DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING AND CENTER FOR BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH (CBR) Nanophotonics and Optical Sensing

Functional photonic, plasmonic, metamaterial and metasurface devices

Design photonic, plasmonic and metamaterial devices to demonstrate optical functionality such as waveguides, wave plates, cavities, color printing, beam shaping and etc.

Novel optical nano-biosensing with high sensitivity and selectivity

• Develop optical nano-biosensing devices which can detect ultrasmall amount of molecules, and tell them apart from each other through infrared vibrational fingerprints and chirality.

Light-matter interaction between optical nanostructures and quantum emitters

• Study the spontaneous emission rate of quantum dots on engineered optical metamaterials, and explore the light-matter interaction mechanism for information processing.

Thermal energy harvesting and management

• Improve the performance of light absorbers and thermal emitters for thermal photovoltaic applications.

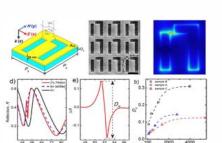
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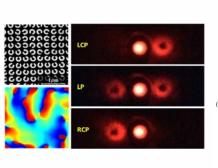
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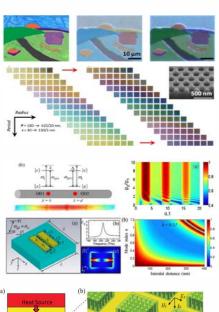
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- 2017 NSF CAREER Award
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- Potential Collaboration Fields
 - Biosensors, Chemical sensors, Microfluidic devices, Proteins, Spectroscopic study of molecules or biological samples



