

Intro: Can you guess what they have in common?



East Gate Center, 1996 (Zimbabwe)



Velcro, 1955



Shinkansen, 1990s (Japan)

Nature-Inspired Invention, Biomimetics

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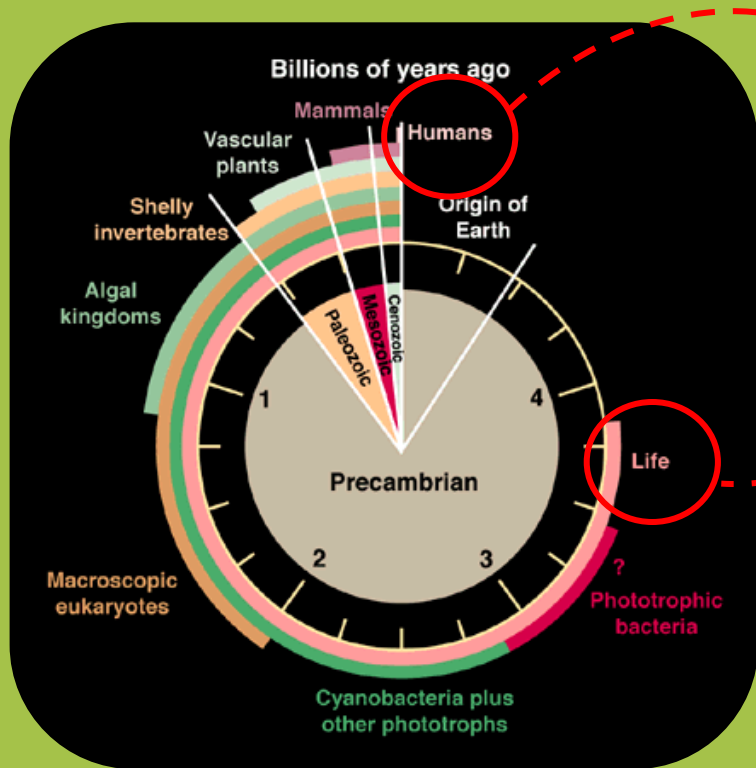
What is Biomimetics?

- Biomimetics=“Bio-”(Biology)+“-mimetics”(Imitation)
- Solving Human Problems through **imitating characteristics of nature**
- Types of Imitation: **Design, Structures, Mechanisms, Function,...**



Background

- Our planet is the oldest and wisest teacher!



Human 23:58:43 (200,000 years ago)

Origin of Life 4:00 (3,800,000,000 years ago)

[History of earth in 24-hour clock]

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3.8 Billion Years



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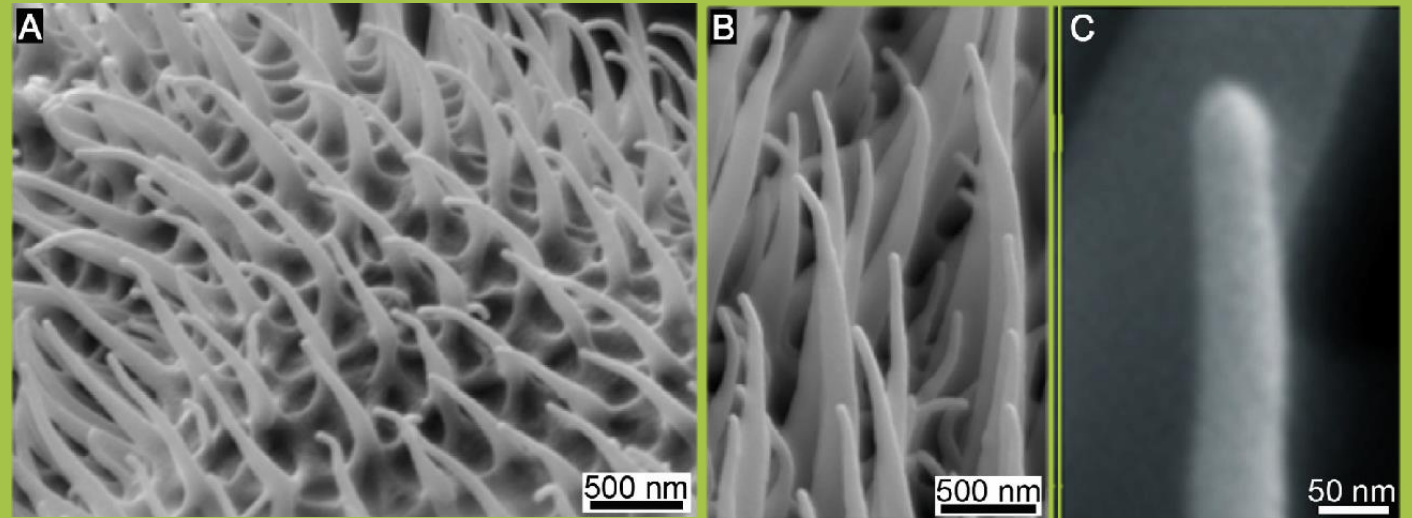
Most **Suitable** and **Efficient**
Traits to Survive in Nature!



Overcome Human Challenges

Interesting Biomimetic Research

1. Gecko Lizard (게코도마뱀)



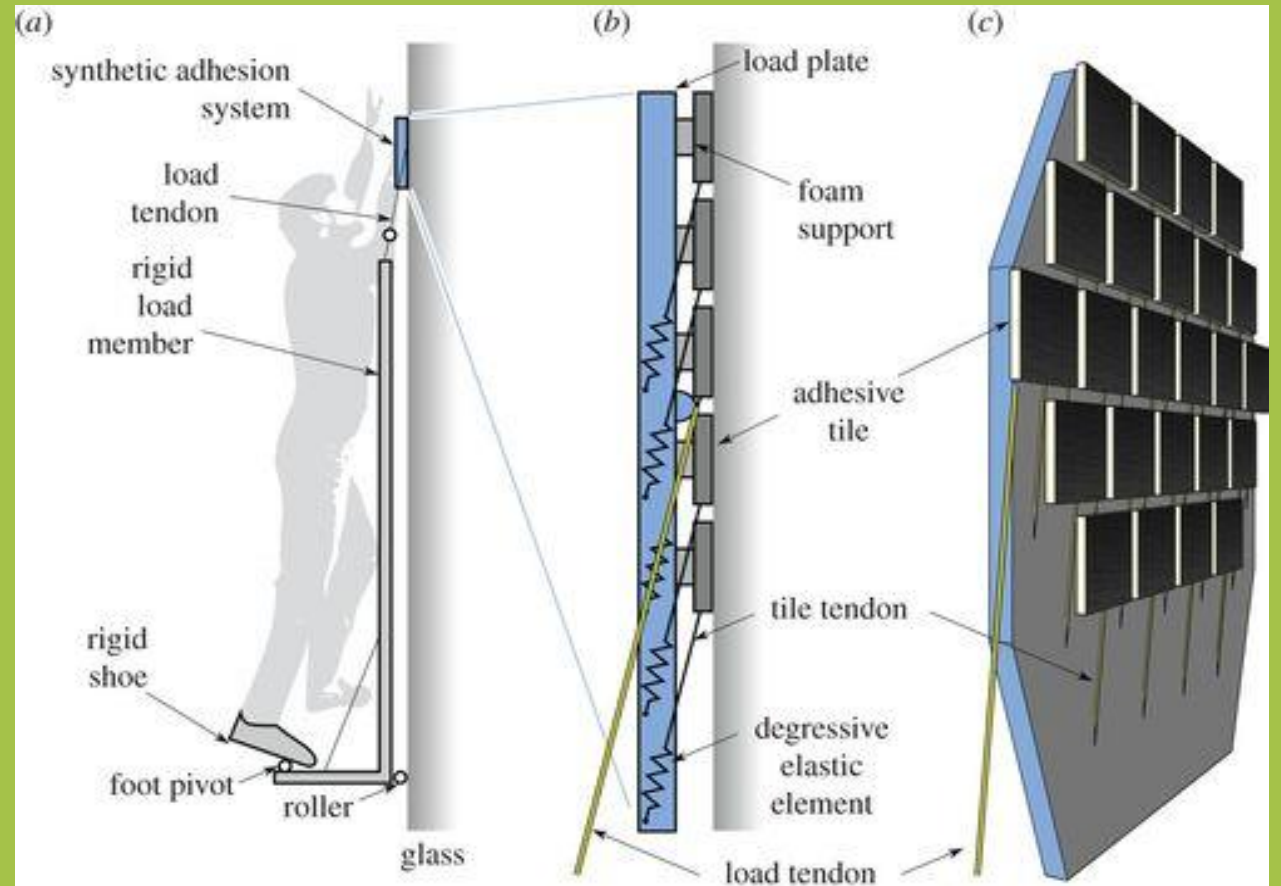
[SEM images of the microstructure on the gecko]

Application from Gecko Lizard-Wall Climbing Gloves



Clips from [Mission Impossible-Ghost Protocol]

This is Real...!



[Stanford engineers climb walls using gecko-inspired climbing device]

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mw-tol5ur84>

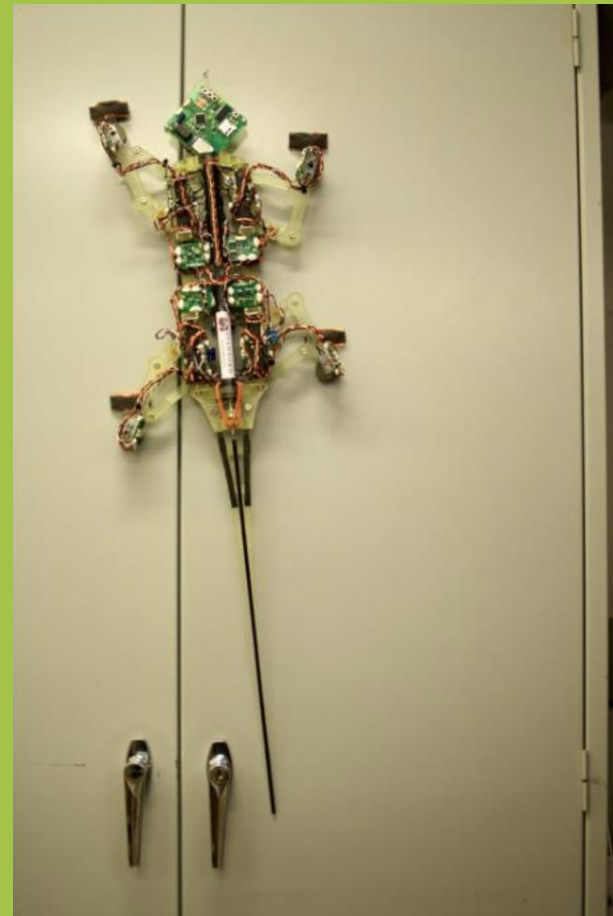
Human climbing with efficiently scaled gecko-inspired dry adhesives

E.W. Hawkes, E.V. Eason, D.L. Christensen and M.R. Cutkosky
Stanford University



Similar Example:

[Stanford's 'Stickybot,' a Gecko-like robot, climbs vertical surfaces]

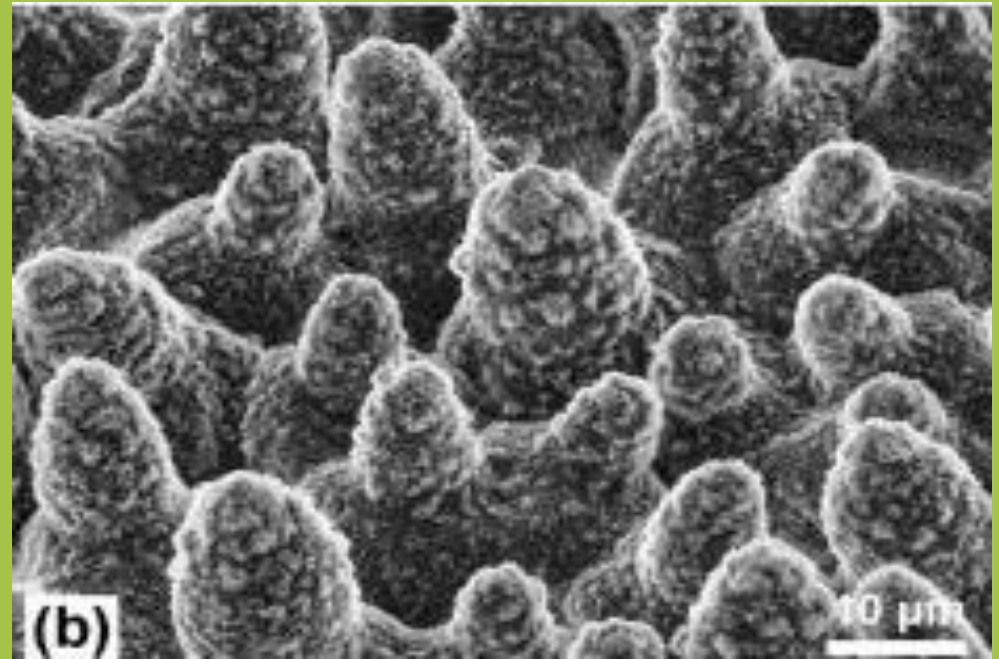


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2. Lotus (연꽃)



[Lotus Effect (Ultrahydrophobicity)]

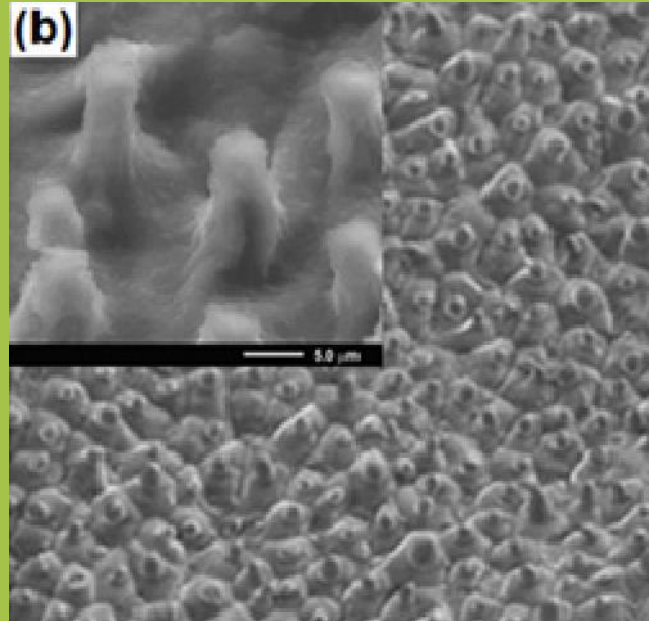


[SEM Image of the Surface of Lotus]

Application from Lotus Leaf: Waterproof Shirts



Lotus-inspired nanotextile



**SEM Image of
Nanotextile**



Waterproof Shirts



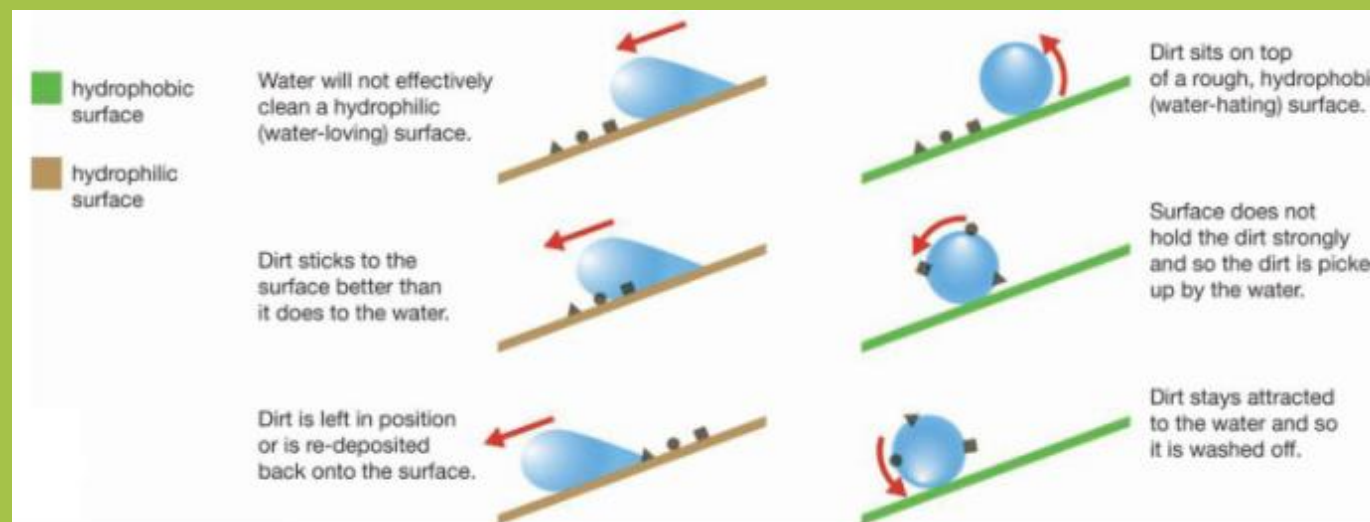
Threadsmiths Hydrophobic T-Shirt
100% Cotton

Application from Lotus Leaf: Self-Cleaning Glass



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NSG Group Flat Glass Business

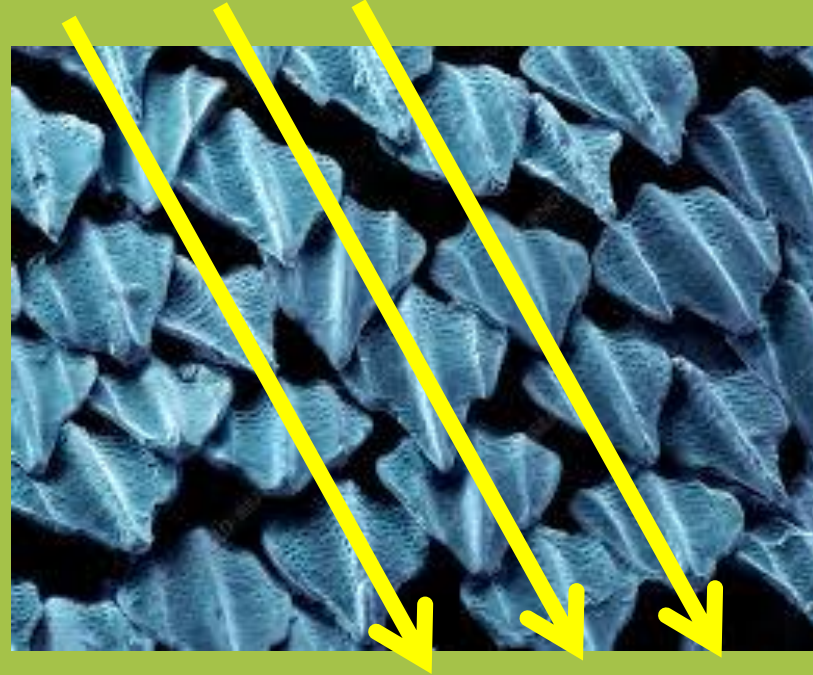


3. Shark

Over 100km/h

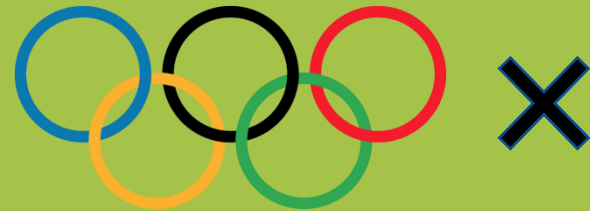
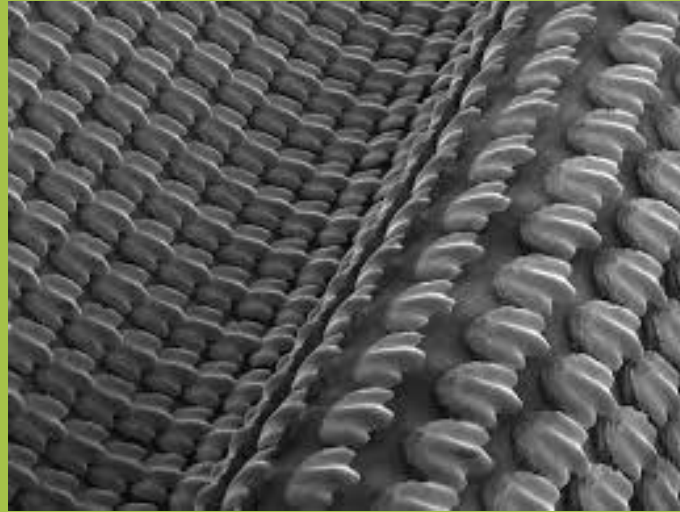


Shortfin Mako
(청상아리)

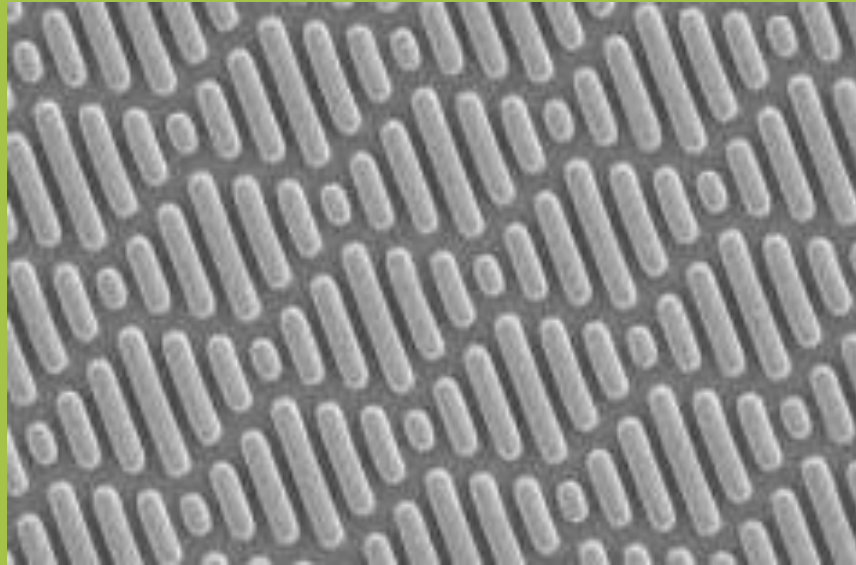


Colorized SEM of shark skin

Application from Shark Skin: Swimsuits



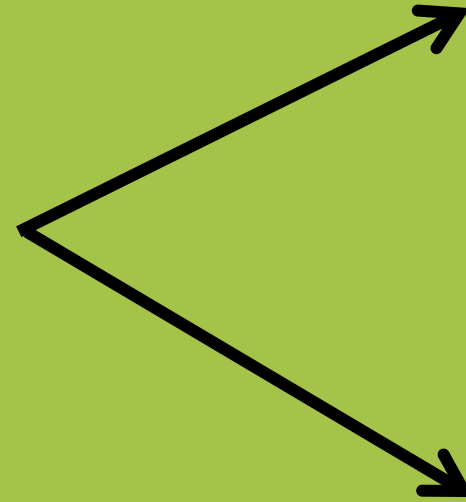
Application from Shark Skin: Microorganism Proof



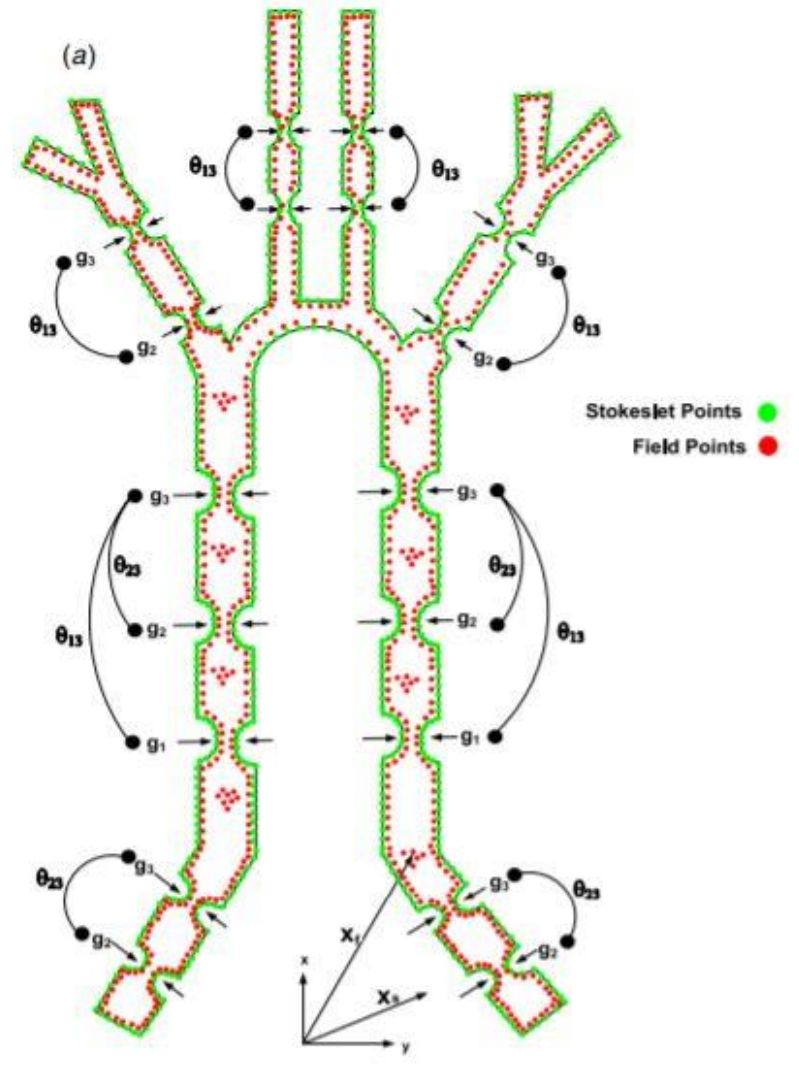
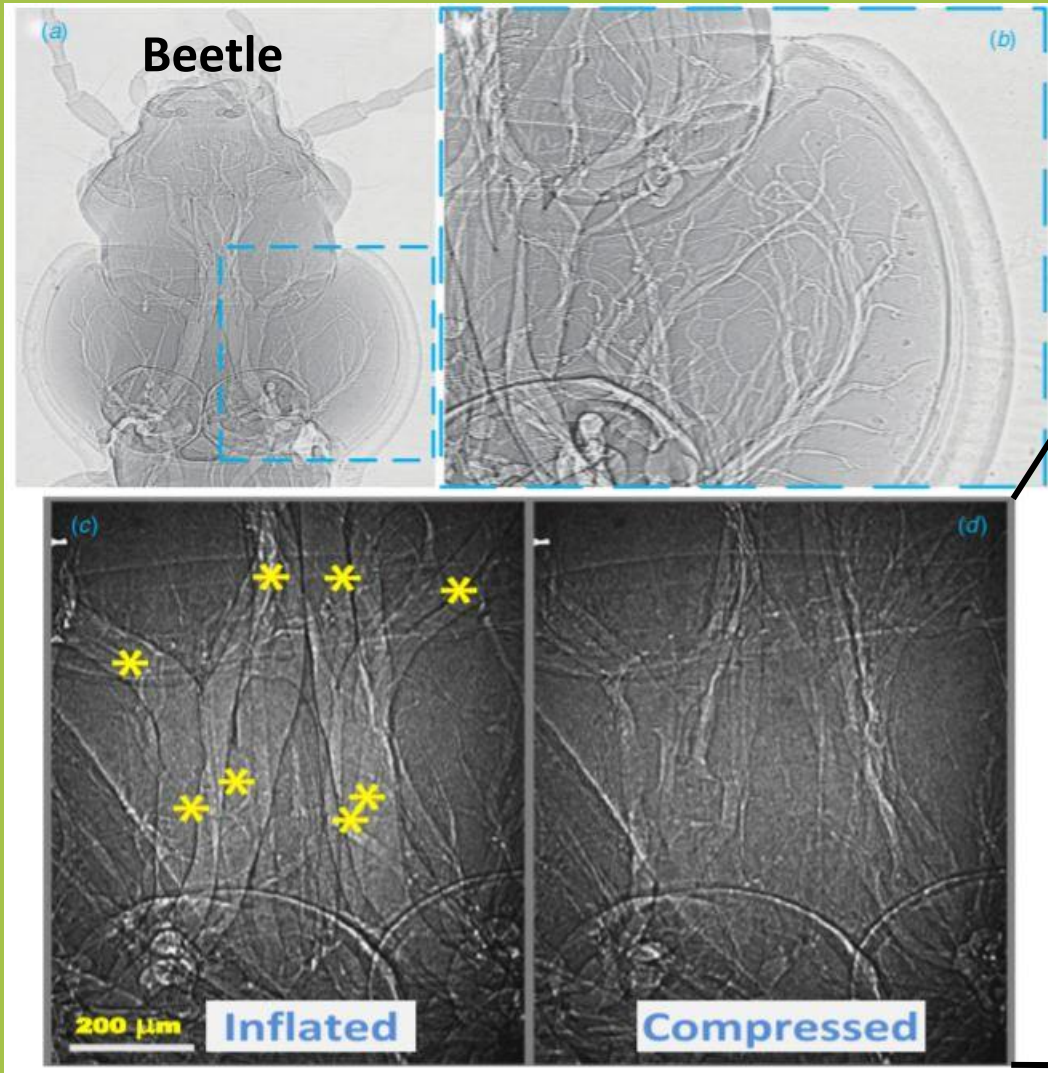
Prevent Microbes Making Colonies



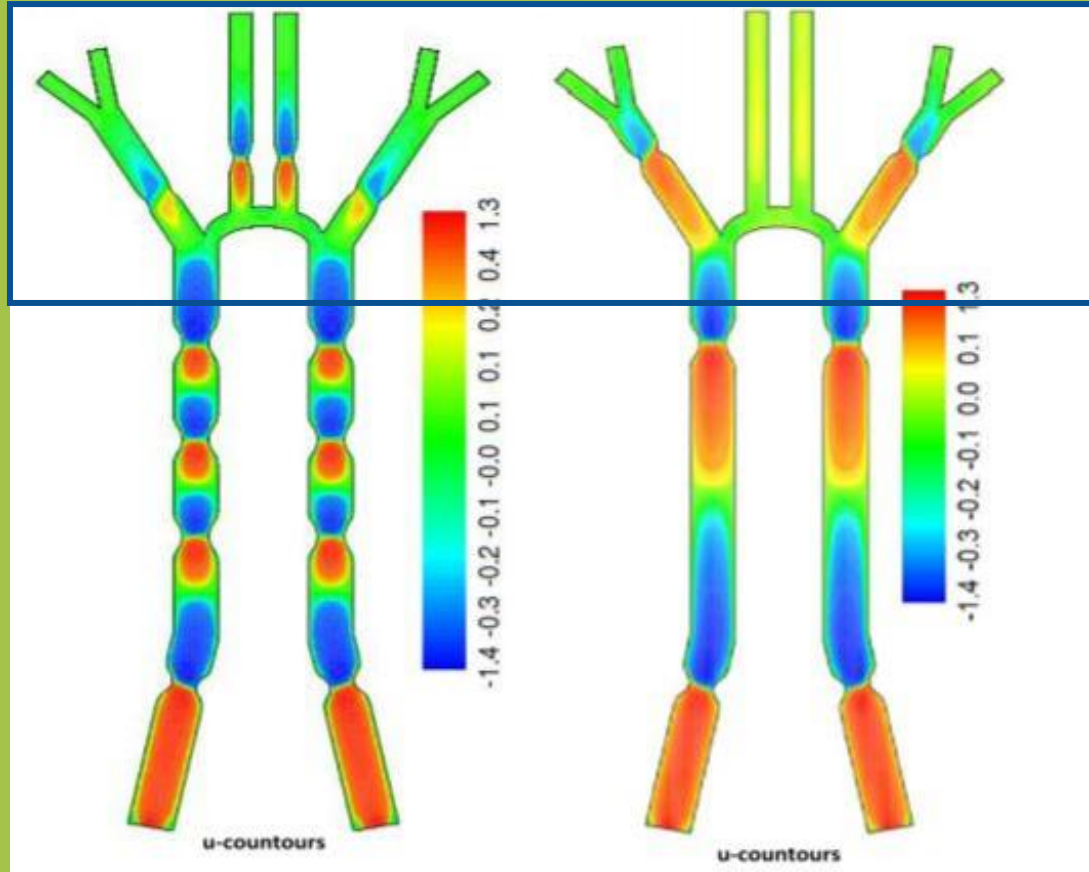
4. Insect



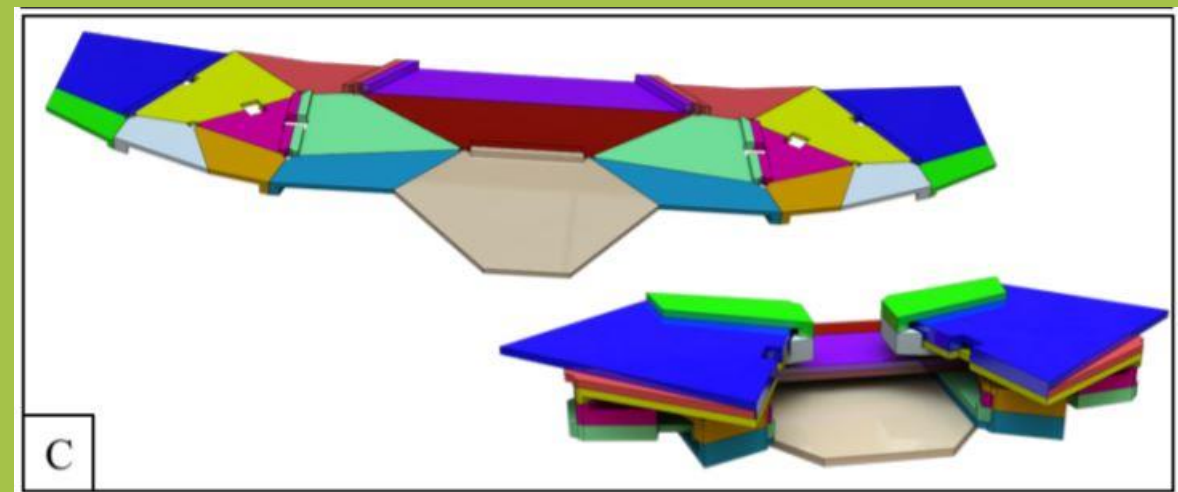
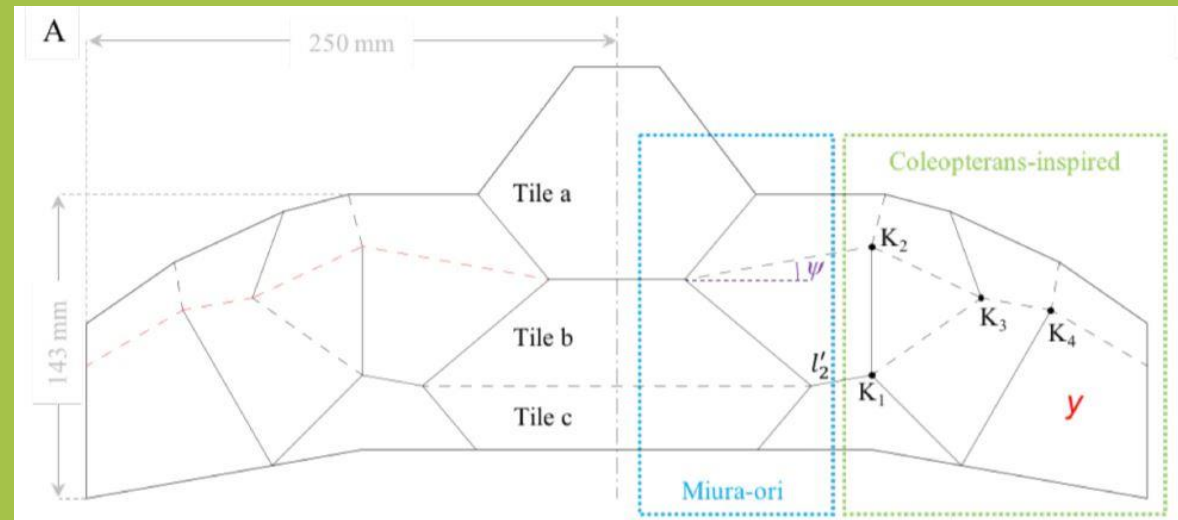
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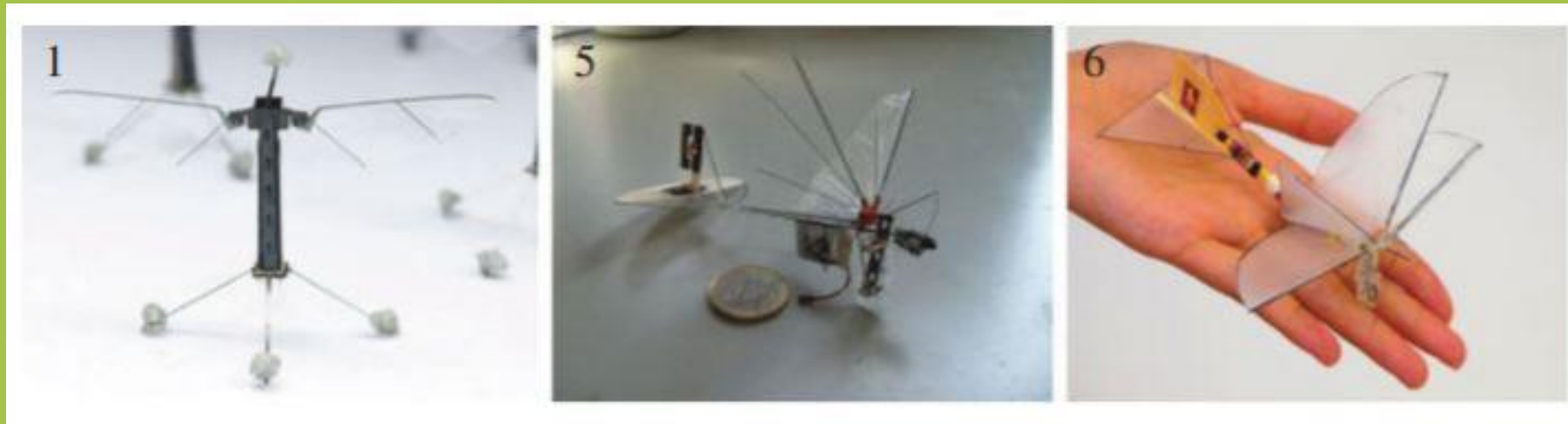
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Application from Flying Insect: Micro Air Vehicles



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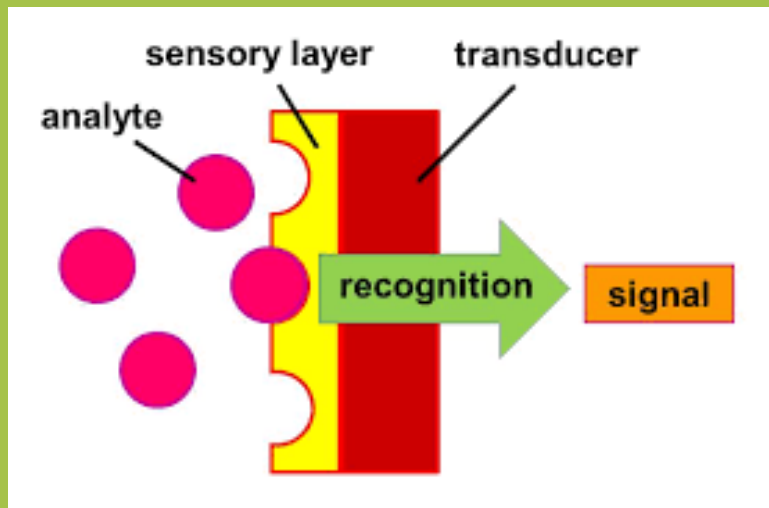


Looks simple, but works extremely well

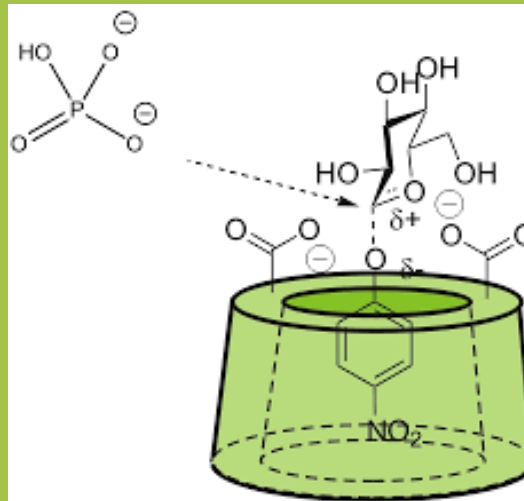


Furthermore...

Biosensors



Artificial Enzyme



Architecture



Summary

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