

Nanotechnology in the life sciences

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Self-assembly of molecular structures

OUTLINE

- **General comments**
- **Self-assembled monolayers (SAMs)**
- **Self-assembly of macromolecular structures on surfaces**
- **Layer-by-layer deposition of polyions**
- **Stamping**
- **Self-assembly of diblock polymers**
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Applications

- **Catalysts**
- **Integrated circuits**
- **Data Storage**
- **Drug Delivery**
- **Sensors**
- **Medical Devices**
- **Biomaterials**
- **Nanoparticles**
- **Microfluidics**
- **Separation and purification**

Self-assembly can be influenced by

- **Interface**
- **Reaction**
- **Electric field**
- **Flow**
- **Temperature**
- **Solvent**
- **Ionic strength**
- **pH**

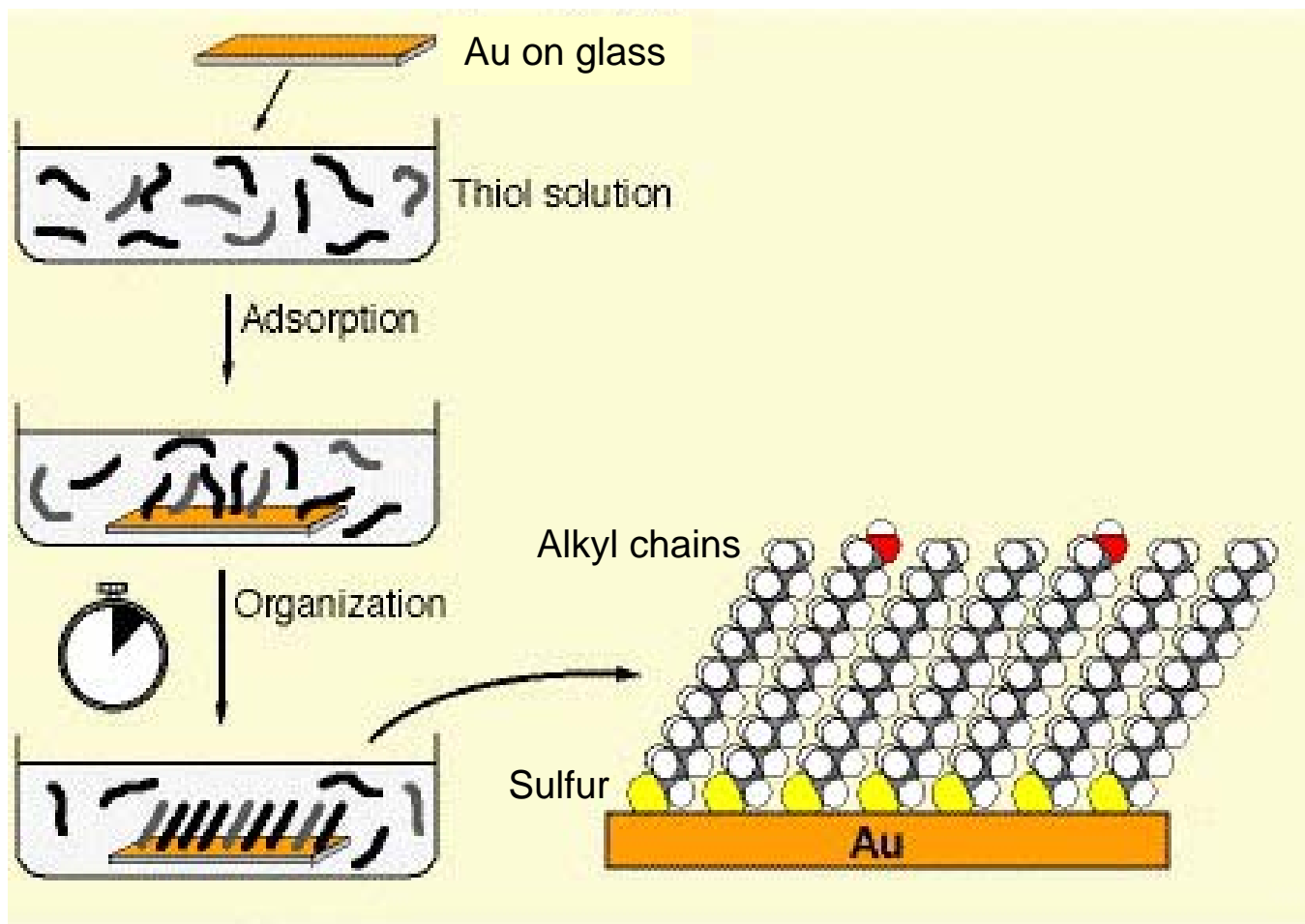
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Self-assembled monolayers

- **Thiols on metals (Whitesides)**
- **Silanes on oxides (Sagiv)**
- **Alkenes and alkynes on silicon hydride (Sudholter)**

Self-assembly of thiols on gold films



$\text{X} = -\text{CH}_3, -\text{OH}, -\text{COOH}, -\text{SO}_3^-, -\text{PO}_4\text{H}_2, \text{N}^+(\text{CH}_3)_3, -(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_n\text{OH}, \dots$

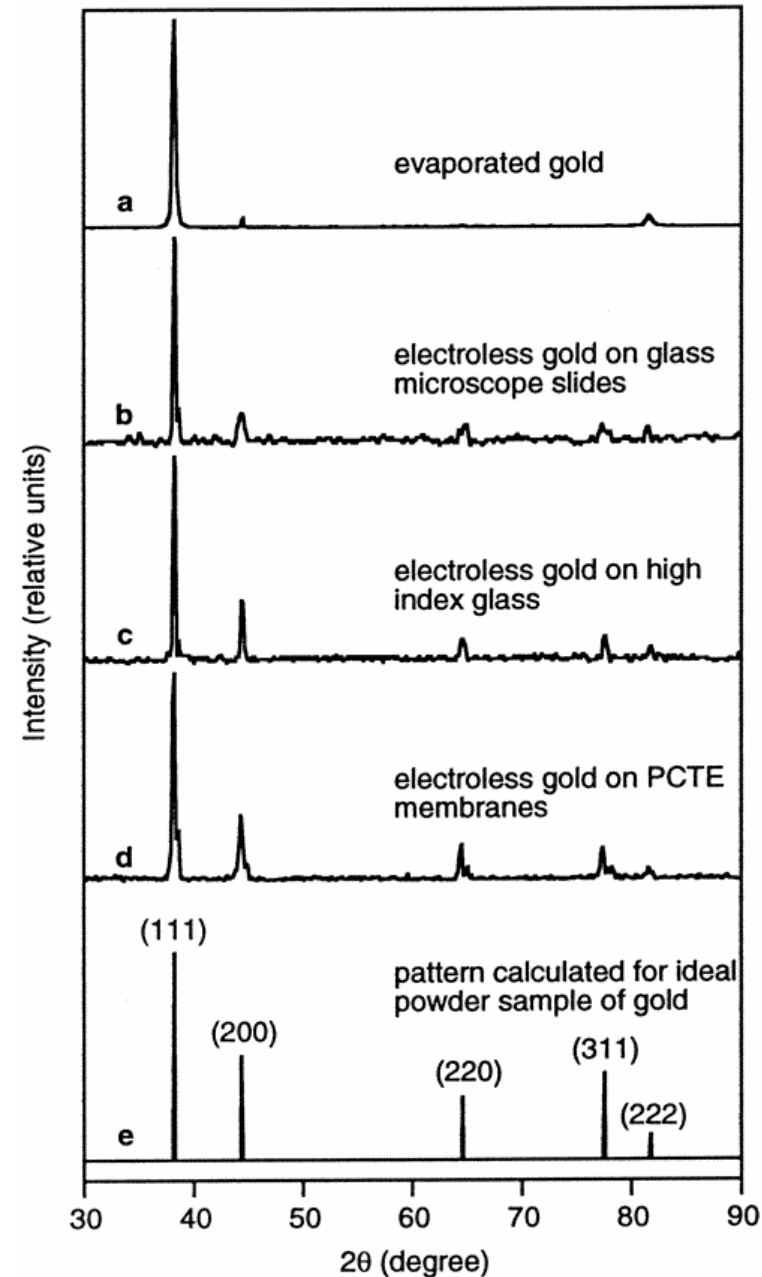
Gold is usually deposited by vacuum evaporation techniques.

Electroless gold is also of interest for complex geometries.

XRD data on gold: information on crystallographic planes

X-ray diffraction patterns of films of electroless gold and evaporated gold supported on a variety of substrates.

Hou, Stroeve et al., Langmuir 1998



IR data on alkane thiols on gold: orientation of molecules

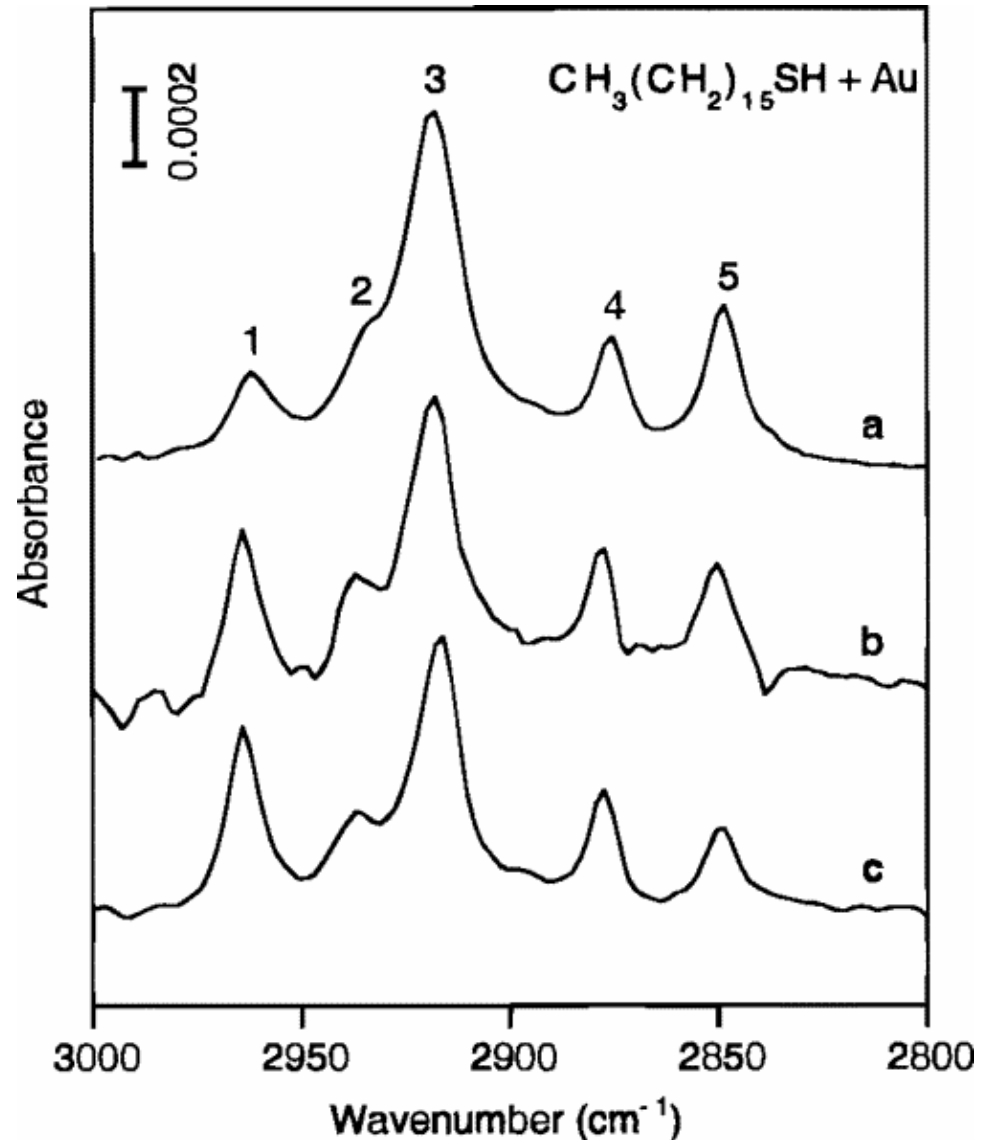
Grazing-angle infrared spectra
of SAMs formed from
 $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{15}\text{SH}$ on

(a) evaporated gold,

(b) electroless gold on glass
microscope slides, and

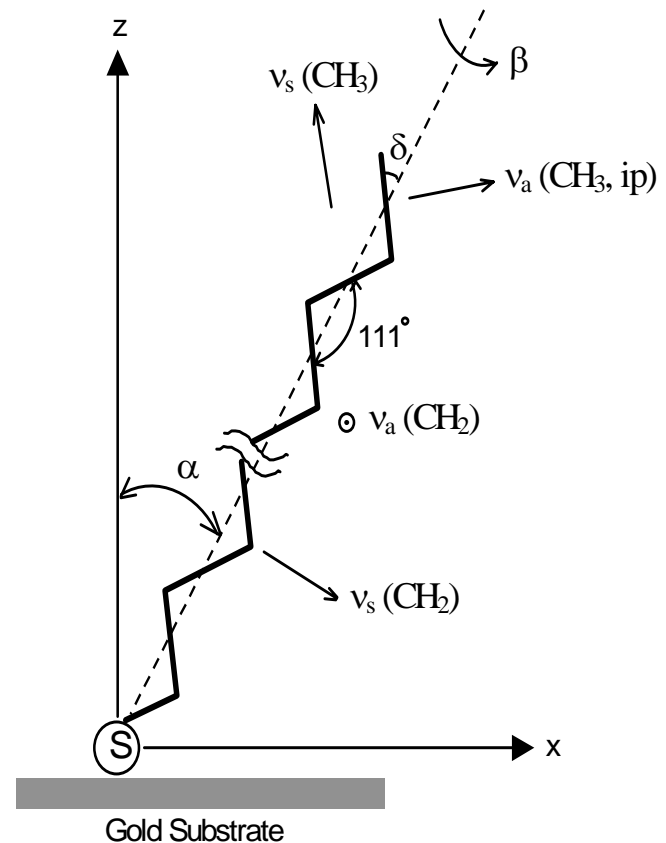
(c) electroless gold on high-
index glass.

Hou, Stroeve et al., Langmuir 1998



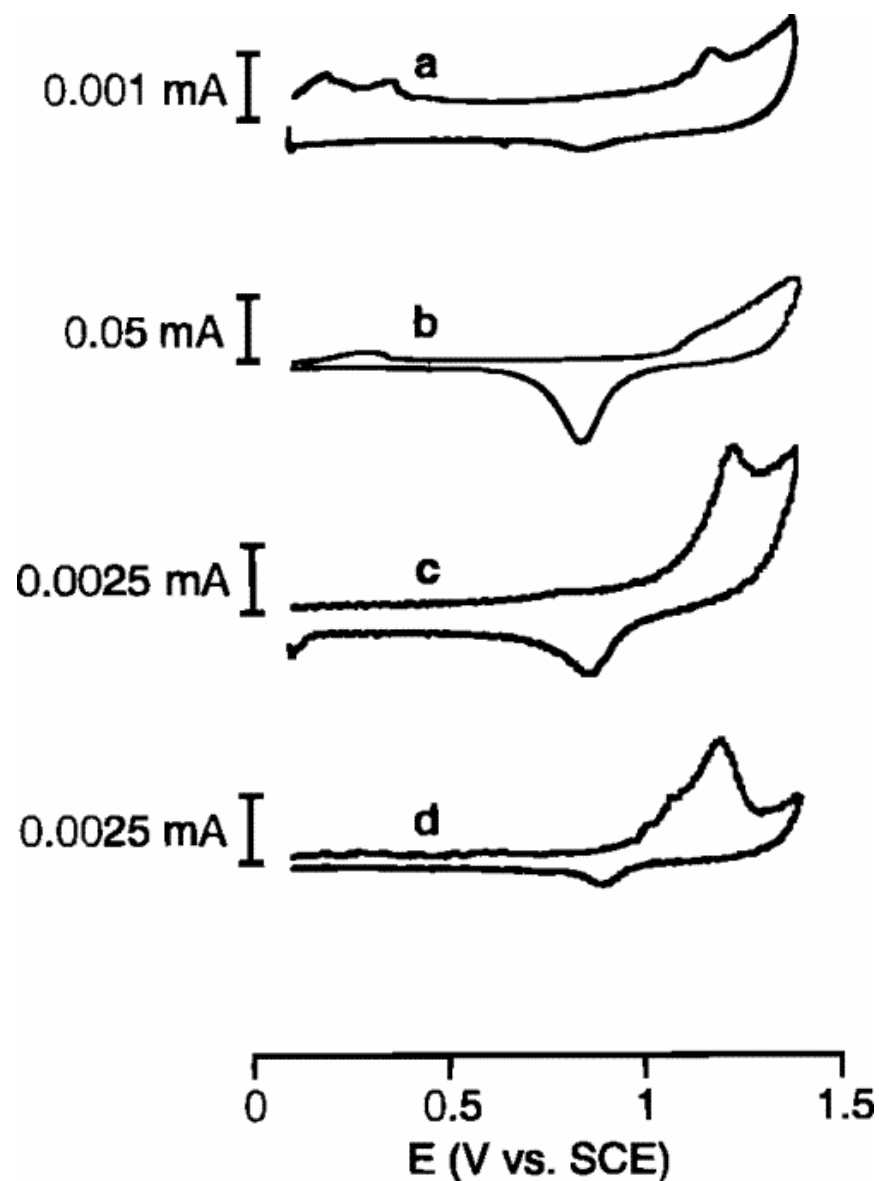
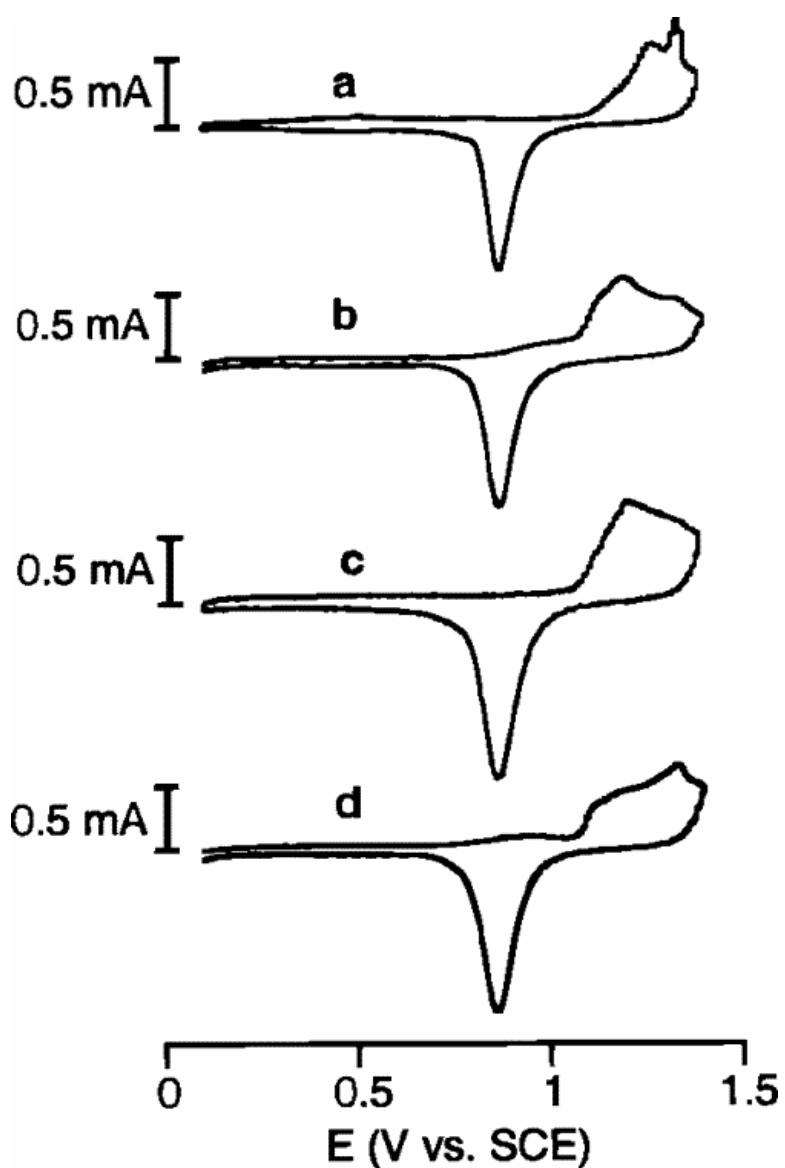
Thiol oriented with tilt angle alpha

Aliphatic chain within a SAM formed from an alkanethiol on a surface of gold. Directions of transition dipole moments corresponding to C–H stretching modes are shown. The projections of the transition dipole moments along the surface normal (z) are determined by the **tilt angle** (α) and **twist angle** (β) of the chain. In this diagram, $\alpha = 30^\circ$ and $\beta = 0^\circ$.



Cyclic voltammetry on gold and SAMs on gold in 0.1 M H₂SO₄:
(a) evaporated gold; (b) electroless gold on glass microscope slides;
(c) electroless gold on high index glass slides;

(d) electroless gold on PCTE membranes. Hou, Stroeve et al., Langmuir 1998.



SAMs on gold

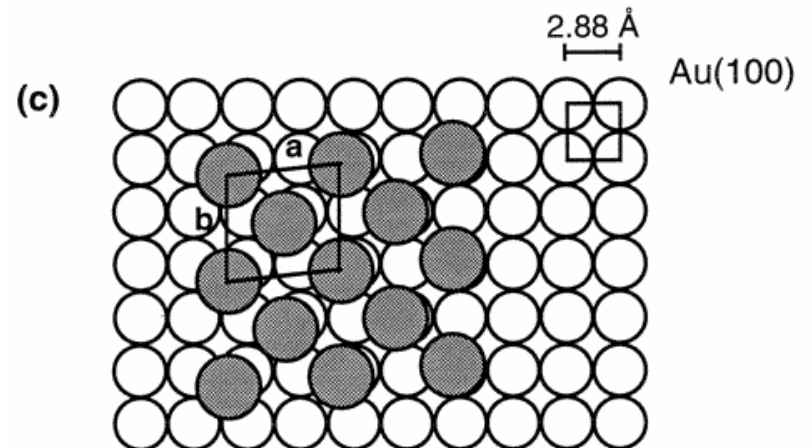
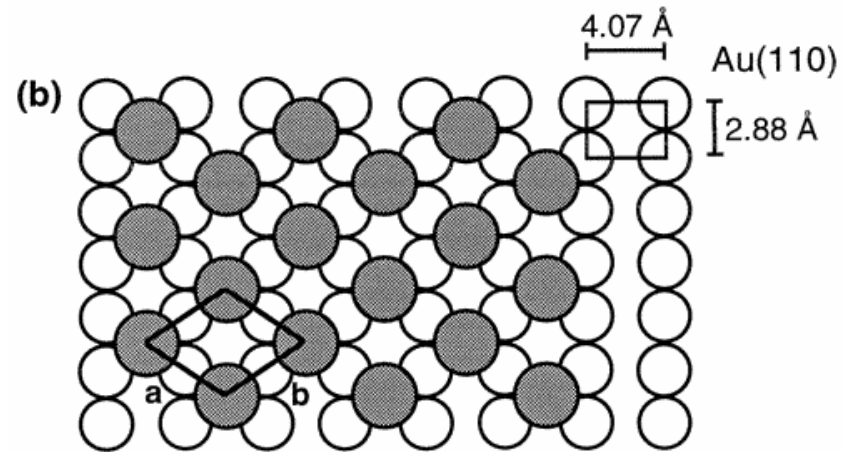
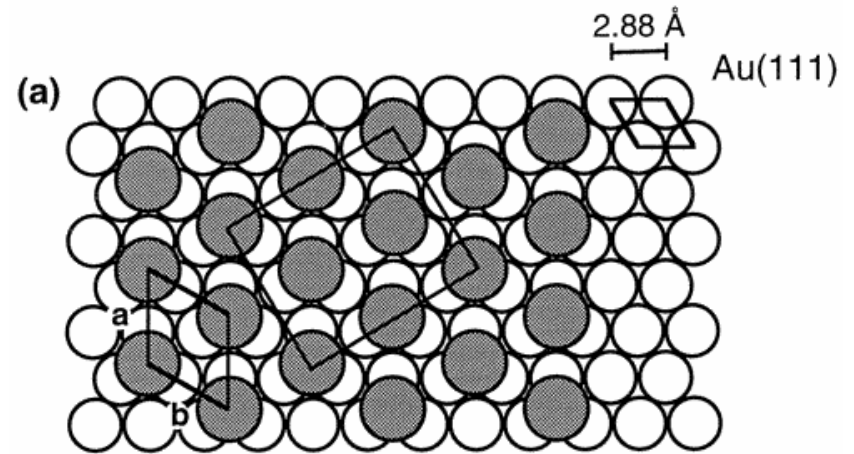
Alkanethiols on single crystals of gold. Open circles represent gold atoms, and shaded circles represent alkyl chains.

(a) Au(111). The smaller rhombus shows the Au(111) lattice. The larger rhombus shows a unit mesh with $a = b = 4.97 \text{ \AA}$ and $\alpha = 120$ (angle between a and b).

(b) Au(110). Also shown is a unit mesh with $a = b = 4.99 \text{ \AA}$ and $\alpha = 109.5$.

(c) Au(100). Also shown is an oblique mesh with $a = b = 5.97 \text{ \AA}$ and $\alpha = 95$.

Camillone et al, J. Chem. Phys., 1993. Hou, Stroeve et al., Langmuir 1998.



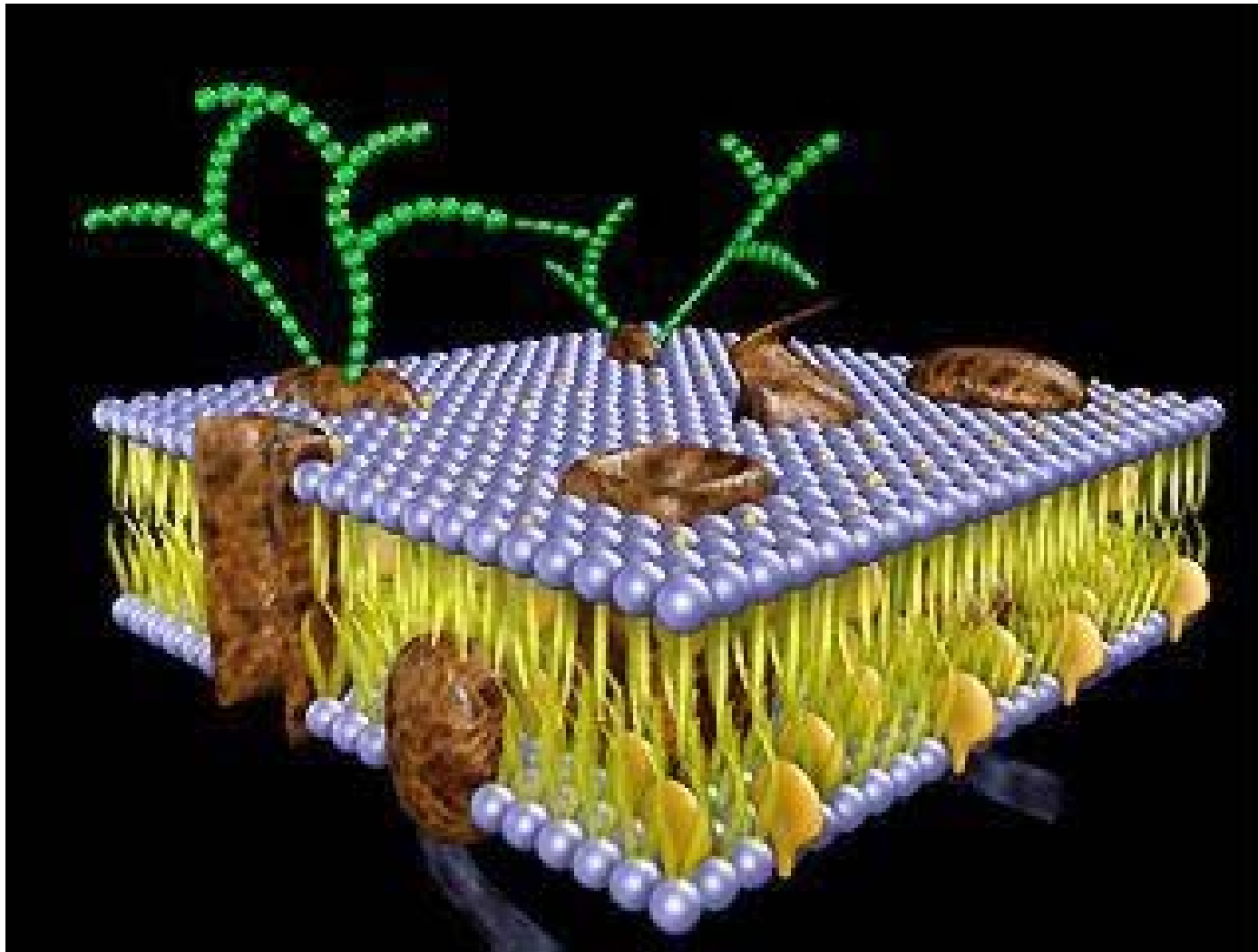
Self-assembled monolayers (SAMs) on gold

- Molecules are close-packed (if C_{10} or greater)
- Crystallographic surface of gold determines packing
- Large choice of functional groups
- Template for assembly of macromolecules

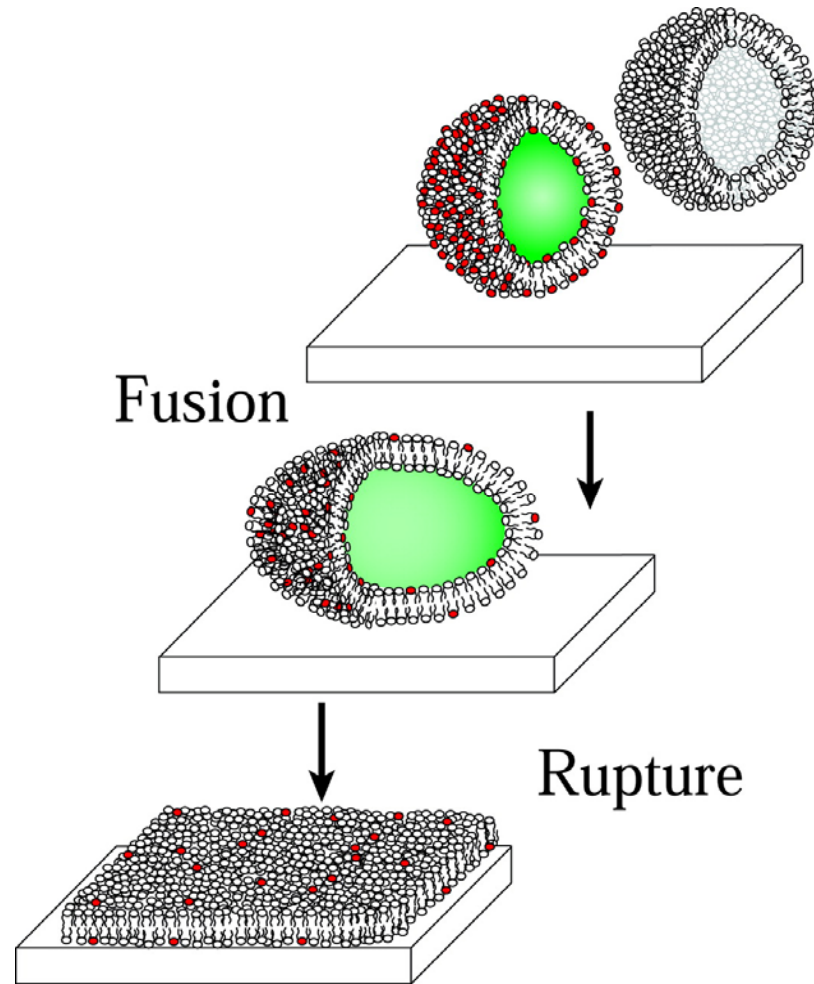
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Example: the cell membrane- a macromolecular assembly



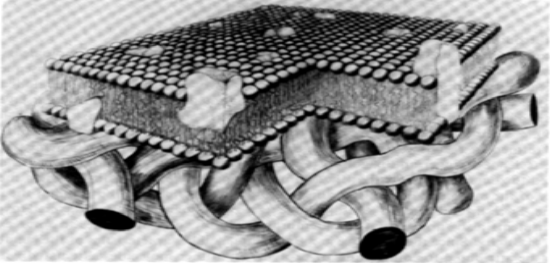
Supported lipid bilayers by vesicle fusion



*H.M. McConnell, S. Boxer,
E. Sackman*



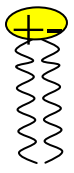
Lipid bilayer/peptide on SAM substrate \rightarrow biosensor



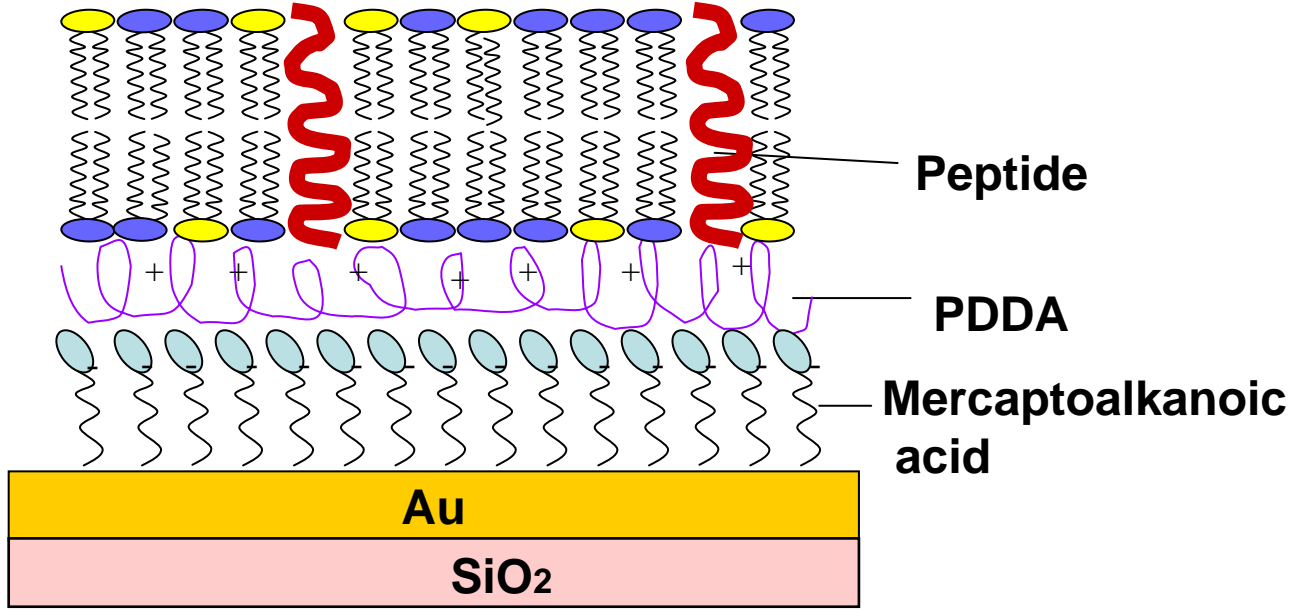
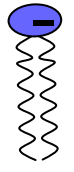
Red blood cell membrane

- Requirements (to mimic the real cell membrane):
- Stable planar bilayer
 - Fluid bilayer (lateral mobility)
 - Aqueous environments on both sides of bilayers
 - Preserve biological activity for molecules inserted
 - Sensing or screening proteins/peptides/ligands

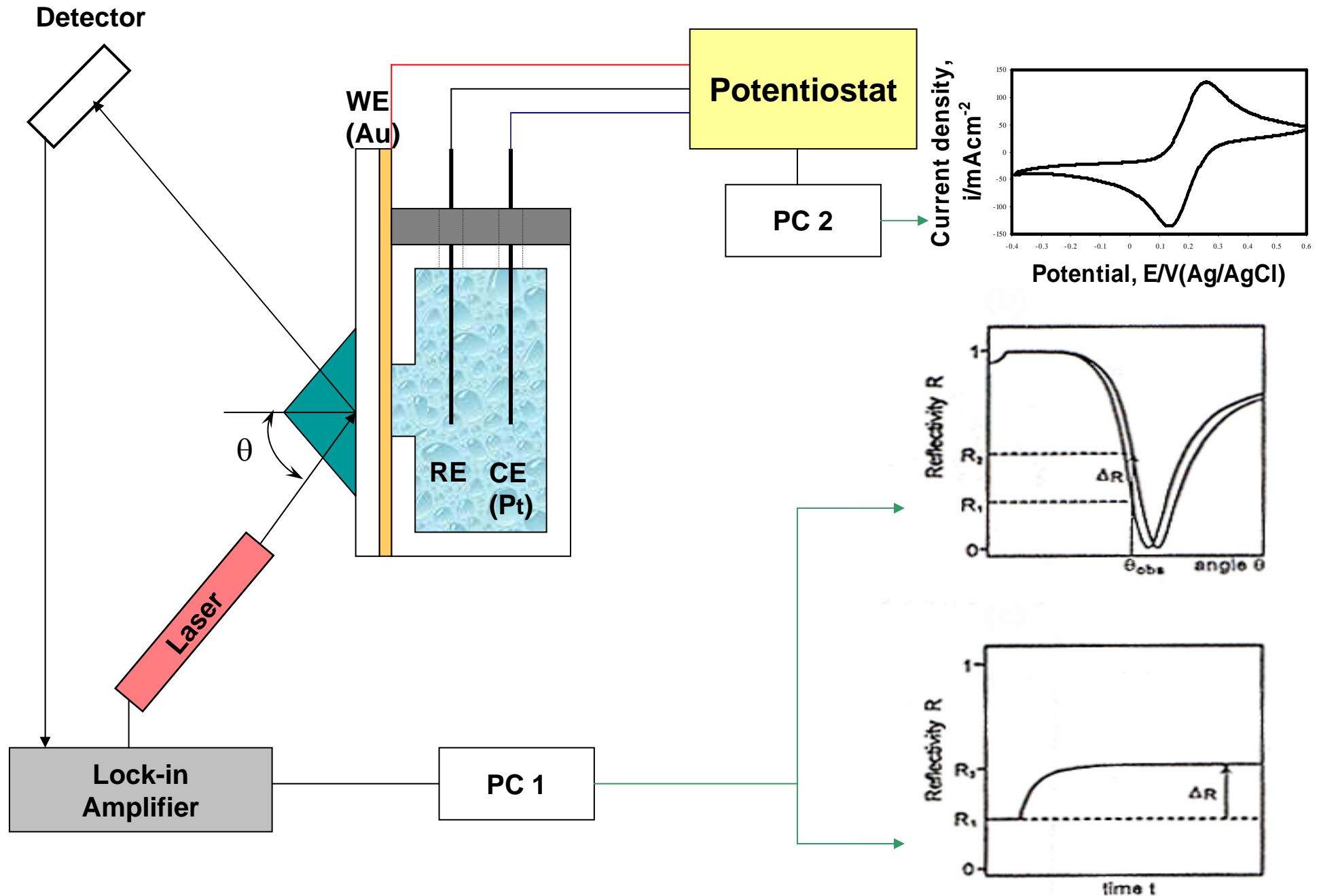
Zwitterionic Lipid POPC



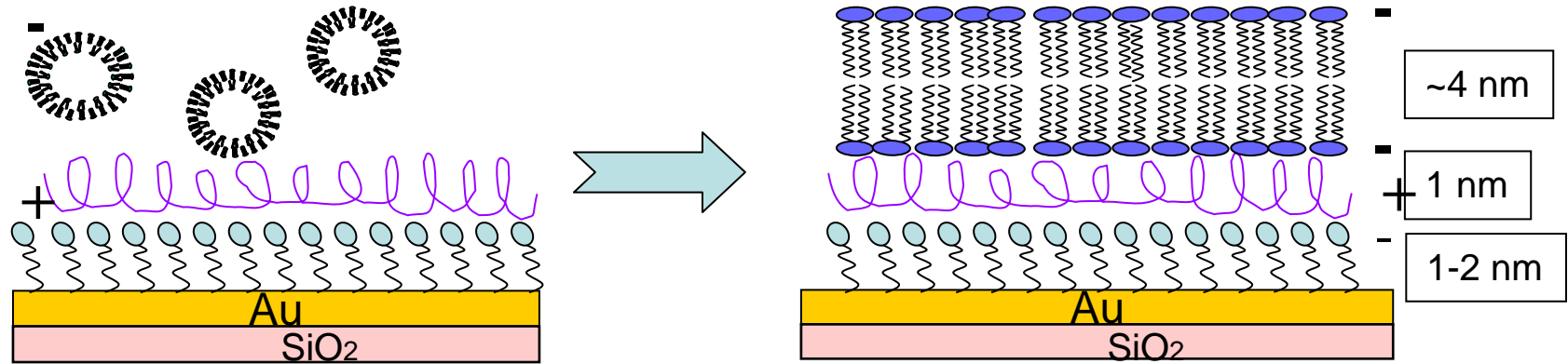
Negatively Charged Lipid SOPS



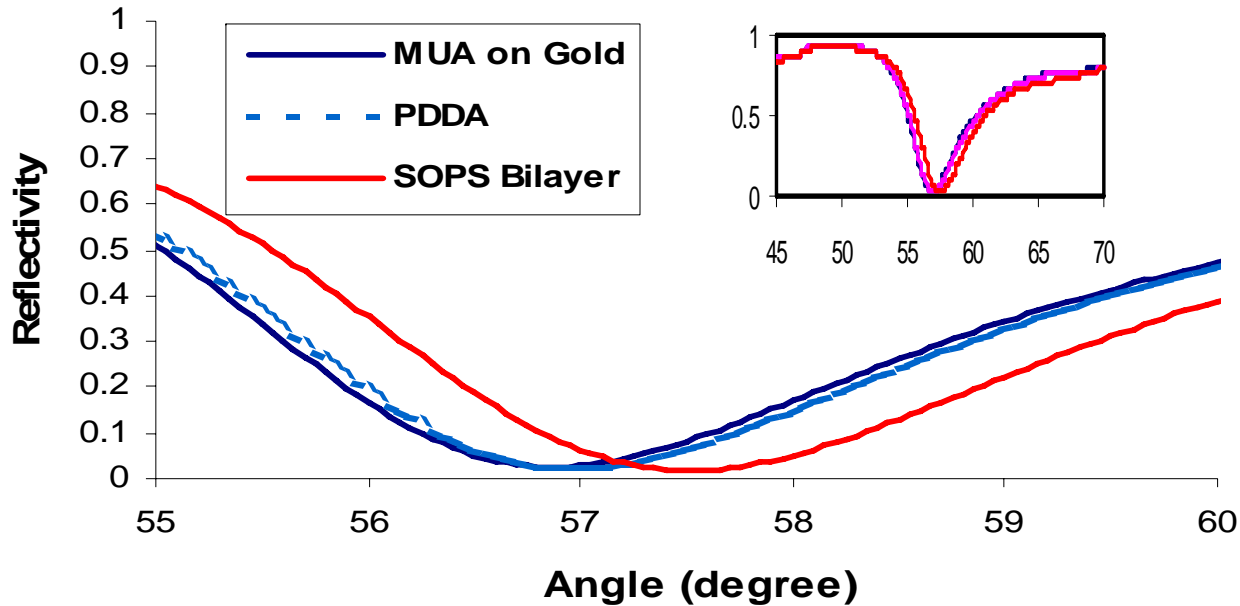
Experimental set-up: SPR with CV



SPR: layer by layer deposition



SPR Curves of Layer by Layer Deposition



Lateral mobility of lipid bilayers

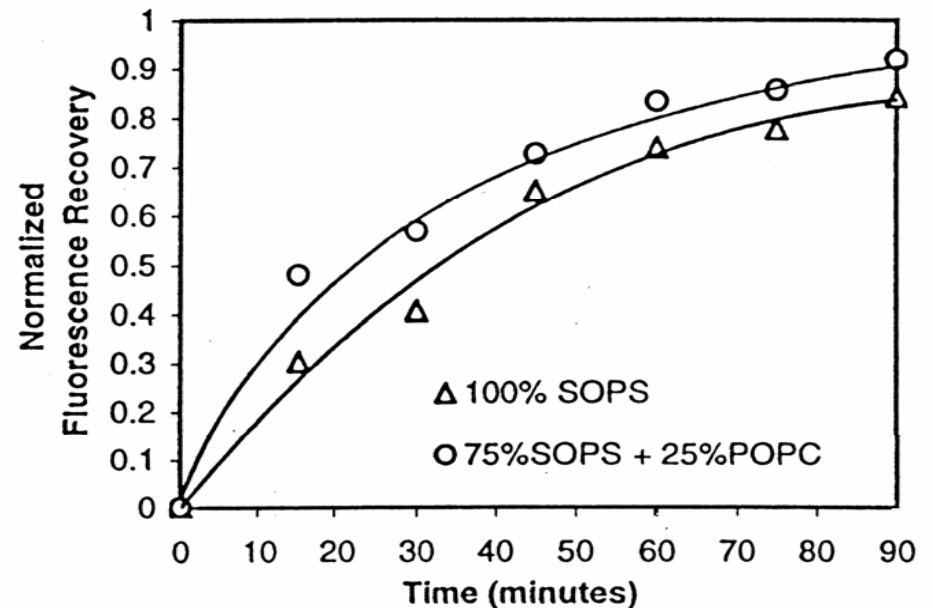
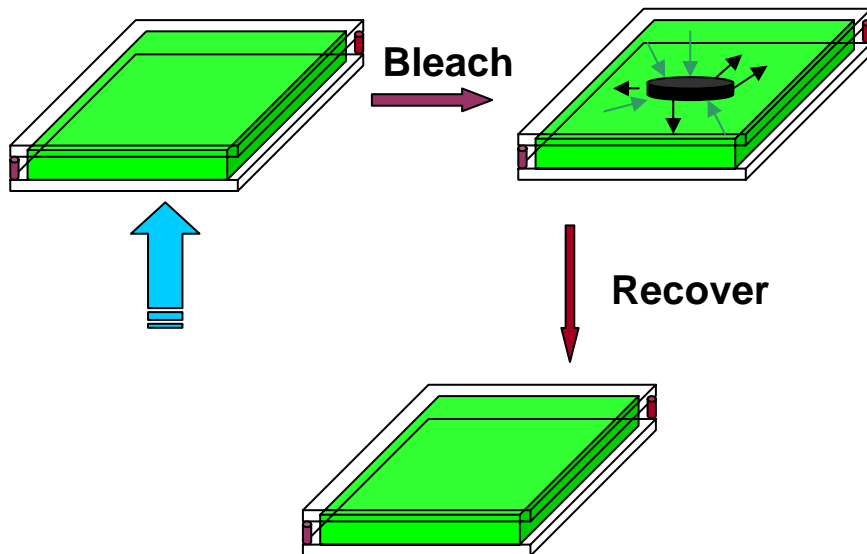
Pure SOPS and SOPS/POPC Mixtures on PDDA

Diffusion Coefficient: D (cm²/s) = $0.224\omega^2/t_{1/2}$

ω (cm): radius of bleached spot; $t_{1/2}$ (s): half time of recovery

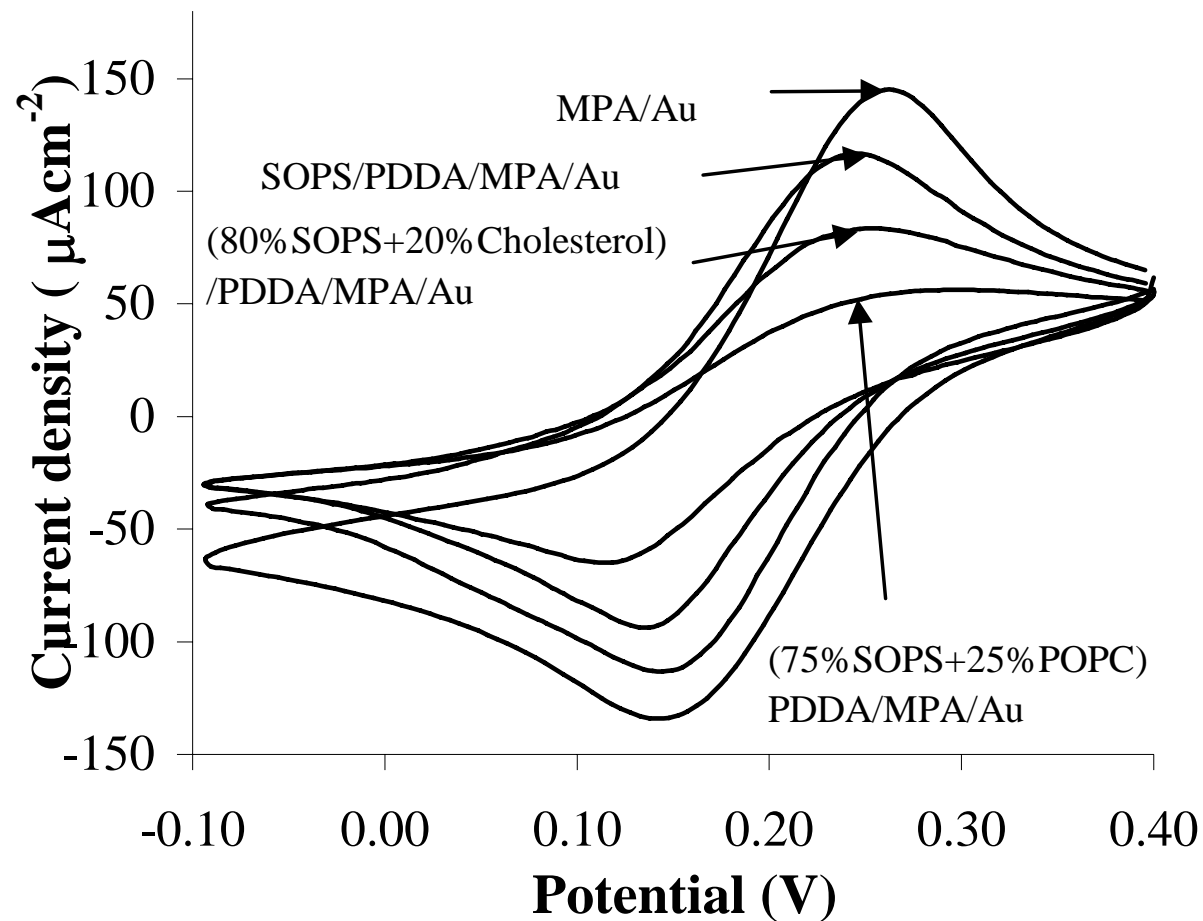
- 100% SOPS: $D \sim 1 \times 10^{-9}$ cm²/s
- 75% SOPS + 25% POPC: $D \sim 2 \times 10^{-9}$ cm²/s
- Natural membranes: $D \sim 10^{-8}$ cm²/s; Immobile membranes: $D \sim 10^{-11}$ cm²/s

Fluorescence Recovery After Photobleaching (FRAP)

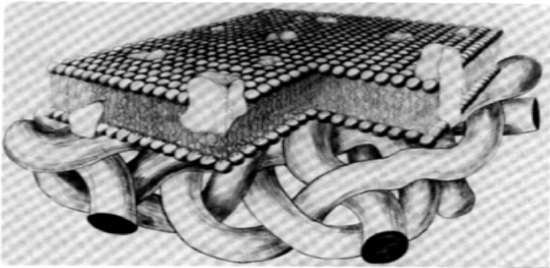


Cyclic voltammetry on lipid bilayers

Zhang, Stroeve et al., Langmuir 2002, JCIS, 2002.



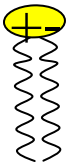
Lipid bilayer/Protegrin on SAM substrate \Rightarrow biosensor



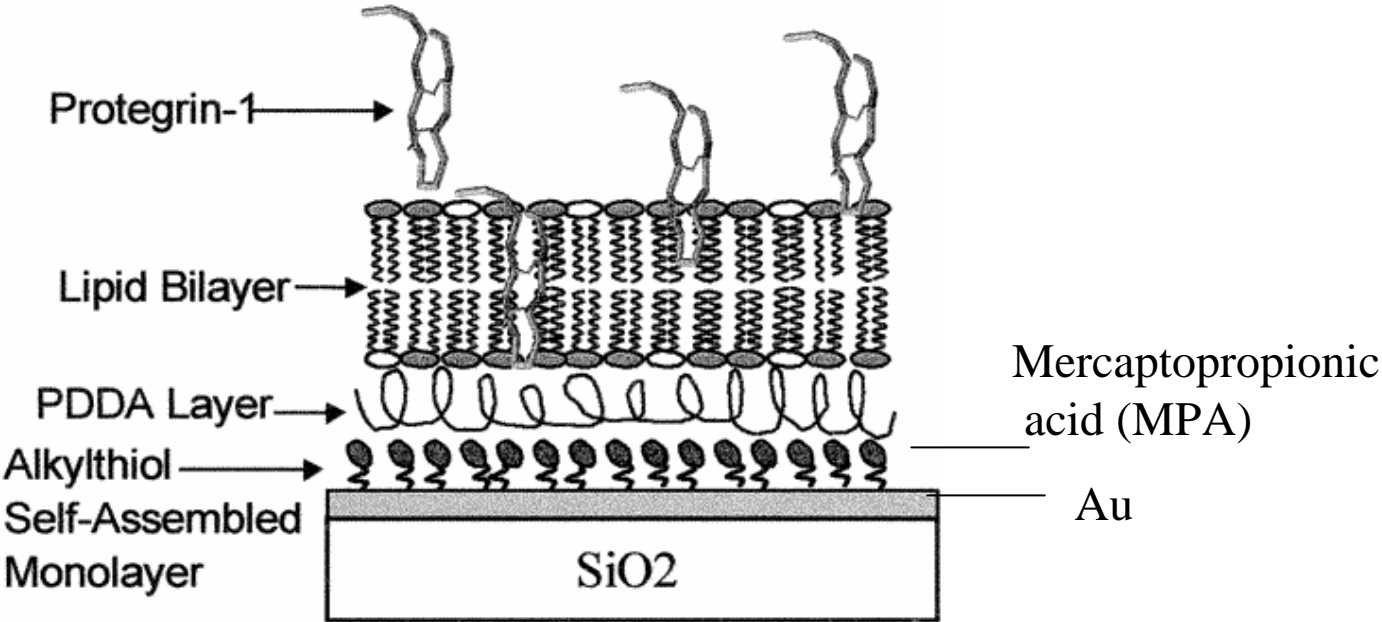
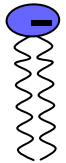
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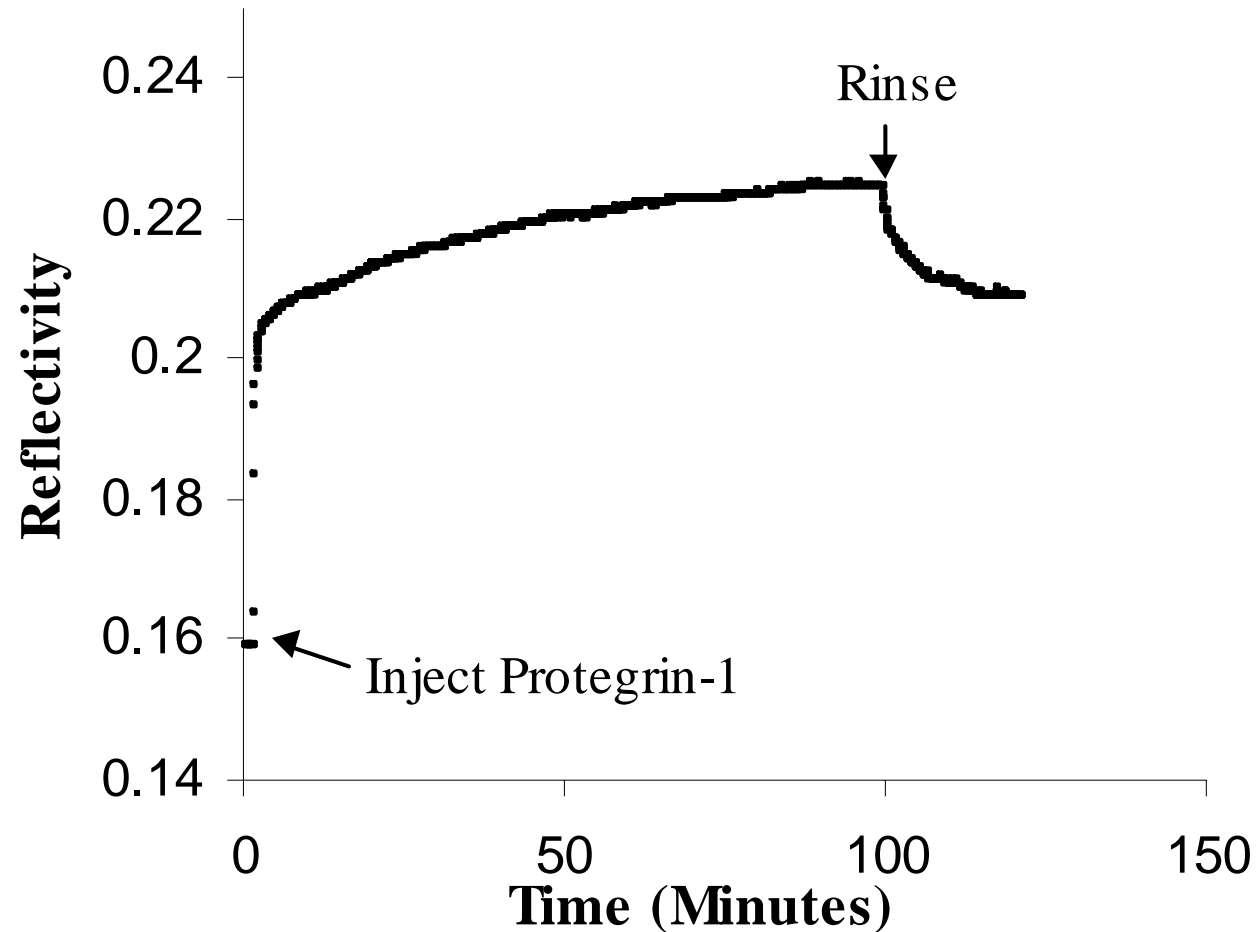


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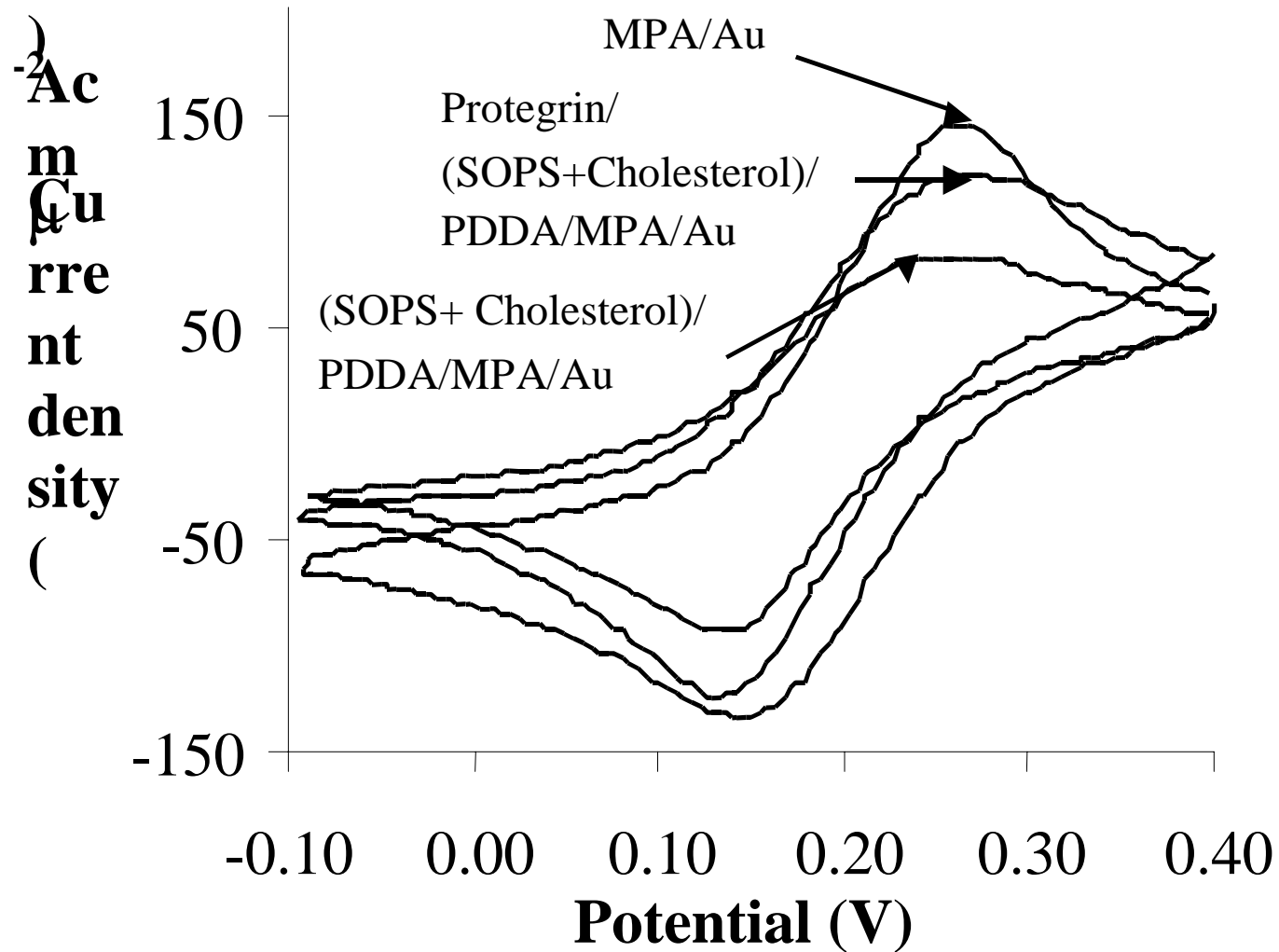


Uptake of protegrin-1 by lipid bilayer

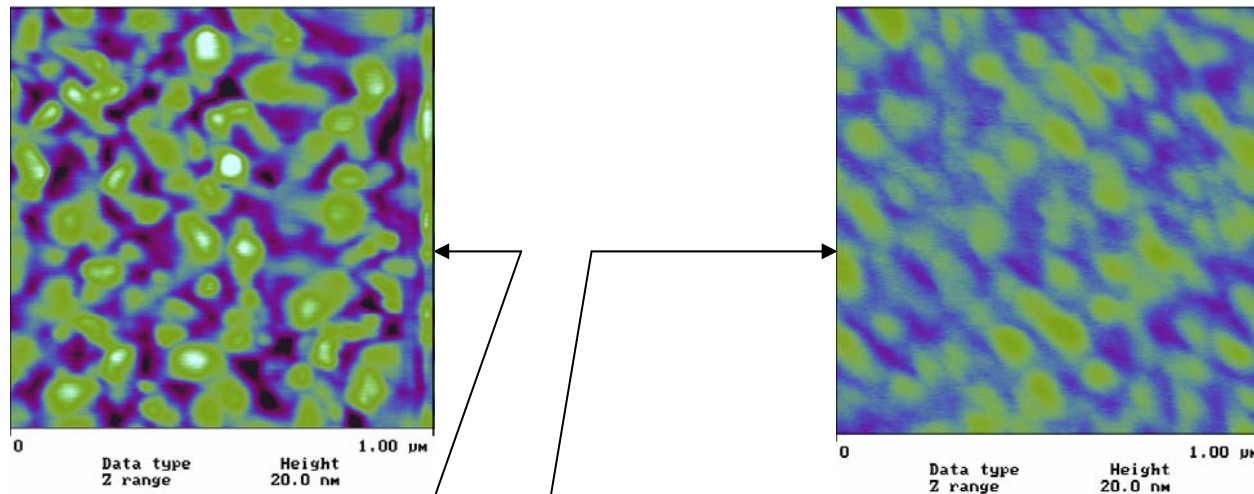
Use of SPR to monitor peptide uptake



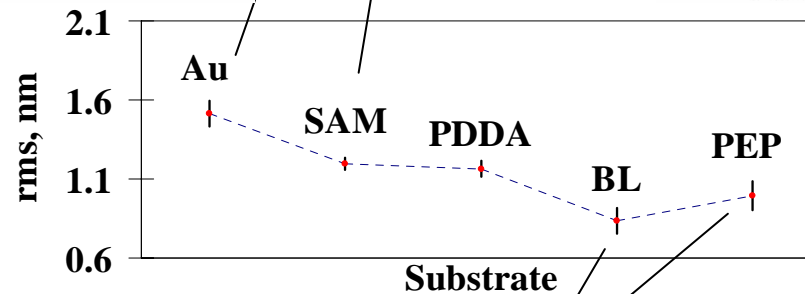
Cyclic voltammetry on lipid bilayers: Protegrin



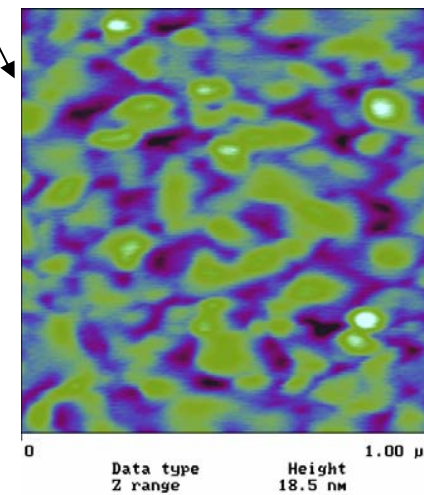
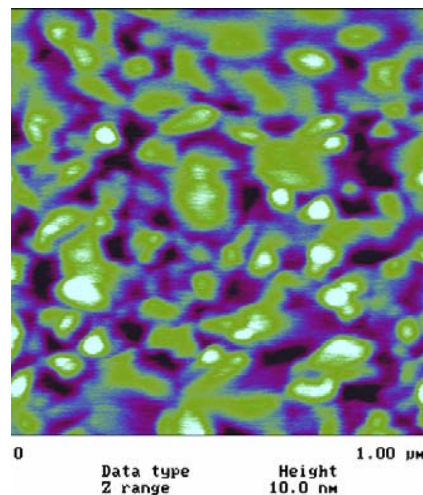
AFM studies on layer by layer deposition



- Surface roughness decreases with each layer deposited on gold surface.

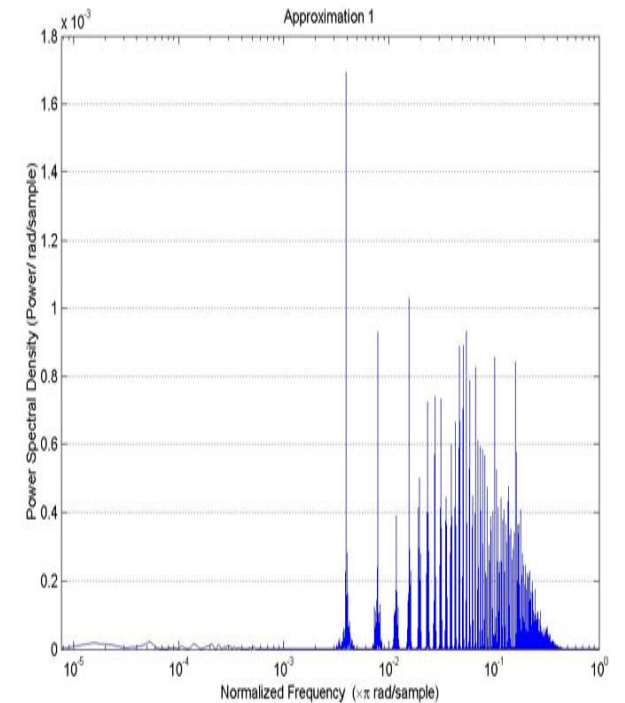
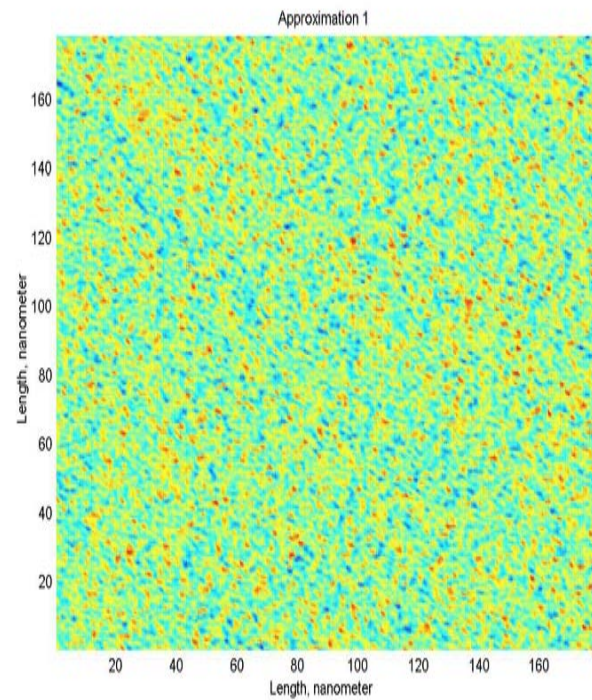
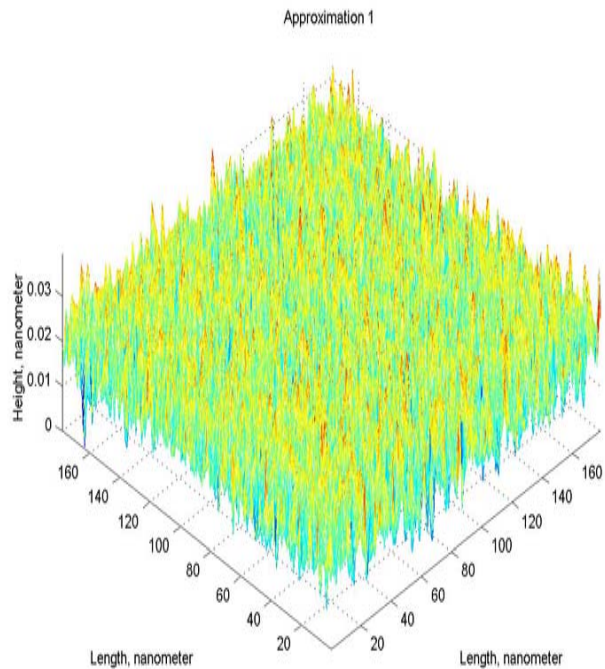


- Surface roughness increases with addition of peptide.



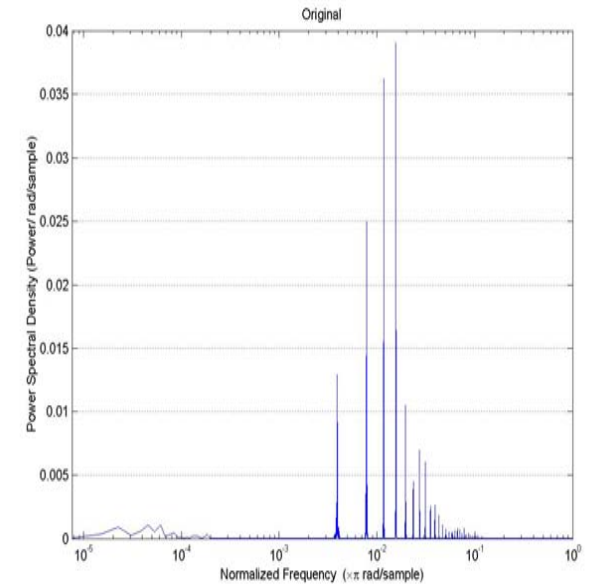
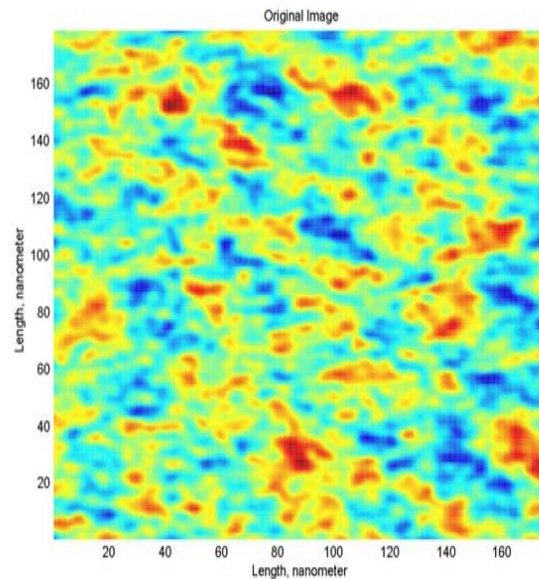
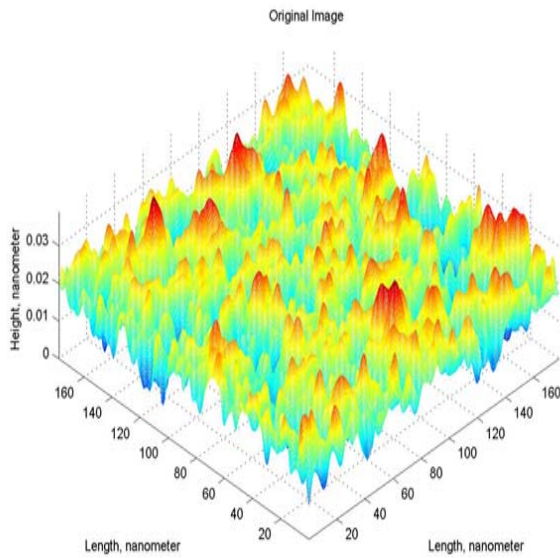
AFM of supported lipid bilayers

Lipid bilayer before uptake of protegrin-1

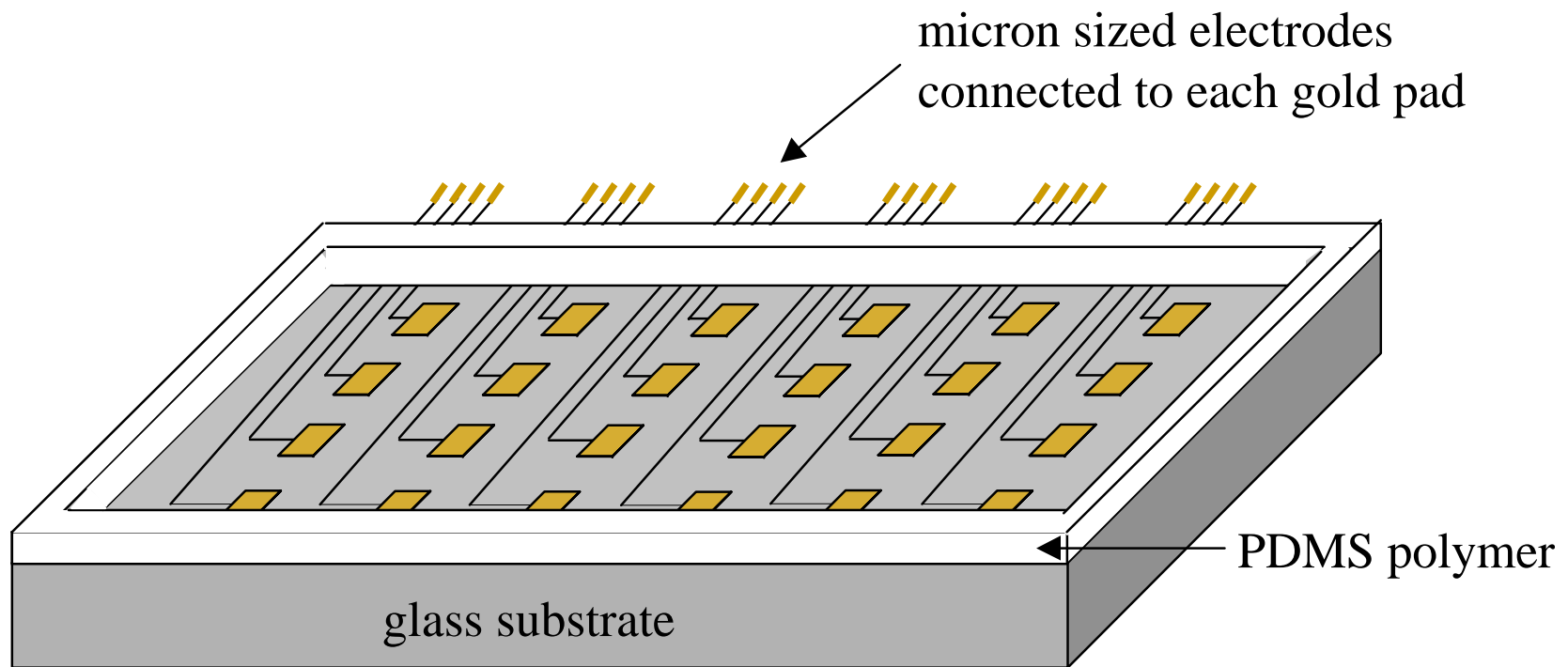


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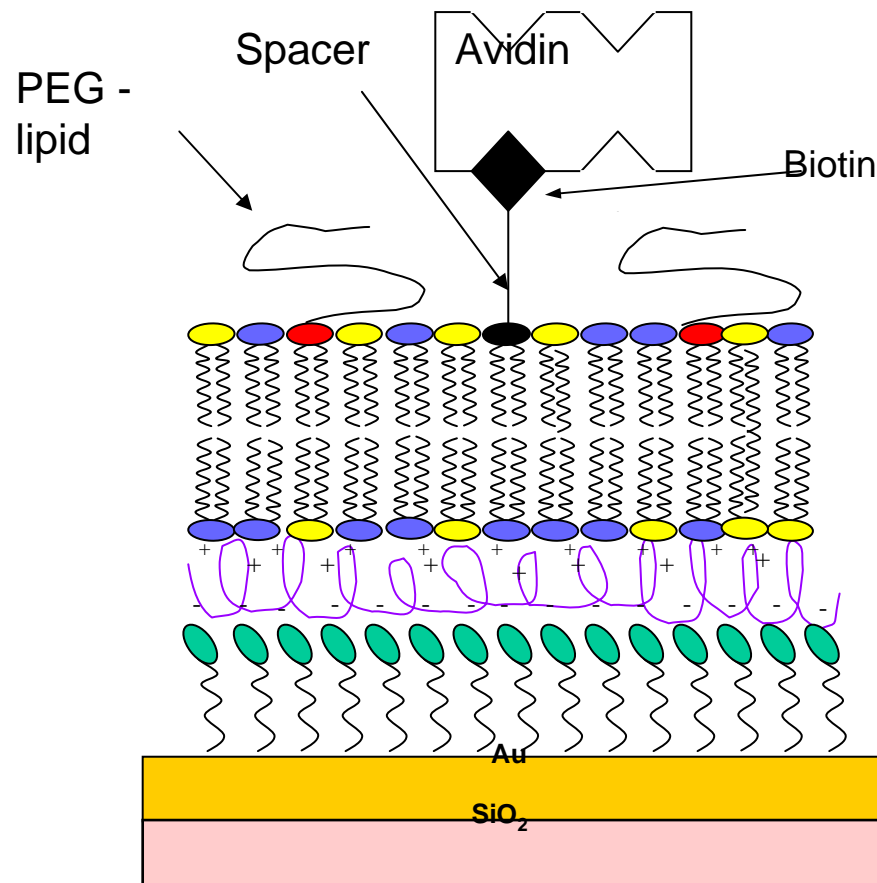


Supported lipid bilayers as micro-array biosensors



Supported lipid bilayer as biosensor for avidin

Detector for protein avidin. Also shown is use of PEG-lipid at about 10 mole % , to prevent disrupting species from reaching the bilayer.

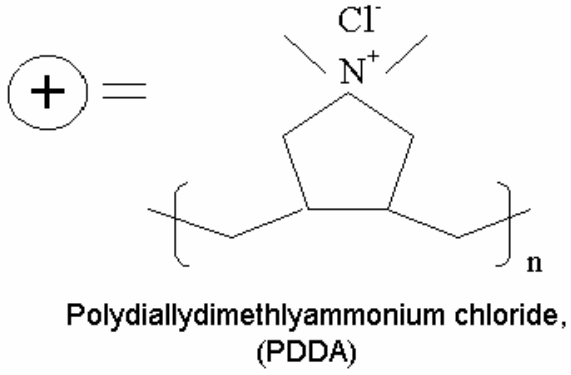
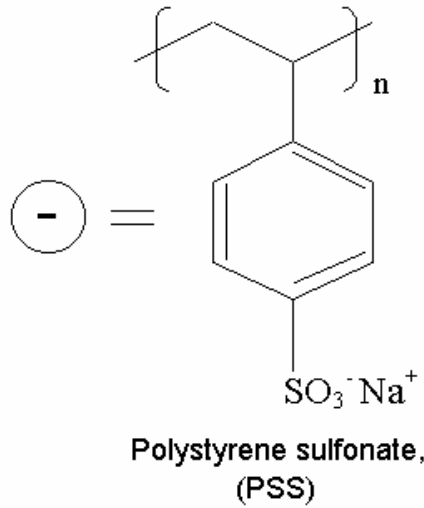
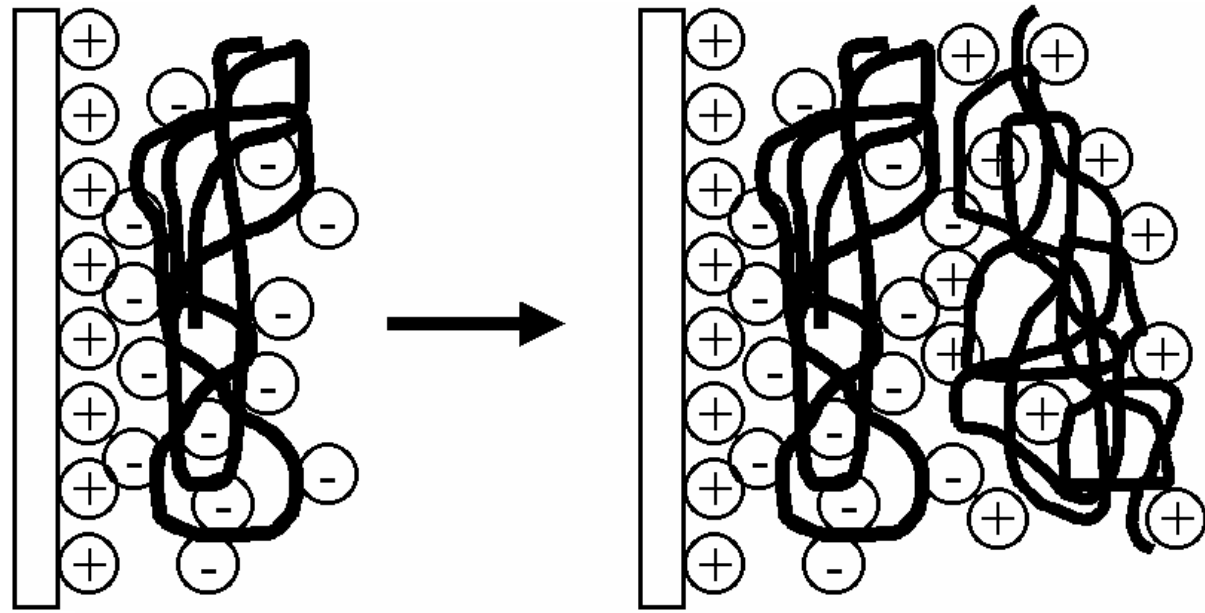


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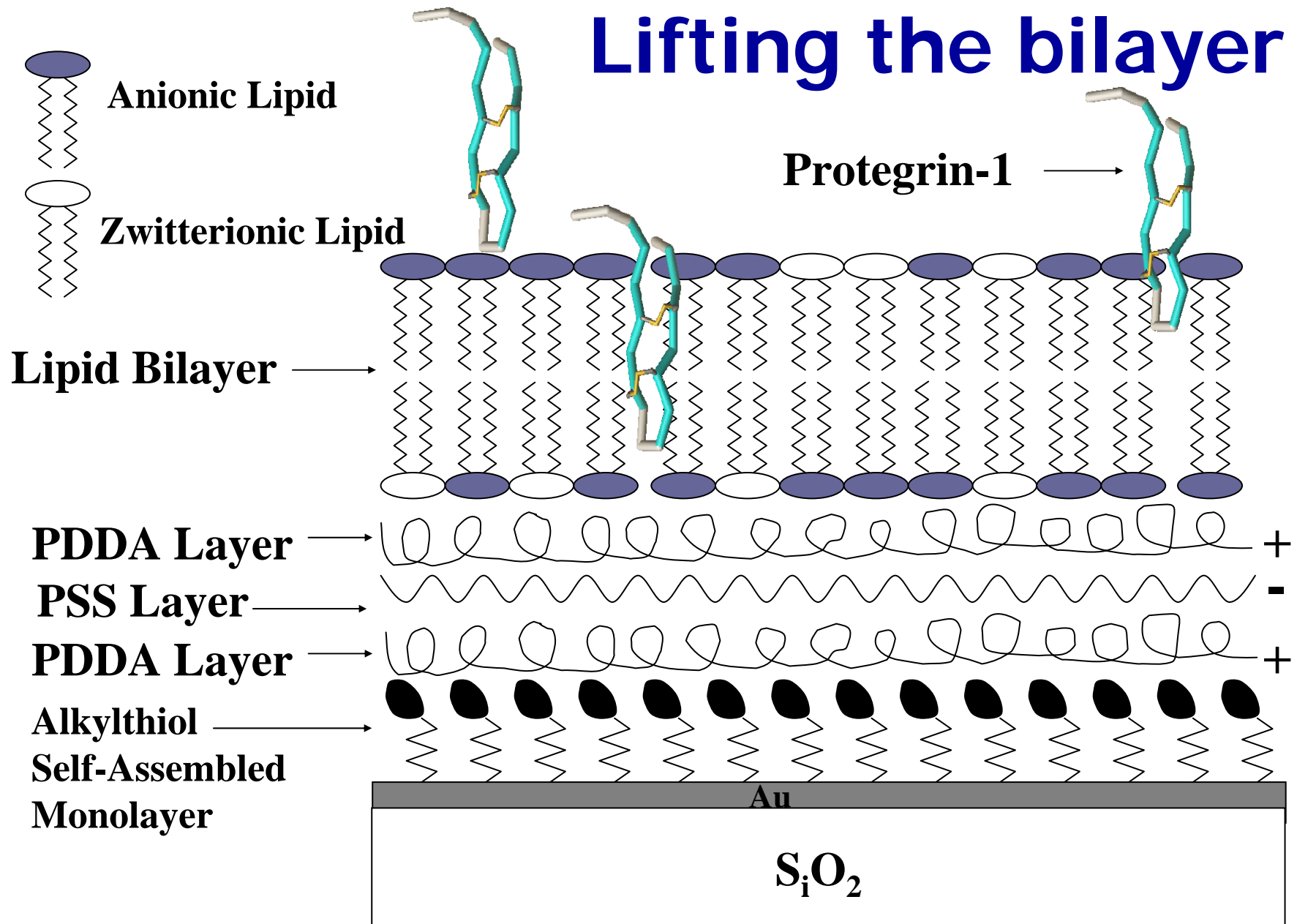


Layer-by-layer deposition of polyelectrolytes

Applications

- **Lifting supported bilayers**
- **Biosensors**
- **Permselective membranes**
- **Catalytic films**
- **Coatings**

Lifting the bilayer



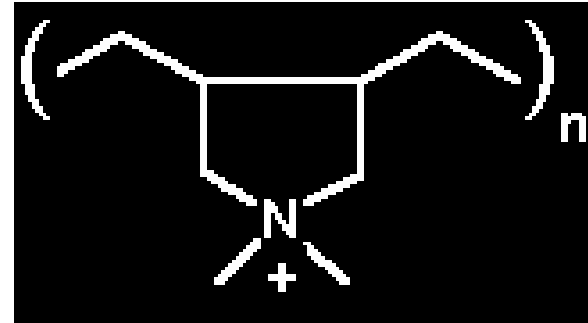
C. Ma, Stroeve et al., Coll. & Surf. B, 2003

Layer-by-layer deposition on SWCNT

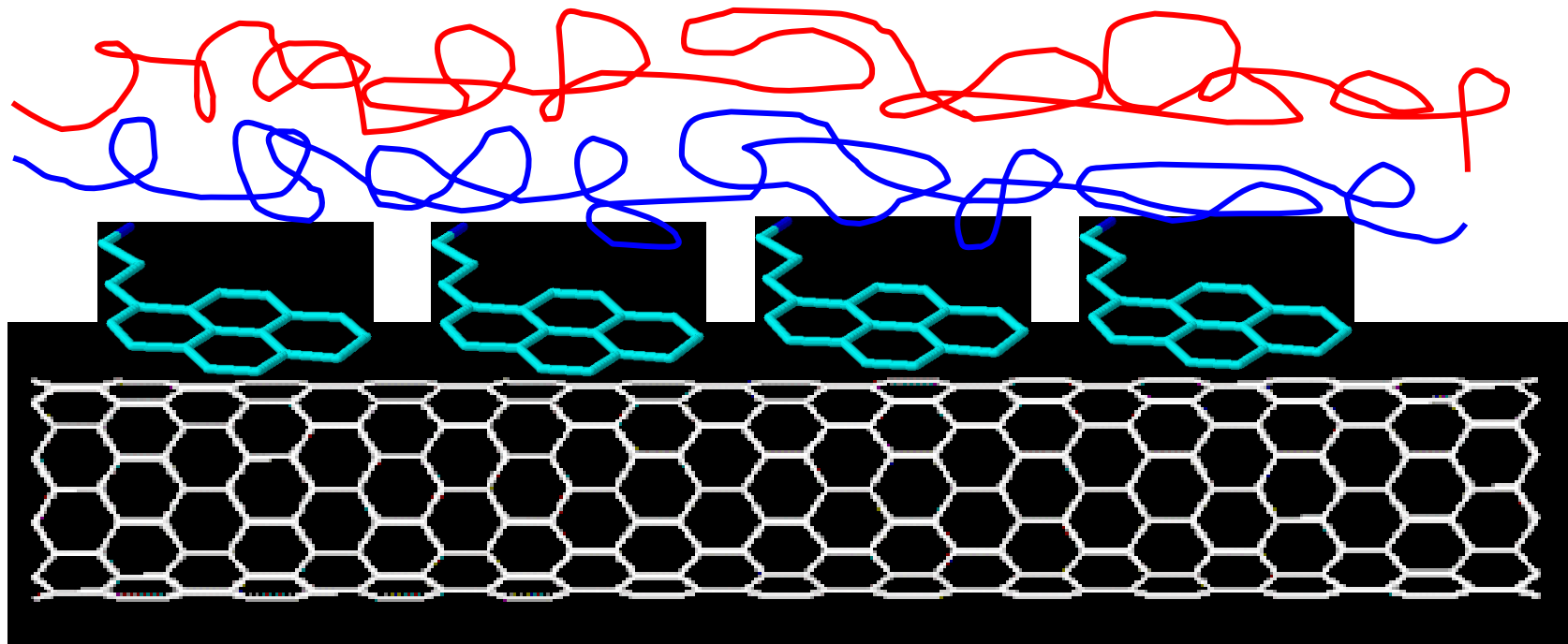
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Polystyrenesulfonate

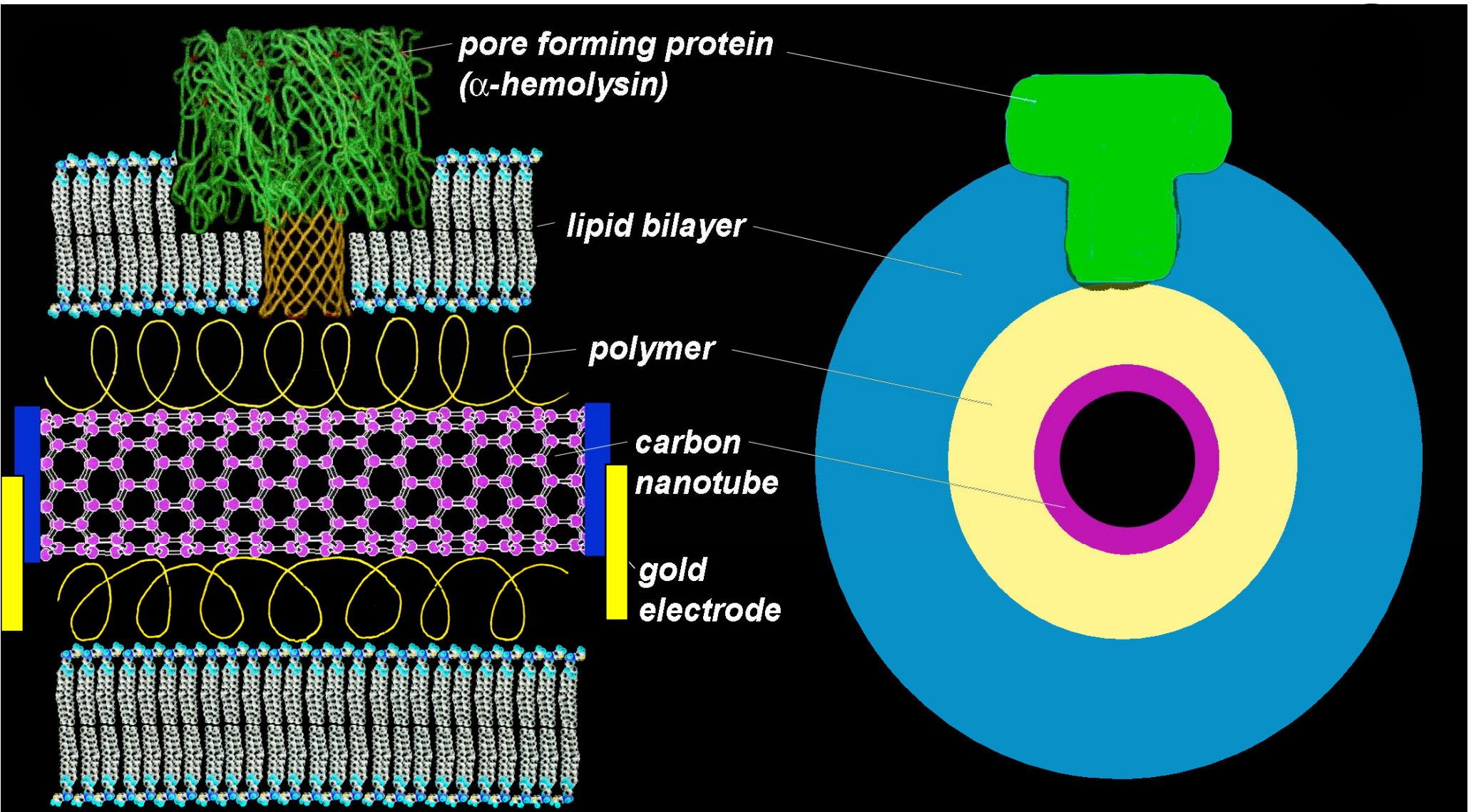


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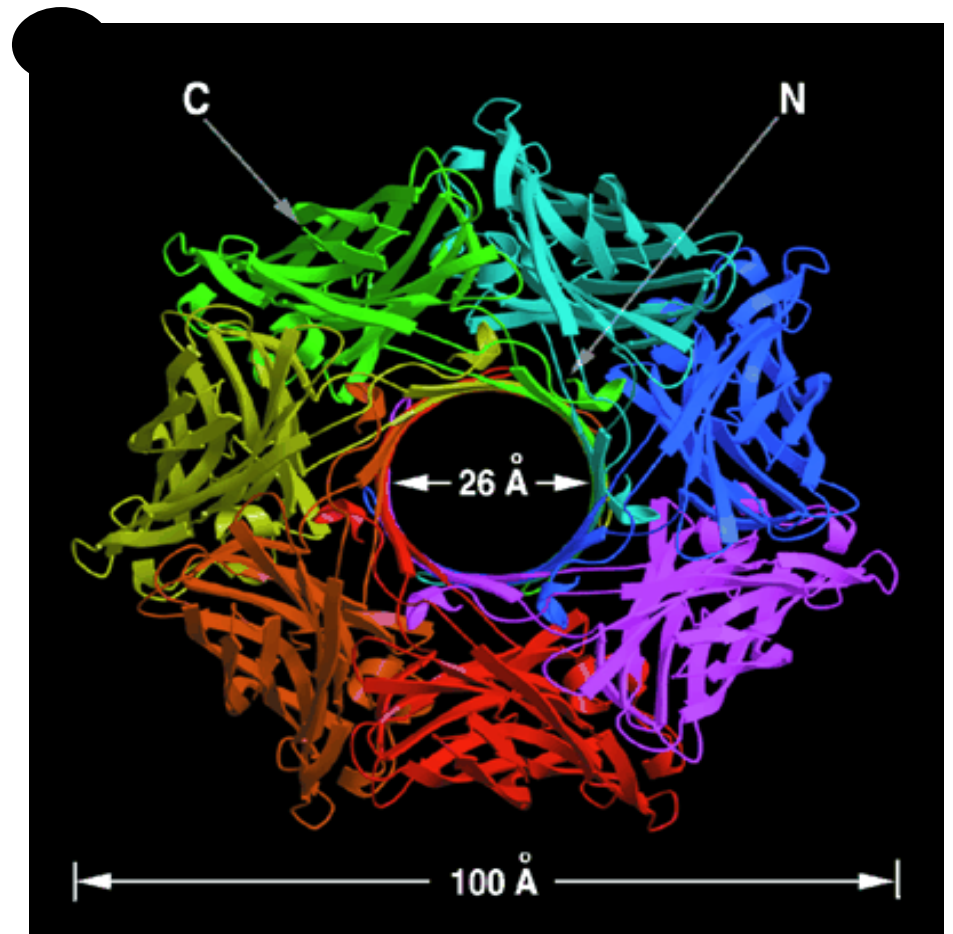
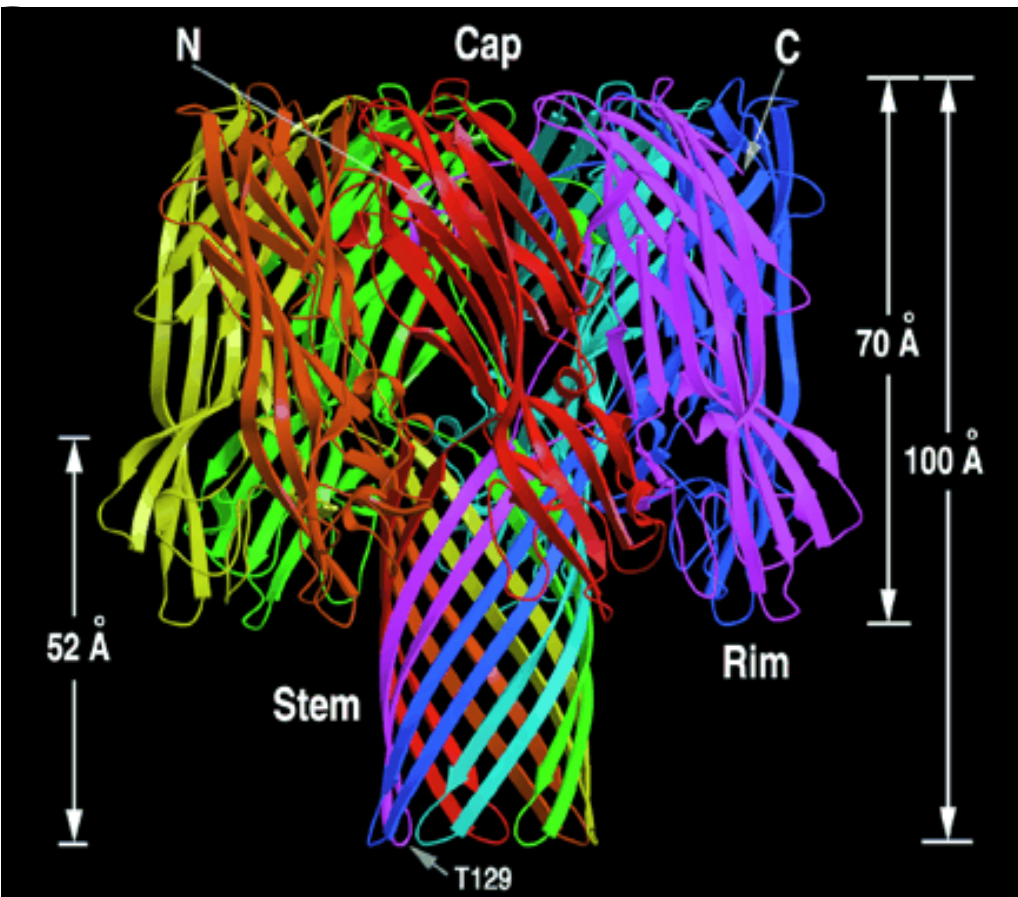


Carbon nanotube sensor

Arthuykhin, Stroeve et al., 2004



α -Hemolysin

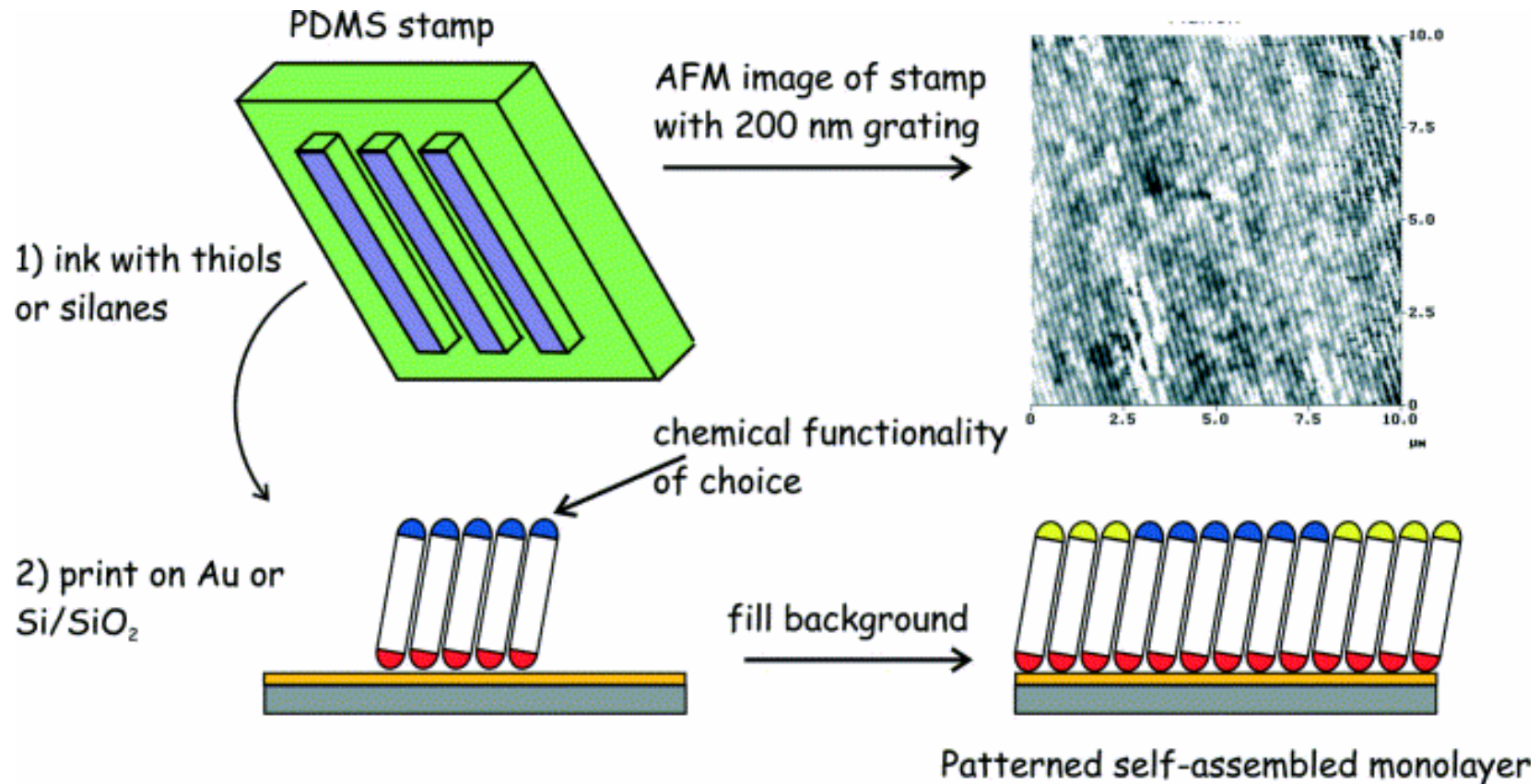


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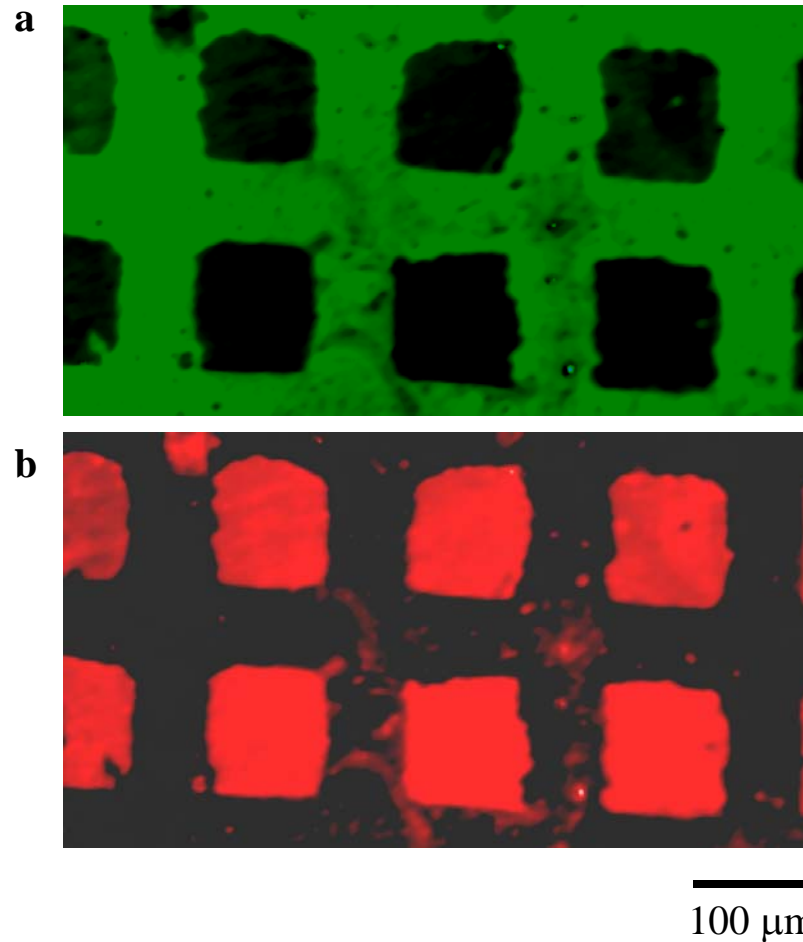
Stamping (microcontact printing)

Li and Huck, Curr. Op. Solid State and Mat. Science, 2002



Patterning of supported lipid bilayers

Use of stamping or microcontact printing. Srinivasan, Stroeve et al.,
Langmuir 2001



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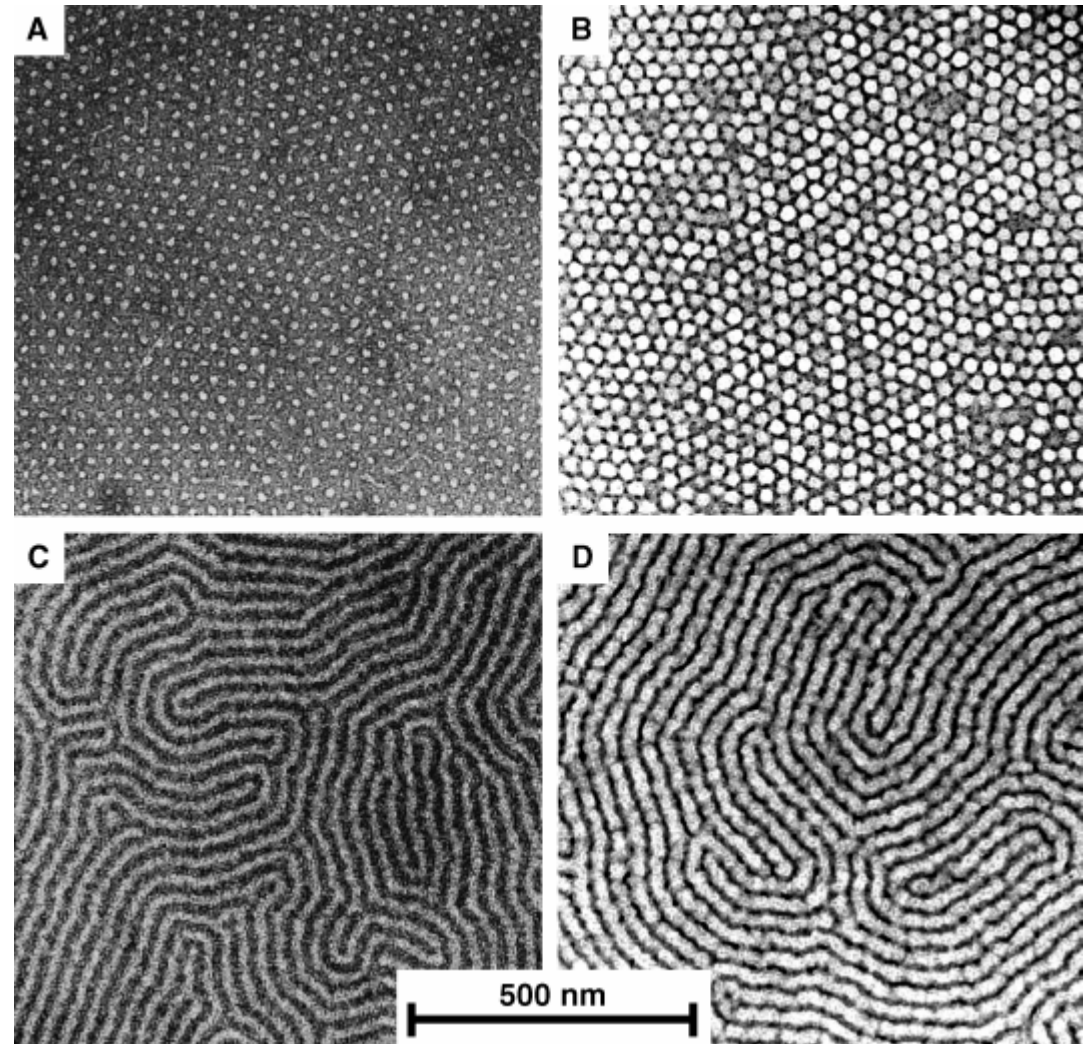
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Self-assembly of diblock polymers

TEM micrographs of polystyrene-polybutadiene diblock copolymer film masks (a,c) and lithographically patterned silicon nitride (b,d).

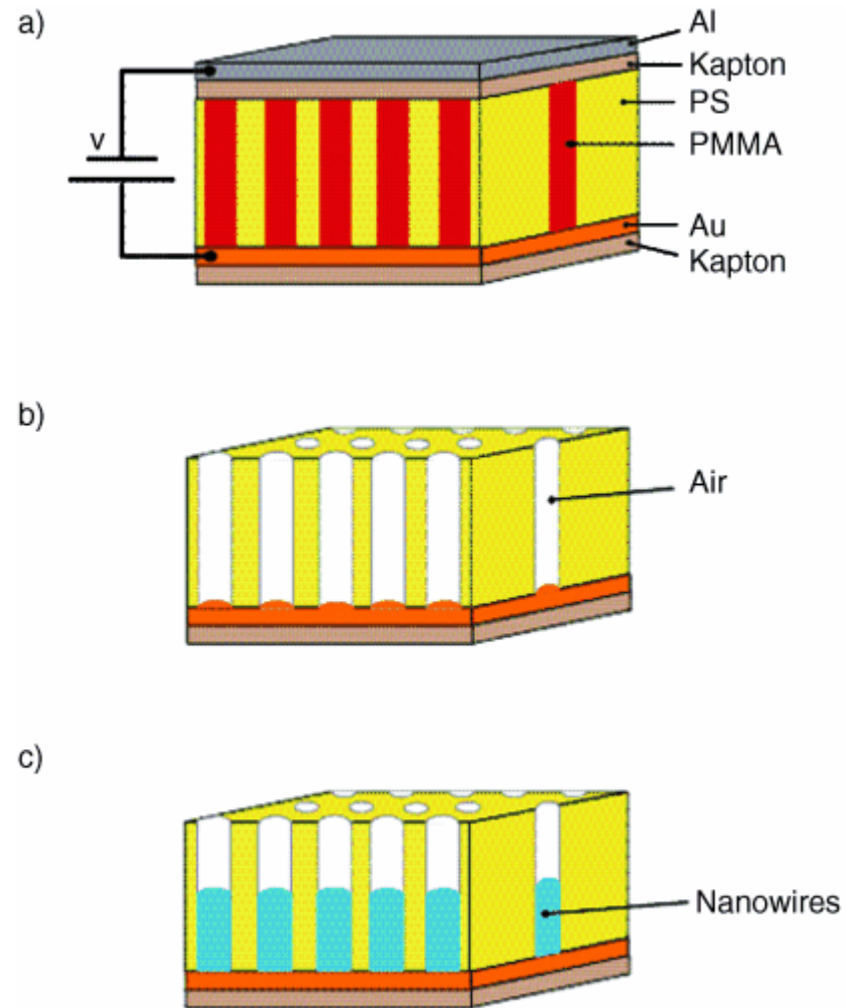
(C. Harrison, Science)



Nanowire-arrays

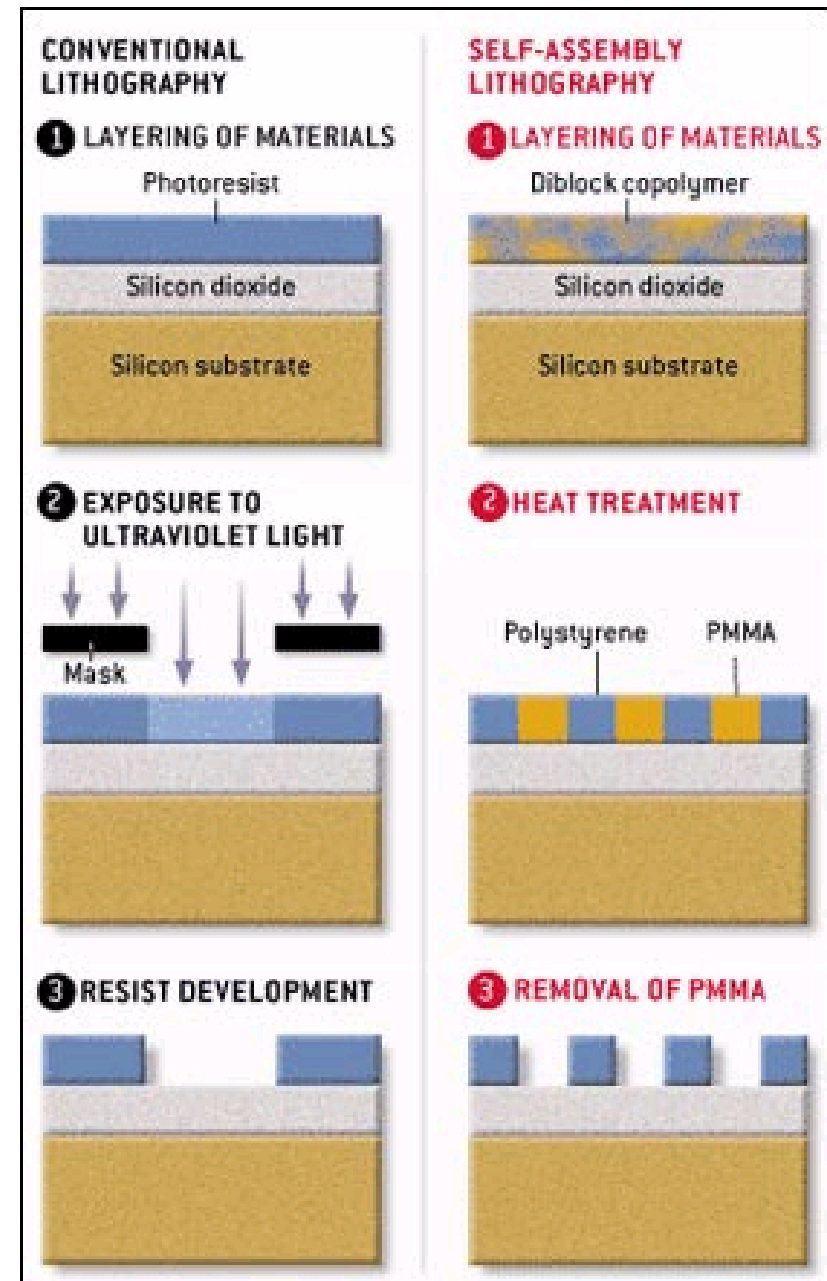
Nanowire-array formation. a) An asymmetric diblock copolymer is annealed above the glass transition temperature of the copolymer between two electrodes under an applied electric field. b) After removal of the minor component, a nanoporous film is formed. c) Nanowires formed by electrodeposition in 20 nm pores.

(from M.T. Tuominen, Science)



Self-assembly lithography (IBM)

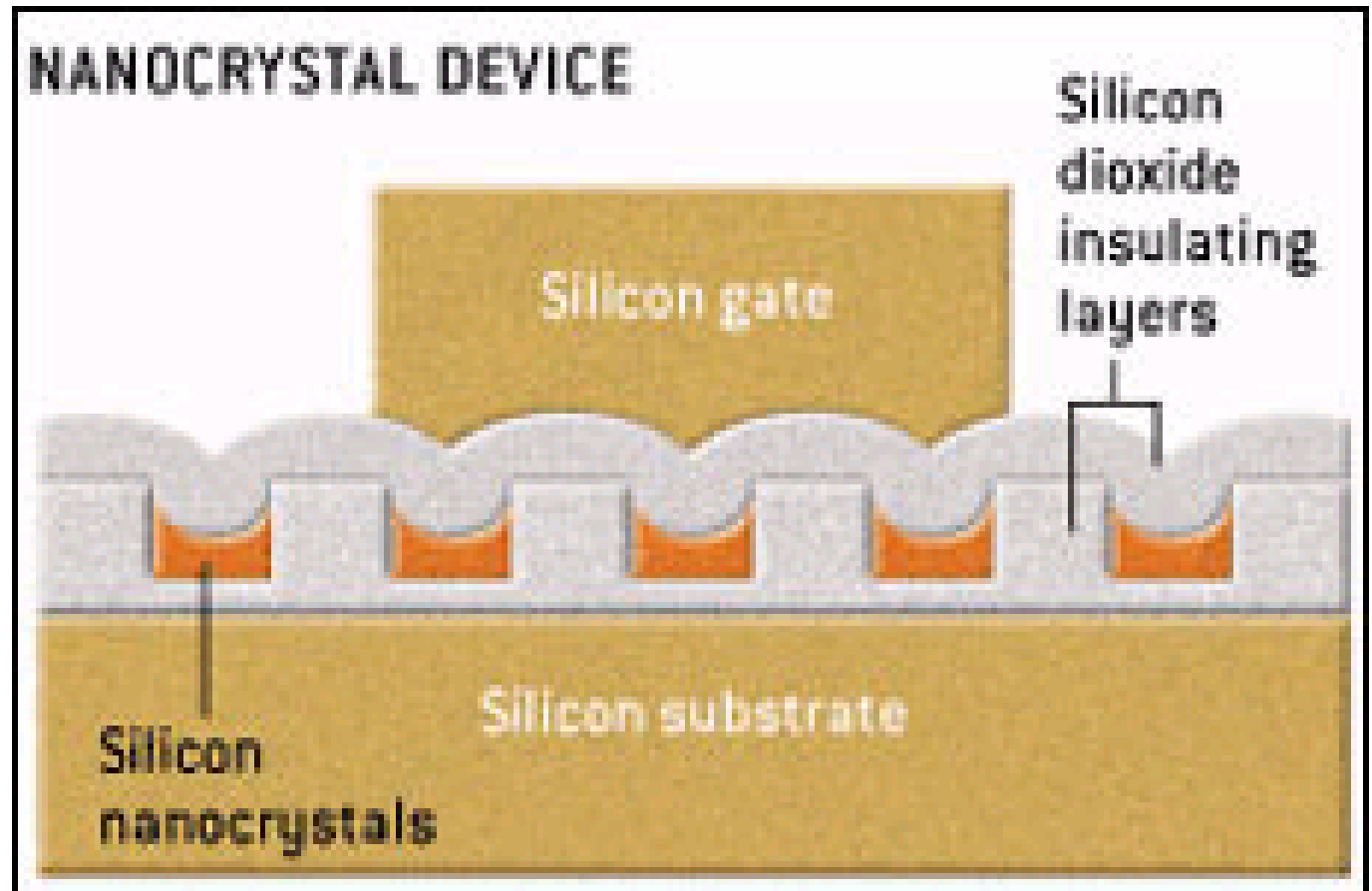
Self-assembly patterning occurs when a diblock copolymer is heated, thereby separating the two polymers in the material into defined areas before the PMMA is etched away. The template of cylindrical holes is transferred into the silicon dioxide before the holes are filled with nanocrystalline silicon used to store data (20 nm size).



IBM Flash memory device

FLASH MEMORY: A layer of self-assembled silicon nanocrystals is inserted into an otherwise standard device as part of a novel IBM manufacturing process.

Image: SAMUEL VELASCO



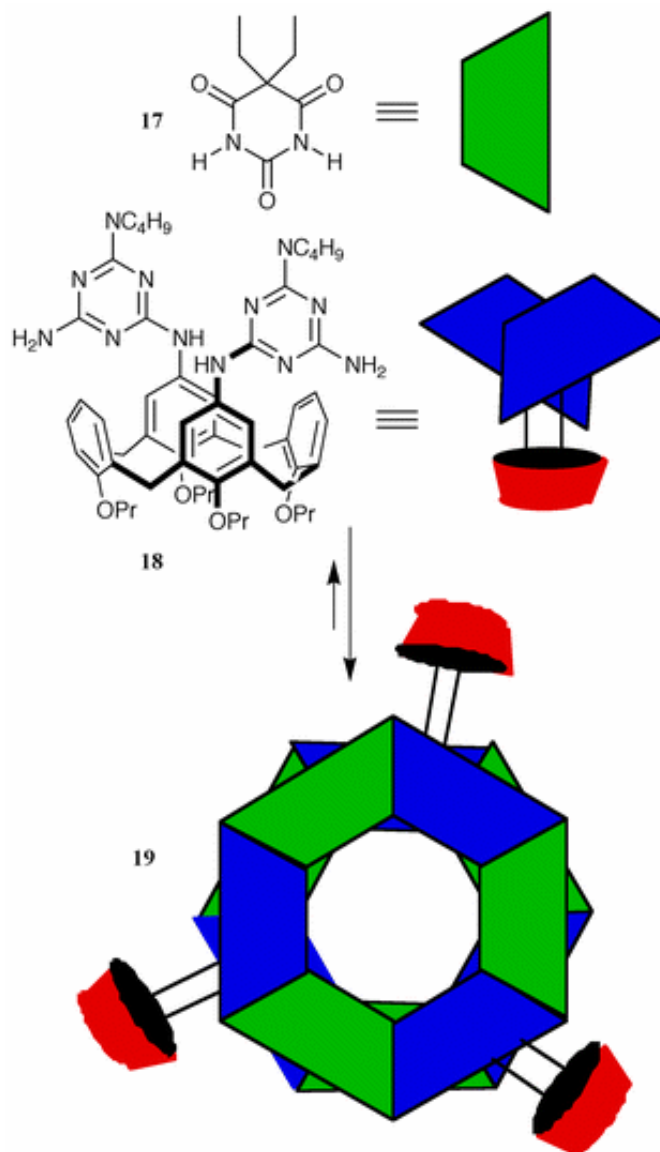
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Self-assembly of a double rosette superstructure 19 through the interaction, mediated by hydrogen bonds, of barbiturate 17 with melamine derivative 18

R.N. Reinhoudt, U of Twente, *Angew. Chemie*, 1996



Self-assembly of molecular structures

CLOSING COMMENTS:

- **Molecular assemblies can be build on a variety of substrates.**
- **Combination of bottom up and top down techniques can lead to patterned features.**
- **Research on self-assembling structures on surfaces has stimulated the development of new products.**