# **Biomaterials Engineering**

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### Phage provide architecture for SWNTs



SWNTs have different amounts of metallic and semiconducting materials on them which can short circuit electron paths

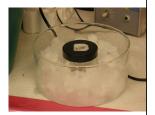
To optimize electron collection: vary ratio of SWNTs:phage

- Solvent exposed surface for TiO2
- Unbundle SWNTs

Image from MIT news

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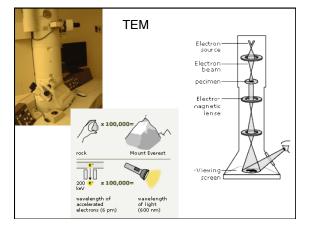
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**OSHA** Hazards Combustible Liquid, Irritant

GHS Classification Flammable liquids (Category 3) Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3) Skin irritation (Category 3) Eye irritation (Category 2A)

Danger



## TEM grid + harvest



- 1. Vortex your samples
- 2. Retrieve grid with tweezers hold EDGE of grid!
- look for # under microscope
- 3. Place 5ul of nanocomposite onto grid
- 4. 5' then wick away any moisture
- 5. Wash with 100% EtOH (30" + wick) 6. Wash with H2O (30" + wick)
- 7. Harvest remaining materials 3K, 10'supernatant to chem waste

  - · wash with H2O
  - · Spin and decant sup to waste

DONE! (have a great T-day!!)