

Nano Trends and Prospects based on Patent Analysis

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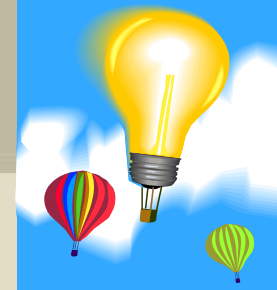
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What is a Patent?



- Invention means the highly advanced creation of technical ideas utilizing the Rules of Nature.
- A Patent for an invention is granted by a government to the inventor, giving the inventor the right for a limited period to stop others from making, using or selling the invention without the permission of the inventor.
- When a patent is granted, the invention becomes the property of the inventor, which (like any other form of property or business asset) can be bought, sold, rented or hired.
- Patents are exclusive rights.
 - ✓ Virtually no rights in unclaimed subject matter.
 - ✓ Strategic claim drafting is important.

To be patentable, your invention must;

- Be new
- Involve an inventive step
- Be capable of industrial application



Invention in Nano World ?

Patents in Technological Activity

- Technology in which there exists a protectable, legal property right.
- To use data collected by patenting agencies to construct level, structure, evolution of technological activities.
- Direct measurement of technological fields, Internationally comparable.
- But, patents are different greatly in their economic value
 - ✓ Technical class do not fit into industry class

Nanotechnology Patenting

- **Nanotechnology brings together many disciplines of sciences.**

- ✓ Chemistry
- ✓ Physics/Electronics
- ✓ Materials
- ✓ Bio/Pharma

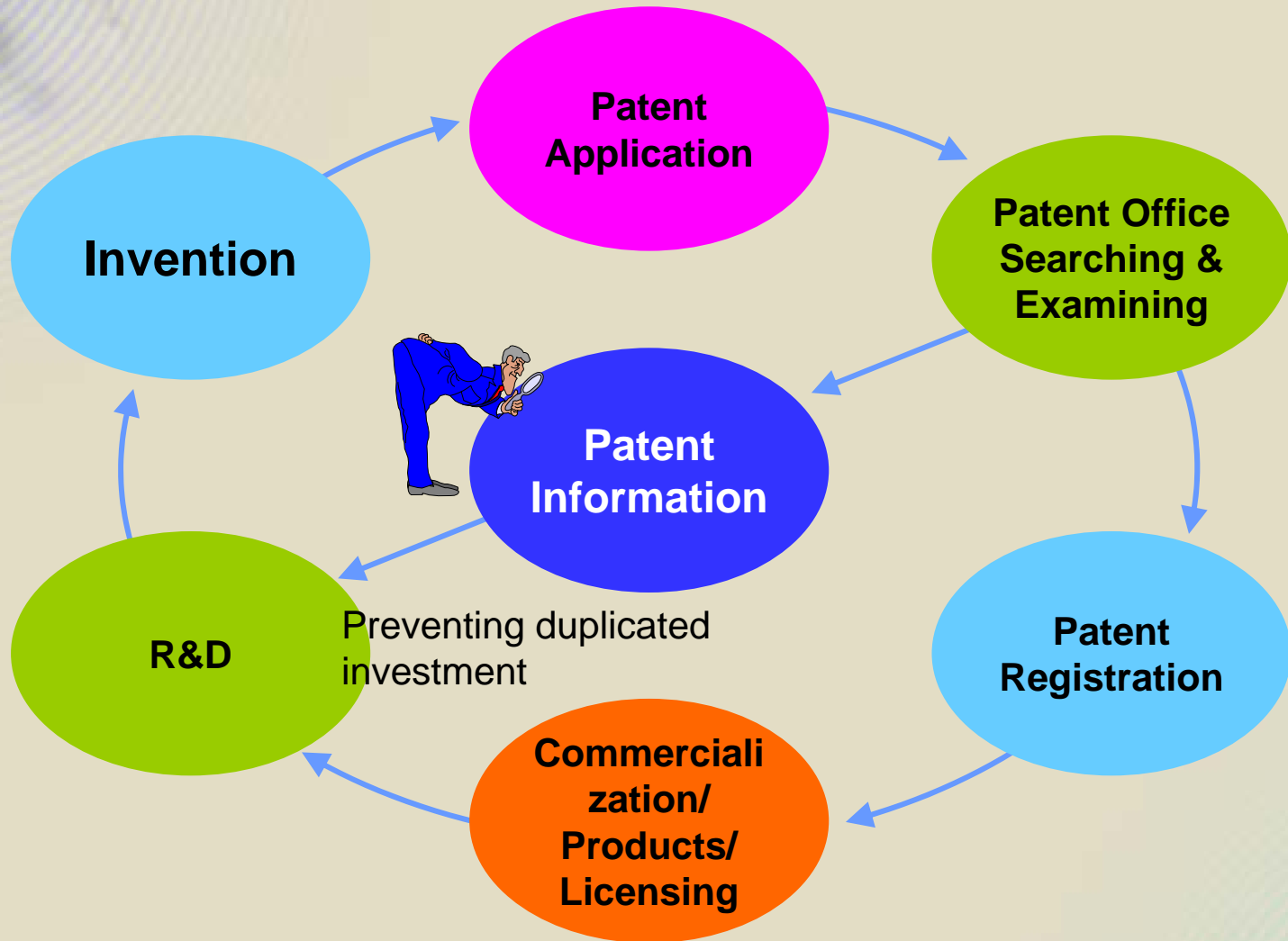
New Rules =
New Inventions



- **Challenge of Patenting in Nanotechnology**

- ✓ What is it?

The Role of Patent Informations in R&D



Recovery of R&D Costs
and Re-investment



Patent Map (Tool)

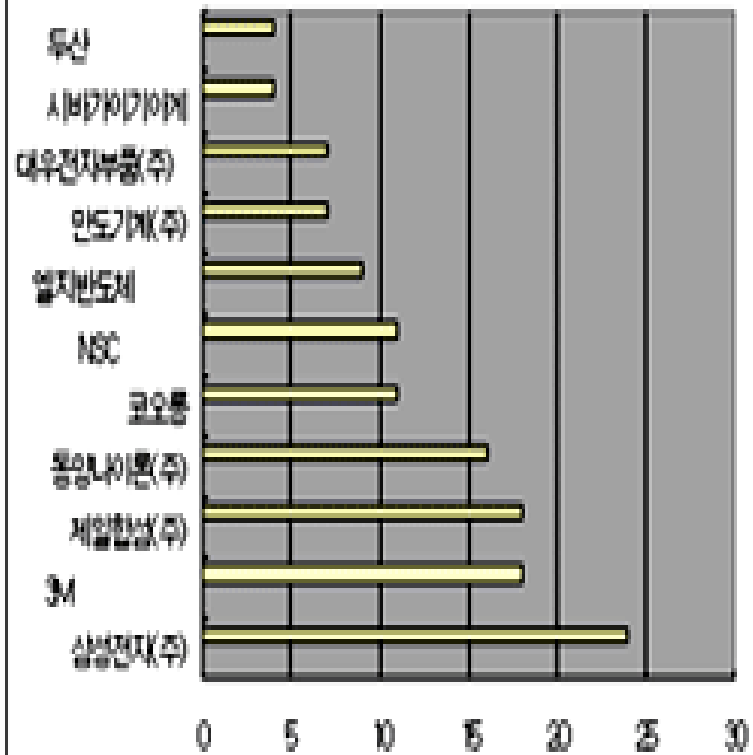
- A patent map is a process that shows the whole picture of the situation like a **map** through analysis of the result of the search.
 - 1) To understand the trend of the new technology (ex, NT) through patent information
 - 2) To understand the main point of the technology described in the patent
 - 3) To prevent dispute over patent rights
 - 4) To acquire objective self-assessment and comparison with competitors
 - 5) To establish strong strategy with regard to the matters of patents and technology

Analyzing Patent Information

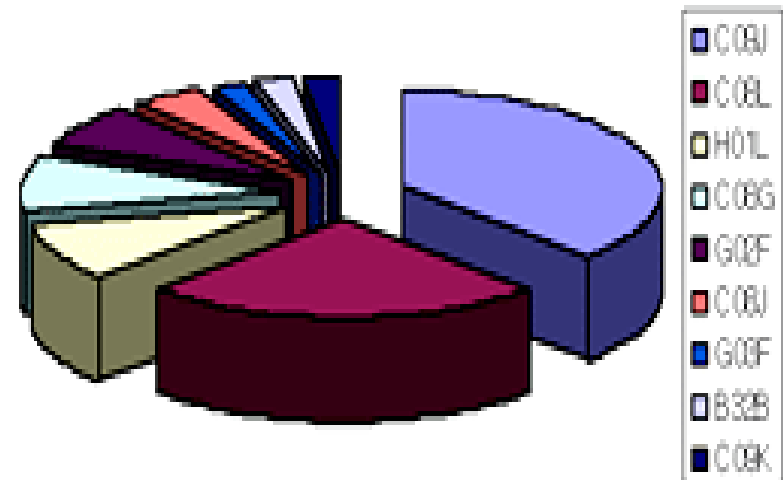
- **Quantitative** Analysis; most usable data comes from bibliographical information including the number of patent applications.
 - 1) Quantity-based Analysis
 - 2) Time-based Analysis
 - 3) Ranking Analysis
- **Qualitative** Analysis; this method is performed by the inter-relationship of technologies concerned.
 - 1) Selection of core patent
 - 2) Technology development map, etc

Examples (Patent Map)

Application by Major Applicant



Application rate by IPC



Examples for Nano-Patents Analysis

- Foreign Countries

- ✓ USA - Longitudinal Patent Analysis for Nanoscale Science and Engineering (J. of Nanoparticle Research, 2003, supported by NSF)
- ✓ JAPAN - Trends of Patent Applications in Nanotechnology (JPO, 2002, 2003) etc
- ✓ Belgium - NANOTECHNOLOGY Analysis of an Emerging Domain of Scientific and Technological Endeavor (Steunpunt O&O Statistieken, 2003)

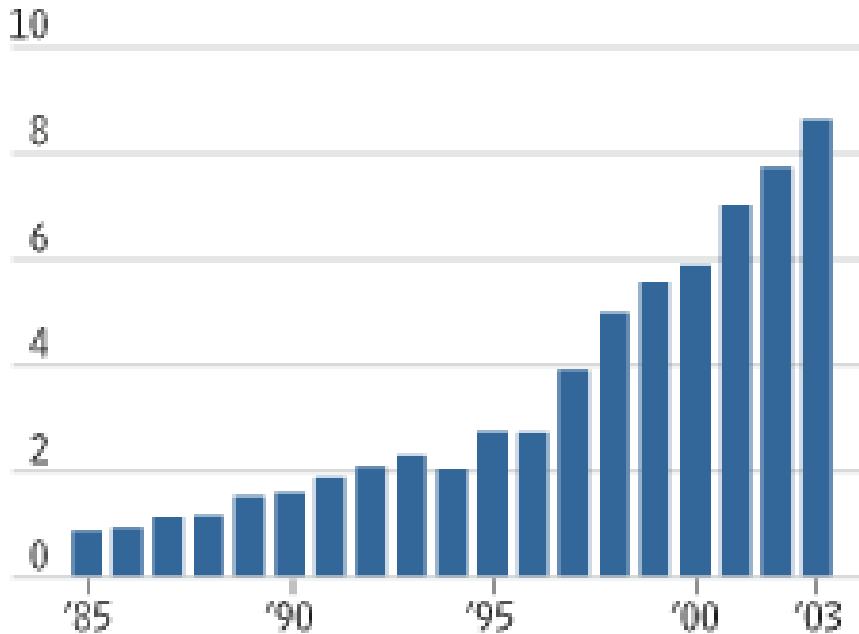
- Domestic

- ✓ The Importance of Patent Information in Nanotechnology (KIPO, NT Study Club, 2003)
- ✓ Competition Analysis in Nanotechnology by Korean and US Patents (STEPI, 2002)
- ✓ Information Analysis of Technology and Industry in Nanotechnology (KISTI, 2002-present)

USA - NSF Results (1)

SMALL EXPLOSION

U.S. nanotechnology-related patents issued per year, in thousands



Source: *Journal of Nanoparticle Research*

IBM won the most nanotech-related patents in 2003.

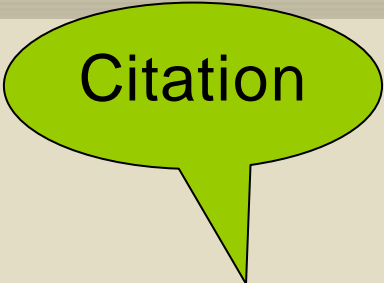
Driving the patenting boom is the potential for licensing revenue and power to control emerging technologies.

USA - NSF Results (2)

Year	United States	Japan	United Kingdom	France	Switzerland	China (Taiwan)	Italy	Republic of Korea	Netherlands	Australia
1976	538	40	0	21	7	0	6	0	2	1
1977	670	21	0	19	6	0	6	0	0	5
1978	670	36	5	34	8	0	1	0	4	8
1979	516	27	3	20	9	0	4	0	2	2
1980	718	39	15	24	6	0	5	0	1	2
1981	806	53	13	20	8	0	12	0	4	5
1982	724	43	17	29	3	0	5	0	2	2
1983	874	57	10	41	7	0	7	0	2	5
1984	975	65	21	25	12	0	5	0	4	2
1985	1005	64	16	56	2	0	7	0	4	4
1986	1104	93	14	44	9	0	8	0	1	6
1987	1376	112	24	51	5	0	14	0	4	4
1988	1263	129	22	52	10	0	8	0	1	5
1989	1647	172	30	59	13	0	13	0	5	6
1990	1666	179	33	65	11	2	12	1	5	8
1991	1824	214	45	60	12	4	9	4	4	3
1992	2072	280	24	68	16	6	10	2	5	13
1993	2289	312	38	67	10	5	18	3	6	11
1994	2049	373	29	73	9	2	12	7	4	16
1996	2519	423	40	75	11	17	15	14	5	13
1997	3623	513	56	146	15	16	26	18	8	19
1998	4731	643	82	164	27	36	28	51	12	25
1999	4883	694	84	182	37	60	28	56	18	22
2000	5181	820	68	182	45	65	33	43	21	28
2001	6254	923	74	256	63	80	38	76	114	25
2002	6425	1050	100	245	55	86	44	87	66	61

Rank	Assignee Country	Number of Patents
1	United States	56828
2	Japan	7574
3	France	2087
4	United Kingdom	871
5	Switzerland	419
6	China (Taiwan)	382
7	Italy	377
8	Republic of Korea	368
9	Netherlands	308
10	Australia	307
11	Sweden	264
12	Belgium	193
13	Finland	125
14	Denmark	104

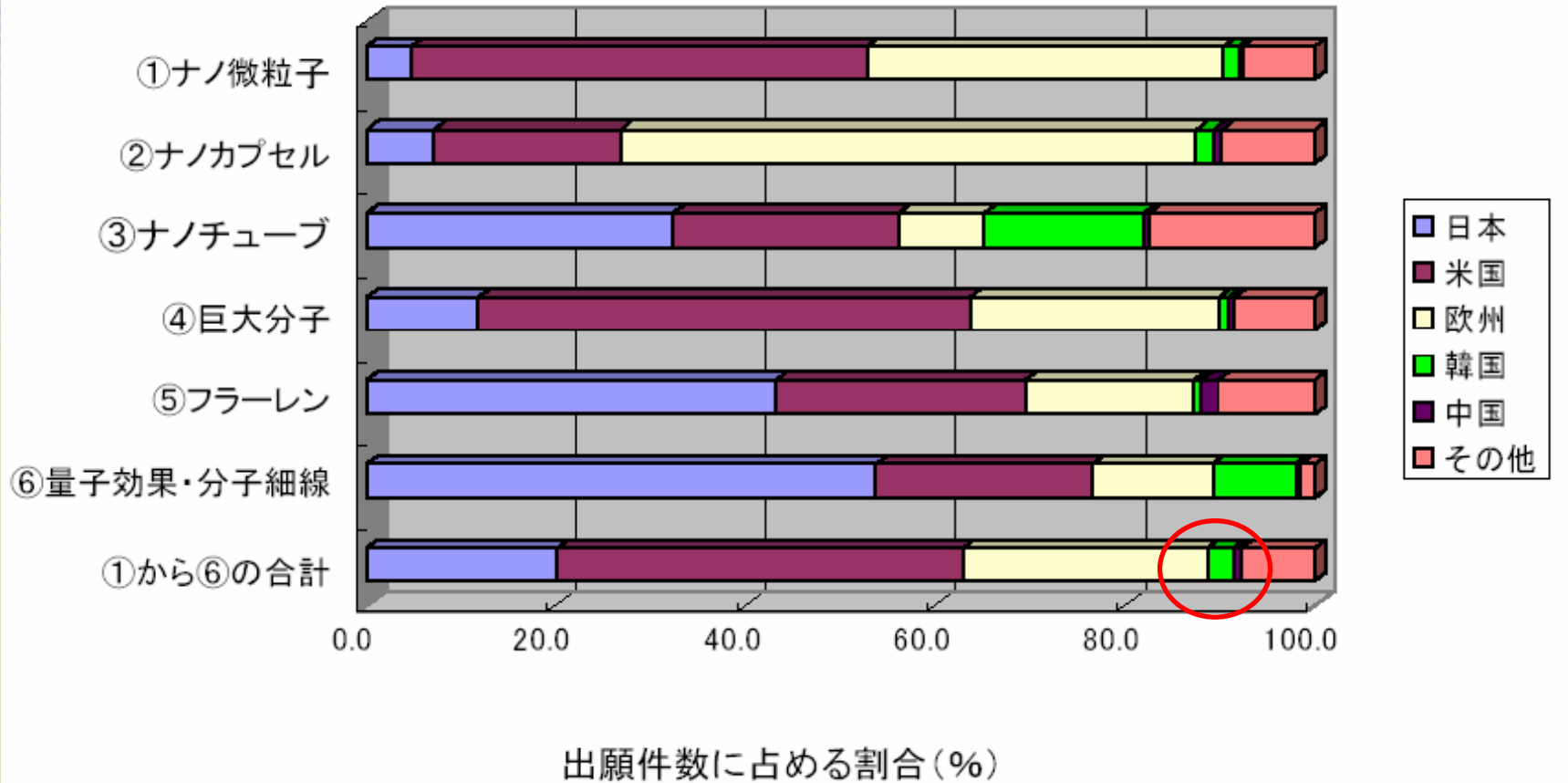
USA - NSF Results (3)



Field Name	Number of Patents
Chemistry: molecular biology and microbiology	7946
Drug, bio-affecting and body treating compositions (CCL-514)	6183
Drug, bio-affecting and body treating compositions (CCL-424)	4683
Radiant energy	4657
Stock material or miscellaneous articles	3939
Active solid state devices (e.g., transistors, solid-state diodes)	3933
Semiconductor device manufacturing: process	3877
Organic compounds -- part of the class 532-570 series	3756
Chemistry: natural resins or derivatives; peptides or proteins; lignins or reaction products thereof	3753
Optics: systems (including communication) and elements	3404
Coating processes	3265
Chemistry: analytical and immunological testing	3027
Radiation imagery chemistry: process, composition, or product thereof	2983
Optics: measuring and testing	2957
Static information storage and retrieval	2310
Miscellaneous active electrical nonlinear devices, circuits, and systems	2286
Chemistry: electrical and wave energy	1864
Chemical apparatus and process disinfecting, deodorizing, preserving, or sterilizing	1829
Coherent light generators	1775
Compositions	1680
Multiplex communications	1638

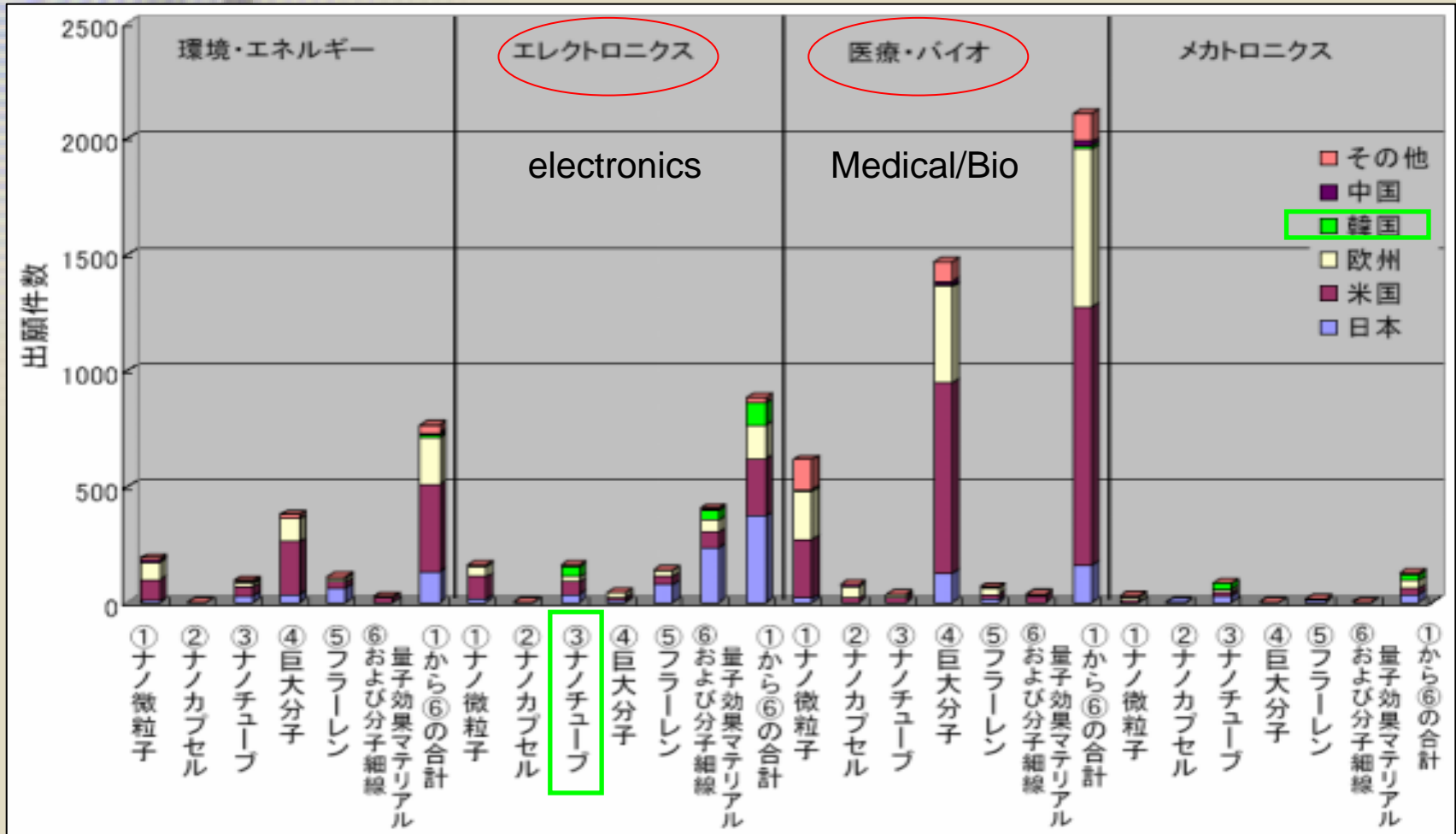
Industry	Number of Patents	Cites Per Patent
Chemical/catalyst/pharmaceutical	18784	4.22
Electronics	16704	3.53
Materials	4860	4.37
Others	41352	3.73

Japan - JPO Results (1)



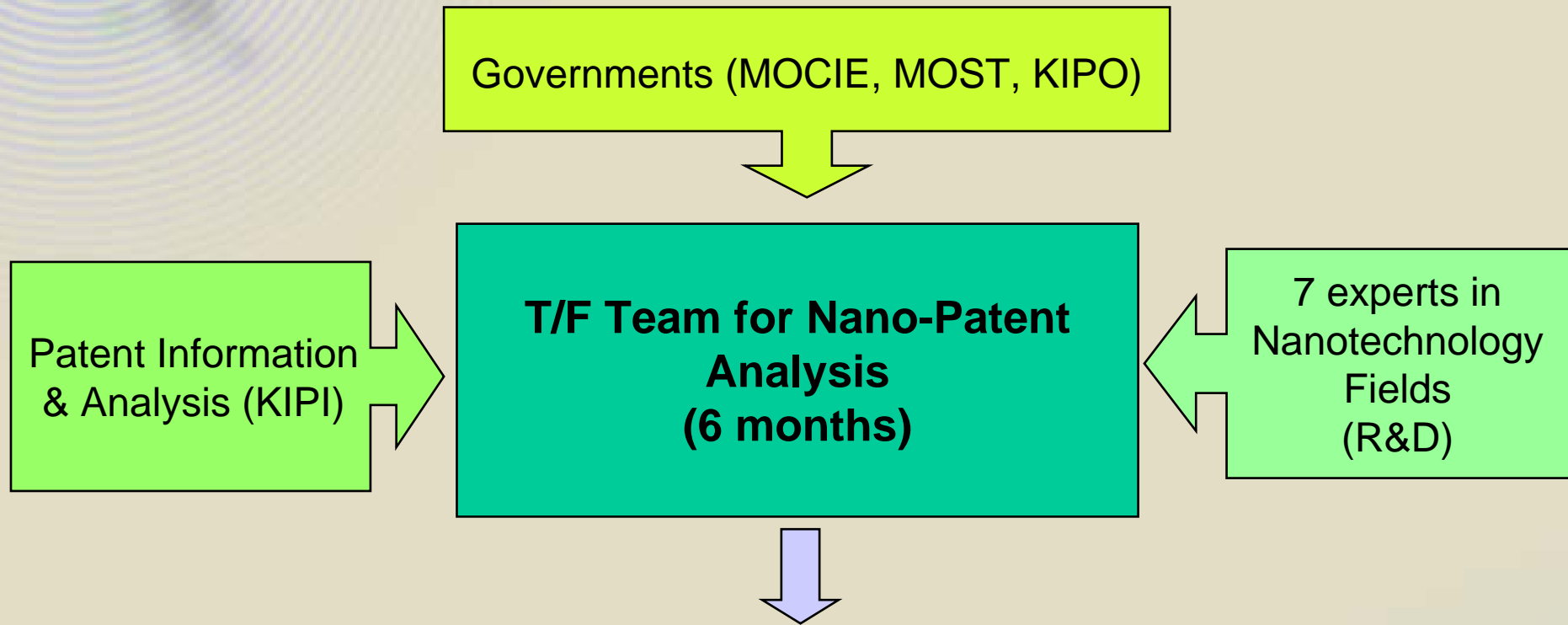
- Ranking : USA, Europe, Japan, Korea, China
- Japan - Fullerene, Quantum Effect / Korea - Nanotube

Japan - JPO Results (2)



- USA – Medical/Bio
- Korea - Nanotube

NT Patents Analysis Project



- Quantitative and Qualitative Analysis in Korea and Foreign Countries.
- Trying to improve the efficiency of government-funded R&D.
 - ✓ An indicator for planning and evaluating government-funded R&D projects



Searching Nanopatents

- Nanotechnology is not clearly defined as a term.
- There is no formal classification scheme for Nanopatents.
- Additionally, KIPO lacks effective automation tools for nanotechnology “prior art” searching.

Judicious use of Key terms and Class codes

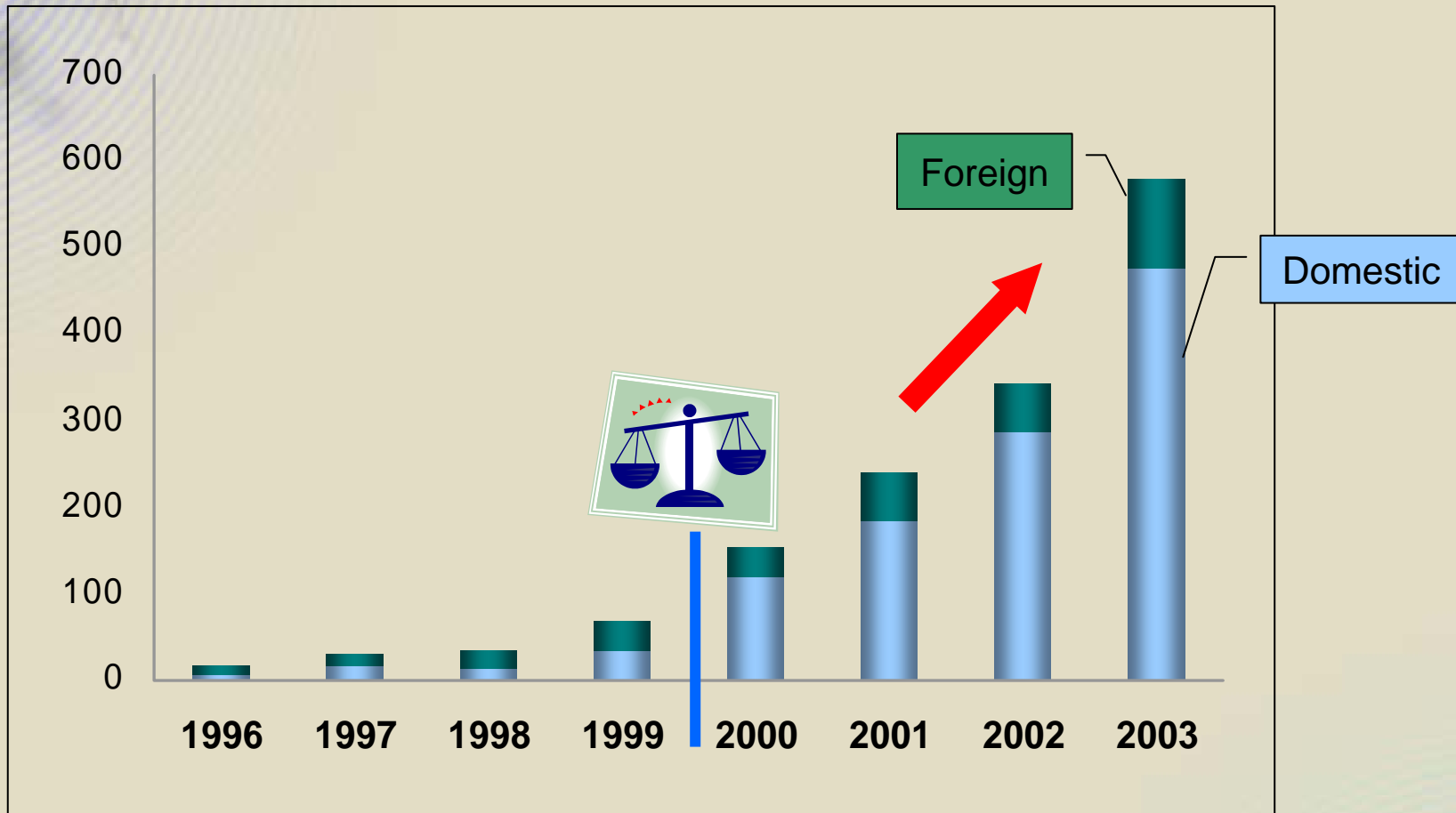
- ✓ Patents are analyzed by using PIAS program and KIPO database (KIPASS).
- ✓ Keyword Search + IPC(International Patent Class)
- ✓ Carbon nanotube/Nanocomposites/Nanoparticles

Production of Smoked Pottery having Silver Luster (Patent Abstract of Japan S55-42280)

- **PURPOSE:** To remarkably enhance the luster of pottery by coating the surface of a base material with an aq. soln. or a suspension of an alkali (earth) metal salt and by facilitating the effect of depositing a carbon film in a smoking process to form a **silver**-colored carbon film uniformly and smoothly.
- **CONSTITUTION:** The surface of a base material such as a tile is coated with an aq. soln. of a suspension contg. 0.5~50wt% of an alkali (earth) metal salt such as NaOH, **NaNO₃** or KNO₃. The coated tile is calcined at about 1000°C as usual and smoked to produce smoked pottery. To the above aq. soln. or suspension may be added an aq. soln. (water glass) of a melt of glassy solid such as an alkali (earth) silicate or a mixt. of an alkali silicate and silicic acid. By this method the base material surface is made water-impermeable, and a smoked tile undergoing no discoloration and fading can be produced cheaply.

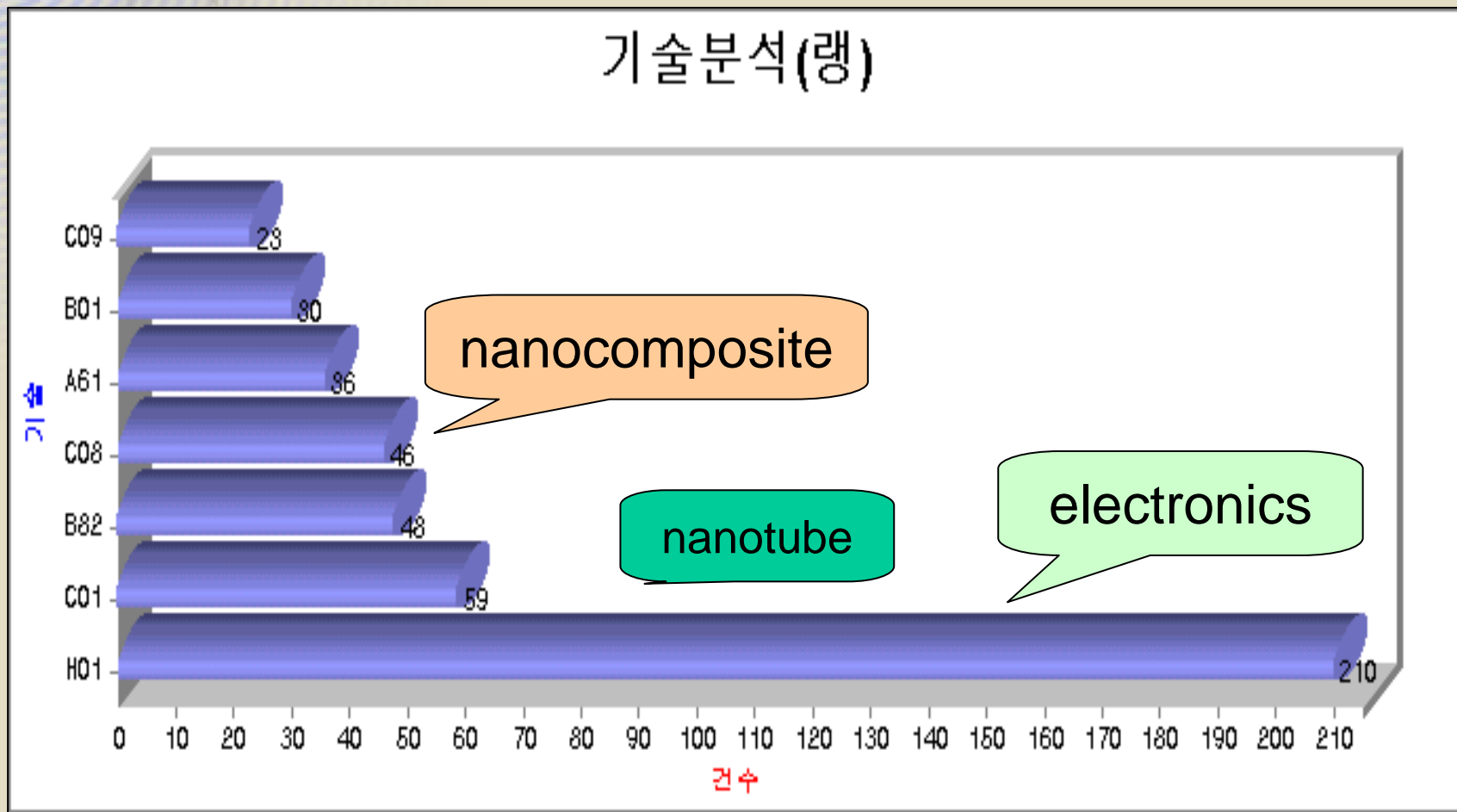
Not a nano-patent !

Numbers of Patents by year in KIPO



- Foreign/Domestic = 22% / 78%, based on application processed.
- After 2000 year, nano-patents were increased rapidly (Domestic case)

Ranking Map by IPC in KIPO



In domestic case, Carbon Nanotube is major in nanotechnology fields.

Foreign vs. Domestic

Points	Comparison
Application Date	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Foreign inventors have applied (or invented) for patents early.• It means that there is a big gap in technology• Searching prior art more widely and precisely before inventing something
Claims	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Every foreign patent has many claims per patent.<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Product Claim, Process Claim, Method Claim, Use Claim✓ It is a pioneering patent.• Keep in mind that strategic claim drafting is as important as invention
Interesting Fields	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Foreign patents covered most fields of key nanotechnology.• Find out the strategic policies and plans in our R&D direction• Selection of Research Fields & Concentration of Investment

Trends in Nano-Patents

- Thousands of nano-patents have shown recently.
 - ✓ Claim terminology as an indicator of trends
 - ✓ Nano, nanoparticle, nanotube, nanowire etc.
- From Materials to Applications
 - ✓ From Vision to Commercialization
- Major Fields
 - ✓ Carbon Nanotube/Nanocomposite/Nanoparticles
- Focus on Pioneering (or Core) Patent
 - ✓ There are a lot of patent applications in quantity.
 - ✓ There is no Core Patent.
- Nano-Invention, Nano-Patent
 - ✓ Maximizing patent protection
 - ✓ Building Bulletproof Patents





Nano-Materials Roadmap

Impact on Space Transportation, Space Science and HEDS

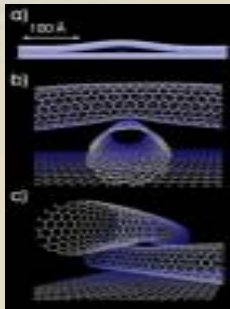
2002

2005

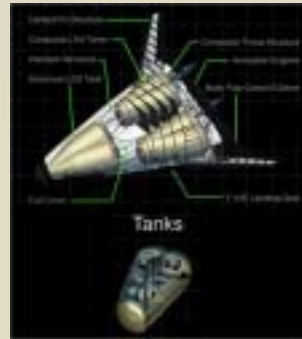
2010

2015

Mission Complexity ↑



Production of single CNT



RLV Cryo Tanks

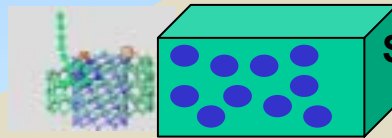


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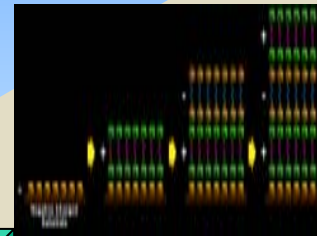
Generation 3 RLV
HEDS Habitats



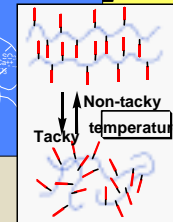
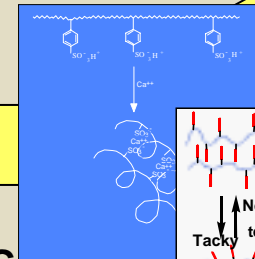
SELF-HEALING MATERIALS



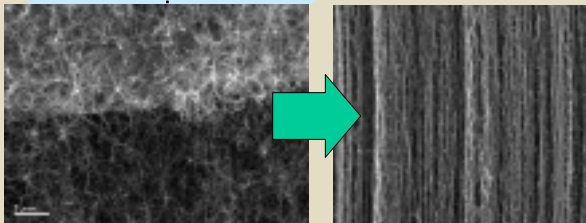
NANOTUBE COMPOSITES



SELF-ASSEMBLING MATERIALS



MULTIFUNCTIONAL MATERIALS



Nanotextiles

Strong Smart Structures →

Selected Patents of Carbon Nanotube

- Thermochemical vapor phase deposition apparatus and low-temperature **synthesis** of carbon nanotube using the same
- **Field emission display** element using carbon nanotube and its manufacture
- Nanosize vertical **transistor** using carbon nanotube and method of manufacturing the transistor
- DNA nanocage by self-organization of DNA and method for producing the same, and **DNA nanotube and molecular carrier** using the same

Materials - Applications

Some Features in Nano-patents (1)



US 2002/0024099 A1

(10) **United States**
 (12) **Patent Application Publication**
 Watanabe et al.
 (11) Pub. No.: **US 2002/0024099 A1**
 (13) Pub. Date: **Feb. 28, 2002**

(51) **TRANSISTOR**

(52) **Foreign Application Priority Data**

Aug. 31, 2000 (JP) 2000-265944

(75) Inventor: **Hiroynshi Watanabe**,
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 Shimizu**, Naka-ku, Shi (JP); **Chikara
 Munobe**, Minamiashi-gu, Shi (JP)

Publication Classification

(51) **Int. Cl.** H01T 31/10, H01T 31/11;
 H01T 39/04

(52) **U.S. Cl.** 257/368

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

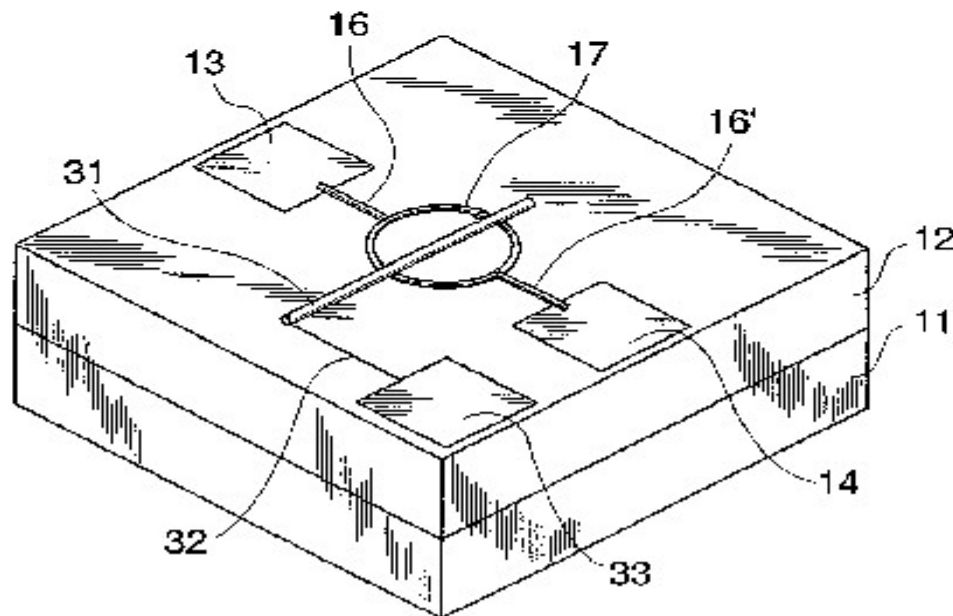
A transistor of nanometer size is provided, which is capable of high speed operation and operates at room temperature by using of the nanotubes for semiconductor devices. The transistor uses a carbon nanotube ring having semiconductor characteristics as a semiconductor material, or a carbon nanotube ring having conductivity or semiconductor characteristics as an electrode material.

(73) Assignee: **Fuji Xerox Co., Ltd.**, Minato-ku, (JP)

(21) Appl. No.: **09/923,448**

(22) Filed: **Aug. 8, 2001**

- Nano-transistor
- Material Replacement
- Carbon nanotube



Some Features in Nano-patents (2)

(54) 탄소나노튜브를 이용한 고용량의 바이오분자 검출센서

요약

본 발명은 기질 위에 복수의 탄소나노튜브를 배열하고, 표적 바이오분자와 결합하는 리셉터의 순전하(net charge)와 반대되는 극성의 전하를 탄소나노튜브에 인가하여, 한 종류 또는 여러 종류의 리셉터를 원하는 위치에 선택적으로 부착할 수 있는 나노 수준으로 고집적화된 나노어레이형(nanoarray-type) 바이오칩에 관한 것이다. 또한, 본 발명은 기질 위에 마이크로 또는 나노 크기의 멀티채널을 제작하고, 채널내의 특정위치에 하나 또는 둘 이상의 탄소나노튜브를 배열하고, 그 위에 표적 바이오분자와 결합하는 리셉터를 선택적으로 부착할 수 있는 멀티채널형(multichannel-type) 바이오칩에 관한 것이다.

본 발명에 따르면, 부착된 다양한 종류의 리셉터-오분자(target-biomolecules)들을 직접 검출하기 위한 진단을 보다 정확히 한번에 대량으로 할 수 있다.

도표도

도3

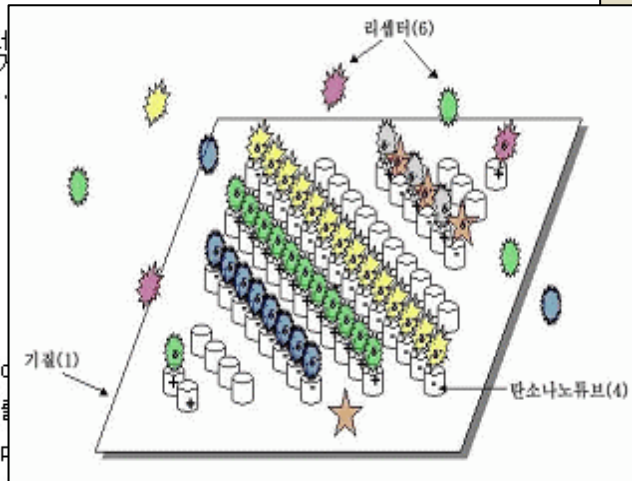
양세서

도면의 간단한 설명

도 1은 수직 탄소나노튜브(vertical carbon nanotube)를 배열한 구조를 나타내며,
 도 2는 다양한 형태의 모양을 갖는 탄소나노튜브를 배열한 구조를 나타내며,
 도 3은 본 발명의 나노어레이 타입(nanoarray type)의 바이오분자 검출센서의 개략적인 측면도이고,
 도 4는 본 발명의 멀티채널 타입(multichannel type)의 바이오분자 검출센서의 개략적인 측면도이고,
 도 5는 본 발명의 나노어레이 타입의 바이오분자 검출센서에서 리셉터-프로브(receptor-probe)들과 표적-단백질(target-protein)의 상호작용을 보여주는 개략도이고,
 도 6은 본 발명의 멀티채널 타입의 바이오분자 검출센서에서 리셉터-프로브(receptor-probe)들과 표적-단백질(target-protein)의 상호작용을 보여주는 개략도이다.

<도면의 주요부분에 대한 부호의 설명>

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|----------------|-----------|
| 1. 기질 | 2. 전도층 |
| 3. 절연층 | 4. 탄소나노튜브 |
| 5. 소혈청알부민(BSA) | 6. 리셉터 |
| 7. 표적단백질 | 8. 일반단백질 |
| 9. 광 또는 레이저 | 10. 유리 커버 |



- A high capacity of biomolecule detecting sensor using carbon nanotubes is provided, thereby rapidly detecting various kinds of target-biomolecules bound with receptors on a nanoarray-type biochip.

Nano-patent : What is being claimed

1. A nanocomposite comprising clay and an organic compound, in which the clay is a clay bridged with a metal compound.

2. A nanocomposite according to claim 1, in which the metal is iron and/or aluminum.

3. A nanocomposite according to claim 1, in which the clay of the nanocomposite is selected from montmorillonite, laponite, beidellite, nontronite, saponite, sauconite, hectorite, stevensite, kaolinite, halloysite, vermiculite, and sepiolite, or one of their synthetic or naturally interstratified mixtures.

4. A nanocomposite according to claim 1, in which the clay of the nanocomposite is laponite or montmorillonite.

(57) 청구의 범위

청구항 1. 발광하도록 유도될 수 있는 표지 화합물에 결합된 성분에 부착되는 나노튜브.

청구항 2. 제 1 항에 있어서, 나노튜브가 흑연질이고 발광이 전기화학발광인 나노튜브.

청구항 3. 제 1 항에 있어서, 성분이 효소 바이오센서인 흑연 나노튜브.

청구항 4. (i) 작용그룹을 함유하는 흑연 나노튜브, 및

(ii) 작용그룹에 결합되어 있고, 해당 분석물에 결합할 수 있는 분석-수행 물질을 포함하는, 샘플에 존재하는 해당 분석물 검출용 조성물.

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청구항 6. 제 5 항에 있어서, 분석물에 결합되어 있고, 발광하도록 유도될 수 있는 표지 화합물에 결합되는 제 2 분석-수행-물질을 추가로 포함하는 조성물.

Nanocomposite


Nanotube



Types of Patent Claims

1. Product claim (e.g., Polymer nanocomposites)
 2. Process claim (e.g., Method of making a nanocomposites)
 3. Method of using claims (e.g., Method of using nanocomposites to improve flameproof)
- Nanotechnology products have diverse end uses, so different inventors may be implicated on different use claims.
 - ✓ Claim diversity adds strength to patent !!!

Patent Citations

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United States Patent [19] Michalczyk et al.	[11] Patent Number: 5,726,247 [45] Date of Patent: Mar. 10, 1998
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- Every highly cited patent is important
- Quality Index – Citation Analysis

What is a Well-being Patent?

- Frontier / Pioneering Patent ?
- Core Patent / Key Patent / Milestone Patent ?
 - ✓ Strong Protection Strategy
 - ✓ Having key nanotech claims
- Well-being Nano-patent
 - ✓ well-designed, well-analyzed, well-claimed, well-protected, etc
- Patent Analysis : Quantity & Quality aspects
 - ✓ Patent citation analysis, etc.

I think that well-being (nano) patent is not something special. It is very important for us to catch up developed countries in nanotechnology fields by using well-being patents.

Summary(1)

- Nano-patents in the exponential phase – moving into application development and the second wave.
- Pro-Patent Policy on R&D in Nanotechnology
- Well-informed and Global policies in patent system will be needed to prepare to meet these new challenges.
- Patent information is very important in R&D and Commercialization in Nanotechnology.

Summary(2)

- International Patent Strategies
 - ✓ Core technology or patent
 - ✓ Strong protection, Claims
- Improving the quality of patents issued
 - ✓ Patent Citation Analysis
- Well-being nano-patent
- From Patent to Profit
 - ✓ Commercialization
 - ✓ Patents become valuable when they cover commercial products.

No nanotechnology without patenting



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