

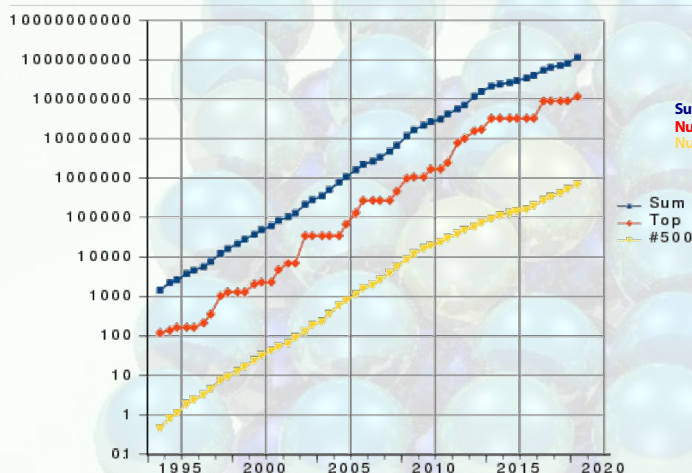
## MATERIALS ARE KEY TO SOCIETAL WELL BEING

We need novel materials for:

- **Energy harvesting, conversion, storage, efficiency**
- **Environmental protection and reparation**
- **Information and communication technologies**
- **High-tech and high-value industries**
- **Health care and biomedical engineering**
- **Pharmaceuticals** (crystallization, stability, polytypes)
- **Monitoring, provenance, and safety of foods**
- **Fundamental science** (graphene and 2D materials, topological insulators, entangled spins for quantum computing, high-T<sub>c</sub>)
- **Experimental science** (detectors, sensors, magnets)



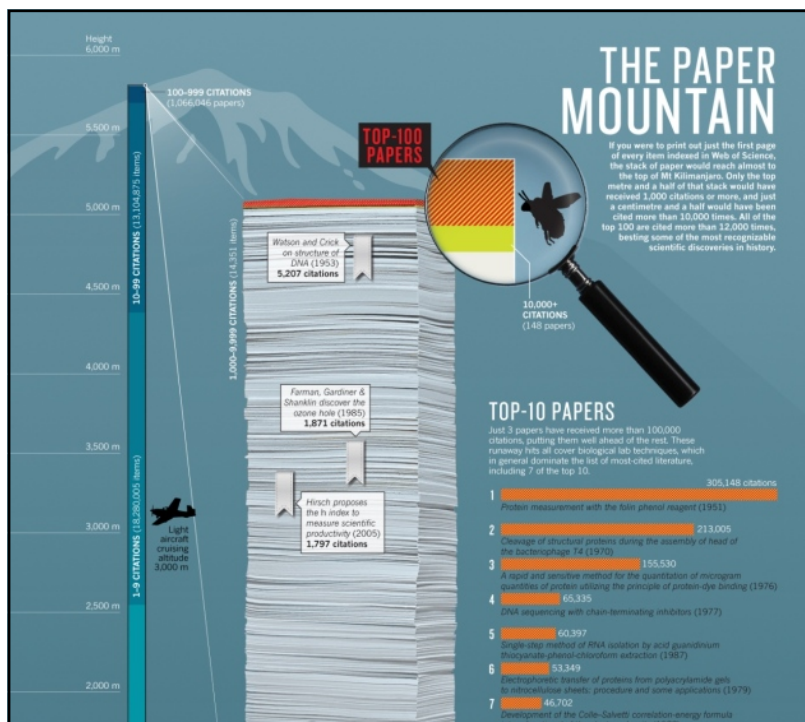
## THE BUSINESS MODEL



Computing power 1993-2018

Sum of the top 500 supercomputers  
 Number 1  
 Number 500

If brick-and-mortar laboratories were to follow this pace, an experiment that took **one year in 1989** would take **one second in 2018** (30-million-fold increase)

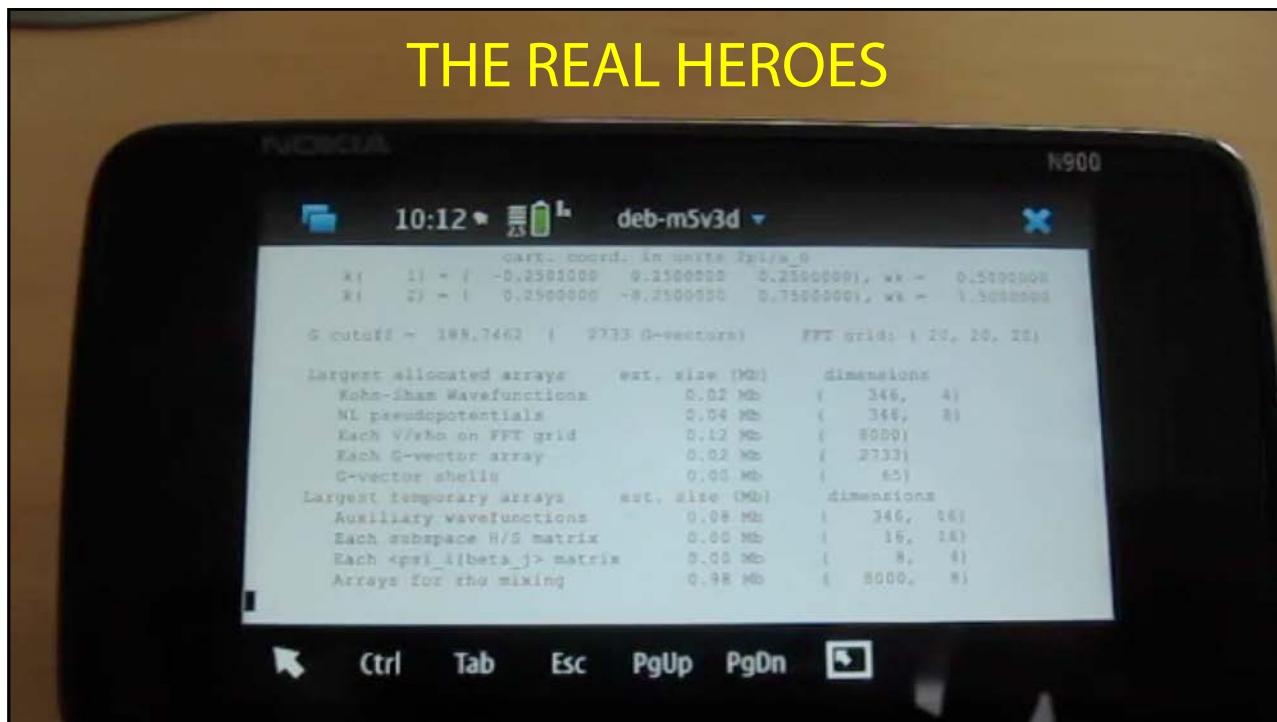


## NATURE, October 2014

**THE TOP 100 PAPERS:**  
**12 papers on DFT**  
**in the top-100 most cited papers in the entire scientific literature, ever.**



## THE REAL HEROES



## A SMALL STEP FOR A CELLPHONE, A GIANT LEAP FOR COMPUTERKIND



## GREAT ENTHUSIASM FOR MATERIALS DISCOVERY

The collage features several scientific publications and a conference banner:

- nature materials** REVIEW ARTICLE: "The high-throughput highway to computational materials design" (Published Online: 20 FEBRUARY 2013 | DOI: 10.1038/NMAT2668)
- nature chemistry** REVIEW ARTICLE: "Towards the computational design of solid catalysts" (Published Online: 19 MARCH 2009 | DOI: 10.1038/NCHEM.121)
- Physics** (spotlighting exceptional research): "Viewpoint: Materials Prediction Scores a Hit" (Published October 7, 2013 | Physics 6, 109 (2013) | DOI: 10.1103/Physics.6.109). Author: Filip Ronning and John L. Sarrazo, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545, USA. Subtext: "Calculations predicting a new high-pressure superconductor are borne out by experiment."
- LETTERS**: "Where are nature's missing structures?"
- editorial**: "Fuelling discovery by sharing"
- Gordon Research Conferences** banner: "Structural Predictions at Extreme Conditions: Are Experiments Still Necessary?" (7:40 pm - 9:30 pm). Discussion Leader: John Tse (University of Saskatoon).

## MAJOR EFFORTS WORLDWIDE

### 2011 – US: the Materials Genome Initiative

Materials Project (Berkeley), SUNCAT (Stanford), AFLOW (Duke), CHiMaD (NIST)

### 2014 – 2026 CH: 18 MCHF MARVEL (Computational Design and Discovery of Novel Materials)

2015 – UK: 8.6 MGBP, Materials Computational Discovery Centre, U. Liverpool

### 2015 – H2020: 14 M€, Centres of Excellence on materials' simulations:

MaX – Materials Design at the Exascale (renewed for 2018-21); NoMaD – Novel Materials Discovery, E-CAM – Simulation and Modelling

2015 - US DOE: 60 M\$, 5 Centers on Comp. Materials Science, 4-years renewable: U. Chicago, UC Berkeley, Rutgers, ORNL, USC

2016 – DK: 22 M\$, Villum Centre for the Science of Sustainable Fuels and Chemicals (DTU Lyngby and Stanford)

2016 – US NSF: 35 M\$, 2 Institutes on Scientific Software, 5 years: MolSSI (Stony Brook), Molecular Sciences Software Institute; SGCI (US San Diego) Science Gateways Community Institute

2017 - US Simons Foundation, 15 M\$/year, Center on Computational Quantum Physics

2017 - US Toyota Research Institutes, 35 M\$, Predictive Battery Performance



## MATERIALS MODELLING

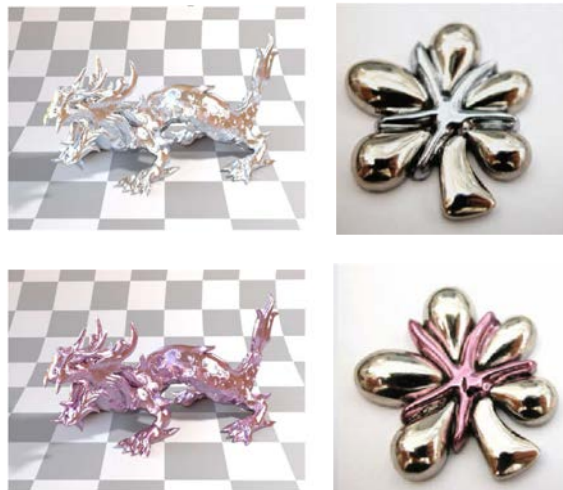
# The frontiers and the challenges

Materials simulations have become a dominant force in the world of science and technology. The intellectual challenges lying ahead to sustain such a paradigm shift are discussed.

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- 1) **PREDICTIVE ACCURACY**
- 2) **REALISTIC COMPLEXITY**
- 3) **MATERIALS' INFORMATICS**

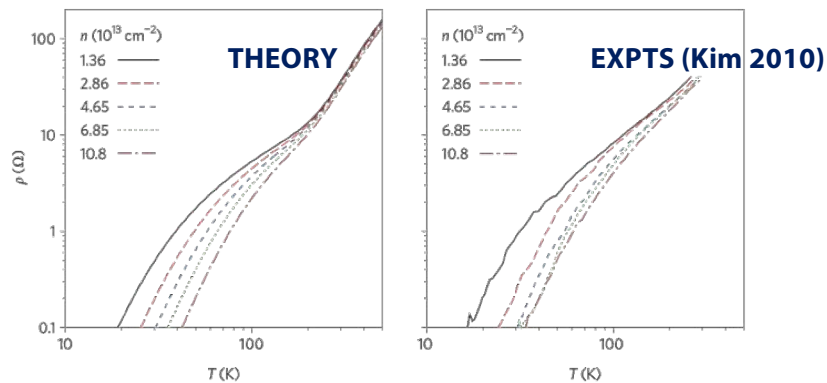
## HOW WELL CAN WE REPRODUCE THE REAL WORLD?



with Gianluca Prandini (EPFL) and Gian-Marco Rignanese (UC Louvain)



## ELECTRICAL RESISTIVITY (TEMP, DOPING)

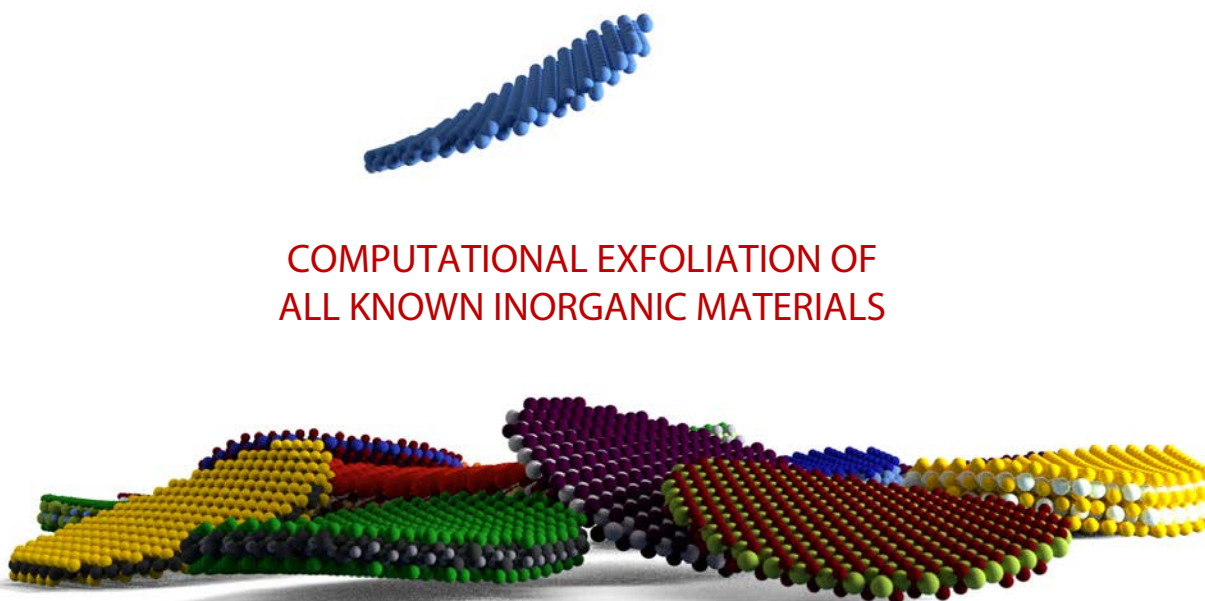


**Figure 1** | Electrical resistivity of graphene as a function of temperature and doping ( $\rho$ , electrical resistivity;  $T$ , temperature;  $n$ , carrier density). Left panel: first-principles results obtained using a combination of density-functional perturbation theory, many-body perturbation theory and Wannier interpolations to solve the Boltzmann transport equation. Right panel: experimental data. Adapted from ref. 4, American Chemical Society.

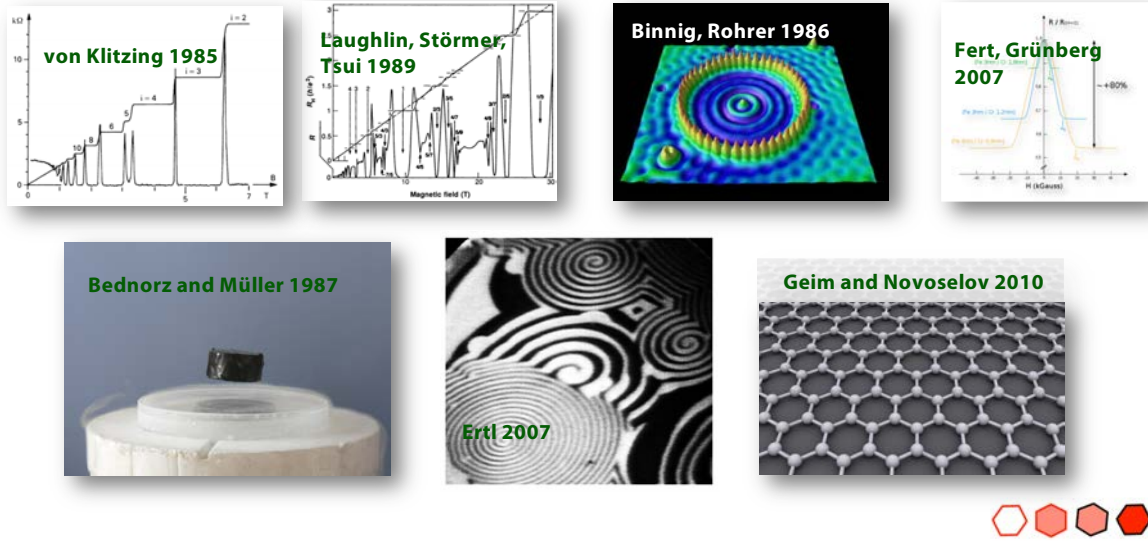
C.-H. Park *et al.*, *Nano Letters* (2014)  
T. Y. Kim, C.-H. Park, and N. Marzari, *Nano Letters* (2016)



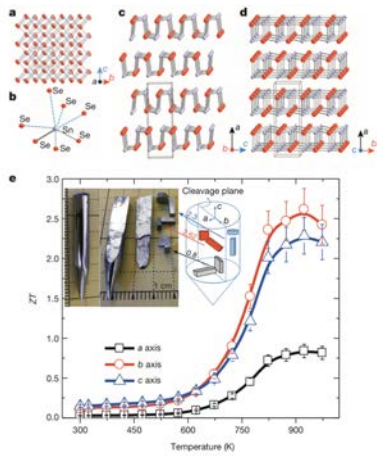
## COMPUTATIONAL EXFOLIATION OF ALL KNOWN INORGANIC MATERIALS



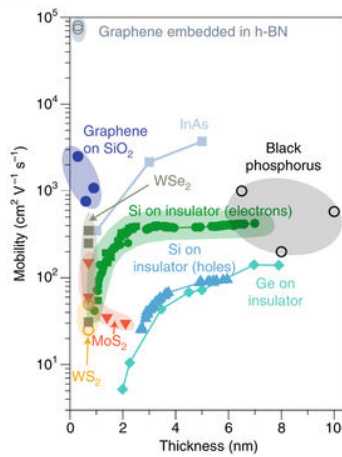
# PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY IN LOW DIMENSIONS



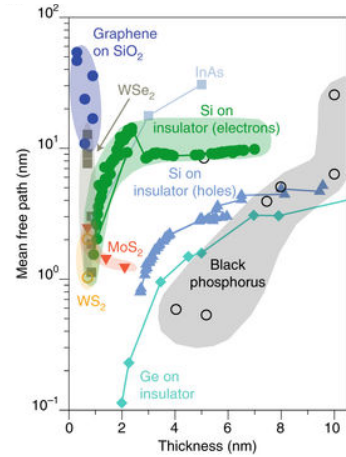
# WHY LAYERED OR LOW-DIMENSIONAL MATERIALS?



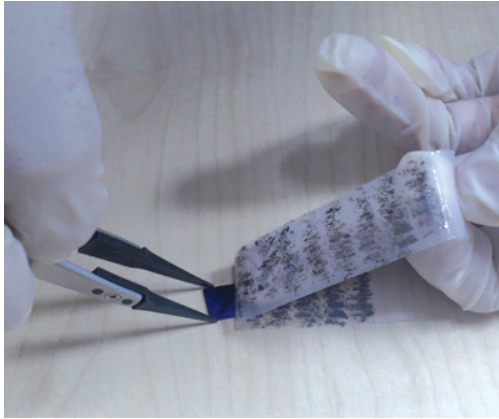
M. Kanatzidis, nature 13184 (2014)



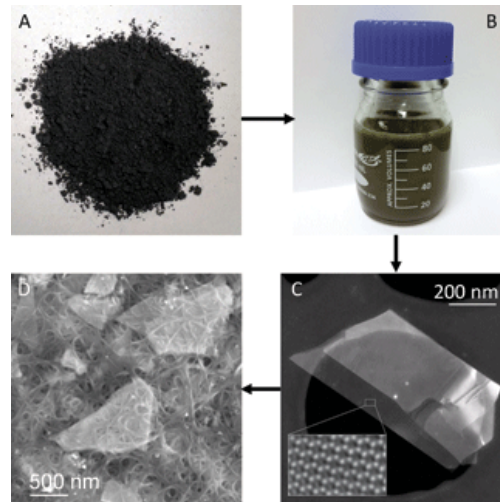
G. Iannaccone et al., Nature Nano (2018)



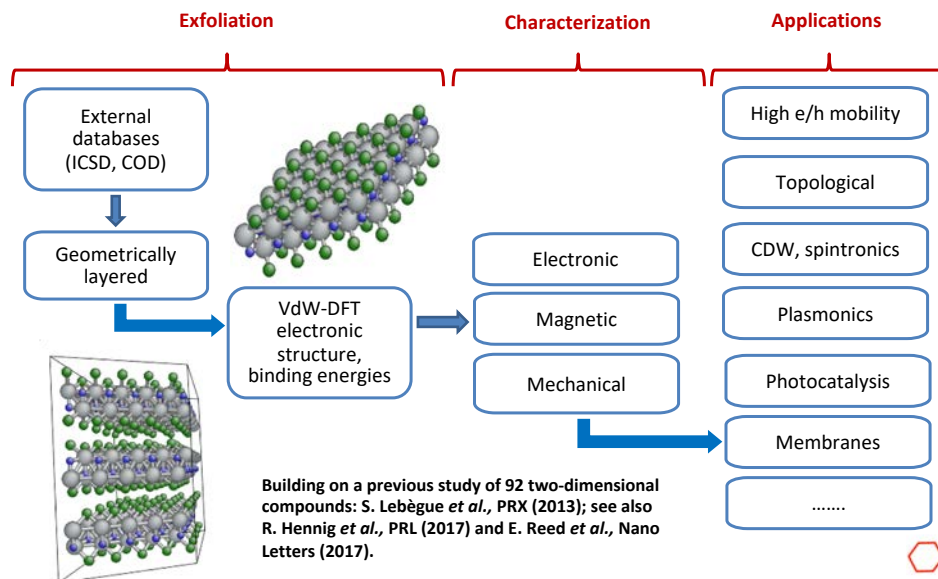
## HOW DO WE PRODUCE 2D MATERIALS?



**Mechanical** (e.g. Geim/Novoselov, fig. from Nature/NUS) or **liquid exfoliation** (e.g. Nicolosi/Coleman, fig. from Science). Also, bottom-up: **CVD and wet chemical synthesis**.

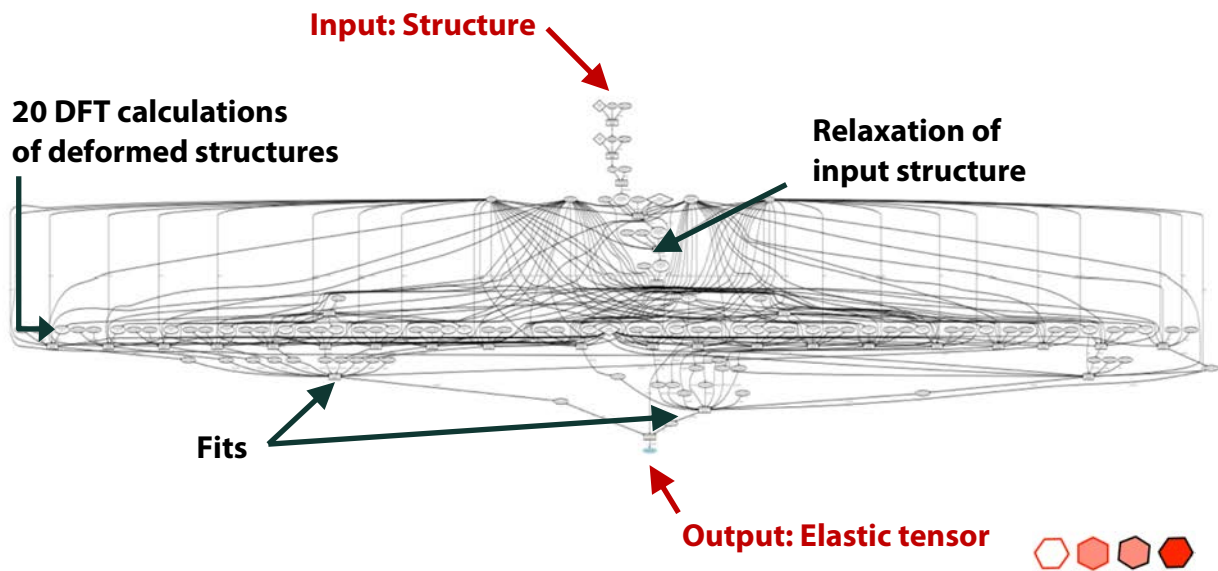


## HIGH-THROUGHPUT COMPUTATIONAL EXFOLIATION





## AUTOMATIC WORKFLOWS: FROM STRUCTURE TO PROPERTY



## COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE AS A MIDDLE-AGES WORKSHOP



## COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE SHOULD BE...

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### reproducible

often not possible from the data  
reported in papers

### searchable

find existing calculations,  
reuse them and data-mine

### reliable

results persisted in repositories,  
automated procedures to  
reduce errors and verify results

### shareable

community to share results,  
cross-validate them, and boost  
scientific discovery



## OPEN SCIENCE PLATFORM FOR MATERIALS DISCOVERY



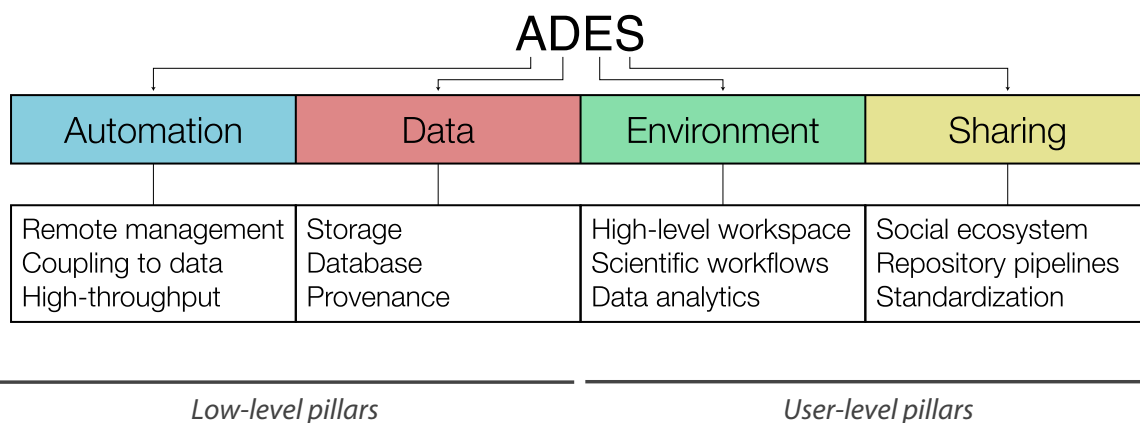
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## ADES MODEL FOR COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE



**G. Pizzi et al., *Comp. Mat. Sci.* 111, 218 (2016)**



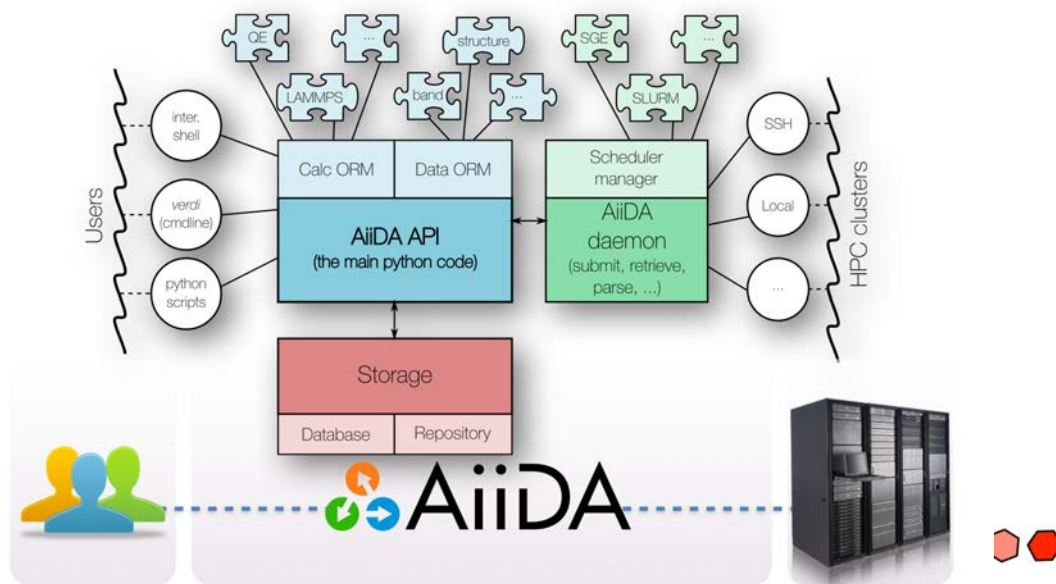
**Automation      Data      Environment      Sharing**



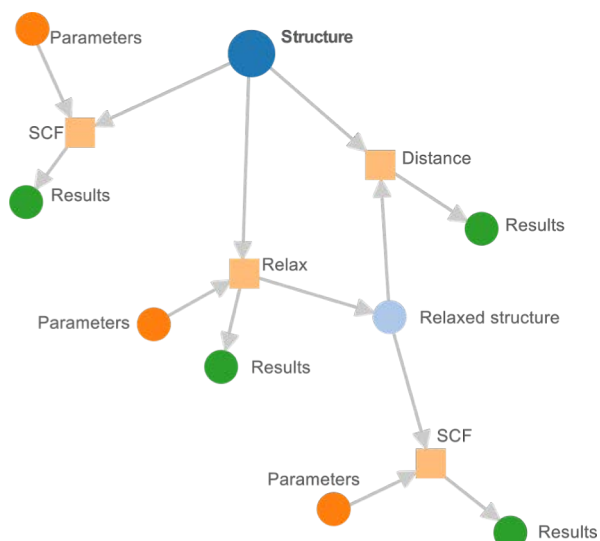
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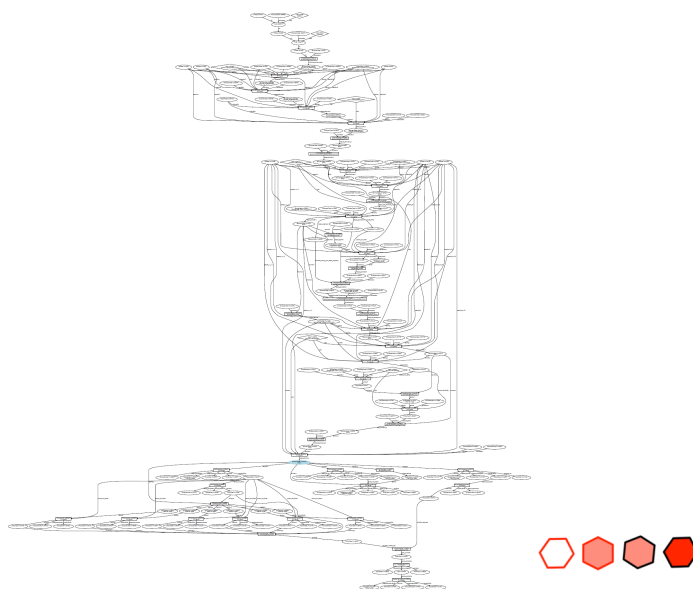
## MATERIALS' INFORMATICS PYTHON FRAMEWORK



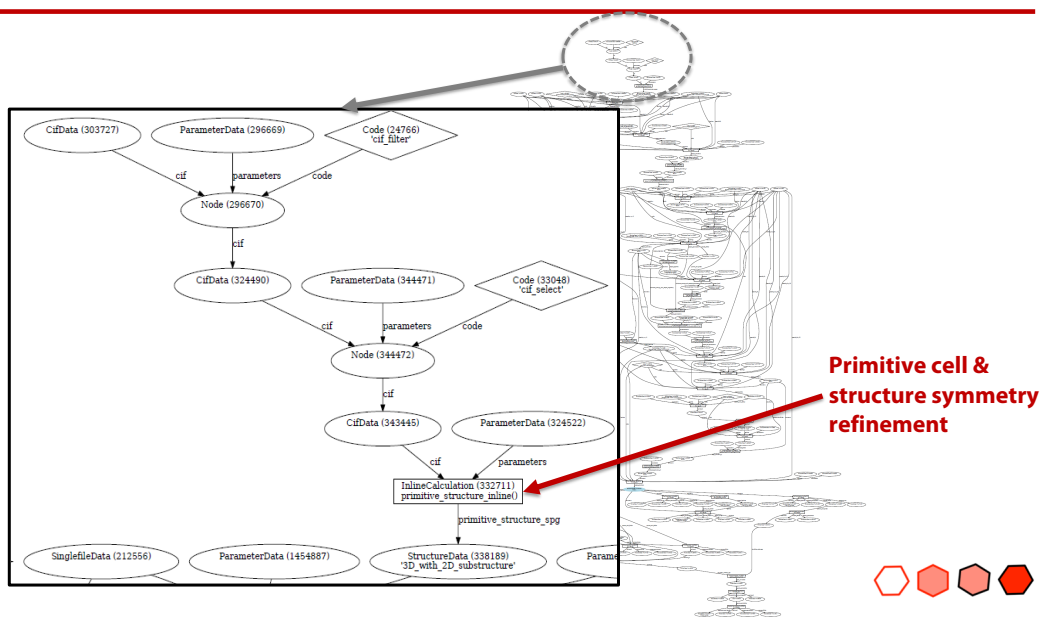
## WORKFLOWS AS DIRECTED ACYCLIC GRAPHS



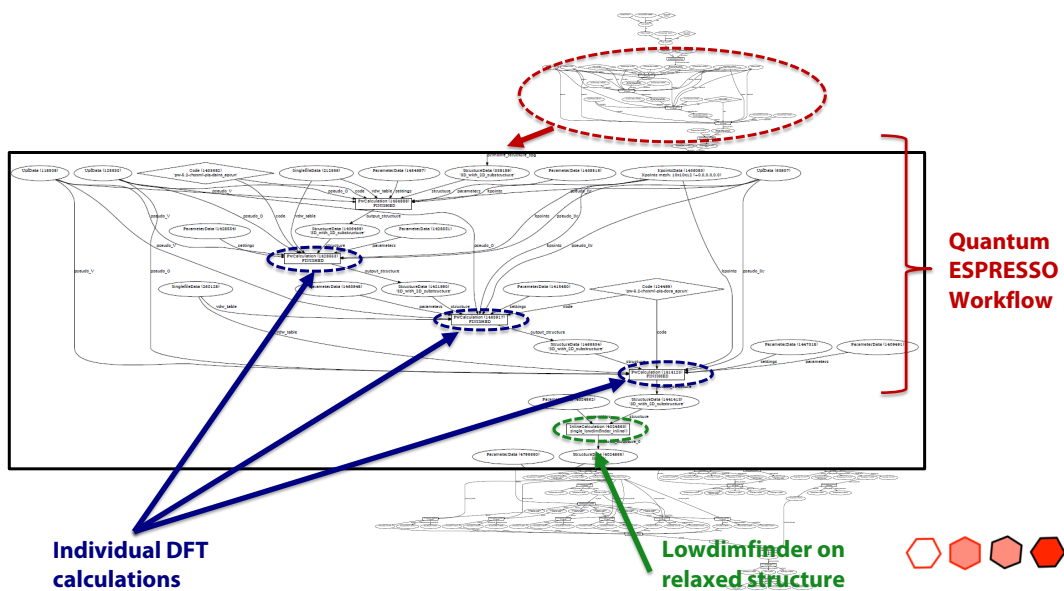
## LET'S START FROM A MATERIAL (VOBr<sub>2</sub>)



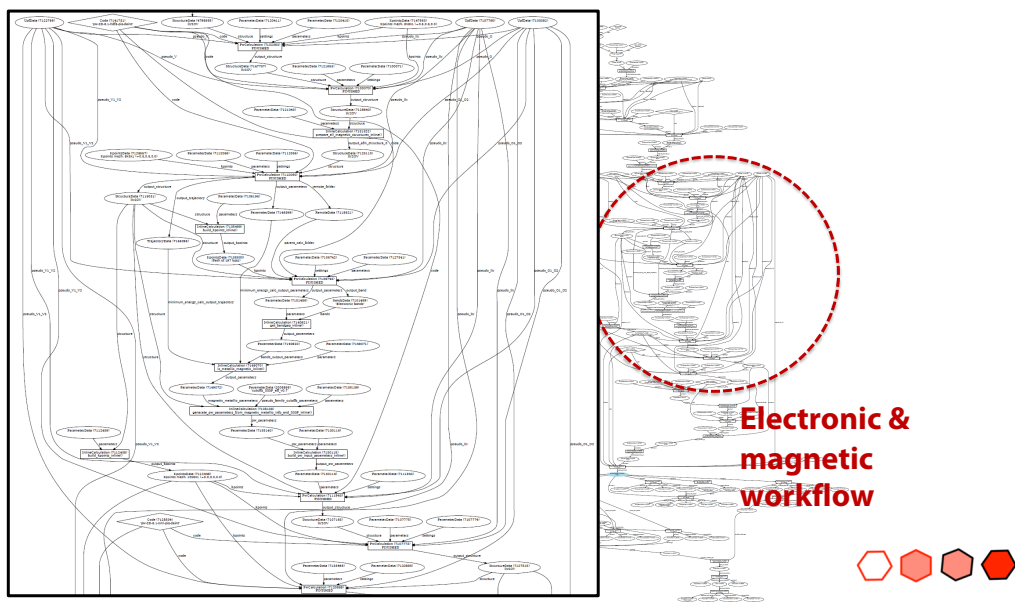
## FROM ICSD TO A WORKING STRUCTURE



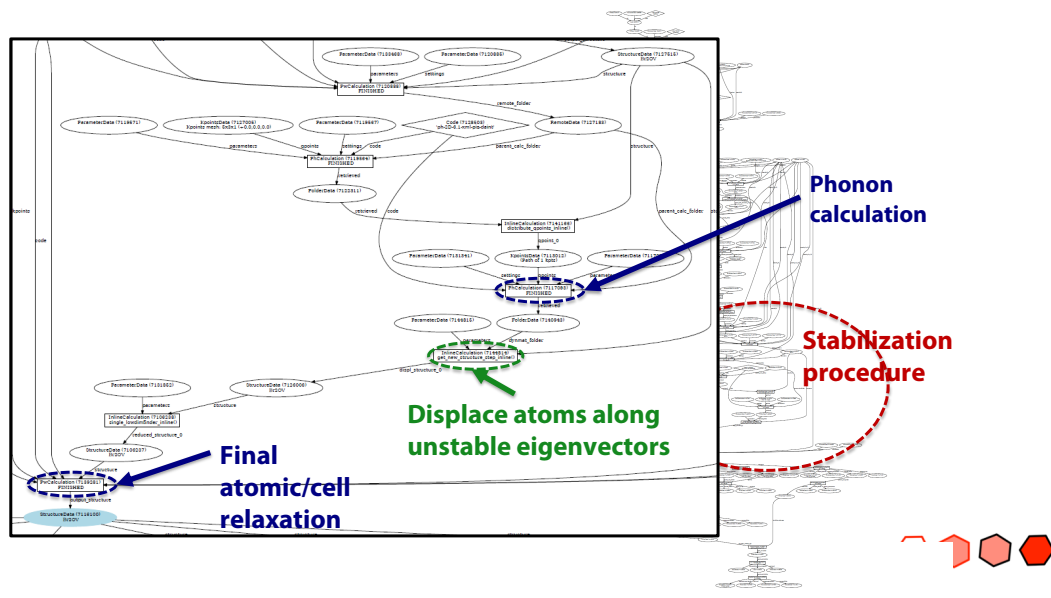
### 3D RELAXATION



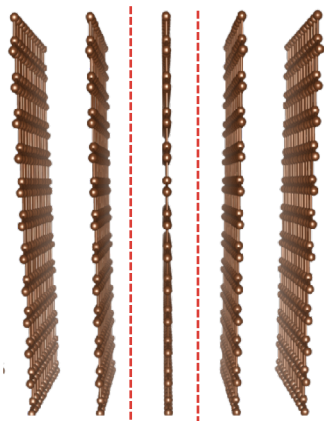
### MAGNETIC SCREENING OF THE 2D MONOLAYER



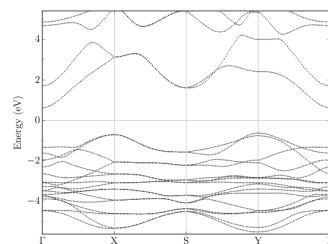
## REMOVING MECHANICAL INSTABILITIES



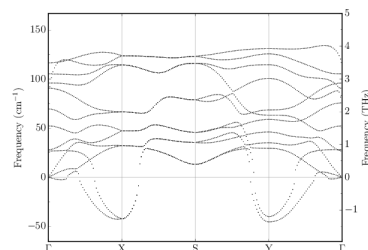
## STABILITY ANALYSIS: MAGNETIC AND MECHANICAL



**Band structures**



**Phonon dispersions**



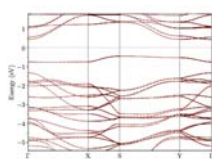
# FINALLY...

## 215 VBr<sub>2</sub>O (Pmm2)

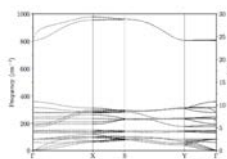
Info and properties (for more details and definitions see page 2)

<b>Formula</b>	VBr <sub>2</sub> O	<b>DF2-C09 Binding energy [meV/Å<sup>2</sup>]</b>	14.4
<b>Spacegroup</b>	Pmm2	<b>rVV10 Binding energy [meV/Å<sup>2</sup>]</b>	21.6
<b>Prototype</b>	VCl <sub>2</sub> O (Pmm2)	<b>Band gap [eV]</b>	0.9
<b>Parent 3D</b>	VBr <sub>2</sub> O	<b>Magnetic State</b>	AFM
<b>Source DB</b>	ICSD	<b>Tot. Magnetization [μ<sub>B</sub>/cell]</b>	0.0
<b>DB ID</b>	24381	<b>Abs. Magnetization [μ<sub>B</sub>/cell]</b>	2.54

Band structure and phonon dispersions



**Band structure:** energy bands of VBr<sub>2</sub>O (66 electrons) in a window around the chemical potential and along a high-symmetry path. The number of bands included in the calculation is 80.

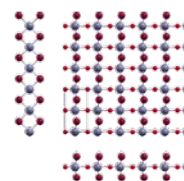


**Phonon dispersions:** phonon frequencies of VBr<sub>2</sub>O (8 atoms/cell) along a high-symmetry path.

Crystal structure

Structural parameters: cell (top) and atomic positions (bottom) of VBr<sub>2</sub>O in cartesian coordinates.

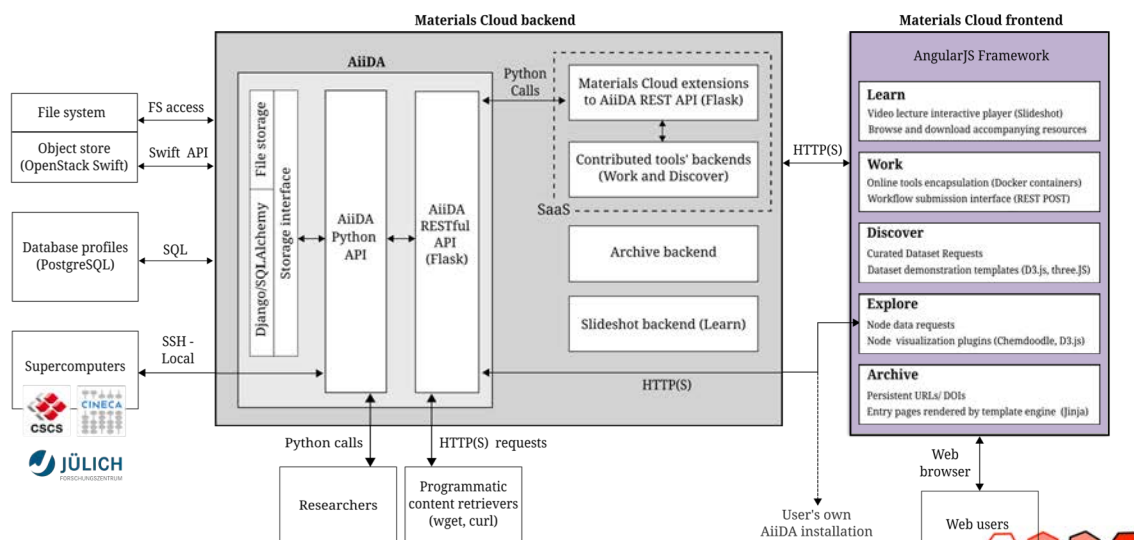
	x [Å]	y [Å]	z [Å]
a <sub>1</sub>	3.80622044	0.00000000	0.00000000
a <sub>2</sub>	0.00000000	7.17029927	0.00000000
a <sub>3</sub>	0.00000000	0.00000000	19.47346306
	x [Å]	y [Å]	z [Å]
• Br	2.00107500	5.37772439	-1.78545446
• Br	2.00107500	1.79257489	-1.78545446
• V <sub>1</sub>	1.70214341	3.58514964	0.00000000
• V <sub>2</sub>	1.70214341	0.00000000	0.00000000
• Br	2.00107500	5.37772439	1.78545446
• Br	2.00107500	1.79257489	1.78545446
• O <sub>1</sub>	0.06788642	3.58514964	0.00000000
• O <sub>2</sub>	0.06788661	0.00000000	0.00000000



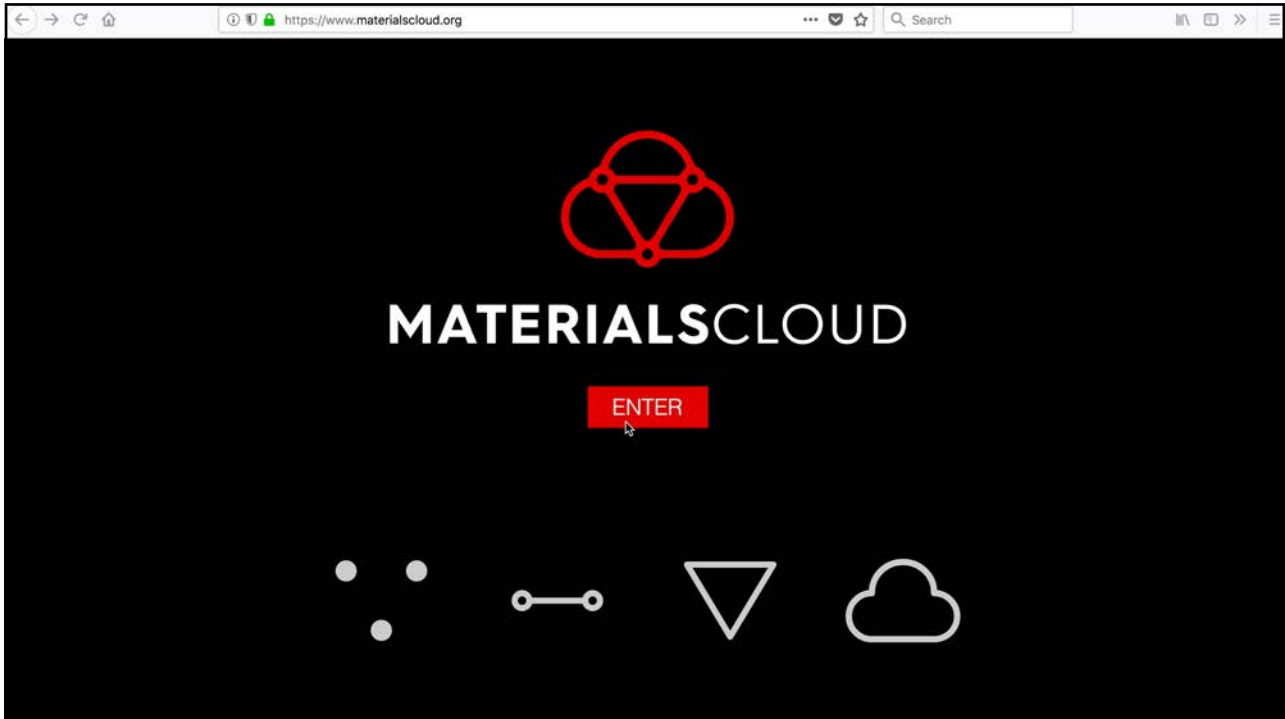
**Orthographic projections:** different views of VBr<sub>2</sub>O from the x axis (left), the y axis (bottom) and the z axis (center).



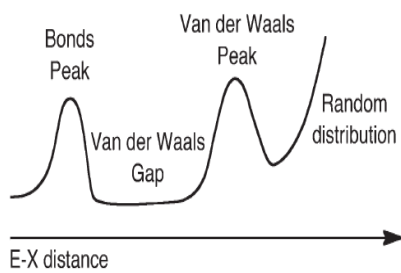
## SERVICES AND DISSEMINATION: <http://www.materialscloud.org>





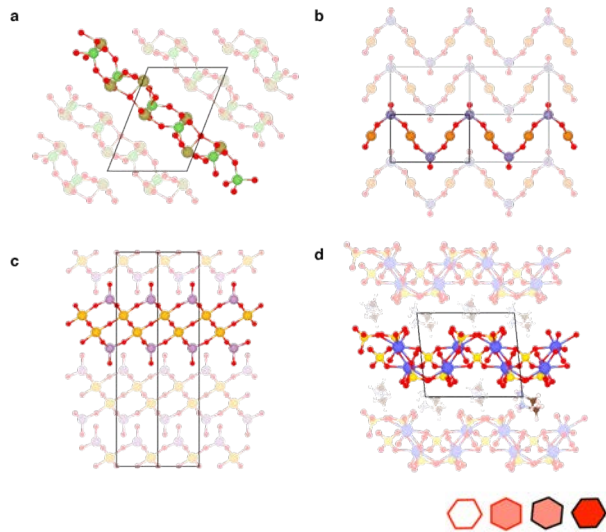


## GEOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION OF LAYERED MATERIALS



S. Alvarez, Dalton Transactions (2013)

$$d_{i,j} < r_i^{vdw} + r_j^{vdw} - \Delta$$



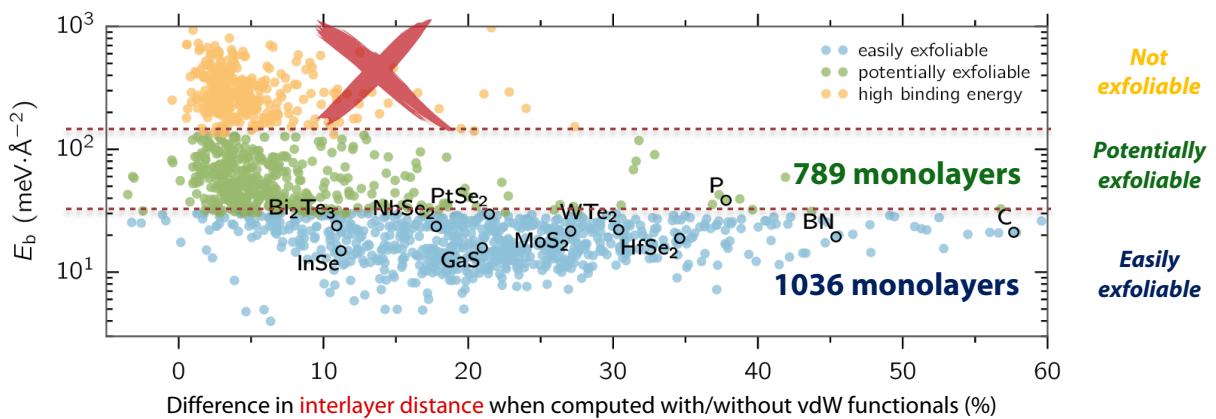
## HOW MANY CANDIDATES? GEOMETRIC SCREENING

	Unique to COD	Unique to ICSD	Common to both	Total
Entries analyzed	307616	172370		479986*
CIF inputs	99212	87070		186282*
Unique 3D structures	60354	34548	13521	108423
Layered 3D structures	1180	3257	1182	5619

\*At this level unicity is not tested

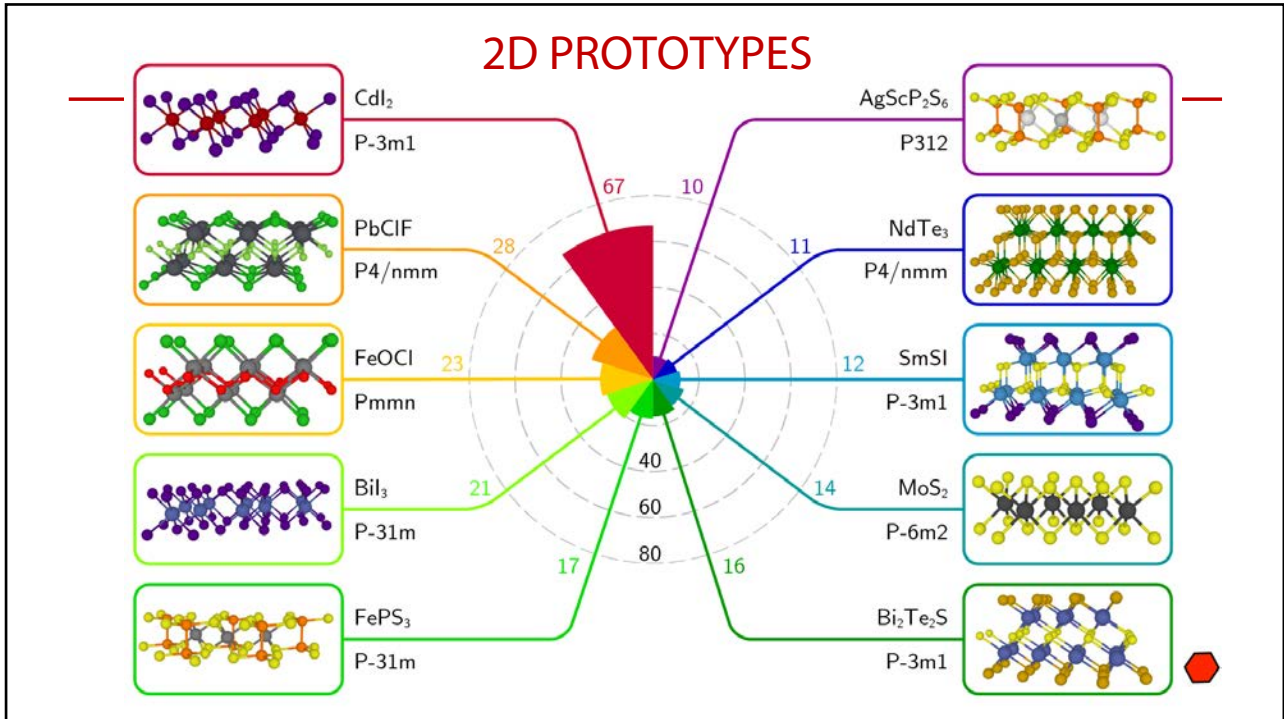


## HOW MANY CANDIDATES? QUANTUM SCREENING



- $E_b < 30 \text{ meV}/\text{\AA}^2$  (DF2-C09) or  $E_b < 35 \text{ meV}/\text{\AA}^2$  (rVV10) → 2D, easily exfoliable
- In-between → 2D, potentially exfoliable
- $E_b > 130 \text{ meV}/\text{\AA}^2$  → not 2D (discarded)





## BROAD MATERIALS PORTFOLIO FOR ELECTRONICS

Luisier, Marzari,... IEEE Transactions on Electron Devices (2018)

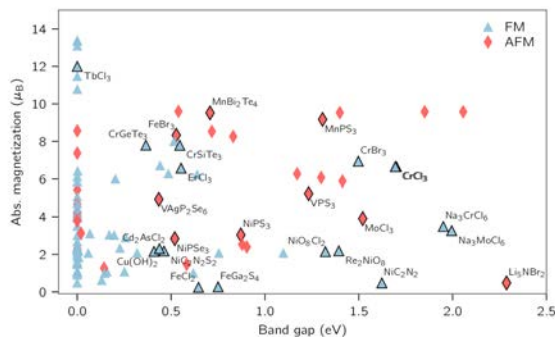


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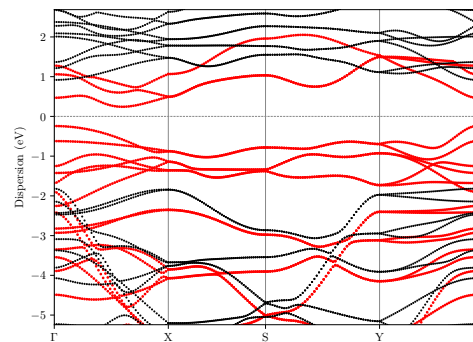


# SOME FERMIOLOGY

Magnetic metals and insulators



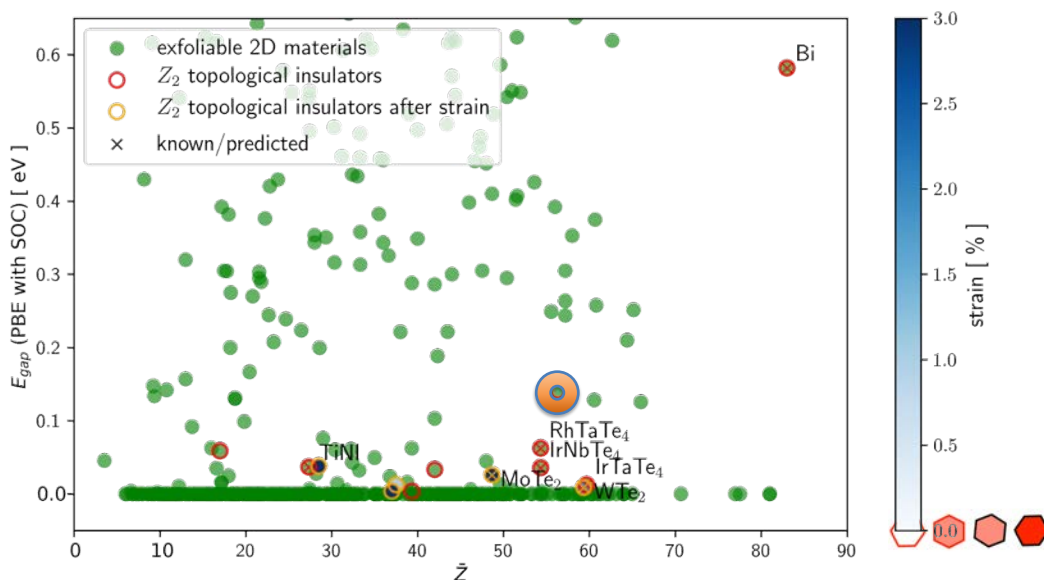
Half-semiconductors



In collaboration with K. Thygesen (DTU)



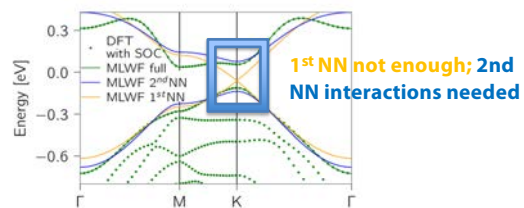
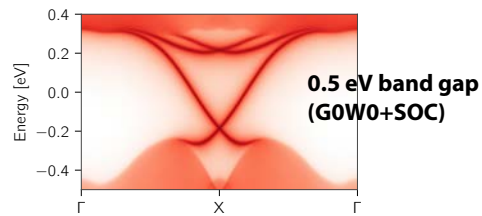
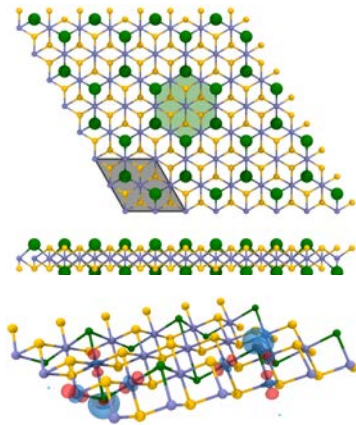
## Z<sub>2</sub> TOPOLOGICAL INSULATORS



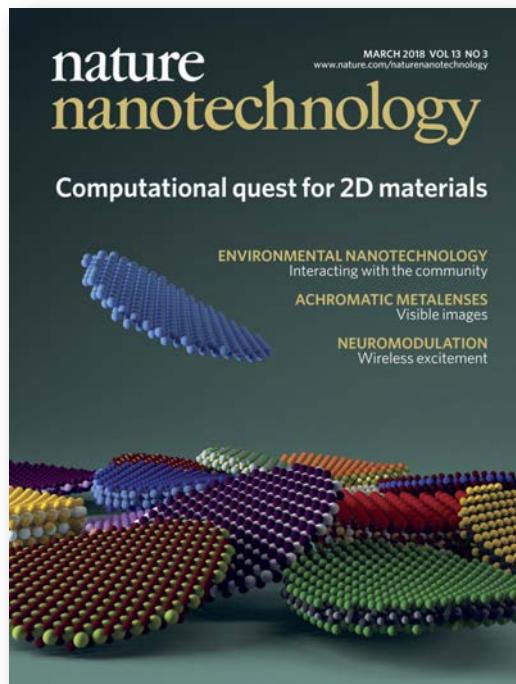
## THE DISCOVERY OF JACUTINGAITE



## MONOLAYER JACUTINGAITE AS A KANE-MELE QSHI



A. Marrazzo *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 120 117701 (2018)



## THERE IS PLENTY OF ROOM AT THE TOP

- High electron/hole mobility devices
- Topological insulators, quantum computing
- Ferromagnetic/spintronics in 2D
- Charge-density waves and superconductors
- Plasmonics, transparent conductors

### 3D layered parents:

- Solid-state ionic conductors
- Hydrogen or oxygen evolution catalysts
- Membranes for filtration/separation
- Piezo, ferro, and thermoelectrics

*N. Mounet, M. Gibertini, P. Schwaller, D. Campi, A. Merkys, A. Marrazzo, T. Sohier, I. E. Castelli, A. Cepellotti, G. Pizzi and N. Marzari, Nature Nanotechnology 13, 246 (2018)*

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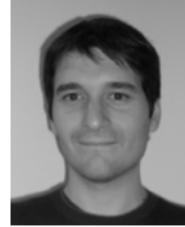
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## SCIENCE CONCLUSIONS

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There is a push **to accelerate invention and discovery in science and technology**, and especially to transform and accelerate the design and discovery of novel materials.

### Key enablers:

- **the predictive accuracy of quantum simulations**
- **HPC/HTC capacity scaling**
- **the synergy of modeling and simulation with the ideas and tools of computer science**



## DATA CONCLUSIONS

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- In computational science, **data are generated, not harvested** (the workflows that create properties and data from a structure are key).
- **Importance of data-on-demand** (high-throughput pushes the development of robust workflows that can calculate properties automatically).
- I think there are three kind of data:
  - **Social (harvested, mostly uncontrolled conditions)**
  - **Experimental (harvested, controlled conditions)**
  - **Computational (generated, controlled conditions)**





## FURTHER THOUGHTS ON COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE

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- **Computational science is central to the entire scientific and technological effort in the 21<sup>st</sup> century** – no other enabler can compete in terms of speed and acceleration
- Very few have understood its structural needs, and long-term opportunity
- As a side note, it is **a powerfully democratic force**, since it can be shared freely

