

# TENTATIVE LECTURE SCHEDULE

	Date	Topic
1.	Mon 13.09.	Course Introduction & Short Review of the Elements
2.	Wed 15.09.	Periodic Properties & Periodic Table & Main Group Elements (starts)
3.	Fri 17.09.	Short Survey of the Chemistry of Main Group Elements (continues)
4.	Mon 20.09.	Zn + Ti, Zr, Hf & Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD)
5.	Wed 22.09.	Transition Metals: General Aspects & Pigments
6.	Mon 27.09.	Ag, Au, Pt, Pd & Catalysis (Antti Karttunen)
7.	Wed 29.09.	Redox Chemistry
8.	Mon 04.10.	Crystal Field Theory
9.	Wed 06.10.	V, Nb, Ta & Metal Complexes & MOFs
10.	Fri 08.10.	Cr, Mo, W & 2D materials
11.	Mon 11.10.	Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu & Magnetism & Superconductivity
12.	Wed 13.10.	EXTRA
13.	Fri 15.10.	Resources of Elements & Rare/Critical Elements & Element Substitutions
14.	Mon 18.10.	Lanthanoids + Actinoids & Luminescence (Down/Upconversion)
15.	Wed 20.10.	Inorganic Materials Chemistry Research

**EXAM: Thu Oct. 28, 2021**

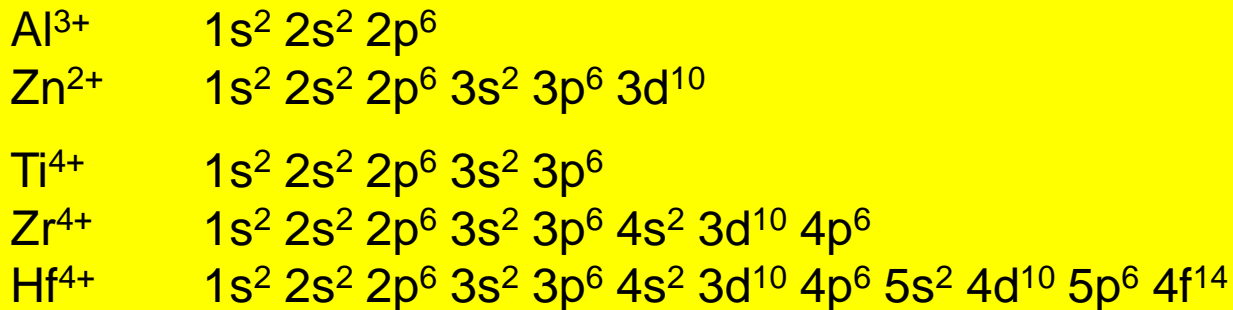
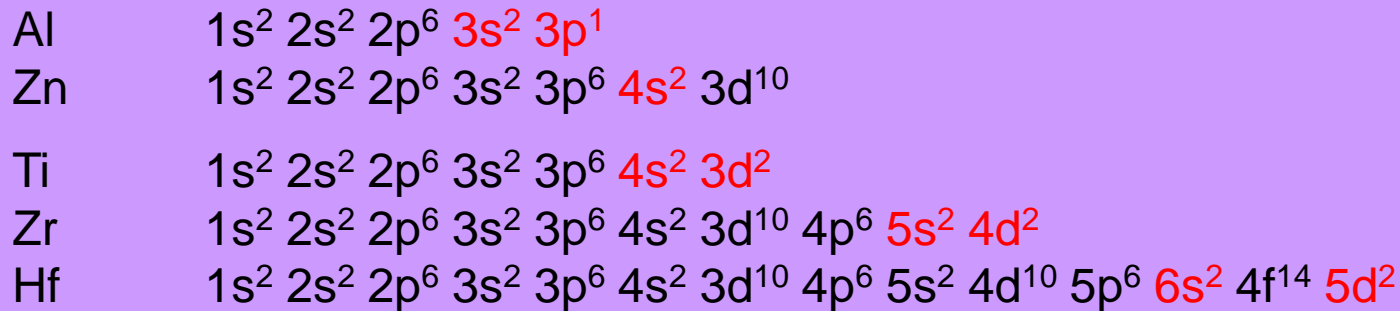
## **PRESENTATION TOPICS/SCHEDULE**

<b>Wed</b>	<b>06.10.</b>	<b>Nb:</b>	
<b>Fri</b>	<b>08.10.</b>	<b>Mo:</b>	<b>Ahmed, Shamshad</b>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>11.10.</b>	<b>Mn:</b>	<b>Majaniemi, Thakur</b>
		<b>Ru:</b>	
<b>Wed</b>	<b>13.10.</b>	<b>Co:</b>	<b>Ekholm, Olander, Syväniemi</b>
		<b>Cu:</b>	<b>Kolawole, Nguyen, Munib</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>15.10.</b>	<b>In:</b>	<b>Kovanen, Ogunyemi</b>
		<b>Te:</b>	<b>Huhtakangas, Wallin, Kaarne</b>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>18.10.</b>	<b>Eu:</b>	<b>Sonphasit, Ichanson, Tuisku</b>
		<b>Nd:</b>	<b>Jussila, Siuro, Perttu</b>
		<b>U:</b>	<b>Sinkkonen, Wennberg, Partanen</b>

## QUESTIONS: Lecture 4

1. Hf is mostly found in nature in trace amounts in Zr minerals. Why it is so easy for Hf to replace some of the Zr in these minerals?
2. Among the following four elements, Zn, Ti, Zr, and Hf, only one forms compounds at +III oxidation state. Just by looking at the Periodic Table, predict which element this is. Most importantly, explain why you predicted so.
3. ZnO is a wide bandgap semiconductor and promising material for many (opto)electrical applications.
  - (a) To enhance its n-type electrical conductivity through chemical substitution (= doping), which element has been used as a substituent?
  - (b) Nobody has so far been able to realize p-type conducting ZnO, even though this would be useful for some applications. If you would like to challenge this goal, which element you would select for the substituent? Explain why?
4. Which element is commonly used as a substituent to create oxygen vacancies in  $\text{ZrO}_2$ ? Why?
5. Why in ALD technique:
  - (a) Film thickness control is straightforward?
  - (b) Conformal coating is readily achieved?

Group→	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
↓Period	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	1 H																	2 He
2	3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
3	11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
4	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
5	37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
6	55 Cs	56 Ba	*	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
7	87 Fr	88 Ra	**	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 Cn	113 Uut	114 Fl	115 Uup	116 Lv	117 Uus	118 Uuo
*	57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu			
**	89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr			



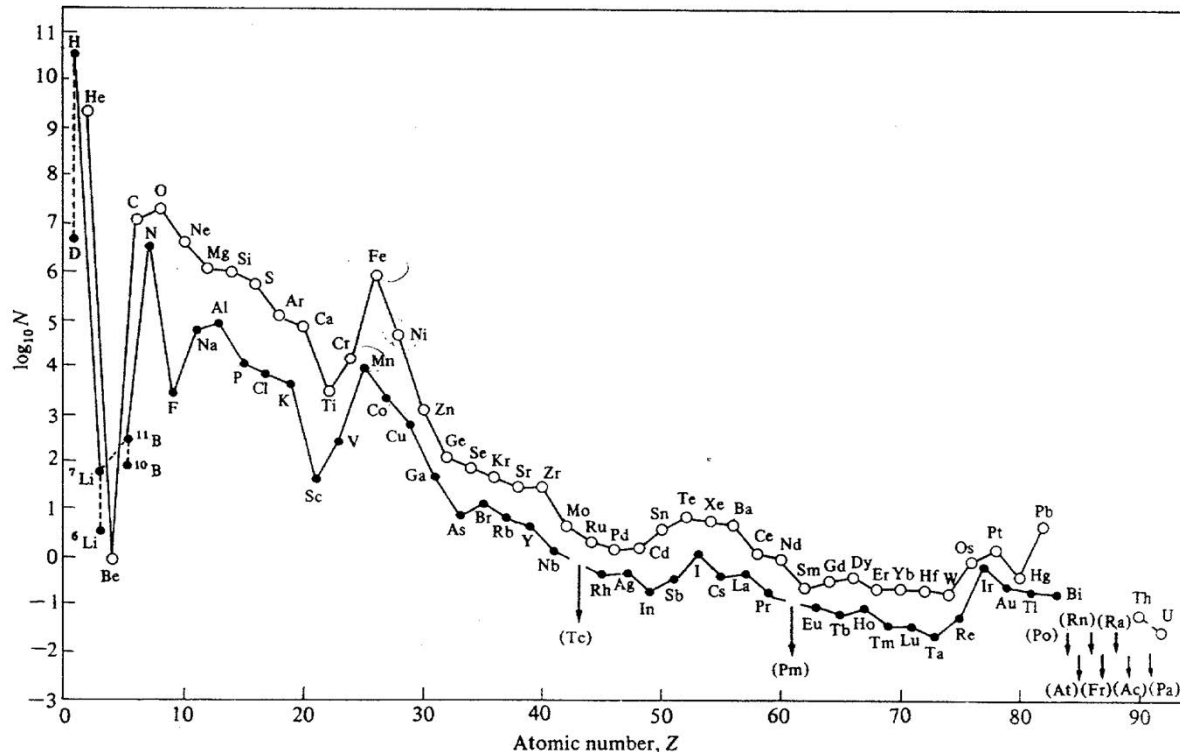
# IONIC RADII (in Å)

		Ti	Zr	Hf	Zn	Al
<b>+2</b>	<b>CN-4</b>	-	-	-	<b>0.60</b>	-
	<b>CN-5</b>	-	-	-	<b>0.68</b>	-
	<b>CN-6</b>	<b>0.86</b>	-	-	<b>0.74</b>	-
	<b>CN-8</b>	-	-	-	<b>0.90</b>	-
<b>+3</b>	<b>CN-4</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>0.39</b>
	<b>CN-5</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>0.48</b>
	<b>CN-6</b>	<b>0.67</b>	-	-	-	<b>0.54</b>
<b>+4</b>	<b>CN-4</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>0.73</b>	<b>0.72</b>	-	-
	<b>CN-5</b>	<b>0.51</b>	-	-	-	-
	<b>CN-6</b>	<b>0.61</b>	<b>0.86</b>	<b>0.85</b>	-	-
	<b>CN-8</b>	<b>0.74</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>0.97</b>	-	-

<http://abulafia.mt.ic.ac.uk/shannon/ptable.php>

# OCCURRENCE of the METALS: Zn, Ti, Zr, Hf

- **Zn** ( $d^{10}$ , not transition metal) is the fourth most common metal in use (after Fe, Al and Cu) with an annual production of ca. 13 million tonns
- Among the transition metals, most common are: Fe, **Ti**, Mn, Cr, ...
- **Ti**: widely distributed, many minerals, most common rutile and ilmenite
- **Zr** is found in more than 40 minerals
- **Hf** much more rare, no own minerals, in Zr minerals:  $Hf/Zr \approx 2\%$



## **TITANIUM: Use as a metal / in metal alloys**

- **Corrosion resistance**: pulp and marine industry, chemical processing, and energy production and storage application
- **High specific strength** (strength/weight ratio): automotive industry, aerospace applications, sports equipment, jewelry, eyeglass frames
- **Inertness in human body**: surgery/artificial implants
- **DISADVANTAGE**: cost (Ti 6 times more expensive than Al)

# PRODUCTION OF TITANIUM

- **Oxide minerals:** rutile ( $\text{TiO}_2$ ) or ilmenite ( $\text{FeO-TiO}_2$ ; 97-98 %  $\text{TiO}_2$ )
- Oxides are transformed to  $\text{TiCl}_4$  which is a **liquid** and can be distilled for purification, e.g. by chloride process:
  - $\text{TiO}_2 + 2\text{Cl}_2 + 2\text{C} (800^\circ\text{C}) \rightarrow \text{TiCl}_4 + 2\text{CO}$
  - $2\text{TiFeO}_3 + 7\text{Cl}_2 + 6\text{C} (900^\circ\text{C}) \rightarrow 2\text{TiCl}_4 + 2\text{FeCl}_3 + 6\text{CO}$
- $\text{TiCl}_4$  is reduced in argon with molten Mg (**Kroll process**)
  - $\text{TiCl}_4 + 2\text{Mg} (1100^\circ\text{C}) \rightarrow \text{Ti} + 2\text{MgCl}_2$
- $\text{MgCl}_2$  is reduced back to Mg such that it can be **recycled**
- Product: **Titanium sponge** (porous)



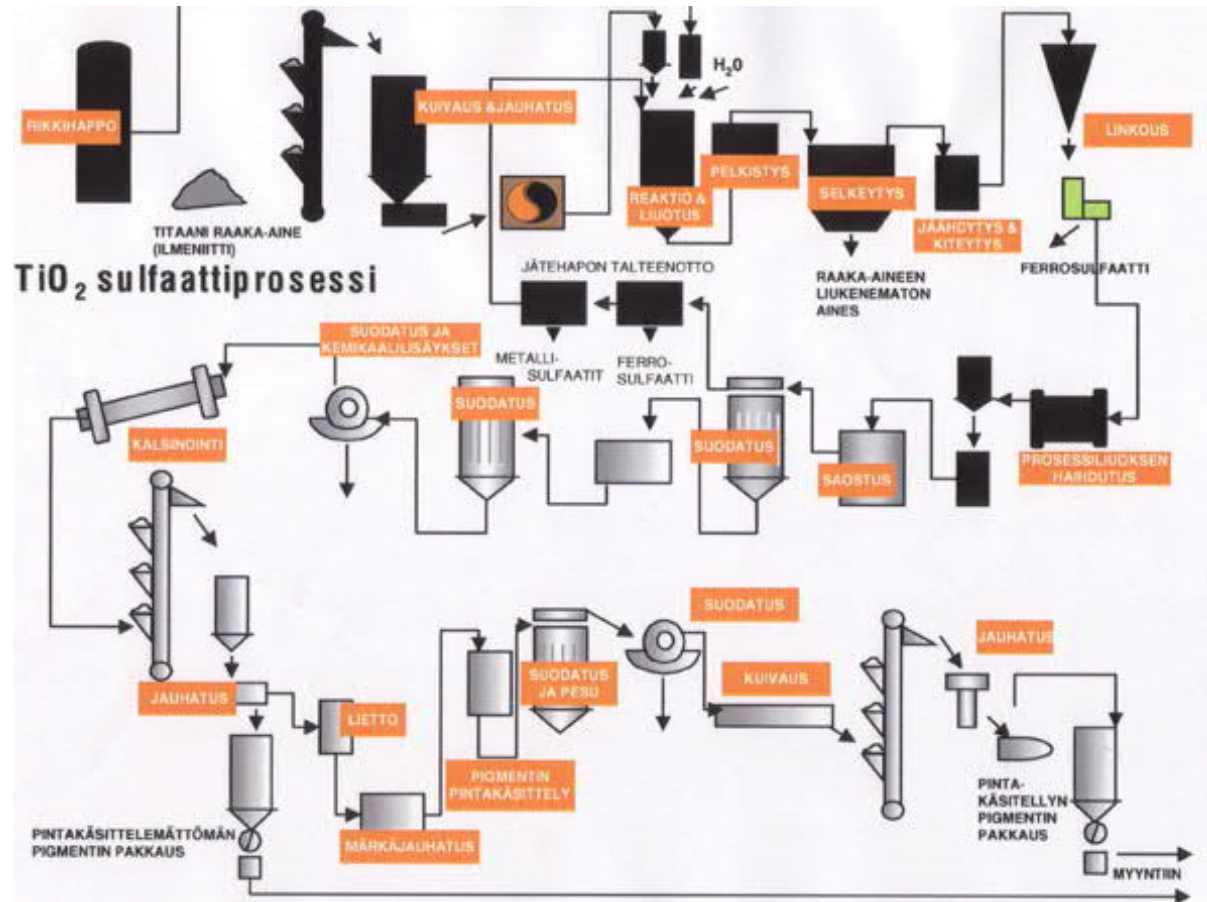
# TiO<sub>2</sub>:n valmistus

## Sulfaattiprosessi: Pori

Raaka-aine (ilmeniitti) liuotetaan rikkihappoon ja syntyvästä liuoksesta titaani saostetaan titaanihydraattina. Hydraatti pestään, kalsinoidaan ja pintakäsittelään. Prosessi kestää 2 viikkoa.

## Kloridiprosessi:

Raaka-aine (rutiili) kloorataan, jolloin muodostuu titaanitetrafluoridiksi. Tetrafluoridi hapetetaan (hapella) kaasufaasissa titaanidioksidiksi ja pintakäsittelään kuten sulfaattiprosessissakin. Kloridiprosessilla valmistetaan vain rutiilirakenteen omaavaa titaanidioksidia.

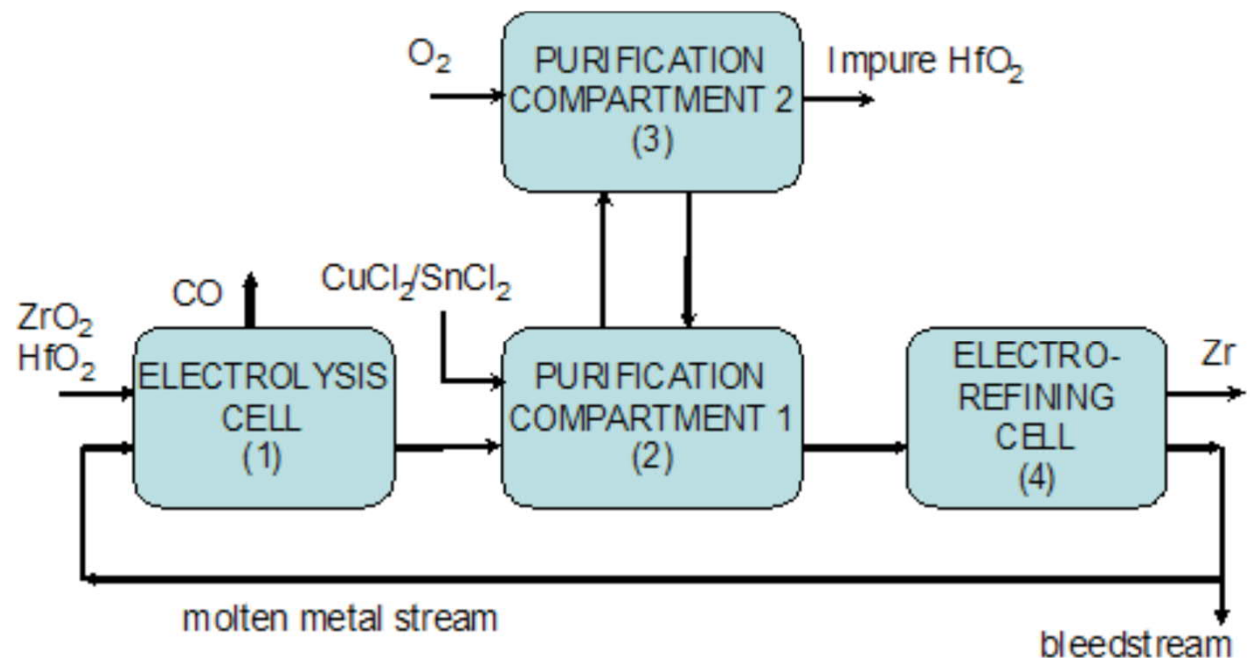


## Zr & Hf

- Exactly the same size (due to shielding effect/lanthanide contraction)
- Of all the 4d-5d transition metal pairs, Zr and Hf are the most similar
- Separation of Hf from Zr very difficult
- Hf was discovered as late as 1922 (Zr more than 100 years earlier)
- Hf was the first element which was searched for and found based on the quantum theory (lat. *Hafnia* = Copenhagen)
- Differences:
  - density (atomic weight ratio Zr:Hf = 1.0:2.0)
  - neutron absorption (Hf 600-times stronger):  
different (opposite) uses in nuclear power plants

# SEPARATION of Zr and Hf

- **Zr:** very low neutron absorption → used to make containers for nuclear fuel
- **Hf:** very high neutron absorption → used in control rods
- For the use of Zr in nuclear fuel containers it is crucial to ensure that the Zr metal used has extremely low Hf content
- Several techniques for the separation developed, below shown is a new advanced technique developed at University of Ghent

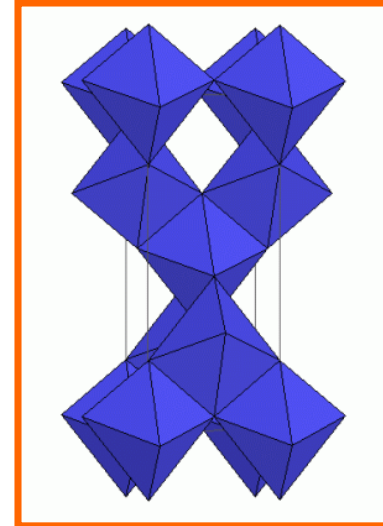
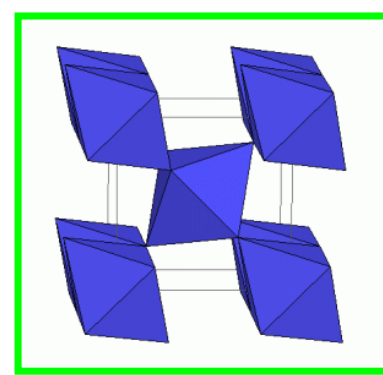


# Role of Zinc in the structure and function of proteins

- Required for essential catalytic functions in enzymes
- Stabilizes the folding of protein subdomains
- Why Zinc ?
  - **widely available** in environment
  - **fixed oxidation state** (+II): completely resistant to redox changes and thus not affected by redox potentials in the organisms
  - prefers **tetrahedral coordination** (unlike many other metals): tetrahedral coordination of the metal site seems to be a key feature in most zinc enzymes
  - $d^{10}$  and thus **no crystal field effect**: environment around  $Zn^{2+}$  is flexible to allow for the precise adjustment to the surroundings without an energy penalty

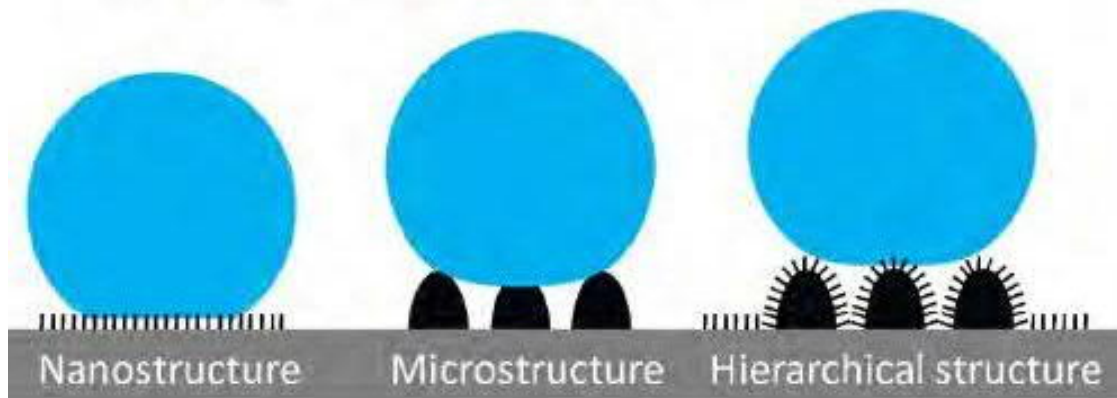
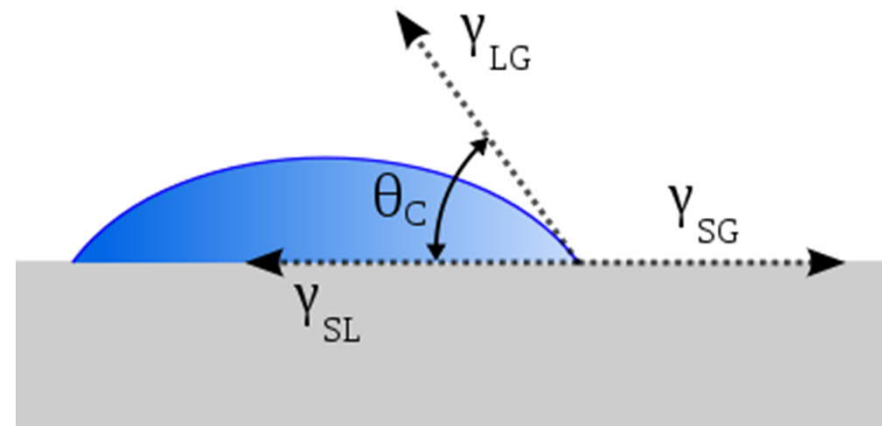
# TiO<sub>2</sub> (important chemical produced worldwide)

- **Crystal structures:** - **rutile**, **anatase**, brookite
- **White pigment:** - large refractive index  
- used in paints, paper, plastics, cosmetics, foods, tooth pastes, ...
- **UV protection:** - sunscreens, plastics
- **Inert:** - filler material in pharmaceuticals
- **Photocatalytic:** - Akira Fujishima 1970s  
- water splitting
- **Antibacterial:** - decomposition of organics with UV light  
- 3-times stronger compared to chlorine,  
1.5-times stronger compared to ozone
- **Superhydrophilic:** - Akira Fujishima 1996  
- after UV radiation  
- water spreads (no droplets) on TiO<sub>2</sub>  
- e.g. sauna mirrors



# SUPERHYDROPHOBICITY

- ❖ Water forms perfect droplets on surface  
→ surface extremely difficult to wet  
→ Lotus effect
- ❖ Contact angle ( $\theta_C$ ):  
angle for liquid droplet at three-phase  
(liquid-gas-solid) boundary
- ❖ SUPERHYDROPHOBICITY:  
contact angle  $> 150^\circ$

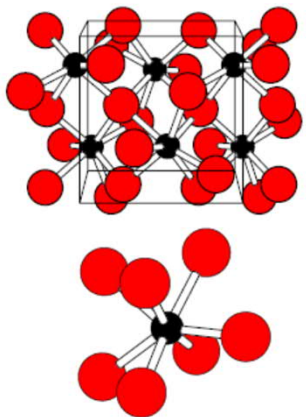


# ZrO<sub>2</sub>

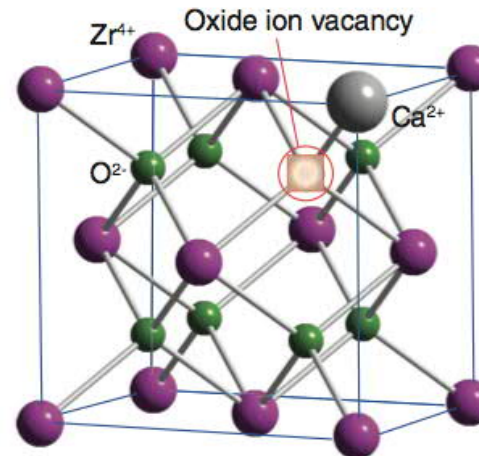
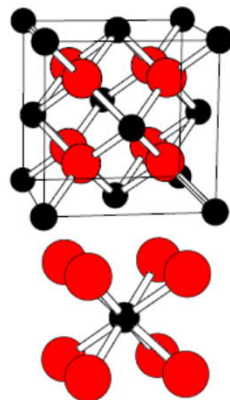
- Used as industrial ceramics, protective coating (e.g. on TiO<sub>2</sub> pigment particles) and refractory material in e.g. insulation
- 7-coordinated (monoclinic) structure at RT & 8-coordinated cubic structure at high temperatures
- Y<sup>III</sup>-for-Zr<sup>IV</sup> substitution stabilizes the cubic ZrO<sub>2</sub> structure synthesized in various colours (gemstone & diamond simulant)
- Yttrium-stabilized zirconia (YSZ) for oxygen sensors and fuel cells owing to its low electronic conductivity but high oxide ion conductivity (Y<sup>3+</sup> → Zr<sup>4+</sup> → oxygen vacancies)



Room Temperature  
Monoclinic (P2<sub>1</sub>/c)  
7 coordinate Zr  
4 coord. + 3 coord. O<sup>2-</sup>

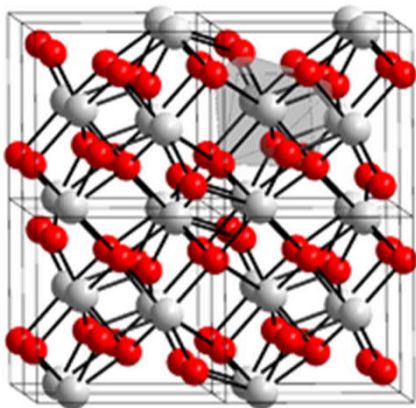


High Temperature  
Cubic (Fm3m)  
cubic coordination for Zr  
tetrahedral coord. for O<sup>2-</sup>



# HfO<sub>2</sub>

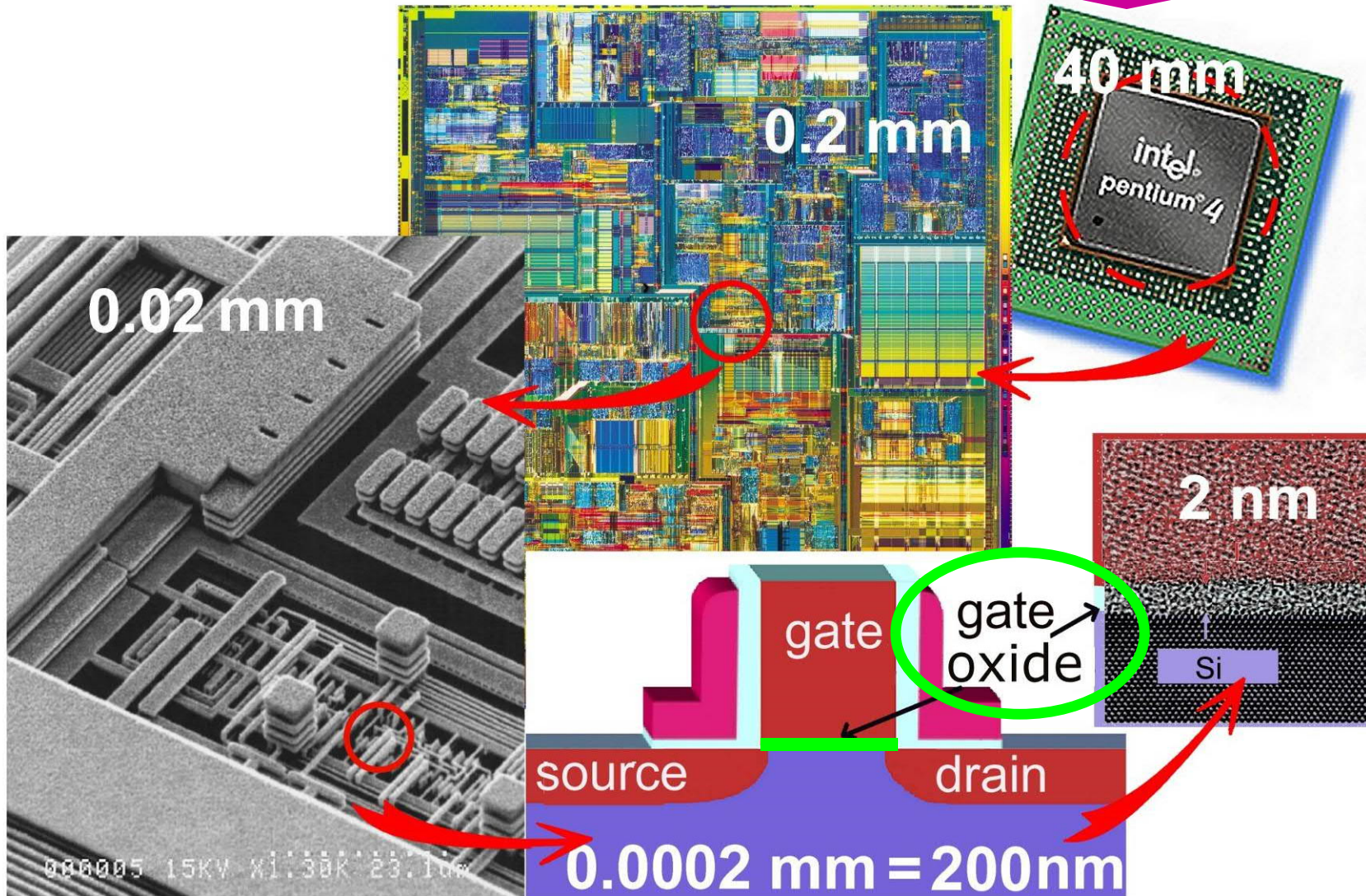
- Similar (7-coordination) crystal structure to that of ZrO<sub>2</sub>
- Very high melting point → refractory material for insulation (e.g. in thermocouples)  
→ operates up to 2500 °C
- Multilayered HfO<sub>2</sub> coatings reflect sunlight & block heat conduction  
→ passive cooling of buildings  
→ several degrees cooler than surrounding materials
- **HfO<sub>2</sub> high-κ dielectrics** → dielectric constant 5 times higher compared to SiO<sub>2</sub>  
→ high-κ material in DRAM (dynamic random access memory) and CMOS (complementary metal-oxide semiconductor) microelectronics devices
- Intel 2007 → replacement of SiO<sub>2</sub> as gate insulator in FETs (field-effect transistor)  
→ deposition of high-quality amorphous films using ALD
- Partial substitution of Hf by Si (or Al) increases the crystallization temperature





# CMOS transistor

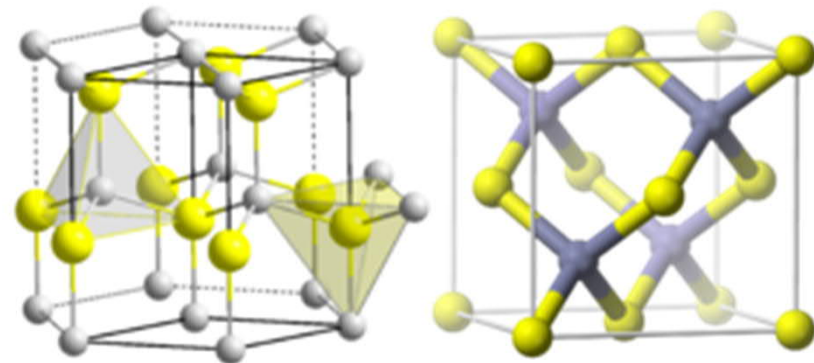
smaller transistors → lower gate voltage  
same electric fields → thinner dielectric  
 $\text{SiO}_2 \rightarrow$  **HIGH- $k$  DIELECTRICS**



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# ZnO

- 4-coordination in hexagonal wurtzite or cubic zinc blende (diamond like) structure
- Additive in various applications: rubbers, plastics, ceramics, glass, cement, lubricants, paints, ointments, adhesives, sealants, pigments, foods, batteries, ferrites, fire retardants, first-aid tapes, etc.
- Wide-bandgap II-VI semiconductor
- Native doping due to excess zinc/oxygen vacancies/hydrogen → n-type doping
- Al<sup>3+</sup>-for-Zn<sup>2+</sup> doping for enhanced n-type doping
- Problem: p-type doping has not been achieved
- Attractive properties for optoelectronics: wide bandgap, tunable electrical properties, high transparency, high electron mobility → transparent electrodes, liquid crystal displays, energy-saving windows, electronics as thin-film transistors and light-emitting diodes



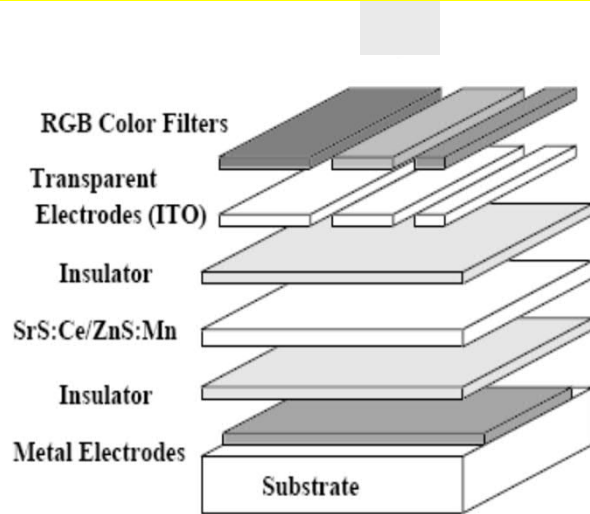
# **OXIDES ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , $\text{ZnO}$ , $\text{TiO}_2$ , $\text{ZrO}_2$ & $\text{HfO}_2$ ) & ALD (atomic layer deposition) thin-film technology**

## **EXAMPLES of APPLICATIONS**

- ALD- $\text{HfO}_2$  (amorphous): high-k dielectrics
- ALD- $\text{ZrO}_2$  (amorphous): barrier coating
- ALD- $\text{TiO}_2$  (crystalline): photovoltaics
- ALD- $\text{ZnO}$  (crystalline): thermoelectric material
- ALD- $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  (amorphous): barrier and protective coating

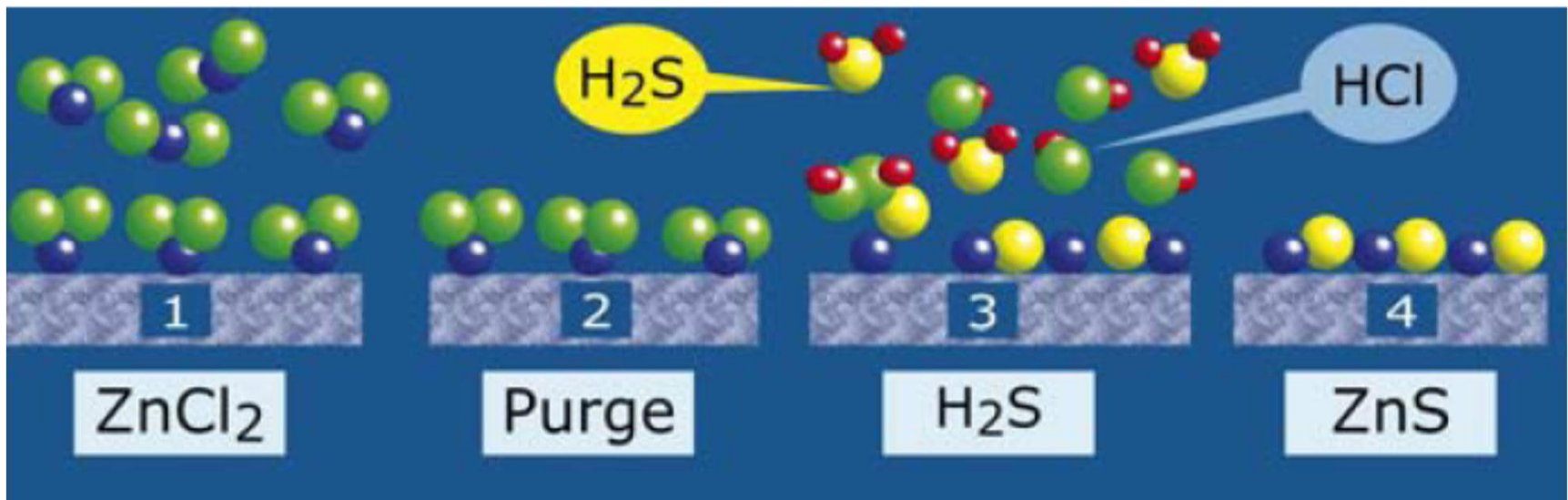
# Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD) Thin-Film Technique

- Gaseous precursors & Self-limiting surface reactions
- Precisely thickness-controlled, Large-area homogeneous & Conformal thin films



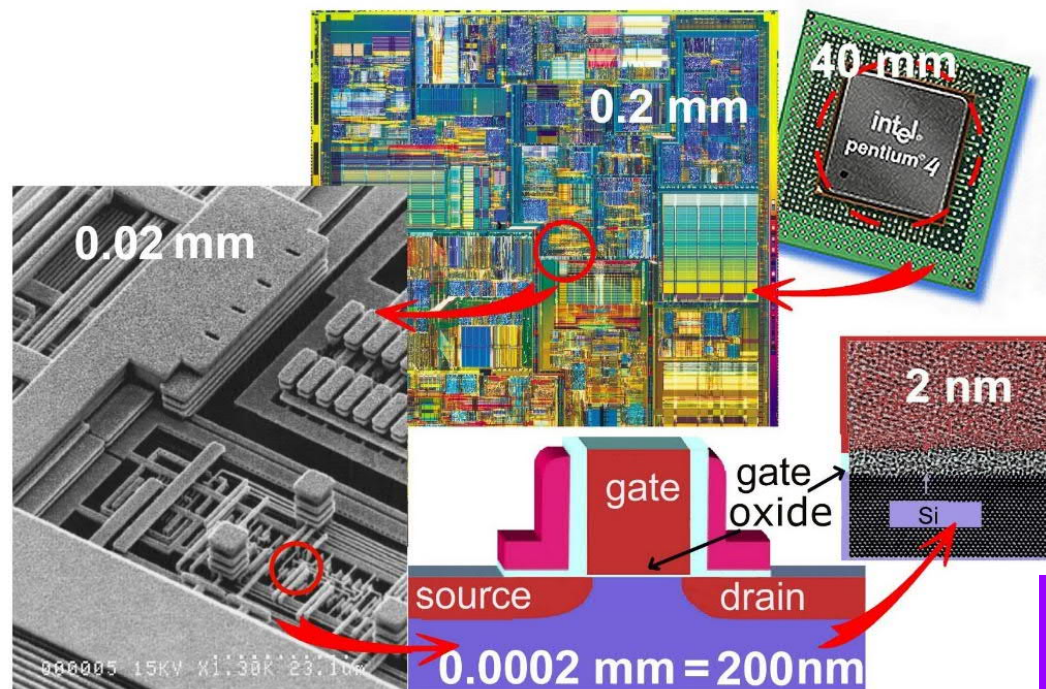
Electroluminescent display

Instrumentarium/Finlux/Planar





# Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD) Technology

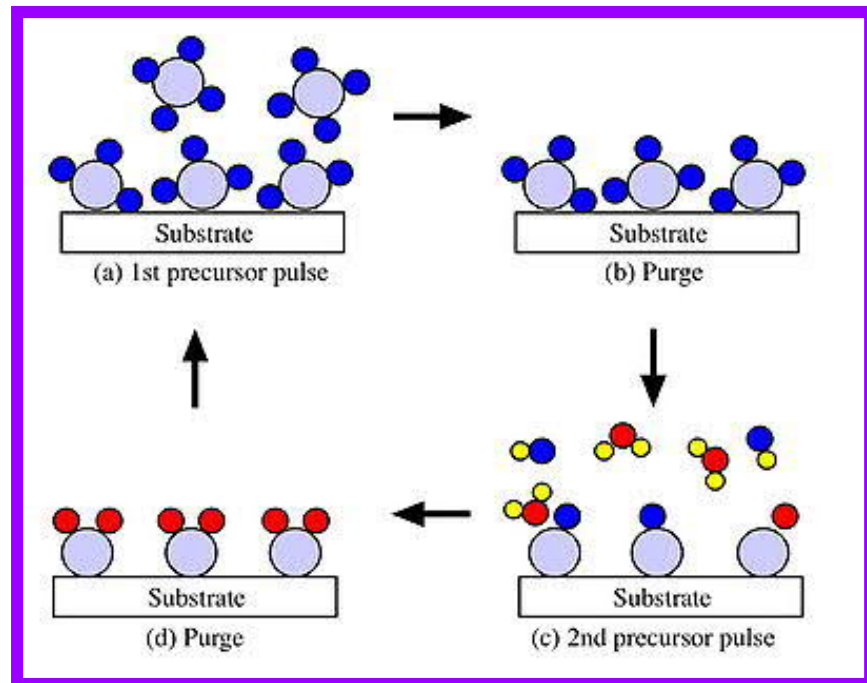


- High-quality (pinhole-free)
- Thickness control (atomic level)
- Large-area homogeneity
- Conformity → Nanostructuring

ALD:  $\text{HfCl}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

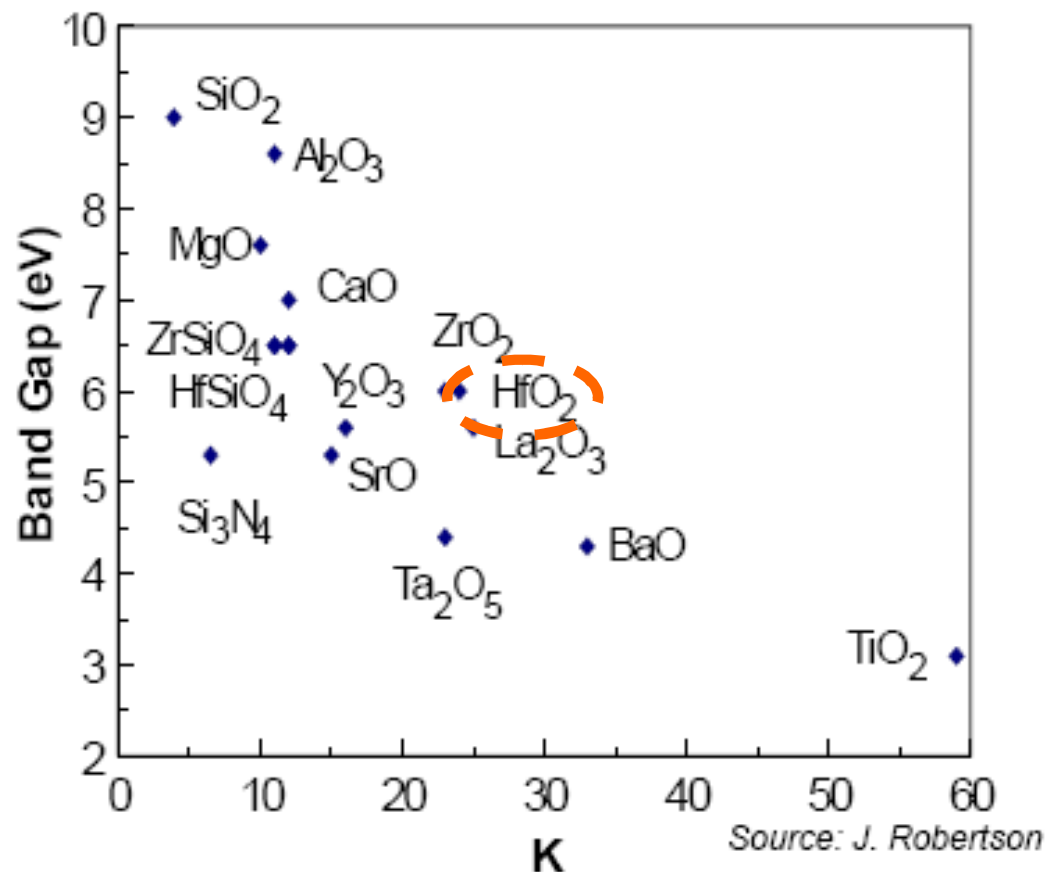
## CMOS transistor

- 2-nm amorphous  $\text{HfO}_2$  gate-oxide layer deposited by ALD

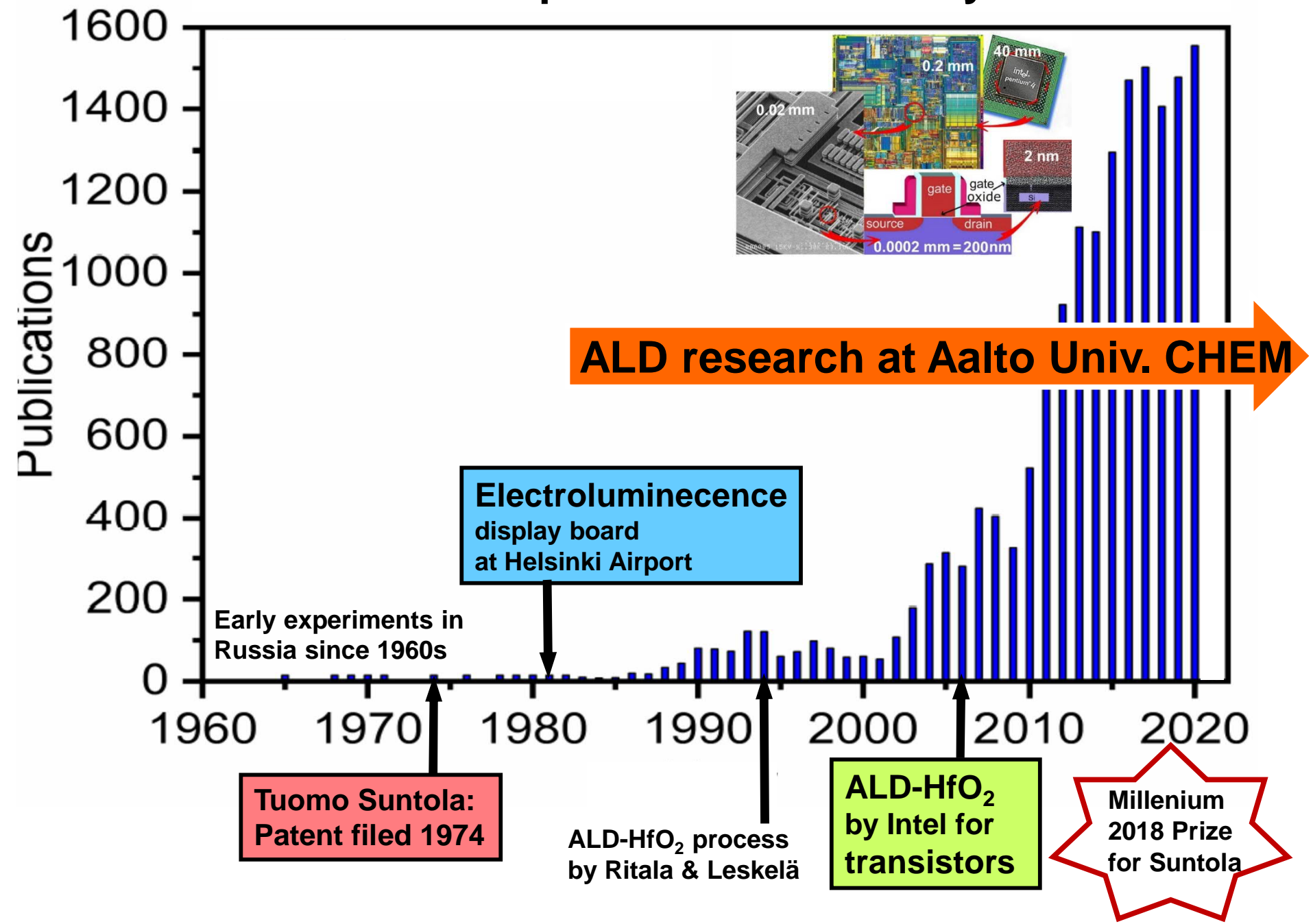


## Conditions for high- $k$ dielectrics

- High enough **dielectric constant  $k$**
- Wide **band gap** for low leakage
- **Stable** – no reaction with Si
- **Good interface, low impurities**

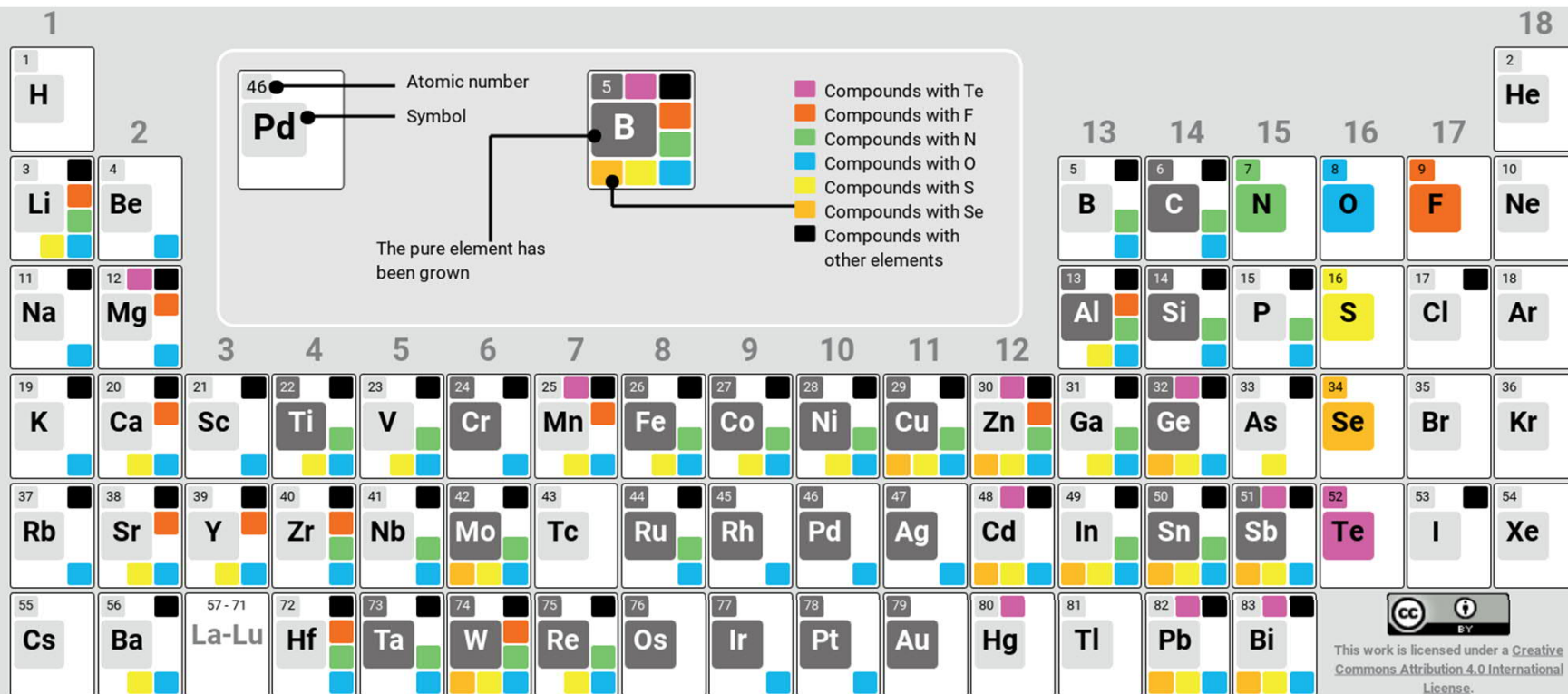


# ALD publications annually

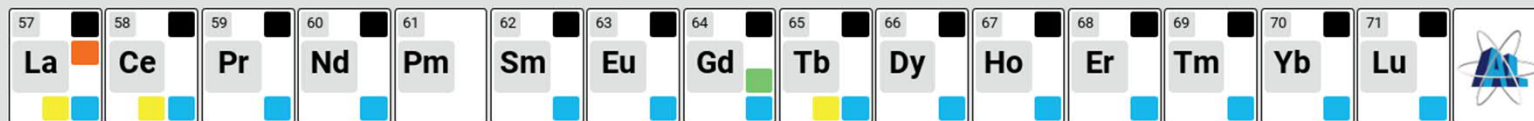




# Periodic Table of ALD Processes

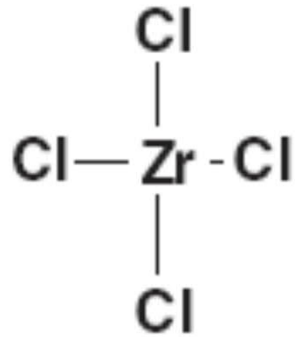


Lanthanoids

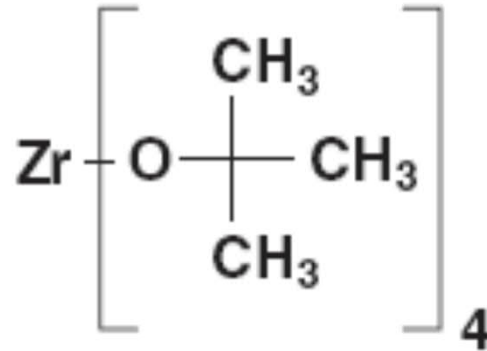


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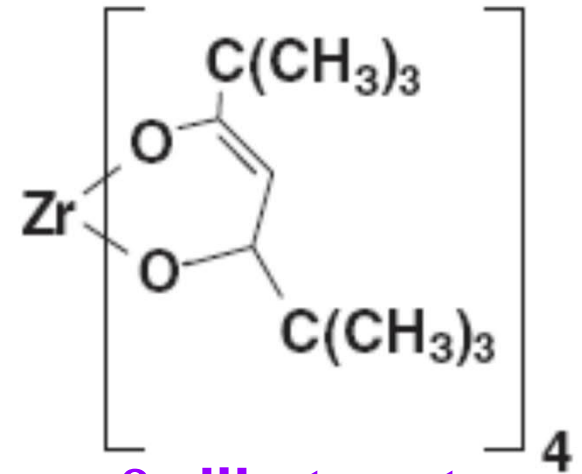
# COMMON PRECURSORS in ALD



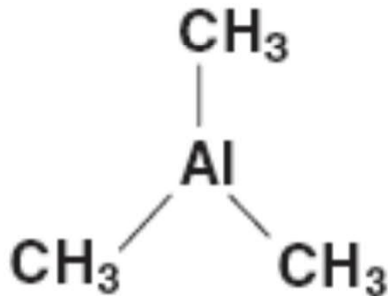
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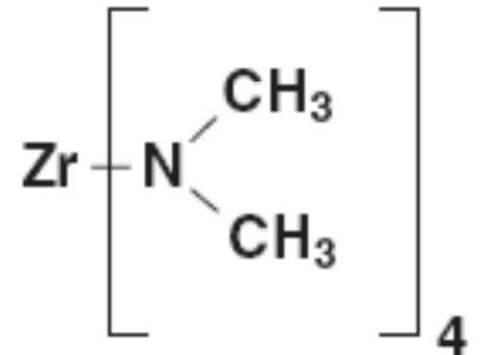
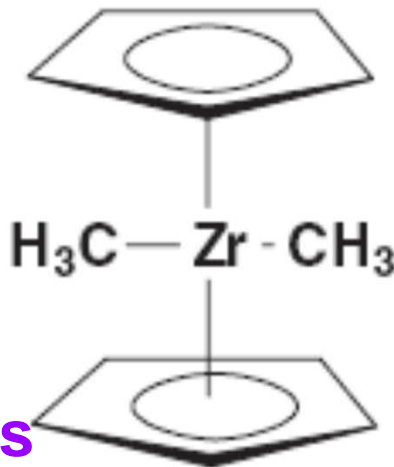
alkoxides



$\beta$ -diketonates



organometallics



amido complexes

e.g. cyclopentadienyls

Most Common **ALD METALS**: Al, Zn, Ti, Hf

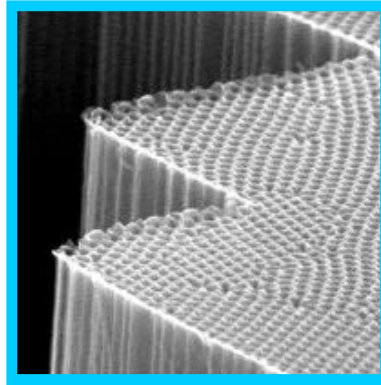
Common **CO-REACTANTS** (second precursor):

- Water  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (e.g. with  $\text{TiCl}_4$ ,  $\text{Al}(\text{CH}_3)_3$  or  $\text{Zn}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_2$ ) → **Oxides**
- Ozone  $\text{O}_3$  (e.g. with metal  $\beta$ -diketonates) → **Oxides**
- Dihydrogensulfide  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  (e.g. with  $\text{ZnCl}_2$ ) → **Sulfides**
- Ammonia  $\text{NH}_3$  → **Nitrides**

# Advantages of ALD

- Relatively inexpensive method
- Excellent repeatability
- Dense and pinhole-free films
- Accurate and simple thickness control
- Large area uniformity

- Excellent conformality



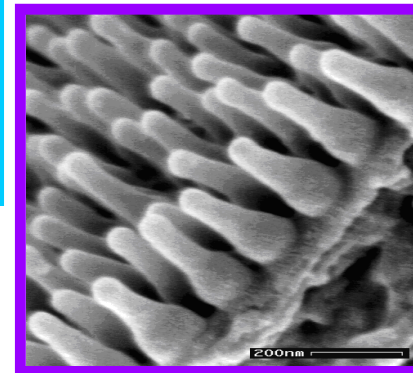
- Low deposition temperature
- Gentle deposition process

- Organic/polymer films
- Inorganic/organic hybrid materials

ELECTRONICS

NANO

BIO



NEW

**Kalevala Koru  
(Finland):**

**- traditional  
silver  
jewelry**



**Beneq (Finland):  
- Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coating by ALD**



**uncoated**



**Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-coated**



**BEFORE**



**AFTER TARNISHING TEST**

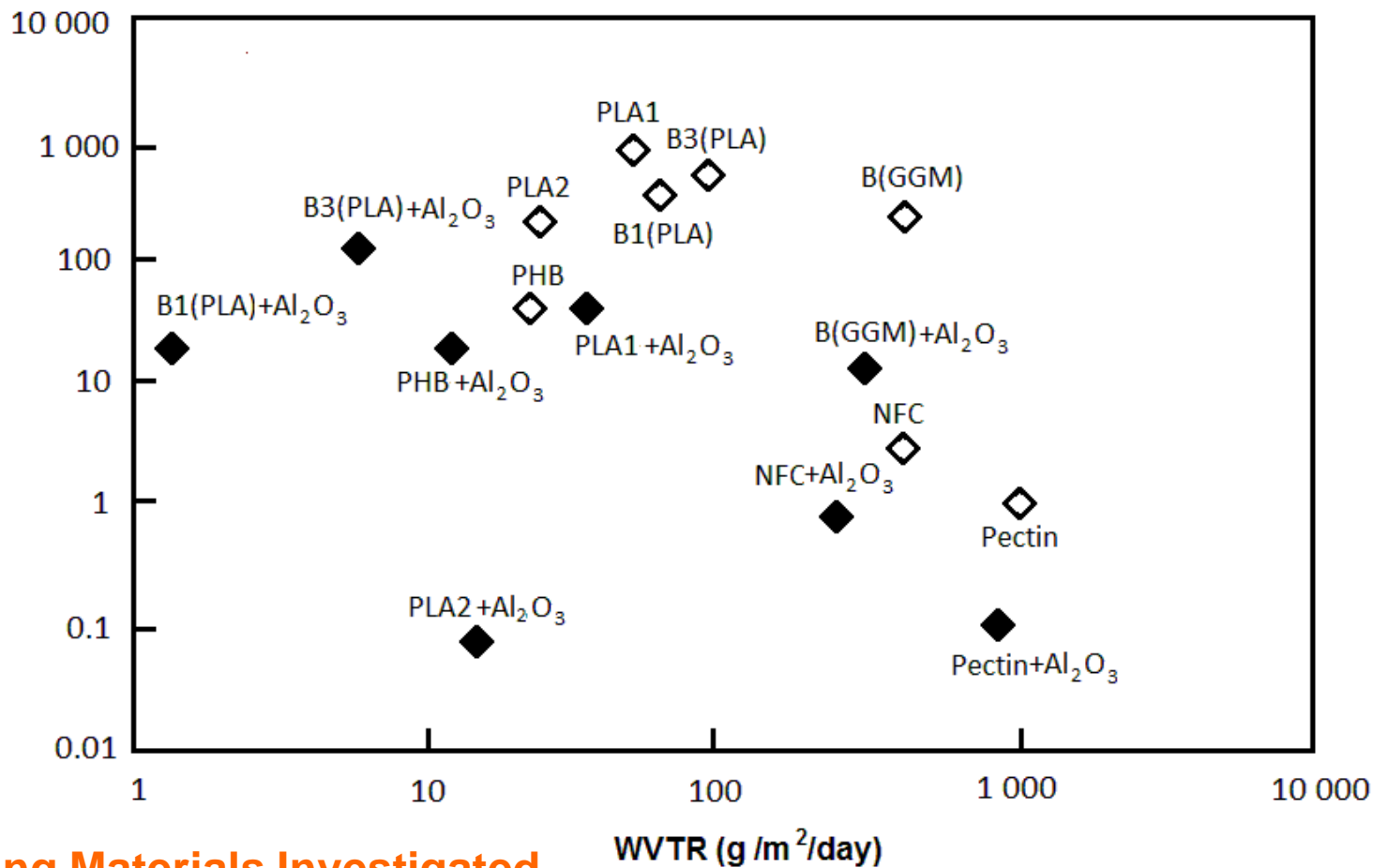


**Dense, pinhole-free  
& highly **conformal**  
ALD-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-nanocoating  
efficiently protects  
silver jewelries  
from tarnishing**

# RECYCLABLE BIO-BASED PACKAGING MATERIALS

*Problem:  
Bad  
gas-  
barriers*

OTR ( $\text{cm}^3/\text{m}^2/10^5 \text{ Pa/day}$ )



## Bio-based Packaging Materials Investigated

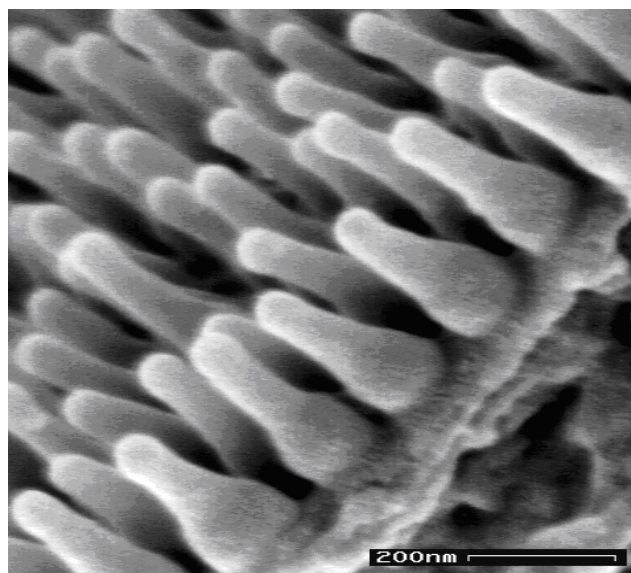
<b>B(PLA)</b>	<b>Poly lactide-coated board</b>
<b>PLA</b>	<b>Poly lactide film</b>
<b>NFC</b>	<b>Nano-fibrillated cellulose film</b>
<b>B(GGM)</b>	<b>Galactoclugomannan-coated board</b>
<b>PHB</b>	<b>Polyhydroxy butyrate film</b>
<b>Pectin</b>	<b>Pectin film made by solution casting</b>

## O<sub>2</sub>- and H<sub>2</sub>O-vapour transmission

◇ **Biopolymer**

◆ **Biopolymer + 25 nm ALD-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>**

T. Hirvikorpi, M. Vähä-Nissi, J. Nikkola, A. Harlin & M. Karppinen, *Surf. Coat. Technol.* 205, 5088 (2011).



## CICADA WING

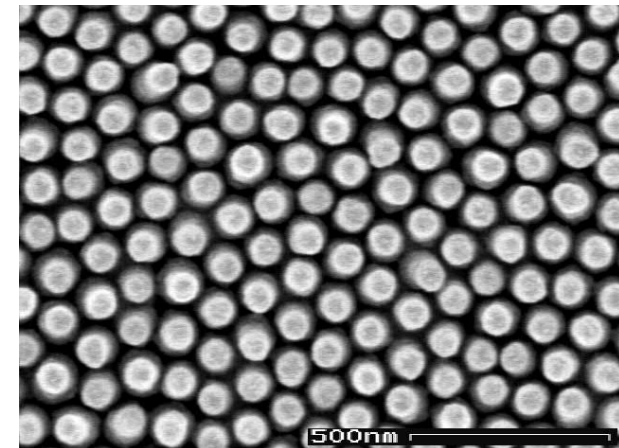
- Peculiar surface-nanostructure  
200-nm high nanopillars coated with a waxy layer
- **super**hydrophobic

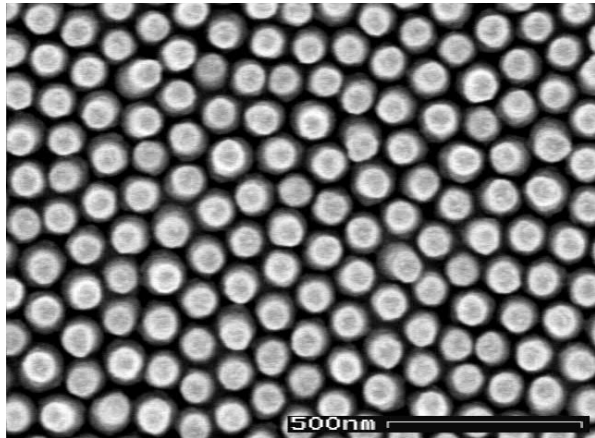
## ZnO

- **Reversible change** from hydrophobic to hydrophilic upon UV-radiation

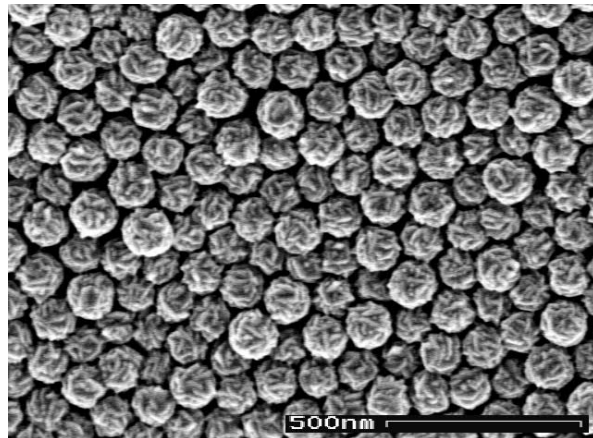
## CICADA WING + ZnO

- Conformal coating of the **wing** by a thin layer of **ZnO** (~20 nm) by means of **ALD**
- **Reversible change** from **super**hydrophobic to **super**hydrophilic upon UV-radiation

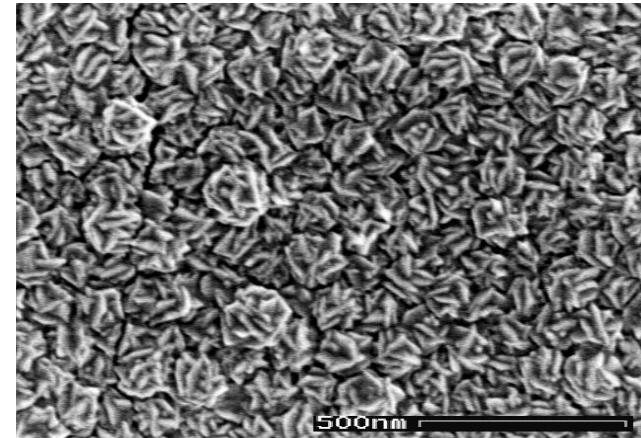




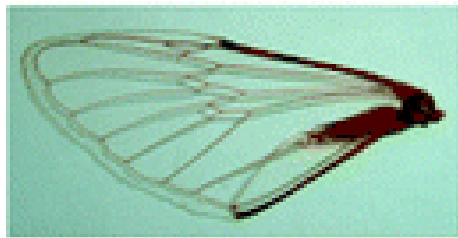
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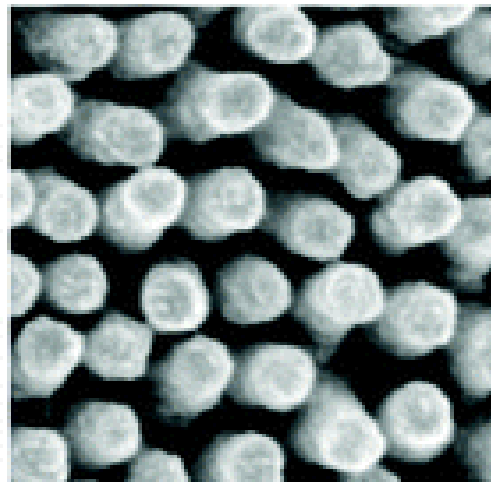
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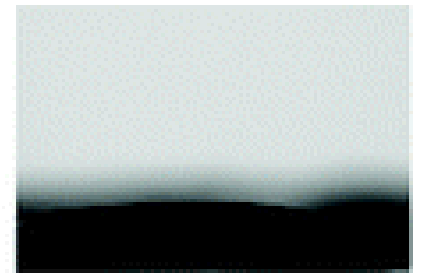
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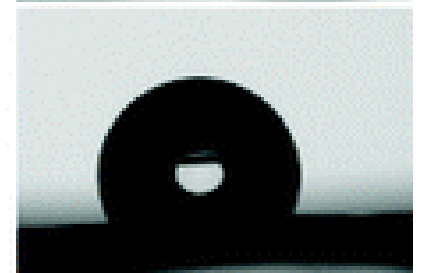
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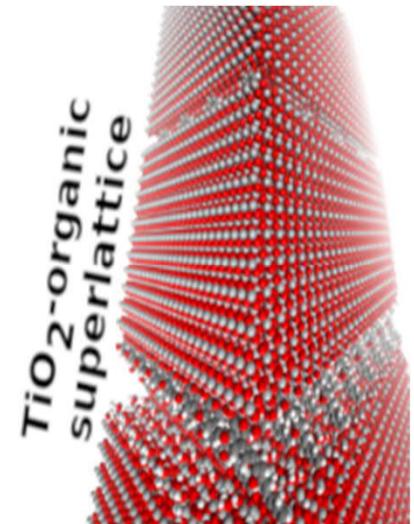
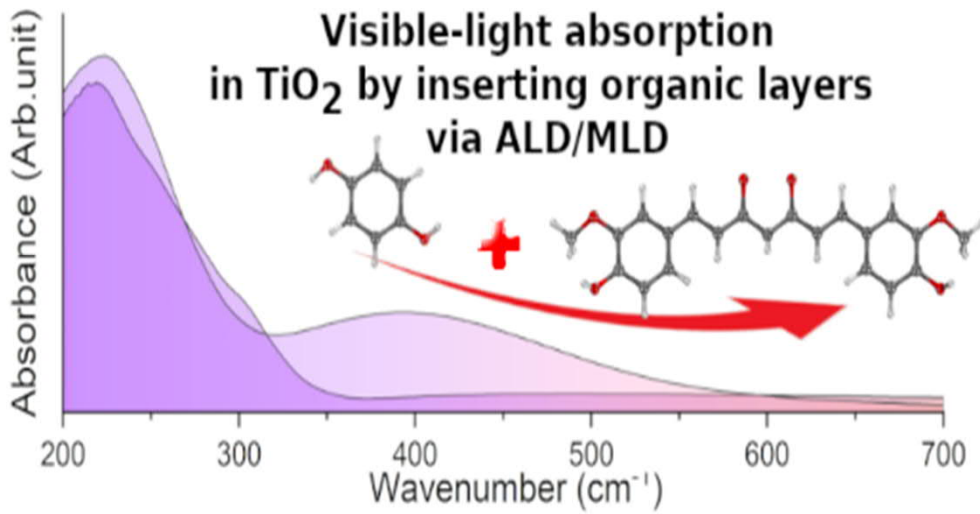
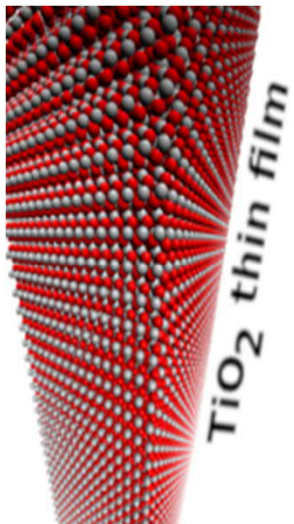
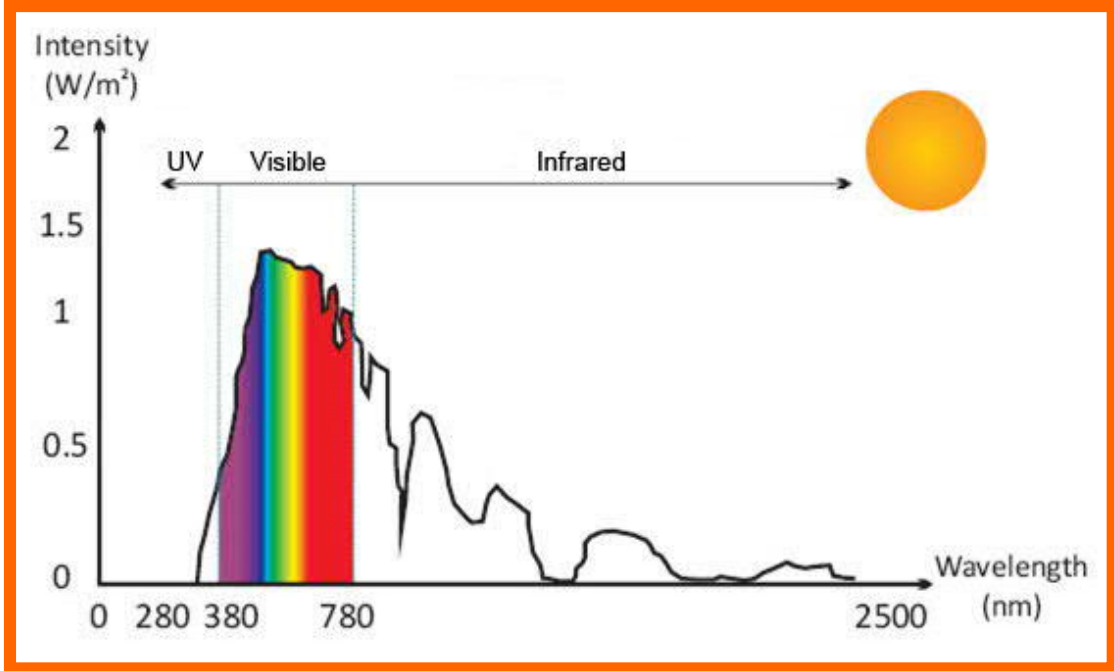
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dark







Visible-light absorbing TiO<sub>2</sub>:curcumin thin films with ALD/MLD, A. Philip, R. Ghiyasi & M. Karppinen, *ChemNanoMat* **7**, 253 (2021).