NANOCELLULOSE

An introduction, with experiments

Nanotechnology 1959

- I want to build a billion tiny factories, models of each other, which are manufacturing simultaneously... The principles of physics, as far as I can see, do not speak against the possibility of maneuvering things atom by atom. It is not an attempt to violate any laws; it is something, in principle, that can be done; but in practice, it has not been done because we are too big.
- Richard Feynman, Nobel Prize winner in physics





Nanotechnology is the creation of **USEFUL/FUNCTIONAL** materials, devices and systems through control of matter on the nanometer length scale and exploitation of novel phenomena and properties (physical, chemical, biological) at that length scale



Charles Bauschlicher

"If I were asked for an area of science and engineering that will most likely produce the breakthroughs of tomorrow, I would point to nanoscale science and engineering."

-Neal Lane Former Assistant to the President for Science And Technology

"NANO" DEFINITION

- SI (System International) unit prefix meaning 10⁻⁹
- i.e. 1 nm = 1 X 10⁻⁹ m
- US Government
- 1 nm \leq smallest dimension \leq 100 nm

The Scale of Things – Nanometers and More









Things Natural

Human hair ~ 60-120 um wide.

Red blood cells (~7-8 jum)







DNA ~2-1/2 nm diameter



Fly ash ~ 10-20 µm



ATP synthese



Atoms of silicon spacing 0.078 nm





Corral diameter 14 nm

Fabricate and combine nanoscale building blocks to make aseful. devices, e.g., a photosymhetic reaction center with integral semiconductor storage.



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Melting Point of Gold





Source: K.J. Klabunde, 2001

Au and Ag nanoparticles change color with size



Nanocrystals in suspension. Each jar contains either silver or gold, and the color difference is caused by particle sizes and shapes, as shown in the structures *Courtesy of Richard Van Duyne Group, Northwestern University.*

http://nanohub.org/resources/6583/about



2004_06_15_carbon_black.Par.0006.posterImage.jpg

Addition of nano-sized carbon to rubber

- Particle size 10-75 nm
- Strength can increase 10 X
- Stiffness increases 7 X (in accordance with modified Einstein equation)
- Abrasion resistance >1000 X
- White rubber uses silica nanoparticles

Carbon Nanotubes



 CNT exhibits extraordinary mechanical properties: the Young's modulus is over 1 Tera Pascal. It is stiff as diamond. The estimated tensile strength is 30 Giga **Pascal.** These properties are ideal for reinforced composites, nanoelectromechanical systems (NEMS)



Price = \$50 - \$500/g ~ \$20 K - \$200 K/lb!



Self-Cleaning Surfaces: Lotus Effect







W. Barthlott, Univ. of Hamburg



REM recording of a holographically produced self-cleaning surface. © Fraunhofer ISE



Epicuticular wax

(Source: Metin Sitti, CMU)

Water on a lotus leaf



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Image:LotusEffekt1.jpg

Diagram showing a droplet cleaning a superhydrophobic surface by rolling off



• Droplet does not slide, it rolls

• Particle removed if force of adsorption > static friction between the particle and surface

 static friction force very low due to minimized contact area between particle and surface



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Nanotec Pty Ltd Announces it's wood protection product ...

http://nanotechwire.com/news.asp?nid=1584&ntid=126...





Clear Sunscreen

- Large ZnO particles
 - Block UV light
 - Scatter visible light
 - Appear white
- Nanosized ZnO particles
 - Block UV light
 - So small compared to the wavelength of visible light that they don't scatter it
 - Appear clear

Sources: http://www.apt powders.com/images/zno/im_zinc_oxide_particles.jpg http://www.abc.net.au/science/news/stories/s1165709.htm http://www.4girls.gov/body/sunscreen.jpg



"Traditional" ZnO sunscreen is white



Nanoscale ZnO sunscreen is clear



50 nm

Zinc oxide nanoparticles

nanosense.org/documents/present ations/NIMDWorkshopOct2005.ppt

Nanovations Lignol



UV protection for wood using nanoparticles

http://www.nanovations.com.au/Wood.htm

<u>Building 3D Structures with DNA Bricks</u>

Clay nanocomposites

- Developed by Toyota in 1990
- Applications:
 - -Fire-resistant plastics
 - -Barrier films

 Appliance, construction, electrical, food packaging and transportation sectors



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S. Ray and M. Okamoto, Prog. Polym. Sci. 28 (2003) 1539–1641







The step-assist on the 2002 GMC Safari (shown) and Chevrolet Astro vans is the automotive industry's first exterior applications for thermoplastic polyolefin-based nanocomposites. The part won General Motors the 2001 Grand Award for plastics innovation from the SPE's Automotive Division. (Photo courtesy of Wieck Photo Database).

Montmorilloniete clay-filled latex polymer --RT Modulus, MPa Tg ≤ 20 C Volume % clay

Exfoliated clay in a water-dispersible latex copolymer

Y. Rao and J. M Pochan, Macromol. (2007) 40:290-296

Barrier Film for packaging

Nano-PA6 using Nanomer 1.24 TL - In situ polymerization



http://nanocor.com/

CHALLENGES

- Dispersion of nanoparticles
- Production scale-up of nanoparticles
- Coupling of filler to matrix
- Improving knowledge base to allow intelligent design of products which capture the advantages of nanomaterials



Angew. Chem. nt. Ed. 2011, 50, 5438–5466



The cellulose sub-elementary fibril in plants is the most abundant nanomaterial on Earth!

> Prof. Hiroyuki Yano Kyoto University





Fig. (3). Evolution of the annual number of patents on microcrystalline cellulose. Descriptors: microcrystalline cellulose.

CELLULOSE NANOFIBER (CNF)

Microfluidizer/ high pressure homogenizer



http://www.pharmainfo.net/pharma-student-magazine/nanoemulsions-0

Microfluidizer



Klemm, et al., Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2011, 50, 5438 – 5466



Supermasscolloider Masuko Grinder

MASUKO SANGYO CO., LTD



Results at ~2% solids





http://www.kemira.com/en/industries-applications/paper/chemicalpulp/Pages/default.aspx

N. Lavoine et al. / Carbohydrate Polymers 90 (2012) 735–764

Microfibrillated cellulose



Dufresne, et al. J. Appl. Poly. Sci. 64 (1997) 1185
Nanofibrillated cellulose



Saito, et al. Biomacromolecules 8 (2007) 2485



Bacterial Cellulose



Klemm, et al., Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2011, 50, 5438 – 5466



http://microbialcellulose.blogspot.com/2010/12/functional-and-green-end-of-life.html



BNC tube used as a long-segment vascular graft (5 cm) for the right carotid artery of a sheep (courtesy: Priv.-Doz. Dr. J. Wippermann, Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, University Hospital, Cologne, Germany).

Nanopaper vs. Paper



Nogi, et al. Adv. Mater. 2009, 20, 1–4



Klemm, et al., Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2011, 50, 5438 – 5466

Pilot plant at Inventia in Sweden



http://www.innventia.com/en/Our-Ways-of-Working/Demonstration-and-pilot/Pilot-plant-for-nanocellulose/

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Wood



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http://www.industreecrafts.org/Natural%20fibres%20-%20Sisal.htm

Chem. Rev. 110 (2010) 3479



J. Nanosci Nanotech 6 (2006) 322

0.5 µm

Sea squirts (tunicates)

http://www.wascuba.org/tunicates/styelaclava.htm

http://www.animalpicturesarchive.com/list.php?gry=styela%20clava





Cellulose microfibrils = assemblies of cellulose nanofibrils



Rowland SP, Roberts EJ. Journal of Polymer Science, Part A-1: Polymer Chemistry 1972;10:2447

CELLULOSE NANOCRYSTAL PRODUCTION





TEM image of CNC





Agglomeration

Single strand

Cellulose nanocrystal size and geometry depends upon source

Source	Length	Cross section	Aspect ratio
Tunicate	100 nm – microns	10-20 nm	5 to > 100 (high)
Algal (Valonia)	> 1000 nm	10 to 20 nm	50 to > 10 nm (high)
Bacterial	100 nm – microns	5-10 x 30-50 nm	2 to > 100 (medium)
Cotton	200-350 nm	5 nm	20 to 70 (low)
Wood	100–300 nm	3 – 5 nm	20 to 50 (low)

Cellulose nanocrystals have a high surface area m²/g

E-glass fibers*	~1
Paper fibers	4
Graphite	25-300
Fumed silica	100-400
Fully exfoliated clay	~ 500
Cellulose nanocrystals**	250-500
Carbon nanotubes***	~ 100 - ?

*http://www.jm.com/engineered_products/filtration/products/microfiber.pdf ** Winter, W. presentation at ACS meeting, San Diego, March 2005 ***http://www.ipme.ru/e-journals/RAMS/no_5503/staszczuk/staszczuk.pdf.

Stronger than steel, Stiffer than aluminum

Material	Tensile strength GPa	Modulus GPa
Cellulose crystal	7.5 ¹ (~3)	145 ²
Glass fiber	4.8	86
Aluminum wire	0.62	73
Steel ³	0.54	200
Graphite whisker	21	410
Carbon nanotubes ⁴	11-63	270-970

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Transmission electron Microscope (TEM) image of cellulose nanocrystal aerogel

Images courtesy of Anahita Pakzad, grad student in Iab of Reza Shahbazian Yassar, Michigan Technological University



Cellulose Nanocrystal Aerogel

- High porosity
 200-600 m²/g
- Low density
 ~0.05 g/cm³
- Low thermal conductivity

SEM image courtesy of Bruce Arey, Pacific Northwest National Labs, Richland, WA



R. J. Moon, A. Martini, J. Nairn, J. Simonsen, and J. Youngblood, Chem. Soc. Rev. 40, 3941 (2011)

Aerogel fabrication



CNC aerogels

Blue in reflected light Red in transmitted light





Rayleigh scattering

 $\begin{array}{l} x = scattering \ parameter \\ r = characteristic \ dimension = \ (volume)^{1/3} \\ \lambda = wavelength \ of \ light \end{array}$

x << 1

TEM Tomography of CNC aerogel coated with Al₂O₃ by ALD



TEM images by Peter Eschback, and Teresa Sawyer, OSU

Focused ion beam sliced the coated aerogel Both CNC and Al_2O_3 are observed





http://www.melodea.eu/Bio-based.aspx

Environmental Health and Safety of nanocellulose

Iterative Process to Gain Knowledge



Slide courtesy of Dr. Stacy Harper, OSU

CNCs are not toxic







COMMERCIALIZATION OF NANOCELLULOSES

CNC:

- Canada
 - CelluForce, 1 ton/day, \$41 million manufacturing facility
 - Blue Goose Biorefineries
 - Nanocrystals, nanofibers
- Germany
 - Nanocrystal production (Melodea, two years)

COMMERCIALIZATION OF NANOCELLULOSES

CNF:

- Finland
 - Manufacturing planned for Nokia cell phone cases
- Sweden
 - Manufacturing facility for paper additives
- Japan
 - Pilot plant for TEMPO cellulose nanofibers
 - Biorefinery pilot plant (Hiroshima)
- Switzerland, US
 - Manufacture of bacterial cellulose biomedical products
- USA
 - Announcement expected soon

RECENT EXPERIMENTS

Poly(vinylidene fluoride)-cohexafluoropropylene (PVDFHFP) copolymer nanocomposites with cellulose nanocrystals

Jeremiah Kelley, Jie Ding, John Nairn, John Simonsen (Mike Lerner)

Oregon State University

PVDFHFP

- A copolymer of poly(vinylidene fluoride) (PVDF)
- Introduction of HFP units decreases crystallinity



AFM Images of cellulose nanocrystals



Average diameter (d) = 9 (3) nm, length (l) = 189 (40) nm, and $l/d (\rho) = 23 (8)$
TENSILE TESTING

Tensile Testing

- Instron tensile testing machine
- Dogbone samples
 - 0.05 mm x 30 mm x 15 mm for PVDFHFP composites
 - 5 mm/min extension rate
 - Toughness = work to fracture (T)

T = $\int \sigma d\epsilon$, where σ is stress and ε is strain

PVDFHFP/CNC composites



Typical Tensile stress strain curves



Large modulus increase with CNC content



Tensile Strength (TS) increases with CNC content



Strain to Break shows embrittlement at high CNC content





Work to Fracture peaks early

The Nairn model of Composite modulus



Thermal Analysis

 Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) scan over a temperature range of 30 °C to 160 °C using a scan rate of 10 °C/min and ~5 mg samples

$$-\%$$
 crystallinity (%X_c) calculated

%
$$X_c = (W_m^* \Delta H_{m,0})^{-1} \Delta H_m^* 100$$

 $\Delta H_{m,0}$ = melting enthalpy of crystalline PVDFHFP (104 J/g) W_m = weight fraction of matrix

% Matrix Crystallinity decreases with CNC content 22.5 20 17.5 2 2 12.5 10 7.5 10 15 5 20 0 %S.CNC wt/wt

Conclusions Modulus, strength and work to fracture can all be improved

 Further investigation into antinucleation effect warranted

 How do we explain the compatibility of CNCs with this polymer?

Intracortical microelectrodes

Bio-inspired switchable nanocomposite for intracortical microelectrodes

Christoph Weder's research group, Case Western Reserve



Troyk, P., et al. "A Model for Intracortical Visual Prosthesis Research." <u>Artificial Organs</u> 27.11 (2003): 1005-15)

Sea cucumber-inspired nanocomposite





Capadona, et al. Science 319, 1370 (2008)

Immersed in artificial cerebrospinal fluid



Capadona, et al. Science 319, 1370 (2008)

Questions?