

## UNIT-V

### Smart sensors and devices:

**RFID and IoT materials:** Synthesis, properties and applications in logistic information, intelligent packaging systems (Graphene oxide, carbon nanotubes (CNTs) and polyaniline).

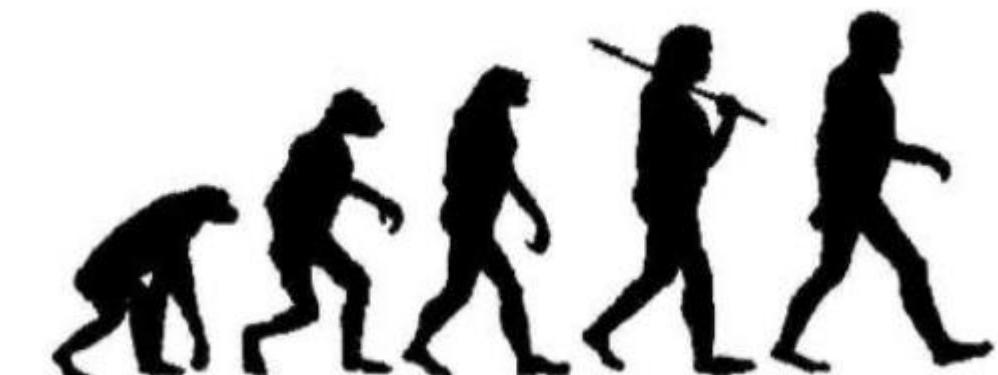
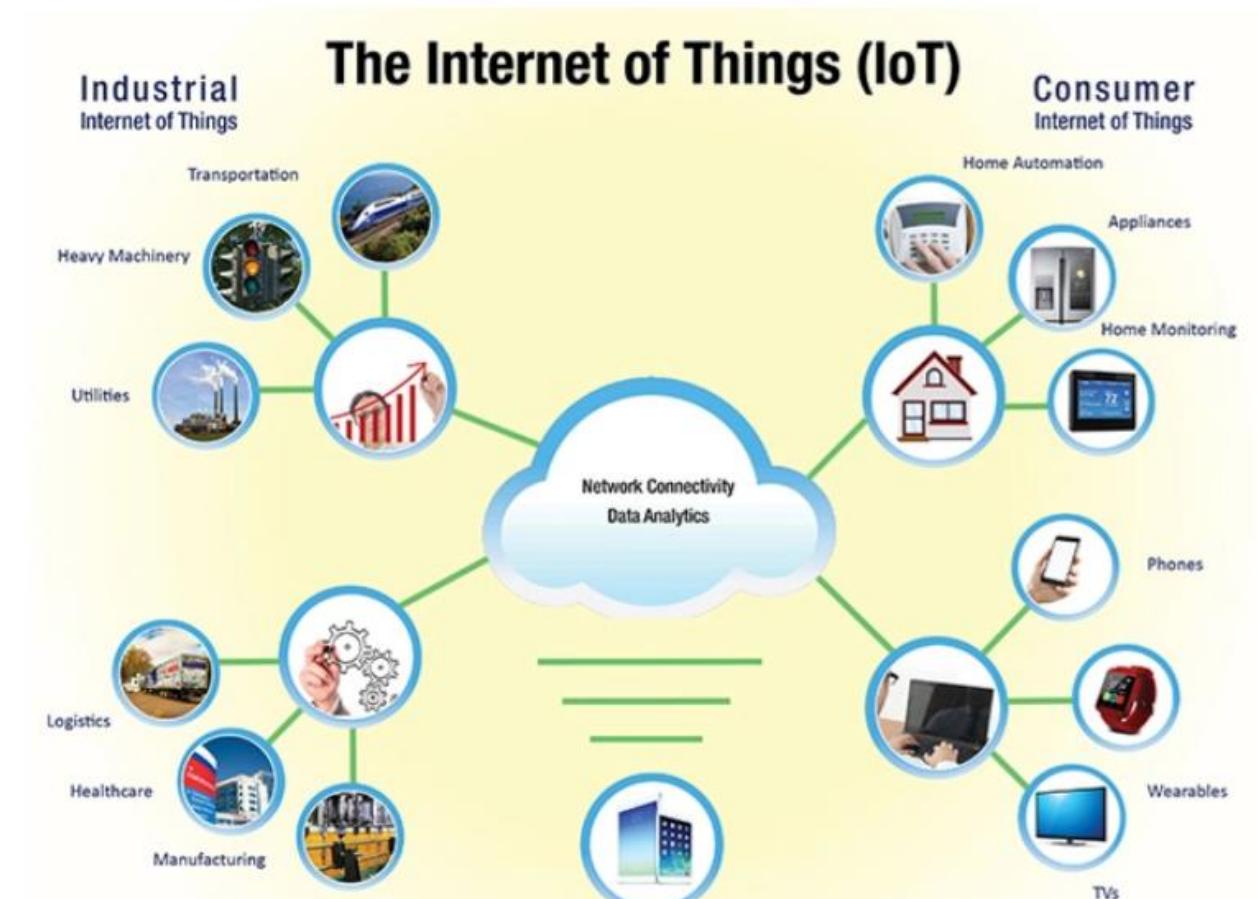
**Sensors:** Introduction, types of sensors (Piezoelectric and electrochemical), nanomaterials for sensing applications (Strain sensors, gas sensor, biomolecules and volatile organic compounds).

The purpose of this technology is to

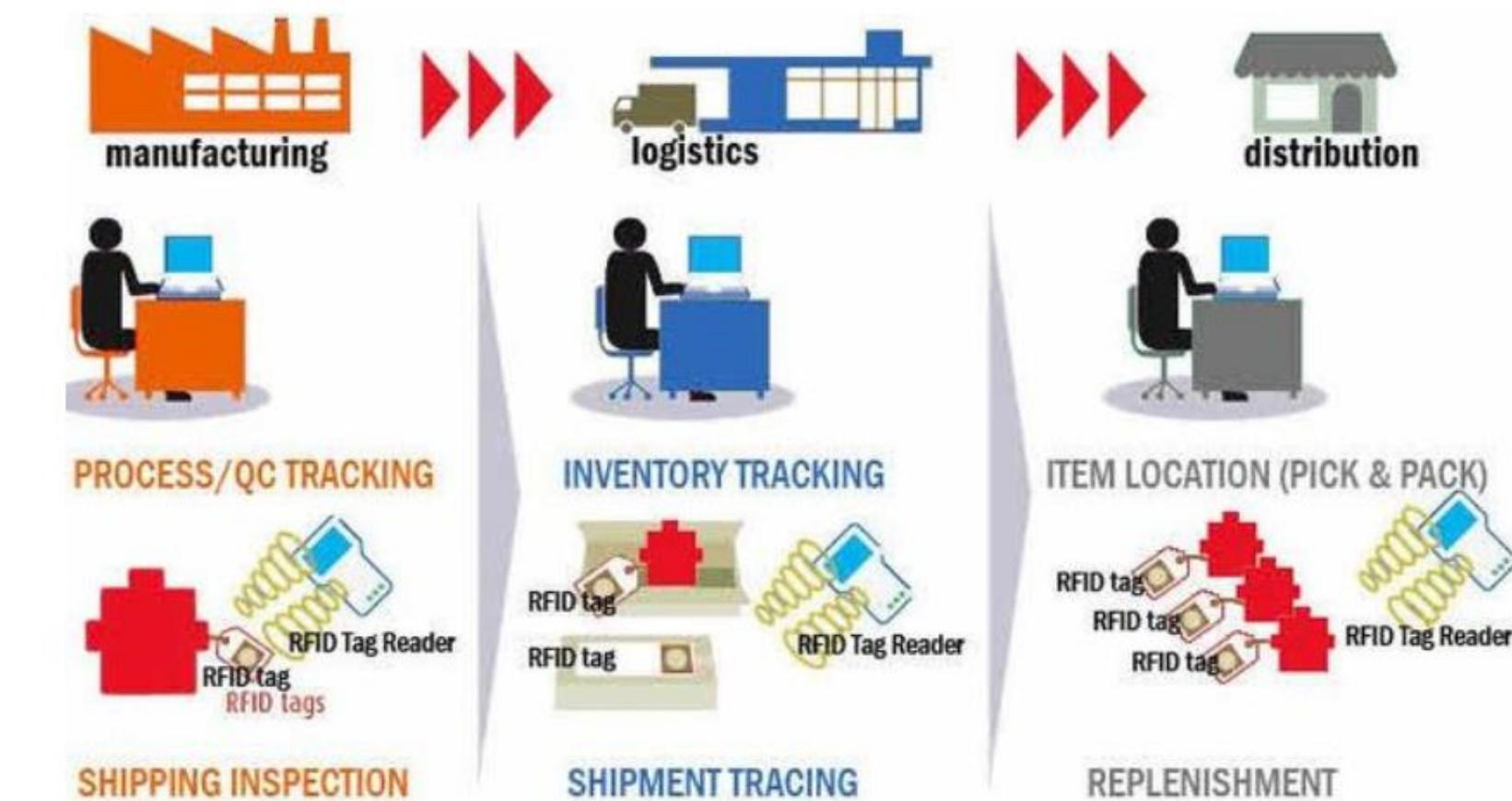
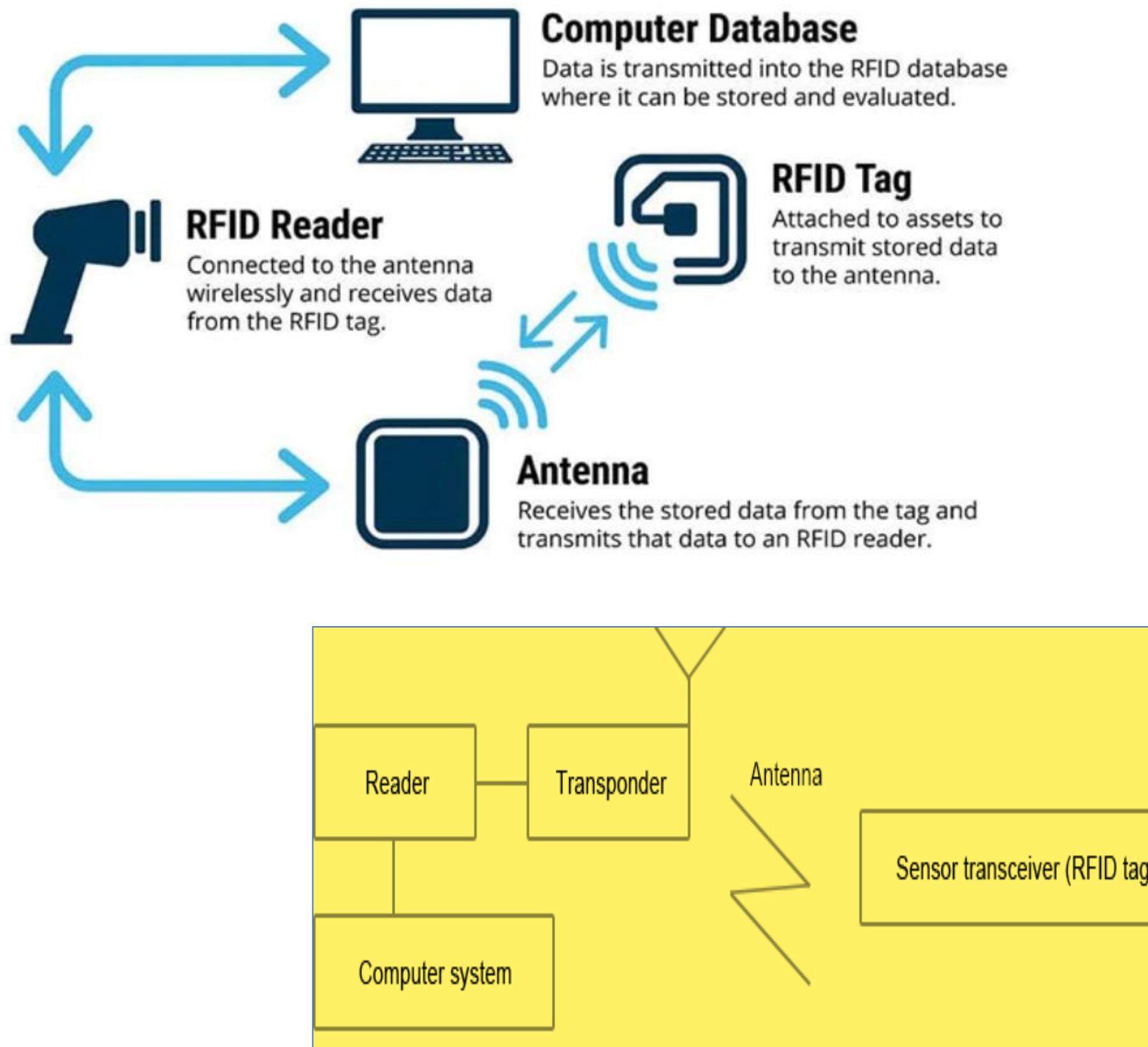
- Connect
- Communicate
- Control through internet

➤ This technology is an integration of internet and sensor network, via (Radio Frequency Identification) RFIDs devices

➤ If this technology involve the smart devices made-up of nanomaterials, it is called Internet of nanothings (IONTs)



It is a wireless, an electronic device/tag, which uses electromagnetic field to identify, track and connect with the objects attached with tags.



**1) Passive RFID Tag:** It is a RFID tag with no inbuilt power source (Battery) designed to use in small range (up to 10 m) tracking systems, operates on low, high or ultra-high frequency.

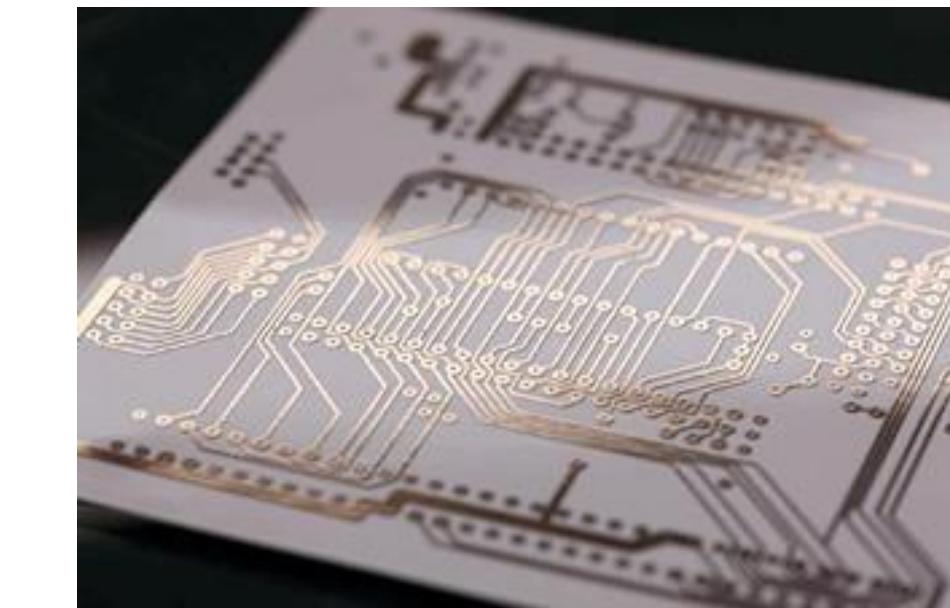
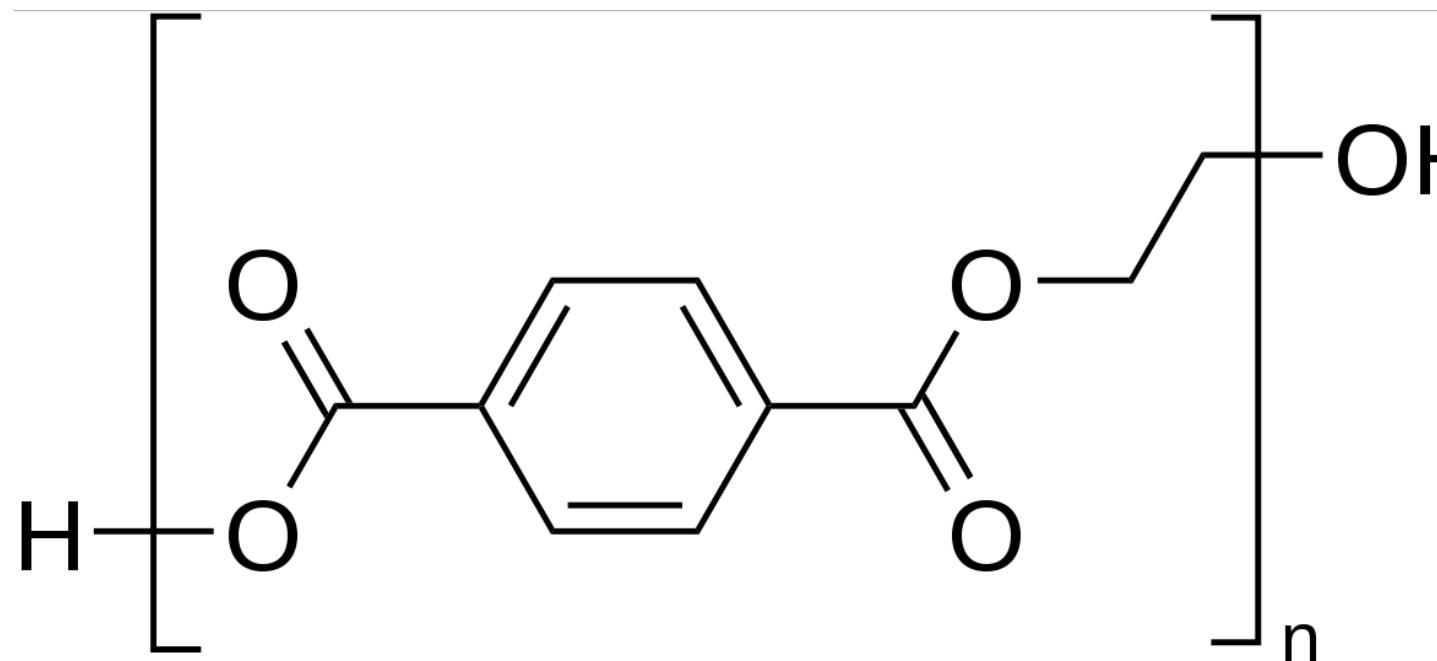
- It is very thin
- long service life.

**2) Active RFID Tag:** It has its own power source, such as battery, inbuilt. It is used for long scanning and reading range (up to 100 m), operates only at high frequency.

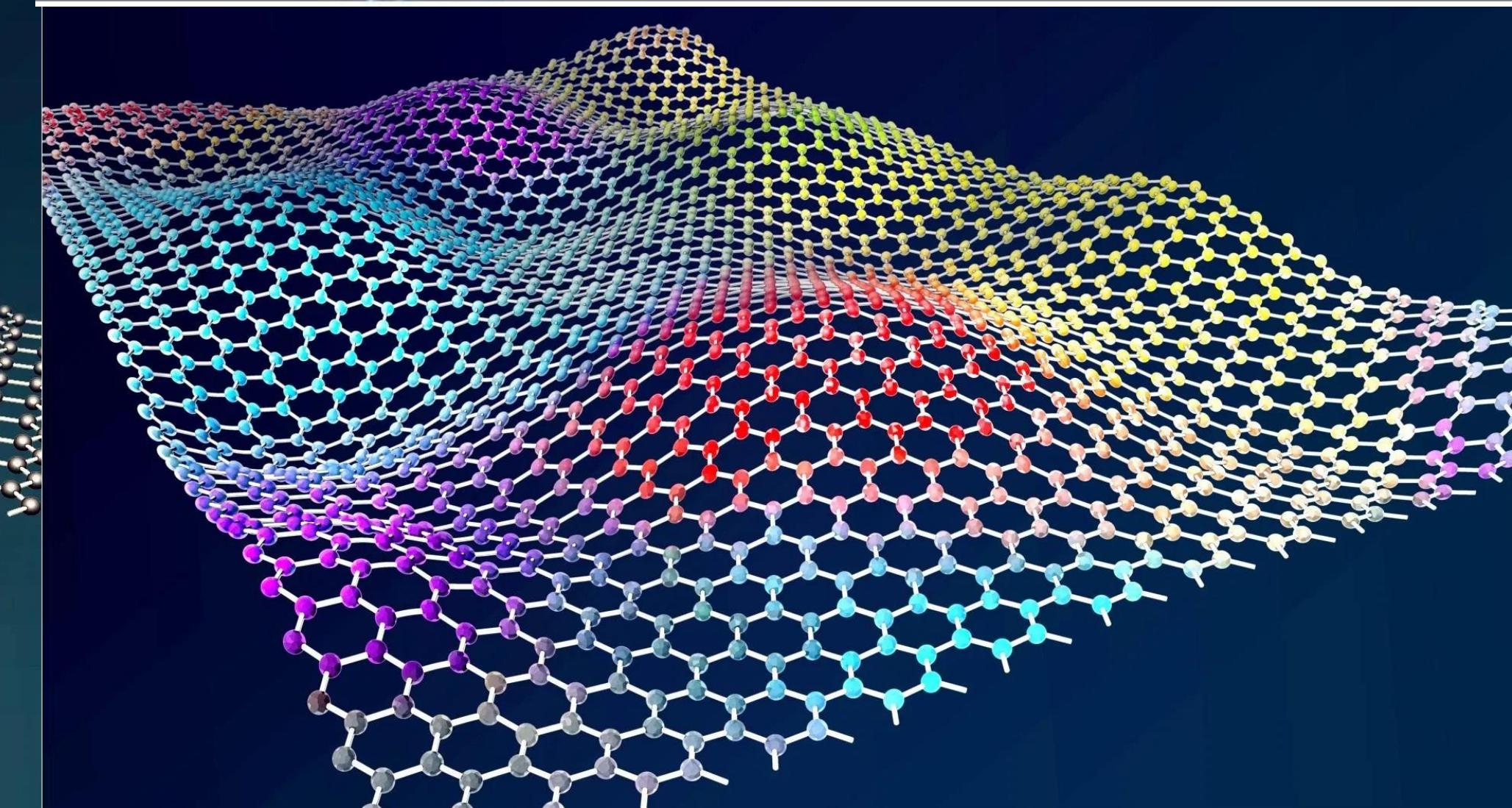
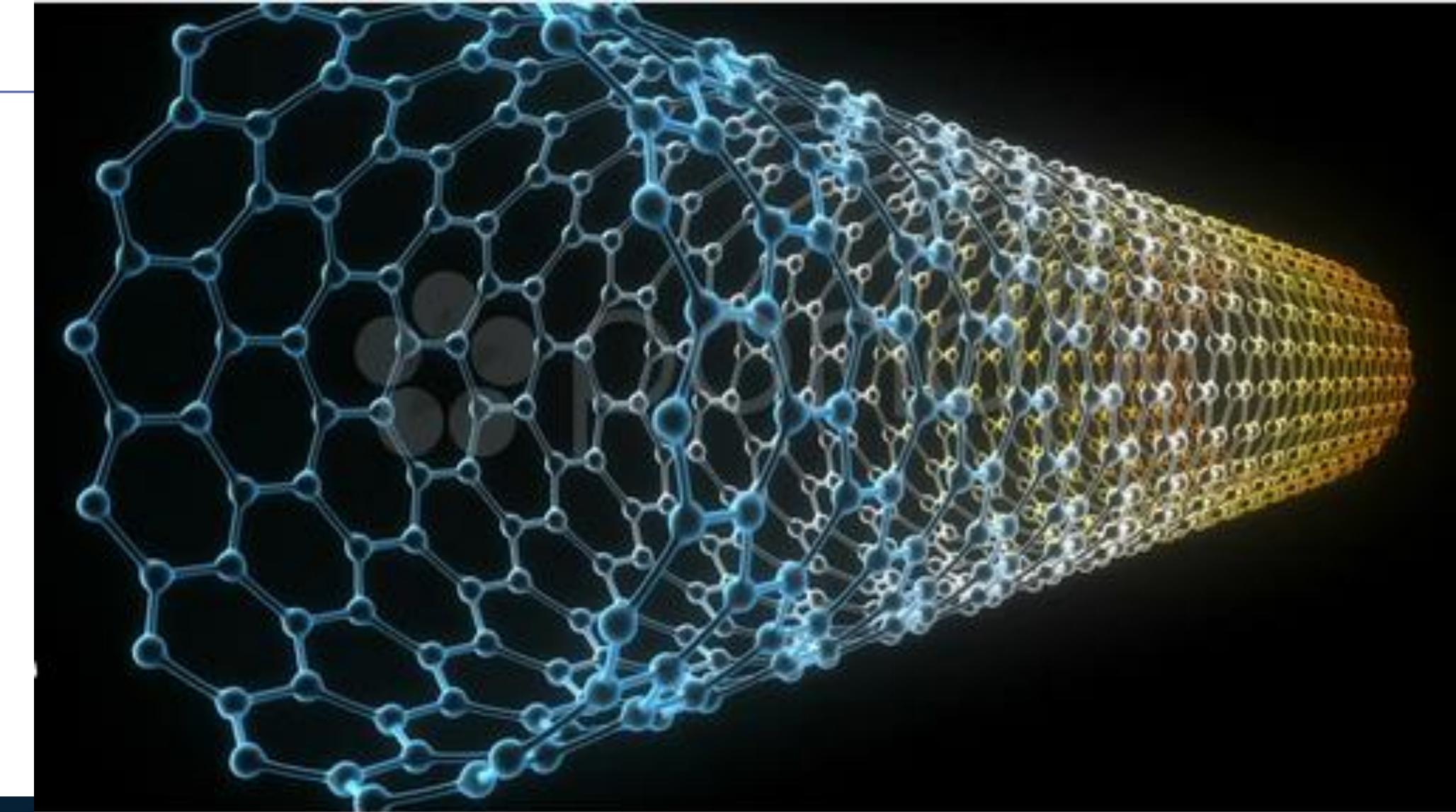
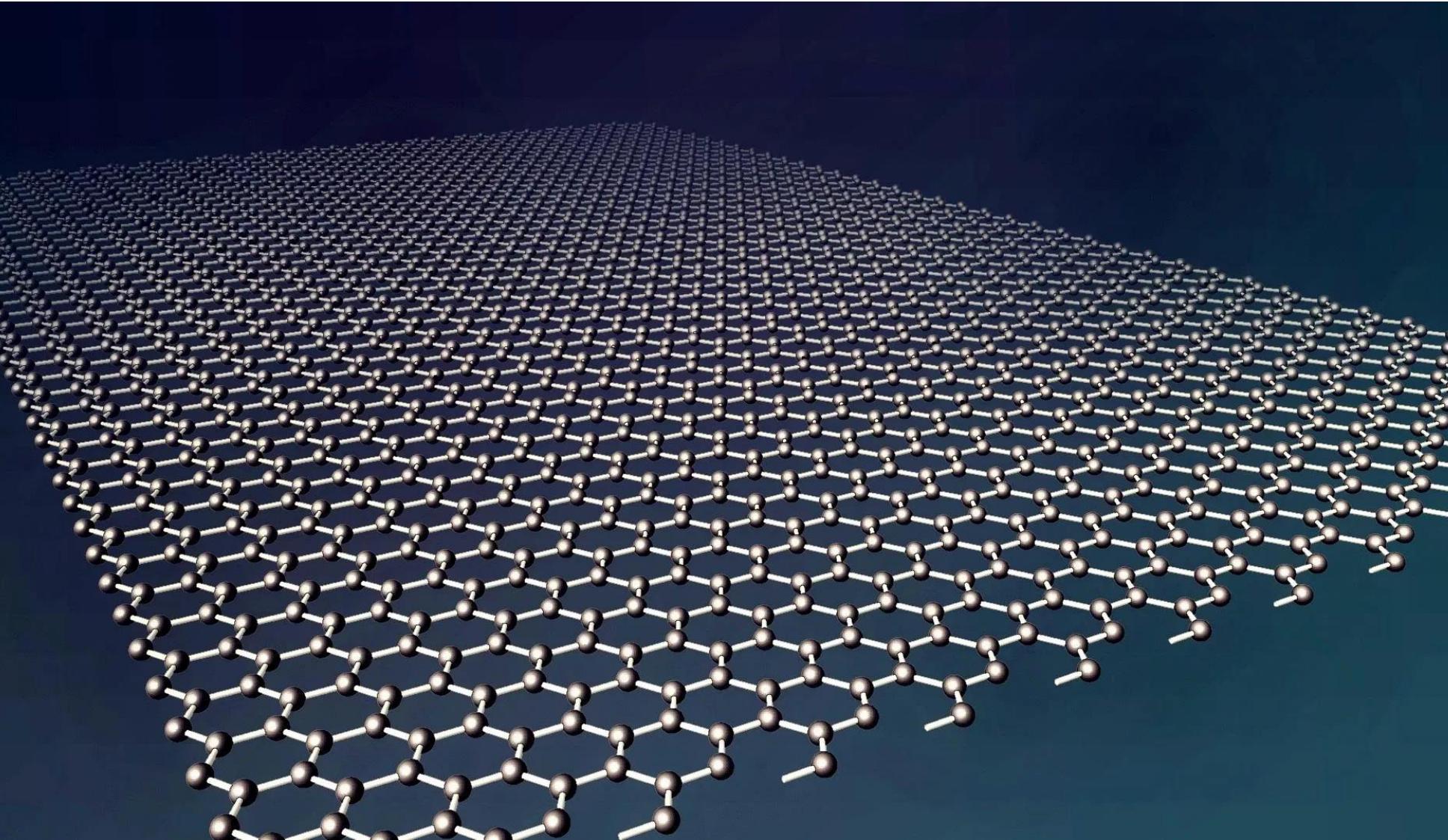
- The price is relatively high,
- Volume is larger than the Passive tag because of the built-in battery.

Types	Low-Frequency	High-Frequency	Ultra High-Frequency
Frequency Range	100~500 KHz	10~15 MHz	850~950 MHz~2.45 GHz
inductive distance	shorter	longer	longest
reading speed	slower	relatively high	fastest
penetration ability	good	Average	bad

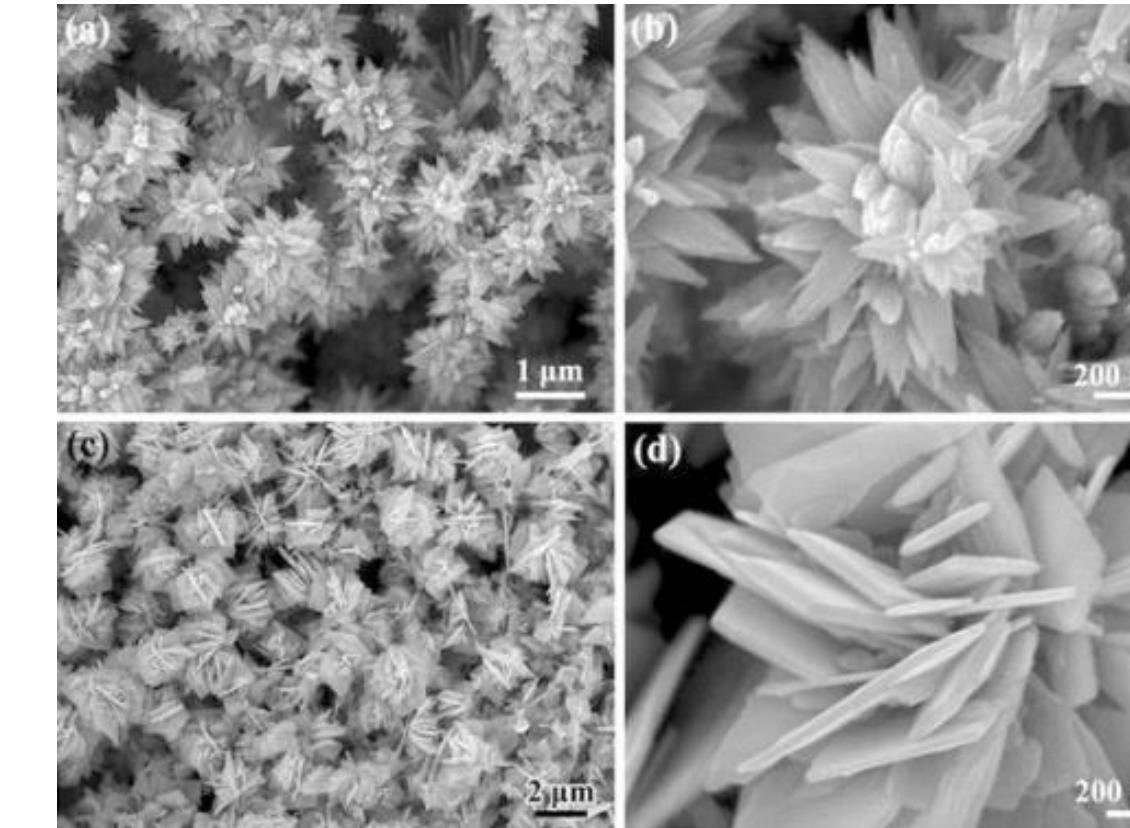
Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET)  
as substrate



# Carbon Nanomaterials for RFID



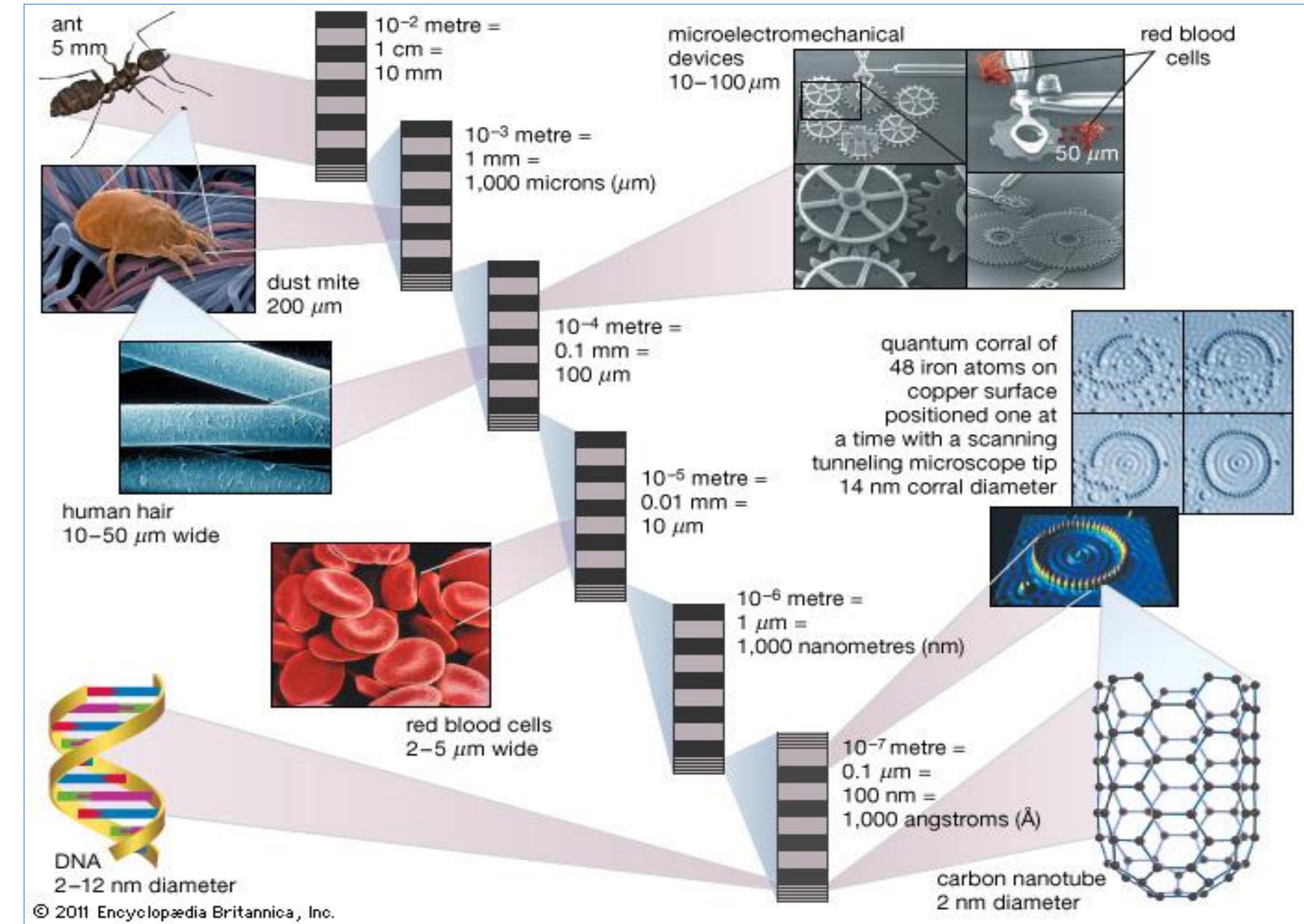
# Introduction to Nanomaterials/Science/Technology

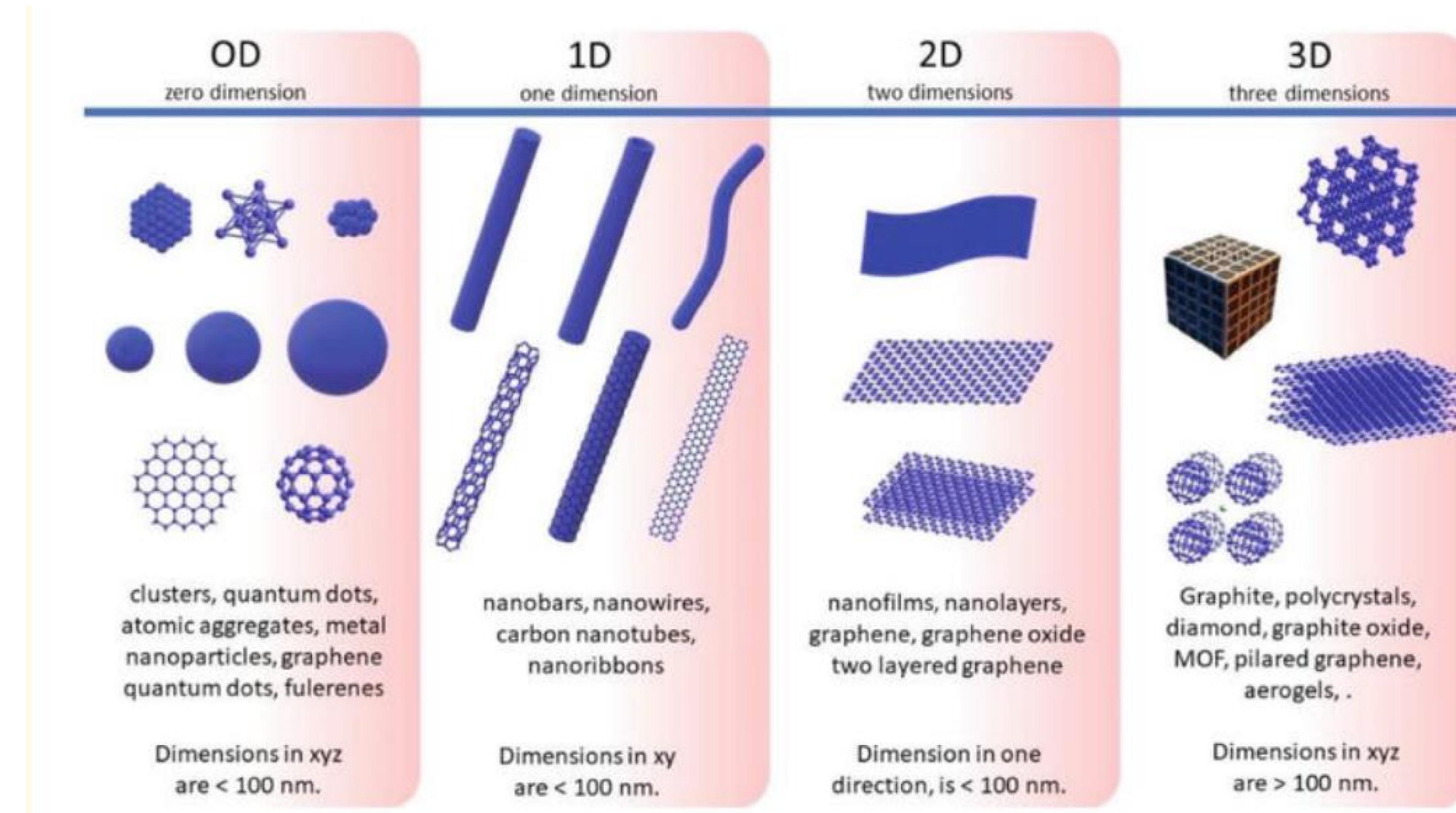


- ❖ **Nanomaterials** are commonly defined as materials with an average grain size less than 100 nanometers.
- ❖ The word "**nano**" originates from the Greek word "nanos" which means "dwarf". However, in scientific language it is a prefix which has a value equal to "one billionth, i.e.  $10^{-9}$ ".
- ❖ Therefore, one nanometer is **one billionth of a meter** ( $1 \text{ nm} = 10^{-9} \text{ m}$ ). 8

## **Nano-dimension comparison**

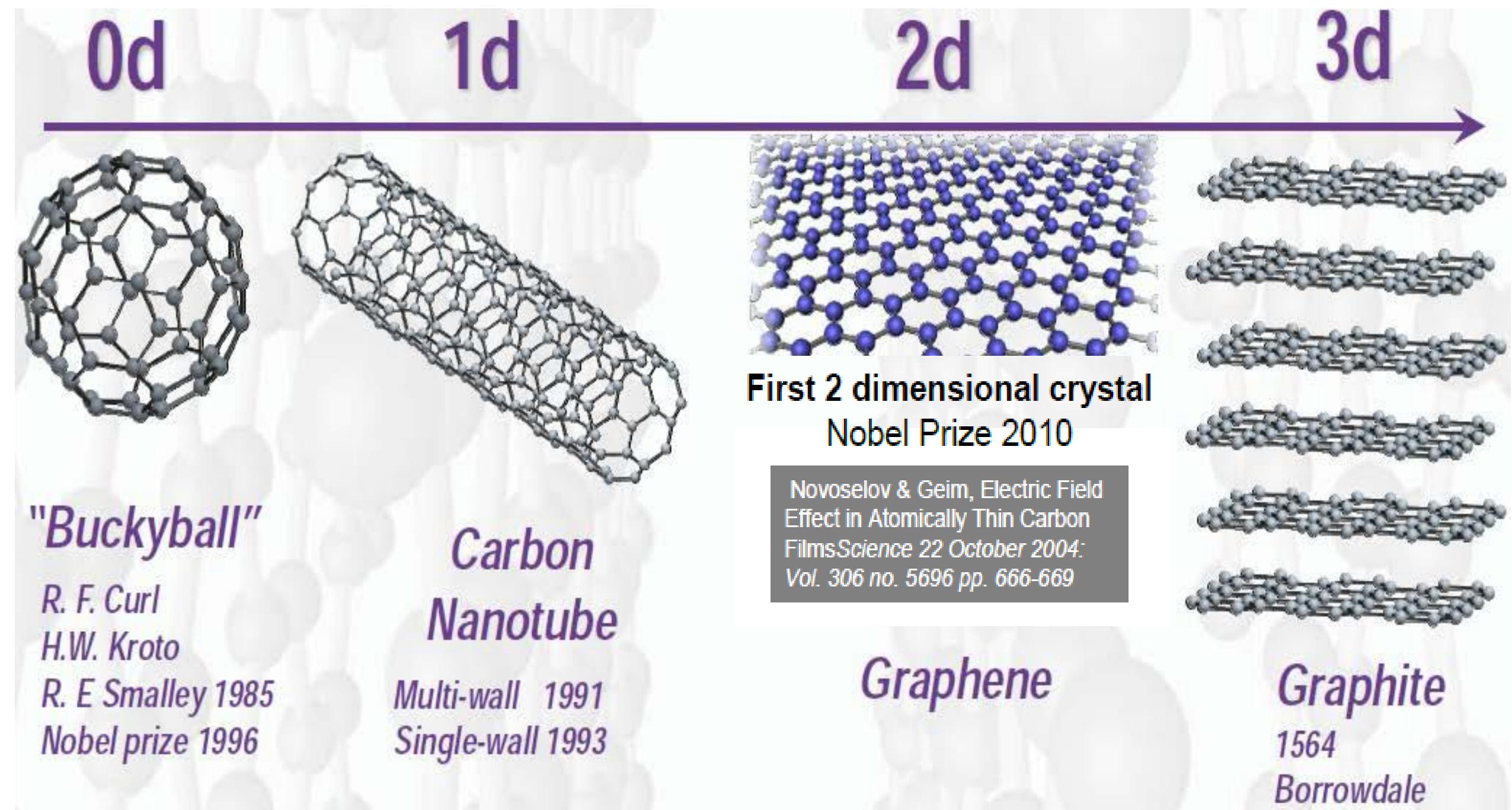
- 1.Diameter of a hydrogen atom is about 0.1 nm. If ten hydrogen atoms are aligned in a line, then the resulting length would be approximately 1 nm. Similarly, 1 nm is approximately 5 silicon atoms aligned in a line.
- 2.A single strand of human hair is around 20,000 nm in diameter. A nanometer is one millionth of a millimeter - approximately 100,000 times smaller than the diameter of a human hair.
- 3.Size of a DNA molecule is about 2.5 nm.





# Carbon nanotubes

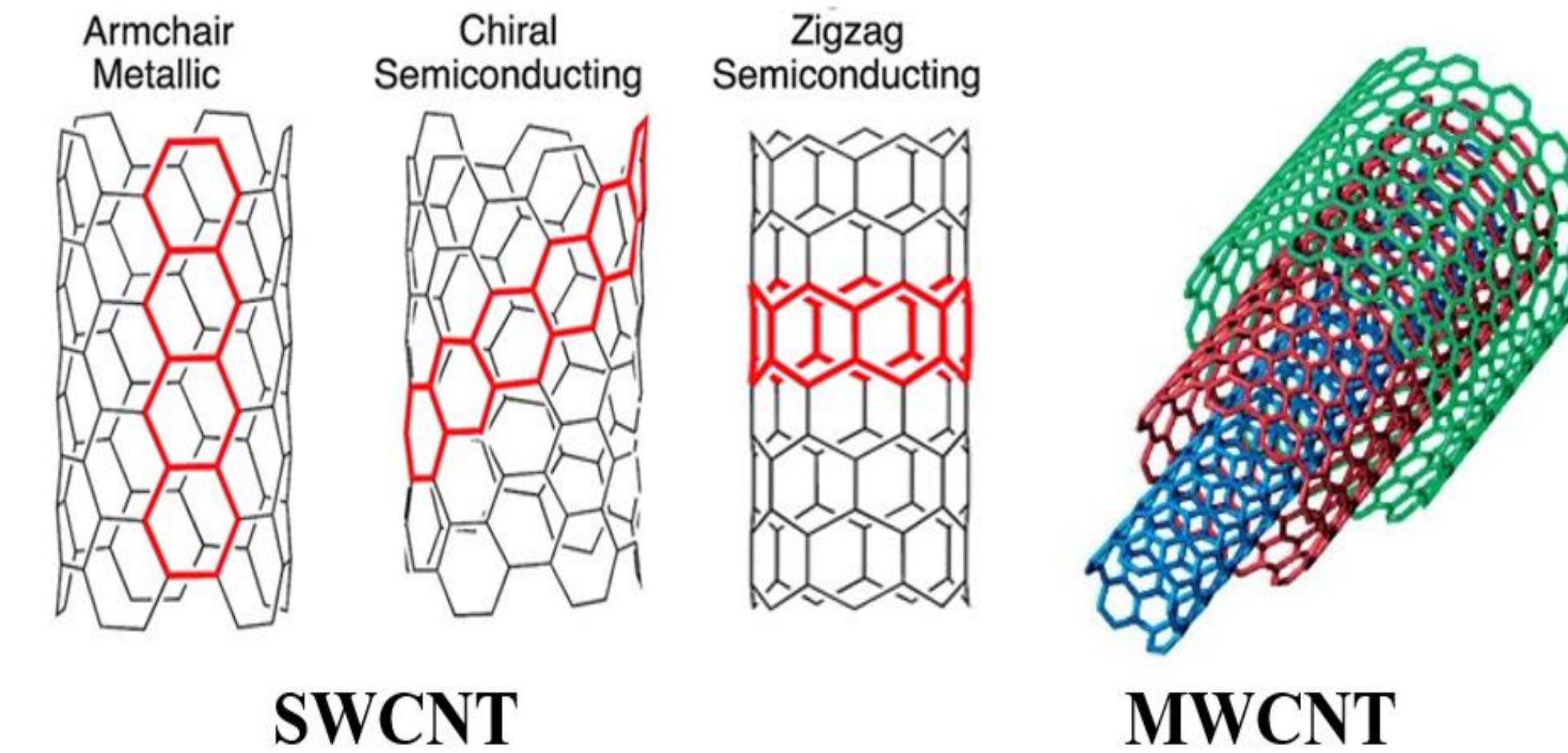
Carbon is an incredibly versatile element. Depending on how atoms are arranged, it can produce hard diamonds or soft graphite. Carbon materials can exist in various dimensions.



**Carbon nanotubes** are a new form of a hexagonal network of carbon atoms rolled up in the form of cylindrical shape.

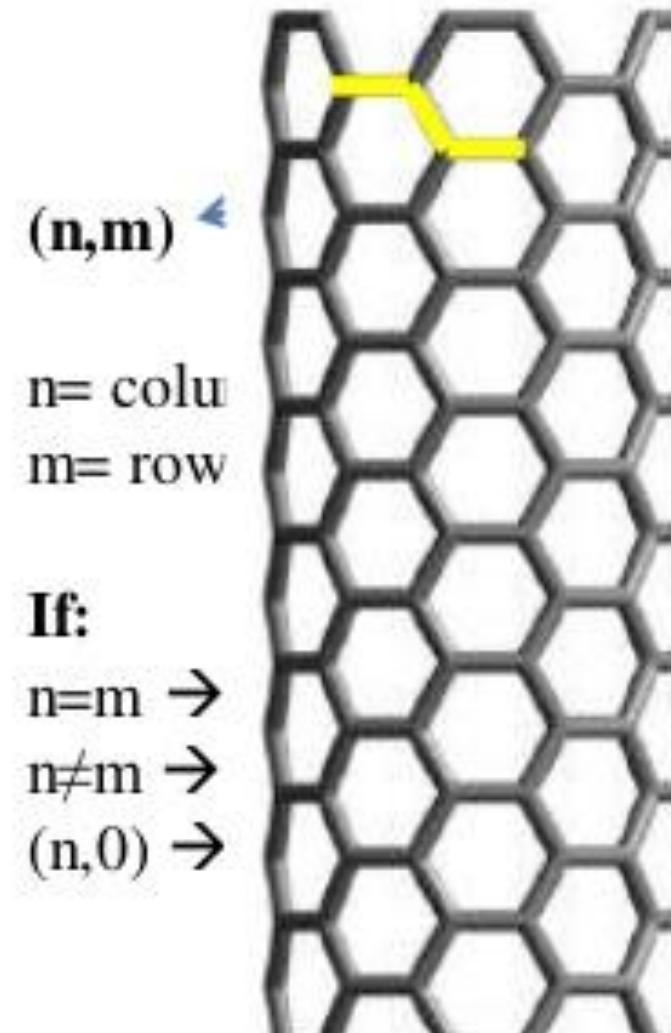
## Types of CNTs

1. **Single-Wall Nanotube (SWNT) (Arm Chair, Zig-Zag and Chiral)**
2. **Multi-Walled Nanotubes (MWNT)**



## CNT types

*Based on symmetry*



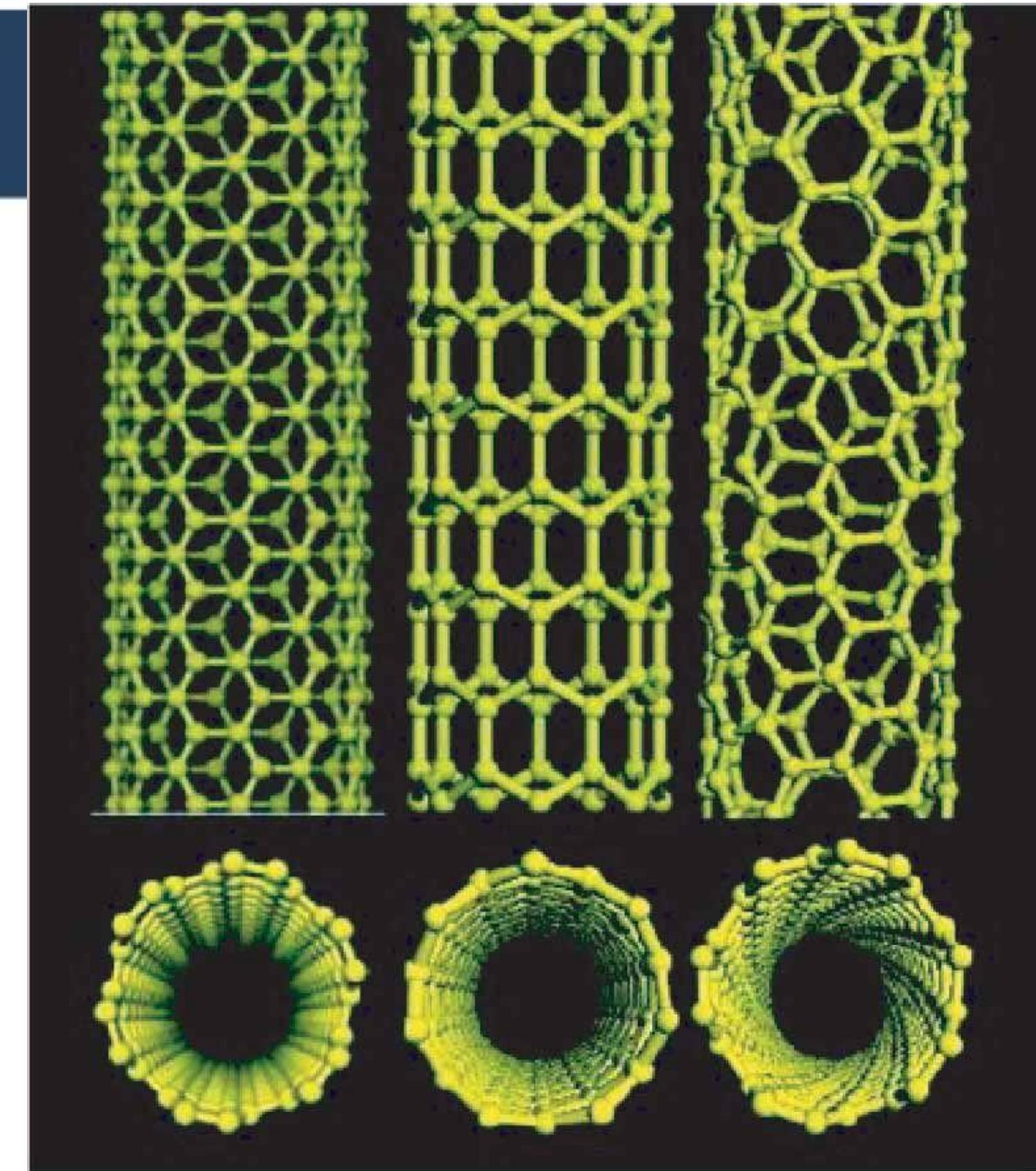
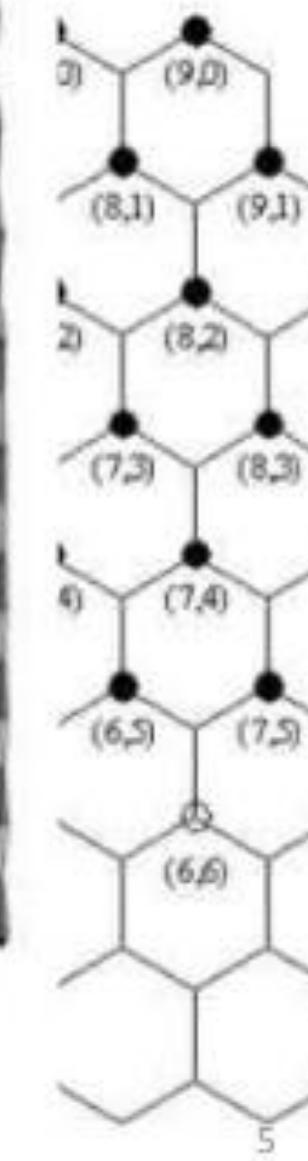
armchair



zigzag

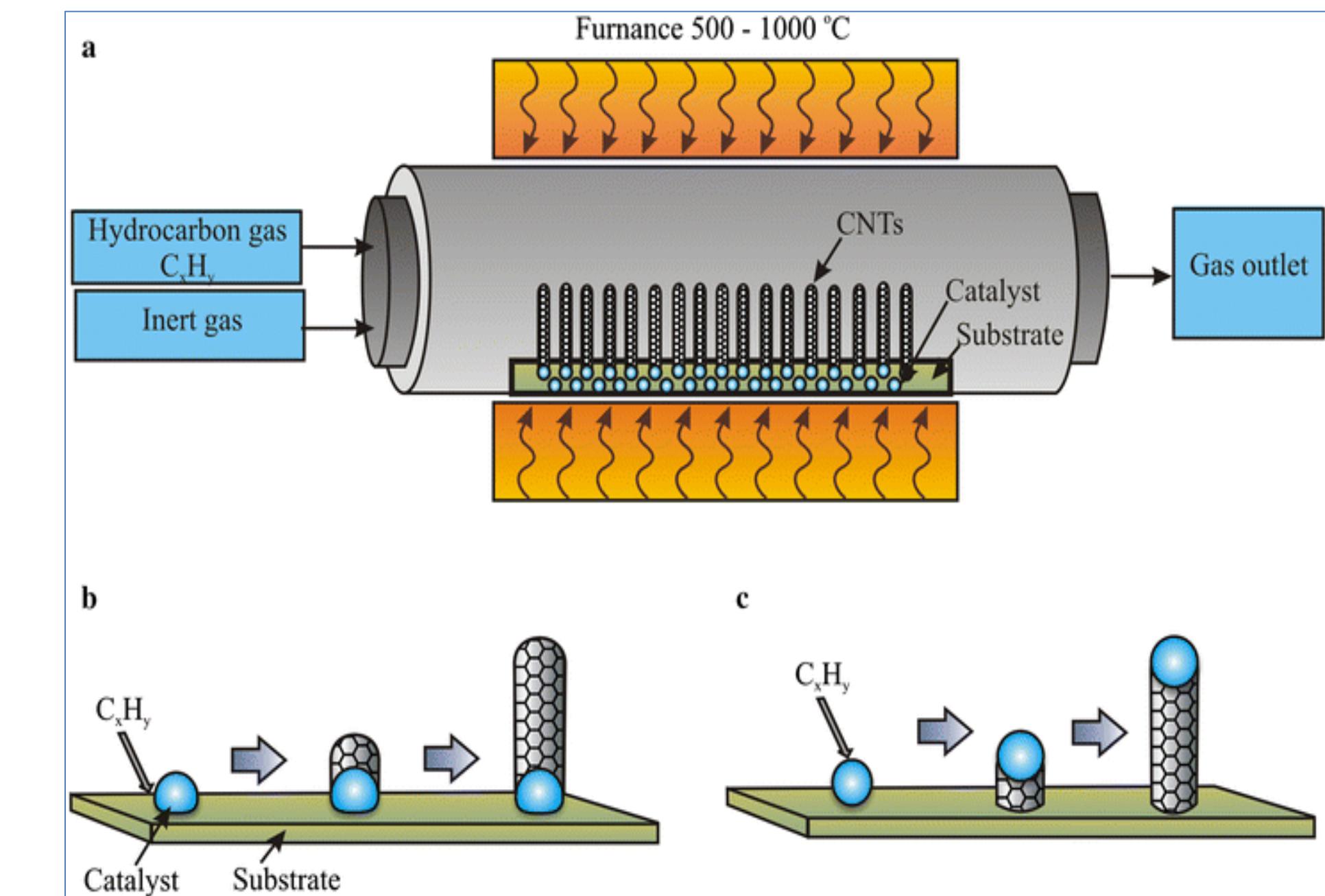


chiral

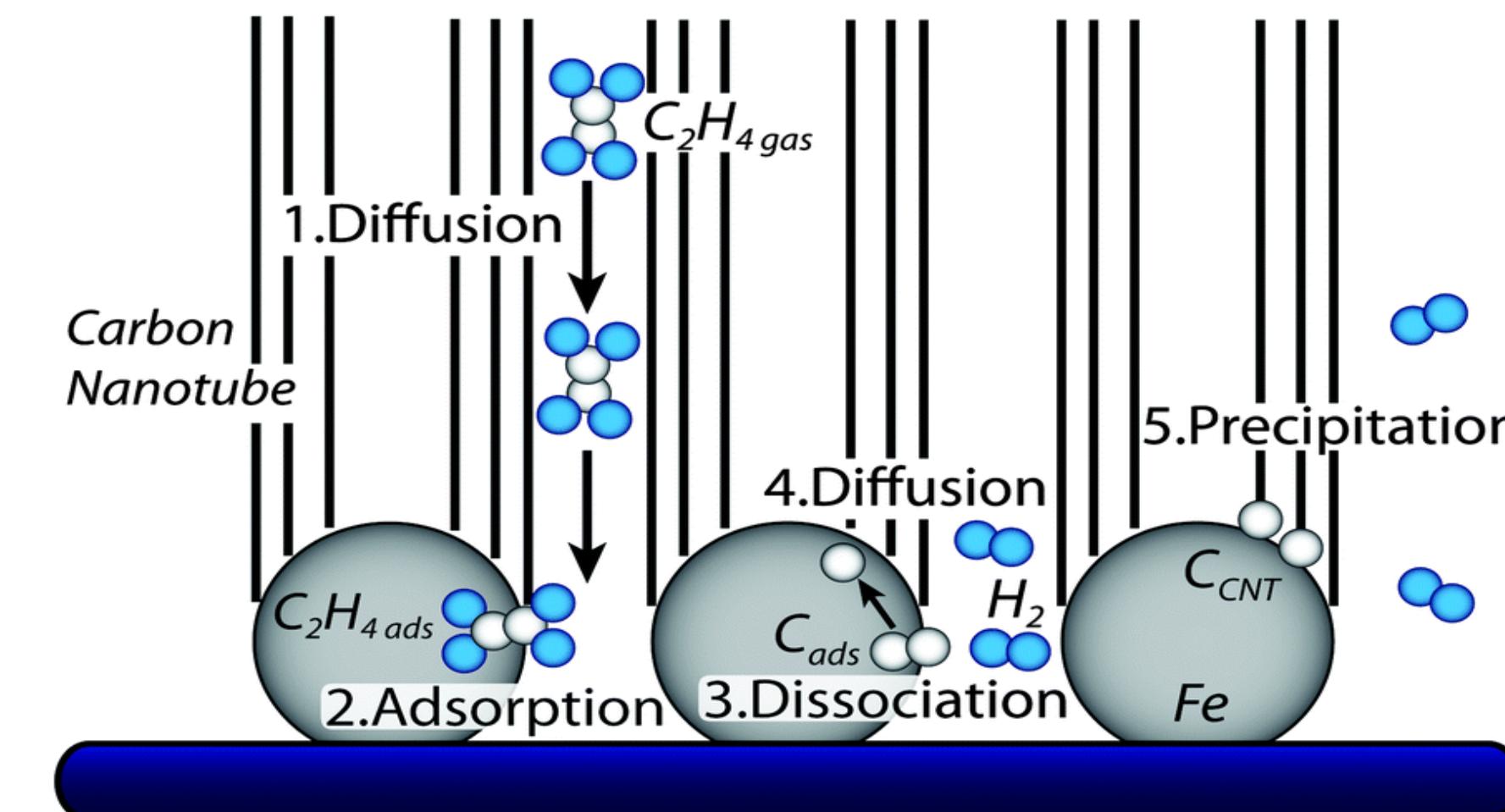


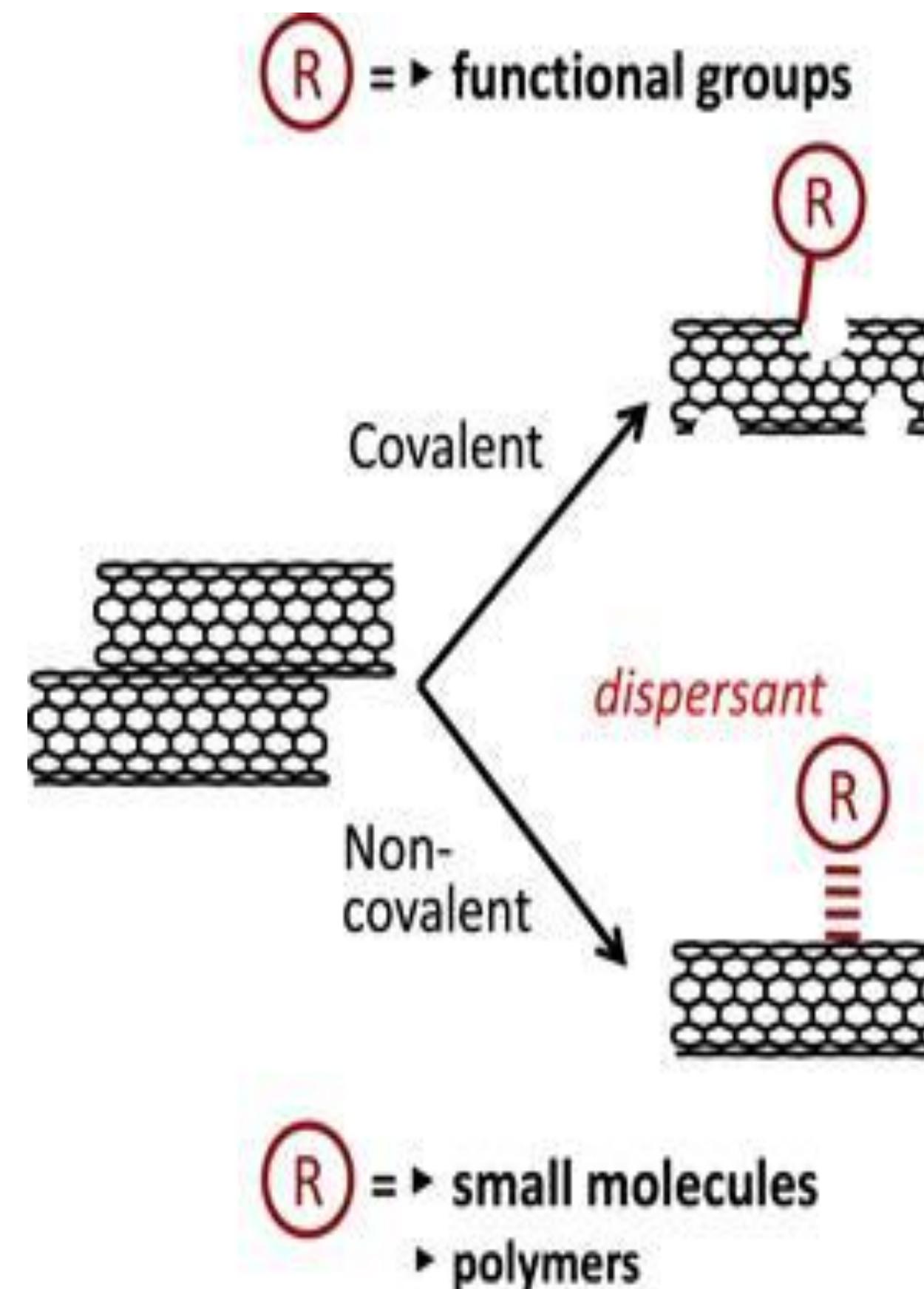
## Chemical Vapor Deposition: Requirements:

- High Temperature Tubular furnace (500 to 1500 °C)
- Source of Carbon: Methane, ethylene, hydrocarbon gas, xylene, natural gas
- Substrate: carbon, quartz, silicon
- Inert gas: Argon, Hydrogen, Nitrogen
- Catalyst: Ferrocene, Nickellocene, Cobaltocene



- 1. Diffusion** of Hydrocarbon gas
- 2. Adsorption** of Hydrocarbon gas on the surface active site of catalyst particles.
- 3. Dissociation** (Homolytic fission) of Hydrocarbon in to highly reactive free radicals of 'C' and 'H'.
4. Repetition of steps 1, 2 and 3 leading to increase in concentration (saturation) of free radicals.
- 5. Precipitation** (aggregation) of carbon free radicals results into crystal growth in the form tube on the surface. 'H' free radicals escape as  $H_2$  gas.



**advantage**

- high dispersion stability

**disadvantage**

- loss of inherent properties
- structural damage,
- shortening

**advantage**

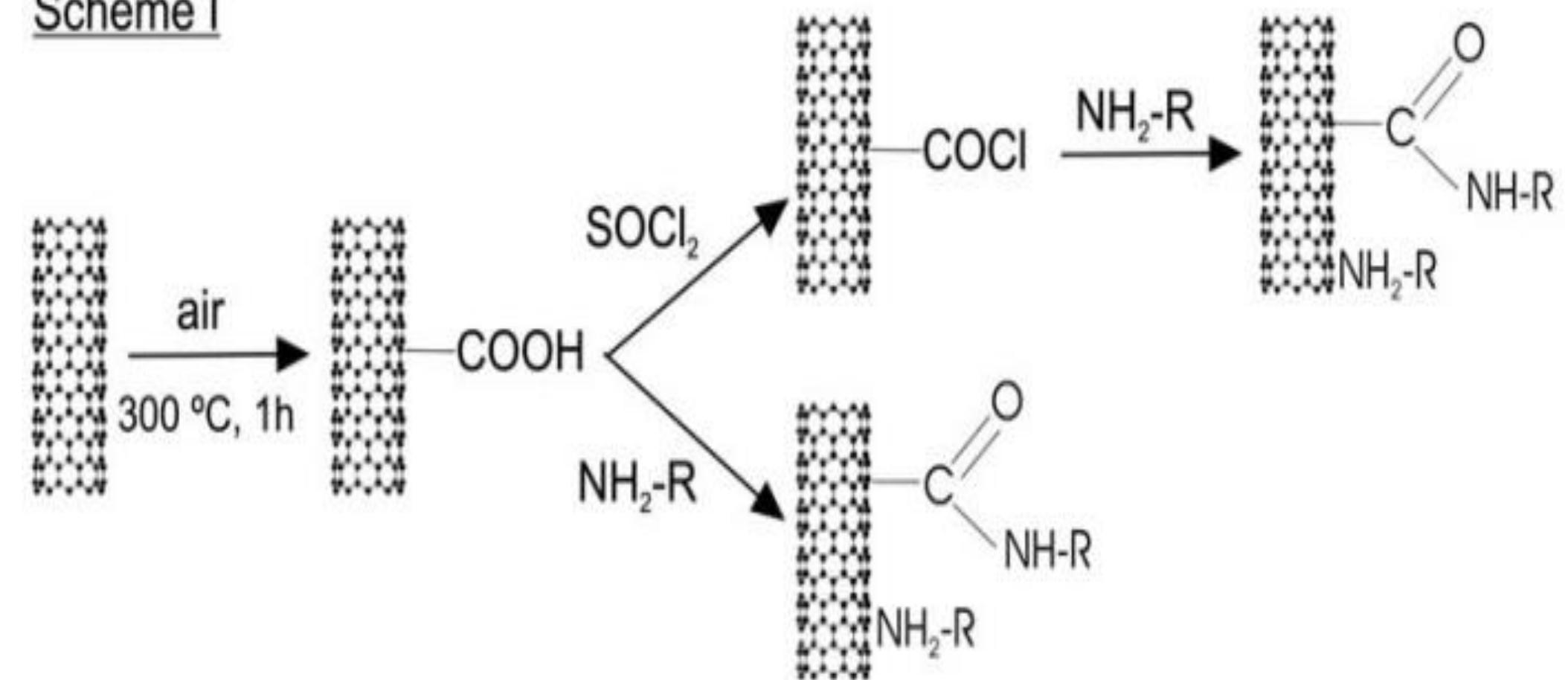
- easy procedure
- minimum damage

**disadvantage**

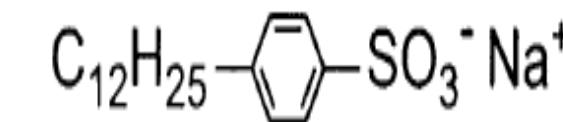
- weak coating stability

## Chemical (covalent) functionalization

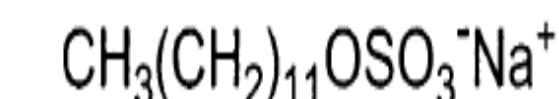
Scheme I



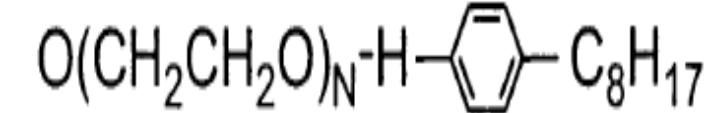
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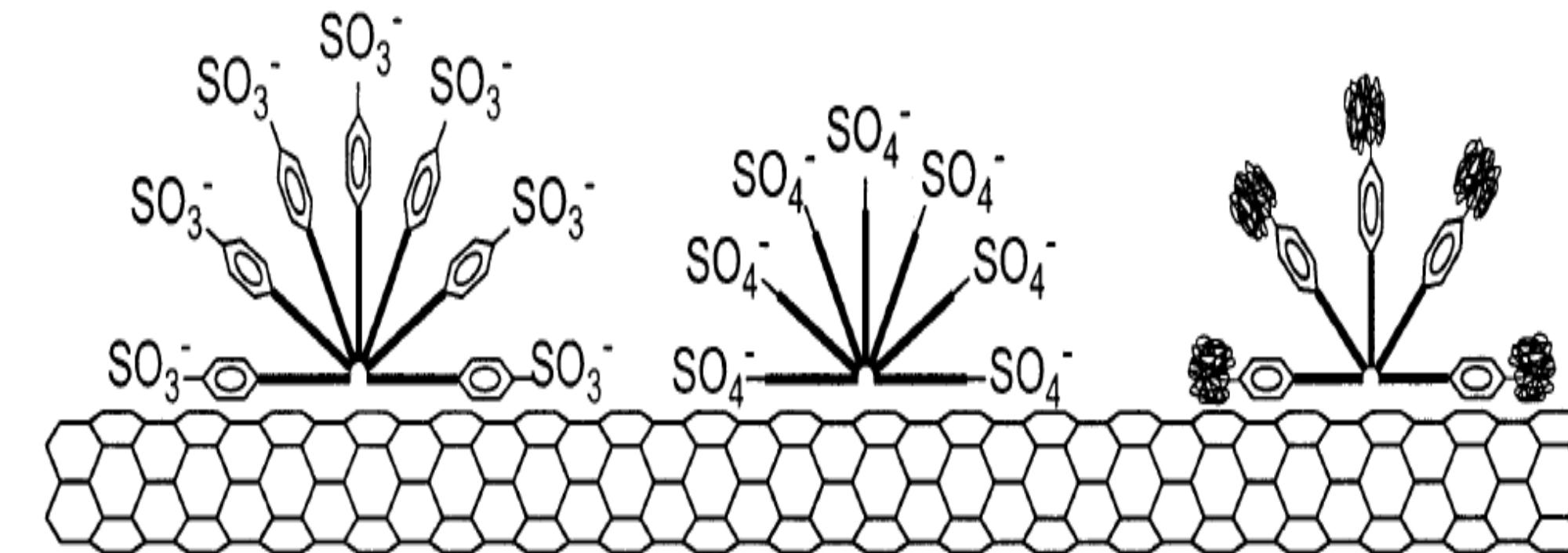
SDS



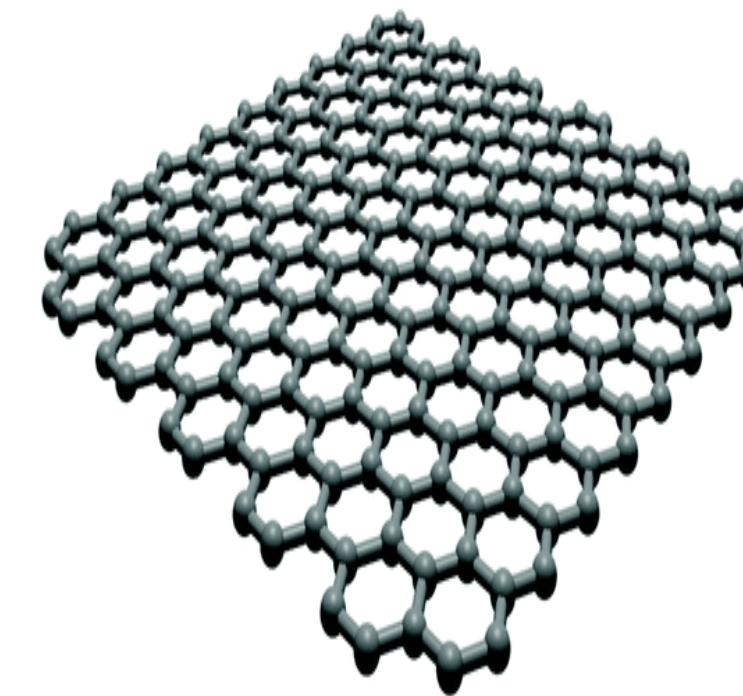
Triton X-100



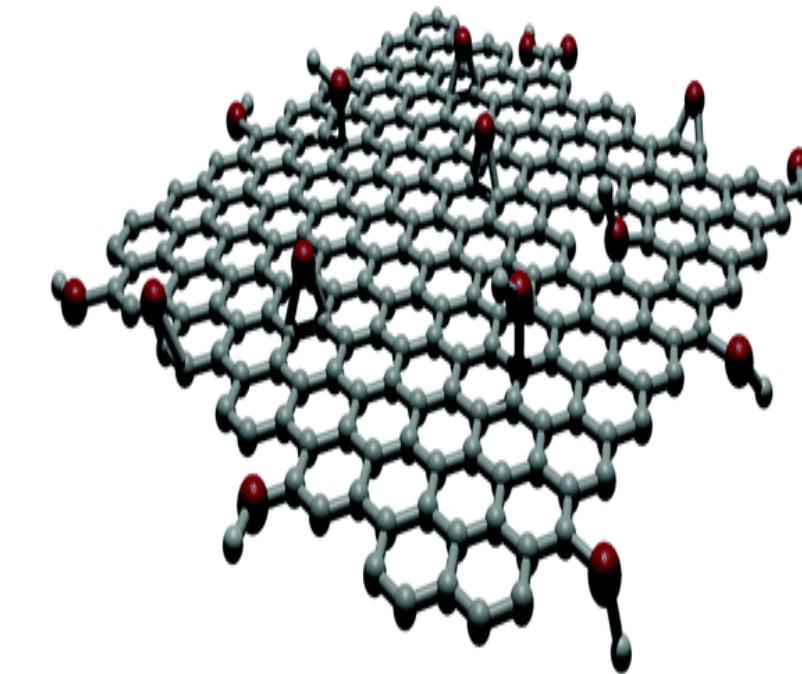
N=approx. 9.5



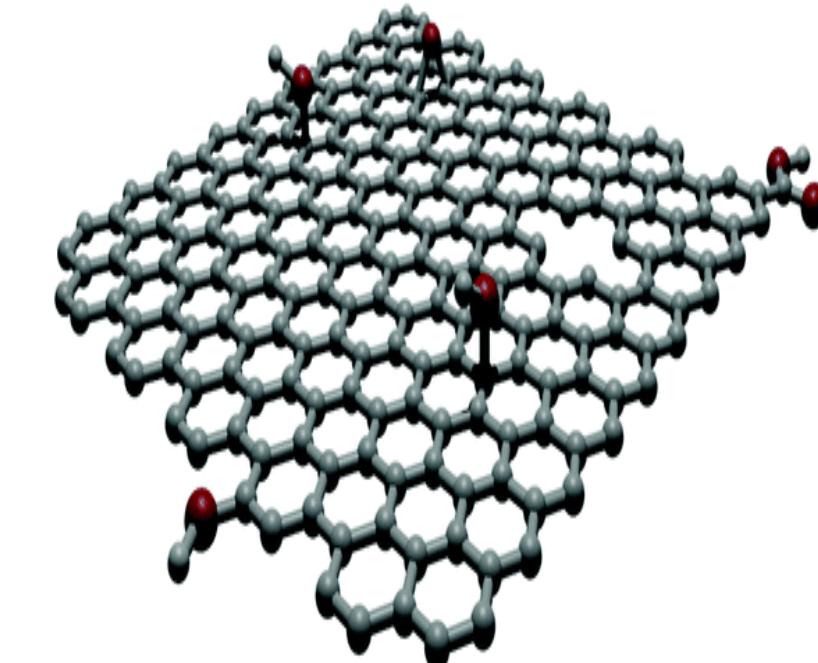
- RFIDs, Sensors, IoTs sensors
- Optoelectronic devices (Field Emission Display ( FED))
- As *electrodes in batteries, capacitors and super capacitor electrodes.*
- As *electrode catalyst supports in Polymer Electrolyte Membrane (PEM) fuel cells*
- *Hydrogen Storage material in hydrogen fuel car.*
- As *electrically powered artificial muscles.*
- Electro catalyst for water splitting,  $H_2$  production.
- Adsorbent and photocatalyst for organic pollutants degradation.
- Sensor for heavy metal ion, gases, volatile organic compounds and biomolecules.
- Drug carriers



Graphene



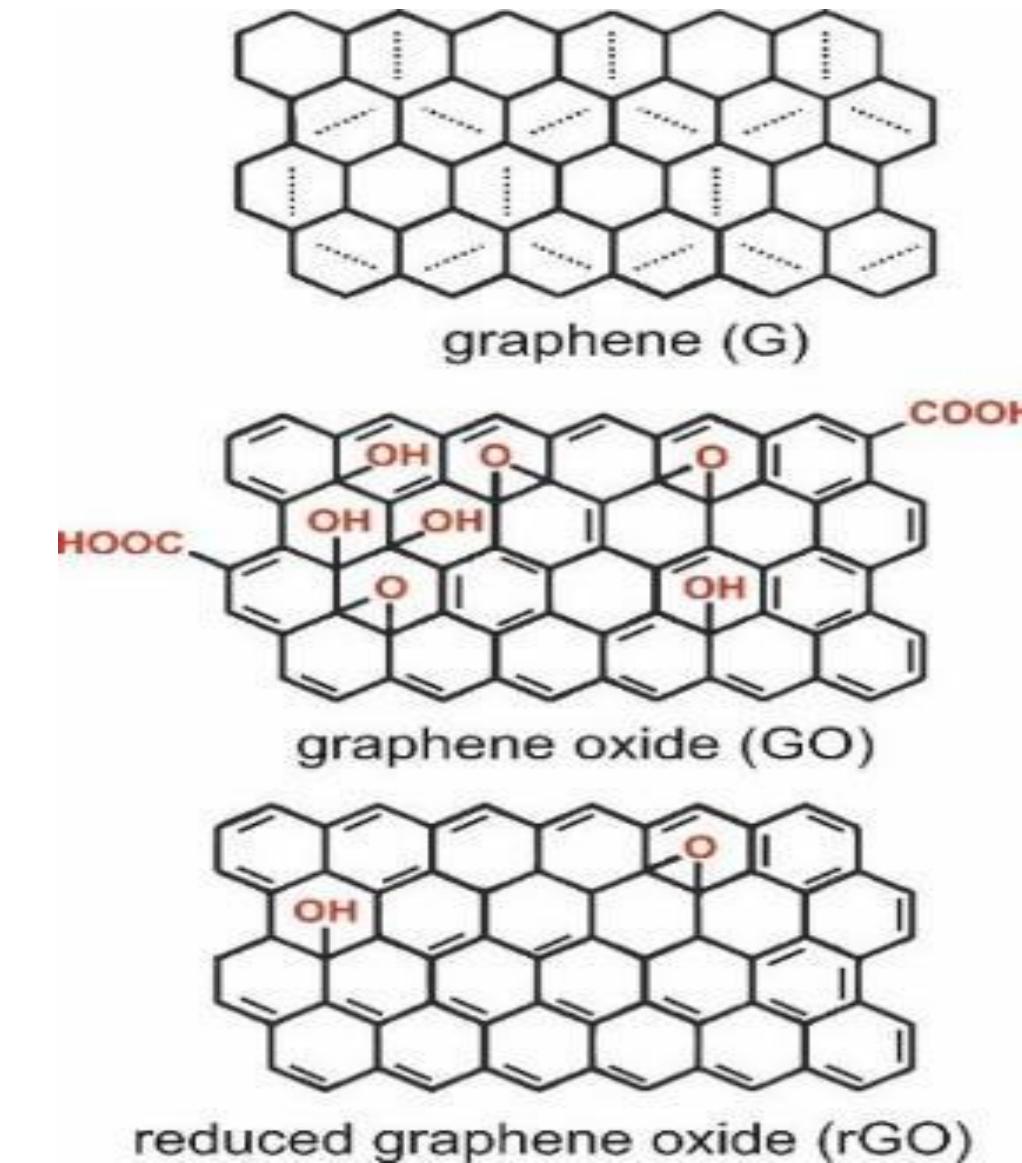
Graphene Oxide



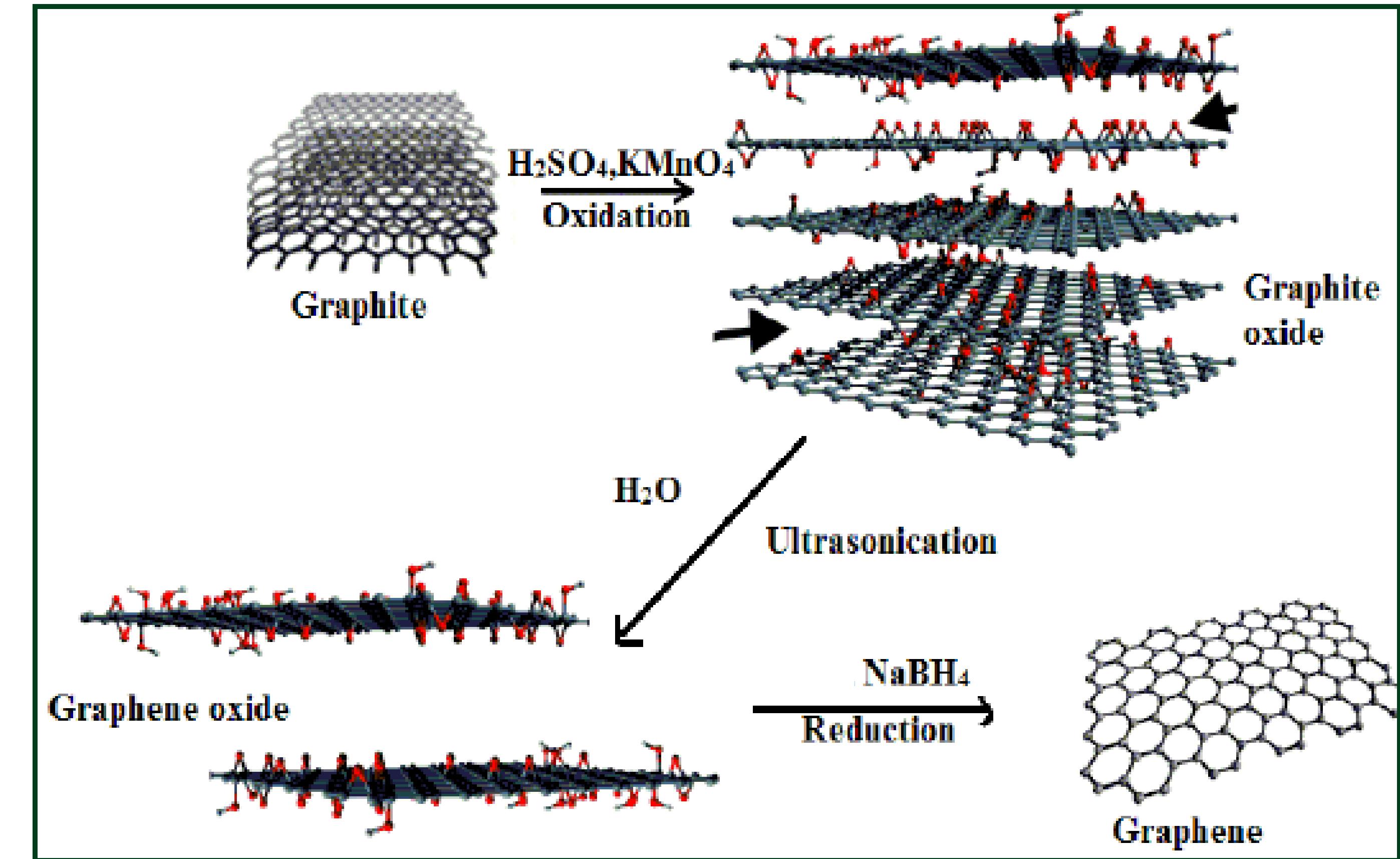
Reduced Graphene Oxide

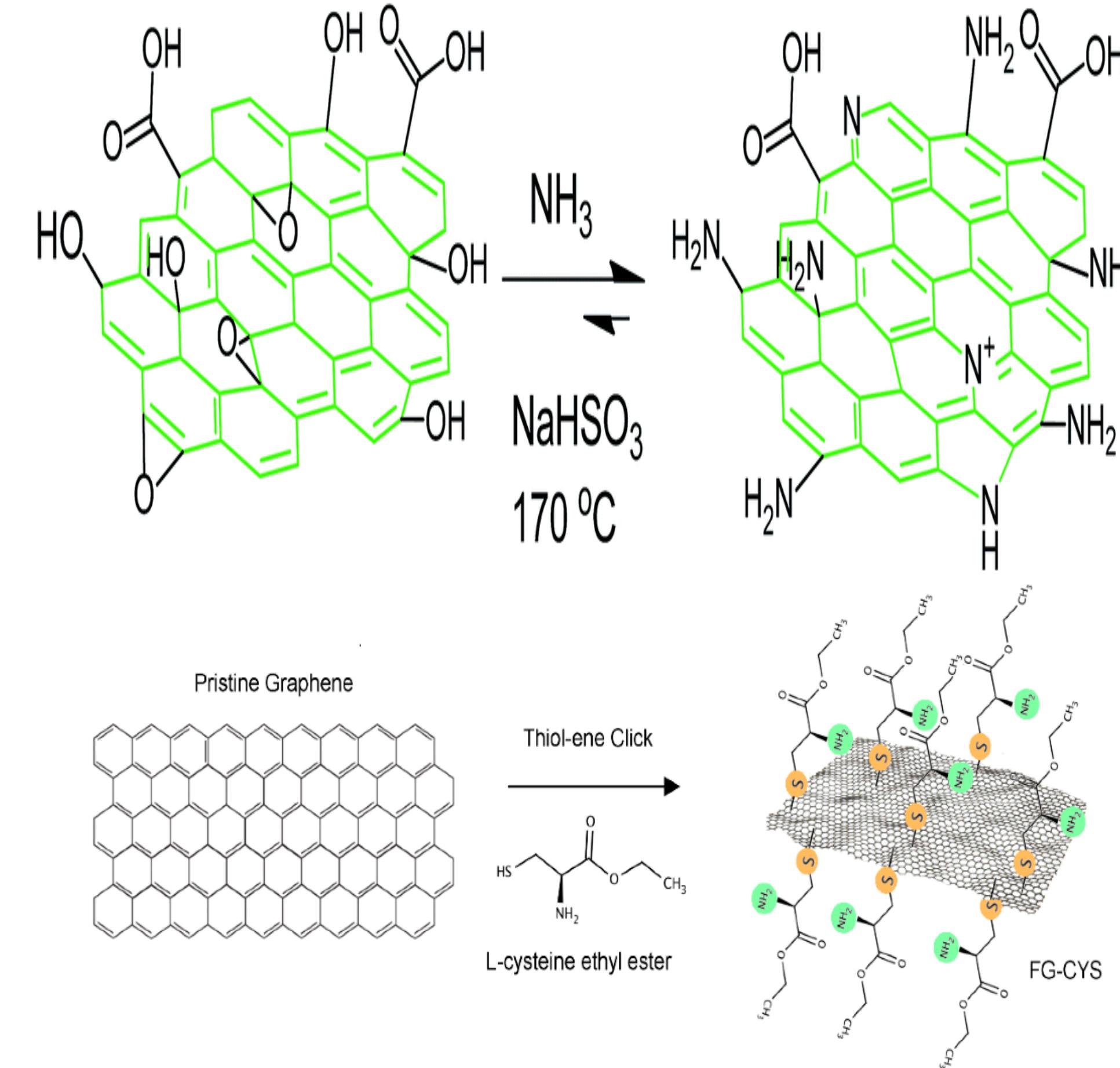
- Graphene is a newly found allotrope of carbon, consisting of single layer atoms in hexagon pattern.
- It is a purely carbon-based, honeycomb-structured, one-atom thick layer of carbon atoms (two dimensional sheet), bonded to one another by sp<sup>2</sup> hybridization.

## Modified Hummer's Method



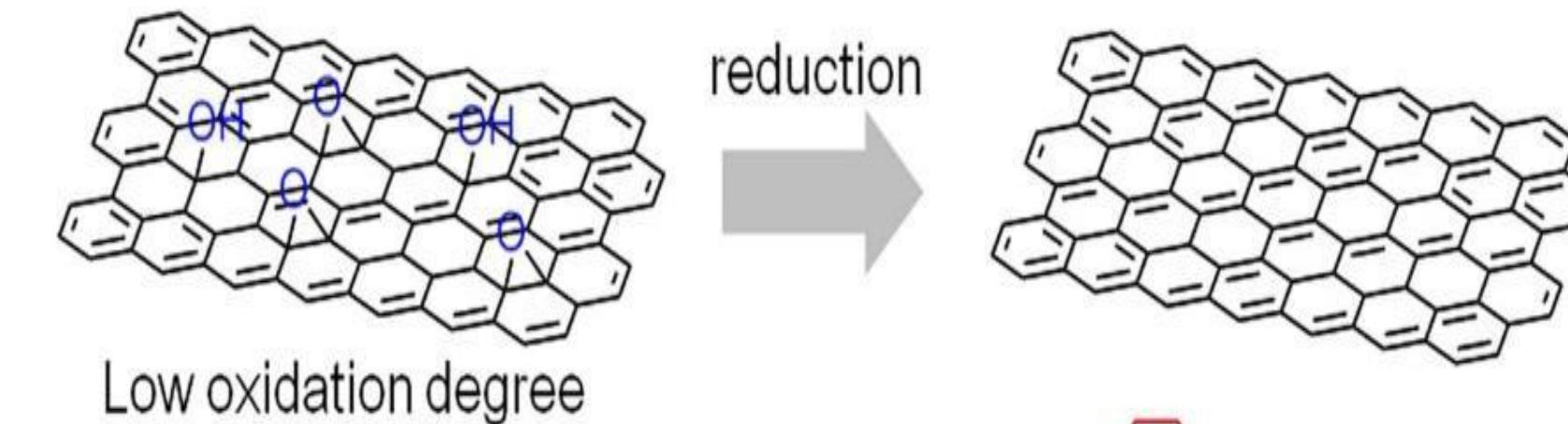
## Synthesis of Graphene Oxide and Reduced Graphene Oxide (rGO) Modified Hummer's Method



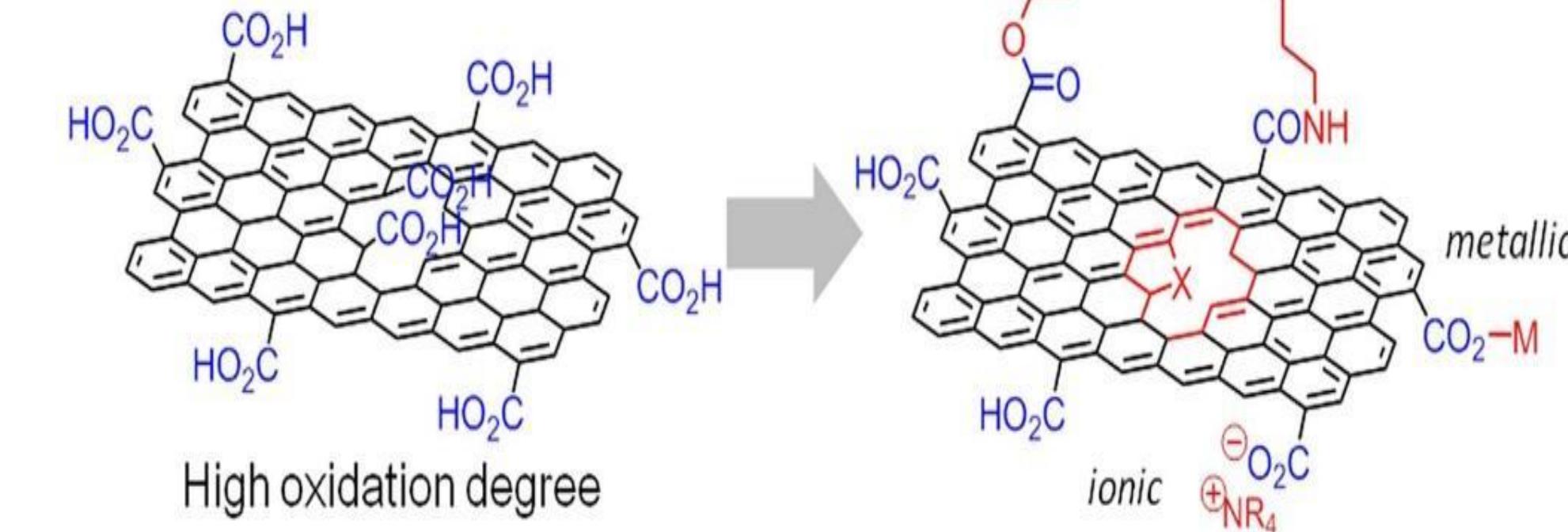


The graphene oxide can be functionalized with cysteine and thiolene

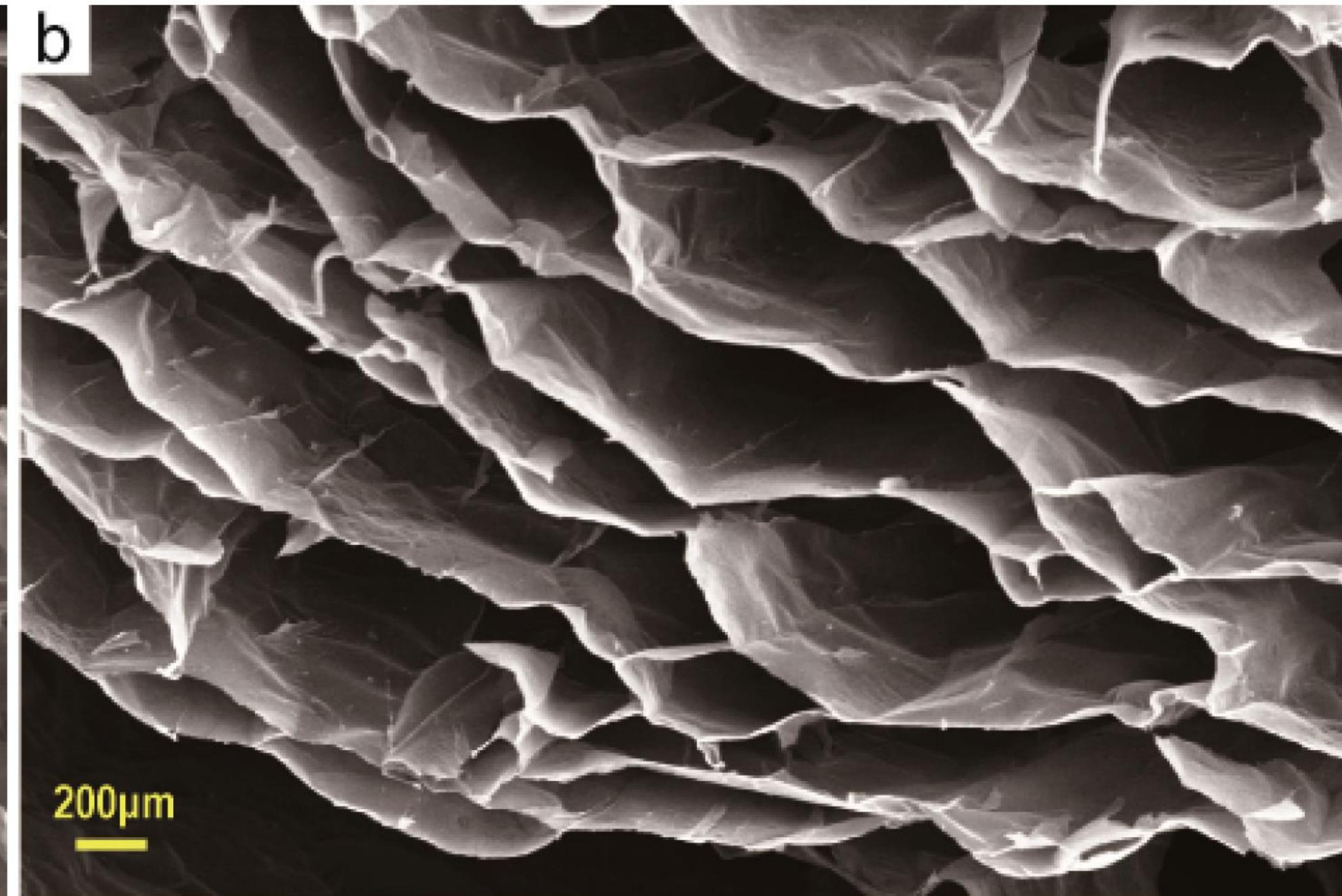
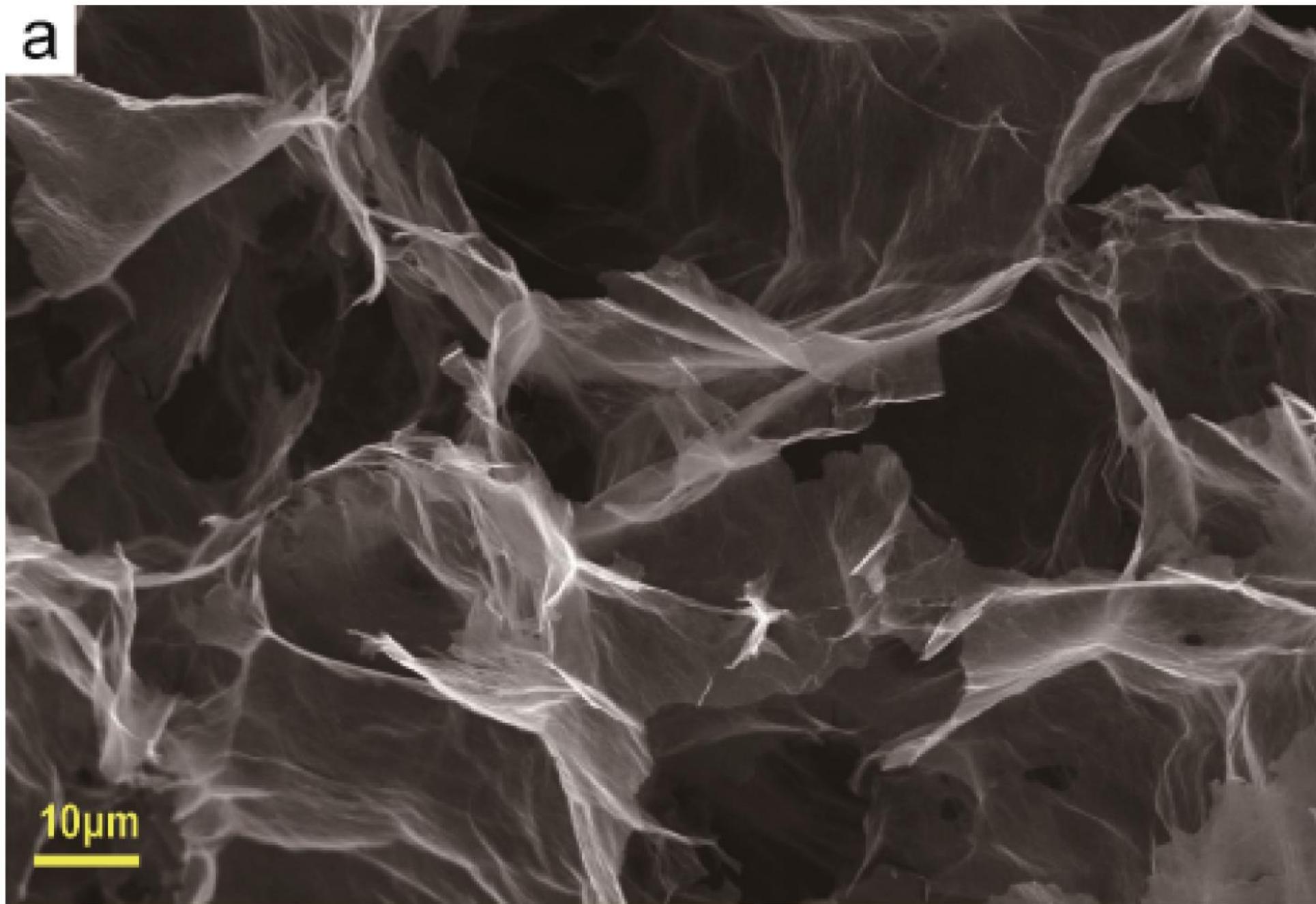
### a) Recovery of graphene structure



### b) Chemical functionalization

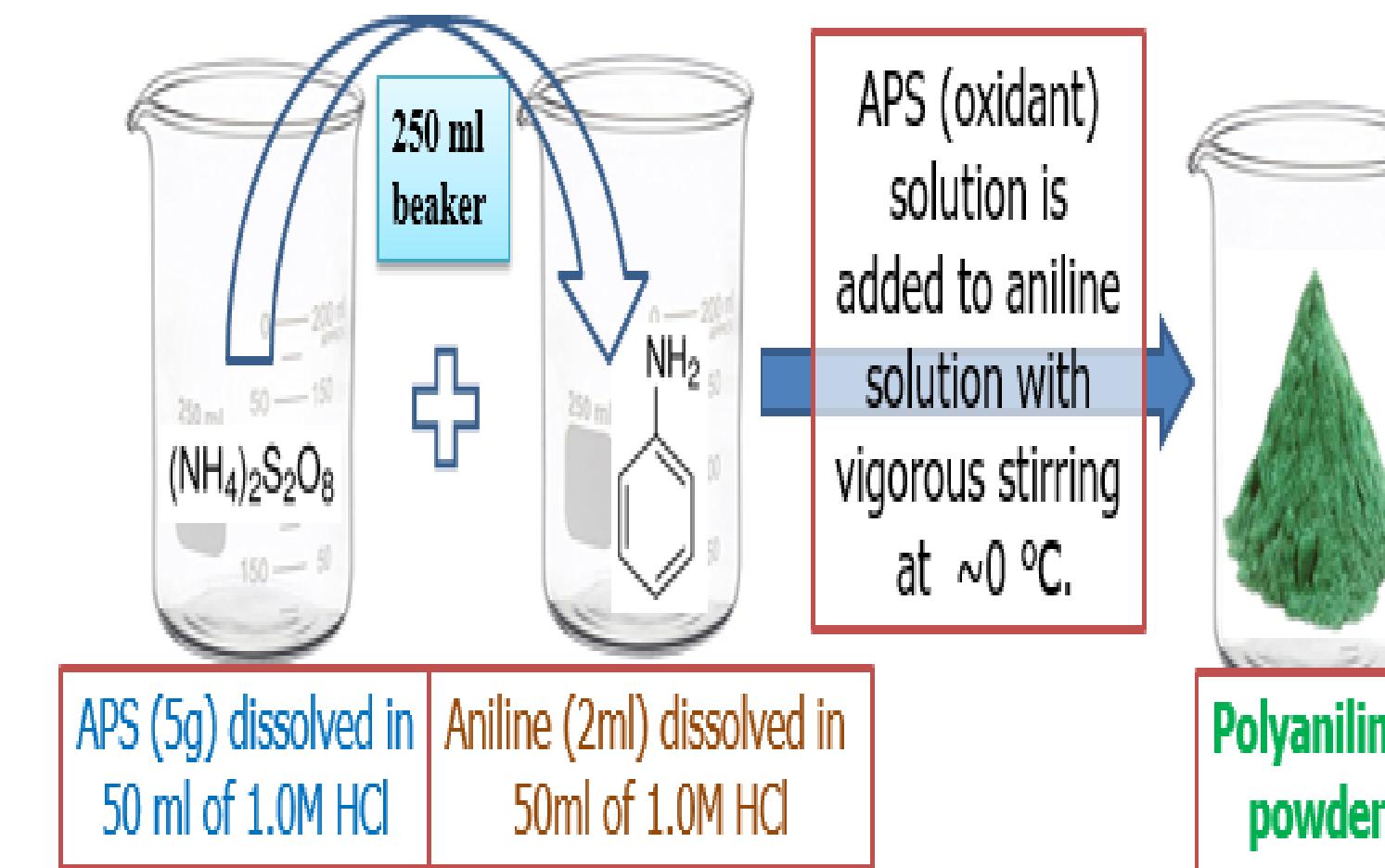


# SEM images of Graphene

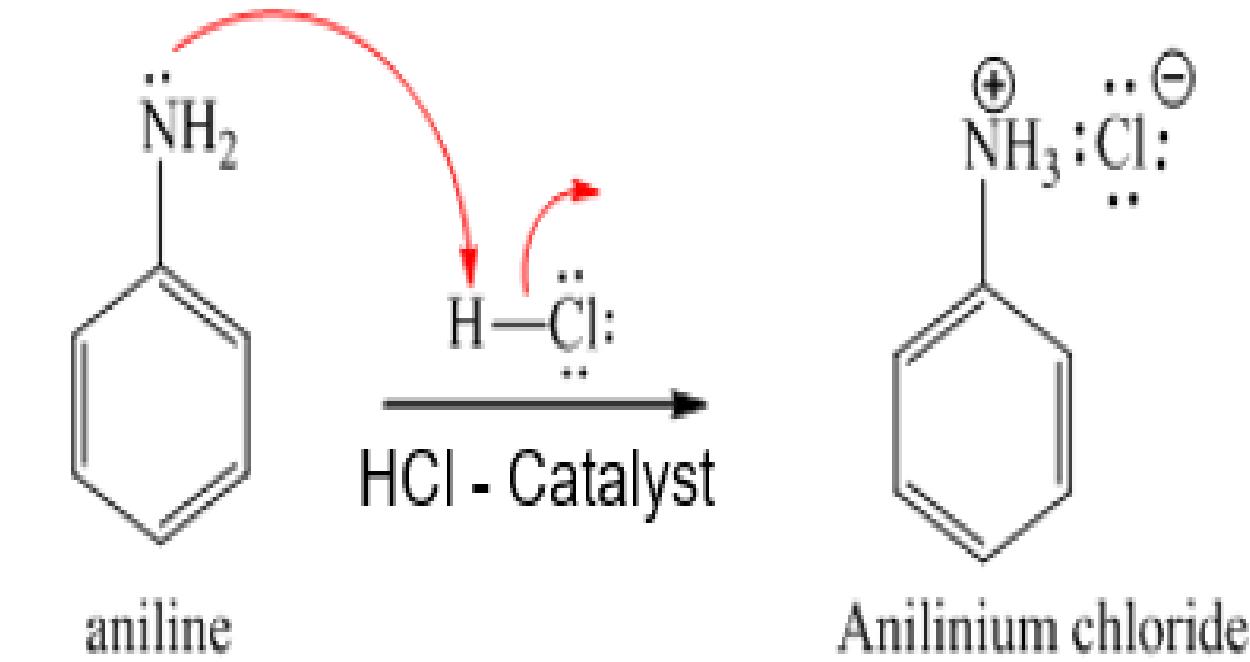


- RFID,
- IoNTs,
- Solar Cells,
- Batteries,
- Fuel cells,
- Medicine (Drug Delivery, Cancer Treatment, Gene Delivery, Photothermal Therapy, Diabetes Monitoring, Dialysis, Bone and Teeth Implantation, Tissue Engineering and Cell Therapy),
- UV Sensors, Biosensors,
- Transistors, Wearable Electronics, Flexible Screens, Optoelectronics, Optical Sensors, Water Purification, Desalination, Lubricants.

- ❖ Polyaniline (PANI) that has been extensively used as conducting polymer.
- ❖ Band gaps in the reduced and oxidized form of polyaniline are 4.3 and 2.7 eV respectively.



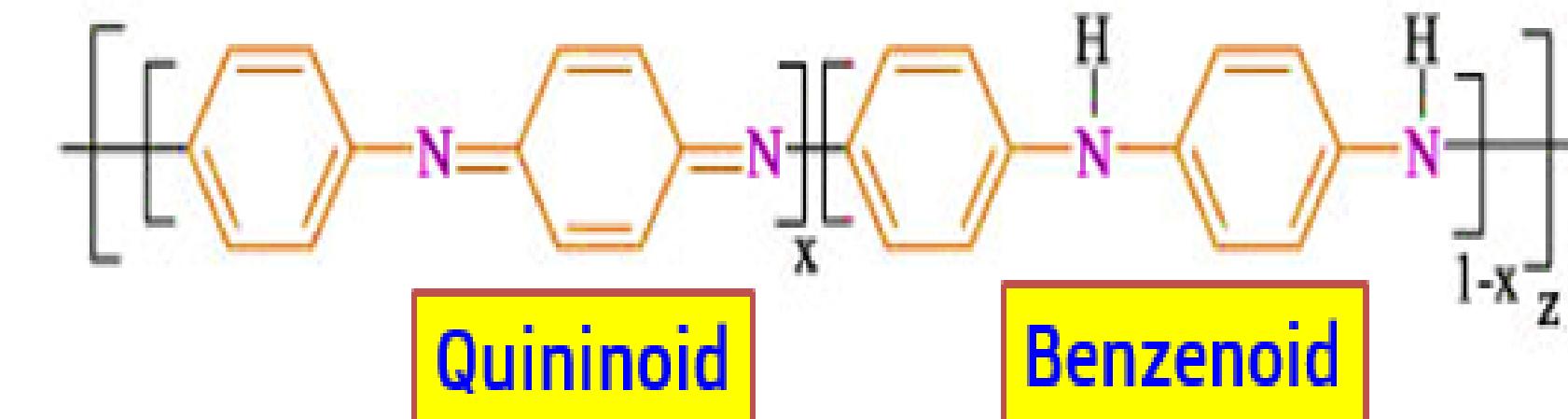
### Polyaniline polymerization reaction



Polyaniline is synthesized by oxidative polymerization of aniline

Stirring at  $\sim 0^\circ\text{C}$

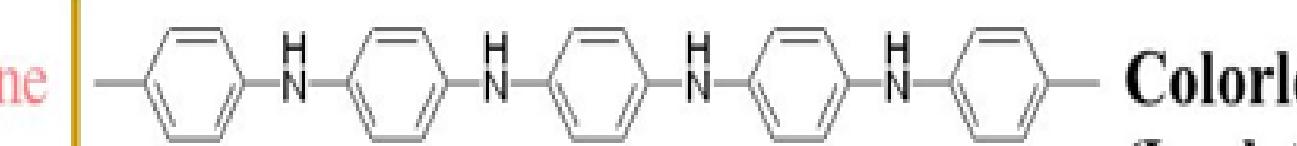
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$   
Oxidant



## Different forms of POLYANILINE

Leucoemeraldine

$x=0$



**Colorless**  
(Insulator)

Completely reduced contains only NH group

Emeraldine base

$x=0.5$

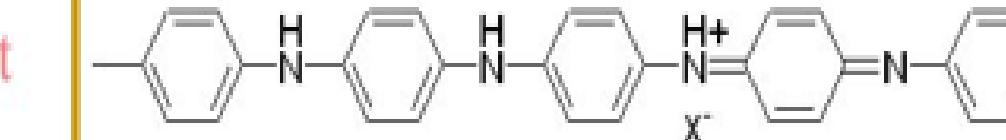


**Blue**  
(Insulator)

Partially oxidised, not neutralised and contains both NH and N group

Emeraldine salt

$x=0.5$

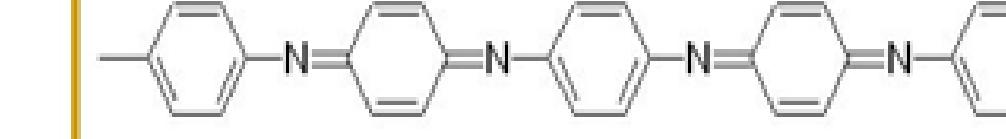


**Green**  
(Conductor)

Partially oxidised, neutralised and contains both NH and N group

Pernigraniline

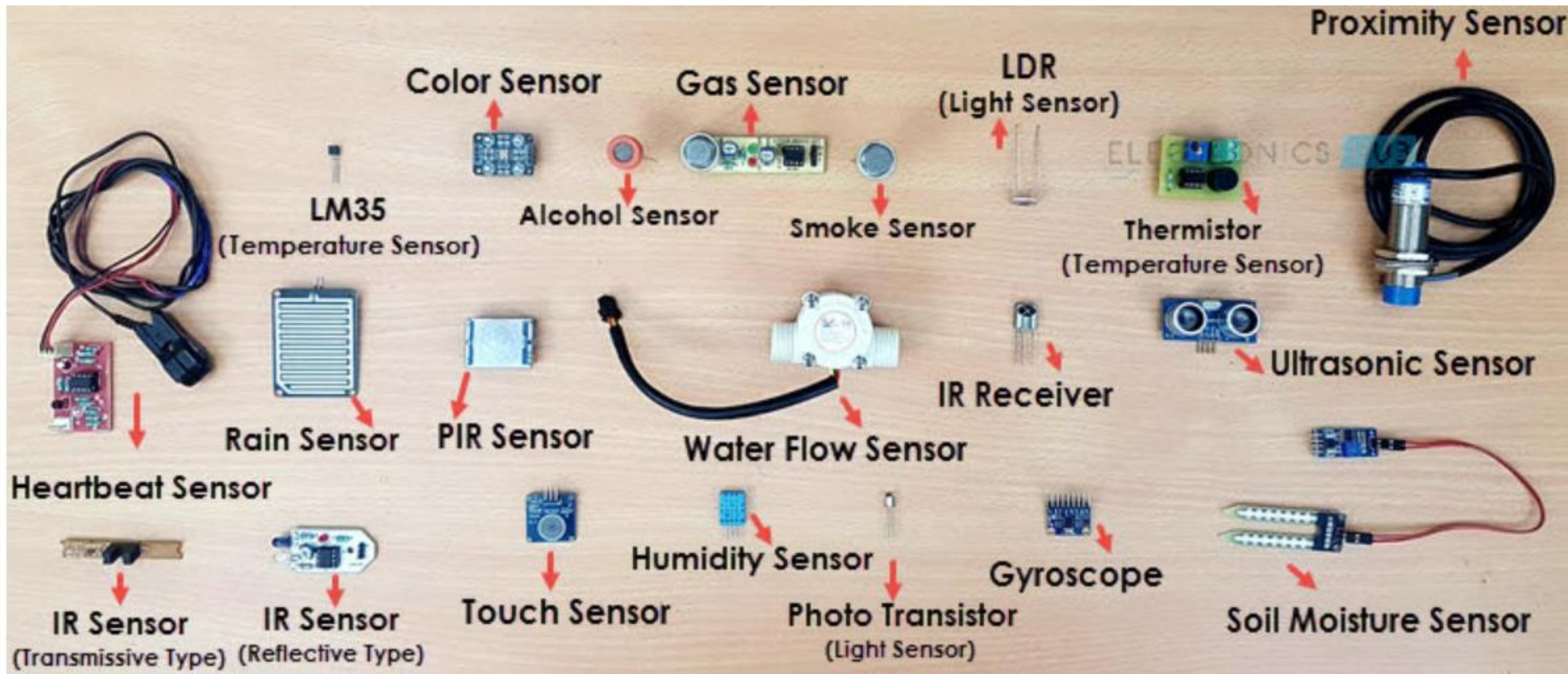
$x=1$



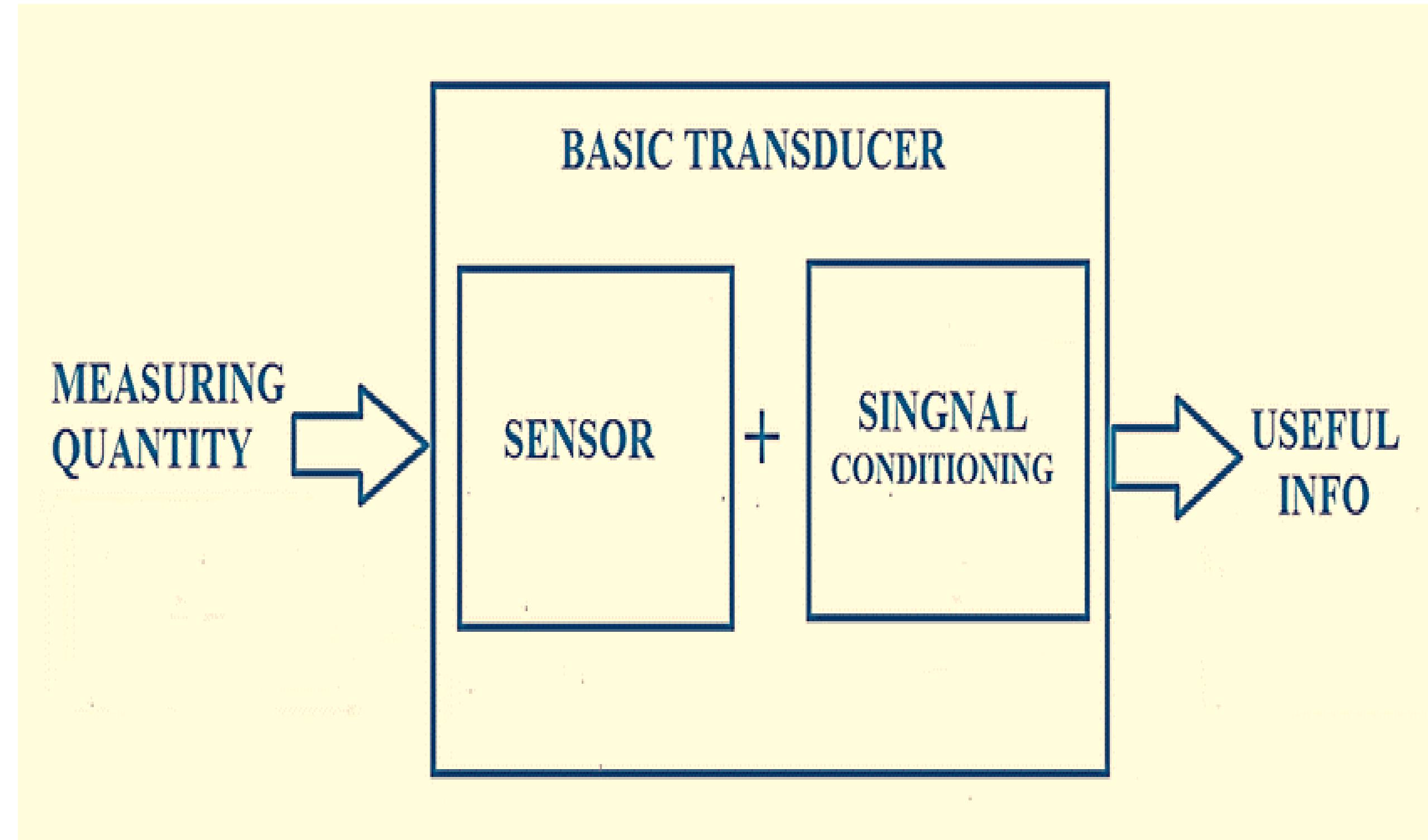
**Purple**  
(Insulator)

Completely oxidised contains only N group

Oxidation



It is device that measures change in a physical (heat, light, sound, pressure etc) and/or chemical (pH, smell, taste, concentration, humidity etc) parameters of interest in an environment and transforms it into an electronic signal.





***Form of Energy******Physical quantity measured: Measurand***

Mechanical

Length, area, volume, displacement, velocity, mass, flow, pressure

Thermal

Temperature, specific heat, entropy, heat flow

Electrical

Voltage, current, resistance, inductance, capacitance etc.

**Physical Properties****Sensor**

Electrical signal are processed and amplified by electronic devices

Magnetic

Field intensity, flux density, magnetic moment, permeability

Radiant

Intensity, phase, wavelength, polarization, reflection, transmittance, refractive index

Chemical

Composition, concentration, reaction rate, pH, oxidation etc

Voltage

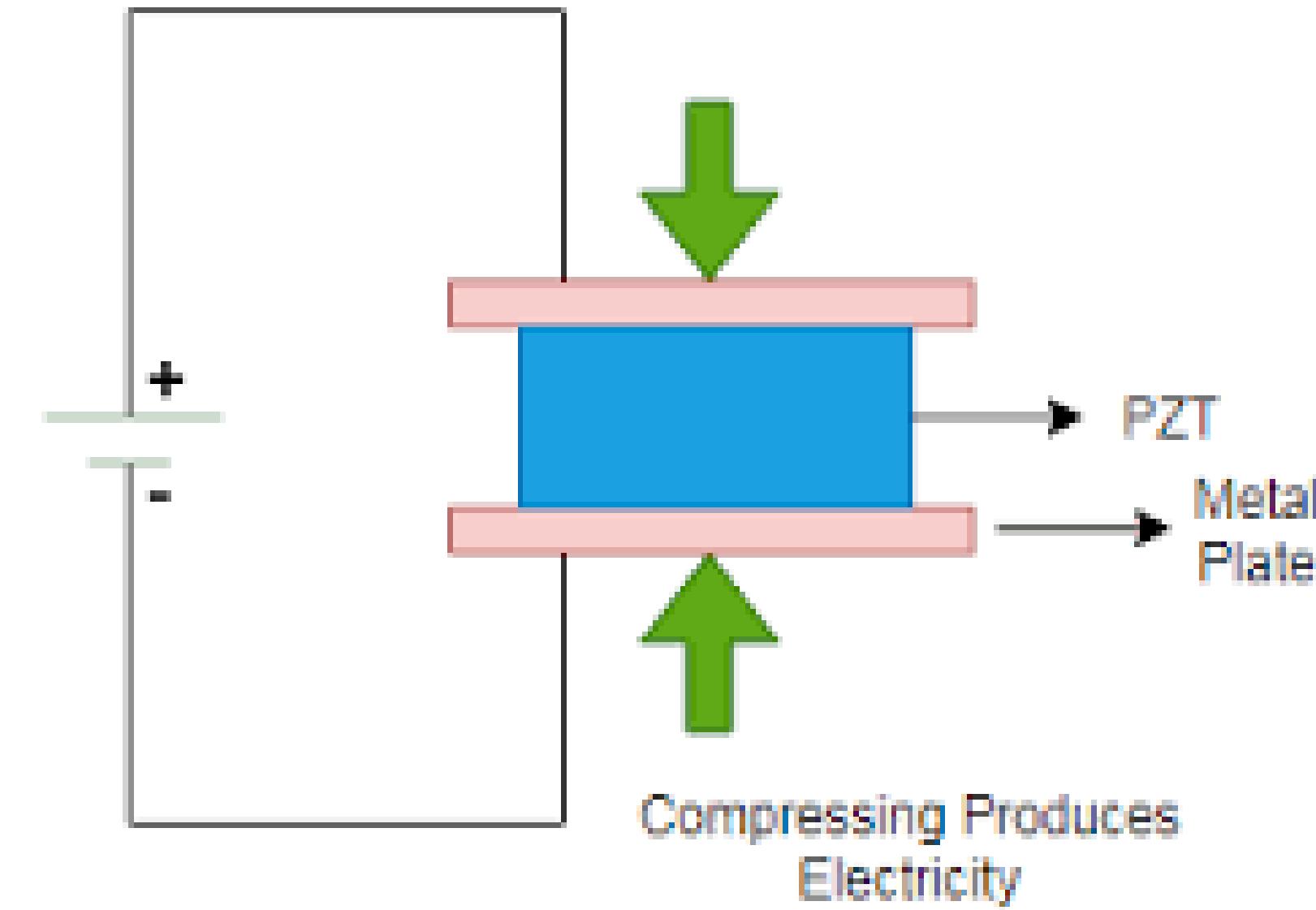
Current

Charge

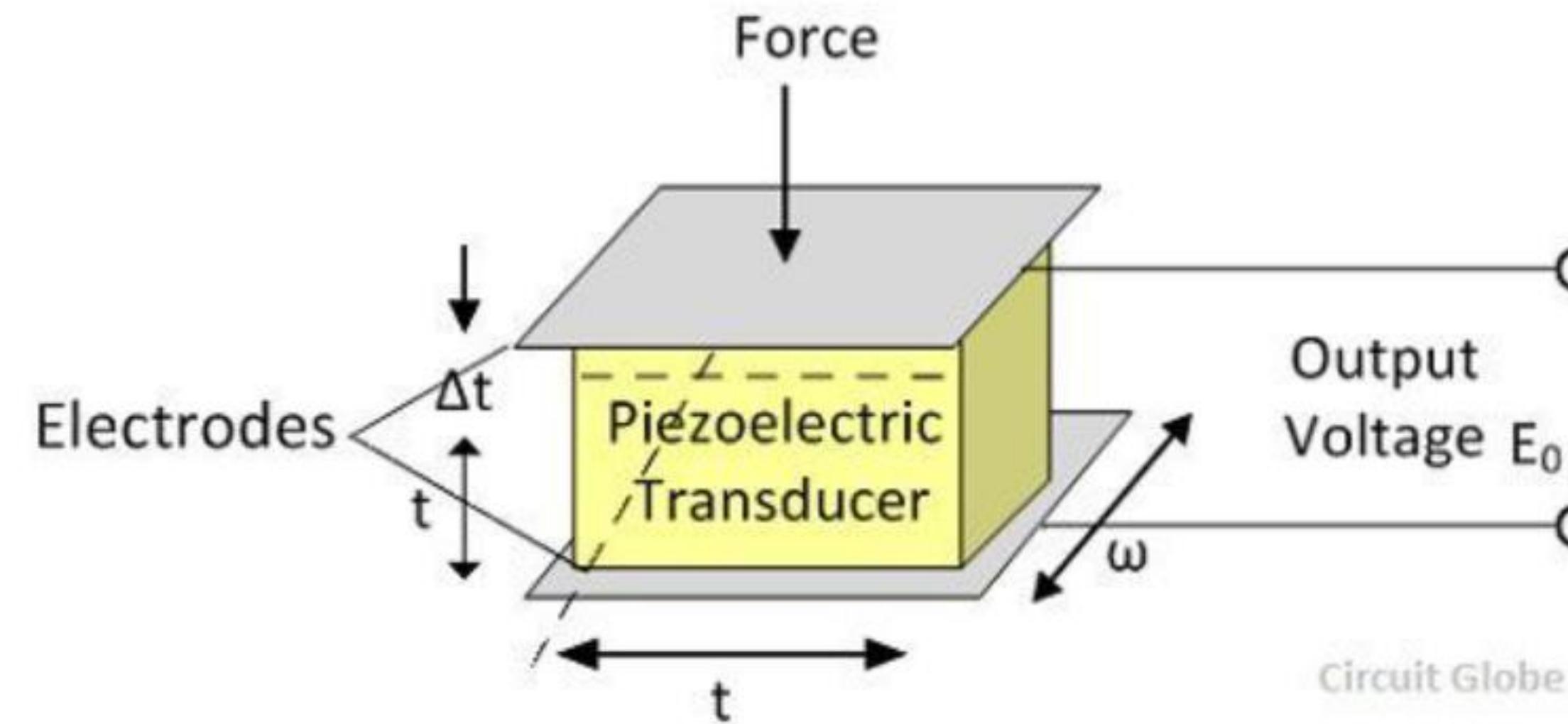
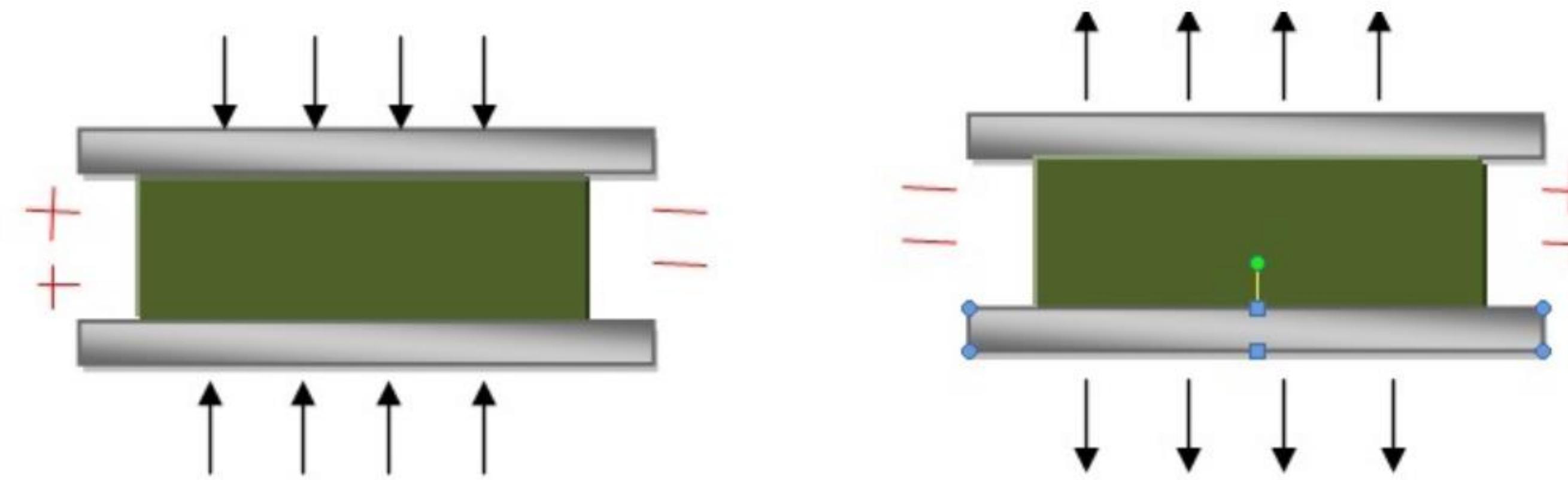
Phase

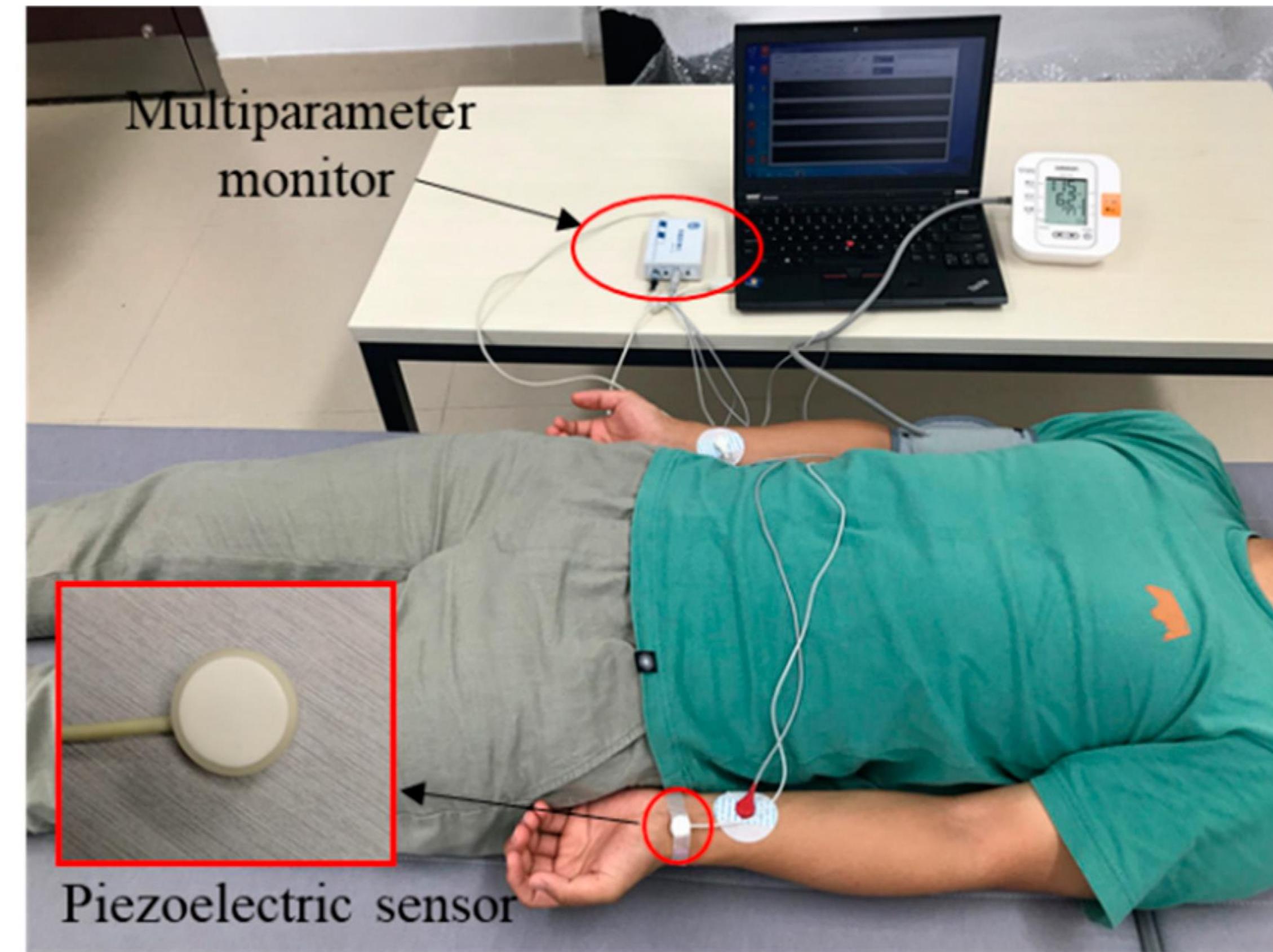
Amplitude

Frequency



A piezoelectric sensor is a device, which converts physical parameters like acceleration, strain, pressure, vibration, temperature, or force into an electrical charge which can then be measured.





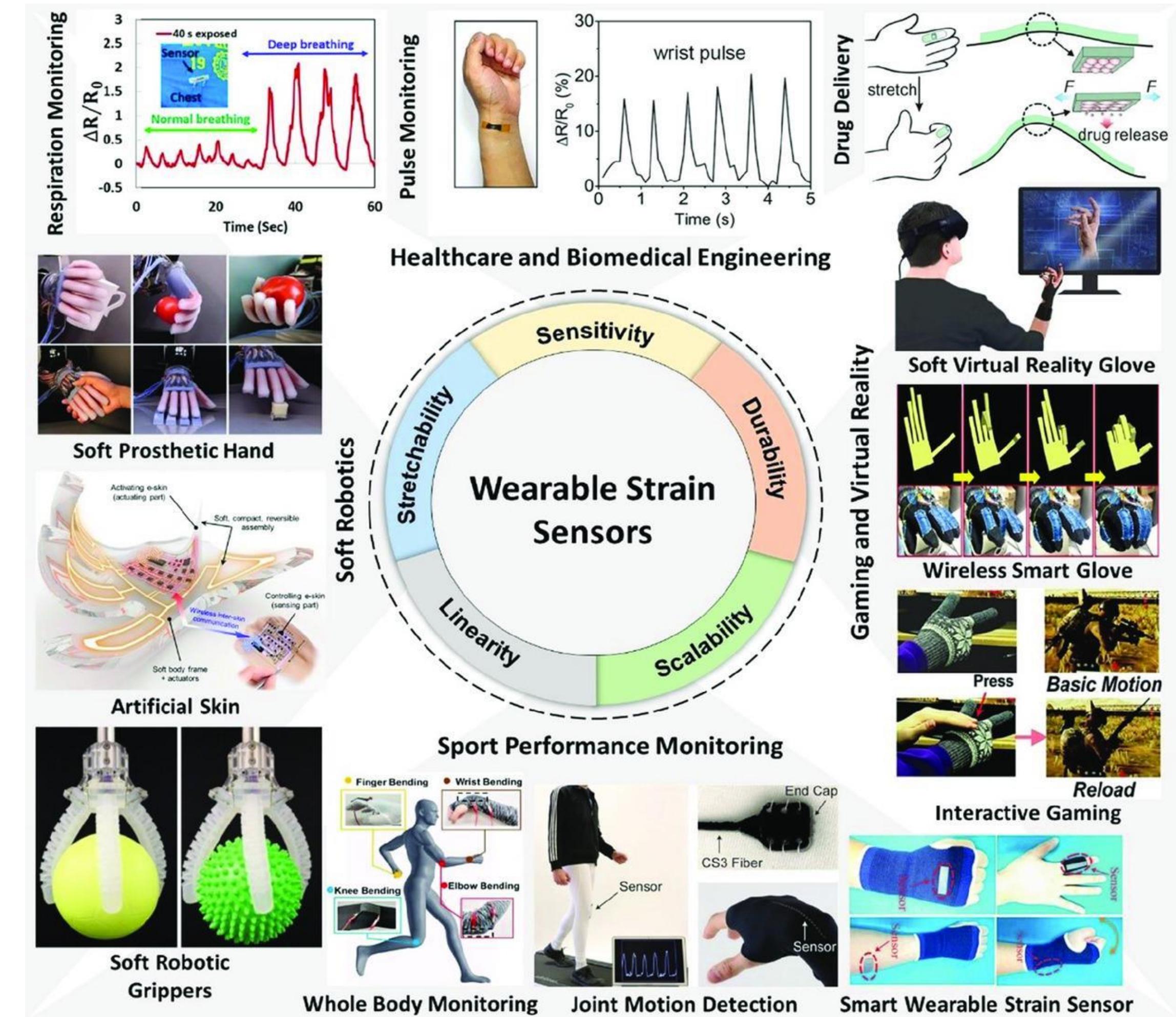
- High strength
- High stability
- High voltage output
- Highly flexible
- High mechanical strength

Upon applying the external force on an object, the strain (permanent/temporary) is induced in the object due to its structural (internal) deformation, this results in change in internal resistance of the object, which can be measured by using the device called strain sensor.

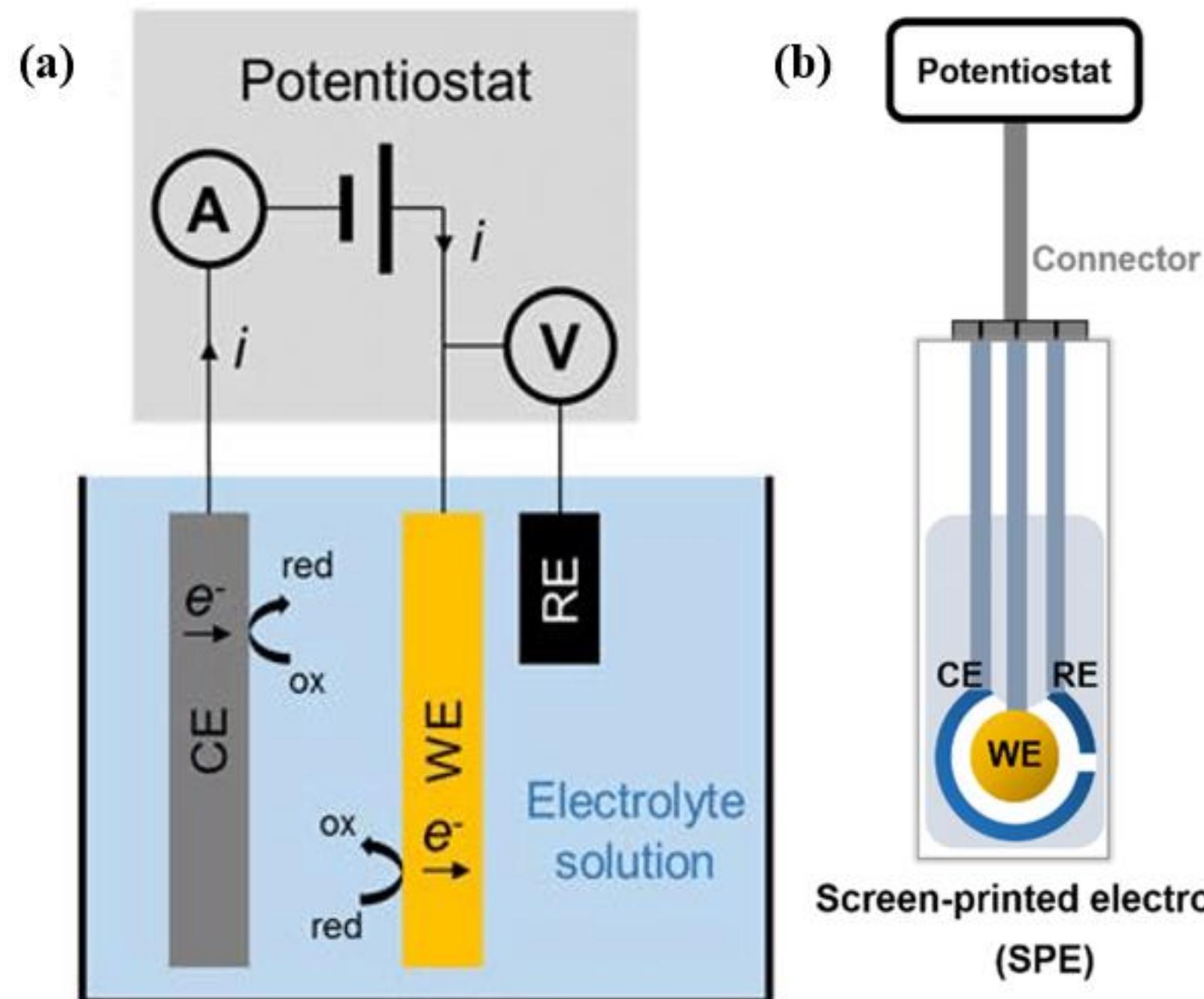
Various nanomaterials like graphene, CNT, PVDF, and their hybrids are used in these sensors.

- ❖ **Pulse measurement** – PE sensors are very sensitive to record pulse measurements and effective in monitoring the patients' health.
- ❖ **Stethoscopes** – Due to high sensitivity and robustness PE sensors, they are often used within stethoscopes.
- ❖ **Anaesthesia Effectiveness** - PE sensors are capable of accurately measuring the muscles stimulations, and hence can be helpful in understanding the effectiveness of anaesthesia.

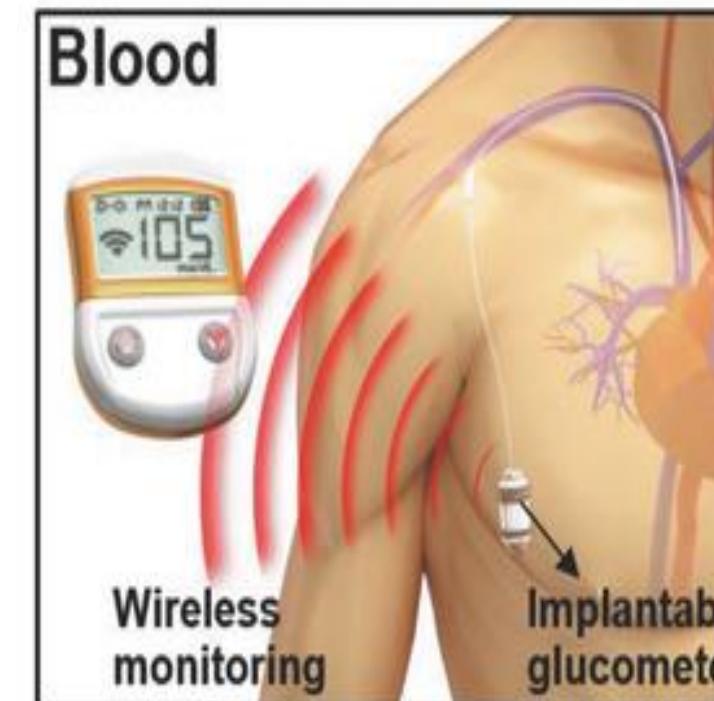
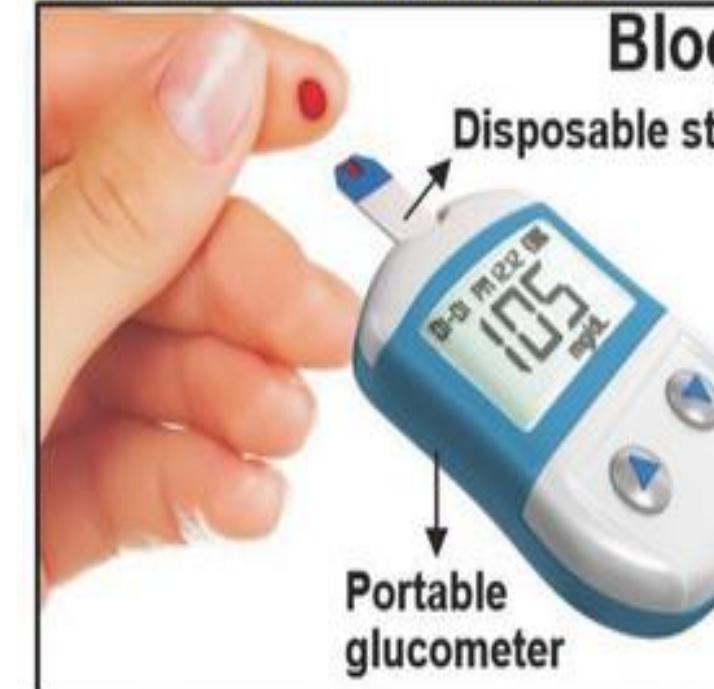
## Sleep Studies



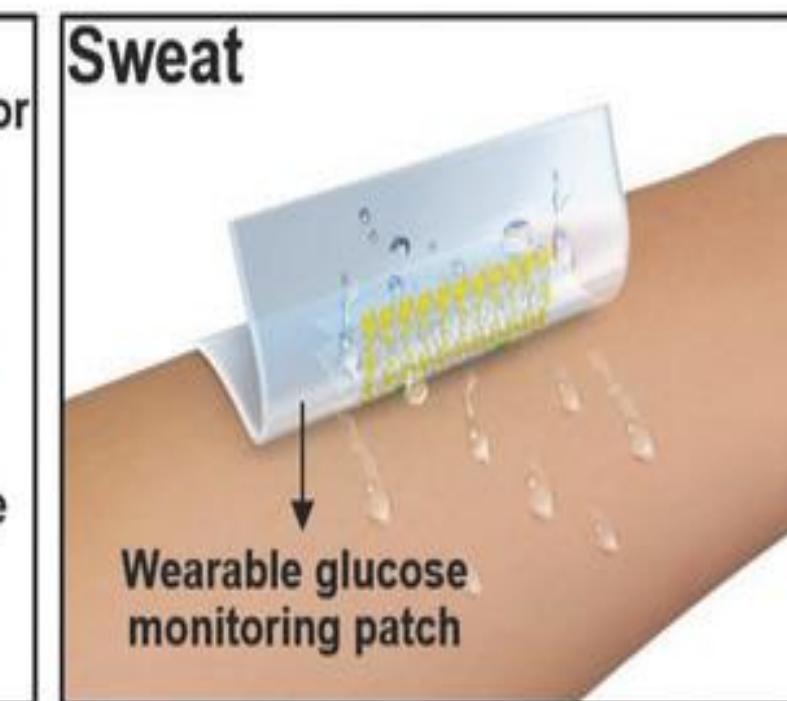
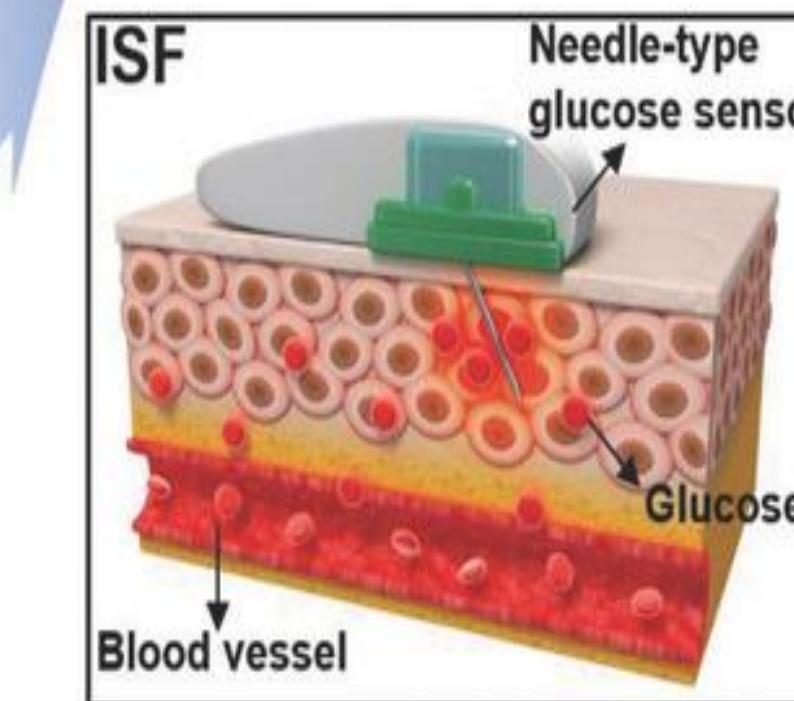
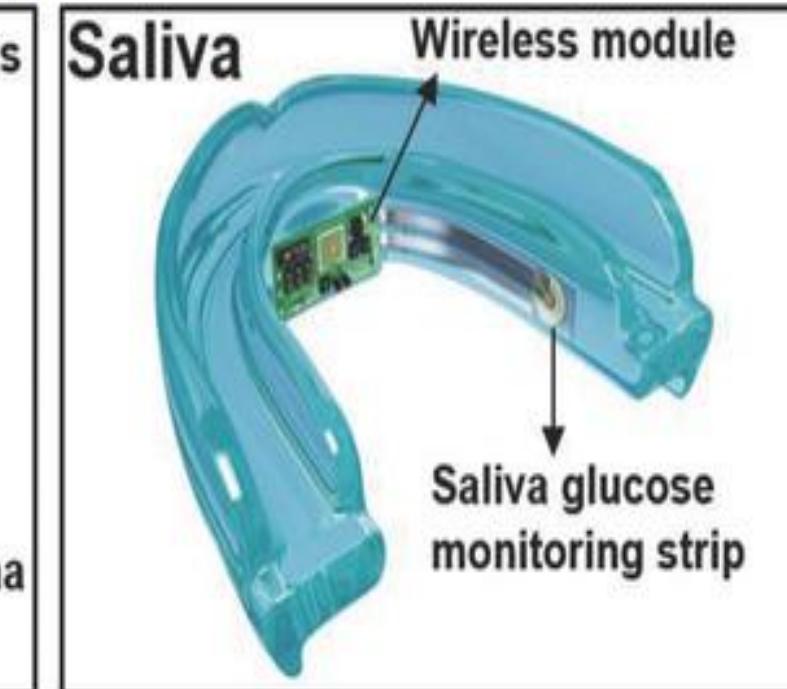
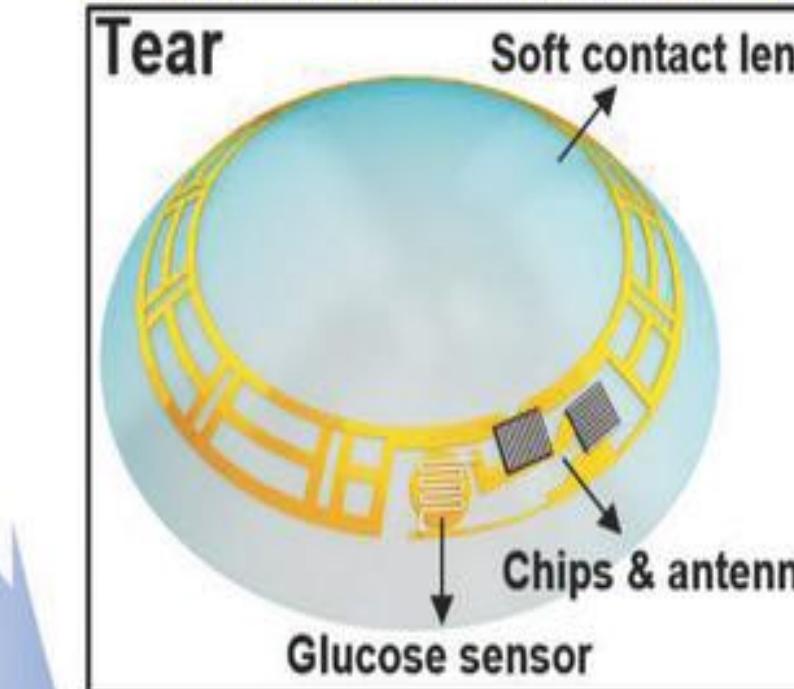
A device that converts chemical composition data of the analyte into an analytically usable signal.



## Invasive methods

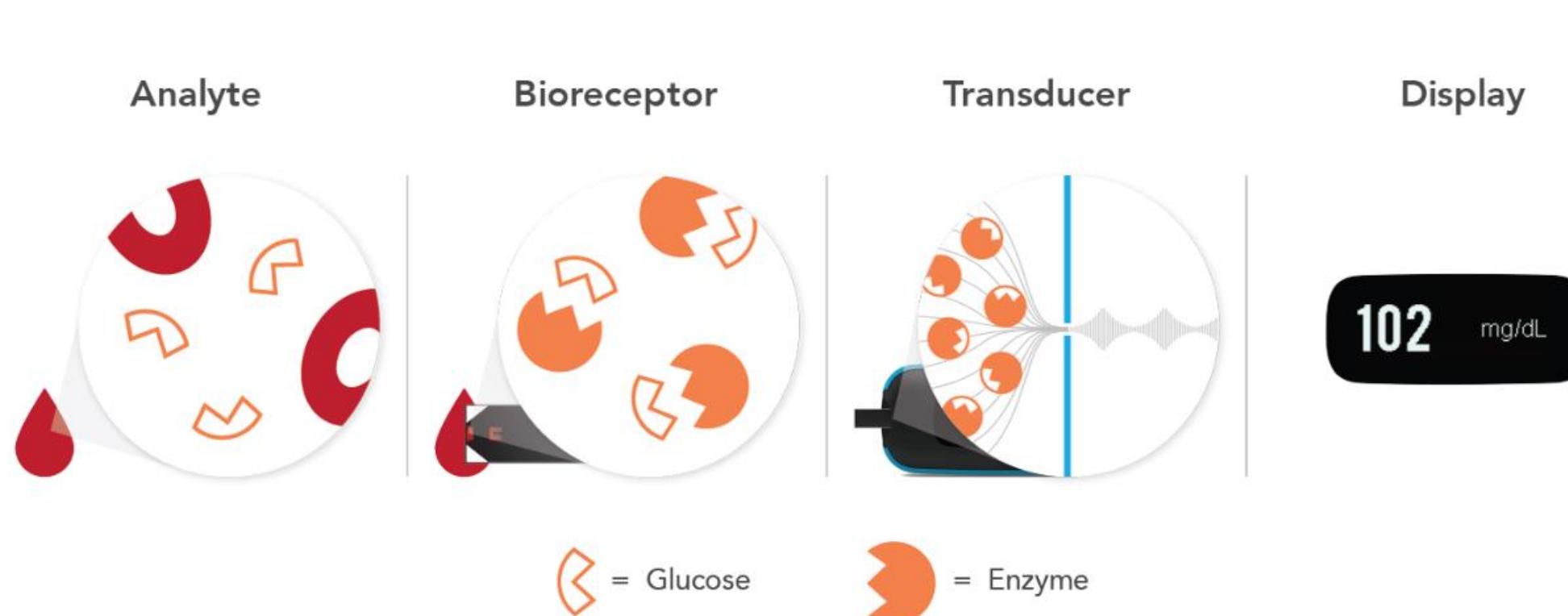
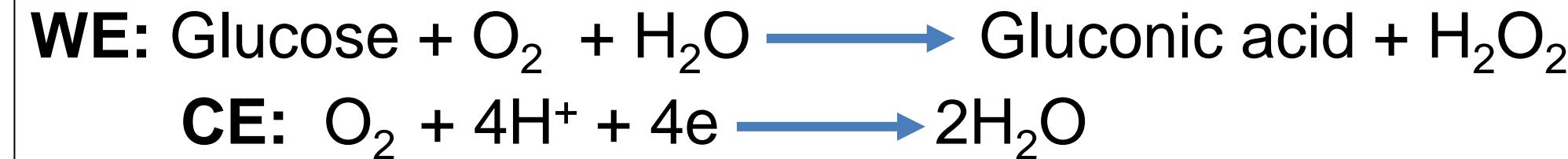


## Noninvasive methods



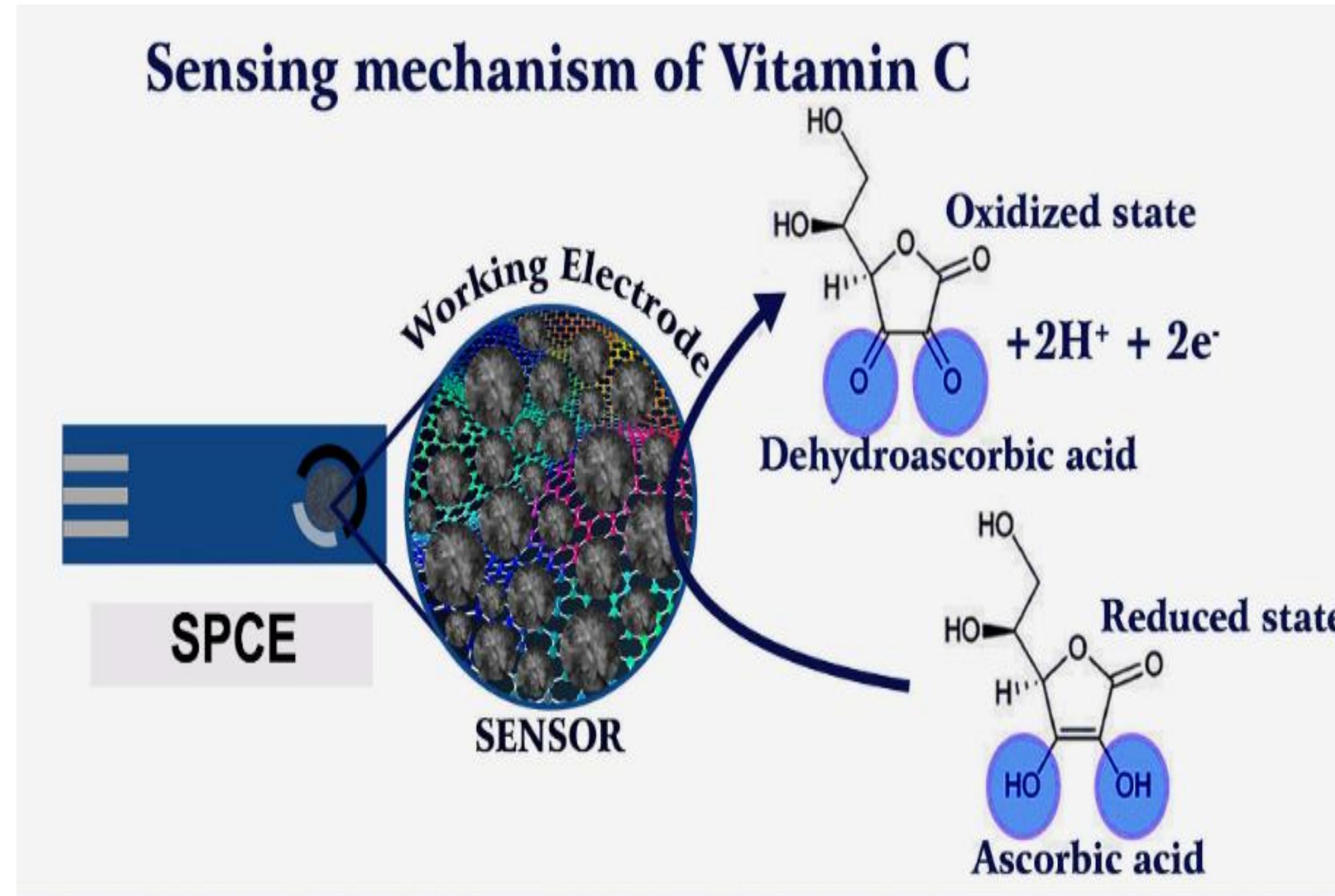
# Applications of Electrochemical sensor for biomolecules

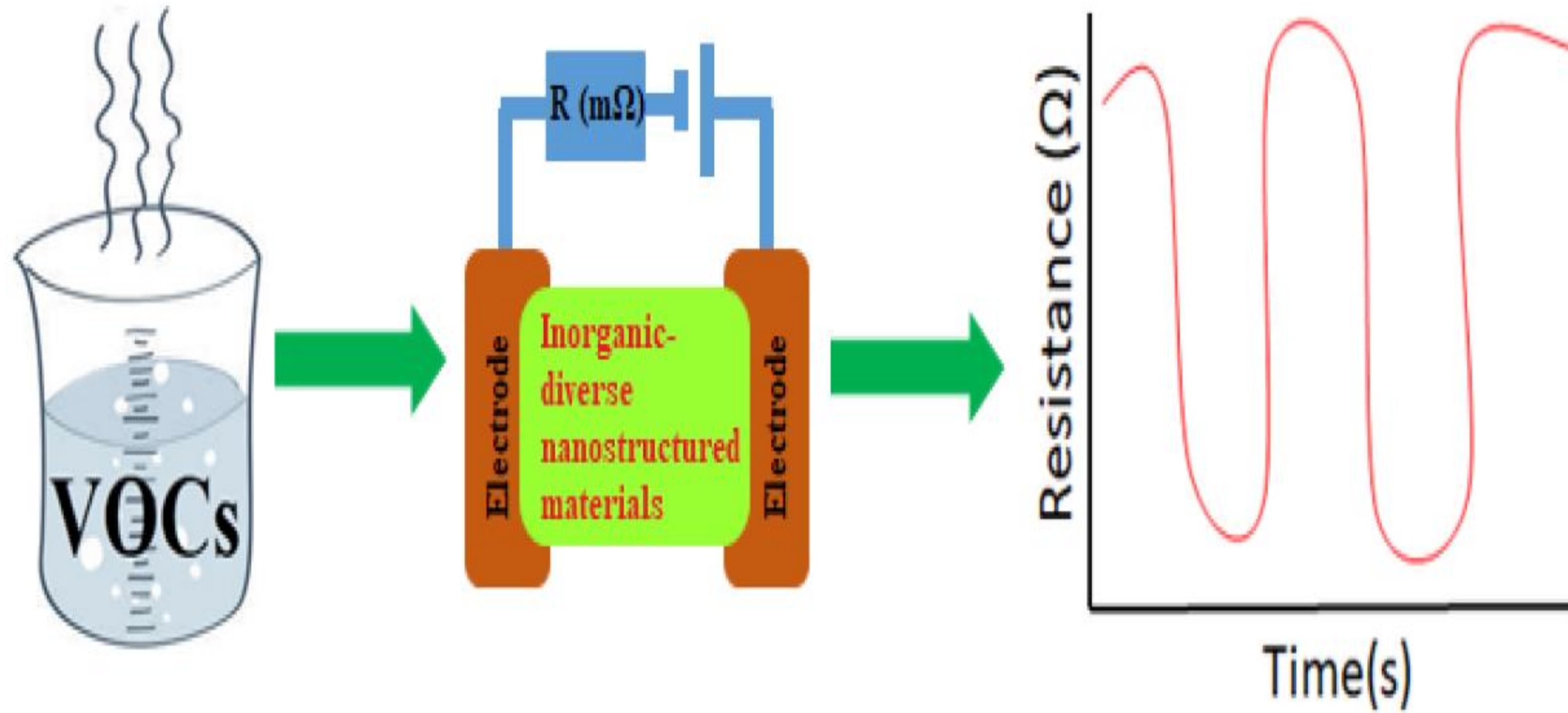
## Glucose sensor in diabetes management

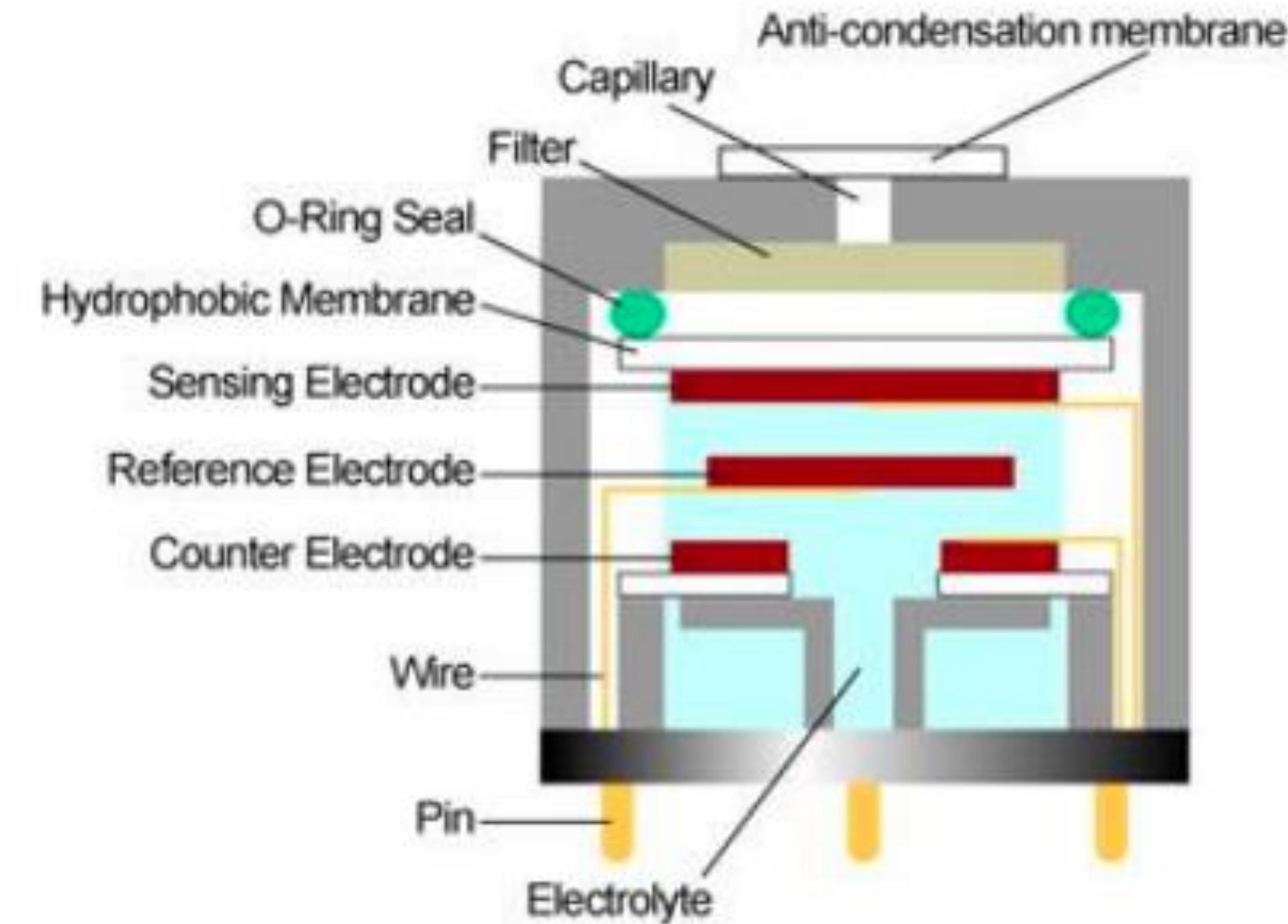


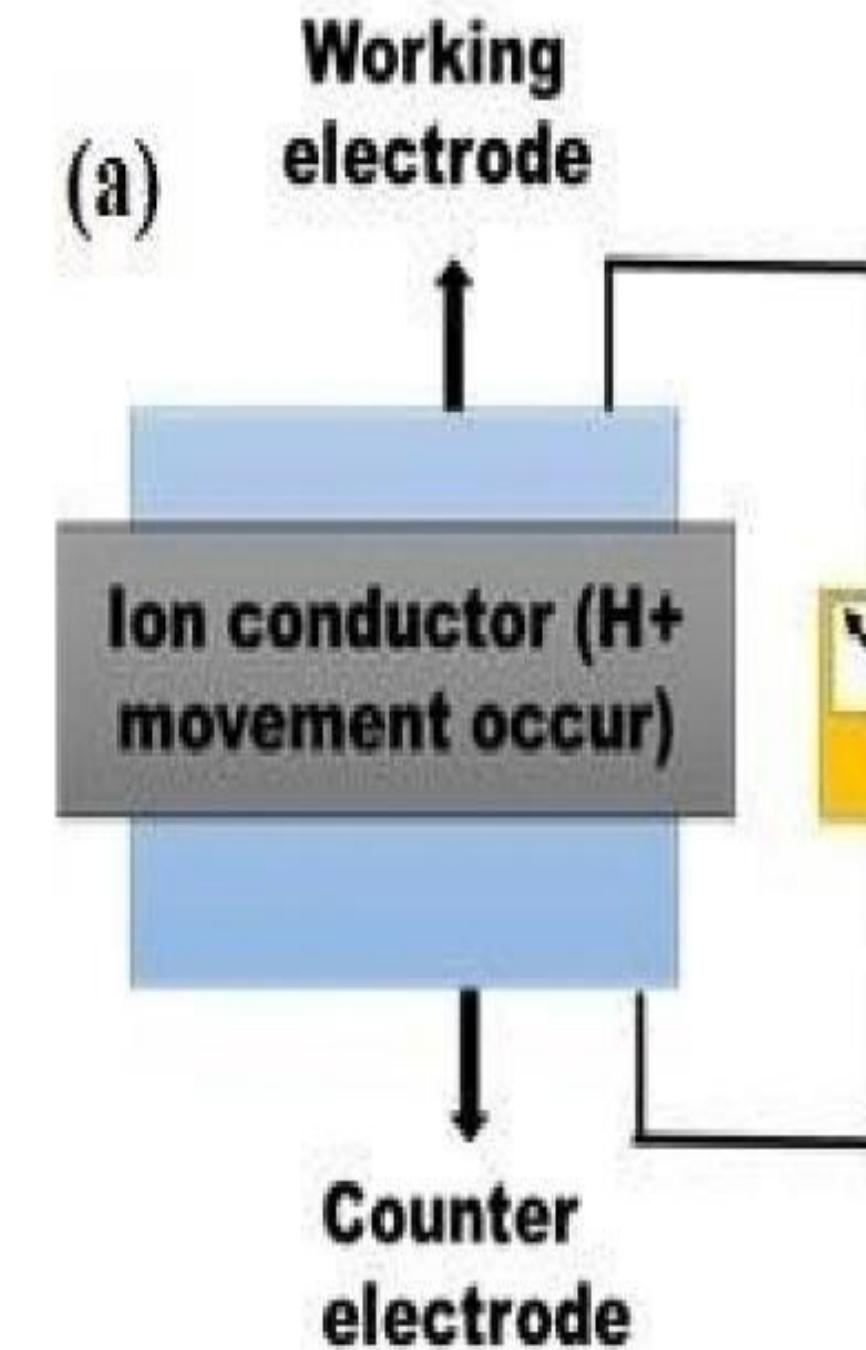
## Commonly used bio receptors

- Glucose oxidase (GOx)
- Glucose dehydrogenase nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (GDH-NAD)
- Glucose dehydrogenase flavin adenine dinucleotide (GDH-FAD)
- Glucose dehydrogenase pyrroloquinoline quinone (GDH-PQQ)

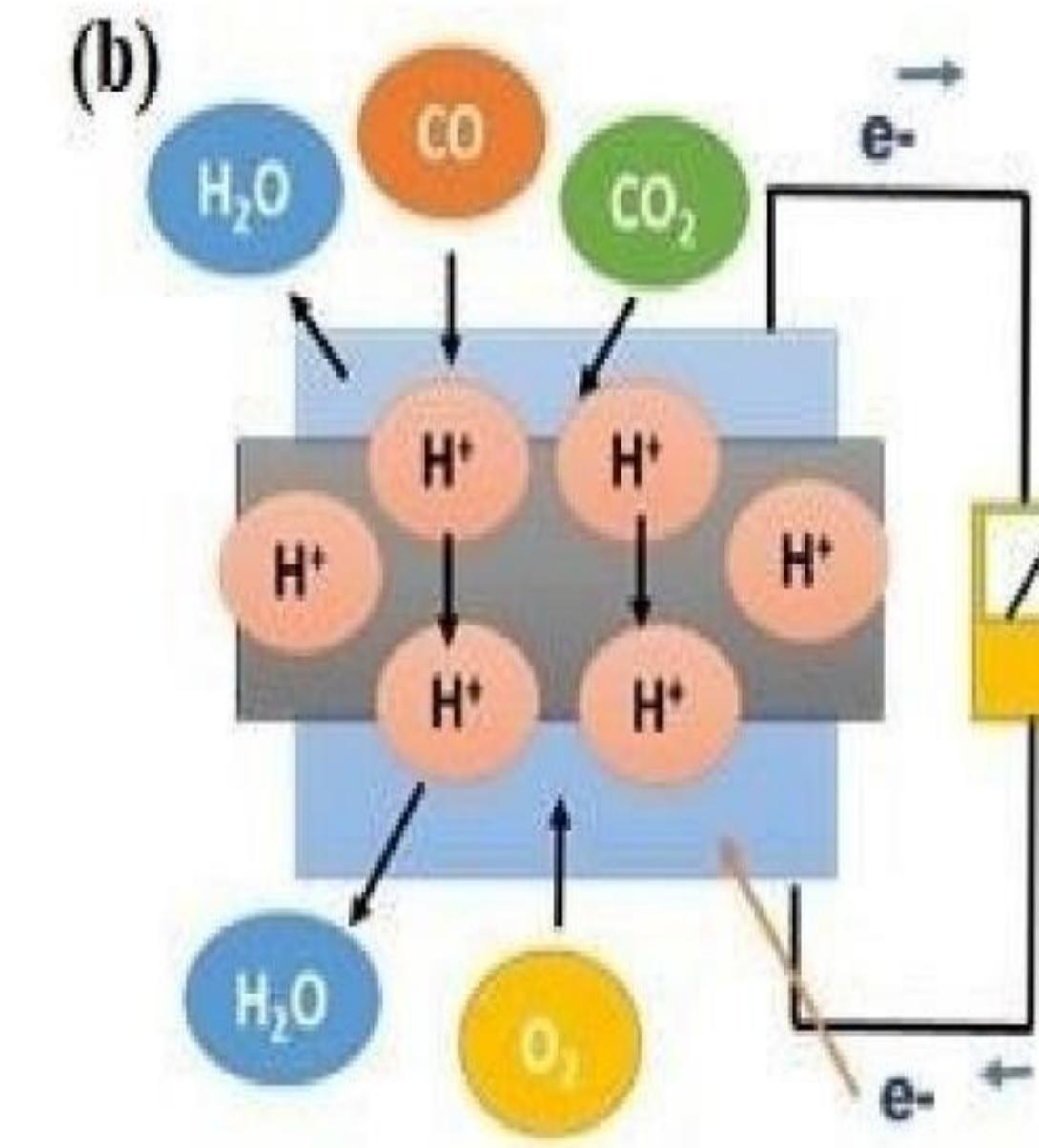








Electrochemical cell in presence of air



Electrochemical cell in CO atmosphere

## CO<sub>2</sub> sensor



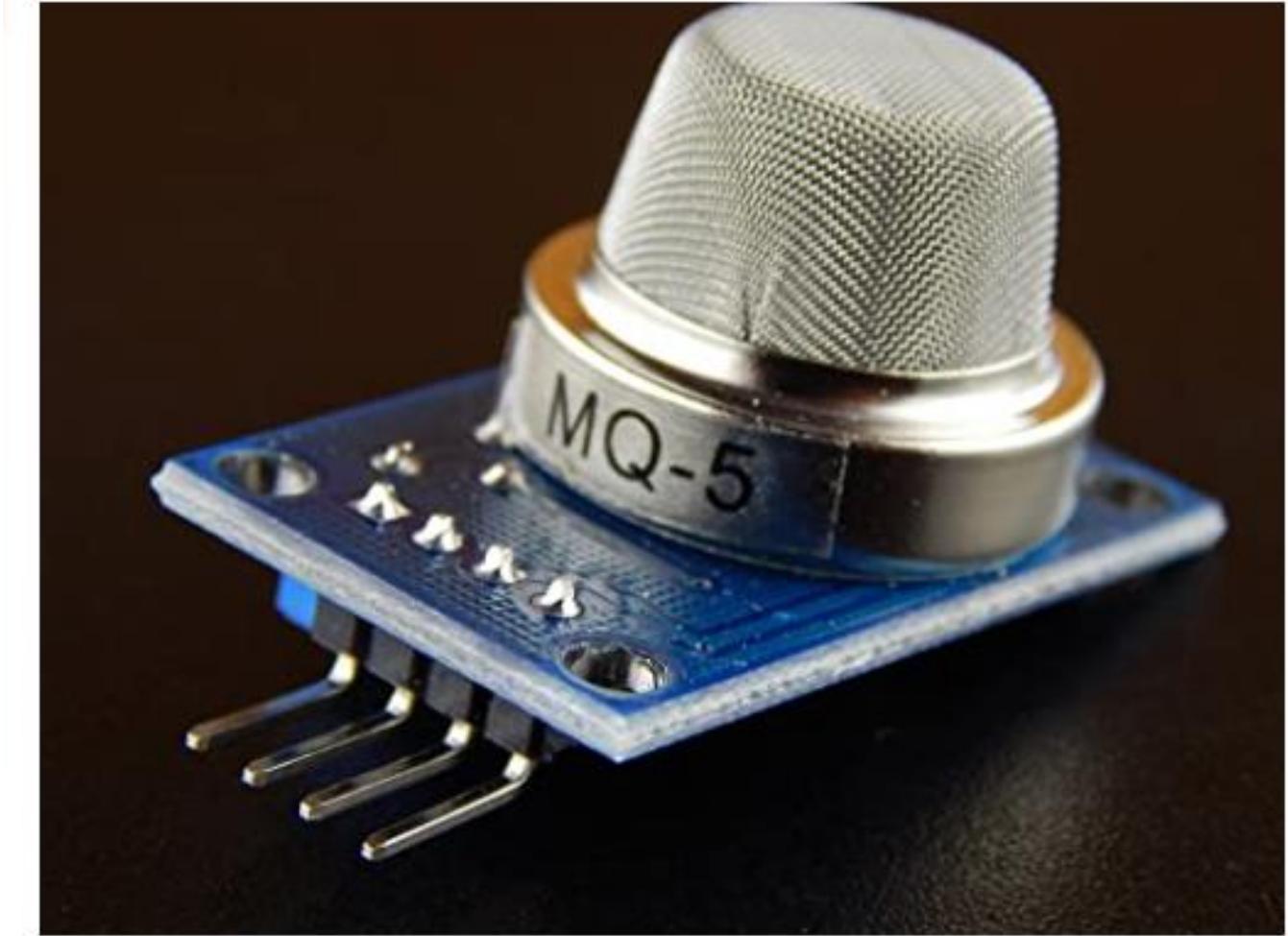
MG811 Air Carbon  
Dioxide (CO2) Sensor  
Module

Product Code: EC-5093

Availability: 6

Rs.2799.00

(Excluding 18% GST)



## Gas sensor