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**Paul L. Busch
Award**

2020 Paul L. Busch Award and Lecture

10/29/2020



Agenda

3:00p ET	Welcome Lola Olabode and Peter Grevatt – The Water Research Foundation
3:03p	Get to Know Paul L. Busch Doug Owen, Glen Daigger, and Lisa Busch
3:13p	Testimonials from Past Paul L. Busch Awardees David Sedlak <i>PLB 2003</i> and Paul Westerhoff <i>PLB 2006</i>
3:18p	2020 Paul L. Busch Awardee Paul Westerhoff PLB 2006
3:20p	2020 Award Lecture Toward Selective Solute Separation (S^3) for Sustainable Water and Wastewater Treatment Dr. Shihong Lin
3:45p	Panel Discussion Glen Daigger, David Sedlak and Paul Westerhoff
3:55p	Congratulations
3:58p 4:00p	Adjourn





Get to Know Paul L. Busch



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Testimonials from Past Paul L. Busch Awardees

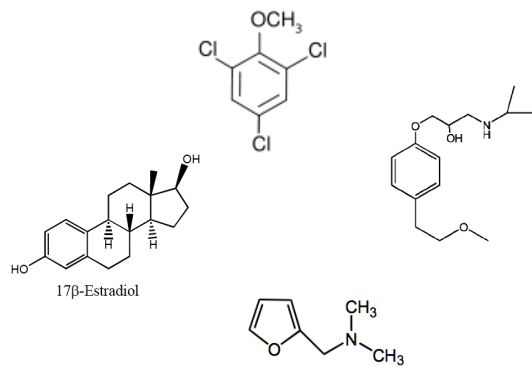
David Sedlak *PLB 2003* and Paul Westerhoff *PLB 2006*



Impact of 2003 Paul L. Busch Award

David Sedlak, Plato Malozemoff Professor— UC Berkeley

Topic: Trace Organic Contaminants in Municipal Wastewater Effluent



People

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Ideas

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Change



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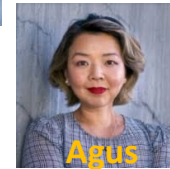
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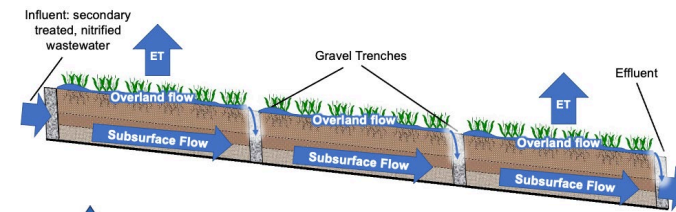
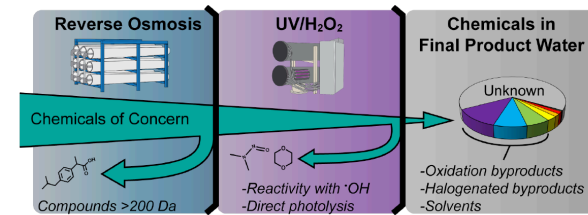
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Impact of 2006 Paul L. Busch Award

Paul Westerhoff, PhD, PE, BCEE – Arizona State University

Tools to Characterize and Understand the Risk of Biogenic and Commercial Nanomaterials in Wastewater Effluents



Environmental Science Nano

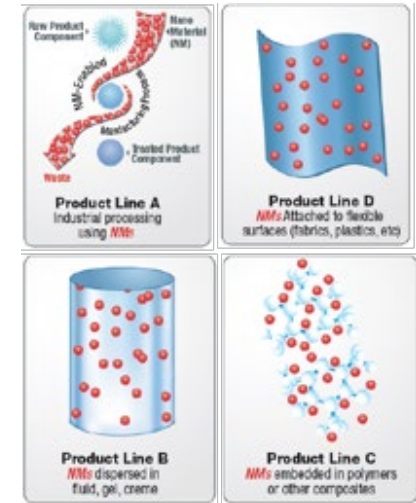


Environmental Science Nano

Implications



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Applications



NSF Nanosystems Engineering Research Center for Nanotechnology Enabled Water Treatment Systems (NEWTS)





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Toward Selective Solute Separation (S^3) for Sustainable Water and Wastewater Treatment

Shihong Lin, Vanderbilt University

10/29/2020



The urgent need for engineered solutions to address water scarcity problem

ScienceAdvances

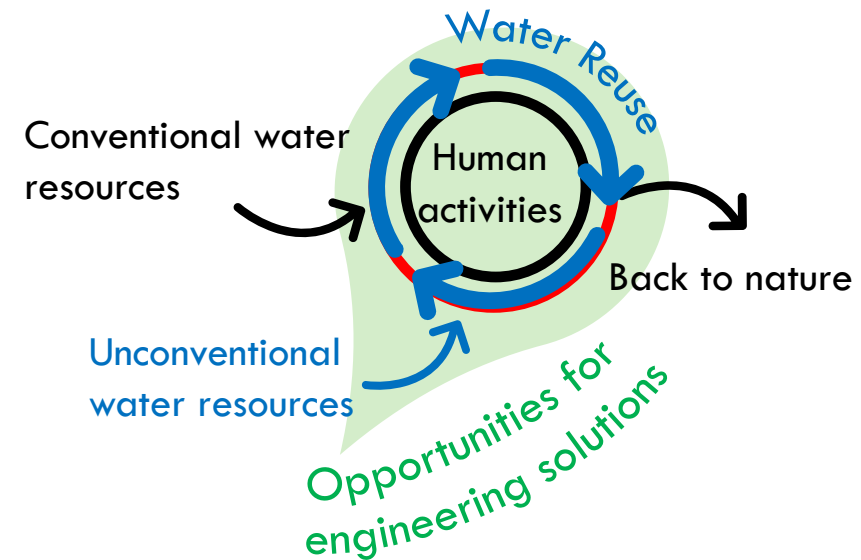
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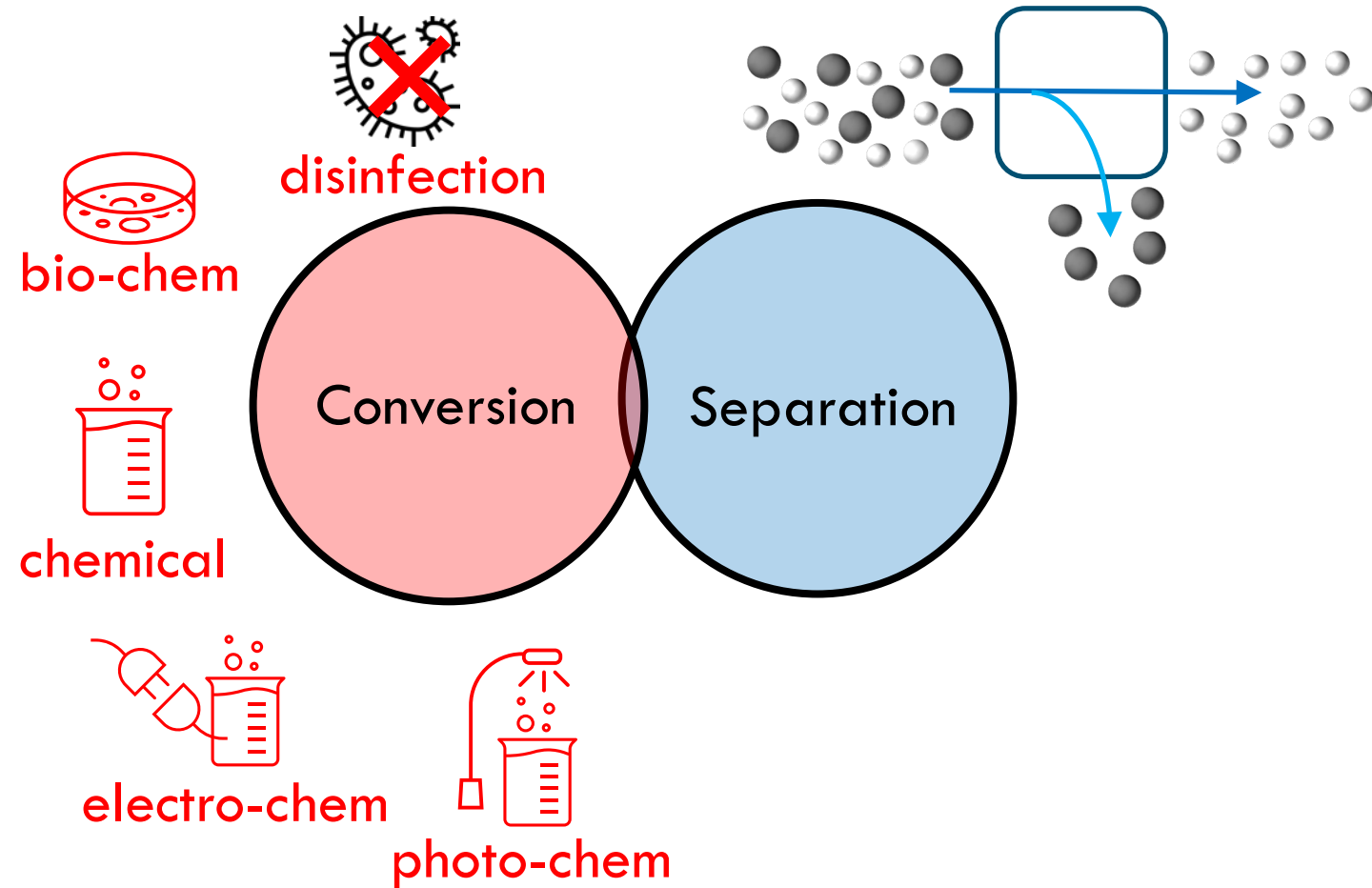
Four billion people facing severe water scarcity

Mesfin M. Mekonnen* and Arjen Y. Hoekstra

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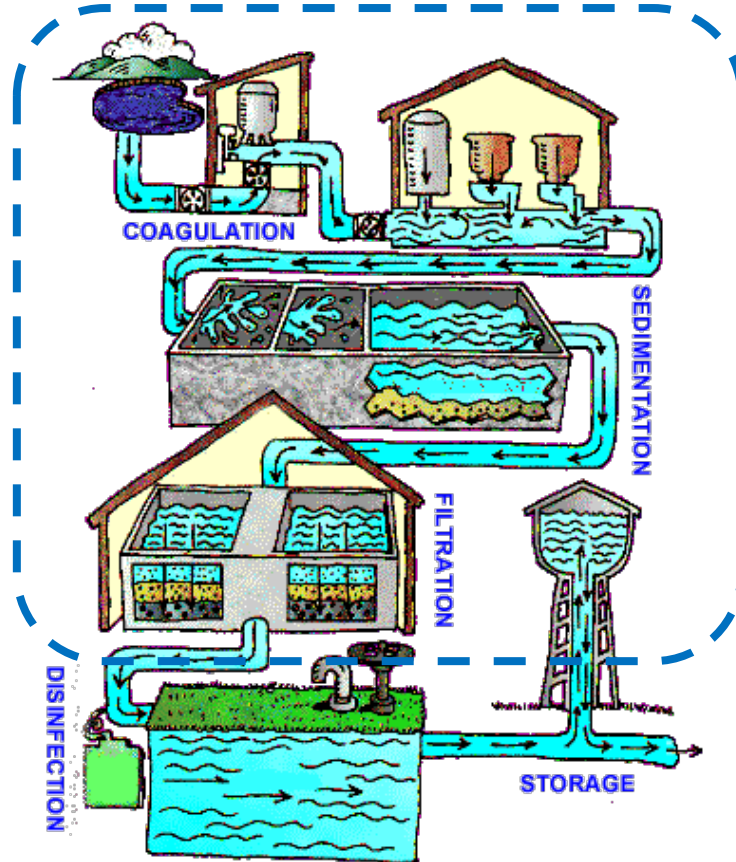


The two types of things we do in water or wastewater (w/ww) treatment



Common separation processes in w/ww treatment

Drinking water treatment



(Image source: CDC.gov)

Secondary clarifier



(Image source: Evoqua)

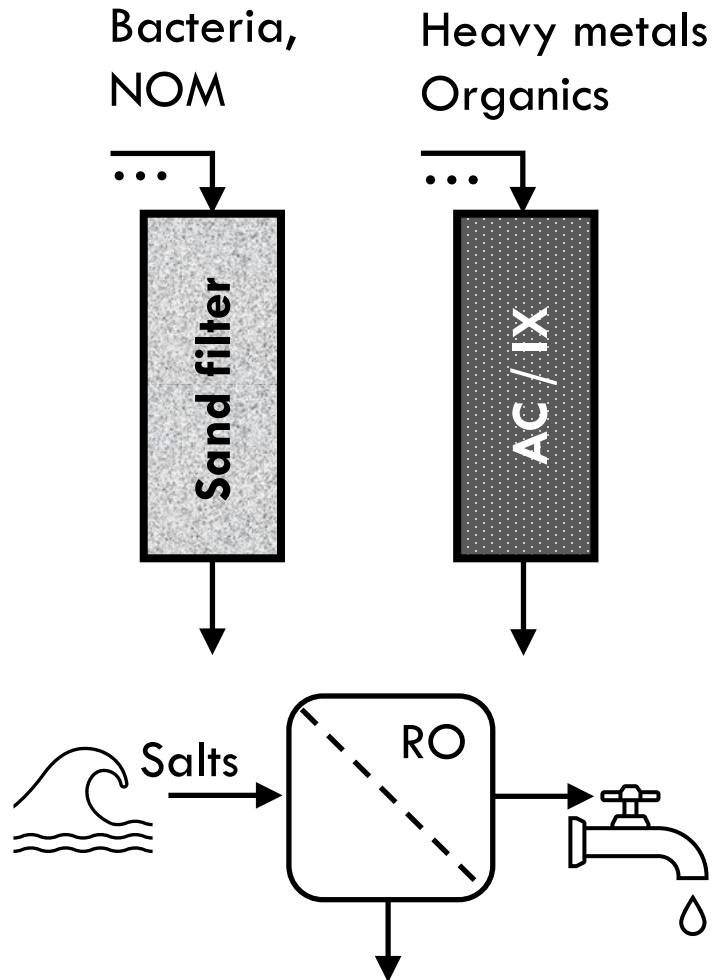
SWRO plant



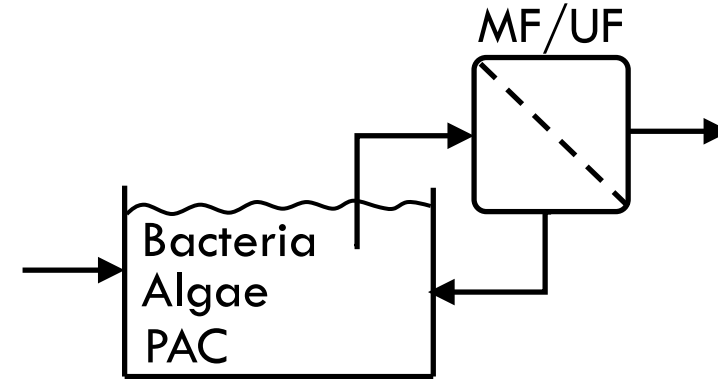
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Why separation in w/ww treatment?

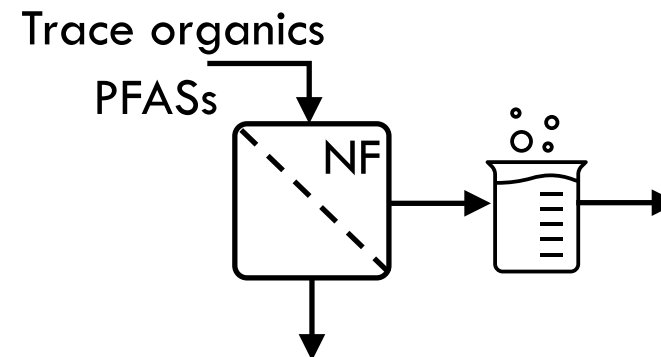
Remove stuff



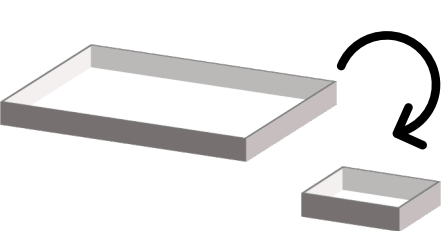
Retain stuff



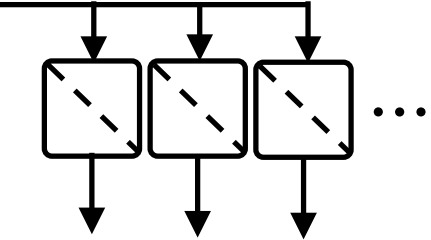
Concentrate stuff



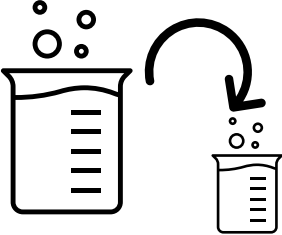
The rise of membrane separation



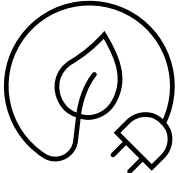
Smaller footprint



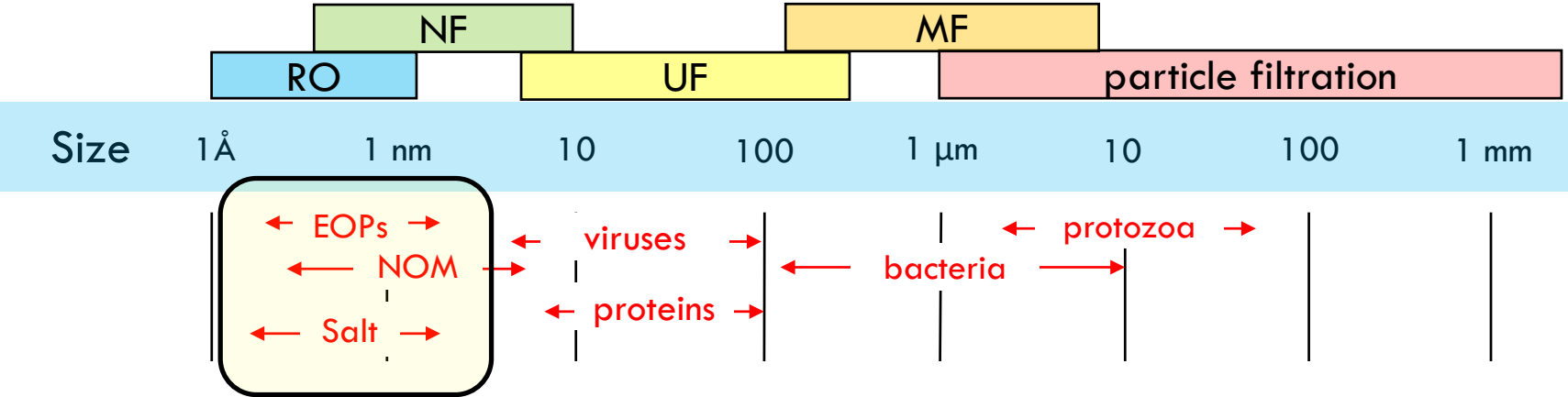
Modular



Reduced chemical use

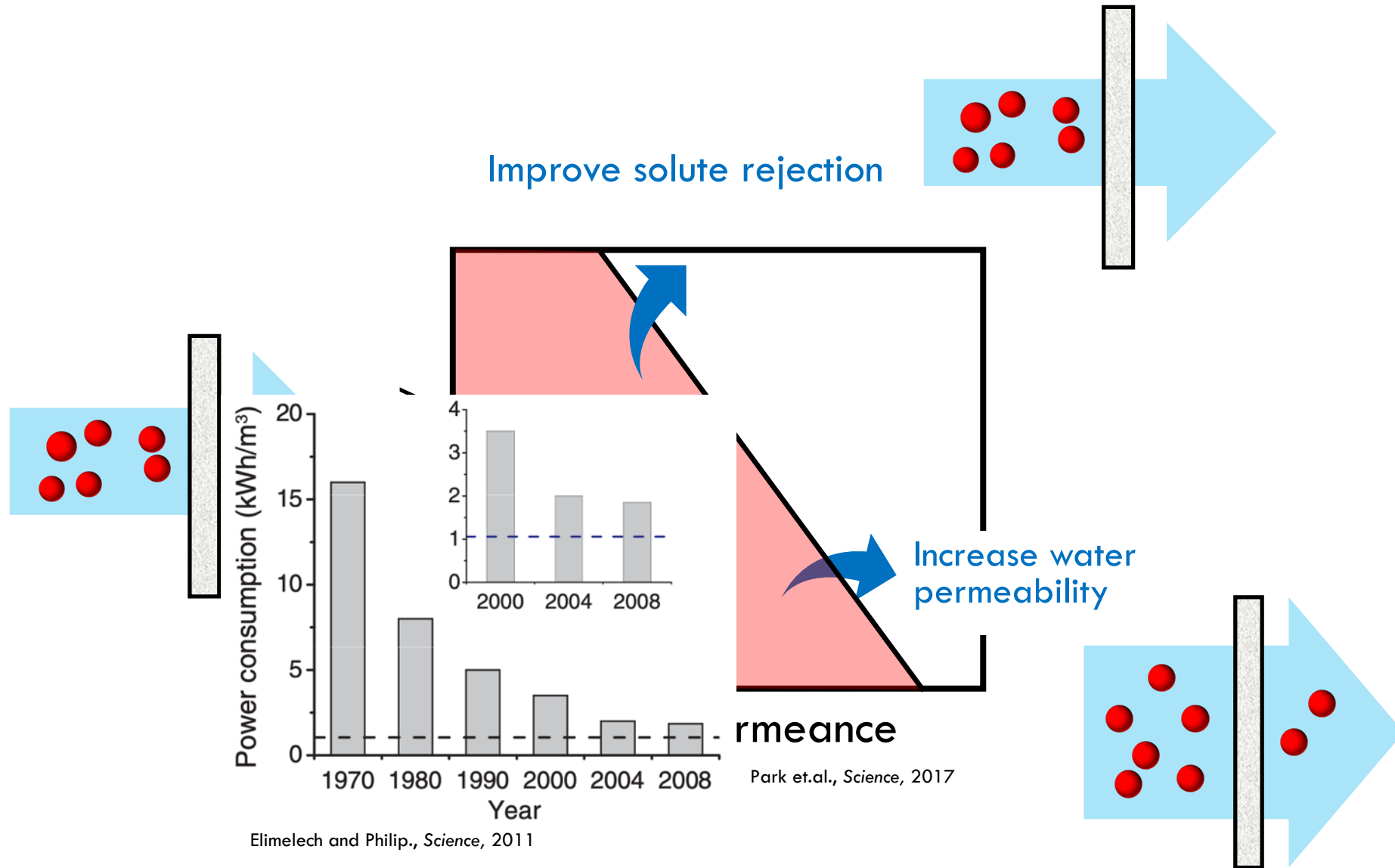


Energy efficient*

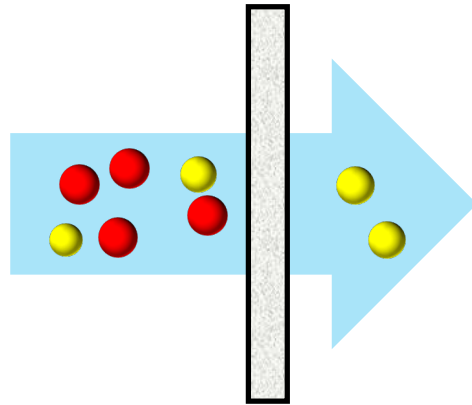


Focus on this talk

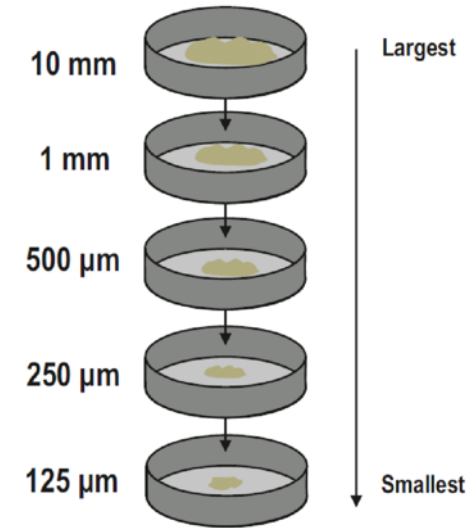
Improving solute separation membranes



Selective solute separation (S^3) as the new frontier of membrane separation

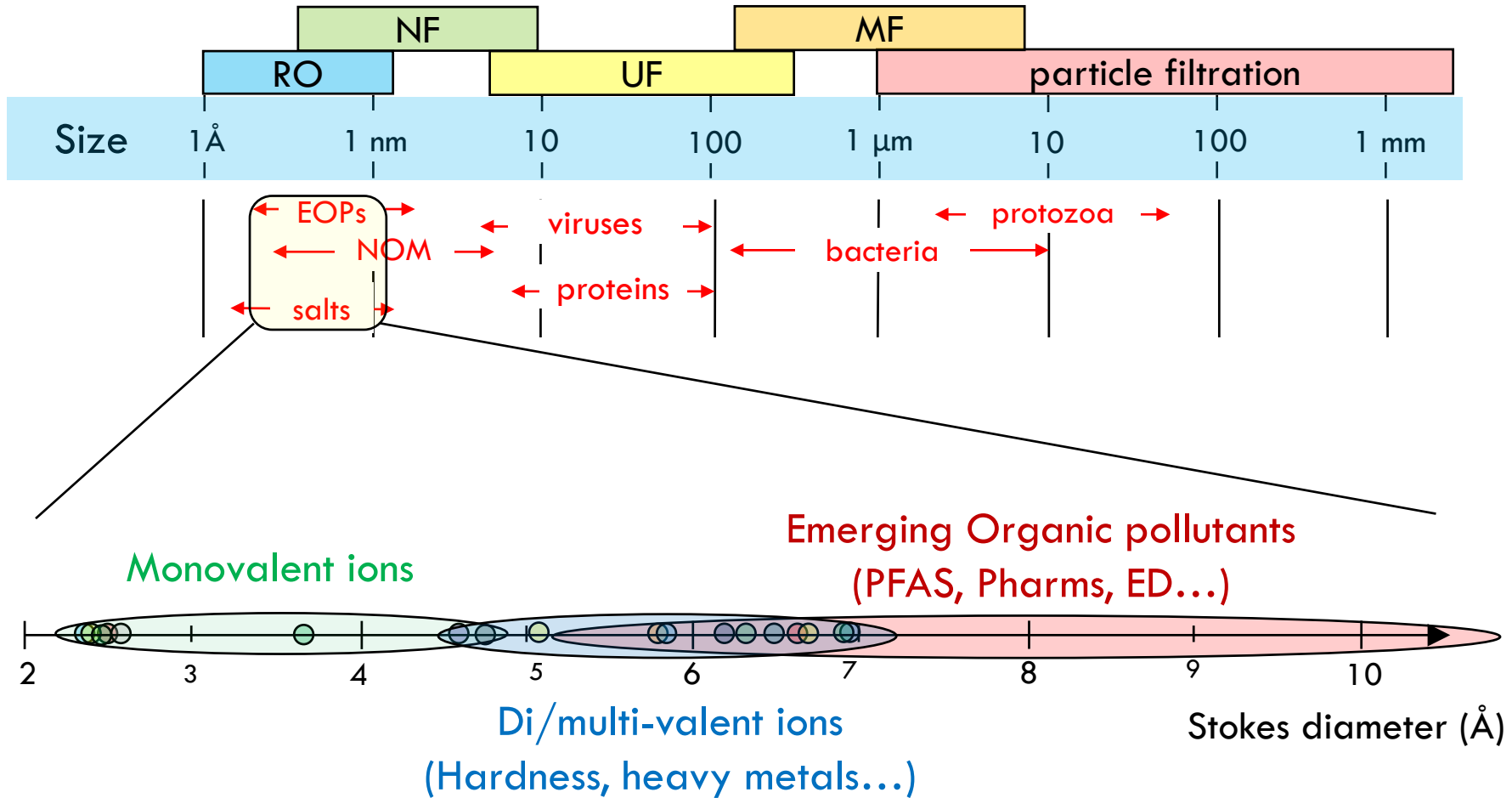


Epsztein et.al., *Nature Nanotech.*, 2020



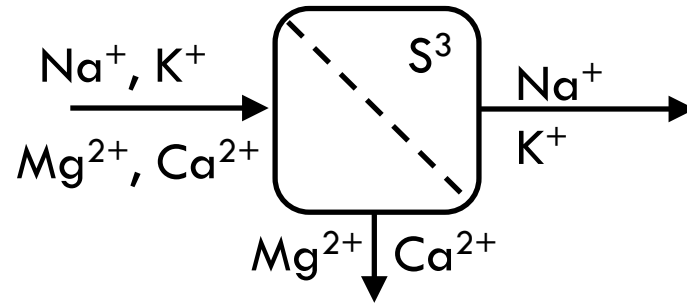
The old art of sieving
but at molecular level

Zooming in on the separation spectrum

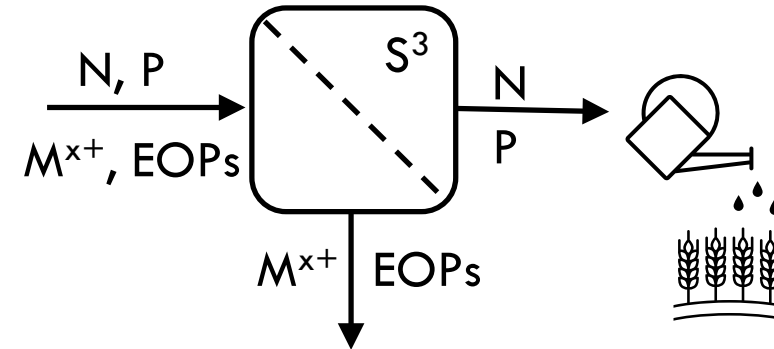


Why precise S^3 ?

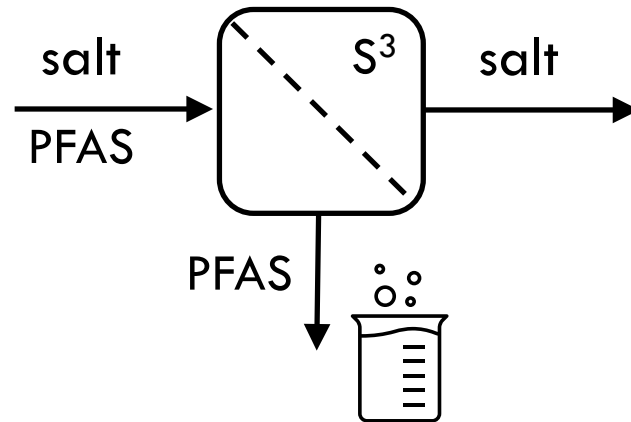
Water softening



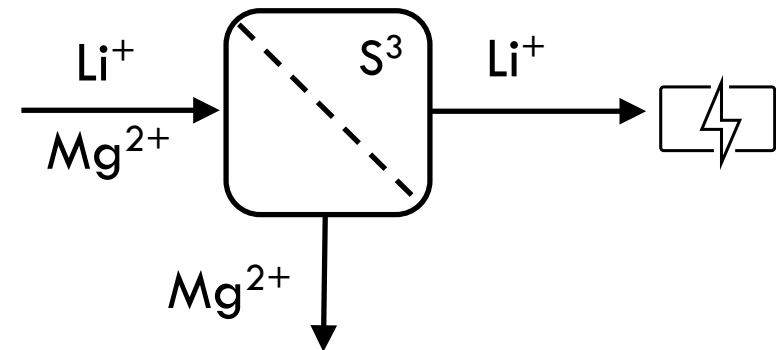
Wastewater reuse



Process intensification

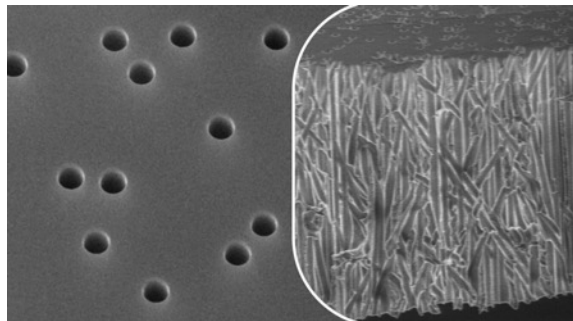
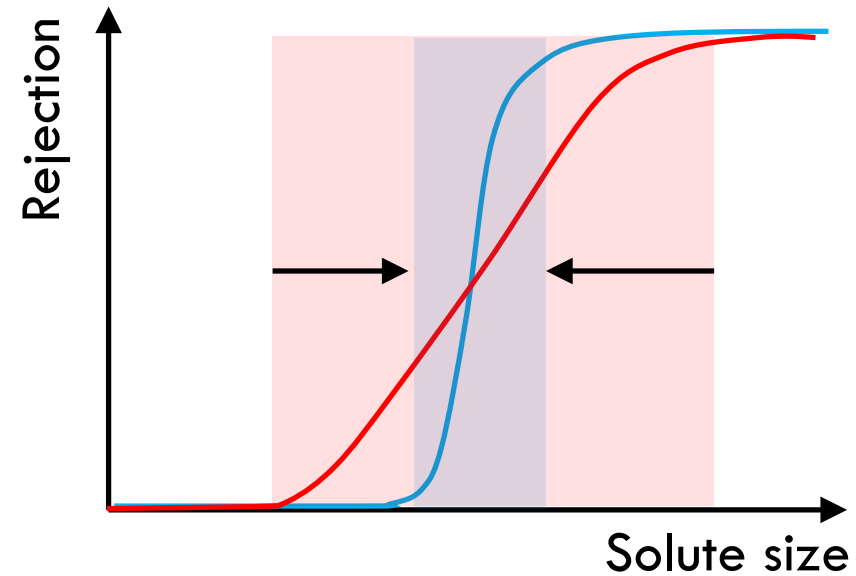
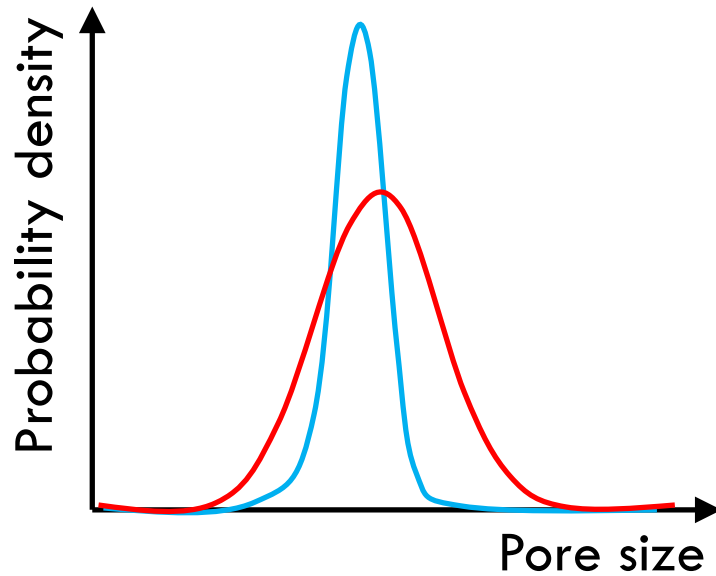


Resource mining



and more...

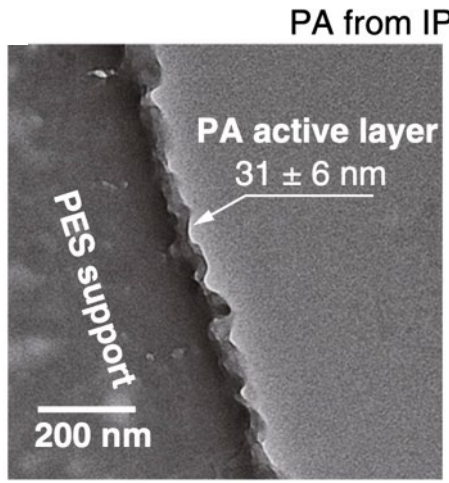
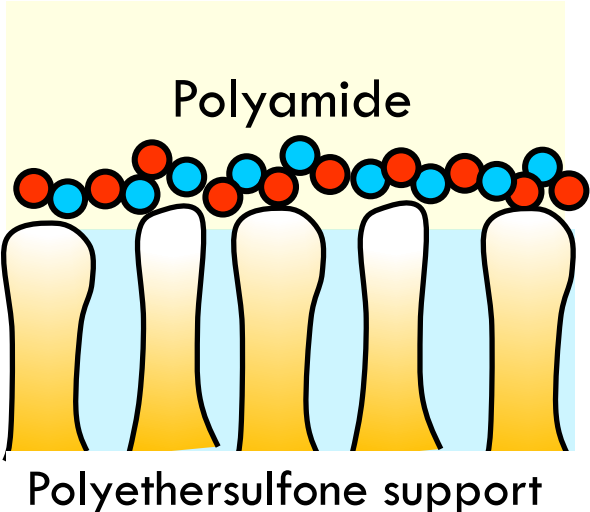
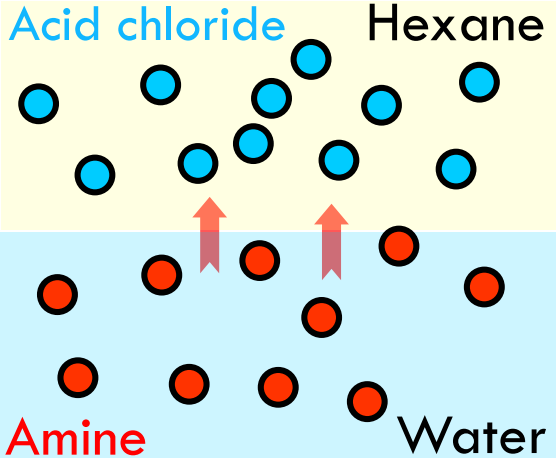
Precise S^3 and its challenges



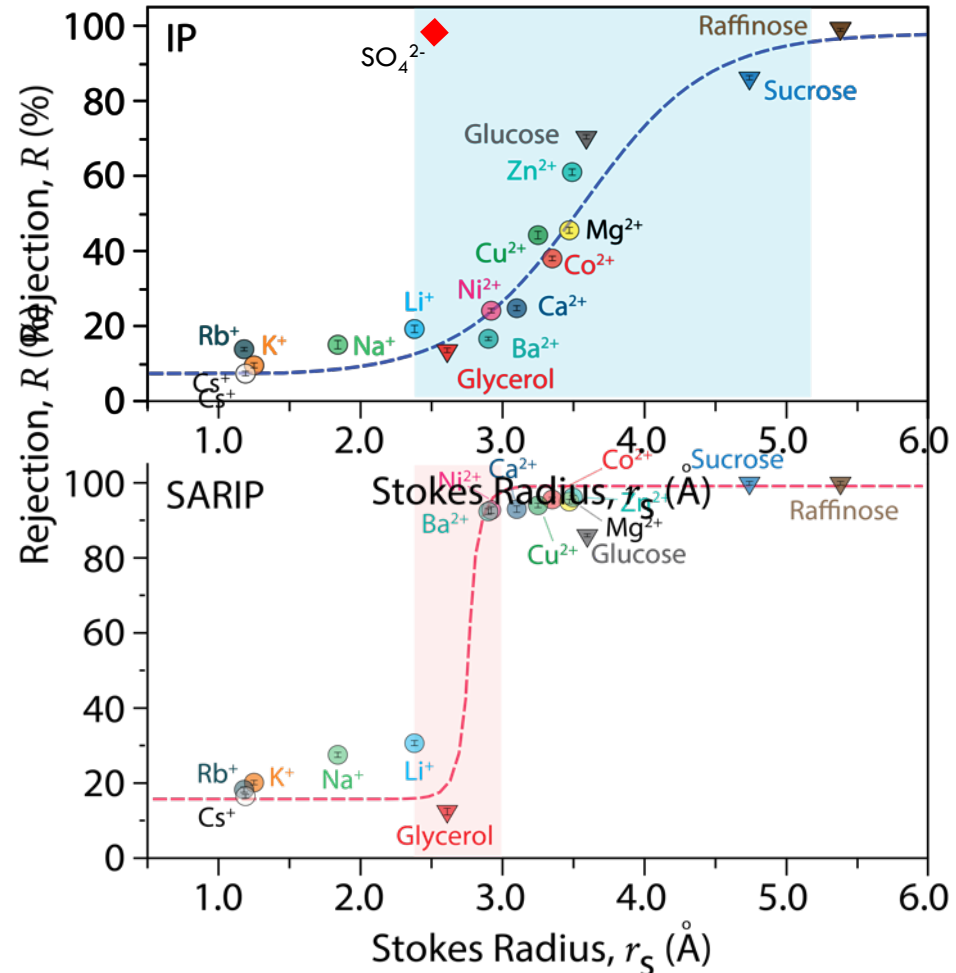
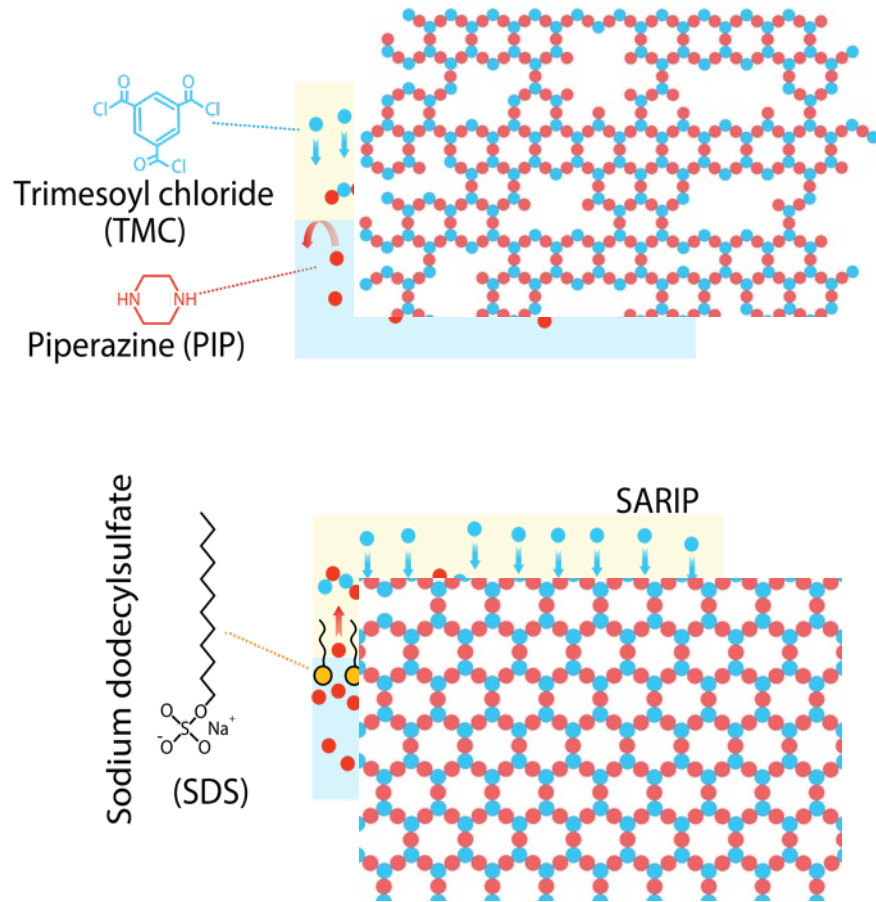
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- Has been achieved in MF membranes via track-etching.
- But track-etching cannot create sub-nanometer pores for NF.

Interfacial polymerization: the industrial state-of-the-art

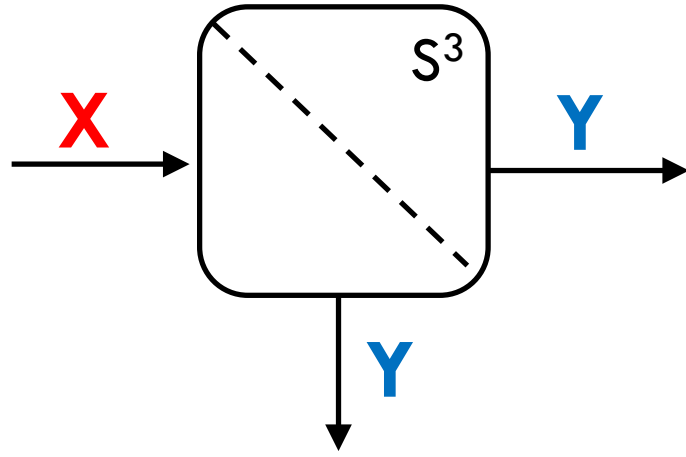


Polyamide membrane with sub-1 Å precision for S^3



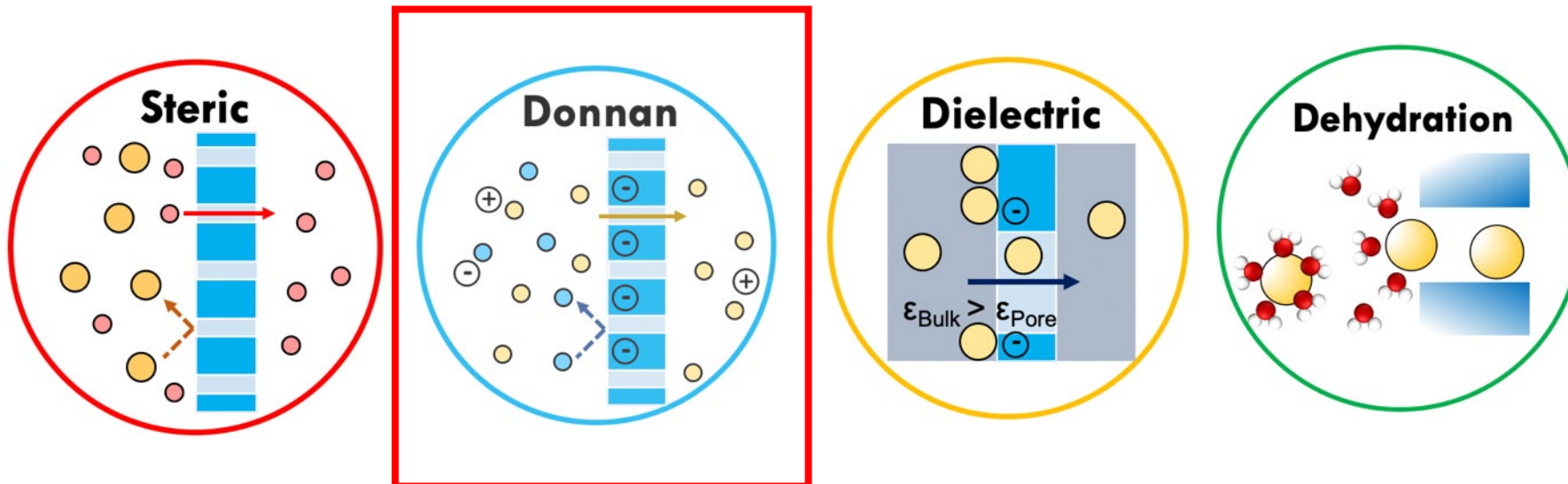
Liang et al., *Nature Comm.*, 2020

Can we make S^3 more adaptable?

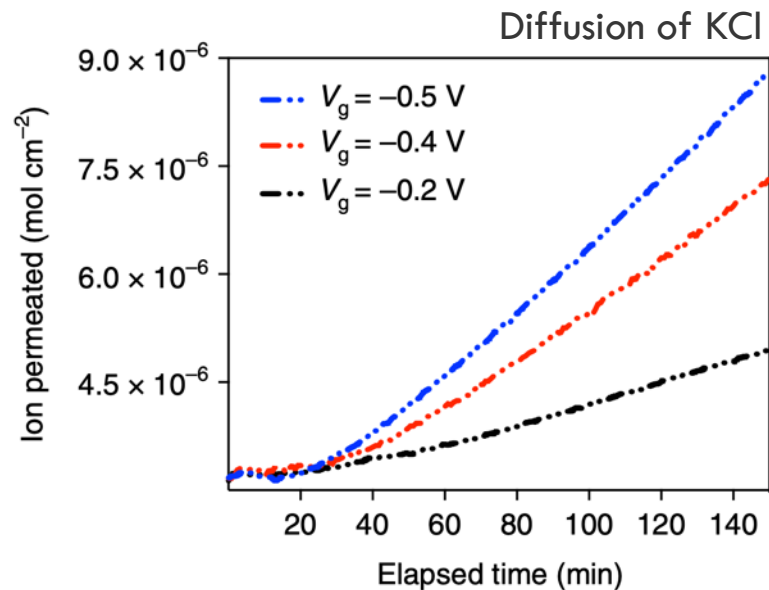
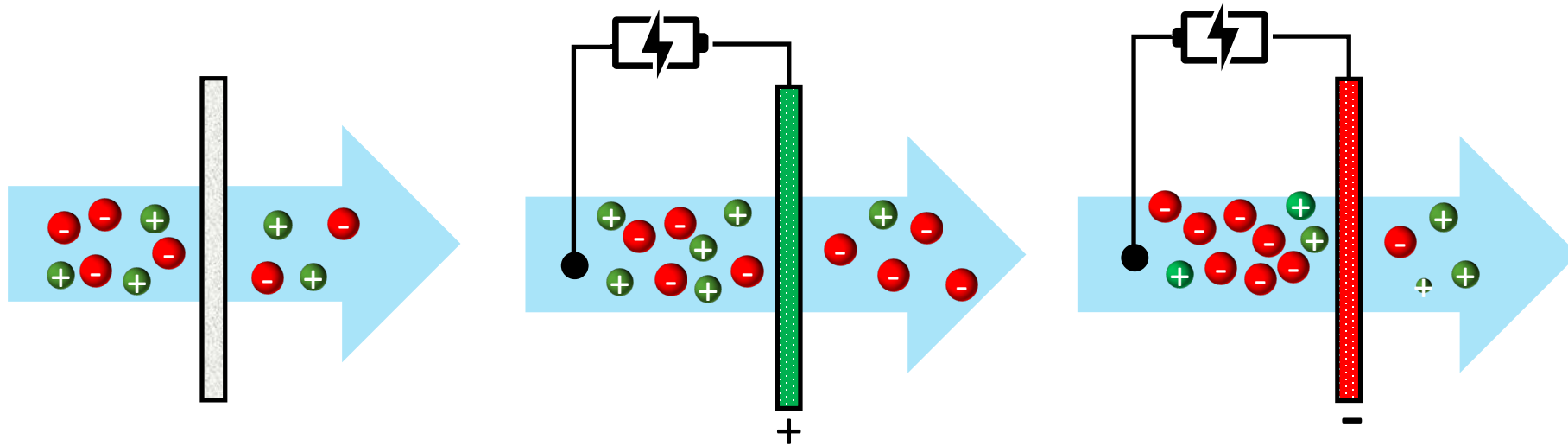


- applicable in multiple scenarios
- accommodate temporal variations in feedwater quality
- control product water quality on demand

Unlikely with conventional NF process



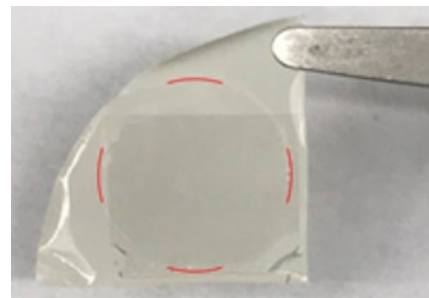
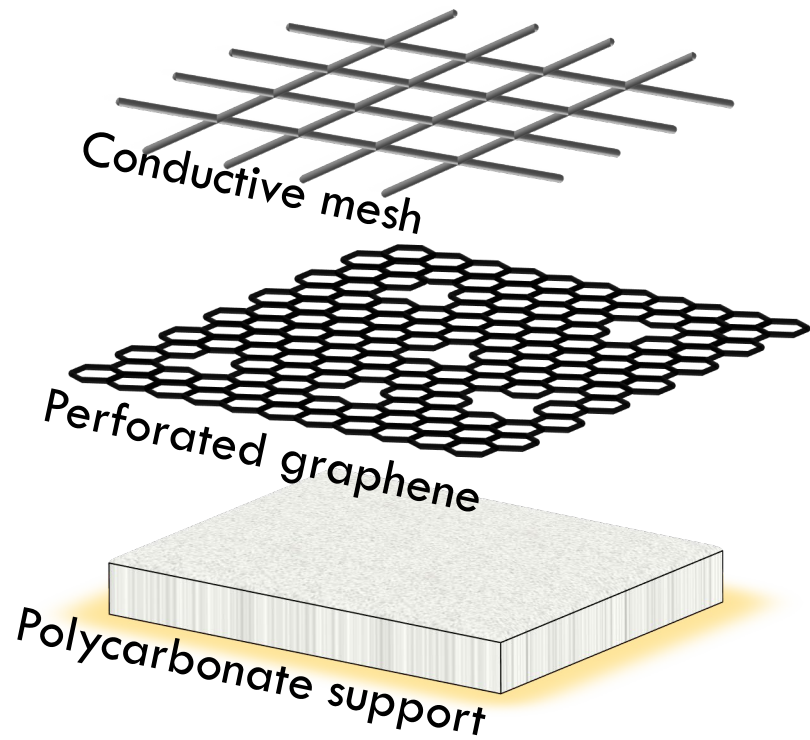
Electro-regulated nanofiltration (e-NF)



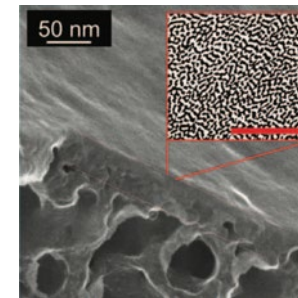
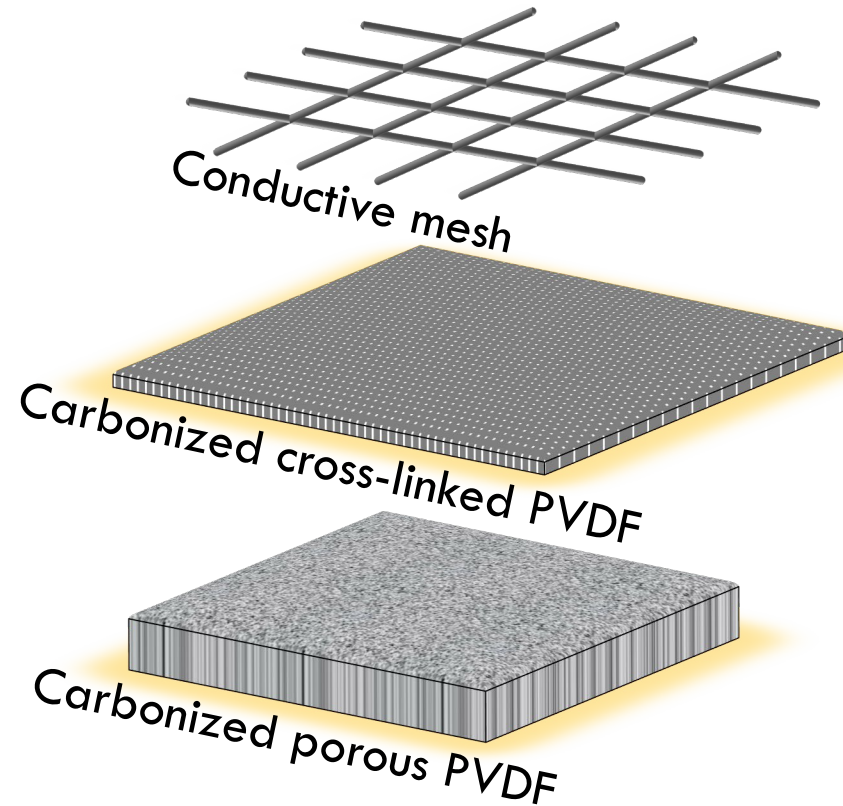
Cheng et al., *Nature Nanotech*, 2018, 13, 685

- Positive vs. negative
- Multivalent vs. monovalent
- Charged vs. neutral

Electro-regulated nanofiltration (e-NF)



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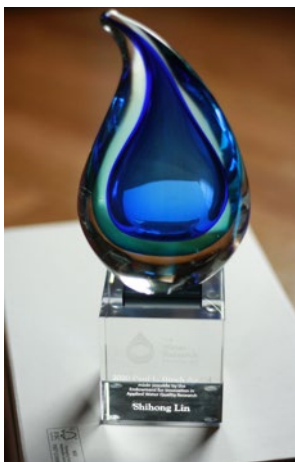


Koh et.al., *Science*, 2016

Summary

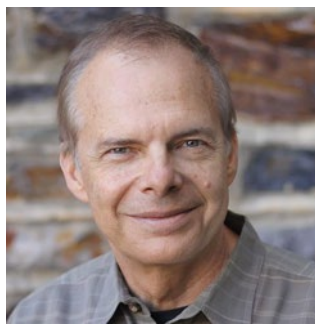
- Selective solute separation (S^3) is the new frontier of membrane-based water separation
- Electro-regulated NF (e-NF) can potentially make S^3 more adaptable.
- The Paul L. Busch Award will support the development of e-NF and advancing the fundamental understanding of S^3 .

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Panel Discussion

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