

Nanomanufacturing

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A New Epoch in Manufacturing

1900-1960

Capital-Resources-Labor

1960-1990

Engineering Productivity and
Scientific Discovery

1990-Present

Knowledge-People-Innovation

Future ???

New products and enterprises
enabled by Nanomanufacturing
R&D

Nanomanufacturing as part of that New Epoch

- **Nanomanufacturing:** activities and systems to produce, control, modify, manipulate, or assemble nanometer scale elements (< 100 nm) to deliver a product or system that exploit nanoscale properties.
- **Scale-up**
 - Producibility
 - Predictability
 - Productivity
- **Up-scaling Integration**
 - Across scales: nano-structures → functional devices → system architectures → products & services
 - Of materials & geometries
 - Across energetic domains: mechanical, electromagnetic, thermal, biological, chemical

Evolution of Nanomanufacturing

- **First generation ~ 2001:** Passive nanostructures such as nano-structured coatings, nanoparticles and nanostructured metals, polymers and ceramics.
- **Second generation ~ now:** Active nanostructures illustrated by transistors, amplifiers, targeted drugs and chemicals, actuators and adaptive structures.
- **Third Generation ~ 2010:** 3-D nanosystems and systems of nanosystems using various assembling techniques, networking at the nanoscale and new architectures.
- **Fourth Generation ~2015:** Heterogeneous molecular nanosystems where each molecule has a specific structure and role.

NNI History

The National Nanotechnology Initiative (NNI) was established in 2000.

- 22 federal agencies participate -- 11 having R&D budgets
- The Program component areas are as follows:
 - Fundamental nanoscale phenomena and processes
 - Nanomaterials
 - Nanoscale devices and systems
 - Instrumentation research, metrology, and standards for nanotechnology
 - **Nanomanufacturing**
 - Major research facilities and instrumentation acquisition
 - Societal dimensions

Key Need/Challenge Areas

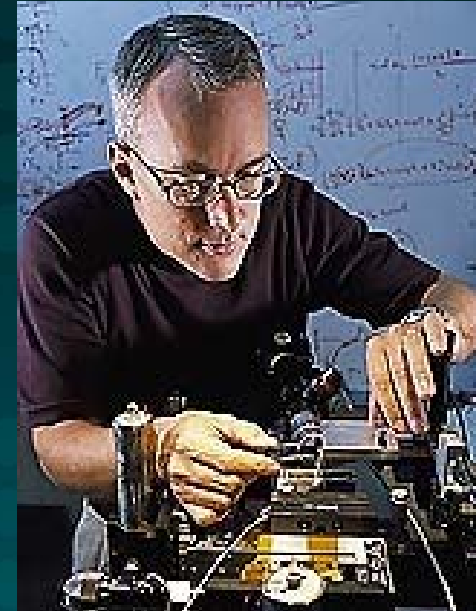
- Infrastructure Development and Standards
- Design, Manufacturing Processes and Systems, and Instrumentation
- Workforce, Societal Impact and Environmental Health and Safety



Key Research Challenges/Gaps

Infrastructure Development and Standards

- **Access to shared infrastructure**
 - National labs with state-of-the-art nanomanufacturing and metrology tools.
 - Cyberinfrastructure to support data driven tools and enterprises.
- **Standards development**
 - Performance models and data for equipment and nanoscale devices/systems.
 - New traceable standards.
- **R&D contributions needed:**
 - Advanced instrumentation and metrology.
 - Performance metrics, standards, and test methods.



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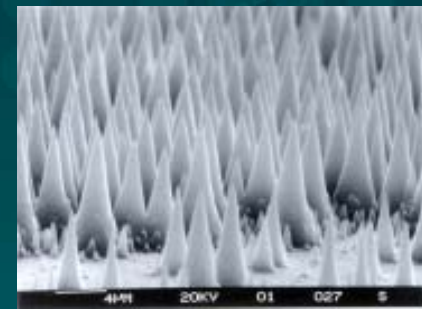
Design, Manufacturing Processes and Systems, and Instrumentation

- **Scalable Manufacturing Processes:**

- Directed and self-assembly approaches.
- Patterning and templating beyond 2D / 2D+ to true 3-dimensional structures.
- Ultra-precision positioning.
- Manufacturing processes to produce structures that are repeatable and exhibit engineering properties beyond placing nano-elements in close proximity.

- **R&D contributions needed:**

- New processes or hybrid systems that break down current limitations and support scalability.
- Sensing, actuation and control.
- New ways to “see” at the nanoscale.
- Biomimetic systems design and biotechnology-based processing.



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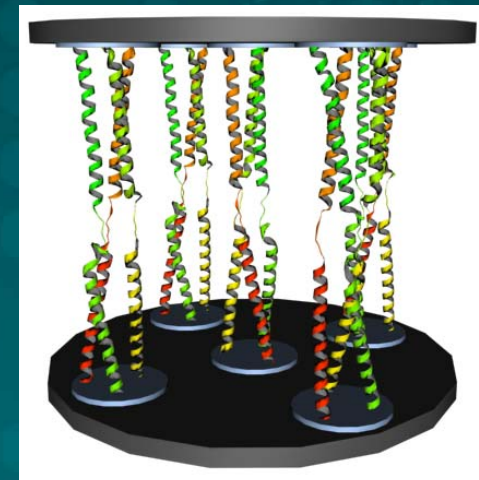
- **Virtual Design and Manufacturing**
 - Power of emerging virtual environment technologies and computational capabilities.
 - Tools that allow designers to dynamically cross size scales.
 - Reduce the uncertainty regarding nano-element position.
 - Controlled interaction and manipulation nanoelements will require new methods.
- **R&D contributions needed:**
 - Correlate virtual and physical environment.
 - Real-time imaging of nanomanufacturing processes.
 - Architectures for multi-scale design-manufacture models and functions.
 - Intuitive interface to explore phenomenon at the nanoscale of manufacture and metrology.



Key Research Challenges/Gaps

Design, Manufacturing Processes and Systems, and Instrumentation

- **Integration of nanoscale devices and systems**
 - Exploit functionality of nanoscale elements at device and system level.
 - Enable new methods that are not reliant on compatibility of processes.
 - Additional materials available to designer.
 - New methods to assemble components that were manufactured by incompatible processes.
 - Packaging.
- **R&D contributions needed:**
 - Interconnect design and realization.
 - Modular nanoscale building blocks.



Key Research Challenges/Gaps

Workforce, Societal Impact and Environmental Health & Safety

- **Workforce and Societal Impact**
 - Workforce to support a US nanomanufacturing industry.
 - Opportunity for developing new skills.
 - What will a nanomanufacturing industry be like?
- **R&D and Education contributions needed:**
 - Strong foundation in science, technology, engineering and math
 - Lifelong learning and training beyond high school.
 - Ethical, legal and societal implications of a nanomanufacturing industry.



Key Research Challenges/Gaps

Workforce, Societal Impact and Environmental Health & Safety

- **Environmental Health & Safety**
 - Accelerate efforts to adequately prepare the nanoscale manufacturing community and society.
- **R&D and Education contributions needed:**
 - New nanotech products for cleaning up environment.
 - Recycle/Reuse/Remediation processes
 - Environmentally benign manufacturing



Participating Agencies

- DoD

- Centers and Infrastructure
- Research focus - security, surveillance, and construction of materials used in defense technology, and battle field medical applications of nano biotechnology, Defense University Research Initiative on NanoTechnology (DURINT)

- DOE

- Nanoscale Science Research Centers, User Facilities
- Research focus - optical devices, nanometer-sized sensors, advanced computer architectures, ultra dense memories, and quantum-information science and technology

- DOEd

- K-12 education, Workforce training, and public awareness of nanotechnology and nanomanufacturing

- NASA

- Sensors, Structural Materials, & Nanoelectronics and Computing.

Participating Agencies

- NIH

- Research focus - medically related nanotechnology, tissue engineering, injectable nanoparticles, Bio-medicine, probes and instruments, anti-rejections materials, controlled release, nano-fiber technology targeted delivery system for anti-cancer drugs.

- NIST

- Advanced Measurement Laboratory
- Metrology, instrumentation, and standards.

- NSF

- Centers and infrastructure
- Research and educational

- USDA

- Food safety, agricultural education, crop protection, microfluidics, BioNEMS, BioSensors, Bioselective surfaces

- US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

- Regulates a wide range of products which may utilize nanotechnology or contain nanomaterials.

Next Steps for Federal Role

Promote R&D to provide:

- Infrastructure Development and Standards
- Design, Manufacturing Processes and Systems, and Instrumentation
- Workforce, Societal Impact and Environmental Health and Safety

Expected Impacts / Benefits

- Enhance the performance of existing products with tools, processes and systems that make US companies leaders in scalability, productivity, produceability of nanomanufactured products.
- Provide the advanced tools and systems that go beyond enhancing existing products, but to create entirely new nanomanufacturing enterprises with a new knowledge enabled workforce.
- Assure the US lead in nanoscale science and engineering with a nanomanufacturing base, as a national resource for defense, space exploration, health, security, education and other National priorities

Conclusion

- The changing global competitive environment poses great challenges for the U.S. manufacturing sector and the selection of federal research priorities.
- Nanomanufacturing will provide the technical foundation needed for advancing our manufacturing sector while promoting an exciting new industry that will provide economic success under US technological leadership.
- We look forward to your input on development and refinement of nanomanufacturing technical needs to meet these challenges.