Nature Publishing Group announces the launch of *Nature Nanotechnology*

Nature Publishing Group (NPG) is delighted to announce the launch of *Nature Nanotechnology*, a new research journal dedicated to all aspects of nanoscience and nanotechnology. The first issue of *Nature Nanotechnology*, published today and available online at [www.nature.com/naturenanotechnology](http://www.nature.com/naturenanotechnology), reflects the journal’s broad scope by including topics as diverse as the separation of metallic and semiconducting carbon nanotubes to the development of potential memory devices made from tobacco mosaic virus.

Several papers report novel work with nanotubes, including the first nanotube-based SQUID, and there are also papers on a new molecular “ruler” and novel effects in silicon nanowires. These research articles are complemented by a review article on molecular motors, a commentary article on scanning probe microscopes, a thesis article about the interactions between nanotechnology and society, research highlights, a book review and the News and Views section. The first issue also contains a special feature in which 13 experts answer the question: “what is nanotechnology?”

*Nature Nanotechnology* will also be the first NPG research journal to have an editor in the Asia-Pacific region. Dr Ai Lin Chun joined the journal as an Associate Editor from the National Institute for Nanotechnology in Alberta, Canada, earlier this year. Dr Chun received her PhD in biomedical engineering from Purdue University in the US. Nature Nanotechnology will also have a part-time Editorial Consultant – Dr Adarsh Sandhu, an associate professor at the Tokyo Institute of Technology – in Tokyo. Dr Chun and Dr Sandhu will visit leading research laboratories in Japan, China, Korea and elsewhere to encourage submissions of top quality research papers to the journal.

The decision to have editors in Tokyo reflects the strengths of the Asia-Pacific region in nanotechnology. Japan is second only to the US in terms of investment in nanotechnology research, and South Korea is ranked fifth in the world. China is also emerging as a force in nanotechnology. “Basing editors in this region gives NPG and *Nature Nanotechnology* a unique advantage ensuring we publish the best research coming from this fast moving field and dynamic region” said Dr Jason Wilde, Publisher for the Physical Sciences, at NPG.

The editorial team of the journal is completed by two London-based Associate Editors.

Dr Stuart Cantrill joined the journal from the University of California, Los Angeles, where he was a lecturer and research associate in the department of chemistry and biochemistry. During this period, he also ran the editorial office of Organic Letters (an American Chemical Society journal) and worked for the California NanoSystems Institute.

Dr Jessica Thomas joined NPG from Brookhaven National Laboratory in the US earlier this year. After receiving her PhD from MIT, Dr Thomas spent two years as a postdoctoral researcher at Brookhaven, before joining the staff in 2004.
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