Record Nr. UNINA9910741186803321 Autore Guldin Stefan Titolo Inorganic nanoarchitectures by organic self-assembly / / Stefan Guldin Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, : Springer, 2013 **ISBN** 3-319-00312-7 Edizione [1st ed. 2013.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (176 p.) Collana Spring theses Disciplina 621.36 Nanoscience Soggetti **Nanoparticles** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto From the Contents: Self-Assembly of Soft Matter -- Optical aspects of thin films and interfaces -- Structure-function interplay in dyesensitised solar cells -- Experimental and analytical techniques --Block copolymer-induced structure control for inorganic nanomaterials Crystal growth in block copolymer-derived mesoporous TiO\_2. Macromolecular self-assembly - driven by weak, non-covalent, Sommario/riassunto intermolecular forces - is a common principle of structure formation in natural and synthetic organic materials. The variability in material arrangement on the nanometre length scale makes this an ideal way of matching the structure-function demands of photonic and optoelectronic devices. However, suitable soft matter systems typically lack the appropriate photoactivity, conductivity or chemically stability. This thesis explores the implementation of soft matter design principles for inorganic thin film nanoarchitectures. Sacrificial block copolymers and colloids are employed as structure-directing agents for the co-assembly of solution-based inorganic materials, such as TiO\_2 and SiO\_2. Novel fabrication and characterization methods allow unprecedented control of material formation on the 10 – 500 nm length scale, allowing the design of material architectures with interesting

photonic and optoelectronic properties.