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**STEM Participants:** 8

**Major Goals:** The final technical progress report will be submitted under separate cover as a compilation of published peer-reviewed journal articles summarizing key findings of this project as per verbal agreement with the program manager.

The major goals and accomplishments are summarized in the annual progress reports that have been submitted during the course of this grant, and are explicitly included in this report.

**Accomplishments:** The final technical progress report will be submitted under separate cover as a compilation of published peer-reviewed journal articles summarizing key findings of this project as per verbal agreement with the program manager.

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**Training Opportunities:** The final technical progress report will be submitted under separate cover as a compilation of published peer-reviewed journal articles summarizing key findings of this project as per verbal agreement with the program manager.

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**Results Dissemination:** The final technical progress report will be submitted under separate cover as a compilation of published peer-reviewed journal articles summarizing key findings of this project as per verbal agreement with the program manager.

**Honors and Awards:** N.C.S Elected member of American Academy of Arts and Sciences (Ned Seeman)

**Protocol Activity Status:**

**Technology Transfer:** Work with Mario Ancona and Joseph Melinger at NRL (Ned Seeman)

**PARTICIPANTS:**

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**Participant Type:** Undergraduate Student

**Participant:** Tanner Way

**Person Months Worked:** 1.00

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Project Contribution:

International Collaboration:

International Travel:

National Academy Member: N

Other Collaborators:

**Participant Type:** Non-Student Research Assistant

**Participant:** Ruojie Sha

**Person Months Worked:** 1.00

**Funding Support:**

Project Contribution:

International Collaboration:

International Travel:

National Academy Member: N

Other Collaborators:

**Participant Type:** Graduate Student (research assistant)

**Participant:** Yudong Hao

**Person Months Worked:** 1.00

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**Article Title:** High-Performance Semiconducting Nanotube Inks: Progress and Prospects

**Authors:**

**Keywords:** semiconducting carbon nanotube, solution-based deposition, random network, thin film transistor, mobility, on/off ratio, nanotube network density, radio frequency, circuit demonstration

**Abstract:** While the potential for high mobility printed semiconducting nanotube inks has been clear for over a decade, a myriad of scientific and technological issues has prevented commercialization and practical use. One of the most challenging scientific problems has been to understand the relationship between the pristine, individual nanotube mobility (known to be in the  $10^4$  cm<sup>2</sup>/V s range) and the as-deposited random network mobility (recently demonstrated in the  $10^2$  cm<sup>2</sup>/V s range). An additional significant scientific hurdle has been to understand, manage, and ultimately eliminate the effects of metallic nanotubes on the network performance, specifically the on/off ratio. Additional scientific progress is important in understanding the dependence of nanotube length, diameter, and density on device performance. Finally, the development of ink formulations that are of practical use in manufacturing is of paramount importance, especially with regard to drying time and uniformity, and ultimately

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**Article Title:** Wafer-scale mitochondrial membrane potential assays

**Authors:**

**Keywords:** lab on chip, biosensor, mitochondria

**Abstract:** It has been reported that mitochondrial metabolic and biophysical parameters are associated with degenerative diseases and the aging process. To evaluate these biochemical parameters, current technology requires several hundred milligrams of isolated mitochondria for functional assays. Here, we demonstrate manufacturable wafer-scale mitochondrial functional assay lab-on-a-chip devices, which require mitochondrial protein quantities three orders of magnitude less than current assays, integrated onto 499 standard silicon wafer with new fabrication processes and materials. Membrane potential changes of isolated mitochondria from various well-established cell lines such as human HeLa cell line (Heb7A), human osteosarcoma cell line (143b) and mouse skeletal muscle tissue were investigated and compared. This second generation integrated lab-on-a-chip system developed here shows enhanced structural durability and reproducibility while increasing the sensitivity to changes in mitochondrial mem

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**Article Title:** Terahertz Graphene Optics

**Authors:**

**Keywords:** Graphene, Terahertz

**Abstract:** The magnitude of the optical sheet conductance of single layer graphene is universal, and equal to  $e^2/4\pi$ . As the optical frequency decreases, the conductivity decreases. However, at some frequency in the THz range, the conductivity increases again, eventually reaching the dc value, where the magnitude of the dc sheet conductance generally displays a sample and doping-dependent value between  $\sim e^2/h$  and  $100 e^2/h$ . Thus, the THz range is predicted to be a non-trivial region of the spectrum for the electron transport in graphene, and may have interesting technological applications. In this paper, we present the first frequency domain measurements of the absolute value of multilayer graphene (MLG) and single-layer graphene (SLG) sheet conductivity and transparency from DC to 1 THz, and establish a firm foundation for future THz applications of graphene.

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**Article Title:** Quantum-Dot-Based Aptamer Beacons for  $K^+$  Detection

**Authors:**

**Keywords:** Aptamer, deoxyribonucleic acid, molecular beacon, nanotechnology, potassium ion, quantum dot, tetraplex, thrombin-binding aptamer.

**Abstract:** Herein, aptamer-based quantum-dot detectors of  $K^+$  made of two-different  $K^+$  aptamers are compared. These deoxyribonucleic acid-based aptamers are TBA (5'-GGT TGG TGT GGT TGG-3') and AG3 (5'-GGG TTA GGG TTA GGG TTA GGG-3'). The nanoscale aptamer-quantum-dot-based detectors described in this paper are synthesized and tested in DI water aliquots that contain KCl. The results including data suggest that beacons made of AG3 and TBA serve better as an ion indicator in different potassium level regions. As a result, aptamer beacon made of AG3 has better potential in the design of take-home diagnostic devices for hyperkalemia and hypokalemia.

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**Article Title:** Raman and Surface-Enhanced Raman Scattering (SERS) Studies of the Thrombin-Binding Aptamer

**Authors:**

**Keywords:** Aptamer, DNA, nanobiotechnology, nanoparticle, surface-enhanced Raman scattering.

**Abstract:** Surface-enhanced Raman scattering is used to study the Raman spectra and peak shifts of the thrombin-binding aptamer (TBA) on substrates having two different geometries; one with a single stranded sequence and one with double stranded sequence. The Raman signals of the deoxyribonucleic acids on both substrates are enhanced and specific peaks of bases are identified. These results are highly reproducible and have promising applications in low cost nucleic acid detection.

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**Article Title:** Phonon bottleneck effects in rectangular graphene quantum dots

**Authors:**

**Keywords:** Graphene, Quantum dots, Confined phonons

**Abstract:** For a graphene sheet with confining structures in the orthogonal directions of zigzag- and armchair-edge, the confined carrier states are determined. These wavefunctions and eigenvalues are used to study carrier-longitudinal optical (LO)-phonon interactions in these graphene quantum dots. The optical deformation potential is derived for these graphene quantum dots as the basis for the study of these carrier-LO-phonon interactions. Phonon bottleneck effects are identified and the Fermi golden rule transition rates are formulated.

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**Authors:**

**Keywords:** Single-layer graphene, terahertz, conductance, multilayer graphene, broadband

**Abstract:** The magnitude of the optical sheet conductance of single-layer graphene is universal, and equal to  $e^2/4\pi$  (where  $h = 2\pi\hbar$  (the Planck constant)). As the optical frequency decreases, the conductivity decreases. However, at some frequency in the THz range, the conductivity increases again, eventually reaching the DC value, where the magnitude of the DC sheet conductance generally displays a sample- and doping-dependent value between  $\sim e^2/h$  and  $100 e^2/h$ . Thus, the THz range is predicted to be a non-trivial region of the spectrum for electron transport in graphene, and may have interesting technological applications. In this paper, we present the first frequency domain measurements of the absolute value of multilayer graphene (MLG) and single-layer graphene (SLG) sheet conductivity and transparency from DC to 1 THz, and establish a firm foundation for future THz applications of graphene.

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**Authors:** Phi. H. Q. Pham, W-D. Zhang, N. V. Quach, W-W. Zhou, J-F. Li, D. Scarmardo, E. R. Brown and P. J.

**Keywords:** Strong light-matter coupling to a 2D material in the THz domain

**Abstract:** The coupling of an electromagnetic plane wave to a thin conductor depends on the sheet conductance of the material: a poor conductor interacts only weakly with the incoming light, allowing the majority of the incident radiation to pass, whereas a good conductor also does not absorb any light, reflecting the wave almost entirely<sup>1</sup>. For a suspended film, the transition from reflector to transmitter occurs when the sheet resistance is approximately the characteristic impedance of free space ( $Z_0 = 377 \Omega$ ). On a dielectric substrate, the impedance at which absorption is maximized is somewhere between the characteristic impedance of free space, and that of the medium (i.e.  $Z_0/n$ , where  $n$  is the index of refraction of the dielectric substrate). Near this point, the interaction is maximized, and the conductor absorbs strongly. Here we show that monolayer graphene, a tunable thin conductor<sup>2</sup>, can be electrically and chemically modified to reach this transition, thereby achieving the maximum absorpt

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**Authors:** N.C. Seeman

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**Paper Title:** Detection of DNA by graphene-on-silicon FET structures simultaneously at DC and 101 GHz  
**Authors:** Elliot R. Brown, Weidong Zhang, David Neff, Nathaniel S. Green, Michael. L. Norton, Phi Huy Quoc Pha  
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**Authors:** Electromagnetic Coupling to Nano-devices: 2D vs. 1D  
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**Authors:** W-D. Zhang, E. R. Brown  
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**Paper Title:** The Sapphire (0001) Surface: A Transparent Substitute for Mica for DNA Nanostructure Imaging  
**Authors:** David Neff, Masudur Rahman, Michael Norton  
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**Authors:** A. Mingardi ; W-D. Zhang ; E. R. Brown  
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**Paper Title:** Ultrafast photoconductive devices based upon GaAs:ErAs nanoparticle composite driven at 1550 nm  
**Authors:** • W-D. Zhang, A. Mingardi, E. R. Brown, A. Feldman, T. Harvey, and R. P. Mirin  
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**Authors:** W-D. Zhang and E. R. Brown  
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**Paper Title:** Model for ultrafast extrinsic photoconductivity in Er-doped GaAs  
**Authors:** E. R. Brown and W-D. Zhang  
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**Paper Title:** THz Photoconductivity in GaAs:Er at 1550 nm, and Comparison with Cross-Gap Performance  
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**Paper Title:** Scanning Microwave Microscopy of Vital Mitochondria in Respiration Buffer  
**Authors:** Jinfeng Li, Zahra Nemati, Kamel Haddadi, Douglas C. Wallace, Peter J. Burke  
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**Title:** Graphene Based Transistors and Supported Lipid Bilayer

**Authors:**

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**Title:** Surface Plasmon Based Engineering of Semiconductor Nanowire Optics

**Authors:**

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**Authors:**

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**Authors:** Luye Mu

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