



Nanobubliny na grafenu

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Nanobubbles

Dimensions:

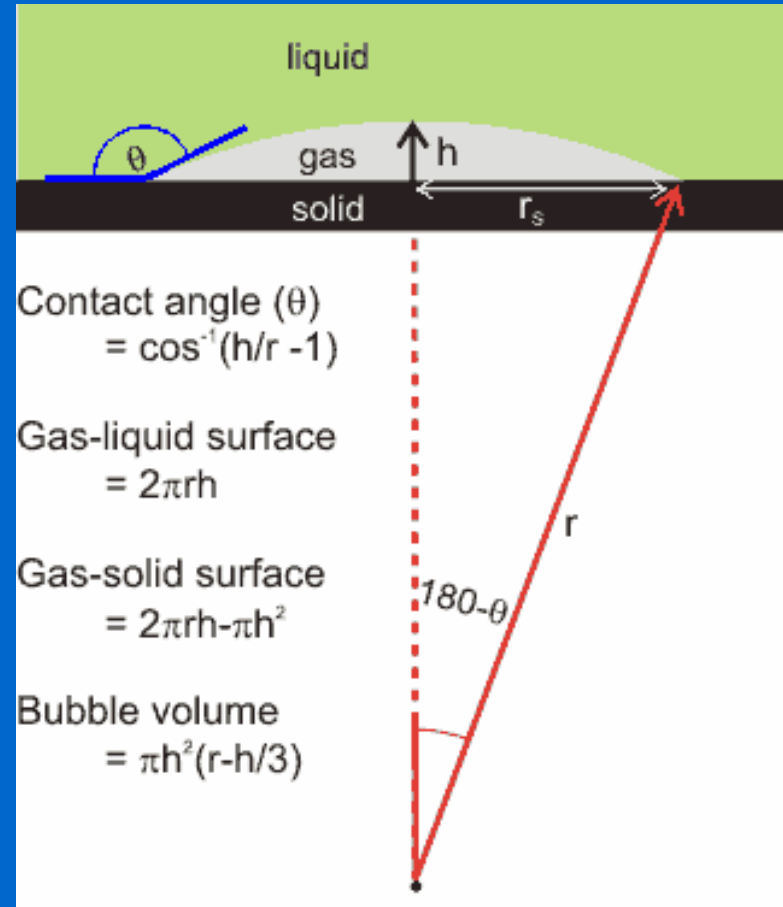
$r(\text{curvature}) = 50 \text{ nm} - 6 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$,

$r_{\text{surf}} = 10 - 1000 \text{ nm}$

$h = 2 - 20 \text{ nm}$

Contact angle $\theta = 135^\circ - 175^\circ$

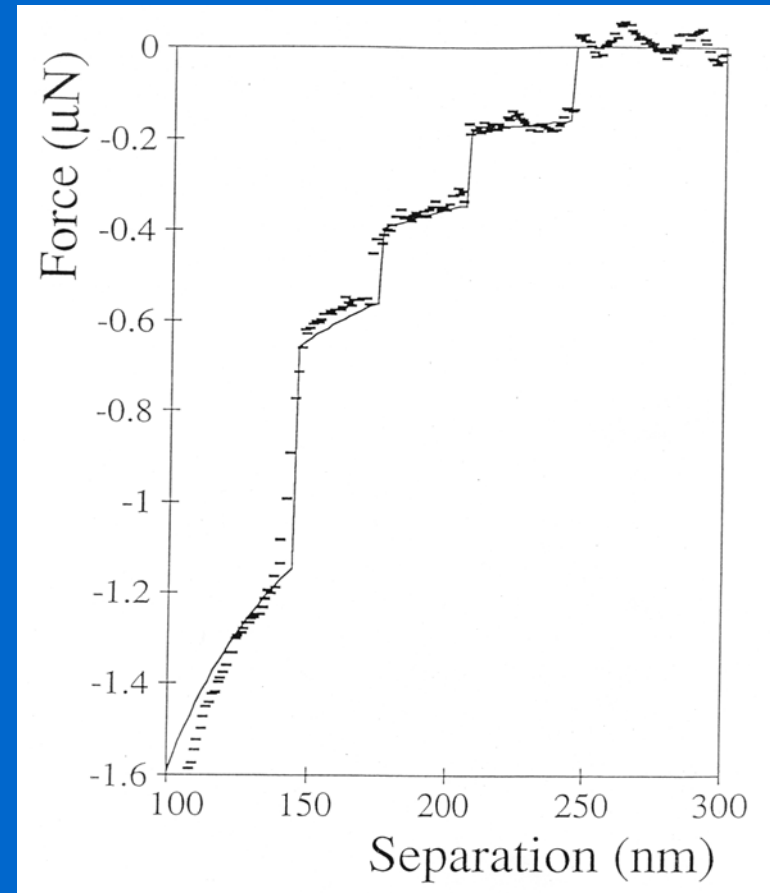
>> than expected from macroscopic studies



Nanobubble history

Long range ($>10^2$ nm) attractive forces between macroscopic hydrophobic surfaces in water

Discontinuities in the force at separations $\sim 10^2$ nm: bridging of bubbles between surfaces (P. Attard)



J. L. Parker, P. M. Claesson, P. Attard, *J. Phys. Chem.* **98**, 8468 (1994)

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Nanobubble formation/existence

Incomplete wetting of hydrophobic surfaces

(degassing does not prevent NB formation)

A.C. Simonsen et al. *Journal of Colloid and Interface Science* 273 (2004) 291–299

Gas dissolved in aqueous phase forms NB on surface nanostructures

H. Xue et al, *Langmuir*, 2006, 22 (19), 8109-8113

EC generation

L. Zhang et al, *Langmuir*, 2006, 22 (19), 8109-8113

Charged gas/liquid interface (counterbalancing surface tension)

(charge repulsion \times surface tension) \leq NB self organization as colloids

N. F. Bunkin et al., *Small-angle scattering of laser radiation by stable micron particles in twice-distilled water*
Quantum Electron. 35 (2005) 180-184

High density of inner NB gas

Z. LiJuan et al.: *Sci China G-Phys Mech Astron* (2008) 51, 219-224

Balancing outflux gas by influx at NB contact line

M. P. Brenner, Mezger et al., *J. Chem. Phys.* 128, 244705 (2008)

Nanobubble properties

Formed on hydrophobic/hydrophilic interface

May contain highly soluble/reactive gasses: ozone, CO₂

Lifetime ~ hours/days

Rapidly reformed when disturbed

Nanoindentations formed on soft hydrophobic surfaces (PS)

NB length ~ mean-free-path of gas molecules inside the bubble.

(=> validity?? Young-Laplace eq. for Δp)

Young-Laplace (nm-scale validity?)

$$\Delta p = 2\gamma / r_s$$

r_s ...NB radius

γ ...surface tension

Δp ... inside-outside pressure difference

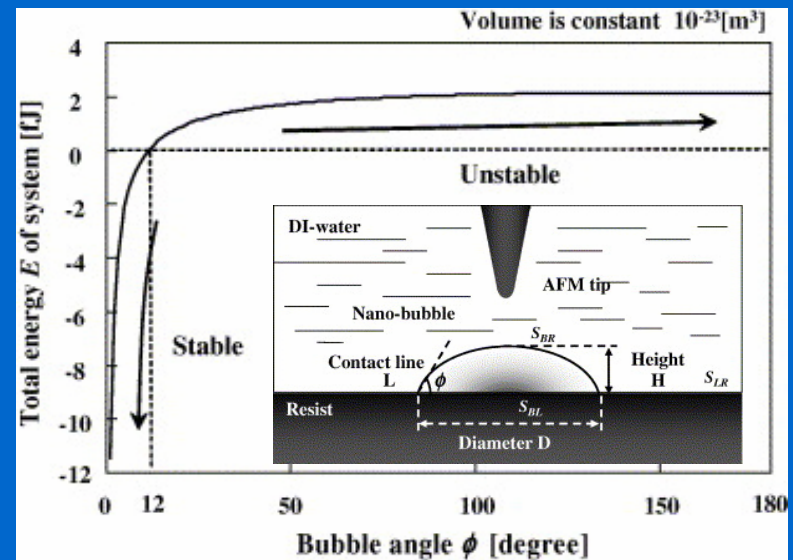
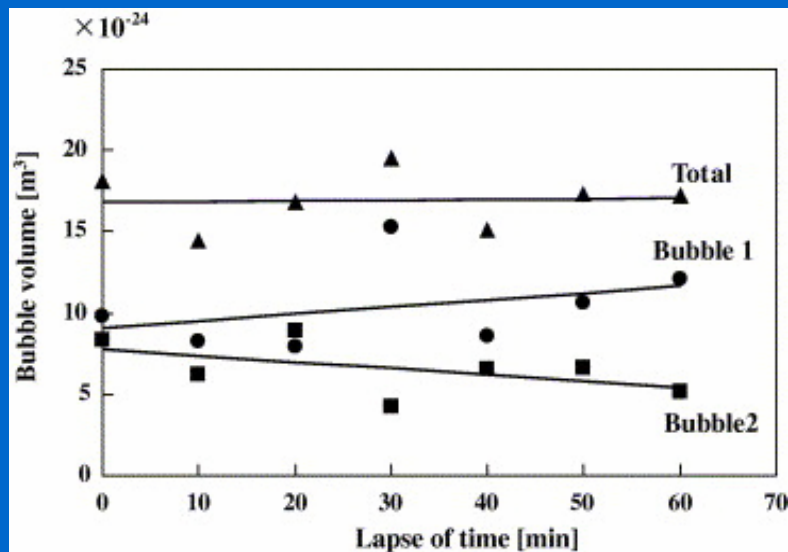
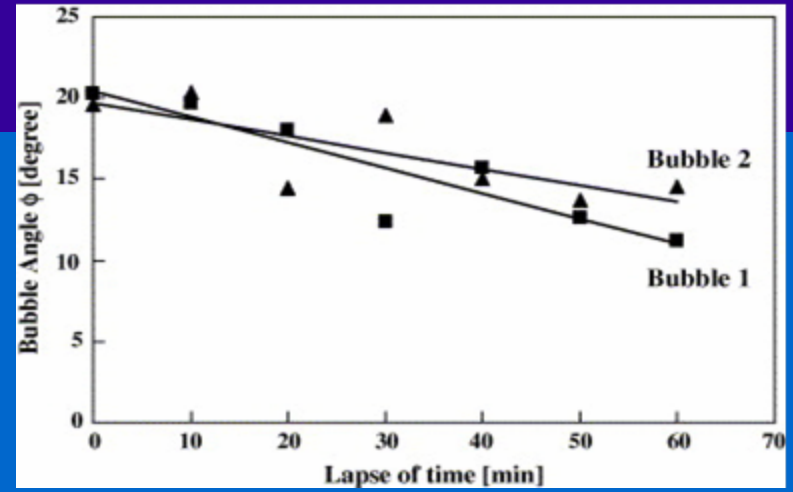
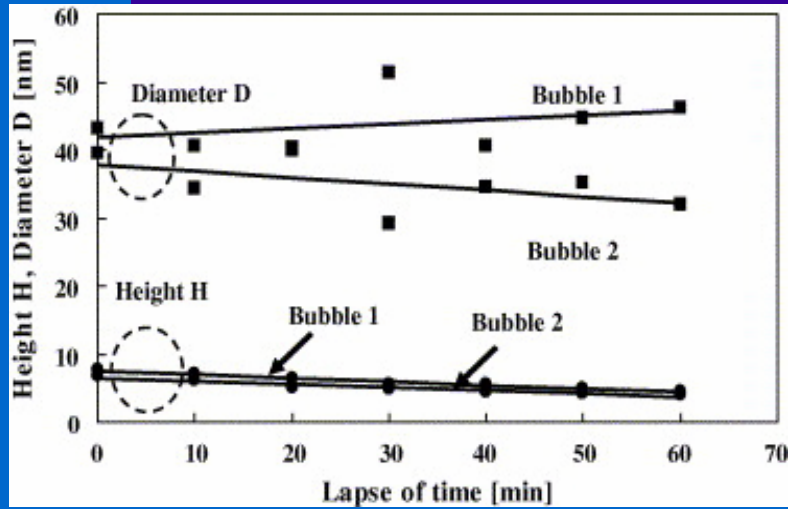
=> high internal pressure => **dissolution**

Contact angle

$$\theta_{\text{NB}} (\text{liq}) \gg \theta_{\text{MB}}$$

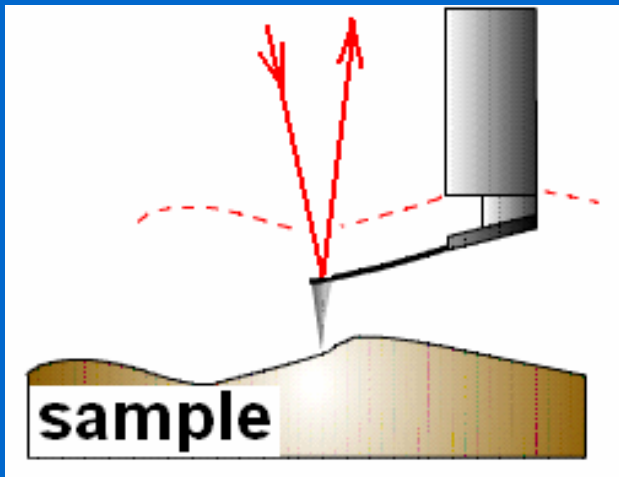
for $V = \text{const}$ $r_{\text{NB}} > r_{\text{MB}}$

Nanobubble properties



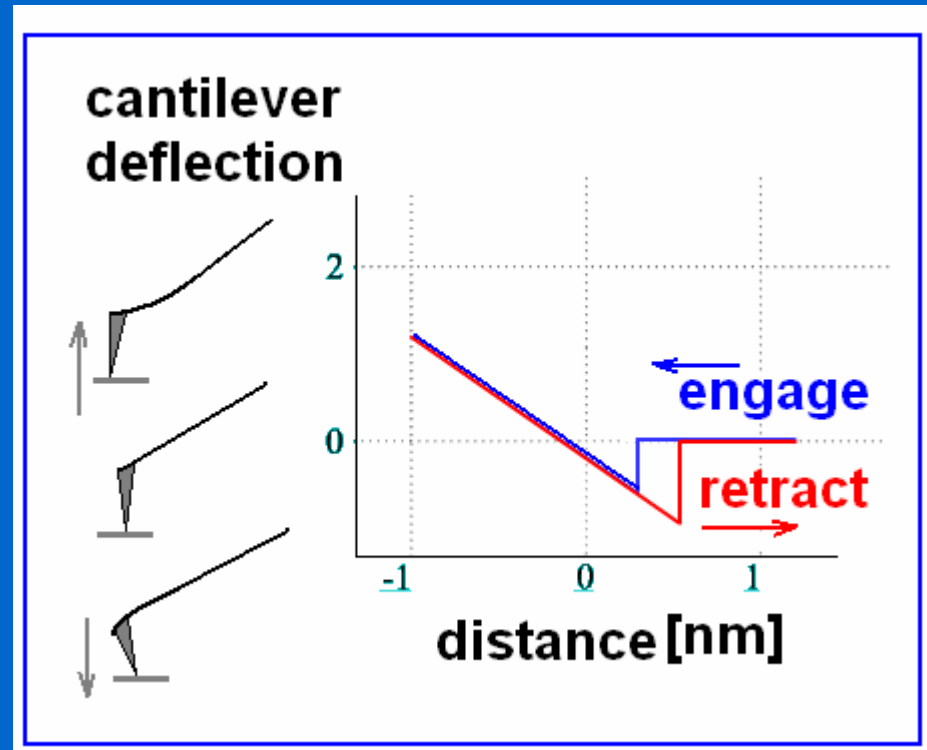
Akira Kawai, Kenta Suzuki: Removal mechanism of nano-bubble with AFM for immersion lithography, *Microelectronic Engineering* 83 (2006), 655-658

Nanobubble imaging: AFM contact mode

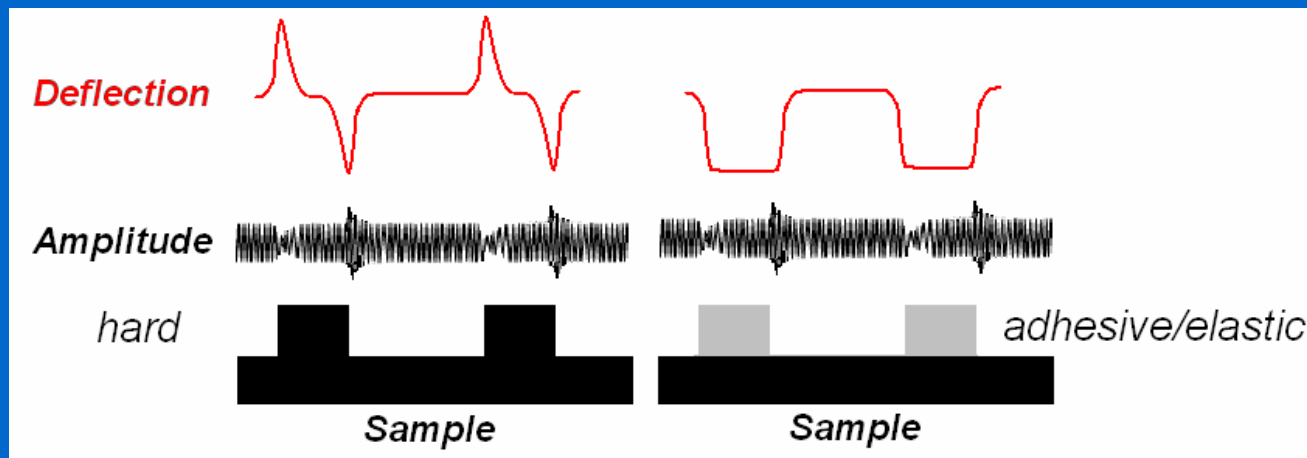
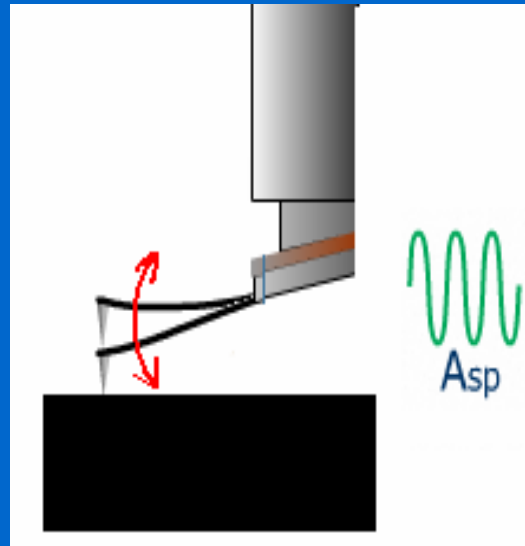


Hooke: $F = -k x$

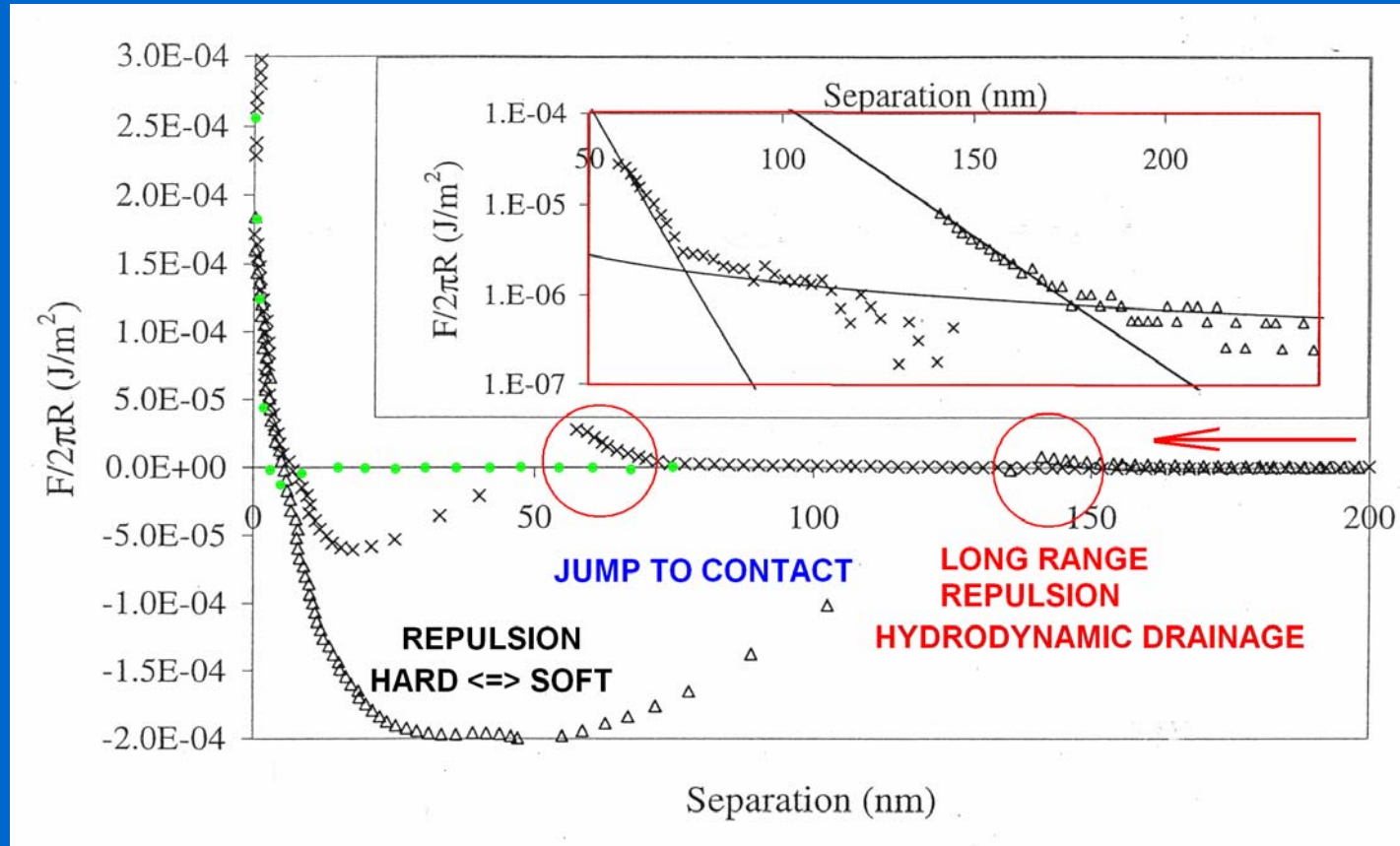
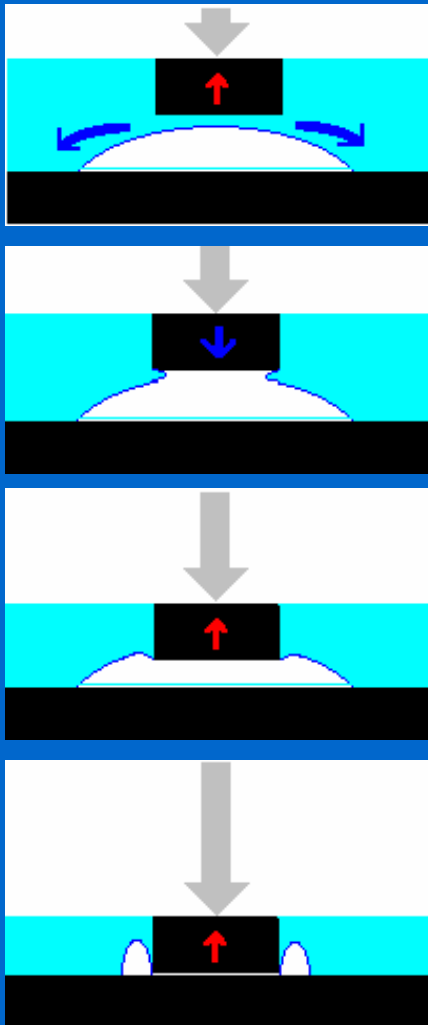
k ...spring const. 0.01-1 N/m



Nanobubble imaging: AFM semicontact mode (tapping)

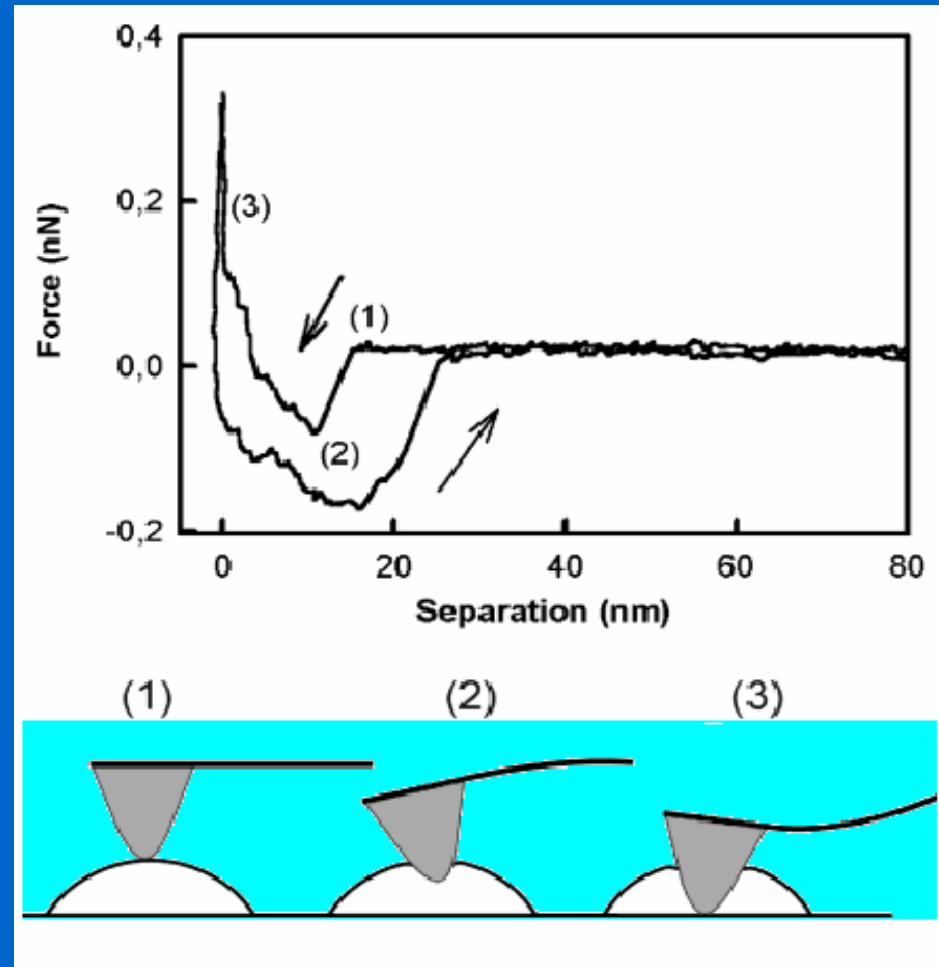


Nanobubble imaging: AFM force curve

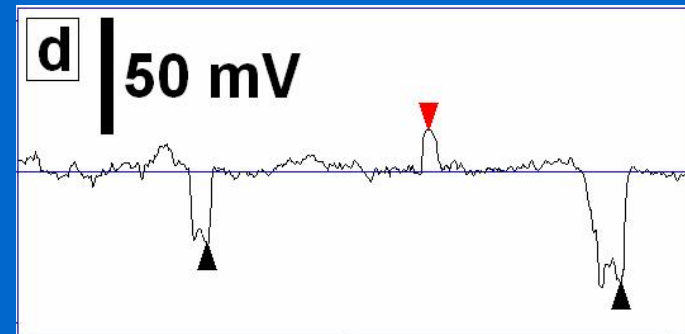
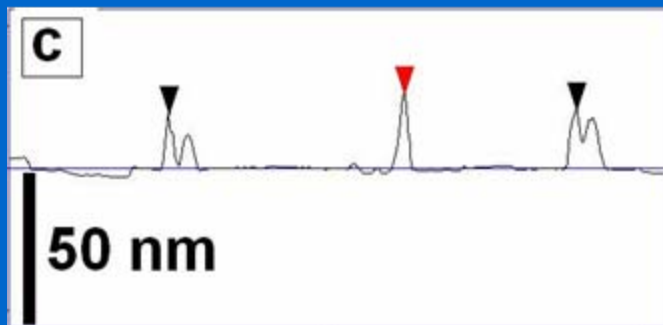
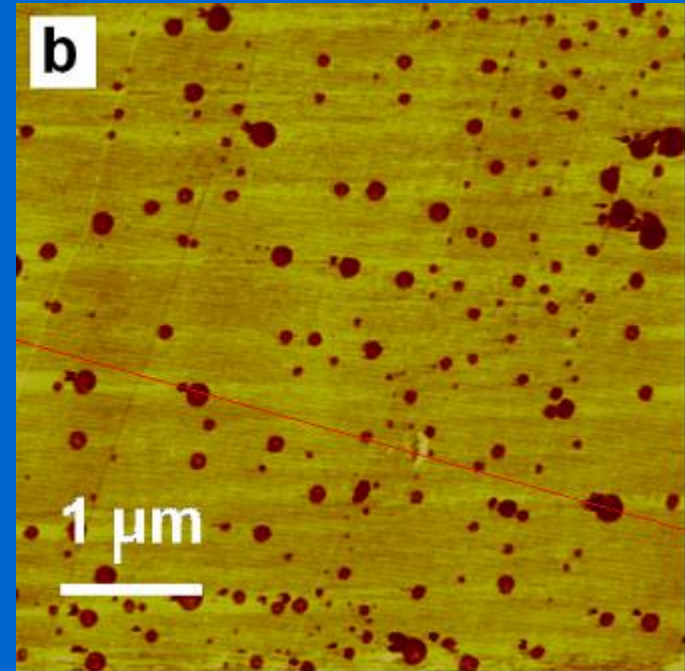
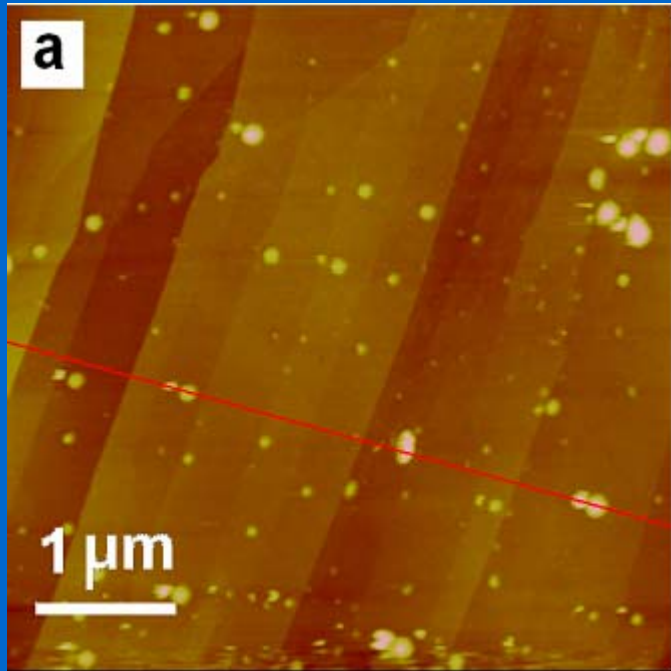


A. Carambassis, L. C. Jonker, P. Attard, and M. W. Rutland, Phys. Rev. Lett. 80, 5357-5360 (1998)

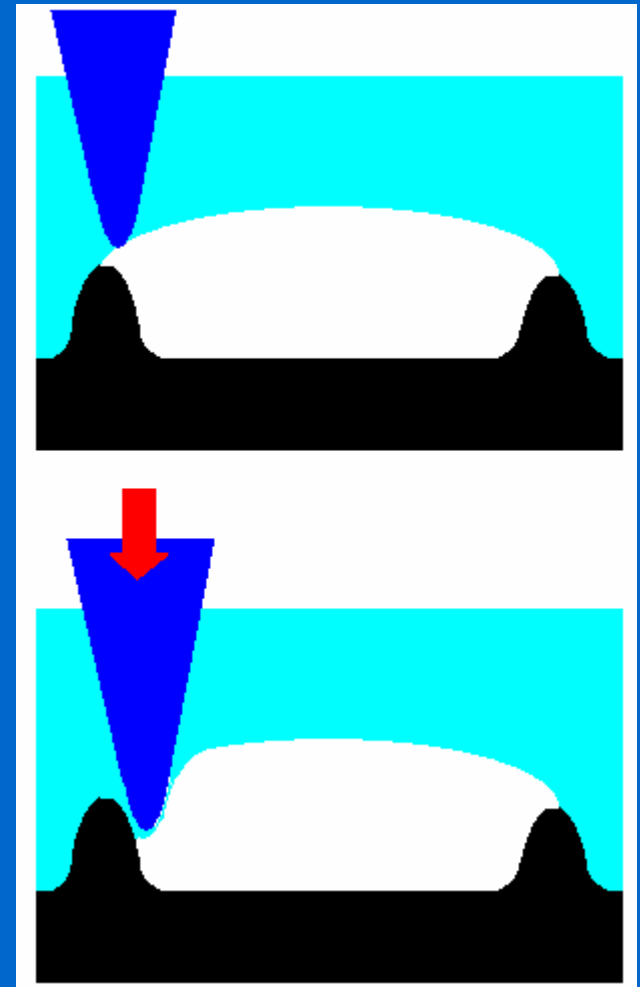
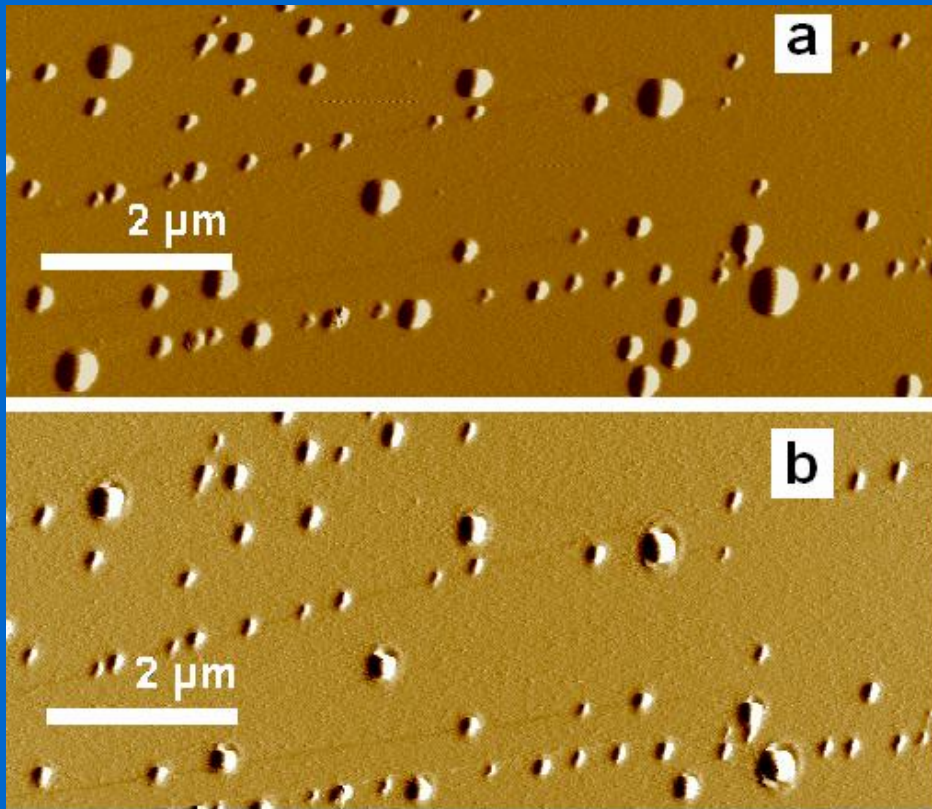
Nanobubble AFM imaging: Narrow parameter range



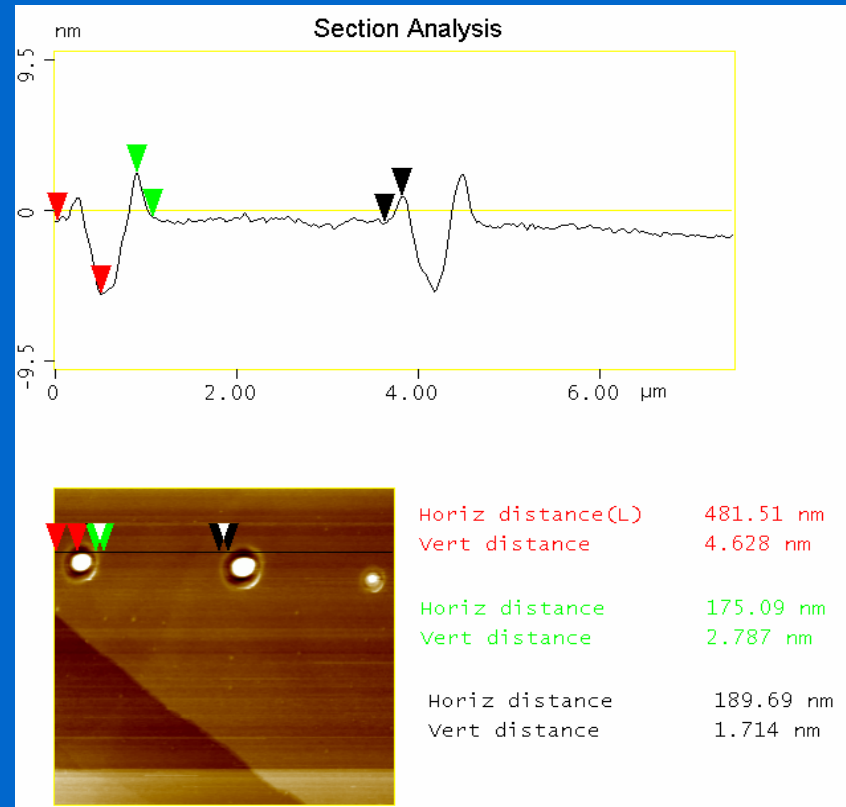
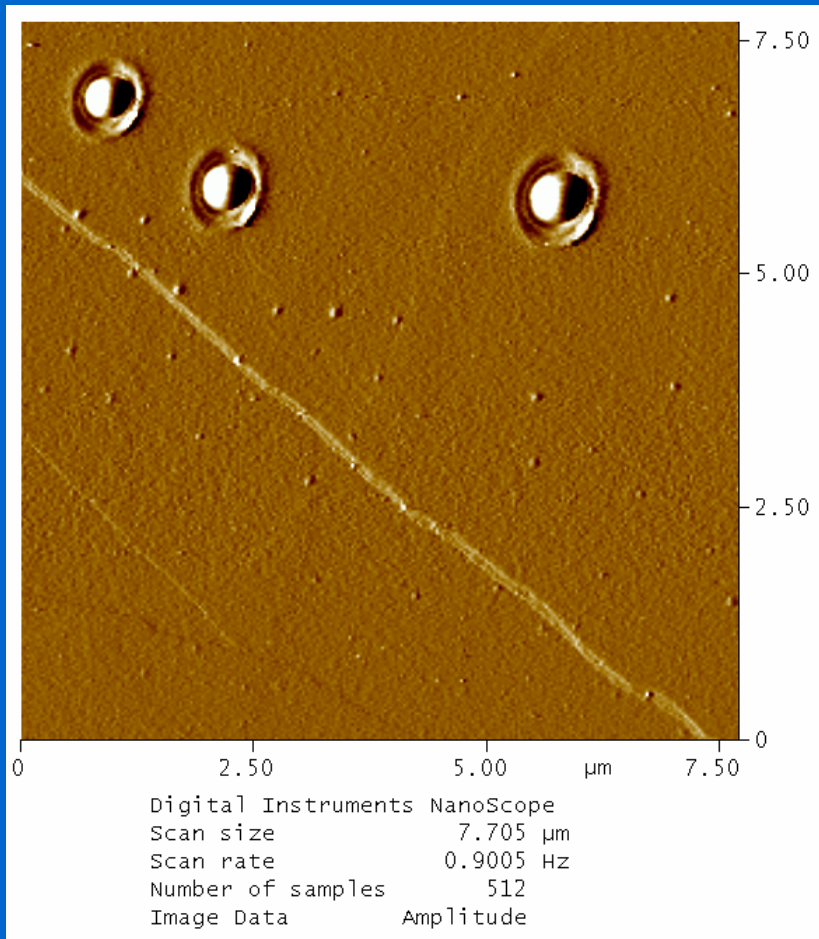
Nanobubble imaging: AFM tapping/deflection



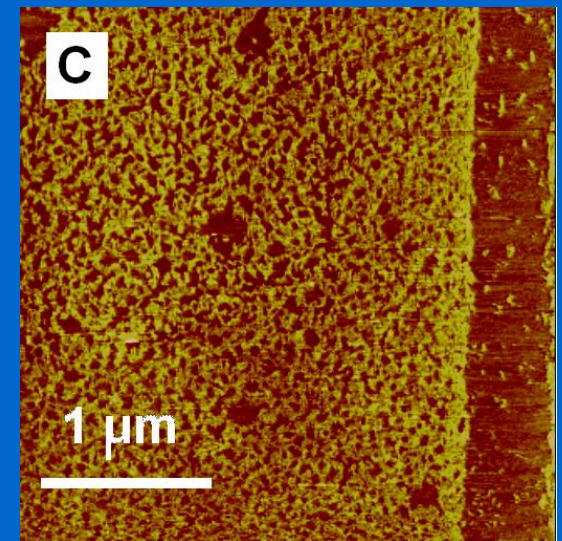
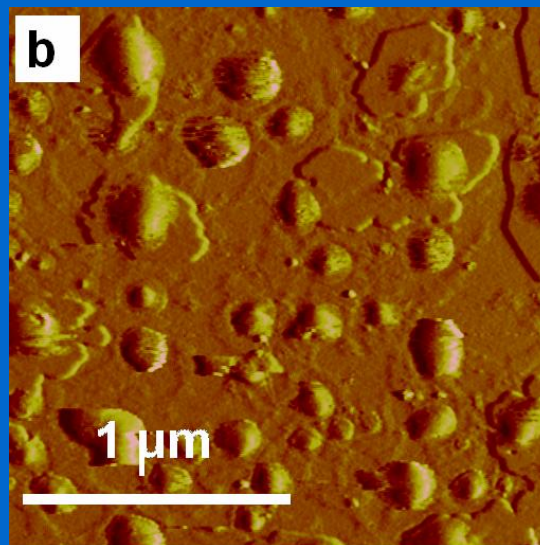
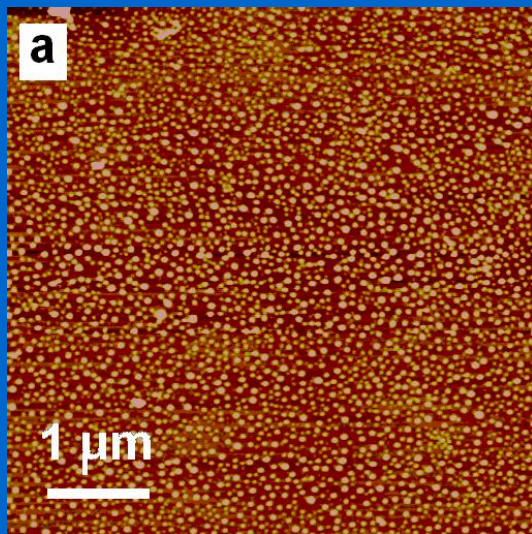
Nanobubbles on HOPG, compression: graphene erosion



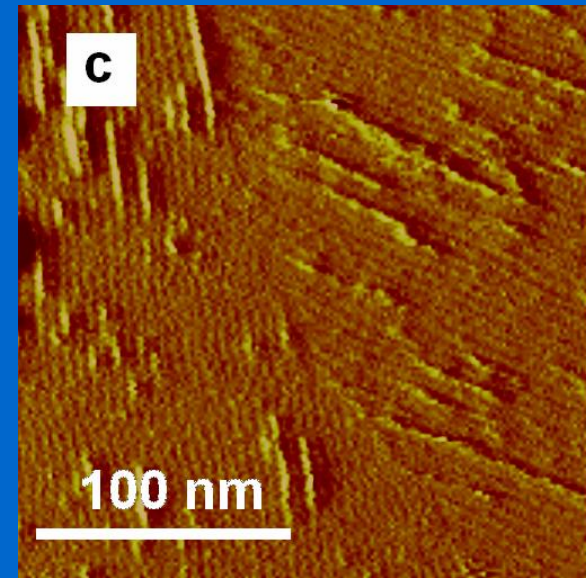
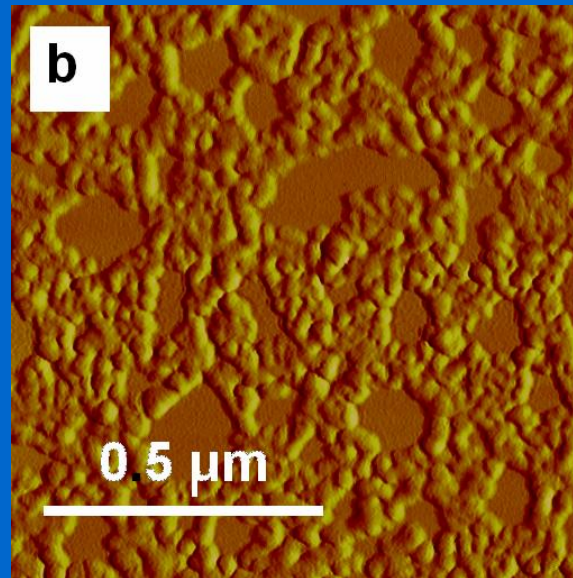
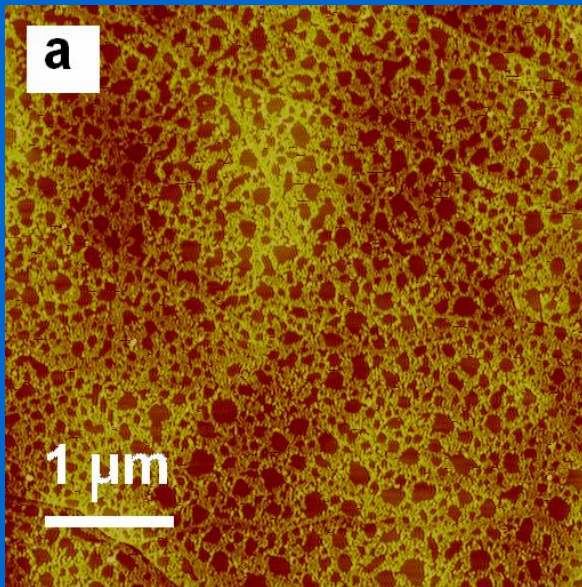
Nanobubble-assisted HOPG basal plane erosion *in situ* AFM imaging



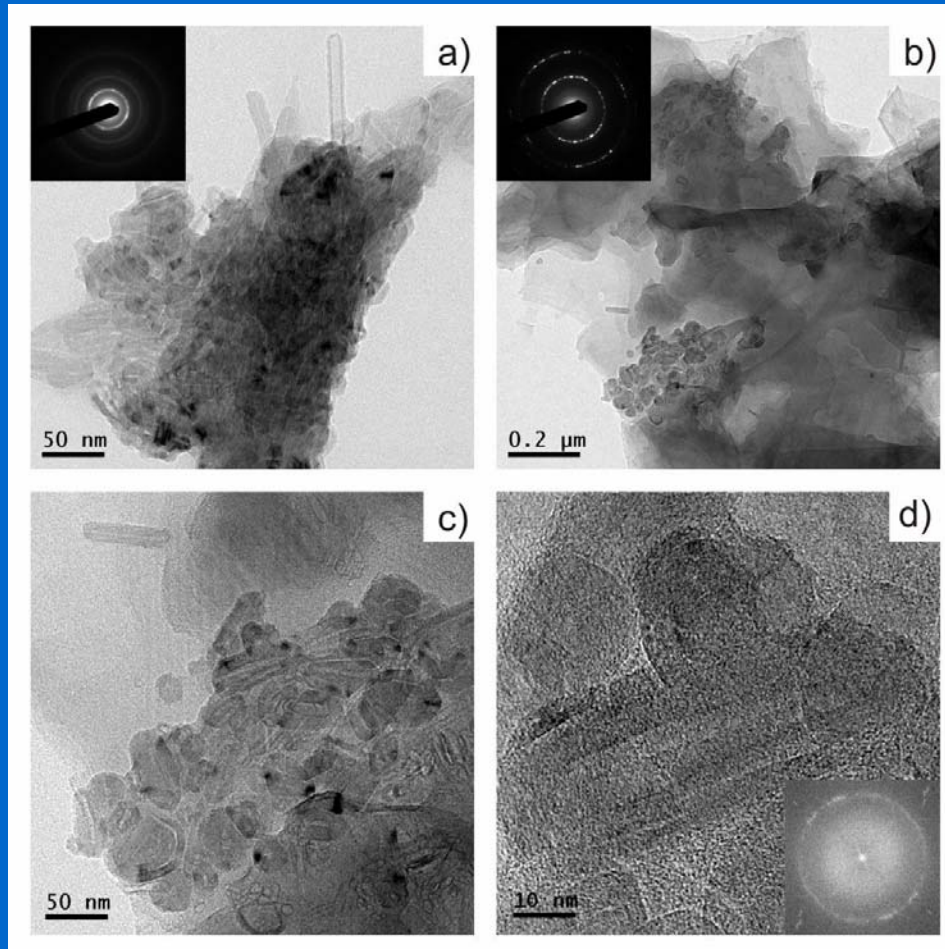
HOPG basal plane erosion in water: *in situ* AFM



HOPG basal plane erosion: *ex situ* AFM



HR TEM

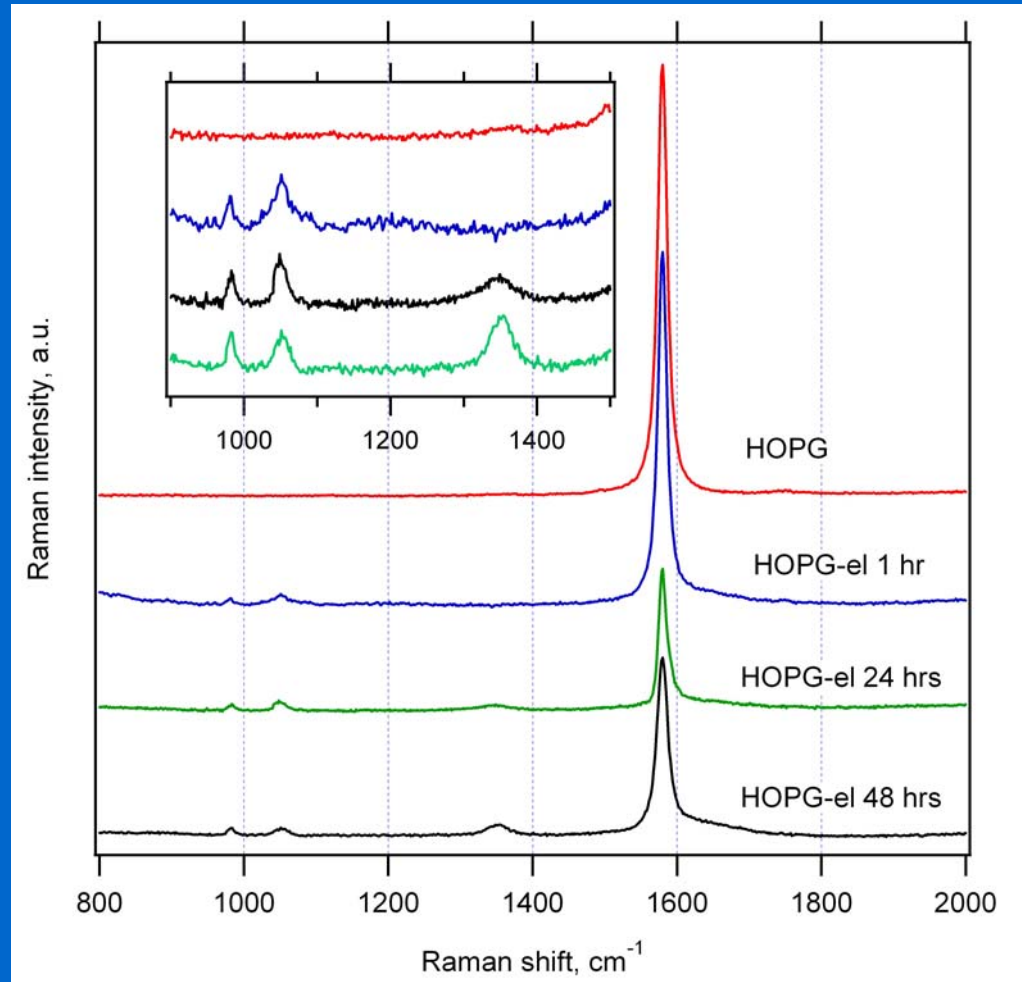


SAED (e-diffraction)
patterns \Leftrightarrow CNT-like
interlayer spacing

P. Janda, O. Frank, Z. Bast, M. Klementová, H. Tarábková, L. Kavan,
Nanotechnology 21 (2010) 095707

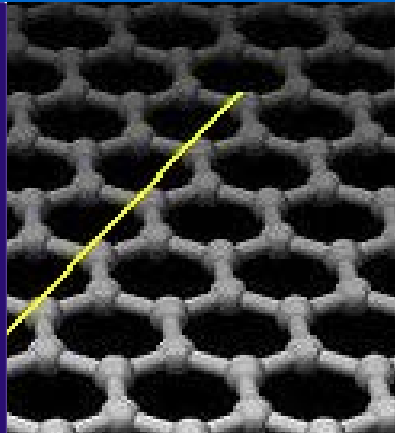
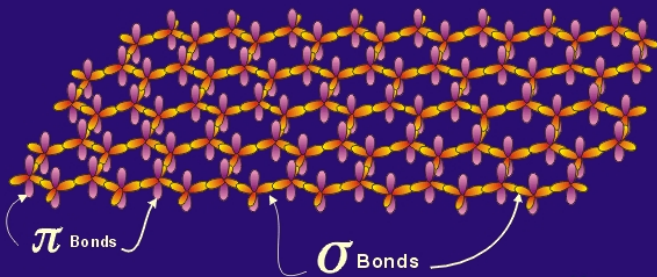
Raman spectroscopy *in situ*

HOPG basal plane
exposed to water
for 0 – 48 h
(defect D-band, G-band)

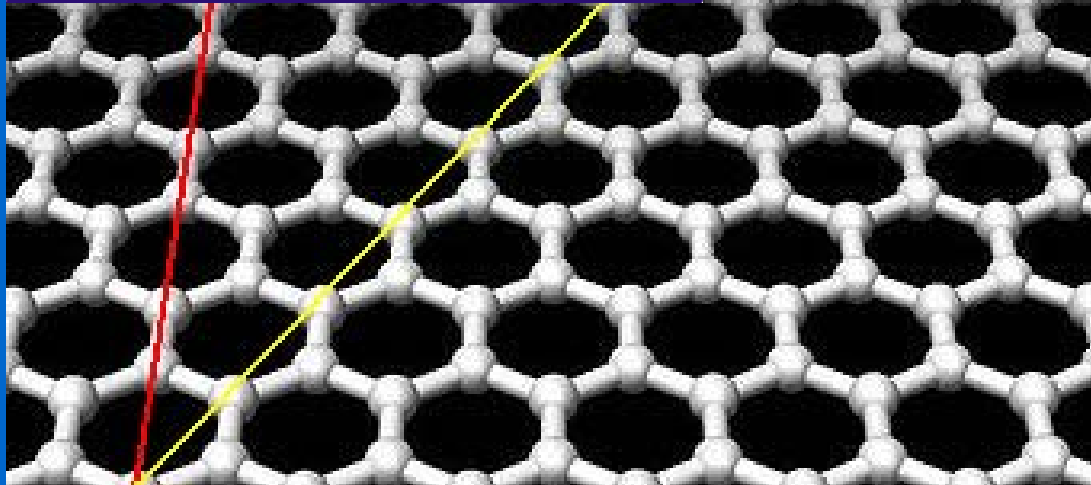
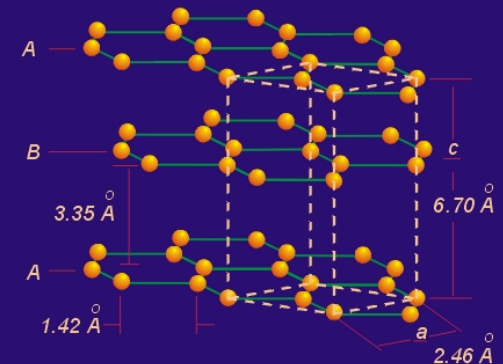


Graphene - the strongest 2D network structure known

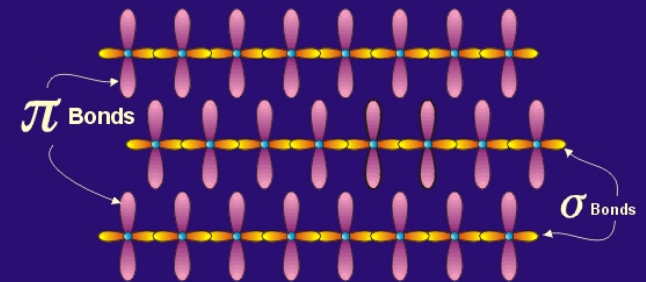
Schematic representation of overlapping Sigma Bonds in the sp^2 array of a single graphene layer.



The Structure Of Hexagonal Graphite



Schematic representation of Pi bonding parallel to the "a" plane of graphene layer



zig-zag armchair

Young's modulus (1-layer graphene defect free) ~ 1 TPa
Intrinsic strength $\sigma_{\text{graphite}} \sim 130$ GPa

graphene rolling

self-sustained curling after a critical overlap area is reached

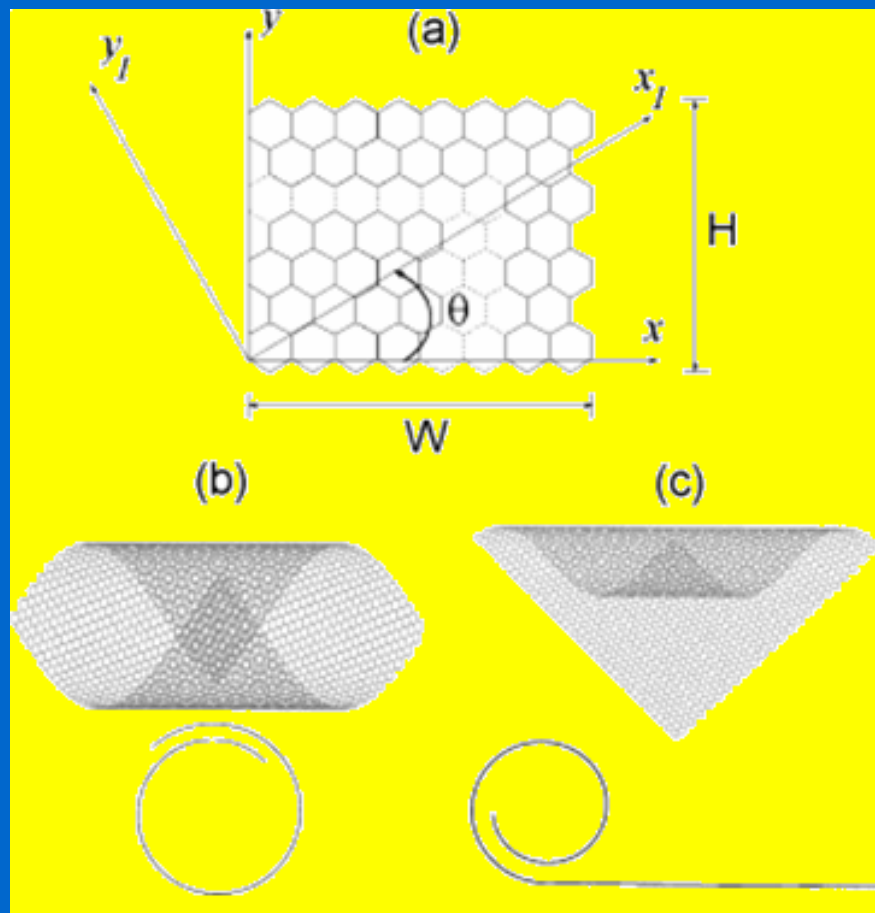
CNS $\min d_{in} \sim 2 \text{ nm}$

(conical \leftrightarrow metastable)

- initial sheet dimension

- orientation vs. rolling axis

- $\tau_{\text{rolling}} \sim \text{psec}$



Scheila F. Braga, Vitor R. Coluci, Sergio B. Legoas, Ronaldo Giro,
Douglas S. Galvão and Ray H. Baughman: Structure and Dynamics of Carbon
Nanoscrolls, Nano Letters (2004), Vol. 4, No. 5, 881-884

graphene rolling

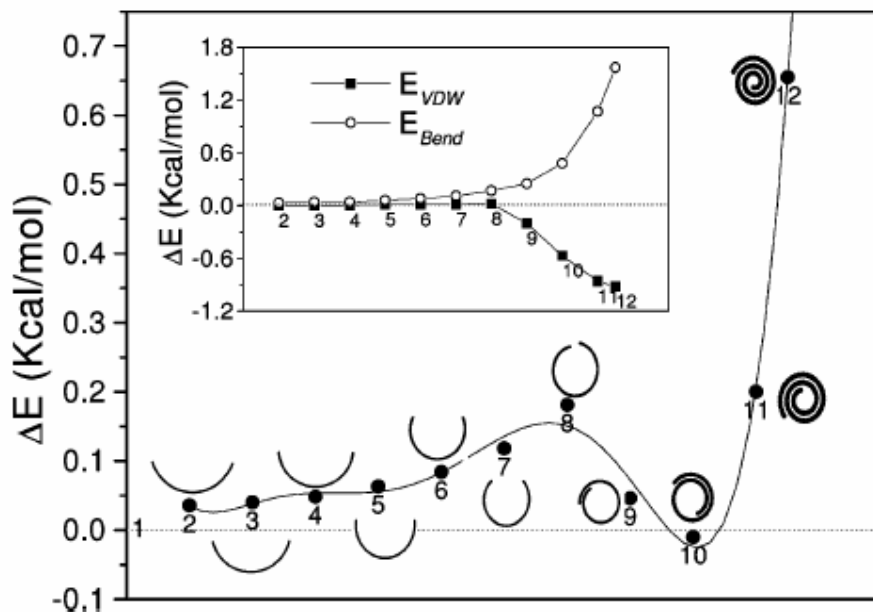
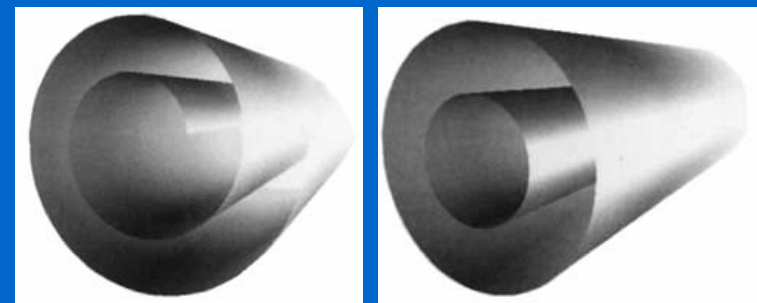
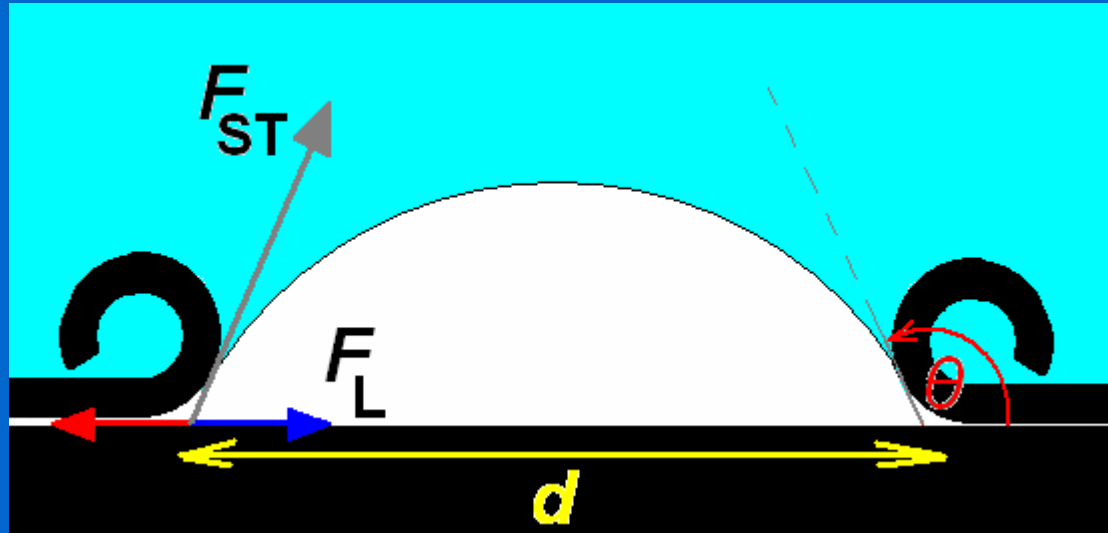


Figure 2. Change in total energy (relative to an undistorted graphene sheet) during the wrapping of a single graphite sheet to make a CNS. The torsion plus inversion (E_{Bend}) and van der Waals energies (E_{vdW}) are shown in the inset graph.



CNS precursor for MWCNT?

Nanobubble-triggered (multi)layer graphene tearing/rolling



NB-perimeter induced tensile stress* $\sigma = F_L / \pi d_{\text{NB}} h_{\text{layer}} \sim 10^1 \text{ MPa}$ ($h = 3 \text{ nm}$)

**Young's modulus (1-layer graphene defect free) $\sim 1 \text{ TPa}$

** Intrinsic strength $\sigma_{\text{graphite}} \sim 130 \text{ GPa}$

*Y. Wang *et al.*: *Nanotechnology* 20 (2009) 045301

**J. Hone *et al.*: *Science* 321 (2008), 385

Fields affected by nanobubbles

- * Liquid Immersion Lithography using water as fluid
- * Light Scattering
- * Adsorption and wetting properties (surface blocking)
- * Electrode blocking (electrolytic processes)
- * Defects/Surface rearrangement: Erosion of hydrophobic surfaces in water
- * Nanoparticle/nanobubble mismatch (AFM *in situ*)
- * Increased friction forces between hydrophobic surfaces in water (increased adhesion)

Fields affected by nanobubbles

- * Facilitation of liquid flow in hydrophobic capillaries – lowered hydrodynamic drag (liquid transport in pipes, water transport, medicine)
- * Fast folding of proteins and assembly
- * Drug delivery vesicle (nanomedicine)
- * Long lasting disinfection vesicle
(*ozone 2 mgL^{-1} : mB: $\Rightarrow 0.1 \text{ mgL}^{-1}/\text{h}$, nB: $>1 \text{ mgL}^{-1}/10^3 \text{h}$)
- * Nanoparticle/colloid-nanobubble interaction (flotation processes)
- * Challenges for established notions of macroscopic thermodynamics

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*Hydrophobic surfaces are more like a fluid than a solid interface due to their covering by nanobubbles,
- consequently they exhibit much less hydrodynamic drag.
The flow in narrow hydrophobic capillaries greater than predicted (by stick boundary conditions)
can now be explained as due to a covering of the nanobubbles.*

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