

## Supplementary material

$$\theta(t) = \frac{\lambda_c}{L} \sqrt{\frac{J\beta_0}{n_0} t} \quad (1)$$

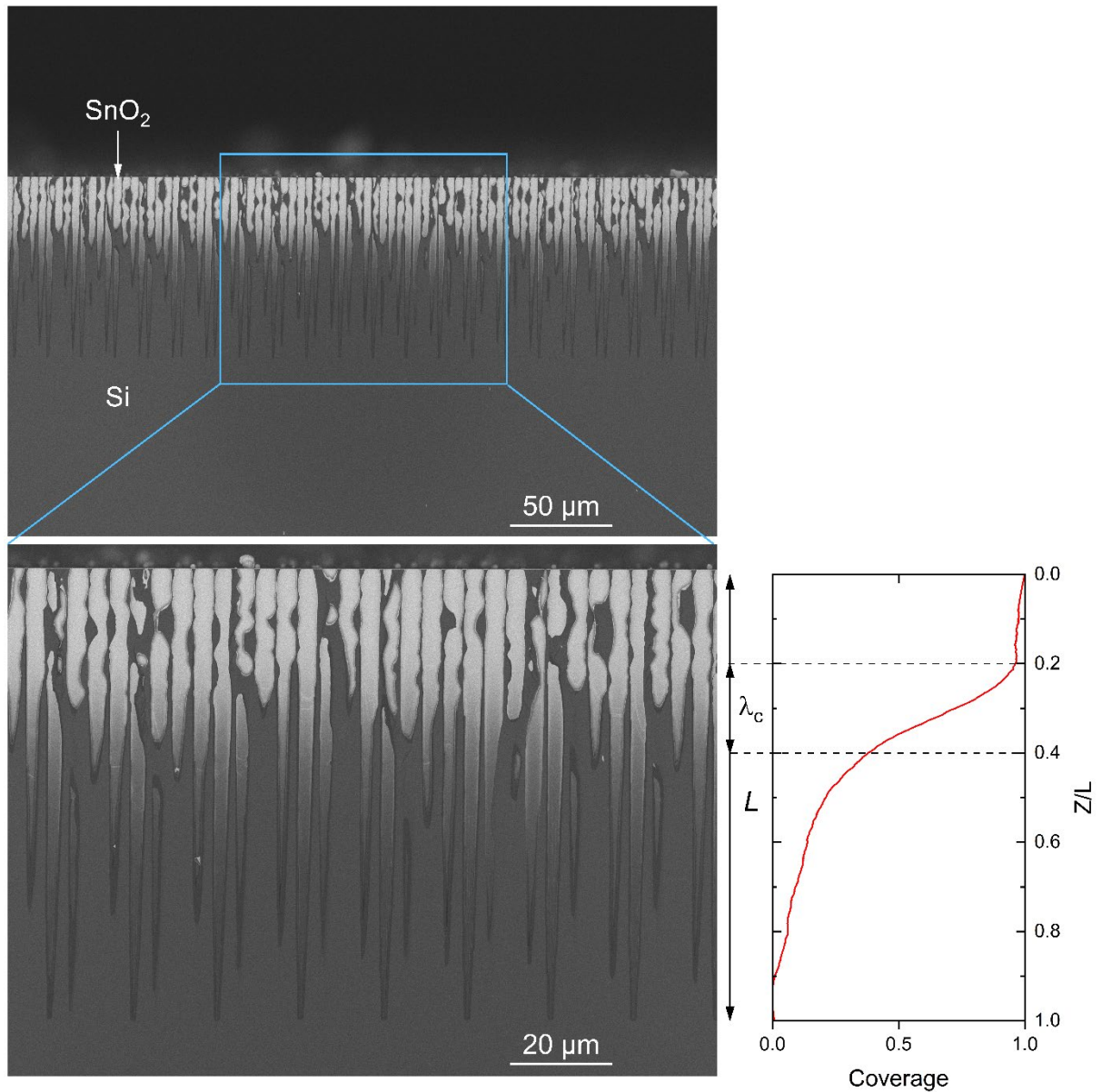
With  $\theta$  - the surface coverage,  $\lambda_c$  - the reaction front width,  $L$  - total length of the pores,  $n_0$  - the substrate surface sites density,  $J$  - the flux of molecules to surface,  $\beta_0$  - the sticking coefficient and  $t$  - the time.

$$\lambda_c = \frac{4}{\bar{s}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3\beta_0}} \quad (2)$$

Where  $\bar{s}$  is the surface area to void volume ratio.

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*Figure 1 Cross-section topography of porous Si substrate coated with SnO<sub>2</sub> by ALD. The pores opening and the holes depth are about 2 and 100 μm, respectively, providing an aspect ratio of 50. Pictures were acquired by scanning electron microscope (SEM) employing in-beam back scattered electron sensor.*