



Sandia MEMS + Nano

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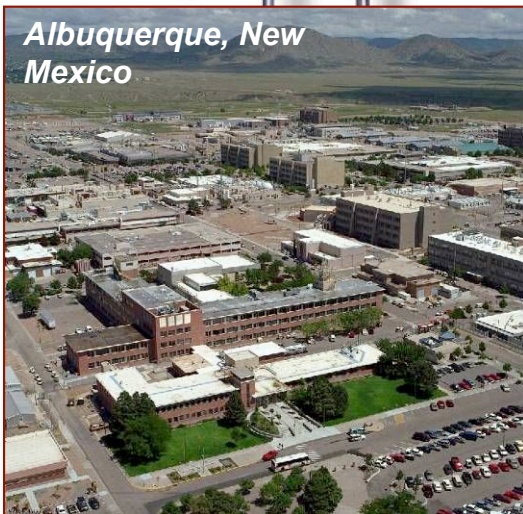




Sandia National Laboratories



- **Founded in 1949**
- **Major sites: Albuquerque, NM & Livermore, CA**
- **2.5 B\$ Budget in 2005**
- **Managed by Lockheed Martin for US NNSA**
- **8,500 Employees with 1,500 PhDs**
- **Missions**
 - **Nuclear Weapons**
 - **Defense Systems and Assessments**
 - **Energy, Resources and Nonproliferation**
 - **Homeland Security**
 - **Science, Technology & Engineering**



Albuquerque, New Mexico



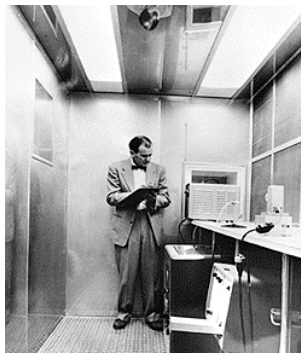
Sandia's Microsystems Activities



- **Research-to-Development-to-Application in all areas of microsystems**
- **Major microelectronic & microsystem facilities**
- **Most advanced microelectronics and microsystems capability within the government**
- **Goal is to provide a differentiating strength to Sandia's national security business areas**

Sandia Has a Long History In Microelectronics and Microsystems

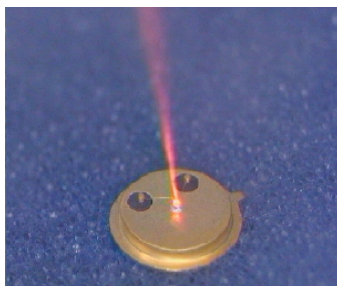
**Laminar Flow
Clean Room**



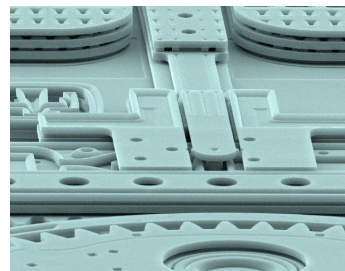
**Design/Build
Galileo ICs**



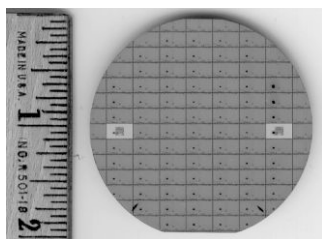
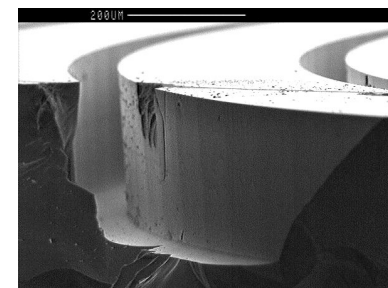
**High Efficiency
VCSEL**



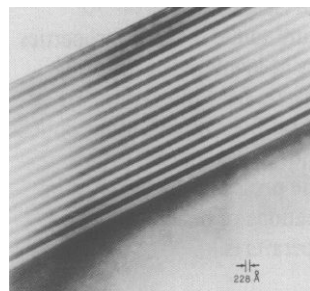
**5-Level
Surface
Micromachining**



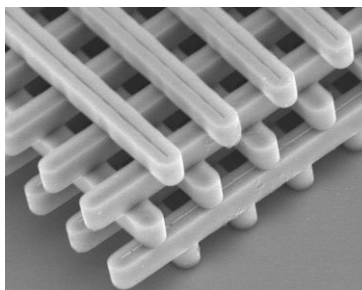
**Chem Lab
on a Chip**



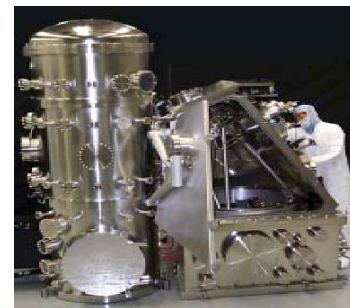
**Radiation
Hardened
CMOS**



**Strained-layer
Superlattices**



**Photonic
Lattice**



**Extreme
Ultra Violet
Lithography**



**3-D
Microsystems
Integration**

1960s

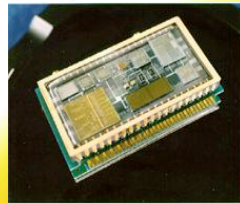
2000s



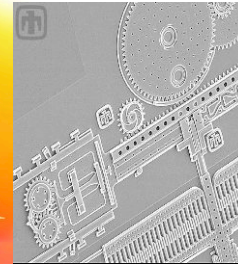
**Sandia
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Laboratories**

The Fusion of Microsystems and Engineering Science Spawns New Science, New Industry, New Tools for National Security

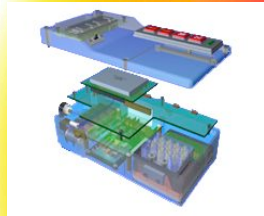
Micro-Navigator



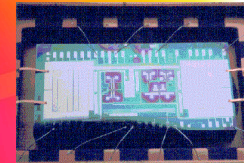
Micro-Lock



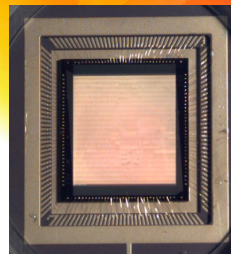
μ ChemLab



Integrated Chemical Sensor



Micromachined Diffraction Grating



Micro-Robot



Science,
Technology &
Engineering

Science

Core

Energy Resources
and Nonproliferation

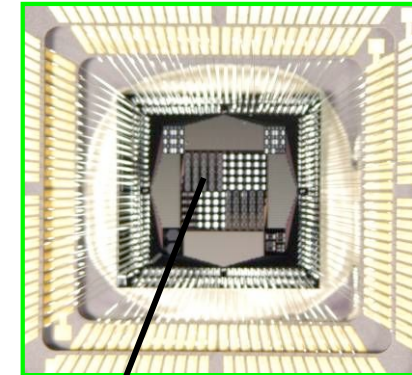
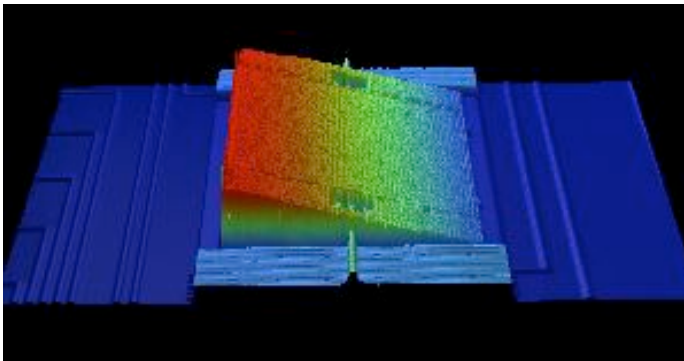
Nuclear
Weapons

Defense Systems
and Assessments



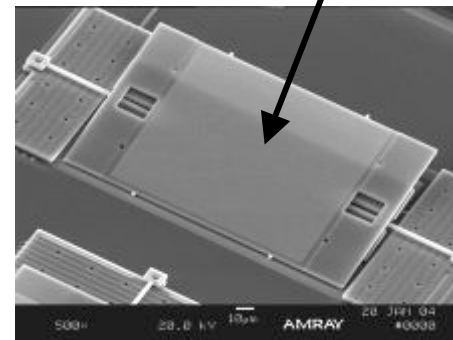
Sandia Beamformer Technologies

- **MEMS enabled free space optical implementation of long delays offers highest payoff**
 - Most hardware compressive
 - Optical paths share same volume
 - <6dB for 10-bit dc-20GHz, 0.3-30ns
- **Demonstrated performance**
 - ~ 20 ms switching
 - Tilt angle $\pm 10^\circ$
 - 10^9 cycles without failure on packaged arrays



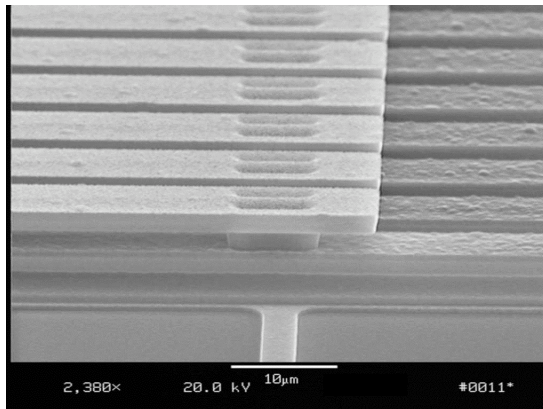
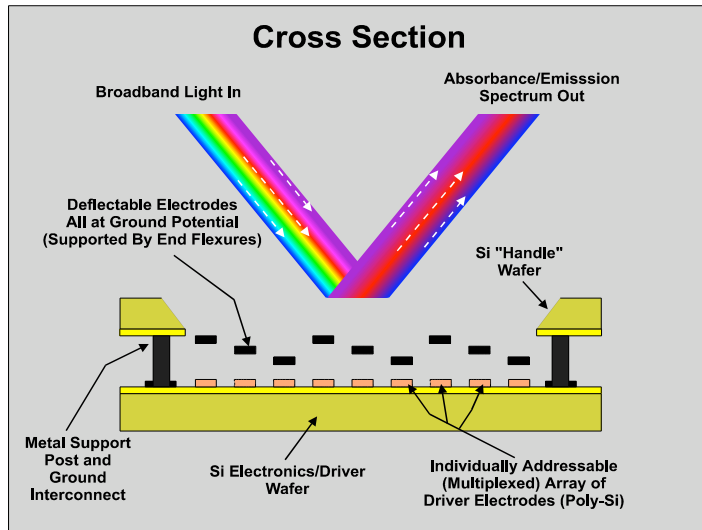
10x10 White Cell
Mirror Array

SEM of Mirror Element



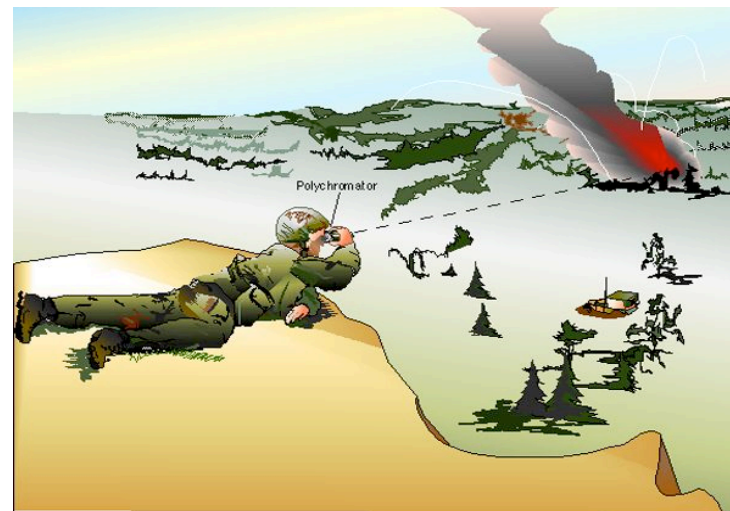
Delivered Hardware

Polychromator for Remote Chemical Detection



Micromachined Diffraction Grating

- Optical correlation spectrometer identifies spectral components
- Reference spectrum generated by an aperiodic diffraction grating
- Generate arbitrary reference spectra using electrically adjustable diffractors

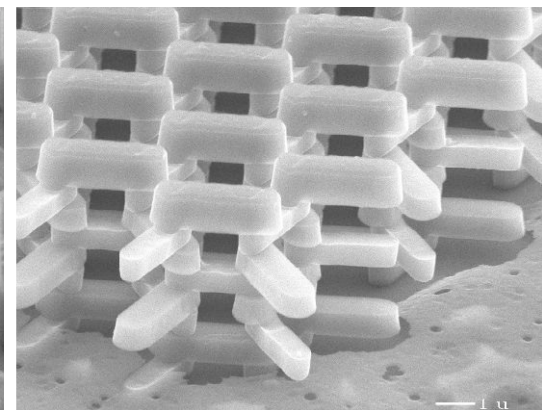
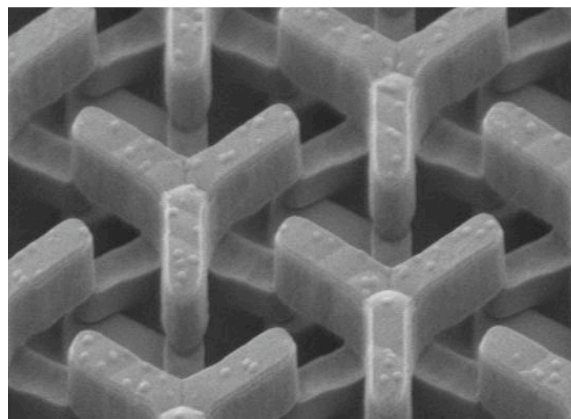
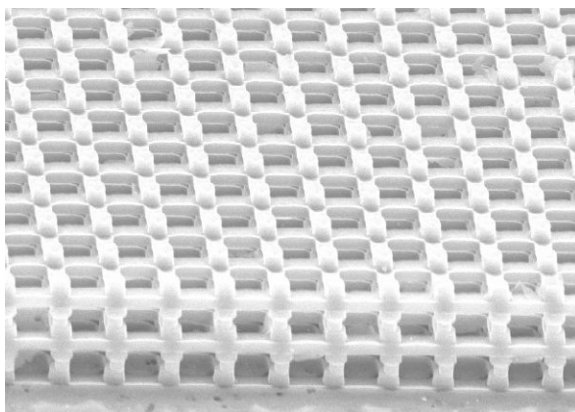
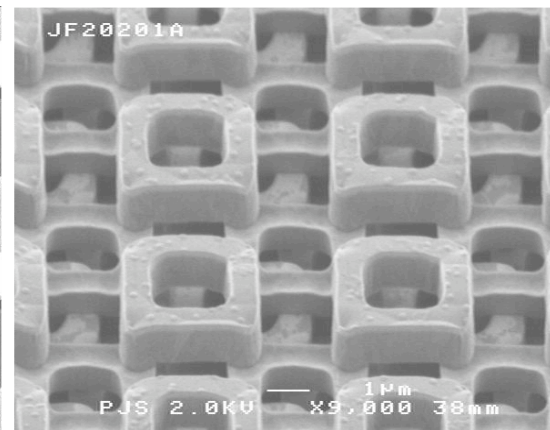
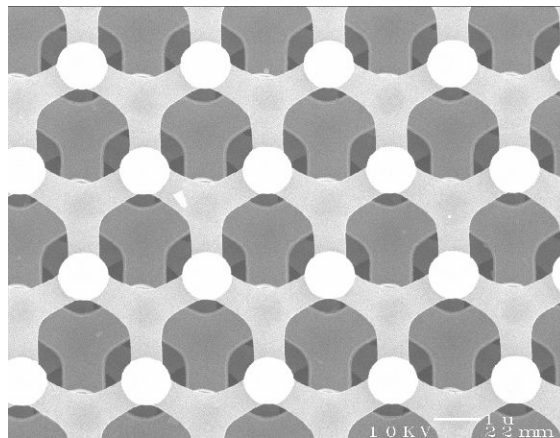
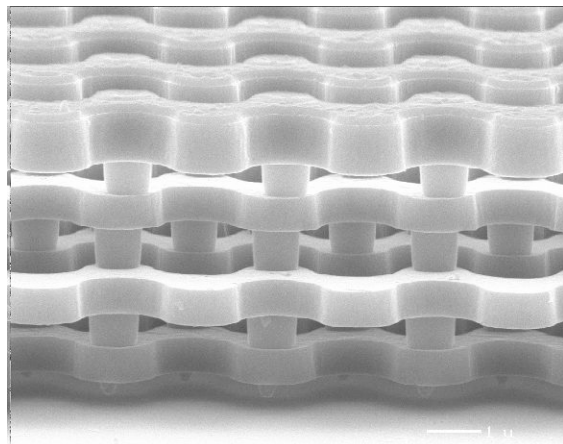


Our Vision: Remote Chemical Sensing in a Hand-Held Package



Sandia Photonic Lattice Structures

- Sandia's unique silicon semiconductor based microsystem fabrication enables a wide range of photonic bandgap structures

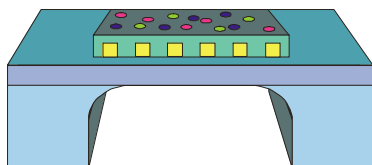


Gas-Phase μ ChemLab™

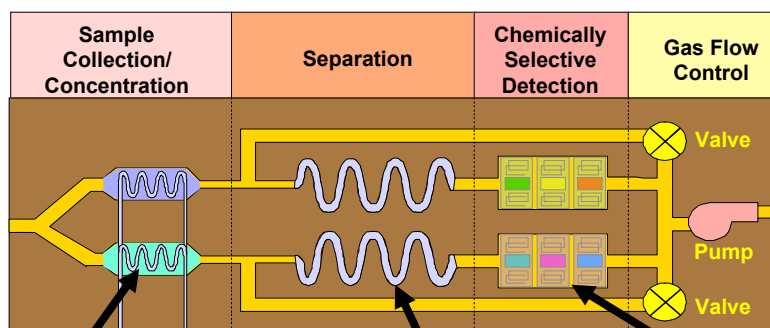
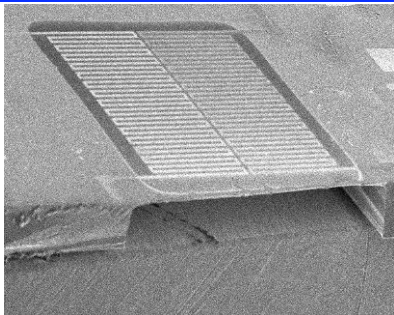
Hand-held chemical analysis system that uses three microfabricated stages.



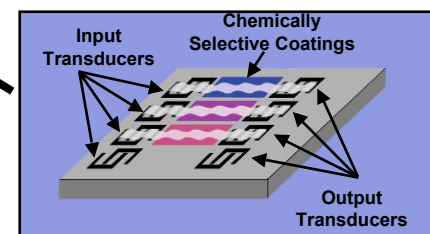
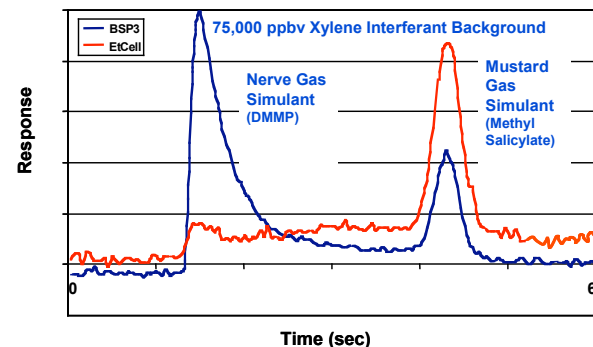
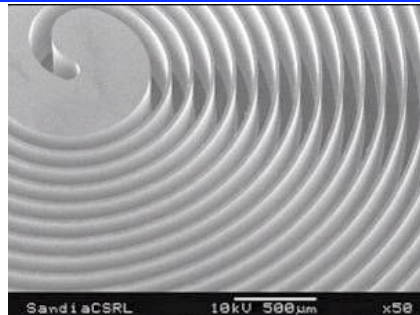
- 8"x4"x2"
- 2 min. analysis
- 4W max. power



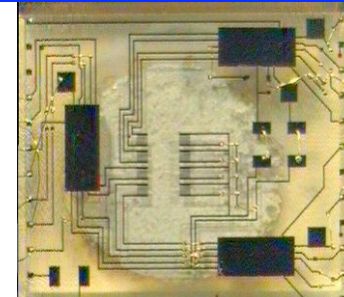
Preconcentrator accumulates species of interest



Gas Chromatograph separates species in time



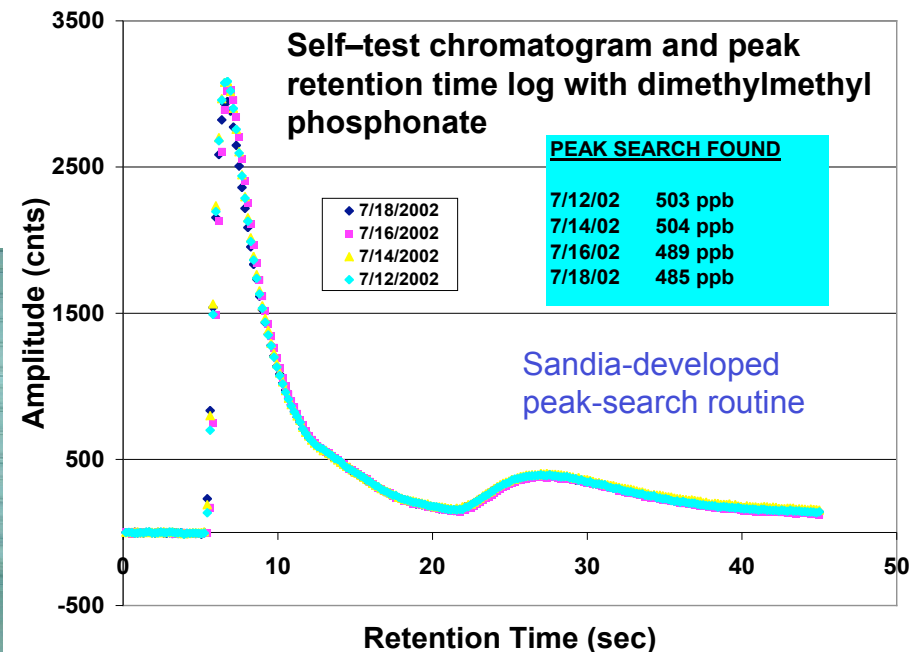
Acoustic Sensors provide sensitive detection



μ ChemLab™ Systems Installed In Test Beds – Airports & Subways

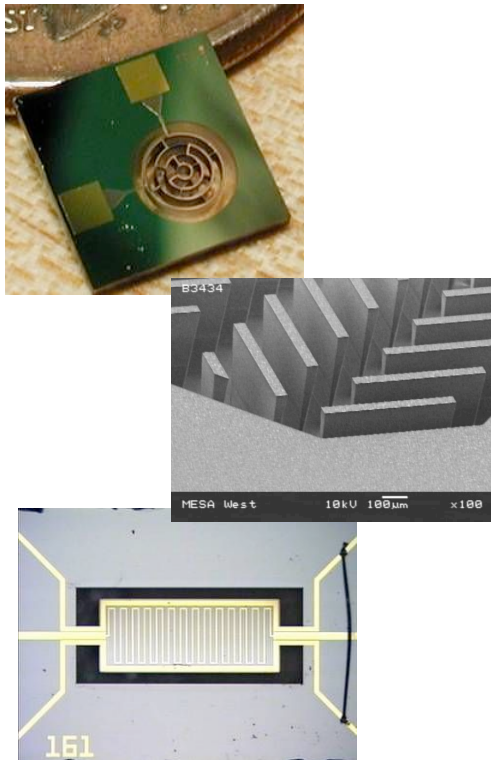


- Improved temperature control
- Durable pumps
- Gas chromatograph for false positive reduction
- Flexible method development
- Test results show analyses are very stable



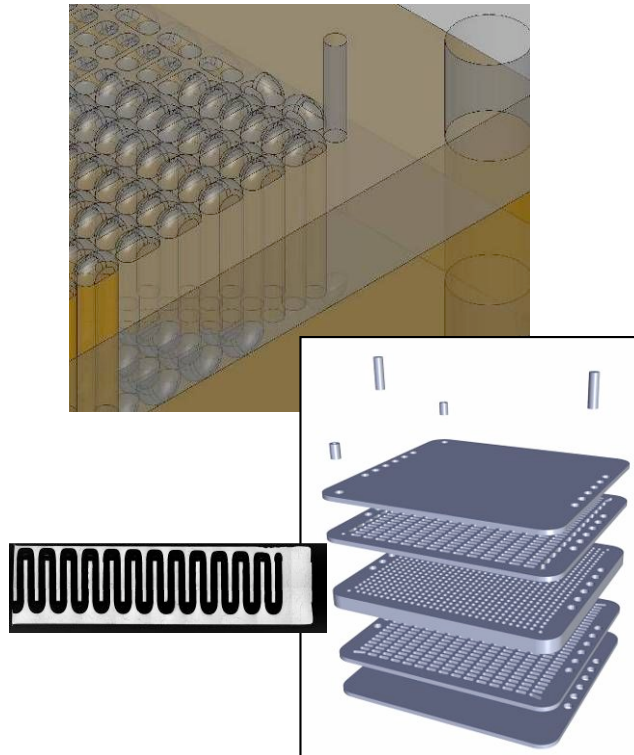
Next-Generation Systems

Preconcentration



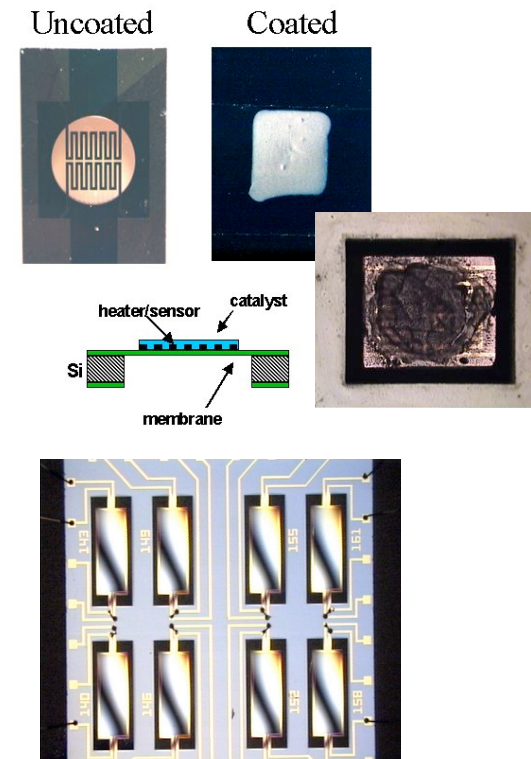
- New, higher surface area preconcentrators for more efficient collection
- “Smart” preconcentrator weighs sample collected

Separation



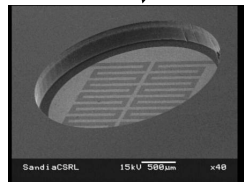
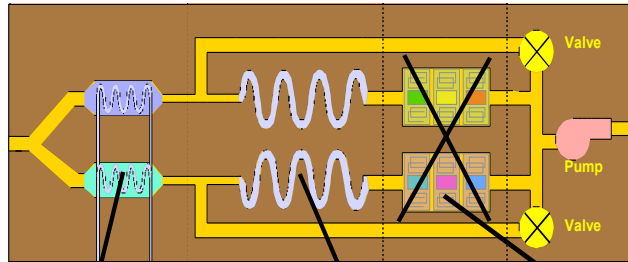
- New nickel chromatography columns formed using LIGA processing

Detection

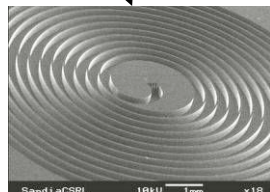


- Micro nitrogen-phosphorous detector detects compounds with N and P with 1000X greater sensitivity over hydrocarbons

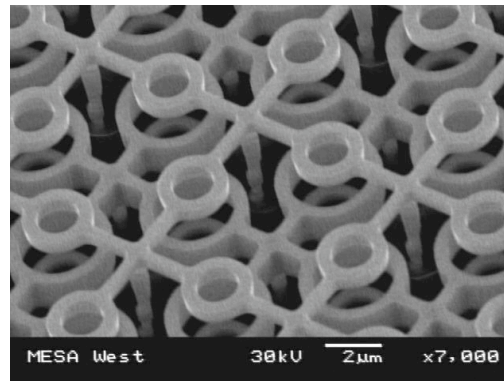
Towards a Micro-Gas Chromatograph & Micro-Mass Spectrometer System



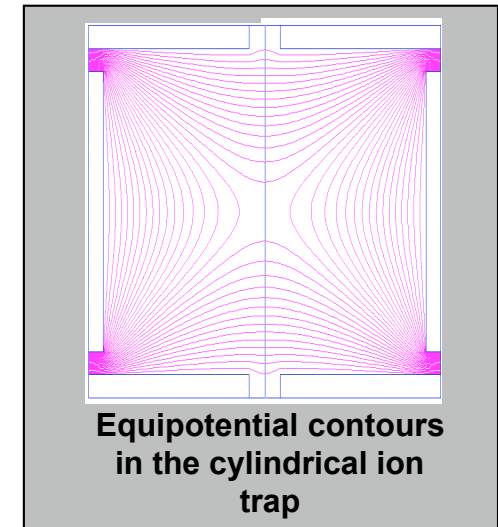
micro-hotplate
preconcentrator



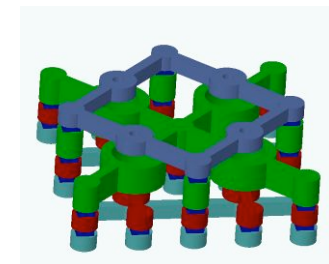
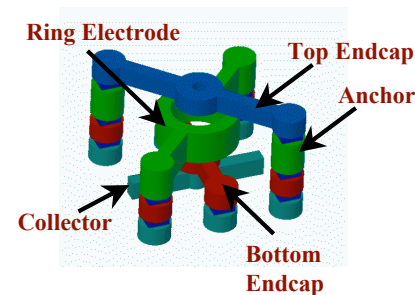
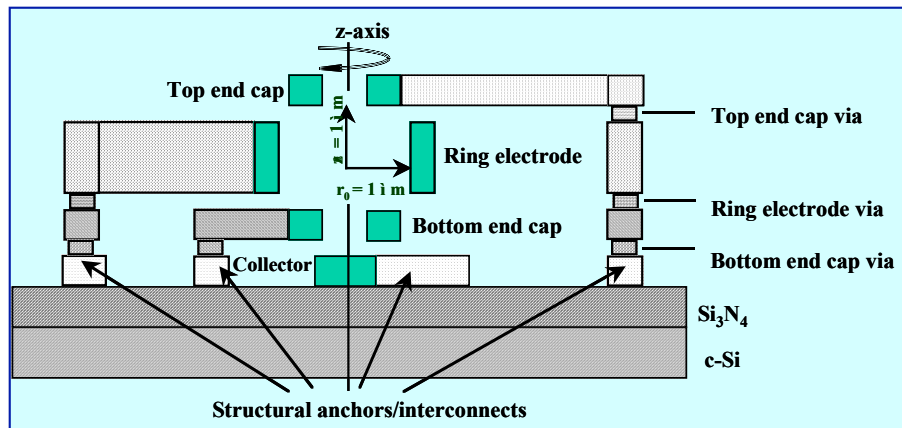
micro-gas
chromatograph



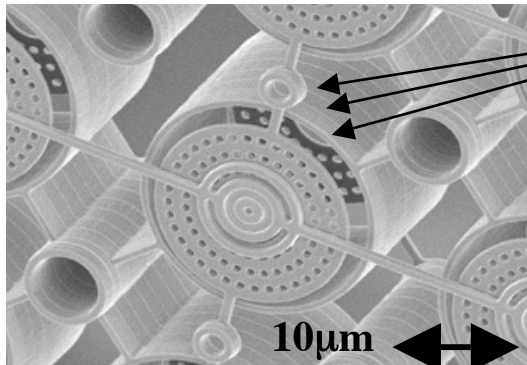
micro-cylindrical ion trap arrays



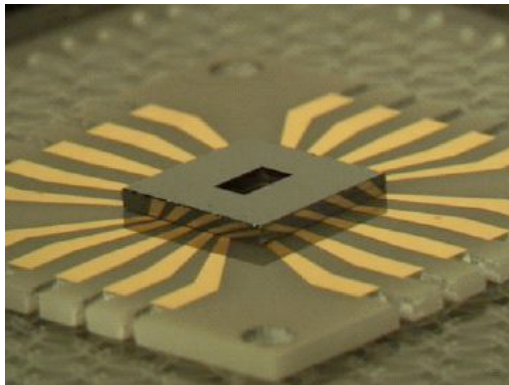
Equipotential contours
in the cylindrical ion
trap



Ion Trap Chips for Quantum Computing

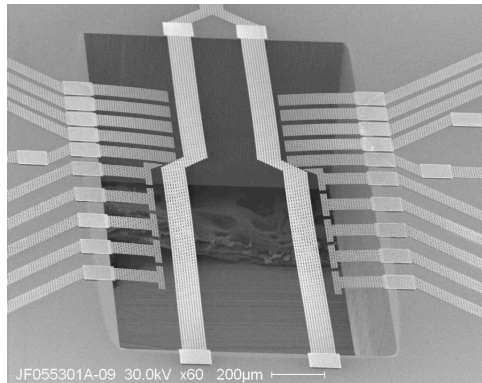


Portion of Array of 1,000,000
Cylindrical Ion Traps



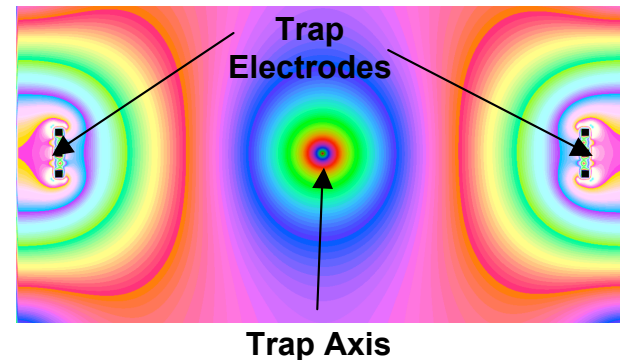
Ion Trap Chip Packaged
with AlN Carrier

Differentiating Technology – All tungsten layer-by-layer processing developed at the MDL



Segmented Linear Traps of Two Sizes
With Thru Chip Optical Access

Simulated Trap Performance

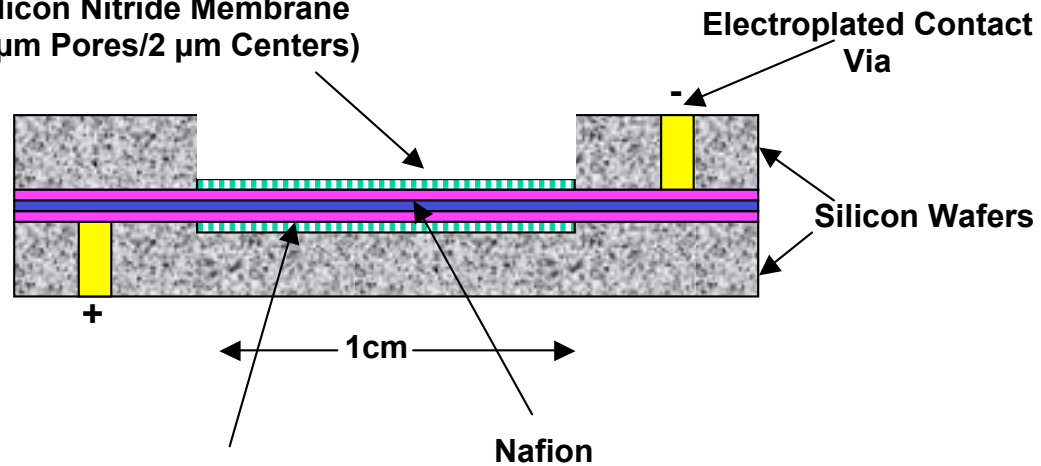


Enabling Capability – Multiphysics modeling of trap performance for design optimization.

Breakthrough Result – Sandia has the only scalable, 3-D monolithic approach to fabricating an ion trap based quantum computer with a useful size

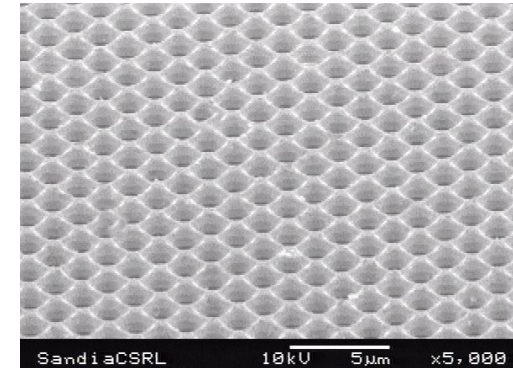
Micro Fuel Cell Technology

Silicon Nitride Membrane
(1 μ m Pores/2 μ m Centers)

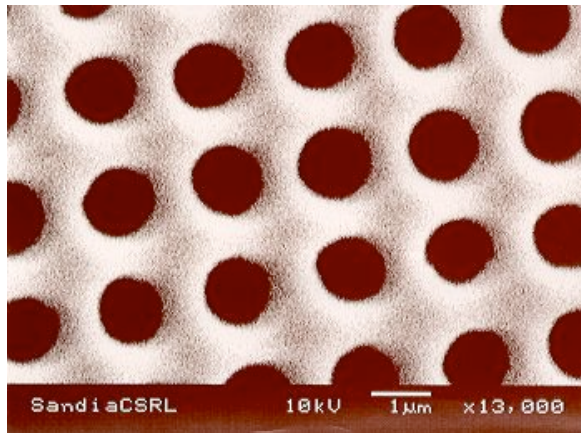


Platinum catalyst

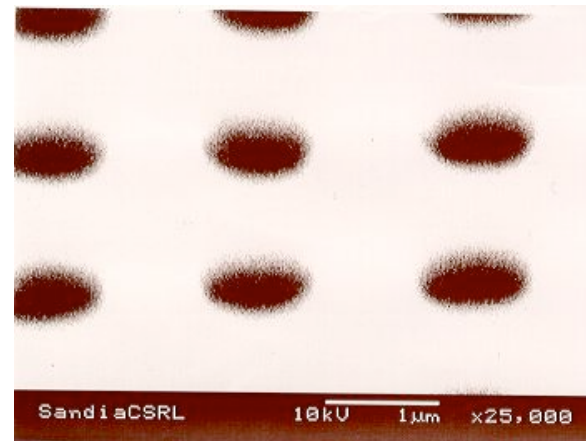
Silicon Nitride Membrane with 1 μ m Pores and Gold Coating



Lithographically Defined 1 μ m Pores on a 1 μ m Thick, 1cm² Silicon Nitride Membrane



Plan view of 1 μ m pores

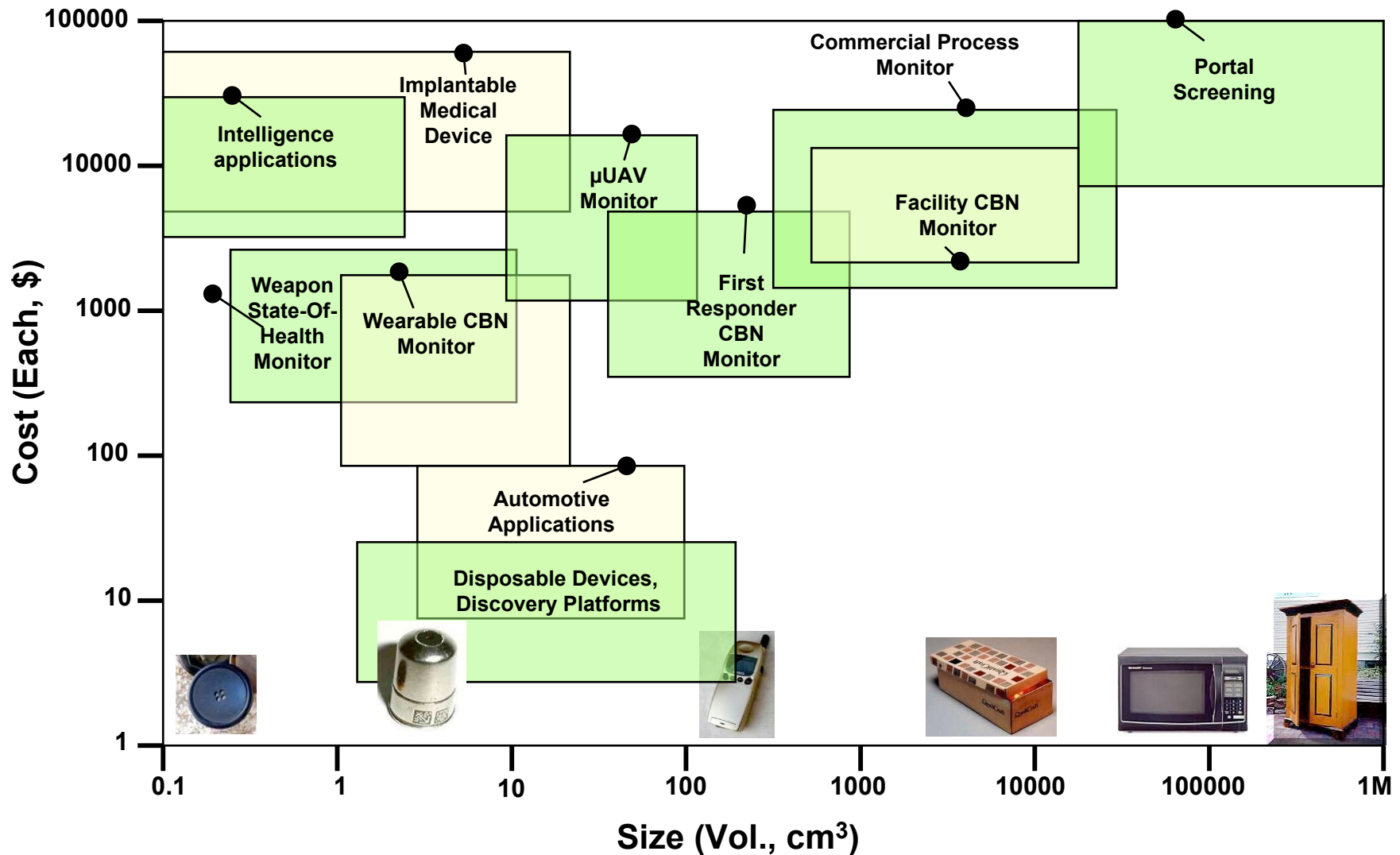


View of pores at approx. 45 deg angle



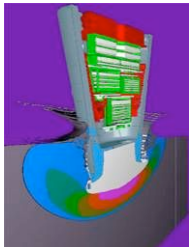
Opportunities for Microsystems

“There’s plenty of room at the bottom”—R. Feynman



MESA Provides Top Facilities and Equipment For Microsystems Design, Fabrication and Test

**\$400M including
> 50% equipment
and cleanrooms**

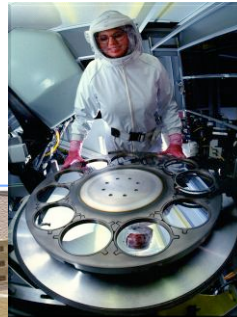


**Adv.
Computation**

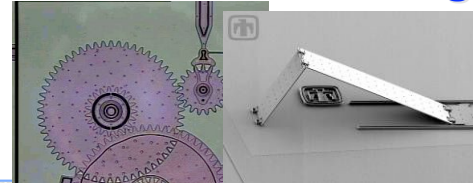


**Packaging and
Qualification**

Microfabrication

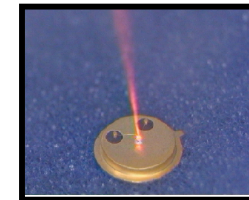


Si Micromachining



Photonics

**III-V
Semiconductors**



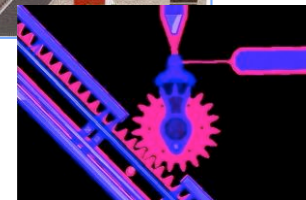
Nanotechnology



**3-D design,
modeling/simul**



**650 people
380,000 sq ft**



**Sandia
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Partnering is essential to our success



- **Microsystems Center has been actively engaged with the external community**
- **R&D Partnerships**
- **MESA Institute**
- **Micro-Nano coupling with the DOE Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT)**
- **Samples Program**
 - Access to advanced surface micromachining
 - University licensing of MEMS course material and design tools