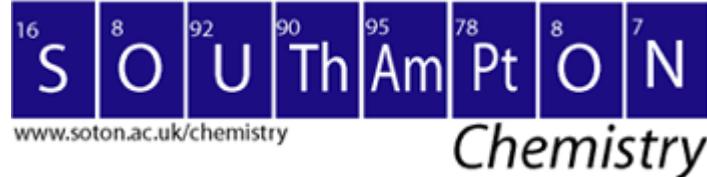


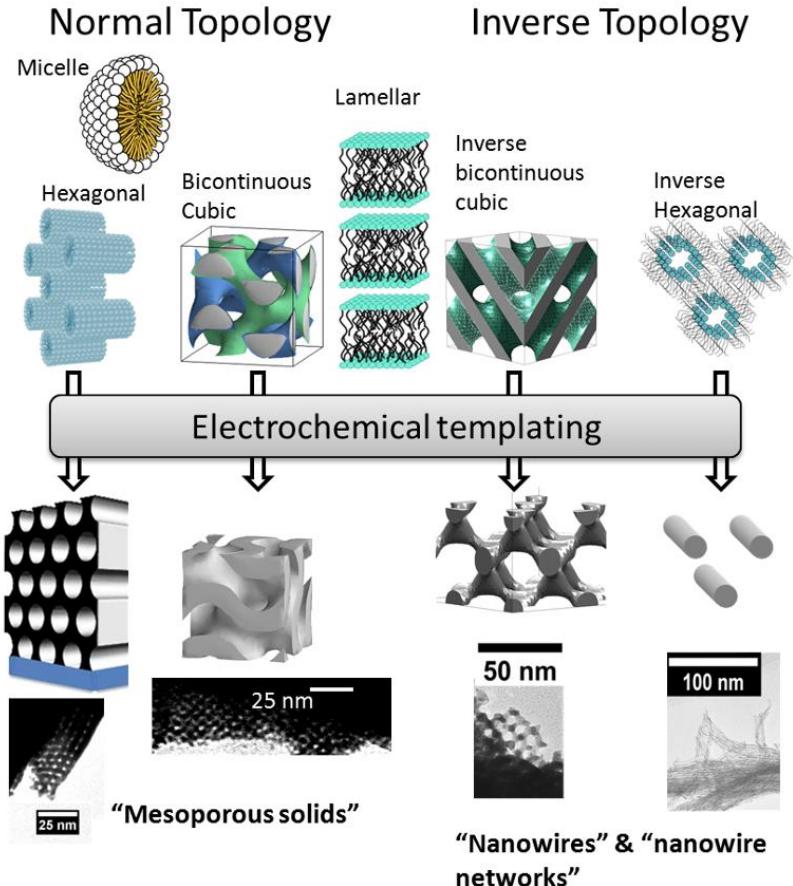
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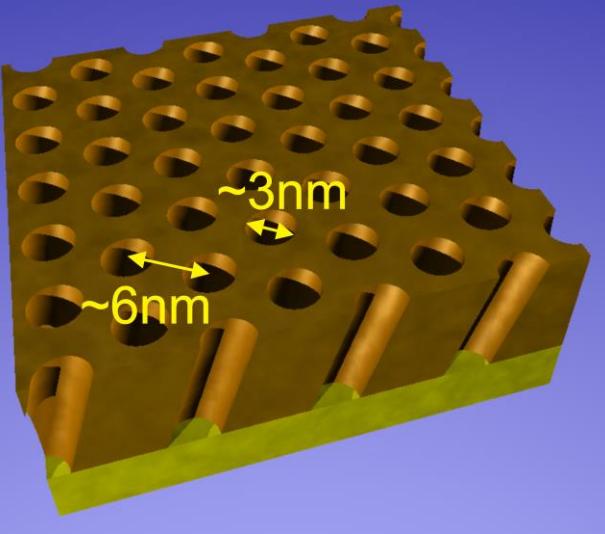
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# Soft-templating of 3D metamaterials





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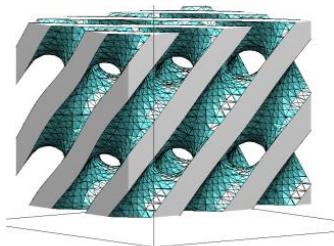
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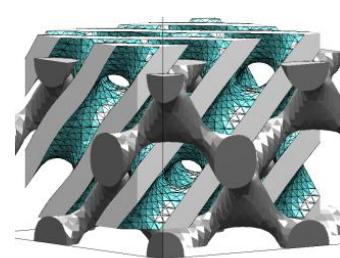
- Unique 3D nanostructuring
- High quality birefringent semiconductors
- Engineered metamaterials: e.g. CdTe, PbTe, Te...
- 40 % of all the atoms are at or near a surface:
  - Enhanced electronic + optical properties for e.g. solar cells, ultra-fast photodiodes, non-linear optical elements
  - Exploration of quantum-size effect

# 3D Nanostructured Thermoelectric Metamaterials

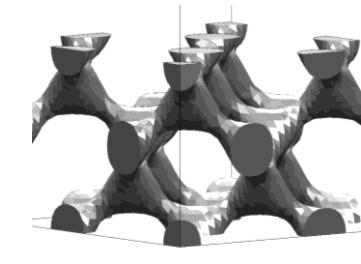
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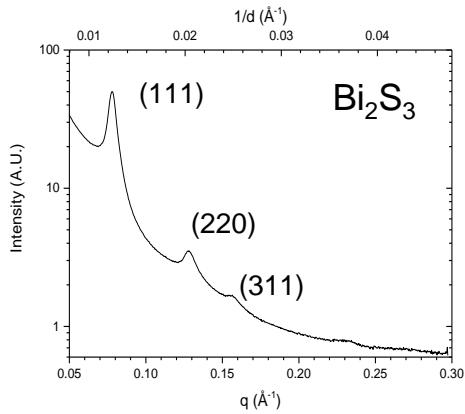


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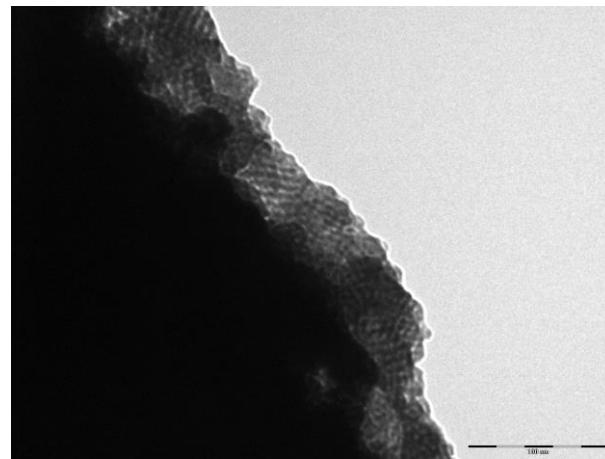


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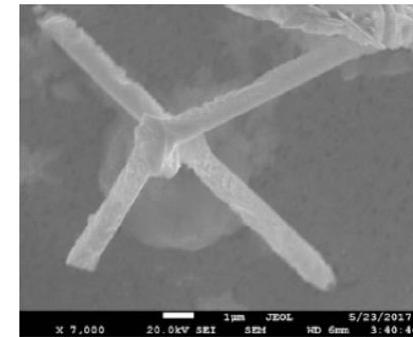
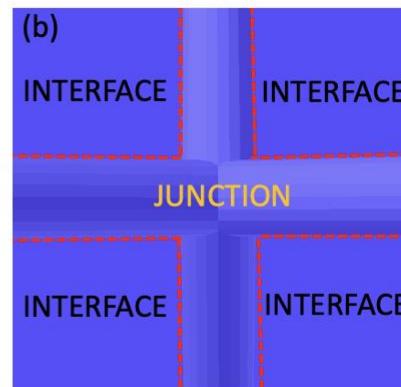
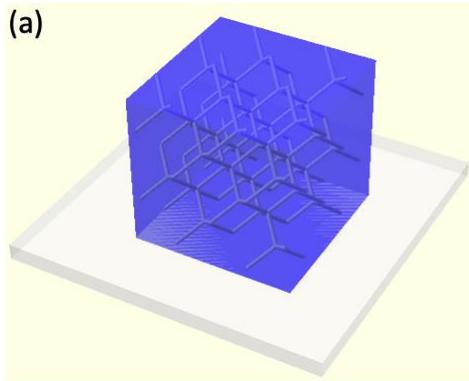


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# 3D Thermal metamaterials

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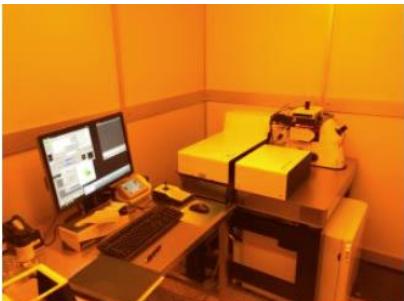
# 3D Nanoscale Metamaterials: Cardiff University

Principle Investigator



Dr Sam Ladak

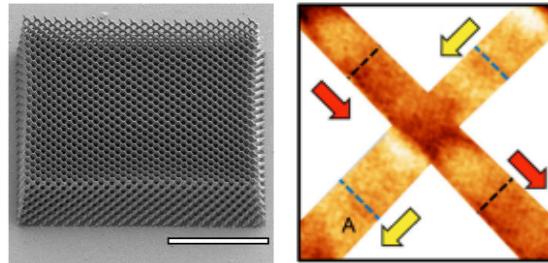
Key Instrumentation



Modified Nanoscribe system:  
Sub-100nm feature size  
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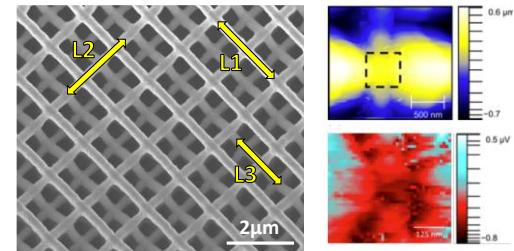
Expertise and interests

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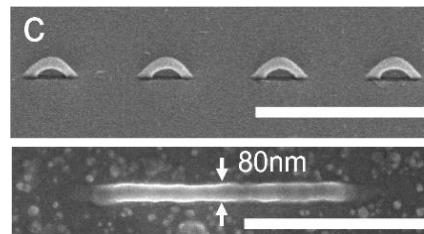
3D Magnetic Metamaterials:  
Static and magnonic properties

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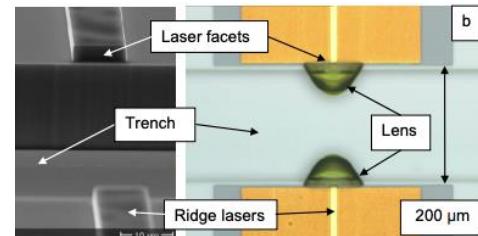
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thermal conductivity

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# Developing Rapid Mesoscale Thermoelectric Property Measurement System

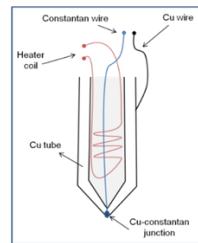
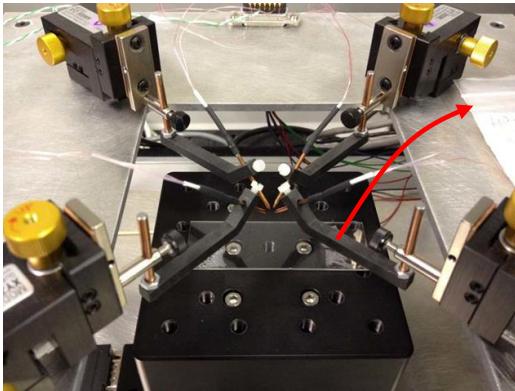
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## Established Systems @ millimetre scale

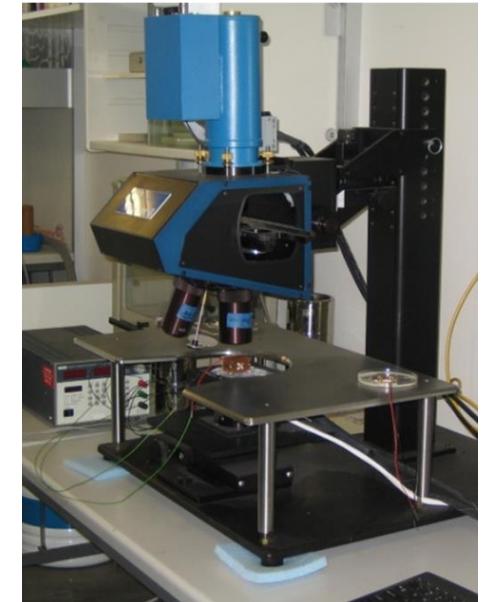
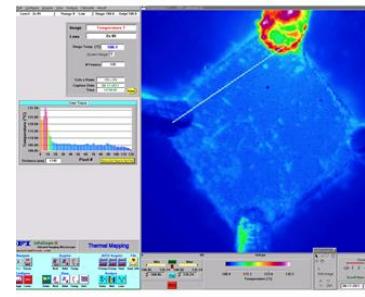
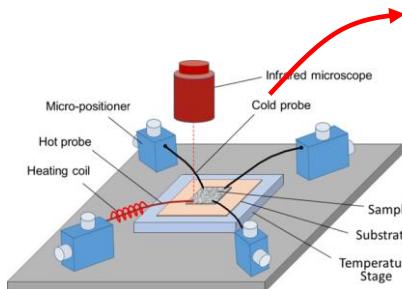
$$\text{Seebeck coefficient: } \alpha_s = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta T} + \alpha_b \quad \pm 2\%$$

$$\text{Electrical resistivity: } \rho = \left( \frac{\pi R_{av}}{\ln 2} \right) \times d \quad \pm 3\%$$

$$\text{Thermal conductivity: } \text{Graph showing Conductivity vs Time (ns)}$$



## New System on Infrascope @ mesoscale



"Multifunctional probes for high-throughput measurement of Seebeck coefficient and electrical conductivity", *Rev. Sci. Instrum.*, (2014), 85, 043906

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