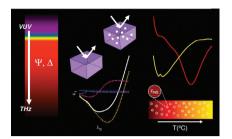
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Spectroscopic ellipsometry for active nano- and meta-materials

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2013-0043 Nanotechnol Rev 2014; 3(3): 223–245 **Review:** Spectroscopic ellipsometry can be performed in a broad spectral range thus providing rich information about the dielectric properties and structure of materials; it is a powerful tool for the characterization of nano- and metamaterials and a key element in the development of novel ultrasensitive detectors.

Keywords: active plasmonics; metamaterials; nanostructured materials; sensing; spectroscopic ellipsometry.



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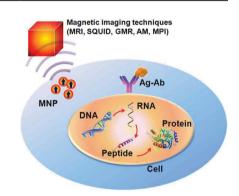
Detection of magnetic nanomaterials
in molecular imaging and diagnosis

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applications

Review: The advances in the development of magnetic imaging techniques for magnetic nanoparticles (MNP) used in molecular imaging and diagnosis applications are summarized.

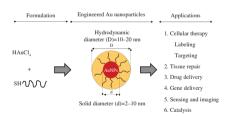
Keywords: atomic magnetometry; magnetic imaging; magnetic nanoparticles; molecular imaging.



Remant Bahadur K.C., Bindu Thapa and Narayan Bhattarai Gold nanoparticle-based gene delivery: promises and challenges

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2013-0026 Nanotechnol Rev 2014; 3(3): 269–280 **Review:** The state-of-the-art formulation of functional gold nanoparticles composed with monolayer genetic materials and stabilizer molecules for implication in various biomedical applications.

Keywords: bioconjugation; functionalization; gene delivery; gold nanoparticles.



Mahendra Rai, Sonal Birla, Avinash P. Ingle, Indarchand Gupta, Aniket Gade, Kamel Abd-Elsalam, Priscyla D. Marcato and Nelson Duran Nanosilver: an inorganic nanoparticle with myriad potential applications

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2014-0001 Nanotechnol Rev 2014; 3(3): 281-309 **Review:** Inorganic nanoparticles like silver are in the focus of current nanotechnology research and development.

Keywords: bioactivity; bionanotechnology; diversity; inorganic nanoparticles; toxicity.



Katla Sai Krishna, Ming He, David A. Bruce and Challa S.S.R. Kumar The enigma of Au₂₁(SC₂H₄Ph)₁₄ nanocluster: a synthetic challenge

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2013-0038 Nanotechnol Rev 2014; 3(3): 311-317 **Research highlight:** We show through DFT calculations that the optimized thiol-stabilized Au₂₁ cluster consists of a center Au₁₃ core capped by two Au₂(SCH₂CH₃)₃ fragments and four Au(SCH₂CH₃)₂ fragments and is energetically stable.

Keywords: atomically precise clusters; DFT calculations; gold nanoclusters.

