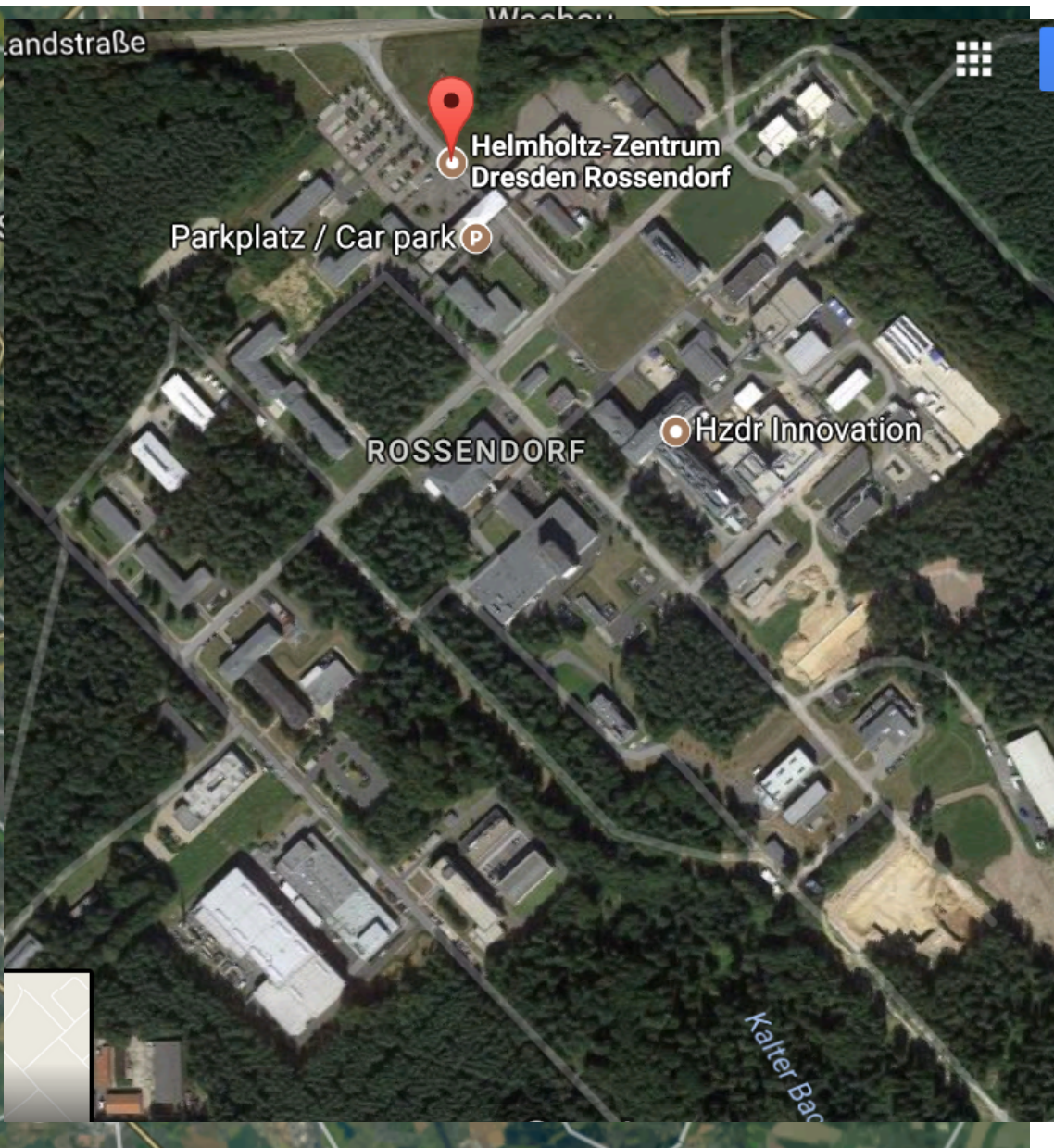


# *Doping of Ge via nonequilibrium processing*

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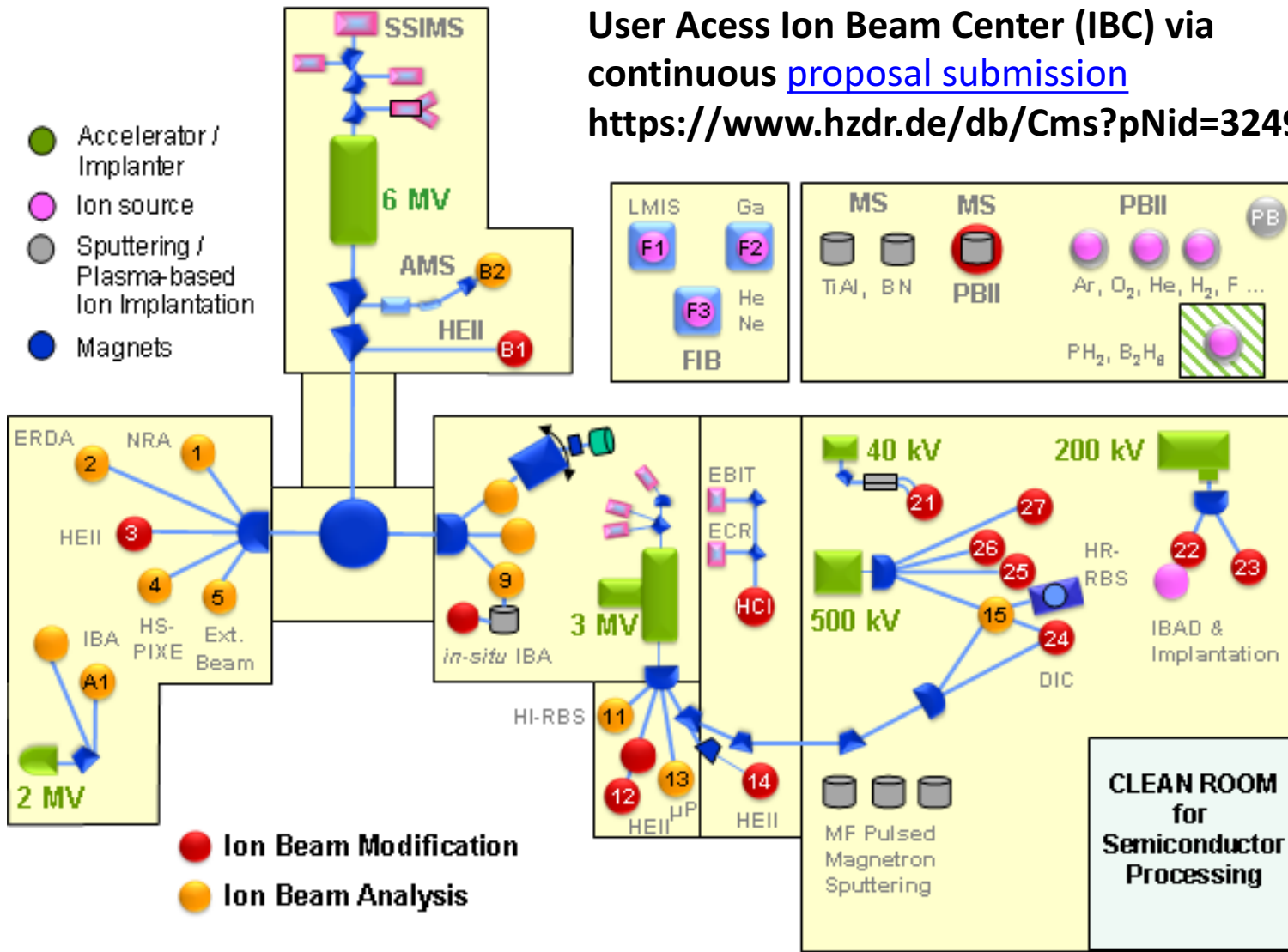


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# Ion implantation at HZDR

User Access Ion Beam Center (IBC) via  
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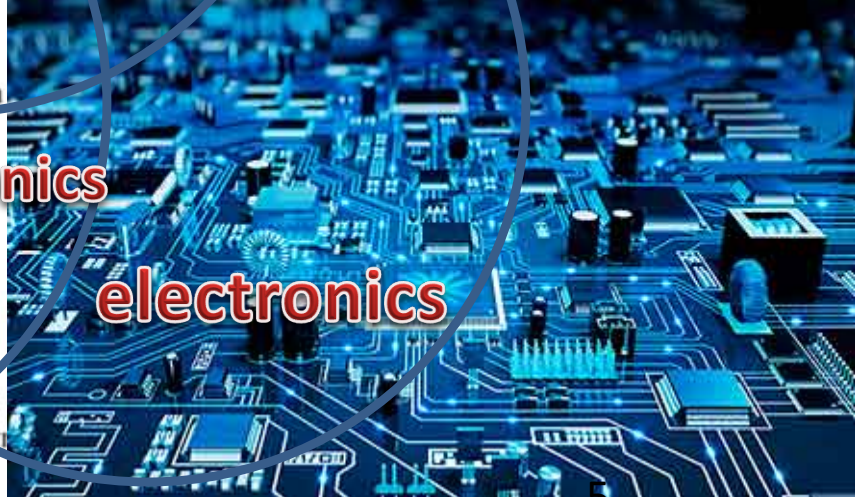
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# Application of Ge



optics



magnonics

plasmonics



spintronics

magnetism

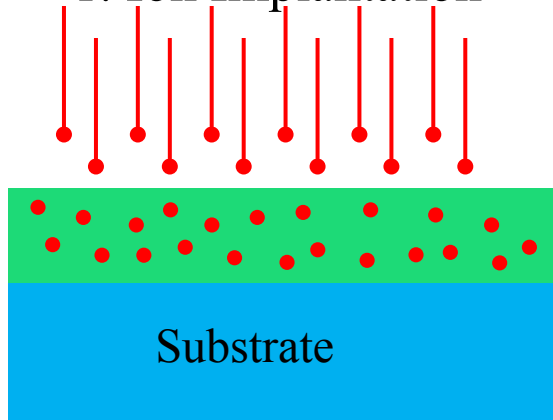
electronics

# Ultra-doped Ge and Ge-alloys

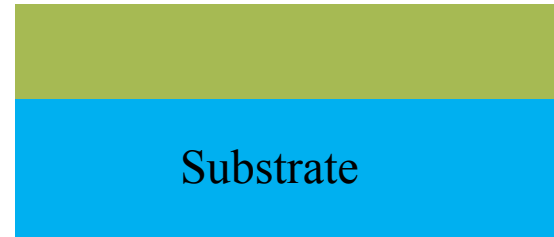
- MBE
- CVD
- Ion implantation + nonequilibrium annealing
- ...
  - Laser annealing (ns-range)
  - Plasma treatment ( $\mu$ s-range)
  - Flash lamp annealing (ms-range)

# Ion implantation

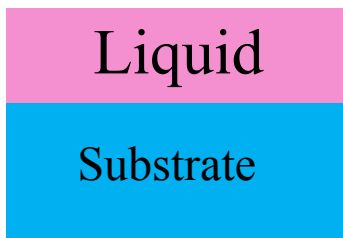
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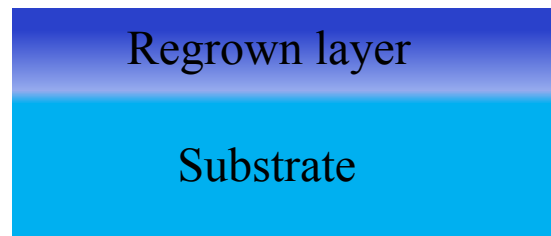
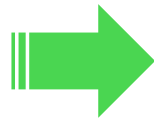
2. Thermal annealing



$$T_a > T_{\text{melt}}$$



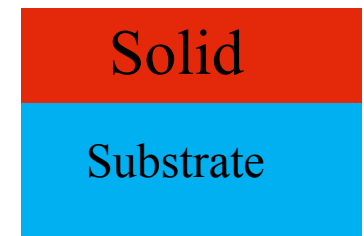
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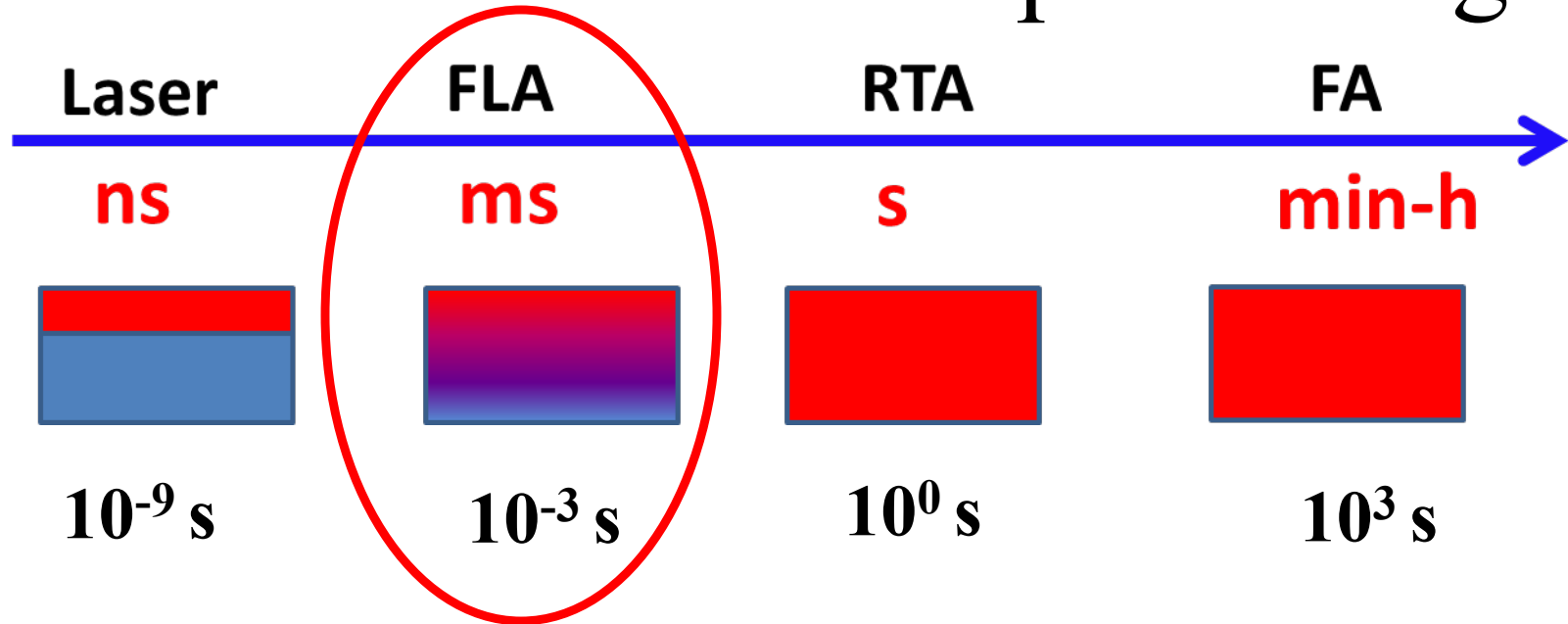
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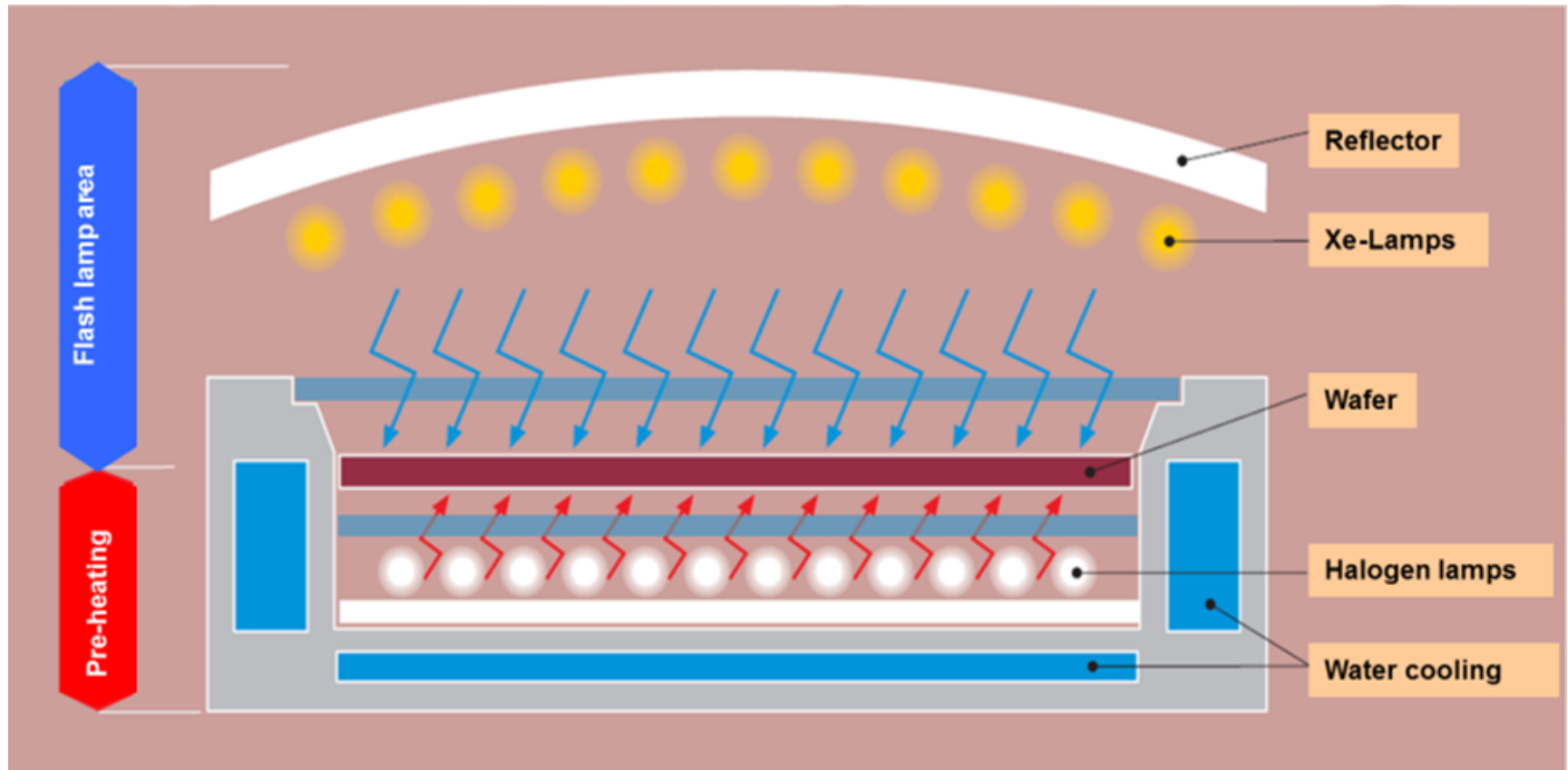
# Advanced thermal processing



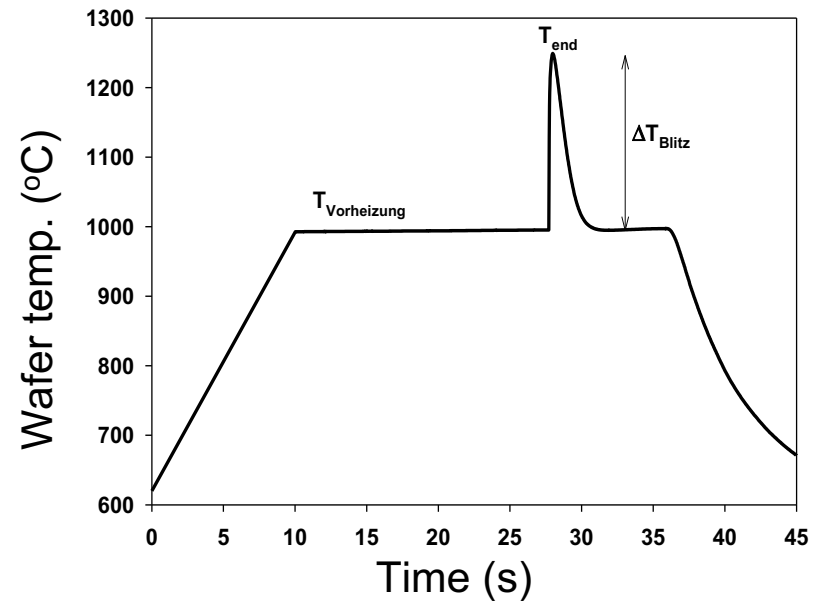
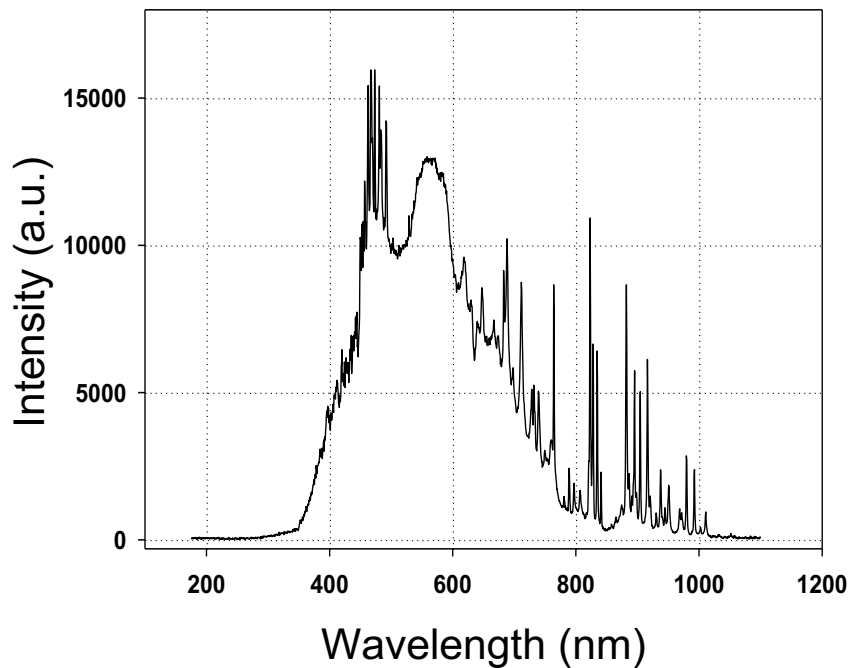
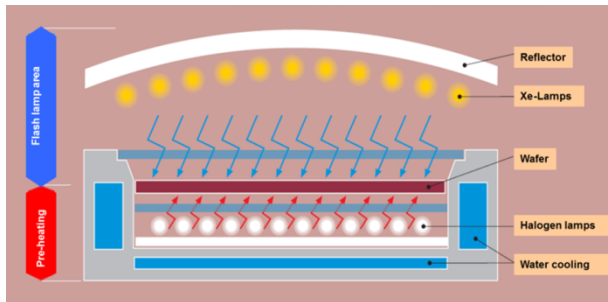
- **Ion implantation + Sub-second annealing:  
semiconductor processing far away  
from thermal equilibrium**



# Flash lamp system at HZDR



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# Flash lamp system



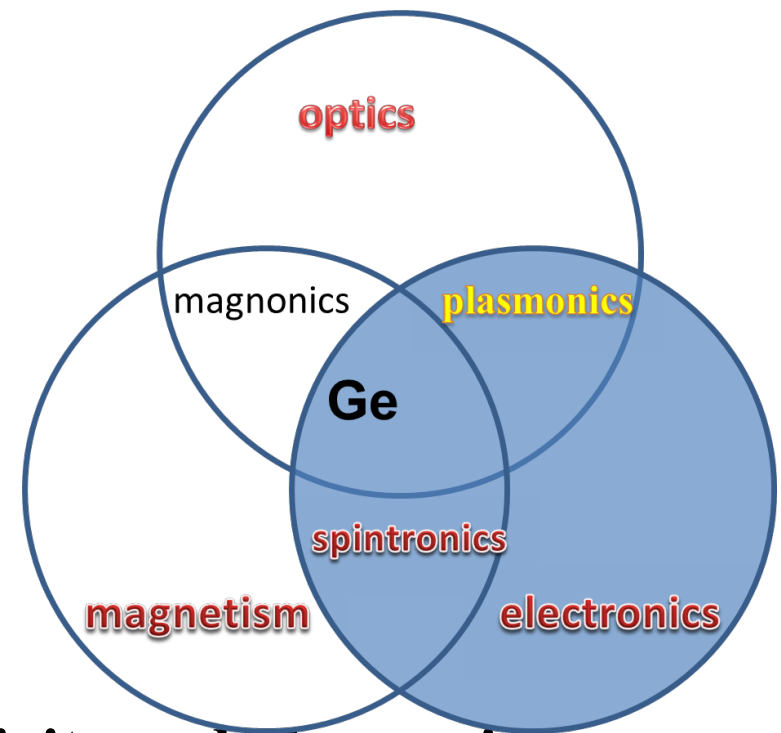
- FLA parameters

<https://www.hzdr.de/db/Cms?pNid=3235>

- Lab scale up to 8 inch for single shot
- Max temp. up to 2000 °C (achieved in SiC)
- Annealing time 0.6 to 20 ms
- Possible preheating up to 900 °C

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# Ultra-doped Ge

## superconductivity

### Requirements:

p-type Ge

Al, Ga, In

carrier concentration  $>5 \times 10^{20} \text{cm}^{-3}$

Single crystalline material

### Challenges:

Dopant Segregation: metallic clusters

Low solubility limit ( $<5 \times 10^{20} \text{cm}^{-3}$ )

Diffusion

### Dreams:

Quantum computers

Ultra-low power consumption devices

## plasmonics

### Requirements:

n-type Ge

P or As

carrier concentration  $>5 \times 10^{19} \text{cm}^{-3}$

Single crystalline material

### Challenges:

Dopant Segregation

out-diffusion

Low solubility limit ( $<2 \times 10^{20} \text{cm}^{-3}$ )

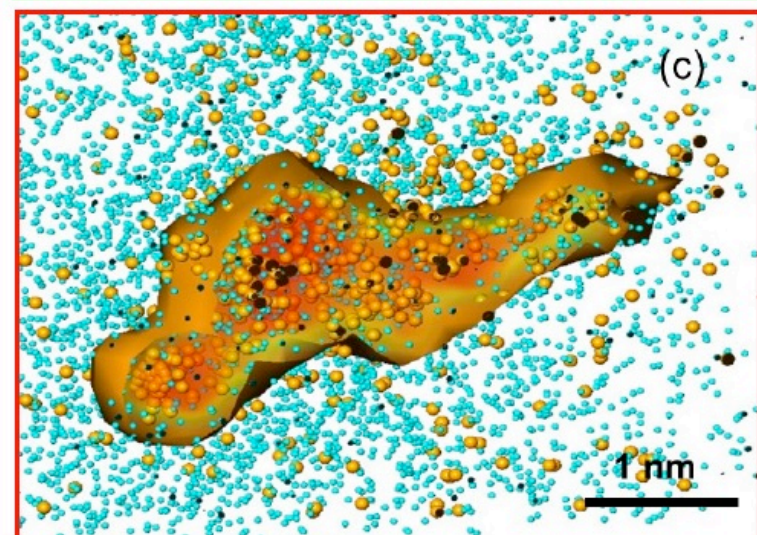
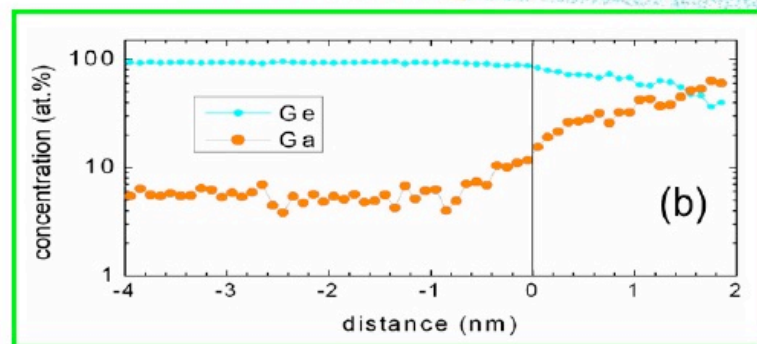
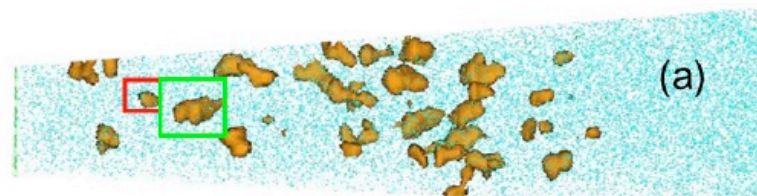
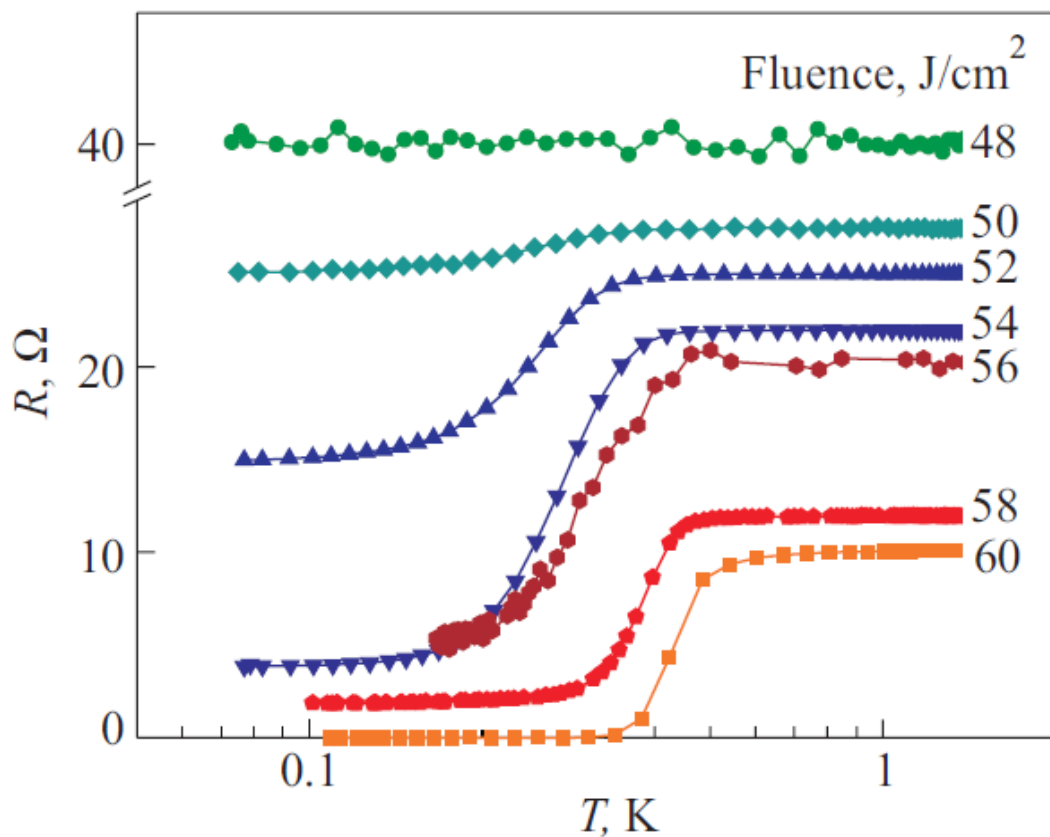
p-type defects

### Dreams:

Detectors for bio-...

Lasers

# Ultra-doped Ge: superconductivity

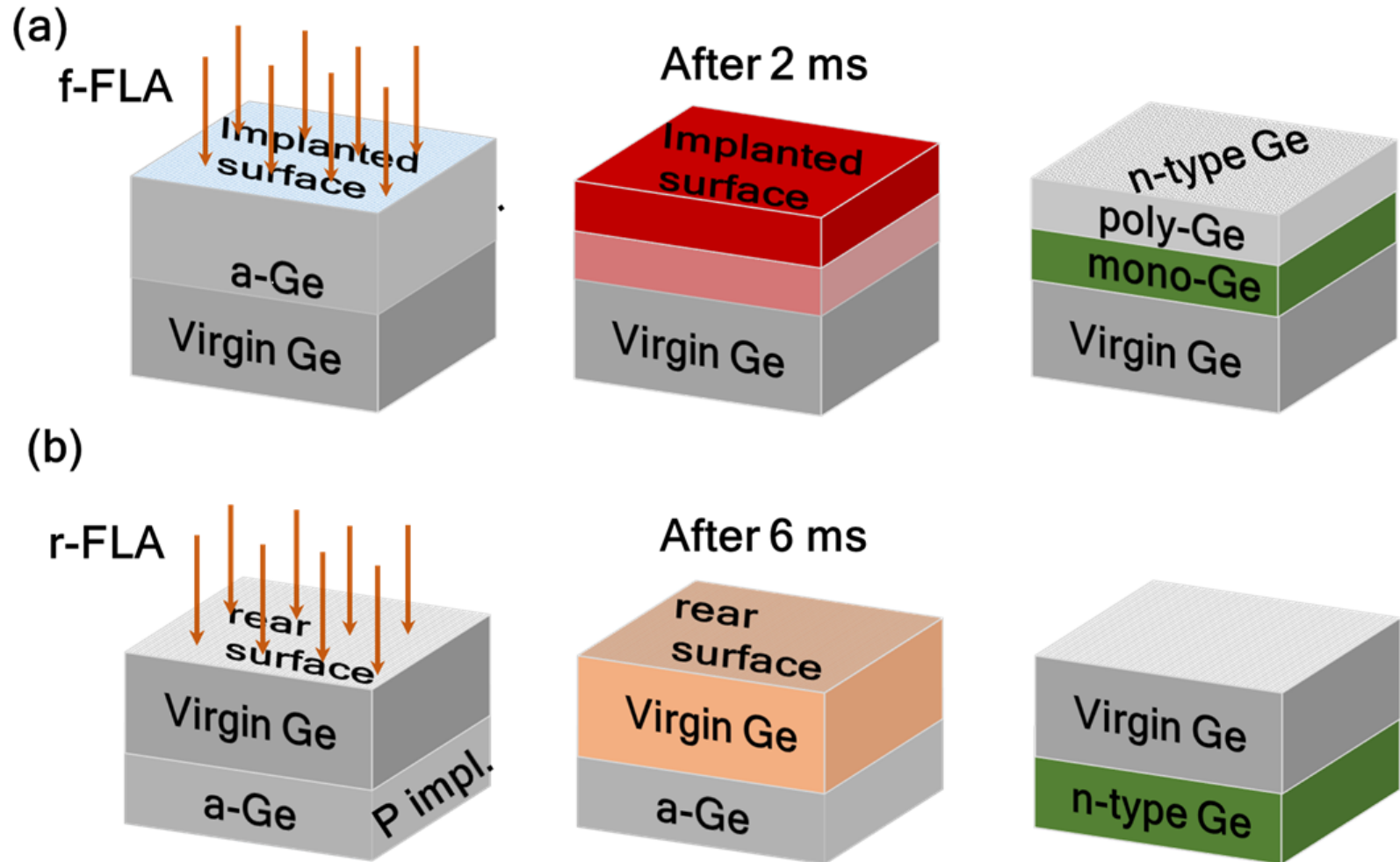


Ga concentration:  $4 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

After: V. Heera et al. Low Temperature, 37, 1098 (2011)

Supercond. Sci. Technol. **27** (2014) 055025

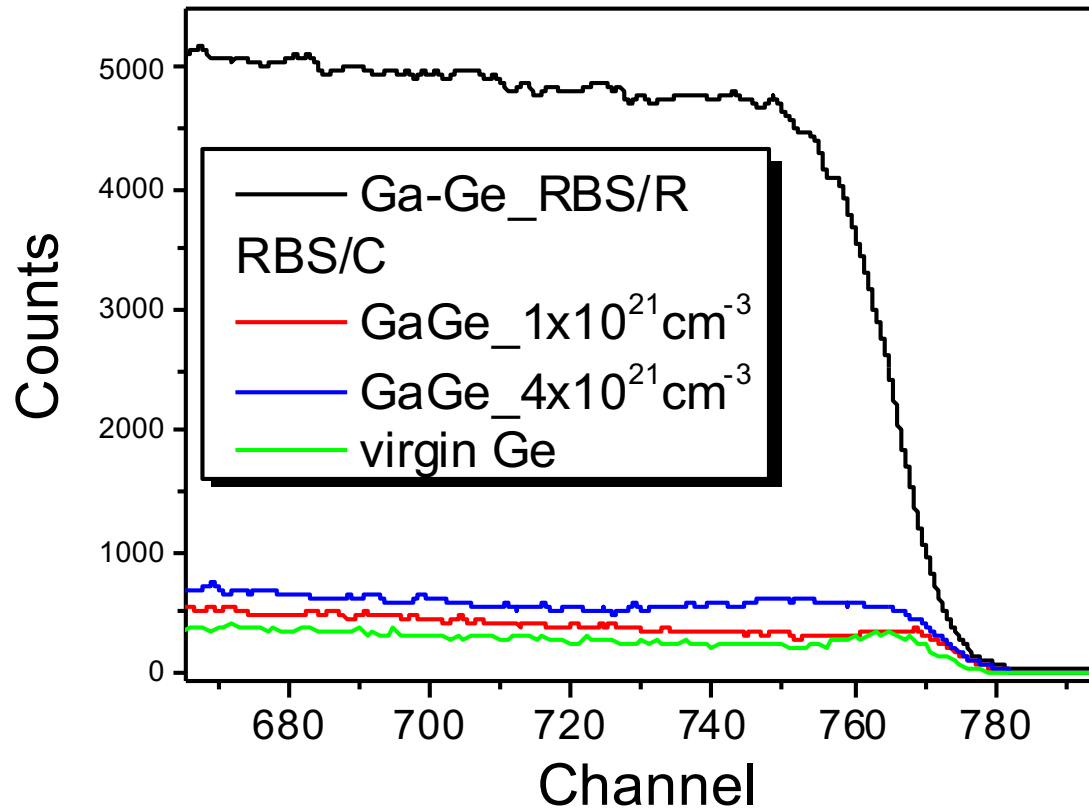
# f-FLA vs r-FLA



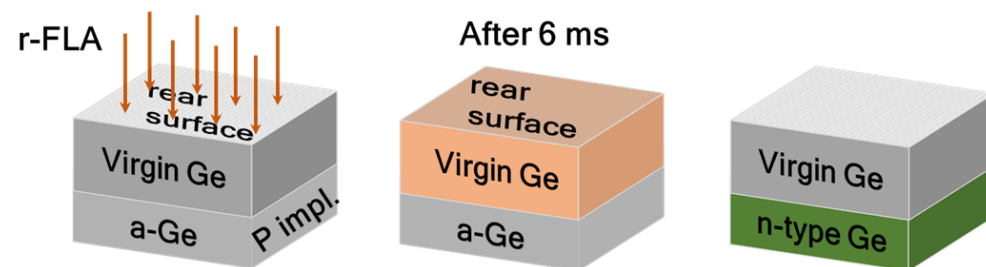
S. Prucnal, *et al.* Sci. Rep. **6**, 27643 (2016).

# Ultra-doped Ge: superconductivity

New approach for the old samples: r-FLA



Annealing: r-FLA for 20 ms at  $115 \text{ Jcm}^{-2}$





# Ultra-doped Ge: superconductivity

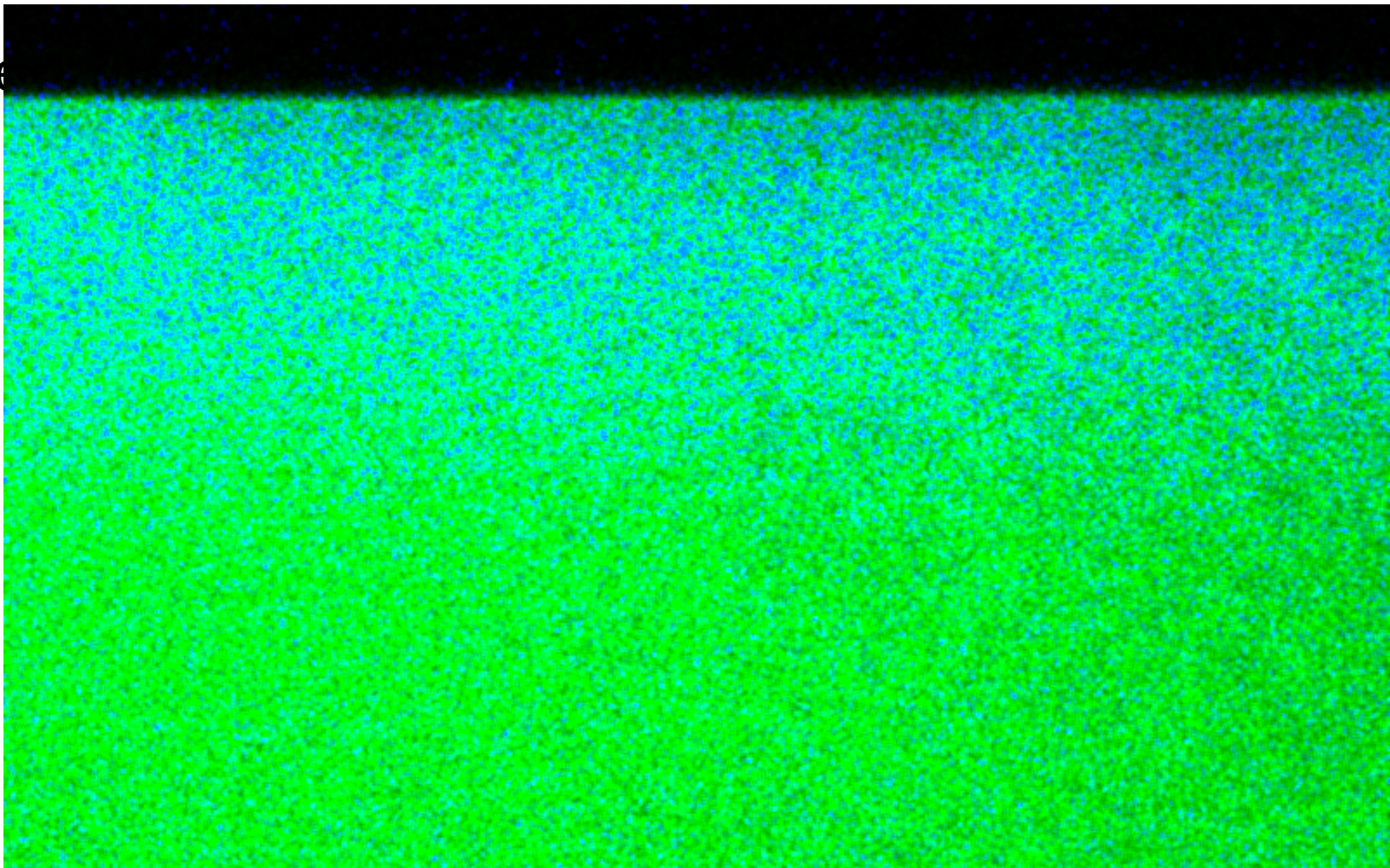
Ne

$10^{21} \text{cm}^{-3}$ )

Ga

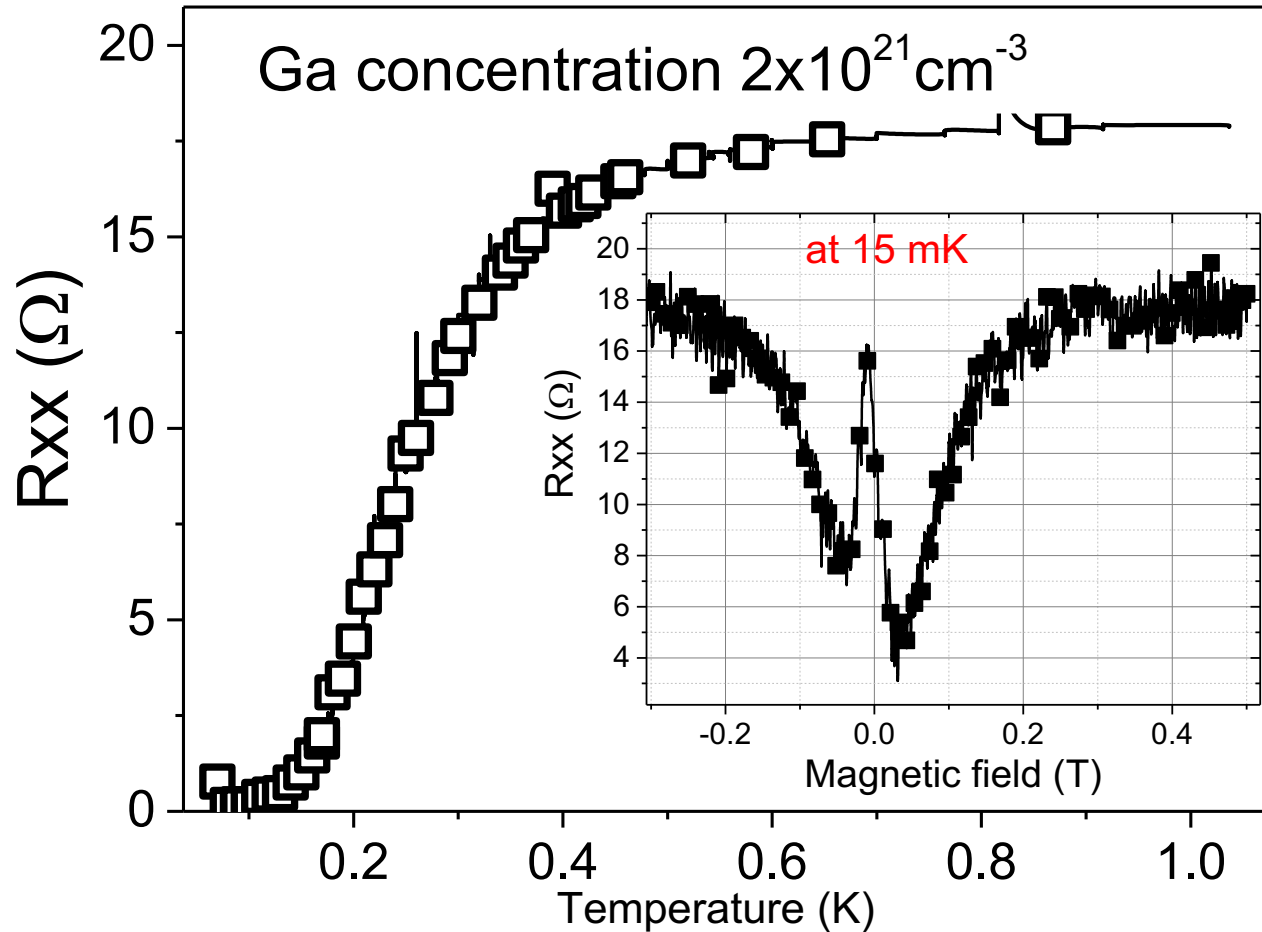
Ge

Si

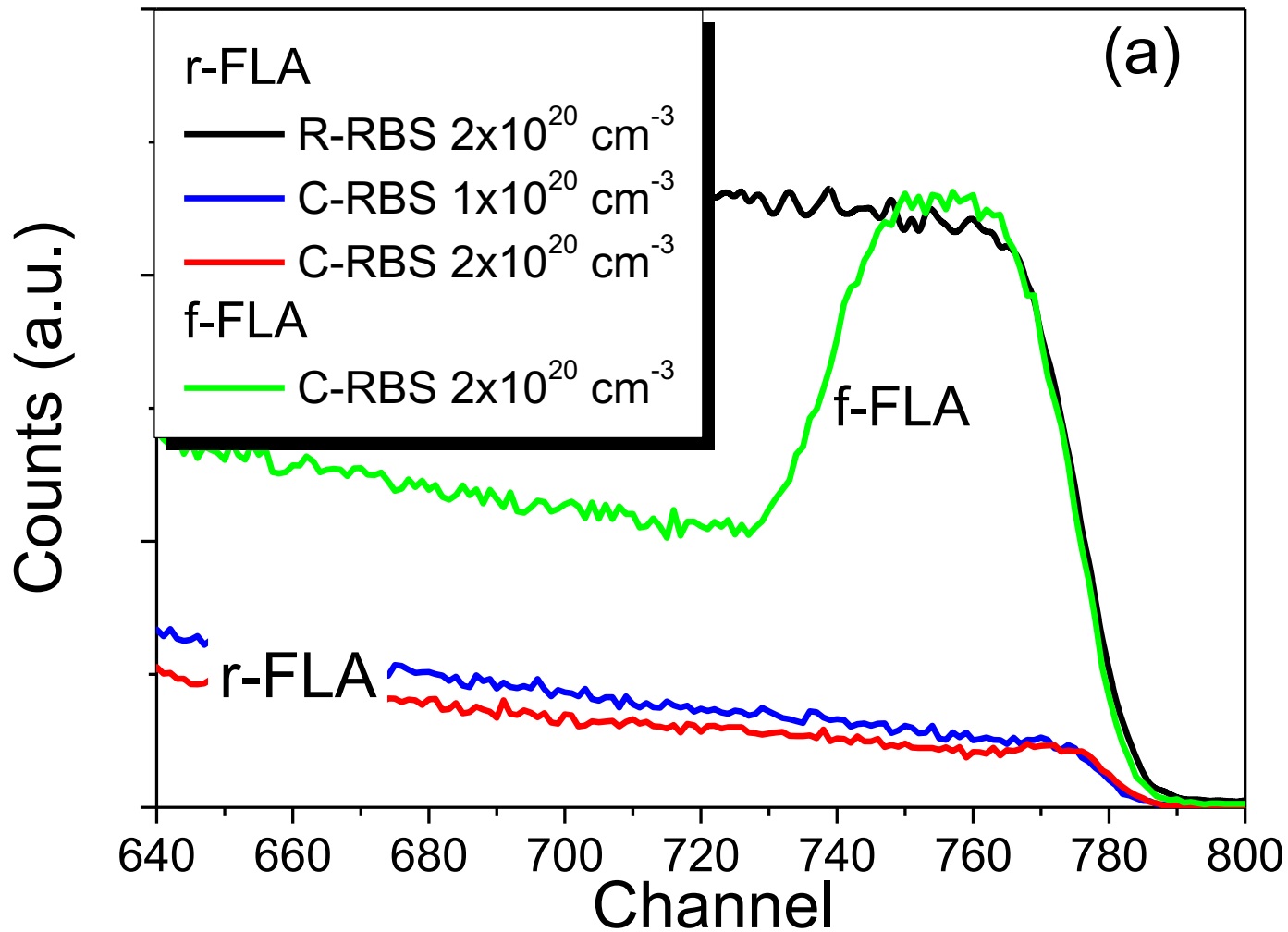


50 nm

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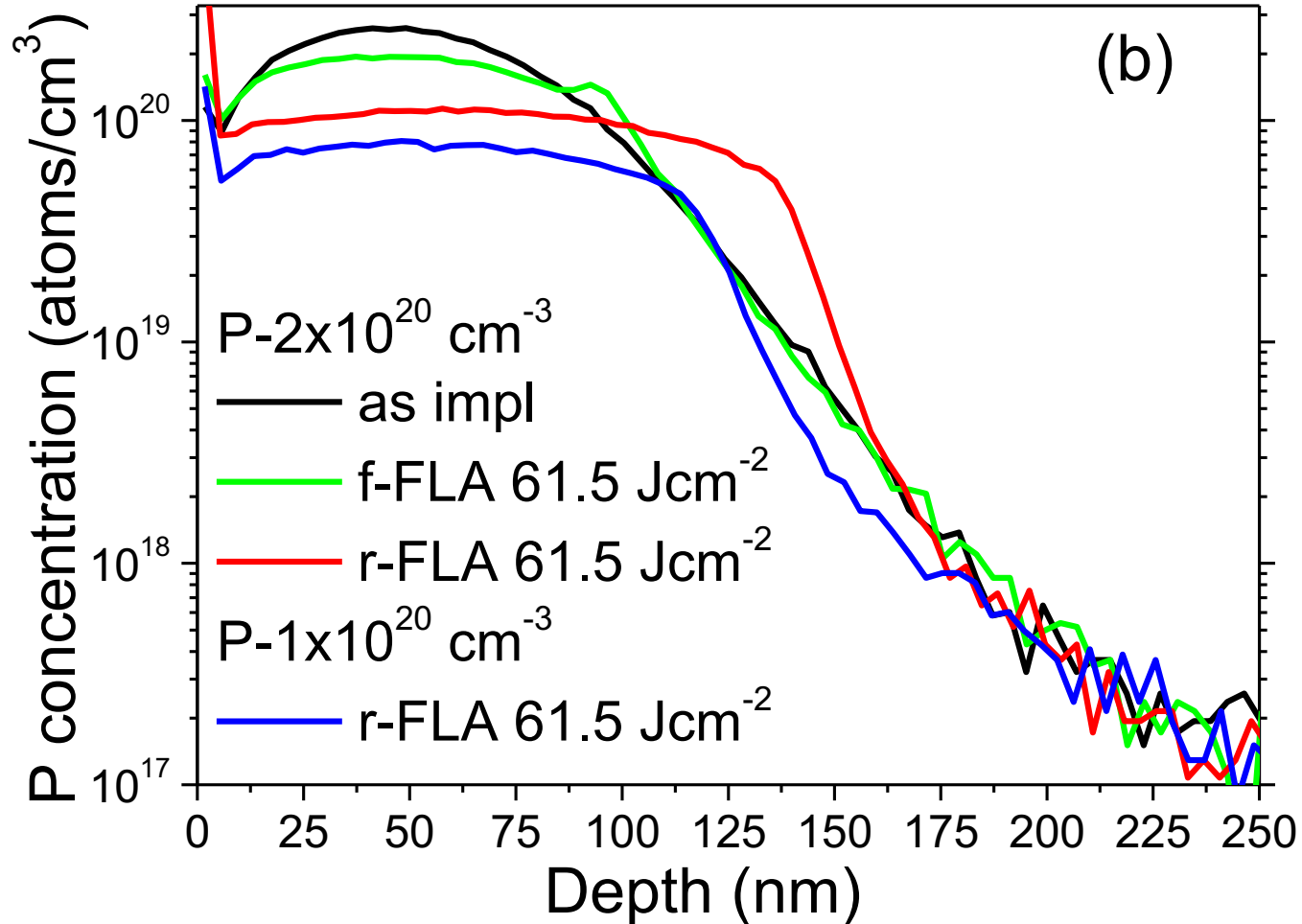
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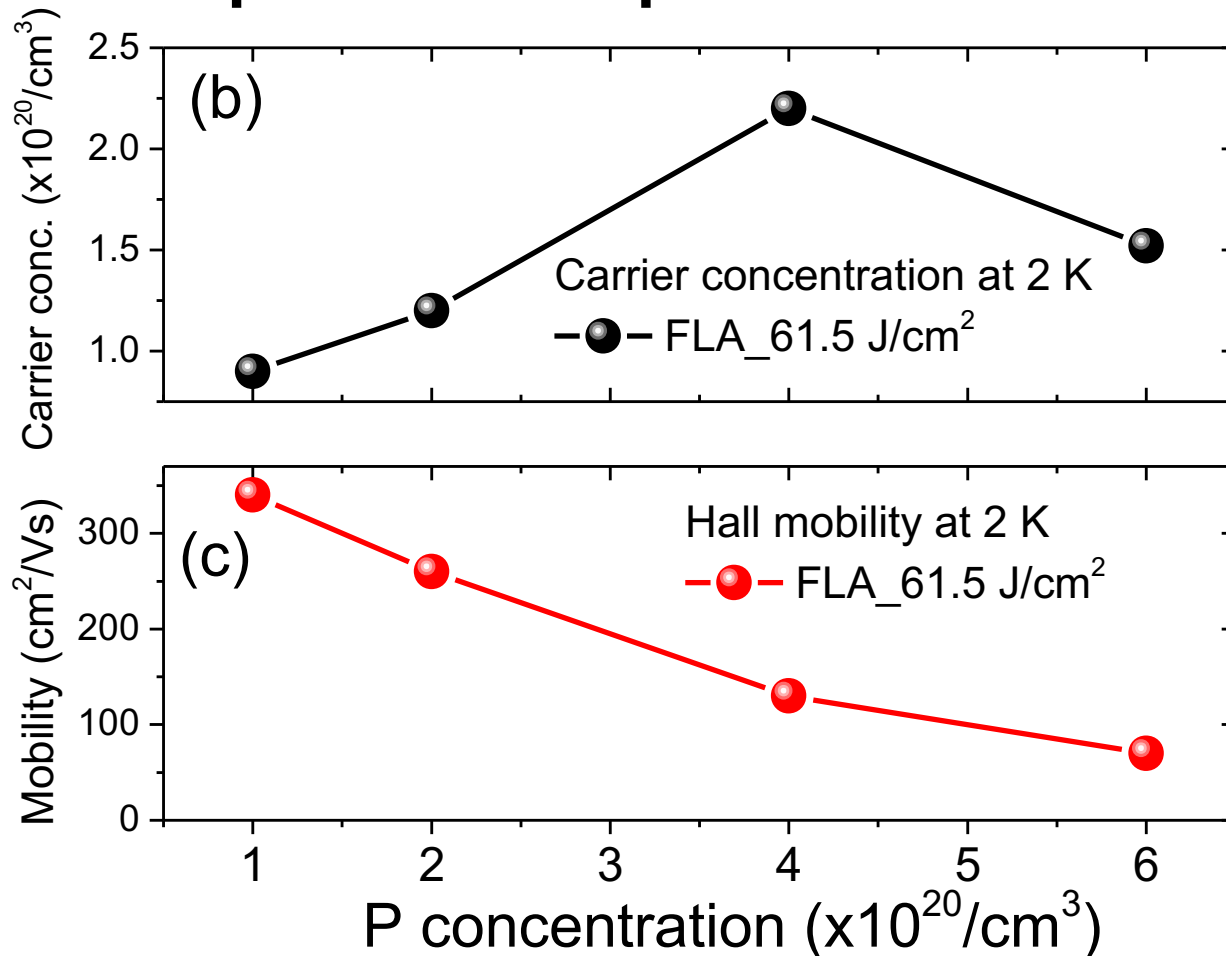
RBS from P implanted Ge followed by r-FLA

# Ultra-doped Ge: plasmonics

SIMS



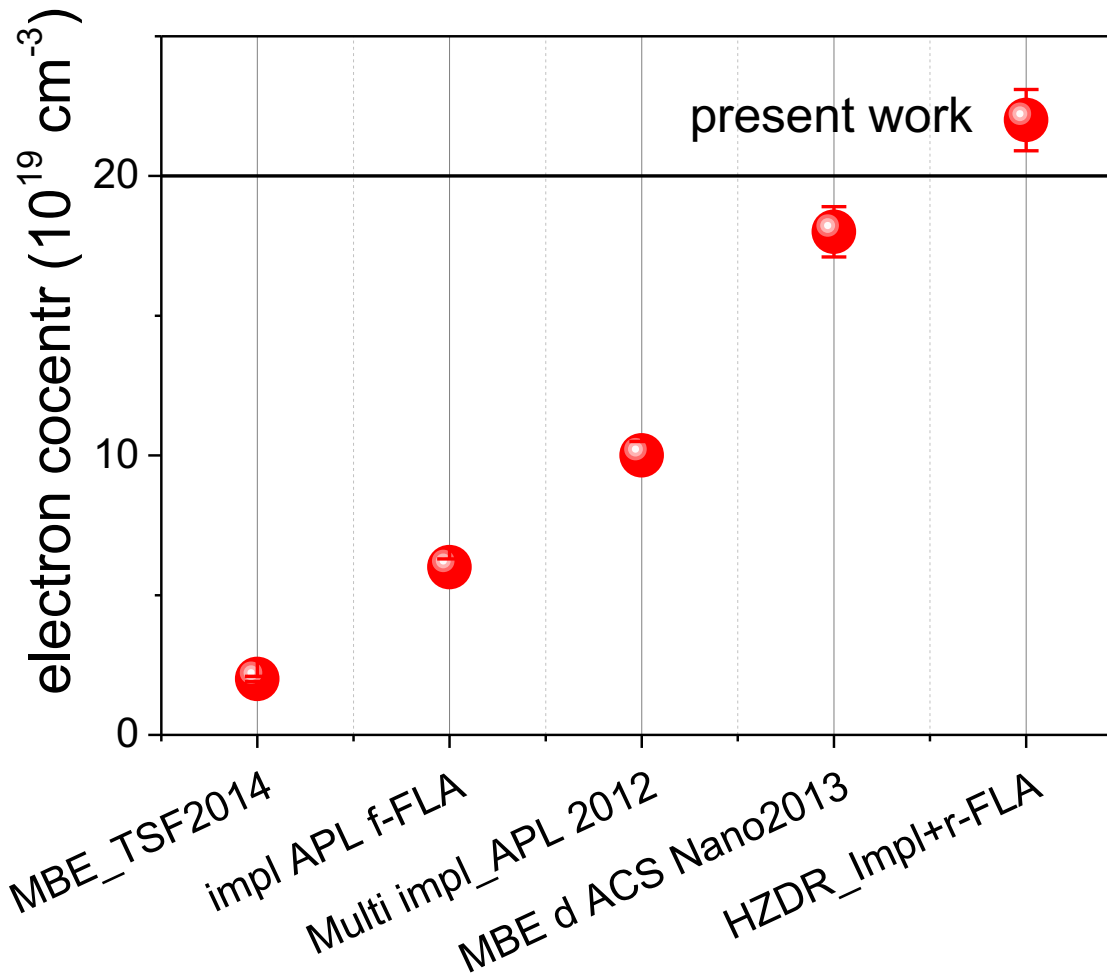
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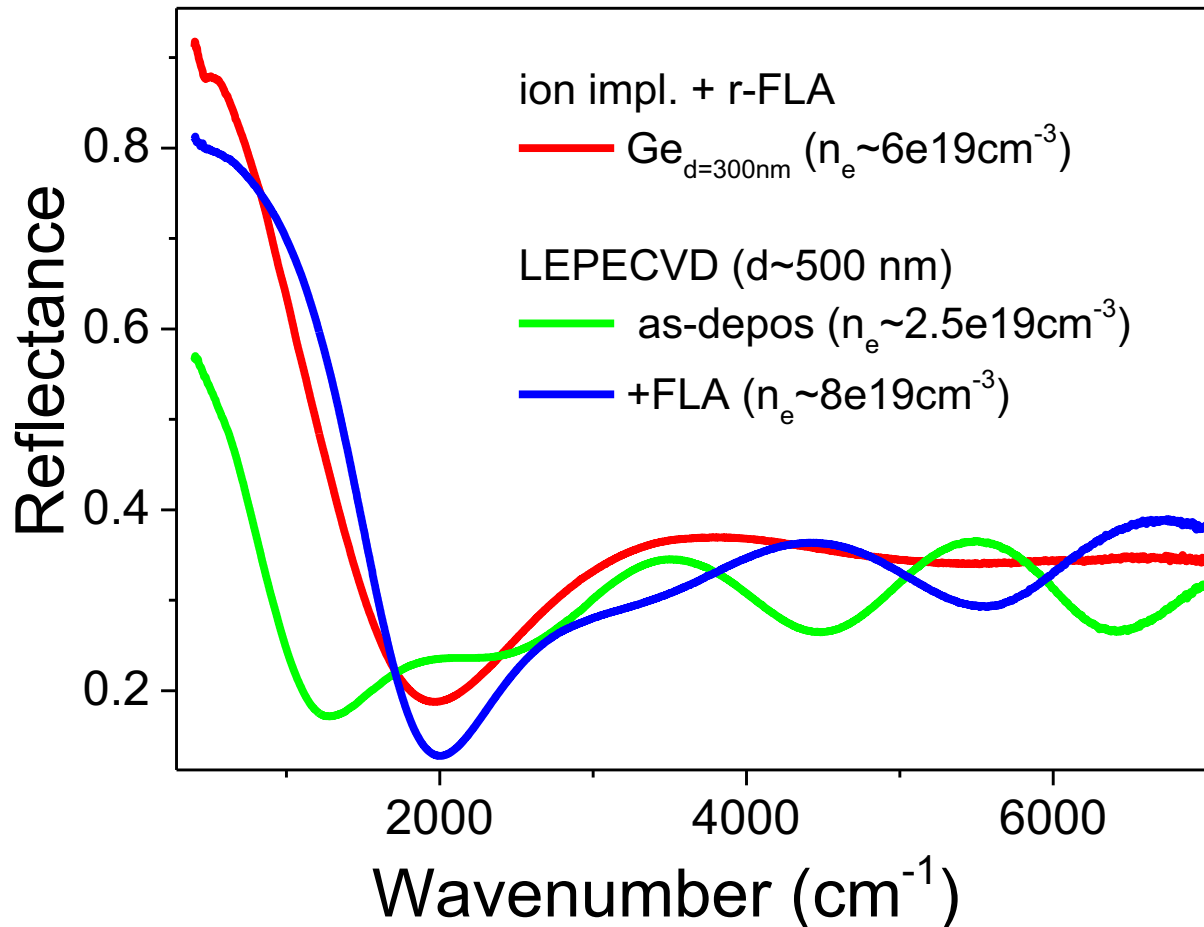
Hall effect

The highest activation efficiency (above 80 %) was obtained for P concentration of  $2 \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ . The doping above  $4 \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  leads to electrically non-active P-P dimer formation.

# Ultra-doped Ge: plasmonics



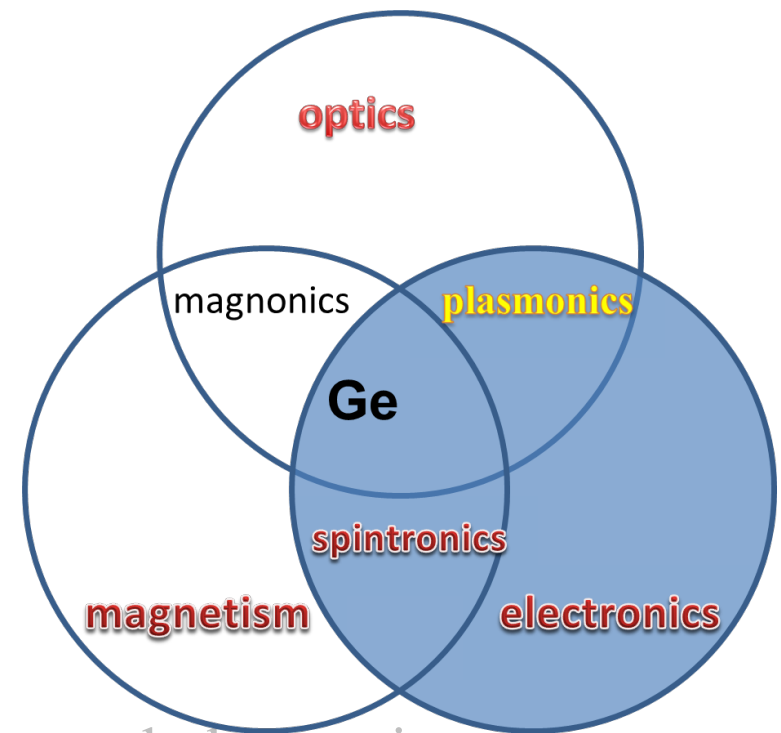
# Ultra-doped Ge: plasmonics



LE PECVD samples are from G. Isella L-NESS, Milano

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# Ultra-doped Ge: electronics

Yesterday



Today



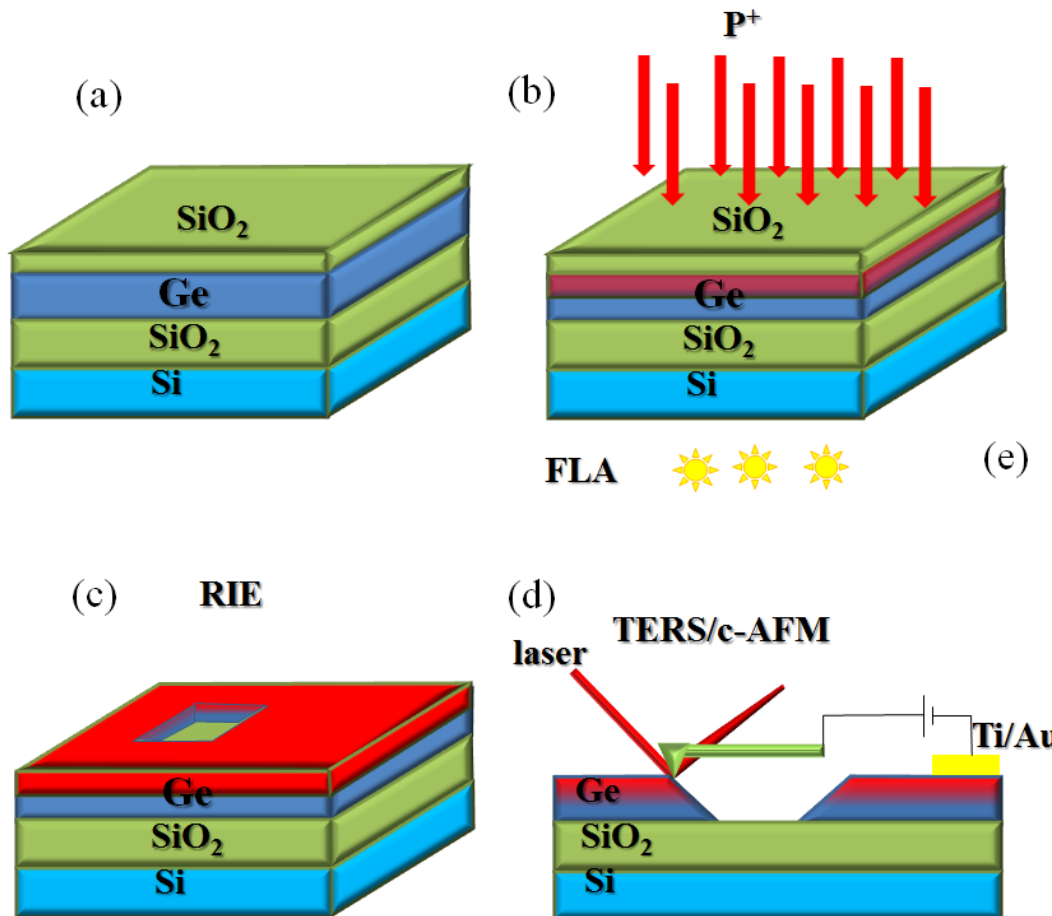
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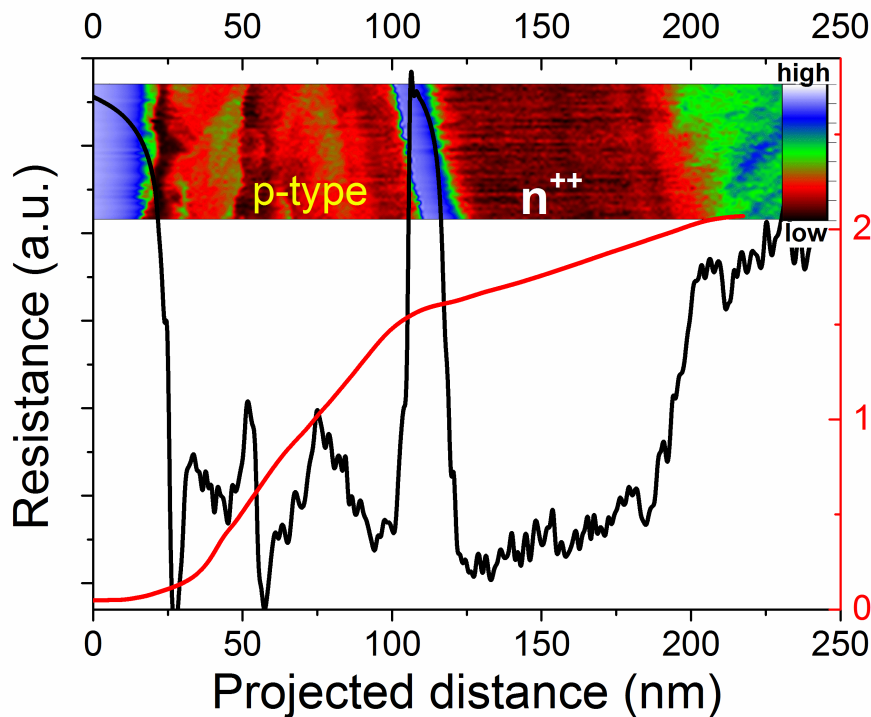


# Ultra-doped Ge: electronics



1. SiO<sub>2</sub> deposition
2. ion implantation ( $5 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-2}$ )
3. rear side FLA for 20 ms
4. SiO<sub>2</sub> etching
5. e-beam lithography
6. reactive ion etching (SF<sub>6</sub>+O<sub>2</sub>)
7. ohmic contact formation to n-type Ge (Ti/Au)
8. characterization by TERS and c-AFM

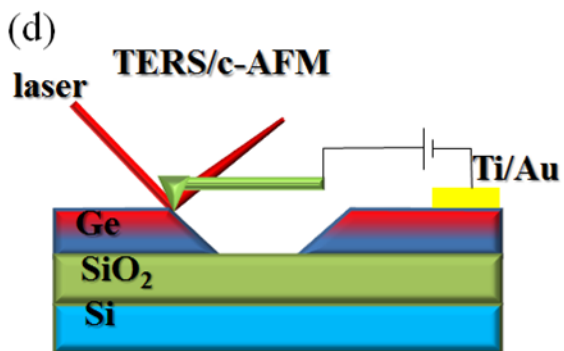
# Ultra-doped Ge: electronics



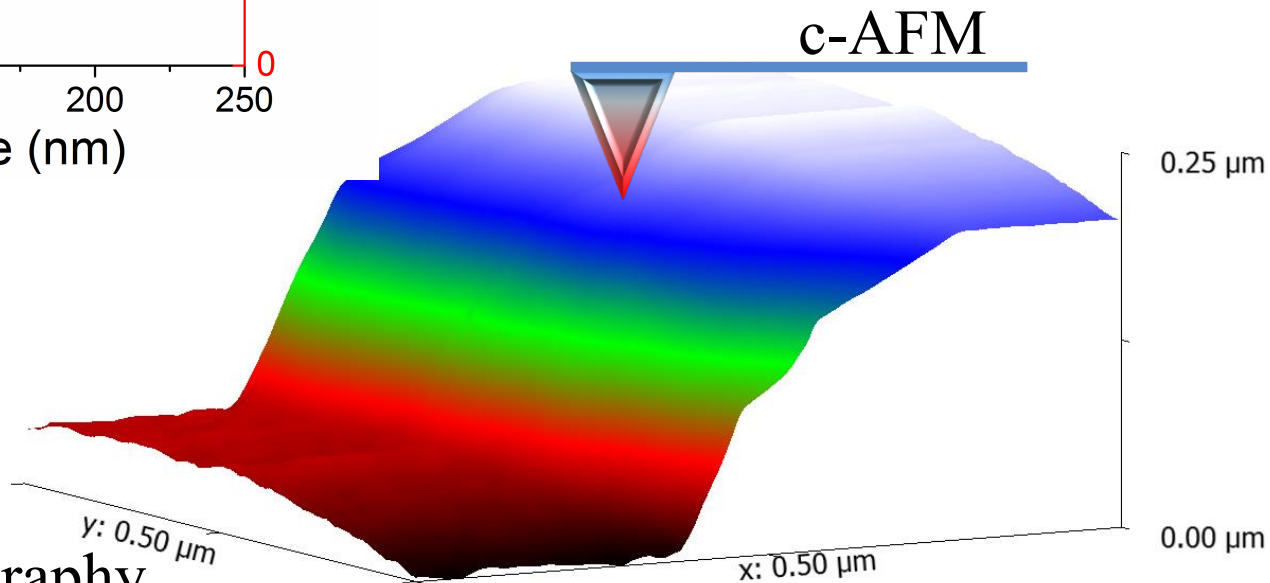
The resistance mapping over the n<sup>++</sup>-p junction in GeOI made by c-AFM

Bevel height (nm)

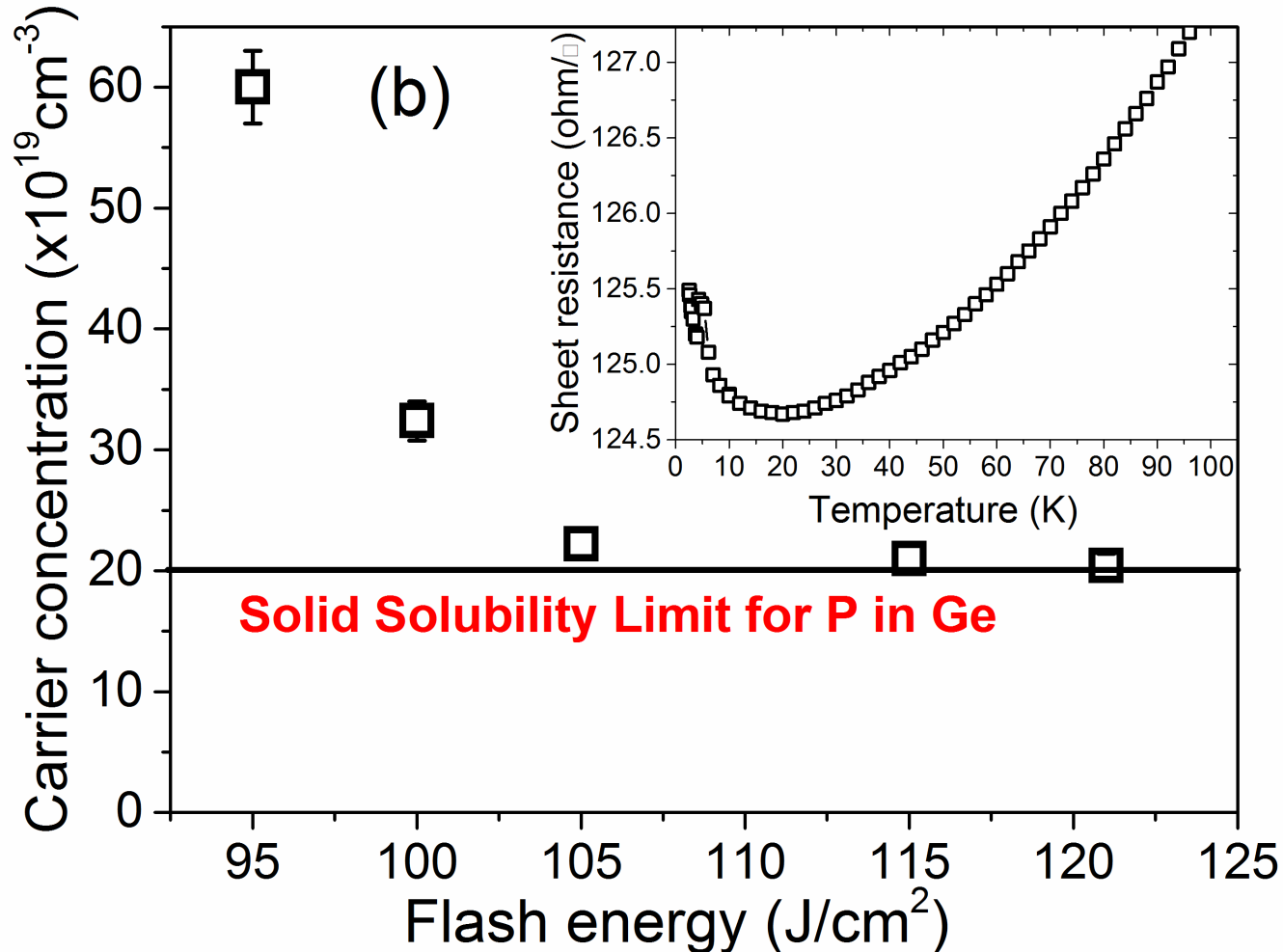
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Topography

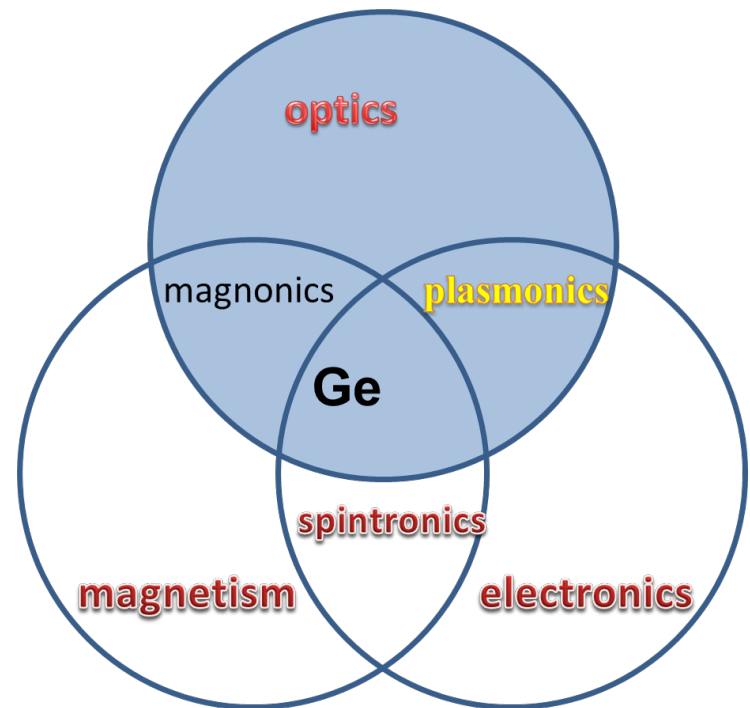


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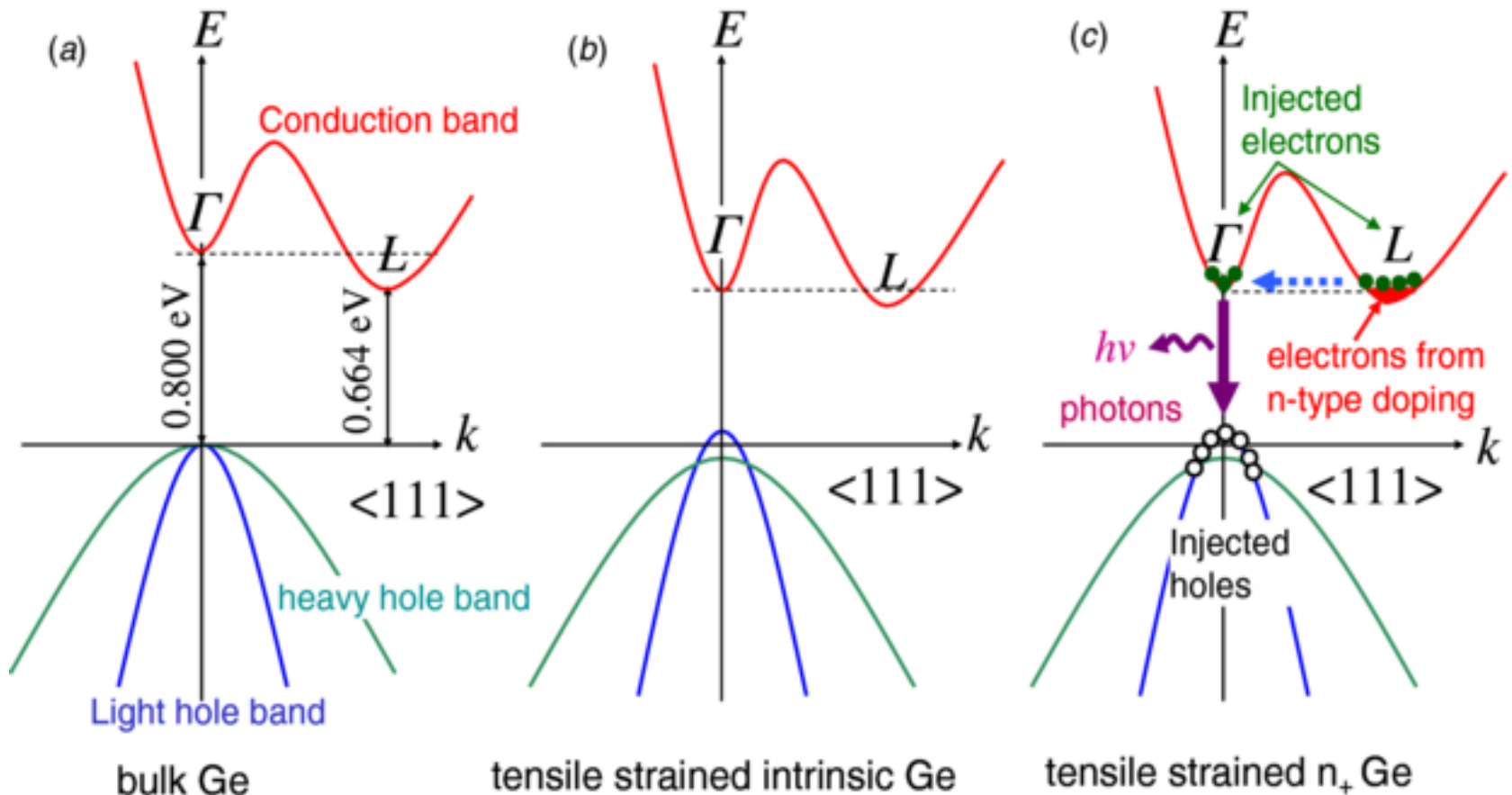


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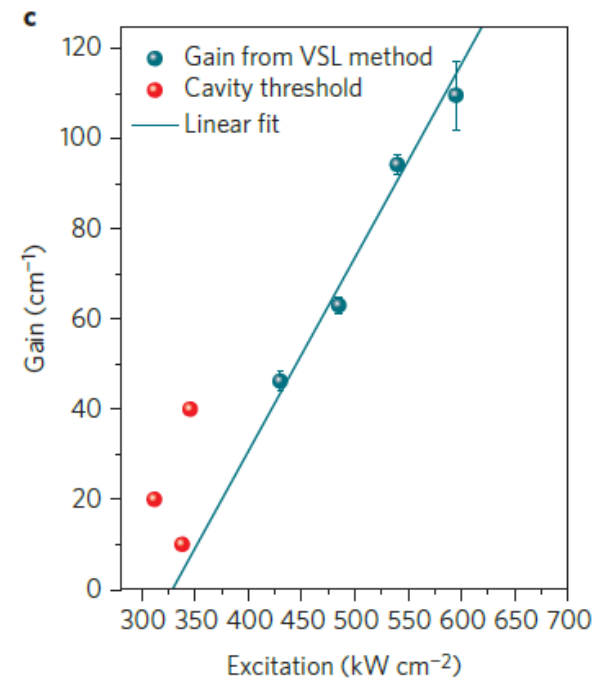
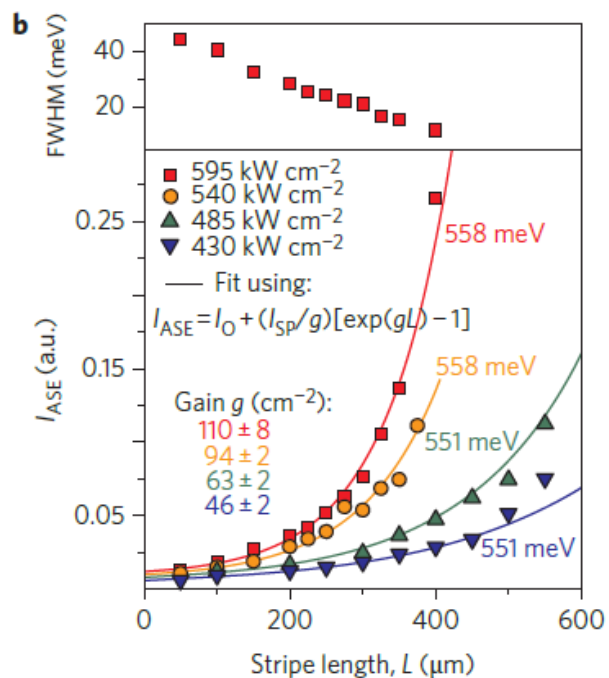
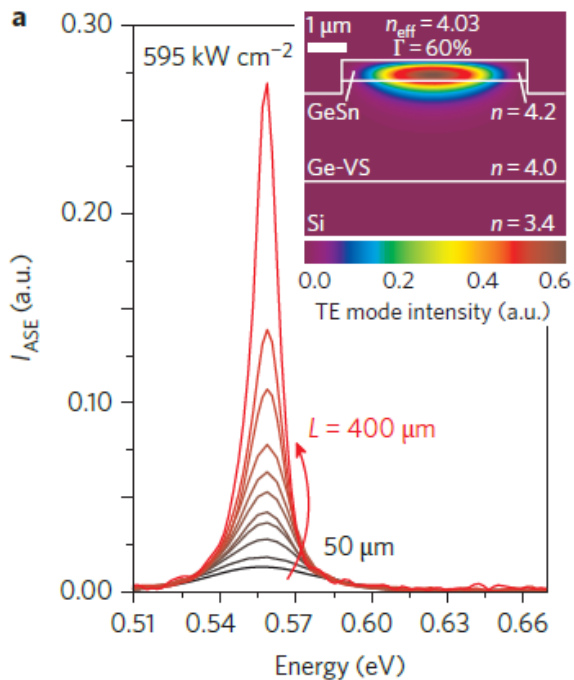
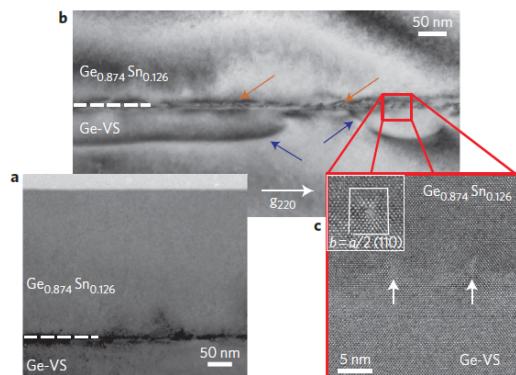
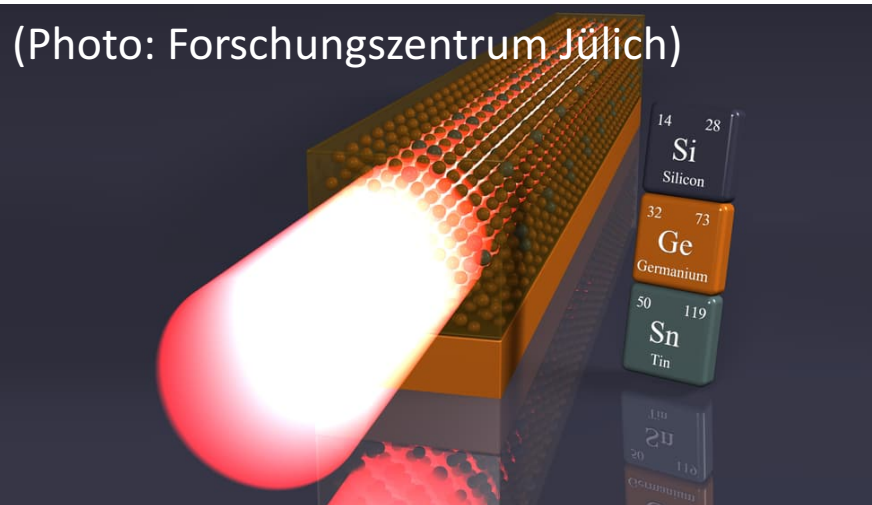


# Band gap engineering in Ge



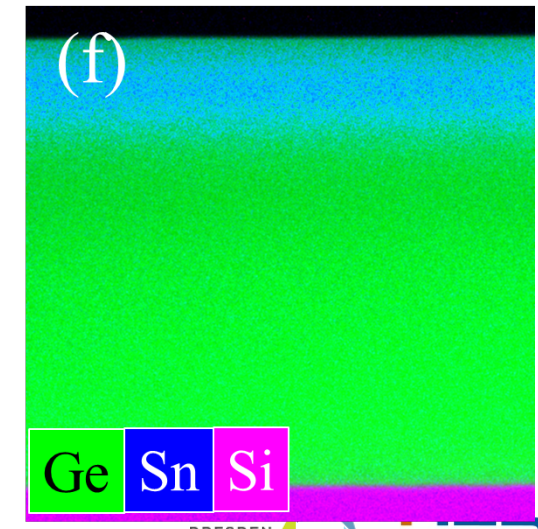
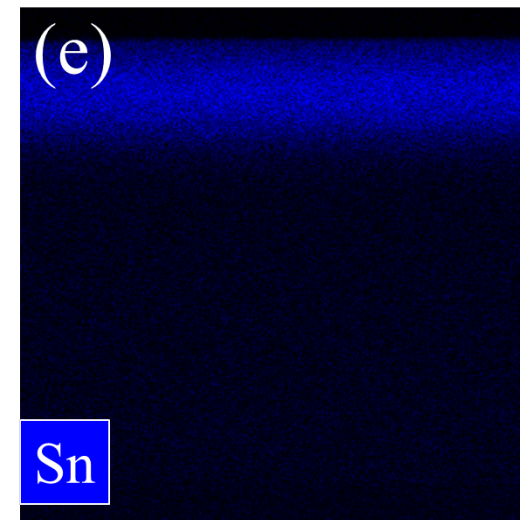
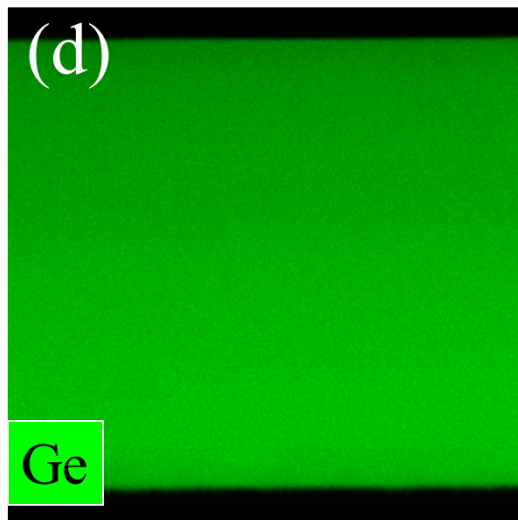
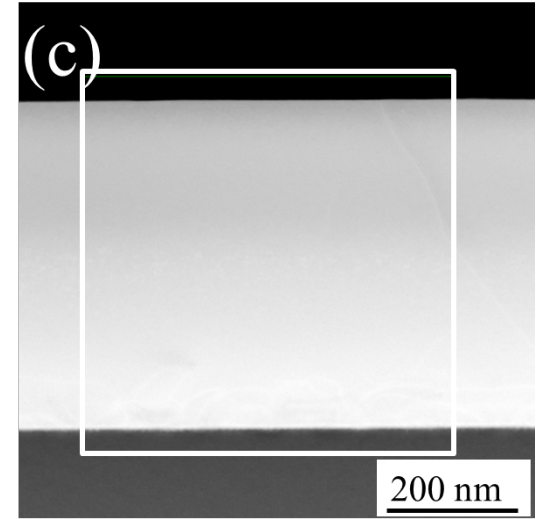
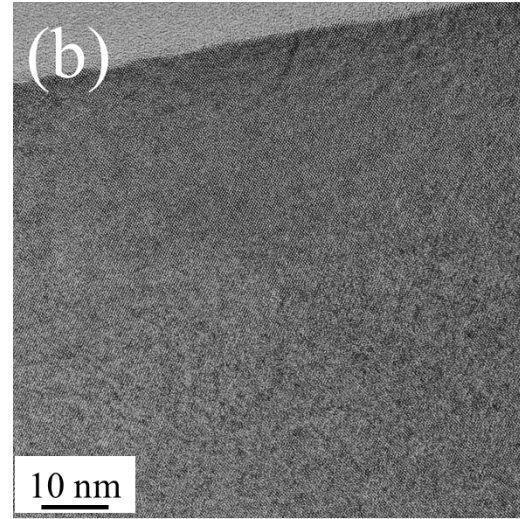
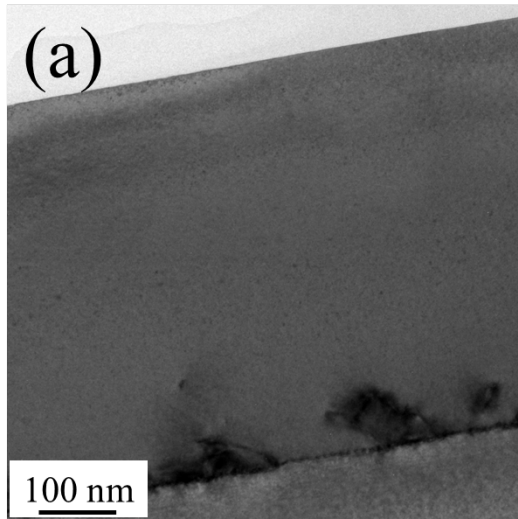
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# Ge for lasers



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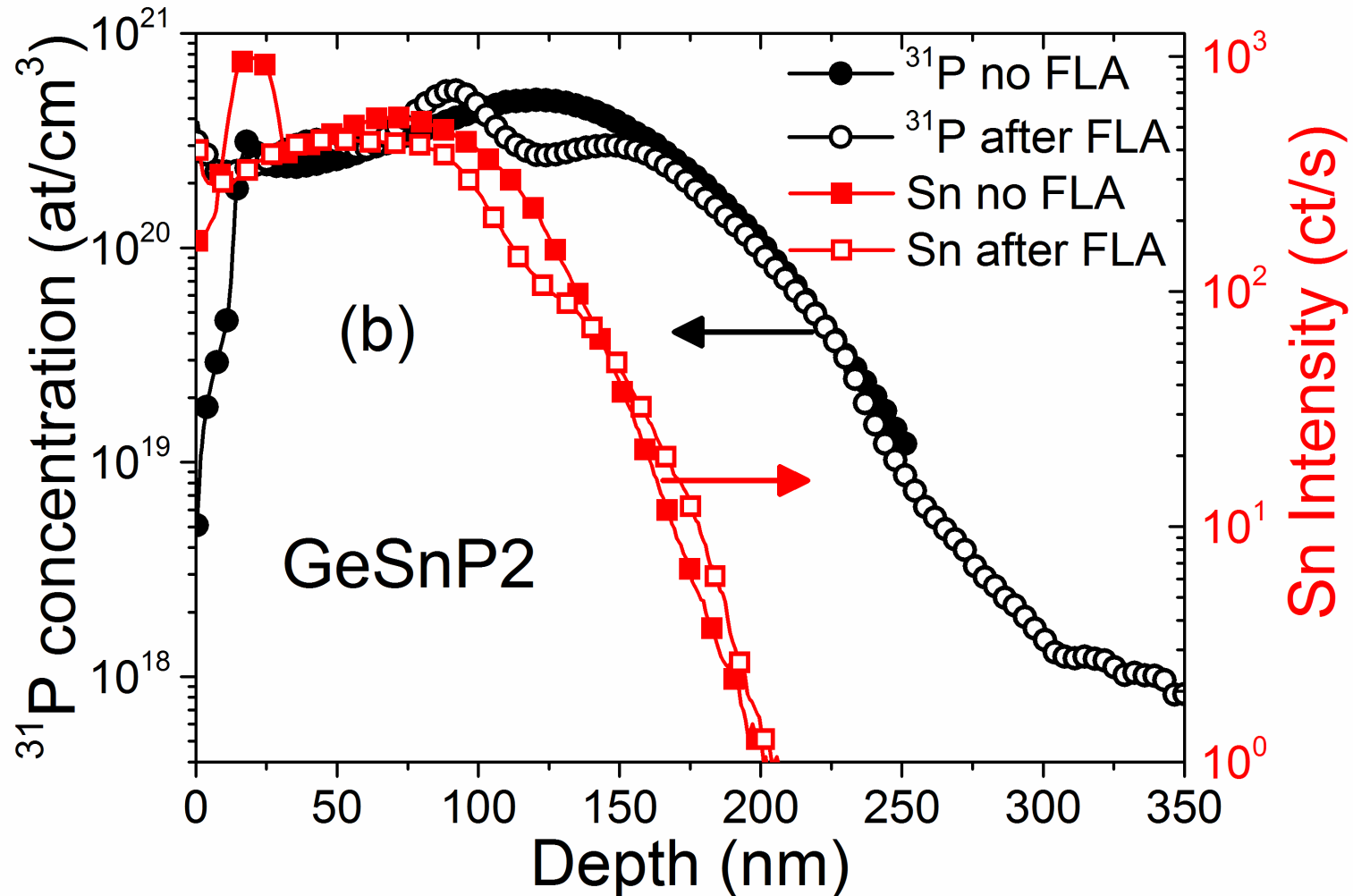
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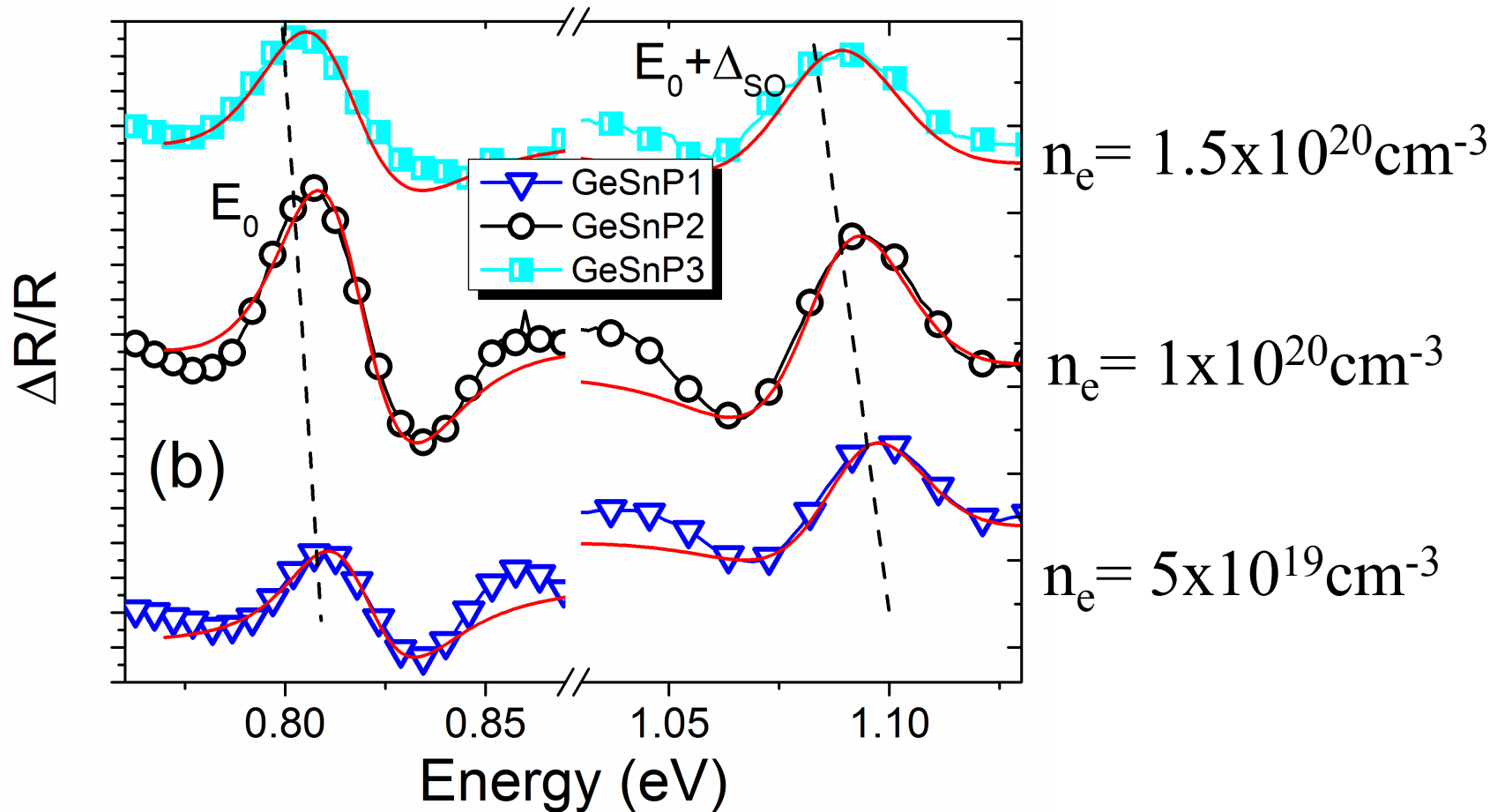


# Ge and GeSn for lasers

SIMS



# Ge and GeSn for lasers



**Room-temperature photoreflectance (PR) spectra** measured for  $\text{Ge}_{0.97}\text{Sn}_{0.03}$  alloys with different concentrations of P after flash lamp annealing for 3 ms.

# Conclusions

- Ge is fully compatible with Si technology
- Ge-based plasmonics and electronics are established.
- First attempt towards direct band gap Ge is demonstrated.

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