

CHIMaD | Center for Hierarchical Materials Design

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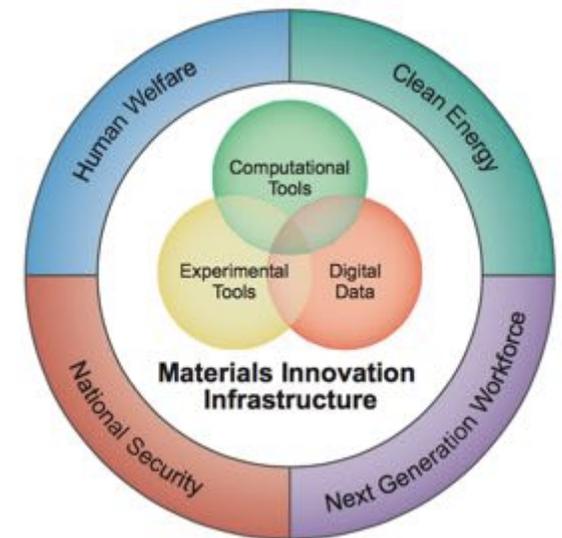
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Materials Genome Initiative for Global Competitiveness - June 2011

Fundamental *databases and tools* enabling reduction of the 10-20 year materials creation and deployment cycle *by 50% or more*

- **Developing a Materials Innovation Infrastructure**
 - Integrated experimental, computational, and data informatics tools
 - Span entire materials continuum
 - Open-access/Open-source
- **Achieving National Goals with Advanced Materials**
 - Develop the *infrastructure* to design new materials
- **Equipping Next Generation Materials Workforce**
- **Engaging all stakeholders**
 - Government, academia, and industry



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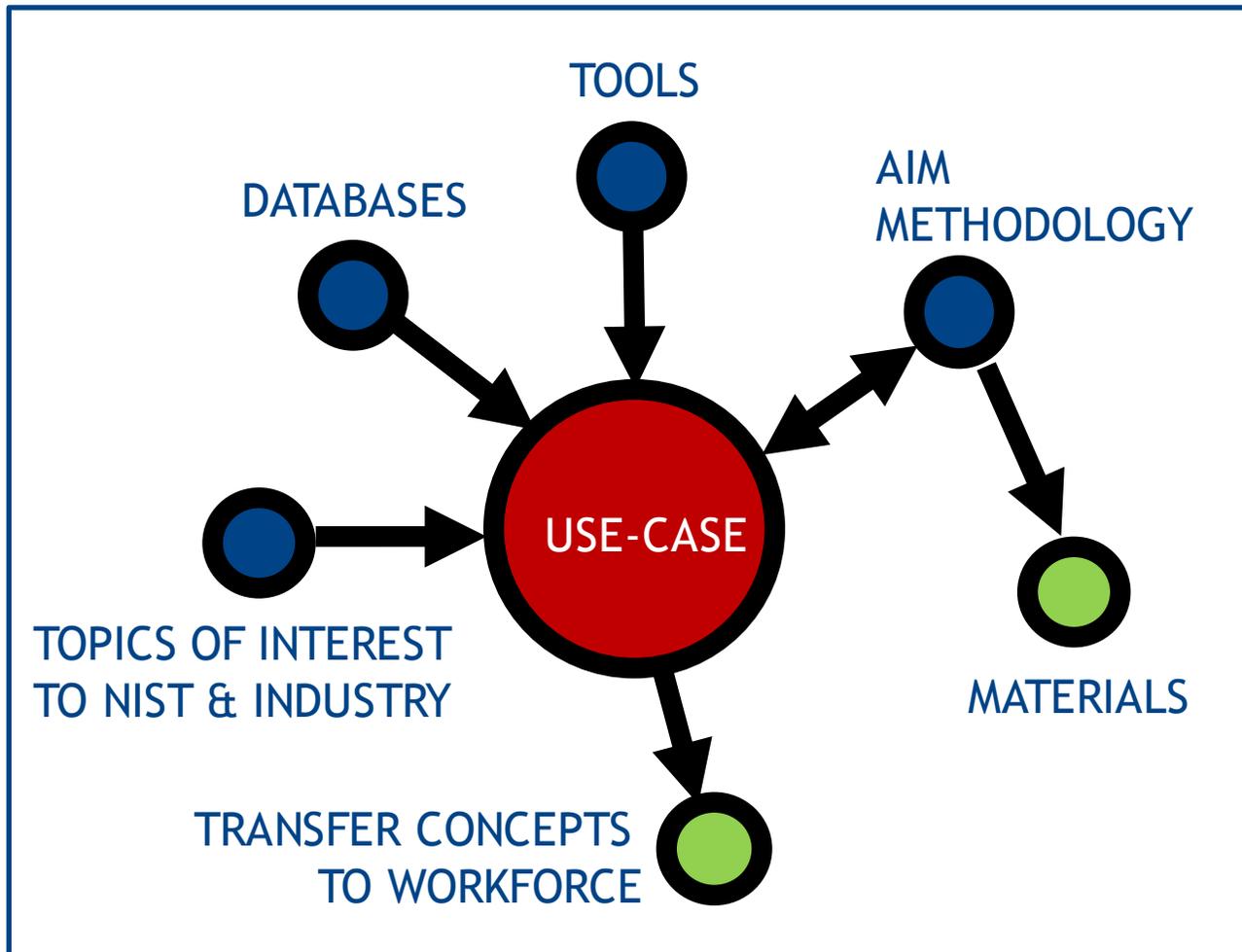
36 PIs | 34 Postdoctoral Fellows
38 Graduate Students | 40 NIST collaborators

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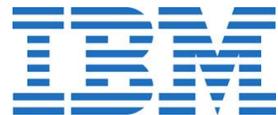
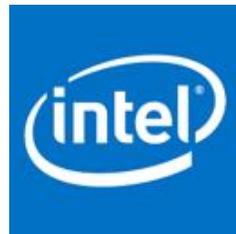
Objectives of CHiMaD

- **Create** a collaborative environment and concentration of scientific and technical capability to accelerate materials discovery and development
- **Provide opportunities** to transition new breakthroughs in advanced materials to industry
- **Convene** multidisciplinary and multi-sector communities for in-depth discussions
- **Provide training** opportunities for scientists and engineers in materials metrology
- **Foster** the development of integrated computation, modeling and data-driven tools
- **Foster** the discovery of new materials
- **Establish opportunities** for extended collaborations with NIST

Implementation



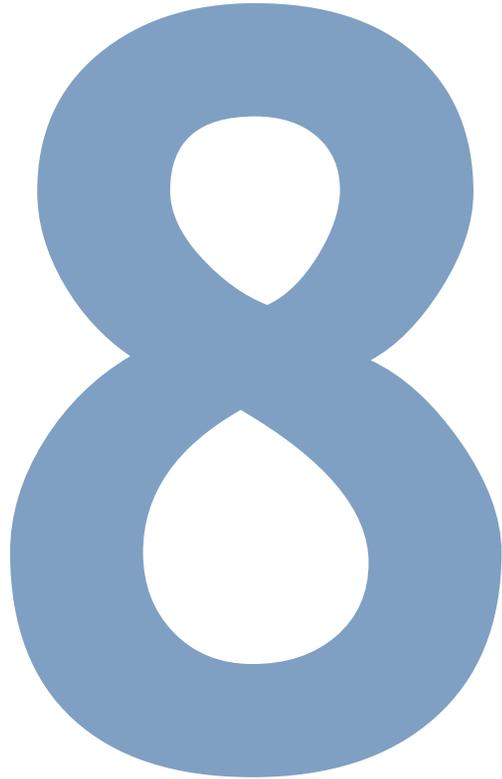
Industrial Interactions: Technical Advisory Board



Many also participate as members of use-case groups

Industrial Participants





CHiMaD Use-Case Groups

- ▶ *Precipitation-Strengthened Alloys*
- ▶ *Low-dimensional Nanoelectronic Materials*
- ▶ *Data Mining*
- ▶ *Polymer Matrix Materials*
- ▶ *Directed Self-Assembly of Block Copolymers Films for Lithographic Applications*
- ▶ *Soft Matter Design based on Charge Complexation*
- ▶ *Organic Bulk Heterjunction Polymer Solar Cells*
- ▶ *In Situ Si-Composites*

Seed Groups & Other Efforts

- ▶ *Additive Manufacturing*
- ▶ *Phase Field Methods*
- ▶ *Coarse-grained simulations of OPVs*
- ▶ *Data/Databases*
- ▶ *Materials Data Facility*
- ▶ *Thermoelectrics*
- ▶ *Impact Mitigation*
- ▶ *Materials Research Facility*

CHIMAD USE-CASE GROUPS

All use-case and tool groups have significant NIST participation





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PRECIPITATION-STRENGTHENED

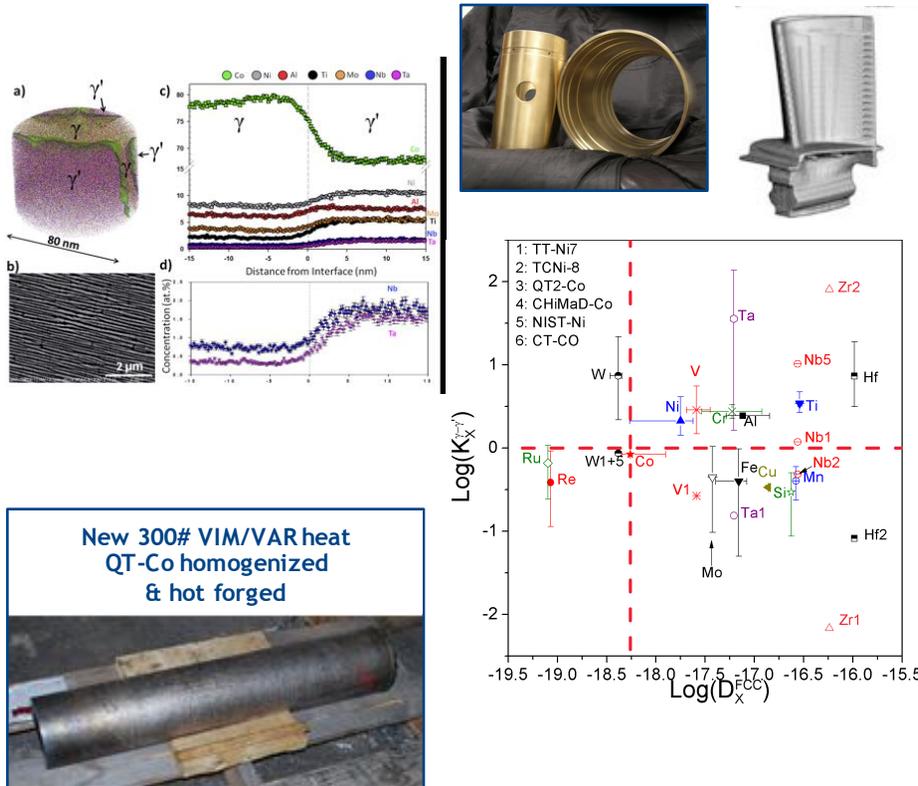
predictive design of precipitation-strengthened alloys being applied to Co-based superalloy and shape-memory alloys



PRECIPITATION-STRENGTHENED ALLOYS: Co-based

DESIGN GOALS

- ⊙ *Near-term: Apply accelerated insertion of materials (AIM) approach for accelerated qualification of precipitation-strengthened Co-based bushing/actuator alloy use case*
- ⊙ *Longer-term: Apply computational design to high-temperature Co alloys*

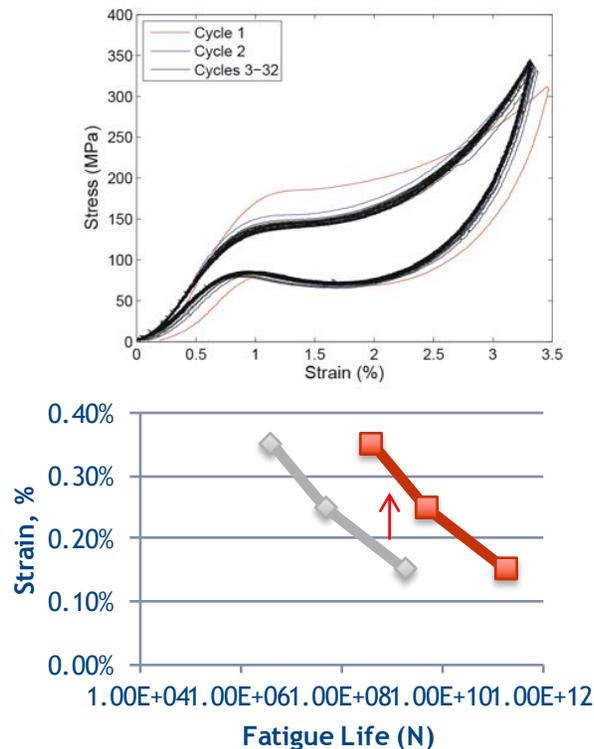


- Continued refinement of Co thermodynamic and mobility databases in NIST collaboration.
- Procured new 300-lb VIM/VAR heat of QT-Co bushing alloy, refined homogenization and forging conditions for completion of thermal process optimization; new QT SBIR obtained to aid AIM qualification.
- Detailed microanalysis of experimental alloys quantify phase relations for high-temperature alloys and populate pre-CALPHAD data.
- Search cross-plot of fundamental data prioritizes new components for high-throughput experiment and theory, supporting expanded CALPHAD assessment

PRECIPITATION-STRENGTHENED ALLOYS: SMAs

DESIGN GOALS

- ⊙ Characterize phase relations, kinetics, and strengthening behavior in $L2_1$ Heusler strengthened low-Ni, high-strength “hybrid” (Pd,Ni)(Ti,Zr,Al) and Ni-free (Pd,Fe)(Ti,Al) alloy systems for SMA design with enhanced cyclic stability.
- ⊙ Employ FEA simulation of fatigue nucleation to predictively optimize inclusion distribution for enhanced minimum UHCF fatigue performance.



-Completed doctoral thesis of Dr. Dana Frankel (MSE) demonstrated superelastic peak-strengthened Ni-free alloy with high thermal cyclic stability and low hysteresis. Transformable low-Ni Pd-Zr hybrid prototype calibrated role of misfit in strengthening efficiency.

-FEA modeling performed in student team collaboration with Dr. John Moore (ME) used an image-based mesh to predict 2X minimum UHCF fatigue property improvement with 3X inclusion size refinement.

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Dow-Corning Collaborators

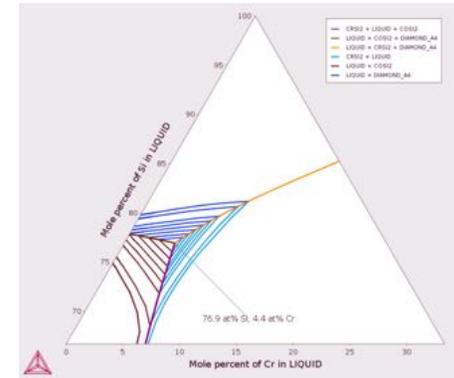
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IN-SITU SI COMPOSITES

using computations, verified databases, and experiments, in collaboration with Dow Corning, to design **high performance Si-based composite materials** for structural applications which are both tough and melt castable. The focus of the use-case group is on Si-Cr-Ti-Co alloys.

DOW CORNING

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In-situ Si Composites

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- Kwon Skinner (Dow-Corning),
- Andres Becerra (Dow-Corning),
- Lance Wu (Dow-Corning)
- James Warren, Ursula Kattner (NIST)
- Kwon Skinner was located at Northwestern part time
- Northwestern team visited Dow Corning
- NIST Postdoc spends 3 months a year at CHiMaD
- CHiMaD student spent 2-3 weeks at NIST
- Met every two weeks with Dow-Corning

Interactions with Dow-Corning

- An accurate description of phase equilibria in the Si-Cr-Ti system is needed
- In collaboration with NIST, Matt Peters produced an assessment using publically available data
- Dow-Corning then augmented this dataset with their proprietary data
- This data was used to design alloys that avoid cracking on solidification
- Last year a new Chief Technical Officer was hired and the program was cancelled



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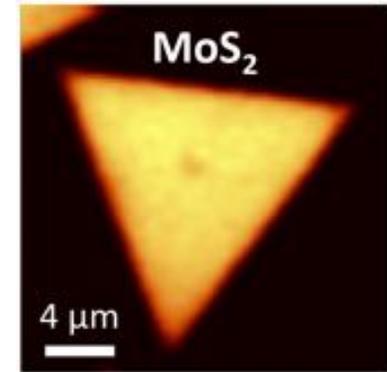
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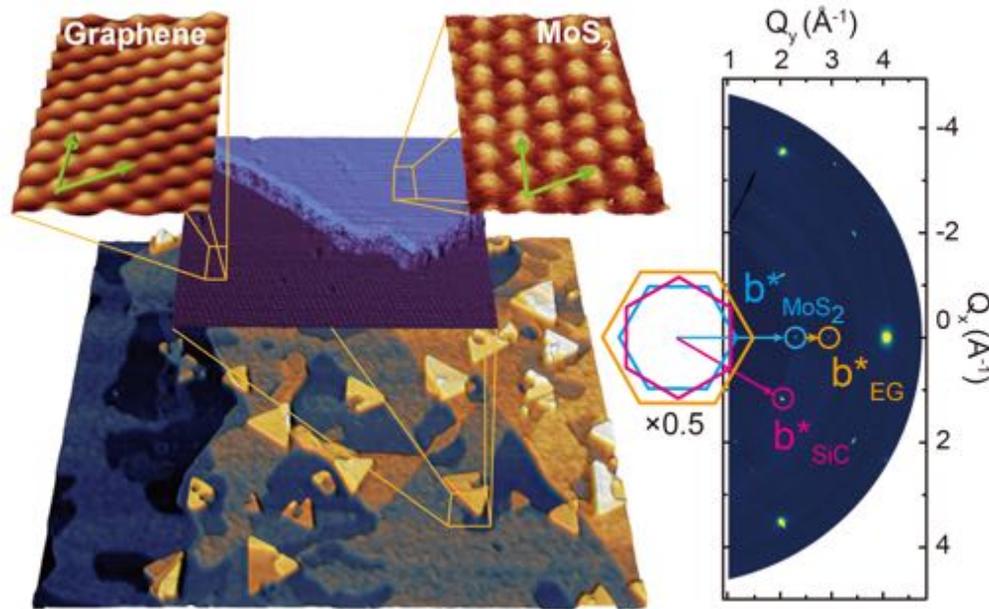
2D HETEROSTRUCTURES FOR ELECTRONICS

to understand and realize p-type and n-type doping in the low-dimensional limit. The interplay between experiment and computation accelerates the understanding and design of doped low-dimensional nanoelectronic materials and their heterostructures.

LOW-DIMENSIONAL NANOELECTRONIC MATERIALS

DESIGN GOALS

- ⊙ *Control Doping and Carrier Concentration in Low-Dimensional Semiconductors*
- ⊙ *Develop Heterostructures Consisting of Low-Dimensional Nanoelectronic Materials*



Atomically resolved scanning probe microscopy and synchrotron X-ray scattering reveal rotational commensurability in MoS₂/graphene heterostructures.

- MoS₂/graphene heterostructures have been realized by chemical vapor deposition.
- The van der Waals interactions between MoS₂ and epitaxial graphene on SiC lead to rotationally commensurate growth.
- Rotational commensurability implies exceptionally low defect density and significantly reduced angular distribution for grain boundaries.
- The improved crystal quality has positive implications for electronic/optoelectronic properties and applications.

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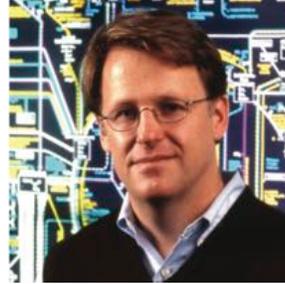
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DIRECTED SELF-ASSEMBLY OF BLOCK COPOLYMERS

to revolutionize nanomanufacturing. the interest and exponential growth in research activity and expenditure is driven by the semiconductor industry.



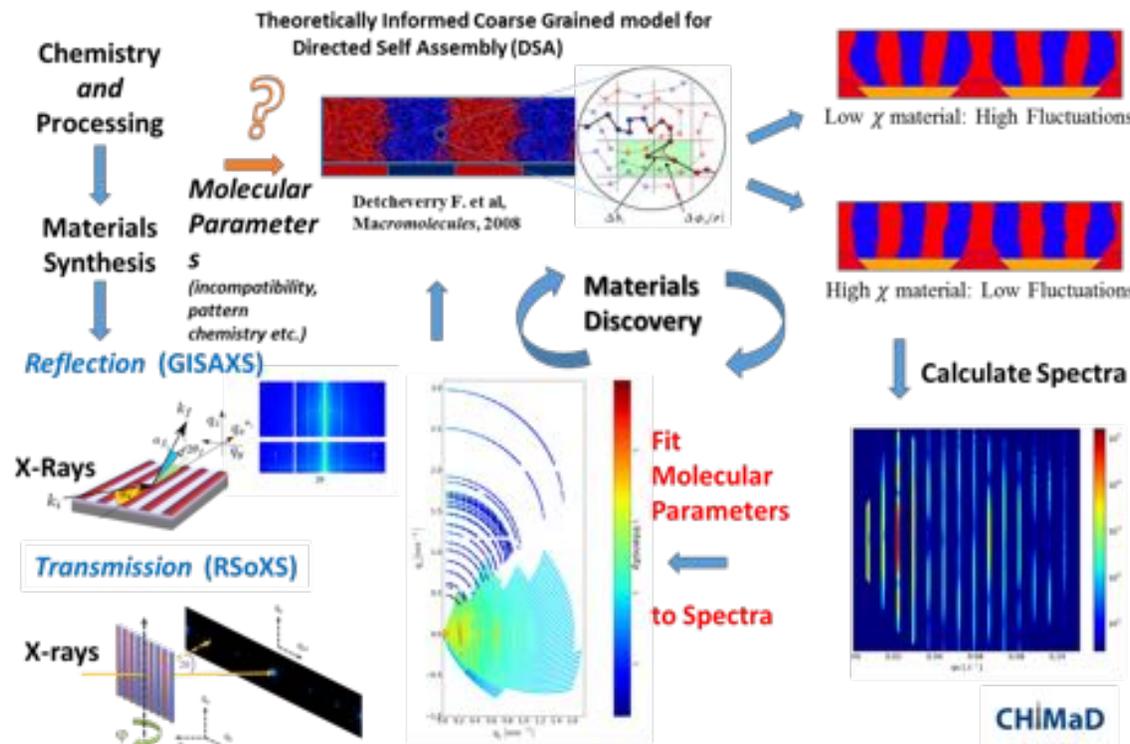
DIRECTED SELF-ASSEMBLY OF BLOCK COPOLYMERS

DESIGN GOALS

- ⊙ *Materials and processes for sub 10 nm lithography, Scaling to 5 nm resolution - Lines and spaces*
- ⊙ *Meet manufacturing constraints (Defects ($.01/cm^2$); CD uniformity, LER/LWR (<1 nm))*
- ⊙ *Beyond structure-property relationships - Dynamics of DSA systems and the impact on defectivity*
- ⊙ *Self-aligned DSA of multi-color manufacturing-relevant patterns using triblock copolymers*

Experiments with ultra-high information content

Develop and validate predictive models of materials and processes



- Physics-based model
- Inputs: >20 process and material parameters
- Solved using evolutionary algorithms
- Outputs:
 - Simultaneous optimization of process and material properties towards design goals
 - Material properties - many of which cannot be measured directly
 - Quantitative fully three-dimensional structure

A new MGI paradigm for developing hierarchical mesoscale structures and processes



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POLYMER MATRIX COMPOSITES

to develop a “materials informatics initiative” including integrated databases, curation, visualization, and analysis tools to relate macroscale polymer composite behavior to chemical constituent and kinetic behavior, and linking these resources to further development of high-performance modeling and predictive tools

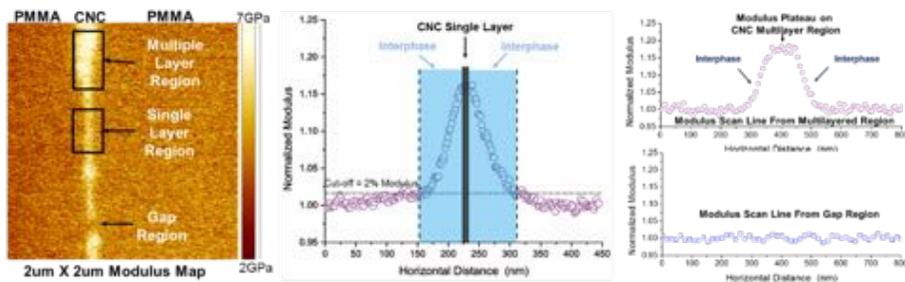


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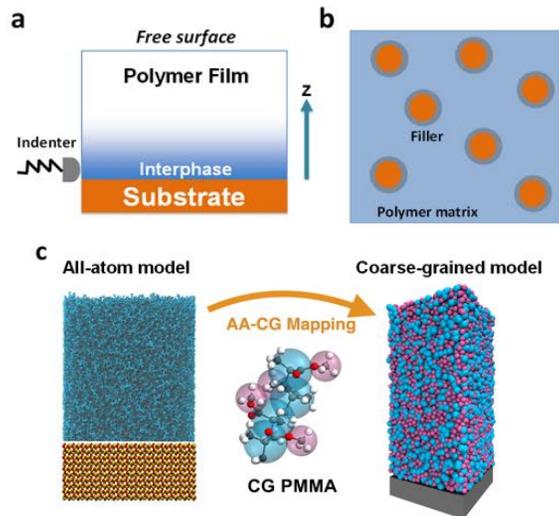
DESIGN GOALS

- ⊙ Develop design rules to tune the properties and service life of polymer matrix composites
- ⊙ Manipulate and tune the interphase and the resultant bulk materials properties of nanocellulose-polymer nanocomposites utilizing databases, models, and experimental tools.

Experiments to quantify interphase properties

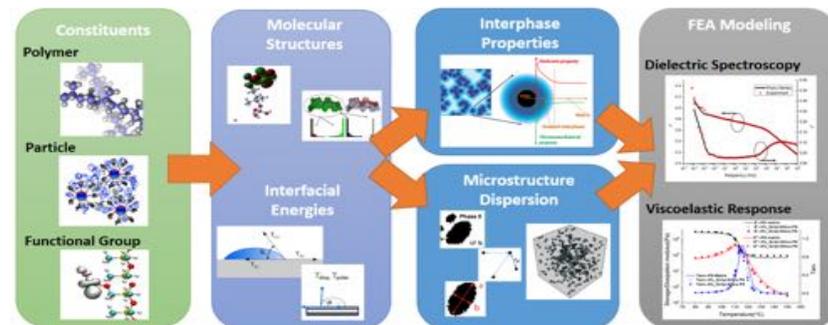


Multiscale modeling for nanoscale and bulk properties

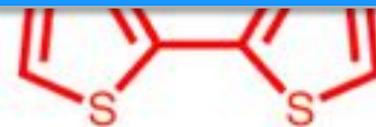


- ⊙ Data-driven modeling of processing & interfacial energies -> microstructure dispersion
- ⊙ Integration of multi-scale modeling and experimental efforts to investigate local property gradient at interphase
- ⊙ Nanocomposite data resource built with NIST Material Data Curator (NanoMine) with predictive analysis and modeling
- ⊙ Collaborations and interactions for nanocomposite characterization (e.g. Owens Corning, NIMS)

Data resource, data-driven modeling and material design



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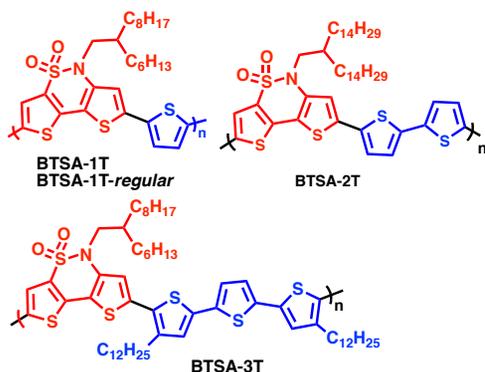
ORGANIC BULK HETEROJUNCTION POLYMER SOLAR CELLS

bulk heterojunction organic solar cells (OSCs) represent an alternative solar energy harvesting system. New polymers and theoretical methods developed will deepen our understanding in structure/property relationship and push the performance of OSCs towards commercial applications.

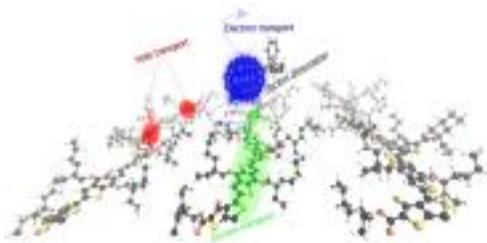
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DESIGN GOALS

Apply MGI principles to critical issues in structure/function and processing/structure relationships to accelerate OPV device development.

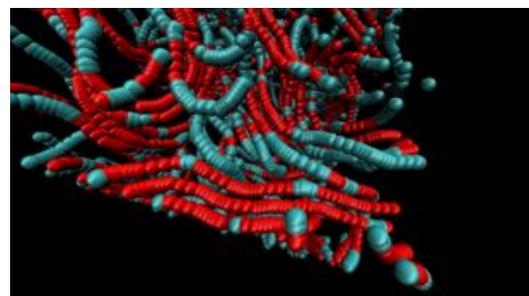
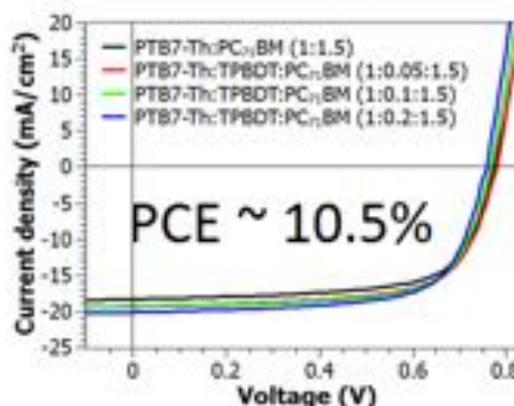


New Second Generation Building Blocks



Electronic structure properties

New Ternary OPV



Molecular dynamic simulation of new Bulk PTB7



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SOFT MATTER DESIGN BASED ON CHARGE COMPLEXATION

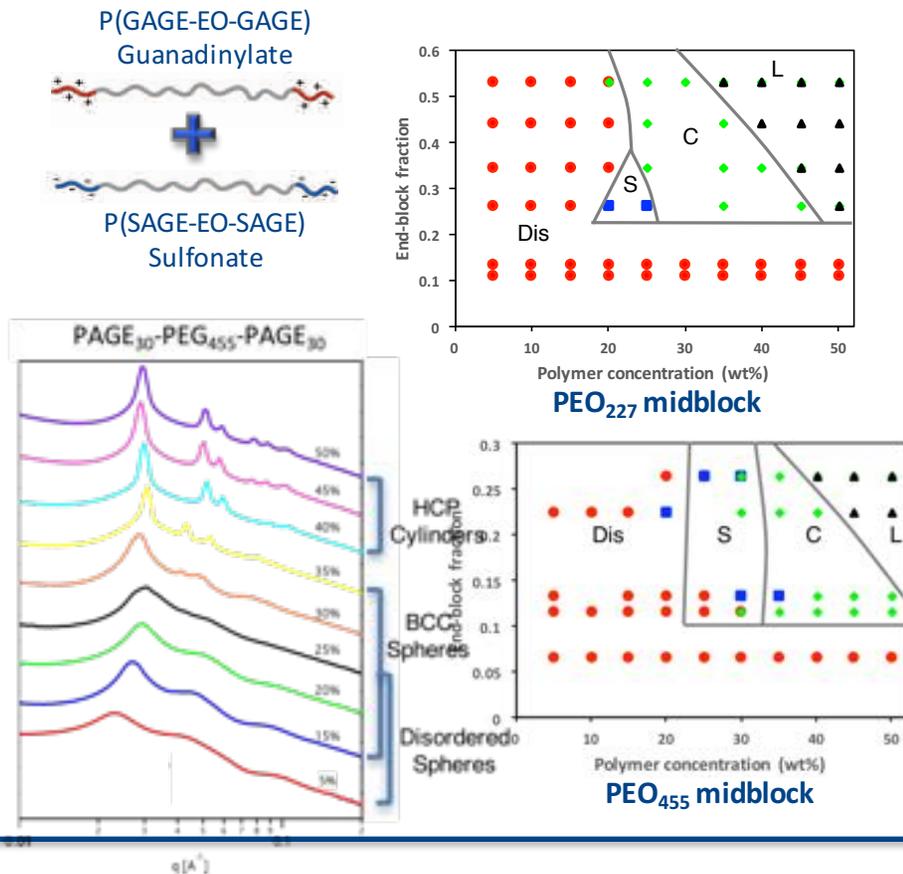
to develop **new materials based on multi-valent ionic interactions**. This can yield new types of self-assembled structures. Knowledge of the as-yet unexplored phase behavior of polyelectrolyte complexes is scientifically significant and technologically relevant.

SOFT MATTER DESIGN BASED ON CHARGE COMPLEXATION

DESIGN GOALS

- ⊙ Control hydrogel bulk structure by varying lengths of molecular constituents and polymer loading
- ⊙ Tune hydrogel sensitivity to salt and pH by varying block lengths, based on advances in reliable experimental phase diagrams and predictive theory
- ⊙ Combination of salt, pH and macromolecular structure gives tunable moduli
- ⊙ Extension to polypeptide materials with desired biocompatibility and biodegradability envisioned

- ⊙ Electrostatically cross-linked hydrogels obtained from mixing aqueous solutions of A_+BA_+ and A_-BA_- triblock copolymers
- ⊙ Polyelectrolyte complex (PEC) domains serve as tunable cross-links
- ⊙ The ratio of charged:neutral block size determines
 - Size and spacing of the PEC domains
 - Aggregation number
- ⊙ PEC morphology varies with polymer loading
- ⊙ Morphology phase diagram in excellent agreement with the SCFT predictions
- ⊙ Combining block size ratio and polymer loading variations allow for tunable mechanical properties





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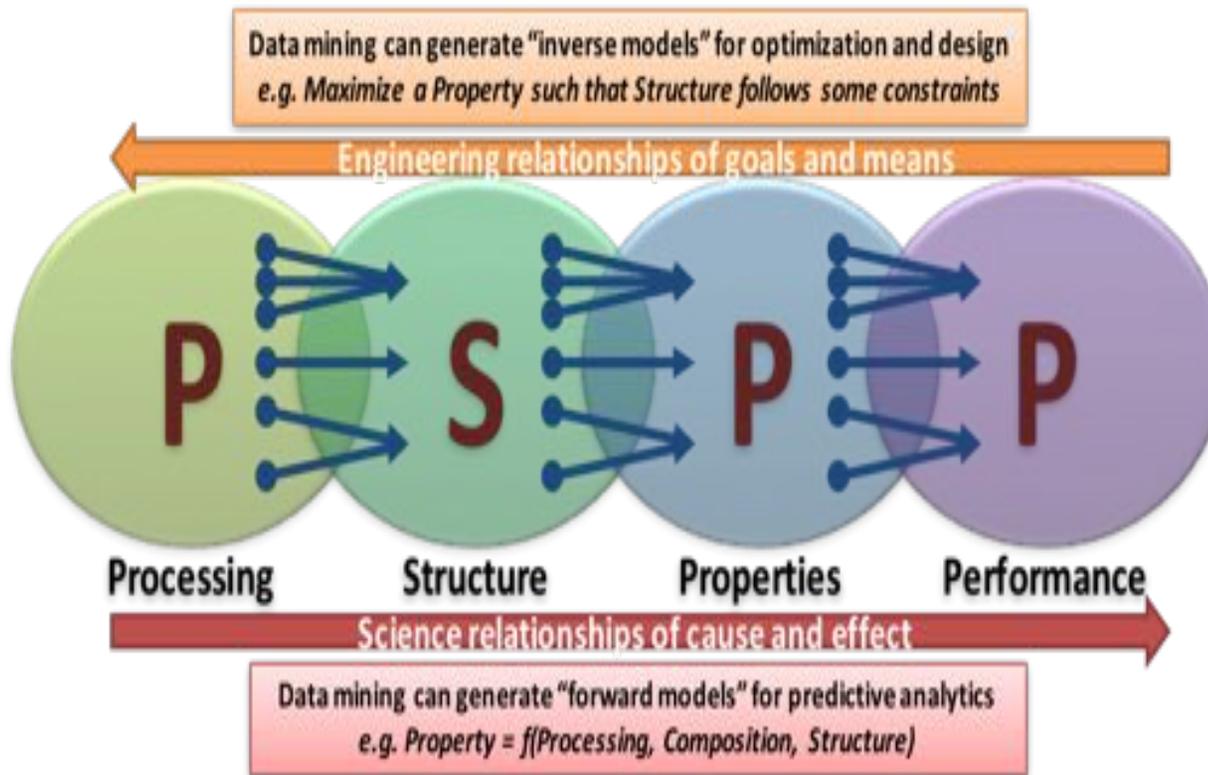
DATA MINING

To make significant advances in **data-driven informatics** to accelerate materials discovery

DATA MINING

GOALS

- ⊙ Developing data-driven informatics to accelerate materials discovery and design
- ⊙ Extracting actionable insights at unprecedented latency via bottom-up and hypothesis-driven discoveries
- ⊙ Data mining on various heterogeneous and big databases that are complex, high dimensional, structured and semi-structured



Research Accomplishments and Ongoing Efforts

- Integrating CALPHAD and Data Mining for Advanced Steel Design
- Composition-based Machine Learning Framework for Predicting Inorganic Material Properties
- Supervised Learning-based Microstructure Characterization and Reconstruction
- Fast Models for Properties of Crystalline Compounds Using Voronoi Tessellations and Machine Learning
- Classification of Scientific Journal Articles to Support NIST Data Curation Efforts
- Towards Designing OPV devices using Data Mining



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OUTREACH

Towards a resource for the community

ASM Materials Genome Toolkit

- ▶ Toolkit includes main materials design software: *ThermoCalc*, *DICTRA*, *PRISMA*
- ▶ Awarded 7 schools with the toolkit in 2015; awarded schools took *1st*, *2nd*, *3rd* place at *2015 ASM Undergraduate Design Competition*

Outreach activities

- ▶ Phase Field Methods Workshop I-II & Hackathon
- ▶ Materials Design Workshop I-II
- ▶ Semi-automated Database Creation course (UC)
- ▶ Scientific Symposium on Multivalent Interactions in Polyelectrolytes
- ▶ Advances & Challenges in Soft Photovoltaic Research
- ▶ SRG Meeting

MGI Seminar Series

15 Seminars by international colleagues, broadcast live to CHiMaD institutions

Outreach to underrepresented groups

- ▶ Broadcast MAT 390: Materials Design (Olson) to FSU
- ▶ Negotiated a full 3-year Toolkit license for FSU, at no-cost to FSU
- ▶ Nana Ofori-Opoku gave a seminar at FSU
- ▶ (2016 Summer) UC Summer Course in collaboration with *Chicago Collegiate Scholars Program*
- ▶ (2016 Summer) Student sponsored under NU-MRSEC REU program, working on CHiMaD project

Databases



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TOOL DEVELOPMENT

Addressing the no data and the big data challenges

CALPHAD Protodata Databases



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- Tie lines, thermochemical data, elastic constants, Unlike assessed CALPHAD databases, which can be proprietary, this will be open
- Si, Co, and low Ni-SMA alloy systems
- NIST Data Curator

NanoMine



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processing, structure and property
parameters for polymer nanocomposite
systems

<http://nanomine.northwestern.edu:8000>

Polymer Design



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characteristic properties
for design of polymer
blends and copolymers for
engineering applications

ACS very supportive of our effort and is interested
in collaborating

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DATABASES

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- Objectives:
 - *publish* data to MDF storage, along with associated metadata
 - *discover* interesting data
 - *access* the data (and analysis and display where needed)
- The Facility:
 - allows users to share the *large* datasets
 - has cloud-hosted publication and discovery services
 - employs high-performance physical storage
 - Uploaded 10 TB of 4D tomographic data
 - <https://materialsdatafacility.org>

Software and Experimental Tools

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Community-Standard Phase Field Methods



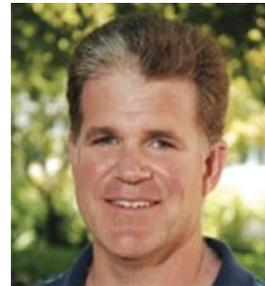
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Key computational method, but needs to be utilized as a materials design tool

Phase Field Methods Workshop I - Jan 9

Phase Field Methods Hackathon - Oct 14

Phase Field Methods Workshop II - Oct-15/16

Workshop III & Hackathon - May 3-5



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Fatigue
Modeling
using
Phase Field
Methods

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SOFTWARE

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Rapid Assessment of Phase Relations



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will develop the thermodynamic and mobility database for the highest priority alloying elements

Resonant Soft X-Ray Scattering



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will allow to follow evolution of polymer nanostructures for the directed self-assembly

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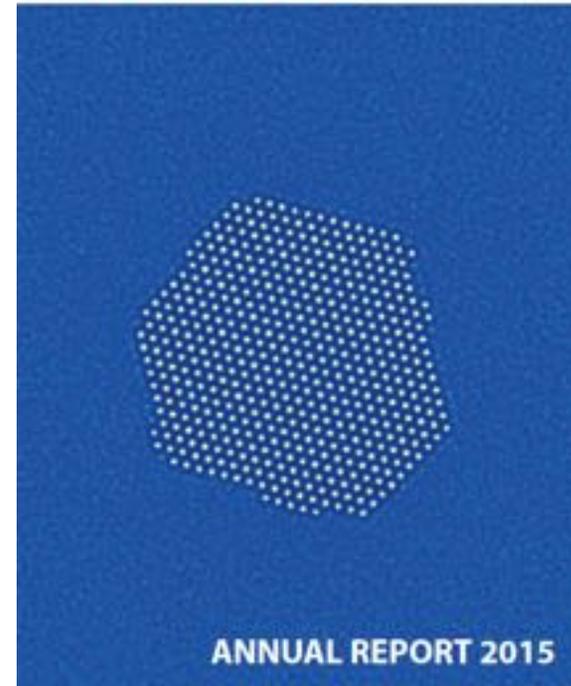
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Seed Groups

A Few Metrics

After 1.5 years of funding:

2015	2016	
10	42	Publications by CHiMaD researchers, accepted or published. (Does not include Use-Case group, NIST only publications)
71	145	Presentations delivered by CHiMaD researchers
18	40	NIST Collaborators
10	15	MGI Seminars hosted
1	3	PIs that spent time at NIST for research purposes. (Does not include workshops)



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