

Self-Assembled Monolayers Protecting Metal Nanoparticles

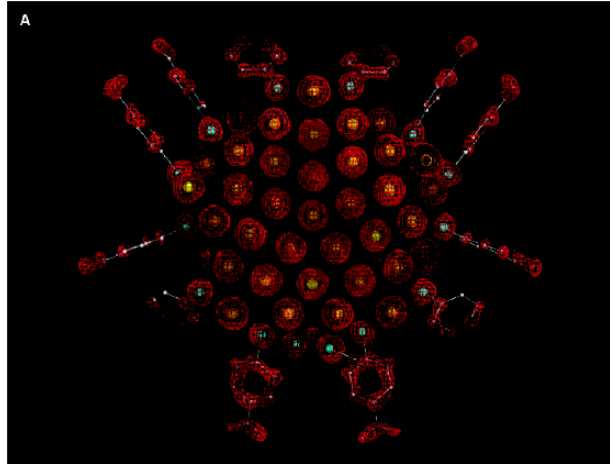
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Outline

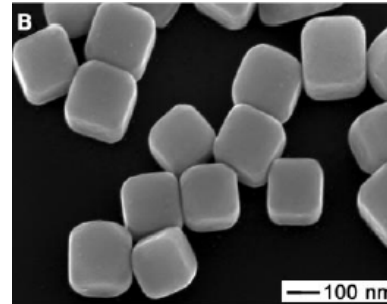
- **Introduction to nanoparticles**
- **Monolayer-Protected Metal nanoparticles**
synthesis, characterizations
properties and packing of the monolayer
- **Functional Nanoparticles**
Methods of synthesis. Mixed-monolayers
Monovalent- and divalent metal nanoparticles
- **Nanoparticles of different size and shape**
- **Applications of nanoparticles in different fields**

wich nanoparticles?

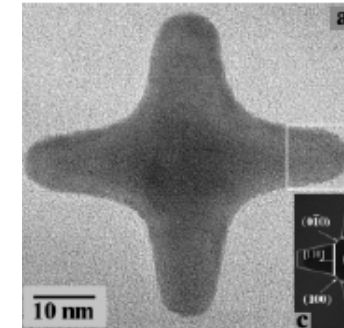
hard nanoparticles: metal nanoparticles
semiconductor nanoparticles
magnetic nanoparticles
silica nanoparticles



X-Ray crystal structure determination of the $Au_{102}(SR)_{44}$ nanoparticle.

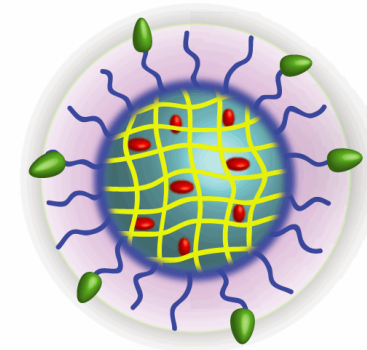
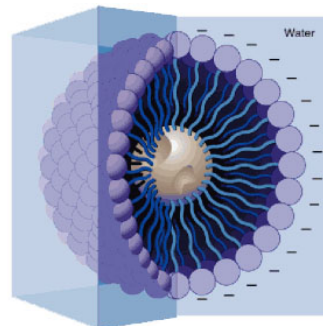
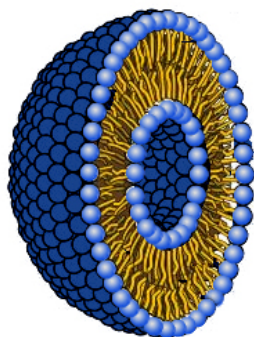


SEM image of Silver Nanocubes.

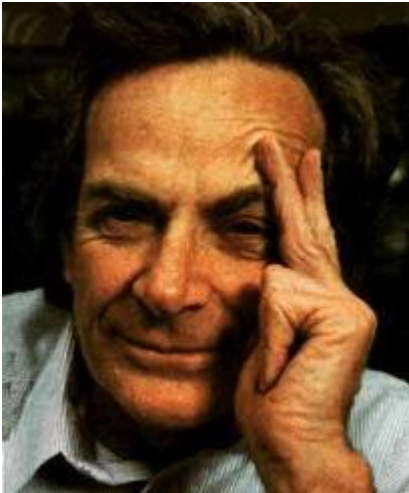


TEM image of a tetrapod nanocrystal.

soft nanoparticles: liposomes (100-200 nm in diameter)
polymeric micelles (10-100 nm)
polymeric nanogels



Nano — The Interdisciplinary Science



In December of **1959**, the eminent physicist **Richard Feynman** (1965 Physics Nobel Prize) described the future

in a groundbreaking talk entitled “**Plenty of Room at the Bottom**” about the physical possibilities for

“making, manipulating, visualizing and controlling things on a small scale,” and imaging that in decades to come, it might

be possible to arrange atoms “the way we want.”

“Why cannot we write the entire 24 volumes of the Encyclopaedia Britannica on the head of a pin?”

“..... and there is no question that there is enough room on the head of a pin to put all of the Encyclopaedia Britannica.”

What is nano?

nano deriva dal greco $\nu\alpha\nu\omicron$

Nanoscience refers to the science and manipulation of chemical and biological structures with dimensions in the range from 1-100 nanometers.

Nanoscience building blocks may consist of anywhere from a few hundred atoms to millions of atoms. On this scale, new properties (electrical, mechanical, optical, chemical, and biological) that are fundamentally different from bulk or molecular properties can emerge.

Nanoscience is about creating new chemical and biological nanostructures, uncovering and understanding their novel properties, and ultimately about learning how to organize these new nanostructures into larger and more complex functional structures and devices.

Nanoscience is a new way of thinking about building up complex materials and devices by exquisite control of the functionality of matter and its assembly at the nanometer-length scale.

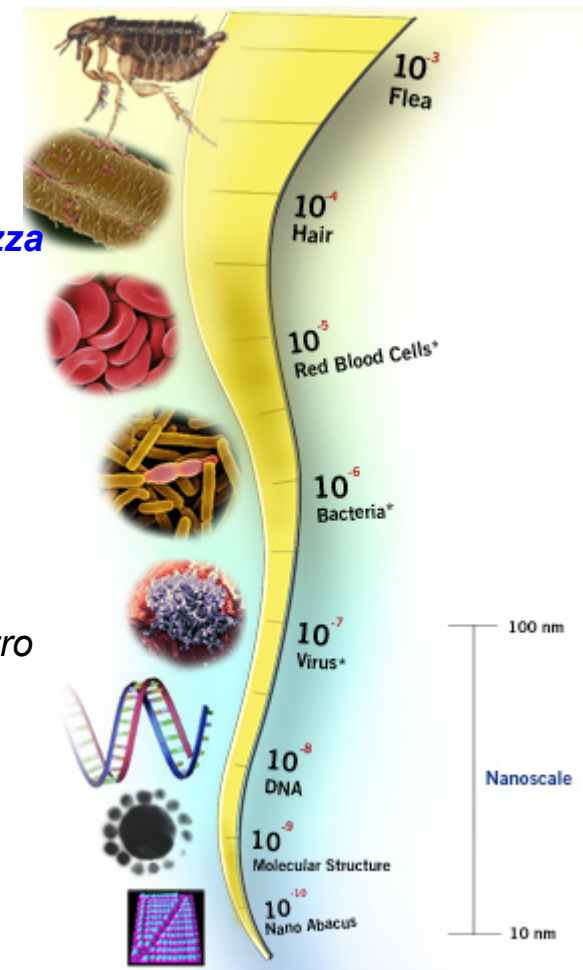
Nanoscience inherently bridges disciplinary boundaries. The "nano" length scale requires the involvement of chemical concepts at the atomic and molecular level.

Nanoscale

Nanoscale objects have at least one dimension (height, length, depth) that measures between 1 and 999 nanometers (1-999 nm).

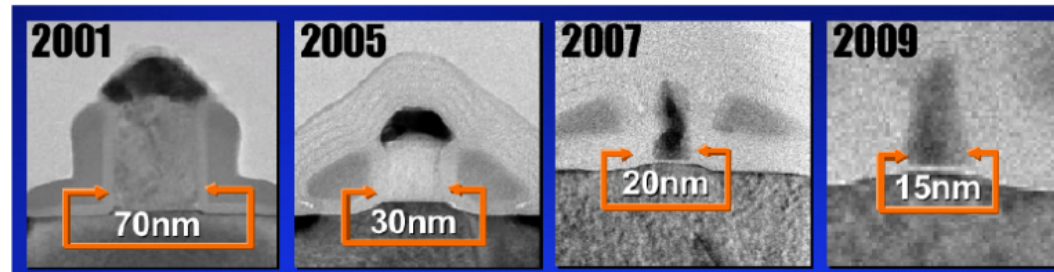
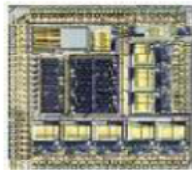
unità di misura abbreviazione descrizione

metro	m	unità base SI della lunghezza
centimetro	cm	$1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}$ (0.01 m)
millimetro	mm	$1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$ (0.001 m)
micrometro	μm	$1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$
nanometro	nm	$1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}$ la billionesima parte di 1 metro o 10 Å



Why Nano?

Much of the motivating force and technology for nanotechnology came from integrated circuit industry

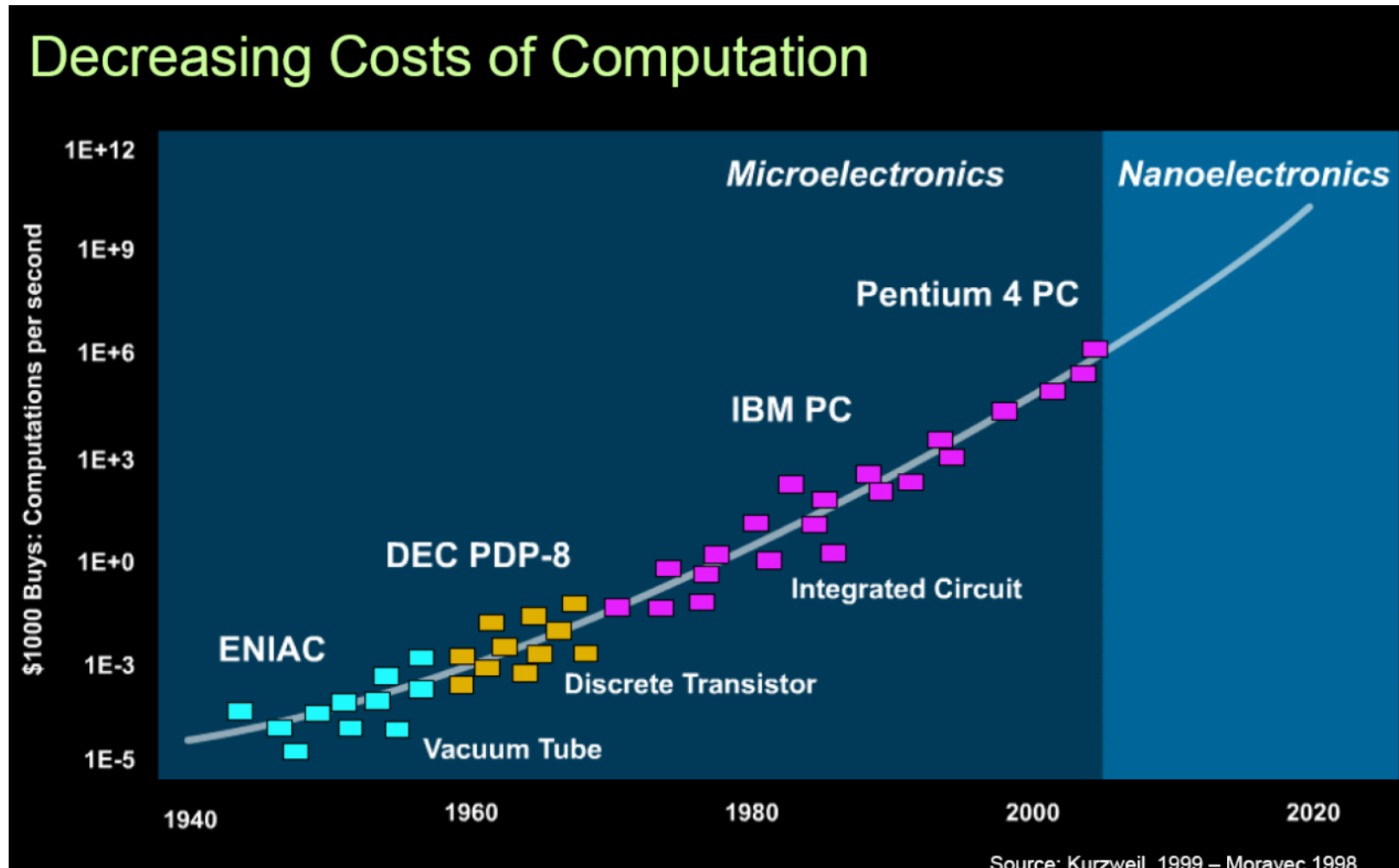


Intel's transistors

As with the fabrication of integrated circuits, **nanotechnology** is based on building structures and systems at very small sizes

- to enhance performance and produce new properties and applications
- for many types of systems (mechanical, biological, chemical, optical) in addition to electronic

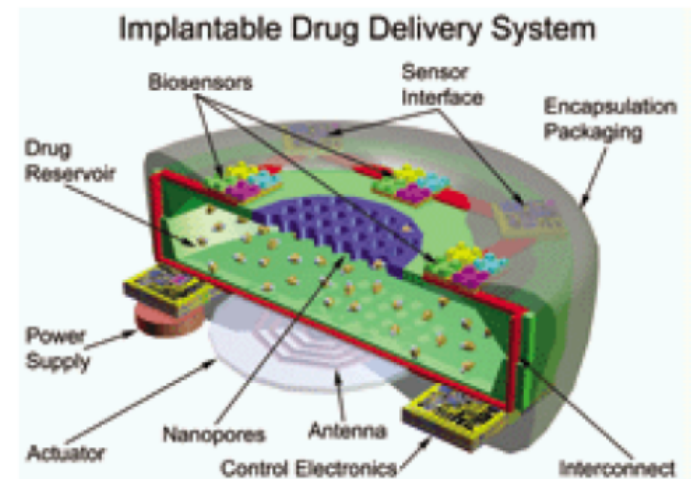
Why Nano?



Why Nano?

Examples of Nanotechnology Applications

- **Supercomputer in your palm**, perhaps made from silicon nanowires, carbon nanotubes, or organic materials such as DNA
- Very tiny **motors, pumps, gyroscopes, and accelerometers**; helicopters the size of flies or smaller
- Tiny **bio- and chemical-sensors**; nanoparticles that **track and destroy cancer cells**; artificial **body parts** and implantable **drug delivery** systems
- **Nano-whiskers, nanoparticles, and nanotubes** for stain and wrinkle resistant clothes, transparent zinc oxide sunscreen, fast-absorbing drugs and nutrients, extra-strong tennis racquets, and scratch-resistant paint



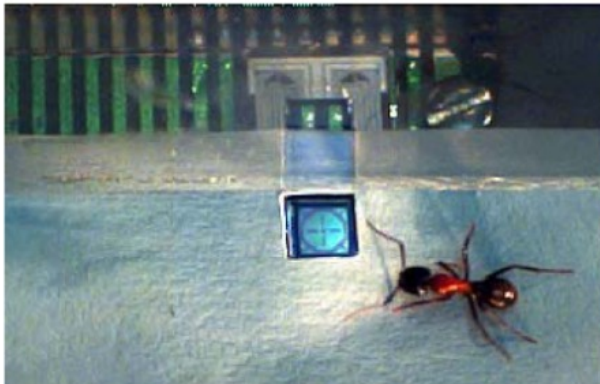
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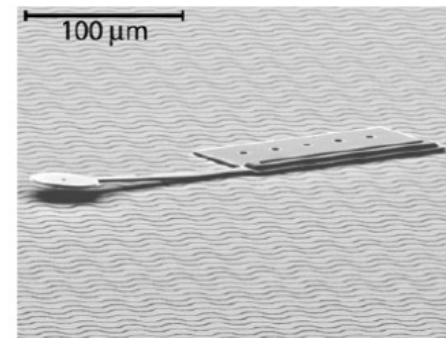
Mite spinning on micromotor
(Sandia National Labs)



“Bugbot” for traveling and taking photos in human digestive system
(Carnegie Mellon University)

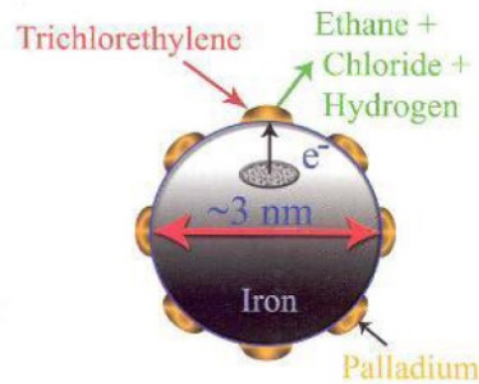


Ant’s leg strength and motion measured on microsensor, for robot development (Stanford)

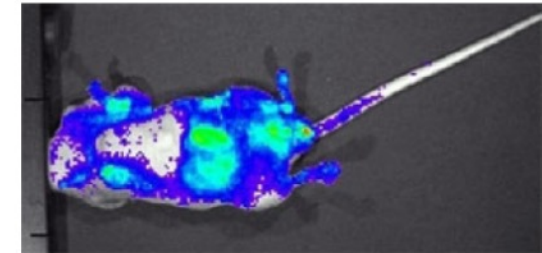
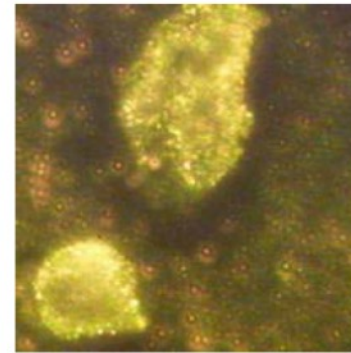


World’s smallest mobile robot, with no wheels, gears or hinged joints
(Dartmouth College)

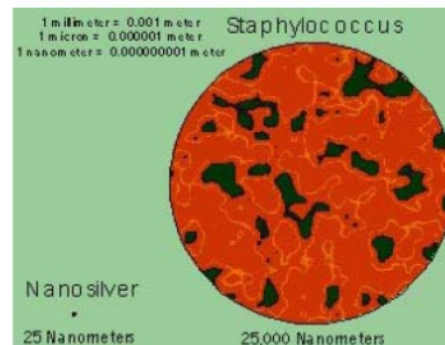
Why Nano?



Iron nanoparticles to clean poisons from water (Lehigh University)



Gold nanoparticles, some coated with antibodies, that fluoresce and heat up can track and destroy cancer cells (University of Illinois, Georgia Tech, Rice, U. Texas, and UCSF)



Using “Nano-silver” (solutions of silver nanoparticles) to coat medical tools, and in burn and surgical dressings, which protects against bacteria and fungus by inhibiting cellular metabolism and growth (Nanotech)

New Materials, New Products



Samsung Nano SilverSeal refrigerator

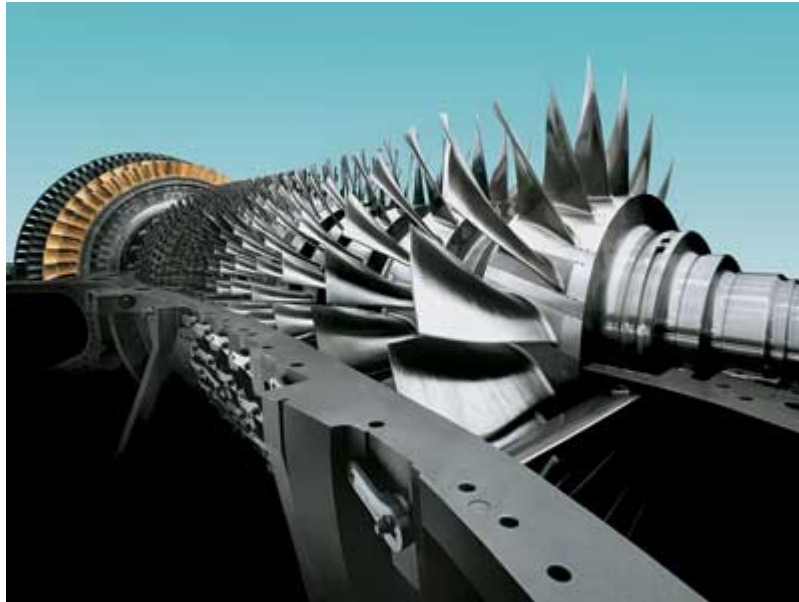
Nanosilver particles in the deodorizer unit and water dispenser sanitize the air and water that passes over them. Available only in South Korea for now.



Hummer H2 Sport Utility Truck

Made with about seven pounds of nanocomposite material, the cargo bed Hummer's H2 SUT is lighter and more scratch proof than older plastics. Besides the weight advantage, GM says the nanocomposite parts don't change shape when exposed to temperature changes.

New Materials, New Products



GE Power Turbine

Using ceramics enriched with nanoscale particles, GE hopes to build more powerful turbines that operate at higher temperatures. Available within the next five years.



NanoDynamics golf ball

This ball is engineered with nanoparticles to spin less, which should mean less slices and hooks. They'll cost \$5 each.

Why Nano?



Easton CNT
(carbon nanotube)
baseball bat



ArcticShield
“stink-proof”
socks with
silver
nanoparticles



Nano Wear
sunblock with
 $\text{TiO}_2/\text{ZnO}_2$
nanoparticles



IPOD Nano with 50nm
features in memory chip



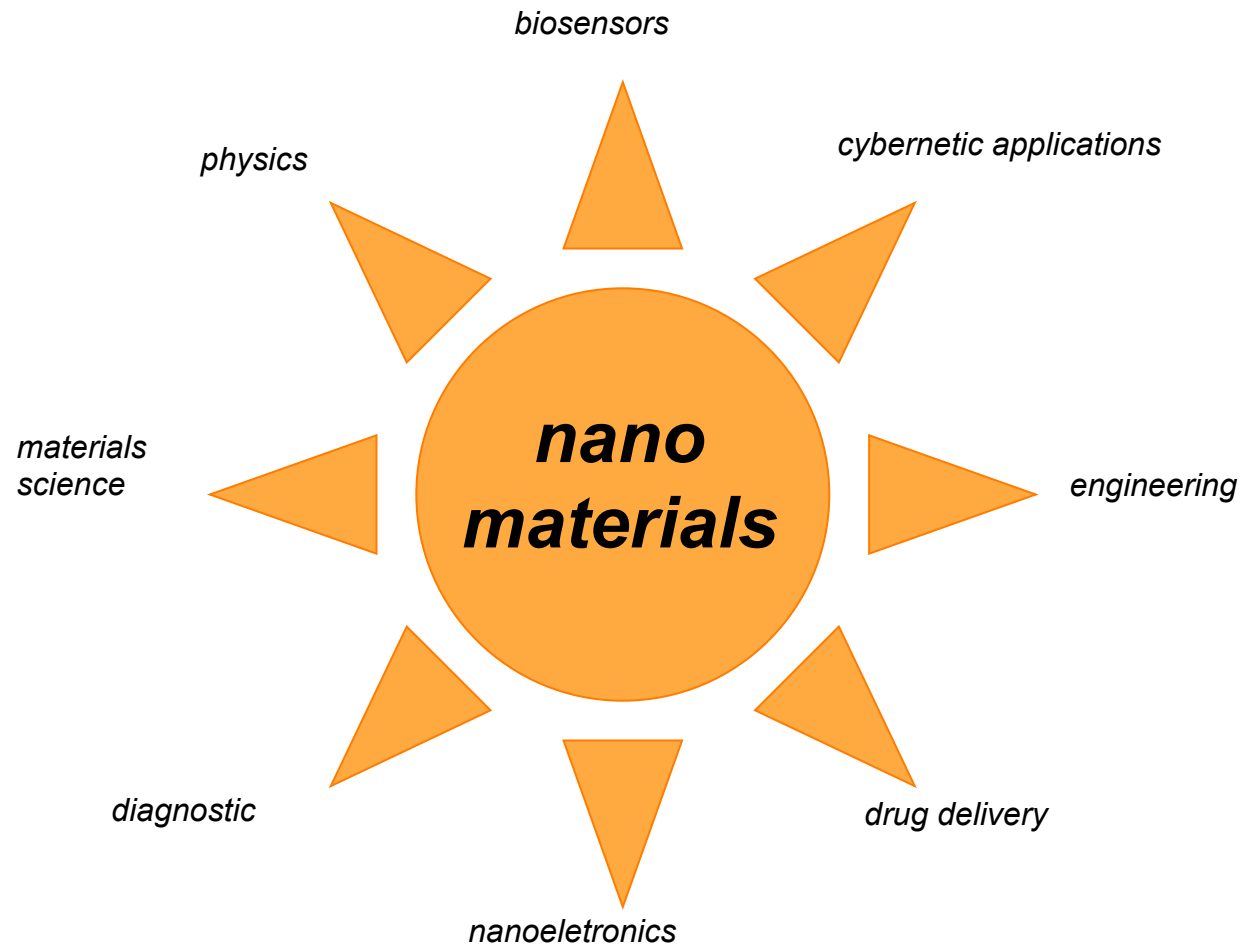
LacVert Nano
hydrating cream



Zelens Fullerene
C-60 (buckyball)
Face Cream to
“attract and
neutralise the
damaging free
radicals”

Why Nano?

design, creation and characterization of nanostructures and nanostructured materials



Nanotechnology and Nanochemistry

Nanotechnology is ...

...research and technology development at the atomic, molecular or macromolecular levels, in the length scale of approximately 1 –100 nm ...

National Science Foundation

*Le nanotecnologie operano in un ambito d'investigazione **multidisciplinare**, coinvolgendo molteplici settori di ricerca, tra cui:*

*biologia molecolare,
chimica,
scienza dei materiali,
fisica (sia applicata che di base),
ingegneria meccanica,
ingegneria chimica ed elettronica.*

Nanochimica: *l'insieme dei processi chimici che consentono di fabbricare nanomateriali a partire da semplici mattoni, “building blocks”.*

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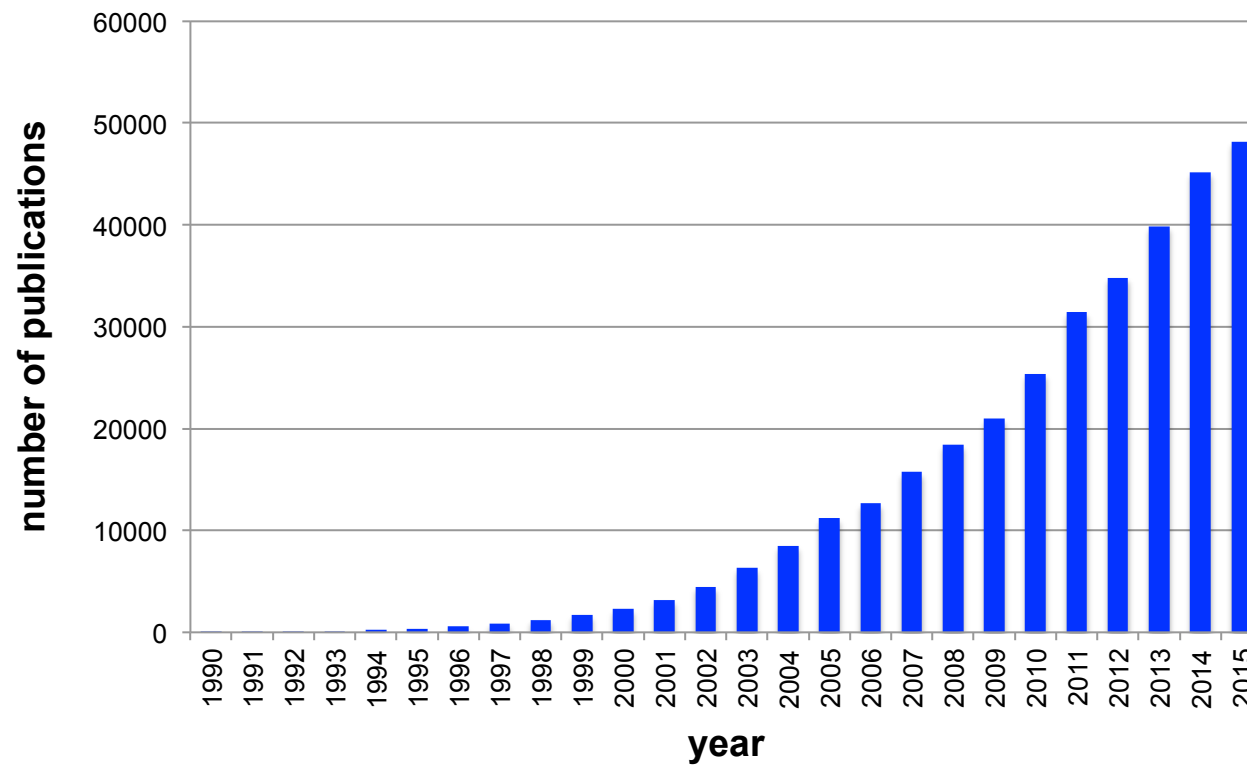
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B. GODIN, E. TASCOTTI, X. LIU, R. E. SERDA, M. FERRARI, *Acc. Chem. Res.* 2011, *44*, 979-989.

andmany, many more

.....and thousands and thousands of papers

publications on nanoparticles



Why is Small Good?

-Faster

-Lighter

-Can get into small spaces

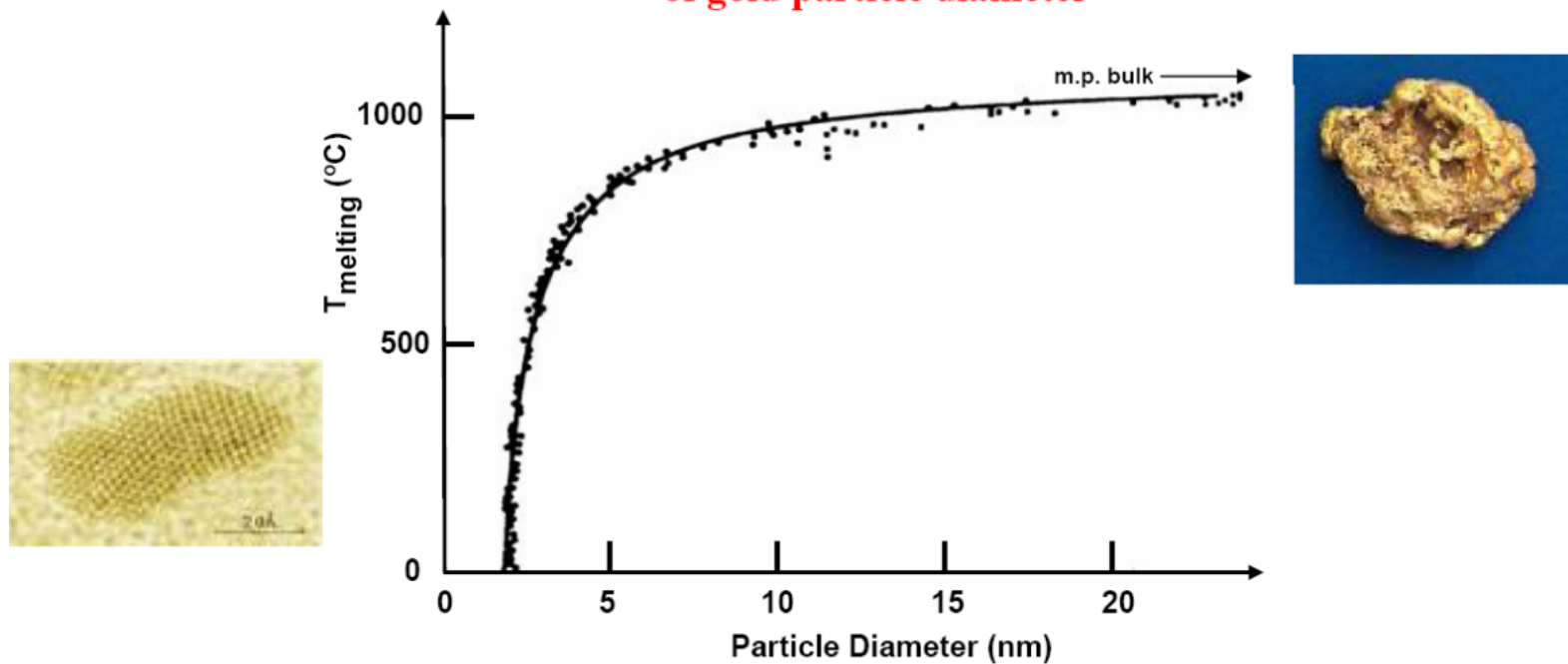
-Cheaper-More energy efficient

-Different properties at very small scale

properties at the nanoscale

- The melting point of gold decreases rapidly as the particle dimension reaches the nanometer scale.

Melting point of gold as a function of gold particle diameter



Reference: Buffat and Borel, Phys. Rev. A, vol. 13, p. 2287, 1976.

A brief historical background

- gold nanoparticles are known since ancient time, 5^o - 4^o millenium B.C. (China, Egypt). We believe that ancient Egyptian known how to prepare "soluble" gold and they were used these solutions as "elisir".
- colloidal gold sols are used to obtain red glass
- around 1600 Paracelso (1493-1541) described the preparation of "aurum potable, oleum auri: quinta essentia auri" by reduction of acid tetrachloroauric using an alcoholic extract of plants.
At that time medical doctors believed that "drinkable gold" exert curative properties for several diseases.

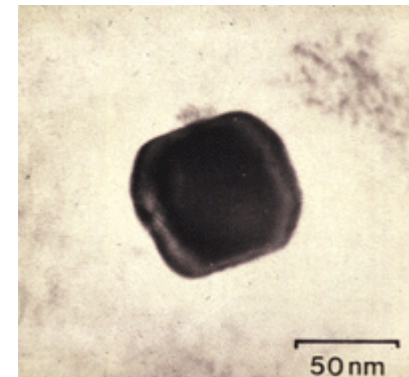


A brief historical background

The roman industry of IV century A.D., developed a sophisticated use of metal NPs, they were able to produce colored glass with particular optical properties. For example the addition of Ag and Au compounds, enable to produce glass which appear to be green under reflected light and red under trasmitted light. The famous "Licurgus cup" has been realized with this technique.

day light (reflected light)

trasmitted light

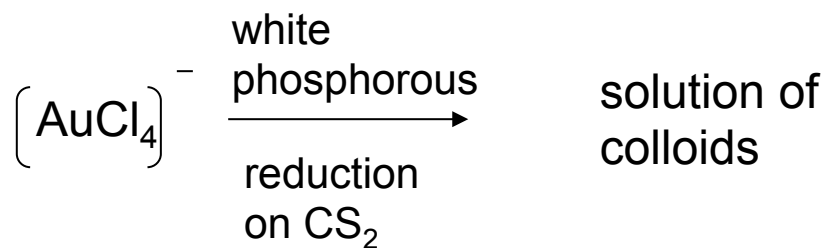


TEM image

40 ppm of Au and 300 ppm of Ag

Nanoparticles - hystorical background

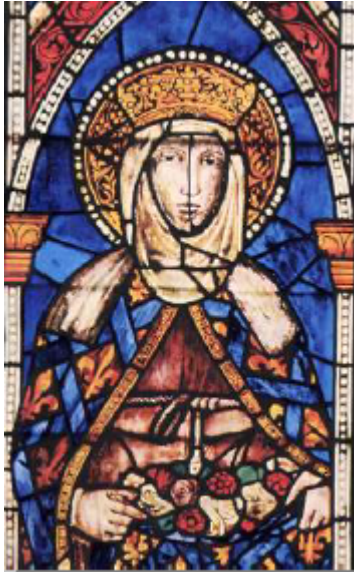
- in 1857 **Michael Faraday** reported the first scientific studies on preparations of colloidal gold solutions, M. Faraday, *Phil.Trans.Roy. Soc.* **1857**, 147, 145.
- around the half of 19th century the italian physician **Enrico Selmi** write a description of "colloids", not very different from the actual definition.
- in 1861 the term "**colloid**" (from the greek *kolla*) was conied by the Scottish chemist **Thomas Graham**



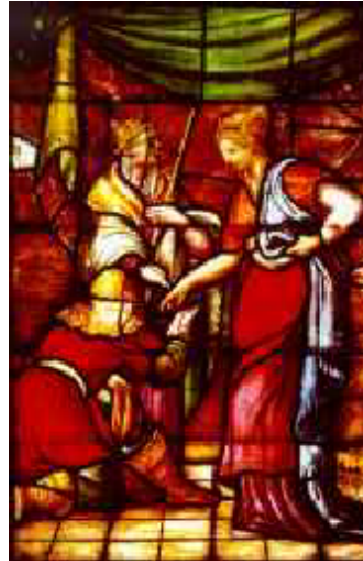
diameter of 3 ÷ 30 nm

two phase system

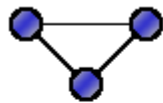
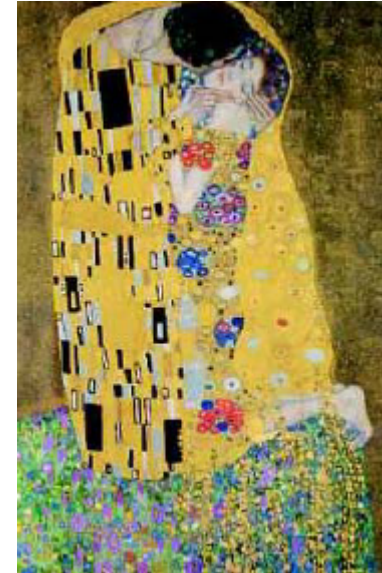
Nanoscale Materials



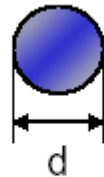
Florence - Santa Croce



Milan - Duomo

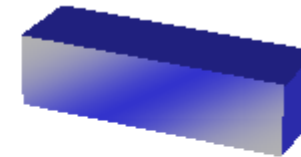


molecule



$1\text{nm} < d < 100\text{nm}$

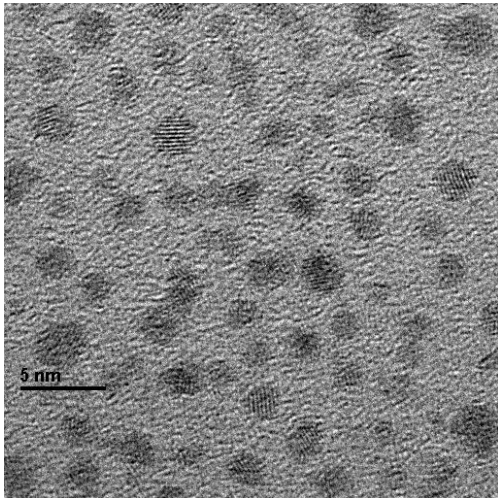
Increasing size
nanoparticle



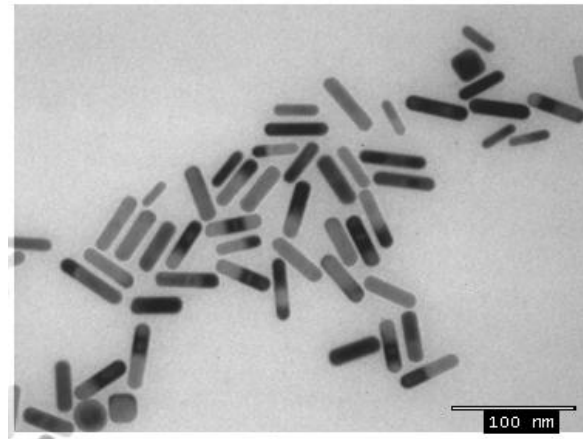
bulk material

Nanoscale materials have different properties when compared to their bulk counterparts!

Nanoscale Materials



Nanoparticles - quantum dots



nanorods

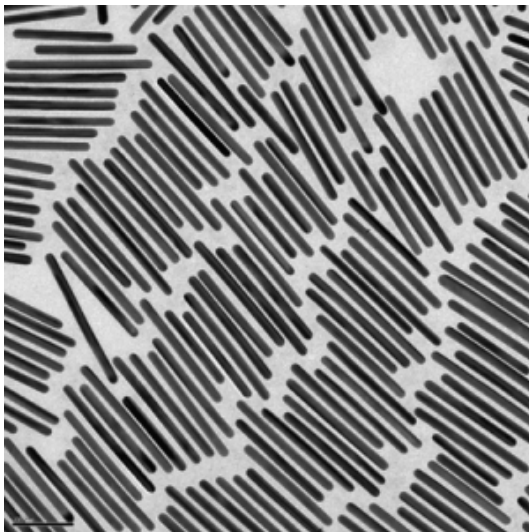
0 dimensional nanomaterials:

unique properties due to quantum confinement and very high surface/volume ratio

1 dimensional nanomaterials:

extremely efficient
classical properties

These ultra-long devices exhibit tremendous photothermal properties, converting up to 90% of incident light energy to heat.



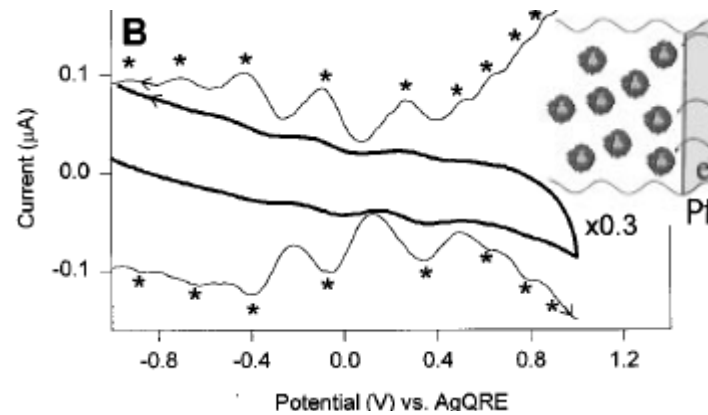
nanowires

Properties of Metal Nanoparticles

Optical Properties



Electronic Properties



Nanoscale Materials Have Different Properties when compared to their bulk counterparts!

Nanoscale Materials

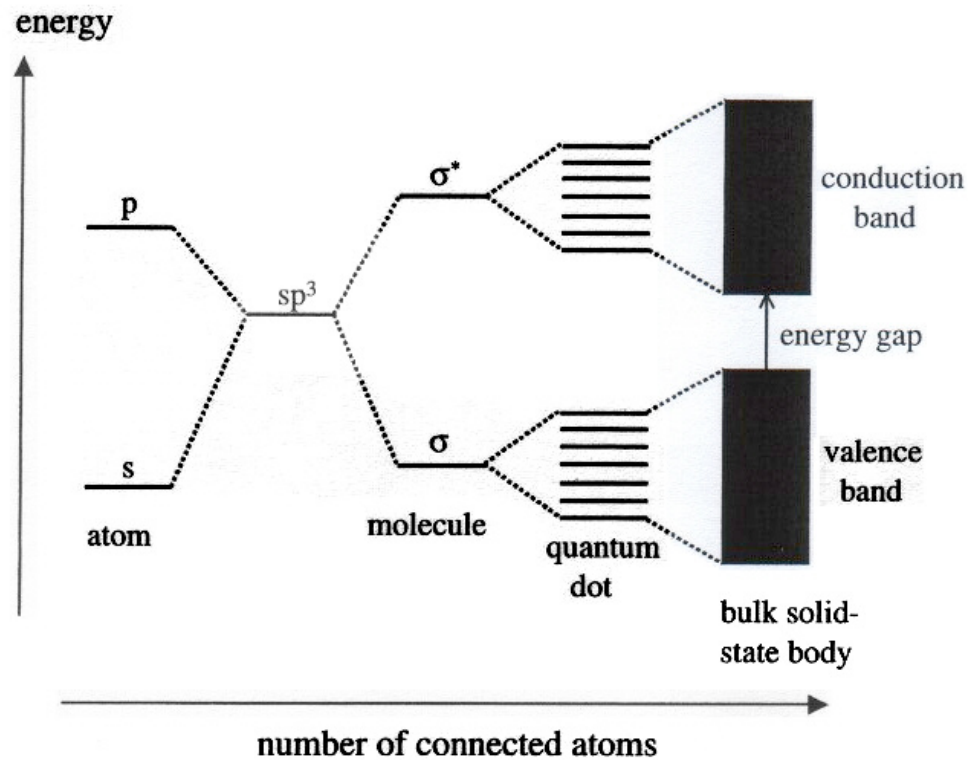


Fig. 2-1 Electronic energy levels depending on the number of bound atoms. By binding more and more atoms together, the discrete energy levels of the atomic orbitals merge into energy bands (here shown for a semiconducting

material) [16]. Therefore semiconducting nanocrystals (quantum dots) can be regarded as a hybrid between small molecules and bulk material.

Synthesis of metal nanoparticles

PVD (physical vapor deposition)

formation of clusters in the gas phase - Au metal as starting material

for example, the nanoparticles are formed from bulk metal by irradiating it with a laser beam.

At low laser flux, the material is heated by the absorbed laser energy and evaporates or sublimates and deposited over a solid support, under UHV condition.

es. cathodic arc deposition, sputter deposition, electron beam physical vapor deposition, laser ablation

CVD (chemical vapor deposition)

organometallic compounds as starting material

In a typical CVD process, the wafer (substrate) is exposed to one or more volatile precursors, which react and/or decompose on the substrate surface to produce the desired deposit.

Frequently, volatile by-products are also produced, which are removed by gas flow through the reaction chamber.

problem: control of the NP size

Synthesis of metal nanoparticles

- control of size, shape and composition with synthetic methodologies that allows to produce significative quantities of NPs.
- **molecular approach to colloidal metals**: use of molecular precursors
- many of the known methods are applicabile to different metallic elements of the periodic table, for exemple the reduction with hydrides.
- colloidal NPs are unstable and aggragate if not stibilized

Synthesis of metal nanoparticles

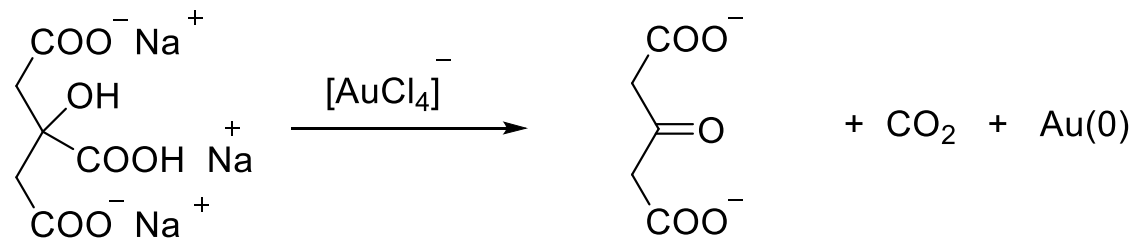
Two methods against aggregation:

• **electrostatic stabilization**

• **steric stabilization**

• 12-64 nm J. Turkevitch, P. C. Stevenson, J. Hillier, *Disc. Faraday Soc.* **1951**, 11, 55.

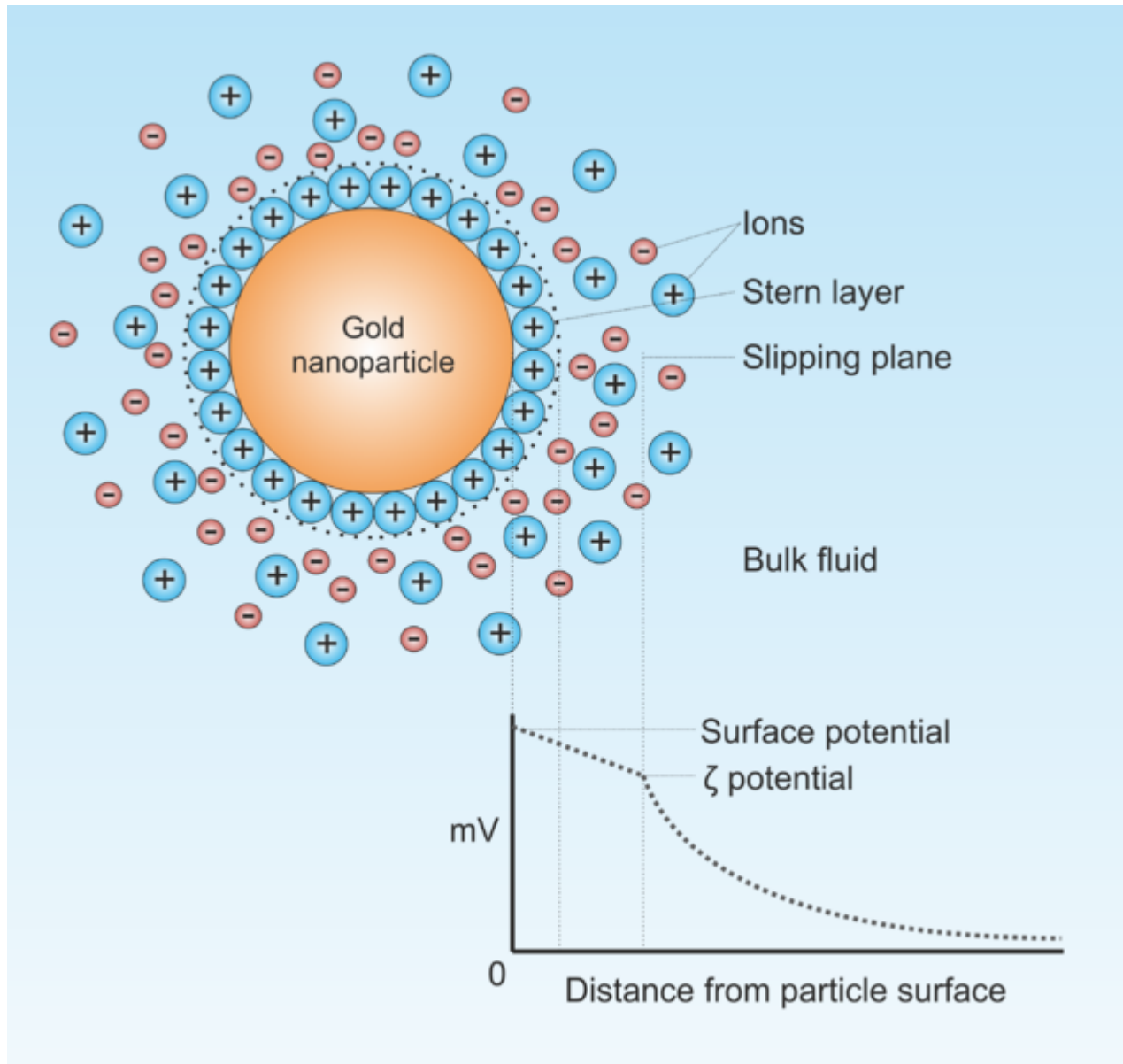
Reduction with **sodium citrate** developed by Frens in 1973:
this is the most used method for the preparation of gold colloids.



it is easy

- it requires only water
- it requires skills
- has reproducibility issues

NPs size may increase using more diluted solutions.



Potential difference as a function of distance from gold nanoparticle surface. **Larryisgood**

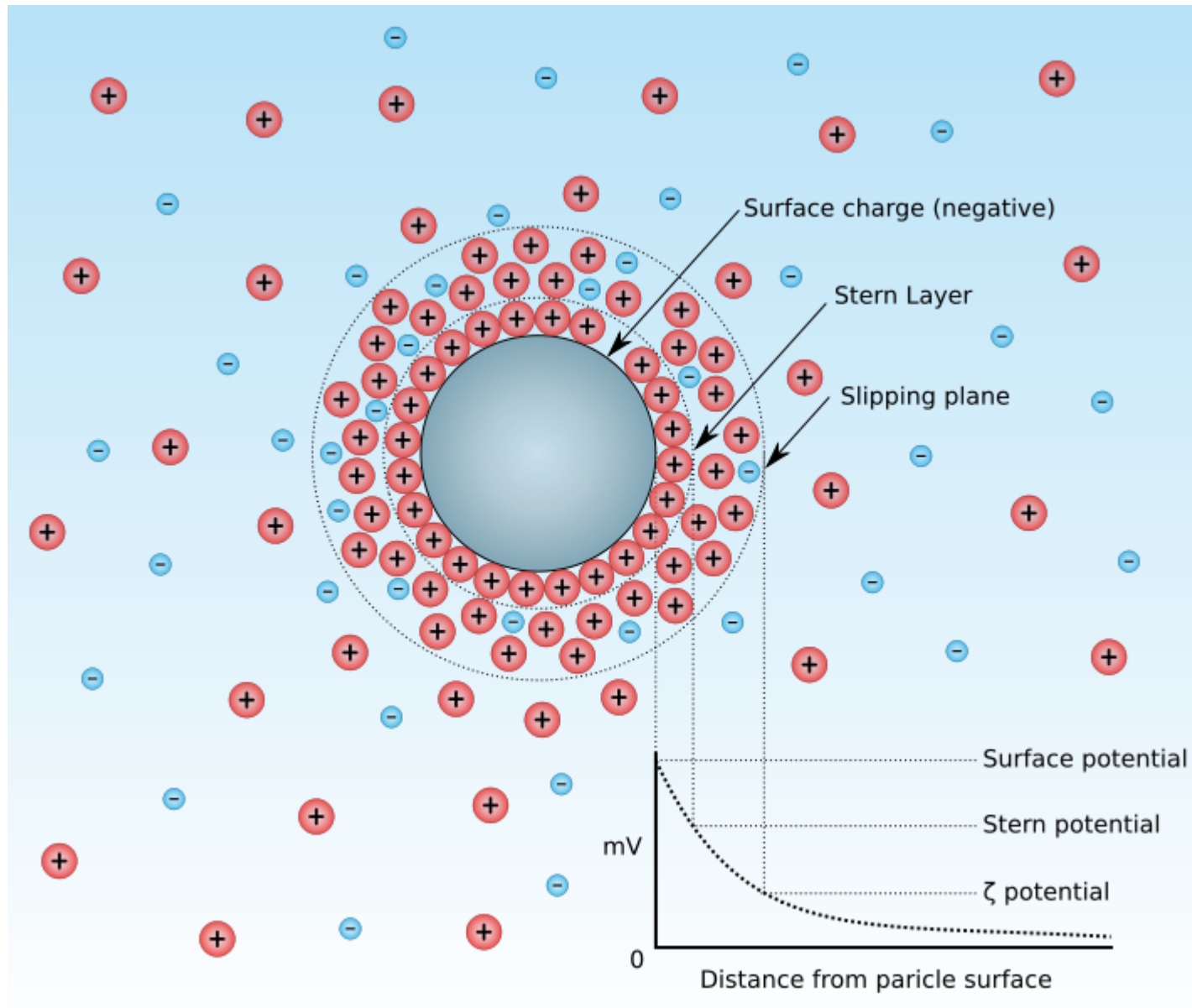


Diagram showing the ionic concentration and potential difference as a function of distance from the charged surface of a particle suspended in a dispersion medium.

Synthesis of metal nanoparticles

Electrostatic stabilization: the electrical double layer

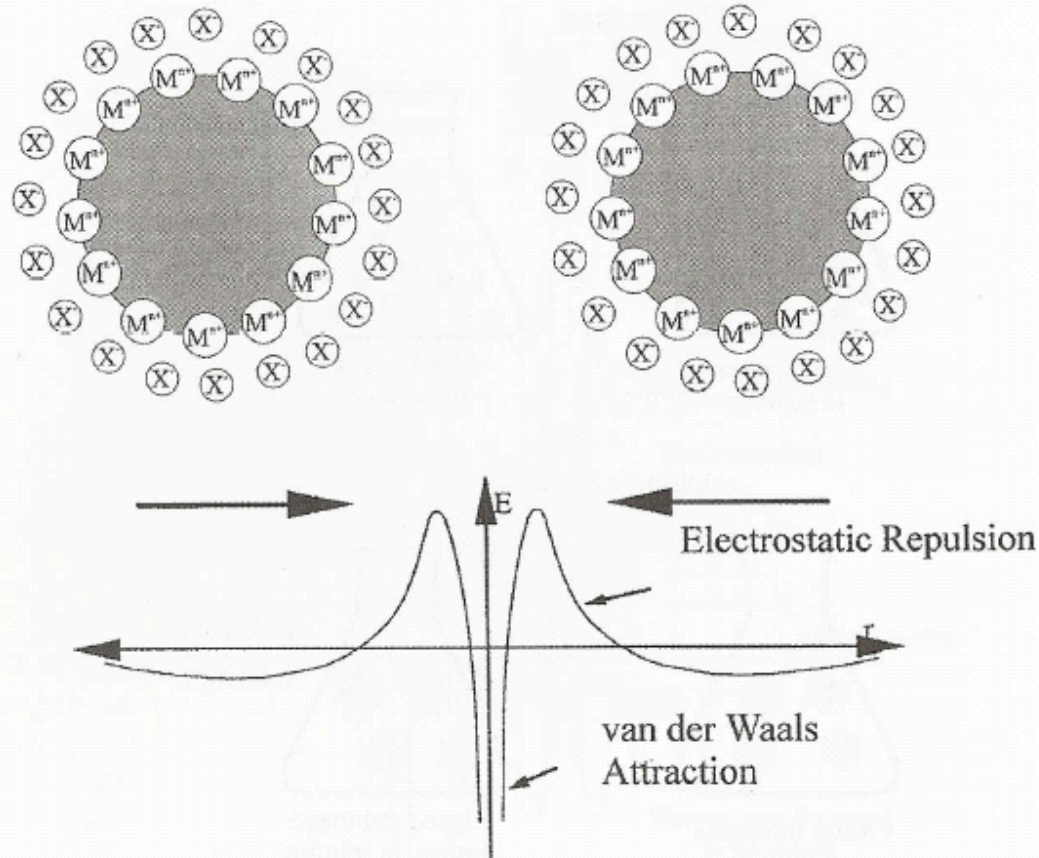


FIGURE 2.24 Electrostatic stabilization of metal colloids. Van der Waals attraction and electrostatic repulsion compete with each other.²⁷

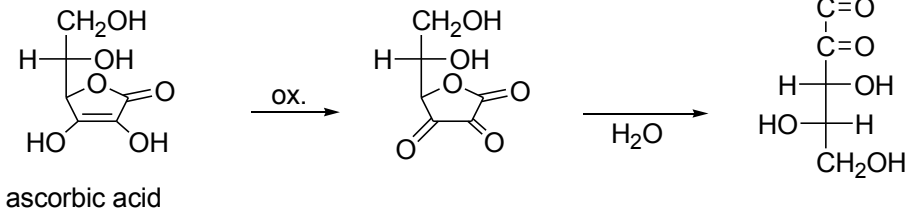
the energetic maximum can be easily overtake increasing for example the ionic strength or by increasing the thermal movement of the NPs.

Synthesis of metal nanoparticles

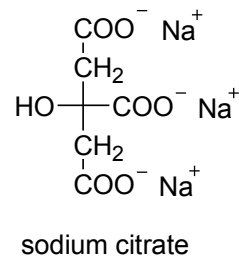
reduction of HAuCl_4 with different reducing agents

- 3-4 nm sodium borohydride (NaBH_4)

- 12 nm



- 12-64 nm



Synthesis of metal nanoparticles

- the strength of the reducing agent determine the NP size
- the reaction conditions are also very important in determining the average diameter
 - the size may be reduced by: increasing reductant
decreasing volume
increasing stirring
increasing temperature

Synthesis of metal nanoparticles

Steric stabilization

polymers, surfactants, and legands may be used to form a protective monolayer

polymers: they should present specific groups that bound to the NPs surface

Gold Number: quantity of polimer that stabilize 1 g of a solution of 50 mg/L of colloidal gold against aggregation in the presence of NaCl 1%

This definition was introduced by **Richard A. Zsigmondy in 1898**
Chemistry Nobel Price 1925 “for his demonstration

PVP [poly(vinylpyrrolidone)] and **PVA**, poly(vinyl alcohol) o
CTAB (cetyltrimethylammonium bromide)

These polymers have been used also to stabilize Pt and Ag NPs

Synthesis of metal nanoparticles

reduction of transition metals salts

- by using solvents that may easily be oxidized as alcohols that are oxidized to aldehydes or ketones
- Hirai and Toshima, “alcohol reduction process” and polymers for the stabilization



Other reducing agents:

Ascorbic acid, hydrogen, formaldehyde, hydrazine

- In **1993** Paul Mulvaney reports the first example of gold colloids protected by alkyl or aryl tiols. *Langmuir*, **1993**, 9, 3408-3413.

Characterization of NPs

TEM (*transmission electron microscopy*): give information about structure
Dimension, dispersion, shape, and composition of the metal core

HRTEM si ottengono informazioni sulle distanzi interplanari, TEM in alta risoluzione.

HAADF-STEM high-angle annular dark-field imaging in the scanning electron microscope
è una tomografia elettronica adatta ad analizzare nanomateriali cristallini

X-ray diffraction

XRD

SAXS small-angle X-ray scattering (down to 1 nm)
anomalous SAXS (synchrotron radiatio)

WAXS wide-angle X-ray scattering

EXAFS extended X-ray absorption fine structure

XPS X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy

Mössbauer spectroscopy

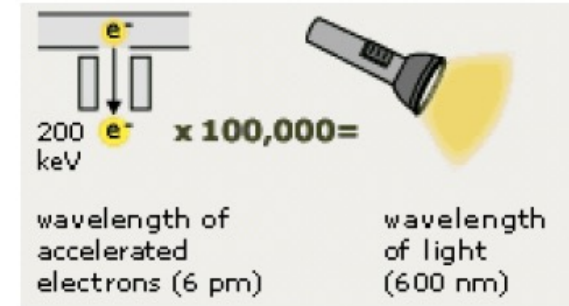
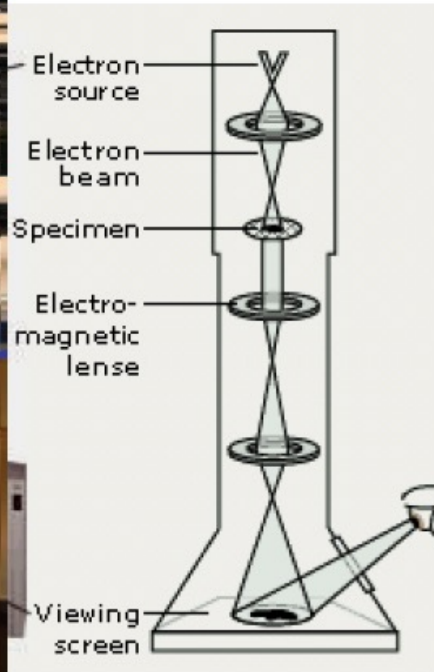
XANES X-ray absorption near-edge structure

STS scanning-tunneling spectroscopy

Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM)

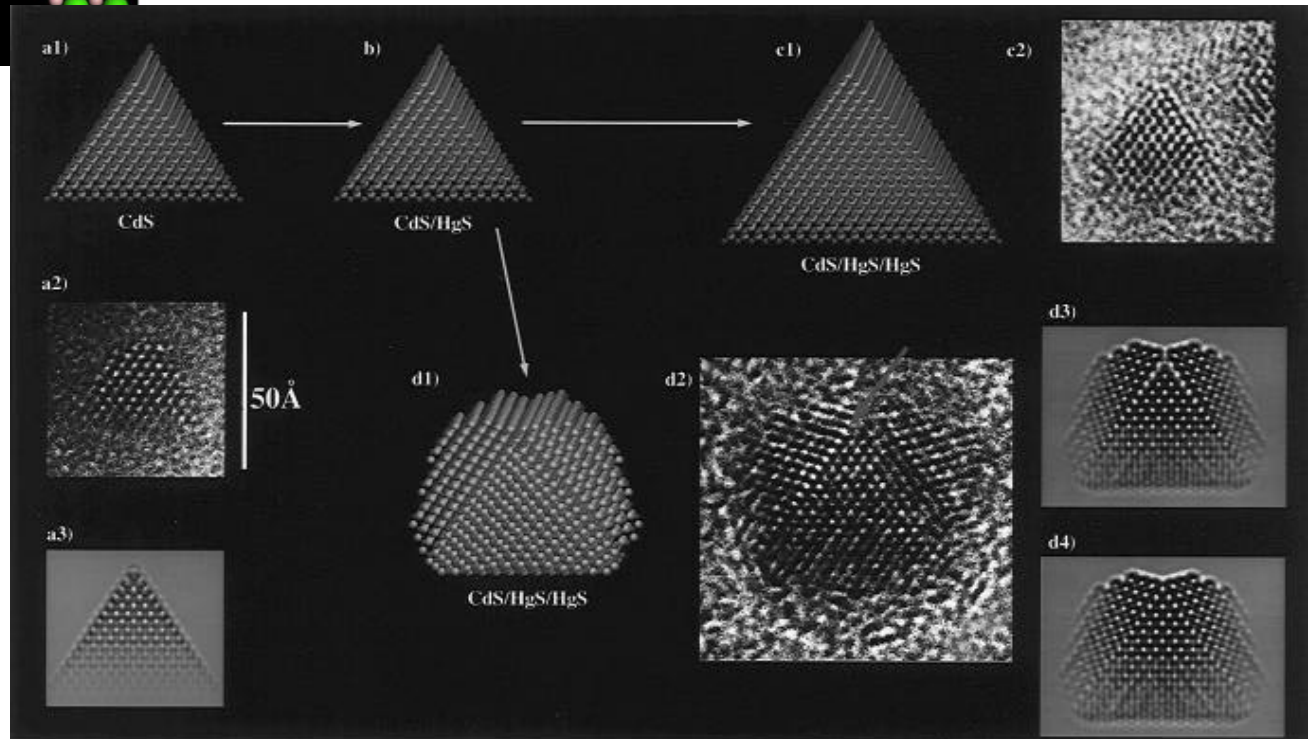
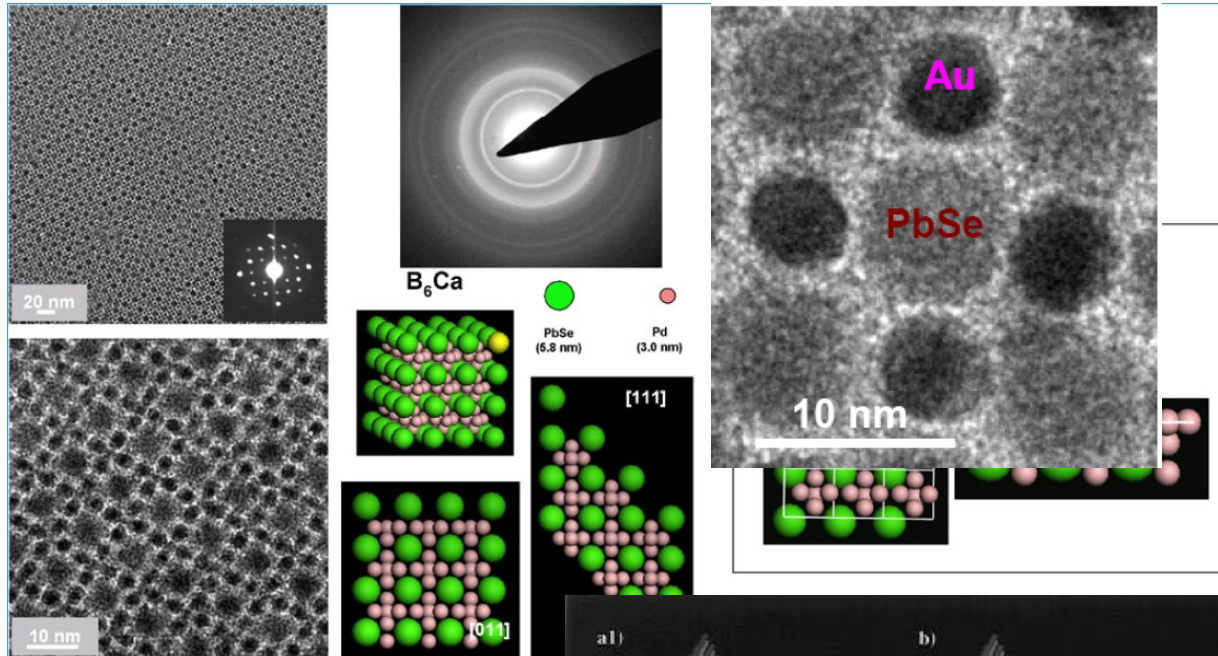


TEM
Copenhagen - 200 kV



	Optical	TEM
<i>Radiation</i>	<i>Light</i>	<i>Electrons</i>
<i>Lenses</i>	<i>Glas</i>	<i>Magnetic fields</i>
<i>Wavelength</i>	<i>ca. 0,5 μm</i>	<i>ca. 2 picometer</i>
<i>Resolution</i>	<i>ca. 0,5 μm</i>	<i>0,1 - 0,2 nm</i>
<i>Sample thickness</i>	<i>ca. 25 - 50 μm</i>	<i>ca. 10 - 200 nm</i>

- Å resolution
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Au, Pd, Pt,

full-shell clusters: clusters are like onions, each atom like to complete his coordination

for metals the coordination number is 12

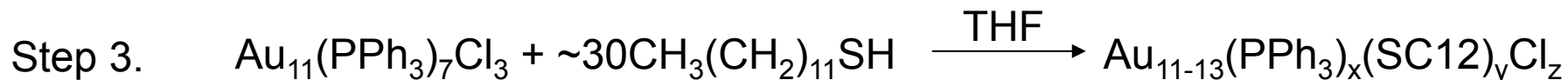
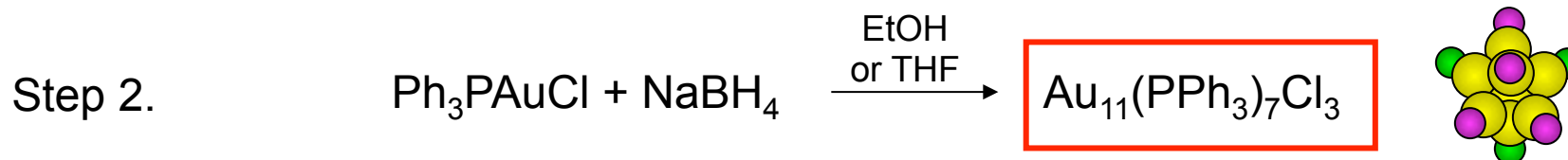
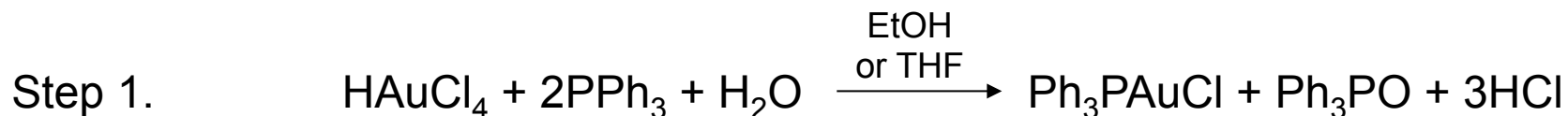


the first full-shell cluster is composed of $1+12 = 13$ atoms

the shell n th includes $10n^2 + 2$ atoms

<i>n</i> shell	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
n. atoms last shell	12	42	92	162	252	362	492	642	812	1002
n. total atoms	13	55	147	309	561	923	1415	2057	2869	3871
% surface atoms	92.3	76.4	62.6	52.4	44.9	39.2	34.8	31.2	28.3	25.8
average d (nm)		1.4	1.9	2.0	2.8	3.0			4.4	4.6

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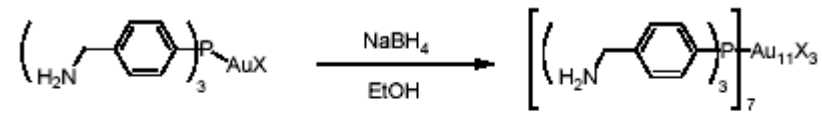
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"undecagold" derivatives have been widely used as markers of biological compounds and for histochemical analysis

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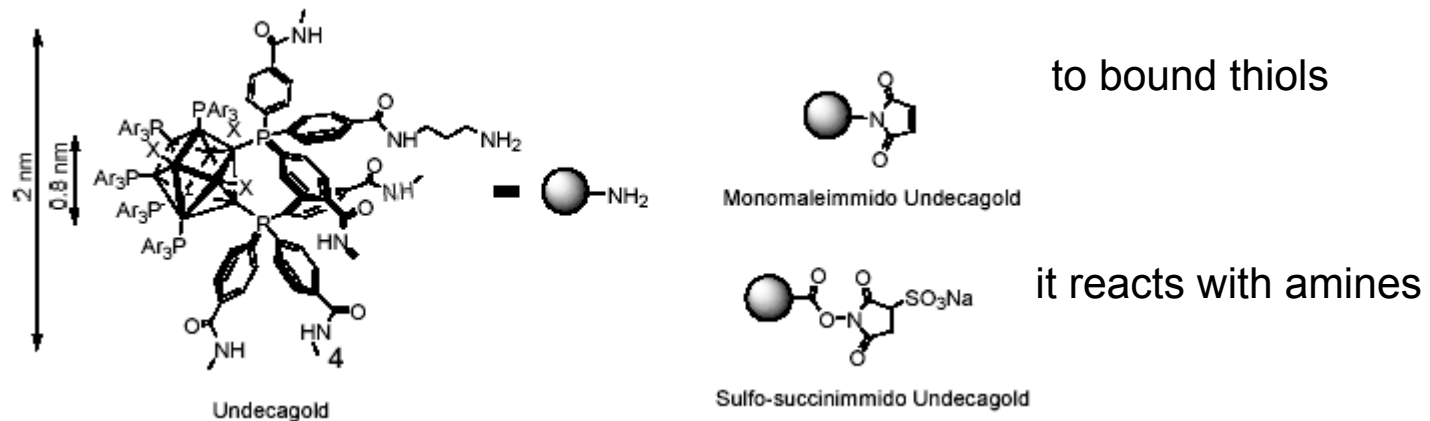
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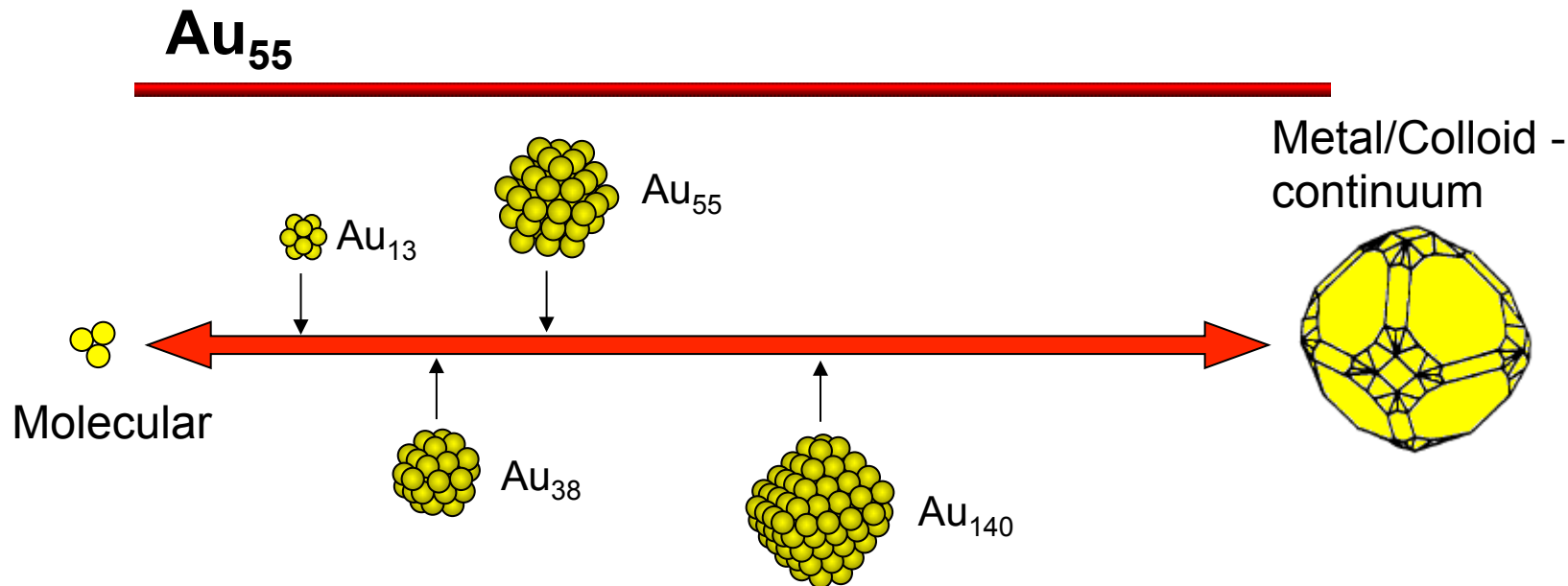
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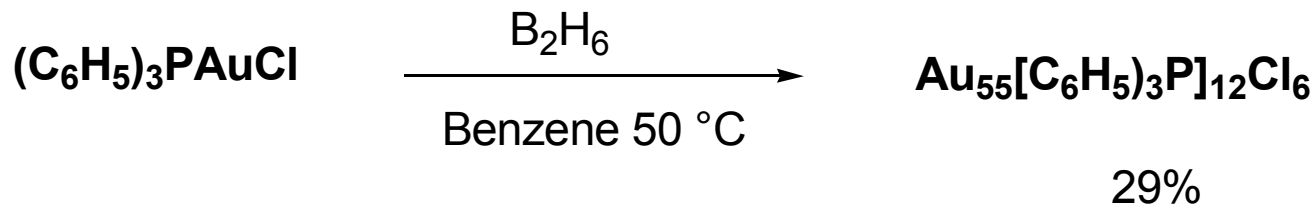


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- conjugates of peptide, ATP, nucleic acids, lipids, phospholipids, carbohydrates, antibodies, etc. have been prepared.



$\text{Au}_{55}(\text{PPh}_3)_{12}\text{Cl}_6$ is the most studied full-shell cluster since it represents a transition between molecular and colloidal behaviour



the synthetic method enables one to obtain a monodispersed cluster and because of this it could be used in the formation of fcc 3D crystals .

Au₅₅

Chromatographic Isolation of “Missing” Au₅₅ Clusters Protected by Alkanethiolates

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J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2006**, *128*, 6036.

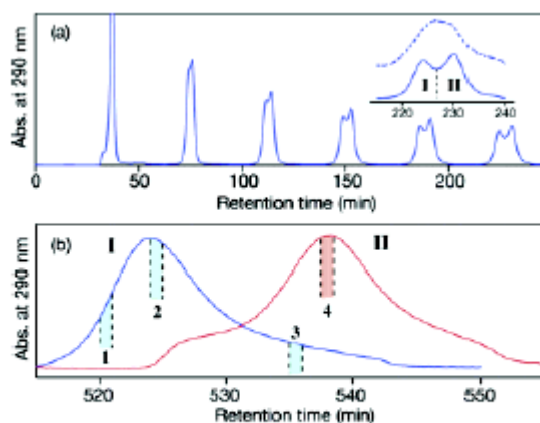


Figure 1. (a) Chromatogram of recycling GPC of the Au:SC₁₈ clusters. Dotted curve in the inset is the data for the sample without etching treatment. (b) Recycling chromatograms of two fractions **I** and **II**.

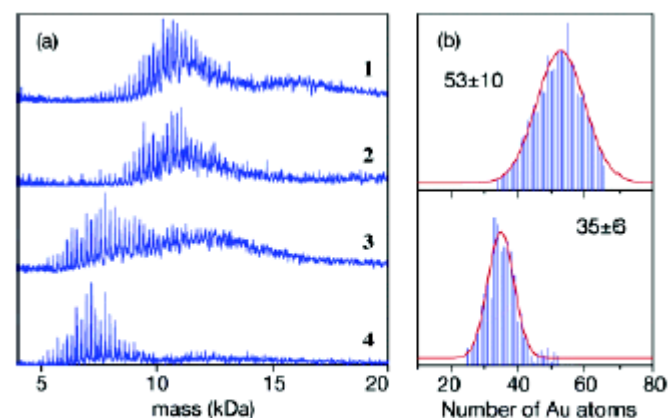


Figure 2. (a) LDI mass spectra of fractions **1–4** in the positive ion mode. (b) Histograms of the core numbers for fractions **2** and **4**.

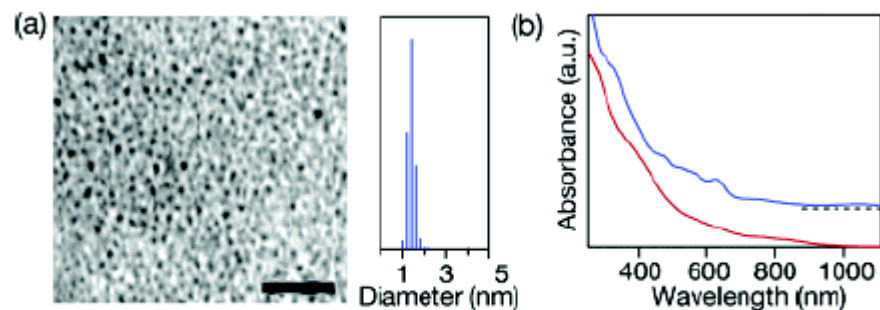


Figure 3. (a) TEM image and core-size distribution of Au₅₅:SC₁₈. The scale bar represents 20 nm. (b) Optical absorption spectra of Au₅₅:SC₁₈ (red) and the 8 kDa clusters (blue).

Monolayer protected clusters MPCs

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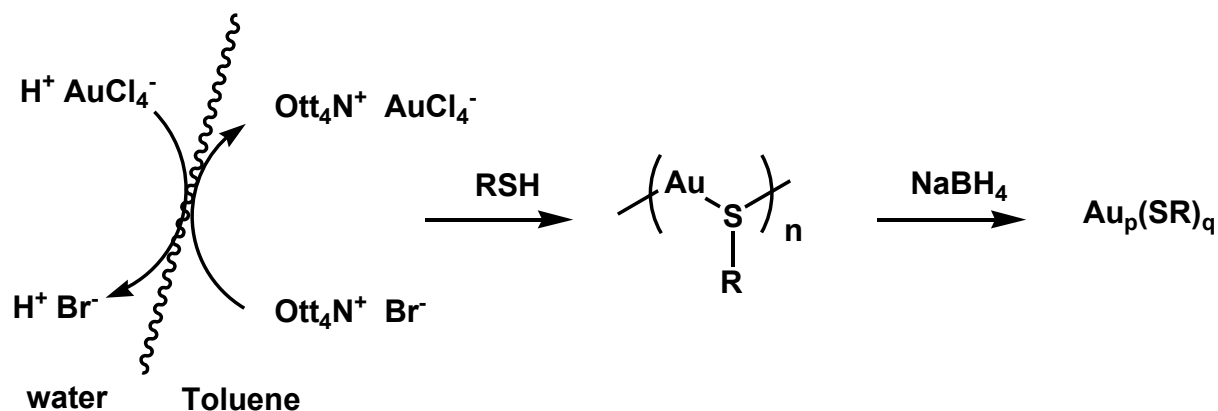
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Synthesis of Thiol-derivatised Gold Nanoparticles in a Two-phase Liquid-Liquid System

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Using two-phase (water-toluene) reduction of AuCl_4^- by sodium borohydride in the presence of an alkanethiol, solutions of 1–3 nm gold particles bearing a surface coating of thiol have been prepared and characterised; this novel material can be handled as a simple chemical compound.

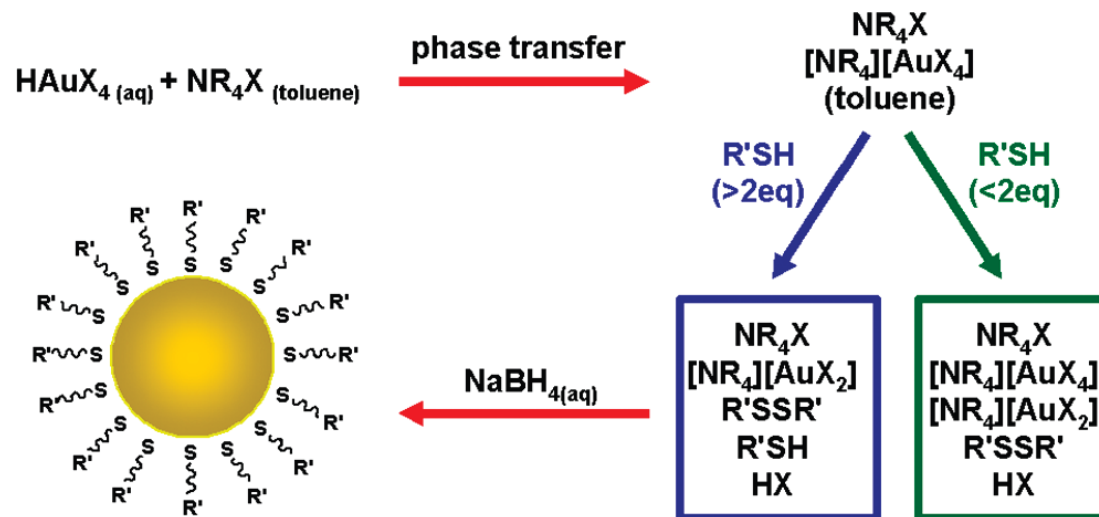


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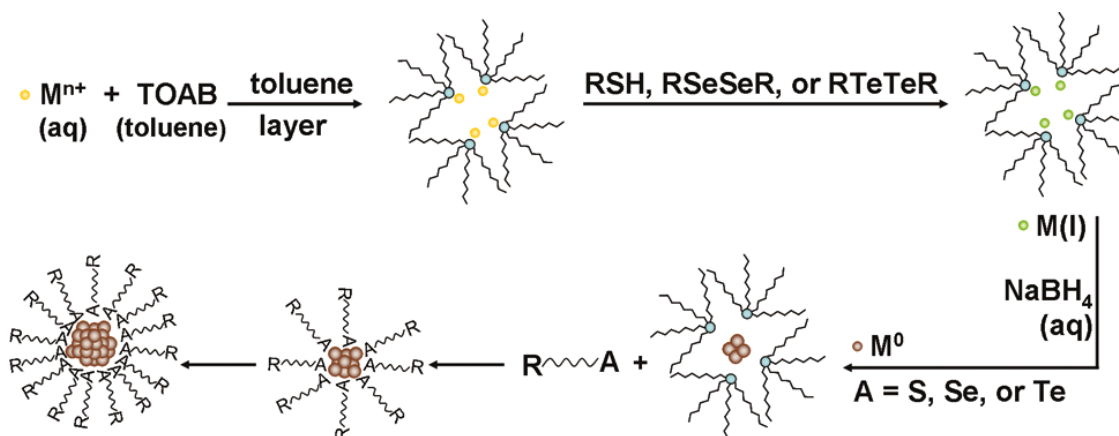
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Au NPs synthesis

Revised View of the Two-Phase Brust-Schiffrin Au Nanoparticle Synthesis



P. J. G. Goulet, R. Bruce Lennox *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, 132, 9582–9584.



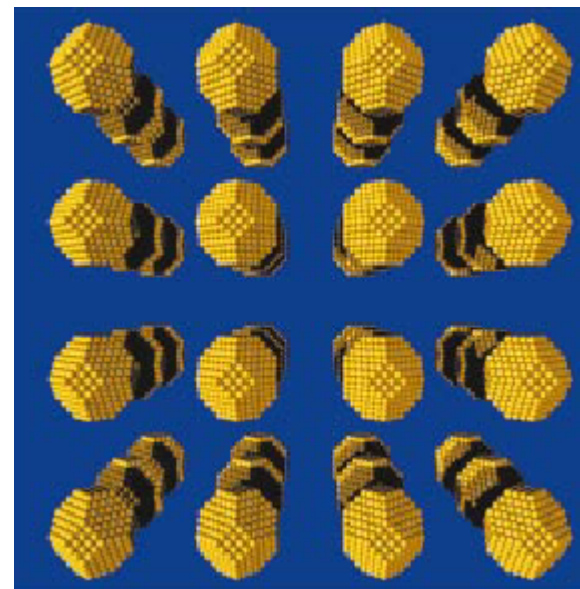
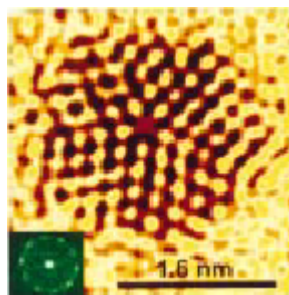
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Nanoparticles – Au₁₄₀

the core



Au₁₄₀



Nanoparticles – the core

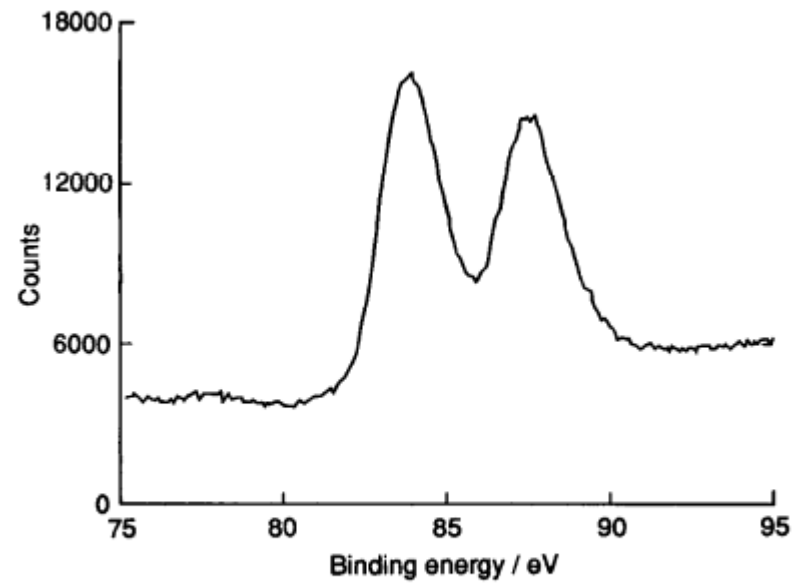
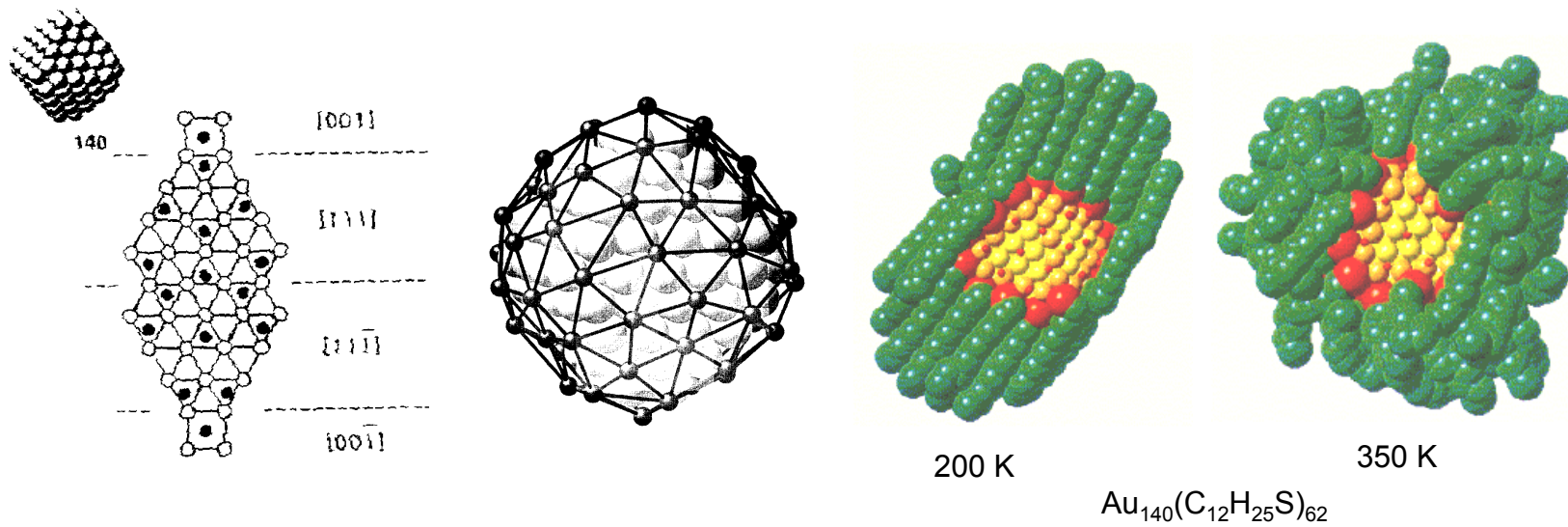


Fig. 3 XPS spectrum of the nanoparticles showing the Au $4f_{7/2}$ and $4f_{5/2}$ doublet with binding energies of 83.8 and 87.5 eV respectively. These are typical values for Au^0 .

Nanoparticles - the monolayer



W. D. Luedtke, U. Landman *J. Phys. Chem.* **1996**, *100*, 13323; *J. Phys. Chem. B* **1998**, *102*, 6566

Au-NPs

Structure of a Thiol Monolayer-Protected Gold Nanoparticle at 1.1 Å Resolution

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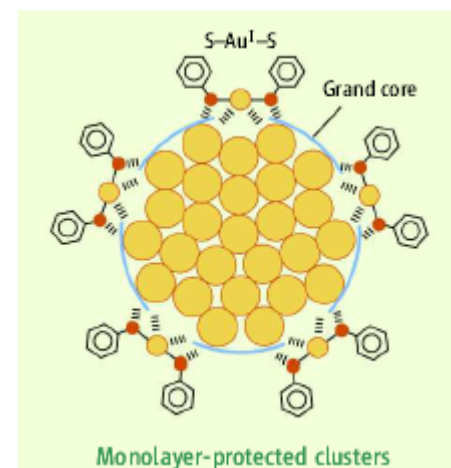
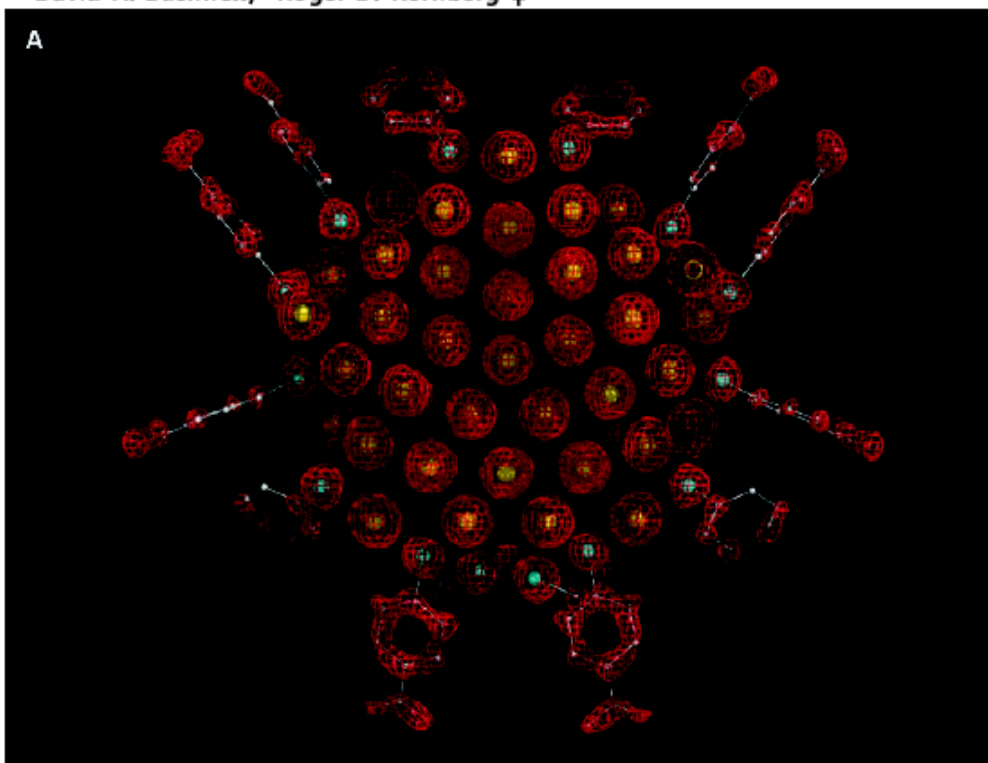
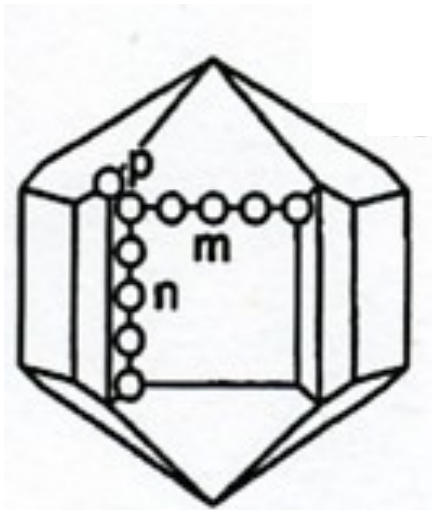


Fig. 1. X-ray crystal structure determination of the Au₁₀₂(p-MBA)₄₄ nanoparticle. (A) Electron density map (red mesh) and atomic structure (gold atoms depicted as yellow spheres, and p-MBA shown as framework and with small spheres [sulfur in cyan, carbon in gray, and oxygen in red]).

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MD (m,n,p)

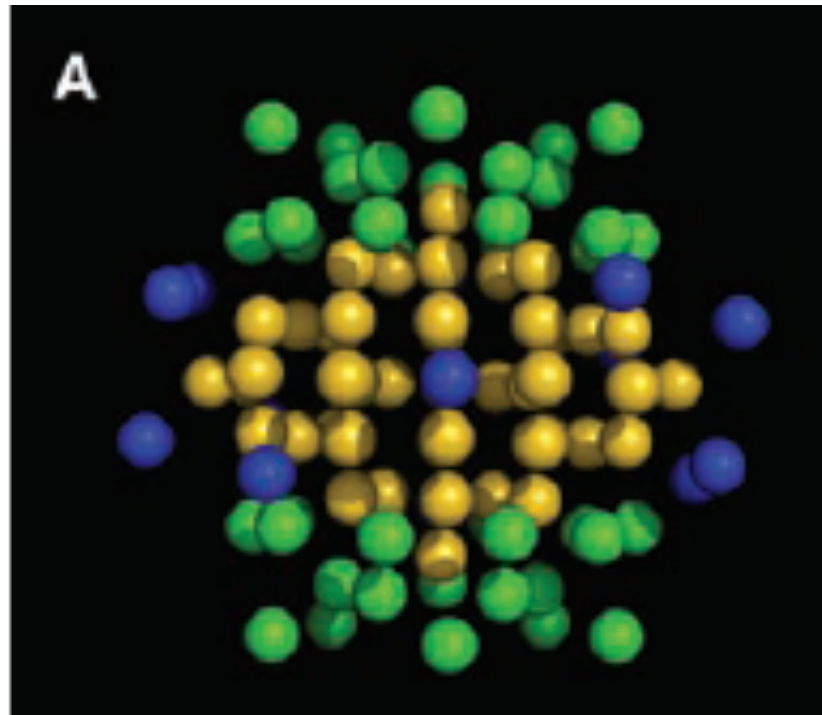
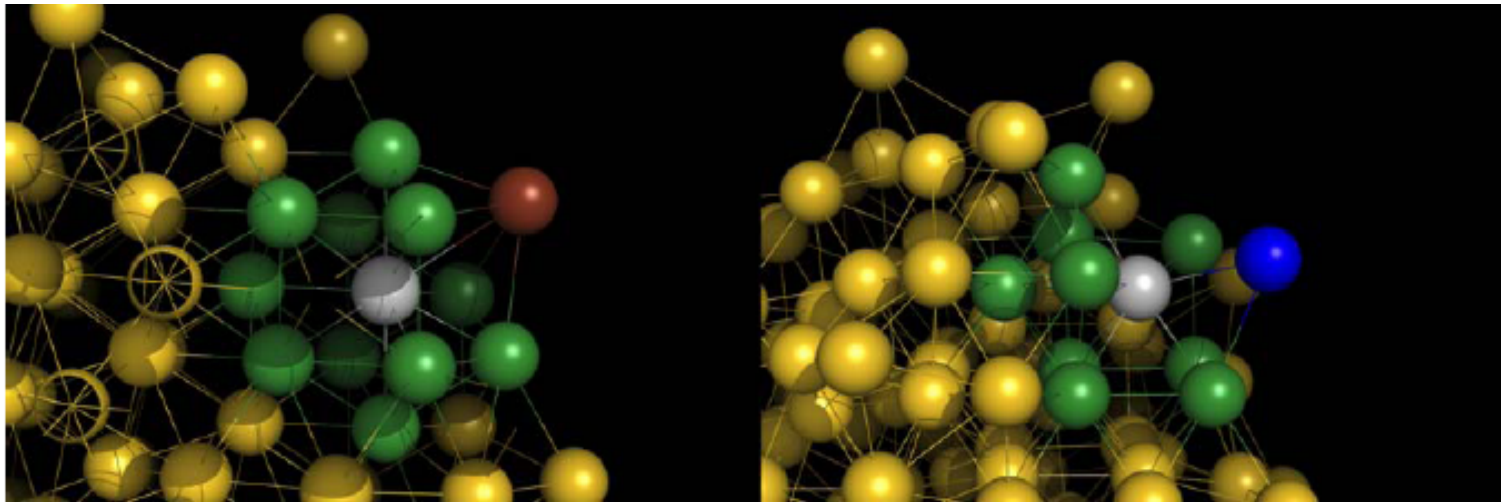
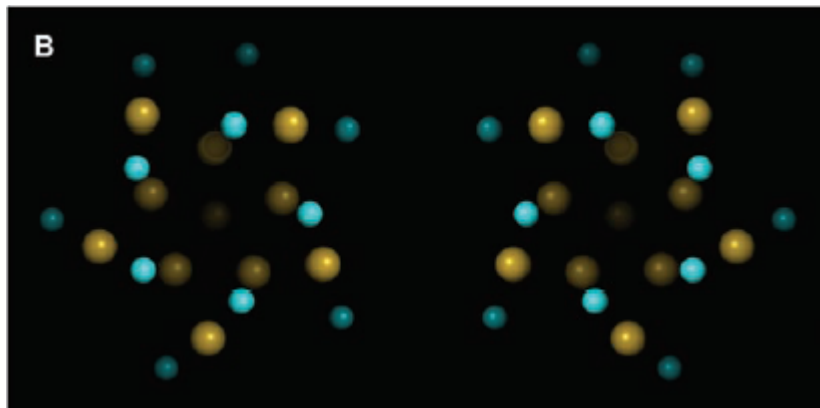


Fig.A: Packing of gold atoms in the nanoparticle. (A) MD (2,1,2) in yellow, two 20-atom “caps” at the poles in green, and the 13-atom equatorial band in blue.

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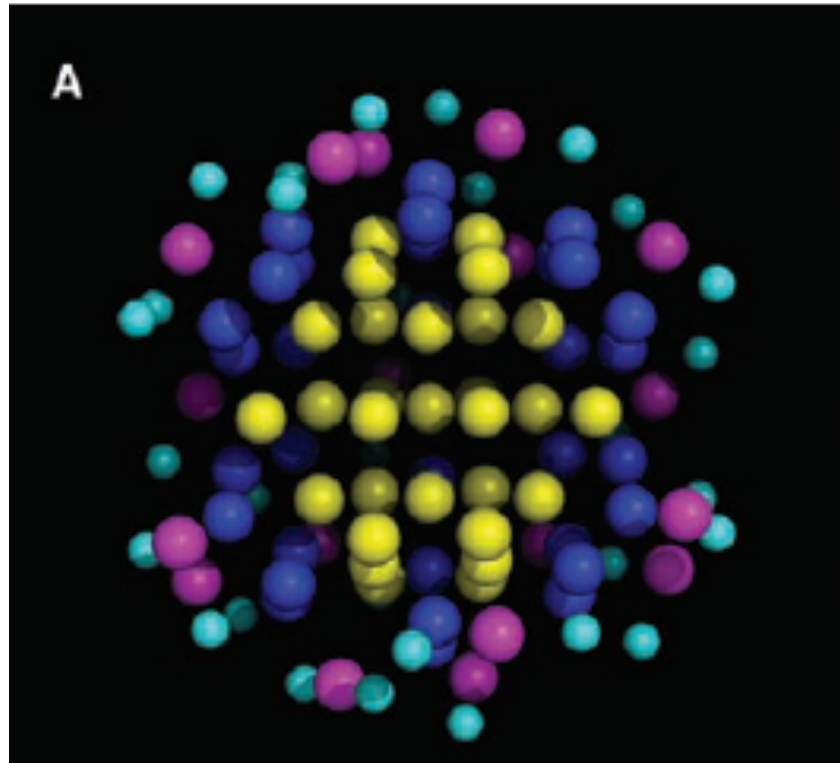


The local environments of the 13 atoms of the equatorial band.



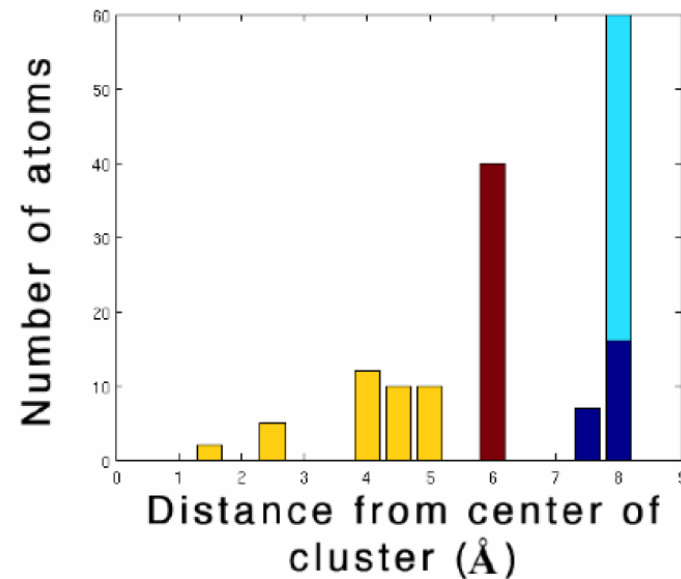
View down the cluster
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Structure of a thiol monolayer-protected Gold Nanoparticle at 1.1 Å resolution

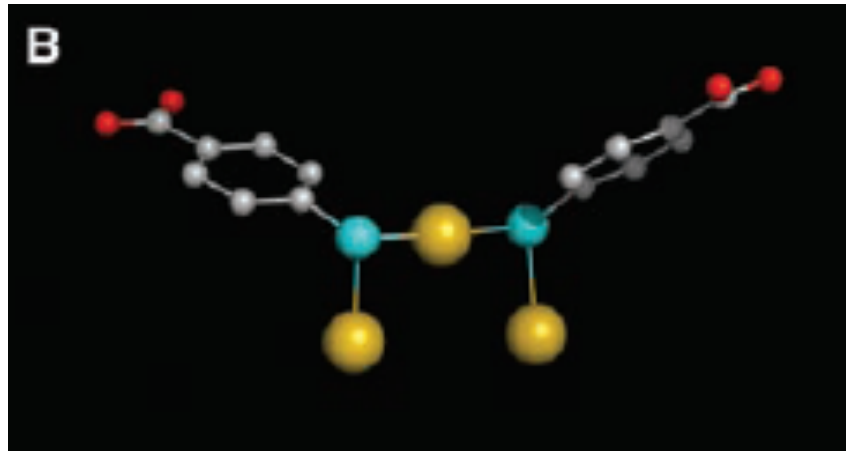


Successive shells of gold atoms interacting with zero (yellow), one (blue), or two (magenta) sulfur atoms. Sulfur atoms are cyan.

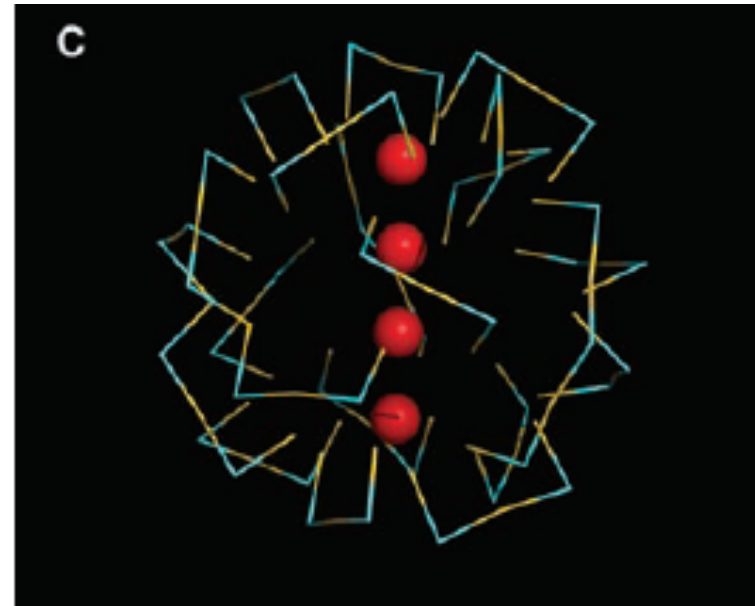
Histogram of distances from the center of the cluster of the different shells. Yellow, the 49-atom MD; brown, gold atoms bound to one sulfur atom; blue, gold atoms bound to two sulfur atoms; cyan, sulfur atoms.



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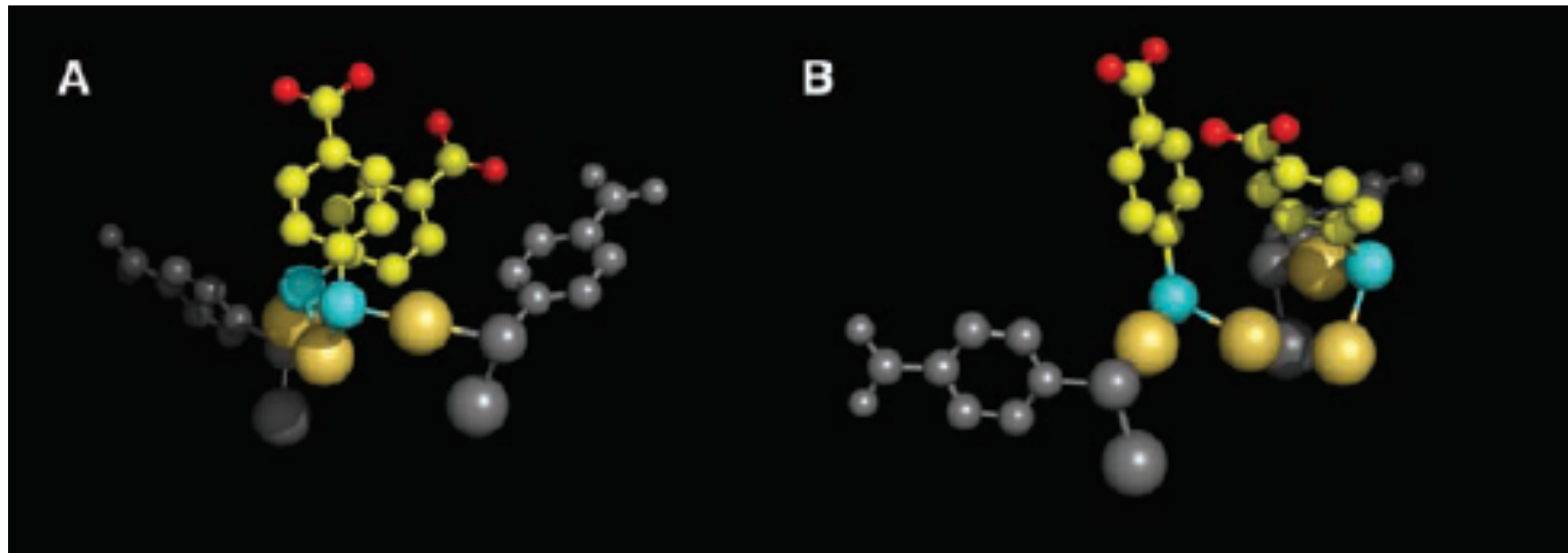


Example of two p-MBAs interacting with three gold atoms in a bridge conformation, here termed a staple motif. Gold atoms are yellow, sulfur atoms are cyan, oxygen atoms are red, and carbon atoms are gray.



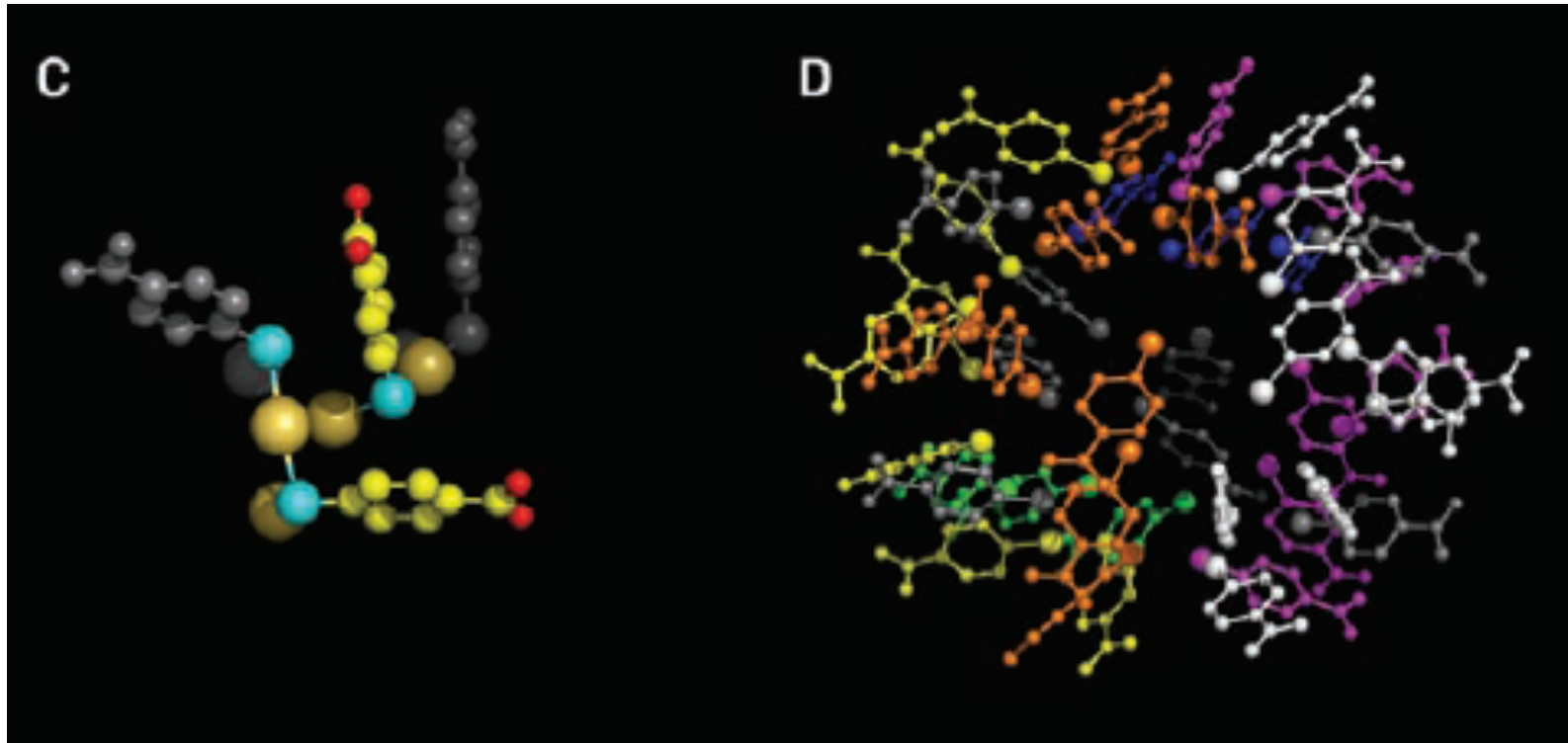
Distribution of staple motifs in the surface of the nanoparticle. Staple motifs are depicted symbolically, with gold in yellow and sulfur in cyan. Only the gold atoms on the axis of the MD are shown (in red).

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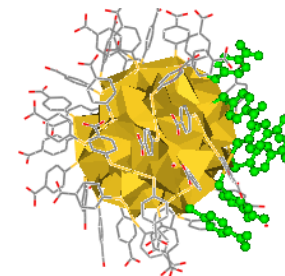
π - π stacking interaction: A) face-to-face B) edge-to-face

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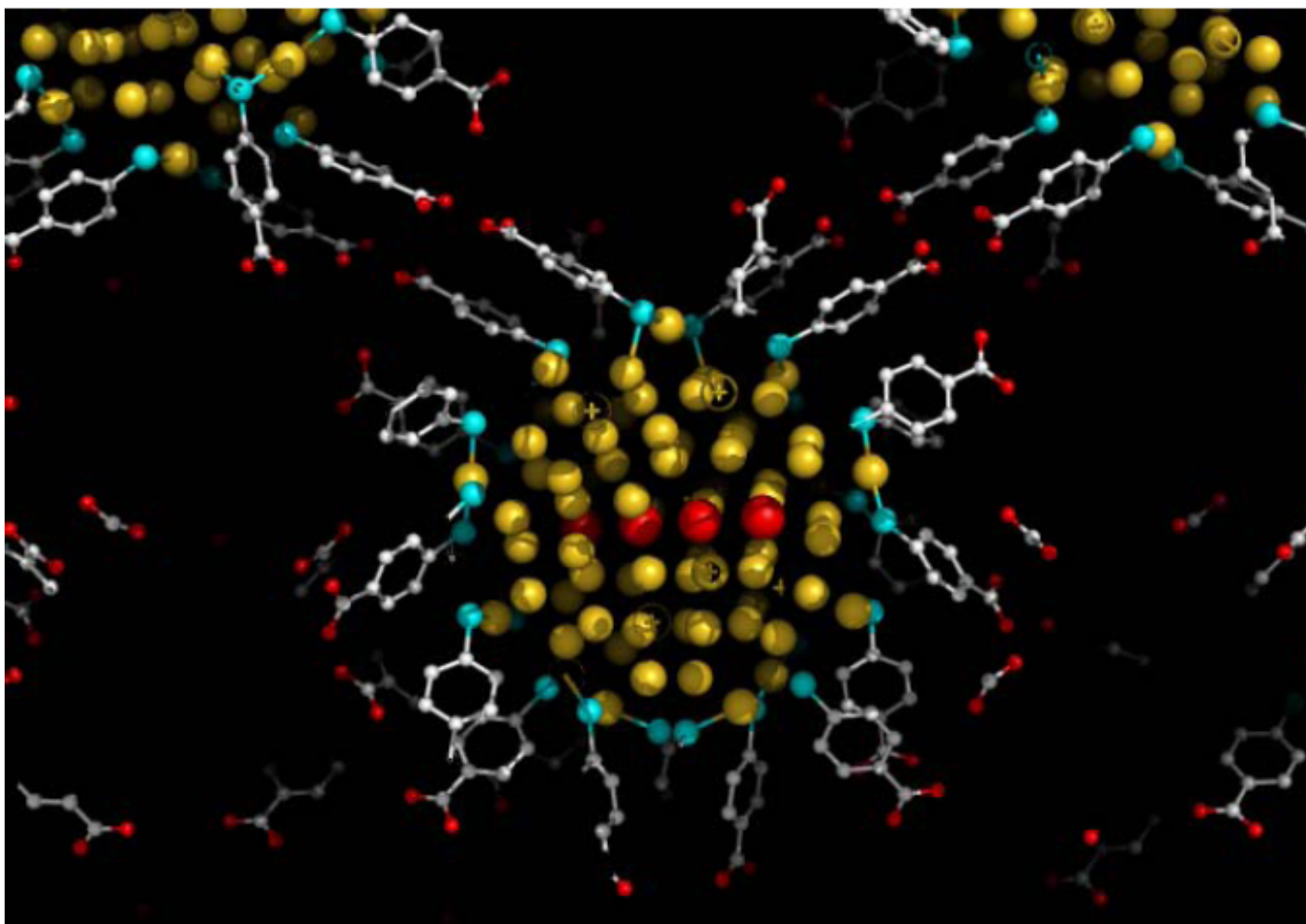


(C) S-Ph stabilization

(D) Chains of interacting p-MBAs, extending across the surface of the nanoparticle, indicated by a different color for each chain.

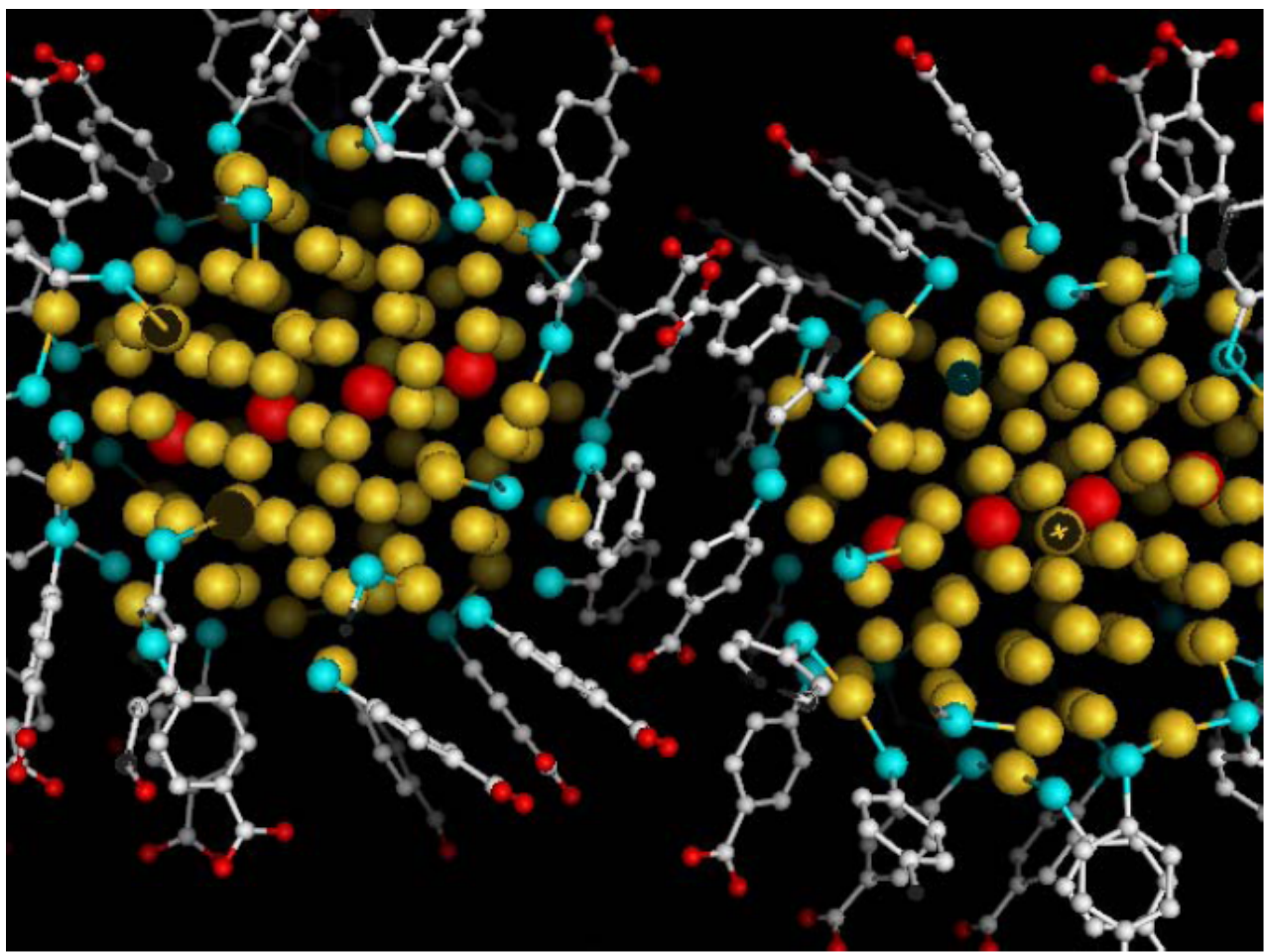


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View of the crystal structure showing interparticle interaction mediated through hydrogen bonding between carboxylic acids.

Structure of a thiol monolayer-protected Gold Nanoparticle at 1.1 Å resolution



View of the crystal structure showing interparticle interactions mediated between stacked phenyl rings.

Crystal Structure of the Gold Nanoparticle $[\text{N}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{17})_4][\text{Au}_{25}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_{18}]$

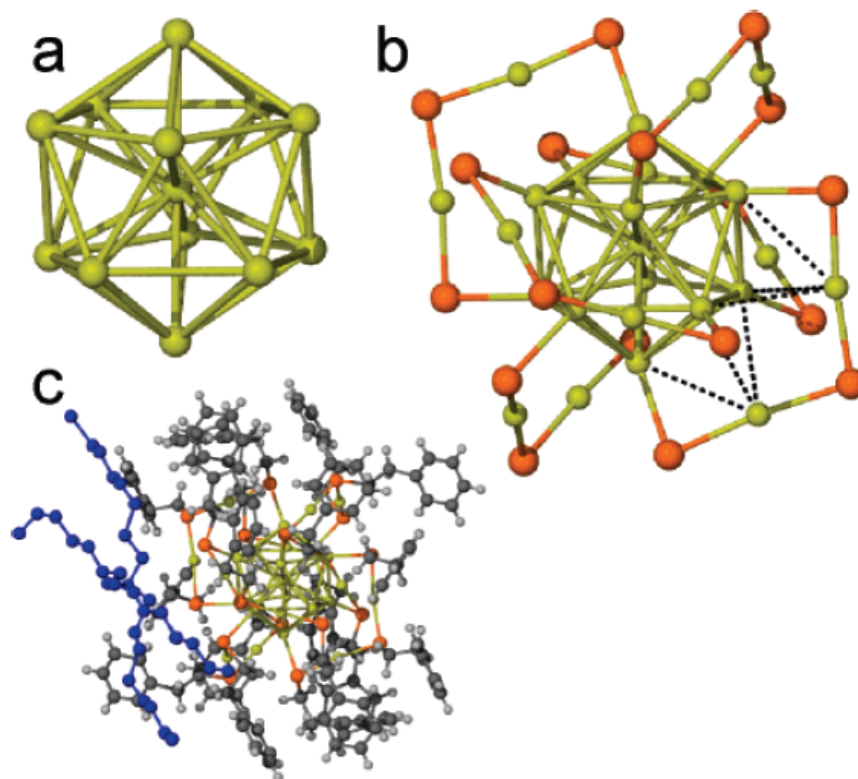


Figure 1. Breakdown of X-ray crystal structure of $[\text{TOA}^+][\text{Au}_{25}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_{18}^-]$ as seen from $[001]$. (a) Arrangement of the Au_{13} core with 12 atoms on the vertices of an icosahedron and one in the center. (b) Depiction of gold and sulfur atoms, showing six orthogonal $-\text{Au}_2(\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_3-$ “staples” surrounding the Au_{13} core (two examples of possible aurophilic bonding shown as dashed lines). (c) $[\text{TOA}^+][\text{Au}_{25}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_{18}^-]$ structure with the ligands and TOA^+ cation (depicted in blue) (Legend: Gold = yellow; Sulfur = orange; Carbon = gray; Hydrogen = off-white; the TOA^+ counterion is over two positions with one removed for clarity).

Conversion of Anionic $[\text{Au}_{25}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_{18}]^-$ Cluster to Charge Neutral Cluster via Air Oxidation

M. Zhu, W. T. Eckenhoff, T. Pintauer, R. Jin *J. Phys. Chem. C*, Vol. 112, No. 37, 2008

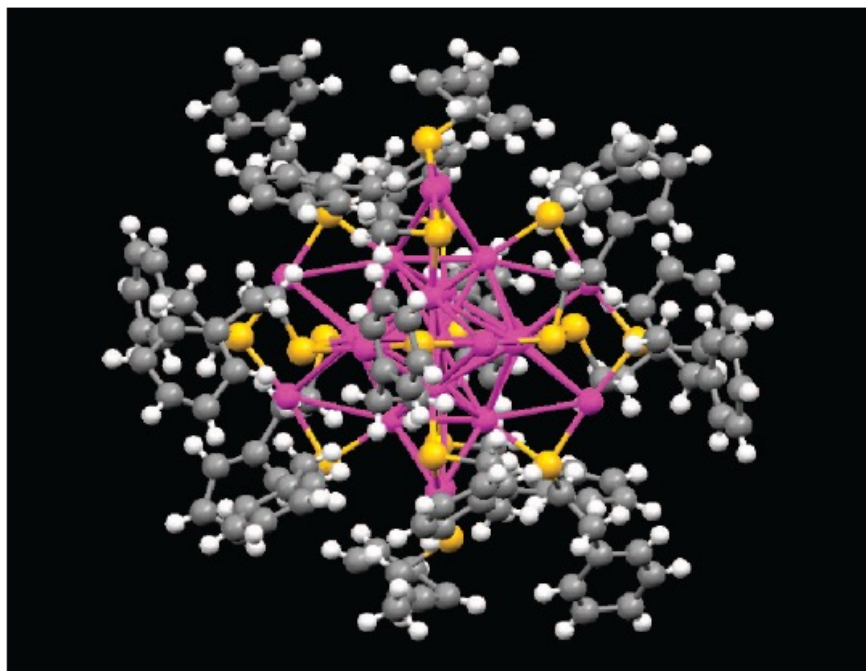


Figure 2. Crystal structure of a charge neutral $\text{Au}_{25}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_{18}$ cluster (magenta, Au; orange, S; gray, C; white, H atom). Space group: $Pccn$; for clarity, only one cluster in the unit cell (containing four clusters) is shown.

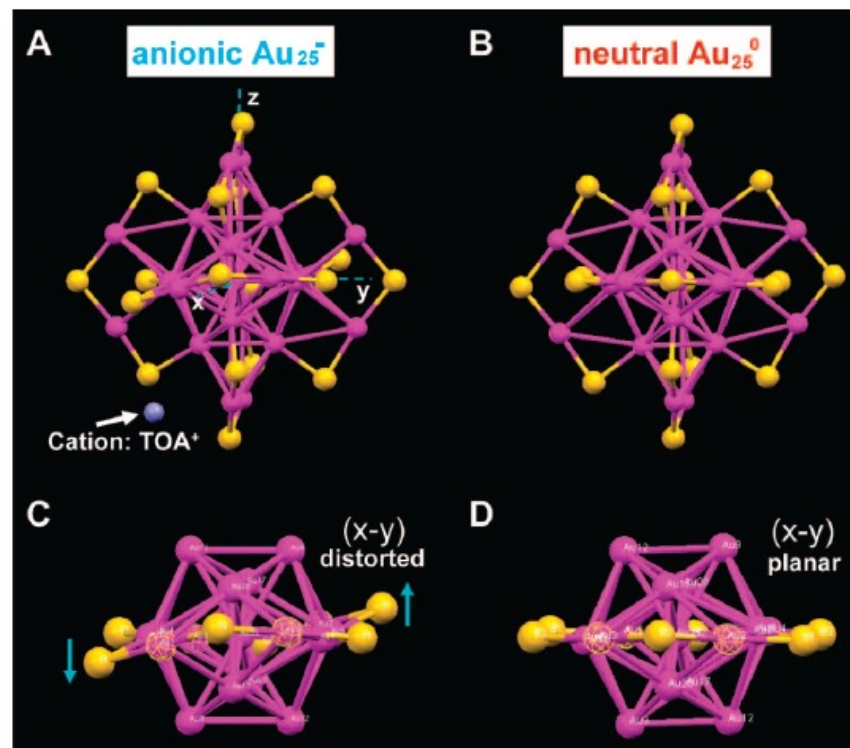


Figure 3. Comparison of the crystal structures of Au_{25} anionic (A,C) and neutral (B,D) clusters. Both clusters are capped by 18 phenylethanethiol ligands (for clarity C and H atoms are omitted); for anionic Au_{25} , the counterion is tetraoctylammonium TOA^+ (only N (in blue) is shown for clarity).

Correlating the Crystal Structure of A Thiol-Protected Au₂₅ Cluster and Optical Properties

M. Zhu, C. M. Aikens, F. J. Hollander, G. C. Schatz, R. Jin *J. AM. CHEM. SOC.* **2008**, *130*, 5883–5885

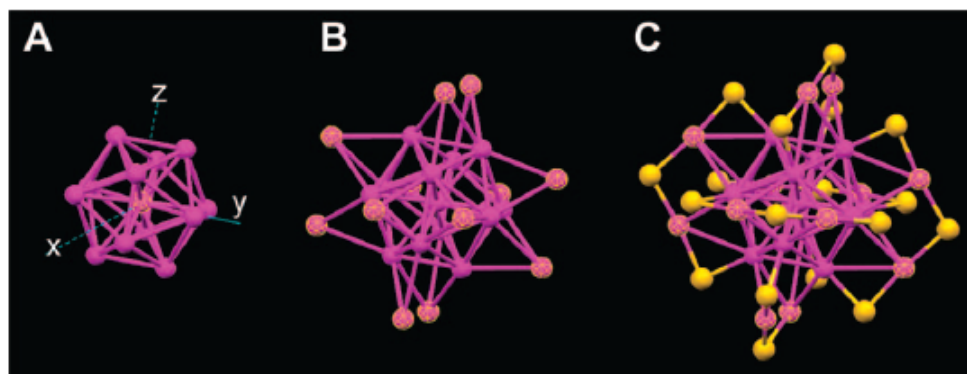


Figure 1. Crystal structure of a Au₂₅(SR)₁₈ cluster (R is phenylethyl group): (A) the icosahedral Au₁₃ core; (B) the Au₁₃ core plus the exterior 12 Au atoms; (C) the whole Au₂₅ cluster protected by 18 thiolate ligands (for clarity, only S was shown, magenta, Au; yellow, S).

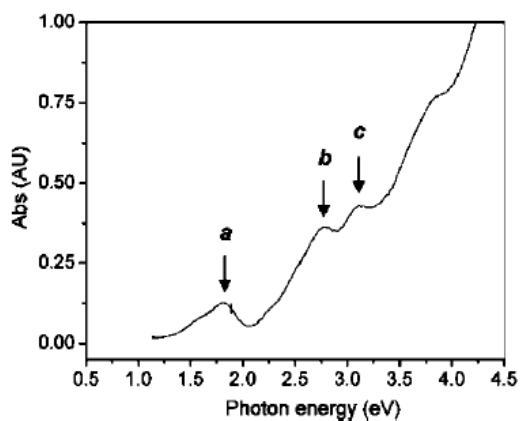


Figure 2. The UV-vis spectrum of Au₂₅ clusters (single crystals redissolved in toluene). No Jacobian correction was done.

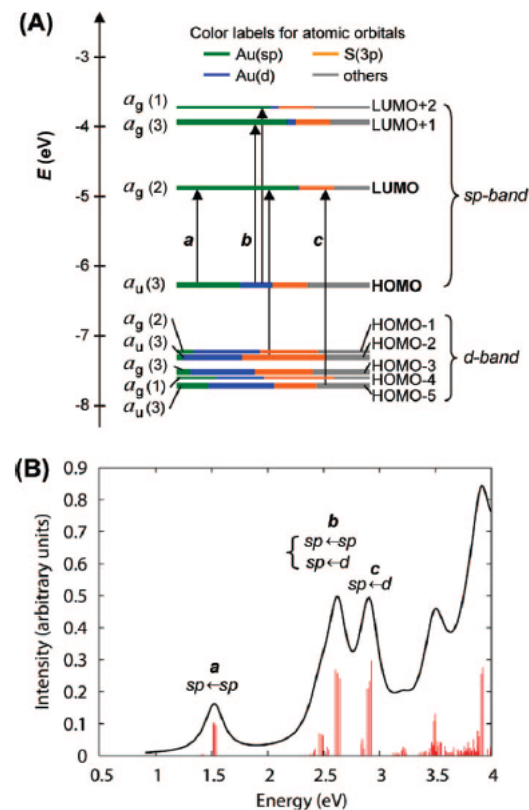
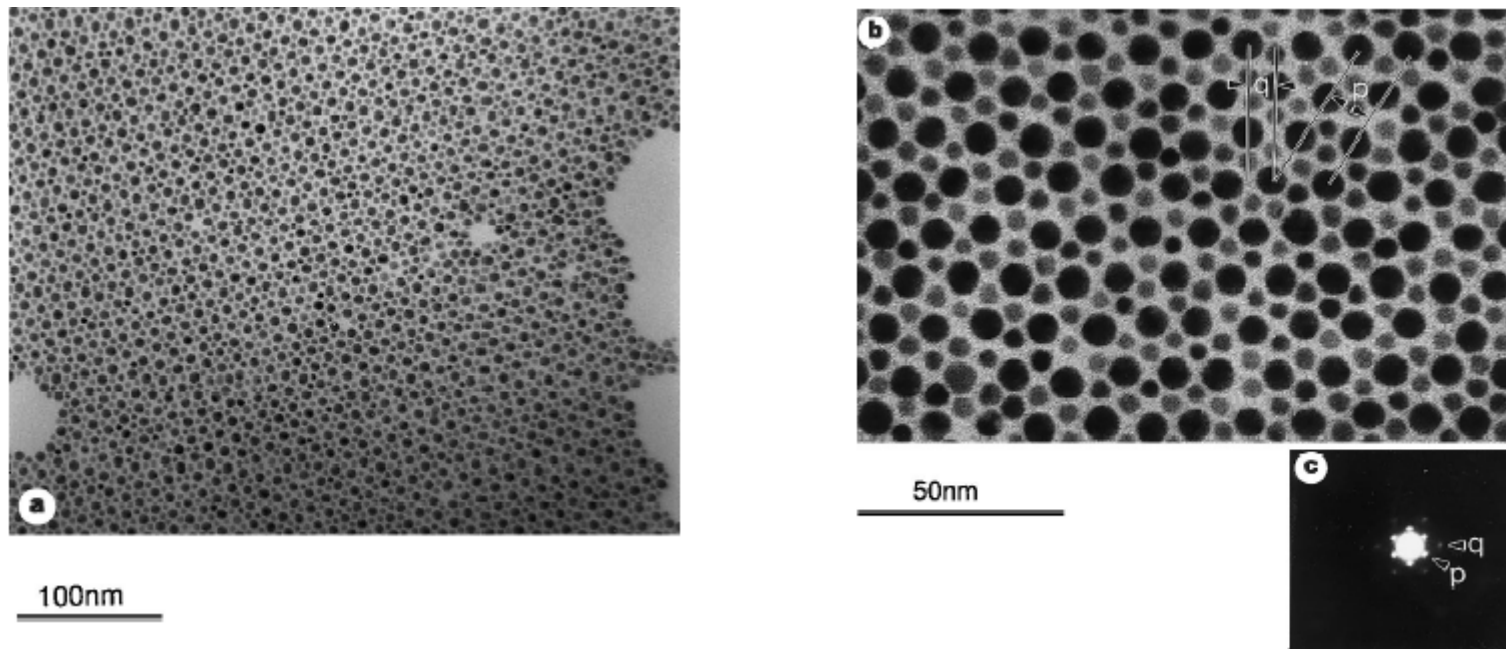


Figure 3. (A) Kohn-Sham orbital energy level diagram for a model compound Au₂₅(SH)₁₈⁻. The energies are in units of eV. Each KS orbital is drawn to indicate the relative contributions (line length with color labels) of the atomic orbitals of Au (6sp) in green, Au (5d) in blue, S (3p) in yellow, and others in gray (those unspecified atomic orbitals, each with a < 1% contribution). The left column of the KS orbitals shows the orbital symmetry (g, u) and degeneracy (in parenthesis); the right column shows the HOMO and LUMO sets. (B) The theoretical absorption spectrum of Au₂₅(SH)₁₈⁻. Peak assignments: peak a corresponds to 1.8 eV observed, peak b corresponds to 2.75 eV (observed), and peak c corresponds to 3.1 eV (observed).

Nanoparticles - spontaneous ordering

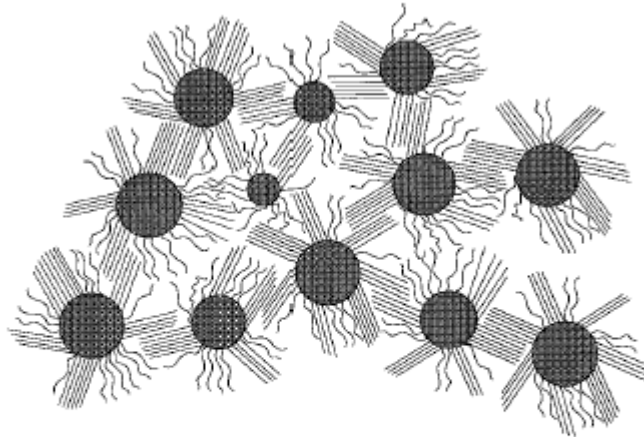
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An ordered raft comprising Au nanoparticles of two distinct sizes with $R_B/R_A < 0.58$. Shown are electron micrographs at low (a) and higher (b) magnification. c, The low-angle superlattice electron diffraction pattern obtained from this bimodal raft structure.

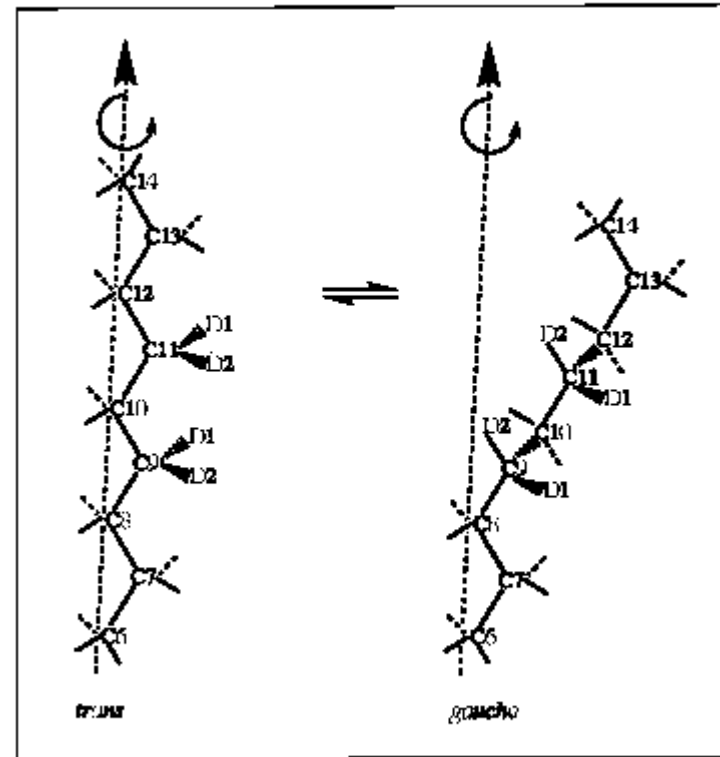
3D alkanethiolate monolayers

Scheme 1. A Schematic 2D Representation of the RS/Au Nanoparticle Packing Structure in the Solid State^a



^a In this description, *domains* or *bundles* of ordered alkanethiolate chains on a given Au particle will interdigitate into the chain domains of neighboring particles in order to compensate for the substantial decrease in the chain density which occurs toward the methyl chain end. Chains with large populations of *gauche* bonds may arise from (i) those which occupy interstitial regions in the particle lattice and cannot efficiently overlap with adjacent chains or from (ii) chains residing at domain boundaries.

Scheme 2. The Types of Chain Dynamic Processes Suggested by the ²H NMR Line Shapes of the Deuterated C₁₈S/Au Nanoparticles^a



^a These processes involve *trans-gauche* bond isomerization and pseudorotational motion of individual chain segments about the long axis of the alkanethiolate molecule.

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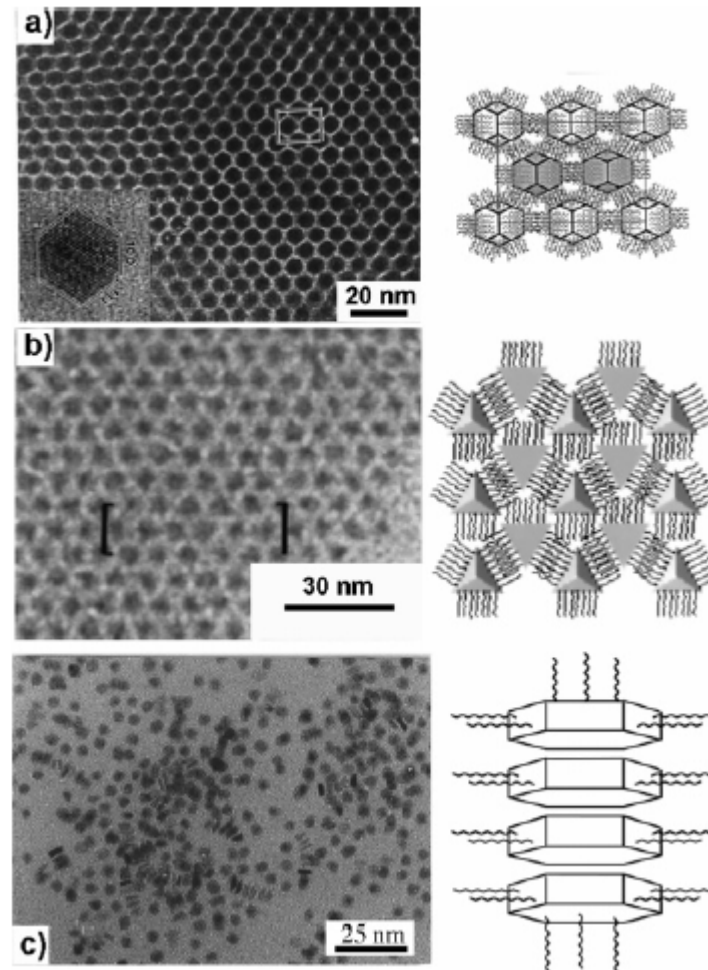


Figure 11. (a) (Left) TEM image of a face-centered, cubicpacked, array of silver nanoparticles, passivated with a dodecanethiolate monolayer, with a truncated octahedral morphology (see inset). (Right) Representation of the proposed packing of the particles via interdigitation of the bundled alkyl chains on each face. (b) (Left) TEM image of a monolayer of self-assembled silver tetrahedra passivated with dodecanethiolates. The bracketed area most closely matches the proposed model. (c) (Left) TEM image of a monolayer of self-assembled silver nanoparticles passivated with dodecanethiolates. The bracketed area most closely matches the proposed model.

Alkanethiolate Gold Cluster Molecules with Core Diameters from 1.5 to 5.2 nm: Core and Monolayer Properties as a Function of Core Size

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Table 1. Size and Composition Results for Different Cluster Preparations

preparation conditions ^a	SAXS ^b R_G , nm, max/min	SAXS ^c R_{POROD} , nm	HRTEM ^d R_{TEM} , nm	TGA ^e % organic	NMR ^f CH ₃ , ν_{FWHM} Hz
−78°,2X,sd	1.7/0.91	0.76	—	30.7	16
0°,2X,fd	—	—	1.1	28.8	21
0°,2X,md	—	—	—	26.7	22.5
0°,2X,sd	1.7/1.0	0.89	1.1	26.2	25.5
RT,1X,fd	1.7/1.2	1.0	—	25.6	24.5
RT,4X,fd	1.7/1.1	0.94	—	24.9	26
RT,2X,sd	1.6/1.2	0.96	—	24.5	27
RT,2X,fd	—	—	—	23.7	25.5
60°,2X,sd	1.4/1.2	0.98	—	24.1	29
90°,2X,sd	—	—	1.1	23.2	32
RT,1/2X,fd	1.6/1.4	1.2	1.2	19.4	37
RT,1/3X,fd	1.8/1.6	1.4	1.4	16.9	45
RT,1/4X,fd	2.1/2.0	1.7	2.0	12.8	53
RT,1/6X,fd	2.9/2.5	2.2	2.2	9.3	126 ^g
RT,1/8X,fd	—	—	—	10.4	124 ^g
RT,1/10X,fd	—	—	2.4	6.2	144 ^g
RT,1/12X,fd	—	—	2.6	11.9	163 ^g

^a Code for preparation conditions: (a,b,c), where a represents the temperature at which the reduction was carried out, b represents the RSH:AuCl₄[−] molar ratio before reduction, and c represents the rate of reductant addition (fd, 10 s; md, 2 m; sd, 15 m). ^b SAXS results for Au core radius determined from Guinier plot. ^c SAXS results from Porod plot. ^d HRTEM results, average Au core size from analysis of histogram of HRTEM images. ^e TGA for thermal loss of alkanethiolate fraction of clusters. ^f Proton NMR linewidths. ^g CH₃ ¹H NMR signal obscured; the CH₂ resonance was used instead for these clusters.

Nanoparticles - characterization

TEM

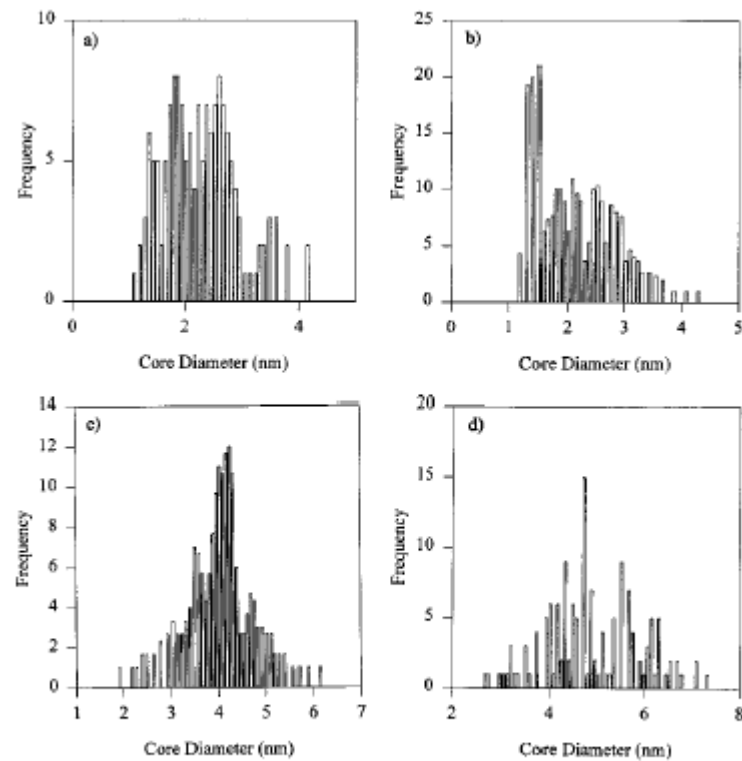


Figure 2. Size histograms (a and d are for films shown in Figure 1): (a) (0° , 2X, fd); (b) (0° , 2X, sd); (c) (RT, 1/4X, fd); (d) (RT, 1/6X, fd).

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Table 2. Results from Modeling of Gold Core Sizes, Shapes, and Alkanethiolate Coverages, and of Size-Dependent T_2 Broadening of Proton NMR of CH_3 Resonances

#atoms (shape) ^a	R_{CORE} , nm	#surface atoms/ %defect/area nm ²	calc TGA %organic/ %coverage/#chains	calc R_{TOTAL} , nm	calc NMR ν_{FWHM} , Hz
79 (TO ⁺)	0.65	60/60%/8.30	33.0/63%/38	2.6	15
116 (TO ⁻)	0.71	78/61%/11.36	31.8/68%/53	2.6	16
140 (TO ⁺)	0.81	96/50%/11.43	27.9/55%/53	2.7	17
201 (TO)	0.87	128/47%/15.22	26.5/55%/71	2.8	18
225 (TO ⁺)	0.98	140/43%/15.19	24.4/51%/71	2.9	19
309 (CO)	1.1	162/52%/19.64	23.3/57%/92	3.0	22
314 (TO ⁺)	1.0	174/41%/19.46	22.9/52%/91	3.0	20
459 (TO ⁺)	1.2	234/36%/24.34	20.2/49%/114	3.1	23
586 (TO)	1.2	272/35%/28.94	19.1/50%/135	3.2	24
807 (TO ⁺)	1.4	348/31%/34.86	17.1/47%/163	3.3	27
976 (TO ⁻)	1.5	390/31%/40.02	16.4/48%/187	3.4	28
1289 (TO)	1.6	482/27%/47.22	14.9/46%/221	3.5	32
2406 (TO)	2.0	752/22%/69.86	12.2/43%/326	3.9	42
2951 (TO ⁺)	2.2	876/21%/79.44	11.4/42%/371	4.1	47; 94 ^b
4033 (TO)	2.4	1082/19%/97.00	10.3/42%/453	4.3	55; 110 ^b
4794 (TO ⁺)	2.6	1230/18%/108.28	9.7/41%/506	4.4	61; 122 ^b
6266 (TO)	2.8	1472/16%/128.66	8.9/41%/601	4.7	70; 140 ^b

^a CO = cuboctahedron; TO = ideal truncoctahedron (all sides equal); TO⁺ = truncoctahedron in which ($0 < n - m \leq 4$), where n is the number of atoms between (111) facets and m is the number of atoms between (111) and (100) facets; TO⁻ = truncoctahedron in which ($-4 \leq n - m < 0$, $m > 1$). ^b The second value is the calculated linewidth for the methylene peak.

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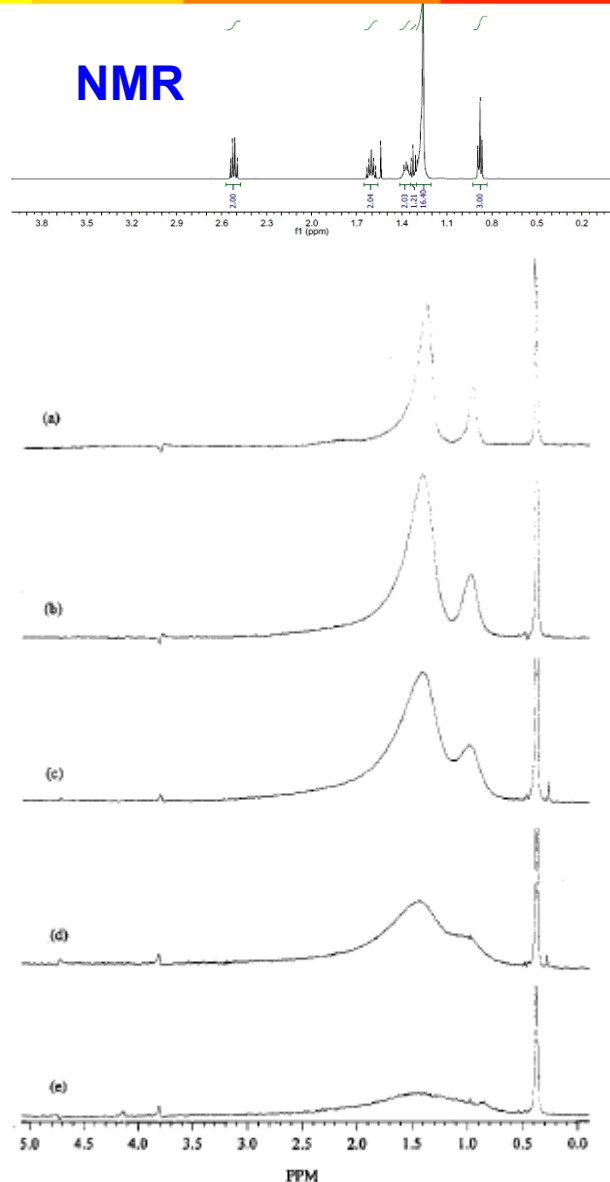


Figure 5. The ^1H NMR spectra (C_6D_6) of dodecanethiolate-protected Au clusters. Each spectrum was Fourier transformed using a line broadening of 1 Hz: (a) (-78° , 2X, sd); (b) (90° , 2X, sd); (c) (RT, 1/3X, fd); (d) (RT, 1/4X, fd); (e) (RT, 1/12X, fd).

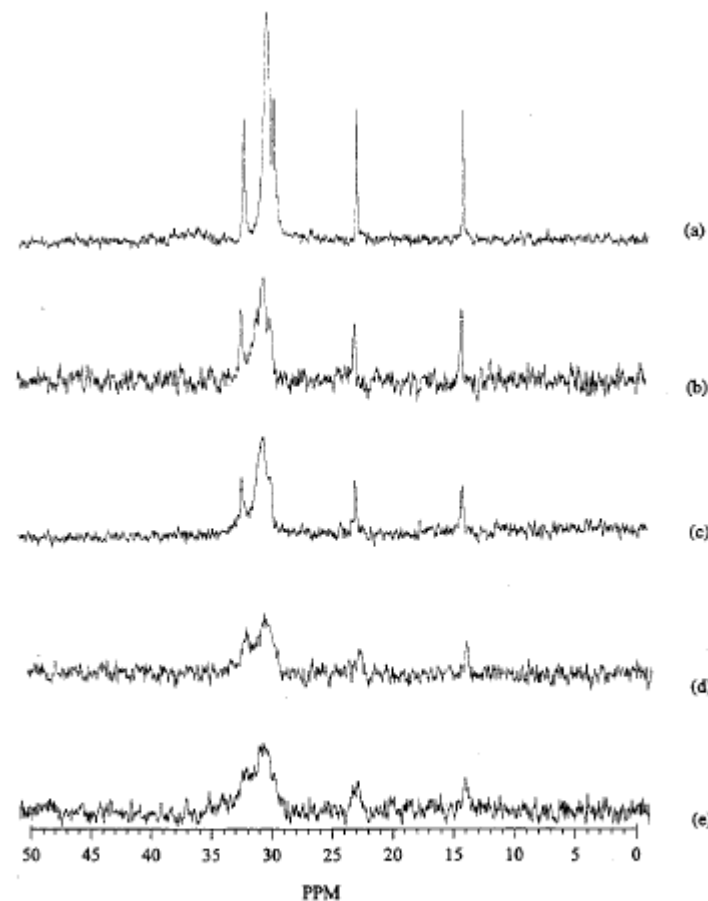


Figure 4. The ^{13}C NMR spectra (C_6D_6) of dodecanethiolate-protected Au clusters. Each spectrum was Fourier transformed using a line broadening of 3 Hz: (a) (-78° , 2X, sd); (b) (90° , 2X, sd); (c) (RT, 1/3X, fd); (d) (RT, 1/4X, fd); (e) (RT, 1/6X, fd).

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Table 3. Cluster Core Size Assignments:
Reconciliation of Cluster Coverages Based on SAXS, TGA
and HRTEM-Determined Core Radii and Presumed
Polyhedral Shapes, and of NMR Line Broadening with
Estimated Core Radii

preparation conditions	core radius R_{AVG} , nm	# atoms in avg cluster	TGA expt. %coverage, avg. cluster	ratio expt. ν_{FWHM} to calc. ν_{FWHM}
-78°, 2X, sd	0.76	116	64	1.0
0°, 2X, fd	0.96	116/140	59	1.31, 1.24
0°, 2X, md	0.98	201	55	1.25
0°, 2X, sd	0.98	201/225	55	1.42, 1.34
RT, 1X, fd	1.0	225/314	57	1.29, 1.22
RT, 4X, fd	1.0	225/314	55	1.37, 1.3
RT, 2X, sd	1.0	225/314	54	1.42, 1.35
RT, 2X, fd	1.0	225/314	52	1.34, 1.28
60°, 2X, sd	1.0	225/314	53	1.53, 1.45
90°, 2X, sd	0.96	201	46	1.78
RT, 1/2X, fd	1.4	586	51	1.54
RT, 1/3X, fd	1.5	976	50	1.61
RT, 1/4X, fd	2.2	2406	46	1.26
RT, 1/6X, fd	2.2	2951	34	1.34
RT, 1/8X, fd	2.2	2951	38	1.32
RT, 1/10X, fd	2.4	4033	24	1.31
RT, 1/12X, fd	2.6	4794	51 ^a	1.34

^a Unusually high value is likely due to coadsorbed solvent or tetraoctylammonium cations.

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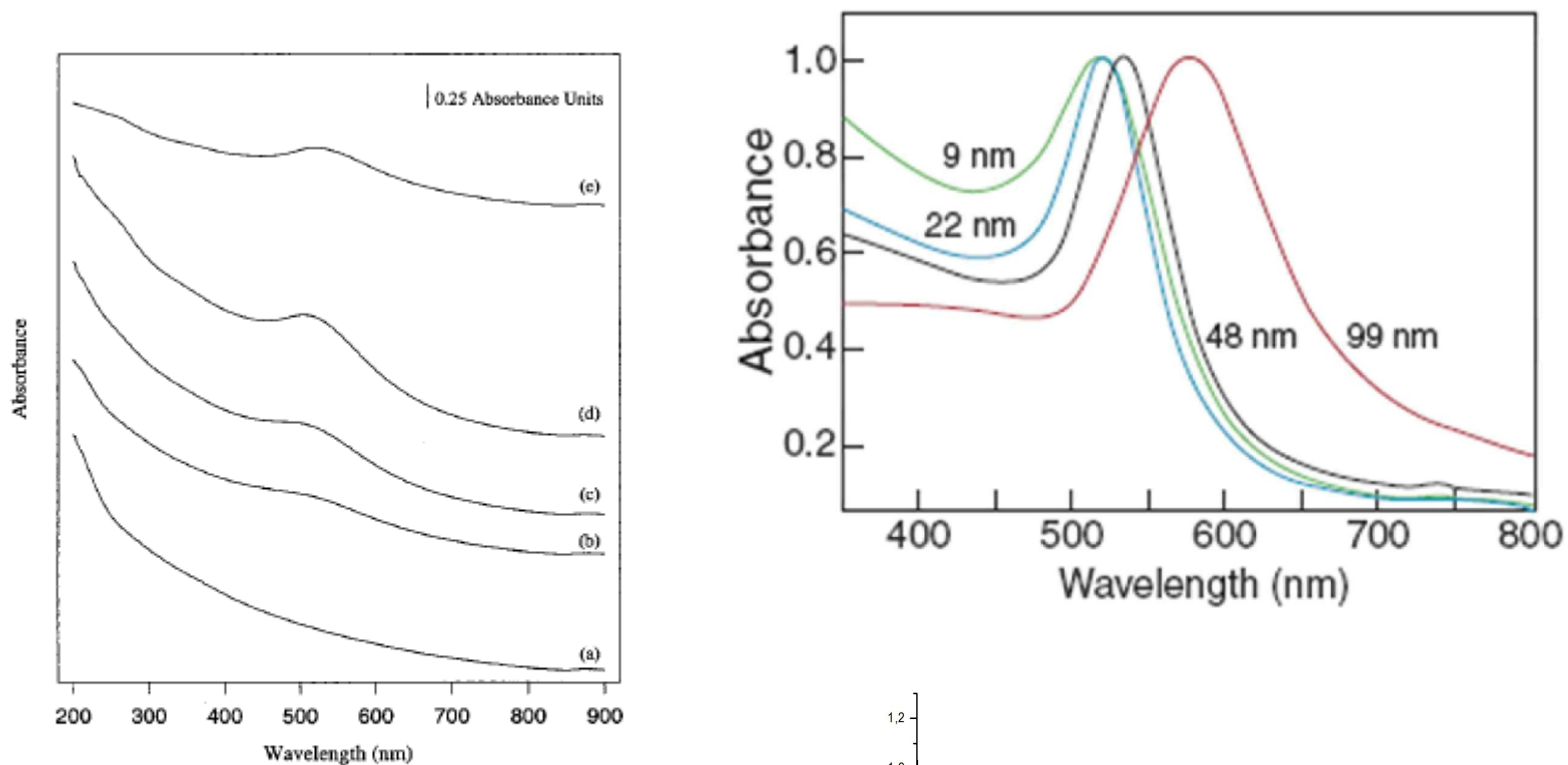
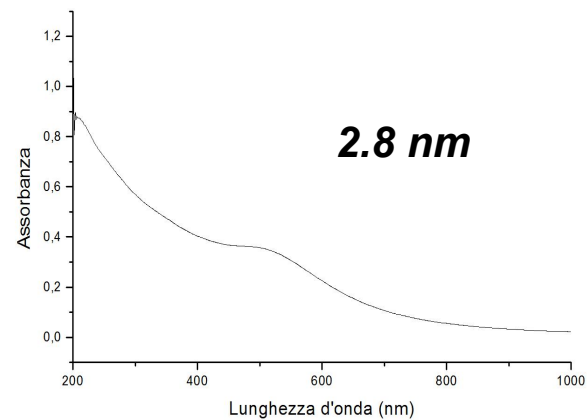
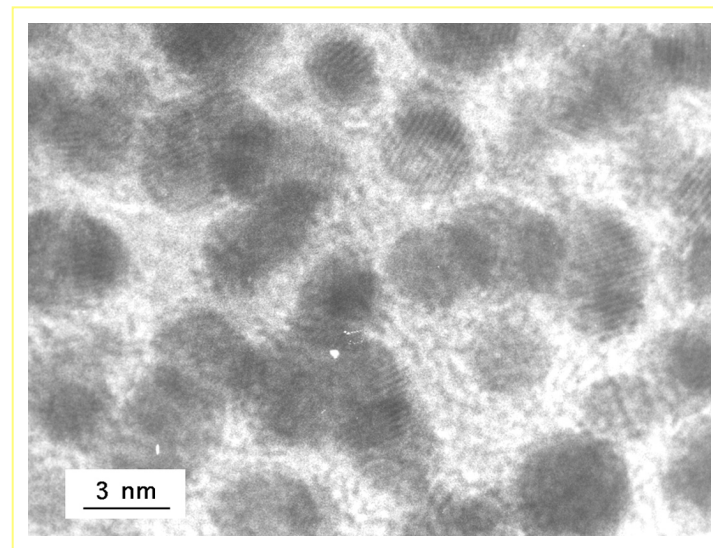
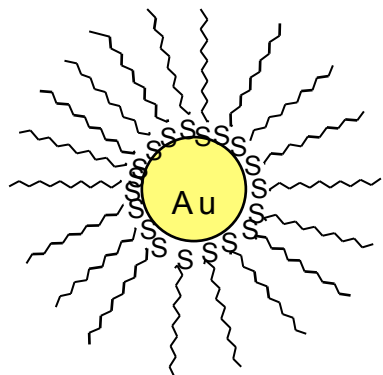


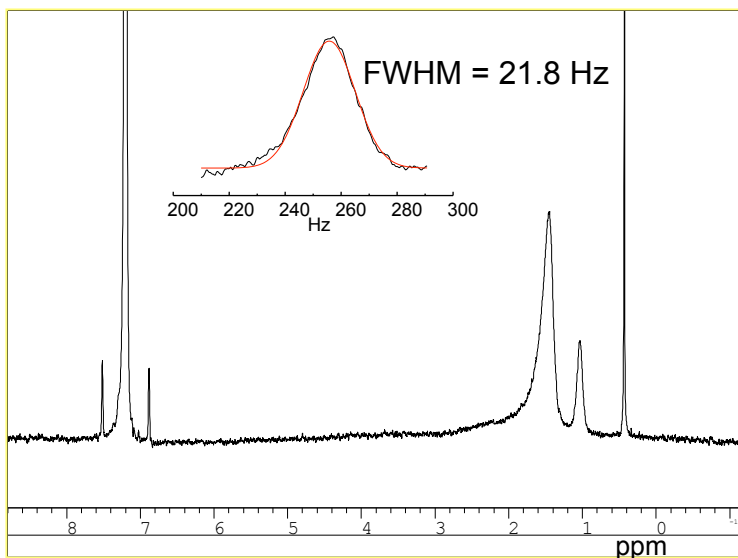
Figure 7. The UV/vis spectra (hexane) of dodecanethiolate-protected Au clusters: (a) (-78° , 2X, sd), $C = 3 \times 10^{-6}$ M, MW = 3.4×10^4 amu; (b) (90° , 2X, sd), $C = 2 \times 10^{-6}$ M, MW = 5.5×10^4 amu; (c) (RT, 1/3X, fd), $C = 4 \times 10^{-7}$ M, MW = 2.3×10^5 amu; (d) (RT, 1/4X, fd), $C = 2 \times 10^{-7}$ M, MW = 5.5×10^5 amu; (e) (RT, 1/12X, fd), $C = 9 \times 10^{-8}$ M, MW = 1.1×10^6 amu.



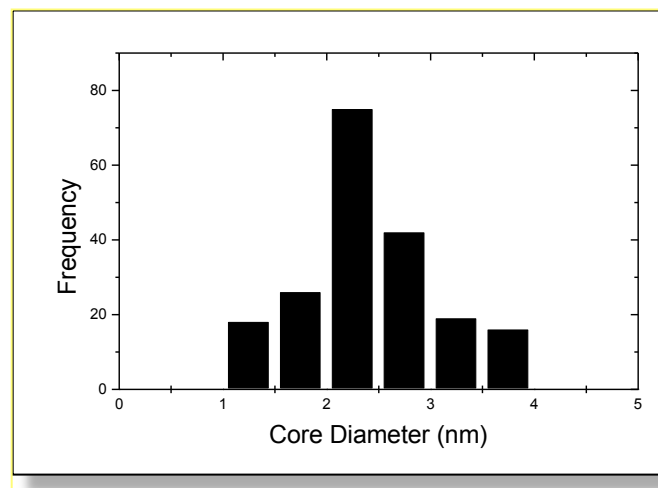
MPCC12



HRTEM



^1H NMR (250 MHz, C_6D_6)



Core size histogram: core diameter 2.2 ± 0.4 nm

MPC-C12

Au₁₁₆(SR)₅₀ (MW=)

MPC-C12 - TGA Analysis

