### **Condensed Matter and Materials Research New Developments and Opportunities**





http://www.nsf.gov/materials



Ulrich Strom Executive Officer Division of Materials Research



#### We seek a fundamental understanding of materials and condensed matter

Can we create new materials for science and technology?



Can we understand and apply the physics of condensed matter?

How can we understand and exploit the nano-world?

#### "TRANSFORMATIVE MATERIALS"

Can we understand and control processing/structure/properties relationships in engineering materials?



How can we explore and develop the frontier between materials and biology?





# **Division of Materials Research**

Focus for Diverse Communities and Funding ModesNSF support for materials research is not limited to DMR

- Programs for Individual Investigators and Groups Condensed Matter and Materials Theory, Condensed Matter Physics Solid State Chemistry, Polymers, Biomaterials Metals, Ceramics, Electronic/Optical Materials
- Cross-cutting Programs
  - Centers, Institutes & Partnerships User Facilities and Instrumentation Office of Special Programs (International Collaboration; Education)

#### Distributed Mechanisms

Focused Research Groups NSF-wide programs – REU/RET, CAREER, GOALI, MRI, etc DMR is a major partner in NSF-NANO

Connections

Other areas of NSF, federal agencies, international, industry

### **Division of Materials Research (DMR)**



### Distribution of People Funded by DMR in Materials Research & Education





> 5,000 people used DMR-supported facilities in FY07

#### Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences Funding History, FY 1997 - FY 2008\* Budgets normalized to FY 1997



\* FY 2008 budget as requested



### DMR Proposals & Success Rates (Research Grants 1996 - 2007)



- Many strong proposals declined essentially for lack of funds
- Grant sizes not keeping pace with 'scientific' inflation
- Success rates vary but NSF-wide average is no better



### DMR Funding Rate for Research Proposals





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#### **DMR Awards Demographics in FY 1998 – FY 2007**



### Call for Reinvestment in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)





- Increase US talent pool
- Strengthen basic research
- Develop, recruit & retain best/brightest
- Ensure innovation in America
- From fundamental discoveries to marketable technologies
- Focus on Physical Sciences & Engineering
- Facilities and instrumentation
- World class science and engineering workforce

**Doubles NSF/DOE/NIST Budget** over 10 years!

### FY 2009 Budget Request by Division The Good News

#### **Mathematical and Physical Sciences Funding**

	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	Change over FY 2008 Estimated	
	Actual	Estimated	Request	Amount	Percent
Astronomical Sciences	\$215.39	\$217.86	\$250.01	\$32.15	14.8%
Chemistry	191.22	194.22	244.67	50.45	26.0%
Materials Research	<mark>257.27</mark>	<mark>260.22</mark>	<mark>324.59</mark>	<mark>64.37</mark>	<mark>24.7%</mark>
Mathematical Sciences	205.74	211.79	245.70	33.91	16.0%
Physics	248.47	250.52	297.70	47.18	18.8%
Multidisciplinary Activities	32.64	32.70	40.00	7.30	22.3%
Total, MPS	\$1,150.73	\$1,167.31	<b>\$1,402.67</b>	<b>\$235.36</b>	20.2%

(Dollars in Millions)

Totals may not add due to rounding.









### (Dollars in Millions) **FY 2005 - FY 2008**

### **Back To Reality**

				Change		Change		Change
	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	from	FY 2008	from	FY 2008	from
	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	06 to 07	Request	07 to 08	Estimate	07to 08
AST	195.11	\$199.75	\$215.39	7.8%	\$232.97	8.2%	\$217.86	1.1%
CHE	179.26	180.70	191.22	5.8%	210.54	10.1%	194.22	1.6%
DMR	240.09	242.59	257.26	6.0%	<mark>282.59</mark>	<mark>9.8%</mark>	260.22	1.2%
DMS	200.24	199.52	205.74	3.1%	223.47	8.6%	211.79	2.9%
PHY	224.86	234.15	248.47	6.1%	269.06	8.3%	250.52	0.8%
OMA	29.80	29.90	32.64	9.2%	34.37	5.3%	32.70	0.2%
MPS	1,069.36	1,086.61	1,150.72	5.9%	1,253.00	<mark>8.9%</mark>	\$1,167.31	1.4%

#### <u>NOTE</u>: DMR FY 2004 Actuals = \$250.65M

### Impact of FY2008 Budget on DMR Programs

- DMR will be unable to *increase* research and education support
- Success rates for individual investigators will remain at historically low levels
- DMR will be **unable** to *increase* support for centers
- DMR will be **unable** to *enhance* research, user programs, instrument upgrades or education activities at the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory

BUT, modest new investments will be made in awards relating to instrumentation acquisition & development and in the recently established biomaterials program.



### DMR Budget \$257 M in FY2007





# DMR Funding History, 1996-2007

\$257.26 in FY07





### **Funding (\$M) Distribution for Individual Investigator Programs in FY 2007**











# **DMR Strategic Goals**

- Advance discovery & encourage innovation through transformational, multidisciplinary & global Materials Research
- Promote excellence in K-12, undergraduate, graduate, postdoctoral and public Materials Education
- Develop a strong Materials Research infrastructure via new tools, interdisciplinary centers and multi-user facilities
- Support a capable, diversified and responsive DMR staff for achieving excellence in Materials Research & Education



# NAS Studies & NSF Workshops

#### **National Academy of Sciences (NAS)**

- Opportunities in High Magnetic Field Science (2005)
- Midsize Facilities (2006)
- Condensed-Matter and Materials Physics (2007)
- Materials Research, Science & Engineering Centers (2007)

#### **National Science Foundation (NSF)**

- Cyberinfrastructure & Cyberdiscovery in Materials Science (2006)
- Future Directions in Solid-State Chemistry (2008)
- Interdisciplinary, Globally Leading, Polymer Science & Engineering (2008)





# Physics 2010 – Six Scientific Challenges

- 1. How do complex phenomena emerge from simple ingredients?
- 2. How will the energy demands of future generations be met?
- 3. What is the physics of life?
- 4. What happens far from equilibrium and why?
- 5. What new discoveries await us in the nanoworld?
- 6. How will the information technology revolution be extended? Also,
- How do we extend the frontiers of measurement & prediction?
- How can we inspire and teach others?



Quantum-dot photonic crystal cavity Evelyn Hu et al., UCSB



Courtesy of CMP program directors

- New quantum states of matter
- Interface with AMO Physics
- Quantum-classical interface, including nano
- Interface of 'soft' and 'hard'
- Phenomena and structures for quantum information, including spintronics
- Emergent behavior & complexity
- Strongly correlated electron systems
- Real time data analysis during experiments

### **CMMT - Some Intellectual Challenges**

Courtesy of CMMT program directors

"Challenges of many interacting particles"

- Discover new classes of matter, emergent properties and phenomena, and ways to control them
- From the fundamentals, predict the structure and properties of matter and materials
- Non-equilibrium statistical mechanics: from fracture to life
- Discover the fundamental principles that underlie seemingly diverse phenomena and properties of matter and materials, reaching across disciplines



# **DMR Intellectual Focus Areas**

- Cyber-enabled discovery and innovation
- Fundamental research addressing "Science Beyond Moore's Law"
- Nanoscale materials and phenomena
- Research at the interface between the physical and biological sciences
- Emergence; systems beyond equilibrium
- Materials for sustainability



Scale-free networks

Philippe Cluzel, U Chicago

- "Blue-Sky" materials (e.g. meta-materials, materials linking physical & living systems, etc)
- Seeing beyond the frontiers *and expect the unexpected!*

Education is integrated with Research throughout



### **Cyber-enabled Discovery Computational Materials**

- The inverse problem
  - "The Holy Grail for materials research" Materials by Design
- The forward problem
  - Quantitative Understanding of the Origin of Materials Properties and Phenomena
- The nanoscale problem
  - Structure Determination when the Structure is no Longer Highly Periodic
- Real-time analysis of complex experimental data (e.g. DANSE)
- Big Iron and/or Distributed Computing?



New science and technology, including novel algorithms and conceptual frameworks, are needed for future computing



William G. Gilroy, University of Notre Dame



Luping Yu, University of Chicago Ivan Oleynik, University of South Florida

Spintronics, in which information is carried out by electron's intrinsic spin, is one of the possible candidates for future computing A single-molecule diode was designed to study and learn how to build electronic functionality into molecular architectures



# **NSF Support for Nano**

Wide Spectrum of Topics and Support Modes Individuals, Groups, Centers, Networks, Facilities, Education, SBIR... FY 08 <u>REQUEST</u> \$380M (NSF), \$114M (DMR)



Marzari group, MIT

DMR support for nano is now mostly 'mainstreamed' via *unsolicited* proposals (individuals and groups); centers competition; or instrumentation & facilities

### THE PHYSICAL / BIOLOGICAL FRONTIER







Seth Fraden - Brandeis

 Can we understand and control biological function?

Cyrus Safinya - UCSB

- Can we create complex hierarchical systems the way nature does?
- Can we enable direct electronic communication between computers and living systems?
- Can we use biology to understand complex self-assembly and systems far from equilibrium?
- Can we develop improved biocompatible materials for implants and artificial organs?
- Can we create and guide drug-delivery systems that cause no peripheral damage?

IMPACT: "Human repair" and quality of life. Most powerful scientific toolbox. Control of biological processes. Potential for unraveling the physical basis of life.



# BIOMATERIALS PROGRAM (BMAT)

### **The BMAT Program covers:**

- Materials of biological origin, biomimetic and bioinspired materials, and biocompatible materials
- Synthetic and biological pathways to these materials
- Properties of these materials and phenomena associated with them
- Biomolecular assemblies, systems, and composites involving these materials
- Applications of the methods of condensed matter physics and chemistry and biologically-related materials science to study these materials
- With emphasis on discovery of fundamental new knowledge regarding these materials



# "Biomaterials" in the MRSECs

**Interdisciplinary Research Groups FY08** 

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•	Programmable Bonding, Biomimetic Synthesis	UCSB
•	Patterns, Gradients & Signals in Soft Biomaterials	Cal Tech
•	Bio-interfacial Science	Chicago
•	Materials & Techniques at Cellular Scales	Harvard
•	Synthetic Programmable Membranes	Penn
•	De Novo Synthetic Protein Modules	Penn
•	Molecular Motors	Penn State
•	Response-Driven Systems: Proteins, Polymers, Colloids	Southern Miss
•	Functional Biomolecular Membranes	Stanford/Davis/IBM
•	Genetically Engineered Biomimetic Materials	U Washington
•	Nanostructured Interfaces to Biology	Wisconsin



The International Materials Institutes are developing collaborations within Asia and Africa...



UTeach is featured in *Rising Above the Gathering Storm* as the first model program accompanying recommendation A-1: **TEN THOUSAND TEACHERS FOR TEN MILLION MINDS** (PI is DMR grantee Mike Marder)

- Students at all levels
- Research experience for undergraduates and teachers
- Individual investigators & groups
- CAREER awards
- Centers & user facilities
- Partnerships & international activities



70 DMR REU Sites in 2007

# Solicitations in 2009

- CAREER
- REU sites
- CDI
- PREM
- IMI

<u>Unsolicited proposal</u> window:

Mid-September to early November (dates to be determined)



### DMR Budget FY 2007 \$257.26M



# **Organizational Excellence**



- We are doing better than NSF average
- We promise to increase it close to 90% !
- In fact some of the DMR programs have already reached this goal!



# **DMR Facilities – Major Challenges**

Facility operating costs are borne by DMR

# I. Stewardship of the NHMFL

- DMR currently provides ~95% of NSF funding
- Serving an increasingly broad user community

**Partnership is essential !** 

**II. Stewardship of Future Light Source Facility? Future of University-Based Synchrotron Facility?** 

A major decision will be made based on the recommendations of the MPSAC panel on NSF role in future light source facilities!

# **Pilot ACI-Fellows Program in 2008**

- Creativity extension awards for young investigators and/or underrepresented groups
- Extend support for work that emphasizes:
- \* Broadening participation and/or
- \* Has a strong potential for transformative research

### **Diversity & Education Workshops in 2008**

- Gender Equity Workshop (May 18-20, University of Maryland)
- Education Workshop (August 4-5, NSF)
- Workshop for Scientists with Disabilities (TBD)

### DANSE

#### Distributed Analysis of Neutron Scattering Experiments



Spallation Neutron Source

### DANSE





#### **Asia Participation in the Materials World Network**

#### **Current Participation**

Natural Sciences Foundation-China (NSFC), China Department of Science and Technology (DST), India Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), Japan Agency for Science, Technology, and Research (A\*STAR), National Science Council, Taiwan



#### DMR Visit to China & Japan (10/22-11/2/2007)

- Expanded participation of NSF-China beyond 'materials science' to include condensed matter physics and polymer science
- Future yearly NSF-NSFC joint workshops alternating between USA and China First one on "Materials for Renewable Energy" will be held in USA
- ✓ Possible joint summer school with Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST), China
- $\checkmark$  Incorporated the participation the following organizations in Japan in the MWN:
  - \* National Institute of Materials Science (NIMS)
  - \* New Energy Development Organization (NEDO)
  - \* Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)





**DMR** supports workforce development throughout the educational continuum

- Young investigators (CAREER, ACI-Fellows)
- Undergraduate students (REU)
- K-12 science educators (RET)
- Broadening Participation (PREM, ACI-Fellows, Diversity & Education Workshops)

### Transformative Tune with Quantum Drums



