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## MAJOR RESEARCH INTERESTS

Research in my group concentrates on nanoelectronics and semiconductor nanotechnology. We actively engage the challenges faced in the miniaturization of electronics circuits and semiconductor devices. Recently, we focus on the fabrication and characterization of nanoscale transistors, on strain engineering techniques to enhance the performance of nanoscale devices, and on materials innovation to improve transistor performance. Work in this area has direct impact on the future of electronics products and semiconductor technology. Current projects in our group include

1. Nanoelectronics. Nanoscale transistor fabrication and characterization.
2. Strain and band structure engineering in solid-state devices.
3. Novel materials for nanotechnology.

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