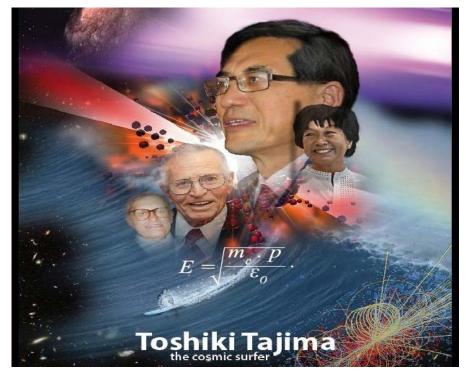
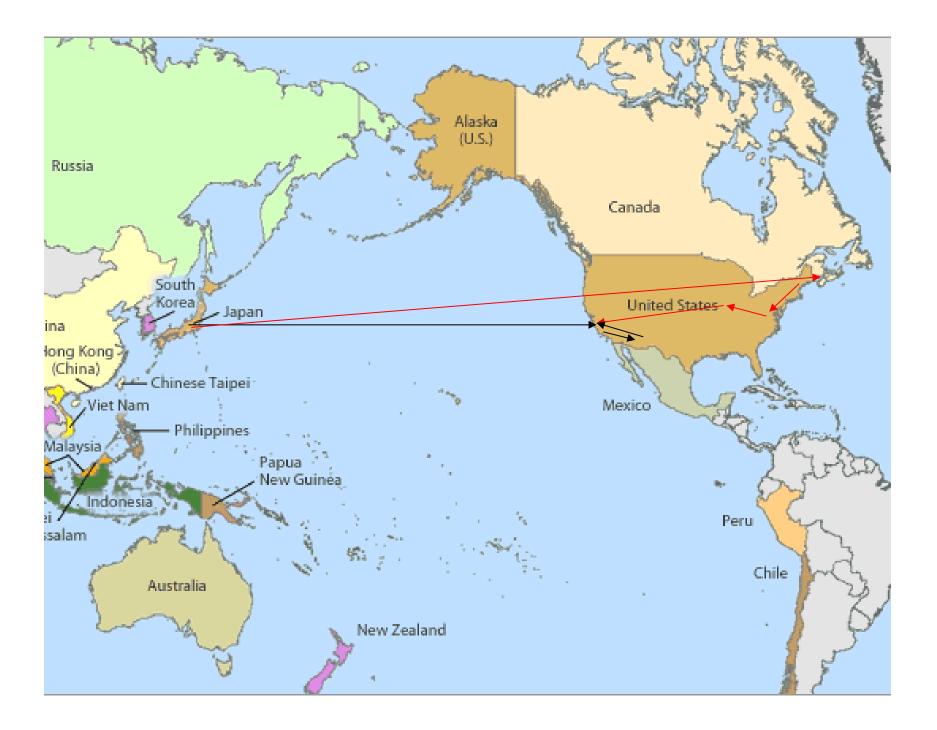
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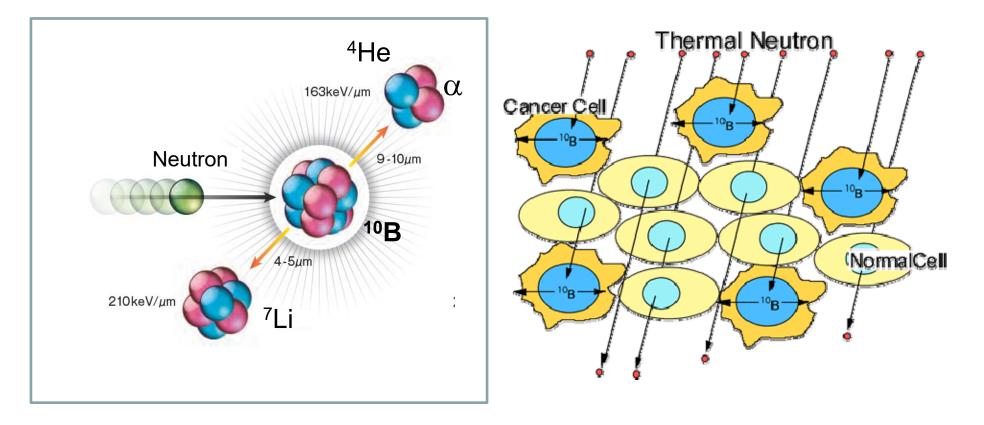
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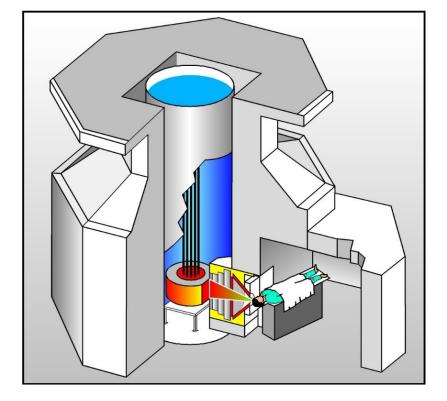
### Boron neutron capture therapy

Boron-10, upon exposure to a beam of neutron, splits into <sup>7</sup>Li and <sup>4</sup>He. <sup>4</sup>He is an  $\alpha$ -particle that damages any surrounding things but travels only a short distance. Thus, selective killing of cancer cells can be achieved.

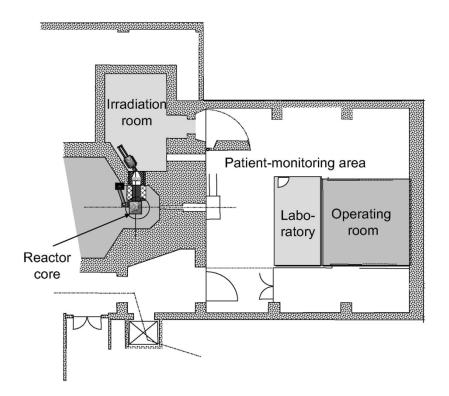


"Ultimate cancer therapy"

Nuclear reactor based cancer therapy

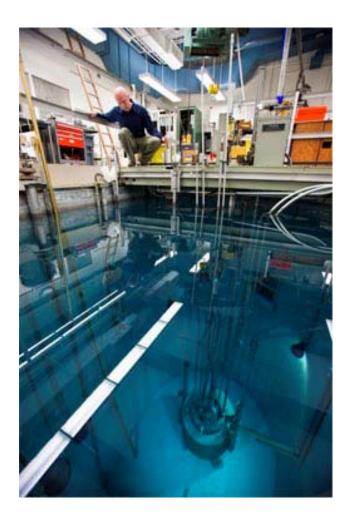


Nuclear reactor for neutron source



#### **UCI** Nuclear reactor

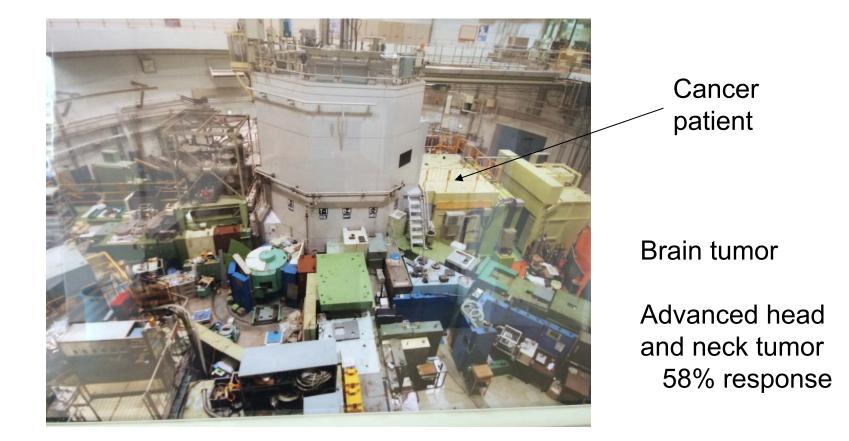
### **UCI BNCT** meetings



Toshi Tajima (Physics) AJ Shaka (Nuclear Reactor) Glutekin Gulsen (Tumor imaging) Artem Smirnov (TAE, Beam and shield) Fuyu Tamanoi (UCLA, Cancer Therapy)

Critical issues in BNCT approach Next big thing in BNCT Convergence with other scientific fields Extensive clinical studies worldwide are being carried out since 1990

### KURRI nuclear reactor based cancer therapy

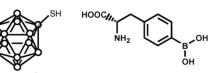


## **History of BNCT**



1951 First BNCT clinical trial at Brookhaven Lab MIT clinical trials

1968 Clinical trials Japan, Europe, Argentina, Taiwan

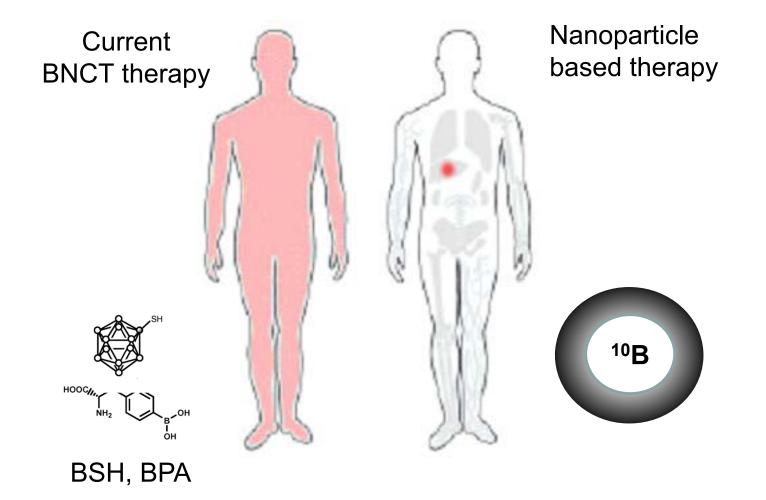


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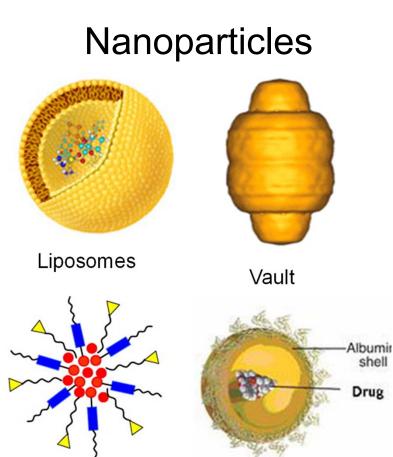
Promising results (good patient response, increased survival).

Tumor accumulation of boron-10 is critical!

# Nanoparticles enable tumor accumulation of boron compounds



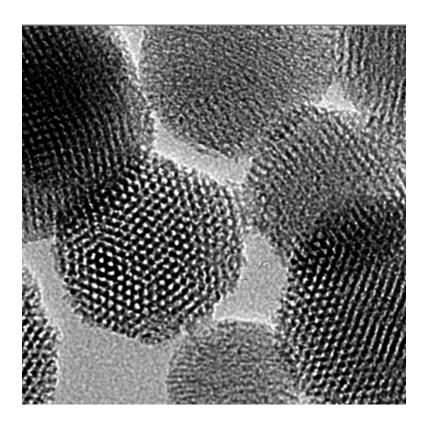
## **Convergence of nanotechnology and BNCT**



Protein shell

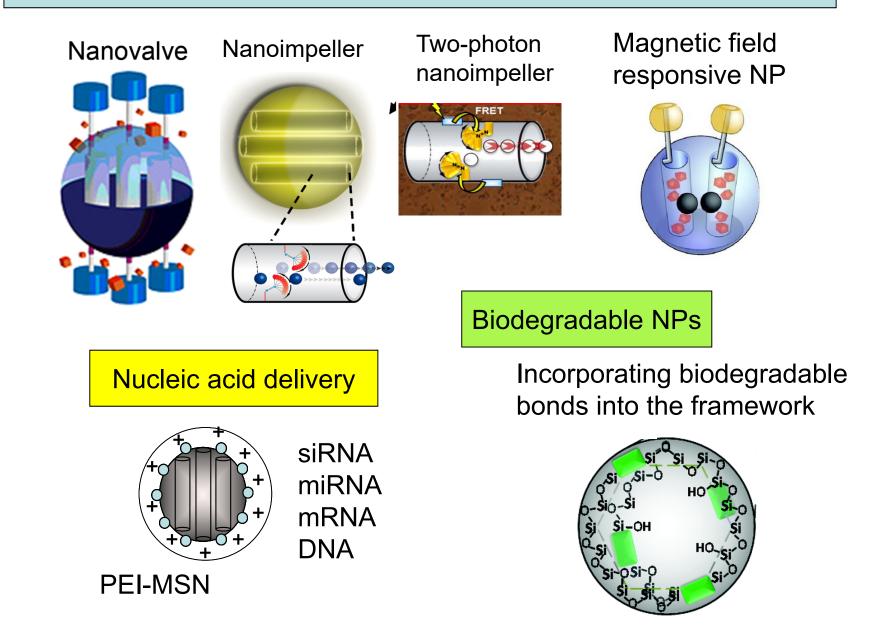


Mesoporous silica nanoparticles



Porous 100 nm diameter 1400 pores/particle

#### Mechanized Nanoparticles for Controlled Release and Imaging

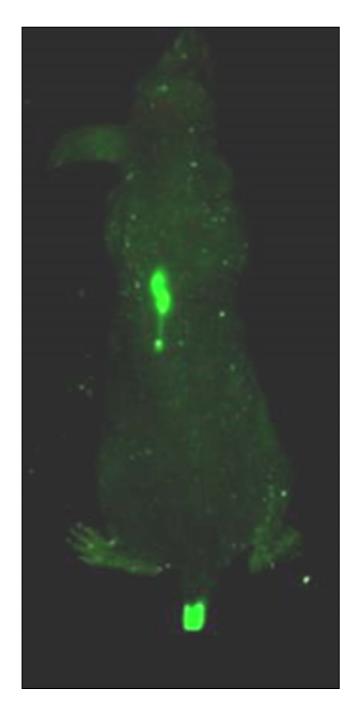


# Preferential accumulation of MSNs in the tumor

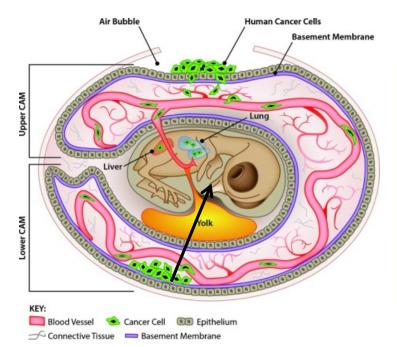








## Chicken Egg Tumor Model experiments







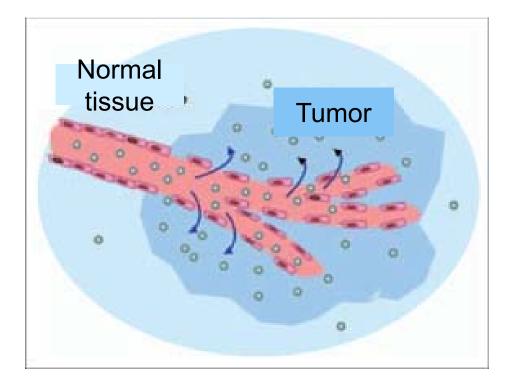
Ovarian cancer

Melanoma

## Nanosize enables tumor accumulation

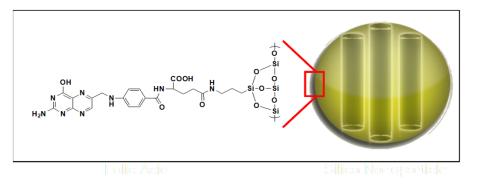
### Passive targeting (Enhanced permeability retention)

Size of nanoparticles that can benefit from EPR: 40 - 400 nm

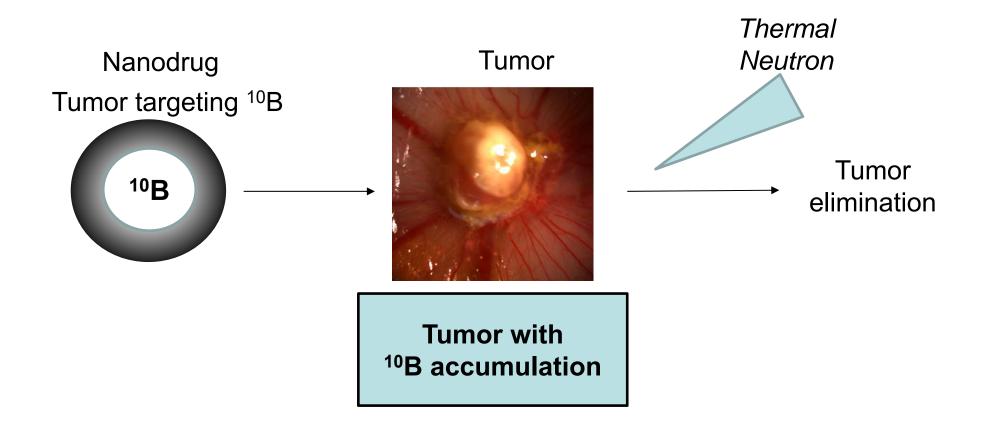


### Active targeting

Surface modification of NP

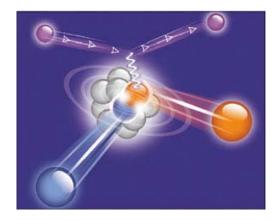


# Use of nanoformulated boron is expected to dramatically increase BNCT efficacy



## Harnessing physical forces for cancer therapy

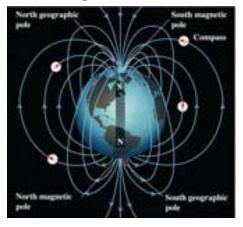
Netrons, X-ray



Light



Magnetic field



## Nanomaterials

BNCT Radiation therapy

Photodynamic therapy

Magnetic hyperthermia