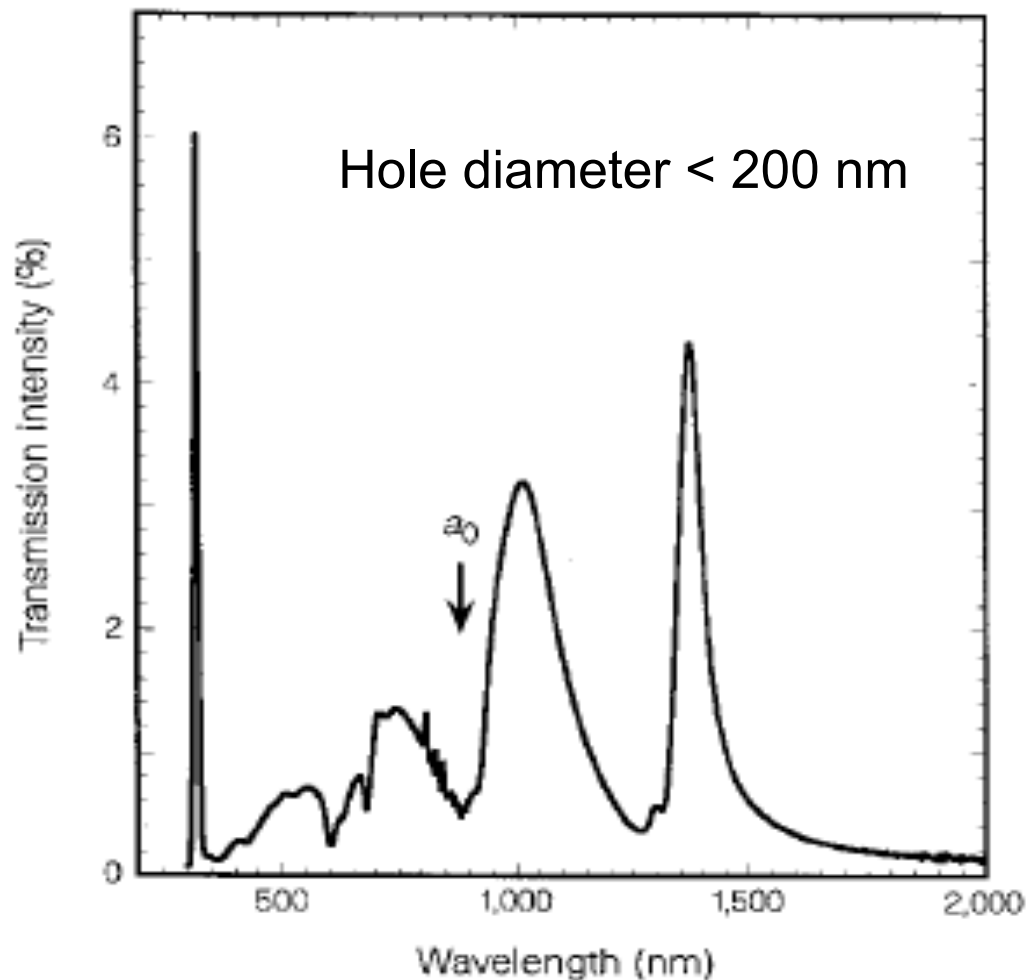
- A wave front passes through a narrow slit (width a). Note that **narrow** is important.
- Each point on the wave-front emits a spherical wave
- One slit becomes the source of many interfering wavelets.
- A single slit creates a diffraction pattern on the screen.

H. Bethe (1944) Theory of Diffraction through small holes:



Ebbesen et al. ([Nature](#), 391, 1998)

"Extraordinary optical transmission through sub-wavelength hole arrays"



Enhanced transmission
attributed to
surface plasmons

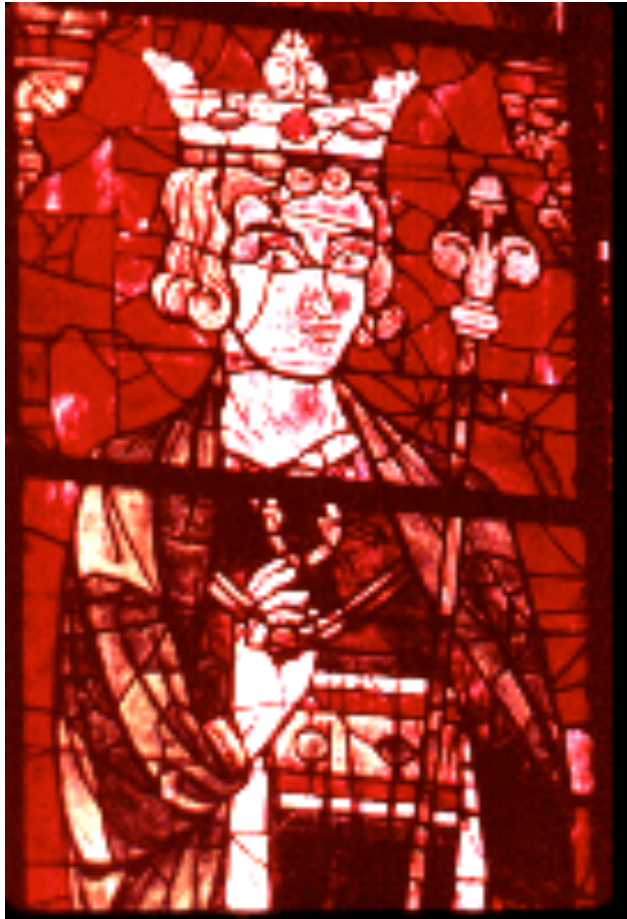
What's a surface plasmon?

- light that propagates along the interface between a metal (ϵ_1) and an insulator (ϵ_2)

- wavevector:
$$k_{sp} = \frac{\omega}{c} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2}}$$

- \therefore wavelength is smaller than regular light of the same frequency

Early plasmonics research (1100's) glass stained with metallic salts and oxides



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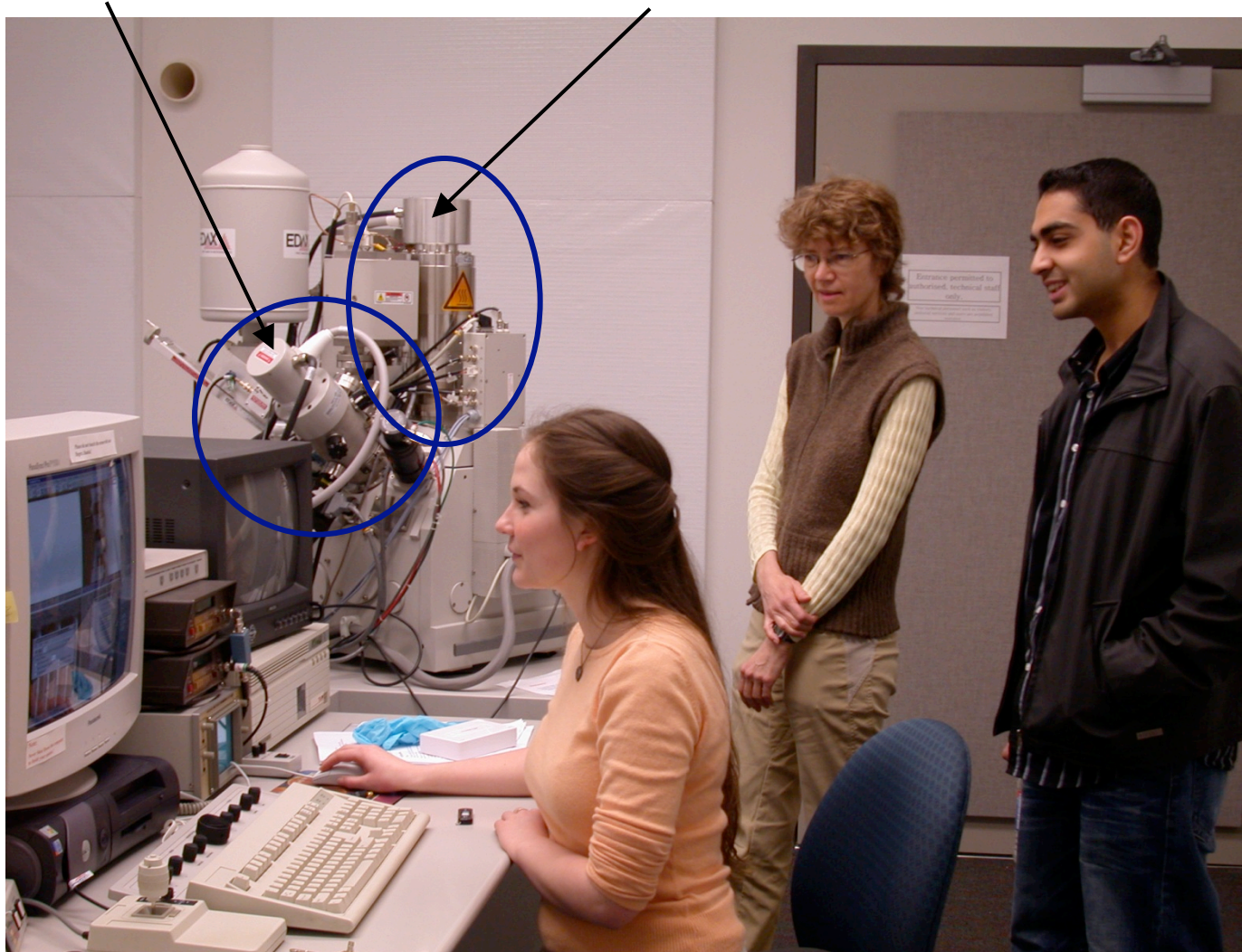
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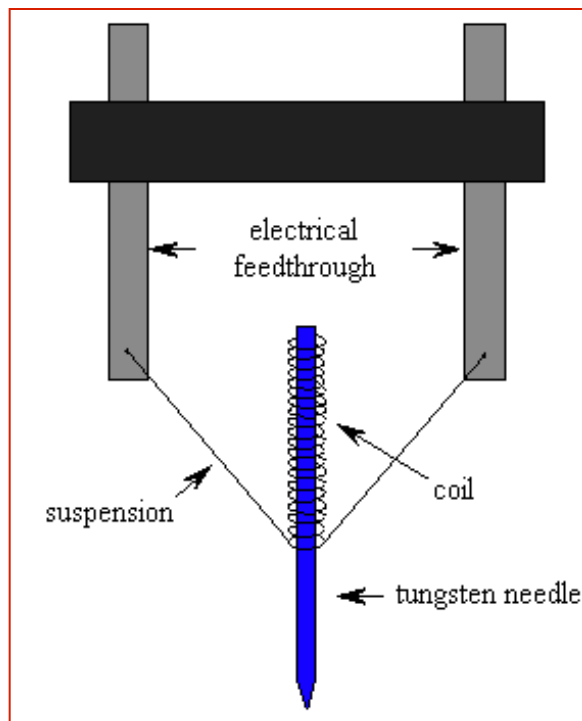


Focussed Ion Beam with a Scanning Electron Microscope

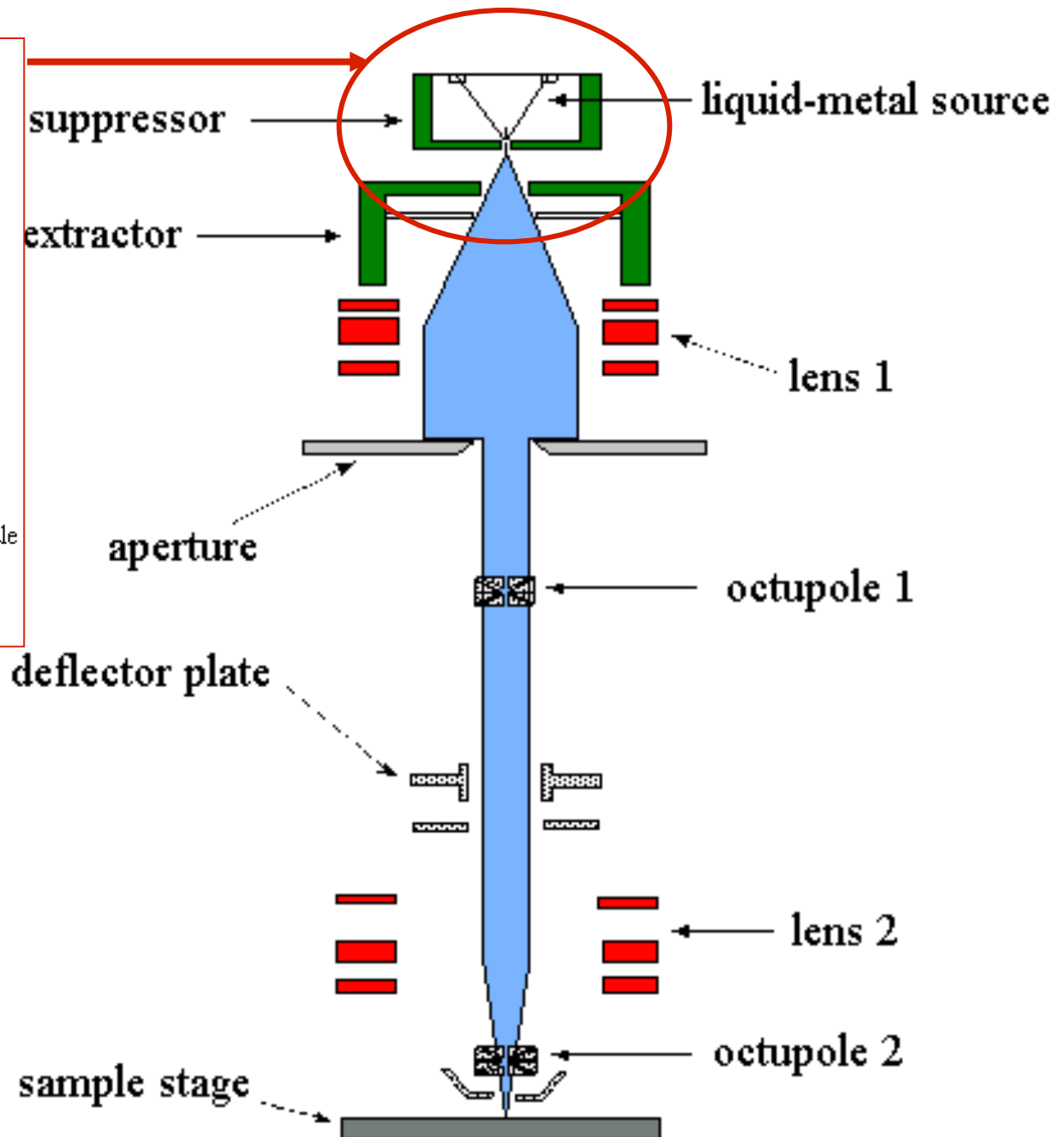


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Ga ion source



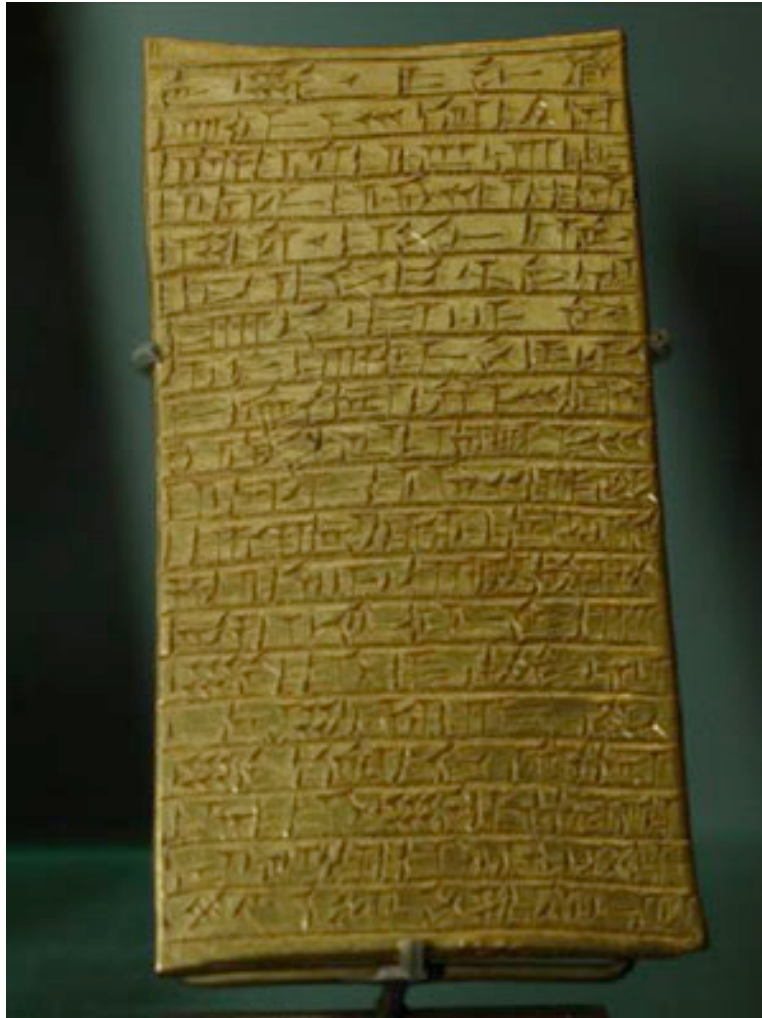
Alma Lee's Ball:

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Cuneiform Tablets:

Persepolis (in Louvre)
(ancient Iran 500 BC)



Sumerian,
(ancient Iraq)
(2000 BC)
British
Museum



Cuneiforms were written on [clay tablets](#), on which [symbols](#) were drawn with a blunt [reed](#) called a [stylus](#). The impressions left by the stylus were wedge shaped, thus giving rise to the name cuneiform ("wedge shaped").

Persepolis (ancient city 500 BC, ruins located 30 km north of Shiraz, Iran)



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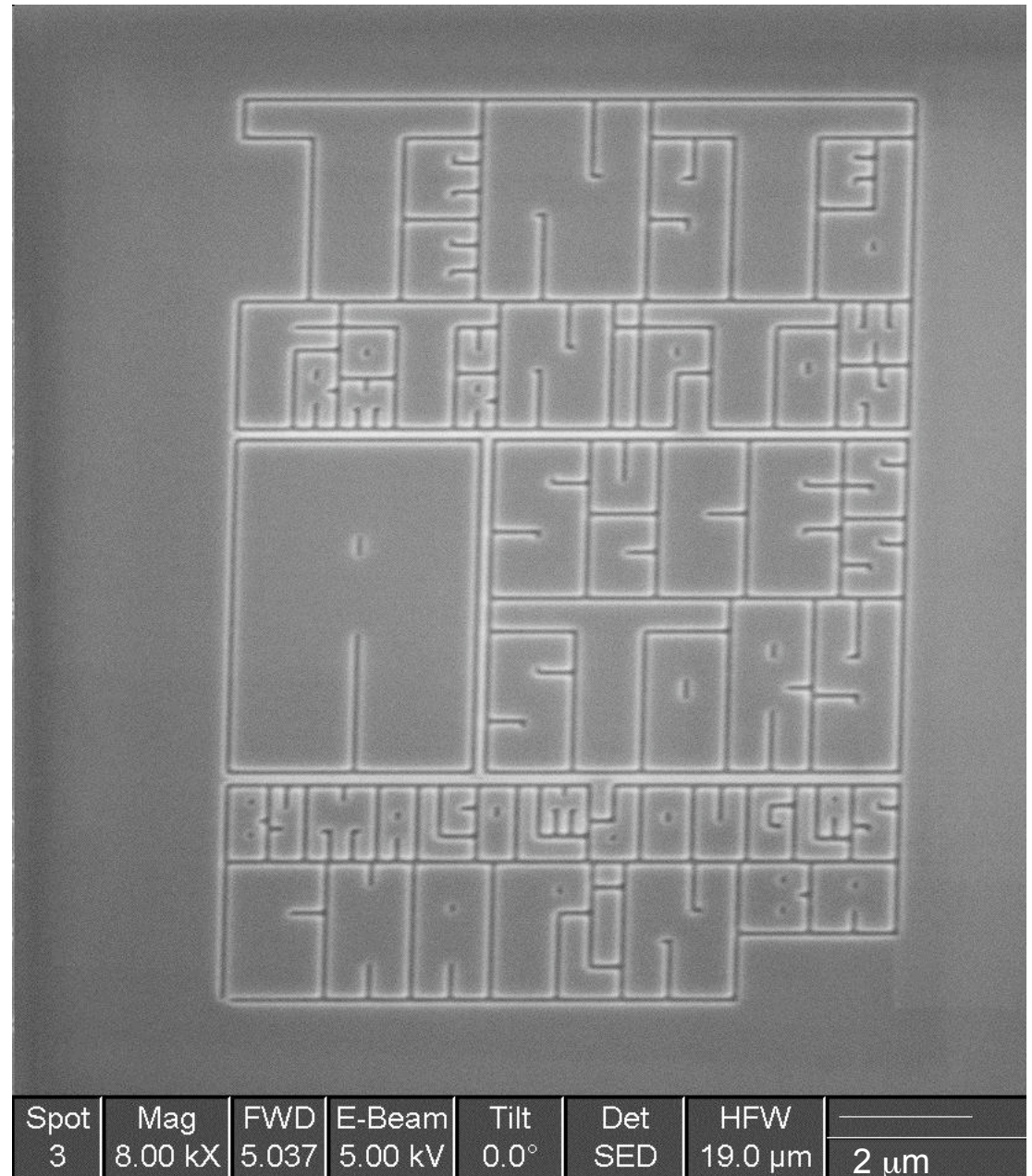
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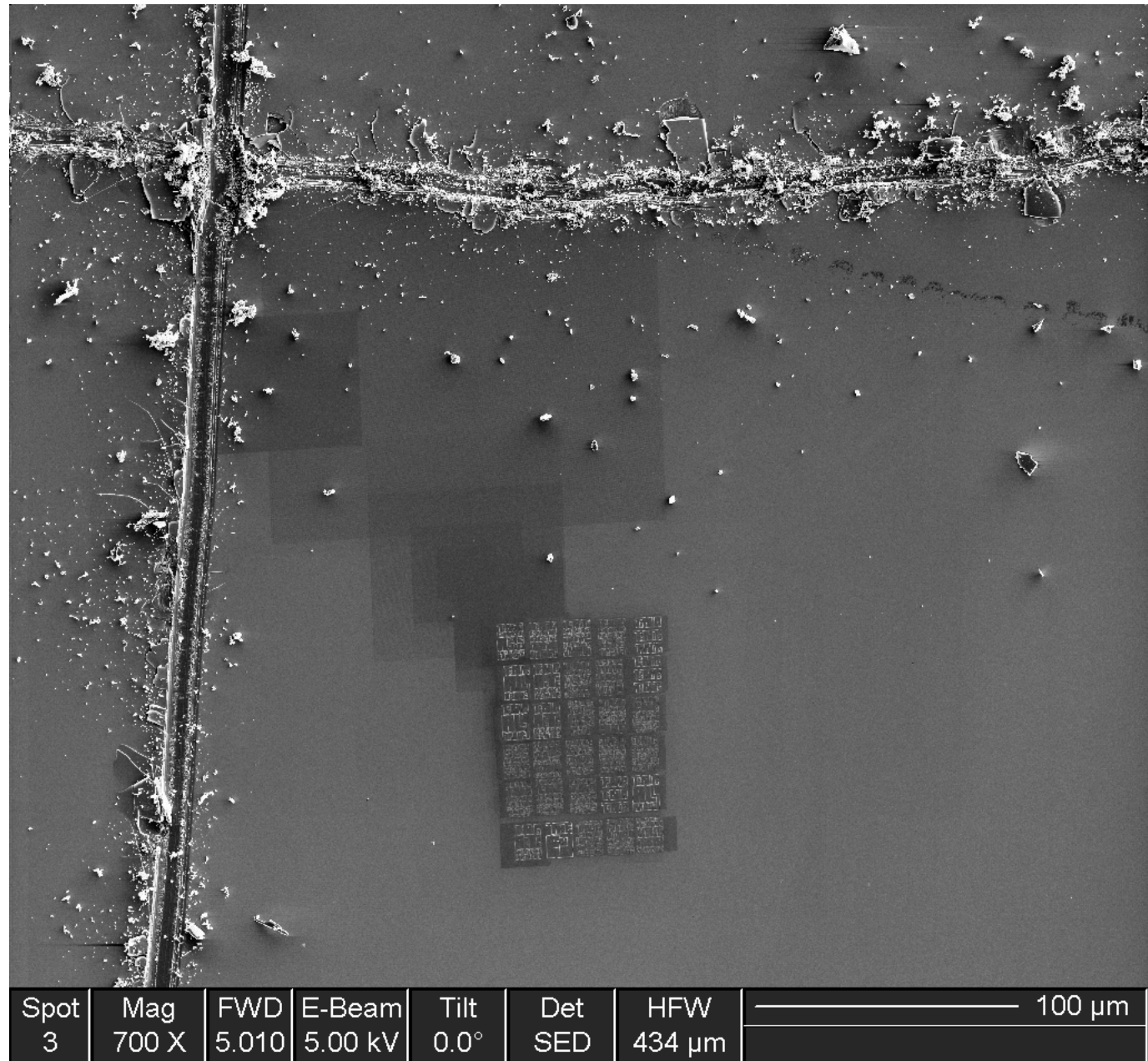
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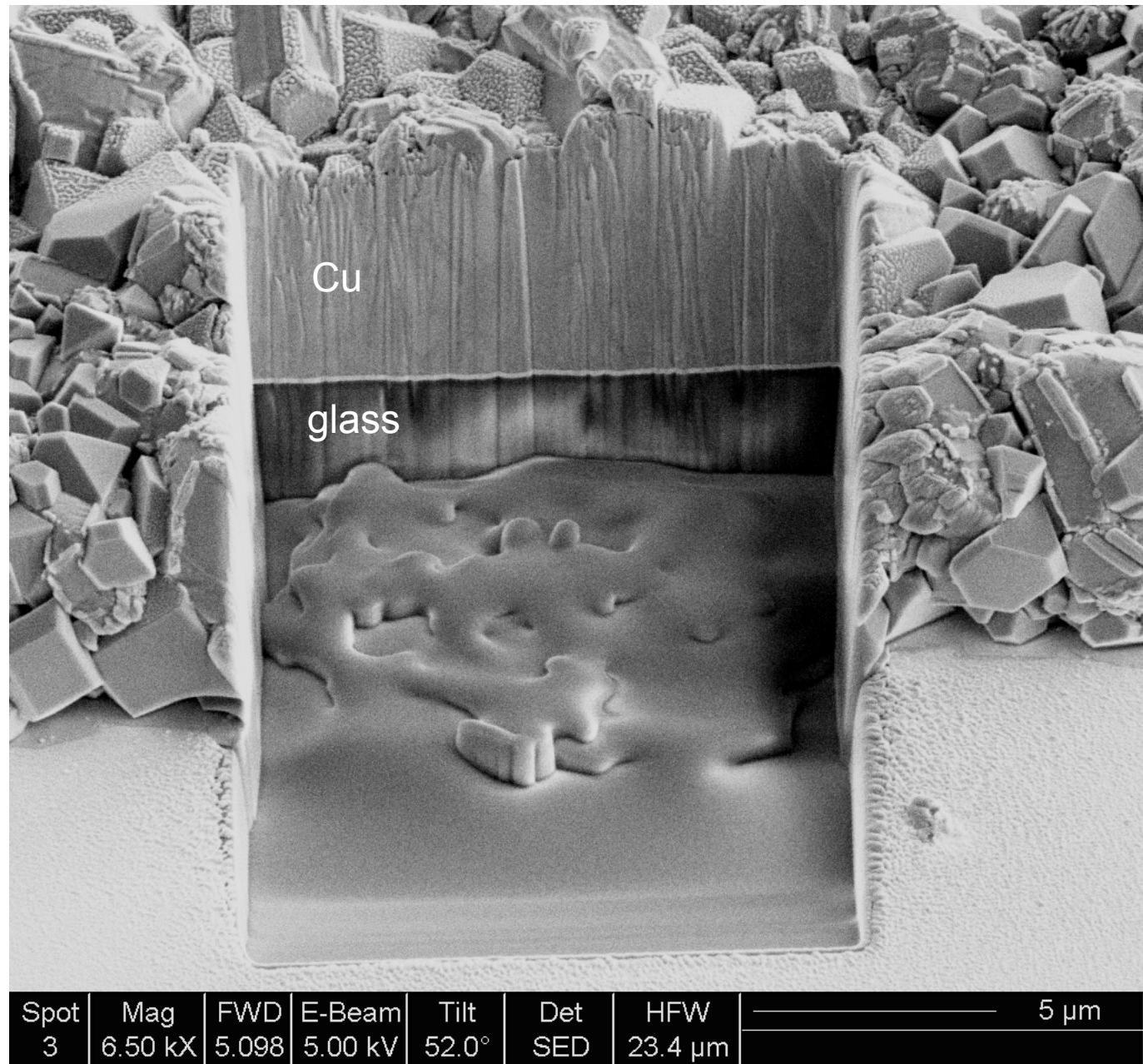
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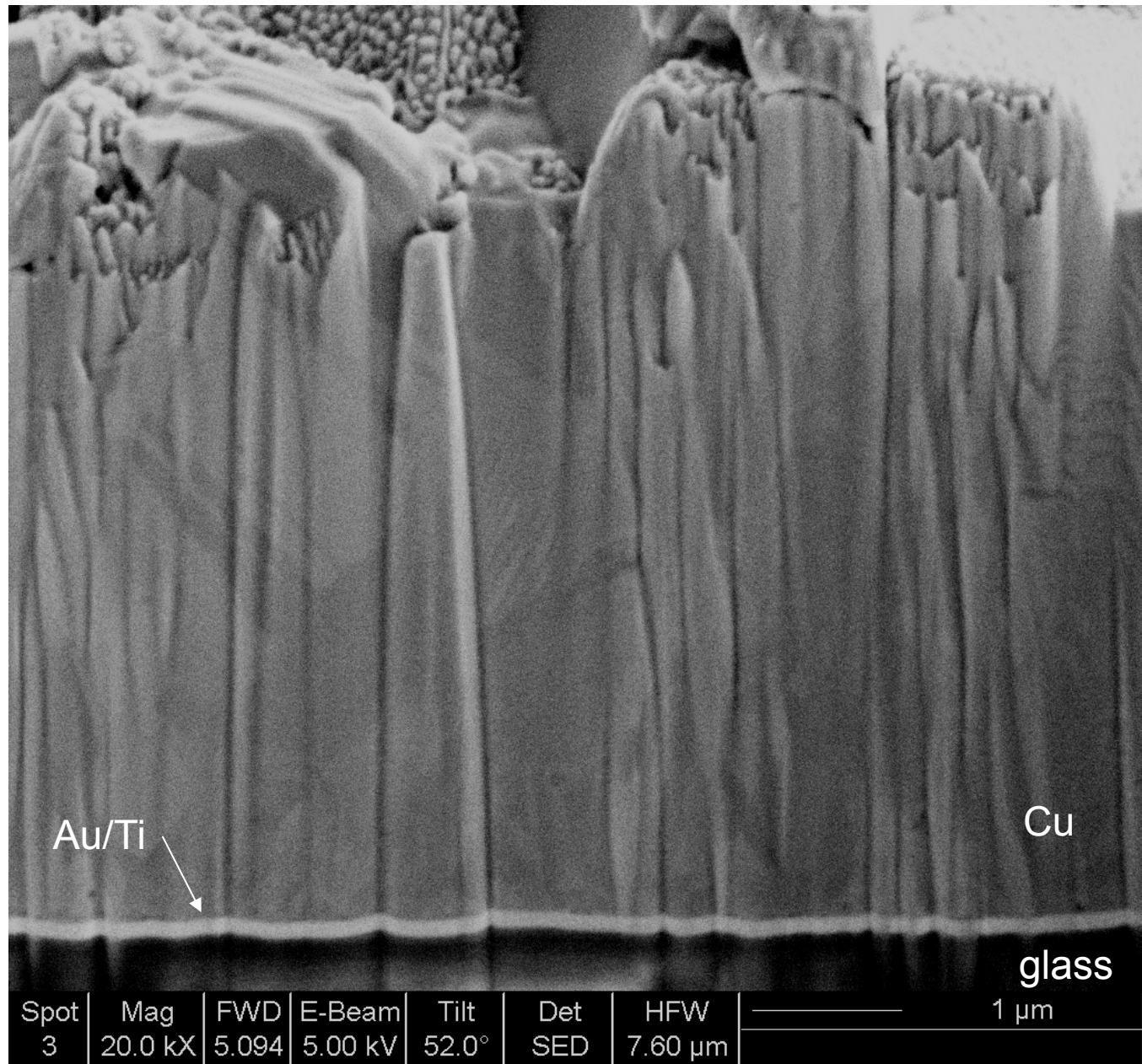
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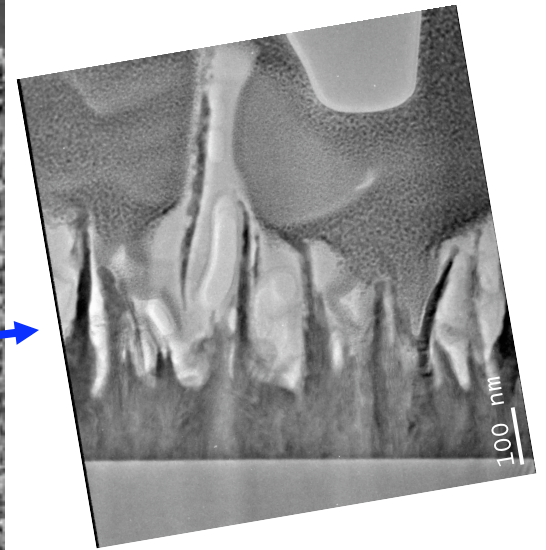
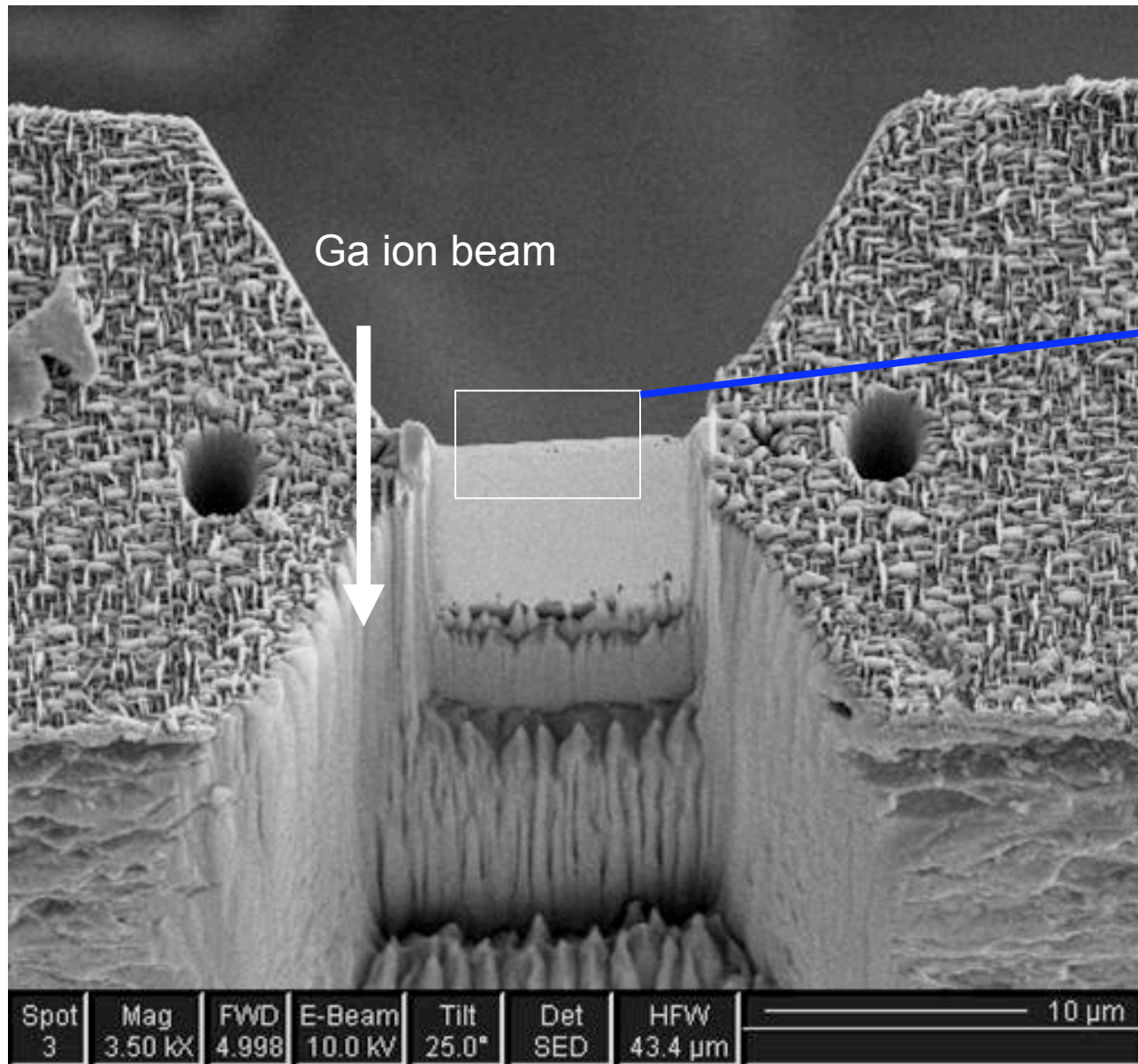


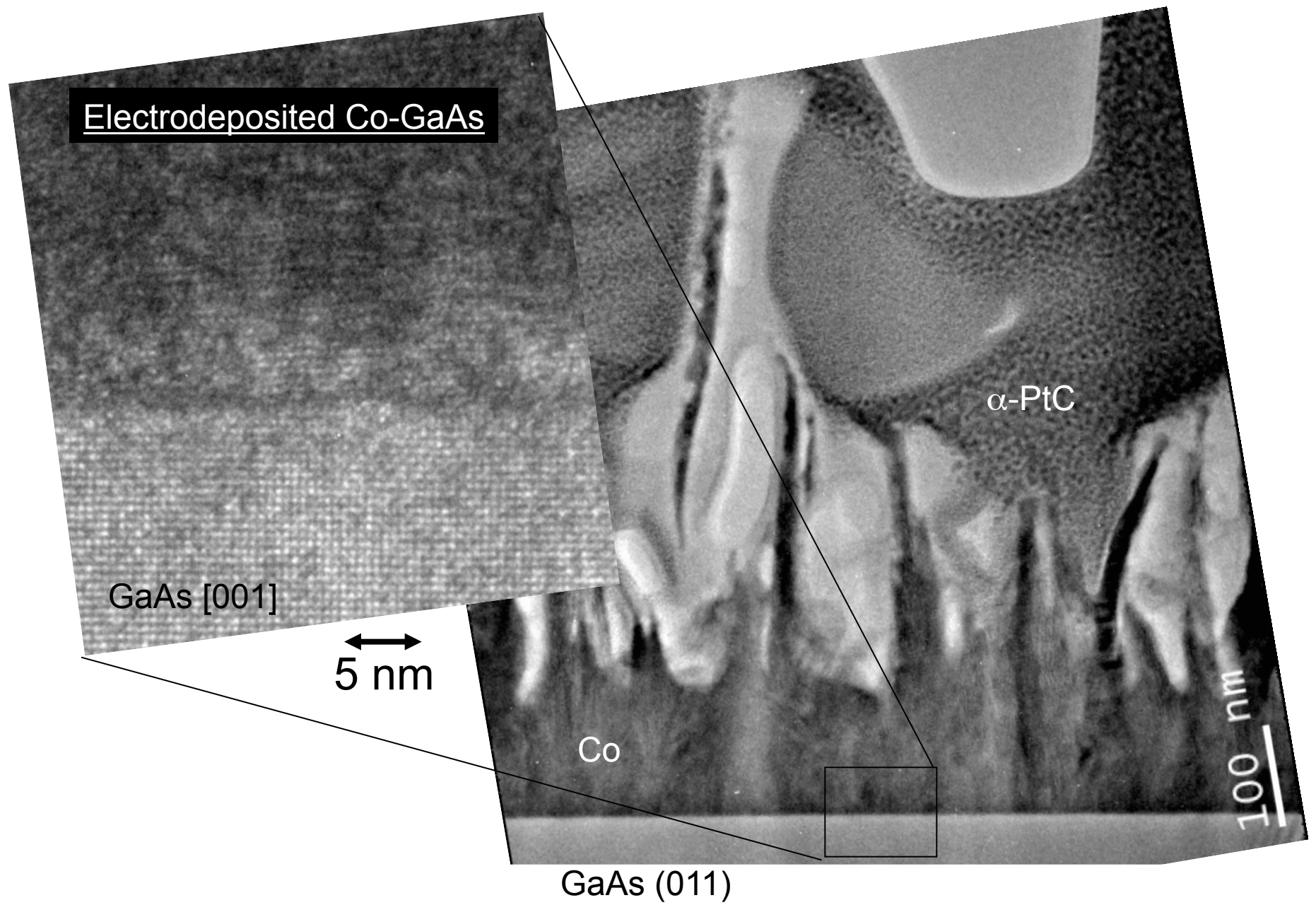
SEM image of a
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Array fibbed by Brian Leathem, M.Sc. 2004

Array C

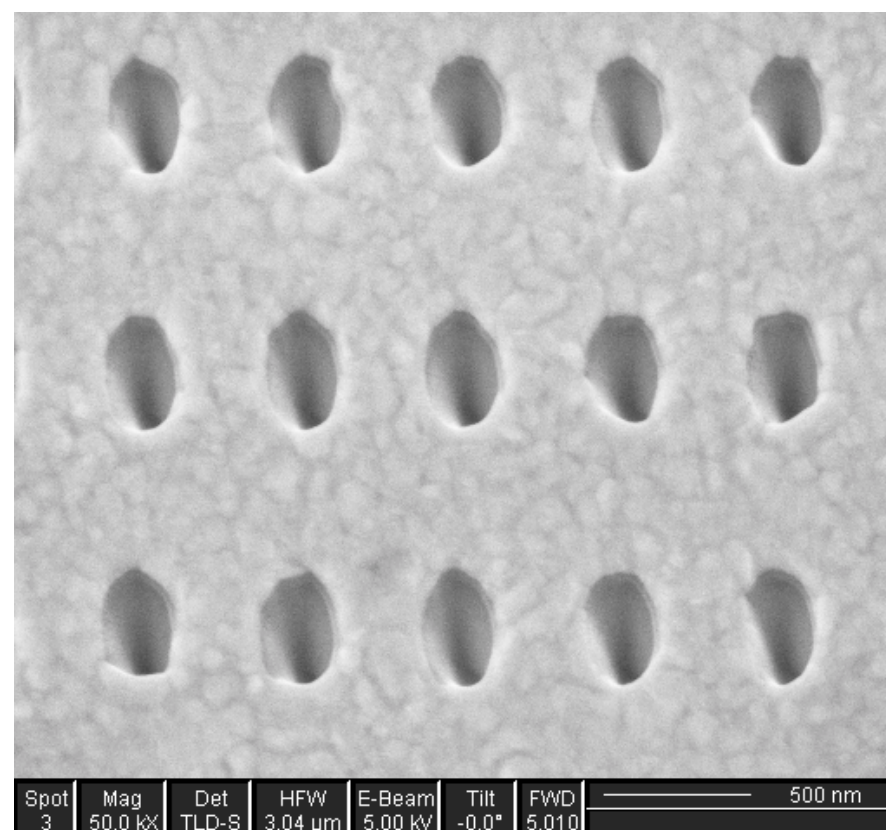
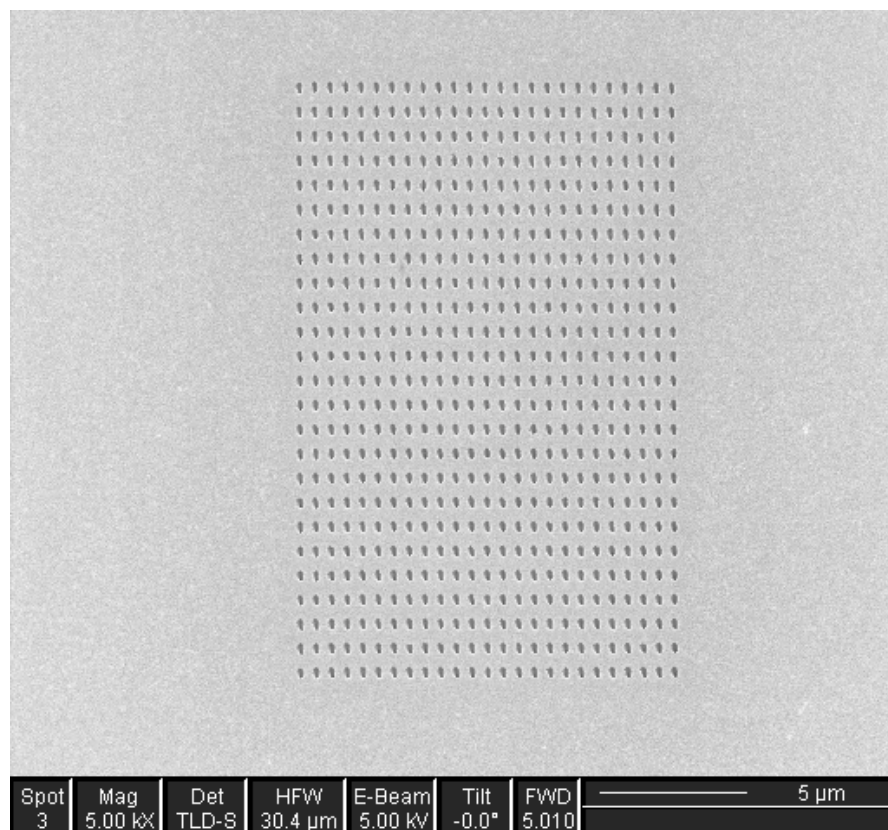
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Target diameter: 71 nm Measured diameter: 380x260 nm

Dwelltime: 300 ns

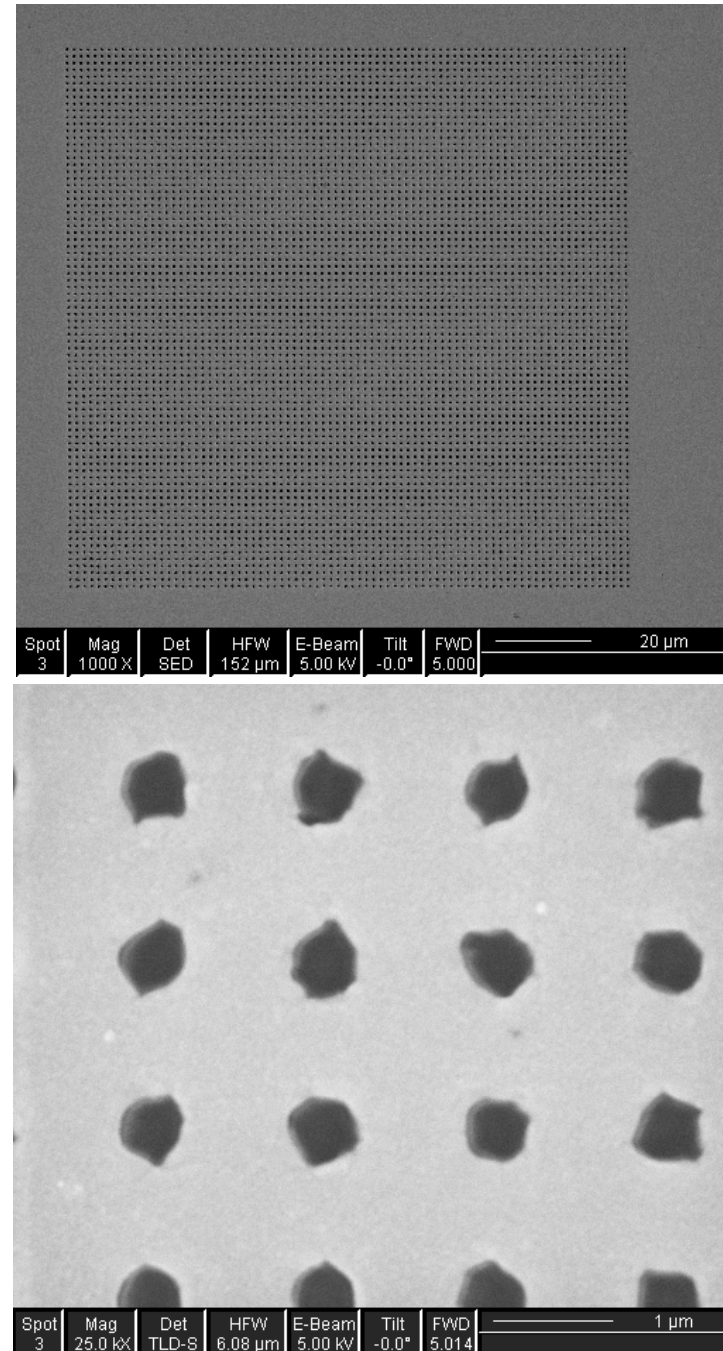
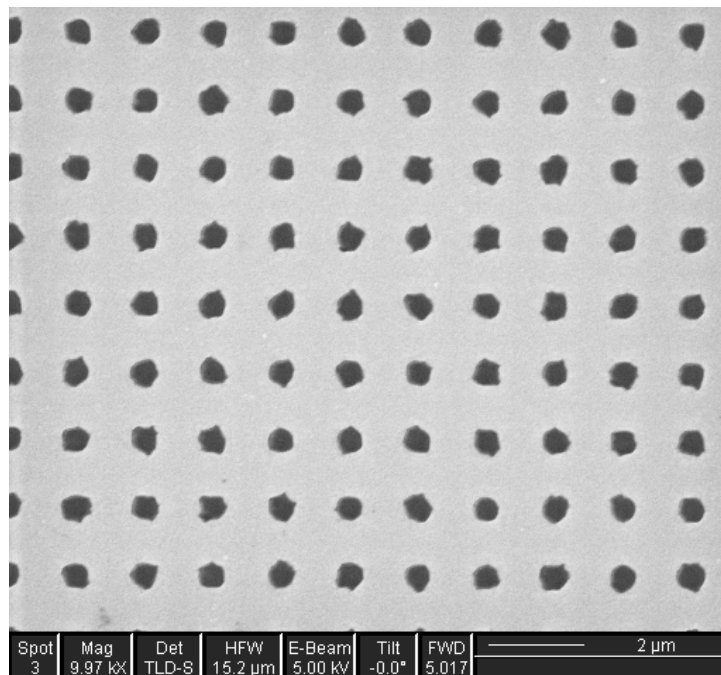
Ion current: pA ??

Magnification: 10k



Array B

Target spacing: ~ 1480 nm
Measured spacing: 1380 nm
Target diameter: ~ 500 nm
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Dwell time: ns ??
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Magnification: 1.2k



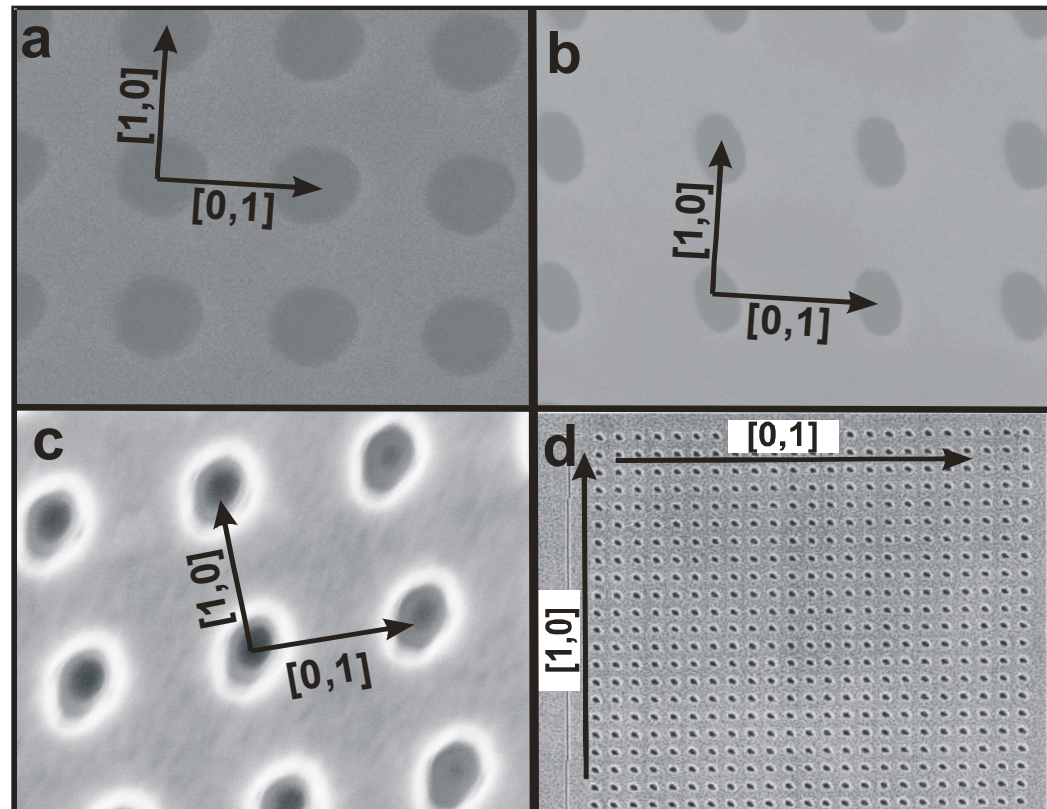
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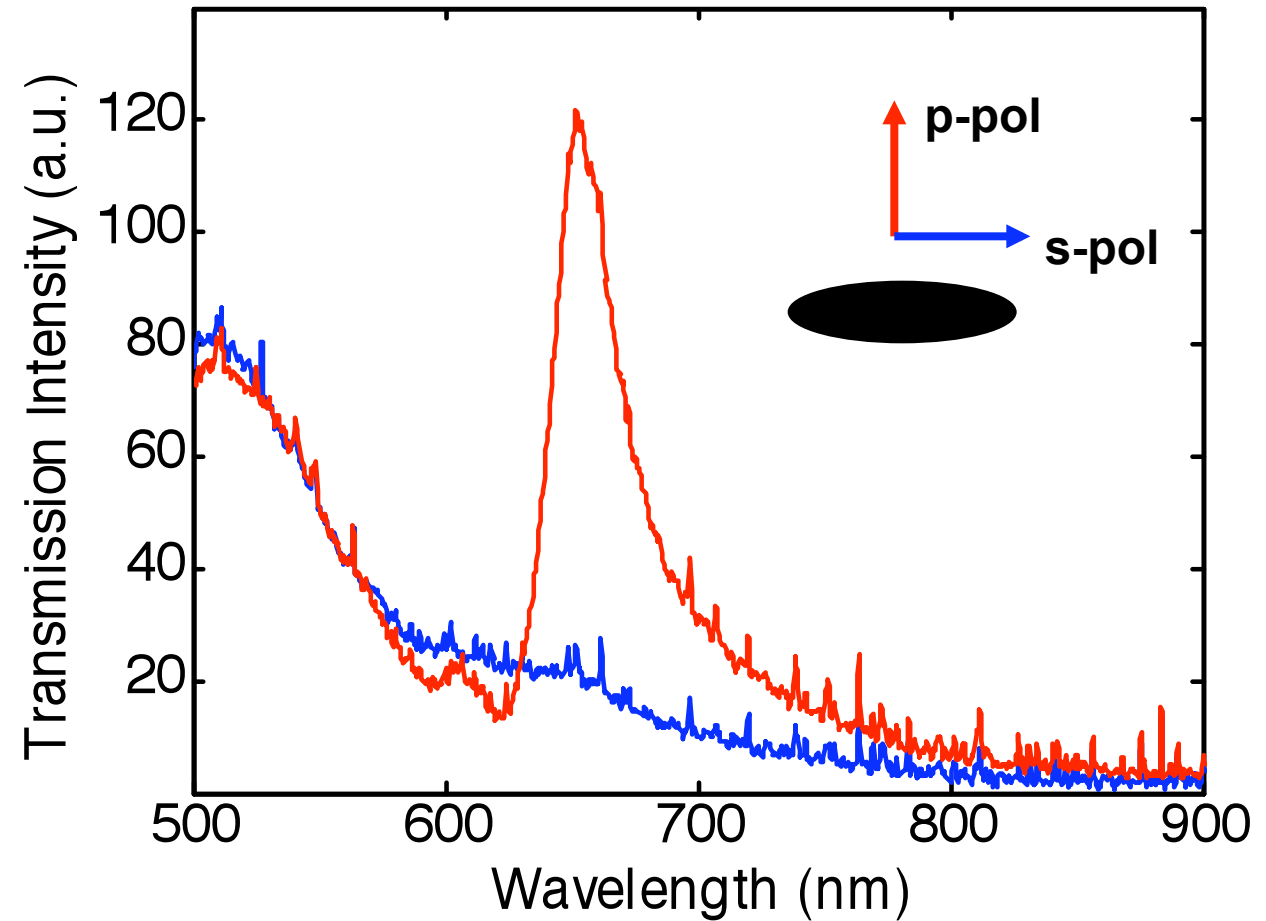
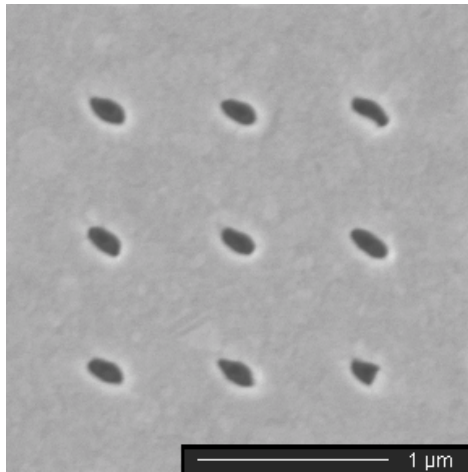
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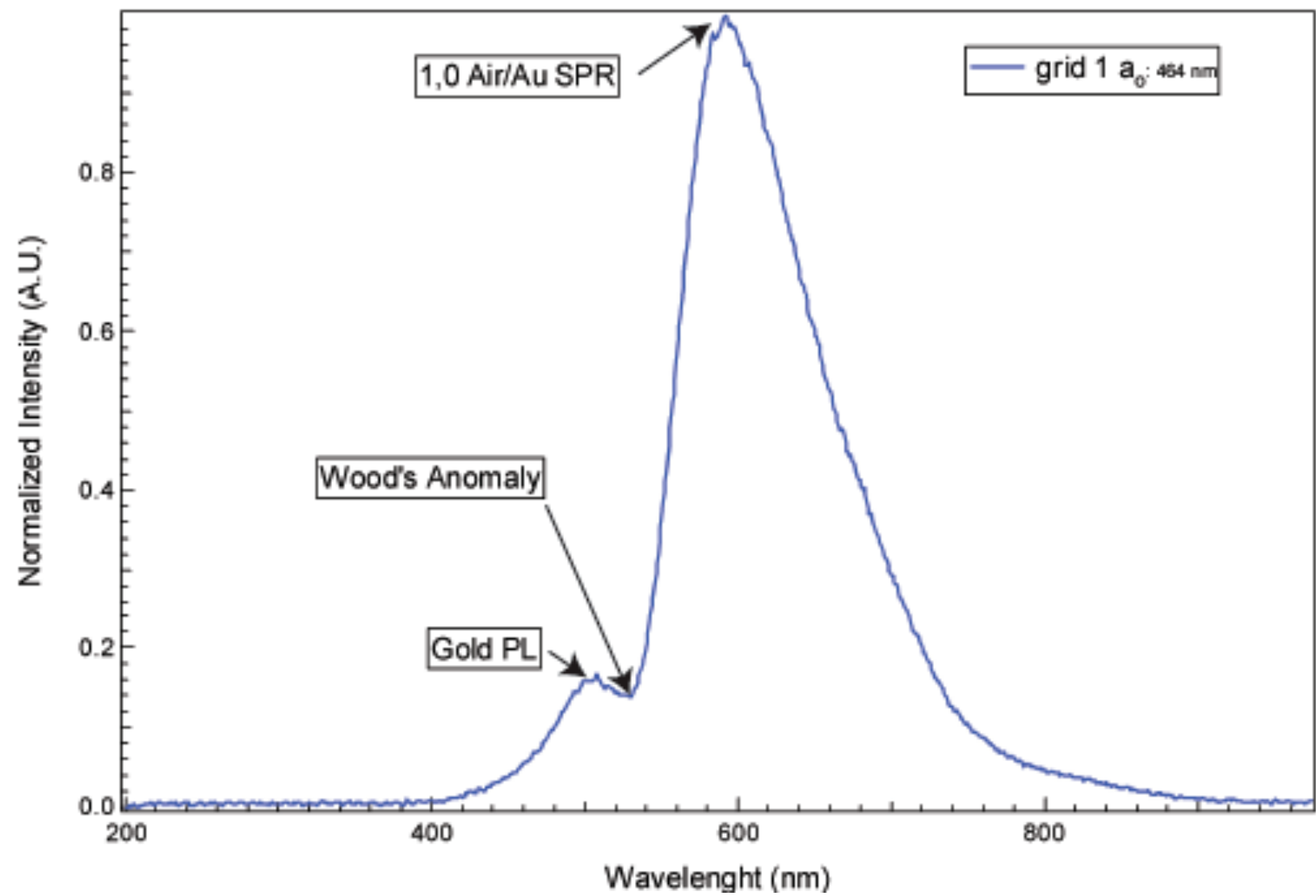
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23 × 23 arrays of ~200-nm
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Enhanced polarization selectivity

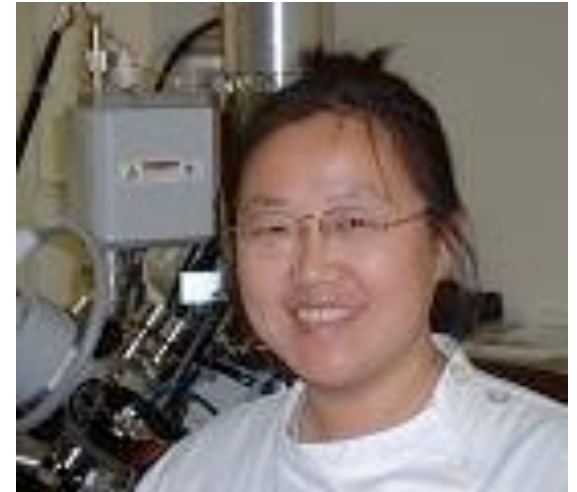




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