# three-dimensional silver nanofabrication through multiphoton photoreduction

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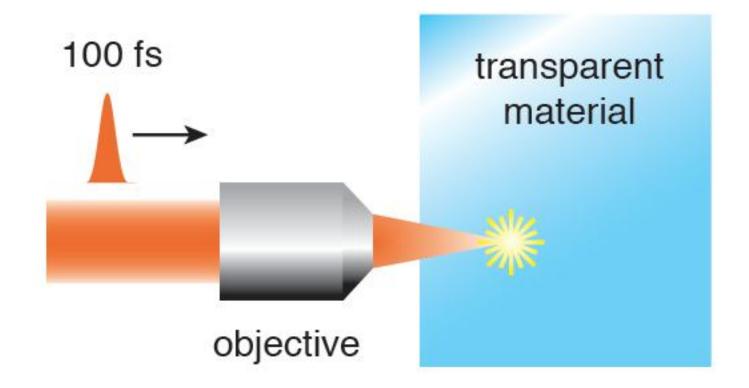


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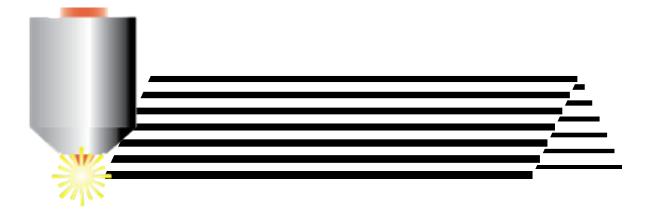
- ability to modify a material from within
- small amounts of energy
- inherently 3D

#### how?

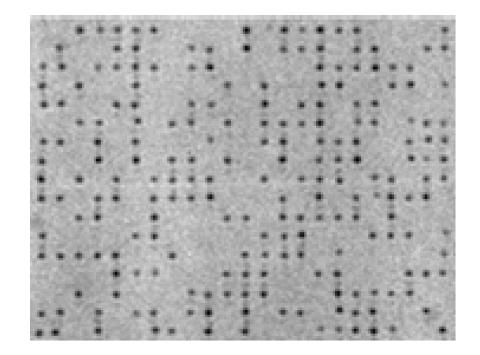


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## raster scanning in 3D

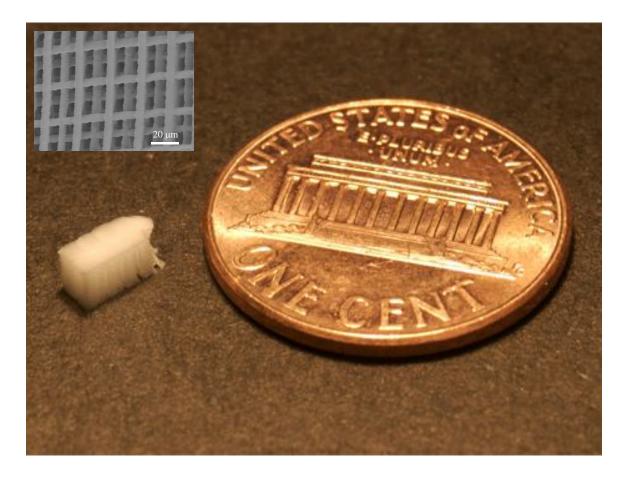


## glasses



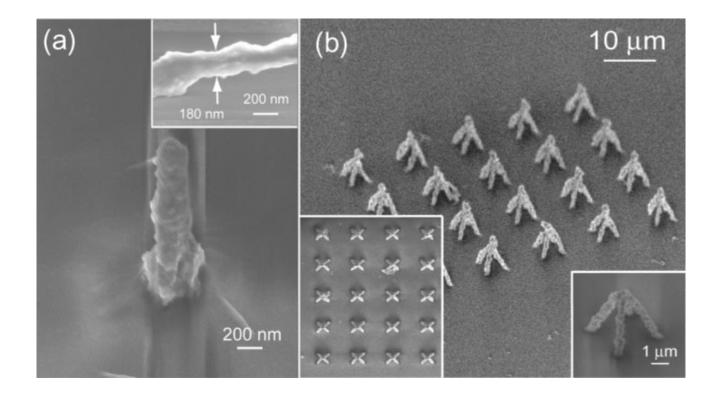
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## polymers



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#### metals



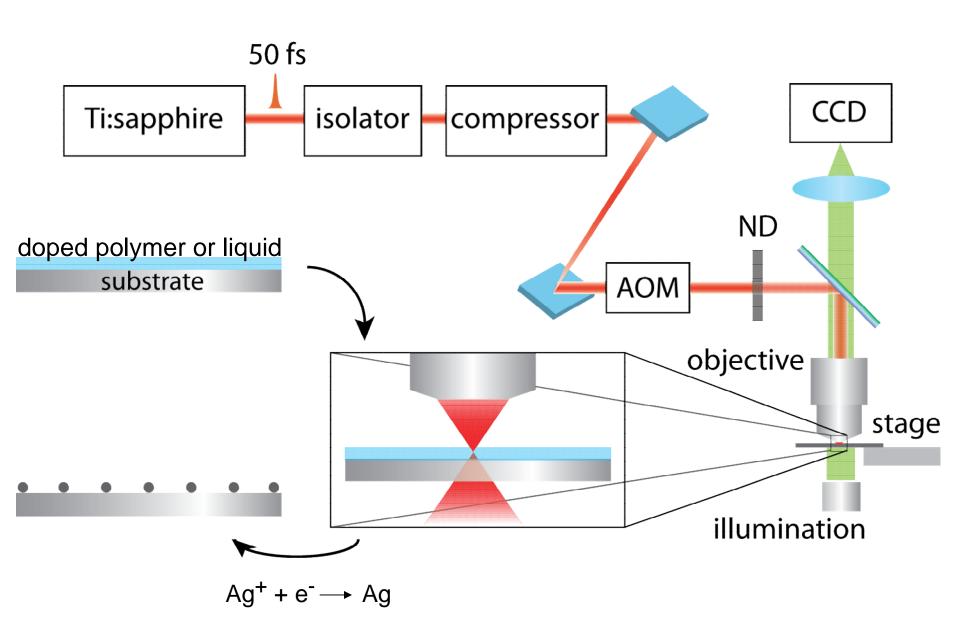
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#### nanofabrication of metals

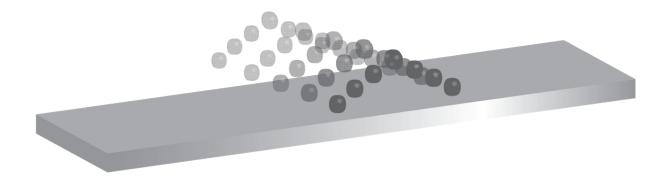
## nanofabrication of metals

## why?

- metamaterials
- microelectronics
- biosensing



#### how about this structure?



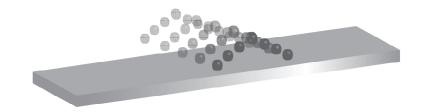
#### overview



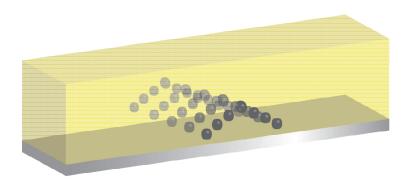
#### 500 nm

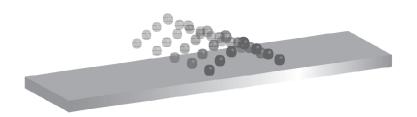
15 µm

#### how to make this structure?

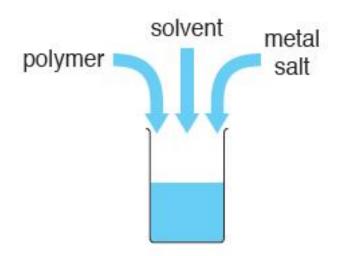


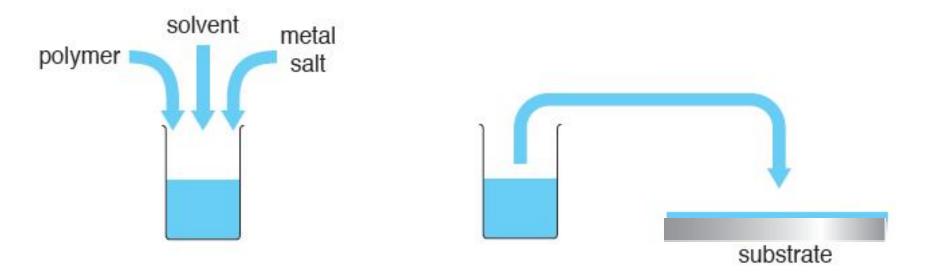
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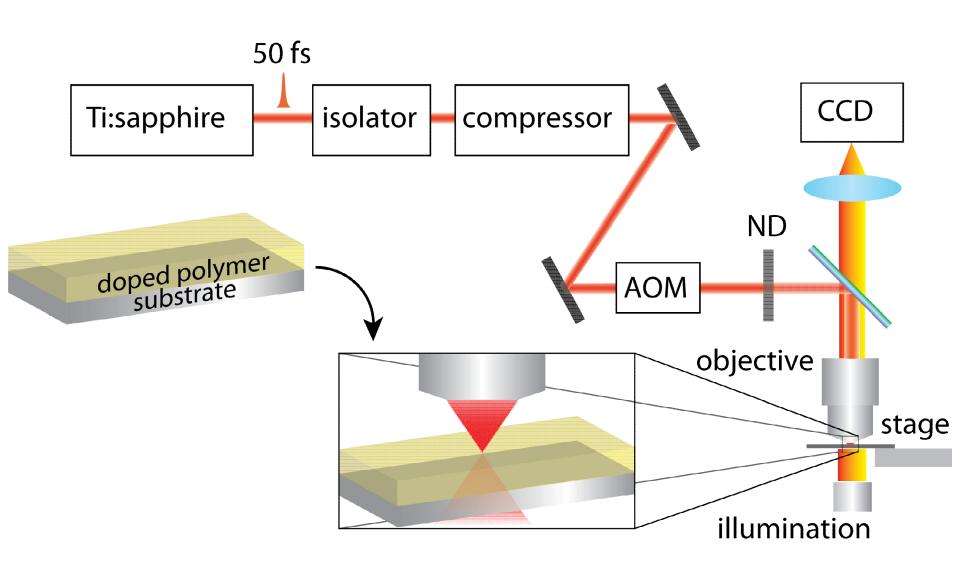


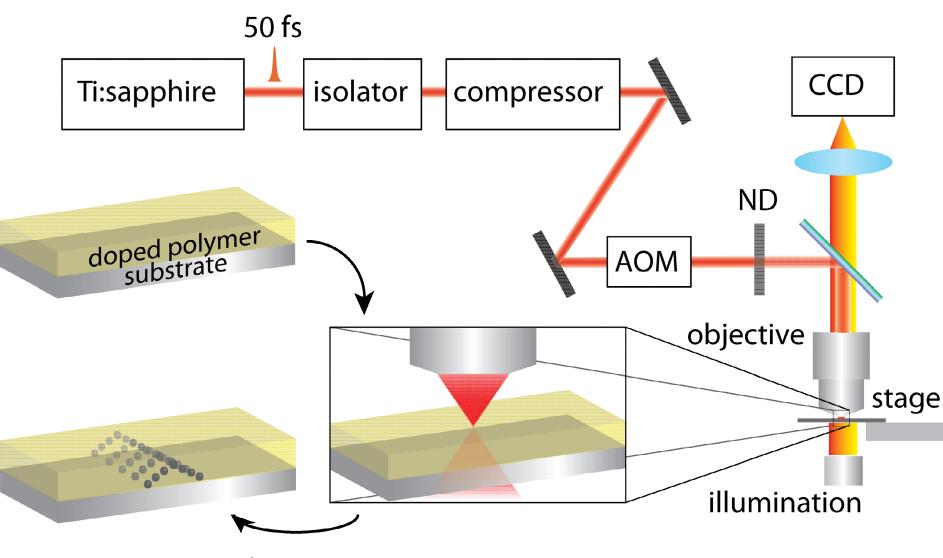


#### sample preparation

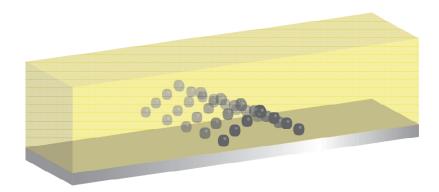


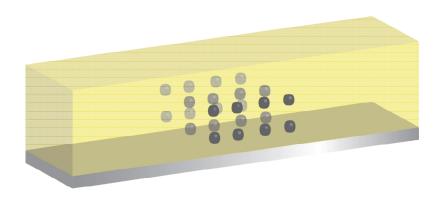


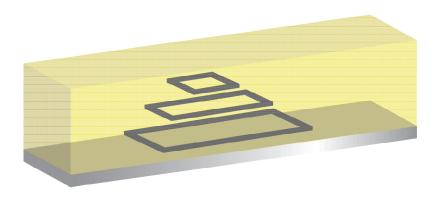




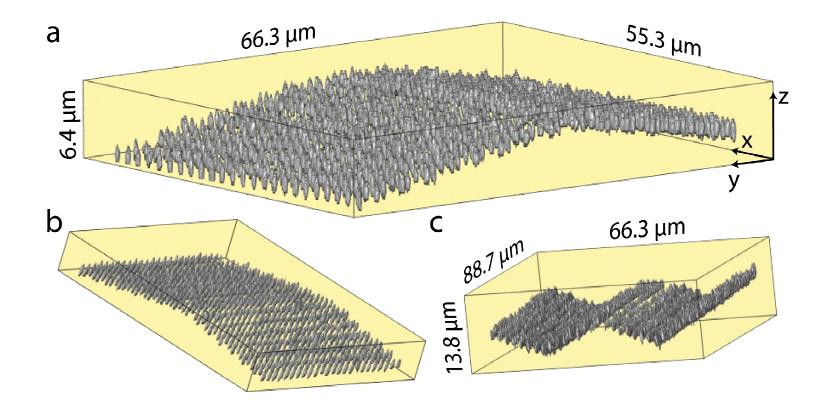
 $Ag^+ + e^- \rightarrow Ag$ 

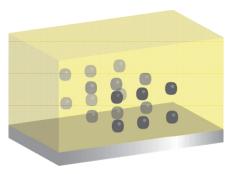




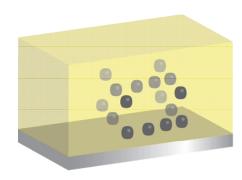


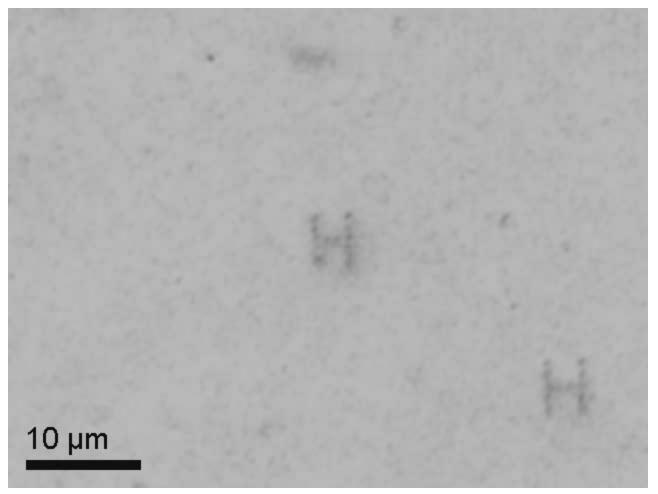
## 3D rendering

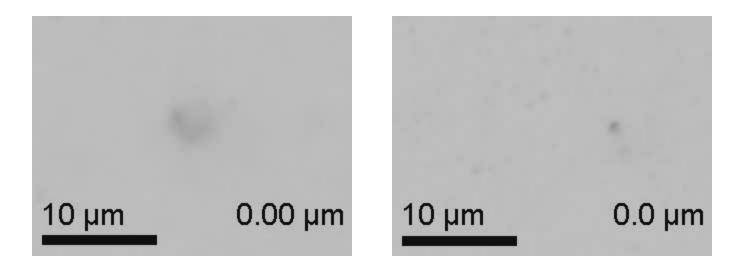


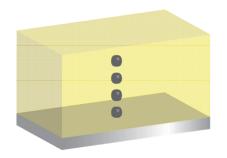


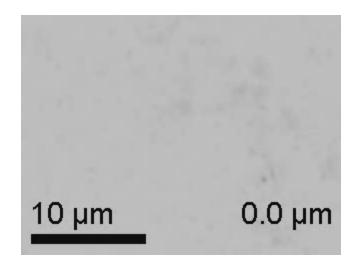








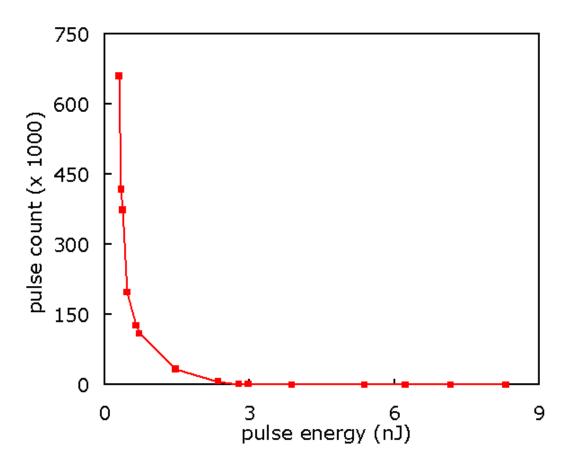




## fabrication parameters

- > 100 µm/s
- < 1 nJ
- single step

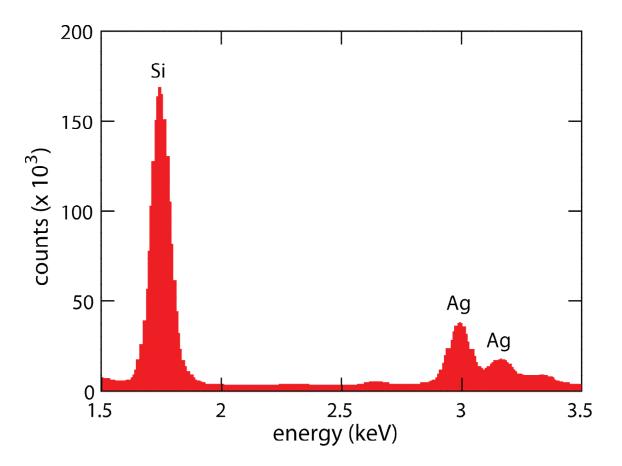
#### pulse count vs. pulse energy



#### characterization in 2D



#### energy dispersive x-ray spectroscopy



## taking a close look

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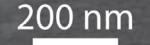
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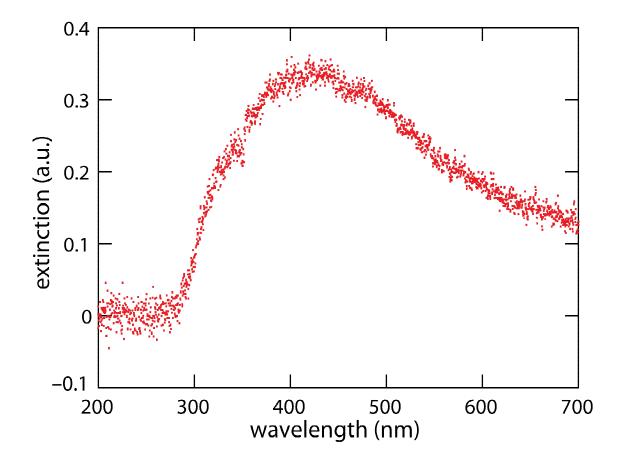
## taking a closer look



## even closer



#### extinction



#### summary

- direct laser writing of silver
- 3 dimensional
- embedded in polymer matrix
- disconnected structures
- can be stacked
- sub-300 nm

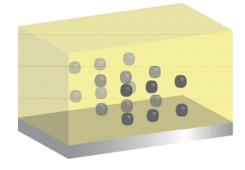
#### next

#### resolution

crystal growth

#### conductivity

#### device



#### 500 nm

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