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#### **Materials booster**



Develops, produces & sells silicon-based nanopowders that disruptively improve the properties of industrial materials



# Nano silicon as a key enabling technology in the framework of the present European effort to develop a battery European industry.

#### Innovation, scale-up, industrial growth.

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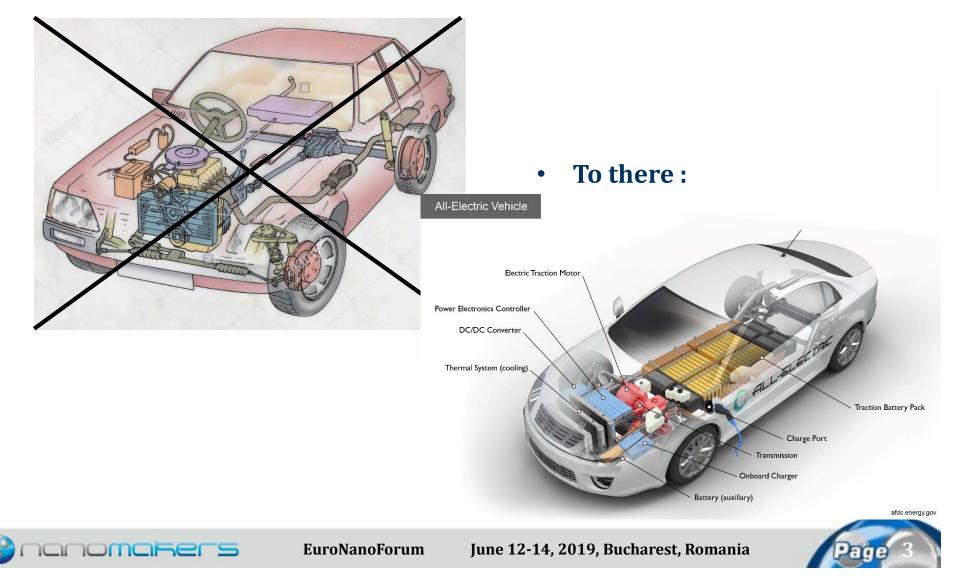






#### Electrical mobility challenges

• Or how do we do to get from here :

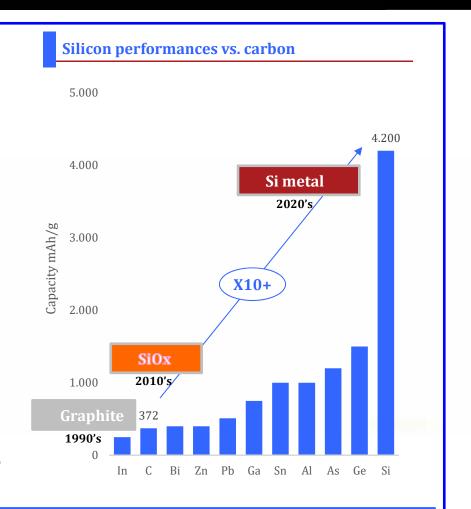




#### The industry silicon-based anode consensus

- Strong demand for innovation with major R&D efforts aiming at:
  - i. improving density (autonomy)
  - ii. improving **lifetime**
- Technical improvements have mainly taken place on the cathode material so far
- Industry research efforts currently cast on improving anode capacity using silicon instead of graphite, multiplying energy storage but generating two major challenges:





Solving the cracking and oxidation issues are **key enablers** for the **commercialization** of **new generation** Li-ion **batteries : NM SiΩC** 

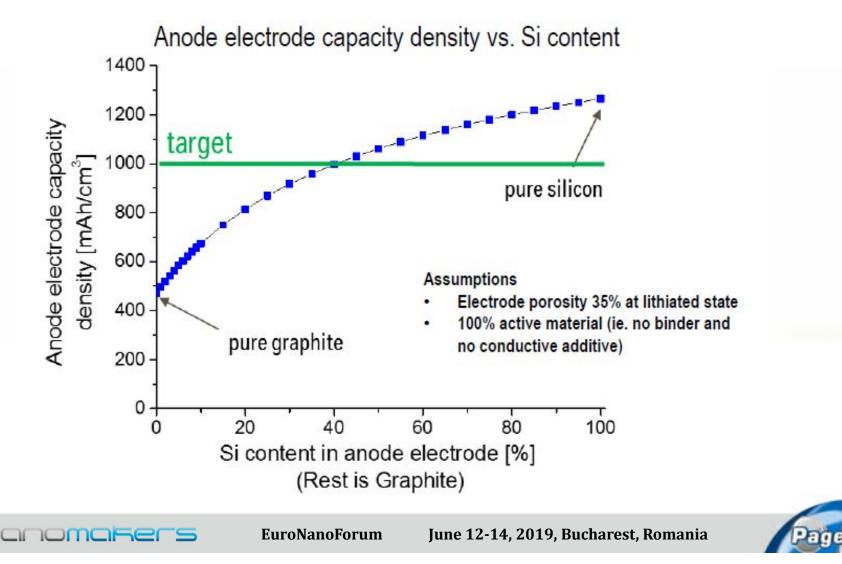


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OEMs Intention: **BMW** showed at Battery Japan 2018 **30-50% silicon** should be suitable for final target.





### Market study for Li-ion Battery

#### Perspectives nano-Si @ 2030 (tpa)

Forecast		2020			2025			2030	
Target markets	Anode material (ton)	Composite Si-C (ton)	% Si-C in overall power	Anode material (ton)	Composite Si-C (ton)	% Si-C in overall power	Anode material (ton)	Composite Si-C (ton)	% Si-C in overall power
EV	62 468	1 750	7%	93 701	7 000	16,6%	109 318	24 500	37,4%
3C	40 000	2 000	5%	55 000	5 500	10%	64 000	21 120	33%
Other niche markets	8 000	1200	15%	12 000	3 000	25%	14 000	8 400	60%
****	110 500	4 950	CAGR =	<del>- 5,5 % (</del> .	AM) / 279	% (Si-C)	187 318	54 100	

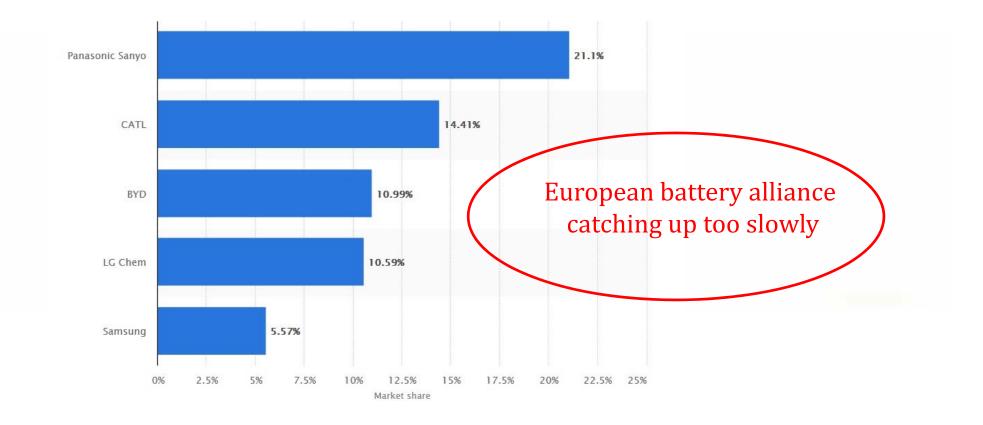
Tonnage calculated based on graphite with a capacity of 300 mAh/g and Si-C composite with a capacity of 800 mAh/g





### Where is Europe?

#### • Li Ion batteries manufacturers / Q1 2018









## The key technology : carbon coated silicon nanomaterial.

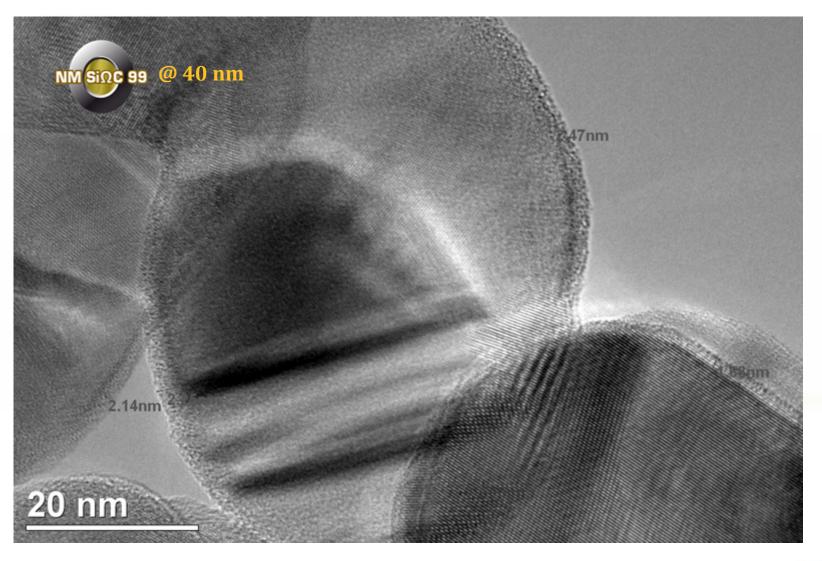








## NM Si $\Omega$ C for high density batteries









#### **NM SiΩC99 Product Advantages:**

- Our novel nanocomposite  $Si\Omega C$  overcomes the limitations of
  - pure or non nano Si (cracking and oxidation)
- Silicon-based particle
  - 1. Homogeneous particle size distribution
  - 2. Small size (40 nm)
  - 3. Low oxygen content (< 2% wt.), purity in the range of SemiCon
- Carbon shell

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- 1. protects Si from direct electrolyte exposure,
- 2. favors the creation of a stable SEI layer, and
- 3. improves the **affinity of Si** with most **graphites** and **binders** (CMC, PVDF...).
- Chain like structure enables high conductivity of Si $\Omega$ C

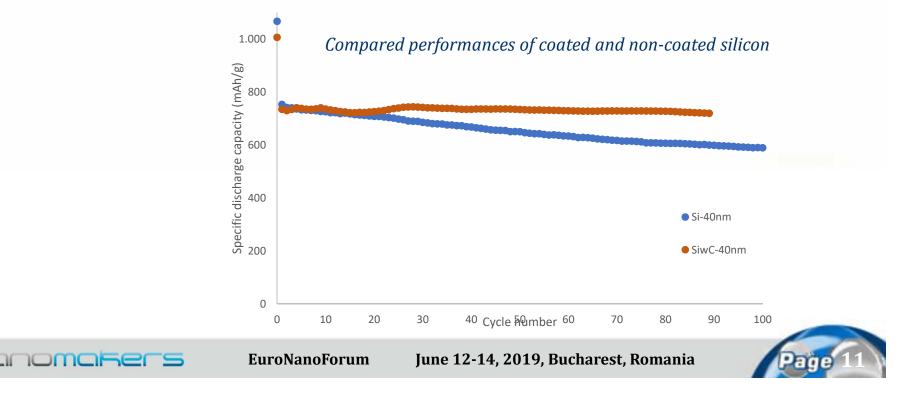




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#### NM SiΩC99 Product Advantages (used in composite) :

- Anode performance is improved when using a structured Graphite/n-SiΩC composite, which offers significant improvements in both the gravimetric and the volumetric energy density over commercially used graphite.
- Such composites show a **high initial coulombic** efficiency and an **excellent cycling performance**.





#### **NM SiΩC99 Product applications:**

<u>2 approaches for Lithium-ion Battery application:</u>

- **1.** Horizon 2020, Liquid type LiB : Adding NM SiΩC99 to anode materials (SiOx, graphite, etc.) to improve the current anode energy density
  - Mixing nano SiΩC with anode materials,
  - Introducing into existing anode manufacturing process,
  - Improving LiB performances by increasing anode specific capacity
- **2.** Horizon 2030/40, All Solid State : Using NM SiΩC99 as main anode material combining with solid electrolyte and solid cathode to make All Solid-State Battery.
  - Multiplying specific capacity of anode by 2-3 (compared with liquid type LiB)
  - Controlled silicon volume expansion: simpler battery design compared to Li metal
  - Providing a safer system for LiB: no dendrite formation, no inflammation if puncturated
  - No "dead Li"

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• Si anode compatible with LiS battery



## Highest quality process & products

Precise, reliable and secure technology

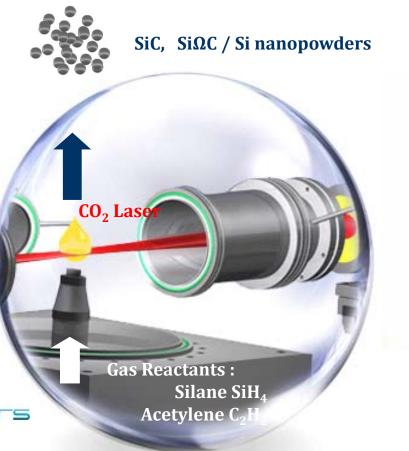
#### Laser pyrolysis process:

- 1. The **laser** beam **breaks** the **molecules** of gaseous or vapor–phase precursors
- 2. crystals start building up abruptly
- 3. Particle **size** is **controlled** by a fast **quenching** which stops the particle growth

#### **Experience and expertise:**

- 33 years of Ce2 know how
- +7 years at pilot scale 222
- +7 years industrial scale <a>nonomonec</a>

#### ... guarantee of results







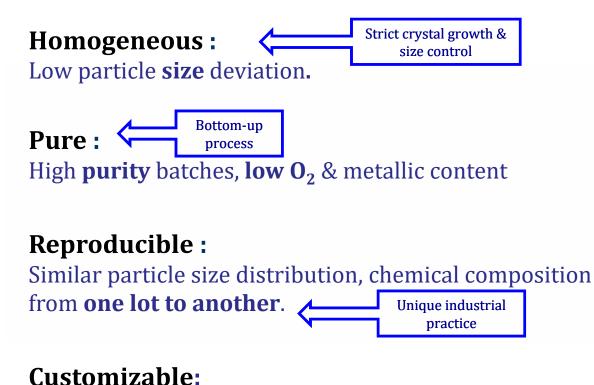


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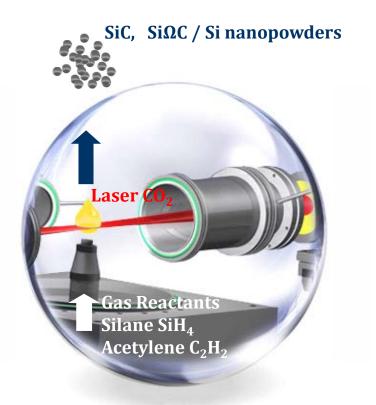
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Size, Surface, Coating

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#### Innovation, scale-up, industrial growth : A lot of challenges to solve.





## The pillars to enable a safe growth

- Safety first
  - Safe by design
  - Safe operations
  - Occupational health and safety
- Quality matters
  - Reproducibility and narrowed specifications are tremendous competitive advantages
  - Industrial standards are relevant : ISO, TS, Copy Exact, ...

#### Environmental responsibility

- Anticipate national and European regulations
- Integrate environmental constraints by anticipating plant layout
- Have a risk management approach from the very beginning





## An industrial company

... since 2012

Industrial production facility in Rambouillet (50 km Paris)

- 40 t/year capacity
- Storage & distribution AIR LIQUIDE for 200+ t/year

#### Quality control

- Procedures, Certificate of Analysis
- Own quality control lab
- ISO 9001





- « no contact » Strategy
- for small and larger quantities
- "safe by design"







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- Take the technical lead : we have key enabling technology in a very competitive environment
- Integrate the value chain inside European borders : battery production is a long process
- Compete for the next revolution







## **Questions?**

## Thank you all for your attention!











When small makes a difference : the « **Nano effect** »