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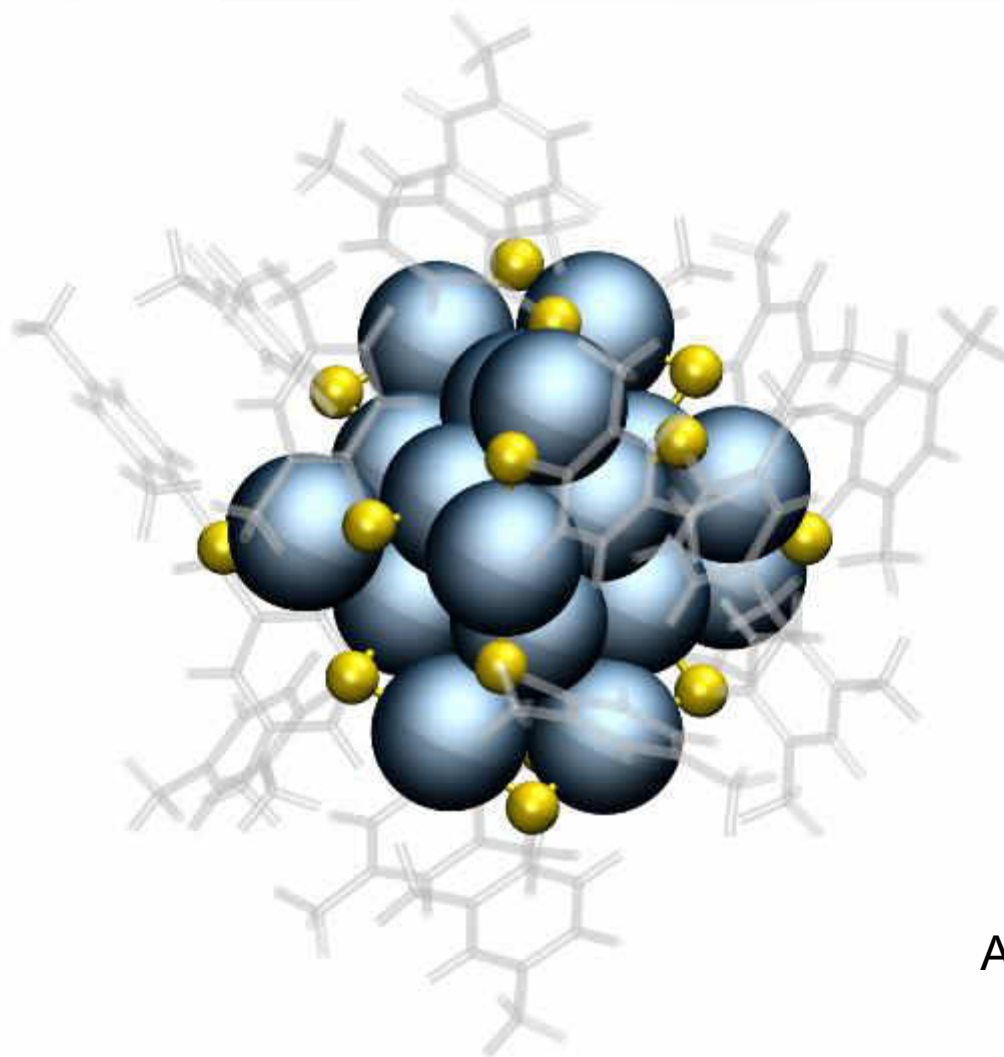


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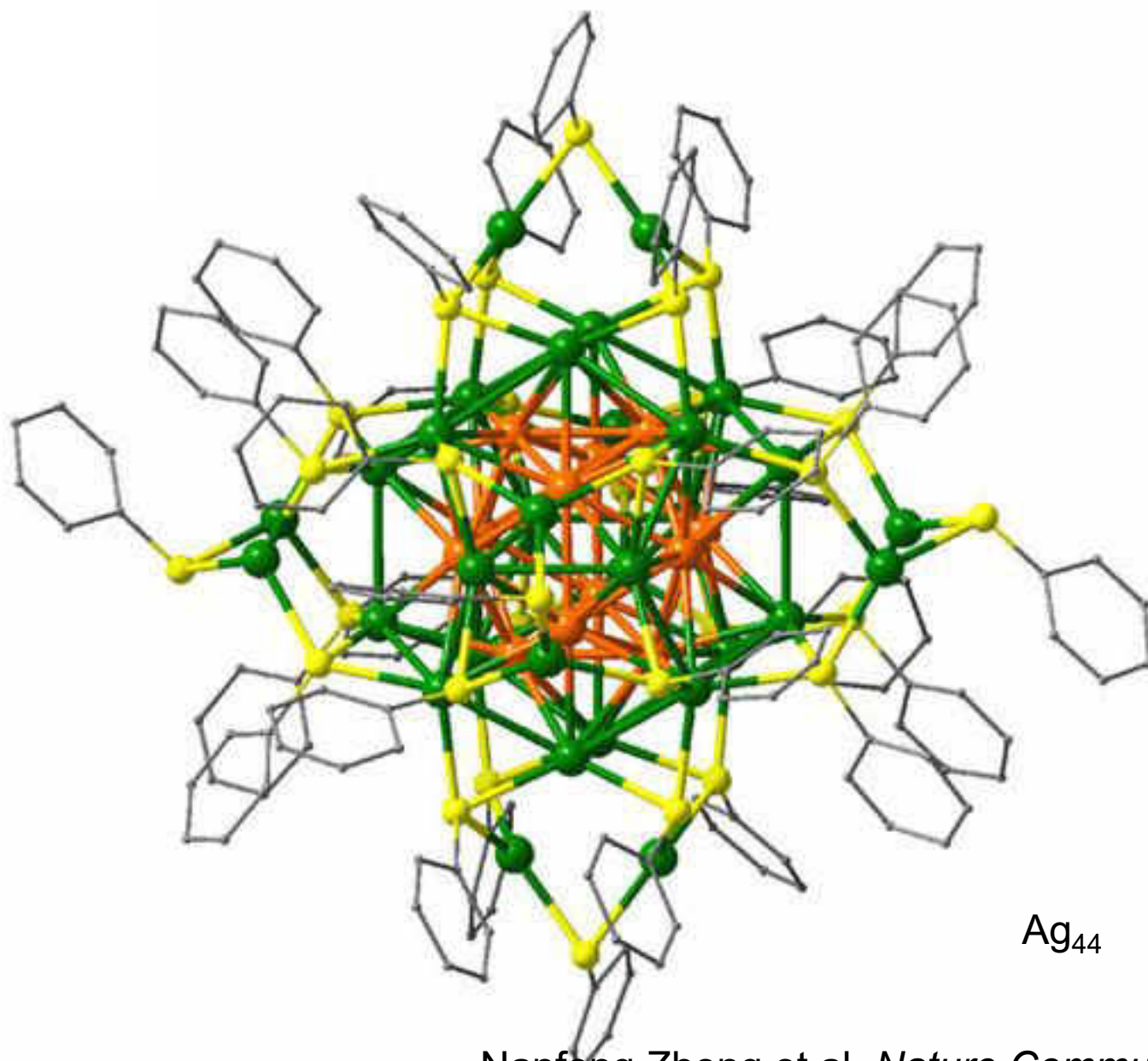


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New molecules

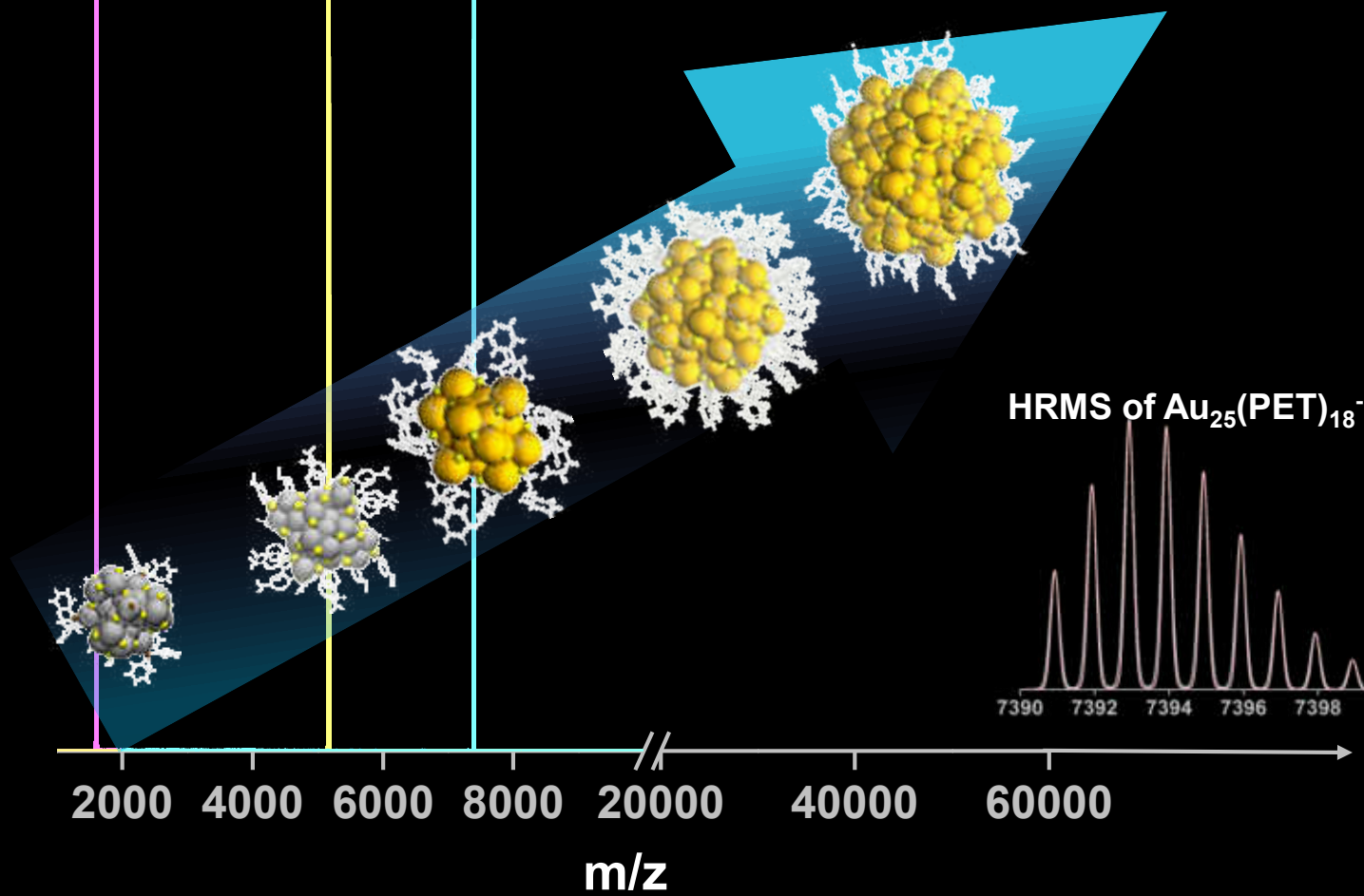


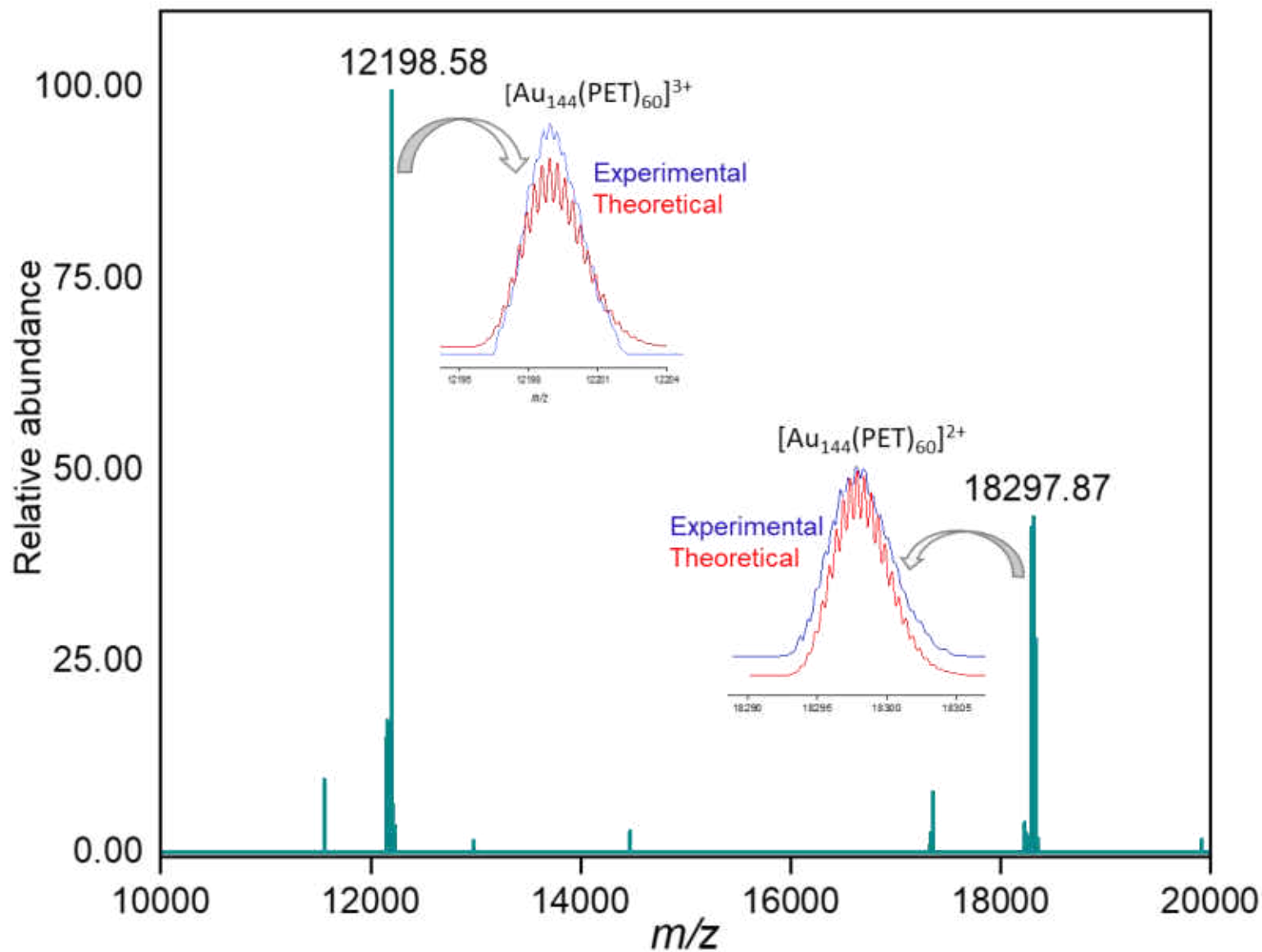
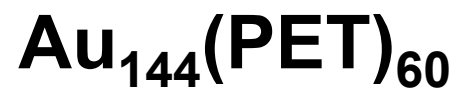
$\text{Au}_{25}, \text{Ag}_{25}, \text{Ag}_{29}$



Nanfeng Zheng et al. *Nature Communications*, 2013
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$\text{Ag}_{29}(\text{BDT})_{12}^{3-}$ $\text{Ag}_{25}(\text{DMBT})_{18}^{-}$ $\text{Au}_{25}(\text{PET})_{18}^{-}$

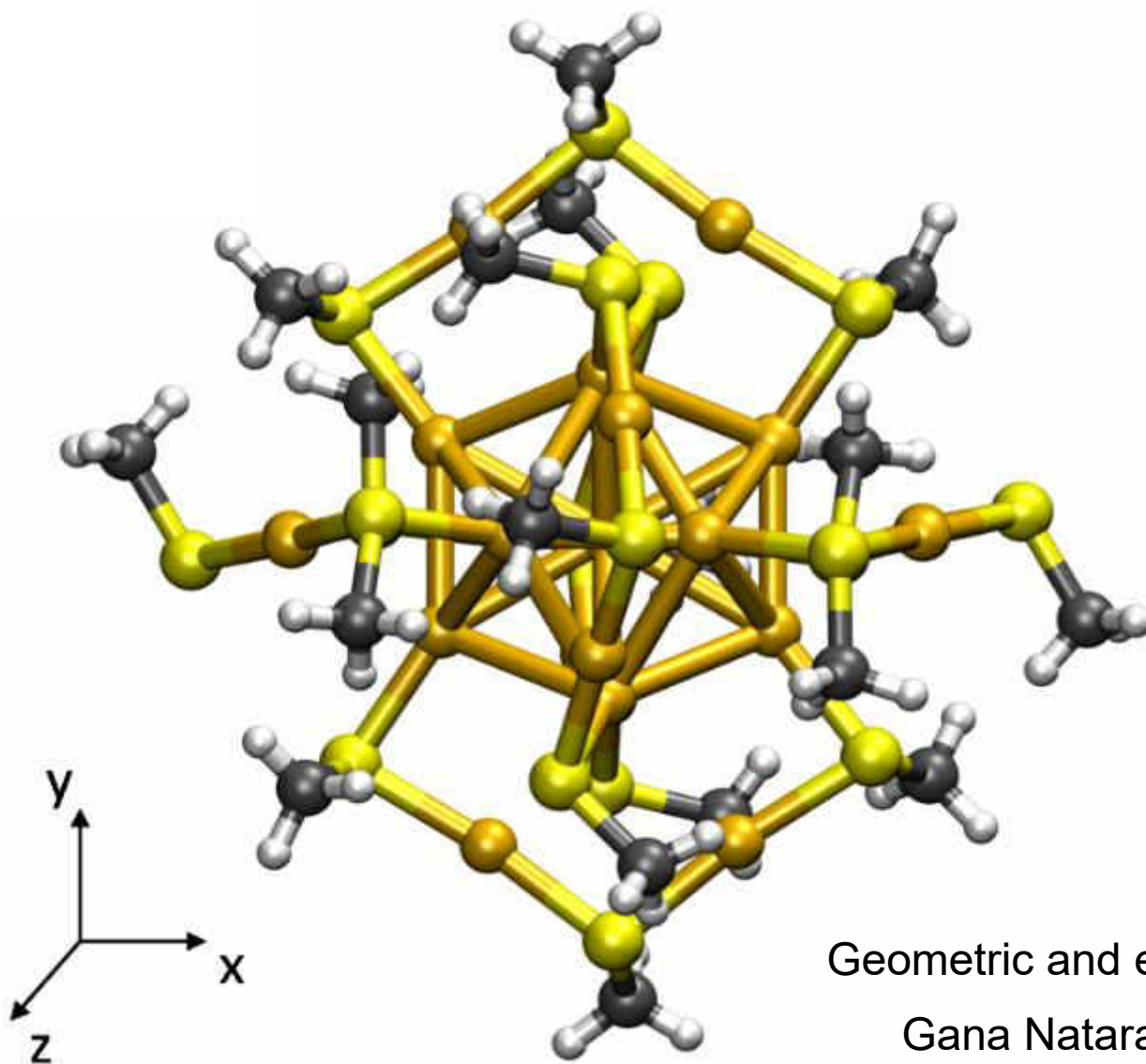




They make high quality crystals

50 μm

Molecular structure



Geometric and electronic shells

Gana Natarajan

Molecular materials

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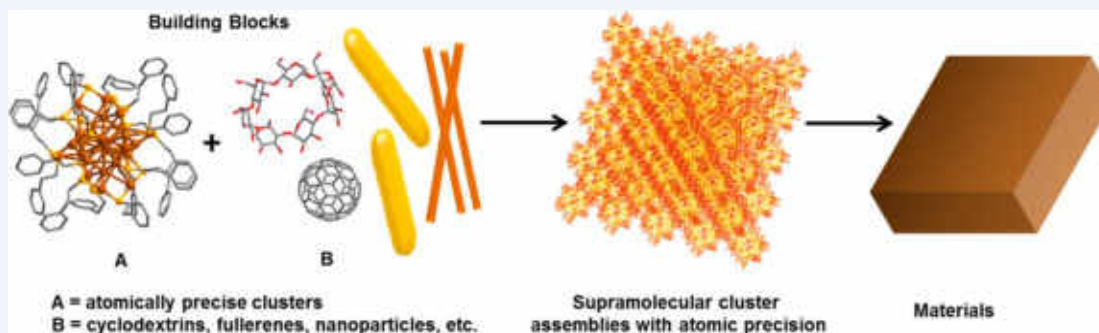
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Approaching Materials with Atomic Precision Using Supramolecular Cluster Assemblies

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Molecules and their properties

Chemical formula	H ₂ O
Molecular weight	18.0148
Critical temperature	373.91°C
Critical pressure	22.05 MPa
Critical density	315.0 kg/m ³
Triple point temperature	0.01°C
Triple point pressure	615.066 Pa
Normal boiling point	100.0°C
Normal freezing point	0.0°C
Density of ice at normal melting point	918.0 kg/m ³
Maximum density, 3.98°C	999.973 kg/m ³
Viscosity, 25°C	0.889 mN s/m ²
Surface tension, 25°C	72 mN/m
Heat Capacity, 25°C	4.1796 kJ/kg.K
Enthalpy of vaporisation, 100°C	2,257.7 kJ/kg
Enthalpy of fusion, 0°C	333.8 kJ/kg
Velocity of sound, 0°C	1.403 km/s
Dielectric constant, 25°C	78.40
Electrical conductivity, 25°C	8 µS/m
Refractive index, 25°C	1.333
Liquid compressibility, 10°C	480. × 10 ⁻¹² m ² /N
Coefficient of thermal expansion, 25°C	256.32 × 10 ⁻⁶ K ⁻¹
Thermal Conductivity, 25°C	0.608 W/m.K

Molecular formula

Molecular weight

Molecular structure

Molecular absorption and emission

Molecular reactions

Molecular assembly

Molecular co-crystals

Ionization potential

Electron affinity

Phases - phase transitions

Physical properties

Electrical, magnetic

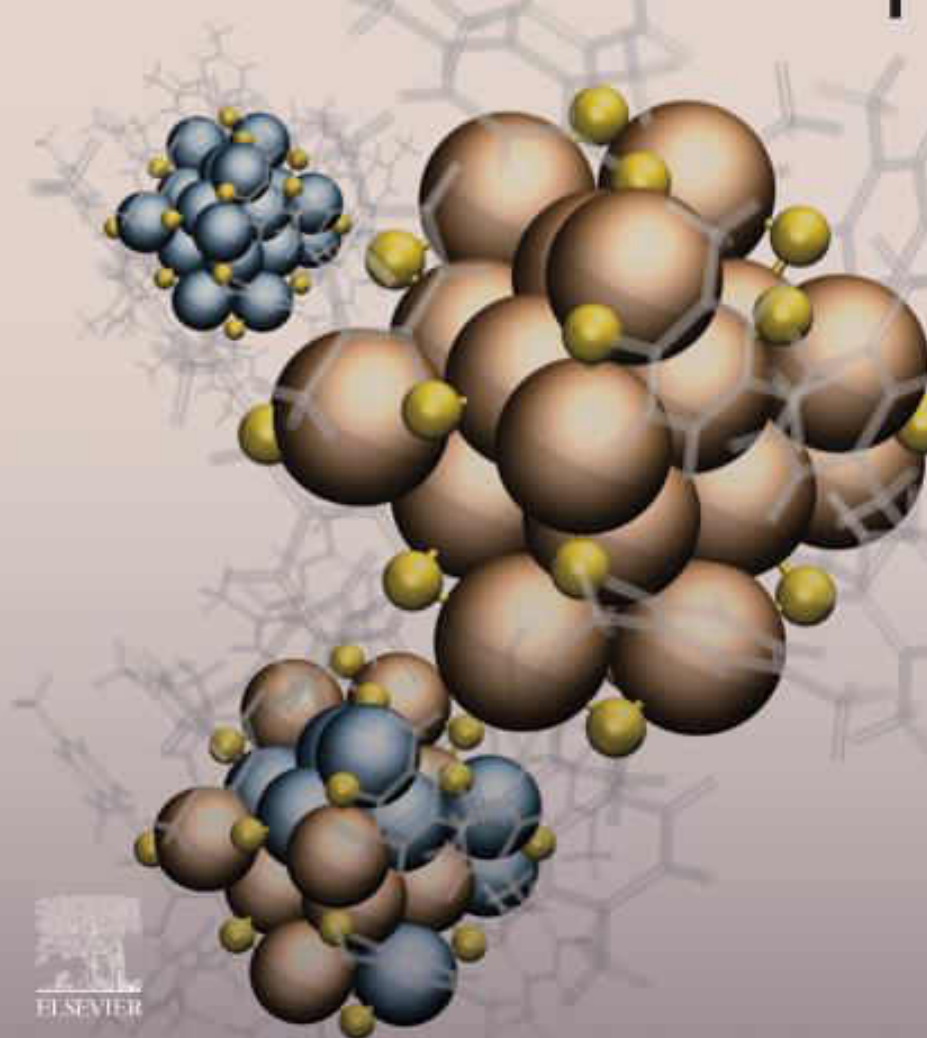
Mechanical properties

Electrochemical properties

Future?

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Molecular reactions



Reactions on clusters
Reactions between clusters

Inter-cluster reactions




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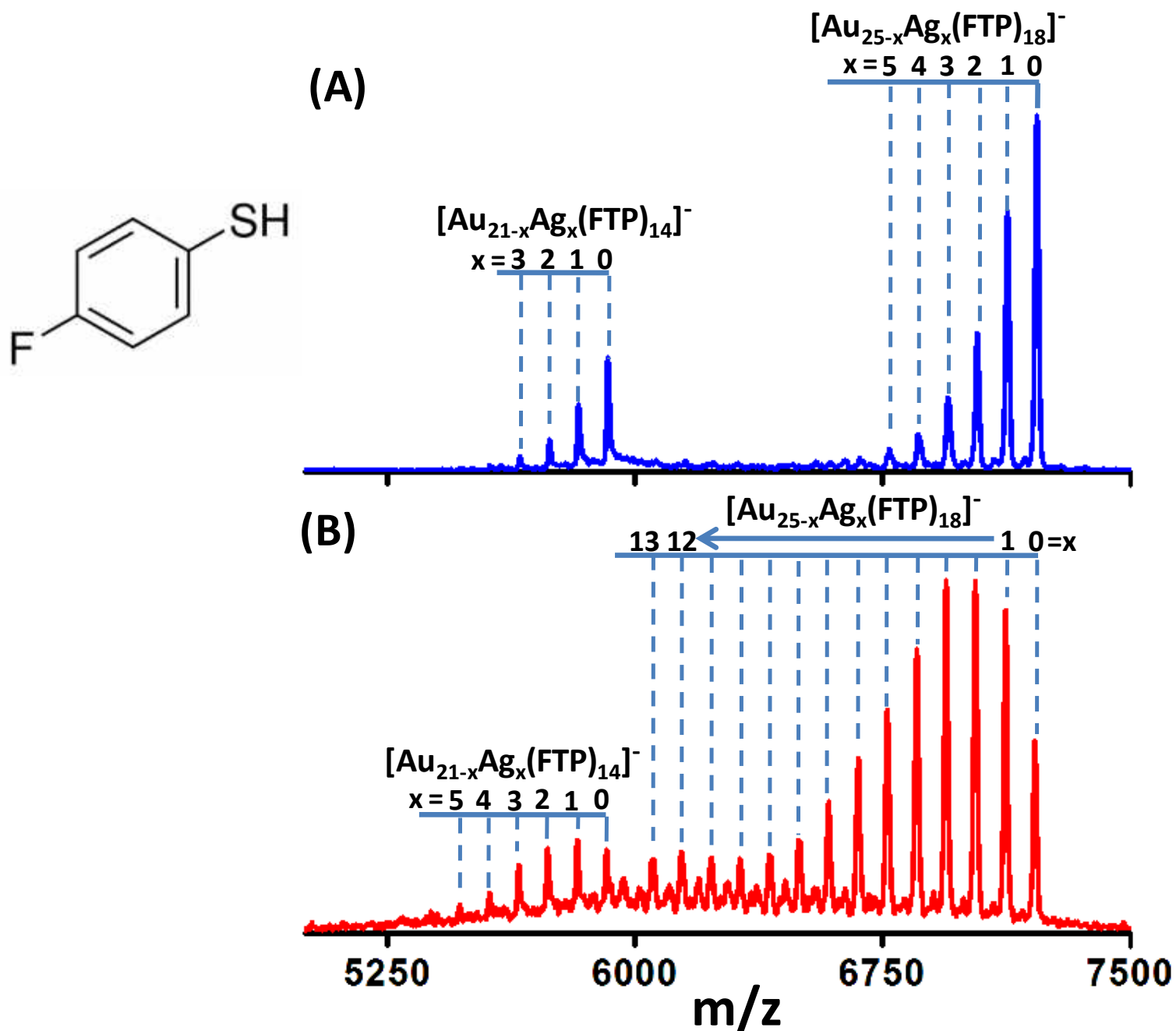
Intercluster Reactions between $\text{Au}_{25}(\text{SR})_{18}$ and $\text{Ag}_{44}(\text{SR})_{30}$

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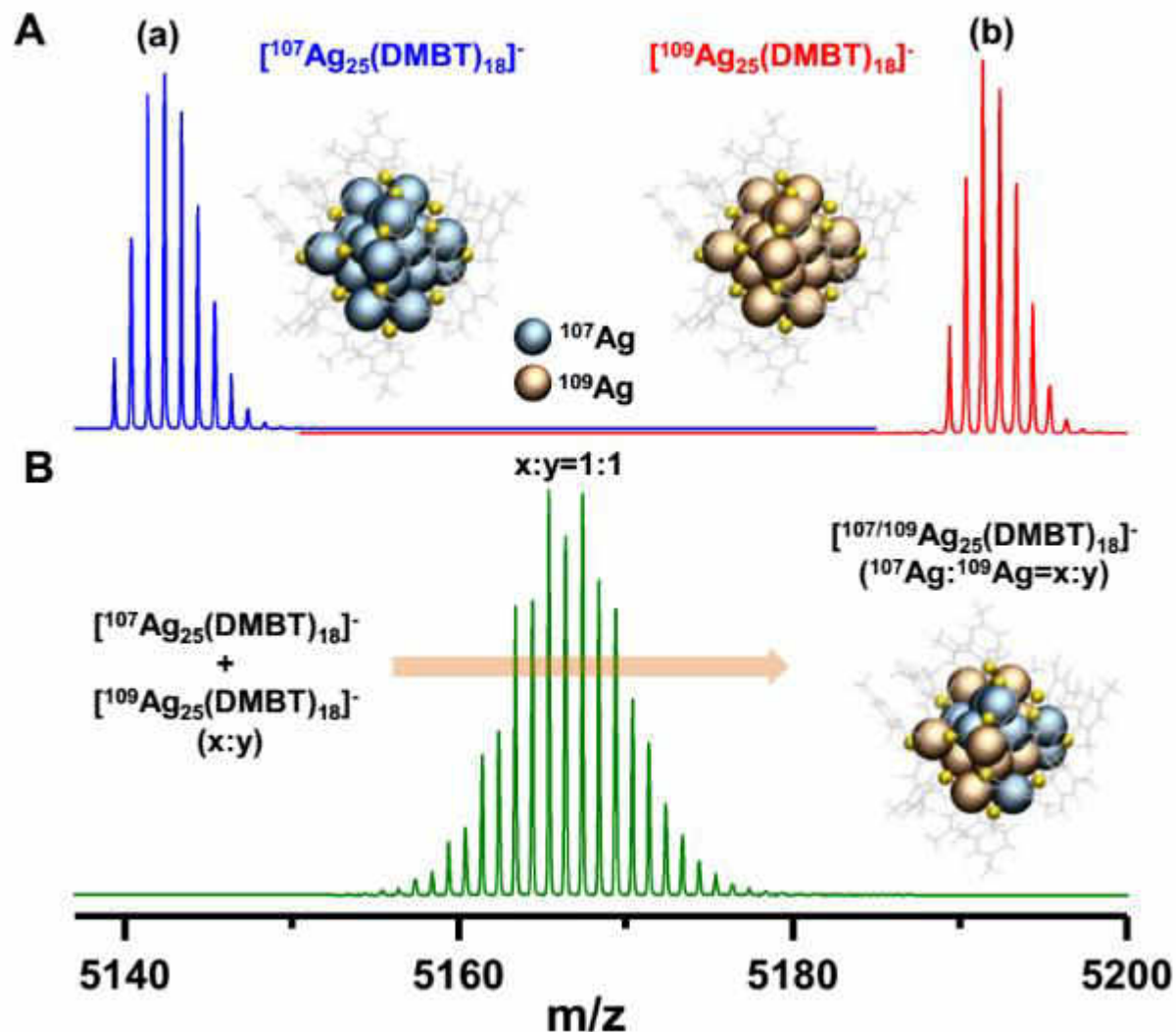
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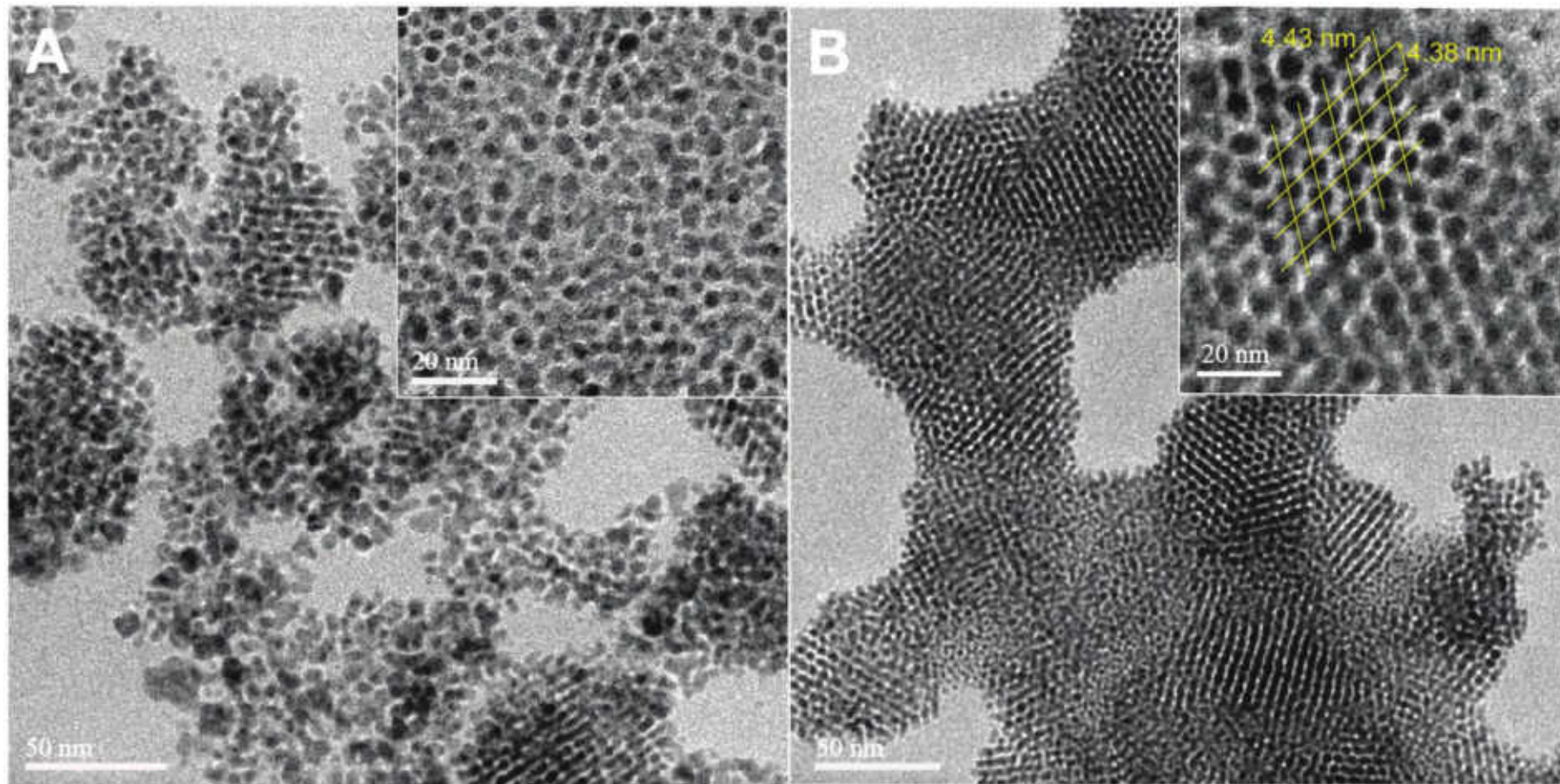




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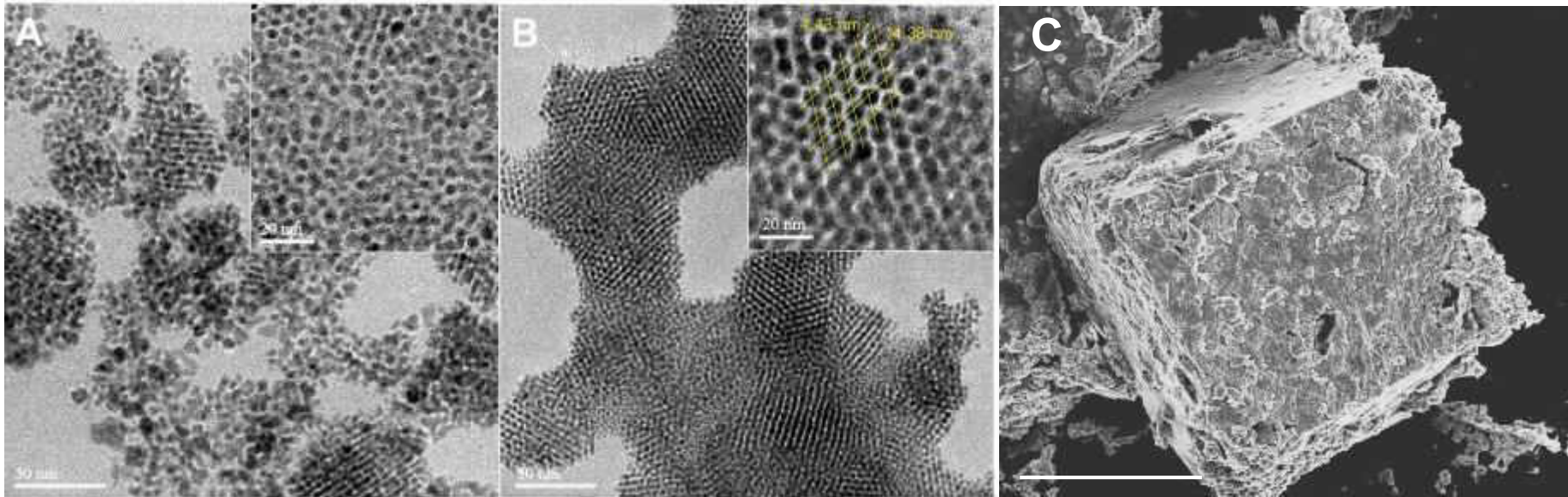
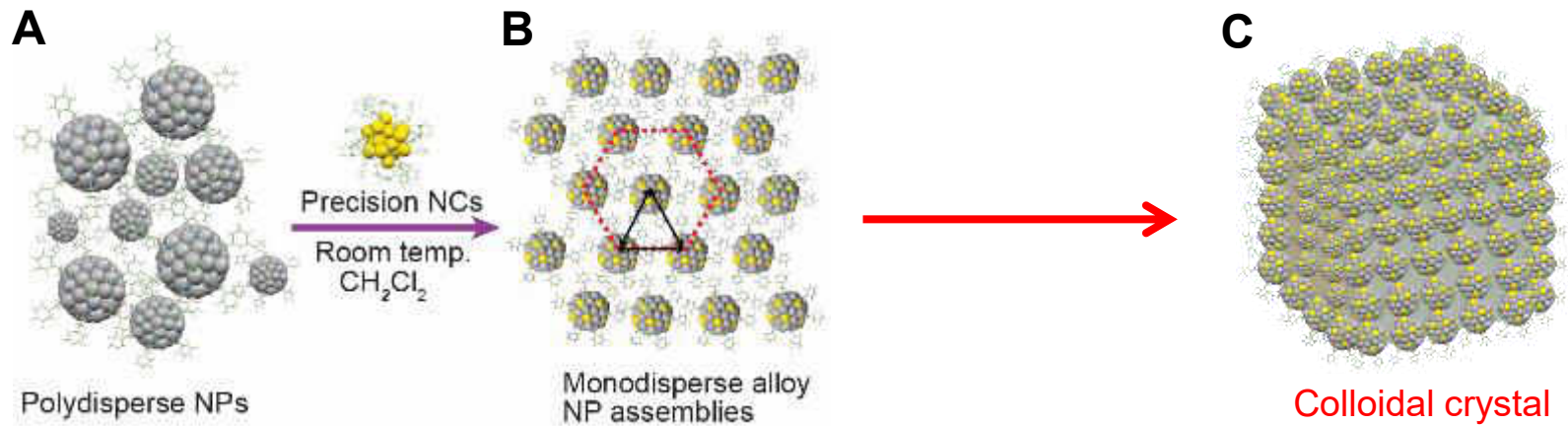


Chemistry in bulk

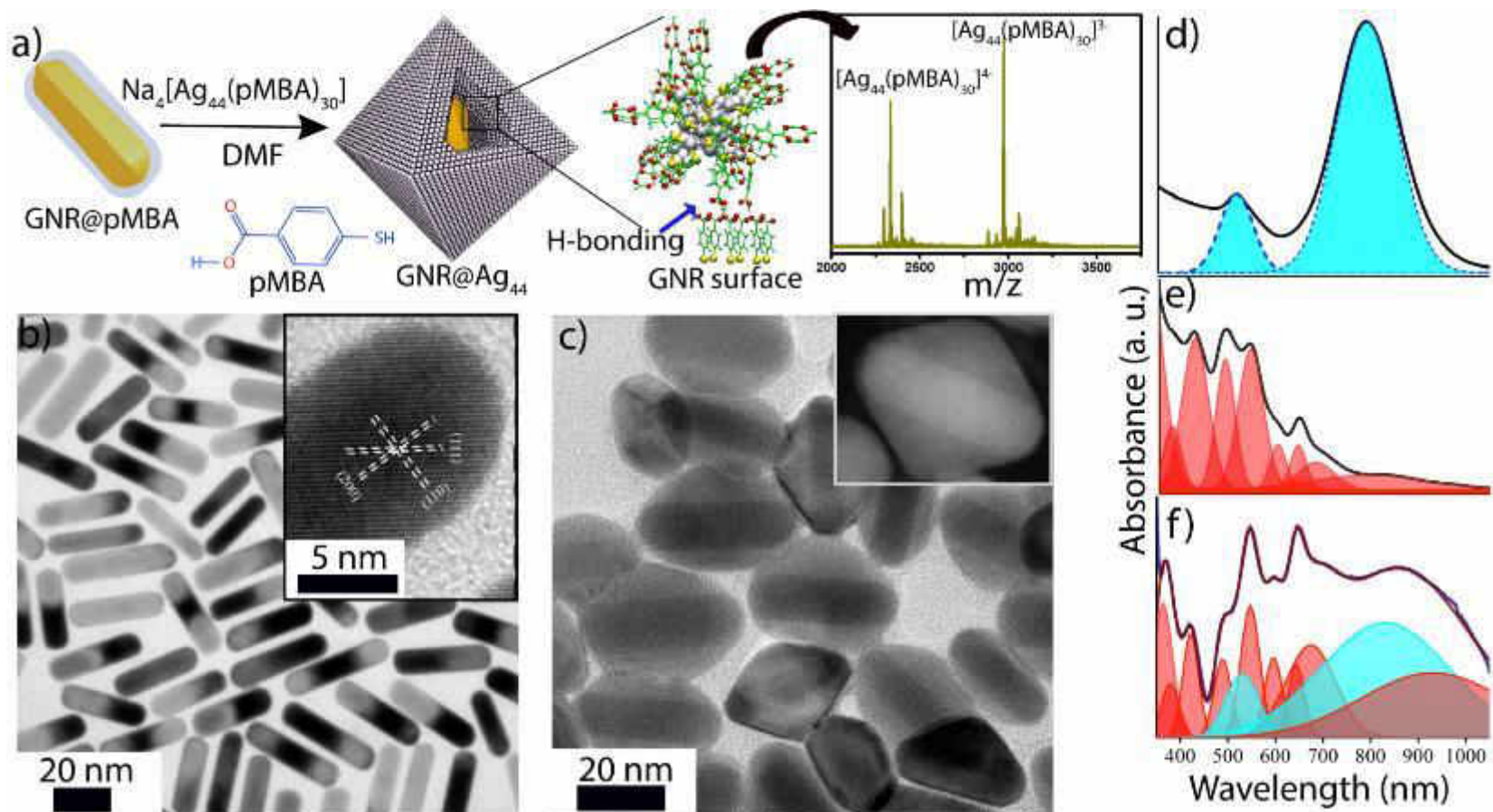


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Crystallization of AgAu NP

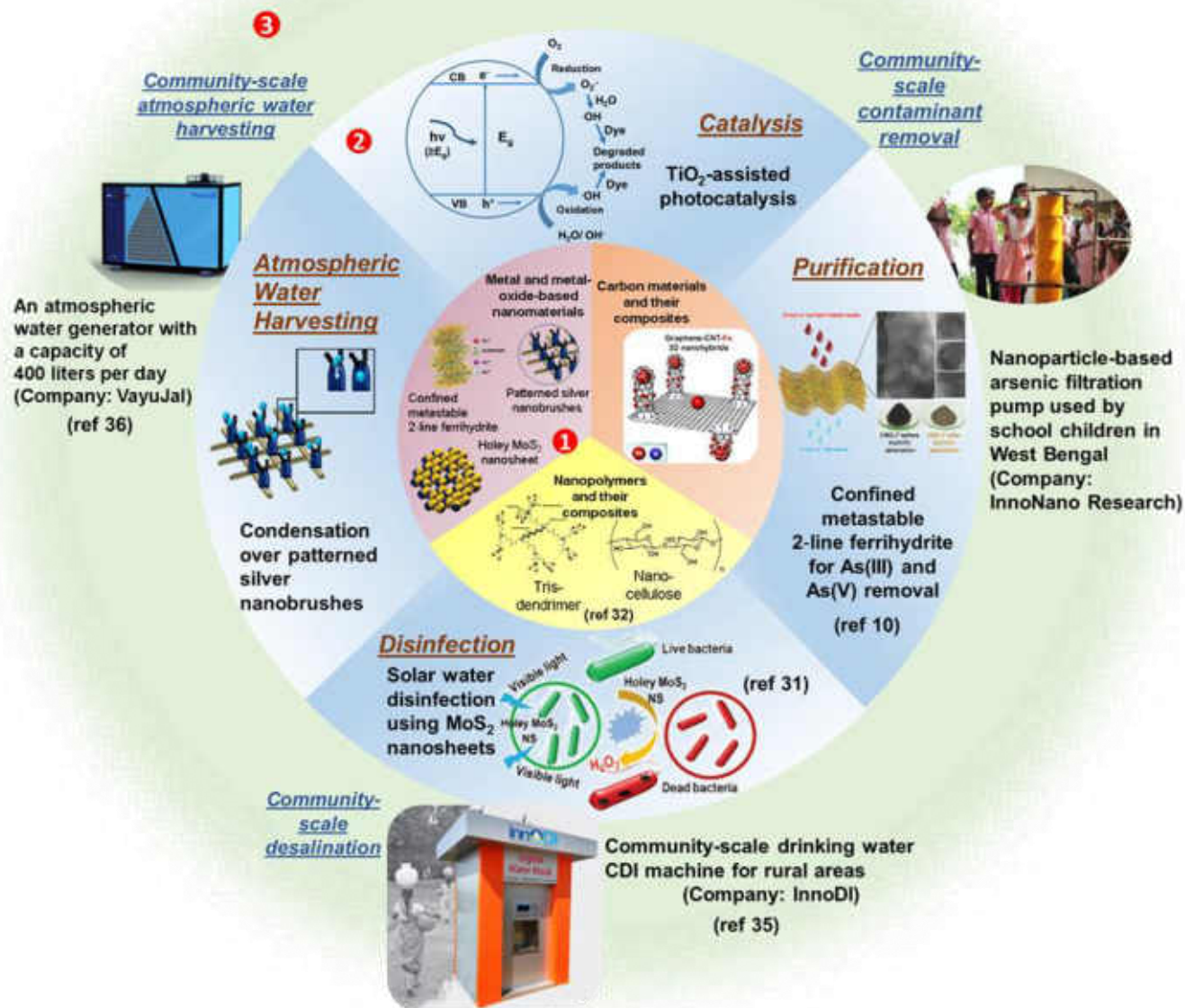


Atomically precise nanocluster assemblies encapsulating plasmonic gold nanorods



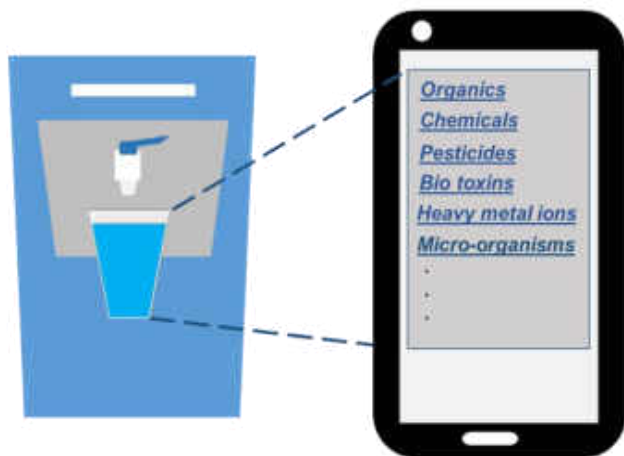
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Evolution of materials to products



Smart water purifiers and big data

Smart Water Purifiers linked to IoT



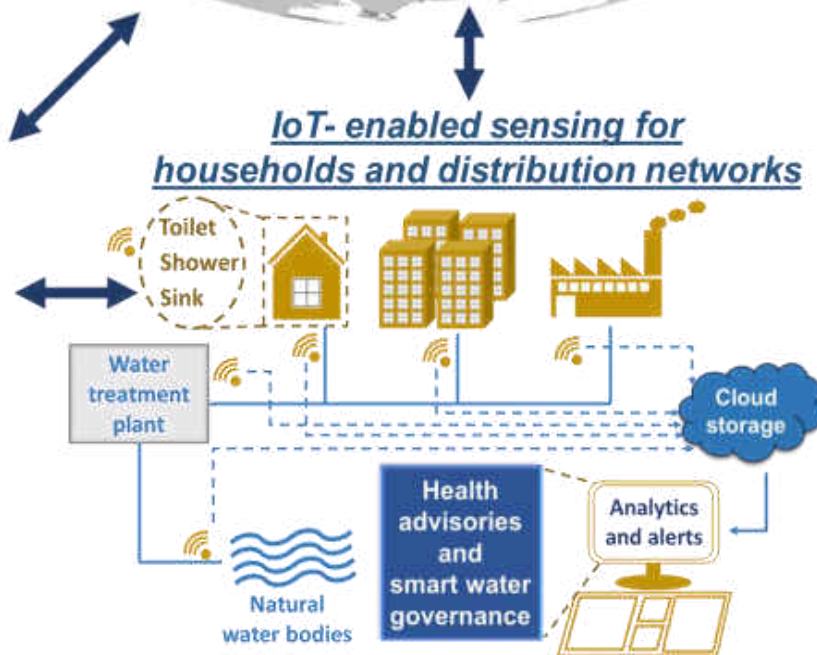
Cost-effective sensor accessory for point-of-use applications



Global Map of Water Health



IoT-enabled sensing for households and distribution networks

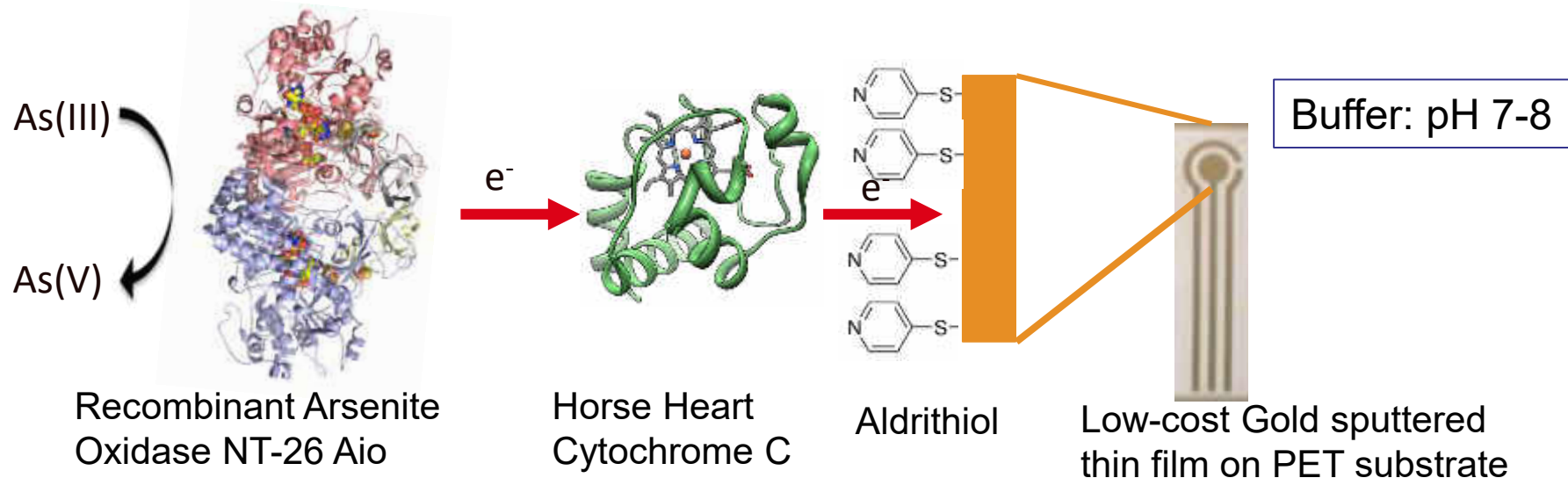


Translation to industry

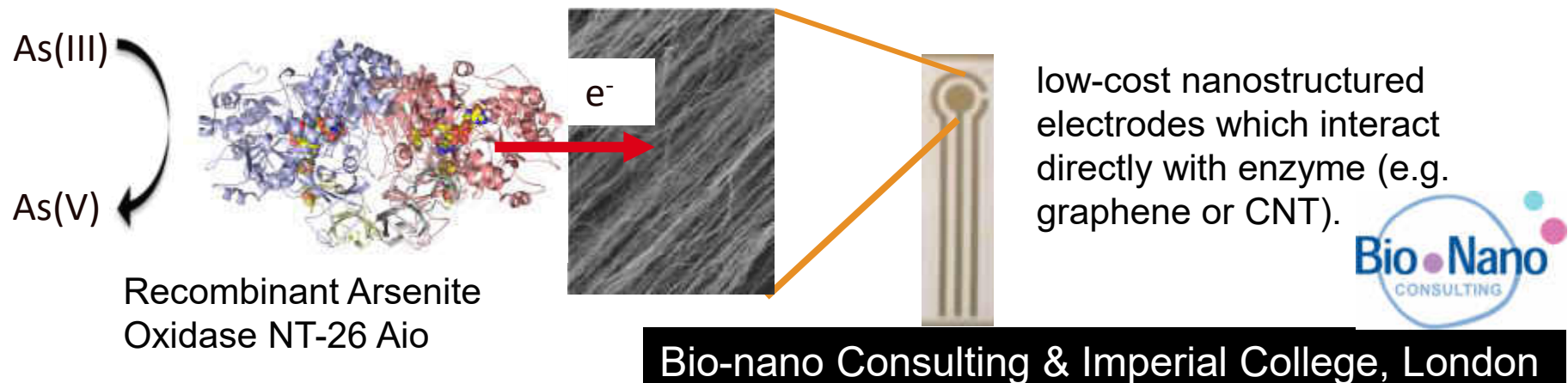


Biosensor Design

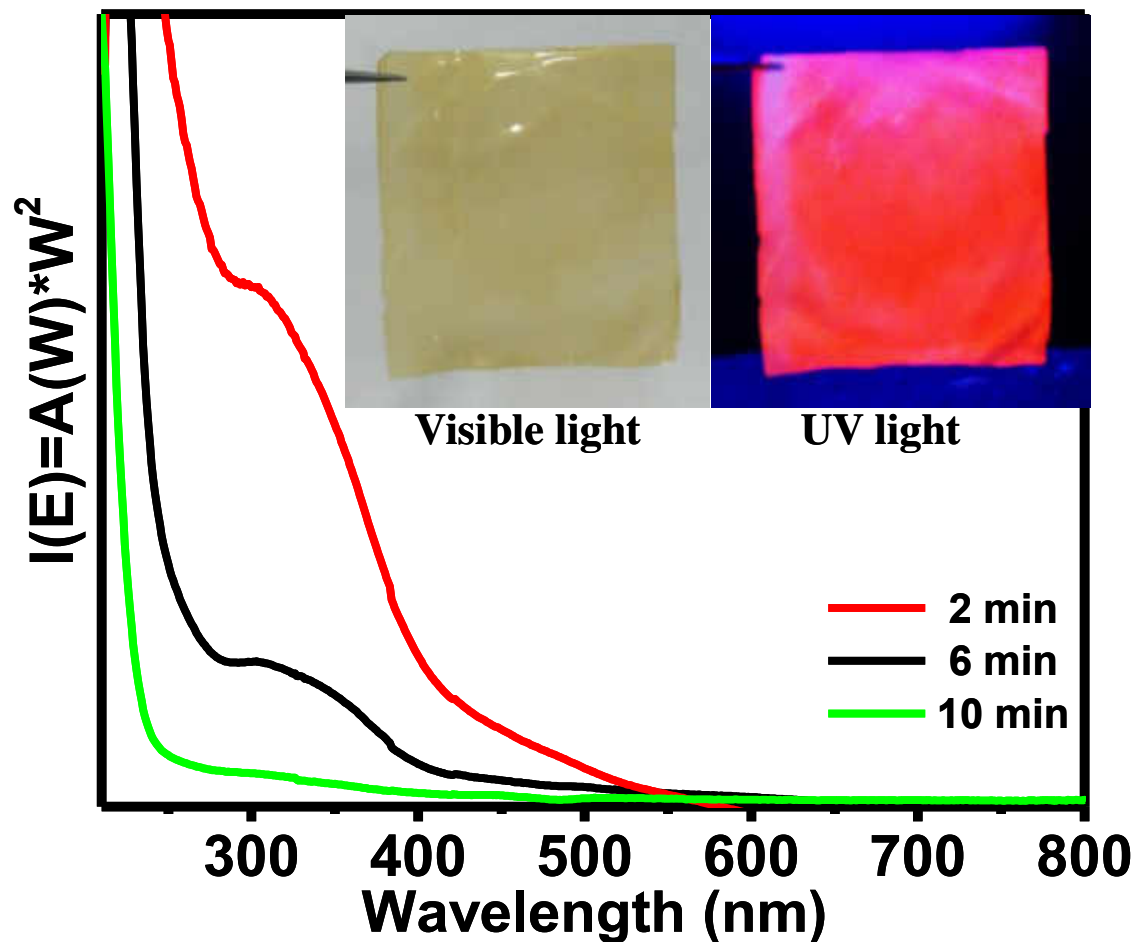
1st Generation Design (Mediated Electrochemistry)



2nd Generation Design (Direct Electron Transfer)

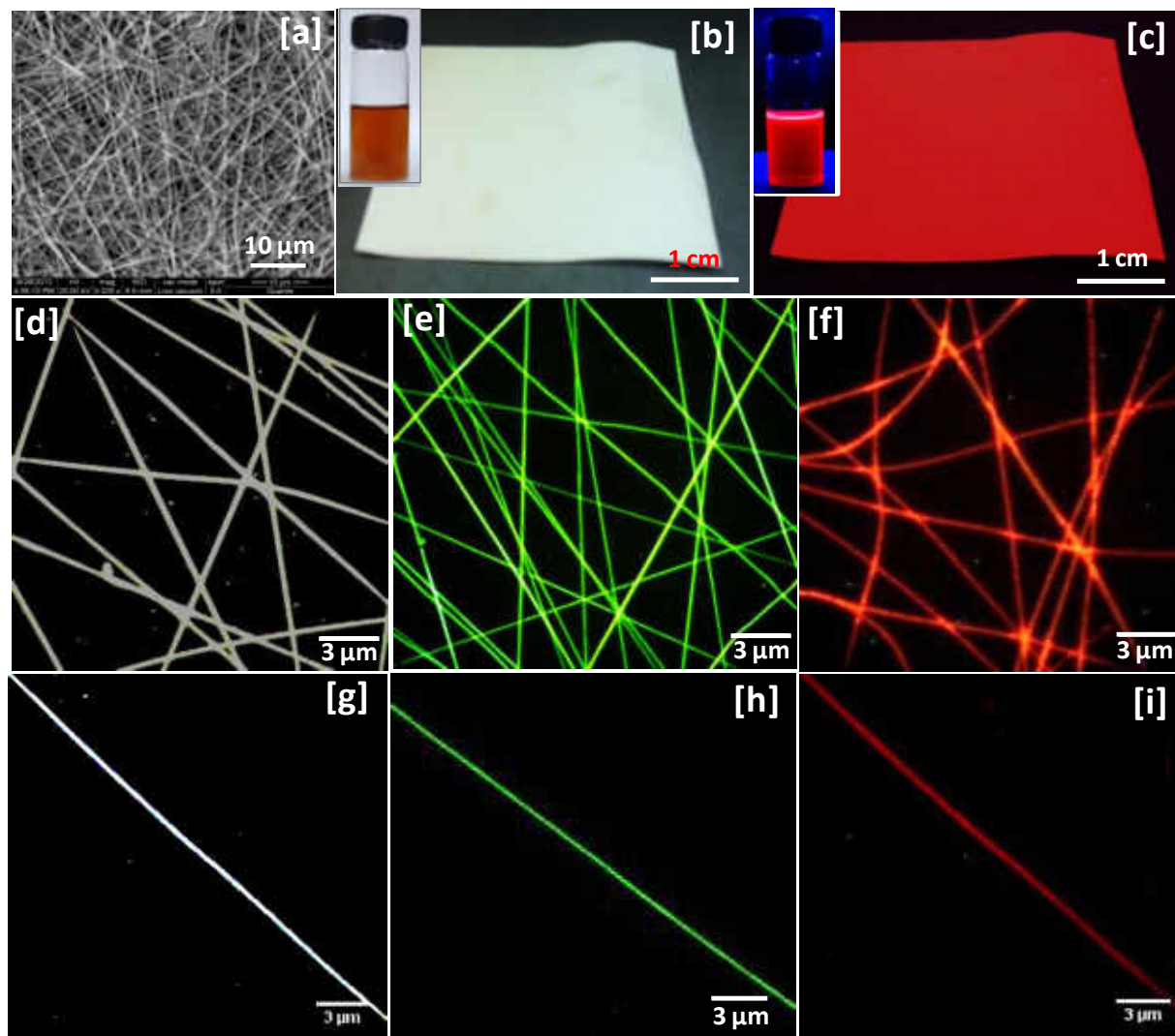


Cluster-based metal ion sensing

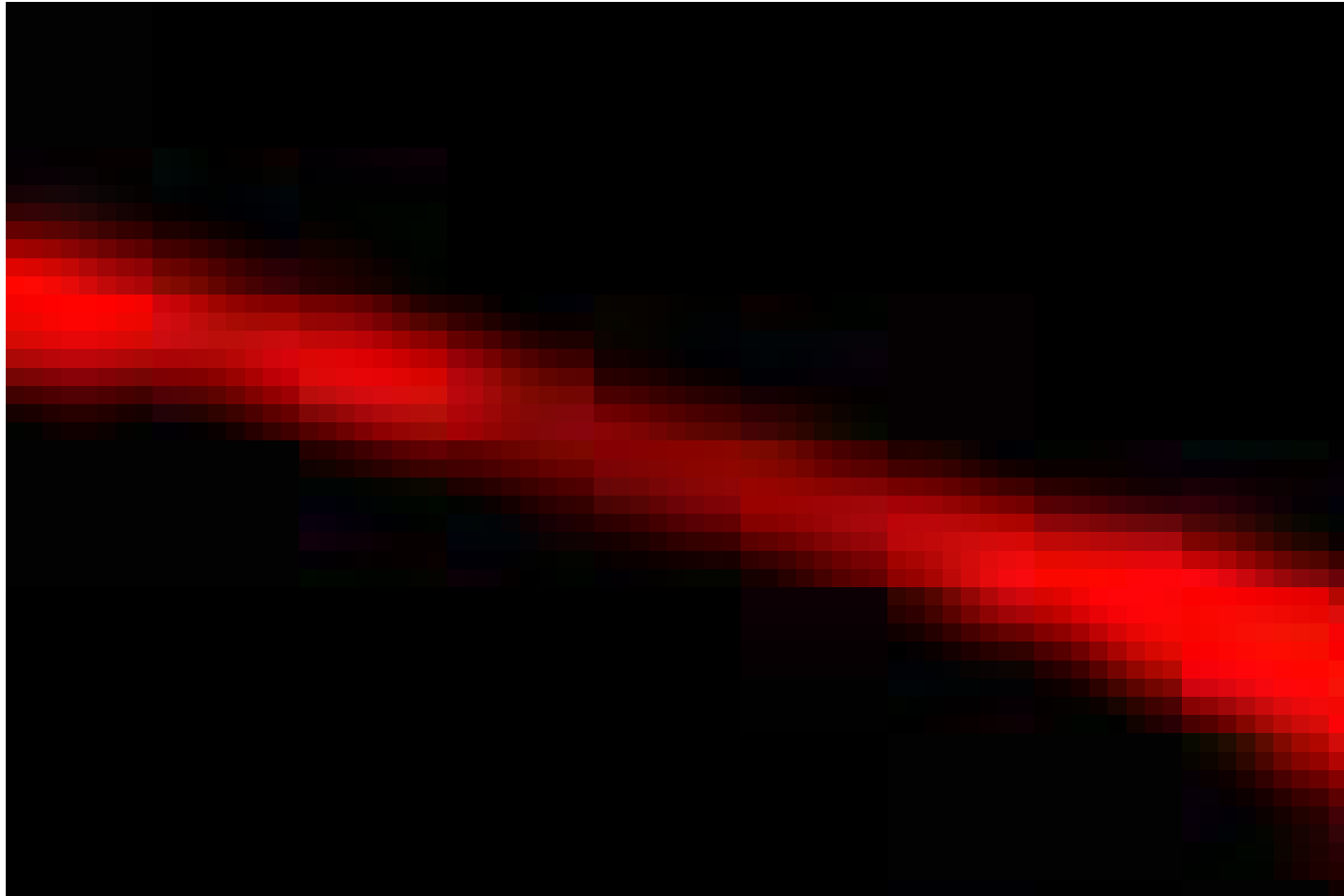


Decrease in the absorption of Au_{15} as a biofilm is dipped into the cluster solution. Inset: Free standing quantum cluster loaded film in visible light and UV light.

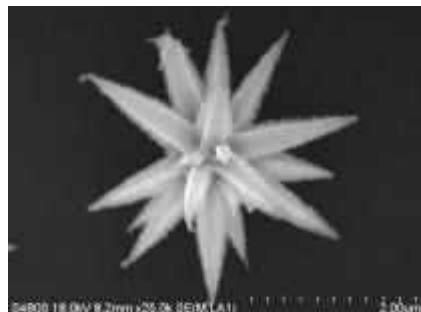
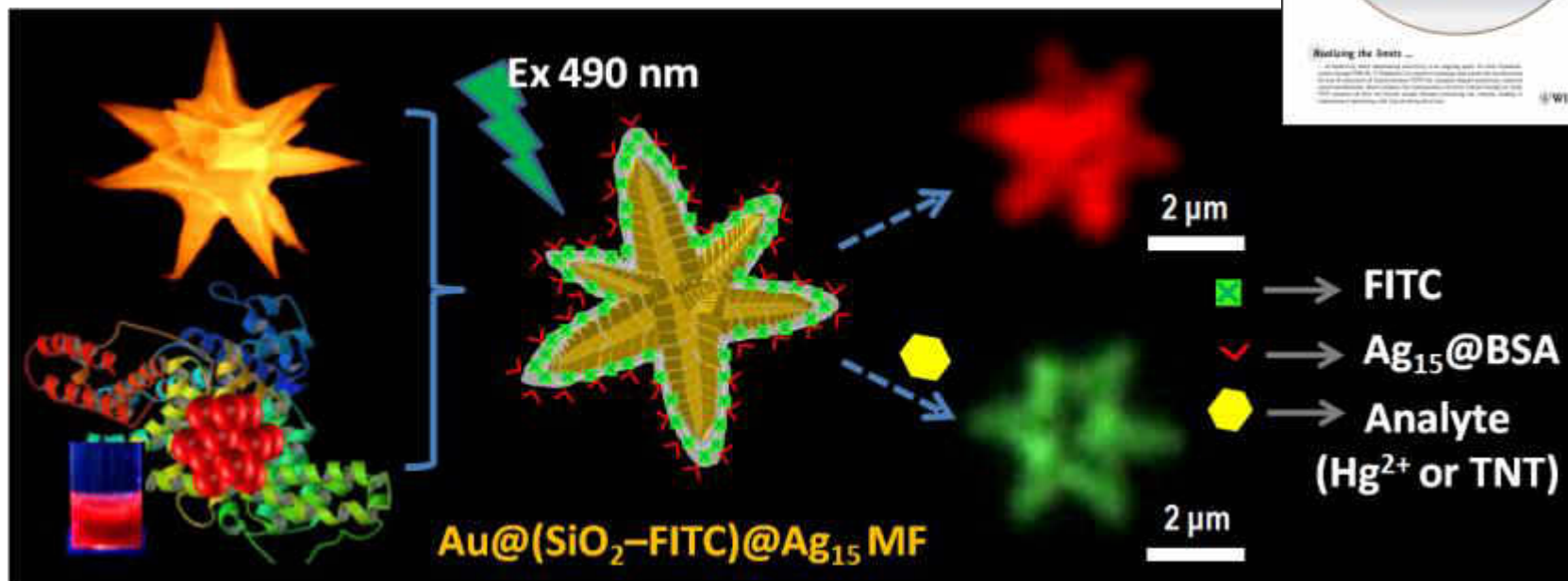
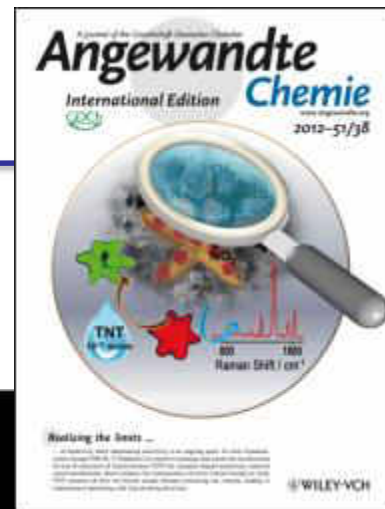
Approaching detection limits of tens of Hg^{2+}



Mercury quenching experiment using nanofiber



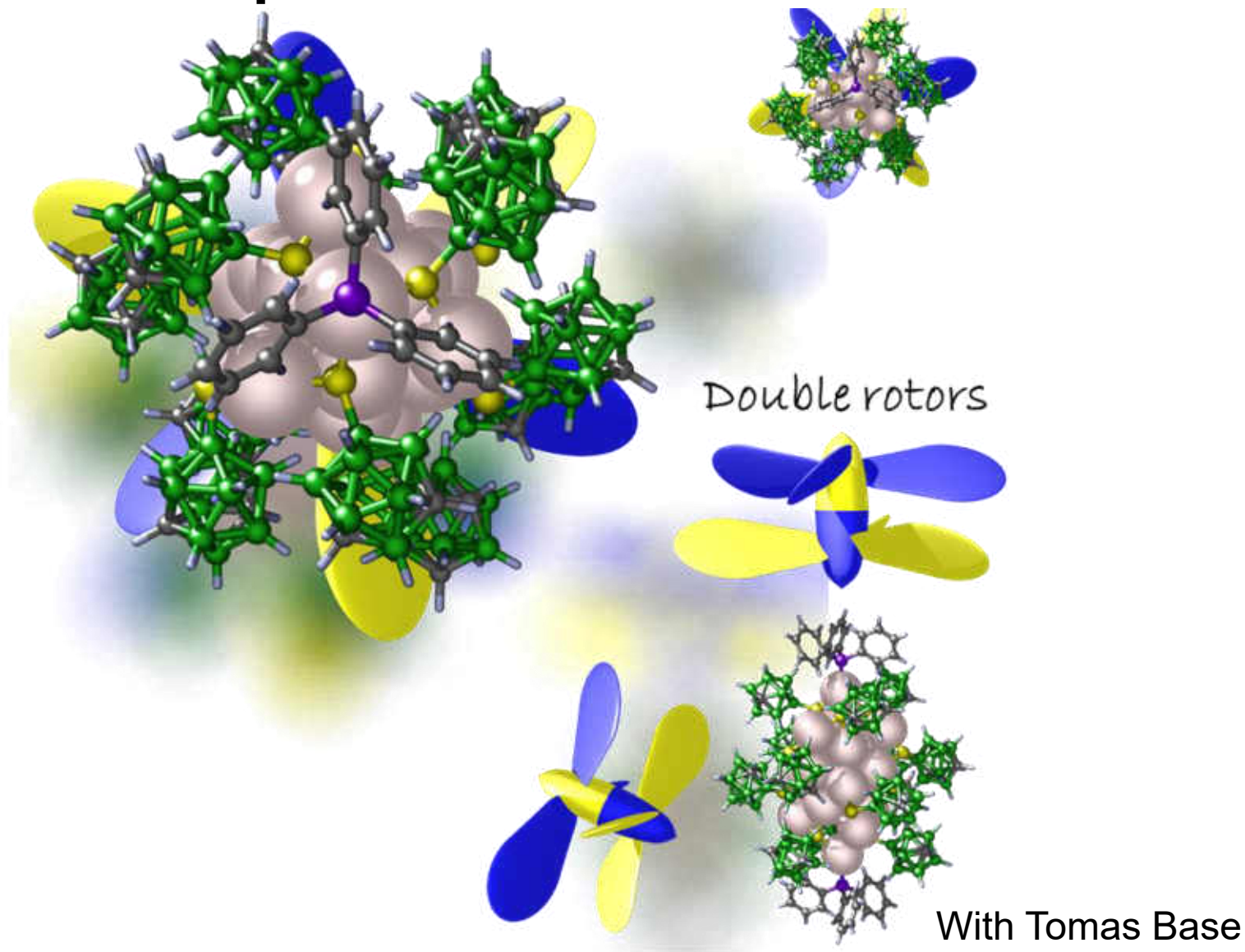
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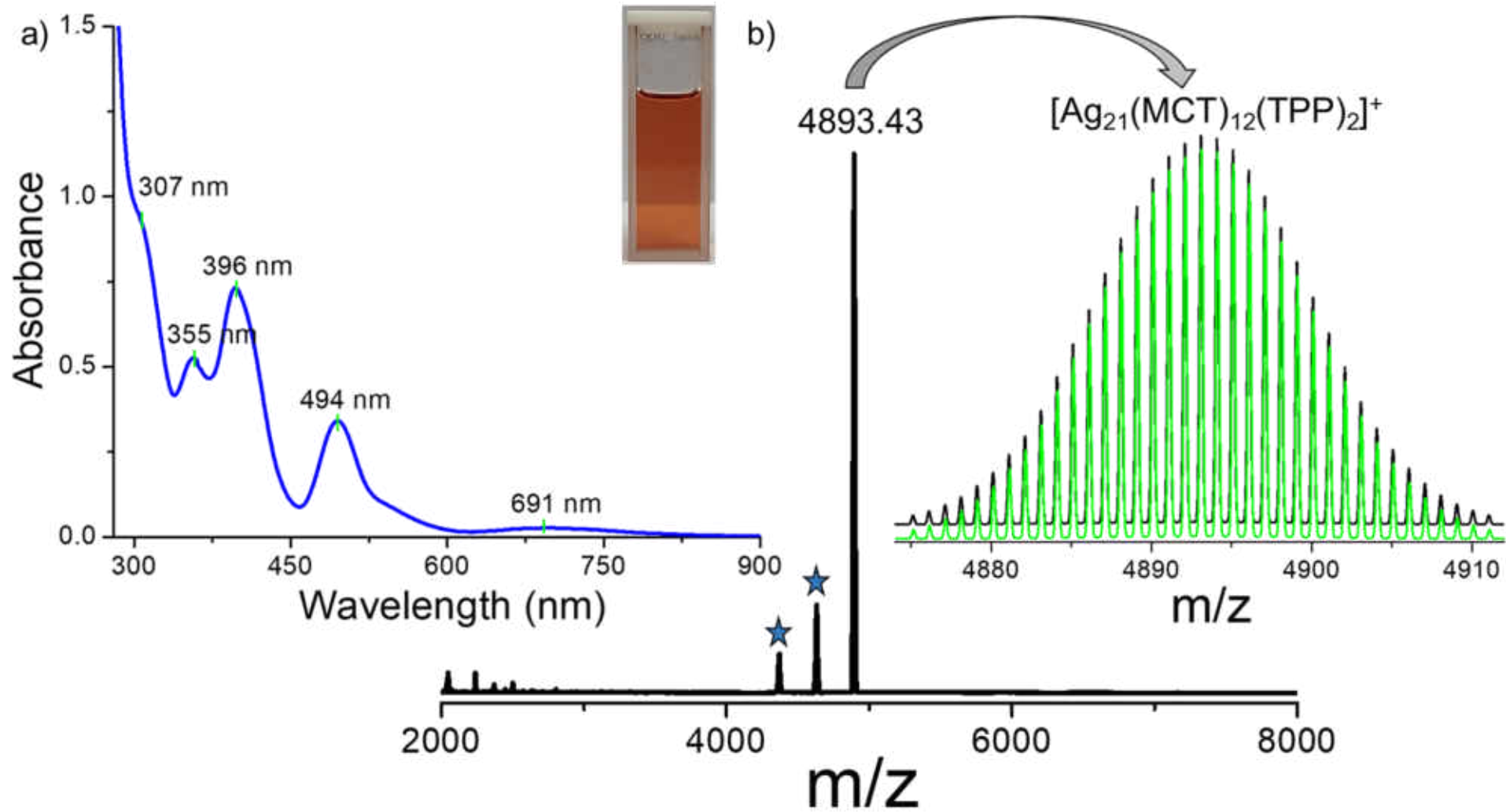
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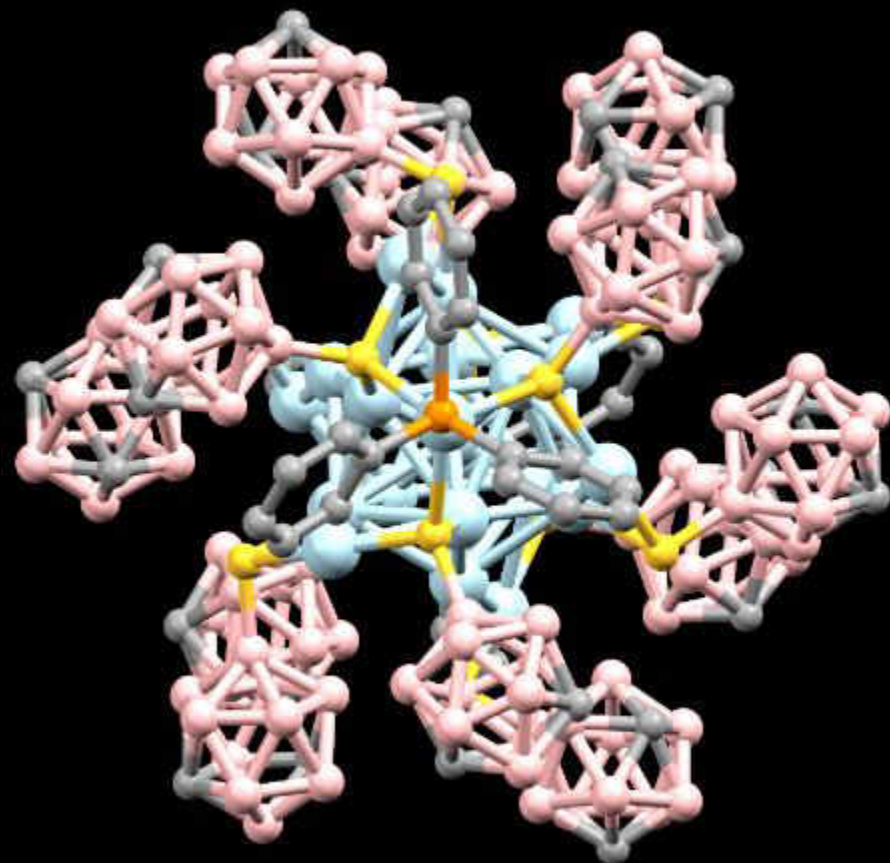
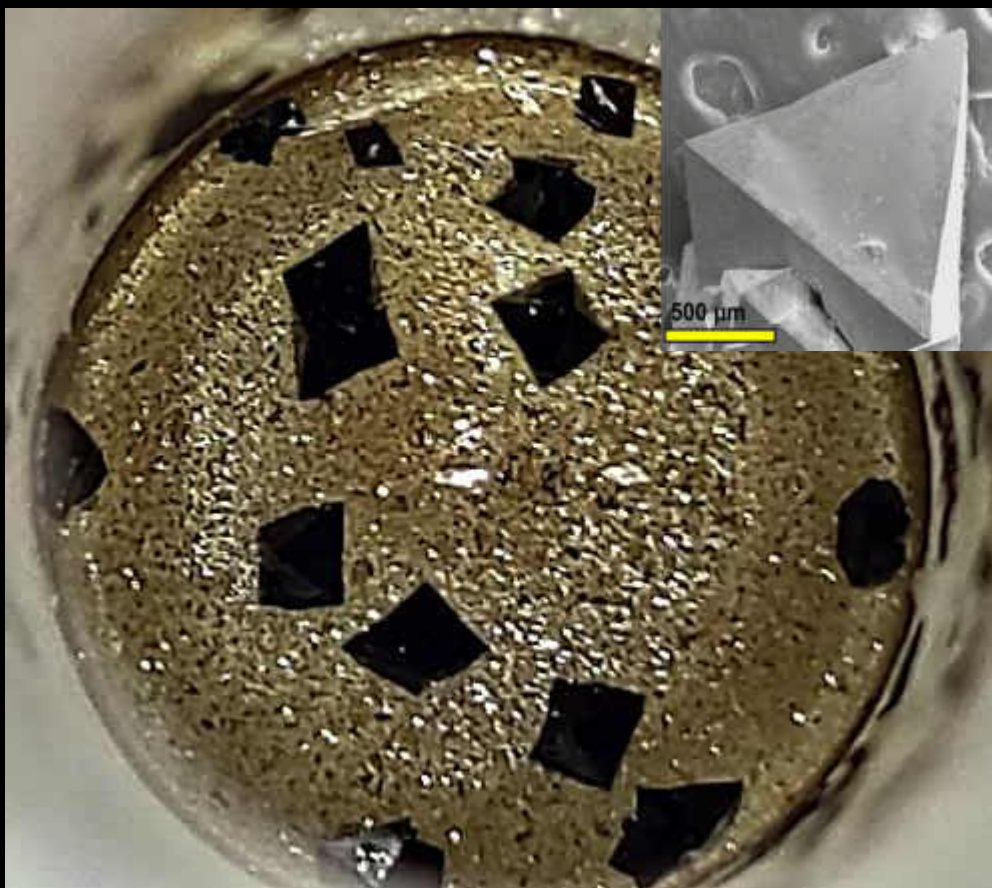
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Carborane-thiol protected silver nanomolecule

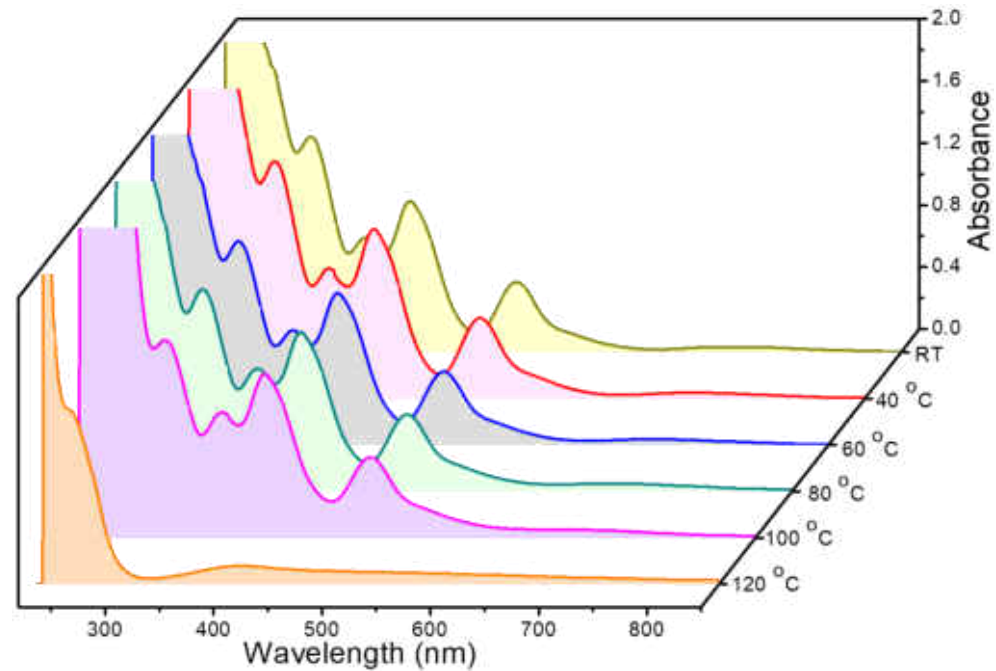
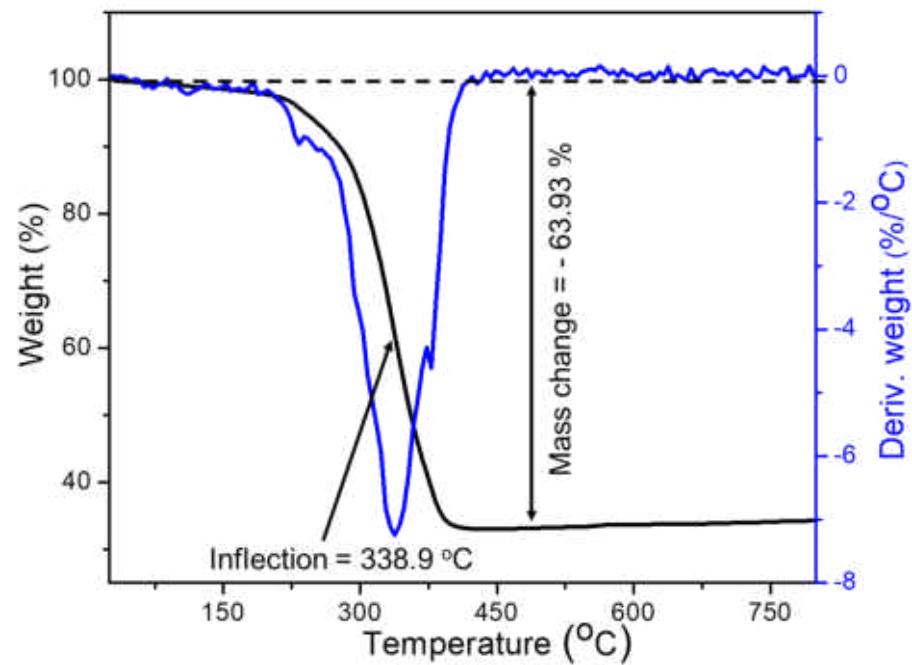


Characterization of Ag₂₁

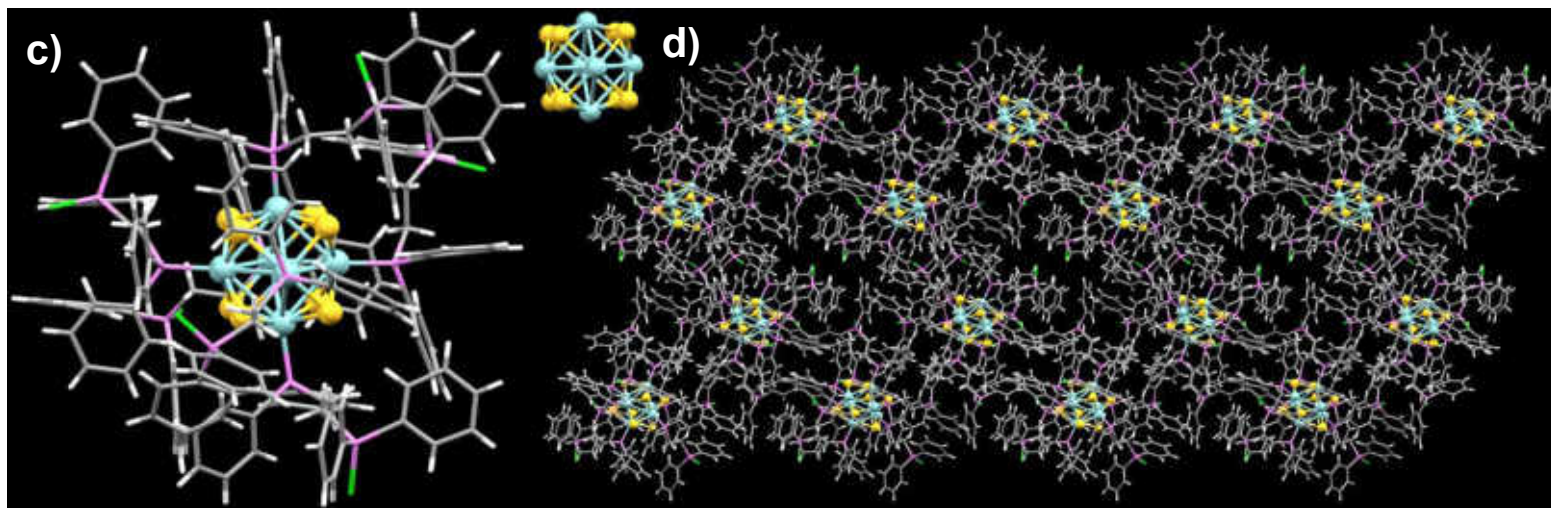
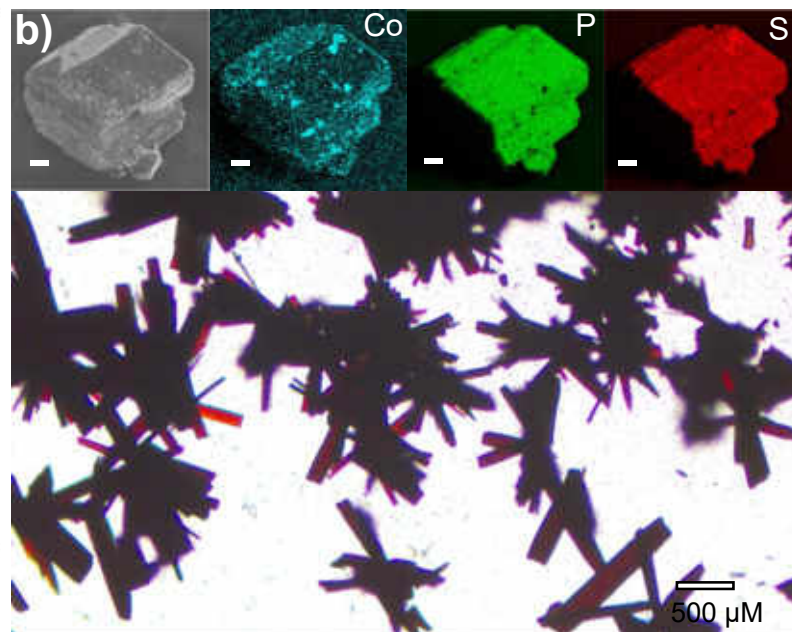
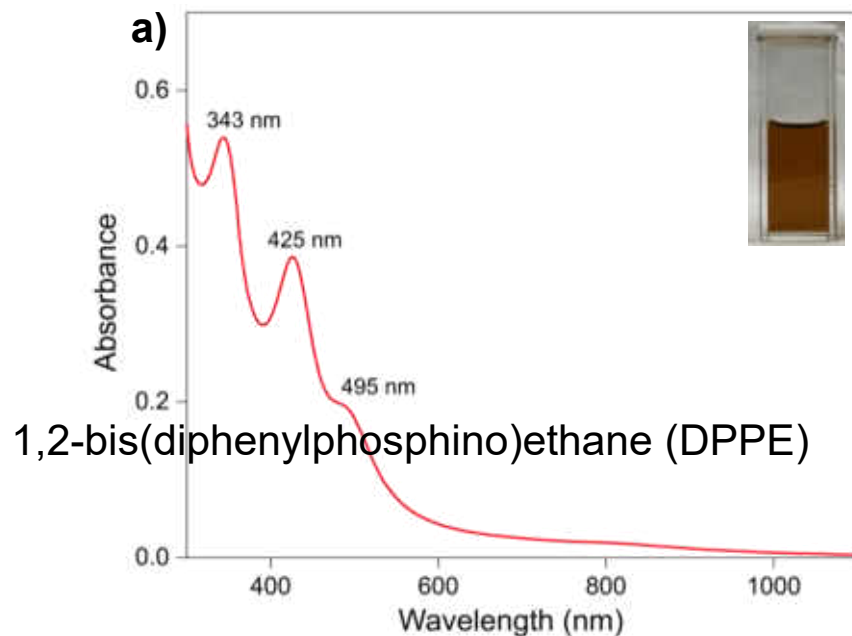




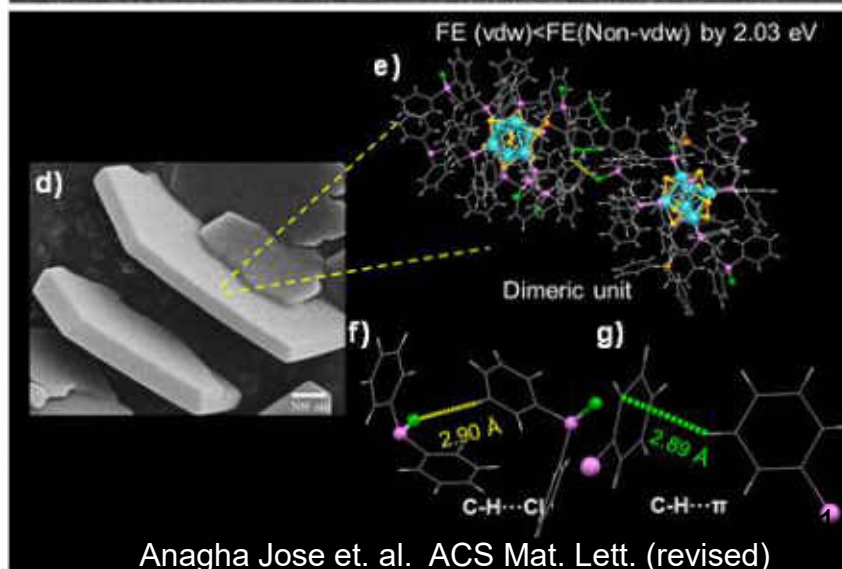
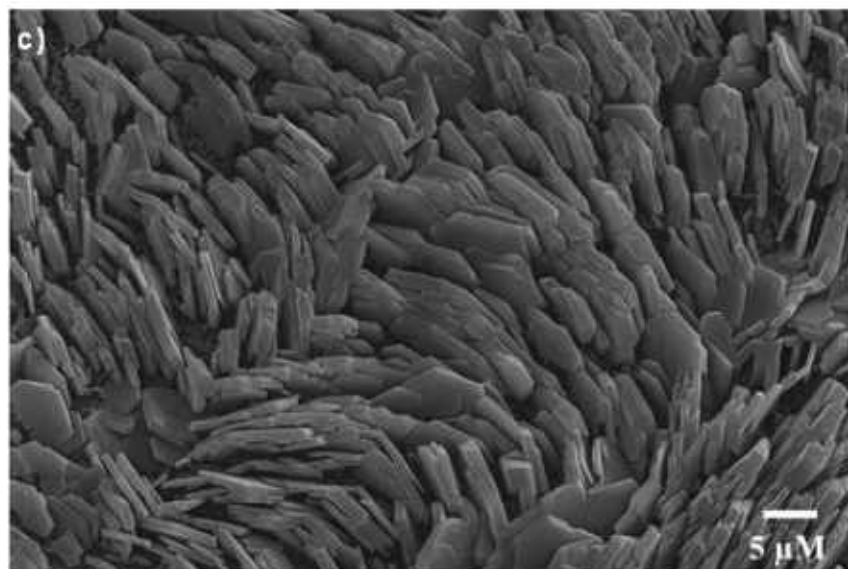
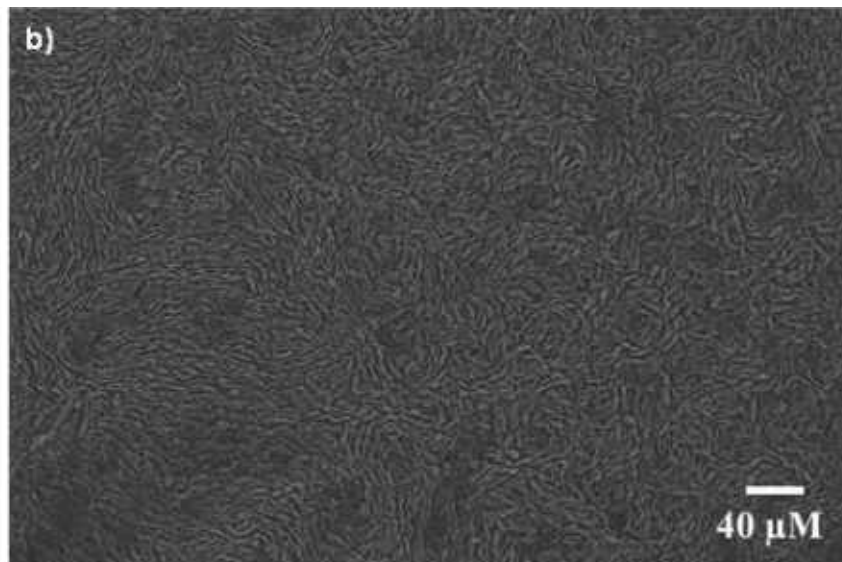
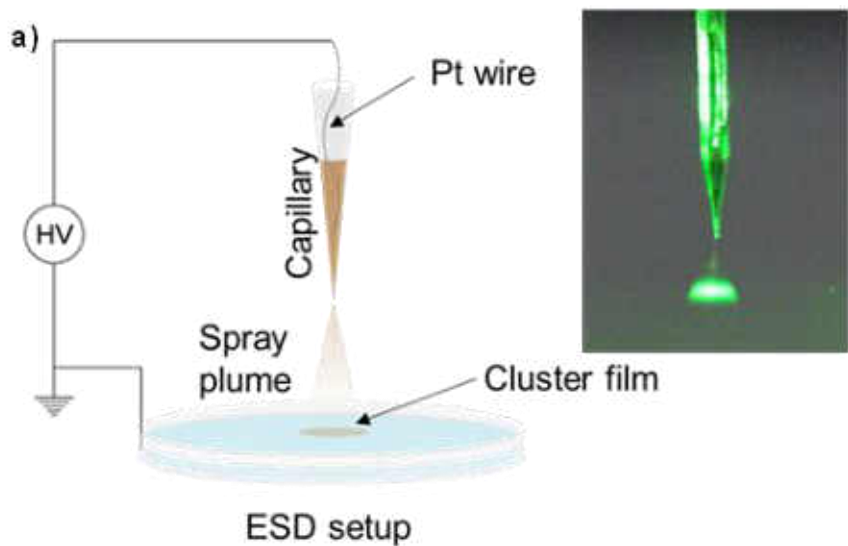
Thermal stability



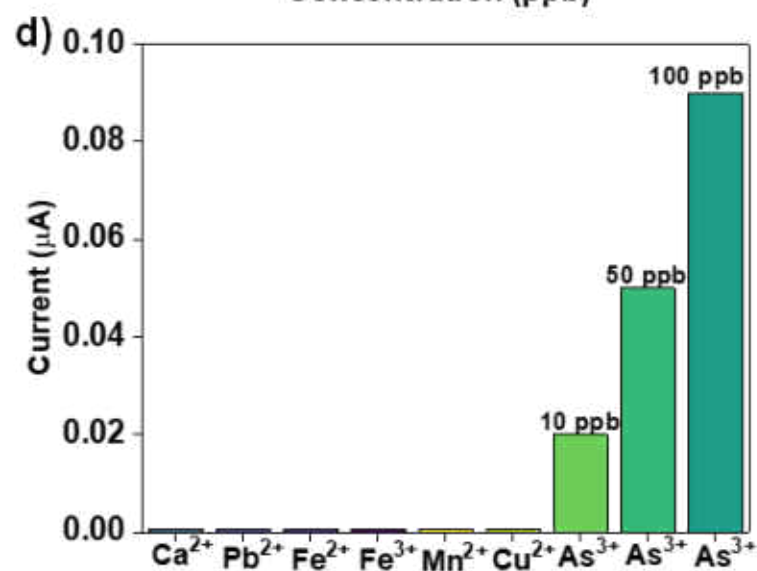
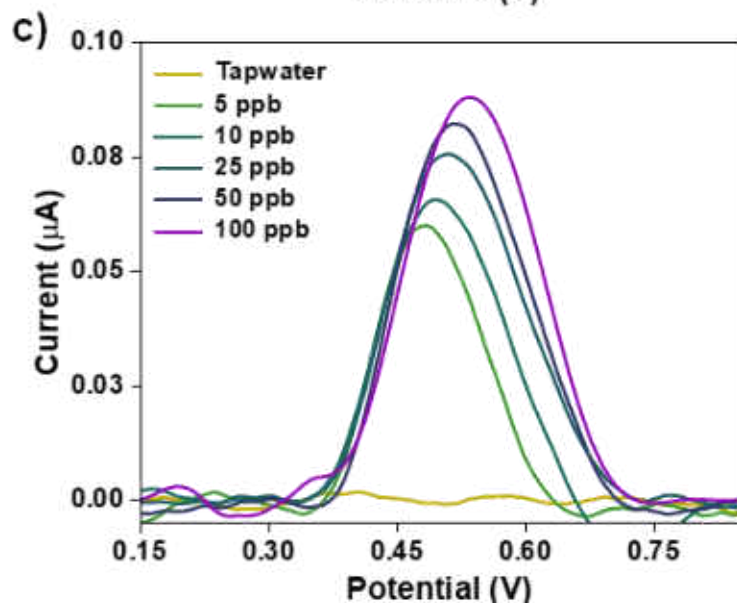
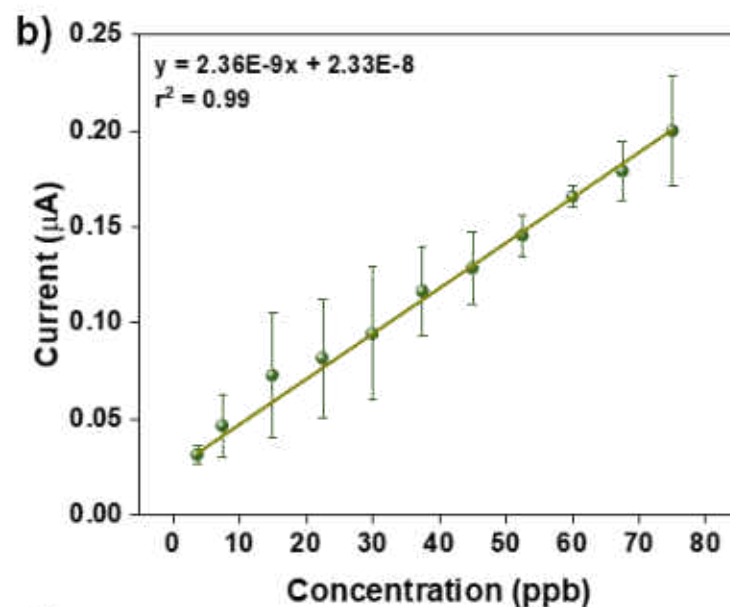
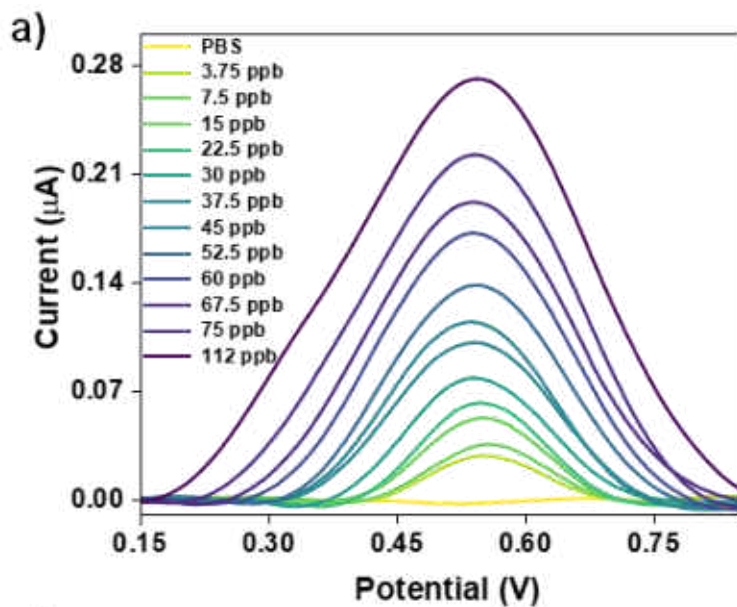
New electrodes - Aligned nanoplates of Co_6S_8



Electrospray deposition



Sensing



Previous As sensor with Co nanoparticles

1 μM = 75 ppb

10 μM = 750 ppb

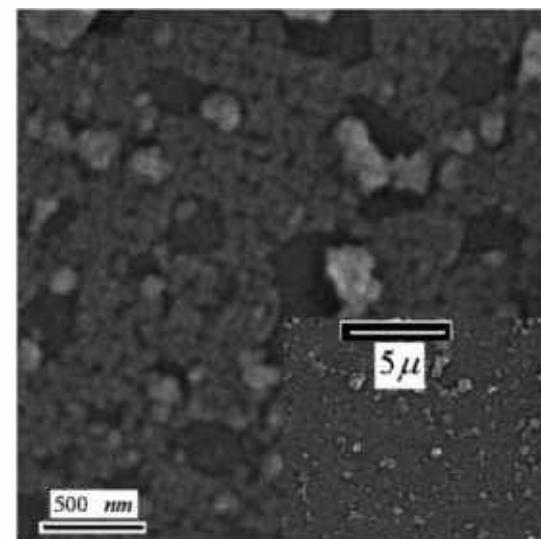
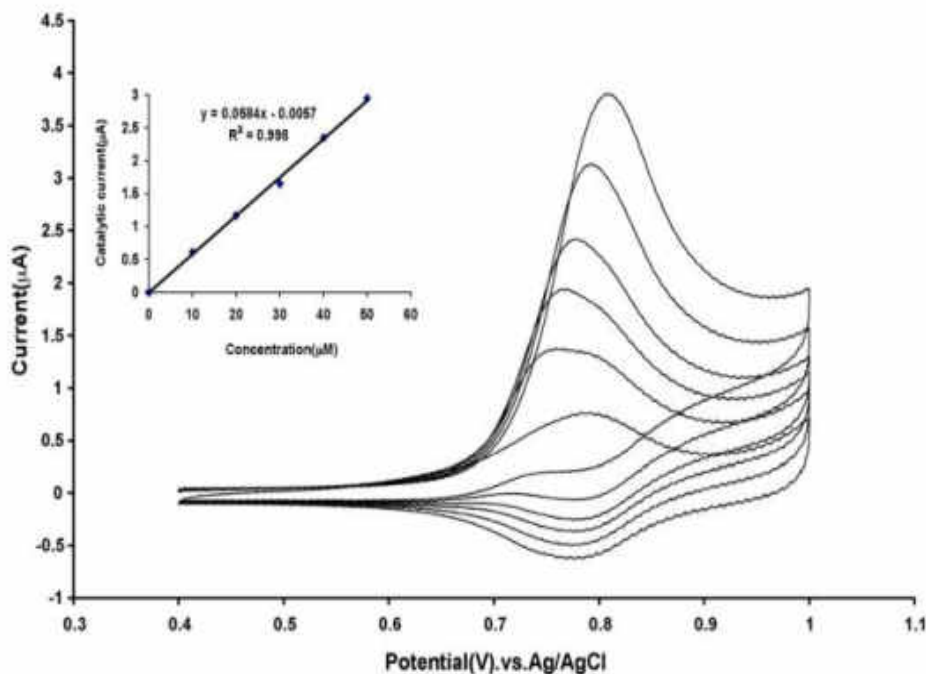
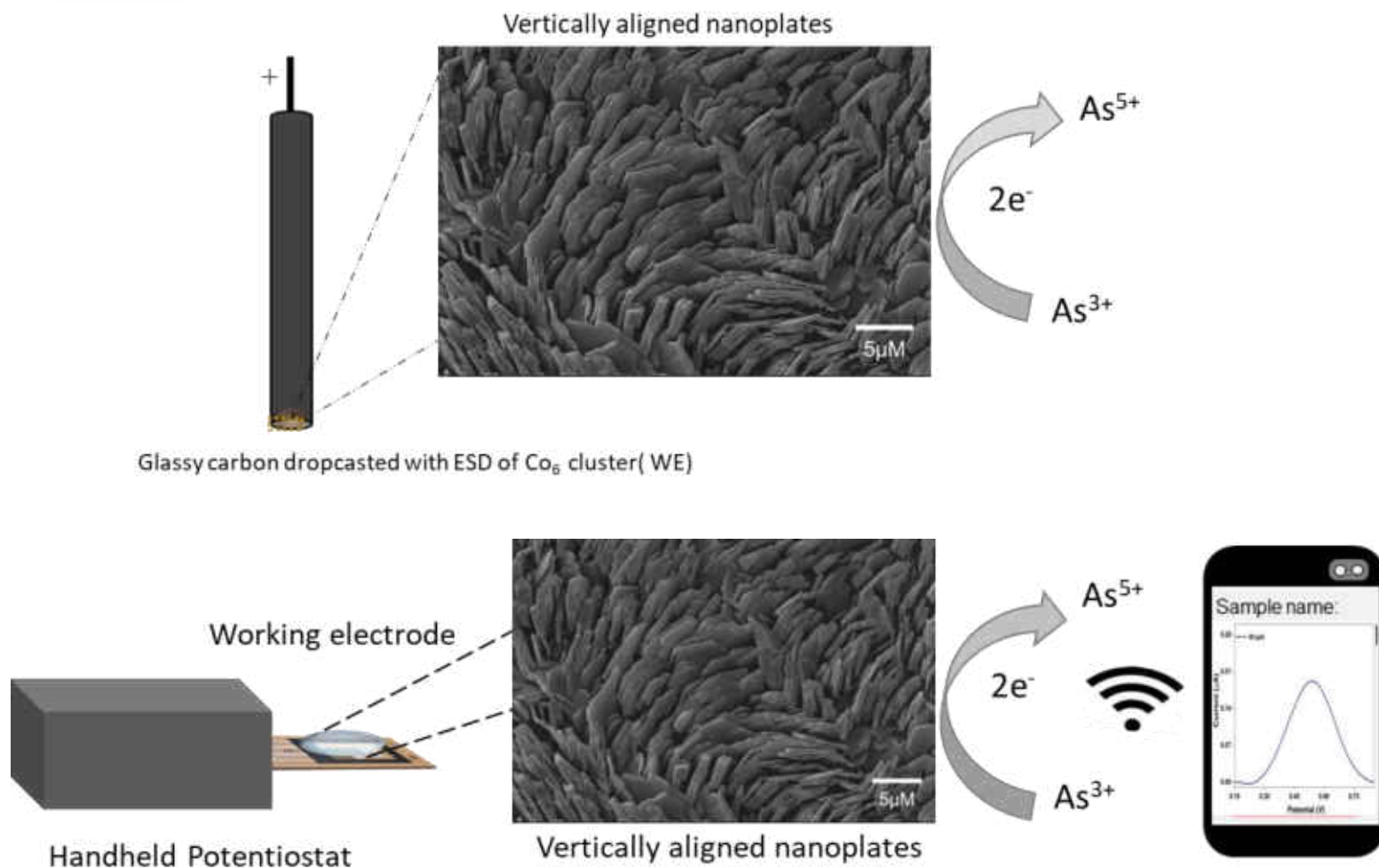


Fig. 1. SEM image of the electrodeposited cobalt oxide on glassy carbon, scale bar 500 nm, *Inset*: The SEM image with lower magnification for the same sample, scale bar is 5.0 μm .

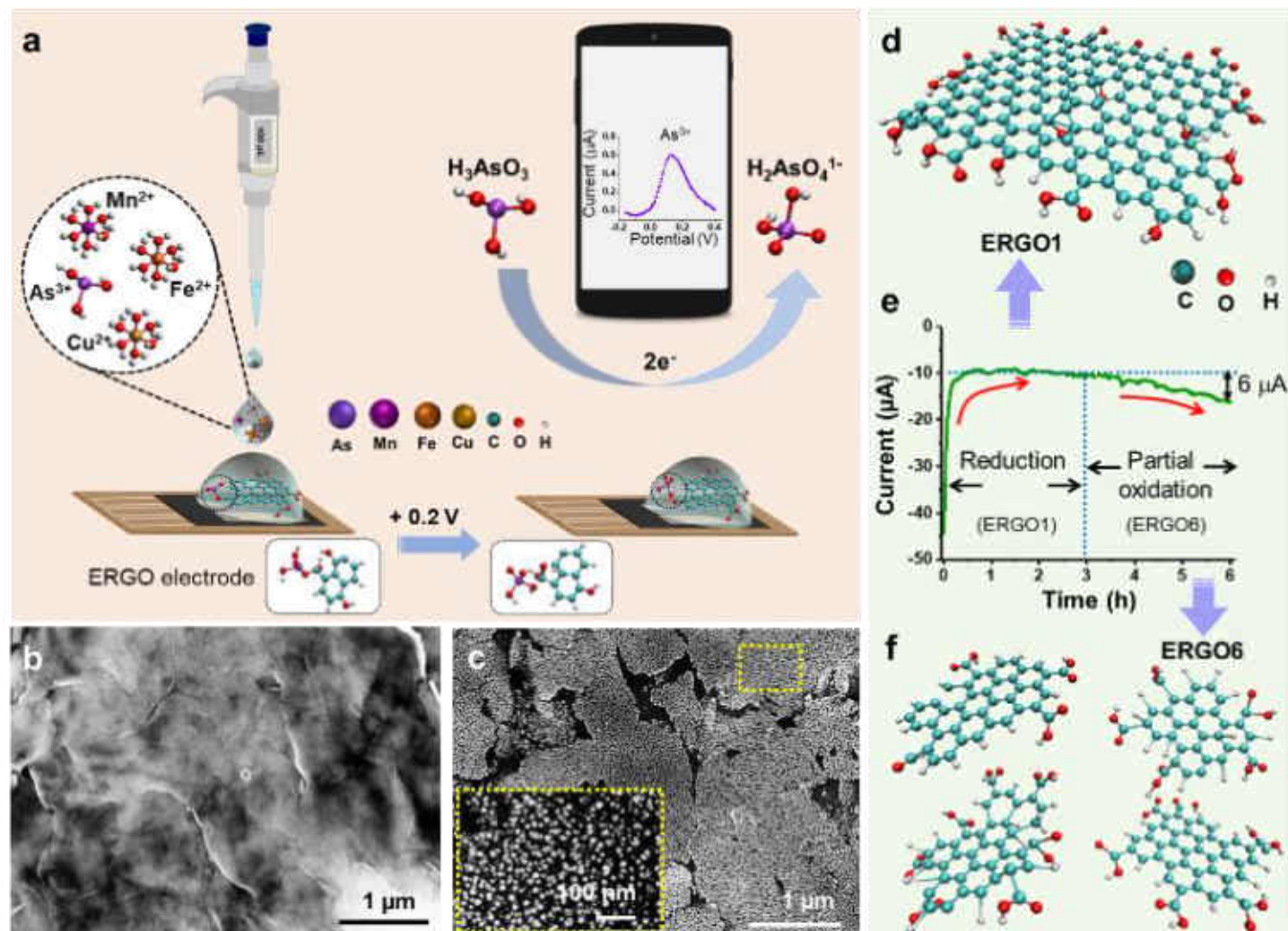
Fig. 4. Cyclic voltammograms of cobalt oxide nanoparticles modified GC electrode in buffer solution pH 7 at scan rate 20 mV s^{-1} with increasing arsenic concentration (from inner to outer) 0.0, 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 μM . *Inset*: plot of peak current vs. arsenic concentrations.

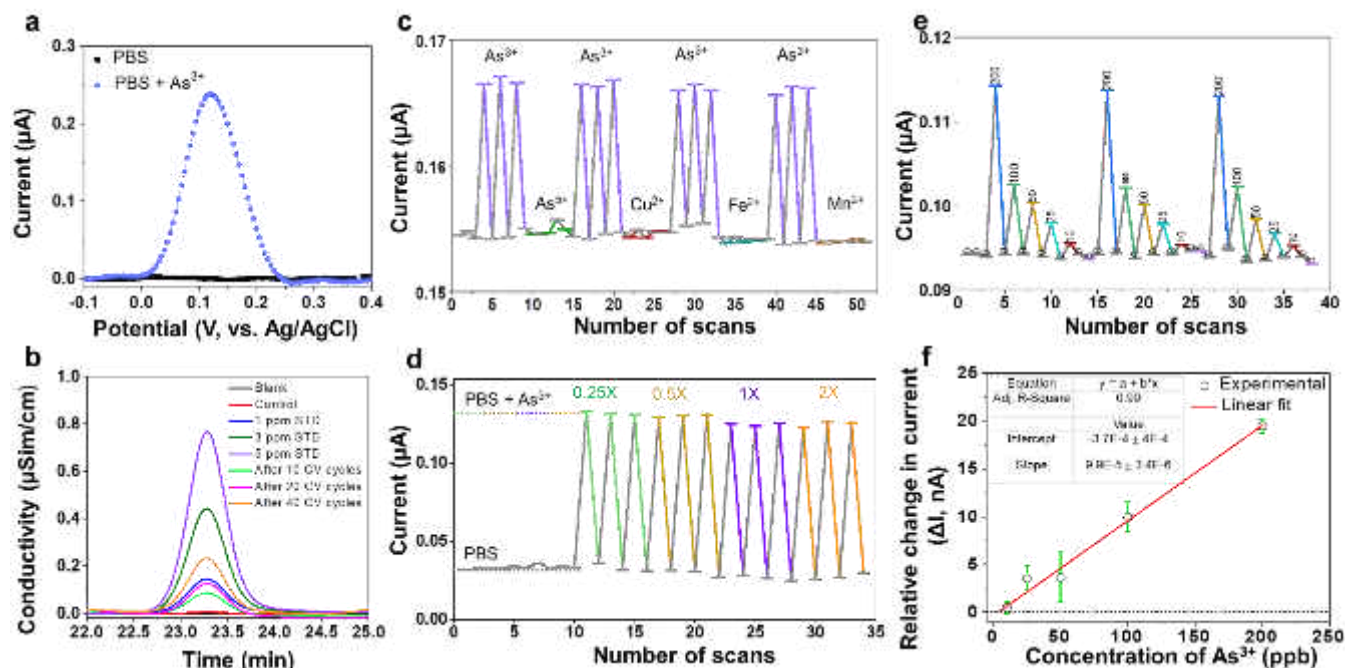
A theoretical LOD of 0.825 ppb using CoOx on a glassy carbon electrode in PBS at pH 7 was reported.

Working electrode

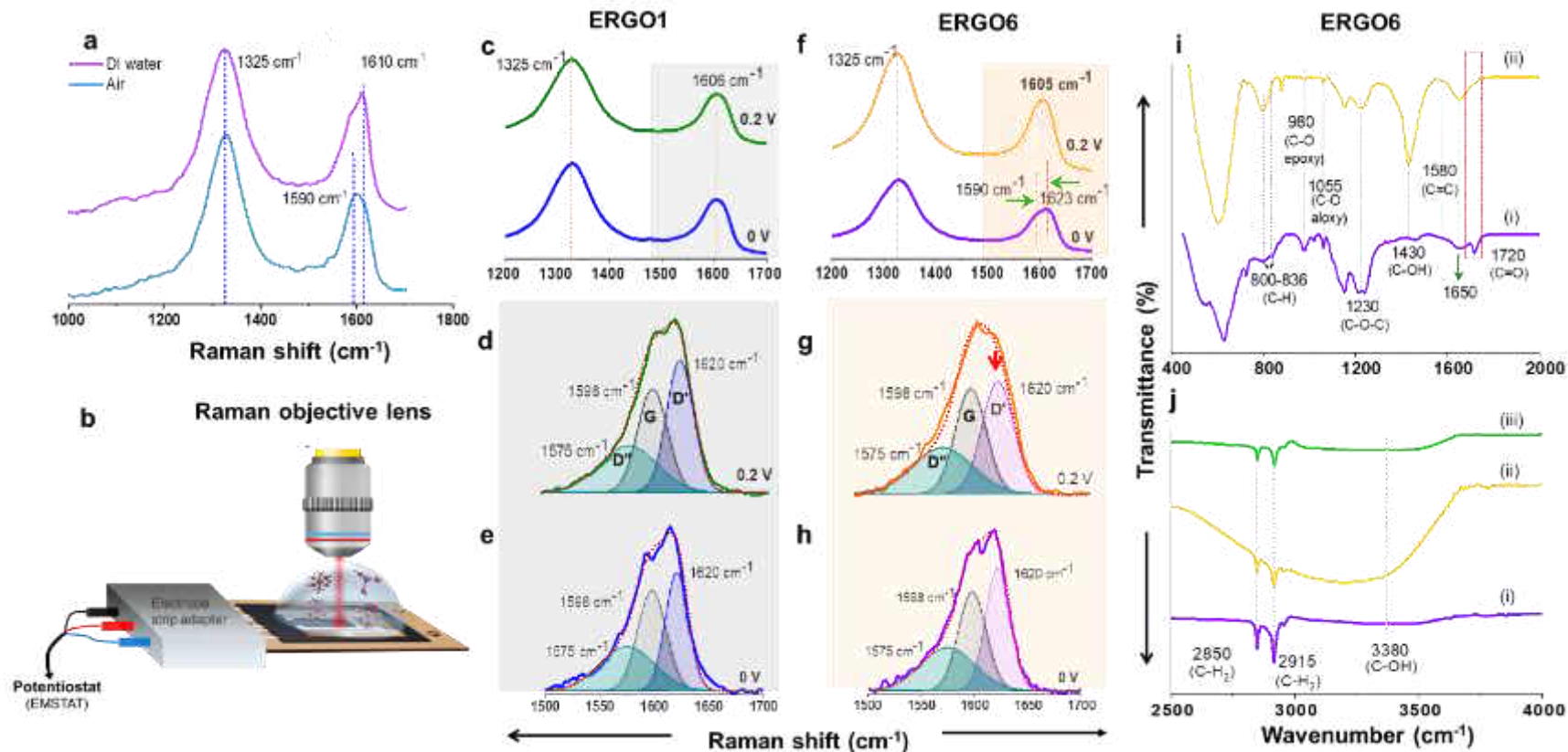


Practical graphene-based arsenite sensor



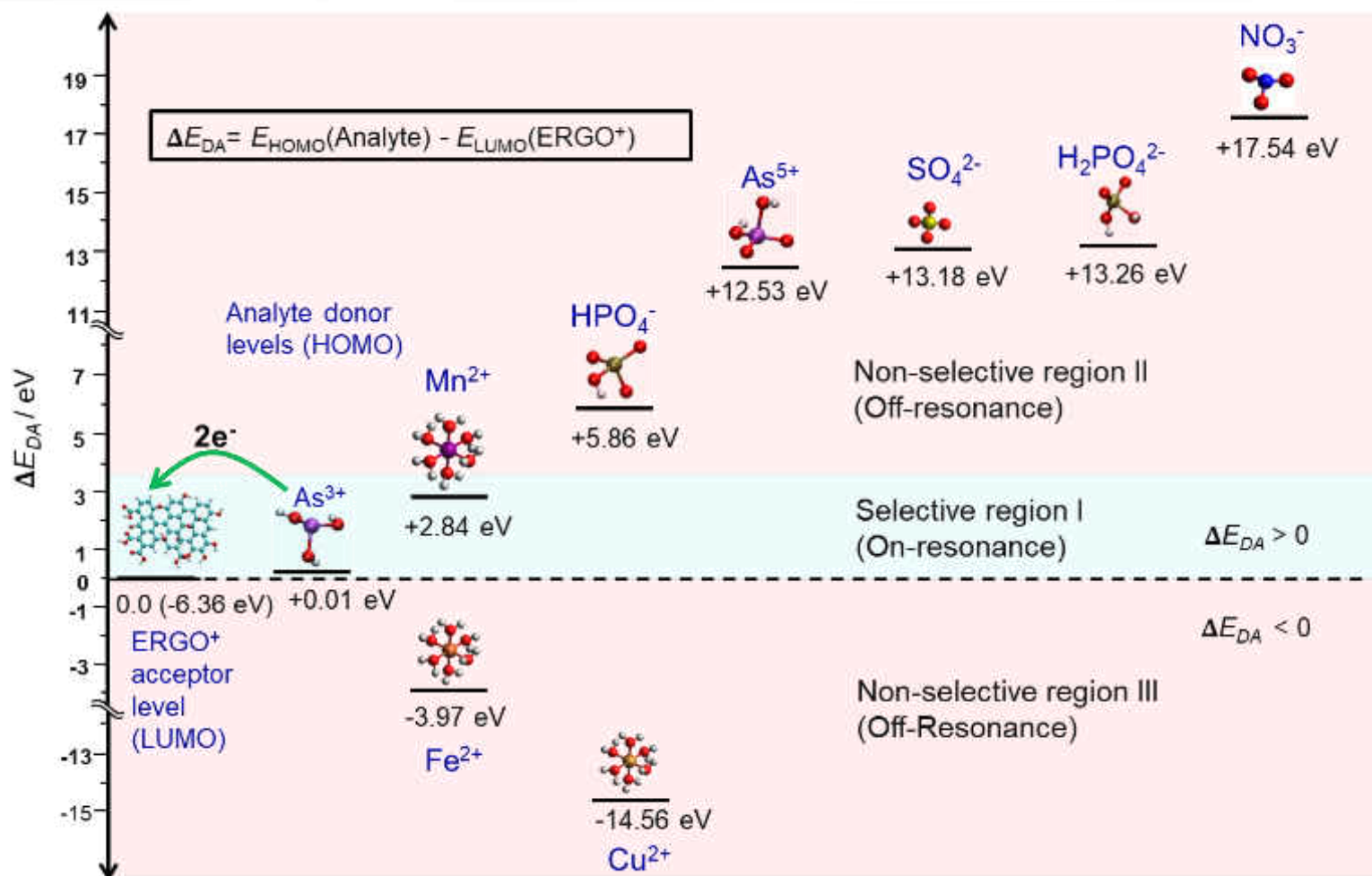


(a) LSV response of ERGO6 without and with 1 ppm As^{3+} , (b) Chronograms obtained from ion chromatography (IC) measurement with the solutions obtained after different number of CV cycles and same measurement with standard (STD) As^{5+} solutions of different concentrations. (c) CA measurement with different concentrations of As^{3+} . (d) Calibration curve showing linearity down to 10 ppb. (e) Interference study performed with several heavy metal ions with ERGO6 electrode. Concentration of As^{3+} was fixed at 200 ppb, while 1 ppm was maintained for interfering ions. (f) Investigation of CA current response of 1 ppm As^{3+} spiked in PBS with different ionic conductivity. We prepared PBS solutions of different conductivity by changing their ionic concentrations and used them further as electrolytes during CA measurements.

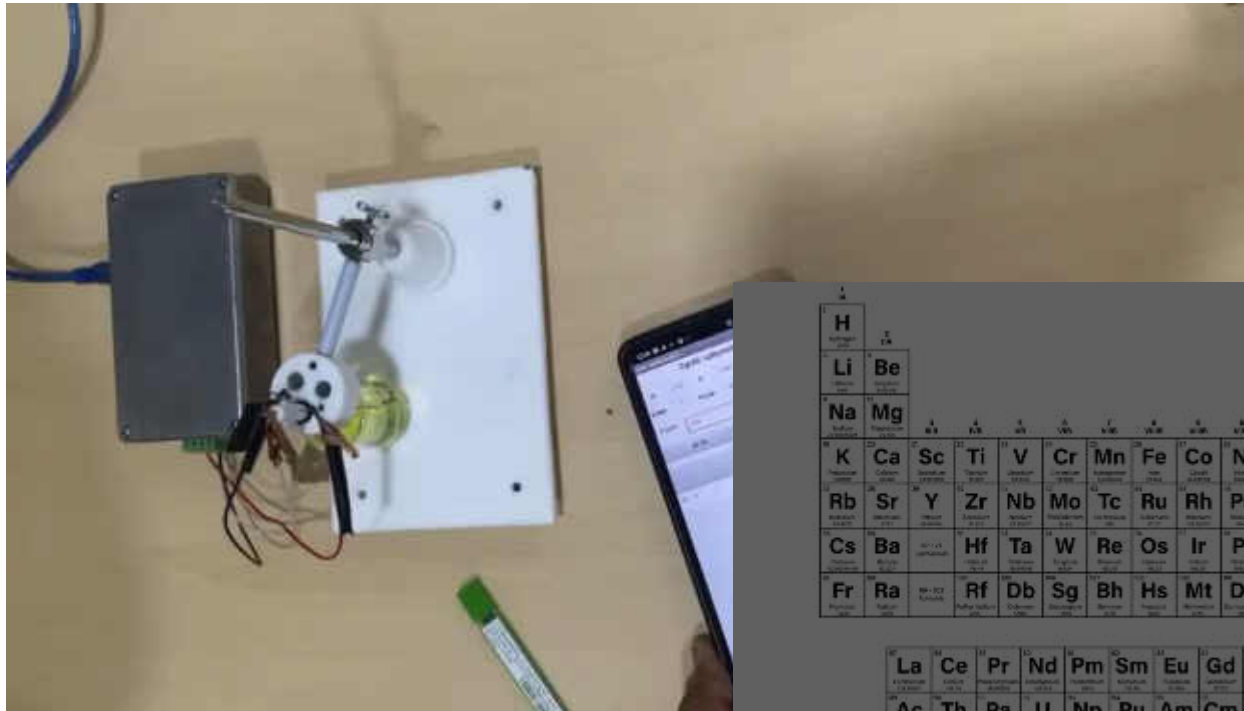


(a) Raman spectra of ERGO6 without (air) and with DI water. (b) Schematic depicts spectro-electrochemical (SPEC) measurement set-up. During SPEC measurements, the Raman objective was focused at the surface of ERGO6 strips with and without As^{3+} containing DI water on it and a DC potential of 0.2 V was applied to the electrode. (c) Raman spectra of ERGO1 in presence of As^{3+} without and with the application of potential (+ 0.2 V). Gaussian peak fitting was performed on the G bands of Raman spectra of ERGO1 (d) with, and (e) without the application of potential. (f) Raman spectra of ERGO6 in presence of As^{3+} without and with application of +0.2 V. Gaussian peak fitting was performed on the G bands of the Raman spectra of ERGO6 (g) with and (h) without the application of potential. Decrease in the intensity of D' is marked with a downward arrow. FTIR spectra of ERGO6 (i) without (purple trace) and with As^{3+} (yellow trace), (j) FTIR spectra of the same strip without As^{3+} (purple trace), with As^{3+} (yellow trace), and after electrochemical oxidation (green trace) to show the changes in OH deformation peak at higher wavenumber.

Origin of selectivity



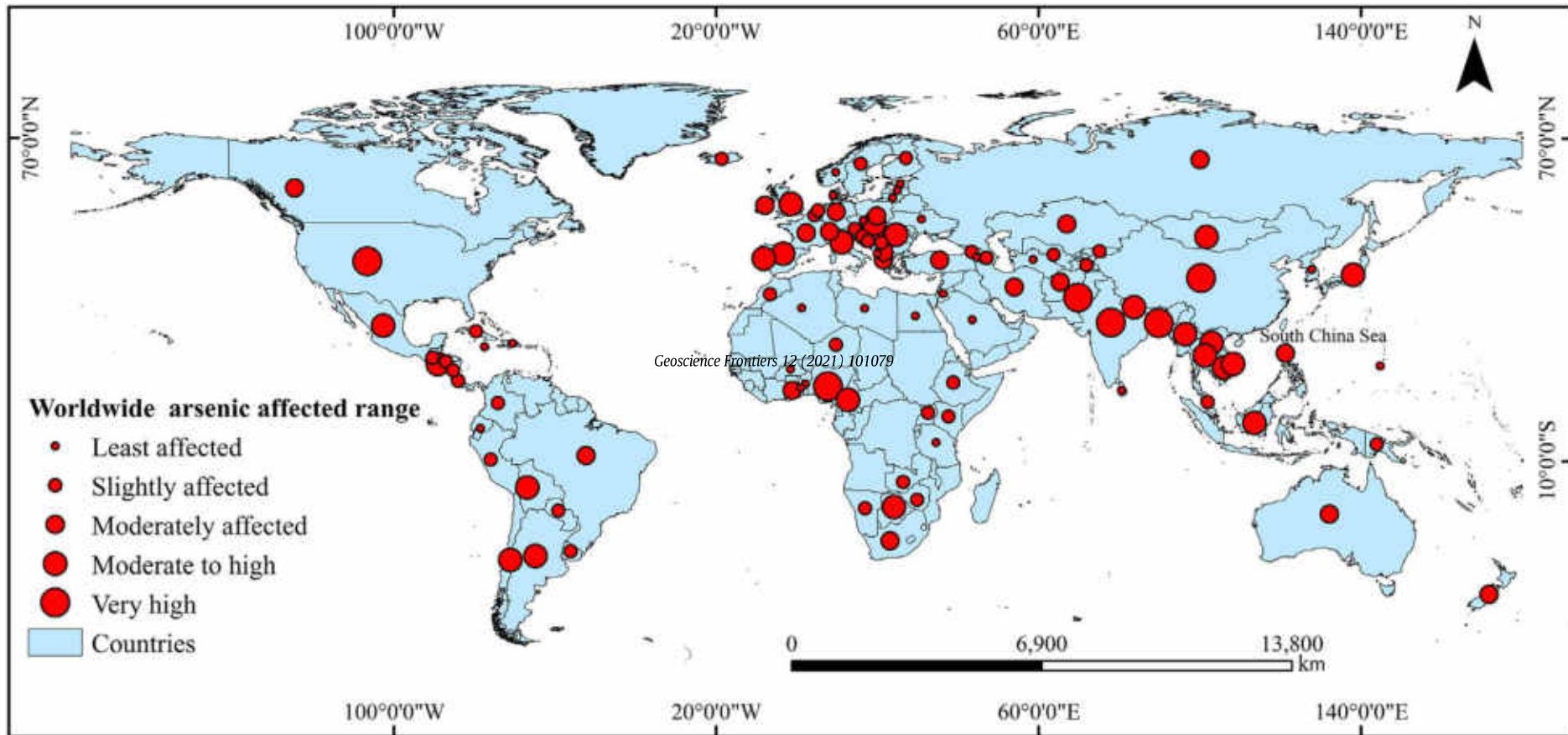
Analytical devices



1 H Hydrogen 1.008																	2 He Helium 4.003																	
3 Li Lithium 6.941	4 Be Beryllium 9.012																	5 B Boron 10.811	6 C Carbon 12.011	7 N Nitrogen 14.007	8 O Oxygen 15.999	9 F Fluorine 18.998	10 Ne Neon 20.180											
11 Na Sodium 22.990	12 Mg Magnesium 24.305																	13 Al Aluminum 26.982	14 Si Silicon 28.086	15 P Phosphorus 30.974	16 S Sulfur 32.065	17 Cl Chlorine 35.453	18 Ar Argon 39.948											
19 K Potassium 39.098	20 Ca Calcium 40.078	21 Sc Scandium 44.956	22 Ti Titanium 47.883	23 V Vanadium 50.942	24 Cr Chromium 51.996	25 Mn Manganese 54.938	26 Fe Iron 55.845	27 Co Cobalt 58.933	28 Ni Nickel 58.693	29 Cu Copper 63.546	30 Zn Zinc 65.38	31 Ga Gallium 69.723	32 Ge Germanium 72.630	33 As Arsenic 74.922	34 Se Selenium 78.96	35 Br Bromine 79.904	36 Kr Krypton 83.798																	
37 Rb Rubidium 85.468	38 Sr Strontium 87.62	39 Y Yttrium 88.906	40 Zr Zirconium 91.224	41 Nb Niobium 92.906	42 Mo Molybdenum 95.94	43 Tc Technetium 98.906	44 Ru Ruthenium 101.07	45 Rh Rhodium 102.91	46 Pd Palladium 106.36	47 Ag Silver 107.87	48 Cd Cadmium 112.41	49 In Indium 114.82	50 Sn Tin 118.71	51 Sb Antimony 121.76	52 Te Tellurium 127.6	53 I Iodine 126.91	54 Xe Xenon 131.29																	
55 Cs Cesium 132.91	56 Ba Barium 137.33	57 La Lanthanum 138.91	58 Ce Cerium 140.12	59 Pr Praseodymium 140.91	60 Nd Neodymium 144.24	61 Pm Promethium 144.91	62 Sm Samarium 150.36	63 Eu Europium 151.96	64 Gd Gadolinium 157.25	65 Tb Terbium 158.93	66 Dy Dysprosium 162.50	67 Ho Holmium 164.93	68 Er Erbium 167.26	69 Tm Thulium 168.93	70 Yb Ytterbium 173.05	71 Lu Lutetium 174.97	72 Hf Hafnium 178.49	73 Ta Tantalum 180.95	74 W Tungsten 183.84	75 Re Rhenium 186.21	76 Os Osmium 190.23	77 Ir Iridium 192.22	78 Pt Platinum 195.08	79 Au Gold 196.97	80 Hg Mercury 200.59	81 Tl Thallium 204.38	82 Pb Lead 207.2	83 Bi Bismuth 208.98	84 Po Polonium 209	85 At Astatine 210	86 Rn Radon 222			
87 Fr Francium 223.02	88 Ra Radium 226.02	89 Ac Actinium 227.03	90 Th Thorium 232.04	91 Pa Protactinium 231.04	92 U Uranium 238.03	93 Np Neptunium 237.05	94 Pu Plutonium 244.06	95 Am Americium 243.06	96 Cm Curium 247.07	97 Bk Berkelium 247.07	98 Cf Californium 251.08	99 Es Einsteinium 252.08	100 Fm Fermium 257.10	101 Md Mendelevium 258.10	102 No Nobelium 259.10	103 Lr Lawrencium 262.11	104 Db Dubnium 262.11	105 Sg Seaborgium 266.12	106 Bh Bohrium 264.10	107 Hs Hassium 277.13	108 Mt Meitnerium 268.10	109 Ds Darmstadtium 271.10	110 Rg Roentgenium 272.10	111 Cn Copernicium 285.10	112 Nh Nihonium 286.10	113 Fl Flerovium 289.10	114 Mc Moscovium 290.10	115 Lv Livermorium 293.10	116 Ts Tennessine 294.10	117 Og Oganesson 294.10				
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Arsenic poisoning across the world



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