## CENTRO NAST about 100 Researchers



Nanoscienze & Nanotecnologie & Strumentazione

CENTRO INTERDIPARTIMENTALE
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Researchers also from Other Universities, CNR, CNISM, ENEA, INFN

• NAST is NEW!

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### The NAST activity includes

• 3 Research Projects

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Theory

#### Research Project on NANOMATERIALS coordinated by Fulvia Patella

- Optics of Clean and Functionalized surfaces (Chiaradia, Goletti)
- Micro Raman Spectroscopy of Nanostructures (Richter)
- Organic thin films (Venanzi, Stella)
  - Semiconductor Quantum Dots (Balzarotti + Patella)
- Carbon Nanostructures (Morales)
- Superconductors (Balestrino)
- Application to fuel cells (Licoccia)

#### Research Project on BIOMATERIALS coordinated by Nicola Rosato

- Nanoparticles as cellular nanoprobes (Rosato)
- Health impact of Nanostructures (Magrini)
- Tissue engineering (Di Nardo)
- Stem cell tissue engineering (Traversa, Gambacurta)

#### Research Project on ADVANCED INSTRUMENTATION coordinated by Piergiorgio Picozza

- New instruments for neutron spectroscopy, application to cultural heritage (Andreani, Albertano)
- Free Electron Laser feasibility (Catani)
- Design of high reliability electronic components (Salsano)
- Application of new materials and components to Astroparticle Physics (Picozza)
- Applications to Nuclear Medicine (Schillaci)

# THEORETICAL RESEARCH coordinated by Rodolfo Del Sole

- Ab initio theory of optical properties (Del Sole)
- Biomolecules (Guidoni)
- Transport in Carbon Nanotubes (Cini)
- Light-matter interaction, polariton laser (Kavokin)
- Superconductivity (Cini, Varlamov)
- Structure of polymers, DNA bases, proteins... (Desideri, Morante, Palleschi)