

# What will I get from this class?

Nanotechnology: The Basics

Week 1, Lecture 1

- Why Nanotechnology? Latest human toolmaking
- Class philosophy and target audiences
- Course structure, rhythm and expectations

# What Makes Us Human?



# When Humans Learn to Make New Materials → CHANGE

Hunter-Gatherer



The **STONE** Age

Agrarian



The **BRONZE** Age

Cities



The **IRON** Age

# Materials and Tools: They **STILL** Matter!



Extremely pure ingot of silicon -- Czochralski process

# **What comes next for humans and our tools?**

STONE AGE – humans learned to fashion tools from rock

BRONZE AGE – humans learned to smelt copper

IRON AGE – humans learned to forge iron and steel

INFORMATION age – humans learned to purify silicon

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\_\_\_\_\_ age – humans learned to make nanoscale materials

# Nanotechnology's Future: Around the corner or close?



Wearable computers



Smart Medicines

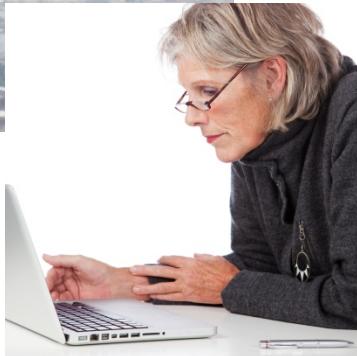


Space Elevators

# **Course Objectives**

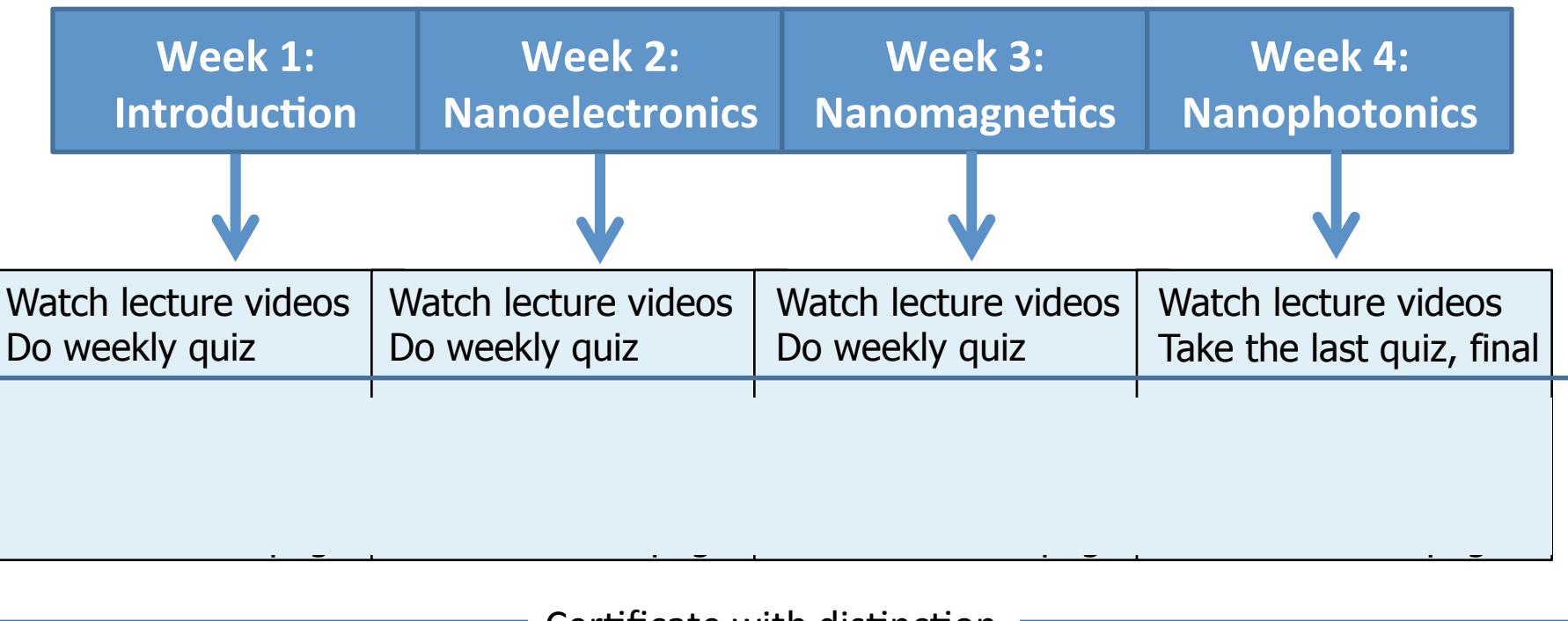
1. To define nanotechnology
2. To explain the importance of material size
3. To distinguish current vs. future nanotechnology
4. To illustrate ‘dry’ nanotechnology in electronics, magnetics and photonics

# Who are you?



- A technical student who is exploring nanotechnology as a possible career or focus for advanced degrees
- An adult learner with a keen interest in new technology and futuristic ideas
- Not an expert in nanotechnology, chemistry or physics (!)
- A BUSY person

# Breaking Down Nanotechnology



# Our Philosophy: Edit, engage and explain

**EDIT** lecture content to avoid  
overload

**ENGAGE** students through forums,  
demos, talk shows, provocative  
surveys

**EXPLAIN** key ideas in multiple ways  
so as to make a real and lasting  
impression



# Your Three Take-Homes

Week 1, Lecture 1, Nanotechnology

- Why Nanotechnology? Latest human toolmaking
- This class: a 12 hour science show you participate in!
- You = motivated (2-3 hours/week) and knowledgeable

# Defining Nanotechnology

Nanotechnology: The Basics

Week 1, Lecture 2

- Nanotechnology: diverse perspectives
- Formal definition: small (1 – 100 nm) and strange
- Nanomaterials=NanoX

# Talking About Nanotechnology

*" Nanotechnology now represents no less than the next industrial revolution"*

*" Nanotechnology is the understanding and control of matter at dimensions of roughly 1 to 100 nanometers, where unique phenomena enable novel applications"*

*"Anything is nanotechnology that, under the rubric of nanotechnology, makes money."*

*"Nanotechnology is nothing more than new age colloid science."*

Anonymous senior engineering professor, 2001 (to your professor)

Red Herring Dec 2001 A technology magazine

Scientific American, 2006, a popular science magazine

Anonymous entrepreneur, Rice Alliance event, 2006

Which quote is YOUR personal favorite? Take the PROVOCATIVE survey

# Defining Nanotechnology

*From E56 ASTM terminology standard – free on [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org)*

**nanotechnology**, *n*—A term referring to a wide range of technologies that measure, manipulate, or incorporate materials and/or features with at least one dimension between 1 and 100 nanometers. Such technologies include applications extending from microscopic devices to macroscopic systems.

**Nanotechnology  
contains stuff that is  
really SMALL and  
STRANGE**

Mate

Critic

Really bizarre and unusual properties

# US Government Defines Nanotechnology

Nanotechnology is science, engineering, and technology conducted at the nanoscale, which is about 1 to 100 nanometers.

Nanoscience and nanotechnology are the study and application of extremely small things and can be used across all the other science fields, such as chemistry, biology, physics, materials science, and engineering.

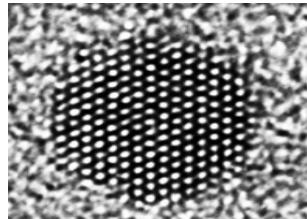
Go read <http://www.nano.gov/nanotech-101/what/definition>

# Nanomaterial versus Nanotechnology

MATERIAL



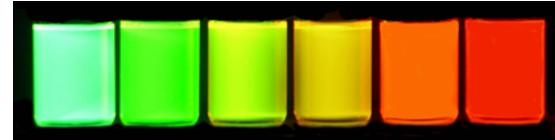
NANOMATERIAL



DEVICE



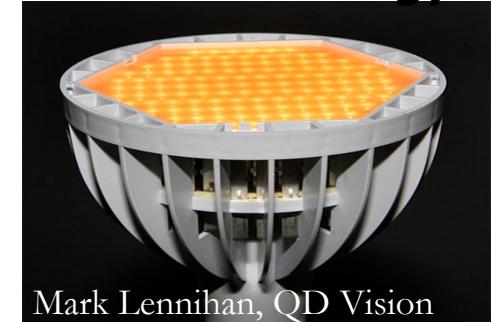
Nanoscale device or property



TECHNOLOGY

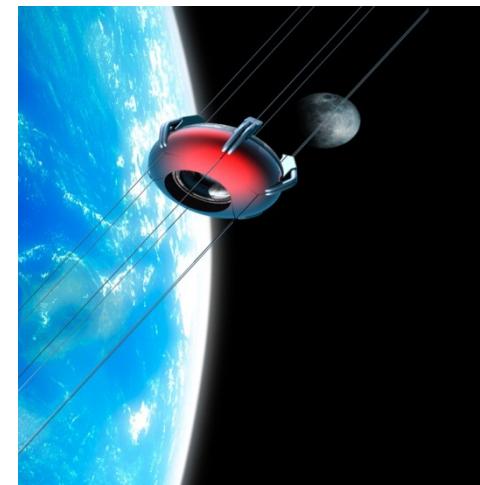
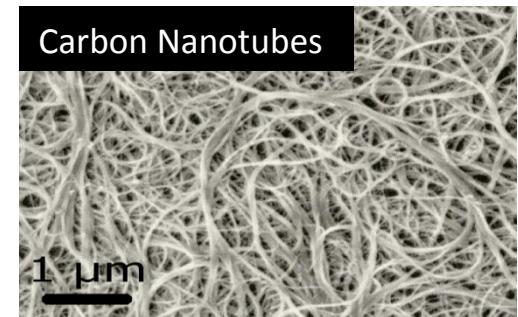
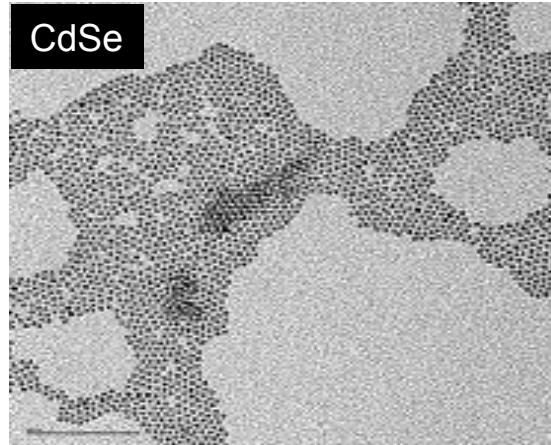
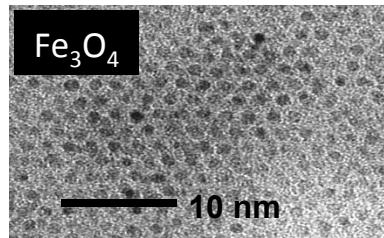


Nanotechnology



Mark Lennihan, QD Vision

# Nanomaterials: *different kinds of stuff*



# Nanotechnology: A Paradigm Shift

In Nanotechnology, what is important about materials is NOT really what they are made of, but how small they are.

This is different than every other materials age in human history.

# Your Three Take-Homes

Week 1, Lecture 2, Nanotechnology

- Nanotechnology: Small, strange and important
- There are diverse perspectives about nanotechnology
- Nanomaterials are NanoX – where X can be anything

# History of Nanotechnology

## Week 1, Lecture 3

- Nanotechnology was accidental in ancient times
- Origins of the field are in manufacturing
- Politics and nanotechnology – and the HYPE factor

# Ancient Nanotechnology?



St. Vitus Cathedral (built 1364)



Pre-1980s: people who made materials did “nano” but didn’t know it

# Feynman and the Bottom 1960s and 1970s

There's Plenty of Room  
at the Bottom

*An invitation to enter a new field of physics.*

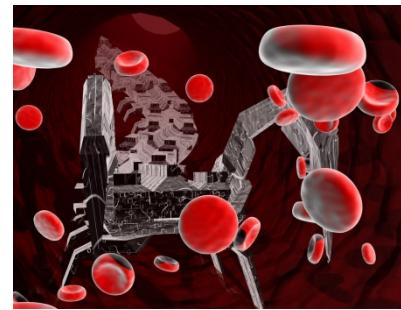
by Richard P. Feynman



Richard Feynman  
*Creative Commons*

- **Richard Feynman** – “Why can we not write the entire 24 volumes of the Encyclopedia Britannica on the head of a pin?” <http://resolver.caltech.edu/CaltechES:23.5.1960Bottom>
- **Professor Norio Taniguchi** did ultraprecision manufacturing & credited with first using the term ‘nanotechnology’

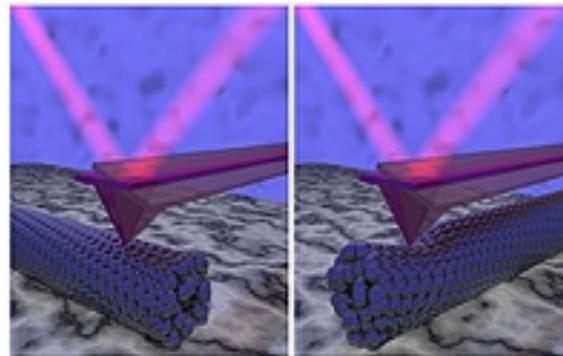
# Nanotechnology or SciFi? The 1980s



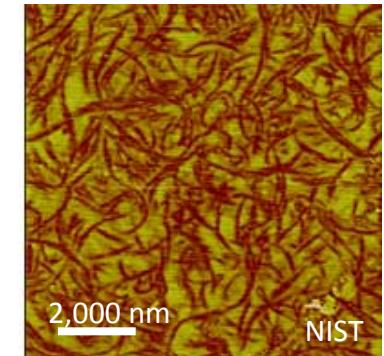
- Drexler 'Engines of Creation' – book about assembling matter
- Nanoscale robots, assembled machines, fantastic science fiction

Under resources – see debate between Rick Smalley and Eric Drexler  
Fat fingers – sticky finger in C&E News

# Nanotechnology: Visualized in the 1990s

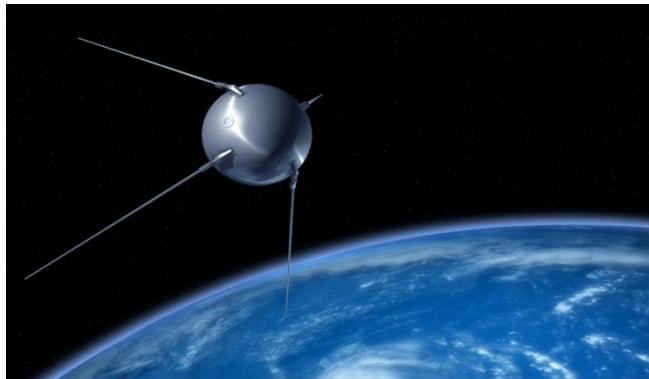


From Christian Klinkel University of Hamburg



1990s: Methods to image and study the nanoscale world ushered in nanotechnology – we did begin to control matter precisely

# Nanotechnology and Global Politics ?!



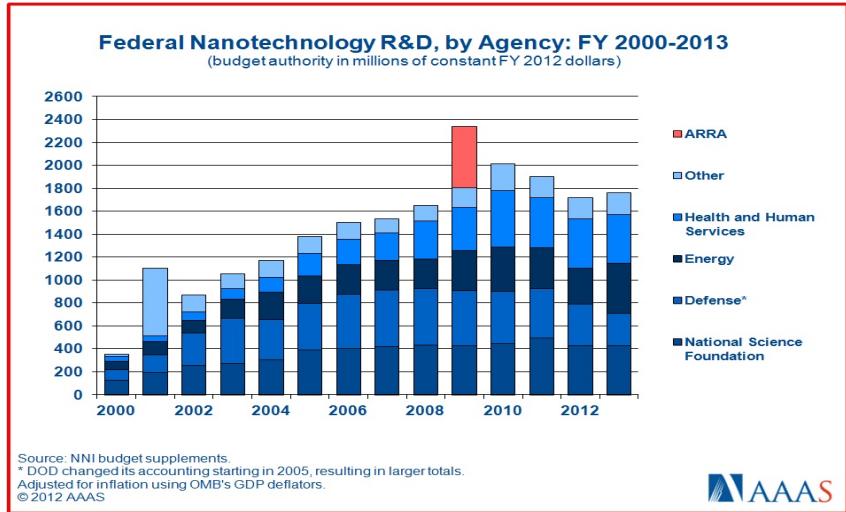
Do you know what this object is?



OK do you know now?

# The Nationalization of Nanotechnology

www.nano.gov



U.S. R&D investment in nanotechnology

**More than 15 billion dollars** in research dollars

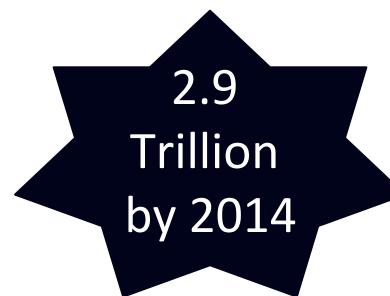
Investments relative to other countries closely scrutinized

# The HYPE Factor and Nanotechnology

'Hype': to promote or publicize a product or idea often exaggerating its importance or benefits



US NSF



LUX research

# Your Three Take-Homes

## Week 1, Lecture 3, Nanotechnology

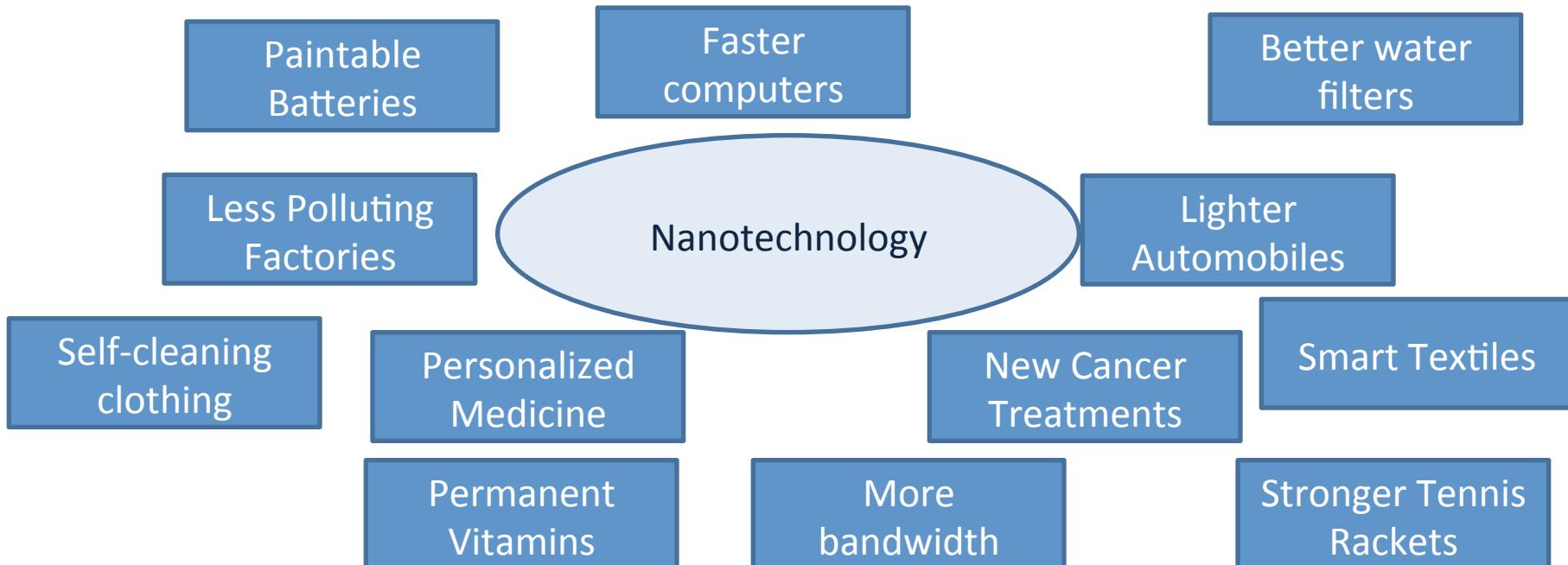
- Nanomaterials have been used for centuries, but not rationally
- It took a village: scientists, futurists, politicians, industry
- Nanotechnology is political and its hype can draw criticism

# Nanotechnology Right NOW

## Week 1, Lecture 4

- Nanotechnology is enabling to most industries
- There are examples right NOW of nanotechnology
- Most transformative applications still in the future

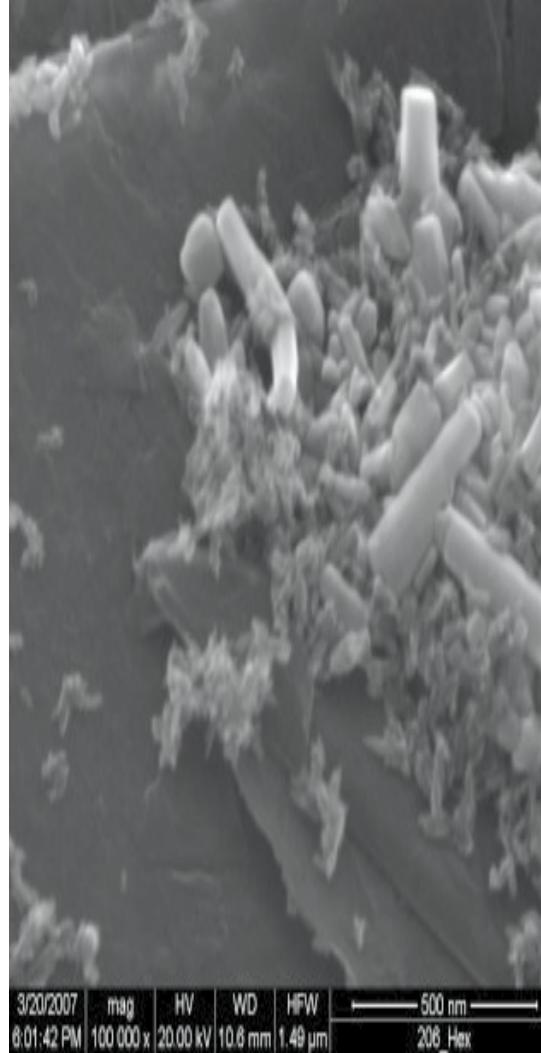
# Nanotechnology: An Enabling Technology



# Nano is Now...

Product	“Nano Inside”	Value Added
	Active Ingredient: Nanoscopic TiO <sub>2</sub> /ZnO	Transparency
	Active Ingredient: Carbon Nanotubes	Strength and Bounce
	Embedded with “Nano Whiskers”	Stain- and Wrinkle- Resistance

# Nano is ON YOU



# Nanomaterial-containing products: a web exercise

<http://www.nanotechproject.org/cpi/browse/nanomaterials/carbon-nanotube/>

Have some fun and search on carbon nanotubes: What is it with sports equipment!

Try fullerene – yes there are people who EAT nanomaterials

# Your Three Take-Homes

Week 1, Lecture 4, Nanotechnology

- Nanotechnology ENABLES other technologies
- You probably use nanotechnology in your daily life
- Most people think more is ahead of us than behind us

# Why go SMALL?

## New Worlds for Materials

### Lecture 5, Week 1 Nanotechnology

- Converting size units mathematically in the metric system
- Materials in the ‘nano’ world – between chemistry and biology in size
- Small size means that nanomaterials can interact with biological and environmental systems in new ways

# Why go Small? New Worlds



Wikipedia, fair use



Gulliver's Travels

# How Small is Small in Nanotechnology?

Nanotechnology is the application of materials with dimensions from **about** 1 to 100 nanometers!

# The Meaning of a Nanometer



$$10^{-2} \text{ m} = 1 \text{ centimeter (cm)}$$

$$10^{-3} \text{ m} = 1 \text{ millimeter (mm)}$$

$$10^{-6} \text{ m} = 1 \text{ micron (\mu m)}$$

$$10^{-9} \text{ m} = 1 \text{ nanometer (nm)}$$

$$10^{-10} \text{ m} = 1 \text{ angstrom (A or \AA)}$$

*“nano” comes from the Greek word ‘Dwarf’*

Example 1: How many nanometers are in one meter?

$$\cancel{1 \text{ meter}} \cdot \cancel{1 \text{ nm}/10^{-9} \text{ meter}} = 1,000,000,000 \text{ or one billion or } 10^9 \text{ nm}$$

Example 2: If something is 10 nm in diameter, what is its diameter in centimeters?

$$\cancel{10 \text{ nanometers}} \cdot \cancel{10^{-9} \text{ m}/1 \text{ nanometer}} \cdot \cancel{1\text{cm}/10^{-2} \text{ m}} = \cancel{10^{-6} \text{ cm}}$$

# What does 10 nm mean?

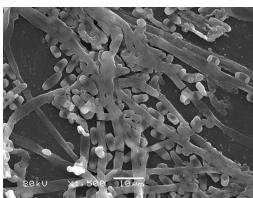
Mountain



Ant



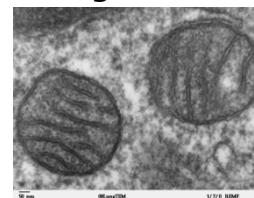
Fungi



Bacteria



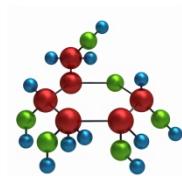
Organelle



Protein



Glucose



1 kilometer  
(1000 m)

1 millimeter  
(0.001 m)

Microns  
( $10^{-6}$  m)

Microns  
( $10^{-6}$  m)

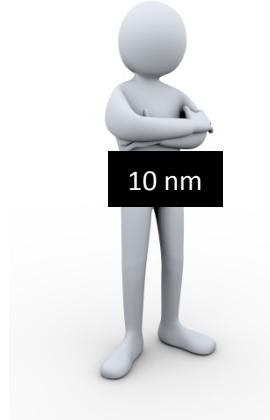
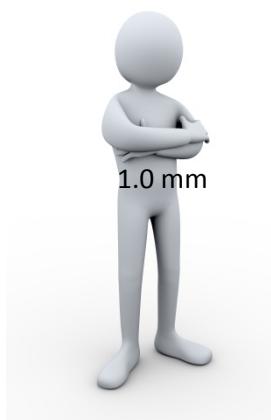
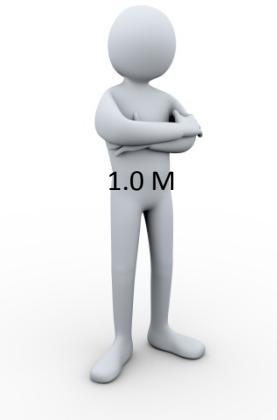
Sub-micron  
( $10^{-7}$  m)

Nanometers  
( $10^{-9}$  m)

Angstroms  
( $10^{-10}$  m)

Nano: 100 – 1 nm

# Shrinking to the Nanoworld



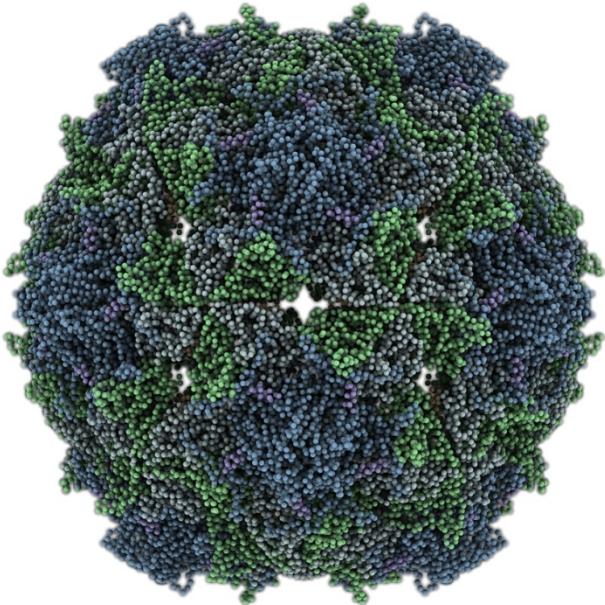
A human hair is like the island of Manhattan



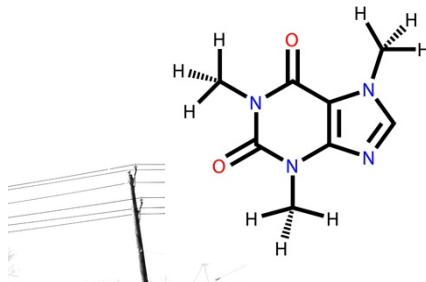
A red blood cell is like a soccer stadium



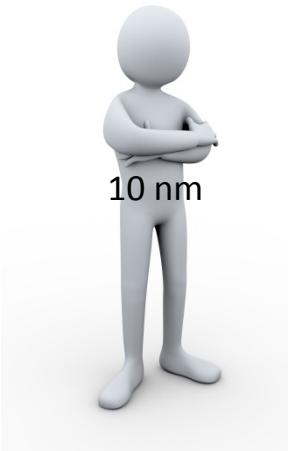
Basketball hoop= polio virus



Hydrogen atom = ping pong ball

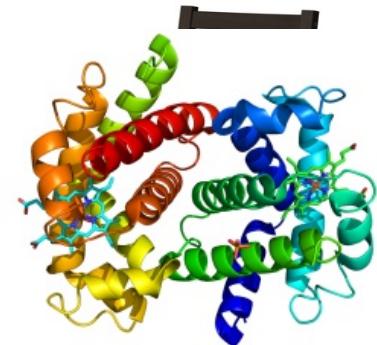


Caffeine= baseball



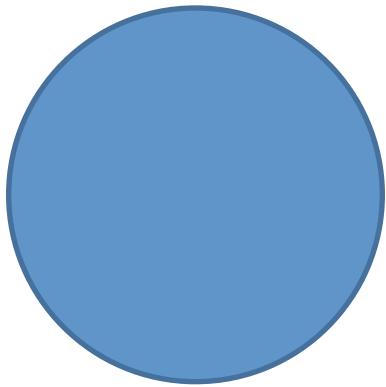
10 nm

Chair = small protein



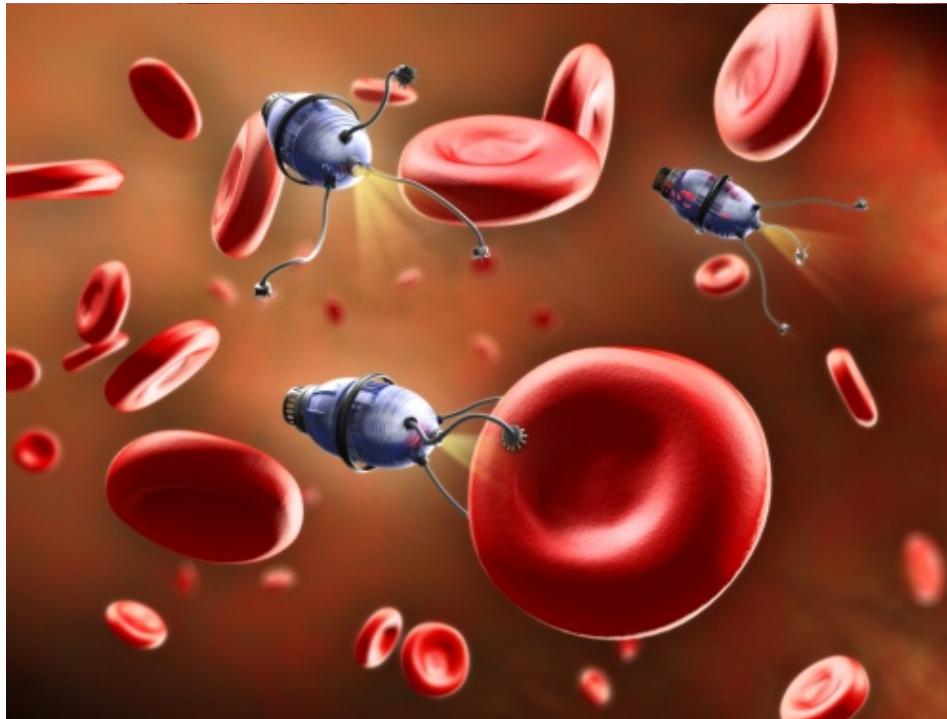
# Nanomaterials in Biology

## A New World



The “ideal” size for nanoparticle biodistribution into tumors is about 100 – 200 nm diameter

We can inject nanoparticles and they can kill tumors

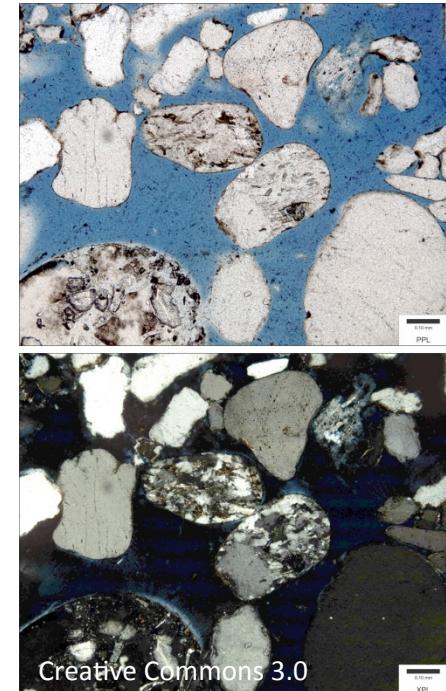


# Nanomaterials in our Environment: A New World

*Nanoparticles can move through many types of rocks (e.g. sandstones)*

*Want nanoparticles to be ten times smaller than the ‘pore throat’*

*Nanoparticles can be injected into formation to enhance imaging and literally help us ‘see’ deep underground*



# Your Three Take-Homes

## Week 1, Lecture 5, Nanotechnology

- Nanomaterials: larger than molecules, smaller than biomolecules
- Because of their size, they can ‘get into’ organisms and environmental samples.
- Being nanosized opens up new worlds for materials

# Why go SMALL? GEOMETRY

## More stuff, more surface

### Lecture 6, Week 1 Nanotechnology

- Simple geometry tell us what happens as objects get small
- You get more objects in the same volume, or weight, as you go small – more bang for your buck
- You get more surface area in the same volume, or weight, as you go small – and surface is where the action is

# Smaller Grains: More ‘objects’



1 quartz crystal



1 thousand trillion grains of sand

# Small = Greater Numbers

## *The Fruit Demo*

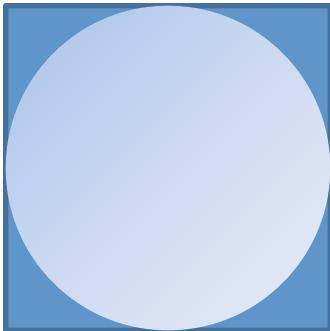


The data (in about 500 gm)

Grapefruit	1
Oranges	3
Lemons	6
Key Limes	22

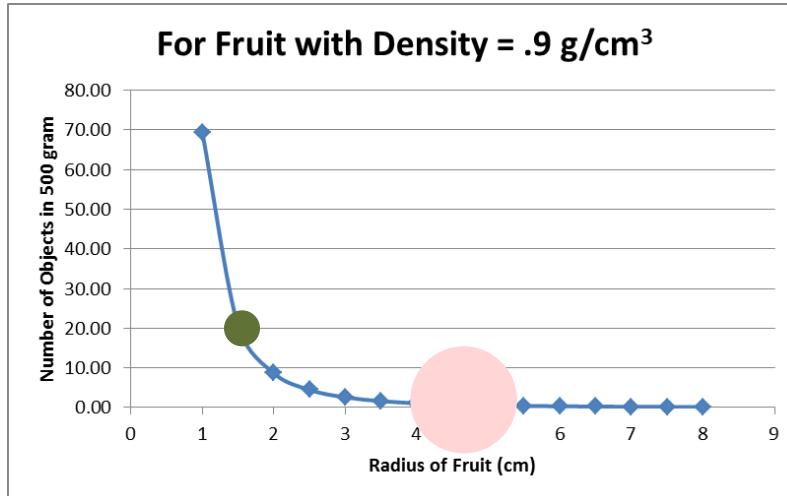
# Numbers Increase with the CUBE of Radius

$$\text{Number in 1 gram} = 1 \text{ g} \cdot (1 \text{ cm}^3/1\text{g}) \cdot (1 \text{ object}/8R^3)$$



$$V_{\text{fill}} = (2R)^3$$

$$V_{\text{obj}} = 4/3 \pi R^3 = 1.333\pi R^3$$



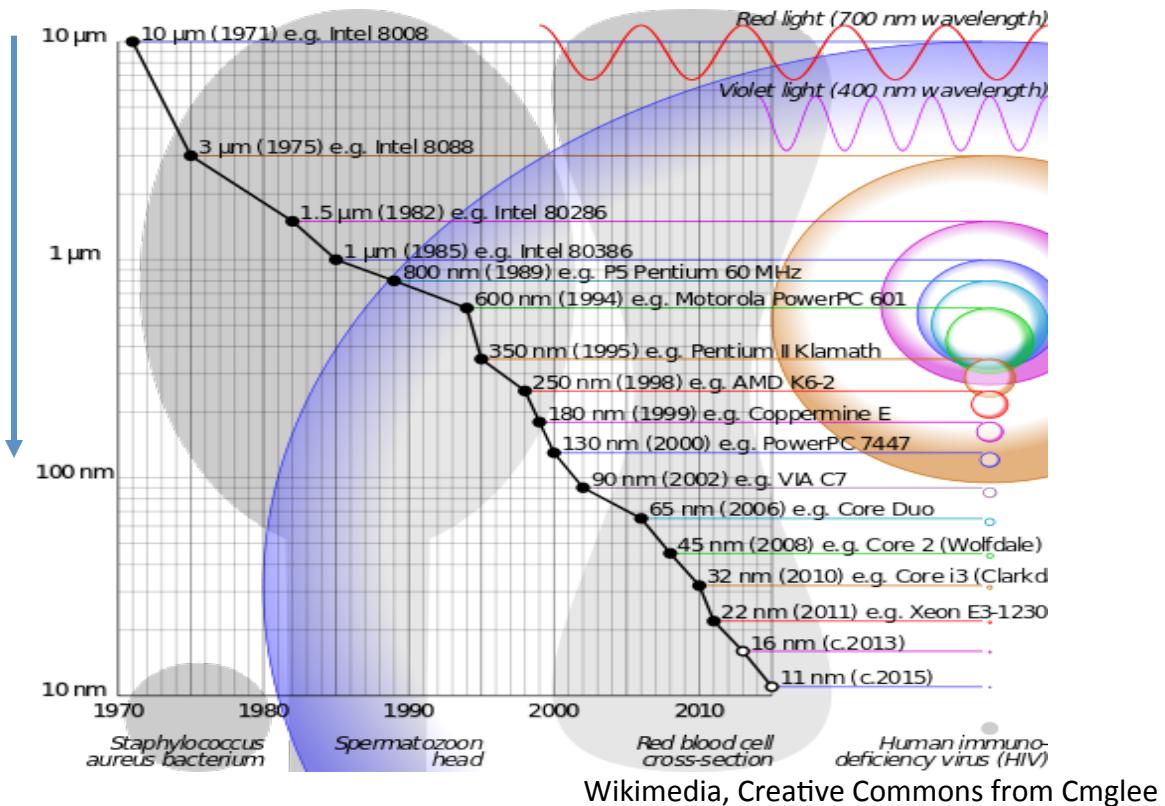
As r gets small  
Number increases

If you reduce radius ten times

Get a THOUSAND fold increase  
in number

# Smaller Things = More Devices

If we have devices with 100 times smaller feature sizes we have  $(100)^3$  or one million more devices



# Smaller Grains: More surface



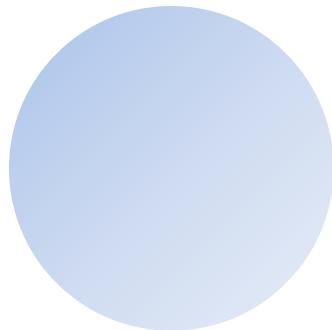
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# Surface Area Increases with the 1/Radius

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Number in 1 gram} \cdot \text{Surface area of one object} = \\ 1 \text{ g} \cdot (1 \text{ cm}^3/1\text{g}) \cdot (1 \text{ object}/8 \text{ R}^3) \cdot 4\pi\text{R}^2/1\text{object} = 1/\text{R}\end{aligned}$$



If you reduce radius ten times → Get a tenfold increase in surface area

500 grams of limes, 1 nm in radius, would have the surface area of several city blocks!!!

$$SA_{\text{object}} = 4\pi(R)^2$$

# Surfaces: Where the Action Is!



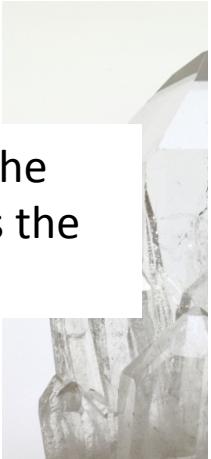
Catalysts that remove pollutants in your car → all about surface area



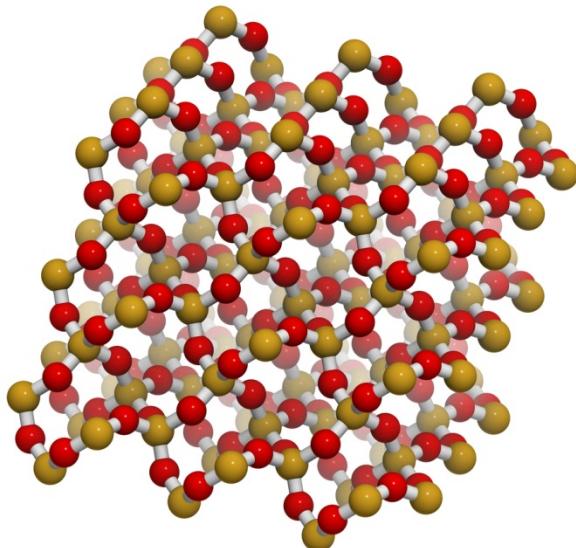
Filters for water depend on the surface of activated carbon – more surface longer lifetime

# Smaller Grains: More ‘objects’

This means the density stays the same



1 quartz c



Molecular structure of quartz is the same ‘nanosized’ as it is in the bulk

grains of sand

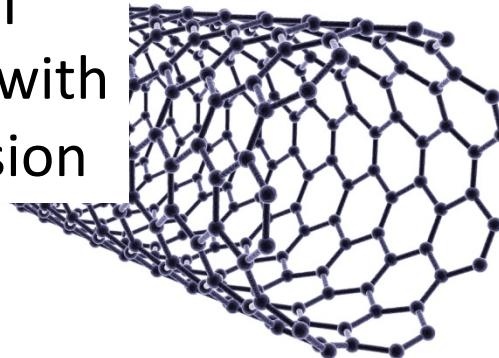
# Important Caveat: Nanomaterial Structure



Bulk Carbon



Density is NOT  
always constant with  
material dimension



Nanoscale Carbon

# Your Three Take-Homes

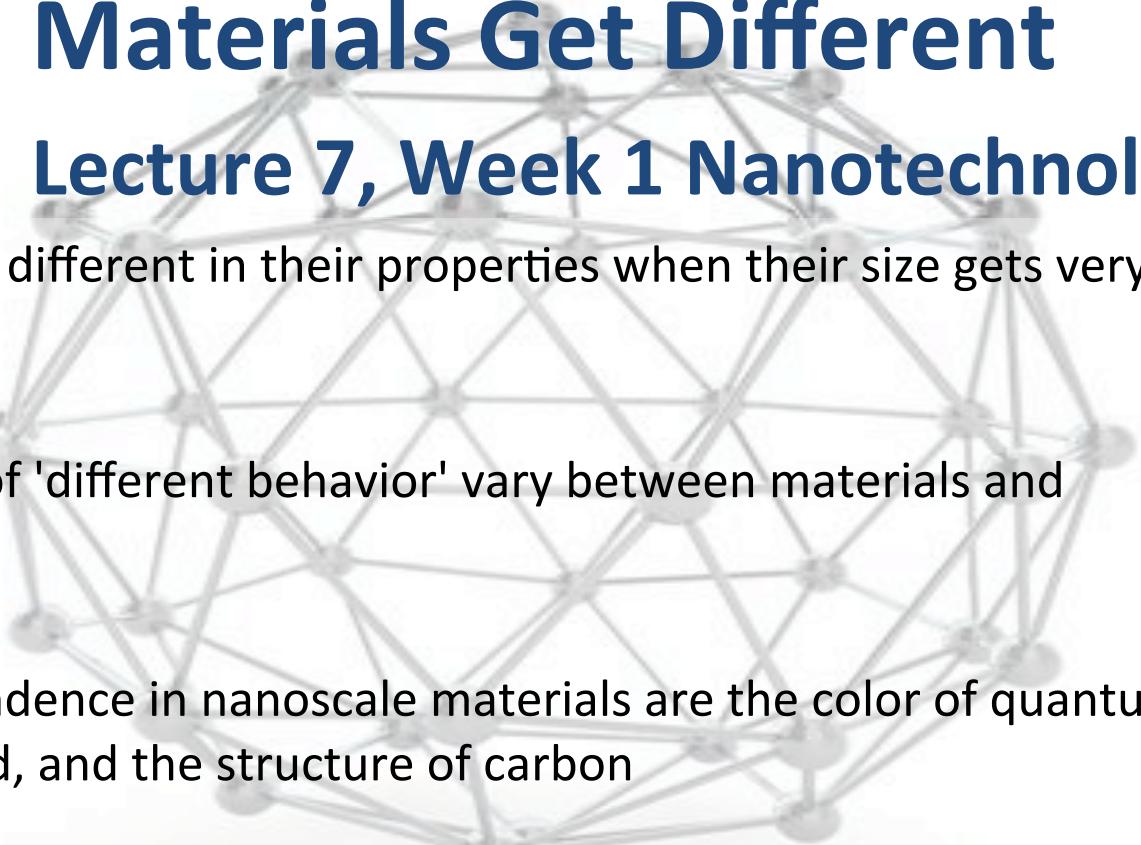
## Week 1, Lecture 6, Nanotechnology

- As you shrink the size of any object: get more of them – goes as inverse radius cubed!
- As you shrink objects: get more surface area – depends inversely on radius
- This argument is strictly geometric! Does NOT depend on what the material is made of (e.g. FRUIT = SILICON = CARBON) if the arrangement of atoms stays the same (e.g. density is size independent)

# Why go SMALL?

## Materials Get Different

### Lecture 7, Week 1 Nanotechnology

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1. Materials CAN get very different in their properties when their size gets very small
  2. The exact dimensions of 'different behavior' vary between materials and properties of interest
  3. Examples of size-dependence in nanoscale materials are the color of quantum dots, the reactivity of gold, and the structure of carbon

# Nanomaterials: THEY ARE STRANGE



← Getting Smaller →

Size matters! Micro-dog  
could become nano-cat

# The magic size?



If you cut a knife  
in half



And then in  
half again



And then in  
half again,  
and again,....

When is it no longer a knife?

- A) As soon as you cut it once
- B) When the knife can no longer cut anything
- C) When the knife is too small to be held by a person
- D) Never, it will always have a 'knifelike' identity

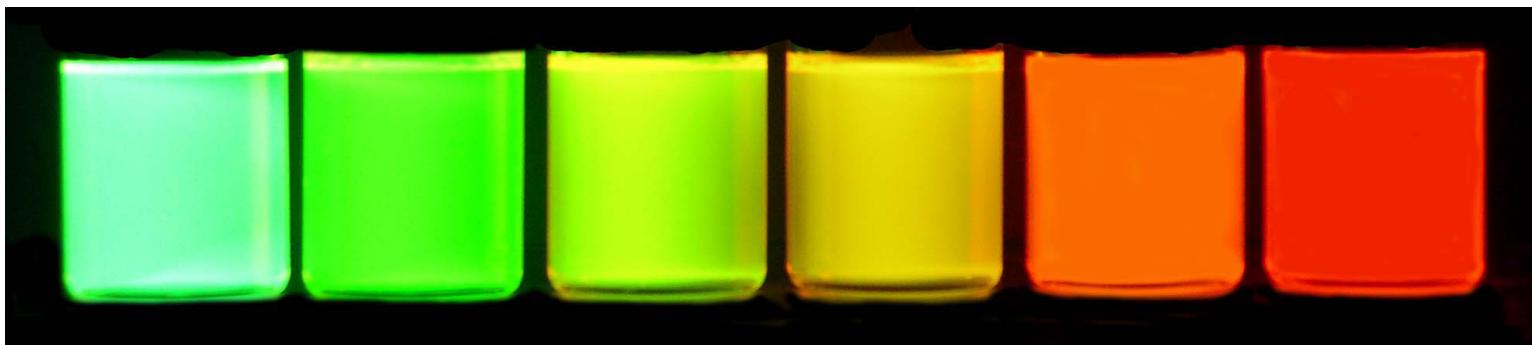
# Many Types of Material Properties to Consider

	NanoX	NanoY
Optical		
Magnetic		
Mechanical		
Electrical		
Catalytic		
Sorptive		

The importance of ‘size’ to a material depends on what property you care about

# Example 1: Quantum Dots

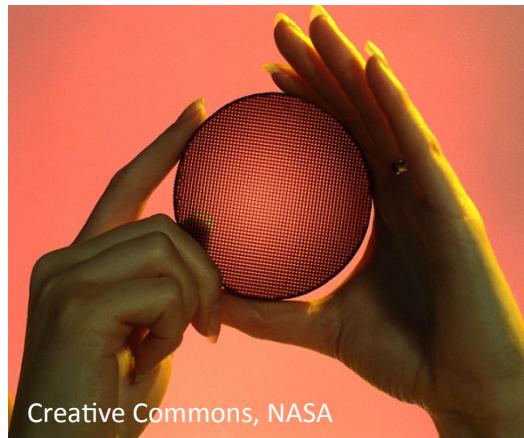
## *Optical Properties*



3 nm

6 nm

# Example 2: Reactive Gold

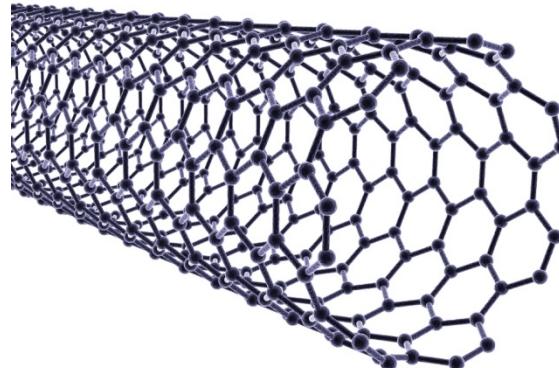
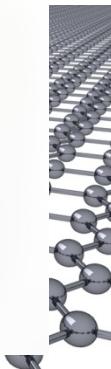


- Discovery of gold catalysis in nanoscale clusters (1986)
- Selective oxidation of hydrocarbons, CO for industrial processes
- Best when sizes are well under 3 nanometers

# Example 3: Carbon *Structural Properties*



Bulk Carbon



Nanoscale Carbon

# Your Three Take-Homes

## Week 1, Lecture 7, Nanotechnology

- Materials don't just get smaller, they CAN get different
- “Unique” nanoscale behavior is associated with transformative technologies
- This is very materials dependent! FRUIT ≠ SILICON ≠ CARBON

ONE BIG TAKE-HOME: We go small to explore new worlds, get more objects and surface area, and to make materials act totally differently from their bulk counterparts

# The Nanotechnology ZOO

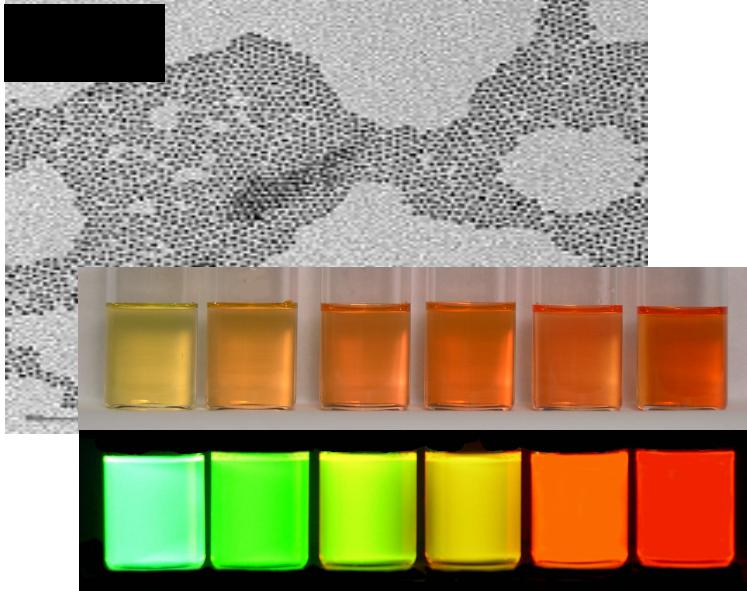
## Part 1

### Lecture 8, Week 1 Nanotechnology

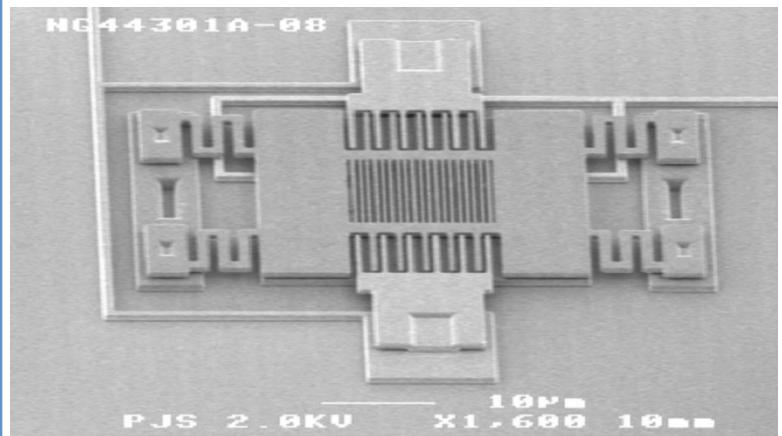
- Anything can be nano - NanoX
- A few broad classes of materials
- First: Nano-semiconductors, nano-metals

# Nanotechnology = nanomaterials

*“Bottoms-up” nanostructures*



*“Top-down” nanostructures*



CREDIT: Keeler, Sandia National Laboratory.  
A grating to study fine movement.

# Remember this?

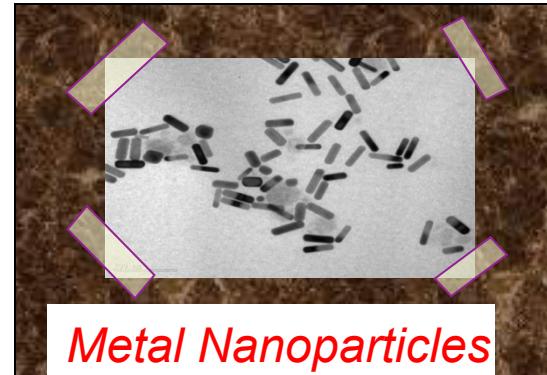
# Anything can be NanoX

Group → 1 ↓ Period	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
1	1 H															2 He		
2	3 Li	4 Be										5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne	
3	11 Na	12 Mg										13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar	
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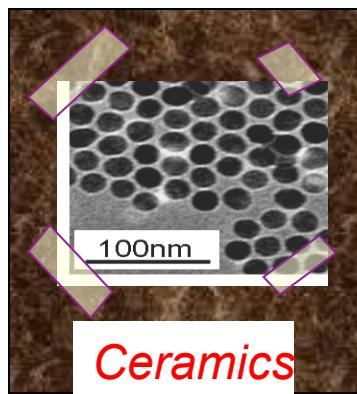
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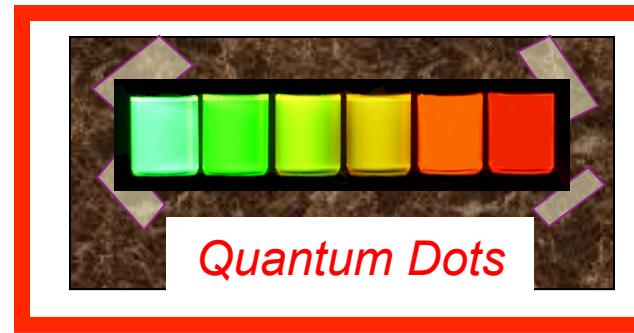
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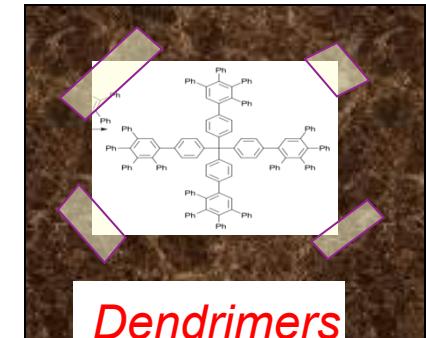
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*Ceramics*



*Quantum Dots*

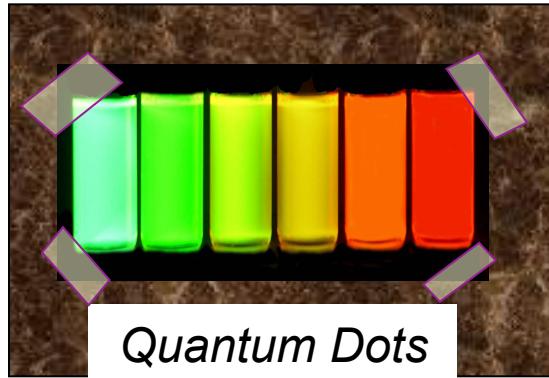


*Dendrimers*

*NEXT*

# Quantum Dots

(e.g. Semiconductor Nanocrystals)



What? Nanosized semiconductors

Who sells? Small companies, \$\$\$

When? Mid-1980s, classic systems

How? Liquid phase & Lithography

Formats? In solution, deposited  
films, embedded in devices

Key concept: Quantum Confinement

# Quantum Confinement

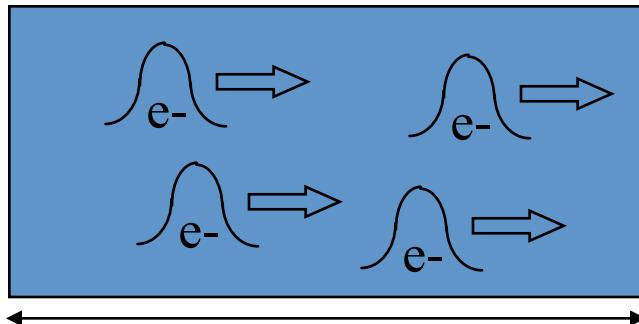


When you make a string shorter, what happens to its sound?

Electron waves in smaller spaces have greater/lesser energy??

Electron waves in smaller spaces are more likely to decay by recombination.

# Color of semiconductors – electron waves



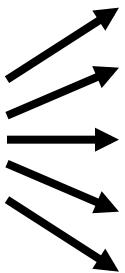
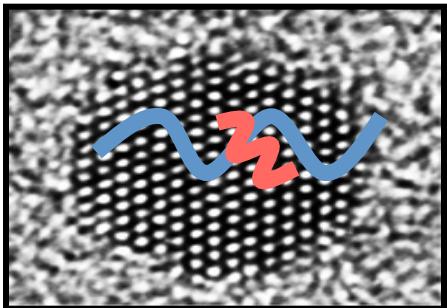
Charges in semiconductors are a certain “size”: they are really waves.

3 inches across

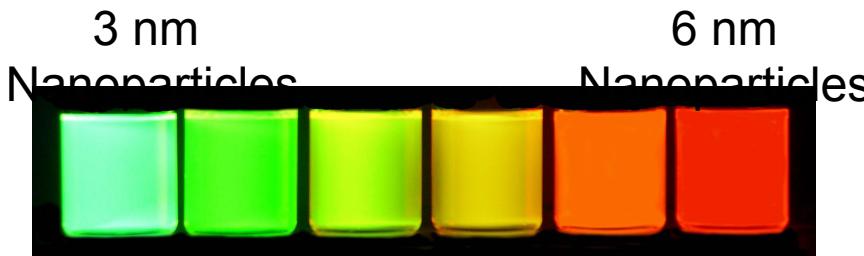
Semiconductor	Size of Electron Waves
Silicon	~ 20 nm
CdSe	~ 6 nm
Gallium Arsenide	~ 10 nm

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU MAKE THE SUBSTANCE SMALLER?

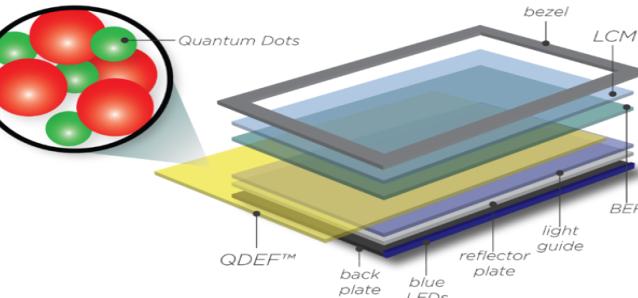
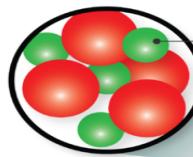
# Size Dependent EMISSION: Big Win



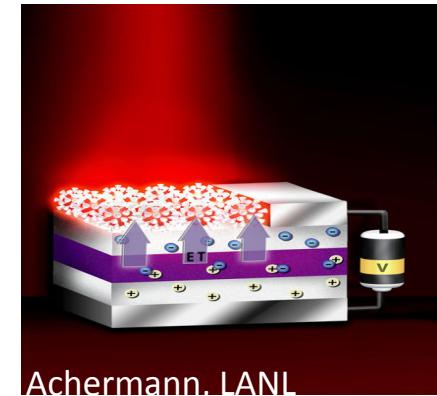
- Tunable color (size)
- Higher quantum yields
- Little photobleaching



# Quantum Dots: Why?



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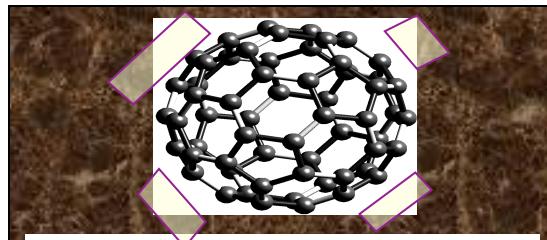
Biological labeling, better lightbulbs, efficient LEDs

# The Stand-Out Features of Nanomaterial Types

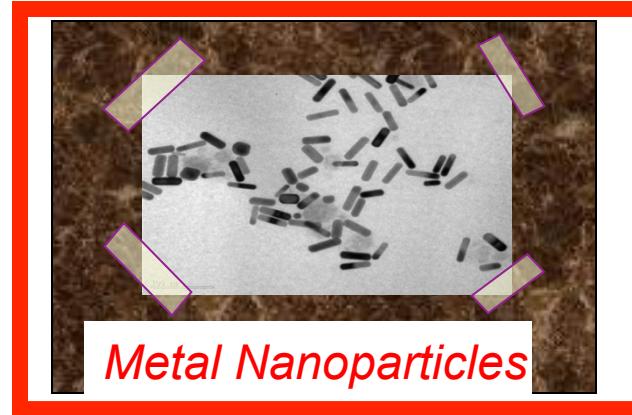
	Quantum Dots	Metals	Ceramics	Carbons	Organic
Optical	★ ★ ★				
Magnetic					
Mechanical					
Electrical	★ ★				
Catalytic					
Sorptive	★				

What was weird about semiconductors on the nanoscale? What use is their being small?

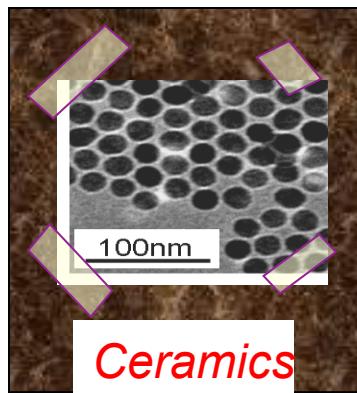
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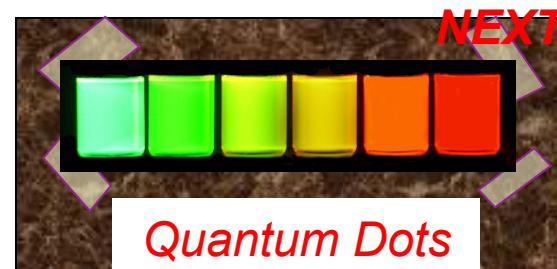
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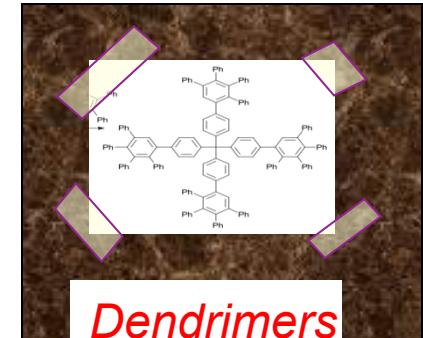
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*Ceramics*



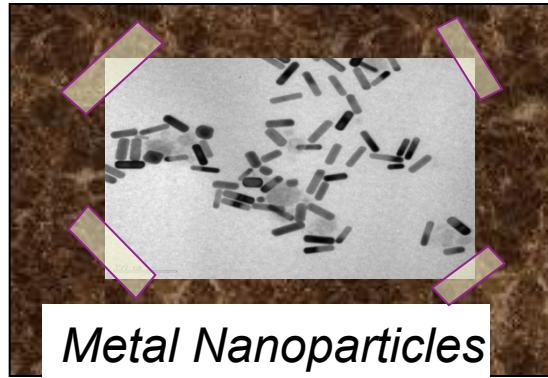
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*Dendrimers*

*NEXT*

# Metal Nanostructures

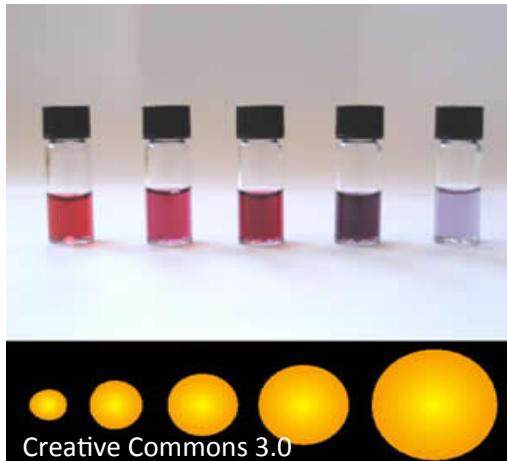


What? Nanosized metals  
When? Oldest nanomaterial !  
How? Liquid, gas phase bottoms-up  
Formats? In solution, deposited films, embedded in devices

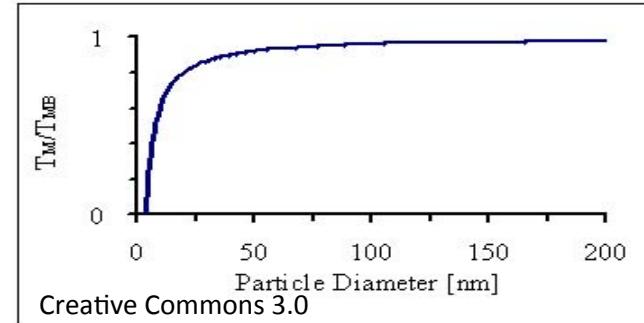
Examples of material composition:

Noble metals: Au, Ag, Pd, Pt ....  
Others: Co, Ni, ....

# Metal Nanoparticles: Why?



Optical properties vary with size



Melting point decreases with size (gold)

1. Aluminum – explosives
2. Molecular electronics, sensing, electrodes
3. Catalysts for selective oxidation

# The Stand-Out Features of Nanomaterial Types

	Quantum Dots	Metals	Ceramics	Carbons	Organic
Optical	★ ★ ★	★ ★			
Magnetic		★			
Mechanical					
Electrical	★ ★	★ ★			
Catalytic		★ ★			
Sorptive	★				

# Your three take-home messages

## Week 1, Lecture 8, Nanotechnology

- Materials don't just get smaller, they CAN get different
- This is very material-dependent! FRUIT ≠ SILICON ≠ CARBON
- Many different materials: a VERY broad field

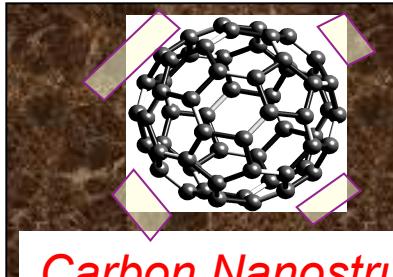
# The Nanotechnology ZOO

## Part 2

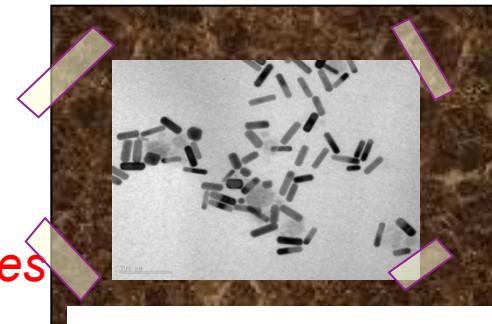
### Lecture 9, Week 1 Nanotechnology

- Continuing the tour through the zoo...
- Nano-ceramics
- Nano-carbon

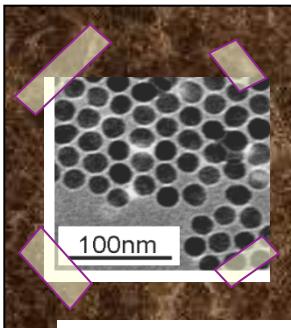
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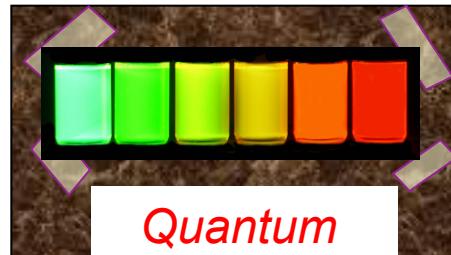


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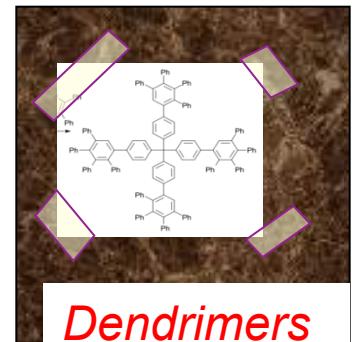


*Ceramics*

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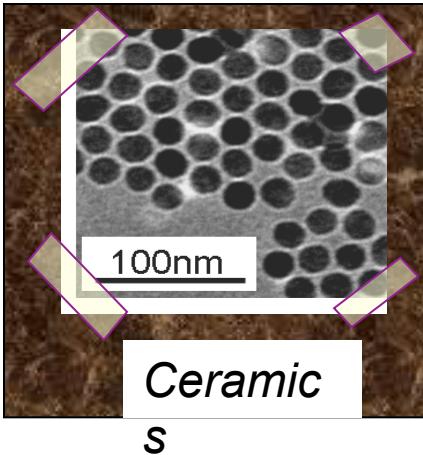


*Quantum Dots*



*Dendrimers*

# Ceramics (e.g. oxides)



What? Nanosized oxides

When? Mid-1980s, classic systems

How? Liquid and gas phase

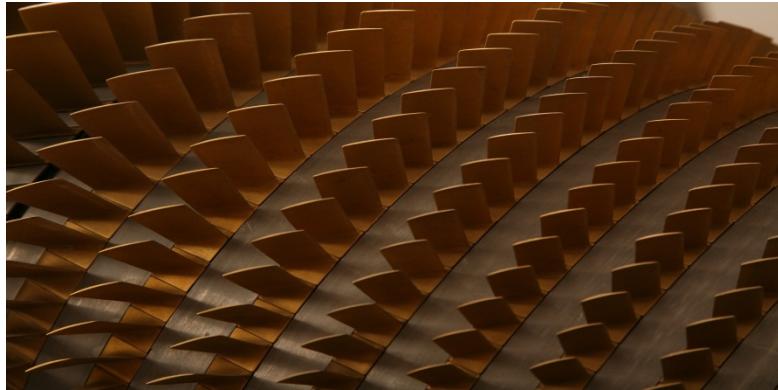
Formats? Deposited films, elements  
in nanocomposites

Examples of material compositions:

*TOO MANY TO LIST!!*

Iron oxides, Maganese oxides, Titanium dioxide ....

# Nanoceramics: Why?



*nanoZrO<sub>2</sub>: Protecting turbines*



*nanoTiO<sub>2</sub>: Self-cleaning glass*

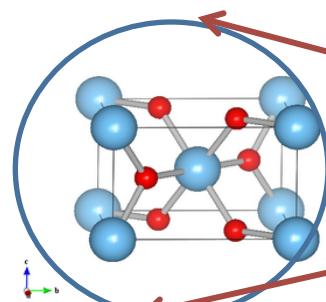
1. Catalysis – photocatalysis of titania
2. Magnetic materials
3. Super strong and plastic coatings

# Titania: The Material

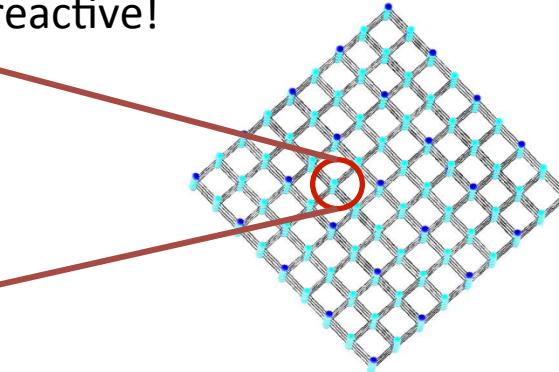
Rutile  $\text{TiO}_2$ : a mineral



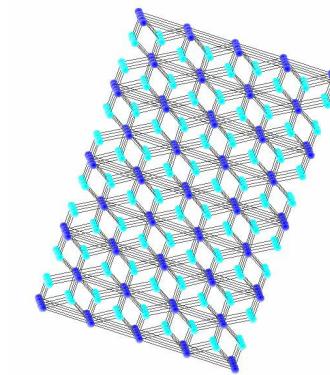
Ti-OH at the surface of anatase:  
reactive!



*An octahedra of  
Titanium and Oxygen*

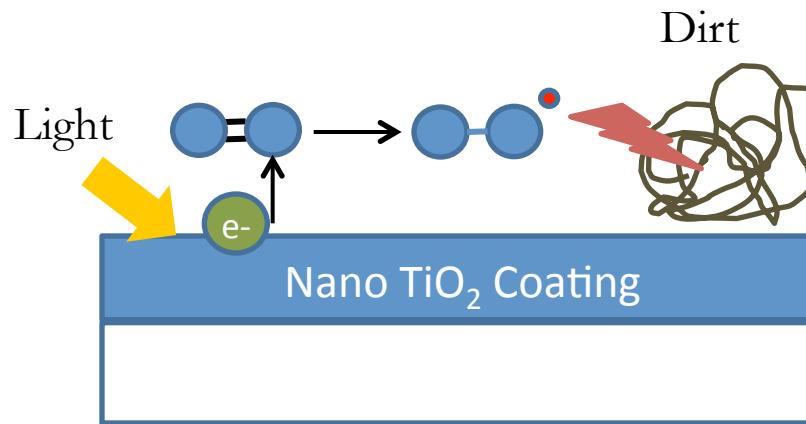


Anatase: Photoactive



Rutile: Inert

# Mechanism for Cleaning



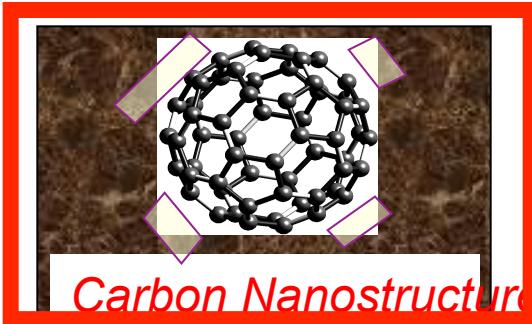
*Does the high surface area of nanotitania help or hurt this application?*

*Why does the surface eject an electron upon absorption of light?*

# The Stand-Out Features of Nanomaterial Types

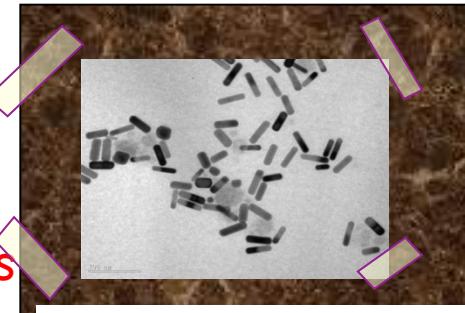
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Optical	★ ★ ★	★ ★	★		
Magnetic		★	★ ★ ★		
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Electrical	★ ★	★ ★			
Catalytic		★ ★	★ ★		
Sorptive	★				

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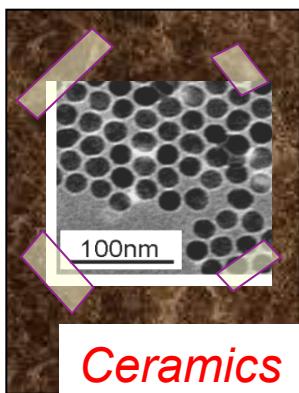


# Carbon Nanostructures

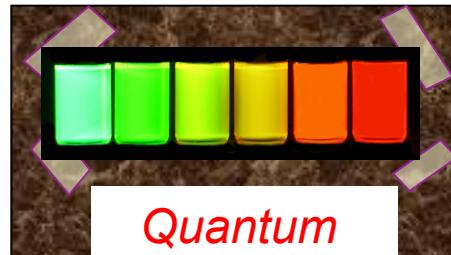
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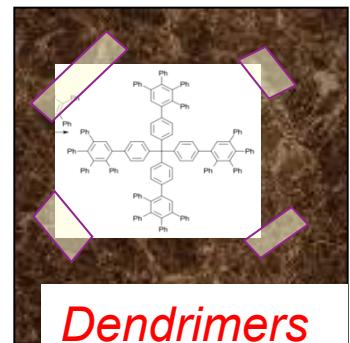
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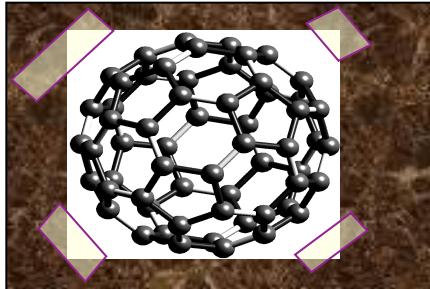
# Ceramics



# Quantum Dots



# Carbon Nanostructures



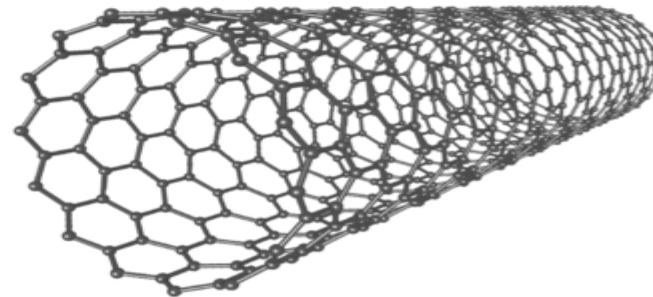
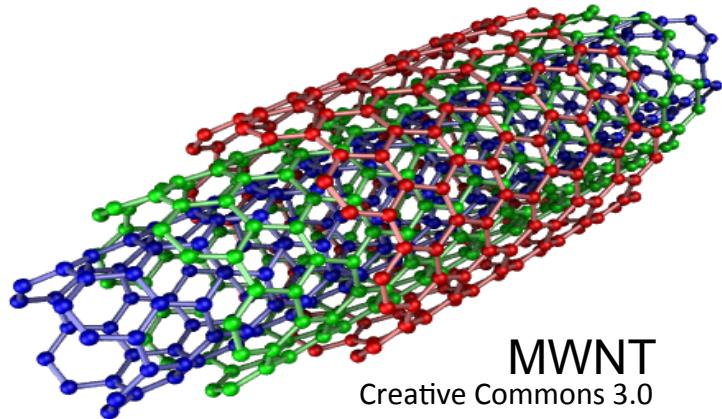
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When? Mid-1980s, classic systems

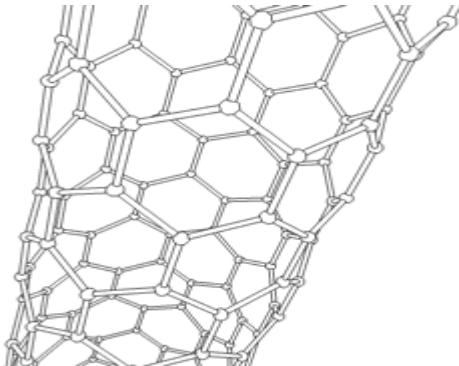
How? Gas phase

Formats? In solution, deposited films, embedded in devices

*Carbon Nanostructures*

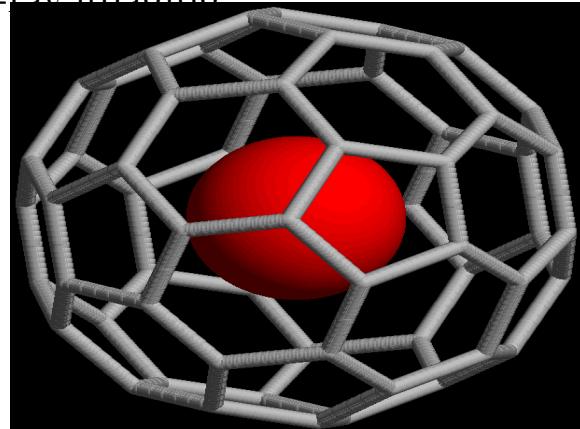


# Carbon Nanostructures: Applications



Carbon nanotubes as  
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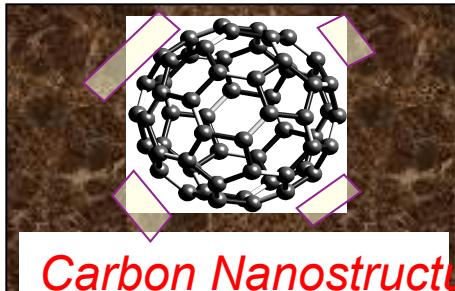
A buckyball encapsulating a metal  
atom –contrast agents for MRI or  
x-ray imaging



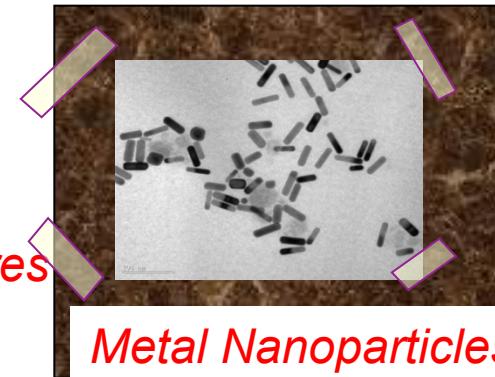
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Optical	★ ★ ★	★ ★	★	★	
Magnetic		★	★ ★ ★		
Mechanical			★ ★	★ ★ ★	
Electrical	★ ★	★ ★		★ ★ ★	
Catalytic		★ ★	★ ★		
Sorptive	★			★ ★	

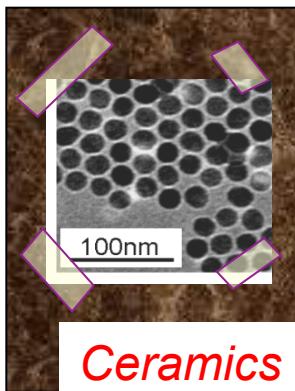
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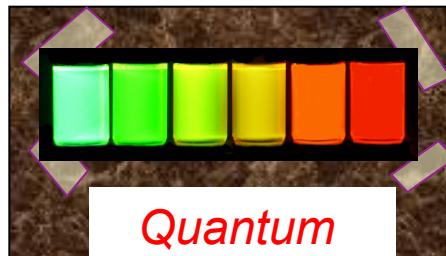
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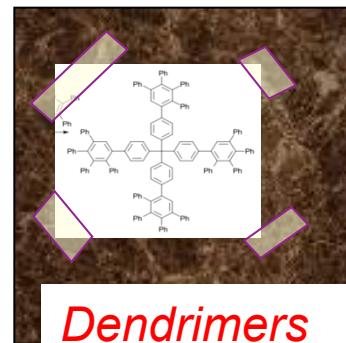
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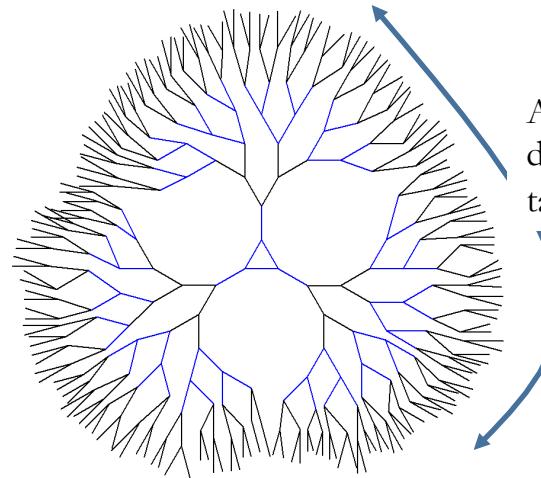
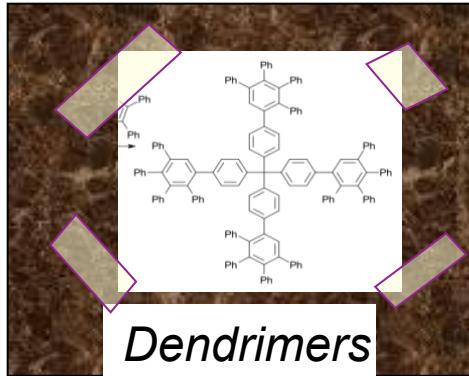
# Organic Nanostructures

What? Nanosized polymers

When? Mid-1980s, classic systems

How? Polymer synthesis

Formats? Solution, deposited films



Applications: drug delivery, gene delivery, encapsulation of other nanoparticles

	Quantum Dots	Metals	Ceramics	Carbons	Organic
Optical	★ ★ ★	★ ★	★	★	
Magnetic		★	★ ★ ★		
Mechanical			★ ★	★ ★ ★	★ ★
Electrical	★ ★	★ ★		★ ★ ★	
Catalytic		★ ★	★ ★		
Sorptive	★			★ ★	★ ★ ★

# Sizes and critical sizes (in nm)

	Lower end size	Higher end size	Critical size for nanomaterial to be different than bulk
Quantum dots	1 nm	15 nm	~ 15 nm for CdSe, emission
Metals	1 nm	100 nm	100 nm for Au, scattering
Ceramics	2 nm	50 nm	~ 40 nm for magnetic ( $H_c$ )
Carbons	.7 nm	2 nm	- <i>all different, structure -</i>
Organics	1 nm	100 nm	<i>Size dependence only S/V</i>

Generally true for isolated nanoparticles produced in bottoms-up methods

# Your three take-home messages

## Week 1, Lecture 9, Nanotechnology

- Size matters: properties change on the nanoscale
- This is very materials dependent! FRUIT ≠ SILICON ≠ CARBON
- Nano-ceramics (metal oxides), nano-carbon, nano-polymers