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- Research project lead by Laurence SALOME and Christophe VIEU (collaboration IPBS / Laas-CNRS, Toulouse, France)

- The project initially was expected to involved 4/5 teams.

# The project step by step

• Mold fabrication:

EBL / Development / Dry etching

- Stamp fabrication
- Nano contact printing / DNA fixation
- Video microscopy / Image analysis



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## Mold fabrication : EBL

 EBL = Electron Beam Lithography

- Low and expensive process
- High resolution
- Mold reusable



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#### Mold fabrication : EBL



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#### Mold fabrication : EBL Source



#### Mold fabrication : EBL



#### Mold fabrication : EBL Deflector



#### Mold fabrication : EBL Blanker

Role: turning the beam on and off

- pair of plates set up as a simple electrostatic deflector
- fast response time

To turn the beam off, a voltage is applied across the plates which sweeps the beam off axis until it is intercepted by a downstream aperture.

#### Mold fabrication : EBL Scanning methodologies



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#### Mold fabrication : EBL Time & Dose

Dose = it/S

#### Example:

Current = 450 pA Dose = 2000  $\mu$ C.cm<sup>-2</sup> S = Surface insulated Dose = it/S t = 20 minutes

#### Mold fabrication : EBL Aberrations

$$d = \sqrt{d_g^2 + d_s^2 + d_c^2 + d_d^2}$$

- $d_{_g}$  : size of the source / demagnification
- d<sub>s</sub>: spherical aberration
- d<sub>c</sub>: chromatic aberration
- $d_d$ : diffraction limit

# Mold fabrication :EBL and more aberrations...



# Mold fabrication: mold / next steps



#### Mold fabrication : Resist

#### **Electron Scattering in Resist and Substrate**



#### The scattered electrons also expose the resist!

#### Mold fabrication : Resist



## Mold fabrication : RIE

**RIE = R**eactive Ion Etching

# - U<sub>0</sub> = bond energy of surface's atoms - The neutral molecules of the plasma make U<sub>0</sub> decrease - The ions accelerates when they are closed to the surface

- substrate = cathode



Source: www.memsnet.org

Interest: very anisotropic.

# Mold fabrication: cleaning + SAM

- Ultrasonic cleaning in acetone (remove the residues)
- SAM (preparation to receive the elastomer)



AFM picture of a mold Diameter of the holes : 200 nm Period of the array: 500 μm

Resist: PMMA (Poly Methyl MethAcrylate) Developer: MIBK / IPA (1:3) and IPA (Methyl IsoButyl Ketone / IsoPropyl Alcool )

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## Nano contact printing / DNA fixation

#### **Printing of biological molecules:**

- The methods fits to any **kind of molecules**
- The **dilution** well selected lead to the possibility to make arrays of single molecules. (see ref.)

Important works: J.P. Renaud, A. Bernard,
A. Bietsch, B. Michel, H.R. Bosshard,
E. Delamarche, IBM Zurich.

Example of application: DNA 1. Functionalization of the surface = stamping of oligomers 2. Hybridization (DNA brought using capillarity) 3. Addition of biotine molecules



### Video microscopy / Image analysis



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#### To conclude...

- Through this example, we can see that the nanotechnologies are a door open to multidisciplinary project
- Each technique improvement linked to this example is a step "forward" for other applications in various fields

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