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## New Nano-Medicine Cancer Drugs: Business & Technology Overview

The War Against Cancer & John & the Tale of Two Nano-medicine

John & the Tale of Two Treatments

Virtual biotech startups
Computational Modeling

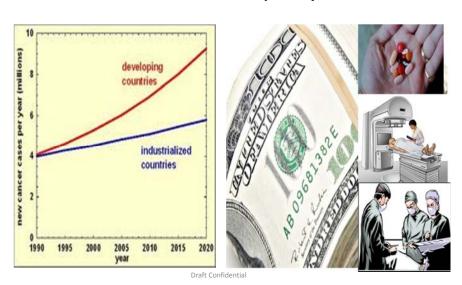
# The War Against Cancer Continues $\rightarrow$ 2001 $\rightarrow$ 2012







### 10M new cases per year

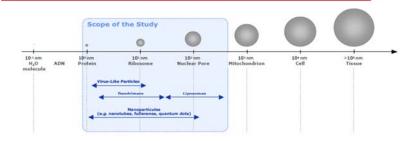


## Development cost & time



# Promise of Nanotechnology in Medicine & Cancer Treatment

Nanoproducts size could be beyond the nanometer scale (between 1 and 100 nm)

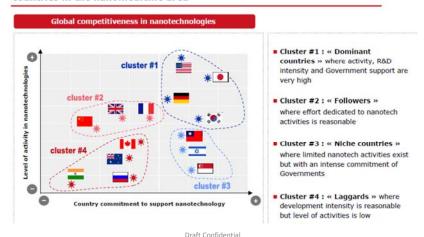


- Nanotechnologies lead to the creation of structures, devices and systems where the size of the active component is comprised between 1 and 100 nanometers (nm)
- Nanotechnologies could also encompass elements of a size that exceeds the nanometer scale (e.g. micrometer) but only if the miniaturization confers them new physical properties (e.g. microfluidics, liposomes)

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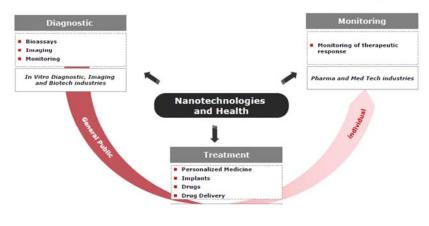
### Global Race for \$70B Nano-Biopharmaceuticals market...

The US, Japan, Germany and South Korea are the most advanced countries in the nanomedicine area



Nanomedicines—already 30+ cancer drugs on the market

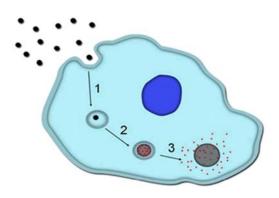
In healthcare, nanotechnologies applications could range from diagnostic to monitoring of treatments



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### Nano-particles for Cancer

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rIXbiAsG7ik





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# How to kill the tumor without endangering the patient?

**Problem**: Major side-effects in 90+ FDA-

approved chemo-therapy drugs

**Solution**: 10x better safety & efficacy with

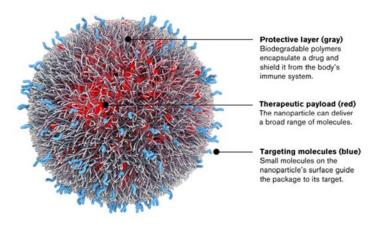
"programmed" nano-engineered DDS

#### John is a cancer drug trial volunteer



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# TNP=Targeted polymeric NanoParticles= "smart bombs for cancer tumors"



Artist's illustration- Source Google Images URL:

#### 1st Generation: Nano-scale the drugs

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Passive EPR effect, 1989 Maeda, Wu et al

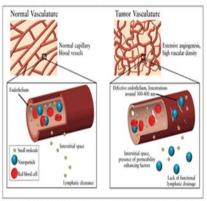
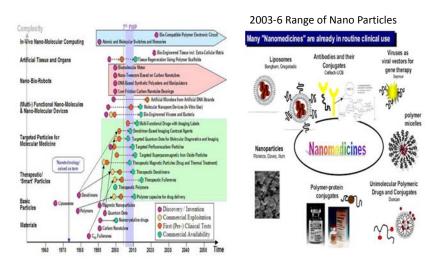


Figure 1. Illustration of the physiological factors that contribute to the enhanced permeation and retention (EPR) effect.

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#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation: Nano-scale the DDS



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# 3<sup>rd</sup> Gen: Nano-engineer the DDS for precise targeting & 10x efficacy



## Apr 2012 First Targeted Nano-particle Drug in Human Clinical Trials

BIND-014 goal: Taxane

Target: PSMA

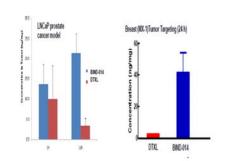
Payload: Docetaxel

Development path:

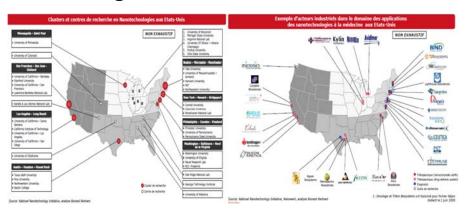
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Safety-controlled Release + 10x Efficacy



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Gen Human Trials April 2012: BIND-014 MIT Langer & Harvard Med Farokhzad



BIND Biosciences founded in 2007 has received \$85.2M in funding...

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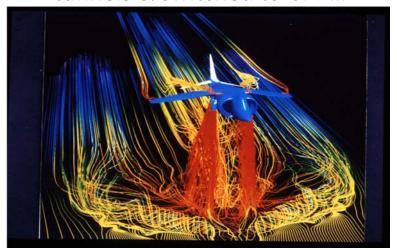


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# In 2004, NASA Ames shut its wind tunnels & switched to CFD...

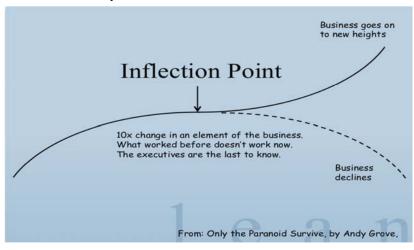


CFD=Computational Fluid Dynamics

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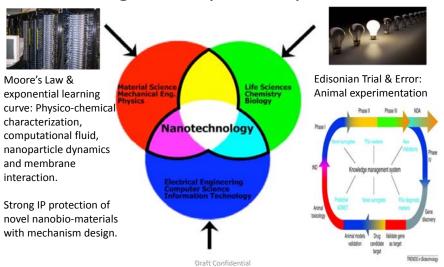
http://www.starchamber.com/20 07/05/seed-science-in-silico.html

# CFD was game-changing: 10x accuracy, 10x speed at 1/10<sup>th</sup> the cost...



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### CFD can computationally "virtualize" nanodrug delivery development



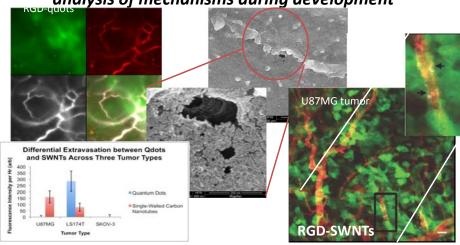
### 4th Gen: "Virtualize" the nanoengineering of drug delivery

#### **Key Innovations:**

- CFD Nano Micro Computational Characterization
- Nano-drug delivery development
- Virtual biotech startup business model—highly capital efficient

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## Nano-Computational Characterization for faster analysis of mechanisms during development



Adsorption & Extravasation to/through tumor vessel is a function of:

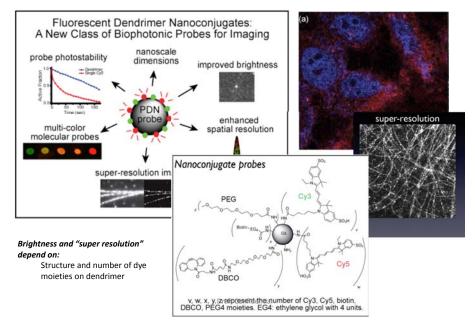
Nanoparticle geometry and size

Shear flow and interactions with circulating cells

Margination, ligand size/density, receptor size/density, and ligand-receptor affinity

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#### New Fluorescence Nanoparticles for imaging



# Value to Users: Shrinking tumors with fewer chemo-therapy side effects

- 12M new cancer patients/yr, 8m die annually
- 90+ chemo-therapy drugs are FDA approved but are dose-limited for safety & side-effects
- Drugs costly due to R&D costs of \$354M/drug.

1400 Average Cost of R&D by Therapy Area
1200
1000
800
800
900
400

Figure 3: Costs per drug for medicines in selected therapeutic areas

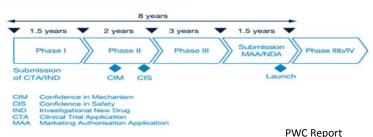
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PWC Report

### Value to Corporate Partners: 2x Faster & 10x Safety and Efficacy

- Use FDA-approved chemo drugs + well-known antigens
- Screen & analyze 100+ DDS nanoparticles Cut 6 yrs of time getting to Phase III review of 73 candidates, with 31% unsafe and 57% ineffective...

Figure 7: The current development process



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### Atlas Ventures: A model LLC Structure for rapid commercialization & funding



#### **Corporate Limited Partners:**

- 1. Pharmaceutical Company
- 2. Consumer Healthcare
- 3. Med Imaging Company
- 4. Life Sciences IT Company

#### **Subsidiaries C-Corp Startups:**

- 1. Lung Cancer DDS
- 2. Brain Tumor CNS DDS
- 3. Imaging

Bruce Booth, Atlas Ventures blog

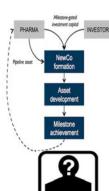
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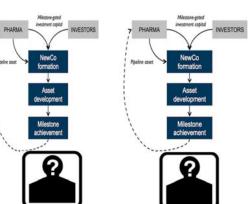
### Each C-Corp start-up in the portfolio is a virtual nano-medicine Build-to-Buy

Start-up #2:



Start-up #1:





Start-up #3:

### Capital-efficient

#### **BIND BioSciences**

2007 \$4.7M debt financing \$16M Series B 2010 \$12.4M Series C \$47.25M Series D 2012 First Human Trials \$85.2M in Funding

2. Benchmarking Lab 25%

a. MRI and Digital MRI file mgt system

ii. 3 computational dynamics postdocs

**Computational Virtual Startup** 

25%

1. Computational Lab 50% a. Large cluster-1000CPUs

i. Computer administrator

b. Facilities Setup c. Utilities 1000/mth

Lab Personnel

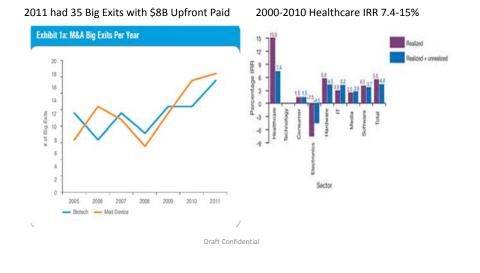
b. small microfluidics lab setup

c. Microscopes & optical tables

TNP Programming Lab = \$2M/year **Operating Expenses** 

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### Virtual Build-to-Buy Approach: Licensing or M&A in 2-3 years





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## New Nano-Medicine Cancer Drugs: Key Takeaways

Nano-engineered drug delivery systems are key advance in War Against Cancer Like smart-bombs, these DDS can target tumors making John's cancer treatment 10x more effective Three Key Innovations: 4<sup>th</sup> gen Nano-Drug delivery Virtual biotech startups Computational Modeling