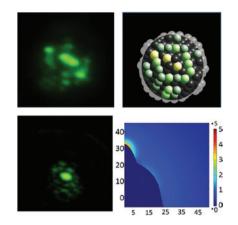
In this issue

Ahmed Ali, Hassan Barada and Moh'd Rezeq

Characterization and modeling of nanotips fabricated in the field ion microscope

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2015-0037 Nanotechnol Rev 2016; 5(3): 301–309 **Review:** An approach is presented for estimating nanotip apex radii using ball crystal models, and also estimating the overall nanotip profile using finite element simulation.

Keywords: characterization; fabrication; modeling; nanotips; simulation.

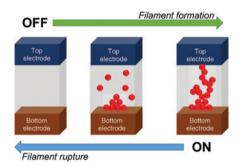


Baker Mohammad, Maguy Abi Jaoude, Vikas Kumar, Dirar Mohammad Al Homouz, Heba Abu Nahla, Mahmoud Al-Qutayri and Nicolas Christoforou

State of the art of metal oxide memristor devices

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2015-0029 Nanotechnol Rev 2016; 5(3): 311–329 **Review:** Recent advancements and characteristics of memristive devices are presented, with special focus on their established resistive switching mechanisms as well as the key challenges associated with their fabrication processes.

Keywords: memory technology; memristor; RRAM; thin films.

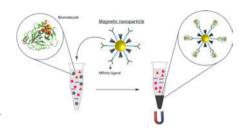


Ibrahim Yildiz

Applications of magnetic nanoparticles in biomedical separation and purification

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2015-0012 Nanotechnol Rev 2016; 5(3): 331–340 **Review:** Magnetic nanoparticles immobilized with affinity ligands are capable of capturing target biomolecules selectively and sensitively in the presence of other biomolecules and species by application of an external magnetic field. The method enables facile and efficient enrichment and purification of target biomolecules on short timescales.

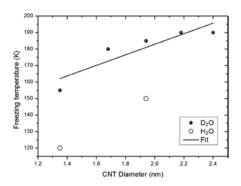
Keywords: biosensor; iron oxide; magnetic separation; nanoparticles; superparamagnetic particles.



Jamal Hassan, Georgios Diamantopoulos, Dirar Homouz and Georgios Papavassiliou Water inside carbon nanotubes: structure and dynamics

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2015-0048 Nanotechnol Rev 2016; 5(3): 341–354 **Review:** A comprehensive review of recent nuclear magnetic resonance and molecular dynamics simulations on confined water inside carbon nanotubes are presented in this article.

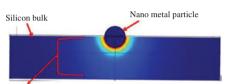
Keywords: molecular simulations; nuclear magnetic resonance; water in carbon nanotubes.



Khouloud Eledlebi, Mohammed Ismail and Moh'd Rezeq Finite element simulation and analysis of nanometalsemiconductor contacts

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2015-0039 Nanotechnol Rev 2016; 5(3): 355–362 **Research highlight:** A finite element simulation software is used to build the geometry of nanometal particle embedded in the surface of semiconductor substrate and analyze the maximum electric field at the interface along with the *I-V* characteristics.

Keywords: nanodevices; nanometal particles; nano-Schottky junctions; thermionic current; tunneling current.



Electric field variation through the interface

Sally Al Shawa, Nayla El-Kork, Ghassan Younes and Mahmoud Korek Theoretical study with dipole moment calculation of new electronic states of the molecule BF

DOI 10.1515/ntrev-2015-0006 Nanotechnol Rev 2016; 5(3): 363–368 **Research highlight:** Twelve electronic states of BF molecule that are not yet observed experimentally are reported here for the first time.

Keywords: *ab initio* calculation; dipole moments; electronic structure; potential energy curves; spectroscopic constants.

