

# The Semiconductor Industry's Nanoelectronics Research Initiative

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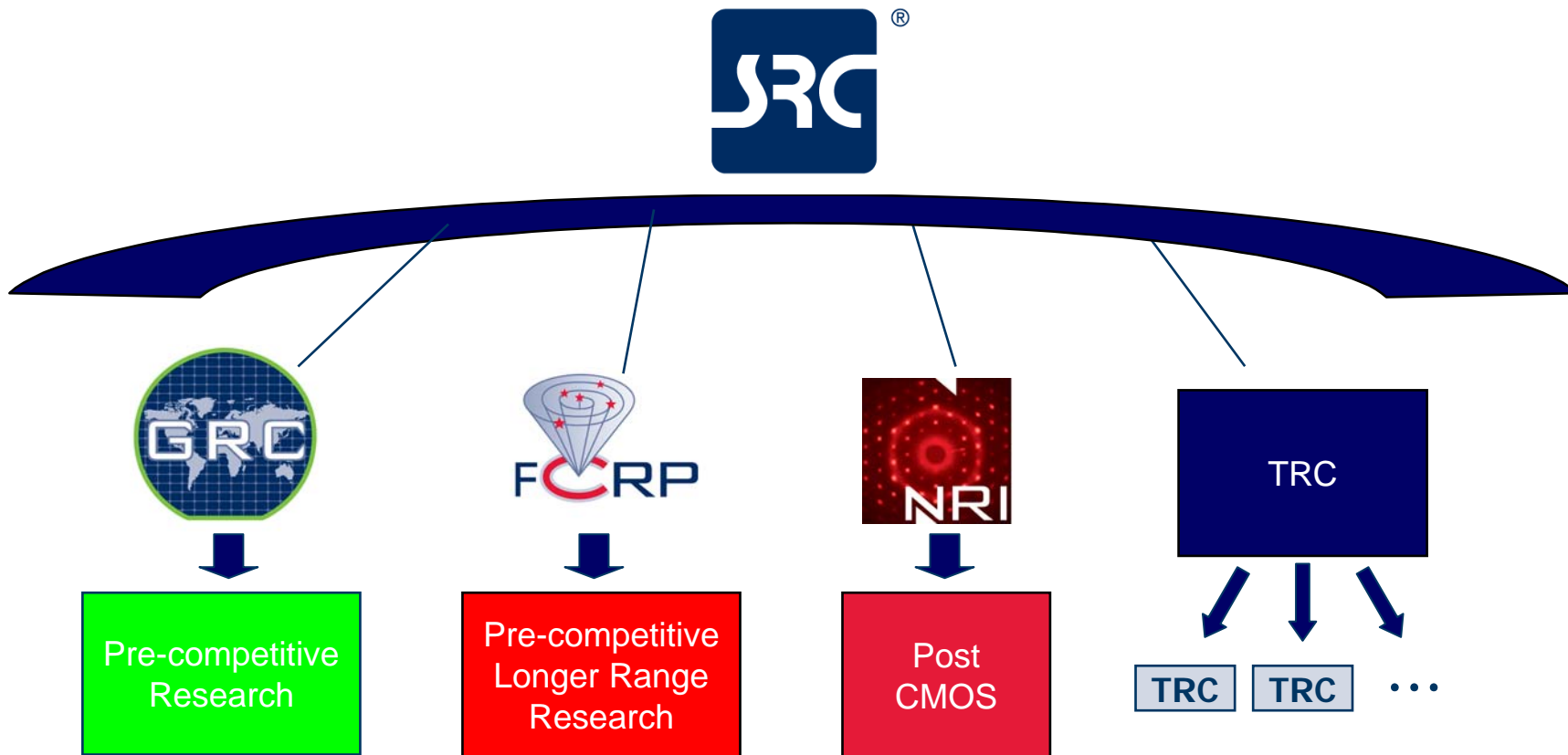
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# NRI Milestones



- 2001-2004: Defining Research Needs
  - ITRS-Emerging Research Device Technical Working Group
  - NSF-SRC Industry-Academia-Government Silicon Nanoelectronics and Beyond (SNB) Workshops
  - SIA Technology Strategy Committee workshops
  - *Defined 13 Research Vectors of primary importance for finding the next switch*
- March 2004:
  - SIA White Paper on Post-CMOS presented to SIA Board
  - SIA Board Resolution for formation of **NRI**
- March 2005:
  - Six Companies sign NRI Participation Agreement
    - **AMD, Freescale, IBM, Intel, Micron, TI**
  - **NERC** incorporated to manage NRI
  - Governing Council (GC) and Technical Programs Group (TPG) formed with one representative per participating company
- September 2005: First NRI and NSF Solicitations released
- January 2006: Research Programs started
- September 2007: NIST joins NRI



**GRC – Global Research Collaboration**

**FCRP – Focus Center Research Program**

**NRI – Nanoelectronics Research Initiative**

**TRC – Topical Research Collaboration**

- **NRI Mission: Demonstrate novel computing devices capable of replacing the CMOS FET as a logic switch in the 2020 timeframe.**
  - These devices should **show significant advantage over ultimate FETs** in power, performance, density, and/or cost to enable the semiconductor industry to extend the historical cost and performance trends for information technology.
  - To meet these goals, NRI is **focused primarily on research on devices** utilizing new computational state variables beyond electronic charge. In addition, NRI is interested in **new interconnect** technologies and novel circuits and architectures, including **non-equilibrium systems**, for exploiting these devices, as well as improved **nanoscale thermal management** and **novel materials and fabrication methods** for these structures and circuits.
  - Finally, it is desirable that these technologies be **capable of integrating with CMOS**, to allow exploitation of their potentially complementary functionality in heterogeneous systems and to enable a smooth transition to a new scaling path.

- Computational State Vector other than Electronic Charge  
(e.g. “bits” represented by spins)
  - New scaling path
- Non-equilibrium Systems
  - Lower power, less heat
- Novel Data Transfer Mechanisms
  - Overcome RC limits
- Nanoscale Thermal Management
  - Cooler operation, manage power density
- Directed Self-assembly of such structures
  - Less variability, higher density, more reliable, lower cost

➤ **Strong Focus in NRI on the first Research Vector**



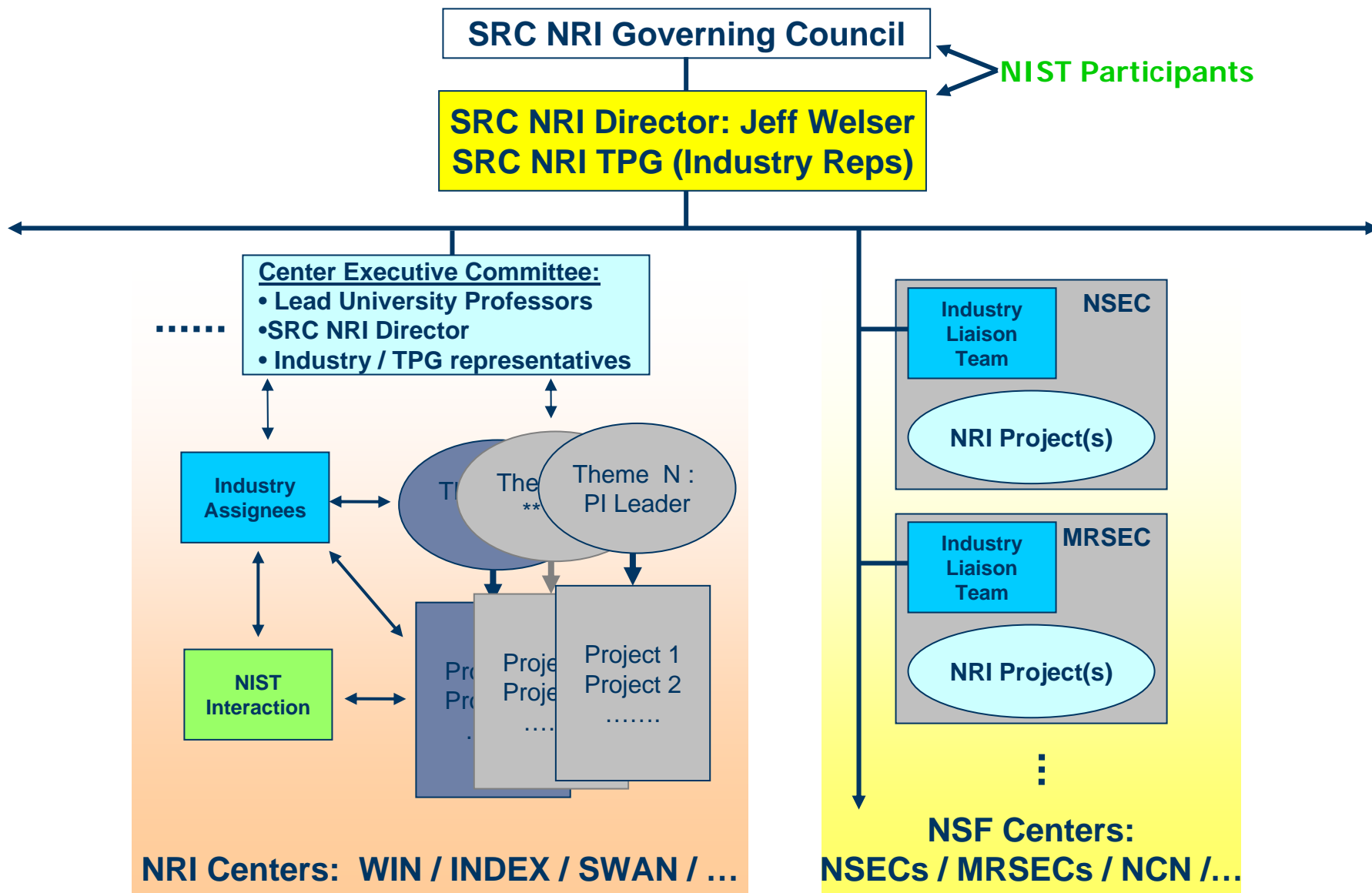
# NRI Sponsored Research Programs



- Leveraging industry, university, and both state & fed government funds, and driving university nanoelectronics infrastructure



<b>WIN</b> Western Institute of Nanoelectronics	<b>INDEX</b> Institute for Nanoelectronics Discovery & Exploration	<b>SWAN</b> SouthWest Academy for Nanoelectronics	<b>NSF NSEC / MRSEC /NCN</b> Supplemental Funding
<b>UCLA</b> , UCSB, Berkeley, Stanford	<b>SUNY-Albany</b> , GIT, Harvard, MIT, Purdue, RPI, Yale	<b>UT-Austin</b> , UT-Dallas, TX A&M, Rice, ASU, Notre Dame, U of MD	Funding 12 projects at 10 NSF centers
Theme 1: Spin devices Theme 2: Spin circuits Theme 3: Benchmarks & metrics	Task I: Novel state-variable devices Task II: Fab & Self-assembly Task III: Modeling & Arch Task IV: Theory & Sim Task V: Roadmap	Task 1: Logic devices with new state-variables Task 2: Materials & structs Task 3: Self-assembly & thermal mgmt Task 4: Interconnect & Arch Task 5: Nanoscale characterization	Broad work on various topics – also leverages other work in the centers



## 25 Universities

UC Berkeley

Stanford

UC Santa Barbara

UC Los Angeles



U Neb (Lincoln/Omaha)

Notre Dame

Cornell

RPI

Columbia  
U Mass

MIT  
Harvard  
Yale

SUNY Albany



U of MD

U of Virginia

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SWAN

WIN

NSF-NRI

Arizona State

UT Austin

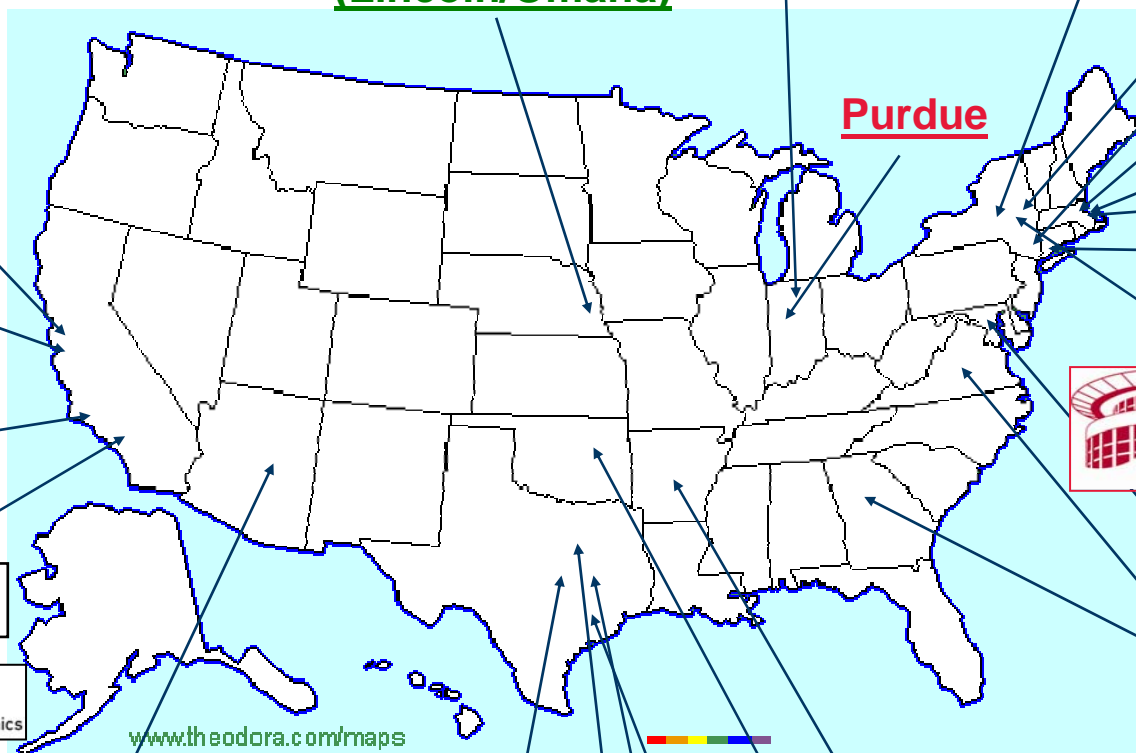


Rice

TX A&M  
UT Dallas

U of Arkansas

U of Oklahoma



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- Key challenge for NRI: Creating a directed, basic science research program
- Research results presented at first on-site annual reviews indicate strong progress already in three key areas to achieve this:
  - Studying new science phenomena with device potential
    - Several promising new effects shown (e.g. Pseudospintronics, BAMR)
  - Linking the scientists to the engineers, to insure research focus is on the key device issues
    - Even for new phenomena, presentations included topics like potential logic gate structure, prospects for room temperature operation, power dissipation, connecting devices, etc.
  - Linking work across groups / universities / centers to maximize progress
    - Modeling of the Spin Hall effect at Purdue to understand the experimental results from UCB
- Points to initial success in focusing the science towards switch technology
  - Getting the right information early, to direct research along most promising paths

THEME/Category

Focus

Task/Project

## Spin Devices

### Spin Wave Devices

- Gated Spin Wave Devices
- Spin wave devices
- Multiferroic based Spin logic
- Theoretical studies of SW switching and propagation

### Magnetic Quantum Dot Logic

- Controlling Magnetic Coupling and Switching in Chains of Magnetic Nanoparticles.
- Interaction of Magnetic QD with FET for low power logic

### Spin write devices

- High-Frequency Spin-Torque Devices
- Spin FET based on DMS nanowires
- Spin Hall Effect devices

### Spin read devices

- Spin devices based on nanowire CMOS structure
- Spin valves
- Iron silicide for Si-based spin electronics

## Device/Device Coupling & Interconnect

### Resonant Coupling

- Frequency-controlled spin coupling using superconducting resonators
- Cavity Control of Spin Interaction

### Spin Wave Bus

- Spin Wave interconnects

## Metrics and Benchmarks

### Fundamental limits of Spintronics

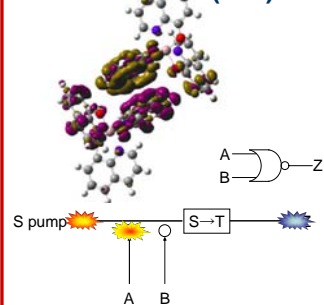
- Benchmarking and Criteria for Magnetic Logic Devices
- Metrics for New Switch concepts Evaluation

### Spintronics Performance Metrics

- Circuit Design and Performance Metrics for Spintronic

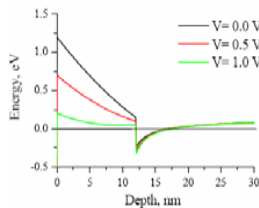
## Molecular Excitons Spintronics

Baldo et al (MIT)



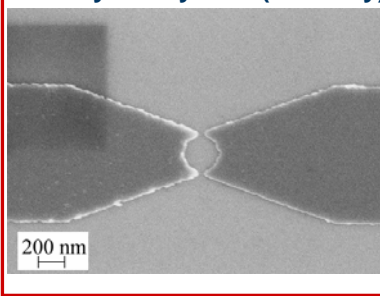
## Quantum Dot Modeling

Shur et al (RPI)



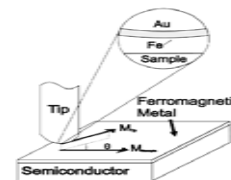
## Quantum Dot Devices

Oktyabrsky et al (UAlbany)



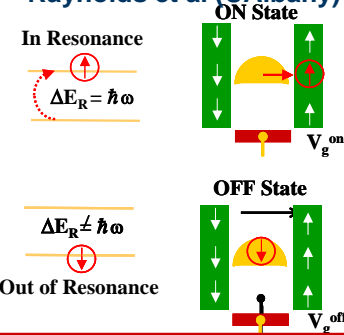
## Ballistic Spin Devices

Labella et al (UAlbany)



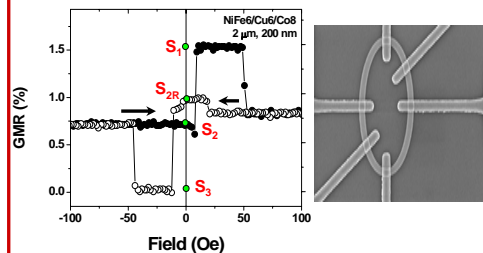
## Single Electron Spin Devices

Raynolds et al (UAlbany)



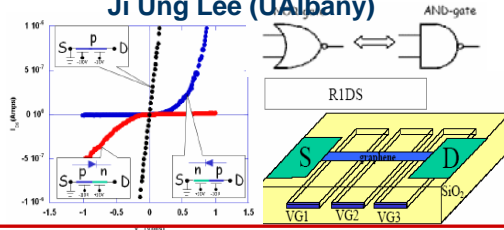
## Magnetoelectronic Devices

Multi bits logic Ross et al (MIT)



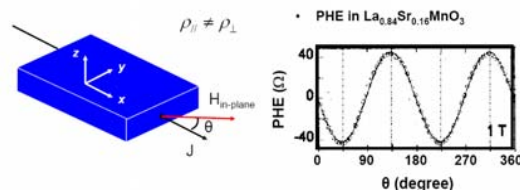
## Reconfigurable One-Dimensional (1D) Switch (RIDS)

Ji Ung Lee (UAlbany)



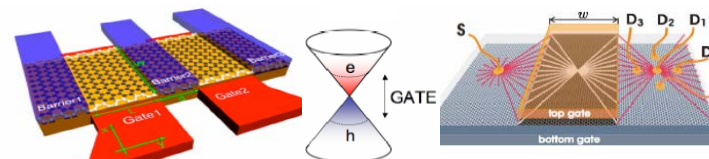
## Logical Switches based on Complex Oxides

Ahn et al (Yale)



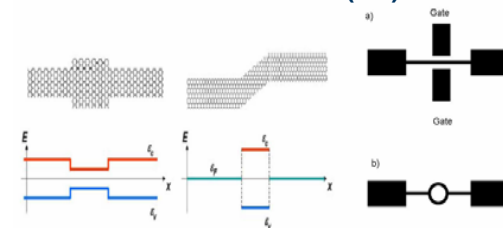
## Graphene based Quantum Devices

Charles Marcus (Harvard)



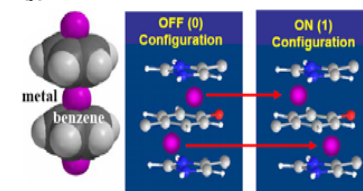
## Graphene Nanowire Switches

Murali and DeHeer (GT)

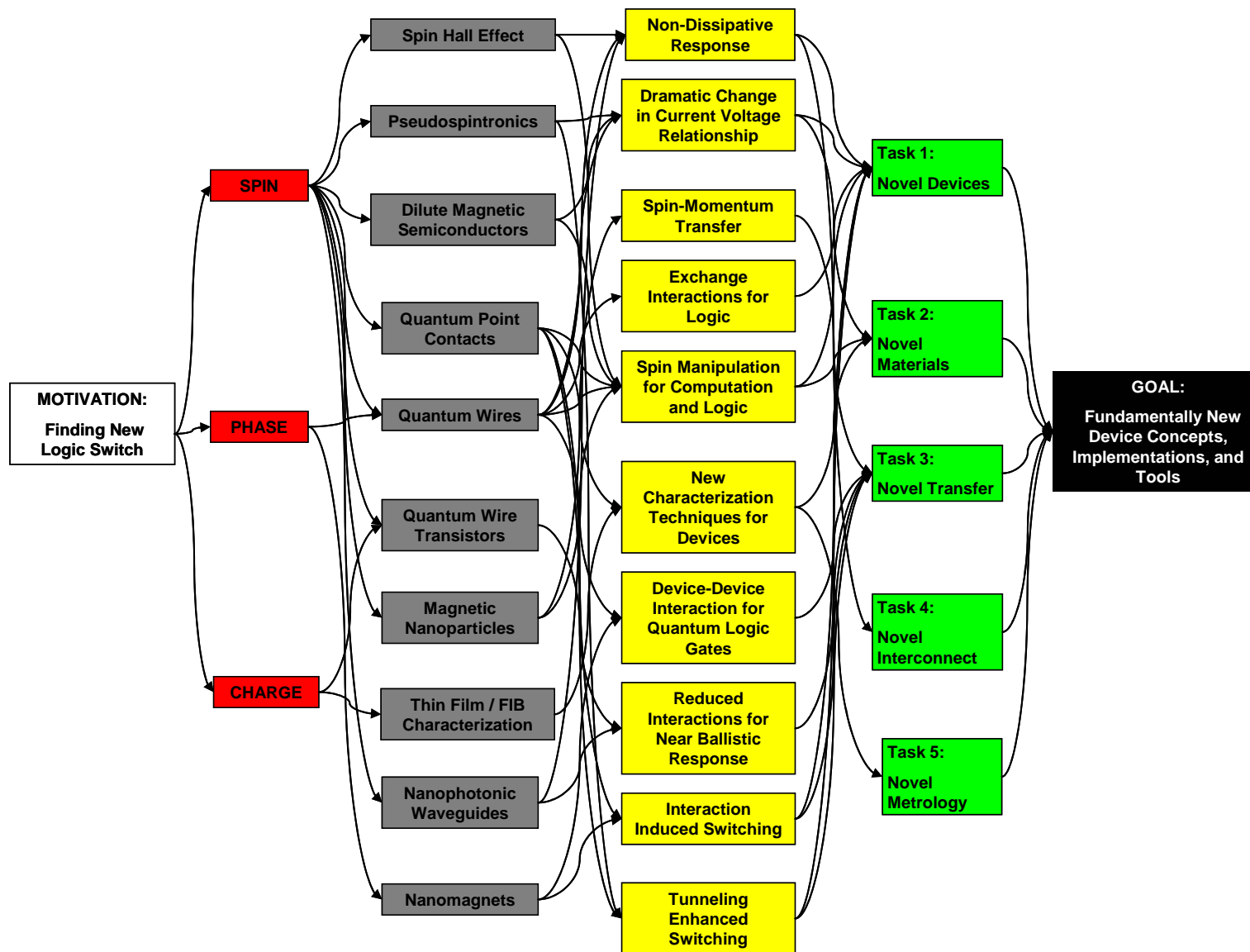


## Molecular Nanowire Switches

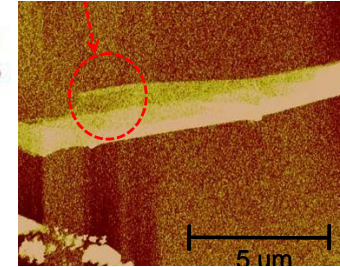
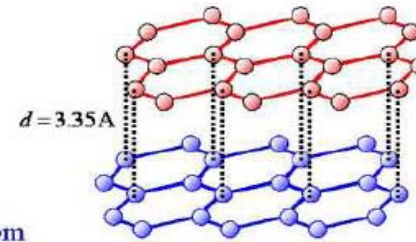
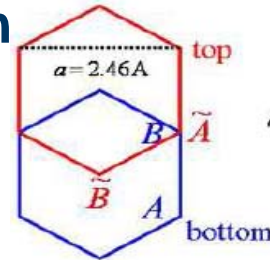
Kaloyeros et al (UAlbany)



## Post CMOS Switches

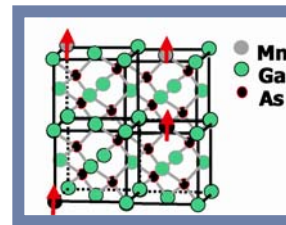


## Task 1: Logic Devices based on alternate computational state variables

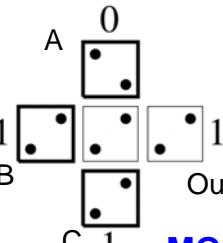


Pseudospintronics on Graphene

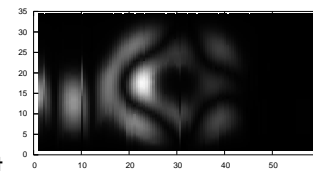
## Task 2,3: Novel materials and structures



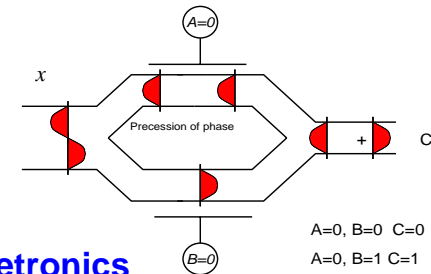
DMS



MQCA

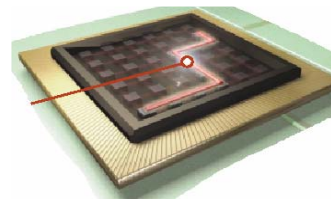


Phasetronics



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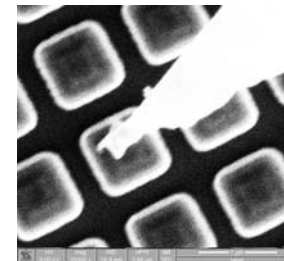
## Task 4: Novel interconnect and architectures



NanoPlasmonics

## Task 5: Nanoscale Characterization

Nano Manipulator/ Probe system



**3 Primary focus**

**2 Secondary focus**

**1 Very little or no focus**

\*NSF-funded centers, capabilities self-assessed by Center directors

Question number		1	2	3	4	5
Institution		Alternative State variables	Non equilibrium devices	Novel information transfer	phonon engineering	self assembly
<b>NSEC Centers</b>						
Electronic Transport in Molecular Nanostructures, NSEC	Columbia University	1	2	1	2	2
Nanoscale Systems and their Device Applications, NSEC	Harvard University	3	3	3	3	3
Integrated Nanopatterning and Detection, NSEC	Northwestern University	1	2	1	1	3
Center for High Rate Nanomanufacturing	Northeastern University	2	1	1	1	3
Stanford Center for Probing the Nanoscale	Stanford	2	1	1	1	1
Center for Nanoscale Electrical-Mechanical Manufacturing Systems	UIUC	1	1	1	2	2
Nanoscience in Biological and Environmental Engineering (CBEN)	Rice University	1	1	1	1	1
<b>MRSEC Centers</b>						
Biomaterial microstructures	UCSB	2	1	1	1	3
Grain boundaries, metals / ceramics; simulations	CMU	1	1	1	1	1
Princeton Center for Complex Materials	Princeton	3	1	1	1	3
Center for Nanostructured Materials	Cornell	2	1	1	1	2
Nanomagnetisms -fundamental interactions and applications	U of Nebraska	2	1	1	1	2
Nanoscopy design, quantum dots, surfaces	U of Virginia	2	1	1	1	3
Transport in nanostructured magnetic materials	U of Alabama	3	3	1	1	2
Molecular motors	Penn State University	1	1	2	1	3
The Center for the Science and Engineering of Materials (CSEM), Laboratory for Research on the Structure of Matter	California Institute of Technology	2	2	3	2	1
The Center for Materials Science and Engineering (CMSE)	U of Pennsylvania	1	1	1	1	1
Directed Assembly of Nanostructures, NSEC	MIT	2	1	1	1	2
Structural integrated films containing nanoparticles	Rensselaer Polytech Inst	2	1	1	2	3
	Columbia University	1	1	1	1	3



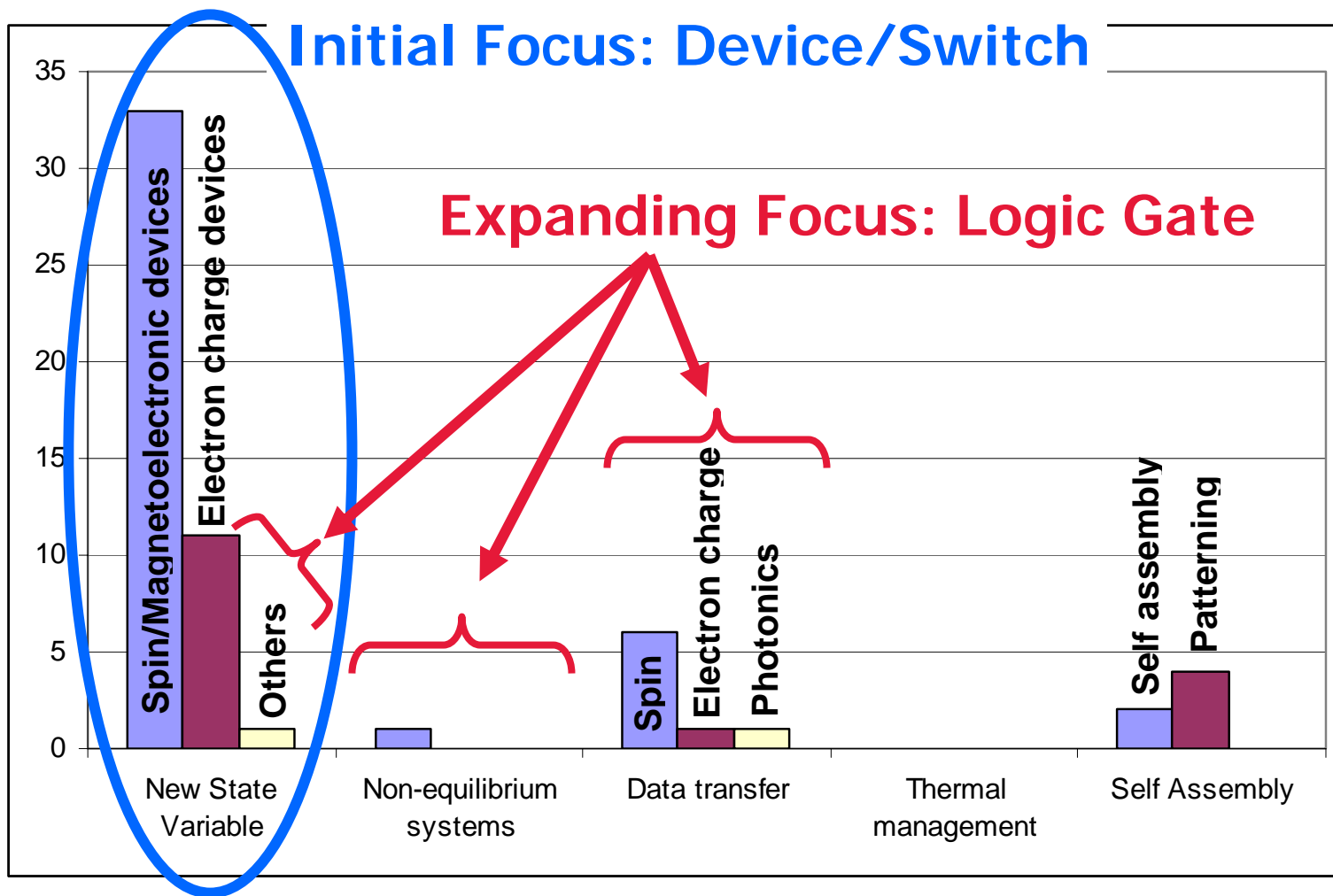
- Joint program established with NSF to fund NRI-related research at NSF centers

PI	Institution	Center	Center Name	Title of Supplement
Lundstrom, Mark	Purdue U	NCN	Network for Computational Nanotechnology	Exploratory Theory, Modeling, and Simulation for the NRI
Yardley, James T.	Columbia U	NSEC	Columbia Center for Electronic Transport in Molecular nanostructures	Non-equilibrium Quantum Coherent Devices in 1-D materials
Westervelt, Robert	Harvard U	NSEC	Science of Nanoscale Systems and their Device Applications	Ultrasmall Nanowire and Oxide Switches
Hawker, Craig	UCSB (Stanford, U Mass)	MRSEC	MRSEC at UCSB	Development of Next Generation Devices using Nanolithographic Techniques
Hull, Robert	U Virginia (Notre Dame)	MRSEC	Center for Nanoscopic Materials	Directed Assembly of Epitaxial Semiconductor Nanostructures for Novel Logic Switches
Johnson, Matt	U. Arkansas/ U Oklahoma	MRSEC	Center for Semiconductor Physics in Nanostructures	Nanoferroelectric Random Access Memory

- NSF and NRI selected six new projects at NSF centers for 2007-2009

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Tsymbal, Evgeny / <b>Sellmyer, David</b> ; Belashchenko, Kirill; Sabirianov, Renat	U.Neb-Lincoln (U.Neb-Omaha)	MRSEC	Q-SPINS: Quantum and Spin Phenomena in Nanomagnetic Structures ( <a href="http://www.mrsec.unl.edu">www.mrsec.unl.edu</a> )	"Multiferroic interfaces: new paradigms for functional switching"
<b>Hull, Robert</b> / Wolf, Stuart; Floro, Jerrold; Awschalom, David; Snider, Greg	U. Virginia (UCSB / Notre Dame)	MRSEC	Center for Nanoscopic Materials Design ( <a href="http://www.mrsec.virginia.edu">www.mrsec.virginia.edu</a> )	"Coherent Spin Dynamics in Single Ion doped Semiconductors: Towards a Coherent or Quantum Spin Switch"
<b>Lundstrom, Mark</b> / Alam, Muhamad; Datta, Supriyo; Klimeck, Gerhard; Roy, Kaushik	Purdue	NCN	The Network for Computational Nanotechnology ( <a href="http://www.ncn.purdue.edu">www.ncn.purdue.edu</a> )	"Exploratory Theory, Modeling, and Simulation for the Nanoelectronics Research Initiative"
Ahn, Charles ( <b>Tully, John</b> )	Yale	MRSEC	Center for Research on Interface Structures and Phenomena ( <a href="http://www.crisp.yale.edu">www.crisp.yale.edu</a> )	"Design and fabrication of magnetic-based devices with complex oxide materials"
MacDonald, Allan / DasSarma, Sankar ( <b>Williams, Ellen</b> )	UMD (UT-Austin)	MRSEC	Materials Research Science and Engineering Center ( <a href="http://mrsec.umd.edu">http://mrsec.umd.edu</a> )	"Pseudospintronics"
Kan, Edwin ( <b>Buhrman, Robert</b> )	Cornell	NSEC	Center for Nanoscale Systems in Information Technologies ( <a href="http://www.cns.cornell.edu/">http://www.cns.cornell.edu/</a> )	"Controlled Orbital Hybridization in the Carbon Nanotube Quantum Modulated Transistor (CNT-QMT)"





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