

Advancing Nano-Biotechnology

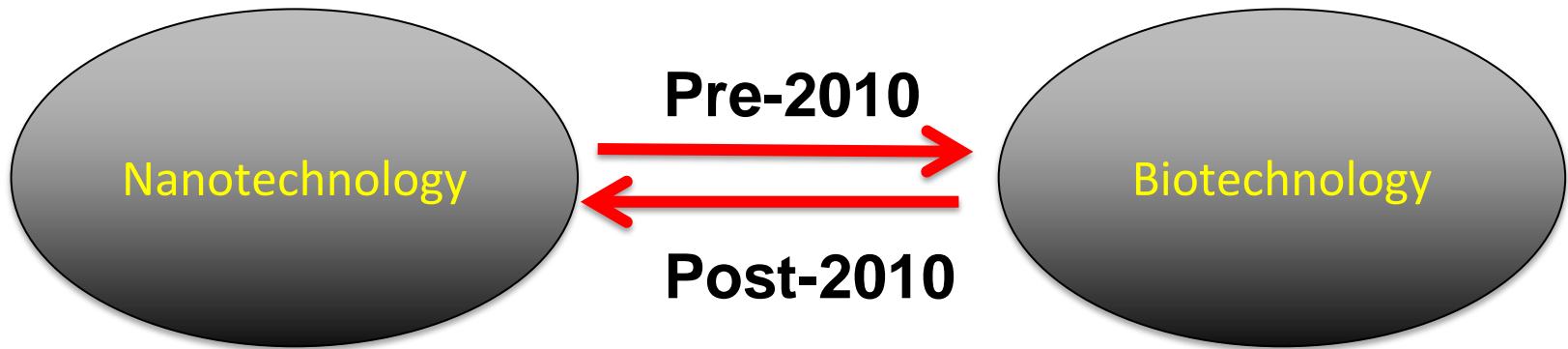


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New York's Nanotechnology Model at Work in Biotechnology

- Tremendous leveraging of NIH, NSF, DOE, and DOD funding
- Opportunities for upstate engineering and downstate biomedical research collaborations
- Entry of “big data” into the nano-biotechnology research space
- Innovation occurs by exploring new ways to use biotechnology and leading to new products, processes, and businesses
- NY State has a unique opportunity to extend its “nanotech model” to biotechnology, and engage more the federal government and a broader range of industries

Contrasting Nanotechnology and Biotechnology



Advantages:

- Processing/Manufacturing
- Man-made
- Collaboratively established

Disadvantages:

- Difficult to control < 50 nm
- Limited compatibility with biological systems
- Not environmentally benign

Advantages:

- Exquisite selectivity in shape, size, biochemistry
- Nature “invested” billions of years to develop
- Environmentally benign and biocompatible

Disadvantages:

- Nature is smarter than us
- Isolationism with little collaboration

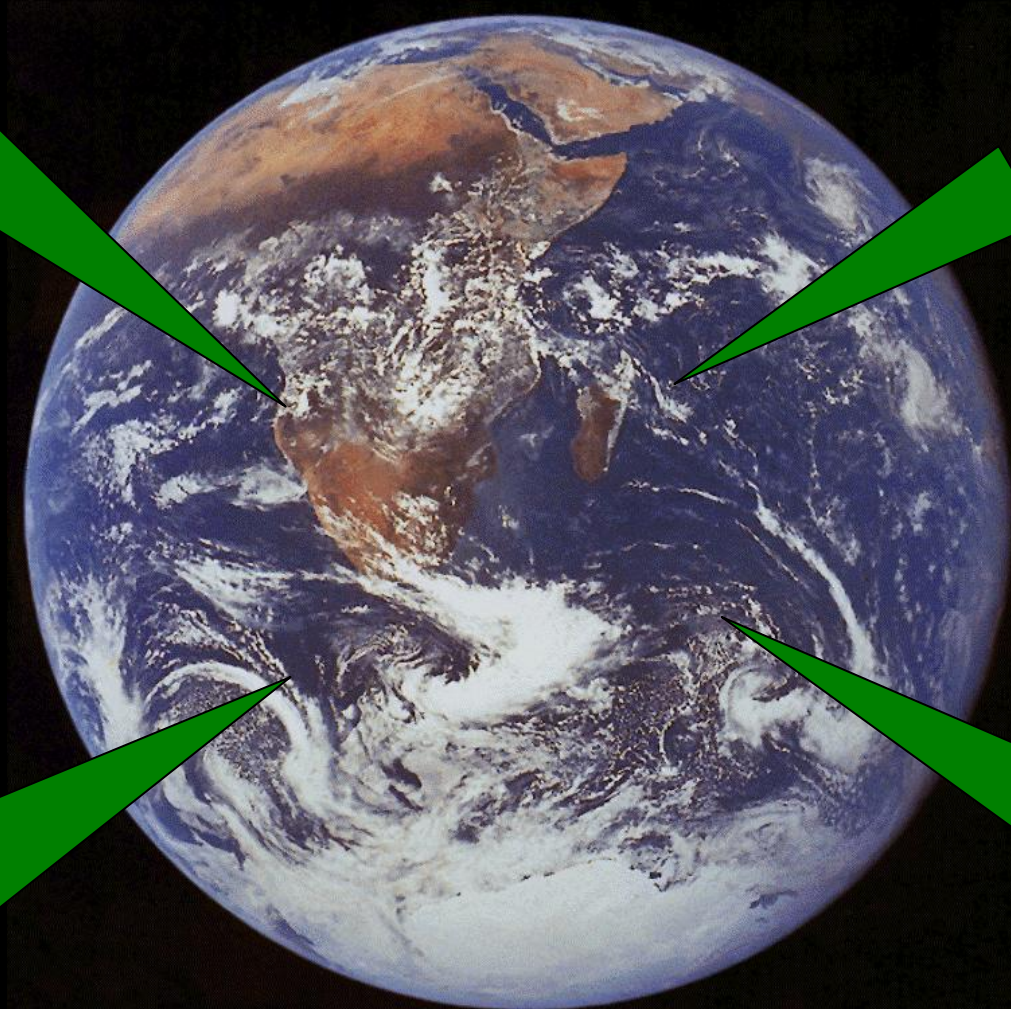
Nature: The Ultimate Nanotechnologist

**Structures
&
Architectures**

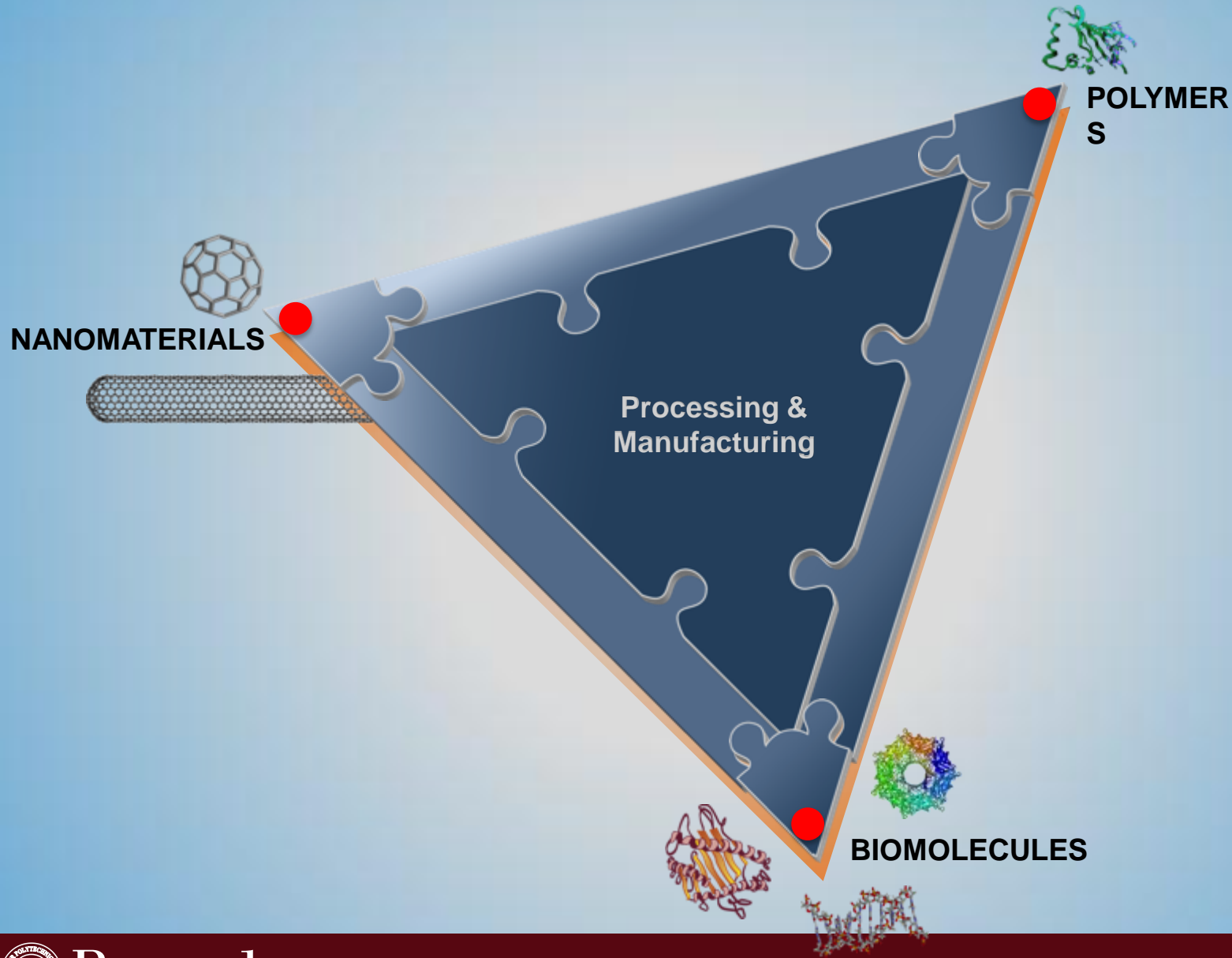
Unique Functions

**Bioactive
Products**

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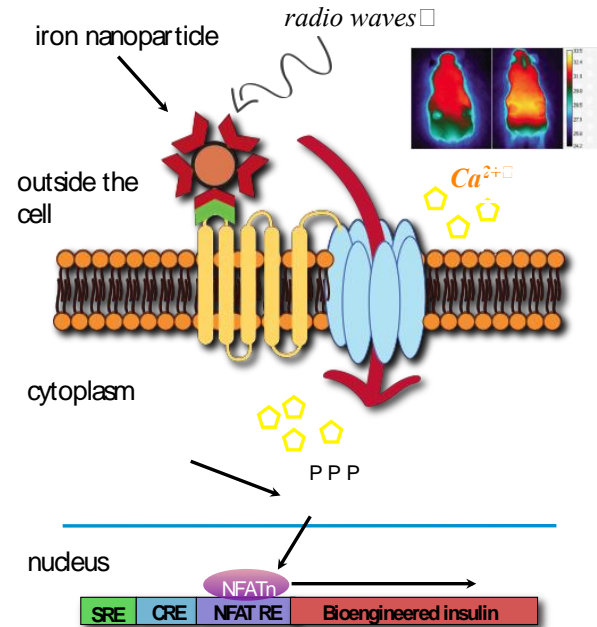


Nanotechnology Enables us to Break Away from Nature's Boundaries

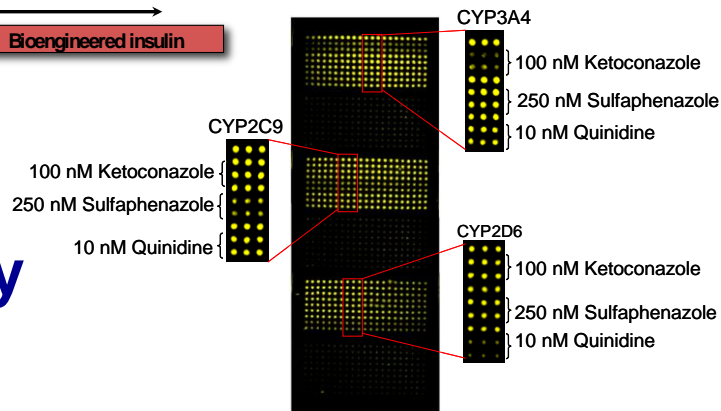


Opening Up New Opportunities: Collaborations are Required

Biomedicine



Drug Discovery



Pathogen Decontamination



Affordable Healthcare Technologies



Societal Drivers for Bioengineered Safe Environments

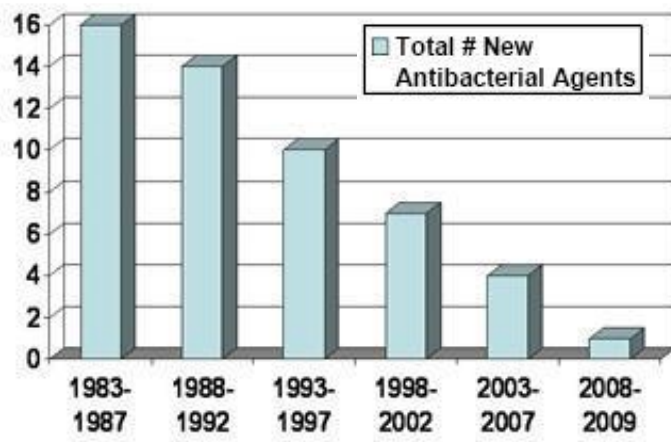


Safe and Sustainable Healthcare Infrastructure



Safe Food Processing and Packaging

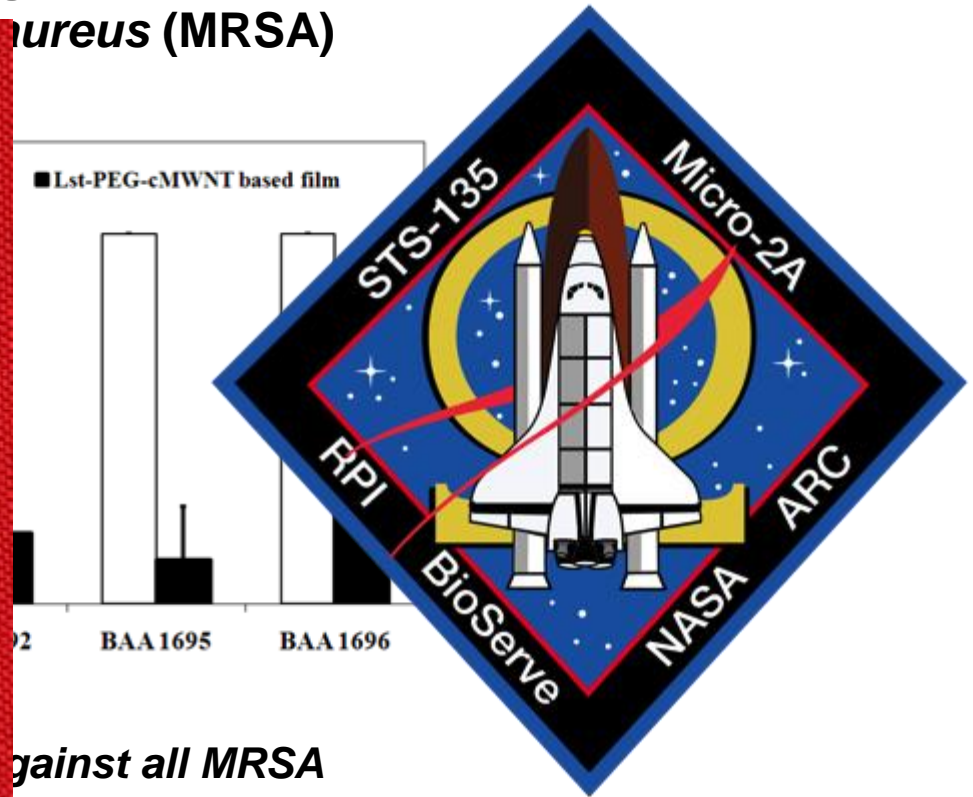
Declining Antibacterial Approvals



- **Community infrastructure susceptible to antibiotic-resistant microorganisms**
 - ✦ Hospital-acquired infections are the 4th/5th leading cause of preventable death in the U.S.
 - ✦ WHO → we are headed back to the early 20th Century where many infections were lethal
 - ✦ Routine surgeries may go undone
 - ✦ Antibiotic use in food industry is literally killing us
- **Nearly 50 million cases of food poisoning annually in the U.S. alone.**
 - ✦ Economic impact of \$7B annually and 1/4 of all freshwater use
 - ✦ Annual energy waste equivalent to ca. one month of petroleum use
- **Lack of clean water devastates society**
 - ✦ Developing world
 - ✦ Developed world following natural/man-made disasters

Antistaphylococcal Paints: From Hospitals to Mars

Effectiveness against methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)



against all MRSA

strains tested

- >99% bactericidal activity in 2 h

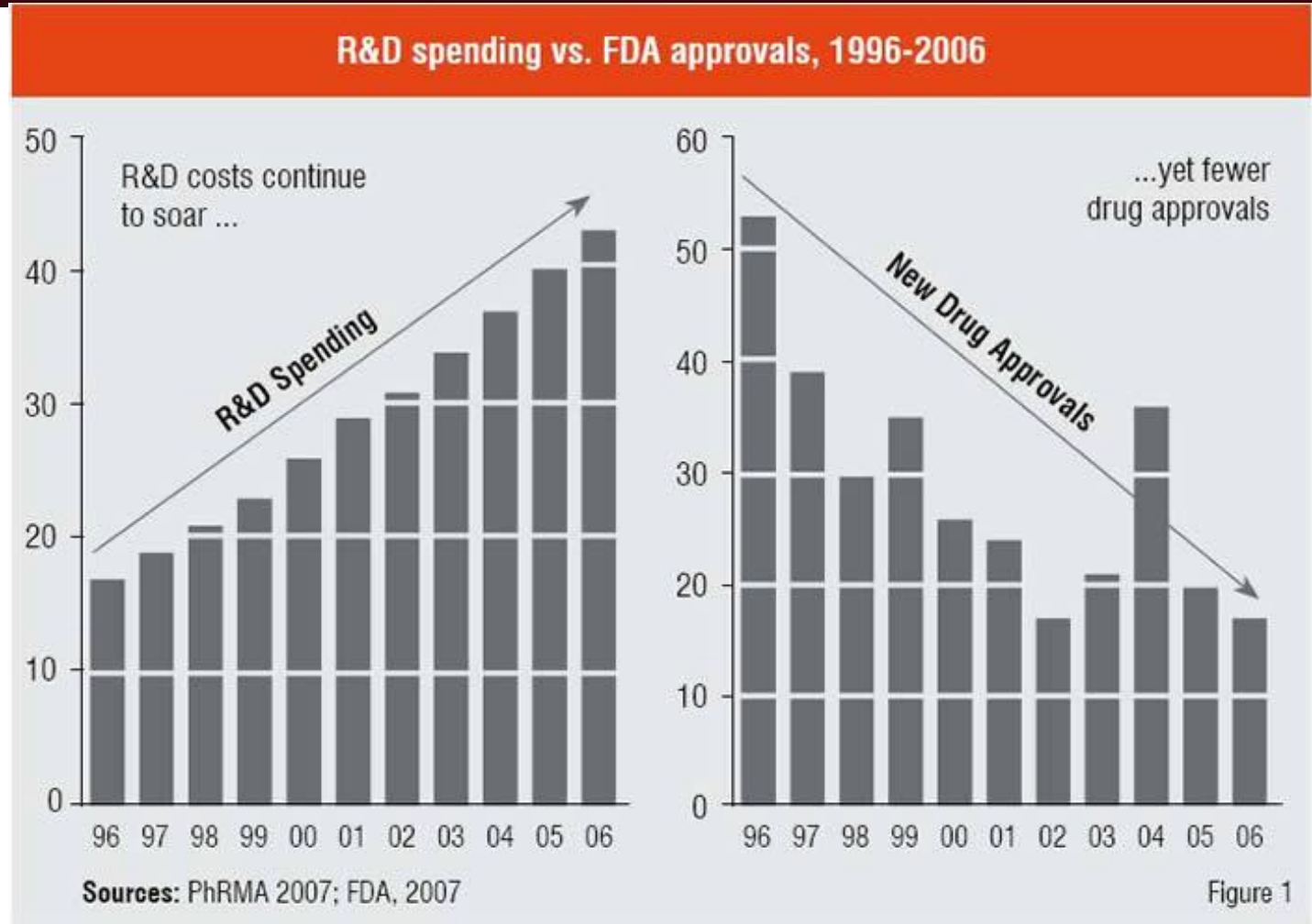


**“Doctors pour drugs of which they know little,
to cure diseases of which they know less, into
human beings of whom they know nothing.”**

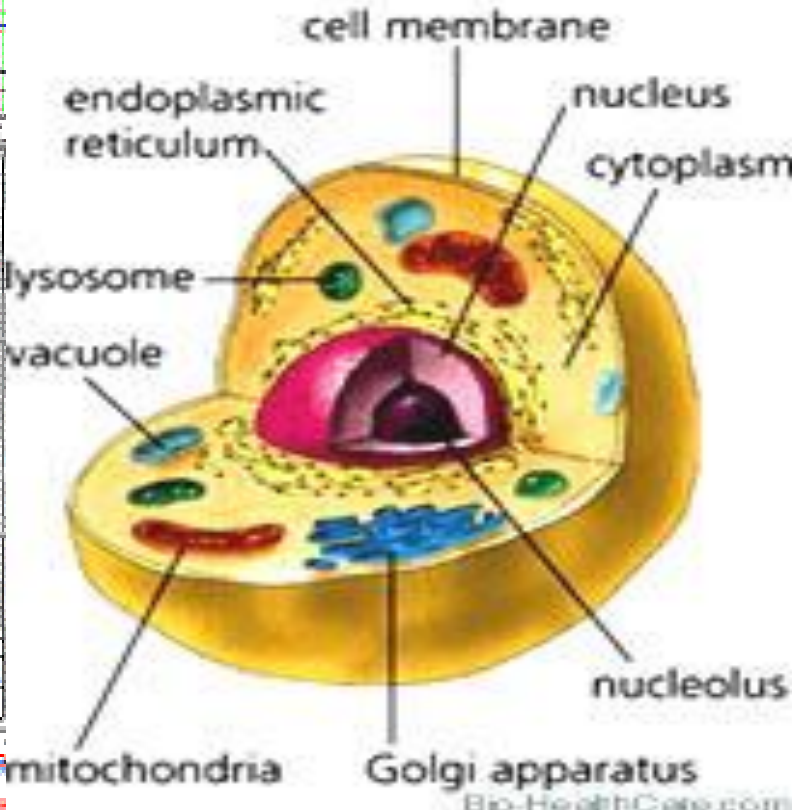
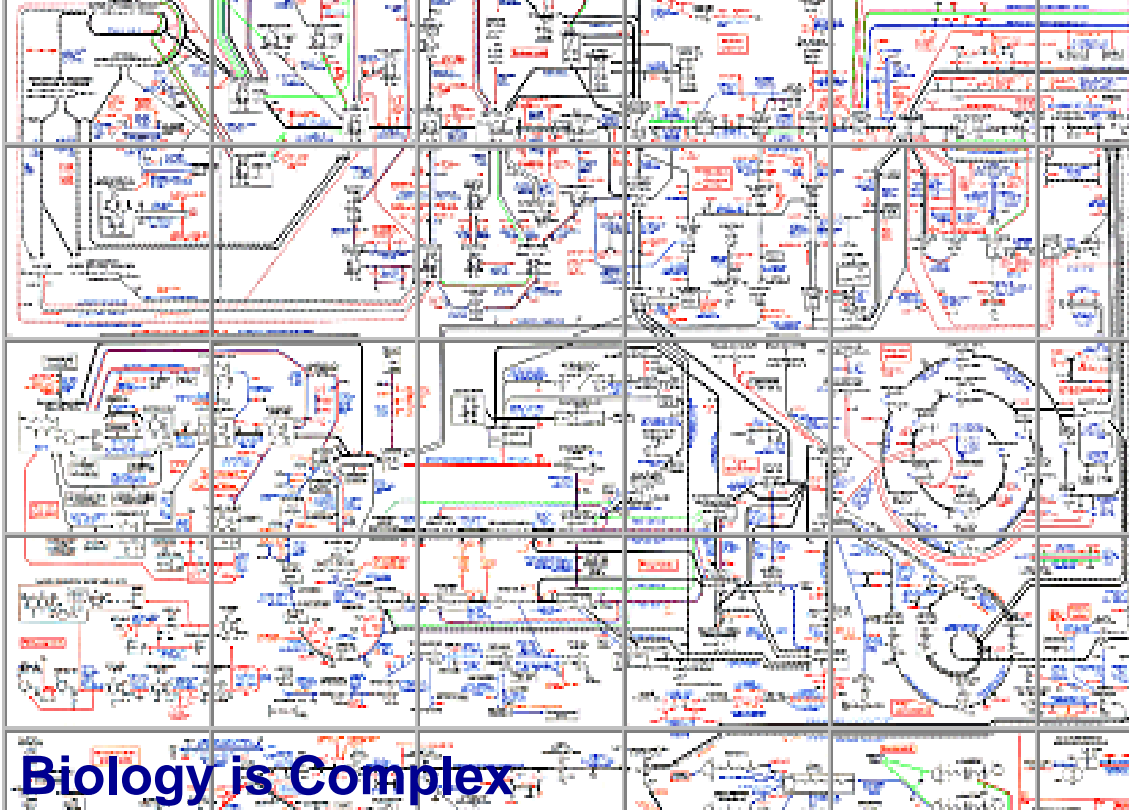
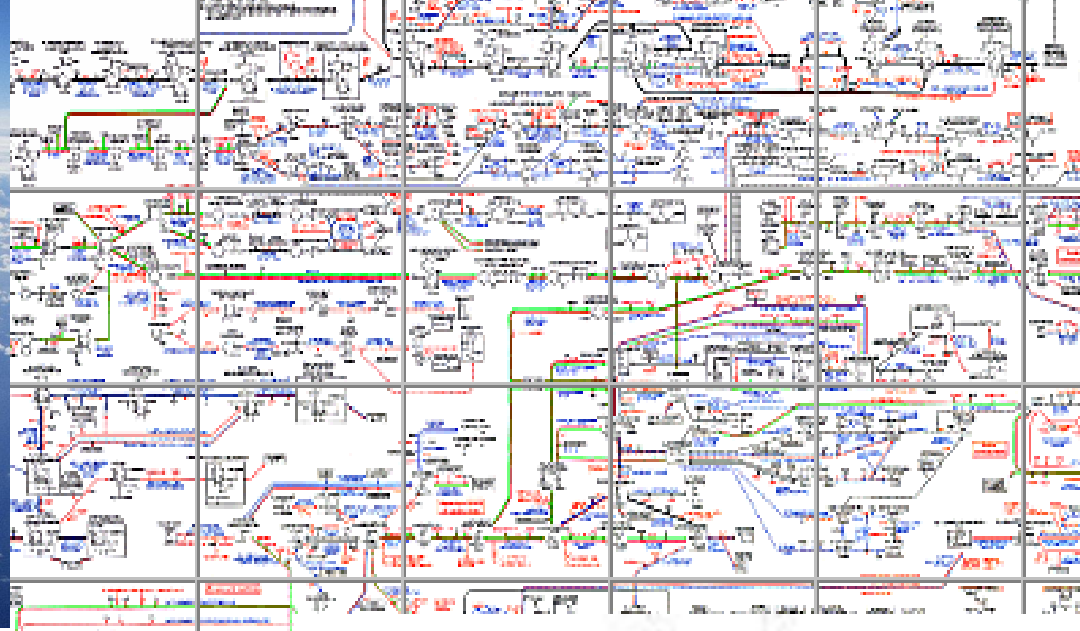
**Voltaire
(1694-1778)**

Drug Discovery: More Knowledge, Yet More Failure

- Total small molecule approvals = 58 in 2009-2011
- Cost for drug approval now close to \$2 billion
- Patents covering > \$50 billion in blockbuster drug revenue expired in 2010



**Innovation
Barrier**

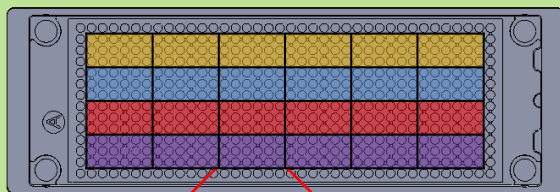


Biology is Complex

Your Liver's Function

Metabolizing enzyme
toxicology assay Chip

MetaChip

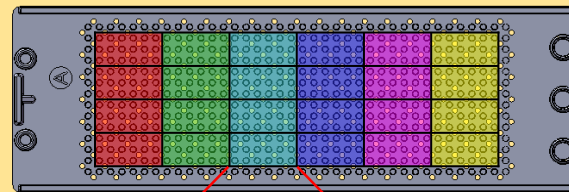


Human/rat
enzymes

Your Body

Data analysis
toxicology assay Chip

DataChip



Target
cells



Combined
Chips

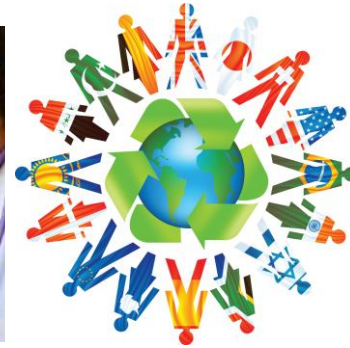
Rapid and Early Removal of Bad Drugs
Before Going to Clinical Trials



Interface of Nano-Bio-Big Data for Effective and Affordable Healthcare

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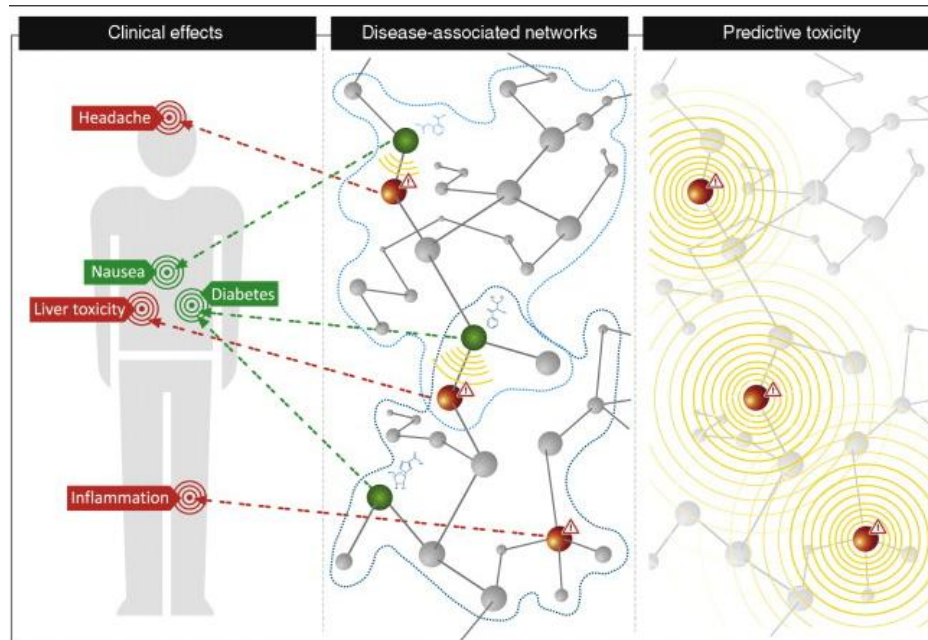
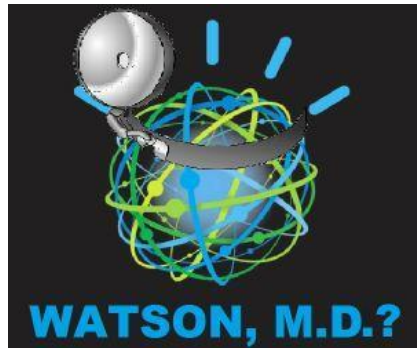
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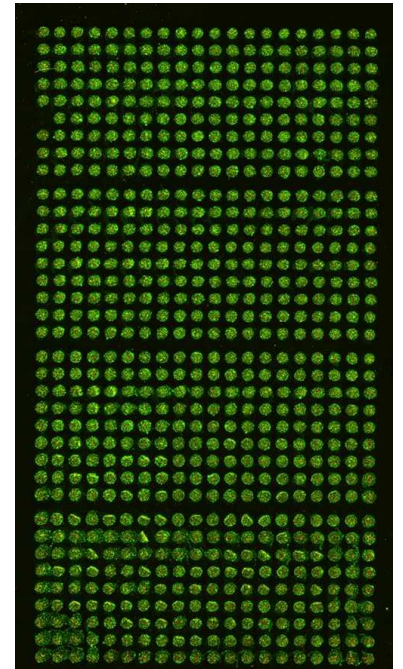
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TRENDS in Pharmacological Science



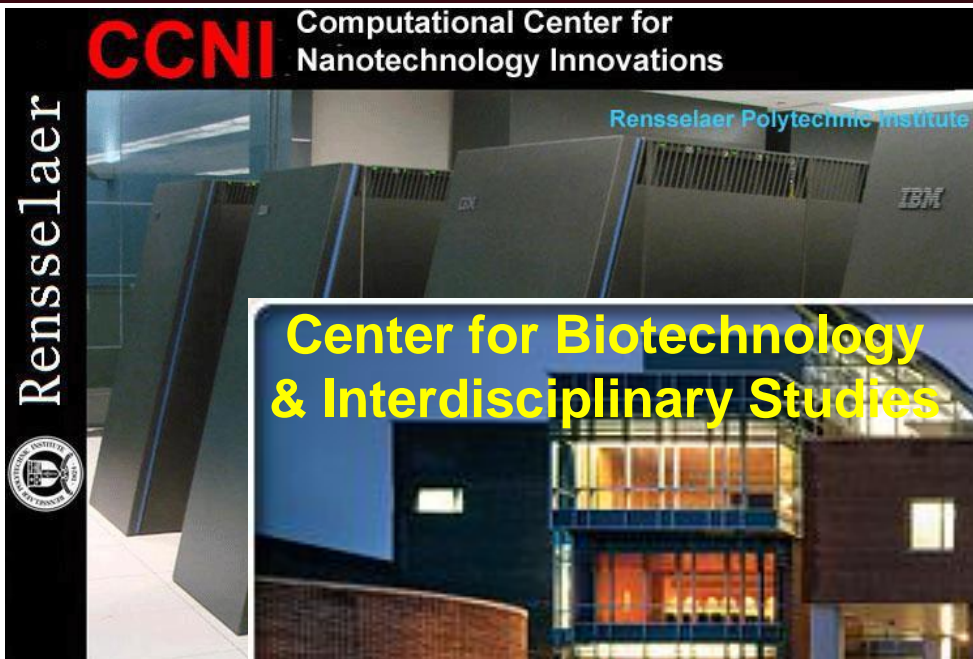
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The Emerging Opportunity: Interface of Nano-Bio-Big Data for Effective and Affordable Healthcare

Research & Development	Clinical/Translational	Healthcare Infrastructure
Therapeutics and Diagnostics Discovery	Whole Body “Sensors”	Networks of Sensors
Biochips & Miniaturization	Personalized Clinical Trials	Big Data
“Omics”	Big Data	Patient Treatment Regimens
Analytical Methodologies		Reduced Delivery Costs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Payers• Hospitals• Patients• Government
Big Data		

- NY State can leverage its investment in microelectronics to build the “new” biotechnology
- The expertise exists in biotechnology, nanotechnology, biomedical research, and emerging big data
- Investment must include support to bring VC investors to NY and foster pre-competitive investments

NY State Has Fostered the Nano-Bio Infrastructure at Rensselaer



Center for Biotechnology
& Interdisciplinary Studies

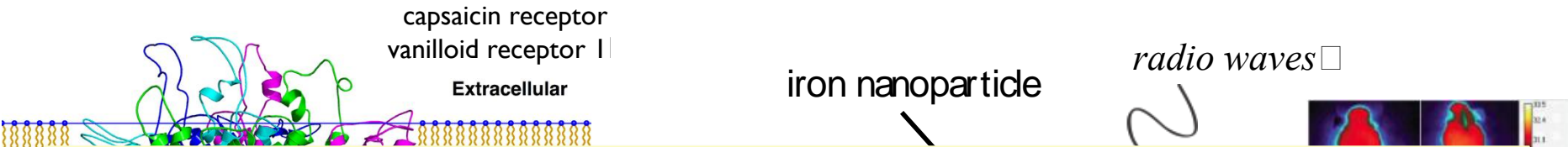


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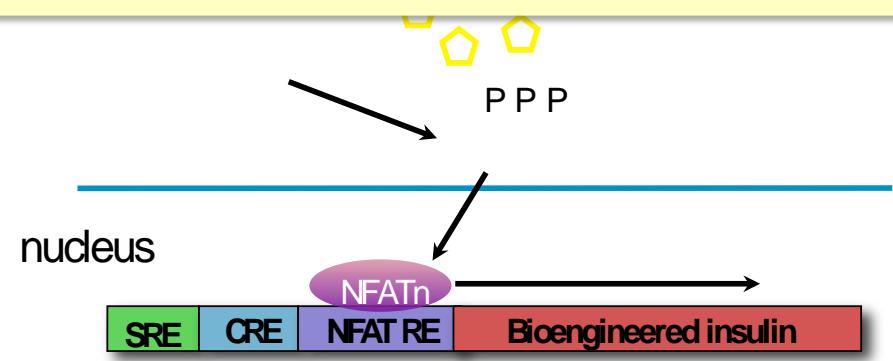
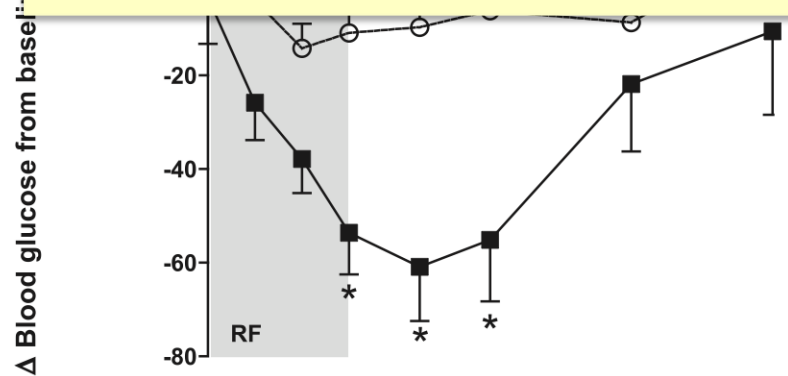
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Biomolecule-Nanomaterial Formulations in Biomedical Therapies

Transient Receptor Potential Channel VI



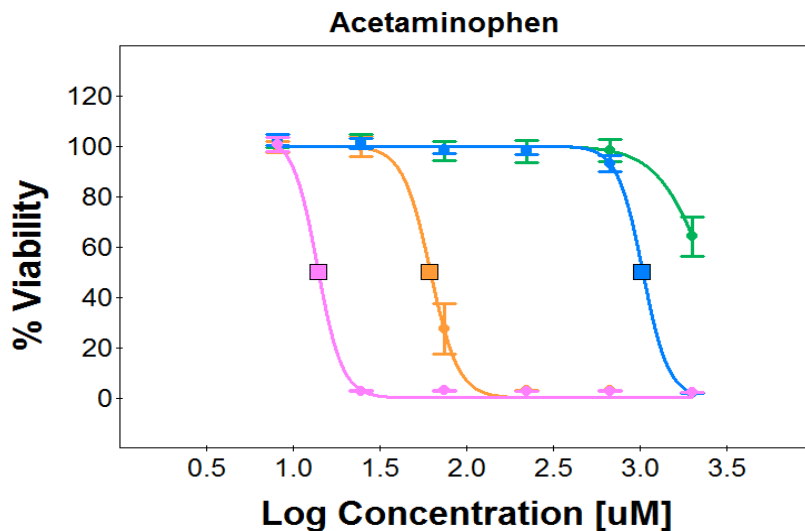
- Using nanotechnology and microelectronics to achieve therapeutic outcomes
- Possible impact in neurodegenerative diseases (e.g., Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, etc.), diabetes, others
- Could not have been achieved without collaborative, multidisciplinary science, engineering, and medicine (collaboration with Dr. Jeffrey Friedman, Rockefeller University)



Opportunities at the Nano-Bio Interface in Advancing Drug Discovery

- Mimicking the human body requires cell-based and protein-based materials
- These materials are effective due to nanoscale matrix components that provide optimum environments for biological activity
- Can be applied to rapid drug discovery and toxicity screening, control of stem cell biology, and regenerative medicine
- Ideally suited to personalized medicine

Drug Toxicity



Stem Cells Biotechnology

