# Challenges and Opportunities at the Interface of Nanotechnology and Biomedicine

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- Advanced Nanomaterials with multifunctionalization
- Metamaterials
- Nanophotonics, Nanomagnetics, Nanomedicine
- Nonlinear optics, Multi-photon processes
- Solar energy, portable energy generation
- Multimodal diagnostics and imaging, Light-activated therapy

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#### INTRODUCTION TO NANOMEDICINE AND NANOBIOENGINEERING

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#### **Nanomedicine – New Era in Personalized Medicine**



# NANOMEDICINE

# Yesterday's imagination

James Cameron's "Fantastic Voyage" (1966)

#### **Today's reality**



#### **ILPB Nanoclinics**

Patented in 2003, licensed to Nanobiotix (Paris) in 2004

# hanoXRay

**Tomorrow's patient care** 



Paris, (France) http://www.nanobiotix.com/ *Clinical trial in 2011* 

### **Biophotonics and Nanomedicine**



#### **BIOPHOTONICS AND NANOMEDICINE** An Interdisciplinary Field

<u>Chemistry</u> Multiscale modeling guided synthesis of Functional Materials and nanoscale building blocks; Surface modification

#### **Basic Sciences**

- Physics Manipulation of optical, electronic, magnetic and thermal properties at nanoscale; Multifunctionality
- Biology Understanding of Biological Processes Biocompatibility; Targeting; Bioelimination

#### Engineering

**Micro/nano Integration** 

Hardware & Software Control

**Biotechnology Bioinformatics** 

<u>Diagnostics</u> In-vitro and in-vivo; Microarray technology

> Pharmacology Disease Modeling; Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics

#### Medicine

<u>Therapy</u> Chemotherapy; Photodynamic Therapy; Gene Therapy Toxicity Chemical toxicity; Cellular, tissue and organ toxicities; Immune response Nanotheranostics Combined Diagnostics and Therapy; See, treat and see

# LIGHT – MATTER INTERACTIONS FOR BIOPHOTONICS

# **Linear Light-Matter Interactions**



# The Jablonski Diagram Describing Possible Fates of Excitation



Non-radiative Processes: Energy dissipation through vibrational relaxations

# **Light activation**



# **Two-Photon Versus One-Photon Bioimaging**



# **Frequency Conversion**



#### **Probes symmetry breaking (cell membrane)**

Courtesy of AT&T Archives and History Center

# **Coherent Anti-Stokes Raman Scattering**



Energy

# **Spontaneous Raman & CARS**

# Raman

- Low intensity of signal distributed in 4π spatial angle; therefore not efficient for imaging
- Raman Intensity is linearly depends on molecular concentration; therefore microspectrometry useful for quantitive characterization of local concentration of biomolecules

# CARS

- High intensity coherent and directional process with accumulation of signal; therefore suitable for imaging
- Non-linear intesity dependence provides high 3D resolution

# MULTIPLEXED BIOPHOTONICS IMAGING PLATFORM

#### **ILPB Multiplex Biophotonics Platform**



#### **Multimodal CARS/TPEF Imaging**

CARS Imaging is one of the most promising technique to observe cellular bio-molecular composition and to investigate its dynamics



2840, 2930 and 2970 Cm<sup>-1</sup>

#### Structural Changes in apoptotic HeLa cells

30 min of treatment



Cover page PNAS, 107, 29 (2010)

Multimodal CARS/TPEF imaging **DNA/RNA/Proteins/Lipids** 

**GFP** Fluorescence Recovery after Photobleaching (FRAP)



A. Pliss, A. Kuzmin, A. Kachynski and P. Prasad, Proceedings of National Academy of Sciences of the USA, 107(29) 12771 (2010).

### **Anti-Stokes Fluorescence Confocal Microscopy**

(Temperature Mapping)



A.V.Kachynski, A.N.Kuzmin, H.Pudavar, and P.N.Prasad, Appl. Phys. Lett. <u>87</u> (2005) 023901

# **Fluorescence lifetime Imaging**



Protein in HeLa cells shortens during cell division

A.Pliss, P.N.Prasad et al. submitted to ACS Chemical Biology

3.0

3.1

3.2

Time (ns)

3.3

3.4

3.5

3.6

2.9

200

2.8



# **NANOEMITTERS FOR BIOMEDICINE**

# Unique properties at nanoscale

# Multimodality/ Multiplexibility

Fluorecent Nanoparticles and Biomedicine

### Light Guided Targeted delivery

# See, Treat and see (Theranostics)

# **Multifunctionality of Nanostructures**



# **Challenges for Fluorescent Nanoparticles**

- High One- or Two- photon Excitation Efficiency (Absorption Cross-section)
- High Emission Efficiency (Quantum yield)
- Photostability
- Emission in the Near IR spectral range for imaging of deep tissues/ *in vivo* imaging
- Multifunctionality
- Dispersability in Aqueous Medium with No Significant Reduction of Emission Efficiency
- High Cellular Uptake for Cellular Imaging
- Biocompatibility and Biodegradability
- Nontoxicity

#### **Manipulation of local relaxation**

Nanocontrol of inrtramolecular relaxation pathways

# Nanocontrol of excitation dynamics

#### Nanoscopic control of phonon dynamics

Control of phonon density of states to manipulate intermolecular dynamics

#### Nanoscale electronic energy transfer

Exciton transfer and fluorescence resonance energy transfer (FRET)

#### **Two-photon excitable aggregation enhanced nanoemitters**



#### **Optical highlighting of cells using FRET based nanoprobes**



S.Kim, H.Huang, H.Pudavar, Y.Cui and P.N.Prasad, Nano Letters, submitted

#### **Quantum-Confined Structures**



#### **Quantum Dots/Rods: New generation Diagnostic probes**

- Semiconductor nanoparticles with unique, tunable optical properties
- Highly photostable
- Narrow, symmetric emission spectra
- Ease of bioconjugation
- Ability for multiplexed analysis

#### **Applications**

**PEG for enhanced** 

colloidal stability

Antibody for

biorecognition

In vitro Imaging
In-vitro Diagnostics
Targeted Drug delivery
Theranostics



#### Size and composition tunable emission



#### NanoSi is Highly luminescent, while the bulk form is not



# NANOCHEMISTRY FOR NANOEMITTERS
## Nanochemistry : Synthesis of nanoparticle

### **Organically Modified Silica (ORMOSIL) nanoparticles**



- (a) Schematic presentation of synthesis of ORMOSIL nanoparticles using AOT/Hexane reverse microemulsion system
- (b) Involved chemistry

### **Multifunctional (theranostics) ORMOSIL nanoparticle**



### Multimodal (two imaging modalities) ORMOSIL nanoparticle





Prasad et al. J. Phys. Chem. C 112, 7972-7977 (2008).

### **Hot Colloidal Synthesis of Semiconductor Nanocrystals**



### Gas Phase Synthesis of Silicon (Si) Nanocrystals

(b) etching

Top-down

Etching reduces size and provides Hydrogen termination

Hydrosilylation reaction allows subsitution of silicon into alkene bonds

### (Combination of Bottom Up and Top Down Approaches)

— Bottom-up →



(a) laser pyrolysis

Size: 4-9 nm

to create organic terminated silicon QD (c) hydrosilylation



(d) micelle encapsulation

Dispersion: Organic solvents — Surface modifications —

Aqueous

*Prasad et al. ACS Nano*, **2011**, 5 (1), pp 413–423

# **NEAR IR NANOEMITTERS**

### **Near IR Nanoemitters for Bioimaging**



### **NEAR-INFRARED PHOSPHORESCENCE FOR BIOIMAGING**



Collaboration with USC (Prof. M.E.Thompson)

### Rare-Earth Doped Upconversion Nanocrystals with NIR-to-NIR Photoluminescence



### Nanoscale control of energy transfer excitation dynamics

# Enhanced NIR-to-NIR upconversion PL in cubic NaYF<sub>4</sub>:Yb<sup>3+</sup> /Tm<sup>3+</sup> nanocrystals by optimizing Yb<sup>3+</sup> concentration



Chen, G., Ohulchanskyy, T.Y., Prasad, P.N et al ACS Nano 4(6), 3163 (2010)

### Nanocontrol of surface induced nonradiative processes

Enhancement of NIR-to-NIR upconversion PL in cubic **NaYbF<sub>4</sub>:Tm<sup>3+</sup> / CaF<sub>2</sub>** core/shell nanocrystals



### Quantum yield in 30 nm sized cubic core/shell nanoparticles reaches 0.6% (the highest up to date at low power excitation)

Prasad et al., submitted, 2012

### In vitro and In vivo Bioimaging Using IR to IR Up-Conversion

#### In vitro imaging of Panc 1 cells



### In-vivo whole body images of mouse



Nyk et al, Nano Letters 8, 3834 (2008)

How deep the IR-to-IR upconversion emisson of nanophosphors can be seen through biological tissues?



# **SILICON:** Abundant and Non-toxic

Sand is a natural source of silicon,	
There is an abundant supply	Non-toxic by intravenous injection
	Essential trace element responsible for bone development
	Ability to readily degrade by the
Light Emission from silicon is a useful property for healthcare	body
380mg/kg of silicon injected intravenously into mice is processed by the liver	No negative effects on environment, 100% recyclable
It shows no signs of toxicity and clears after 2 months	

### **Near Infrared Emitting Si Quantum Dots**



# **MULTIMODAL IMAGING**

### ZnO nanoprisms for multimodal nonlinear optical imaging



Phospholipid micelle encapsulated and folate targeted

- Wide gape II-VI type semiconductor material
- Hexagonal wurtzite type of structure is a noncentrosymmetric



255

- => non-zero 2<sup>nd</sup> order susceptibility
- Highly biocompatible (UV-blocker in sun-screen gel)



#### A.V. Kachynski et al, J Phys Chem, <u>112</u> 10721 (2008)

### Upconversion Nanocrystals for Optical and MRI bimodal Imaging



P. Prasad et al, Nanoscale, 3, 2003 (2011)



# HIGH THROUGHPUT FLOW DIAGNOSTICS

# **High throughput flow diagnostics**



### Microbead assay

Quantum Dot color coded antibodies



Analytes (disease expression of soluble protein in blood/saliva)



Polystyrene beads conjugated capture antibodies



EXCITATION

## **Spectral Multiplex Detection**



## **Time Multiplex Detection**



# **IN VIVO DELIVERY**



### **Tailoring of Nanoparticle Platform**

Chemical "make-up" (inorganic; organic)

biodegradable or heavymetal free components

Surface coating Bioconjugation to

enhance biodistribution and targeted delivery Shape (dots; rods; multipods)

Non-spherical shape to enhance cellular uptake

Surface hydrophilicity/ hydrophobicity

Hydrophilic surface to avoid RES capture

## What Matters?

Size (1-100 nm)

< 5 nm for renal excretion

Surface charge (positive, negative, neutral)

Negative or neutral surface for unimpeded circulation

Porosity

Pore-size control of therapeutics delivery

# Surface functionalization of nanoparticles

### **Bioconjugation of Q-dot**



### **Biocompatible Nano-Silicon for Cancer Targeting in Live animals**



#### Erogbogbo, Prasad et al. ACS Nano 5, 413 (2011).

### Excretion of lysine-coated QD



Time dependent liver clearance of lysine-coated QDs Left: Transmission; Right: Overlay with fluorescence

Prasad et al. Small (2009), 5(17), 1997-2004.

### Transferrin (Tf) modified QR for crossing BBB



# LIGHT ACTIVATED AND GUIDED NANOTHERAPY

## **Photodynamic Therapy**



### **Pioneered at Roswell Park**

Collaboration with Roswell Park (Dr. R. Pandey)



## **Nanocarrier delivery**



### ORMOSIL Nanoparticles with Intraparticle Heavy-Atom Effect to Enhance Intersystem Crossing



S.Kim, P.N.Prasad et al, J. Phys. Chem.C 2009, 113 (29), 12641

### ORMOSIL Nanoparticles Coencapsulating Photosensitizing Drug and Fluorescent Dye Aggregates for Two-Photon Activated PDT



ORMOSIL nanoparticles entrapping HPPH/BDSA

Cells treated with ORMOSIL-HPPH/BDSA nanoparticles before and after excitation at 850 nm

S. Kim, et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. (2007), 129(9); 2669-2675

### Upconversion photodynamic therapy with ormosil nanoparticles coentrapping the upconverting nanophosphors and PDT drug





NP only







HPPH + NP

Energy transfer between Yb/Er nanophosphors and photosensitizer (HPPH) co-entrapped within ormosil nanoparticles



Panc-1 cells treated with ormosil nanoparticles entrapping the upconverting Yb/Er nanophosphors (A), HPPH (B) and coentrapping both the upconverting Yb/Er nanophosphors and HPPH (C).

All cells were irradiated with 980 nm



R.Kumar, T.Y.Ohulchanskyy, P.N.Prasad, unpublished



Gene delivery using nanoparticles

Electrostatic gene condensation
Efficient cellular entry
Non-toxicity
High gene expression/silencing




### **Nano-Biophotonics and Gene Delivery**



### Organically modified silica (ORMOSIL) cationic nanoparticles as DNA carriers for gene therapy



### **Optically Trackable ORMOSIL** *Nanoparticles for Gene Delivery*



I. Roy, T. Y. Ohulchanskyy, D. J. Bharali, H. E. Pudavar, R. A. Mistretta, N. Kaur, and P. N. Prasad. PNAS, 102 (2): 279 (2005).

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Tomorrow's patient care

Health, Wellness and Longevity

# **Nanomedicine for Rejuvenation Therapy**

Free radical removal

Heavy metal removal



# therapy

### Stem cell therapy

**Tissue engineering** and organ printing

# Stem cell Nanotechnology



# Nanotechnology based Tissue Engineering

### **Tissue regeneration**

Assembling and Differentiation of Cells on a Biodegradable Scaffold

### Organ/tissue printing

Printing of 3-D Assembly of Cells in a Gel Matrix to Generate Tissue Structures and Organs

### Tissue nanoengineering



<u>Tissue bonding</u> Repair of a Tissue Fracture or Tear by Welding or Soldering



## Non-human primate nanotoxicity studies



# Blood chemistry, behavioral and histological studies indicated no toxicity

Ye, L., Yong, K.-T., Liud, L., Roy, I., Hu, R., Zhu, J., Cai, H., Law, W.-C., Liu, J., Wang, K., Liu, J., Liu, Y., Hu, Y., Zhang, X., Swihart, M.T., and Prasad, P.N. *Nature Nanotechnology* 7, (2012).

# **Opportunities**

- Photostable, Biodegradable, nontoxic and water dispersible Near IR Nanoemitters with high quantum yield
- Optical functionalities coupled with other functionalities
- Multidimensional and functional imaging, combining biosensing
- MEMS/NEMS, micro/nano fabrication, integrated optics for minituarization
- Nanoemitter based Microarray technology
- Nanoparticle tracking and photoactivation for Gene delivery, Stemcell biotechnology and Tissue Engineering
- Light activated and light guided therapy

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# **Stimulated Raman vs CARS**



Ground state

• SRS: Stokes wave used to form SRS

# Different approach: water soluble two-photon absorbing nitrosyl complex for light activated therapy through nitric oxide release



Percentage of cell survival of Cos-7 cells, after treatment with 2P-M and subsequent irradiation with 775 nm laser light for 5 minutes (with reference to untreated cells under dark as having 100 % survival).

Q. Zheng, A. Bonoiu, T. Y. Ohulchanskyy, G. S. He and P. N. Prasad, Mol. Pharmaceutics, 5 (3), 389–398 (2008)

### **Synthesis of Up-conversion Nanocrystals**



Prasad et al. ACS Nano, 2012, 6 (4), pp 2969–2977