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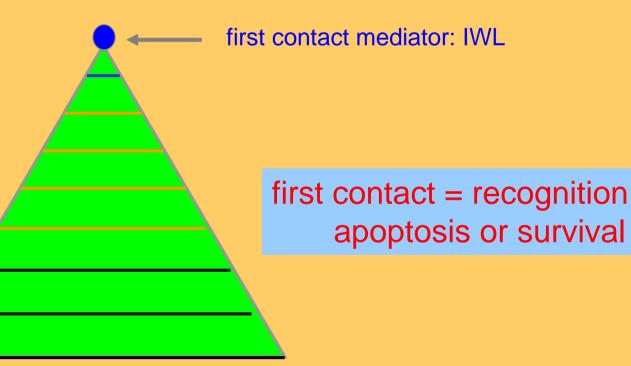


Vision

Biomimetic principles cell-cell interaction & design of biomaterials

- 9 determinants
- **Understand individually**
- Understand interplay & relative importance

Water elasticity Water structure Nanostructure Microstructure Surface charge Chemistry Elasticity Hardness Durability



## Methods to image IWLs in air & subaquatically

NSOM, AFM, AFAM, Extended Drop Evaporation, Surface Conductivity H-Diamond ...



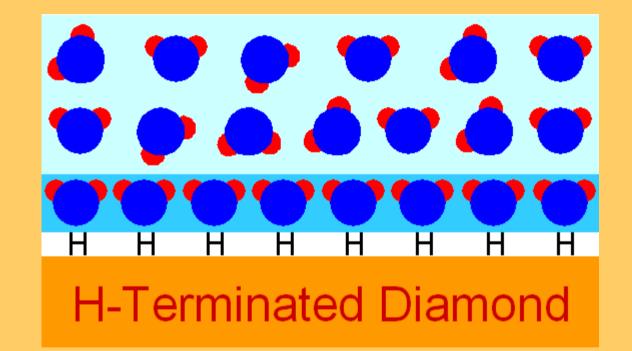
Diamond: insulator H-terminated diamond: electrically conductive More on this: next talk

## **Results** (→ Posters)

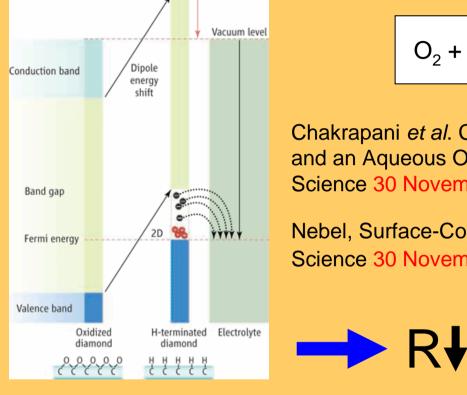
IWLs differ in order from bulk water IWLs can be modulated by visible light Central Result: IWLs persist subaquatically



## Conclusions



## IWLs in air ... H-terminated Diamond



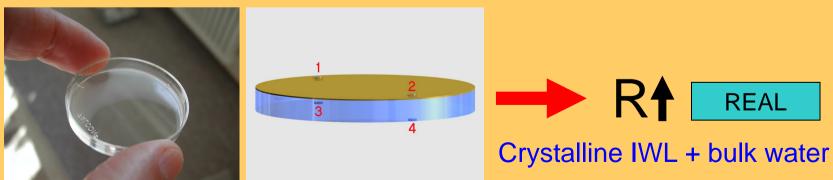
$$O_2 + 4H^+ + 4e^- \leftrightarrow 2H_2O$$

Chakrapani *et al.* Charge Transfer Equilibria Between Diamond and an Aqueous Oxygen Electrochemical Redox Couple, Science 30 November 2007, 1424-1430

**EXPECTED** 

Nebel, Surface-Conducting Diamond, Science 30 November 2007,1391-1392





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