

# **Target Fabrication Advances at Gryphon Schafer Livermore Laboratory**

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- We are no longer affiliated with Belcan
- We're still the same fun-loving bunch that you all know and love
- There is no change in our commitment to providing targets



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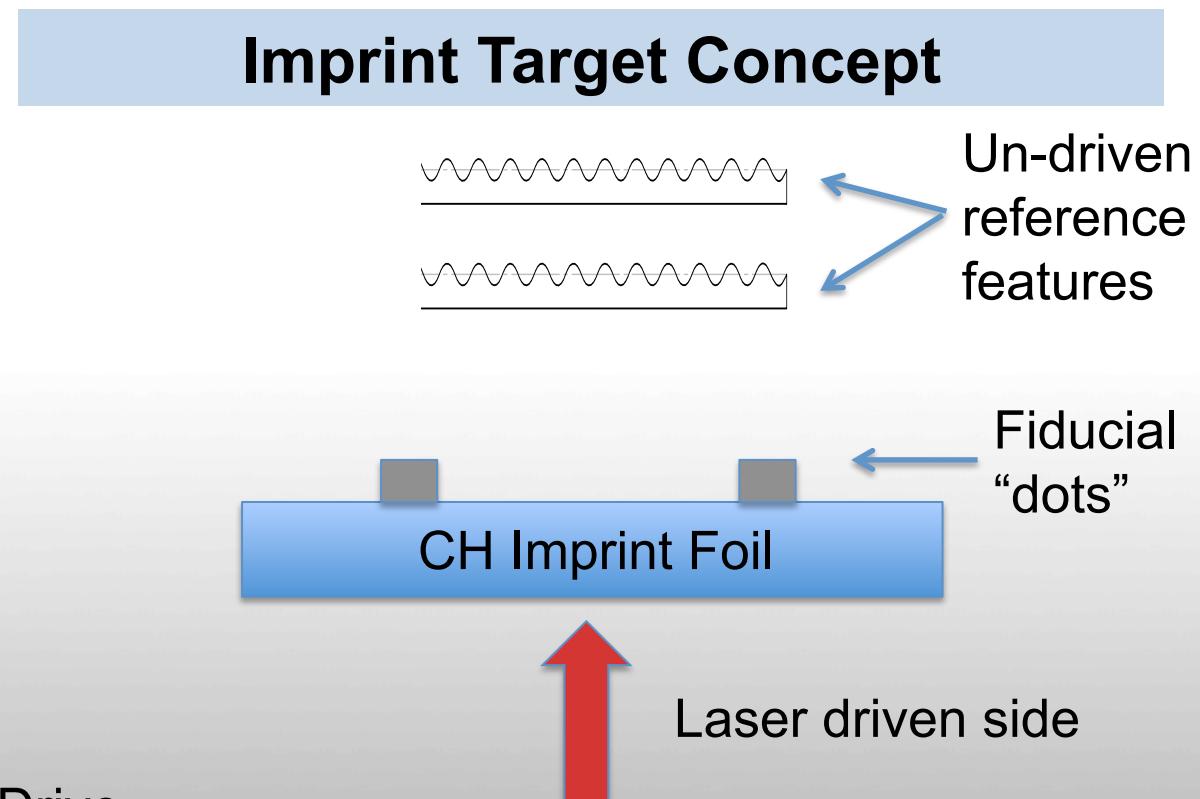
## Two topics

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1. Interesting targets developed, fabricated, and delivered
2. Work in progress: increased capabilities in response to target requests

## THE MJDD\* CAMPAIGNS STUDY FEASIBILITY OF NIF FOR DIRECT-DRIVE ICF

- LLE led collaboration
- Campaign of planar and spherical experiments
- One of the key issues is imprint

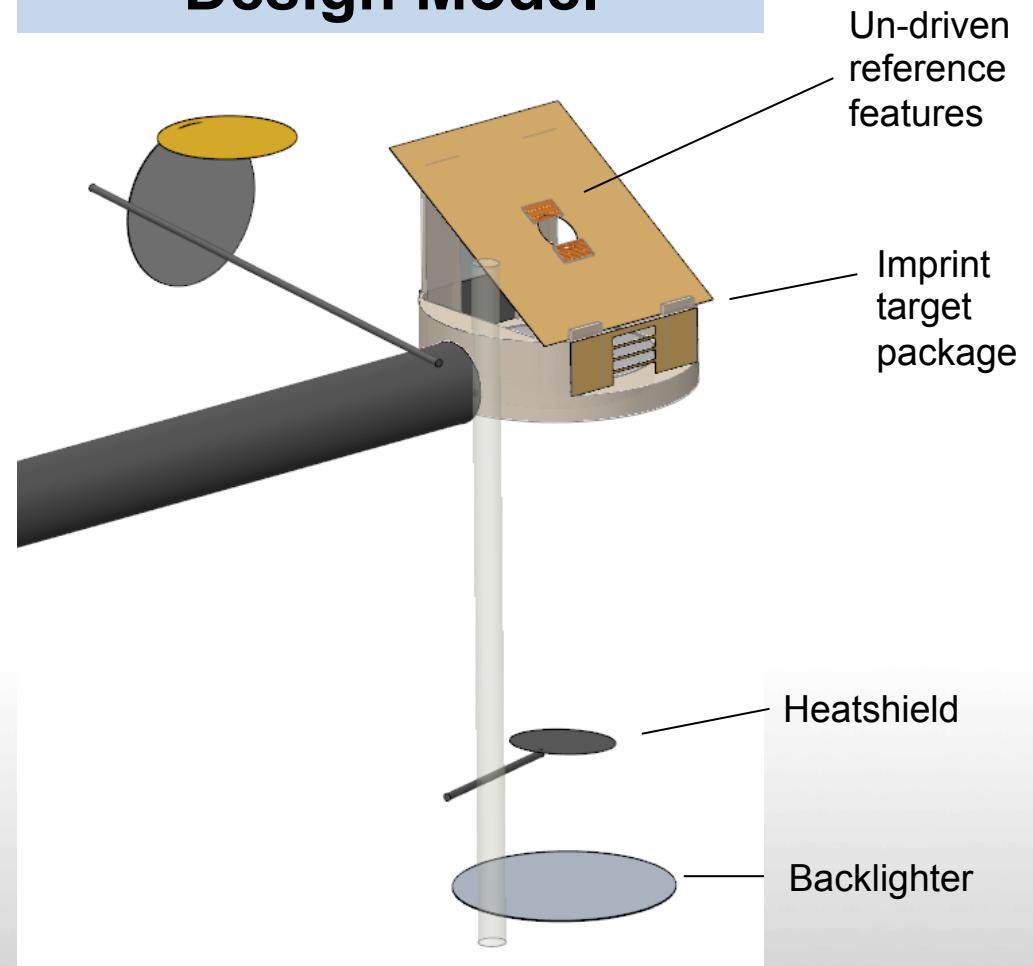


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# IMPRINT TARGET

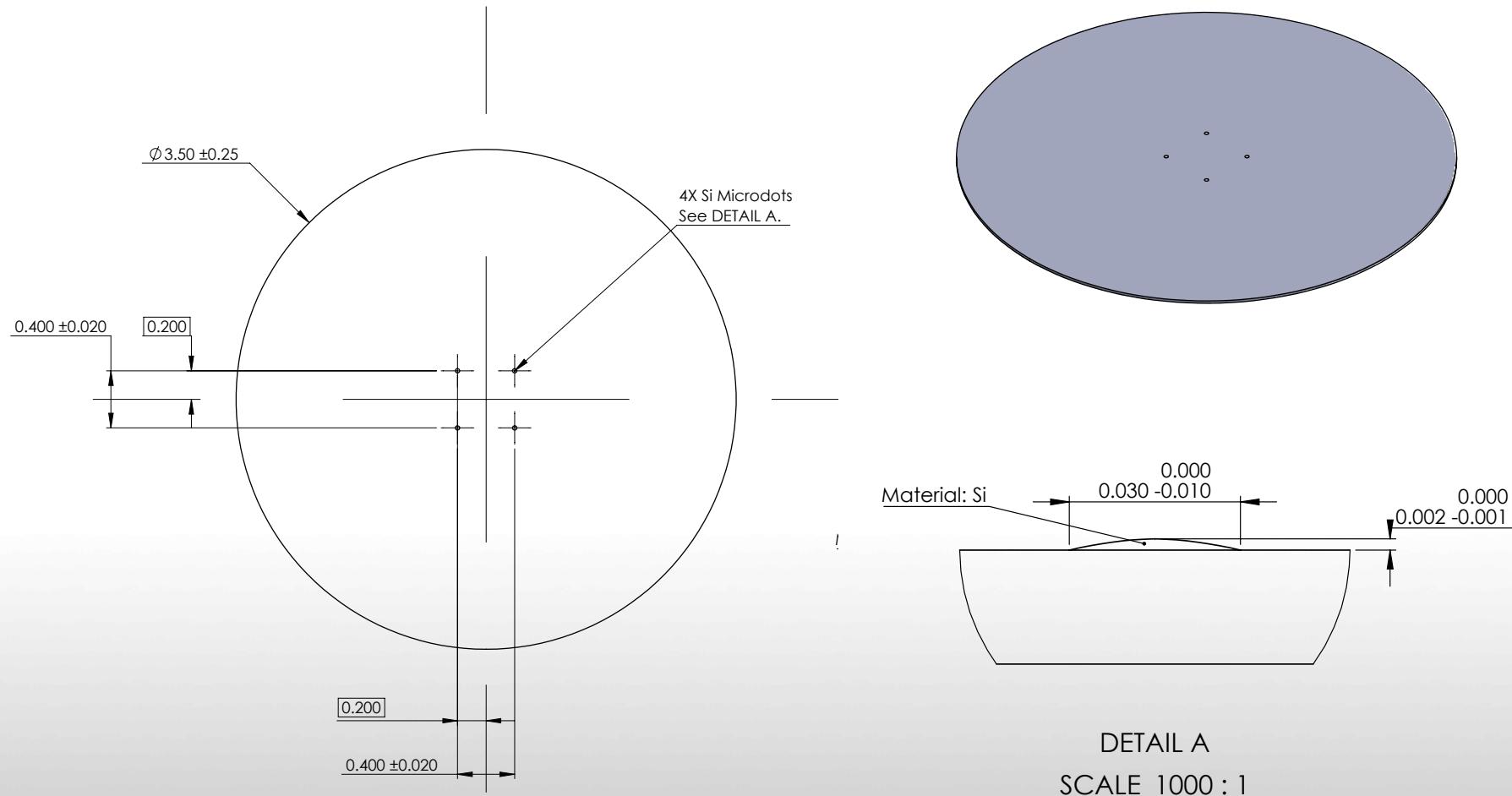
Target separation  
and geometry  
determined by  
beam interference

## Design Model

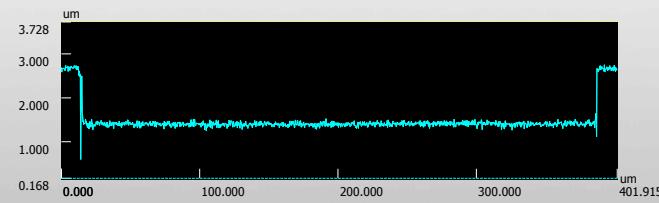
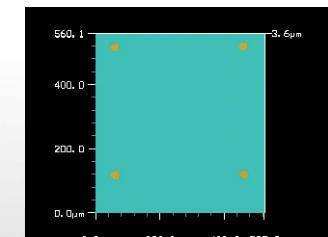
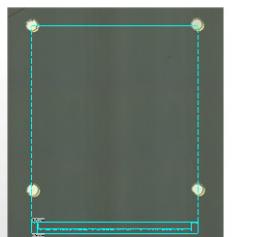
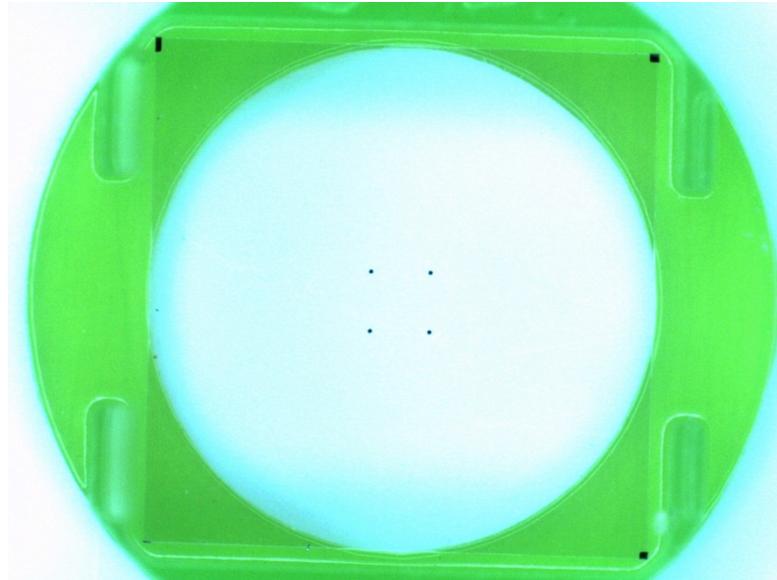


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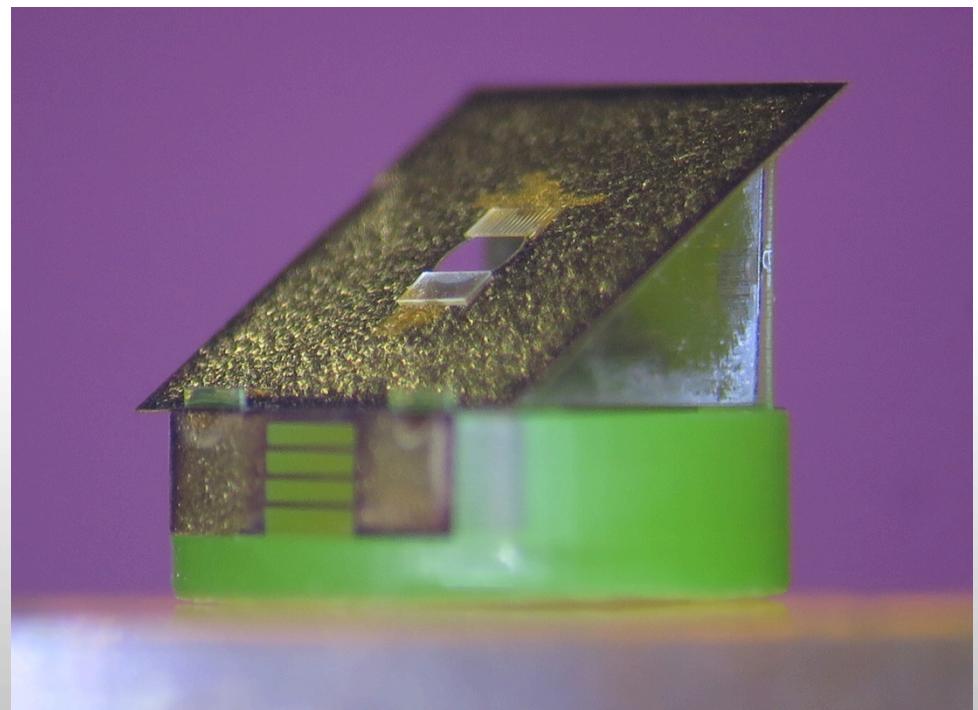
# “DOT” LOCATION AND SIZE ARE IMPORTANT



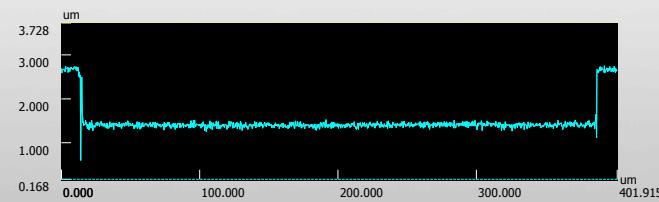
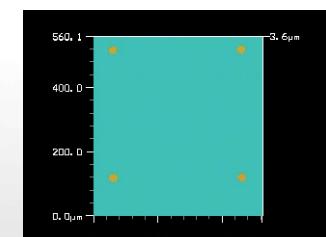
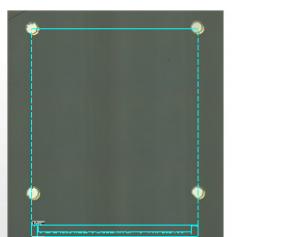
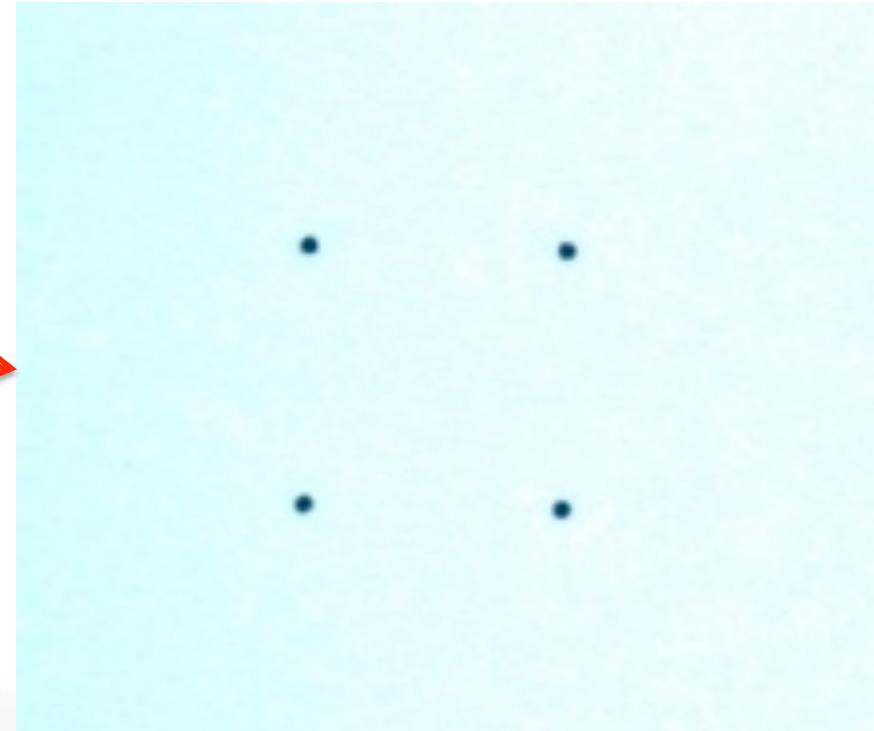
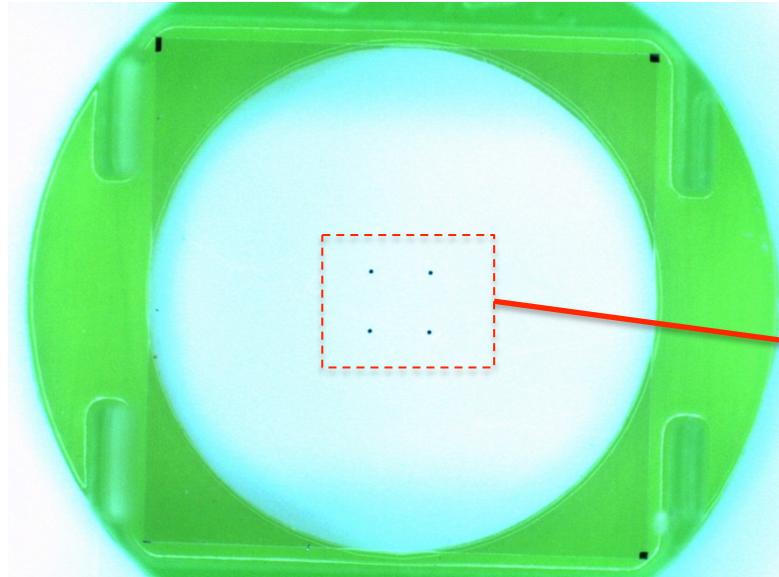
# PLANAR IMPRINT TARGET



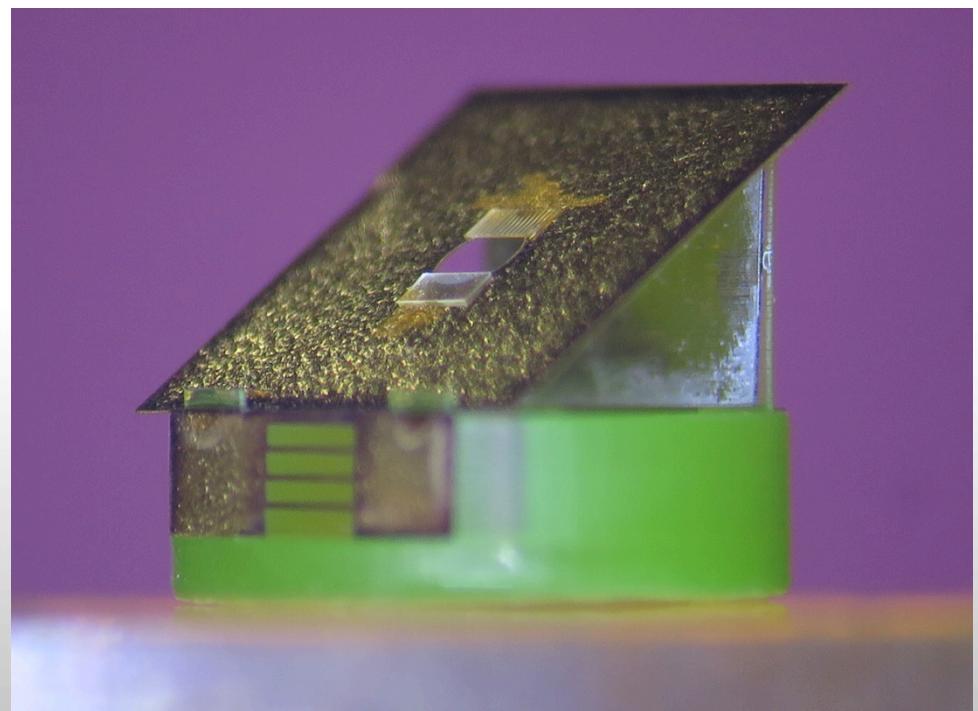
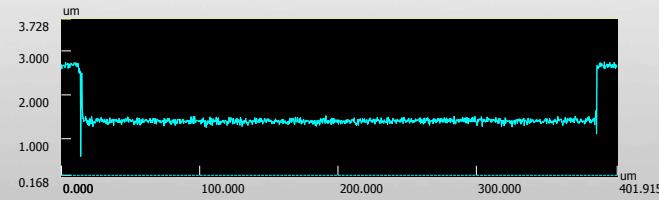
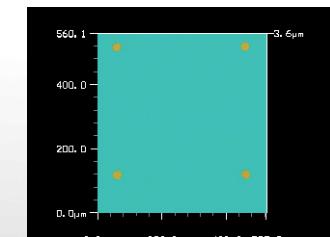
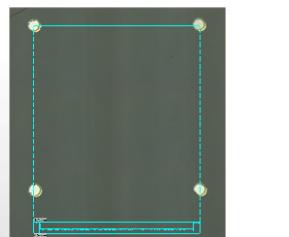
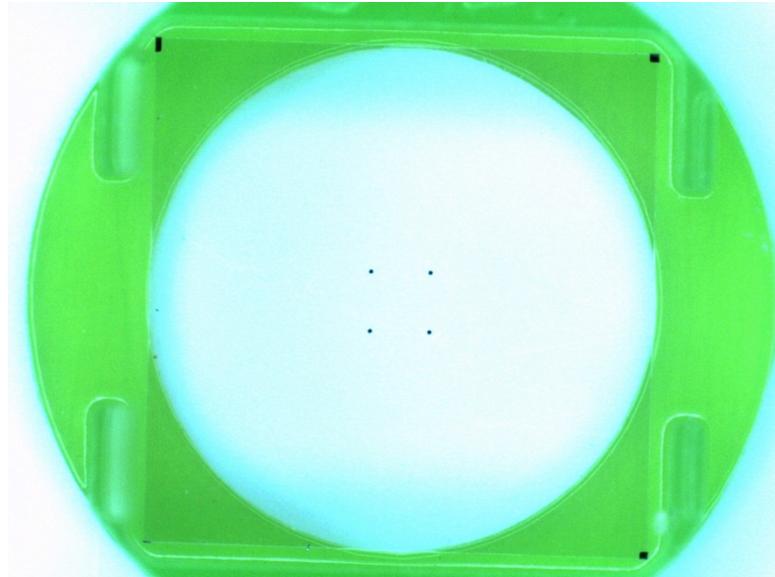
- Silicon features are to specification
- The rest of CH film featureless



# PLANAR IMPRINT FOIL

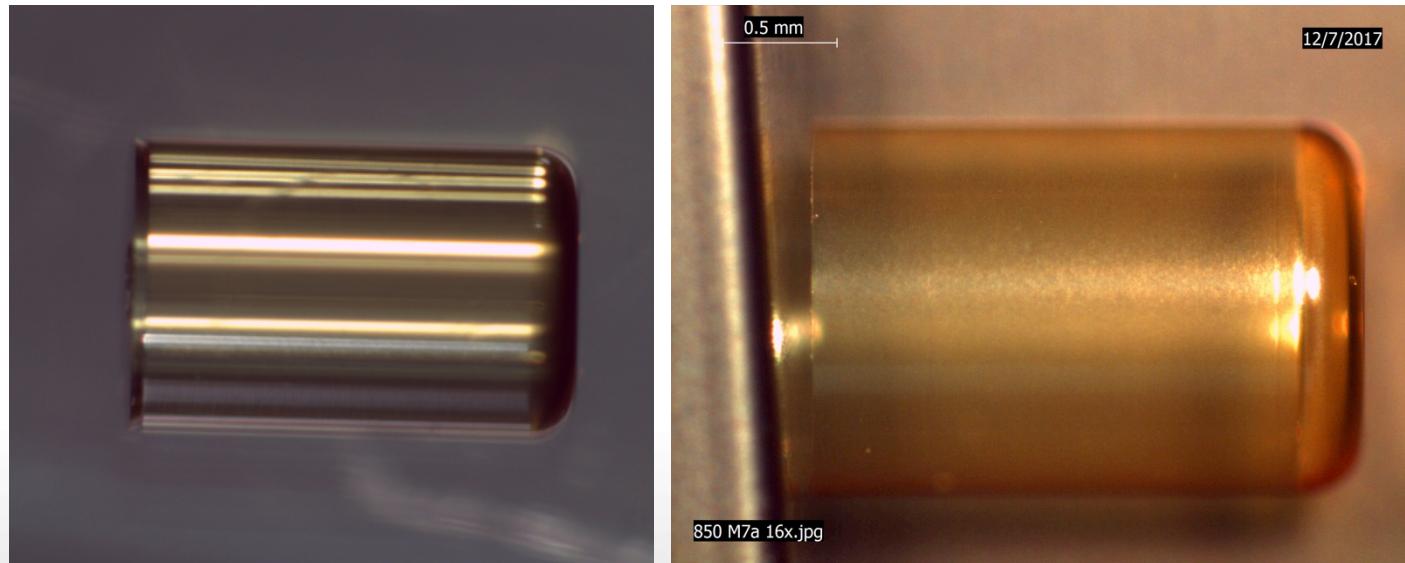


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# D<sub>2</sub>RADIOGRAPHY “CRYO CUPS”

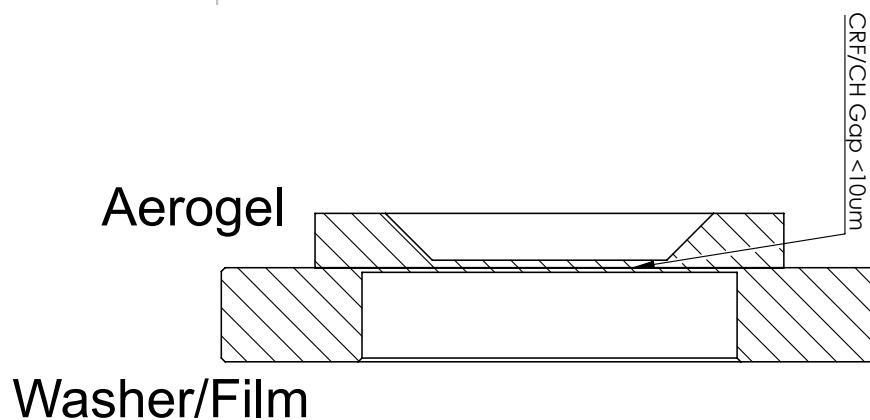
Challenge: create a cylindrical CH cup with a thin, tailored wall thickness profile (20 - 50 um thickness)



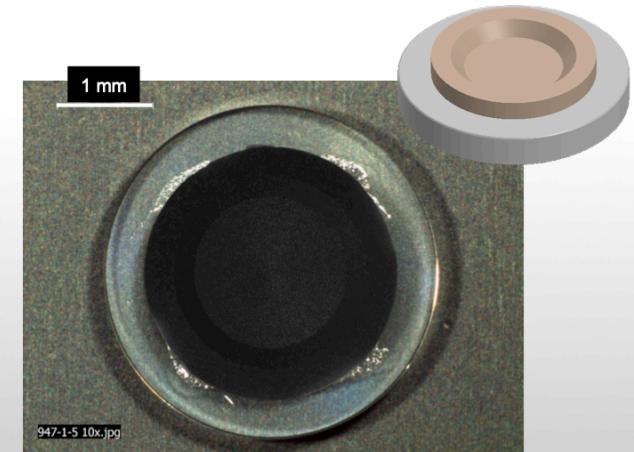
See Poster: Letts et al., “Fabrication of Cylindrical Structures using GDP coating on Mandrels”

# OHRV & Foam Imprint Targets

## Washer-Film Design (mm)



## Assembly

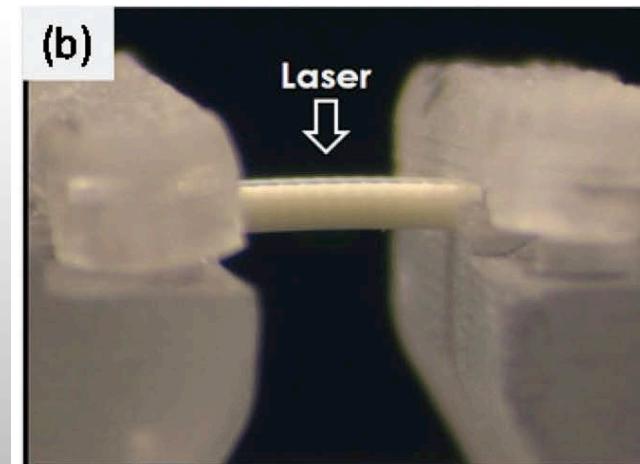
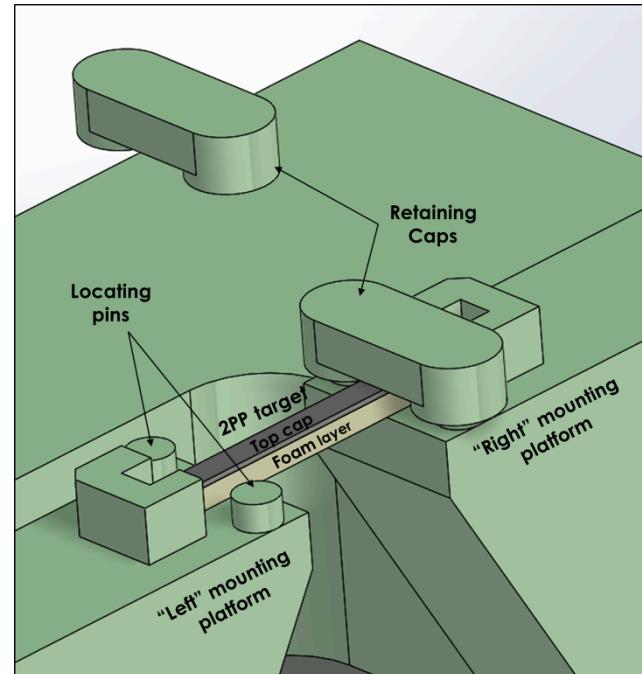
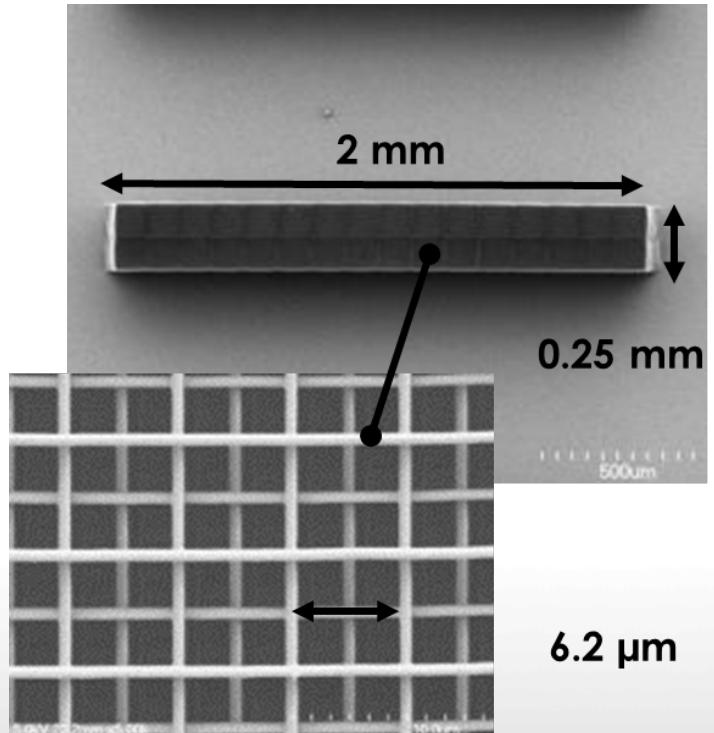


See poster by Streit, Bennett, et al.  
“Fabrication of Machined Foam-Film  
Assemblies for Laser Imprint Reduction”



## Schafer/UNL provides precision target components "printed" using 2-Photon Polymerization ("2PP")

Example: low density foam for NRL



Process development is  
also continuing

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# Work in Progress

# PHYSICS PACKAGES WITH METAL OXIDE FILMS

An example: Iron oxide

- But there are several varieties, none of which come as pure thin films



FeO - Wustite

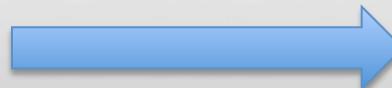


Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> - Magnetite



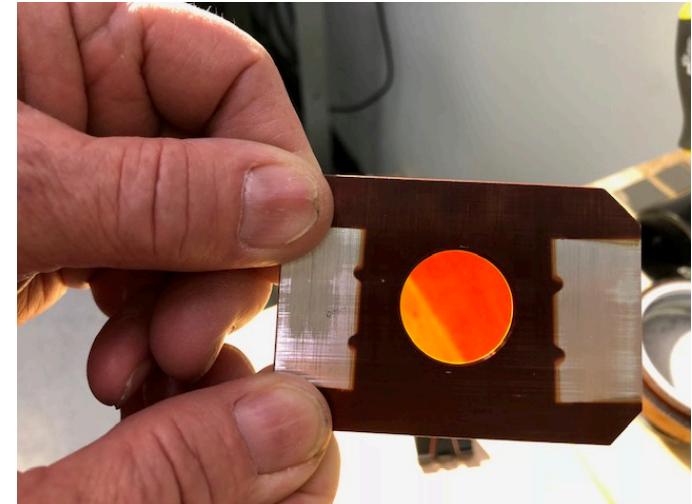
Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> - Hematite

Increasing oxidation levels



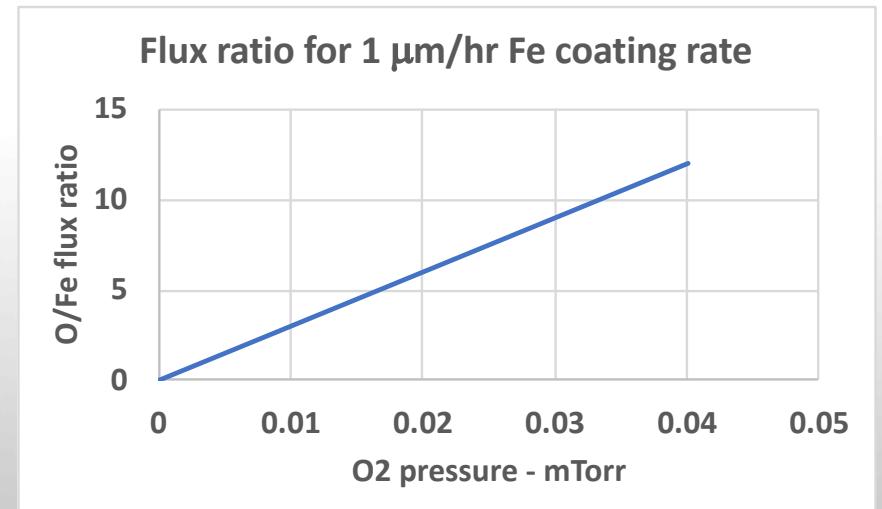
## Initial results from e-beam evaporation of Fe in O<sub>2</sub> background onto glass substrate look promising

- By appearance it's a clear transparent layer of Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>
- Measured index of refraction is consistent with full bulk density
- *However*, the desired material is FeO



Can O<sub>2</sub> background pressure be adjusted to give FeO?

- At chamber residual pressure (mid 10<sup>-7</sup> Torr), get pure Fe
- At ~ few × 10<sup>-4</sup> Torr, get Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>
- Work in progress

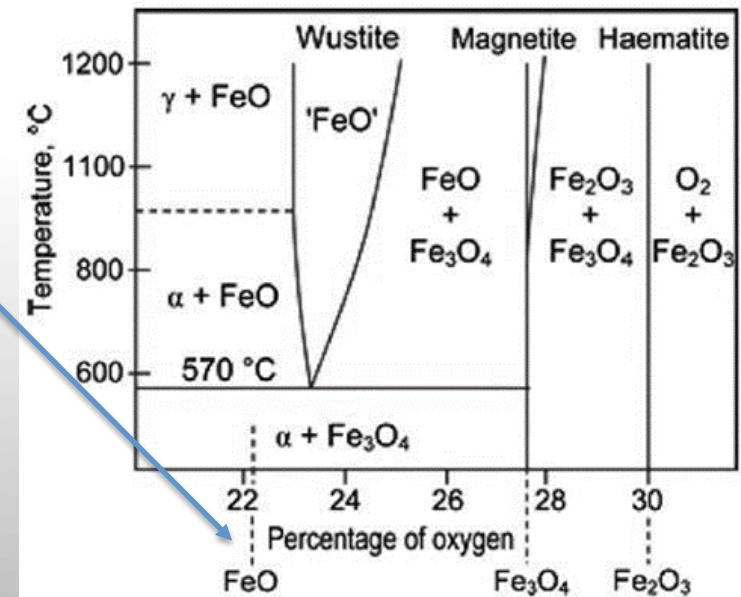
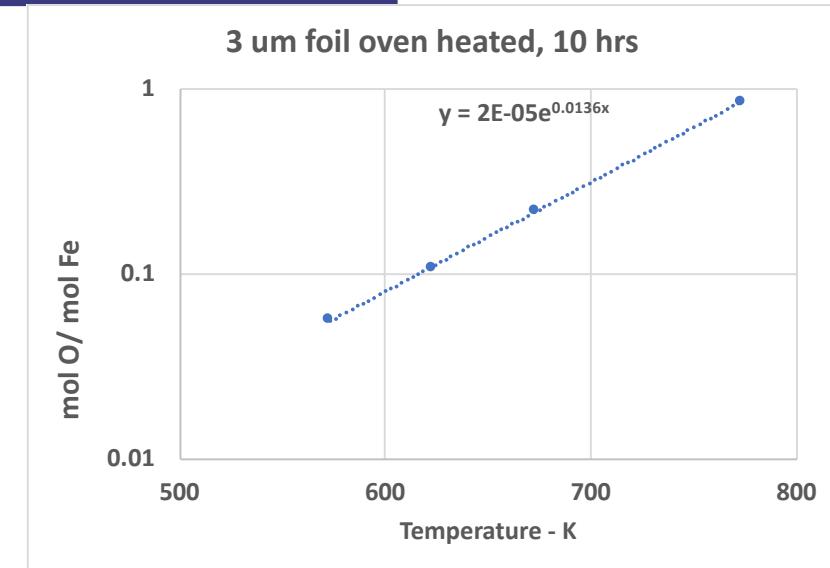


## 2<sup>nd</sup> approach: Oxidation of pure Fe coated layers

- PVD pure Fe onto substrate
- Furnace oxidize
- Oxidation rates determined from weight gain

*However:*

- The phase stability diagram is complex
- Notice that stoichiometric FeO is not a stable phase
- We are experimentally assessing the effects of temperature and atmospheric composition to give FeO



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