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New Methodologies in Materials Research for Accelerated Innovation

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- **The Materials Research Laboratory**
- **The Nature Materials Research**
- **New Methods and Methodologies**



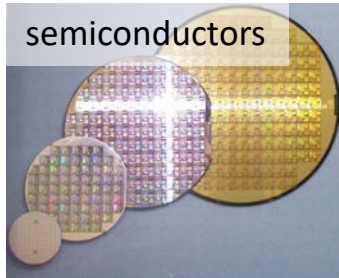
The Materials Research Laboratory

<https://mrl.mit.edu/>

- Promotes Interdisciplinary Materials Research
- Provides a Nexus for Internal and External Communication
 - Engages with Industry

MRL Industry Collegium; Partnering with ILP and MIT.nano





Materials for:

- Tissue engineering
- In vivo drug delivery
- Biomedical devices
- Batteries: metal-ion, flow, metal-air
 - Solar cells
- Mechanical energy harvesting
- Thermal energy harvesting
 - Hydrolysis
 - Fuel cells
- Quantum computing
 - Computation
 - Sensing
- Water treatment
 - Displays
 - Coatings
 - Catalysts
 - Structures
- Transportation
- and more!

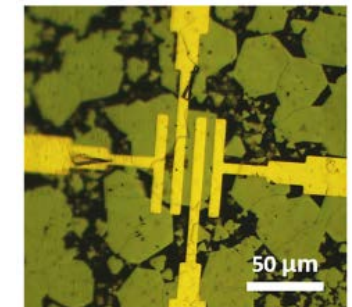
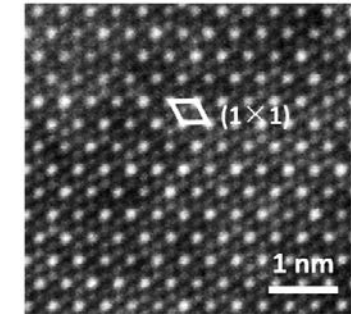
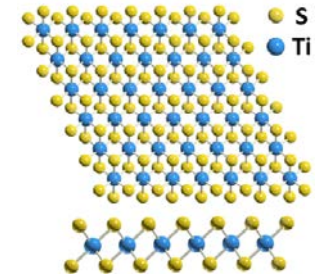
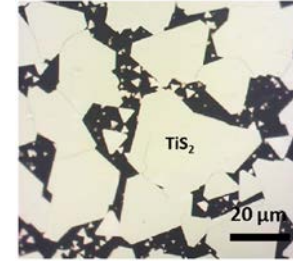
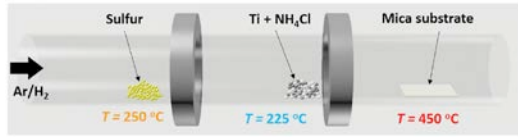


Over 150 faculty and their groups carry out materials research at MIT!

Materials Research



2D Materials Research

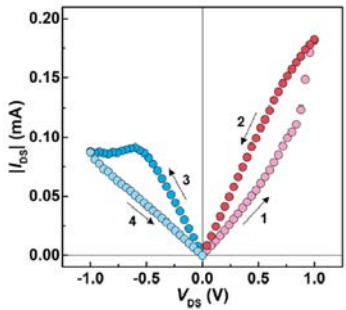
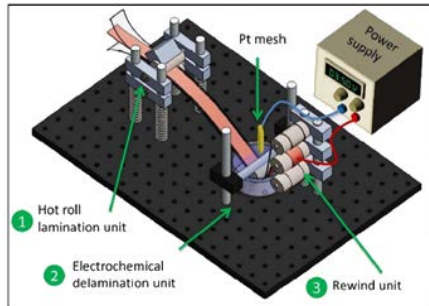


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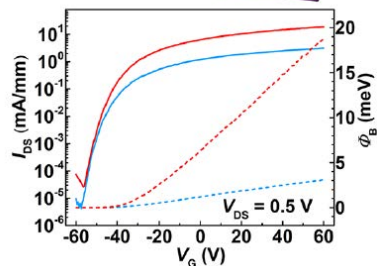
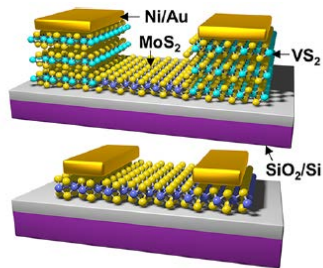
What Their Structure Is

How They Perform

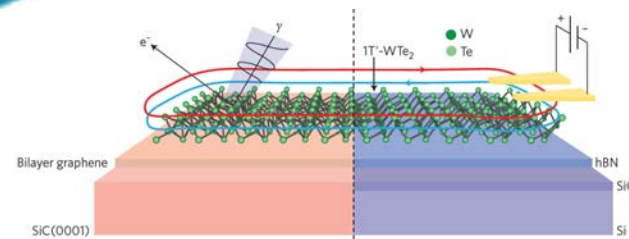
What Their Properties Are



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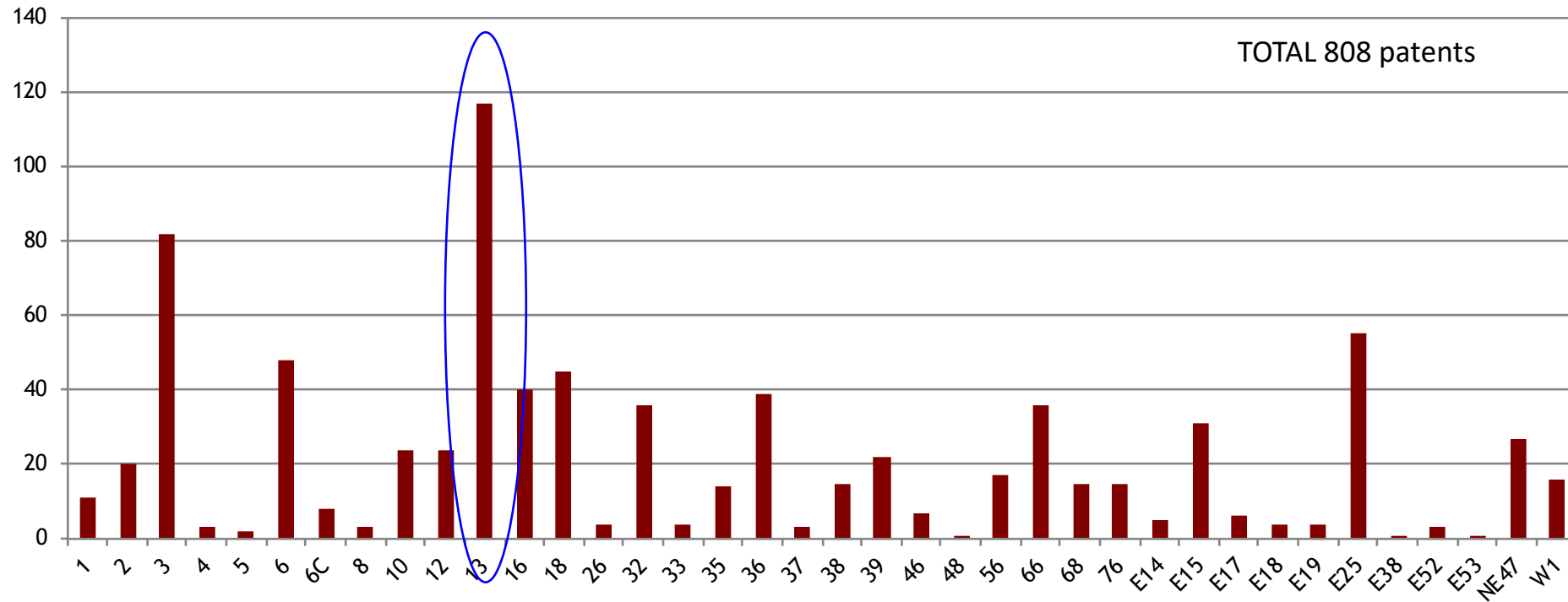


MOSFET



Patents issued to MIT Faculty by Building

(between 2005 and 2011)



MRL faculty have founded dozens of companies:



The Power of Proximity



Beyond Kendall Square:

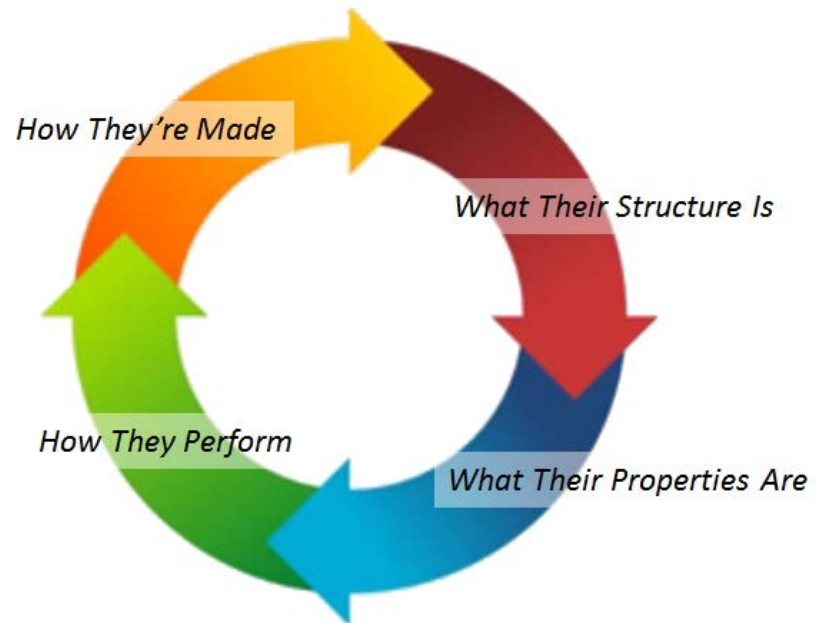
- Linking through ILP and Labs/Centers like MRL
- Embedding staff at MIT through Labs/Centers like MRL
- Collaborate in research

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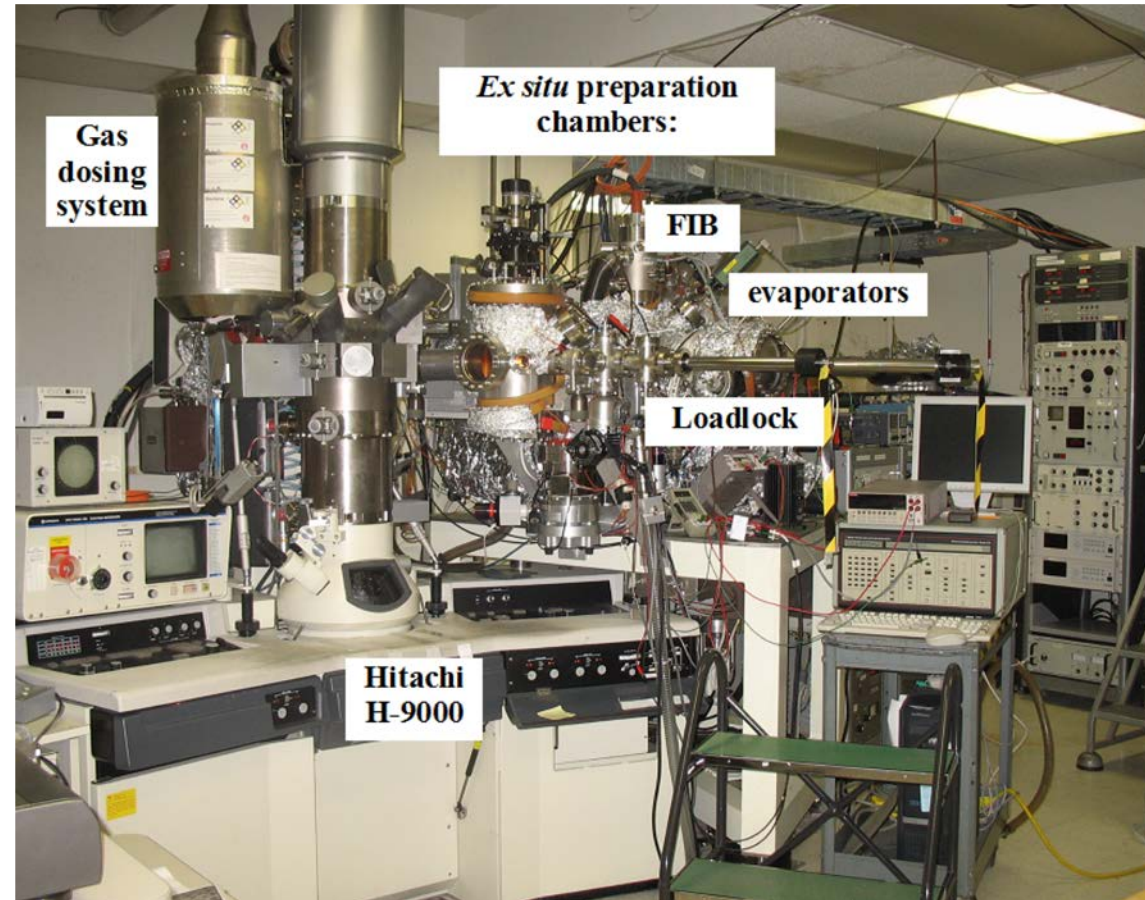
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In situ Electron Microscopy for Materials and Process Design

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Heavily modified TEM for

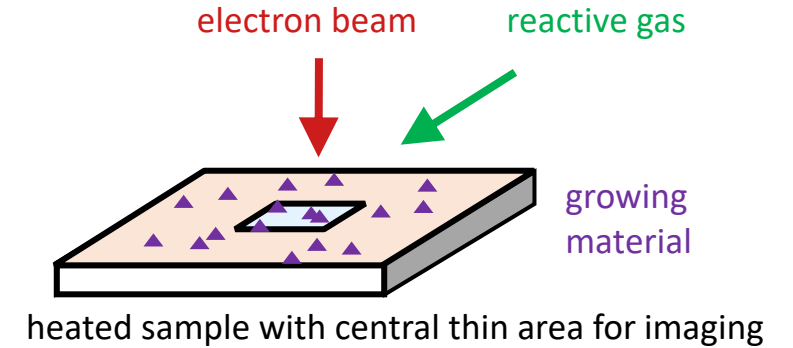
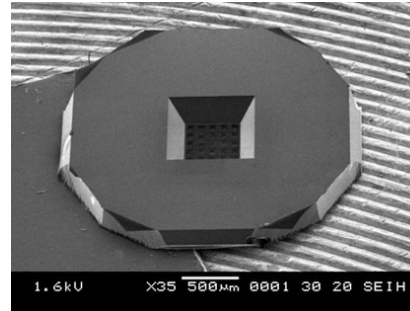
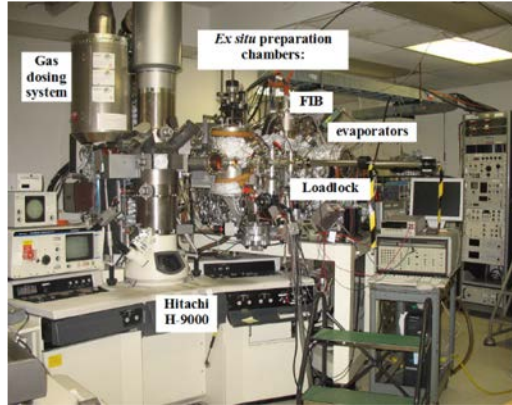
- Ultra high vacuum/high resolution imaging
- Real-time imaging of gas phase and liquid phase materials synthesis
- Videos reveal atomic-level mechanisms of self assembly and growth of nanomaterials.
- This provides insights into process and materials design.



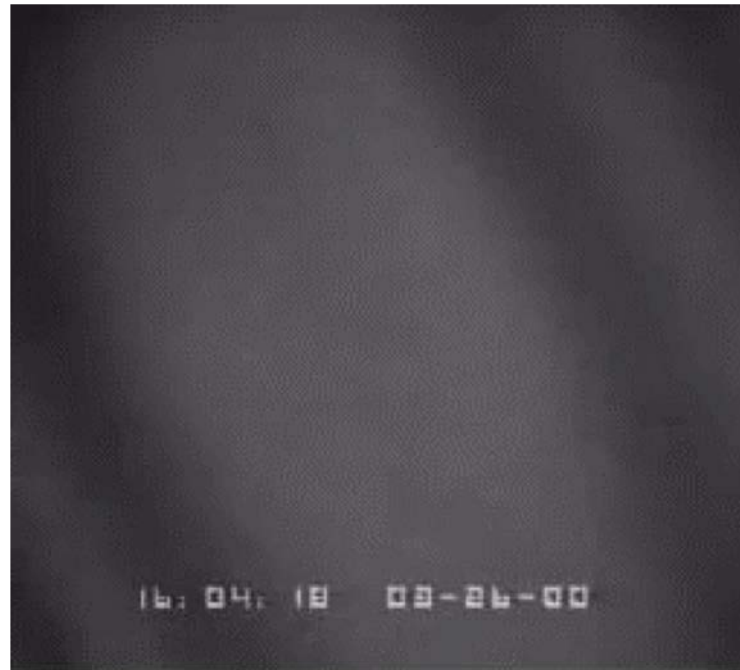
TEM for in situ studies to move from IBM to MRL.
Next generation microscope to be placed in MIT.nano

In-situ Imaging of Formation and Shape Evolution of Quantum Dots

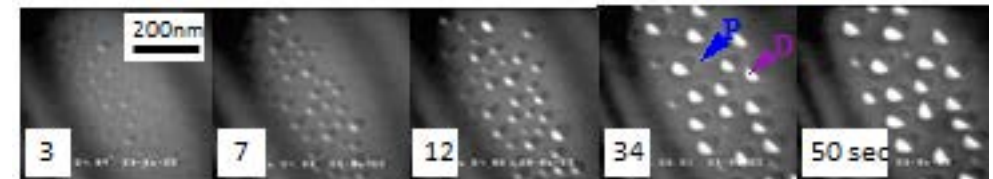
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Introduce GeSi_2 to grow Ge quantum dots on heated Si substrate



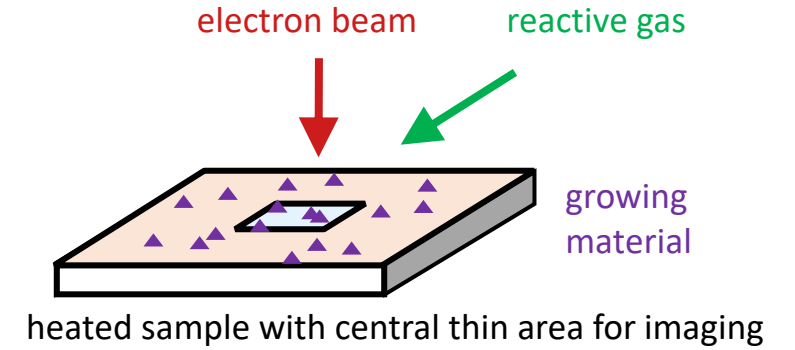
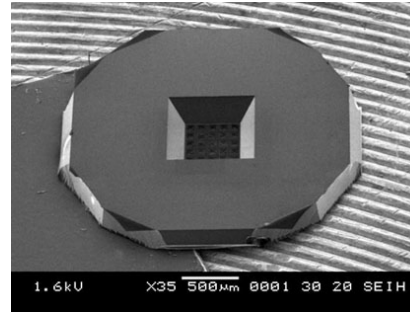
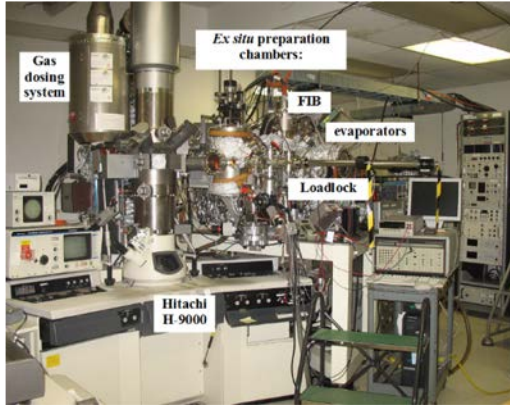
frame-by-frame analysis



- Coarsening follows nucleation and growth
- Size dependent transition in faceted shape

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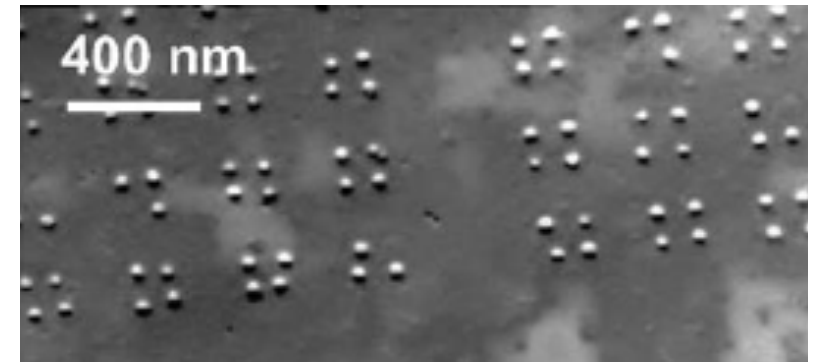
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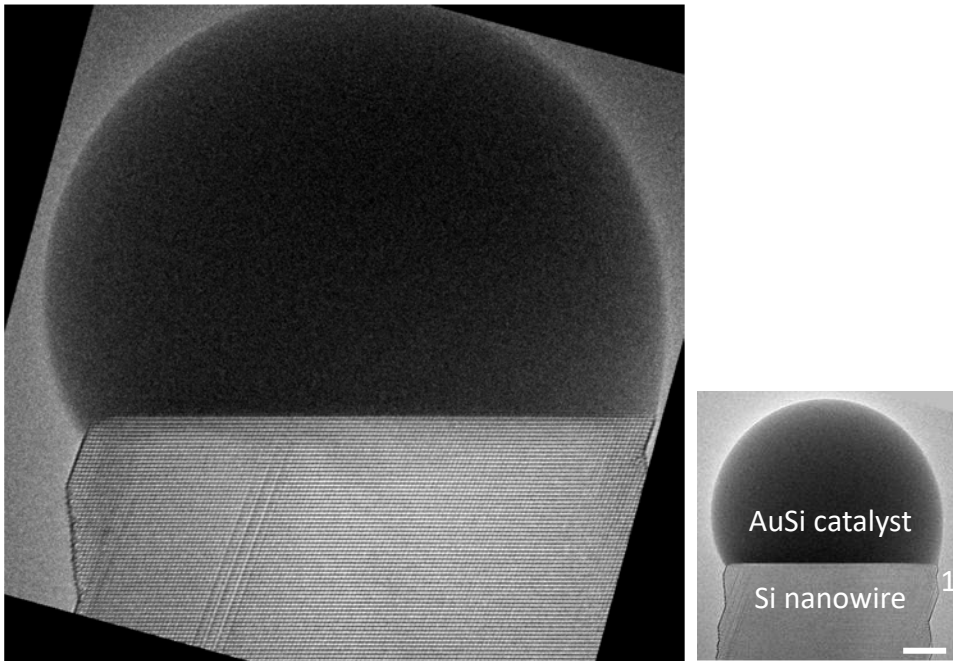
Control of nucleation and growth



In-situ Imaging of Growth of Nanowires

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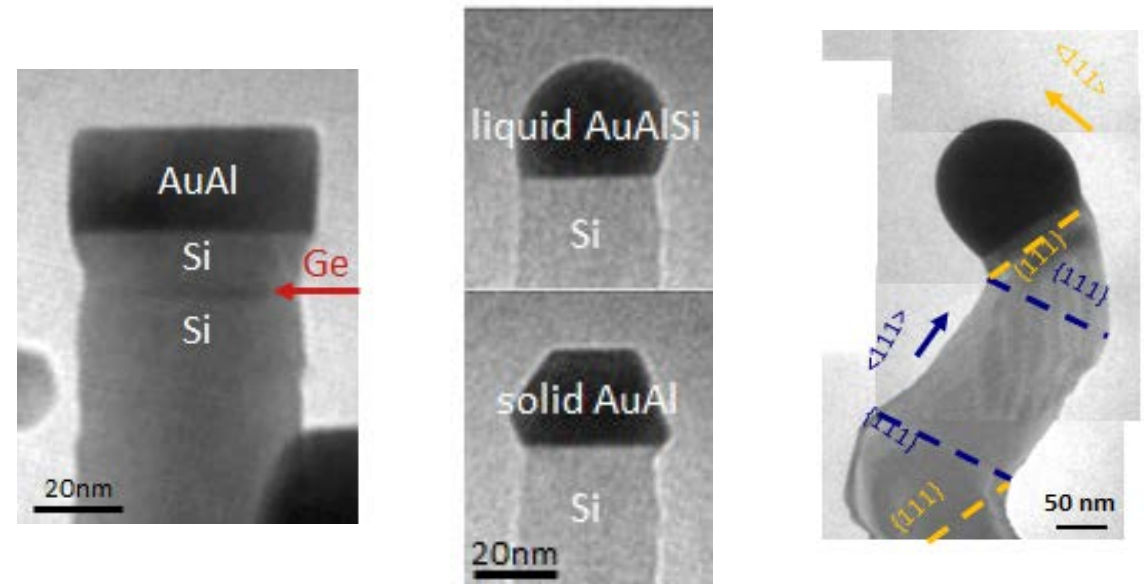
Nanowire growth through SiH_2 decomposition catalyzed by a liquid Au particle



- Wire grows one atomic layer at a time
- Surface roughness due to nano-facets

Observing the details of this self-assembly process allows:

- Visualization of the atomic pathways
- Development of models for growth
- Generation strategies for precise control
- Identification and anticipation of new growth modes



Growth of a complex structure through catalyst design

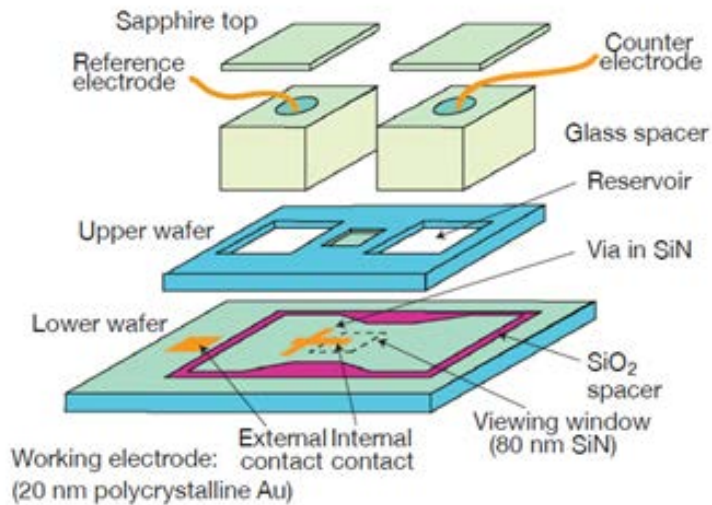
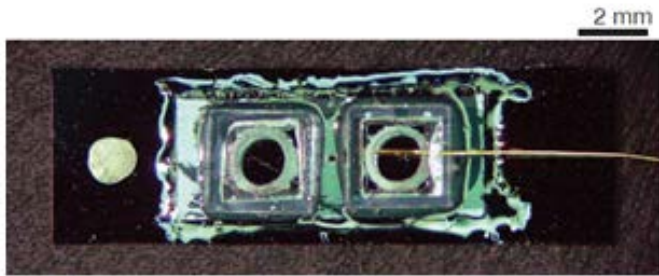
Fundamentals of phase transformations

Control of growth direction using an electric field

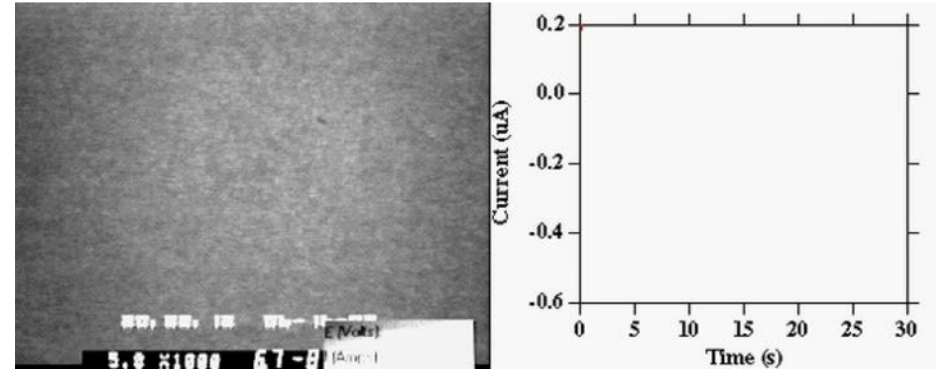
In-situ Imaging Liquid Phase Processes

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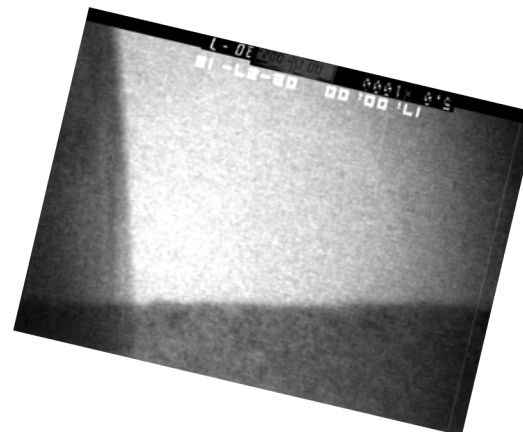
First to Design, Build and Use
Liquid Cells for in situ TEM



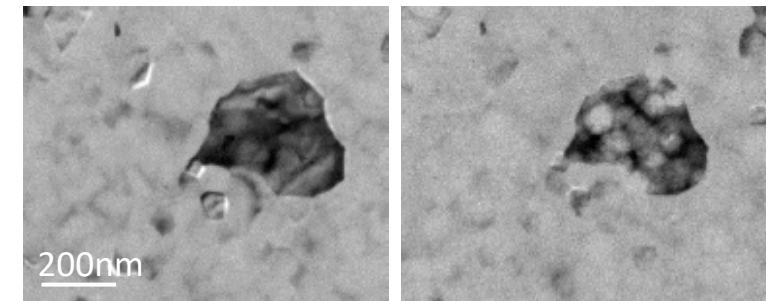
In-situ observation of Cu electrodeposition



In situ observation of the
onset of dendritic growth
during electrodeposition



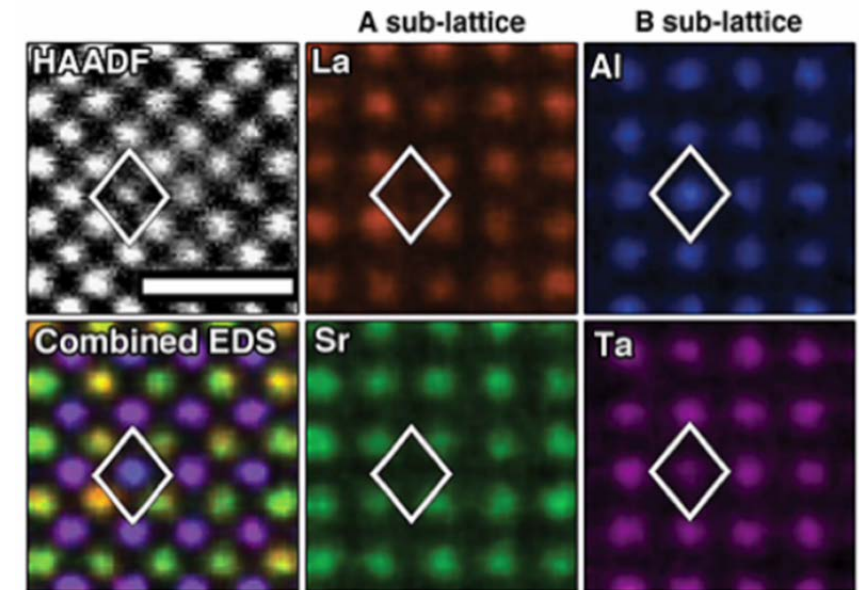
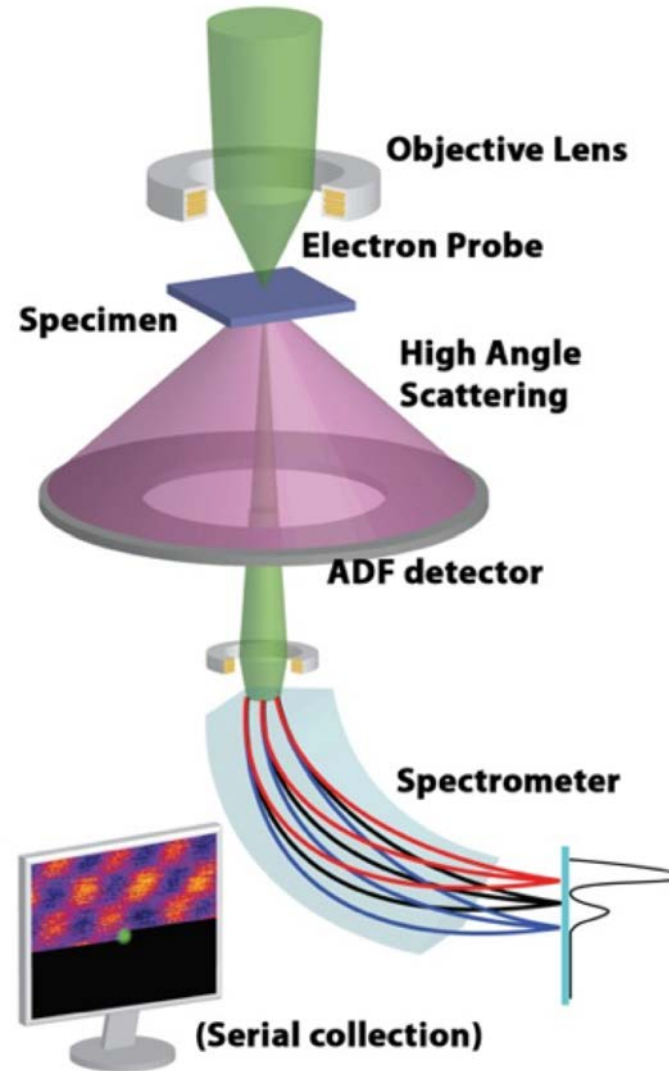
In situ observation of intragranular
pitting during corrosion of Al



Advancing the State-of-the-Art Transmission Electron Microscopy: Pico-scale Imaging

Jim LeBeau, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Spring 2019

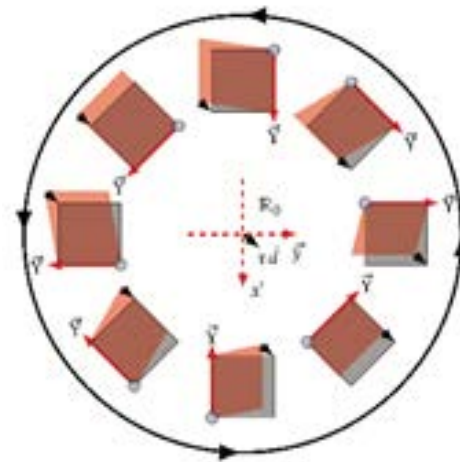
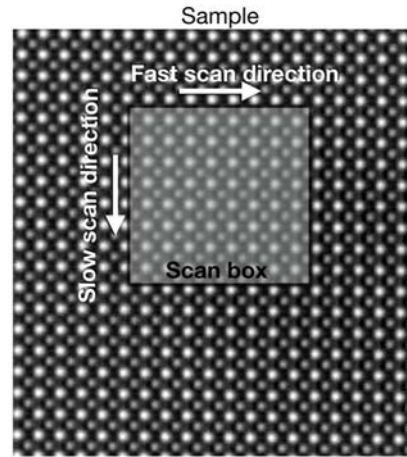
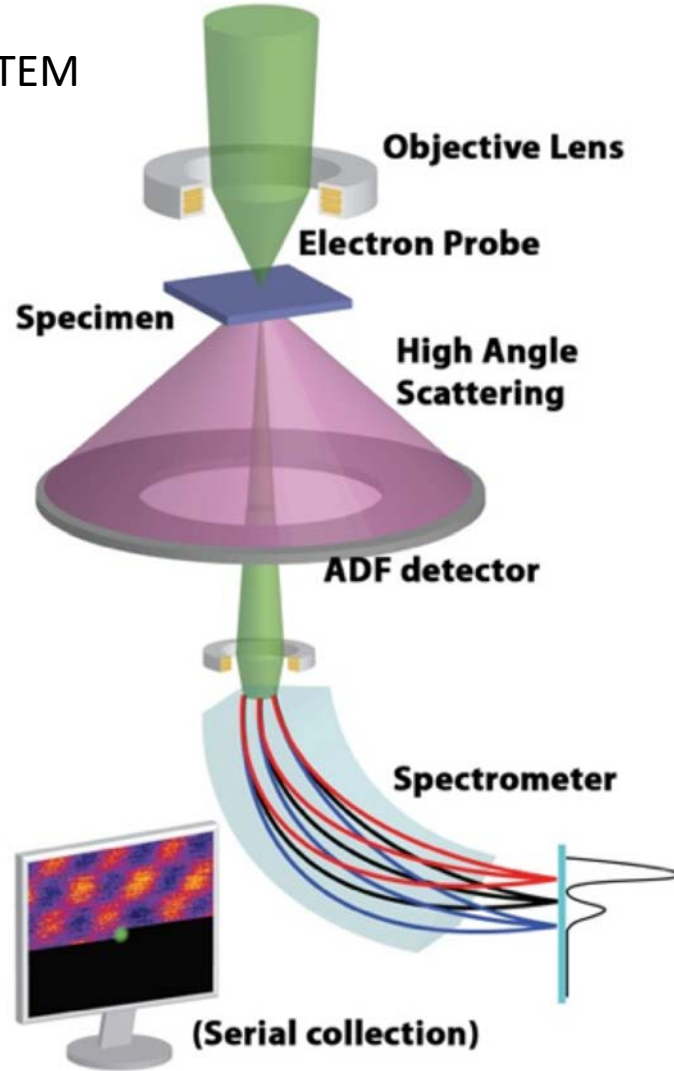
- Key to the materials feedback loop: synthesize, characterize, properties
- Requires extreme environmental stability (vibrations, fields, temperature)
- **Picometer** deflections of inelastically scattered electrons provide **sub-atomic resolution**. Electron energy loss spectroscopy provides **atom identity**.



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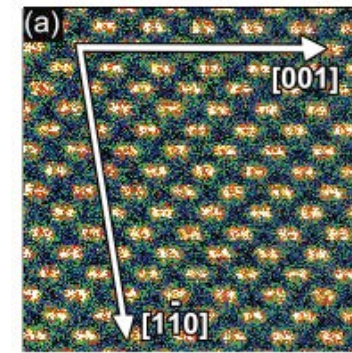
RevSTEM: Correction for Sample Drift

STEM

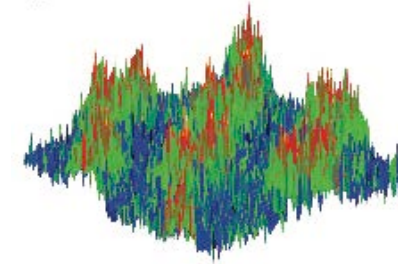


collect images in 4 or 8 locations

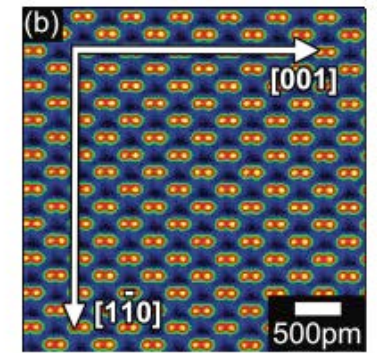
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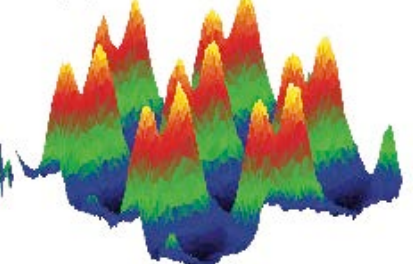
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w/RevSTEM



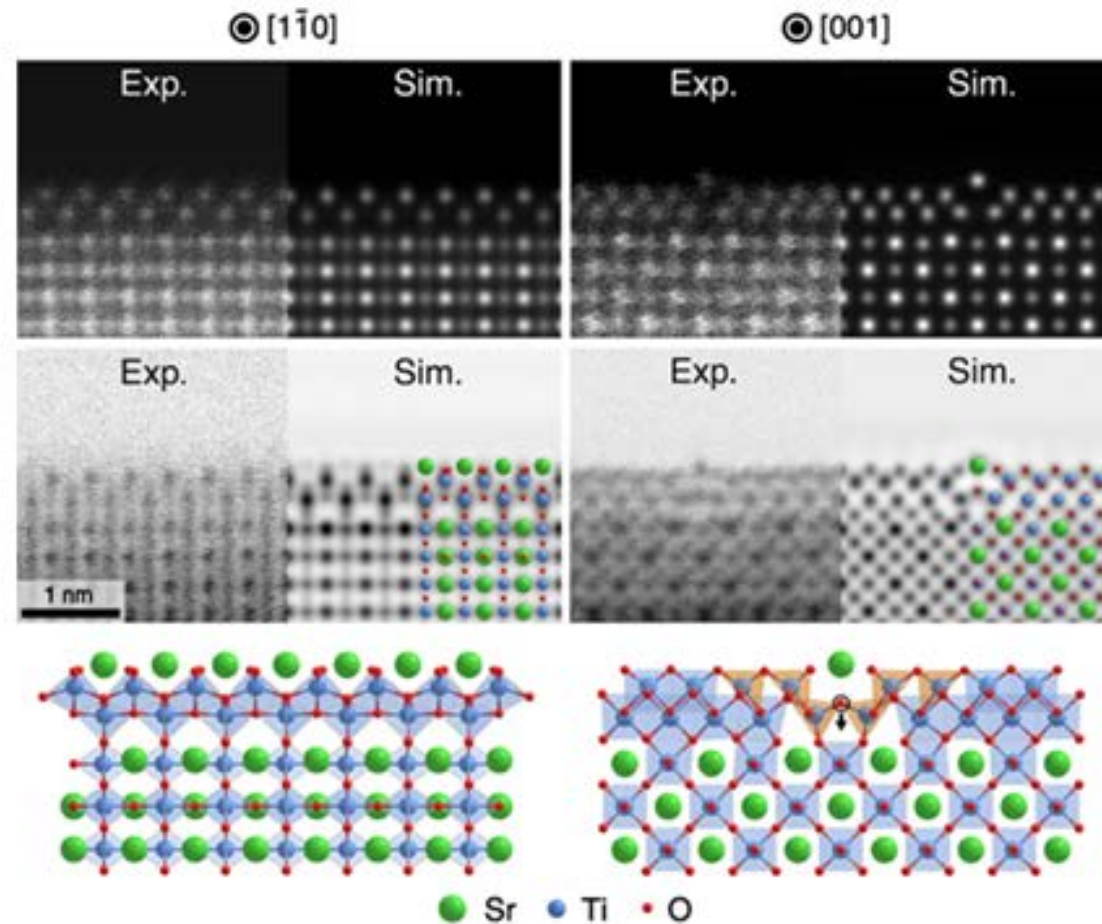
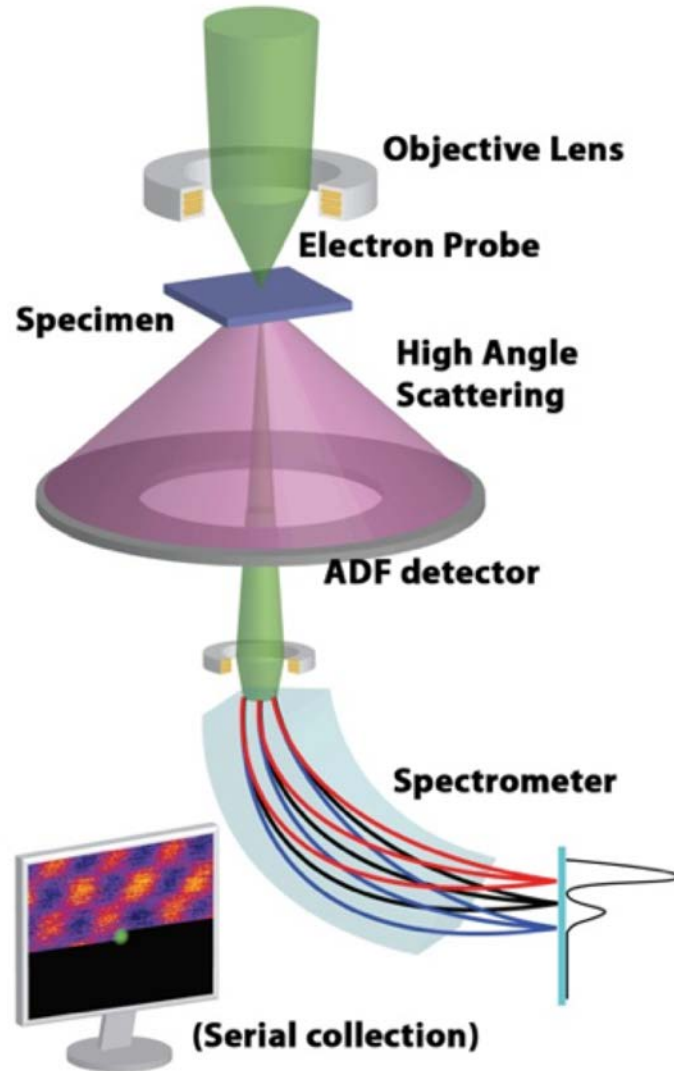
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10^3 improvement in accuracy

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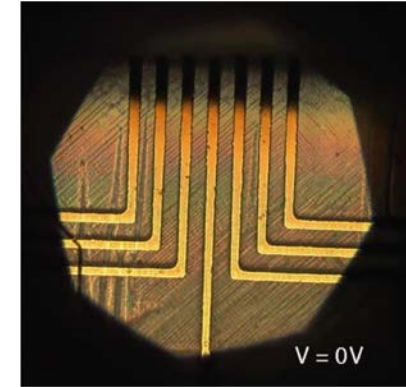
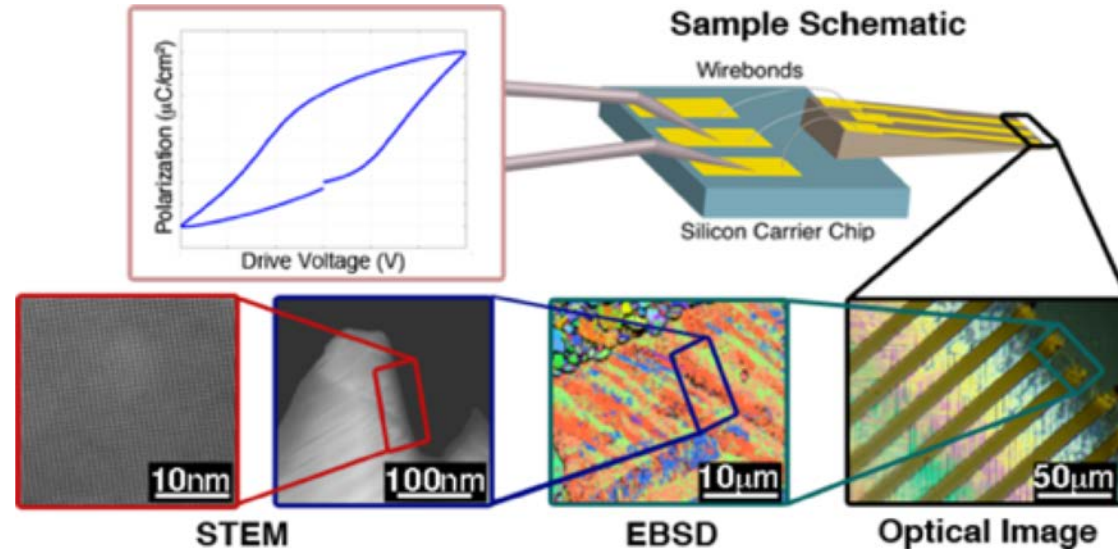
Atomic/chemical resolution at surfaces:
Surface Reconstruction



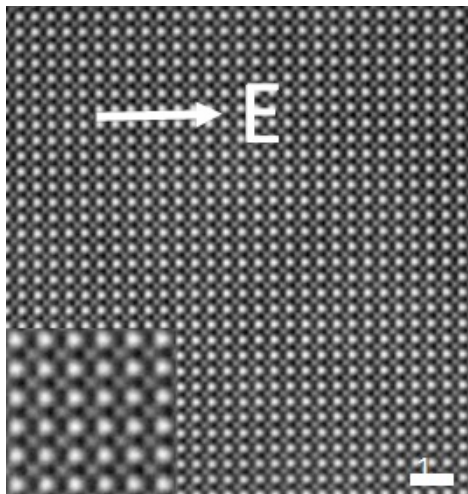
quantum mechanical simulations play a key role

In situ Fields – From Macroscale to Atomic Scale

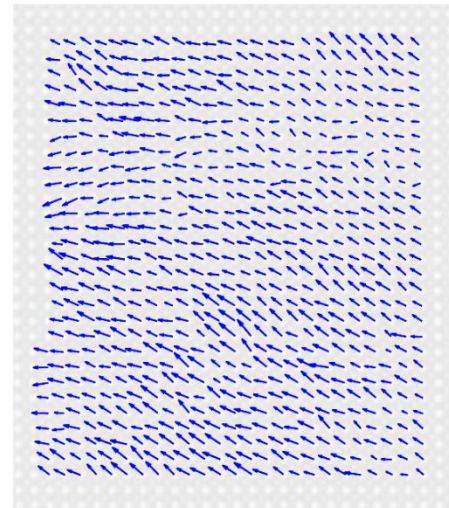
A multiscale
biasing platform



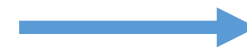
Applied Field



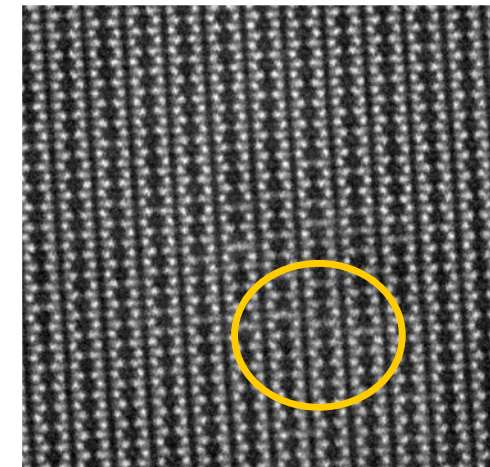
Cation Shifts



Future direction

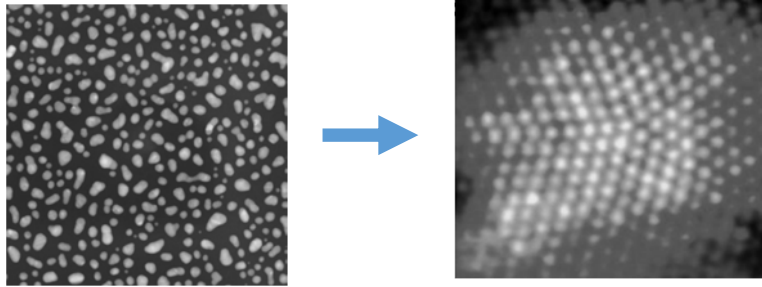


Point defect migration

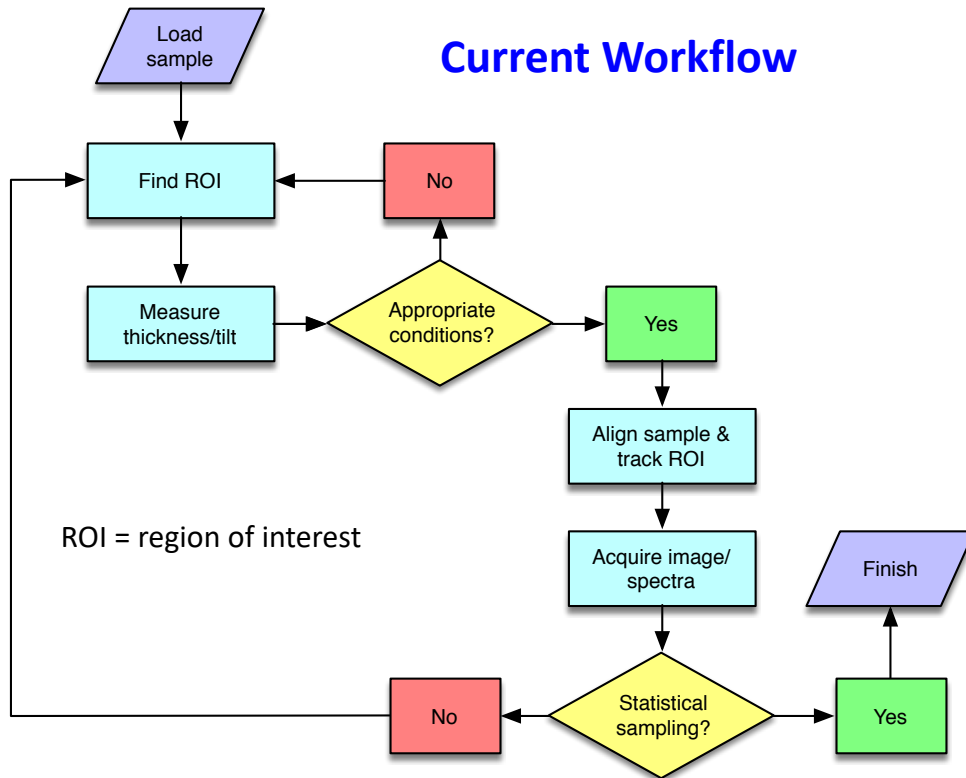


Machine Learning For Atomic Resolution Electron Microscopy

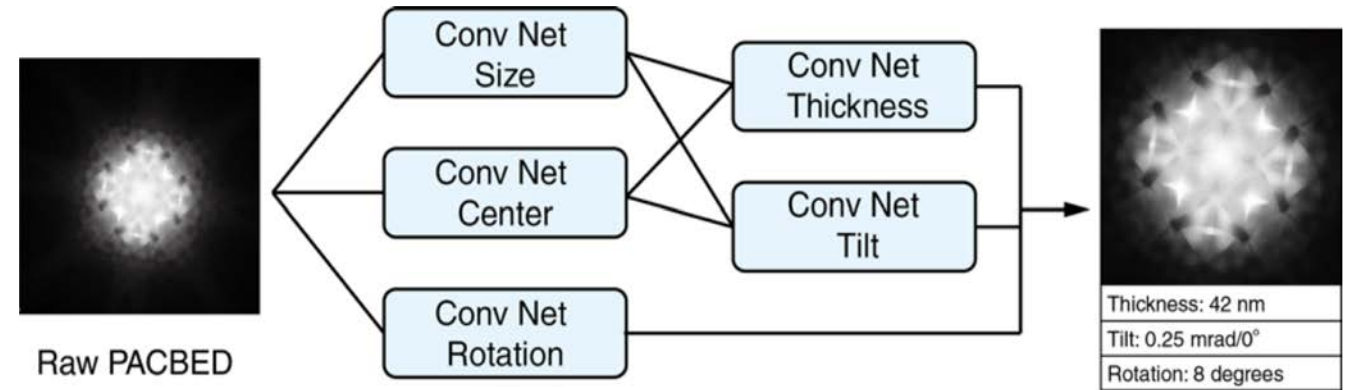
e.g. Atomic Imaging of Nanoparticles



Current Workflow



Convolutional Neural Network for Autonomous Diffraction Analysis

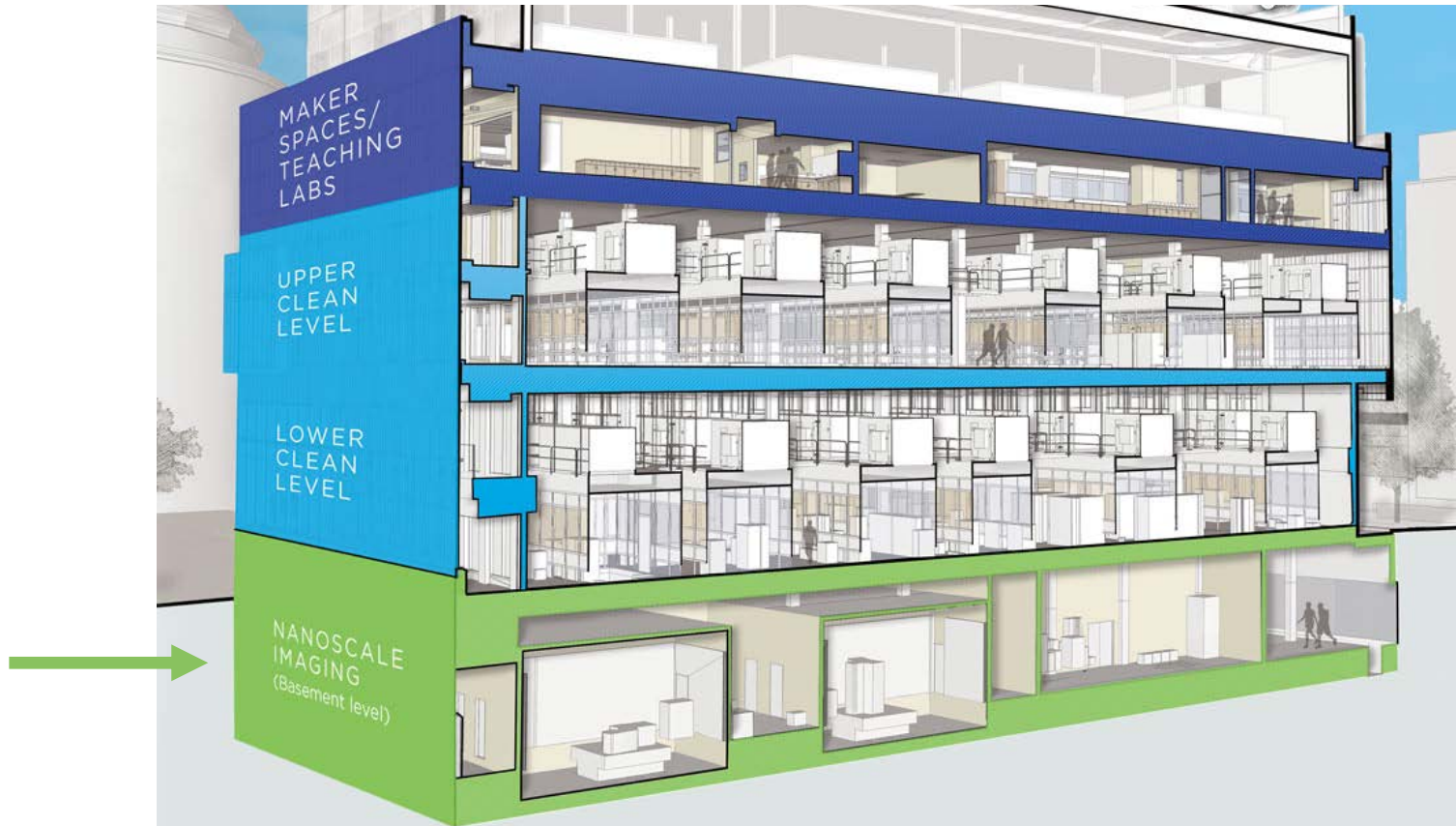


Find thickness, tilt and rotation from a single Position Averaged Convergent Beam Electron Diffraction pattern

Train neural network using quantum mechanical simulation of images

Next steps: Instrument feedback control, robust ROI tracking, autofocus, auto acquire

The Quality of the Imaging Space in MIT.nano and
Embedding in the MIT Environment
Will Support a
New Wave of Innovation in Imaging-Based Materials Research

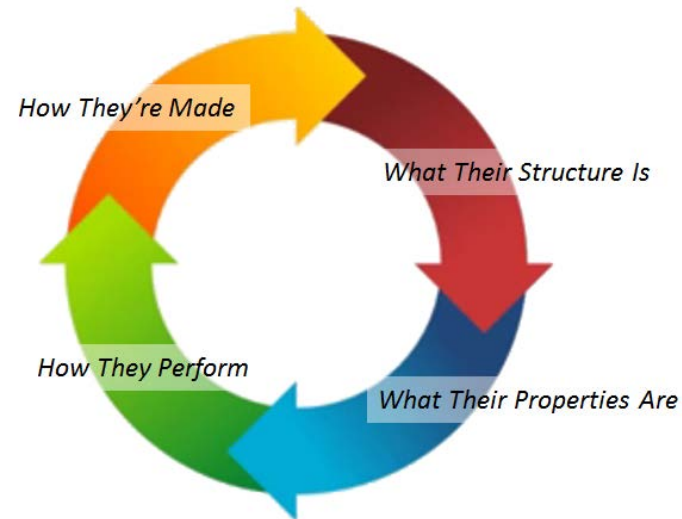


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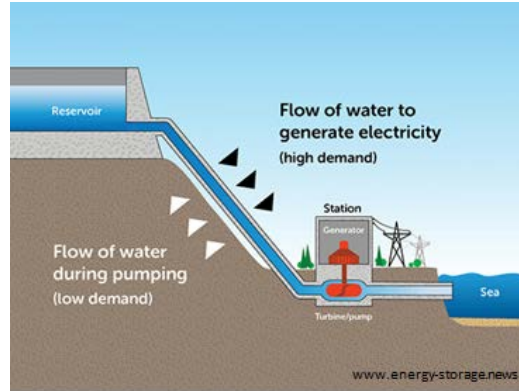
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Determining What Materials and Systems to Target for Research

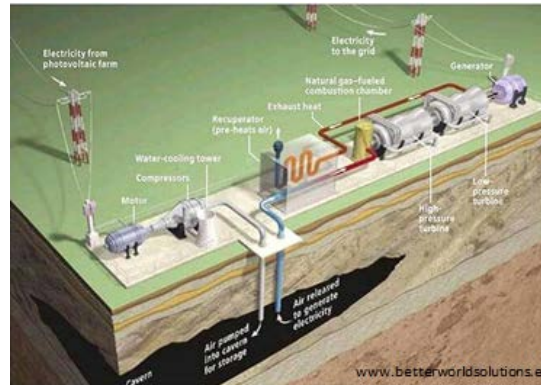
Renewable Energy Sources are Intermittent



Energy Storage to Match Demand and Reduce Cost



pumped hydro storage



compressed air storage

What is Required for Batteries to Lower Costs

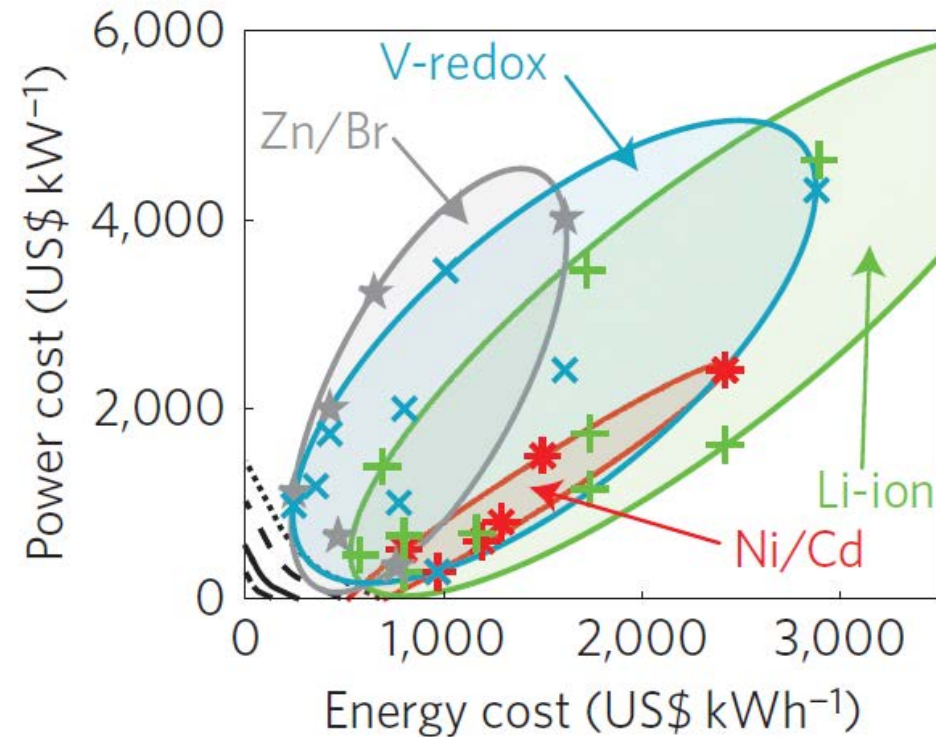
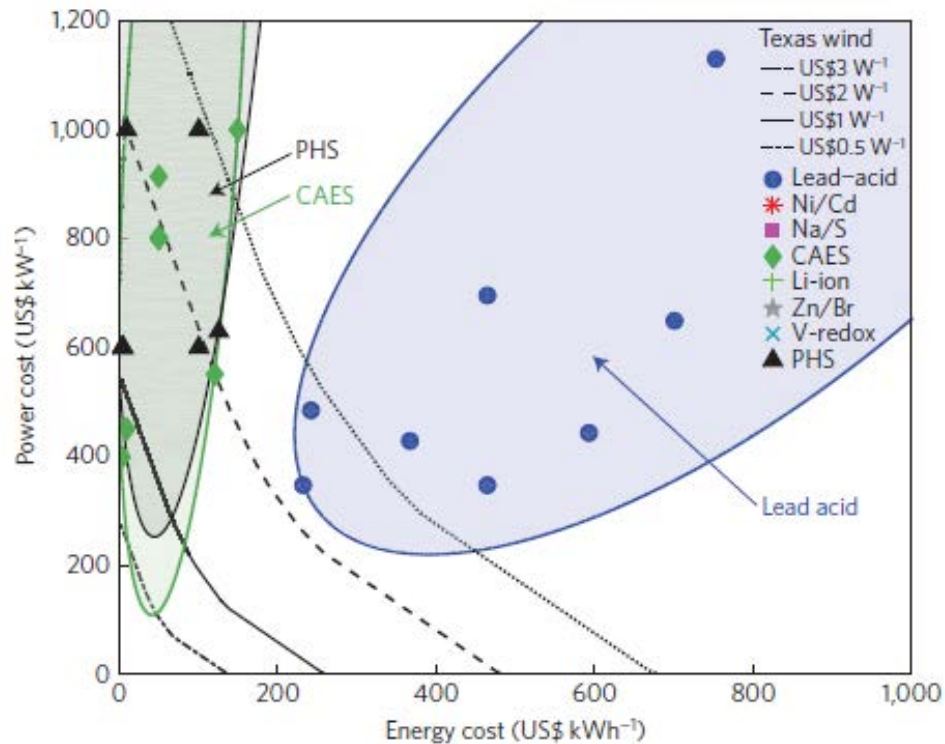


- It depends on
- energy source
 - location
 - type of battery

When do Batteries Reduce Costs for Renewable Energy Sources

Jessika Trancik: Institute for Data, Systems, and Society

CAES: compressed air energy storage; PHS: pumped hydro storage; lead–acid, Ni/Cd, Na/S, Li-ion: batteries; Zn/Br, V-redox: flow batteries.

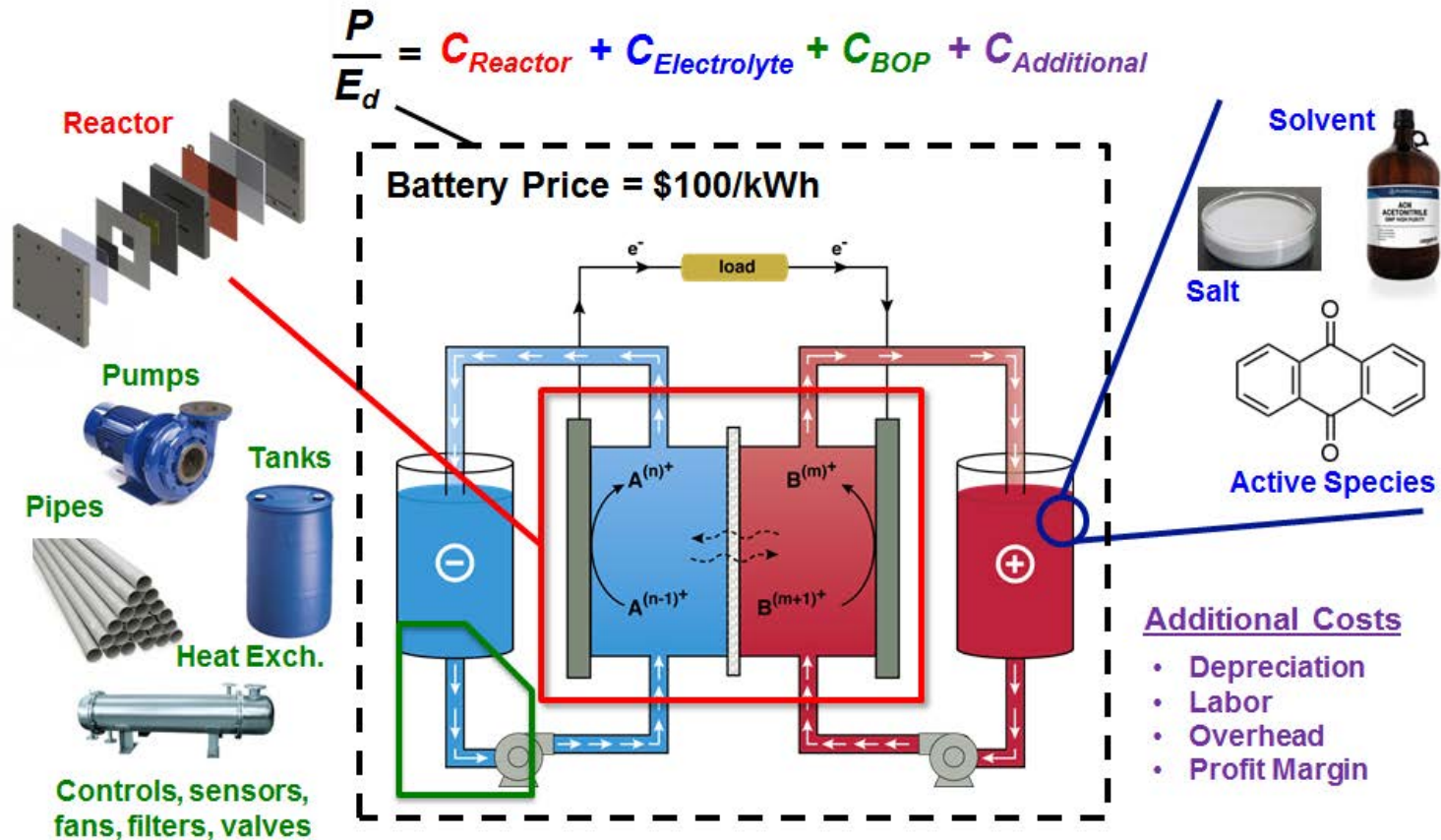


lines: threshold storage cost intensities at which it becomes valuable to incorporate storage

Output: Cost targets

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Fikile Brushett: Chemical Engineering

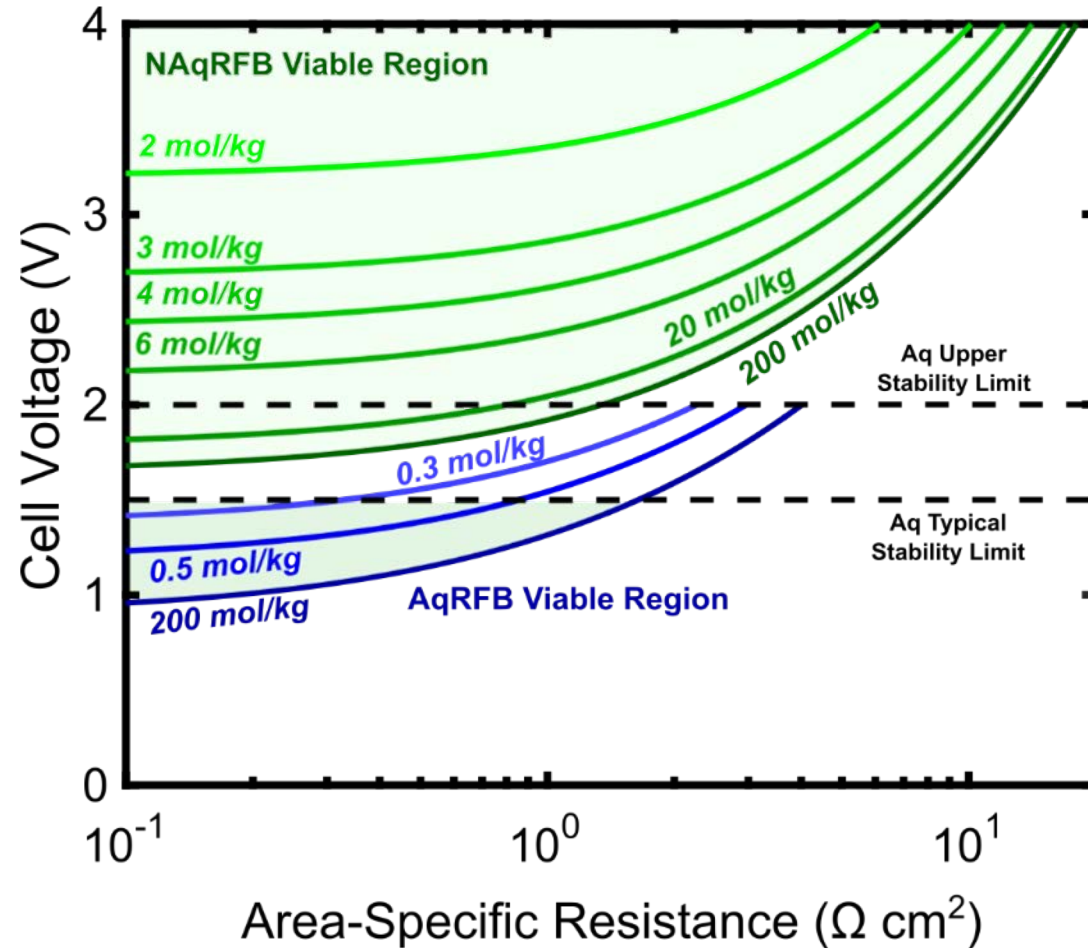


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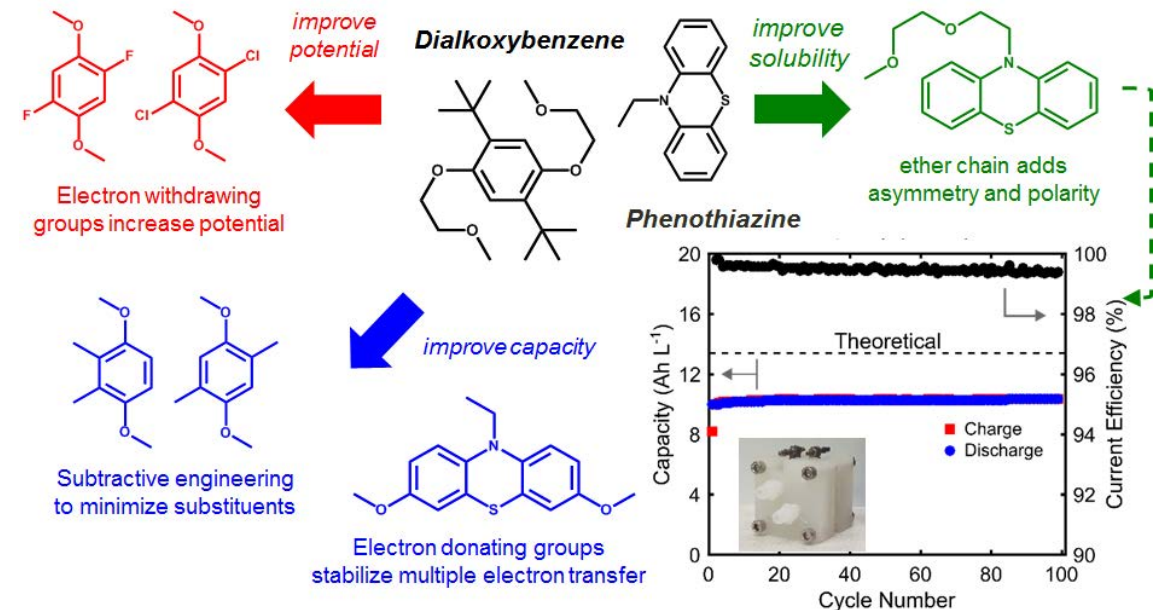
Speaker today

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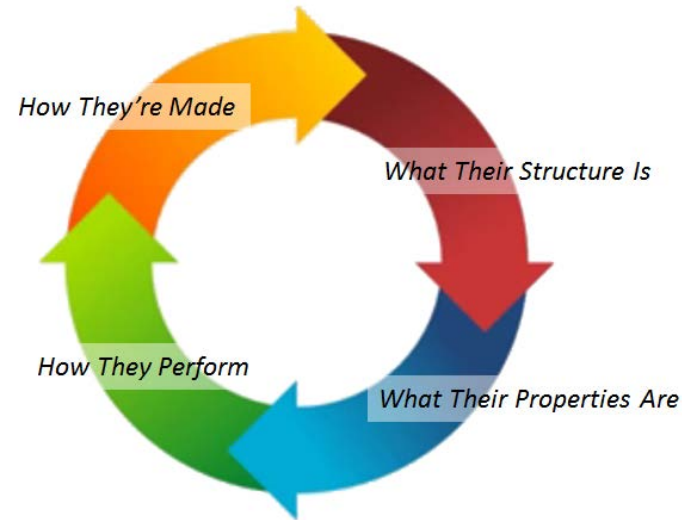
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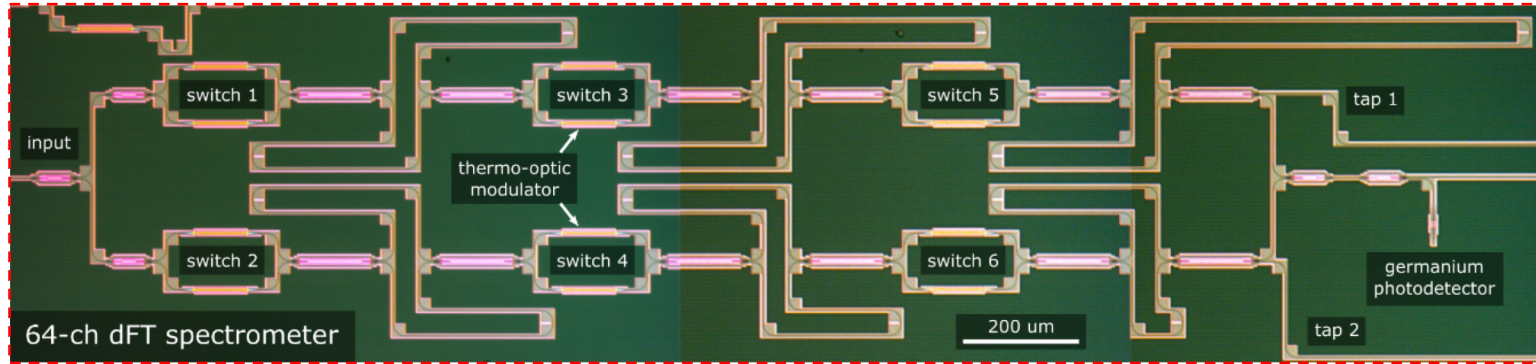
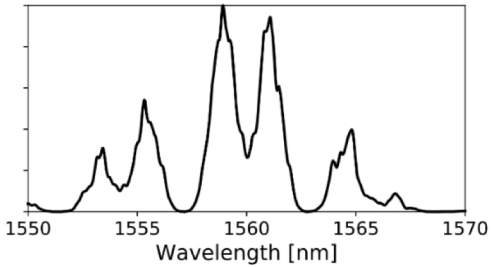
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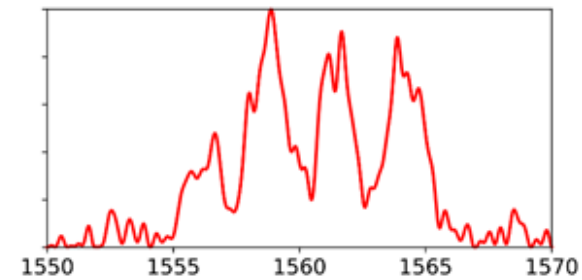
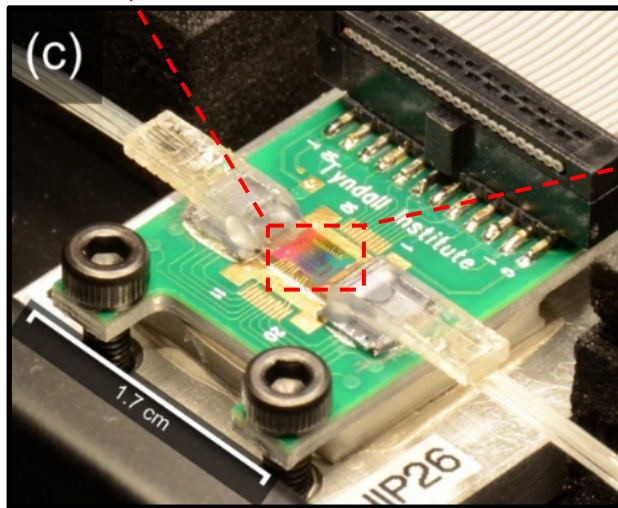
Machine-learning-enhanced Chip-scale Spectrometers for Chemical Sensing

Juejen (JJ) Hu, Department of Materials Science and Engineering
Brando Miranda, Center for Brains Minds and Machines, MIT

spectrum in



intensity out



- measure intensity of light out for 64 states
- determine the spectrum using machine learning
- performance improves exponentially with the number of switches

Speaker today

Vision for Computer Aided, Data-driven Materials Discovery

Move from this:

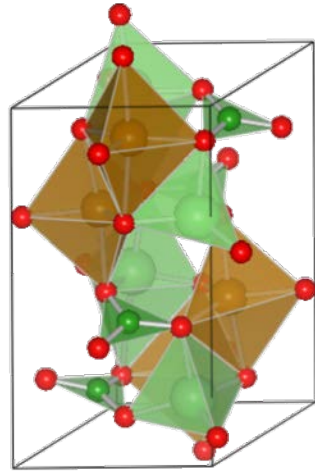
1. Identify material to make
2. Read literature/do what you did last time
3. Trial-and-error synthesis

...to this:

1. A computer helps you decide what to make
2. And suggests how to make it
3. Synthesize material

The Materials Genome/Project: Modern data-driven and first-principles materials design accelerates pace for knowing *what* to make...

Data Mining of
Compilations of
Known
Structures

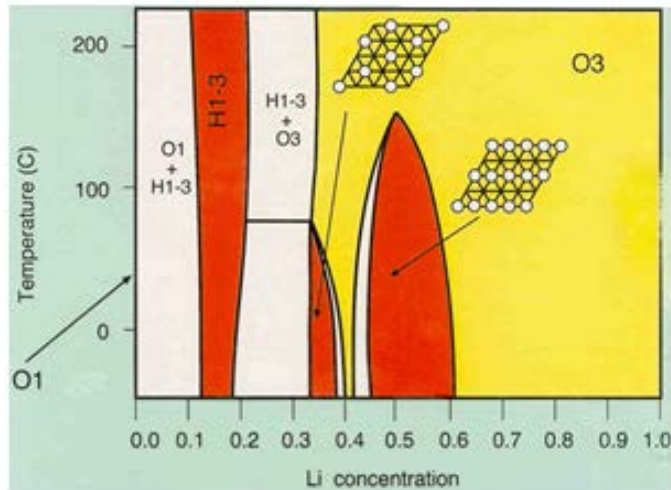


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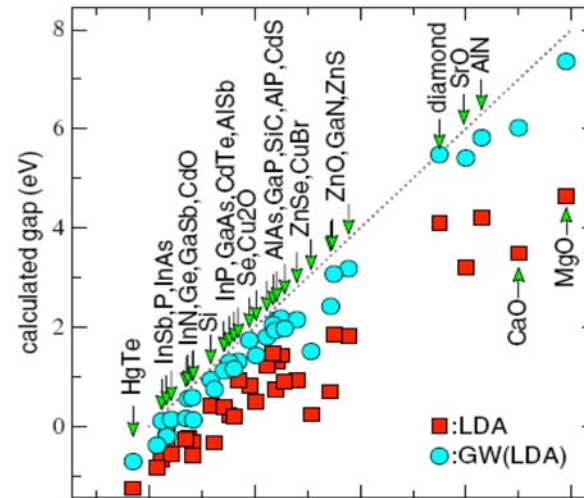


First Principles Calculations
- Thermodynamic Stability
- Properties

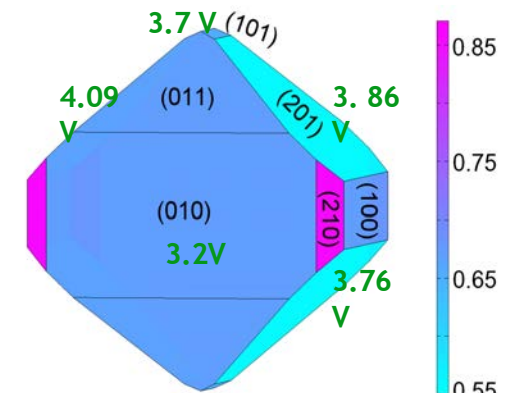
$$H = \sum_{i=1}^{N_e} \nabla_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{N_e} V_{nuclear}(r_i) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i^{N_e} \sum_{j \neq i}^{N_e} \frac{1}{|r_j - r_i|}$$



Phase diagrams



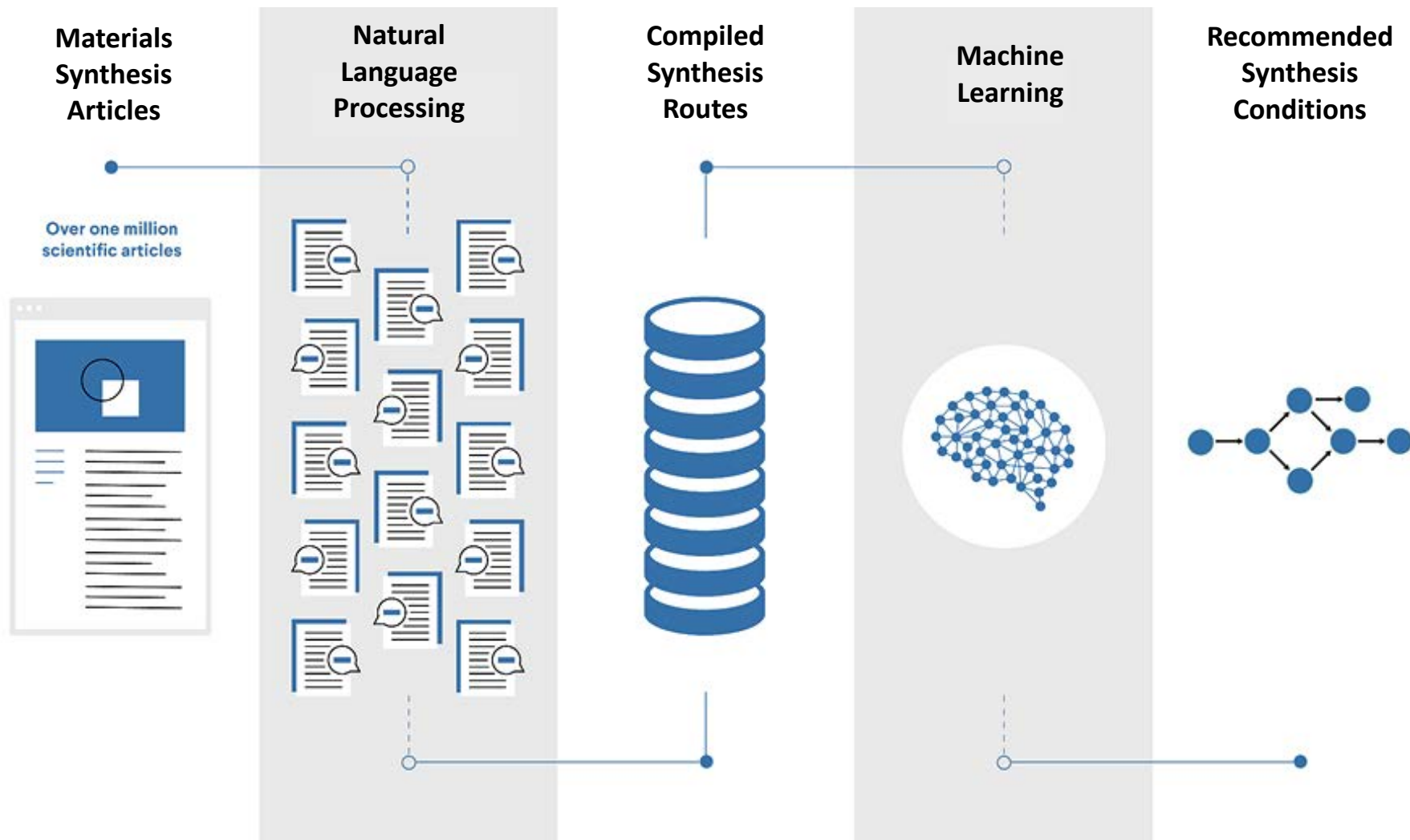
Bandgaps



Surfaces

Virtual Screening for Inorganic Materials Synthesis Parameters Using Deep Learning Methods

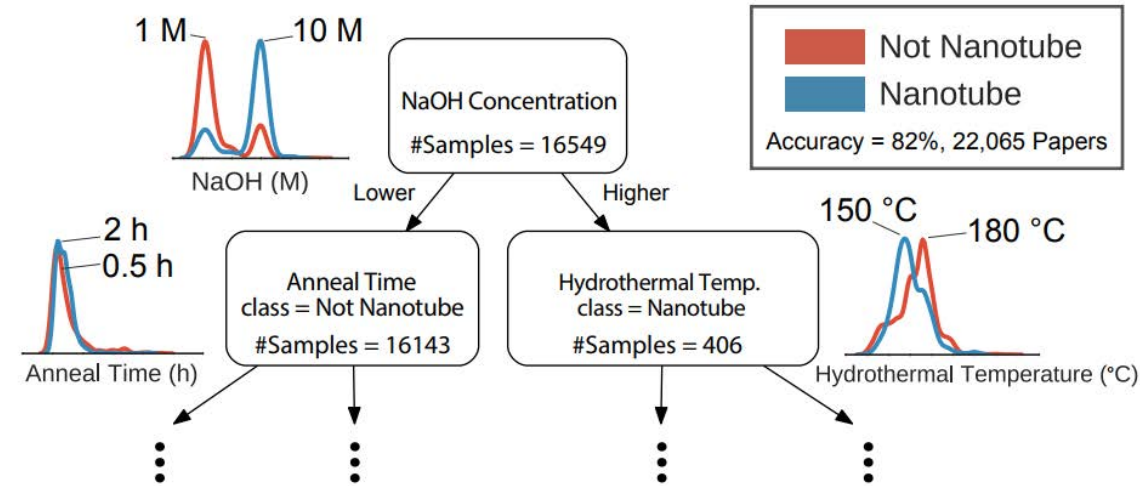
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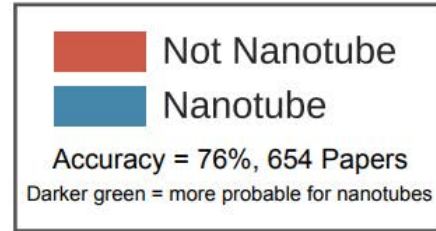
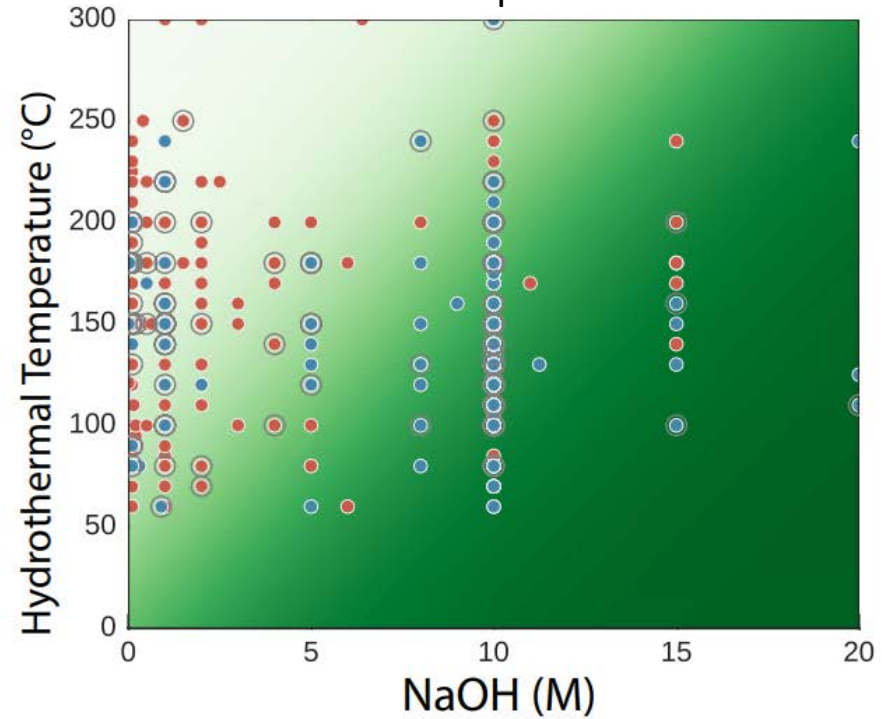
Example: Suggesting Synthesis Conditions for a Specific Morphology of Titania (TiO₂)

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Of 27 process variables, the two most important

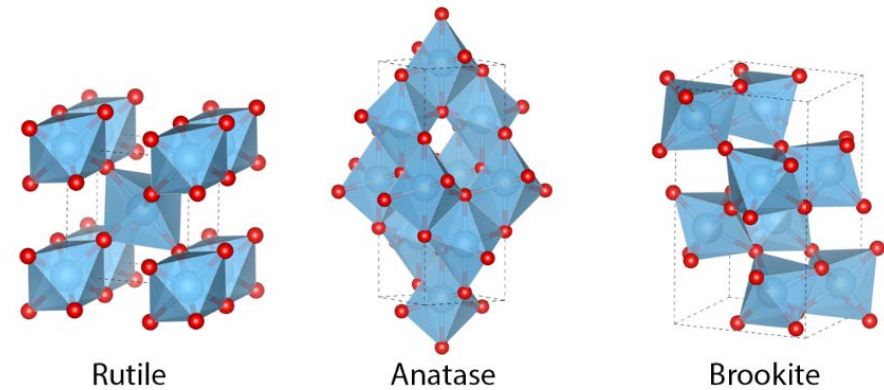
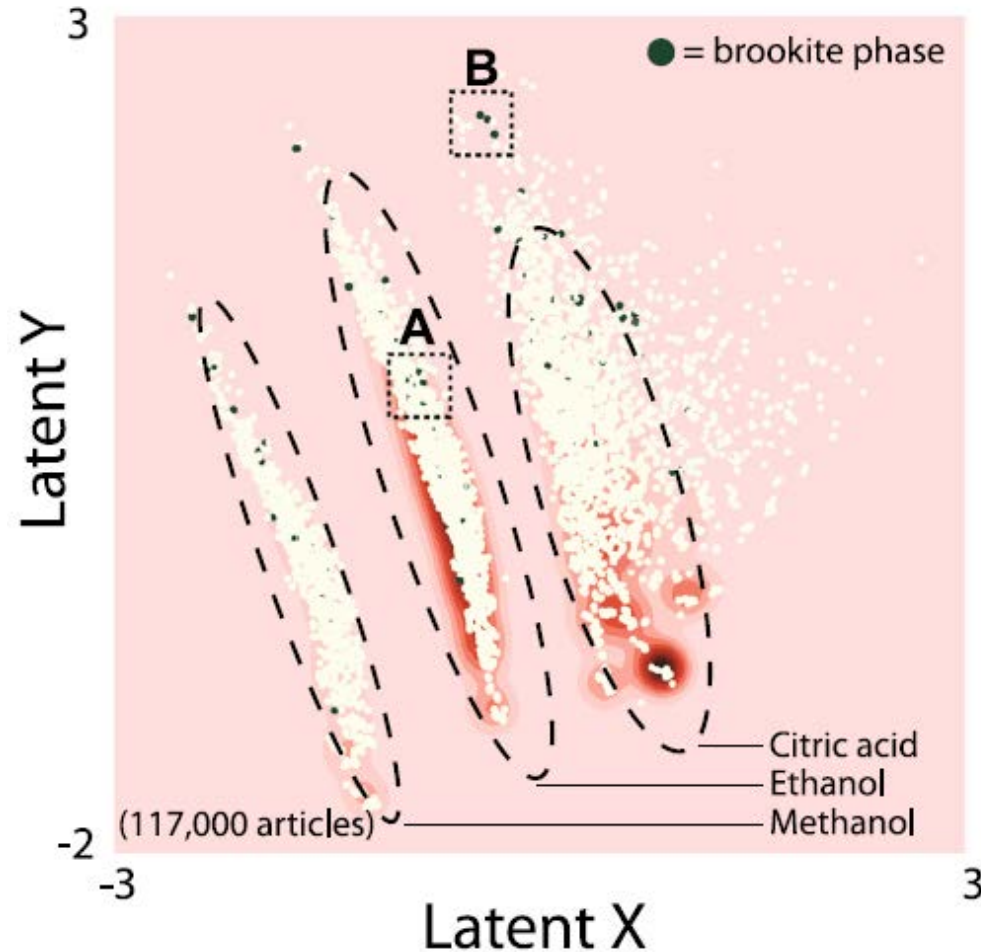


*Grey circled points = accuracy test points
All other points = training data points

Experimentally-accessible (and reported) variables to facilitate practical synthesis route planning.

Exploratory: Rare Phase in Common Material

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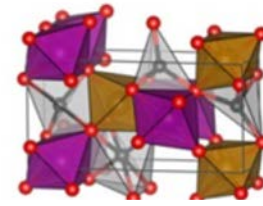


Clustering of latent space shows driving conditions for polymorph of TiO₂ for photocatalysis

Example: Suggesting Synthesis Conditions for Stabilizing Desired Materials Structures

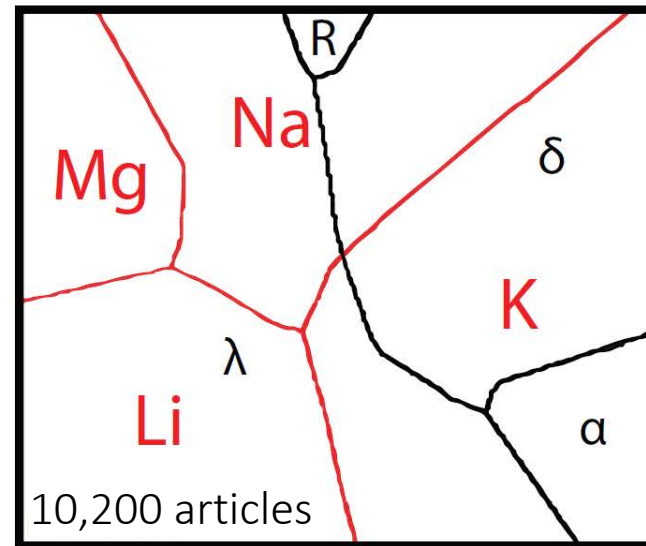
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Polymorphs for MnO_2 overlaid with most probable alkali-ion use in synthesis (intercalation-based phase stability)

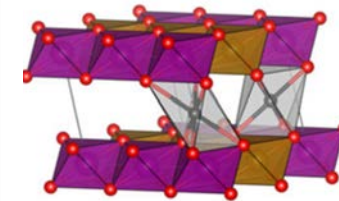


Ramsdellite (R)

Alkaline batteries

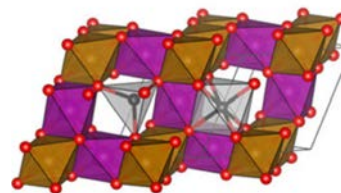


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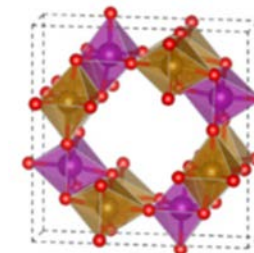


Birnessite (δ)

Lithium-ion batteries



Spinel (λ)

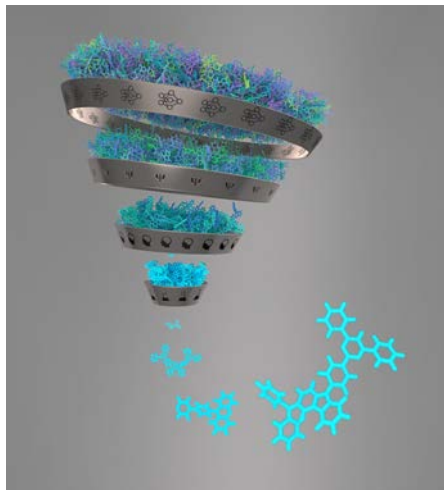


Hollandite (α)

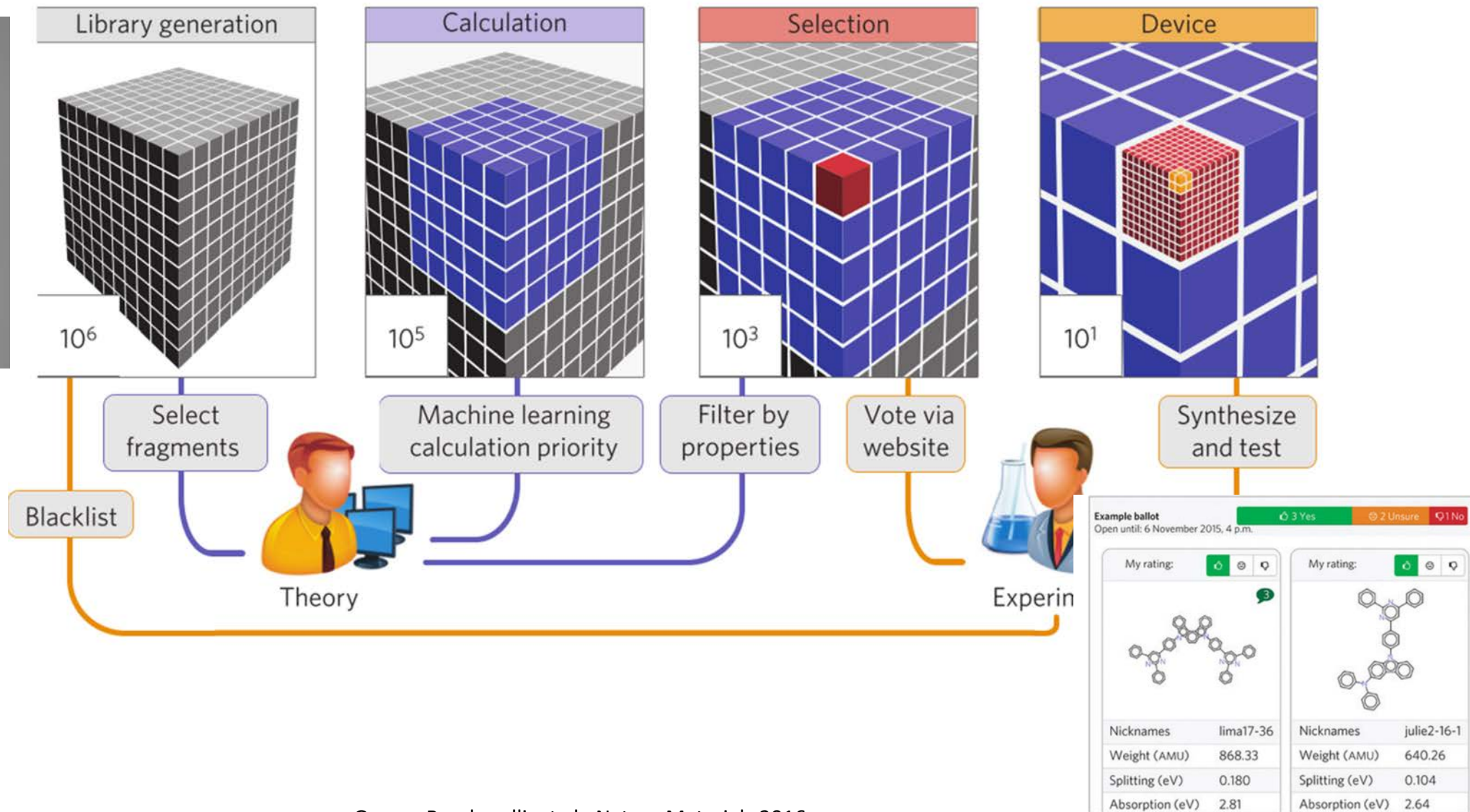
Molecular sieves

High-Throughput Virtual Organic Molecule Screening

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Goal: Organic Molecules for efficient light emitting diodes



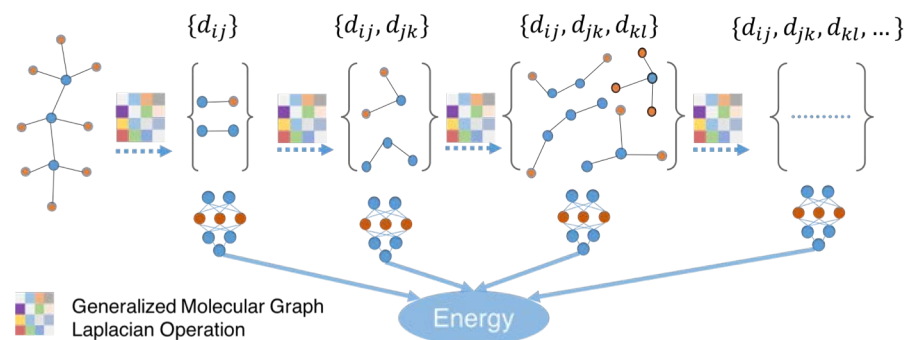
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Toolset – Blurring the Lines Between Simulation and Learning

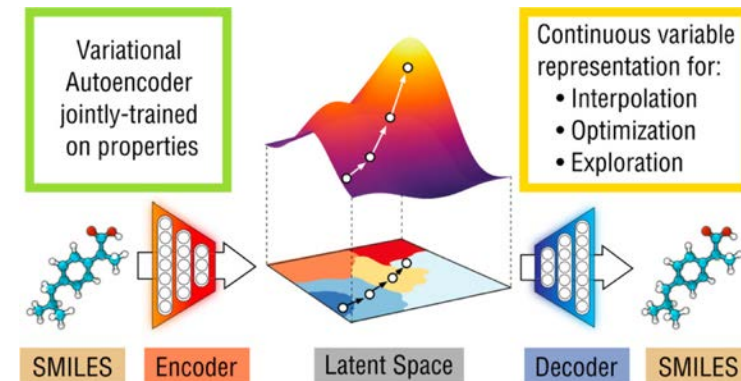
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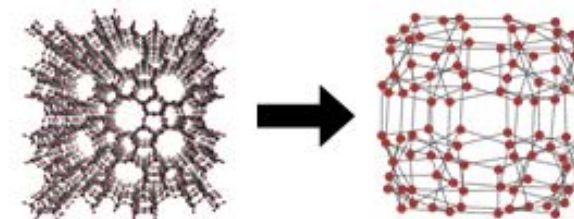
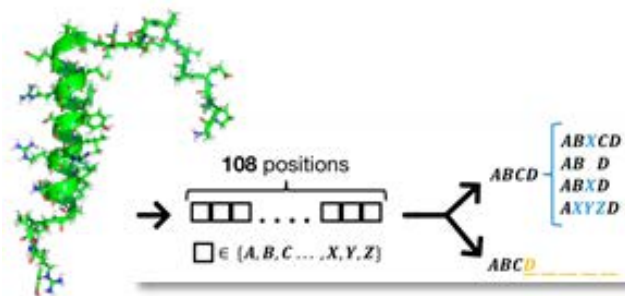
High-throughput virtual screening



Method development /
representation learning



Automatic chemical design



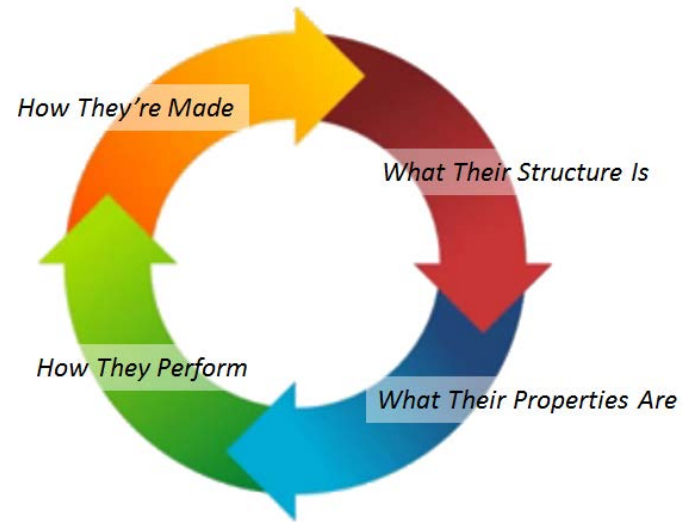
Data-driven discovery and optimization.

New Methods and Methodologies

Advances in imaging-based materials research:

Integrated in-situ studies of processing, structure, and properties

- Unprecedented nano/pico-scale structural and chemical analysis



Materials and process selection informed by system level assessment of

- Performance
- Cost over the full life-cycle of the material
- Abundance
- Environmental and Societal Impact

Integration of ab-initio simulations and machine learning in all aspects of materials research

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