

# Graphene Nanoelectronics

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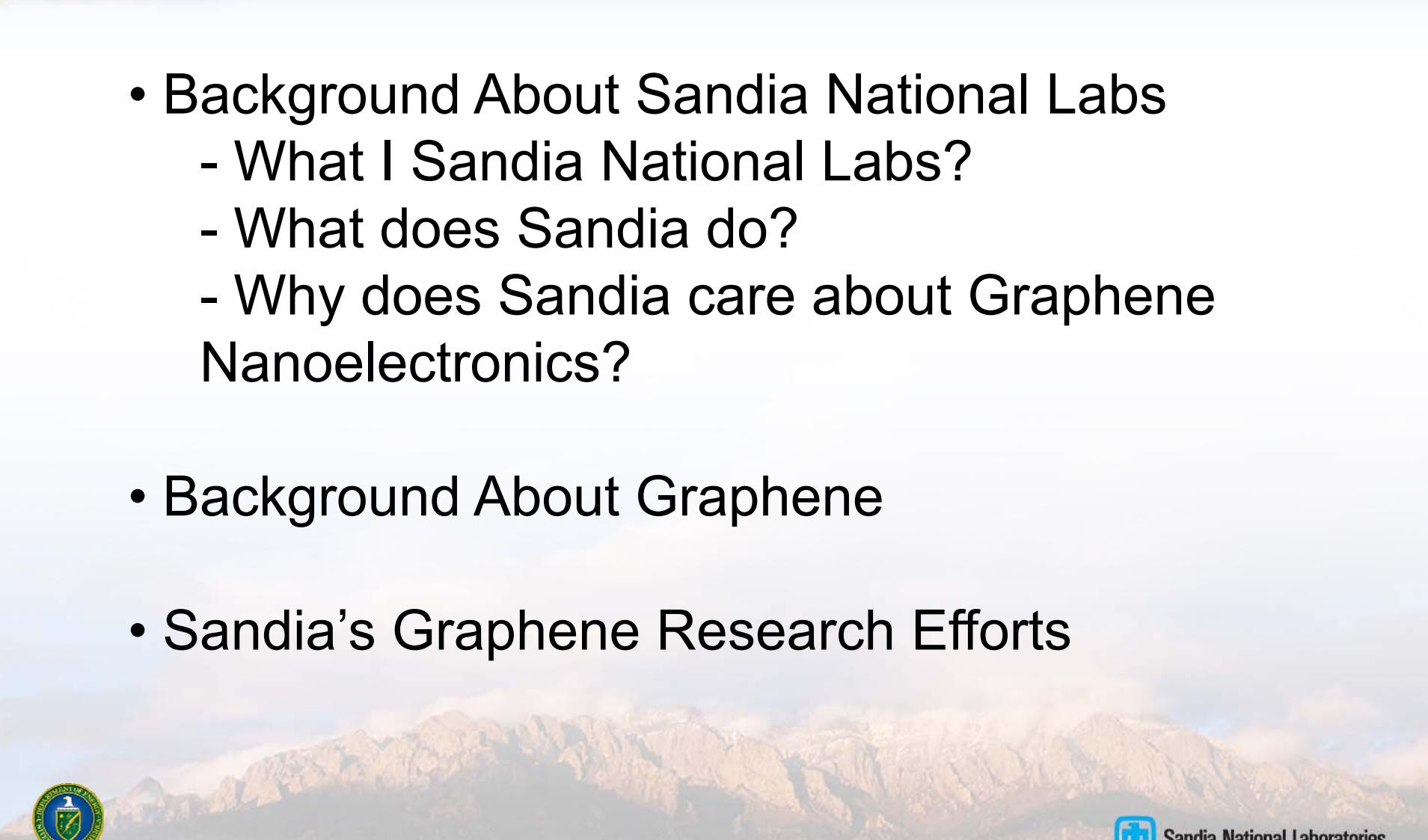
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- Sandia's Graphene Research Efforts



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**First...**

**What is Sandia National Labs?**

**What does Sandia National Labs do?**

**Why do they care about Graphene  
Nanoelectronics?**



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# Sandia's Beginning: Spin Off from LANL's Z-Division (1949)



exceptional service in the national interest.



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 18, 1949

Dear Mr. Wilson:

I am informed that the Atomic Energy Commission intends to ask that the Bell Telephone Laboratories accept under contract the responsibility for the development of atomic energy at Albuquerque, New Mexico.

This corporation, which is a world leader in the field of atomic energy, has the facilities, the scientific and technical personnel, and the experience to meet the requirements of atomic defense, and should have the ability to receive technical direction.

I hope that after you have heard more in detail from the Atomic Energy Commission, your organization will find it possible to undertake this task. In my opinion you have an opportunity to render an exceptional service in the national interest.

I am writing a similar note direct to Dr. C. E. Buckley.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Leroy A. Wilson,  
President,  
American Telephone and Telegraph Company,  
195 Broadway,  
New York 7, N. Y.





# Sandia's Governance Structure



**Government owned, contractor operated**



## Sandia Corporation

- AT&T: 1949–1993
- Martin Marietta: 1993–1995
- Lockheed Martin: 1995–present



**Federally funded research and development center**

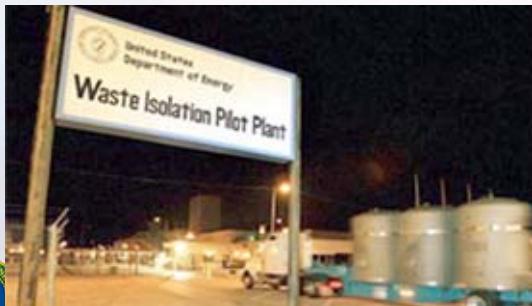


# Sandia's Sites

Albuquerque,  
New Mexico



Waste Isolation Pilot Plant,  
Carlsbad, New Mexico



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Livermore,  
California



Tonopah, Nevada



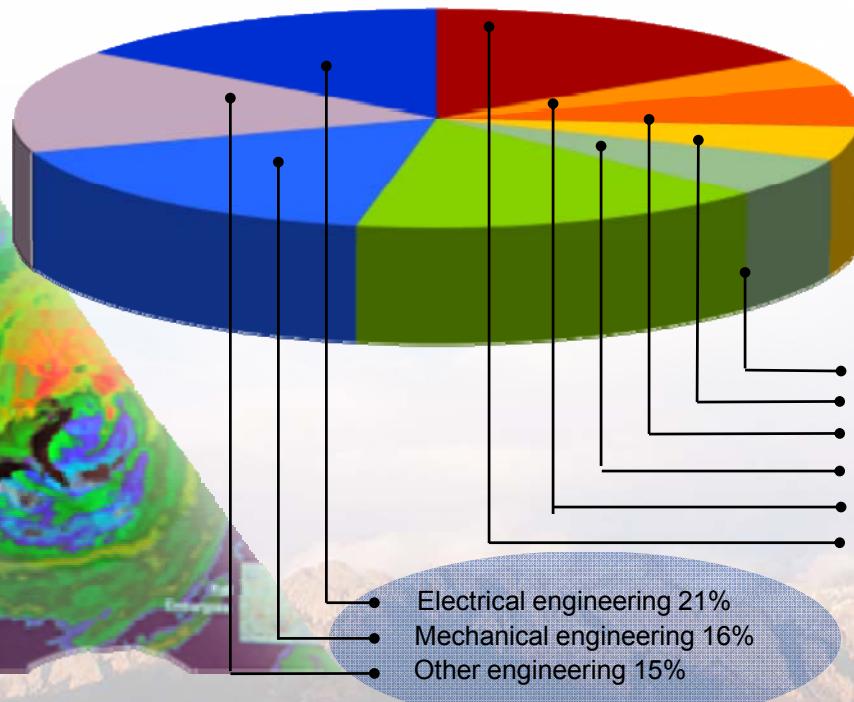
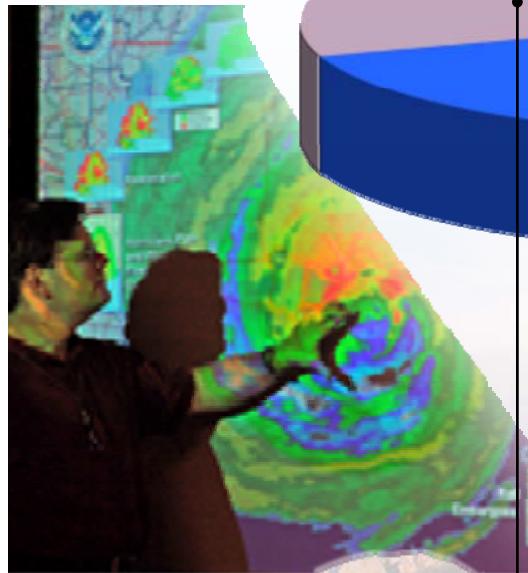
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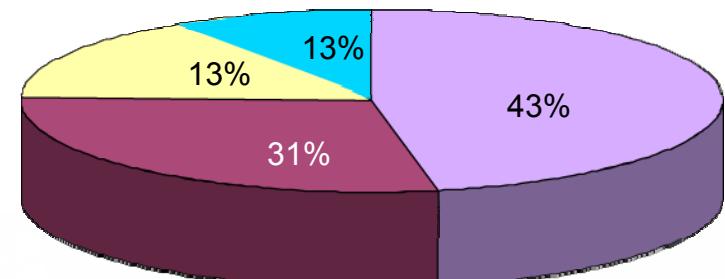
# People and Budget (As of October 15, 2010)

- On-site workforce: 11,677
- Regular employees: 8,607
- Gross payroll: ~\$898.7 million

Technical staff (4,277) by discipline:



FY10 operating revenue  
\$2.3 billion



(Operating Budget)

- Nuclear Weapons
- Defense Systems & Assessments
- Energy, Climate, & Infrastructure Security
- International, Homeland, and Nuclear Security



# The Mission Has Evolved for Decades

**1950s**

Production engineering & manufacturing engineering

**1960s**

Development engineering

**1970s**

Multiprogram laboratory

**1980s**

Research, development and production

**1990s**

Post-Cold War transition

**2000s**

Broader national security challenges



# Addressing Our Evolving National Security Environment is of the Greatest Importance



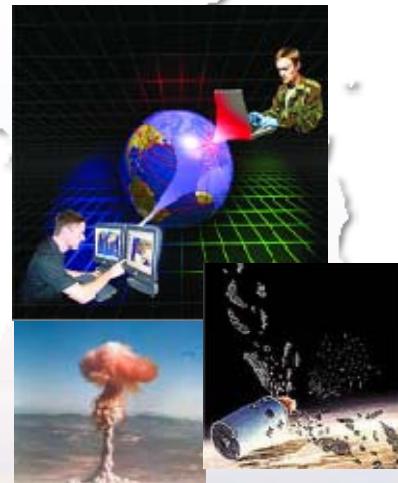
Traditional strategic nuclear threats



Threats from other nation states



Threats from non nation states



Threats of tech surprise



Other threats: natural disasters, climate change, energy supply



# Sandia Microelectronics and Microsystems R&D Facilities

The MESA (Microsystems & Engineering Sciences Applications) Complex



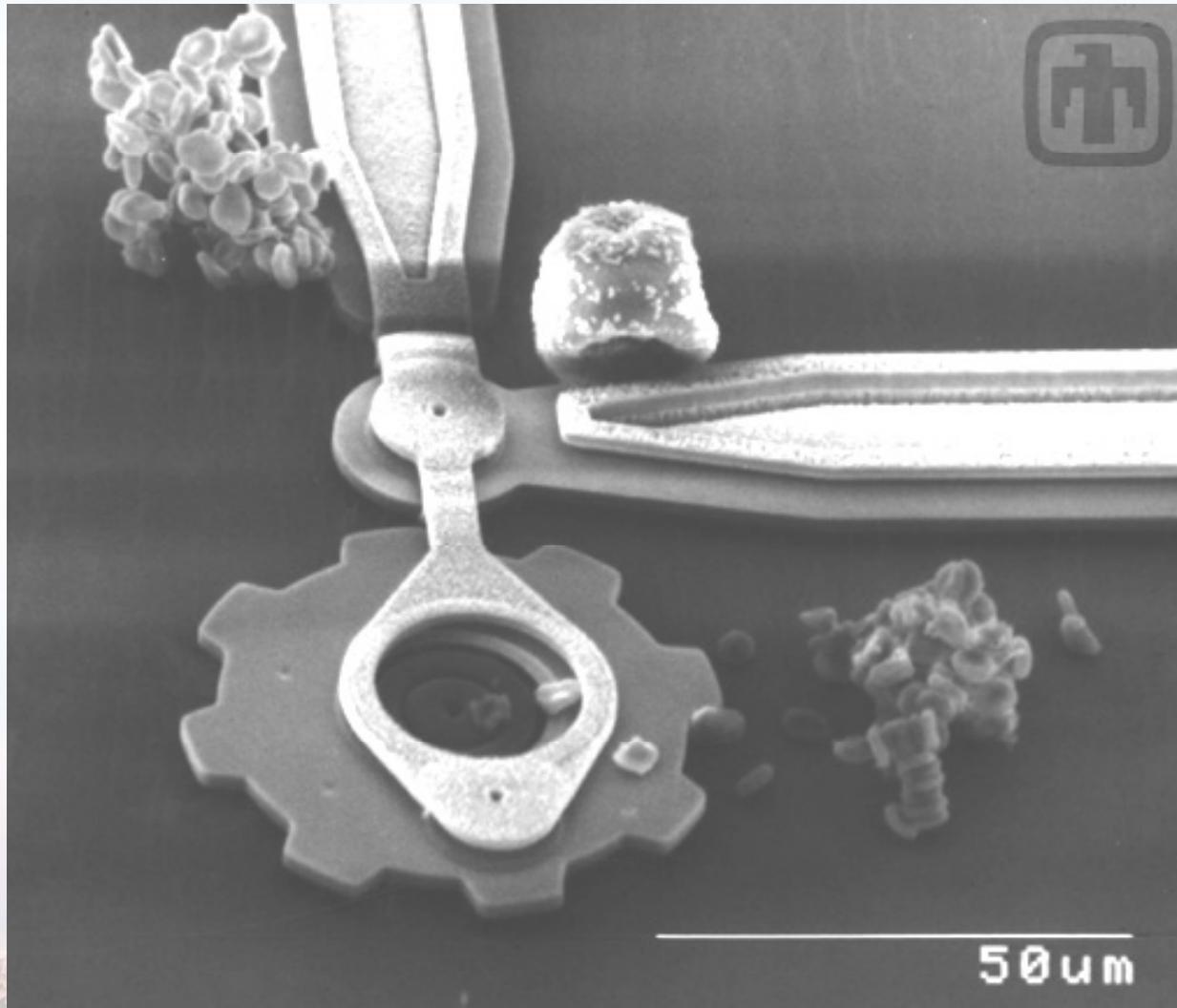
Micromachined Six-gear Chain  
(Operation up to 250,000 RPM)



Sandia has made an enormous investment (>\$500M) towards microelectronics and microsystem development (i.e., the MESA complex: [www.sandia.gov/mesa/](http://www.sandia.gov/mesa/), and MEMS fabrication: [mems.sandia.gov/](http://mems.sandia.gov/)).



# A Micro Gear, Red Blood Cells & Pollen

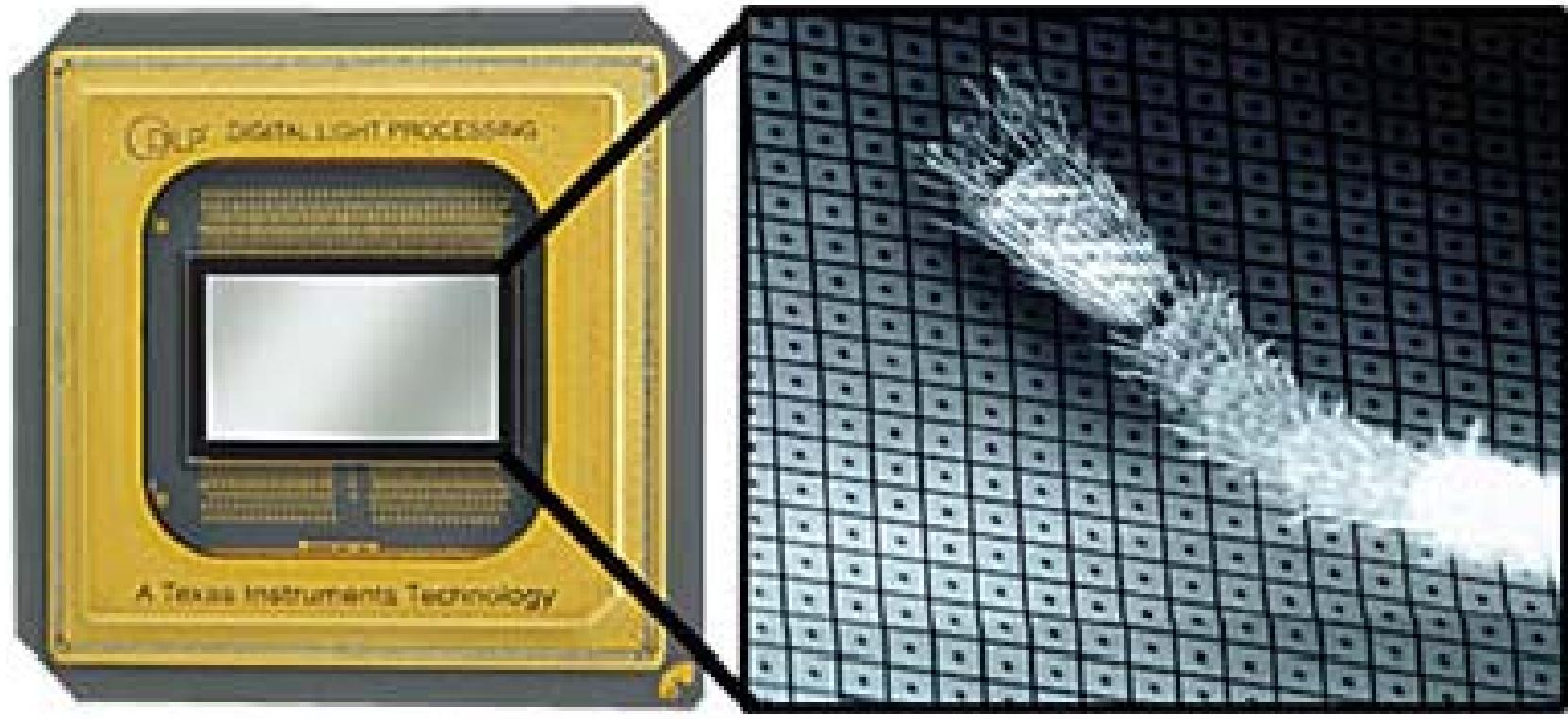


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# The TI DLP Chip is Based on MEMS Micromirrors

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This is used in some movie projectors and some HD TVs

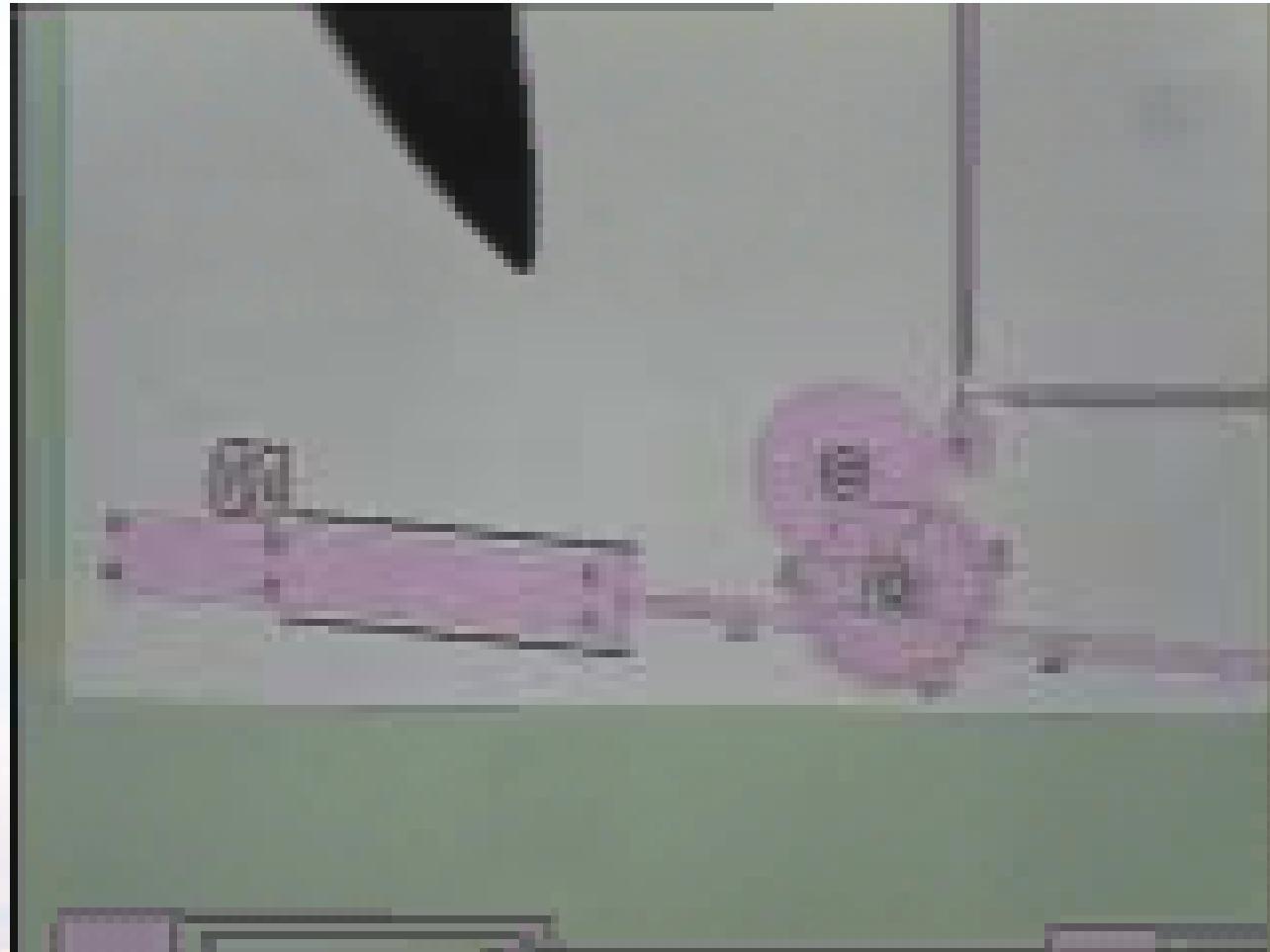


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# Microgears Drive a Micromirror

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A Micromachined Mirror in slow motion



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# Energy, Climate, and Infrastructure Security

## Program Areas

- Infrastructure Security
- Energy Security
- Climate Security
- Enabling Capabilities



## Areas of Expertise

- Modeling & Analysis, Cyber, Electricity Distribution, and Energy Assurance
- Renewables, Energy Efficiency, Energy for Transportation, and Nuclear Energy Systems
- Sensing & Monitoring, Carbon Capture, Sequestration, Modeling and Analysis, and Water
- Discovery Science & Engineering, Systems Analysis, and Regulatory & Policy





# National Solar Thermal Test Facility at Sandia National Laboratories, NM



## Specifications:

- 5 MW total thermal power
- Peak flux to 260 W/cm<sup>2</sup>

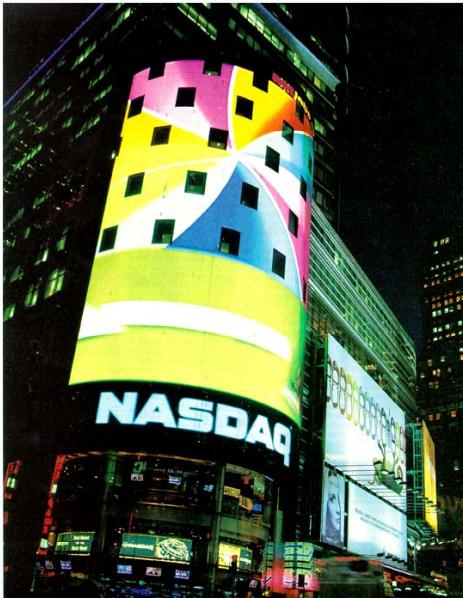
The primary goal of the NSTTF is to provide experimental engineering data for the design, construction, and operation of unique components and systems in proposed solar thermal electrical plants planned for large-scale power generation. In addition the facility can provide: high heat flux and temperatures for materials testing or aerodynamic heating simulation; large fields of optics for astronomical observations or satellite calibrations; a solar furnace; a rotating platform for parabolic trough evaluation.



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# SNL has a major compound semiconductor S&T focus on Solid State Lighting



## Advantages of LEDs:

- Compact
- Shock resistant
- Long lifetime (100,000 hours)
- Easily integrated w/ control systems for intelligent lighting

## Expected Benefits:

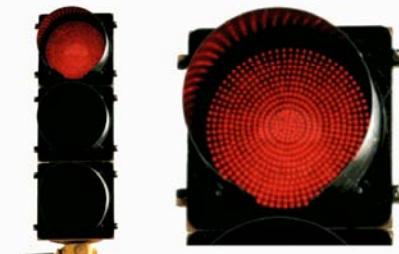
- Significant increases in energy efficiency
- Entirely new ways of integrating and controlling light



*LEDs are already superior for monochrome applications.*



- Red LEDs are now 10X more efficient than red- filtered incandescents
- Payback time for LED traffic lights is ~ 1 year
- Today, 1/3 of US traffic lights are LED-based





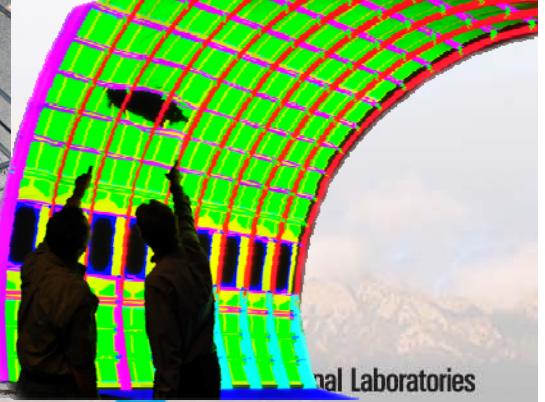
# International, Homeland, and Nuclear Security

## Program Areas

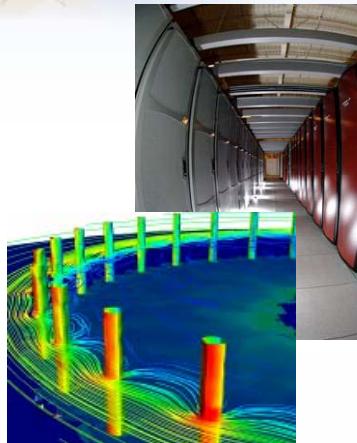
- Critical Asset Protection
- Global Security
- Homeland Defense and Force Protection
- Homeland Security

## Areas of Expertise

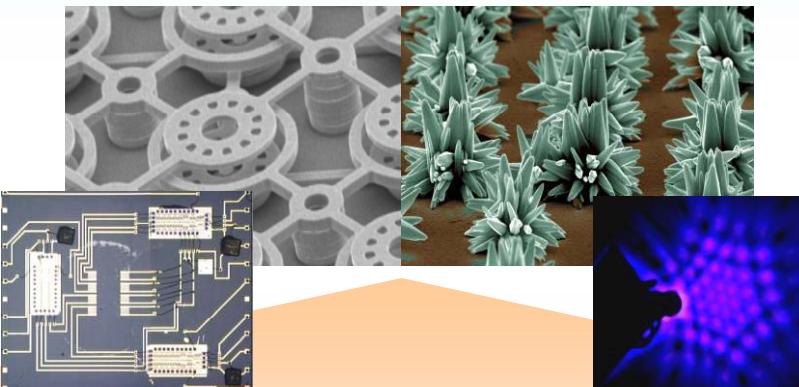
- Countering Bioterrorism
- Nuclear, Radiological, and Chemical Risk Reduction
- Nonproliferation and Arms Control
- Physical Security
- Emergency Response
- Systems Analysis and Engineering
- Border Security
- Aviation and Airworthiness Security



# Research Disciplines Drive Capabilities



High Performance Computing

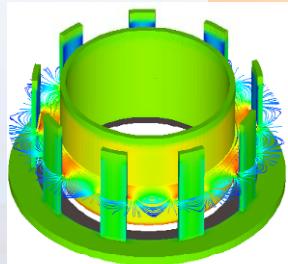


Nanotechnologies & Microsystems

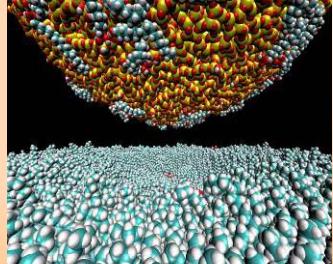


Extreme Environments

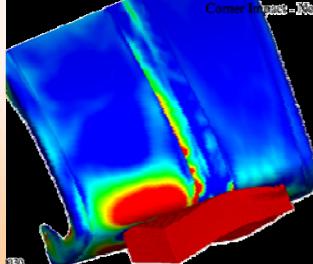
Computer Science



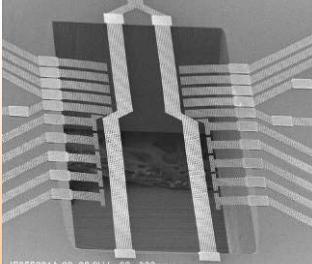
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Engineering Sciences



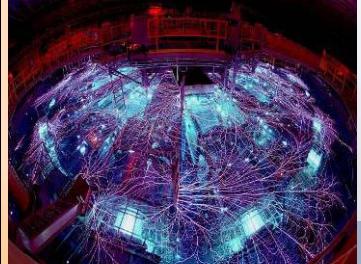
Micro Electronics



Bioscience



Pulsed Power



Research Disciplines

# Emerging National Security Thrusts



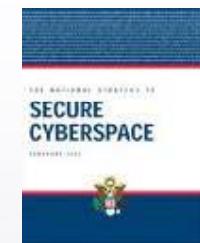
Nuclear



Energy



Cyber



Science & Technology





# Joint SNL/LANL CINT is one of five Department of Energy Nanoscience Centers.

Molecular Foundry

Center for Nanoscale Materials

Center for Functional  
Nanomaterials

Center for Integrated  
Nanotechnologies

Compound Semiconductor Research  
Laboratory

Microelectronics Development Laboratory

Combustion Research Facility

Los Alamos Neutron Science Center

National High Magnetic Field Laboratory



Center for Nanophase Materials Sciences



# CINT Core/Gateway model embodied with physical user facilities

## Core Facility in Albuquerque



CINT Gateway to Sandia  
Nanomaterials/Microfabrication



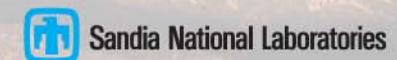
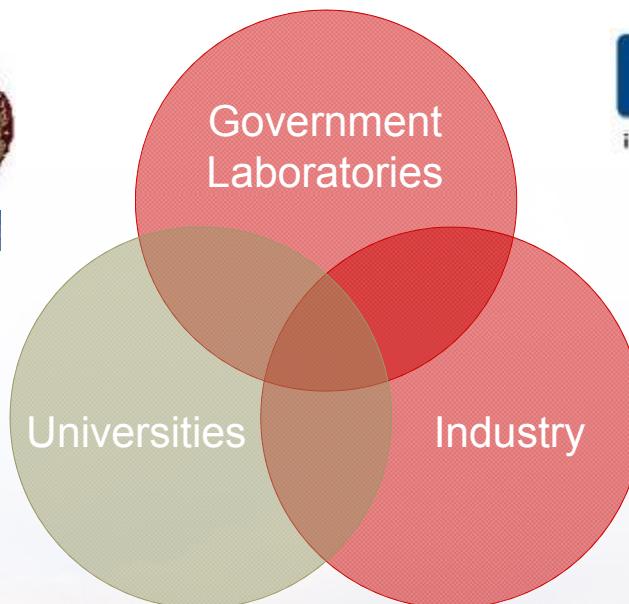
CINT Gateway to Los Alamos  
Nanomaterials/Biosciences

Buildings Complete	January 2006
Begin Operations	April 2006
Core Dedication	August 23, 2006
Construction Complete	June 2007

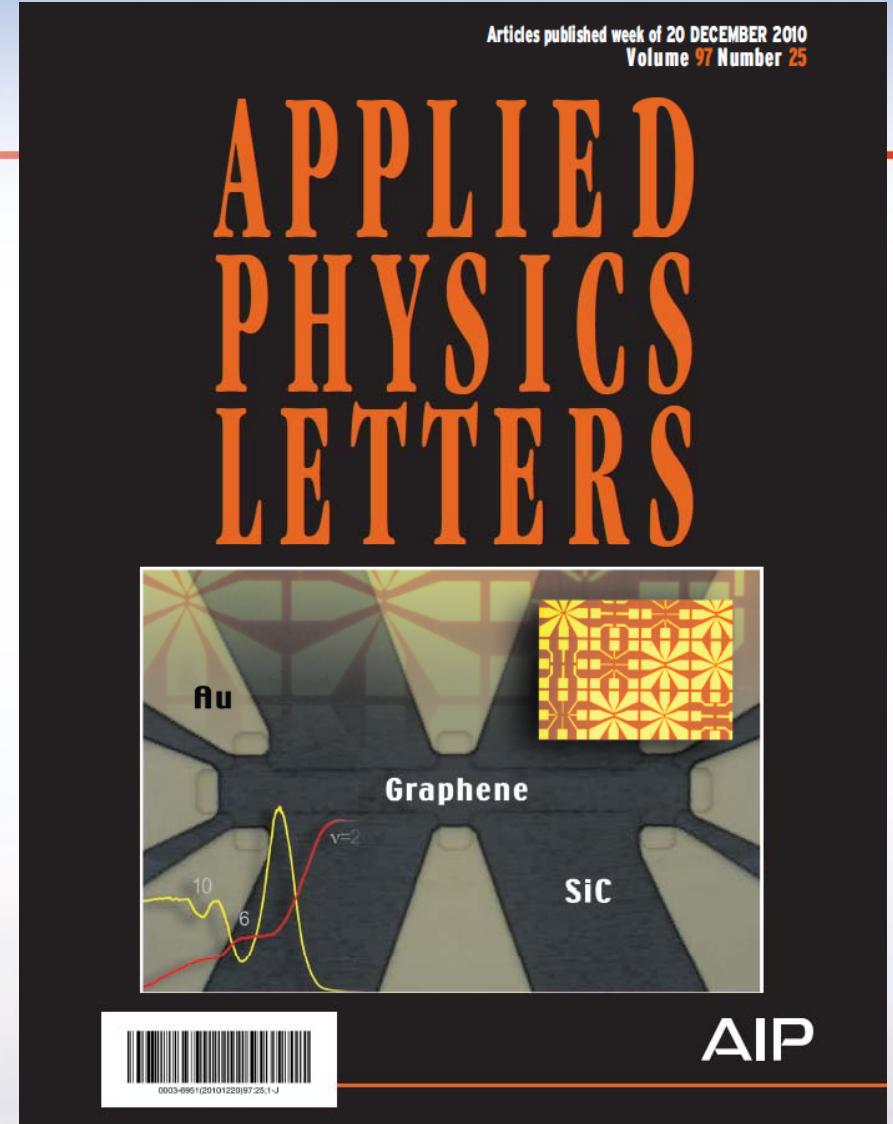


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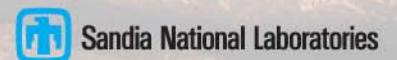
# Partnerships and Collaboration Accelerate Innovation



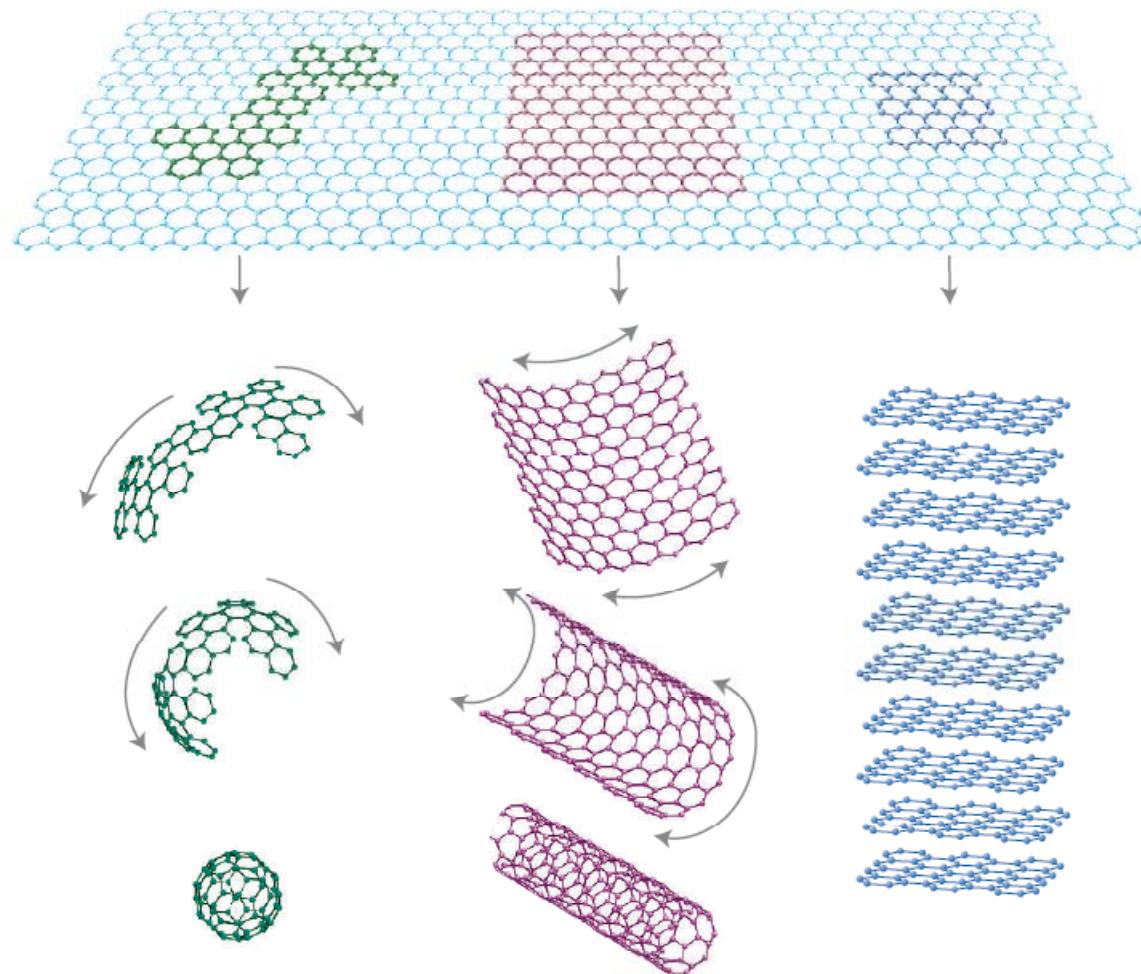
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Pan, Howell, Ross, Ohta and Friedmann  
Appl. Phys. Lett. 97, 252101 (2010)



# The 2D Graphene Sheet: The “Mother of All Graphitic Forms”



A. K. GEIM AND K. S. NOVOSELOV, Nature Materials, March 2007

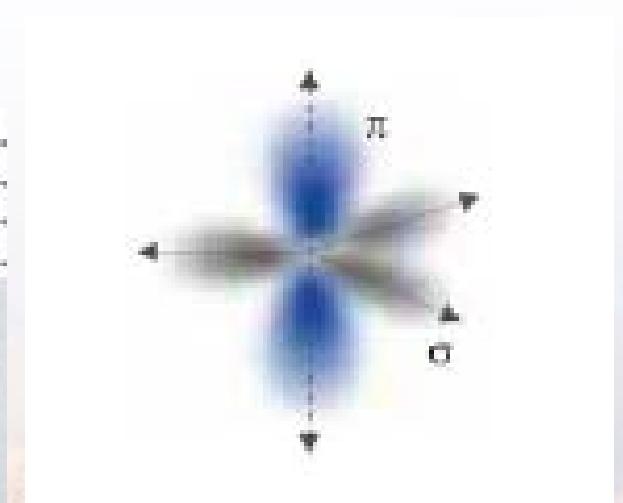
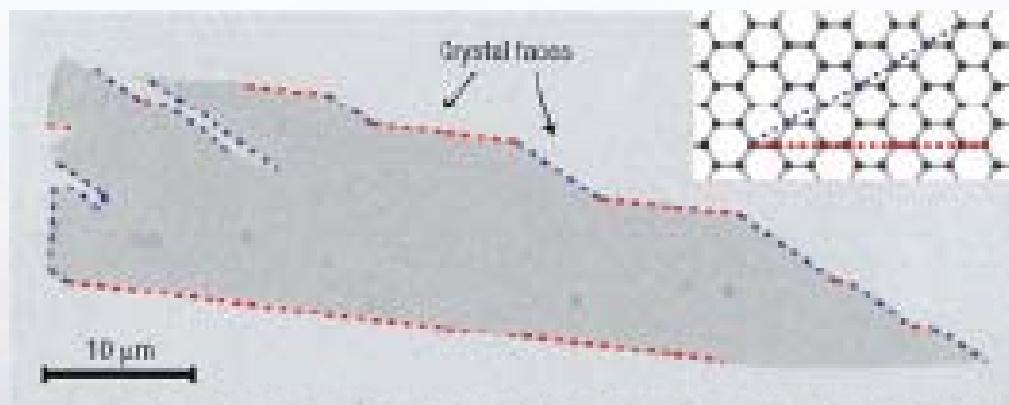


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# Graphene: Brief Facts & History

- Graphene (like CNT) is held together by strong in-plane  $sp^2$  bonding (diamond has  $sp^3$  bonding), and weak intralayer  $\pi$  bonding.
- 2D Monolayer graphene was first isolated in 2004 (Geim et al, U Manchester)
- Major fabrication approaches:
  - exfoliation of pyrolytic graphite (“scotch tape”)
  - CVD of hydrocarbons on metal substrates
  - Thermal decomposition of SiC



A.K. Geim and K.S. Novoselov,  
Nature Mat. 6, 183 (2007).

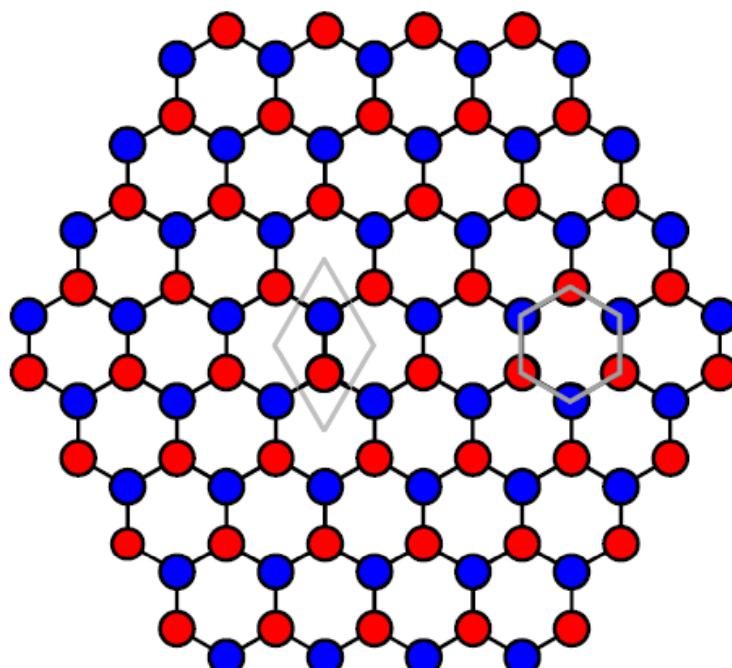


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# Graphene's Basic Structure and Electronic Description

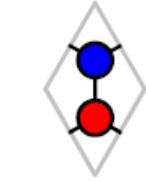
- Typical semiconductor materials electronic properties can be described by the non-relativistic Schrödinger equation, BUT graphene's honeycomb periodic potential results in charge carrier interactions that are better described by the relativistic Dirac equation with massless relativistic quasiparticles.

Two *identical* atoms in unit cell:

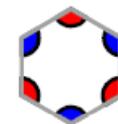


Michael S. Fuhrer

Two representations of unit cell:



Two atoms



1/3 each of 6 atoms = 2 atoms

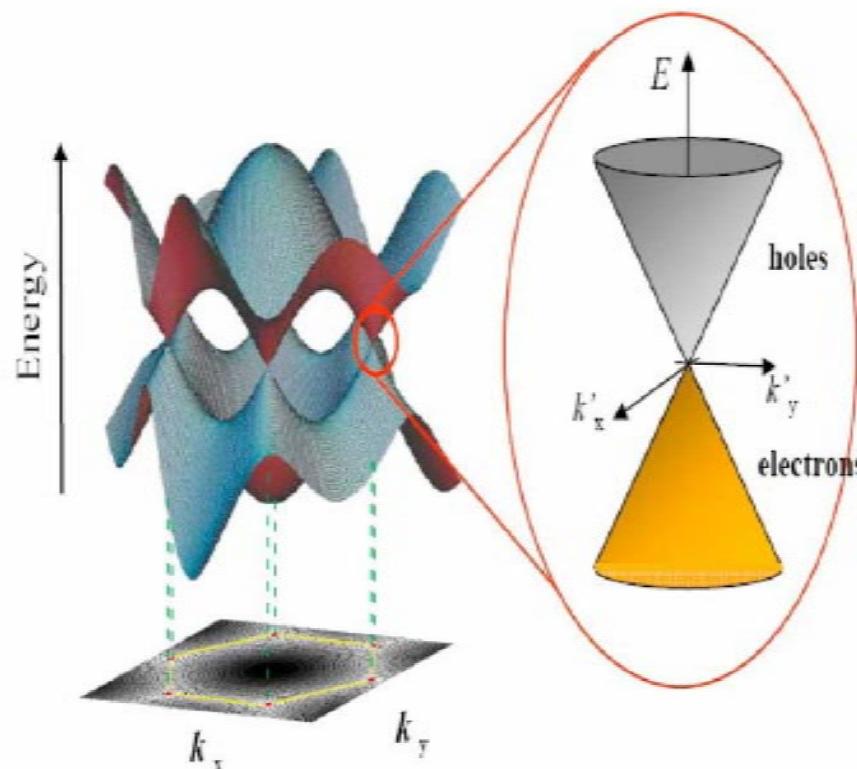
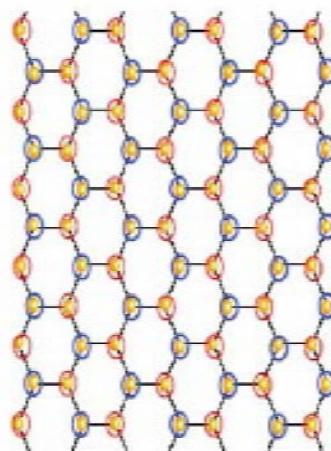
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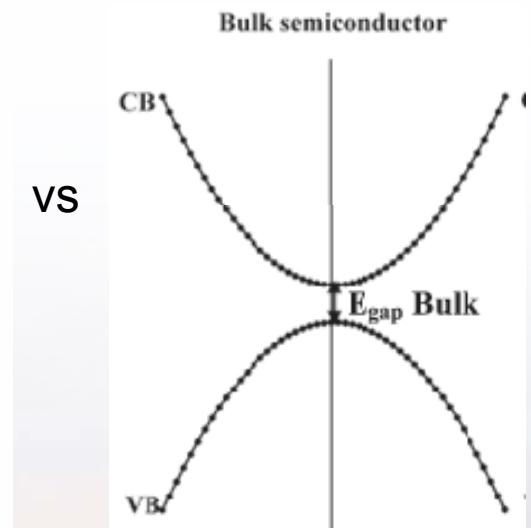
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# Graphene's Band Structure

Graphene's low-energy band structure consists of cones at the corners of the Brillouin zone, rather than paraboloids at the center. The density of states vanishes at the conduction/valence band cone "Dirac points".



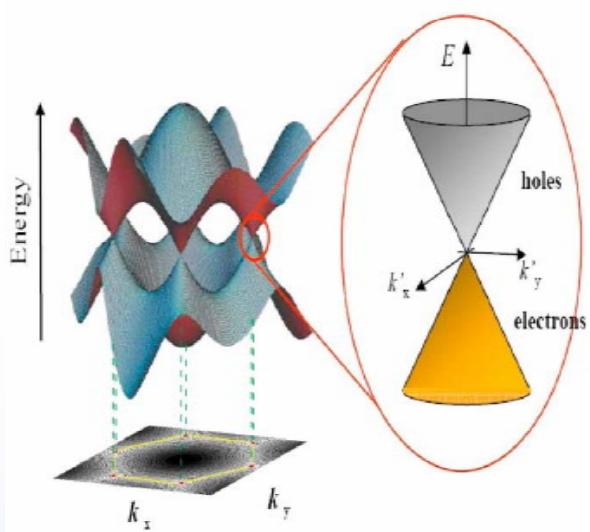
○ A-sublattice  
○ B-sublattice



Simple Parabolic  
Semiconductor Model



# Graphene's Interesting Properties



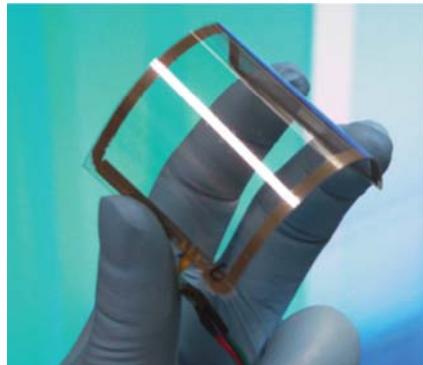
- Semi-Metal Band Structure (zero-bandgap)

Properties	Applications
<b>High Mobility</b> ( $250,000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ )	RF and other high speed electronics (up to 300 GHz Demonstrated)
<b>Ambipolar</b>	Low Noise Freq Mixing
<b>Spin Coherence Length</b> ( $> 1 \mu\text{m}$ )	Quantum Information/ Spintronics
<b>Voltage control of carriers</b>	FETs and Metamaterials
<b>High Mechanical Strength</b> (Elastic modulus $\sim 1 \text{ TPa}$ )	MEMS and NEMS
<b>Relaxation of cryogenic temperature dependence due resulting from Dirac Quantum Mechanics.</b>	Potential for 2D quantum-dependent non-cryo temperature performance not seen in standard semiconductors (i.e., RT quantum interference effects, FET-based IR detection)



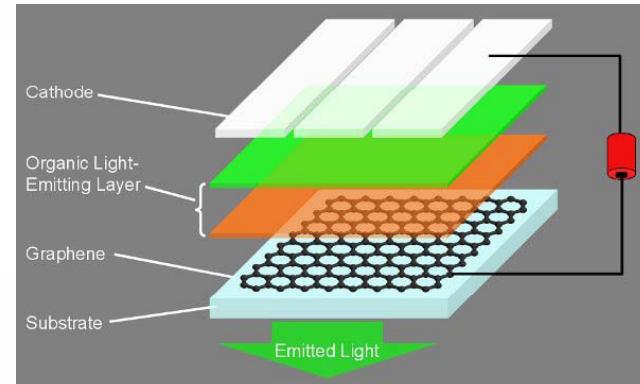
# Some Proposed Graphene Device Ideas

## Transparent electrodes

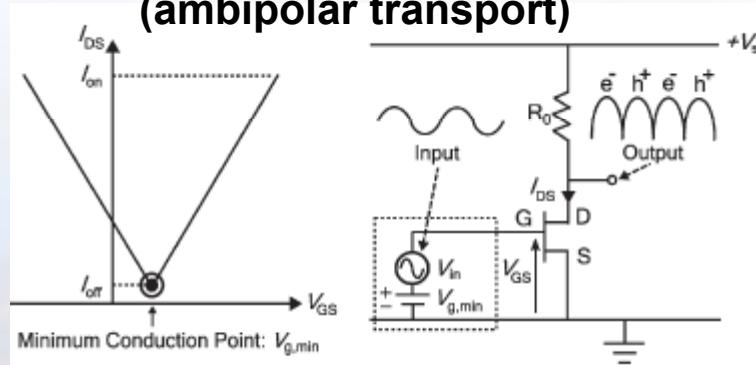


S. Bae *et al*, *Nature Nano.*, **5**, 574-578 (2010)

## Graphene OLED - Junbo Wu/Stanford U

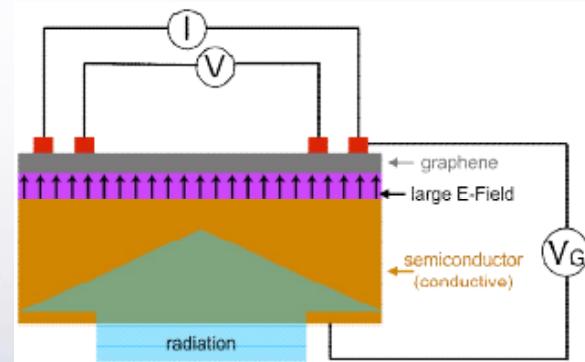


## RF Frequency multiplier (ambipolar transport)



H. Wang *et al.*, *IEEE Elec. Dev. Lett.*, **30**, 547-549 (2009).

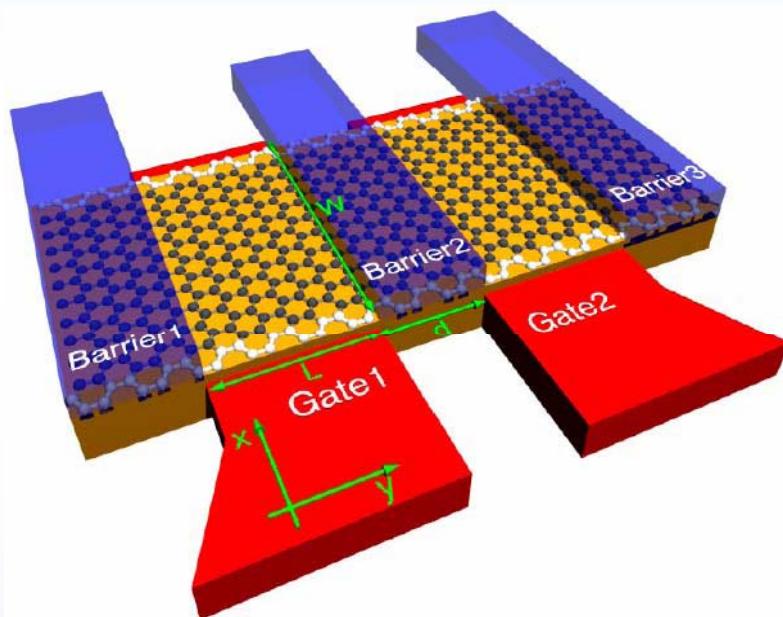
## Read-out for radiation detection



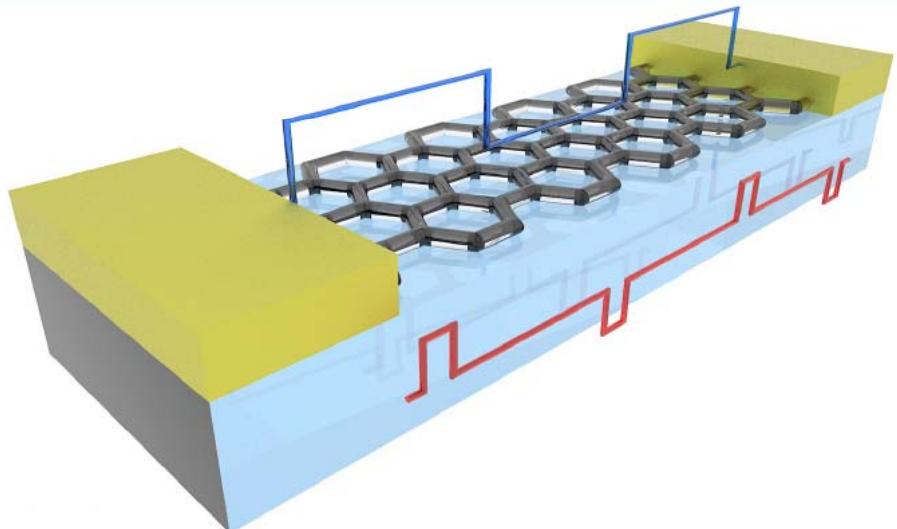
M. Foxe *et al.*, *IEEE Trans. Nuclear Sci.*, submitted (2010).



# Additional Graphene Device Ideas



**Graphene double quantum dot structure proposed by the Trautzel Group (Nature Physics 2007)**

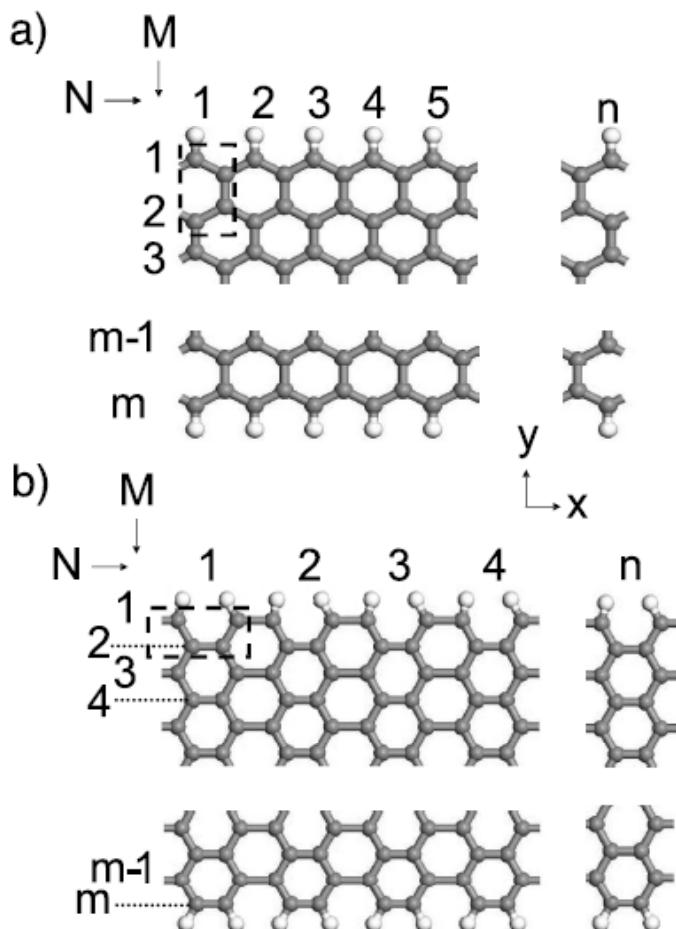


**Graphene NR-based memory, Sordan group, SMALL 2010, 6, No. 24, pp 2822–2825**



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# Graphene Nanoribbons (GNR): A Way to Introduce a Band Gap



GNR electronic states largely depend on the edge structures (armchair or zigzag). Zigzag edges provide the edge localized state with non-bonding molecular orbitals near the Fermi energy causing large changes in optical and electronic properties. To first order, their bandgap should scale inversely with the width of the ribbon and also depend on the rotation of the hexagonal lattice with respect to the long edge of the ribbon.

Scheme of H-terminated (a) zigzag and (b) armchair nanoribbons. Periodic boundary conditions are assumed in the  $x$  direction.  $N$  and  $M$  are the numbers of columns and rows of atoms used to label the  $MN$  ribbon.



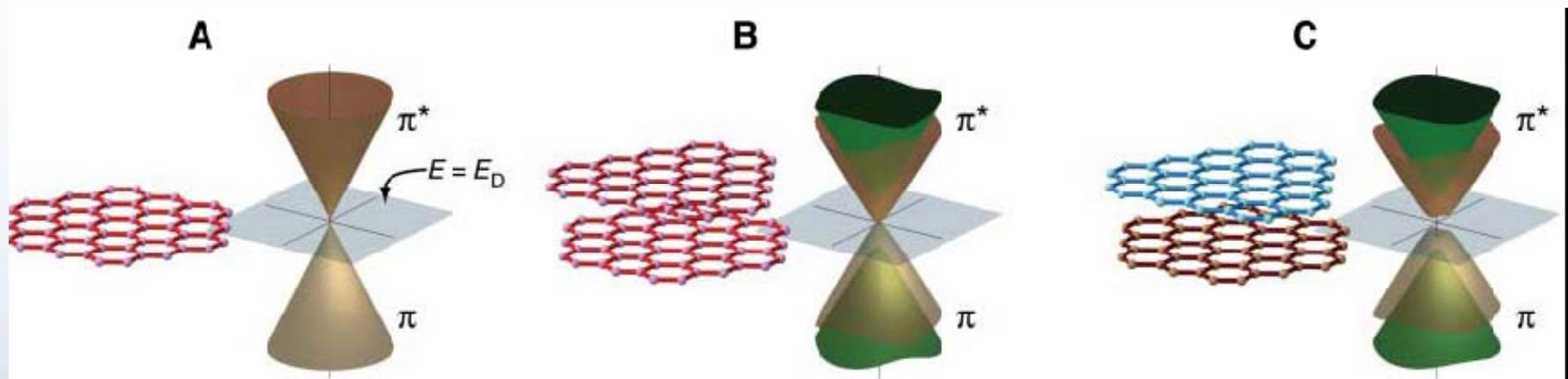
PRB77, 165427 (2008)



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# Graphene Band Gap via Layer Asymmetry or Applied Electric Fields

- Undoped graphene is a semimetal because at  $ED = EF$ , the density of states is zero and conduction is possible only with thermally excited electrons at finite temperature. However, a gap can be formed via layer asymmetries formed by SiC substrate depletion layers, dipole effects caused by doping (i.e., K), and internal/external electric fields.



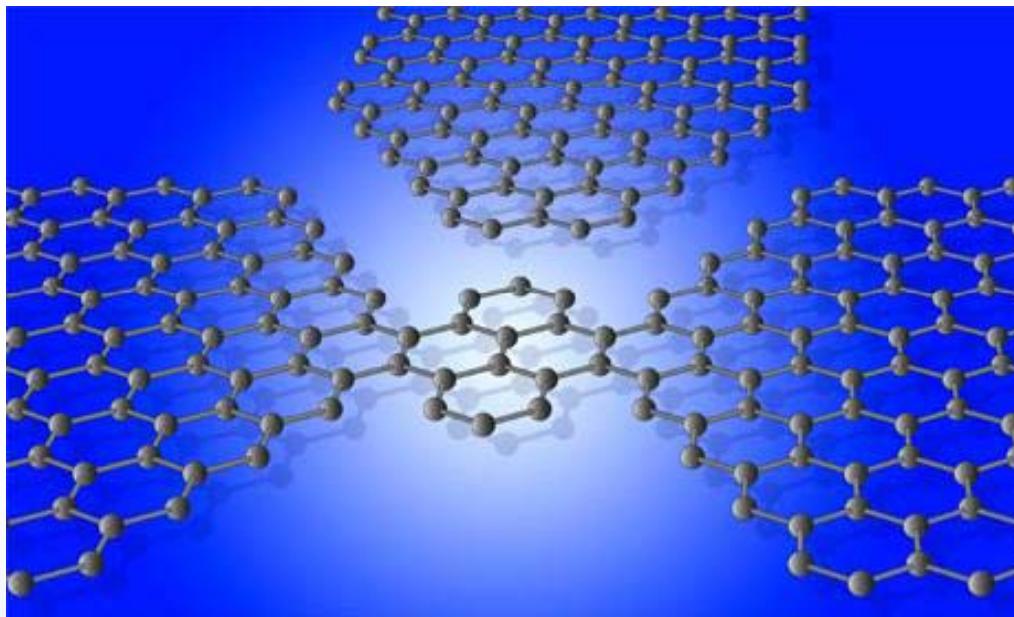
T. Ohta, et al, *Science* 313, 951-954 (2006)



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# A Proposed Quantum Dot Single Electron Graphene Transistor Switch

Geim et al, Manchester University Mesoscopic Physics Group



Science 320 (2008)

- Transistor devices have been made one atom thick & ten atoms wide
- Novoselov and colleagues found that cutting small "quantum dots" of graphene can give it needed switching properties unavailable in semi-metal graphene.

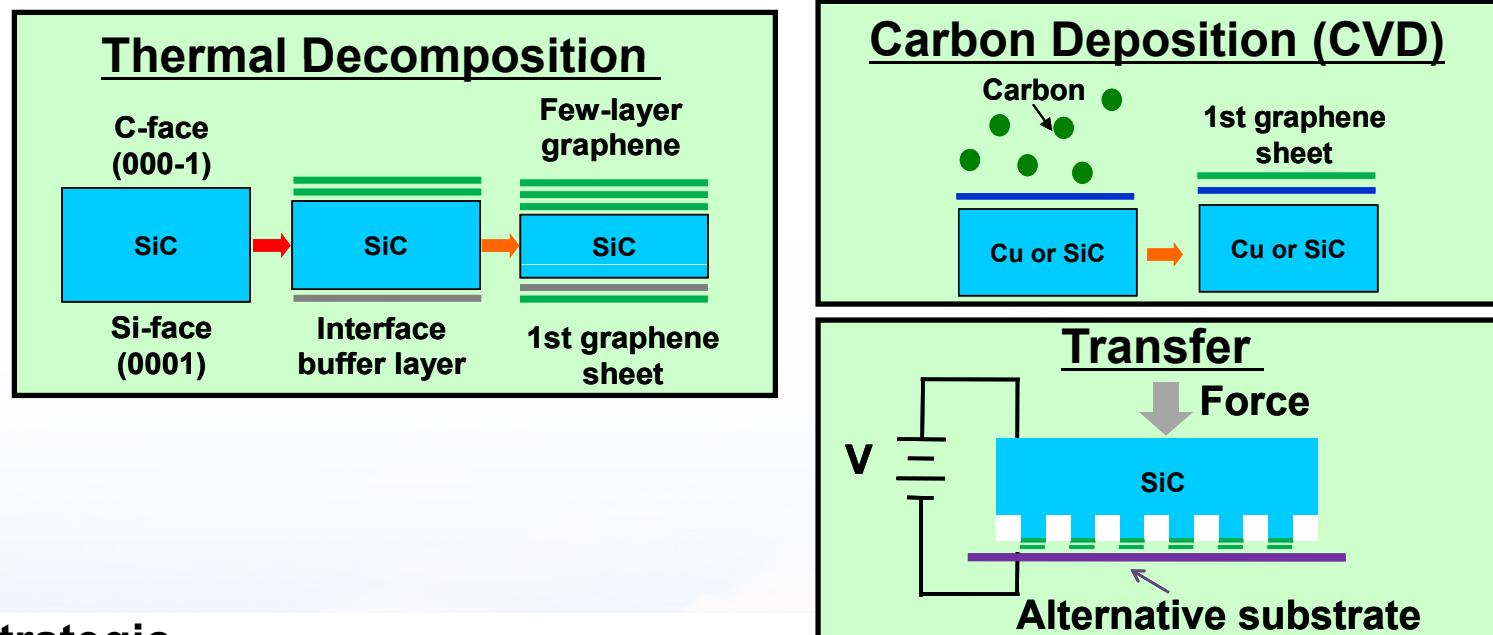


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# Sandia Graphene Project Goals

## ■ Technical

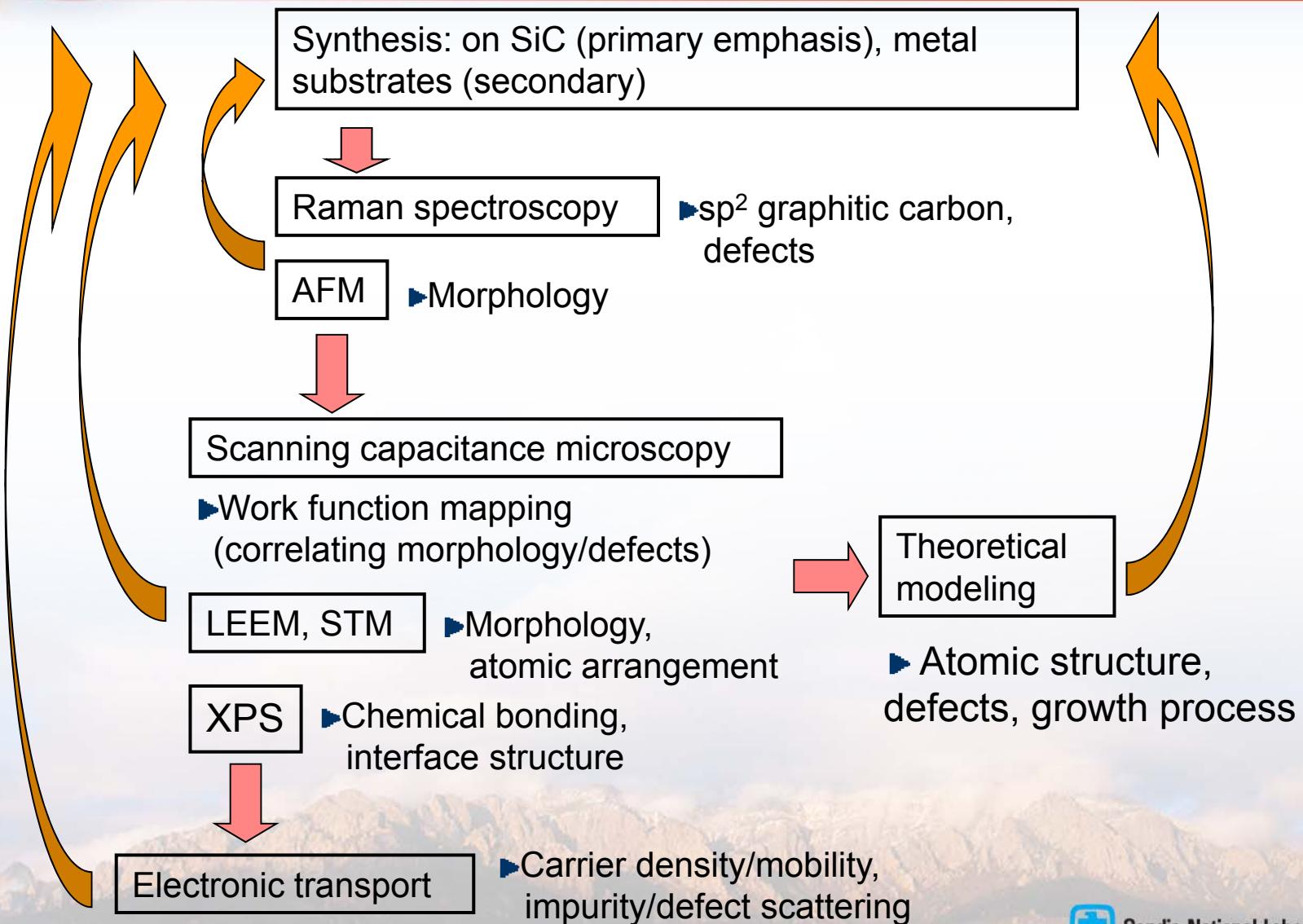
- Develop several graphene synthesis/transfer approaches, developing the science-based understanding necessary for large area synthesis on substrates



## ■ Strategic

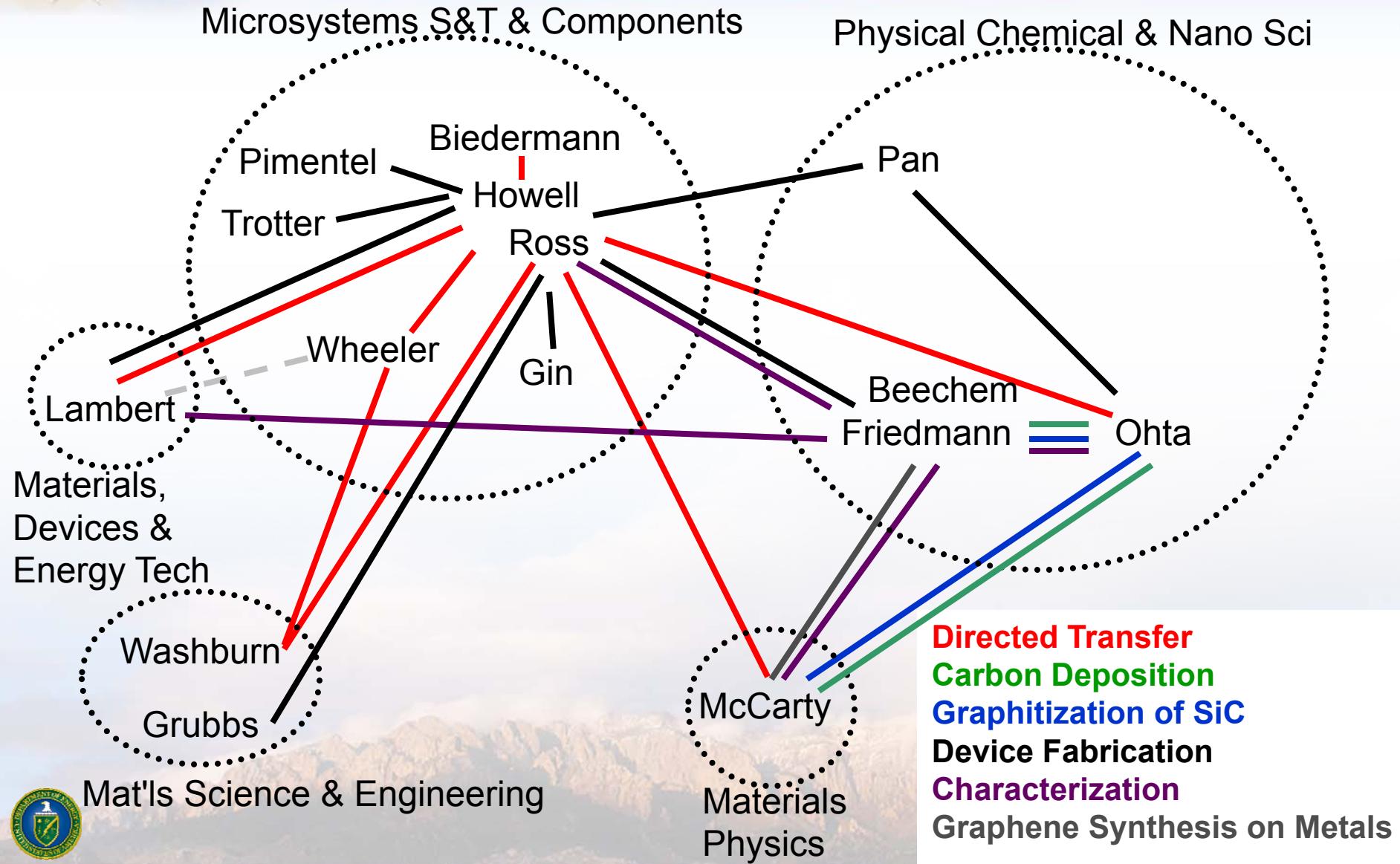
- To build a strong collaborative relationship between Sandia Scientists focused towards Graphene Materials and Devices
- To position MESA as a leader in this VERY competitive R&D field
- To initiate the first steps towards a larger nanoelectronics program within MESA (going beyond Moore's Law)

# Activity Coordination Flowchart



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# Internal Team Networking/Acknowledgement



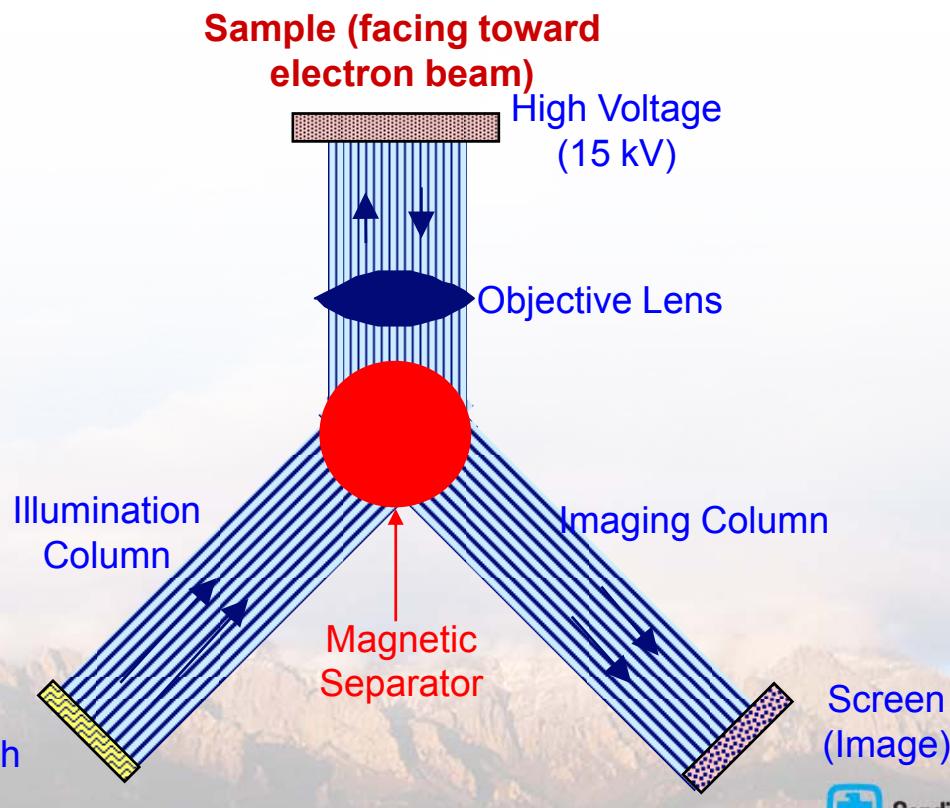
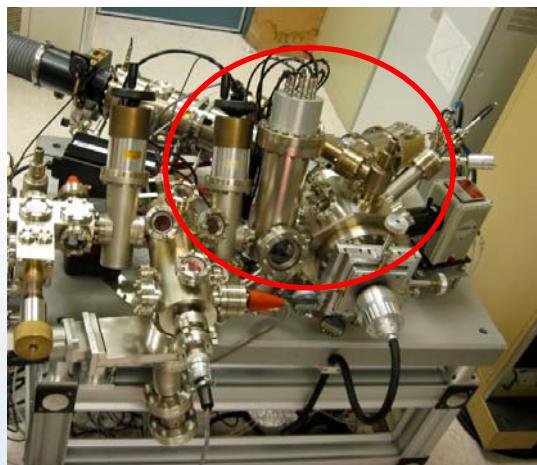


# Sandia has Unique LEEM Resources, but... What is LEEM (and PEEM)?

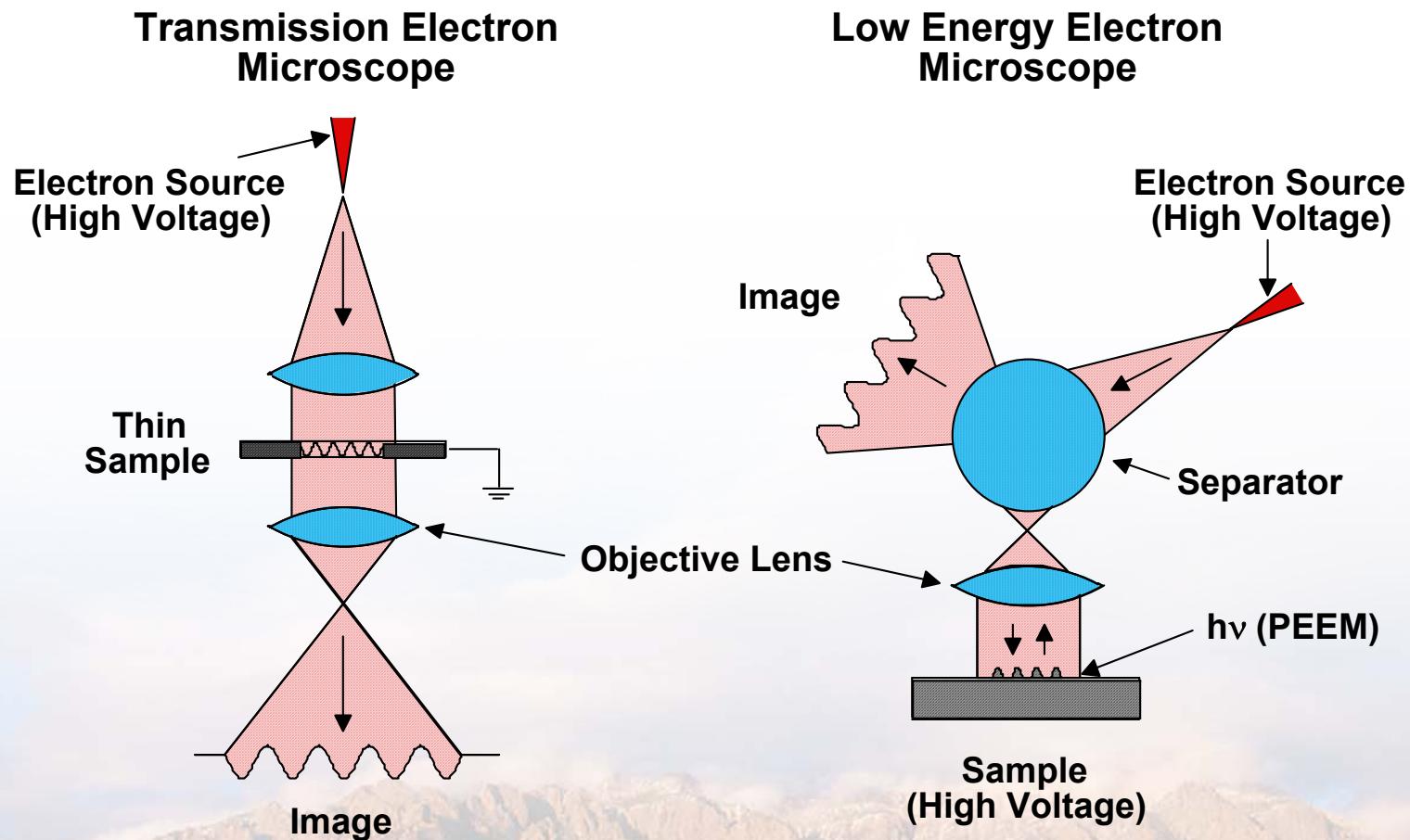
- LEEM: Low Energy Electron Microscopy
- PEEM: Photo-Emission Electron Microscopy

*Reflection electron microscopy*

*Information of surfaces (low energy electrons)*



# Schematic of TEM versus LEEM





# What can we learn?

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## ■ Electronic structure

- Work function (i.e. surface potential)
- Valence band and its density-of-states (DOS)
- Fermi-surface, i.e., carrier concentration

*Band alignment*

## ■ Chemical compositions

- Alloys
- Structured surface, i.e., devices
- Nano-materials

## ■ Resolution

- 7-10 nm lateral resolution
- 100-200 meV energy resolution (PEEM), 0.8eV (LEEM)
- 0.5-5nm depth sensitivity (electron escape depth)

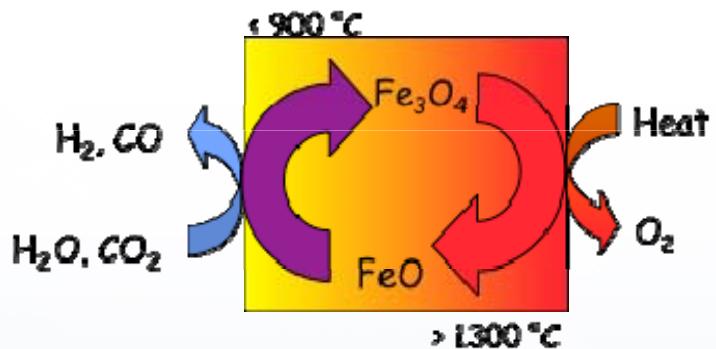
***Probing properties (electric, chemical, structural, etc.) at nano-scale, and of single nano-material***



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# Example: Structure identification

- Polymorphs of iron-oxide films on YSZ(001)
  - Diffraction pattern from a  $\sim 0.5\mu\text{m}$  region

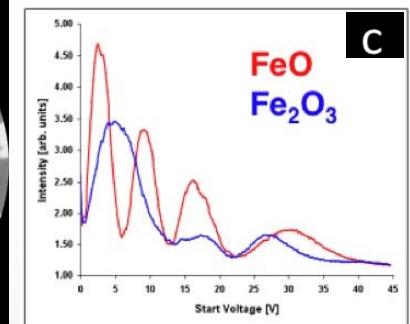
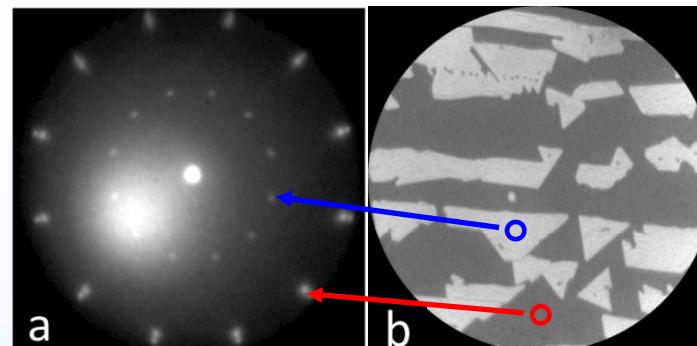


Thermochemical reaction of Iron-oxide

Note: Yttria-stabilized zirconia (YSZ) is a zirconium-oxide ( $\text{ZrO}_2$ ) based ceramic, in which the particular crystal structure of zirconium oxide is made stable at room temperature by an addition of yttrium oxide ( $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$ ).



Second-layer growth on YSZ(001) is  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$

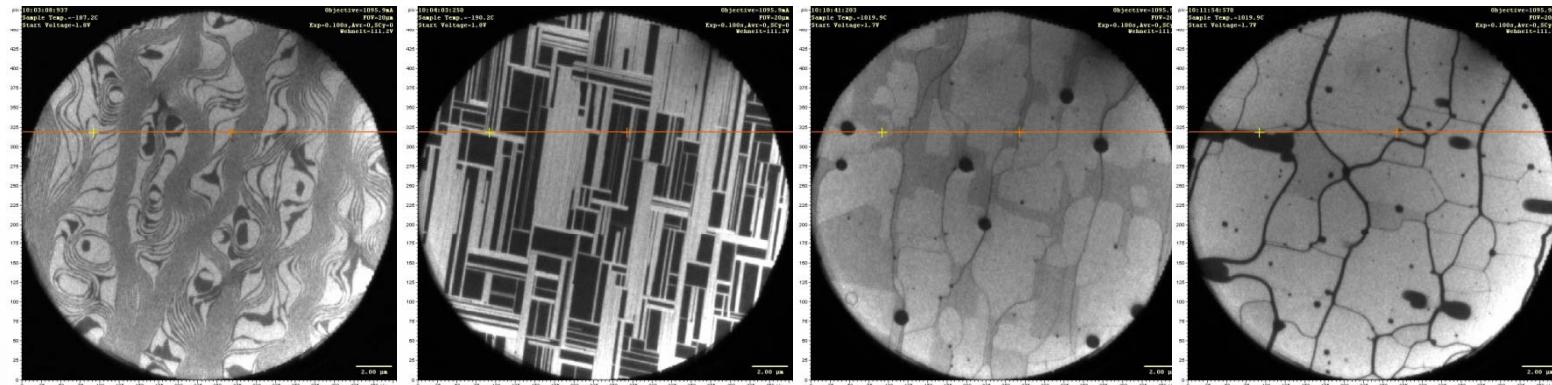


(a) LEED pattern showing new 12-fold pattern with a lattice constant corresponding to  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3(0001)$   
(b) LEEM image (6.0 eV) showing regions of first- (red) and second-layer (blue) growth. (FOV=20  $\mu\text{m}$ )  
(c) LEEM-IV spectra from first- and second-layer regions are markedly different and can be used as fingerprints of the oxide phase.

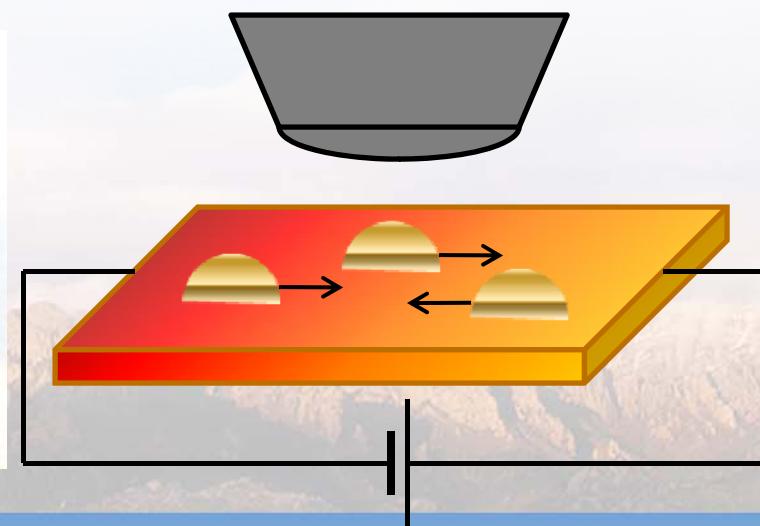


# Example: Biased structure

- Electro-migration of Au droplet on Si(001)



(a) Clean Si(001) surface (20  $\mu$ m fov). (b) Deposition at 900° C produces highly anisotropic growth of the Au wetting layer. (c) Three-dimensional droplets appear and (d) move across the surface parallel to the dc current.

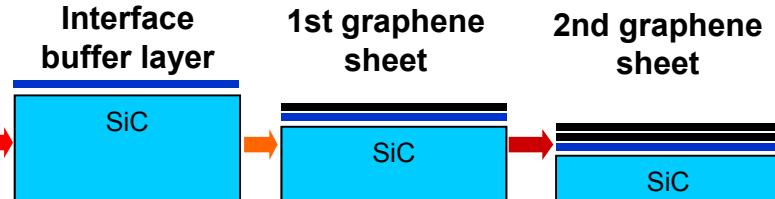
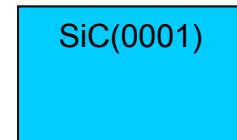


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# Understanding Graphene Growth on SiC(0001)

## ■ Graphitization of SiC:

- Sublimation of Si at high temperature ( $>1200$  °C) leaves graphene layer at SiC surface



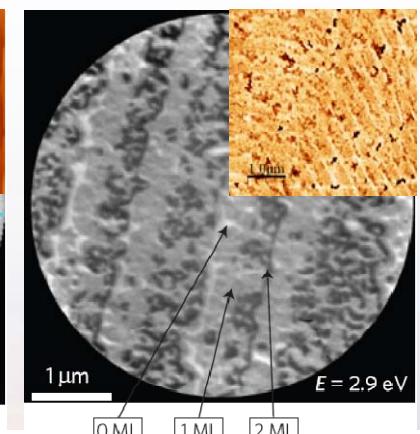
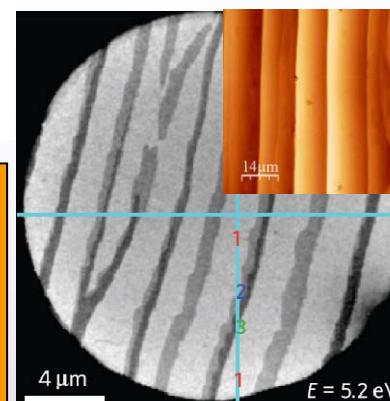
## ■ Argon-assisted graphene synthesis

- Samples prepared using Ar at atmospheric pressure and high temp
- This method yields:
  - Domain sizes  $> 100 \mu\text{m}^2$  and high uniformity
  - Exquisite control of mono/bilayers coverage

Atmospheric pressure Ar  
high temp. processing



Ultrahigh vacuum mid  
temp. processing

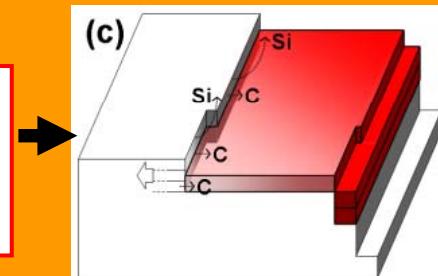


## ■ Understanding the growth mechanism of graphene on SiC

- Growth morphology strongly depends on the step structure

### Step-flow growth

- Key for high large-area growth
- Real-time growth observations using LEEM

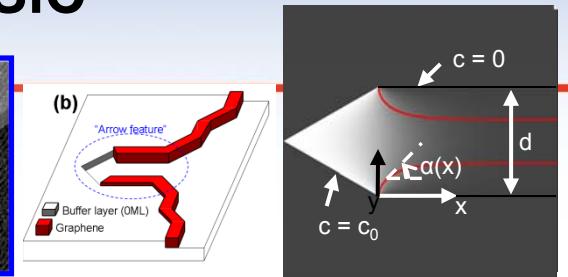
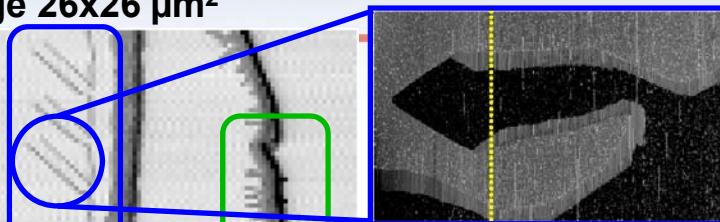
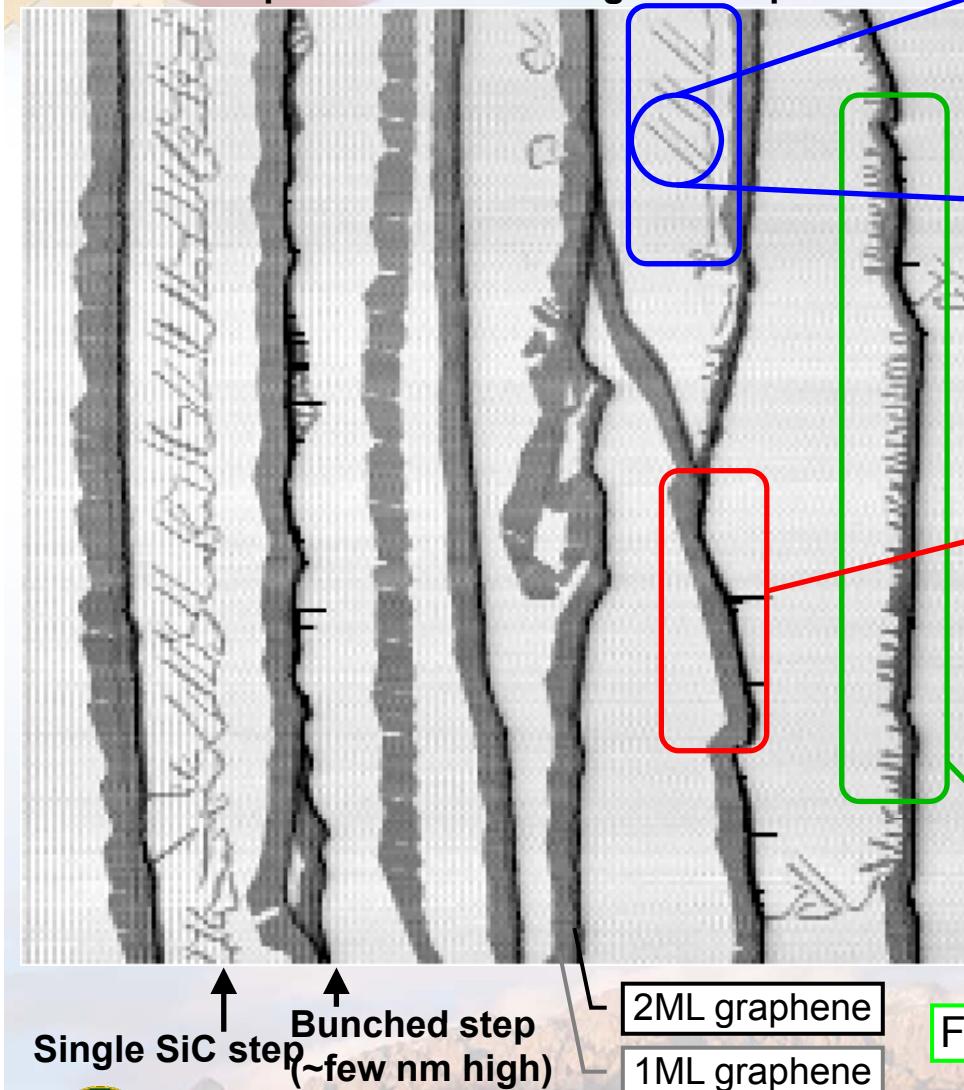


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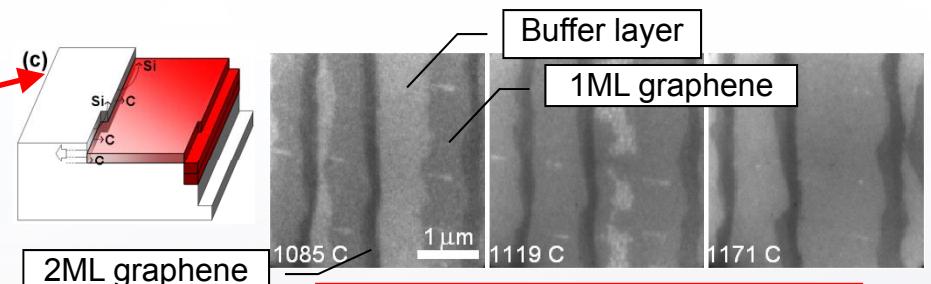
# Understanding the Growth Mechanism of Graphene on SiC

AFM phase contrast image  $26 \times 26 \mu\text{m}^2$



## Arrow-shape feature

- Grown via cooperative processes of Si sublimation and carbon diffusion
- Shape predicted by simple diffusion model



## Step-flow growth

- Key for high large-area growth
- Real-time growth observations using LEEM

## Finger-shape growth

- Growth morphology strongly depends on the step structure

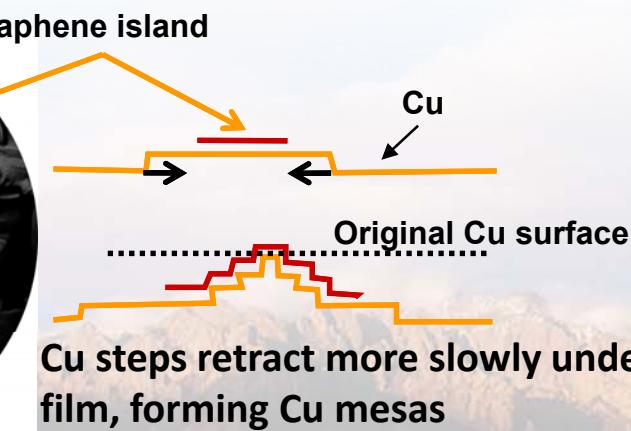
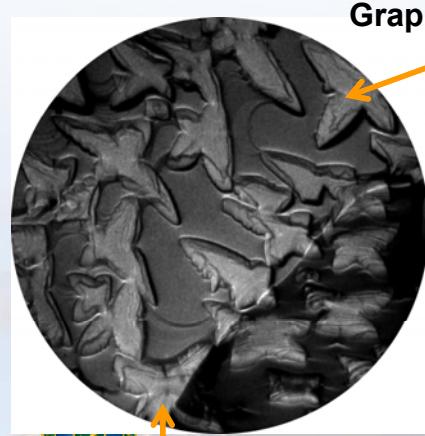


# Understanding and Improving Graphene Growth on Copper Foils

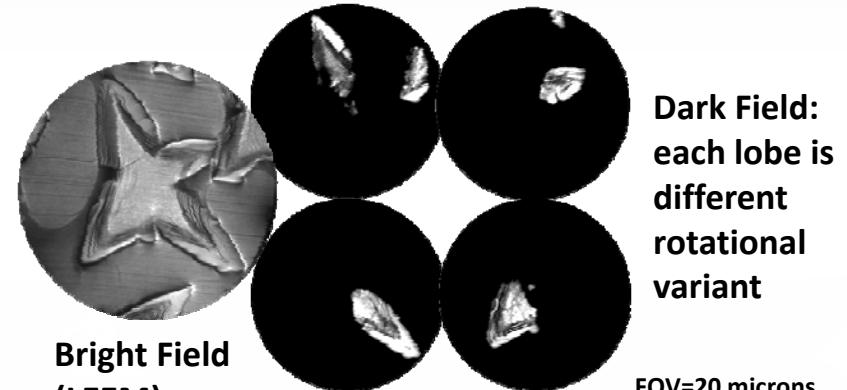
- CVD on Cu foil offers another scalable approach to large-area films
  - Chemically dissolve the cheap foil
  - Ruoff and coworkers, Science 2009
- What are the film defects and how can they be minimized?
- Answer by watching growth and in-situ characterization

## Findings

- Cu foils have (100) texture
- Slower Cu evaporation under growing graphene islands greatly roughens surface



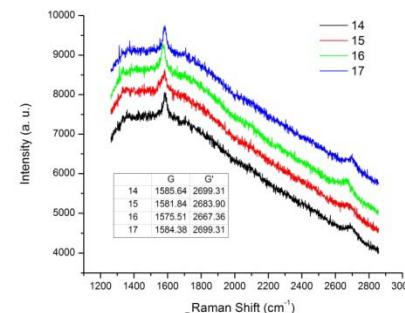
- Each island has 4 rotational domains



- Raman spectroscopy shows extremely weak film/substrate coupling



Optical image of one 4-lobed island

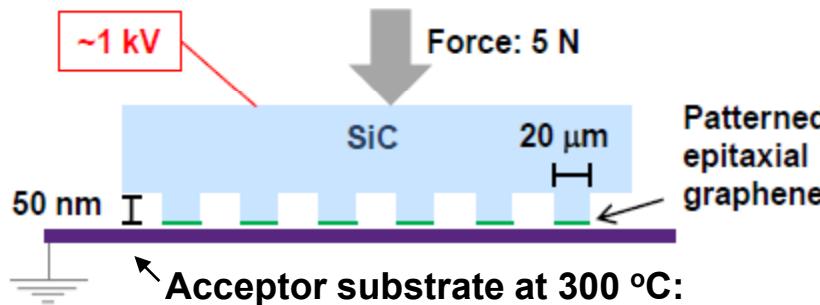


Raman features are identical to uncoupled graphene

With Shu Nie, Joe Wofford (UC Berkeley) & Oscar Dubon (UC Berkeley)

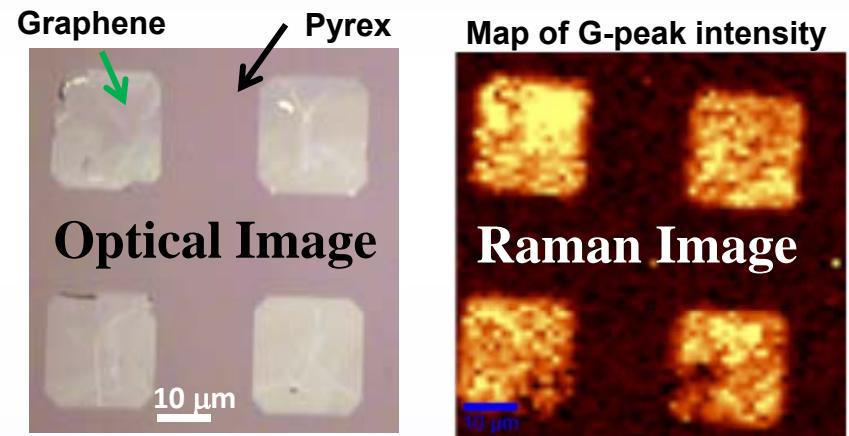
# First demonstration of epitaxial graphene transfer to arbitrary substrates using electrostatics method

## Electrostatic transfer method:

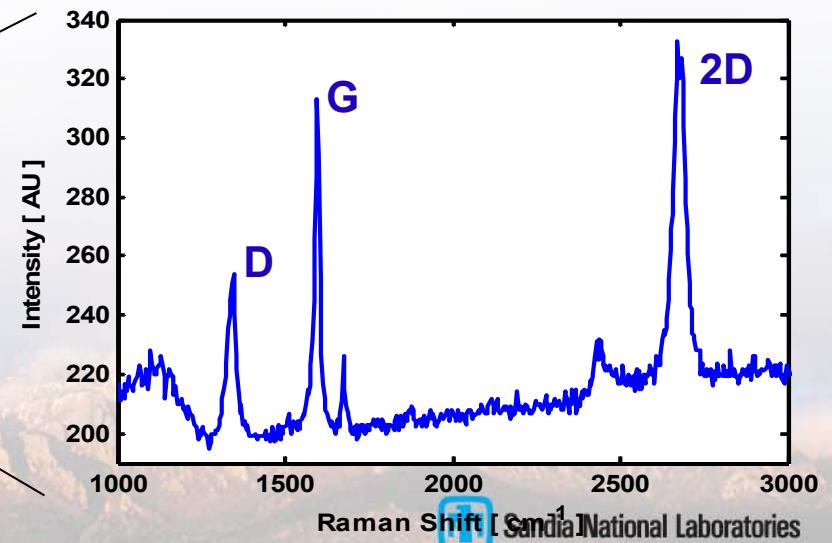
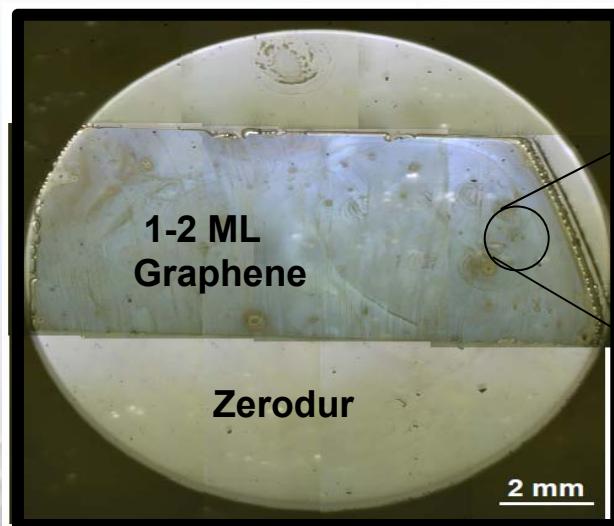


- Graphene transfer to Pyrex and Zerodur (a glass ceramic) has been demonstrated

## Graphene transferred from SiC (000-1)

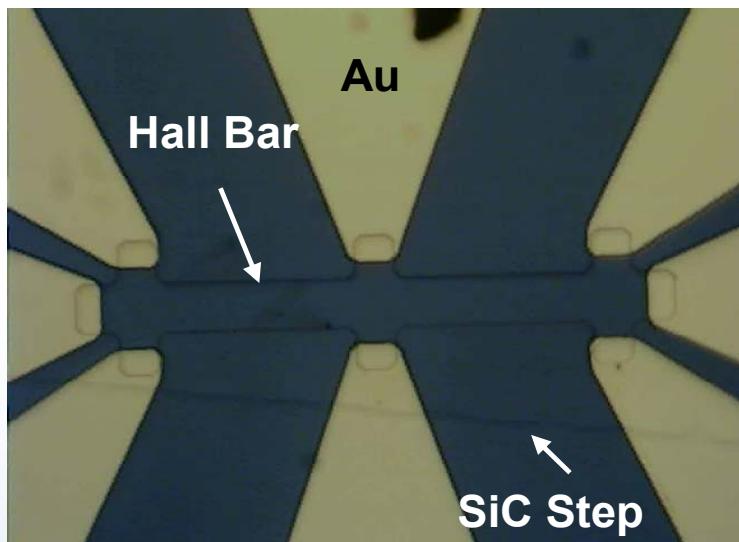


## Large-area transfer graphene from SiC (0001) (Si-face) to Zerodur:

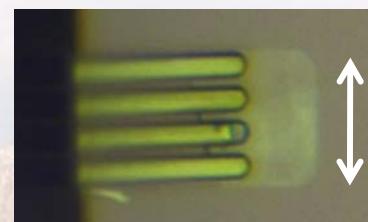
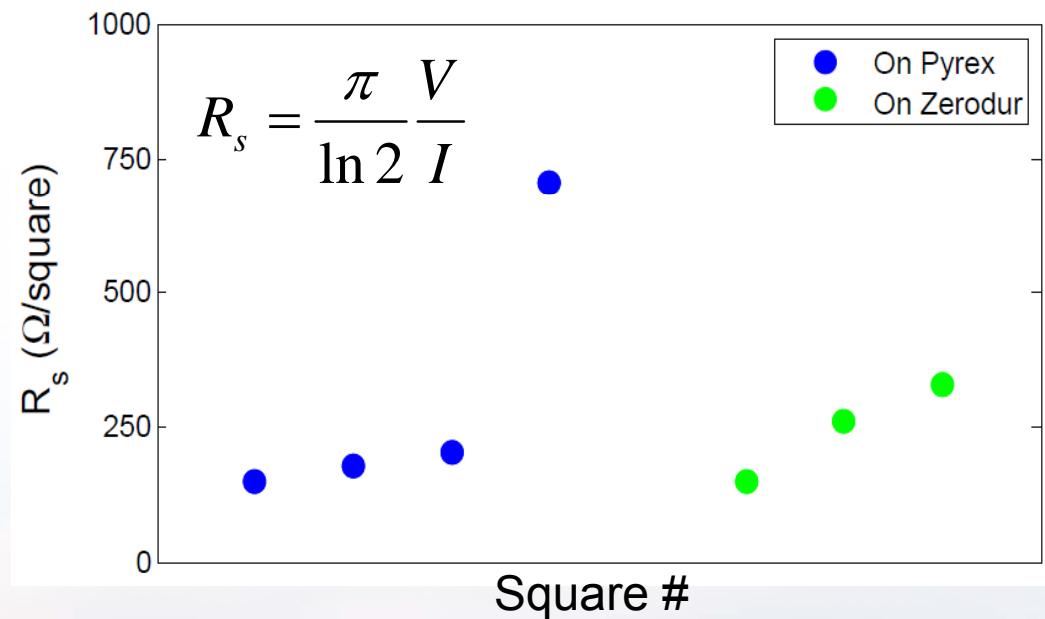


# Electronic characterization of transferred C-face graphene

At  $\sim 10$  K,  $R_s = 180 \pm 70 \Omega/\text{sq}$  for epitaxial graphene on SiC(000-1)



At RT,  $R_s$  is as low as  $150 \Omega/\text{sq}$  for transferred graphene



- Average R<sub>sheet</sub>:
  - Pyrex:  $320 \Omega/\text{sq}$
  - Zerodur:  $250 \Omega/\text{sq}$

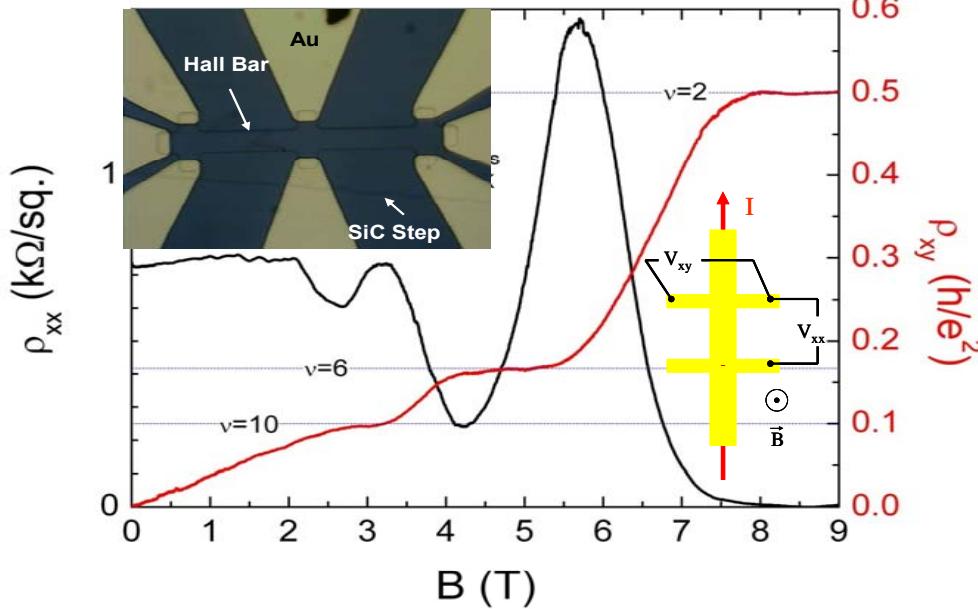


L. Biedermann, T. Beechem, A. Ross, T. Ohta, and S. Howell, *New J. of Physics* 12 (2010) 120516



# Electronic characterization of EG grown on SiC (0001)

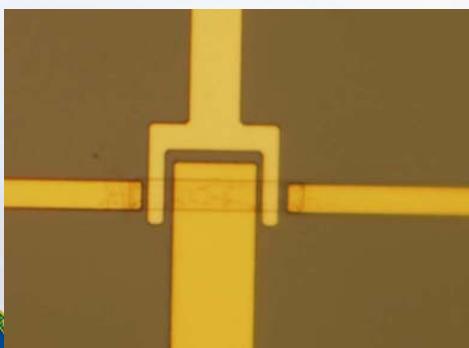
## Low Temp Transport Measurements (4 K)



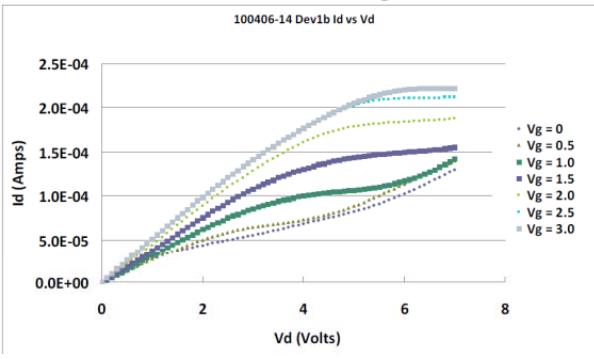
- EG electron mobility: 14,000 cm $^2$ /Vs
  - Record mobility (at time of measurement)
- Electron density:  $6 \times 10^{11}$  cm $^{-2}$
- Graphene sheet resistance:
  - ~1600  $\Omega$ /sq (average from 12 devices)
  - Indicates high uniformity
- Observed IQHE on 3 devices on the same chip

Pan, Howell, Ross, Ohta and Friedmann  
Appl. Phys. Lett. 97, 252101 (2010)

## GFET Development



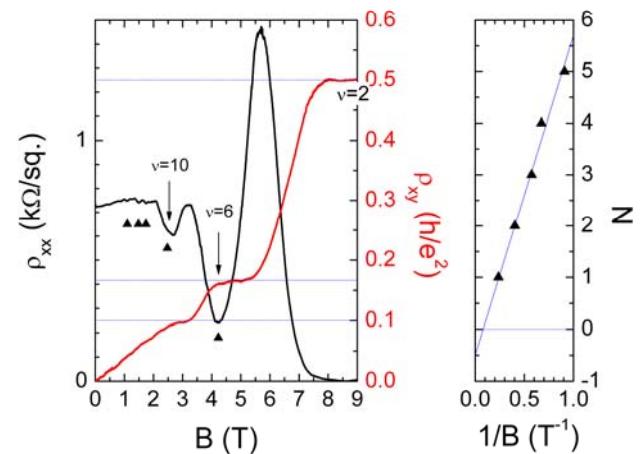
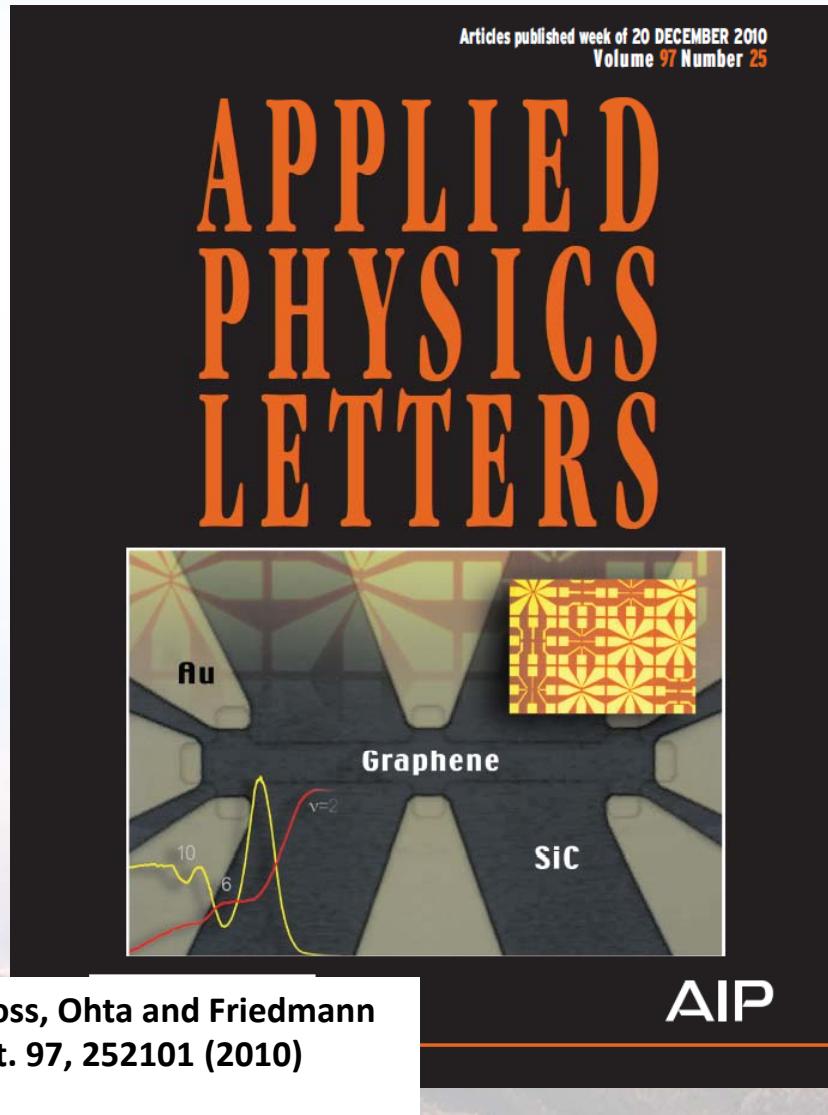
GFET fabricated from graphene grown on semi-insulating SiC



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# Hall Bar Devices for Confirming the Integer Hall Effect in Graphene/SiC

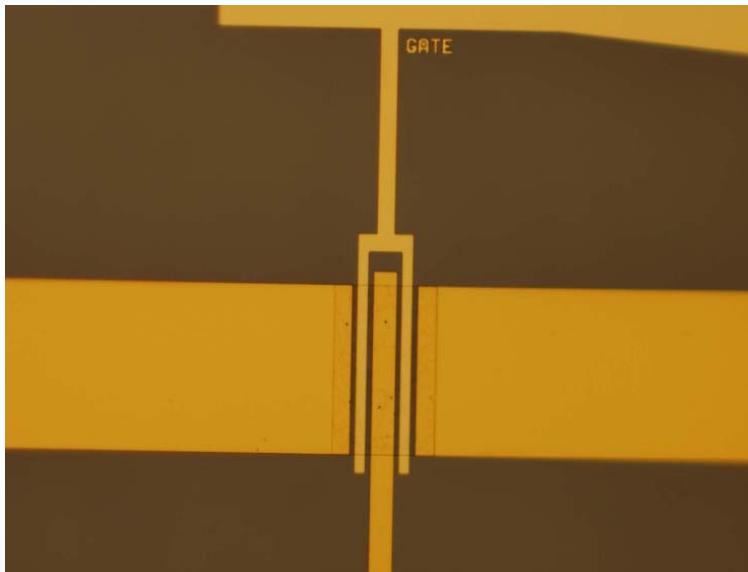
Hall Bar Device Structures range in size from:  
 $400 \times 50 \mu\text{m}^2$ ,  
 $200 \times 25 \mu\text{m}^2$ ,  
 $100 \times 12.5 \mu\text{m}^2$   
&  $50 \times 6.25 \mu\text{m}^2$ .



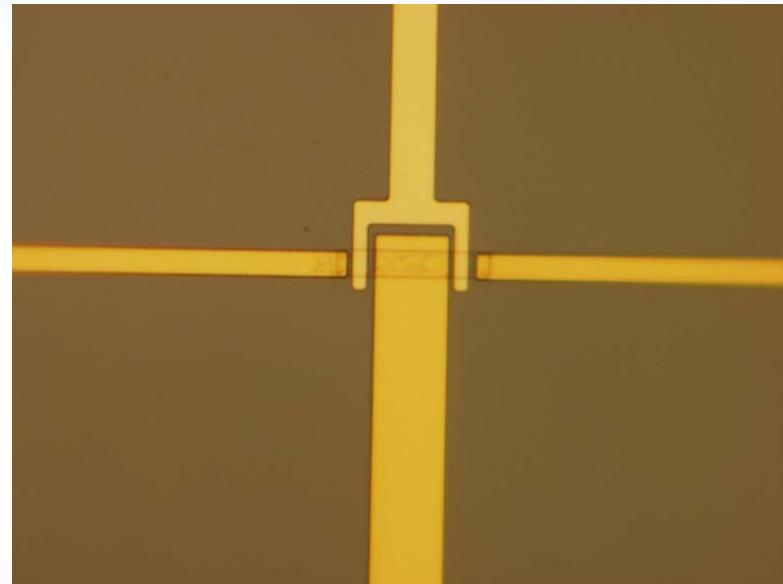
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# Initial GFET Devices

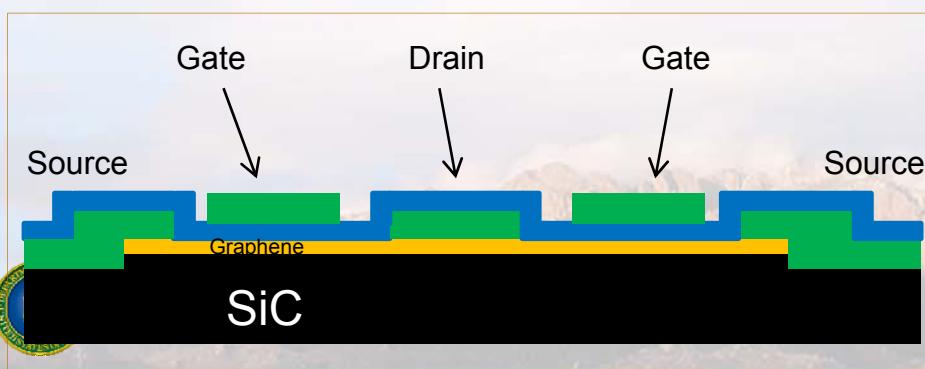
- 20 nm  $\text{SiO}_2$  Gate Oxide PVD deposited



Gate Length 6  $\mu\text{m}$   
Gate Width 100  $\mu\text{m}$   
Source/Drain Width 12  $\mu\text{m}$



Gate Length 3  $\mu\text{m}$   
Gate Width 6  $\mu\text{m}$   
Source/Drain Width 6  $\mu\text{m}$



Graphene	< 1nm
Gate Oxide	2-20nm
Metal	Ti/Au 320nm
SiC	Substrate

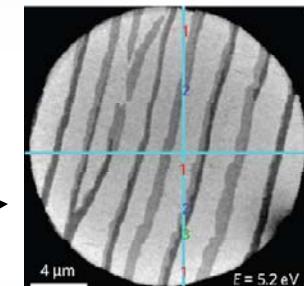
# Summary of Recent Major Results

This LDRD was the first of it's kind funded by the Nano-to-Micro IAT (mini-grand challenge) and was considered a strategic investment.

- Starting to establish technical leadership in the graphene research community

- Produced several high impact publications and presentations

- Achieved large area ( $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}^2$ ) synthesis on SiC



- Developed graphene synthesis using carbon deposition on SiC

- Demonstrated CVD graphene synthesis on Cu Foils

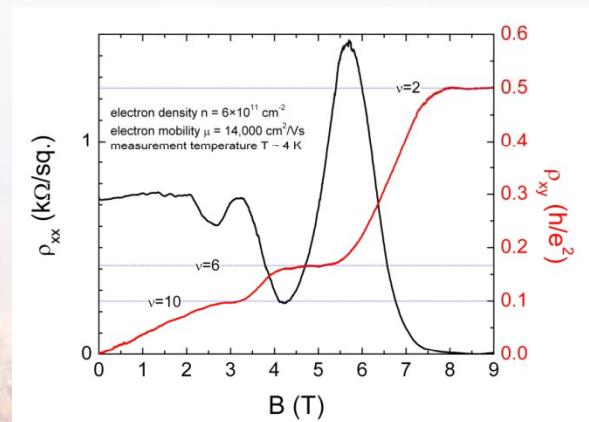
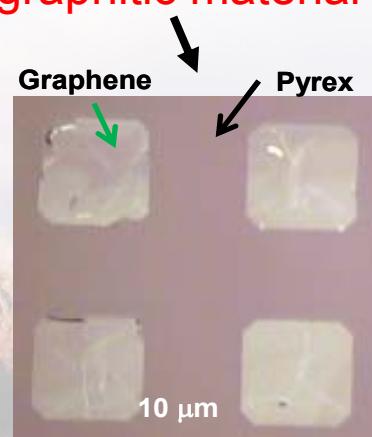
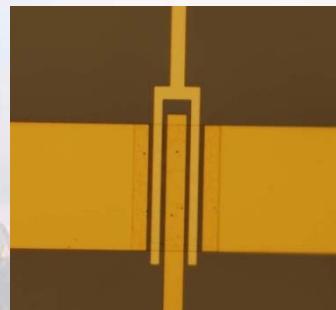


- Observed record mobility (14,000 cm<sup>2</sup>/Vs) for epitaxial graphene

- Observed IQHE in several devices

- Demonstrated controlled transfer of graphitic material

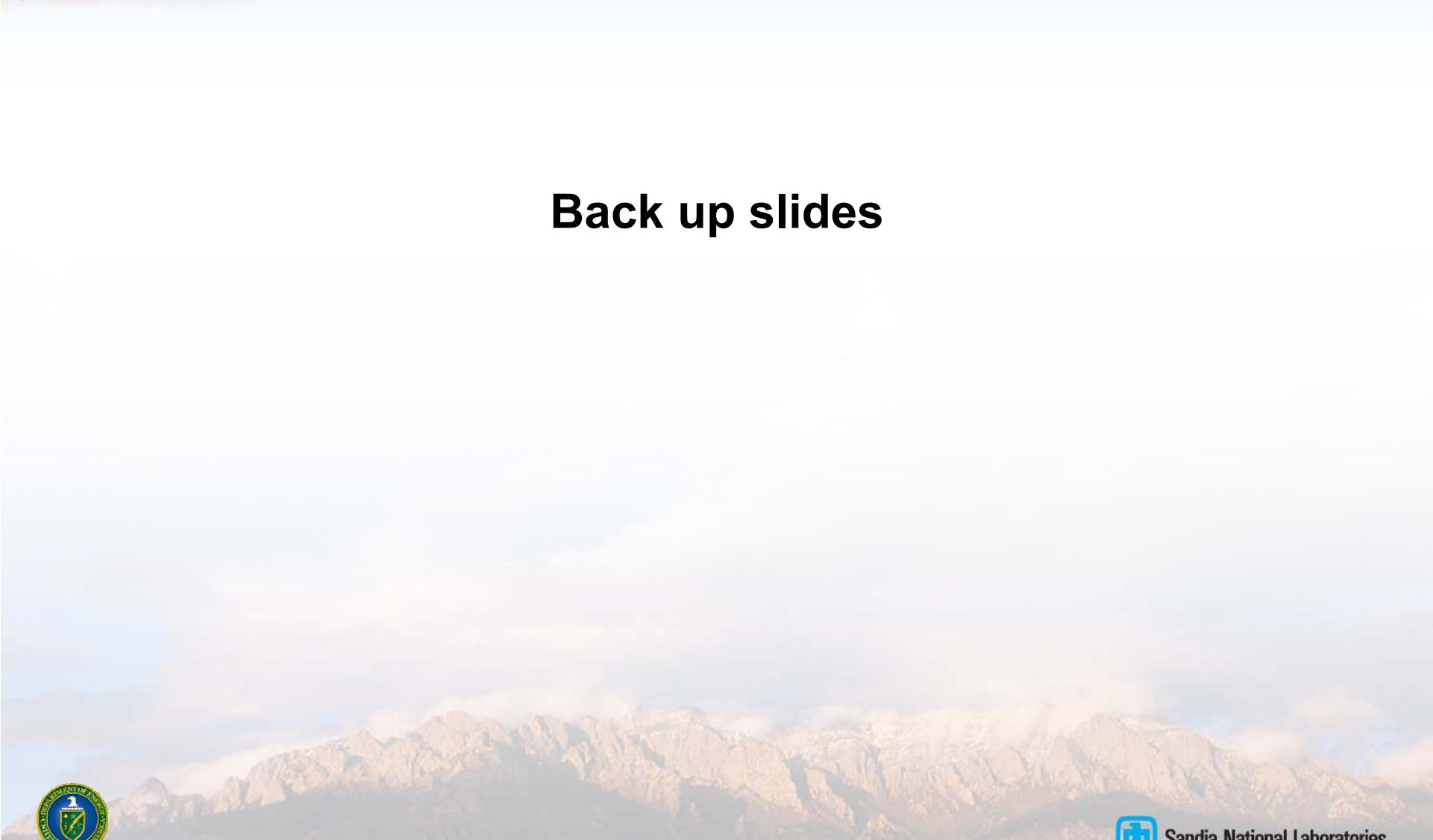
- Fabricated 1<sup>st</sup> generation GFETS



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# Back up slides



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# Graphene's Potential

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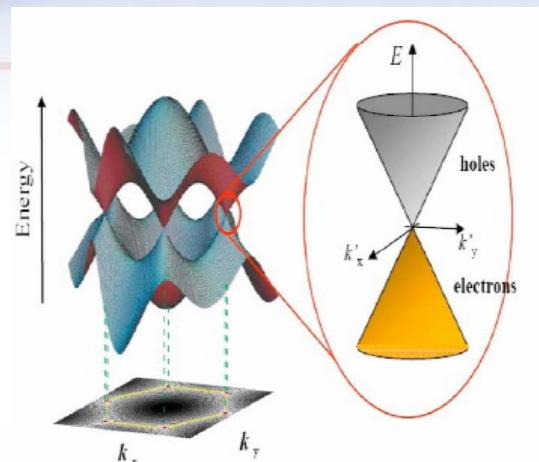
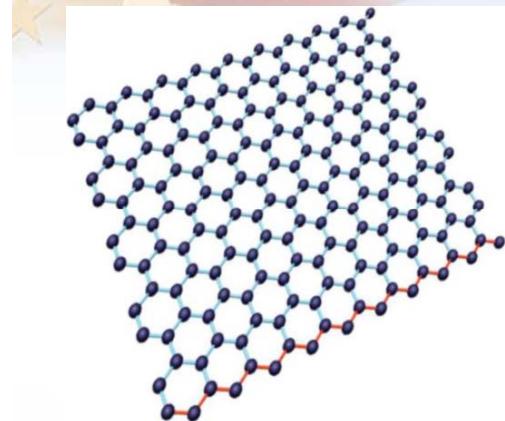
- *More consistent electronic properties than carbon nanotubes (CNT)*
- *Reported phenomenal electronic/material properties (possible beyond Si material)*
  - High electron mobility (reports of  $> 200,000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$  for exfoliated graphene)
    - ( $\sim 20 \times$  > than GaAs,  $\sim 30 \times$  > than Si)
  - High carrier velocity ( 300 times < speed of light)
  - Room temperature ballistic transport (minimum scatter)
  - Possible short source-drain transit times (0.1 ps for 100 nm long channel )
    - Competitive material for RF applications
  - A good material for spintronic applications (reported spin coherence lengths of 1  $\mu\text{m}$ )
    - Possible quantum information processing (QIP) applications
  - **Standard semiconductor lithographic techniques** can be adapted to make graphene devices
  - Reported thermal conductivity as high as  $5300 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}$  near room temperature
    - ( $\sim 1.5 \times$  > than CNTs,  $\sim 2.5 \times$  > than Diamond and  $\sim 37 \times$  > than Si)



Nice review article: A. K. Geim et al., *Science* **324**, 1530 (2009)

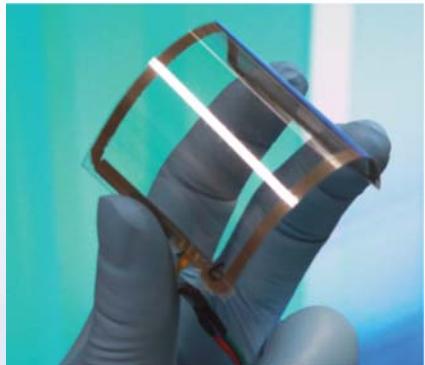
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# Why graphene?



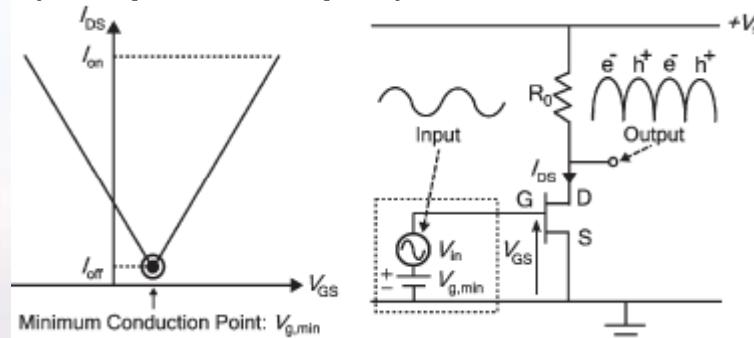
Mobility,  $\mu$ , up to  $250,000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$   
 (suspended exfoliated graphene)  
 Ambipolar, zero-bandgap  
 Current densities up to  $5 \times 10^8 \text{ A/cm}^2$   
 Elastic modulus  $\sim 1 \text{ TPa}$

## Transparent electrodes



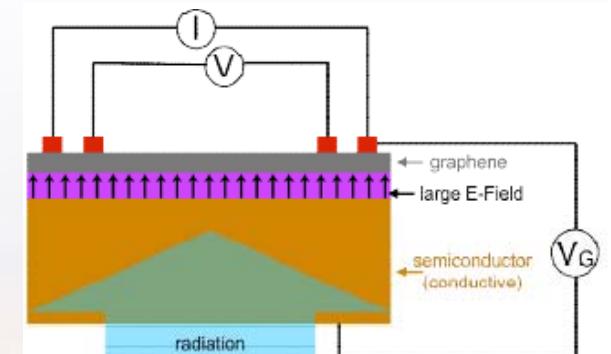
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## RF Frequency multiplier (ambipolar transport)



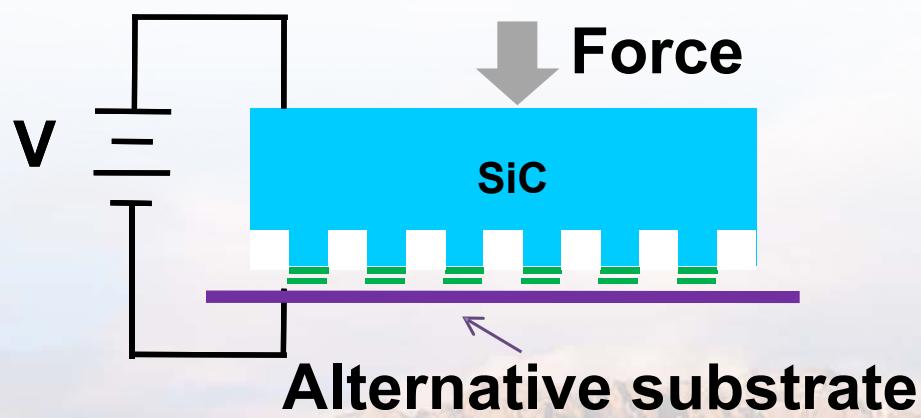
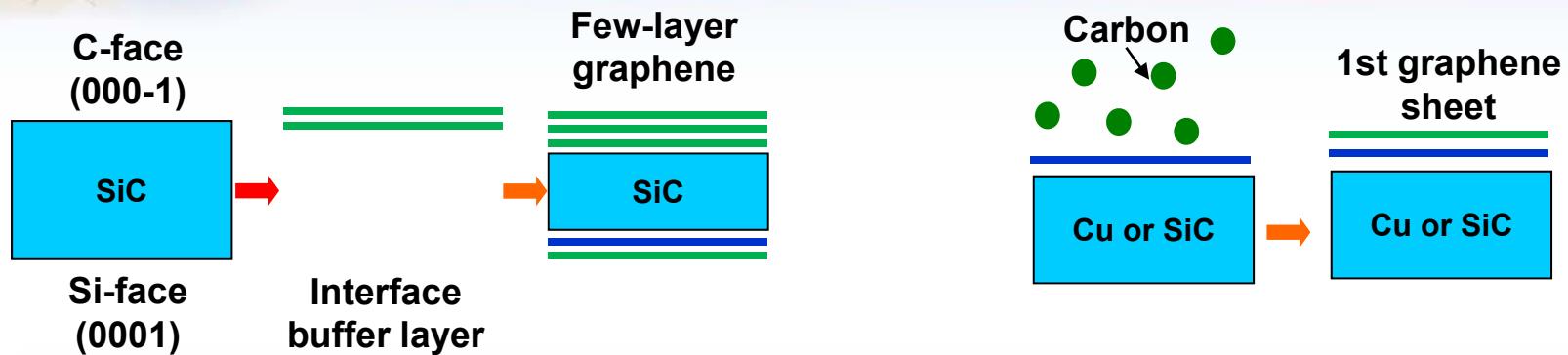
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## Read-out for radiation detection



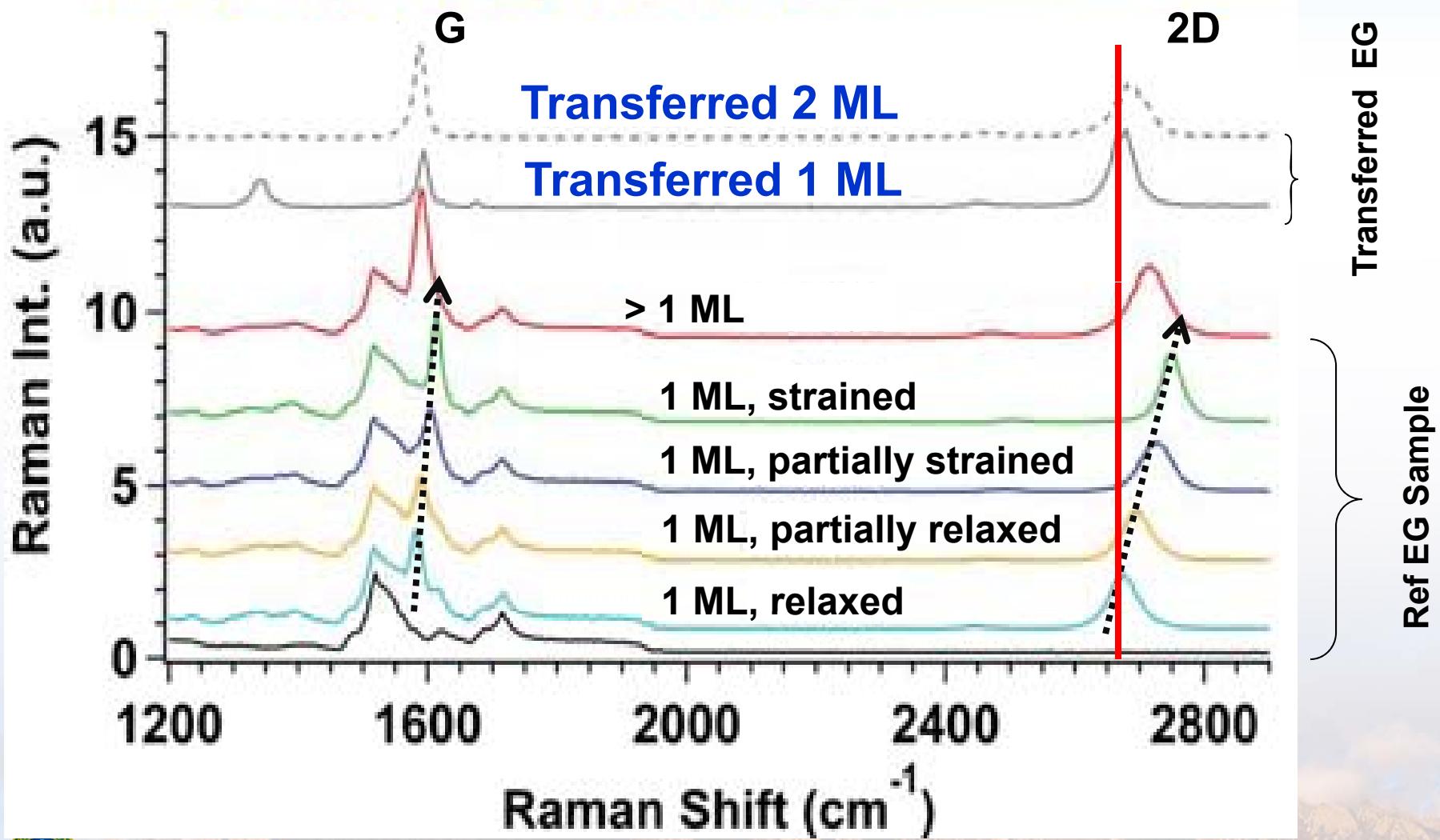
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# Transfer relaxes strain inherent in epitaxial graphene



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# Supporting Graphene Development with Raman

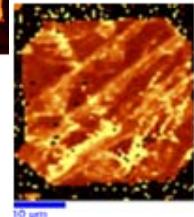
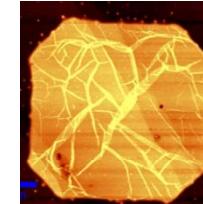
## Raman Capability

- Raman spectroscopy is a core tool in the characterization of graphene used to:
  - Identify the presence of the material
  - Identify mono and bilayer regions
  - Quantify doping and stress in the mat'l.
- Our Raman imaging capability builds pictures that show the evolution and distribution of these features.

## Electrostatic Transfer

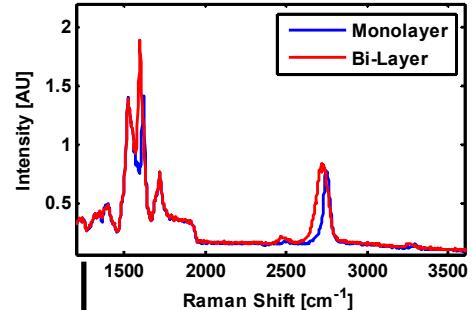
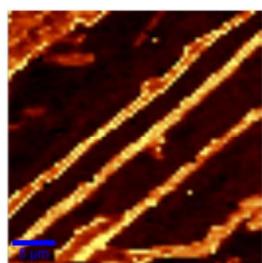
- Combining AFM (top) and Raman images, surface and material specific information is acquired.

- These correlations probes the quality of graphene transferred onto alternative substrates.



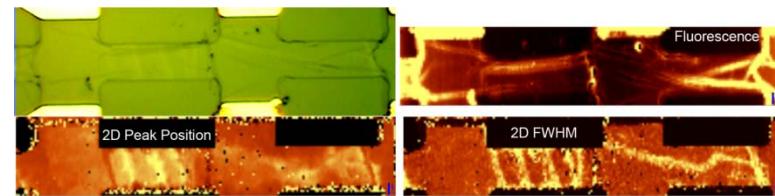
## Imaging Graphene Growth

- Raman identifies promising regions for processing into devices.



- Imaging assesses procedures by identifying uniformity across wafer.

## Monitoring Graphene Processing



- Using fluorescence and Raman spectra, we have identified cleaning procedures to remove photoresist without damaging the graphene.

