

# Nanoparticle Technology

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# Introduction to Nanomaterials Application

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## Structurally ordered intermetallic platinum–cobalt core–shell nanoparticles with enhanced activity and stability as oxygen reduction electrocatalysts

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## Methods for sample preparation

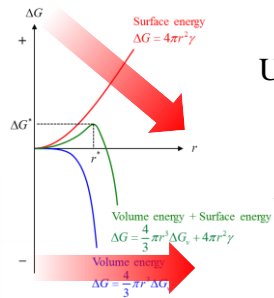
$\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6$  powder



$\text{CoCl}_2$  powder



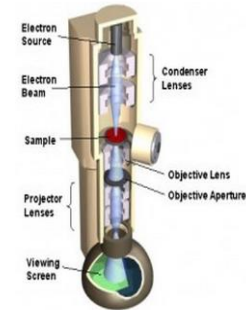
C powder



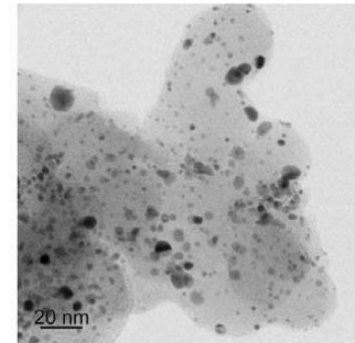
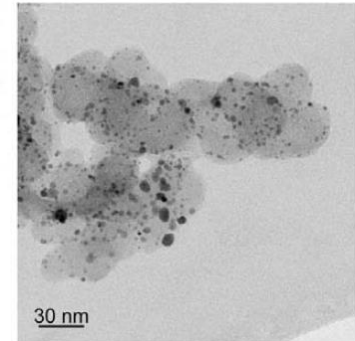
Ultrasonication  
(30 min)



$\text{H}_2/\text{N}_2$  (150 °C, 2 h)  
 $\text{H}_2$  (400 or 700 °C, 2 h)

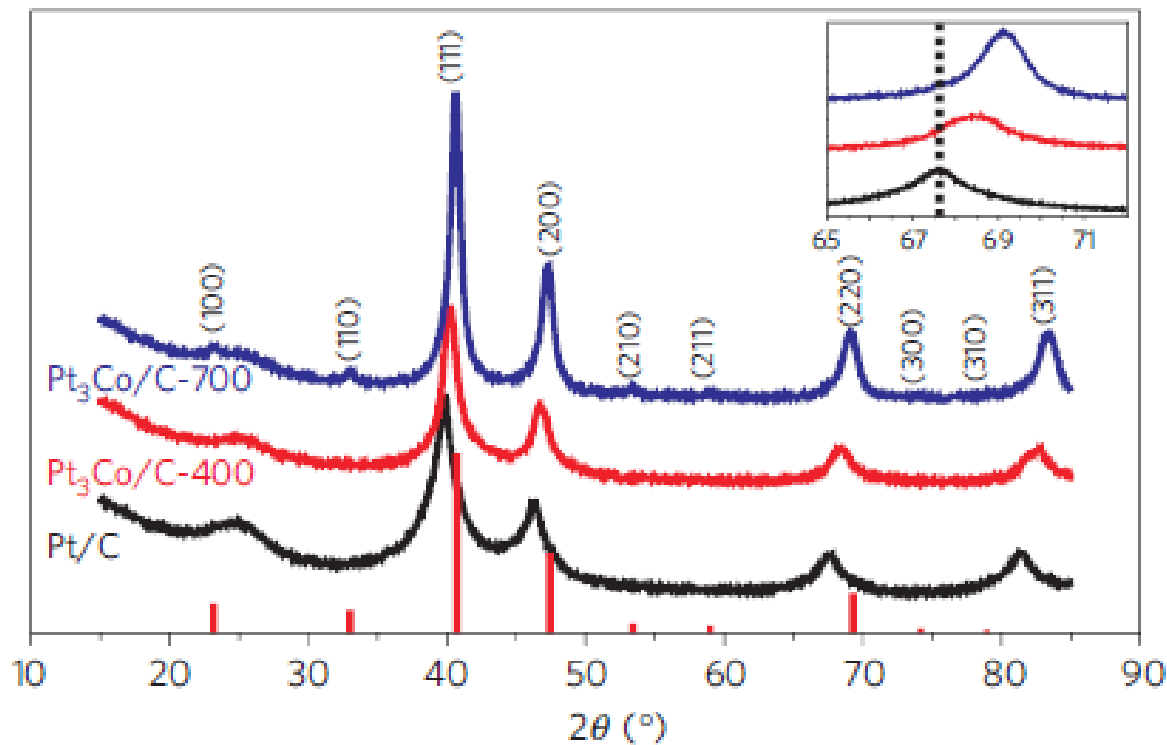


$\text{Pt}_3\text{Co}/\text{C}$ -700 nanoparticles

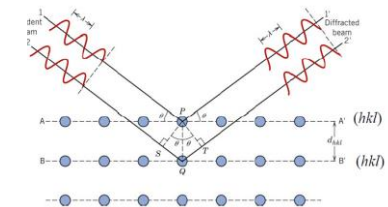


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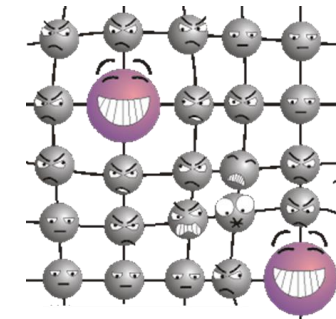
## Crystal structures: XRD



Bragg's Law:  $n\lambda = 2d_{hkl} \sin \theta$



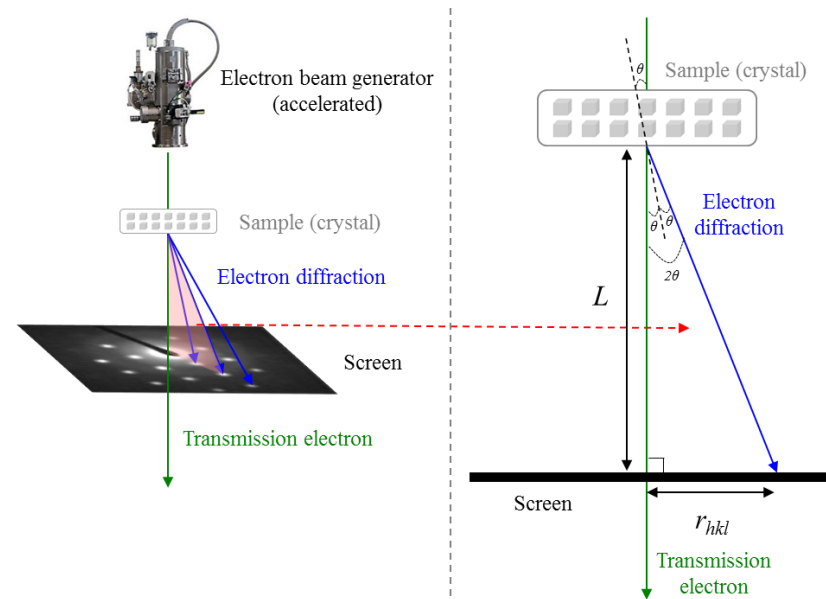
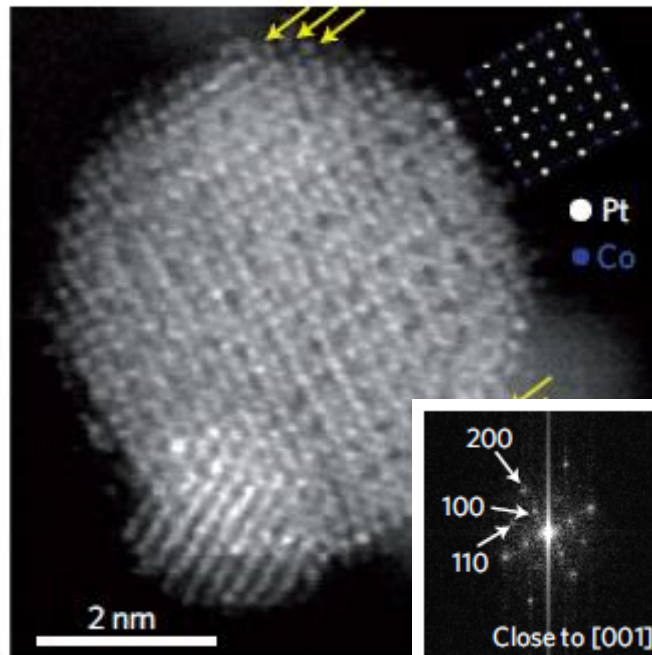
Crystal structure of alloy



Atomic radius  
Pt: 177 pm  
Co: 152 pm

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## Crystal structures: electron diffraction

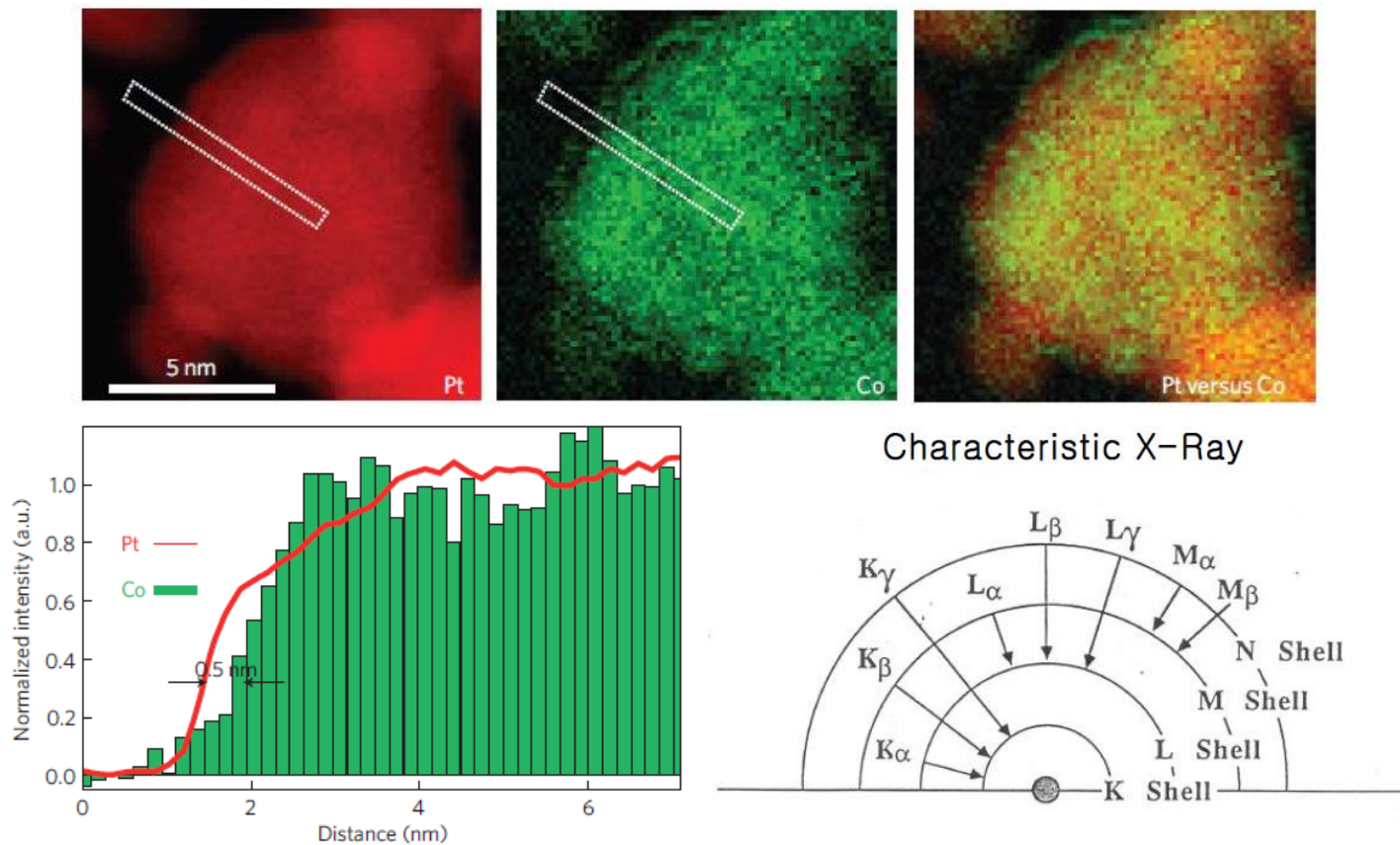


$$\lambda L = r_{hkl} d_{hkl}$$



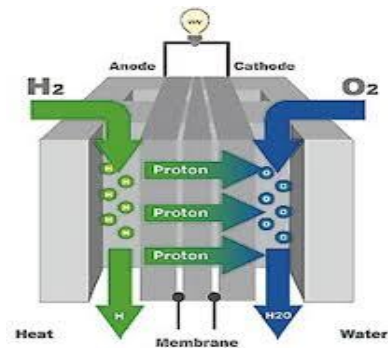
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## Elemental composition: EDS mapping and line scanning

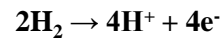


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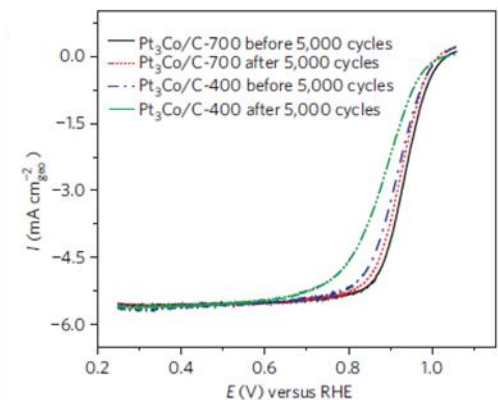
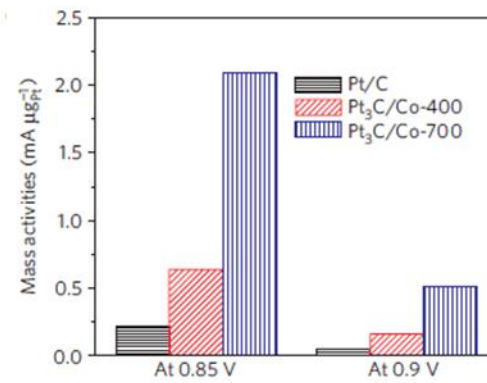
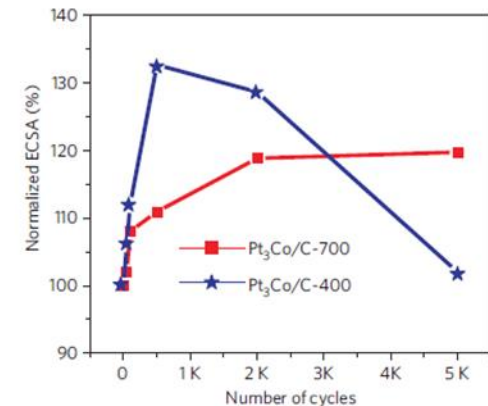
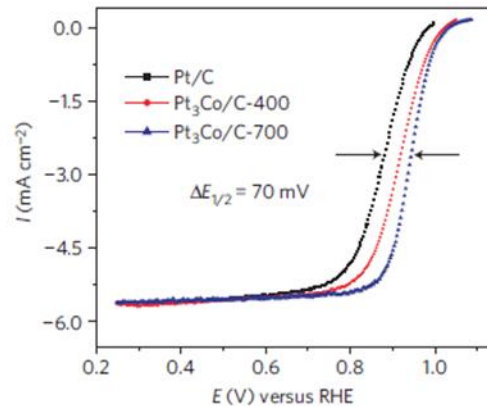
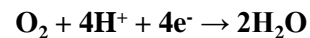
## Catalytic activity and stability of oxygen reduction reaction?



At anode: hydrogen oxidation reaction

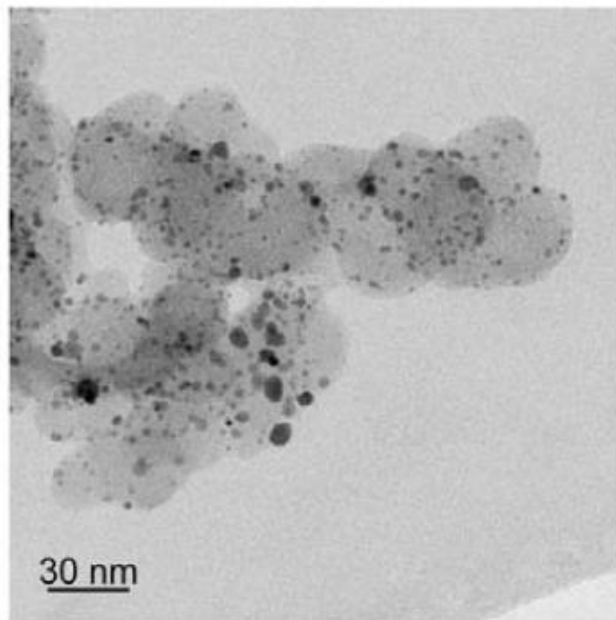


At cathode: oxygen reduction reaction

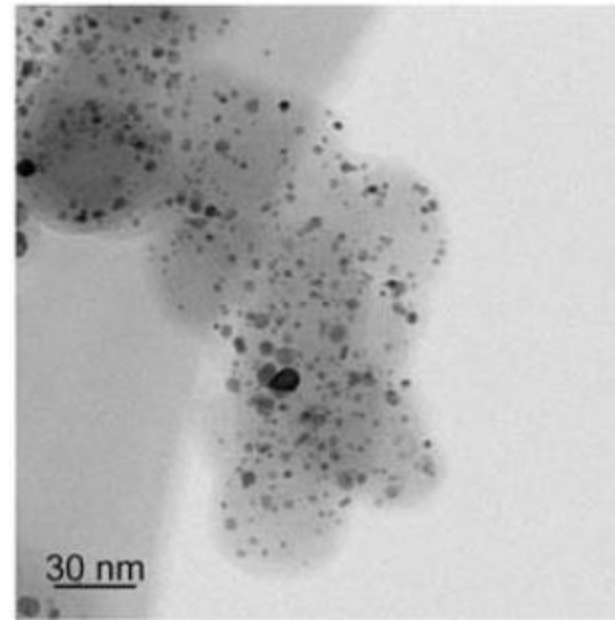


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## Stability of nanoparticles (Oswald ripening?)

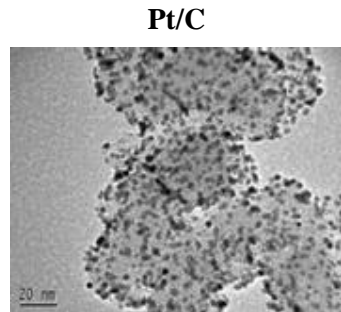


5000 cycles

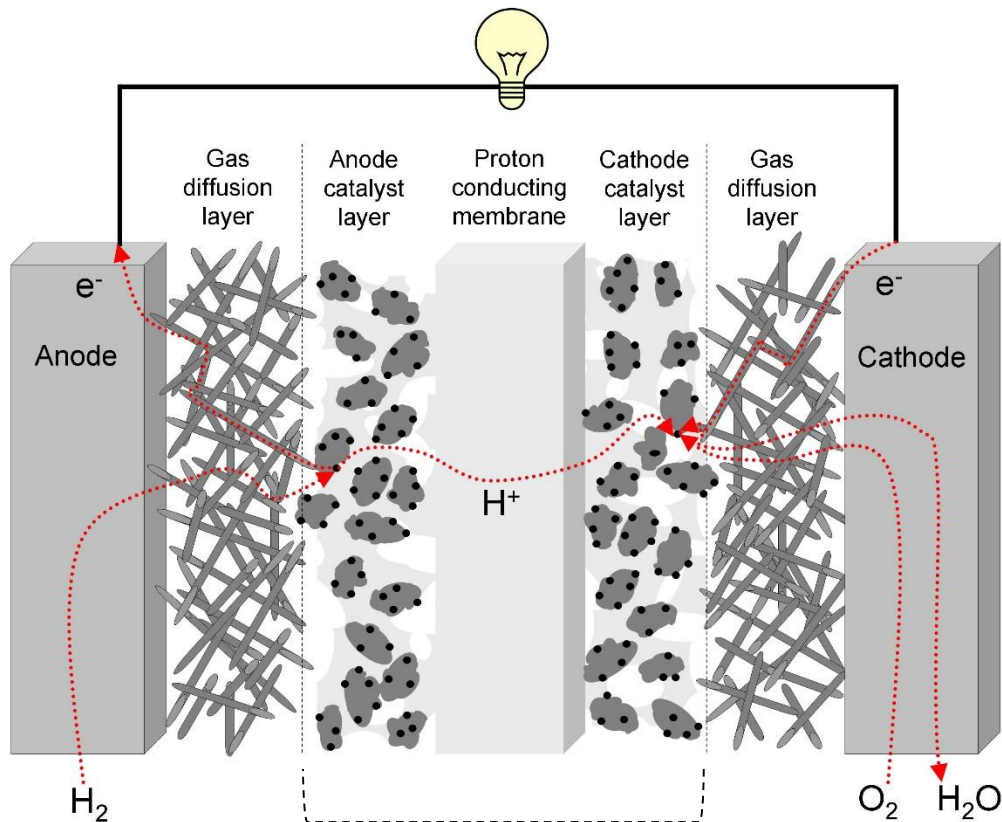


# Nanotechnologies in Fuel Cell

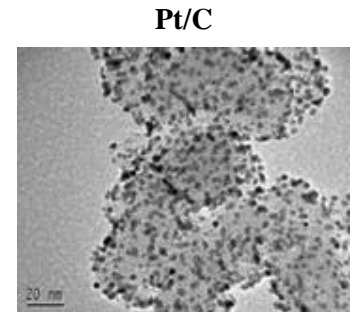
## Pt/C nanoparticle catalysts for fuel cells



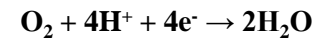
Anode reaction:



Membrane electrode assembly (MEA)

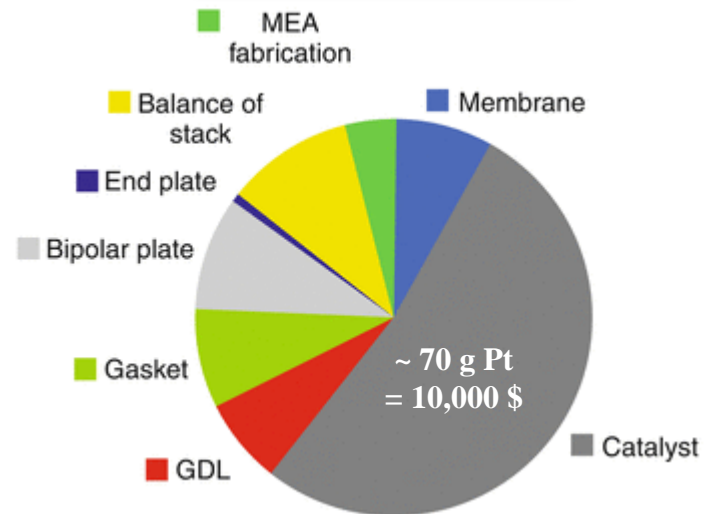
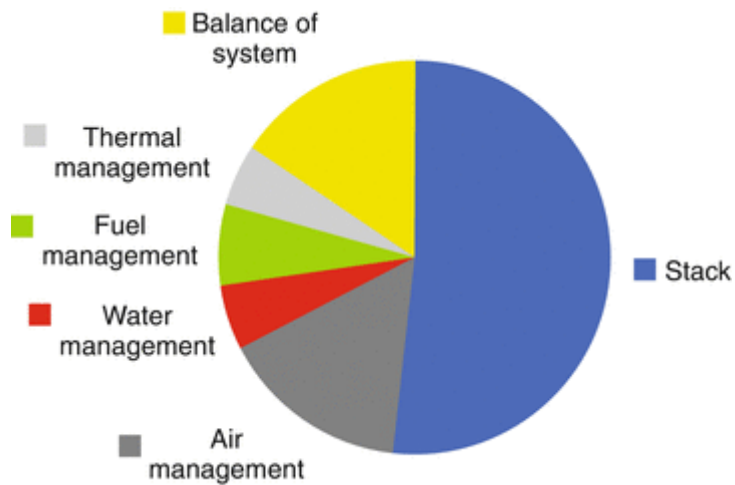
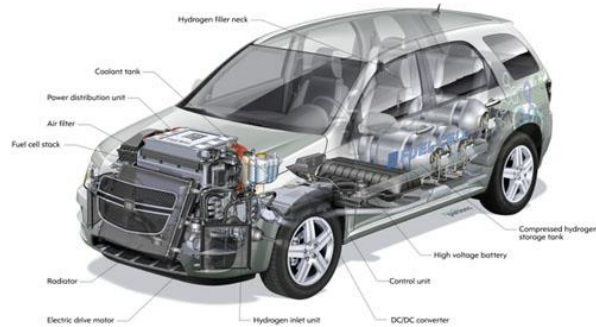


Cathode reaction:



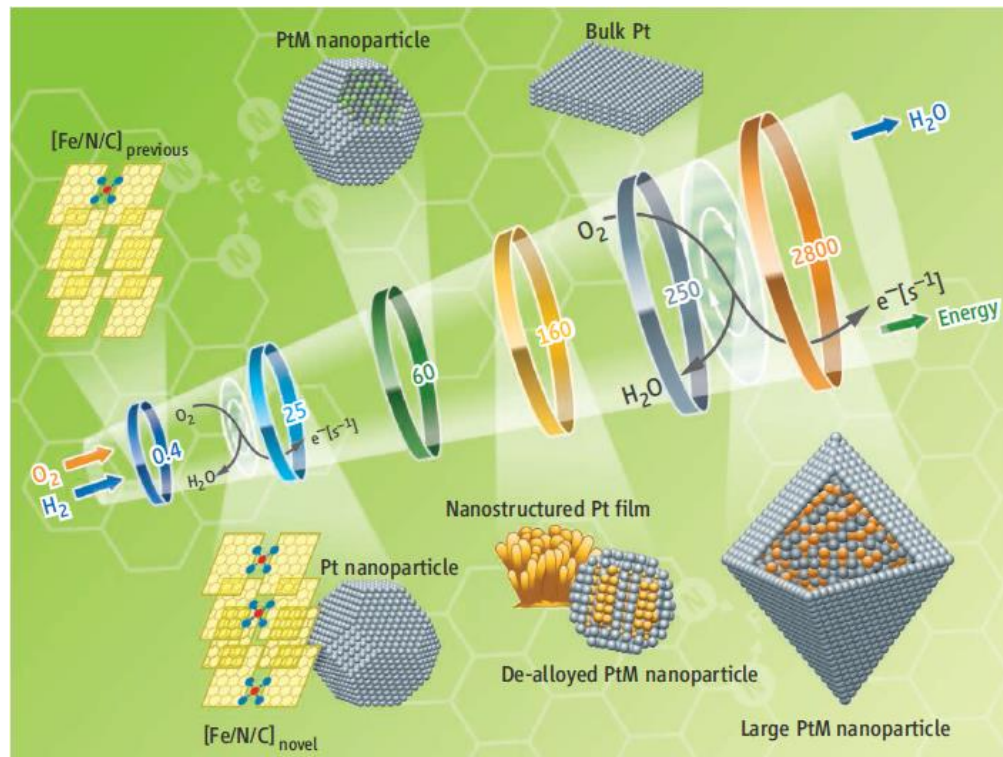
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## Cost distribution of fuel cell vehicle

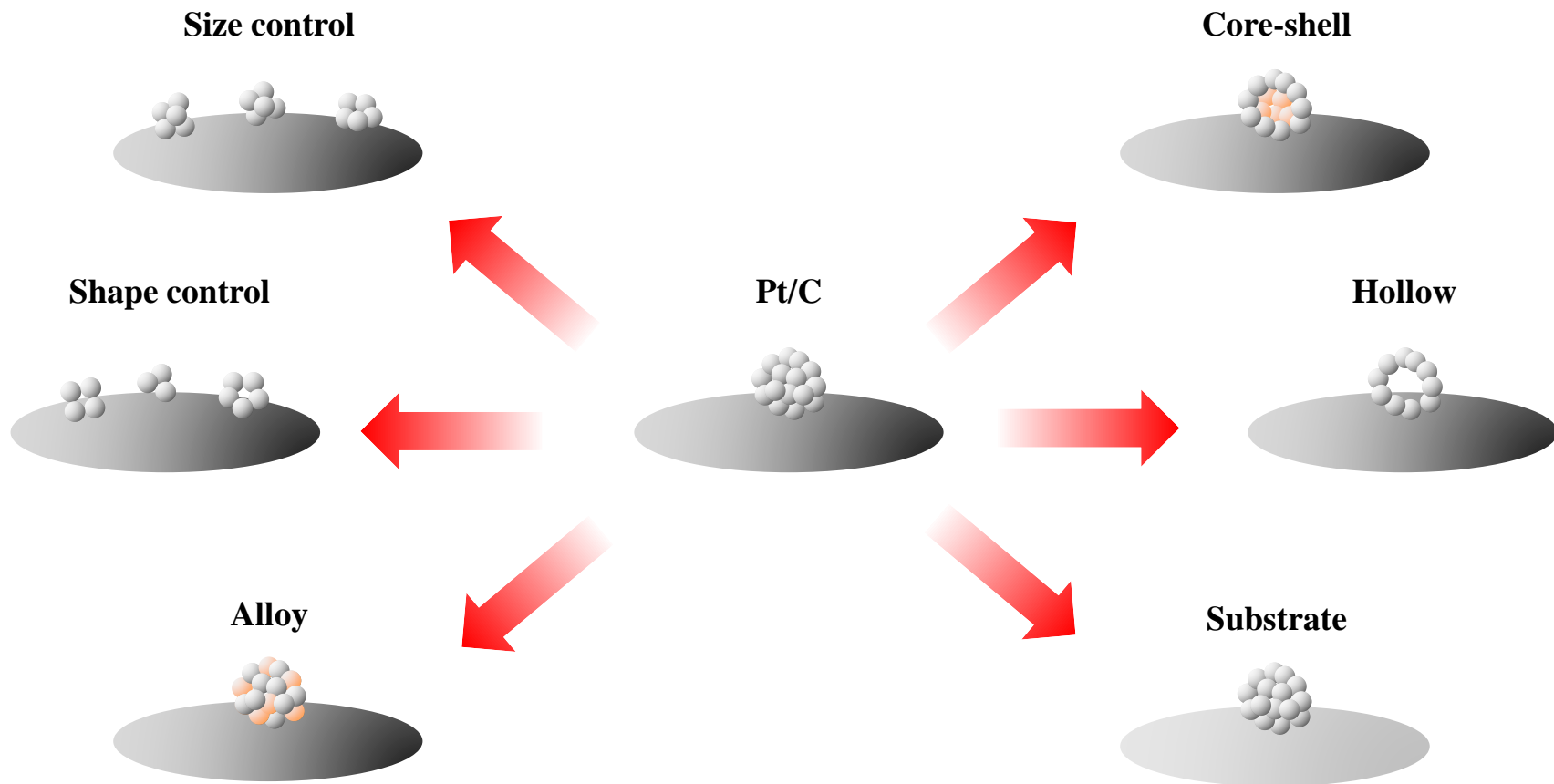




## Strategies to improve activity of Pt/C



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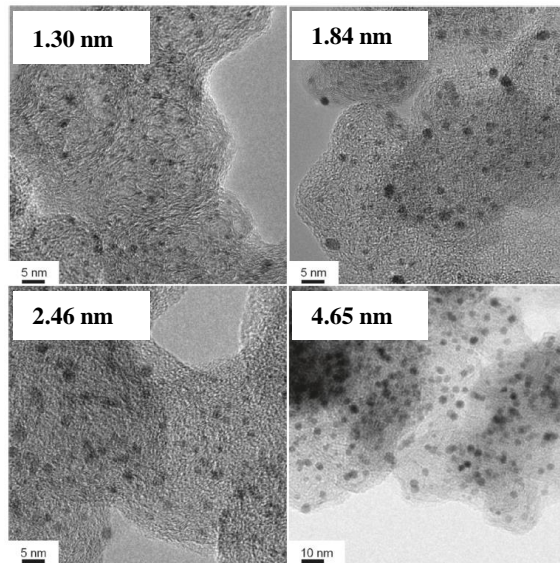




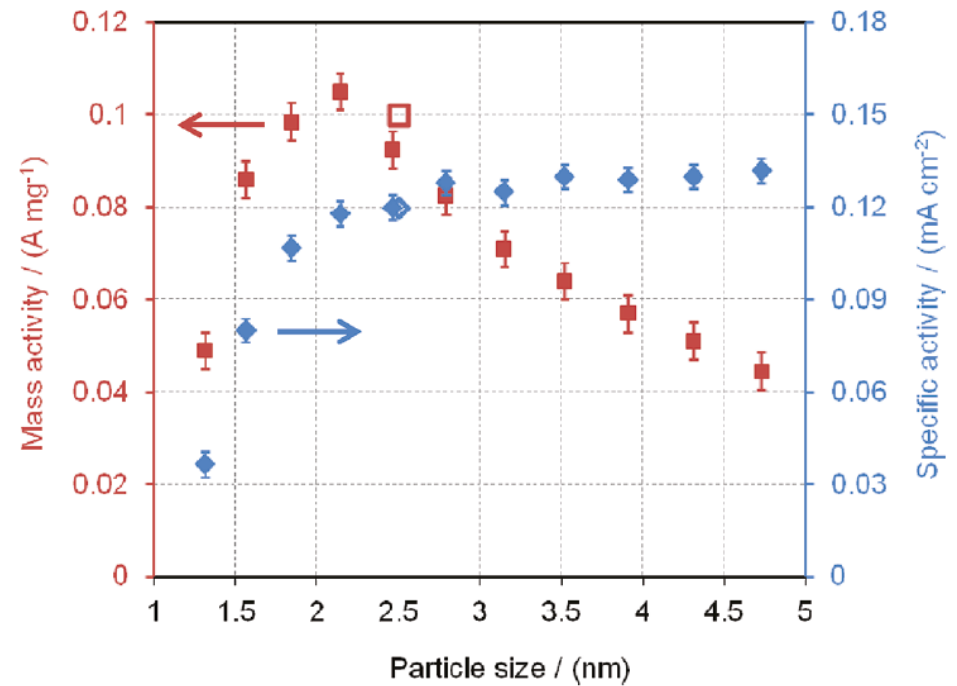
## Strategies to improve activity

### Size control

TEM images of Pt/C



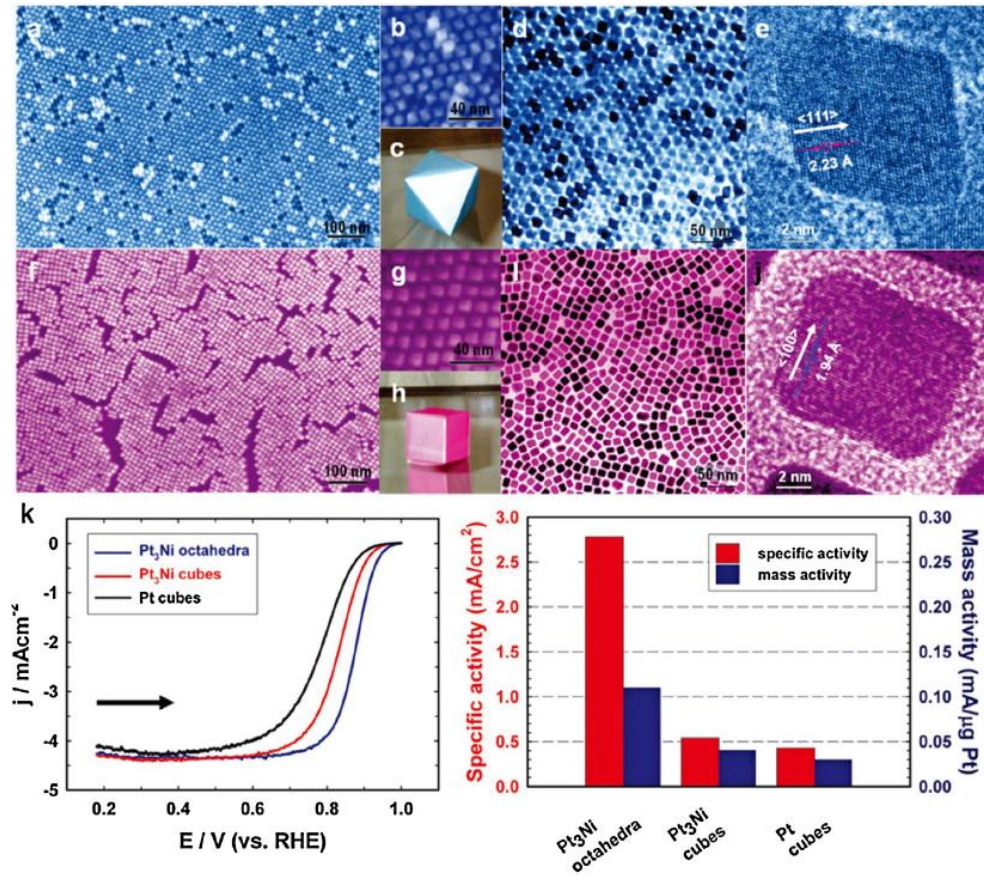
Oxygen reduction reaction at 0.93 V<sub>RHE</sub>



[Nano Lett. 11 (2011) 3714.]

## Strategies to improve activity

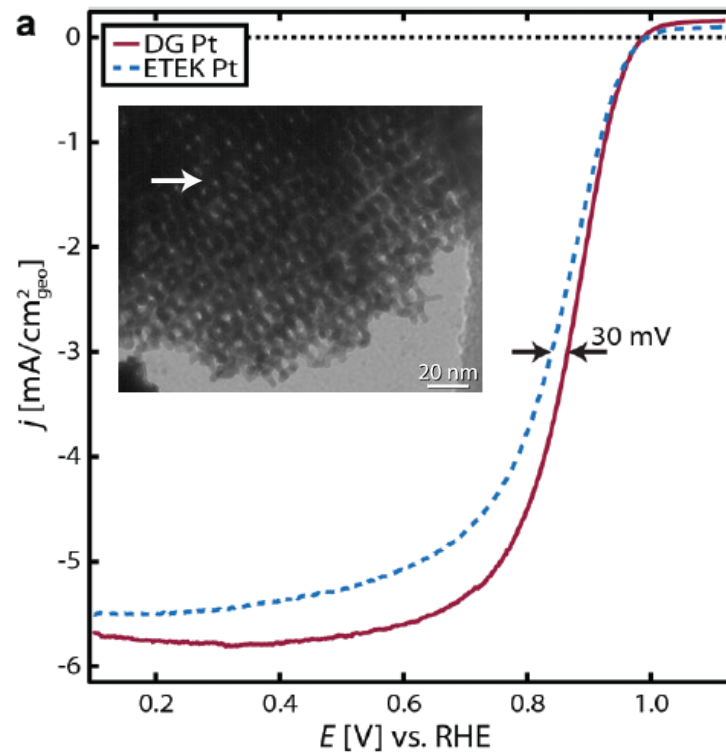
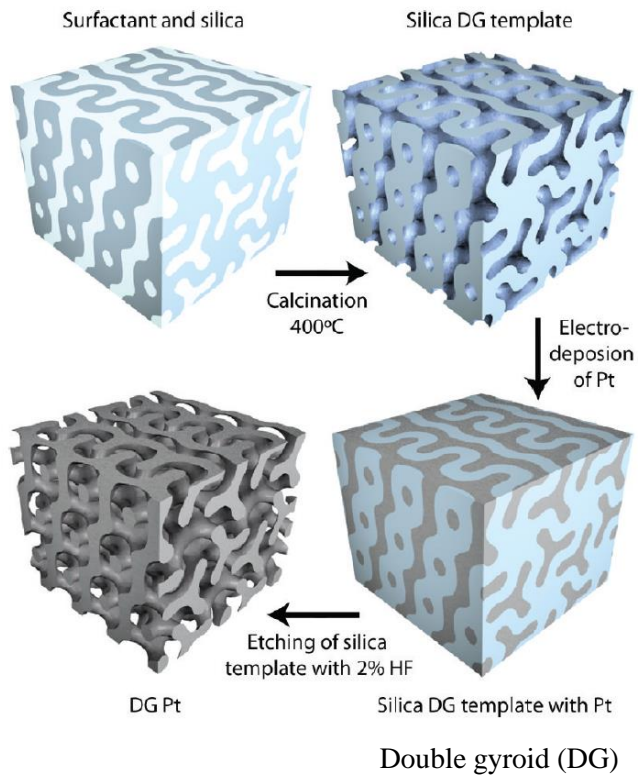
### Shape control



[Nano Lett. 10 (2010) 638.]

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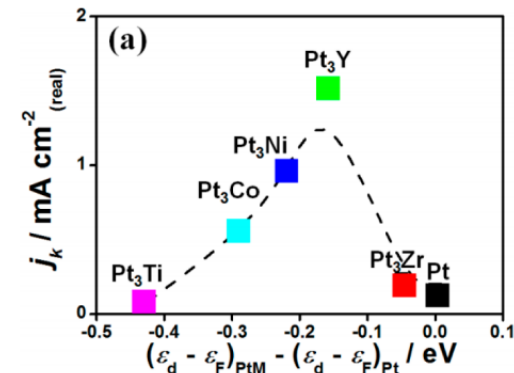
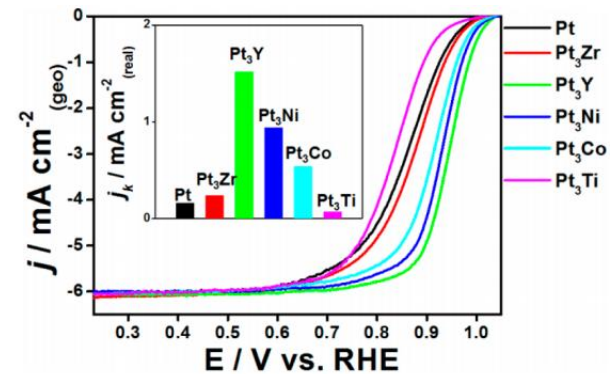
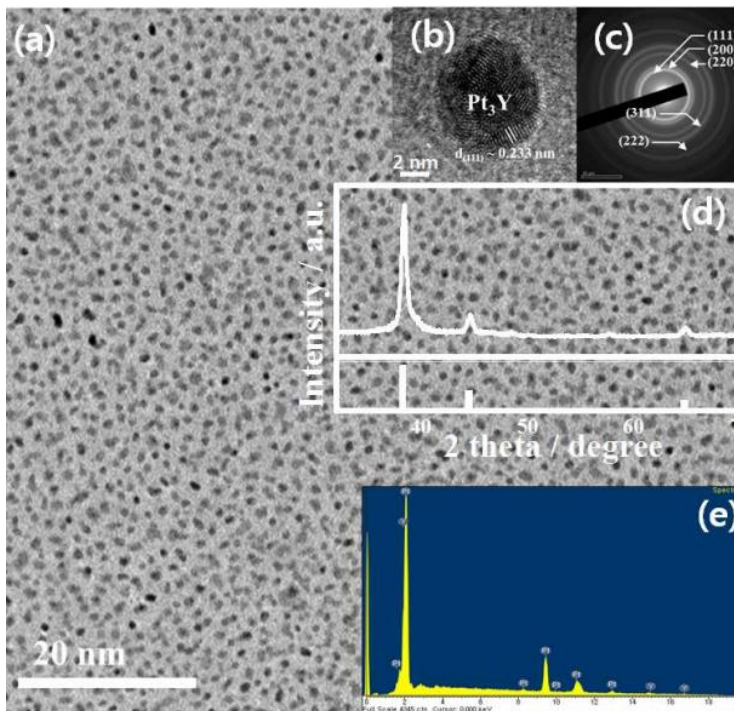
### Shape control



[J. Am. Chem. Soc. 134 (2012) 7758.]

## Strategies to improve activity

### Alloy

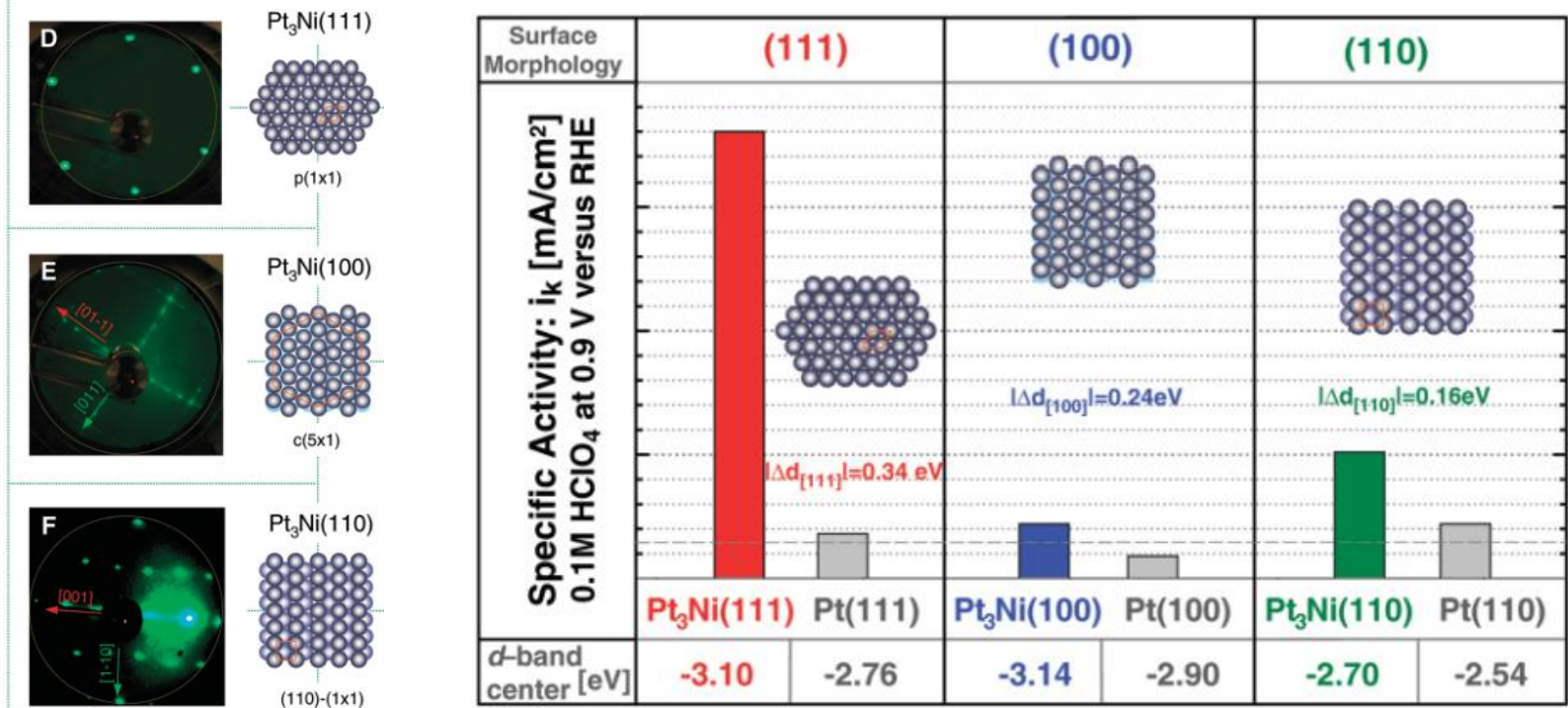


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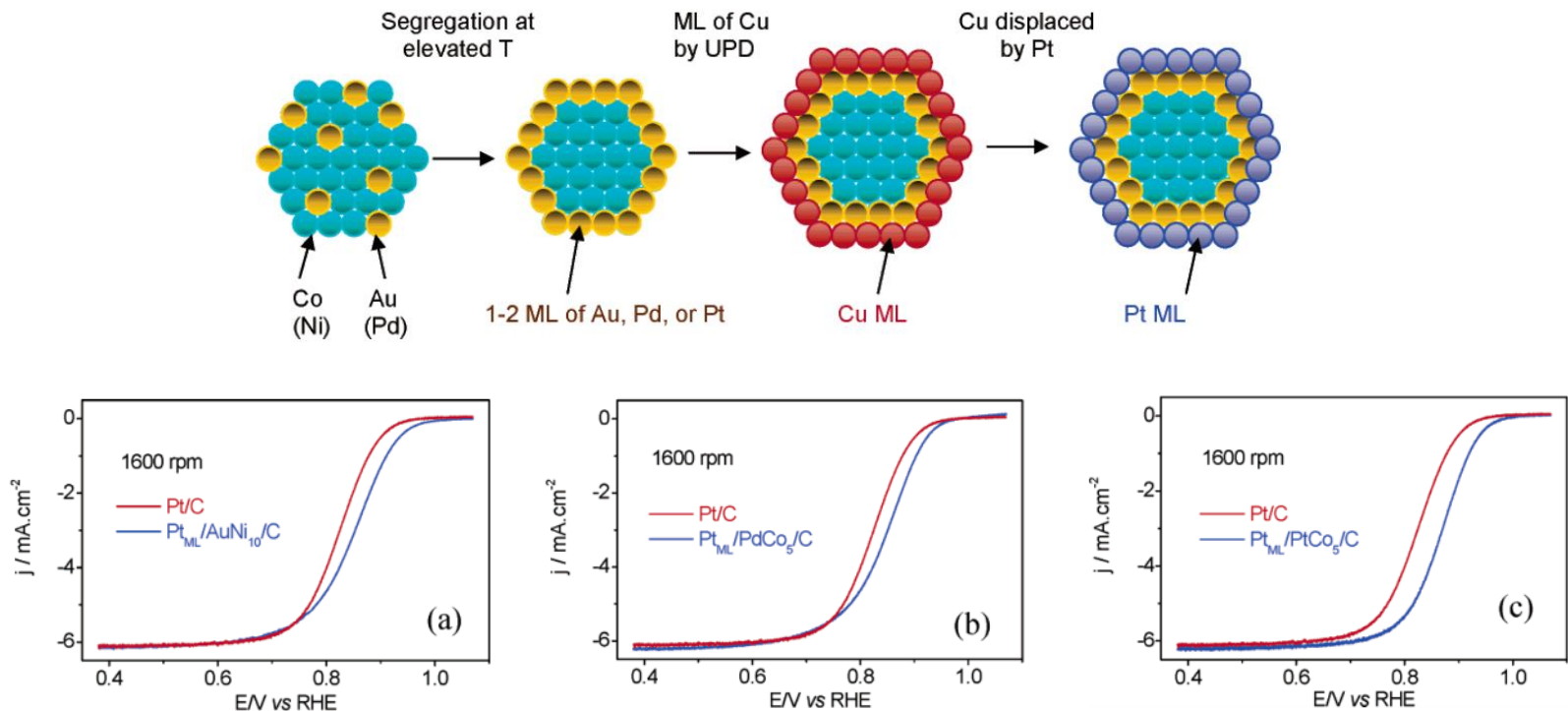
### Alloy



[Science 315 (2007) 493.]

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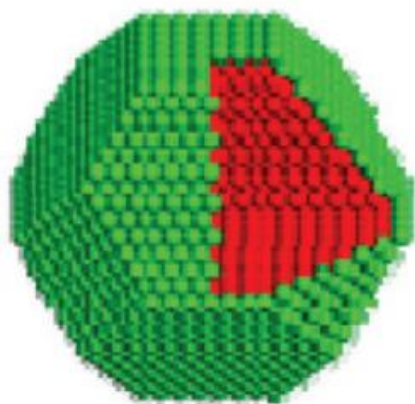
### Core-shell



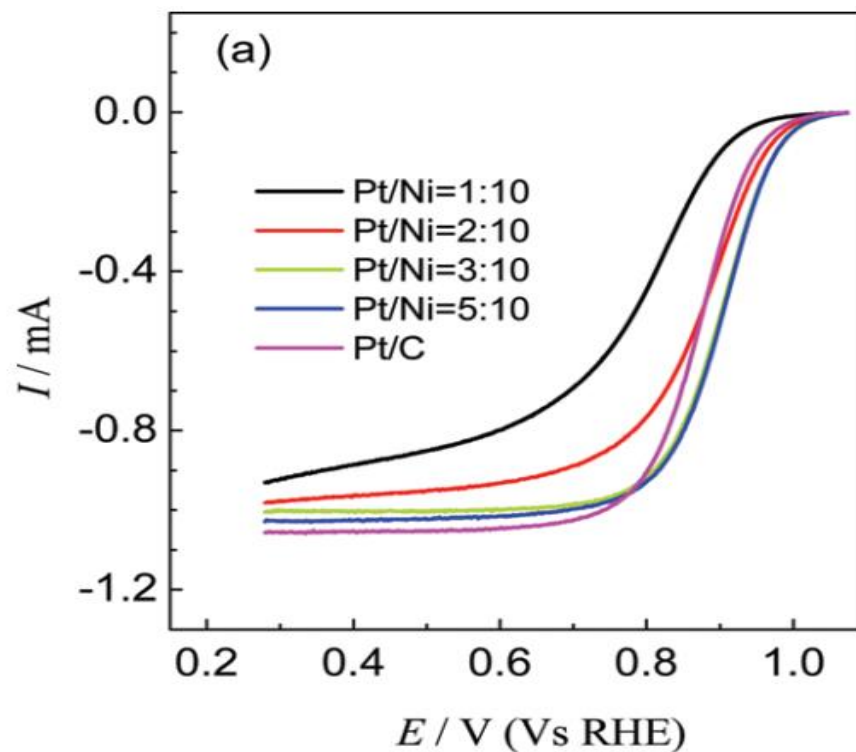
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### Core-shell



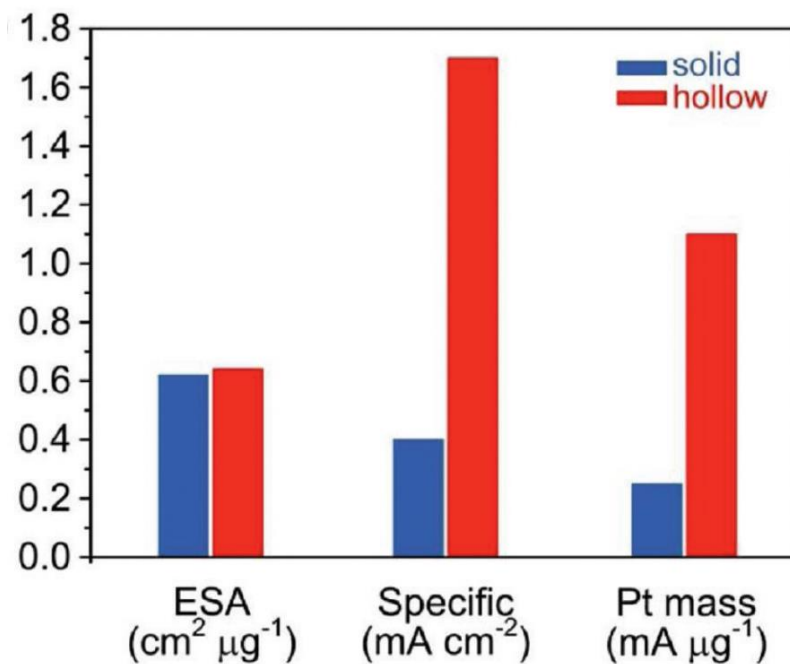
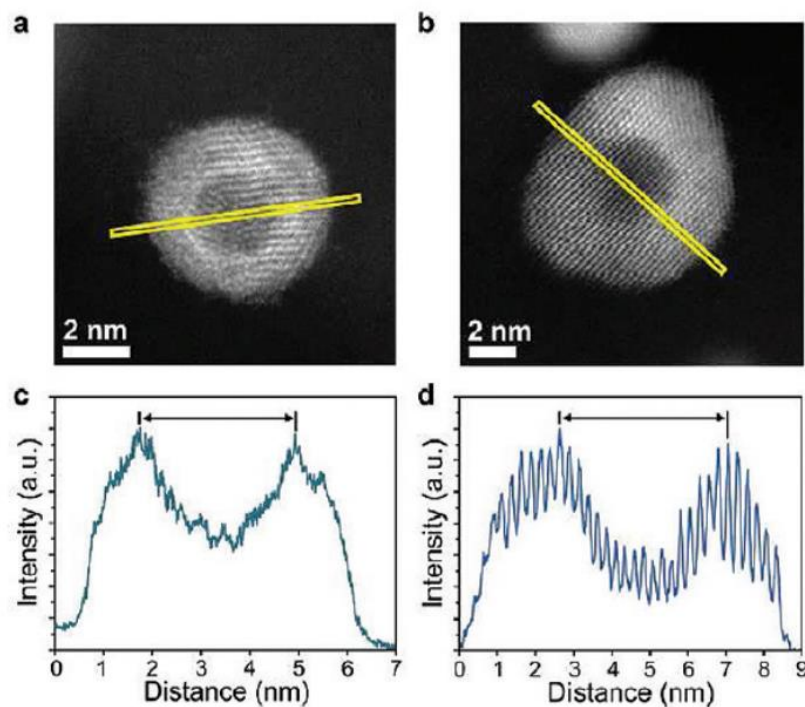
● Pt  
● Ni



[J. Phys. Chem. C 115 (2011) 24073.]

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### Hollow



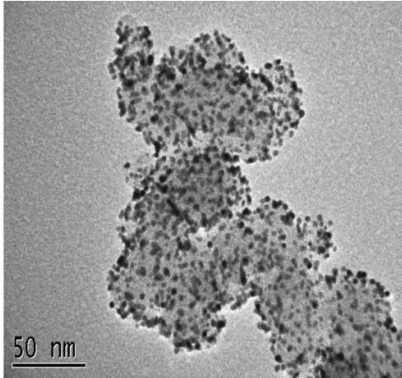
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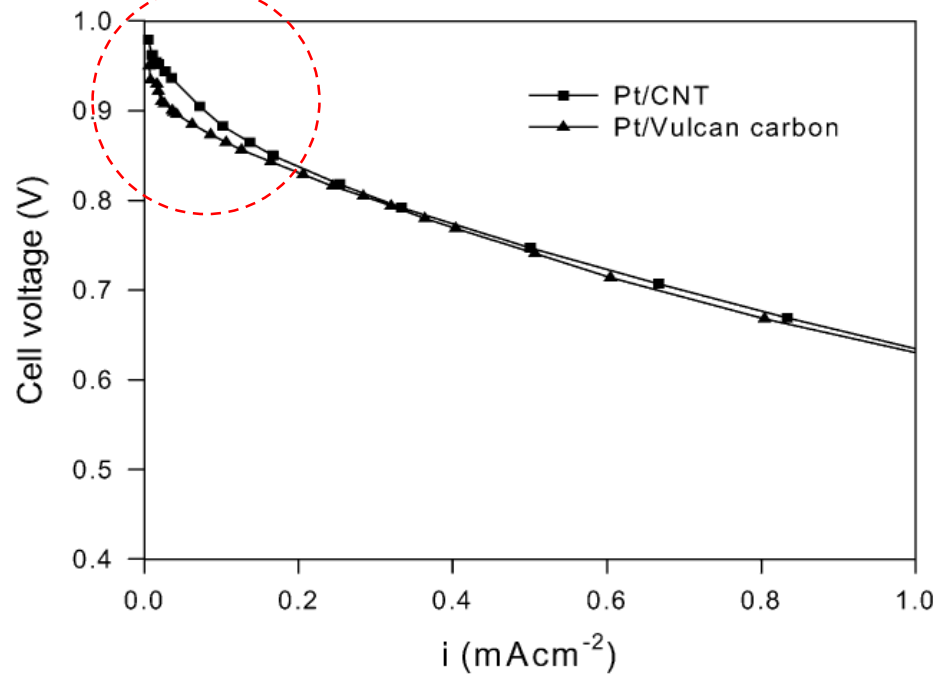
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### Substrate

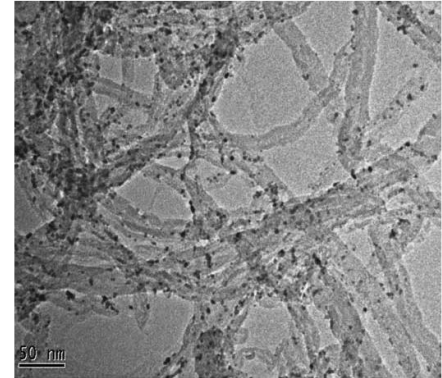
Pt/C



50 °C, 1 bar H<sub>2</sub>/1 bar O<sub>2</sub>



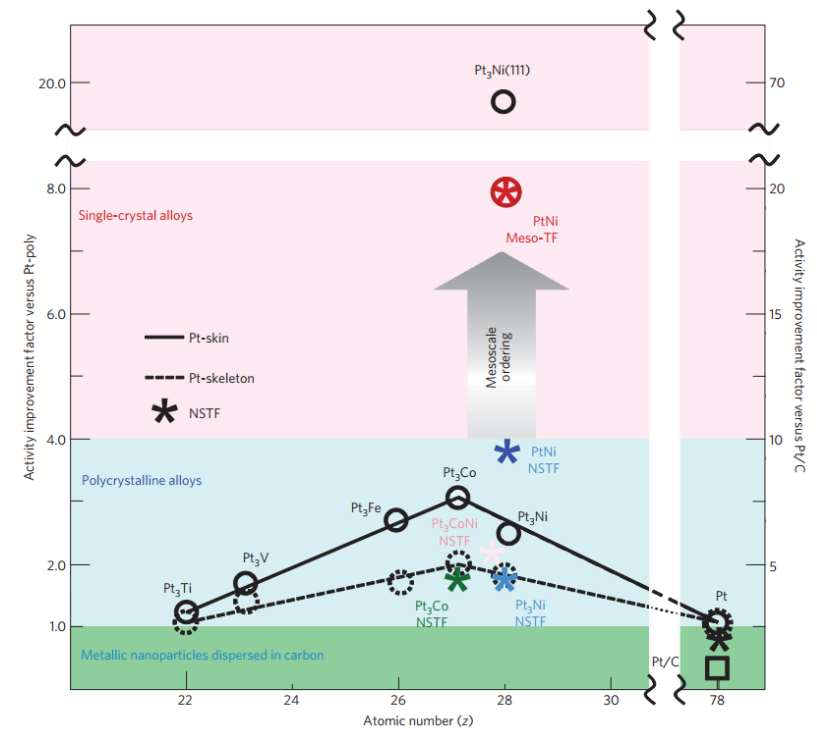
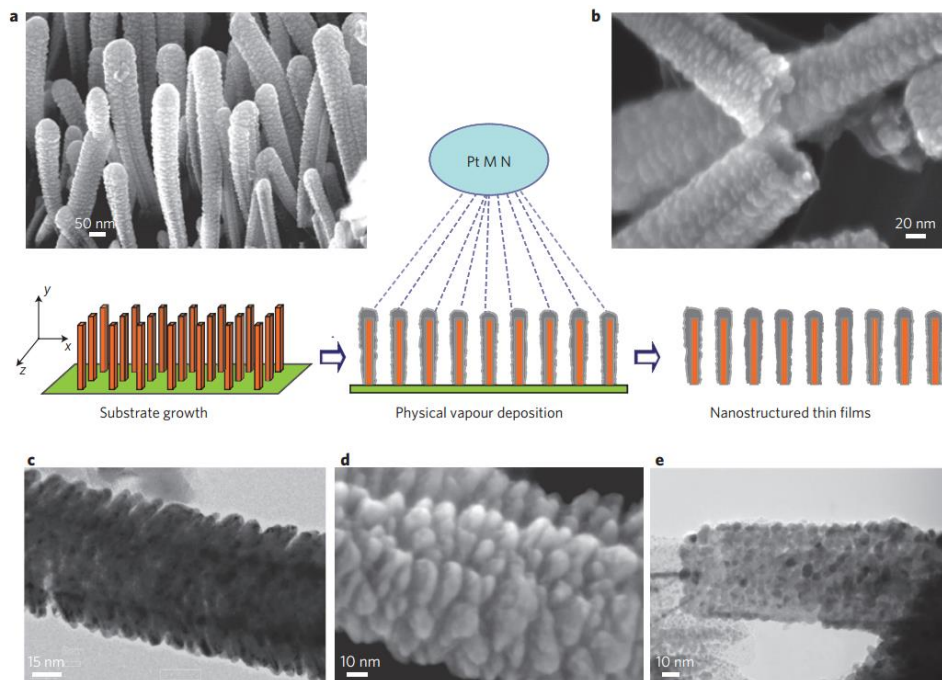
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[J. Power Sources 139 (2005) 73.]

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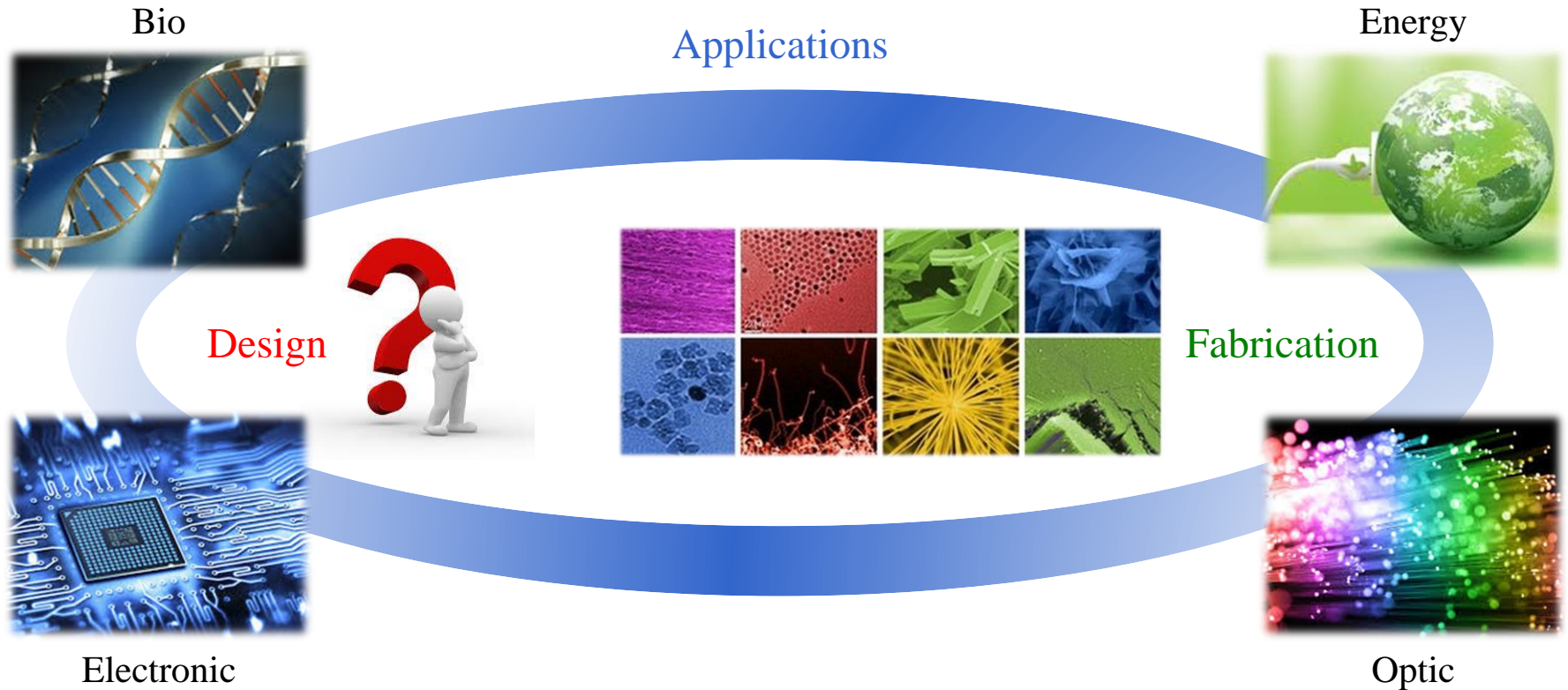


[Nat. Mater. 11 (2012) 1051.]

# Nanoparticle Technology

## What is nanotechnology?

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



# Introduction to Energy Engineering

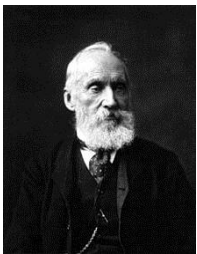
## Energy: definition

**Word “energy” is originated from the Ancient Greek “energeia” meaning activity and operation.**



**Thomas Young**

In 1807,  
Thomas Young firstly used scientific word “energy” in modern sense.

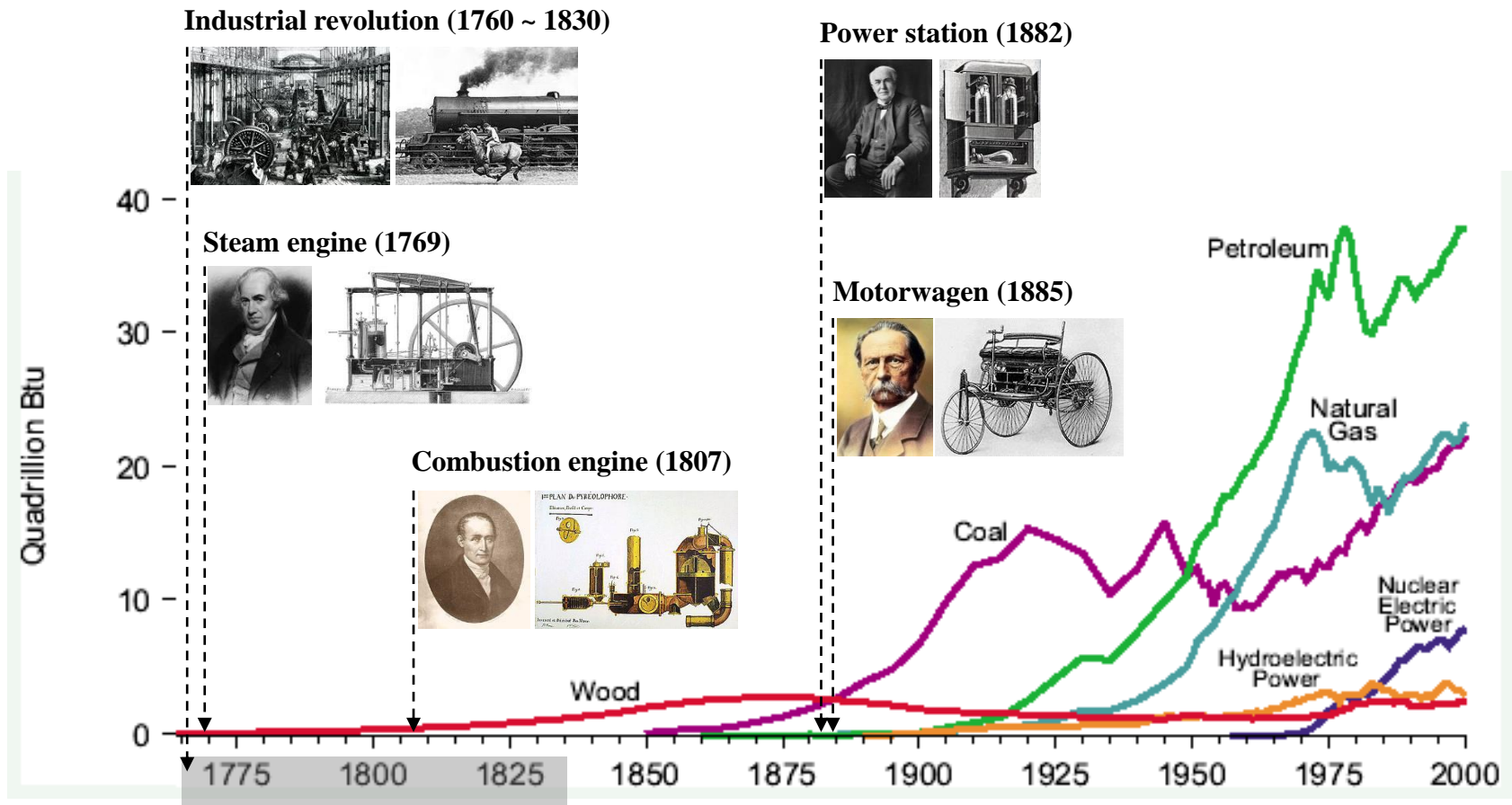


**William Thomson  
(Lord Kelvin)**

In 1852,  
William Thomson introduced the energy to thermodynamics with the theory of conservation of energy (first law of thermodynamics).

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## Energy: historical time line





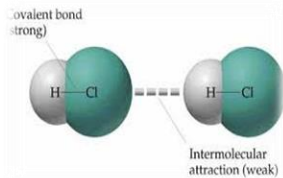
# Nanoparticle Technology

## Forms of Energy

**Kinetic**



**Chemical**



**Potential**



**Mechanical**



**Mechanical wave**



**Nuclear**



**Thermal (heat)**



**Electrical**



**Magnetic**

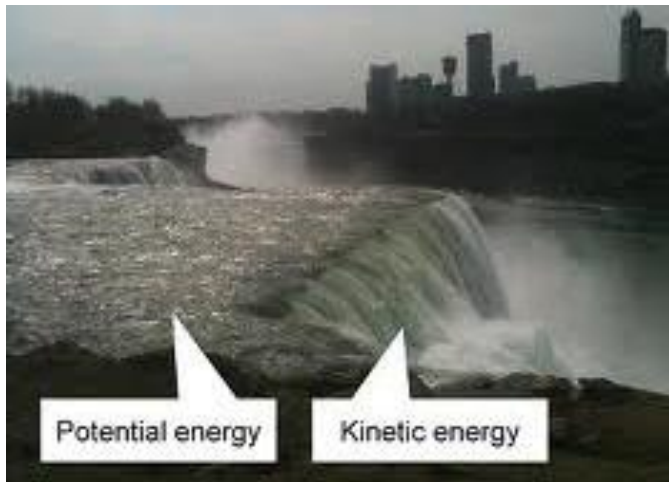


**Radiant**



## Energy classification 1: thermodynamics

### Macroscopic energy



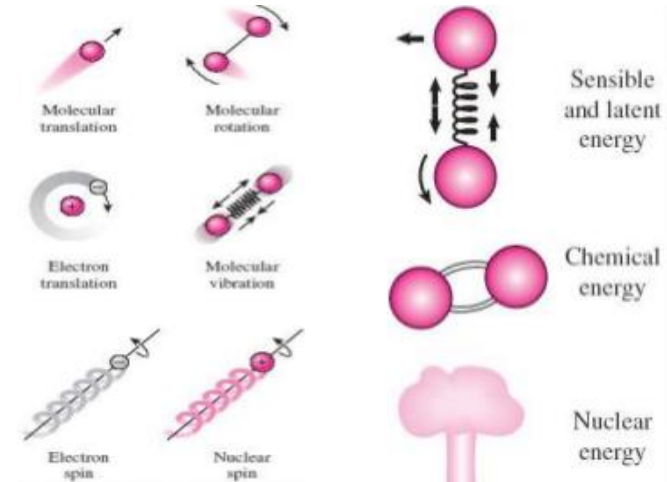
Potential energy ( $PE$ ):

The energy that a system possesses as a result of its **elevation in a gravitational field**.

Kinetic energy ( $KE$ ):

The energy that a system possesses as a result of its **motion relative to some reference frame**.

### Microscopic energy



Internal energy ( $U$ ):

Sum of all microscopic forms of energy

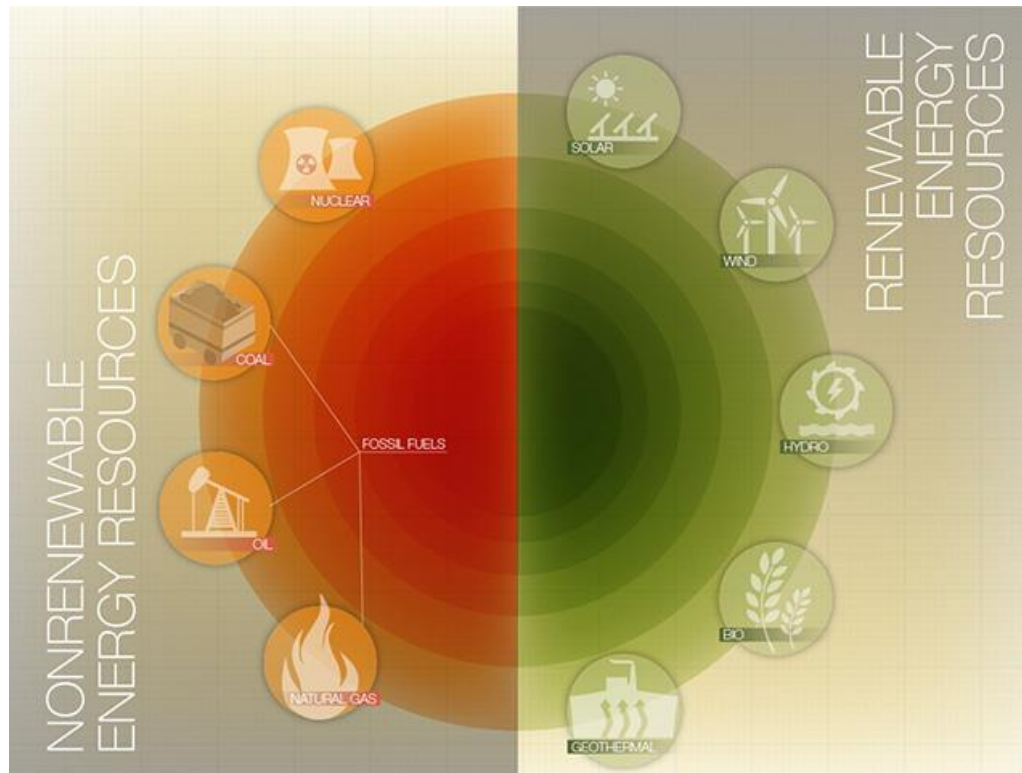
$$\text{Total energy of a system: } E = PE + KE + U$$



## Energy classification 2: renewability

### Non-renewable energy

### Renewable energy



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## Energy classification 3: use stage

### Primary energy (sources)



### Secondary energy (refined or generated)

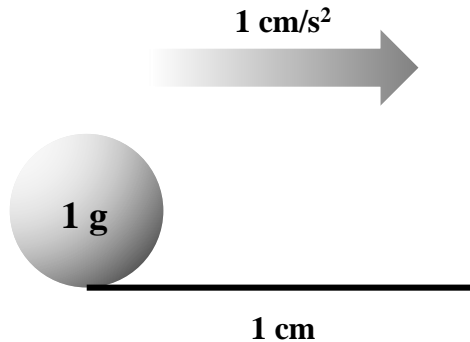


### Final energy (beneficial for real life)



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## Energy units



$$1 \text{ g} \times 1 \text{ cm} \times 1 \text{ cm/s}^2 = 1 \text{ erg} = 10^{-7} \text{ J (Joule)}$$

$$1 \text{ J} = 2.39 \times 10 \text{ cal} = 2.78 \times 10^4 \text{ W}\cdot\text{h} = 6.24 \times 10^{18} \text{ eV} = 2.39 \times 10^{-4} \text{ g TNT}$$



Thermal (heat)  
Food industry



Power



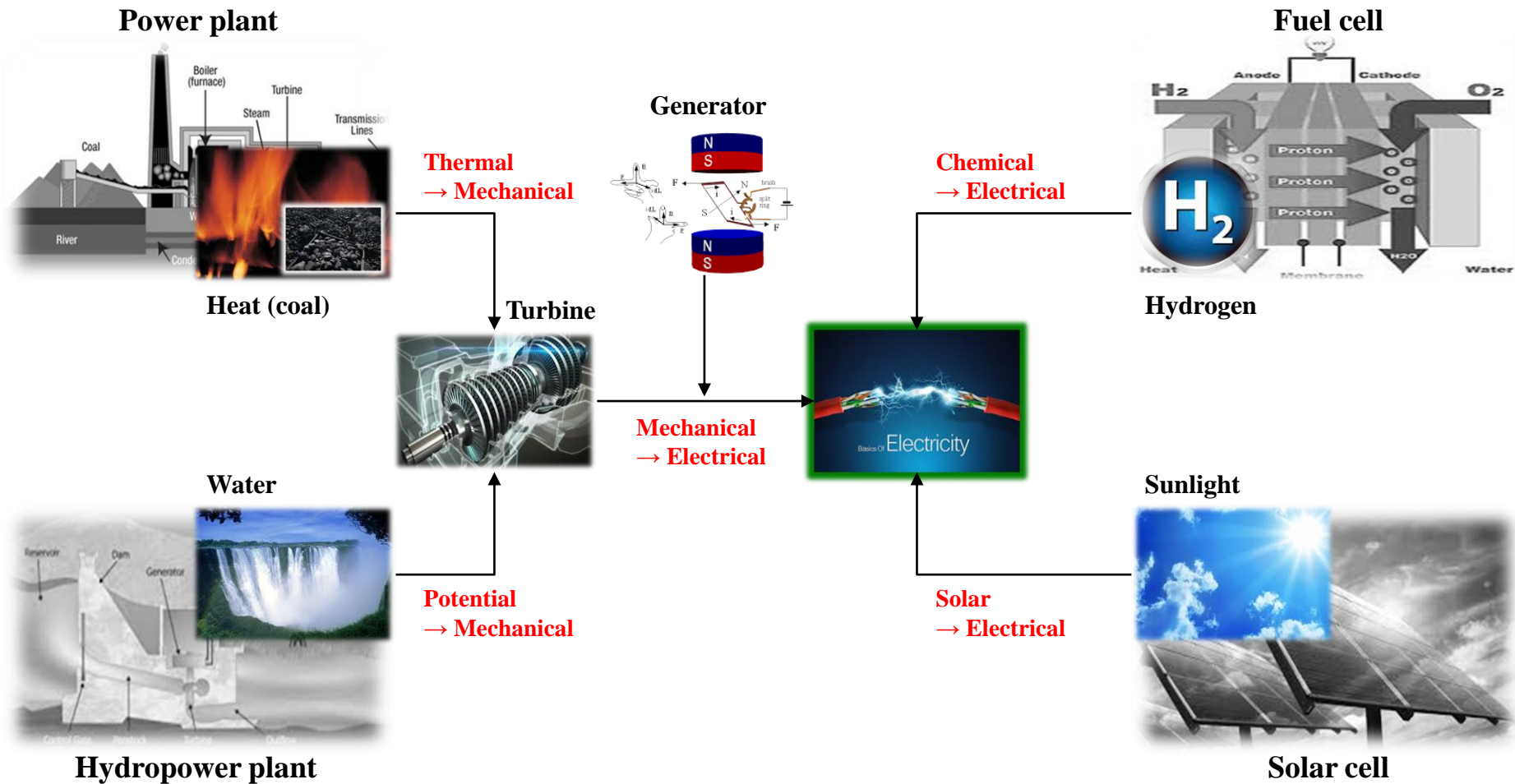
Electrical



Explosive

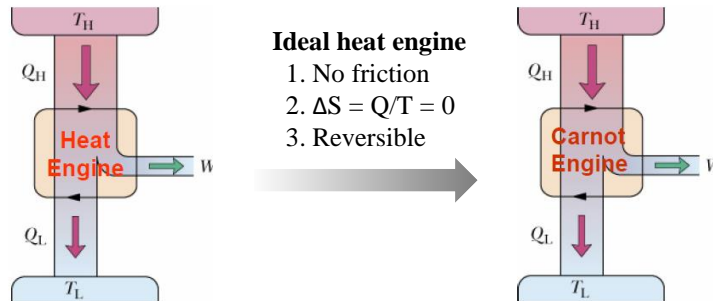
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## Energy conversion for electricity



## Energy issues: 1. Conversion efficiency

### Power plant



Efficiency at  $T_H = 673 \text{ K}$  ( $400^\circ \text{C}$ ) and  $T_L = 298 \text{ K}$  ( $25^\circ \text{C}$ )

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\text{Useful output}}{\text{Total input}} = \frac{|W|}{|Q_H|} = 1 - \frac{|Q_L|}{|Q_H|} = 1 - \frac{T_L}{T_H} = 0.56$$

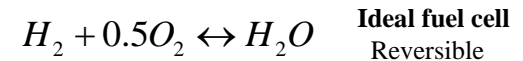
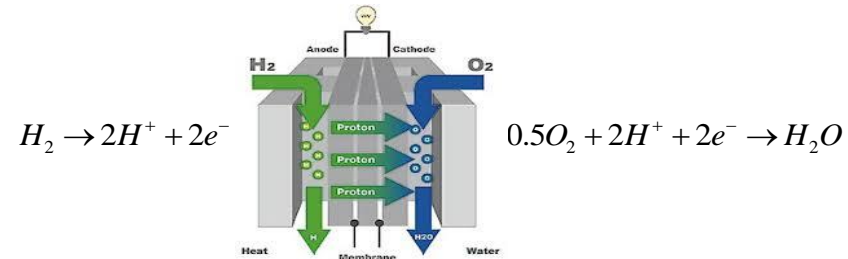
$$|W| = |Q_H| - |Q_L|$$

1<sup>st</sup> law: conservation of energy

$$\Delta S = 0 = \frac{|Q_H|}{T_H} - \frac{|Q_L|}{T_L}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{|Q_H|}{T_H} = \frac{|Q_L|}{T_L}$$

### Fuel cell



Efficiency at  $298 \text{ K}$  ( $25^\circ \text{C}$ )

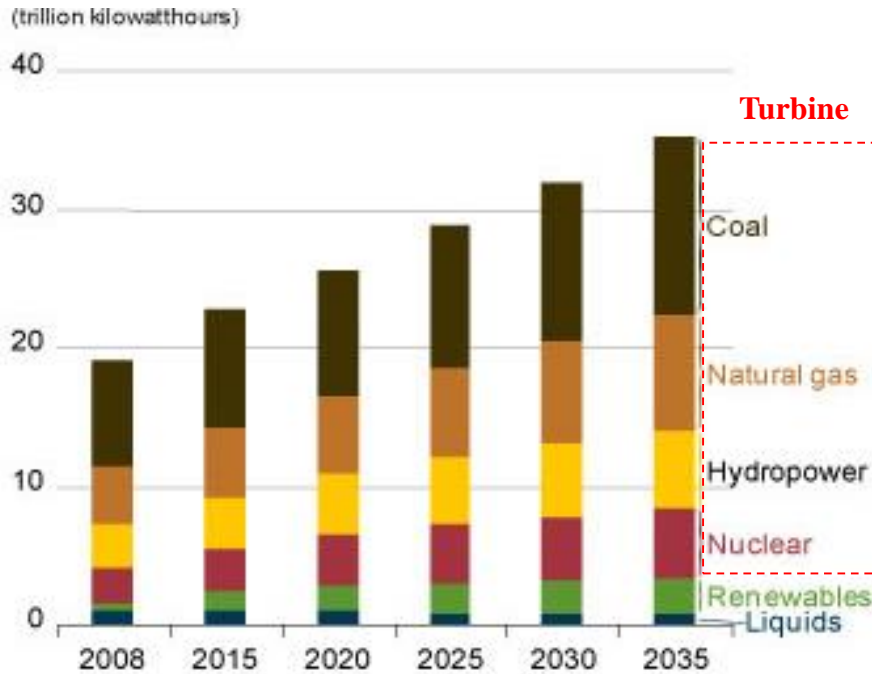
$$\varepsilon = \frac{\text{Useful output}}{\text{Total input}} = \frac{\Delta G_{298K}^0}{\Delta H_{298K}^0} = \frac{-237 \text{ kJ/mol}}{-286 \text{ kJ/mol}} = 0.83$$

Form of water product	Temp $^\circ \text{C}$	$\Delta \bar{g}_f$ , $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	Efficiency limit %
Liquid	25	-237.2	83
Liquid	80	-228.2	80
Gas	100	-225.2	79
Gas	200	-220.4	77
Gas	400	-210.3	74
Gas	600	-199.6	70
Gas	800	-188.6	66
Gas	1000	-177.4	62

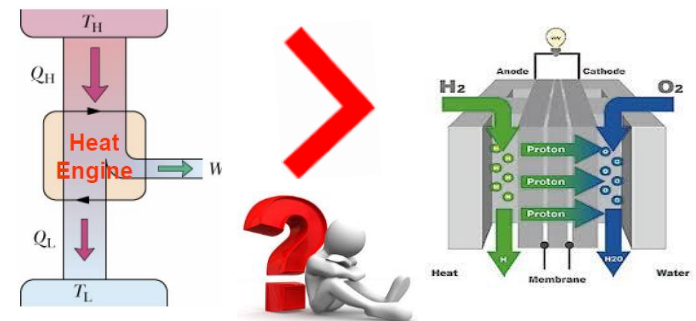
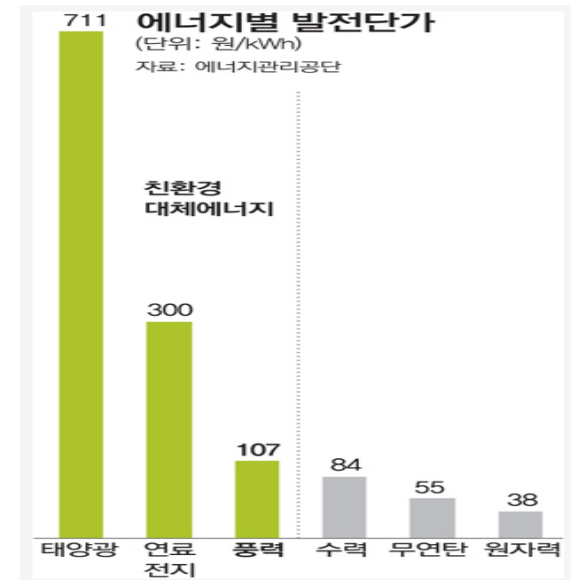


## Energy issues: 2. Dependence and cost

### World electricity generation



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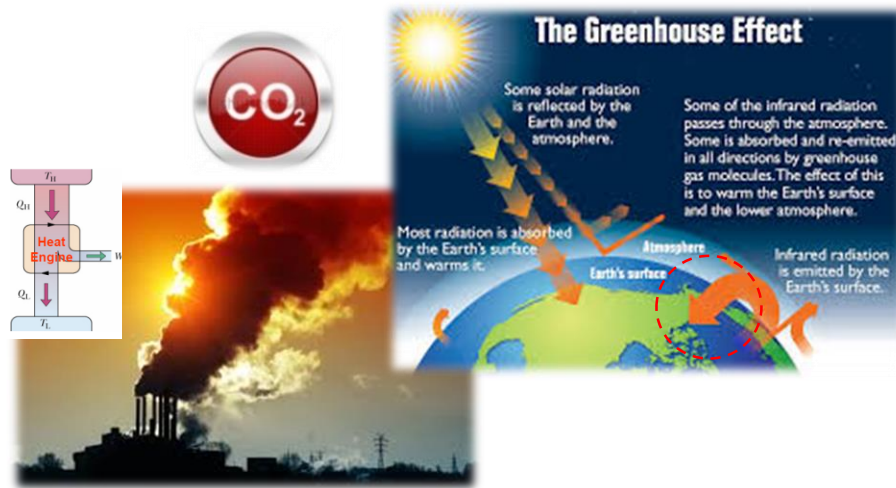




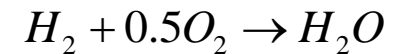
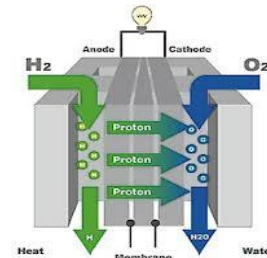
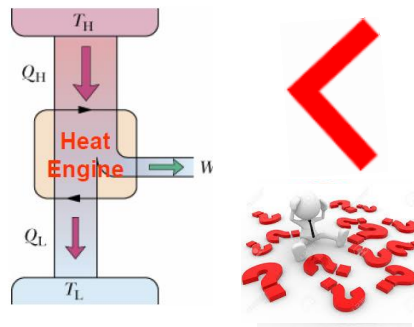
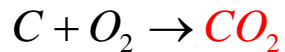
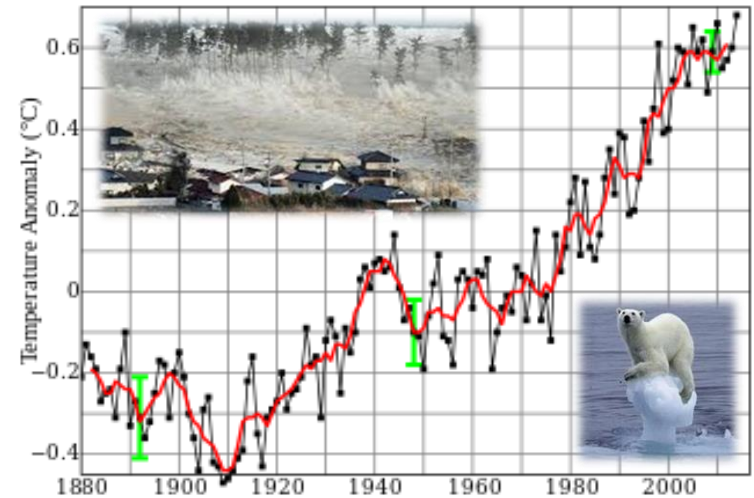
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## Energy issues: 3. Environment

### Greenhouse effect



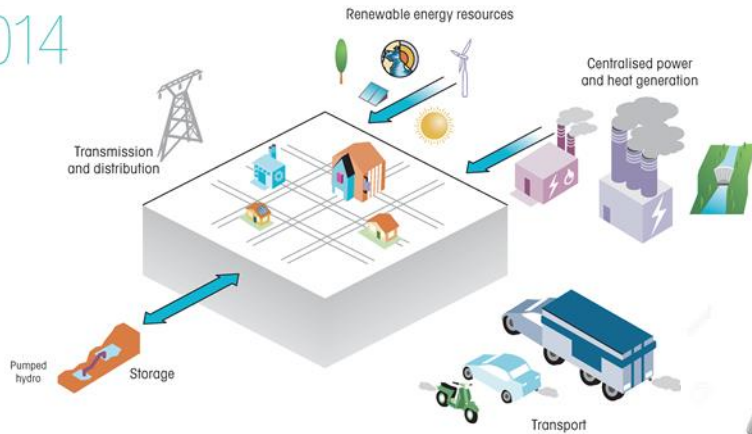
### Global warming



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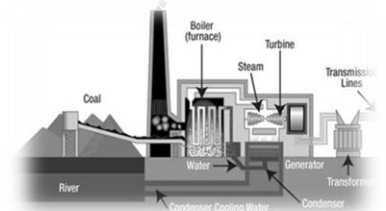
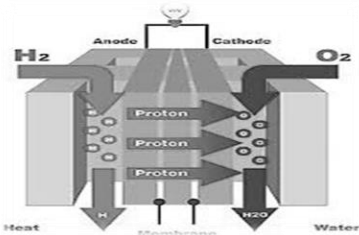
## Complementary cooperation for future

2014



**Renewable energy**  
(sunlight, wind.....)

1. Cost
2. Discontinuity

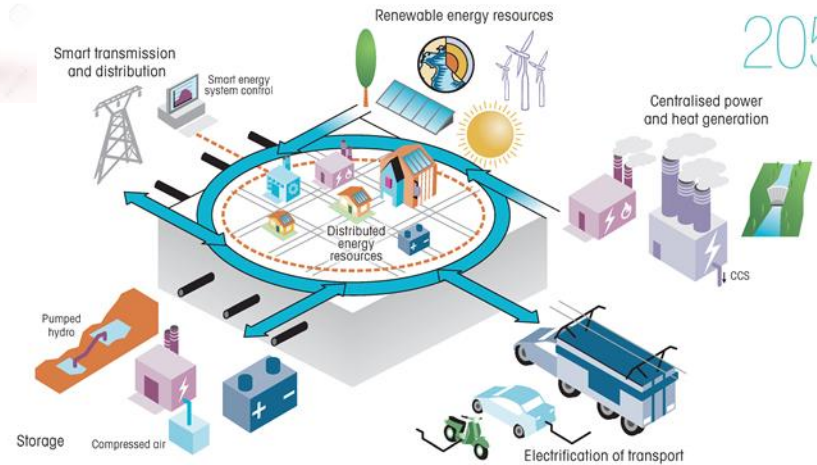


**Non-renewable energy**  
(coal, oil, gas.....)

1. Depletion
2. Efficiency
3. Environment

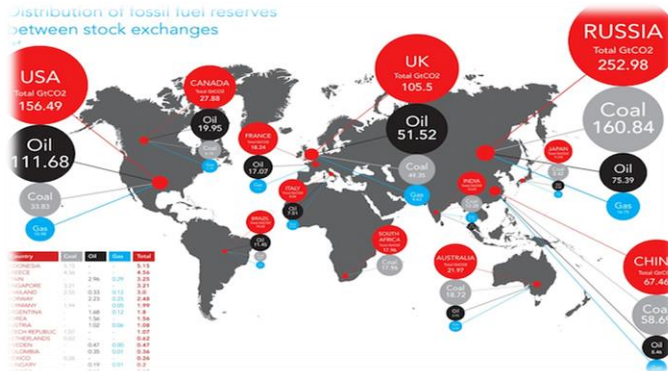


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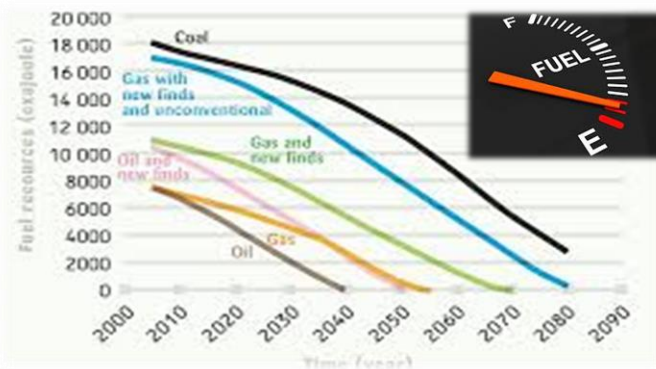


## Non-renewable energy for future

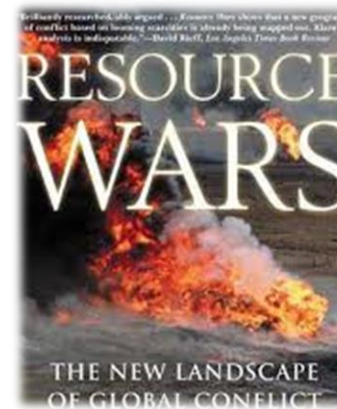
### Energy reserves distribution



### Energy depletion



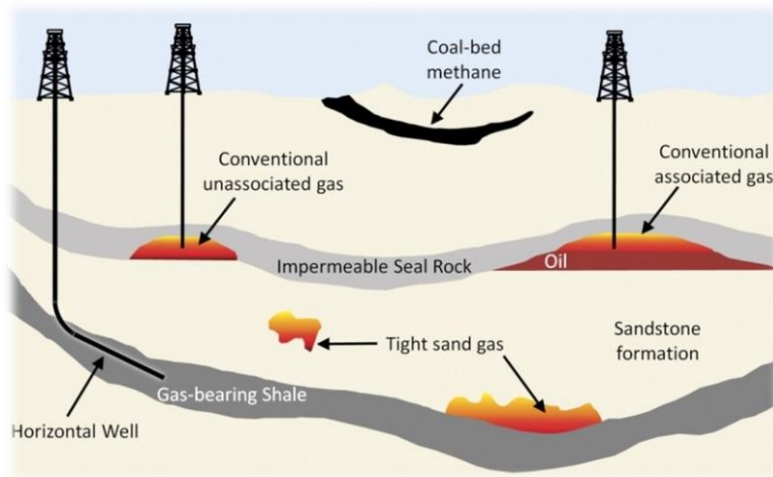
### Resources war



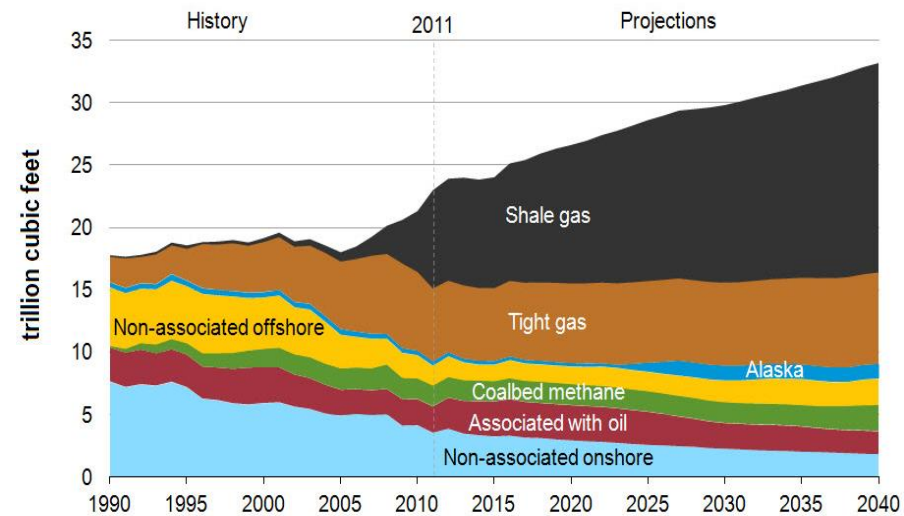
## Non-renewable energy for future

### Depletion problem (resources explore with advanced technology)

#### Shale gas



#### Prediction of gas production portion



**Chemical composition of shale gas is very similar with that of conventional gas.**

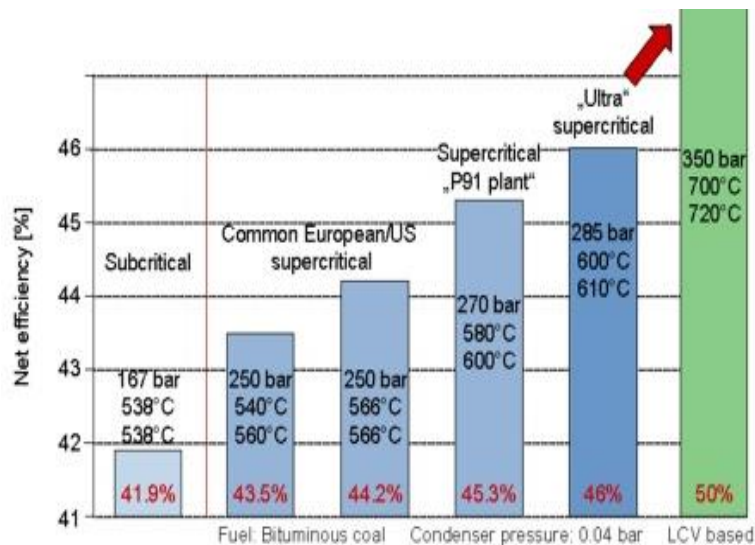
**Production of shale gas will be hugely increased.**



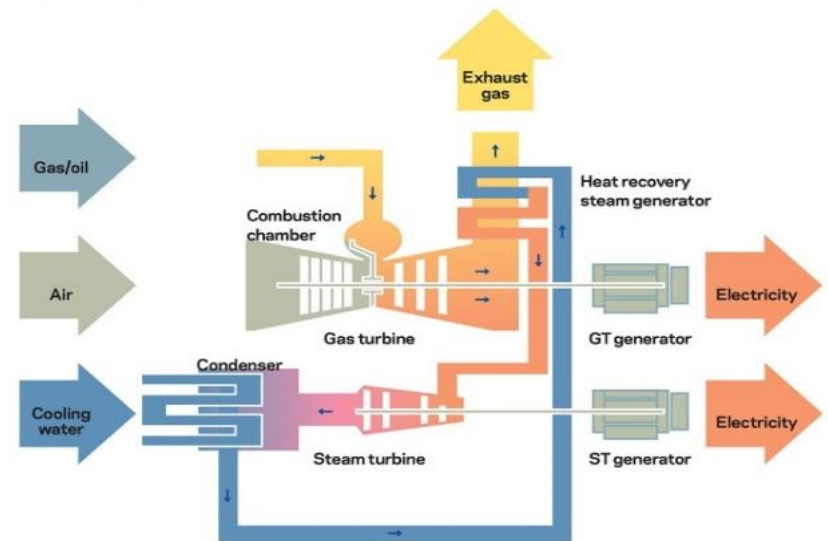
## Non-renewable energy for future

### Efficiency problem (development of new type power plant)

#### Ultra-supercritical power plant



#### Combined cycle power plant

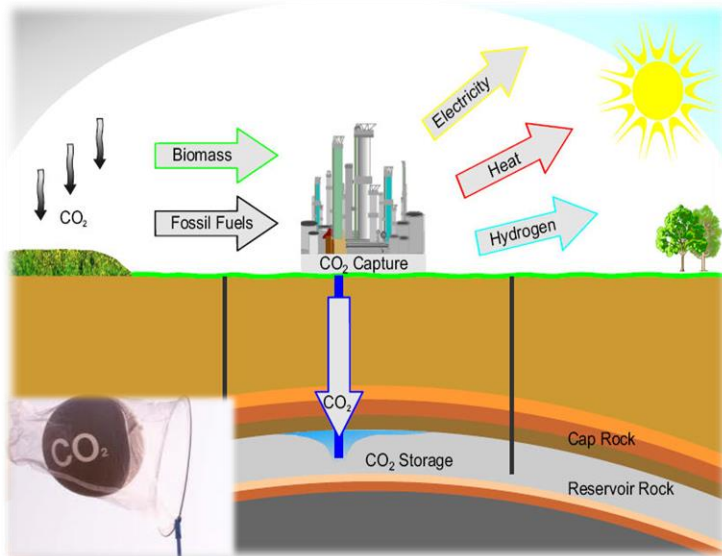


Ultra-supercritical and combined cycle power plants are expected to increase the efficiency compared with conventional power plant.

## Non-renewable energy for future

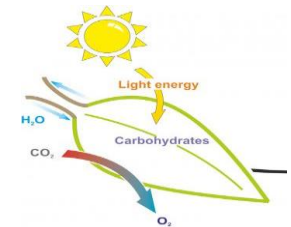
### Environment problem

#### Carbon capture and storage

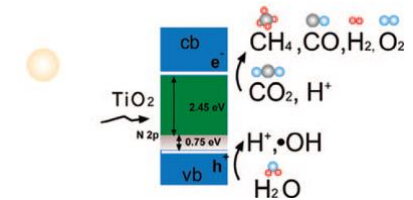
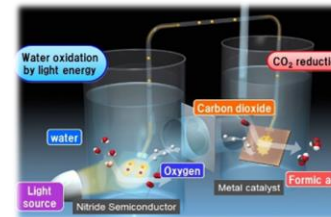


#### $\text{CO}_2$ conversion (utilization)

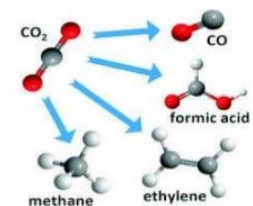
##### Biochemical



##### Photochemical



##### Electrochemical





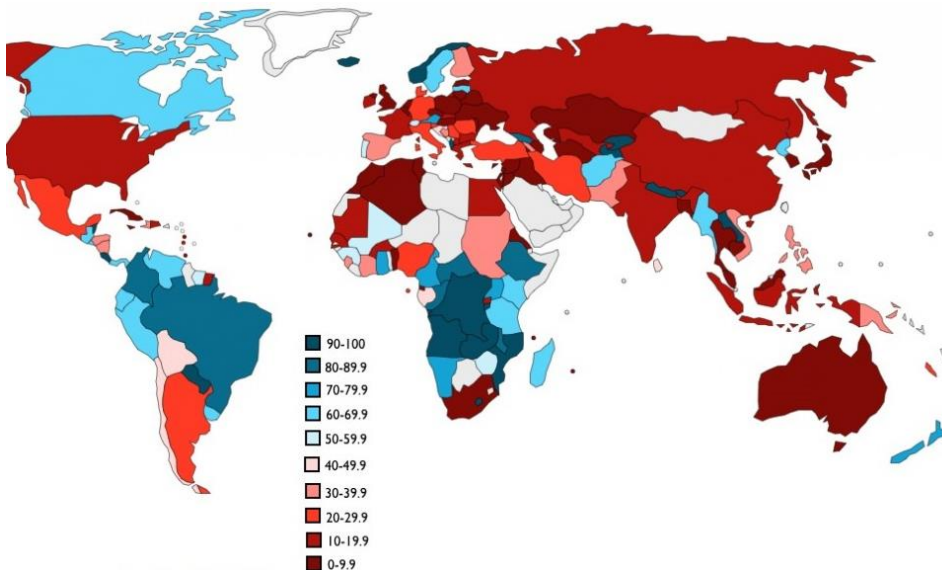
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## Renewable energy for future

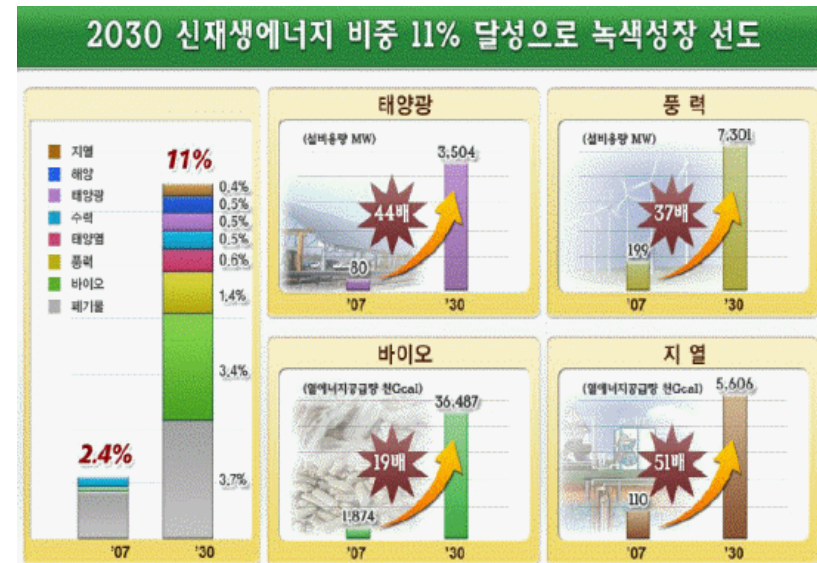


## Renewable energy for future

Electricity generation from renewable energy (%)



제 1차 국가에너지기본계획 (2008)



In Korea, the electricity generation percentage from renewable energy is below 10 %.

## Renewable energy for future

- > Transport and storage
- > **CO<sub>2</sub> emission process**
- > **Clean process**

### Energy sources

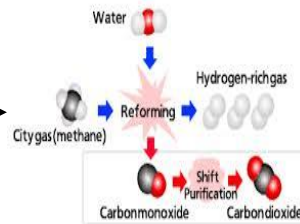
#### Fossil fuels



### Power plant



#### Reforming

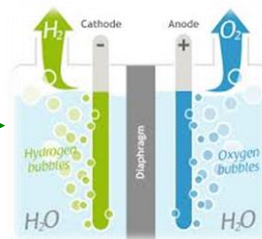


**H<sub>2</sub>**  
 High efficiency (~ 85%)  
 Low price (~ 0.75 \$/kg)  
 CO<sub>2</sub> emission

### Renewable energy

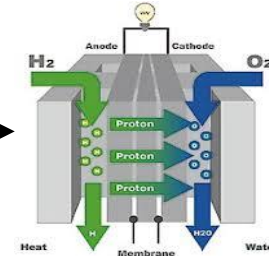


#### Water electrolysis

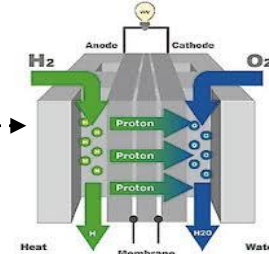


**H<sub>2</sub>**  
 CO<sub>2</sub> zero-emission  
 Low efficiency (~ 40 %)  
 High price (~ 2.56 \$/kg)

#### Fuel cell



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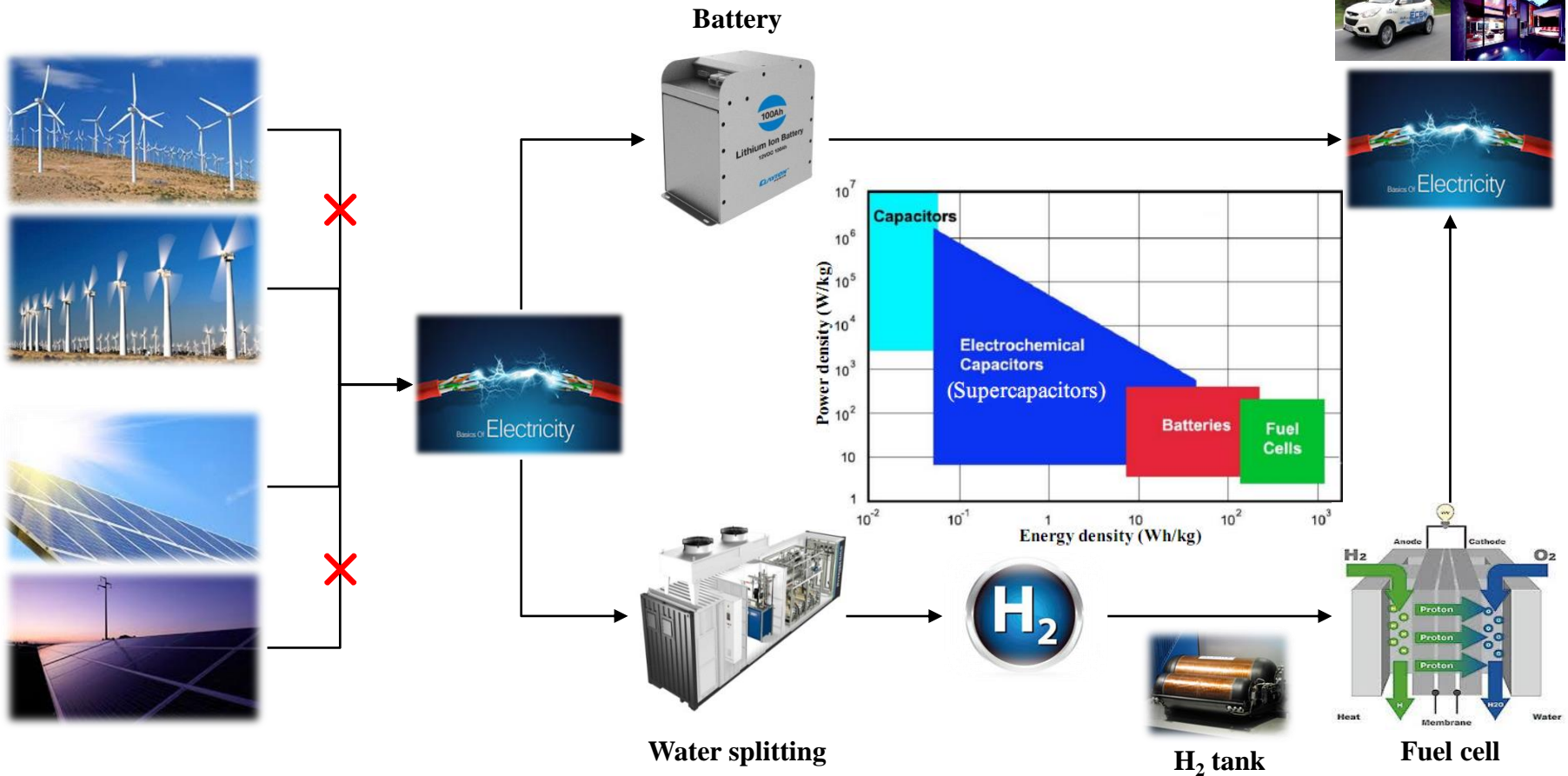




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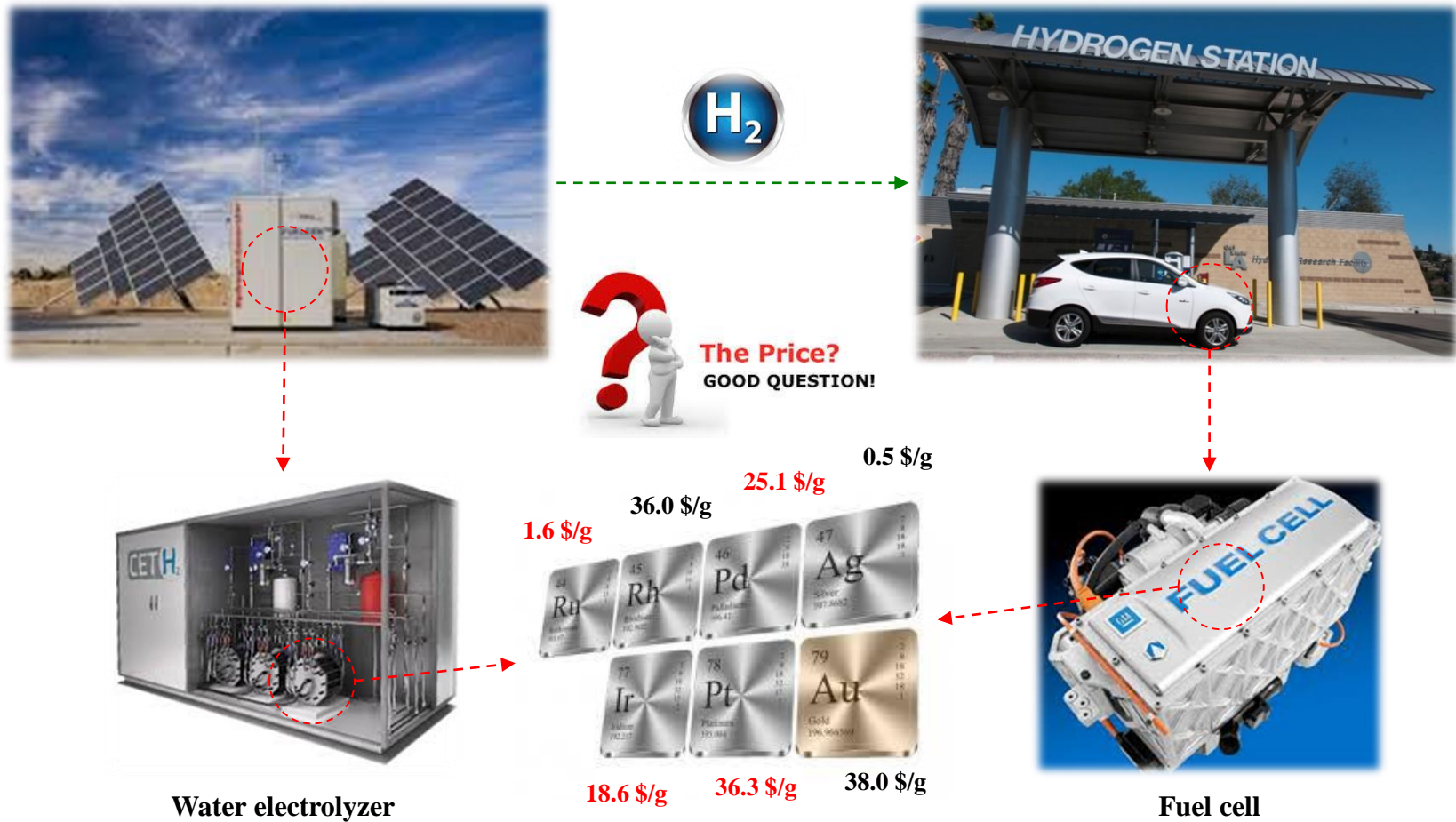
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### Storage concept



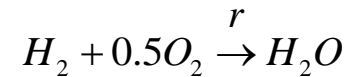
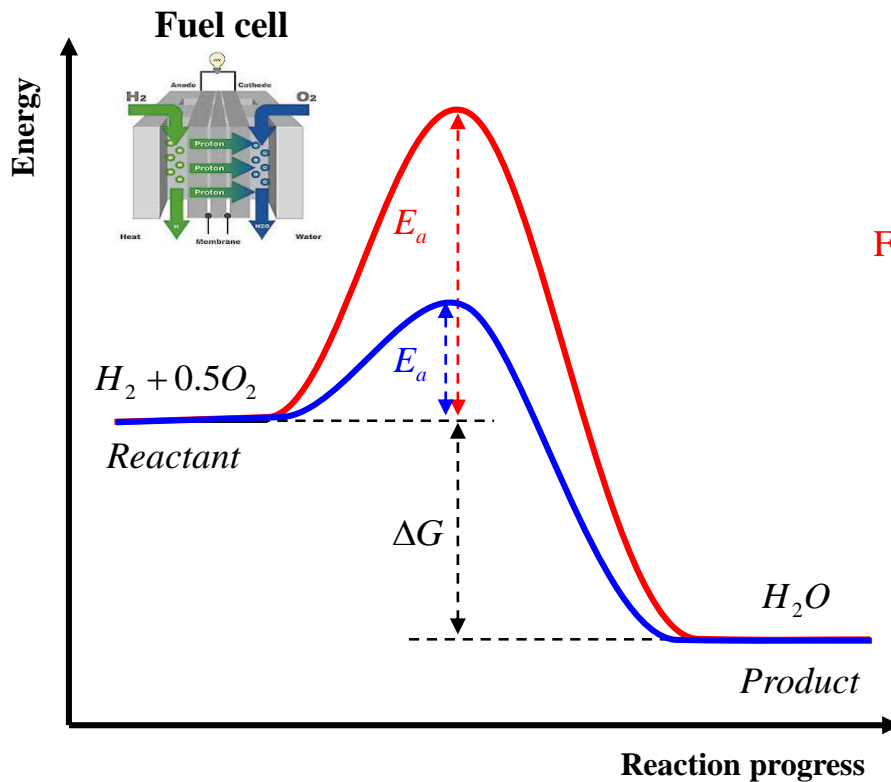
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## Renewable energy for future



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### Cost problem (kinetic)



$$r = kC_{\text{reactant}}, \quad k = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$$

For non-catalyzed reaction

$$k = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$$

For catalyzed reaction

$$k = Ae^{-E_a/RT}$$

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Platinum (Pt) catalyst for fuel cell reactions

