

Introduction to nanoscience and nanotechnology

The Scale of Things – Nanometers and More

Things Natural

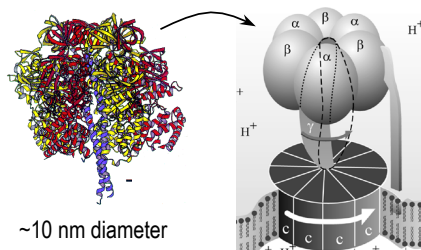


Dust mite
200 μm



Human hair
~ 60-120 μm wide

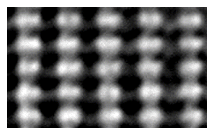
Red blood cells
(~7-8 μm)



ATP synthase



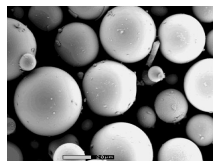
DNA
~2-1/2 nm diameter



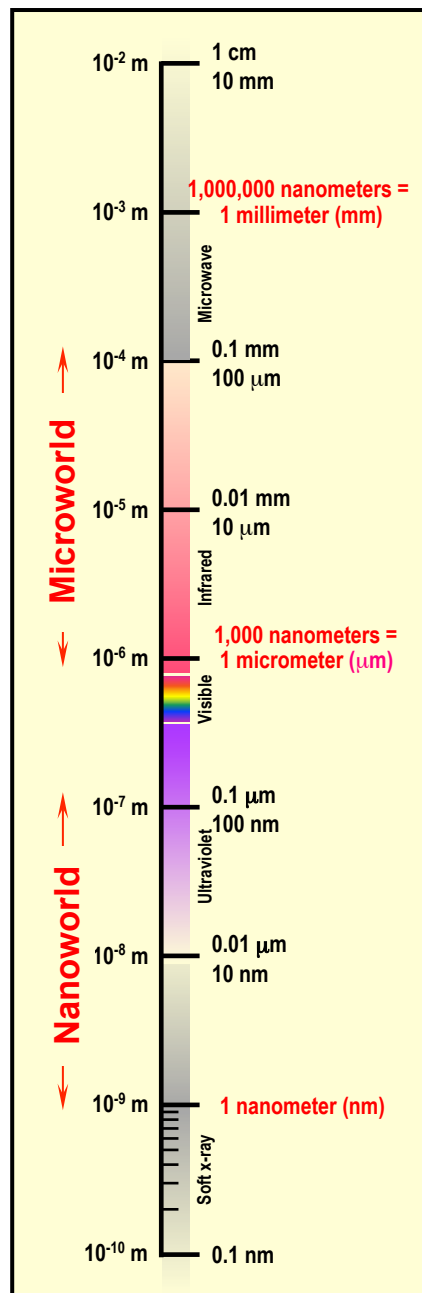
Atoms of silicon
spacing 0.078 nm



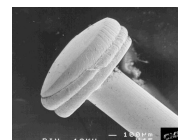
Ant
~ 5 mm



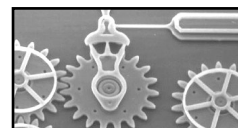
Fly ash
~ 10-20 μm



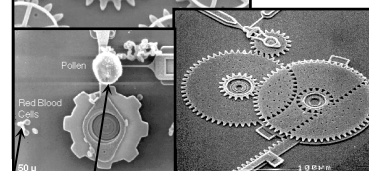
Things Manmade



Head of a pin
1-2 mm

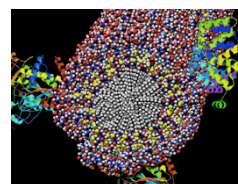


MicroElectroMechanical (MEMS) devices
10-100 μm wide

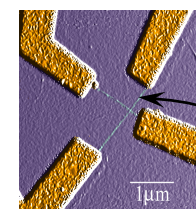


Pollen grain
Red blood cells

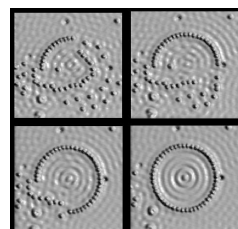
Zone plate x-ray "lens"
Outer ring spacing ~35 nm



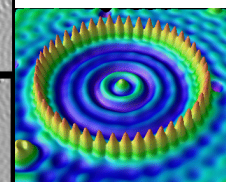
Self-assembled,
Nature-inspired structure
Many 10s of nm



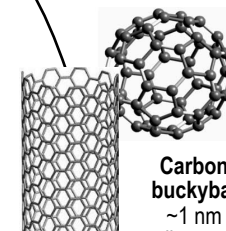
Nanotube electrode



Quantum corral of 48 iron atoms on copper surface
positioned one at a time with an STM tip
Corral diameter 14 nm

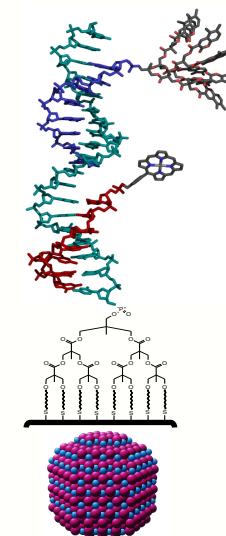


Carbon nanotube
~1.3 nm diameter



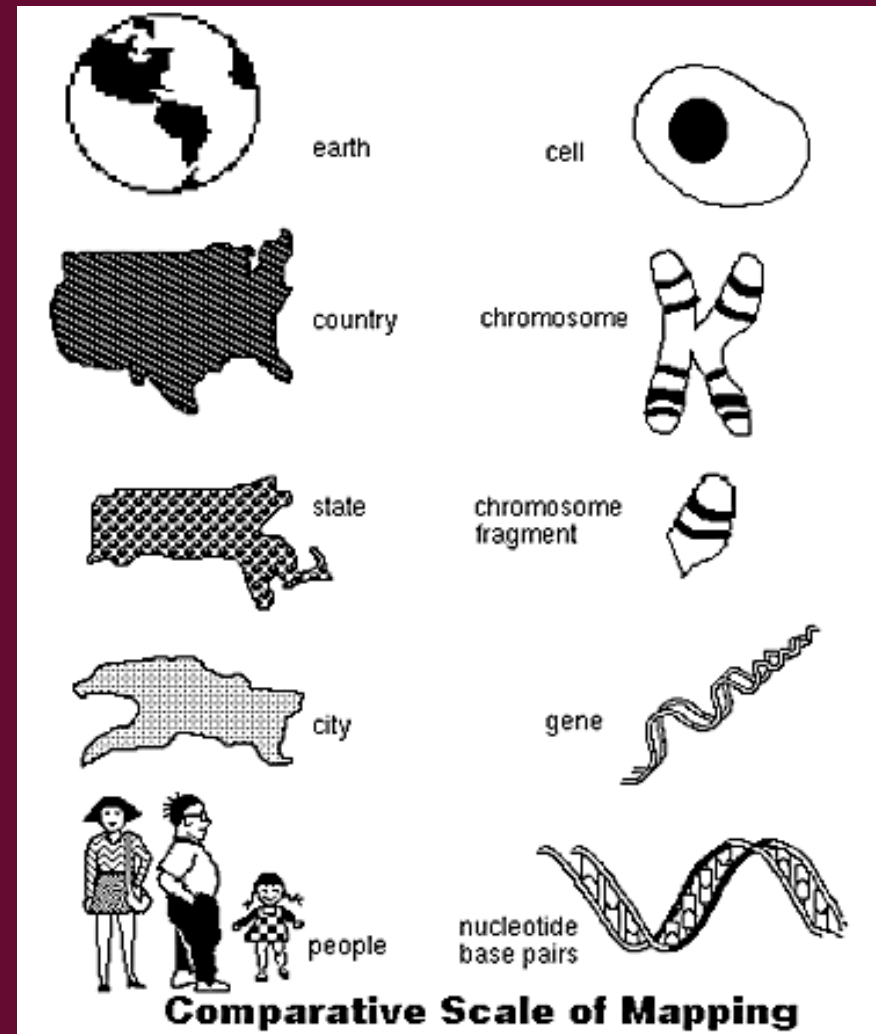
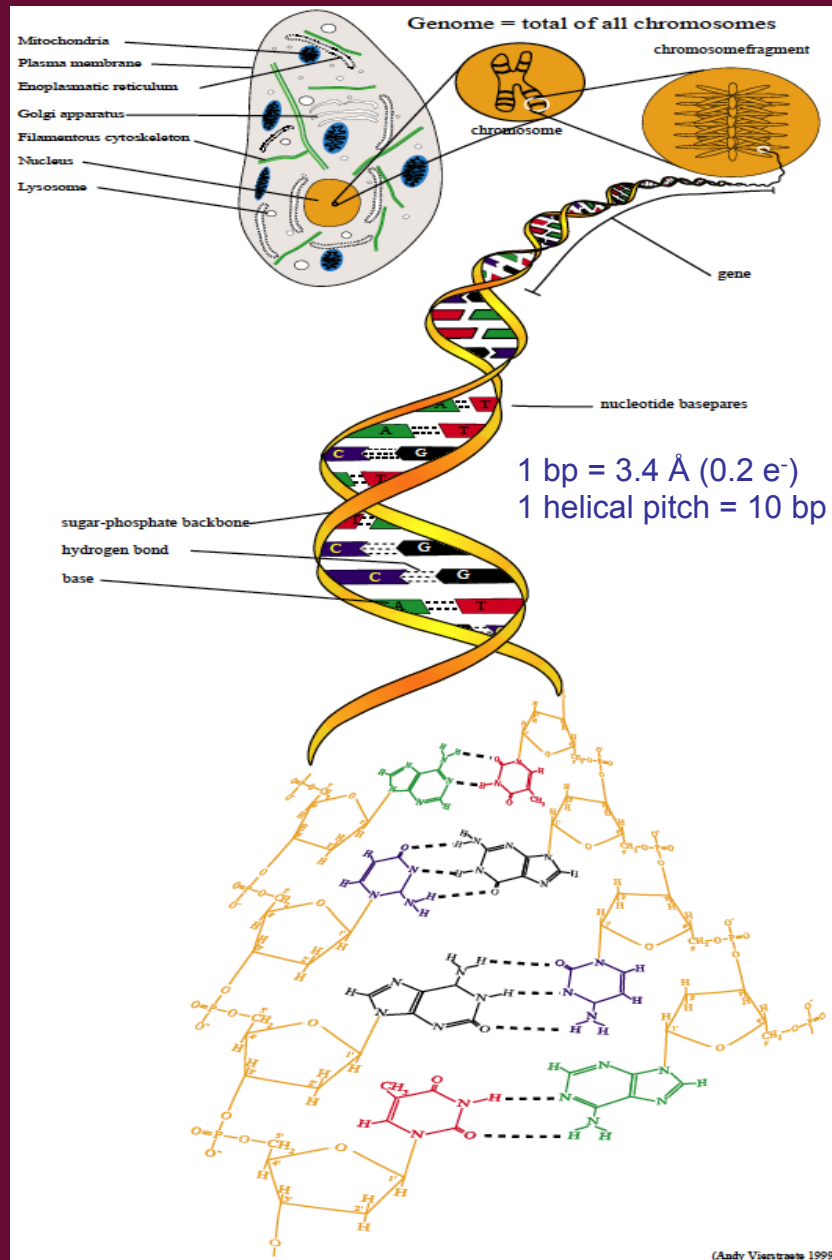
Carbon buckyball
~1 nm diameter

The Challenge

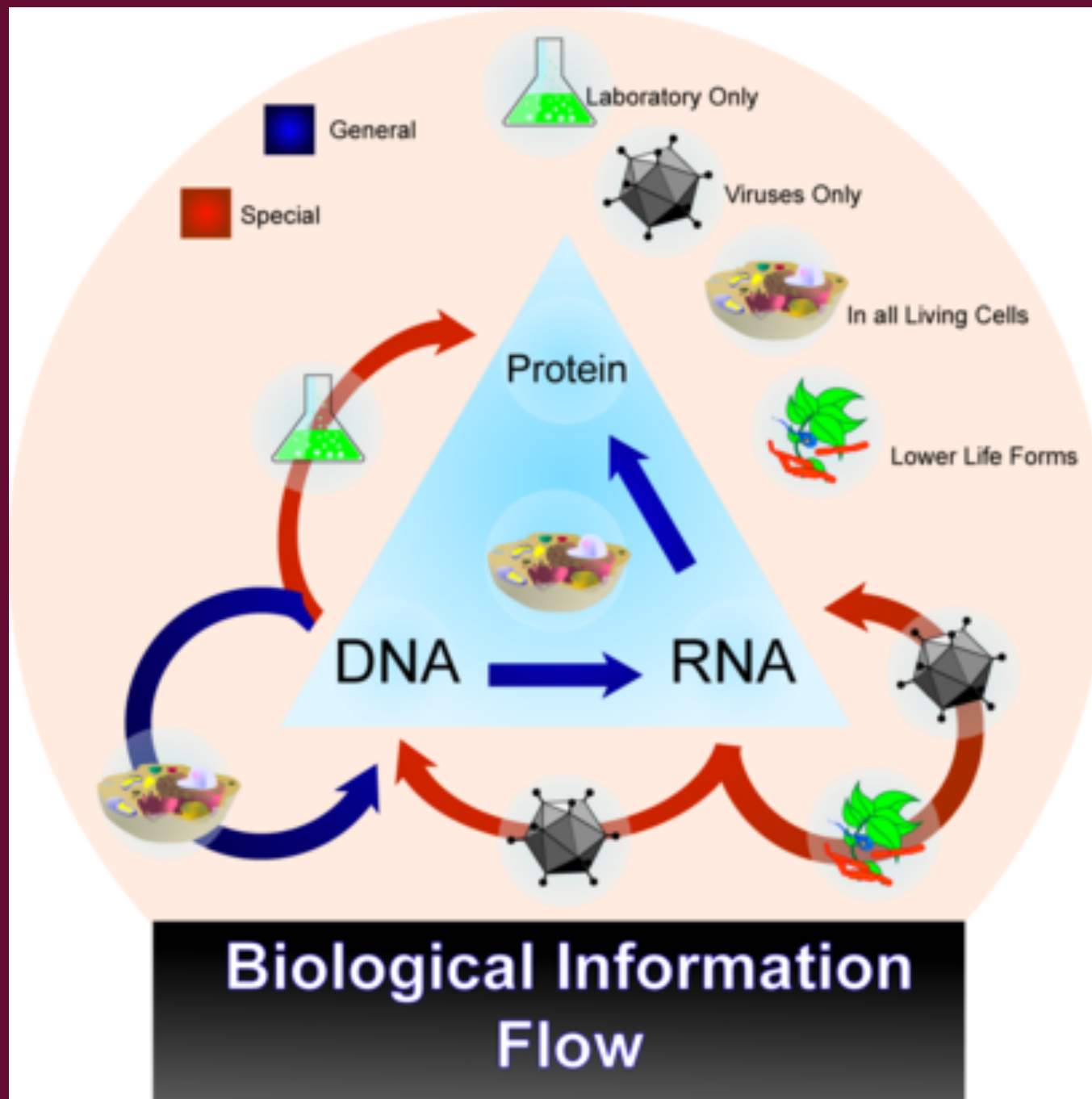


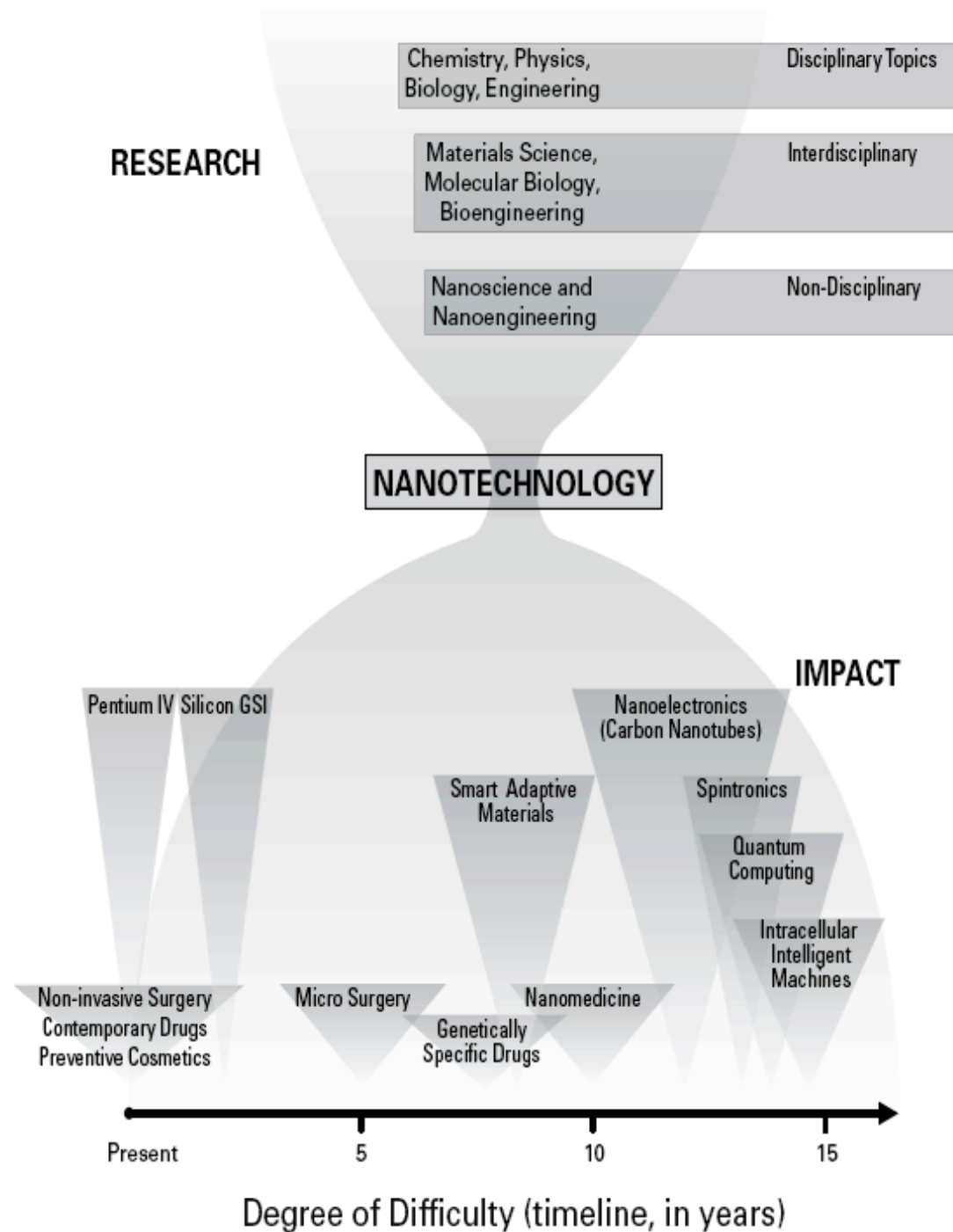
Fabricate and combine nanoscale building blocks to make useful devices, e.g., a photosynthetic reaction center with integral semiconductor storage.

Cell and Molecules

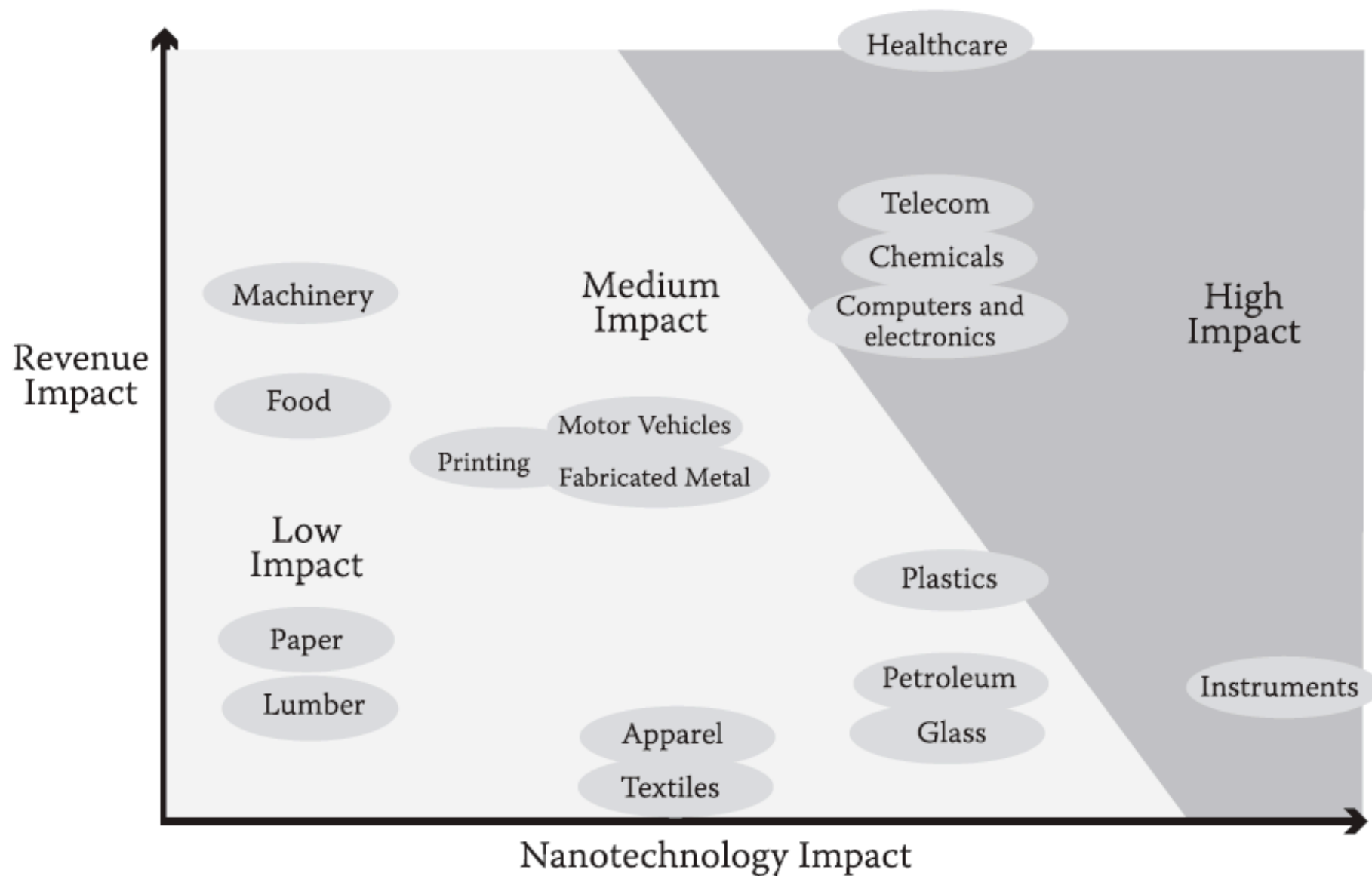


<http://accessexcellence.org/RC/VL/GG/comparative.html>





Nanotechnology's Probable Business Impact in 2007



Device fabrication facilities in a class-1000 cleanroom

E-beam writer



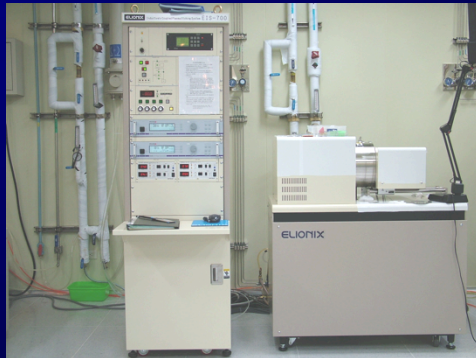
Laser writer



Photolithography yellow room



ICP Etcher



Evaporators



SEM, AFM, RIE, ...



Dual beam FIB



Scanning probe microscopy



3D-FESEM

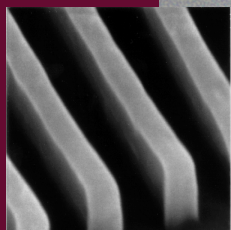
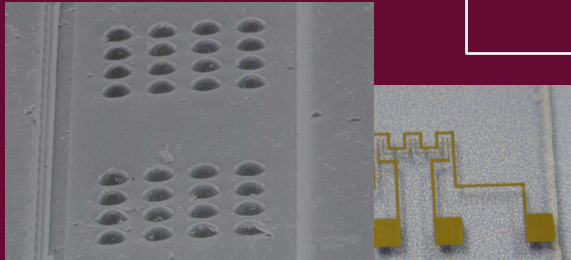


Manufacturing and prototyping

Fabrication methods

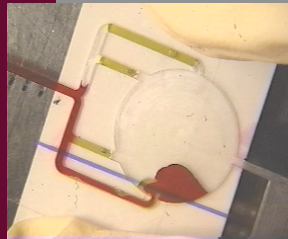


Molding, embossing, NanoImprinting

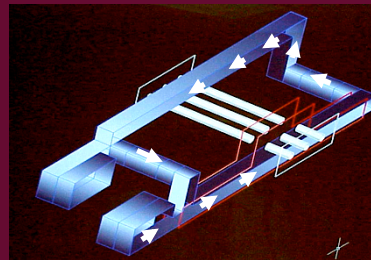


NIL Mask, 70 nm

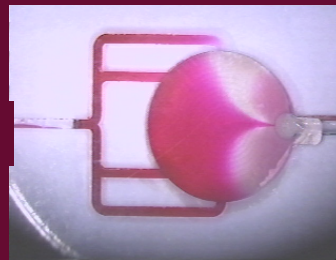
Device components



Valves

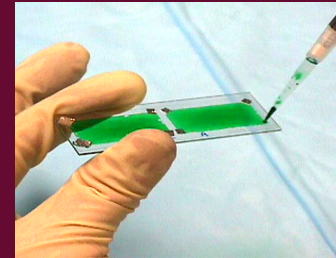


Pumps

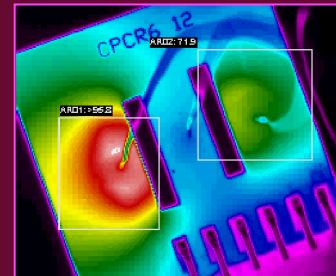


Mixers

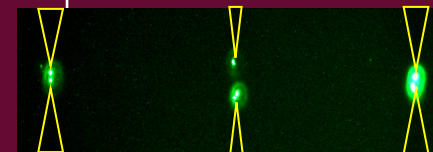
Assays



Channel hyb

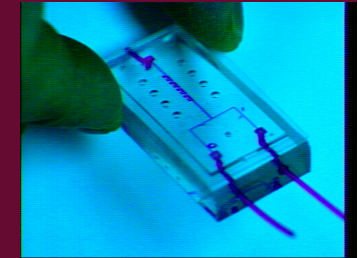


Amplification - PCR

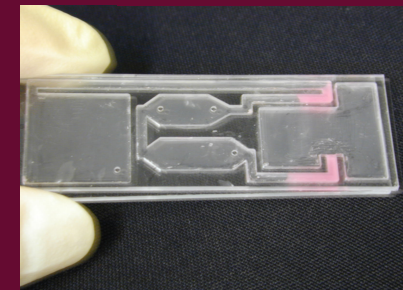


Cell and DNA capture

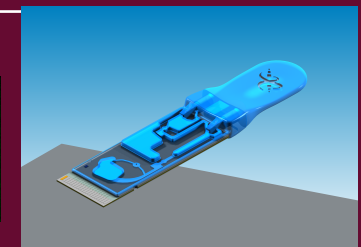
Integrated solutions



Multi-layer devices



Multi-functional cartridges



Amplification-
Detection
On Chip

Navier-Stokes Equation for Newtonian fluid:

$$\rho \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} \right] = \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{v} - \nabla p.$$

$$Re = \frac{\rho v_s^2 / L}{\mu v_s / L^2} = \frac{\rho v_s L}{\mu} = \frac{v_s L}{\nu} = \frac{\text{Inertial forces}}{\text{Viscous forces}}$$

Typical values of Reynolds number

- * Spermatozoa $\sim 1 \times 10^{-2}$
- * Blood flow in brain $\sim 1 \times 10^2$
- * Blood flow in aorta $\sim 1 \times 10^3$

For water, $\mu = 0.01 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$

$D_h (\mu\text{m})$	$v (\text{cm/s})$	$Re (D_h v / \mu)$
100	0.1	0.1
	100	100
200	0.1	0.2
	100	200
500	0.1	0.5
	100	500

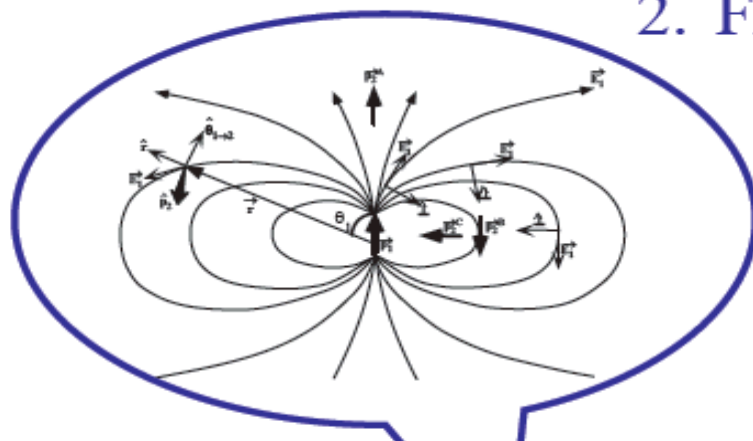
Onset of turbulent flow $\sim 2.3 \times 10^3$ for pipe flow to 10^6 for boundary layers

- * Typical pitch in Major League Baseball $\sim 2 \times 10^5$
- * Person swimming $\sim 4 \times 10^6$
- * Blue Whale $\sim 3 \times 10^8$
- * A large ship (RMS Queen Elizabeth 2) $\sim 5 \times 10^9$

Dipole-dipole interaction

1. Van der Waal force

2. FRET



Rate of energy transfer

$$K_T = (1/\tau_D) \cdot [R_0/r]^6$$

R_0 is the Förster critical distance, τ_D is the donor lifetime in the absence of the acceptor, and r is the distance separating the donor and acceptor chromophores.

$$R_0 = 2.11 \times 10^{-2} \cdot [\kappa^2 \cdot J(\lambda) \cdot \eta^{-4} \cdot Q_D]^{1/6}$$

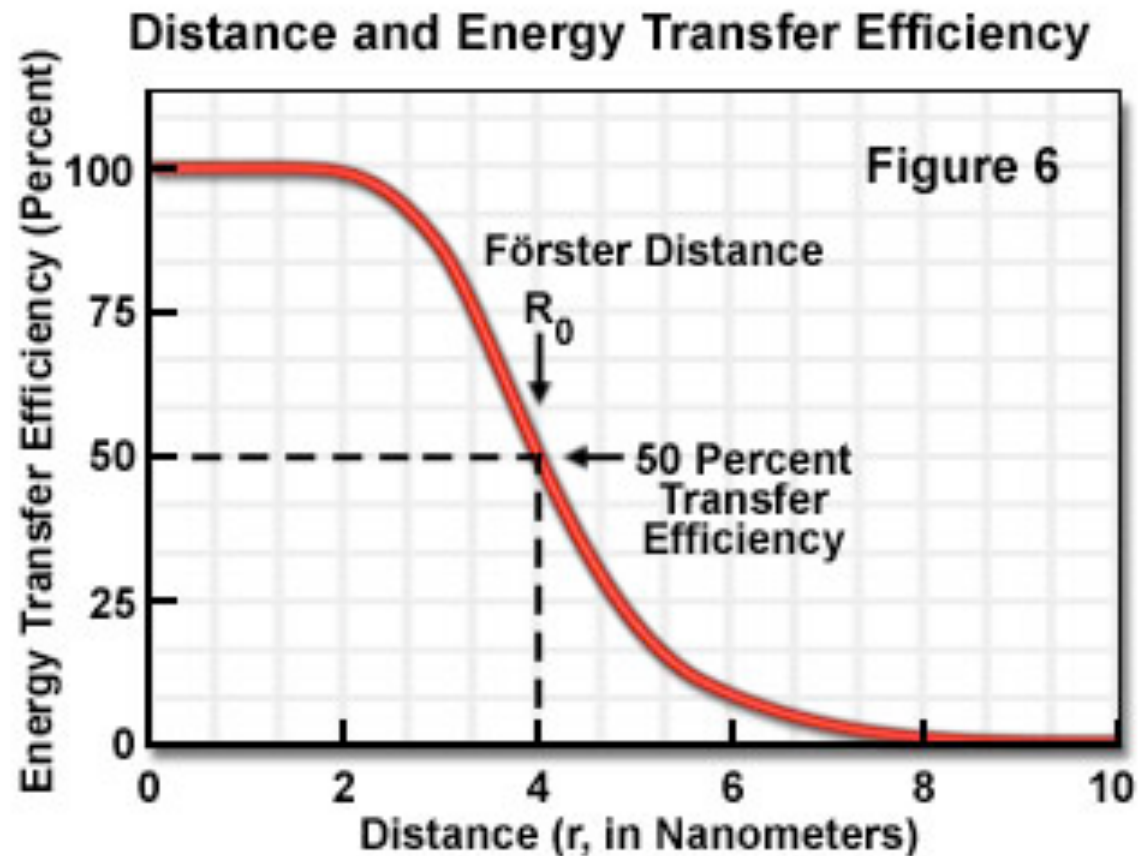
$\kappa = \text{kappa} = \text{orientation factor}$ $\kappa^2 \approx 2/3$

The efficiency of energy transfer, $E(T)$, is a measure of the fraction of photons absorbed by the donor that are transferred to the acceptor, and is related to the donor-acceptor separation distance, r , by the equation:

$$r = R_0 \cdot [(1/E_T) - 1]^{1/6}$$

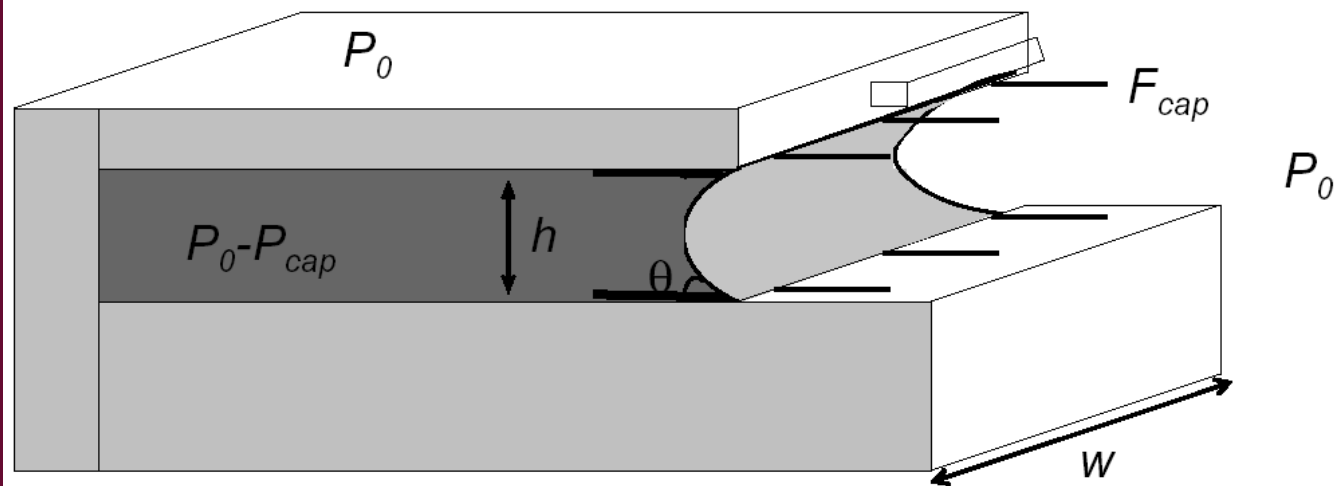
$$E_T = 1 - (\tau_{DA}/\tau_D)$$

where τ_{DA} is the donor lifetime in the presence of the acceptor and τ_D is the donor lifetime in the absence of the acceptor.



Capillary Forces

Capillary pressure



$$F_{cap} = 2w\gamma \cos \theta$$

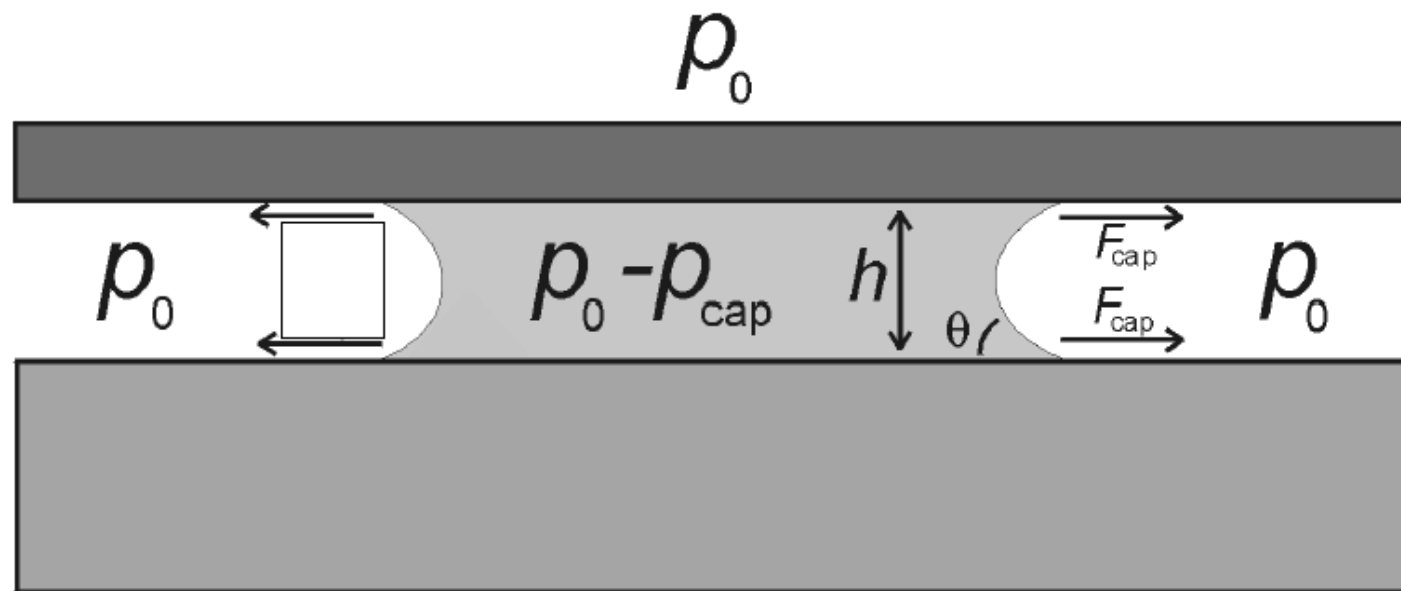
$$P_{cap} = \frac{2\gamma \cos \theta}{h}$$

γ : surface tension (Nm^{-1})

θ : contact angle

Pressure increases with $1/h$!!

Capillarity induced negative pressure

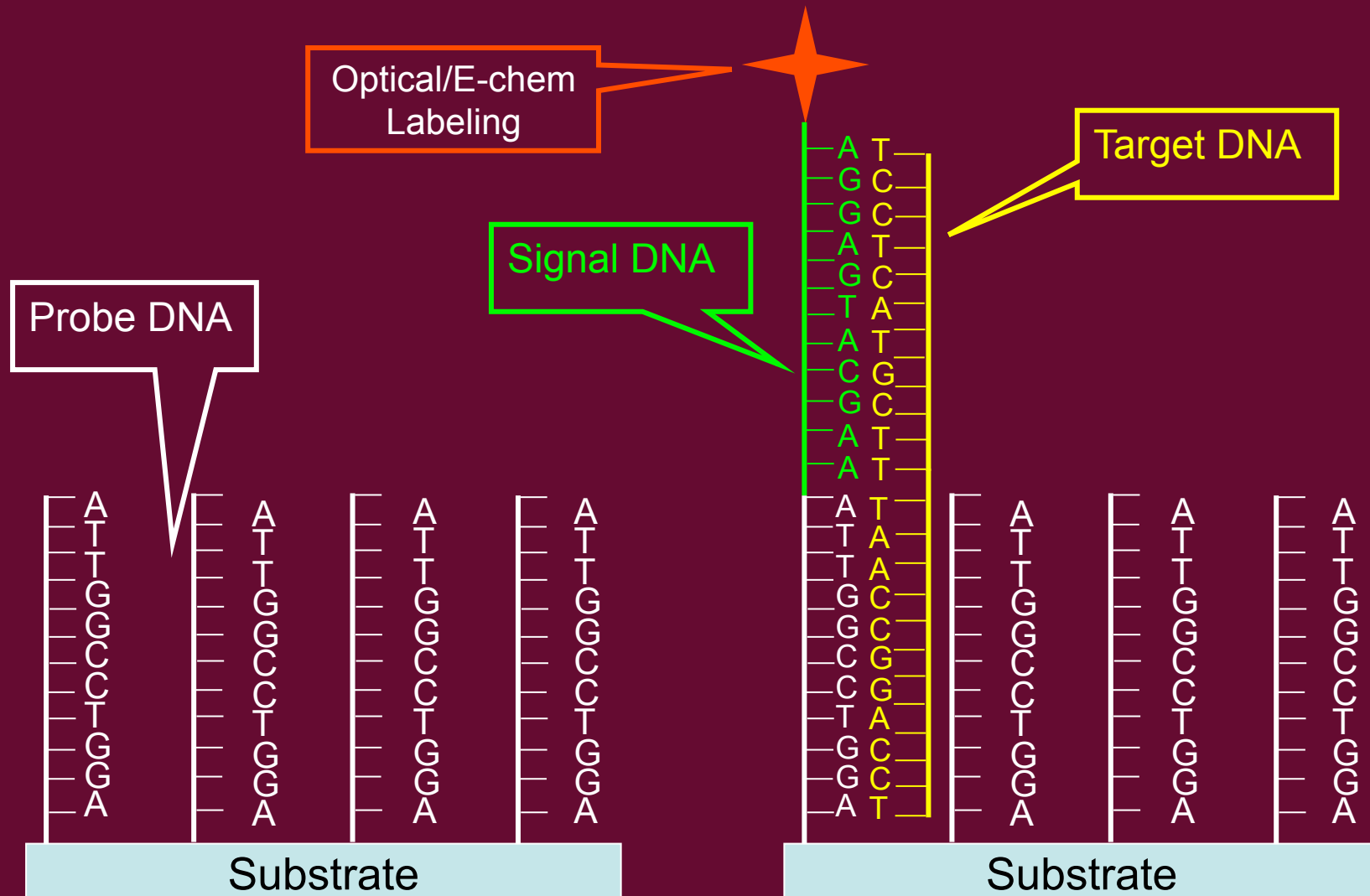


$$p_{\text{cap}} = \frac{2\gamma \cos \theta}{h}$$

$$h = 108 \text{ nm}, \gamma = 0.07 \text{ Nm}^{-1} \theta = 18^\circ$$

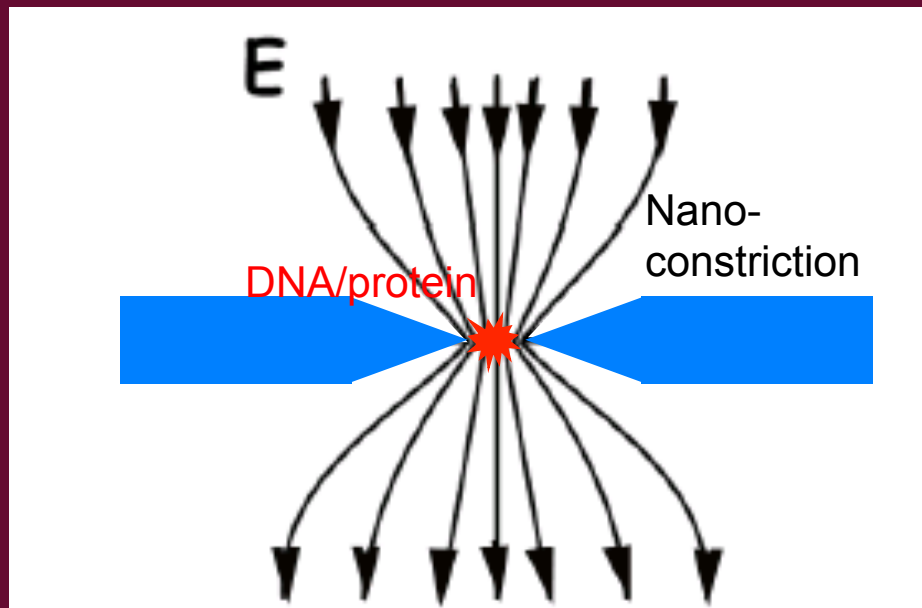
$$\rightarrow p_0 - p_{\text{cap}} = -12 \text{ bar}$$

Principles of DNA Hybridization & Detection



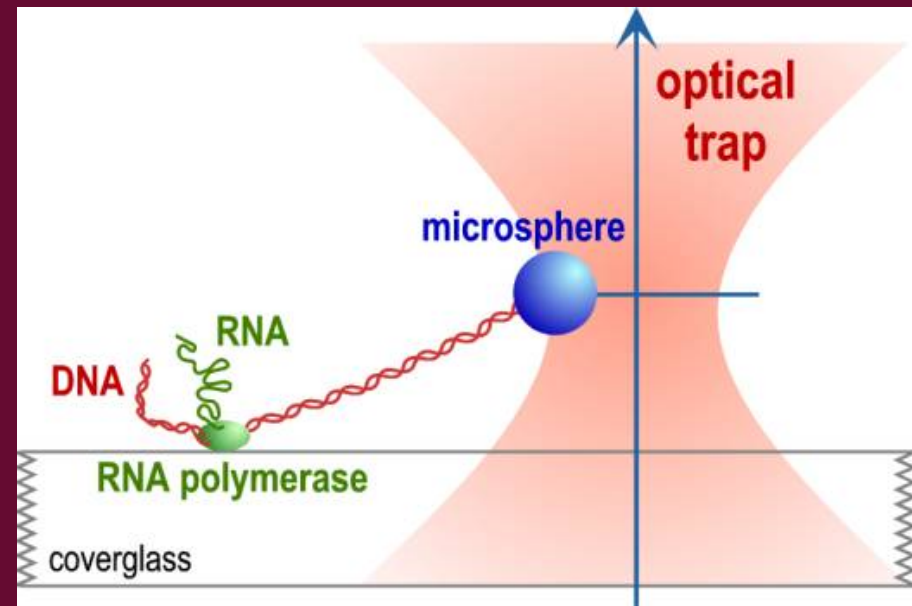
EDEP Molecular Trap vs. Optical Trap

EDEP molecular trap



Electric field focused
at the constriction

Optical trap



Electric field focused
at the focal point