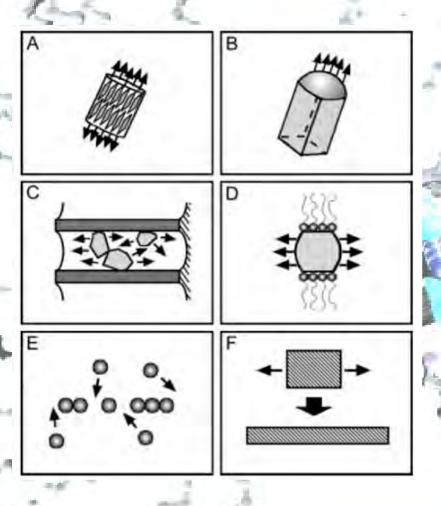


NANOWIRE MOTIVATION

- QUANTUM AND SPATIAL CONFINEMENT
- Nano Electronics transistors, diodes, interconnects, circuits
- Nano Optics LEDs, Lasers, plasmonics, waveguides, circuits
- Nano OptoElectronics solar cells, photodetectors
- Nano Sensors biological diagnostics, pathogen detection
- Nano Memory phase change, N-NM
- Nano Mechanics UHF 100 MHz oscillators, yg 10⁻²⁴ g mass monitors
- Nano Thermoelectrics solid state refrigeration, power generation

NANOWIRE GROWTH



- Anisotropic
- · VLS
- Template directed
- Ligand controlled
- Oriented attachment
- Size reduction

Choosing a Nanomaterial

Nanotoxicology???

- Pepto-Bismol® is an over-thecounter drug produced by the Procter and Gamble company in the United States of America and in Canada to treat minor digestive system upset.
- Its active ingredient is Bismuth Salicylate, which is also responsible for its distinctive pink color.



SYNTHESIS OF Bi₂S₃ NANOWIRES

	Bi ₂ S ₃ nanowires
precursors	Bi citrate + S
ligands & solvents	oleylamine or oleylamine + oleic acid
Tinjection	130-200°C
Tgrowth	100°C
time	1-30 min
precursor ratio	0.2



SERENDIPITY STRIKES

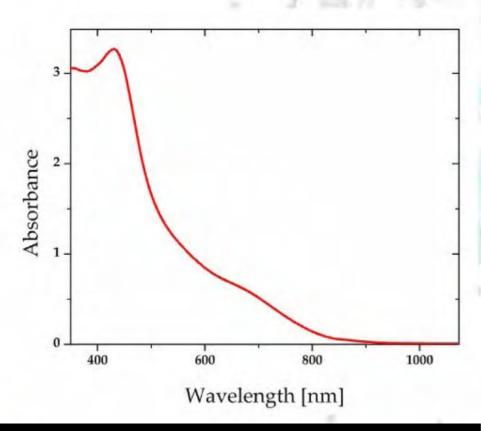
Bi₂S₃

size = ~1.6-2.0 nm

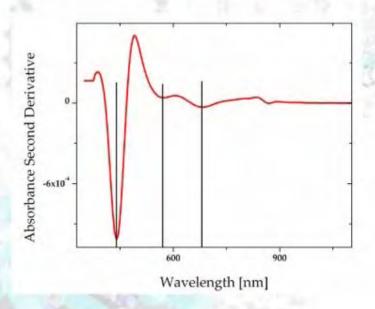
SYNTHESIS OF ULTRATHIN Bi2S3 NANOWIRES

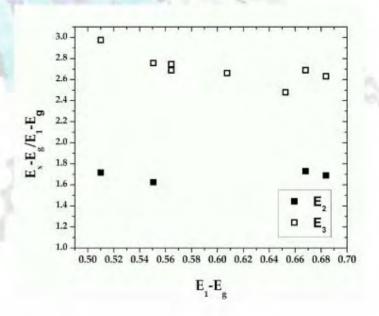




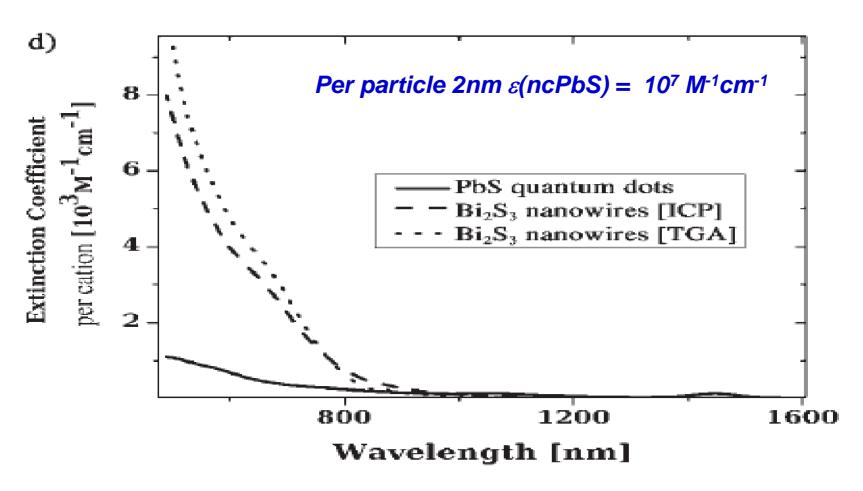


Quantum confinement was demonstrated by Normalized Confinement Energy analysis



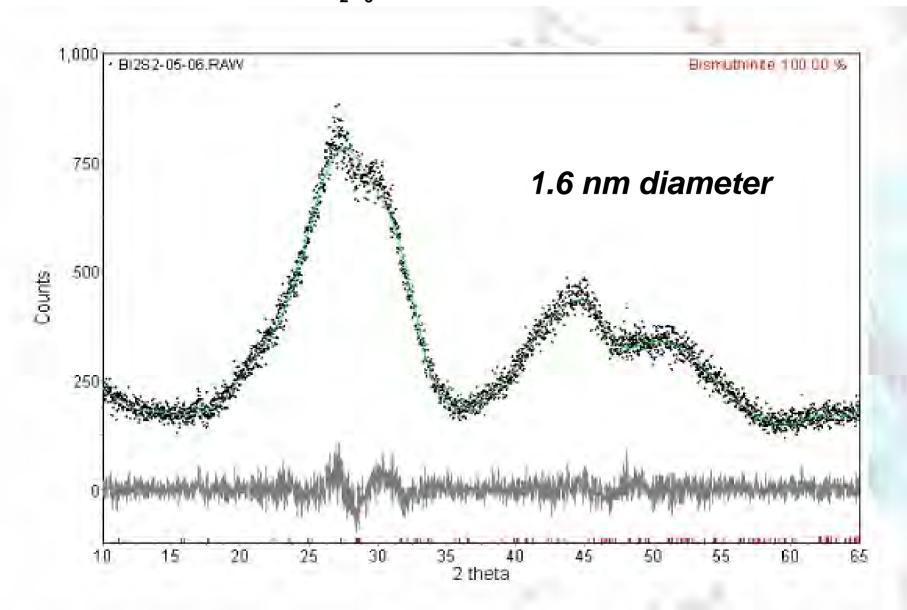


EXTINCTION COEFFICIENT



per cation extinction coefficients of PbS quantum dots and Bi₂S₃ nanowires measured by ICP and TGA

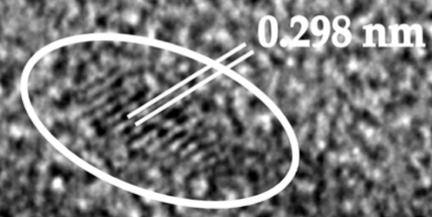
RIETVELD PXRD FULL PROFILE STRUCTURE REFINEMENT OF ULTRATHIN Bi₂S₃ NANOCRYSTAL NANOWIRES



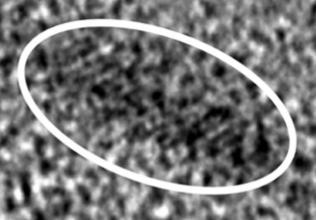
AN INTERESTING YET CHALLENGING PROBLEM

AS-SYNTHESIZED Bi₂S₃ ULTRA-THINS
CONTINUOUS OR NECKLACE NANOWIRES???

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SEEING THE
NANOCRYSTALS
IN Bi₂S₃
NANOWIRES



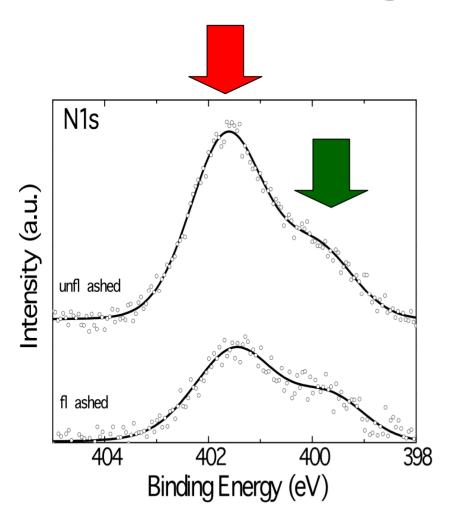
10 nm

¹H NMR - Ligand Capping

- HDA exchanged nanowires
- Large ¹H NMR downfield shift of α and β hydrogen's
- Indicating a strong ligand-nanowire surface interaction
- ¹H NMR peaks are sharp
- Indicating rotational freedom of carbon chain
- Likely results from imperfect packing of Hall alkylamine chains



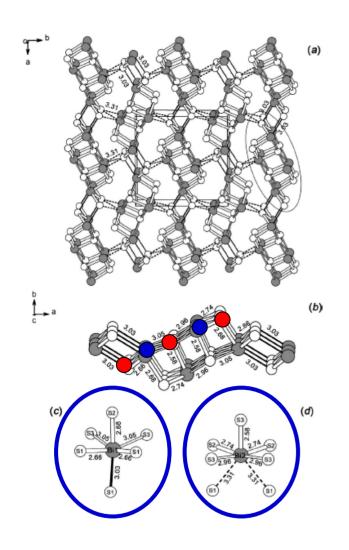
XPS – Ligand Capping



Alkylamines found at 399.5 eV and protonated alkylammonium at 401.5 eV

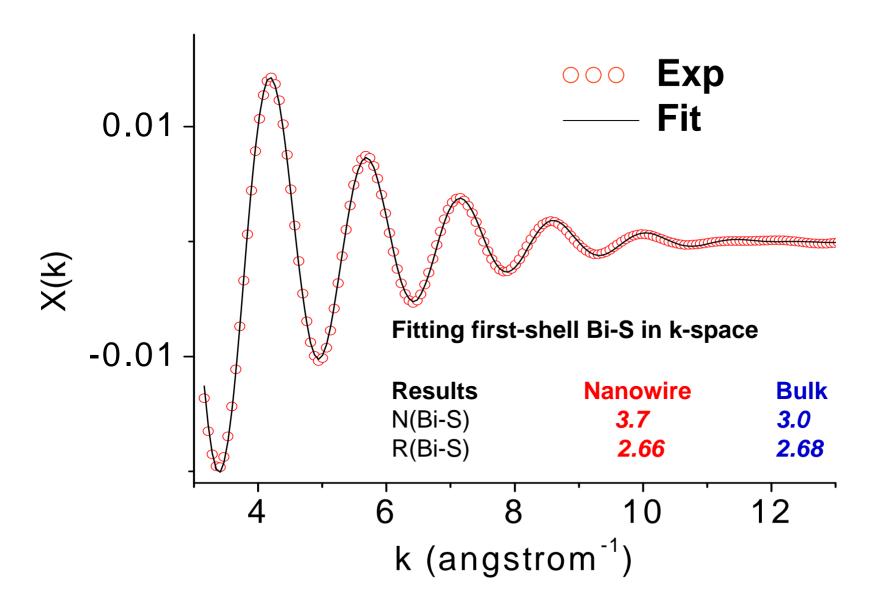
N1s spectrum shows peak at 401.5 eV corresponding to Bi-N bond and shoulder at 399.5 eV to free or weakly bound oleylamine

SCXRD Bi₂S₃

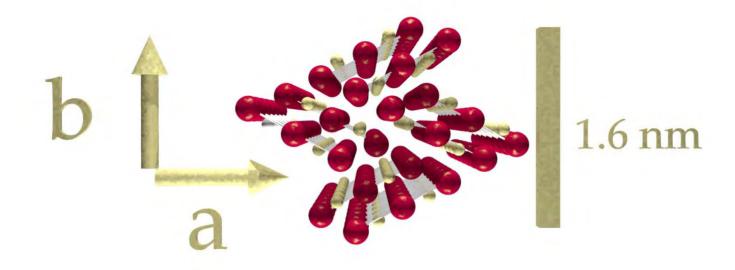


- Ribbon structure
- Chains along 001
- Two Bi(III) crystal sites
- Short Bi-S 2.58-2.78 Å
- Long Bi-S 3.03-3.31 Å
- First BiS coordination shell
- N = 3
- R = 2.68 Å

EXAFS: Bi-S Local Structure

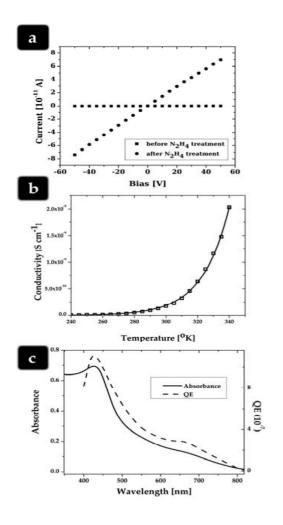


1.6 nm Diameter Nanowires!!!

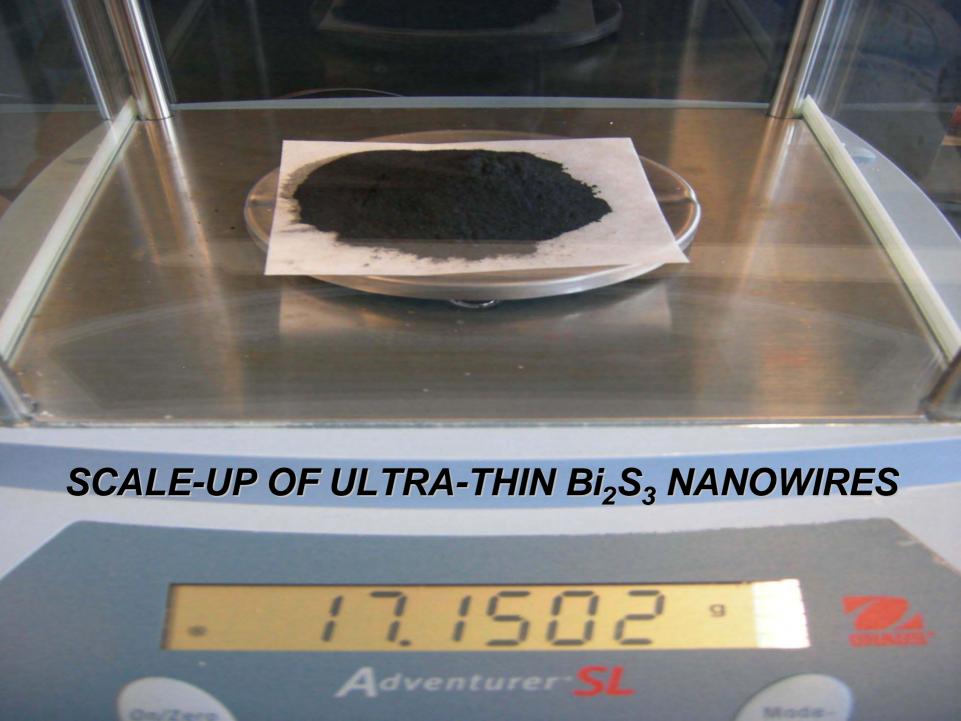


- Proposed structure for the Bi₂S₃ nanowires
- Yellow are the Bi atoms, red are the S atom
- Size driven reconstruction
- More than half the bismuths reside at the nanowire surface!!!

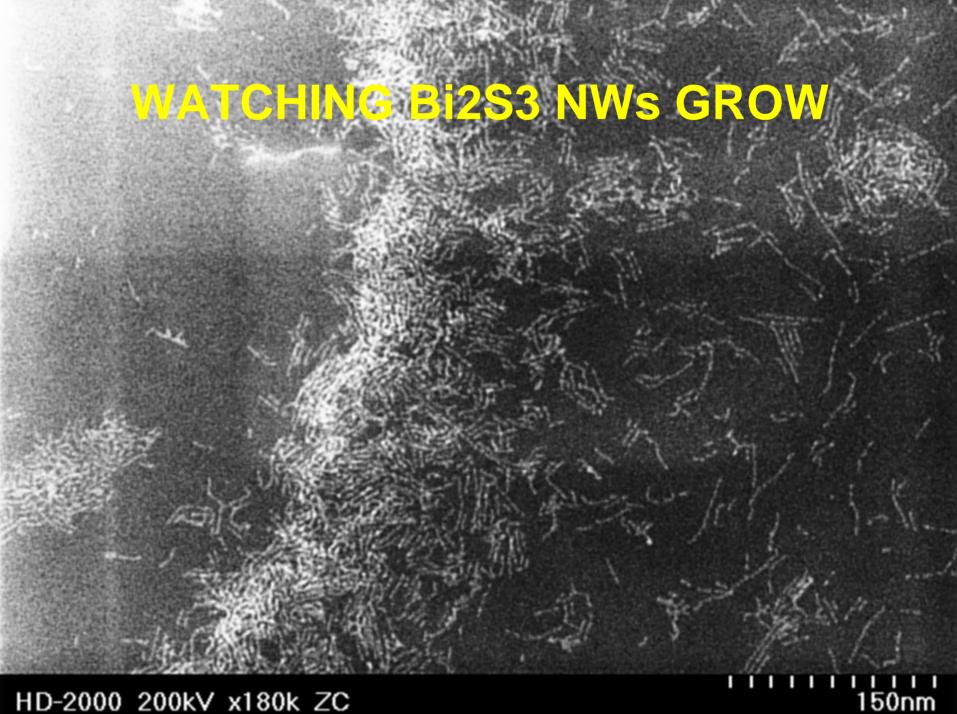
ELECTRICAL, OPTICAL AND PHOTOCONDUCTIVITY OF ULTRATHIN NANOWIRES



- a) two probe IV curves of alkylamine capped Bi₂S₃ nanowire films with Al contacts before and after hydrazine treatment
- a) increase of 3 orders of magnitude in the conductivity is due to the reduction of the distance between the wires caused by the exchange of the original long chain capping amine ligand with short hydrazine molecules
- b) temperature dependence of conductivity showing semiconductor behavior
- c) spectral response of photoconductivity (dashed line action spectrum) compared to absorbance spectrum (solid line)



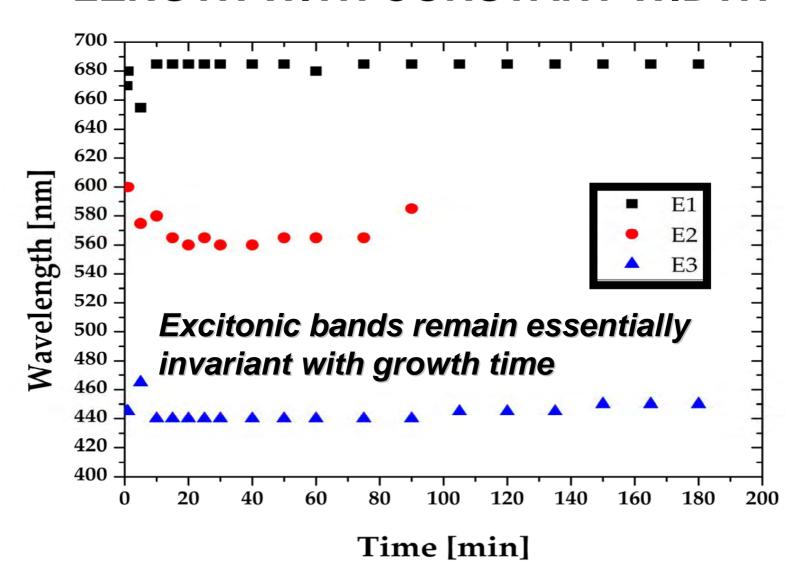
WATCHING Bi₂S₃ NWs GROW



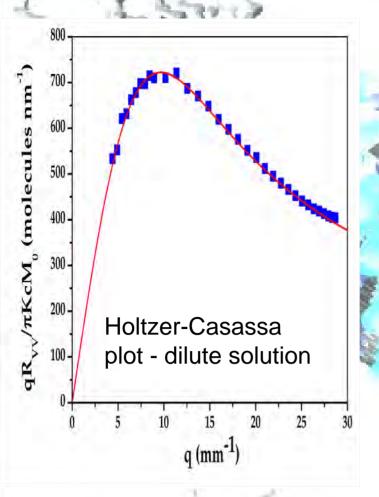
WATCHING BI2S3 NWs GROW



Bi₂S₃ NW GROWTH – INCREASING LENGTH WITH CONSTANT WIDTH

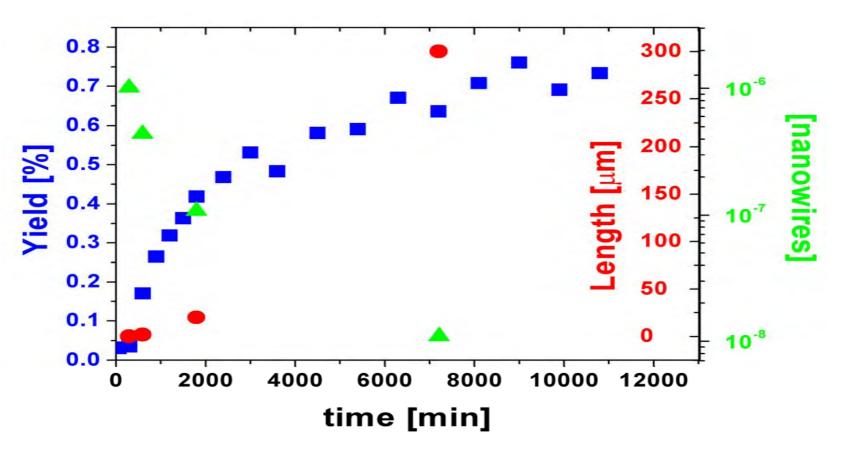


DLS: EMERGENT POLYMER-LIKE BEHAVIOR IN INORGANIC NANOWIRES



- Kojyiama worm-like chain (continuously flexible smoothly curved isotropic rod)
- Weight average M_w = 2.2x10⁸ g/mol
- Contour (extended) chain length 3.5 μm
- Persistence length (polymer segments behaving like flexible elastic rod) 80 nm
- Nanowire contains ~ 45 segments
- Linear aggregation number 123 Bi₂S₃ units per nm of nanowires
- Radius of gyration (dimension of polymer chain)
 Rg = 152 nm

How do ultrathin nanowires grow?



From yield at 2h growth each ml of solution contains ~2 million kilometers of ultrathin nanowires - moon and back 2.5 times

The decreasing number of nanowires comes from yield based total length divided by length obtained by DLS

Preliminary kinetic model for exploring nanowire growth

Assumptions:

- Induction period t₀ before growth time t_g
- 2. N₀ nanowires at t₀ and N_g at t_g
- 3. Addition of Bi happens at the tips of nanowires
- Grow with constant cross-sectional surface area A
- 5. Aggregation happens exclusively at nanowire tips
- Branching not observed

Kinetic Model

Growth kinetics

1)
$$\frac{dBi}{dt} = -k_{growth}A_{tot} = -2k_{growth}AN$$
 for t>t_q

Aggregation kinetics

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -k_{attachment} N^2 \qquad N(t_g) = N_g$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N_g}{1 + k_{attachment} N_g (t - t_g)}$$

Substitution of N(t) into growth equation leads to:

$$\frac{dBi}{dt} = -\frac{2k_{growth}AN_{g}}{1 + k_{attachment}N_{g}(t - t_{g})}$$

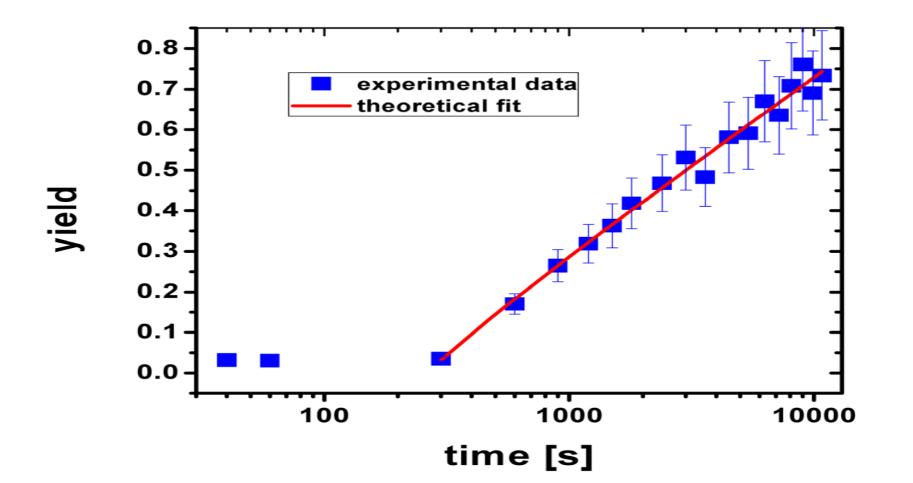
Bi corresponds to bismuth not in the nanowires

Integration leads to:

$$Bi_{g} - Bi = \frac{2k_{growth}A}{k_{attachment}} \ln(1 + k_{attachment}N_{g}(t - t_{g}))$$

• ... which, in terms of yield becomes

$$Y(t) - Y_g = \frac{Bi_g - Bi}{Bi_g} = 2\frac{k_{growth}A}{k_{attachment}Bi_g} \ln(1 + k_{attachment}N_g(t - t_g))$$



What about nanowire lengths...

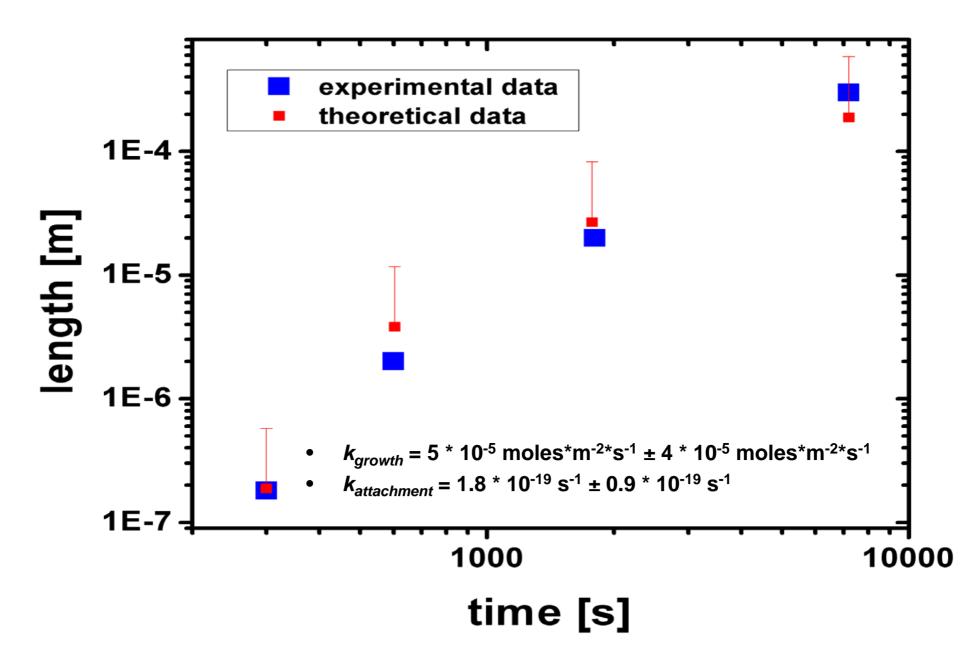
$$\frac{dL_{tot}}{dt} = \frac{v}{A} \frac{dBi}{dt}$$

 $L_{tot} = L(t)N(t)$

 $L_{tot,g} = L_g Ng$

$$L_{tot} - L_{tot,g} = -\frac{v}{A}(Bi - Bi_g) = \frac{vBi_g}{A}(Y - Y_g)$$

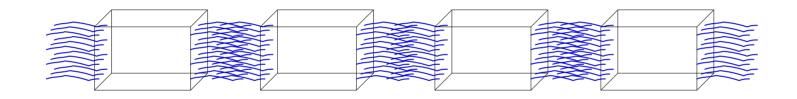
$$L(t) = \left(2\frac{vk_{growth}}{k_{attachment}N_g}\ln(1+k_{attachment}N_g(t-t_g)) + L_g\right)\left(1+k_{attachment}N_g(t-t_g)\right)$$



What did we learn from the kinetics of ultrathin nanowire nucleation and growth?

- nucleation followed by growth
- growth happens on ends with equal probability
- termination and fracture can be disregarded???
- attachment not strongly length dependent
- \triangleright nucleation can be disregarded after t_g

MECHANISM OF NANOWIRE GROWTH



Interdigitation driven oriented attachment ???

ULTRATHIN NANOWIRE OVERVIEW

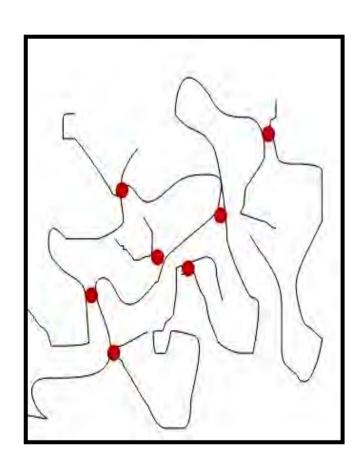
- Hot injection method works for synthesizing ultrathin nanowires
- Colloidal stability for months in solution after purification
- Proof-of-concept for scaling synthesis demonstrated
- Bulk and surface structure investigated
- Thermal properties delineated
- Evidence for quantum confinement, electrical and photoconductivity, and redox activity established
- Preliminary model for growth kinetics explored

POLYMER-LIKE ULTRATHIN NANOWIRES

WHAT IS NEXT?

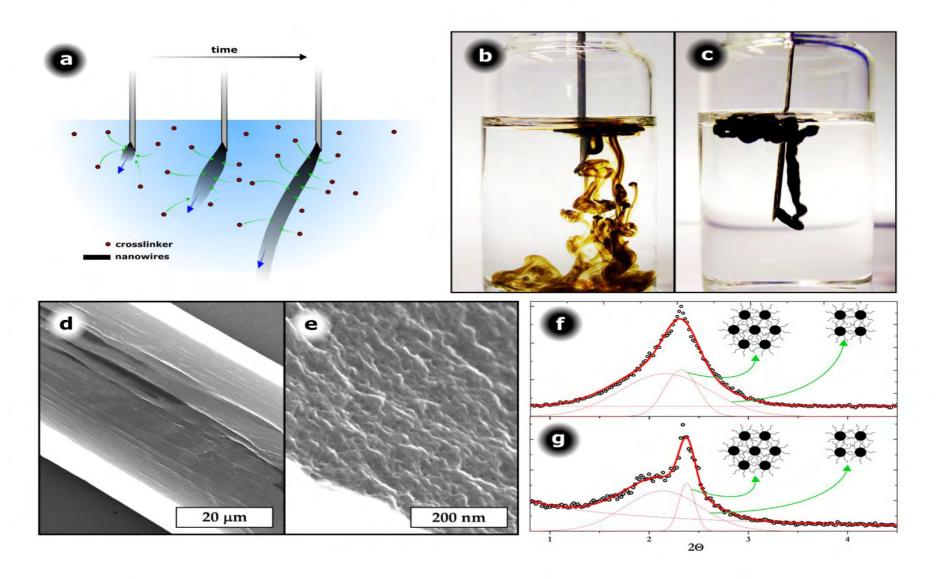
CROSSLINKING POLYMER-LIKE NANOWIRES

POLYMER GELS, FIBERS, MESHES

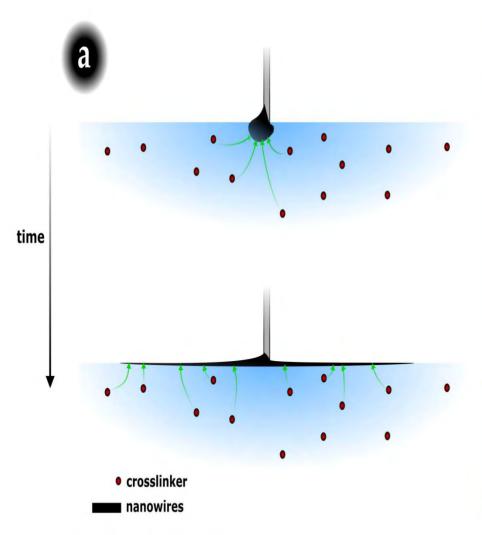


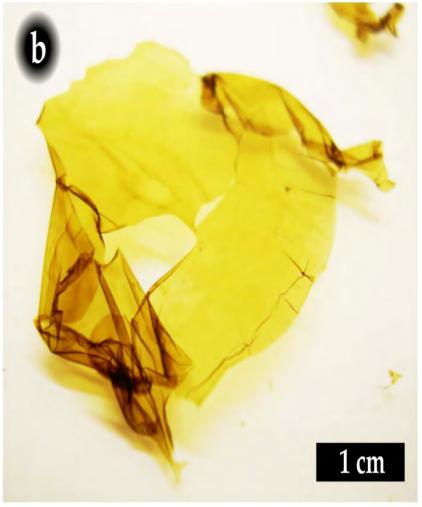
- As-synthesized nanowires monodentate OLA capping ligands
- OLA alkane chain interdigitation crosslinking
- Ligand replacement with poly-dentate amines
- Crosslinker control of nanowire network morphology and properties
- Insulating and conducting crosslinkers
- Short and long crosslinkers
- Rigid and non-rigid crosslinkers

ChemoSpinning Oriented Polymer-Like Nanowire Fibers

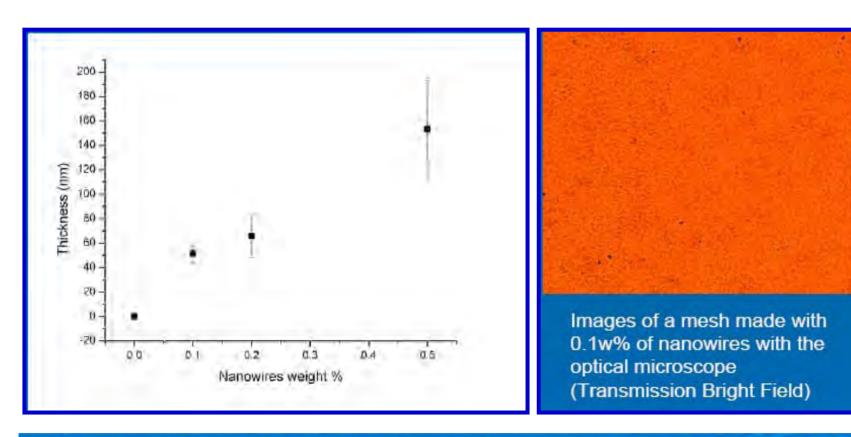


Interfacial Cross-linking of Polymer-Like Nanowire Meshes





Control of Mesh Thickness



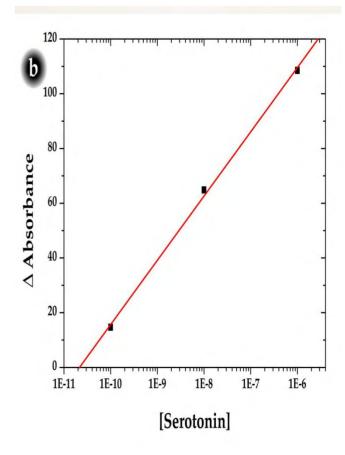
With different weight percentages of Bi₂S₃ nanowires in Toluene, it is possible to have smooth meshes with different thicknesses (using a solution of 5x10⁻⁷ of Ethylenediamine in THF).

Ultrahigh surface area controlled thickness nanowire meshes for sequestration of toxic heavy metals and organics pollutants

MAKING USE OF NANOWIRE CROSSLINKING

HIGH SENSITIVITY COLORIMETRIC DETECTION OF BIOLOGICALLY RELEVANT AMINES

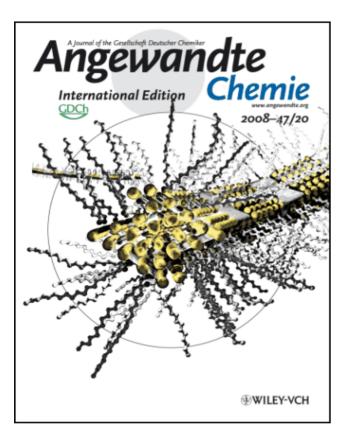




Serotonin 5-hydroxytryptamine a monoamine neurotransmitter synthesized in serotonergic neurons in the central nervous system

Easy to detect picomoles !!!

FUTURE OF POLYMER-LIKE INORGANIC NANOWIRES



- New nanocomposites with organic polymers, DNA, proteins, enzymes, fullerene, carbon nanotubes, quantum dots
- Electrically conducting chemically and physically driven swellableshrinkable gels
- Nanothermoelectrics high performance refrigeration and power generation
- Nanomedicine diagnostics, therapy and high contrast CT imaging
- Nanowire flash lithography





#2: Ultrathin Nanowires

dawn of a beginning of something new and exciting

materials chemistry and nanochemistry

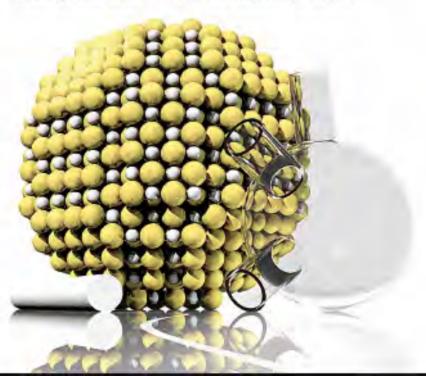
emerging fields that never tire of reinventing themselves !!!



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Concepts of Nanochemistry

With a Foreword by Jean-Marie Lehn



Following Ludo's Nose

What was that weird stuff Ludo discovered?

Thank you for the invitation and thank you for listening

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