# Carbon Technology, Materials and Nano-Magnetism.

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# Collaboration

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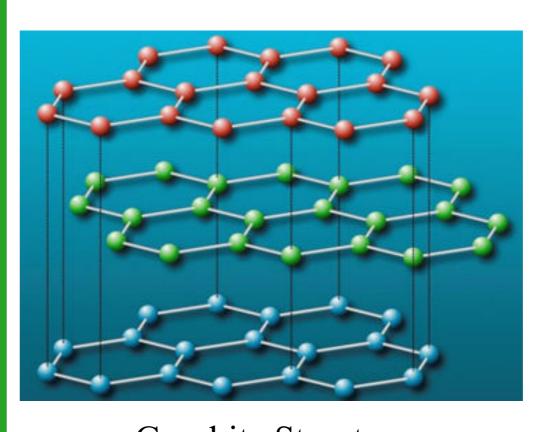
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#### **♦** Local collaboration

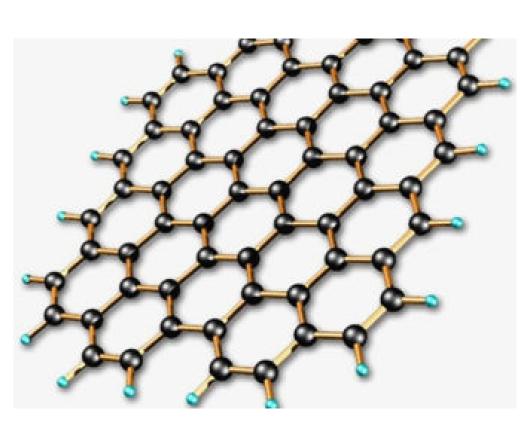
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- National Laser Center (NLC), CSIR, South Africa.
- ◆ Materials Science and Manufacturing, CSIR, South Africa.

#### **Research Activities**

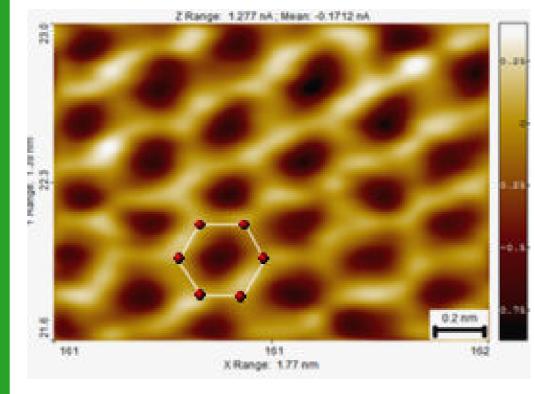
- Graphene synthesis, characterization and irradiation effects.
- Graphene films for Photovoltaic cells and renewable energy applications.
- ◆ Three dimensional graphene networks for Supercapacitors and chemical sensing.
- Carbon modified energy storage materials: Electrochemical (Super) Capacitors.
- Study of radiation influence on bulk graphites.
- Magnetic and transport properties of  $Fe_{x,y}(Co_x, Mn_y)Si$  alloy at nano-scale synthesized by pulsed laser deposition technique for spintronics application and low-field microwave sensors.



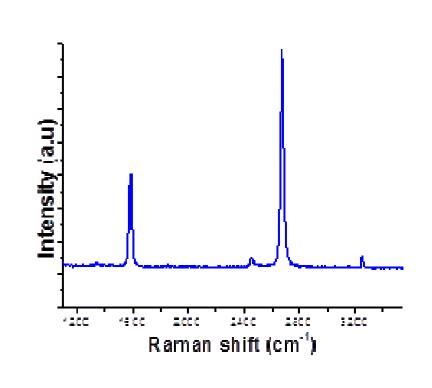
Graphite Structure



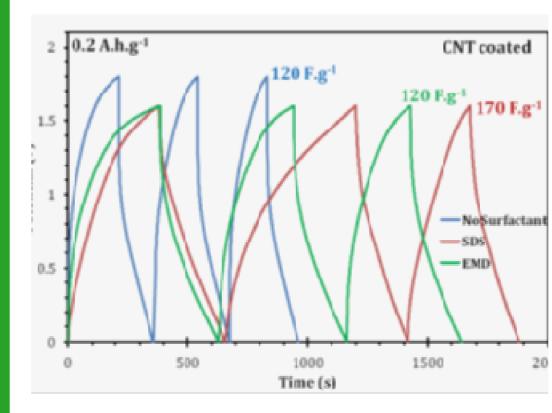
Graphene Sheet



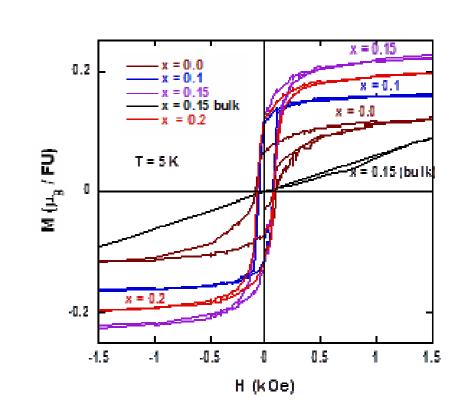
Graphene Lattice Structure



Raman spectrum of Graphene



Carbon Supercapacitors



Thin film magnetization

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- ◆ NRF and NITheP
- Bursary for honours, MSc and PhD level students in this research group.

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