



# NCI Alliance for **Nanotechnology** in Cancer

**Nanotechnology and Cancer Research:  
Technical and Clinical Perspectives**

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# Nanotechnology is already in the clinic!

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- Liposomes
- DNA chips
- Proteomic nanotechnology
- Imaging contrast agents



# Nanotech capabilities are applicable to cancer research and clinical needs

- Identify the signs of disease early
- Visualize the development of the disease
- Capture early signals of drug efficacy
- Deliver improved cancer therapy
  - Increased therapeutic effectiveness
  - Reduced side effects
  - Personalized medicine
- Improve quality of life

# Nanotechnology enables early detection of cancer

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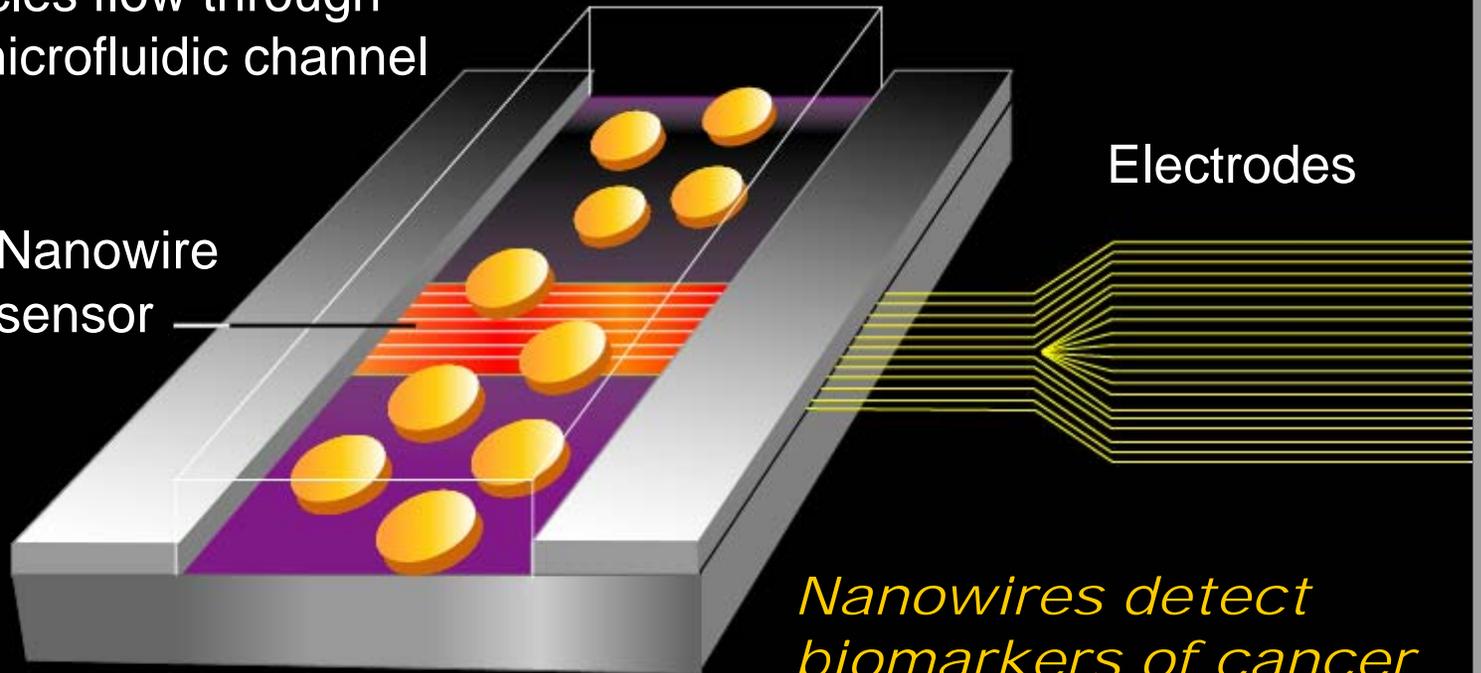
## *Nanowire Sensor*

Particles flow through the microfluidic channel

Nanowire sensor

Electrodes

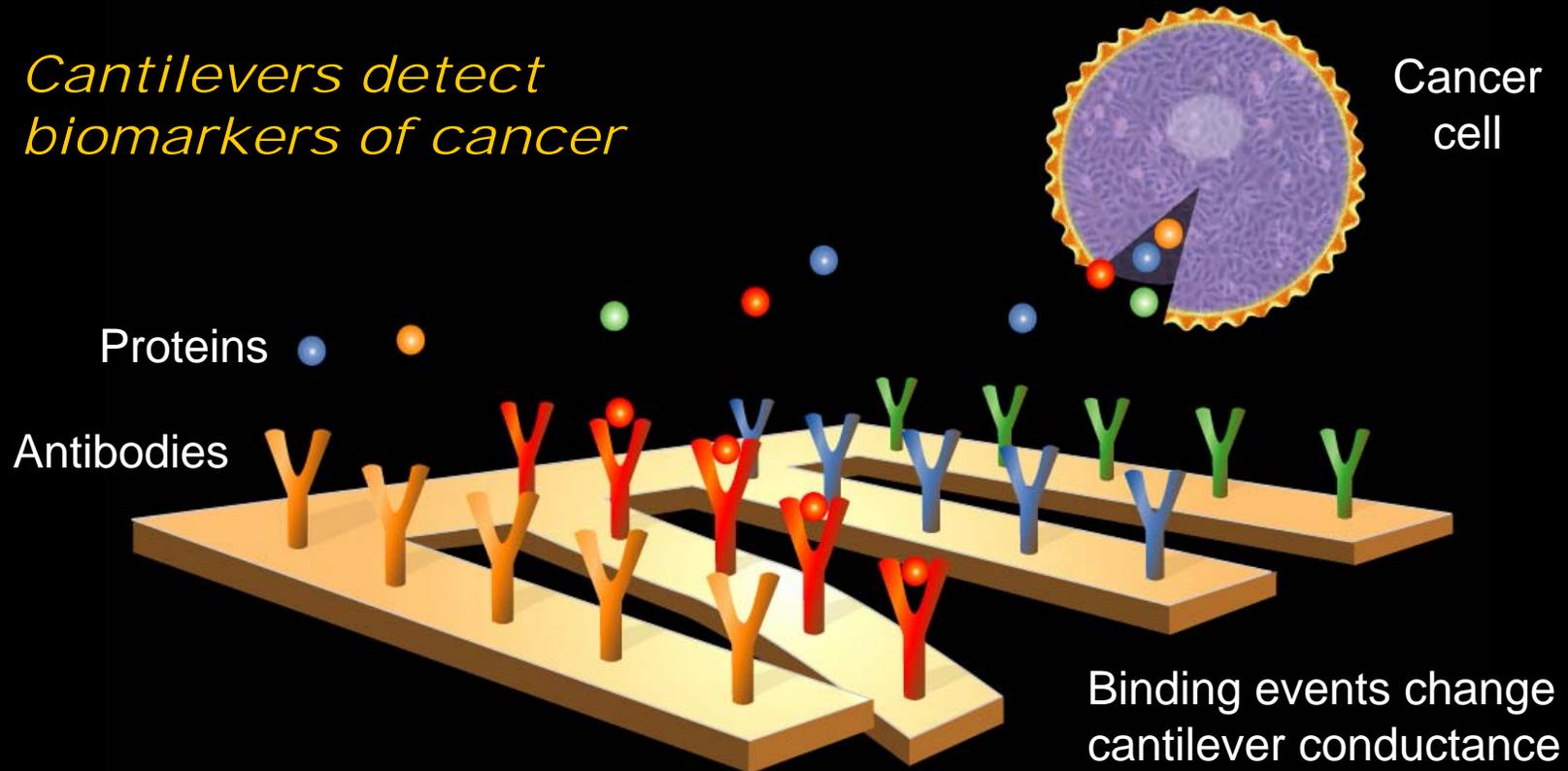
*Nanowires detect biomarkers of cancer*



# Nanotech detects multiple molecular signatures

## *Nanoscale Cantilevers*

*Cantilevers detect biomarkers of cancer*

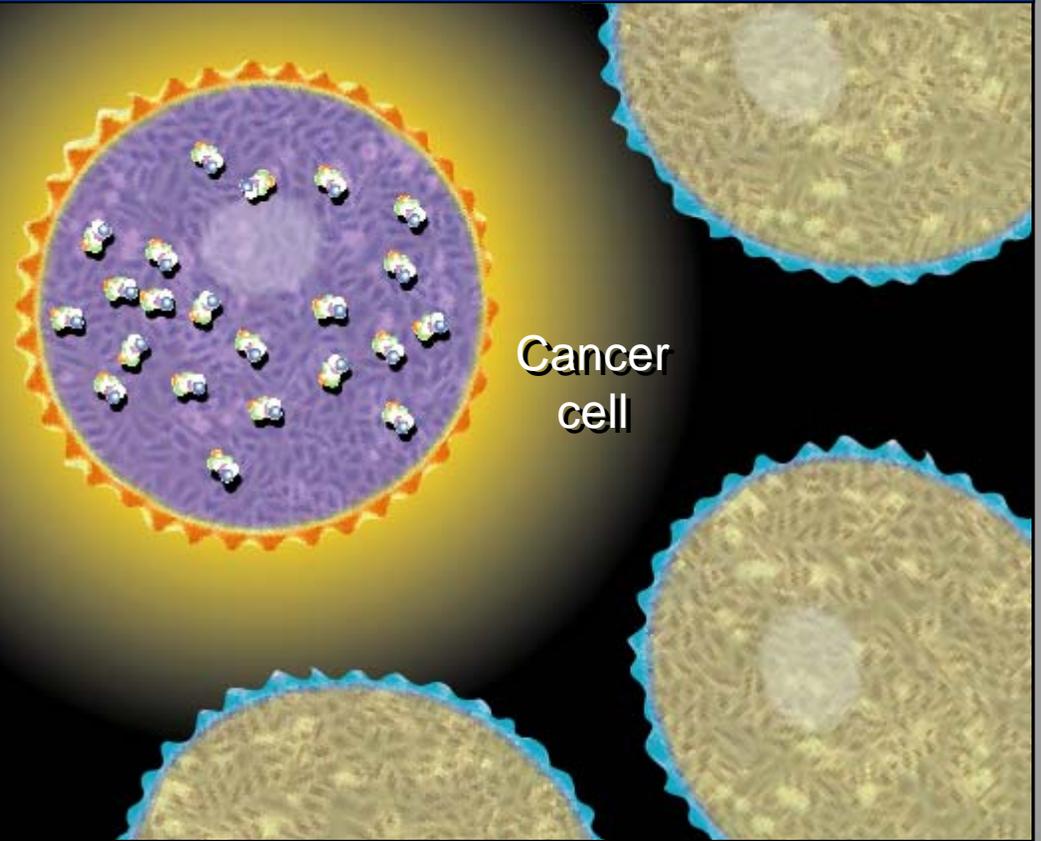


# Nanotech allows visualization of cancer lesions and monitoring of therapeutic response

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## *Nanoparticles*

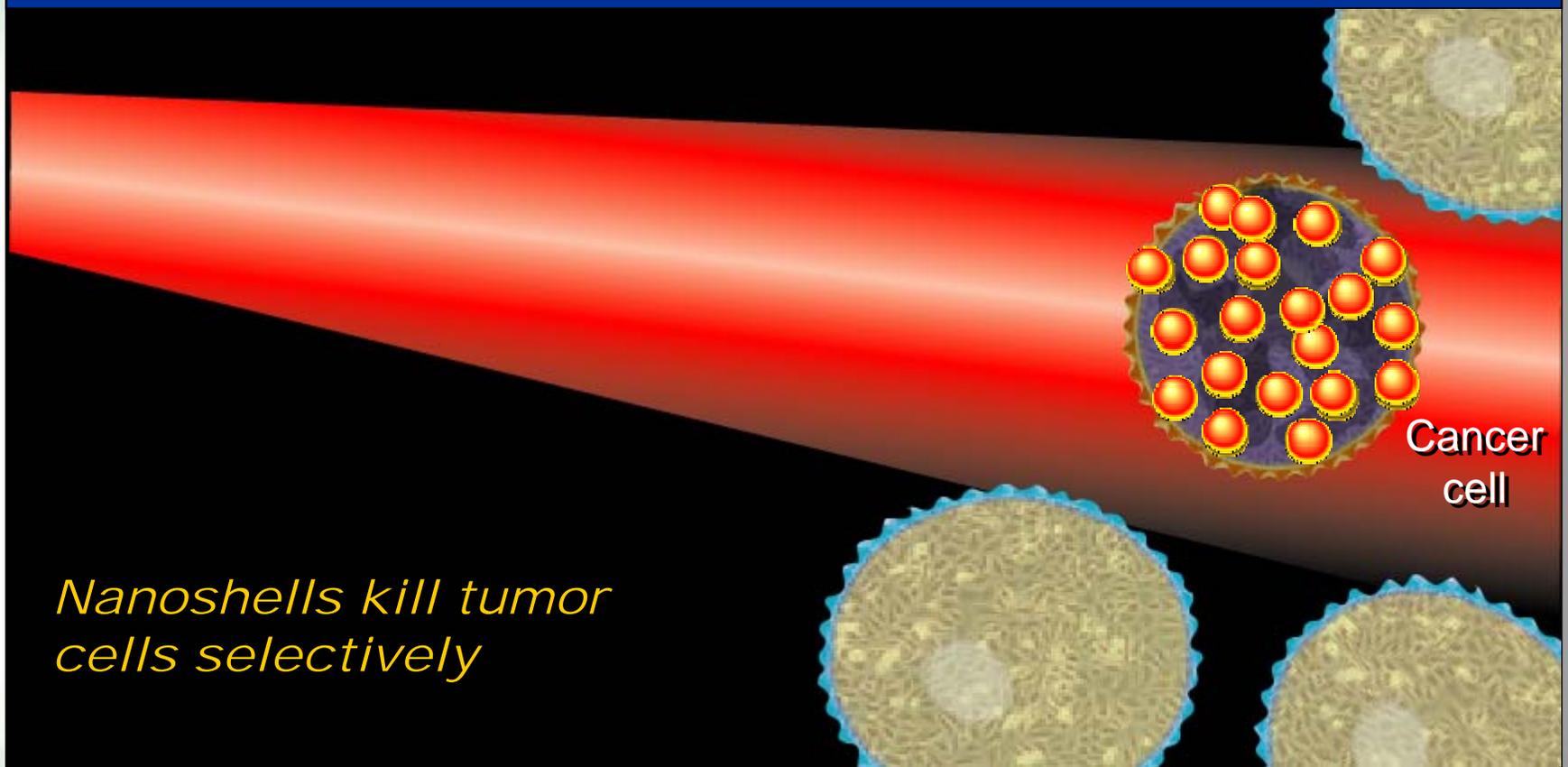
*Nanoparticles used for molecular imaging of malignant lesions*



# Nanotech enables targeted delivery of therapeutics

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## Nanoshells



*Nanoshells kill tumor cells selectively*

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# Keys to Success in Cancer Nanotechnology

- Focus on solving significant problems in cancer
- Translate technologies for clinical application
- Establish interdisciplinary, problem-solving teams
- Conduct cross-disciplinary education and training
- Identify opportunities for integration with private sector
- Consider regulatory issues in the context of clinical development
- Develop consensus on technology standardization



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