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Practical Nanotechnology today- concepts to applications:

an introduction to a 21st Century Technology

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Knowledge Development

Rapid changes in the world in Technology and Society*:

1750 and 1900: technical knowledge doubled

1900 and 1950: technical knowledge doubled

Today: Doubles every 5 years

> 2020: Will double every 72 Days

* Staudt, E., Key note address, 20th ICDE World Conference Dusseldorf, Germany, Plenary Session, 2 April 2001.



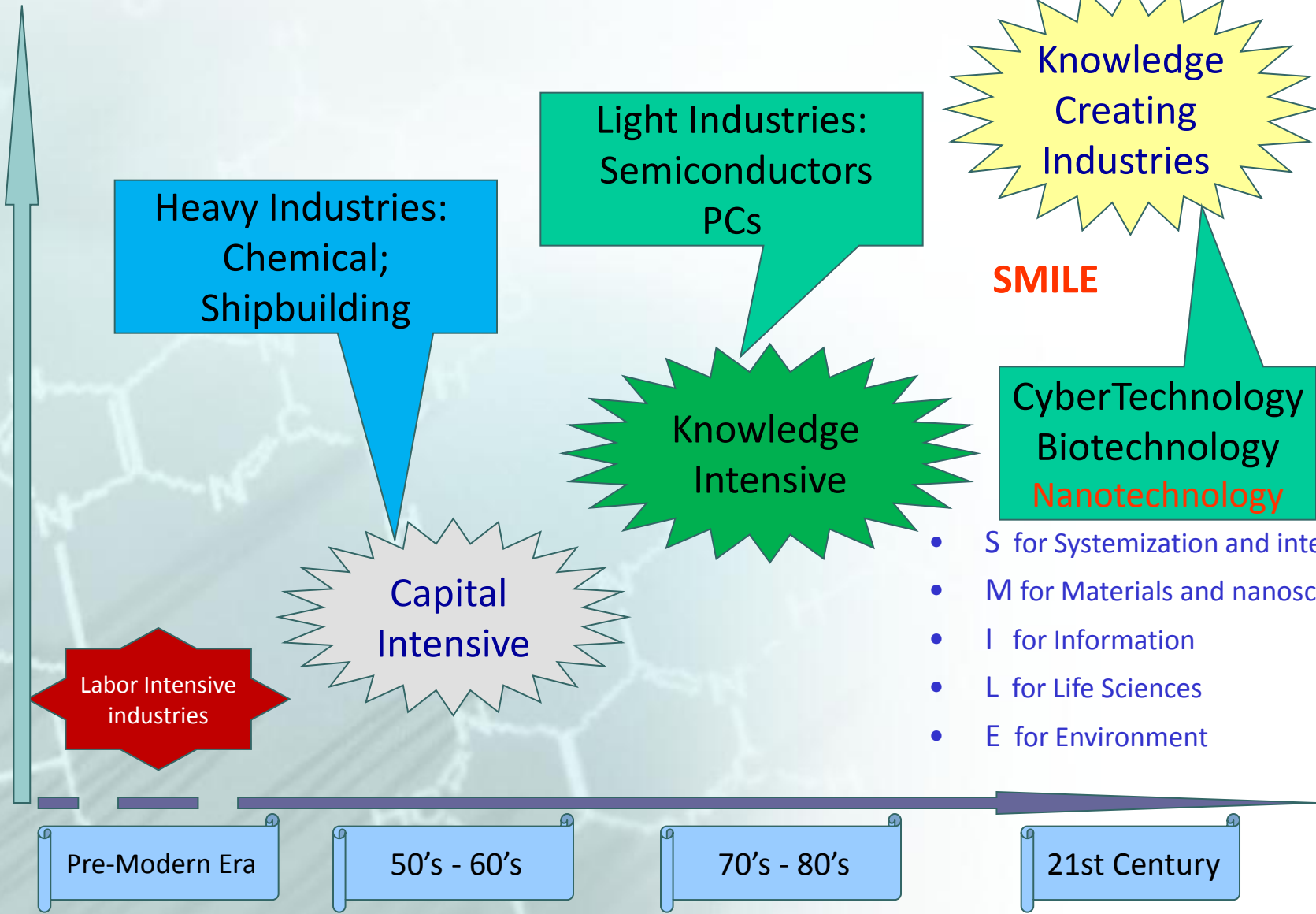
Past

- Stay with what works
- Slow dissemination of ideas
- Minimal media interest
- Few journals in central libraries
- **Product controlled practice**

Future

- “Innovate or die”
- Globalisation
- Instant adaptation of new techniques
- High media coverage
- Internet access to all
- **Customer controlled practice**

Driving Forces for Economic Growth



- S for Systemization and integration
- M for Materials and nanosciences
- I for Information
- L for Life Sciences
- E for Environment

Once upon a time... Big was good!



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Great Wall stretches approximately 6,700 kilometers from east to west of China.

The Pyramid was originally 146.7 m and measured 230 m along its sides, covering an area of 53,000 m²





Nano-Properties & Phenomena?

NANOPHENOMENA are the remarkable “properties and phenomena” ballyhooed by scientists and pundits.

These remarkable properties and phenomena, that you will hear no end of, are due to one thing:

SIZE

and very small size at that!

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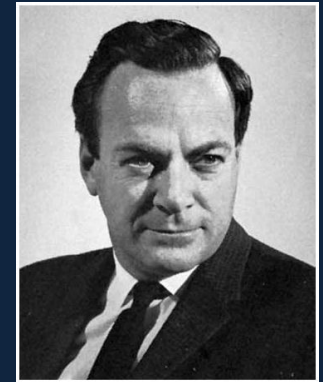
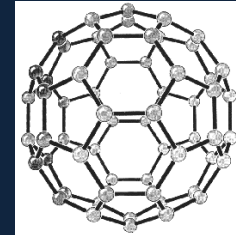
Introduction to NanoScience, (CRC Press), G. Louis Hornyak, Joydeep Dutta, Harry F. Tibbals and Anil K. Rao (2008)

Nanotechnology



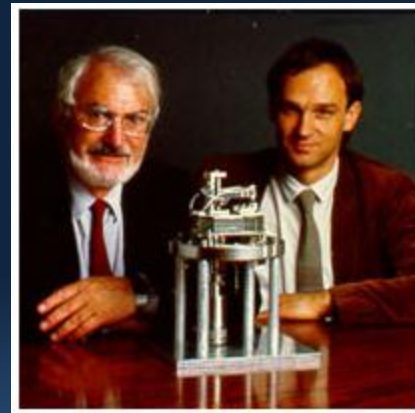
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- Dimensions below 100 nm
- Control of matter, fabrication of devices



Feynman 1959 "There's plenty of room at the bottom"
Nobel Prize 1965

Taniguchi 1974 "On the basic concept of
Nanotechnology"

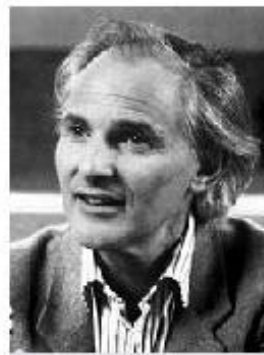
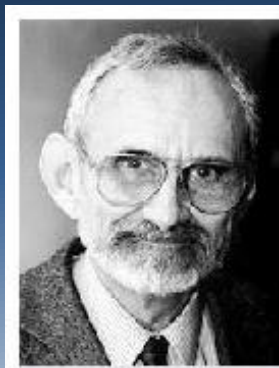


Binnig & Rohrer 1981 STM Nobel Prize 1986



Curl, Kroto & Smalley 1985 Buckyball Nobel
Prize 1996

Drexler
1986 "Engines
of Creation"

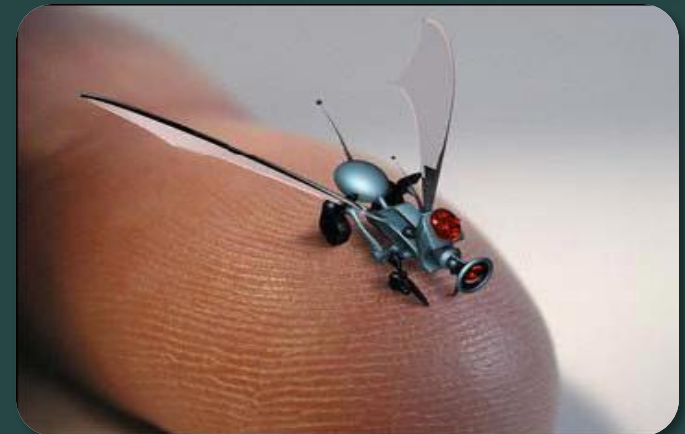
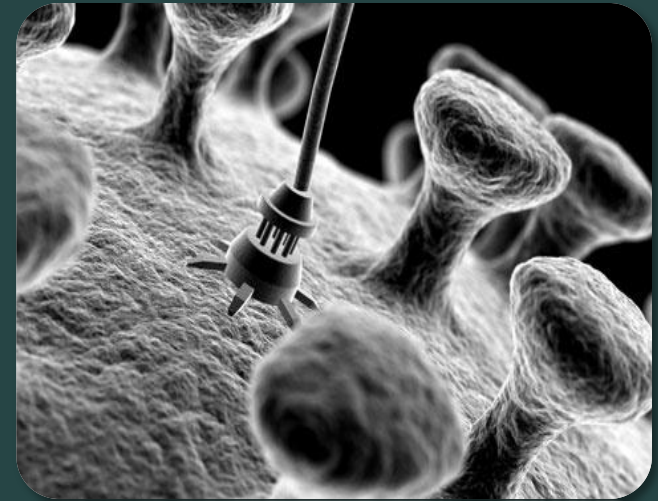




The Nano World

Vision

- ❖ To solve critical problems in the fields of *Energy, Food & water, Electronics, Healthcare* and many others.
- ❖ Fabricate innovative Nano products, devices and components for research and real-world use.
- ❖ Offer suitable alternatives to today's technology.





Nanotechnology Applications

Information Technology



- Smaller, faster, more energy efficient and powerful computing and other IT-based systems

Energy



- More efficient and cost effective technologies for energy production
 - Solar cells
 - Fuel cells
 - Batteries
 - Bio fuels

Consumer Goods

Medicine



- Cancer treatment
- Bone treatment
- Drug delivery
- Appetite control
- Drug development
- Medical tools
- Diagnostic tests
- Imaging

- Foods and beverages
 - Advanced packaging materials, sensors, and lab-on-chips for food quality testing
- Appliances and textiles
 - Stain proof, water proof and wrinkle free textiles
- Household and cosmetics
 - Self-cleaning and scratch free products, paints, and better cosmetics





Nanomaterials in Consumer Products: The Future is Now



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Nanotechnology

“ The manufacturing technology of the 21st century ”





How small is small?

10¹

10 meter

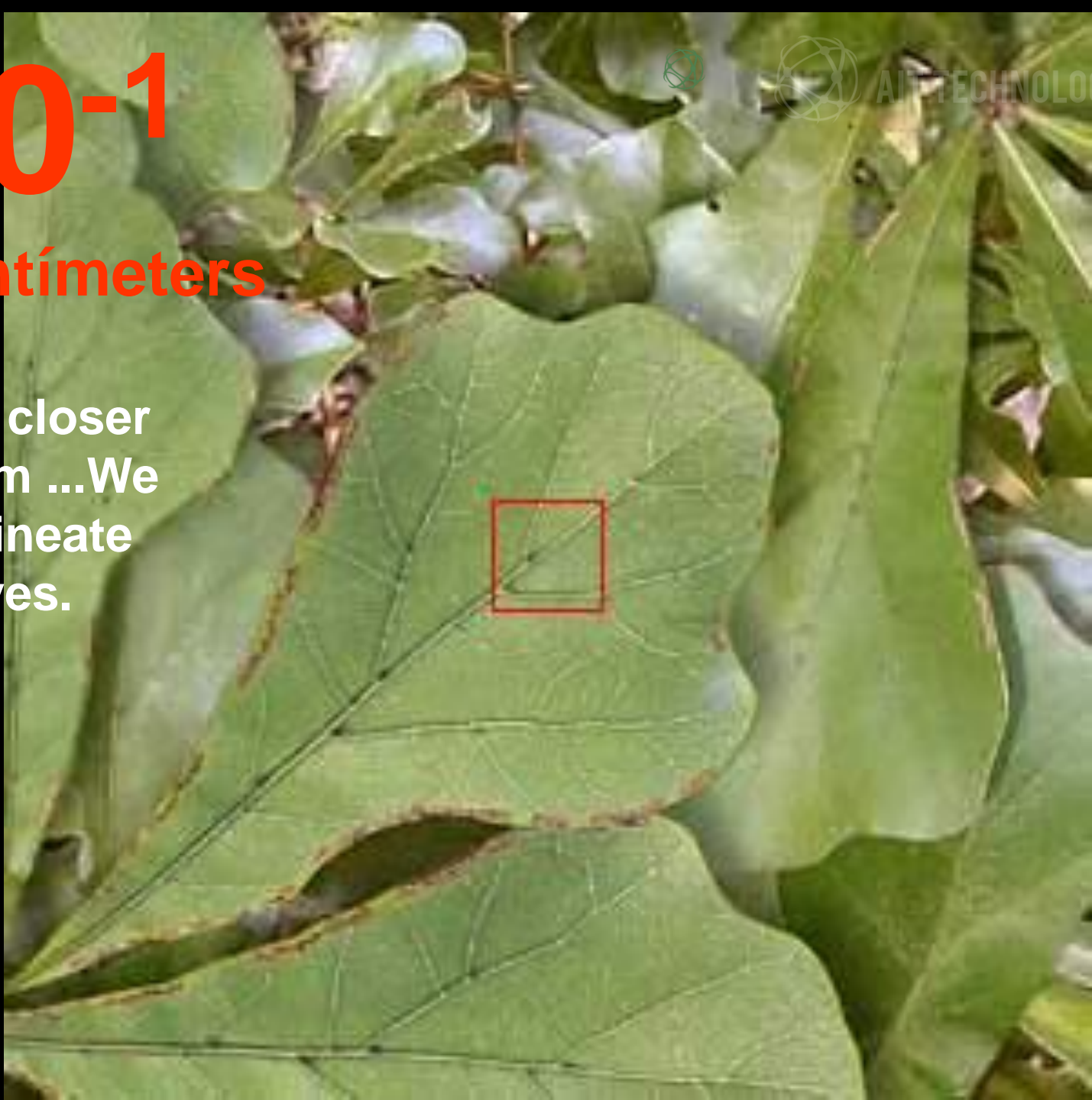


Now we are going to dig inside the leaves...

10⁻¹

10 Centimeters

Getting closer
at 10 cm ...We
can delineate
the leaves.

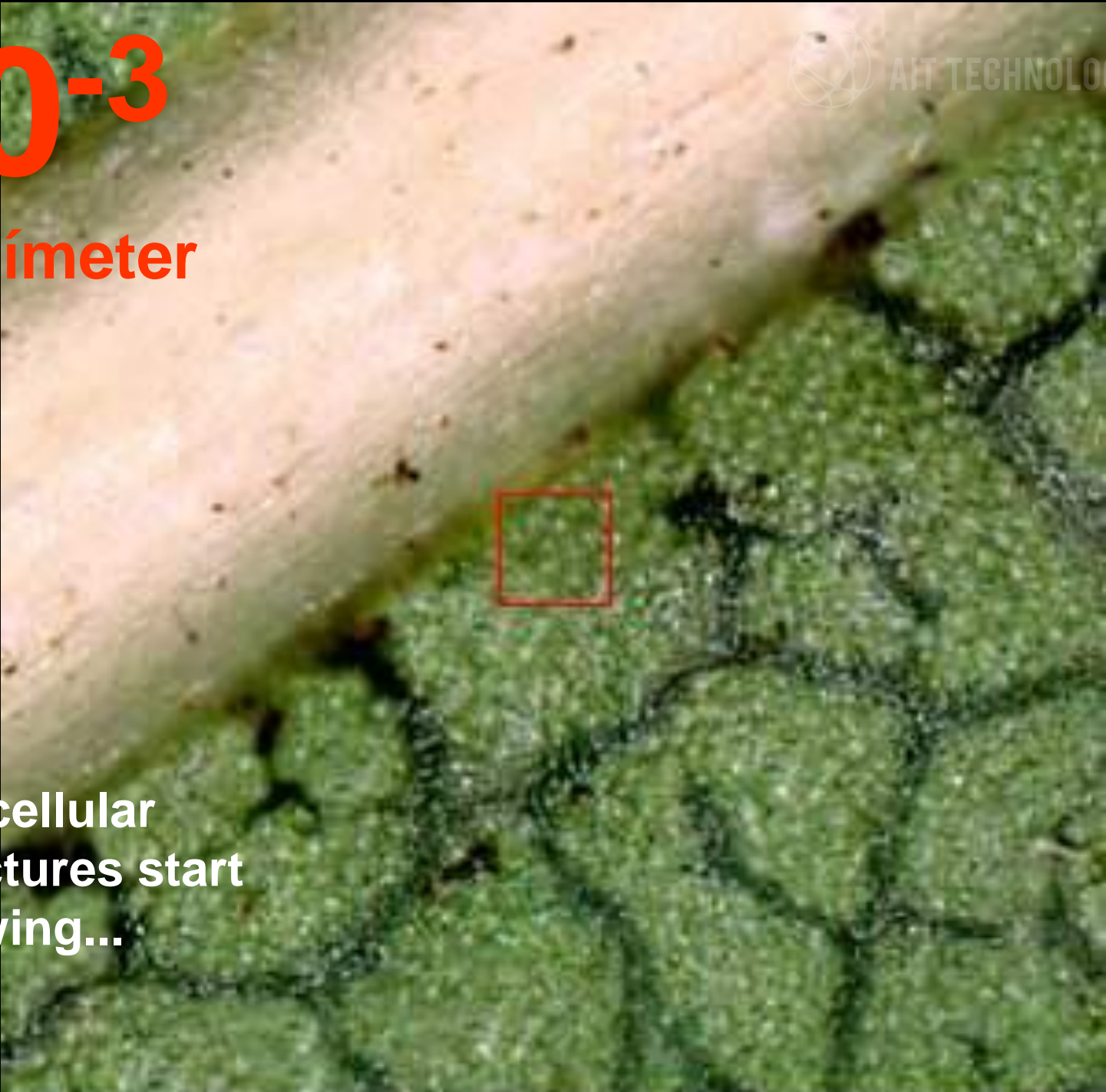


10⁻³

1 Millímeter



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**The cellular
structures start
showing...**



10⁻⁴

100 microns

The cells
can be
defined.

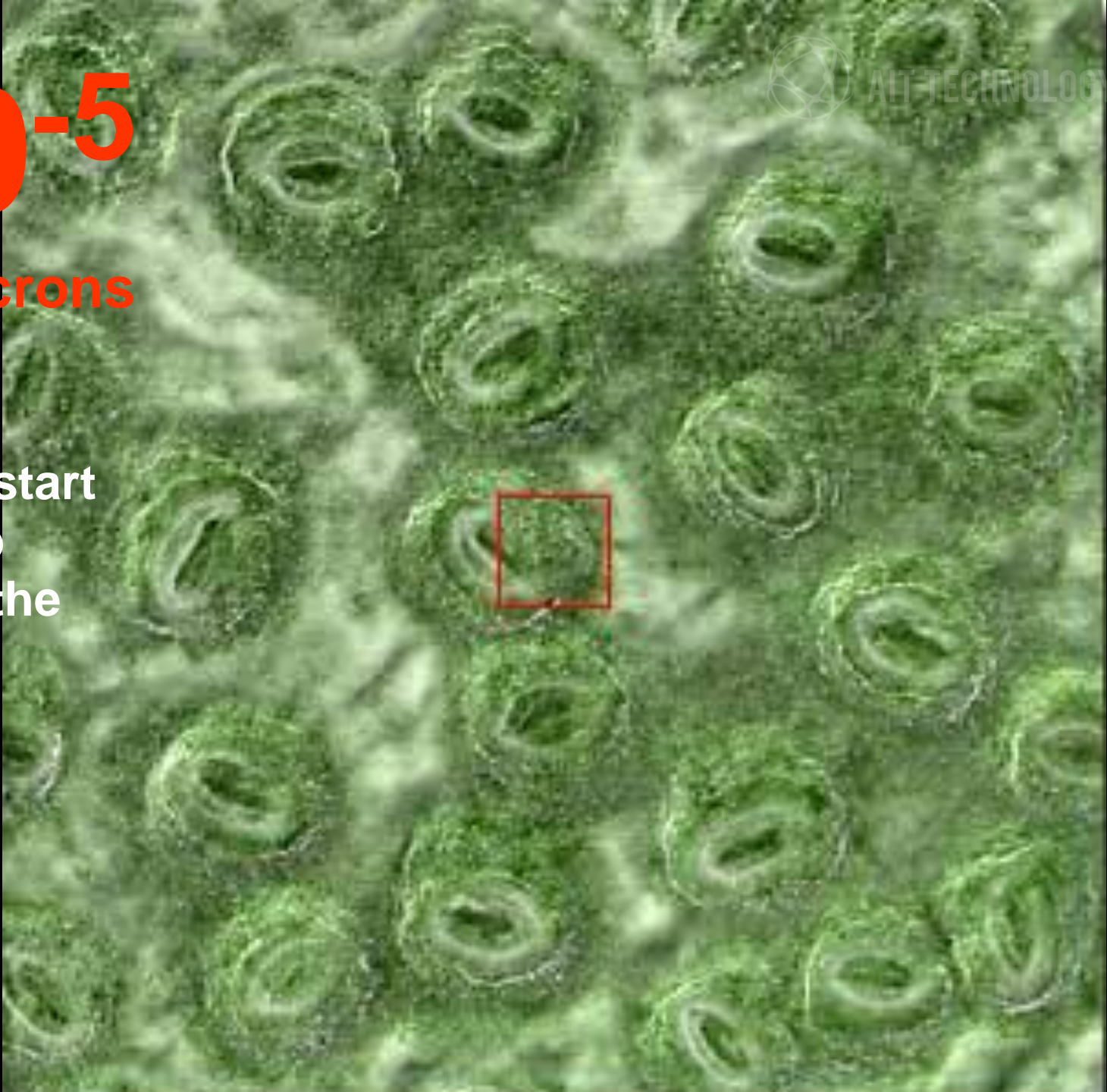
We can see
the union
between
them.



10⁻⁵

10 microns

**Let us start
our trip
inside the
cell...**

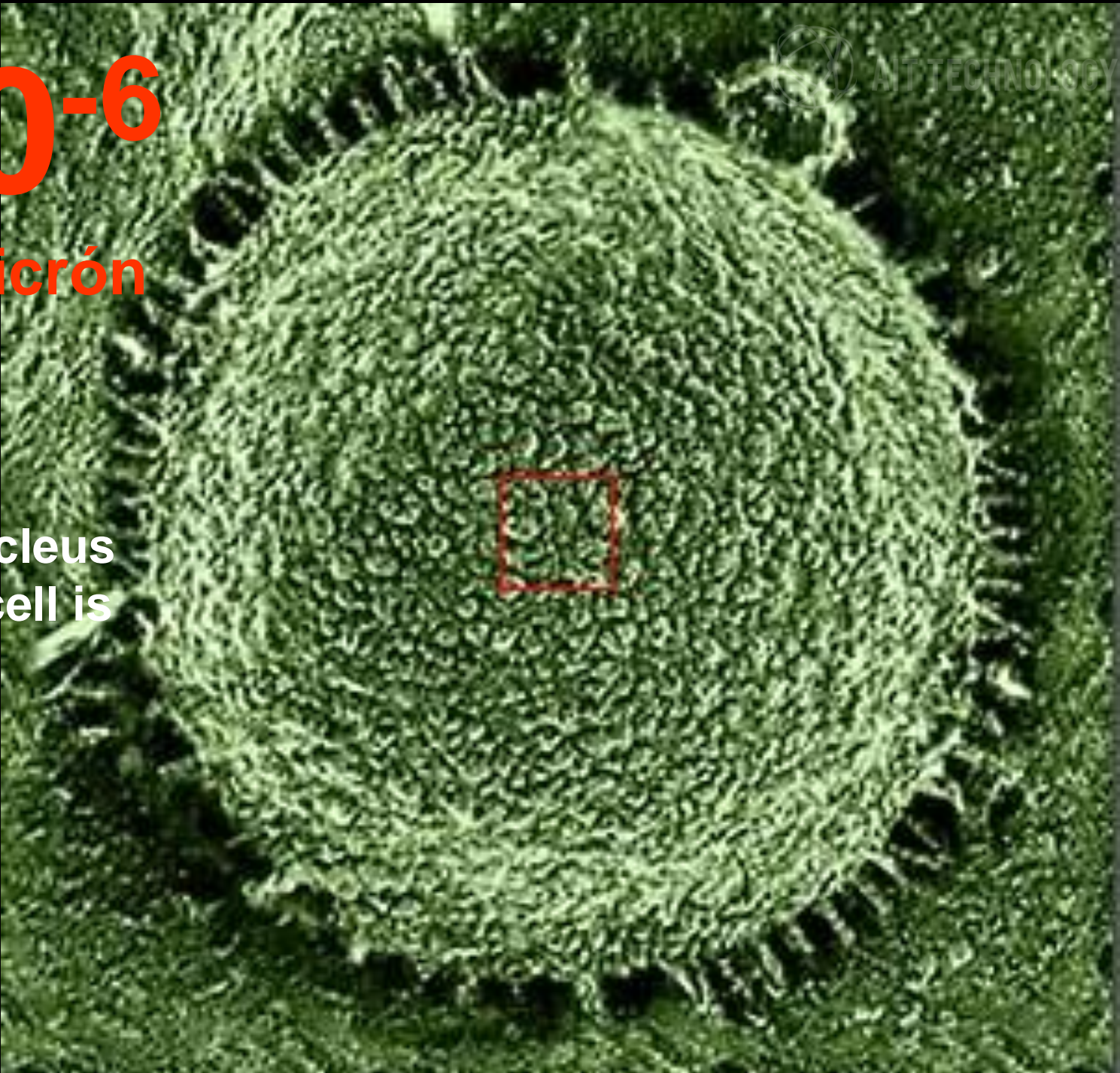


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10⁻⁶

1 micrón

**The nucleus
of the cell is
visible.**



10⁻⁷

**100 nano
meter**

**Nanotechnology is all
in this scale**

**Again we changed
the measuring unit
to adapt to the
miniscule size.
You could see the
chromosomes.**





10⁻⁸

10 nano meter

DNA's assemble to make us!



In this micro universe the DNA chain is visible.



10⁻⁹

1 nano meter



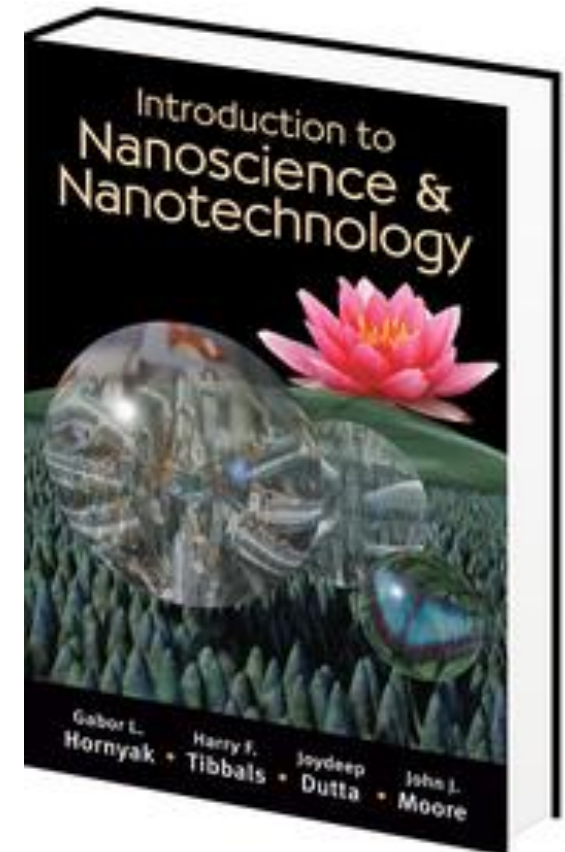
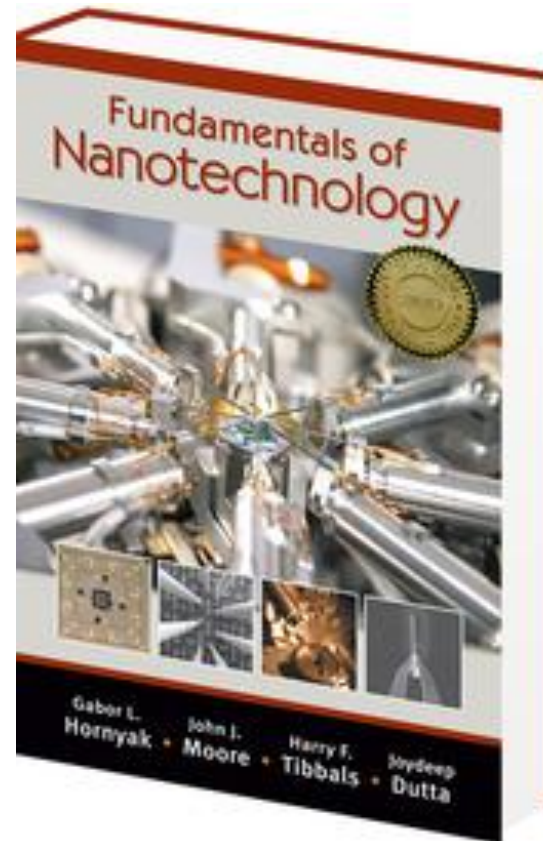
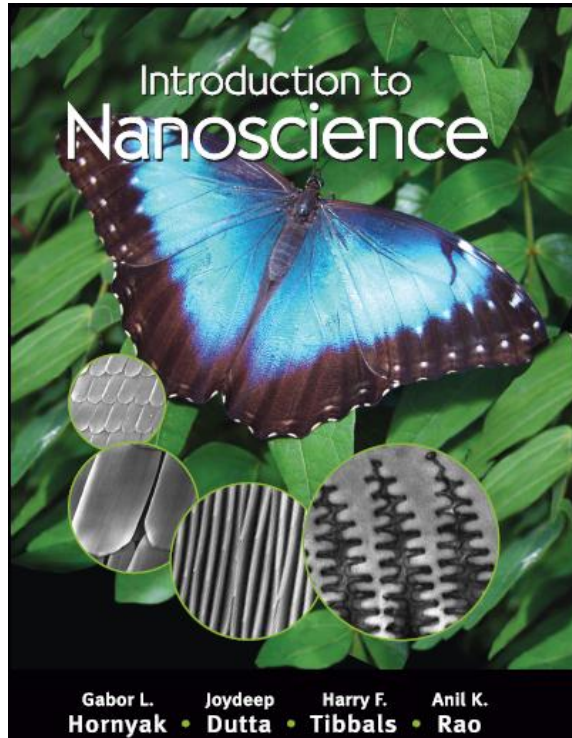
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**Molecules/atoms
assemble:
Nanotechnology**



**...the
chromosome
blocks can be
studied.**

Enter the world of Nanotechnology



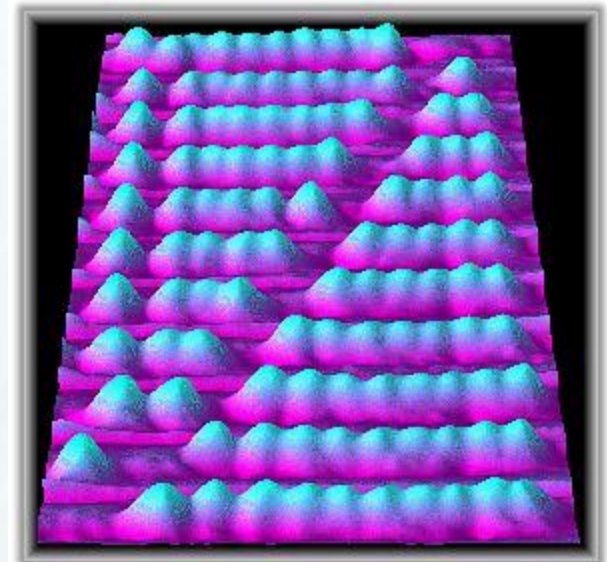


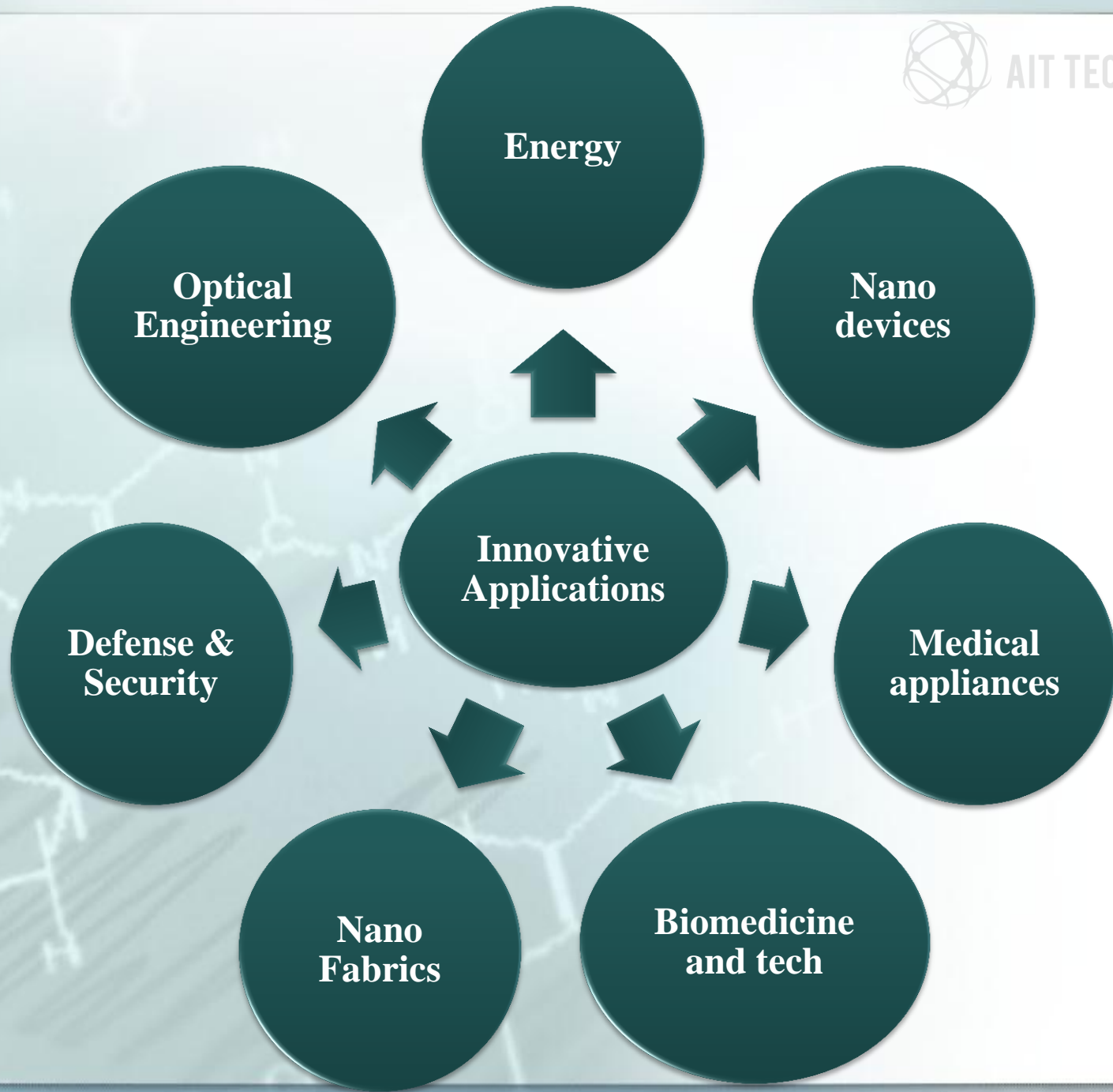
Nanotechnology- Projected Markets

Enormous potential economic impact by 2015

<u>Domain</u>	<u>Value (\$US billion/yr)</u>
Materials	340
Electronics	300
Pharmaceuticals	180
Chemicals	100
Aerospace	70
Nanotech Tools	20
Healthcare	30
<u>Sustainability</u>	<u>45</u>
TOTAL	1000

Total = \$1 trillion US

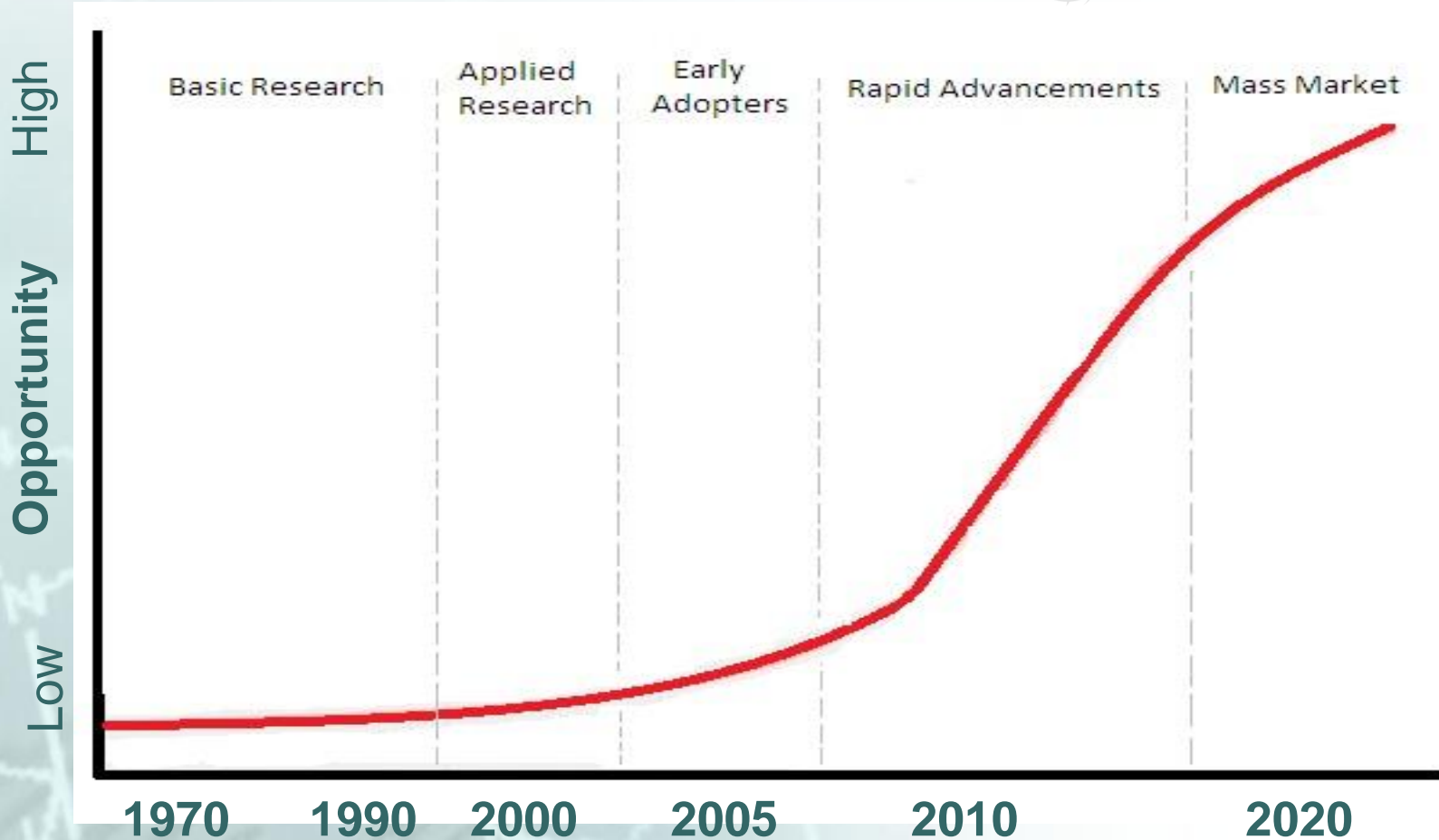




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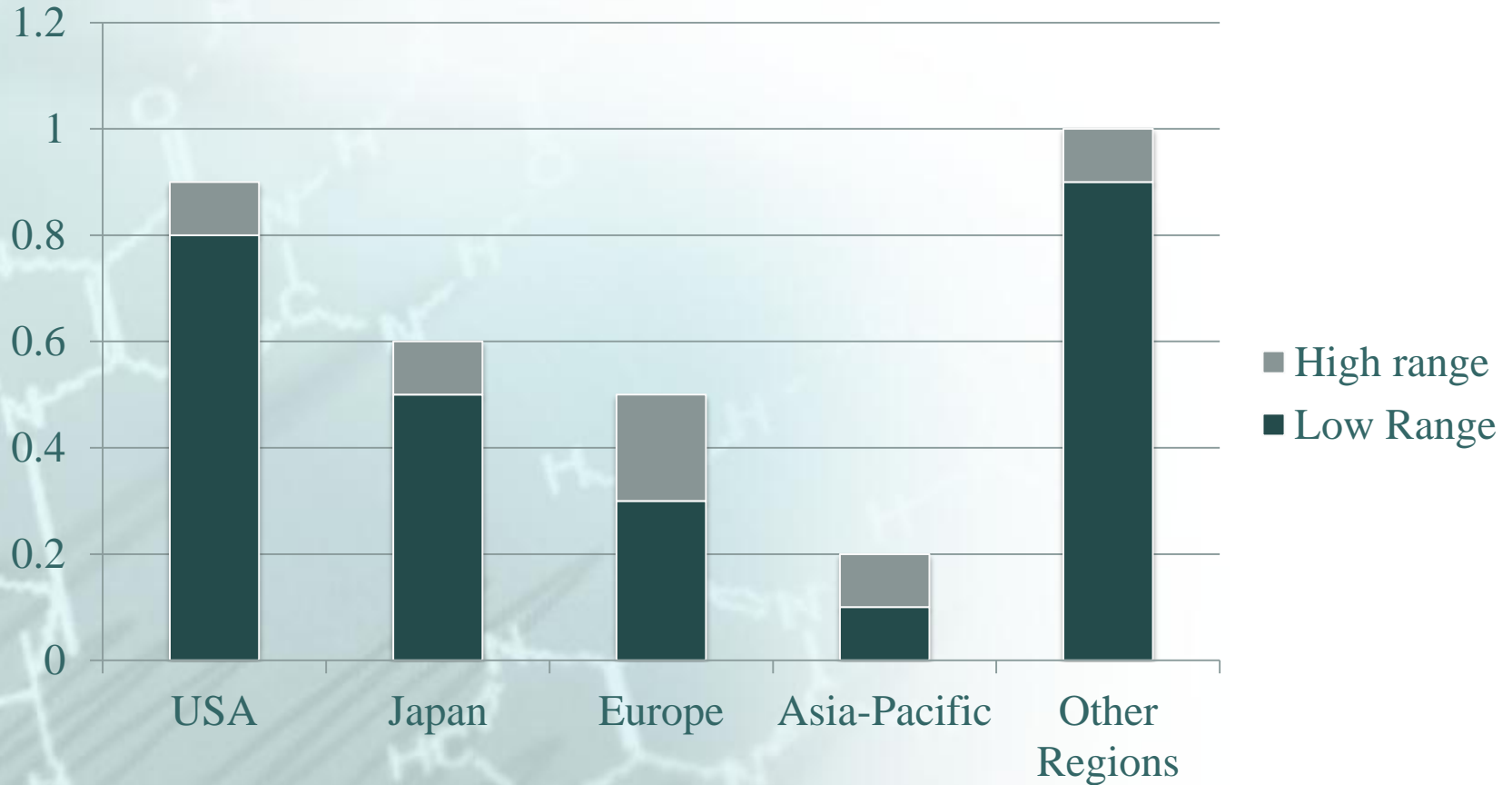
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Nanotechnology R&D has already begun to improve rapidly and its applications are expected to enter the mainstream market by year 2020 and beyond with considerable impact.



Nanotechnology Workforce Requirement (millions)



Year 2010-2015



vision

Technology

Applications

forecast



Humanity's Top Ten Problems for next 50 years

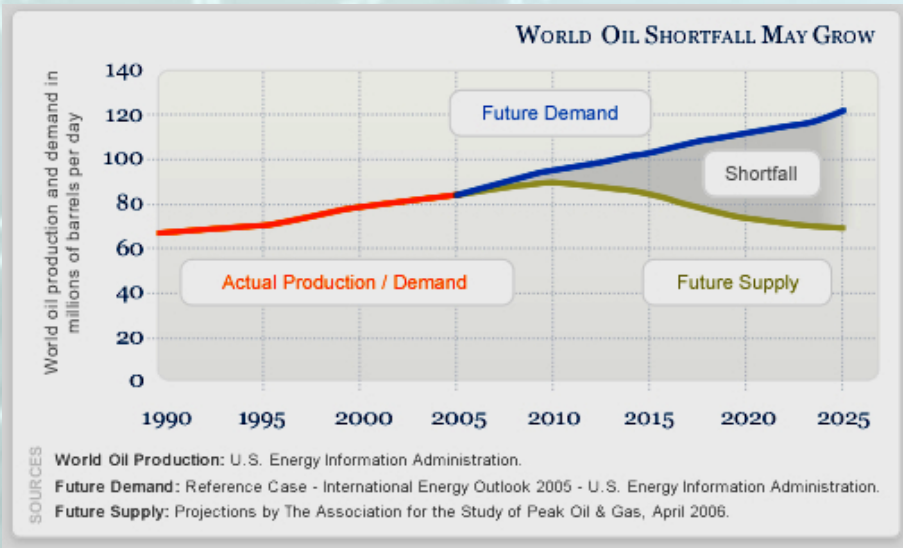
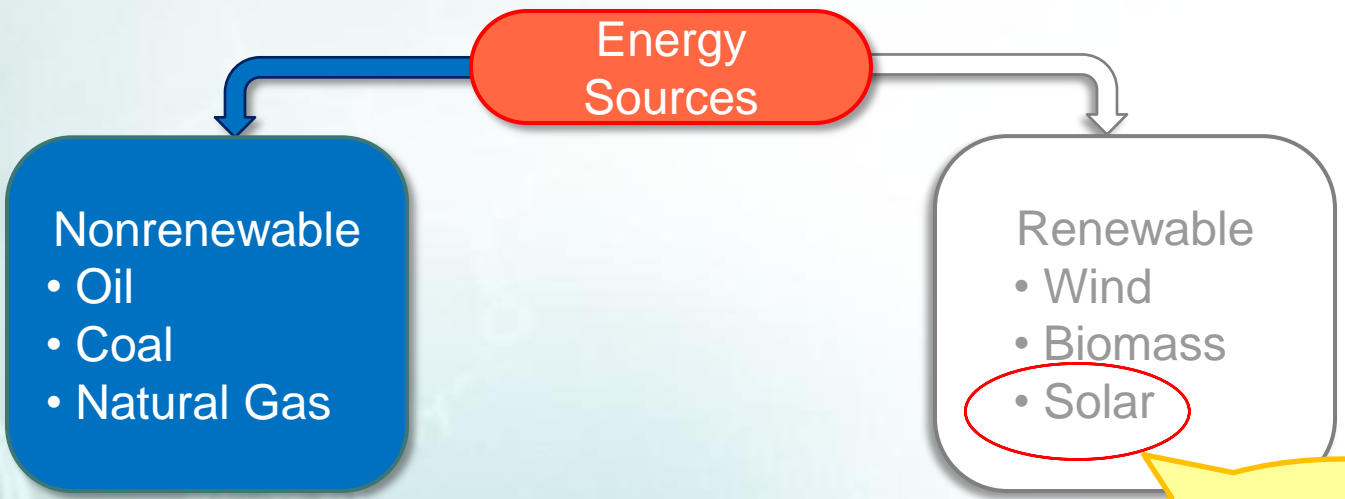
1. ENERGY
2. WATER
3. **FOOD**
4. ENVIRONMENT
5. POVERTY
6. **TERRORISM & WAR**
7. DISEASE
8. EDUCATION
9. DEMOCRACY
10. POPULATION





ENERGY

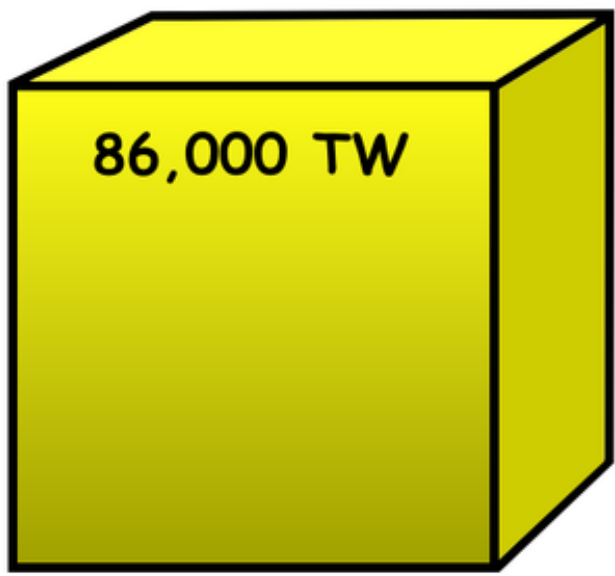
Energy Sources



Why Solar Energy?

- **Abundant**
Available ~ 86,000 TW/y
World Consumption ~ 15 TW/y
- **Never Ending**

Energy Available



Solar

7.2 TW



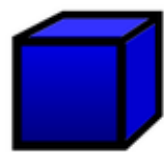
Hydro

32 TW



Geothermal

870 TW



Wind

15 TW



**Global
Consumption**



GENERATIONS OF SOLAR CELL

- ❖ Photovoltaic Effect – Invented by *Edmund Becquerel* in 1839
- ❖ 1st Solar Cell was made in 1883 by *Charles Fritts* using Selenium
- ❖ In 1954 – Commercial Solar Cell based on Single Silicon Crystal

1st Generation

Single Layer
PN Junction

- Monocrystalline Si

2nd Generation

Multi Layer
PN Junction

- Polycrystalline Si
- Amorphous Si
- CIGS
- CdTe
- GaAs

3rd Generation

Thin Film
Solar Cell

- Dye Sensitized Solar Cell
- Organic Polymer Solar Cell
- Quantum Dot Solar Cell

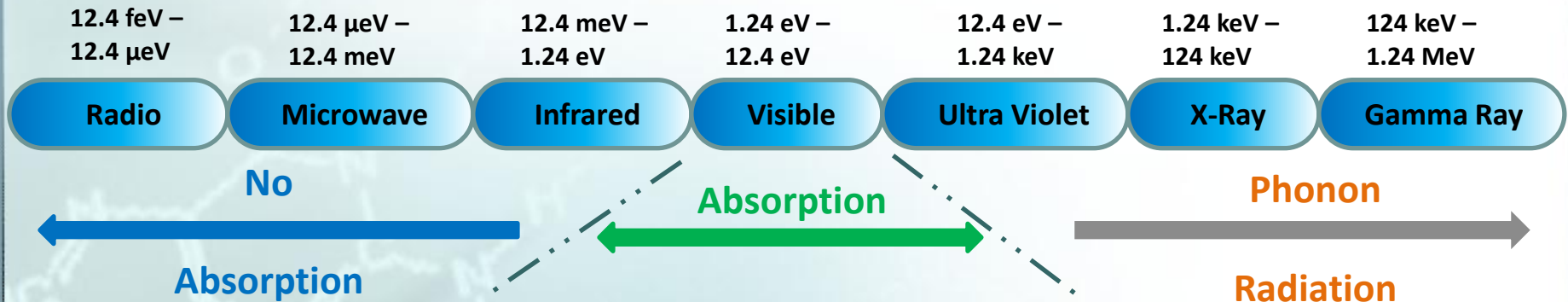
4th Generation

Polymer & Multi
Junction Solar
Cell

Future Quantum Dot Solar Cells

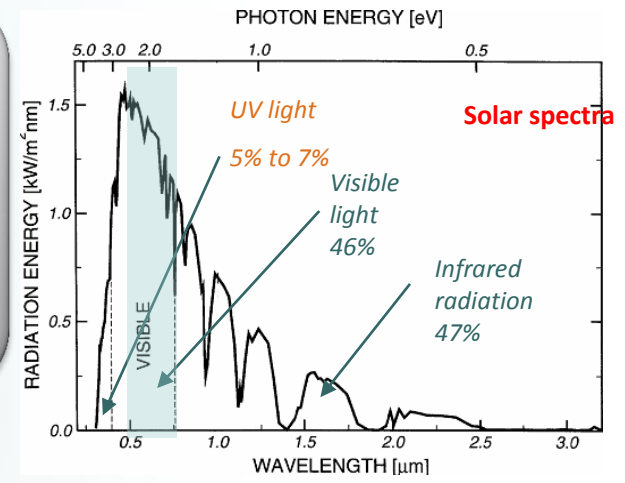


Shockley-Queisser Limit for P-N junction Si solar cells:

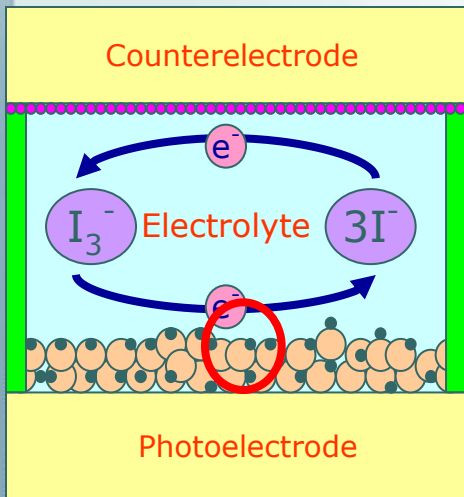


For Si Solar Cell: $E_g = 1.1 \text{ eV}$

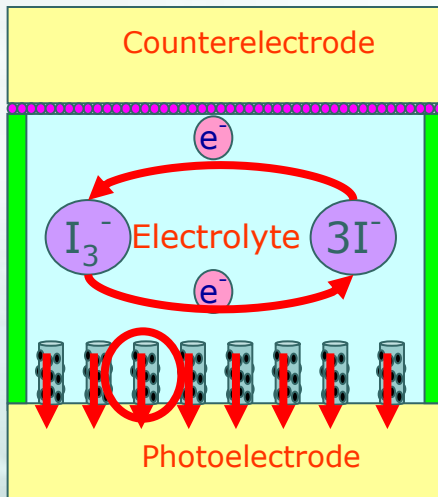
- $E < E_g$: Transmission (18.50%)
- $E > E_g$: Thermalisation (47.00%)
- Recombination (1.50%)
- Remaining Efficiency = **33.00%**



SOLAR CELLS



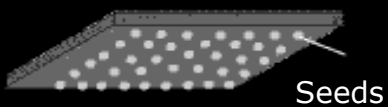
TiO₂-DSSC



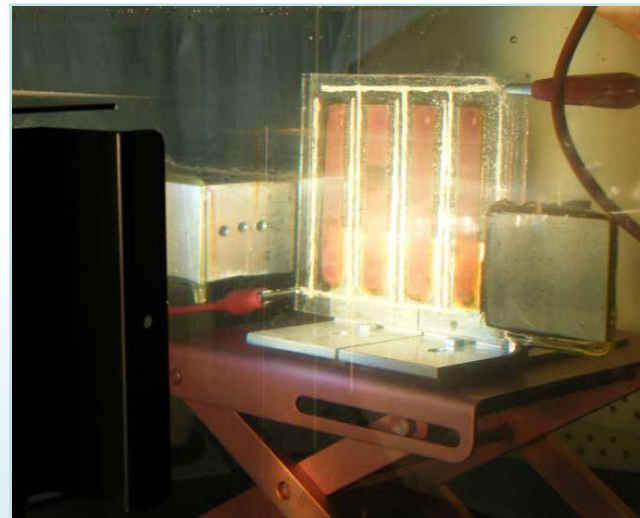
ZnONWs-DSSC

Direct transport of electron in NWs-DSSC

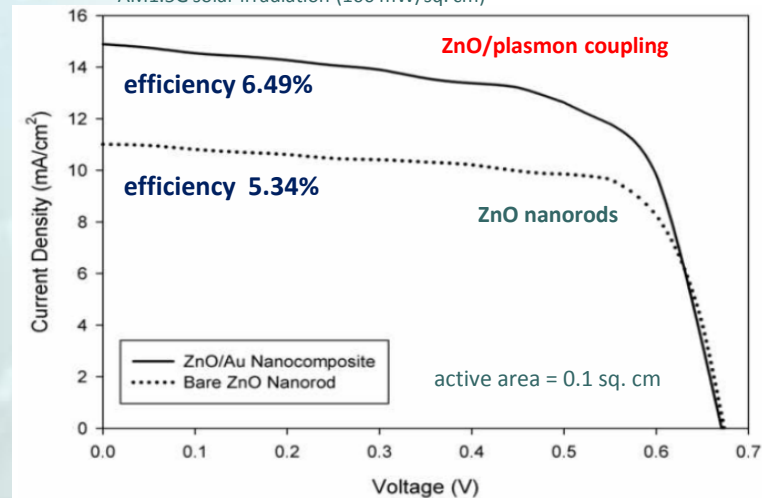
Anisotropic Growth of ZnO Nanorods



Seeds



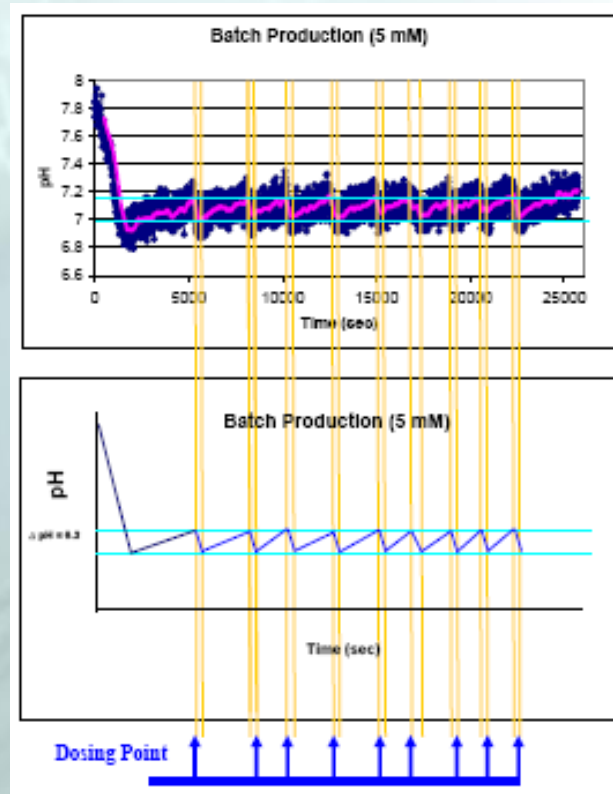
AM1.5G solar irradiation (100 mW/sq. cm)





ZINC OXIDE NANOWIRE MACHINE

- Ready to Commercialize
- Process automated
- Optimization complete with Minitab application



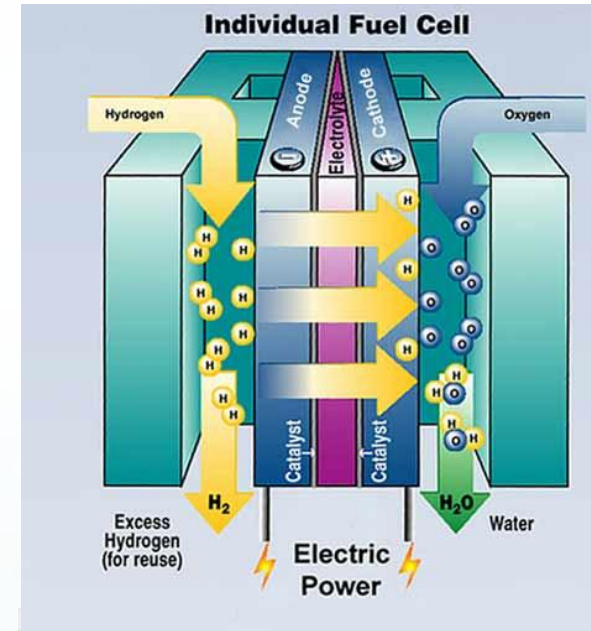


Renewable Hydrogen Energy

- Clean energy
- Be obtained from the high abundant compounds on earth such as water and HCs
- High thermal efficiency (35-40%)
- On-broad production

<http://www.geni.org/globalenergy/library/articles-renewable-energy-transmission/h2-fuel-cell.shtml>

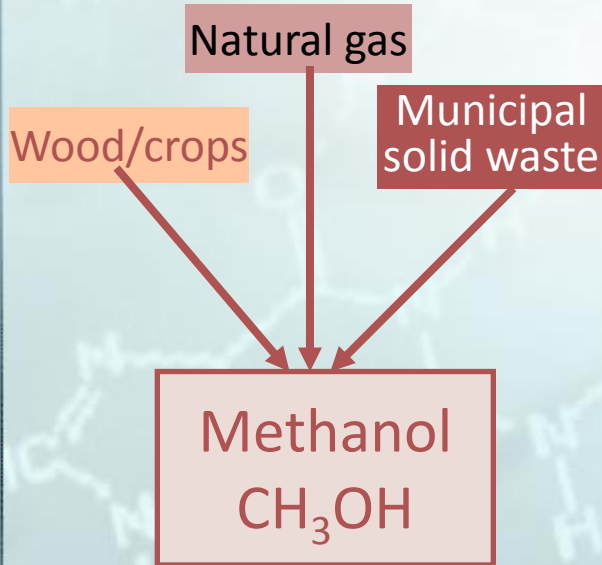
<http://www.ecoautoninja.com/eco-auto-government-industry-news/gm-may-cut-fuel-cell-development-32250/>



Fuel cell car

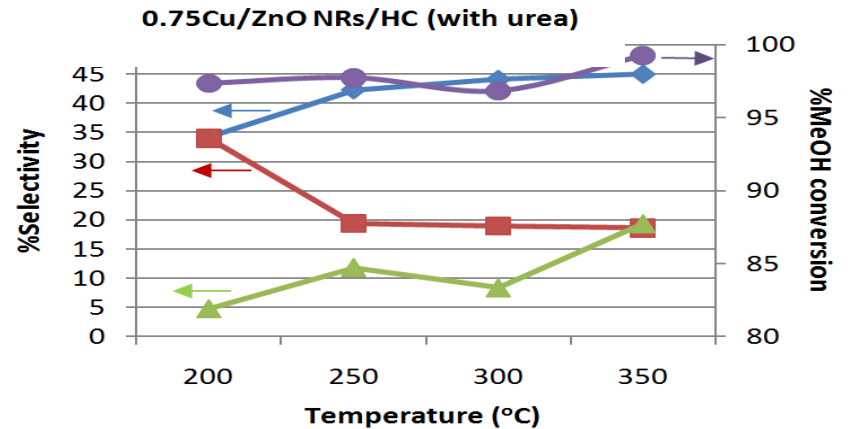


HYDROGEN PRODUCTION



Why Methanol?

- Low cost
- Low boiling point (64.7°C)
- No sulfur
- Low reforming temp.
- Easy to store





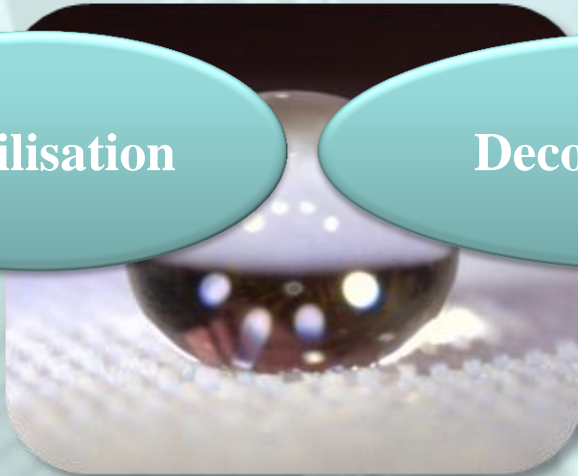
SENSING PURIFICATION CLEANING



3 ways nanotechnology can contribute to the availability of abundant potable water



Sterilisation



Decontamination

Water-desalination



Do we need to bother about microbes?



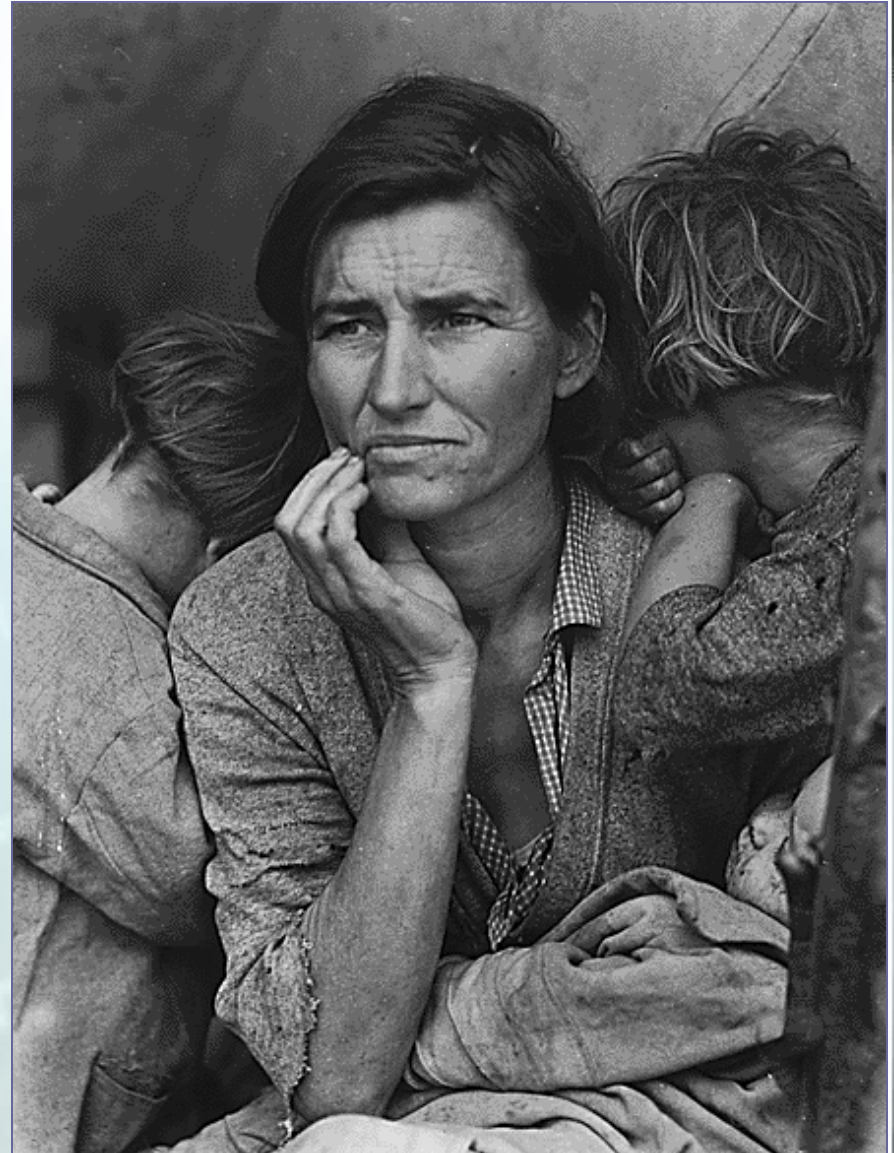
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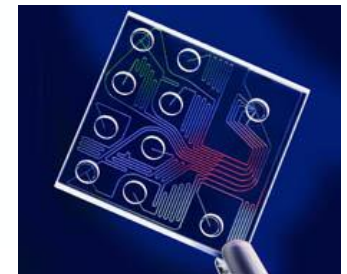
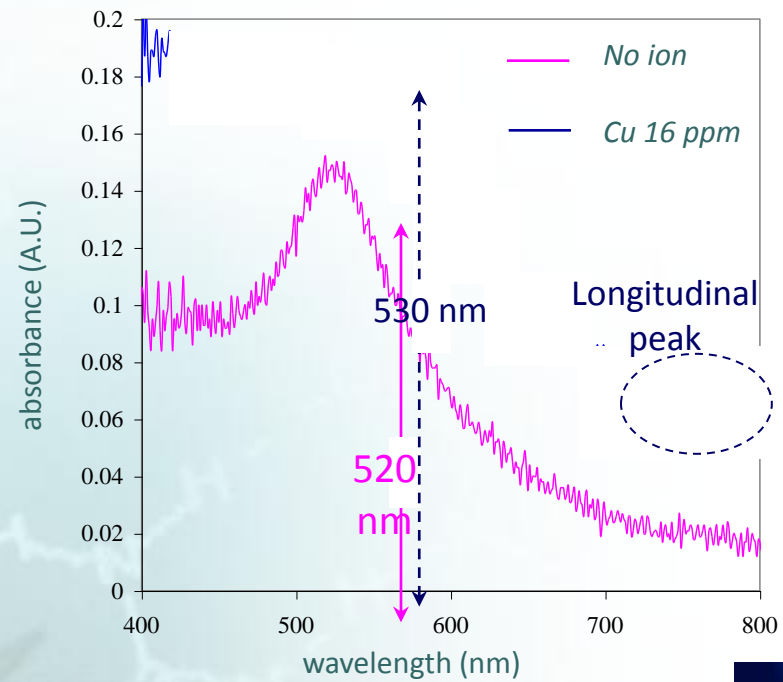
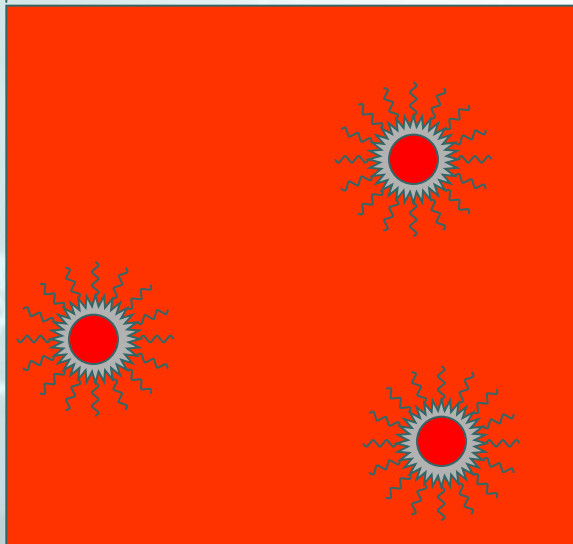
people

DIE

over **15 min** in the world
due to pathogen-contaminated water

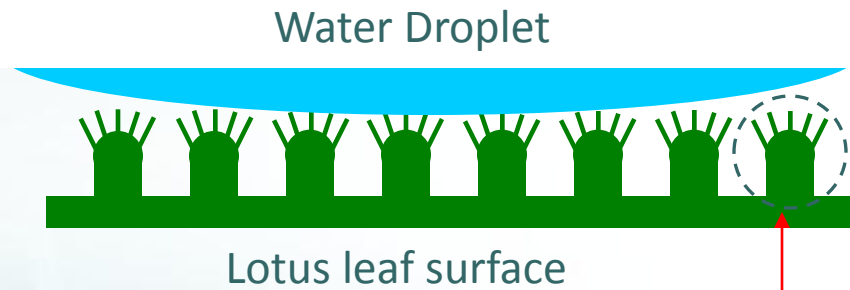


HEAVY METAL ION SENSORS

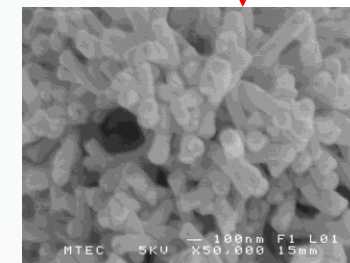
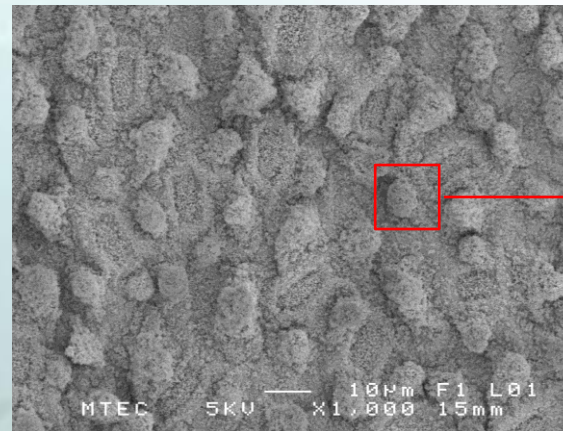


10 nm → 24 nm

Lotus Effect



10~15 μ m



~100nm (waxy material)

- Higher contact angle
- Non wetting surface
- Self cleaning properties
- Low surface energy

Physical effect

- Micro structure surface
- Nano structure surface

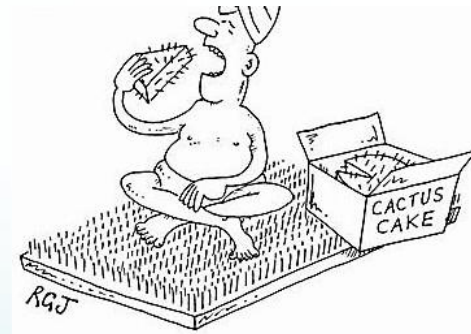
Chemical effect

- Low surface energy material

Fakir or Cassie-Baxter Model



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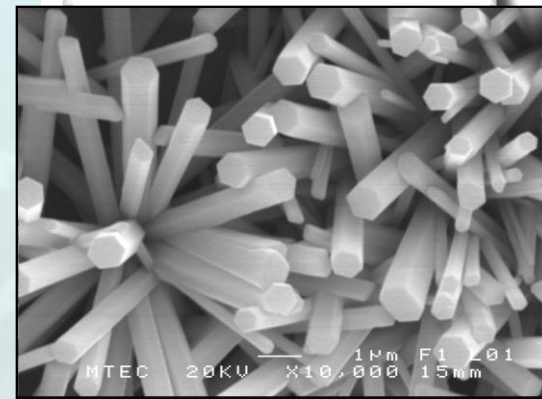
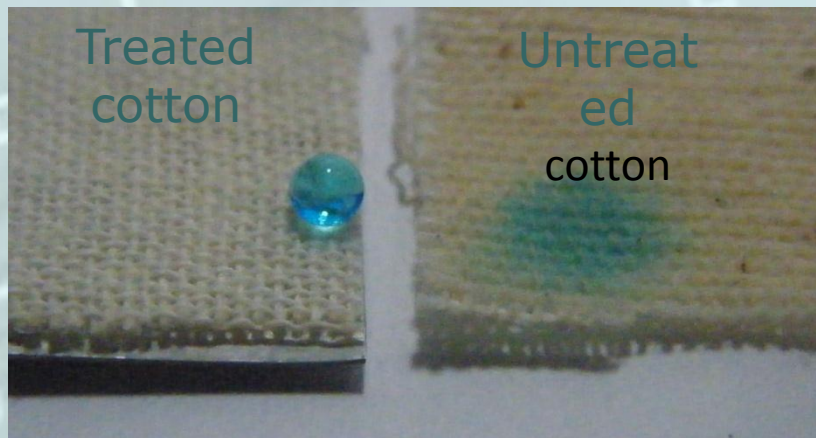
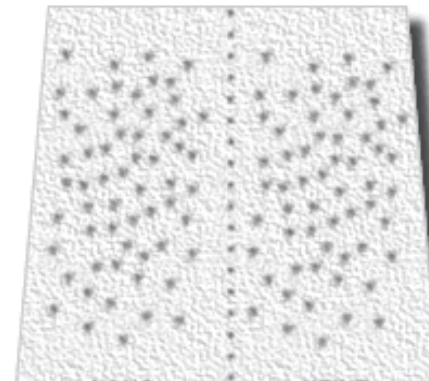
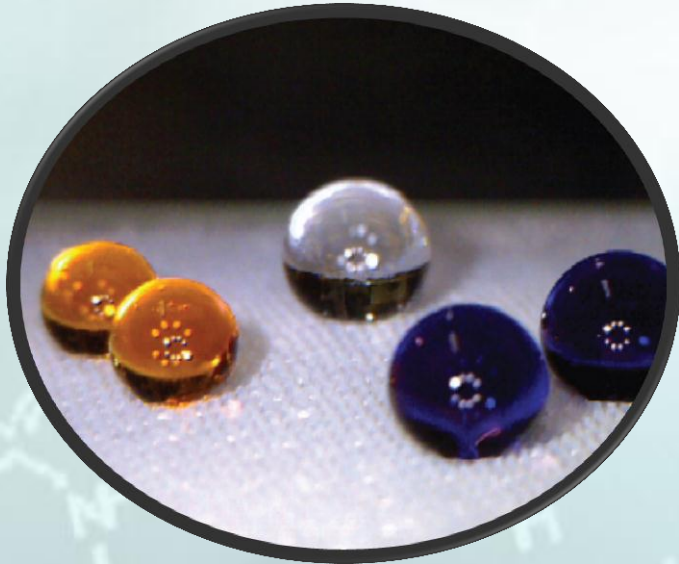
An average human of **70kg**, when spread out among ca. **600 nails**, will feel only about **117g of force per nail** (Human skin can endure approximately **900g of force**)



All of the force uniformly distributed on the tip of nails



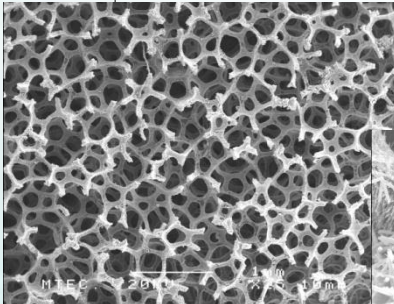
SELF-CLEANING SURFACES



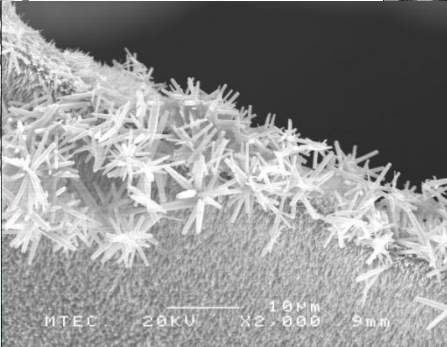
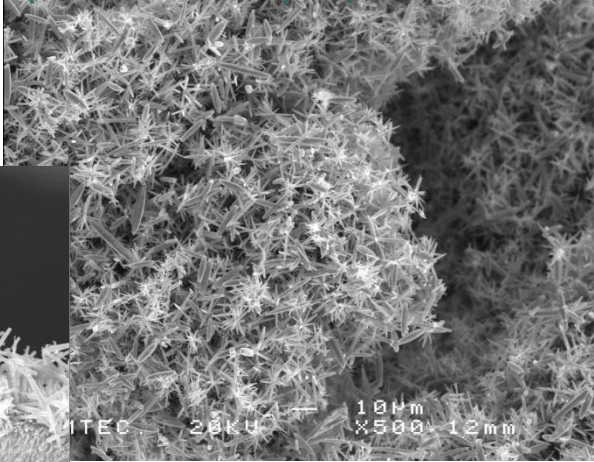
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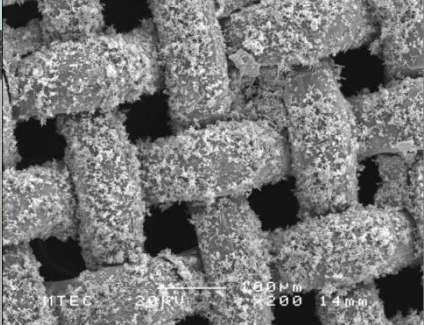
Polyurethane Foam (Pore size: 55-65 micron)



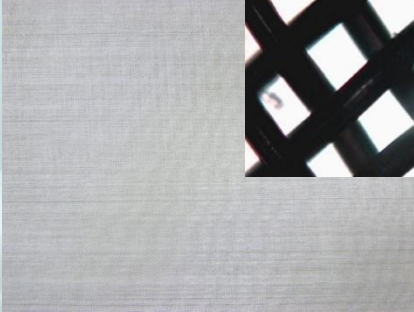
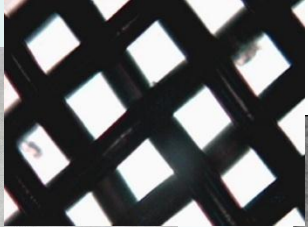
Stainless Steel Porous Metal (Pore size: 40µm)



Polyester Scrim-woven



Stainless Steel Screen (Mesh size: 150 x 150 µm)





Water Purification

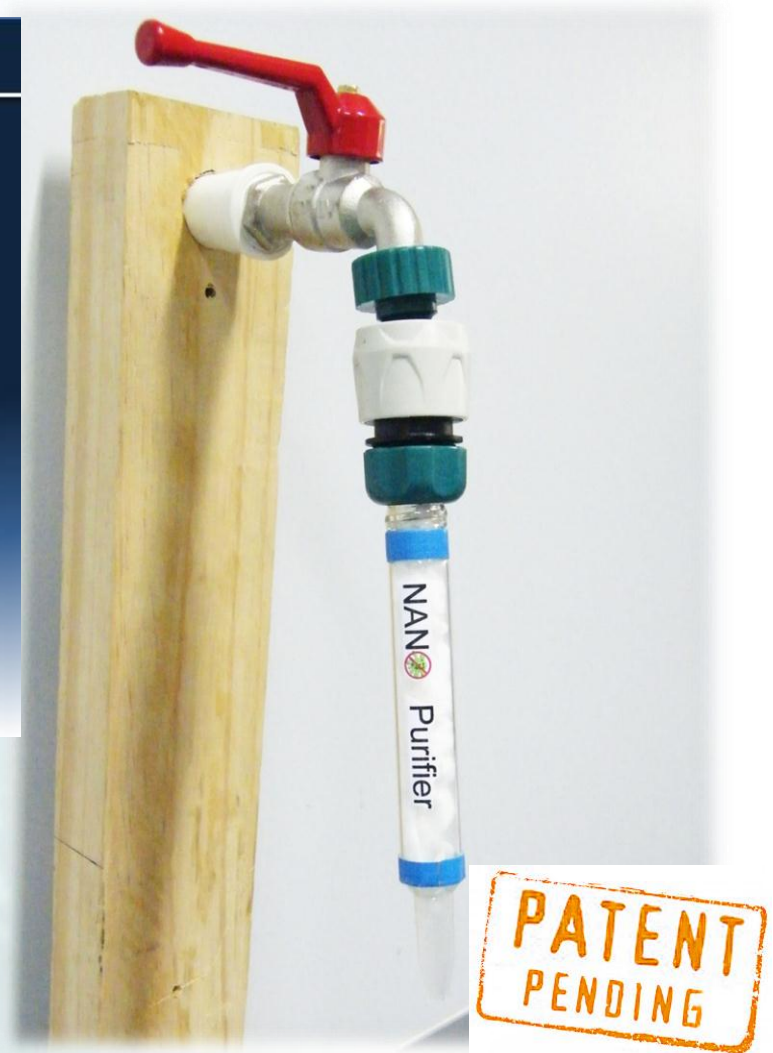


WATER PURIFIER



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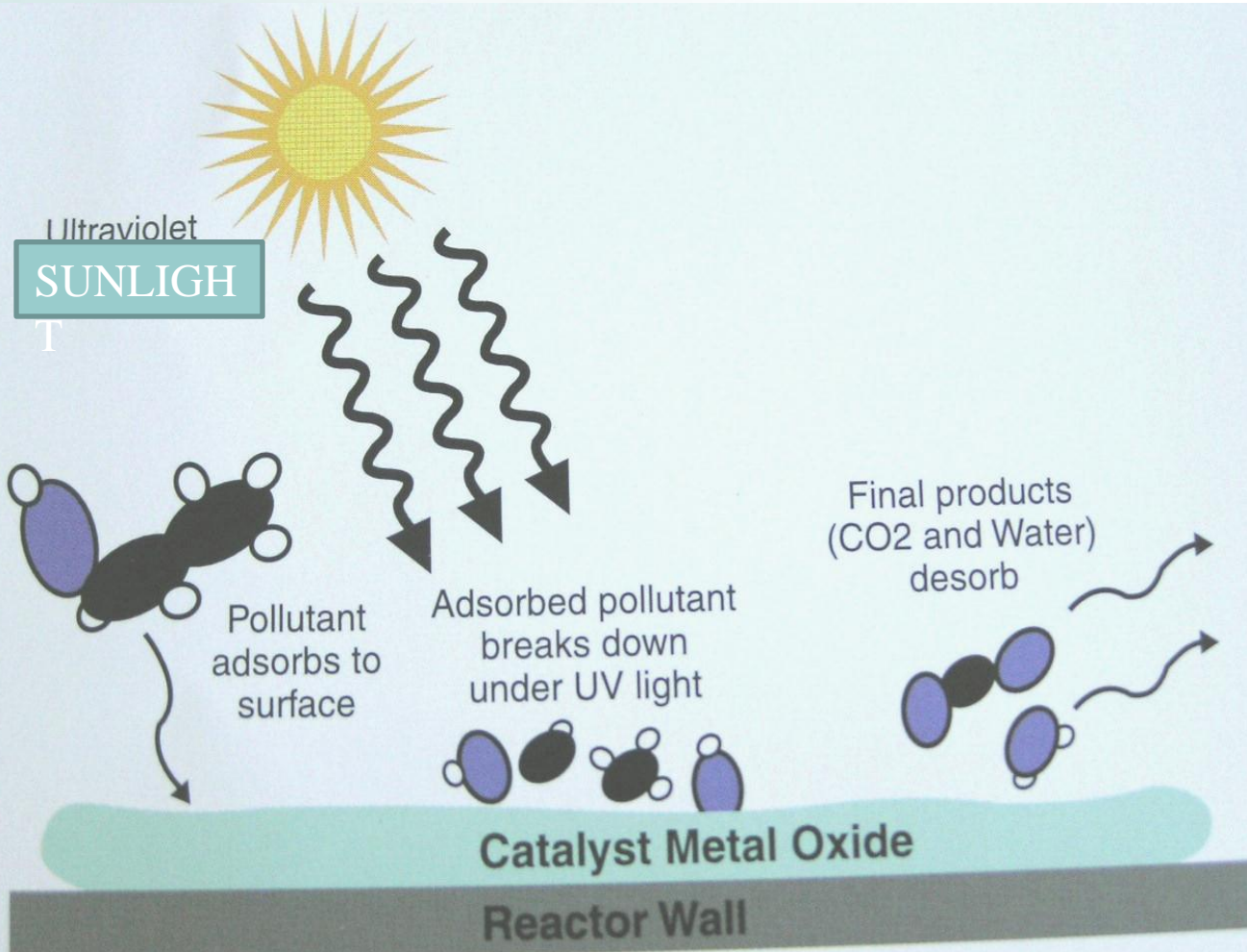
Mai Bangkok Business Challenge



Indian Patent application: 2458/MUM/2011



WATER PURIFIER: Technology behind



Ultraviolet
SUNLIGHT

Final products
(CO₂ and Water)
desorb

Pollutant
adsorbs to
surface

Adsorbed pollutant
breaks down
under UV light

Catalyst Metal Oxide
Reactor Wall

Catalyst support membrane

Photocatalysis

Slow release of
Zn²⁺ through
dissolution

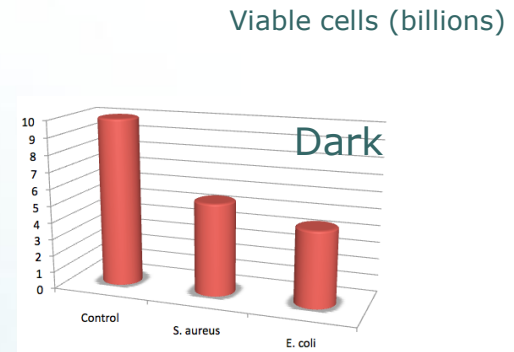


Amount of microbes present in tap water	≈ 100,000 cfu per liter
Amount of microbes used for testing the filter	≈ 10,000,000,000 (10 billion) cfu per liter

Amount of microbes removed from water:

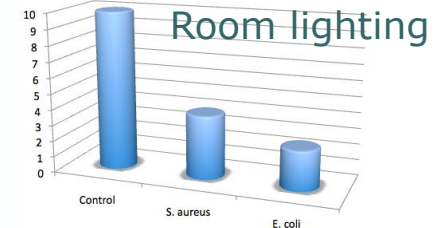
In the dark

≈ 5.5 billion cfu per liter (*E. coli*)
≈ 4.5 billion cfu per liter (*S. aureus*)



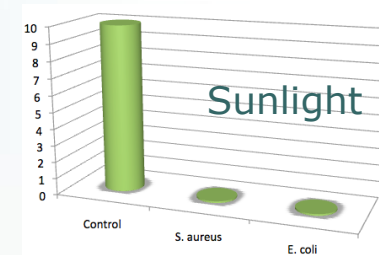
In room lighting

≈ 7.5 billion cfu per liter (*E. coli*)
≈ 6.0 billion cfu per liter (*S. aureus*)



In sunlight

≈ 9.9 billion cfu per liter (*E. coli*)
≈ 9.9 billion cfu per liter (*S. aureus*)



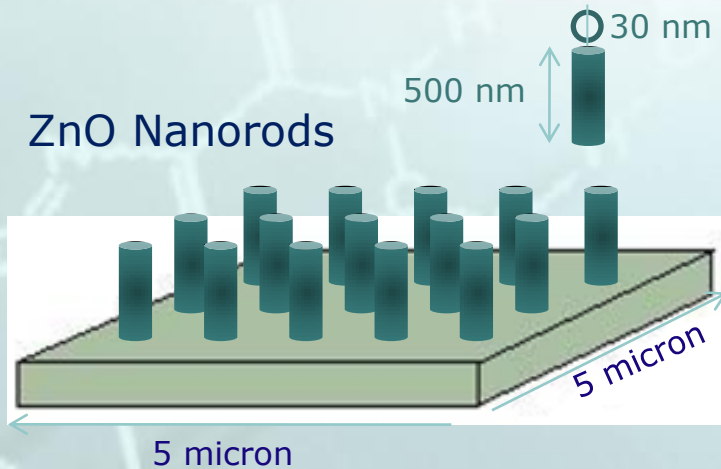
100% removal at 100,000 cfu per liter

LPG GAS SENSOR



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- Miniature
- High sensitivity
- Fast response
- Simple electronic interface



Thin film: Total sensing area-
 $2.5 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^2$

Nanorods: Total sensing area- $1.202 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$

Area increased \sim **500 times**



PATENT PENDING

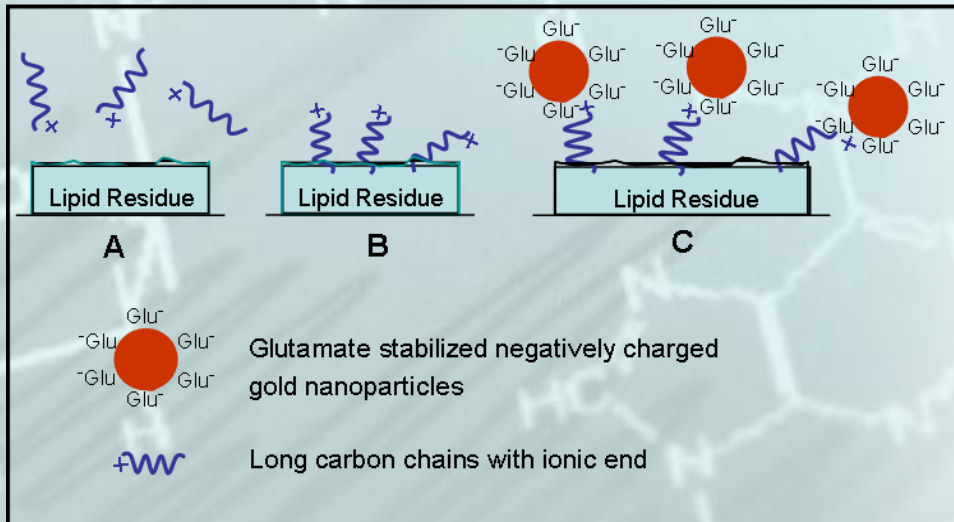


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FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION

- Simple technique
- Can be applied to wet surfaces
(not possible for *dusting*)
- Short development time
 - Cost Effective





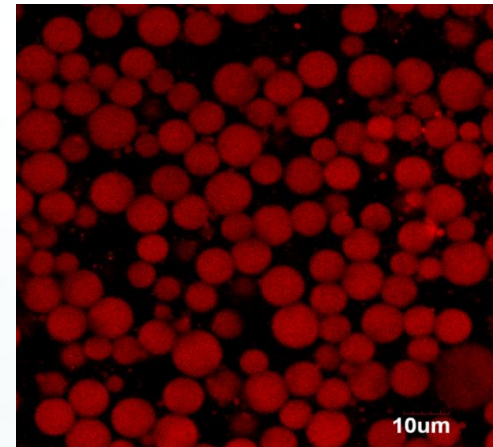
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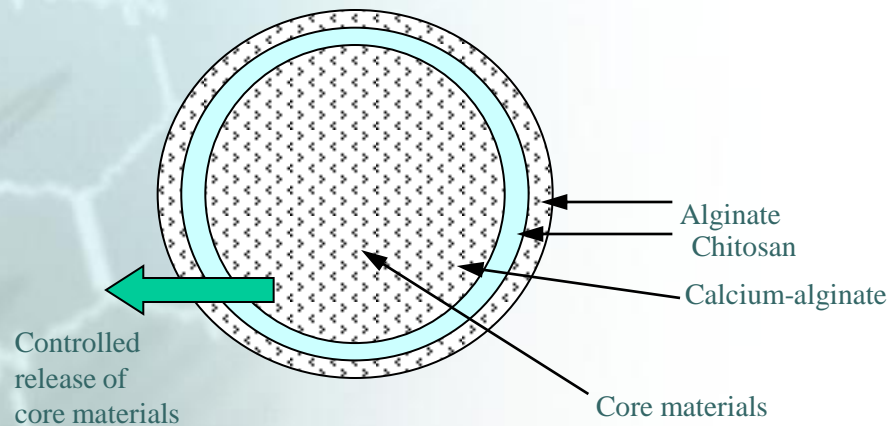
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Chitosan-Alginate Beads



Chitosan-Alginate Microspheres



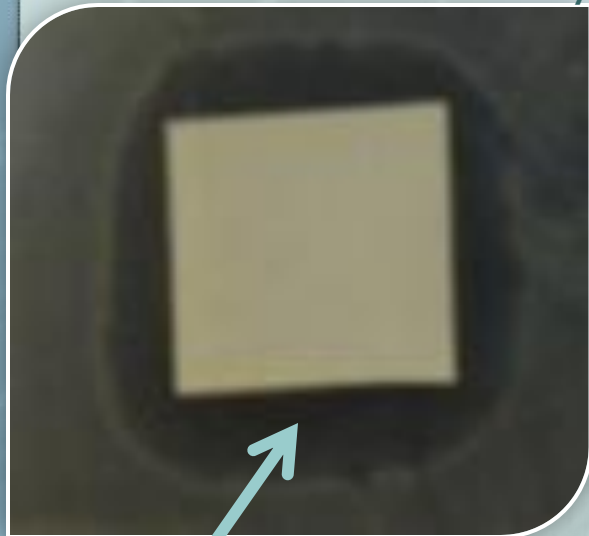


PHOTOCATALYTIC PAPER

- Reusable with nominal decrease in efficiency
- Low cost and environmentally-friendly
- Lower ink absorbency

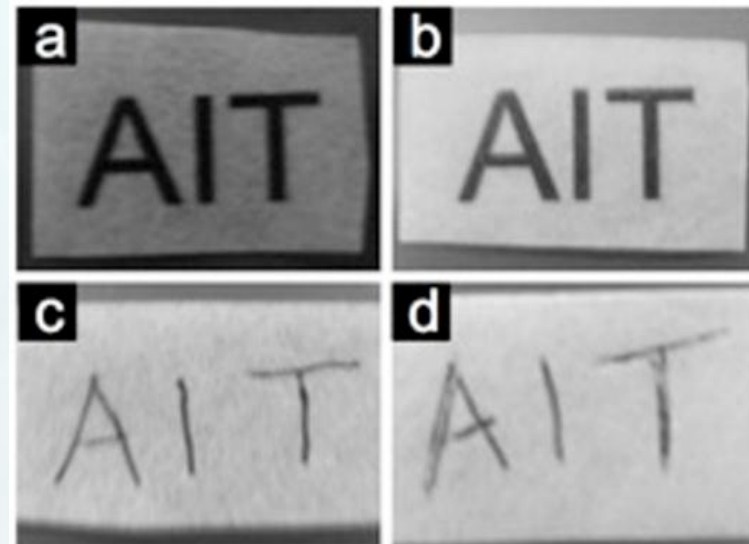
Potential Applications in:

- chromatography
- Hospital environments
- filtration
- Ink Jet printing



No Bacterial Growth

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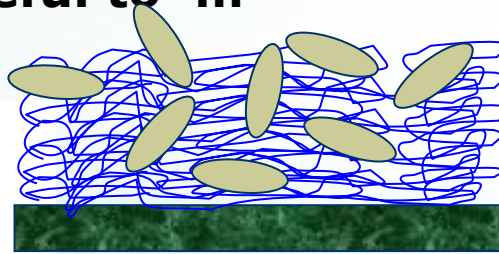


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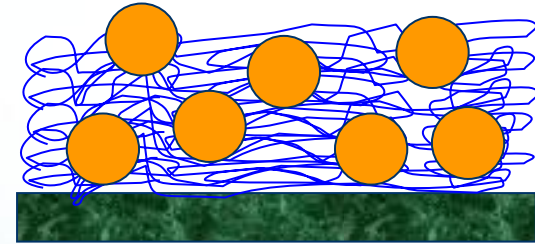
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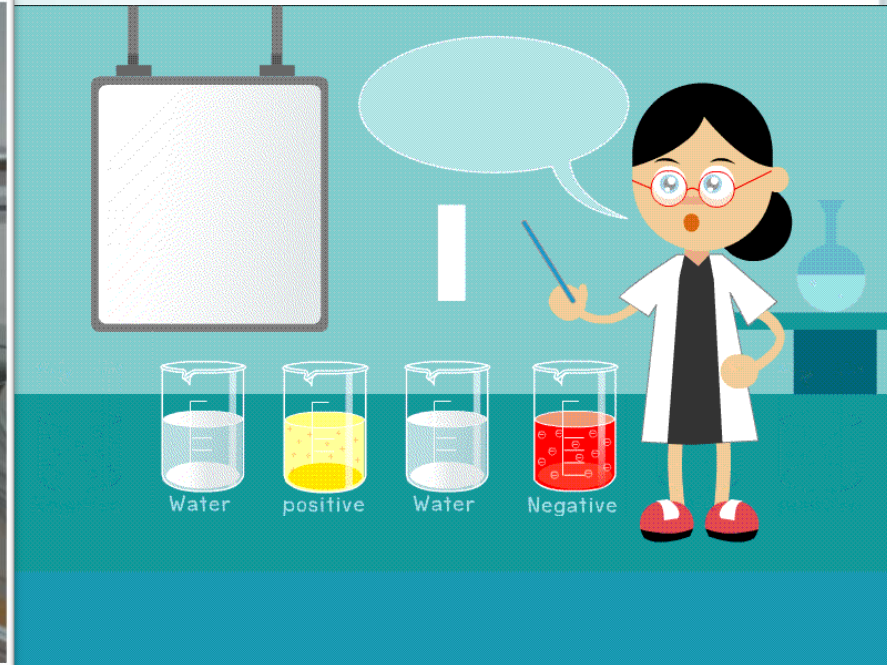
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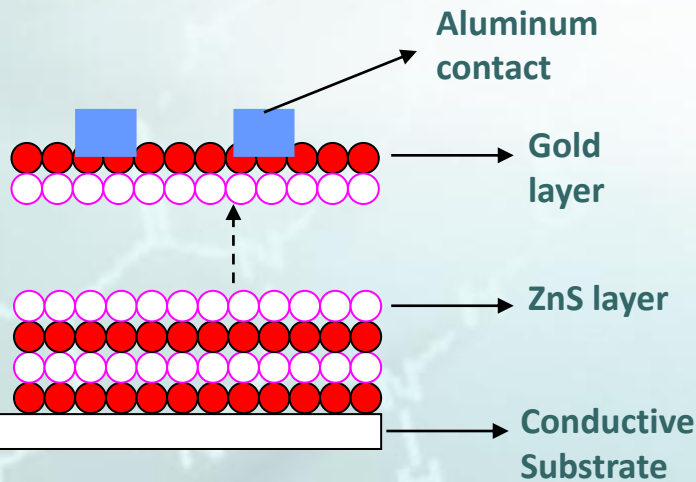
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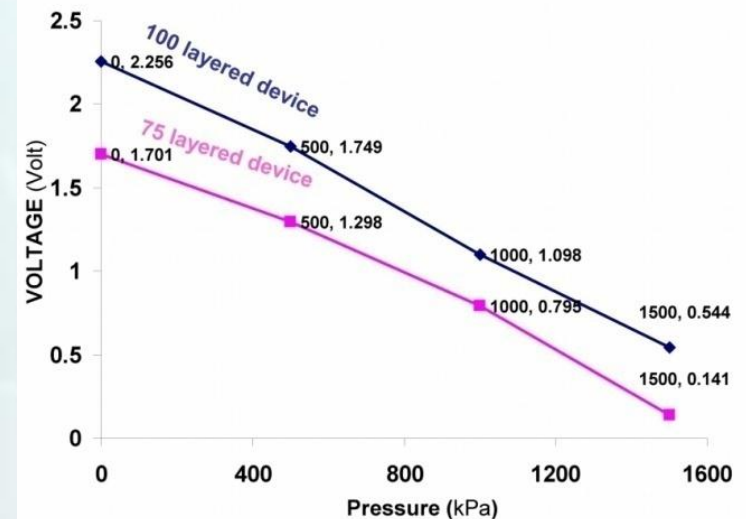
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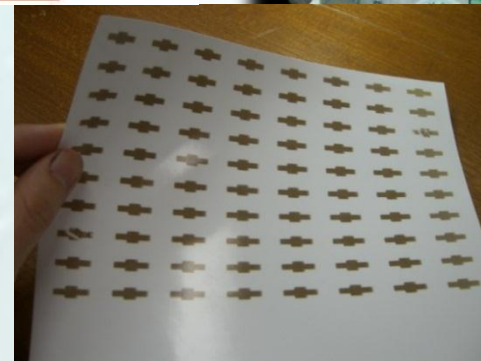
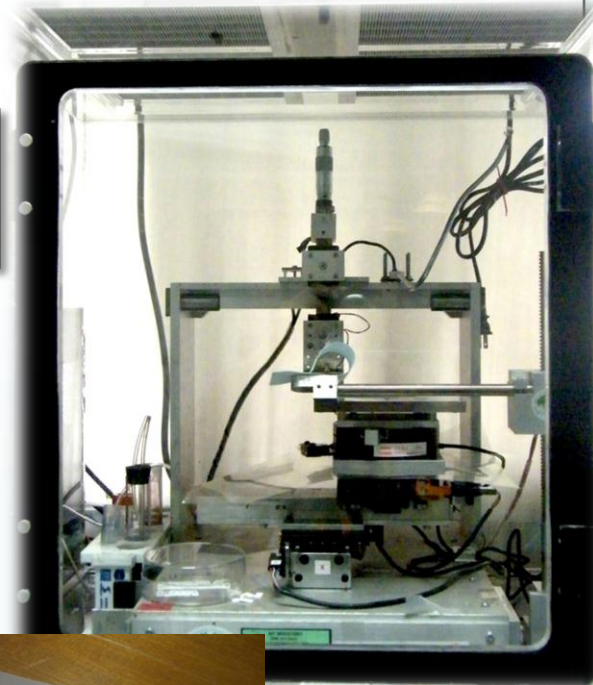
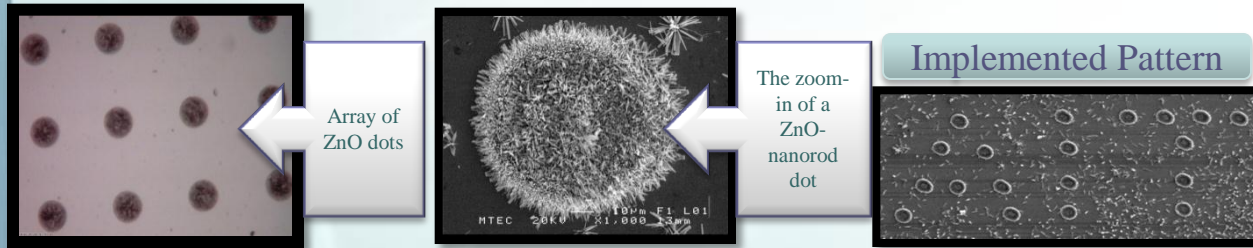
PRESSURE SENSOR



- Novel fabrication method of electronic devices
- Simple, Low-cost and flexible fabrication
- All ranges of Pressure can be measured
- Repeatable characteristics



Inkjet printed RFID



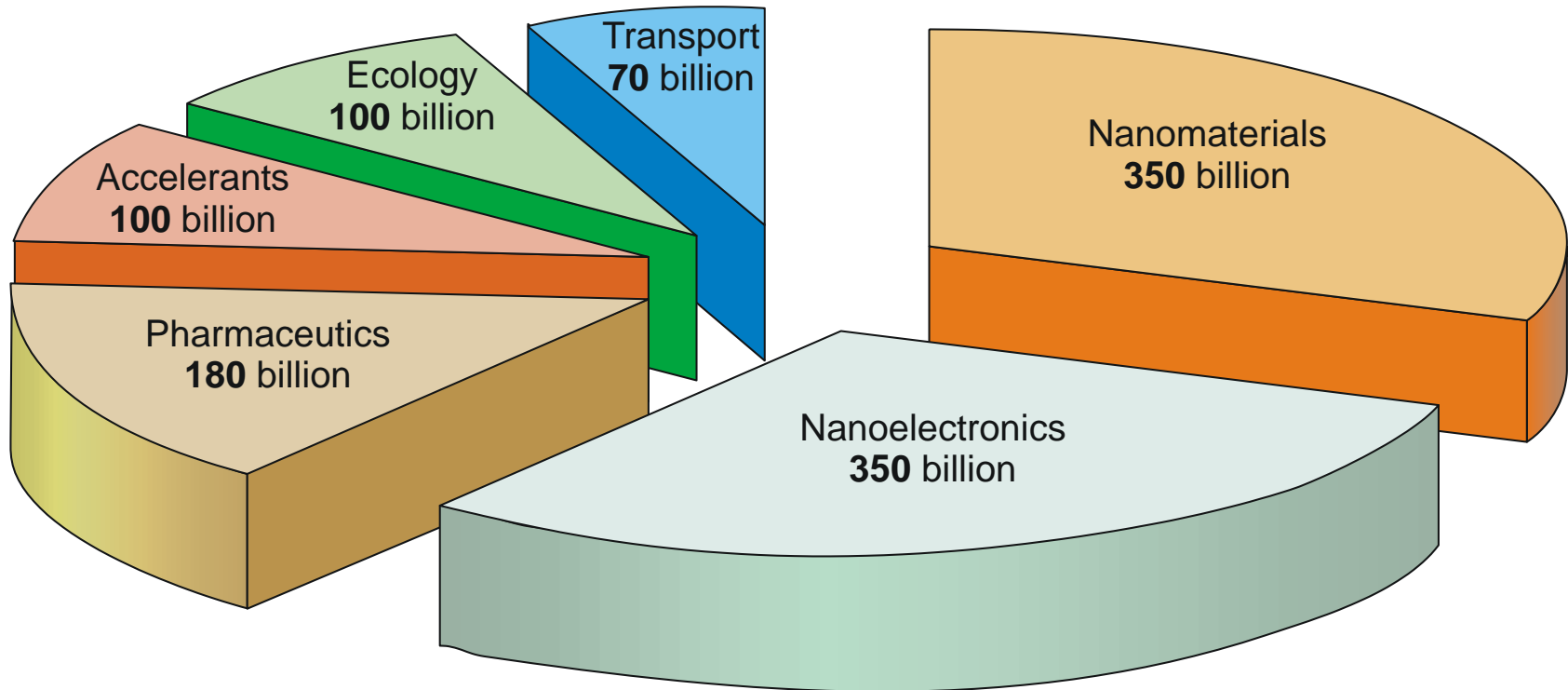
- Direct writing by **ink-jet printer**
- **Low-cost** electronic fabrication
- Direct growth from **nanocrystals**
- **Low temperature** non-polluting process

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More than 1 trillion USD annually by 2015





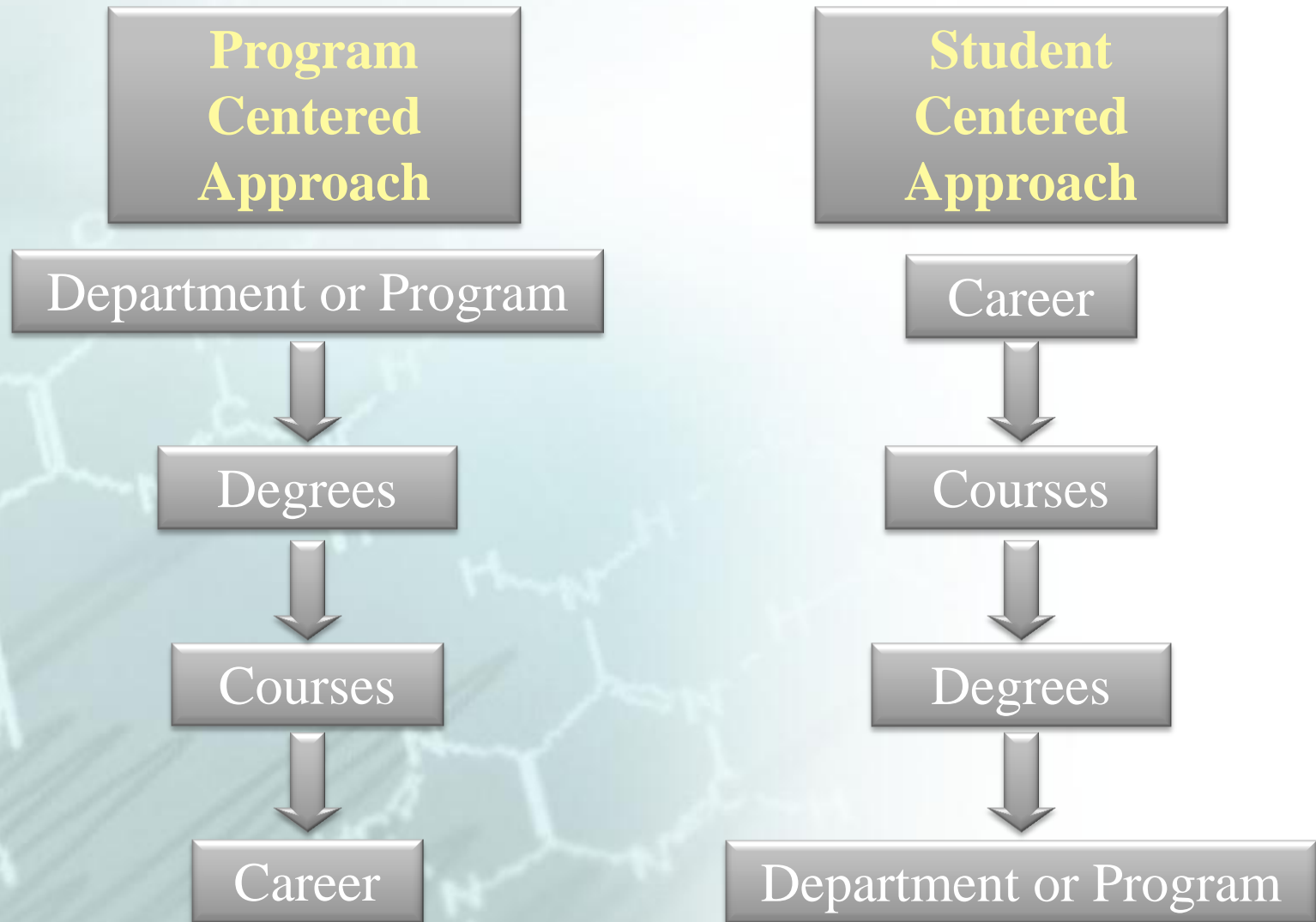
“We are entering a new age, an age of knowledge, in which the key strategic resource necessary for prosperity has become knowledge itself – educated people, their ideas and innovation, and their entrepreneurial spirit.”

▪ (Bloch, 1988)

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