

# NNCI Director Meeting: San Diego Nanotechnology Infrastructure (SDNI)



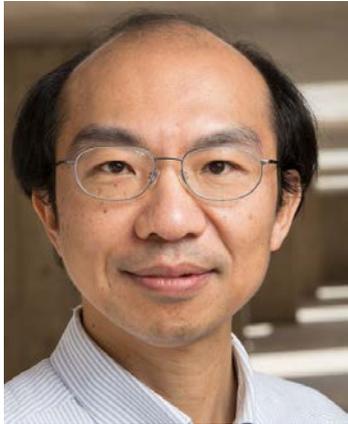
A screenshot of the San Diego Nanotechnology Infrastructure (SDNI) website homepage. The header features the 'sdni' logo and navigation links for 'About', 'Facilities', 'Education', and 'Contact'. The main content area includes a large image of a person in a cleanroom working at a computer, with text indicating '2 microns' and 'Electron-Beam Lithography'. Below this, there are sections for 'Announcements' and 'San Diego Nanotechnology Infrastructure'. The footer contains logos for 'nanos3', 'NSF', 'Calit2', and 'UC San Diego'.

<http://sdni.ucsd.edu>

# Vision

1. Provide infrastructure that enables and facilitates transformative research and education, with emphasis in the areas of ***NanoBioMedicine, NanoPhotonics, and NanoMagnetism.***
2. Integration of UCSD nanotechnology resources, management and operation into the ***national network.***
3. Accelerate the ***translation*** of discoveries and new nanotechnologies to the ***marketplace***, thus increasing economic growths, competitiveness, and high-quality jobs for the nation.

# SDNI Management Team



**Director**



**Deputy Director**



**Asso. Director  
Operation**



**Asso. Director  
Education/Outreach**



**Thrust Leader  
(Nanomagnetics)**



**Thrust Leader  
(Nanobiomedicine)**



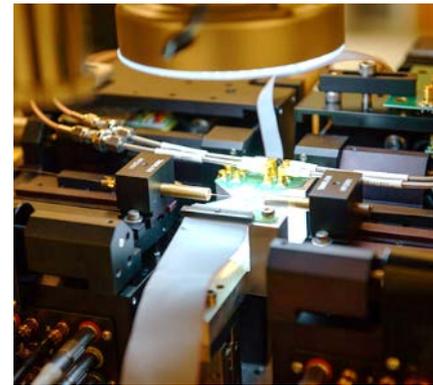
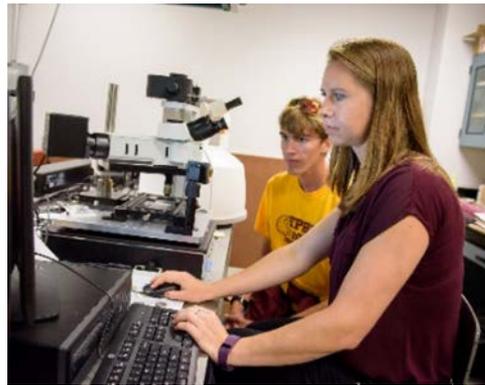
**Coordinator  
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**Business  
Development**

# SDNI Operation

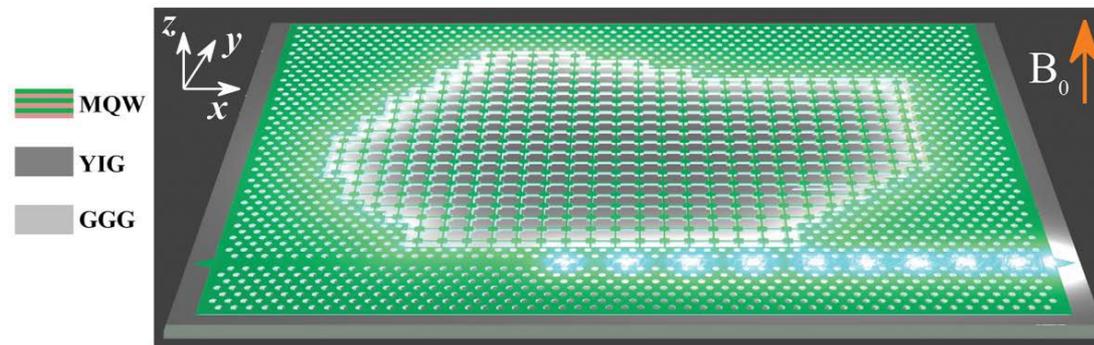
- 1) Nano3 (“Science, Engineering, Medicine”) (Primary Facility)  
(Fruhberger)  
Nano/micro-fabrication and materials characterization/analysis.
- 2) Chip-scale Photonics Testing Facility (Fainman)  
Unique tools for measurements of the electrical/optical response of photonic devices
- 3) In Transition: Magnetic Device Modelling/Processing/Test facilities  
(CMRR). (Fullerton)  
Magnetic characterization and high-performance modeling of magnetic devices. Received major industrial donations of tools.



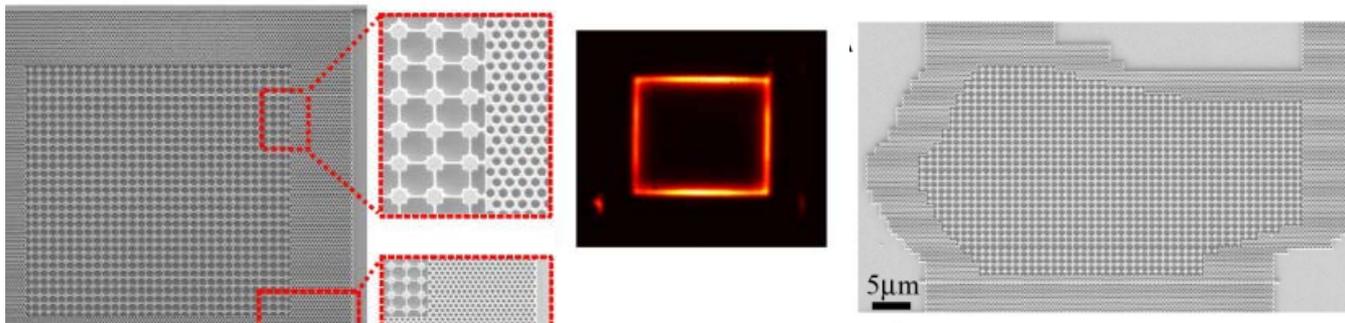
# Fueling Scientific Breakthrough

## Nonreciprocal lasing in topological cavities of arbitrary geometries

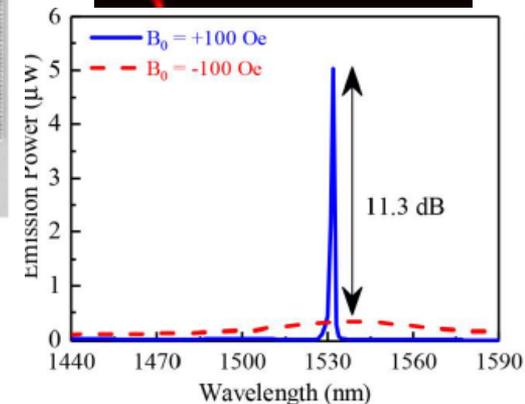
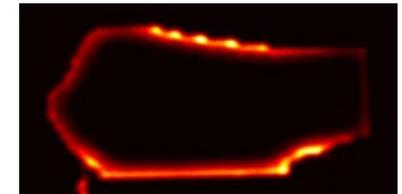
Feature article: *Science*, Oct. 12, 2017



Arbitrarily-shaped and integrated topological



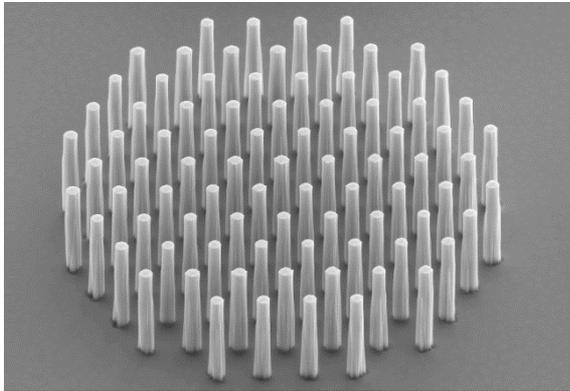
Prof. Boubacar Kante



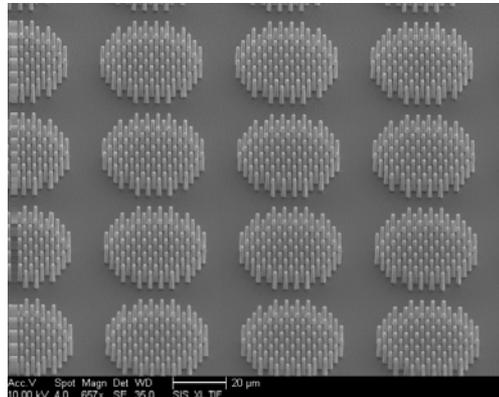
# Translation of Nanotechnology to Improve Human Health



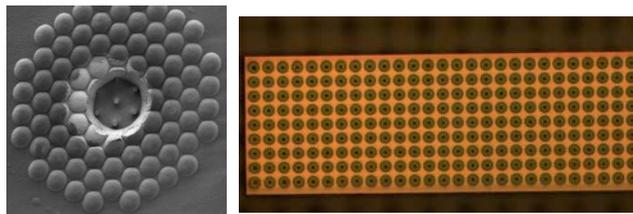
Use Semiconductor Nanowire Retinal Prosthesis to restore human vision



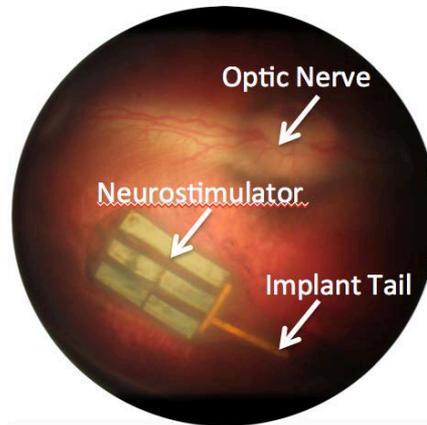
Semiconductor nanowire detectors for neural stimulation



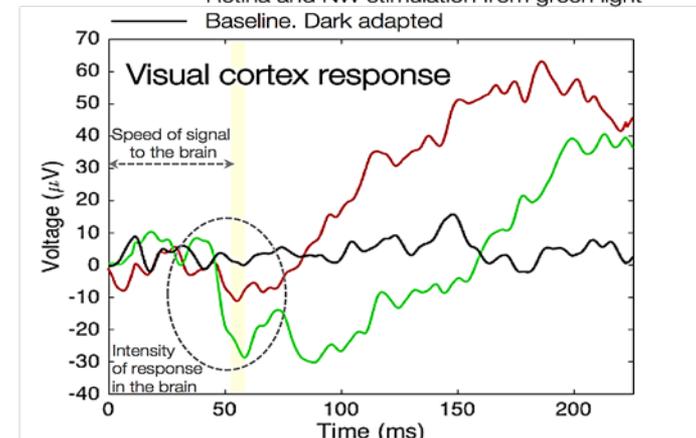
Surgical implant to animal



Nanowire array detectors for subretinal implant



— Nanowire (NW) stimulation using IR light  
 — Retina and NW stimulation from green light  
 — Baseline. Dark adapted



Visual Evoked Potential (VEP) signal

# Redefining Traditional Users

Traditional users before 2015 (pre-NNCI): Any fields/industries using the functionality and unique properties of *nanoscale materials or structures* that are formed by *engineering processes*.

Users by sectors: semiconductor, electronics, MEMS, sensors, storage, photonics, magnetics, energy, subfields of biotechniques (e.g. genomics, drug delivery, tissue engineering), novel materials (2D materials, metamaterials, etc.).

Expanding the definition of “Traditional users” today:

1. Users that use tools to investigate natural or synthetic nanostructures (e.g. microscopy for single molecules) and fields that reach the stage to benefit nanotechnologies (e.g. neural sciences and engineering, medical devices, nanorobots, swarm robots, etc.)
2. Users that do not intend to use the facilities physically, but want to take advantage of the features of nanotechnologies (i.e. contracted services, outsourced users). This is the fastest growing area of “users”. They can be in almost any areas (e.g. tool developers, chemical developers, medicine, food processing, etc.)

# Education and Outreach

**Introduce nanotechnologies to K-12, minorities, and STEM activities: 52 Weeks of Science Program**  
(Reach over 1000 K-12 students)

## **Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)**

- Support 12 REU students (70% women and minority) across the country to conduct 10 week nanotechnology research mentored by professors and graduate students.
- Organize summer research conference.

## **Research Experiences for Teachers (RET)**

- Support 3 high school science teachers to develop science curricula and hands-on labs each year. The developed curricula met the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and will be delivered to thousands of high school students.

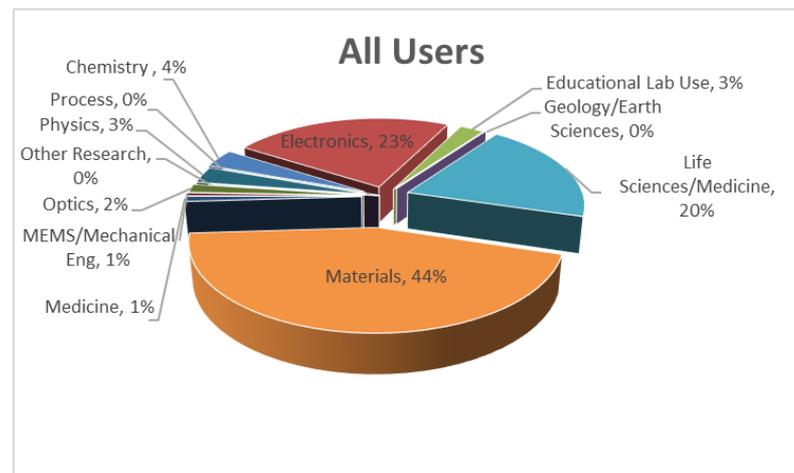
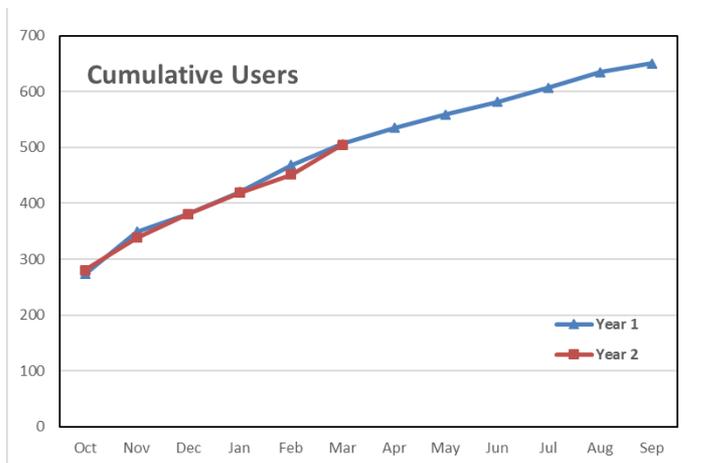
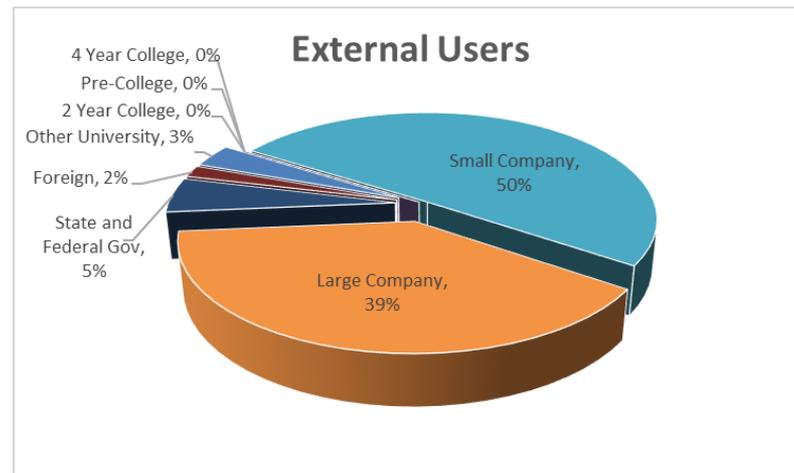
## **Remote electron microscopy courses to high school science classes**

- We started the pilot program of offering remote SEM lab sessions and “**remote hands-on**” experiment to high school science classes.



# Site User Data: SDNI

Yearly User Data Comparison		
	Year 1(12 months)	Year 2 (6 months)
<b>Total Users</b>	650	282
<b>Internal Users</b>	495	232
<b>External Users</b>	155 (24%)	50 (18%)
<b>Total Hours</b>	47,893	22,895
<b>Internal Hours</b>	40,890	17,738
<b>External Hours</b>	7,003 (15%)	5,157 (23%)
<b>Average Monthly Users</b>	290	282
<b>Average External Monthly Users</b>	49 (17%)	50 (18%)
<b>New Users</b>	183	111
<b>New External Users</b>	35 (19%)	22 (20%)



# Summary of Annual Growth

- 5% increase in on-site user hours (50,343 hrs).
- >100% growth for “remote” use via direct services (173 remote users).
- ~40% increase in small company users (34 small companies, 7144 hours) (14% decrease in large company users, 17 large companies, 3728 hours).
- >300% increase in usage hours by small companies (~4% increase in usage hours for large companies).
- ~45% increase in hourly utilization for life sciences.
- 30% increase in total revenue (\$2.6M user fees).
- 15% increase in users trained (210 new users trained).

# Community Outreach

52 Weeks of Sciences

Envision Outreach

UCSD Enspire Middle School Outreach

Comienza Con un Sueno (STEM for Hispanic Families)

COSMOS

Talented Youth Program with Johns Hopkins

Science at Barrio Logan



Early Academic Outreach Program  
Society of Women Engineers  
San Diego Hispanic Society

