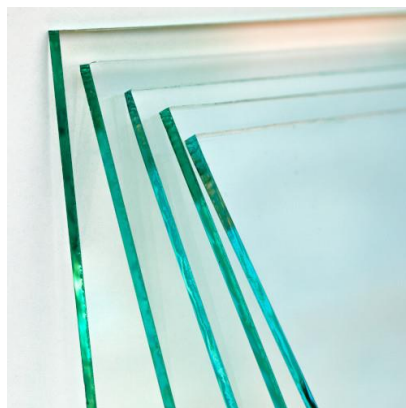
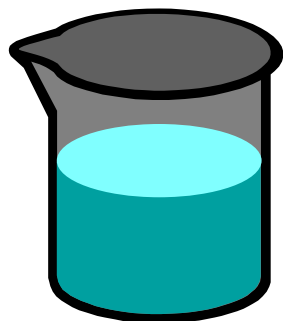


## MÉTHODES CHIMIQUE DE FONCTIONNALISATION DES SURFACES DE VERRES PLATS



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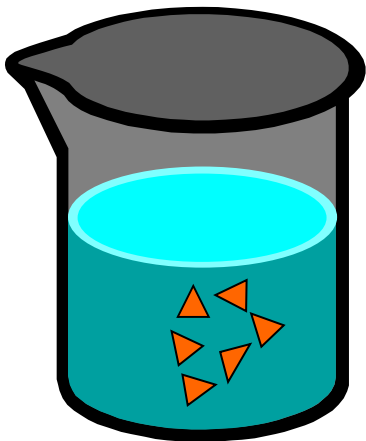
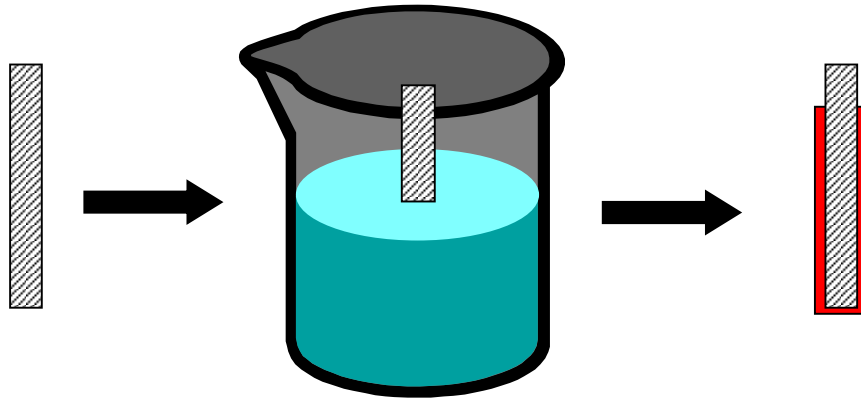
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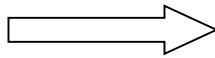
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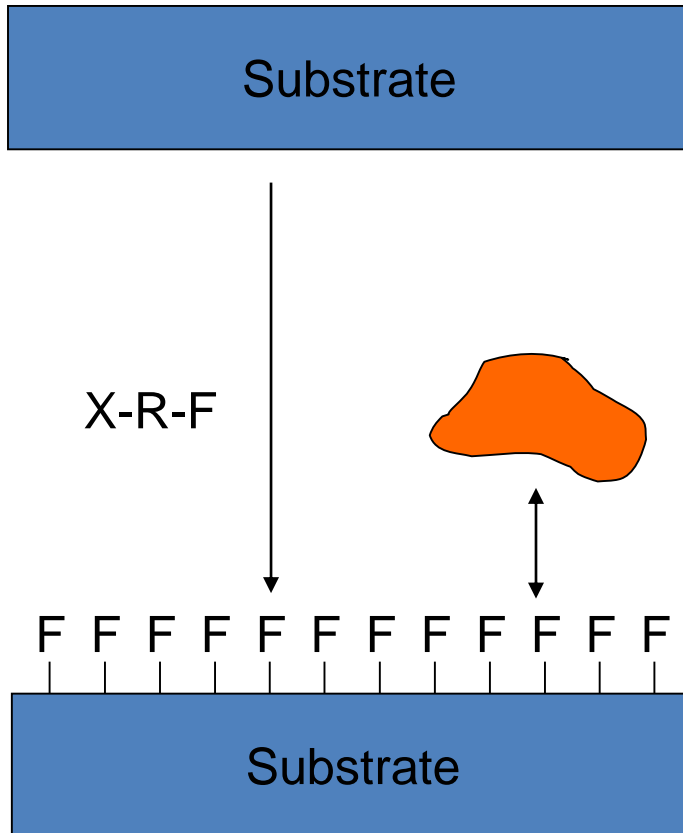


Surface modification through chemical reaction



Layer deposition



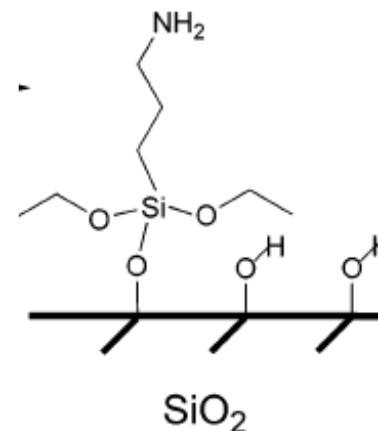
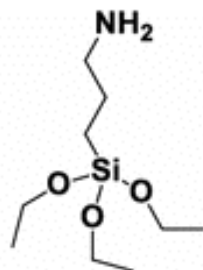


- hydrophylic / Hydrophobic
- Demolding agent
- Adhesion promoters
- Coupling agents to biological species
- catalysis

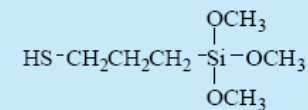
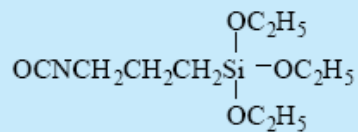
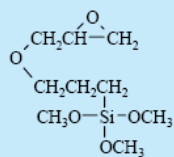
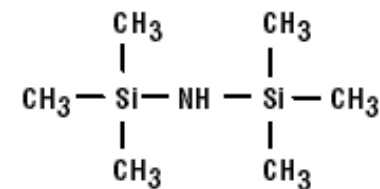
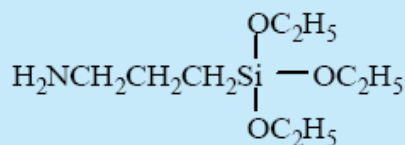
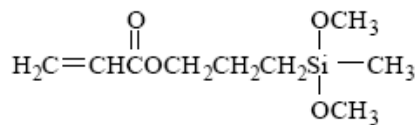
# Functionnal organosilanes



Silanization

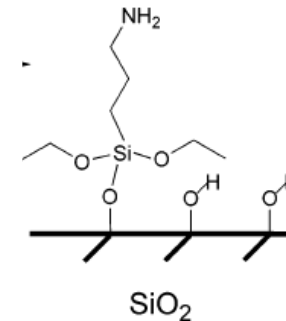
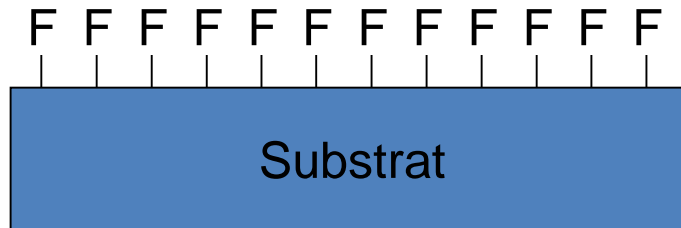


Large variety of functionnal silanes :



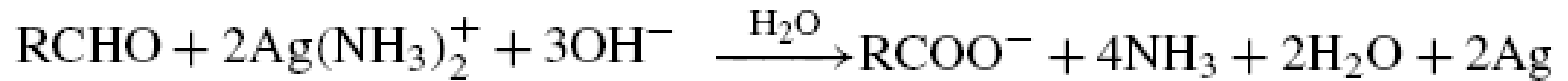
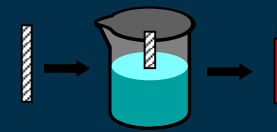


# Some important issues



- The structure of the layer is not as ideal as in the scheme above...
- Stability issues toward ageing : UV / Water / mechanical abrasion / dust deposition
- Stability toward glass surface evolution – alkaline lixiviation
- Environmental issues regarding perfluorinated precursors

# Electroless deposition – silver mirror

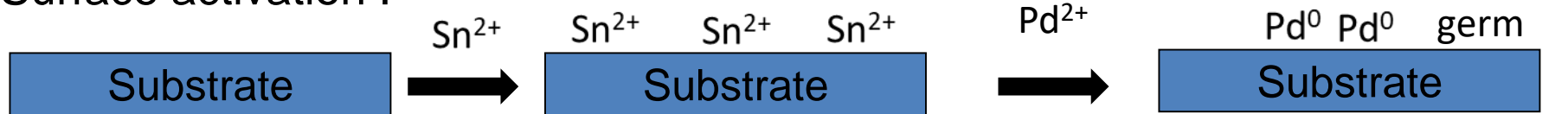


Metastable reactive solution

$\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}^\circ$  single atoms  $E_{\text{ENH}} = -1,8\text{V}$

$\text{Ag}/\text{Ag}^+/\text{Ag}^\circ$   $E_{\text{ENH}} = 0,4\text{V}$

Surface activation :

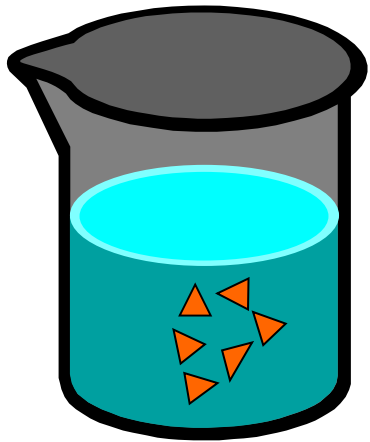


Rem : many other compounds can be electroless deposited : Ni / Au, but also ZnO, CdInGaSe, GaAs...

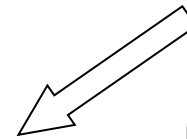
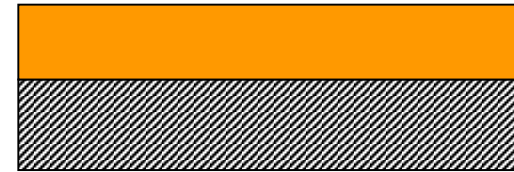
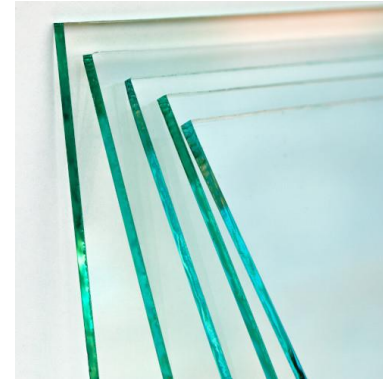
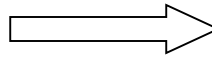
# Wet coating of thin films



Precursors in solution  
partially condensed



coating



Drying / thermal treatment

Thickness 50 nm  $\rightarrow$  few  $\mu\text{m}$

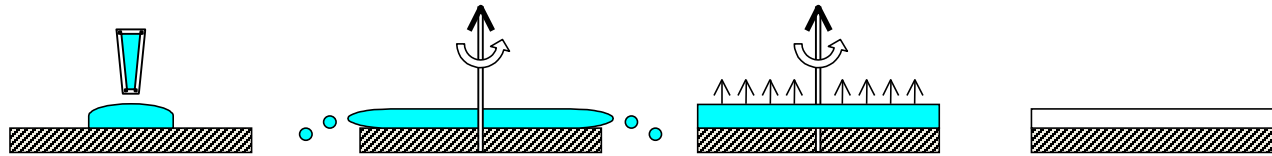




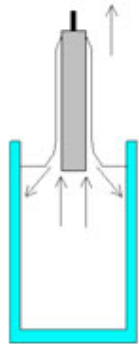
# Deposition techniques



Spin-coating

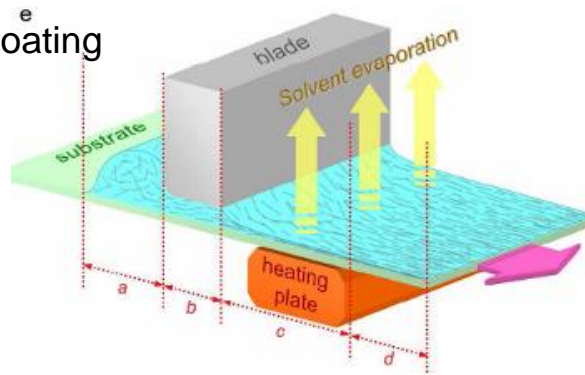


dip coating



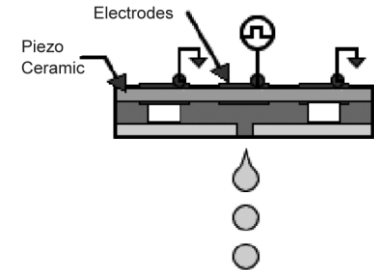
wet layer formation

Blade/pool coating



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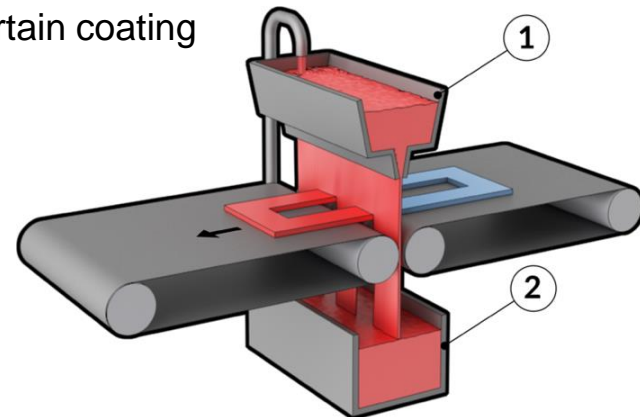
Ink jet



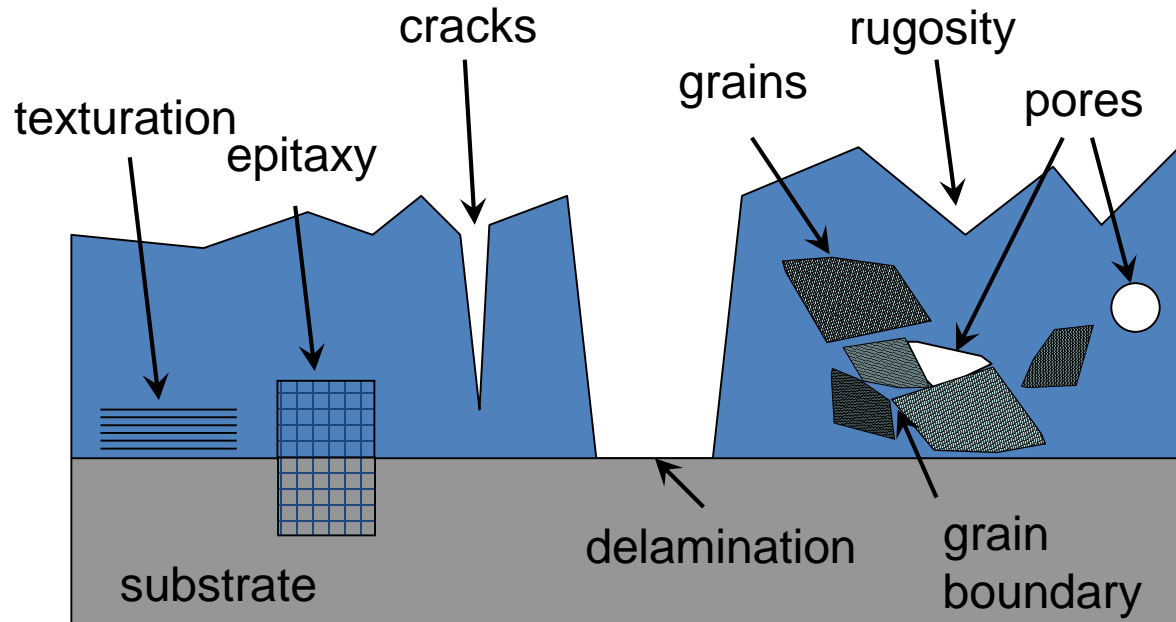
Spray-coating



curtain coating



# Mains issues related to functional coatings

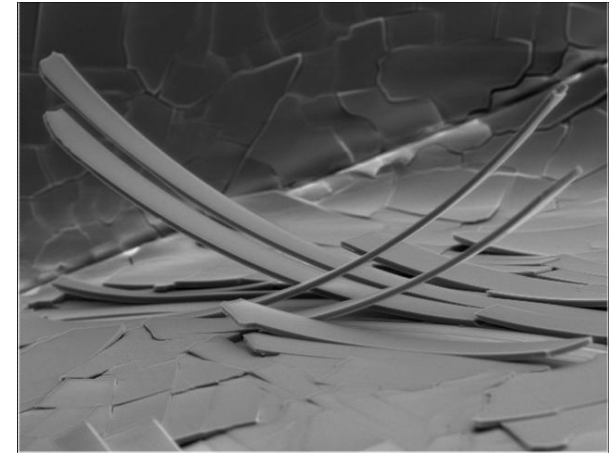
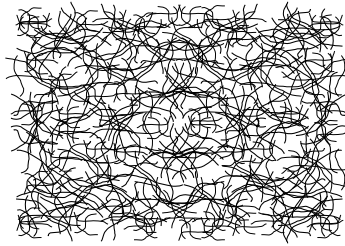
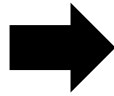
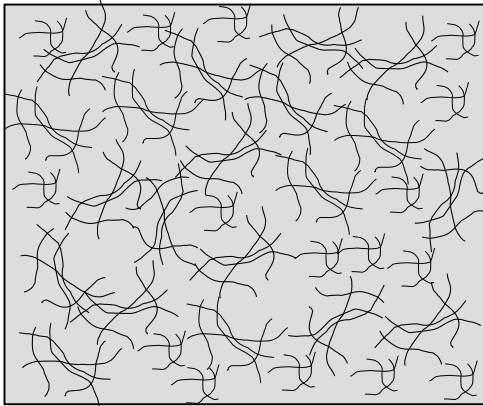


- Thickness, strains, cracks...
- Post-deposition thermal treatments (600°C few min...)
- Hydrolytic properties
- Alcaline diffusion / buffer layer
- Mecanical properties (indentation, Opel, Taber)
- Large scale deposition process

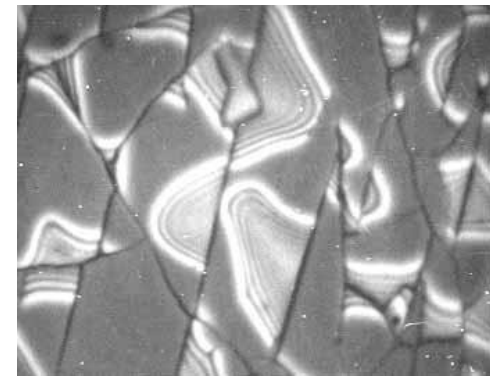
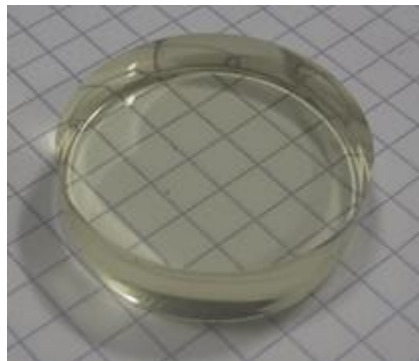
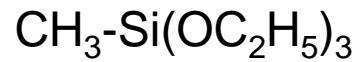
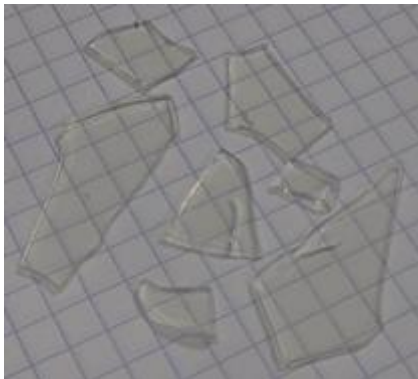
# Crack issues...



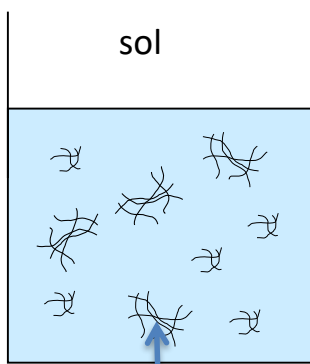
Strains (densification, capillary stresses)



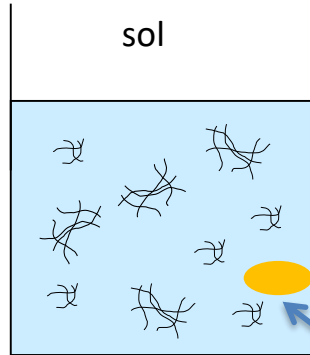
- Critical thickness (few 100 nm – few  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- Hybrid precursors



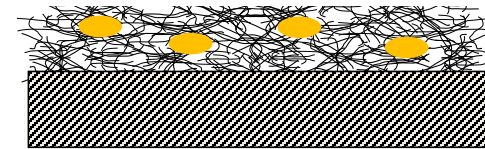
# Composite coatings



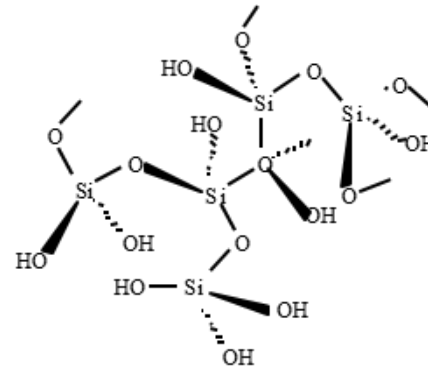
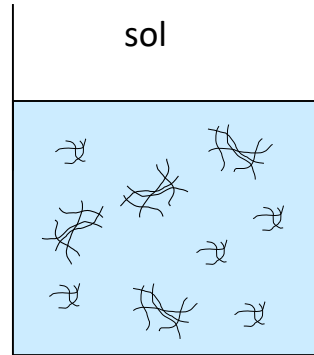
Binder



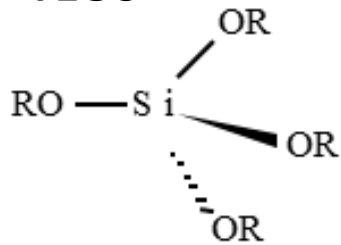
- Functional system
- Molecule
  - Nanoparticles
  - Porogen agents



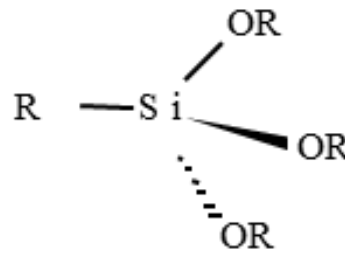
# Silicate Binder chemistry



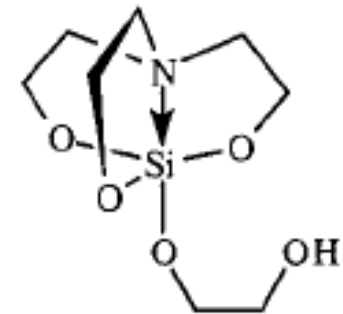
**TEOS**



**Hybrid silanes**



**silatranes**



**Alcaline silicates**



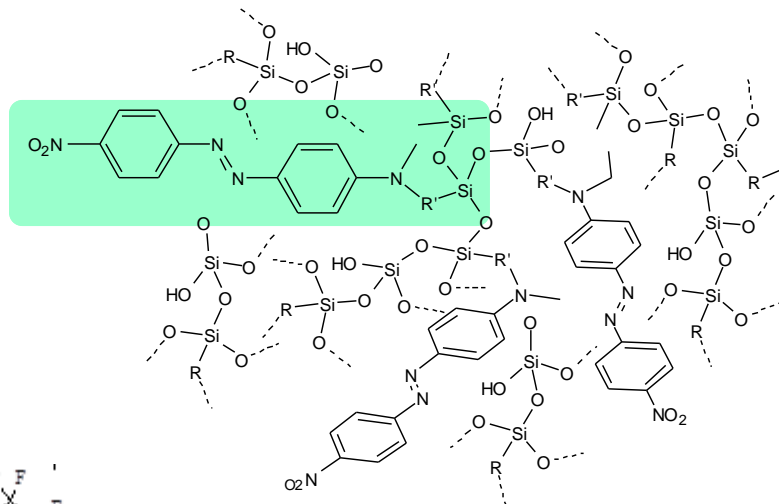
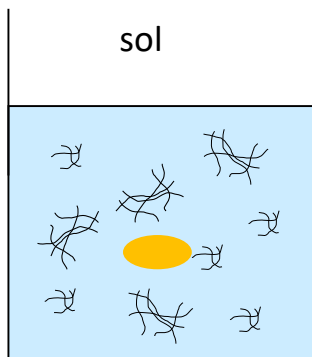
**Sol-gel enamel compositions**

Colloidal silica / alkaline silicate / Ca(Acetate)

# Hybrid organic/inorganic coatings



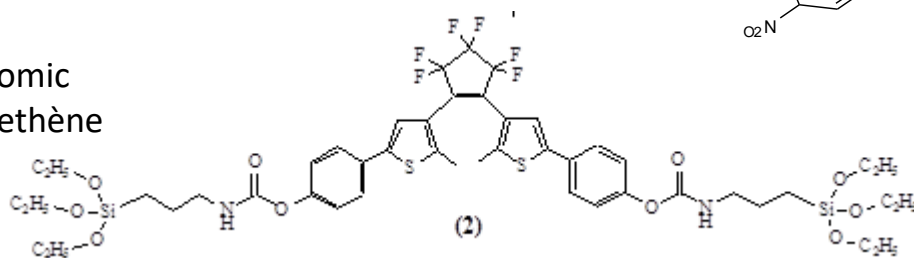
Appropriate dispersion requires grafting on the silicate filler



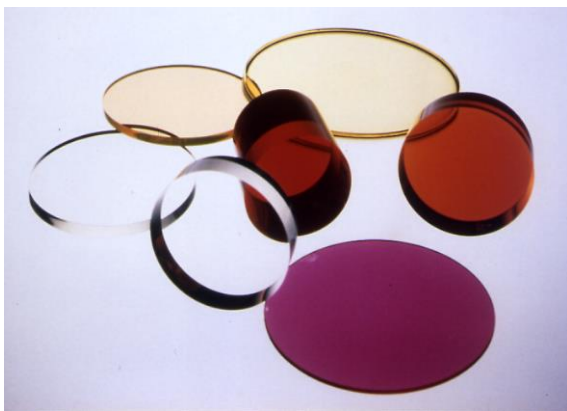
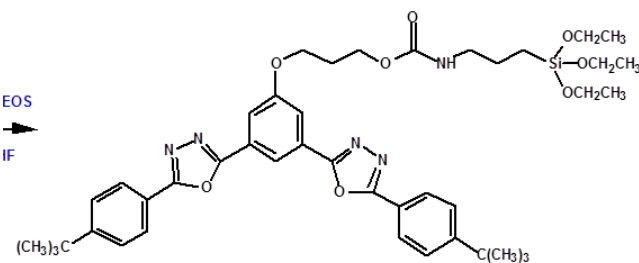
photochromic  
Azobenzene derivatives

e/h transporter for OLEDs

photochromic  
dithienylethène



EOS  
IF



r = 69 %

# Composite coatings with nanocrystals



Nanocrystals exhibit remarkable properties modulated by size / shape / surface...

Absorbance / luminescence / (photo)catalysis / transport ...



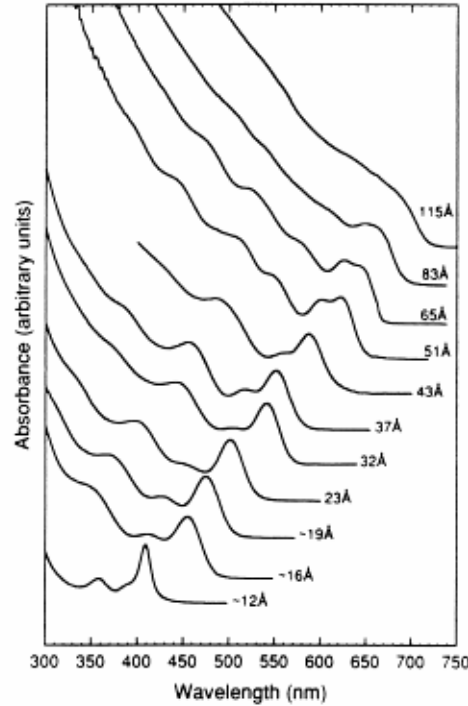
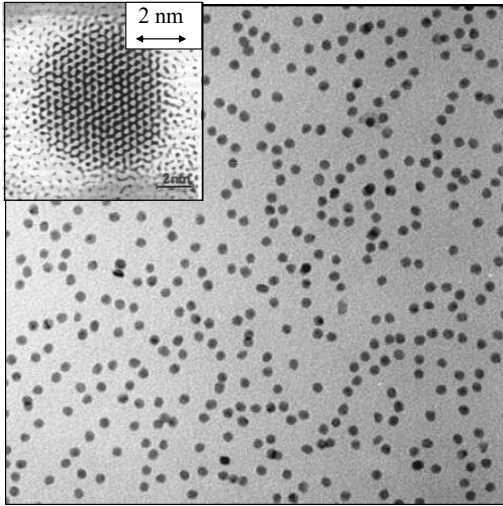
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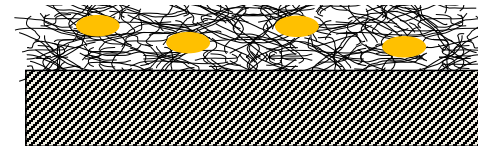
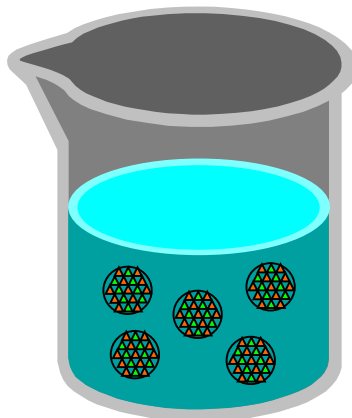
# Composite coatings with nanocrystals



Remarkable ability to control nanocrystals size/shape/dispersion



Mounji Bawendi  
C. Murray / D. Norris



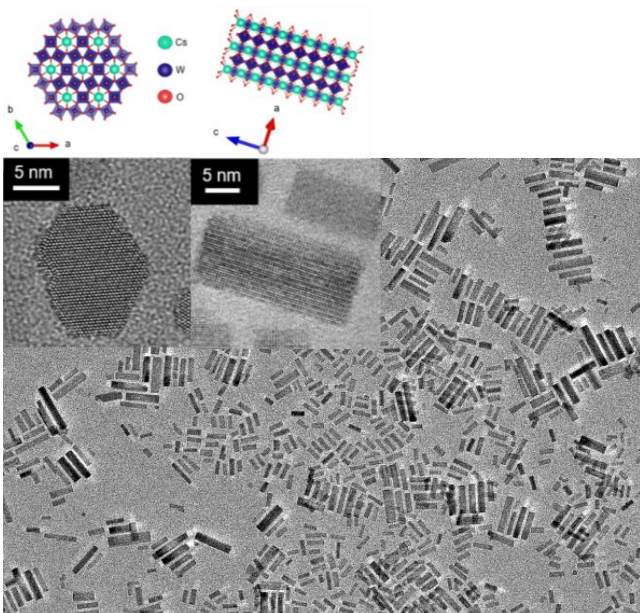
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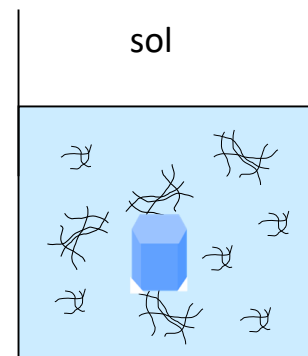
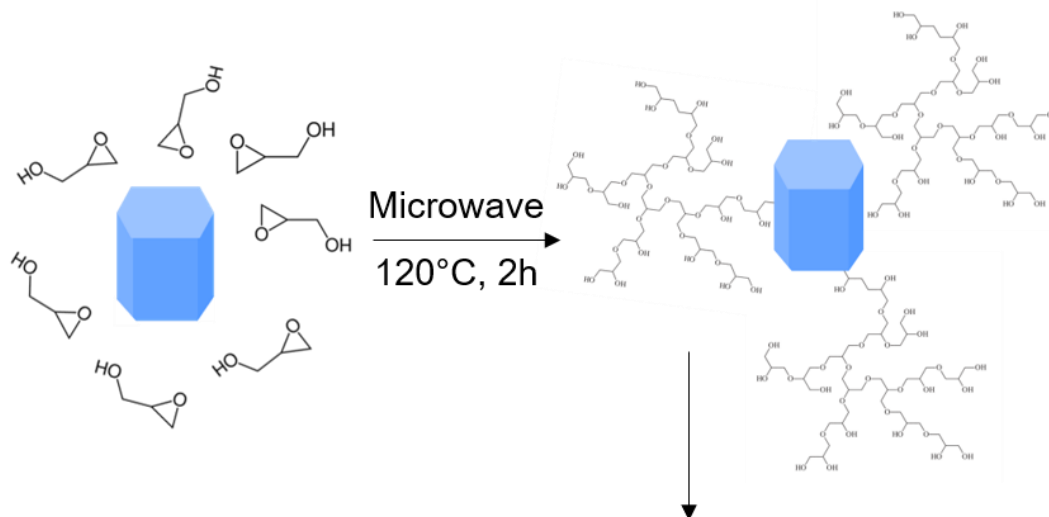
# Composite coatings with nanocrystals – plasmonic $\text{Cs}_x\text{WO}_{3-\delta}$



Highly doped semiconductor exhibiting Near Infra-Red absorption



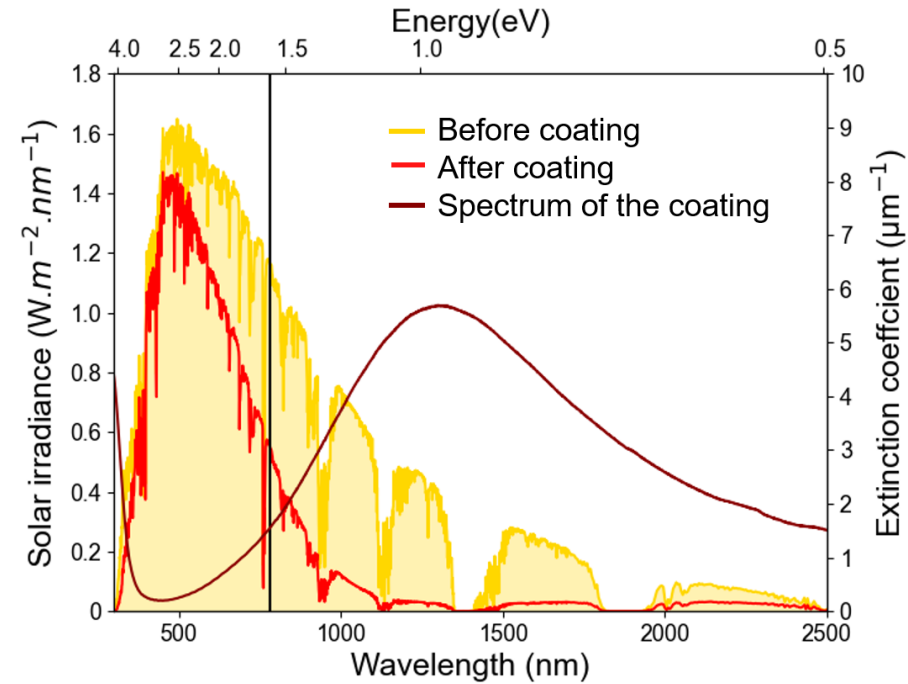
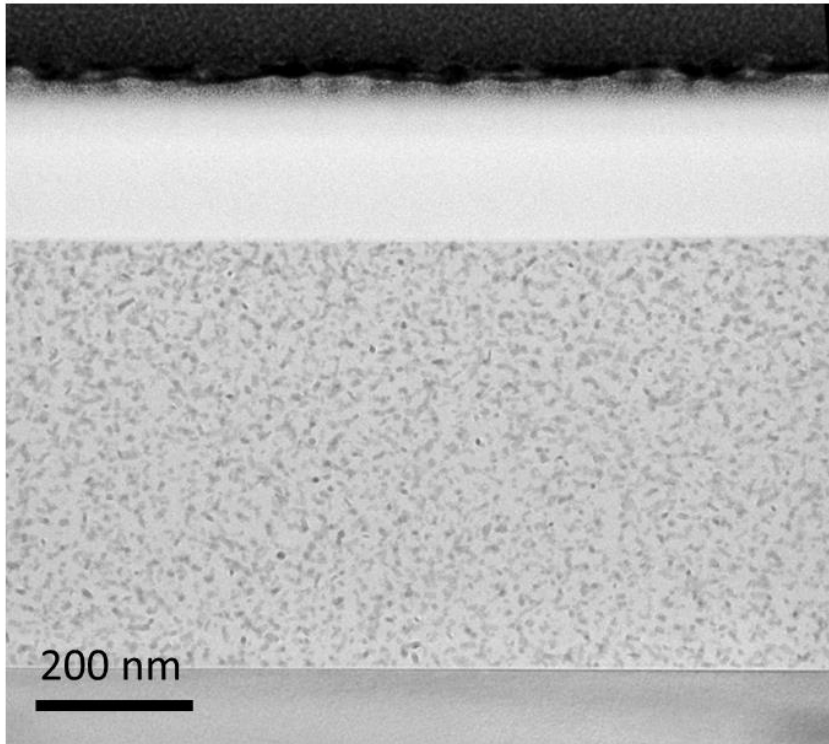
Dispersion issue : Glycidol functionalization



# Composite coatings for solar NIR screening

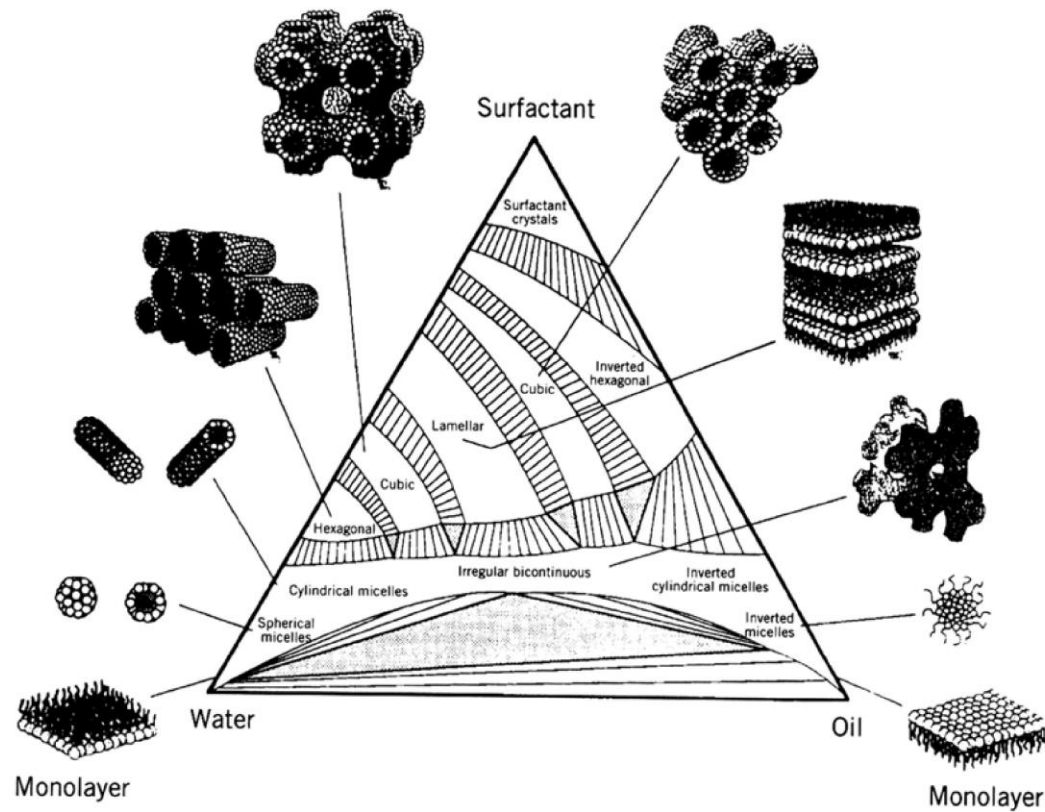
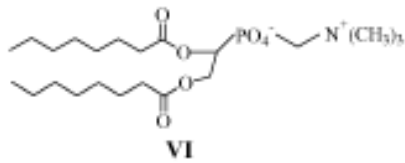
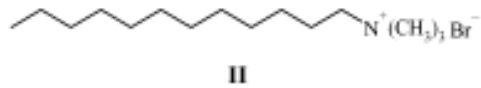
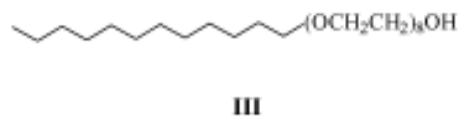
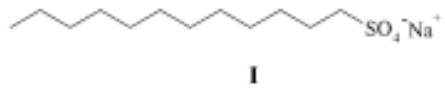


TEM cross section of the composite



Thickness	$T_{\text{vis}}$	$A_{\text{NIR}}$
5.9 $\mu\text{m}$	80%	74%

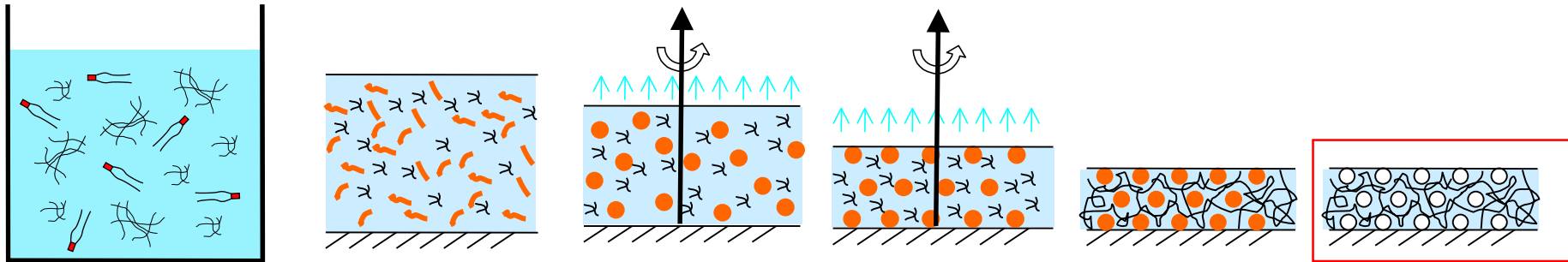
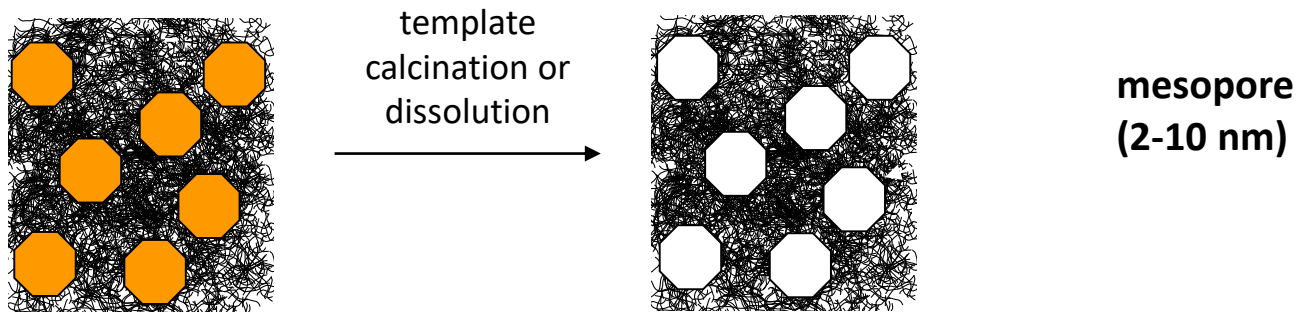
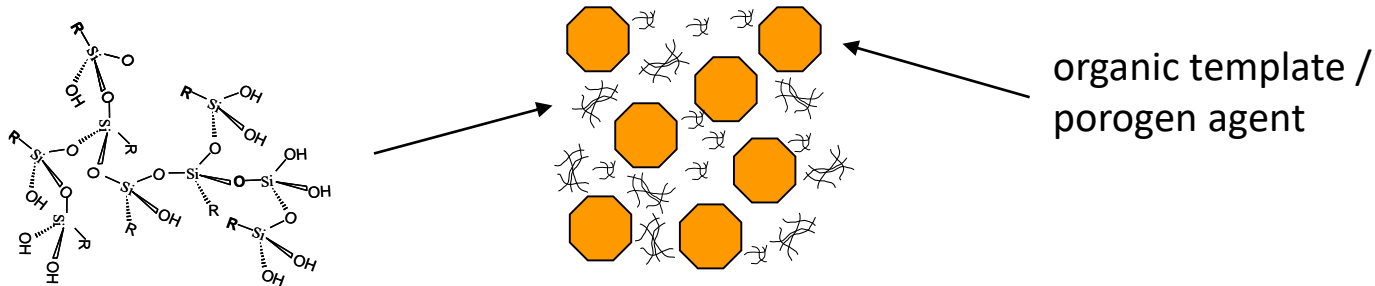
## micellar assemblies of surfactants



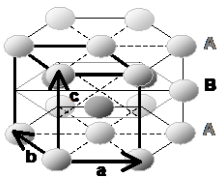
# Porous silica coatings



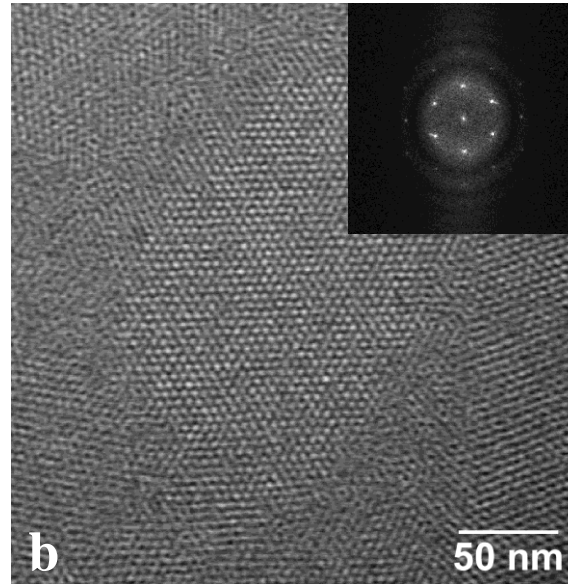
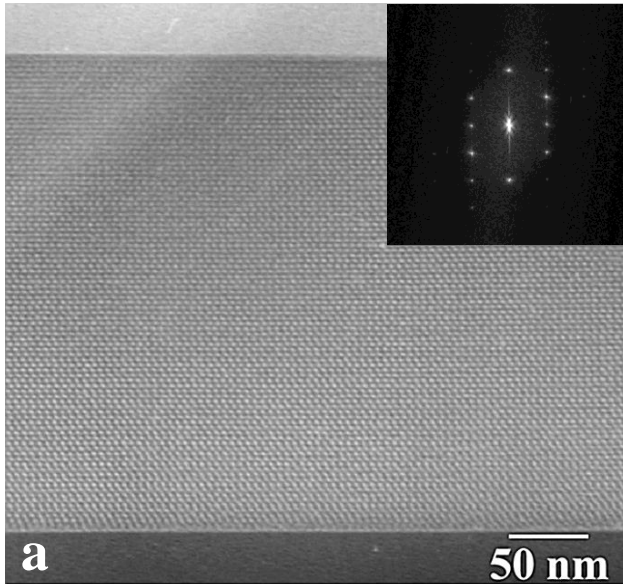
Following Mobile Oil Corp. work on the development of porous silica for catalysis



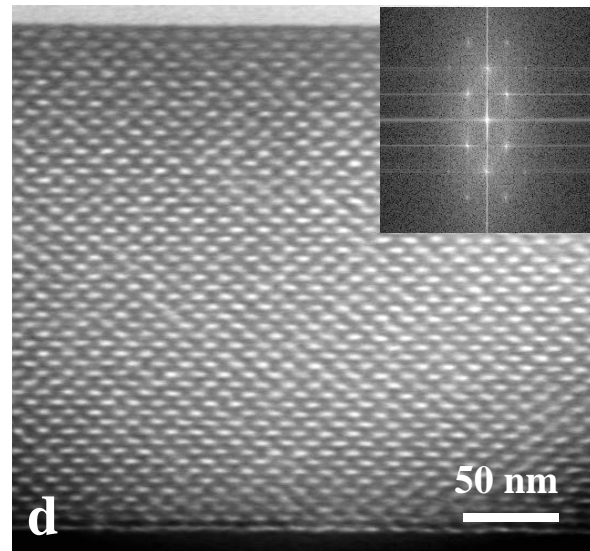
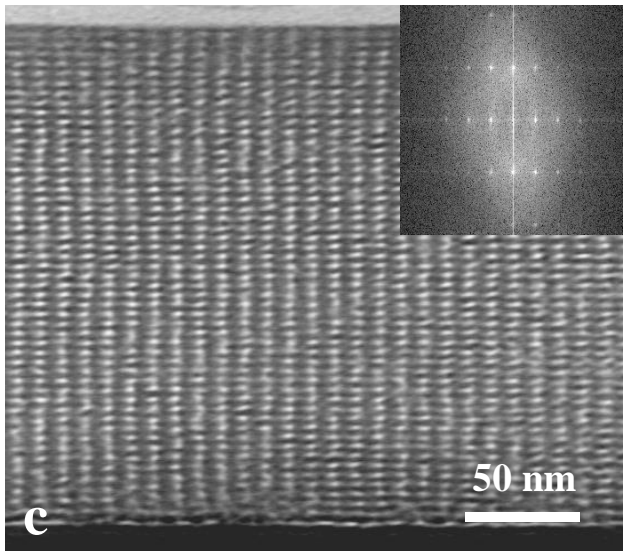
# Organized mesopore 3D arrays



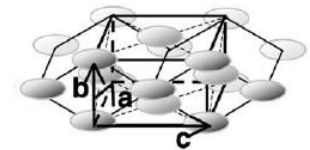
$a=5.6 \text{ nm}$   
 $c=6.2 \text{ nm}$



CTAB



Copolymère

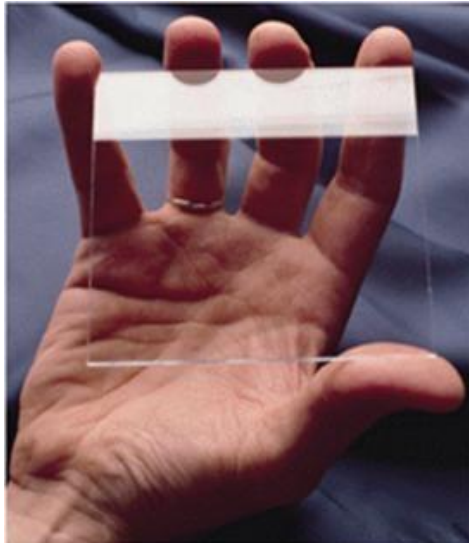


$a=16 \text{ nm}$   
 $b=10 \text{ nm}$   
 $c=23 \text{ nm}$

# Functionnal coatings from mesoporous silica layers



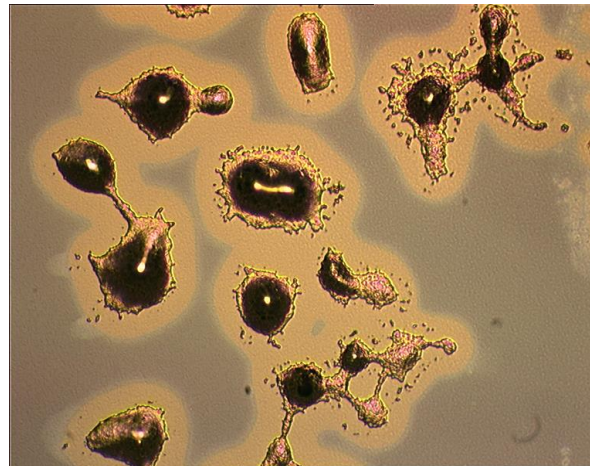
AR coatings



Host for organized arrays of NP



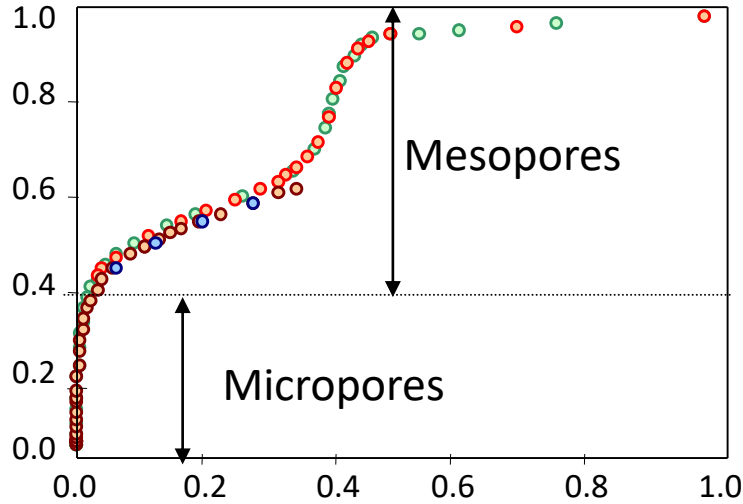
Reservoir for active molecules (photochromic, hydrophobic)



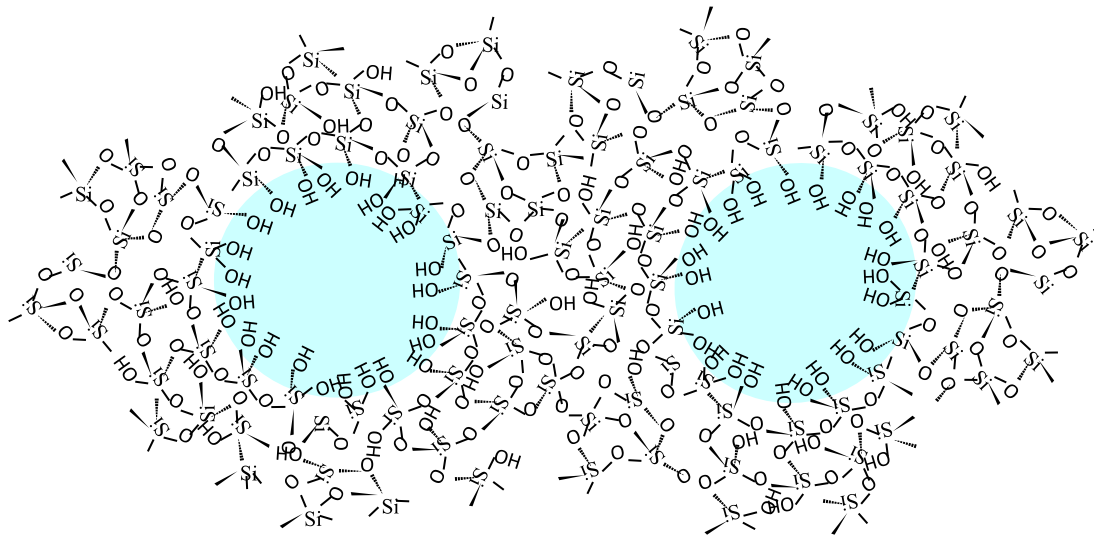
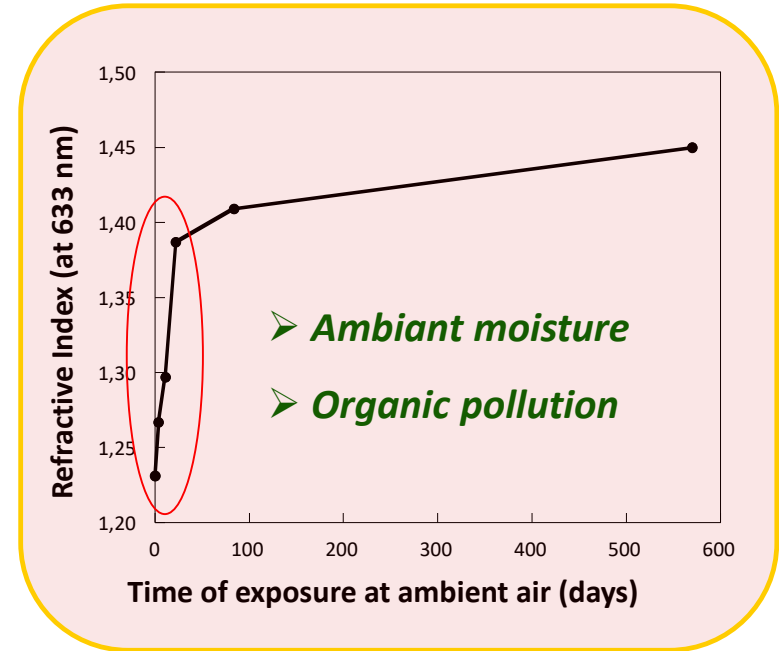
# Capillary condensation and contaminant adsorption



Ethanol pore filling fraction  
(Ellipsometric measurement)



Ethanol relative pressure

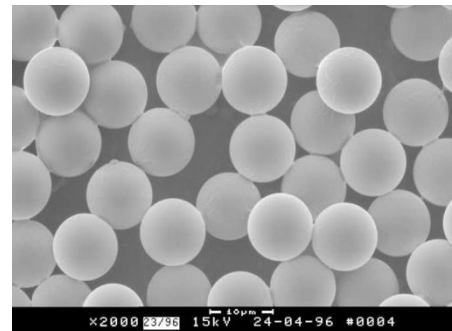
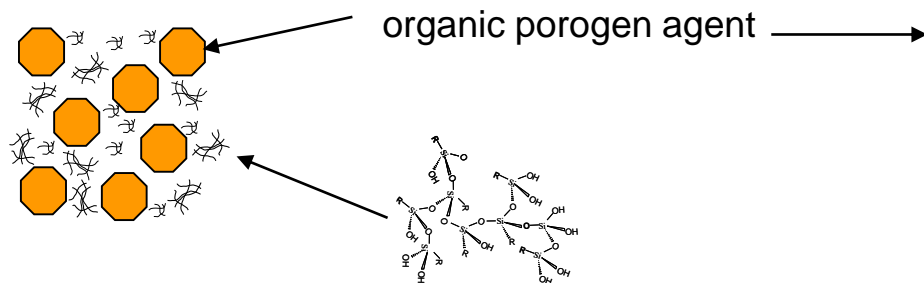


Kelvin law :  
Increase pore size!

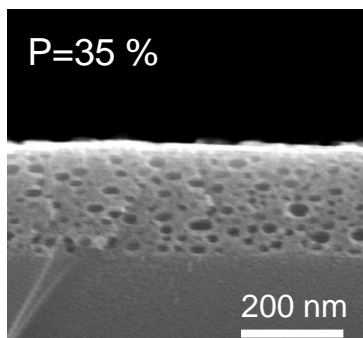
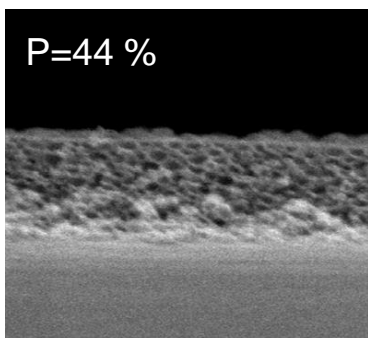
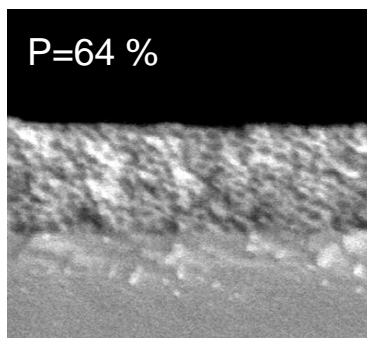
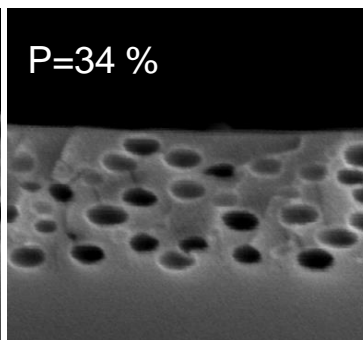
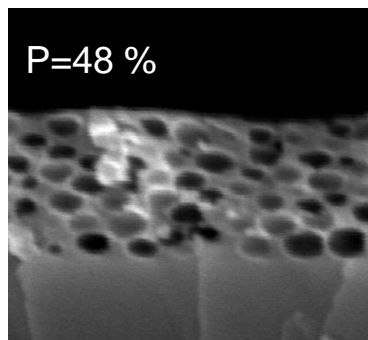
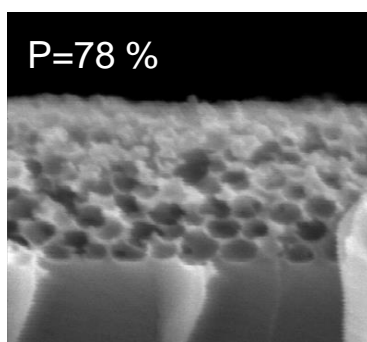
# Microporous to macroporous



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latex spheres  
30-100 nm

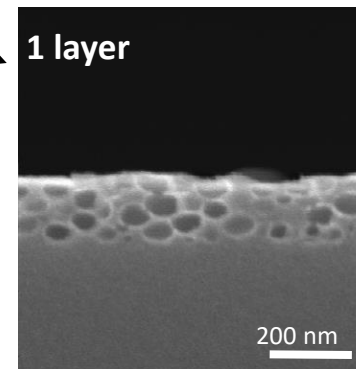
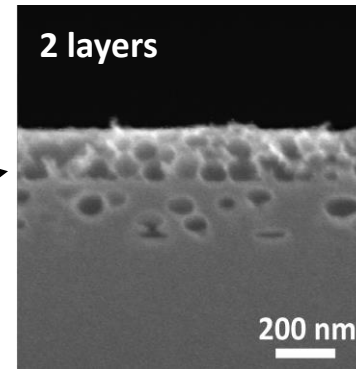
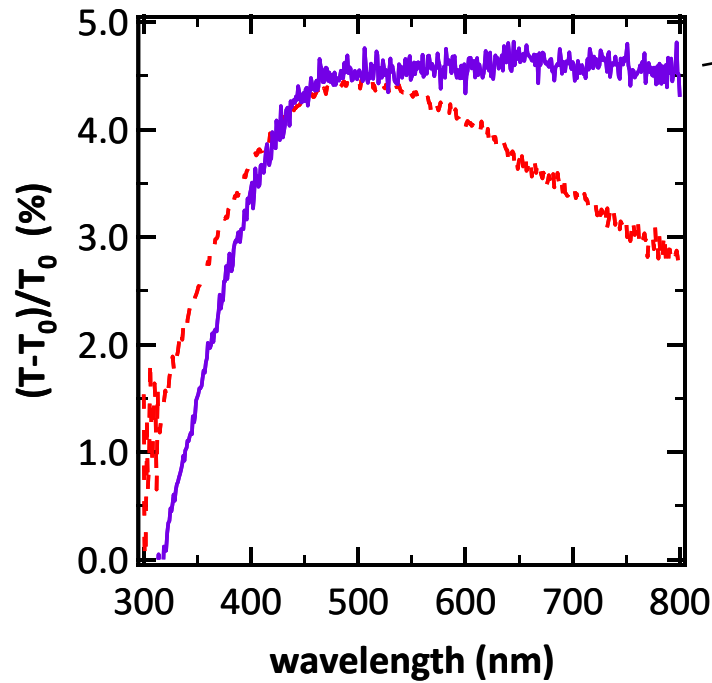


Adjustable porosity  
Dense silica walls

High stability toward ageing

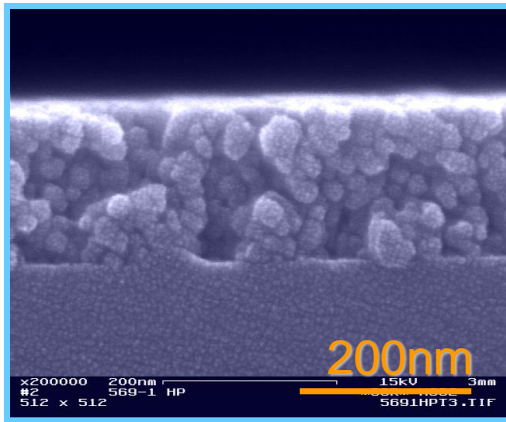
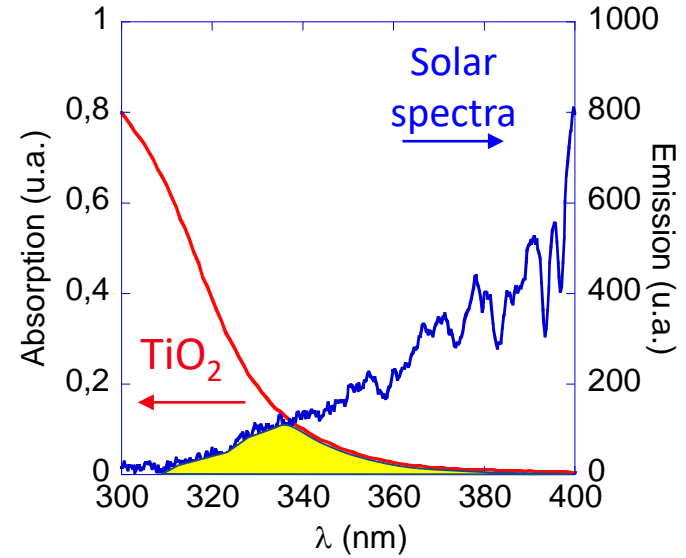
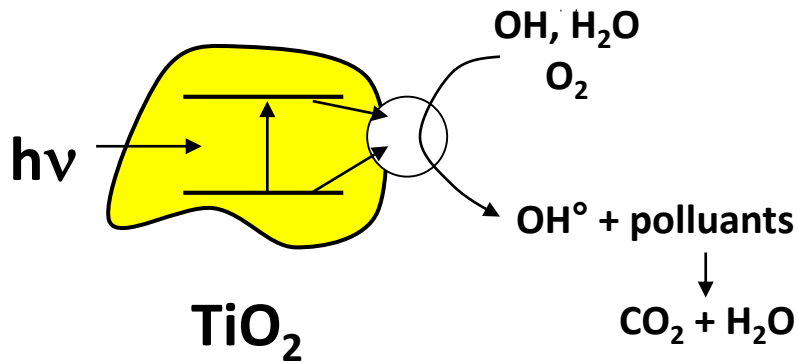


# AR coatings for photovoltaics



SGG commercial product

# Photocatalytic coatings

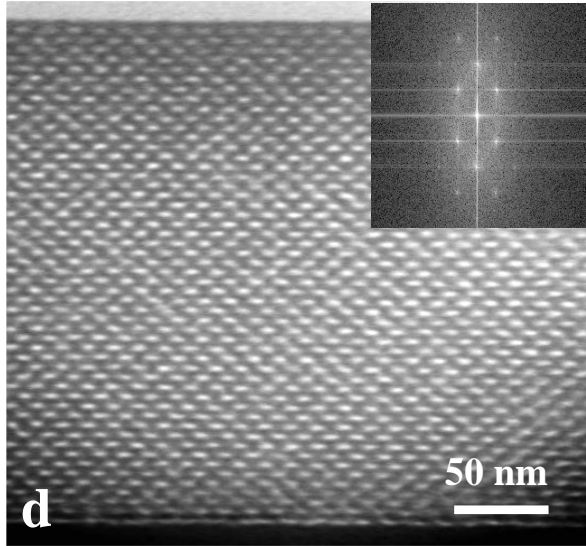


SGG Bioclean :

Photocatalysis and  
hydrophylicity

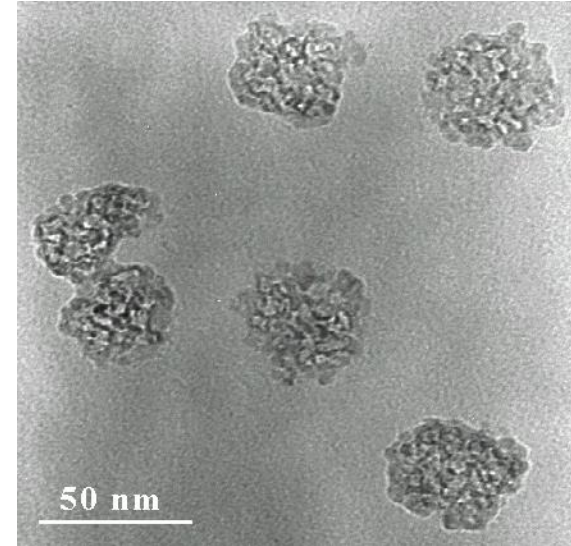
- Enhanced performance : optimized microstructure and visible light activation

# Highly porous photocatalytic coating

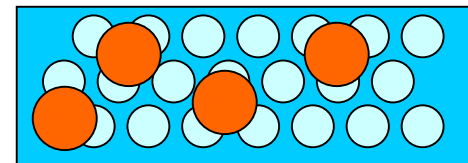
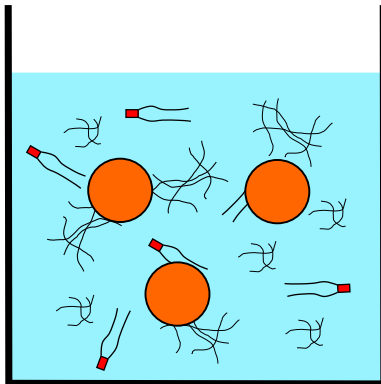


Mesoporous silica

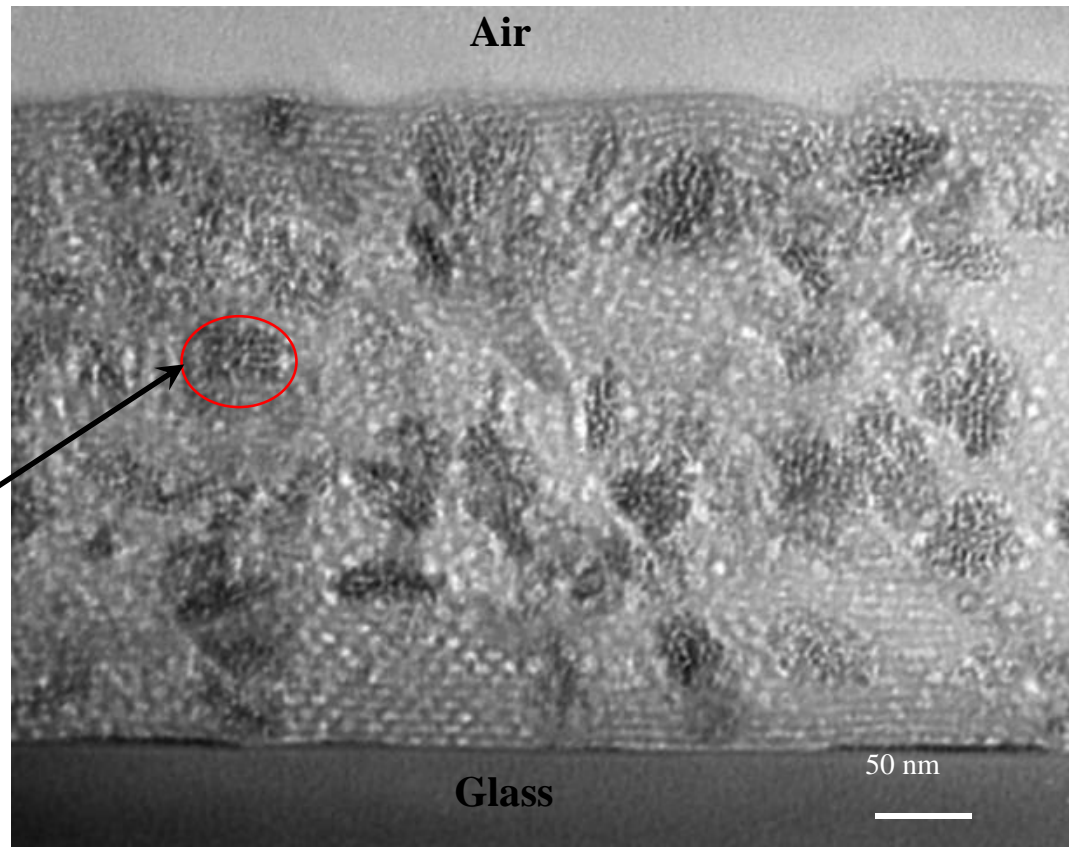
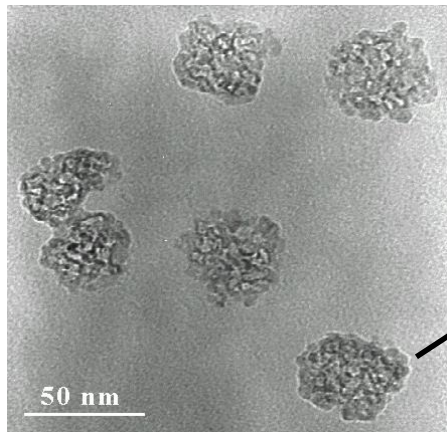
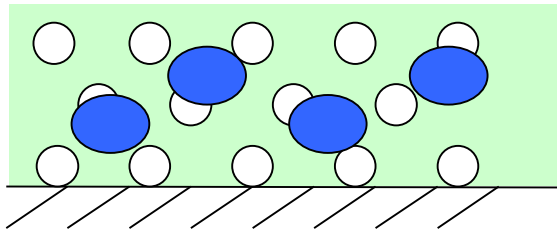
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TiO<sub>2</sub> preformed colloidal particles (commercial)



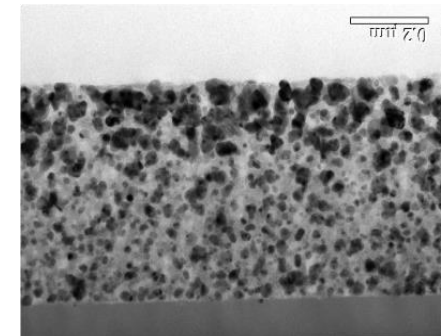
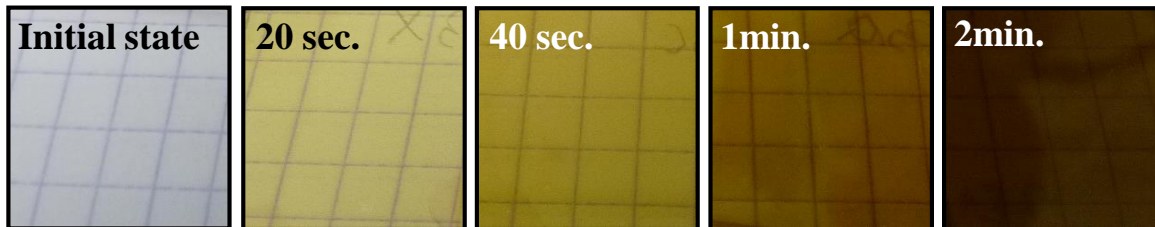
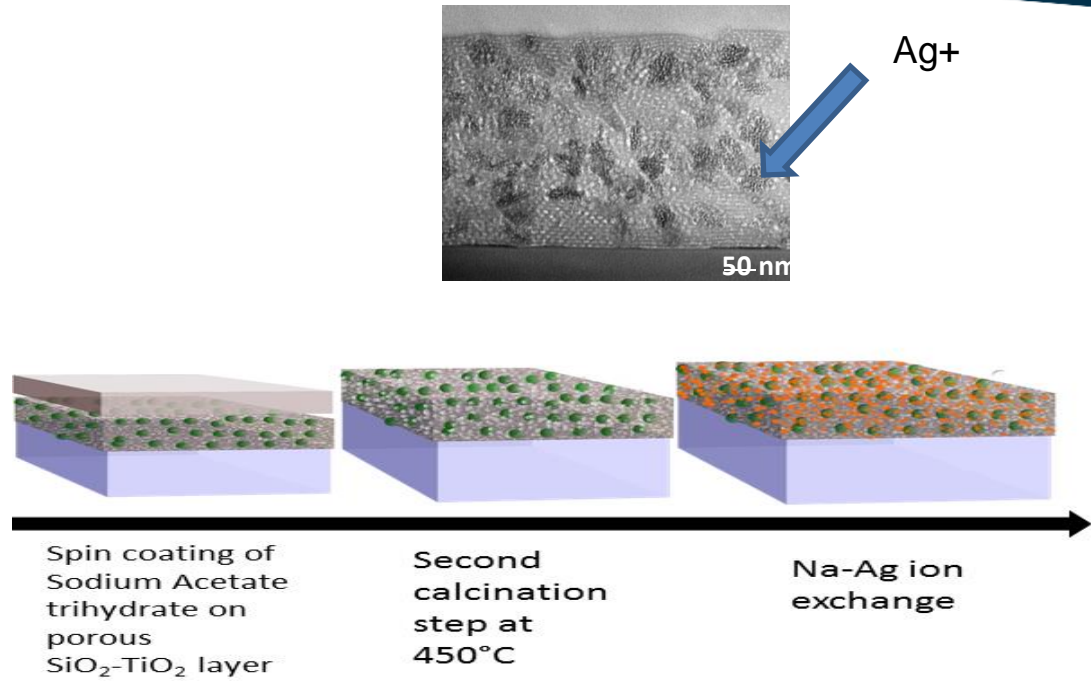
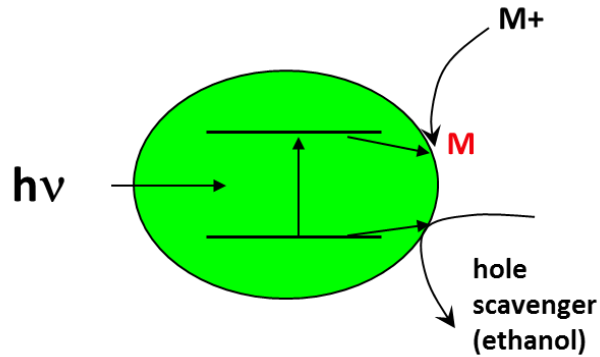
# Enhanced performance



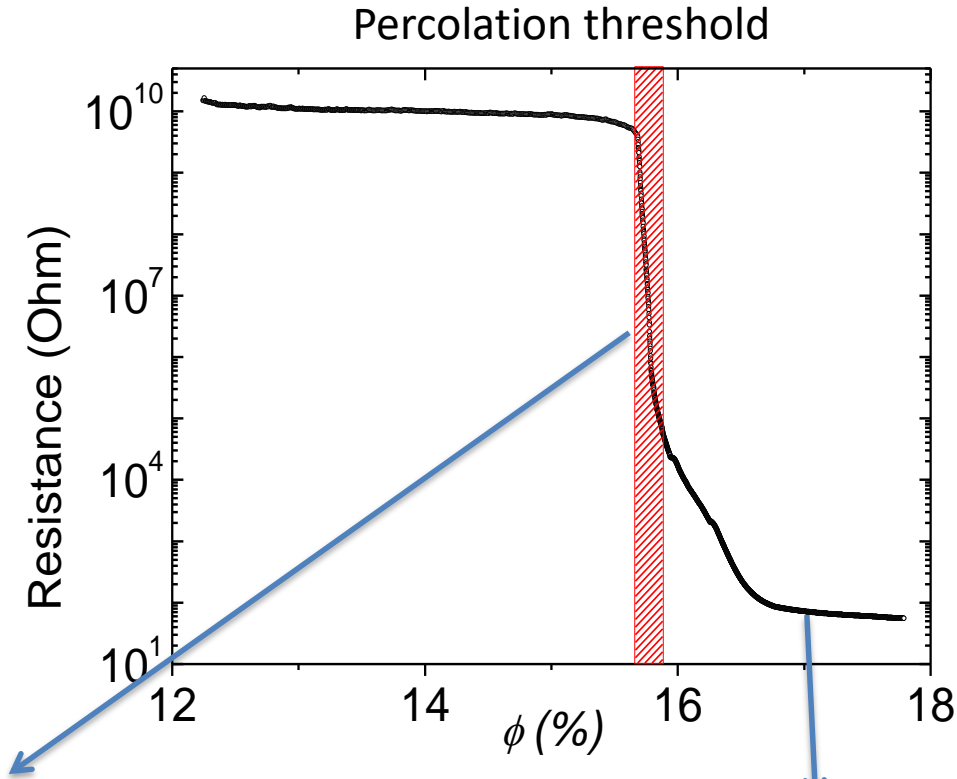
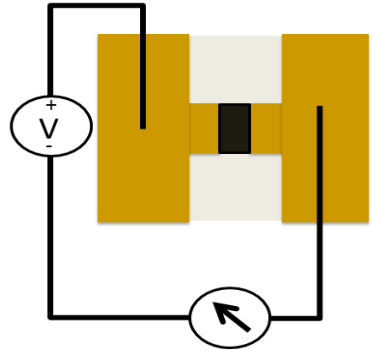
- x10 improvement of photocatalytic quantum yield
- Applications under low UV conditions
- Visible activation through N doping



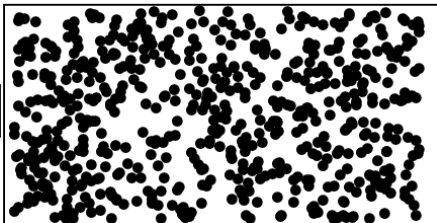
# Photocatalytic reduction toward metal/dielectric nanocomposites



# Tunable metal loading - Insulator to metal transition



Piezoresistive device



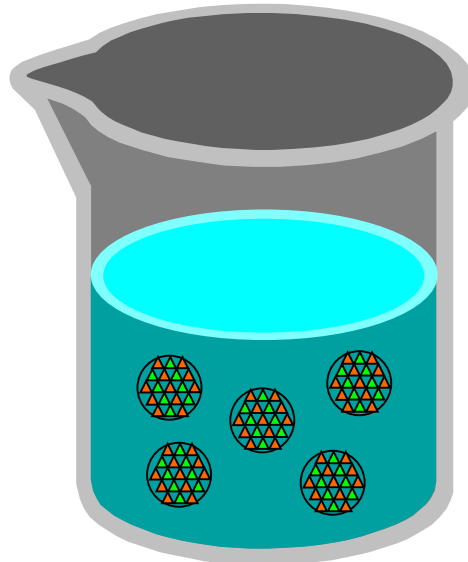
Patterned electrodes

# Coatings from nanoparticles



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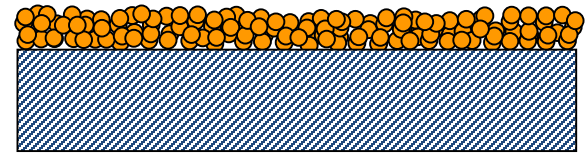
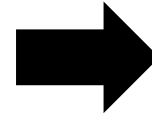
Silica



Gold

Silver

Diamond

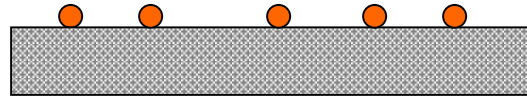


YVO<sub>4</sub>:Eu

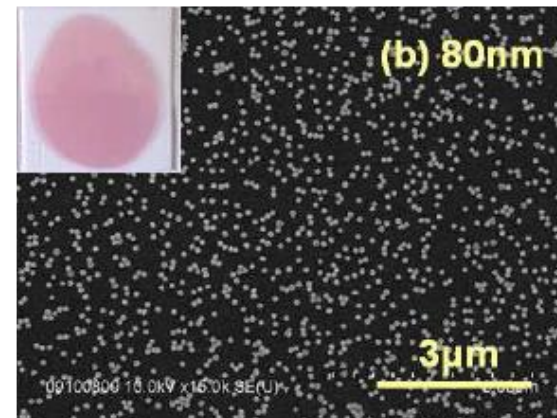
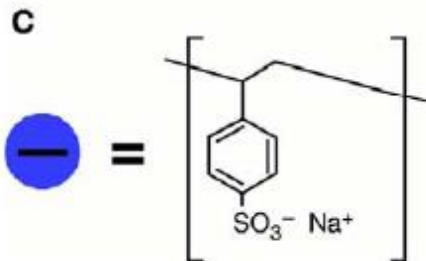
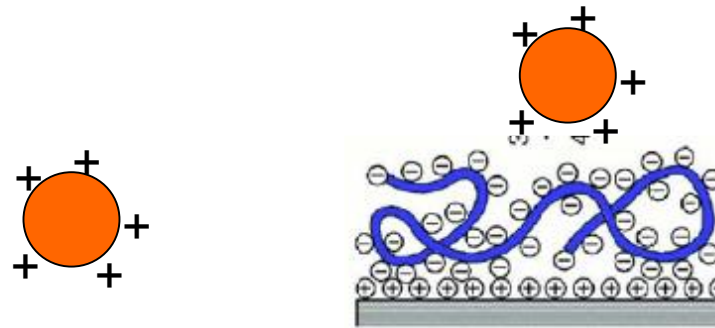
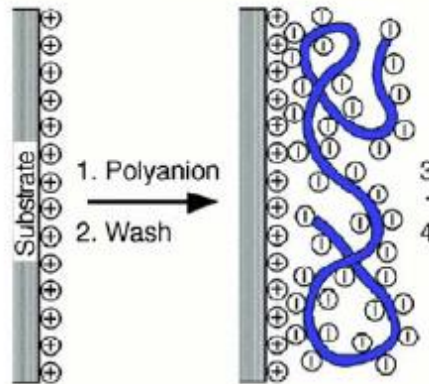
LaPO<sub>4</sub>

YAG:Ce

# Particles grafting on surfaces



Electrostatic grafting :



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Gold particles  
for plasmon  
excitation in  
luminescent  
coatings

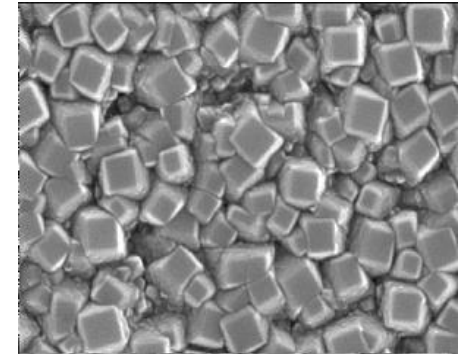
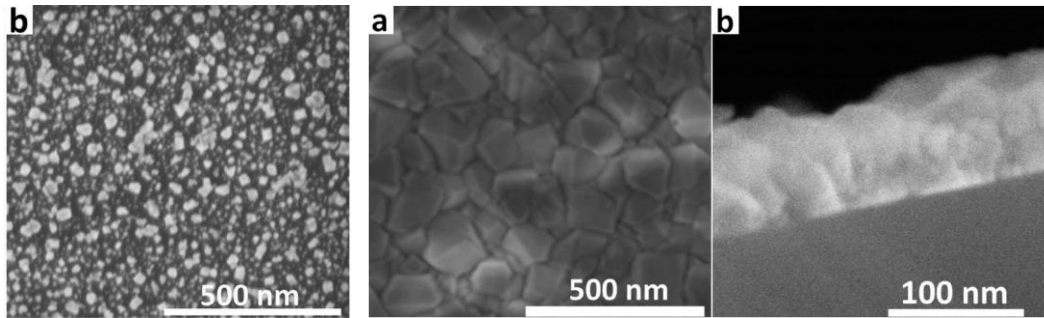
➤ very simple to achieve with good density control (random)



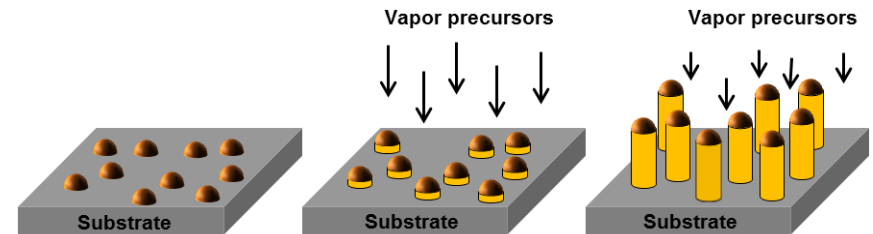
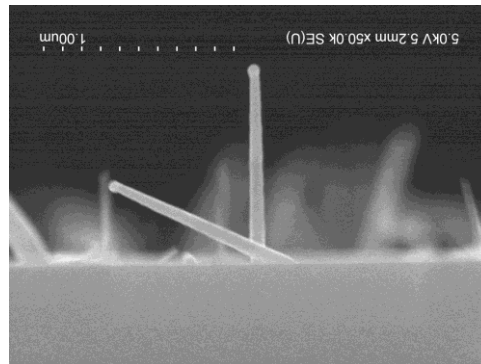
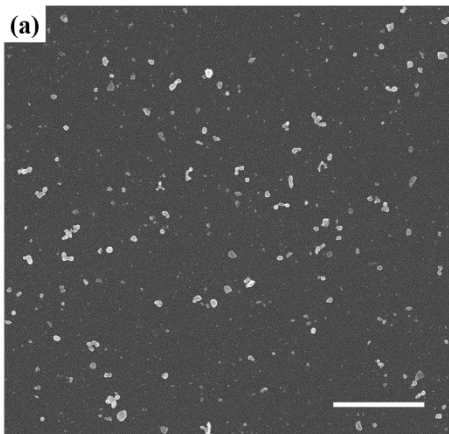
# Liquid deposition of NP and CVD growth



## Diamond nanoparticles as seeds for CVD diamond films



## SnO<sub>2</sub> catalyst for PECVD growth of Si nanowires



# Rare earth doped nanoparticles



$\text{YVO}_4:\text{Eu}^{3+}$



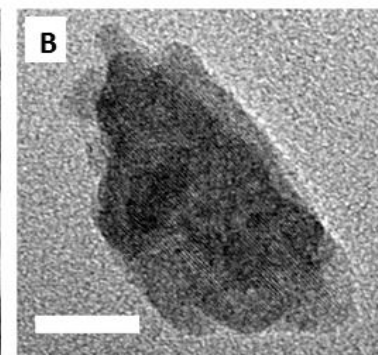
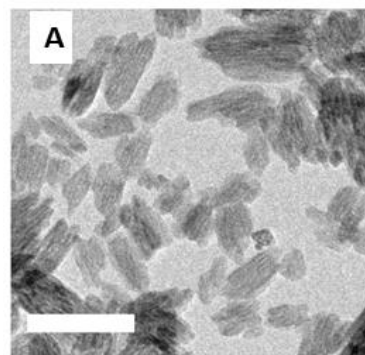
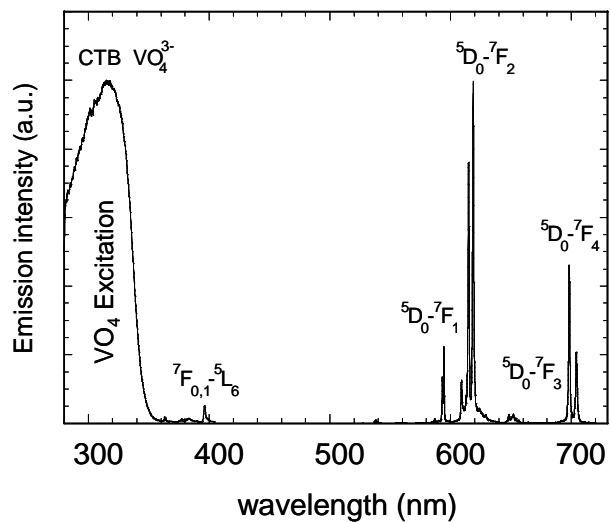
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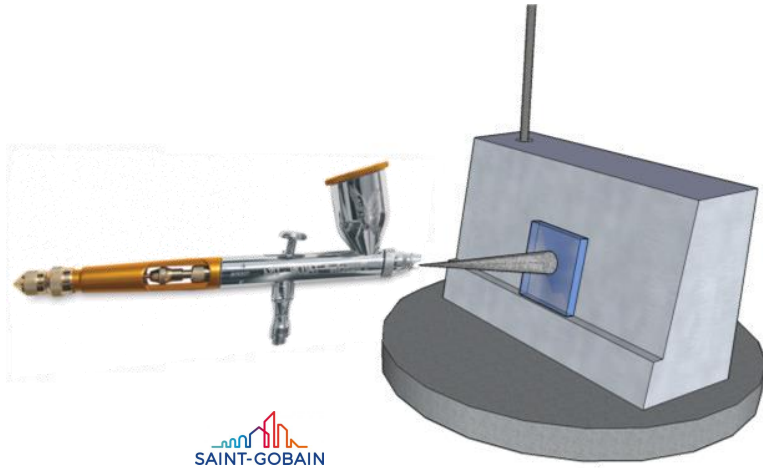
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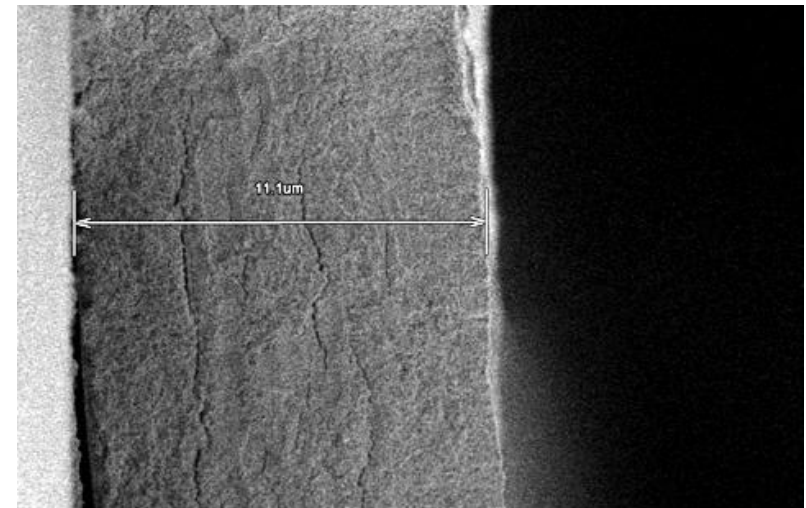
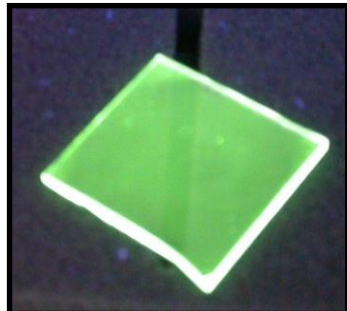
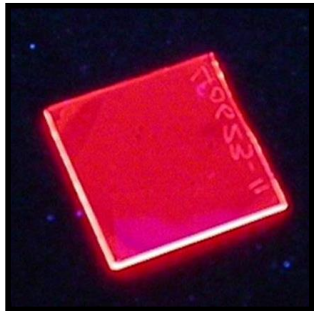
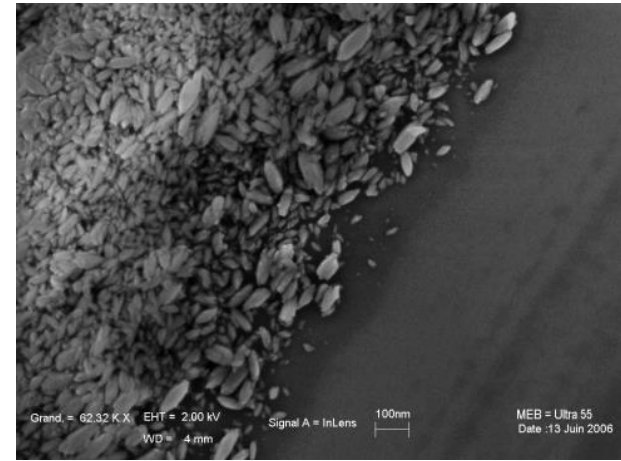
$\text{Y}_3\text{Al}_5\text{O}_{12}:\text{Ce}^{3+}$



# Spray deposition of luminescent thin films



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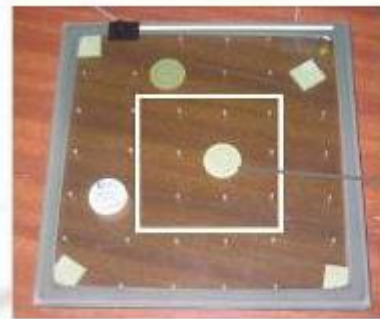
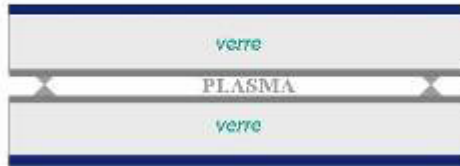
1kV x6k

5.0μm

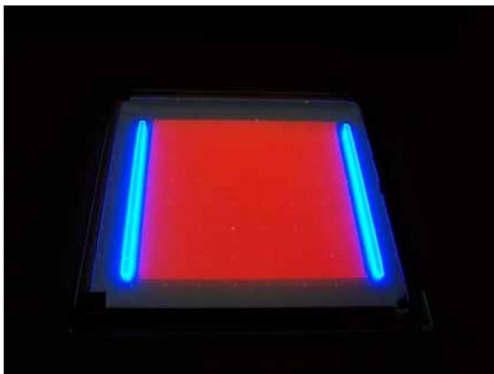
# Transparent Planilum – SPOT Project



Lampe plane Planilum®



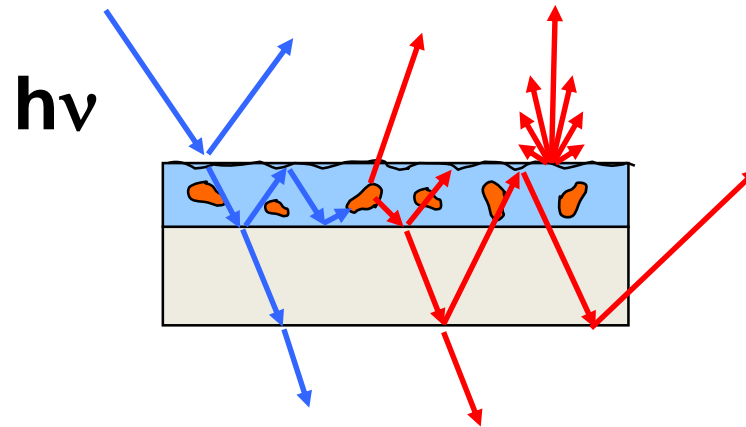
Luminophores



Lampe plane 1 face – env.  $3\mu\text{m}$   
1600 V à 40 kHz  
Manufacture : 06VBE552



Lampe plane 1 face – env. 3 à  $4\mu\text{m}$   
1600 V 40 kHz



Functionality optimization :

**intrinsic nature of the optically active material**



- absorption cross section
- internal quantum yield
- photostability

**Structure of the active material**



- morphology, size
- local microstructure

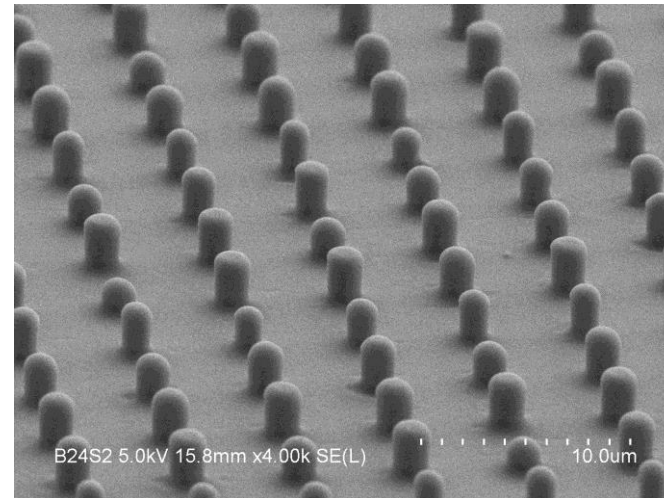
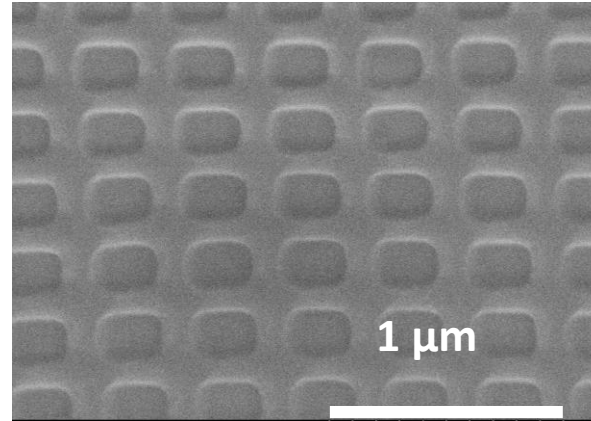
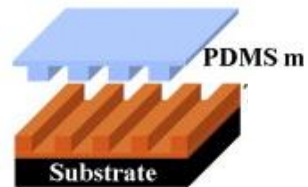
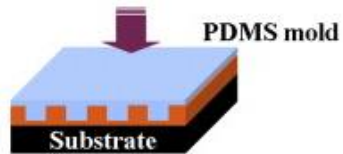
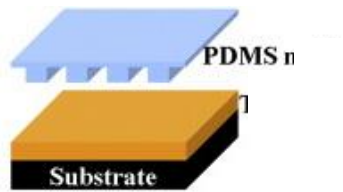
**Global film microstructure**



- **light propagation**

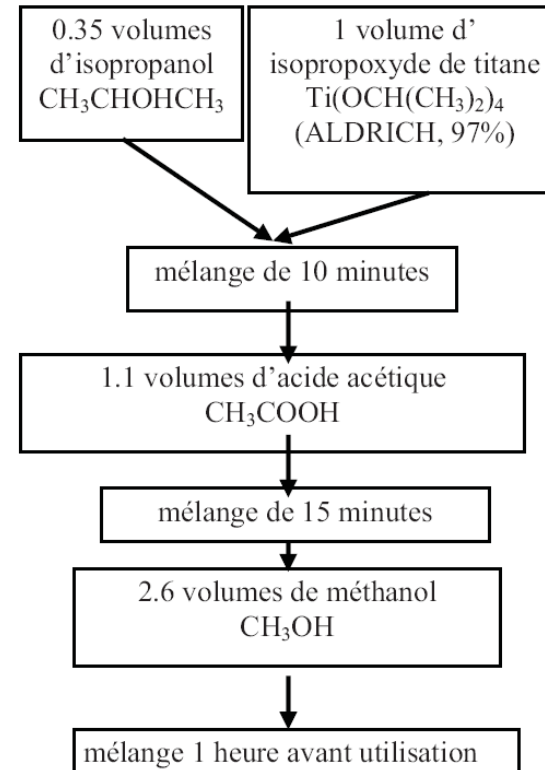
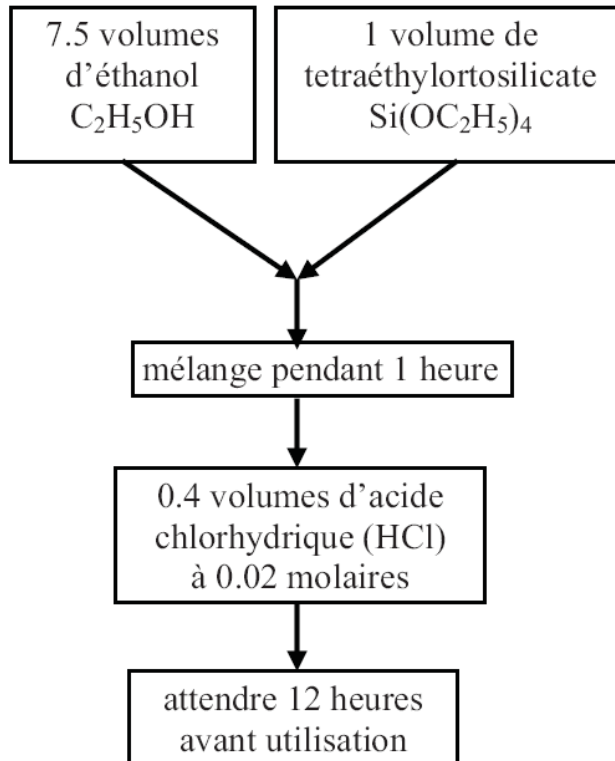
➤ Design of the film dielectric microstructure for optimized light propagation

# Structuration through embossing / imprint



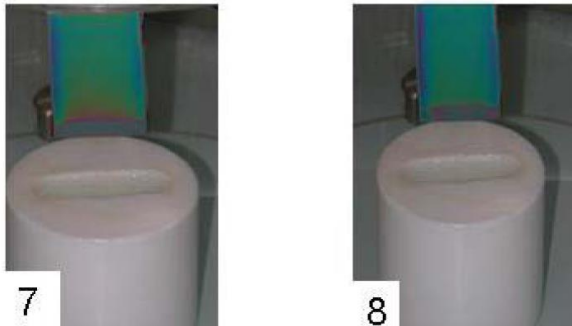
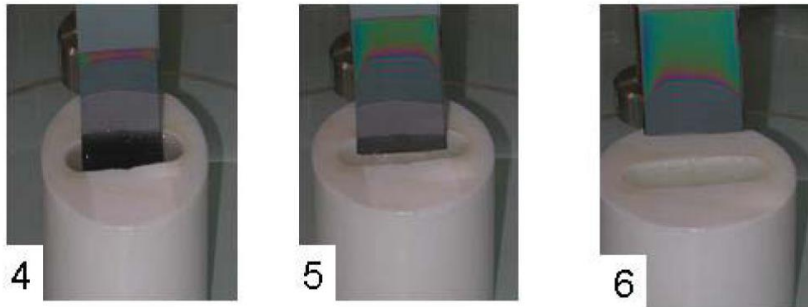


# Bragg mirrors elaboration from sol-gel $\text{TiO}_2/\text{SiO}_2$





# Alternate dip-coating deposition



Compensation des contraintes ( $900^{\circ}\text{C}$  - 1 s)

60 couches alternées  $\text{SiO}_2$  /  $\text{TiO}_2$  sans craquelures ou rugosité importante

# Bragg mirrors elaboration from sol-gel $\text{TiO}_2/\text{SiO}_2$

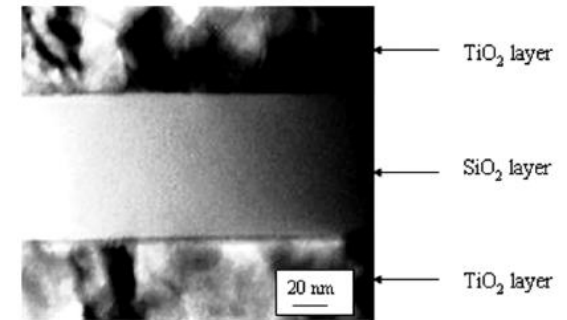
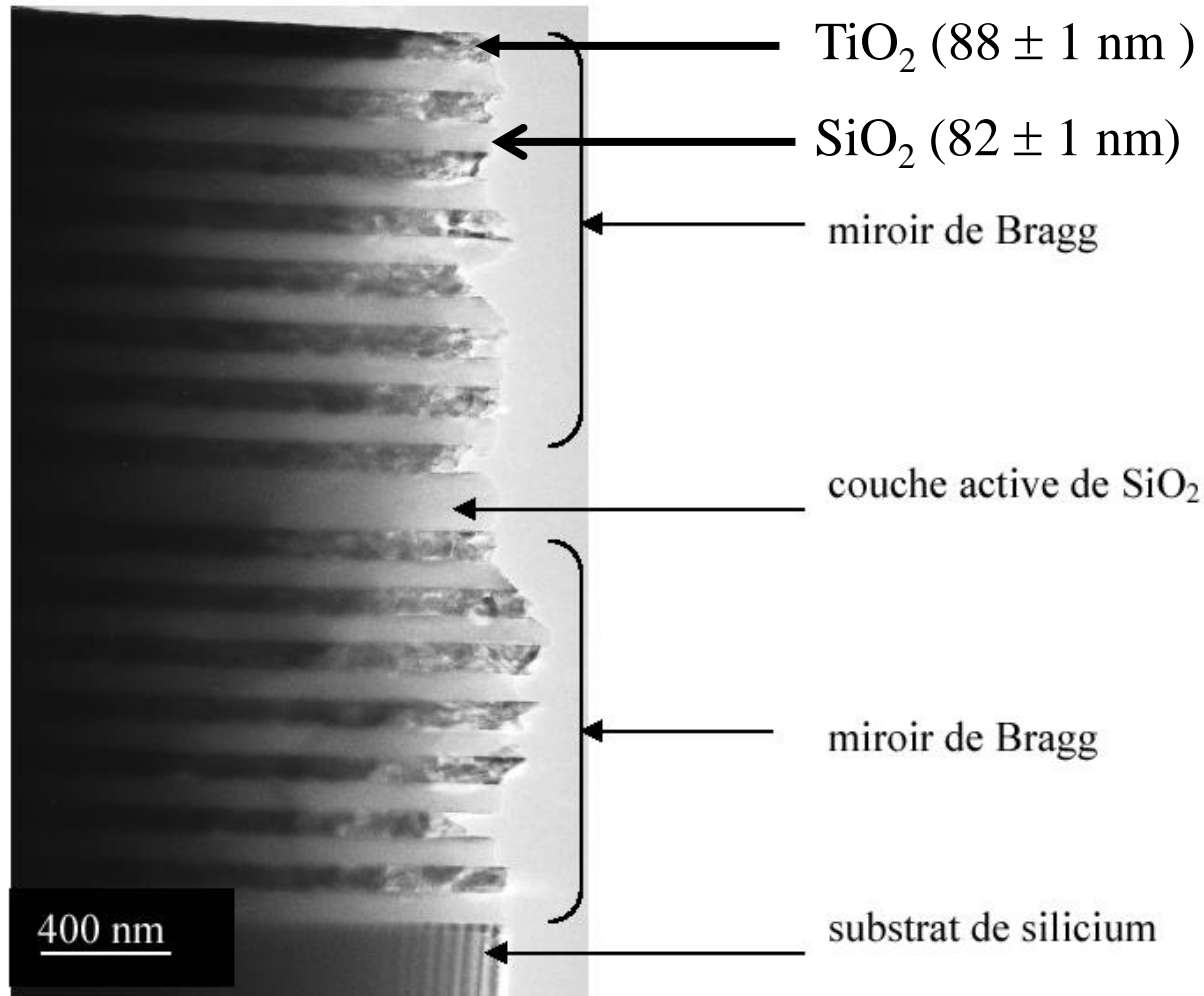


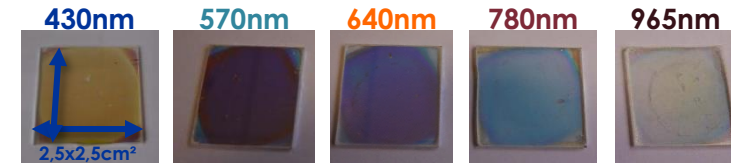
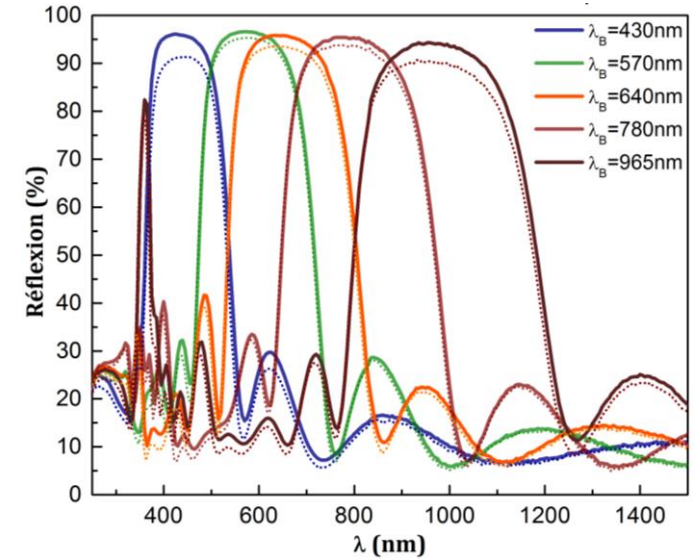
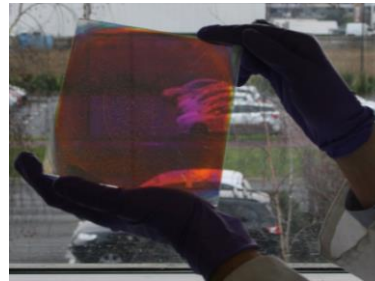
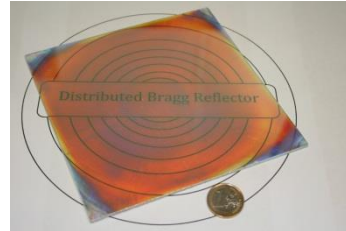
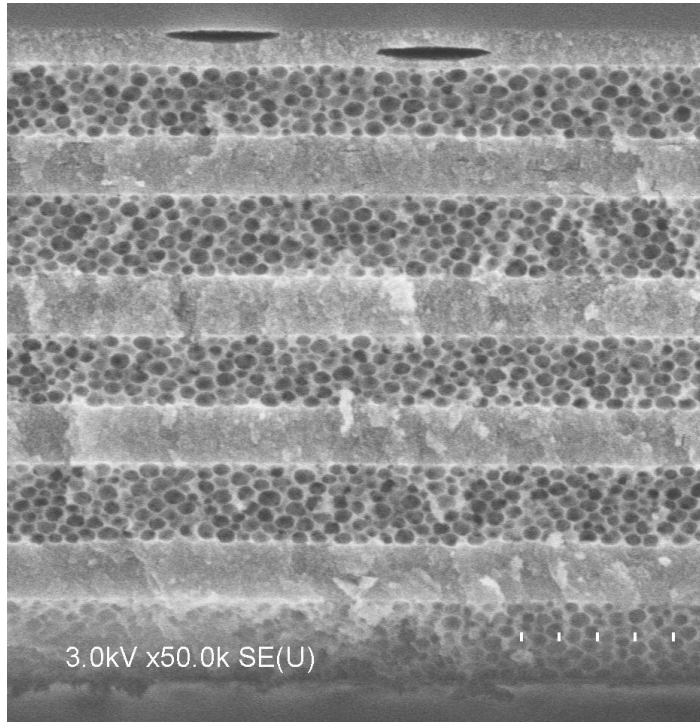
Fig. 4. TEM enlarged image of a cavity shown in Fig. 3. The  $\text{SiO}_2$  middle layer is inserted between two  $\text{TiO}_2$  layers.

# Bragg mirrors



Macroporous silica layers ( $n=1,24$ )

Polymeric  $\text{TiO}_2$  ( $n=2,08$ )

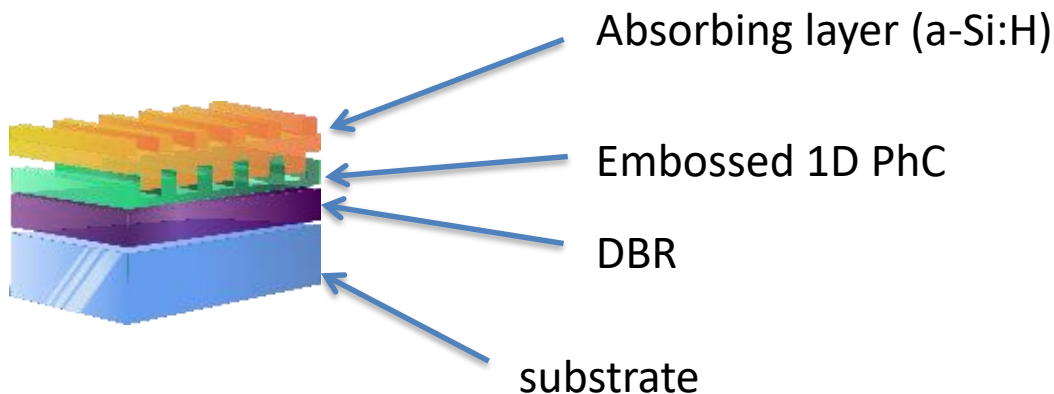
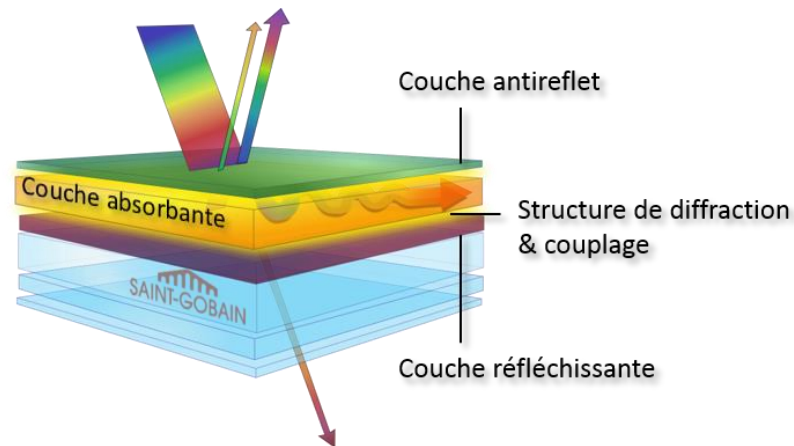
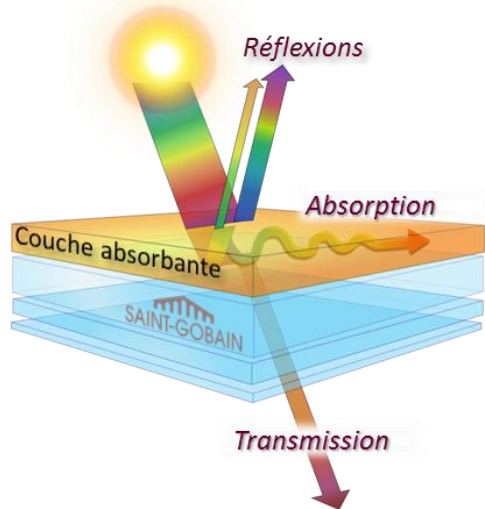


➤ Simple process, tunable properties

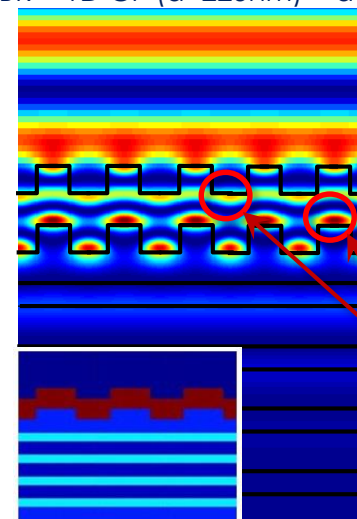
# Light trapping in Photovoltaic absorbers



Increase of optical path length in absorbing layers

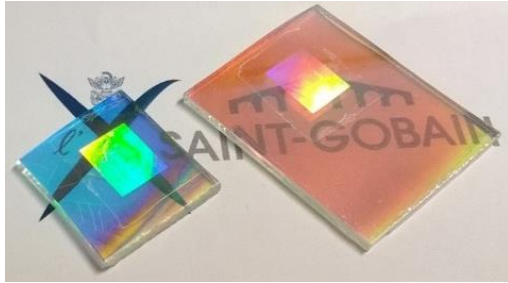


DBR + 1D CP ( $\alpha=225\text{nm}$ ) +  $\alpha$ -Si:H

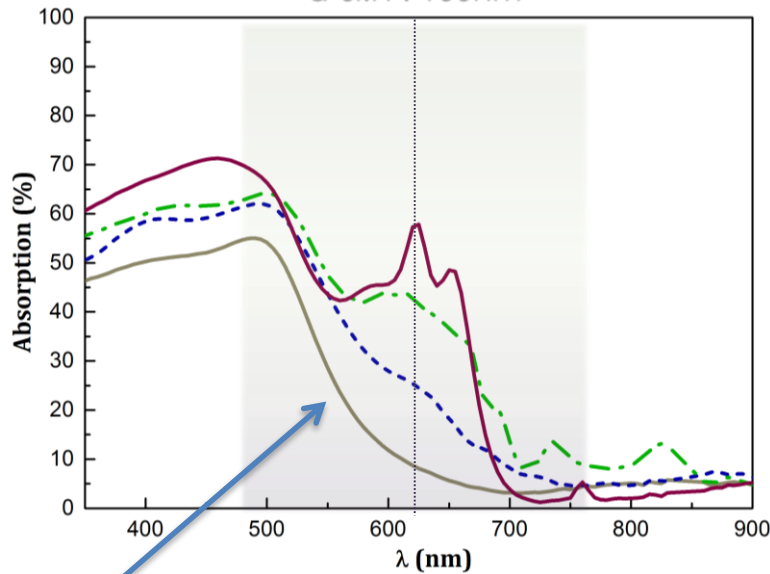
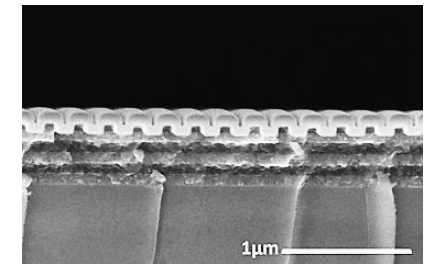
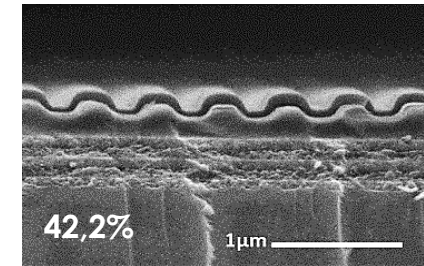
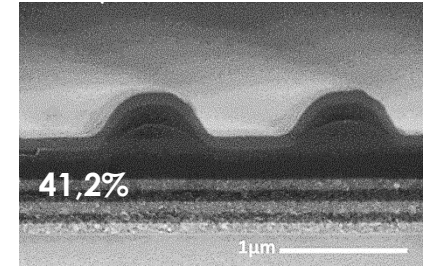
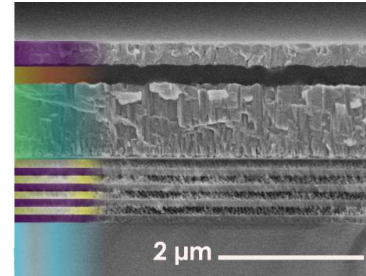


Diffraction dans la couche

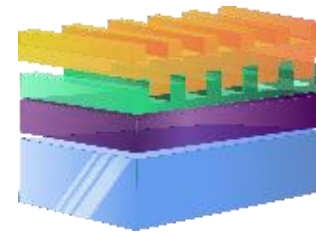
# Exalted absorption in a-Si:H layers



$\alpha$ -Si:H : 100nm



$\alpha$ -Si:H +  
DBR + CP



- A : P=1500nm    - - - -    34,3%
- B : P=500nm    - . . -    41,2%
- D : P=225nm    ————    42,2%



- Chemistry and liquid desposition routes offer unique oppportunities for innovative products
- Gap between lab and industrial product
  - Academic collaborations
  - hard work of process engineering
- Interactions between wet coatings and PVD (magnetron) or CVD
- Important general issues:
  - Deposition processes, homogeneity over  $m^2$  surfaces
  - Thermal treatments (laser...)
  - Binder silicate chemistry
  - Substrate/coating interactions
  - Strain control in sol-gel thin films

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