

# Two-photon polymerization of Proteinaceous microstructures with Near-infrared photothermal activity

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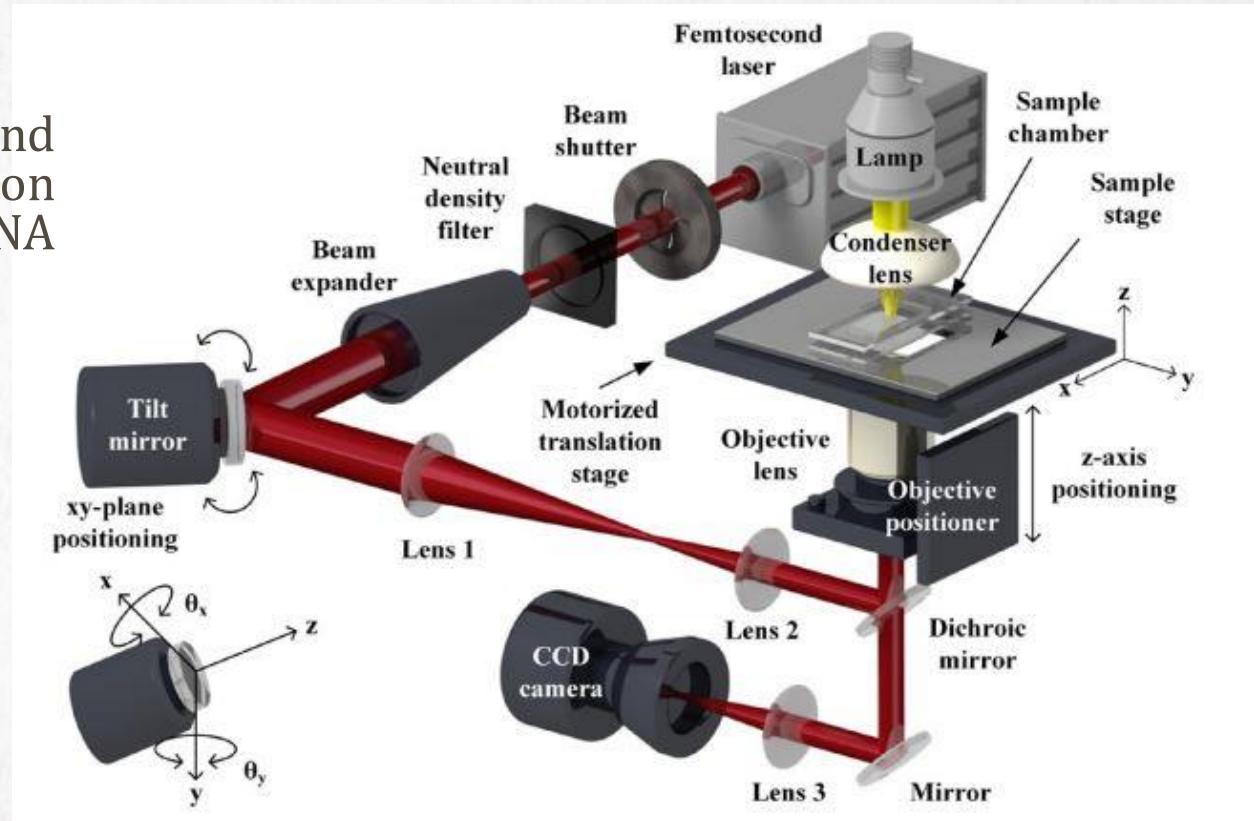
# AGENDA

- Direct Laser Writing (DLW)
  - Methylene Blue (Track 1)
  - Rose Bengal (Track 2)
  - Rose Bengal + Gold NanoStars (Track 3)
- Photo-Thermal Activity
- Ongoing and Future Perspectives



# DLW, TWO-PHOTON SETUP

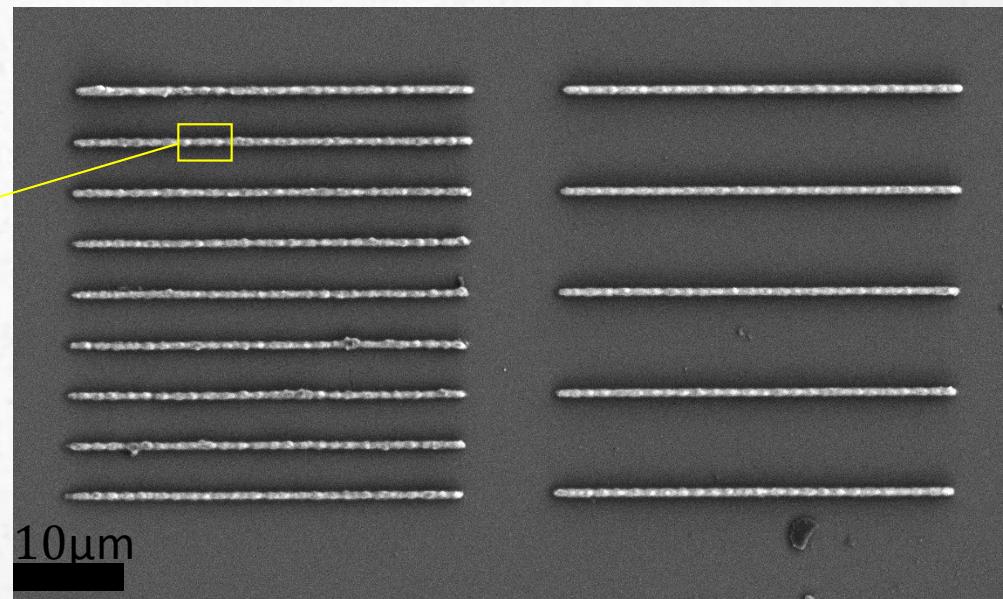
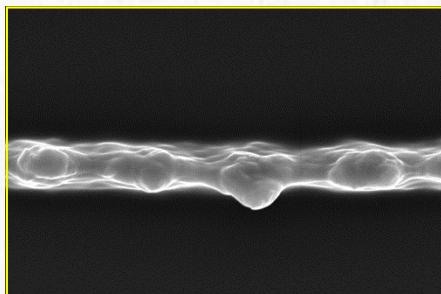
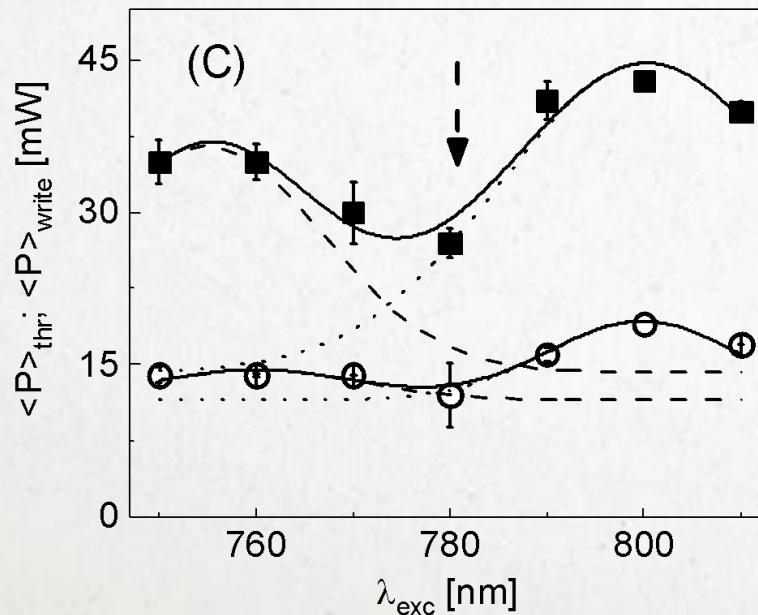
- Tsunami Series; Ti:Sapphire femtosecond pulsed laser, mounted on an inverted Nikon microscope with the AI objective (60X, NA 0.85); XYZ piezo-driven stage
  - Laser repetition rate; 80 MHz
  - Pulse duration; 200 fs
  - Working wavelengths; 780-820nm



# TWO-PHOTON CROSSLINKING (TPC), TRACK 1

- Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA) and Methylene Blue (MB,)

*Source Working wavelength; 780nm*



MB excitation band 633nm.  
Following rule of  $\lambda/0.7$  the two-photon peak locates around  $\sim 900\text{nm}$

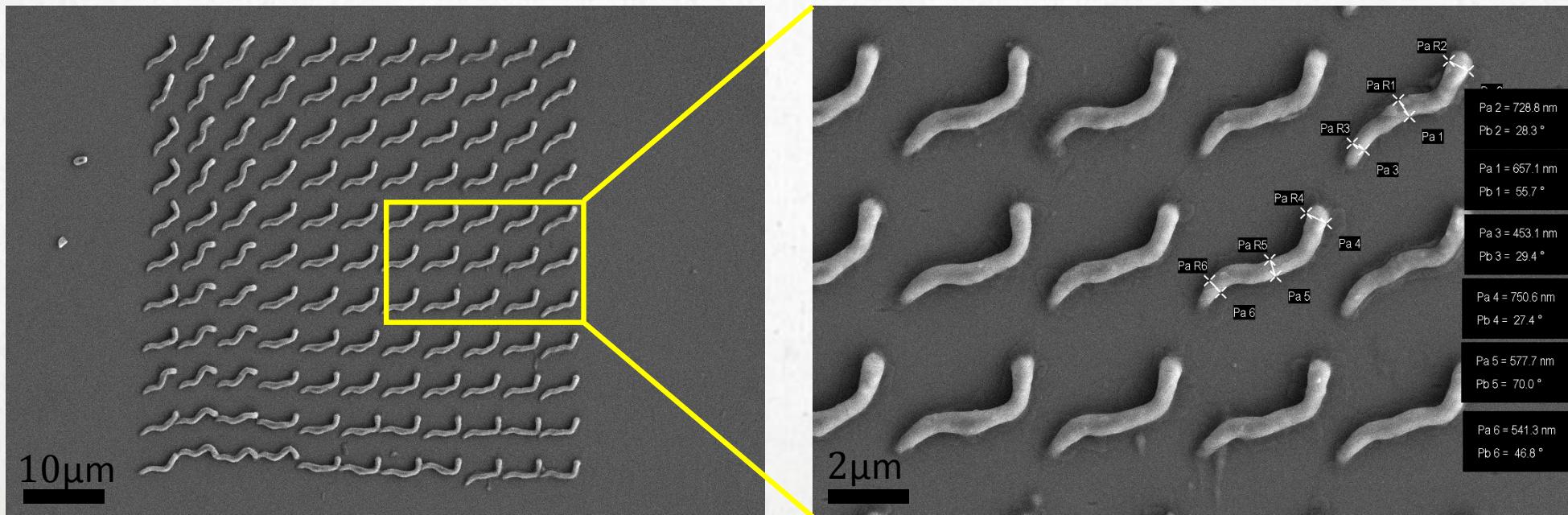


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$$E_{MB} = 240 \pm 80 \text{ kPa}$$

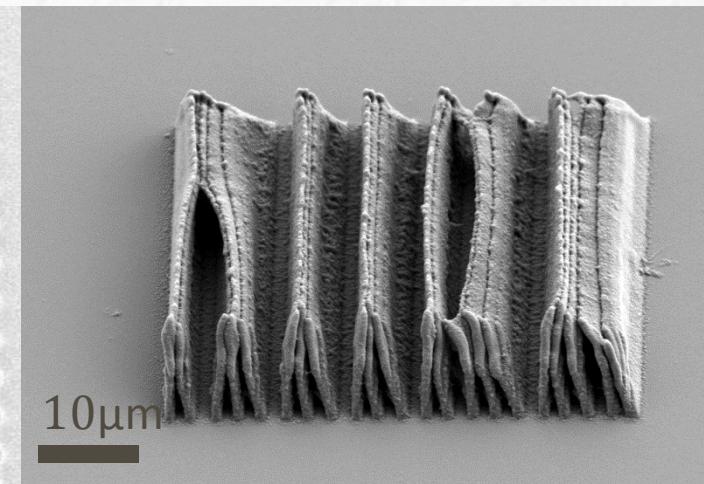
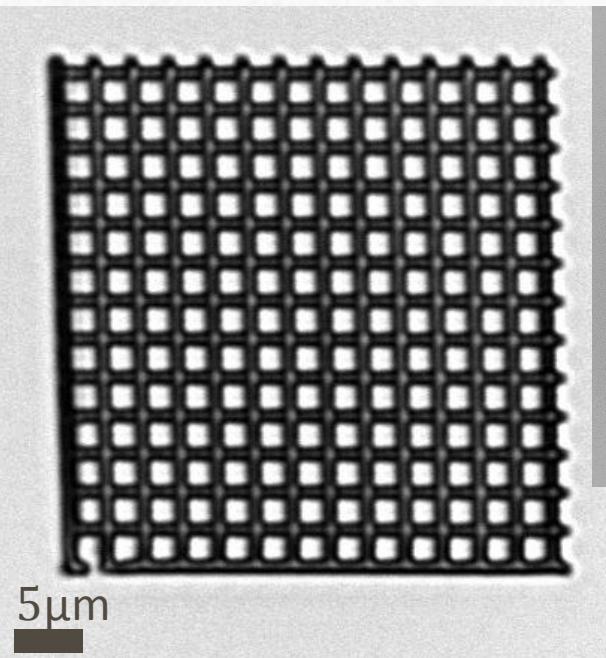
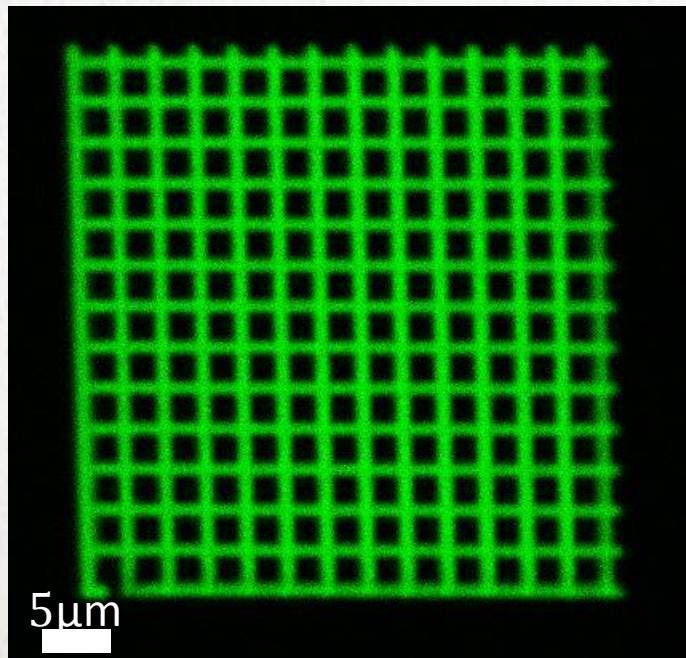


## TWO-PHOTON CROSSLINKING (TPC), TRACK 2

- Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA) and Rose Bengal (RB)

*Source Working wavelengths; 800nm*

RB excitation band 514nm.  
Following rule of  $\lambda/0.7$  the two-photon peak locates exactly at 800nm



$$E_{RB} = 820 \pm 300 \text{ kPa}$$

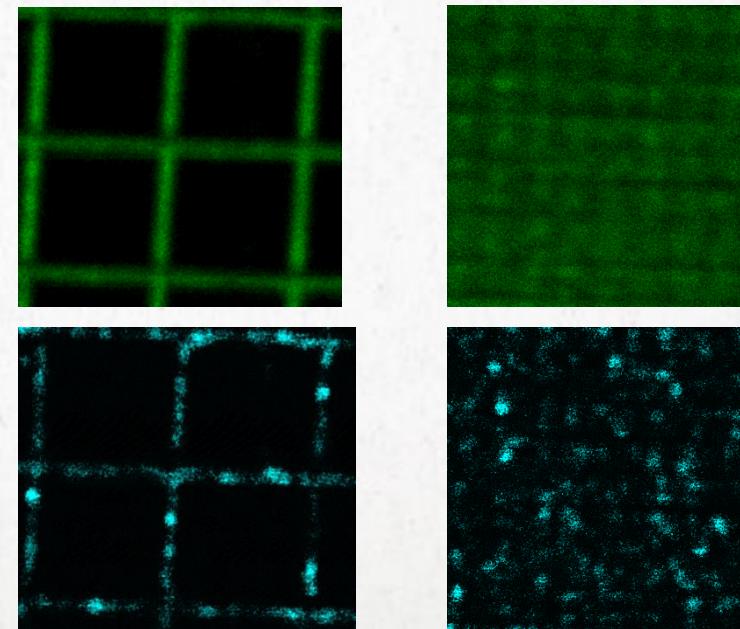
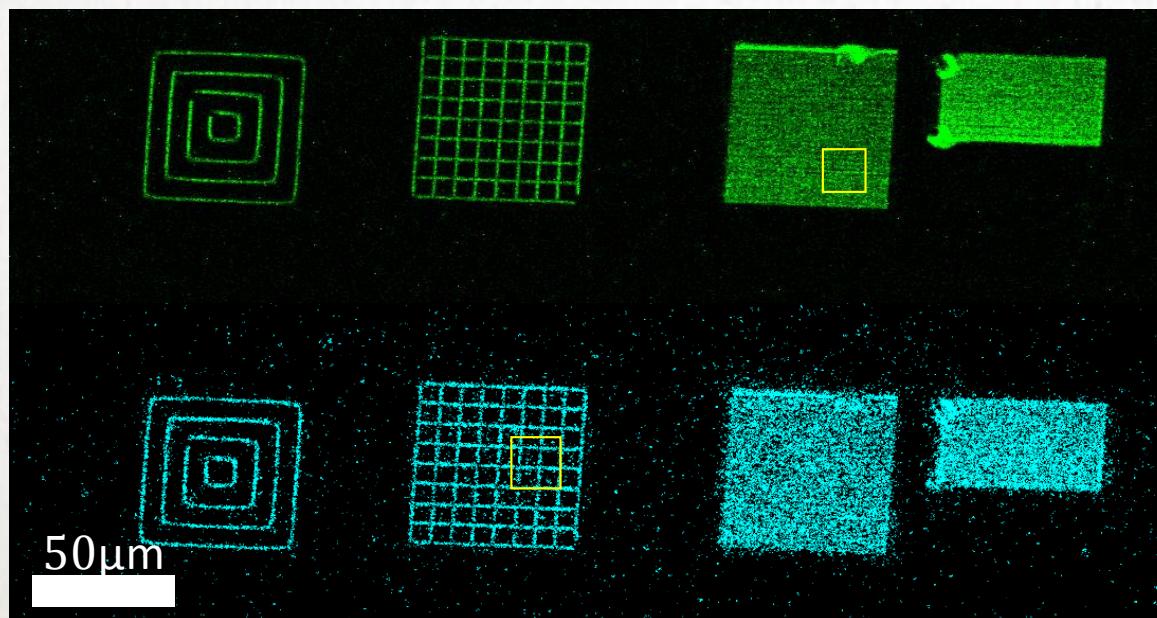


# TWO-PHOTON CROSSLINKING (TPC), TRACK 3

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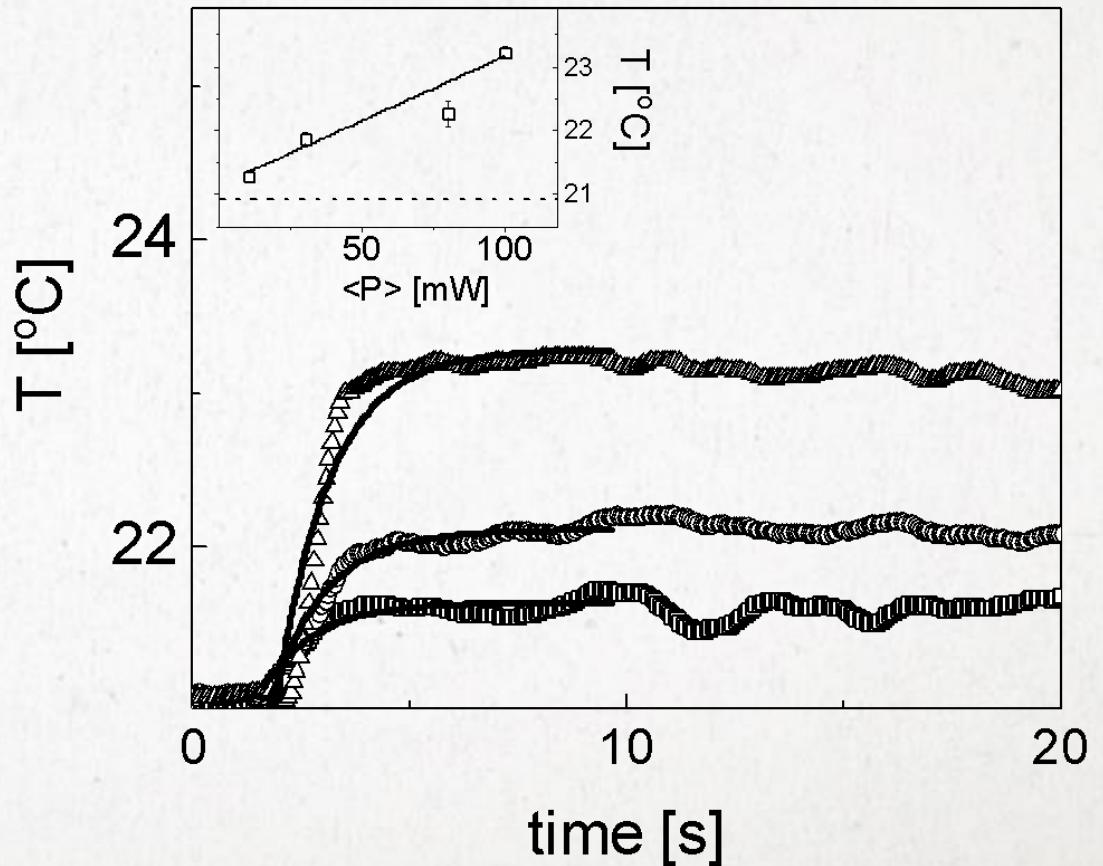
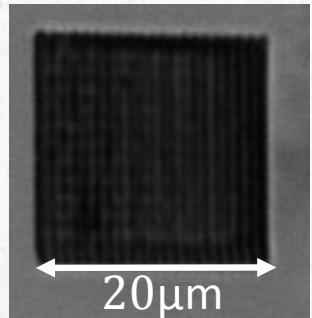
- Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA), Rose Bengal (RB), and Gold Nanoparticles (GNS)

(A2) *Green channel (RB emission 550nm) – Cyan channel (GNS Two-photon luminescence)*



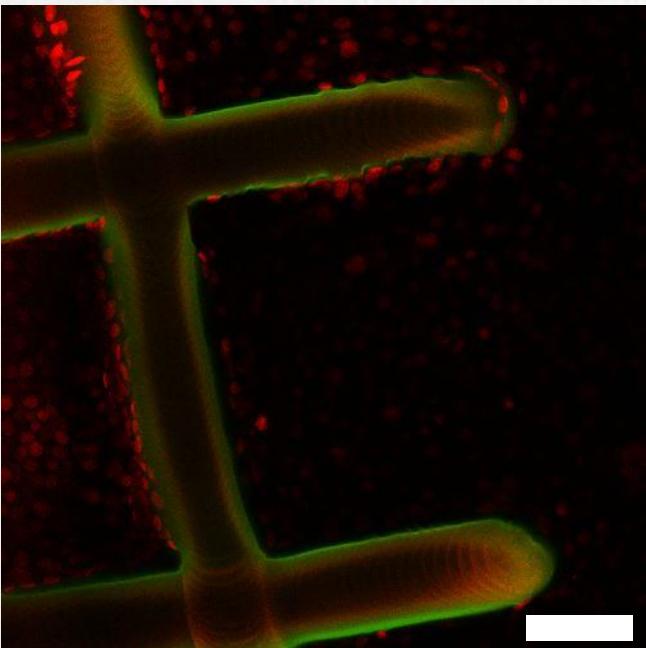
# PHOTO-THERMAL EFFECT

- Tested on a uniform filled BSA/RB/GNS
- Under continuous irradiation of NIR pulsed laser (800nm)
- $\langle P \rangle$  up triangles = 100mW
- $\langle P \rangle$  circles = 80mW
- $\langle P \rangle$  squares = 30mW

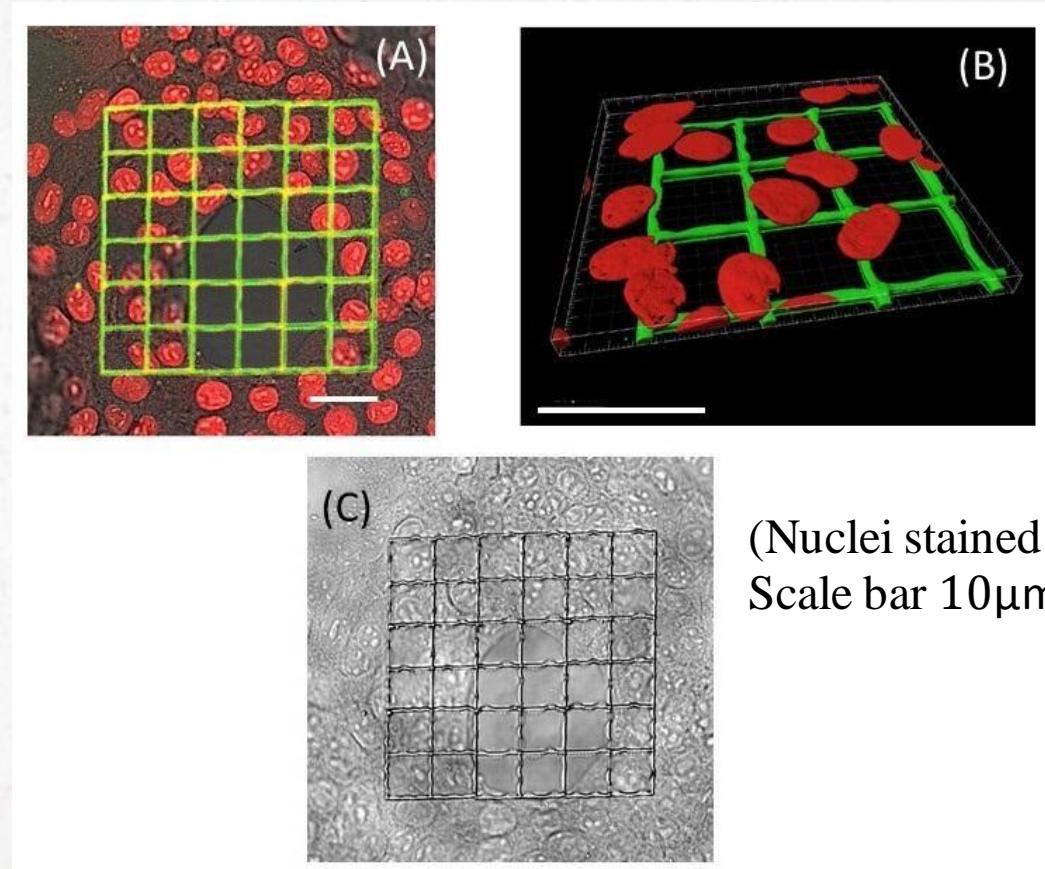


Recording device was a FLIR E40 thermocamera

# ONGOING AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVES



NIH 3T3 fibroblasts cell line  
[Propidium iodide; red fluorescence  
Rose Bengal; green channel]  
Scale bar 50 $\mu$ m



The triple negative breast cancer 4T1



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