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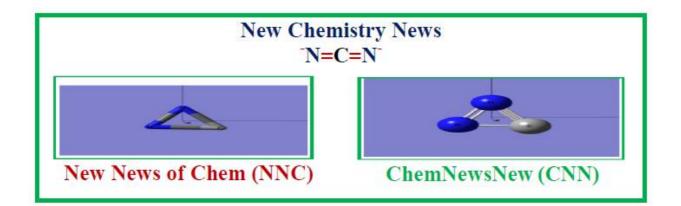
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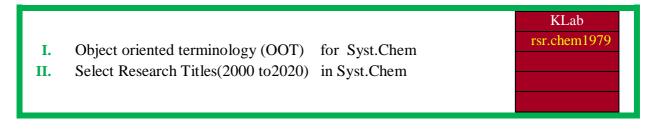
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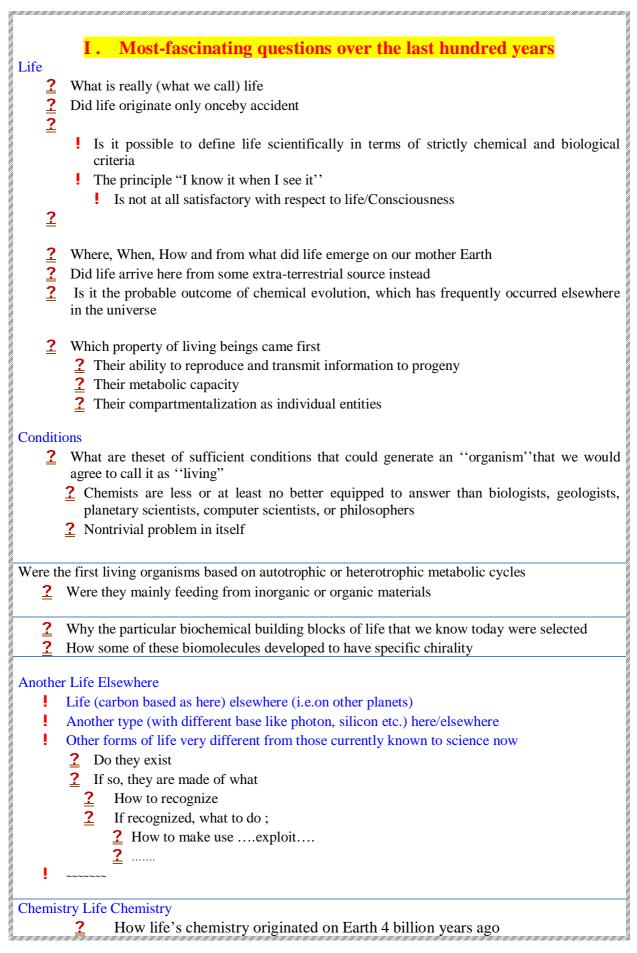




# CNN – 37 Systems Chemistry (Syst.Chem., SC)-I

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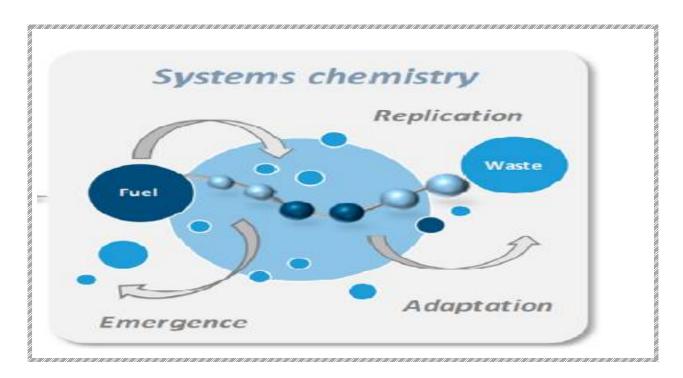
<u>?</u> ? How it evolved over 1 billion years in the first phase

- How evolution over last ca 3 billion years resulted in homo sapiens (wise men)
- 2 How last ca 100K years evolution finetuned homo sapiens into modern species with slow/little evolution rate

A grand challenge in today's science			
Li	ving species from chemical systems		
Living systems	<ul> <li>Possible pathways for</li> <li>Lifeless chemical soup (inanimate matter) →living systems</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Transition of chemistry into biology</li> <li>Acquisition of function characteristics</li> <li>To replicate</li> <li>To metabolize</li> <li>To be spatially segregated from its environment</li> <li>Functional integration of all of these characteristic</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>+ Active</li> <li>+ Dynamic</li> <li>+ Achieved sophisticated function</li> <li>! Life manages to stay far from equilibrium</li> <li>! Since equilibrium is death</li> </ul>		
Complex Chemical systems inspiredby Living species			
Man-made chemical systems	<ul> <li>Still less functional</li> <li>Passive and static</li> <li>! Reason: limited complexity and insufficient kinetic control</li> </ul>		

Complex chemistry in nature		
Biosphere. Natural selection		
Giant molecular clouds in interstellar space. –		
natural selection does not apply		
Oceanand atmospheric chemistry		
Biology		
Biochemistry of metabolic pathways		
Fates of individual actors' networks determined by		
System as a whole		
A Not just by the independentmerits of the actor itself		

Systems Chemistry			
Dynamic supersystem (chemical pendant)Integrating(in a Bottom-up approach) well- established branches of Science with an undercurrent of chemistry			
Definition	<ul> <li>Pre-biotic/supramolecular chemistry</li> <li>Theoretical chemistry</li> <li>Autocatalysis</li> </ul>	• Theoretical biology	<ul> <li>Computer Science</li> <li>Complex Systems</li> </ul>



Inspiration	<ul> <li>A System Biology; System Analysis</li> <li>A Simple Chemical Blocks</li> <li>A Synthetic Biology</li> <li>A BioBricks50 → to develop functional biological circuits from standardized parts</li> </ul>
	Origin and synthesis of life
Goal	<ul> <li>What is achievable with systems chemistry is limited by the creativity of the chemist</li> </ul>

	Development of complex synthetic systems displaying emergent properties
	To develop experimental/ theoretical frameworkswithin systems chemistry approach
Aims/objectives	<ul> <li>Holistic study of mixtures of simpler chemical components (as building blocks) in pre-biotic environment for very long period</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>To explore/understand how interactions give rise to unexpected, novel and useful properties</li> <li>Characteristic only of the systems as a whole Cannot be traced back to an individual component</li> </ul>
Aims/objectives	<ul> <li>Systems chemistry follows a bottom-up strategy by         <ul> <li>i.e. complex systems are assembled from simple components</li> <li>To explore the chemical space of appropriate initial conditions</li> <li>Energy supplies for chemical mixtures to maintain a dynamic state of chemical substances thatspontaneously grow in numbers as time goes by</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Aims/objectives	<ul> <li>To capture the complexity and emergent phenomena prevalent in the life sciences within a wholly synthetic chemical framework</li> <li>Unveil complex reactions networks</li> <li>Building minimal complex systems from their elementary components in a bottom-up approach</li> <li>To develop new functional materialswith enhanced physical properties</li> <li>To design systems with specific properties and functions from novel, minimalistic buildingblocks</li> </ul>
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Subfields

#### Equilibrium

#### Salient features

- Continuously maintaining chemical systems away (or far-off)from thermodynamic equilibrium
- Pushing replication chemistry away from equilibrium

#### Networks

- Design and analysis of replication networks far from chemical equilibrium
- Compartmentalised chemical networks
- Incorporating feedback loops
- Chemically fuelled molecular motion
- Designed oscillators creating concurrent formation–destruction system

#### Kinetics

- □ Kinetic stability
- Self-assembly
- Design of self-synthesizing materials

#### Evolution

- Controlling supramolecular interactions
- Den-ended evolution with synthetic replicators
- Coupling/ integrating individual subsystems at various levels

#### Tools. Systems Chemistry

- Out-of-equilibrium systems
- Feedback loops
- Communication between
  - Components in multicomponent systems
  - Analysis of materials on different scales

- Chemical descriptors
- Upcoming integration of heterogeneous Knowledge of chemical biology
- Polypharmacology
- Clinical information

#### Additional tools. Systems Chemistry

- Systems chemistryalone is not sufficient for everything

**Remedy:**Forces operating in addition to chemistry(playing crucial roles)

- Mechanical forces
- External electromagnetic fields
- Phase separation
- Different modes of transport
  - Diffusion

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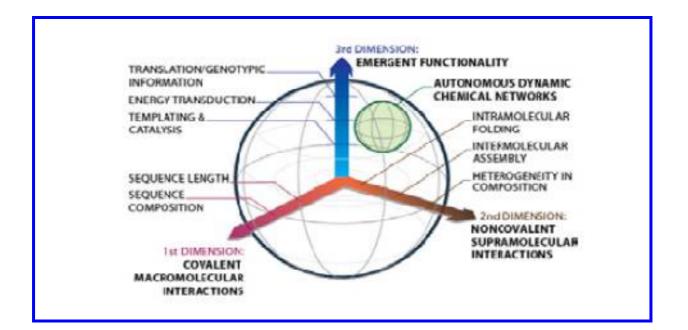
- Convection
- Osmosis— gradients

#### **Challenges for Tools**

- Minimum human intervention after initiation
- Technical novelty compared to traditional approaches in chemistry
- Analytical handling of complex mixtures without separation
- Deep understanding of origins of biological complexity
  - Sought-for next "quantum leap"
  - To generate self-evolving properties  $\rightarrow$  self-evolving behavior
- ! The "Holy Grail" is to create new (??) life from inert matter

Outcome	Examples: Macroscopic emergent behaviors like
	Global warming ; climate change
	Trending phenomena on social networks
	Stock market crashes
	Feedback loops in predator populations

	<ul> <li>Output of complex chemical systems</li> <li>Result from the interactions between components of chemical networks assembled from the many predesigned components</li> </ul>
Emergent properties	<ul> <li>Unprecedented properties unique to these complex entities</li> <li>Properties that go beyond the sum of the characteristics of the individual constituents of the system</li> <li>Cannotbe attributed to any of these individual components acting in isolation</li> </ul>



#### **Timeline. Systems Chemistry**

1986	Günter von Kiedrowski	0	First experimental discovery of Autocatalytic self-replication of a self-complementary hexadeoxyribonucleotide
2005	Günter von Kiedrowski	0	"Systems chemistry" term inventor
		0	Described kinetic and computational analysis
			of a nearly exponential organic replicators
1927–2007	Leslie Eleazer Orgel	0	Prophet
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2005 2005 2007	Workshop Conference
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2008	Maratea, Italy
2009	Balatonfüred
	Hungary
2011	
2009 Centre for Systems Chemistry started at University of Groningen, Netherlands	
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2010-2018.6	Open access Journal of Systems Chemistry launched ((von
	Kiedrowski et al.)through Chemistry Central platform now part
	of the Springer publishing house.
2019	ChemSystemsChem, Wiley online journal

	Thermodynamics Kinetics Chemical process (es) Nature Man-made systems			
If	Non-living (inanimate matter) systems			
Then	Thermodynamic considerations dominate &			
	Kinetics remain playing secondary role			
If	Living systems			
Then	Kinetic state of matter matters &			
	Do not tend towards equilibrium i.e. Maintain a far-from-equilibrium state			
	by continuous exploitation of an external energy source			

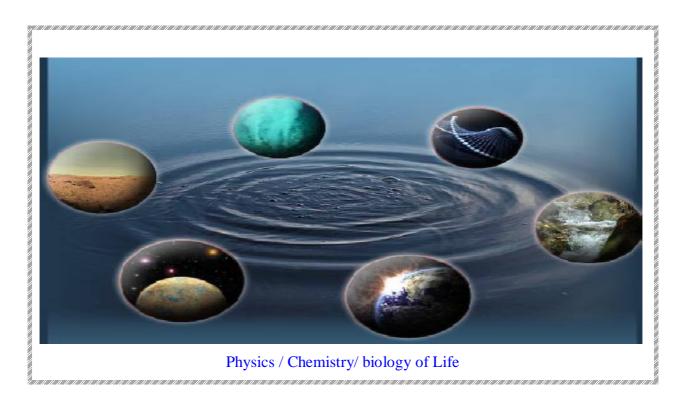
	Complex chemical systems thermodynamic models
If	A minimum energy state is reached
Then	Systems are under thermodynamic control
If	Propelled by continuous energy input
Then	Systems sustained far-from-equilibrium
If	Out-of-equilibrium networks
Then	Exhibit unique functions
	Examples:
	<ul> <li>Selective information storage and propagation</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Molecular oscillation</li> </ul>
	Fuelled unidirectional macromolecular motions
If	Trapped in local kinetic minima or
	driven by irreversible biological processes
Then	Systems are under kinetic control
If	Reaction networks involves kinetic feedback loops
Then	They outcome exhibits adaptive behaviours
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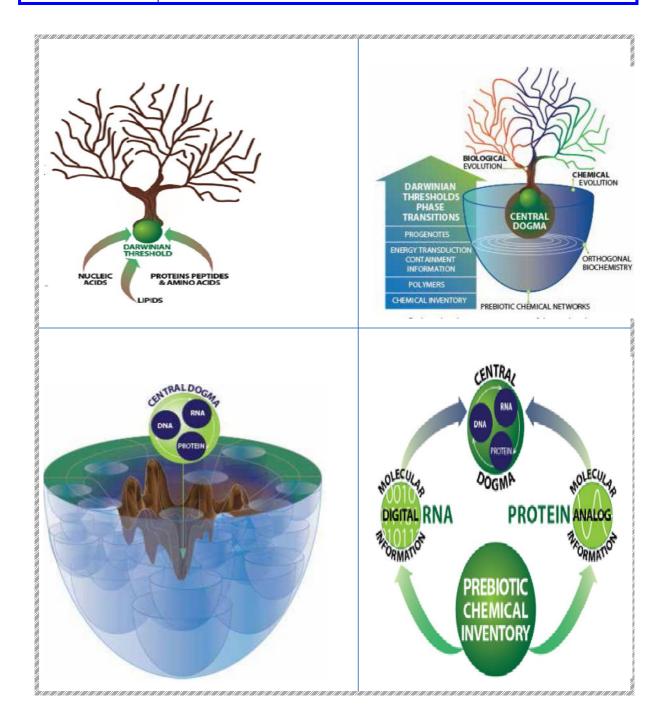
y <u>den na na anna na anna na anna anna an</u> An A	<ul> <li>Maintenance requires continuous input of fuel</li> </ul>
	Pseudo-dynamic combinatorial libraries
	Autocatalytic reactions
	Self-sorting processes
	Oscillating reactions
Kinetic control in the scope of	Self-replicating systems
systems chemistry	Dynamic molecular networks
	Self-assembly networks of autocatalytic
	and replicating compounds
	Self-replicating systems with dynamic
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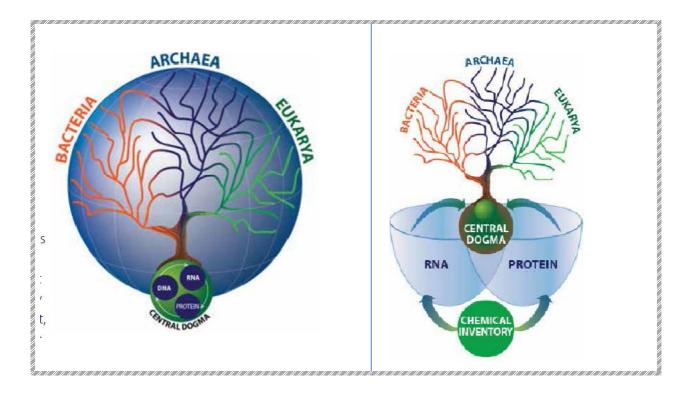
Experimental work	Comprises of	
on systems	0	Dynamic combinatorial libraries
chemistry	0	Oscillating reactions
	0	Replicating networks
	0	Self-assembling systems

	Incredibly complex functional molecular system
	Comprises of complex, heterogeneous, massively parallel molecular reactions/ interactions
Life	$^{\textcircled{T}}$ That take place in non-equilibrium, dissipative conditions $\rightarrow$
	Connections and interactions give rise to a highly dynamic and functional whole

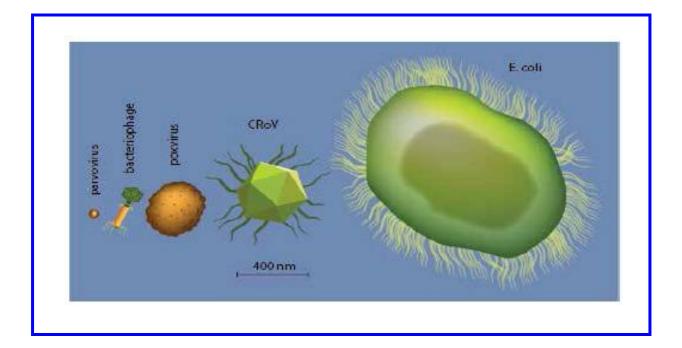


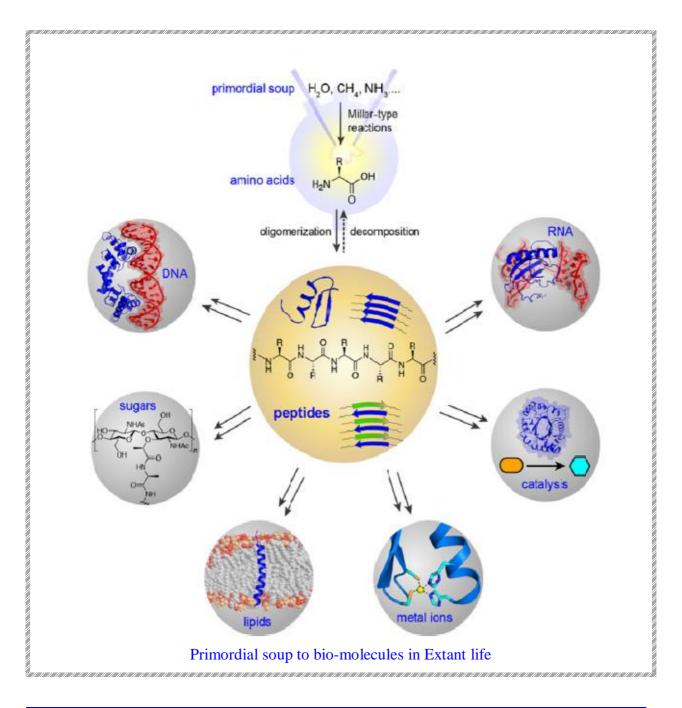
Pre-biotic era	<ul> <li>Approximately 3 billion year ago</li> <li>What was going on earth surface, ocean bed or up in the surrounding atmosphere for a period of over one billion years</li> </ul>
	- Correct mapping untrusty





Living organism	<ul> <li>Mainly composed of water and organic molecules</li> <li>Molecular mechanisms that are much more diverse, complex</li> <li>Based on quasi-equilibrium structures extrapolating extant biological complexity backwards to ca 4 billion years (in time) into simple chemical transformations</li> <li>Misleading</li> </ul>
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	combine self-organization and self-assembly processes keeping many of the resulting molecular ensembles (i.e., polymers, membranes, etc.)
Life operates	<ul> <li>Far from equilibrium</li> <li>Kinetically controlled networks have greater relevance to biology</li> <li>What most researchers agree upon is that a combination of thermodynamic and kinetic processes</li> </ul>

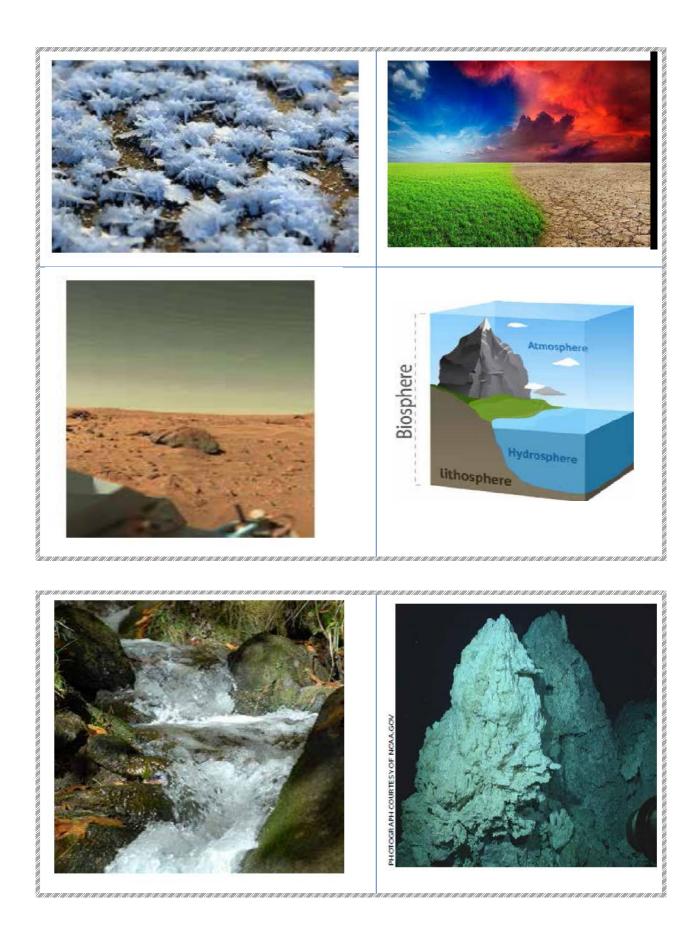
Life operates	<ul> <li>Autonomous entities with the capacity for open-ended evolution</li> <li>Stability to process</li> <li>Transmits heritable information to progeny (i.e., a genetic mechanism);</li> <li>Ability to capture energy and material resources</li> <li>Staying away from thermodynamic equilibrium (i.e., metabolic machinery);</li> <li>Ability to keep its components together</li> <li>Distinguish itself from the environment (i.e., cell membrane).</li> </ul>

Dynamic combinatorial libraries (DCLs)	<ul> <li>Molecular networks where network members exchange building blocks</li> <li>Distribution of resulting product is under thermodynamic control</li> <li>Addition of a guest or template molecule shifts</li> <li>The equilibrium towards compounds that are receptors for the guest</li> </ul>
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Dynamic combinatorial chemistry (DCC)	<ul> <li>Powerful approach</li> <li>To create complex synthetic chemical systems</li> <li>Response of mixtures to external stimuli</li> <li>For exploration of functionality</li> <li>For similarity assessment</li> <li>Identification of new receptors not trivial through rational design</li> </ul>
DCC Thermodynamically controlled DCC	<ul> <li>Complexity can be enriched with more         <ul> <li>Types of reversible reactions</li> <li>Complexed environments</li> </ul> </li> <li>The energy surfaces connecting the different local minima are shallow</li> <li>Easily traversed</li> </ul>



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Recent advances	<ul> <li>Spontaneous synchronization of oscillating reactions</li> <li>New methodology for developing chemical systems exhibiting reaction-diffusion patterns</li> </ul>
	Chiral symmetry breaking in dispersions of crystals
	Emergence of self replicators from molecular networks
	Self-assembly under kinetic control
	Ex: Stoddart's Borromean rings (beautiful symmetric structures)

Chemical replicator system	<ul> <li>Is still thermodynamically driven system</li> <li>Implies reaction will continue only until the equilibrium concentrations of the replicating molecule and its building blocks are reached</li> </ul>
Living self- replicating chemical systems	<ul> <li>✓ High kinetic stability</li> <li>✓ Keep far from equilibrium →Implies thermodynamically unstable</li> </ul>

Applications. Systems Chemistry		
Drug discovery	<ul> <li>Intensive acceleration of</li> <li>Pharmaceutical development</li> </ul>	

Materials Science	To design new functions complementary to those present in Nature	
	<ul> <li>Smart materials</li> <li>Catalysts</li> <li>Materials with life-like characteristics</li> </ul>	
Model synthetic systems	<ul> <li>With properties that could reflect aspects of prebiotic biogenesis</li> <li>Development of replicators and self-assembling membranes</li> </ul>	

Trans-disciplinary	$\rightarrow$ To synthesize interface between supramolecular chemistry and
research	biology

To explain	<ul> <li>What made transformation of a complex mixture of chemical compounds on prebiotic Earth into a life (living chemical system) possible</li> <li>Why the particular biochemical building blocks of life that we know today were selected</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>How some of these biomolecules developed to have specific chirality?</li> <li>How emergent function arises in synthetic, simplified mixtures obtained through bottom-up approaches</li> </ul>

#### **Prospects.Systems Chemistry**

Systems Chemistry as a tool

Origin of life

- To probe into chemistry  $\rightarrow$  to  $\rightarrow$  biological molecules  $\rightarrow$ to  $\rightarrow$  life
- To go back from extant biology (i.e.today's human visual reality) →to → pre biotic primordial chemical world
  - The Reduces gap between life's chemistry, complex chemistry and system's chemistry

De novo synthesis of life

Systematically study how simple biomolecules interact to give rise to novel functions

Chemical factories

- Self-synthesizing
- Self-repairing

- Binding by a single receptor will provide only very limited information,

 Remedy: More comprehensive description of the molecular structure using a systems chemistry

#### **Origins of life-theories**

- Traditional dichotomy of metabolism-first and gene-first
  - Can be quite misleading because both theories appear to be too "kinetically fragile" in that they easily revert to a thermodynamic minimum

Remedy:a systems-level approach

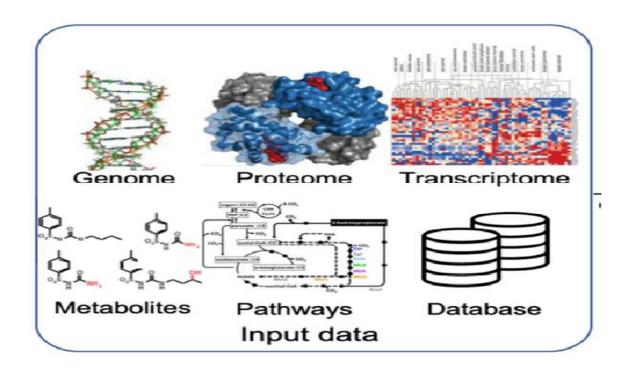
- ✓ Both metabolism and information transfer evolved roughly simultaneously
- ✓ Evolution of cellular boundaries that prevented dilution of this reactive far-from-equilibrium

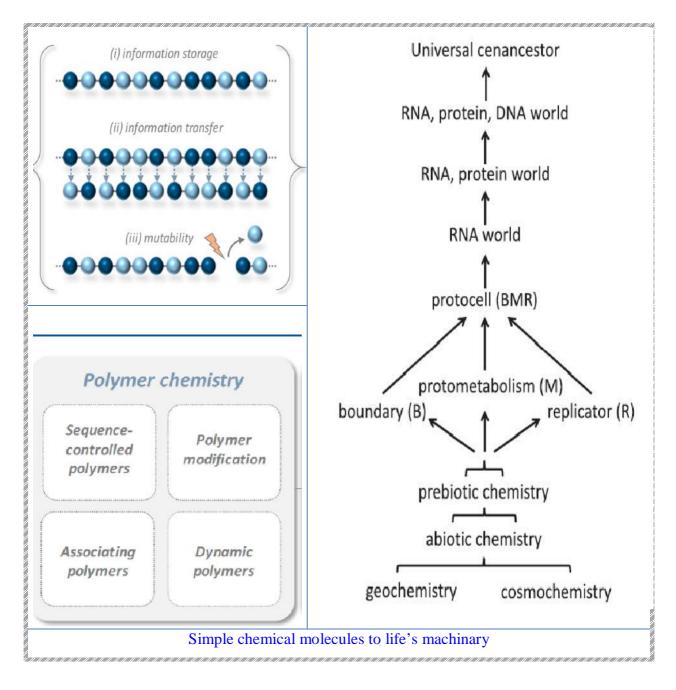
# Complex Systems Analysis + Chemistry+ Life→ Systems\_Chemistry

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# Chemical world ~~~~ Life Evolution Extant Biology...

Non-life to Life				
Formation atoms	• Hydrogen, Carbon, Nitrogen, Oxygen, Phosphorus, Sulfur			
Prebiotic soup	• Hot dilute soup of organic substances for oceanic water containing mixture of simple organic compounds.			
Abiotic	<ul> <li>Synthe</li> </ul>	• Synthesis of monomers, oligomers, and supramolecular systems		
Organic/inorganic compounds	<ul> <li>Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) was probably the first organic compound</li> <li>Hydrogen cyanide (HCN)was formed later</li> <li>Water (H<sub>2</sub>O)</li> </ul>			
Formation of complex organic molecules	Prebiotic Syn Monomers: Polymers: Coevolution Chirality	nthesis Lipids Amino Acids Nucleotides Peptides,Proteins RNA; DNA Synthesis ofNucleic Acid Homochirality	<mark>\$\$\$ World</mark> Protein Lipid (high-probability) RNA (low probability) DNA	





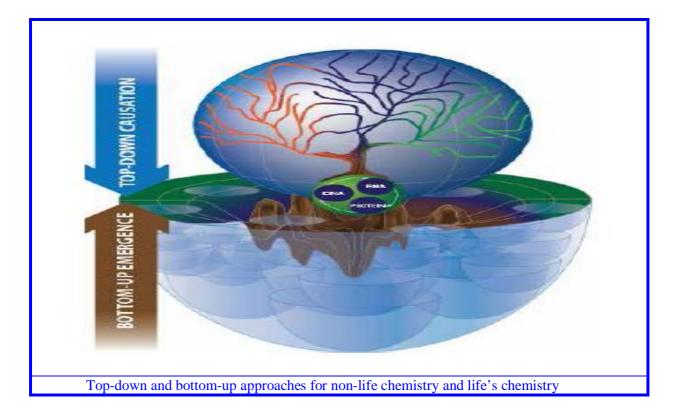


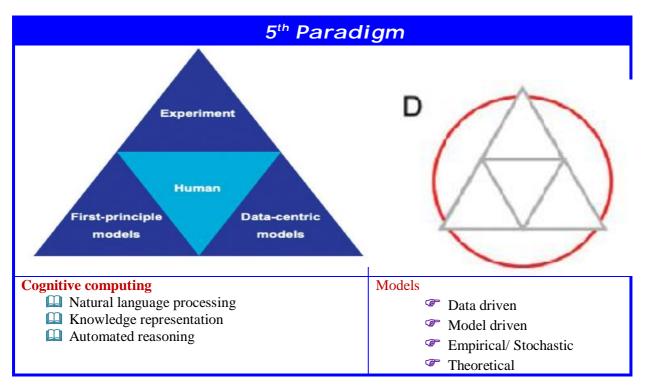
Cooperative interactionsat a system level	Functional cooperation and coevolution among these diverse classes of molecules from the earliest times
Prebiotic synthesis	<ul> <li>Amphiphiles</li> <li>Total synthesis of racemic and enantiopure phospholipids</li> <li>Evolvable molecular systems</li> <li>Synthesis of fluorescent clickable probes</li> <li>Synthesis of glycolipids</li> </ul>
Life	Emergence of the first living entities

Chemistry of life	Relies on biopolymers (proteins, nucleic acids) folding into specif conformations that dictate their properties	
	Complex folded structures encountered in biology are the result of millions of years of evolution	
Origin of life model	<b>?</b> Seek to replicate extant biochemistry (e.g., in alkaline hydrothermal vents) or	
	To create the molecules of life by using more traditional synthetic chemistry	

Foreseeable Future. Systems Chemistry		
Next generation	<ul> <li>Chemists (The systems chemists)</li> <li>Tools</li> <li>Theories, Models</li> <li>Pragmatic module</li> </ul>	
Next generation	<ul> <li>Systems chemistry researchers</li> <li>Interdisciplinary expertise</li> <li>Trans-disciplinary working knowledge</li> <li>Grasp of rare/ cutting edge technologies</li> <li>Open-minded approach</li> </ul>	

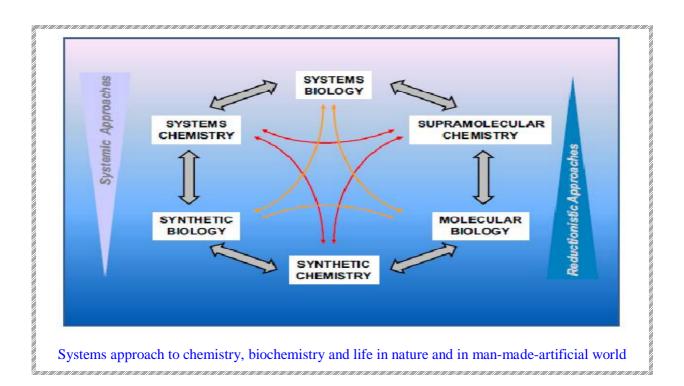
Tools	<ul> <li>Working with strict "bottom-up" designs</li> <li>i.e., avoiding recurrent viz. use of enzymes or other complex biomolecules</li> <li>"Top down" approach</li> <li>Viz. combinations of functional components that should integrate those intermediate</li> <li>Many of these hypothesis-driven attempts will unfortunately fail Repetition with refined blue-print</li> </ul>
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Data Numerical Boolean Literal			DataMassaging Data/varial Noise filter Clustering/or recognition	nental design ble transformation ing classification/Pattern
	Paradigm	Tool	S	
	$1^{st}$	Human observation	of natural world	
	$2^{nd}$	Directed experiment	tation	
	$3^{rd}$	In silico testing		
	$4^{\text{th}}$	Data-centric models		
	$5^{\text{th}}$	Cognitive computin	g	

Open mind	Start Cycle Test→ Failure → redesign → Failure Near success Refine Go back to cycle
Future goals	<ul> <li>Preliminary road-map</li> <li>Extant life</li> <li>Artificial life supporting modules</li> </ul>
Target	<ul> <li>Extending today's creativity from isolated molecules to molecular networks →</li> <li>New molecular systems with unique and exciting properties Approaches to characterizing individual building blocks utilized in living systems</li> </ul>
Challenge	<ul> <li>To find the right initial conditions for system, of course, supplying it with energyvery often such that</li> <li>system prevails "on its own"</li> <li>for a maximally long period of time</li> </ul>



Outcome	<ul> <li>New design rules</li> <li>Design emergent behaviour</li> <li>Synthetic systems         <ul> <li>Design of artificial cells</li> <li>Capture many of the individual characteristics of life</li> <li>Compartmentalization</li> <li>Replication</li> <li>Metabolism</li> </ul> </li> <li>Integration under far-from-equilibrium conditions</li> <li>Pareto-optimality – Thermodynamic &amp; Kinetic stability</li> <li>De novo synthesis of life</li> <li>Process of manufacturing of chemicals         <ul> <li>Nano- or microscale self-synthesizing tools of future</li> <li>Energy efficient and clean chemical</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Nano- or microscale self-synthesizing tools of future</li> <li>Energy efficient and clean chemical factories</li> <li>Capable of regulating and repairing themselves</li> </ul>
Today	- StillSystems Chemistry is in its infancy

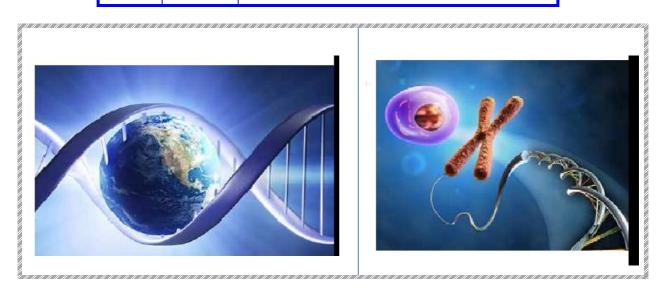
Metaphors for Systems Chemistry				
Bioorganic	Mother		Artificial-intelligence Philosophy, cosmology	Second- and third-degree cousins,
Prebiotic	Father		Systems chemistry	Got married to a foreigner
Homochirality	Sister		Supramolecular	Her maiden name

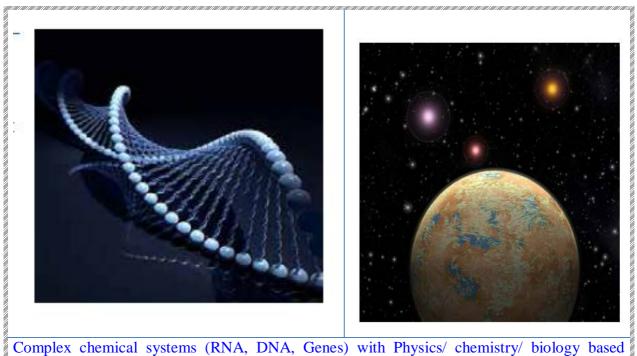
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Composomedynamic- kinetic	Twins	Spatiotemporal	Extravagant auntie
Metabolism	Uncle	Nano-tech Single-molecule,	Far-out twins
Compartment	Auntie	Ms. Bz (Belousov–zhabotinsky)	Wet nurse
Evolutionary-genetics	Grandma	If it's a girl	Systems chemistry and
Synthesis	Only grandpa	her name will be kinetic asymmetry	supramolecular are in expectancy
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# Systems

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System	Examples:	[[Society, Stock Markets] [WWW; web-based social networks] [Echosystems [Climate] ] [Economics, Urban Planning, Ecology] [Biology, Physics, Chemistry] [Metabolic Path Ways] [Engineering, Computer Science, Mathematics] ]





Complex chemical systems (RNA, DNA, Genes) with Physics/ chemistry/ biology based interactions in start-of-life and its sustainance, propagation, evolution and termination

## Complex + Systems (Energy {material {Life; Non-life}; Non-material}) + Analysis→ Systems\_Analysis

	Chemistry	
Low energy	Green	High energy

	Conventional (or reductionist or as-it-is-in 2020) chemistry
Chemistry	<ul> <li>Focused on the challenges of forming covalent/mechanical bonds</li> <li>Determining the structure of chemical molecules/species</li> <li>Emphasis on synthesis of pure (natural, exotic) compounds</li> <li>Requires highly knowledgeable human intervention</li> </ul>

Chemists' Practice	<ul> <li>Most chemists have been conditioned to study substances in isolation</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Reason:For a long time, complex mixtures were intractable</li> </ul>

	Reagents purified Experimental control • Temperature, pressure, and humidity
+	Experimental durations • Shorter than grant cycles
+	External influences o Avoided minimized
+	Replication If feasible and reproducible
+	<ul> <li>Precise knowledge</li> <li>Properties of individual molecules, bulk</li> <li>one-to-one interactions</li> </ul>
+	Synthetic approaches mixtures of compounds are treated as an unwanted feature that must be eliminated

Extant chemists	<ul> <li>Ability to design and create new molecules         <ul> <li>Purely chemical approach</li> <li>not likely to yield life-like modules</li> <li>Remedy:a holistic approach is key to help unravel such systems and to experimentallyaddress questions related to the chemicalorigins of life</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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Chemical Evolution	Chemical element, chemical energy
	Chemical engineering
	Chemical equation, chemical equilibrium,
	🚇 Chemical fingerprint, Chemical Mace, chemical machining, chemical
	name, chemical peel
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	Biology
	<ul> <li>✓ Network of atomic interactions →</li> <li>o Conformation or folding of bio-macromolecules (ex: proteins)</li> </ul>
Biology is immensely complex at almost every level	<ul> <li>Organisation of</li> <li>Biomolecules into cells</li> <li>Cells to higher organisms</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Network of interactions</li> <li>Between different organisms and surroundings (ecology)</li> </ul>

Biological systems	Plethora of
	Complex interconnected signaling systems
	Metabolic networks
	With
	Multiple checkpoint controls
	E Feedback loops
	$\rightarrow$
	Allowing biological systems to adapt and respond rapidly to external stimuli

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Simplest microorganisms known onEarth	Breathtakingly complex	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Complex life systems Human being	Zillion fold complex	

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	<ul> <li>Deals with relation between</li> <li>Function of a biological system (a cell/specific cellular process) &amp;</li> <li>Interactions between various molecular components</li> </ul>
Systems biology	Focuses on deconvoluting complexityfrom already existing superstructures encountered In a human cell, some 25,000 genes
	<ul> <li>Cycles linking spontaneous and non-spontaneous chemical and physicalprocesses</li> <li>Build rough copies of themselves</li> </ul>

Aim	Topredict, repair, control design and realize a biologicalsystem	
What is possible today?	Understanding improving at systems level	
Tools	• DNA sequencers	
	• Microarray analysis	
	• Mass spectrometry	
Trans-disciplines	• Genomics	
	• Proteomics	
	• Metabolomics	
Complex Systems Analysis + <b>Biology</b> + Life->		
Systems_Biology		

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Systems Chemistry — [Complex Chemistry]	/ Systems — Non-Bonding — Physics — Biology — Photons — Phonons —

Electromagnetic — Electrical — Quantum — gravity

	Review
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