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Carbon Nanotubes

Moore's Law

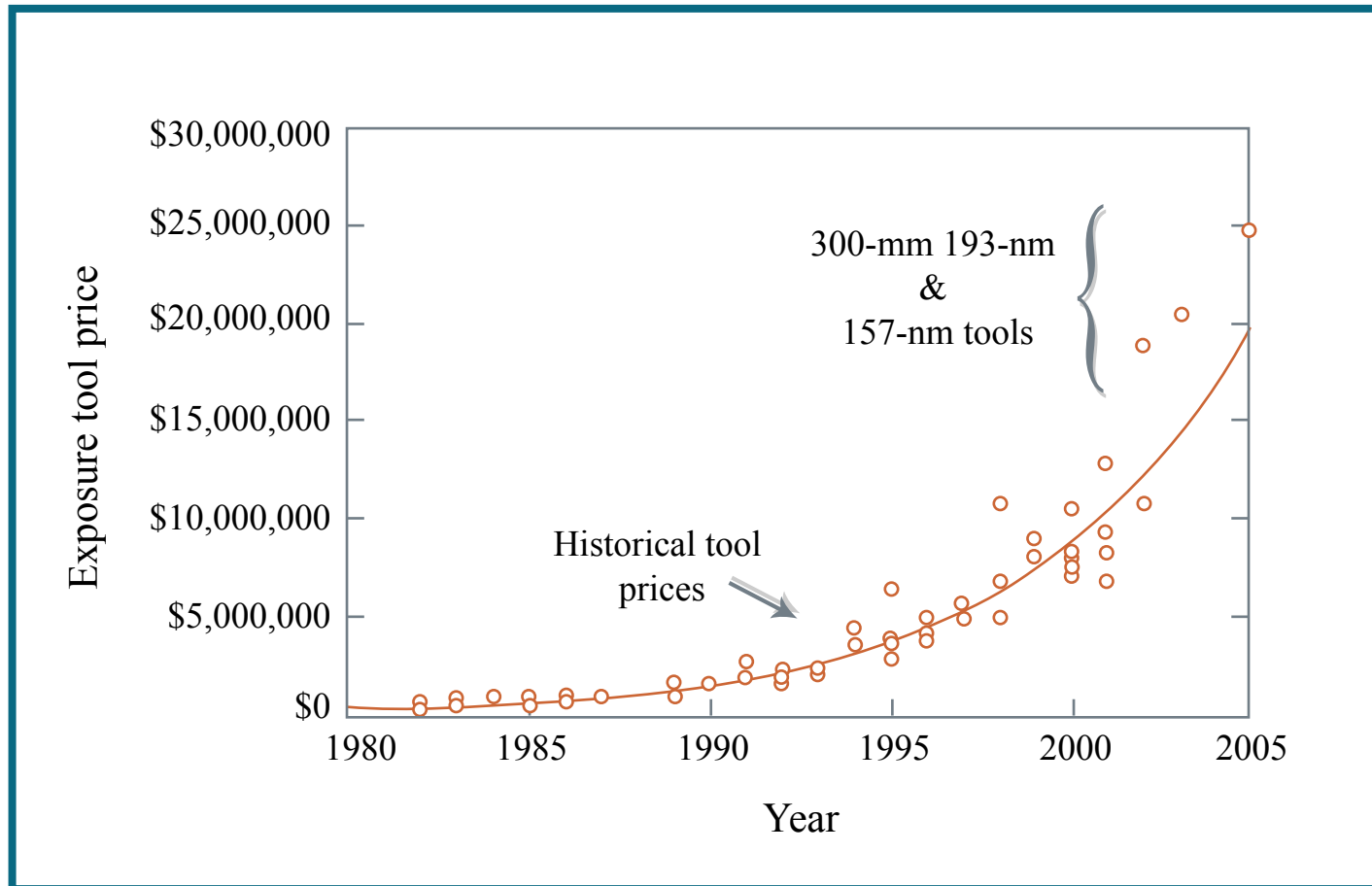
The number of transistors per chip doubles every 18 months.

– Moore's Law

_ Moor's Second Law

	Year of introduction	Transistors
4004	1971	2,250
8008	1972	2,500
8080	1974	5,000
8086	1978	29,000
286	1982	120,000
386™	1985	275,000
486™ DX	1989	1,180,000
Pentium®	1993	3,100,000
Pentium II	1997	7,500,000
Pentium III	1999	24,000,000
Pentium 4	2000	42,000,000

Lithography Tool Cost



Aerial density, hard disk

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- Superparamagnetic Effect
“a point where the data bearing particles are so small that random atomic level vibrations present in all materials at room temperature can cause the bits to spontaneously flip their magnetic orientation, effectively erasing the recorded data. ”

Limit of Optical Lithography

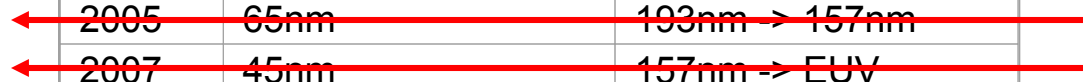
- $W = k \lambda / NA$ (Rayleigh Eqn.) = $\lambda / (2 \cdot n \cdot NA)$
- In 1975, 405 nm (Hg H-line) at an NA of 0.32, a linewidth of 1 μm
- deep-UV (248-nm), 193 nm, 157nm

**Table 1: Wavelength "Generations"
Intel Road Map**

Year	Node	Lithography
1981	2000nm	i/g-line Steppers
1984	1500nm	i/g-line Steppers
1987	1000nm	i/g-line Steppers
1990	800nm	i/g-line Steppers
1993	500nm	i/g-line Steppers
1995	350nm	i-line -> DUV
1997	250nm	DUV
1999	180nm	DUV
2001	130nm	DUV
2003	90nm	193nm
2005	65nm	193nm -> 157nm
2007	45nm	157nm -> EUV
2009	32nm and below	EUV

- Nanoimprinting
- Soft Lithography
- Dip Pen Lithography
- SPM-based patterning

193 nm immersion
lithography



Nanotechnology

Top-down Method

- nanostructures by shrinking macrostructures

Bottom-up Method

- self assembly of atoms or molecules into nanostructures

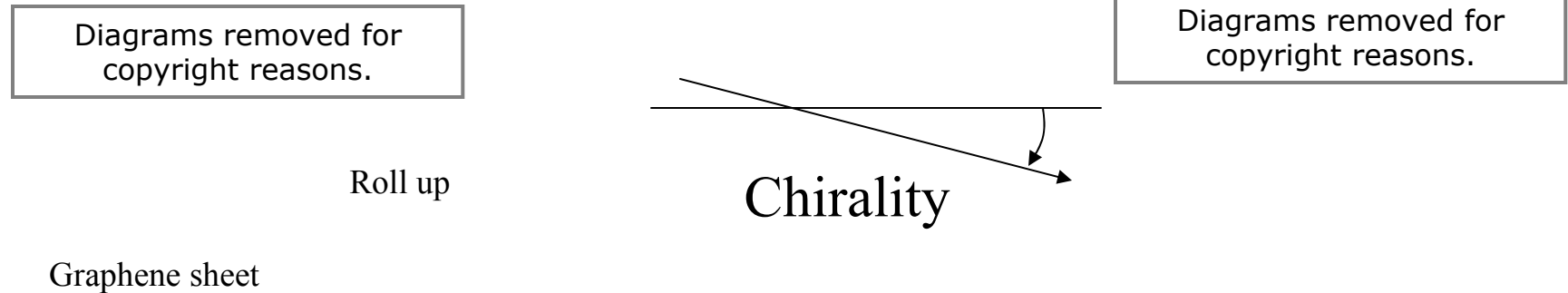
Science meets Engineering

Nanomanufacturing

Carbon nanotube

- 1959: Richard Feynman's famed talk.
 - 1981: Binnig and Rohrer created the STM to image individual atoms.
 - 1985: Curl, Kroto, Smalley discovered C_{60} .
 - 1993: Iijima, Bethune discovered single wall carbon nanotubes.
 - 1998: Cees Dekker's group created a TUBEFET
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- Discovered by Sumio Iijima (NEC) in his study of arc-discharge products. *Nature*, 354, 56 (1991)
 - Giant Fullerene molecules made of sheets of carbon atoms, coaxially arranged in a cylindrical shape.
 - • SWNT, single-walled nanotube ($1 < d < 3$ nm.)
 - • MWNT, multi-walled nanotube ($d > 3$ nm)

Properties of Carbon Nanotubes



- Size: dimensions of ~ 1 nm diameter (~ 20 atoms around the cylinder)
- Electronic Properties: Can be either metallic or semiconducting depending on the diameter or orientation of the hexagons
- Mechanical: Very high strength and modulus. Good properties on compression and extension
- Highest Young's Modulus of all known materials ($Y \sim 1.2$ TPa).
- Extraordinary mechanical resilience: compression, tension, torsion and buckling without breaking C-C bonds

Rolling up graphene layer  Nanotubes

armchair $\theta = 30^\circ$

zigzag $\theta = 0^\circ$

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chiral $0 < \theta < 30^\circ$

$$Ch = n\bar{a}_1 + m\bar{a}_2$$

$$d_{tube} = \frac{\sqrt{3}a_{cc}}{\pi} \sqrt{n^2 + nm + m^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left[\sqrt{3}m / (2n + m) \right]$$

Possible Chiral Vectors

$$\mathbf{Ch} = n\bar{\mathbf{a}}_1 + m\bar{\mathbf{a}}_2$$

$$|\mathbf{Ch}| = \sqrt{3}a_{cc} \sqrt{n^2 + nm + m^2}$$

$$d_{tube} = \frac{\sqrt{3}a_{cc}}{\pi} \sqrt{n^2 + nm + m^2}$$

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● metal ○ semiconductor

$(n-m) = 3q$ metallic

$(n-m) = 3q \pm 1$ semiconducting

M. S. Dresselhaus, Electronic Structure of Chiral Graphene Tubules, Appl. Phys. Lett. 60 (18), 1992

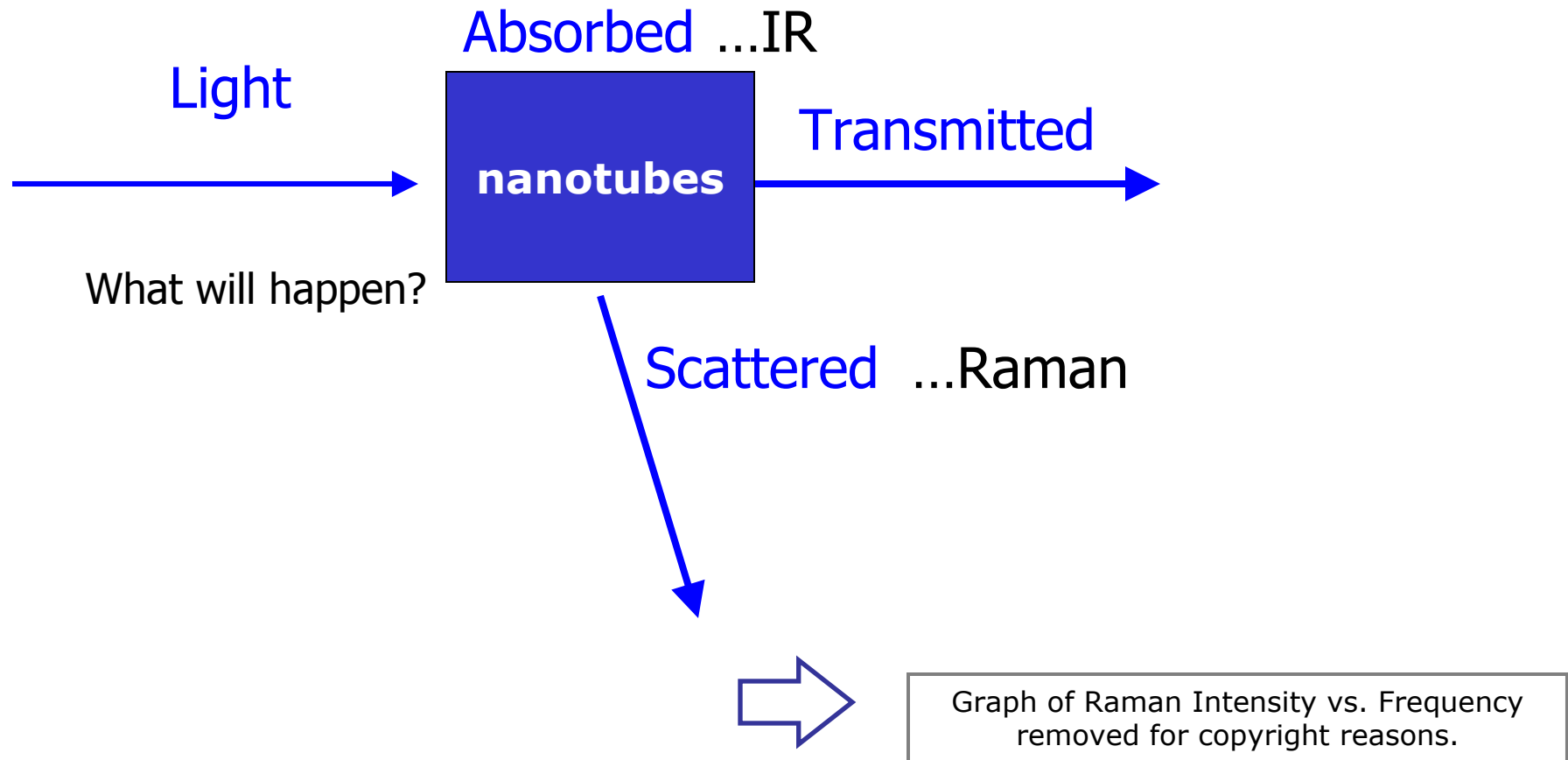
Characterization

- Structural
- Electrical
- Optical

Vibrational modes in nanotubes

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Raman Spectroscopy



Raman Spectroscopy of Carbon Nanotubes

M. S. Dresselhaus and P. C. Eklund,
Advances in Physics 49 705 (2000)

- Non-destructive, contactless measurement
 - Room Temperature
 - In Air at Ambient Pressure
 - Quick (1min), Accurate in Energy
- Diameter Selective (Resonant Raman Effect)
- Diameter and Chirality dependent phonons
 - Characterization of (n,m)
 - Related to Low Dimensional Physics

Synthesis

- Arc discharge
 - Nanotubes found in soot produced in arc-discharge with catalytic metals such as Fe, Ni and Co (S. Iijima, 1991)
- Laser ablation
 - YAG laser ablation of graphite target in a furnace at 1200 °C. (R. Smalley, 1996)

The location and alignment of the synthesized nanotubes can not be controlled.

- CVD
 - NT grown from nucleation sites of a catalyst in carbon based gas environments (Ethylene, Methane, etc.) at elevated temperatures (600 - 1000 °C).

Control of location, alignment, length and diameter, spacing between tubes

Arc Discharge

5-20mm diameter carbon rod

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Y. Saito *et al.*

Phys. Rev. 48 1907 (1993)

Laser Ablation

Nd-Yb-Al-garnet Laser, 1200

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copyright reasons.

A. Thess *et al.*

Science 273 483 (1996)

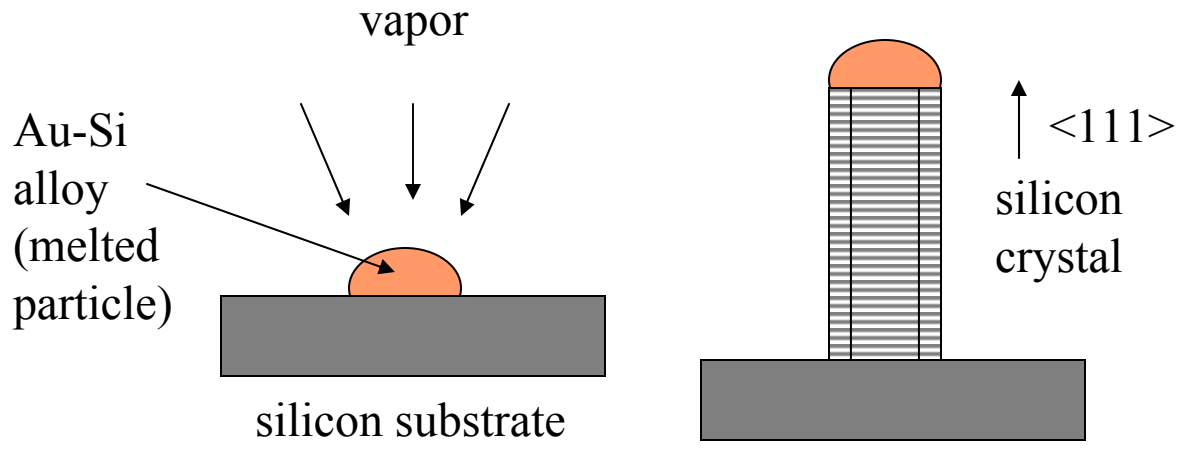
- Yields >70% SWNT if double pulsed
- Ropes 10-20 nm dia, 100 μm length
- How to scale up?

Chemical vapour deposition (CVD)

- Acetylene over iron nanoparticles 700°C forms MWNT covered with amorphous C on outer layer
- Ethylene, hydrogen + methane over Co, Ni, Fe nanoparticles at 1000°C forms 70-80% SWNT uncapped
- $2\text{CO} \rightarrow \text{C} + \text{CO}_2$ also forms NT

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VLS Mechanism



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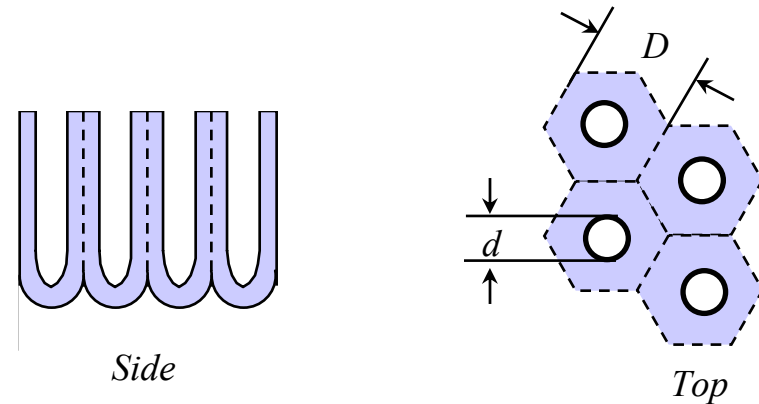
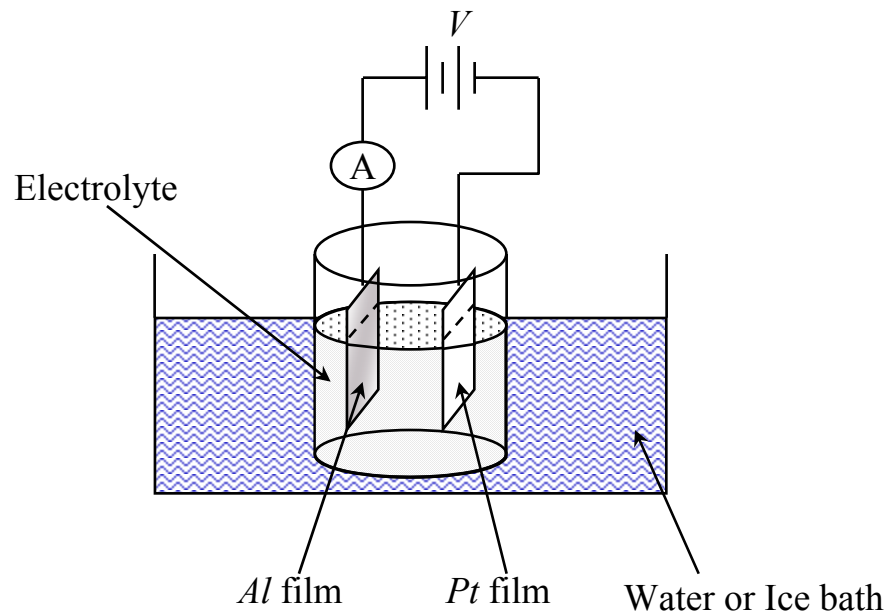
Si nanowire

Porous Anodic Alumina Films

Anodization Reaction :



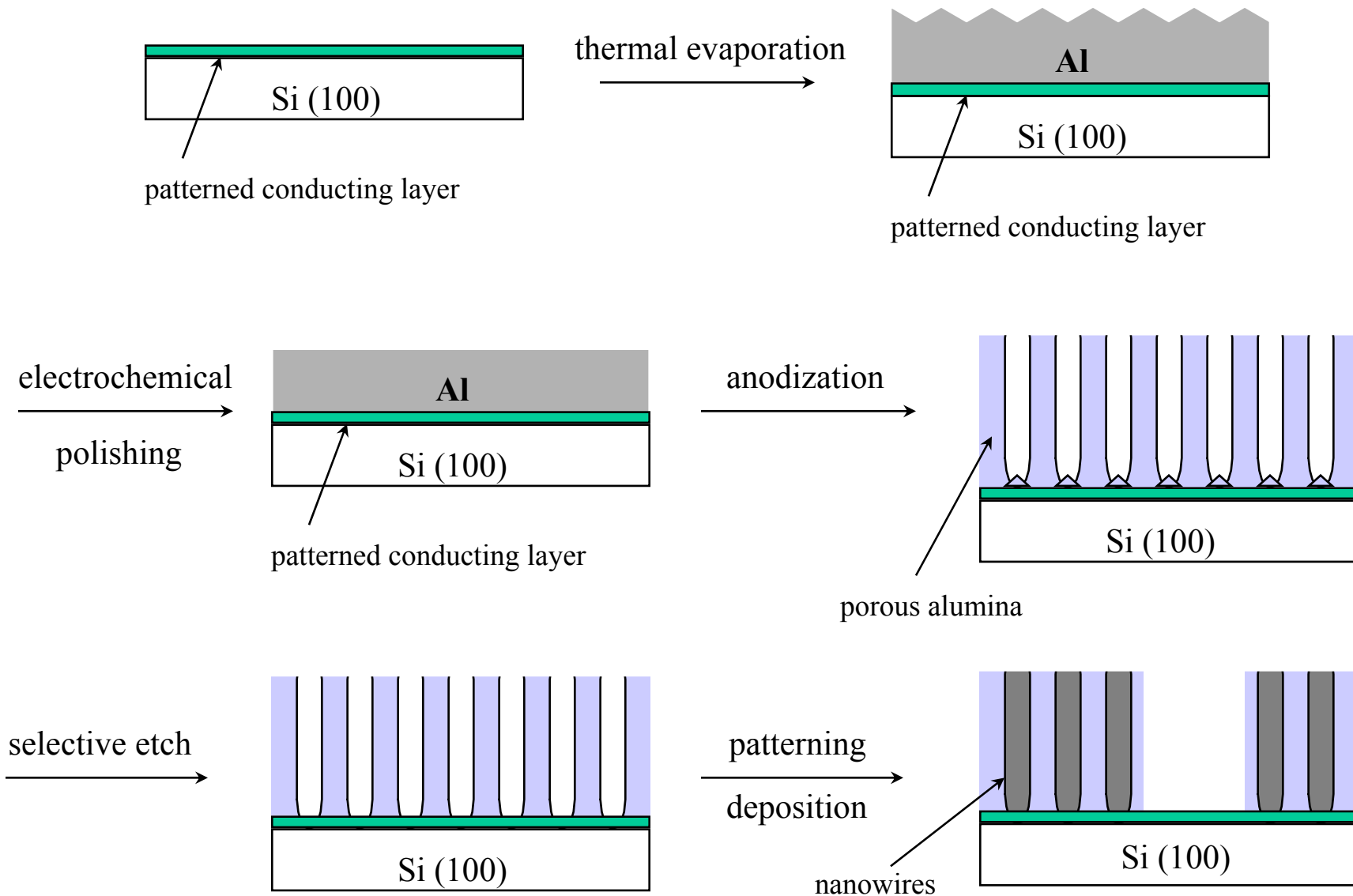
Experiment Setup :



- Controlling parameters:
 - Voltage, Electrolyte, Temperature, Time
- Cell size $D \sim 2.5 \times V$ (nm)
- Pore size $d \sim V$ (nm)
- Pore size can be enlarged in acids

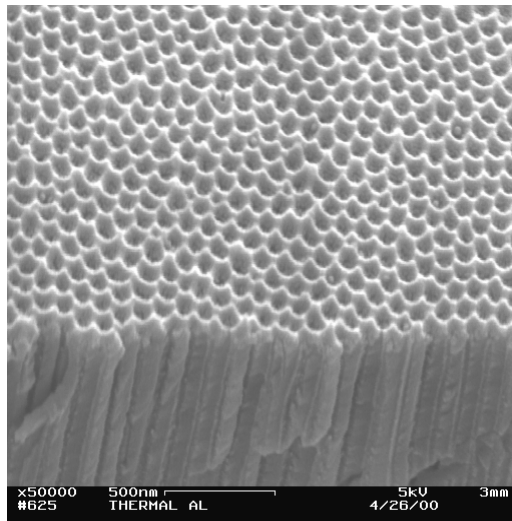
* Al film is electrochemically polished before anodization

Alumina Templates on Silicon Wafers

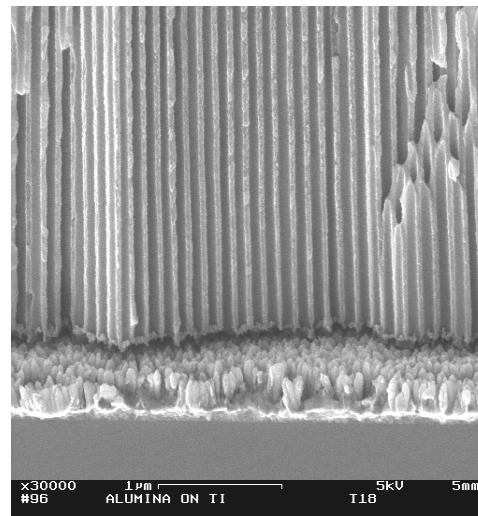


Nanowire by Alumina Template

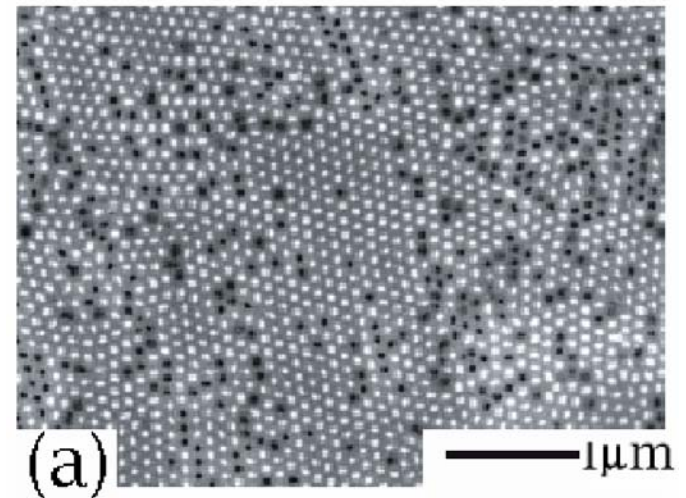
Oblique View



Cross Section



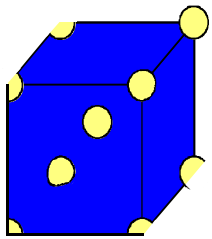
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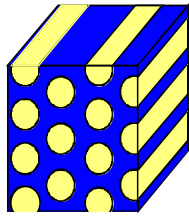
The new $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Si}$ structure conserves the dense uniform porous morphology with long channels, but consists of a thinner barrier layer.

Block Copolymer Template

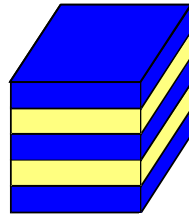
PS+PMMA copolymers



PMMA
<10%



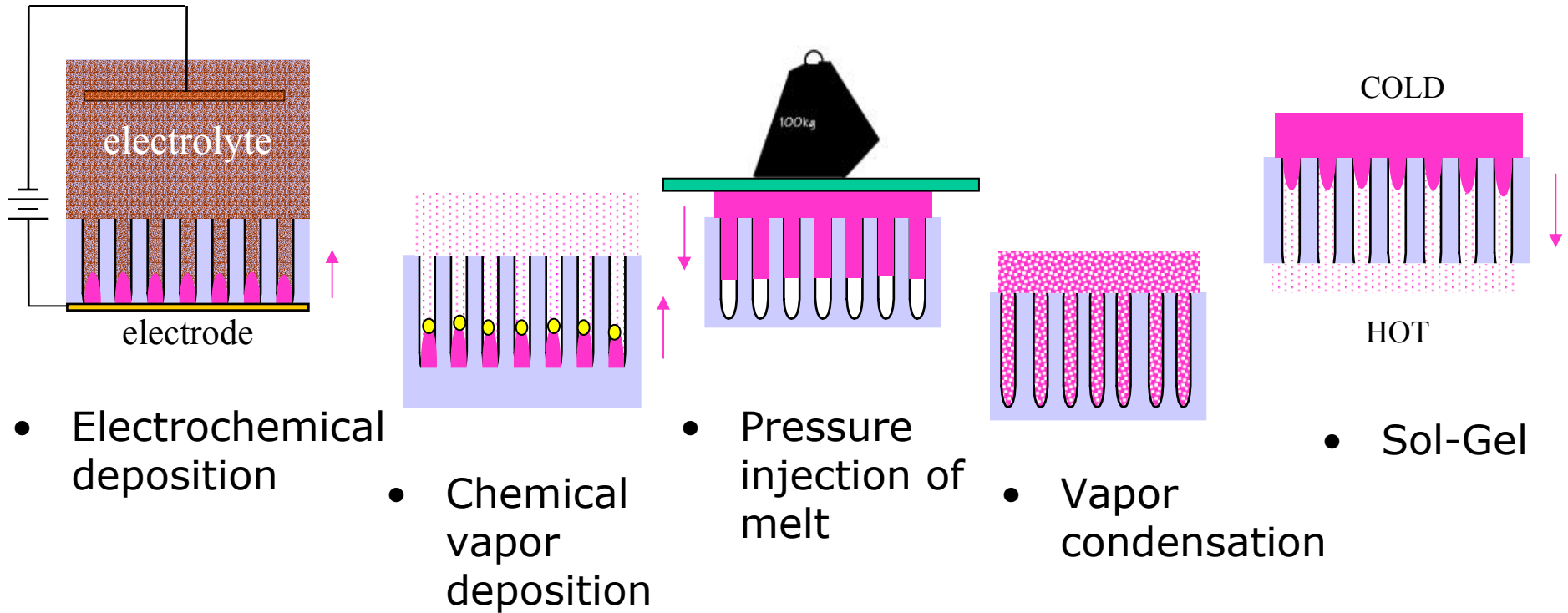
PMMA
<30%



PMMA
50%

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Filling methods



- Electrochemical deposition

- Chemical vapor deposition

- Pressure injection of melt

- Vapor condensation

- Sol-Gel

Vertical growth with controlled density

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- Aligned growth through PECVD
- Control nanotube density through controlling catalyst site density

Aligned Carbon Nanotube Growth

Catalytic CVD process: thermal or PE CVD

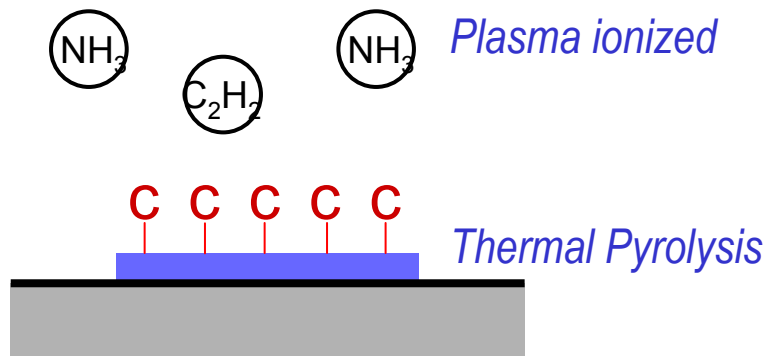
Carbon Source Gas

C_2H_2 : relatively low temp.
 CH_4 : high temp.

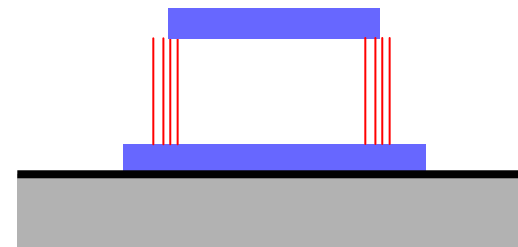
Dilution Gas

NH_3 , N_2 , H_2

Thermal Decomposition
on Catalysts (Co, Ni, Fe)
finite solubility with carbon

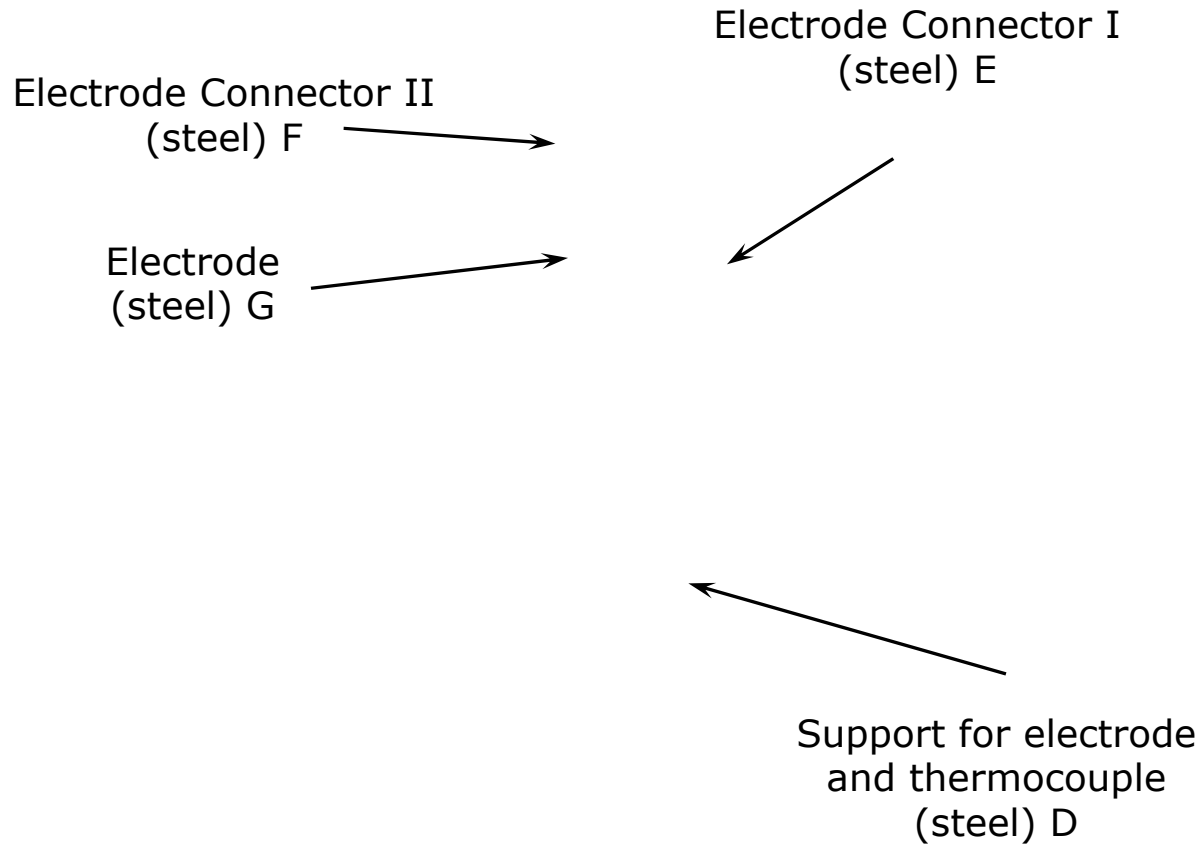


Carbon Nanotube growth



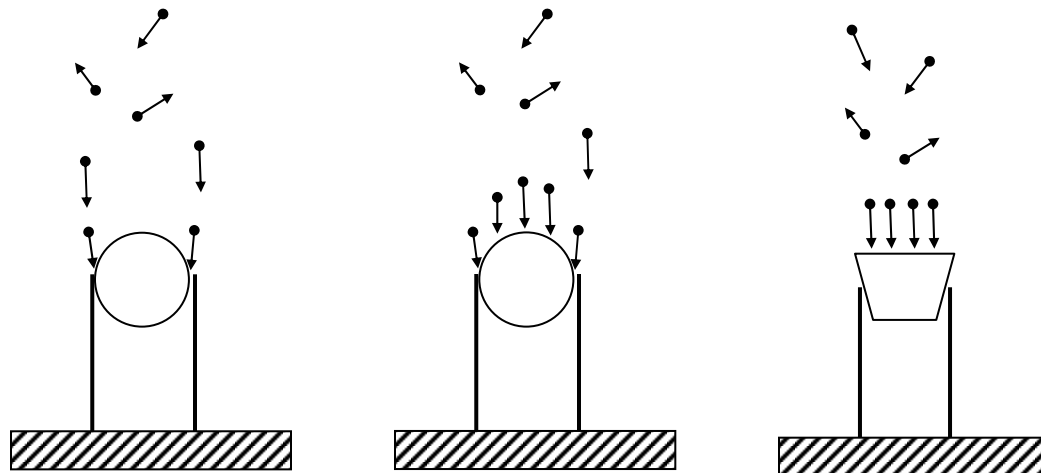
Z. Ren, BC

MIT CNT PECVD



Vertically grown CNTs

- Growth modes



- PECVD parameters
 - ✓ Diameter
 - ✓ Length

The Debye Length

- At some distance from the perturbing charge the **electric potential energy** will be equal to the **thermal** (kinetic) **energy**
- The quantity

$$\lambda_{De} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0 k_B T}{n q_e^2}}$$

is called the (electron) **Debye length** of the plasma

- The Debye length is a measure of the **effective shielding length** beyond which the electron motions are shielding charge density fluctuations in the plasma

Carbon-nano tube Growth using Methane

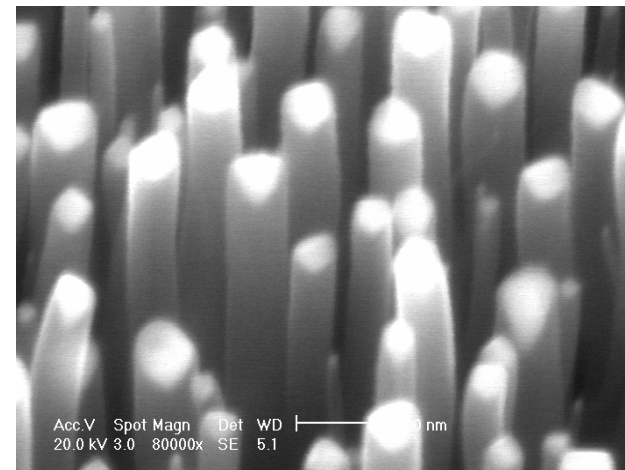
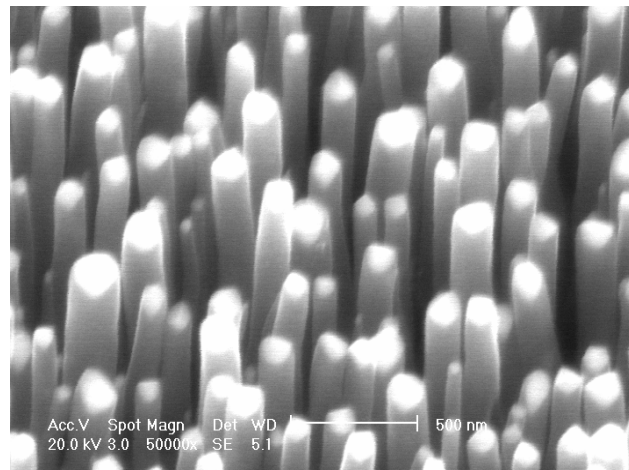
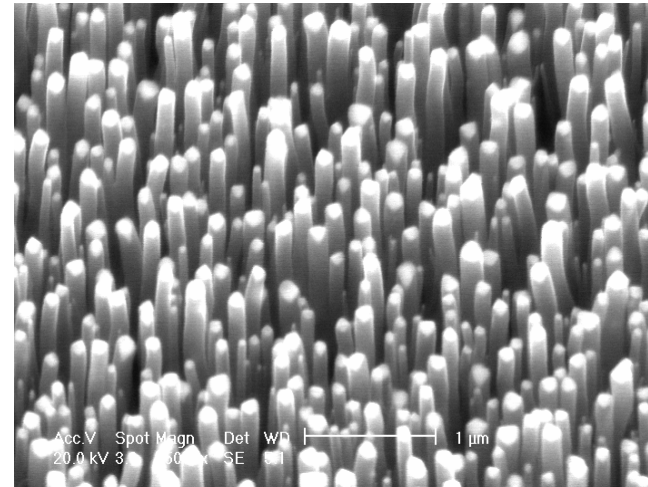
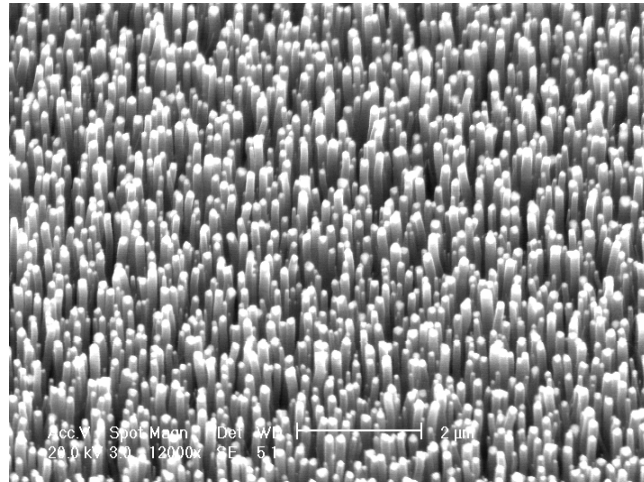
Growth Conditions:

- Growth Time: 25 minutes
- Methane flow rate: 200sccm; Ammonia flow rate: 100sccm
- Pressure: 8 Torr
- Temperature: 600 C
- Plasma Voltage: 500V; Power: 165-215 Watts

Results:

- Length of tubes: 1-1.5 micro meters
- Diameter of tubes: 100-150 nm
- Perpendicularity: Vertical (Straight)

CNTs with methane PECVD



SWCN directly grown on silicon tip

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- Wide usage:
 - high resolution imaging
 - chemical biological sensor
- Fabrication:
 - manual assembly(mounting)
 - CVD growth

Kazuhiko et al. APL, 78, 539, 2001

Nanotube AFM tip

Y. Nakayama *et al*, *J. Vac. Sci. Tech.*, **B18** (2000) 661.

- Merits of NT AFM tip
 - High aspect ratio
 - Small diameter
 - Flexible
 - Conductive

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Challenges for Carbon Nanotube Research

- Process control to produce nanotubes with same diameter and chirality
 - metallic or semiconducting
- Develop large-scale, high productivity synthesis methods
- Develop large-scale, long range order assembly processes

Nanowire Array (Charles Lieber)

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Source: Prof. Charles Lieber, Harvard University.

How to make horizontal wiring networks?

Directed Assembly

- One-dimensional assembly into functional networks
 - Lieber group, Science (291, 2001)

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Aligned NT

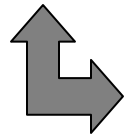
- Large arrays of well-aligned Carbon on glass
 - Ren, *Science* (282, 1999), SUNY

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Nanotubes for manufacturing

- Growing and controlling nanotube is a coupled process.
- Decoupling them as we do sodding?

Seeding



Sodding

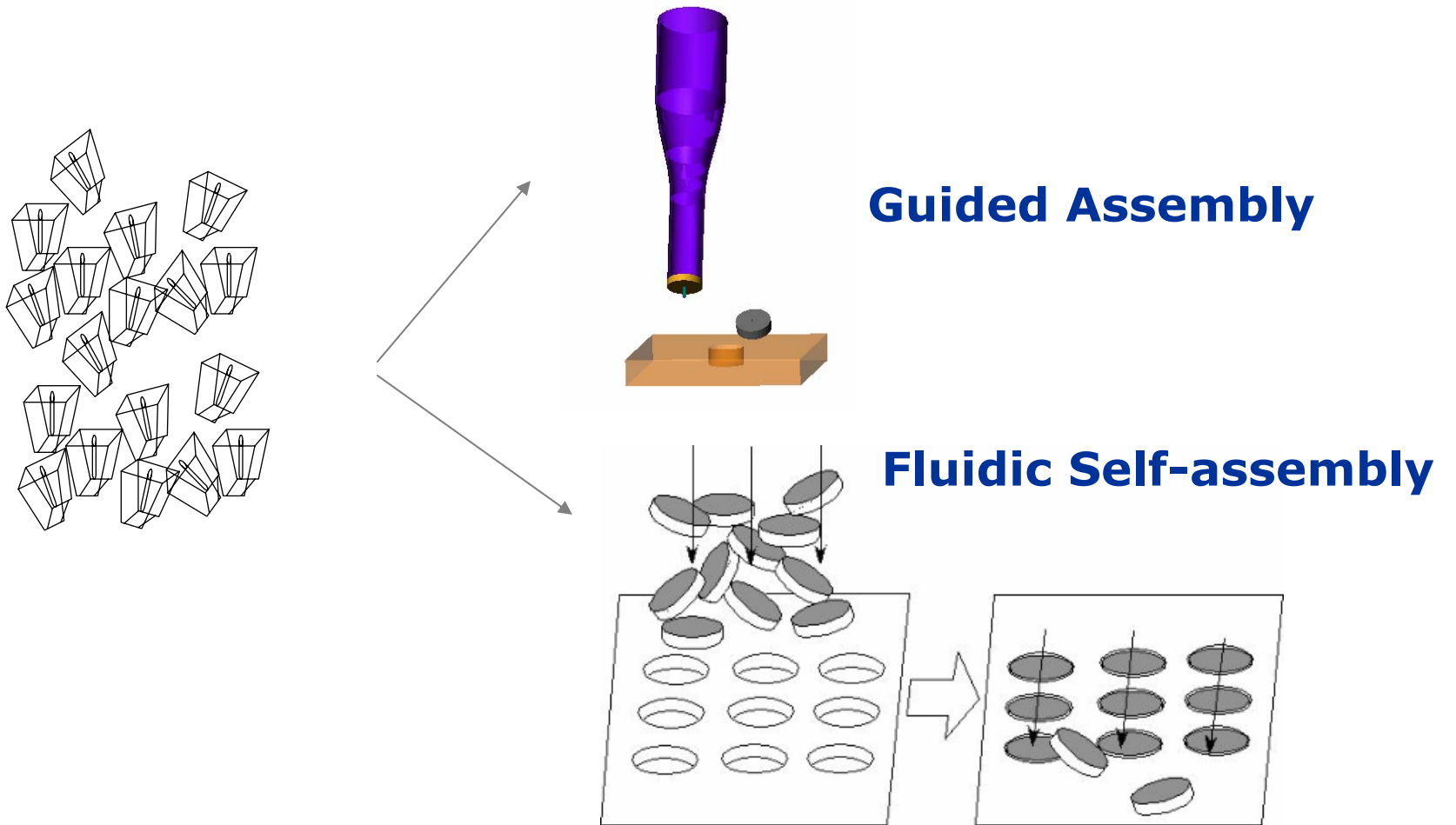
Carbon Nanotube Assembly

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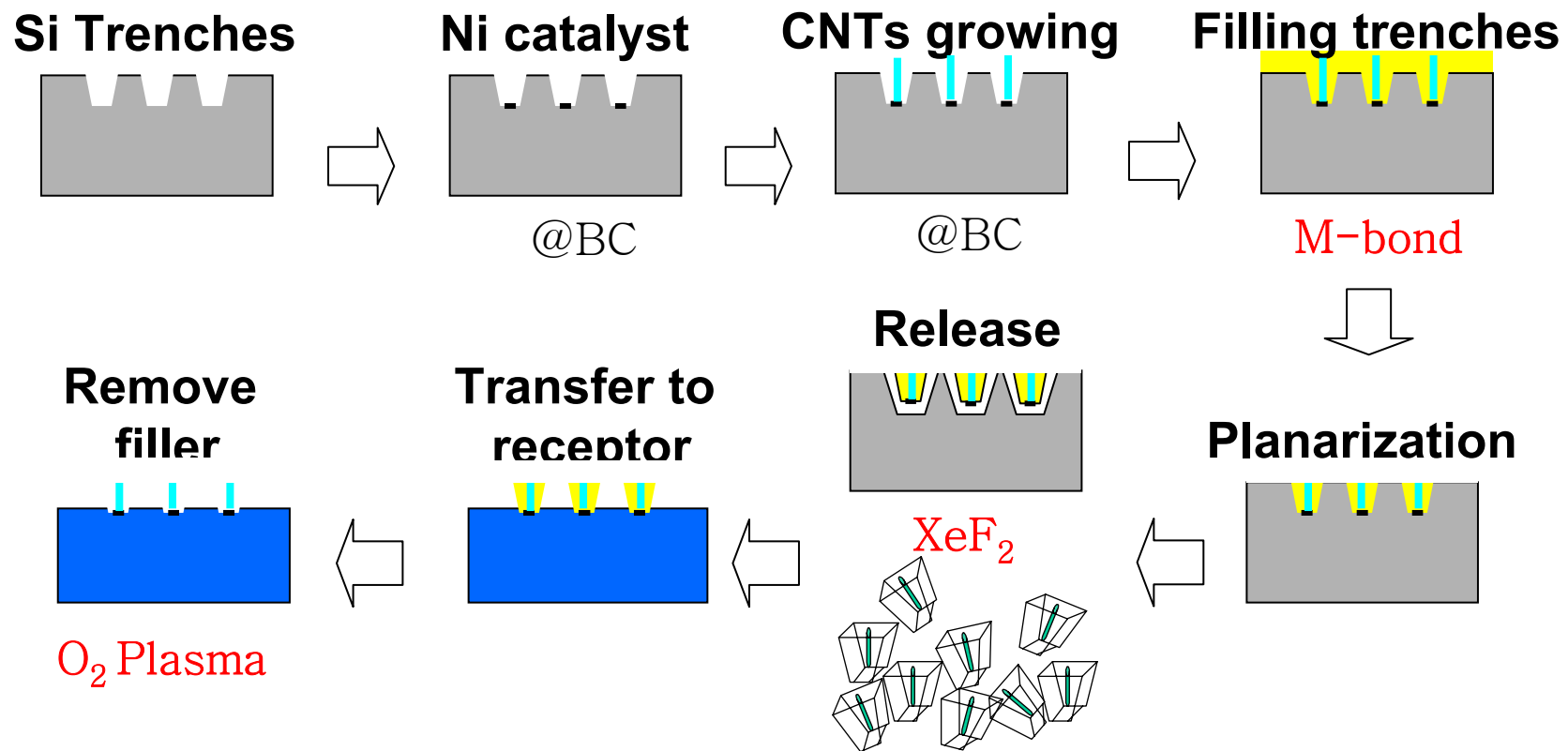
Vertically grown MWNTs
Ren, *J. Mater. Res.* 16 (2001)

Nanostructures by growing only?

Nanopellets

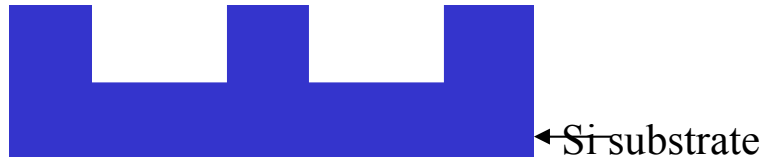


Nanopelleting

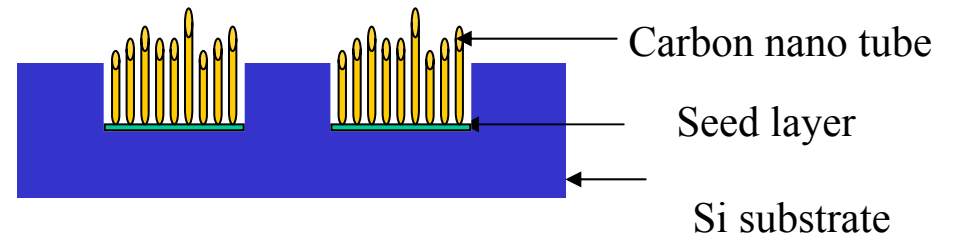


S. Kim, US patent application No 60/417,959

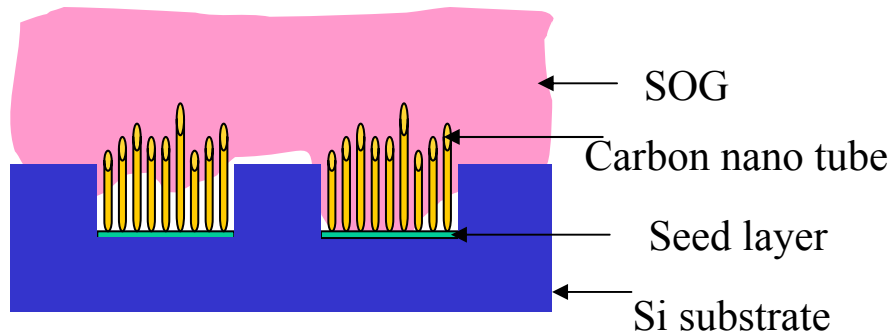
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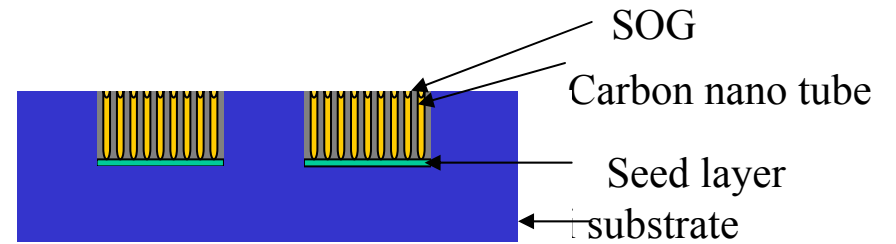
2) Deposition seed layer
Carbon nano tube growing



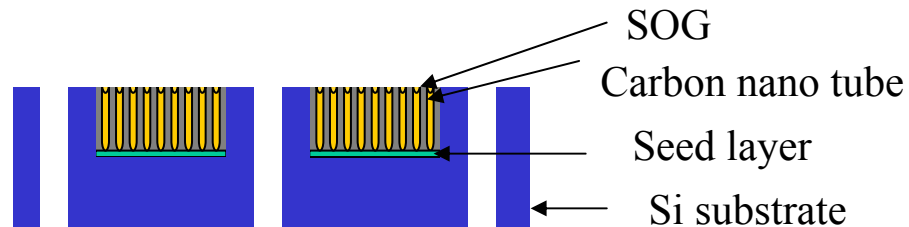
3) SOG deposition/Dry/Cure



4) CMP

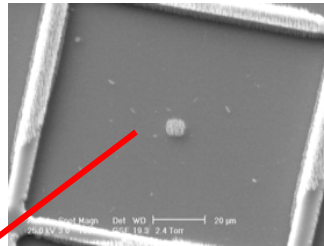


5) Pelletizing

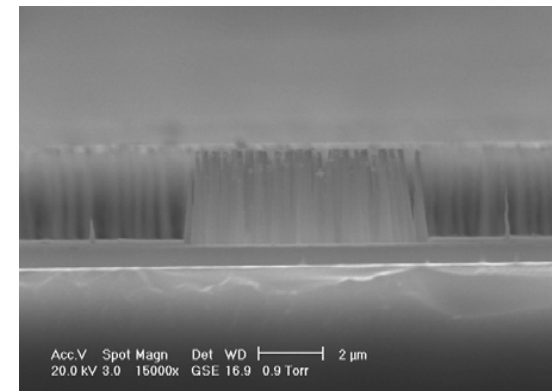
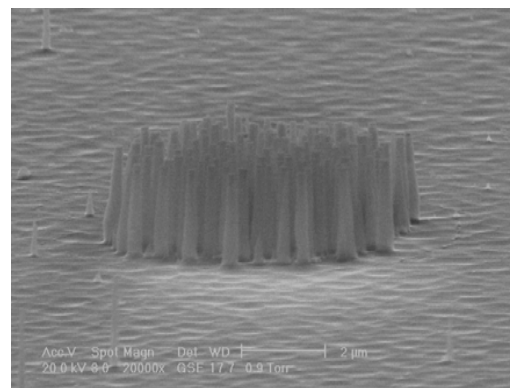
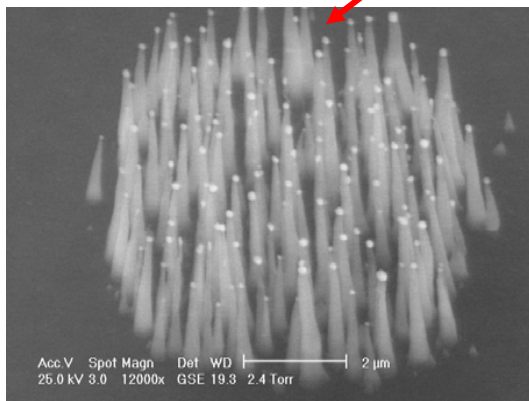


Bundle CNT nanopellet CMPed and Transplanted

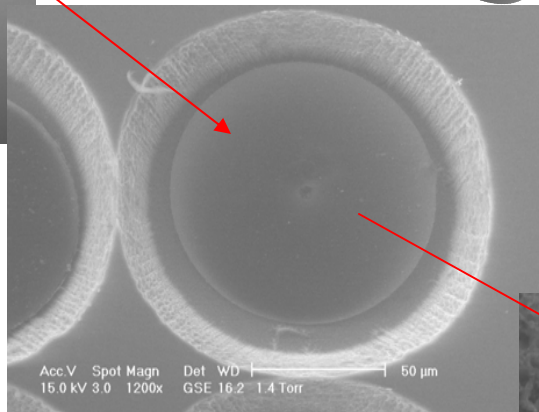
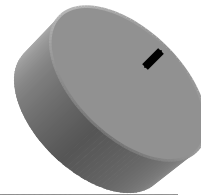
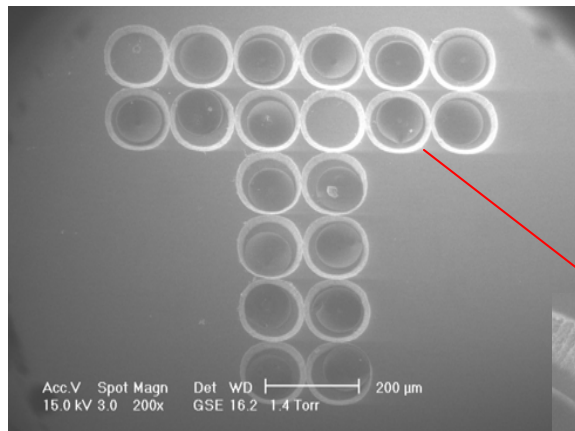
Ni(MTL,15nm)/SiO₂/Si



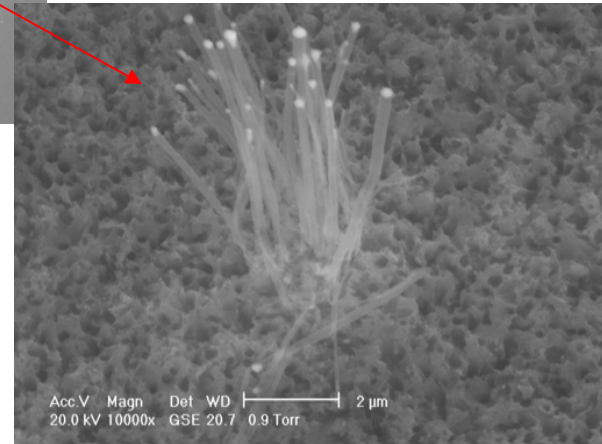
After CMP and then O₂ ashing



Pelletizing & Transplanting

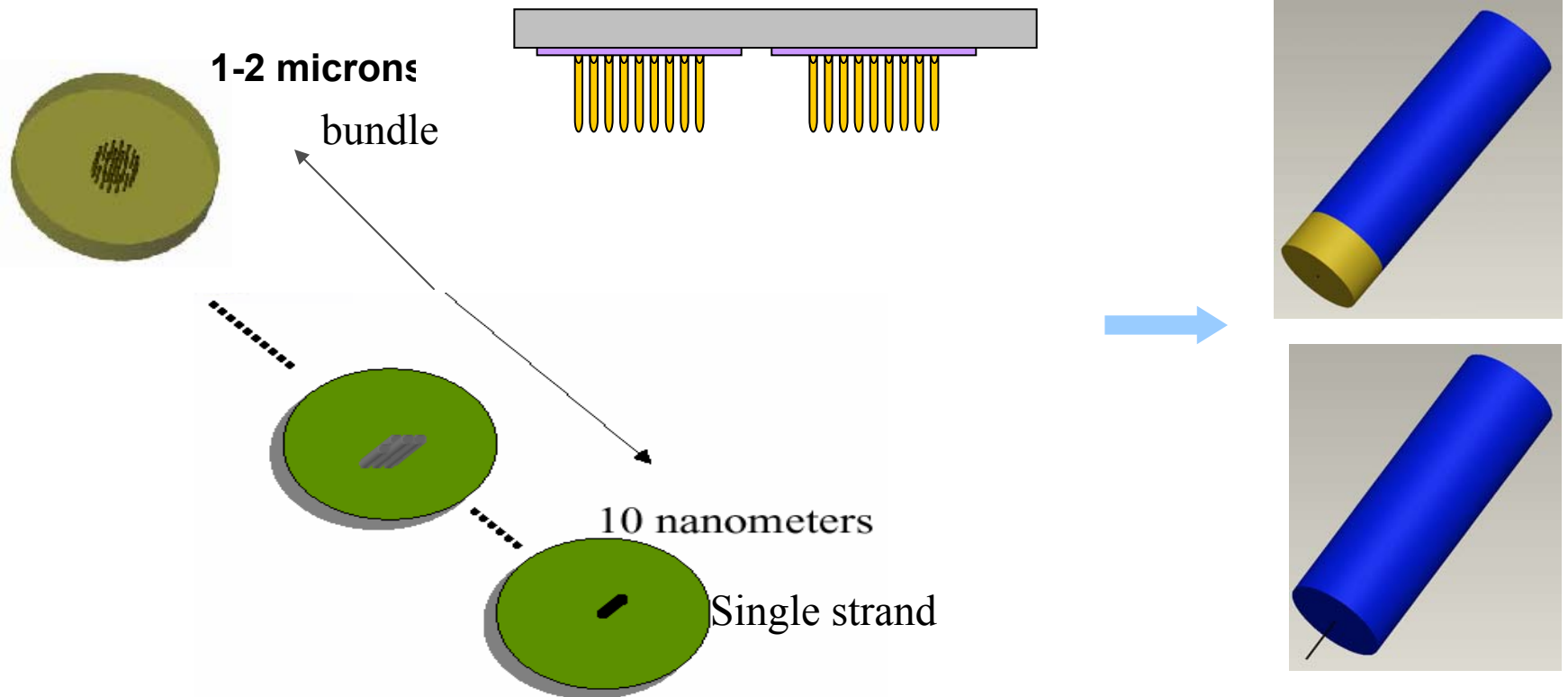


After XeF_2 etching

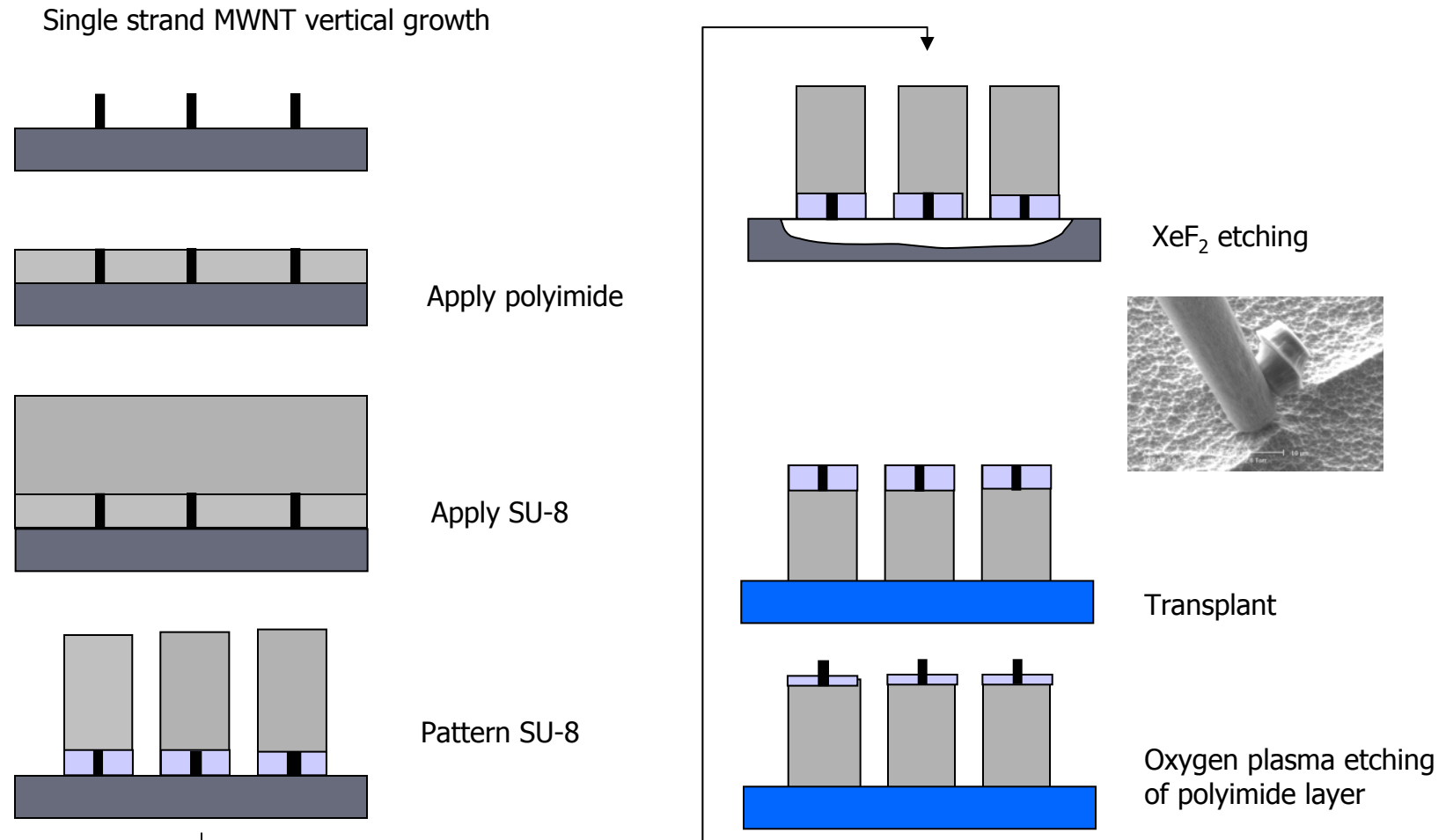


High aspect ratio nanopellets

Cold cathode array,
FED, Data storage,
Multi-E-beam array for NGL

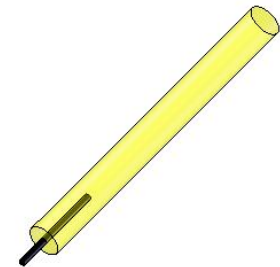
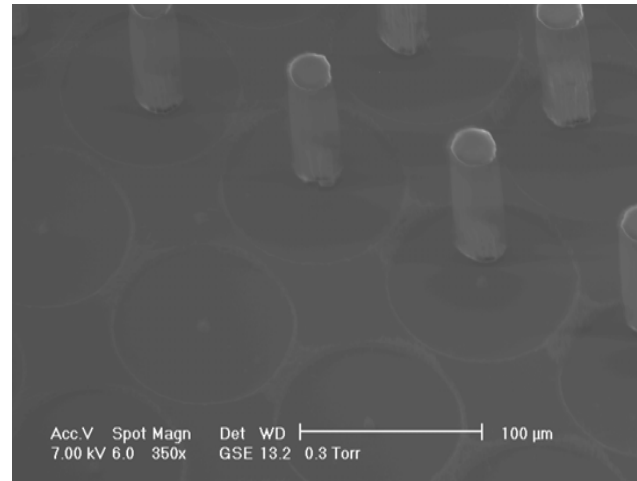
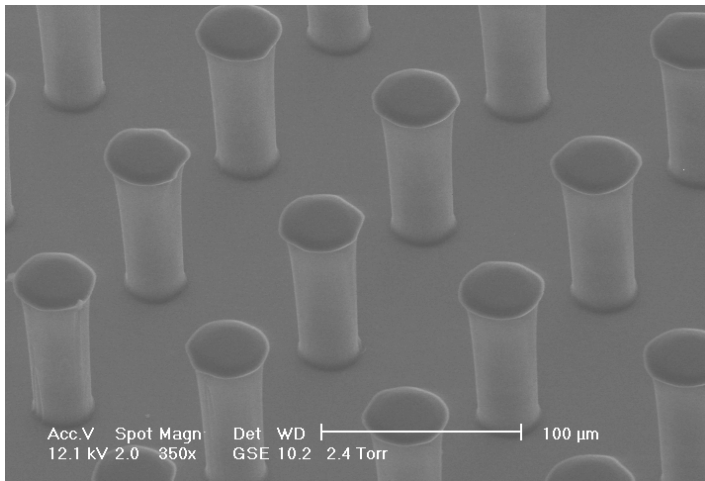


New Nanopelleting process



Processing Result

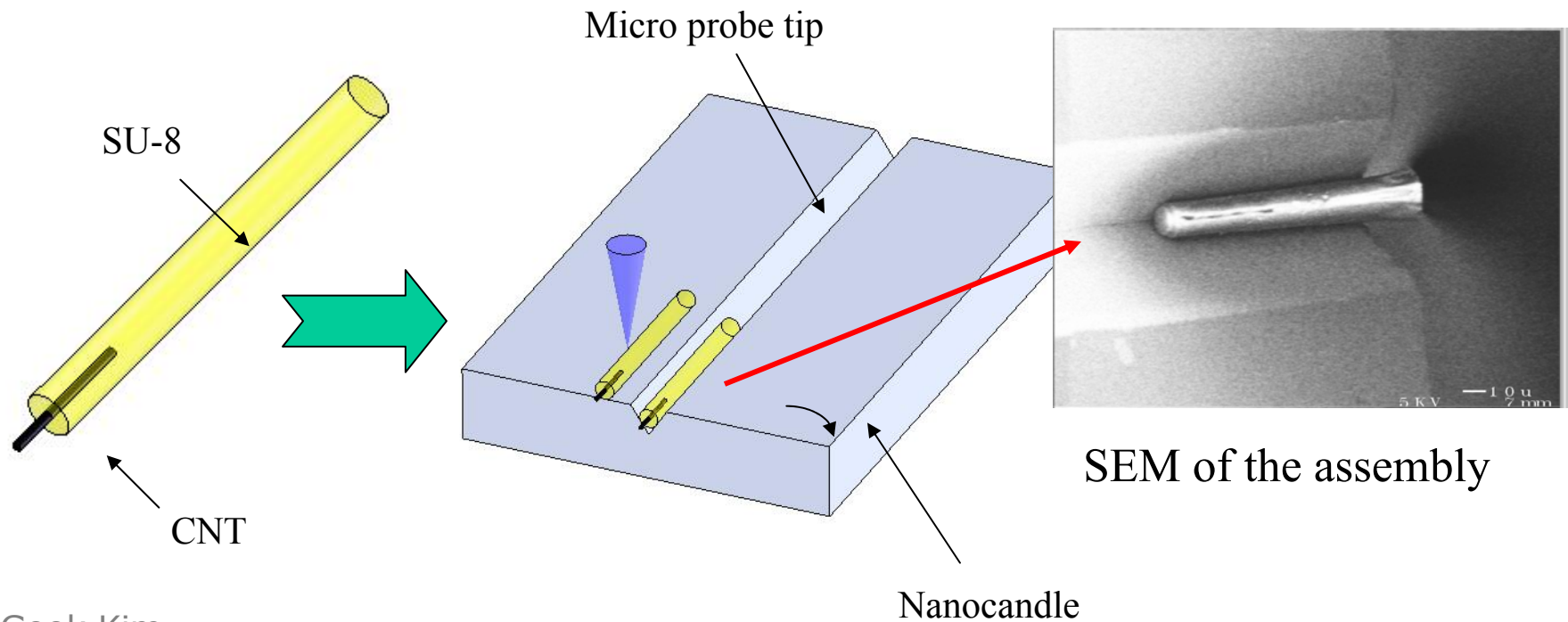
- High-aspect-ratio nanocandles with 20 μm in diameter and 110 μm in height achieved
- Single strand CNTs under progress



Material: SU-8 2075

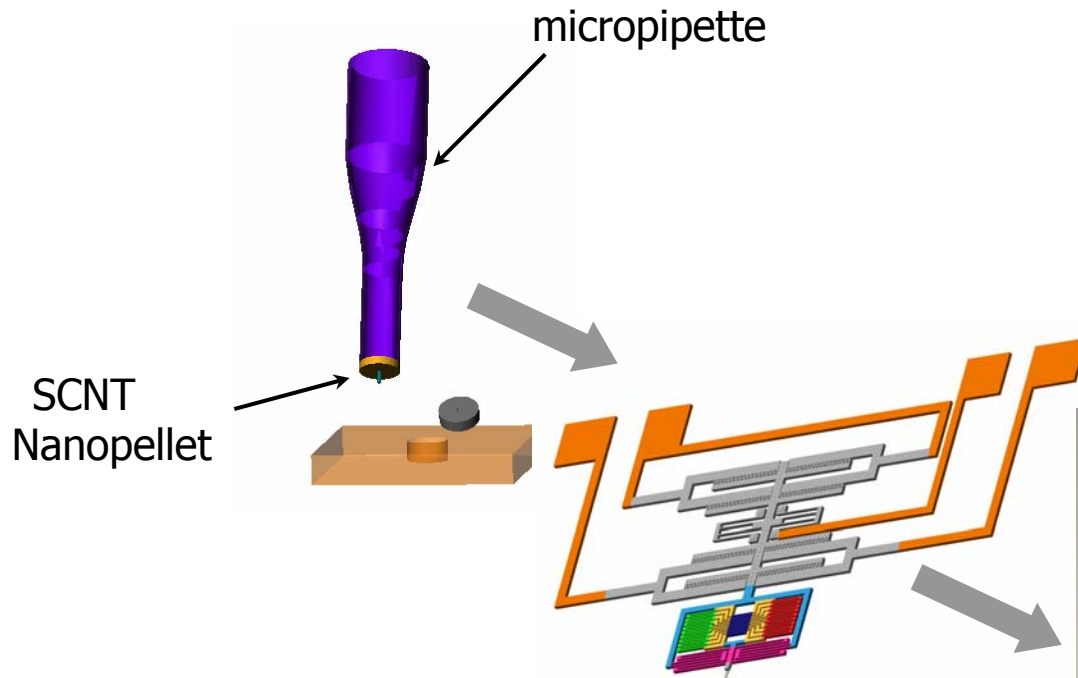
In-Plane Assembly of High-Aspect Ratio Nanocandle

- Mechanical in-plane assembly of nanocandle in the V-groove with a micro probe tip
- Bonding of nanocandle in the V-groove with a drop of epoxy



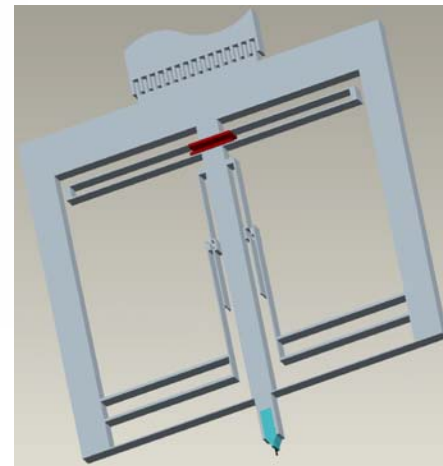
MIT Nanopipette

- Nanotube assembly to the tip of a micropipette



- Nanotube assembly to the tip of an in-plane AFM

- Parallel Imaging and Pipetting
- Multi-energy probing
- Manufacturable
- Arrayable



Potential applications

- Massive Parallel Nanoprobe Array
- Nanojet Printing
- Nanotip Cell Manipulation
- 3D CNT structures