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DOE's Flagship for the NNI Initiative is the Nanoscale Science Research Centers

- Operated as user facilities available to all researchers; access determined by external peer review of proposals
 - No cost for research published in the open literature
 - New user agreement for nanoscience for collaborative research
 - Proprietary access (internal peer review); full cost recovery required by DOE
- Co-located with existing user facilities
 - promote development of these tools for nanoscience and to provide extraordinary characterization and analysis capabilities
- Conceived with broad input from university and industry user communities
- Provide specialized equipment and support staff not readily available to the research community









- 4 Synchrotron Radiation Light Sources
- Linac Coherent Light Source (CD3 approved)
- 4 High-Flux Neutron Sources
- 4 Electron Beam Microcharacterization Centers
- Special Purpose Centers
- 5 Nanoscale Science Research Centers

CNMS Integrates Nanoscale Science with 3 Synergistic Research Needs

- Neutron Science
 - Opportunity for world leadership using unique capabilities of neutron scattering
- Synthesis Science
 - Science-driven synthesis: synthesis as enabler; evolution of synthesis via theory, modeling, and simulation
- Theory / Modeling / Simulation
 - Stimulate U.S. leadership in using theory, modeling and simulation to design new nanomaterials
 - Investigate new pathways for materials synthesis





Nanoscale Science Research Centers – Actual Photos



Center for Nanoscale Materials (Argonne National Laboratory)



Center for Nanophase Materials Sciences (Oak Ridge National Laboratory)



Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (Sandia & Los Alamos National Labs)

CNMS Scientific Themes

Macromolecular Complex Systems

Synthetic (polymeric) and bio-inspired materials

Functional Nanomaterials

Nano- tubes, wires, dots, composites; artificial oxide film structures

NanoPhysics: Magnetism, Transport, and Scanning Probes

Reduced and variable dimensionality; quantum transport

Catalysis and Nano-Building Blocks

Highly selective catalysts; nanoscale synthesis & organization

Nanomaterials Theory Institute: Theory, Modeling, Simulation

Grand challenges of "computational nanoscience"

Nanofabrication Research Laboratory and Bio-Inspired Nanomaterials

Controlled synthesis & directed assembly; functional integration of "soft" and "hard" materials

Nanoscale Structure and Dynamics

Neutrons, Electron, and X-ray Characterization Unique instruments to characterize and manipulate nanostructures; simultaneous imaging and environmental control



AFM images of Fe nanodots and nanowires on flat and stepped NaCl surfaces (edge length 750 nanometers)



Ordered nanoporous silica synthesized using an organic template

CNMS Project (\$65M) was Completed in August 2006

- Construction of an approximately 80,000 sq ft facility
 - 32 laboratories, both wet and dry
 - Laboratories were designed based on best practices for safety for nanoscale research
 - Approx. 10,000 sq ft Cleanroom
 - Office space for up to 190 people (core staff, visiting senior staff, postdocs, graduate students, and users)
 - Common space to promote interactions among all staff and users (CNMS and SNS)
- Initial suite of equipment was included in the line item
 - List based on input from the future user community and the CNMS Advisory Committee
- Building opened for research in the Fall 2005 Labs have come "on line" as equipment installation/lab set-up were completed
 - Laboratories have Research Safety Summaries, Laboratory Space Managers and Satellite Accumulation Areas and Hazardous Materials Inventory System control areas

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Each floor has similar layout: labs across from offices; central interaction space and conference rooms; additional interaction space on upper floor bridges

Ground Floor: Clean room and sensitive instrumentation, including microscopes and scanning probes



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CNMS Clean Room – Important for Directed Assembly and Materials Integration; Bay and Chase Design Allows for Future Flexibility



Nanofabrication Research Laboratory



Direct Write Electron Beam Lithography (DWEBL) System



sub-5 nm minimum spot sub-20 nm minimum line width 1 mm field

Scientific Driver: Nanofabrication

- Patterns of arbitrary shape and size
- Dimensions as small as 5 nm
- Fabricated on any flat substrate sensitive to electron irradiation, or coated with e-beam resist

Capabilities:

- 100 keV thermal field emission source
- Substrate handling capabilities for small pieces, membrane structures, and whole substrates up to 8–inch diameter
- Laser interferometer with sub–nanometer resolution to permit highly accurate mechanical positioning
- Substrate-height sensor to permit dynamic corrections to the beam focus







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Focused Ion Beam (FIB) / Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) (Dual–Beam System)



FEI Nova 600 Nanolab

• Scientific Drivers

 Materials can be patterned using the FIB, or synthesized specimens can be thinned to highlight specific regions of interest, and immediately imaged with high resolution using the SEM

• Capabilities

- Electron columns operate simultaneously to permit sample observation during FIB processing
- Substrates may range from small pieces up to 50mm
- Can be equipped with a TEM sample-preparation stage to permit simple interfacing between this instrument and other microscopy tools

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Key Characterization Equipment



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UHV Scanning Probes



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Magnetic Characterization



primary

Scanning Electron Microscopy with Spin Polarization (SEMPA)

Scientific Drivers

Direct imaging of magnetic domains **

detector 🐟

- Spin switching and spin dynamics in a field
- **Correlation between chemical and magnetic** ** inhomogeneities

- **Capabilities *** Scanning Electron Microscopy 300 mT in-plane magnetic field 50-1000 K
 - **Scanning Auger Microscopy** ** Map the chemical composition



Transport and Manipulation



4 probe STM with SEM/SAM

Scientific Drivers

- * Nanoscale electrical transport as a function of temperature
- Nanofabrication and manipulation
- **Elemental identification**





Capabilities

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Four probe STM **Independent operation** In situ amplifiers for transport 10-300 K **Scanning Electron Microscopy** 7 nm resolution Accurate positioning of four tips **Electron beam induced current Scanning Auger Microscopy** Sample preparation **MBE** growth Sputtering, cleaving



Functional Nanomaterials: Laser-based Synthesis and Characterization



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Nanocatalysis: Synthesis and Catalytic Characterization

Synthesis capabilities



Atomic layer deposition

Characterization resources: instruments for volumetric gas adsorption, temperature programmed reaction, and dynamic FTIR spectroscopy



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Macromolecular: Synthesis and Characterization



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Unique Deuteration Capabilities Available

- Two NSF Workshops (2003) recommended deuteration facilities convenient to the beam line
- CNMS provides synthetic staff trained in organic and polymer synthesis (Bonnesen, Hong) for preparation of well defined deuterated small molecules, monomers, and polymers



Results of SANS studies using CNMS polymers published in Macromolecules (2006)
First neutron reflectivity experiments at SNS performed recently using CNMS polymers

Computation and Visualization

- CNMS 80-dual processor node Beowulf Cluster
 - 4 GB RAM per node;
 - gigabit interconnects;
 - 1.1 teraflop
- Photon visualization cluster
 - 17-nodes, each with
 - 4x Opteron (dual dualcore)
 - 4GB RAM
 - NVIDIA 7800 GT graphics cards
 - 10TB total storage
- 30 million pixel display wall
 - 4×4 LCD panels
 - Each at 1600x1200

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CNMS has Synergistic Relationships with other ORNL Capabilities

- Neutron Scattering
 - High Flux Isotope Reactor Center for Neutron Scattering
 - Spallation Neutron Source
 - Joint Institute for Neutron Scattering (future)
- Computational Resources
 - National Center for Computational Sciences (OASCR)
- Electron Microscopy
 - Shared Research Equipment (SHaRE) User Program
 - High Temperature Materials Laboratory (EERE)
- Shared and Affiliated resources with ORNL's BES Materials and Chemical Sciences Programs
- Integrated Proposal under development for ORNL's BES User Facilities
- Key component of ORNL capabilities for nanoapplications/nanomanufacturing



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Neutron User Facilities at ORNL



Spallation Neutron Source:

The world's most intense neutron source

Suite of leading-edge instruments

High Flux Isotope Reactor:

High-power (~85 MW) reactor source

Cold neutrons for nanoscale structures, including biology







Schedule for Funded Instruments



CNMS Contributions to Nanoscale Applications



- CNMS and basic research programs (DOE SC)
- Applied research and development (DOE EERE, FE, NE; DoD, NIH, WFO)
- Technology transfer and economic development (Capitalization and commercialization)

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Nano at Oak Ridge National Laboratory

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Develop

Delivel Technology Transfer & Economic Development

CNMS User Access Policy

- Open access based on scientific and technical quality
 - Well-defined access policies and procedures posted on Web site

• Flexibility to accommodate spectrum of user modes and needs

- General Users: Access to existing tools / support / collaboration
- Partner Users: Enhance CNMS capabilities
- Proprietary Users: Access at full cost recovery for sensitive research

• External, peer-review required for general and partner users

- Simple process for both proposers and reviewers
- Proposal Review Committee entirely external, structured with expertise to review proposals of multidisciplinary collaborations / teams
- Review guidelines and process described on CNMS Web site

• Internal ORNL peer-review for proprietary research

- Process parallels that for general/partner users
- Free of charge:
 - No fees if results published in open, peer-reviewed scientific journals
 - Full cost recovery charged for proprietary access

• Scheduling and speed

- Well-documented scheduling process, once proposal is accepted
- Web-published turn-around policy for proposal review & experimental access

CNMS SCIENTIFIC THEMES (GROUPS)

Macromolecular Complex Systems Phil Britt Jimmy Mays	Functional Nanomaterials Hans Christen Dave Geohegan	Nanophysics: Magnetism, Transport and Scanning Probes Ward Plummer John Wendelken Art Baddorf Jian Shen	Catalysis and Nano-Building Blocks Steve Overbury Sheng Dai Viviane Schwartz
Bio-Inspired Nanomaterials Mike Simpson Scott Retterer	Nanomaterials Theory Institute: Theory, Modeling, Simulation Peter Cummings Thomas Schulthess Malcolm Stocks (Sr. Advisor)	Nanoscale Structure and Dynamics: Neutrons, Electrons and X-rays Mike Simonson David Joy Takeshi Egami (Sr. Advisor)	Nanofabrication Research Laboratory (Cleanroom) Mike Simpson



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