

Nanoparticle Technology

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What is nanotechnology?

What is nano?

- Origin

The word “nano” is originated from and the Greek “nanos” which means “dwarf” (i.e. an abnormally short person).

- Definition

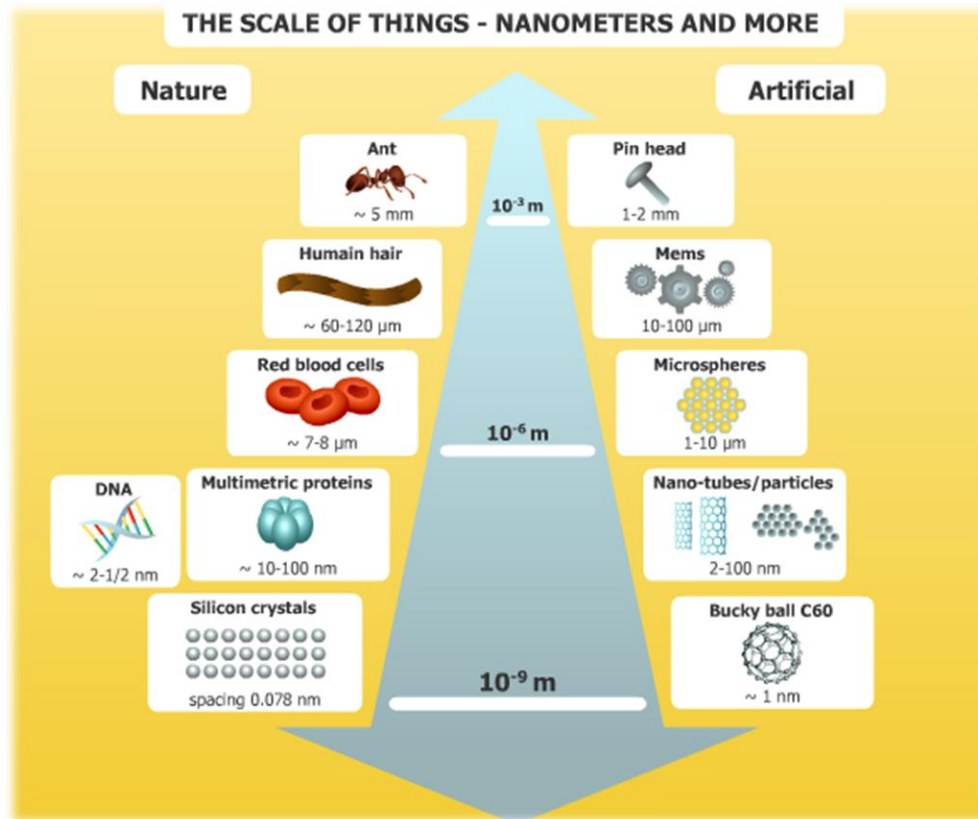
1. Denoting 10^{-9} or one billionth (i.e. $1 \text{ nm} = 10^{-9} \text{ m}$)
2. Indicating extreme smallness



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How small is nanoscale?

- Absolute value -



- Relative value -

1 Earth

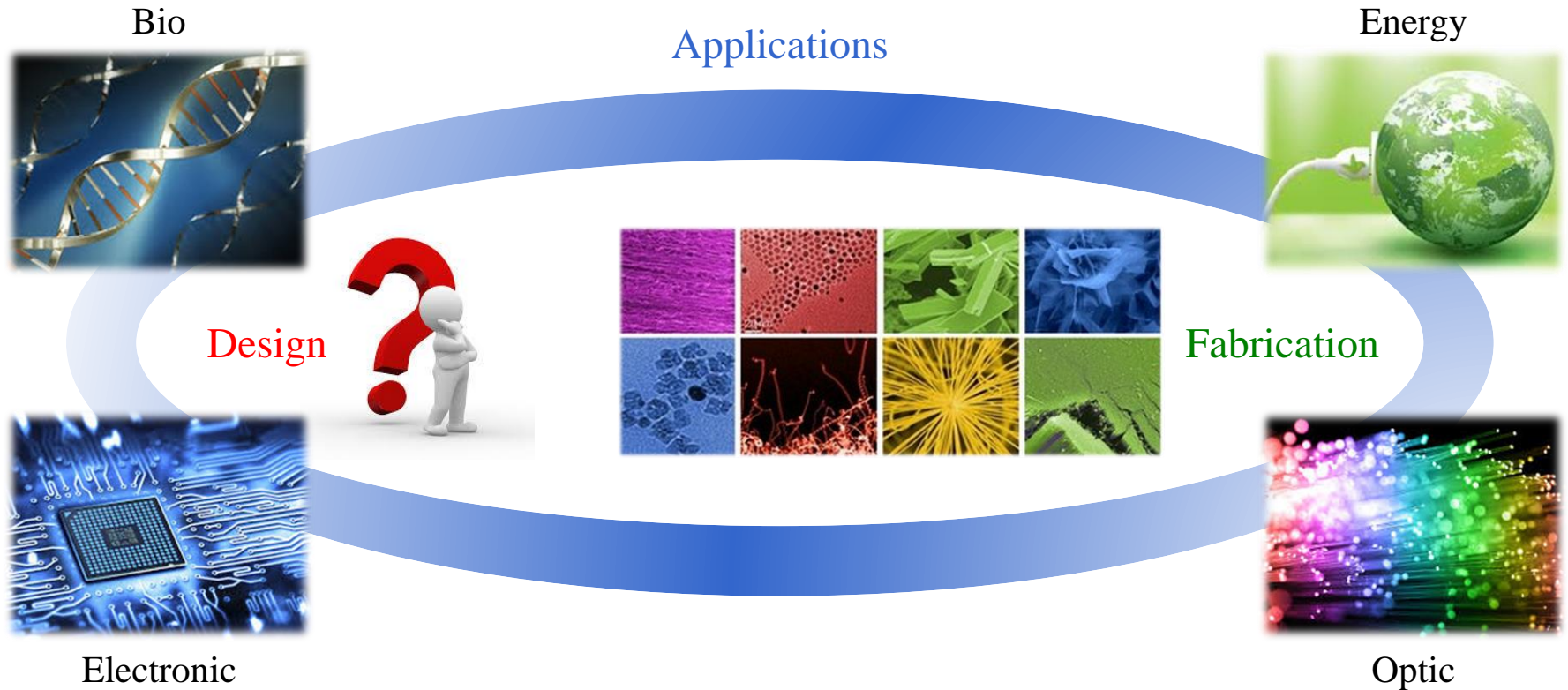


$\sim 10^9$ Golf balls

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What is nanotechnology?

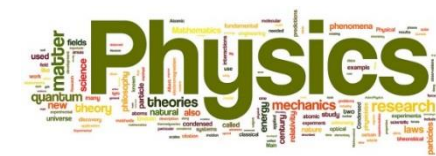
- In general, nanotechnology can be understood as a technology of design, fabrication and applications of nanostructures and nanomaterials.



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What is nanotechnology?

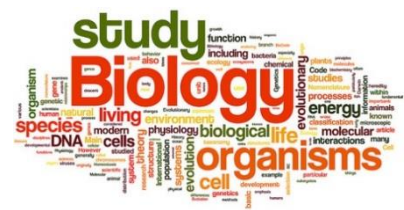
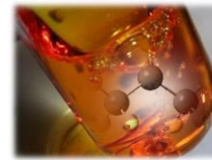
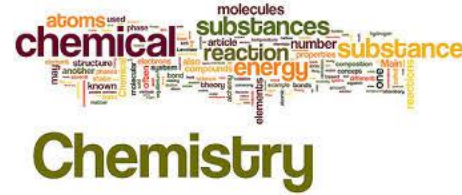
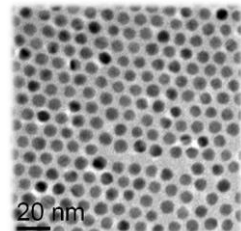
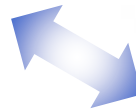
- Nanotechnology is an interdisciplinary which needs physics, chemistry, engineering, biology and etc..



$$\Delta G_c = \frac{16\pi\gamma^3 V_m^2}{3(RT \ln S)^2}$$



The Price?
GOOD QUESTION!



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What happens in nanometer scale?

- Materials in **micrometer scale** mostly exhibit physical properties the **same** as that of bulk.
- Materials in **nanometer scale** may exhibit physical properties the **different** from that of bulk.

Optic property (color change of CdSe)



CdSe powder
Color: red

CdSe nanoparticle

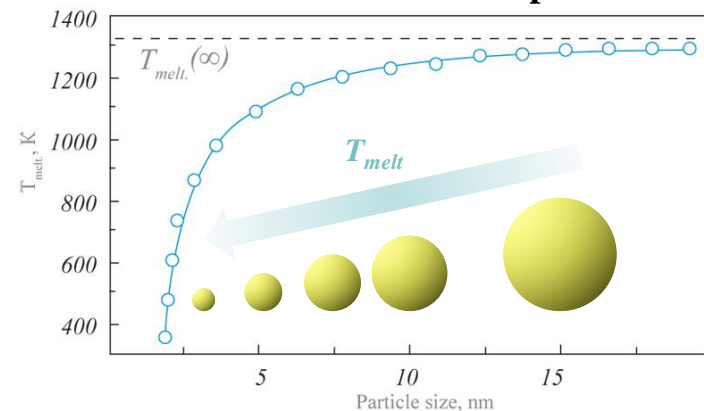


Thermal property (melting point change of Au)



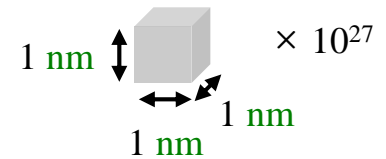
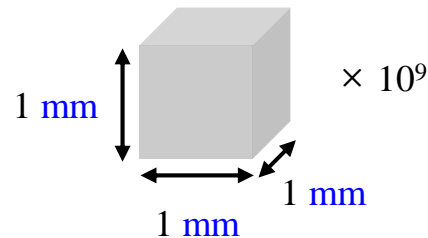
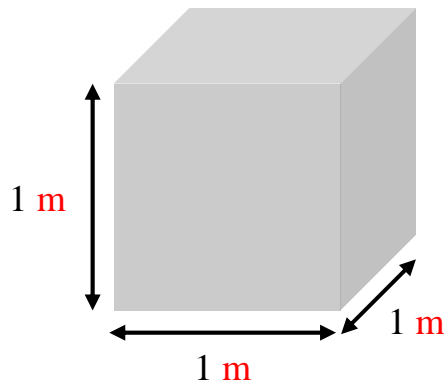
Au bar
Melting point: 1337.33 K

Au nanoparticle



Why the nanomaterial's property is changed?

- Nanomaterials have a relatively larger surface area or surface area to volume ratio when compared to the same mass of material produced in a bulk form.



Volume (m^3)

1

1

1

Surface area (m^2)

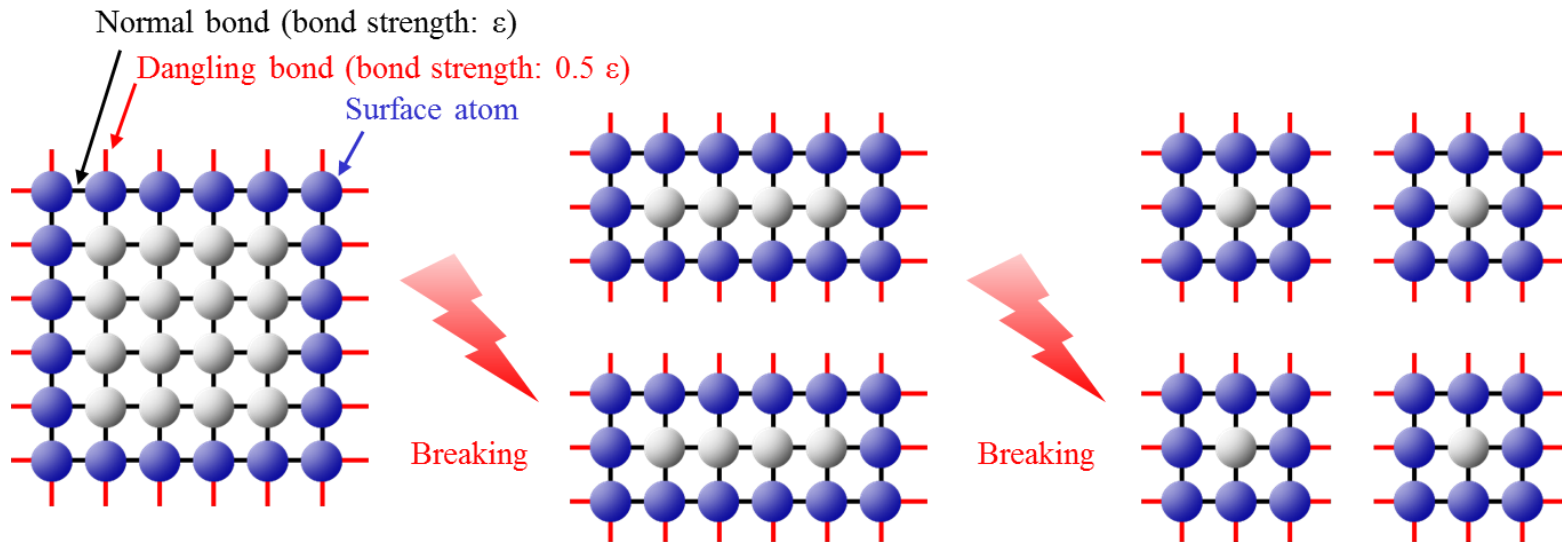
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6,000

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What happens when surface/volume ratio increase?

- Increase of surface/volume ratio generates the unsatisfied valence (broken bond) at the surface atoms, indicating the increase of surface energy.



Surface energy: $\gamma = 0.5 N_b \epsilon \rho_a$
(without surface relaxation)

N_b : number of broken bond
 ϵ : bond strength
 ρ_a : number density of atoms at surface

History of nanotechnology

History

“Lycurgus” Cup (Rome, 4th Century)

Colloidal gold and silver in the glass allow it to look different color depending on light position.

Light outside



Light inside



History

Window from Chartres Cathedral (France, 13th Century)

Various metal oxide with different size were used in the glass allowing it to look different color.



History

Colloidal gold dispersion: firstly intended synthesis



Michael Faraday (1791 ~ 1867)

Royal medal winner (1846)

Lecture entitled as “Experimental relations of gold to light”

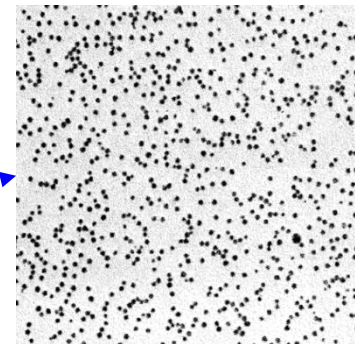
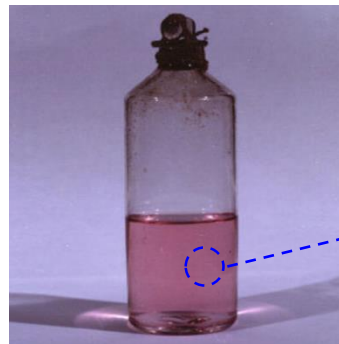
- Royal Society in London (1857)



Faraday's colloidal ruby gold (1857)
: Stable until 1945

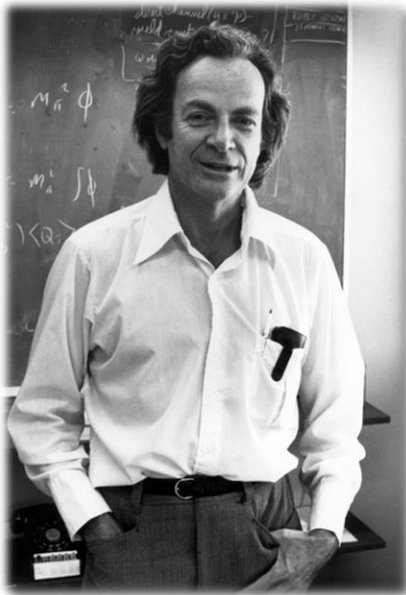
Electron micrograph (1985)
: 2 ~ 6 nm

Bulk gold



History

Inspiration for nanotechnology



Richard P. Feynman (1918 ~ 1988)

Nobel prize winner in physics (1965)

Lecture entitled as “There is plenty of room at the bottom”

- American Physical Society in California (1959)



“What I want to talk about is the problem of manipulating and controlling things on a small scale.”

History

Electron microscope



Ernst Ruska (1906 ~ 1988)

Nobel prize winner in physics (1986)

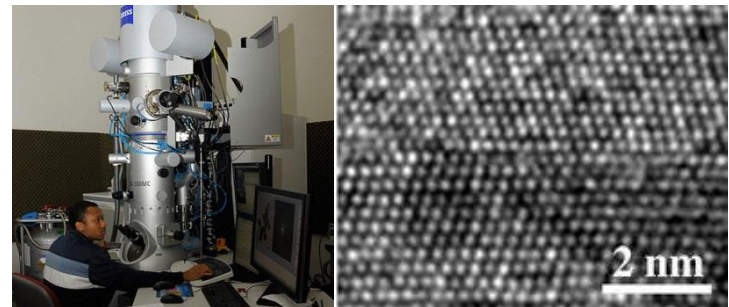
Paper entitled as “The magnetic concentrating coil for fast electron beam”
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**Electron microscope
(1933)**



**Electron microscope
(present)**



History

Scanning tunneling microscope (STM)



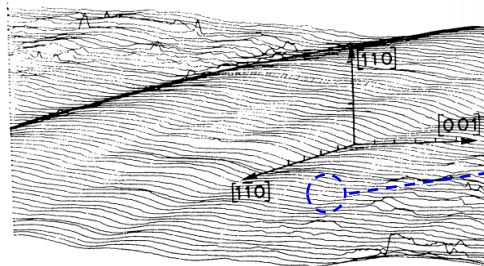
Gerd Binnig (1947 ~)
Heinrich Rohrer (1933 ~ 2013)

Nobel prize winner in physics (1986)

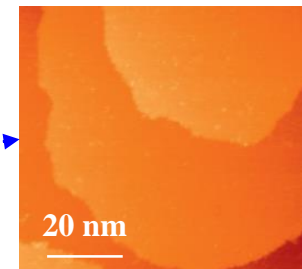
Paper entitled as “Surface studies by scanning tunneling microscopy”
- *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, 49 (1982) 57-61.



STM image of Au (110) surface
(1982)



STM image of Au (110) surface
(2014)



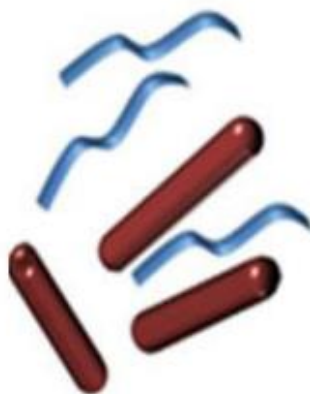
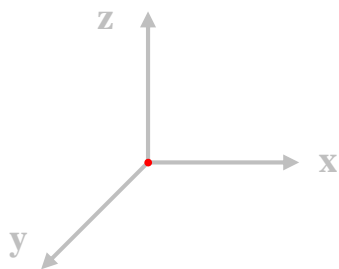
Nanomaterial Fabrication and Processing

Classification of nanomaterials

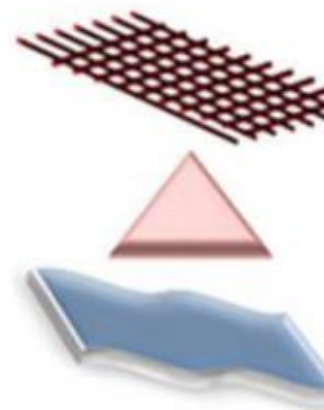
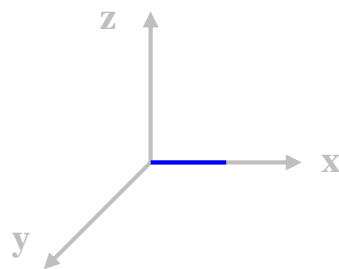
Dimensional classification



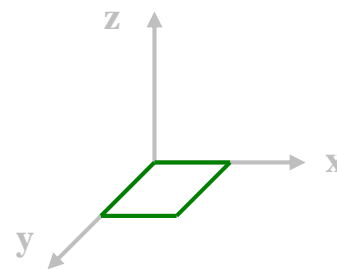
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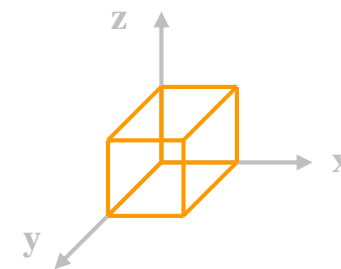
1-D



2-D



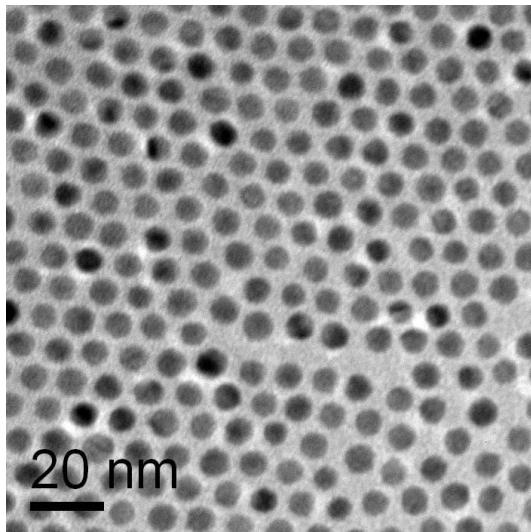
3-D



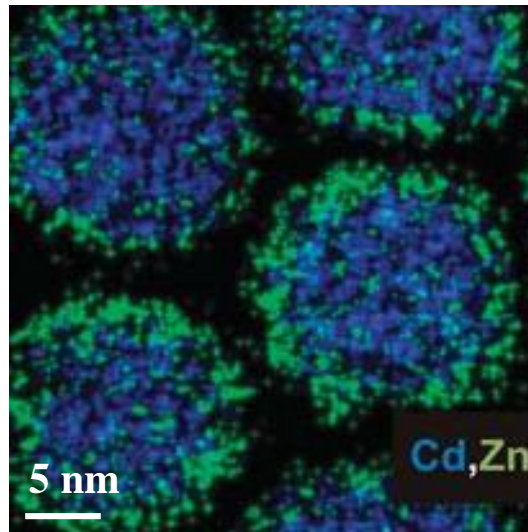
Classification of nanomaterials

Zero-dimensional (0-D) structures

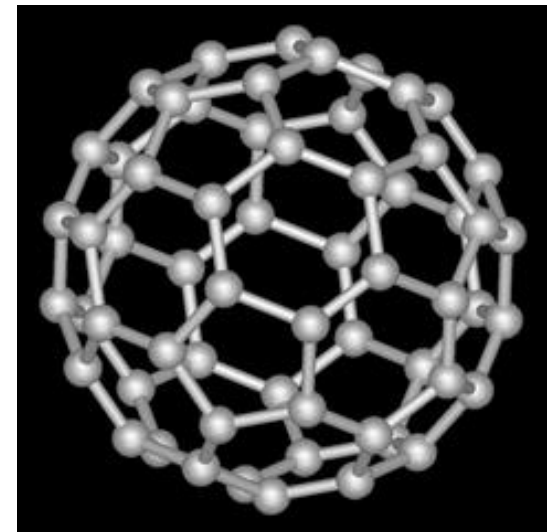
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- Quantum dots -



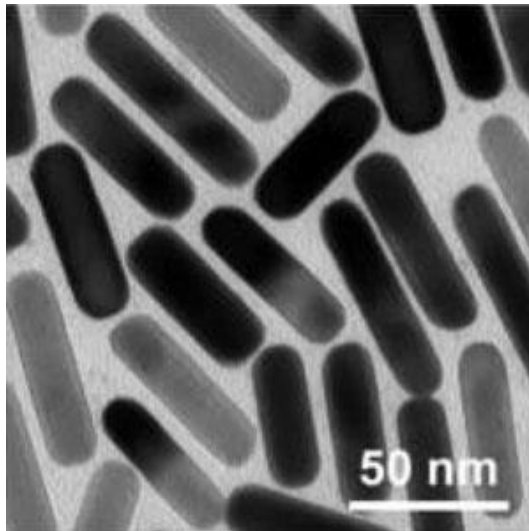
- Fullerenes -



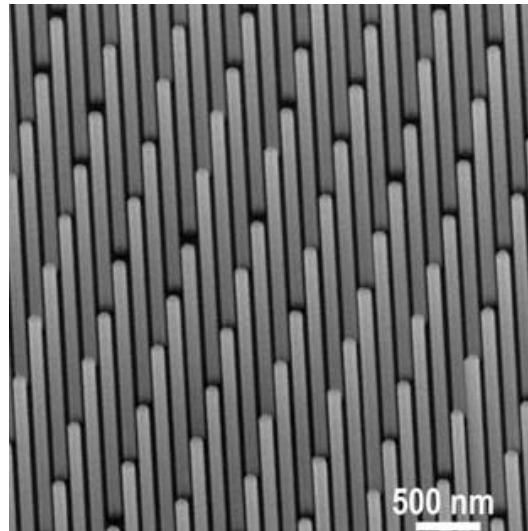
Classification of nanomaterials

One-dimensional (1-D) structures

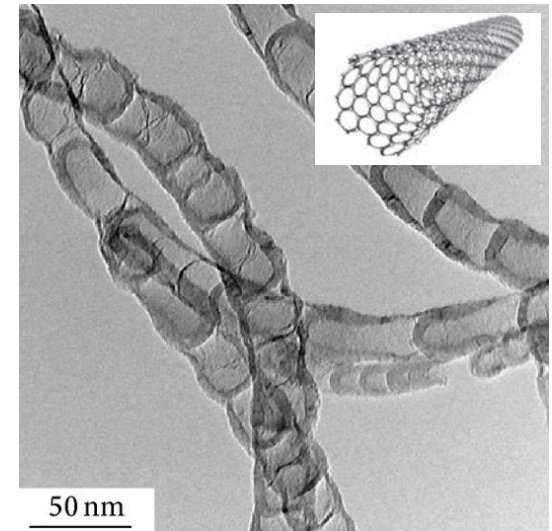
- Nanorods -



- Nanowires -



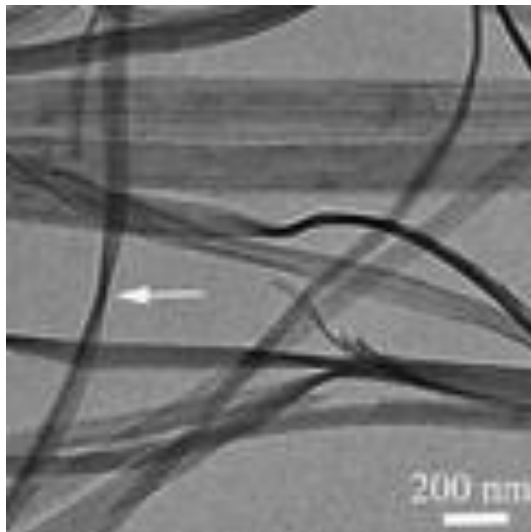
- Nanotubes -



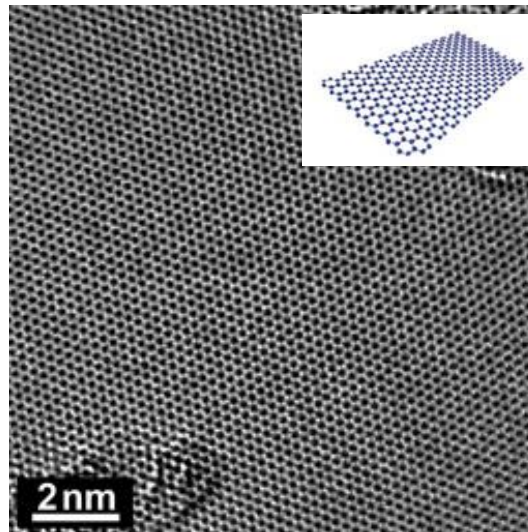
Classification of nanomaterials

Two-dimensional (2-D) structures

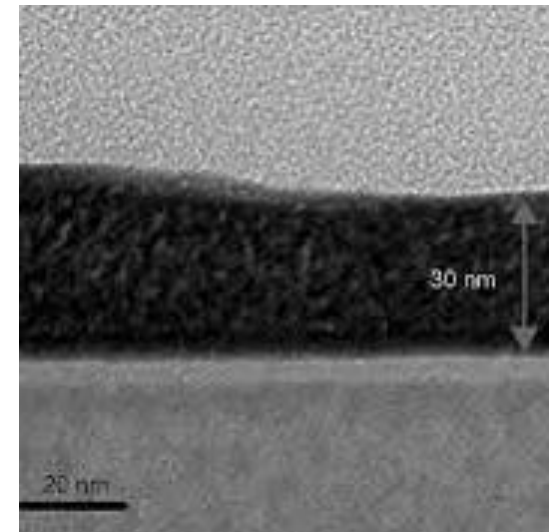
- Nanobelts -



- Graphene -



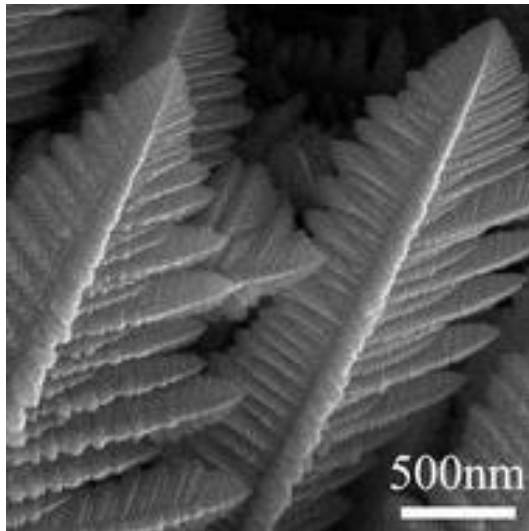
- Thin film -



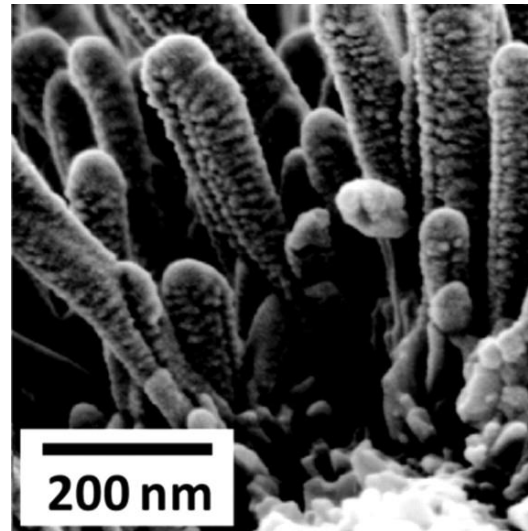
Classification of nanomaterials

Three-dimensional (3-D) structures

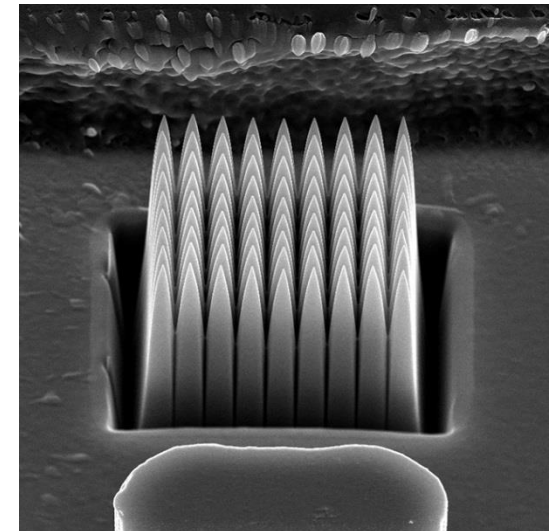
- Dendrite -



- Nanostructured thin film -



- Nanopatterning -



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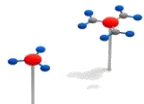
Fabrication strategy

Two main approaches to fabricate nanomaterials

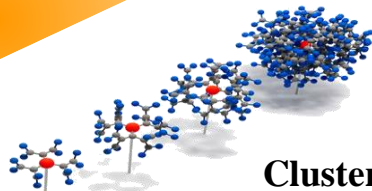
**Bottom-up approach
: small to large**



Atom

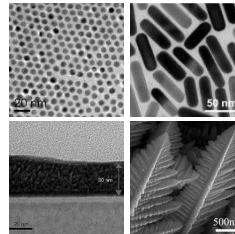


Molecule



Cluster

Nanomaterials



Powder



Bulk



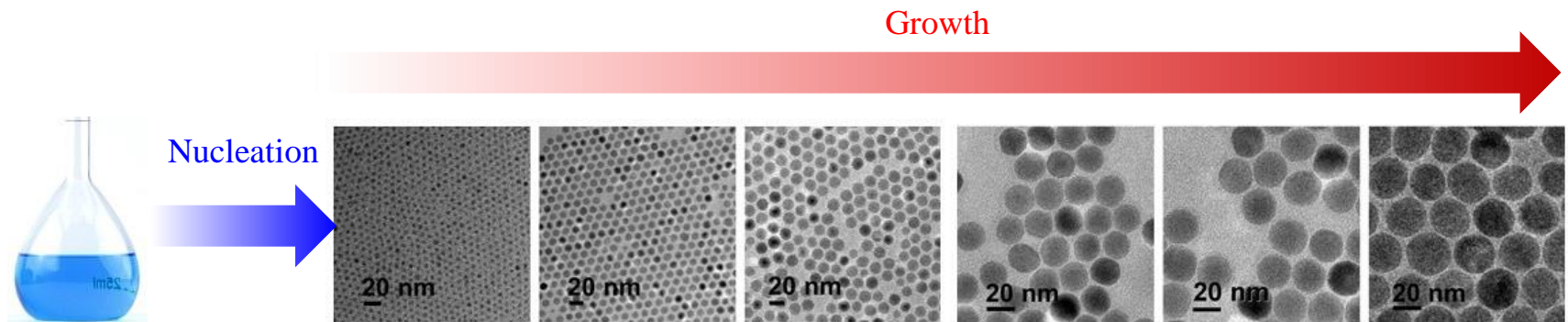
**Top-down approach
: large to small**

Fabrication strategy 1: bottom-up approach

Bottom-up approach

- Bottom-up approach refers to the construction of nanomaterial from the bottom, i.e. atom-by-atom, molecule-by-molecule or cluster-by-cluster.
- The atoms or molecules are used as the building blocks to produce nanoparticles, nanotubes, nanorods, thin films or layered structures.
- An advantage of the bottom-up approach is the better possibilities to obtain nanostructures with less defects and more homogeneous chemical compositions.
- For most materials, there is no difference in physical properties of nanomaterials compared with that of bulk.

Example: synthesis of nanoparticles and their growth

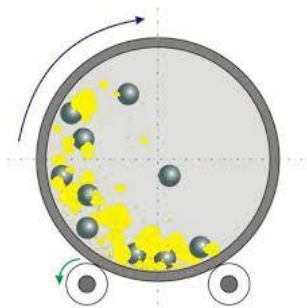


Fabrication strategy 2: top-down approach

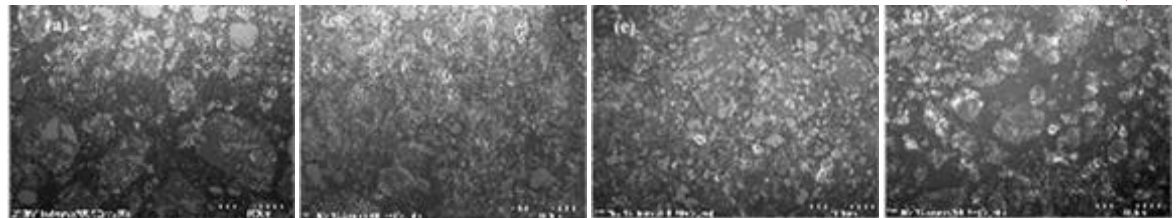
Top-down approach

- The word "top-down" means starting from large pieces of material and producing the intended structure by mechanical or chemical methods.
- Cutting, grinding and etching are typical fabrication techniques, which have been developed to work on the nano scale.
- Top-down approach has proven unsuccessful with the problems originated from the defect of surface structure and incorporation of impurity.
- Even though there are problems connected to using a top-down approach, this is the method of choice when highly complex structures are made.

Example: ball milling of FeCo powder



Ball milling time



Fabrication methods

Nanomaterial fabrication methods

Physical methods

- Ball milling
- Inert gas condensation
- Arc discharge
- Ion sputtering
- Laser ablation
- Spray pyrolysis
- Flame pyrolysis
- Thermal evaporation
- Pulsed laser deposition
- Molecular beam epitaxy

Chemical methods

- Chemical reduction synthesis
- Solvothermal synthesis
- Photochemical synthesis
- Electrochemical synthesis
- Sonochemical synthesis
- Micelles and microemulsions
- Chemical vapor deposition
- Sol-gel process

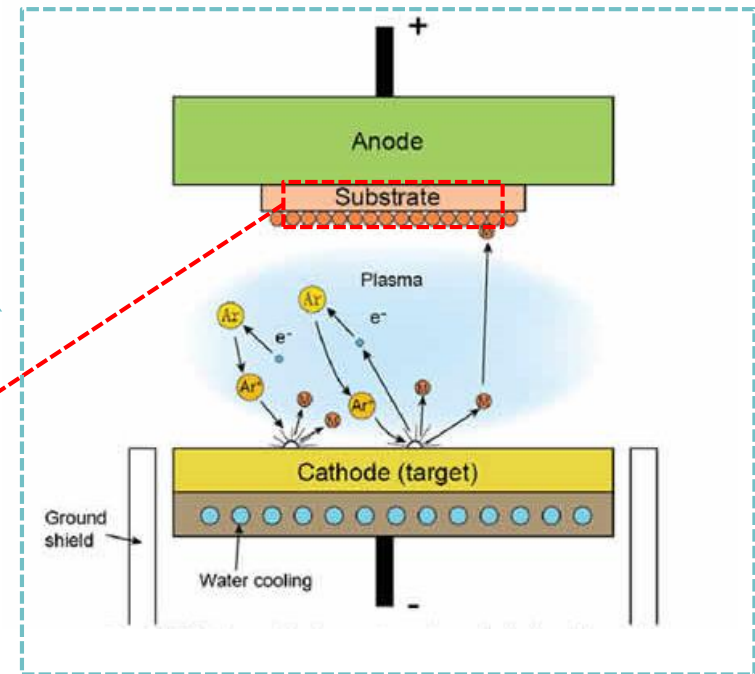
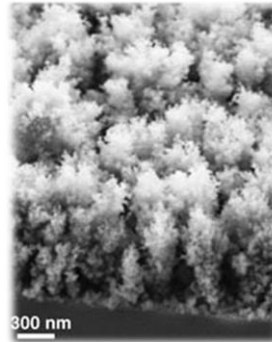
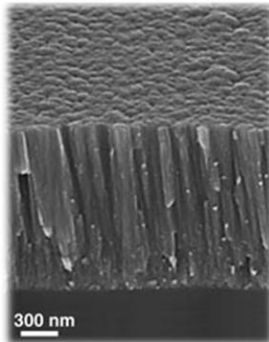
Lithographic techniques

- Photolithography
- Electron-beam lithography
- Focused ion beam lithography
- Nanoimprint lithography

Fabrication methods 1: physical methods

Ion sputtering: direct current (DC) sputtering

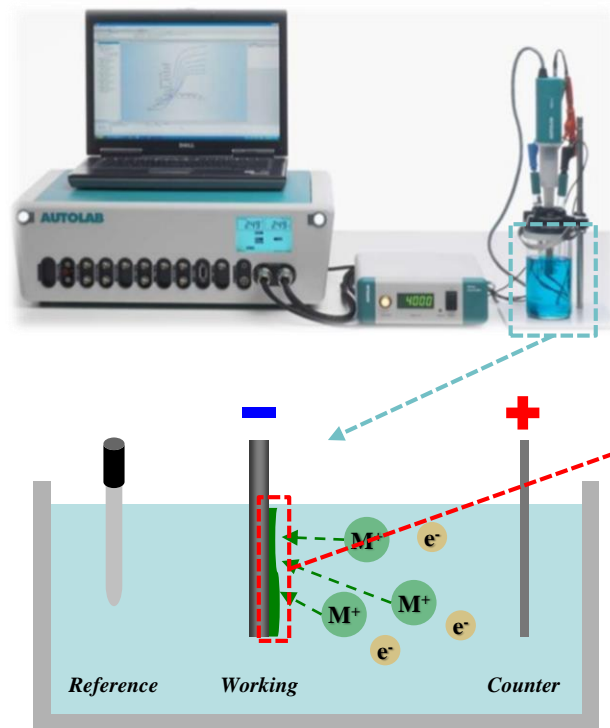
- Argon is ionized by a strong potential difference, and these ions are accelerated to a target. After impact, target atoms are released and travel to the substrate, where they form layers of atoms in the thin film.



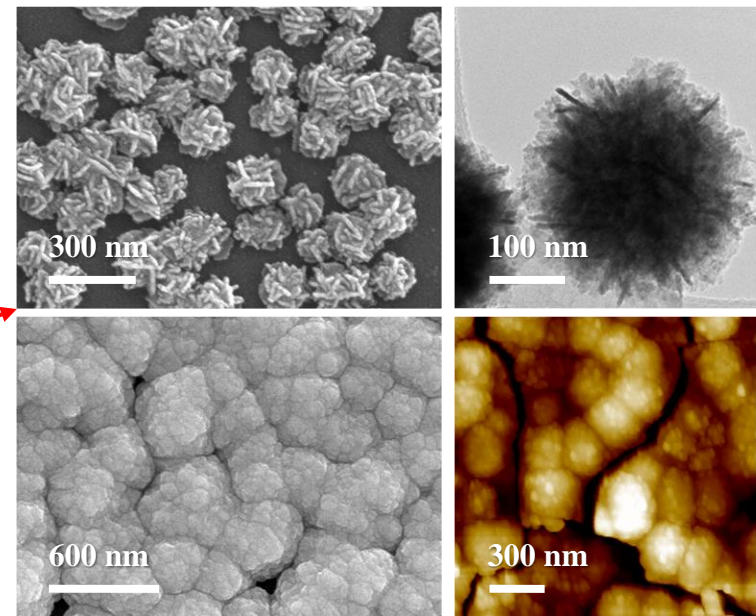
Fabrication methods 2: chemical methods

Electrochemical synthesis: electrodeposition

- Metal ions in solution can be electrochemically reduced by negative applied potential on the surface of substrate (working electrode).



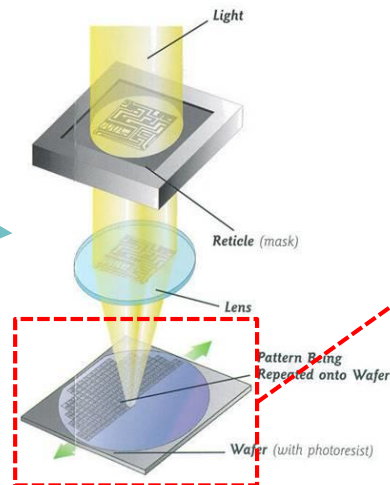
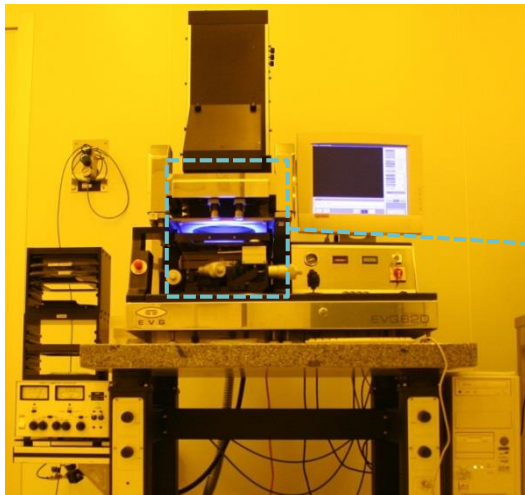
- Electrodeposited nanoparticles and thin films -



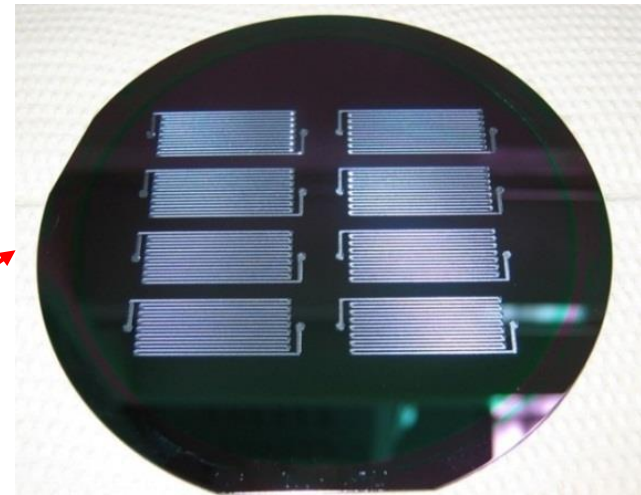
Fabrication methods 3: lithographic techniques

Photolithography

- Patterning on silicon wafer can be fabricated by using a mask with exposure of UV light .

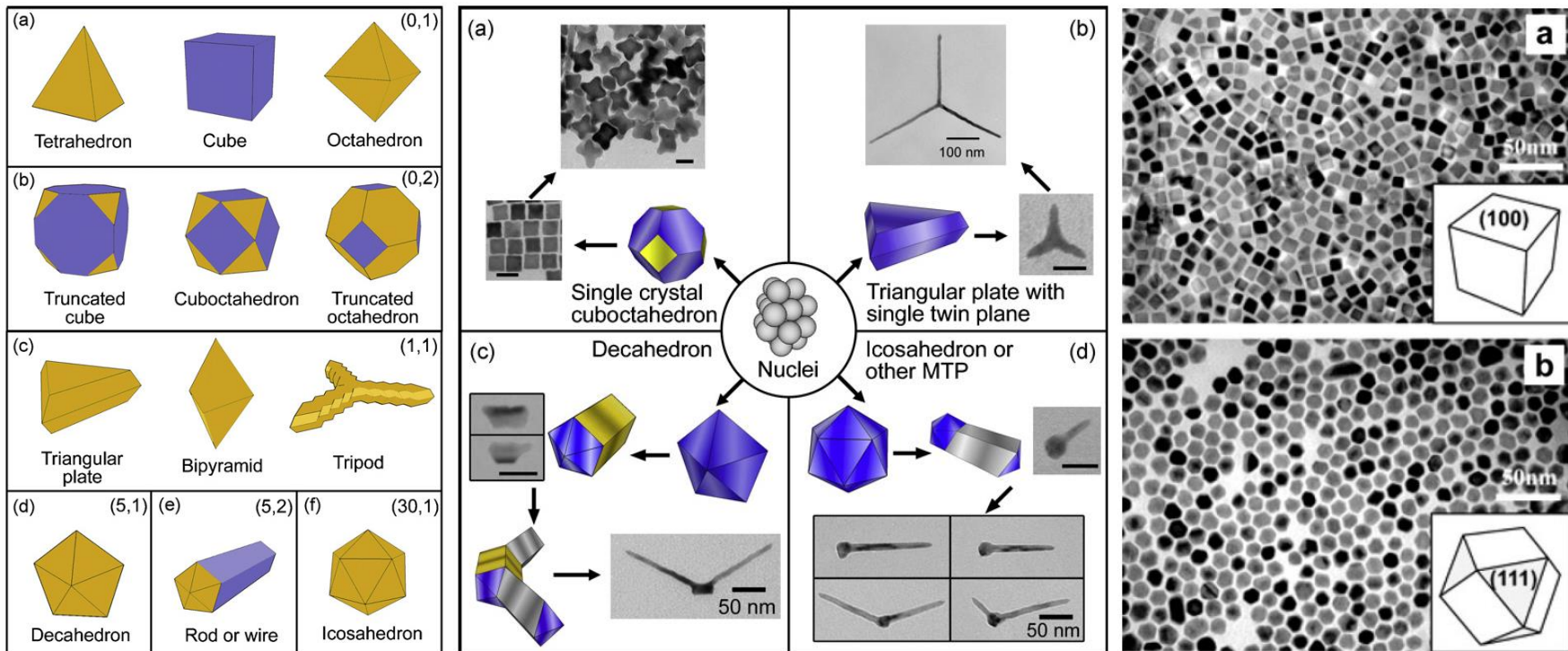


- Patterned silicon wafer -



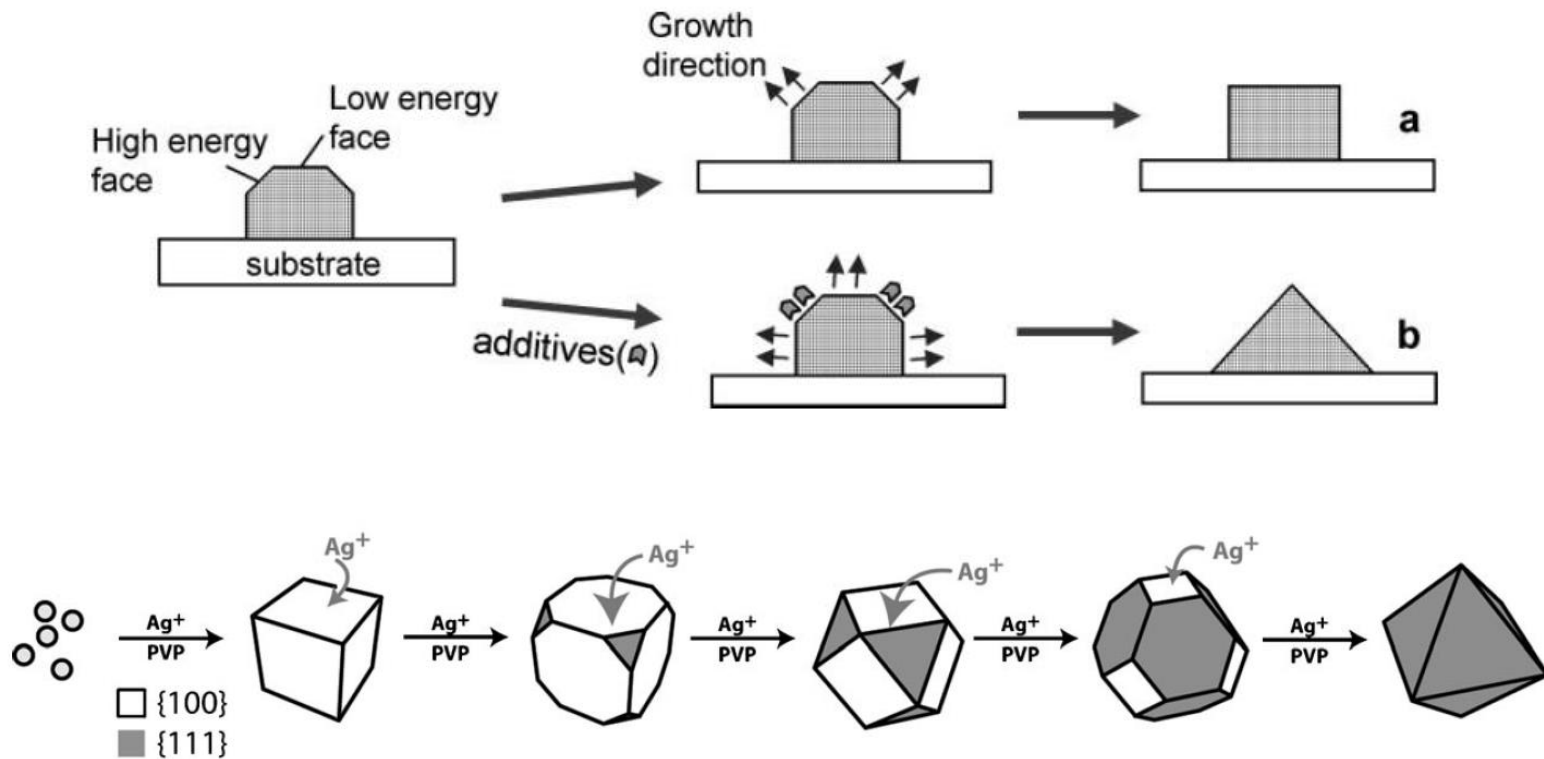
Nanostructure processing 1: shape control

Crystal orientation



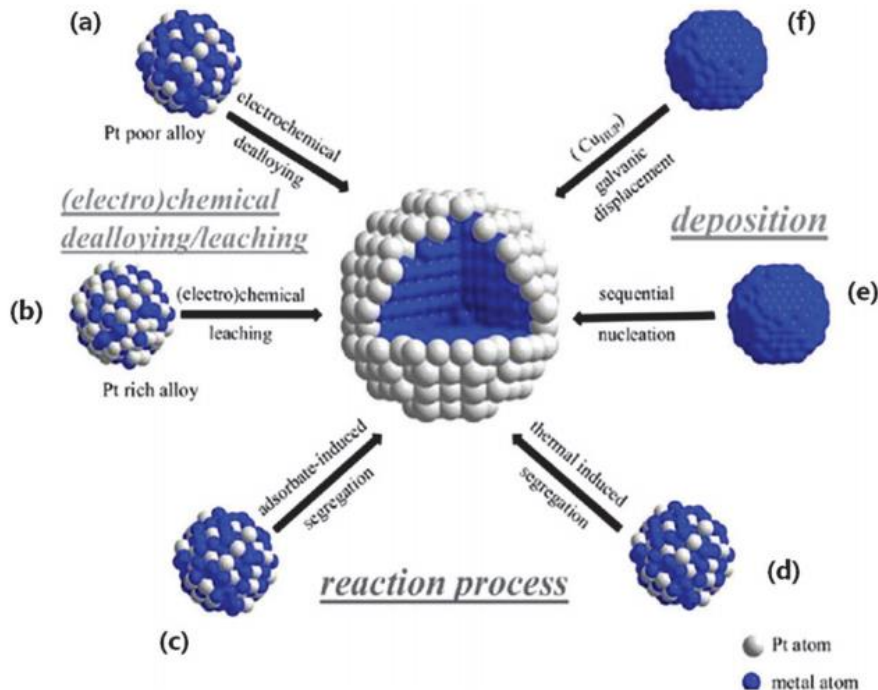
Nanostructure processing 1: shape control

Crystal orientation



Nanostructure processing 2: core-shell

Core-shell synthesis

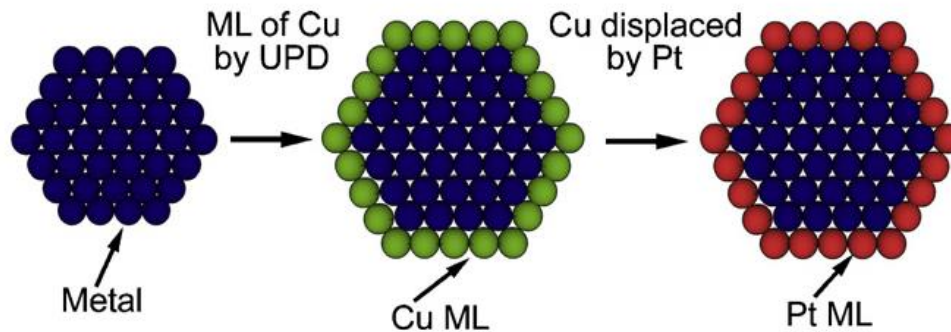


Methods for Pt bimetallic core-shell synthesis

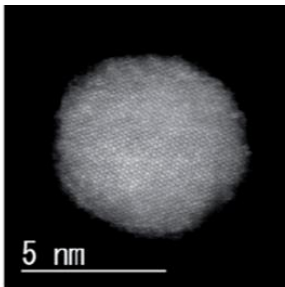
- (a) Electrochemical dealloying
- (b) Electrochemical leaching
- (c) Adsorbate-induced segregation
- (d) Thermal induced segregation
- (e) Heterogeneous colloidal nucleation
- (f) Underpotential deposition - displacement

Nanostructure processing 2: core-shell

Core-shell synthesis (Pt-Pd core-shell)

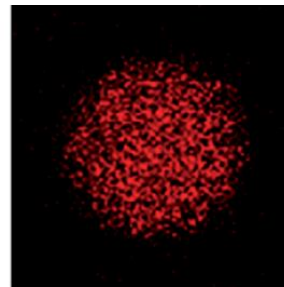


- Image -

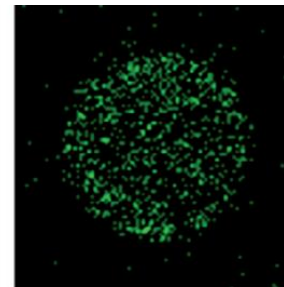


- Composition -

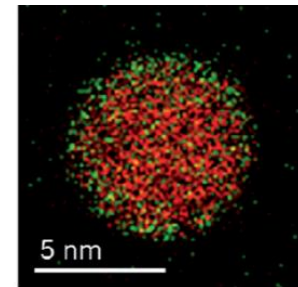
Pd



Pt



Pd+Pt



Nanomaterial Characterization

Characterization methods

Nanomaterial characterization methods

Structural characterization

X-ray diffraction

Small angle X-ray scattering

Electron microscope

Scanning electron microscope

Transmission electron microscope

Scanning probe microscope

Scanning tunneling microscope

Atomic force microscope

Gas physical and chemical adsorption

Chemical characterization

Optical spectroscopy

UV-visible spectroscopy

FT-IR spectroscopy

Raman spectroscopy

Electron spectroscopy

Energy dispersive spectroscopy

Electron probe micro analyser

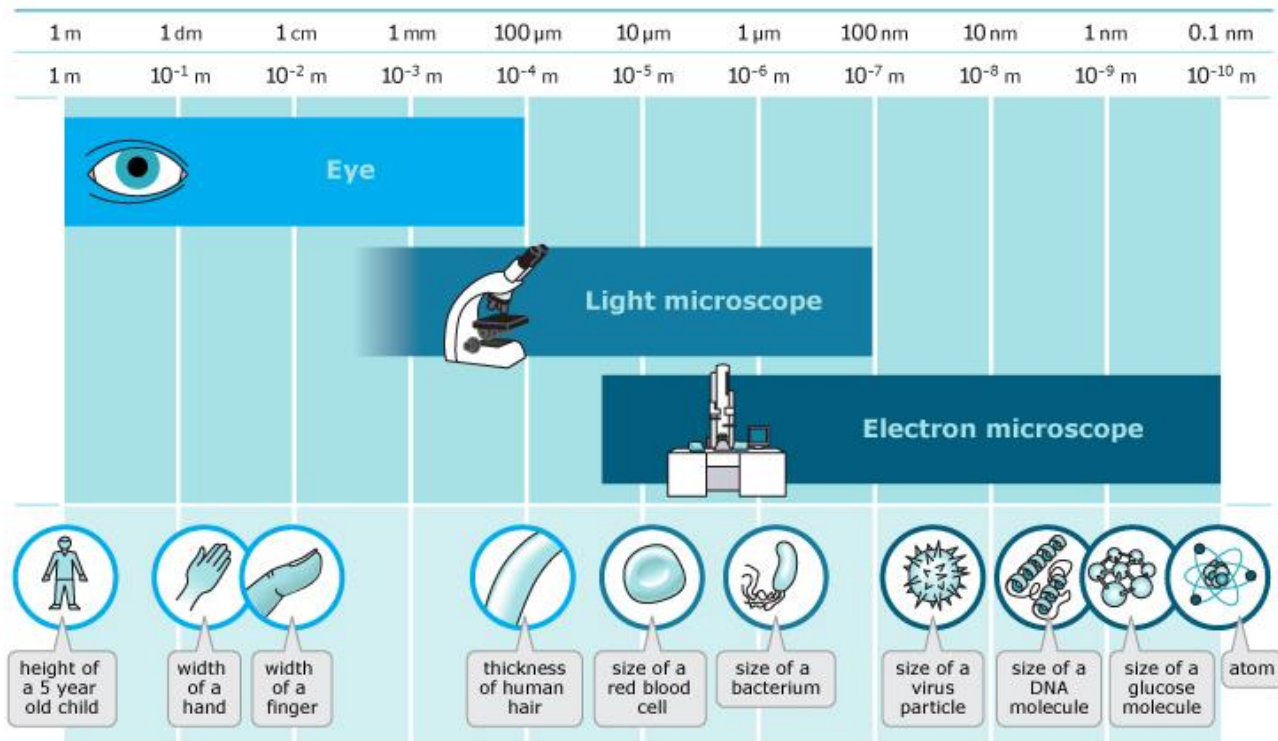
Electron energy loss spectroscopy

Auger electron spectroscopy

X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy

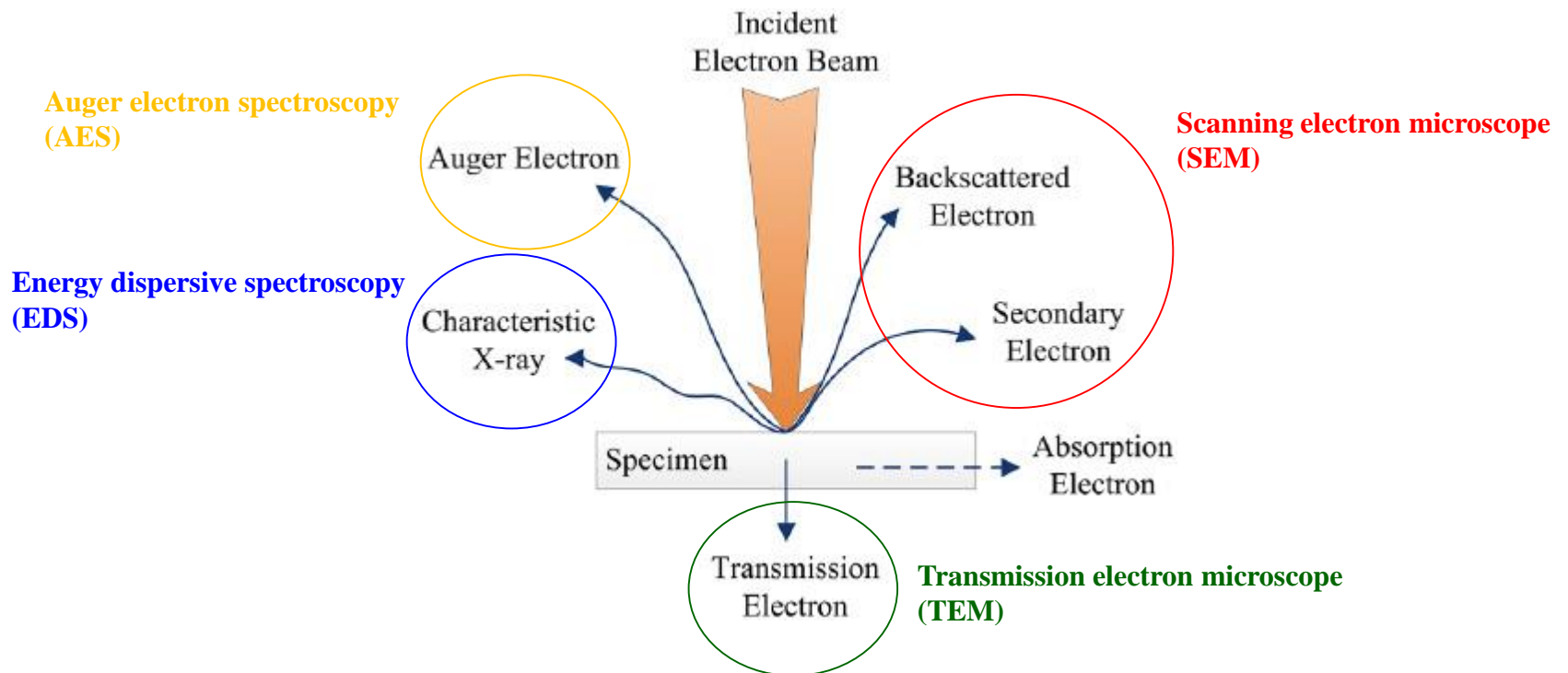
Characterization methods

Resolution of microscope



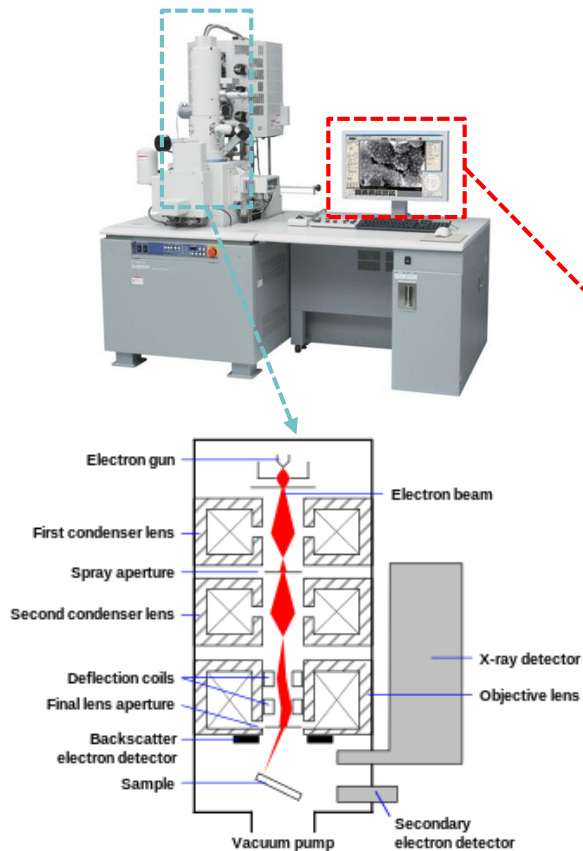
Characterization methods

When the incident electron beam meet specimen...

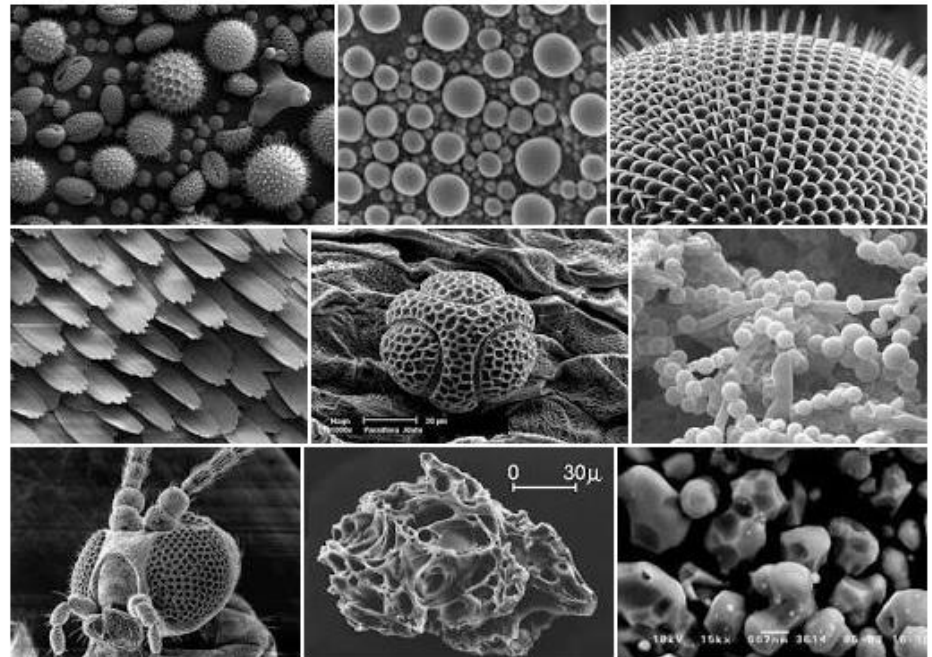


Characterization methods 1: structural characterization

Scanning electron microscope (SEM)

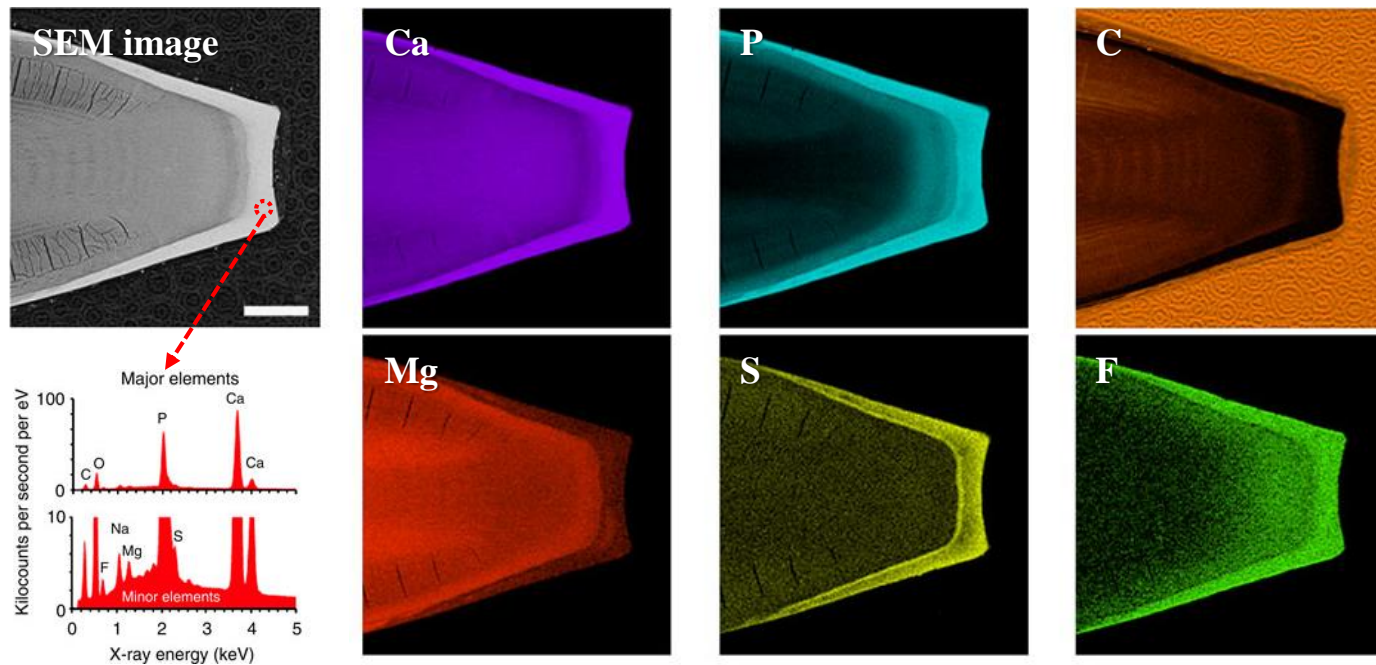


- Several examples of SEM images -



Characterization methods 2: chemical characterization

Energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS)



Nanomaterial Application

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Applications

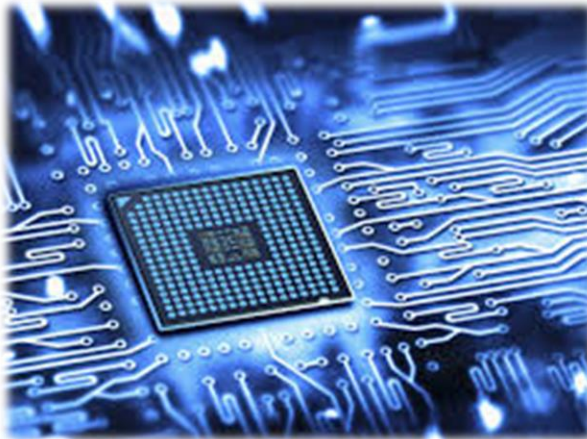
Energy



Bio



Electronic



Optic



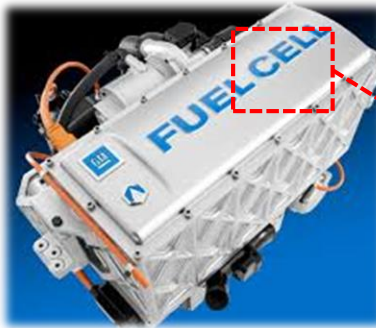
Application 1: energy

Fuel cell

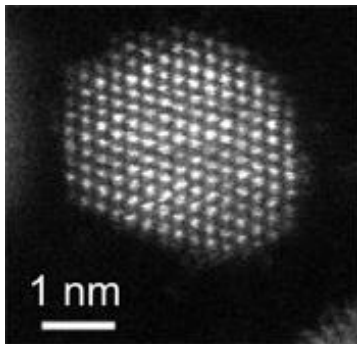
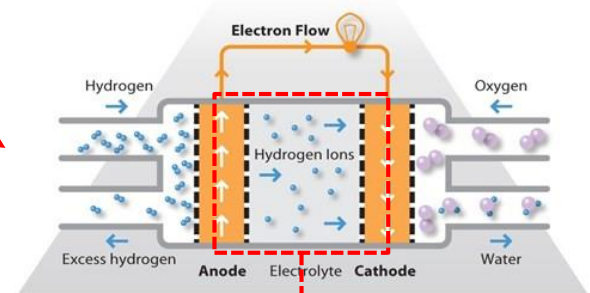
Fuel cell car



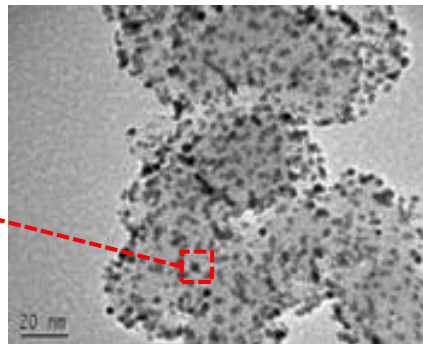
Fuel cell engine (stack)



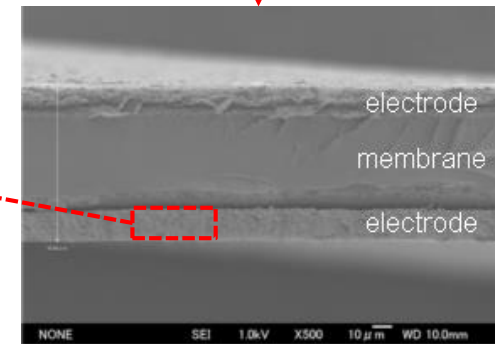
Single fuel cell



Single Pt nanoparticle



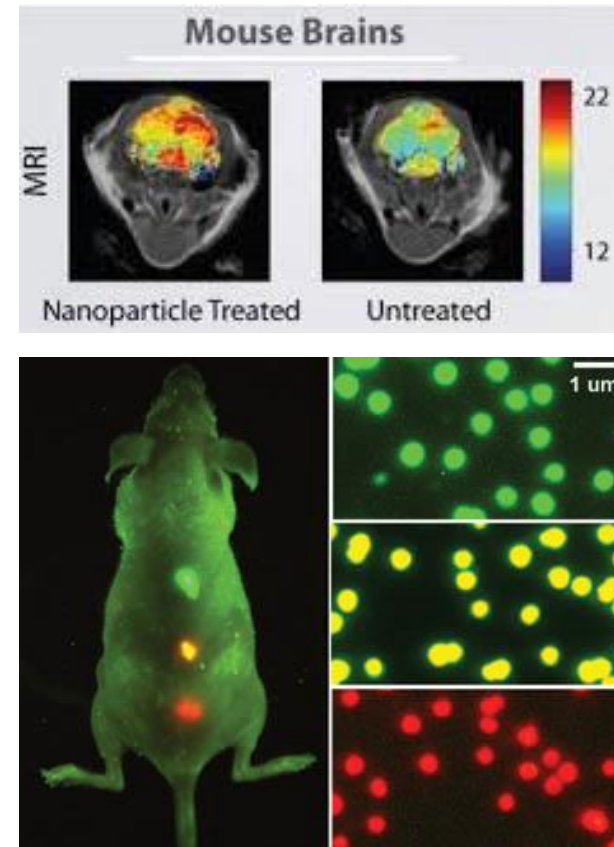
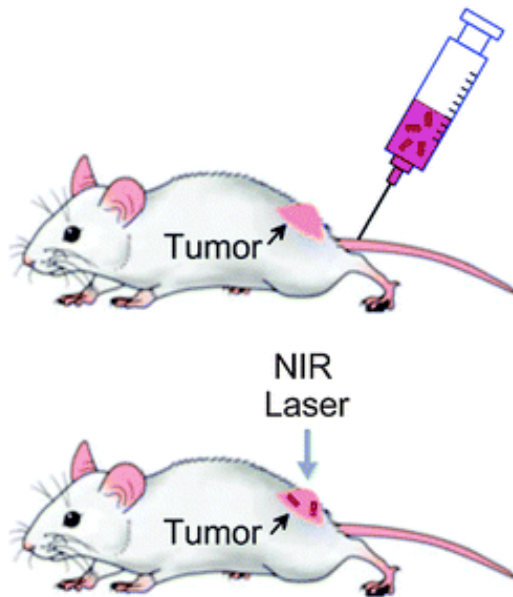
Pt/C catalysts



Membrane electrode assembly

Application 2: bio

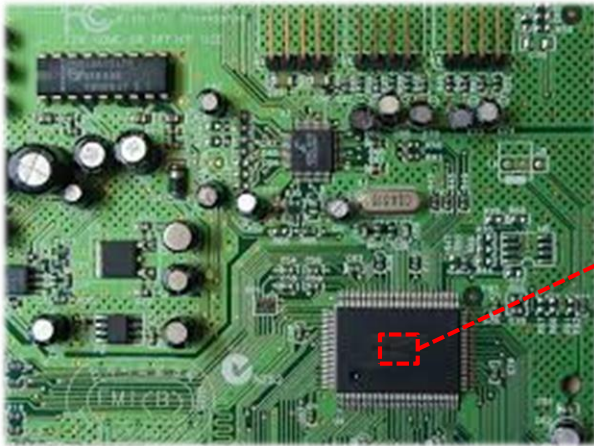
Biological imaging



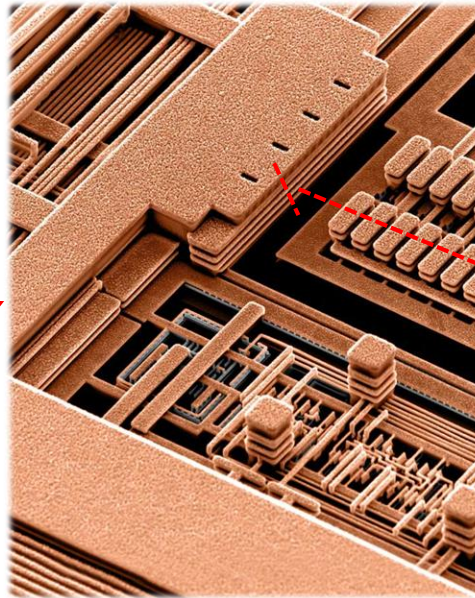
Application 3: electronics

Cu interconnection

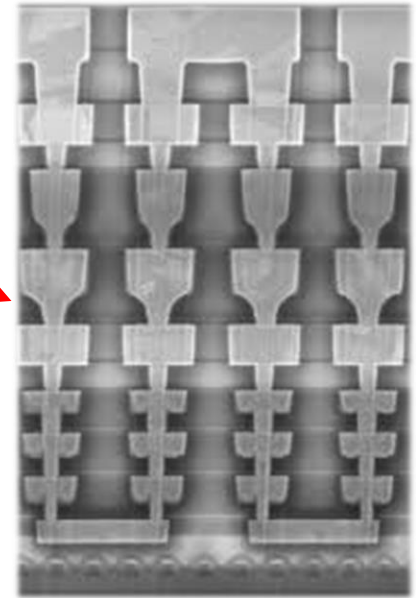
Integrated circuit (IC)



Cu interconnection



Cu interconnection
(cross-section)



Application 4: optics

Quantum dot display

