

# Size dependences III-nitride nanowires

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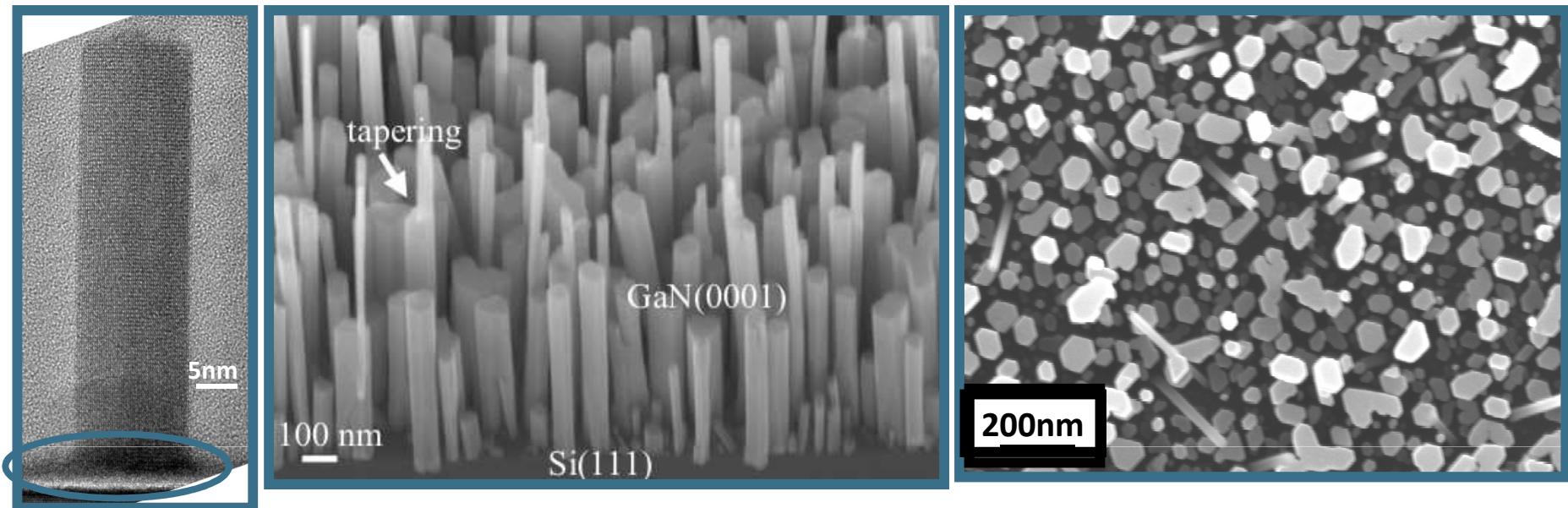
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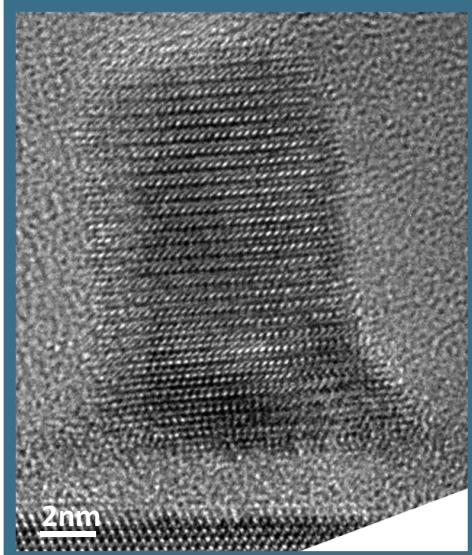
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# Crystalline quality



## MBE-grown NWs in N-rich conditions

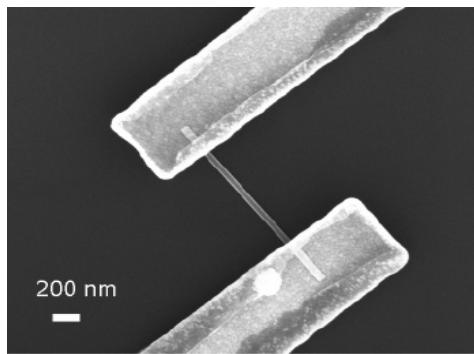


Hexagonal shape  
Growth direction // GaN [0001]  
Length: 0.3 - 2  $\mu$ m  
Diameter: 20-500 nm  
Interface: amorphous layer

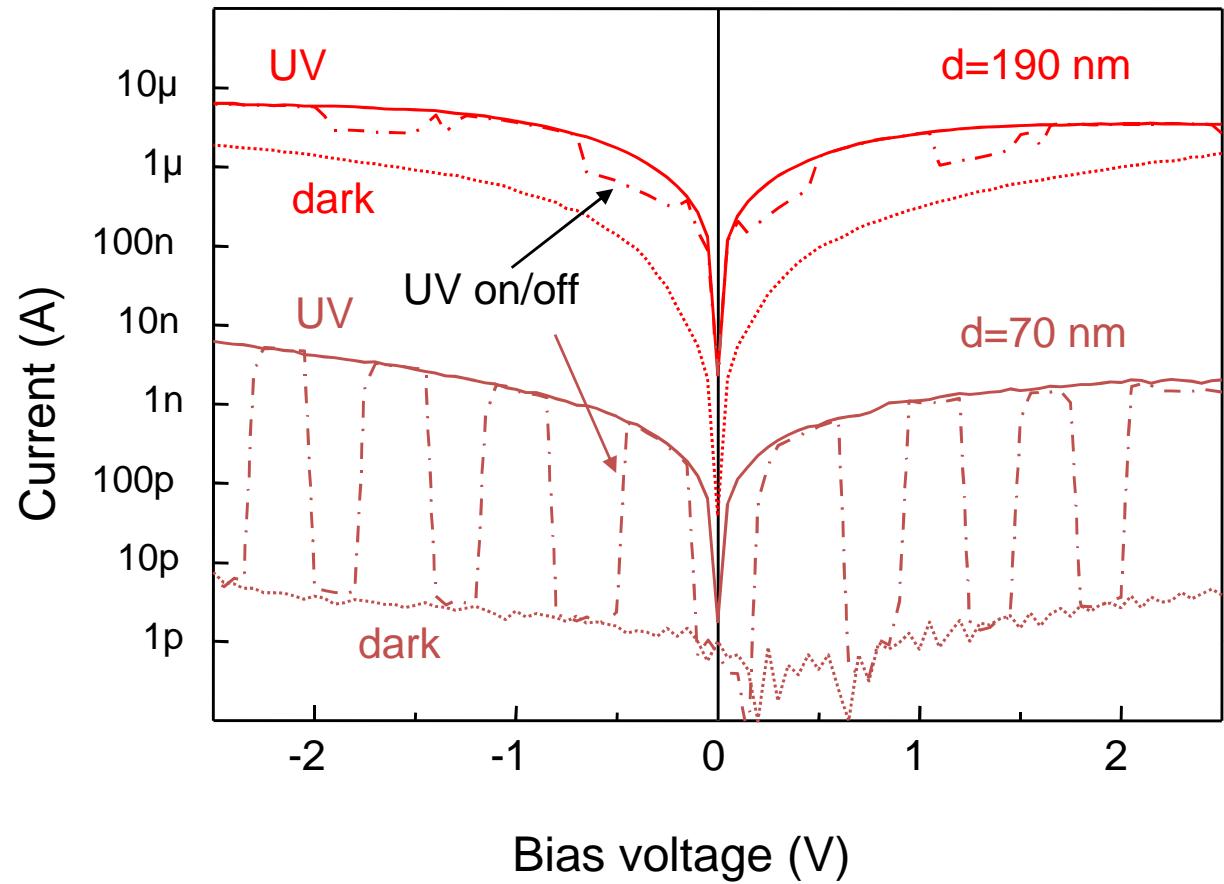
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# Electrical transport



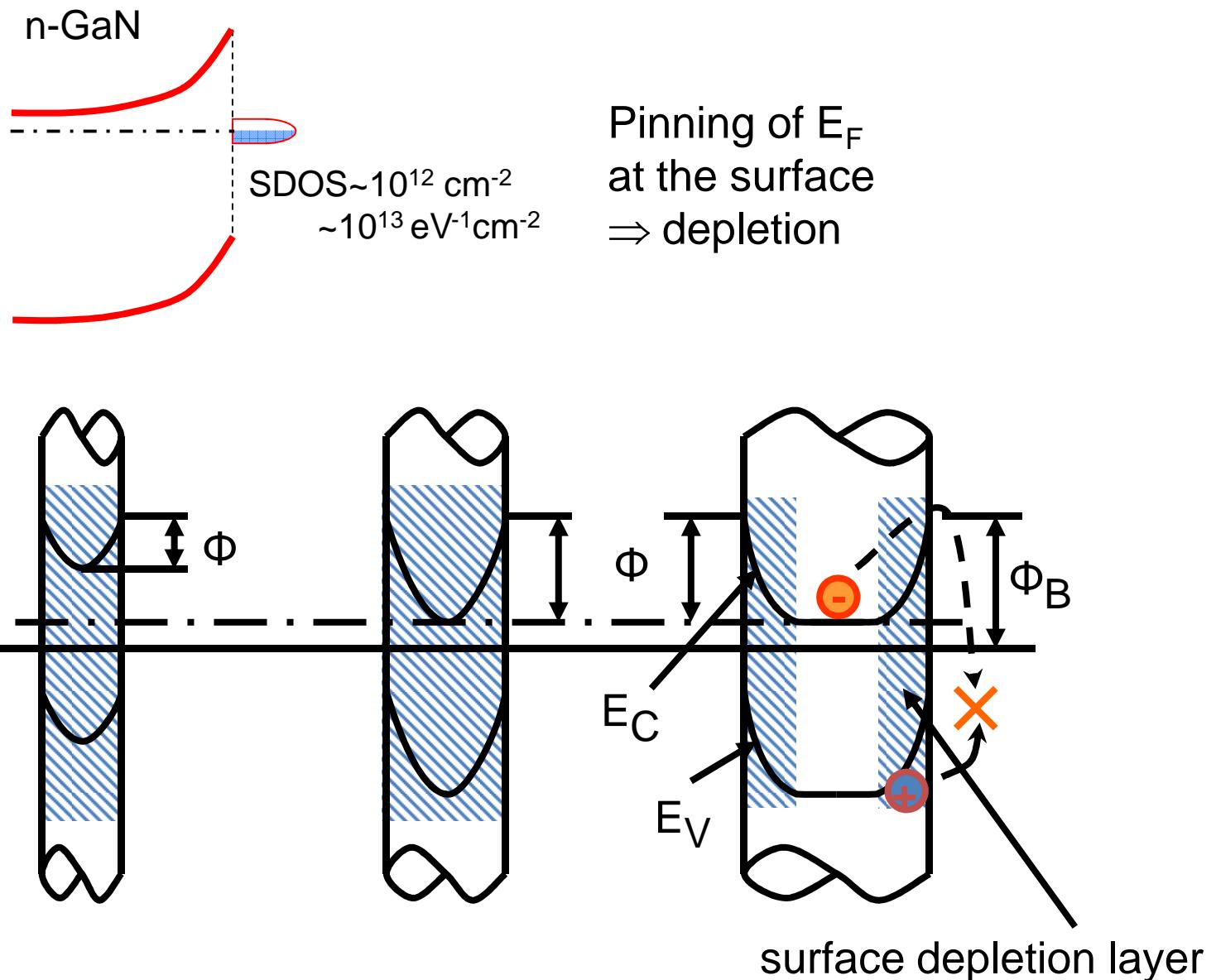
- currents decrease strongly for small diameters
- significant relative increase for small diameters under UV illumination
- PPC after switching off UV light



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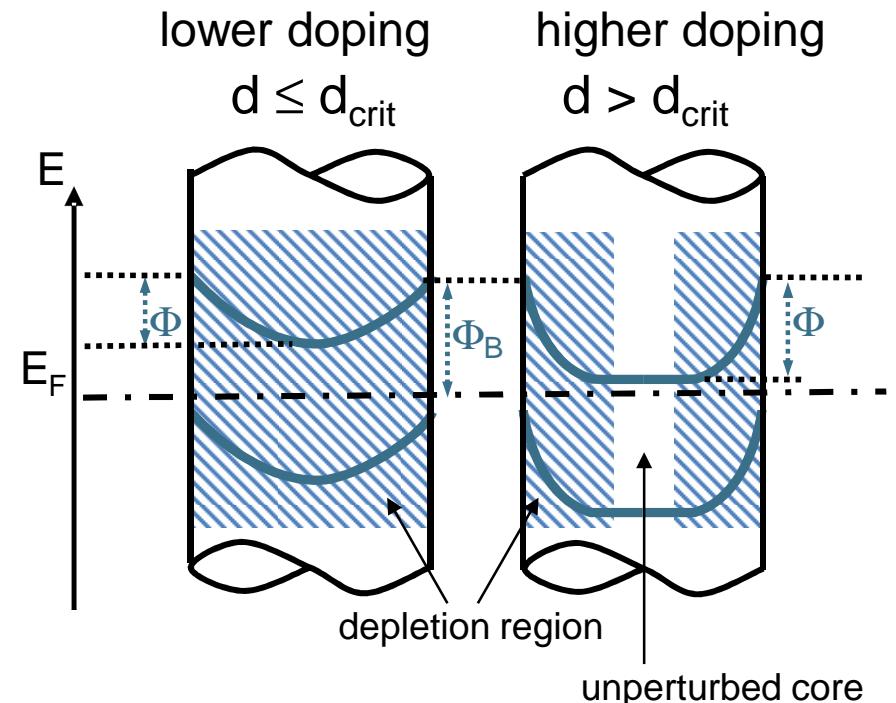
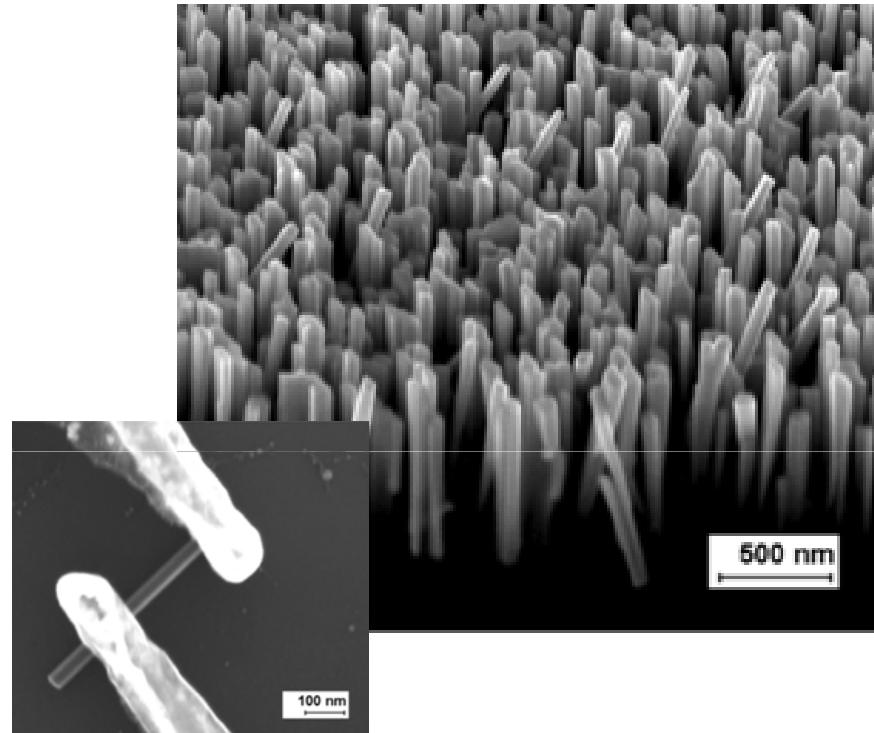
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# Recombination model



# Si-doped GaN NWs

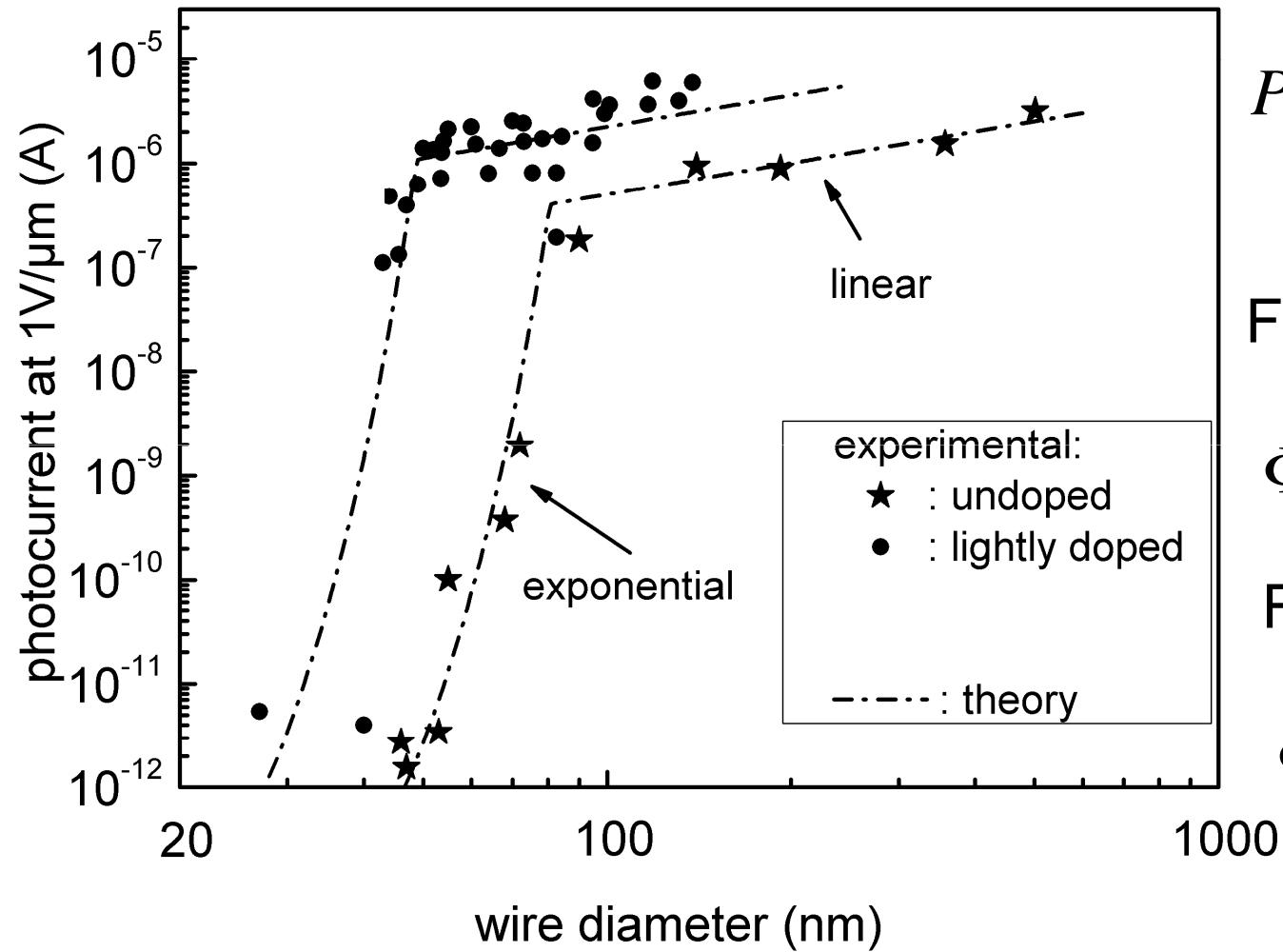
$$PC \sim d / \exp(-\Phi/kT)$$



	carrier concentration	critical diameter
undoped	$6.2 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$	80 nm
doped	$1.8 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$	50 nm

T. Richter et al. Nano Letters 8(9); 3056 (2008)

# Size-dependent photoconductivity



$$PC \propto \frac{d}{\exp(-\Phi/kT)}$$

For  $d < d_{crit}$

$$\Phi = \frac{eN_D d^2}{16\epsilon\epsilon_0}$$

For  $d > d_{crit}$

$$\Phi = \frac{eN_D d_{crit}^2}{16\epsilon\epsilon_0}$$

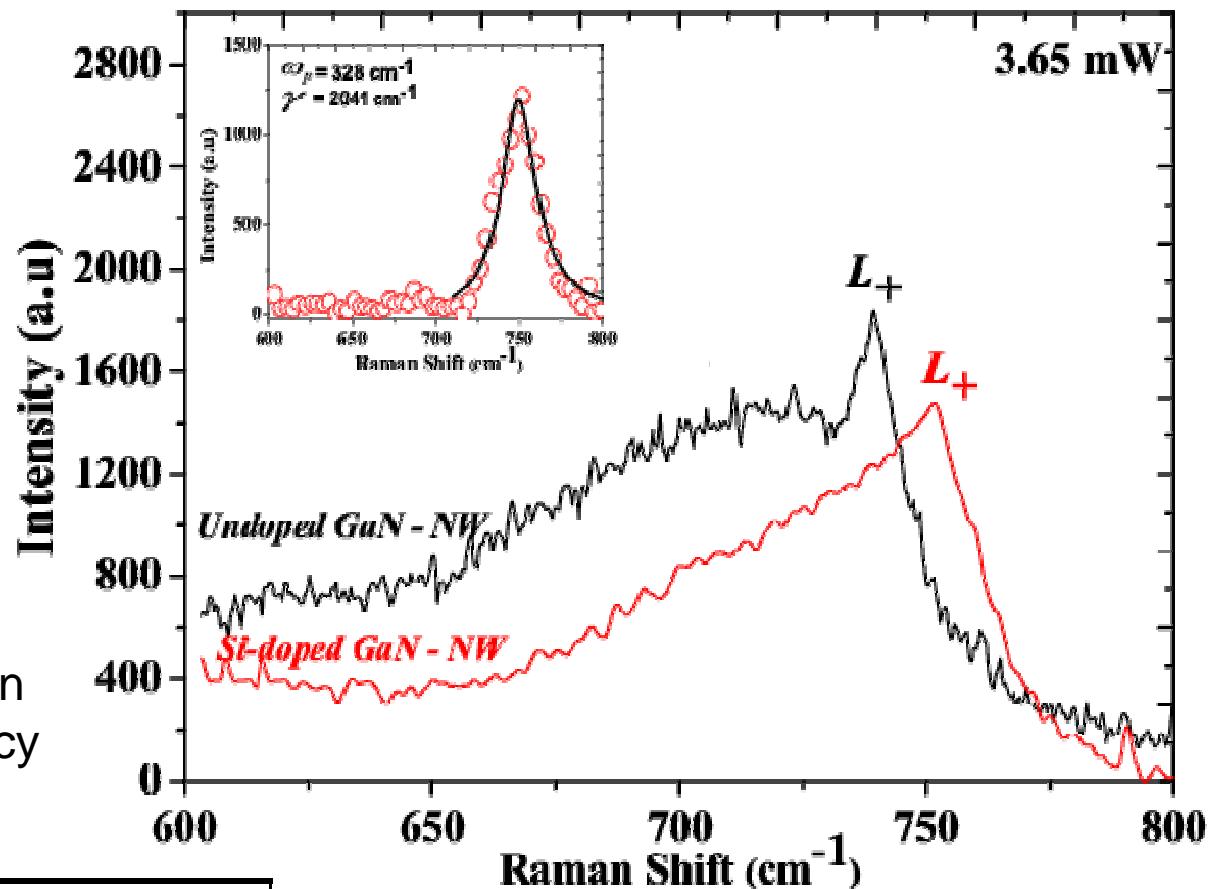
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# Si-doped GaN NWs: Raman

L<sub>+</sub> mode shifts to higher frequency and broadens with increasing carrier concentration.

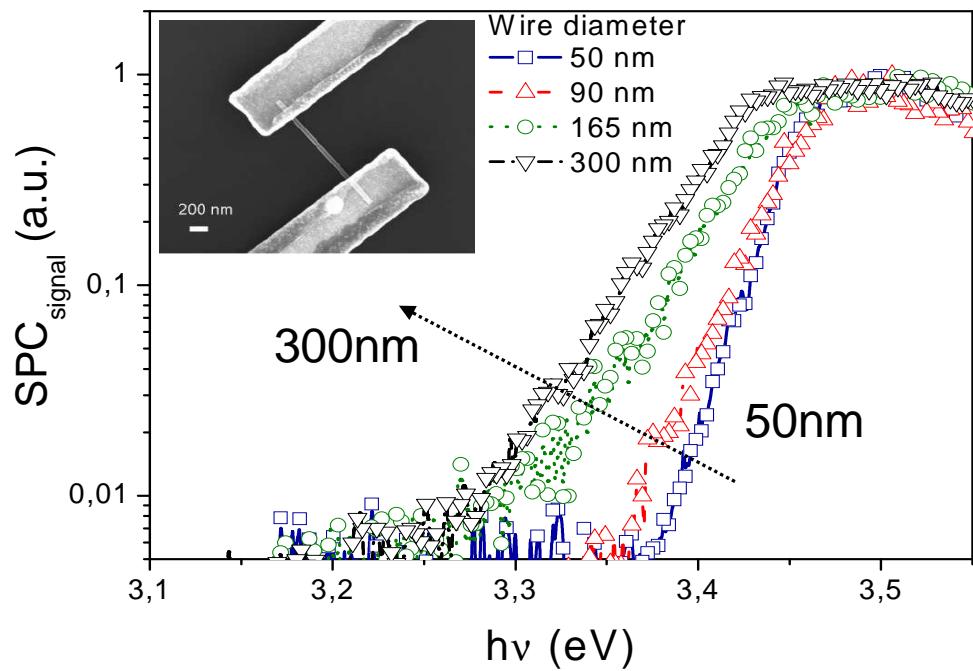
$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{\pi n e^2}{\epsilon_\infty m^*}$$
 plasmon frequency  
 $m^* = 0.2m_e$



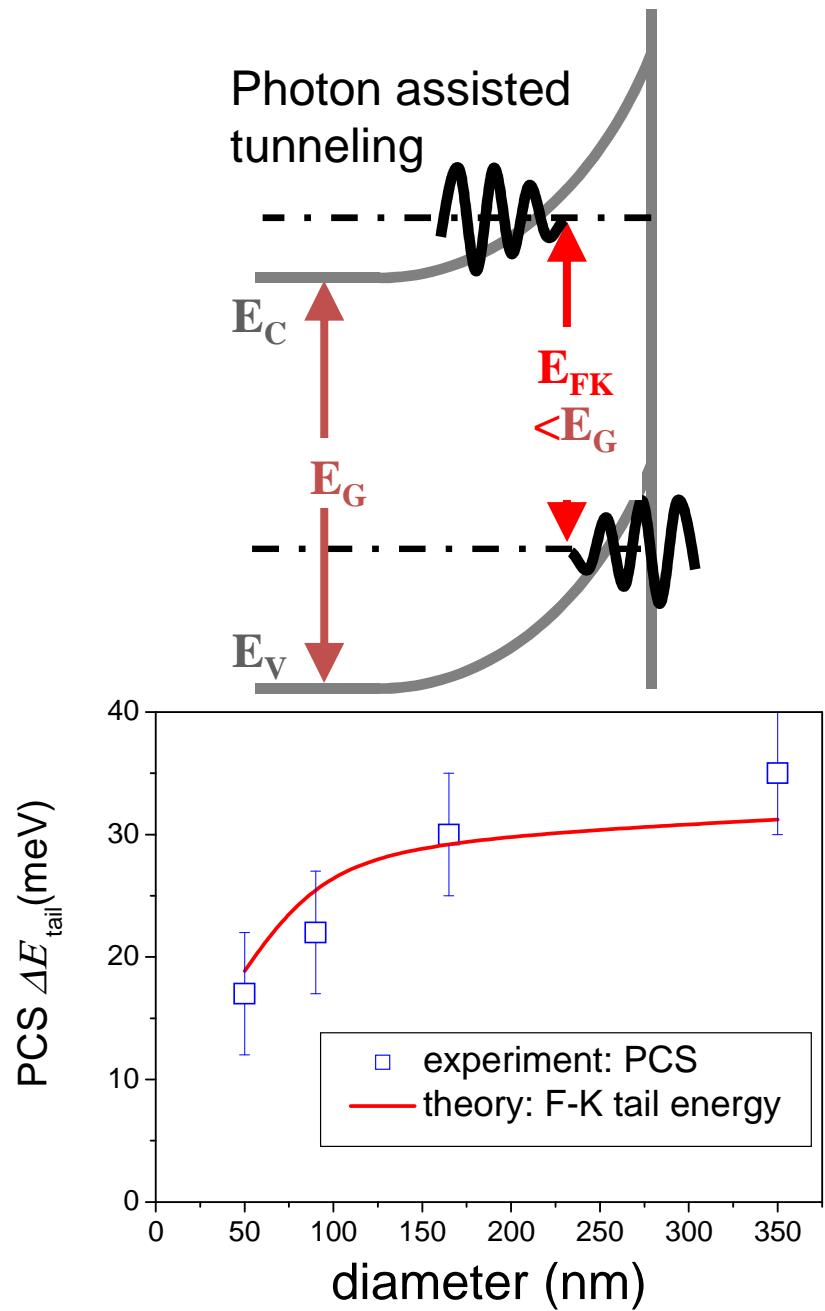
	carrier concentration
undoped	$2.0 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
doped	$1.8 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

mobility=460  $\text{cm}^2\text{V}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$

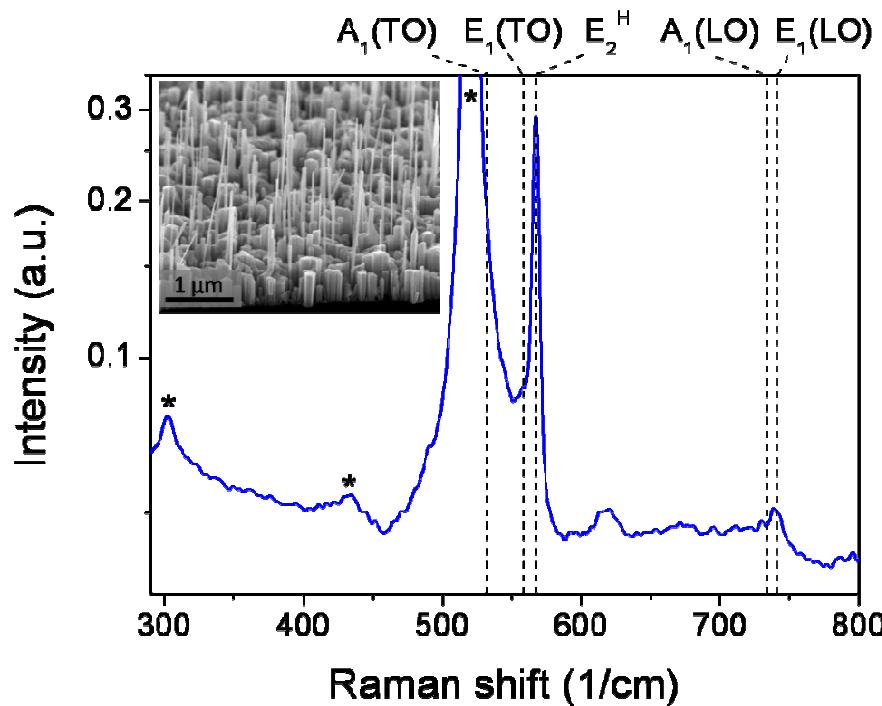
# Spectral photocurrent: Franz-Keldysh effect



$PC \sim \alpha \sim \exp(h\nu/\Delta E_{tail})$   
absorption coefficient  $\alpha$



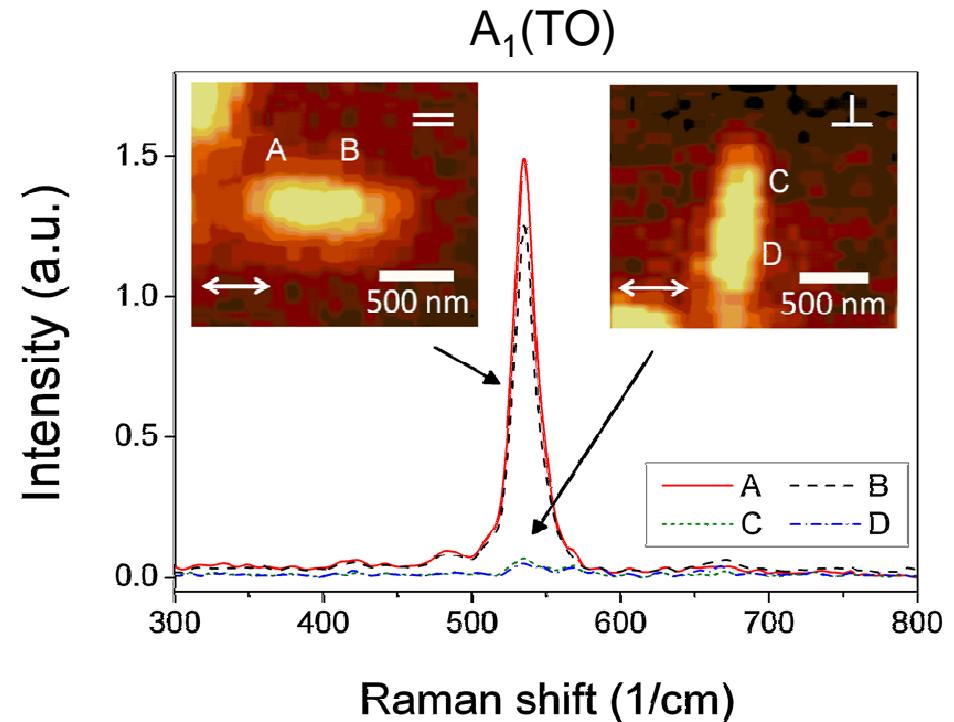
# GaN NWs: Raman



quasi backscattering geometry

Frequencies consistent with  
strain free values from  
literature

$\text{FWHM}(\text{E}_2^{\text{high}}) = 2.8 \text{ cm}^{-1}$   
=> good crystalline quality



$\text{A}_1(\text{TO})$  suppressed if laser  
polarization perpendicular to NW axis.

penetration of the laser light and  
Raman scattering in isolated GaN  
nanowires thinner than 100 nm is  
governed by size effects

E. O. Schäfer-Nolte, et al. App. Phys. Lett. **96** 091907 (2010)

# PAMBE grown InN NWs on Si(111)

Growth under N-rich conditions:

$$\Phi_N = 4 \text{ sccm}$$

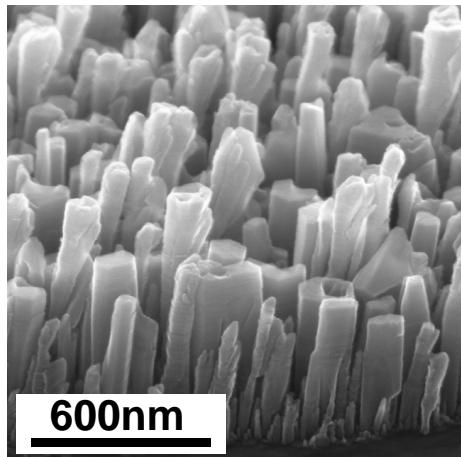
$$P_{RF} = 500 \text{ W}$$

Distinctive property :

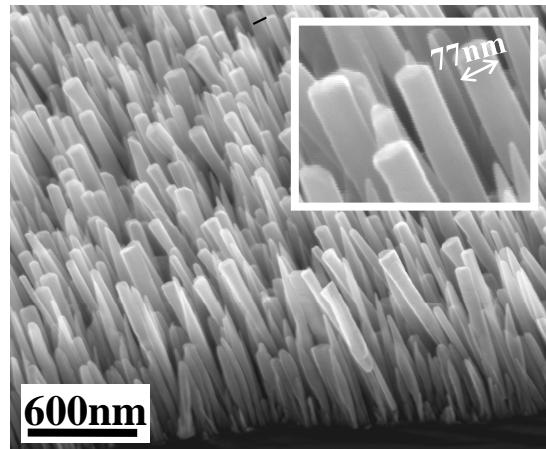
→ InN decomposes at relatively low temperatures

Effect of substrate temperature on morphology

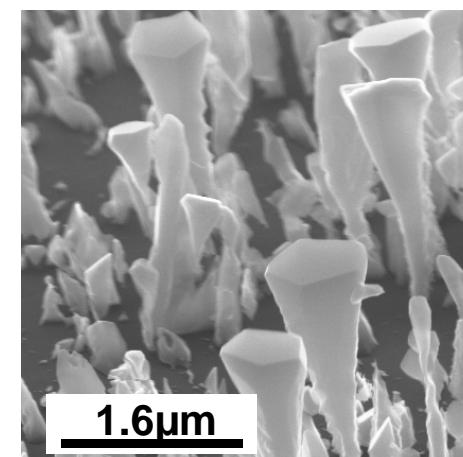
$$T_{sub} = 440^\circ\text{C}$$



$$T_{sub} = 475^\circ\text{C}$$



$$T_{sub} = 525^\circ\text{C}$$

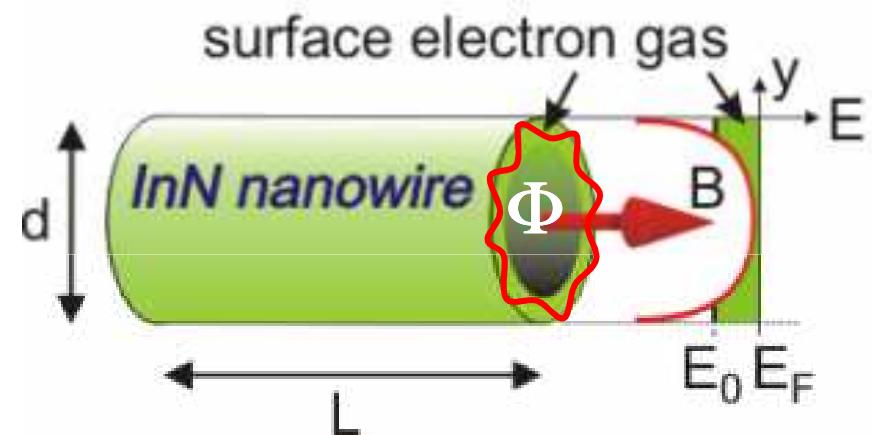
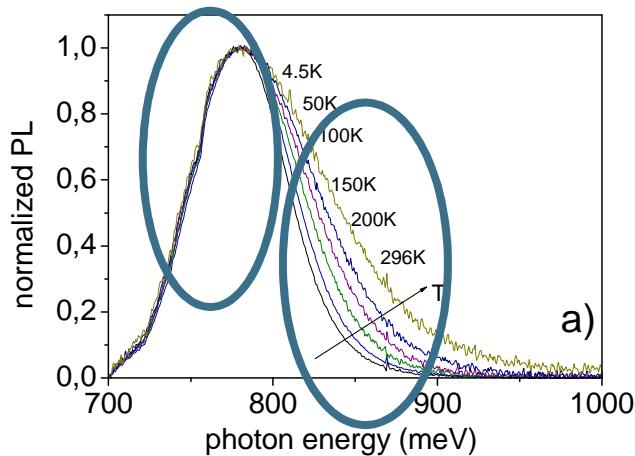
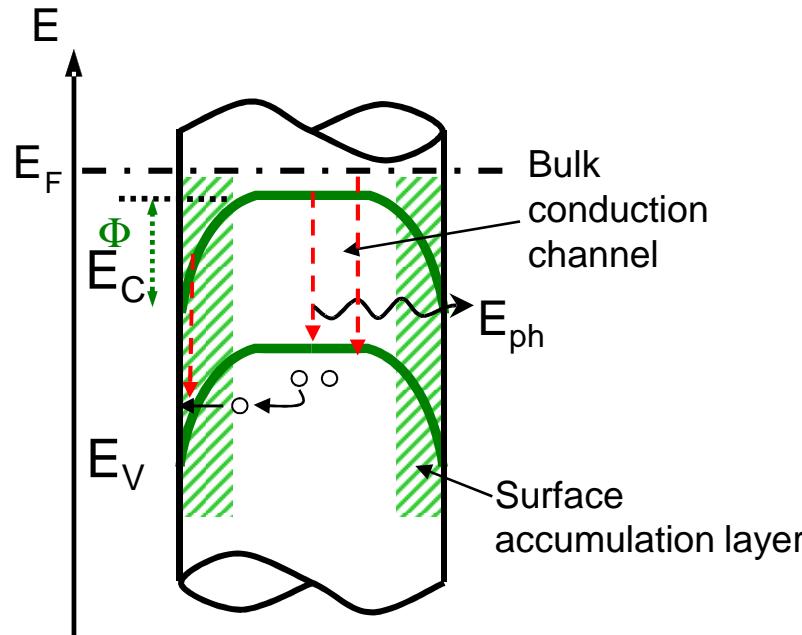


$$\Phi_{in} = 3.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mbar}$$

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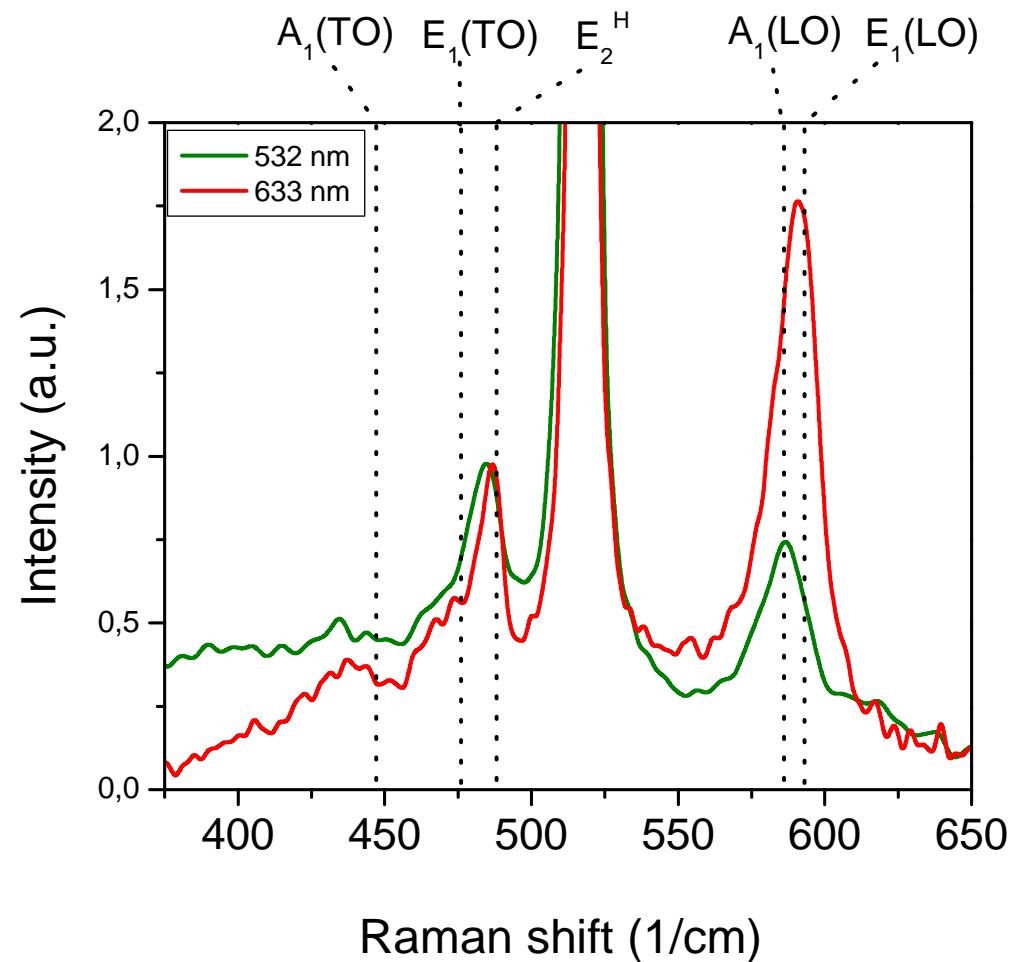
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# InN a degenerated semiconductor

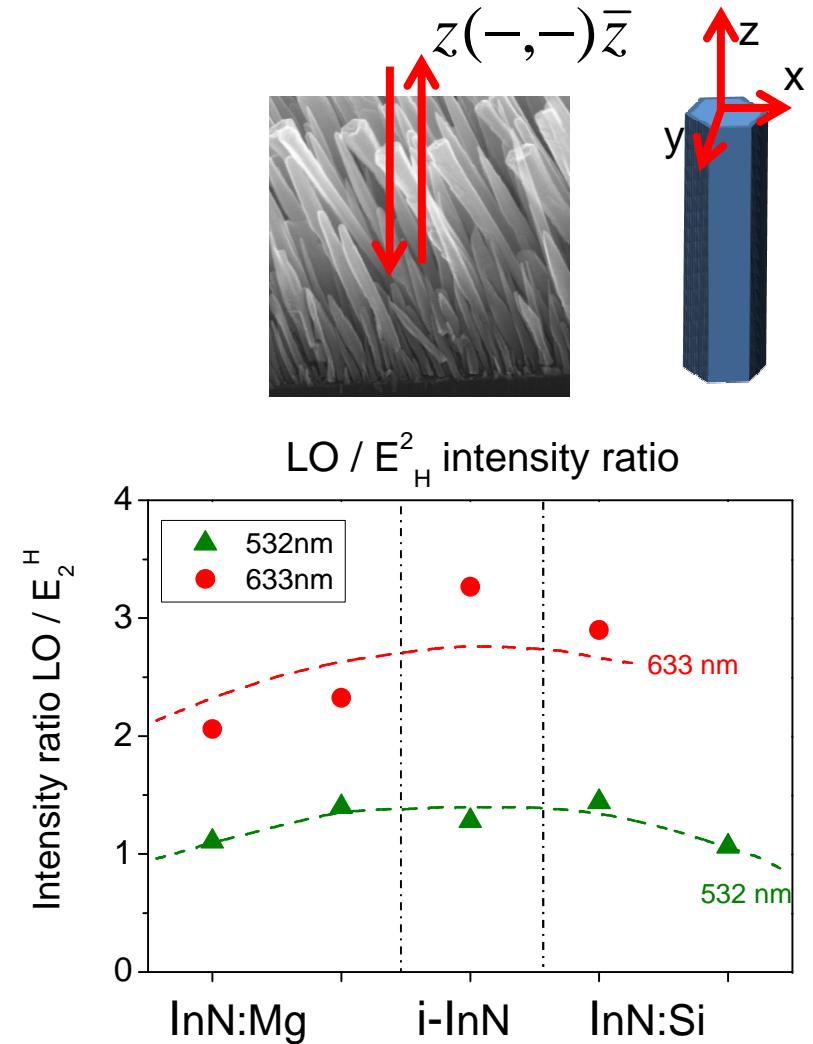


magnetoconductance oscillations  
attributed to the occurrence of single  
magnetic flux quantum periodicity induced  
by phase-coherent circular states

# Raman – nanowire ensemble



→ Strong increase in LO intensity for 633 nm excitation wavelength

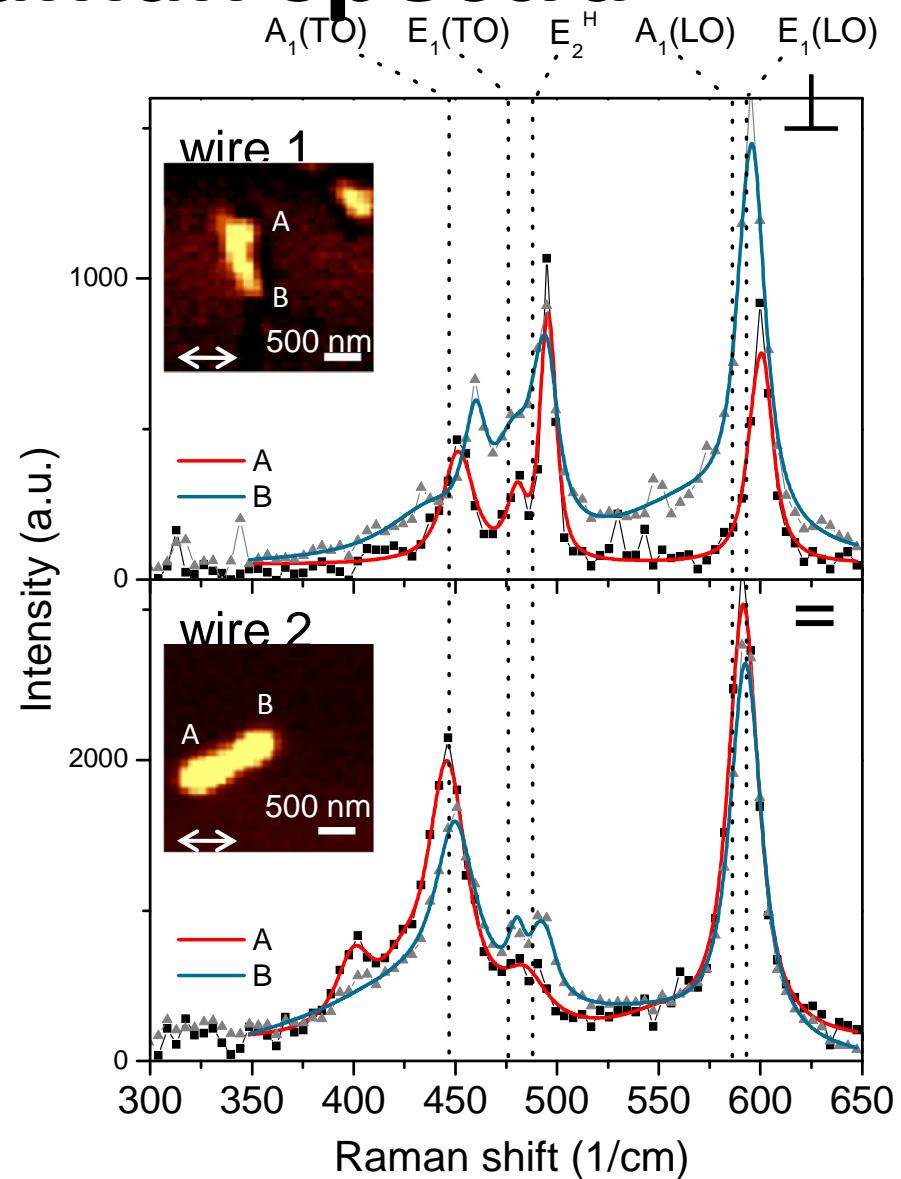


# Polarization dependency of single NW Raman spectra

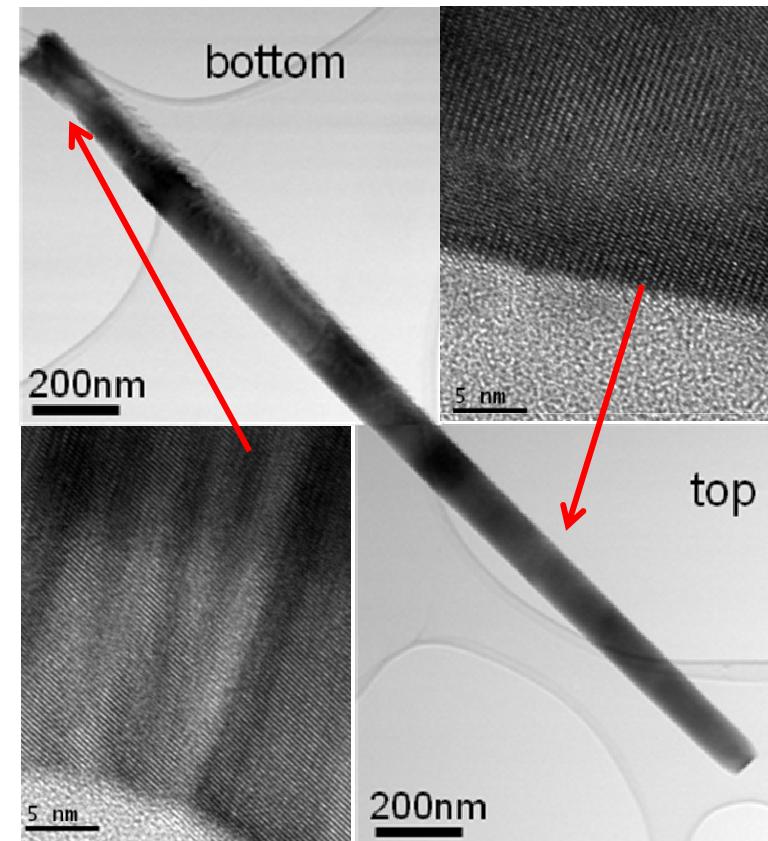
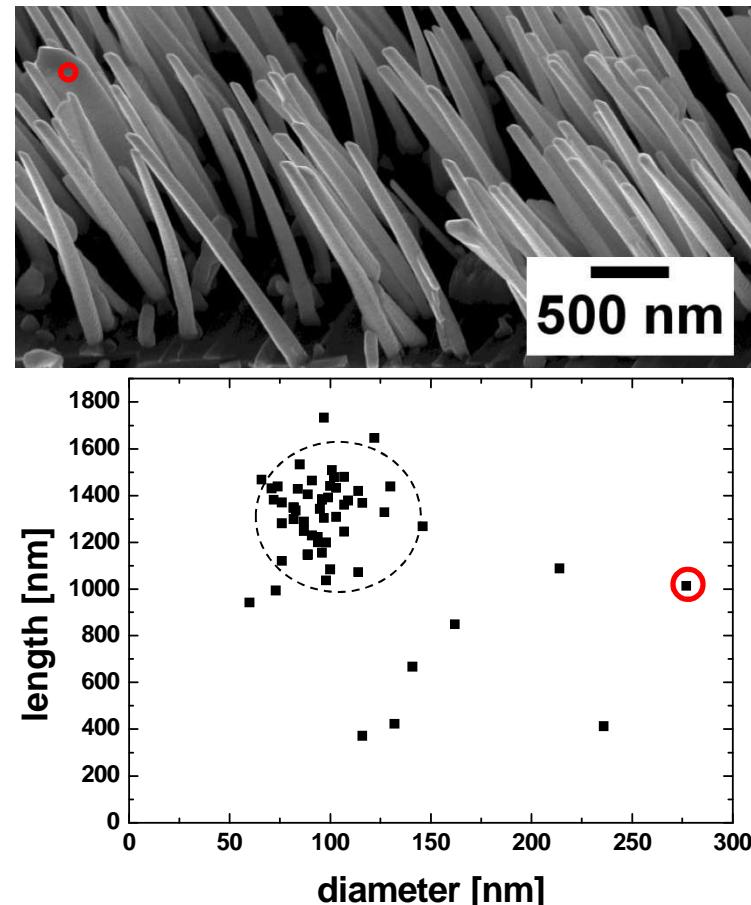
intense symmetry-forbidden LO mode

relative intensities of  $A_1(TO)$  and  $E_2^H$  strongly depend on nanowire orientation

Configuration	Phonon modes
$\perp$	$x(y, y)\bar{x}$
$=$	$A_1(TO), E_2$
$=, \perp$	$A_1(TO)$
$=, \perp$	$E_1(TO)$



# InN:Si Optimal growth



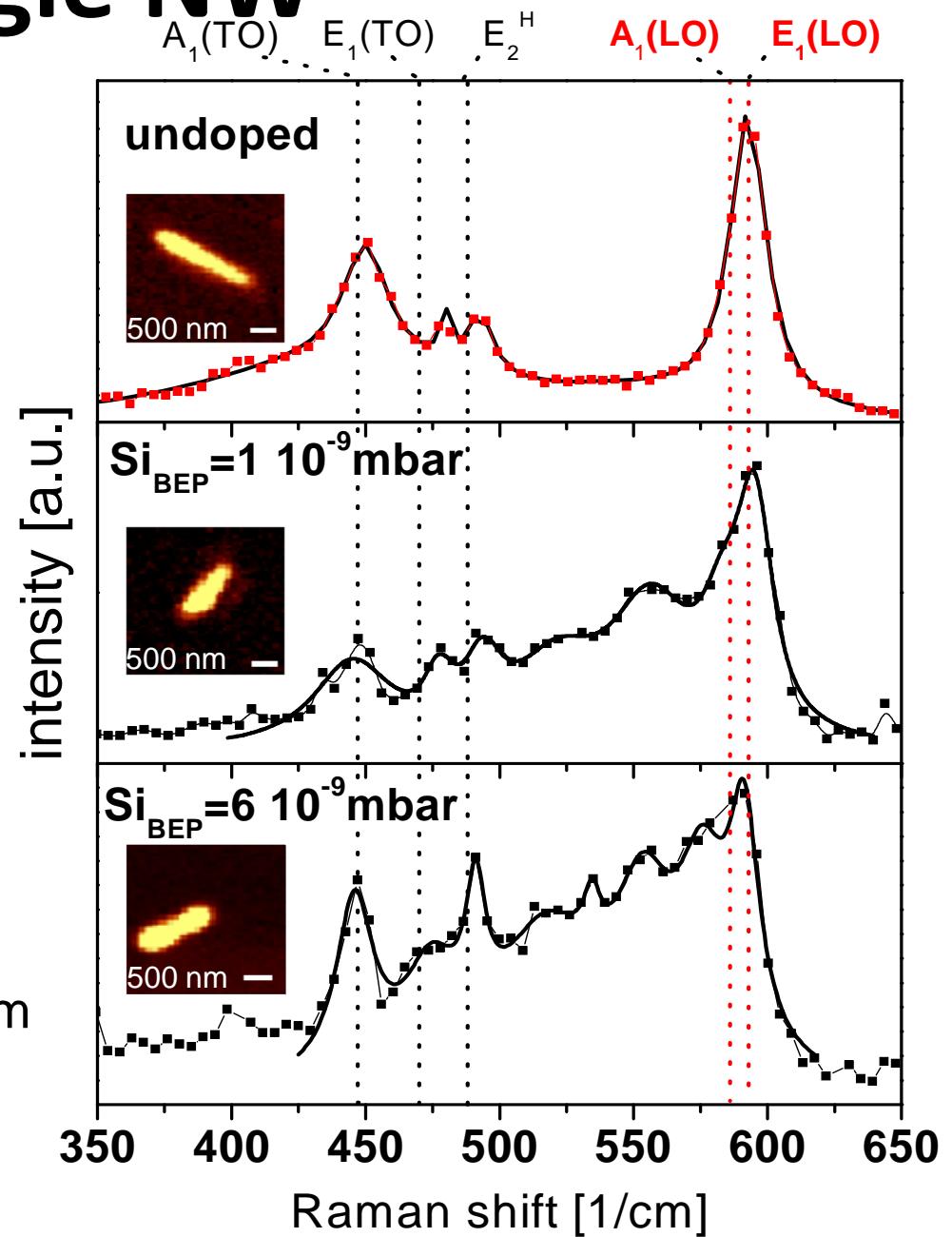
- Density:  $6.8 \times 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- Small fluctuation of diameter and length
- Aspect ratio: 14

- Smooth lateral surfaces
- Good crystalline quality

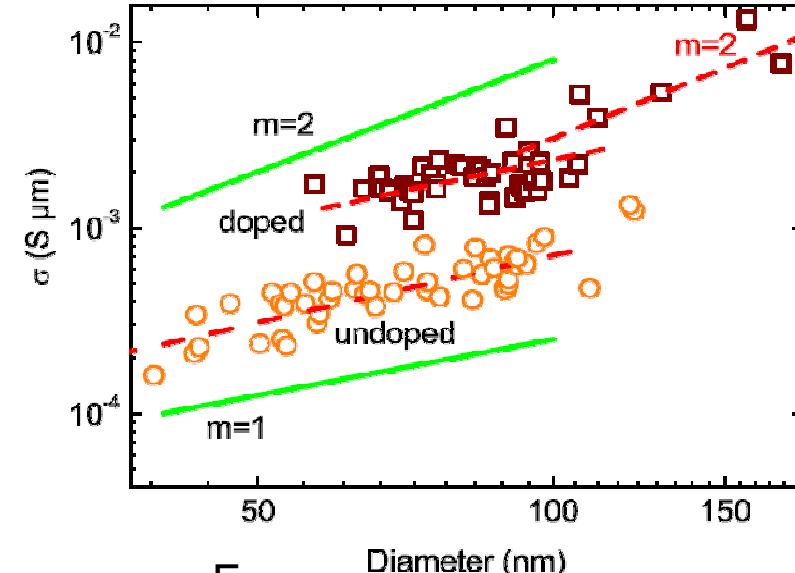
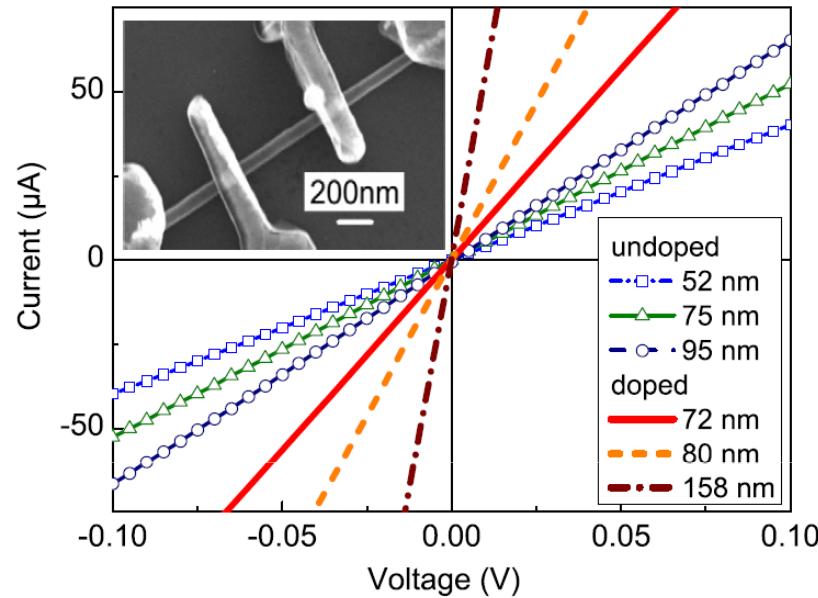
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# Raman - single NW

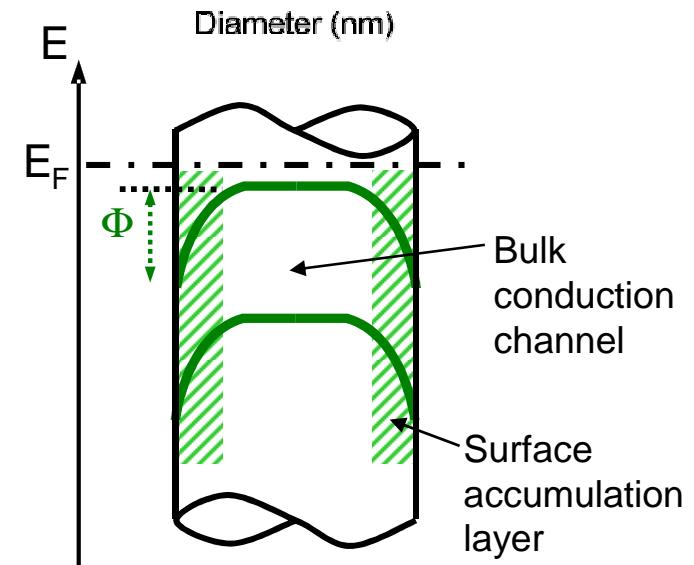
Occurrence of uncoupled LO mode and its scattering mechanism are still under discussion in literature  
strong LO even both A<sub>1</sub>(LO) and E<sub>1</sub>(LO) are symmetry-forbidden  
emerging low energy tail of the LO mode with doping due to interaction with electronic subsystem



# Electrical characterization



- Major carrier transport mechanism occurs in a tube-like surface accumulation layer
- Successful Si doping



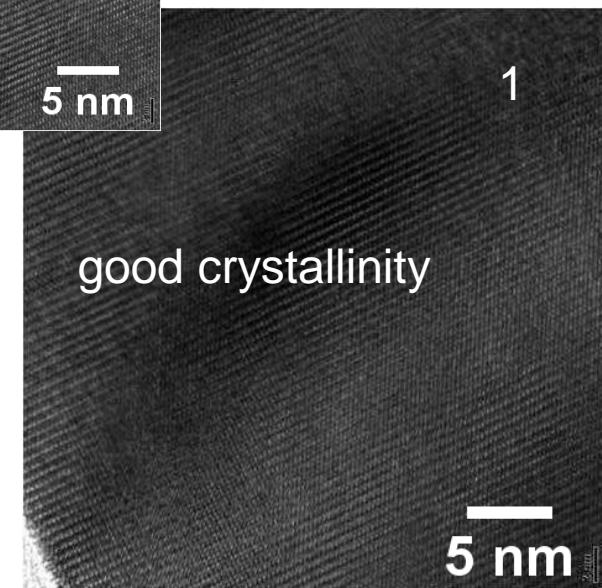
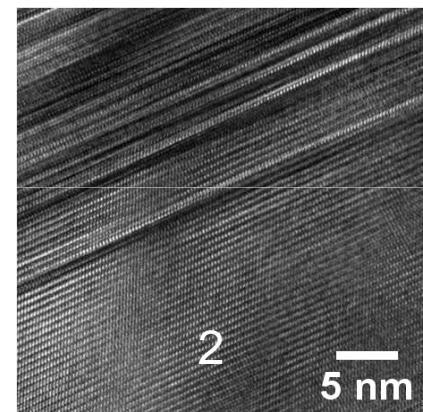
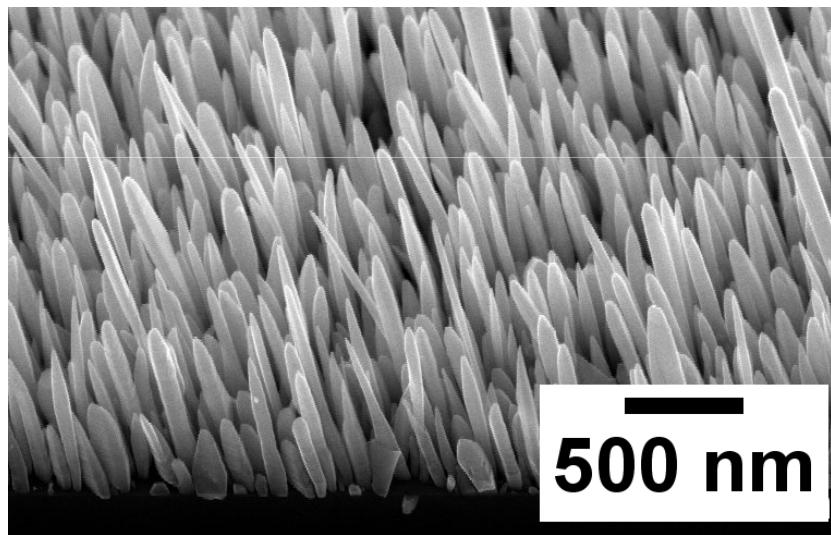
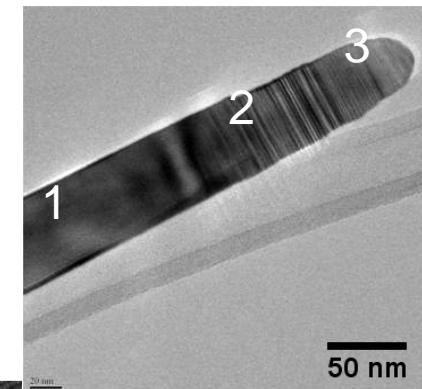
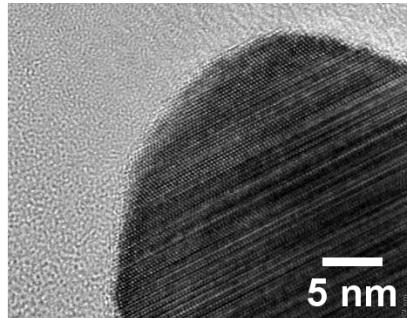
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# TEM investigation of InN:Mg

$\Phi_{\text{In}} = 4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mbar}$

$\Phi_{\text{Mg}} = 0.5 \times 10^{-9} \text{ mbar}$

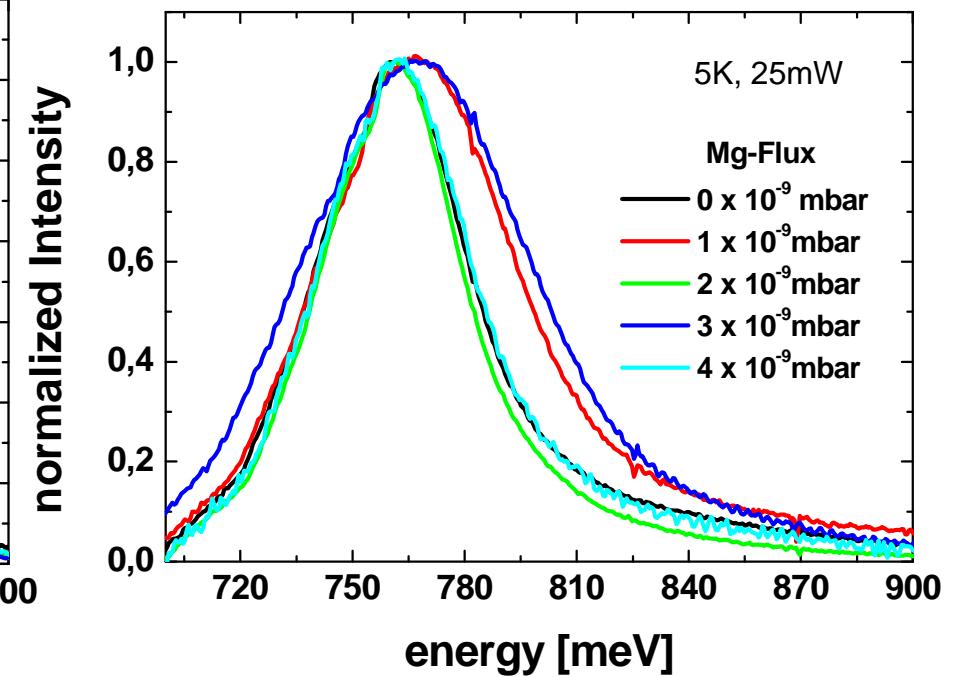
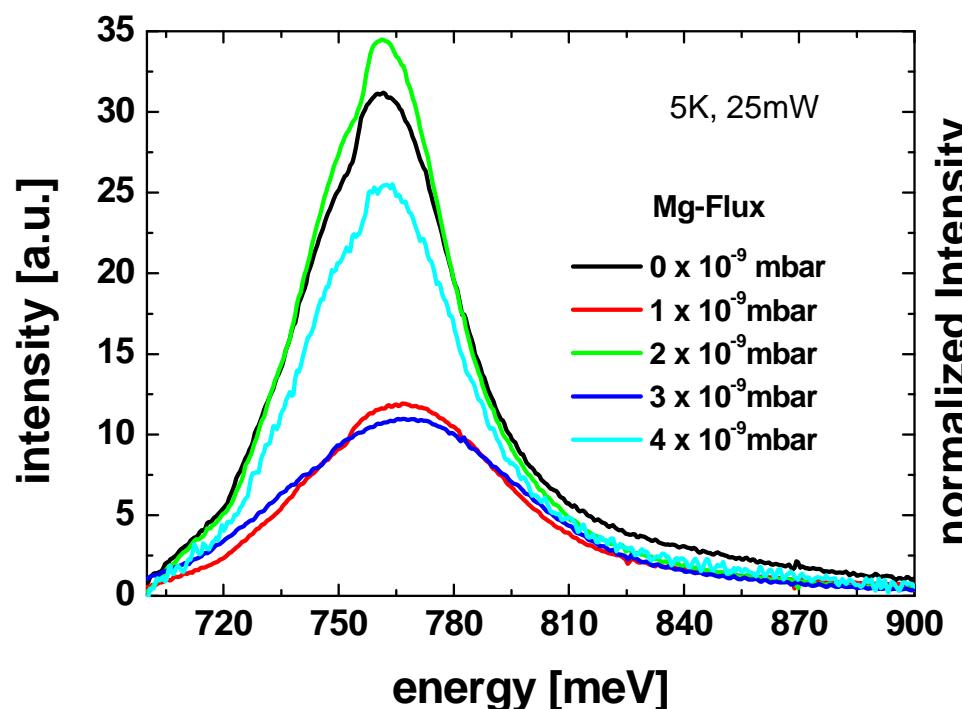
$T_{\text{sub}} = 487^\circ\text{C}$



- Good crystalline quality
- Stacking faults at the top

# Influence of the Mg-flux on PL

$\Phi_{\text{In}} = 2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mbar}$ ;  $T_{\text{sub}} = 494 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$



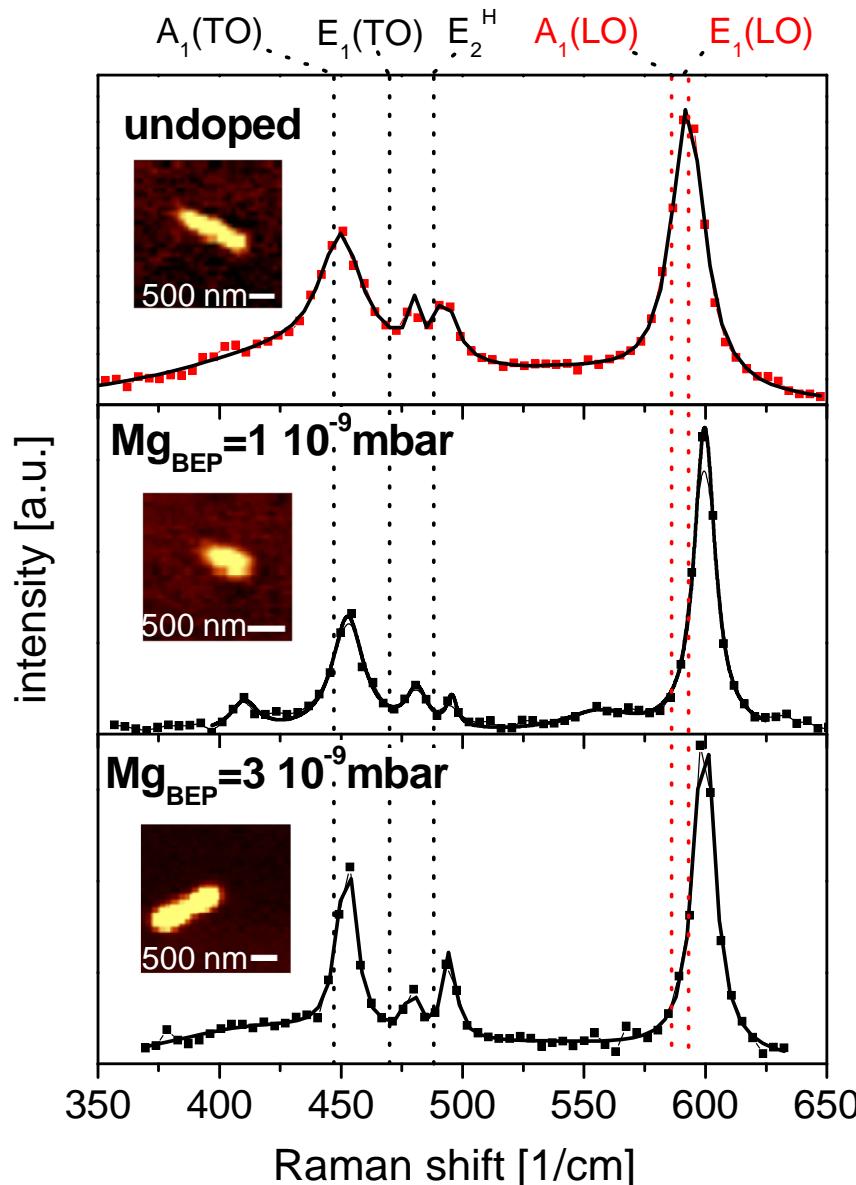
- Fluctuation of peak energy and intensity

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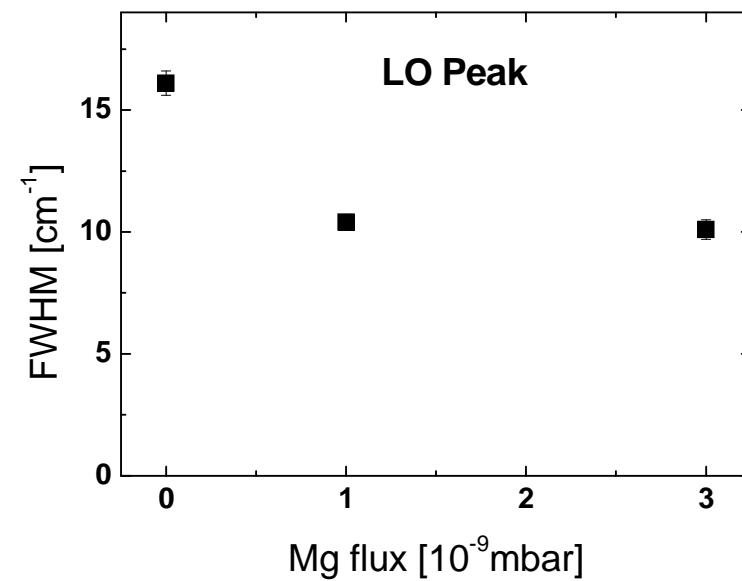
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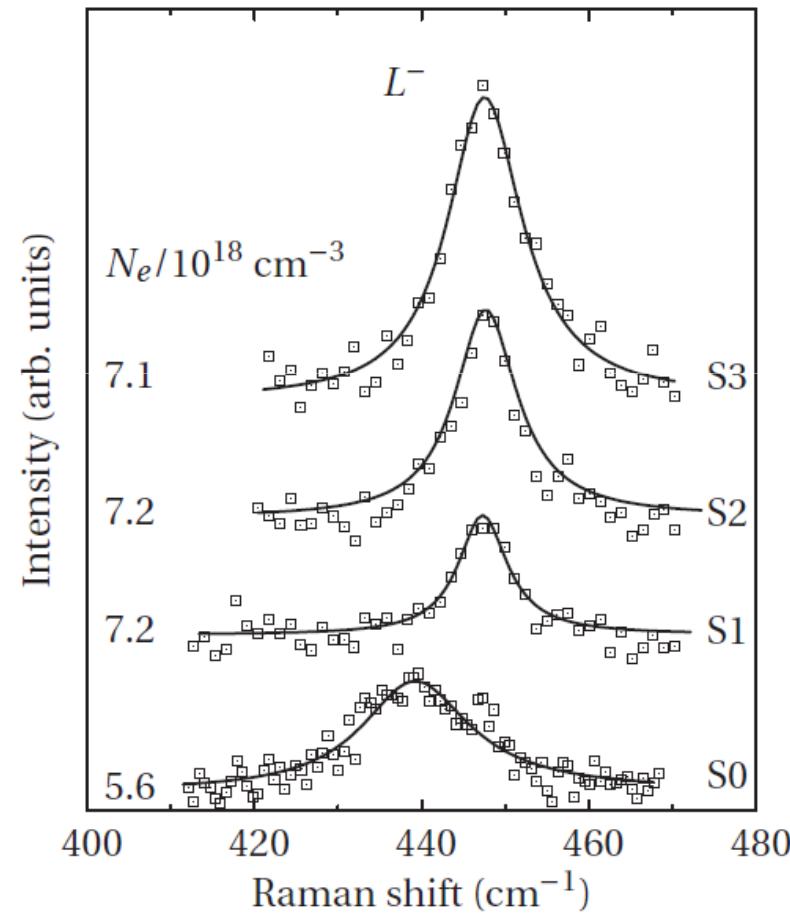
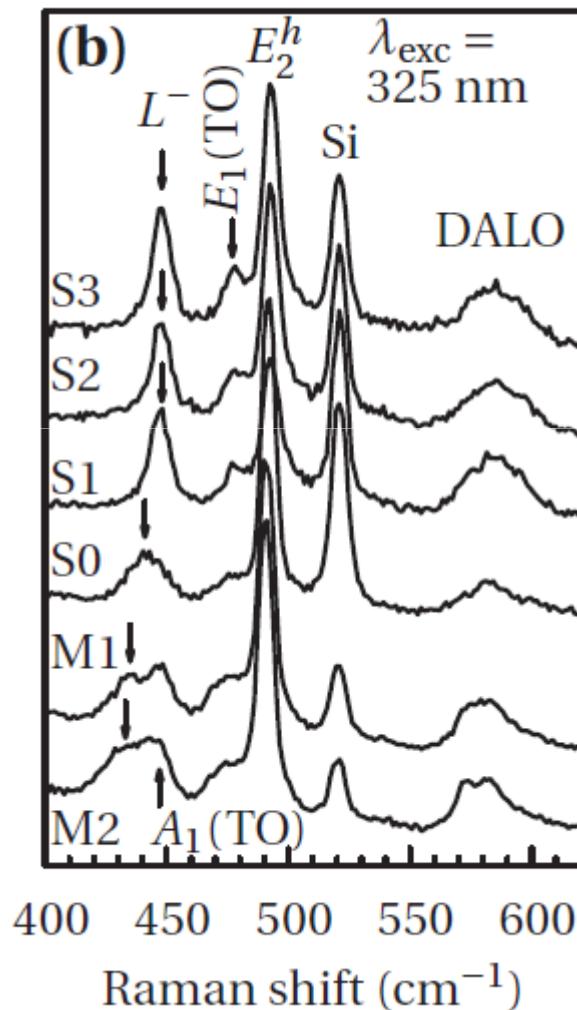
# Mg doped - single NW Raman



LO shifted to higher energies  
Sharper peaks in Mg doped samples



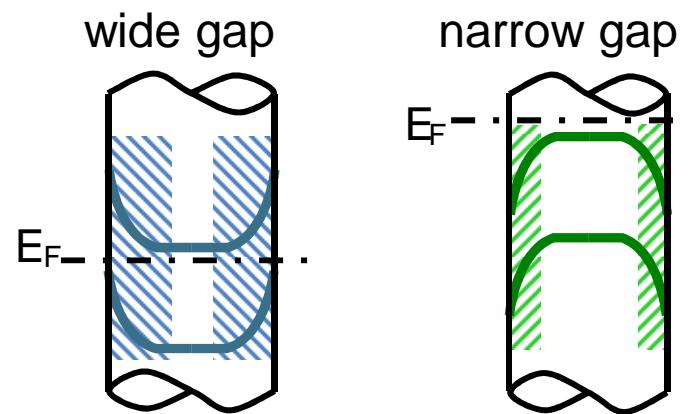
# Raman: determination of carrier concentration



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# Conclusions

**AIM:**  
**understanding size dependences electrical  
and optoelectrical properties**



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