



Wetting – a multiscale phenomenon



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Gao



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Papadopoulos



Deng



Schellenberger

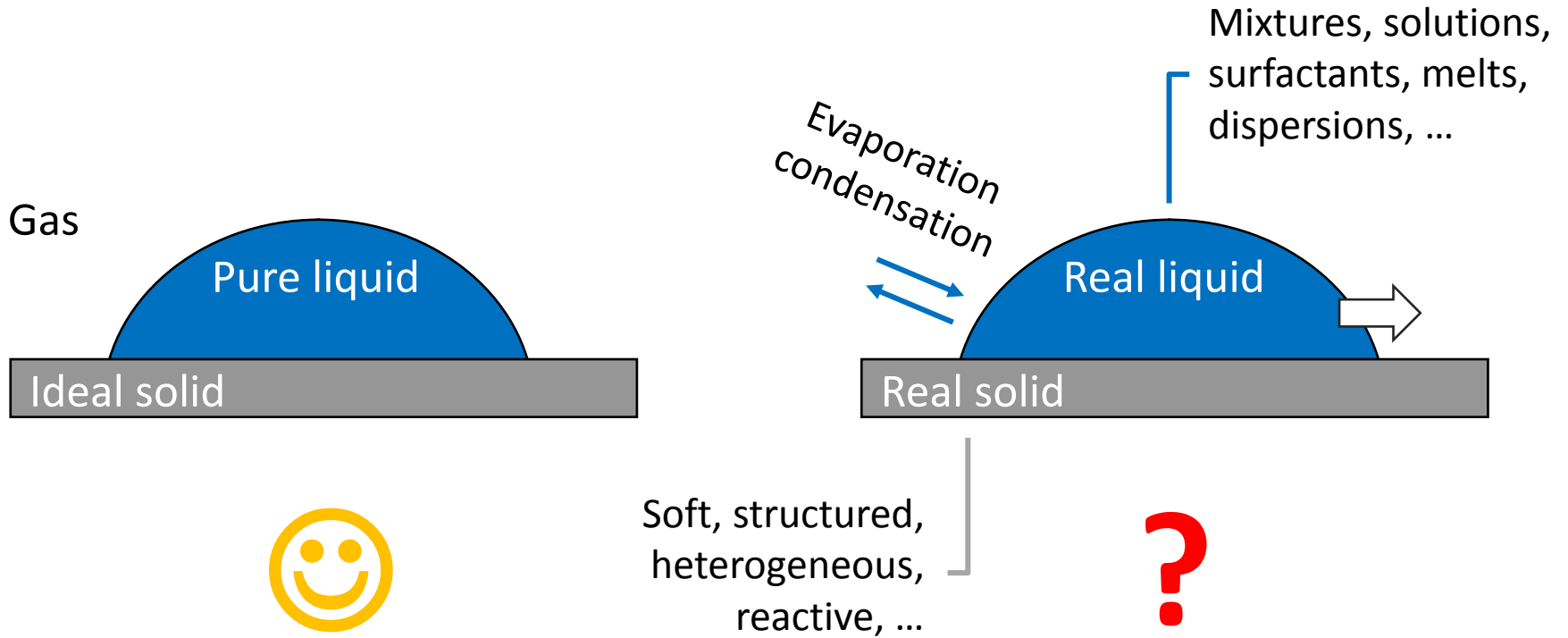


D'Acunzi



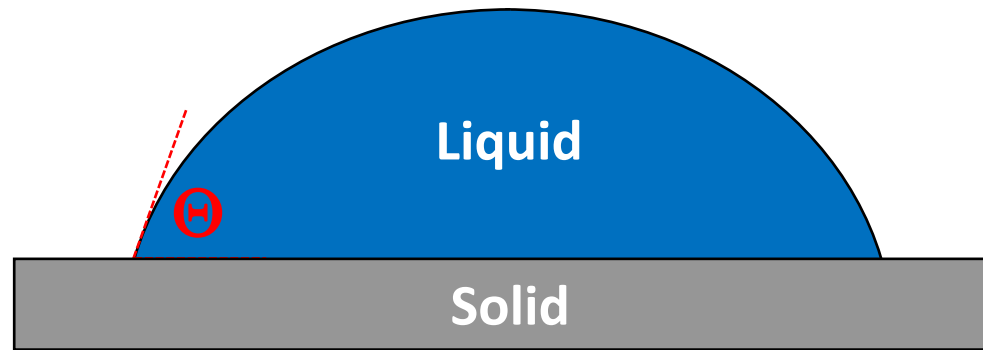
Berger

Wetting



Aim: Understand and control wetting

Young equation

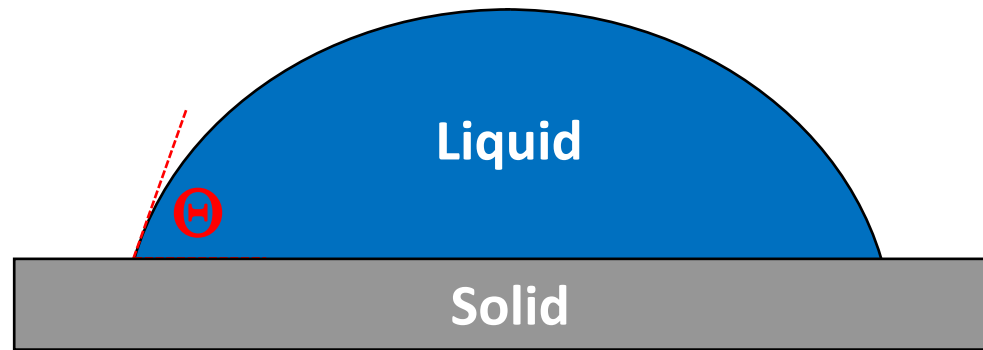


$$\gamma_L \cos \Theta = \gamma_S - \gamma_{SL}$$

Surface tension liquid \uparrow

\uparrow Interf. energy solid/liquid
 \uparrow Interf. energy solid/vapor

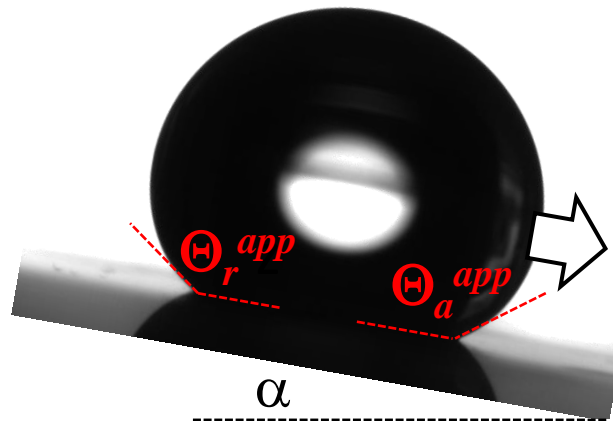
Contact angle hysteresis



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Advancing $\Theta_a^{app} \geq \dots \geq \Theta_r^{app}$ receding

Contact angle hysteresis



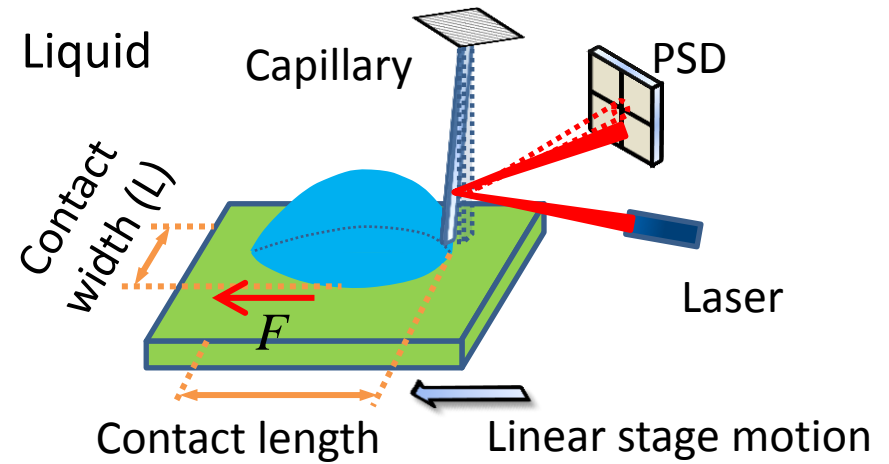
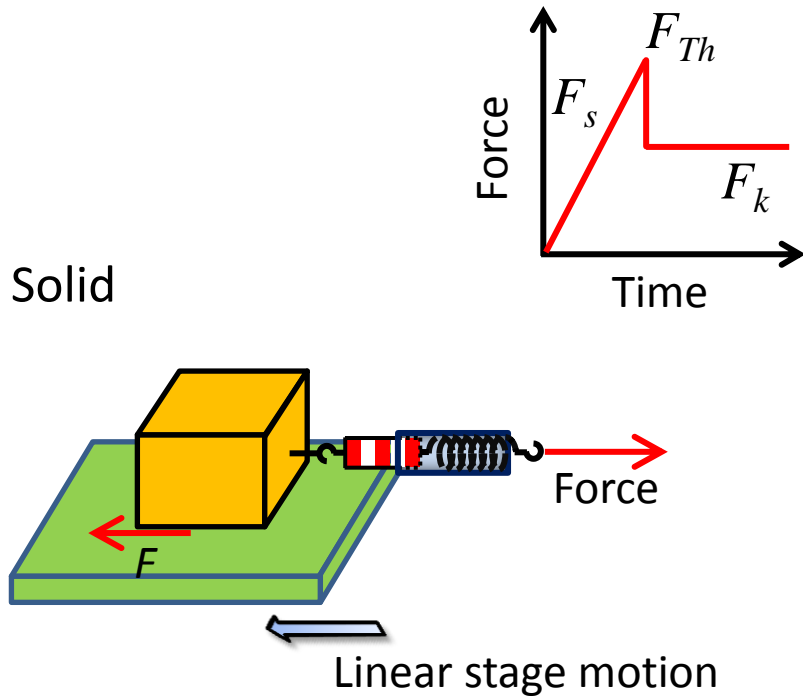
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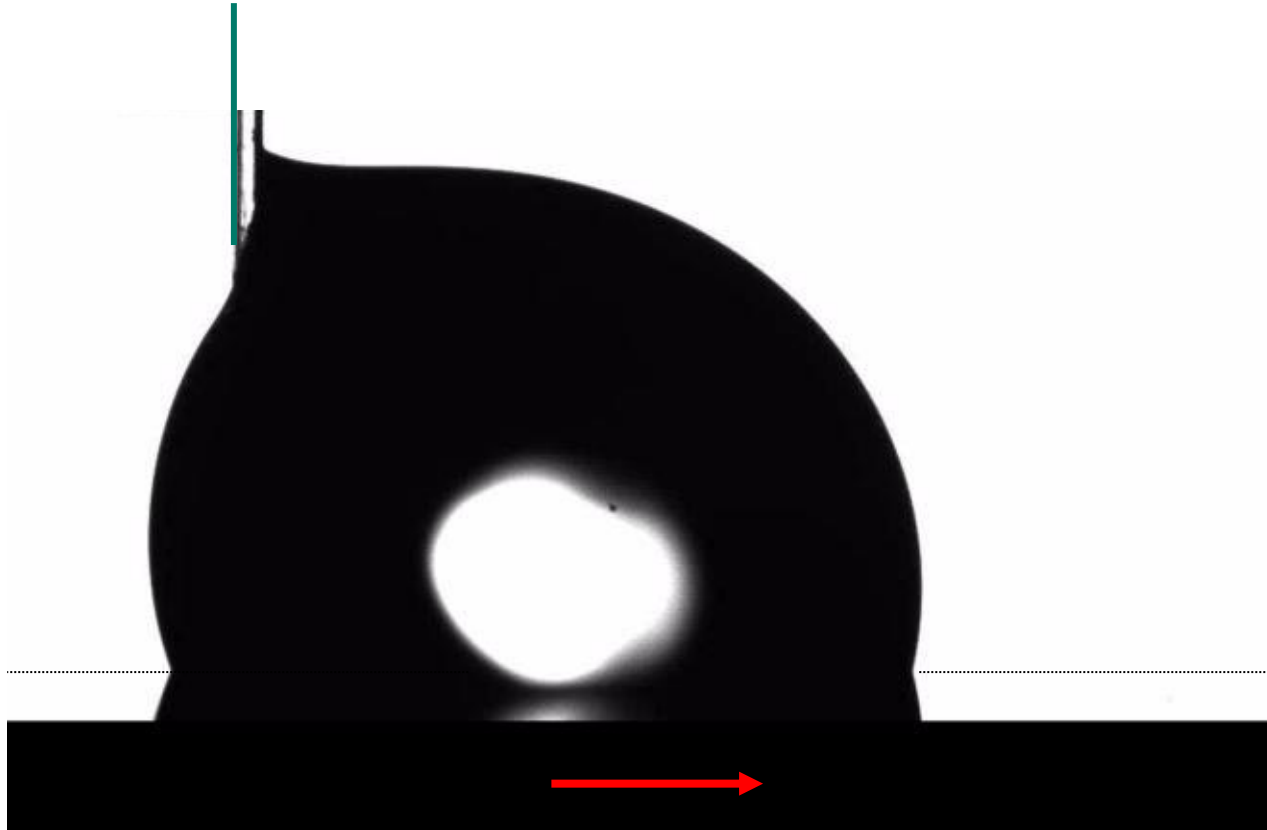
➔ Contact angle hysteresis is of fundamental importance

Furmidge, *J. Colloid Sci.* **1962**, *17*, 309; Yoshimitsu et al., *Langmuir* **2002**, *18*, 5818; Furmidge, *J. Colloid Sci.* **1962**, *17*, 309; ElSherbini & Jacobi, *J. Colloid Interface Sci.* **2006**, *299*, 841; Antonini, Carmona, Pierce, Marengo & Amirfazli, *Langmuir* **2009**, *25*, 6143.

Friction

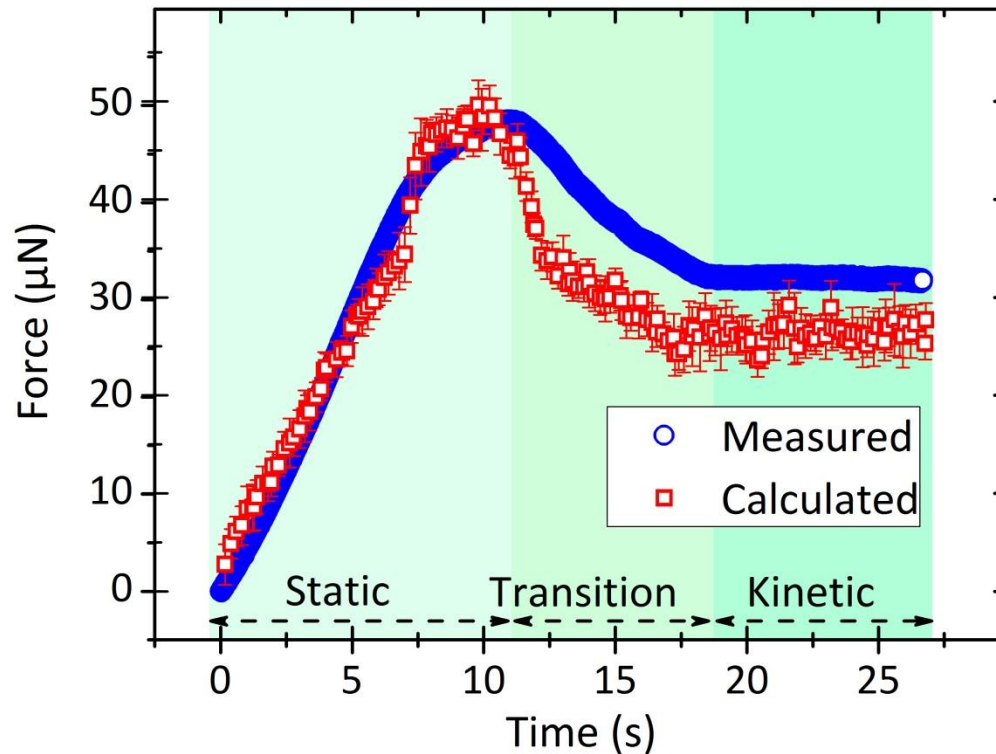


Lateral adhesion of drops



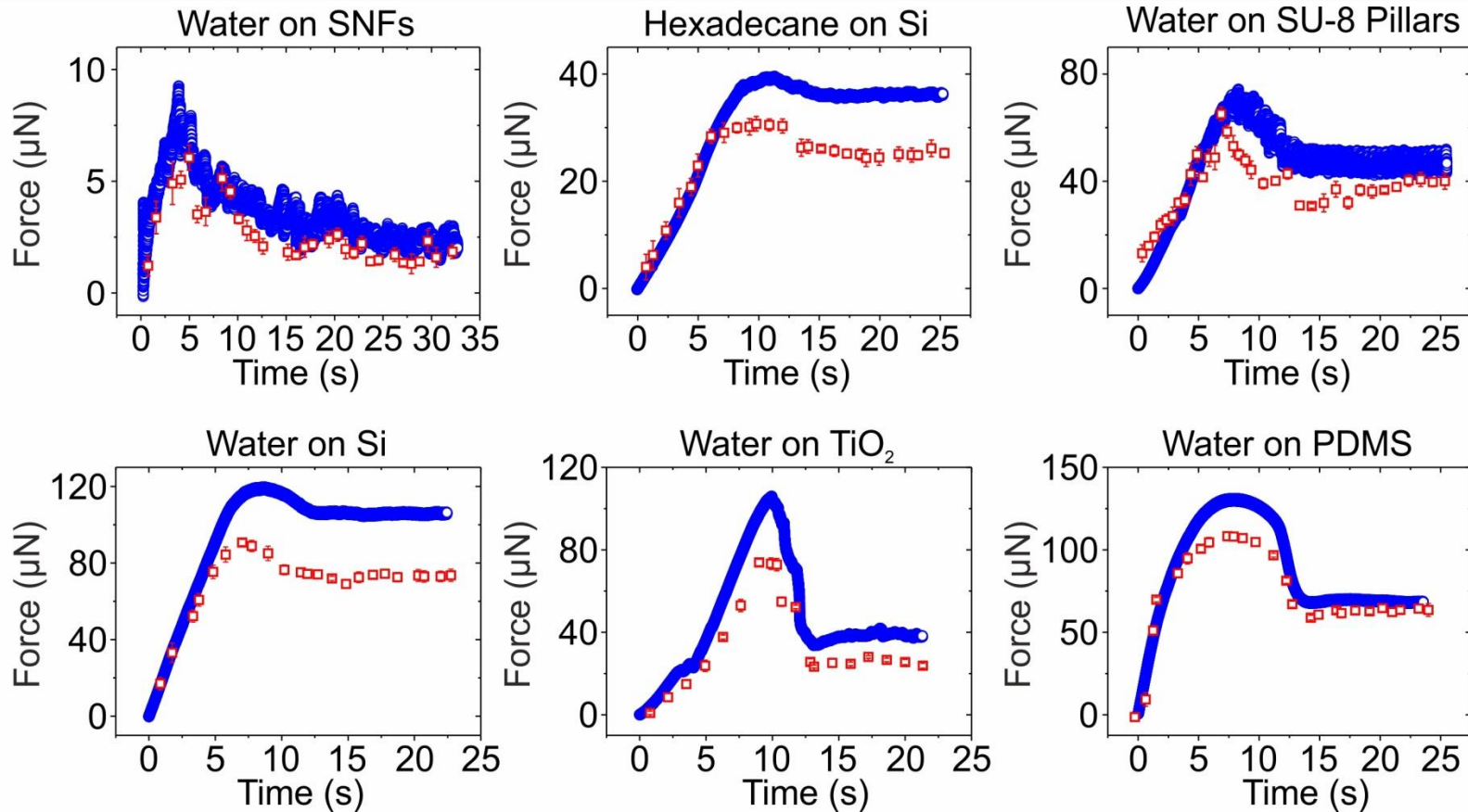
1.5 μL ionic liquid on a fluorinated silicon wafer at 0.2 mm/s
1-butyl-2,3-dimethylimidazolium bis(trifluoromethanesulfonyl)imide

Lateral adhesion of drops



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Lateral adhesion of drops



➔ Distinguish between static and kinetic friction

Liquid repellency



Superhydrophobic

Superhydrophobic surfaces



ROBERT N. WENZEL 1936
INDUSTRIAL AND ENGINEERING CHEMISTRY

**RESISTANCE OF SOLID SURFACES
TO WETTING BY WATER**

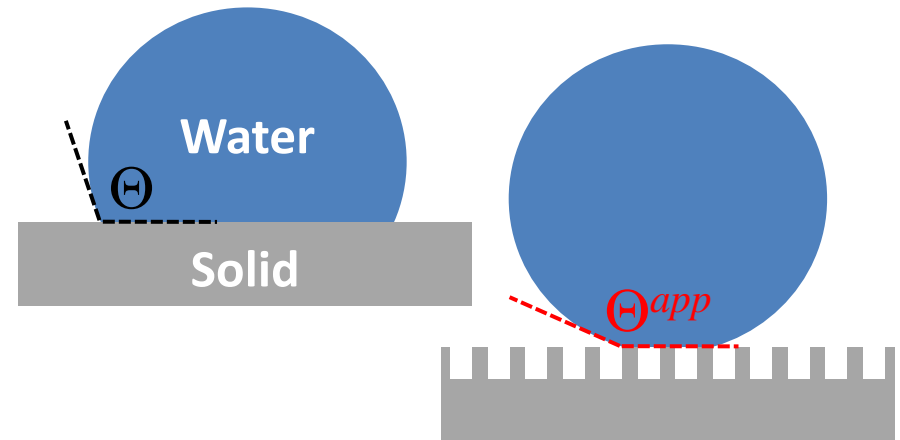
Hydrophobized
paper

	Contact Angle		
	Plate 1	Plate 2	Av.
	Degrees		
Mg stearate	145.9	140.6	143.2
Sn stearate	151.6	149.1	150.4
Ba stearate	152.5	157.2	154.8
Th stearate	158.8	159.4	159.1
Cd stearate	162.0	165.2	163.6
Zn stearate	162.9	170.1	166.5
Al stearate	169.4	170.8	170.1

Roughness

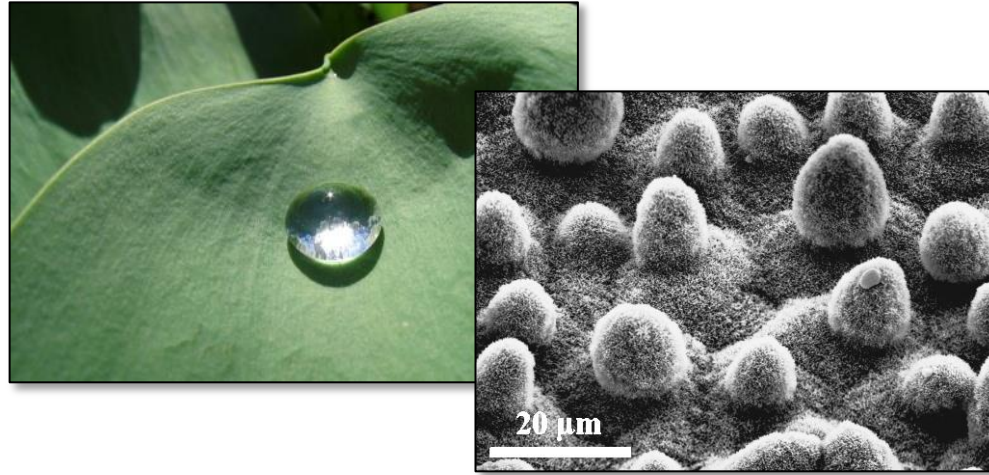
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S. BAXTER.

Large Contact Angles of Plant and Animal
Surfaces



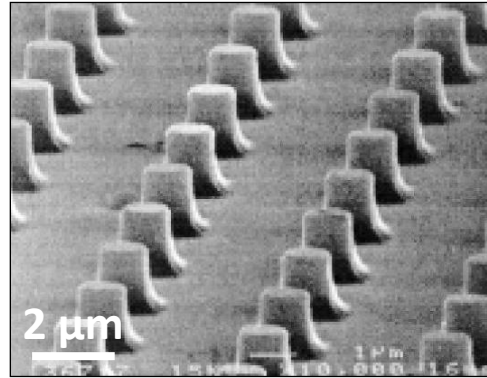
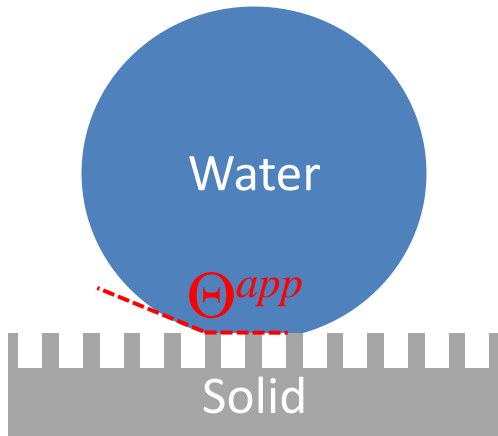
Entrapped air

Lotus leaf



Neinhuis & Barthlott, *Planta* 1997, 202, 1

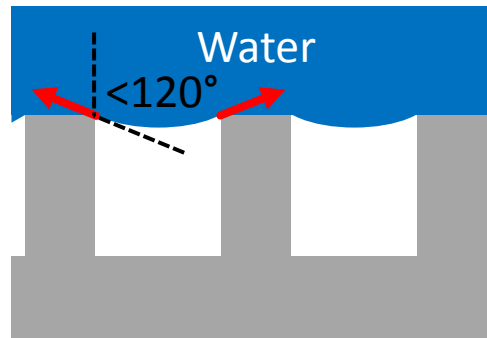
Superhydrophobic surfaces



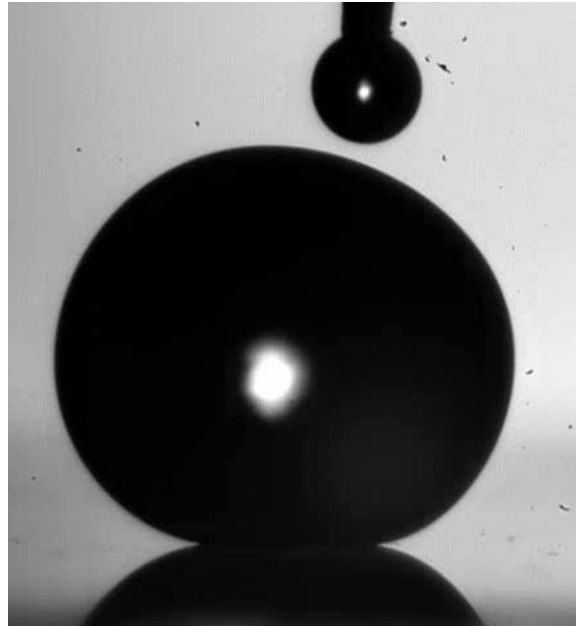
Bico et al., *EPL* 1999, 47, 220



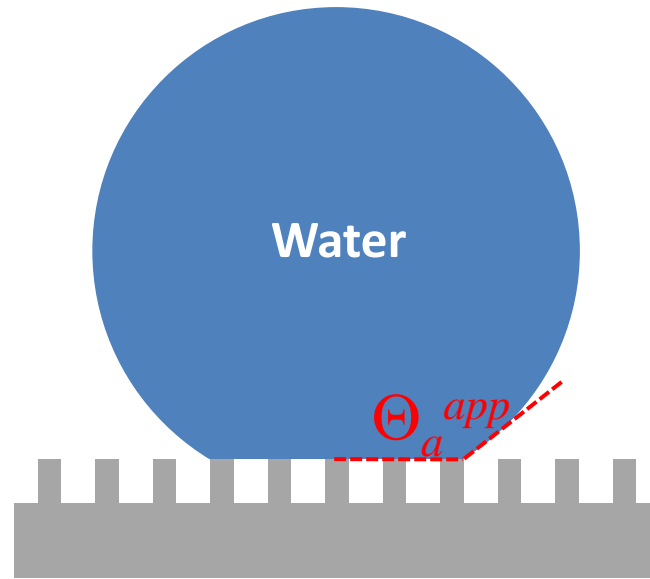
Surface tension



Superhydrophobic surface

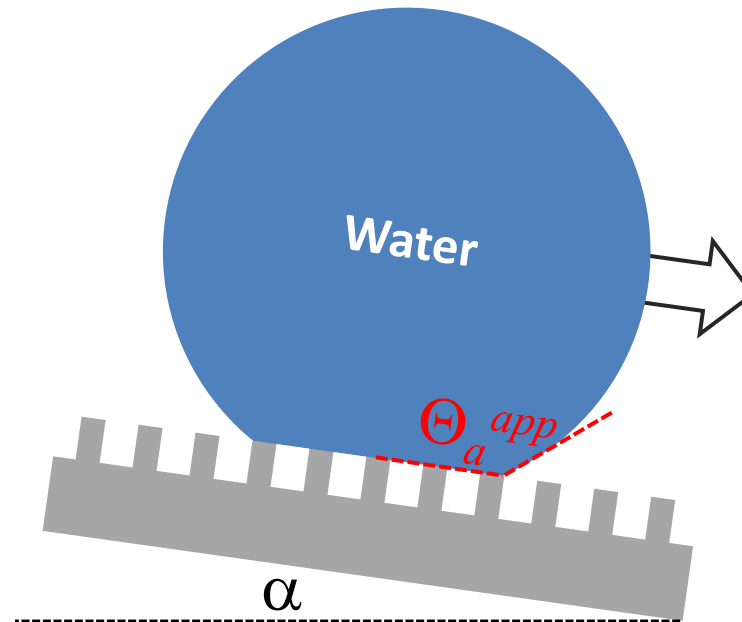


Superhydrophobic surface: Definition



$$\Theta_a^{app} \geq 150^\circ$$

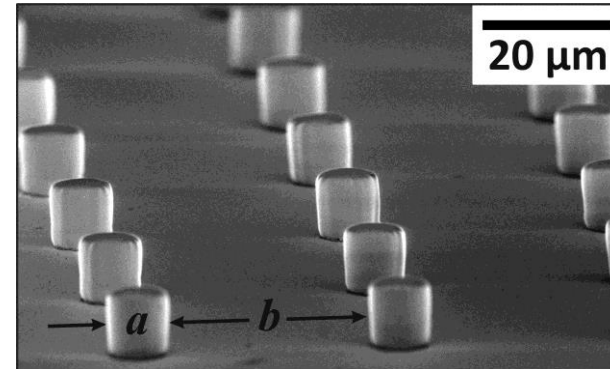
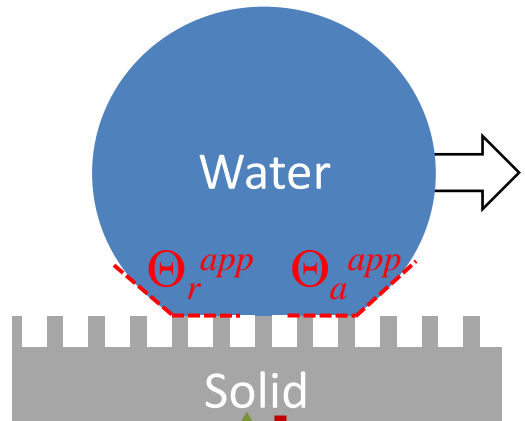
Superhydrophobic surface: Definition



$$\Theta_a^{app} \geq 150^\circ$$

$$\alpha \leq 10^\circ$$

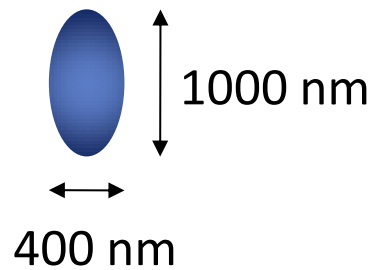
How does a drop advance and recede on superhydrophobic surfaces?



$a = 5-25 \mu\text{m}$, $b = 15-75 \mu\text{m}$

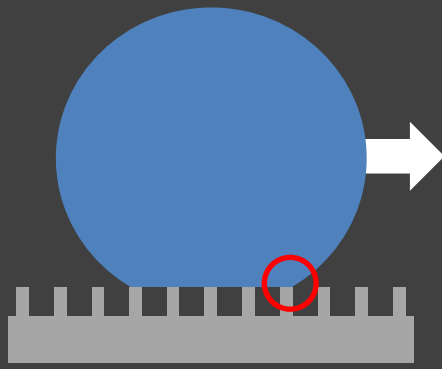


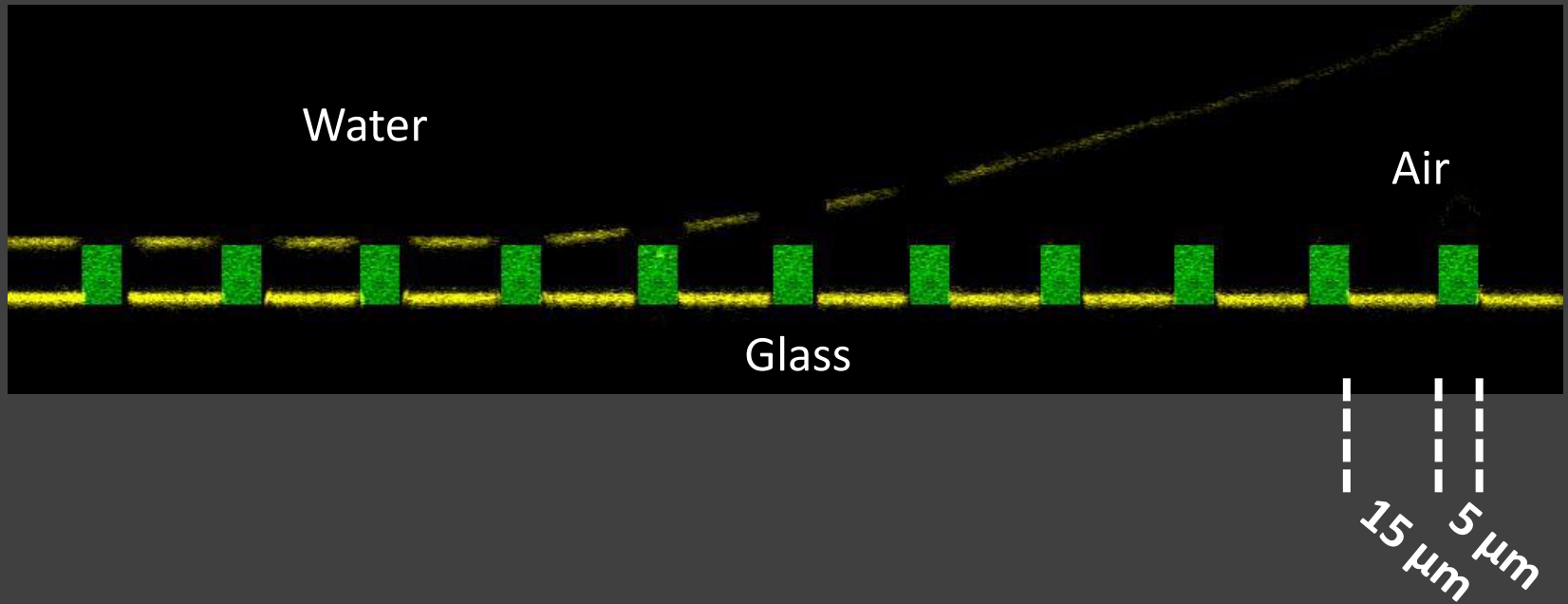
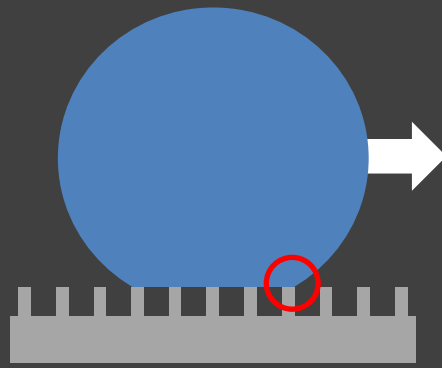
Resolution



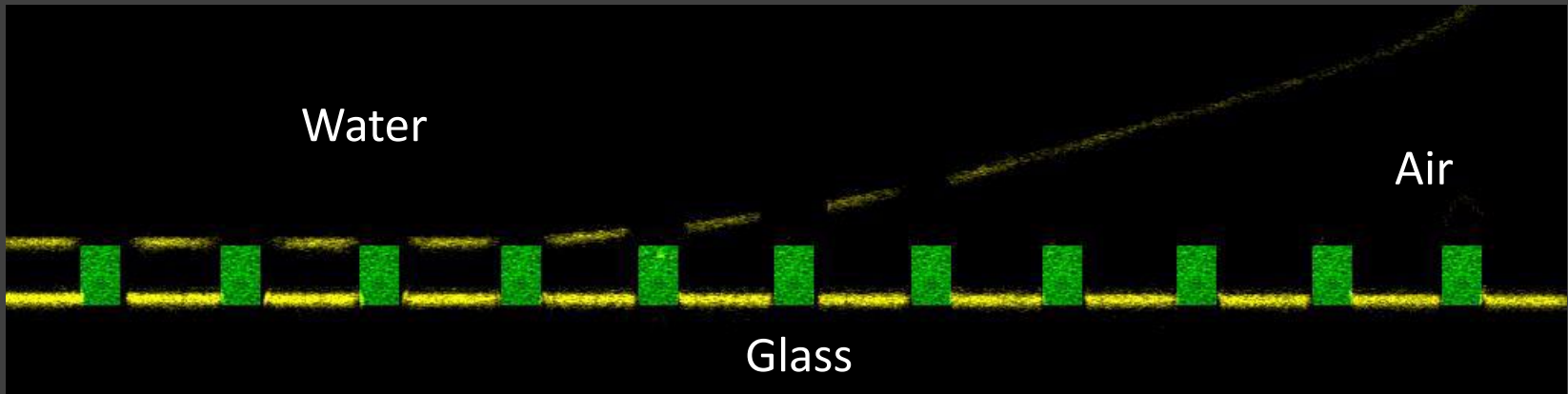
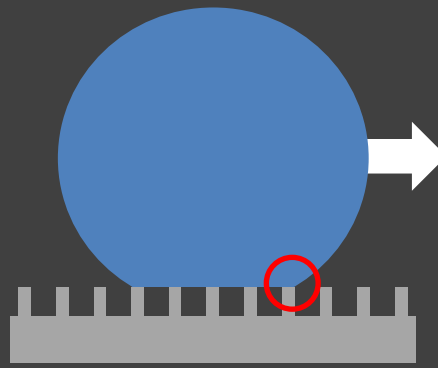
Pin hole

Laser scanning confocal microscope





Laser scanning confocal microscopy

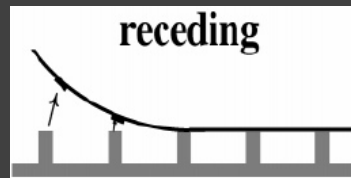


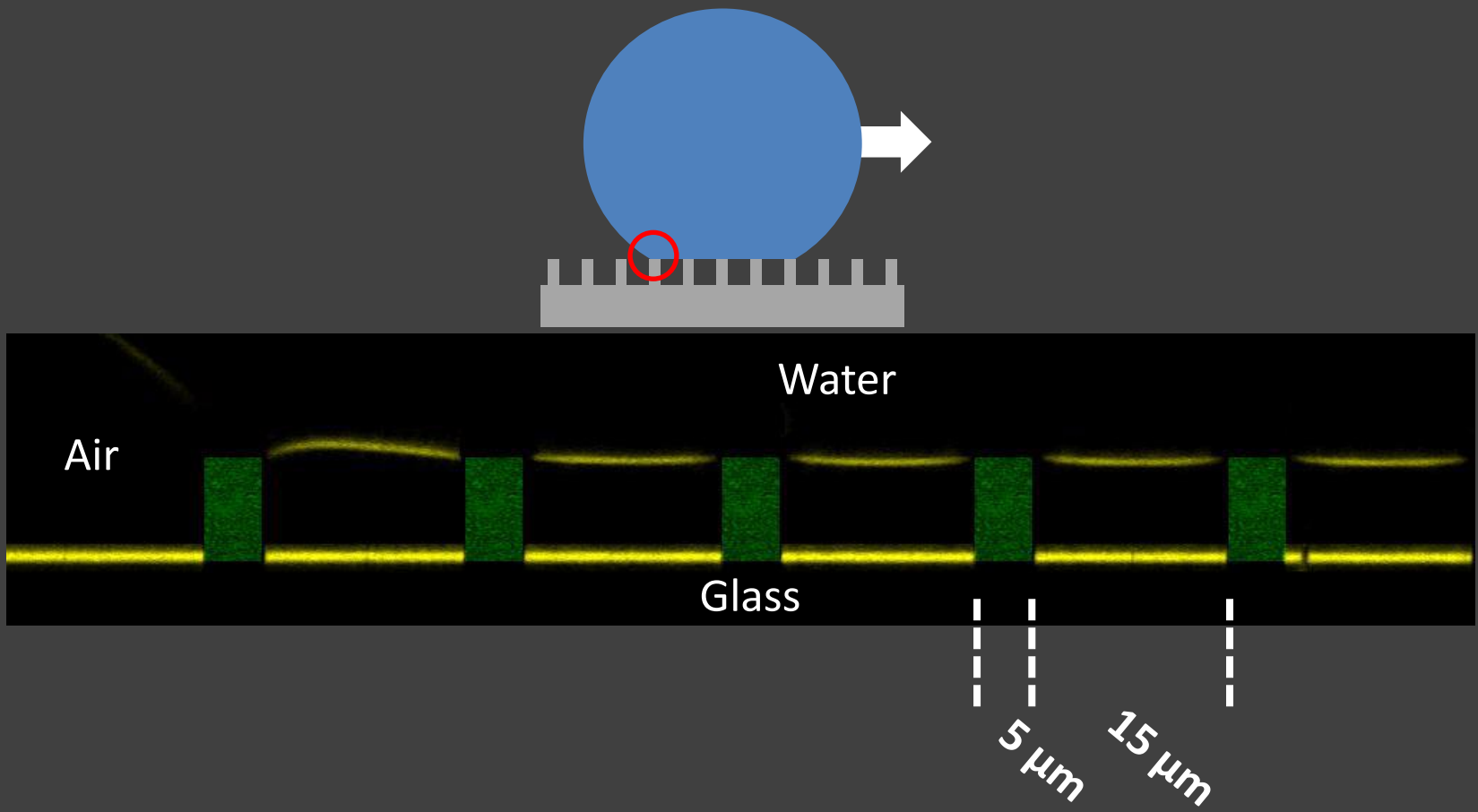
→ Advancement is touch down
 $\Theta_a^{app} = 180^\circ$

Bartell & Shepard, *JPC* 1953

Extrand, *Langmuir* 2002

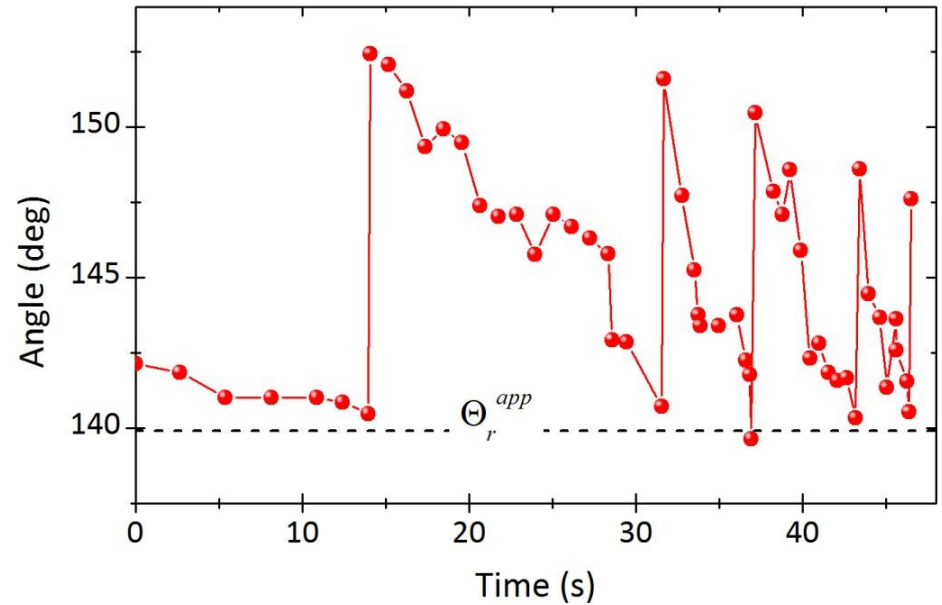
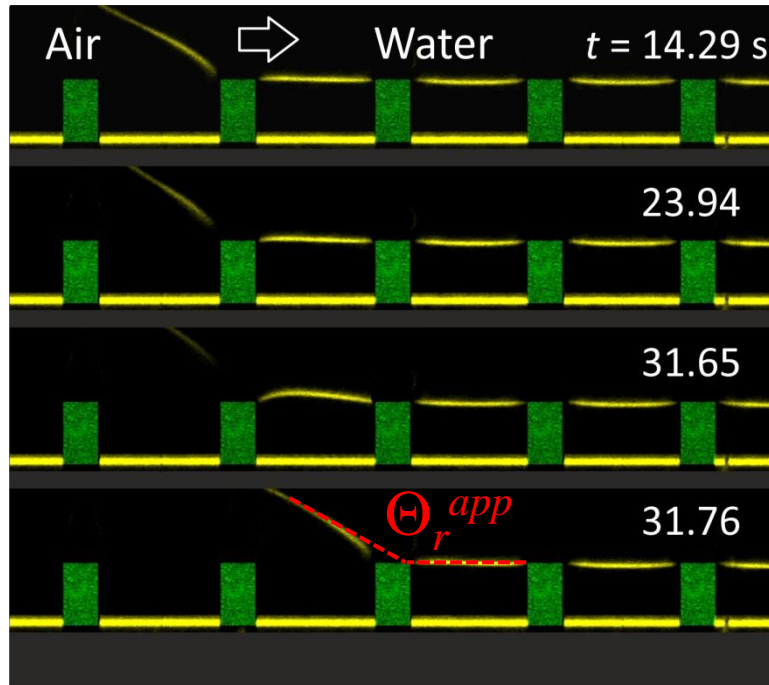
Gao & McCarthy, *Langmuir* 2006





Laser scanning confocal microscopy

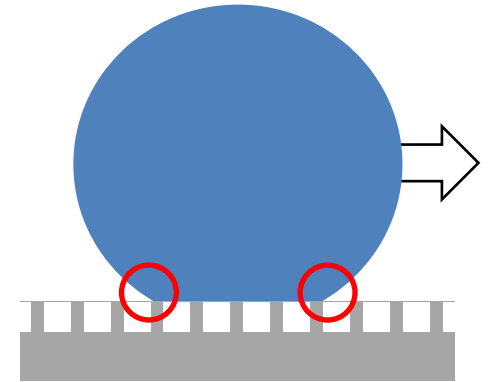
Receding water front



➔ The apparent receding contact angle is defined and characteristic

Micropillar arrays

- ➔ Drops recede via depinning at defined Θ_r^{app}
- ➔ Advancing side touches down, $\Theta_a^{app} = 180^\circ$
- ➔ Neither Θ_a^{app} nor contact angle hysteresis characterize superhydrophobicity



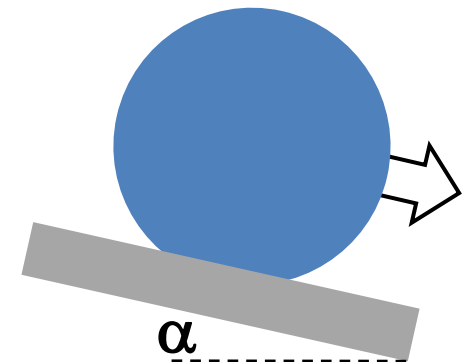
- ➔ Receding contact angle to measure superhydrophobicity

Korhonen et al., *Langmuir* **2013**, 29, 3858

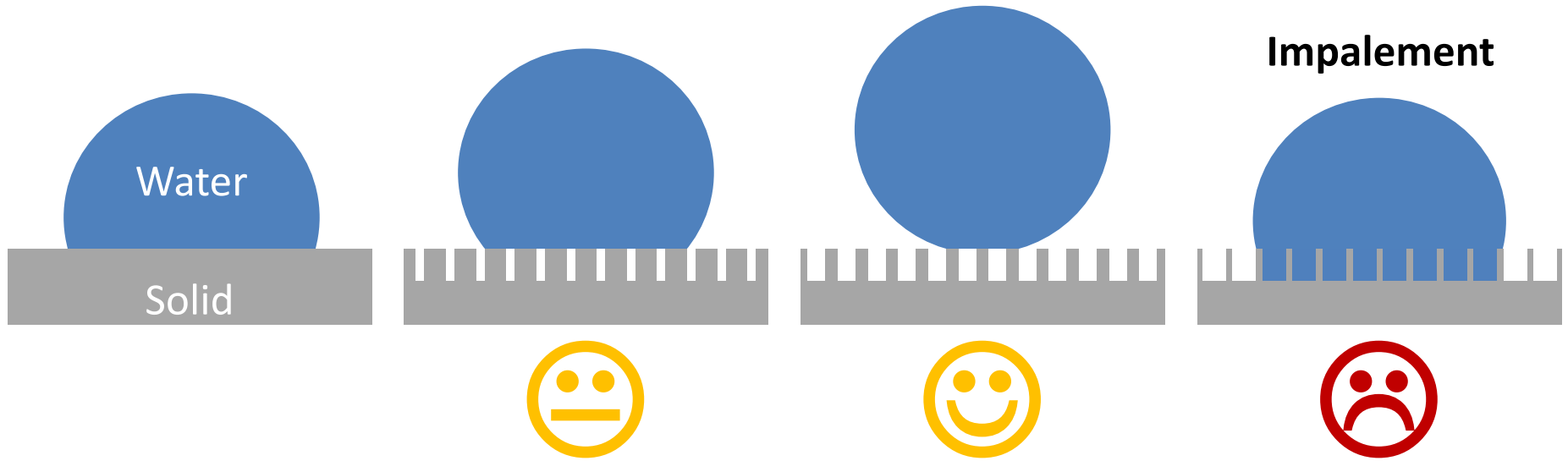
- ➔ Sliding angle $\sin \alpha = \frac{k\gamma w}{mg} (\cos \Theta_r^{app} + 1)$

- ➔ $\cos \Theta^{app} = f(\cos \Theta + 1) - 1$ not useful

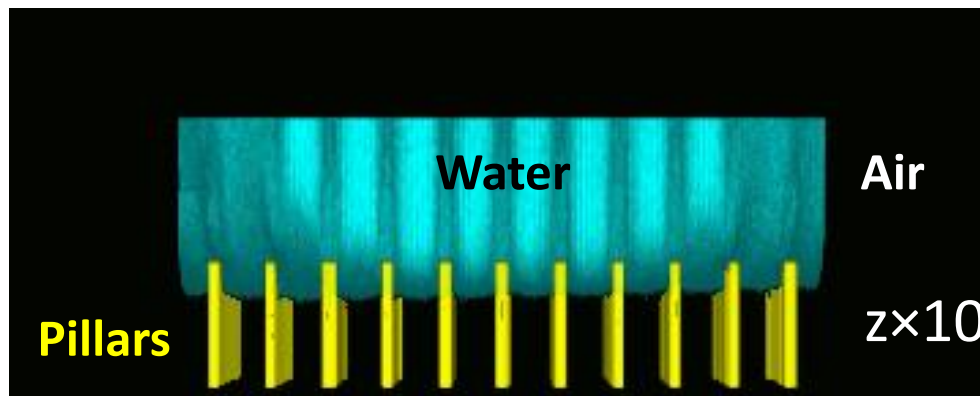
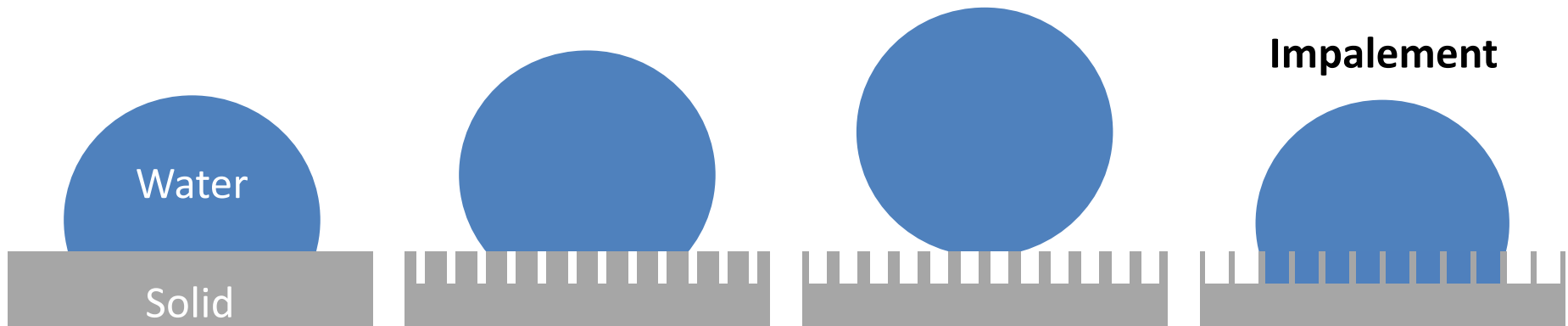
Cassie & Baxter, *Trans. Faraday Soc.* **1944**, 40, 546



Superhydrophobic surfaces

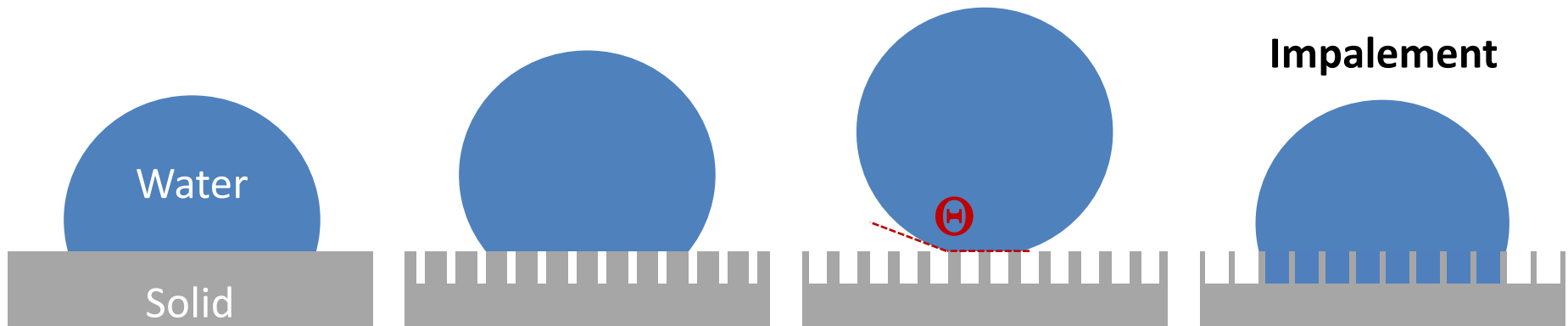


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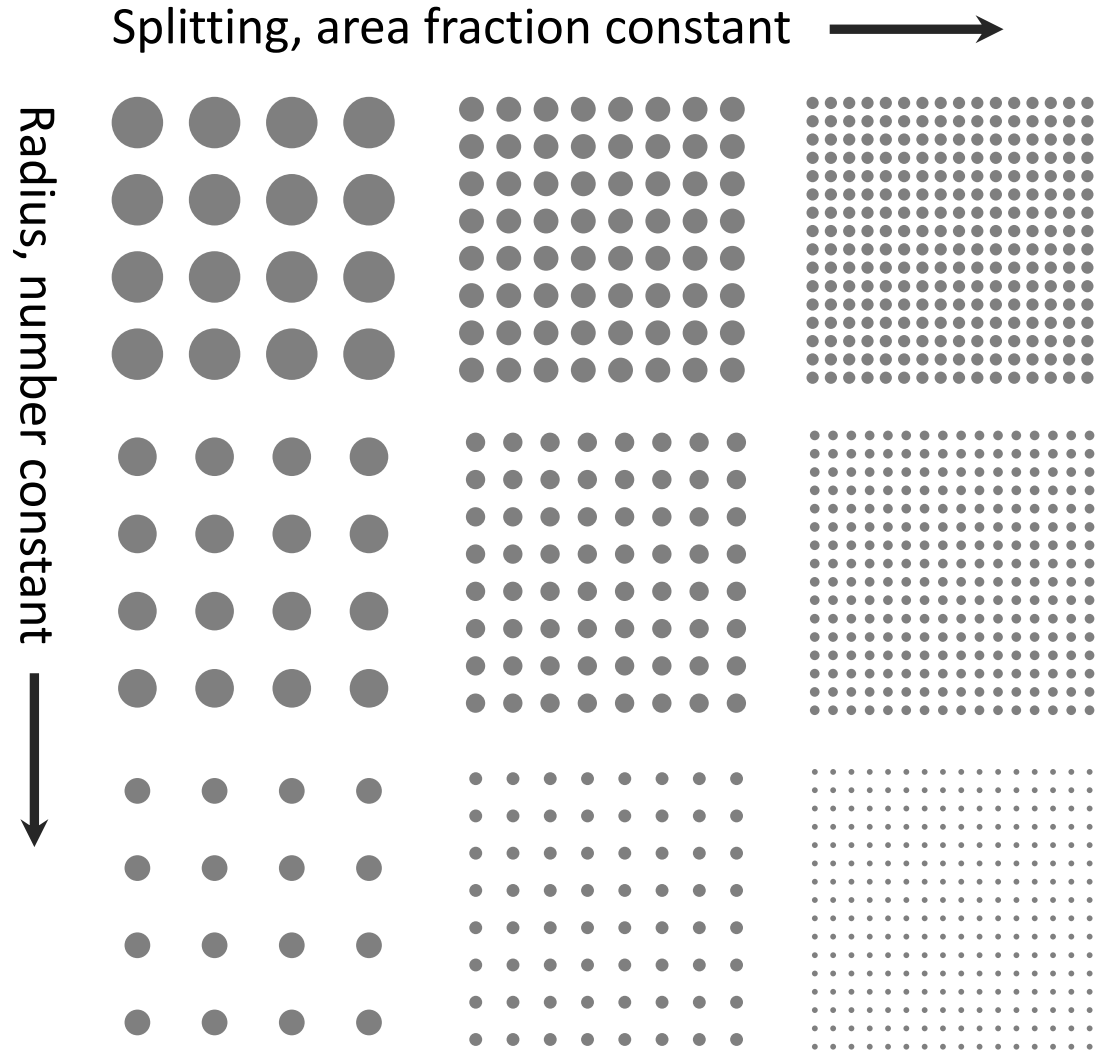
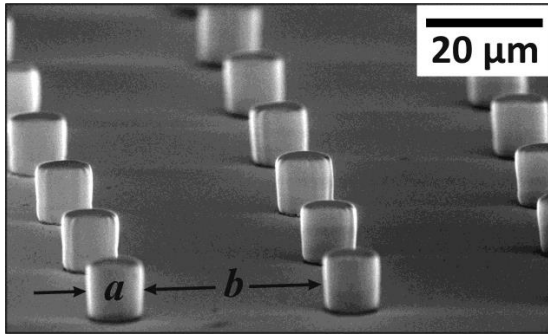
1 frame/s

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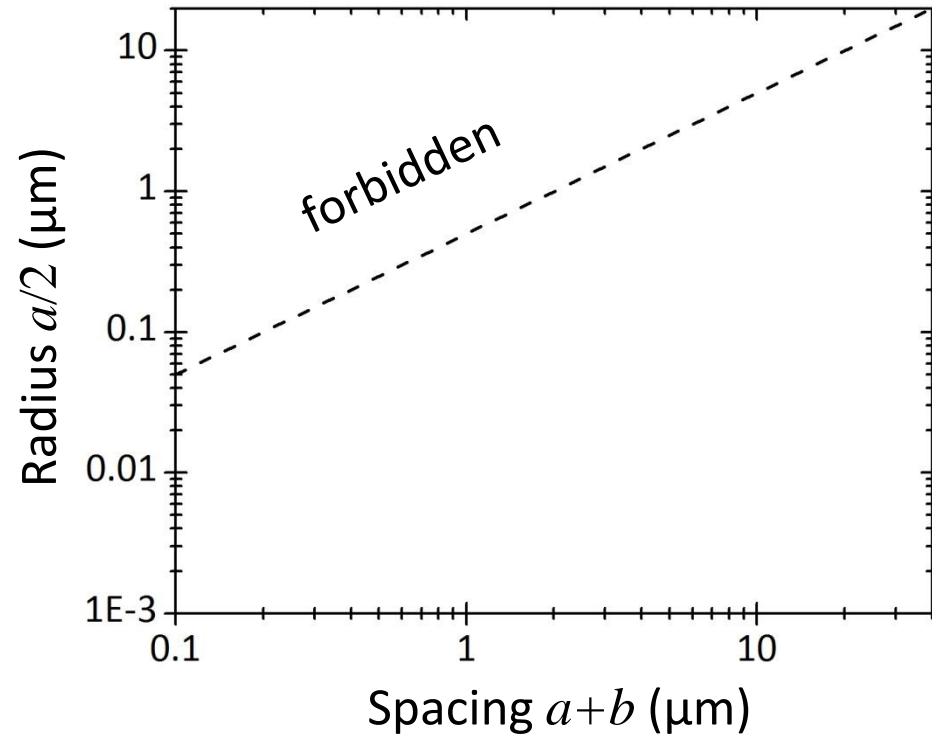
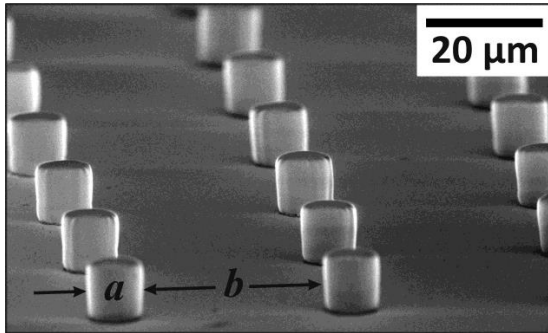


➔ High contact angle **and** high impalement pressure

Design of superhydrophobic surfaces

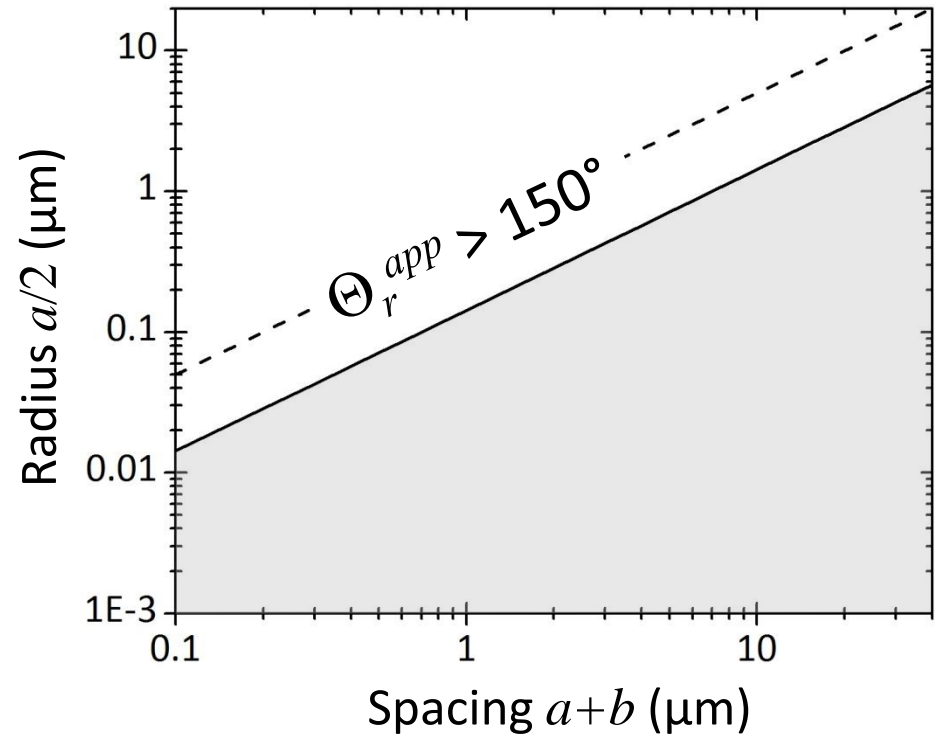
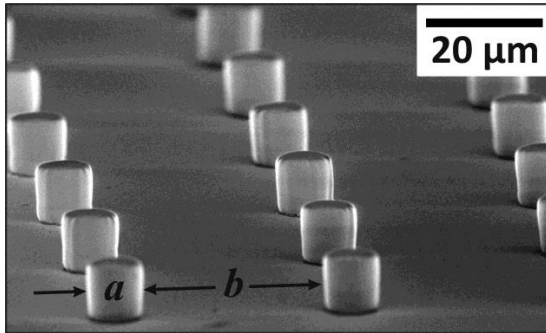


Design of superhydrophobic surfaces



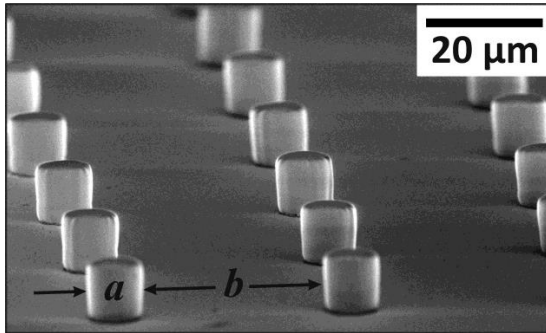
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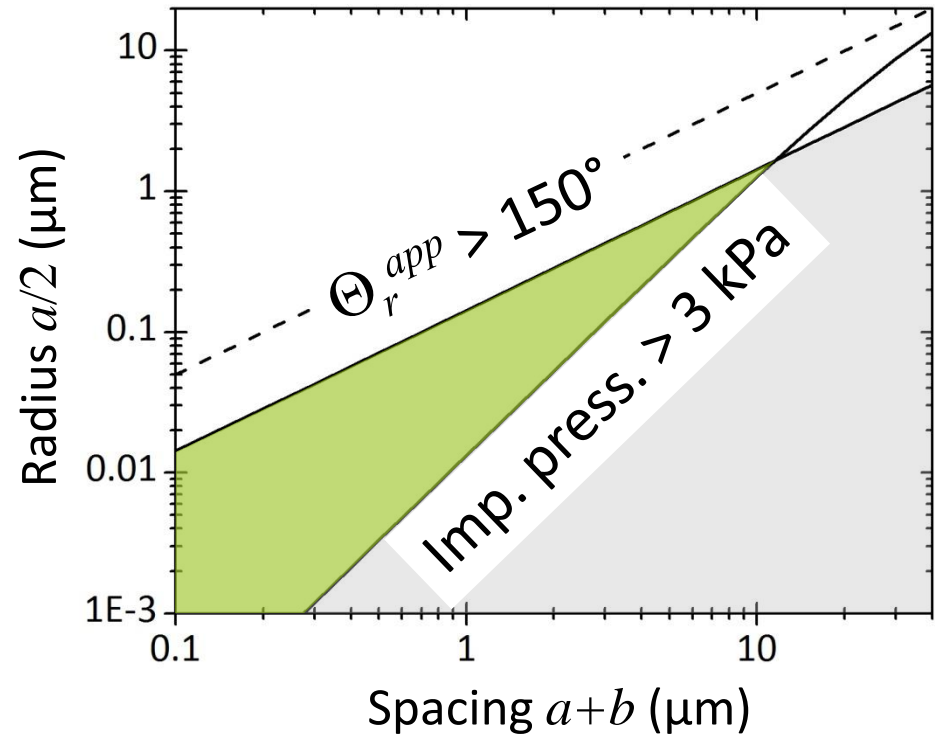
Design of superhydrophobic surfaces



➔ Superhydrophobic structures should be as small as possible

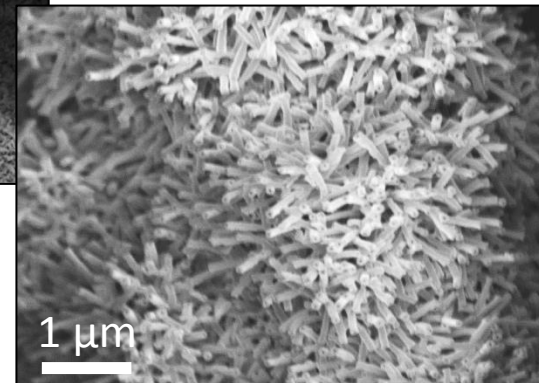
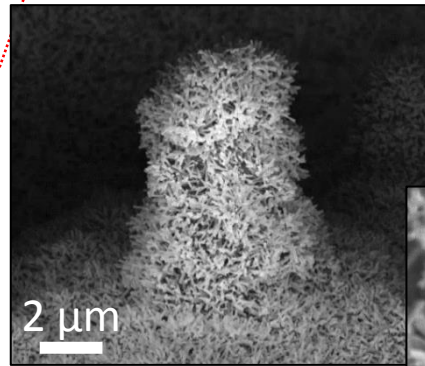
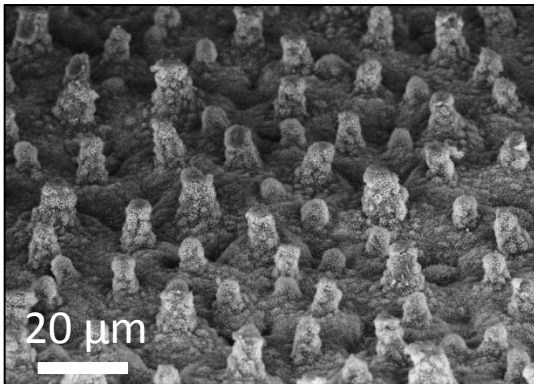
Adv. Colloid Interface Sci. **2015**, 222, 104

Extrand, *Langmuir* **2006**, 22, 1711

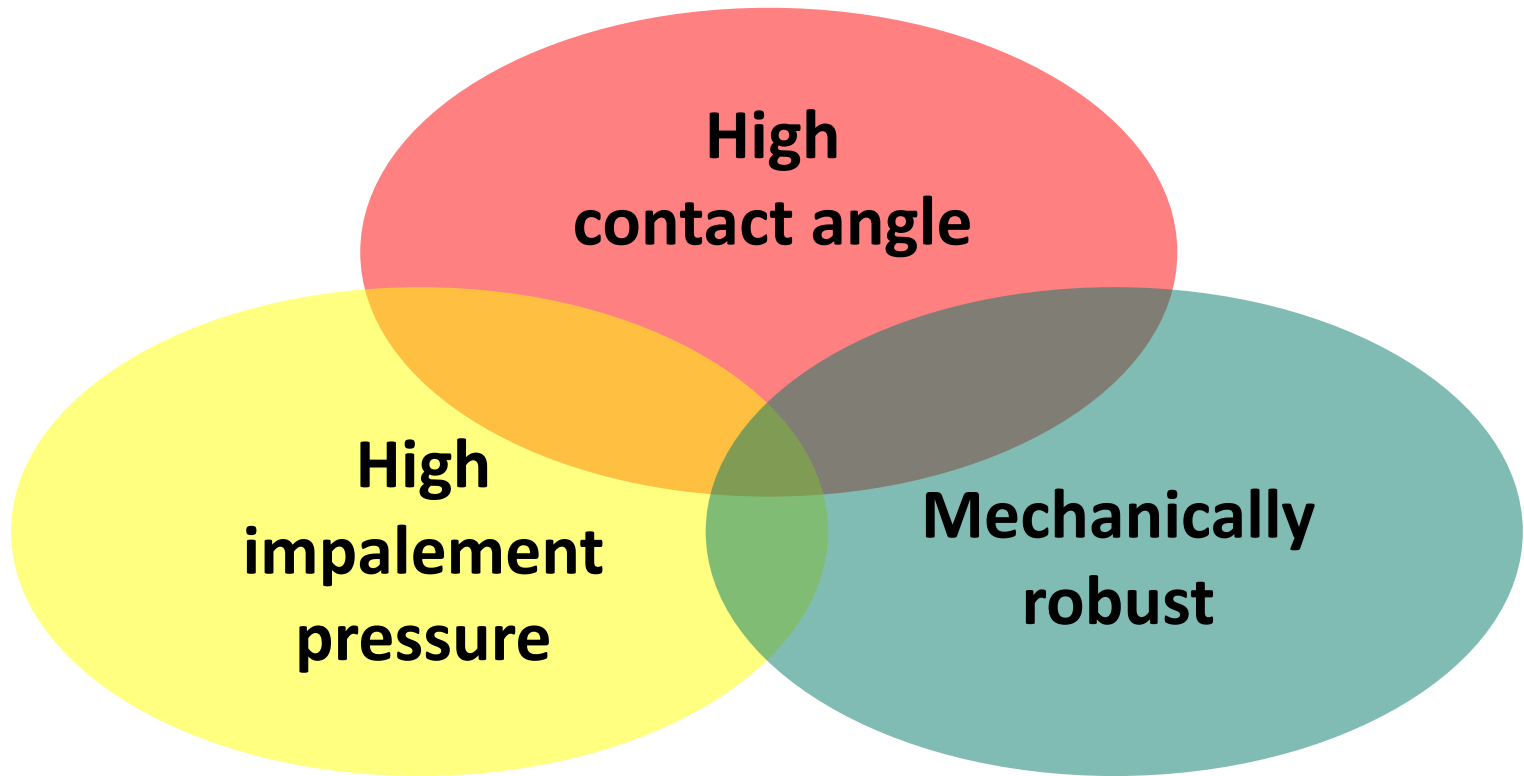


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Lotus leaf



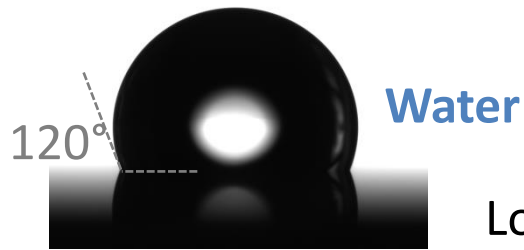
Challenge



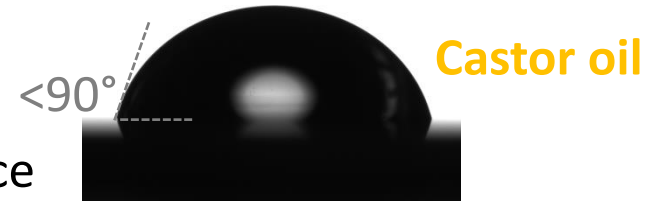
Superoleophobic surfaces



Superoleophobic surfaces

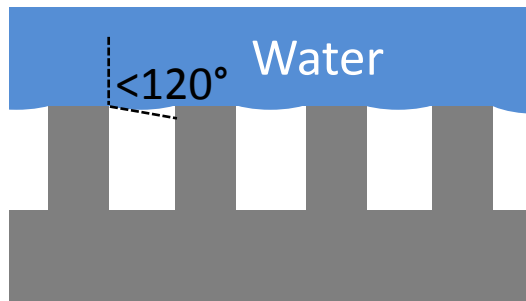


Low energy surface

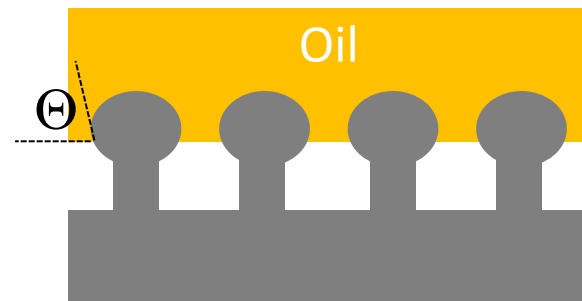


Superhydrophobic

Superoleophobic



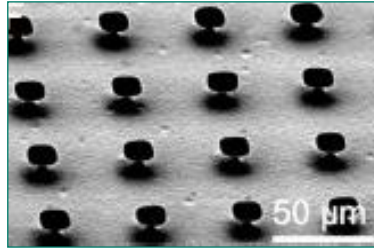
Roughness



Overhangs

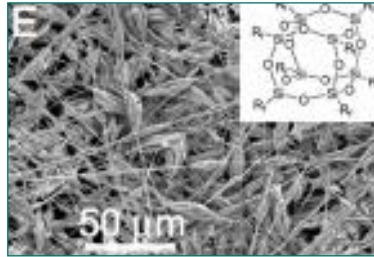
Superoleophobic surfaces

Lithography

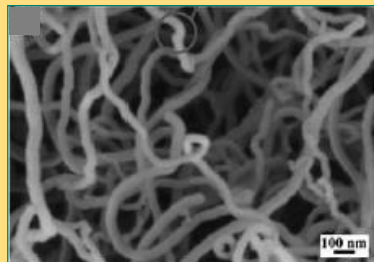


Electrospun fibres

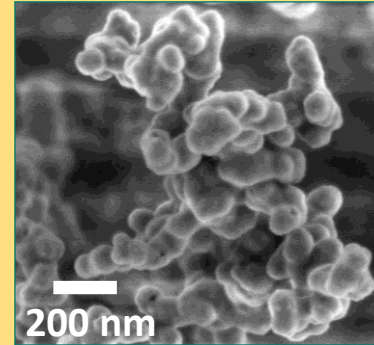
Tuteja et al., *PNAS*
2008, 105, 18200



Nanofilaments

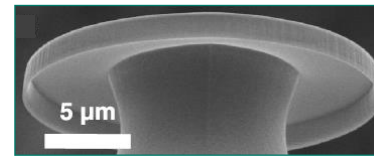


Zhang & Seeger, *Angew. Chem.* 2011, 50, 6652



Soot-templated

Science 2012, 335, 66



Tables with
overhanging rim

Liu & Kim, *Science* 2014, 346, 1096



Liquid flame
spray

Teisala et al., *Adv. Mater.* 2018, in press

Superamphiphobic membranes for blood oxygenation



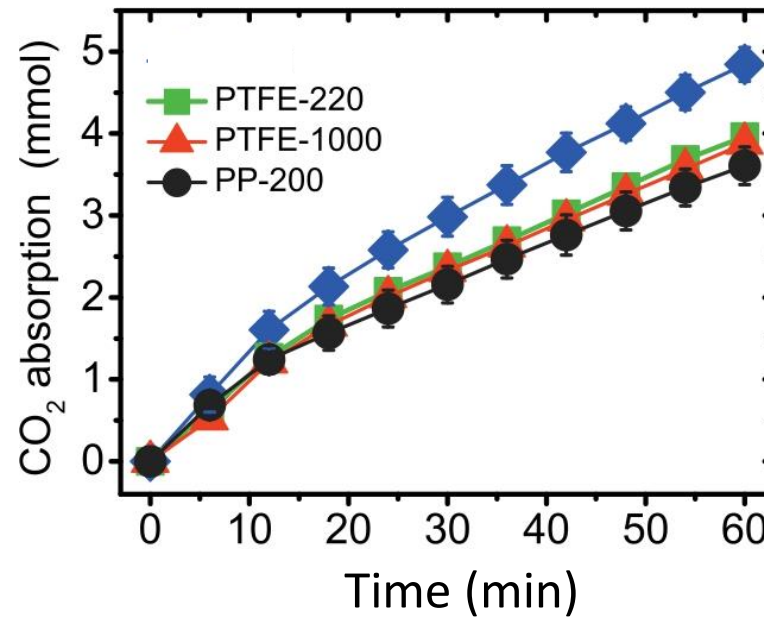
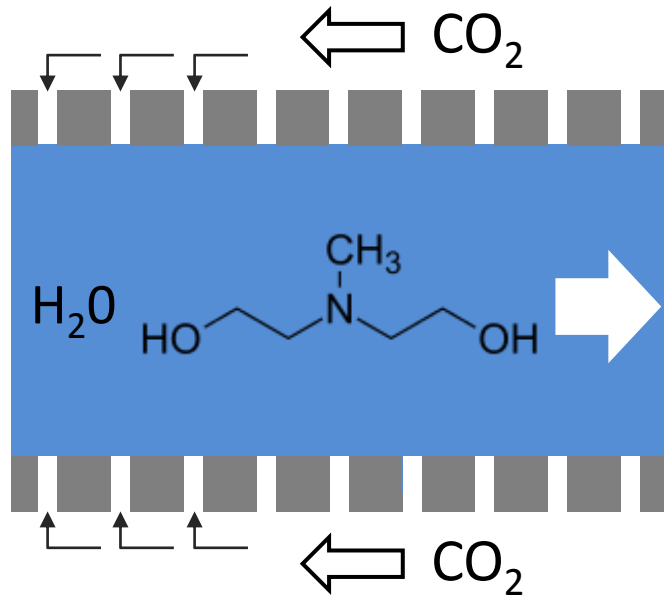
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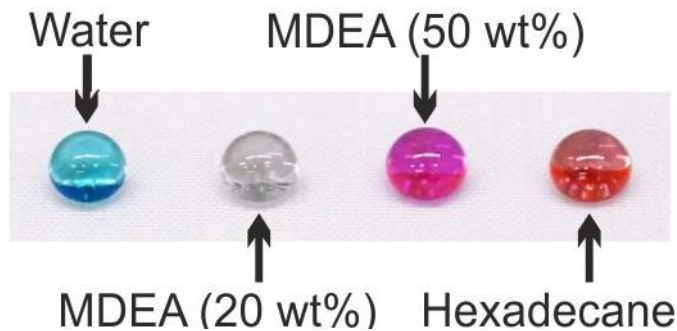
Schöttler

Human blood stabilized by heparin as anticoagulant
after 24 h incubation at 37°C

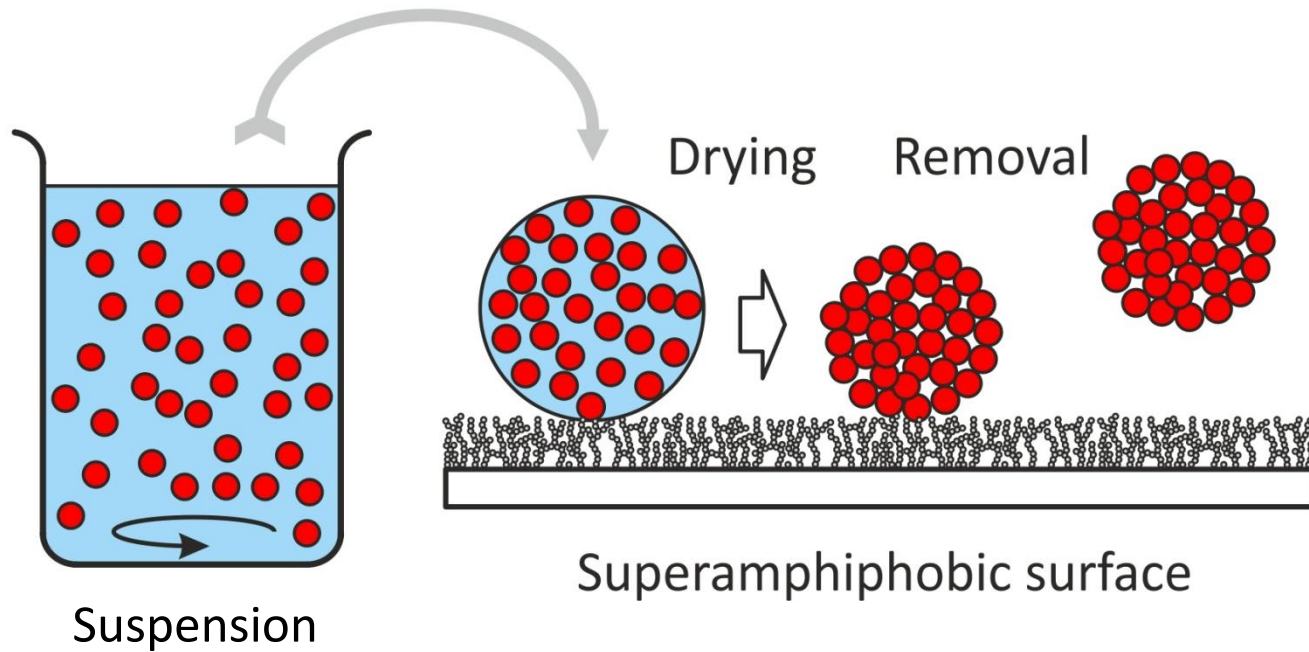
Gas membranes for CO₂ capture



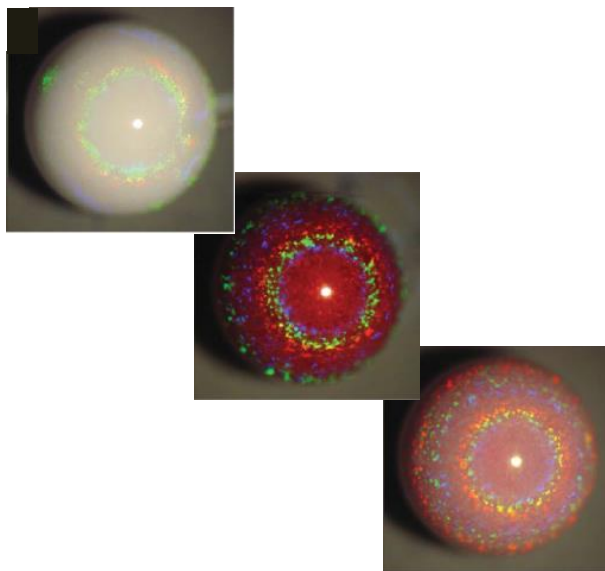
Superoleo-
phobic
membrane



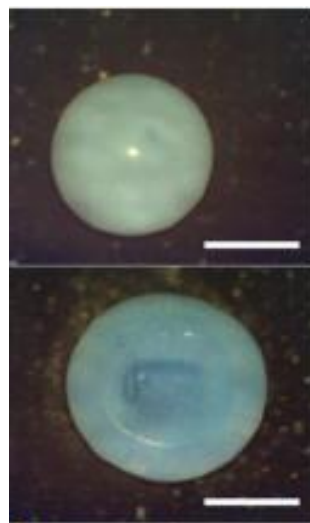
Supraparticles



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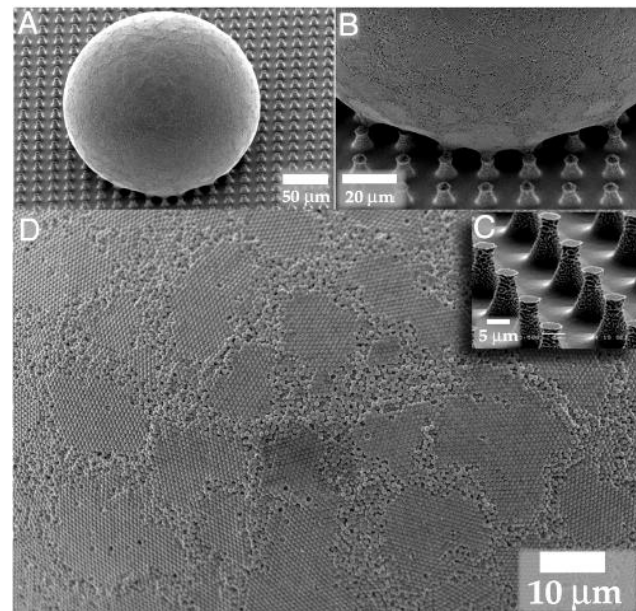


Rastogi et al., *Adv. Mater.* **2008**,
20, 4263



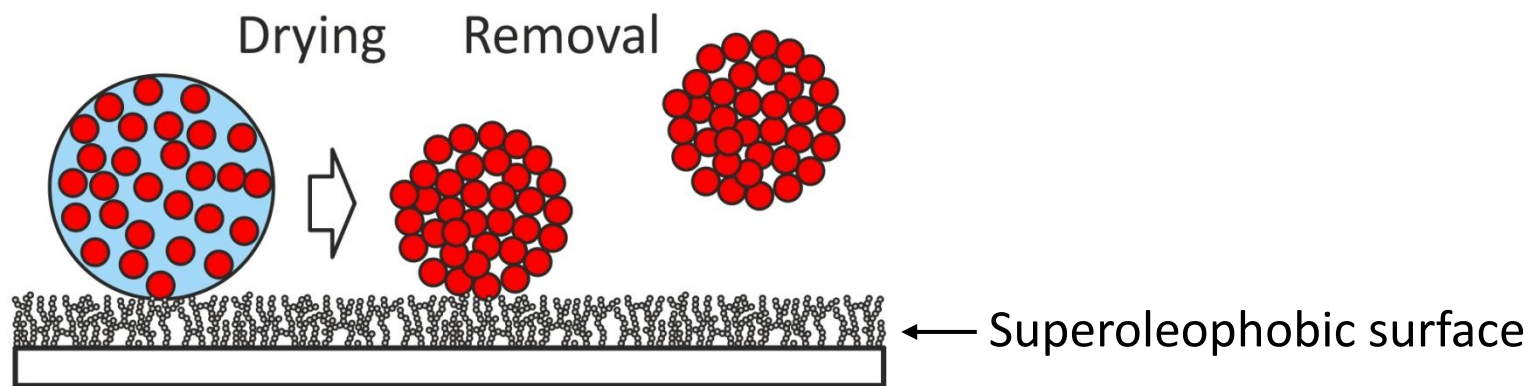
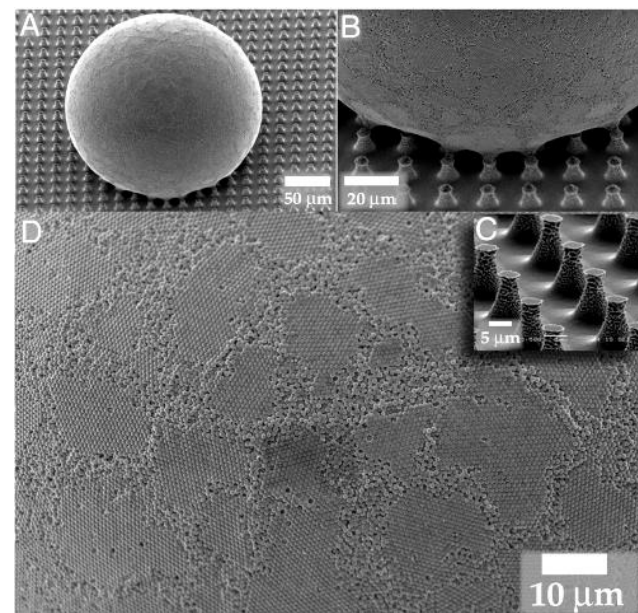
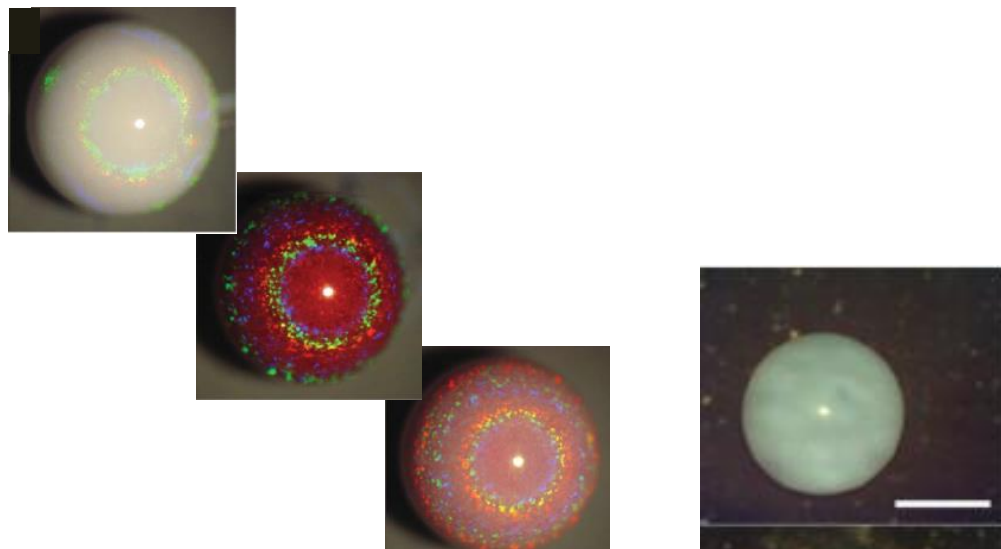
0.5 mm

Sperling, Velev & Gradzielski,
Angew. Chemie **2014**, 53, 586

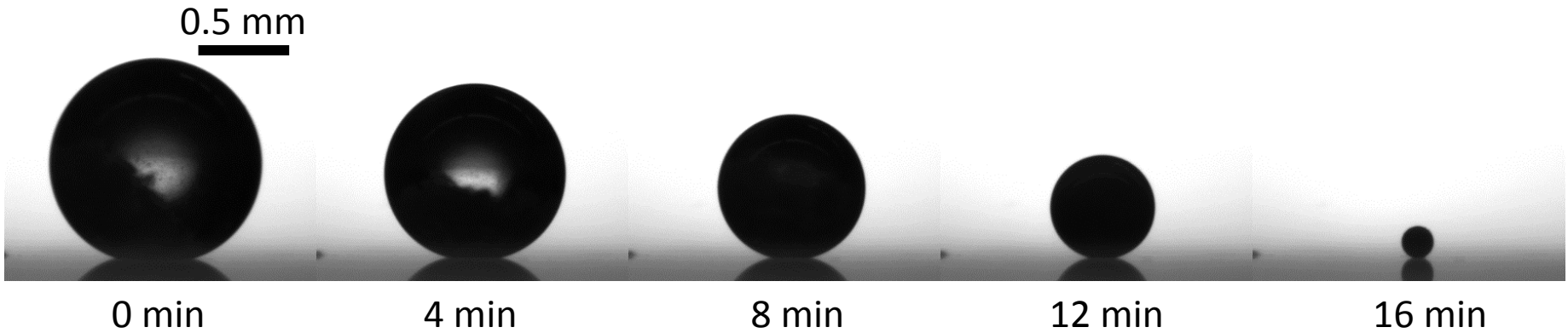


Marín et al., *PNAS* **2012**, 109, 16455

Supraparticles

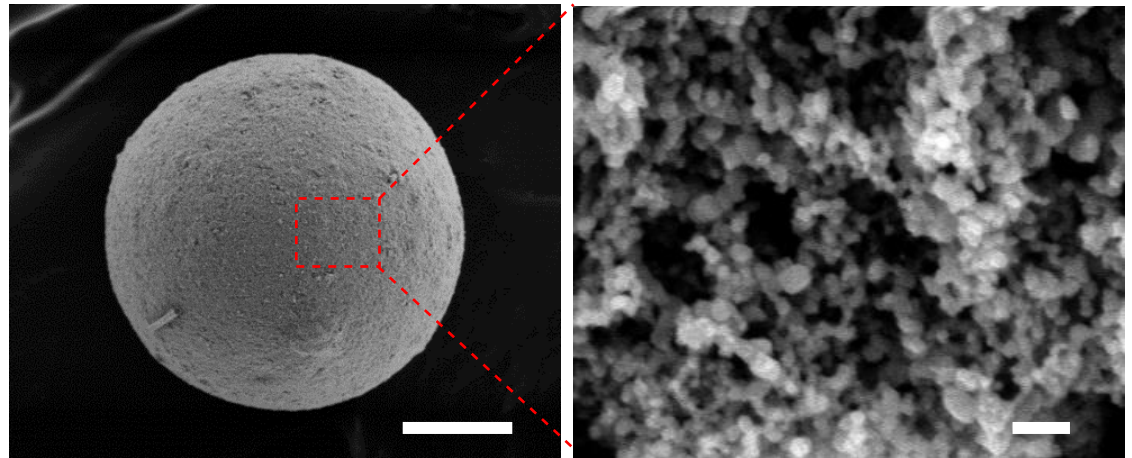


Mesoporous TiO₂ supraparticles



Aqueous 0.1 vol% of TiO₂,
∅ 21 nm, P25 Degussa,
22°C, 42% RH

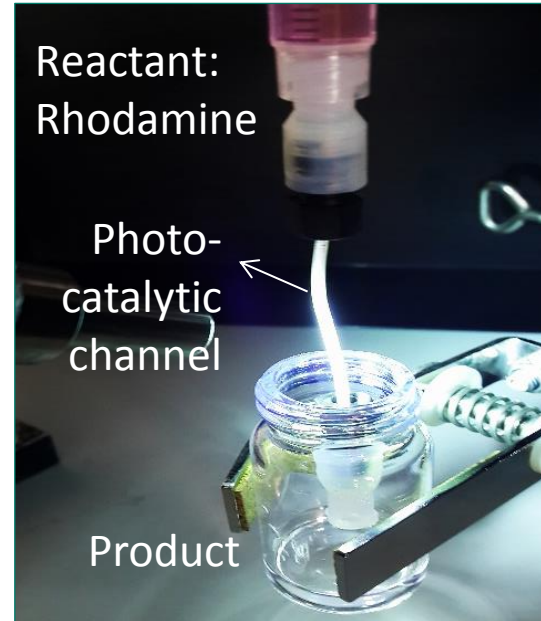
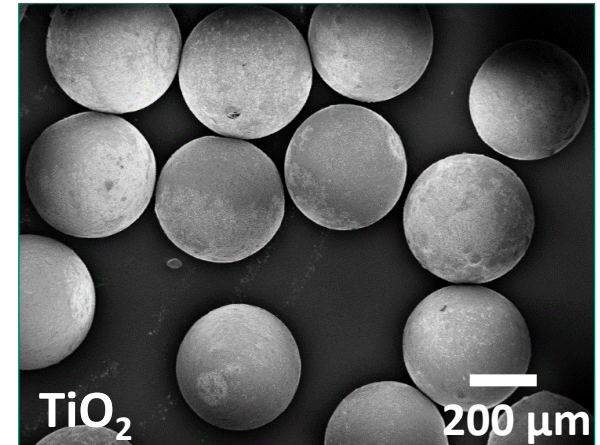
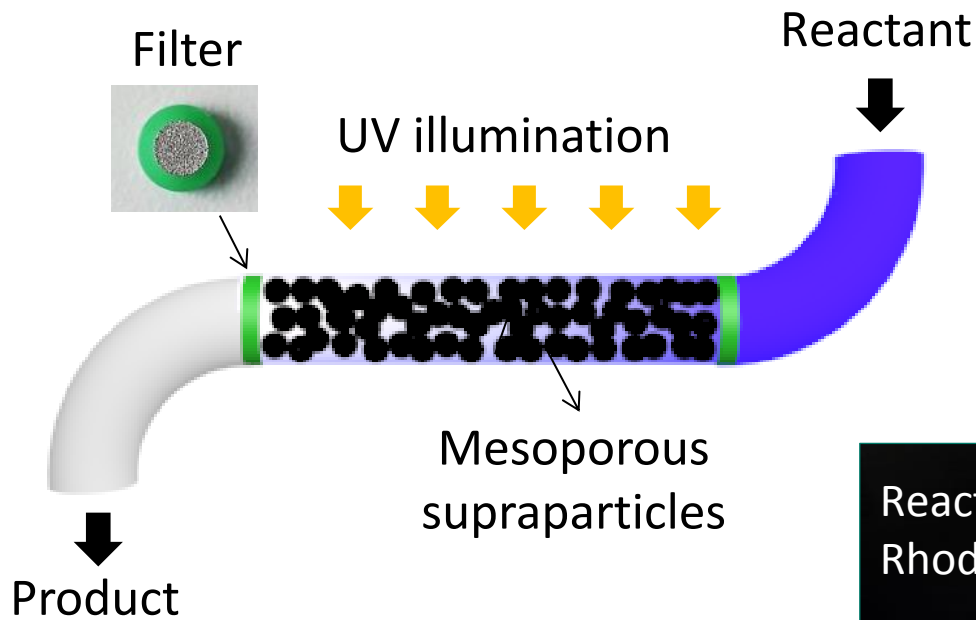
Adv. Materials **2015**, 27, 7338



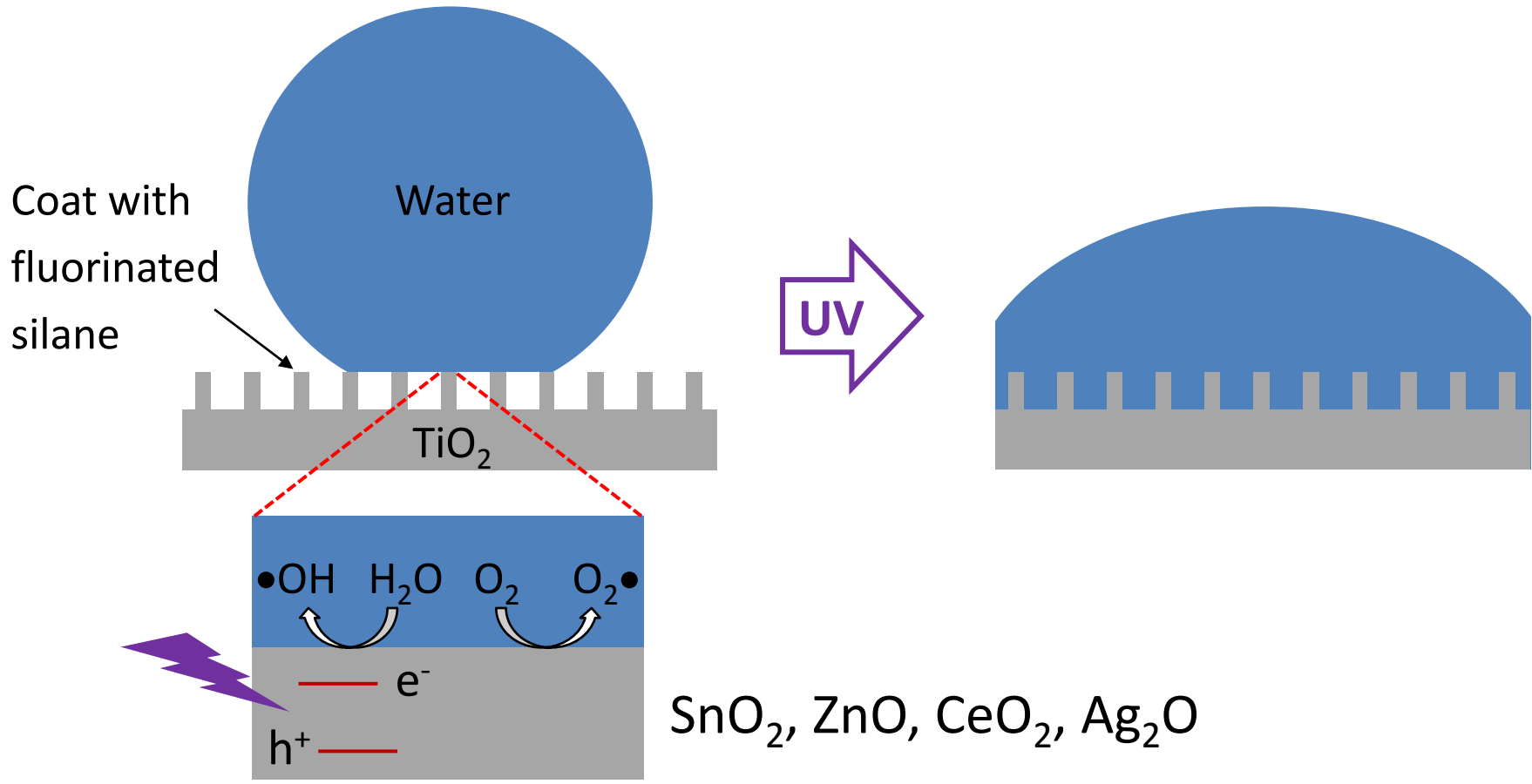
50 μm

100 nm

Photocatalytically active TiO₂ supraparticles

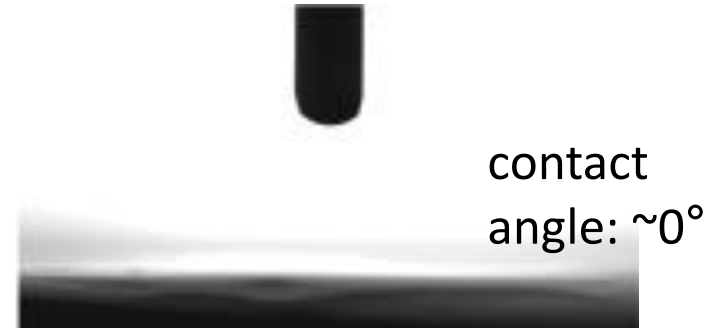


Combine photocatalytic activity & superhydrophobicity

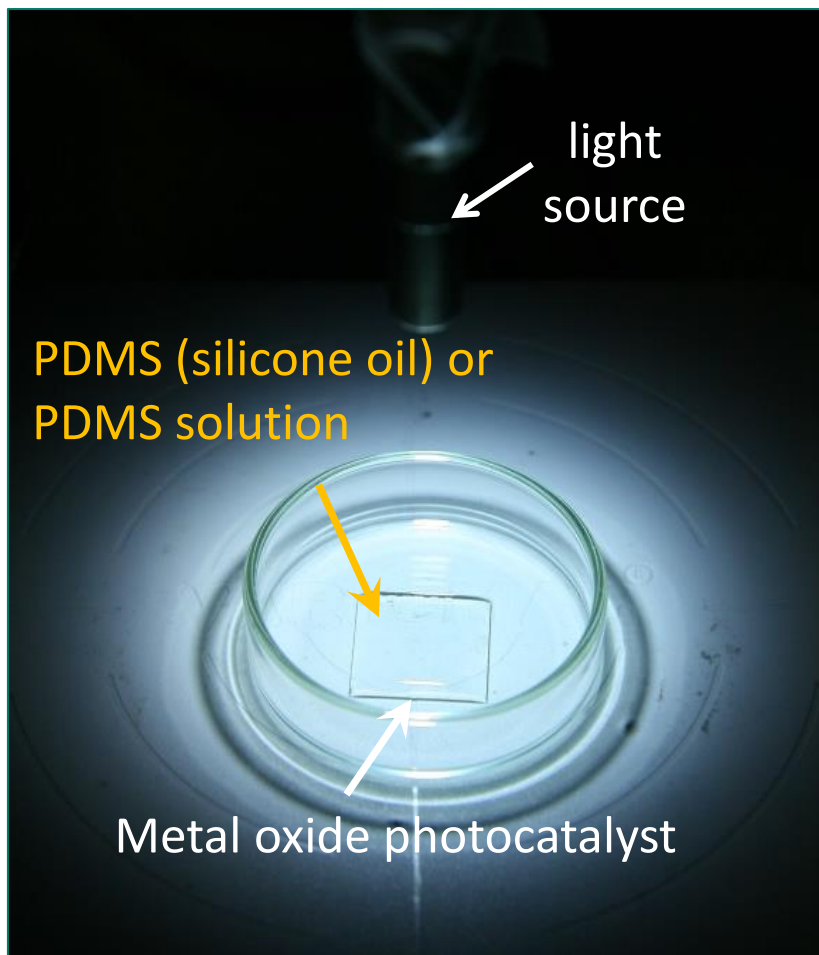


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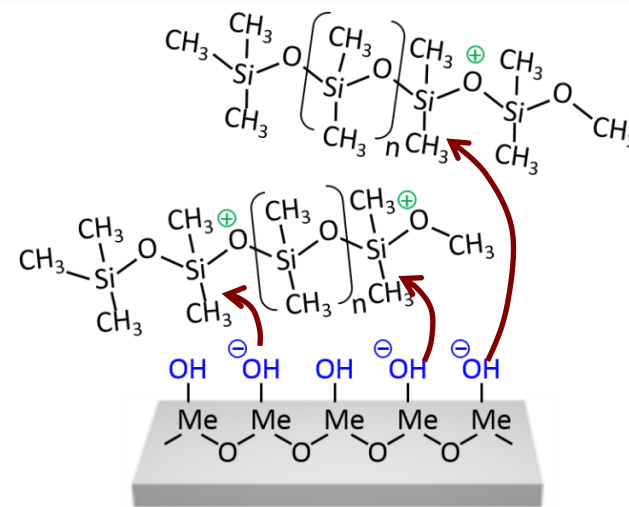
Superhydrophobic etched TiO_2 with octadecylphosphonic acid



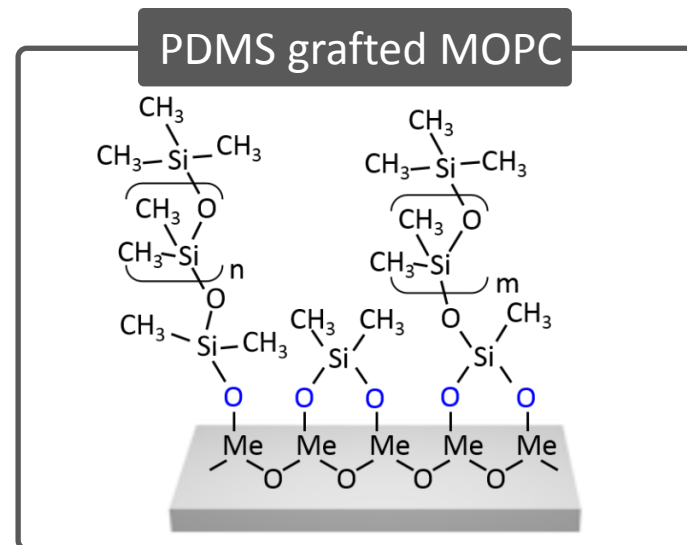
Grafting poly(dimethyl siloxane) to metal oxide photocatalyst



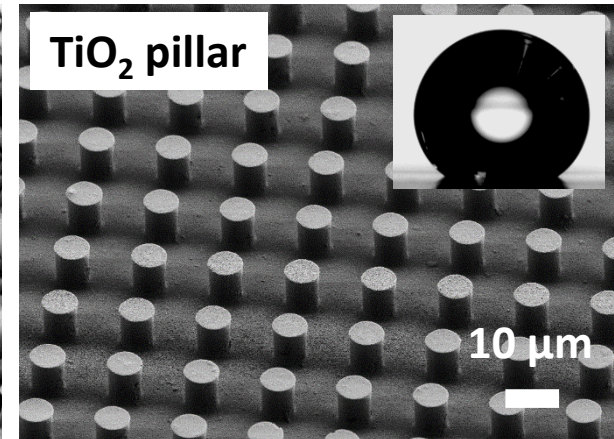
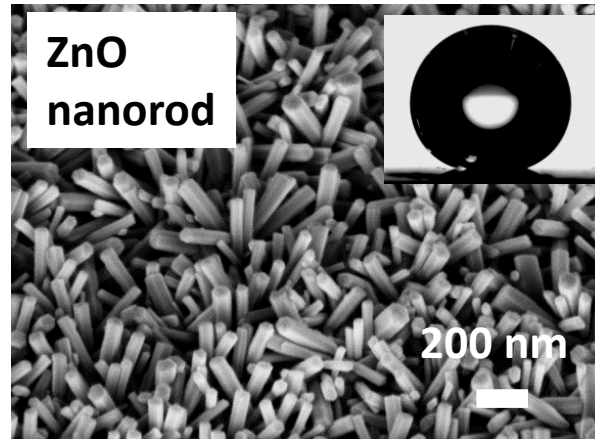
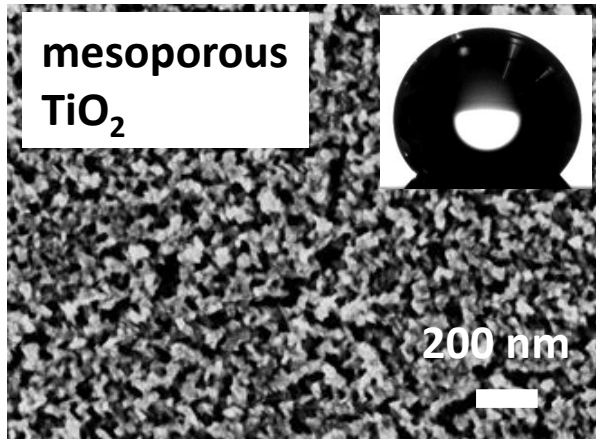
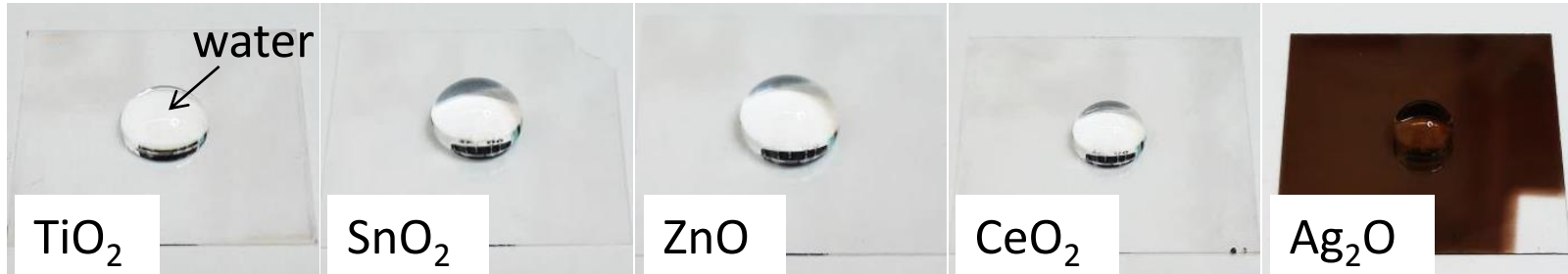
UV-A, 10 mW/cm², 10 min



illumination

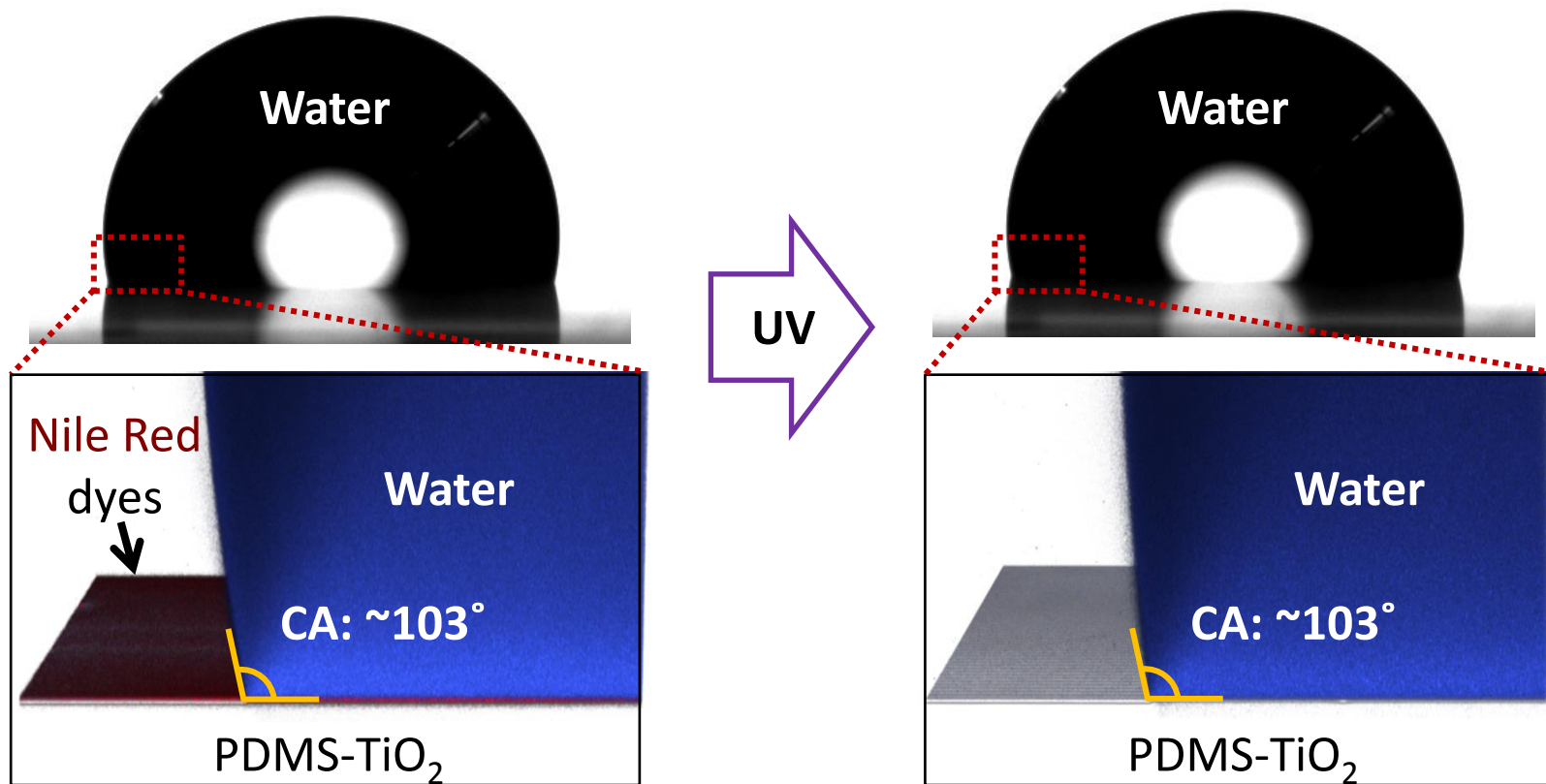


Grafting PDMS to metal oxide photocatalyst



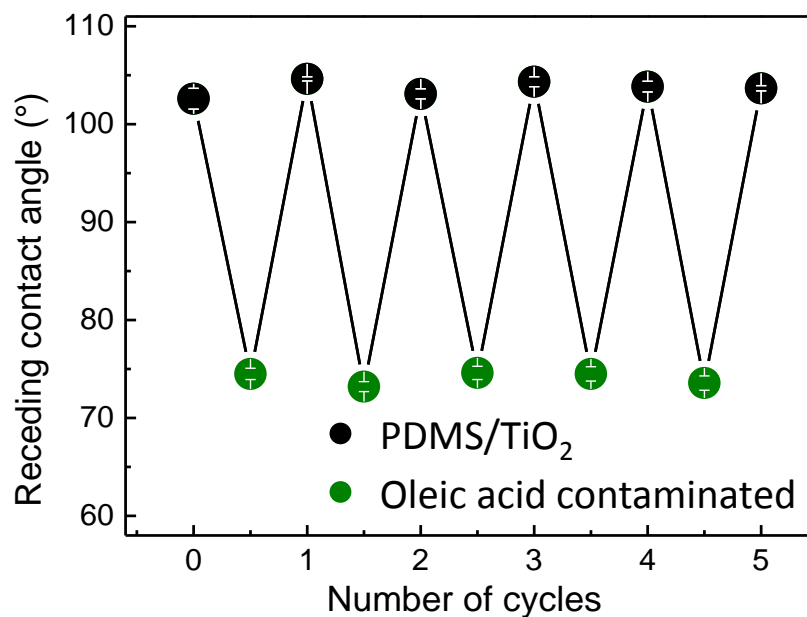
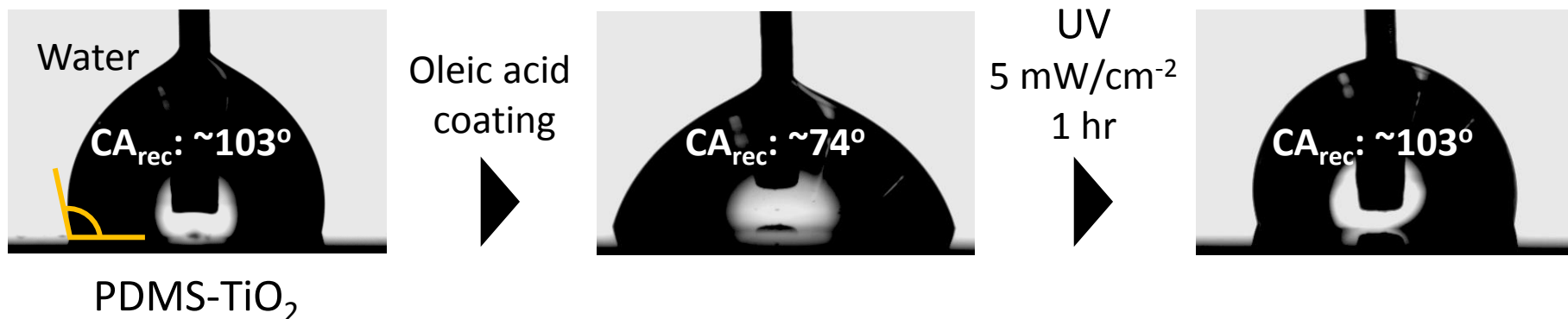
Apparent receding contact angle > 140°

Photocatalytic activity

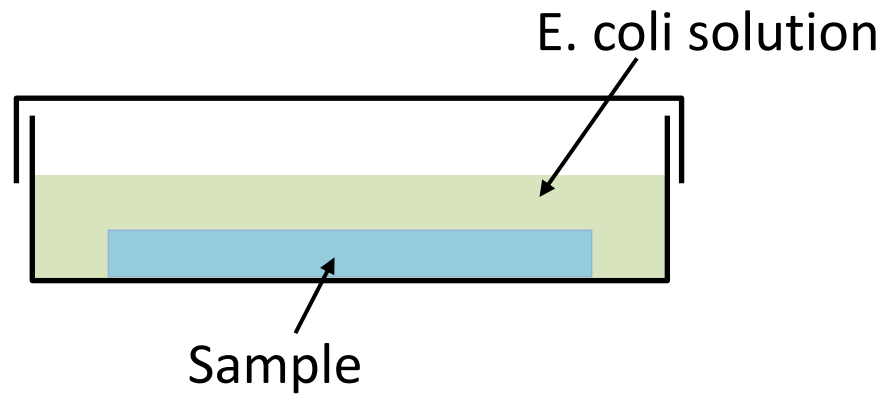


Confocal microscopy to demonstrate photodegradation

Photodegradation of oleic acid



Anti-biofouling surface



Bare TiO_2 & PDMS- TiO_2

Dark & UV illumination

Movements of E. coli

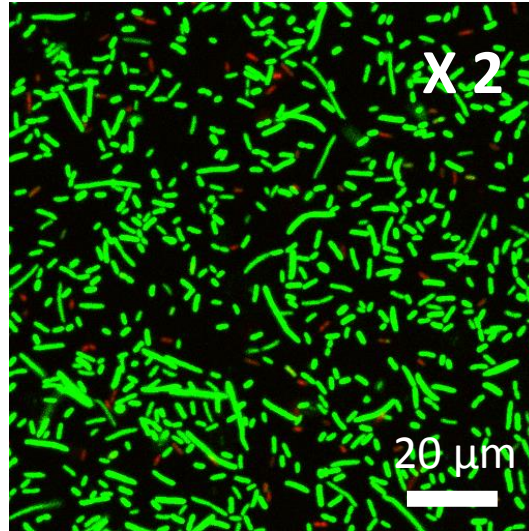


Green: living E.Coli

Red: dead E.Coli

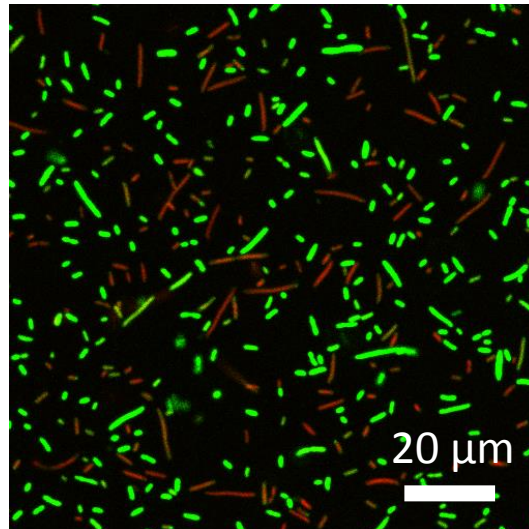
bare TiO₂

Dark



UV-A:

5 mW/cm²
for 210 min



PDMS-TiO₂ for self cleaning surfaces

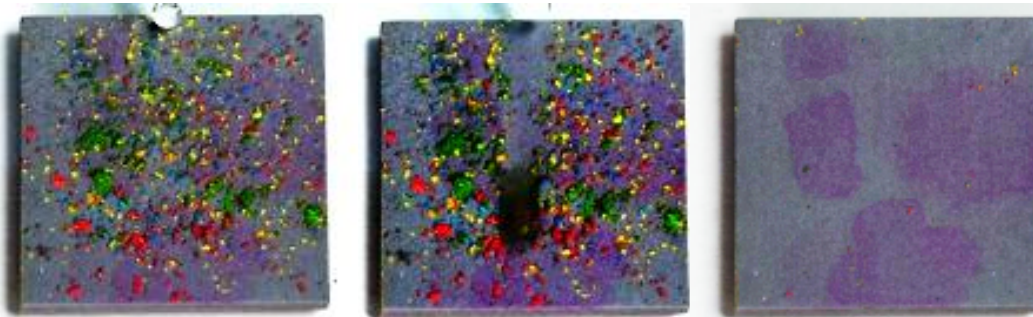


Photocatalytic Superhydrophobic surface
(PDMS-TiO₂ coated etched Al)

Self-cleaning by combination of liquid repellency & photocatalytic activity

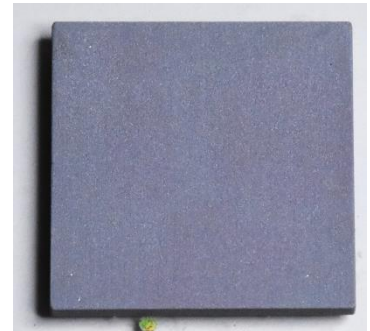
(1) contamination w/
Rhodamine B

(2) chalk powder



Cleaning dusts by water drops
superhydrophobicity

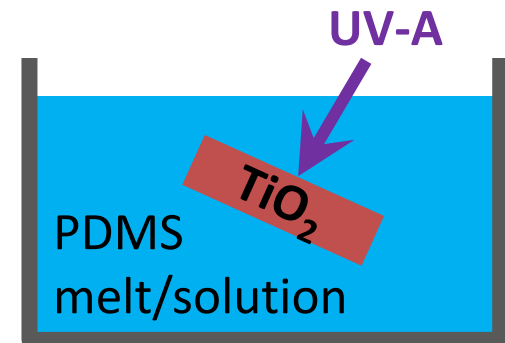
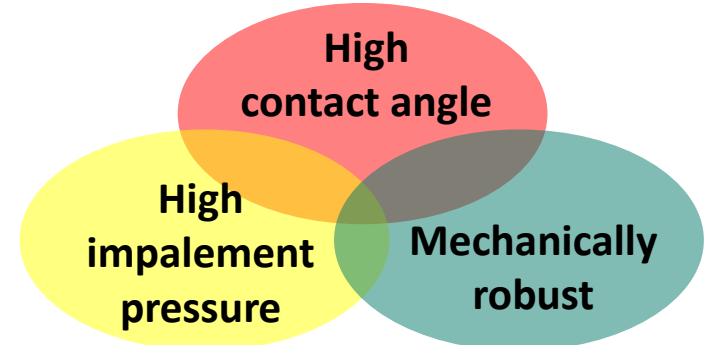
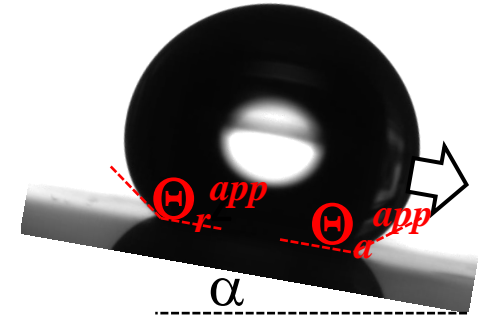
UV
5 mW/cm²
4 h



Cleaning organic dyes
by photocatalytic activity

Wetting

- ➔ Aim: Understand and control wetting
- ➔ Contact angle hysteresis
- ➔ Challenges in super liquid-repellency & Multifunctional surfaces
- ➔ Stable hydrophobic photocatalytically active metal oxides



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