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WG1: Sensor Materials and Nanotechnology (Vice-Chair) University of Oulu / Finland Suggested Priorities for future research to Action WGs/SIGs General Assembly

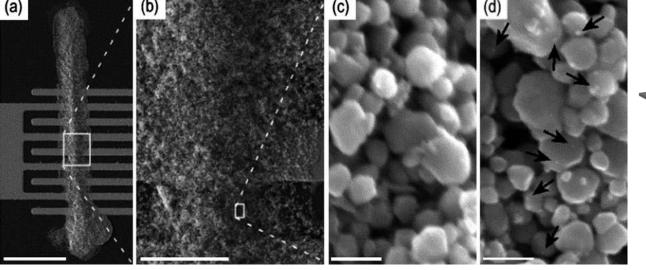
- Research directions as WGs PRIORITIES for Action TD1105:
  - MO thin films, nanoparticles, nanowires, nanotubes, nanoneedles, nanoporous forms of materials like ZnO, SnO<sub>2</sub>, WO<sub>3</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, InO<sub>x</sub>, NiO, and magnetic materials Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, BaSrTiO<sub>3</sub>, etc...
    - Doping of the materials to improve sensitivity and selectivity
    - Nanostructuring to increase specific surface area
    - Heterojunction effects of materials
    - Phenomena at the surface
  - CNMAT Carbon Nano Materials and their functionalization, i.e. CNT, graphene
    - Functionalization of CNMAT by metal and  $MO_x$  nanoparticles, chemical functionalization
    - Doping of graphene layers, integration of graphene on SiC devices

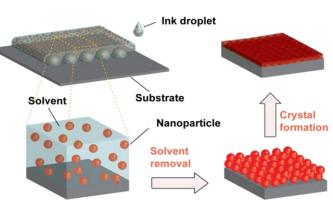


## **Current research activities of the Partner (1/2)**

- Current research topics at the partner organization: Inkjet-printing and low-temperature processing of decorated WO<sub>3</sub> nanoparticles on various substrates for selective gas sensing:
  - Fabrication of Ag, Pd, Pt nanoclusters on surfaces of
    WO<sub>3</sub> nanoparticles using chemical methods!
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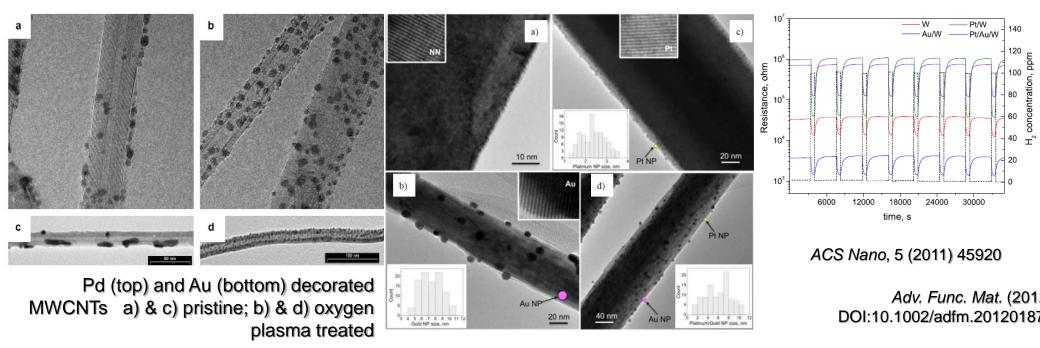








## **Current research activities, E. Llobet et al.**



- Plasma treatment and metal decoration of CNTs and graphene and integration in silicon or flexible u-hotplates
- Growth, integration, characterization and modeling of low-dimensional MOXs
- Selective detection of benzene traces in air



Suggested Priorities for future research to Action WGs/SIGs General Assembly

- Research directions as WGs PRIORITIES for Action TD1105:
  - Other materials; biomaterials, entsymes, antibodies, etc...
  - Molecular, organic/inorganic materials
    - Heterostructures of semiconductors and polymers, Schottky junctions
  - Processing of low cost sensors on flexible substrates
    - Printing techniques; inkjet printing, spincoating,...
    - Template assisted growth of nanostructures
  - Chemical modification of materials for tuning properties for selectivity and specific applications
  - Combination of different approaches and defining the the state art of technologies available, for example, to realize smart sensor structures.

