

DNA Origami Nanopores

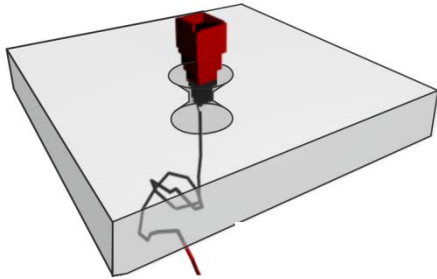
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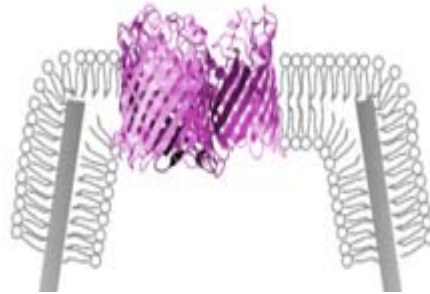
Physical principles governing membrane transport

DNA origami nanopores



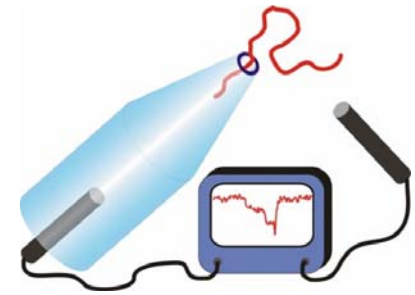
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Protein nanopores



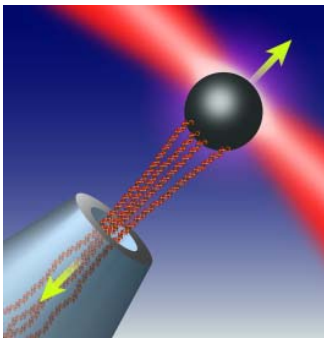
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Glass Nanopores



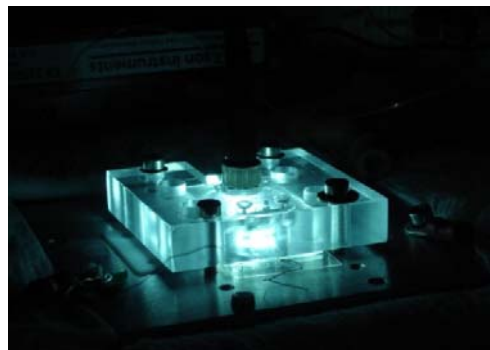
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Optical tweezers & nanopores



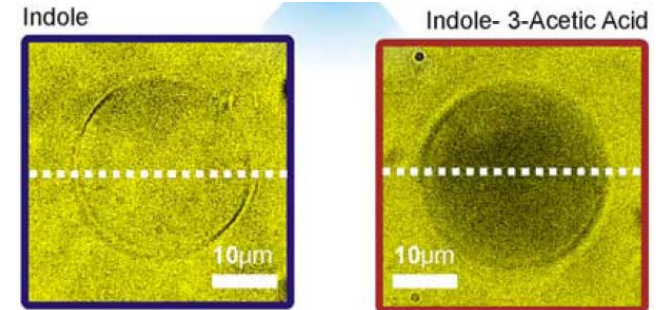
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Transport through lipid membranes



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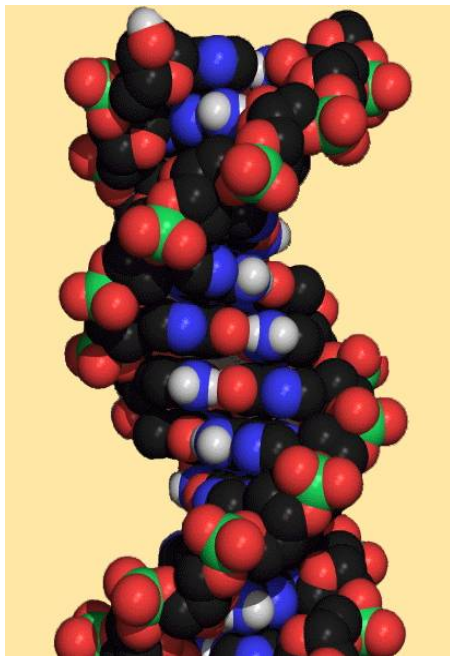


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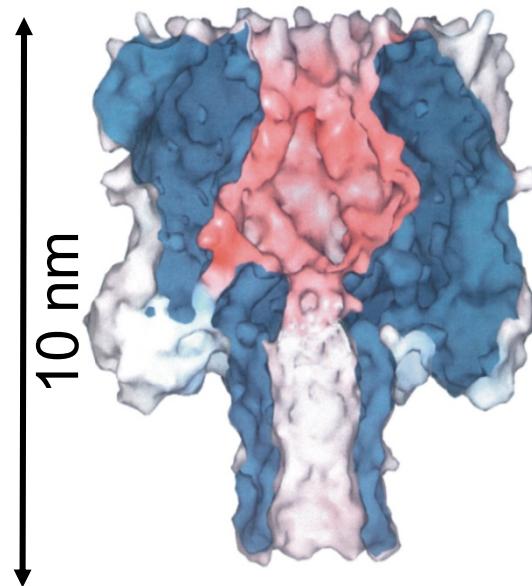


Single molecules: Length scales

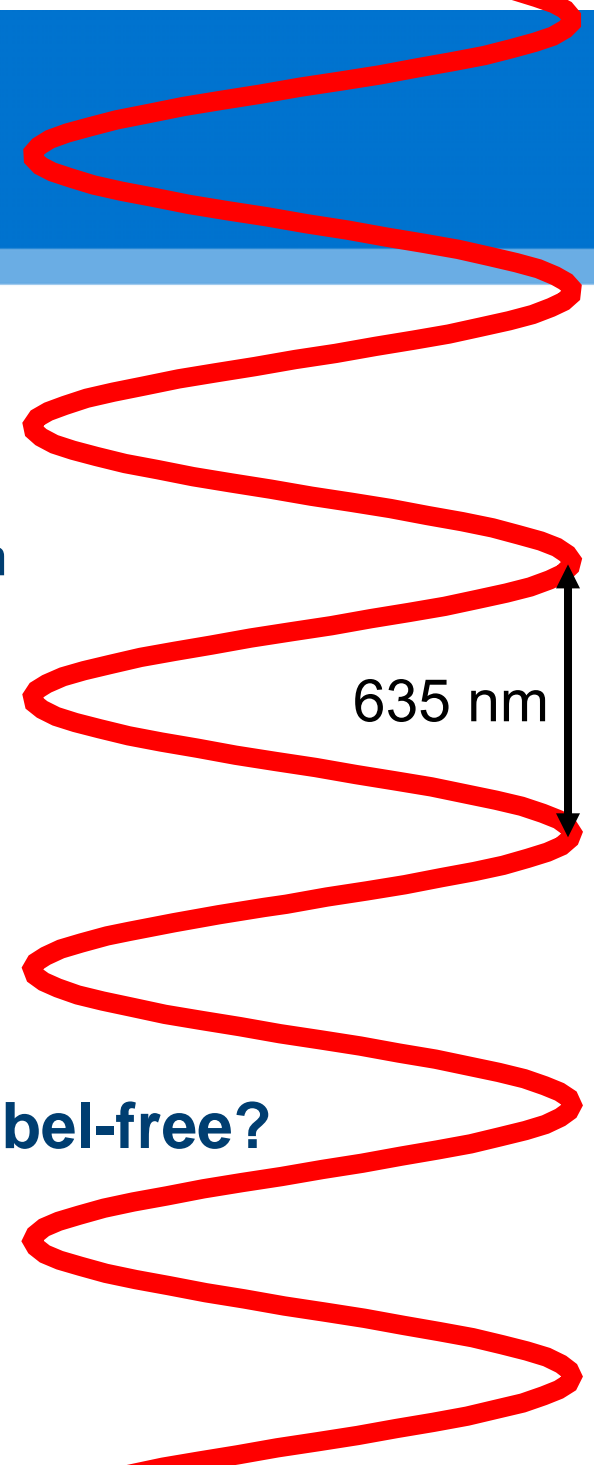
- Typical diameter of DNA: 2 nm
- Typical dimension of a protein : ~10 nm
- Typical wavelength of visible light : 400 – 800 nm



~2.2 nm

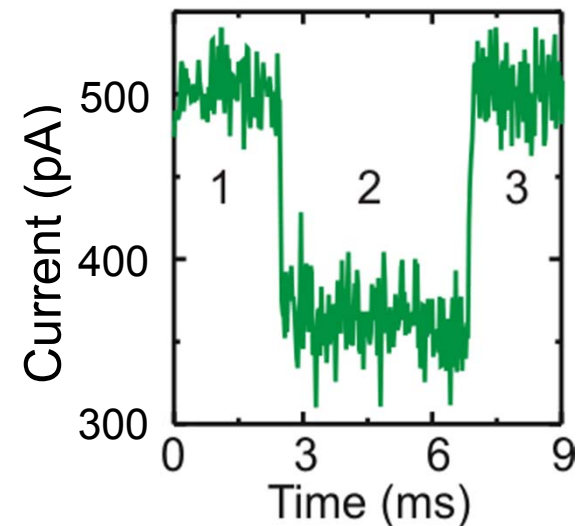
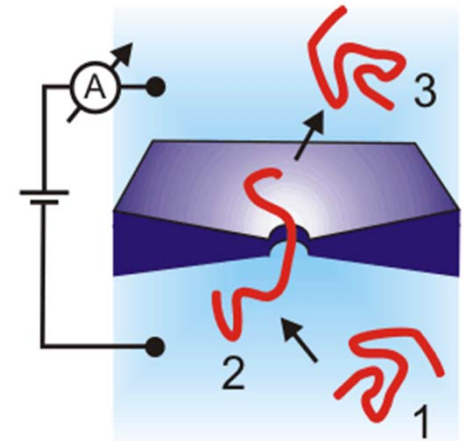


- label-free?



Molecular Coulter counters: nanopores

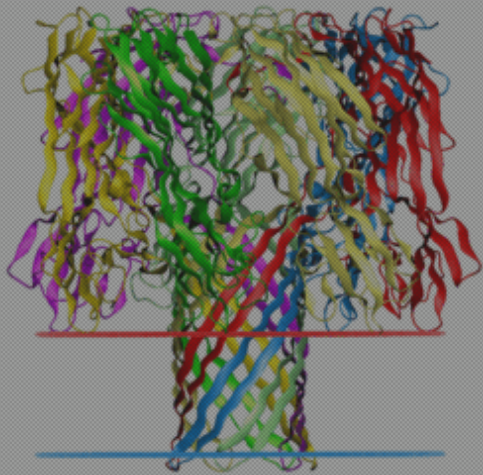
- A nanopore is a small hole with diameter <100 nm
- Electrical field in salt solutions is confined \Leftrightarrow nanopore is a spatial filter
- Possible applications for nanopores:
 - Single molecule detectors
 - Label-free detection*
 - Analysis of biopolymers
 - Lab-on-a-chip
 - Model systems for biological pores
 - DNA Sequencing



Nanopore systems under active development

Biological nanopores

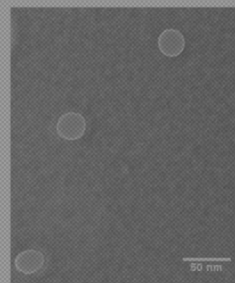
Membrane proteins reconstituted into artificial lipid bilayers e.g. α -Haemolysin from *Staphylococcus Aureus*



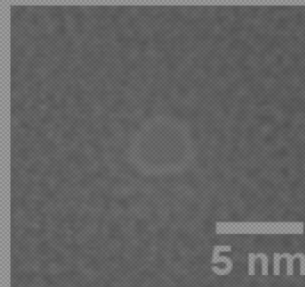
Deamer, Church, Bayley, Bezrukov, Branton, Akesson, Meller, ...
DNA sensing since 1996

Solid state nanopores

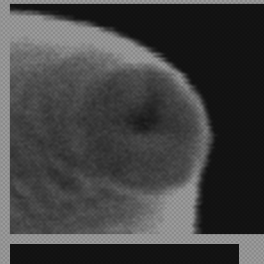
Use TEM to sputter away atoms from a SiN or graphene membrane, glass nanopores



Glass



Graphene



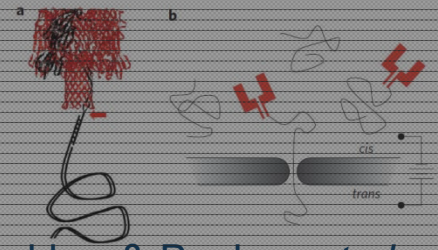
100 nm

Golovchenko, Dekker, Timp, Klenerman, White, Drndic, Keyser, ...
DNA sensing since 2001

Hybrid nanopores

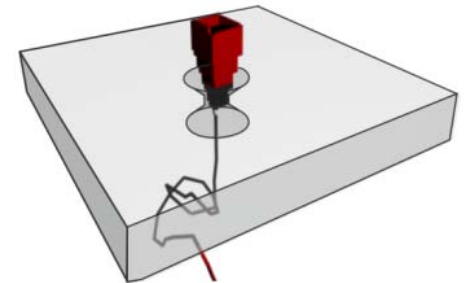
Combinations of protein or DNA origami nanopores with solid-state nanopores

Protein + solid-state



Dekker & Bayley, *et al.*, ...
DNA sensing since 2010

DNA origami + solid-state

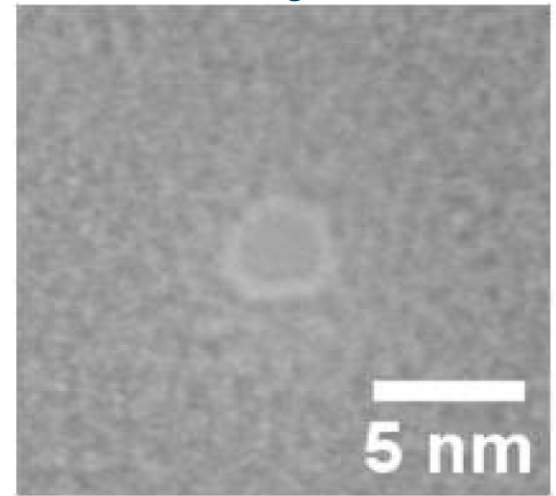
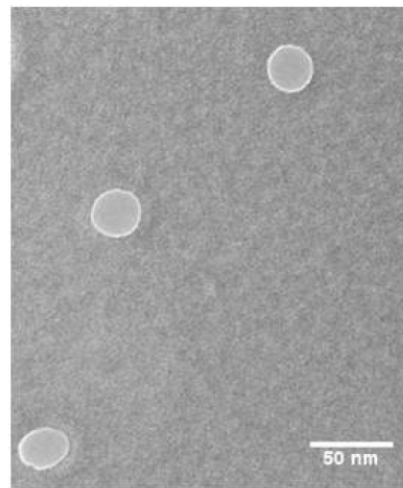
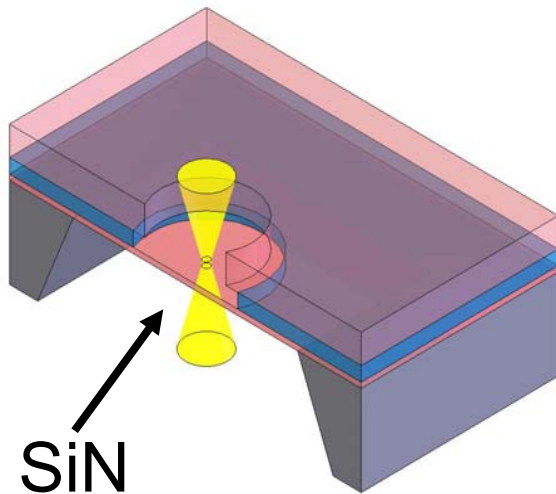


Keyser & Liedl, *et al.*, ...
Rant & Dietz, *et al.*, ...
DNA sensing since 2011

Solid-State Nanopores

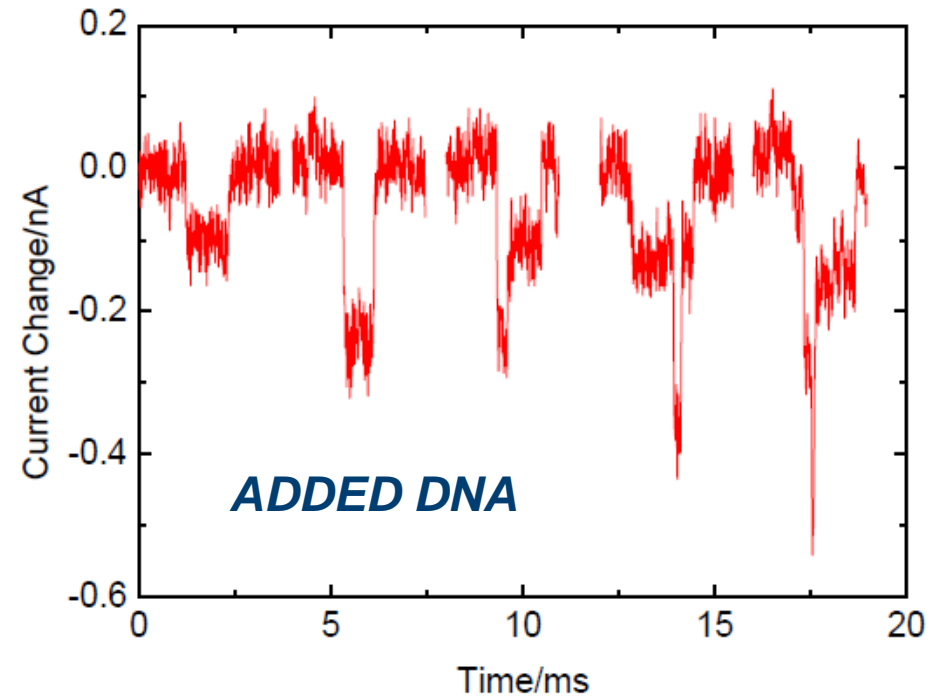
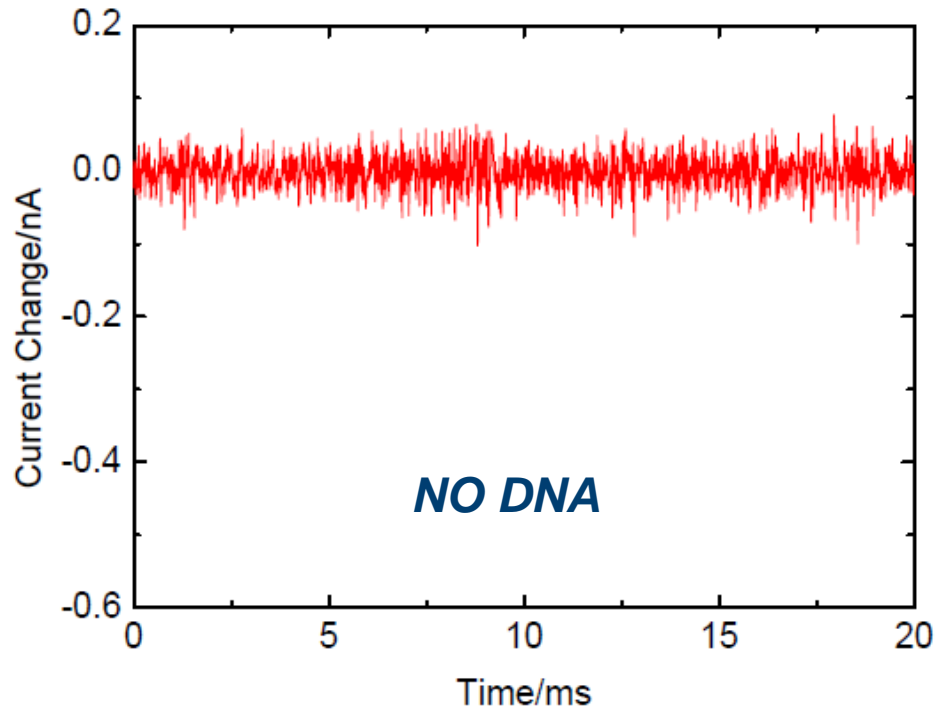
Drilling & sculpting nanopores with an electron beam

N. Bell & C. Ducati, Cambridge



- diameter: variable
- very robust, pH, solvents, ...
- Problem: no control on atomic level
- ***OUR SOLUTION: DNA origami***

DNA folding can be analysed



- Analysing DNA structure is possible
- Folding is indicated by ionic current levels

Objective for nanopore fabrication

- Single molecule sensing with solid-state nanopores works for:
DNA, DNA-protein complexes, RNA, proteins etc.

BUT:

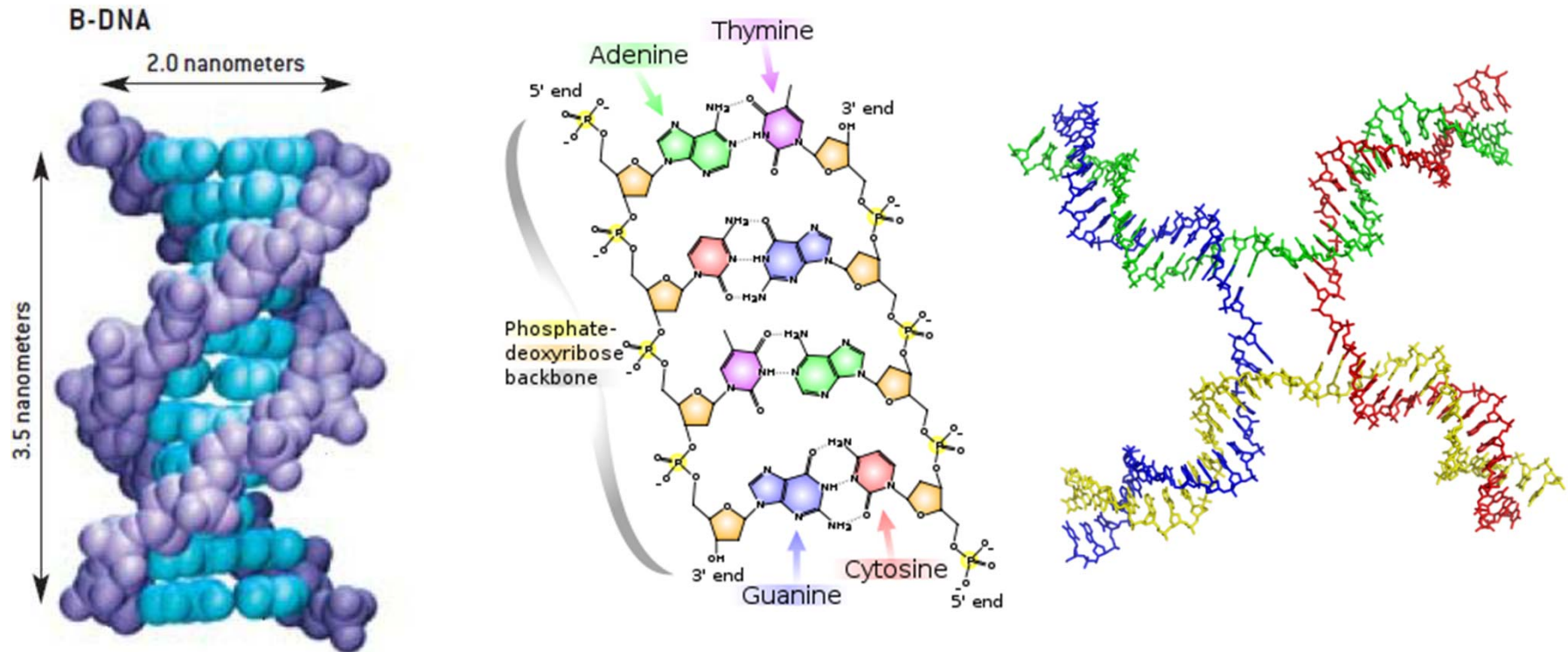
- Ideally we would like to control the

surface properties and shape

on molecular (atomic) level

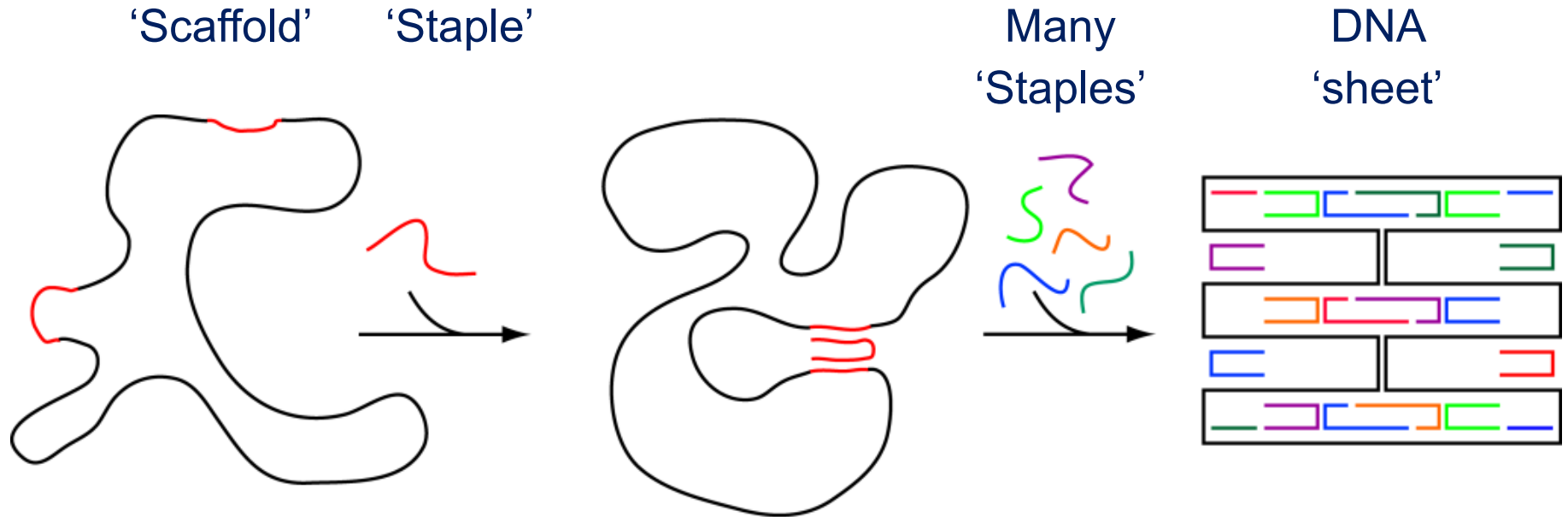
to increase the specificity and sensitivity

Structural DNA nanotechnology



- DNA can be arranged into diverse structures by harnessing basepairing

DNA origami self-assembly



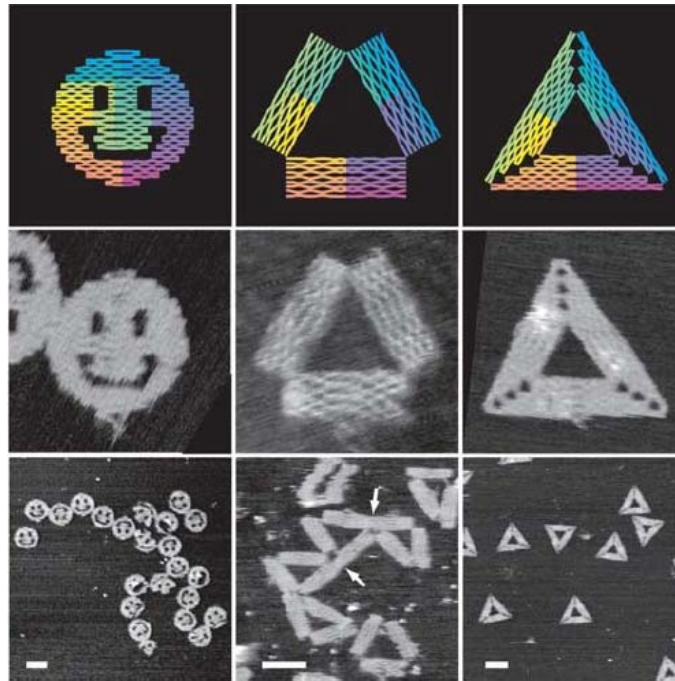
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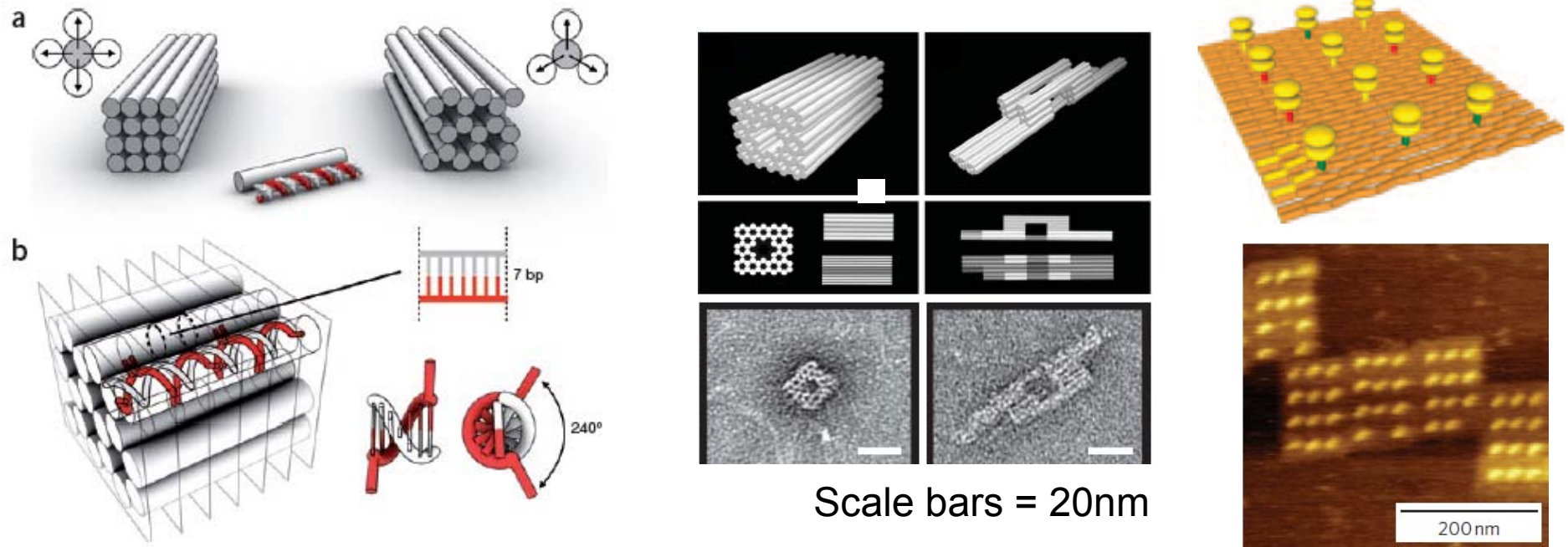
DNA origami self-assembly



Scale bars = 100nm

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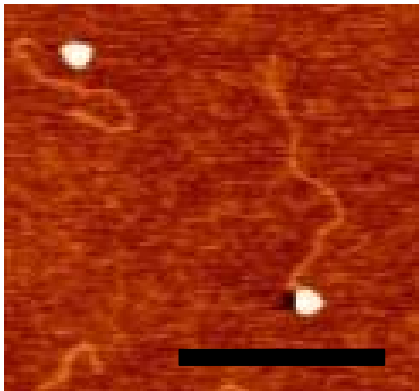
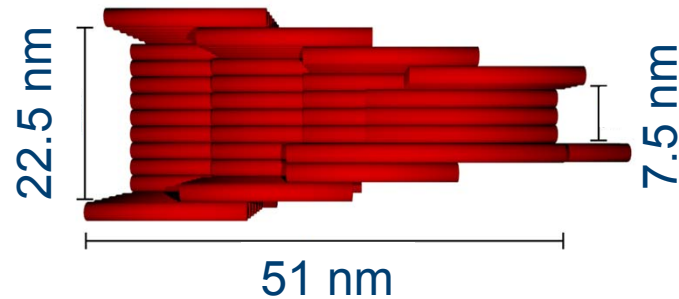
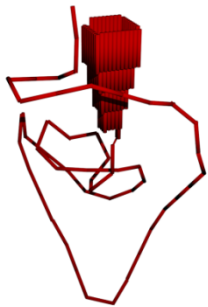
DNA origami in three dimensions



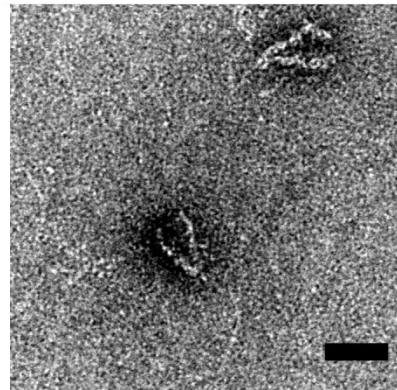
- Three dimensional structures can be made by extending the scaffold through hexagonal or square lattices
- Staple strands can be modified for site specific attachments

First DNA origami nanopore

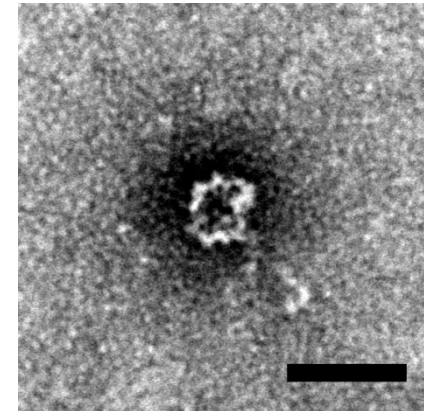
- 3D DNA origami nanopore with a 7.5nm central constriction designed to fit into a solid state nanopore with diameters 10-20nm



Scale bar=500 nm



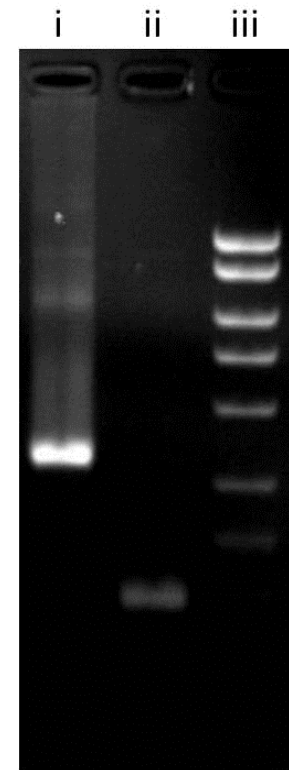
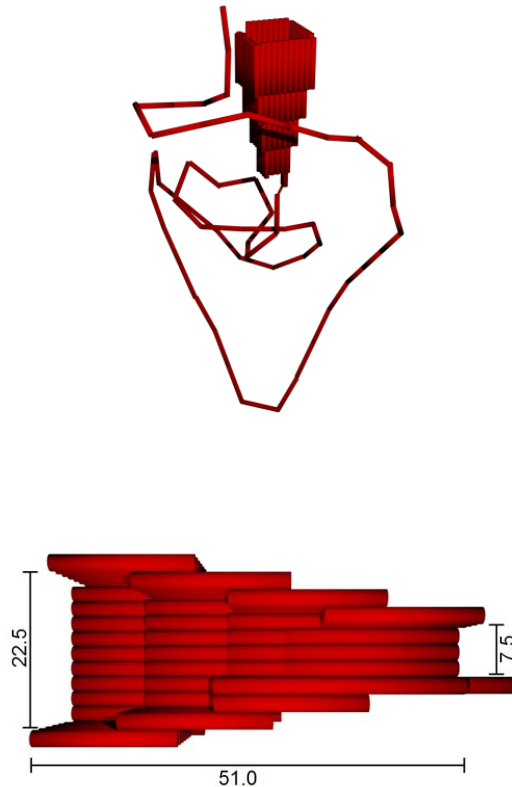
Scale bar=50 nm



Scale bar=50 nm

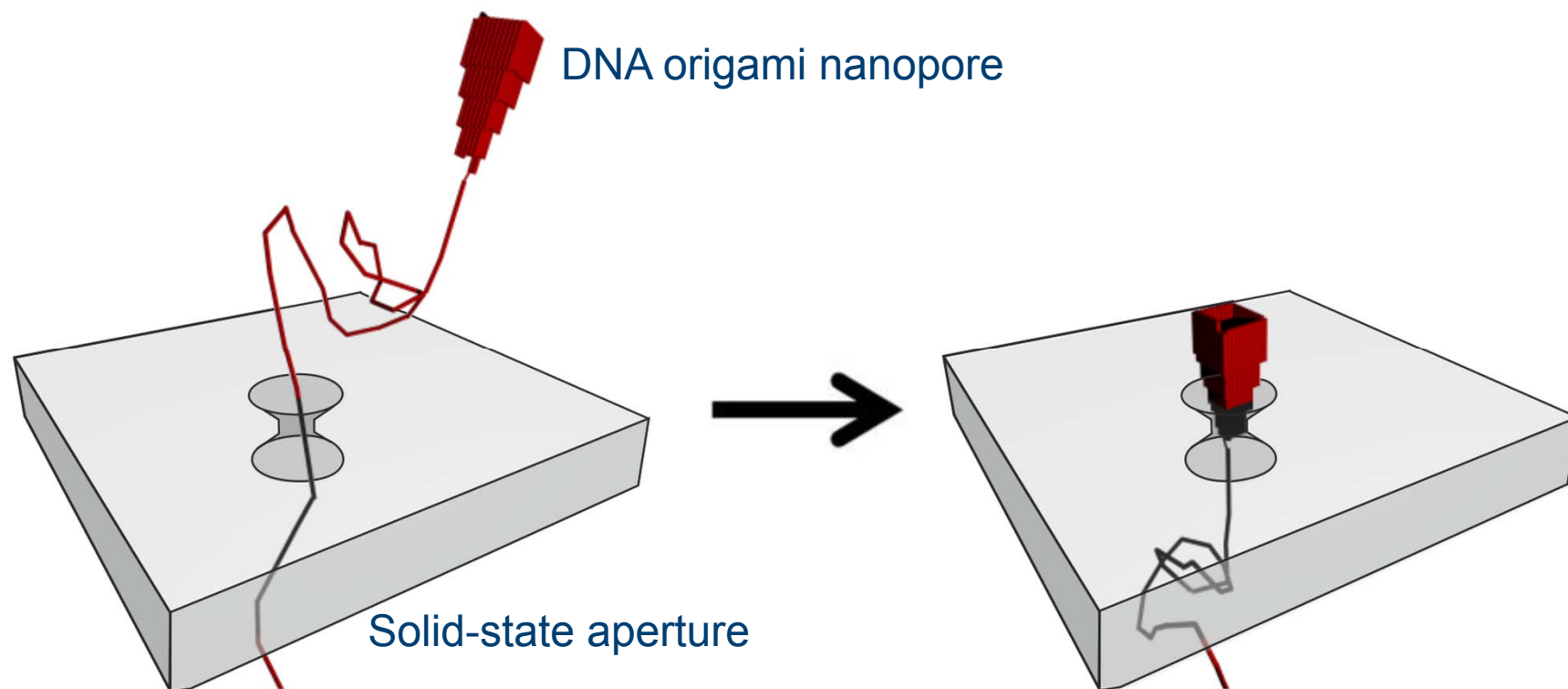
DNA origami nanopore

- We have designed a 3D DNA origami nanopore with a narrowest constriction of 7.5nm
- Agarose gel electrophoresis shows a well defined band containing the correctly folded structures at 14mM $MgCl_2$
- DNA construct is stable at 1M KCl

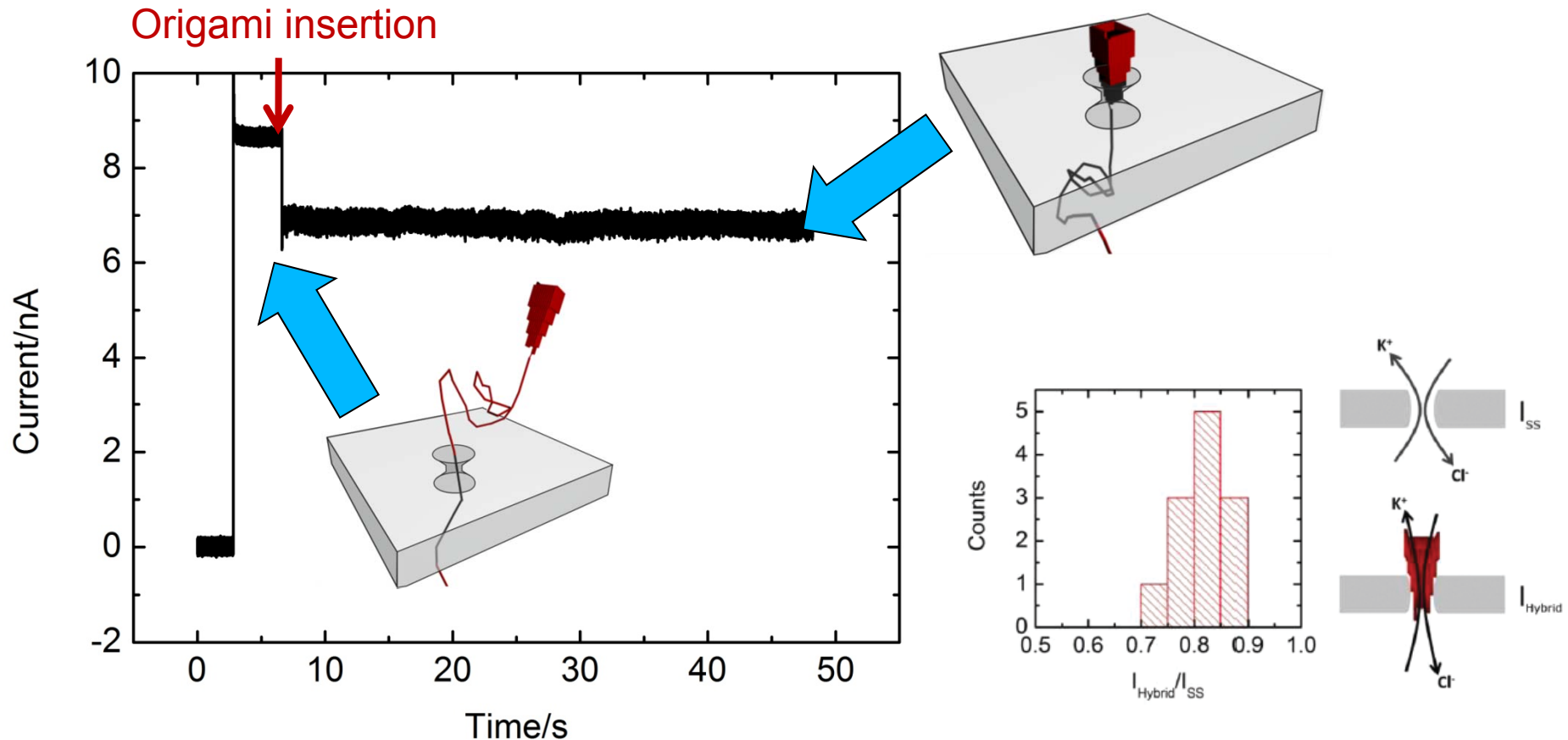


Lane i = DNA origami nanopore
Lane ii = M13 ssDNA
Lane iii = DNA ladder

Voltage-driven assembly of a DNA origami nanopore

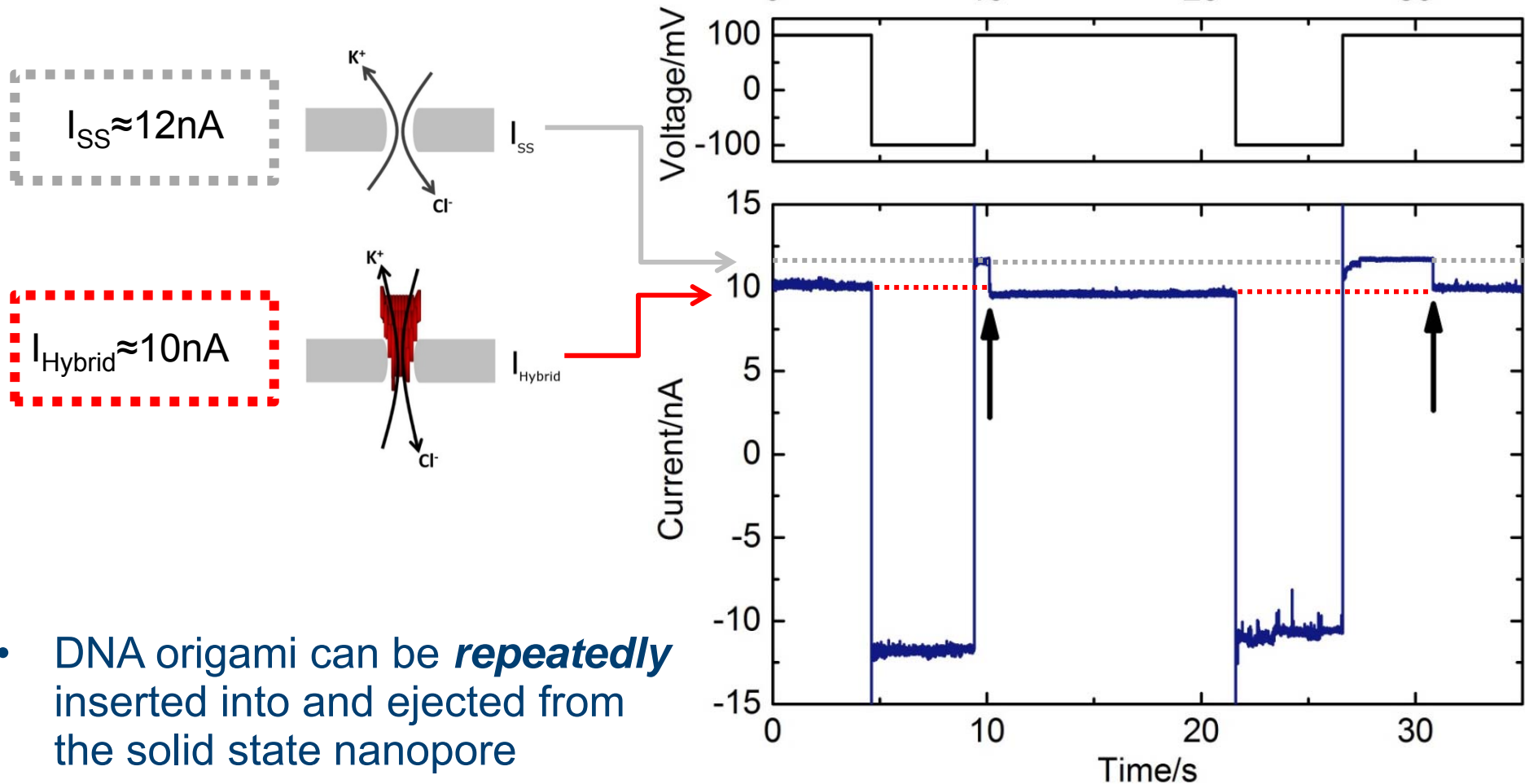


Insertion of DNA Origami into a solid-state hole



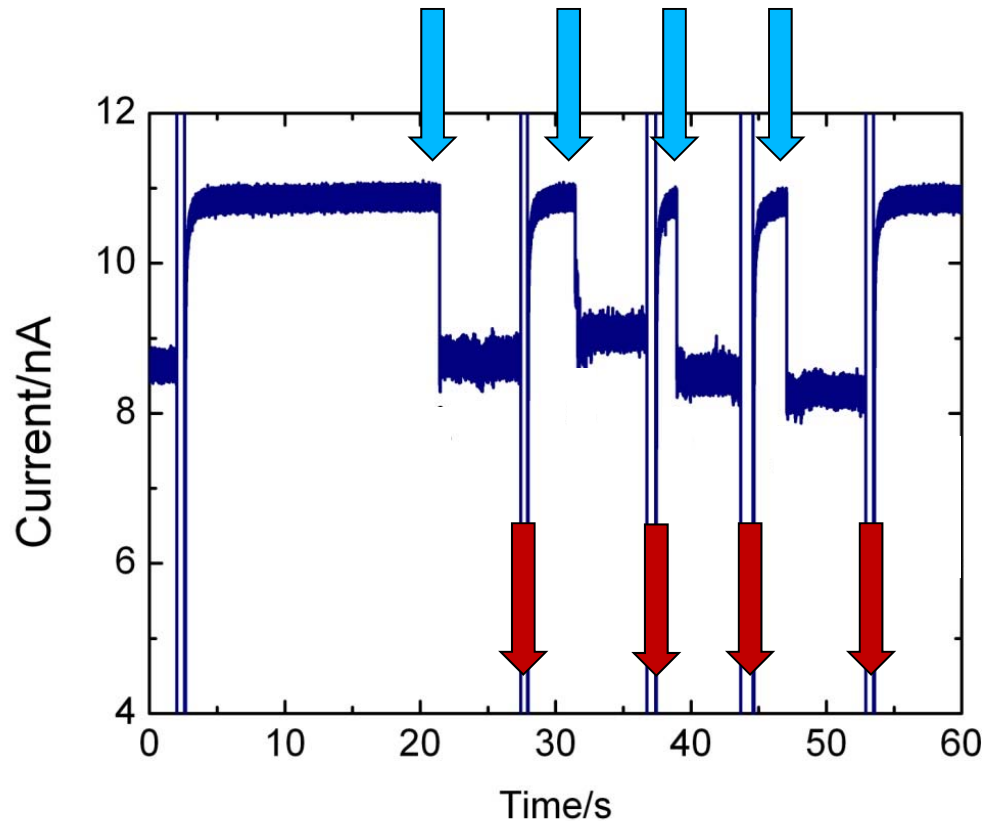
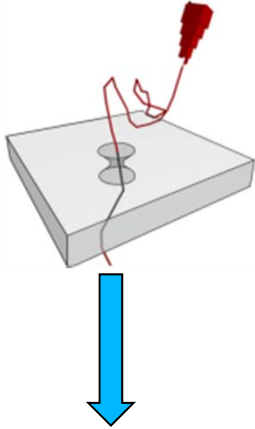
- For each run add 5 μL of origami solution (from gel extraction) to 5 μL 2M KCl, 0.5xTBE. Final solution of 1M KCl, 0.5xTBE, 5.5mM MgCl_2 , pH 8.0.

Repeated Assembly of DNA origami hybrid pore

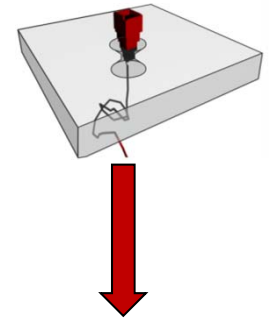


Fast cycling of DNA origami nanopores

Insertion



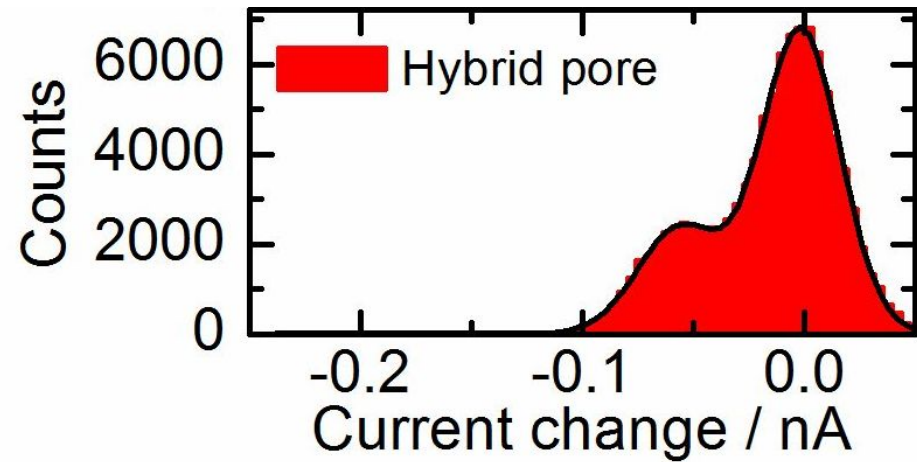
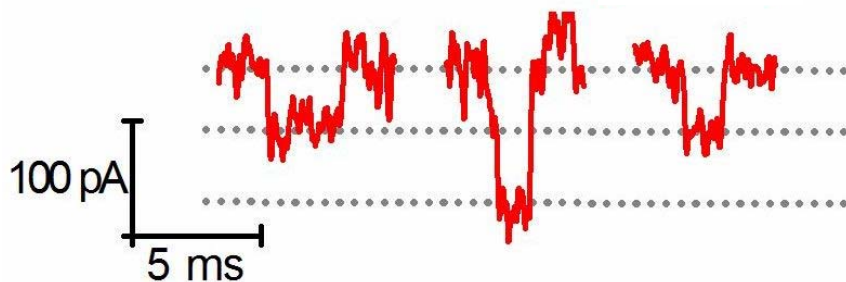
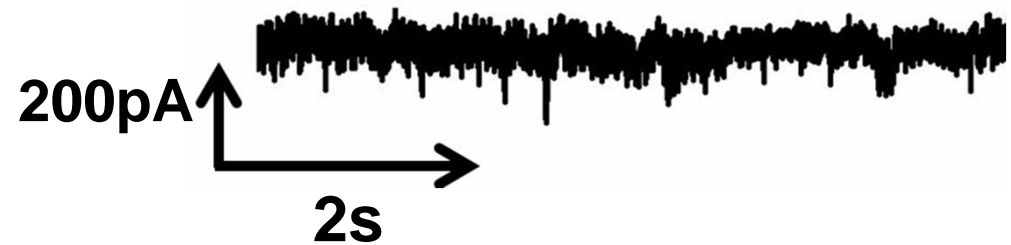
Pull through



- Many pores can be cycled in a few seconds through the solid state pore by applying $>1V$ and pulling the DNA origami through the nanopore

DNA detection with DNA origami nanopore

- λ -DNA translocations after formation of hybrid nanopore

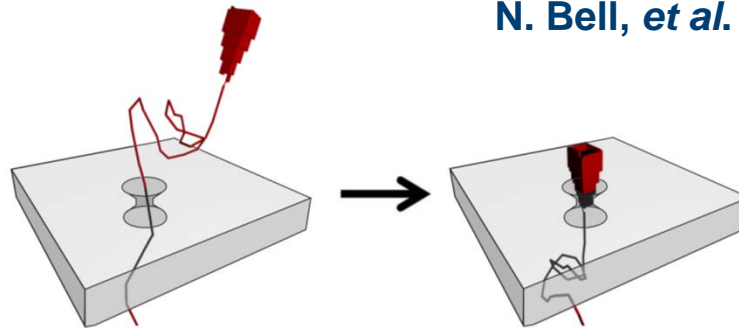


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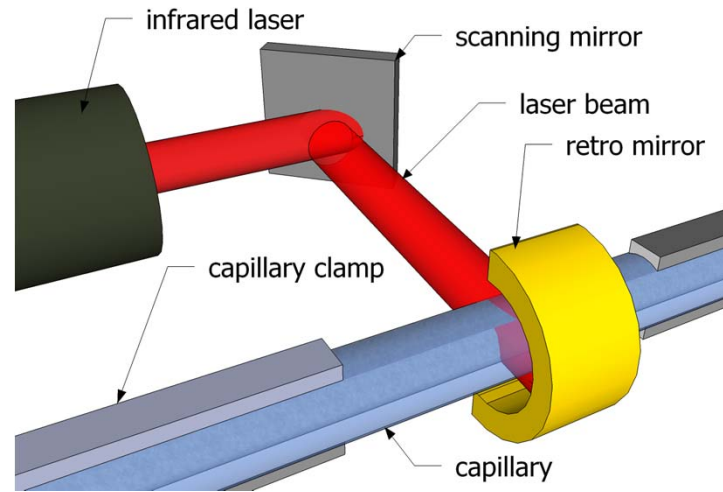
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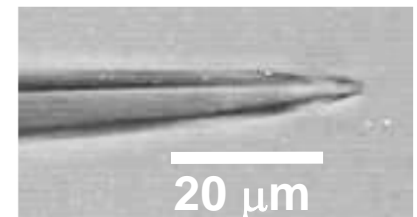
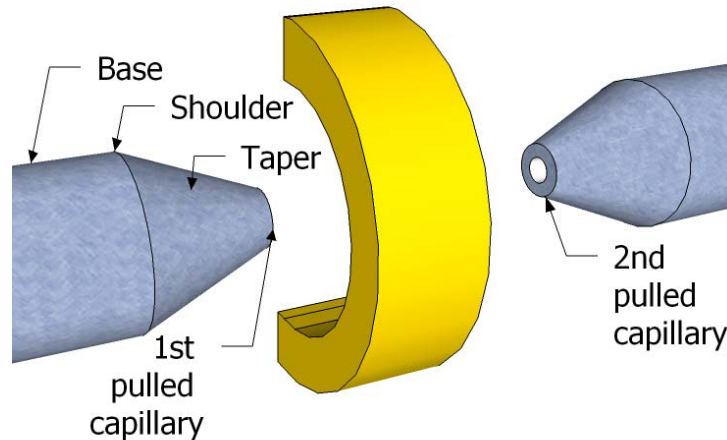
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Fabrication of Glass Nanocapillaries

1. Glass capillary placed in puller
2. Laser heats up capillary and force applied to both sides: glass softens and shrinks
3. Strong pull separates glass in two parts

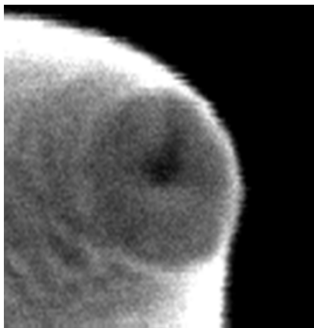


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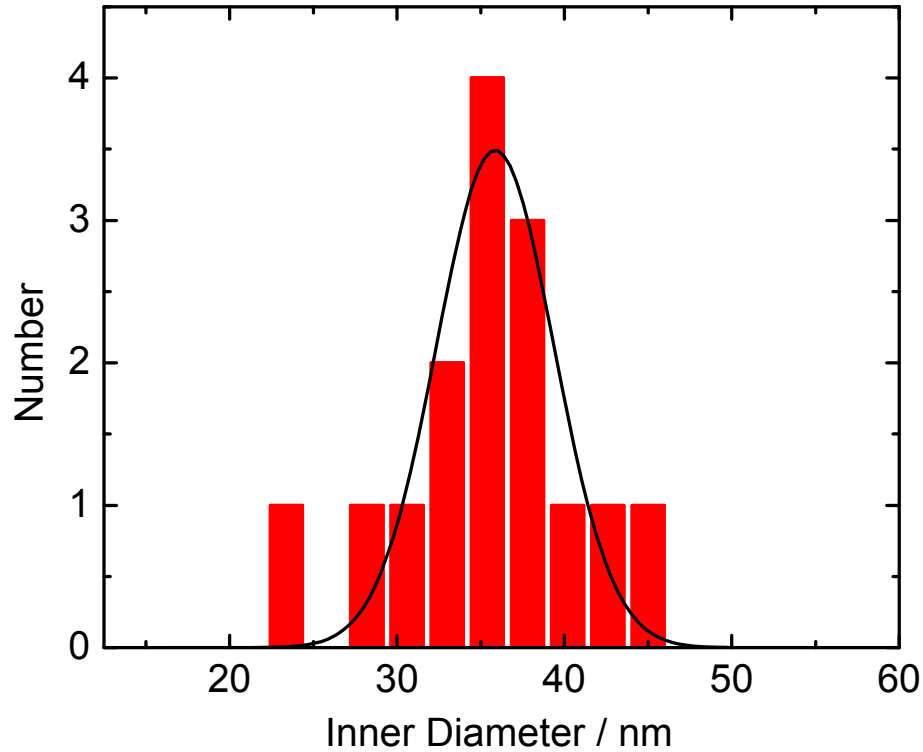


Diameters of Nanocapillaries

~20 nm diameter

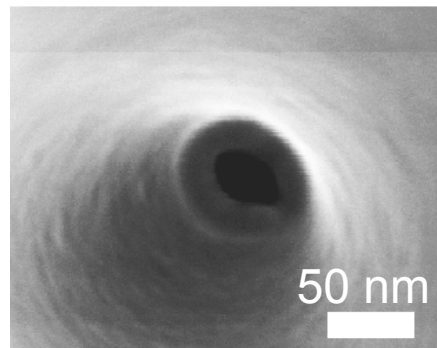
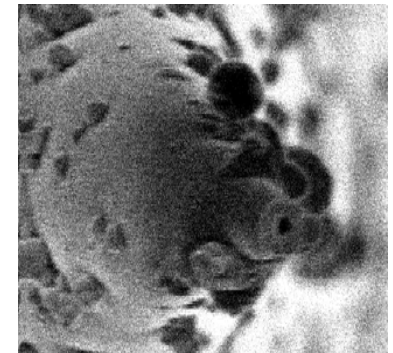


100 nm



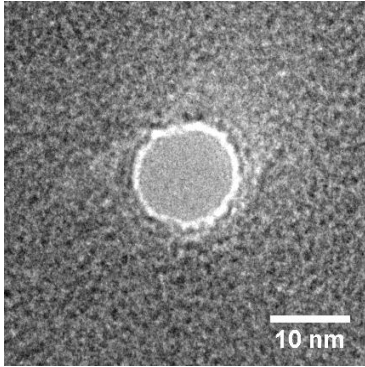
- Optimization of pulling parameters for nanocapillary diameters down to ~20 nm

~40 nm diameter

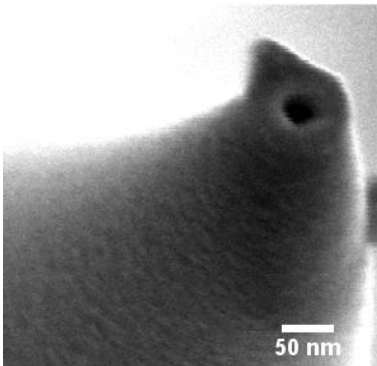


Adapting DNA origami nanopores

SiN nanopores

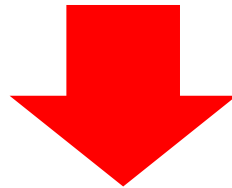


Glass nanopores



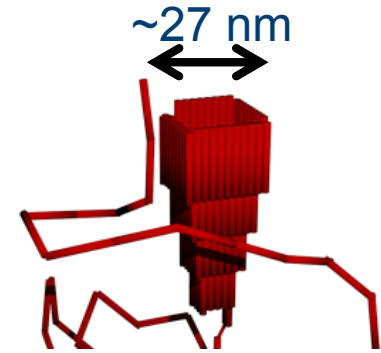
However...

Fabrication of SiN nanopores is challenging and requires use of TEM to ablate the surface

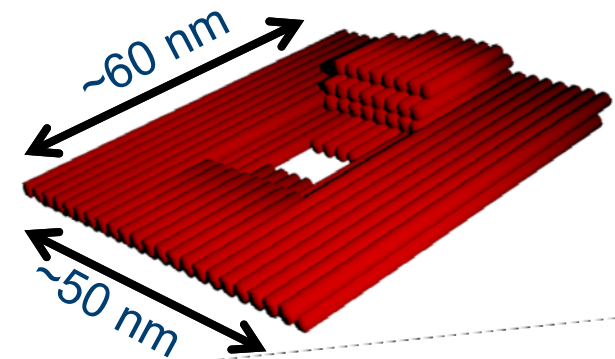


Nanopores from pulled glass capillaries represent a good alternative due to their lower cost and fast preparation time

'3D' DNA origami nanopore

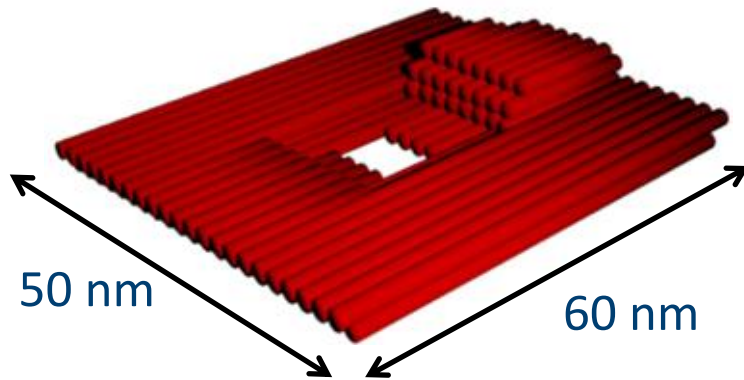


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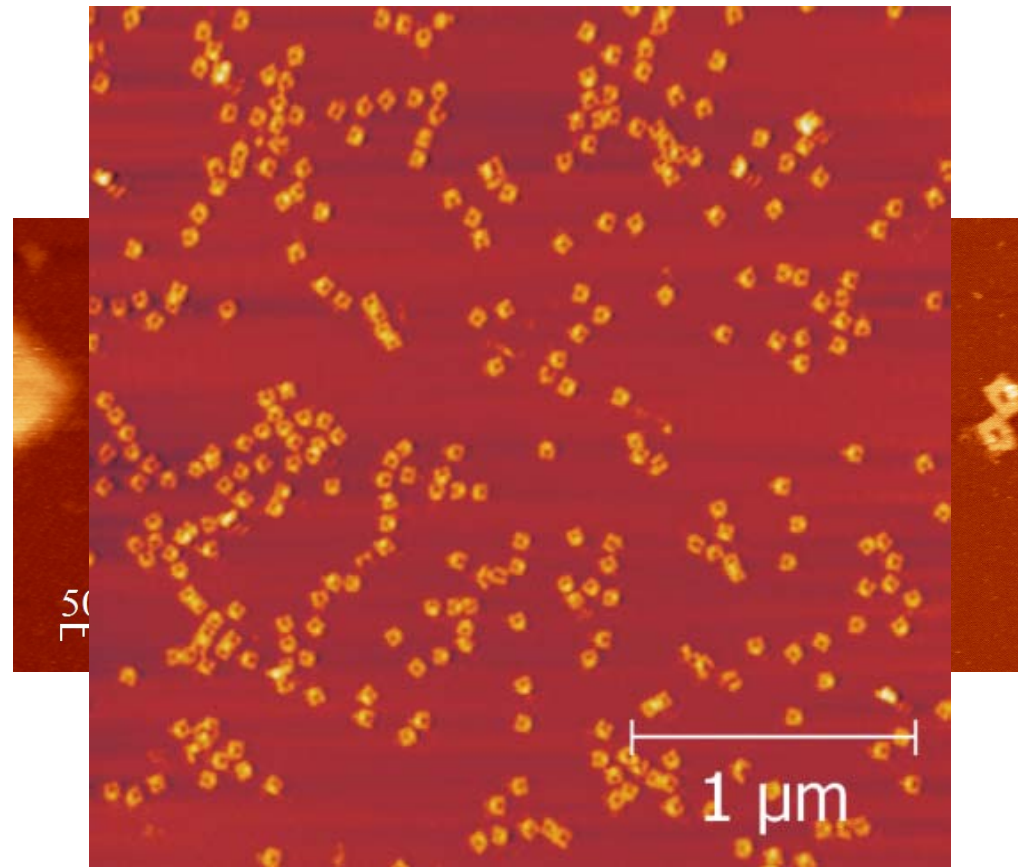


Flat origami design for nanocapillaries

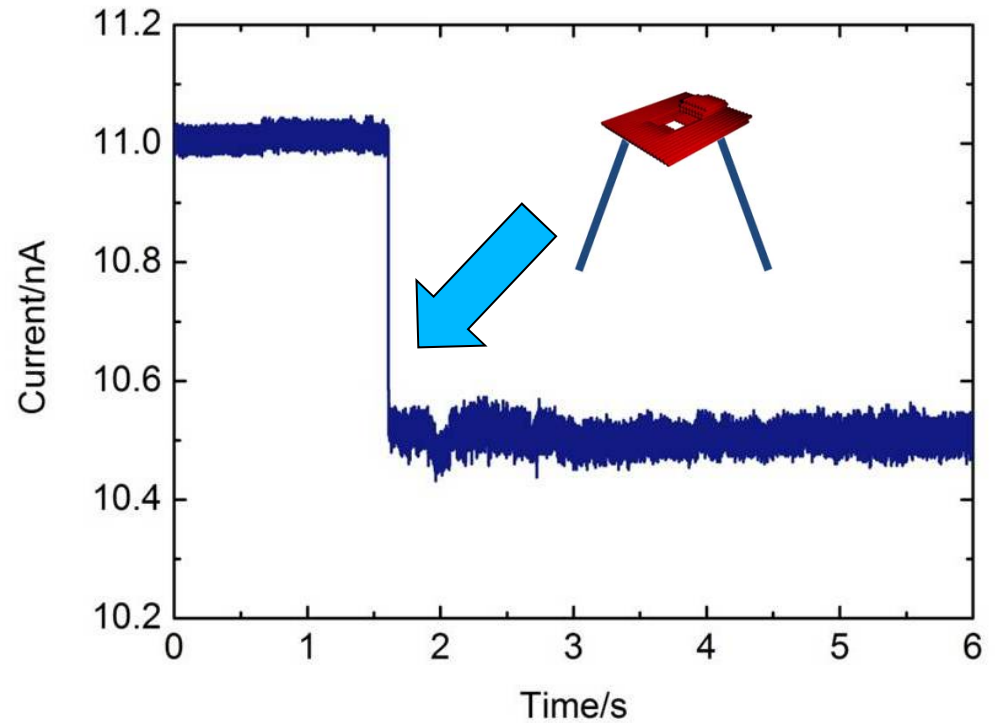
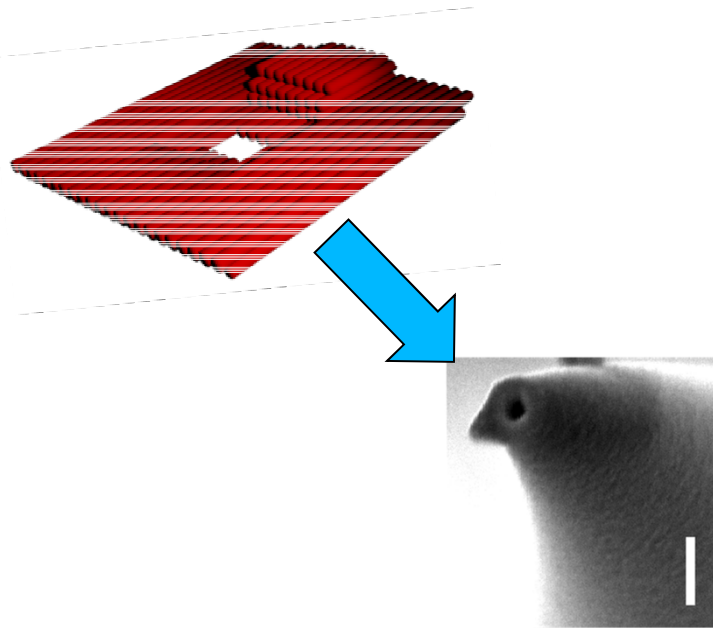
Flat design



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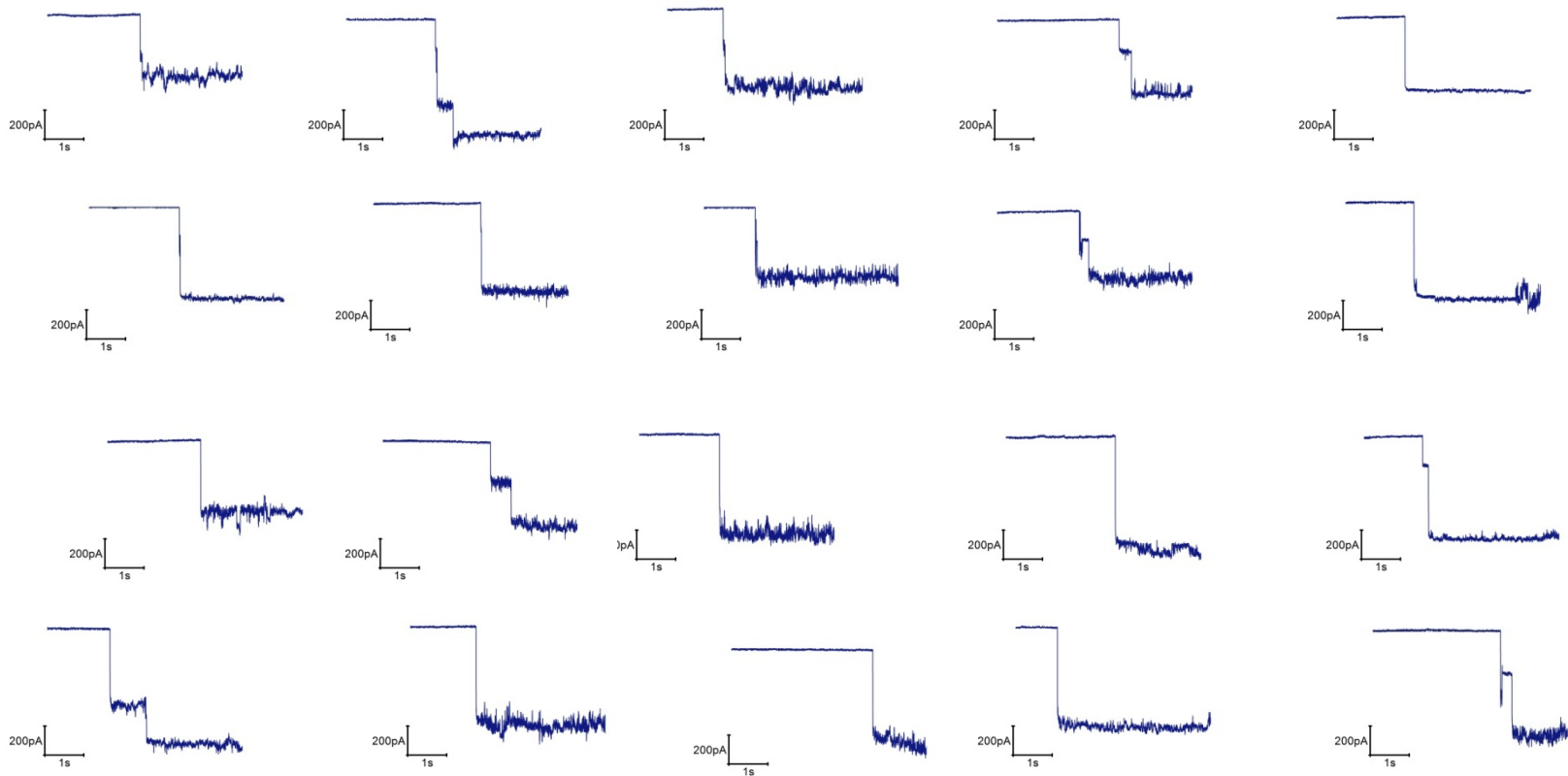


DNA origami combined with nanocapillaries



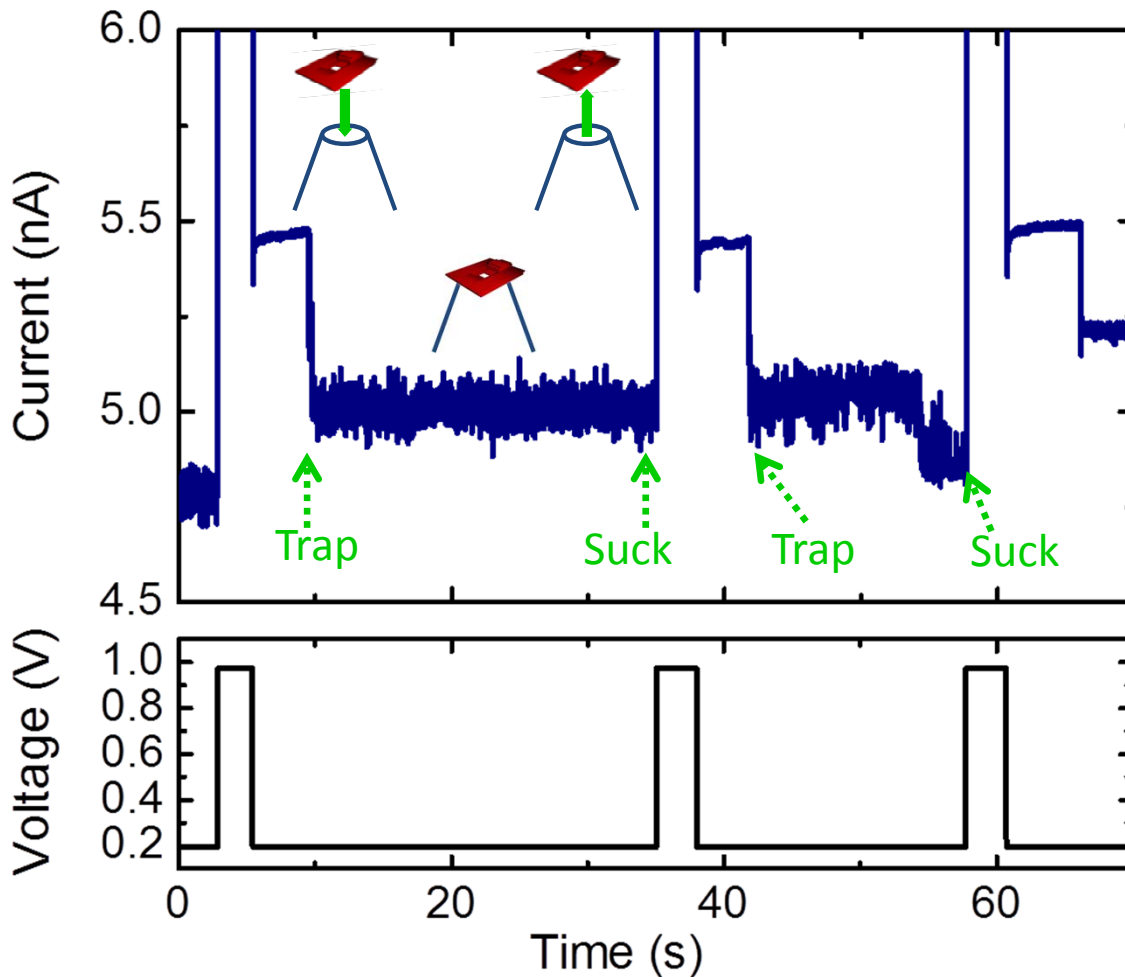
- Successful assembly of DNA origami nanopores on nanocapillaries
- Greatly simplified approach to fabrication and measurement process

Hybrid nanocapillary-origami nanopores



- Successful assembly of DNA origami nanopores on nanocapillaries, again, ... and again, ... and again

Flat origami trapping on nanocapillaries



Flat origami is trapped upon applying 0.2 V

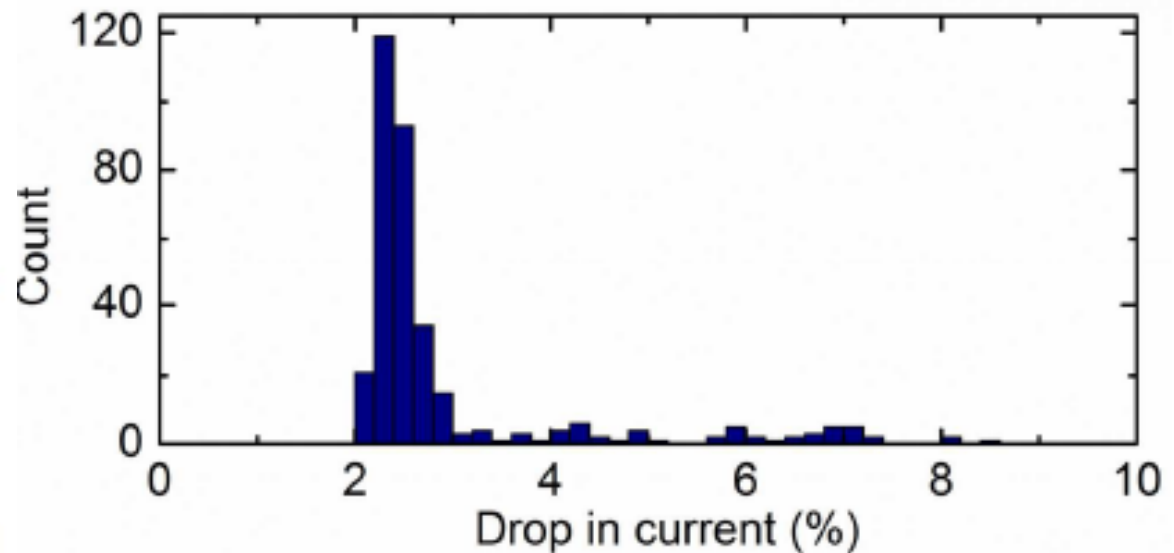
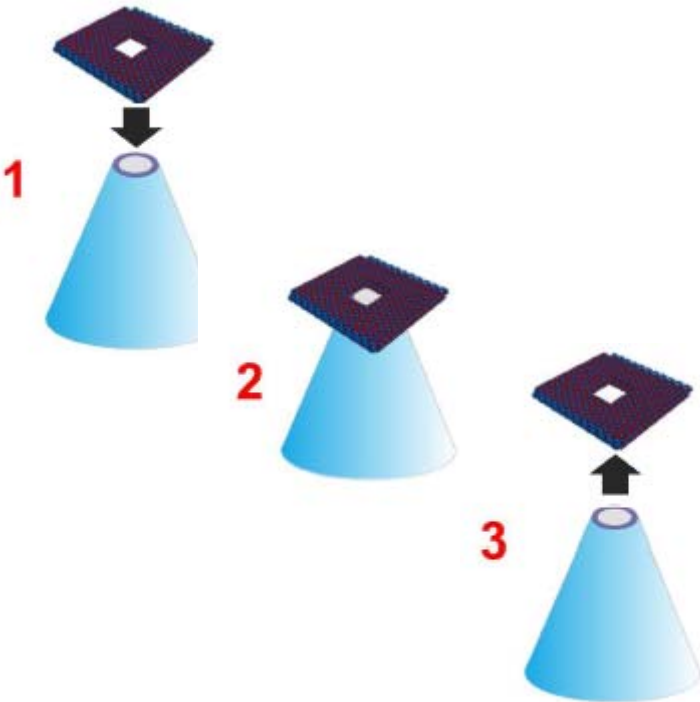
Current noise increases when the origami is attached

Flat origami can be also sucked by applying 1V

Trap and suction can be reversibly performed more than hundred times

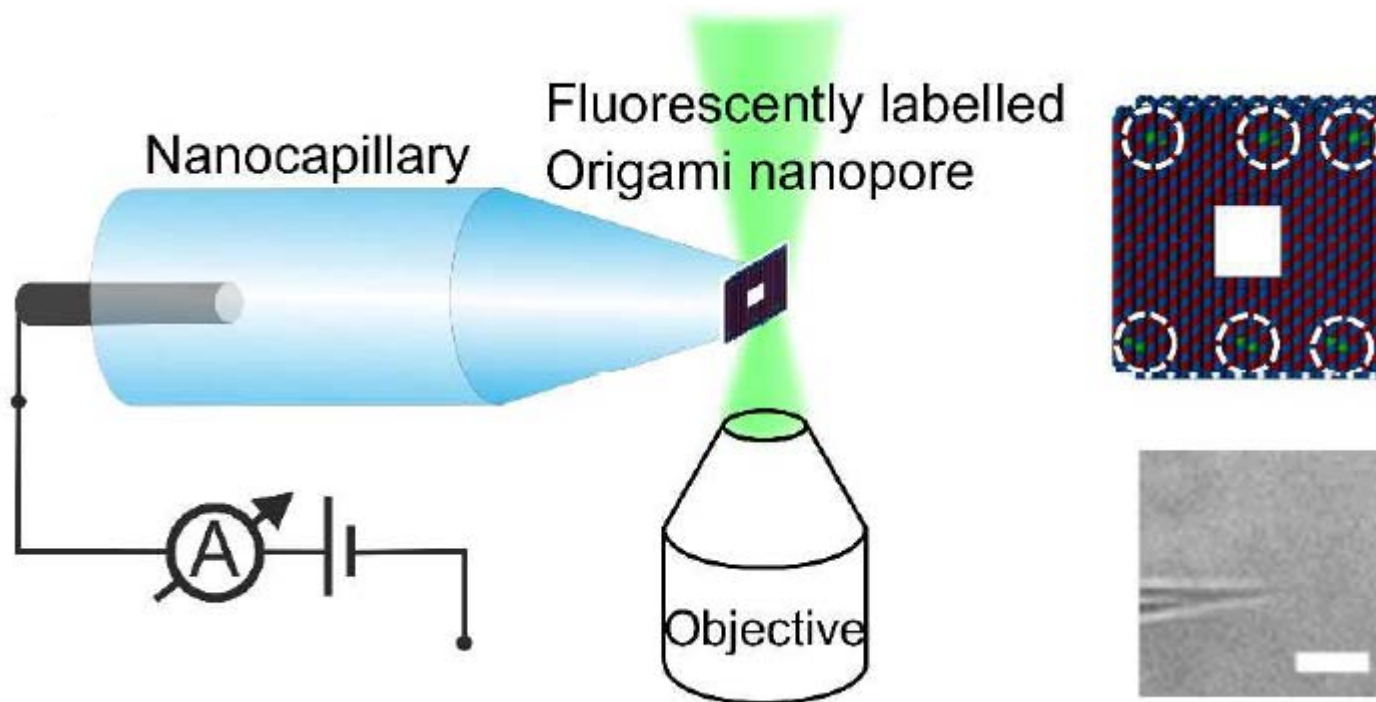


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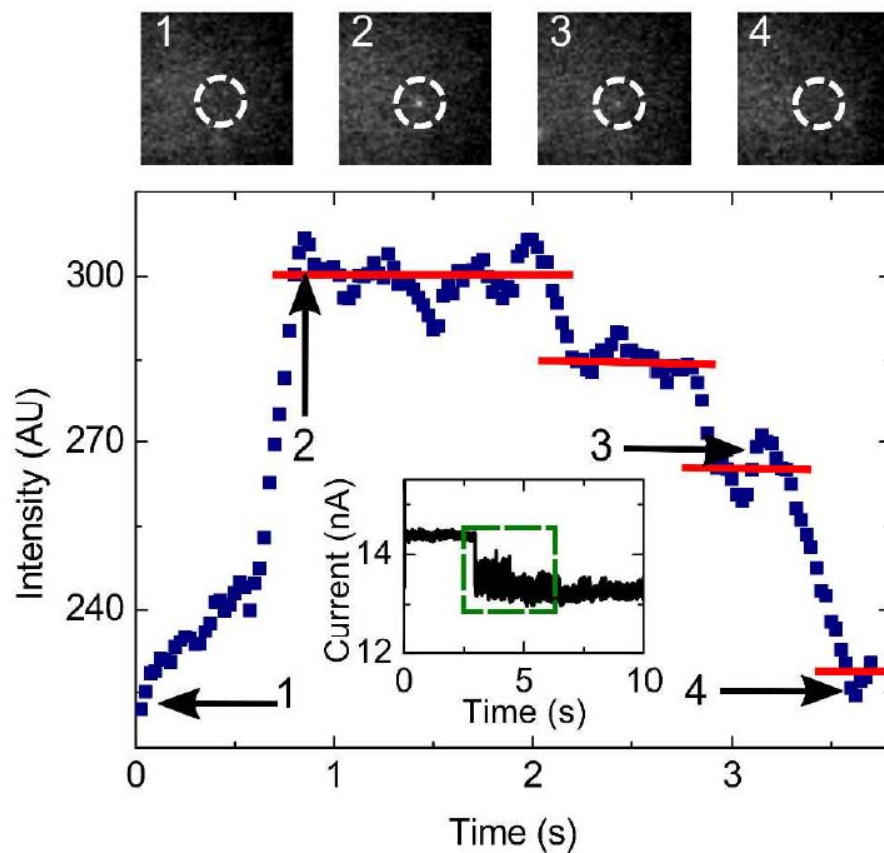
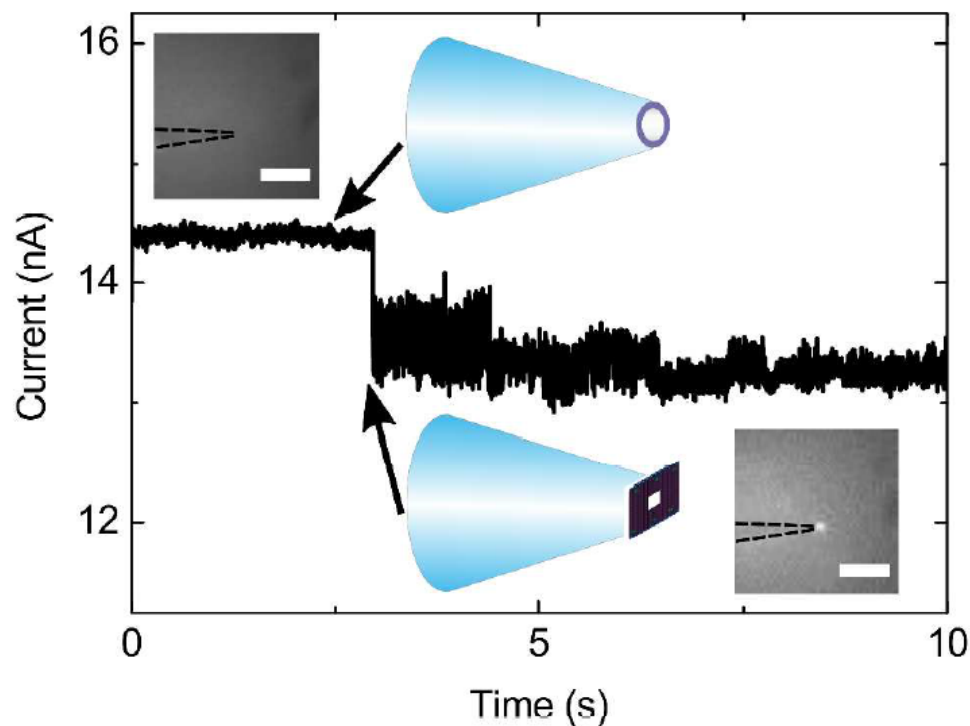
- Repeating the experiments 100s of times allows to resolve details like multiple insertions

Simultaneous current and fluorescence measurements



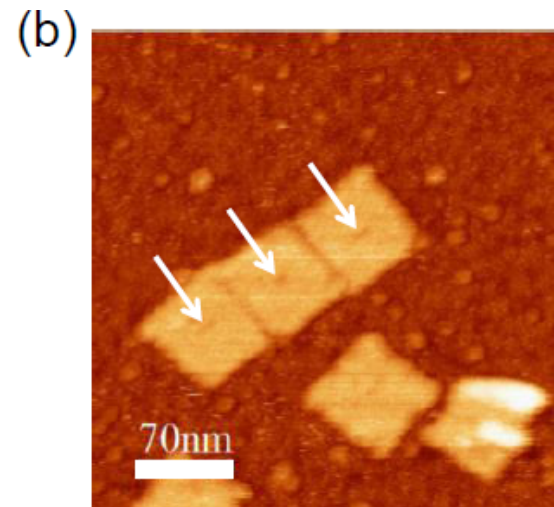
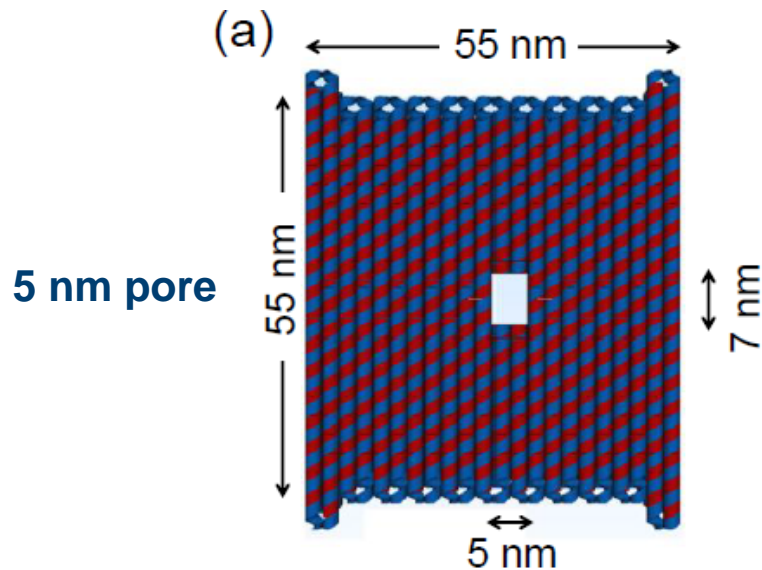
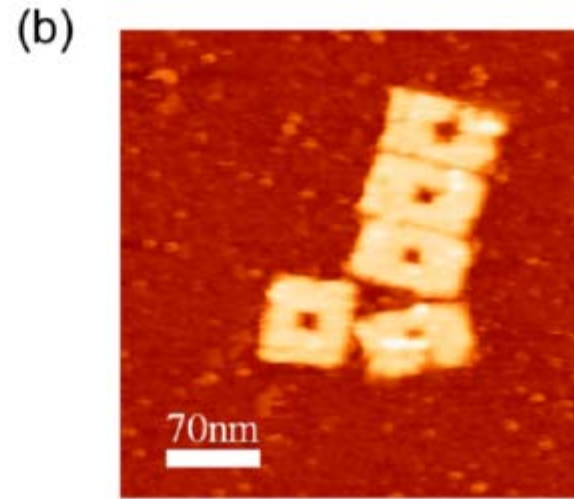
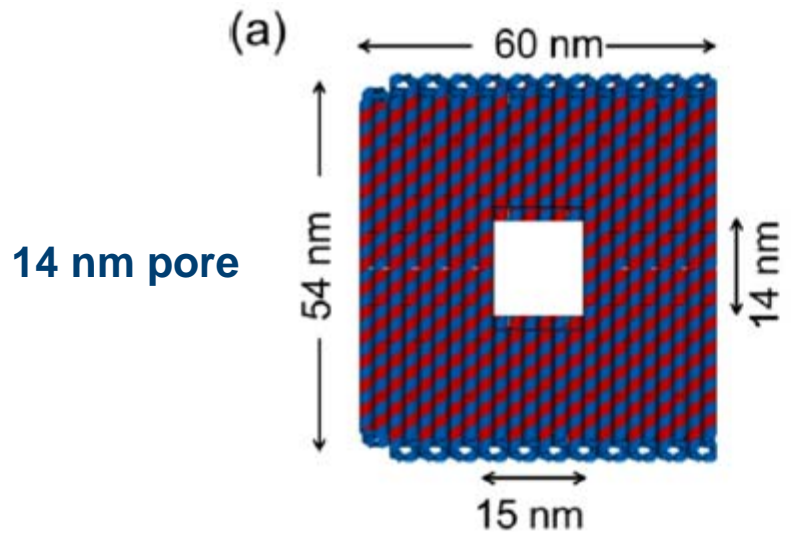
- Prove DNA origami formation with fluorescence microscopy and simultaneous current measurements [link](#)

Simultaneous current and fluorescence measurements



- Step-wise bleaching provides strong indication for single DNA origami

Physical control of translocation with DNA origami nanopores

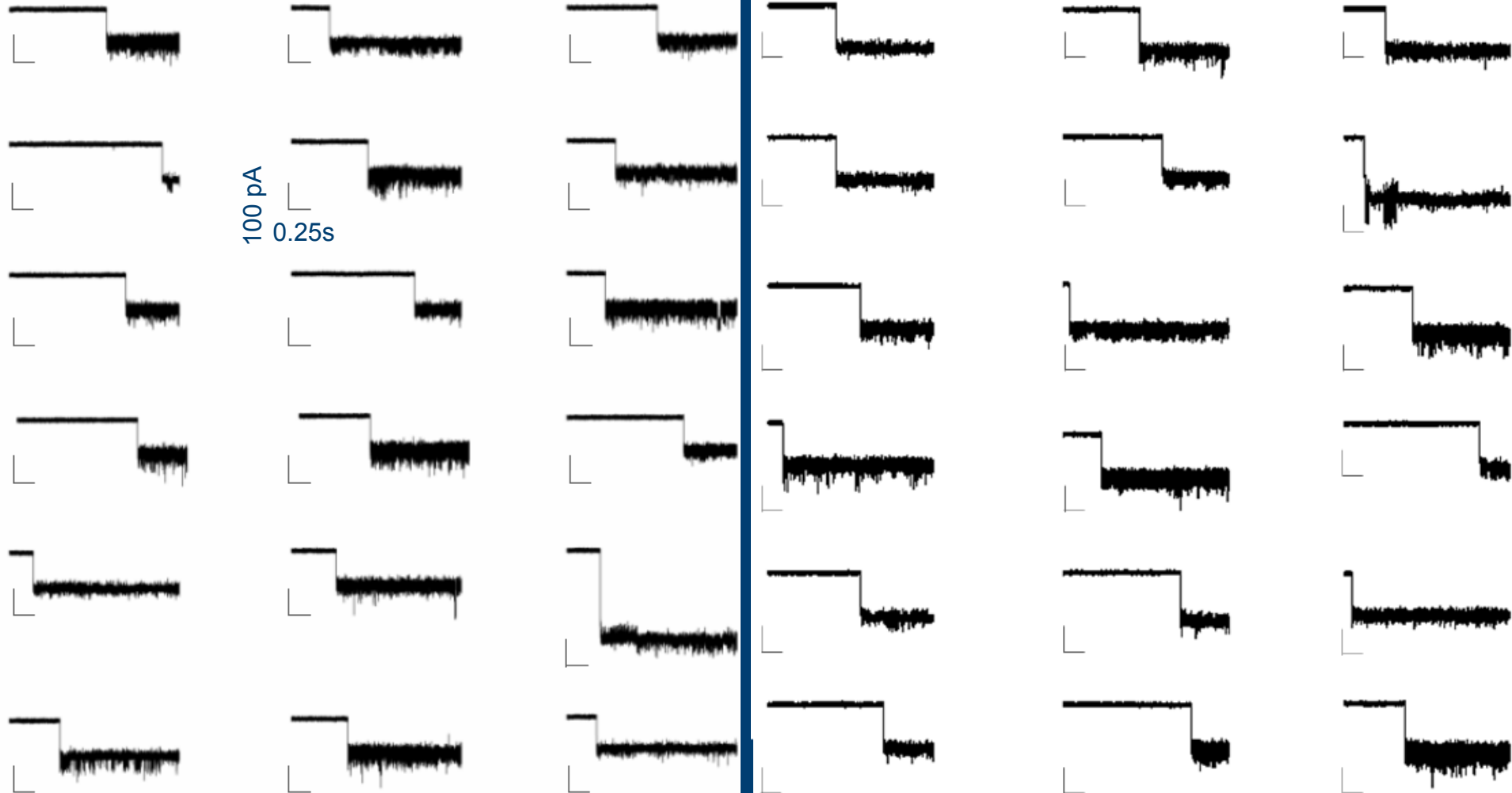


Typical traces for 14nm and 5nm designs

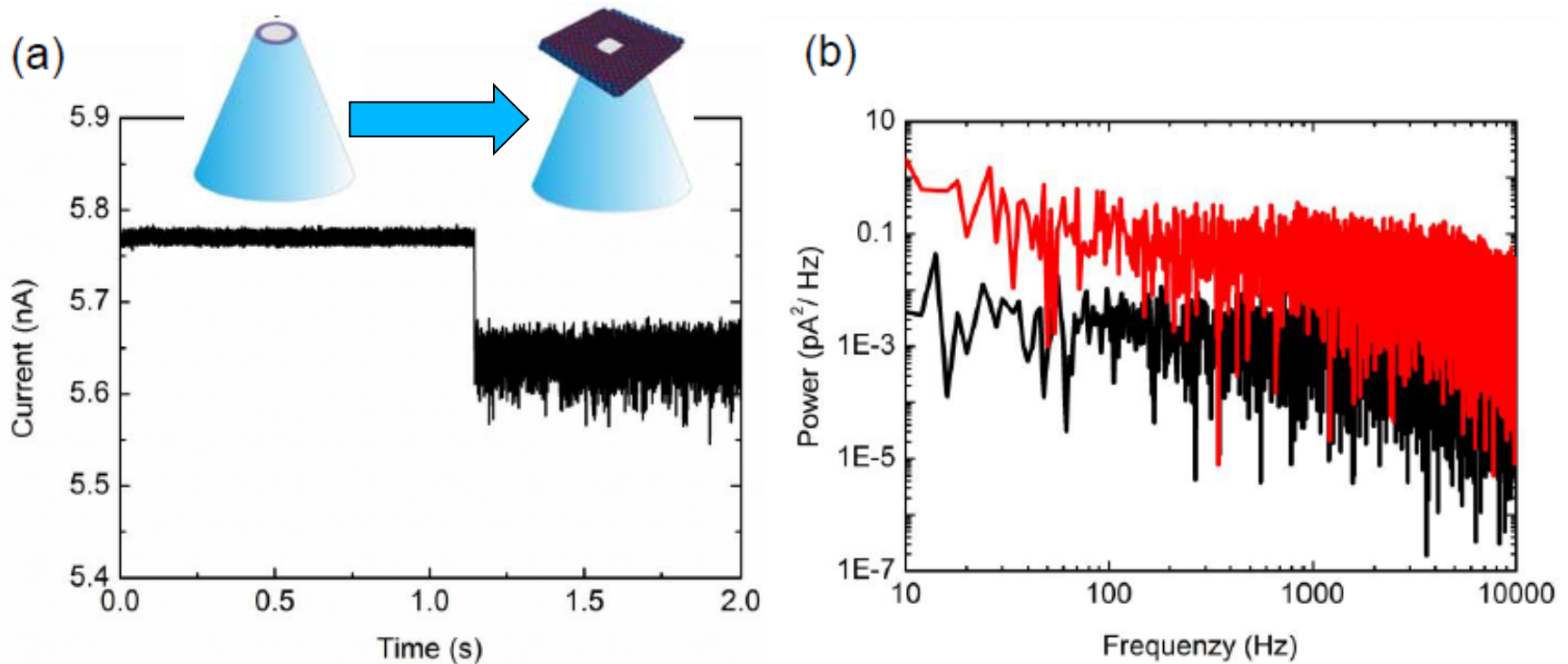
14 nm pore

5 nm pore

100 pA
0.25s

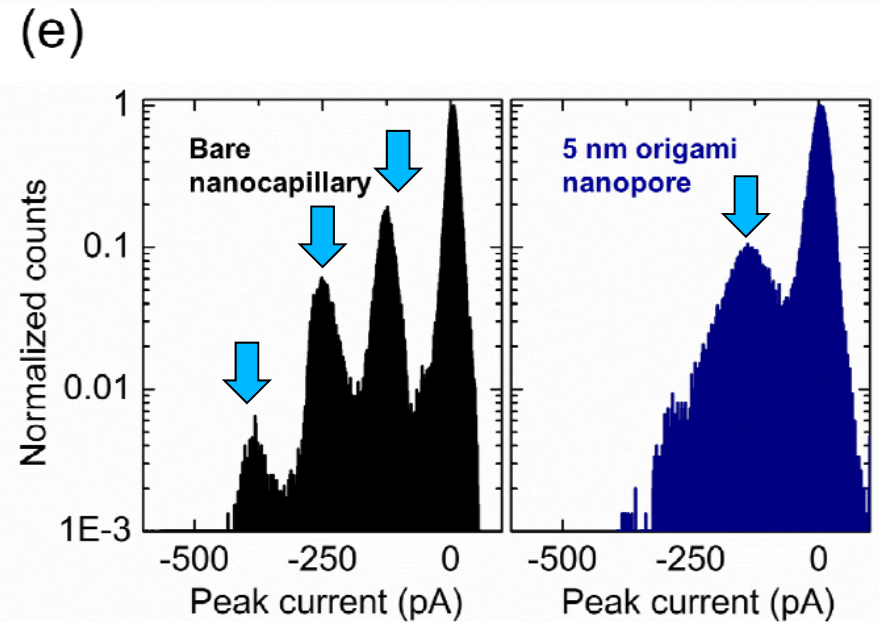
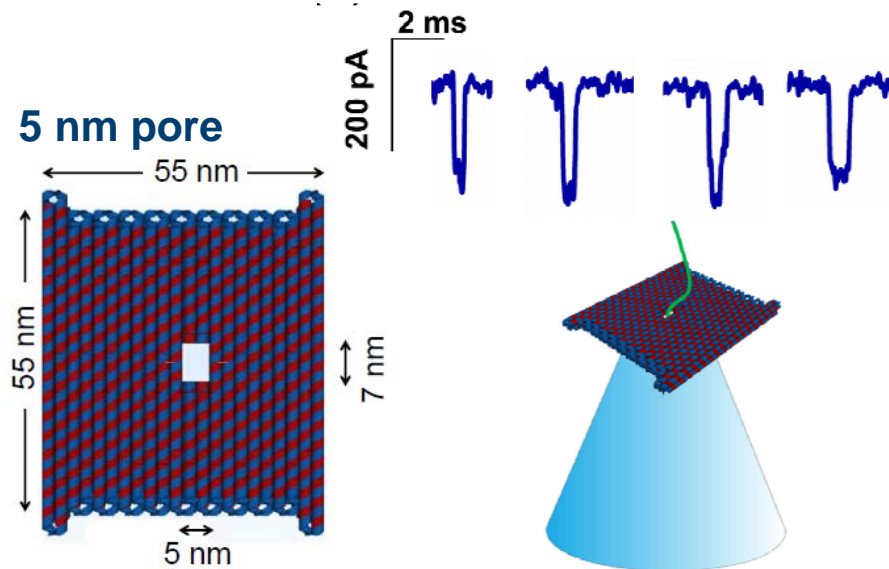
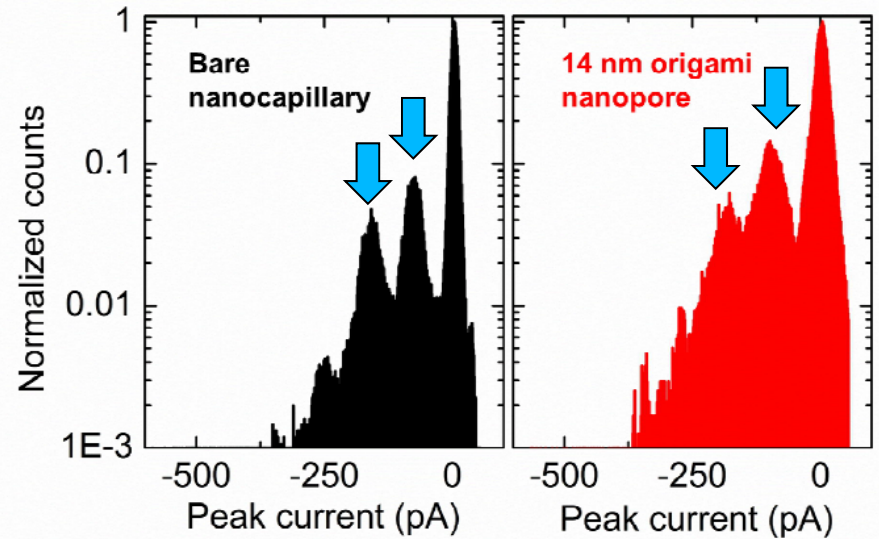
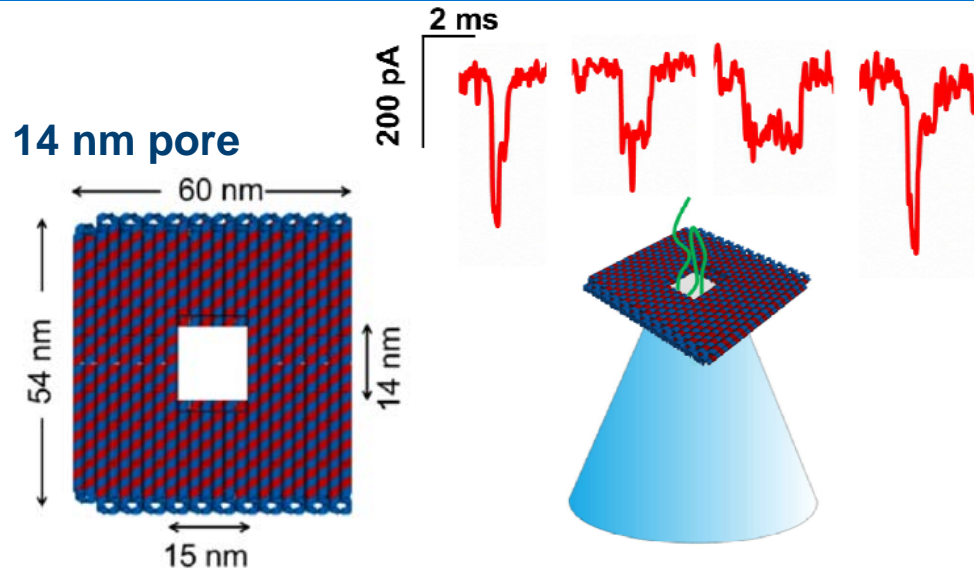


Noise analysis – what do the variations mean?



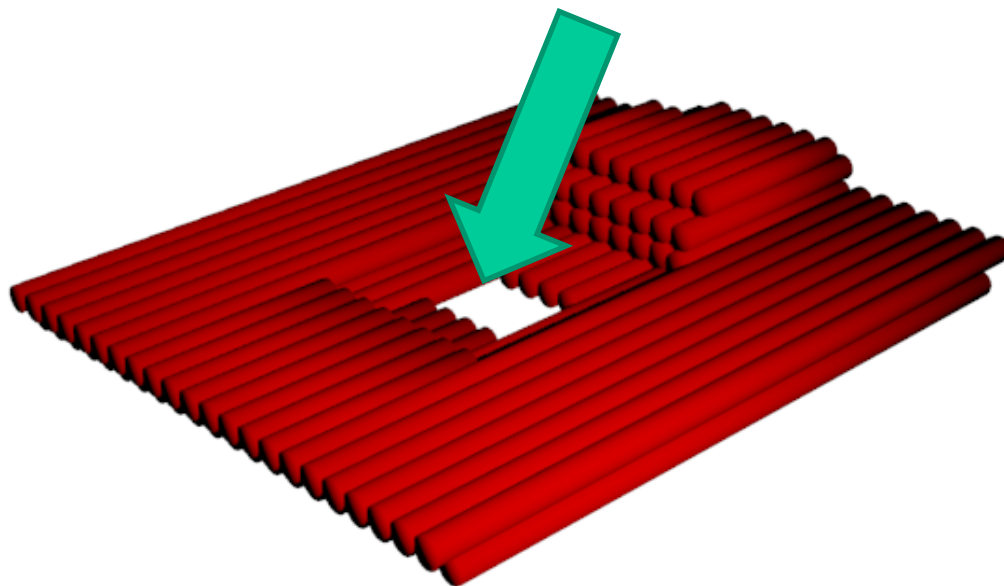
- What do the variations in the fluctuations tell us about :
 - (i) position on the solid-state nanopore ?
 - (ii) integrity of the DNA origami structure?

Physical control of translocation with DNA origami nanopores

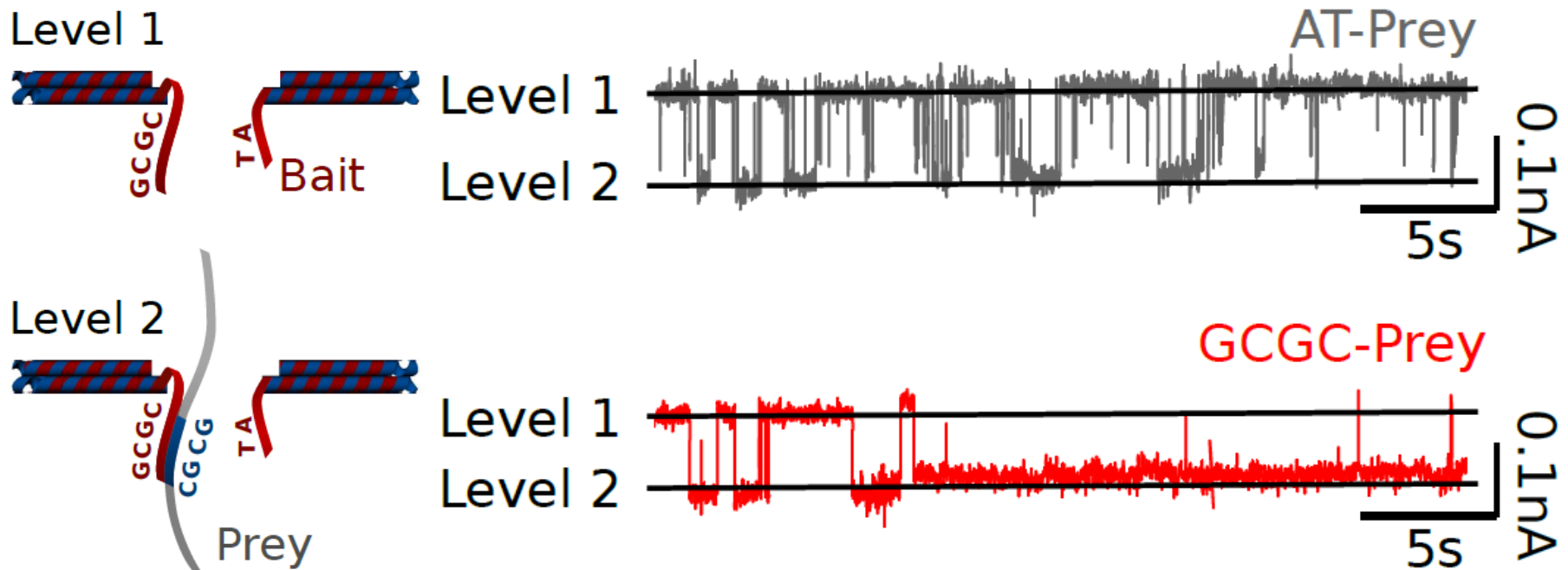


Chemical control of DNA translocation

Add binding site for protein or other molecules
Add binding sites for short DNA molecules

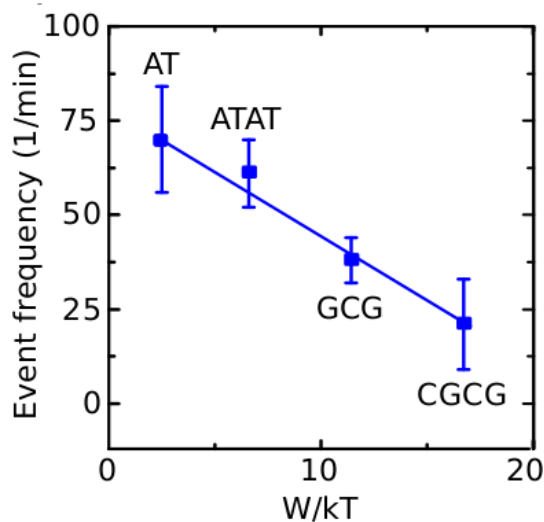
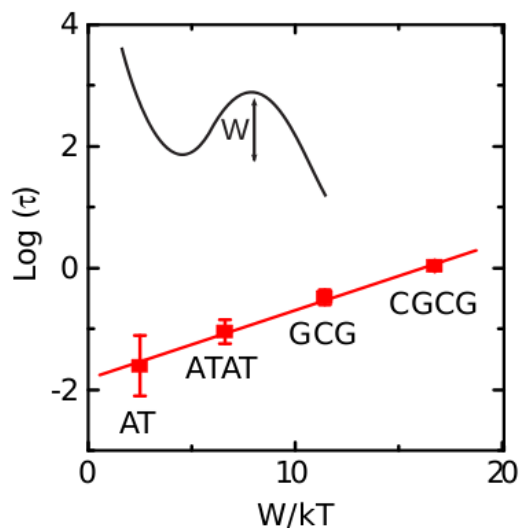
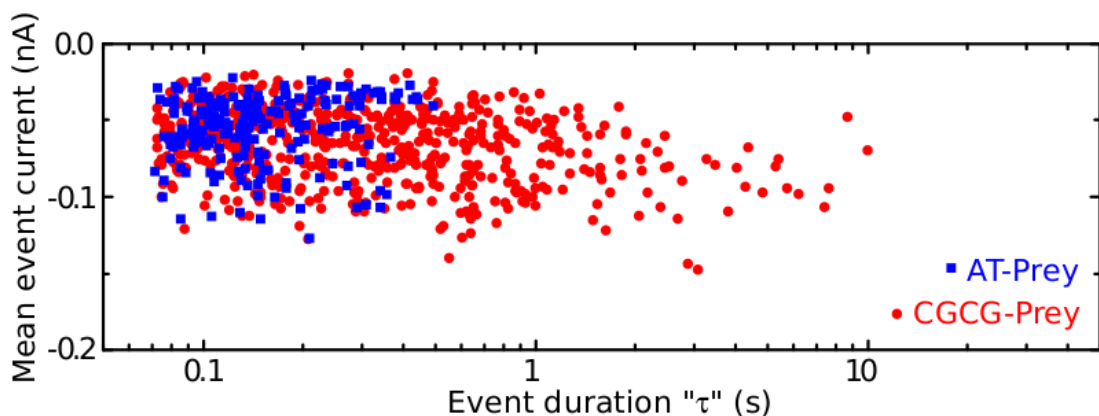


Chemical control of translocation with DNA origami nanopores (specific binding)



- Introduce weak binding site to briefly immobilize molecule in DNA origami nanopore allows to detect 50 bases long single stranded DNA
- Detection possible \Leftrightarrow *same strategy for protein sensing possible* (?)

Detection of 50 base long DNA molecules

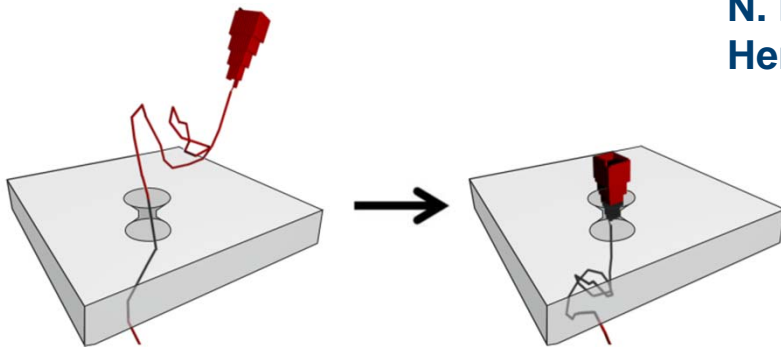


- Two binding sites bind molecules with different affinity
- Characterization of molecules possible
- Life time can be described by simple Kramer's rate

$$\log \frac{1}{\tau} = -\frac{W}{kT} + \log \frac{\omega_a}{2\pi}$$
- Binding sites allow for detection of short DNA molecules

Conclusion

- New hybrid pores: DNA origami nanopores
 - **Designer nanopores:**
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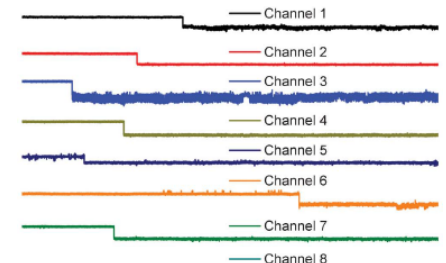
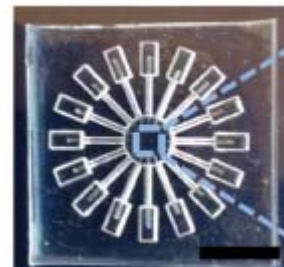
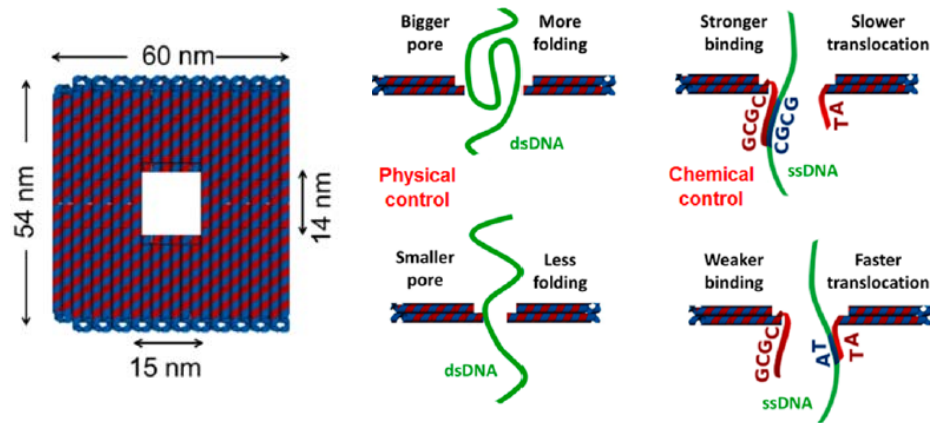


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