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Nanomaterials at Zyvex: From Conception to Consumer Products in Less Than Three Years

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Outline

- Zyvex Introduction
- Zyvex's CNT Technology
- Commercialization of Nanotechnology



Corporate Introduction



- **Privately held company; Founded in 1997**
- **Located in Richardson, Texas**
- **Detailed Five-Year Strategic Business and Marketing plans**
- **Detailed Technology Roadmap**
- **Aggressive IP strategy**
- **Extensive list of scientific and business publications**



Resources

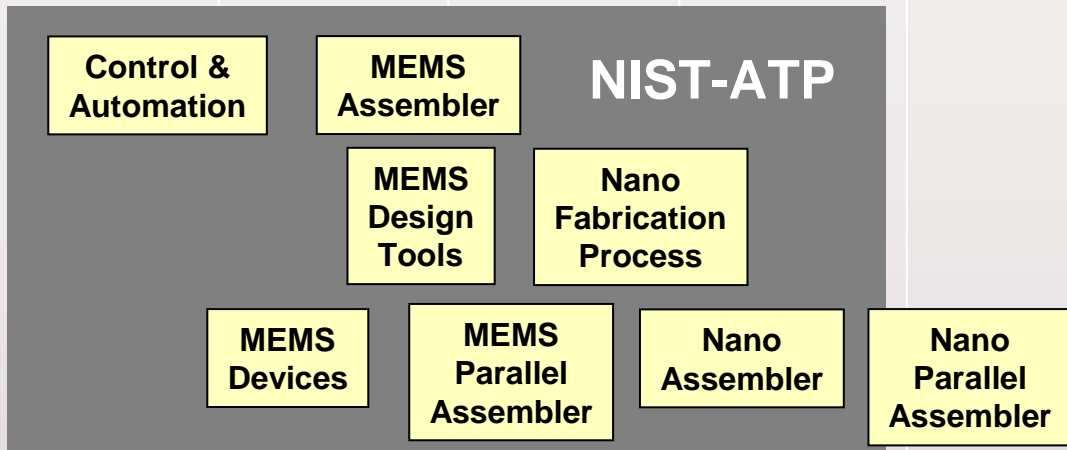
- **Headcount: 61 and increasing**
 - 17 Ph.D.s
 - Engineers, scientists, technical management
- **44,000 sq. ft. facility**
- **Class 1000 clean room**
- **Several fully equipped laboratories**
- **CNC-equipped machine shop**
- **Equipment: SEMs, TEMs, AFMs, UHV-STM, numerous lasers, MEMS motion analyzer, electrical testing station**



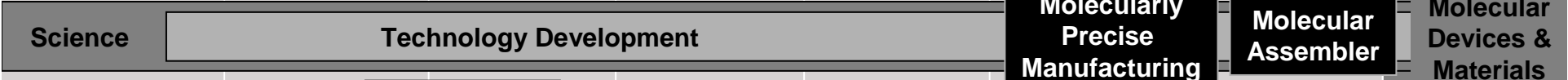
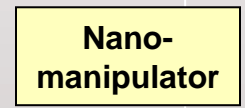


Our Vision

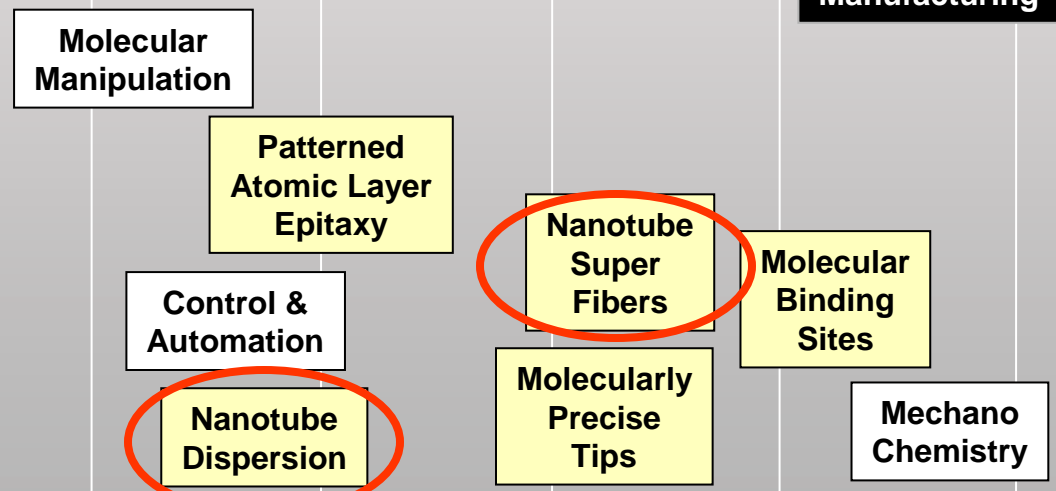
To be the leading worldwide supplier of tools, products, and services that enable adaptable, affordable, and molecularly precise manufacturing.



Top Down



Bottom Up

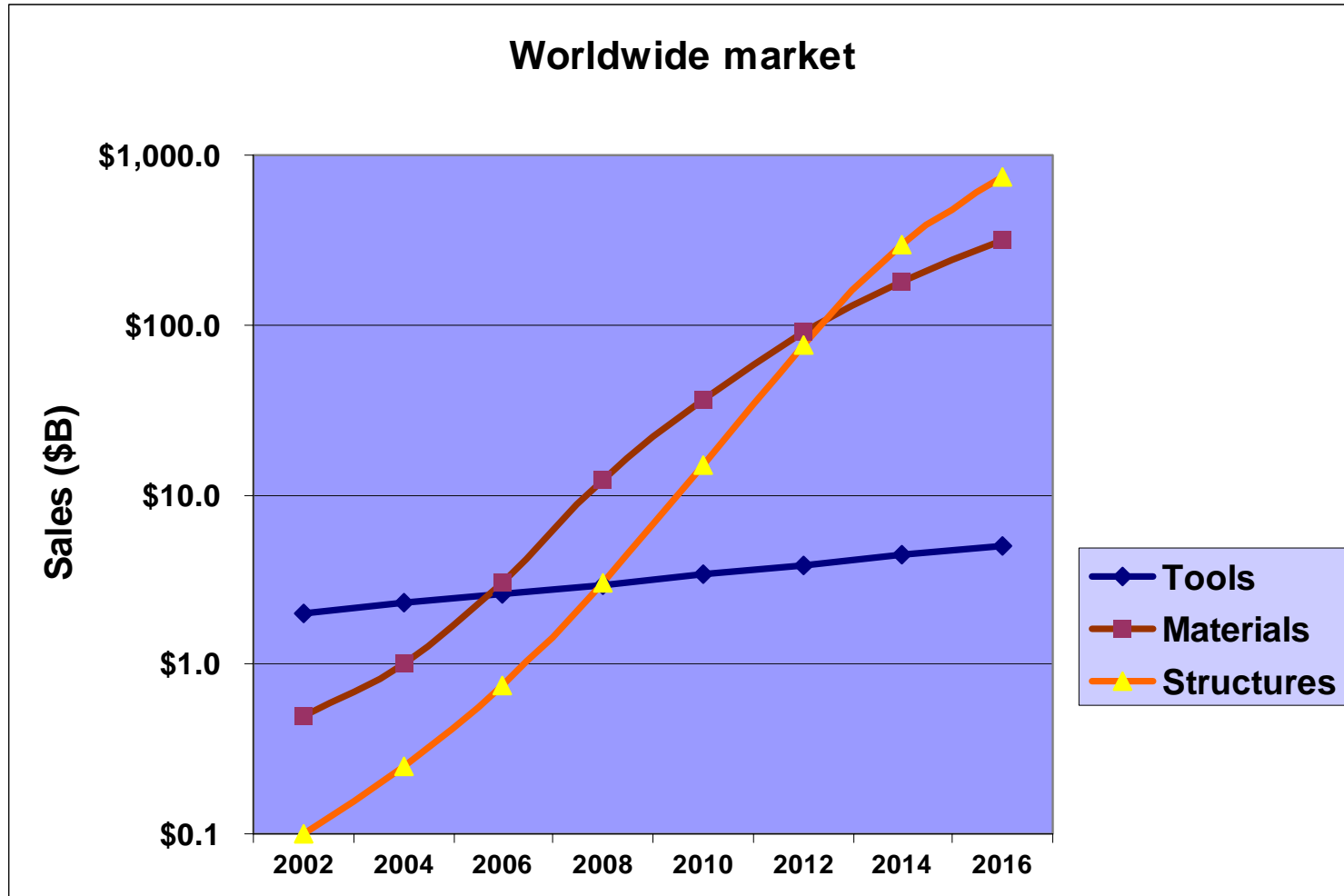


Potential Products

1998 2000 2002 2004 2006 2008 2010 2012



Tools, Materials, & Structures





Products

- Tools - NanoWorks™
 - Nanomanipulators
 - S100 (SEM), F100 (FIB), A100, L100
 - Accessories
 - NanoEffector™ Probes and Microgrippers
- Materials - NanoSolve™
 - Additives
 - Bulk Material Concentrates
 - Finished Goods



Customers

Partial List



massachusetts institute of technology





Alliances

Partial List

FROST & SULLIVAN



TEXAS
SCOTTISH RITE HOSPITAL



MichiganTech



Texas A&M
UNIVERSITY

Pyrograf Products Inc.

XEI Scientific





Press

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The New York Times



Dallas Business Journal



The Dallas Morning News



Government Outreach



U.S. Senator George Allen



21st Century Nanotechnology R&D Act



Presidential Advisor Karl Rove



Vice President Dick Cheney



President George W. Bush

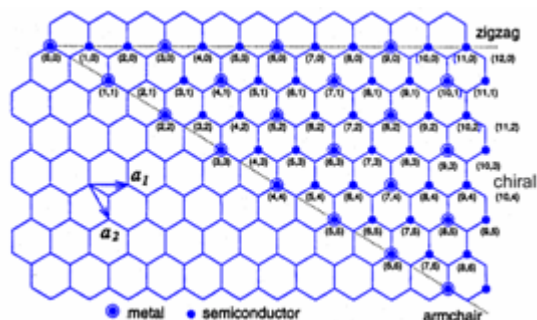


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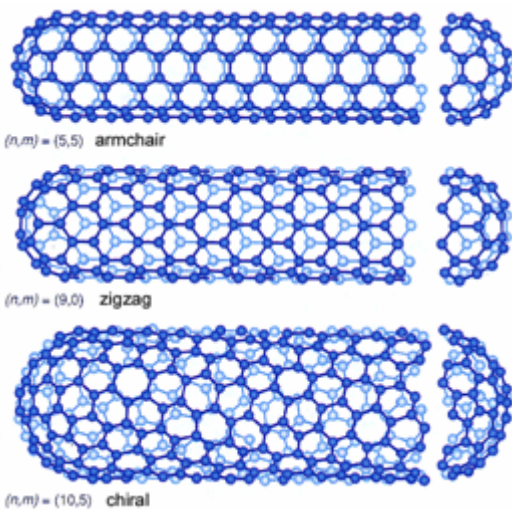


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Graphite



Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes



Multi-Walled Carbon Nanotubes



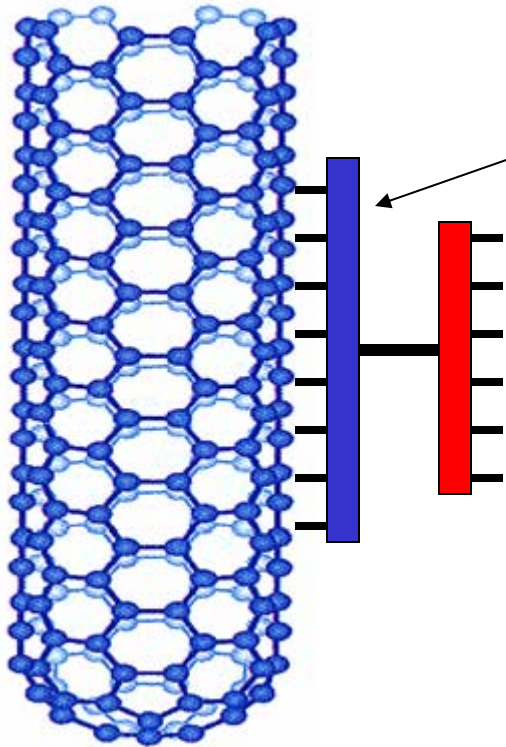
Carbon Nanotubes

- Remarkable properties
 - 20 times the strength of steel, 1/6th the density
 - Better electrical conductivity than copper
 - Thermal conductivity comparable to diamond
- What is the catch?
 - Hydrophobic
 - Insoluble
 - Forms aggregates



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Core Competence - Functionalizing



- **Two distinct functions:**
 - Non-damaging binding
 - Customizable
- **Binding applicable to CNMs (SWNTs, MWNTs, CNFs)**
- **Functionality may be customized for different applications:**
 - Dispersion in solvents
 - Adhesion to composites
 - Other chemical functionality

**Functionalization
technology**



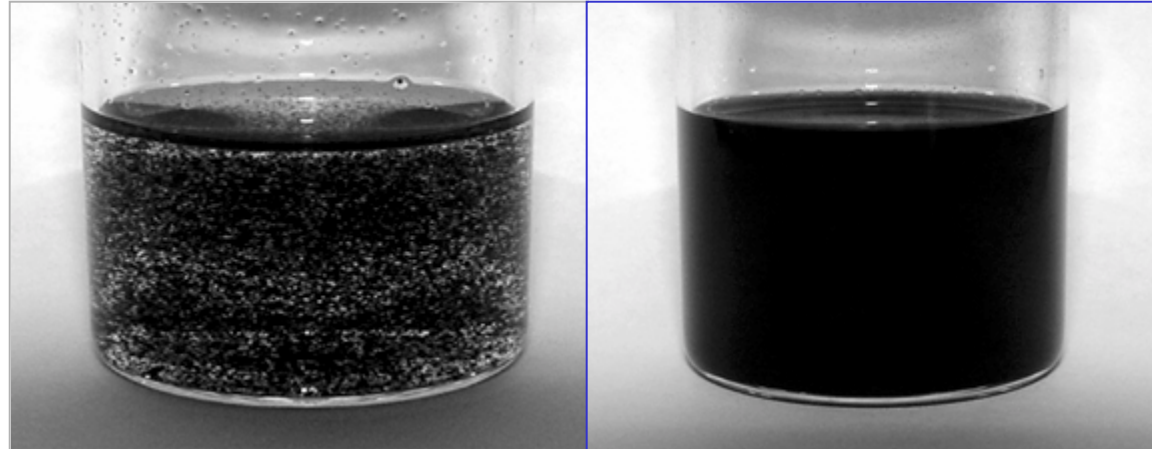
Current Capabilities

- Functionalize and solubilize CNMs
 - Solvents
 - Chloroform, chlorobenzene, methylene chloride, tetrachloroethylene, dichloroethane, THF, toluene, xylene, MEK, Isopropanol
 - Water
- Dispersion in composite matrices:
 - Thermoplastics and Thermosets



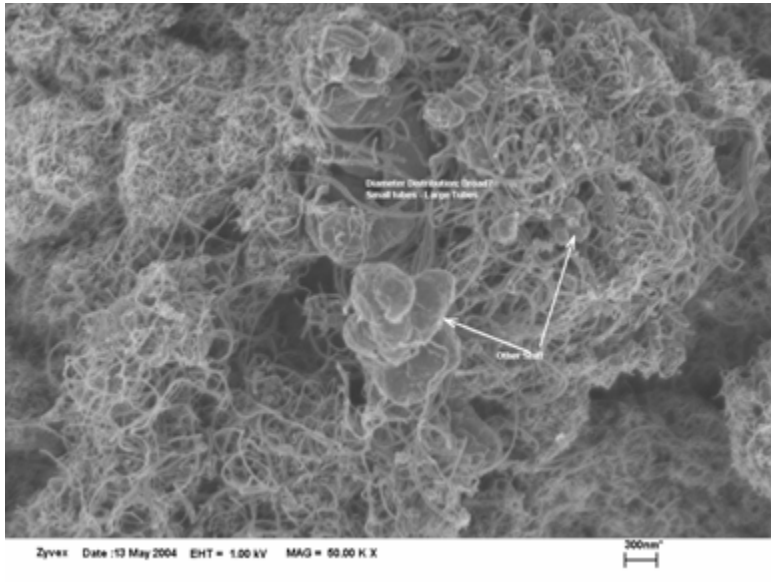
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Poor vs. Good Dispersion/PU

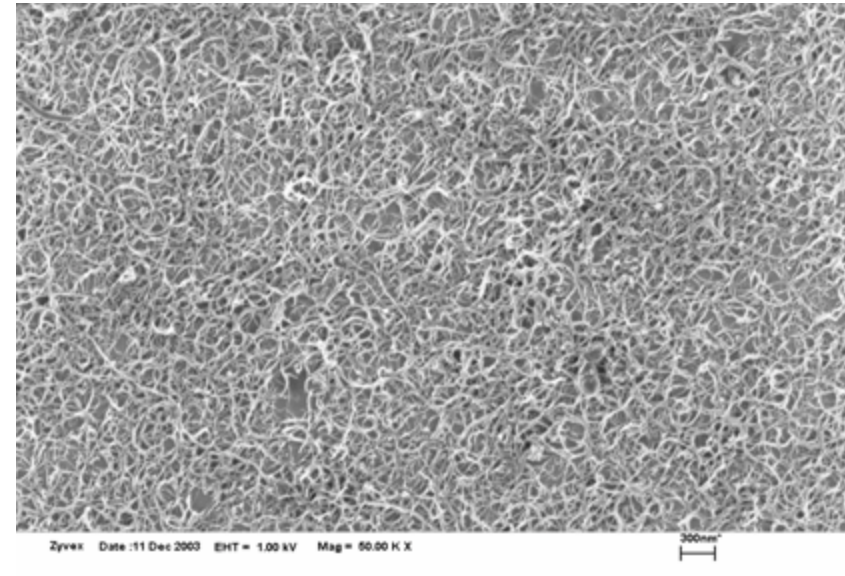




Exfoliation & Dispersion with Kentera™



Raw Tubes

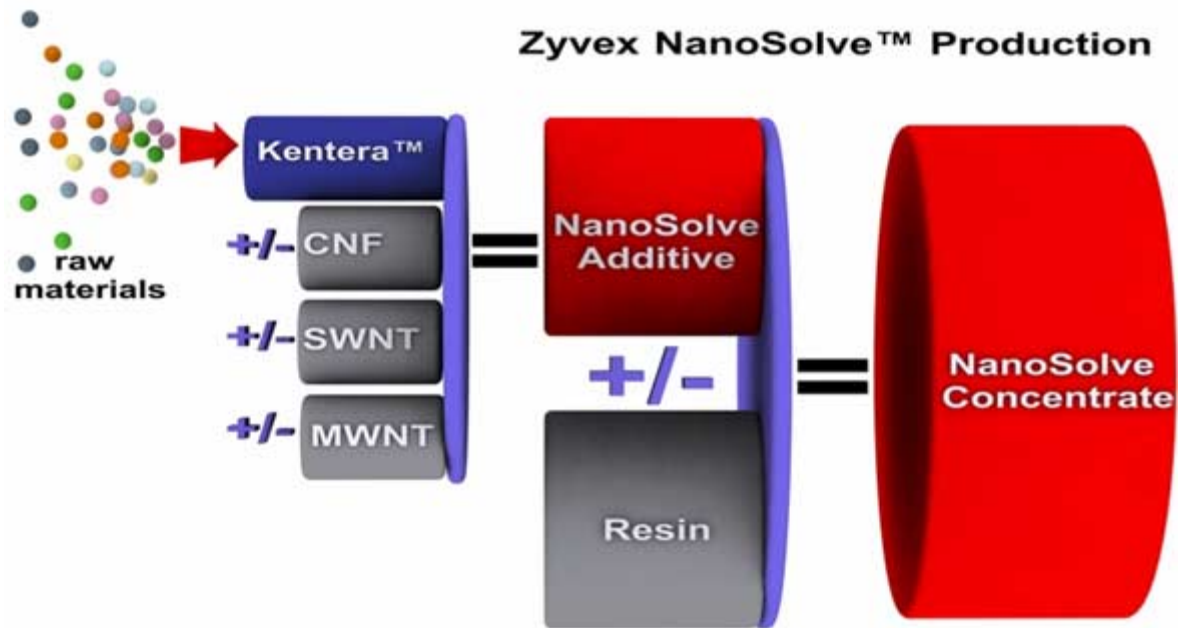


Kentera Treated Tubes

- 50KX Magnification
- Equal Concentrations
- Mutli-wall CNTs



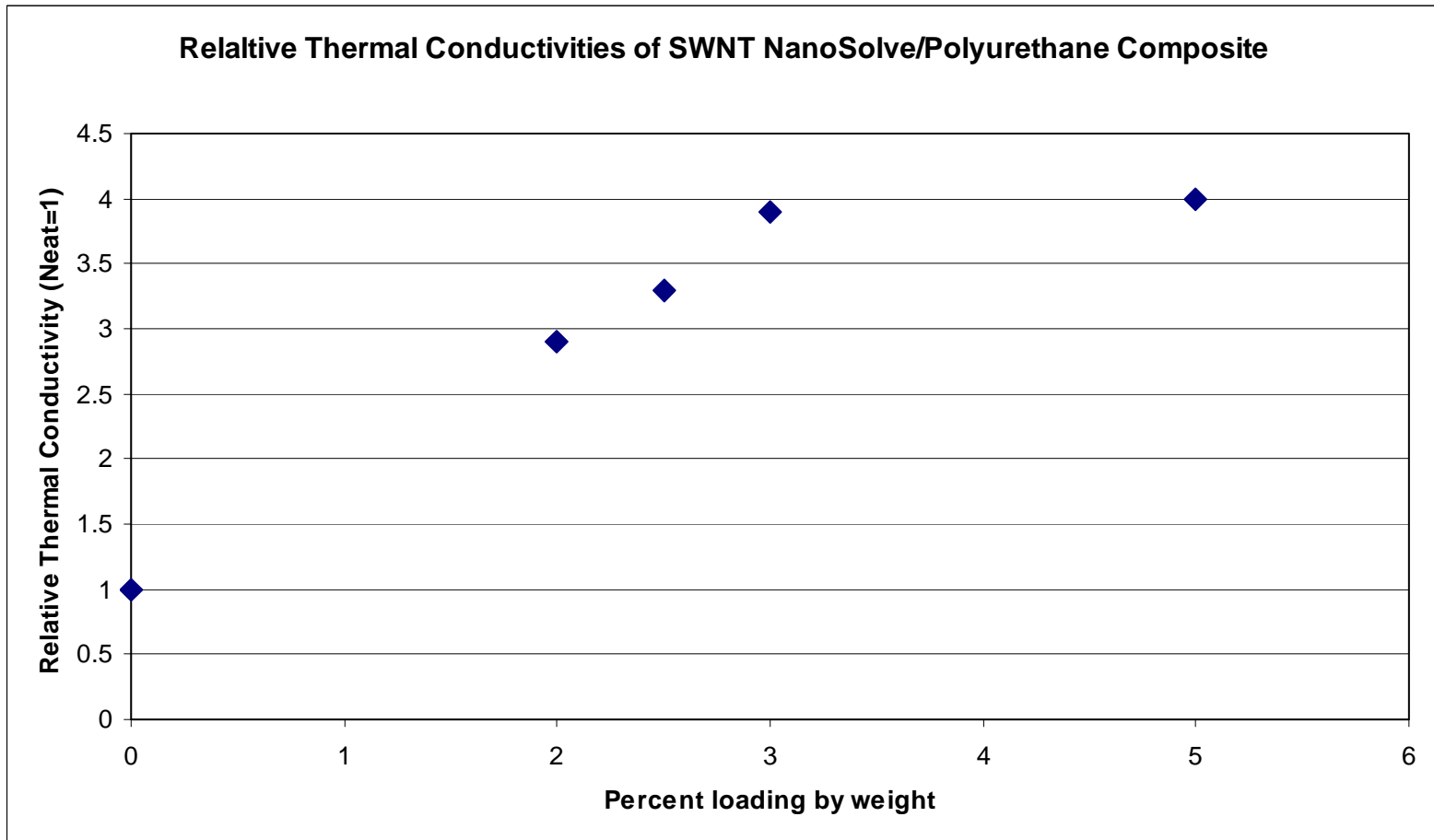
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Thermal Conductivity

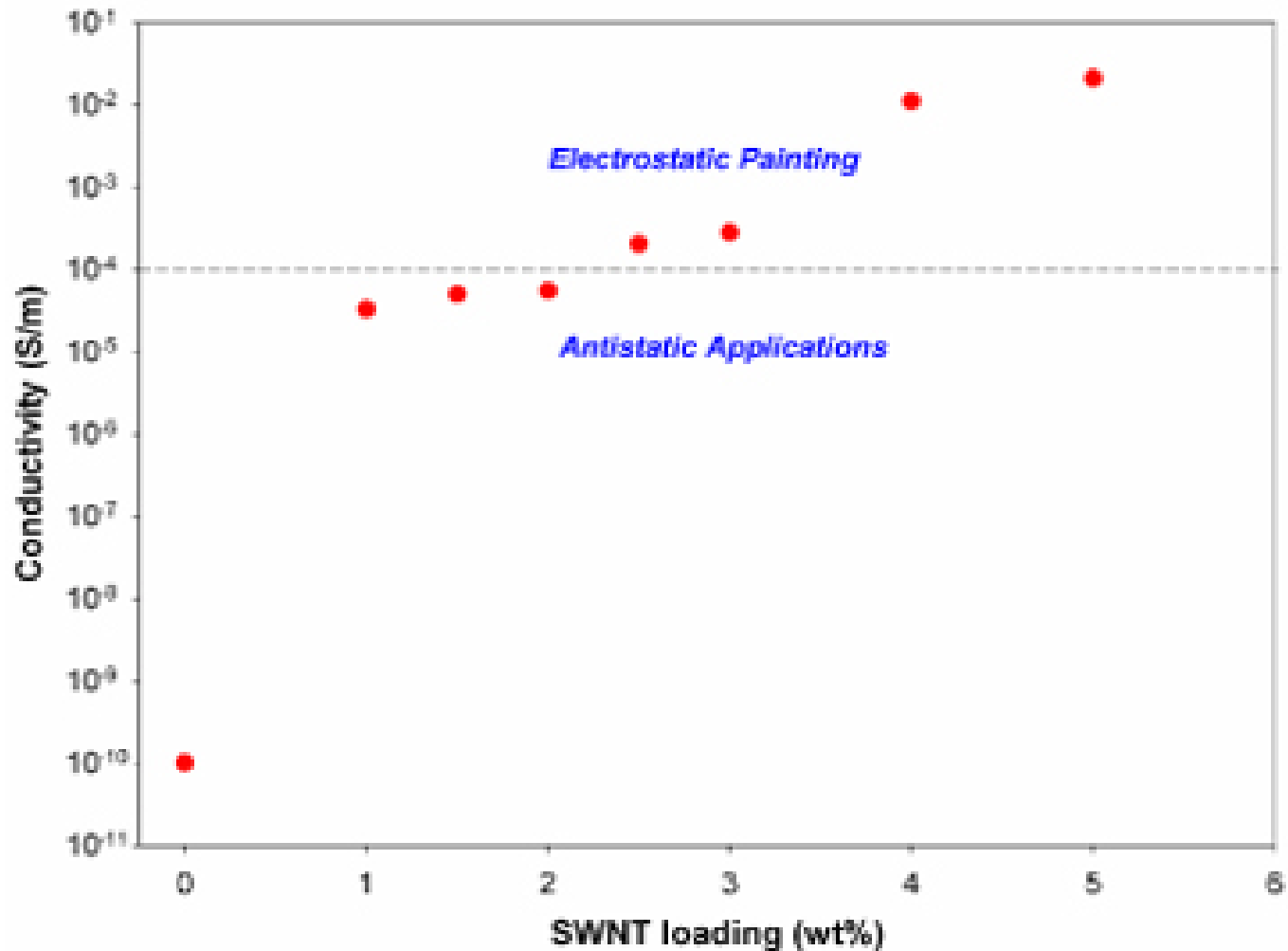
CNTs have extremely high thermal conductivities > 2000 W/m- degree K for some SWNTs



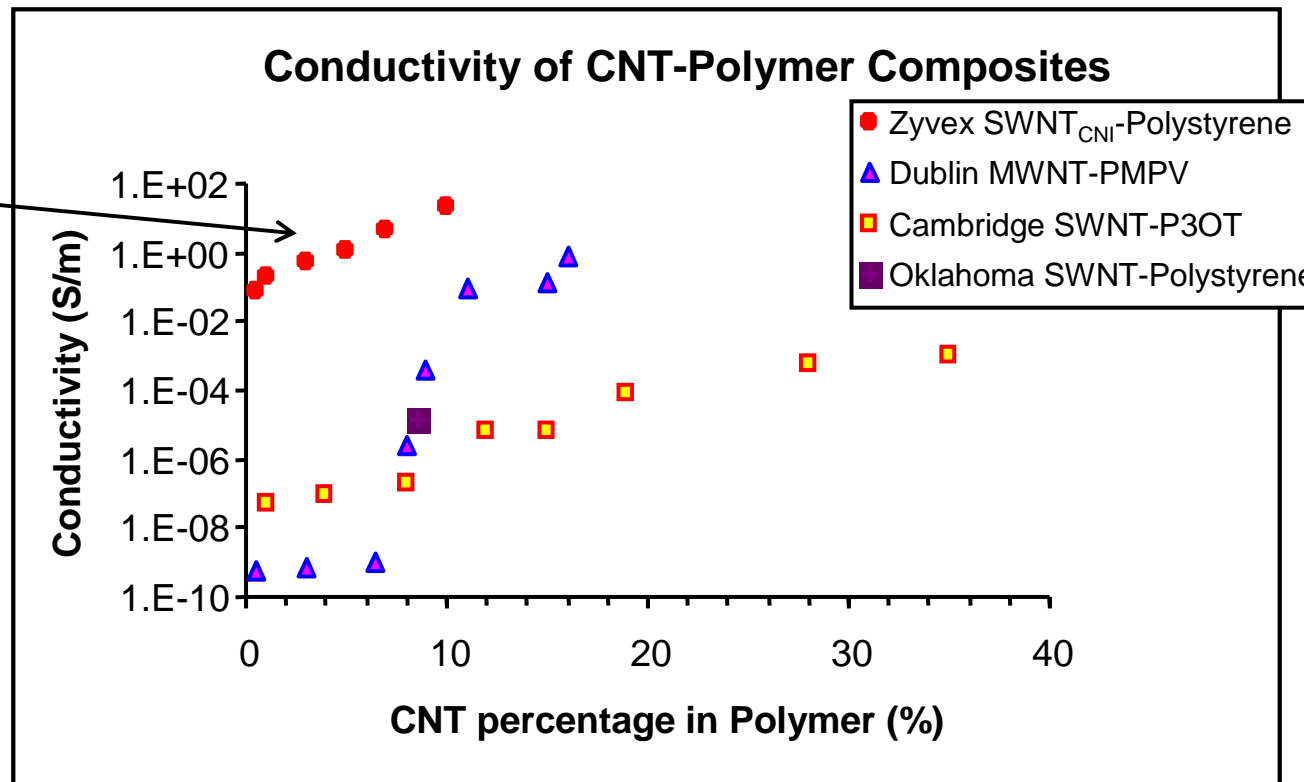


Electrical Conductivity of Polyurethane

Electrical Conductivity Enhancement of Polyurethane



Conductivity as an indicator for CNT dispersion

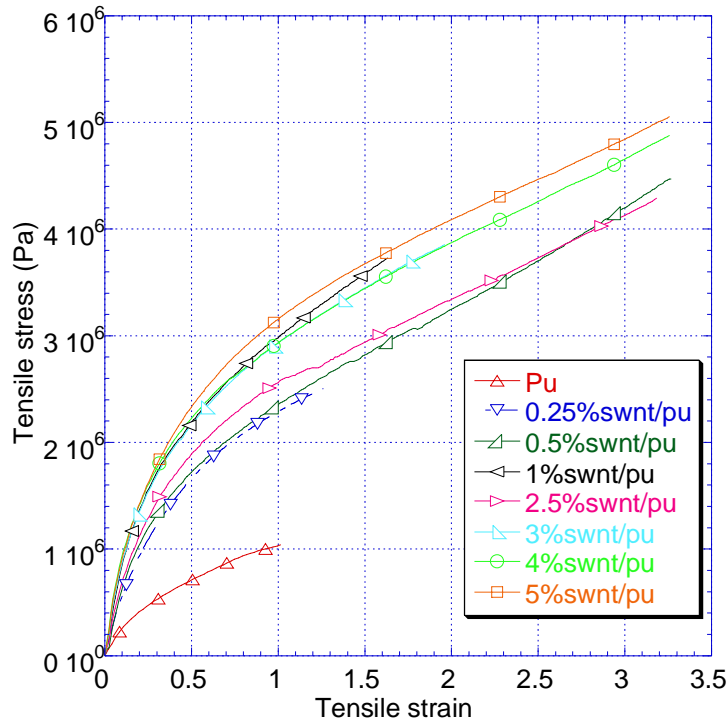


Dispersed SWNTs significantly increase the electrical conductivity



SWNT/ Polyurethane Tensile Modulus, Yield Stress, and Fracture Stress

- Solids Analyzer RSA-3. at 0.25%, 0.5%, 1%, 2.5%, 3%, 4%, 5% wt percent to the pre-polymer. 5%SWNT/PU are increased by 298% and 183% respectively compared to the neat PU



Composition	Tensile modulus of elasticity (MPa)	Yield stress (Pa)	Fracture stress (MPa)	Strain at the max stress (%)
Polyurethane	2.8863	210700	1.04	101.44
0.25%swnt/PU	6.6538	332690	2.5036	126
0.5%swnt/PU	8.4849	398790	4.47	326.63+
1% swnt/PU	9.249	406956	4.29	318
2.5%swnt/PU	10.563	528150	3.73	163.39
3% swnt/PU	11.359	545232	3.8526	196.27
4%swnt/PU	11.495	586245	4.8785	325.65+
5%swnt/PU	11.485	597220	5.054	325.65+

Data courtesy of Prof. Nandika D'Souza Univ. of North Texas



Polycarbonate Property Enhancements

- Polycarbonate – Mechanical Properties of Cast Films (Lexan 101) at 3wt% MWNT Loading
 - 100% Improvement in tensile strength (~66MPa vs. ~32MPa)
 - 200%+ Improvement in Young's Modulus (~1.8GPa vs. .7GPa)
 - One order of magnitude - Improvement in Elongation to Break (65% vs. 10%)
- Polycarbonate – Electrical Properties of Cast Films (Lexan 101) at 1wt% CNT Loading
 - 5 S/m SWNT
 - 0.8 S/m MWNT



Epoxy Case Study Property Enhancements

- Epoxy – Epon 828 with only 1 wt% CNT loading in uni-directional carbon fiber laminates
 - 5-10% improvement in tensile strength, modulus, short beam shear, flex modulus
 - 13-15% improvement in 3 point bend flex strength



Hierarchical Composites Compromising Continuous Carbon Nanotube Composite Fibers in a Nanotube-Reinforced Matrix

NASA SBIR Phase II (599k)

PI: Gopi Balasubramaniyam,, Zyvex Corporation

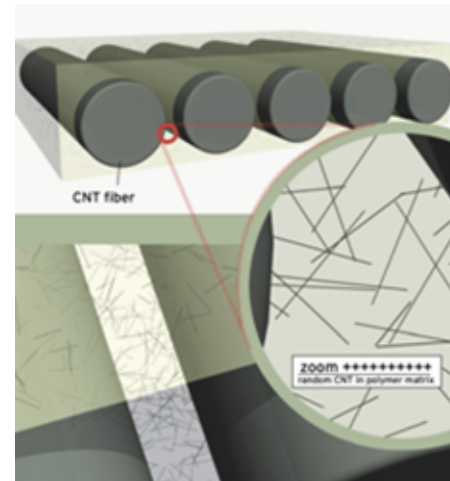
Identification and Significance of Innovation

The Zyvex/UTD team will develop technology to fabricate hierarchical composites of continuous Carbon Nanotube (CNT) composite fibers in a CNT-reinforced matrix.

The program builds on recent breakthroughs:

- Zyvex's CNT functionalization approach that dramatically increases CNT solubility without degrading CNT properties. This has resulted in high-strength CNT-reinforced polymer matrices.
- UTD's continuous CNT composite fibers.

These approaches, combined here for the first time, will result in mechanical properties exceeding those of current carbon fiber composites.



Conceptual Drawing of Hierarchical CNT Composite-in-Composite

Technical Objective and Work Plan

Technical Objective:

We intend to make ultra-high-performance composites that utilize CNTs on two structural levels: continuous CNT composite fibers will reinforce a matrix that is itself a CNT composite.

Work Plan:

1. Develop strong continuous CNT composite fibers by optimizing UTD's fiber spinning technology.
2. Develop CNT-reinforced polymer matrices using Zyvex-functionalized single wall nanotubes.
3. Combine these high strength continuous fibers (CNT fibers, carbon fibers etc.) and improved matrices to obtain ultra-high-strength composites.

NASA and non-NASA Applications

- Lightweight, multifunctional structural components for aerospace vehicles, armor, helmets, and fabrics for soldier uniforms
- Multifunctional structural components for the space station
- Advanced materials for fabrics and coatings used in space suits and other space applications
- Coatings and bonding agents for high-value components and equipment
- Composites for satellite armor
- Materials for thermal management
- Advanced materials for medical applications (prosthesis, artificial joints, splints)
- Structural components for high-value civilian transportation
- Materials for professional sports and leisure equipment such as yachts, race cars, golf clubs, fishing rods, and tennis equipment
- Advanced flywheels capable of significantly higher rotational speed



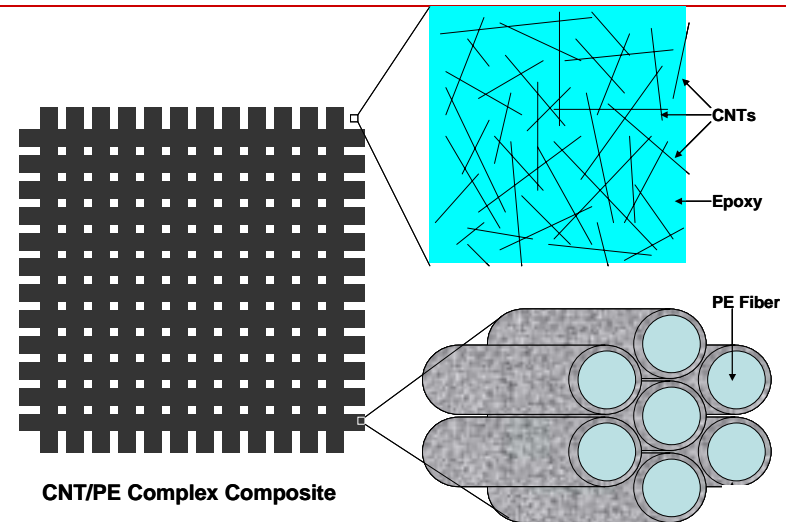
Multifunctional Carbon Nanotube/Polyethylene Complex Composite for Space Radiation Shielding NASA SBIR Phase I (\$97K)

Identification and Significance of Innovation

Polyethylene (PE) has been identified at NASA as a promising radiation shielding material against galactic cosmic rays and solar energetic particles. Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) are recognized as the ultimate carbon fibers for high performance, multifunctional composites.

The Zyvex team will develop a multifunctional CNT/PE complex composite that utilize continuous PE fibers will reinforce a matrix that is itself a CNT/epoxy composite.

The program builds on a recent breakthrough: Zyvex's CNT functionalization approach that dramatically increases CNT solubility without degrading CNT properties. This has resulted in high-strength, high electrically conductive CNT-reinforced polymer composites.



Technical Objective and Work Plan

Technical Objective:

We intend to make a multifunctional CNT/PE complex composite with high radiation shielding performance, high mechanical strength, high electrical conductivity, and improved thermal stability.

Work Plan:

1. Develop an electrically conductive PE fiber fabric.
2. Produce a CNT-reinforced epoxy matrix.
3. Investigate the radiation shielding effectiveness of CNT/PE complex composite against space radiation.
4. Measure the physical properties of CNT/PE complex composite before and after the radiation exposure.

NASA and non-NASA Applications

- Lightweight, multifunctional structural components for aerospace transportation vehicles, and liquid hydrogen tanks
- Multifunctional structural components for the space structures
- Advanced materials for fabrics and coatings used in space suits and other space applications
- Components and coatings for deep space power systems, and in-space manufacturing and repairing
- Coatings and bonding agents for high-value components and equipment
- Composites for satellite armor
- Space and aerospace crafts and habitats for commercial space travel
- Components for particle accelerators and nuclear reactors
- Radioactive chemical, biological and nuclear waste containment vessels
- Materials for professional sports and leisure equipment such as yachts, race cars, golf clubs, fishing rods, and tennis equipment
- Lightweight, multifunctional materials for soldier uniforms, armor, and helmets



DARPA Multifunctional Next Generation Carbon Nanotube Super Fibers

PI: Hassan Ait-Haddou, Ph.D., Zyvex Corporation

TECHNICAL OBJECTIVES

- Zyvex will develop ultra-high strength and multi-functional carbon nanotube (CNT) continuous spun fibers.
- By applying Zyvex’s independently developed CNT functionalizing technology, we will develop the fundamental material that will enable an entire new generation of super-strong, multi-functional, composite materials.

APPLICATIONS

Concept Representation of a Reconfigurable Array of Tethered Airships



- Woven fabrics and tethers will enable large reconfigurable arrays of moderate sized airships
- Super strong fibers with high thermal conductivity can also be woven into multi-functional fabrics that provide both ballistic protection and thermal management
- Enabling material for a low cost system to de-orbit satellites

TECHNICAL APPROACH

- The principal outcome of this seedling program will be development of an organic solvent based CNT fiber spinning process by incorporating our functionalizing technology that overcomes some severe limitations associated with CNT suspensions in aqueous solutions.
- Our demonstrated excellent dispersion and high concentration solutions in organic solvents will not only produce better uniformity in the spun fibers, but also opens up the choice of potential binders to virtually any polymer material.

BUDGET AND SCHEDULE

Task Description	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1. Select Materials	●	▲		
2. Functionalize the SWNTs	●	●		
3. Develop Organic-Solvent-Based Fiber Spinning Process		●	▲	●
4. Produce Fiber Material for Characterization and Testing		●	●	●
5. Characterize and Test Fibers for Process Development		●	●	●
6. Characterize and Test Improved Fibers				●

Budget (\$207k), 12 month program

DARPA DSO Seedling Program



5 Stage New Product Development Process

zyvex New Product Development Process					
Phase	1. Concept Feasibility and Evaluation	2. Planning and Specifications	3. Core Development	4. Manufacturing Translation and Pilot Translation	5. Pilot and Sales Release
Objectives	Define product goals and objectives. Conduct market research and competitive analysis. Evaluate technical feasibility and regulatory requirements.	Develop a detailed product plan and specifications. Define key performance indicators (KPIs) and milestones.	Develop a core product design and prototype. Conduct initial testing and validation.	Develop a manufacturing plan and pilot translation strategy. Conduct pilot production and testing.	Conduct pilot production and sales release. Monitor product performance and customer feedback.
Inputs	Market research, competitive analysis, technical requirements, regulatory requirements.	Product plan, specifications, KPIs, milestones.	Core product design, prototype, initial testing and validation results.	Manufacturing plan, pilot translation strategy, pilot production and testing results.	Pilot production and sales release results, customer feedback.
Outputs	Product goals and objectives, market research, competitive analysis, technical feasibility, regulatory requirements.	Product plan, specifications, KPIs, milestones.	Core product design, prototype, initial testing and validation results.	Manufacturing plan, pilot translation strategy, pilot production and testing results.	Pilot production and sales release results, customer feedback.
Development	Market research, competitive analysis, technical requirements, regulatory requirements.	Product plan, specifications, KPIs, milestones.	Core product design, prototype, initial testing and validation results.	Manufacturing plan, pilot translation strategy, pilot production and testing results.	Pilot production and sales release results, customer feedback.
Sales and Marketing	Market research, competitive analysis, technical requirements, regulatory requirements.	Product plan, specifications, KPIs, milestones.	Core product design, prototype, initial testing and validation results.	Manufacturing plan, pilot translation strategy, pilot production and testing results.	Pilot production and sales release results, customer feedback.
Manufacturing	Market research, competitive analysis, technical requirements, regulatory requirements.	Product plan, specifications, KPIs, milestones.	Core product design, prototype, initial testing and validation results.	Manufacturing plan, pilot translation strategy, pilot production and testing results.	Pilot production and sales release results, customer feedback.
Quality	Market research, competitive analysis, technical requirements, regulatory requirements.	Product plan, specifications, KPIs, milestones.	Core product design, prototype, initial testing and validation results.	Manufacturing plan, pilot translation strategy, pilot production and testing results.	Pilot production and sales release results, customer feedback.
Research	Market research, competitive analysis, technical requirements, regulatory requirements.	Product plan, specifications, KPIs, milestones.	Core product design, prototype, initial testing and validation results.	Manufacturing plan, pilot translation strategy, pilot production and testing results.	Pilot production and sales release results, customer feedback.
Finance	Market research, competitive analysis, technical requirements, regulatory requirements.	Product plan, specifications, KPIs, milestones.	Core product design, prototype, initial testing and validation results.	Manufacturing plan, pilot translation strategy, pilot production and testing results.	Pilot production and sales release results, customer feedback.

1. Concept Feasibility and Evaluation
2. Planning and Specifications
3. Core Development
4. Manufacturing and Pilot Translation
5. Pilot and Sales Release



Time to Market

- Late 2001 Conception and First Lab demonstration
- April 2002 Presentation to Patent Review Board
- May 2002 Filed patents on CNT functionalization
- July 2002 JACS Paper on CNT functionalization
- October 2002 Started New Product Development Process
- December 2002 First Industrial Research Contract
- February 2003 Phase I SBIR with NASA JSC
- September 2003 First sample sold to Boson Scientific
- February 2004 Second Industrial Research Contract
- January 2004 Phase II SBIR with NASA JSC
- June 2004 Supply Chain Certification Program
- July 2004 DARPA Funding for CNT Fibers



Time to Market

- August 2004 Third Industrial Research Contract
- September 2004 Easton Announces CNT reinforced Bike parts
- October 2004 Forth Industrial Research Contract
- December 2004 Fifth Industrial Research Contract
- January 2005 Phase I SBIR with NASA Marshall
- January 2005 Sixth Industrial Research Contract
- February 2005 Seventh Industrial Research Contract
- May 2005 Easton releases line of CNT Baseball Bats
- May 2005 Eighth Industrial Research Contract
- June 2005 Notification of R&D 100 Award for NanoSolve
- June 2005 Eight Industrial Research Contract
- June 2005 Aldila releasing golf club shafts to Pros



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The Ballpark

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LIVE ACTION | DESIGN | ANIMATION



Commercialization Successes

- Easton and Aldila are the first customers in production our epoxy CNT products
- We are working seriously with several other companies:
 - Honeywell
 - Intel
 - Boeing
 - Lockheed Martin
 - Raytheon
 - Others (Confidential)



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