

Next generation PV technologies

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Isn't PV already high-performance and inexpensive? Yes! But there are still challenges...


Maybe we wouldn't need the next generation of PV if:

- We had an unlimited supply of cheap panels (e.g. from China)
- AND we had an infinite supply of raw materials
- AND we had limitless space to install panels

Why Next Generation PV?

- Each efficiency improvement strengthens the economic case
- Reduced material consumption → lower ecological footprint & less dependence
- Lightweight, flexible, and adaptable important to tackle space constraints

Integrated PV: Netherlands is already leading

 **Fraunhofer**
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Upcoming star: AgriPV




Next2Sun



Programmalijn
geïntegreerde
Zon-PV-producten

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PV-geïntegreerd in daken en gevels (BIPV), voertuigen (VIPV) en infrastructuur (IIPV)

R&D-pilotlijn 4T Si-Pk tandemcellen, >30% rendement

Automotive, VIPV

Solarge • Exasun • Energyra • Lightyear • Taylor • Compoform • IM Efficiency • TNO • SolarLab

Nieuwe producten 3 GW_p

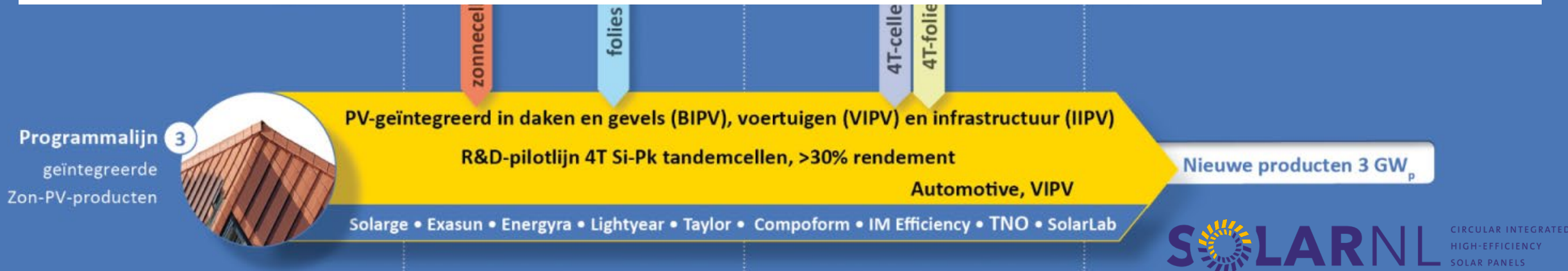
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CIRCULAR INTEGRATED
HIGH-EFFICIENCY
SOLAR PANELS

Made in Europe needs high efficiency

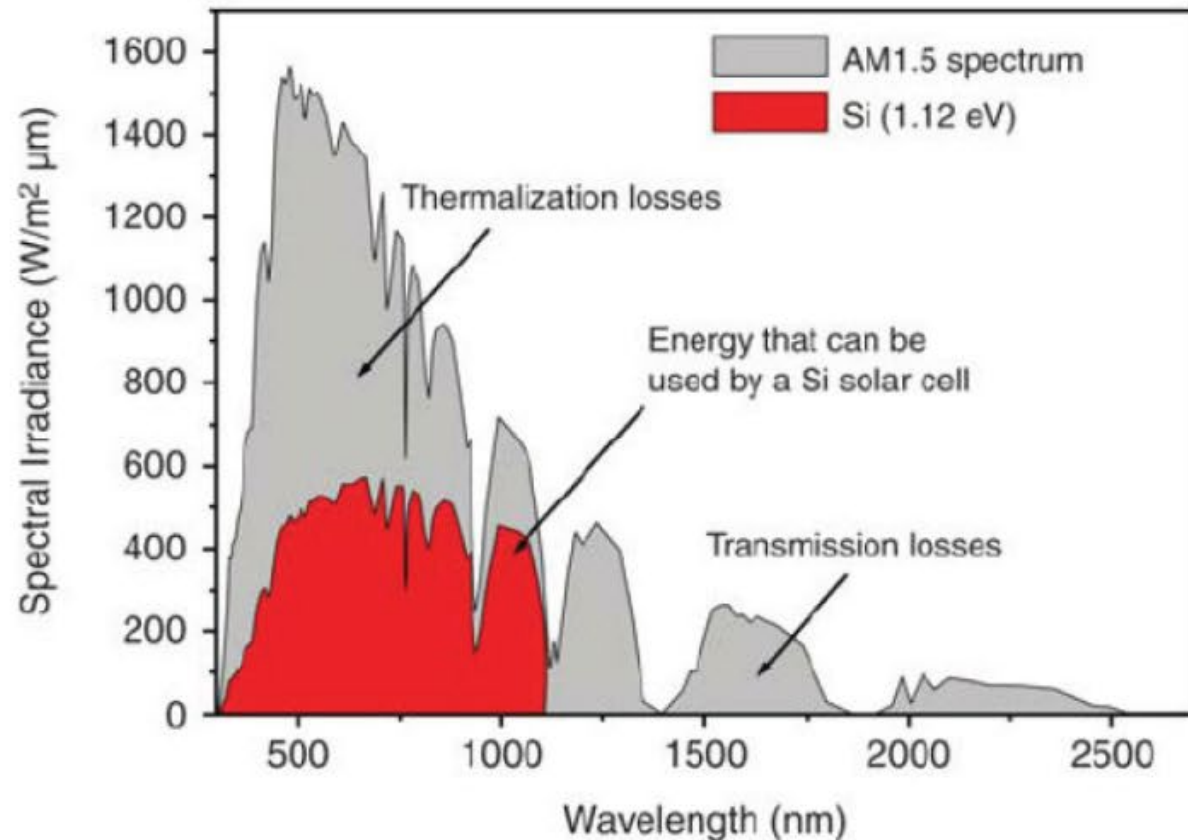
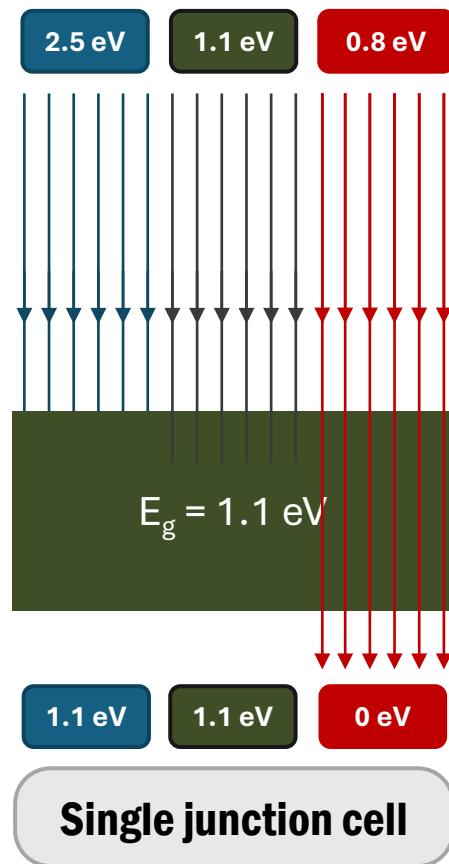


Best silicon solar cells possible



Isn't silicon sufficient?

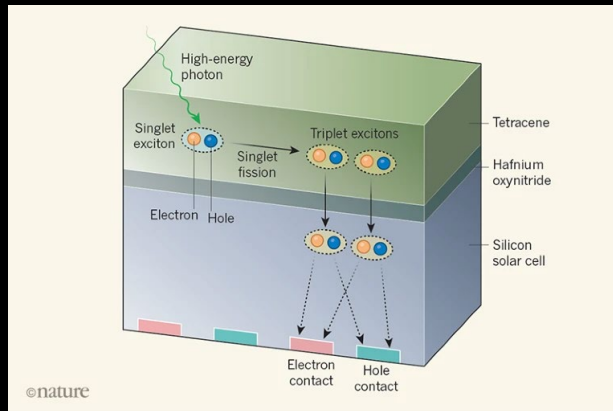
If there weren't all the ifs, but also there is so much potential!!!



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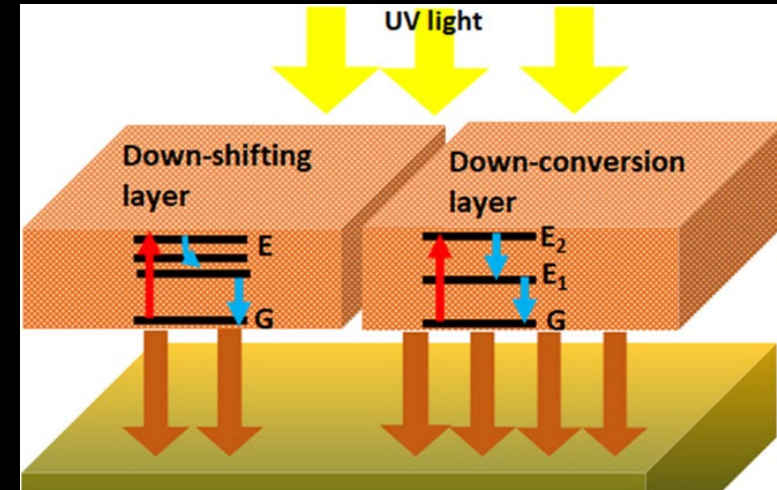
Silicon + partner: possible examples

Singlet fission



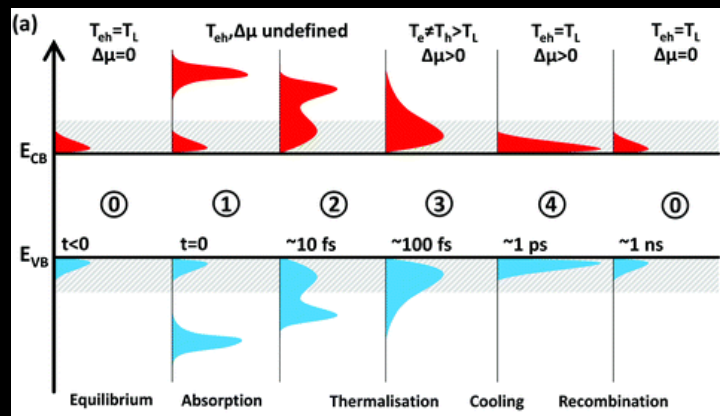
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Up/Down-conversion & shifting



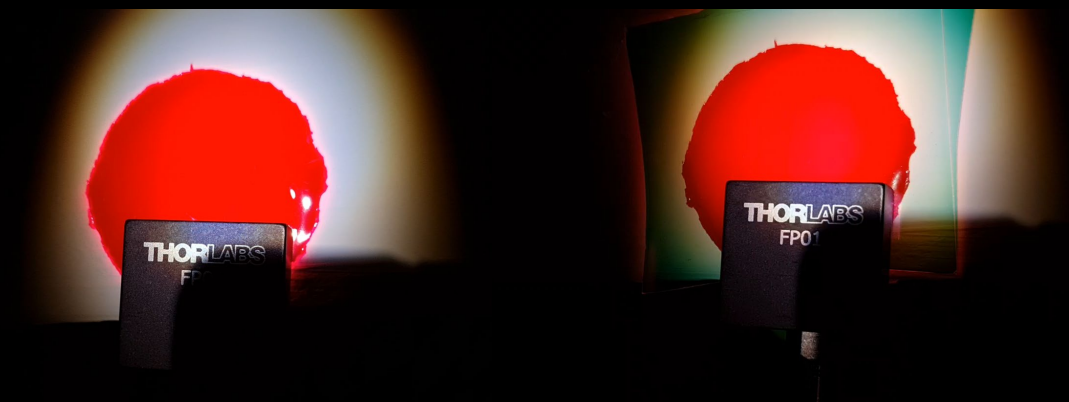
Swansea University, RRL Solar

Hot carriers



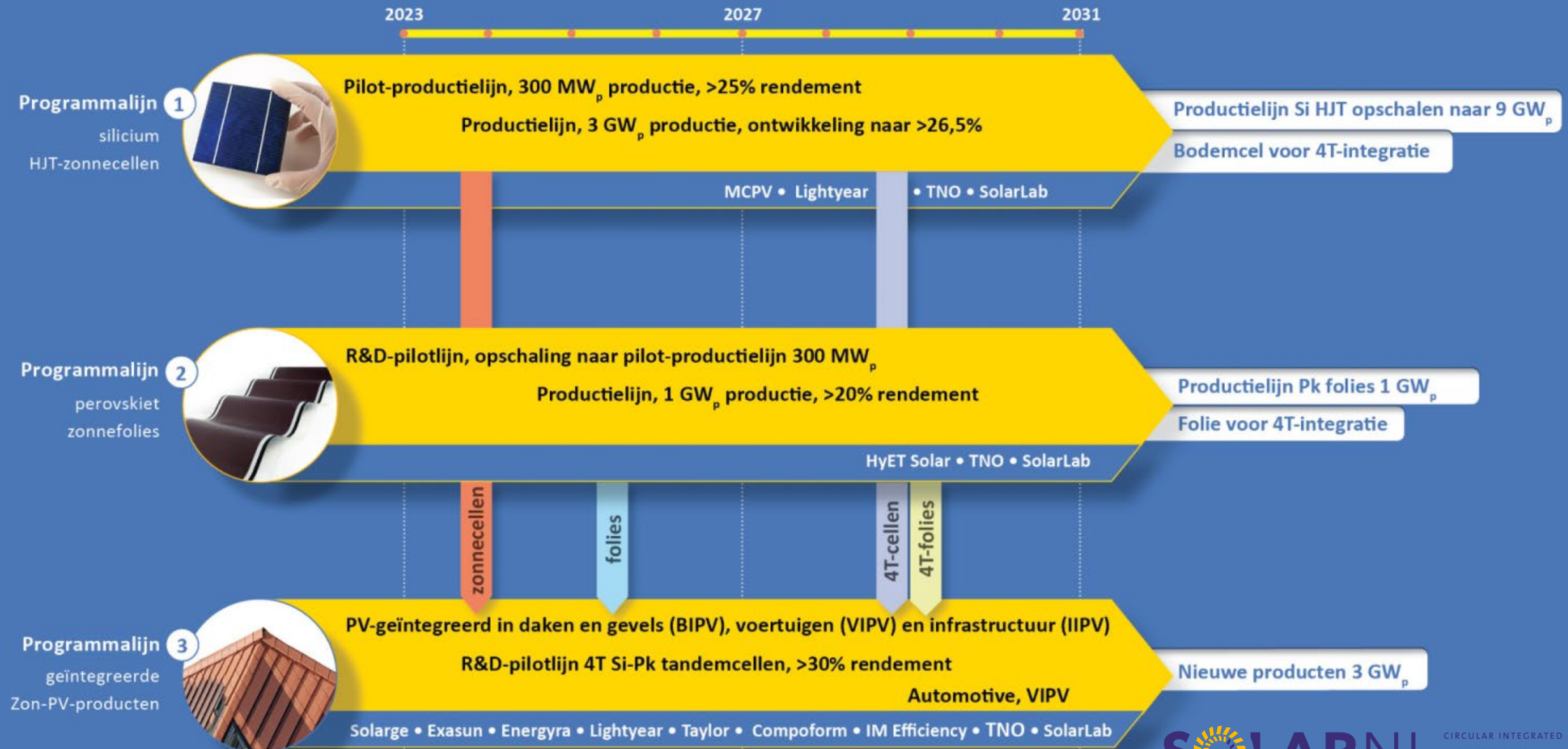
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Luminescent solar concentrators



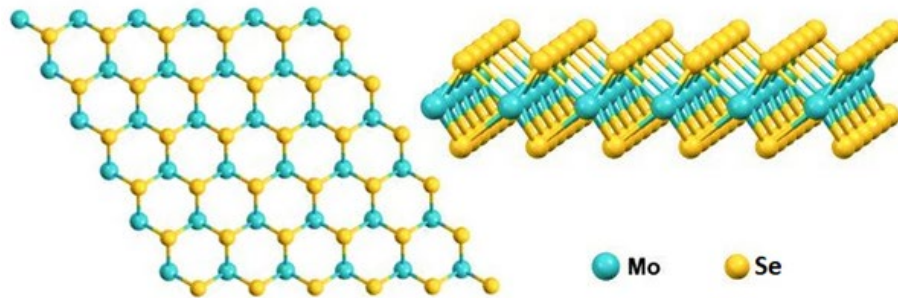
Saive group, UTwente

The prince on the horse: Perovskite

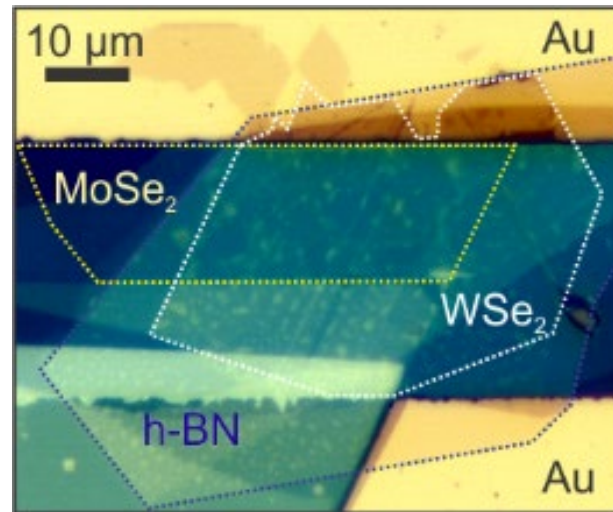


Materials consumption, how low can we go?

2D PV



Light-weight
Earth abundant



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Panel
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Eline Hutter & Monica Morales Masis