

**csem** swiss center for electronics and microtechnology

# CSEM presents itself

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*technologies for innovation*

## CSEM – some key facts

*Private company, incorporated, with about 70 Shareholders*

*2003 :  
Revenues ~ 52 MCHF, Employees ~ 280*

*Activities: Applied research, industrialization of technologies and product development*

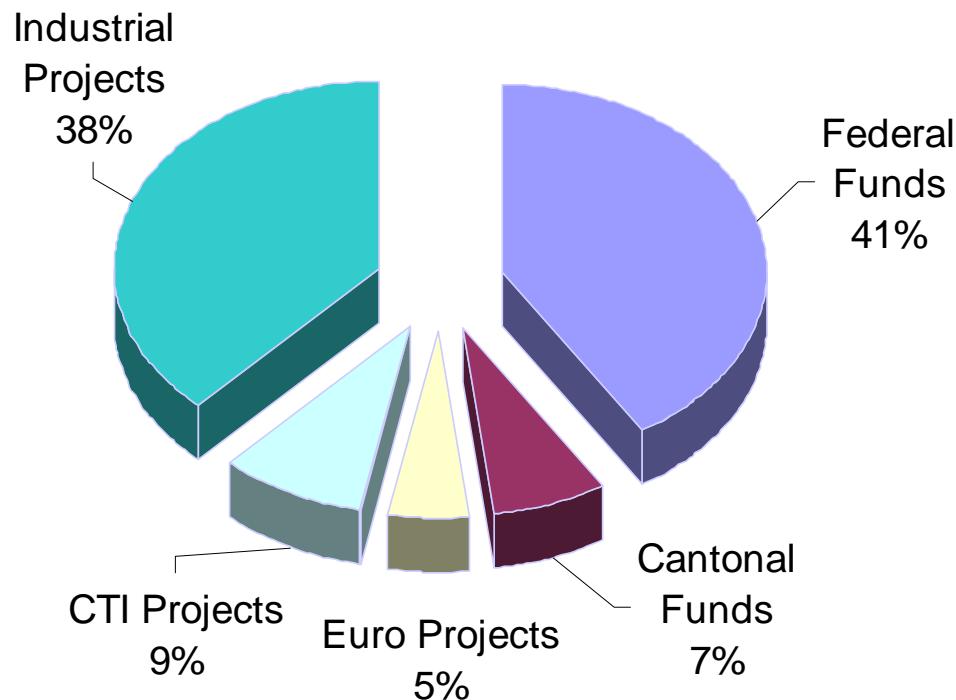
*Areas of activity: Micro- and Nanotechnologies, System Engineering*

*Headquarters in Neuchâtel,  
Additional sites in Zurich and Alpnach*

## Why CSEM in Neuchâtel ?

- CSEM was created on September 3, 1984 (20 years!) out of two institutes dedicated to R&D in watch making
  - Centre Electronique Horloger (CEH)
  - Laboratoire Suisse des Recherches Horlogères (LSRH)
- Neuchâtel is geographically placed approximately in the center of the Swiss watch making region
- Neuchâtel has a university (approx. 3000 students)

## Revenues



Total 2003:  
52 MCHF

## Areas of Activity

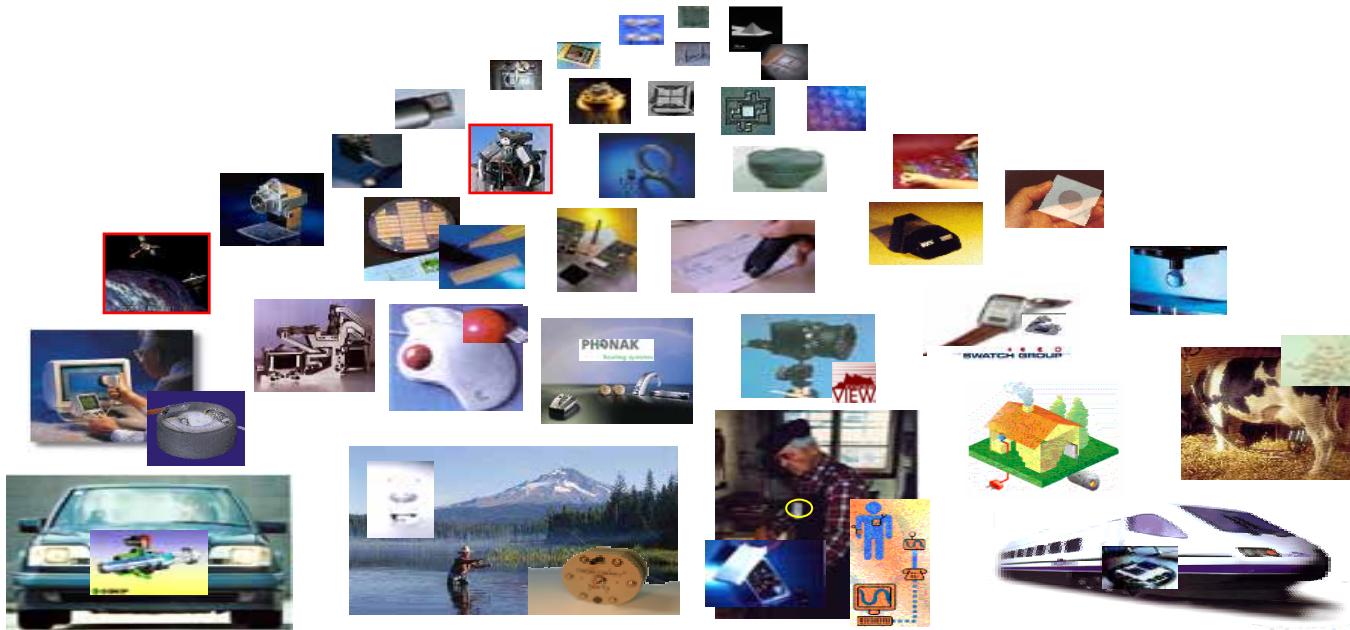
- Microelectronics
- Systems Engineering
- Mechatronics
- Microsystems
- Nanotechnology
- Photonics
- Robotics



*With a special emphasis  
to Microsystems Technology  
(MEMS, MOEMS, BioMEMS,  
RF, etc.), a very fast  
growing new product technology*

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# CSEM Technology in Customers' Products



- Hundreds of customers, small, medium and large, in Switzerland and abroad
- 600 patents at disposal of our customers
- CHF 40 MCHF per year of technology transfer

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## CSEM Technology in its start-ups (1997-2003)



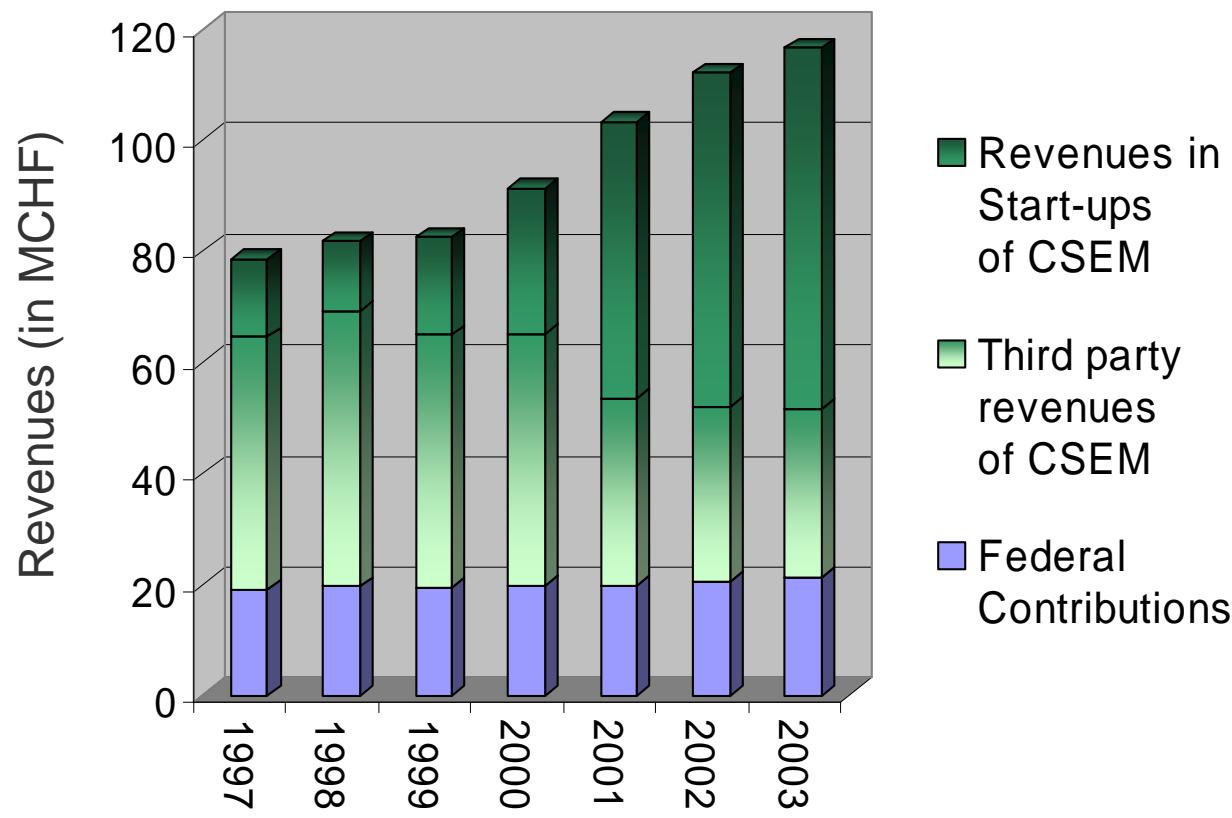
Revenues (2003):  
~ 60 MCHF

VC Capital (1998-2003):  
More than 100 MCHF

More than 300 new  
Jobs

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## Impact of CSEM



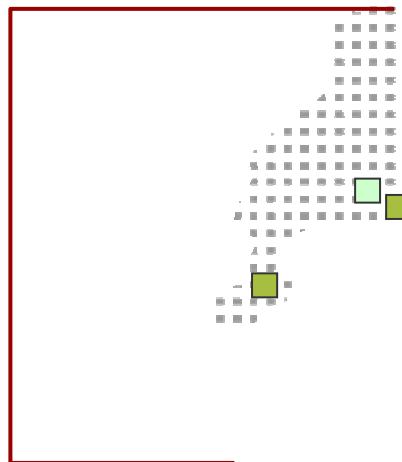
*„Public Private Partnership“*

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## CSEM's network in Switzerland

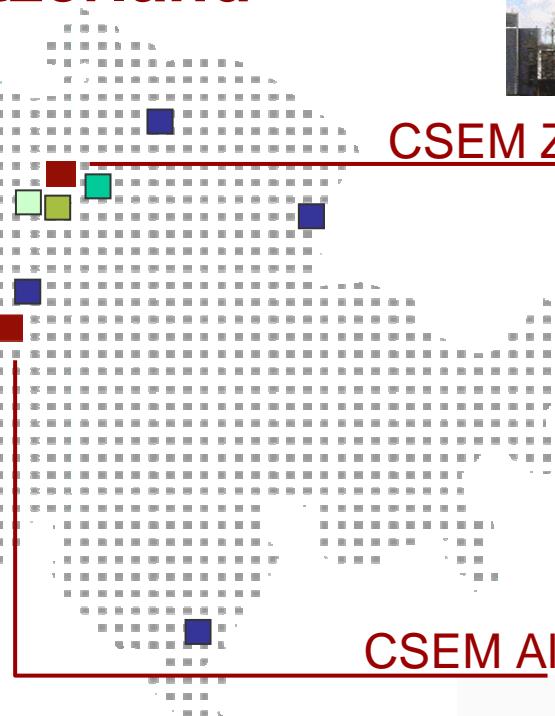


CSEM Neuchâtel



CSEM Zürich

CSEM Alpnach



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## CSEM's network in Europe



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## Prizes recently received

*IEEE Solid-State Circuits Technical Field Trophy 2004*



*Swiss Technology Award 2004*



*European IST Trophy 2004*



*IHMA Holography Trophy 2003*



*German Science Foundation Award 2002*

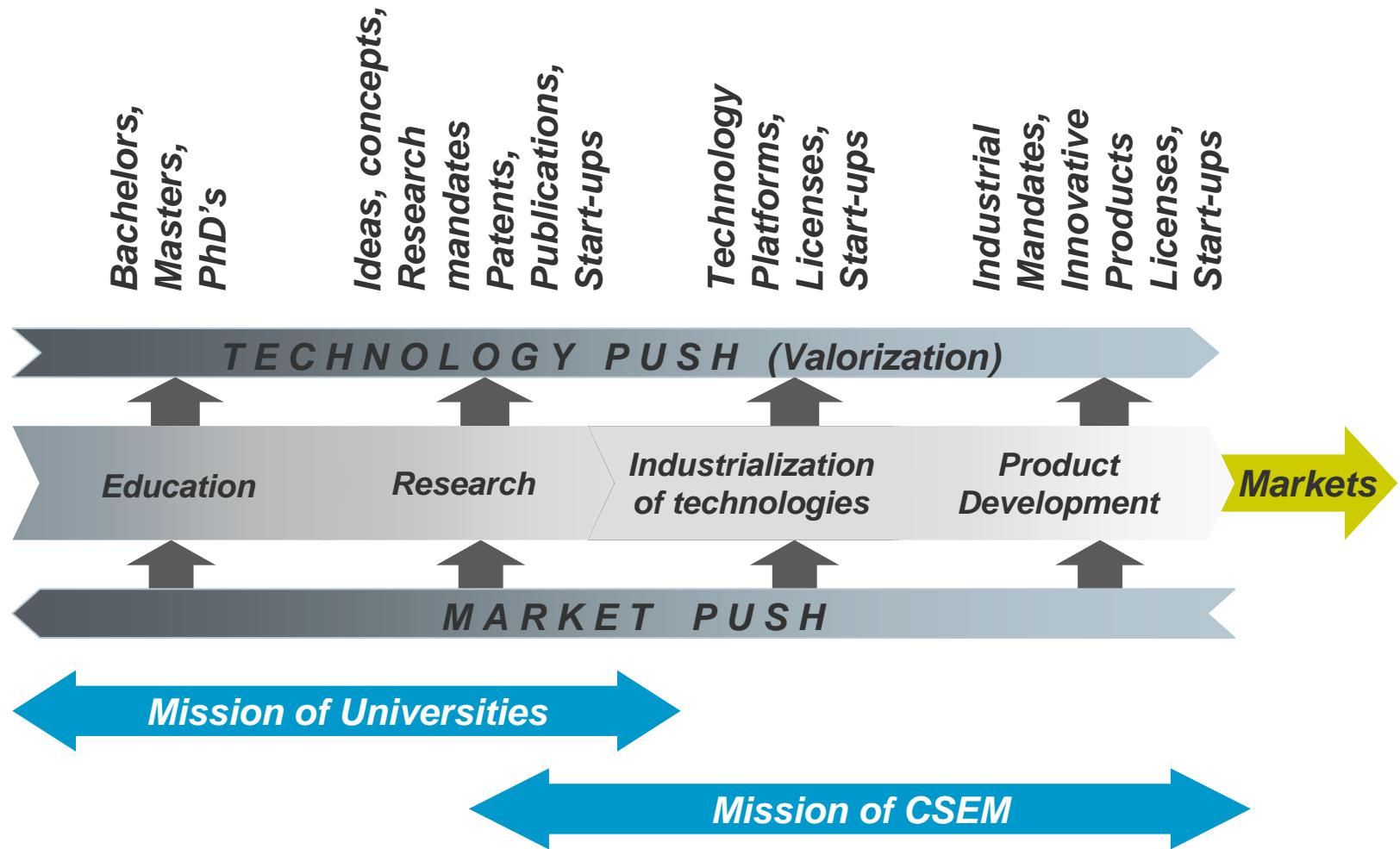


# **CSEM's Mission:**

## **Accelerate Innovation**

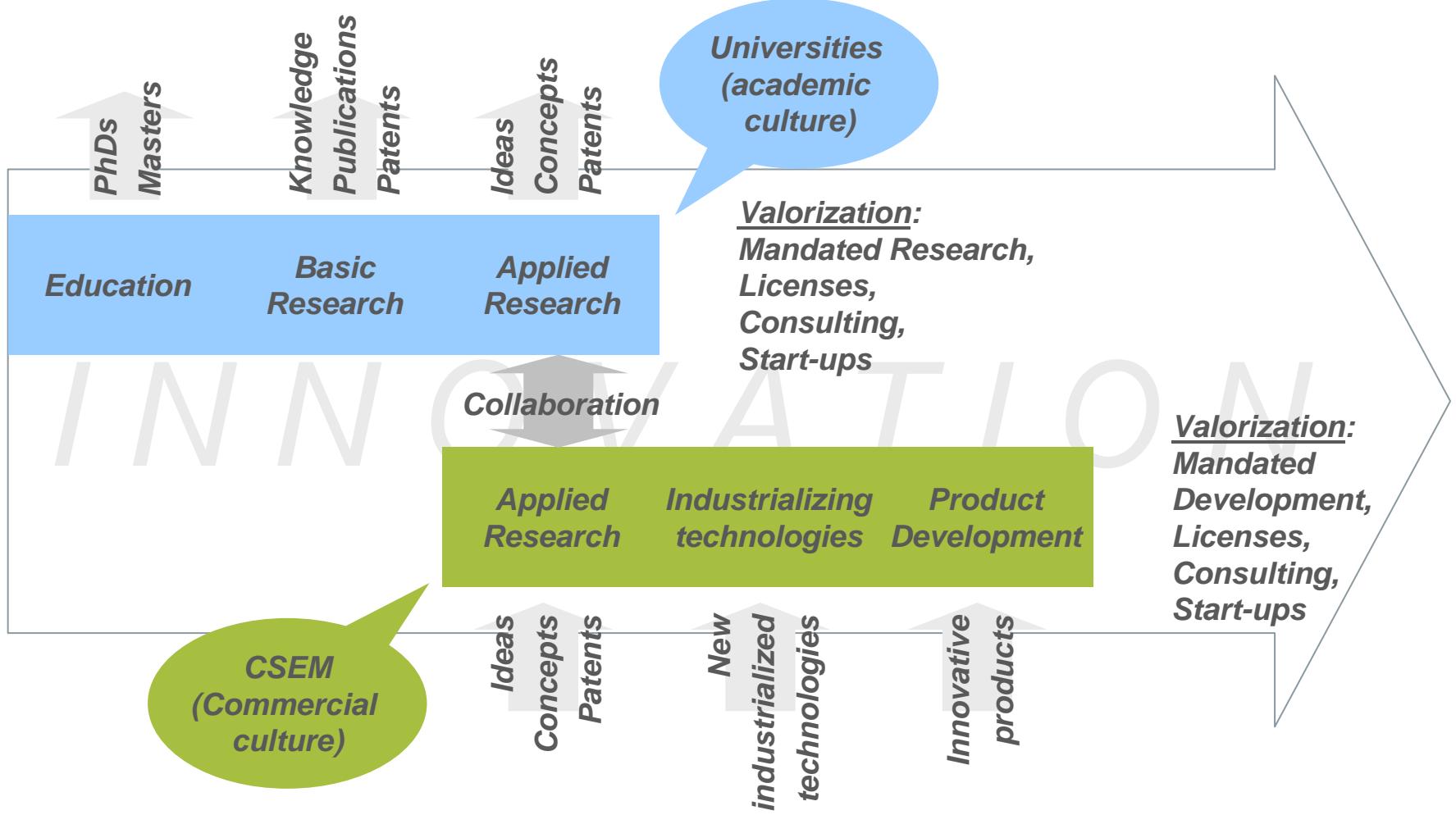
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# The Innovation Chain in Micro- et Nanotechnology



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## Roles of CSEM and of the Universities



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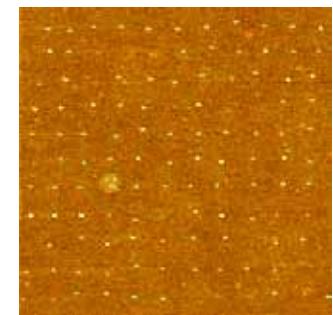
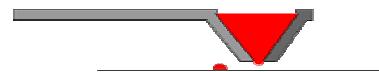
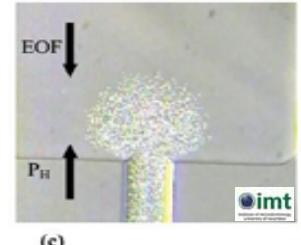
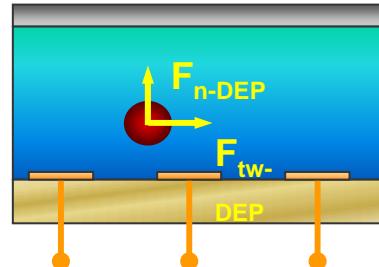
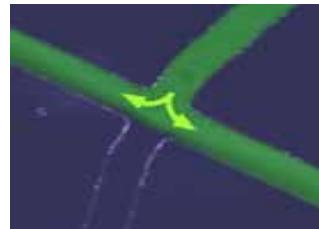
## **Roles of Federal and Local Governments**

- Federal Government: Long Term Contract
  - Applied Research Program, annually submitted:  
divisional research, horizontal programs, funding IMT
  - Annual Presentation & Reviews by a group of experts
  - internal CSEM Research Committee to manage program
- Local Government: the Canton (State) is shareholder
  - no contribution to operating costs
  - support of extraordinary actions

## Application to Life Sciences

### I. Liquid Handling

- fluidic networks
- particle handling
- nanofluidics
- deposition of ultrasmall volumes  
→ writing of microarrays, ...
- operation of N probes in parallel,  
PROBART for life science applications:  
→ microarrays, HTS, NADIS, ...

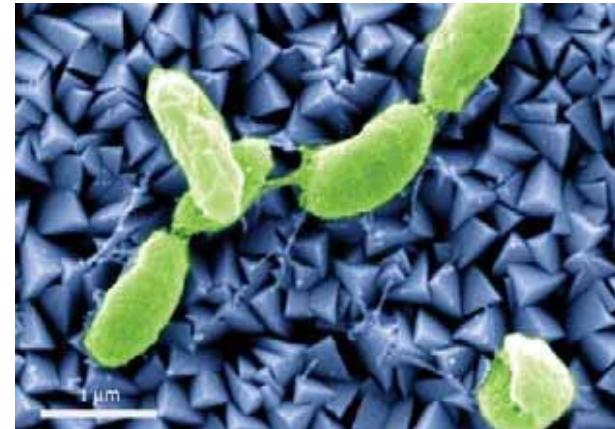
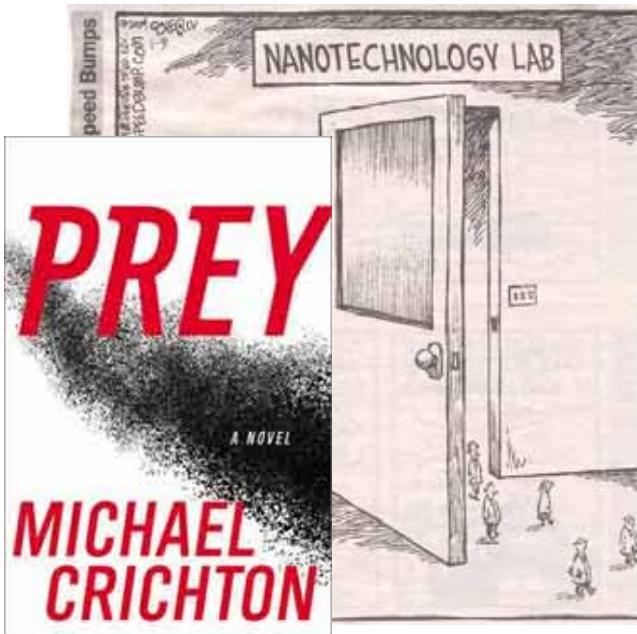


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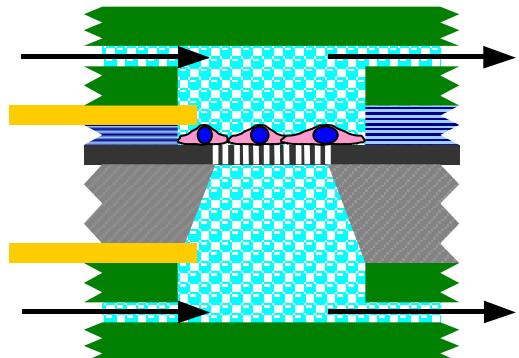
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## II. Nanomaterials / Risk Assessment

- nanoparticles (q-dots, CNT, ...)
- nanotopographies for cell adhesion



- nanoparticle translocation charact.  
with European  
partners, e.g.  
U Glasgow ...



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*Thank you for your attention.*