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3D printing of unsupported multi-scale and large-span ceramic via near-infrared assisted direct ink writing

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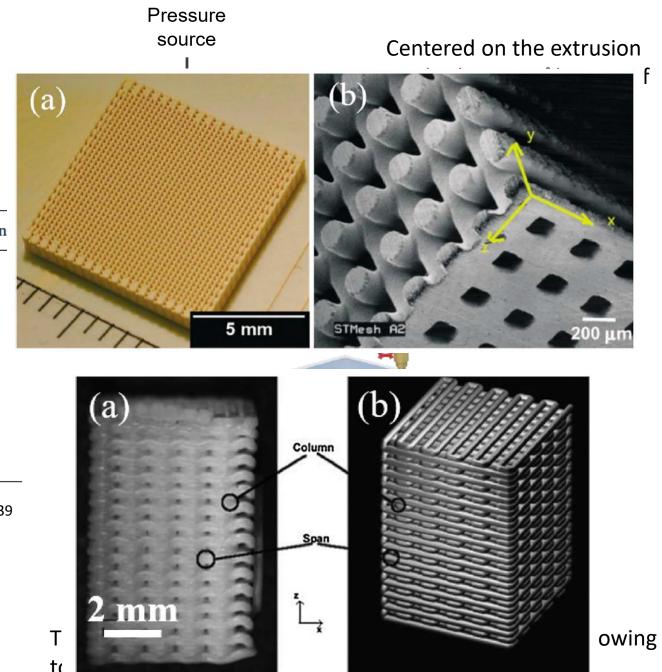


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Table 1 Ceramic 3D printing technologies.

Feedstock form	Ceramic 3D printing technology type	Abbreviation
Slurry-based	Stereolithography	SL
	Digital light processing	DLP
	Two-photon polymerisation	TPP
	Inkjet printing	IJP
	Direct ink writing	DIW
Powder-based	Three-dimensional printing	3DP
	Selective laser sintering	SLS
	Selective laser melting	SLM
Bulk solid-based	Laminated object manufacturing	LOM
	Fused deposition modelling	FDM

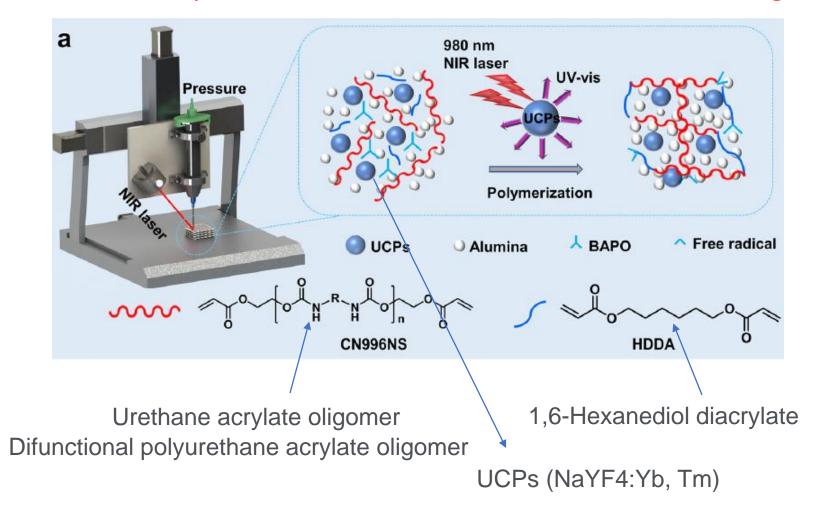
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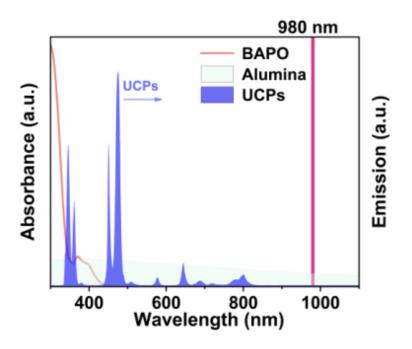




Direct Ink Writing (DIW) NIR-assisted

Schematic representation of NIR-assisted direct ink writing

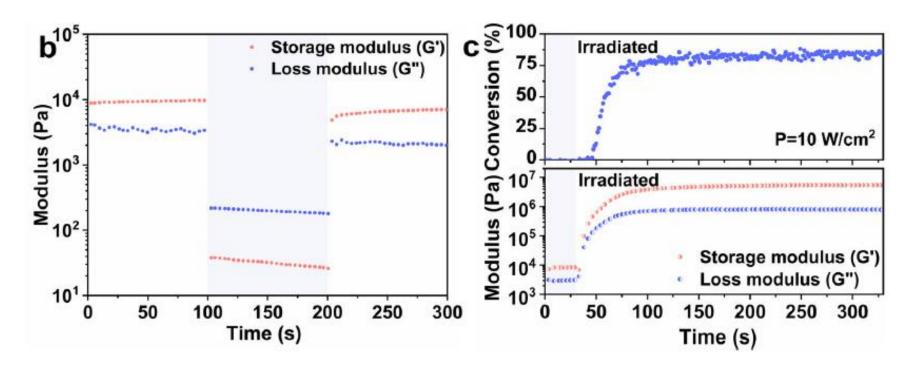




This printing technology enables in situ curing of multi-scale filaments with diameters ranging from 410 μm to 3.50mm

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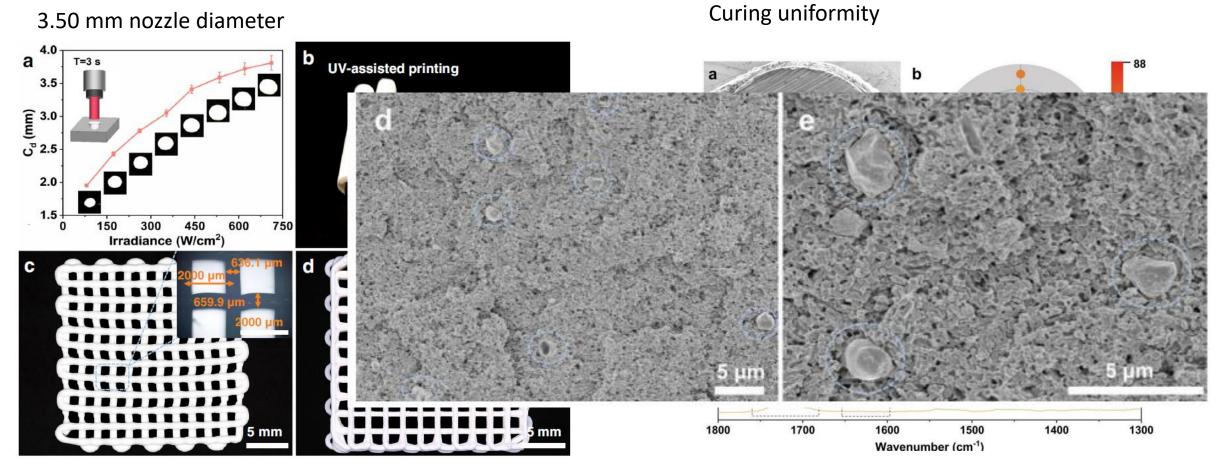
Thixotropic test and Photopolymerization kinetics



- Storage modulus → storage energy → elastic portion
- Loss modulus → energy dissipated as a heat → viscous portion
- Viscosity transition G"> G" to elastic transition G'>G"



Characterization of penetration depths



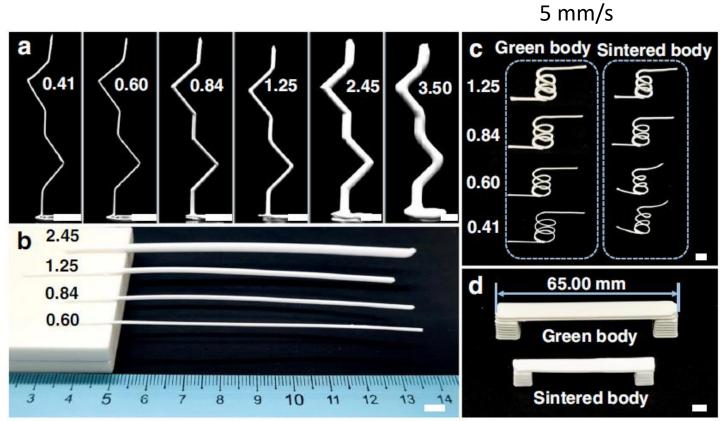
[b] To determine the effect of curing with NIR and UV on real-time. 2.45 mm nozzle (1 mm/s)

[c-d] 0.6 mm nozzle (5 mm/s)

Doble bond conversion in different regions [From Supplementary information]

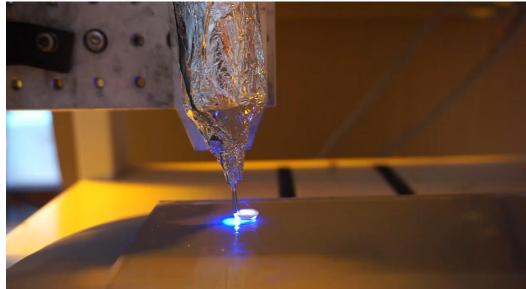


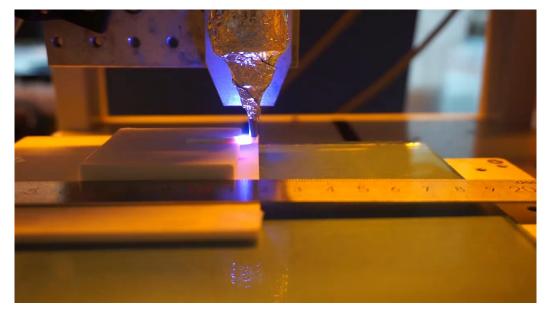
3D printing without support





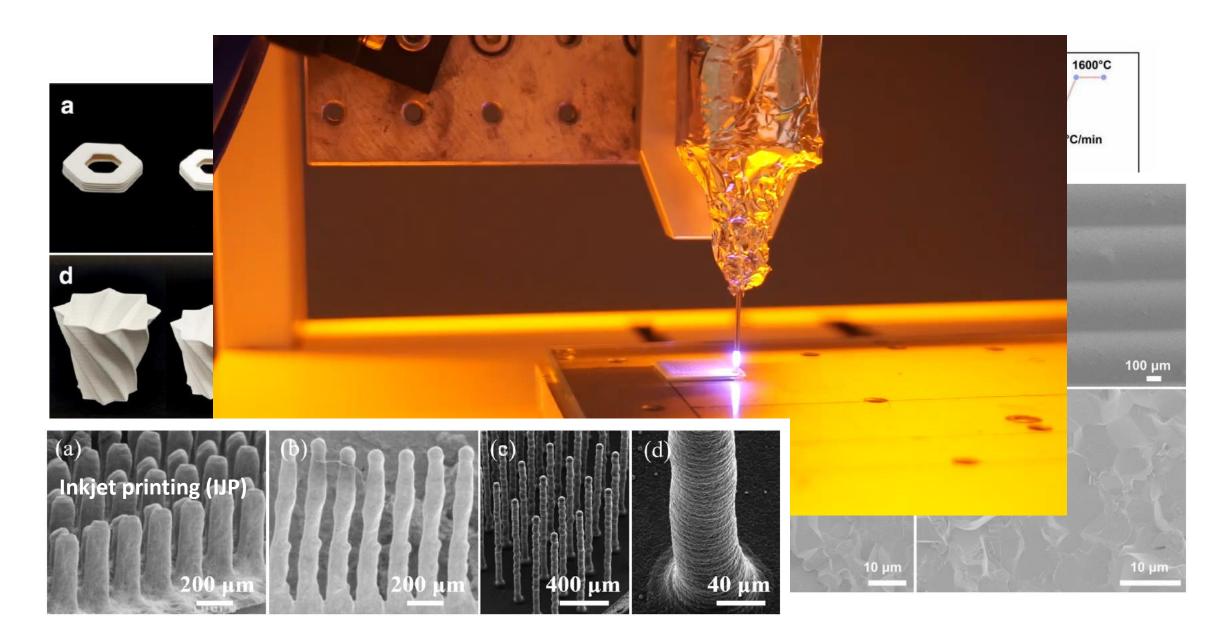
To ensure structure stability different light intensity was adjusted.





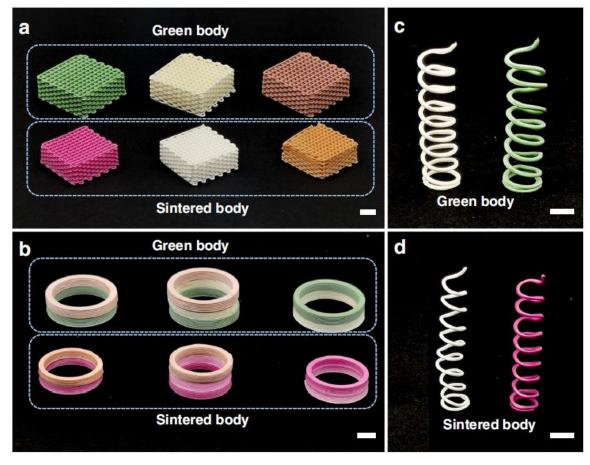


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Multi – material printing

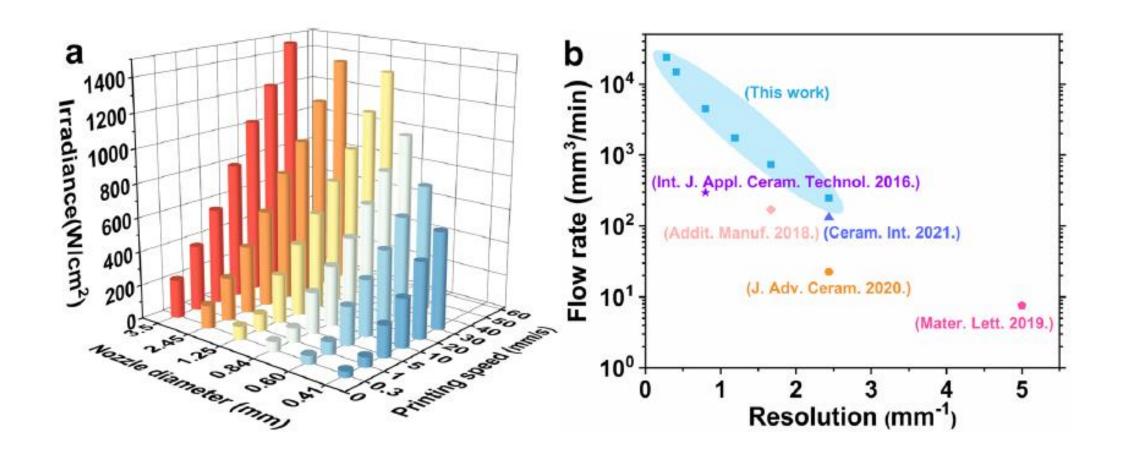


It is possible to 3D print different materials once without assembly.

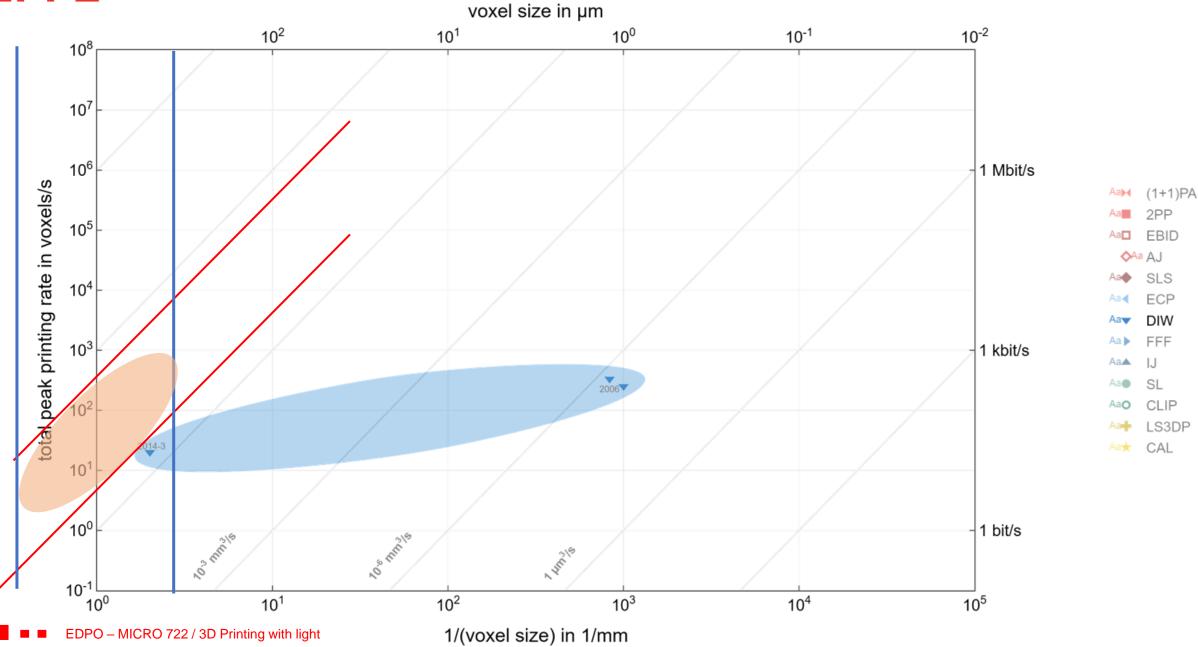
In order to ensure a better co-sintering process for multi-material components, the sintering temperature of the different materials is matched by sintering additives, adjusting the heat treatment profile and the solid content.



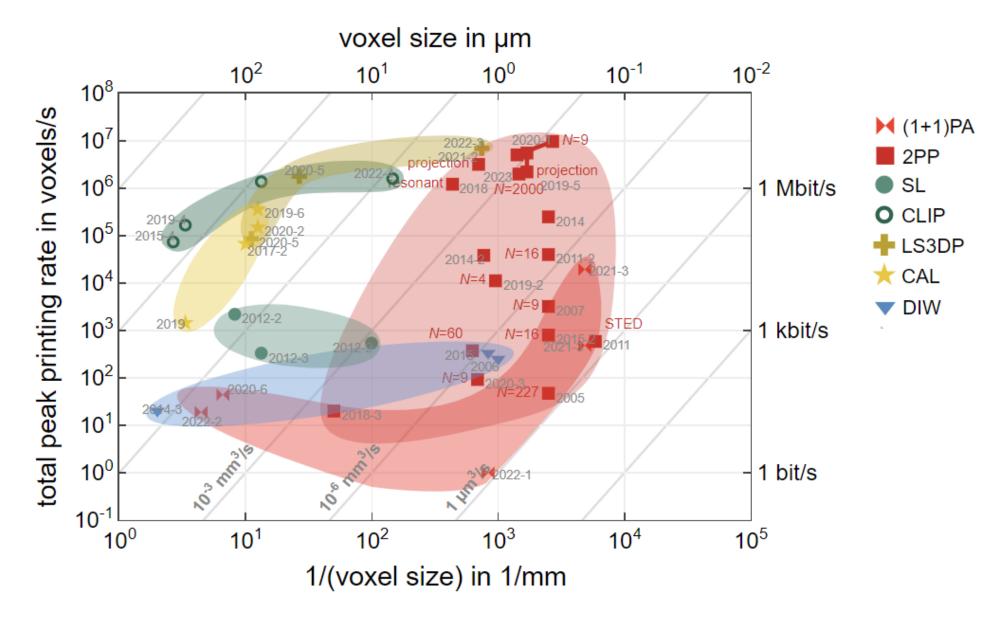
Throughput of NIR-DIW.



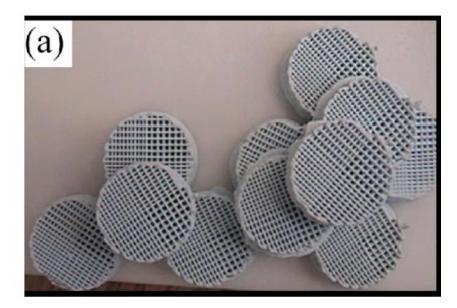


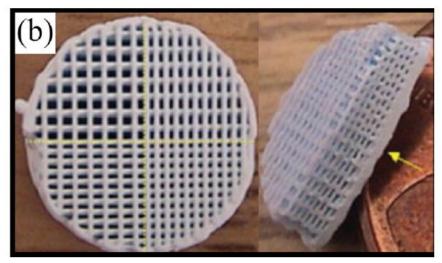


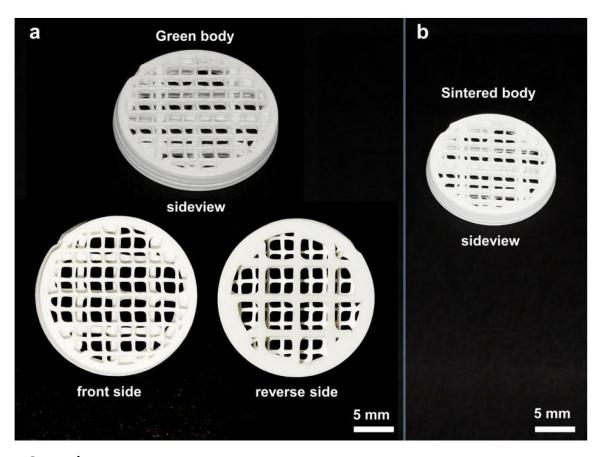








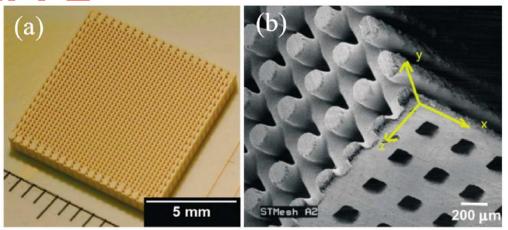


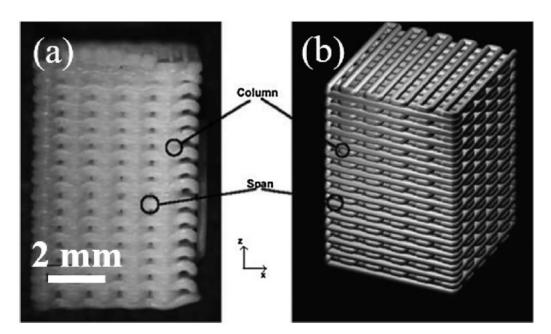


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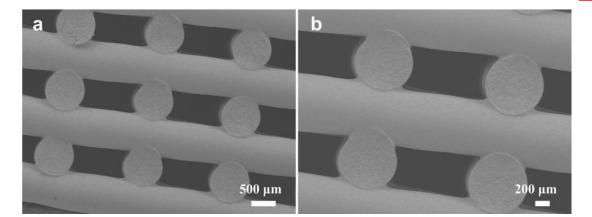


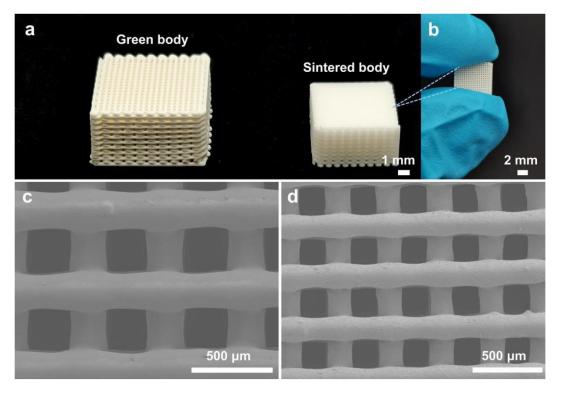




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