

# Chemistry of metal nanoparticles

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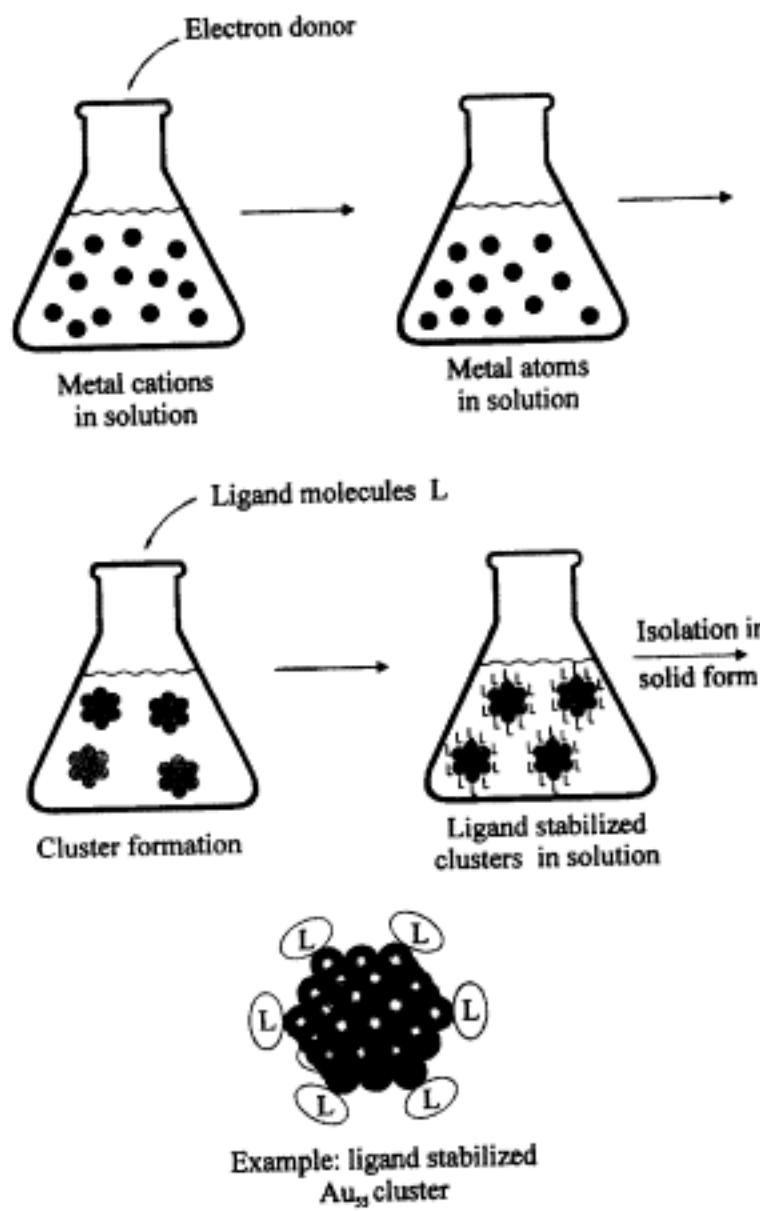
## Molecular solids Nanomaterials

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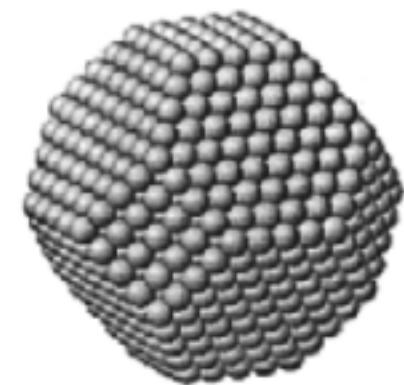
## New Materials, chemistry and applications

1. MPCs
2. Core-shell materials
3. Sub-nano particles, clusters
4. Gas phase clusters

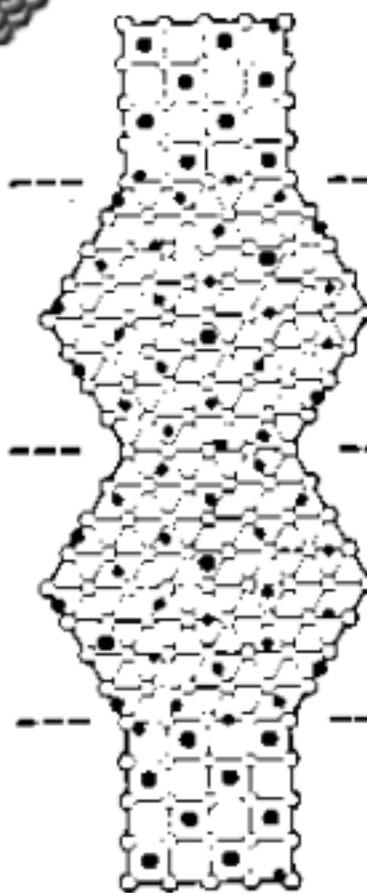
# Chemical synthesis



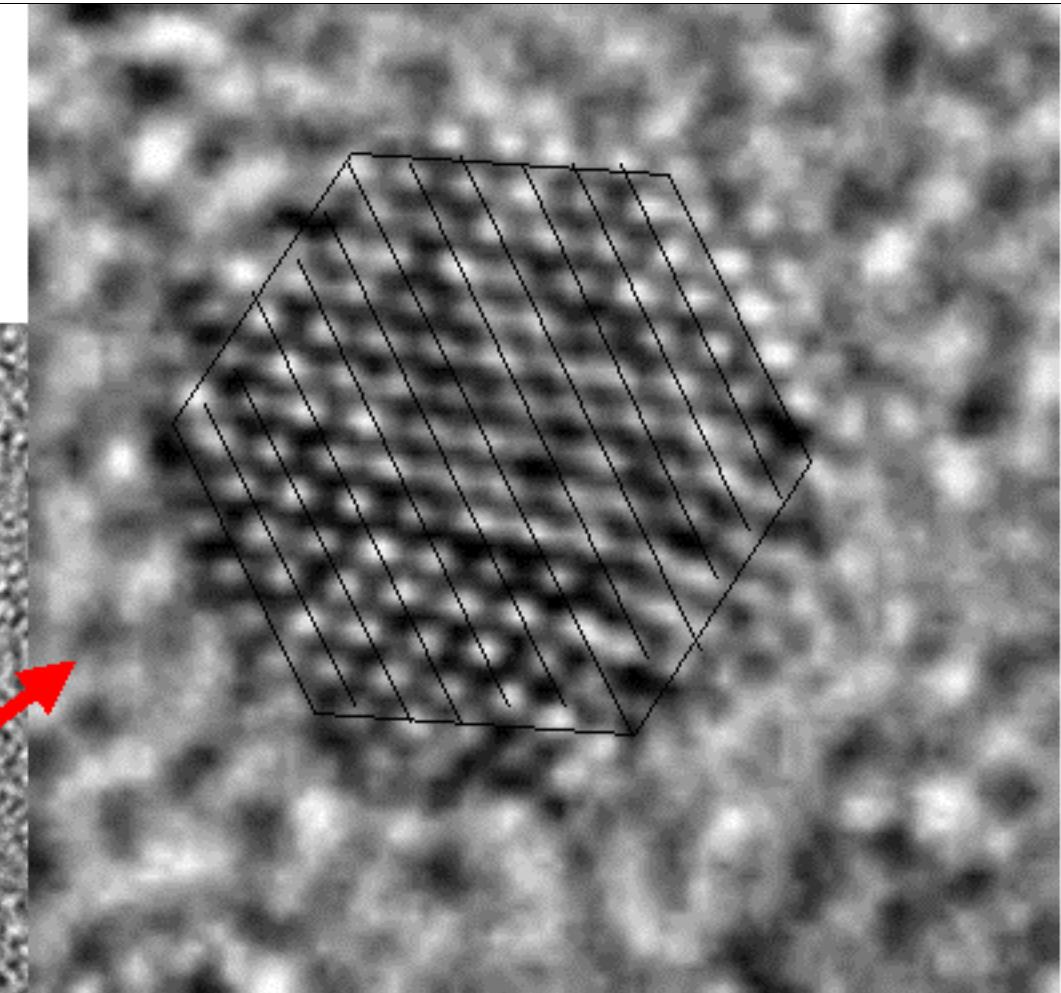
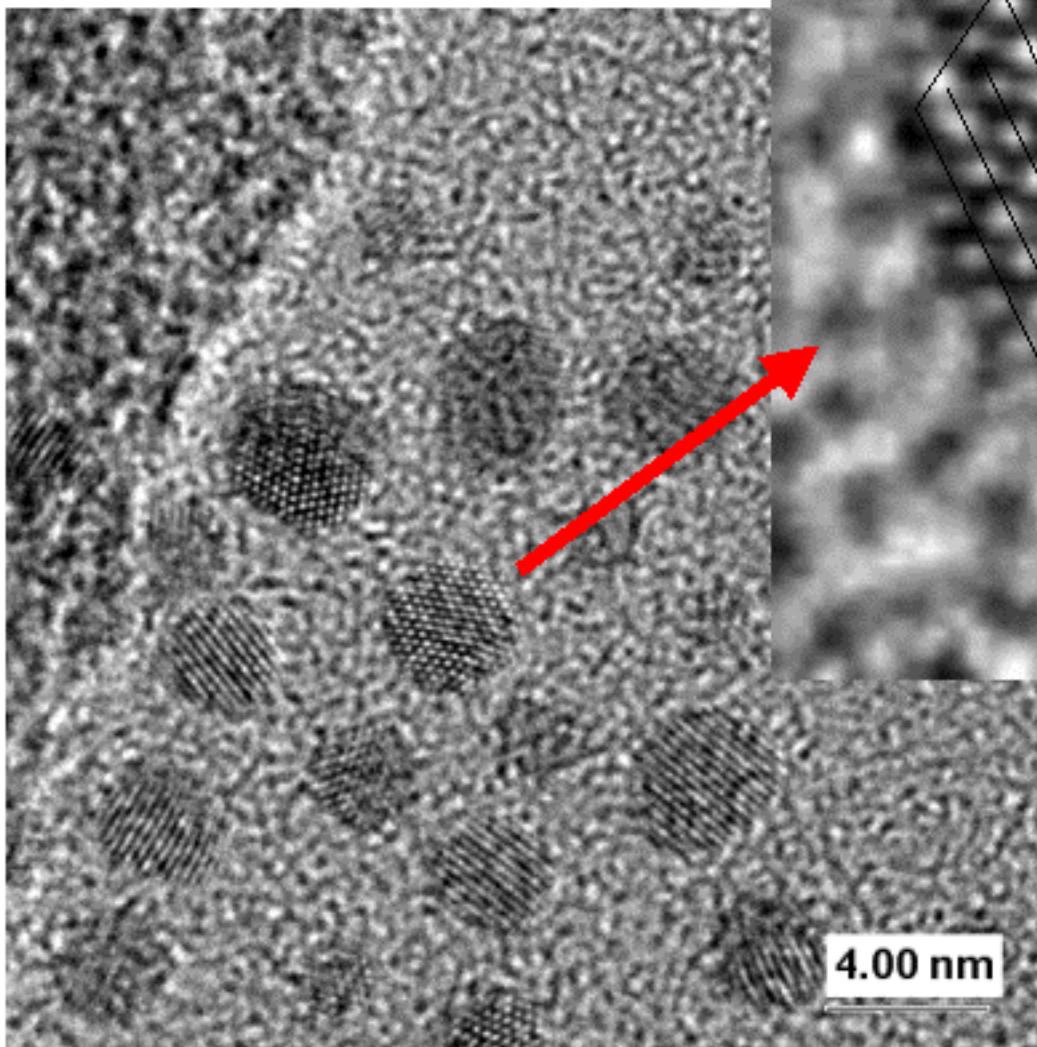
Schematic procedure of cluster synthesis.



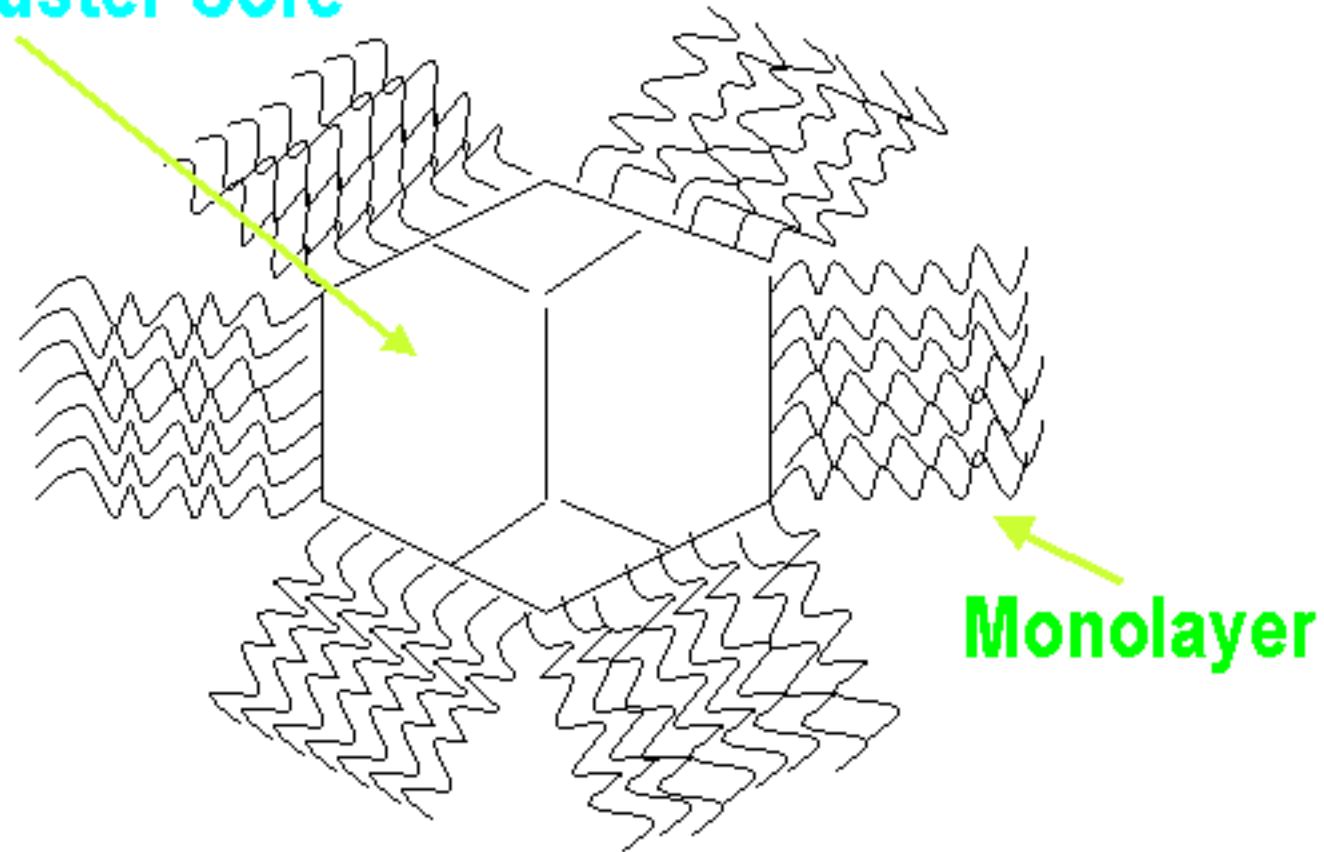
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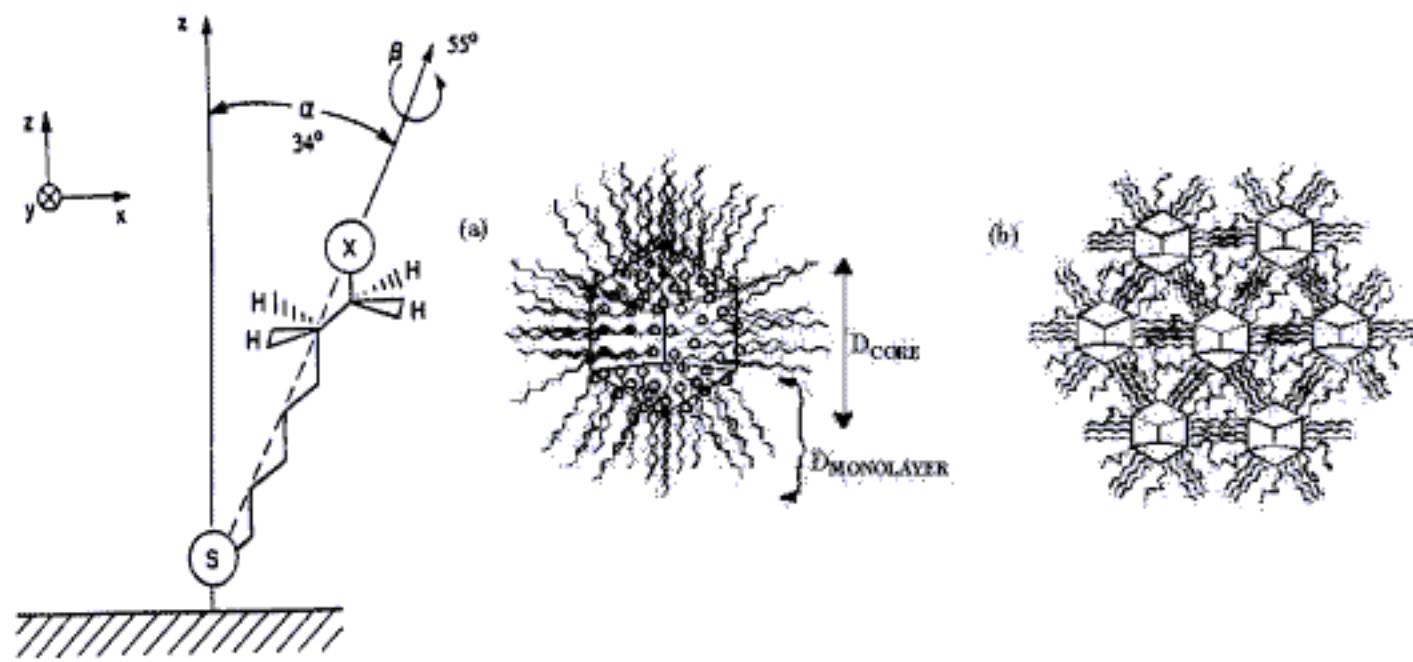


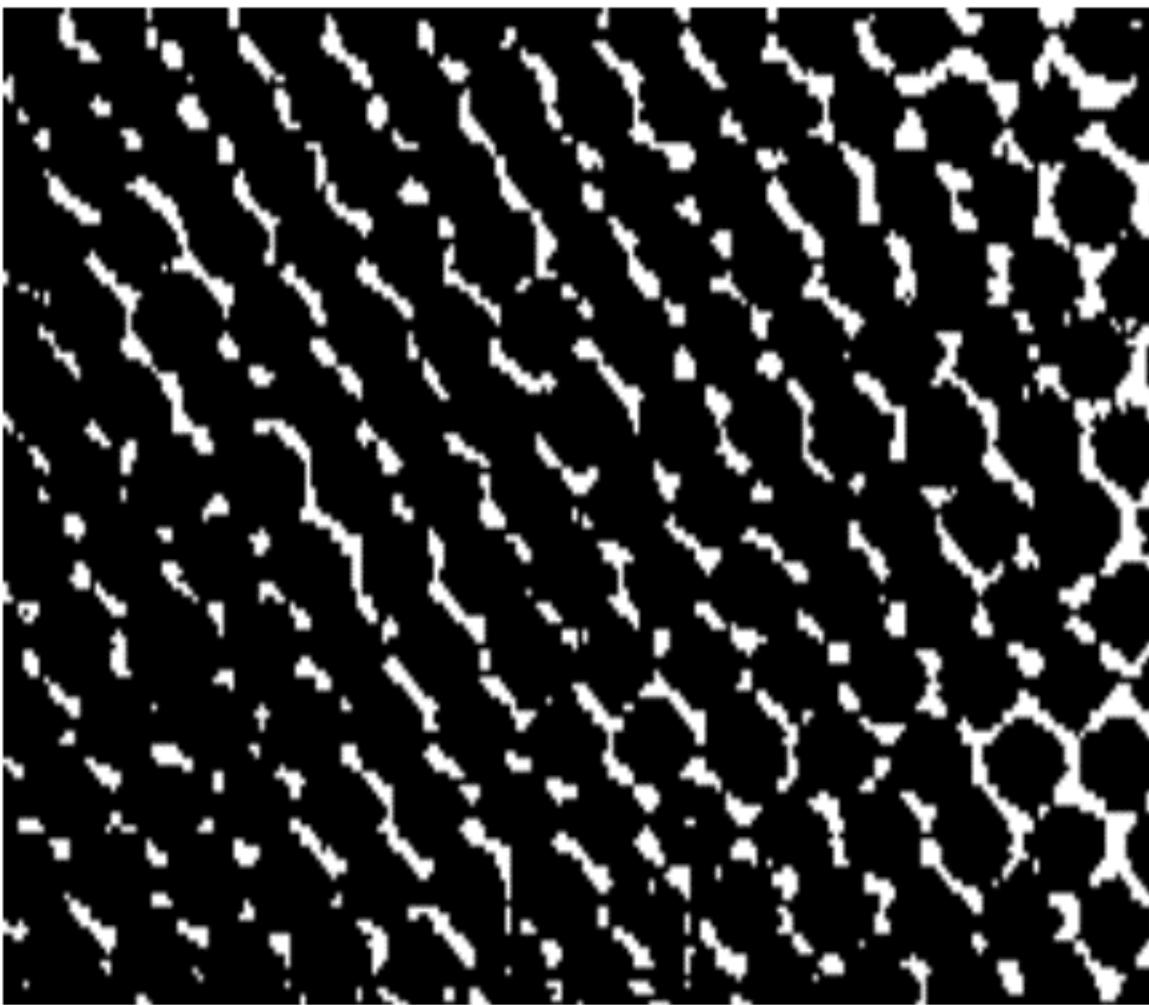
**Cluster Core**



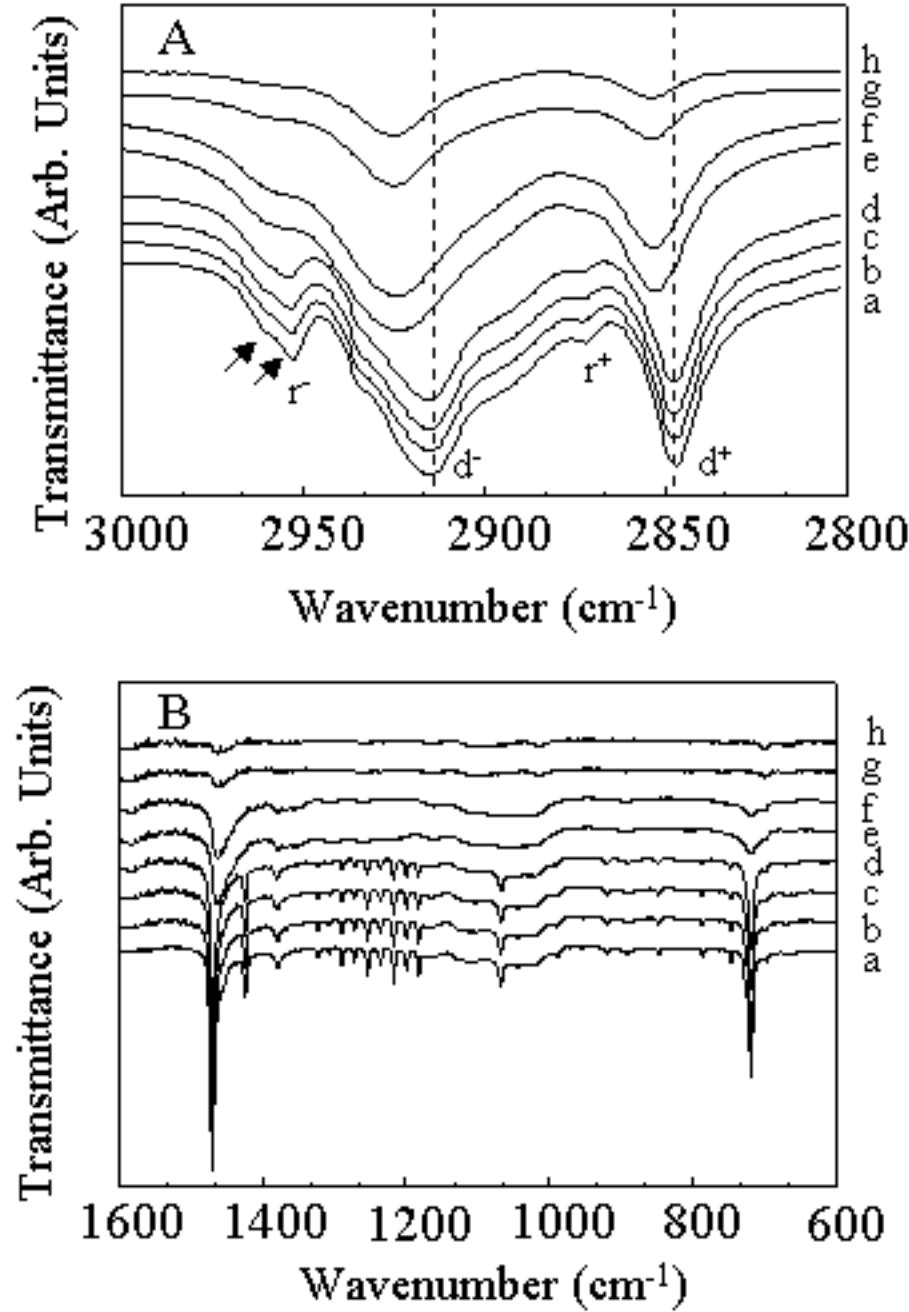
**Monolayer**

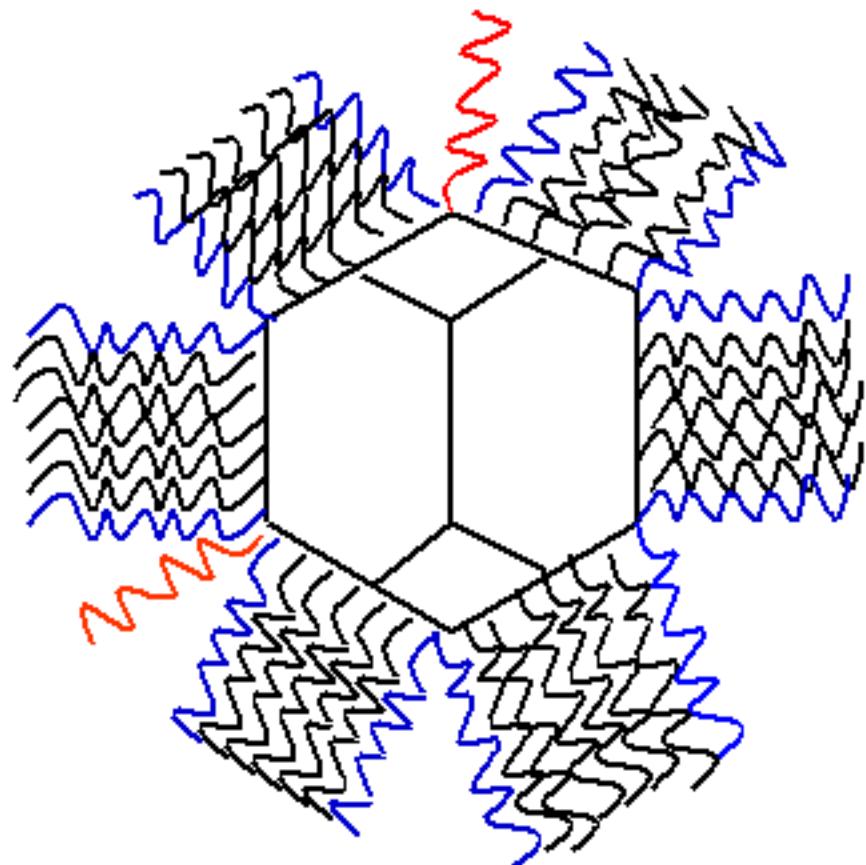
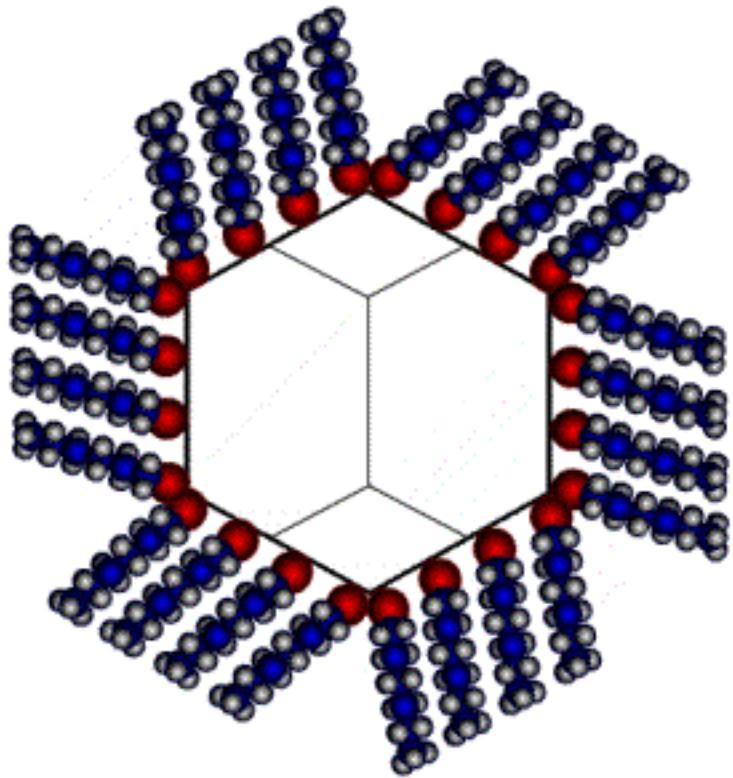
**Monolayer protected cluster**





Superlattices of clusters



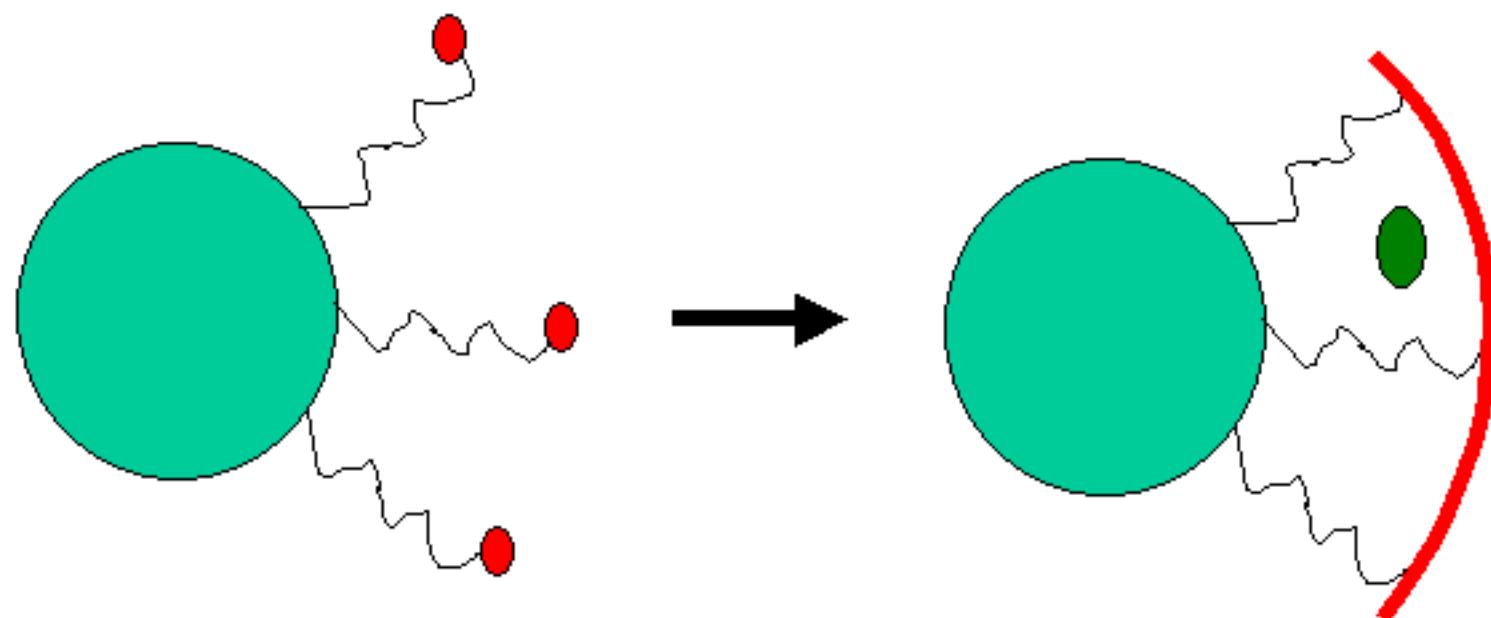


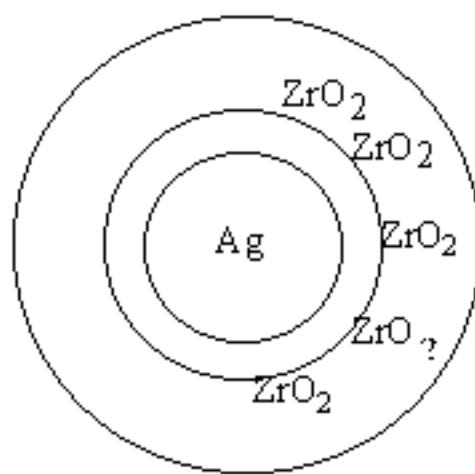
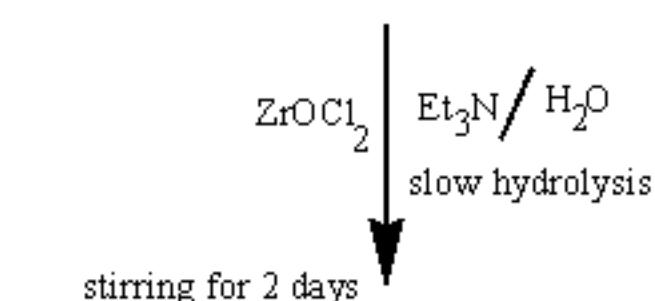
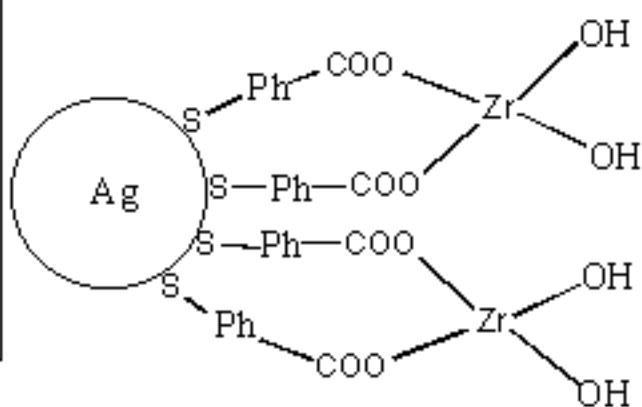
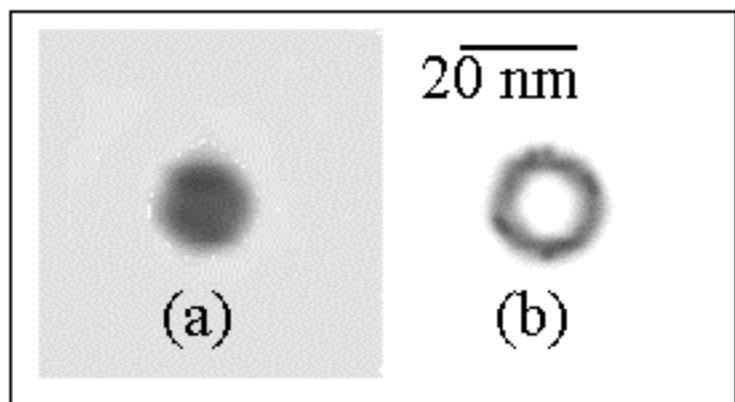
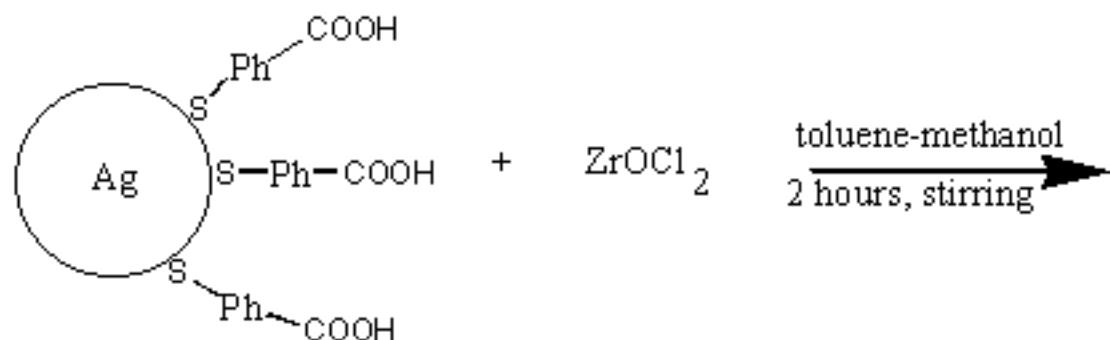
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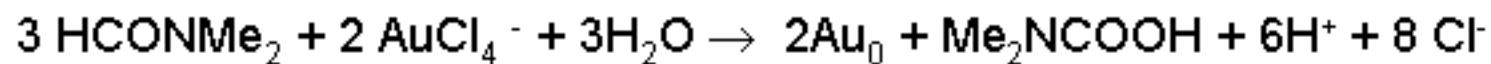
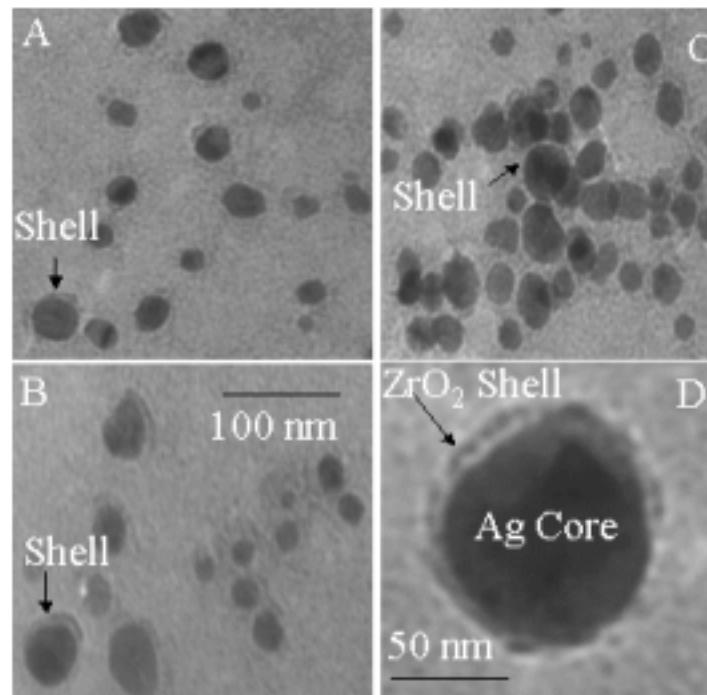
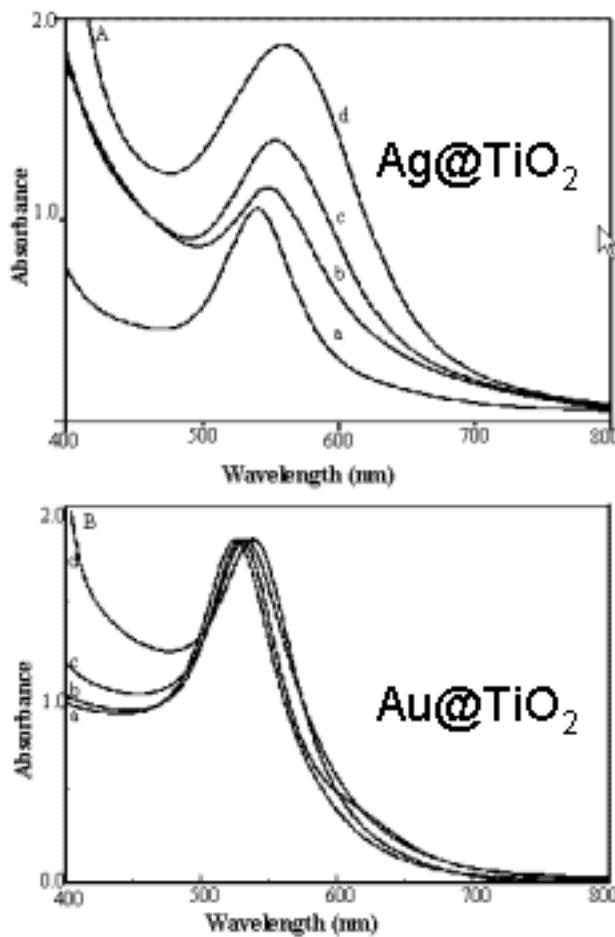
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## Monolayer chemistry to materials

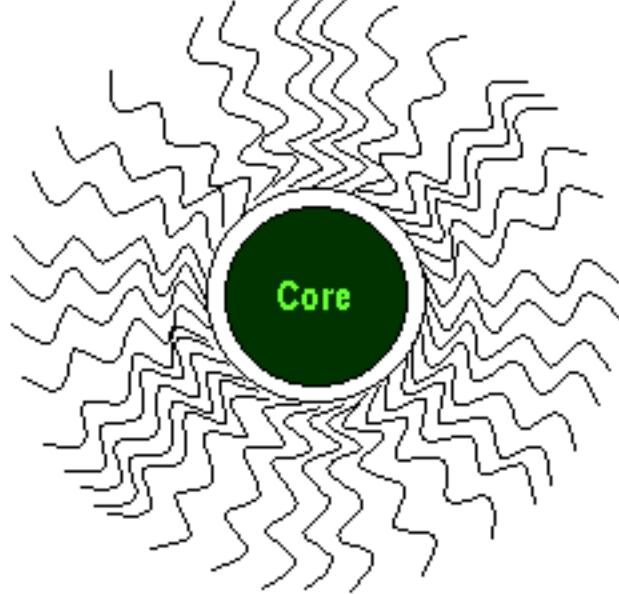




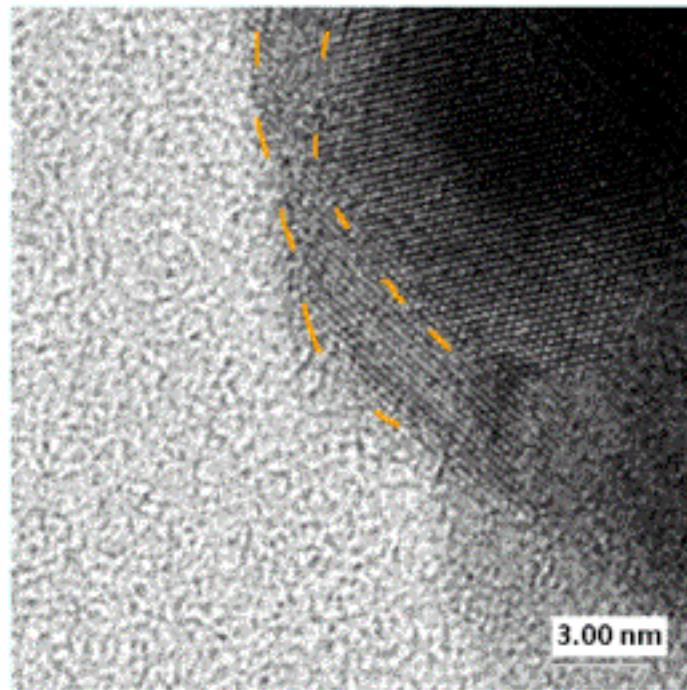


...and  $\text{Au@ZrO}_2$ ,  $\text{Ag@ZrO}_2$

Langmuir 2003

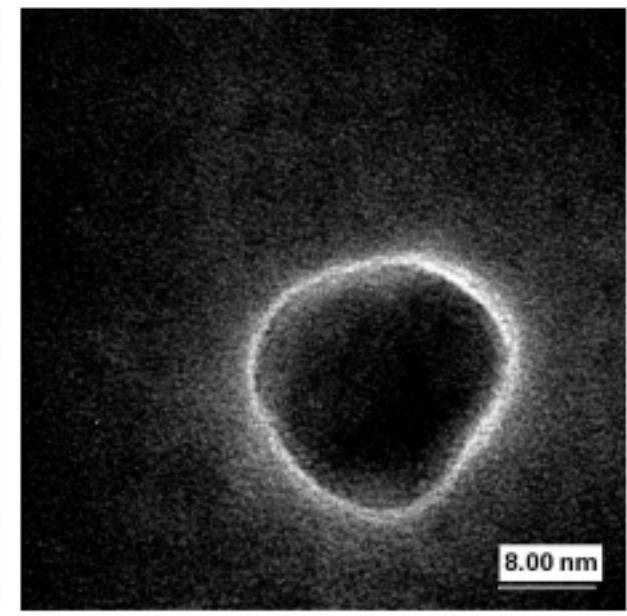
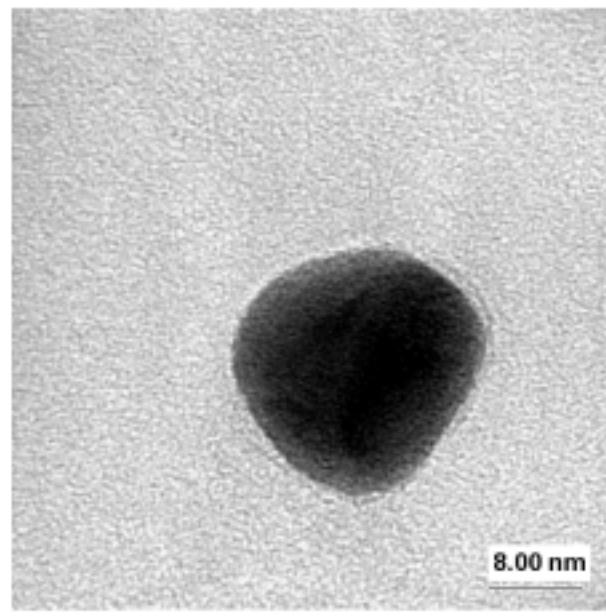
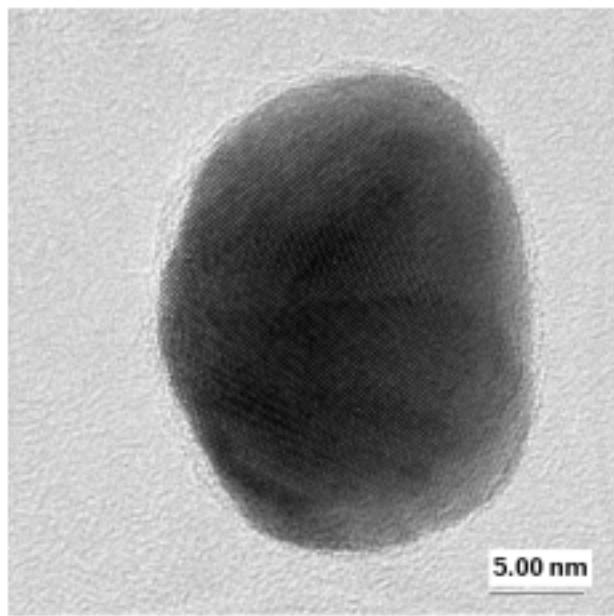


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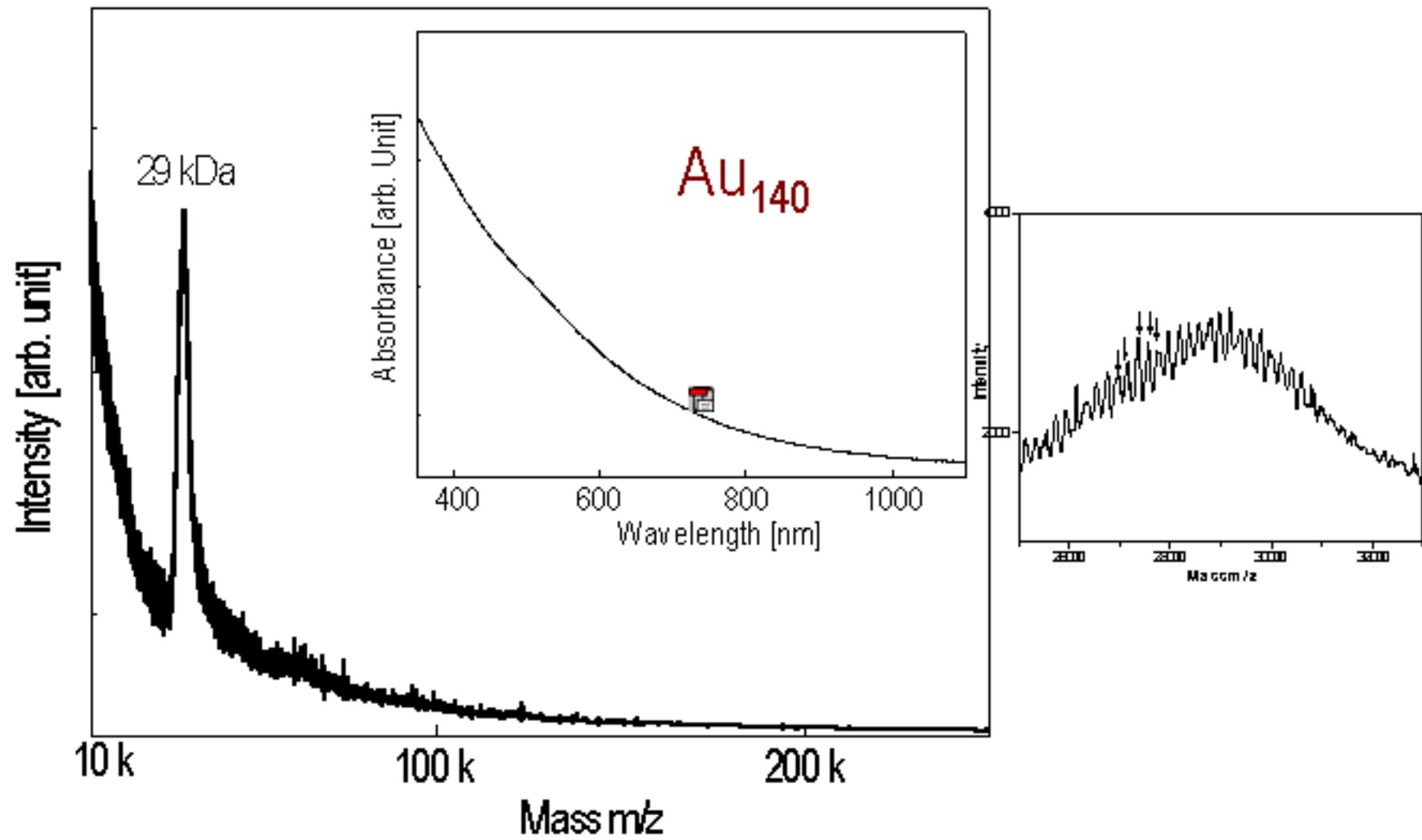


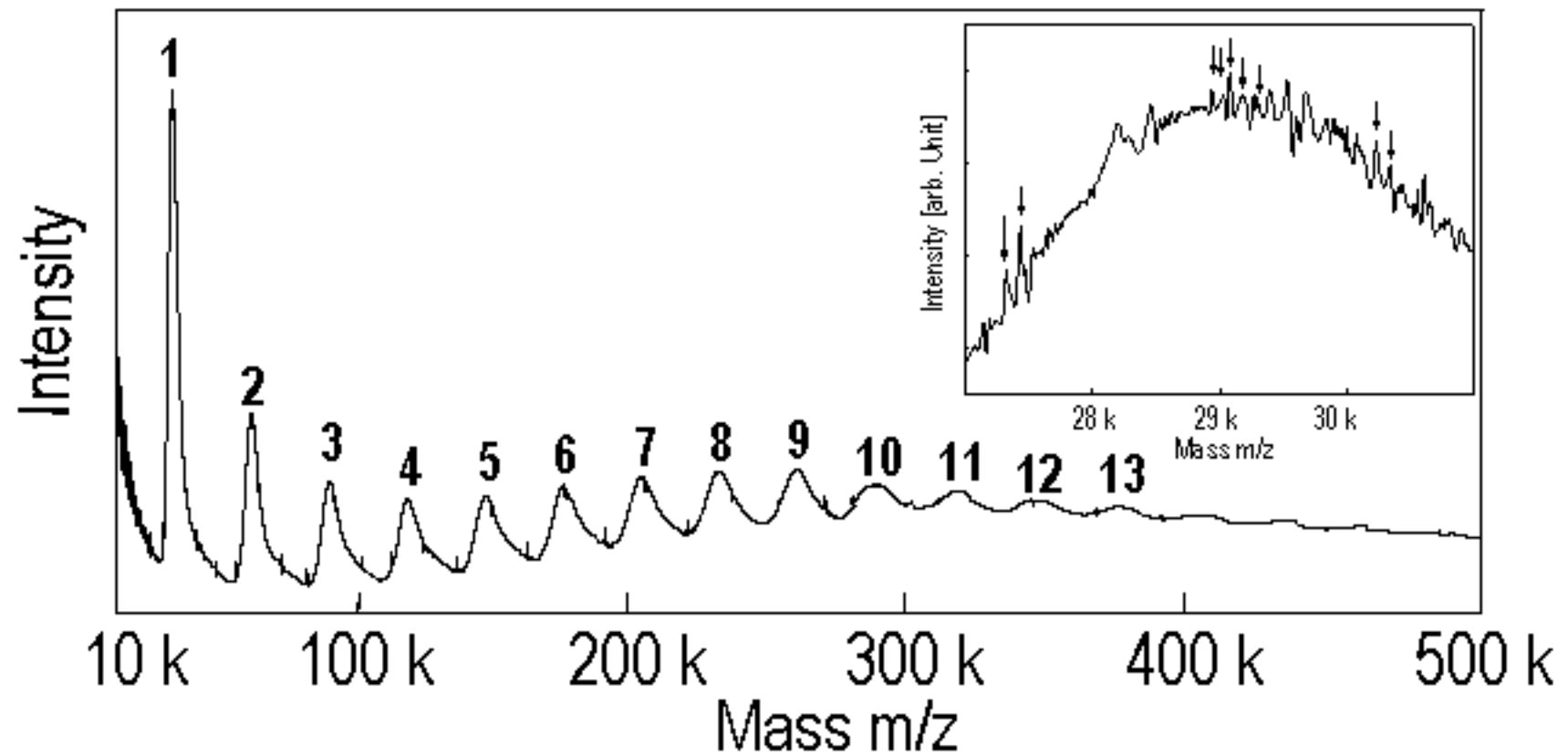
Freely soluble M@ZrO<sub>2</sub>@XR

J. Mat. Chem. 2004a, b



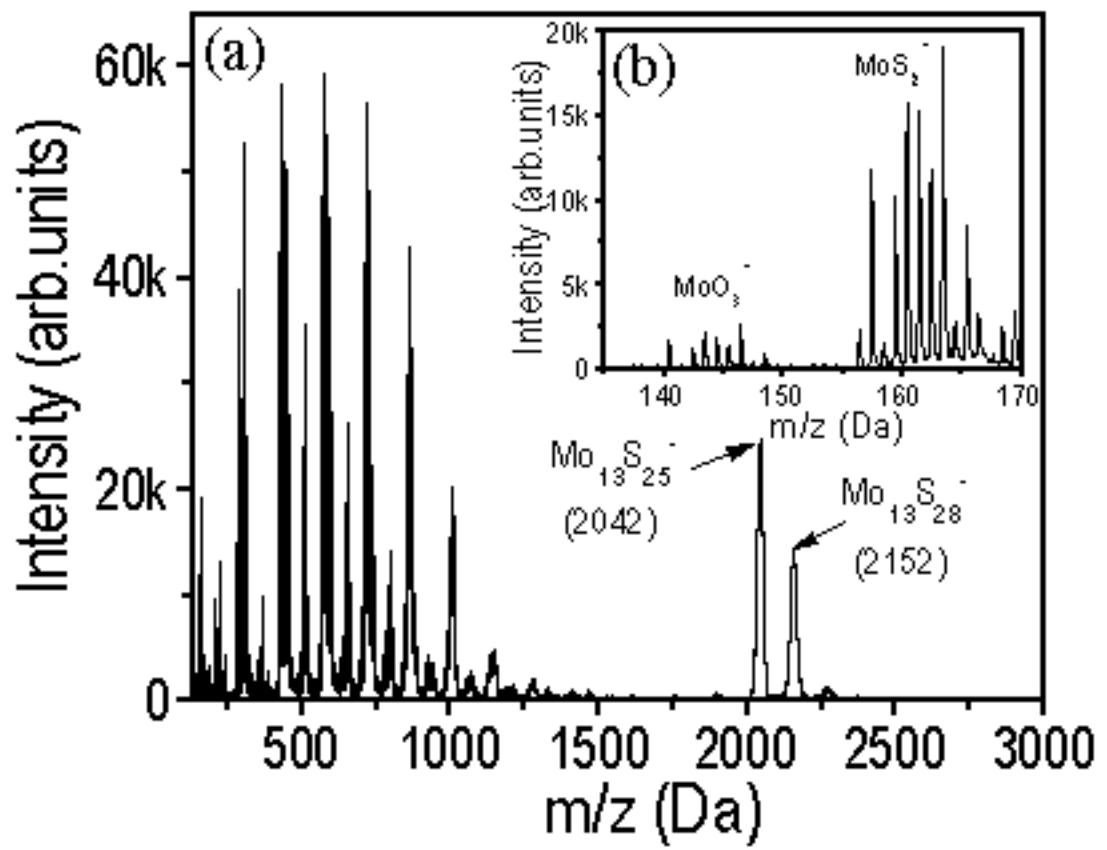
Ian MacLaren





DLDI-TOF MS Au@hexanethiol cluster

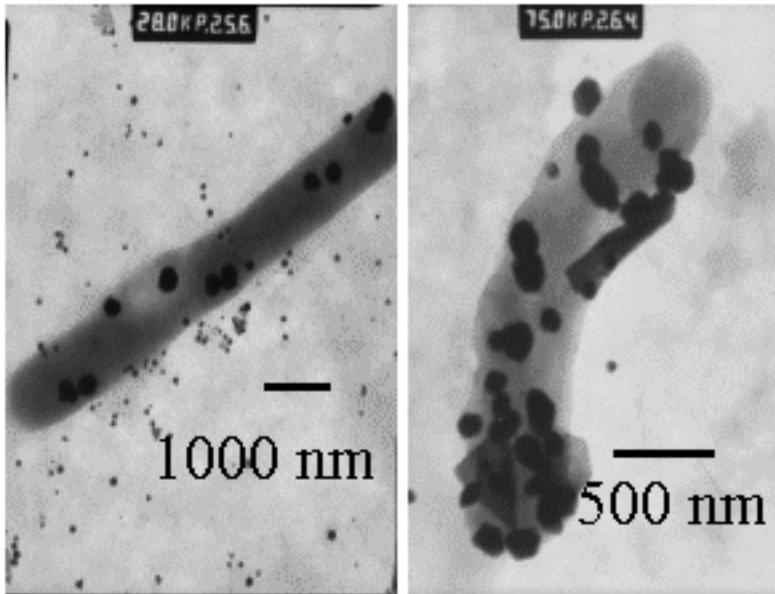
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MoS<sub>2</sub> magic clusters

Novel synthetic routes

# Biosynthesis

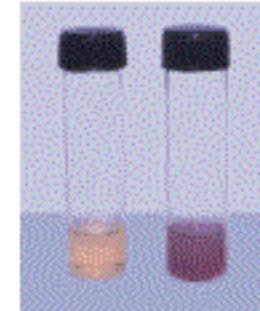


Crystallites of gold and silver grown with common *Lactobacillus* strains

Growth happens by exposing bacteria to metal ions

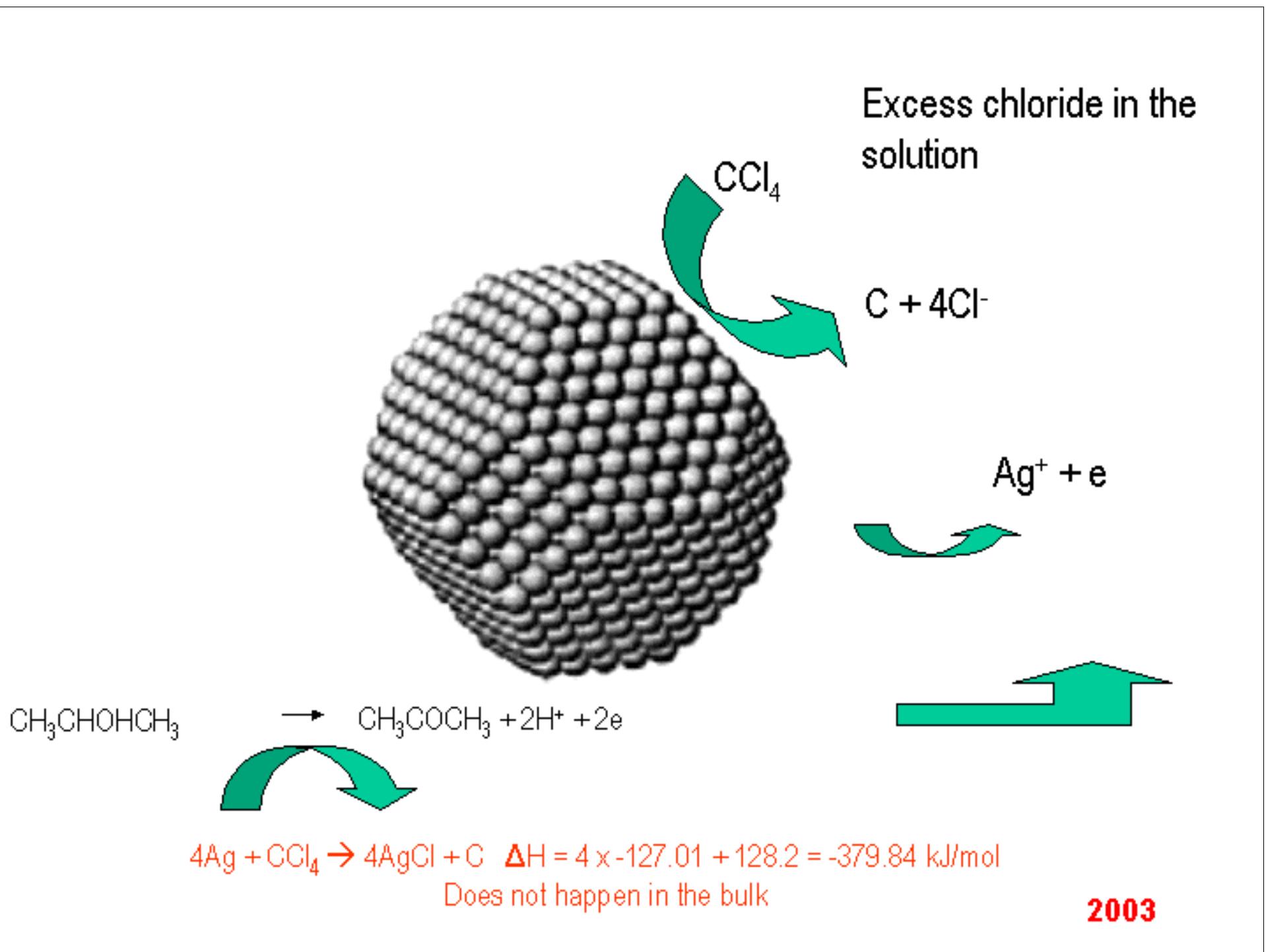
Nearly 30% of the dry bacterial mass is metals

Application in extraction

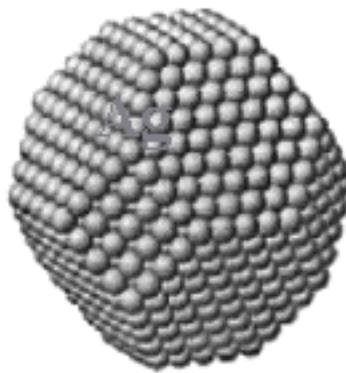


Free bacterial (left) and metal colloid (right) solutions

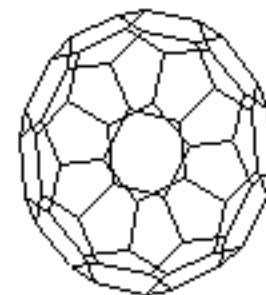
New chemistry



C6H5CH2Cl +



2-propanol



2004

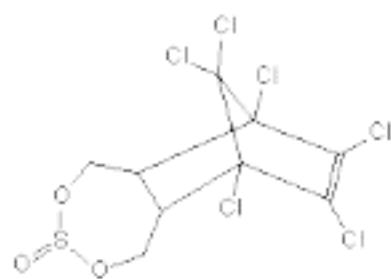
## **Applications**

## Environmental applications

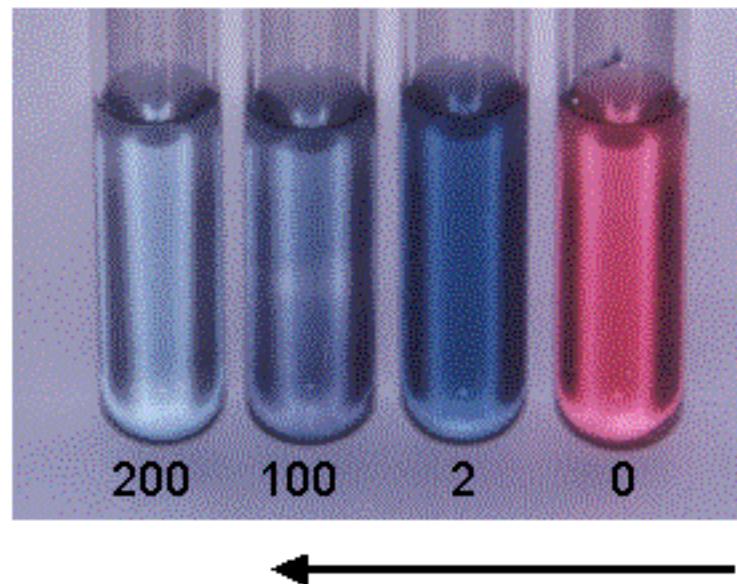
# Detection and decontamination

Color of gold nanoparticles with endosulfan

## Example



Endosulfan



Endosulfan concentration in ppm

Pesticide removal

Indian Patent filed

International patent in process

Technology being commercialized

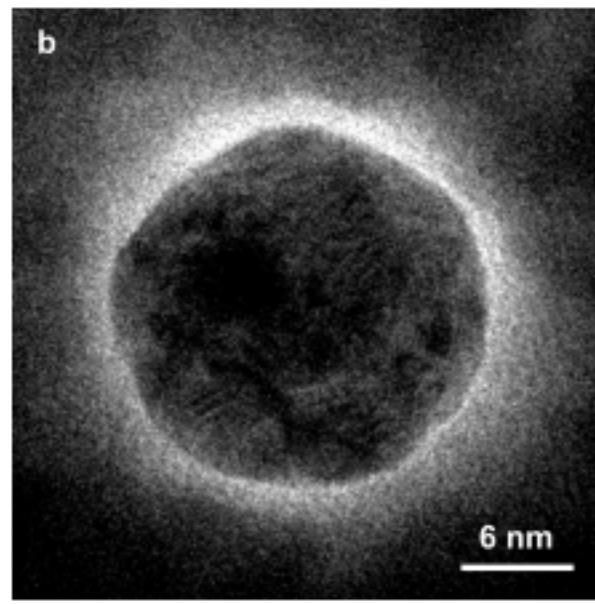
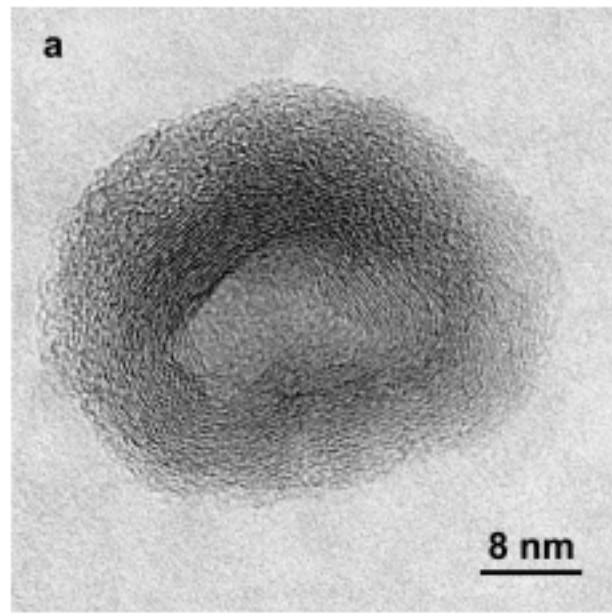
Color changes with pesticide concentration

Good response at lower concentrations

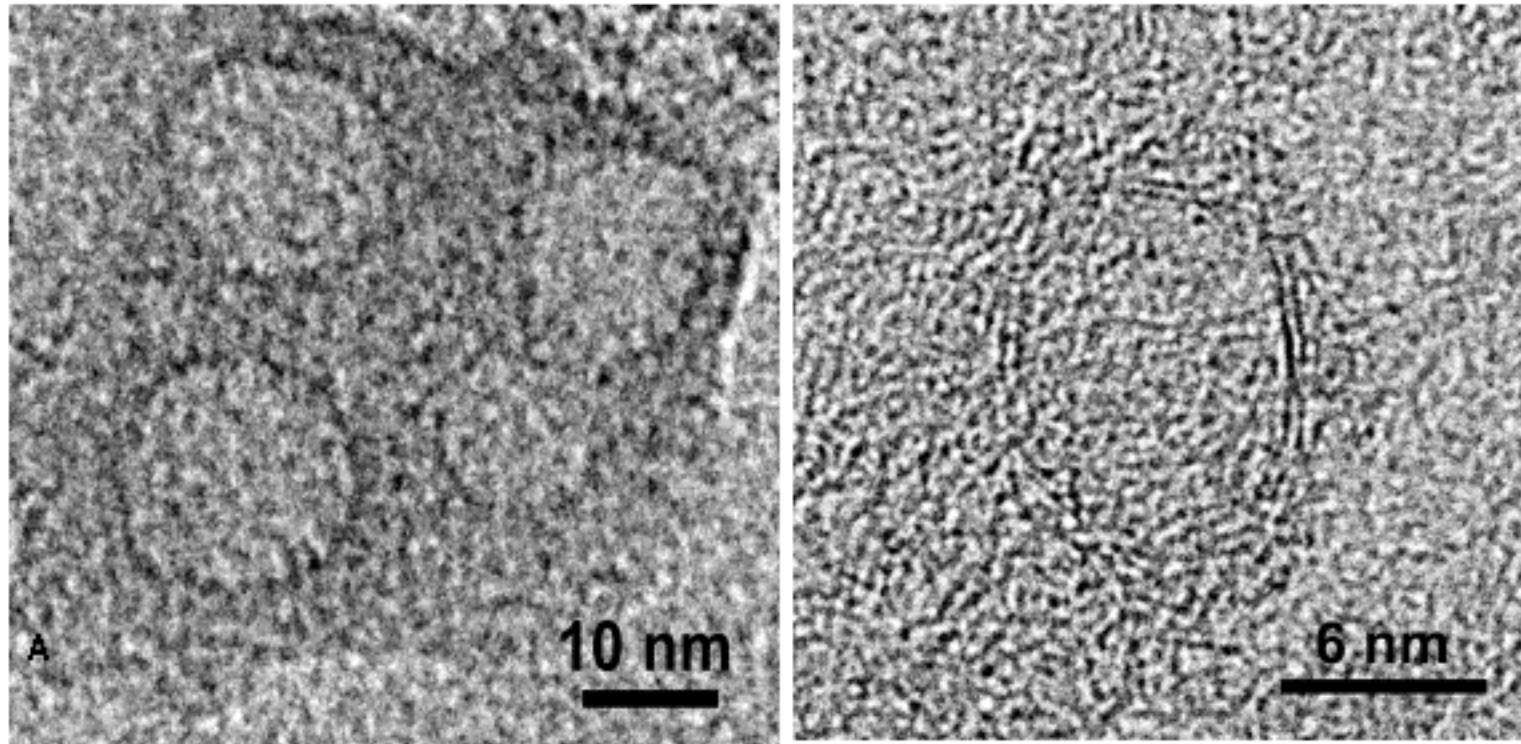
Down to 0.1 ppm

Adsorbed pesticides can be removed from solution  
2003

Molecular bottles



Carbon 2004



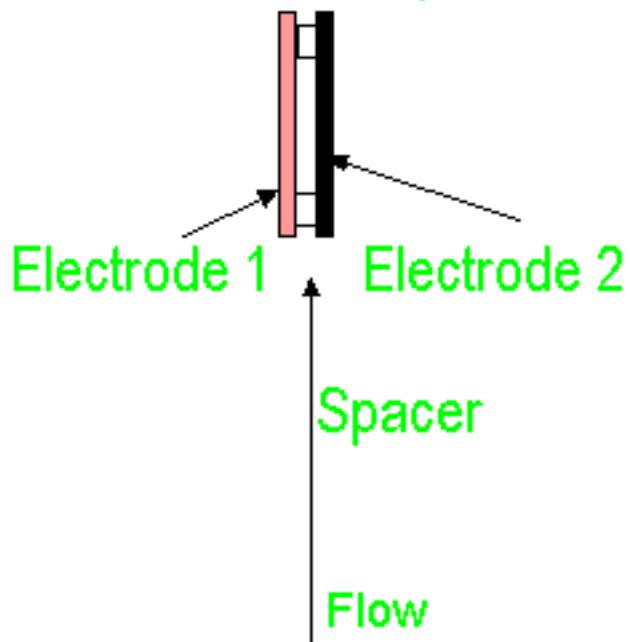
Ciprofloxacin@ $\text{SiO}_2$

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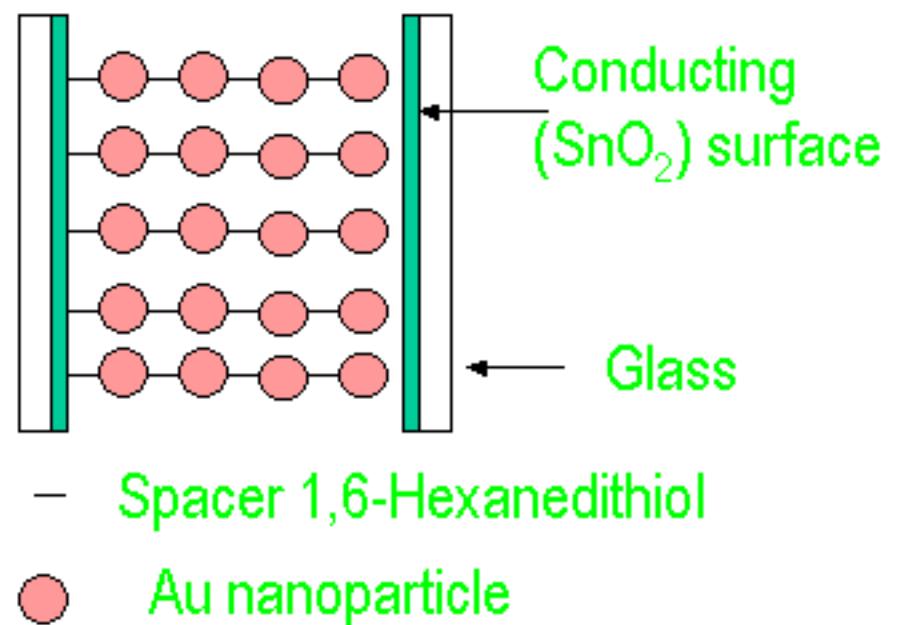
Sensors

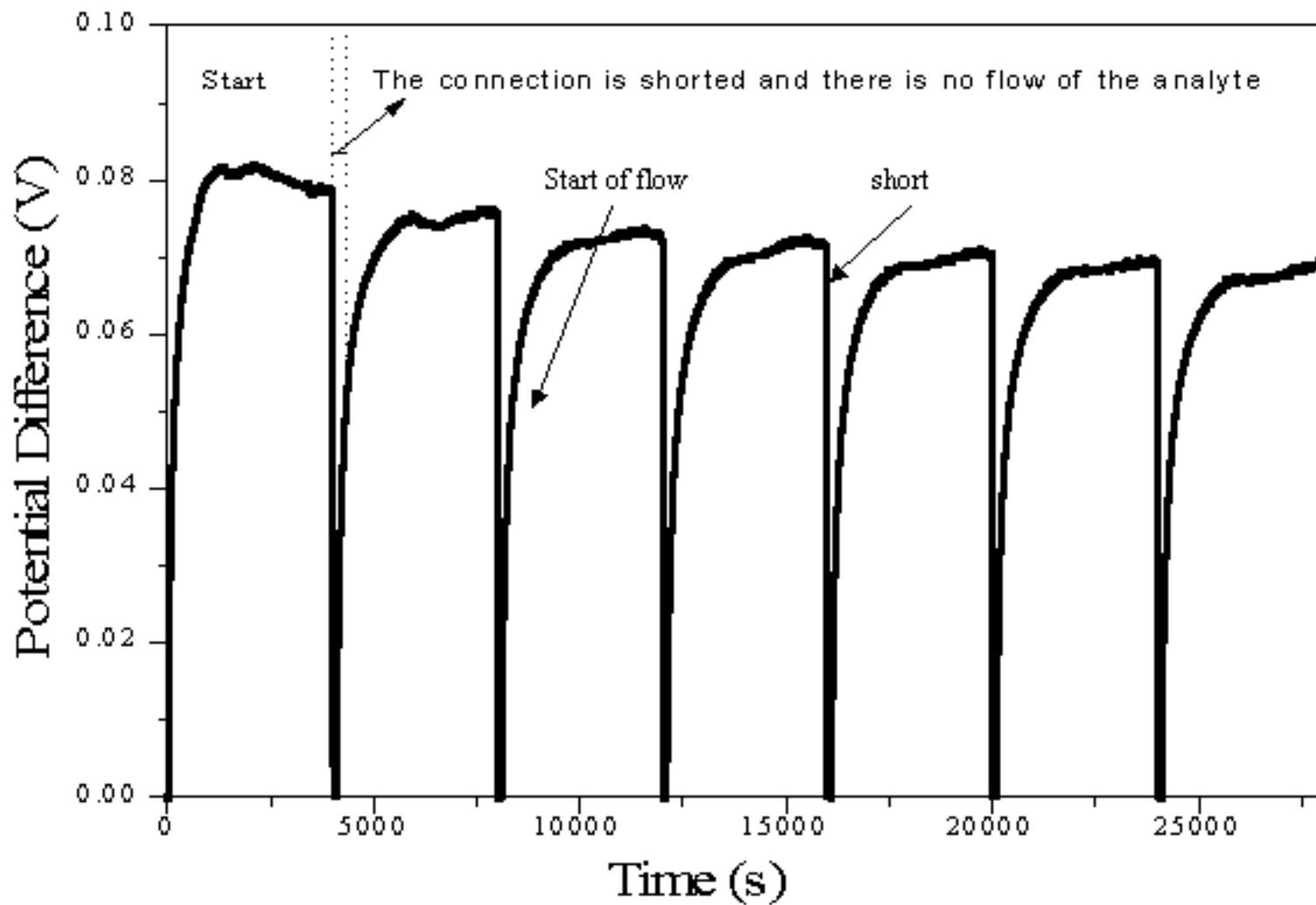
## Flow induced potential in nanoparticle arrays

**Sensor device (side view)**



**Schematic Representation**



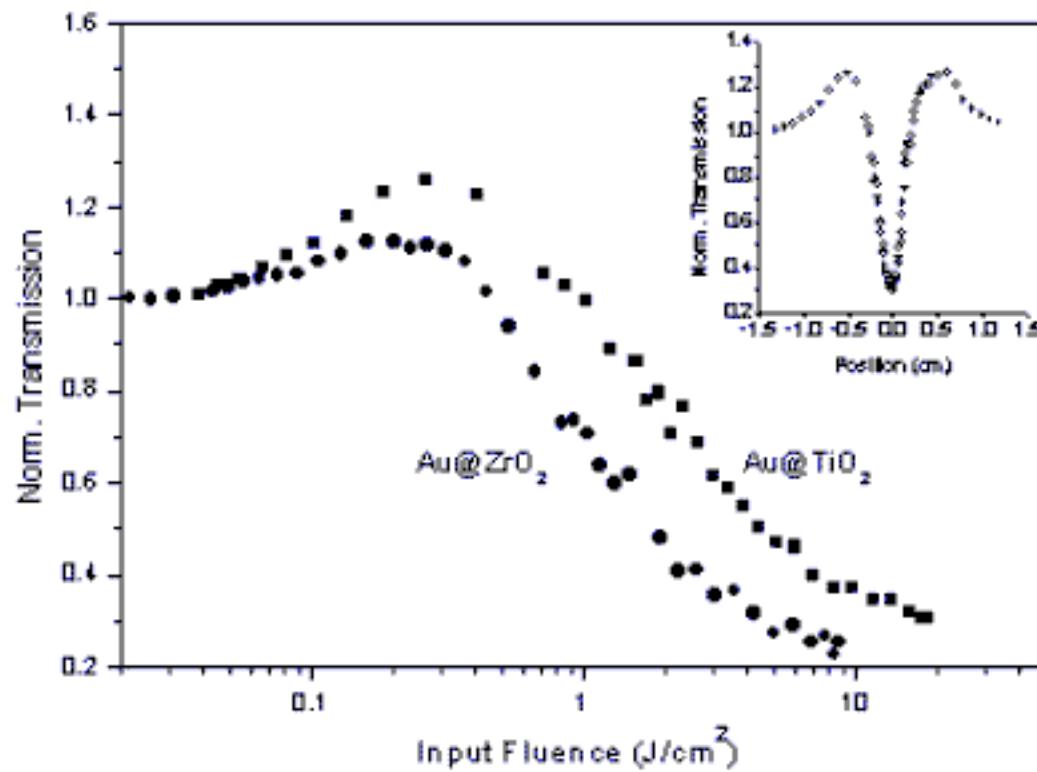
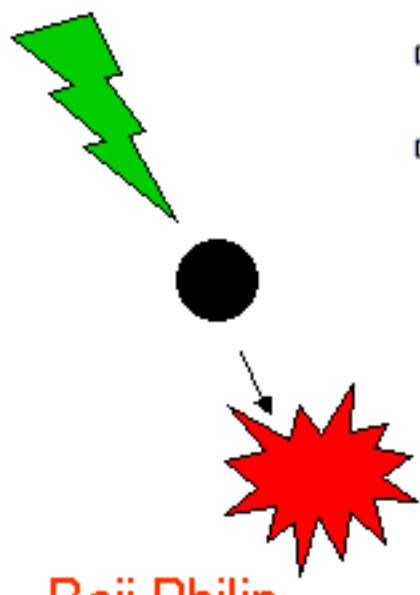


Plot of potential difference versus time for a flow rate of 500 cc/hr.

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Optical limiting



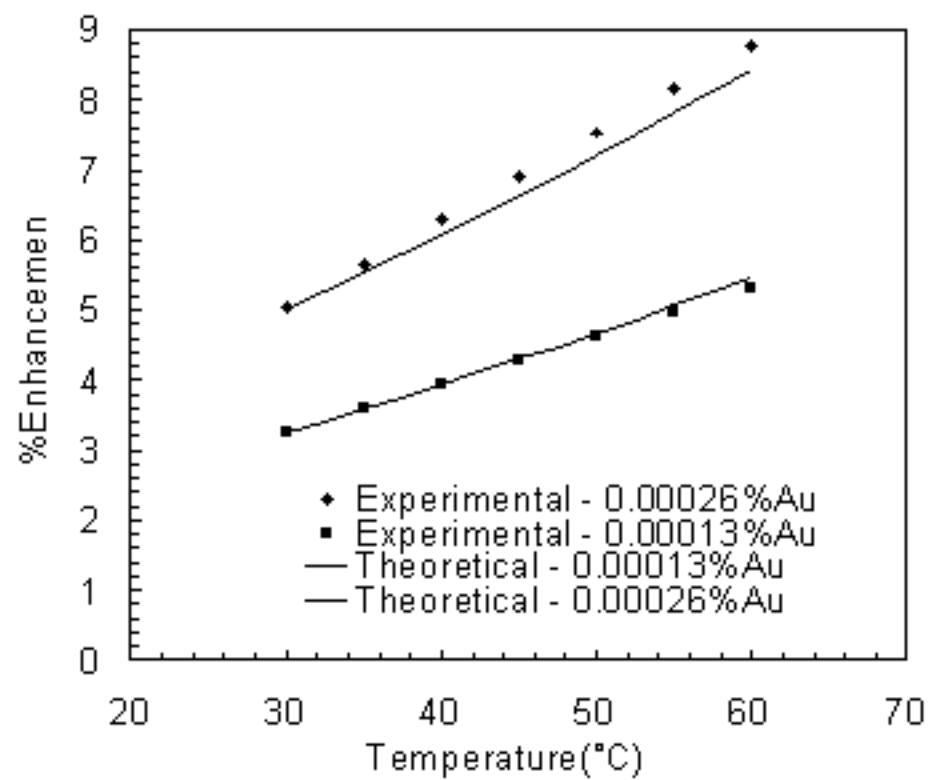
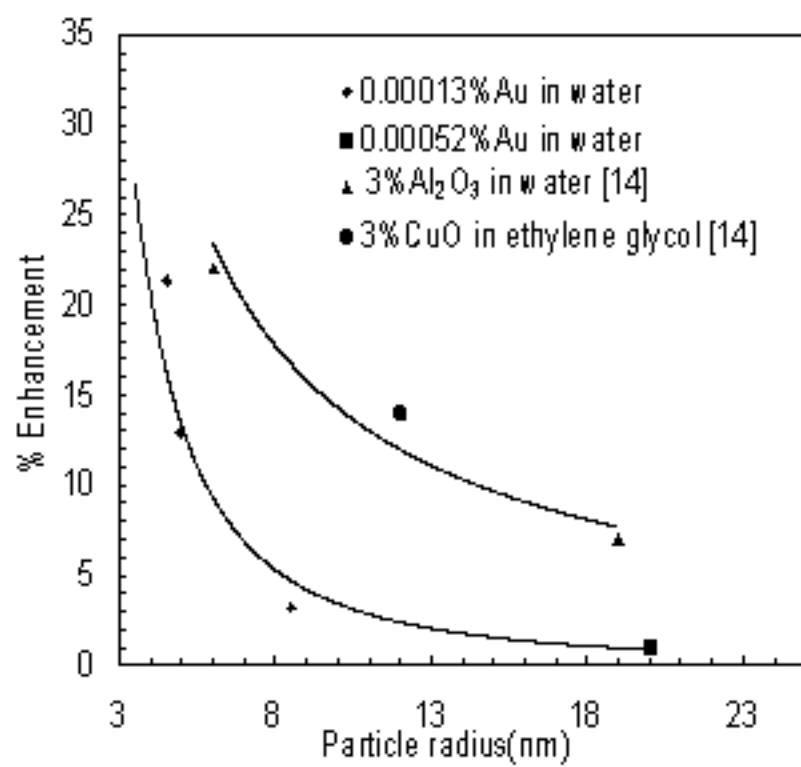
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## Thermal conductivity of nanofluids



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