

Using DNA Information to Control the Structure of Matter in 3D

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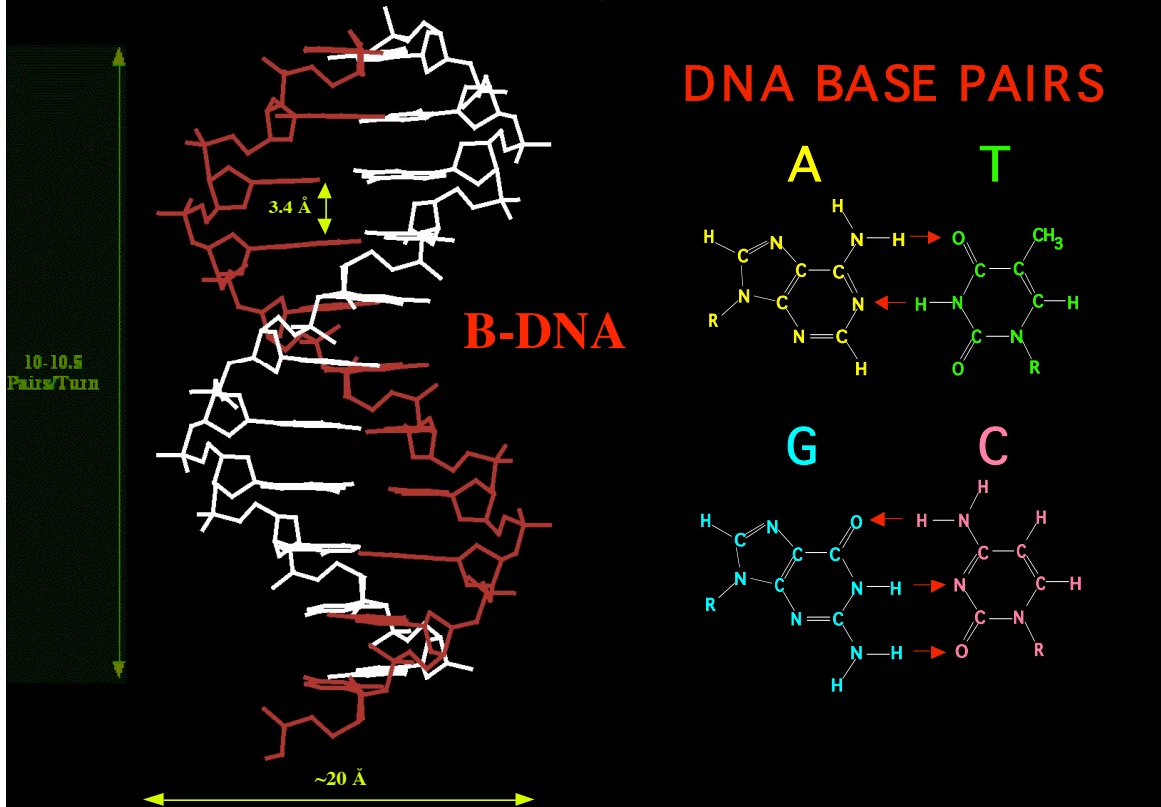
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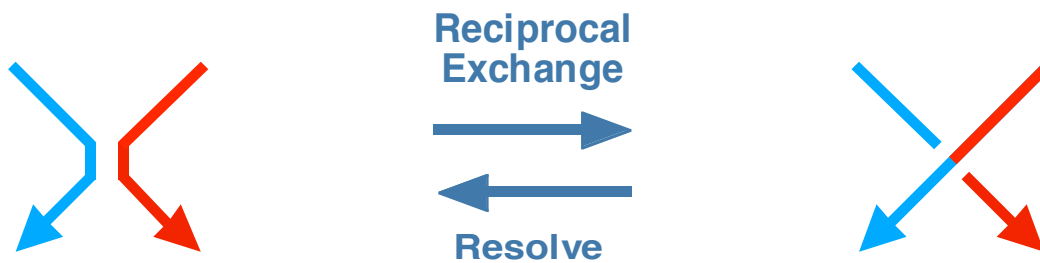




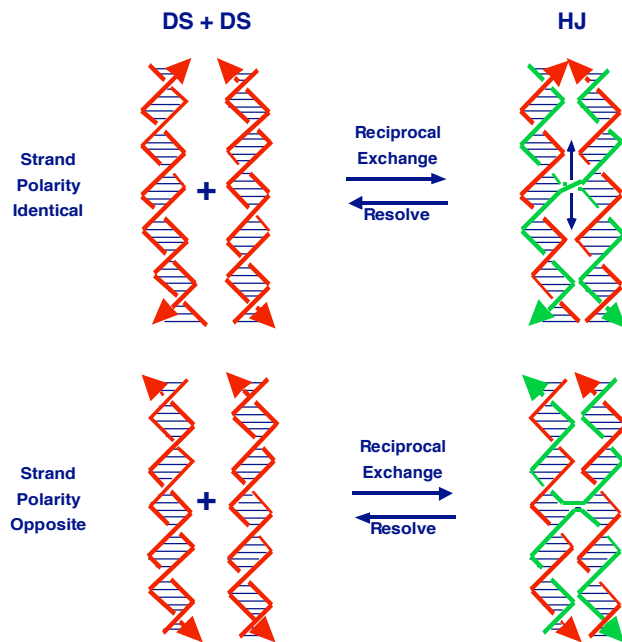
DNA Is a Nanoscale Object



Reciprocal Exchange: A Theoretical **Biokleptic** Tool To Generate New DNA Motifs

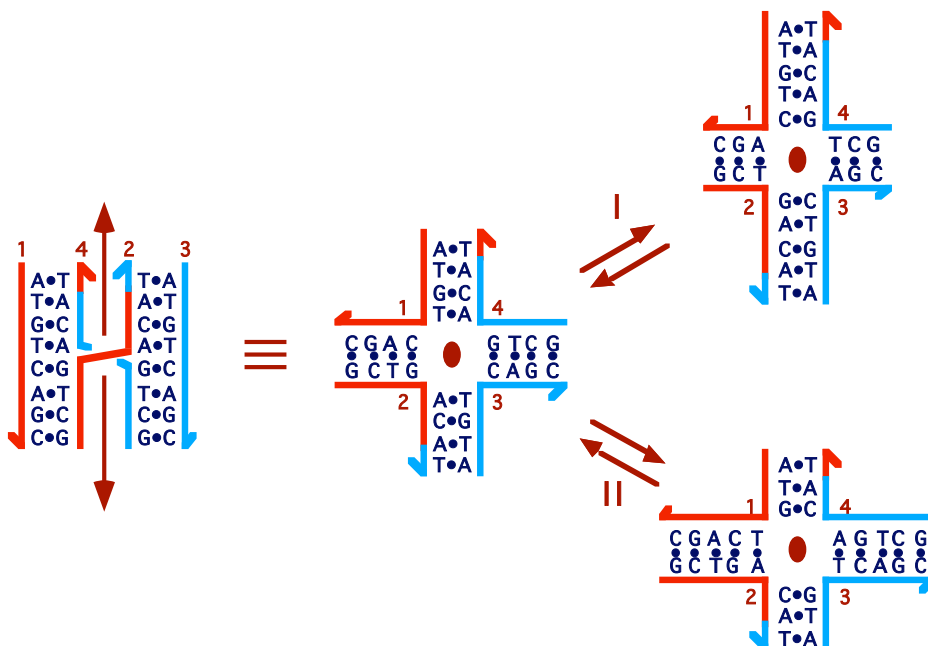


Reciprocal Exchange in a Double Helical Context

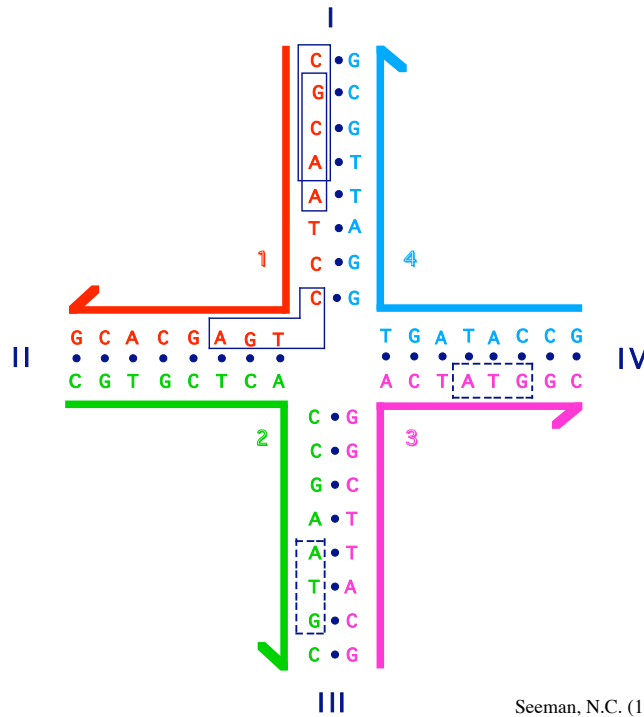


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Biological Reciprocal Exchange: The Holliday Junction

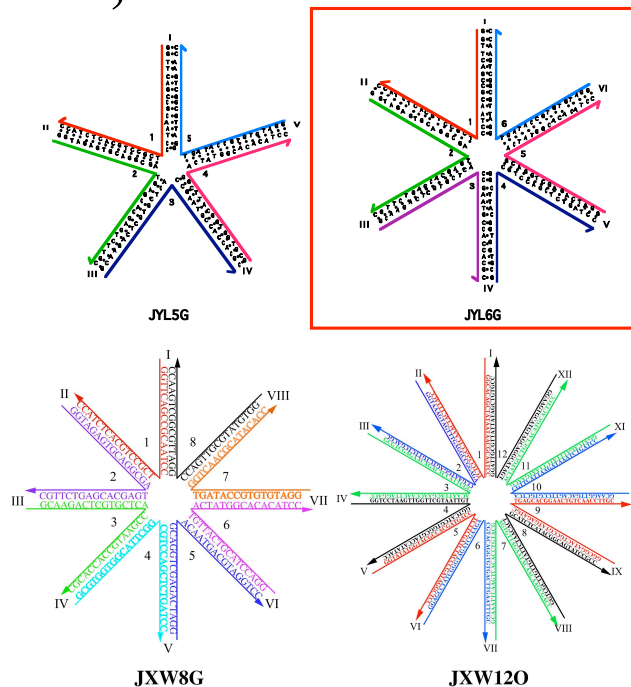


Design of Immobile Branched Junctions: Minimize Sequence Symmetry

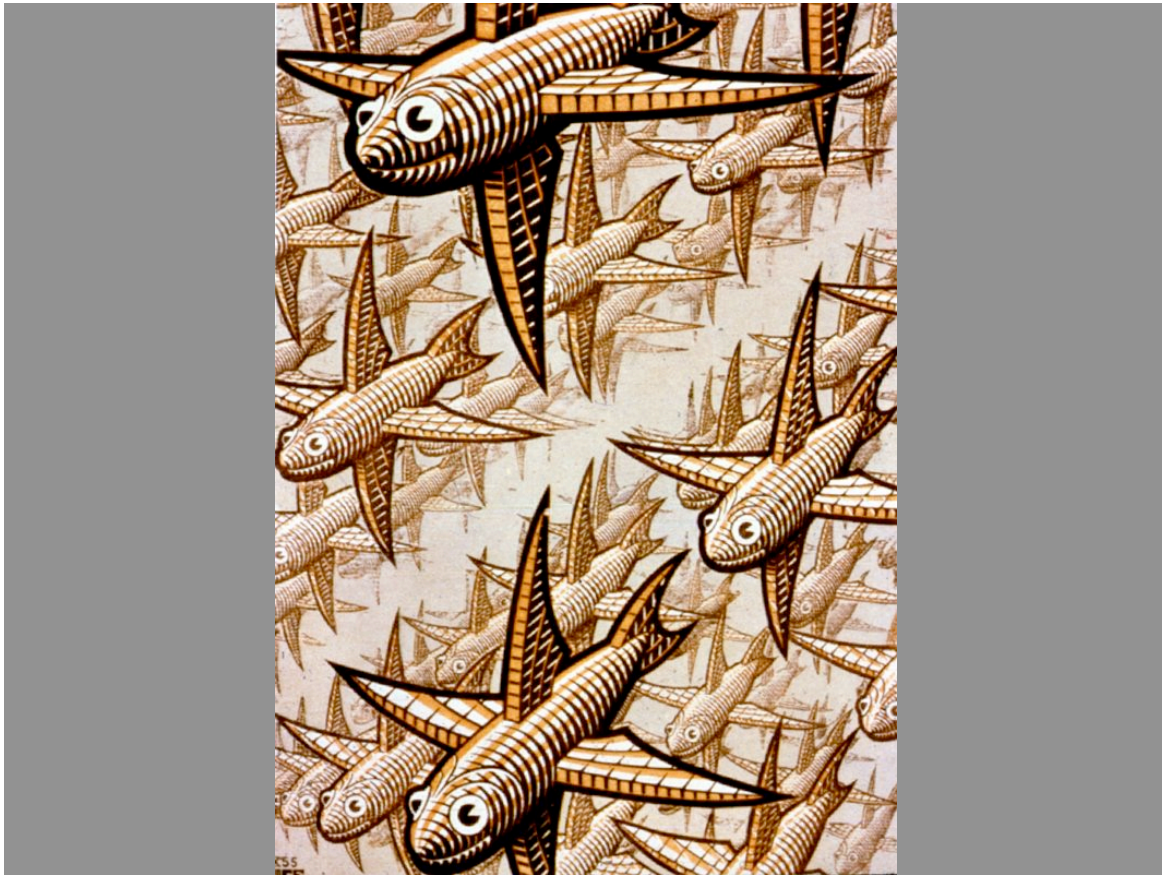


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5-Arm, 6-Arm, 8-Arm and 12-Arm Junctions



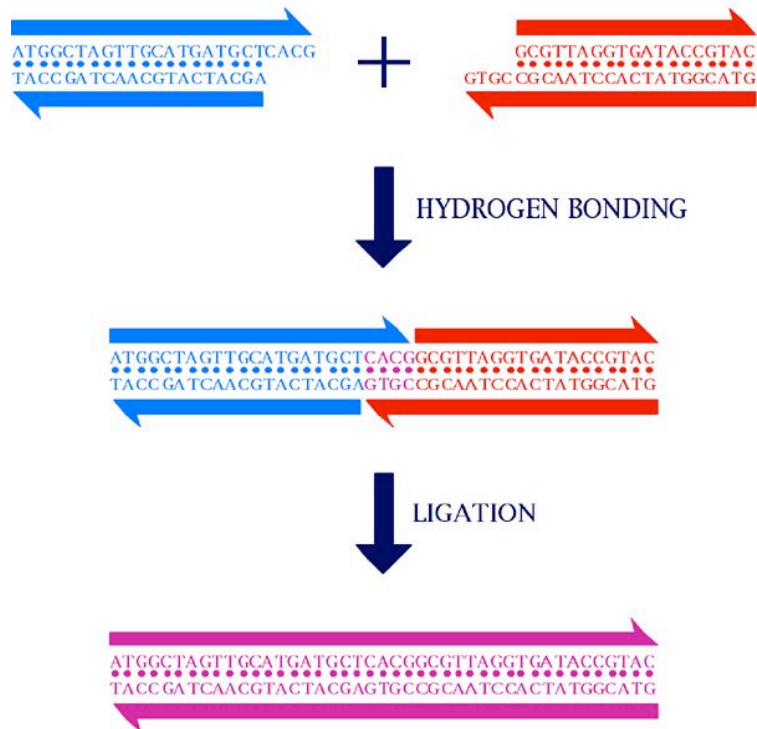
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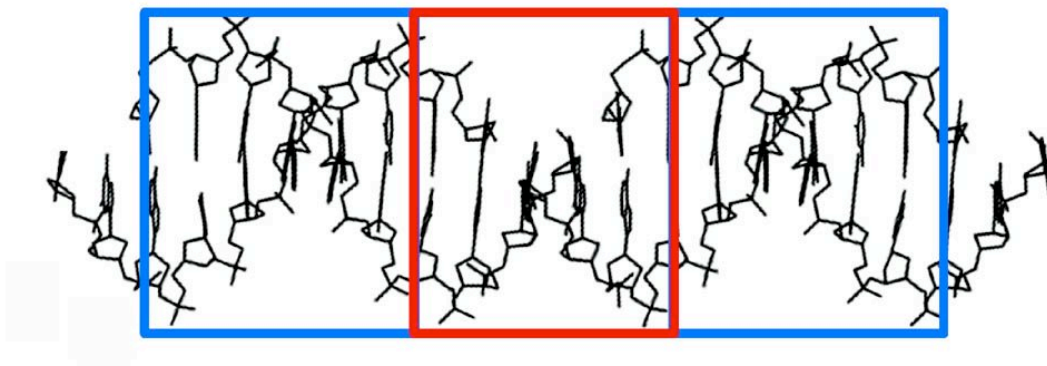
Bricks from the Ming Tombs in Nanjing



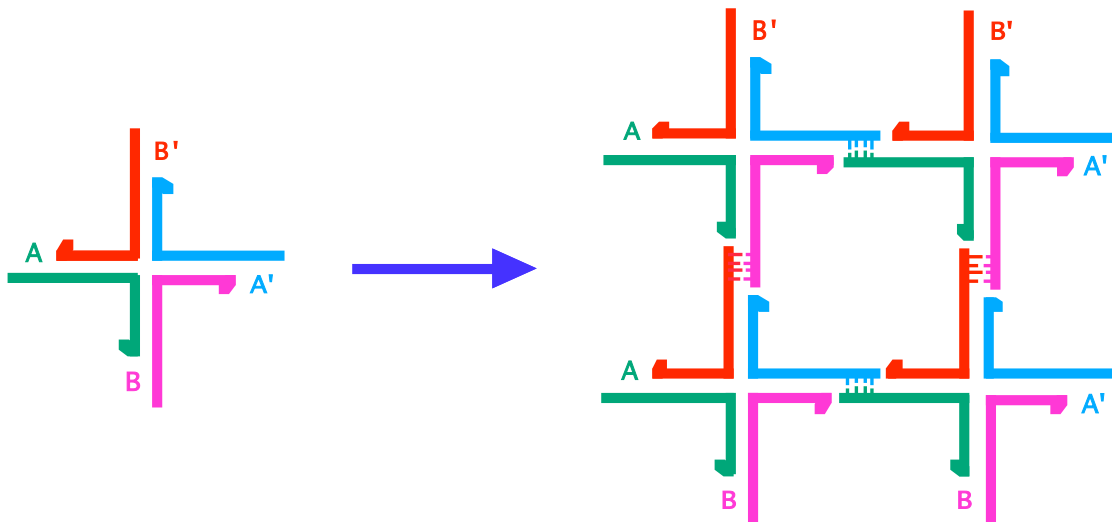
Sticky-Ended Cohesion: Smart Affinity



Sticky-Ended Cohesion: Structure



The Central Concept of Structural DNA Nanotechnology: Combine Branched DNA with Sticky Ends to Make Objects, Lattices and Devices



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OBJECTIVES AND APPLICATIONS FOR OUR LABORATORY

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL AND SCAFFOLDING

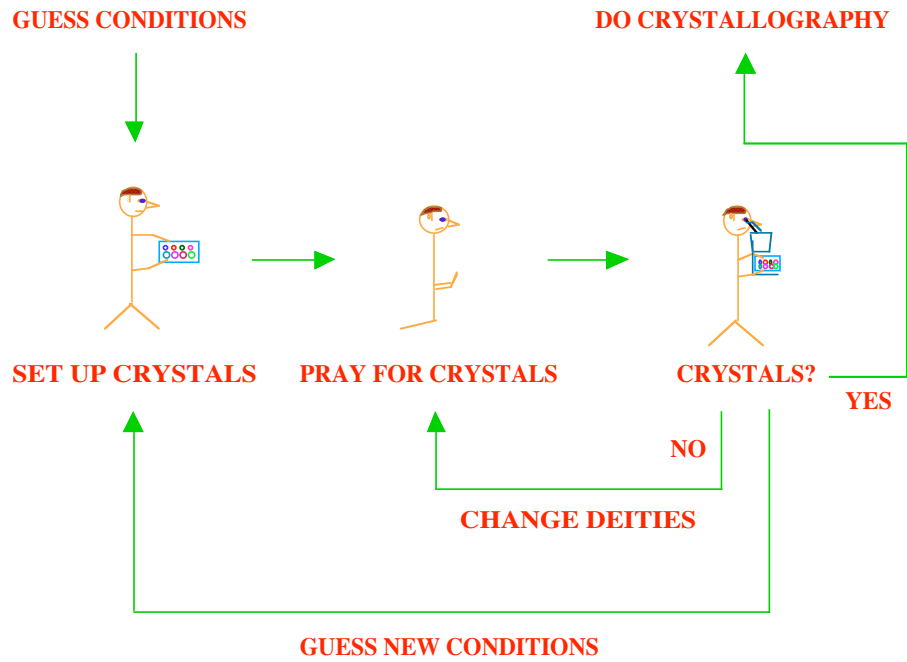
- [1] MACROMOLECULAR CRYSTALLIZATION (PERIODIC IN 2D AND 3D).
- [2] NANOELECTRONICS ORGANIZATION (PERIODIC IN 2D AND 3D).
- [3] DNA-BASED COMPUTATION (APERIODIC IN 2D OR 3D).
- [4] CONTROL OF POLYMER AND MATERIALS COMPOSITION & TOPOLOGY.

NANOMECHANICAL DEVICES

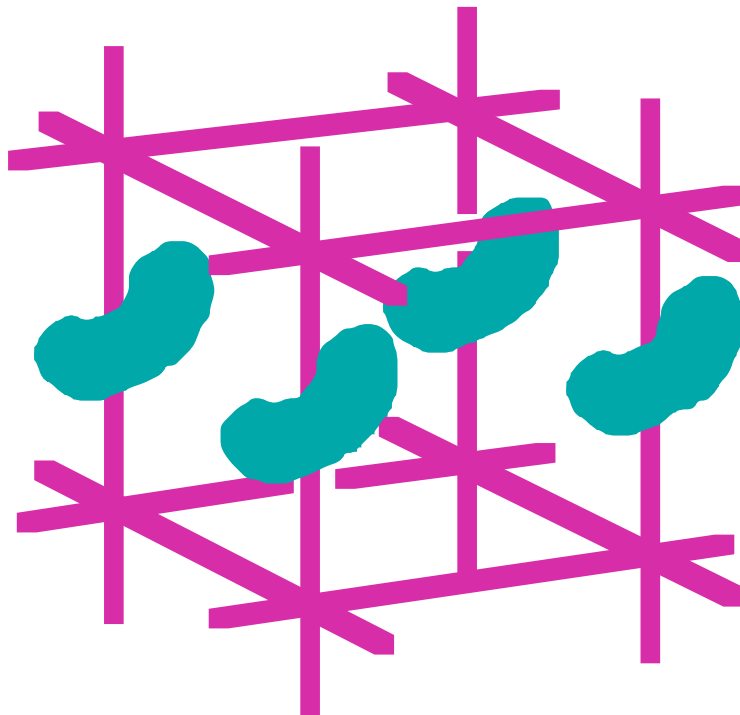
- [1] NANOROBOTICS.
- [2] NANOFABRICATION.

SELF-REPLICABLE SYSTEMS

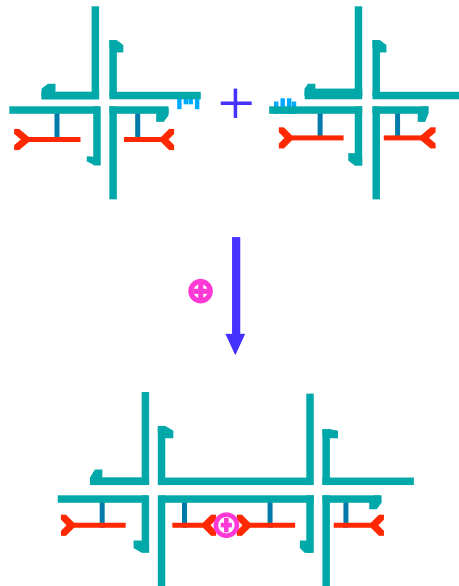
CURRENT CRYSTALLIZATION PROTOCOL



A New Suggestion for Producing Macromolecular Crystals

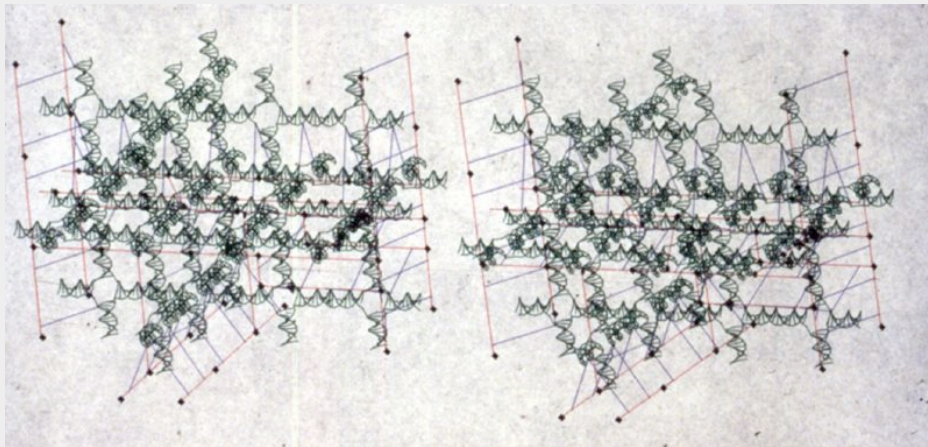


A Method for Organizing Nano-Electronic Components



Robinson, B.H. & Seeman, N.C. (1987), *Protein Eng.* **1**, 295-300..

A Suggestion for a Molecular Memory Device Organized by DNA (Shown in Stereo)



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Why DNA?

Nucleic Acid Sequences Can Be Programmed and Synthesized, Leading to Information-Based Structural, Dynamic and Catalytic Chemistry

Predictable Intermolecular Interactions:

Both Affinity and Structure.

Can Design Shape by Selecting Sequence:

Robust Branched Motifs Programmable by Sequence.

Convenient Automated Chemistry:

Both Vanilla DNA and Useful Derivatives.

Convenient Modifying Enzymes:

Ligases, Exonucleases, Restriction Enzymes, Topoisomerases.

Locally A Stiff Polymer:

Persistence Length ~ 500 Å; Stiff Branched Motifs Have Been Developed.

Robust Molecule:

Can Heat Individual Strands without Doing Damage.

Amenable to Molecular Biology and Biotechnology Techniques:

Gels, Autoradiography, PCR.

Externally Readable Code when Paired:

Different Points in a Lattice Can be Addressed.

High Functional Group Density:

Every 3.4 Å Nucleotide Separation.

Prototype for Many Derivatives:

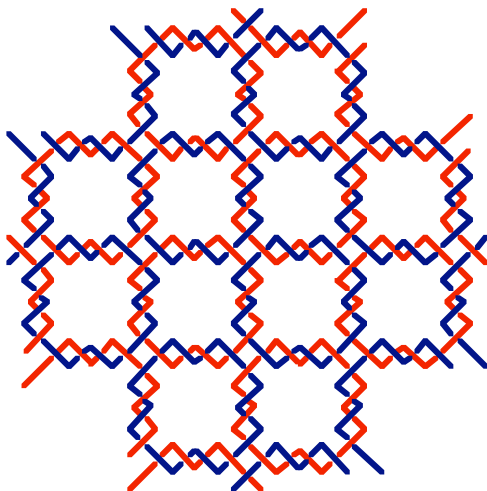
The Gene Therapy Enterprise Has Generated Hundreds of Analogs

Potentially Self-Replicable and Selectable:

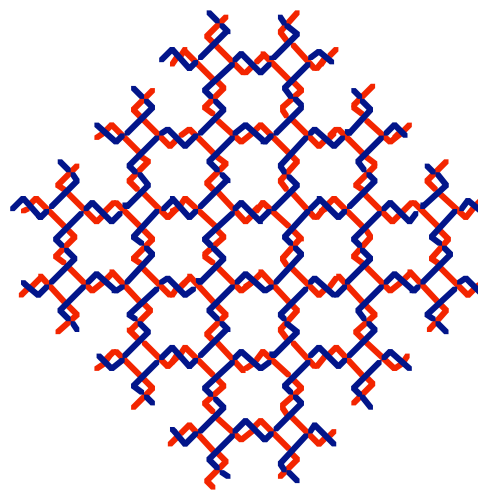
May be Able to Make and Improve Constructs Inexpensively.

DNA Topology Affects DNA Nanoconstructions

Chain Mail



Interwoven



What Is the Intellectual Goal of Structural DNA Nanotechnology?

Controlling the Structure of Matter in 3D to the Highest Extent (Resolution) Possible, so as to Understand the Connection between the Molecular and Macroscopic Scales.

“What I cannot create, I do not understand.”
--Richard P. Feynman
(Inverse not necessarily true.)

STRUCTURAL AND TOPOLOGICAL ASSEMBLIES

Polyhedral Catenanes

Cube: Junghuei Chen

Truncated Octahedron: Yuwen Zhang

Cube





Truncated Octahedron

Zhang, Y. & Seeman, N.C. (1994),
J. Am. Chem. Soc. **116**, 1661-1669.



Construction of Crystalline Arrays

**REQUIREMENTS FOR LATTICE
DESIGN COMPONENTS**

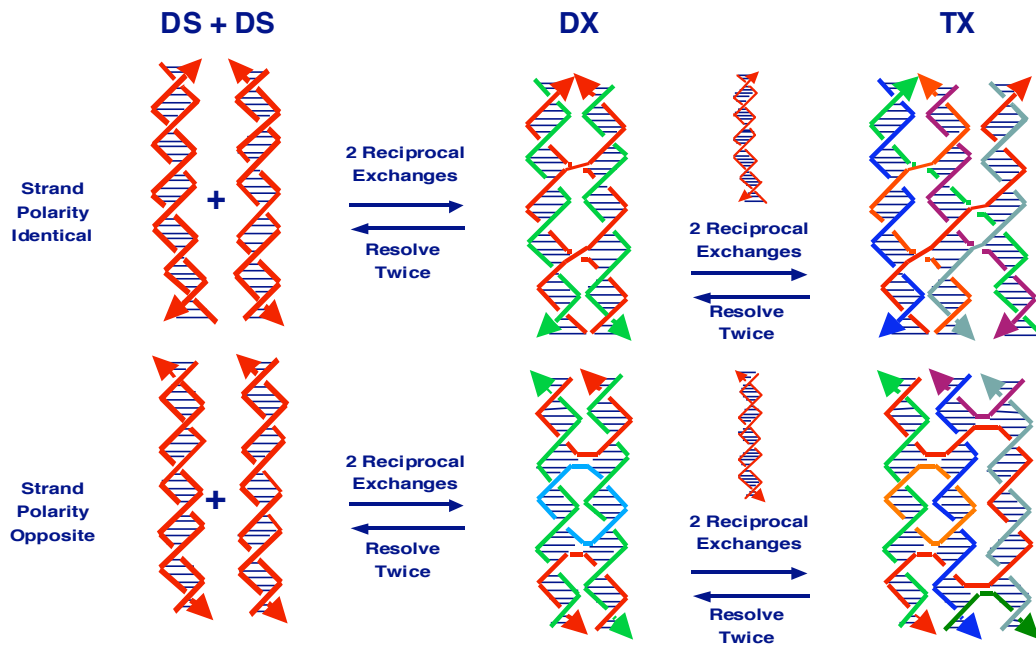
PREDICTABLE INTERACTIONS

PREDICTABLE LOCAL PRODUCT STRUCTURES

STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY



Derivation of DX and TX Molecules



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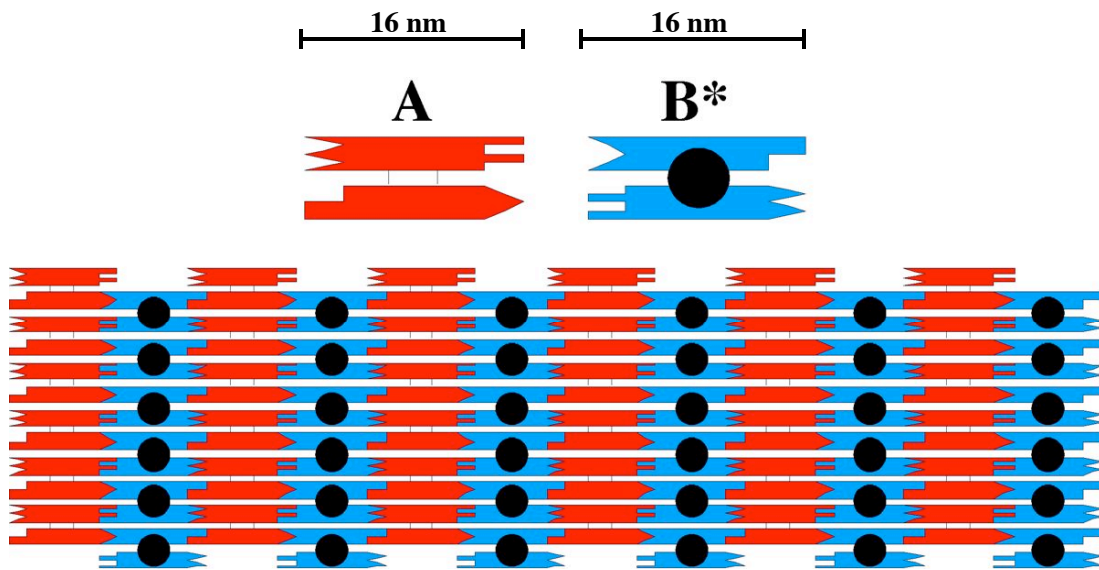
2D DX Arrays

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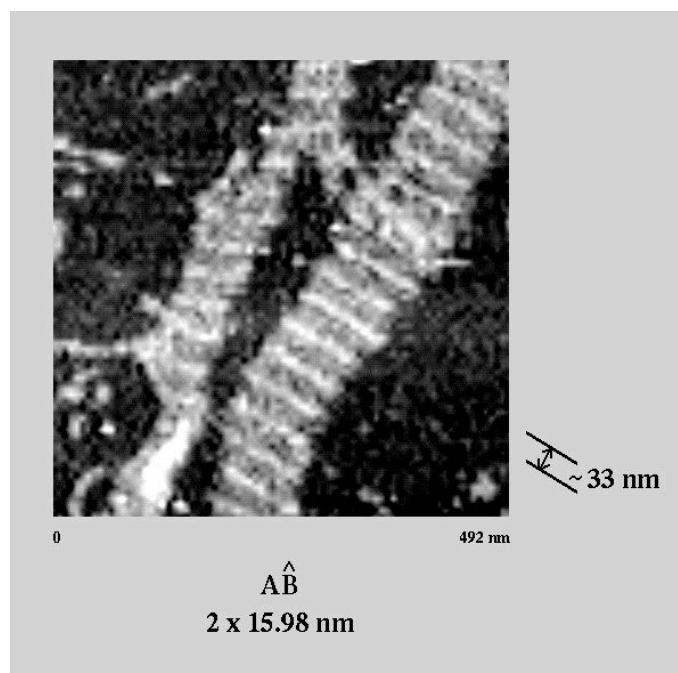
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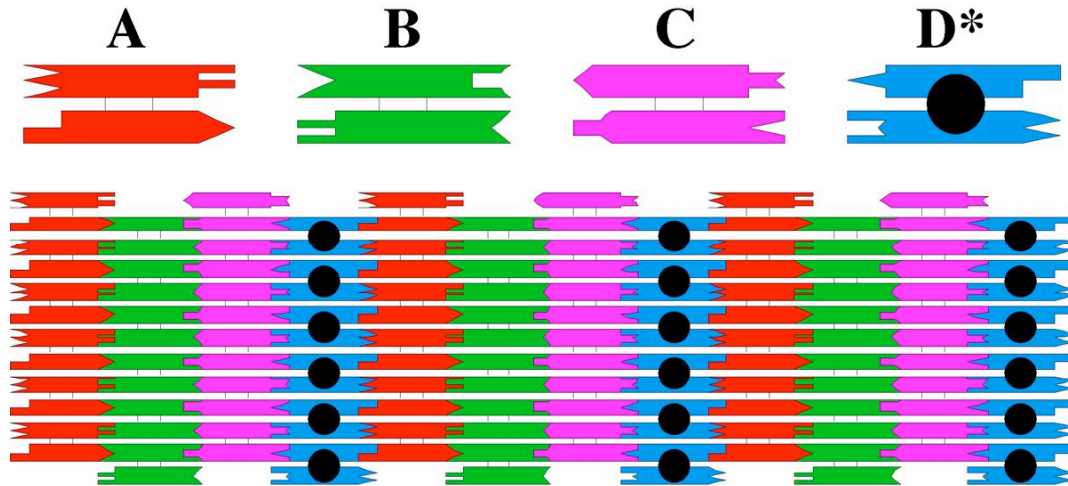
Schematic of a Lattice Containing 1 DX Tile and 1 DX+J Tile



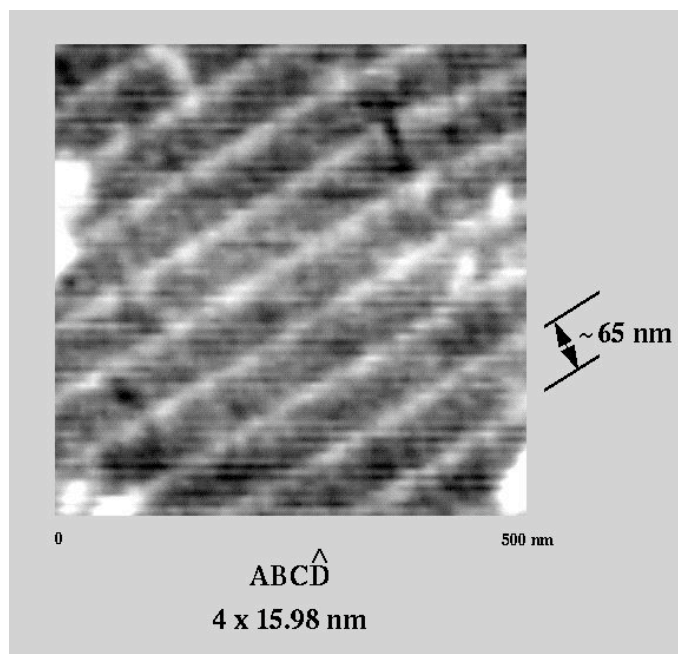
AFM of a Lattice Containing 1 DX Tile and 1 DX+J Tile



Schematic of a Lattice Containing 3 DX Tiles and 1 DX+J Tile



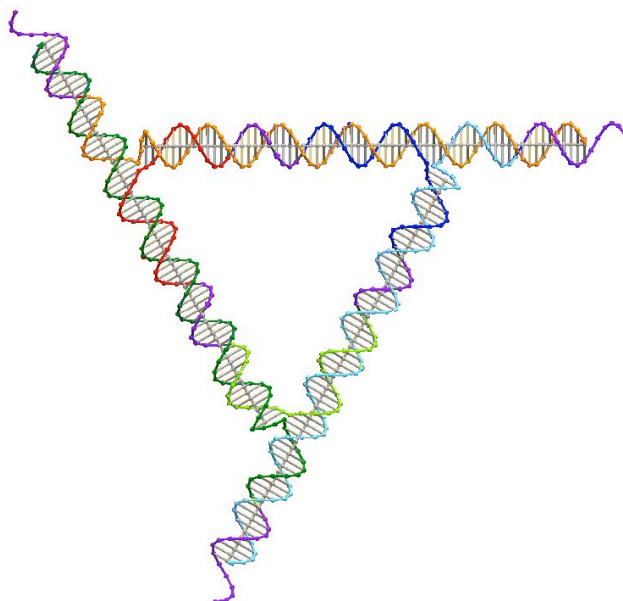
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Robust 2D Arrays: DX Triangles

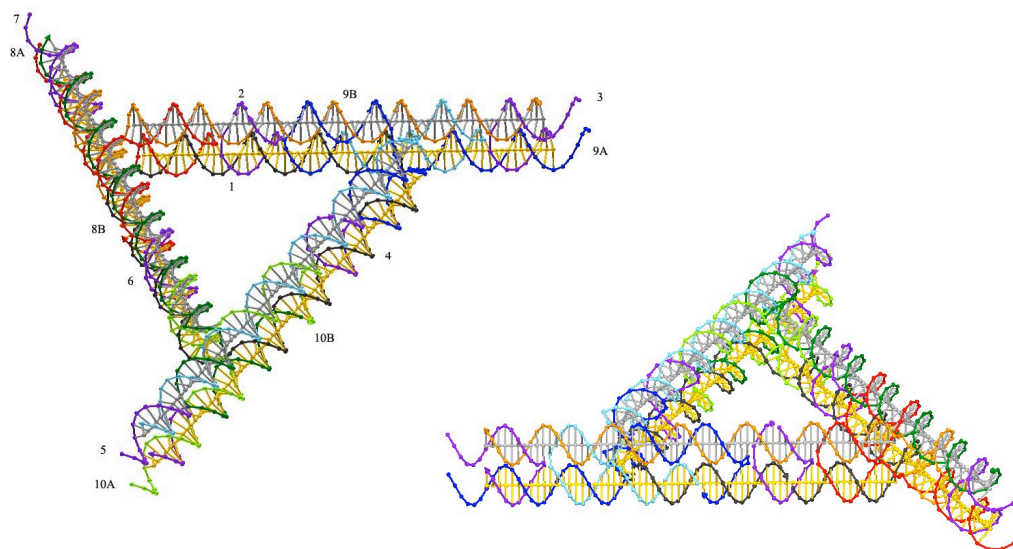
Baoquan Ding

Simple Bulged 3-Arm Junction Triangle (1996)



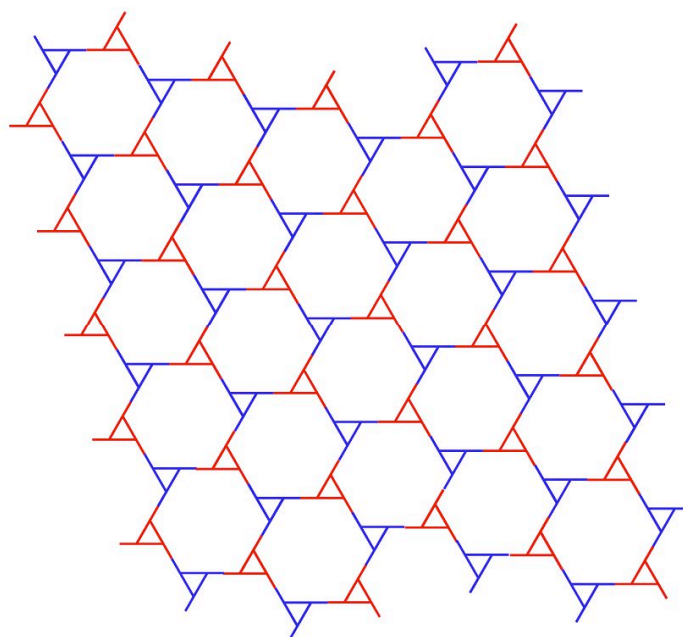
J. Qi, X. Li, X. Yang & N.C. Seeman,
J. Am. Chem. Soc., **118**, 6121-6130 (1996).

DX Bulged Triangle Motif



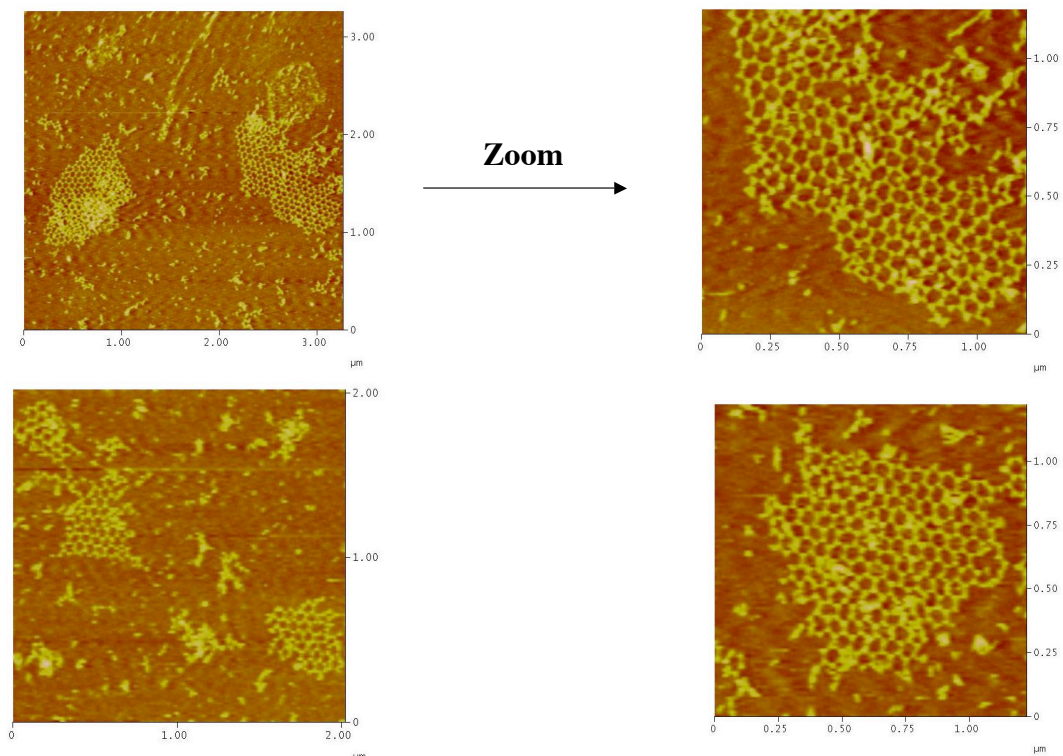
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Two Trigonal Motifs Form a Pseudo-hexagonal Trigonal Array



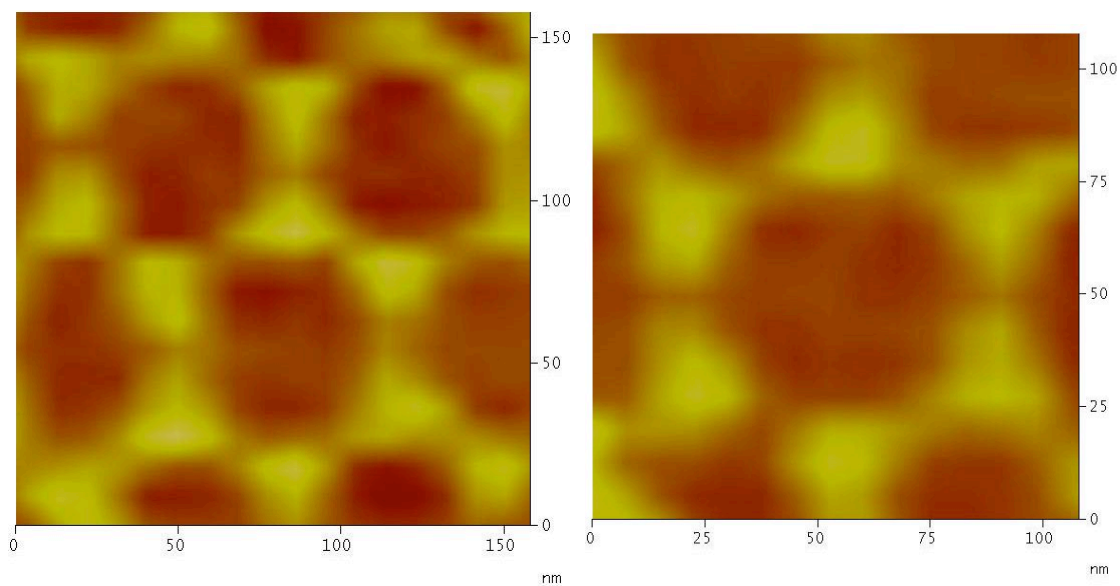
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Lattice Views



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Zoomed Images



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DIVERSIFYING THE CHEMISTRY

Organizing 5 and 10 nm Gold Nanoparticles

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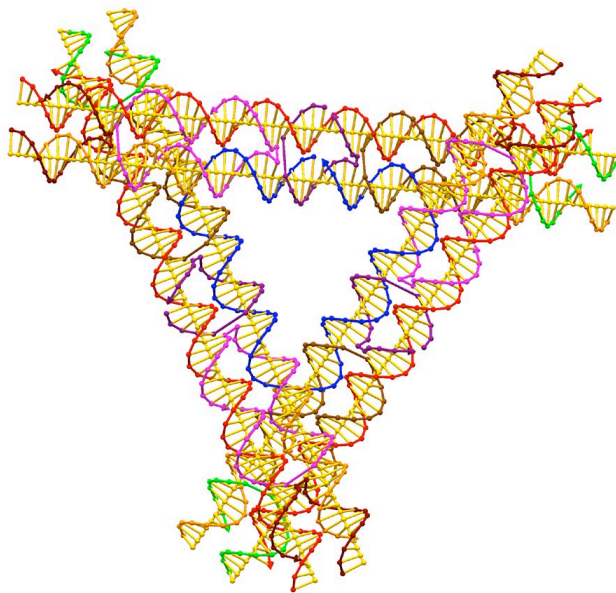
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Christine Micheel (Berkeley)

Paul Alivisatos (Berkeley)

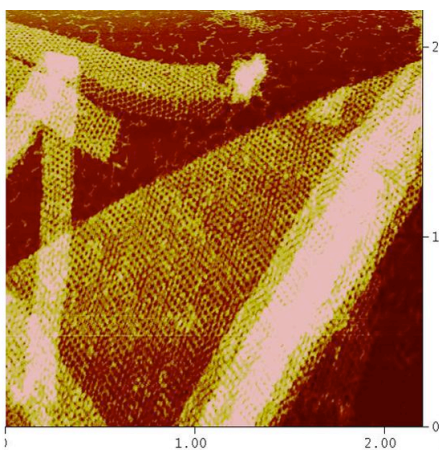
Rick Kiehl (Minnesota)

The 3D-DX Triangle: A DX Version of the Tensegrity 3D Triangle

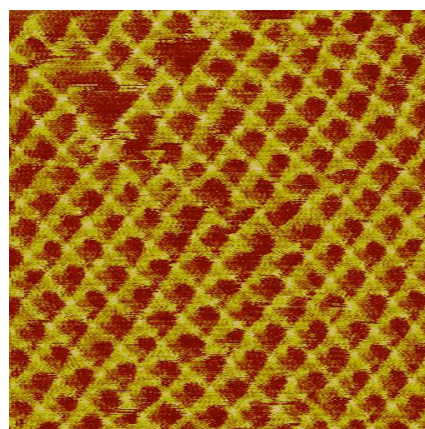


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YZ 2D Array of 3D-DX Triangle



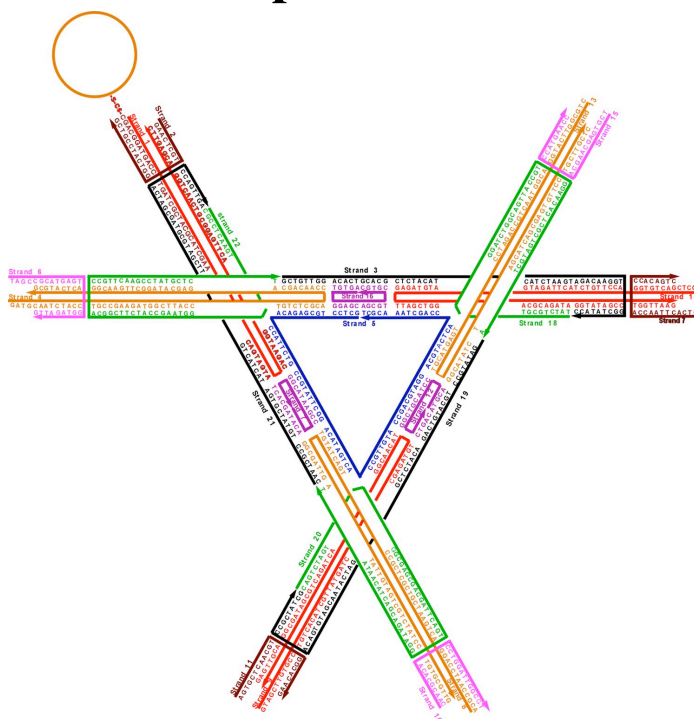
One Tile



Two Tiles

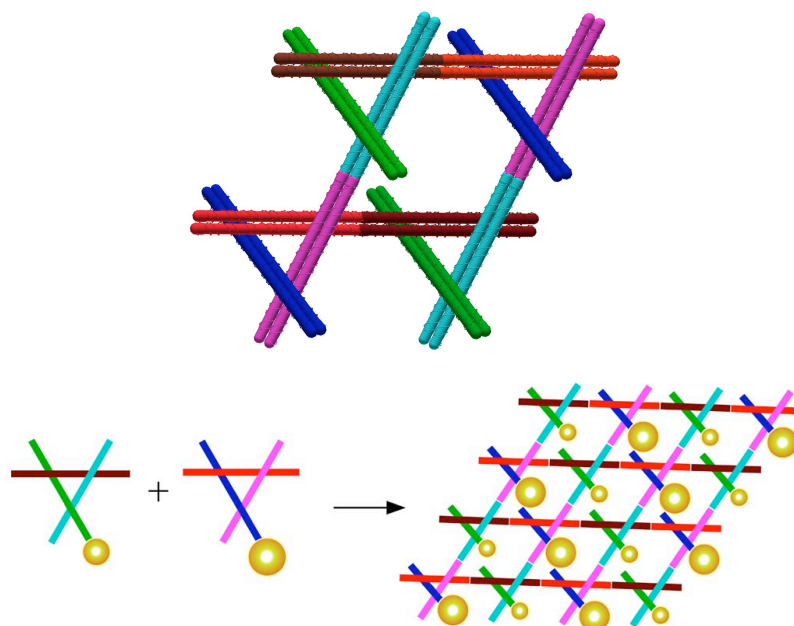
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Attachment of a Nanoparticle to the 3D-DX Motif



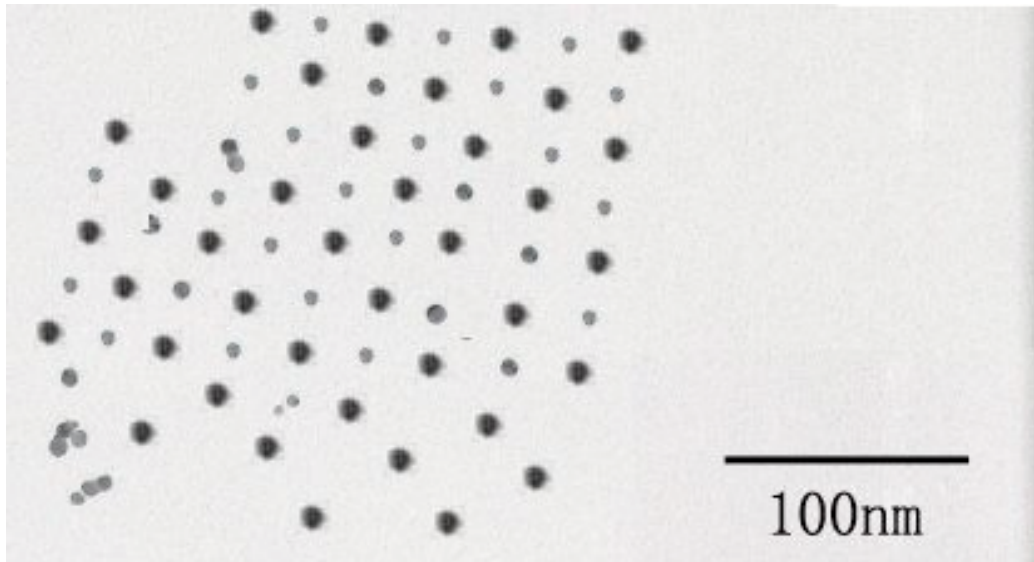
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Two Motifs Can Organize Nanoparticles



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Organized 5 nm and 10 nm Particles



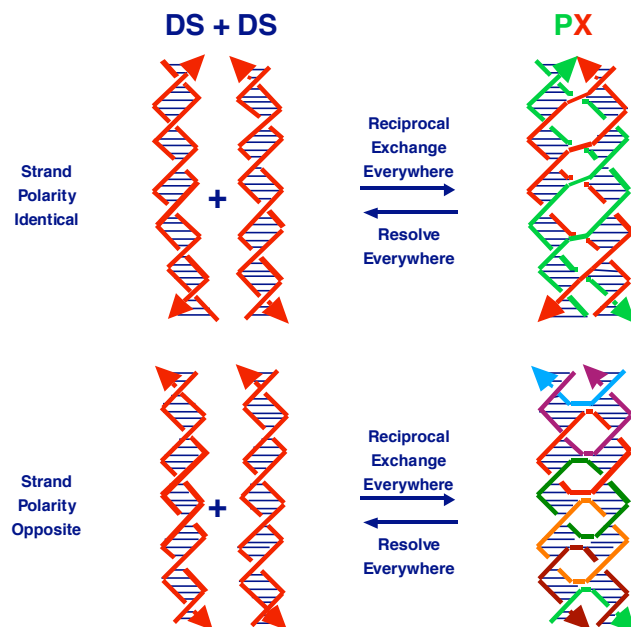
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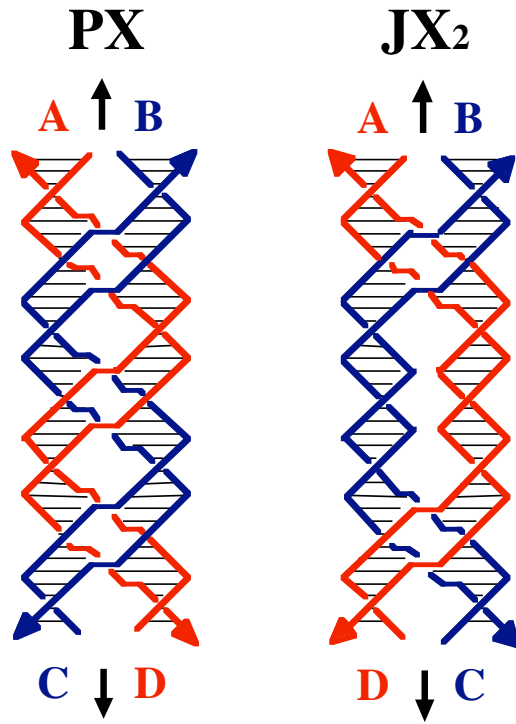
**FROM GENES TO
MACHINES:
DNA NANOMECHANICAL
DEVICES**

A Sequence-Dependent Device

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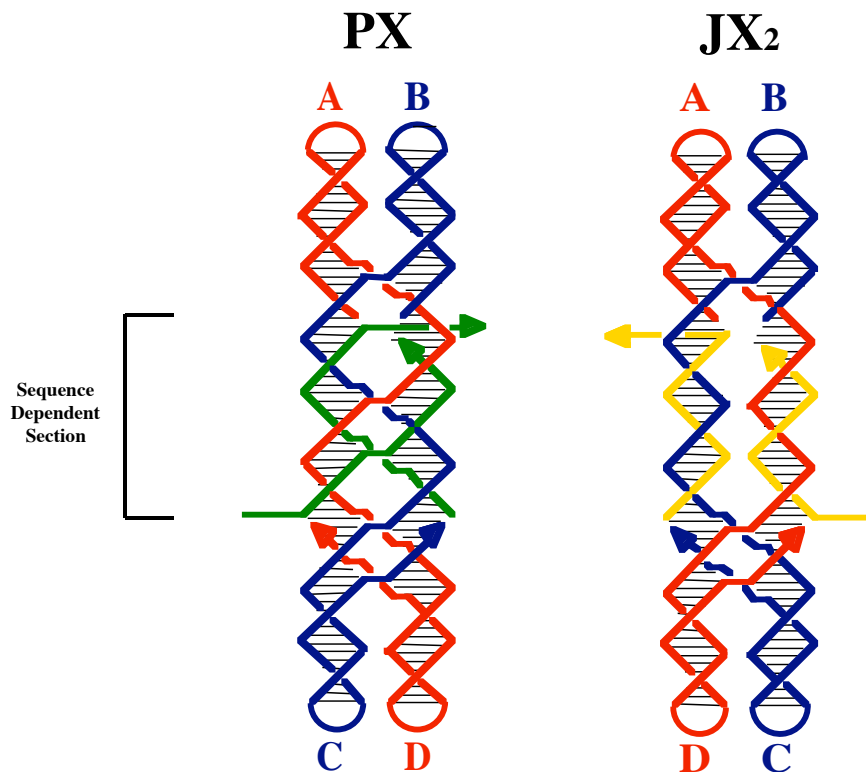
Derivation of PX DNA



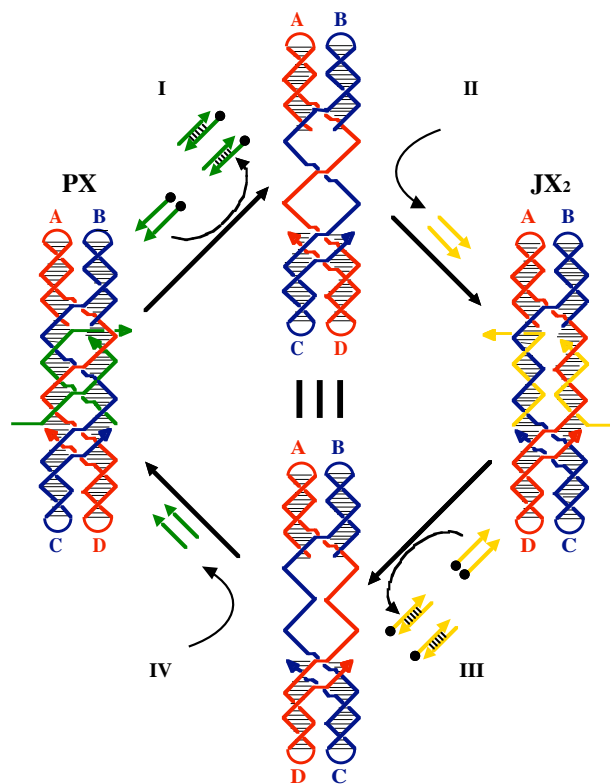


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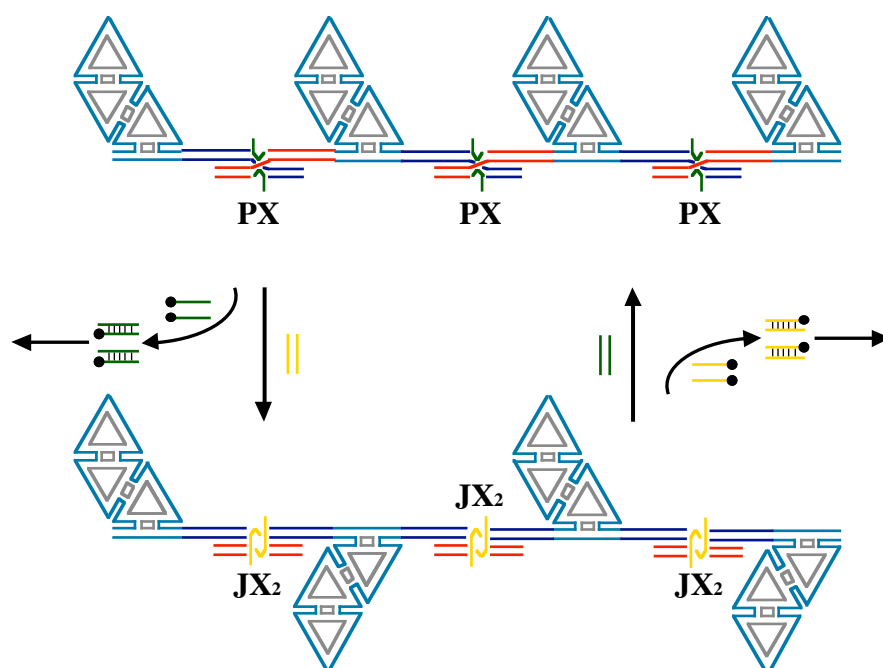
Switchable Versions of PX and JX₂



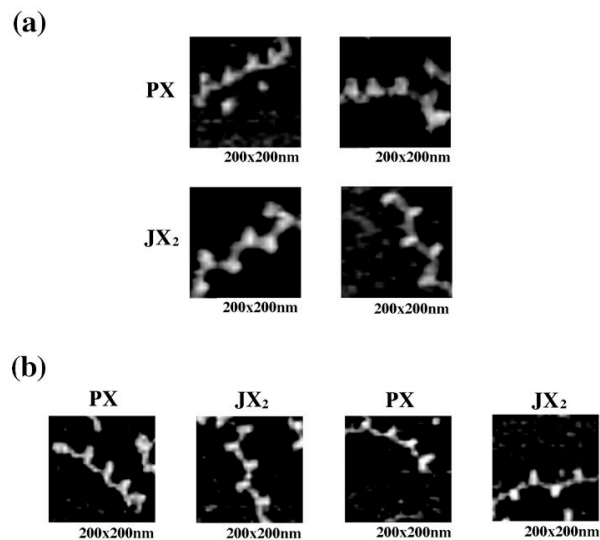
Machine Cycle of the PX-JX₂ Device



System to Test the PX-JX₂ Device



AFM Evidence for Operation of the PX-JX₂ Device

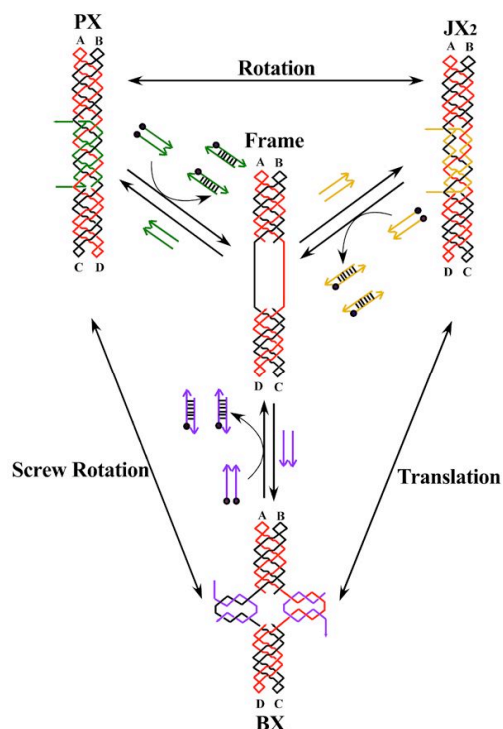


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**A Robust 3-State
Sequence-Dependent
Nanomechanical Device**

Banani Chakraborty

Three States of a Nanomechanical Device

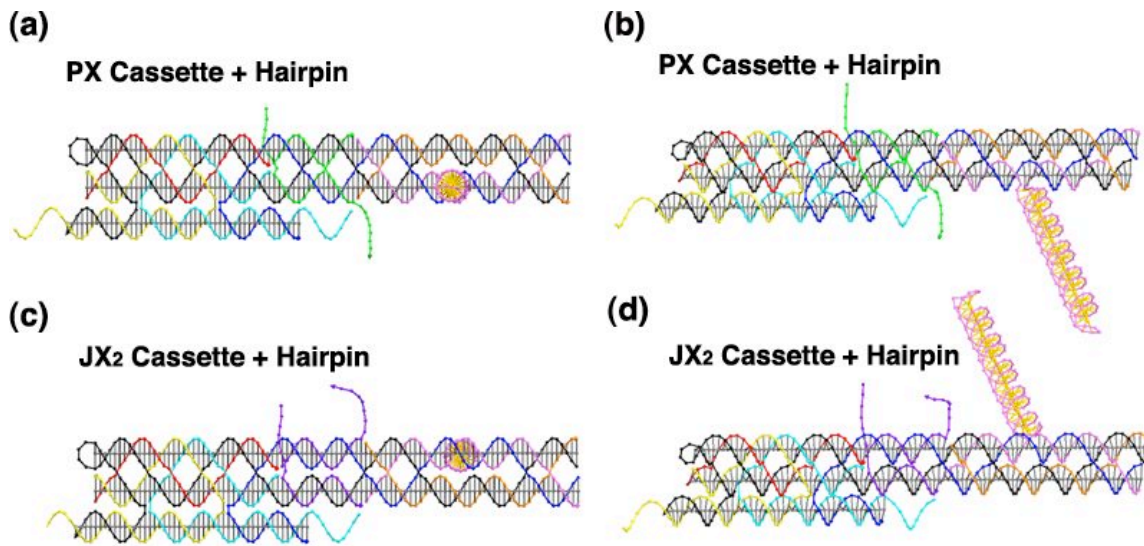


B. Chakraborty, R. Sha N.C. Seeman, (2008), *Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. (USA)* **105**, 17245-17249 (2008).

**Inserting a PX-JX₂
Device into a 2D Array**

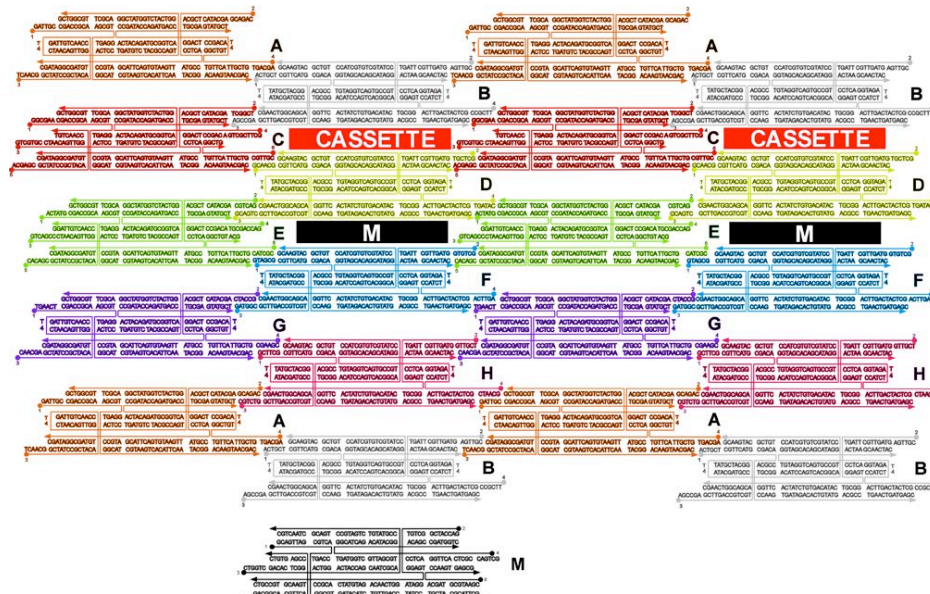
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Cassette To Be Inserted



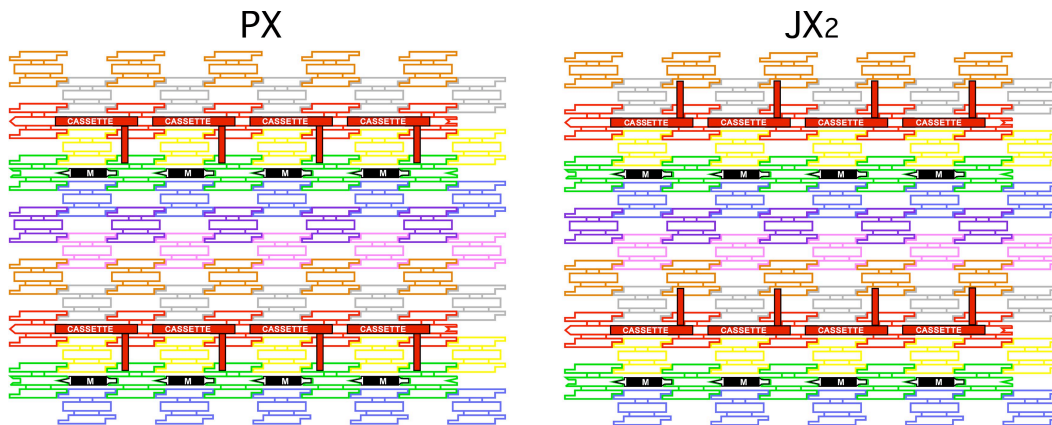
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Array for Insertion



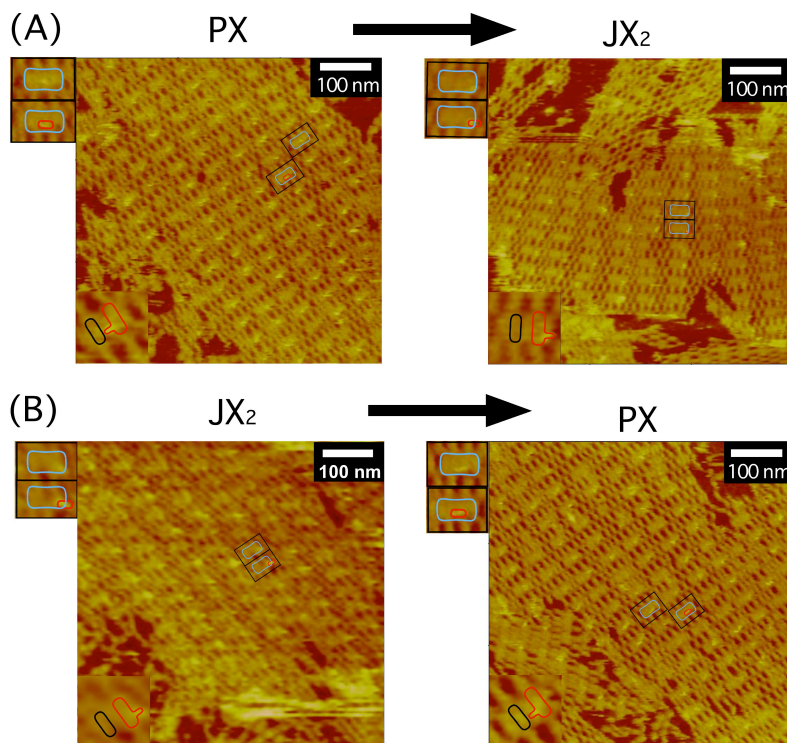
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Two States of the Array



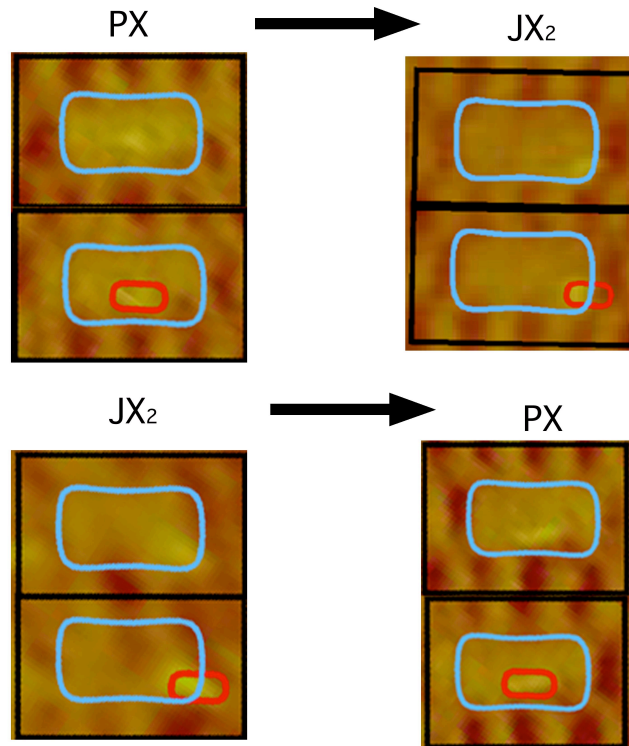
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Transitions in the Array



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Transitions in the Array (Zoom)

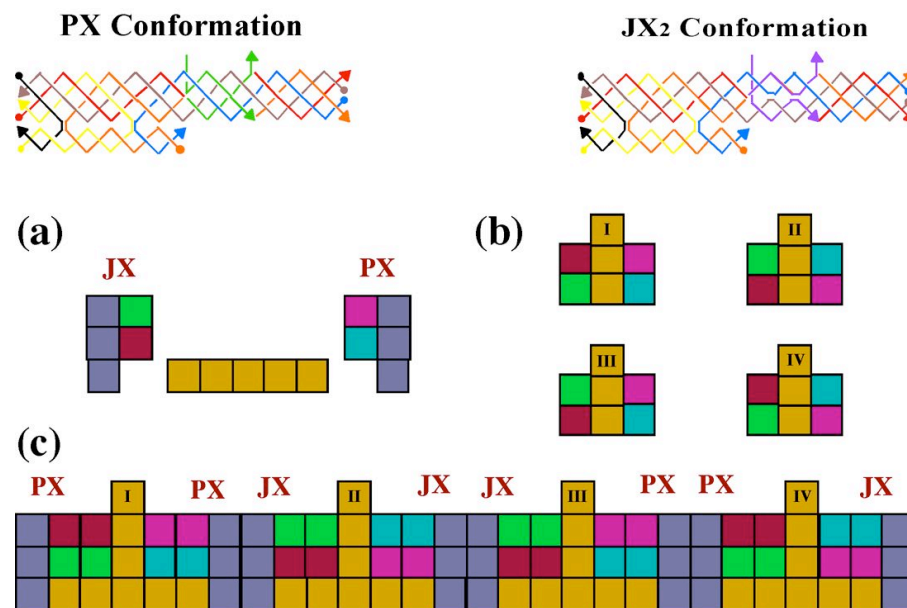


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**Pairs of Inserted
PX-JX₂ Devices Used
to Program a Pattern**

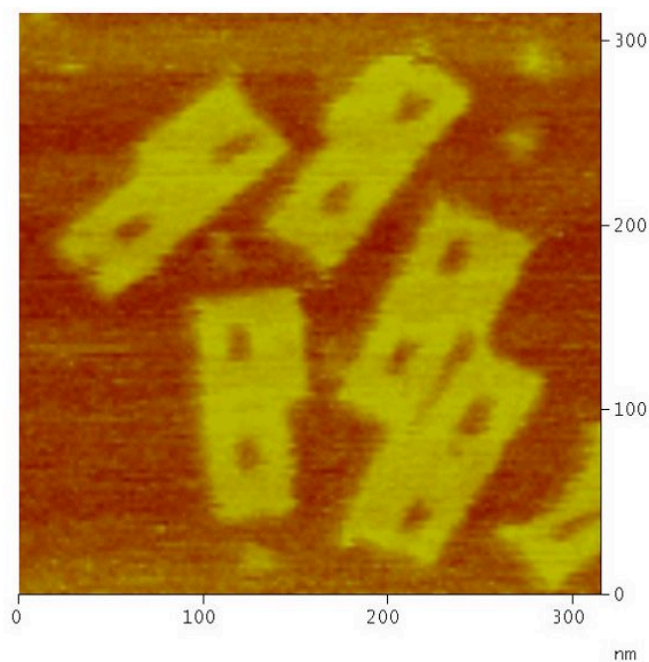
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Programming an Array for Assembly



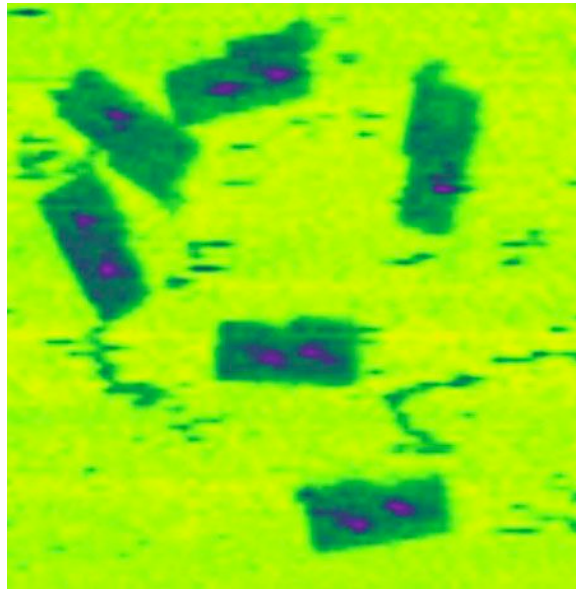
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AFM Image of Blank Origami Arrays for Insertion



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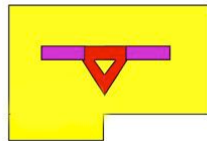
AFM Image of Origami Arrays with Inserted Cassettes



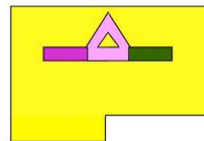
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Schematics of Programmed Patterns Made By Capturing Different Molecules

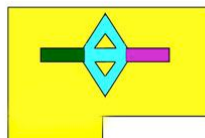
JX-JX



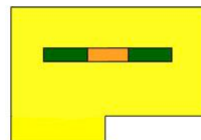
JX-PX



PX-JX

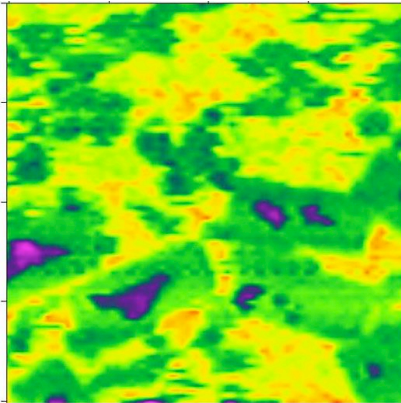
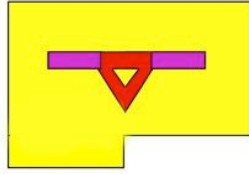


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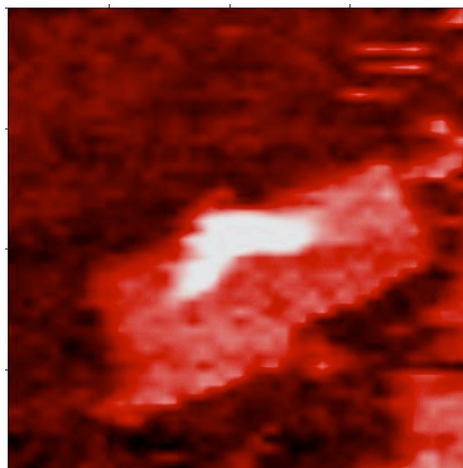
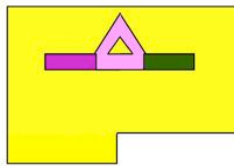
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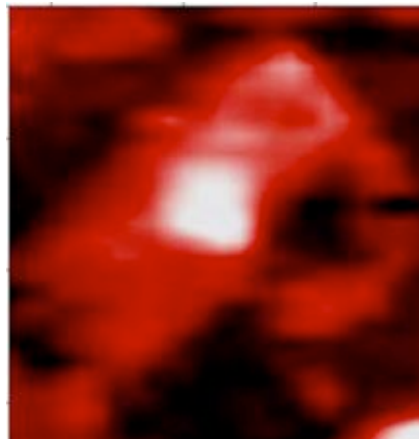
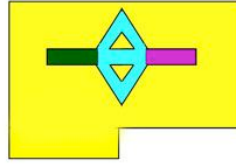
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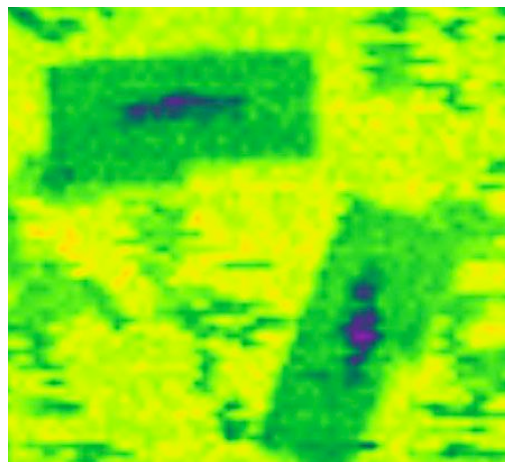
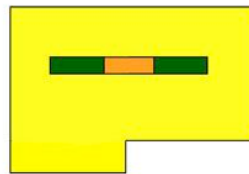
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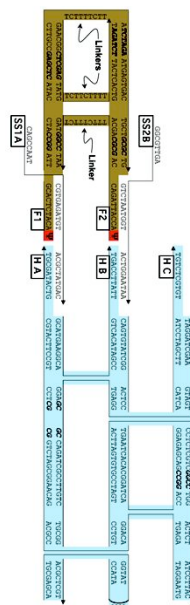


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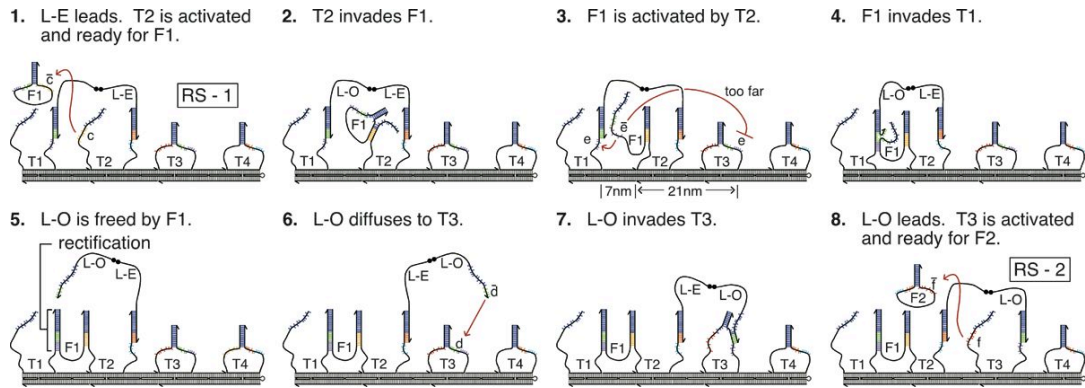
DNA Walking Bipod

Bill Sherman

Schematic of the Device and Sidewalk

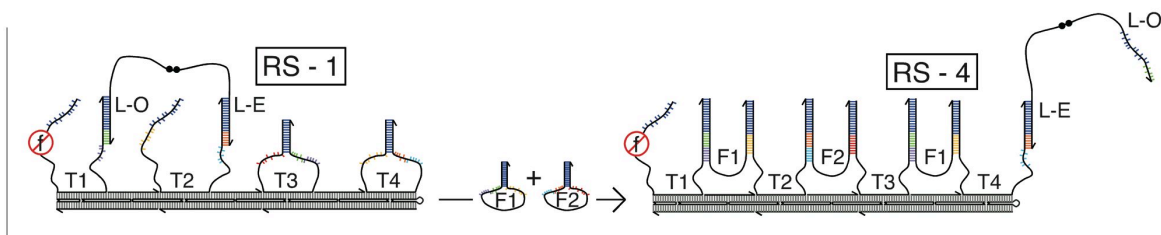


Autonomous Walker Movement



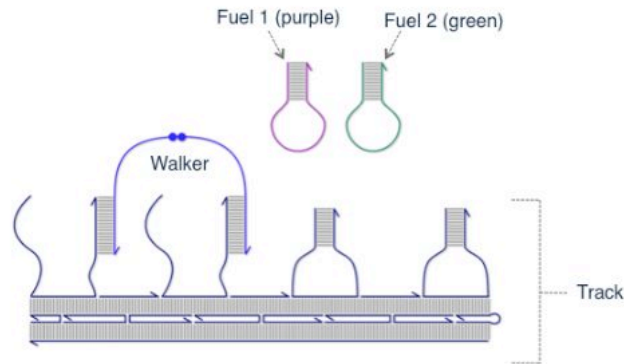
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Animation of the Autonomous Walker



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Summary of Results

- Polyhedral Catenanes, Knots and Borromean Rings can be Assembled from Branched DNA by Ligation.
- 2D Lattices with Tunable Features have been Made from Branched DNA Components.
- 3D Crystals have been Self-Assembled and their Structures have been Determined.
- Heterologous Species have been Included in DNA Nanoconstructs.
- Nanomechanical Devices have been Assembled from Branched DNA, including a Translation Device a Clocked Walker, and an Autonomous Walker. A Machine has been Incorporated into a 2D Lattice and Used to Capture Pattern Components.



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