

*Functional materials
development using accelerator-
based light sources:
current capabilities and future prospects*

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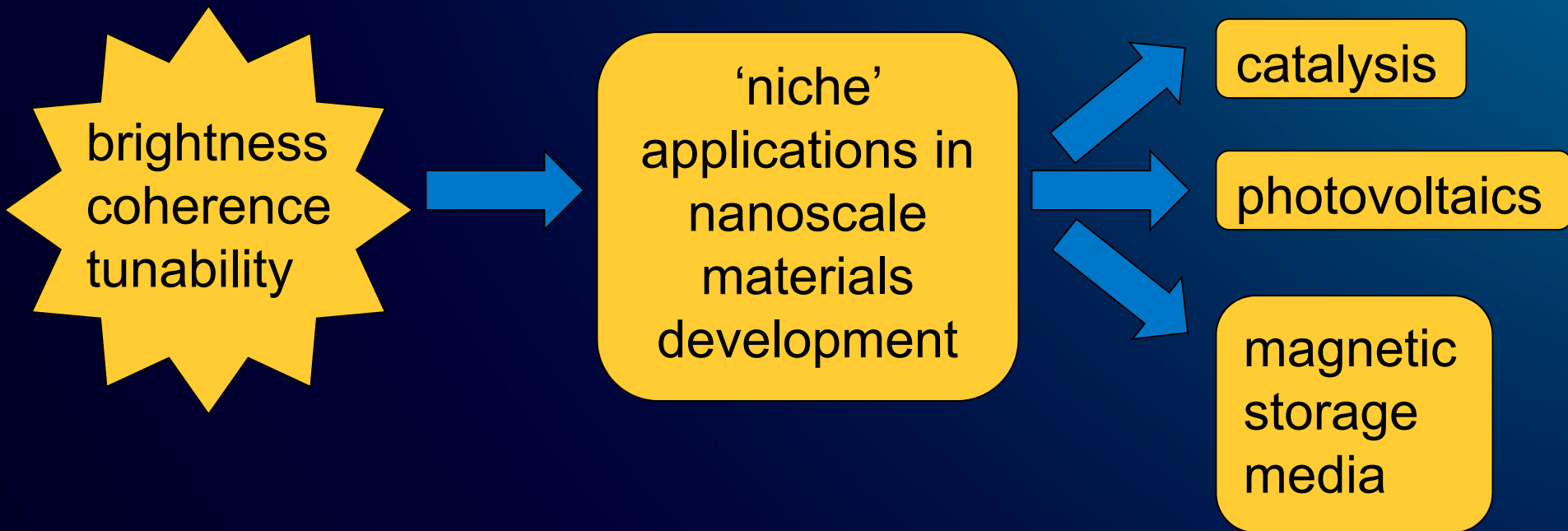
Accelerators for America's Future

... 'opportunities and challenges for particle beams in energy and environment, medicine, industry, national security and discovery science..'

- recognises the importance of electron synchrotrons and FELs for X-ray and photon science...
- but unsuitable for industrial materials processing.....

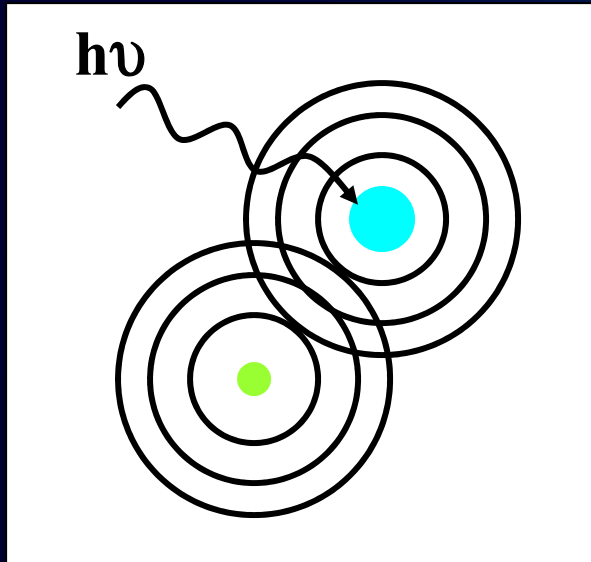
So I could end the talk here.....

- There are very few applications of synchrotron radiation for industrial scale materials production or processing
- but 3rd and 4th generation SR offers unique capability from

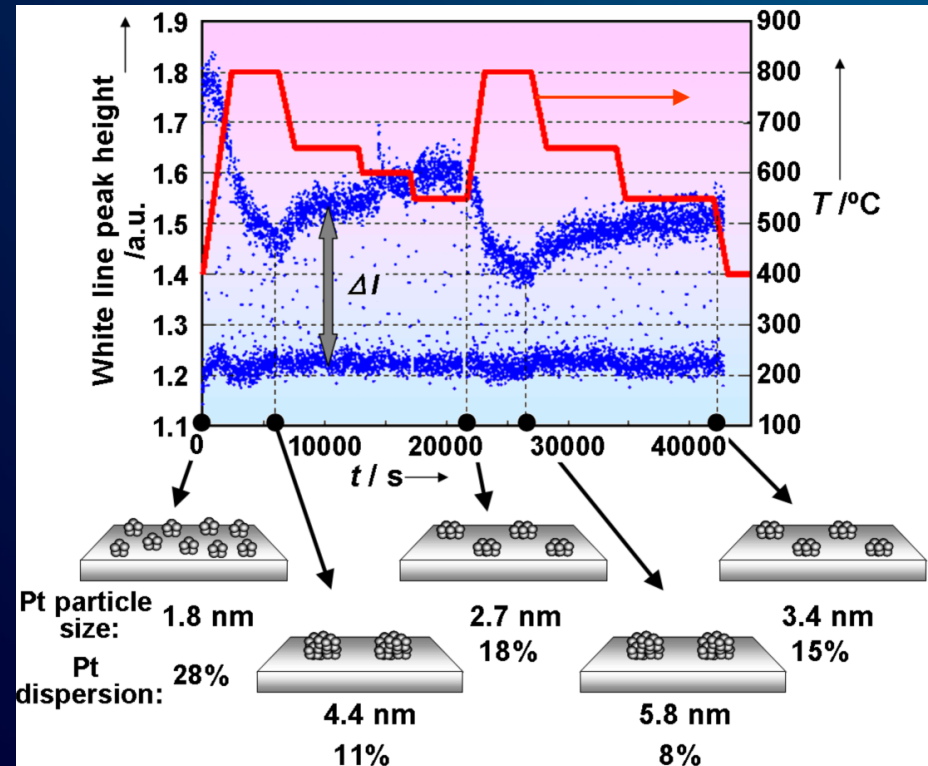
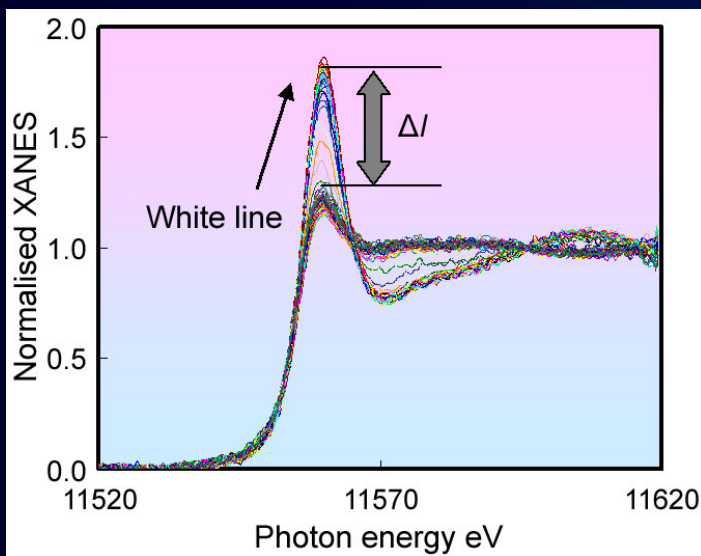
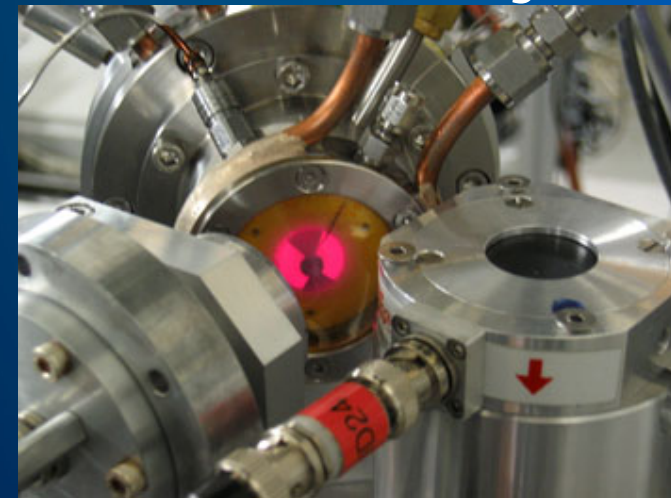


- So I will aim to illustrate some examples of real impact.....

Improving the lifetime of car exhaust catalysts

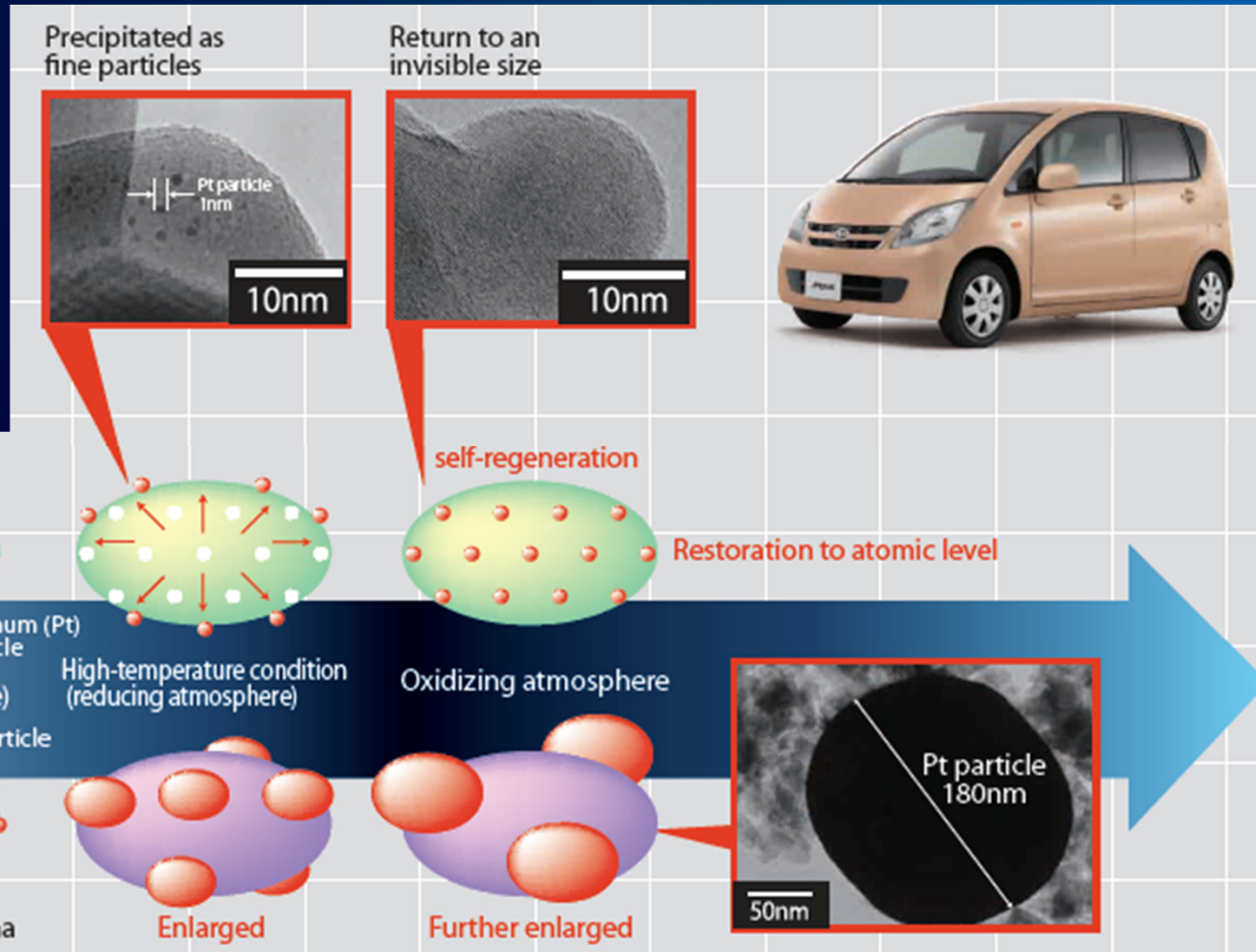


- EXAFS 'white line' intensity allows relationship between particle size and catalyst temperature to be monitored *in situ*.
- Can be incorporated into 'on board' control.



Intelligent catalysts for car exhaust control

- Cycles between metal (reduced) and perovskite oxide (oxidised) demonstrated by *in situ* EXAFS
- Installed in more than 4 million vehicles by July 2008



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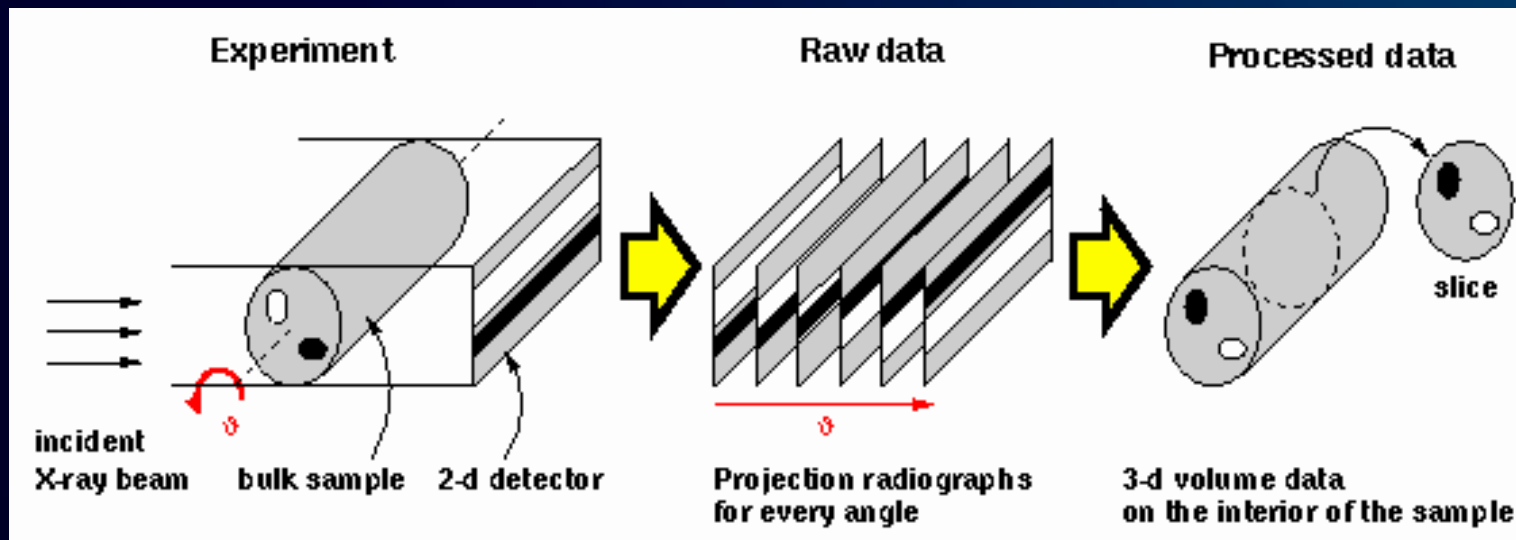


X-ray microtomography



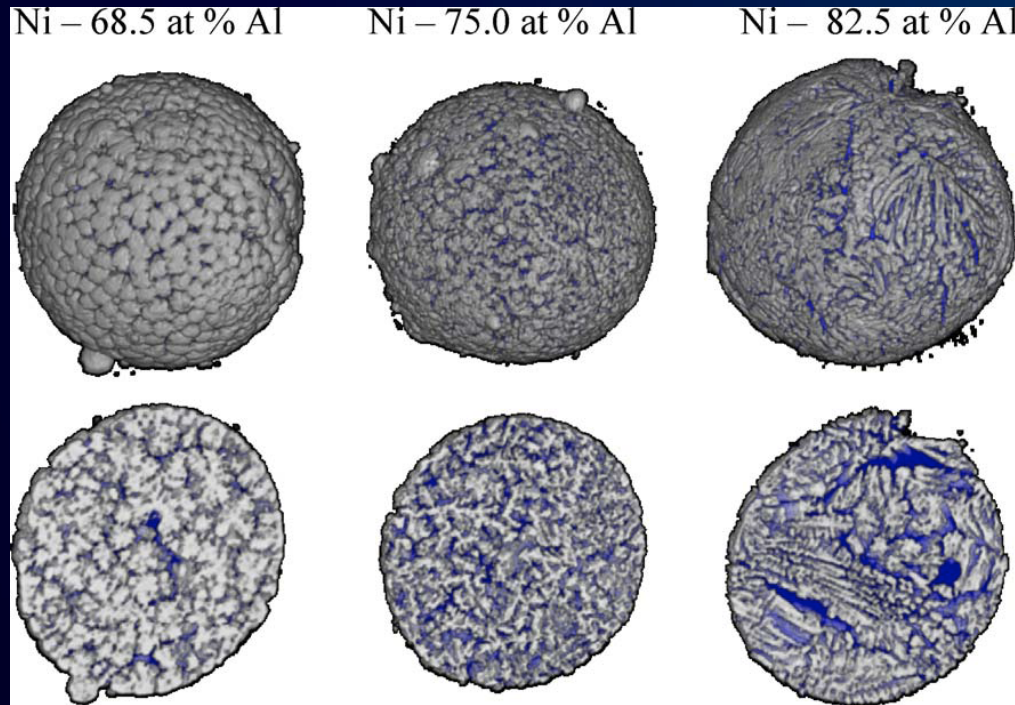
- Uses SR brilliance, small source size
- Penetration depths 10 μm - 10 cm (soft - hard X-rays)
- Resolution 100 μm - 100 nm
- Non-destructive
- Yields chemical information when combined with X-ray fluorescence

100 million-year old pollinators! (May 2012)

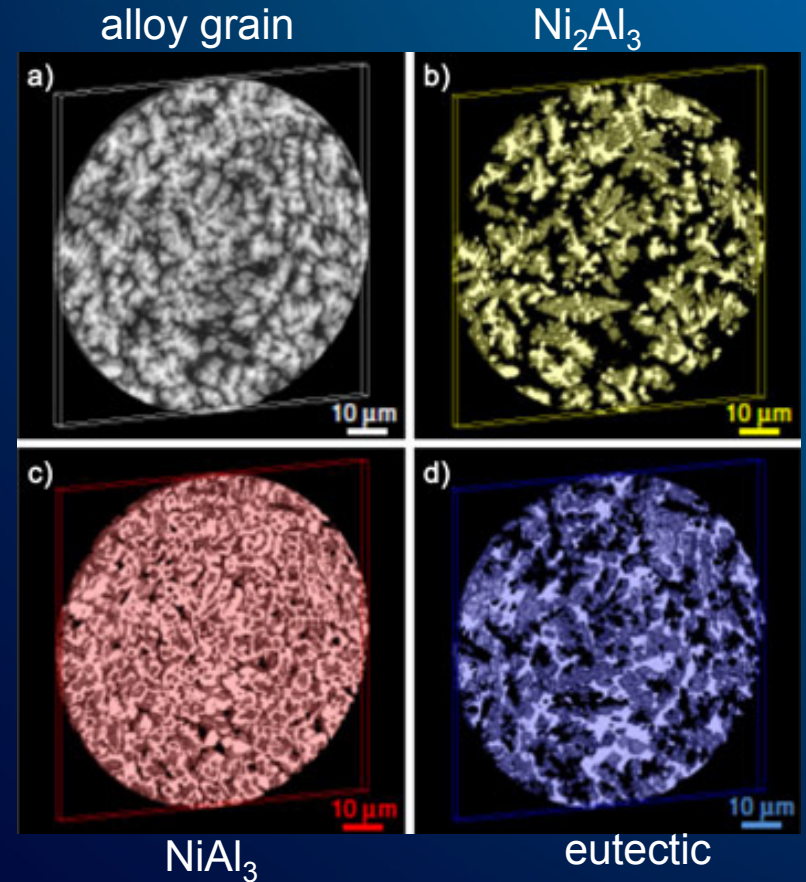


Redesigning hydrogenation catalysts

- X-ray tomography used to establish porosity and phase composition as function of preparation conditions
- Activity doubled compared with conventional Raney Ni catalyst



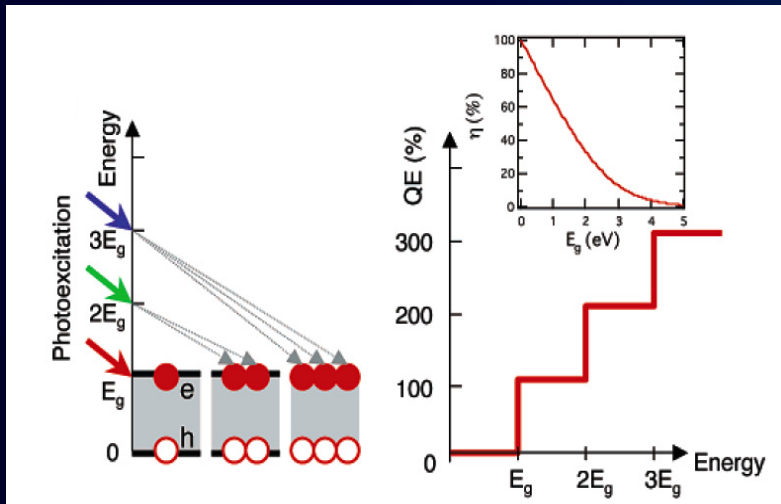
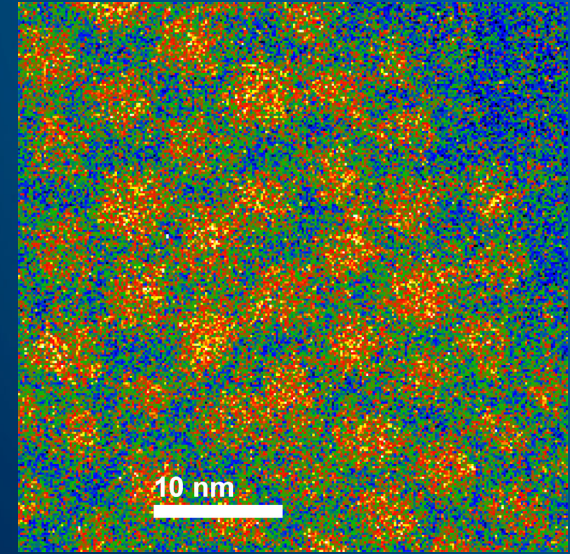
After leaching, dendritic Ni_2Al_3 network remains



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Characterising Colloidal Quantum Dots

- Uses in displays and next-generation solar cells
- Potential for significant efficiency improvement from carrier multiplication
- Issues: how to characterise complex 'core-shell' structure, surface degradation



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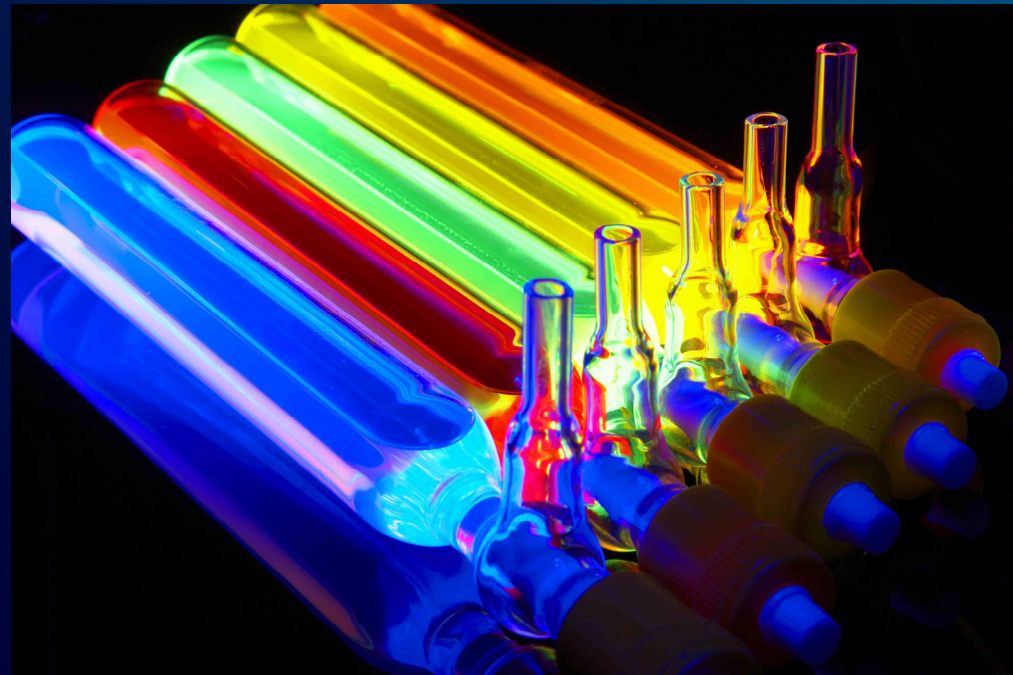
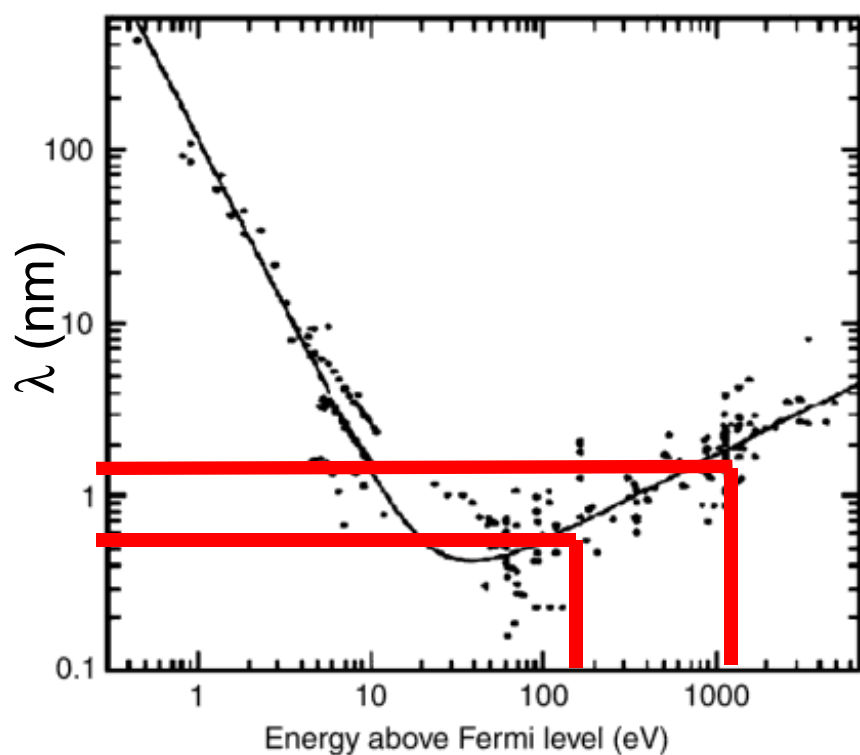


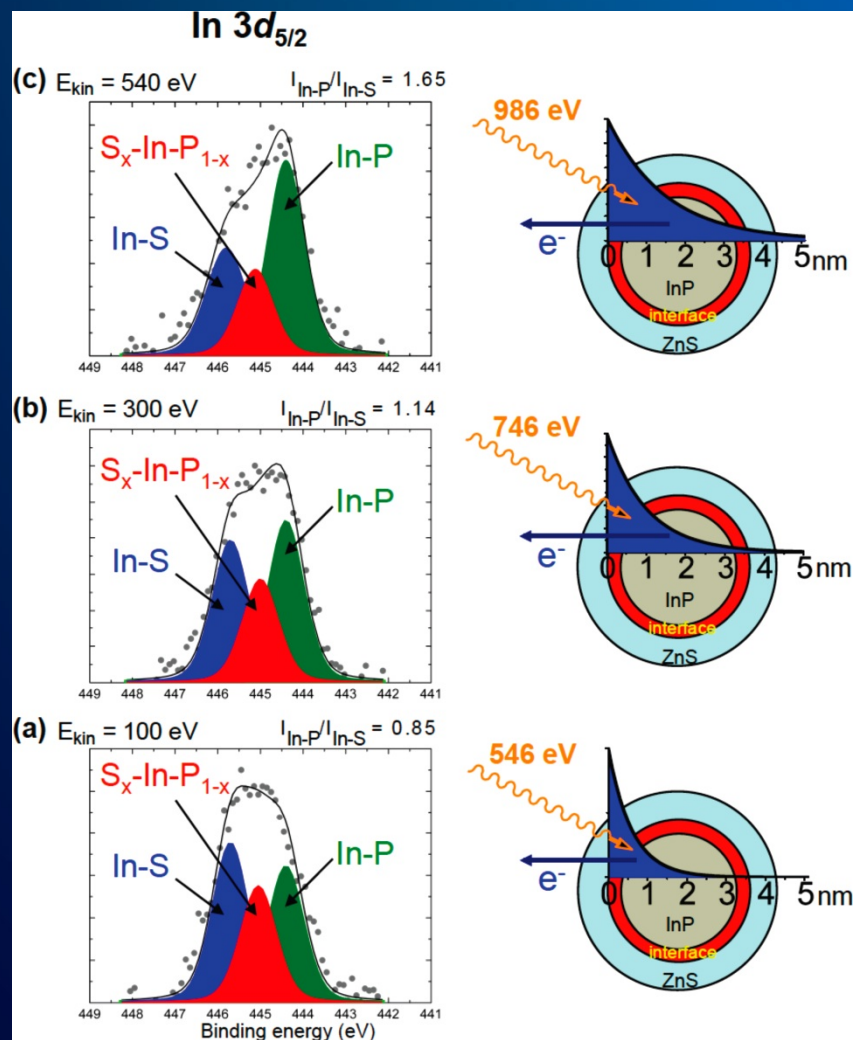
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Non-destructive depth-profiling by SR

Inelastic Mean Free Path Curve

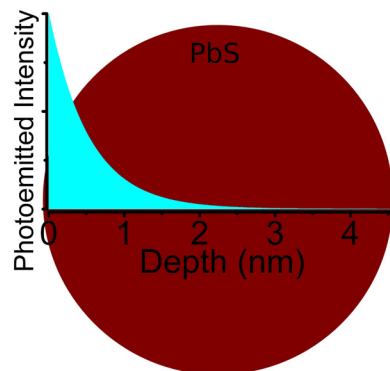
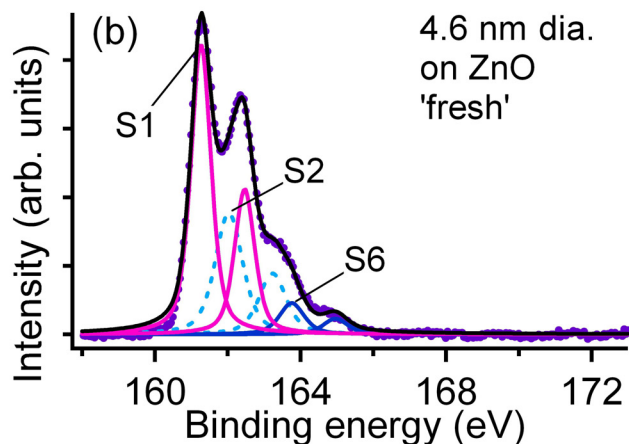
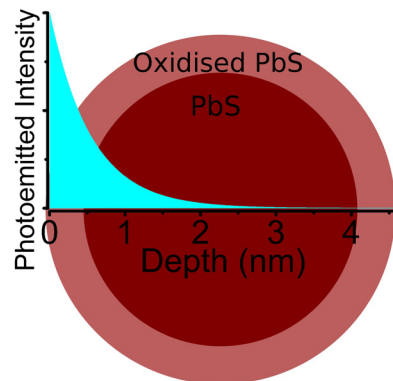
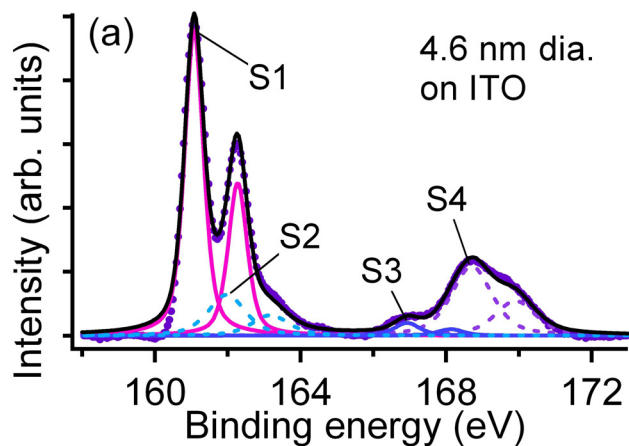


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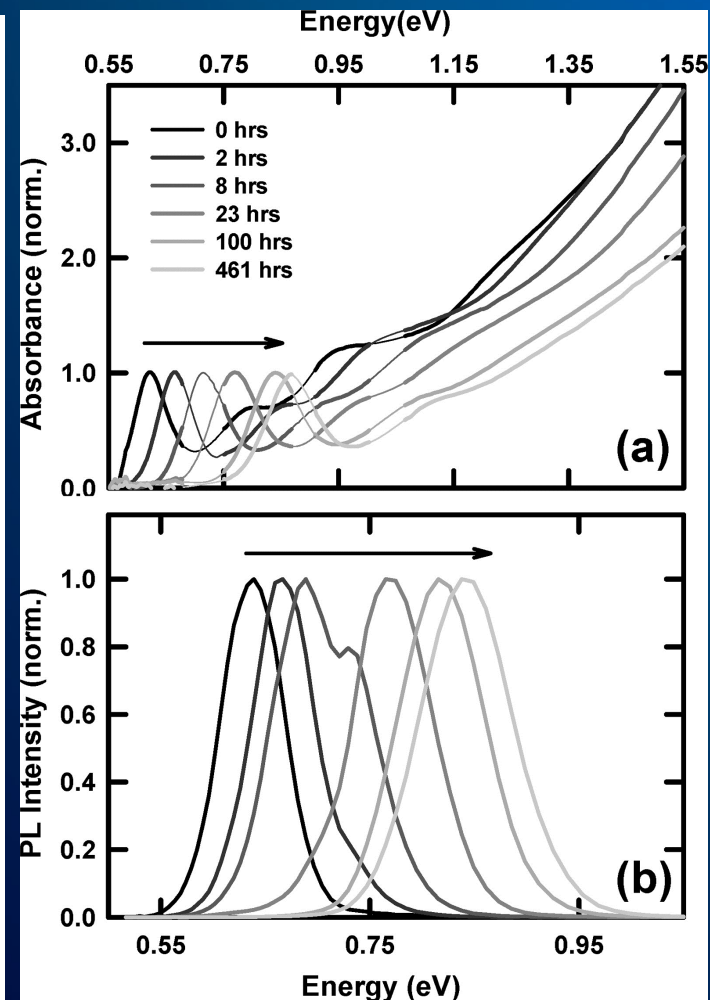


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A handle on surface ageing



HR XPS reveals surface oxidation of PbS QDs



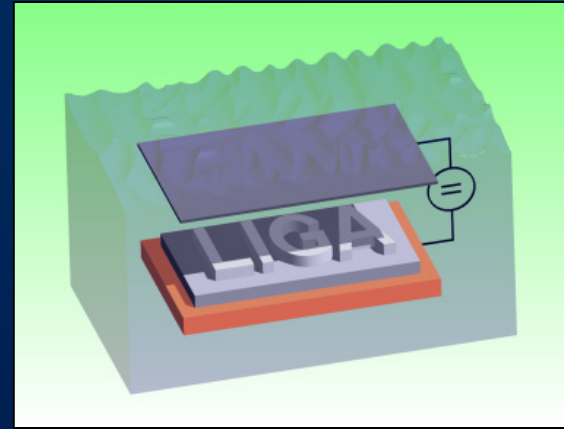
Blue-shift with degradation in PbSe QDs

LIGA: niche areas for SR?



LI → lithography

- coating
- exposing
- developing

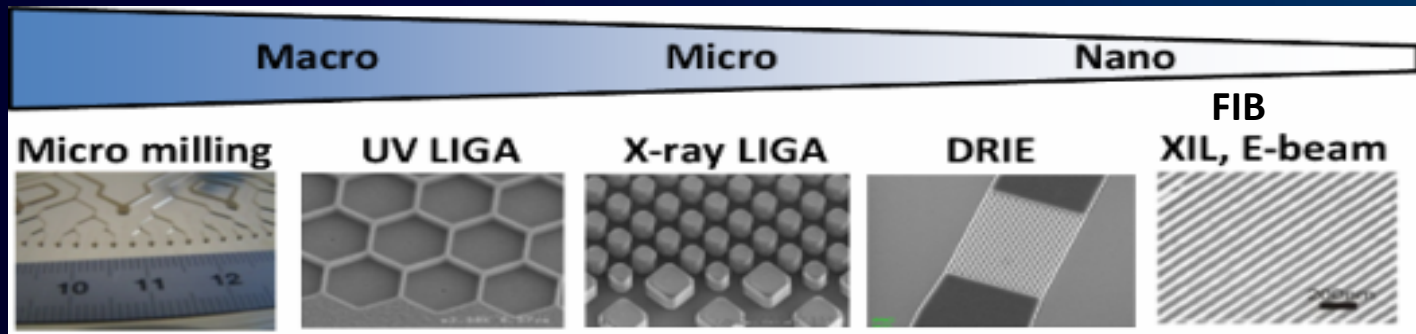


GA → electroplating

(in German ‚Galvanik‘)

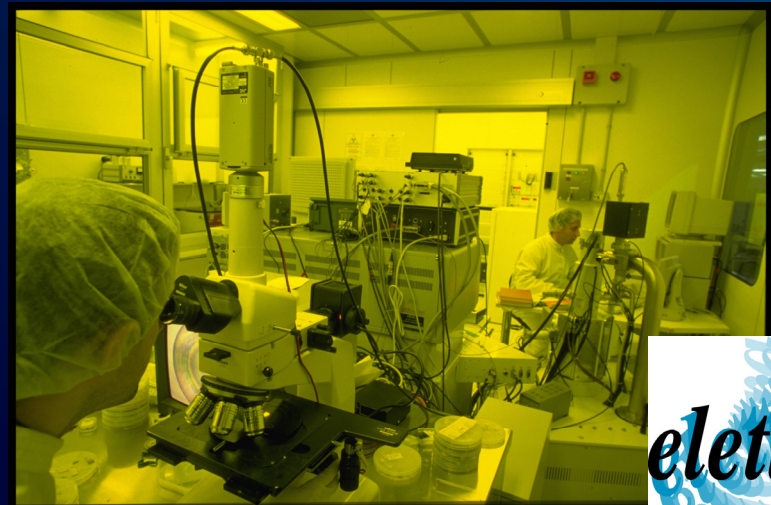
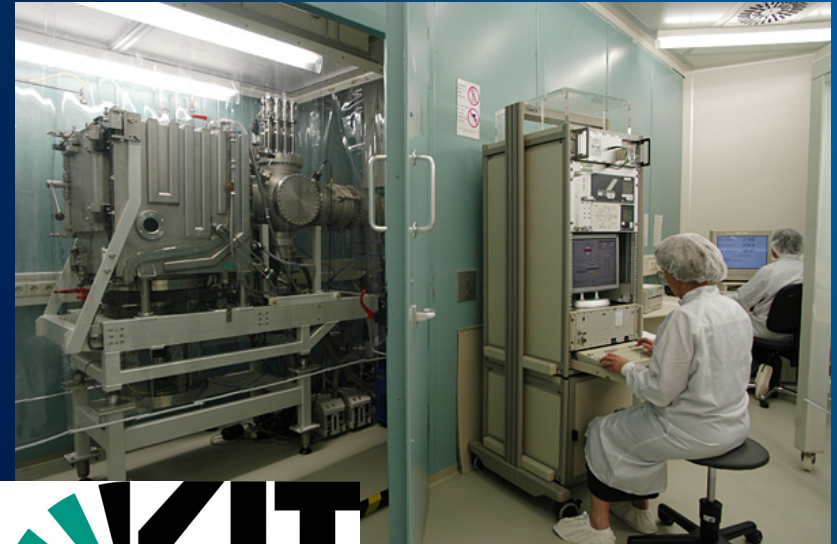
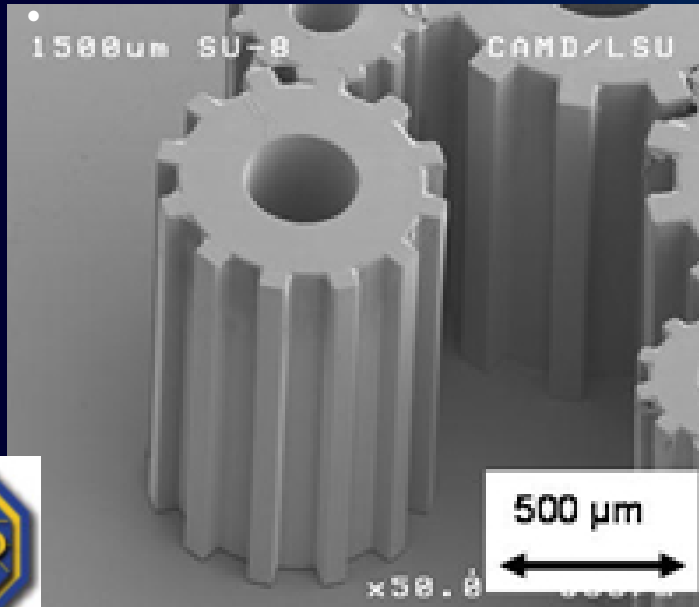
- electro-chemical deposition of a metal from a salt solution

→ Metallic components through filling up of polymer patterns



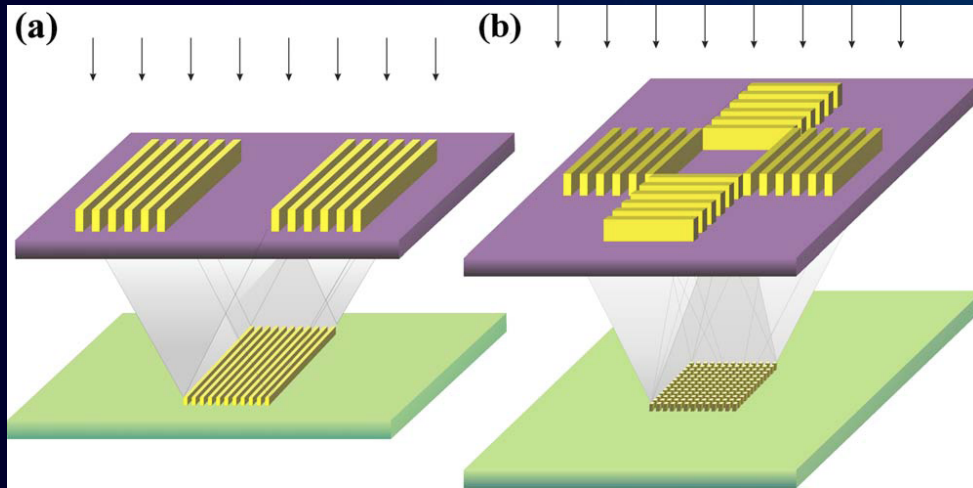
X-ray lithography for microfabrication

- Widely implemented at specialised sources and at national facilities, largely for R&D



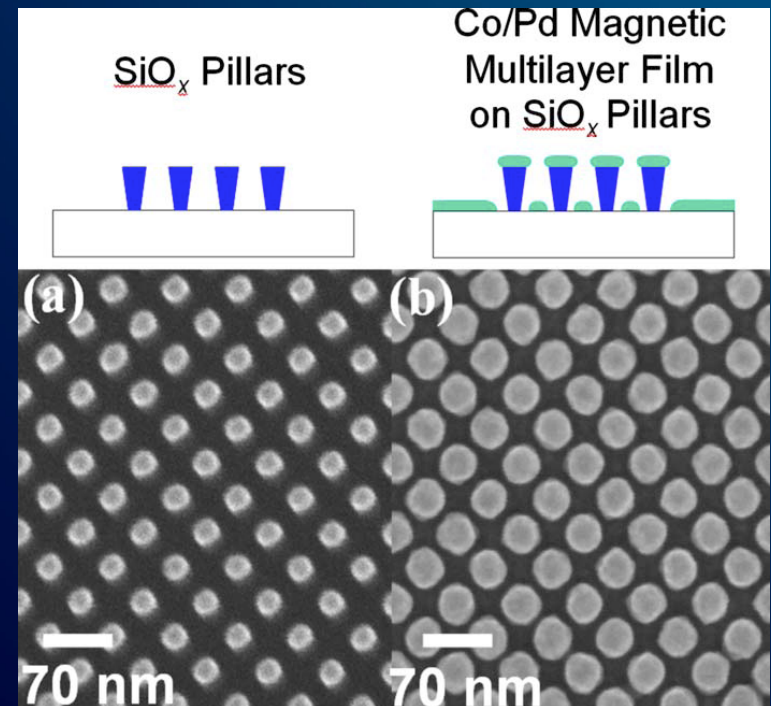
....and many more

Bit-patterned media prepared by EUV-IL



- Uses coherence of SR
- 2 and multi-beam interference schemes generate lines and dots
- High resolution and high throughput
- Much smaller proximity effects than EBL

- Used to produce 50 nm period magnetic islands
- Each bit of information is stored in an individual island
- Over $20 \times 20 \mu\text{m}^2$ area with narrow size distribution
- Data storage density of $> 1 \text{ Tbit/in}^2$ achieved



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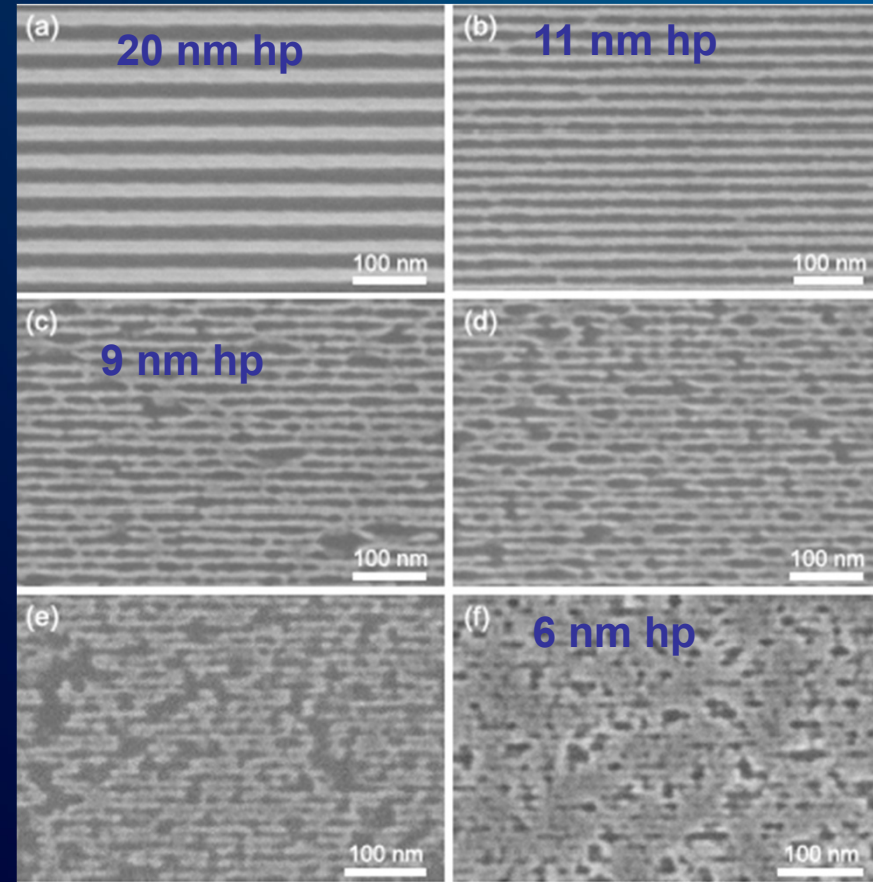
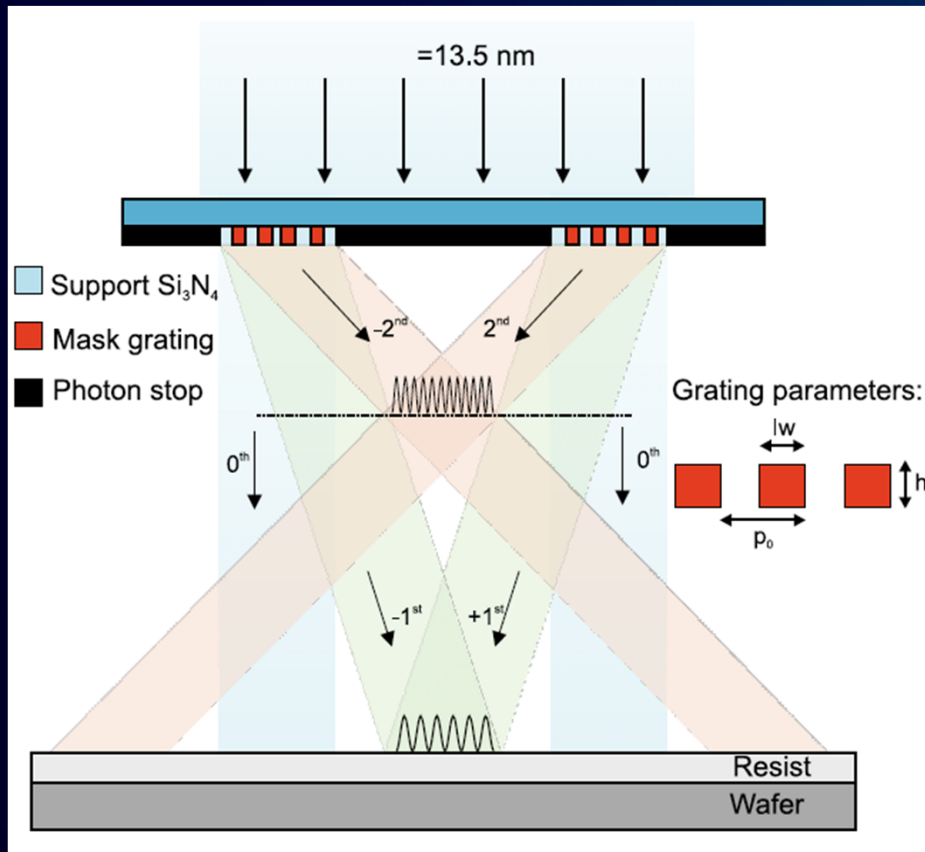
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Sub-10 nm features by EUV-IL

Aug 2011 Current record in photon-based lithography:
Top-down meets bottom-up?

- interference pattern from 2nd order diffraction
- Mo gratings fabricated by EBL, sub-50 nm scale



Prospects for FELs - synthesis

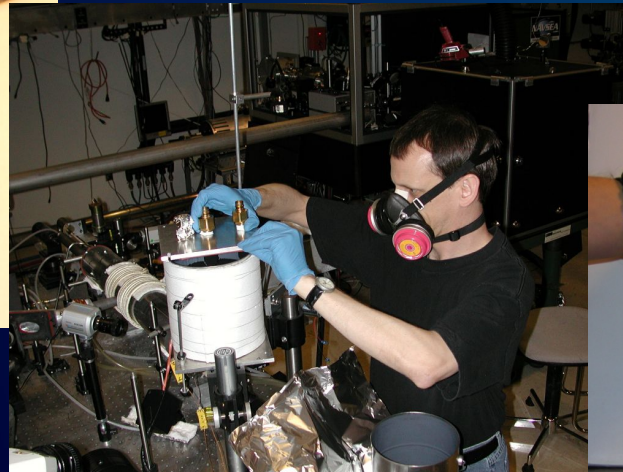
NASA/JLab Nanotube Synthesis since 2000 - Research to Production



New and used target



From target to product, 100% in-house

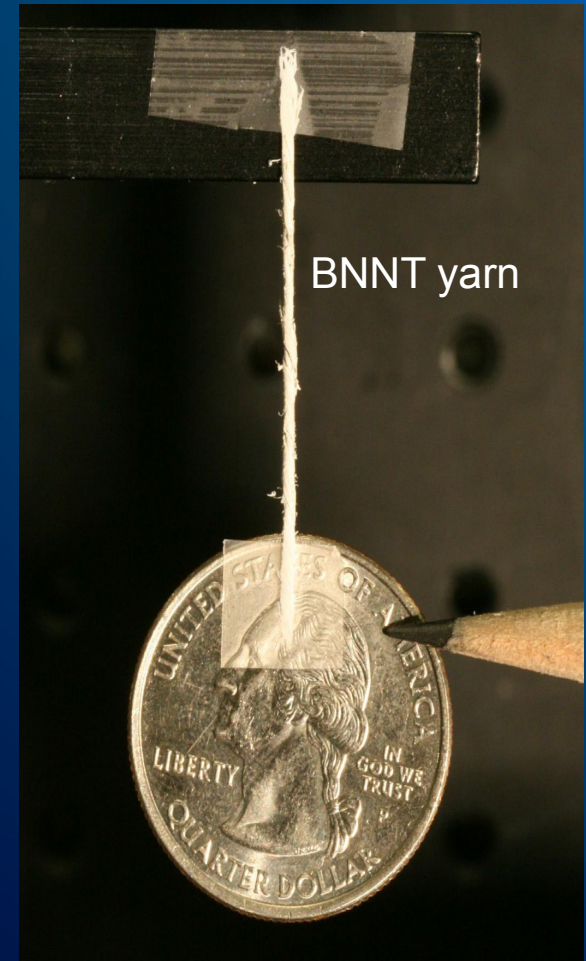
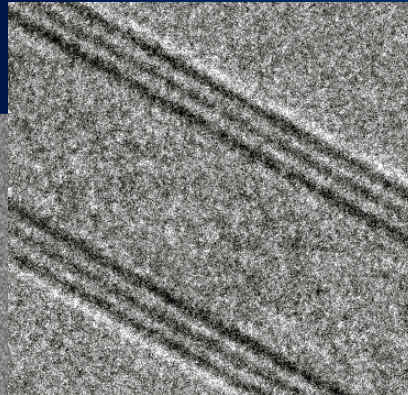
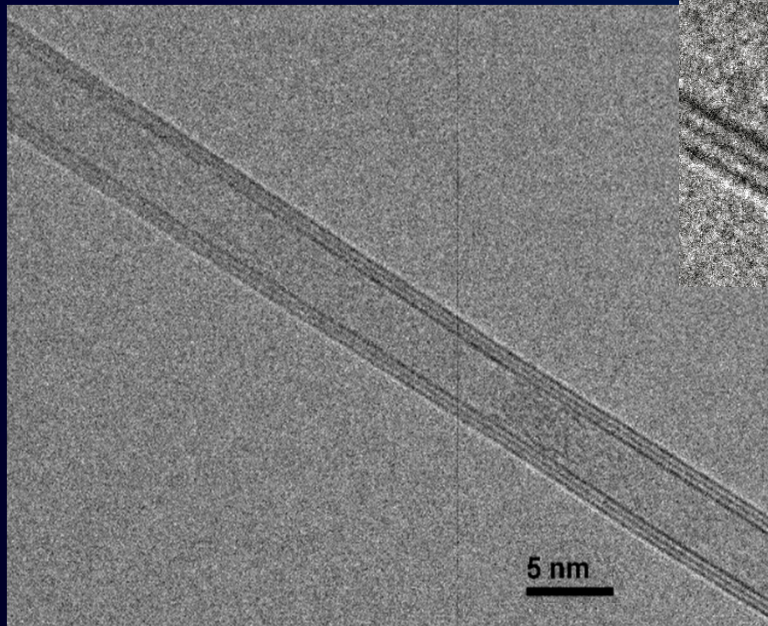


Product, ~1 hour of beam time

- Production with 750 W at 1.6 μm is routine.
- Production rate of 2-6 g/hour of high quality, “research grade” raw material cost competitive in \$400/g market.
- Nanotube diameter is strong function of laser parameters - possibility of “designer” tubes
- Used for fibre-reinforced materials for aerospace applications

Boron nitride and hybrid nanotubes

- Pressurised vapour/condenser method (B vapour in N₂ gas, no catalyst)
- Few-walled NTs, aspect ratio > 10⁵
- Basic technique developed at FEL, then continued with conventional laser
- Strong, tough (impact protection), good thermal conductivity, radiation shielding (aerospace applications) and not black.
- Technology licensed to BNNT.com

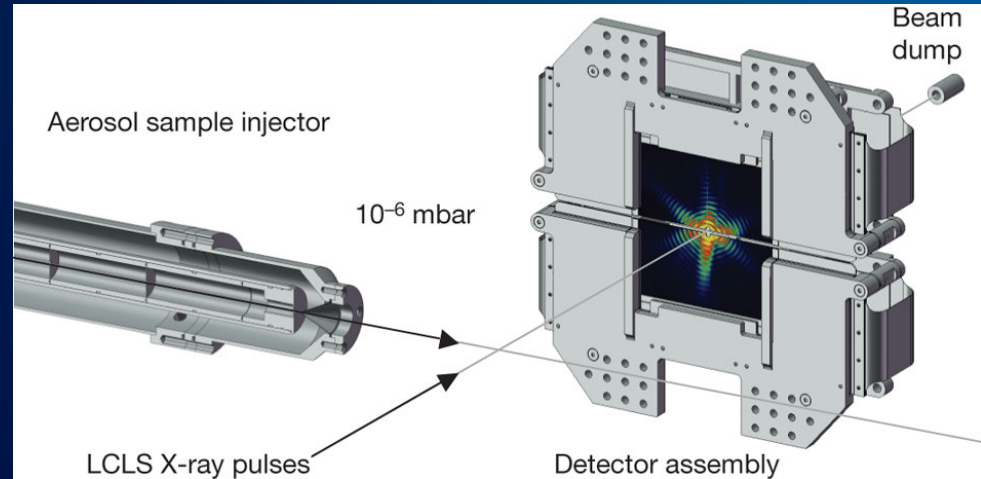
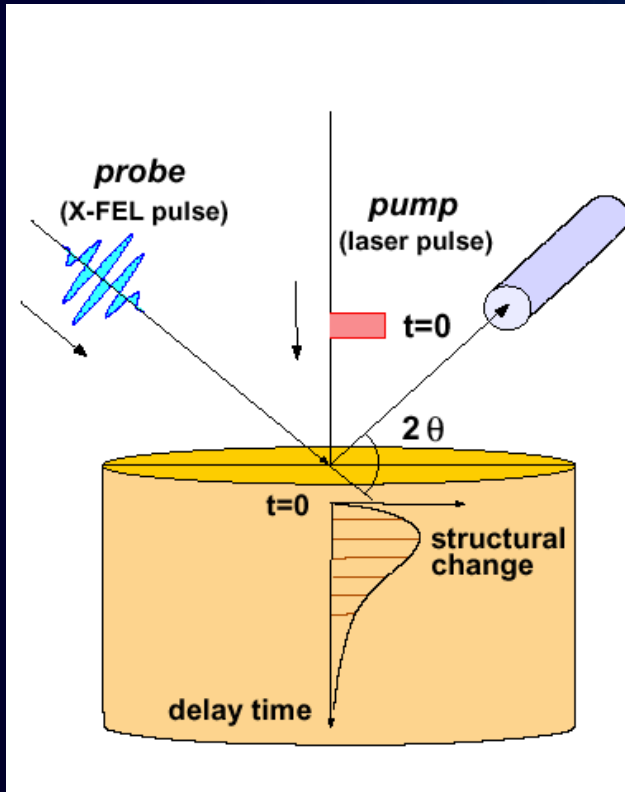


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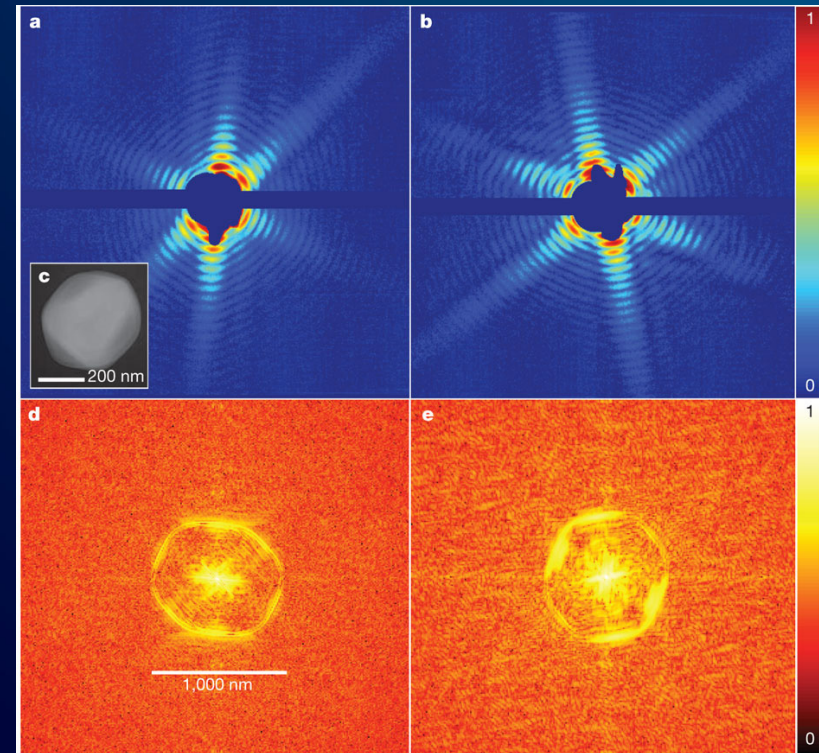
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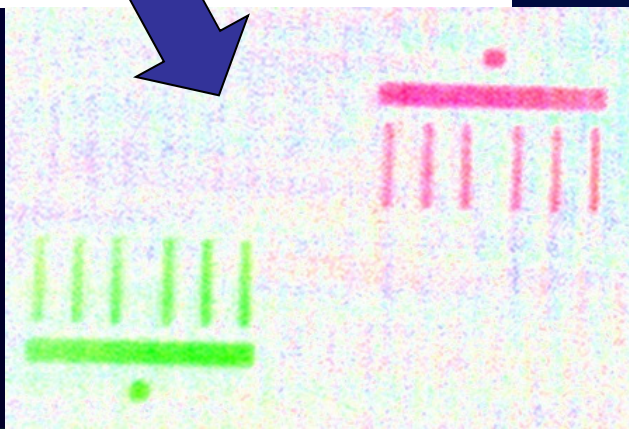
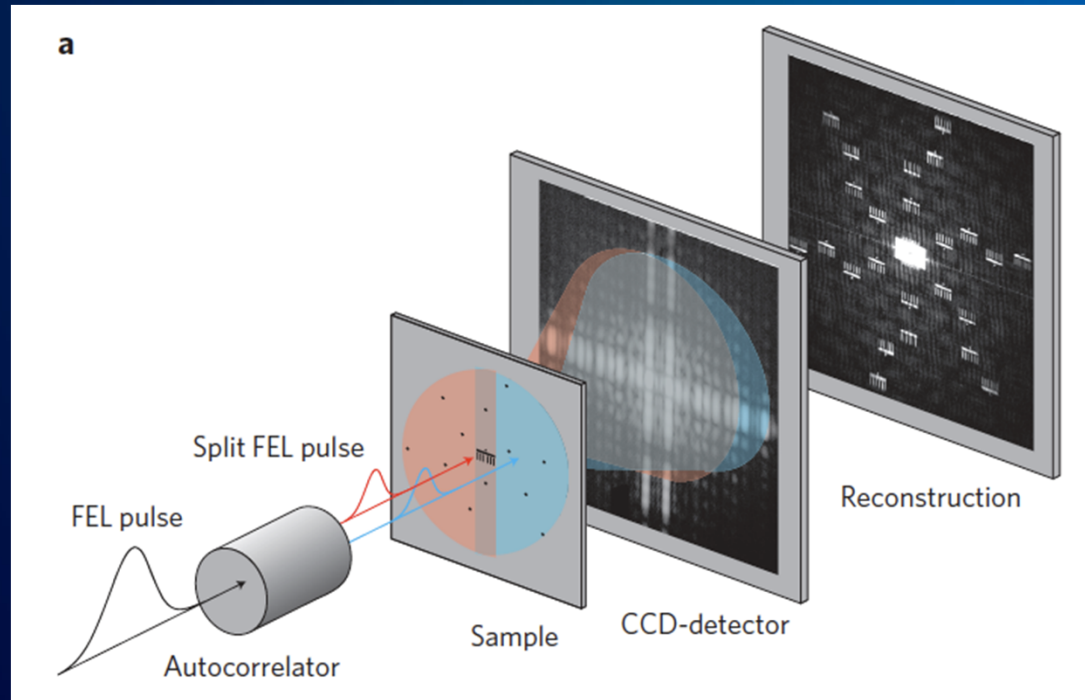
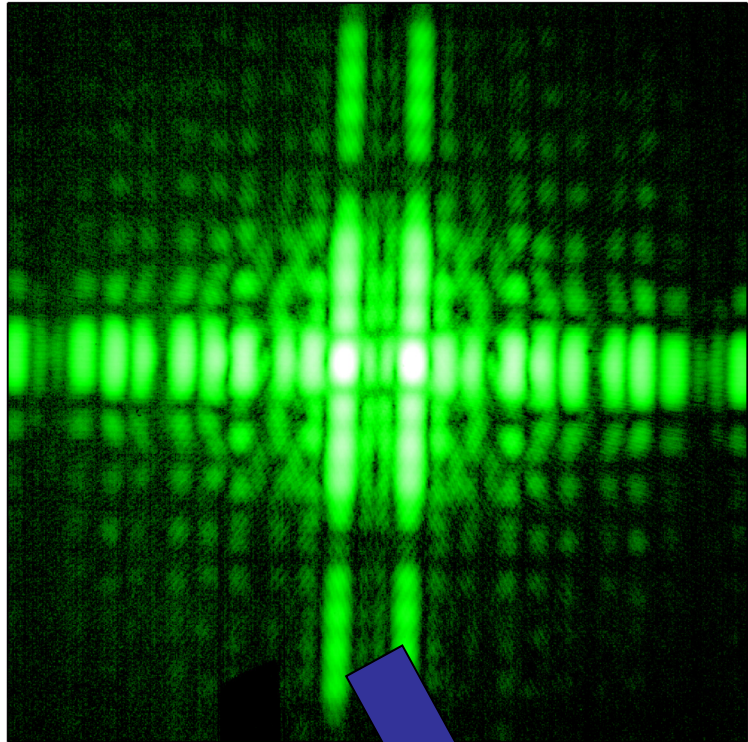
Prospects for FELs: time-resolved diffraction



- Interpretable single shot diffraction obtained from single mimivirus particles at 32 nm resolution
- 15,000 shots recombined to give structure of Photosystem I at resolution down to 8.5 Å



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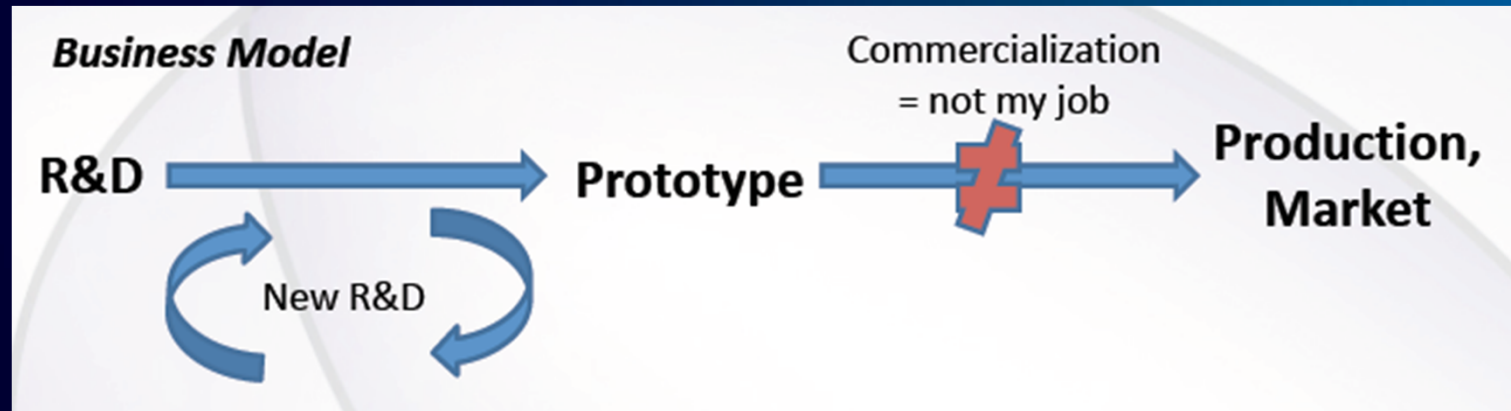
- two sequential images obtained at separation of 50 fs
- World's fastest movie! (Guinness BWR)
- 2 images from split pulse recorded as superimposed hologram



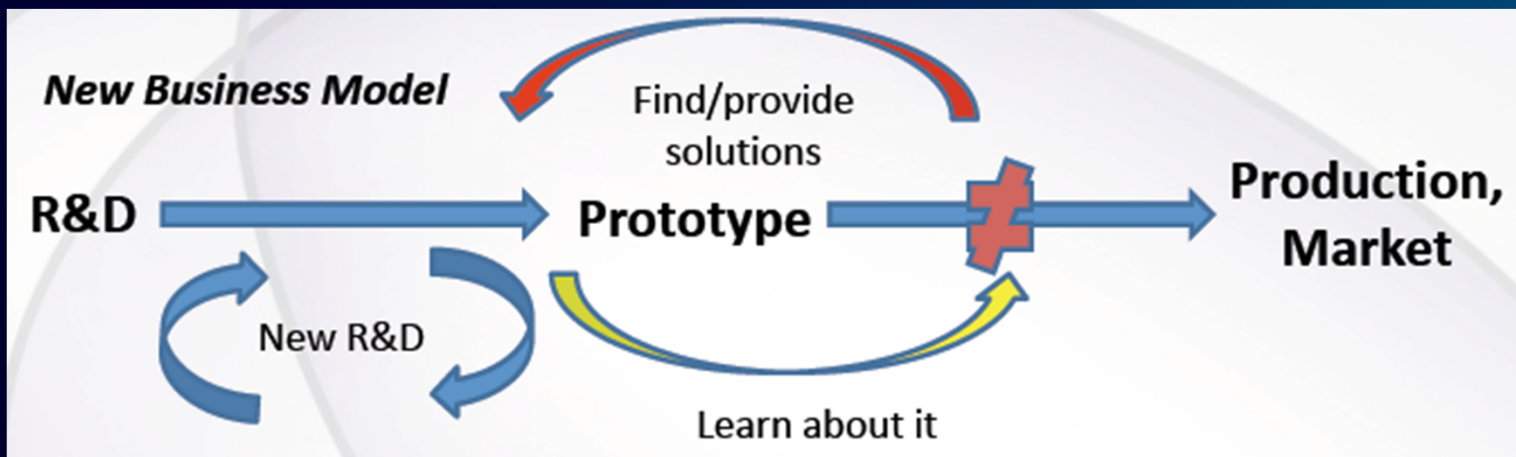
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What's the issue with industrial exploitation of SR?



- Maybe OK for one-off specialist application (satellite, military); performance rather than unit cost

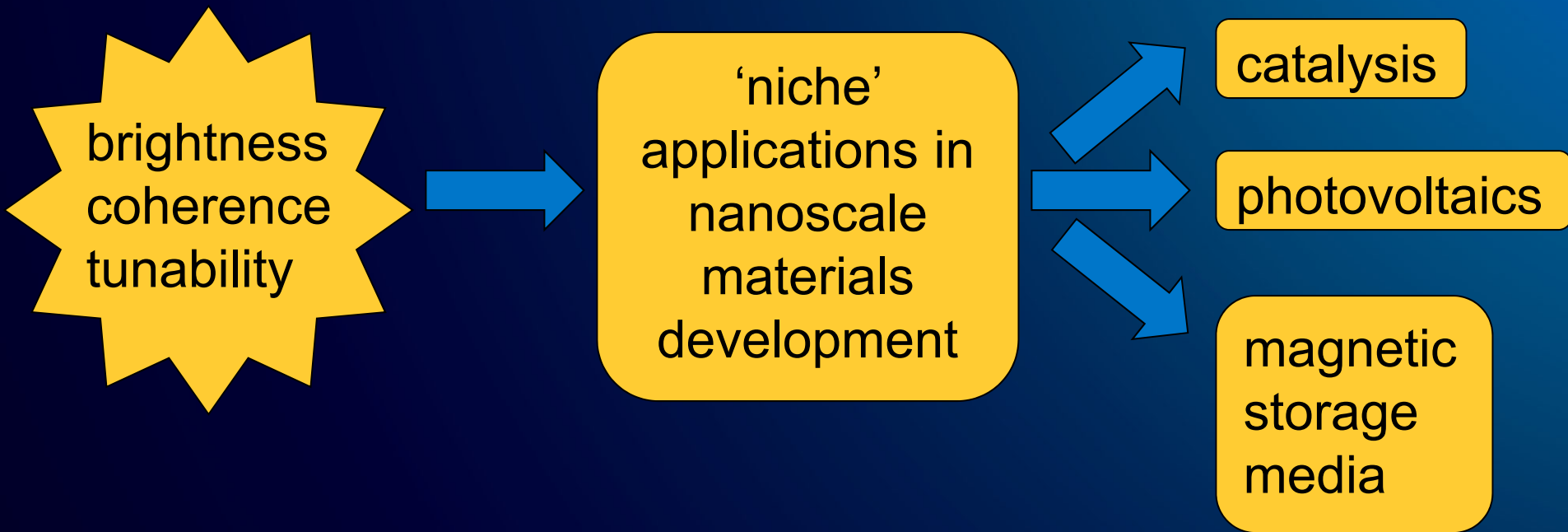


- process developments at FEL/SR transfer offline
- link-up with larger manufacturing concern
- licensing



Conclusions

- 3rd SR offers unique capability from



- FELs offer the dynamic information to complete the picture, and synthetic capability that needs to be explored much further
- but SR scientists need help getting from prototype to production/market

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