

The State of the Institute Review 14 July 2008

**Building Interdisciplinary
Research Excellence
for Innovative
Solutions to Global
Challenges**



Agenda

- **five year progress report**
- **launch next phase in the Institute's evolution**
- **remarks by President Crow**

Five Year Accomplishments: Meeting the Challenges

**Building an Entirely New Organization
in an Era of Accelerating Change**

Use-Inspired Research

**Implementing a New Organizational Model
for Cross-Disciplinary Academic Research:
The Evolution of the 'Tightly-Coupled' Institute**

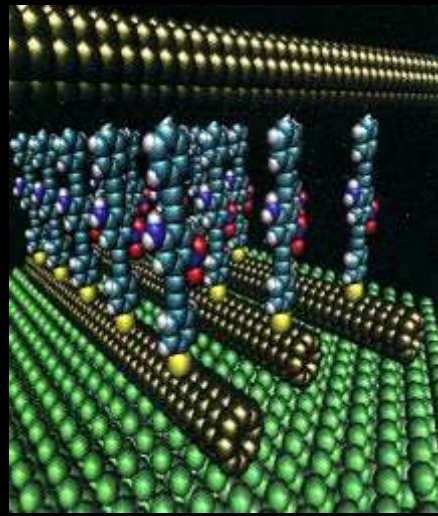
The Challenge of Building an Entirely New Organization in an Era of Accelerating Change



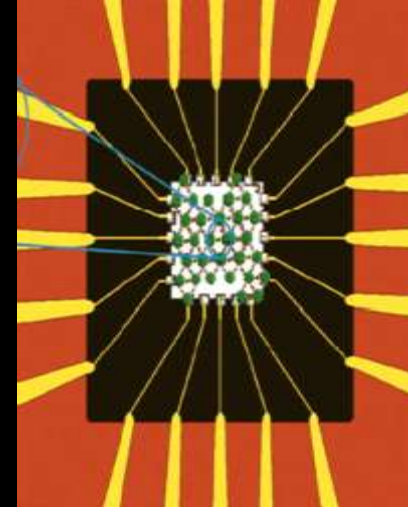
Technology Convergence



**Biotechnology,
Systems Biology and
Synthetic Biology**



**Nanotechnology
Materials Science
and
Miniaturization
Engineering**



**Advanced
Computing
and
Knowledge
Management**

- *technologies with radical, pervasive
and enduring impact*

THE IMPERATIVE TO ADDRESS MAJOR GLOBAL CHALLENGES

The Challenge of Building a New Organization in an Era of Accelerating Change

- **blurring of boundaries between traditional intellectual disciplines**
- **mastery of technology convergence**
 - **science, engineering and computing**
- **escalating funding requirements to support large scale, inter-disciplinary research**
- **new funding sources to counter anticipated constraints on USG agencies**
- **globalization of research and intensifying competition**

Building an Entirely New Organization in an Era of Accelerating Change: The Intangibles

- **seeing a bigger vision**
- **rising to the challenge**
- **creating a great place to work**
- **being part of something special**
- **making an impact on real world problems**
- **courage to say “I don’t know” and “I need your help”**
- **rejoice in collegial and collective accomplishments**
- **everyone is an ambassador**



5 Year Progress Report

An Institute Without Boundaries

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Where Innovation Begins

DEPARTMENTS

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Interdisciplinary Science + Technology II



CDC's Emerging Infectious Diseases Lab



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2006 Lab of the Year

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Future Report

Exclusive

ASU BIODESIGN
INSTITUTE

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

Five Year Accomplishments: Facilities and Staffing

- **on-time, on-budget construction and commissioning of 400,000 sq. ft. of superb facilities**
- **20 facilities awards**
- **first LEED Platinum certification for any AZ facility**
- **recruitment of over 60 faculty and 500 other research and support staff**

Big Science Requires a Big Engine



Five Year Accomplishments: Competitive Funding and Return on Investment

- **received \$71.26 million in TRIF funds from ASU**
- **generated \$199 million in external funding**
- **3.5X return-on-investment**
- **12 patents, 45 patents filed, 122 provisional patent filings, 212 records of invention**
- **catalyzed major reorganization of Arizona Technology Enterprises (AzTE)**

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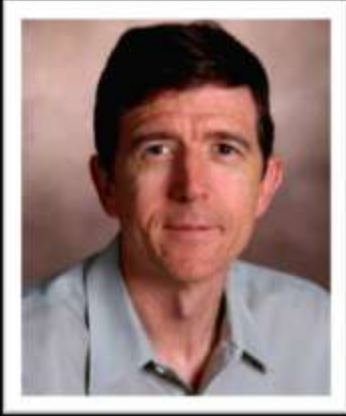


Biosciences IMPROVING THE
COMPETITIVENESS OF ARIZONA'S
BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH ENTERPRISE



Five Year Accomplishments: Recognition of Research Excellence

- **460 papers in leading journals**
- **286 presentations at national/international meetings**
- **faculty service on 56 national level review panels/advisory groups**
- **faculty membership on editorial boards of 32 journals and 23 corporate/foundation boards**



**“This is not your grandfathers science
and it can no longer
be taught that way”**

Dr. Neal Woodbury

Five Year Accomplishments: Education

- **design/participate in 10 new ASU courses**
- **new post-doctoral fellowship scheme**
 - **108 fellows**
- **expand research opportunities for ASU students**
 - **316 undergraduates**
 - **174 graduate students**
- **new Ph.D. program in Biological Design**
- **launch new K-12 educational program**

Five Year Accomplishments: Honors and Awards

- **faculty recipients of numerous prestigious awards**
- **Regents Professorships (2)**
- **ASU Faculty Achievement Awards (3)**
- **Arizona BioIndustry Researcher of the Year Awards (2)**
- **Governors Innovator of the Year Award (2)**
- **Fellowships, American Association for Advancement of Science (3)**
- **major professional society awards (4)**
- **R&D Magazine Researcher of the Year (1)**
- **Einstein Prize: Global Business Leadership Council (1)**
- **Sloan Foundation Fellowship (1)**
- **NIH Eureka Award (1)**
- **DOD Distinguished Career Award (1)**

Five Year Accomplishments: Strengthening State-Wide Research and Economic Development

- **productive collaborations with AZ-based research institutions**
 - TGen, Mayo, Bio-5, Banner, Barrows Neurological Institute, Carl Hayden VA, Scottsdale Health
 - 70 adjunct faculty
- **participation in new state-wide initiatives**
 - Arizona Proteomics Alliance, Health Research Alliance Arizona, Arizona Bioindustry Association, Arizona Bioscience Roadmap
- **successful capture of competitive funding from Science Foundation Arizona**
- **support civic and legislative initiatives in economic development**
 - GPEC, GPL, Gubernatorial initiatives, Arizona Department of Commerce

Five Year Accomplishments: Communications and Public Relations

- **diverse target audiences**
 - legislature, media, industry, philanthropy
 - professionals, employees, students
 - public
- **community relations**
 - hosted 733 tours for 4693 visitors
 - monthly e.newsletter to over 1000 subscribers
- **media relations**
 - 292 major news hits/26 wire stories from 170 press releases
 - high-profile coverage by Nature and Washington Post
 - KAET series on Institute's focus on global challenges

FEATURE STORY



From foe to friend: Researchers use salmonella as a way to administer vaccines in the body

Researchers at the Biodesign Institute at Arizona State University have made a major step forward in their work to develop a biologically engineered organism that can effectively deliver an antigen in the body. The researchers report that they have been able to use live salmonella bacterium as the containment/delivery method for an antigen.

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NEWS & EVENTS

[Can microorganisms be a solution to the world's energy problems?](#)

[Biodesign collaborative mettle leads to new SARS vaccine project](#)

[ASU Leads the Nation with Largest University Solar Installation](#)

AT THE BIODESIGN INSTITUTE, WE STRIVE TO:

- PREVENT AND CURE DISEASE
- OVERCOME THE PAIN AND LIMITATIONS OF INJURY
- RENEW AND SUSTAIN OUR ENVIRONMENT
- SECURE A SAFER WORLD



RESEARCH CENTERS AT THE BIODESIGN INSTITUTE

Applied NanoBioscience
Bioelectronics and Biosensors
BioEnergetics
BioOptical Nanotechnology
Ecogenomics
Environmental Biotechnology
Evolutionary Functional Genomics
Infectious Diseases and Vaccinology
Innovations in Medicine
Single Molecule Biophysics

NEW INITIATIVES

[GET INTO SCIENCE](#)
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GREEN INITIATIVES

PH.D. PROGRAM IN BIOLOGICAL DESIGN

RESOURCES

GLOSSARY

HISTORY

CAREER TRACKS

Five Year Accomplishments: Communications and Public Relations

- **launched Institute web site**
- **average over 700 hits/day**
- **pending major redesign of web site**
- **variety of intranet sites**

Five Year Accomplishments: Institutional Advancement

- **\$18 million in philanthropic donations**
 - **Virginia G. Piper Trust***
 - **\$10 million for Professorial appointments in personalized medicine research**
 - **private philanthropist**
 - **\$5 million for new Ph.D. program in Biological Design**
 - **next challenge for the Institute to capture major donations for facilities expansion**
- *additional \$35 million in collaboration with Partnership for Personalized Medicine**

Five Year Accomplishments: External Review

- **crucial importance of external assessment**
 - **quality of research**
 - **progress in meeting performance goals**
 - **rational use of expensive resources**
 - **operational barriers/problems**
- **established worldclass Institute Advisory Board (IAB)**
 - **11 members of National Academies**
 - **1 Nobel Laureate in Physiology and Medicine**



Arizona State University's president Michael Crow wants to shake up the hierarchy of American universities.

THE ARIZONA EXPERIMENT

Nature (2007) 446, 968



**"ASU is the most radical experiment going on in American higher education."
— George Poste**



**"It is a wonderful thing to be part of a place that is becoming, rather than a place that has been."
— Kip Hodges**

The Evolution of Inter-disciplinary Academic Research Centers (Seed Jan. 2008)



DEGREES OF INTEGRATION These diagrams of scientific institutions were constructed by sorting over 16,000 academic journals into 564 different clusters, which were then grouped into 13 major fields. These major fields are shown as the 13 colored arcs comprising each circular figure. Arc lengths represent the number of journals in the corresponding fields. These circular diagrams can be used to display the disciplinary makeup of institutions. Take, for example, the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Center for Biotechnology and Interdisciplinary Studies. First, the papers authored by this center are mapped to their corresponding disciplines on the circle. Then the average position of these papers is calculated. Colored rays are drawn from this point (the institutional node) to each of the papers on the circle to show disciplinary makeup. The position of the institutional node and distribution of the colored rays give a measure of the interdisciplinarity of the institution. The closer the institutional node is to the center of the circle, and the greater number of colors it incorporates, the more interdisciplinary the institution.

Allen Institute for Brain Science



Arizona State University
Brudman Institute



University of British Columbia College
for Interdisciplinary Studies



Cornell Life Sciences
Initiative



Harvard Origins of
Life Initiative



MIT's Center for Bits
and Atoms



University of Minnesota Institute for the
Advancement of Science and Engineering



Princeton Center for
Theoretical Physics



Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Center for
Biotechnology & Interdisciplinary Studies



The Institute For Lines



University of Wisconsin Institutes
for Discovery



National University of Singapore
Interactive and Digital Media Institute



Five Year Accomplishments: A Critique

- **Institute Advisory Board Reports**

**“The Institute has made excellent progress
far more than many would have dreamed possible at ASU”**

December 2007

**“The achievements of BDI in these initial years
has been remarkable.”**

March 2008

It Doesn't Just Happen!

The Challenge of Building a New Organization in an Era of Accelerating Change:



Five Year Accomplishments: Strategy and Competitiveness

- **how can we prosper in an era of rapid and substantial change?**
- **purposeful proactive planning versus ad hoc and passive reactivity**
- **how can we do things differently to achieve worldclass recognition?**
 - **short timeframe to success**
- **emulation of today's leading institutions is neither realistic nor a guaranteed roadmap for success**

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WINNER OF THE PULITZER PRIZE

Revolutionary Characters

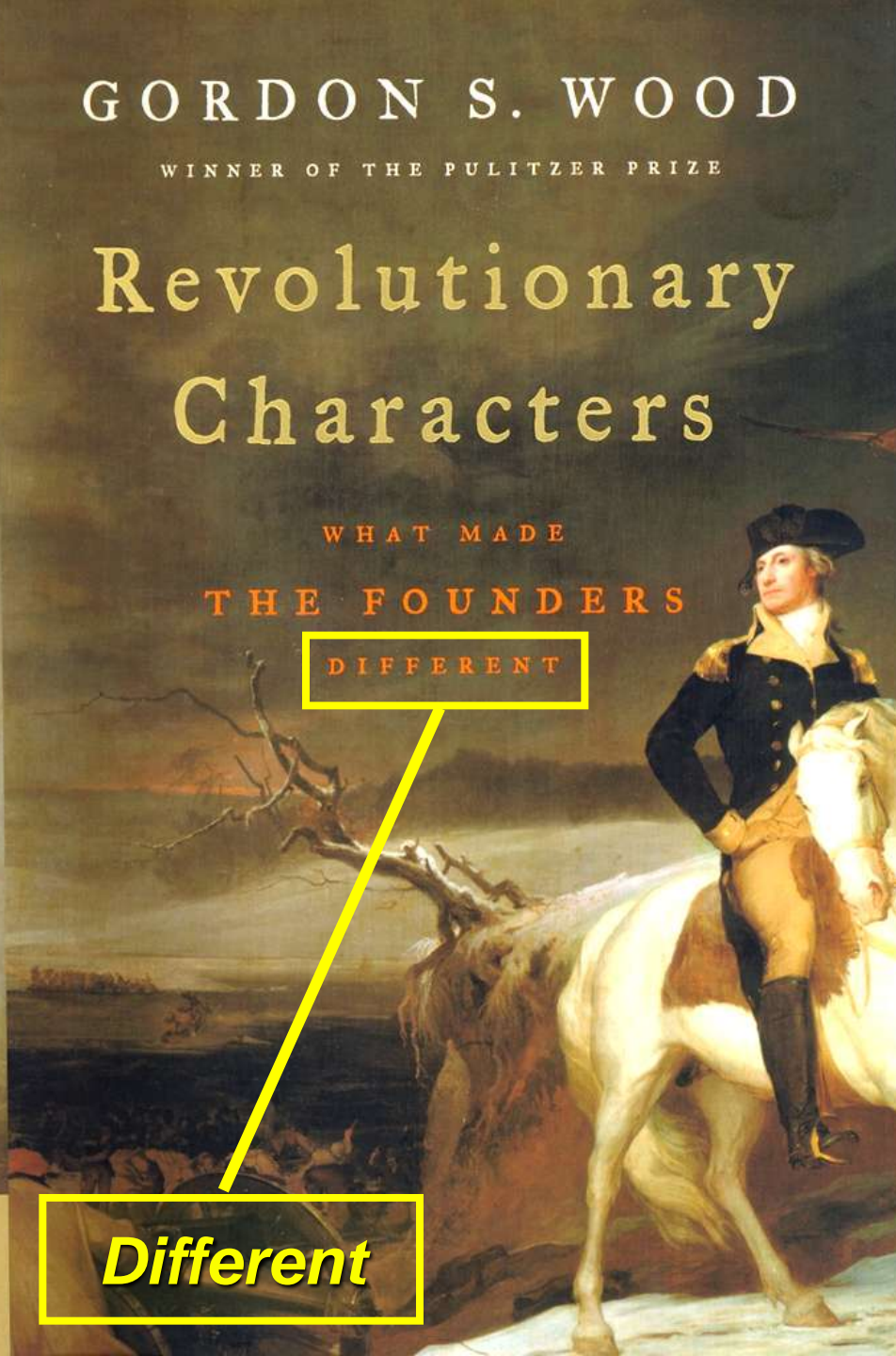
WHAT MADE
THE FOUNDERS
DIFFERENT

Revolutionary Characters

GORDON S. WOOD

The
Penguin
Press

Different



The Challenge of Building a New Organization in an Era of Accelerating Change:



 **Beijing University of Technology**



Indian Institute of Science
Bangalore, India

Making a Difference by Being Different

- **vanguard initiatives that differentiate us from the current 'leaders'**
- **mastery of cross-disciplinary research**
 - **organizational, financial and cultural transitions**
- **use-inspired research that excites us and attracts new sponsors**
- **audacious goals**
- **relentless focus on a few high profile target areas in which we can attain worldclass status**

IMPACT

The Challenge of Building a New Organization in an Era of Accelerating Change: Organizational and Cultural Transitions

- **from a predominant focus on single discipline to multi-disciplinary teams**
- **from limited funding of individual investigators to formidable funding needs of large scale research**
 - **3M grants: multi-investigator; multi-institution; multi-million dollar**
- **from largely autonomous research units to sophisticated orchestration of resources from multiple centers**
 - **progressive evolution of a “tightly-coupled” Institute**

Five Year Accomplishments: Meeting the Challenges

- **highly aggressive timetable and performance metrics**
- **cultural hurdles**
 - **ambiguity, skepticism, fear, hostility**
 - **greater collegiality and cooperation**
 - **‘heavy lifting’ for the collective good**
 - **accountability and deliverability**

**Creation of a Portfolio
of
Competitive Research Programs
to
Address Major Global Challenges**

Use-Inspired Research

High Impact Research on Major Global Challenges and Unmet Needs



personalized medicine



outpacing infectious diseases



energy and environment



securing a safer world



synthetic biology

Leveraging Technology Convergence for Diverse Applications

**Personalized
Medicine**

**Outpacing
Infectious
Disease**

**Energy
and
Environment**

**Securing
a Safer
World**

**Synthetic
Biology**



**Innovative
Solutions for
Major Global
Challenges**

**Unifying
Technology
Platforms**

**Unique
Signatures**

**Signature
Detection**

**Actionable
Information**

Innovative Solutions for Major Global Challenges



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**Unique
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**Signature
Detection**

**Actionable
Information**

Objective

Profile

Sense

Act

**Identification
of
Unique
Signatures**

**Detection
of
Signatures
in
Diverse
Settings**

**Format
and Transmit
Actionable
Information
for
Optimum
Decisions**

Profile

Sense

Act

**Life Sciences
and
Mathematical/Statistical
Tools for
Complex Signal Analysis**

**Nanotechnology,
Miniaturization
Engineering,
Materials Science**

**Large Scale
Informatics
and
Information
Architectures**

Personalized Medicine



Outpacing Infectious Disease



Energy and Environment



Securing a Safer World



Synthetic Biology



Unique Signatures

Molecular Detection Systems: Diagnostics, Sensors & Taggants

Remote Monitoring: Wireless and Network Architectures

Personalized
Medicine

Vaccines
Safe Water

Bioremediation
Bioenergy

Tag, Track,
Locate

Bio-inspired
Mfg.

Informatics: Complex Signal Deconvolution, Data Formatting & Visualization

Assembling a Competitive Portfolio of Projects at Different Levels of Scientific and Technological Maturity

Apollo Projects

- major projects and significant interdisciplinary collaboration
- dedicated project management resources
- supported by significant external funding

Gemini Projects

- maturing high profile projects with anticipated progression to Apollo status 18-24 months
- mixture of internal (TRIF) and external funding

Frontier Projects

- highly innovative concepts that require confirmatory data to attract external funding
- 'seed' funding for one year

Core Technologies

- advanced technologies that support multiple Apollo and/or Gemini Projects

Innovative Solutions for Global Challenges

**Personalized
Medicine**



**Outpacing
Infectious
Disease**



**Energy
and
Environment**



**Securing
a Safer
World**



**Synthetic
Biology**



Apollo Projects

- Synbodies and Molecular Diagnostics (Doc-In-a-box)
- Partnership for Personalized Medicine
- Cancer Vaccines

- New Era Vaccine Technologies

- Tubes-in-the-Desert

- Forensic Profiler

- Living systems Engineering
- Bio-inspired Design, Assembly and Manufacturing

Innovative Solutions for Global Challenges

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Energy and Environment



Securing a Safer World



Synthetic Biology



Gemini Projects

- DNA Scaffolding*
- Next Generation DNA sequencing*
- Next Generation DNA Sequencing*
- Population Proteomics*
- Dark Genome

- Synthetic Genomics for Immunization

- Biohydrogen*
- Molecular Photovoltaics*
- Biomimetic Fuel Cells*

- Dirty Bomb DX*
- Nanowires*
- Sensors for Explosives Detection*
- On Body: In Body Sensors (OBIBs)

- Ecogenomics*
- Metagenomics*
- Dark Genome

* = external funding to supplement TRIF

A “Tightly Coupled” Research Institute

- interdisciplinary
- integrated
- aligned
- competitive

DELIVERY and ACCOUNTABILITY

IMPACT

A Tightly Coupled Institute

- **organizational model adopted in US National Laboratories**
 - **complex, multi-disciplinary projects**
 - **constant changes in skill/resources as projects evolve**
- **alignment (tightly) around shared goals**
- **integration of diverse skills and centers (coupled)**
- **performance milestones for high impact outcomes**

A Tightly Coupled Institute

- **new concept for academic research**
- **progressive evolution from traditional “loose federation” of collaborating units to increasingly coordinated integration**
- **significant cultural and management transitions**
- **new governance mechanisms for oversight and coordination of project portfolio**

Creation of a New Governance Framework for Managing Large Scale, Cross-Disciplinary Projects

The Biodesign Directorate



George Poste
Institute Director



Michael Tracy
Director, California
Collaboration Initiative



Jeffrey Darbut
Director, Finance &
Operations



Kimberly Ovitt
Director, Communication
& Institutional
Advancement



Heather Anderson
Director, Strategic
Integration



Roy Curtiss
Director, Infectious
Diseases and
Vaccinology



Neal Woodbury
Director, BioOptical
Nanotechnology



**Stephen A.
Johnston**
Director,
Innovations in Medicine



Stuart Lindsay
Director, Single Molecule
Biophysics

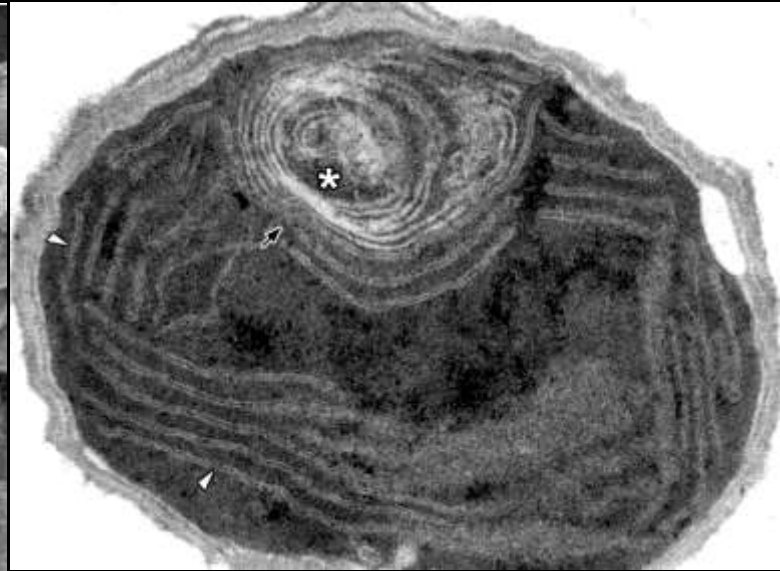
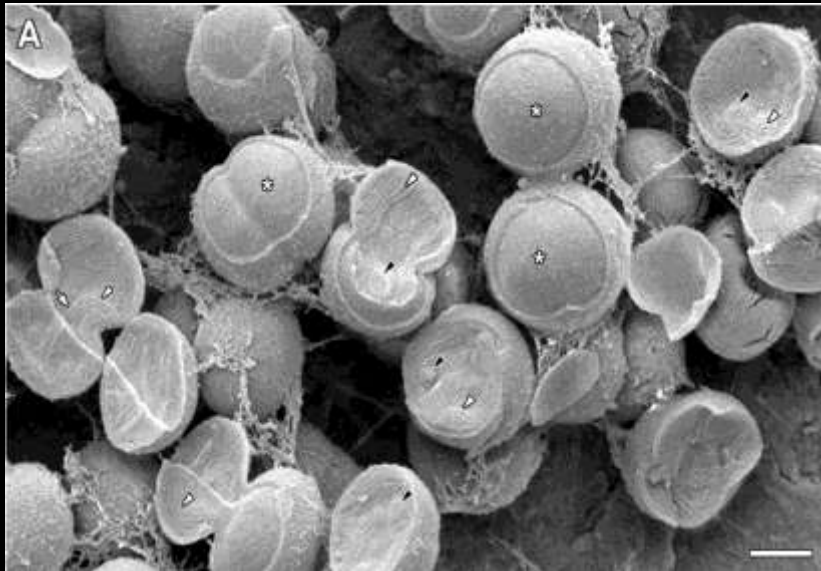


Deirdre Meldrum
Director, Ecogenomics

Apollo Projects

Tubes-in-the-Desert

- high yield bacterial biomass and biodiesel production

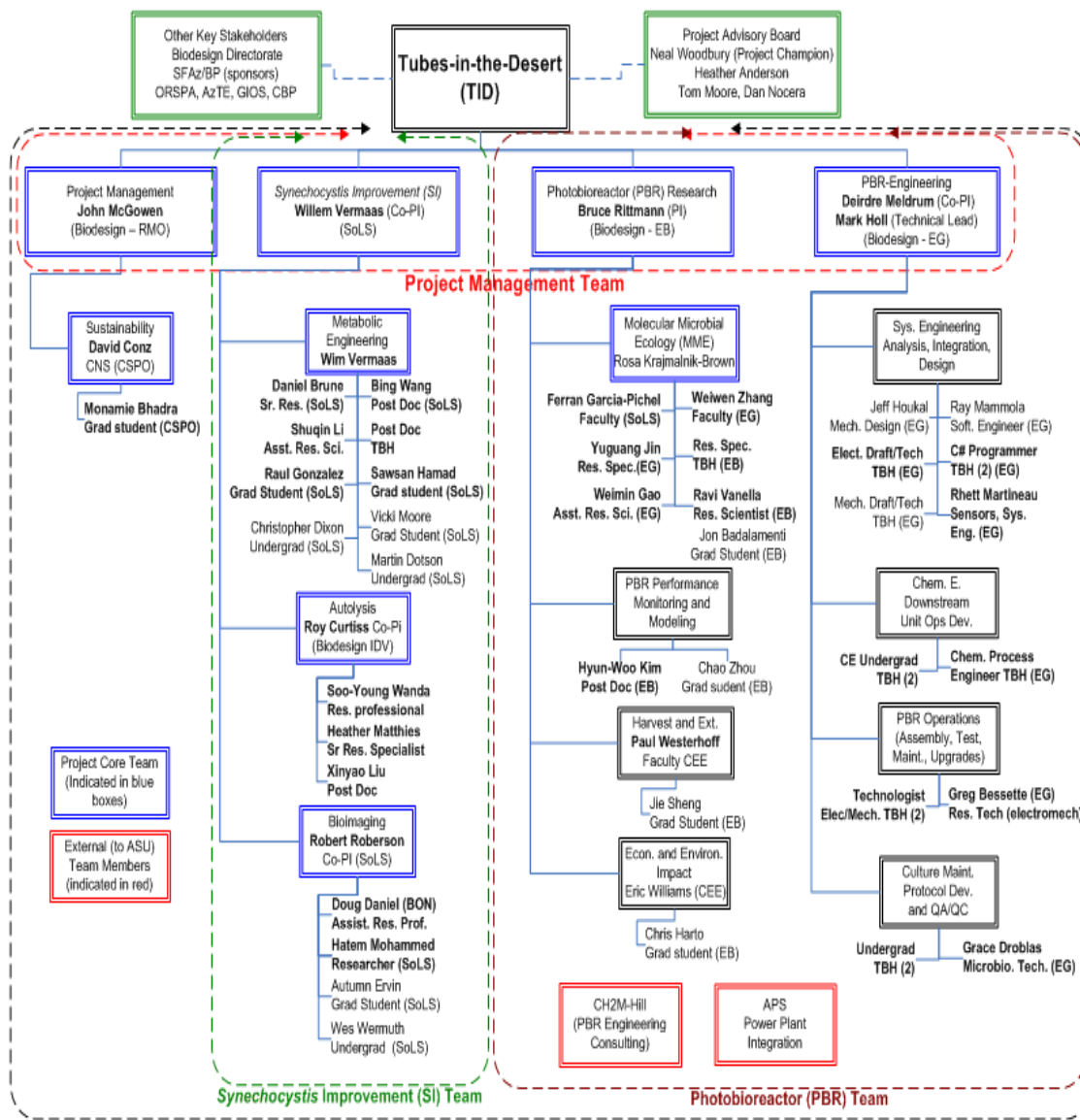


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TID Project Team Organization Feb 08



Five Year Accomplishments: Robust Administrative Systems and Support Systems

- **Office of Strategic Integration and Research Management**
- **establish comprehensive framework to support cross-disciplinary research teams**
- **significant reform/refinement of ASU policies**
 - **personnel, budgeting, purchasing, audit,**
 - **animal welfare, biosafety**
 - **sponsored research**
 - **standardized CDA/MTA procedures**
 - **clinical trials**
- **employee training and orientation programs**



**Understanding and
learning from our
competitors**



**Creating new collaborative
networks**

The California Collaboration Initiative (CCI)

- **unmatched scale and sophistication of California academic and industrial research plus venture capital resources**
- **strategic imperative for Biodesign/ASU to increase collaborations/3M awards**
- **initial focus on synthetic biology**
 - **UCB, UCSF, Stanford, QB3**
 - **‘bio-fab’ consortium**
 - **venture capital investments**
- **led by M. Tracy**

Five Year Accomplishments: Competitive Intelligence

- **Strategy and Research Alliance Unit established December 2005**
- **24 major analyses of emerging technical areas**
- **57 profiles of organizations of interest**
- **16 detailed biographies of researchers of interest (recruitment/collaboration)**

Five Year Accomplishments: Robust Administrative Systems and Support Systems

- **set quantitative performance metrics**
- **parameters for continuous improvement**
- **customer-centric responsiveness**
- **standardization and automation**
- **electronic tracking systems**
- **electronic laboratory notebooks and IP**

Five Year Accomplishments: Information Technologies

- **scale, specialization and sophistication**
- **largest IT research infrastructure on ASU campus**
- **53 servers with 238TB total storage**
- **full backup and disaster recovery**
- **adoption as best practices elsewhere in ASU**
- **comprehensive AV capability**
 - **videoconferencing, podcasting, full HD studio**
- **expanding web-based applications**
 - **Institute web site**
 - **intranet services**

A Multi-Tiered System for Planning and Oversight of the Research Portfolio

Internal

- **Institute Director and Deputy Director**
- **Institute Center Directors**
- **Apollo and Gemini Project Leaders/Team Members**
- **Office of Strategic Integration and Management**
- **Government and Industry Liaison Office**

External

- **Office of the President
- WGB**
- **Institute Advisory Board**
- **Success in competitive funding**
- **Publications and citations**
- **Major conferences and board invitations**

Impact on Global Challenges

vision
and
purpose

use-
inspired
solutions

ASU and Institute
Leadership

IAB

global
challenges

personalized
medicine
outpacing
infectious disease
energy and environment
securing a safer world

Directorate

project
portfolio

Apollo and Gemini projects
New Frontiers projects
core platforms

Program
Leaders

competitiveness

sustaining competitive discipline-based
expertise and collaborations

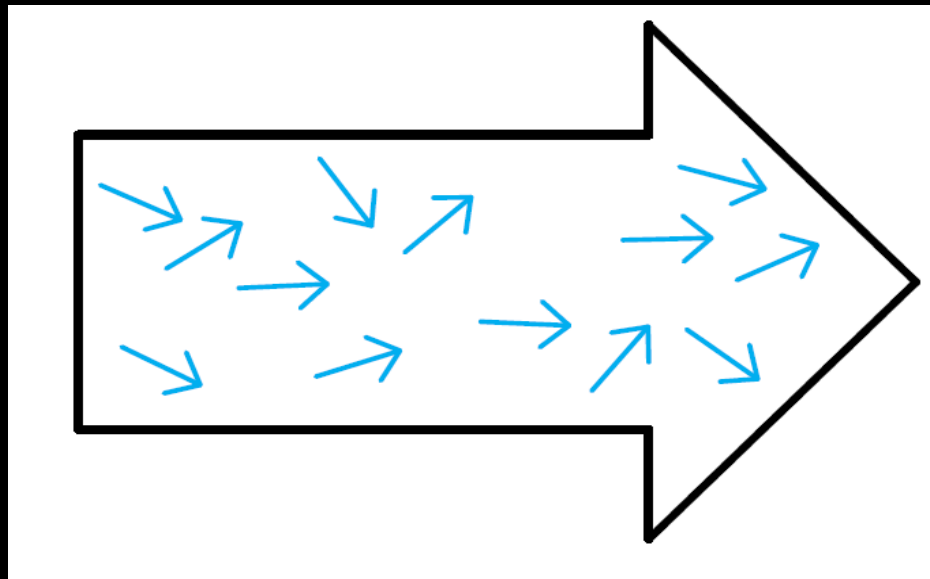
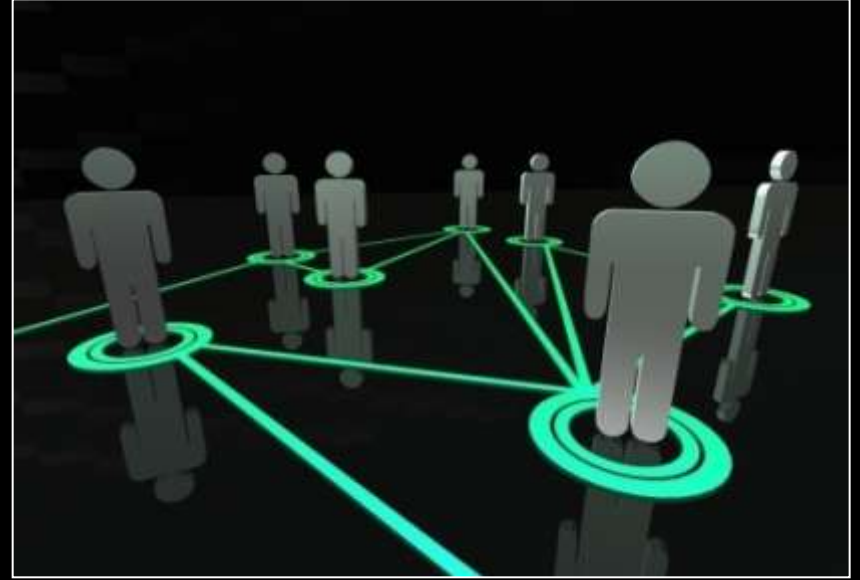
aggressive pursuit of external funding
education and training

Research
Centers

Leveraging Technology Convergence
Cross-Disciplinary Research
Expanded Collaboration Networks
3M Funding

The Changing Environment
for Research Success

Progressive Alignment, Shared Goals and a Collective Ethos for Success



The Challenge of Radical Change

- **radical change is disruptive**
- **radical change is threatening**
- **radical change places great demands on individuals**
 - **engaging with unknown/unproven**
 - **adoption of new methods and acquisition of new skills**
 - **mastery of constant ambiguity and doubt**
 - **relentless, and often hostile, opposition from status quo defenders**
 - **untiring advocacy in the face of naysayers, the petty and the malignant**

The Next Phase in the Evolution of the Institute

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- **sustain momentum of current project portfolio**
- **continue to refine application of tight-coupling to optimize cross-disciplinary research goals**
- **expand external revenue streams to achieve economic self-sufficiency by 2012**
- **diversify funding sources and increase fraction of 3M revenues**
- **increase private-public partnerships**
 - **diversify funding sources**
 - **expand licensing revenues from IP and related assets**

The Next Phase in the Evolution of the Institute

- **launch of the Complex Adaptive Systems Initiative (CASI) at ASU**
- **opportunity for ASU to be in the vanguard of research scholarship in emerging areas of science that will demand broad integration of intellectual resources across the entire university**

The Launch of the Complex Adaptive Systems Initiative (CASI)



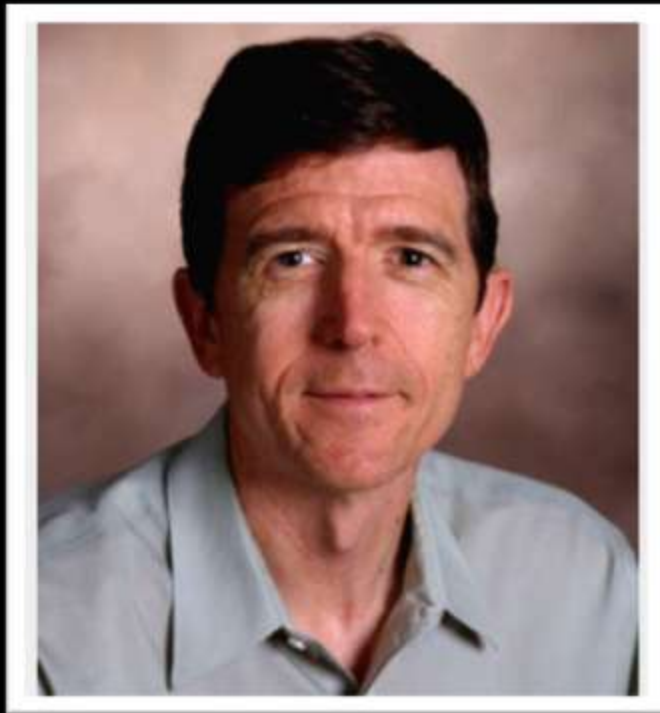
**Chief Scientist,
Complex Adaptive
Systems Initiative,
Arizona State University**

Leadership Transition

Leadership Transition for the Institute

- **G. Poste to assume new role as Chief Scientist, CASI**
- **international search to be launched for successor with worldclass credentials**
- **G. Poste will remain Institute Director until successor is recruited**
- **crucial importance of continuity and providing new Director with access to ongoing experience and insights into the Institute's goals and operations**

Leadership Transition for the Institute



**Appointment of
Dr. Neal Woodbury
as Deputy Director,
The Biodesign Institute**

Understanding the Design Principles of Complex Adaptive Systems: An Ambitious Theme for Research Excellence at ASU

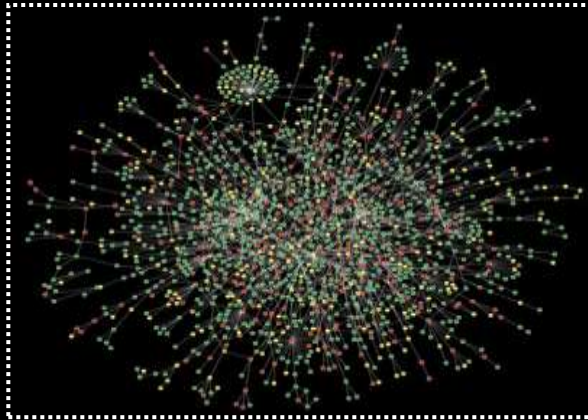


ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

**“Complexity is the new science.
Everything is complex.
Every problem in the world is a system.
The disciplines are classified by people,
but nature never recognizes them.”**

**C. S. Kiang
Founding Dean,
College of Environmental Sciences
Beijing University
Cited in Seed January 2008, p. 56**

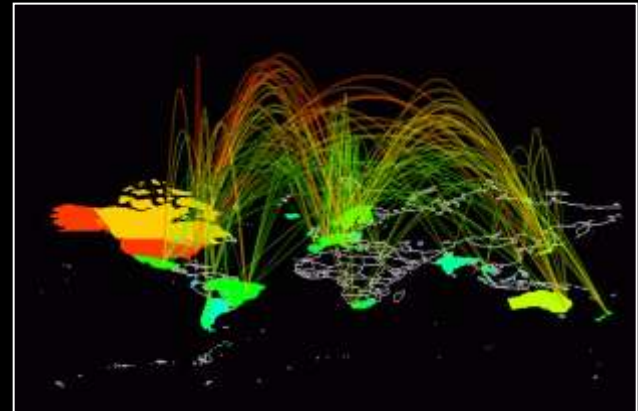
Protein Interactions



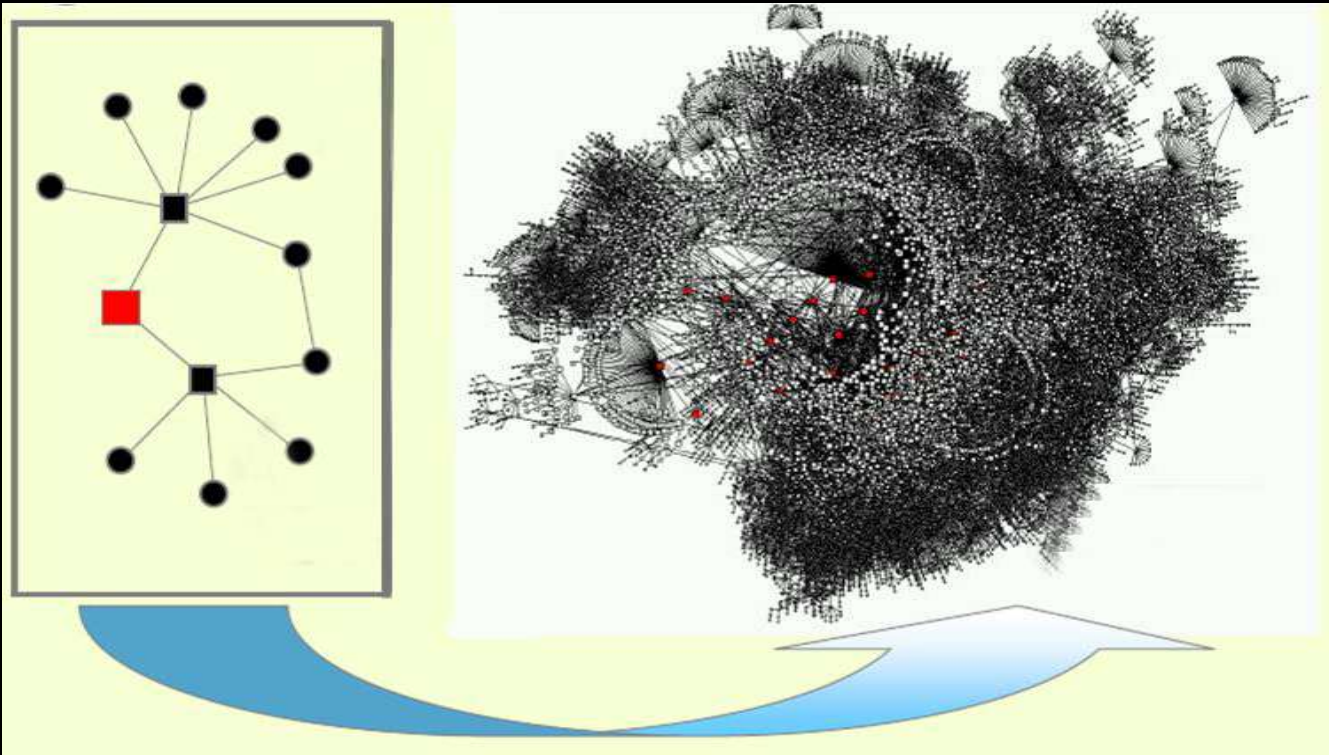
Local Ecosystem



Internet Traffic



Networks



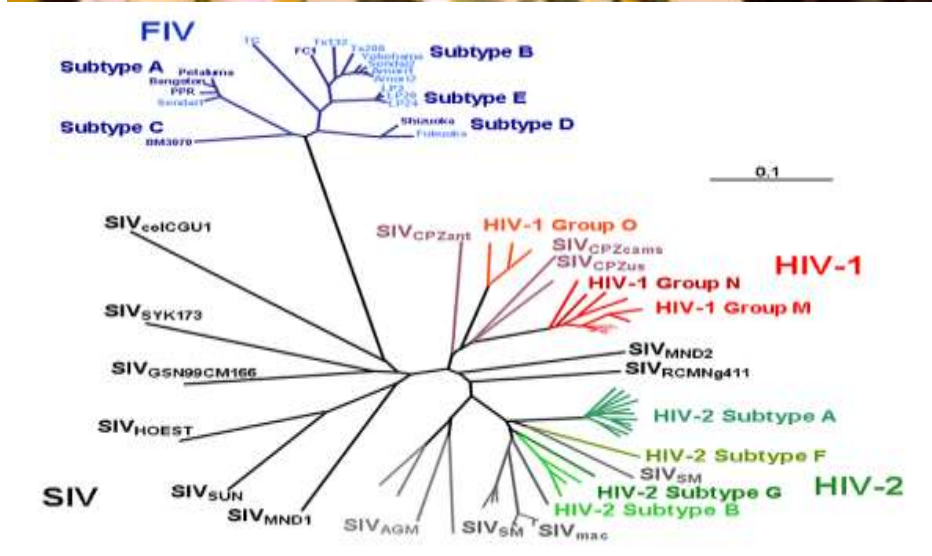
**Systems
of
Systems**

Individual Interactions Lead to Complex Systems

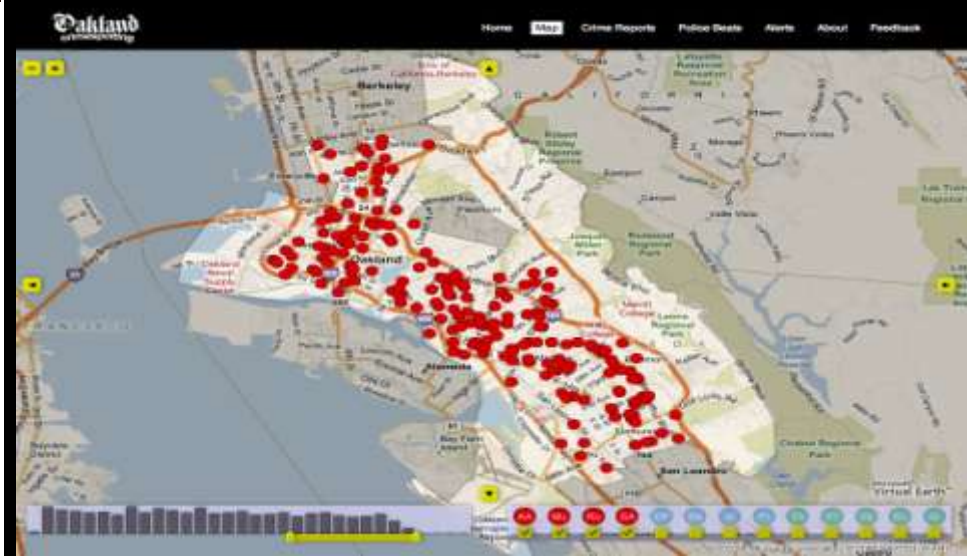
National Power Grid



Global Financial Markets

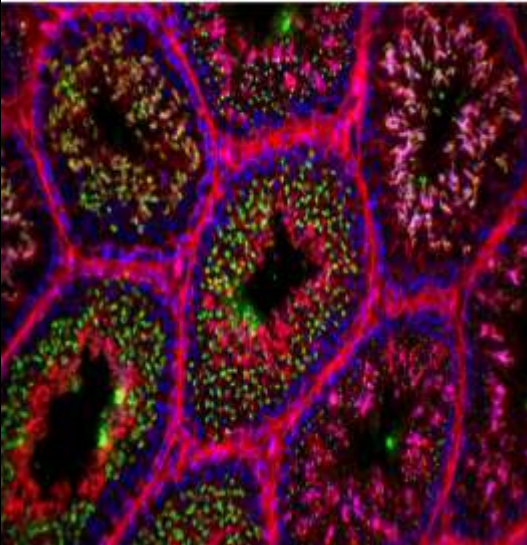
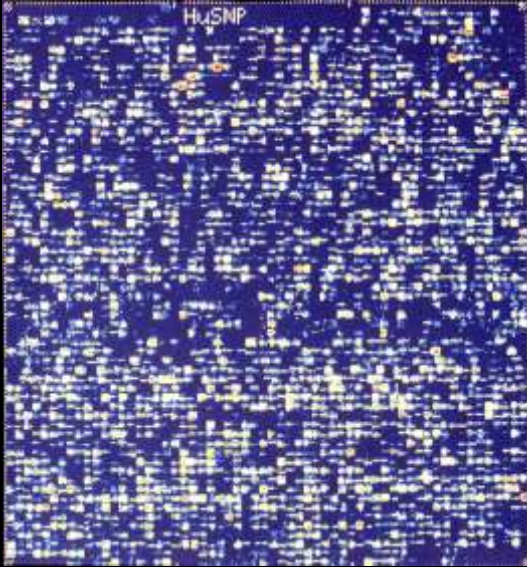


Viral Epidemiology



Urban Crime Patterns

Comprehending Biological Design: The Design of Complex, Adaptive Networks of Increasingly Higher Structural Order



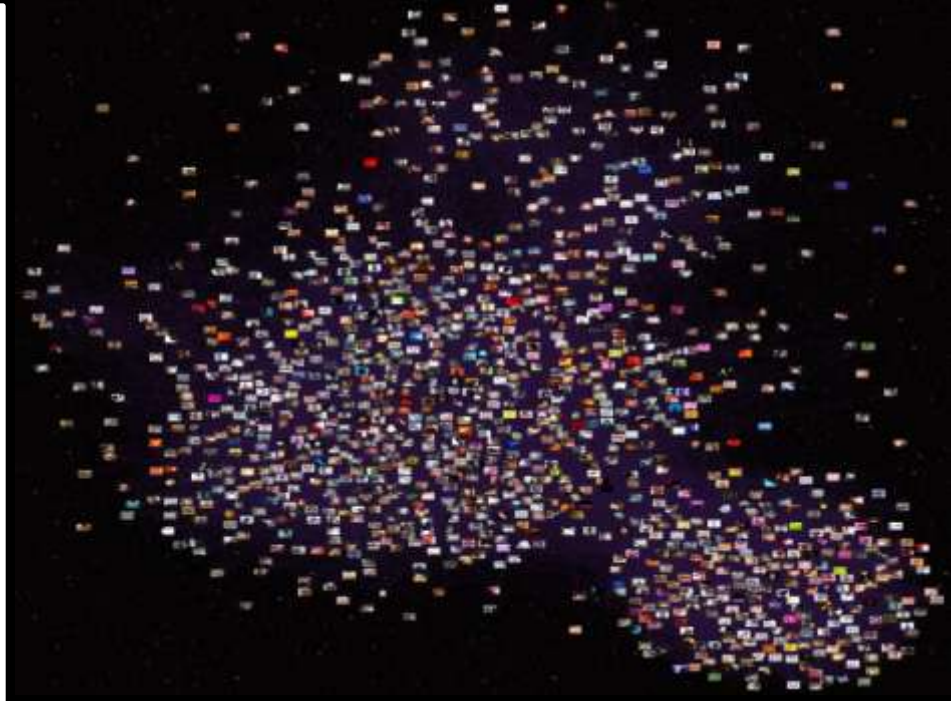
Principles of Design

- **understanding connectivity patterns and unitary organizational principles in seemingly highly different entities**
- **ultimate resolution as patterns of information flow**
 - **“it from bits”**
 - **“the ecology of information networks”**
 - **“the ecology of knowledge”**
- **overarching and unifying concept for the integration of knowledge**
 - **science, technology, humanities, law, business**

The Elegance of Design: Combinatorial Assembly of Complex Adaptive Systems

- **assembly of higher order complexity/functional diversity**
 - **components**
 - **circuits**
 - **networks**
 - **system**
 - **connectivity of systems**
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Combinatorial Assembly and Complexity



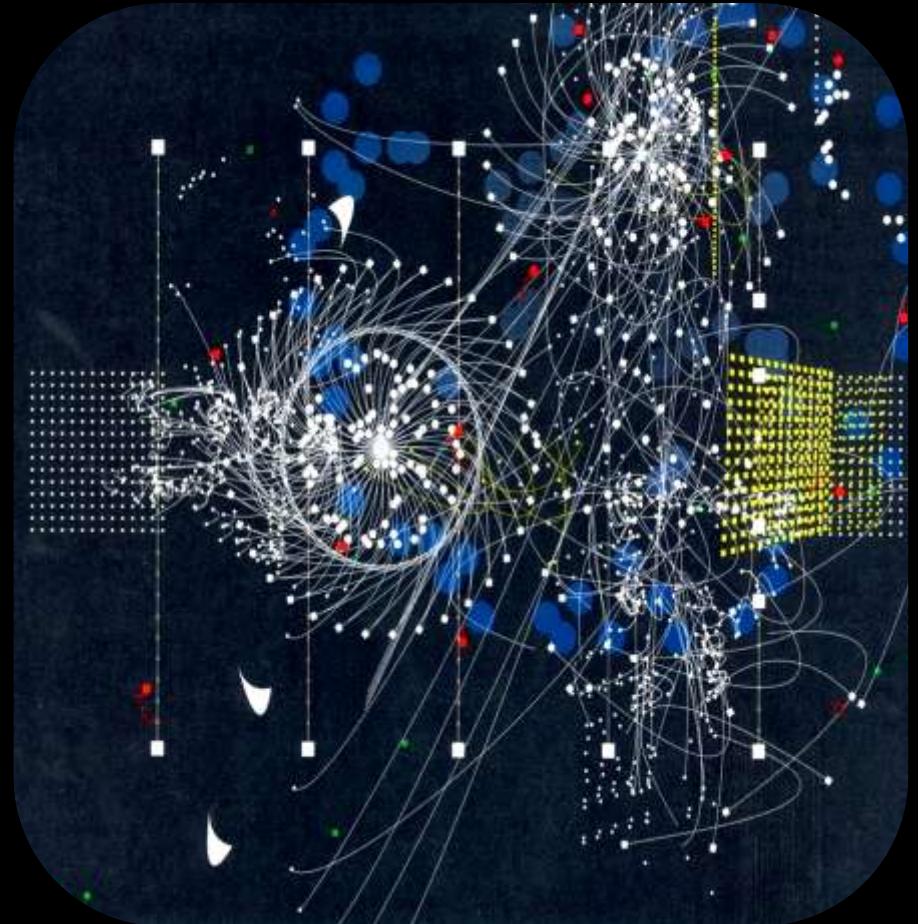
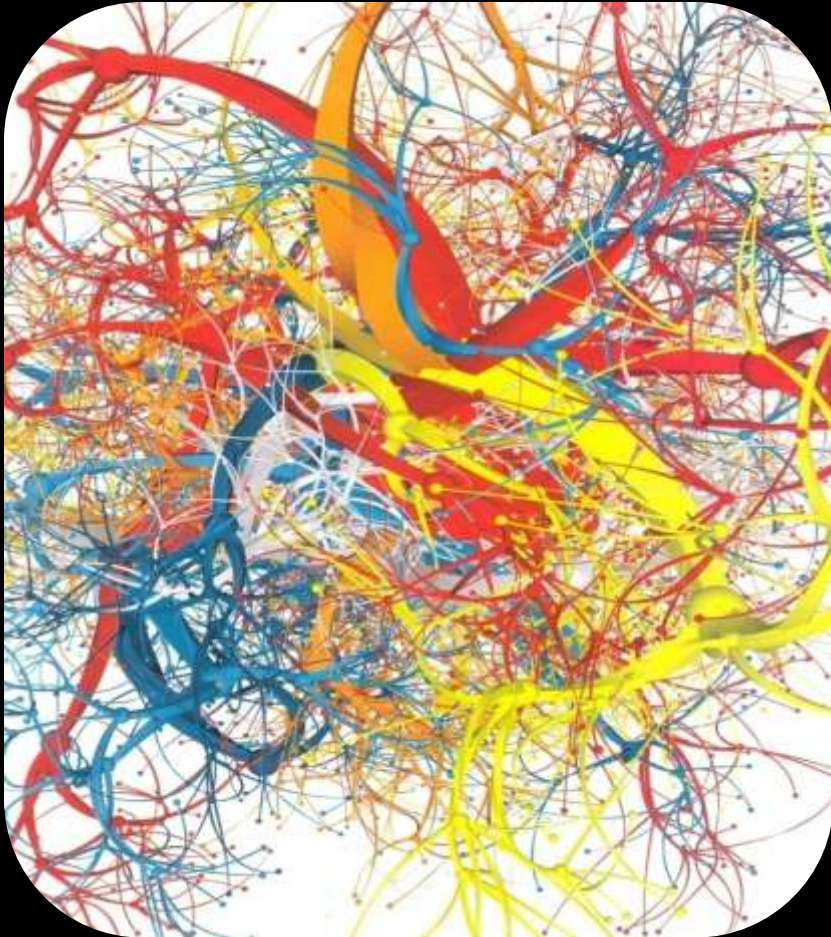
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Limitless Diversity From Combinatorial Assemblies of Limited Building Blocks***



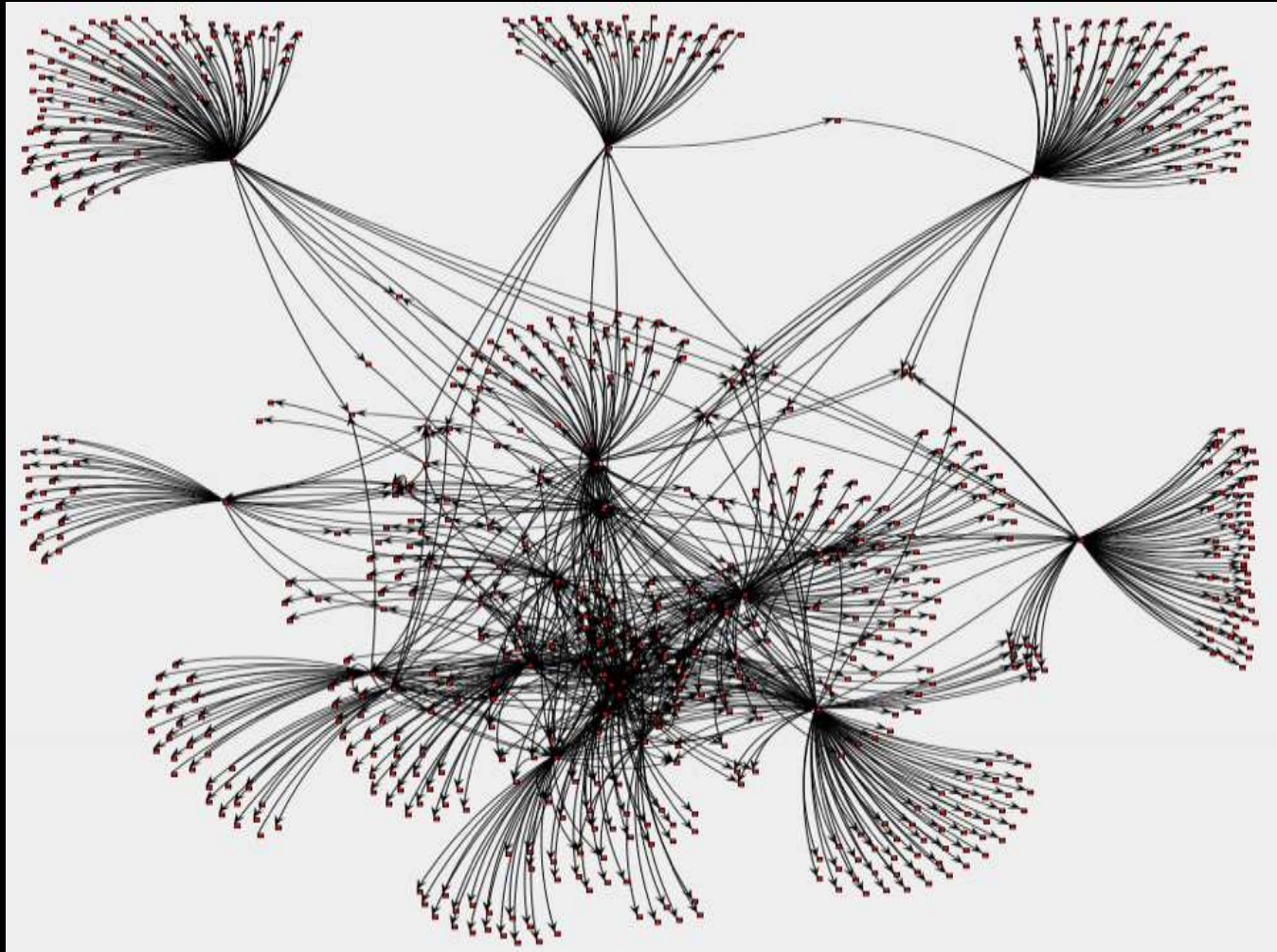
“Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication”

Leonardo de Vinci

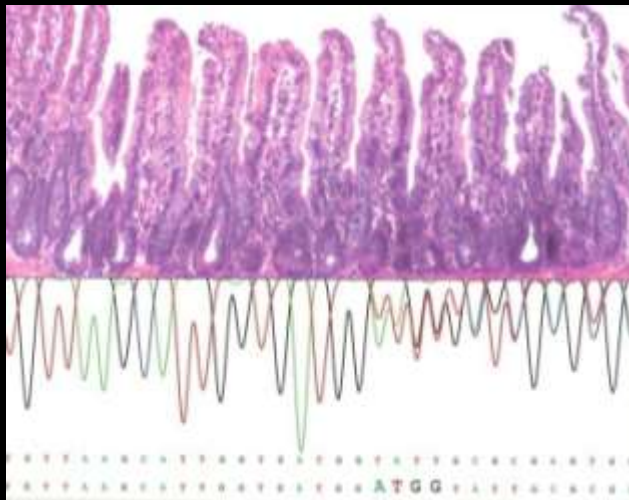
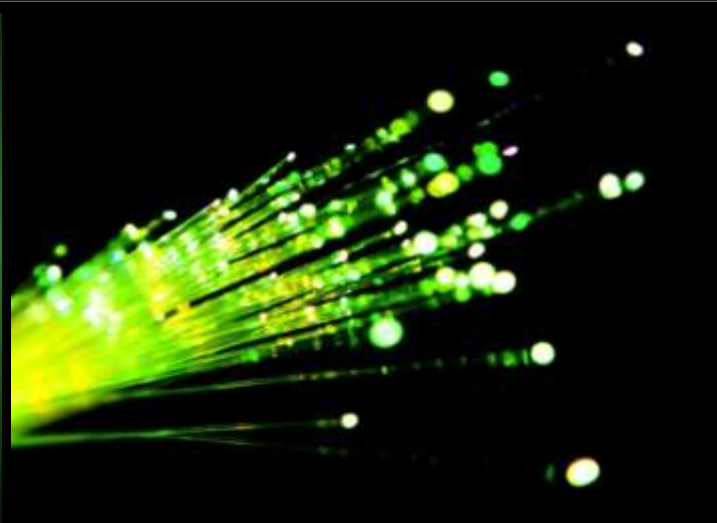
Elucidation of the Structure of Scale-Free Networks and Interaction Patterns



The Elegance of Design: Scale-Free Networks: a Ubiquitous Design Principle

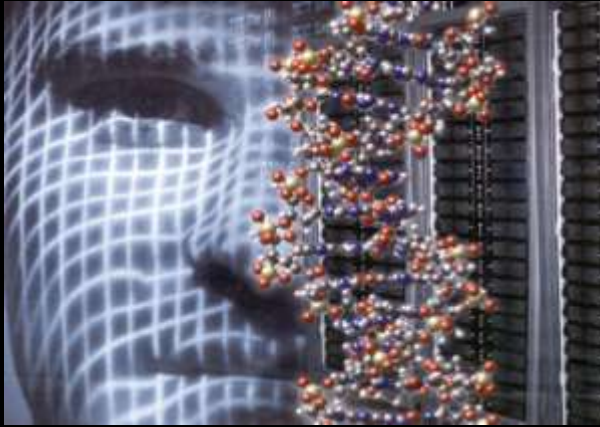


The Elegance of Design: Unitary Codes for the Assembly and Interaction of Networks and Systems

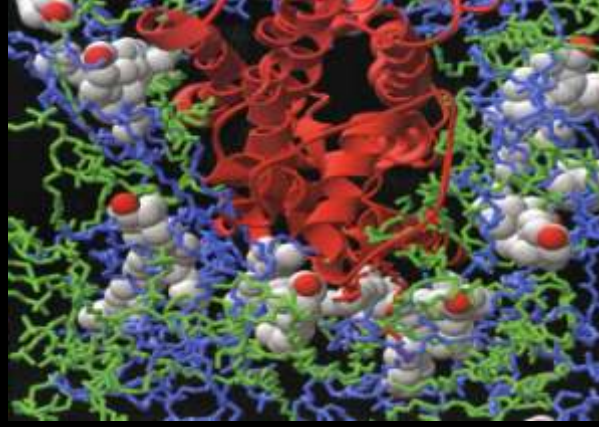


Systems Biology: Mapping the Assembly, Control and Perturbation of Molecular Networks in Health and Disease

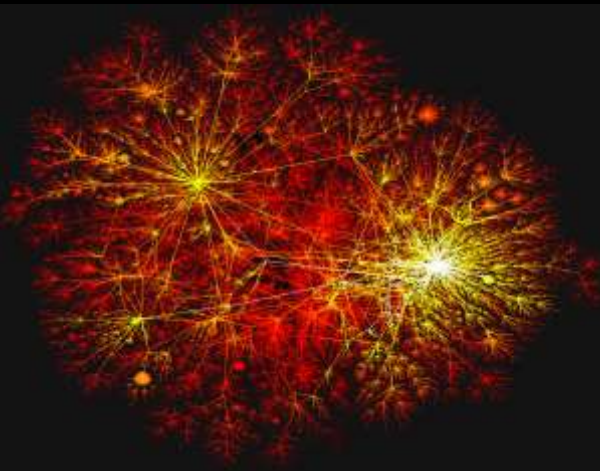
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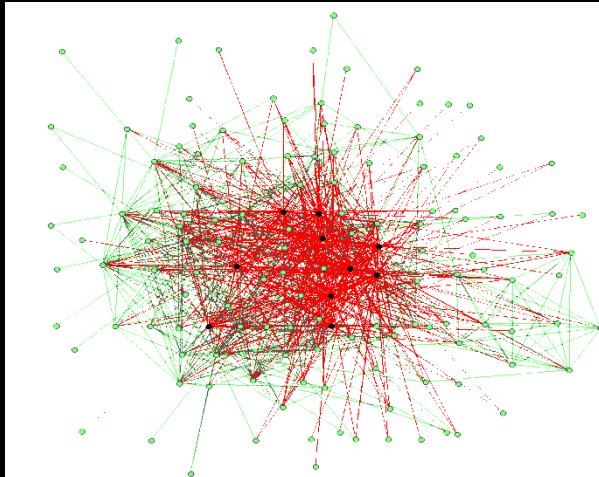
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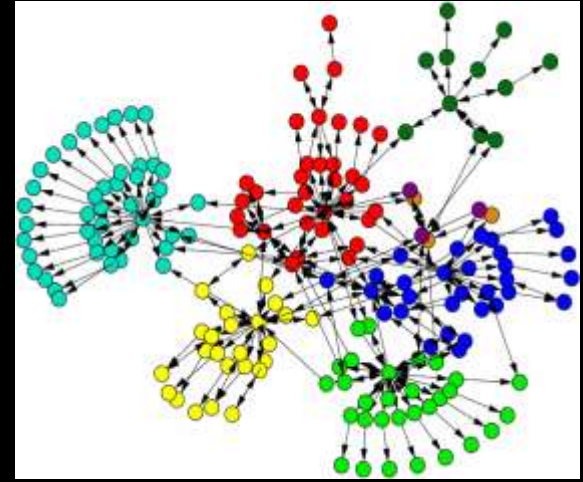
Circuits



**Scale-free
Networks**



**Protein
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**Network
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Features of Complex Adaptive Systems: Highly Optimized Tolerance and Far-From Equilibrium States

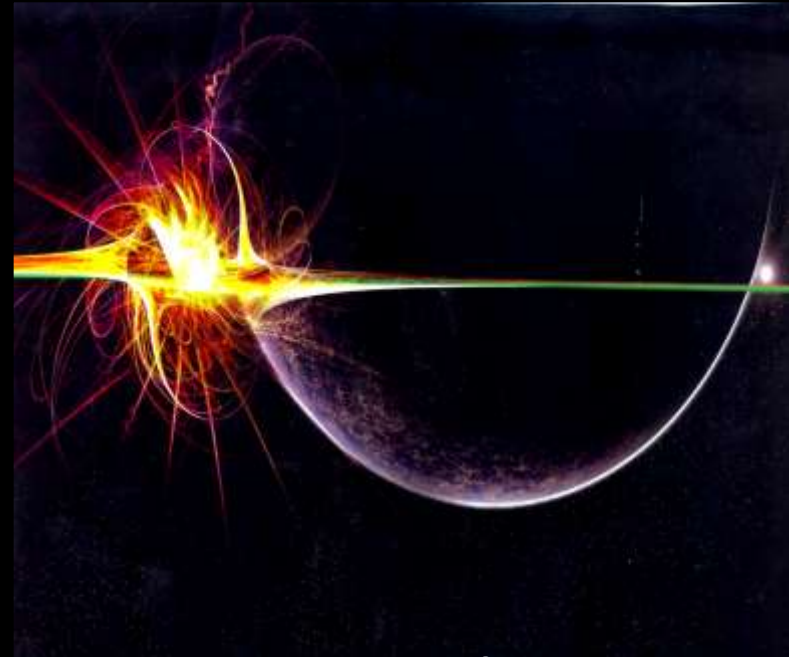
Convergence



- novel interactions between previously distinct networks/systems



Emergence



- new patterns of convergence trigger new system with highly different and unexpected features

**“For most of us design is invisible.
Until it fails” Bruce Mau. Massive Change. 2004**



Convergence and Radical Shifts in Complex Adaptive Systems (Emergence)



Convergence in Complex Adaptive Systems and the Emergence of Discontinuities

Ubiquitous
Sensing



Synthetic
Biology



Brain: Machine
Interactions



Infocosm
and
Metaverse



Cosmology



“Connected
Space”

“Exploring
Biospace”

“Cognitive
Space”

“Cyberspace”

“Outer Space”

Ever Shifting, Multi-Dimensional Matrices
in the Ecology of Knowledge

The Complex Adaptive Systems Initiative (CASI)

- **intellectual foundation for increasingly accurate prediction of CAS behavior and directed design of desired CAS dynamics**
- **the ecology of information**
- **the ecology of knowledge**

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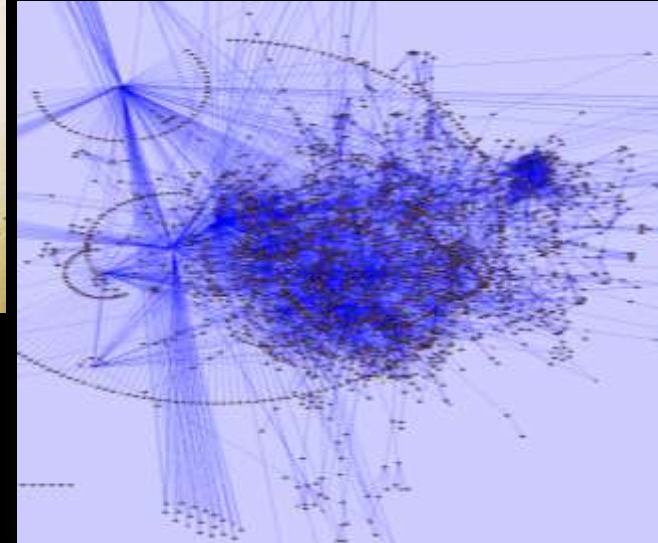
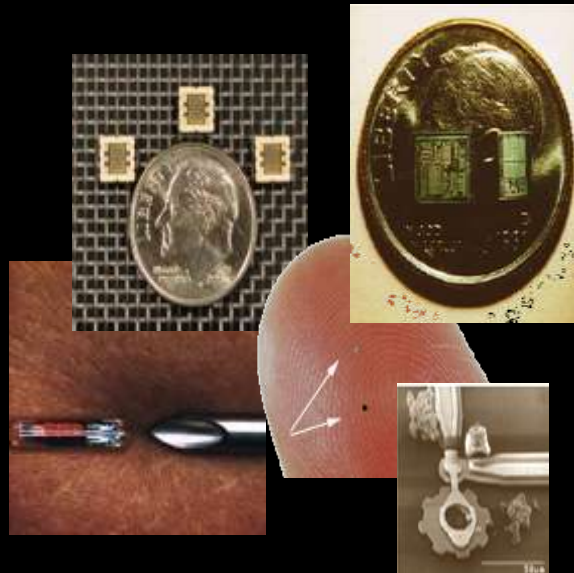
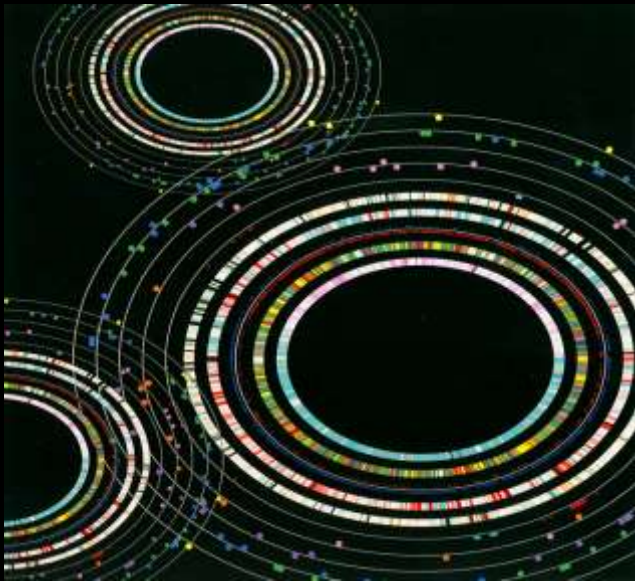
- **both exemplar and a catalyst to expand use-inspired, cross-disciplinary research more broadly at ASU**
- **leveraging Biodesign's success to launch additional research initiatives in which ASU can achieve worldclass status**
 - **focus on nascent, emerging areas arising from the 'convergence' of previously distinct research domains**
- **draw upon substantial but dispersed expertise at ASU**

Initial Research Areas for CASI

Synthetic Biology

Ubiquitous Sensing

CAS Modeling and Simulation



- **Engineering of Biological Networks**

- **Remote Monitoring for Healthcare and Environmental Sustainability**

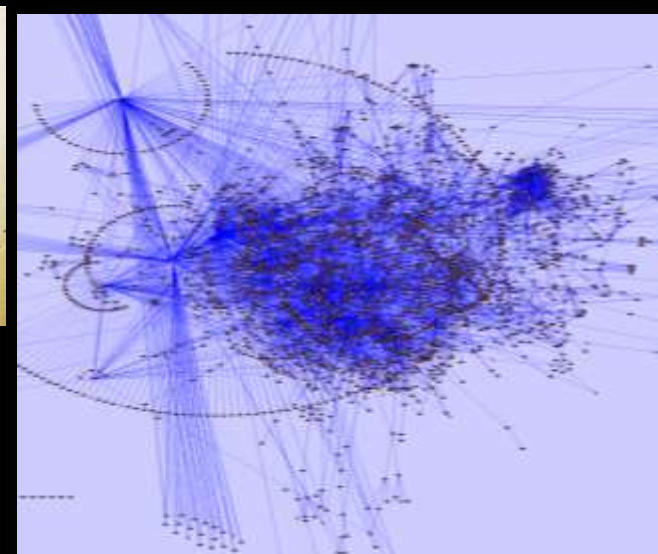
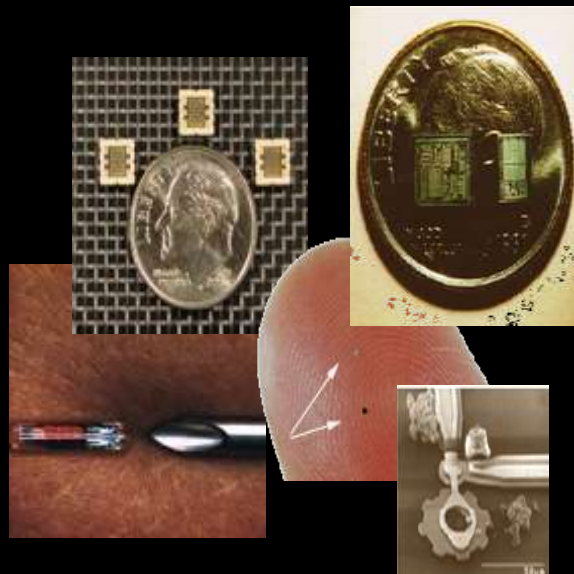
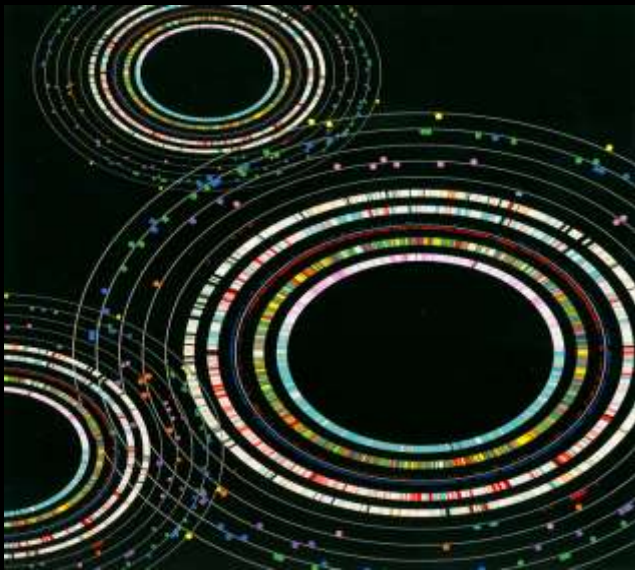
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A New Industrial Ecology

Early Detection of Adverse Trends

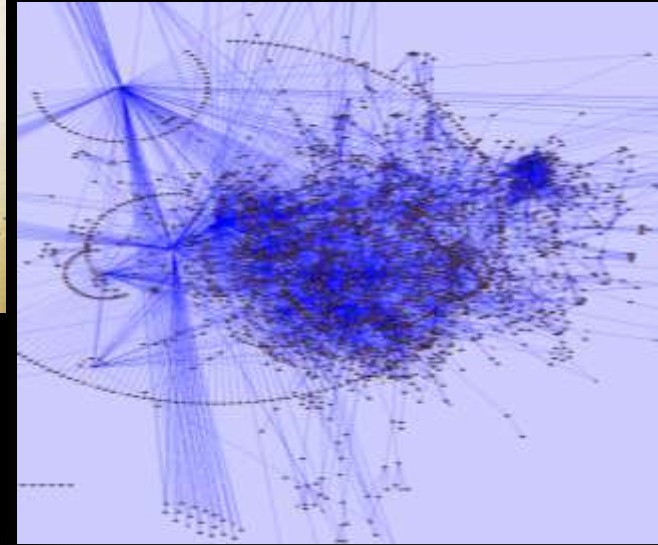
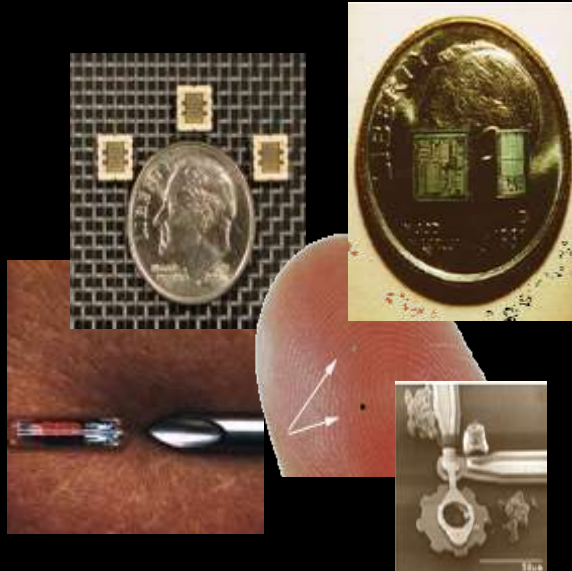
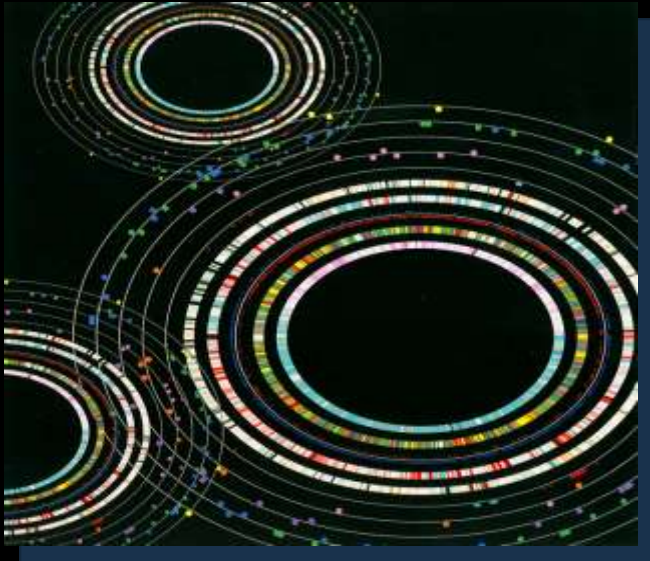
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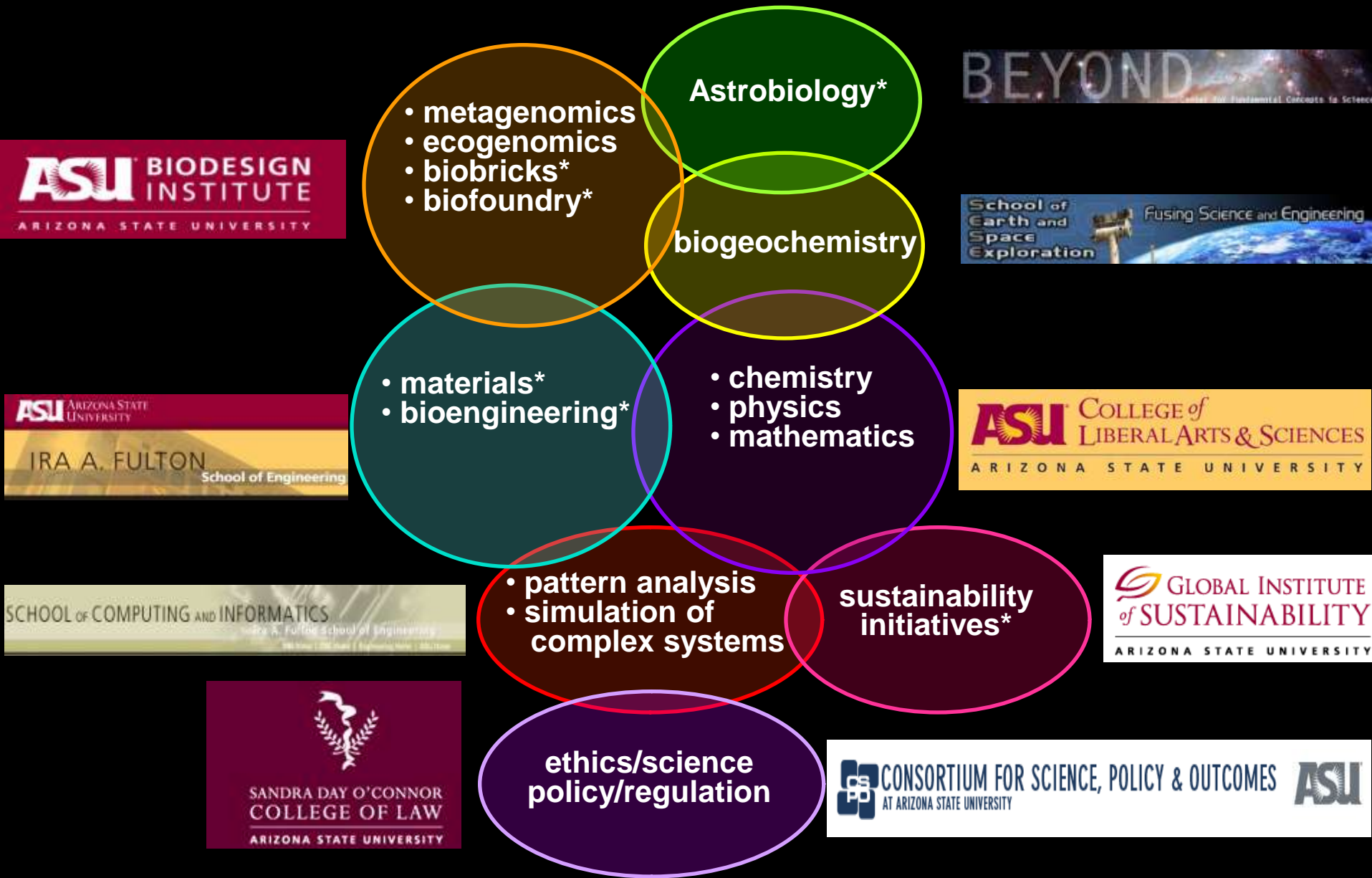
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Dual-Use Complexity

Science and Industrial Policy, Regulation and Oversight
Socio-Cultural, Ethical and Legal Implications

Meta-Planning for Synthetic Biology



* major opportunity for 3M collaboration(s)

Analysis, Modeling and Simulation of CAS: New Computing and Knowledge Management Challenges

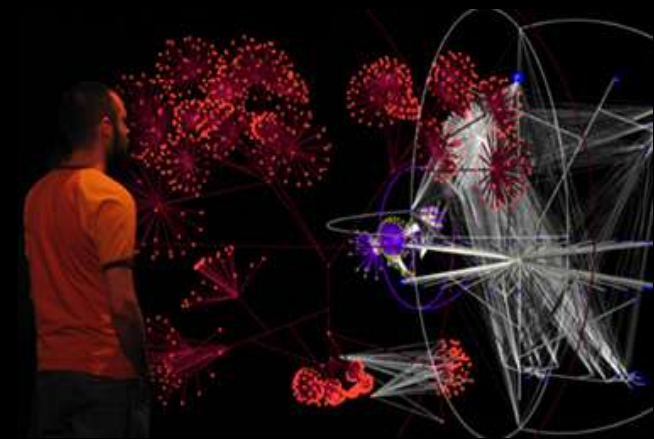
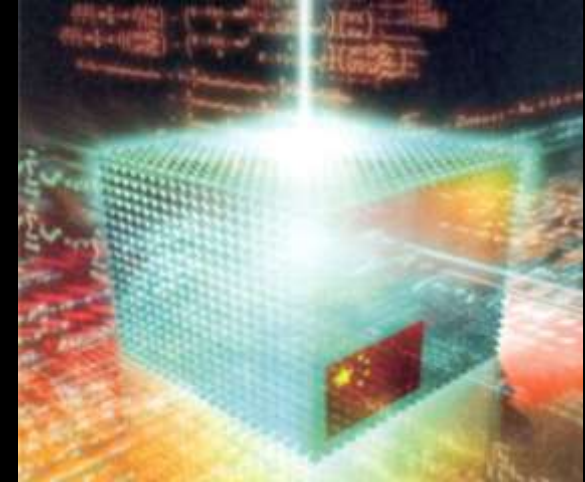
Volume



Global Networks



Integration



**Aorta: Always on, Real Time Access:
Interactive, Distributed and Customized**

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- **provide a strategic template for integration of diverse intellectual capabilities across ASU to achieve worldclass status in CAS research**
- **catalyst for ASU's new 'meta-planning' exercise to map future focus, resource needs and applications**
- **thematic signature for ASU research excellence**
- **networks of expertise versus dedicated "institute" infrastructure**
- **Biodesign as vital component of several CASI initiatives**

Ever Onward!

**Intellectual
“Grand Challenges”**

**Pragmatic
“Real World
Challenges”**

**Competency,
Courage and
Commitment
to
Engage Complex
Issues**

“Urgency”

“Focus and Resolve”

“Passion and Purpose”

Five Year Accomplishments

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