

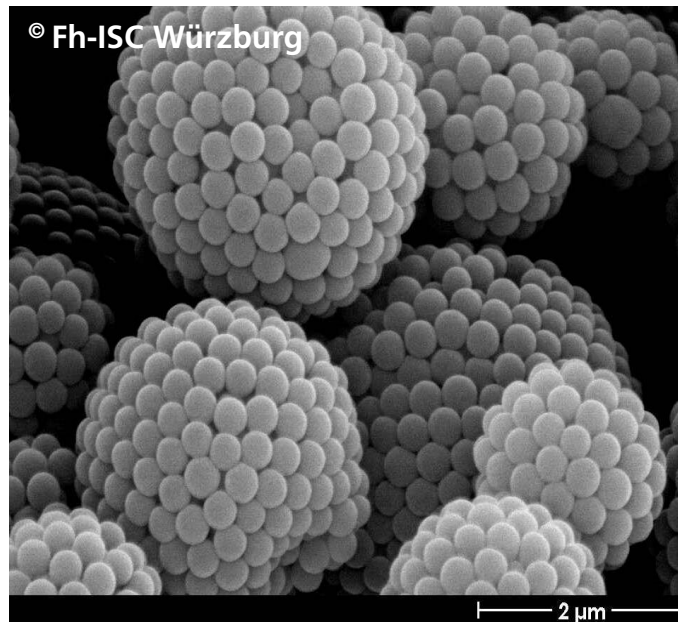
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# Status of the industrial use of nanomaterials

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05 and 06 March 2015 - Berlin

Dr. Karl-Heinz Haas - FhI für Silicatforschung, Würzburg

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# Short and simple: What is nanotechnology ?

ISO/TS 80004-1 core terms

not nano  
„by accident“

really small

„The **purposeful engineering** of matter at scales of less than **100 nanometers (nm)** to achieve **size-dependent** properties and functions“

not just small:  
small and different

source: \Lux research\

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# Technical Specification ISO/TS 80004-1 (Core terms)

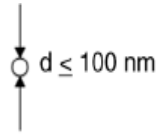
**nanoscale:** size range from approximately **1 nm to 100 nm**

**nanotechnology:** application of scientific knowledge to manipulate/control matter in the nanoscale in order to make use of **size- and structure-dependent properties** and phenomena, as distinct from those associated with individual atoms or molecules or with bulk materials. Manipulation and control includes material synthesis.

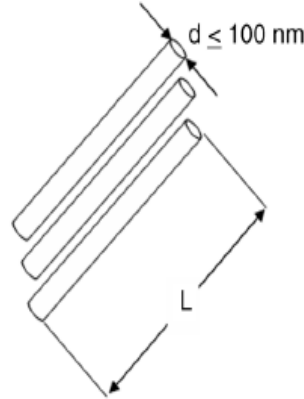
**nanomaterial:** material with any **external** dimension in the nanoscale or having **internal** structure or surface structure in the nanoregime.

# Nanoobjects

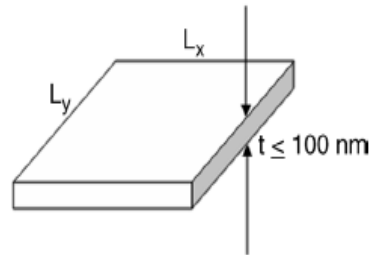
**0D:**  
All dimensions (x,y,z)  
at nano scale  
example: Nanoparticle



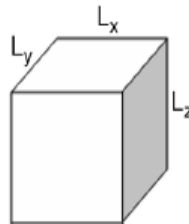
**1D:**  
Two dimensions (x,y)  
at nano scale;  
L not  
example: nanorod/  
tube



**2D:**  
One dimension (t)  
at nano scale;  
two others not  
example: nanofilm/  
platelet



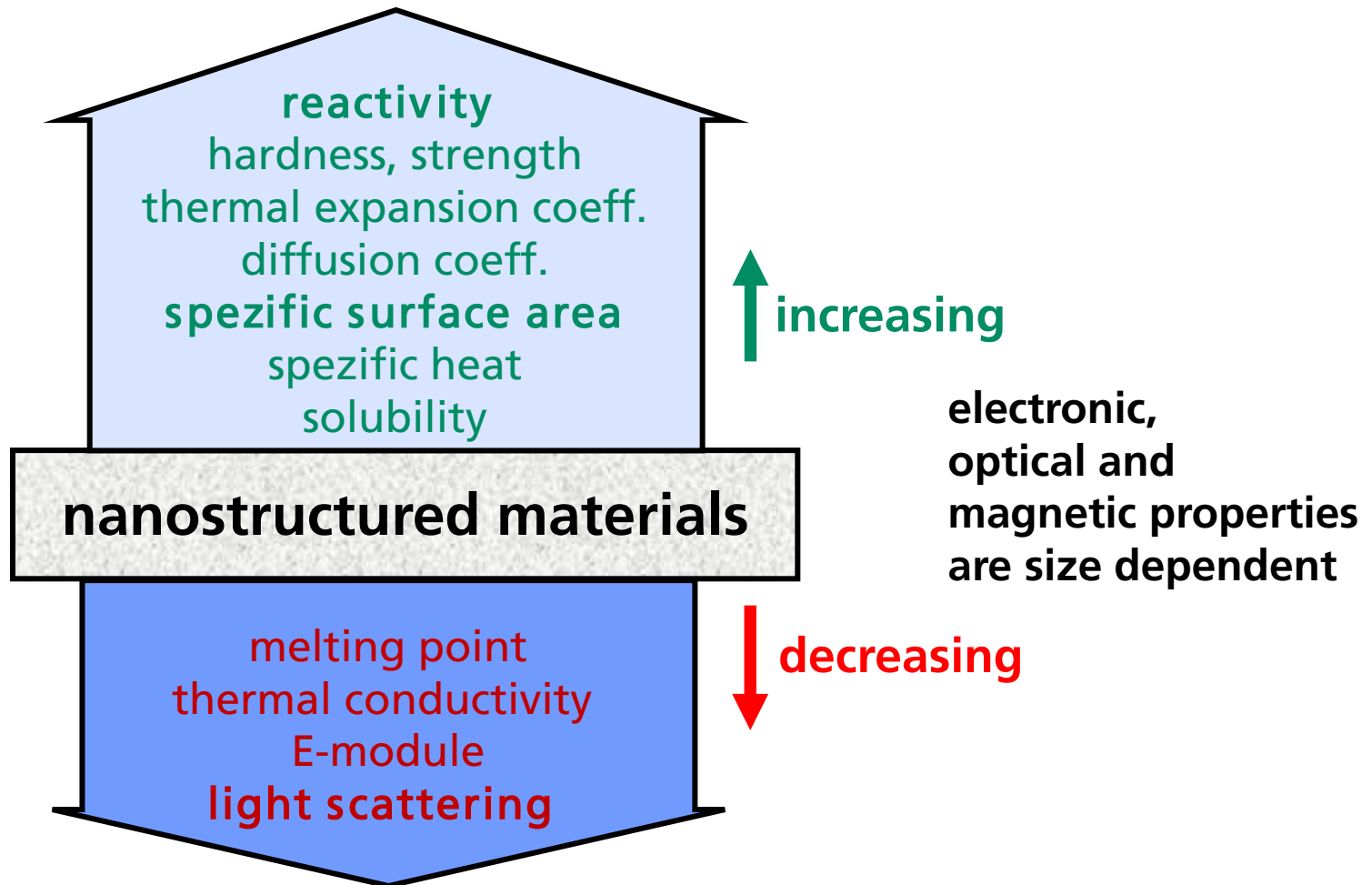
**3D:**  
all **external** dimensions not  
nano scale  
example: nanocomposite



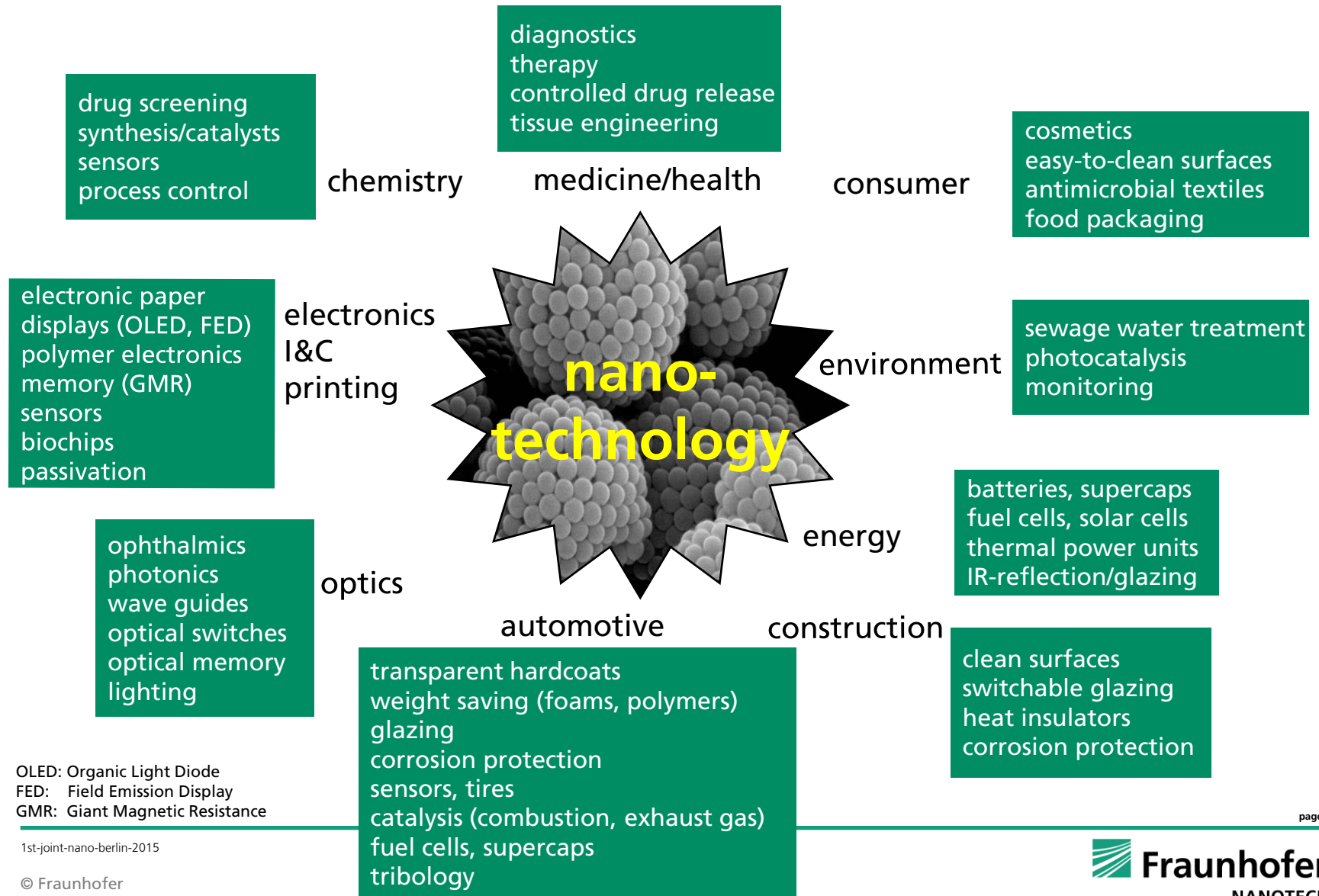
Decreasing  
probability  
for crossing  
barriers

Decreasing risks

# Nanomaterials: what makes them so interesting ?

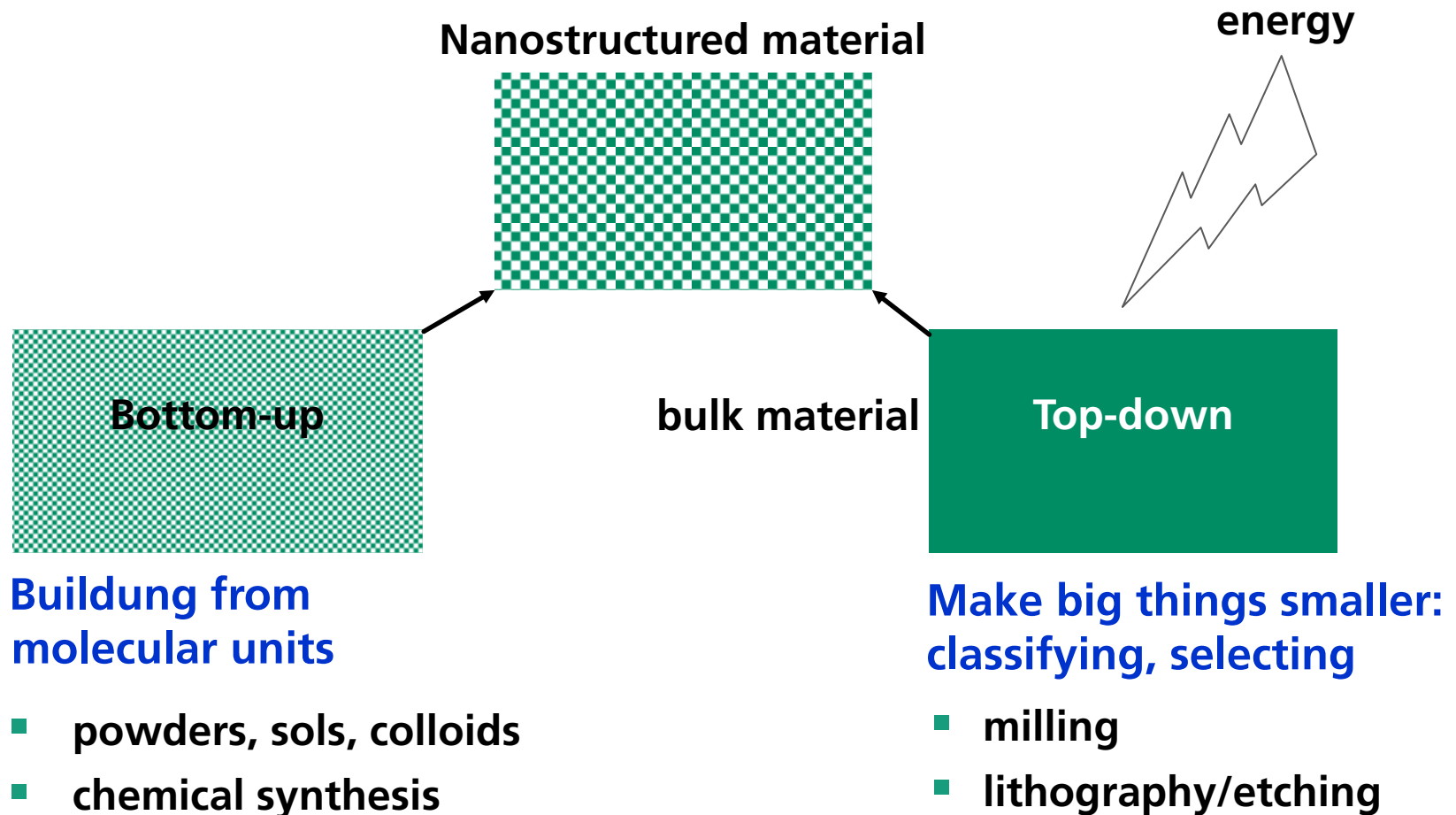


# Nanotechnology: world market around 150-200 Bill. €



OLED: Organic Light Diode  
FED: Field Emission Display  
GMR: Giant Magnetic Resistance

# Nanomaterials: Synthesis and structure formation



# Relevant production methods for nanoobjects

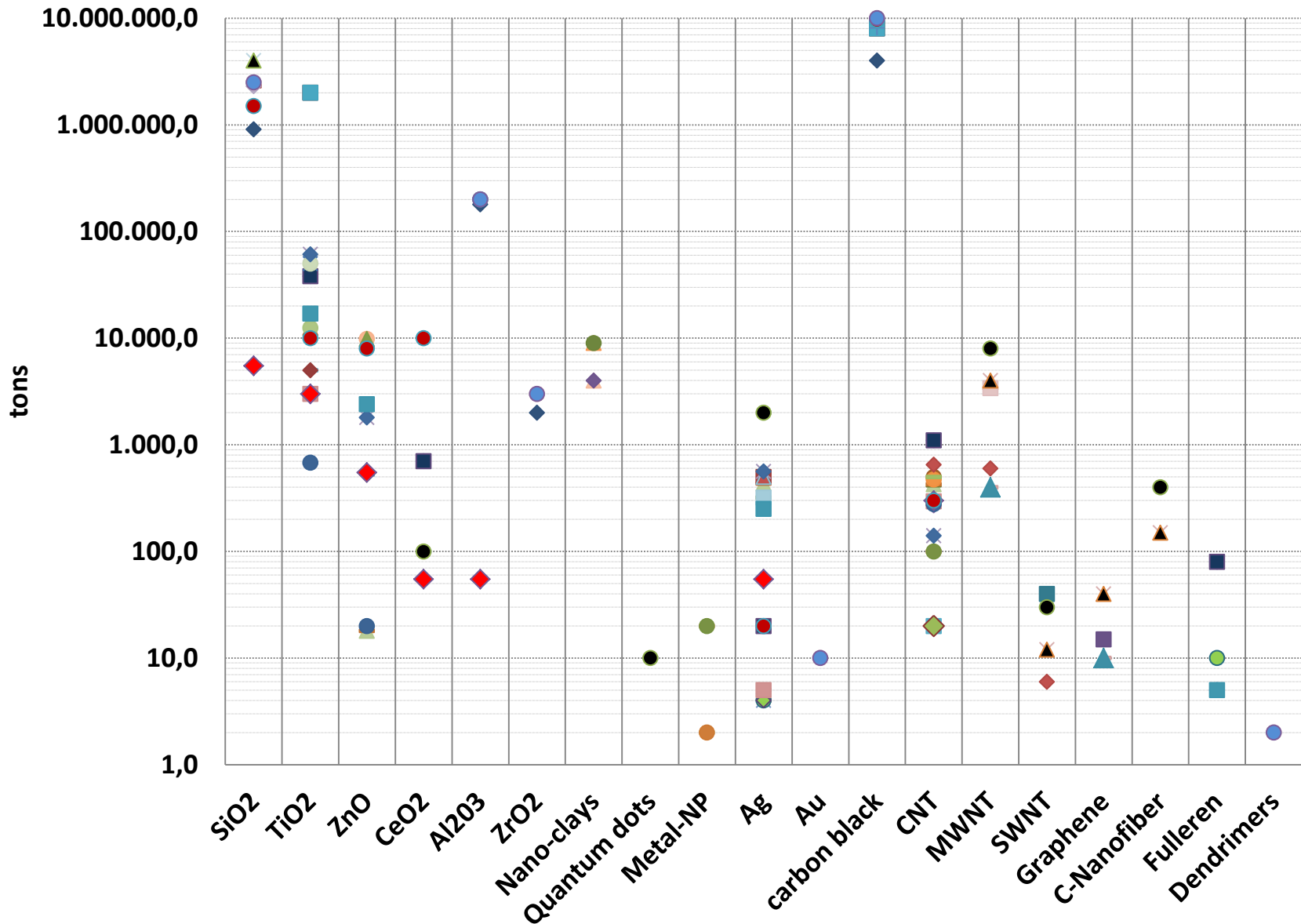
- milling
- electrospinning for nanofibres
- gas phase processes
  - evaporation
  - flame synthesis      ► pyrogenic silica
  - CVD
  - plasma
- liquid phase processing:
  - precipitation
  - solvo-/hydrothermal
  - sol-gel
  - ...

[http://www.wacker.com/cms/media/publications/downloads/6174\\_EN.pdf](http://www.wacker.com/cms/media/publications/downloads/6174_EN.pdf)



# production of nanomaterials (up to 2010)

Source: Haas 2013



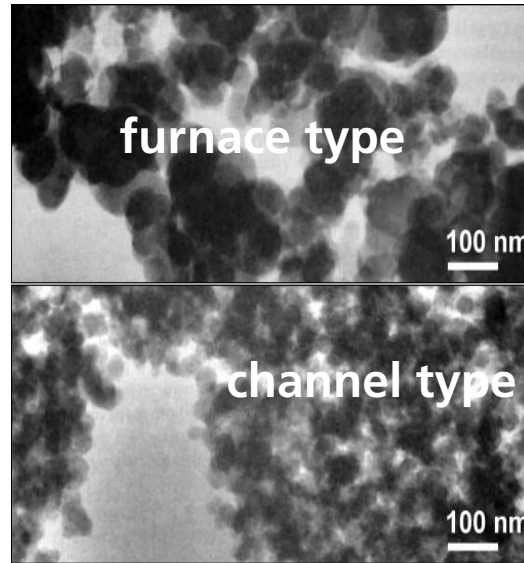
| Nanomaterial          | Product group                       | % of total use |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Nano-TiO <sub>2</sub> | Cosmetics (incl. sunscreens)        | 70–80          |
|                       | Coatings & cleaning agents          | <20            |
|                       | Plastics                            | <20            |
|                       | Paints                              | 10–30          |
|                       | Cement                              | 1              |
|                       | Others                              | <10            |
| Nano-ZnO              | Cosmetics (incl. sunscreens)        | 70             |
|                       | Paints                              | 30             |
| CeO <sub>x</sub>      | Chemical mechanical planarization   | 45–80          |
|                       | Fuel catalyst                       | 1–50           |
|                       | UV-coatings, paints                 | 5–10           |
| CNTs                  | Composites & polymer additives      | 20             |
|                       | Materials                           | 80             |
|                       | Composites                          | 50             |
|                       | Batteries                           | 50             |
| Fullerenes            | R&D                                 | 80             |
| Nano-Ag               | Paints, coatings & cleaning agents  | 10–30          |
|                       | Textiles                            | 30–50          |
|                       | Consumer electronics & conductivity | 10–20          |
|                       | Cosmetics                           | 20             |
|                       | Medtech                             | 20             |
|                       | Anti-microbial coatings             | 80–100         |
| Quantum dots          | Light conversion for LED/OLED       | 90             |
|                       | Lab use for imaging                 | 10             |

## Questionnaire: Usage of nanomaterials (Piccino et al 2012)

Each line represents  
different answers and  
therefore the  
percentages do  
not sum up to 100 %

# Classical nanofillers

- carbon black ▶▶ produced by incomplete combustion of heavy petroleum products



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- silica sols (e. g. Ludox) ▶▶
- pyrogenic silica – hydrophilic/hydrophobic (e. g. Aerosil® - since 1943)

[https://grace.com/general-industrial/en-us/Documents/ludox\\_br\\_E\\_2012\\_f120504\\_web.pdf](https://grace.com/general-industrial/en-us/Documents/ludox_br_E_2012_f120504_web.pdf)

# Classical nanofiller: Carbon black

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Motorcycle\\_tyre](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Motorcycle_tyre)

- nearly 70 % for tire industry ▶▶



- of the remaining 30%
  - 70% as pigment black and of this
    - 40 % for the plastics industry and 40 % for printing inks

# Uses of classical nanofiller silica

- **fumed/pyrogenic silica:**

- **reinforcing filler**
- **thickening/thixotropy**
- **antisetling agent**
- **dispersant**
- **free flow agent**



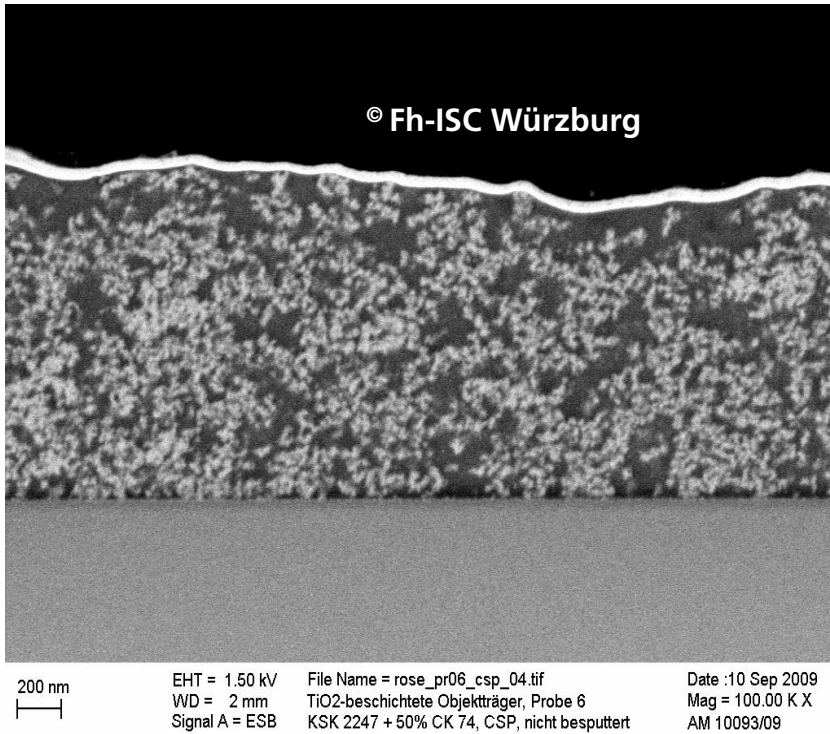
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- **precipitated silica:**

- **paper industry**
- **CMP slurries**
- **coatings, paints**
- **metal casting**
- **catalysis...**

# Example for the use of TiO<sub>2</sub>-nanoparticles: Photocatalysis



**Transparent hybrid polymer coating with TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles showing photocatalytic activity**

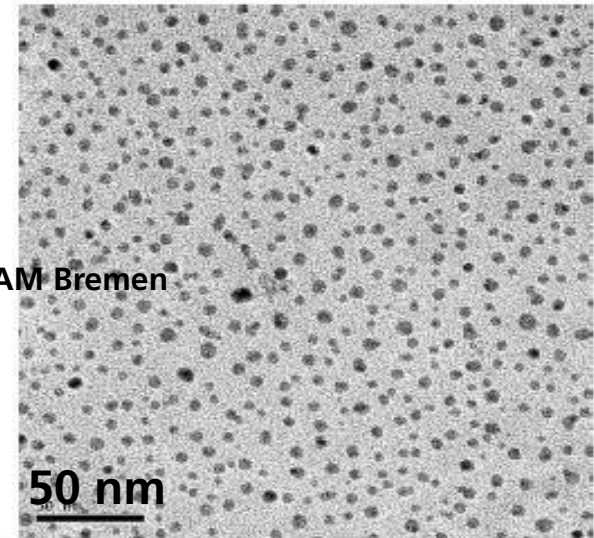
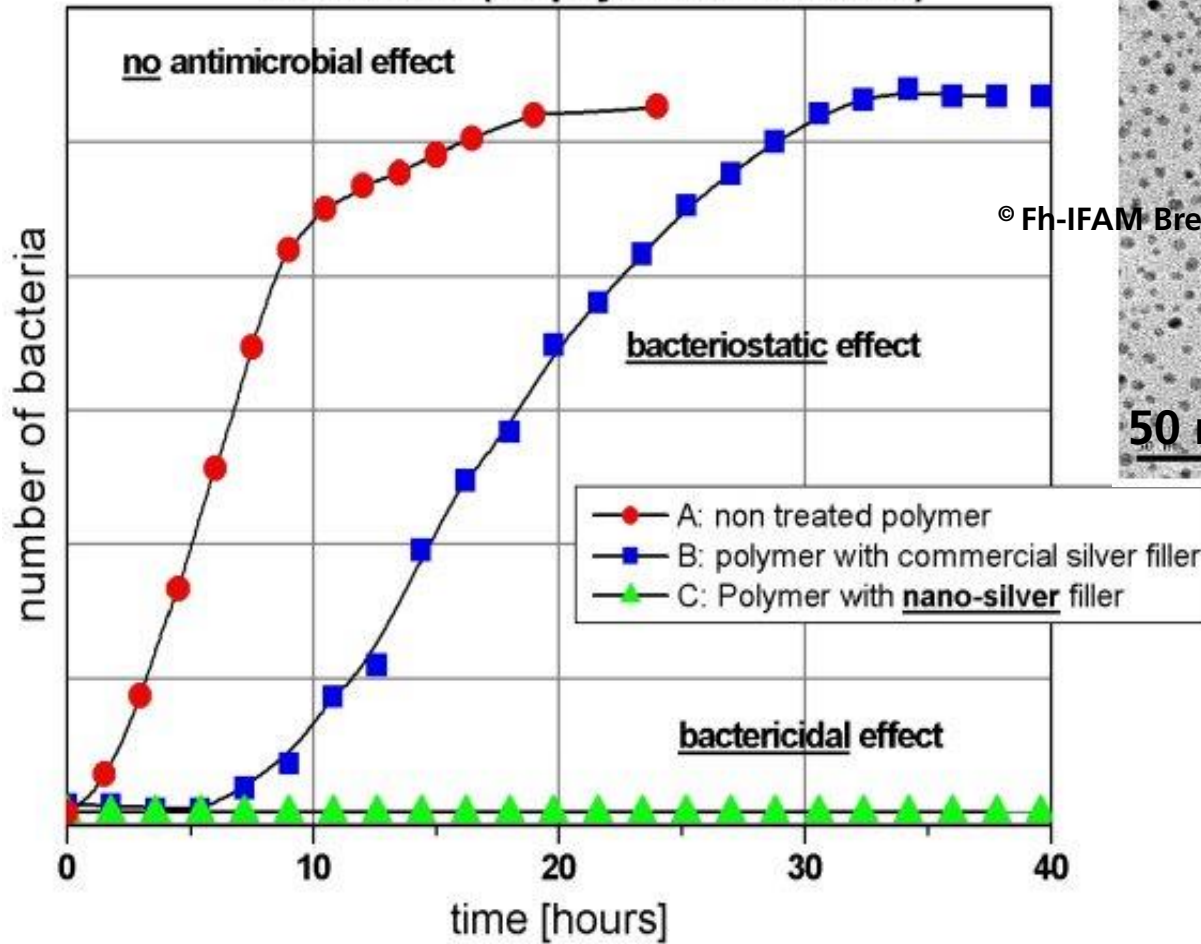
Source: Fraunhofer-ISC

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# Example for the use of Ag-Nanoparticles: Antimicrobial

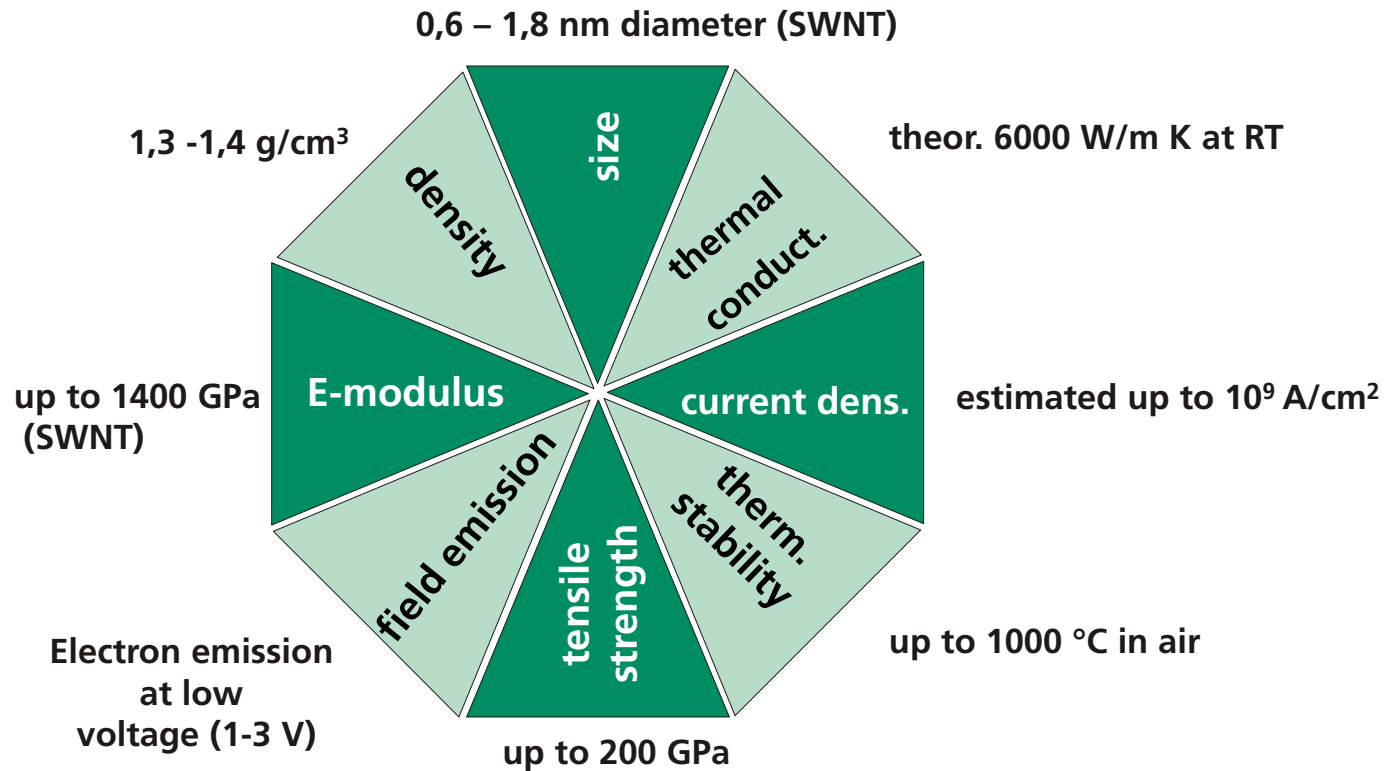
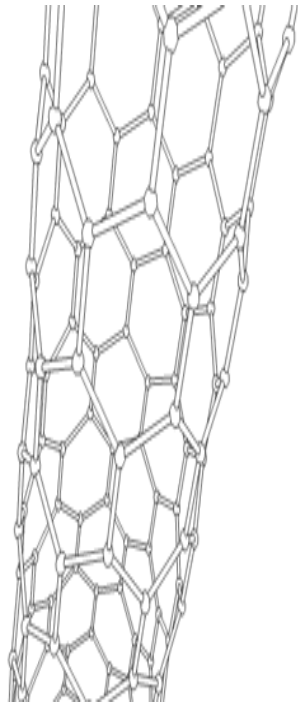
Antimicrobial effect of materials on bacteria (Staphylococcus aureus)



antimicrobial  
surfaces:  
composition of  
polymer matrix  
determines release  
of Ag<sup>+</sup>  
WO 2005 /048708  
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Source: Fraunhofer-IFAM Bremen

# Carbon nanotubes: SWNT and MWNT



[http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/7/76/Kohlenstoffnanoroehre\\_Animation.gif](http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/7/76/Kohlenstoffnanoroehre_Animation.gif)

according to Vohrer et al 2007

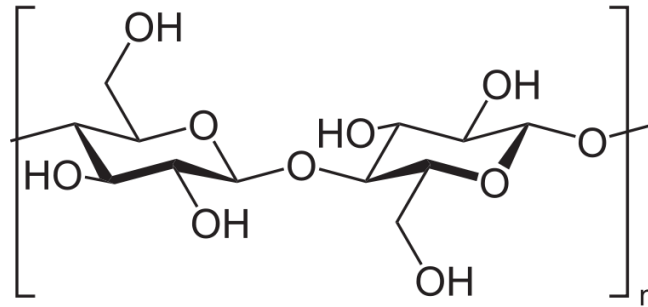


# Typical production methods for CNT

| method         | types         | purity                    | scalability | costs          |
|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Arc discharge  | SWNT          | post processing necessary | low         | expensive      |
| CVD (catalyst) | MWNT and SWNT | good                      | high        | cost effective |
| Laser ablation | MWNT          | high                      | low         | expensive      |
|                |               |                           |             |                |

# New nanomaterials

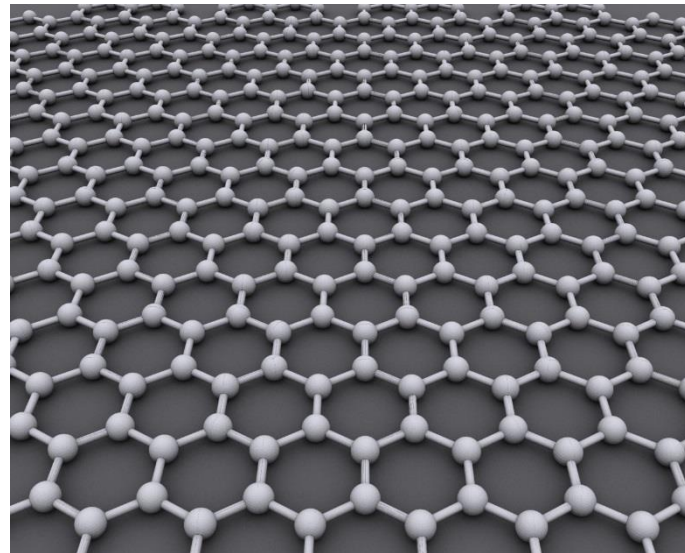
- **Nanocellulose:**



Source Wikipedia <http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cellulose>

**intra- and intermolecular hydrogen bonding**

- **Graphene:**  
**2 dimensional carbon**



<http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/9/9e/Graphen.jpg>

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# Nanocellulose production methods

S. Rebouillat 2013

- **Two steps:**
  - **Pretreatment of raw material to obtain individual cellulosic fibres**
  - **Fibrillation -> transformation of individual cellulose fibres into micro- and nanofibrils**

Cellulose nanomaterials from trees; [www.tappinano.org/ppt/Nano-powerpoint.pptx](http://www.tappinano.org/ppt/Nano-powerpoint.pptx)

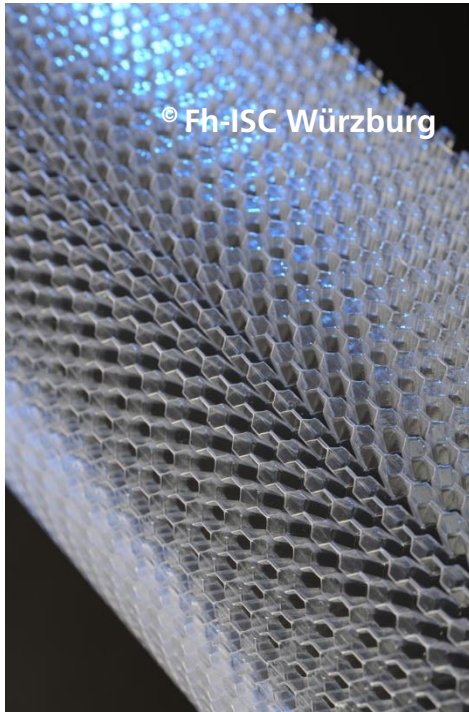
# Potential nanocellulose markets and applications

(high-volume markets, worldwide, reasonable estimate) J. Cowie et al 2014

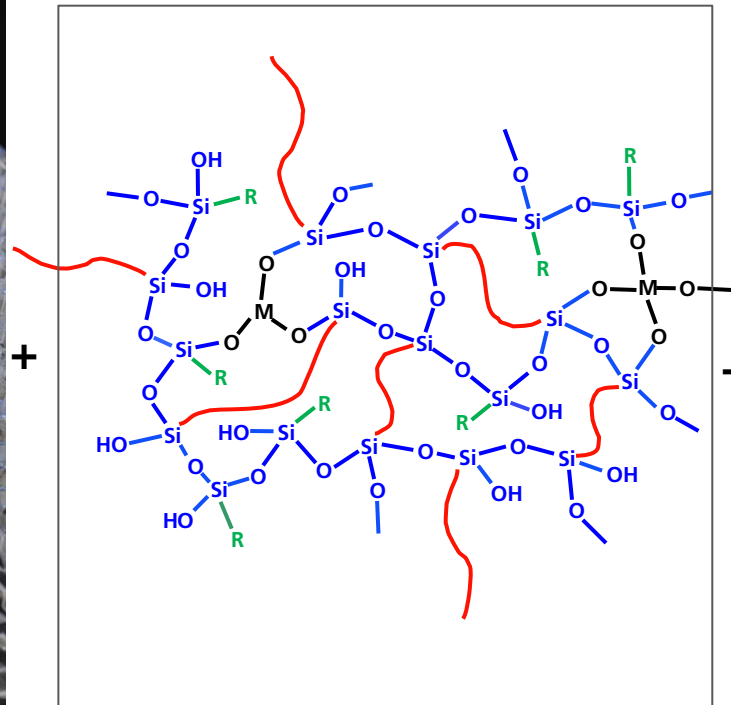
| <b>Selected markets/applications</b> | <b>Metric tons (thousand)</b> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Packaging coatings</b>            | <b>5278</b>                   |
| <b>Replacement plastic packaging</b> | <b>4153</b>                   |
| <b>Cement</b>                        | <b>4130</b>                   |
| <b>Automotive body</b>               | <b>3573</b>                   |
| <b>Hygiene and adsorbents</b>        | <b>3241</b>                   |
| <b>Textiles</b>                      | <b>2543</b>                   |
| <b>Paper filler</b>                  | <b>2394</b>                   |
| <b>Packaging filler</b>              | <b>2394</b>                   |
| <b>Paper coatings</b>                | <b>2167</b>                   |
| <b>Automotive interior</b>           | <b>587</b>                    |

# Example for nanocellulose as filler in coatings for light-weight structures

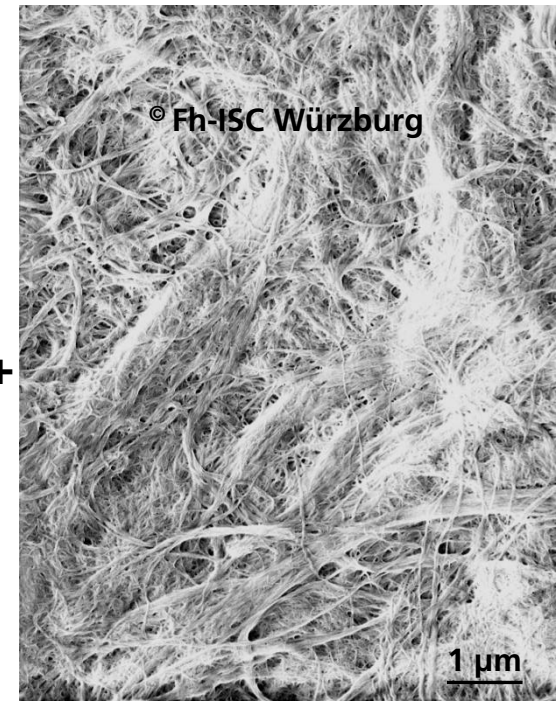
europaean project INCOM



light weight structure



hybrid polymer matrix



nanocellulose

source: Fraunhofer ISC

# Various synthesis methods for graphene

(R. Garg et al 2014)

| method                 | precursor                | Electronic quality | Advantage                       | Disadvantage                             |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Mechanical exfoliation | Graphite                 | high               | inexpensive                     | poor yield, not scalable                 |
| Arc discharge          | Graphite                 | high               | doping possible (B, N)          | not for pure graphene, not scalable      |
| Wet chemical           | Graphite                 | high               | TCO, composites                 | Oxygen impurities, scalability unclear   |
| CVD                    | Hydro-carbon             | high               | best method so far; scalability | film transfer complicated                |
| Solvothermal           | Ethanol                  | bad                | cheap precursor, scalable       | defects                                  |
| Epitaxial growth       | Ultrathin graphitic film | high               | single and multilayer possible  | complicated high T-process, not scalable |

# Graphene: Application forecast up to 2018

<http://www.idtechex.com/research/reports/graphene-markets-technologies-and-opportunities-2013-2018-000333.asp>

- ITO replacement
- High strength composites
- Functional inks
- Super caps (electrical)
- Super caps (electronic)
- Academic research
- Sensors (replacement)
- Sensors (new)
- Composites
- RFID

# Summary

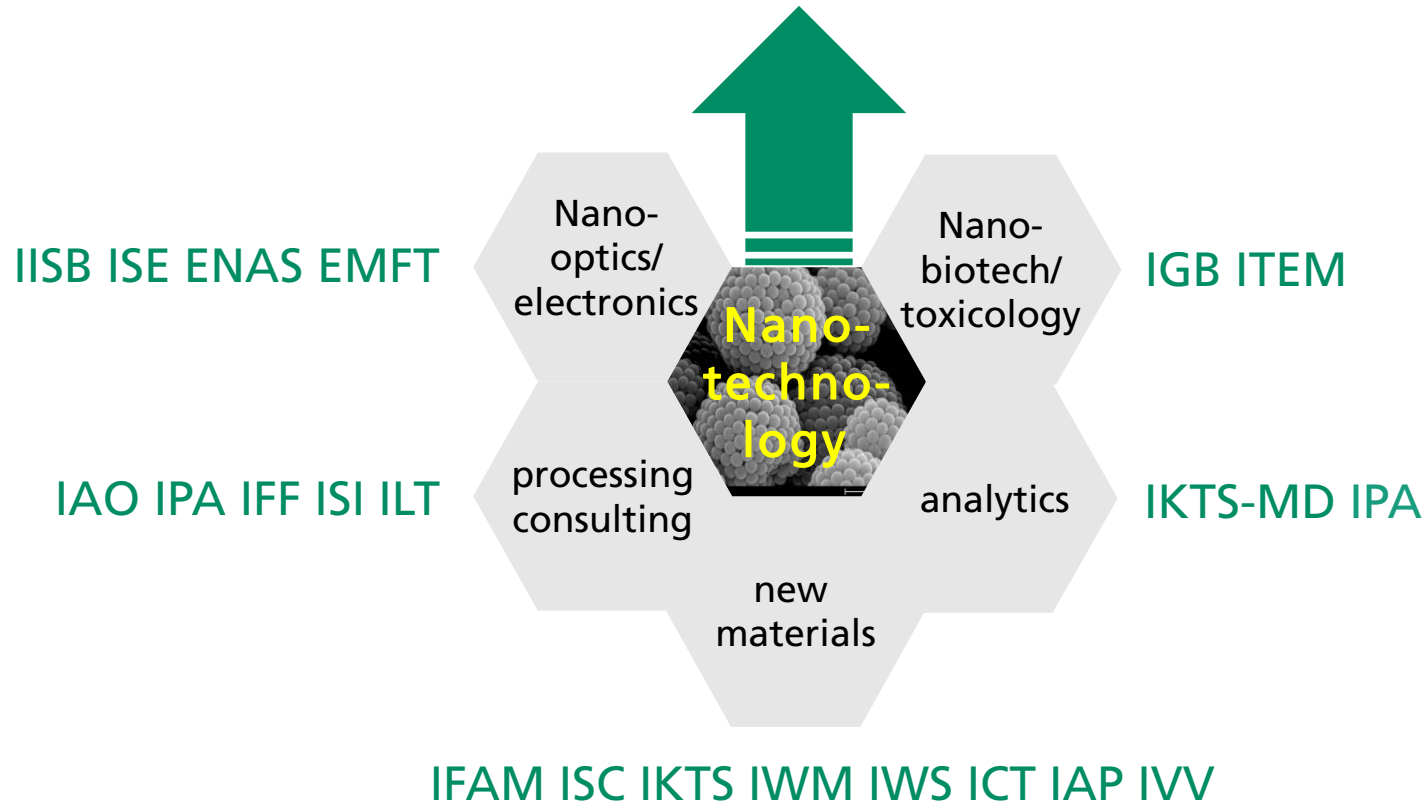
- **nanomaterials are interesting due to their size dependent properties, they are used in many industries and application areas**
- **classical nanomaterials cover more than 90 % of the market**
- **distinction between nanoobjects and nanostructured materials sometimes not easy due to agglomeration**
- **nanoobjects are often used as intermediate products e.g. for coatings**
- **new nanomaterials are slowly increasing in use**
- **new players: nanocellulose, graphene**



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**Thank you for  
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