



# Pressure-driven assembly of nanoparticle arrays and nanostructures

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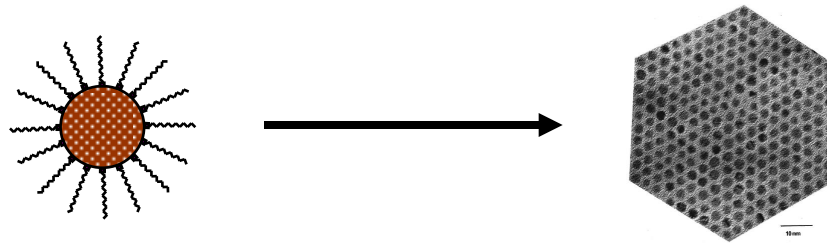
## **V. Discussion/questions**



# Applications of Nanocrystals and Nanocrystal Arrays

## 1. Size-dependent and collective optical, electric, and magnetic properties.

e.g., tuning refractive index for optical coatings, tuning dielectric constant, QD/solar cells, electron transport/conductance, magnetic memory, etc.



Heath, et al *Science*, 1997

## 2. Chemical and biological sensor & imaging.

e.g., Surface enhanced Raman scattering (SERS) based chem-/bio-sensor systems, killing cells using external stimulates such as magnetic field, light etc.

## 3. Catalyst arrays for orientated growth of nanomaterials films/arrays.

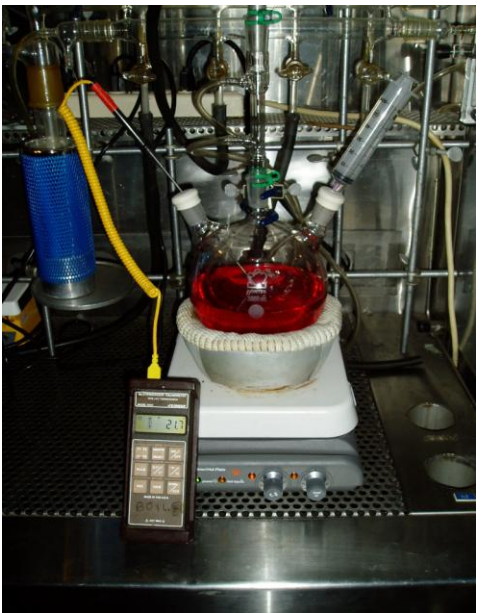
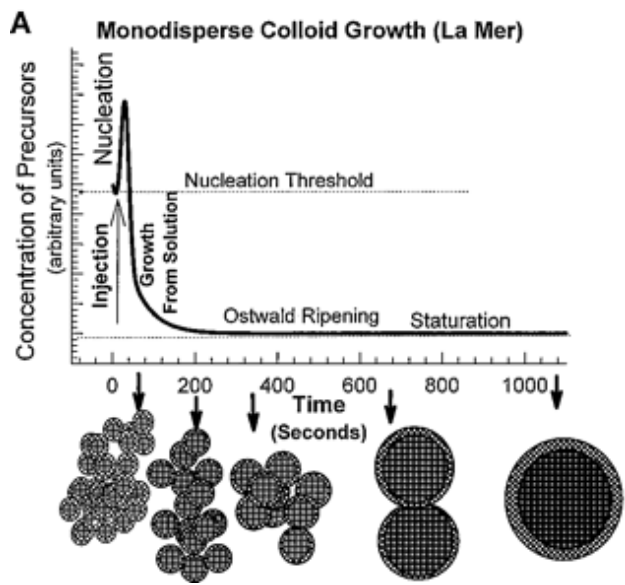
e.g., carbon nanotube arrays/films, nanowire arrays, etc

(CdSe) Semiconductor size increase



# Synthesis of Hydrophobic Nanoparticles Stabilized by Organic Monolayers

## (1) Nucleation and growth at high temperature

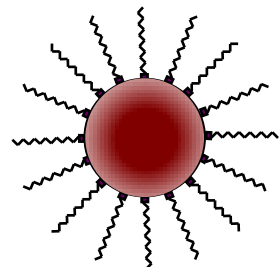
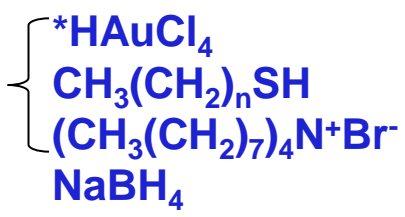


**Semiconducting and magnetic nanocrystals**  
e.g., CdSe, FePt, FeMnO<sub>4</sub>

**Organic ligands:**  
Trioctylphosphine  
Trioctylphosphine oxide  
CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>  
CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>COOH

Murray, CB *et al. Annu. Rev. Mater. Sci.* **2000**, 30, 545-610.

## (2) Synthesis of metal nanocrystals in reverse micelles at room temperature



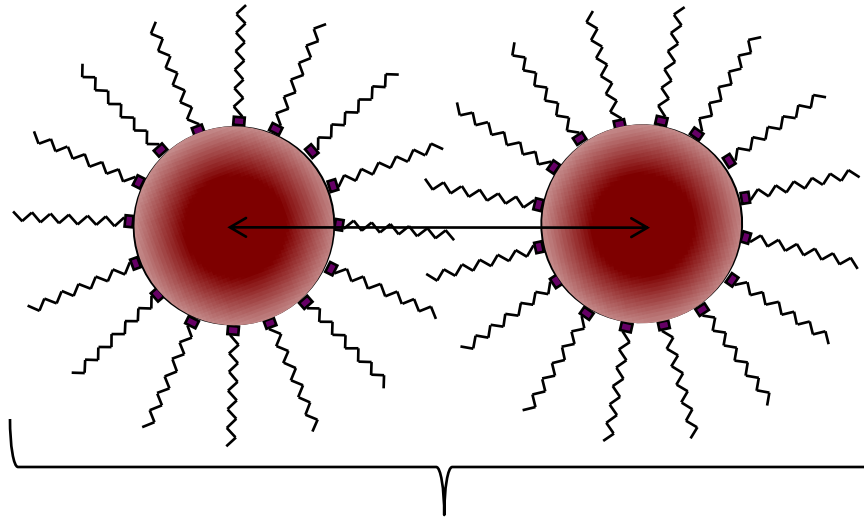
**Metal nanocrystals**  
e.g., gold, silver, etc.

\* Brust, M., *et al. J. Chem. Soc.-Chem. Comm.* **7**, 801 - 802 (1994).

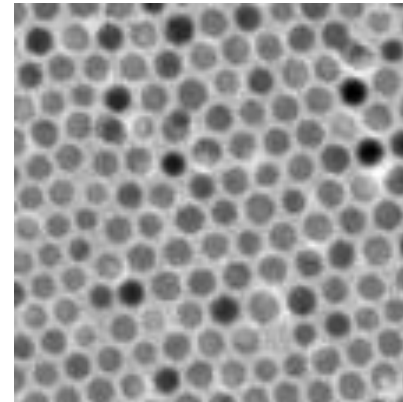
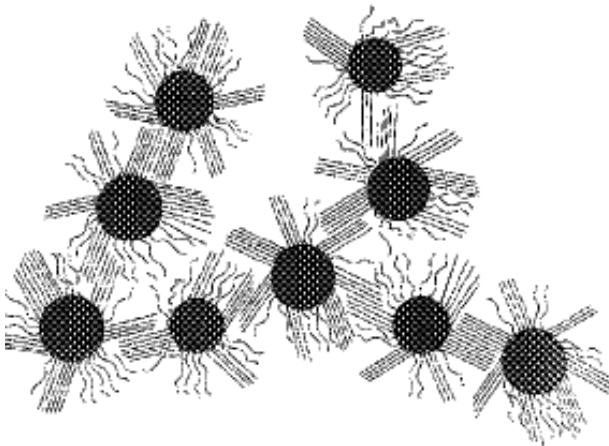


# Nanoparticle Assembly at Ambient Pressure:

## 1. Balanced Interparticle Interactions



Balanced interparticle interactions



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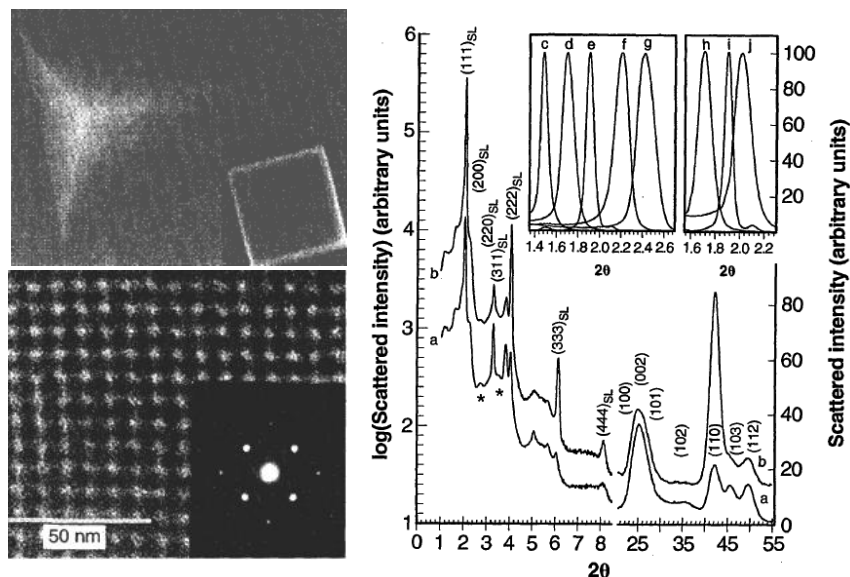




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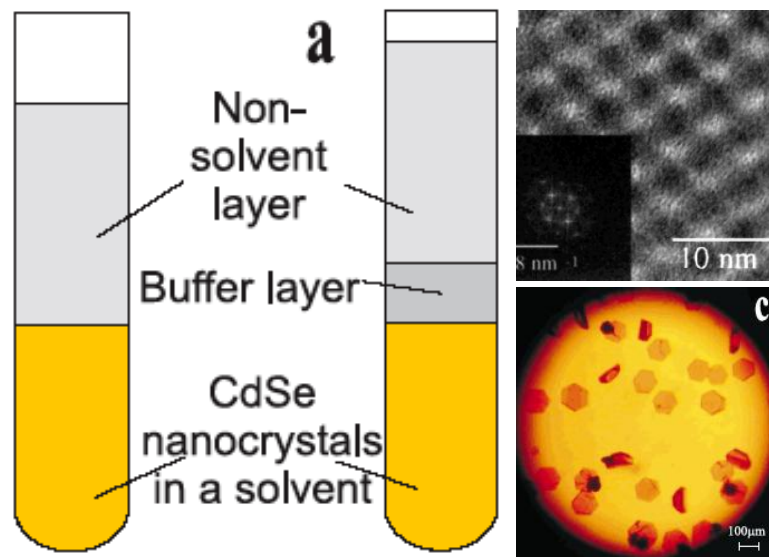
## 1. Balanced Interparticle Interactions

### 1. Slow solvent evaporation



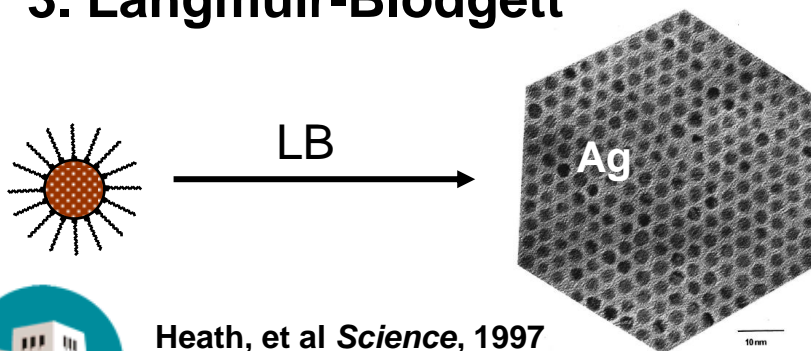
Murray, et al., *Science*, 1995

### 2. Heterogeneous nucleation



Talapin, et al., *Adv. Mater.* 2001

### 3. Langmuir-Blodgett



Heath, et al *Science*, 1997

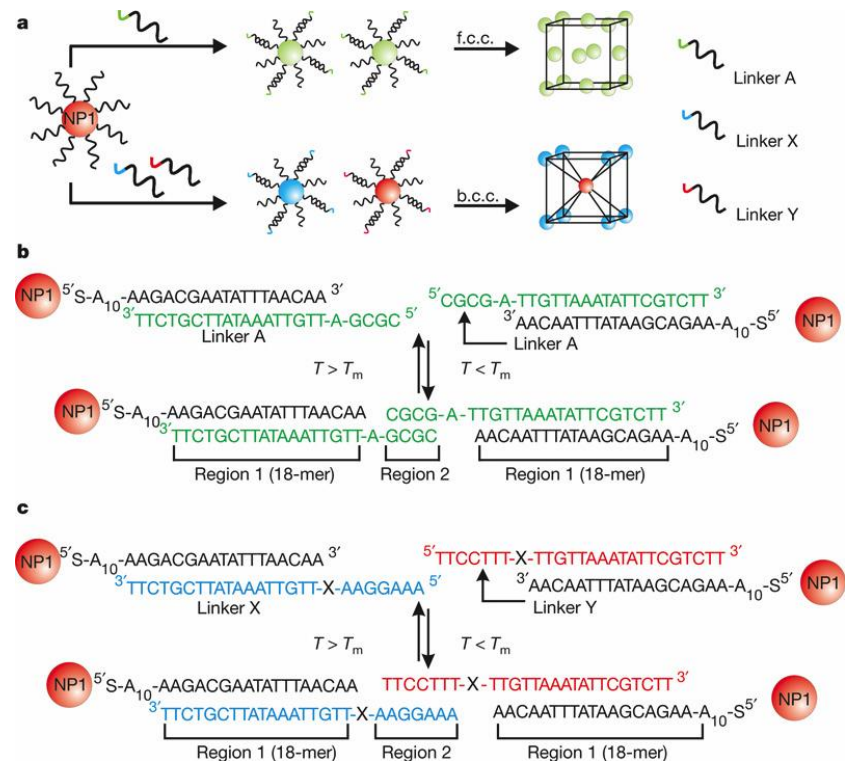
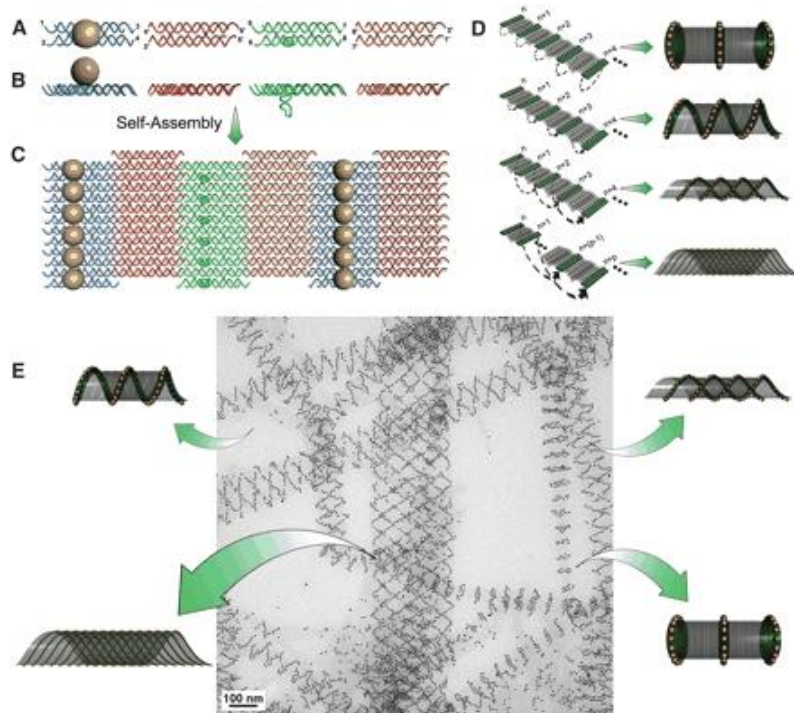
### 4. Others:

- Break figure:  
Han YC *et al.*  
Russell, T *et al.*  
Korgel B. *et al.*



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## 2. DNA-Programmable Nanoparticle Crystallization



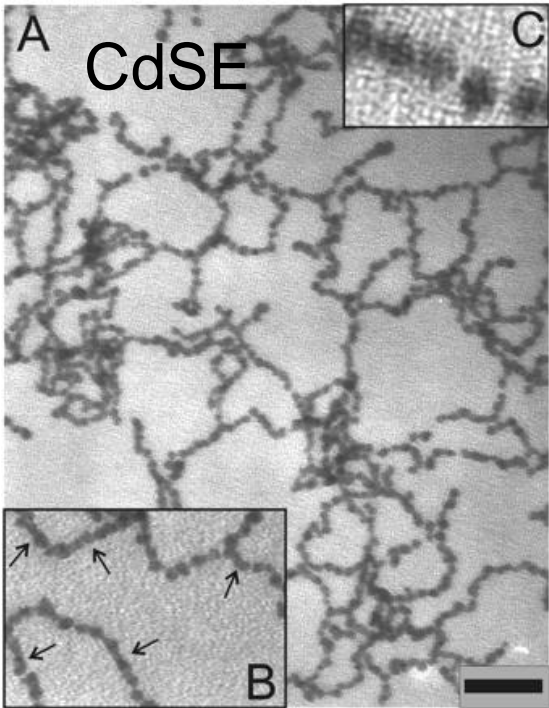
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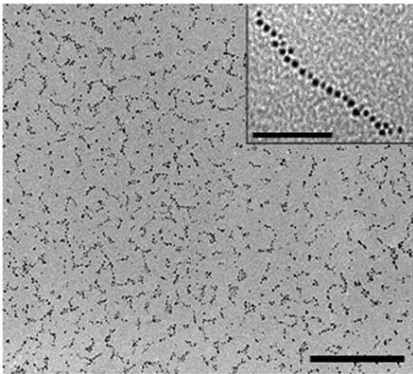
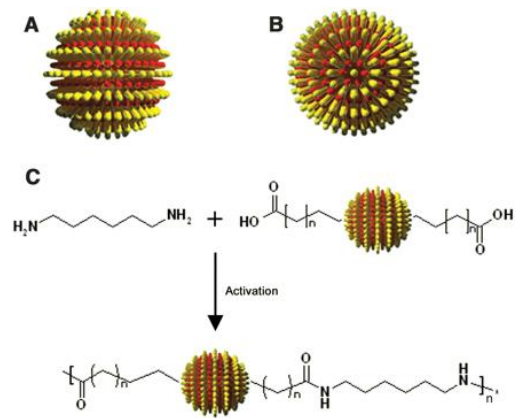
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### Dipole-Dipole Interaction

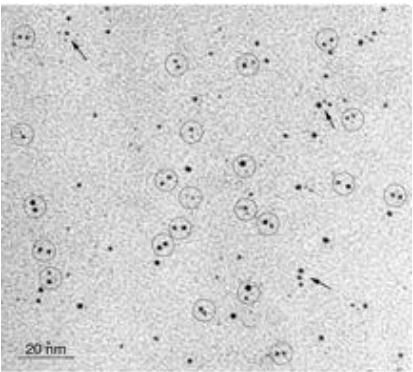
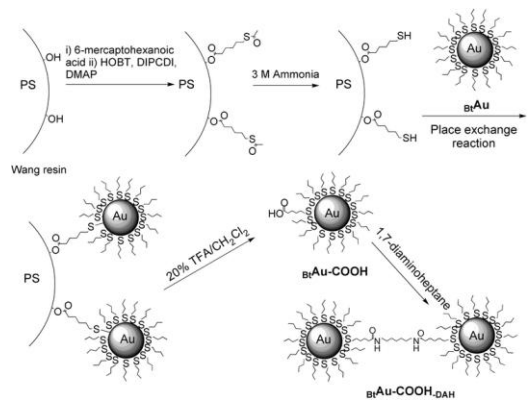


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### Chemical Reactions



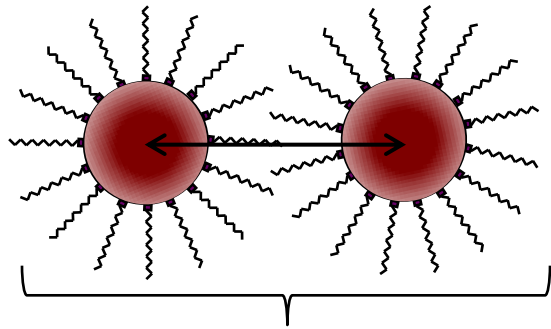
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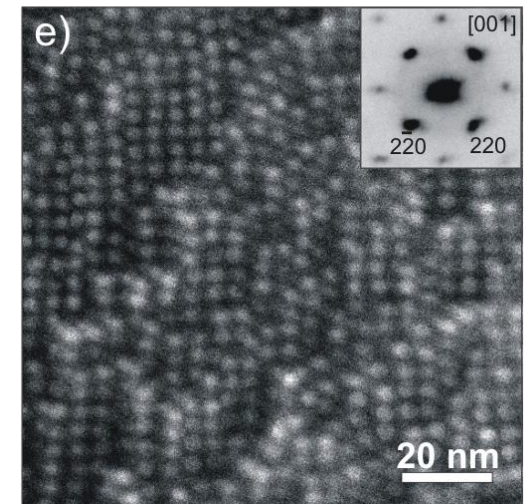
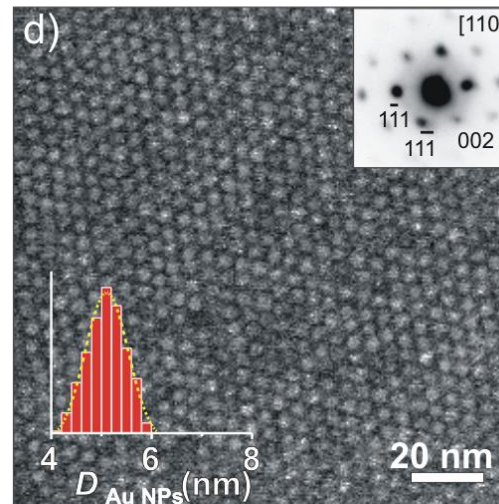
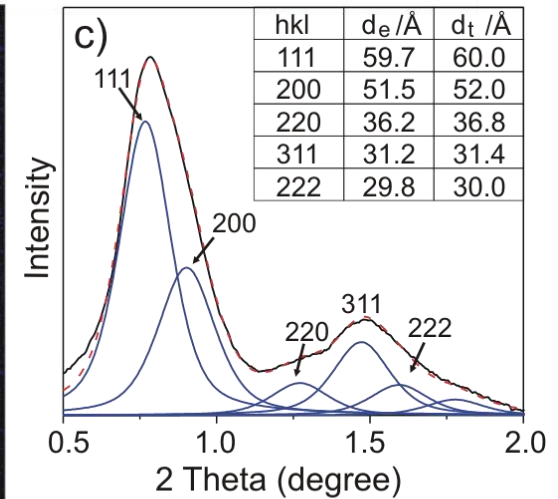
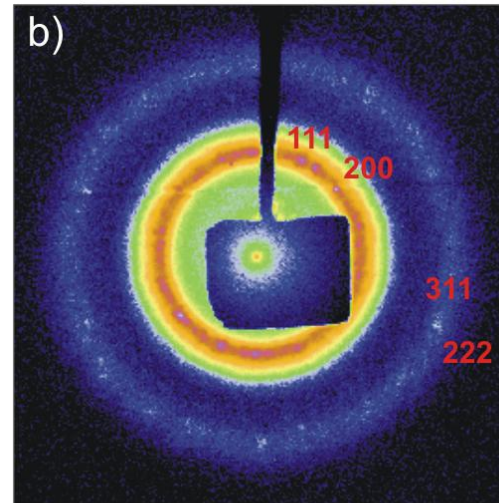
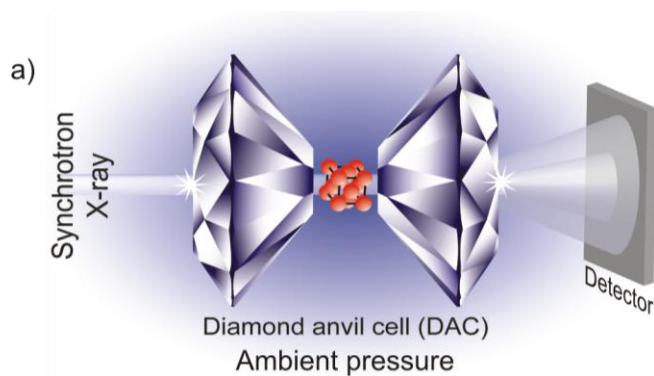
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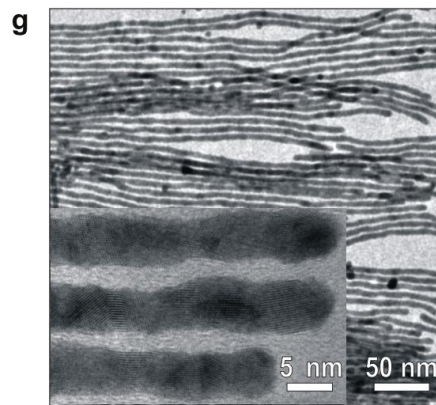
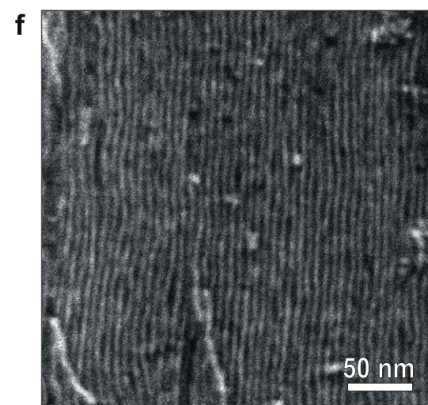
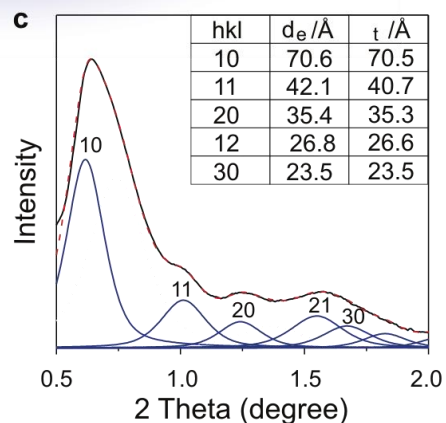
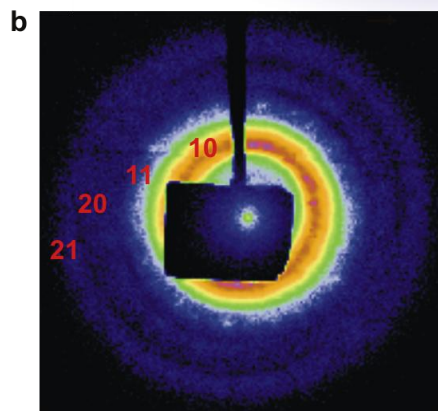
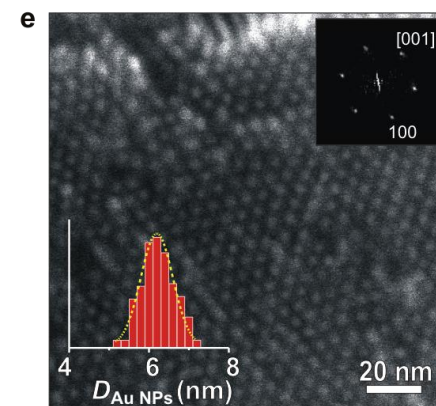
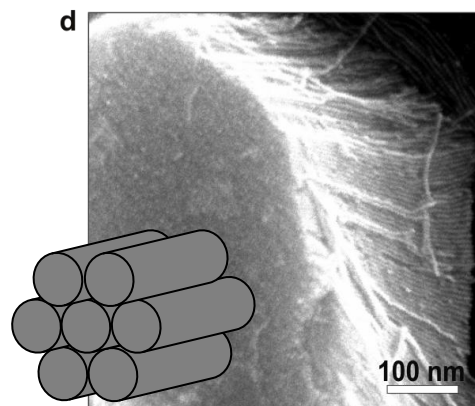
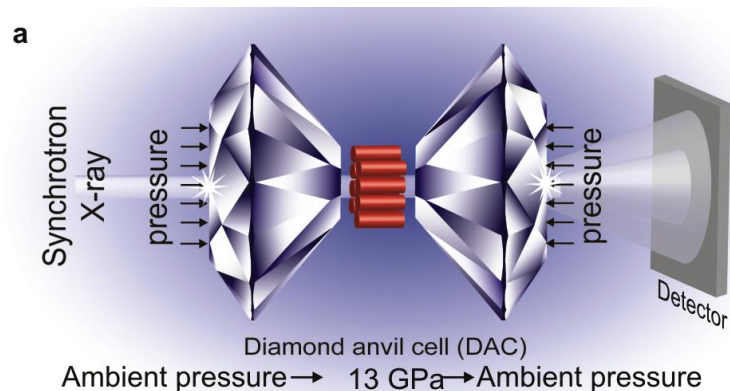
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Balanced interparticle interactions

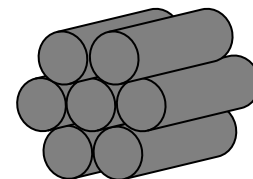
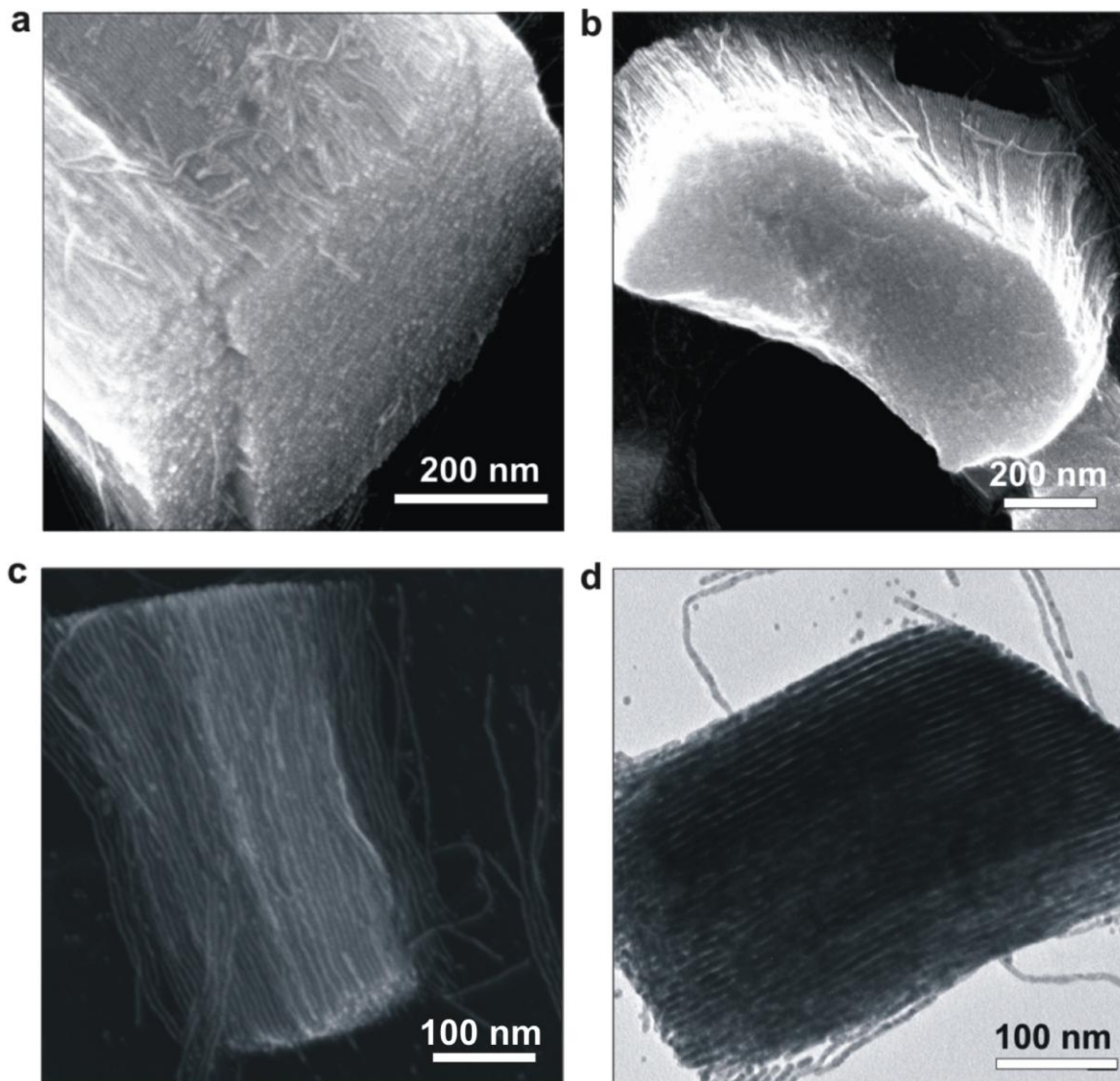


# High Pressure Driven Formation of 1D Nanowires



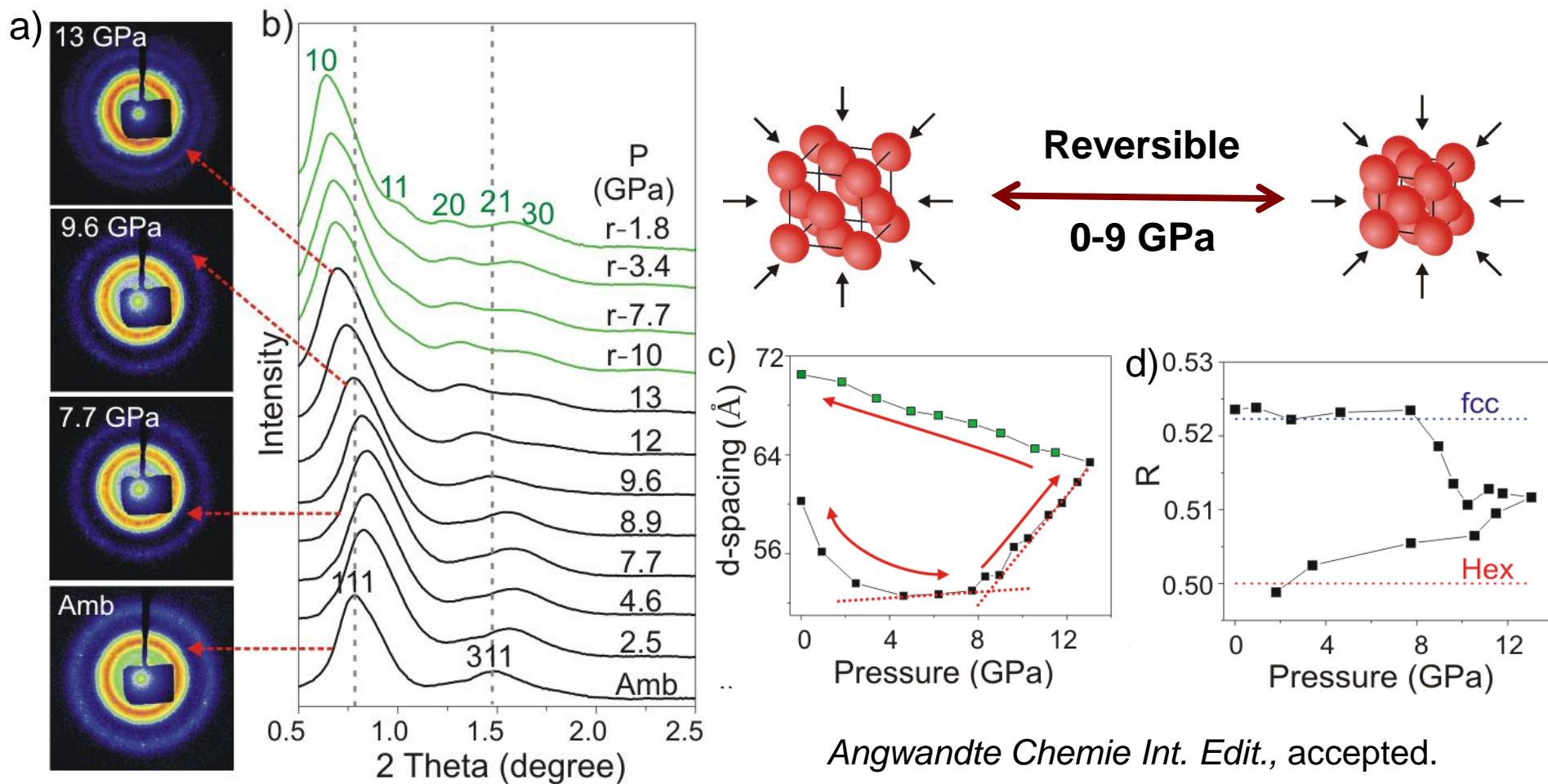


# 1D nanostructure arrays



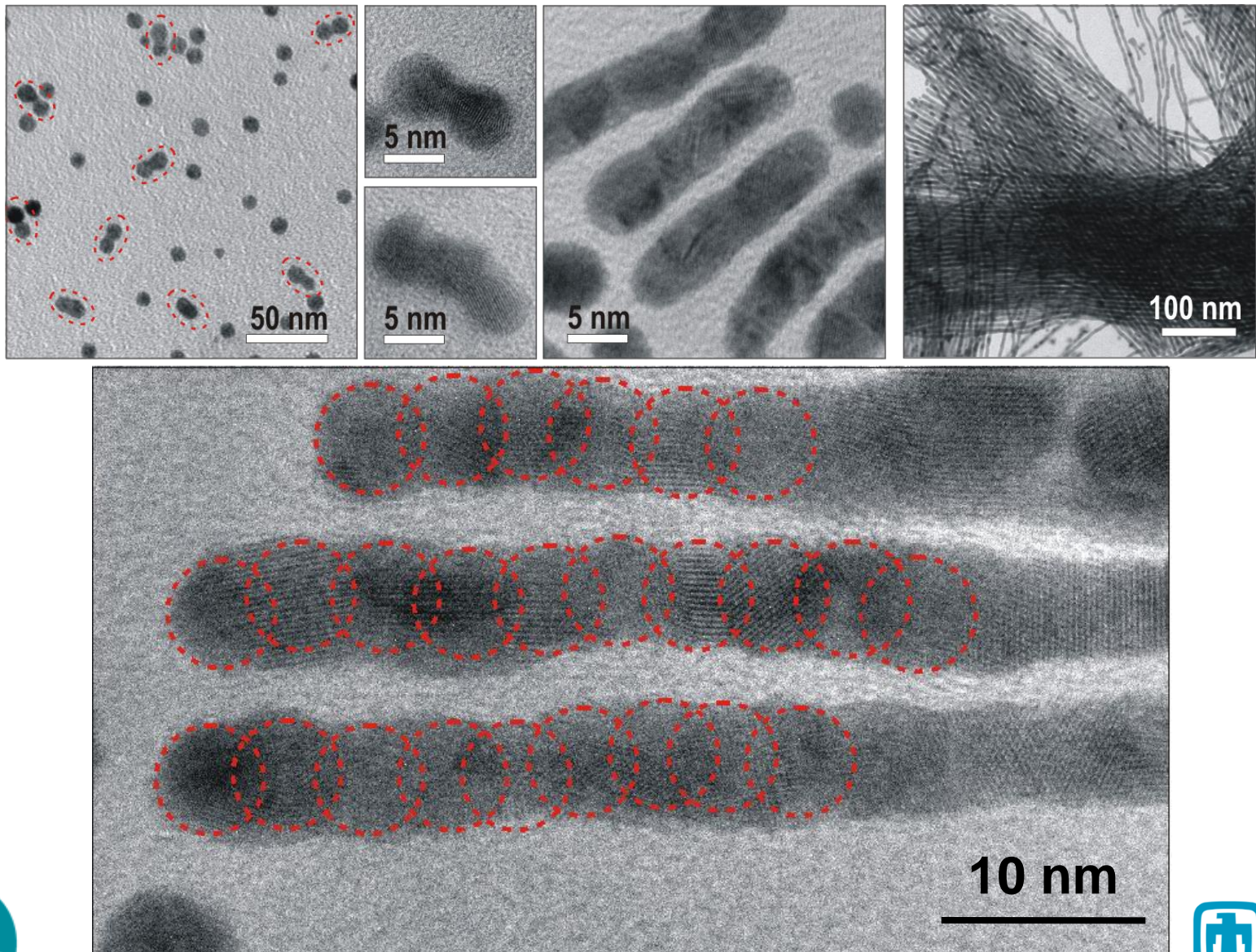
# High Pressure GISAXS Studies of Nanoparticle Assembly under Pressure

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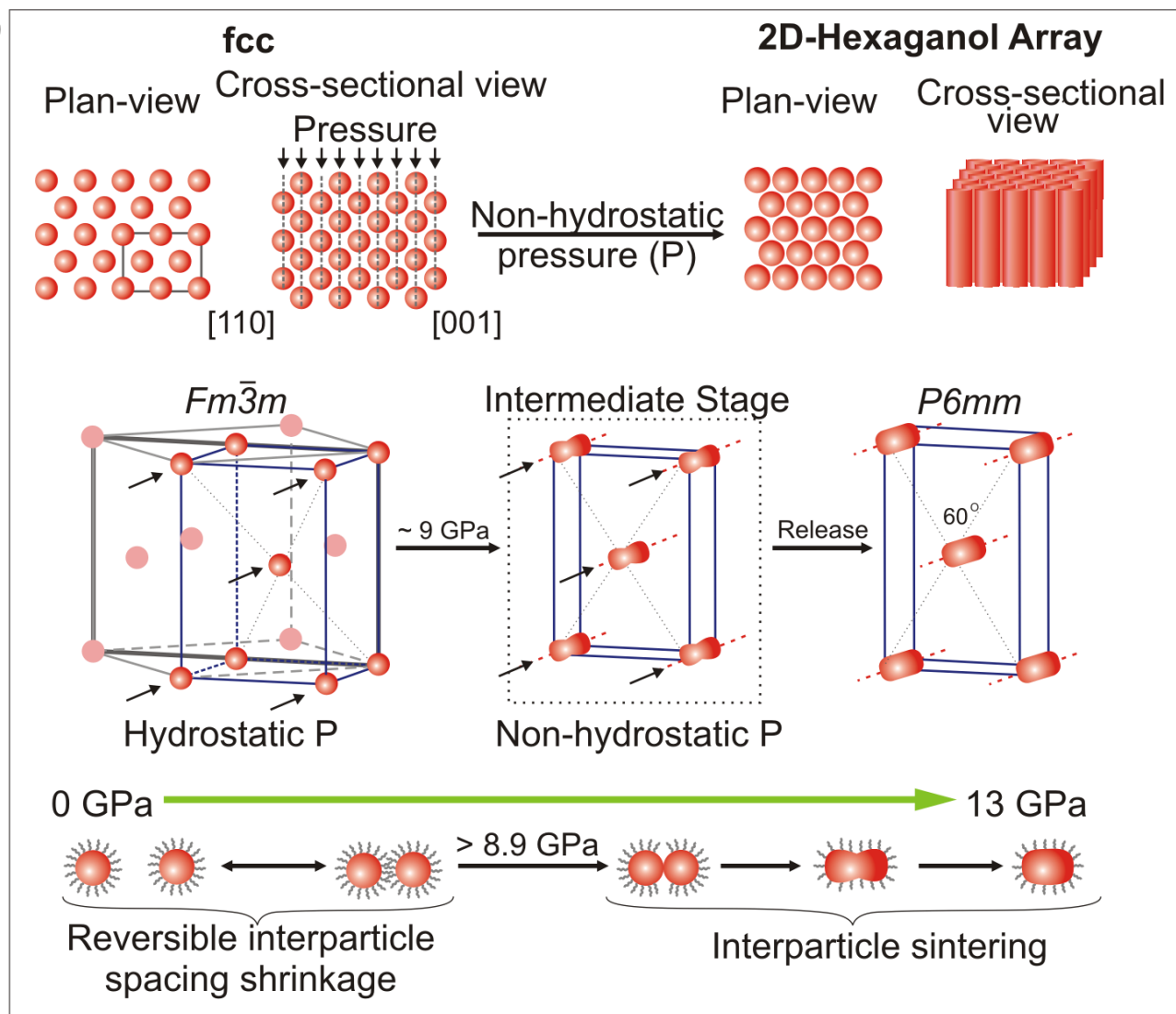




# High Pressure Driven Nanoparticle Sintering and Formation of New Chemically and Mechanically Stable 1D Nanostructures



# Proposed Processes for High Pressure Driven Nanoparticle Sintering and Formation of 1D Nanostructures



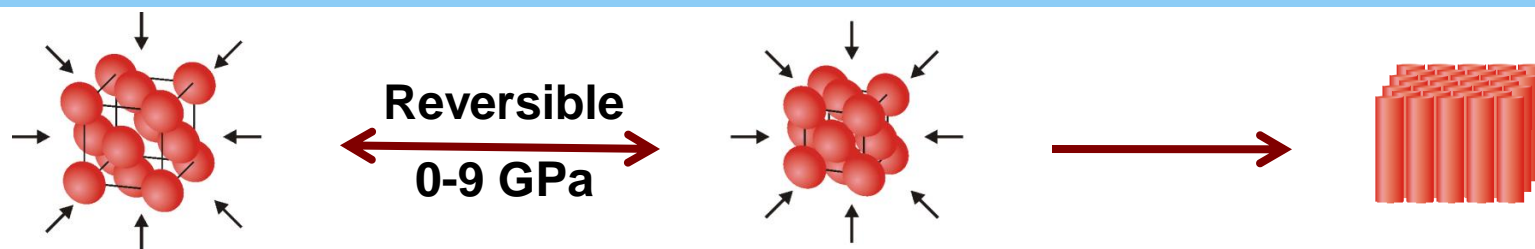
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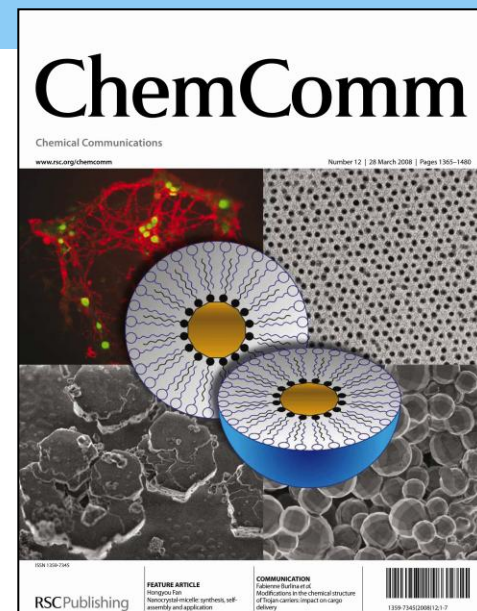
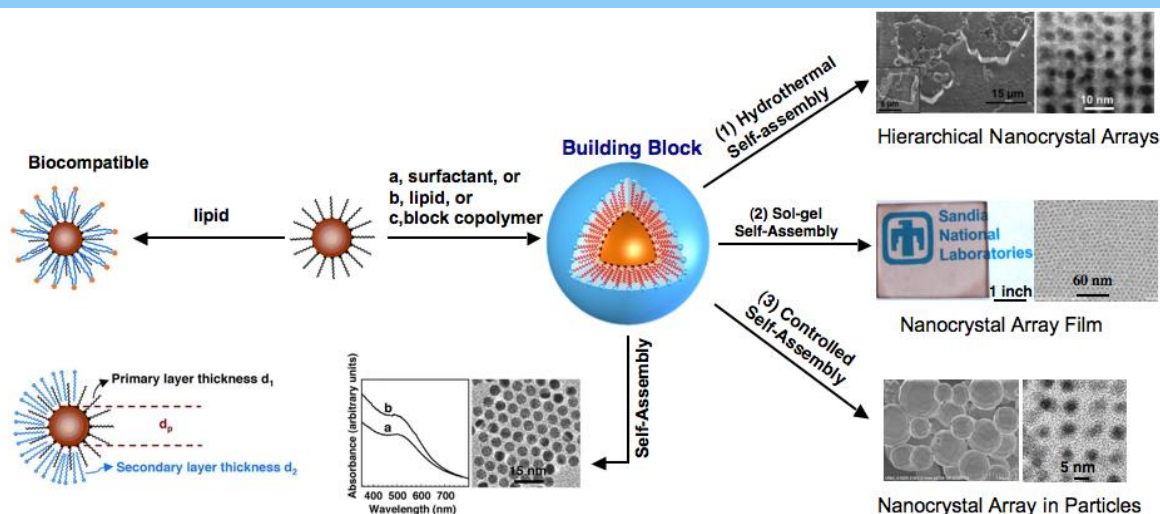


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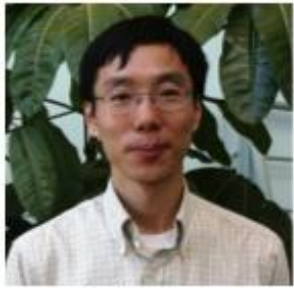


II. We have developed a simple, flexible method to functionalize nanoparticles and simple, economic coating processes for nanoparticle coatings with robotic structure, property (e.g., optical, electrical, and magnetic), and improved uniformity and enhanced stability.

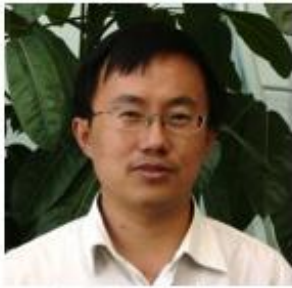


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