



## Nanophotonics Enabled by Femtosecond Lasers

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During the last decade, ultrashort-pulse lasers have emerged as versatile, precise and high-throughput toolkits for the surface and bulk nanopatterning of functional materials, uniquely harnessing diverse non-linear optical and non-thermal—electronic, plasmonic, coherent-phonon and shockwave—processes in the nanofabrication. Advanced plasmonic nanosensors, photocatalysts and other light-conversion nanodevices, micro-optical all-dielectric devices and nano/microlasers have been demonstrated via high-throughput laser ablative nanopatterning and nanoprinting. Basic optical and solid-state physics, underlying these outstanding nanotechnological applications of ultrashort-pulse lasers, in many cases, is not well understood yet, thus hindering emerging and state-of-the-art implications of these laser nanotechnologies. In this Special Issue, fundamental optical and solid-state studies, anticipating and predicting nanoscale engineering in plasmonic and dielectric materials by ultrashort laser pulses, and corresponding applications will be in focus to provide a synergistic comprehensive overview of encouraging basics and remarkable state-of-the-art implications.





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