



MATERIALS PRIORITIES AT ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY



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Argonne accelerates science and technology for U.S. prosperity and security

- Pivotal discoveries
- Innovative collaborations
- Unparalleled facilities



DIVERSIFIED RESEARCH PORTFOLIO

\$1.02 Billion in FY2020

End-to-end, from discovery to application

User facilities integrated with our research

Collaborations within and outside Argonne

ARGONNE IS FOCUSED ON SOLVING BIG PROBLEMS IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

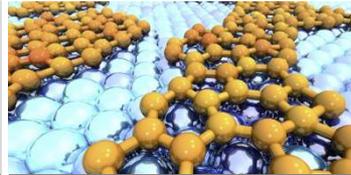
MAJOR INITIATIVES



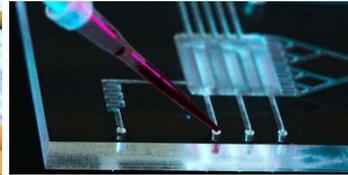
Hard X-ray
Science



Advanced
Computing



Materials and
Chemistry

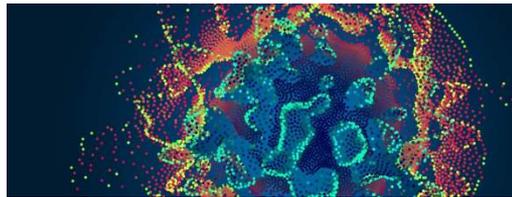


Manufacturing
Science &
Engineering

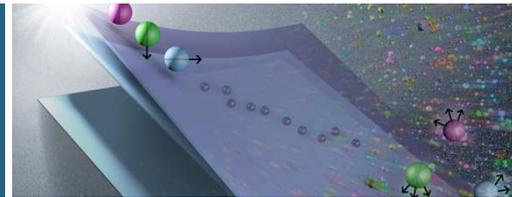


Universe
as Our Lab

EMERGING INITIATIVES



Artificial
Intelligence
for Science



Quantum
Information
Science

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR SCIENCE

In ten years ...

Learned models
begin to replace
data

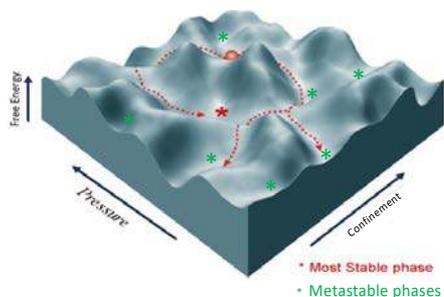
Experimental
discovery processes
change dramatically

Many questions
are pursued
semi-autonomously
at scale

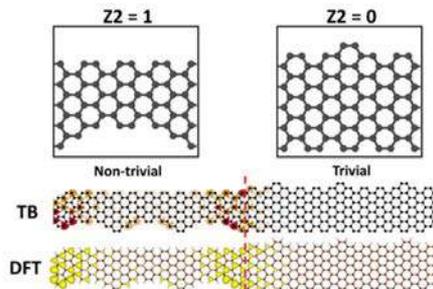
Simulation and AI
approaches merge

Theory becomes
data for next-
generation AI

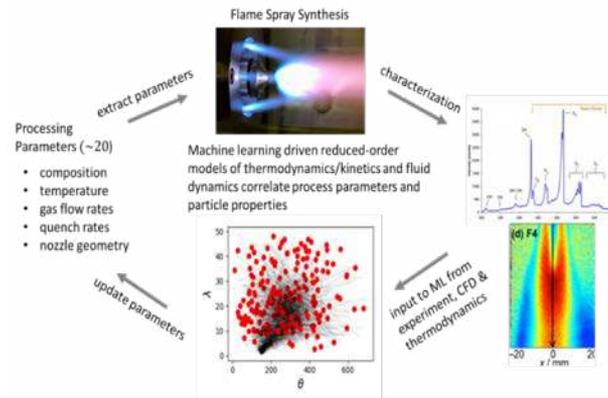
AI + MATERIALS PORTFOLIO



Energy Landscapes

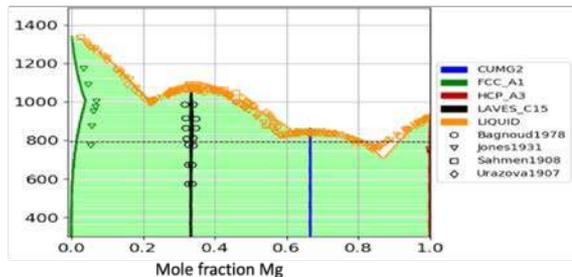


Design of Topological Matter



Process Control

Cu-Mg phase diagram

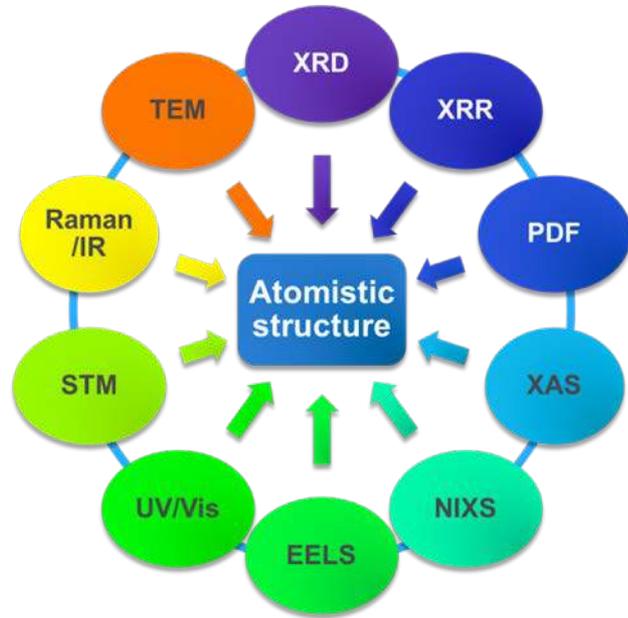


Phase Diagrams

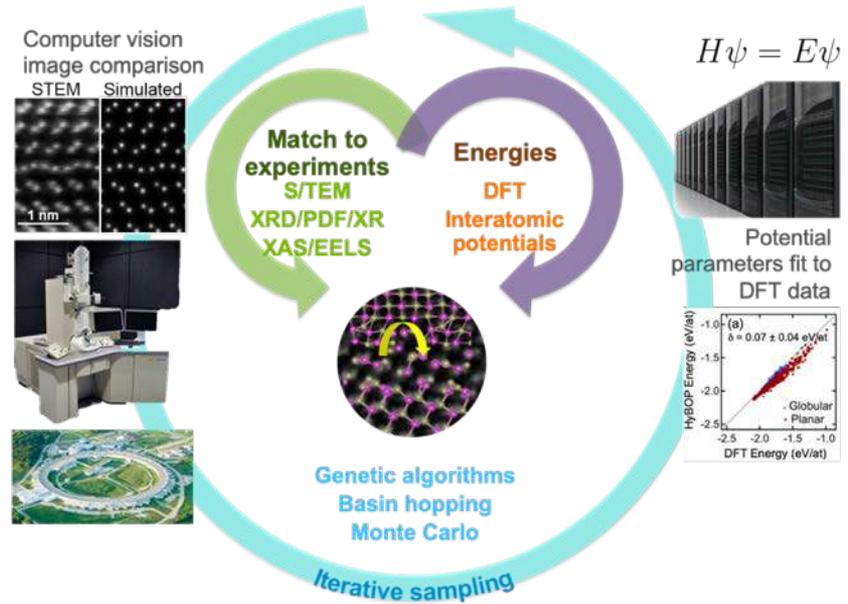
- Image analysis
- X-ray spectroscopy
- Battery lifetime prediction

\$4.4 M lab internal investment over 2 years

FANTASTX



Multimodal Data Streams



- Use AI to automate search, learning, and pattern matching
- Use physics to restrict atomic structures to viable solutions

EXASCALE + AI

Coming in 2021



Early Science

Exascale Computational Catalysis
PI: David Bross, Argonne

**Accelerated Deep Learning
Discovery in Fusion Energy Science**
PI: William Tang, PPPL

Virtual Drug Response Prediction
PI: Rick Stevens, Argonne

QUANTUM INFORMATION SCIENCE

Chicago
Quantum Exchange

Materials discovery
for next-generation
QIS devices

Quantum
sensing

Quantum
networking

Computational
techniques

CHICAGO QUANTUM EXCHANGE



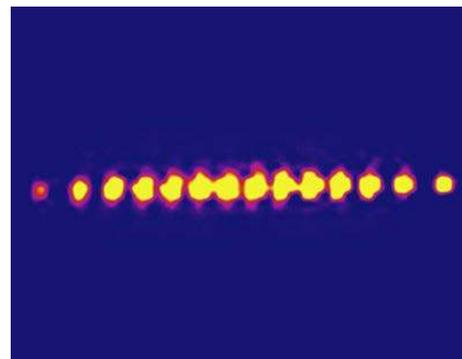
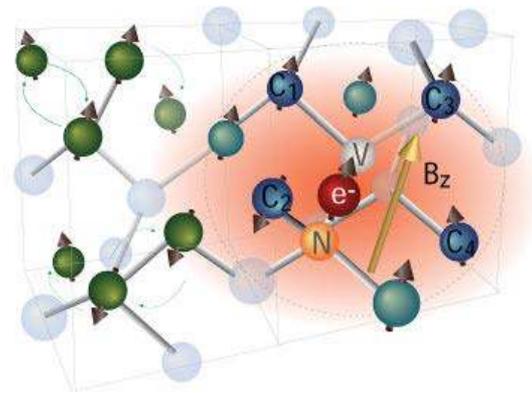
IBM



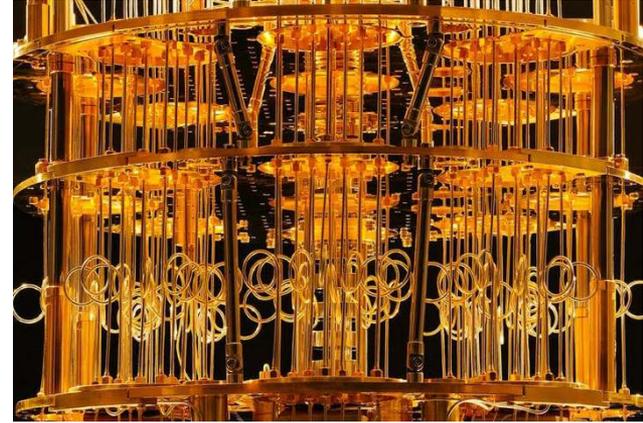
Quantum Opus

- Lab - University - Industry quantum consortium
- Materials — Devices — Systems
- National Quantum Initiative Hub

QUANTUM NETWORKING



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IBM 53-qubit
quantum computer

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Quantum Network

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- 30 mile Chicago area quantum fiber network, node at Argonne
- Study quantum entanglement in a long-distance fiber network under “real-world” operating conditions
- Generate long distance entanglement in **solid-state matter qubits** with high fidelity and throughput
- **Materials agnostic testbed for fundamental quantum information science:** decoherence, channel capacity, entanglement fidelity, non-locality, quantum noise and errors



Argonne node fiber network box



BlueFORS 7 mK dilution refrigerator



Sutter Instruments P-2000 laser-based fiber puller



POLYMER INNOVATION

**AI-driven
experimental
laboratory**

**Processes
to upcycle
homogeneous
plastic waste**

**Processes
to efficiently
transform mixed
plastic waste**

**New polymers that
minimize waste via
chemical circularity**

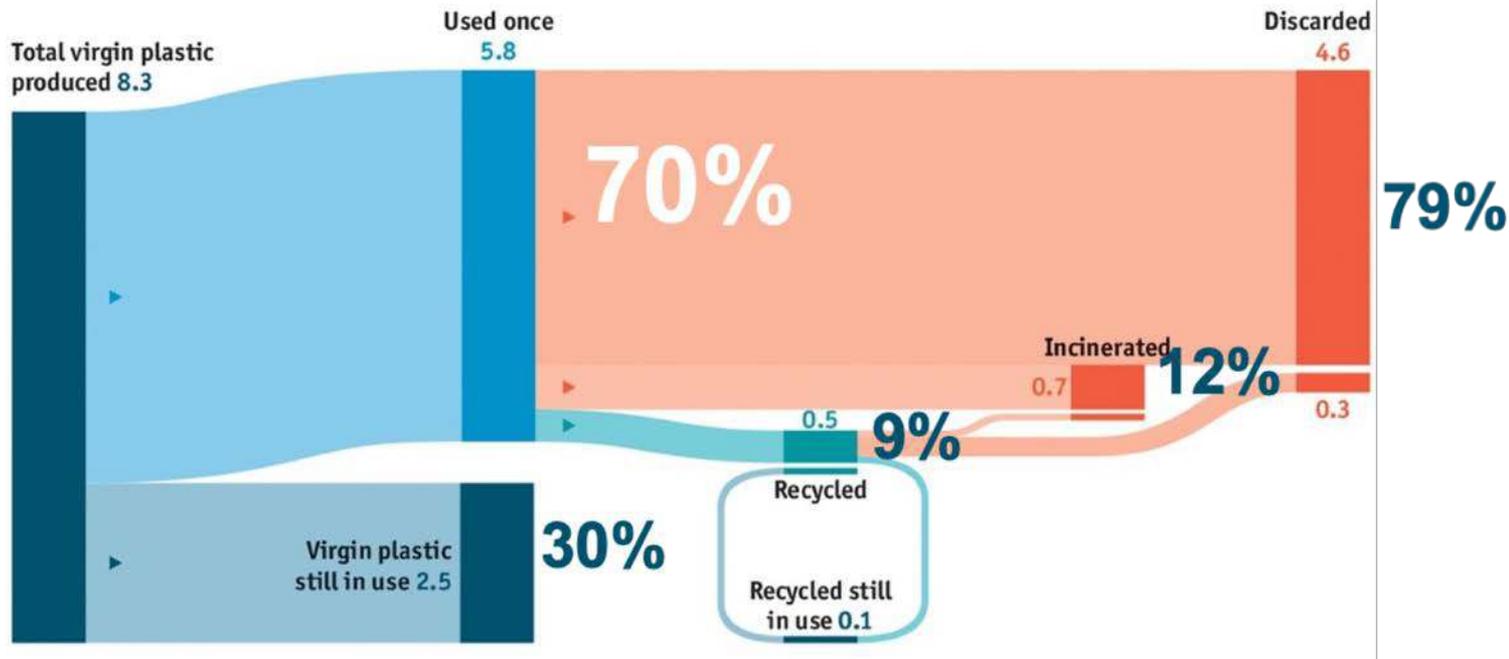
**Deeper insights into
polymer chemistry
and properties**

THE PROBLEM



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<10% recycled



Source: "Production, use, and fate of all plastics ever made" by R. Geyer et al., Science Advances, 2017

ARGONNE'S APPROACH TO DEALING WITH THE PLASTIC PROBLEM

Design plastics for recycling

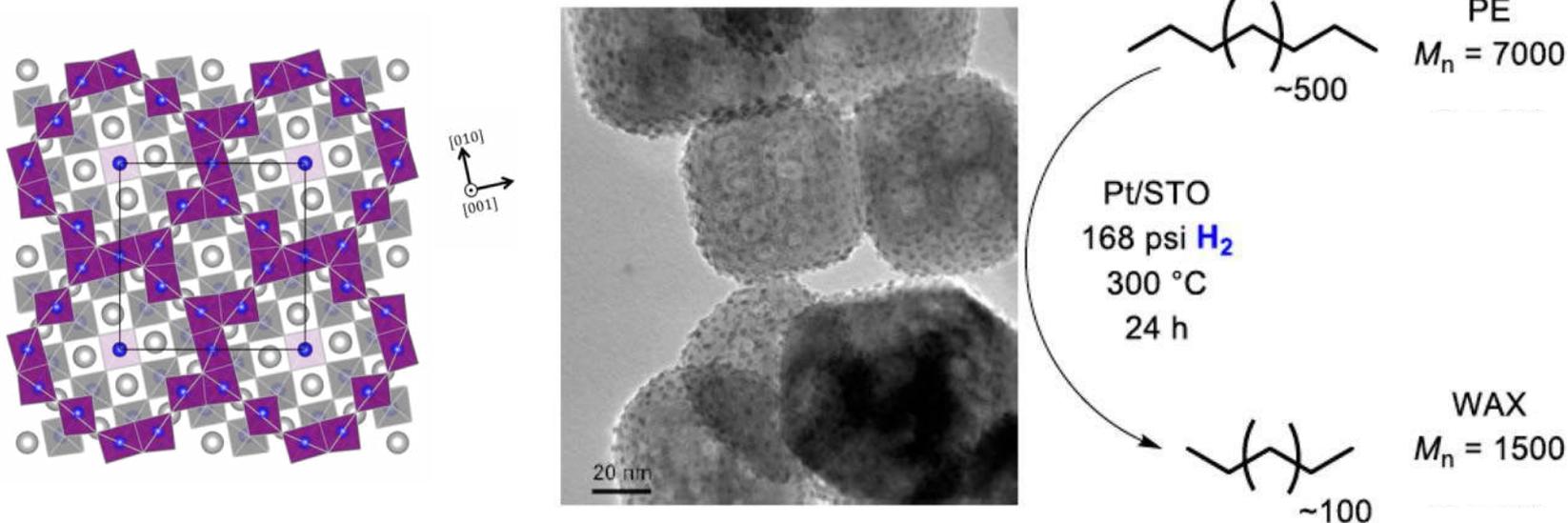
Find inexpensive ways to **separate mixtures** of plastics

Innovate new ways to **deconstruct plastics**

Study environmental impact of plastic waste

Chopping Polyethylene

Polyethylene Chopping Performance over Supported Platinum Nanoparticle Arrays on Strontium Titanate

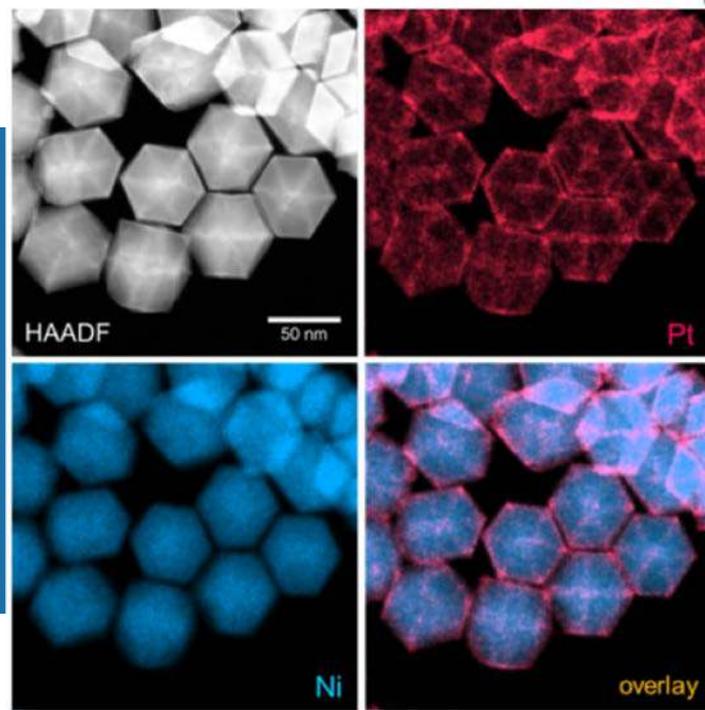


STO nanocrystals treated by ALD

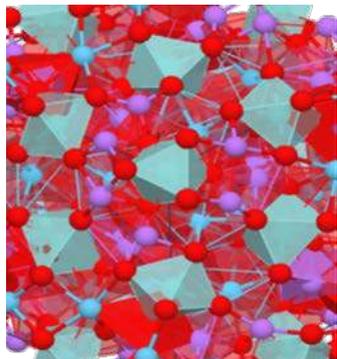
MANUFACTURING SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Innovative, high-performance materials offer the potential to transform energy technology

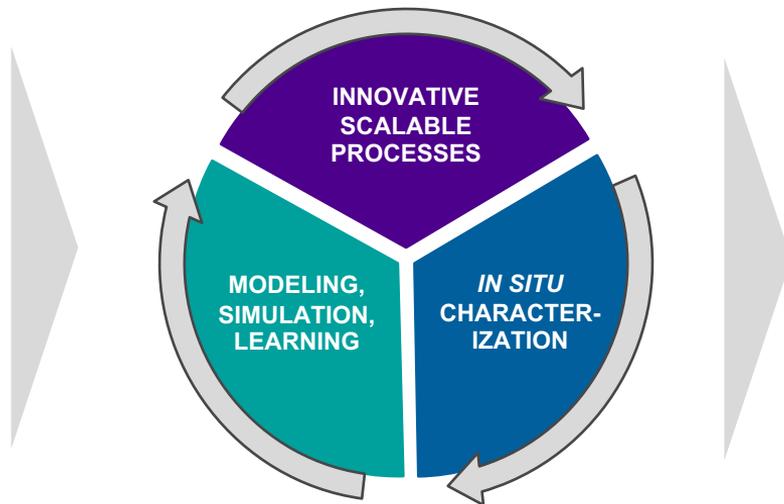
To realize this potential, radically new process technologies are essential



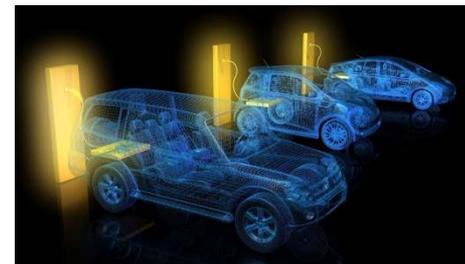
A SCIENCE-BASED APPROACH TO MANUFACTURING



Discovery Science



Scale-up and Manufacturing
Process Development



Devices, Systems, and
Commercial Technologies

**These are highly specialized capabilities requiring
unique, co-located facilities and expertise**

MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING RESEARCH FACILITY (MERF)



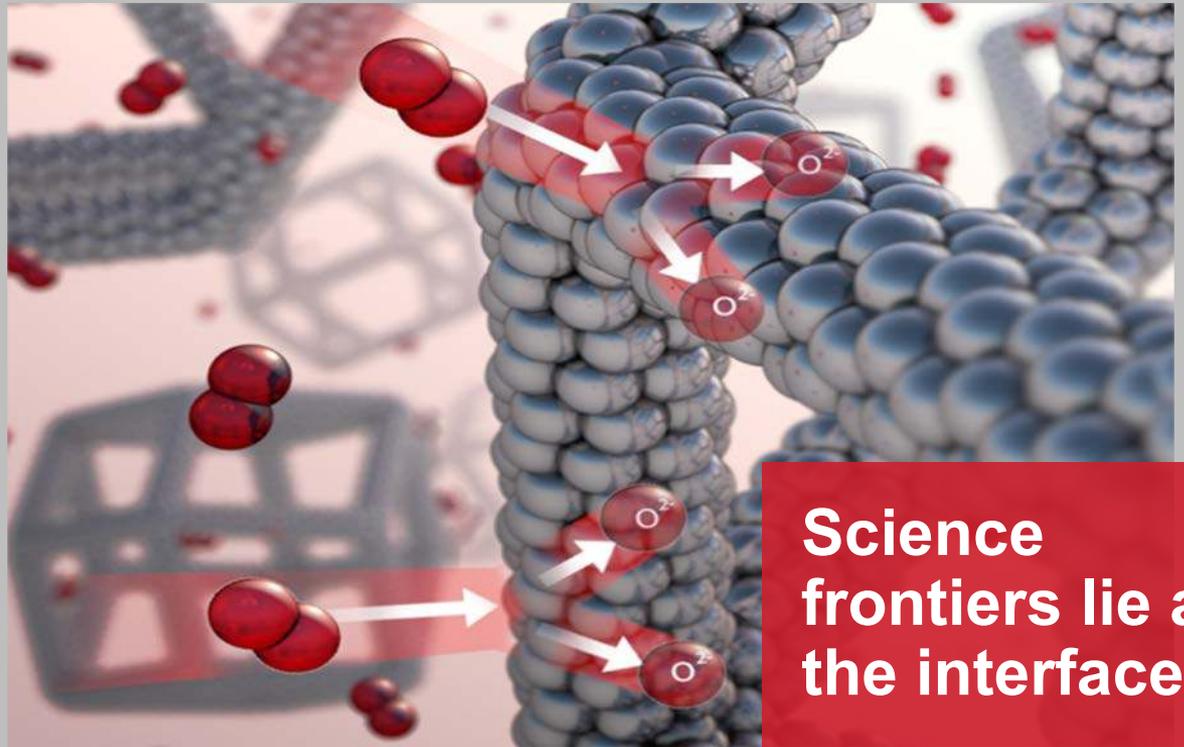
MERF capabilities include:

- Evaluation of emerging manufacturing technologies
- Scale-up of newly discovered materials
- Analysis and refinement of processes for materials synthesis
- Providing kilogram quantities of novel materials to industry for testing
- Development of analytical methods and quality control procedures for new material specifications

MATERIALS AND CHEMISTRY

Rules-Based Approach

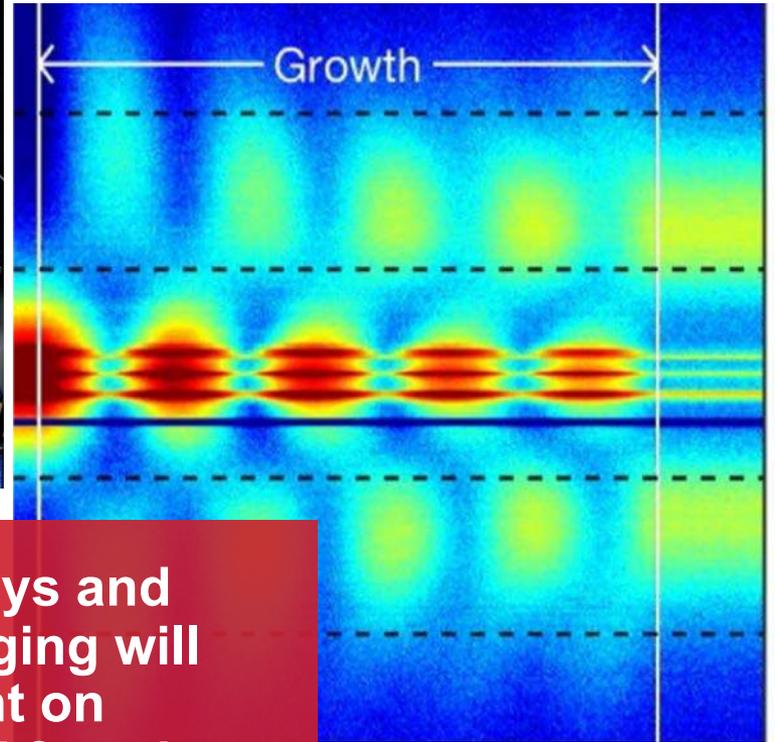
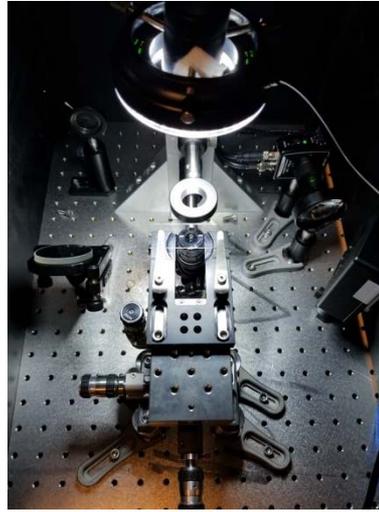
- Science begins with synthesis.
- Watch and learn
- Growing smarter



**Science
frontiers lie at
the interface**

Rules-Based Approach

- Science begins with synthesis
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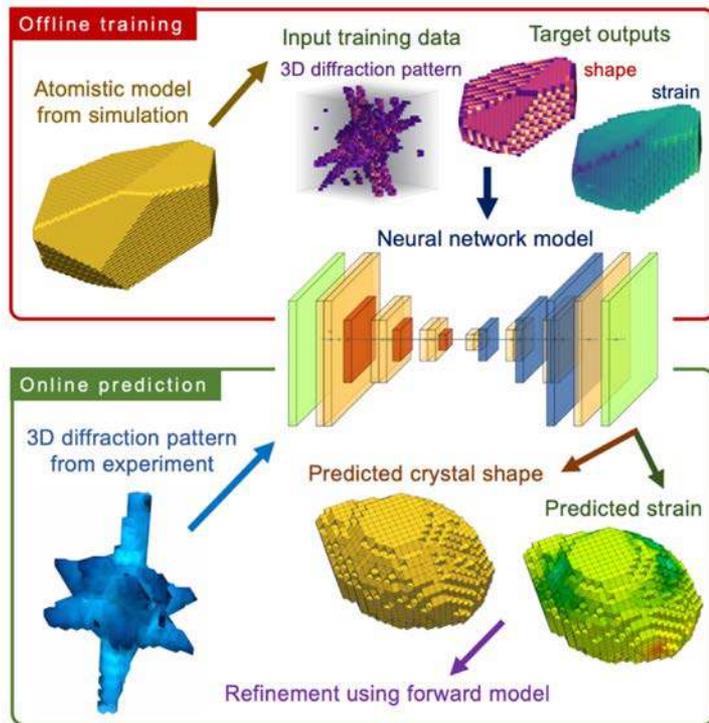


Coherent x-rays and quantum imaging will shed new light on synthesis and function.

AI and data science are poised to revolutionize how we discover and understand matter.

Rules-Based Approach

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- **Growing smarter**



SCIENCE INVESTMENTS

Interfacial Processes:

Ion Transport in Heterogeneous Materials: Using coherent x-rays to probe structure and dynamics of ion motion in liquids and solids

Defect Assemblies and Interactions:

Advanced Characterization of Polytypic SiC for Quantum Technologies:
Designing in situ x-ray reactor for SiC growth studies

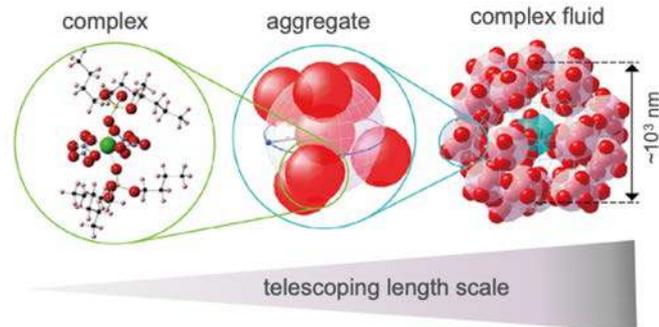
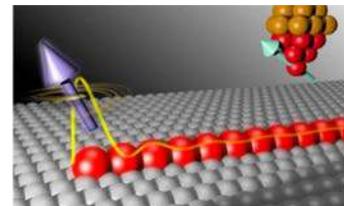
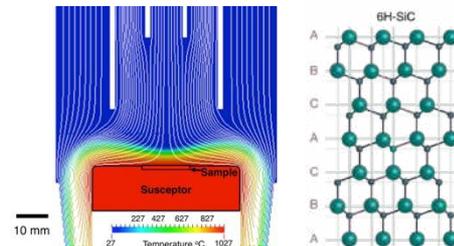
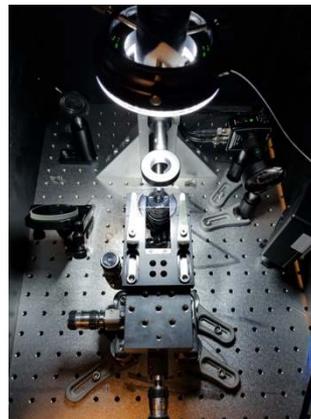
Multiscale Correlations and Hierarchies in Solutions:

Coupling Data Science and in situ multimodal probes for Materials Synthesis:
Predicting and following synthesis and crystallization pathways from melts

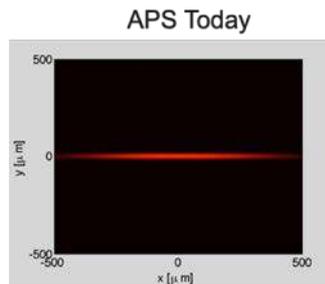
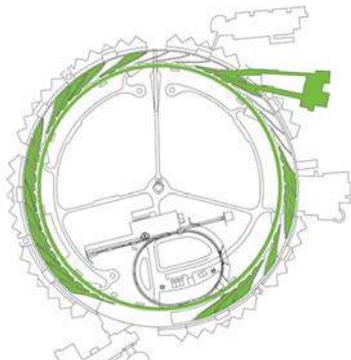
Quantum Materials:

Ultrafast Time-resolved Quantum Ghost Imaging: Using entangled photons to explore dynamic processes via pump-probe

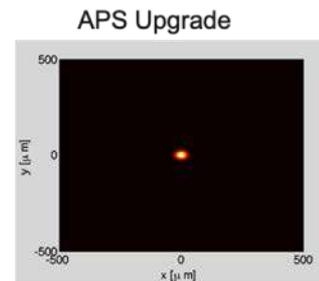
Atomic Synthesis of Artificial Lattices for Quantum Simulation: Creating quantum simulators from precision-placed atoms



APS-UPGRADE: COHERENT X-RAYS



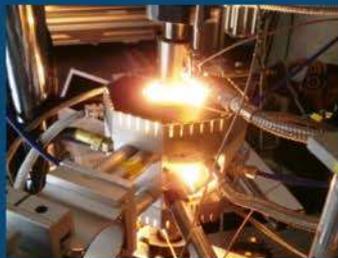
$\epsilon_0 = 3100 \text{ pm}$



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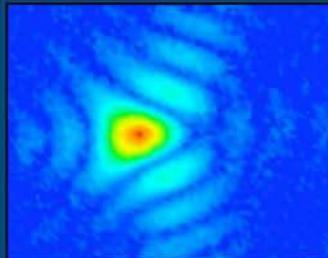
High Energy

Penetrating bulk materials
and operating systems



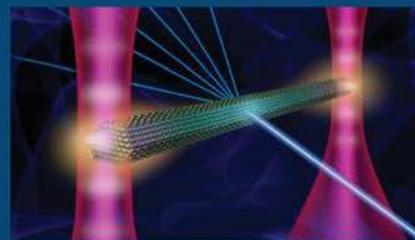
Brightness/Coherence

Highest possible spatial
resolution/dynamics

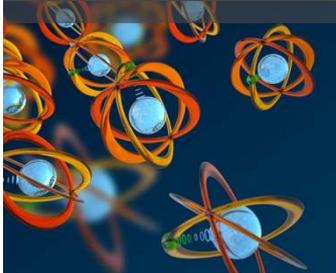


Time-Resolved Studies

Measurements from
 $\sim 100 \text{ ps}$ to seconds



PARTNERSHIPS ADVANCE SCIENCE

WATER	ENERGY STORAGE	QUANTUM
		
Advanced Materials for Energy-Water Systems Center	Joint Center for Energy Storage Research	Chicago Quantum Exchange
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- Quantum
- Advanced Manufacturing
- Polymer Life Cycle
- AI/Data
- Interface Science