## Responses to comments from submission on metals-2665682 Reviewer 2 Round 1

Comment 1. abstract need to be improved.

**Response:** The abstract has been updated to better detail the scope and results of the paper, noted in Footnote 1

Comment 2. there is no conclusion.

**Response:** The previous discussion section was more appropriately renamed the Conclusions, Section 5 and also noted in Footnote 14 and a new discussion section was added, Section 4, this is also noted in Footnote 11. The new conclusions section was also updated to more directly highlight the results, Footnote 15

Comment 3. Have the authors tried other algorithms?

**Response:** The authors have not tried any other algorithms for the reasons detailed in the discussion section, noted with Footnote 12

Comment 4. The laser - processed sample region is not half-spherical. So the "depth" is not accurate and cannot be used.

Response: www.

Comment 5. the citation to previous works are not full.

**Response:** The introduction section has been updated to more fully present this work in the current state of the art and the result is a more fully referenced work.