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# ELECTRONIC PROPERTIES OF DISORDERED FUNCTIONALIZED CARBON NANOTUBES

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- ❖ RESULTS
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# INTRODUÇÃO

→ HOW TO OBTAIN CARBON NAOTUBES (CNTs)?

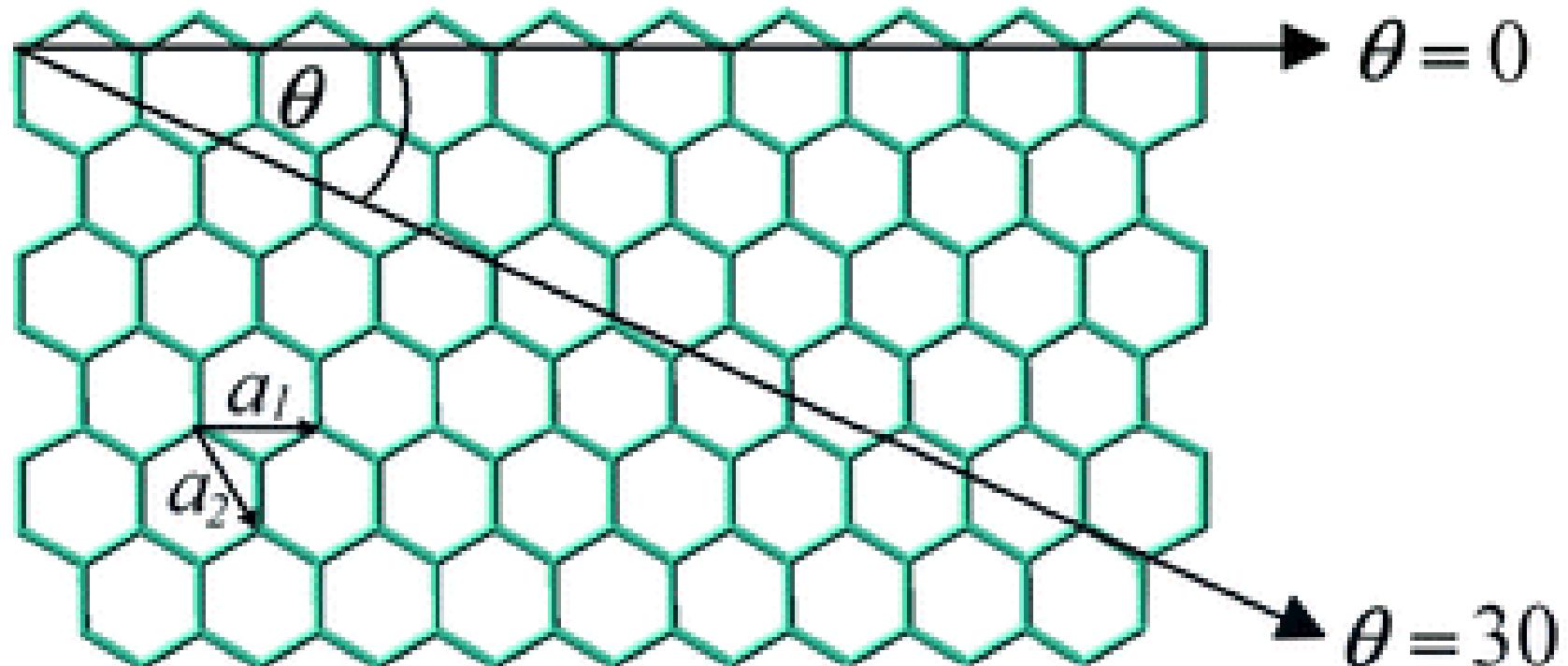
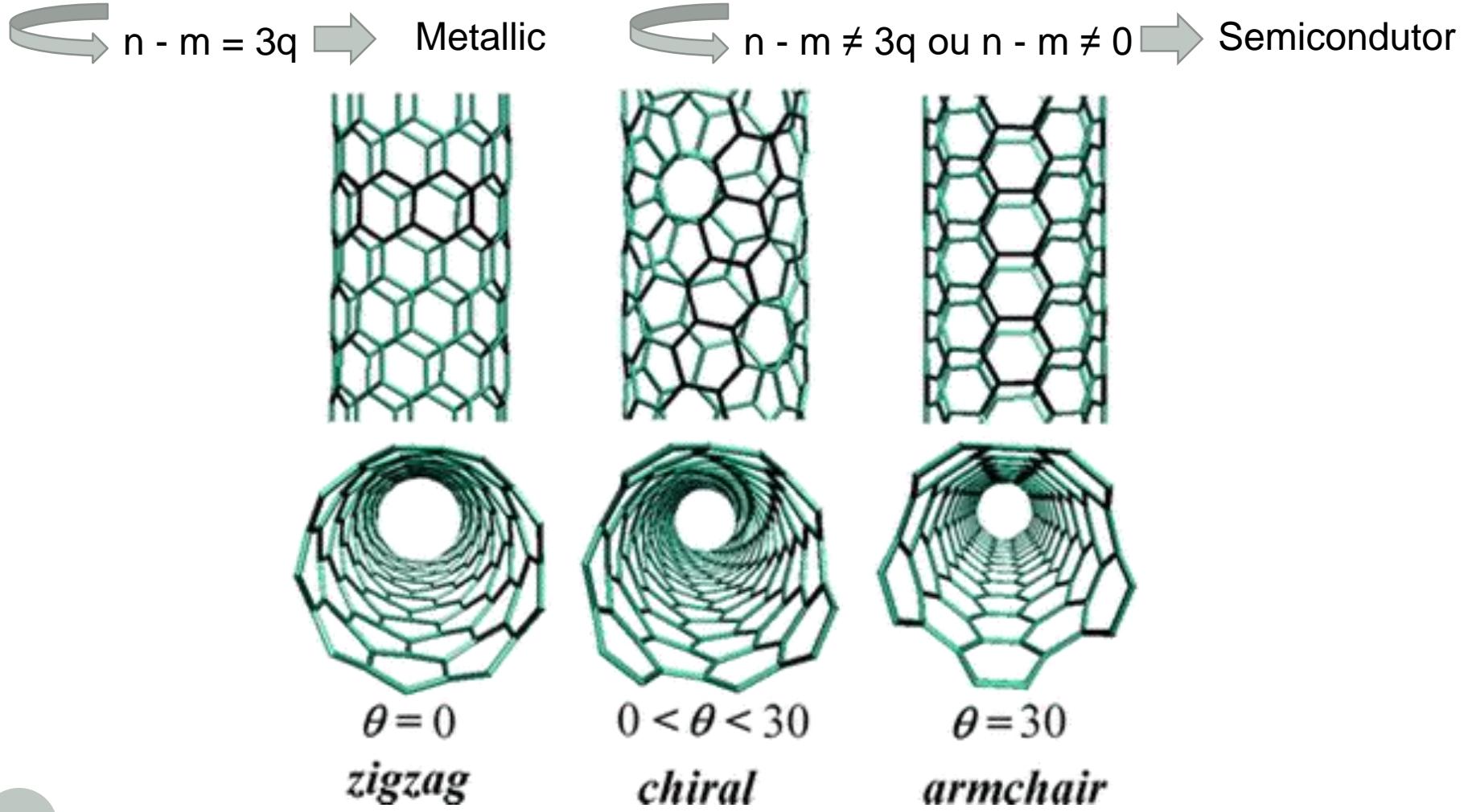


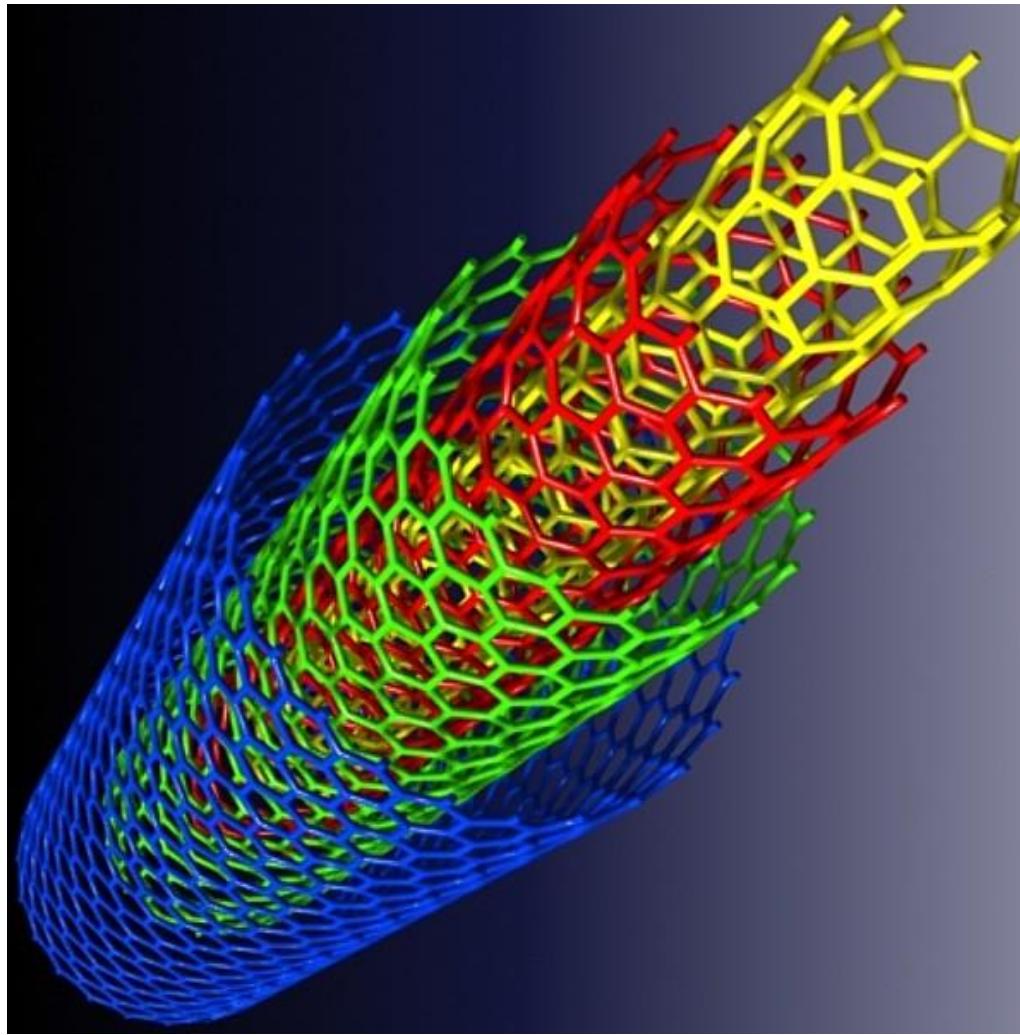
Figure 1 – Diagram of a perfect graphene sheet with the rolling vectors.

# SINGLE WALL CARBON NANOTUBES (SWNTs)

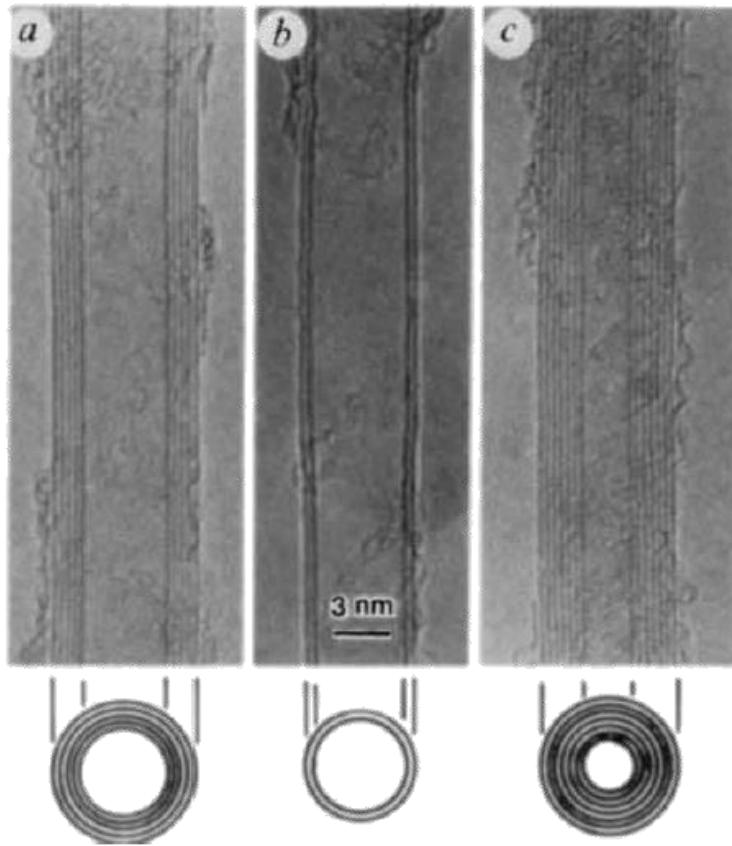
- ❖ The rolling vectors define the conductive properties of the carbon nanotubes:



## MULTIPLE WALLS CARBON NAOTUBE (MWNTs)



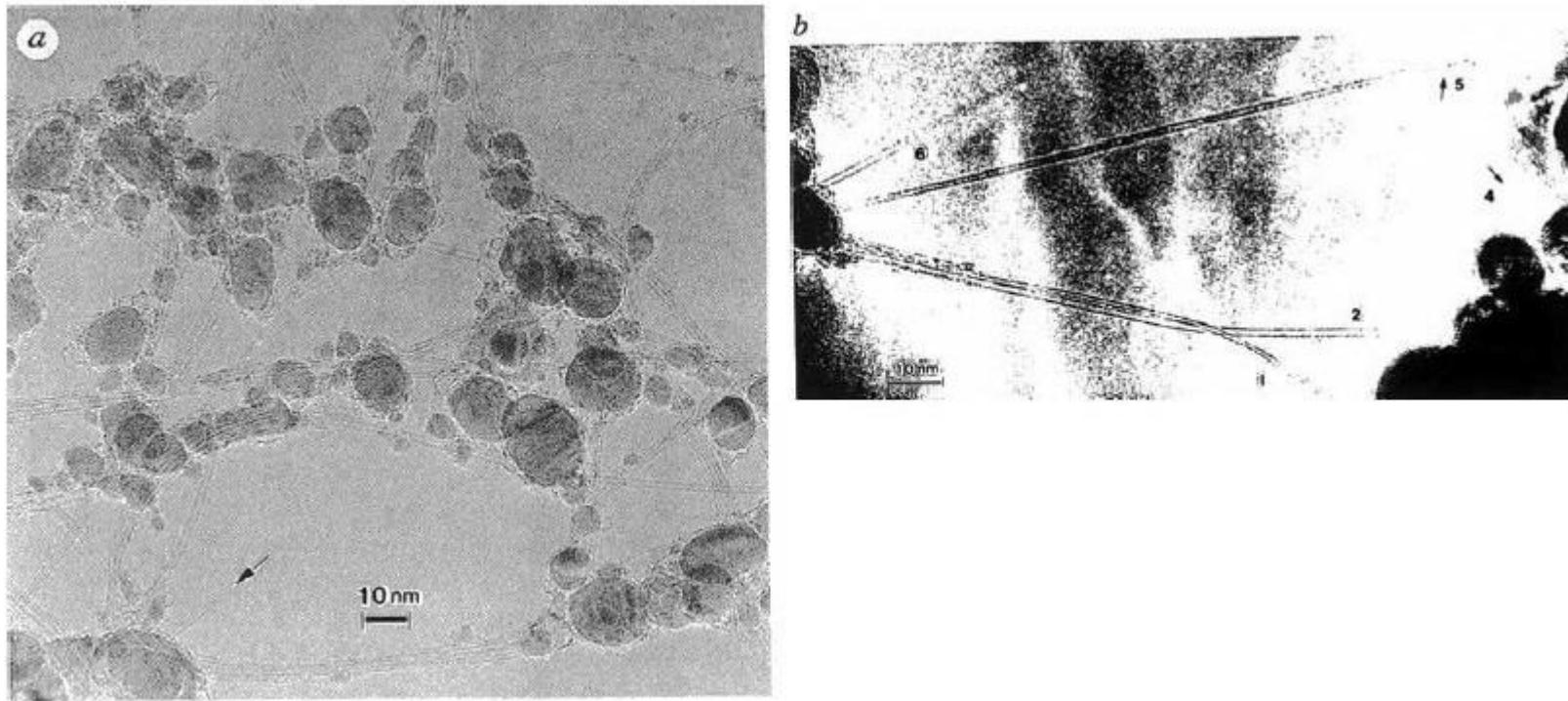
**Figure 3 –** Multiple wall carbon nanotube.



- ❖ Observed for the first time in 1991 by Iijima
- ❖ Concentric cylinders with:
  - Separation  $\sim 0.34$  nm.
  - External diameter  $\sim 4 - 30$  nm.
  - Internal diameter  $\sim 2.2$  nm.
  - Length  $\sim 1$   $\mu\text{m}$ .

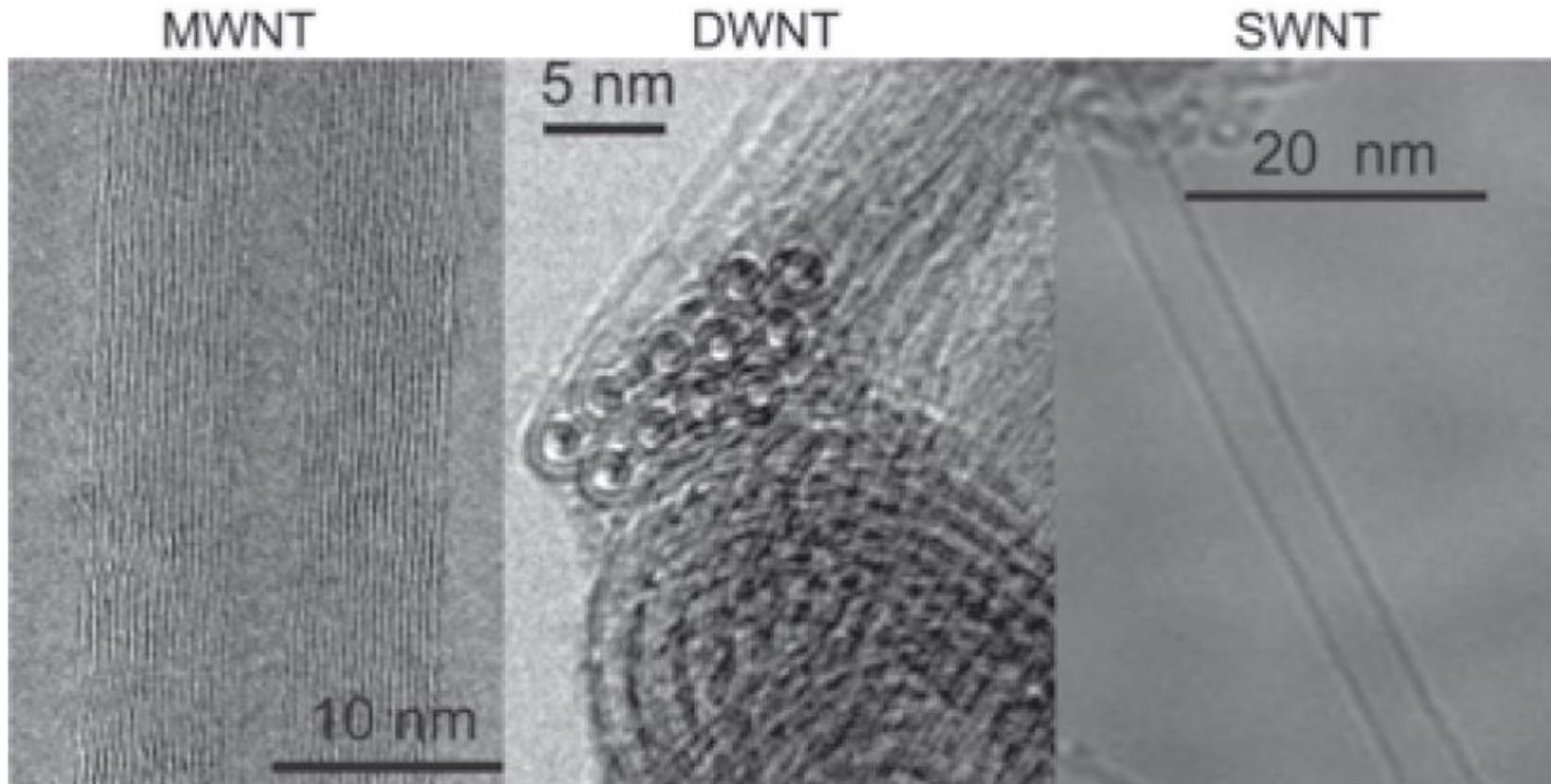
**Figure 4** – Observed multiple wall carbon nanotubes.

❖ Single wall carbon nanotubes synthetized in 1993 by Iijima and Bethune



**Figure 5** – (a) Electronic micrograph of SWCNTs grown from metallic catalysts. (b) Electronic micrograph of individual SWCNTs.

# ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION IMAGES



**Figure 6** – Electronic transmission images of MWNT, DWNT (double wall nanotubes) and SWNT.

# CARBON NANOTUBES

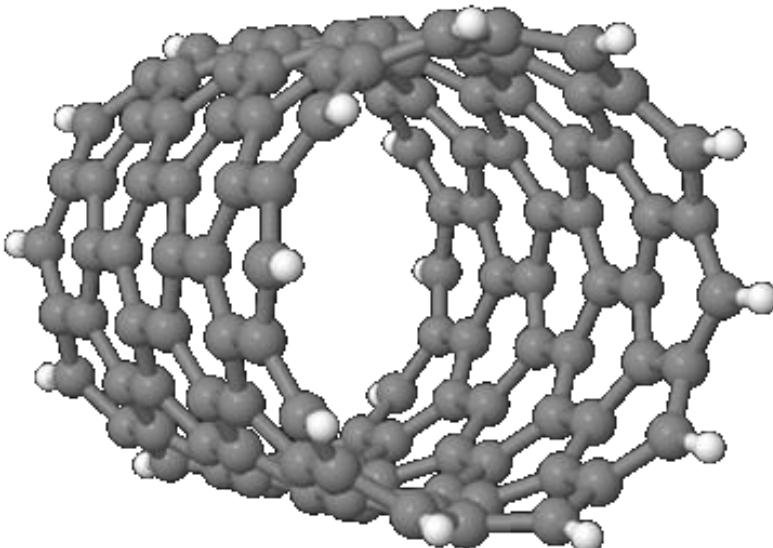
## PROPERTIES

ELECTRONIC

MECHANICAL

OPTICAL

## CARBON NANOTUBES



- ❖ Used as sensors.
- ❖ Chemical sensor → Respond to local changes in the chemical environment
- ❖ Useful respond → Depends on de magnitude of the environment modifications.
- ❖ Should be:
  - Sensible
  - Selective
- ❖ The studied nanotube:
  - SWCNT
  - Chirality (10,0)

**Figure 7 – Single wall carbon nanotube with chirality (10,0).**

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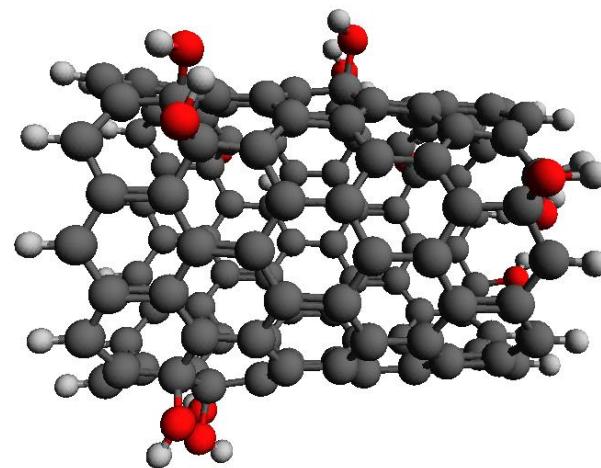
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# OBJETIVES

This present study aimed to carry out a systematic study of the influence of hydroxyl functional groups ( $\text{OH}$ ) and carboxyl ( $\text{COOH}$ ) with different concentrations (5, 10, 15, 20 and 25)% of the atoms in the carbon nanotube surface.

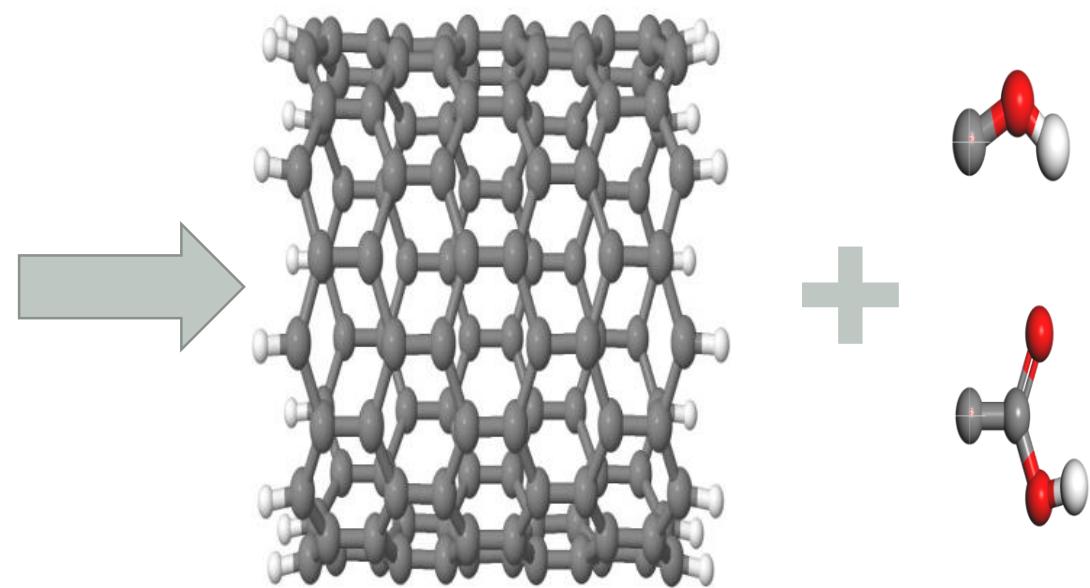


**Figure 8** – Carbon nanotube functionalized with 10% of  $- \text{OH}$ , system CNT-OH.

# MATERIALS and METHODS

→ MATERIALS

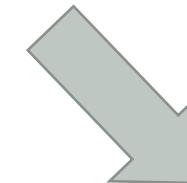
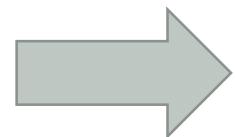
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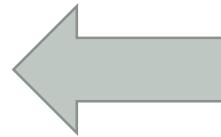
# MATERIALS and METHODS

## METHODS

GENERATED  
10K  
STRUCTURES



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# SEMI-EMPIRICAL



INTERMEDIATE POSITION BETWEEN MOLECULAR  
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TO UNDERSTAND THE STRUCTURE,  
PROPERTIES AND ACTIVITY OF MOLECULES.

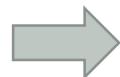


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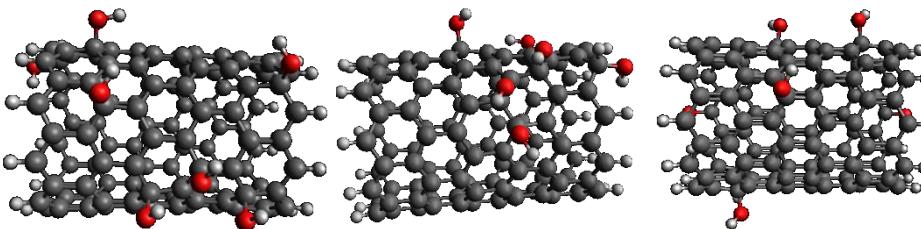


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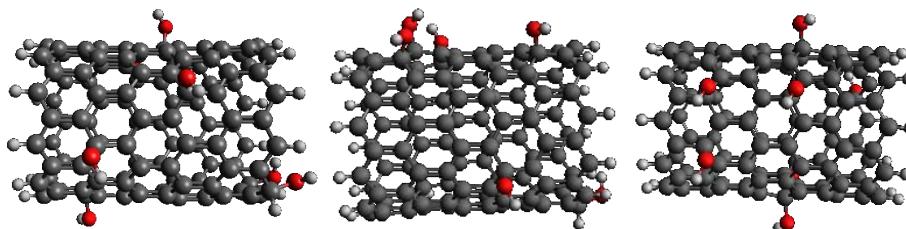
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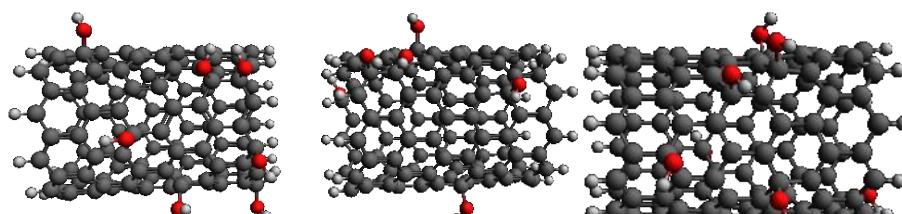
ENTROPY



$$S = k_B \ln \Omega$$



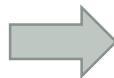
$$S_{str} = - \sum_A \frac{N_A}{N} \left\langle \ln \left( 1 - F_{A_i A_j} \right) \right\rangle$$



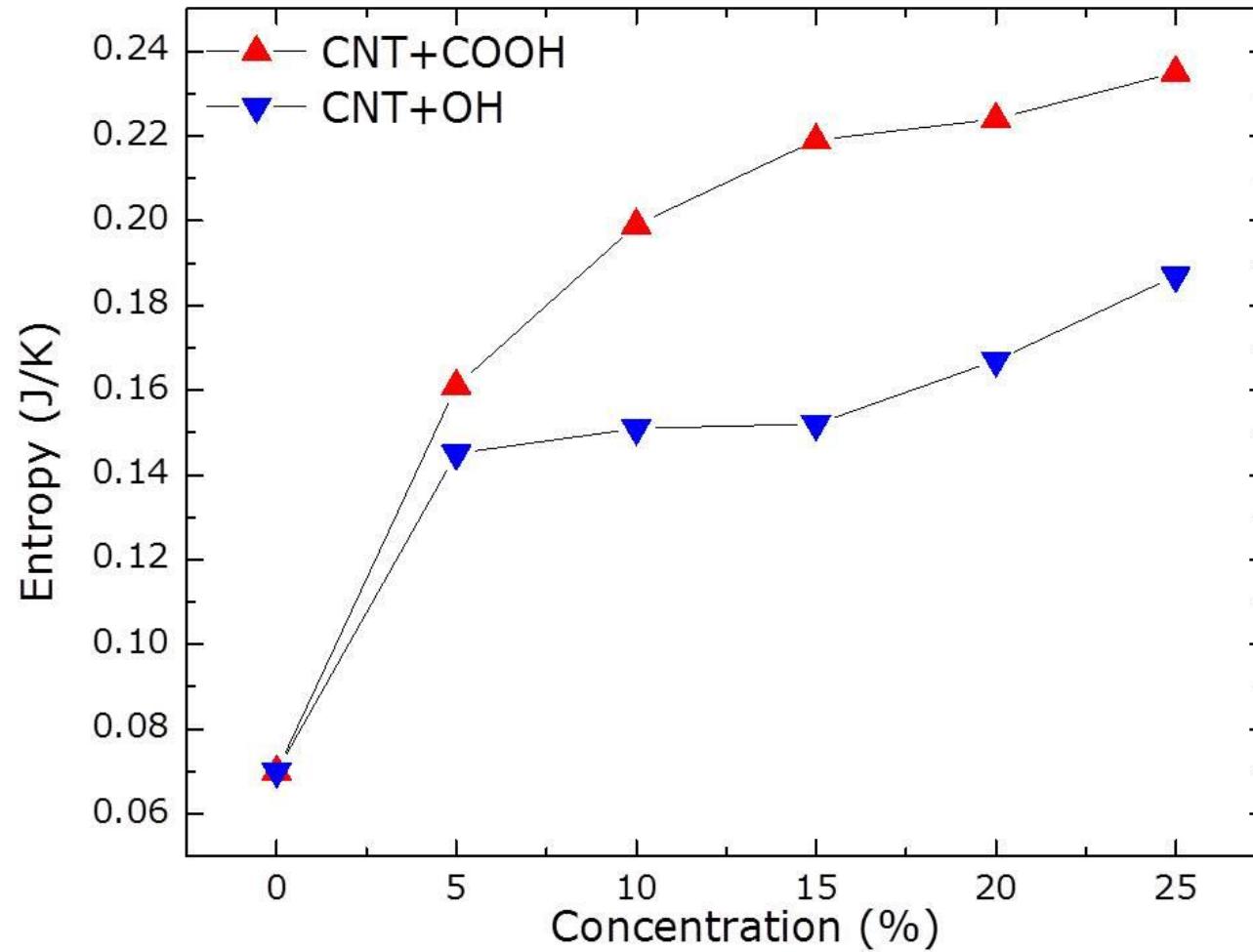
$$F_{A_i B} = \sum_{B_j} \left\{ \frac{\delta(R - R_{ij})}{4\pi R_{ij}^2 (N_B/V)\Delta} \right\}^{-1}$$

Figure 9 – System CNT-(OH)<sub>x</sub> functionalized with 5%.

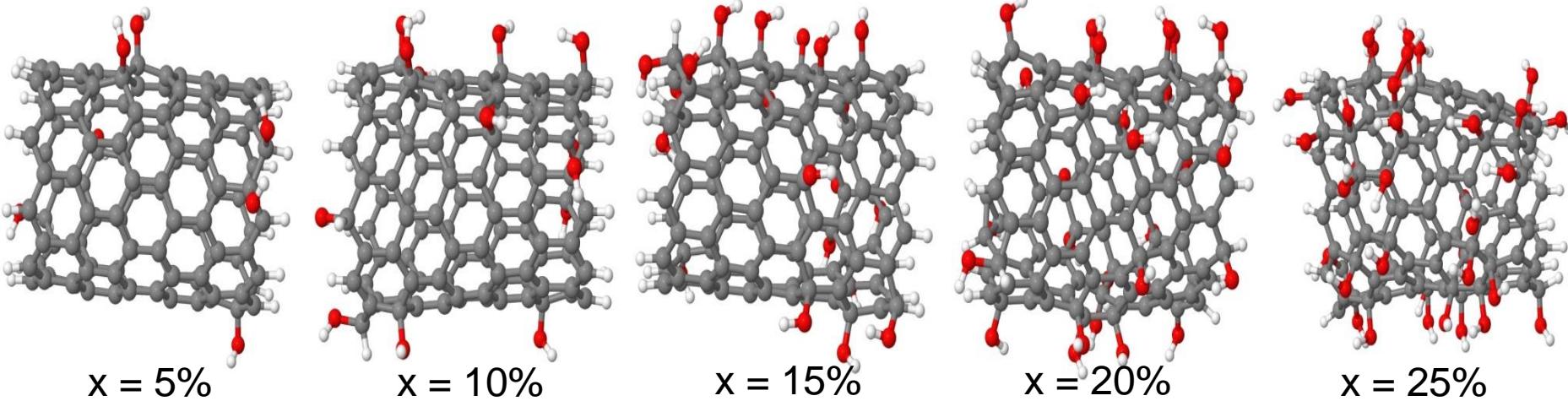
# RESULTS



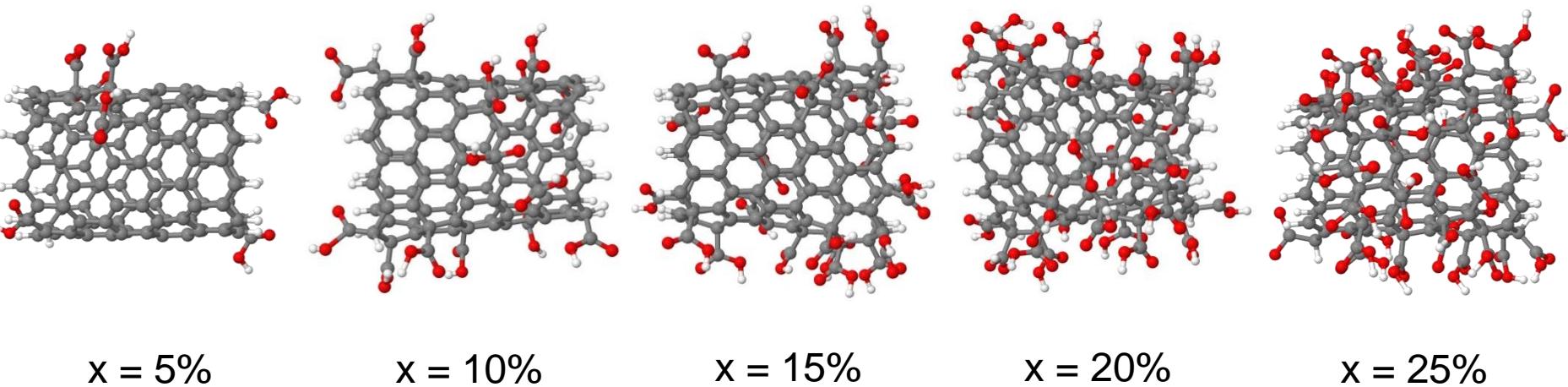
## ENTROPY



### CNT+OH



### CNT+COOH

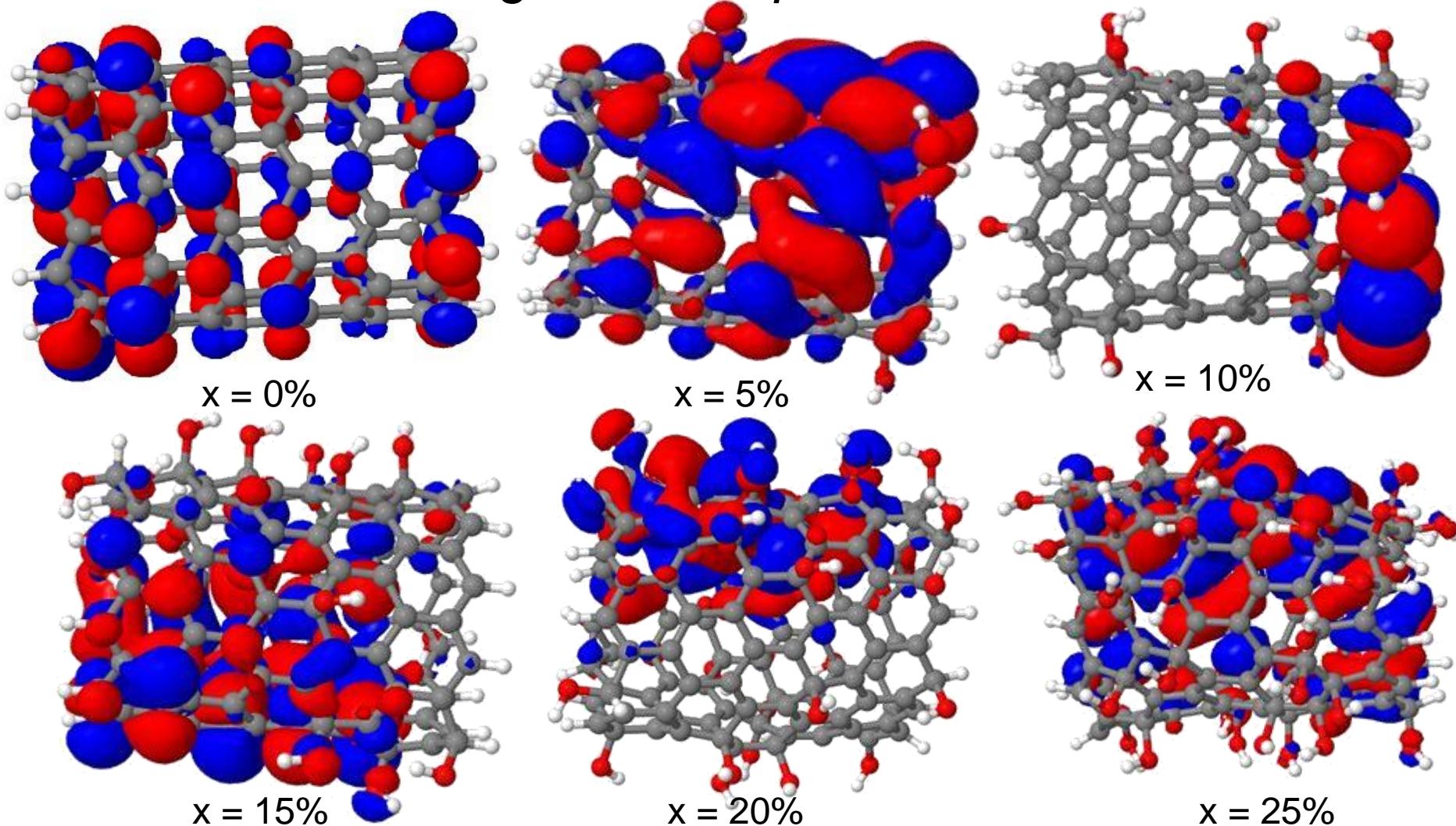


**Figure 10 – System CNT-  $(\text{OH})_x$  and CNT-(COOH) $_x$  .**

# MOLECULAR ORBITALS



**HOMO - Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital**

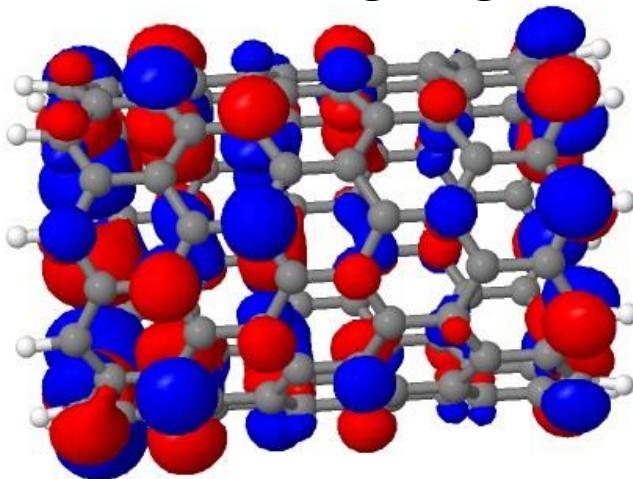


**Figure 11 – HOMO of system CNT-(OH)<sub>x</sub> (isovalue = 0.01).**

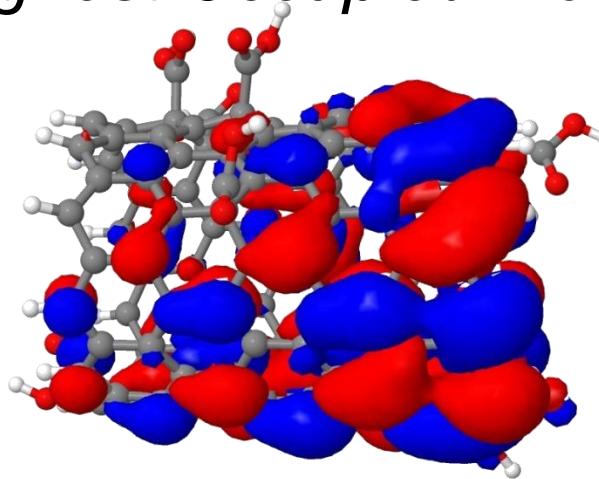
# MOLECULAR ORBITALS



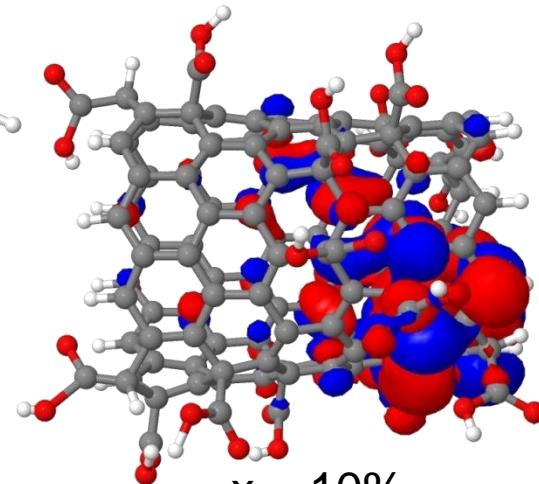
**HOMO - Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital**



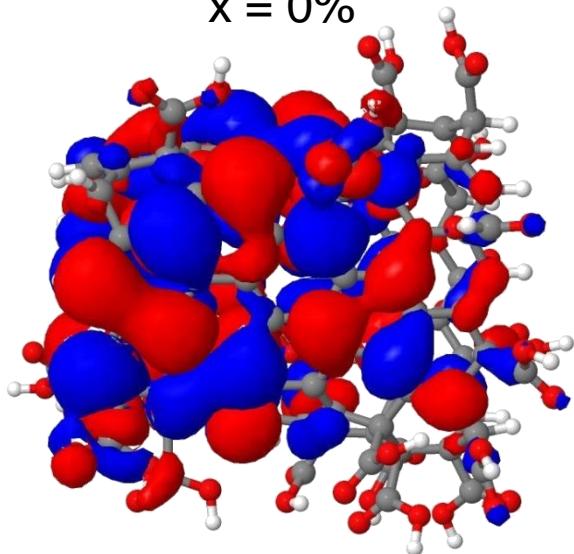
$x = 0\%$



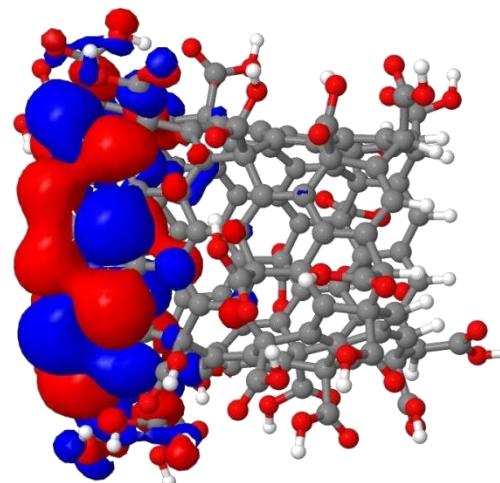
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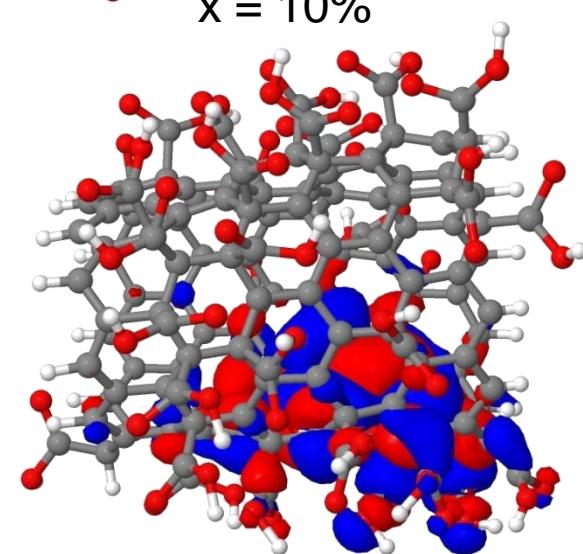
$x = 10\%$



$x = 15\%$



$x = 20\%$



$x = 25\%$

# MOLECULAR ORBITALS



**LUMO - Lowest Unoccupied Molecular Orbital**

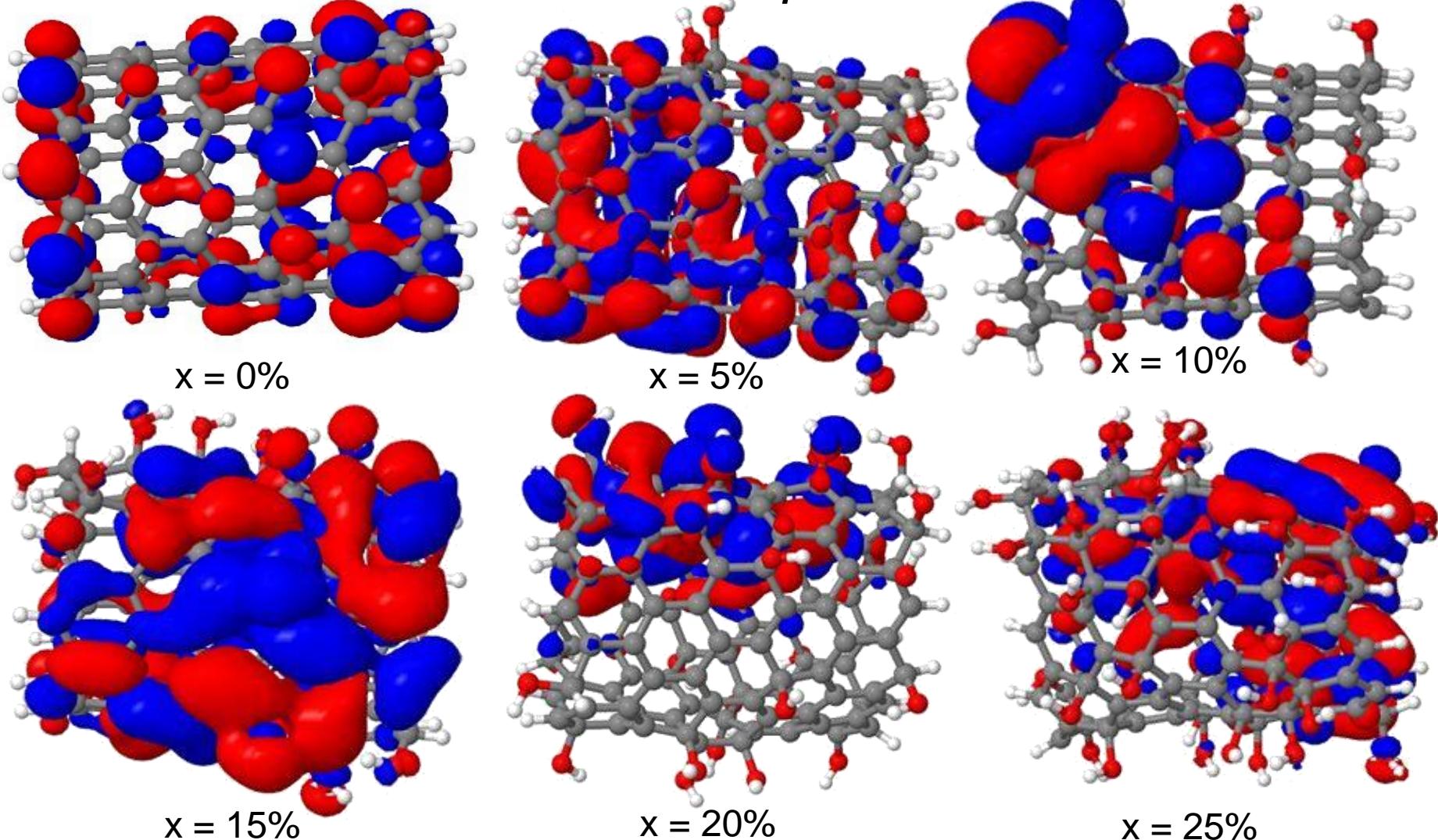
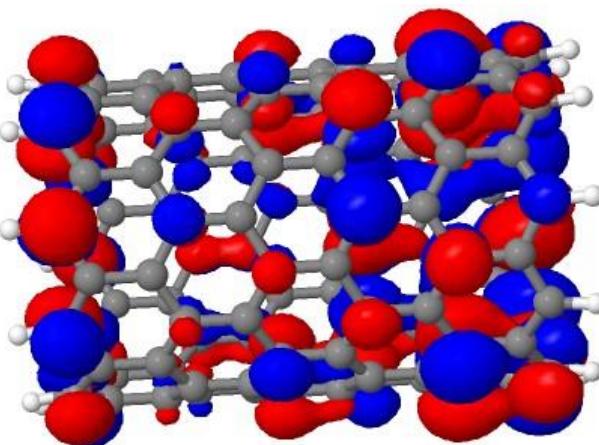


Figure 13 – LUMO of system CNT-(OH)<sub>x</sub> (isovalue = 0.01).

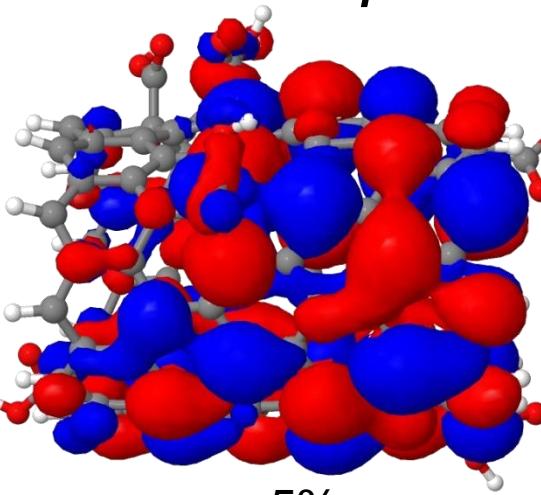
# MOLECULAR ORBITALS



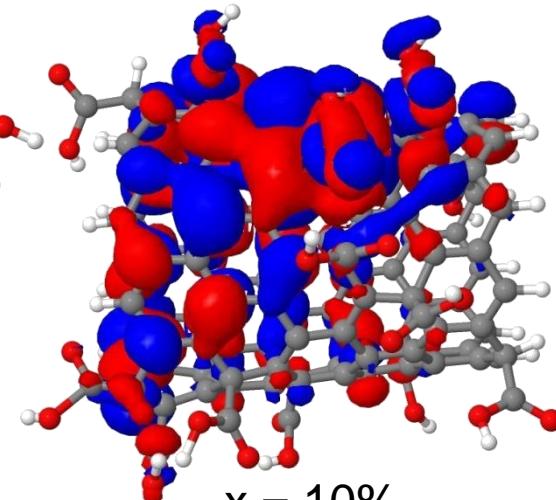
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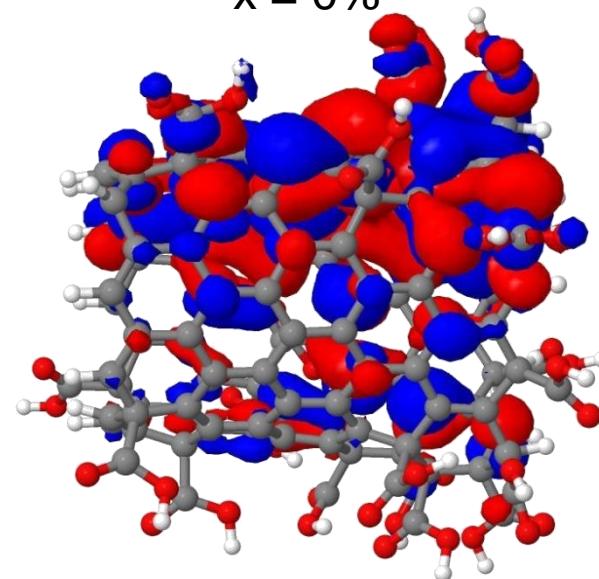
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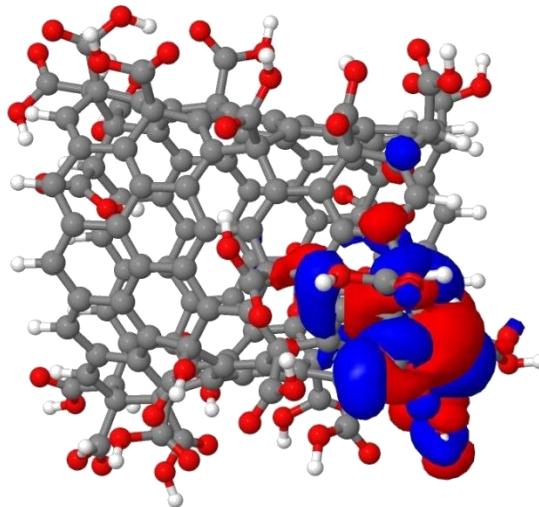
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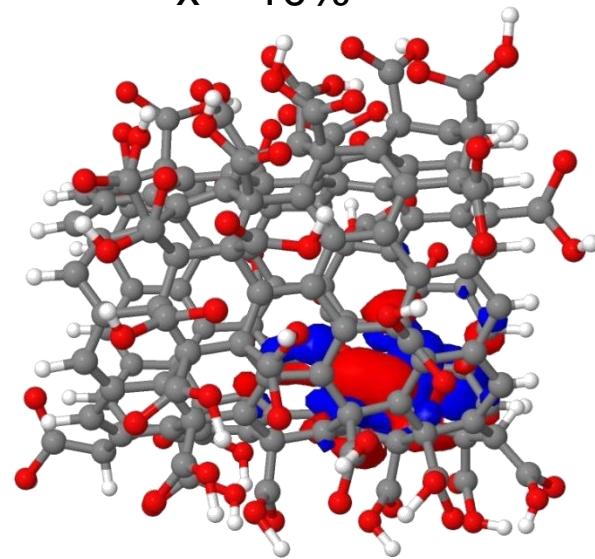
$x = 10\%$



$x = 15\%$



$x = 20\%$



$x = 25\%$

**Figure 14 – LUMO of system CNT-(COOH) $_x$  (isovalue = 0.01).**

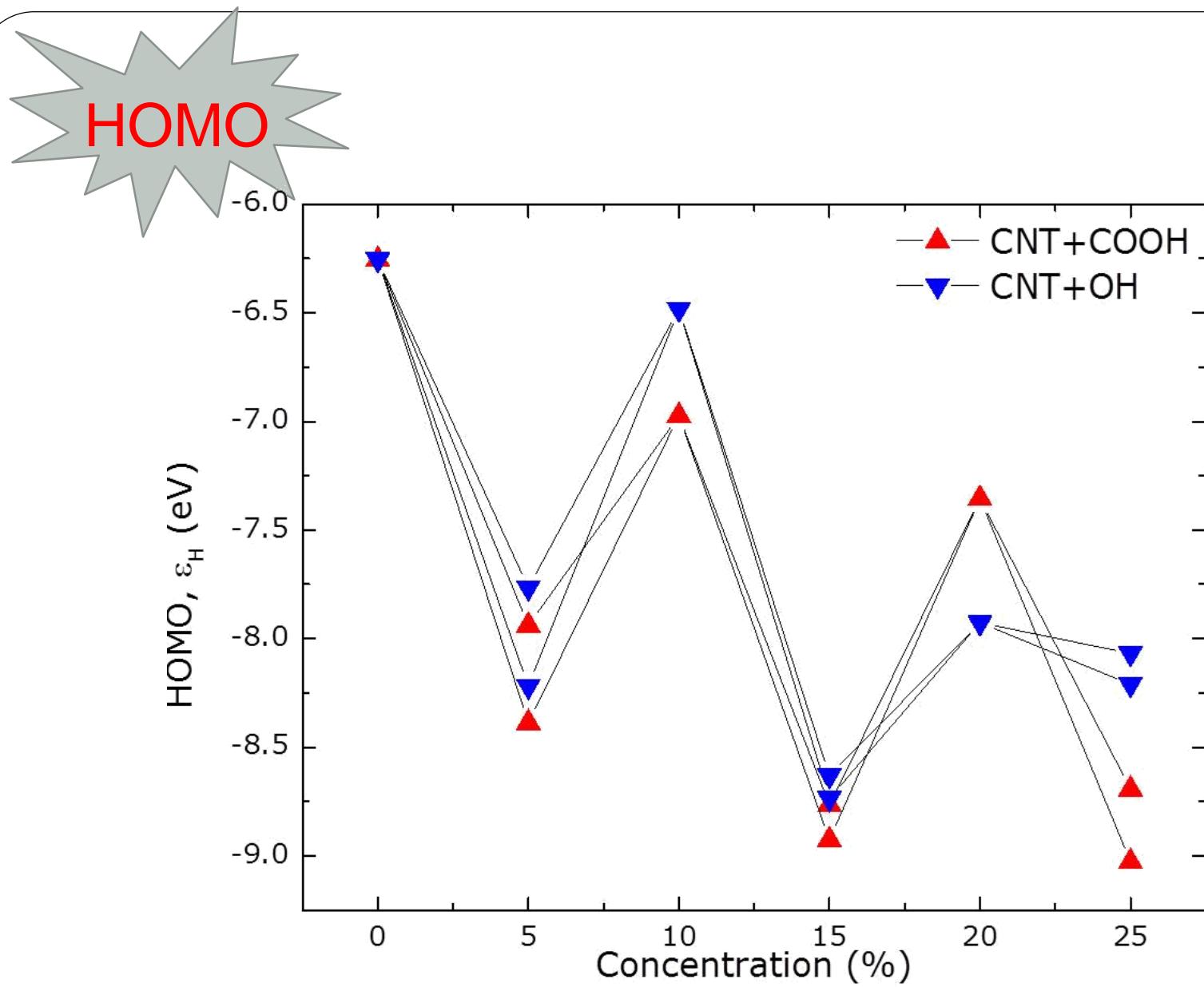


Figure 15 – HOMO energy vs concentration.

LUMO

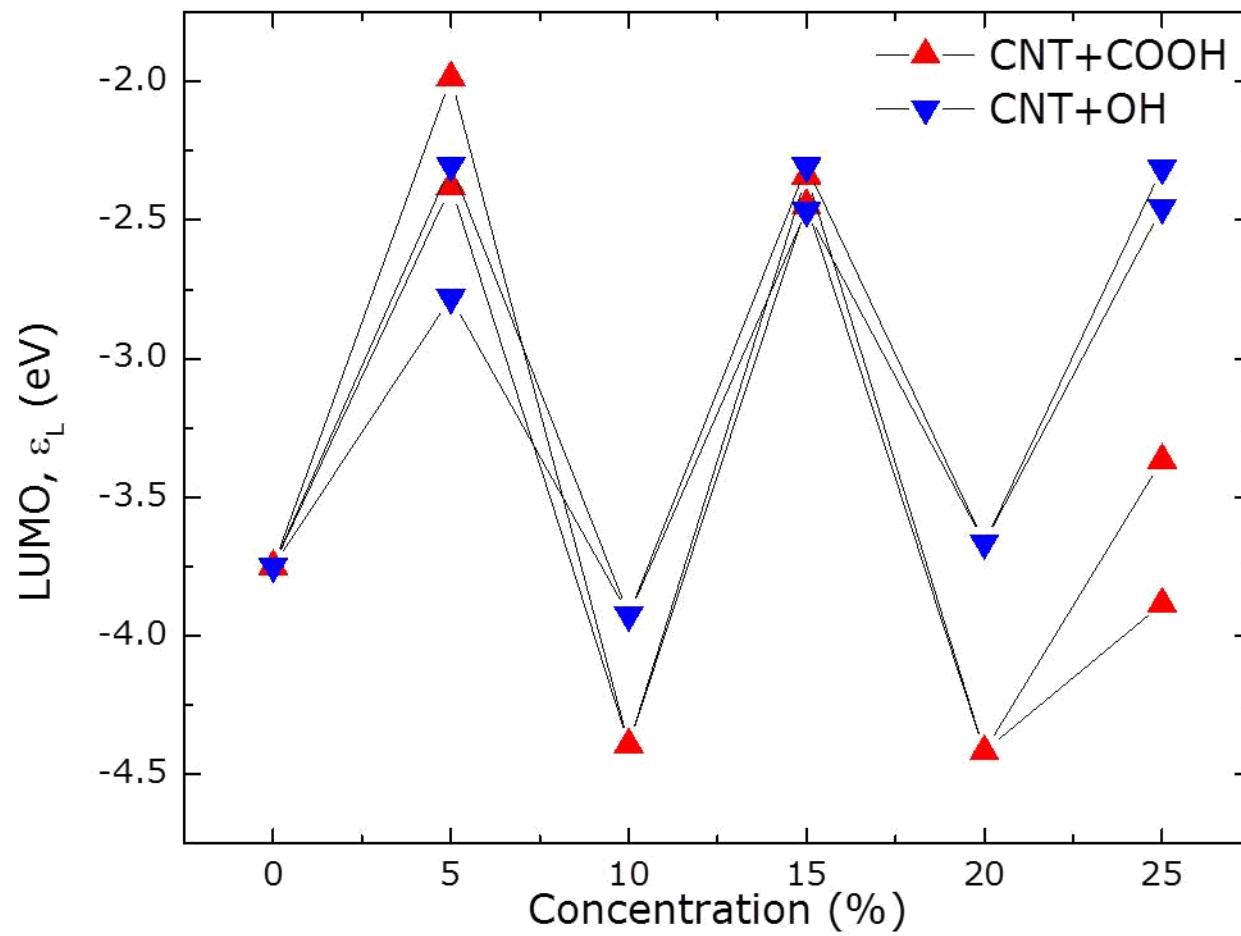


Figure 16 – LUMO energy vs concentration.

GAP

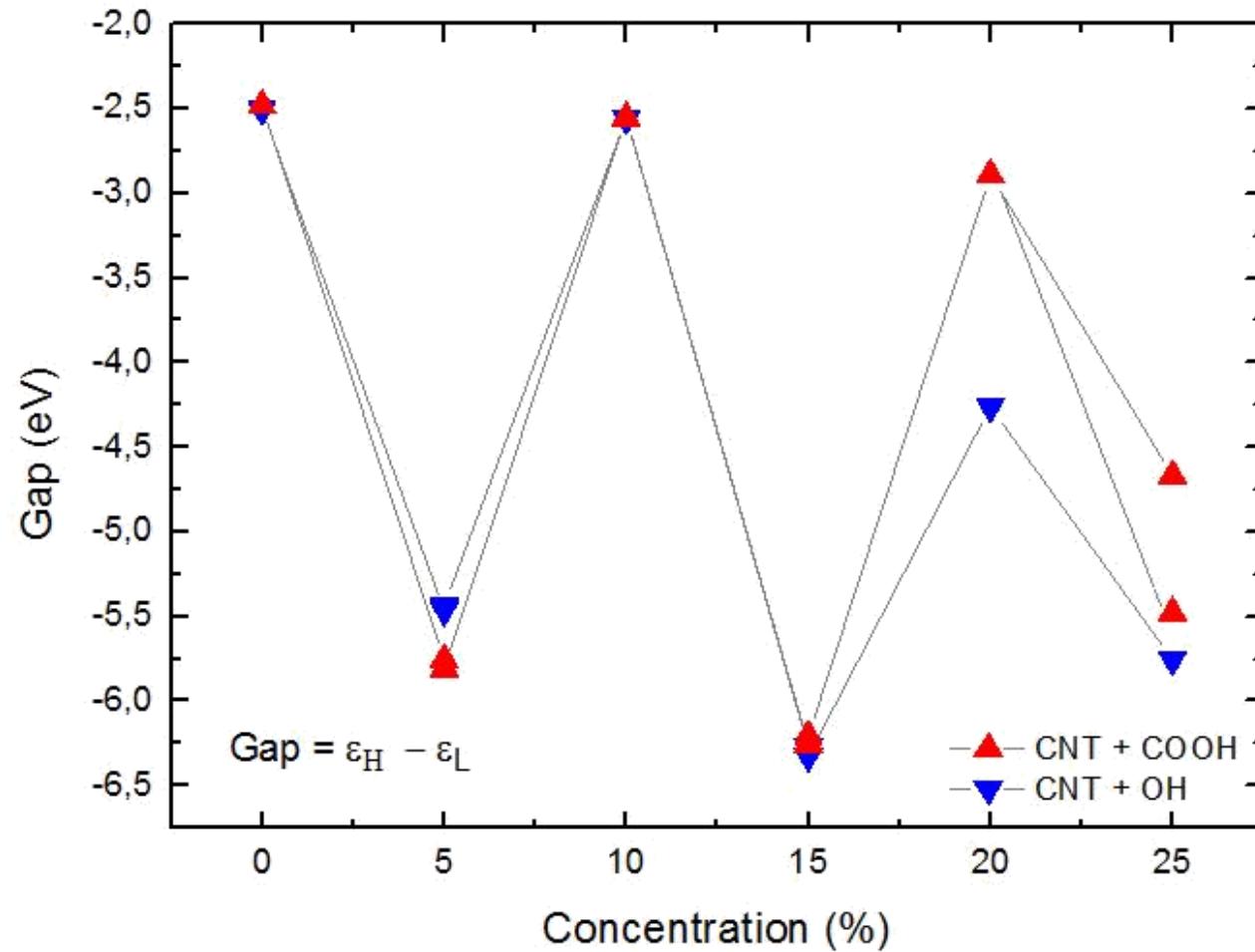
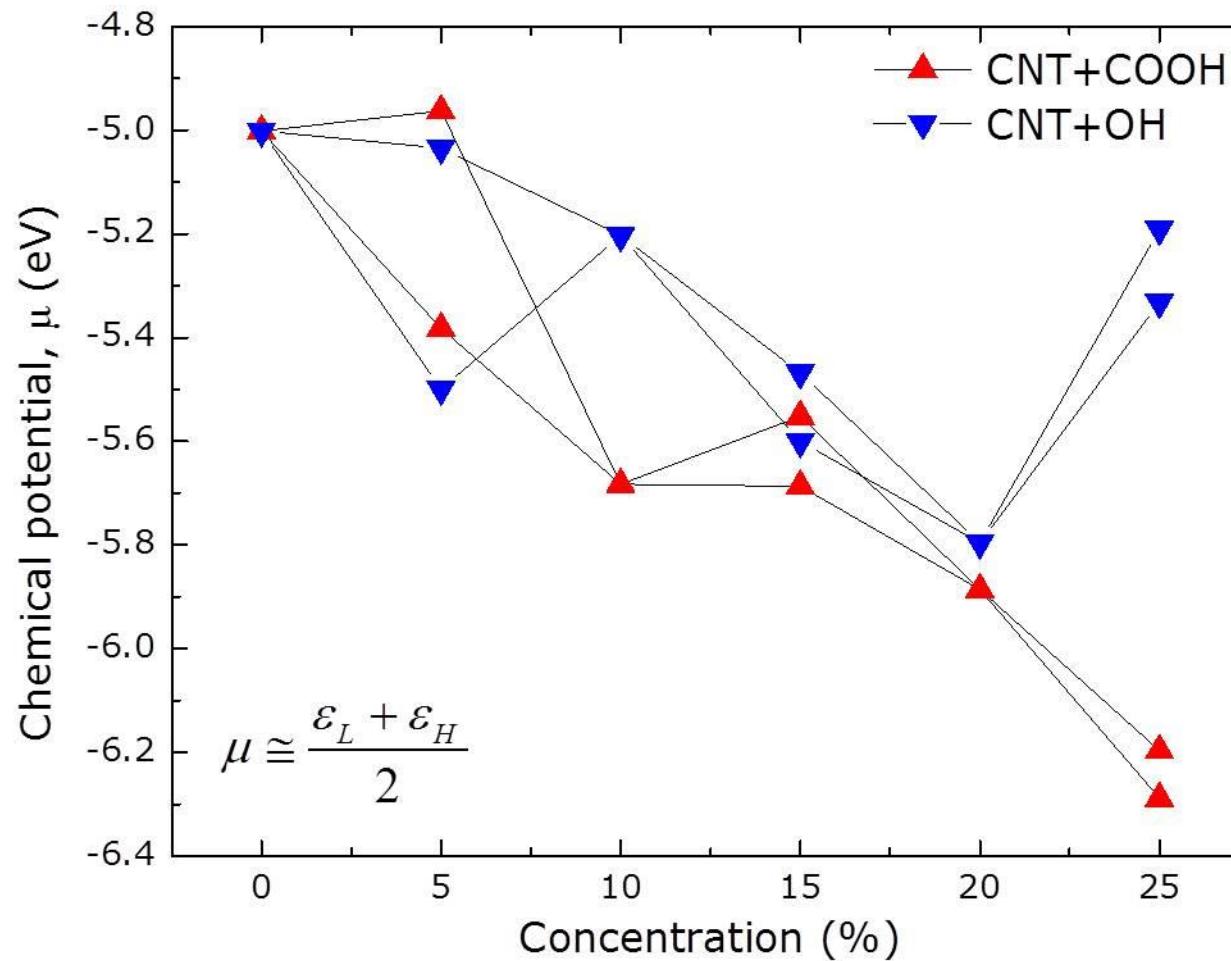


Figure 17 – GAP (HOMO-LUMO) vs concentration.

# ELECTRONIC PARAMETERS



## Chemical potential ( $\mu$ )



**Figure 18 –** Chemical potential vs concentration.

# ELECTRONIC PARAMETERS

## MOLECULAR HARDNESS ( $\eta$ )

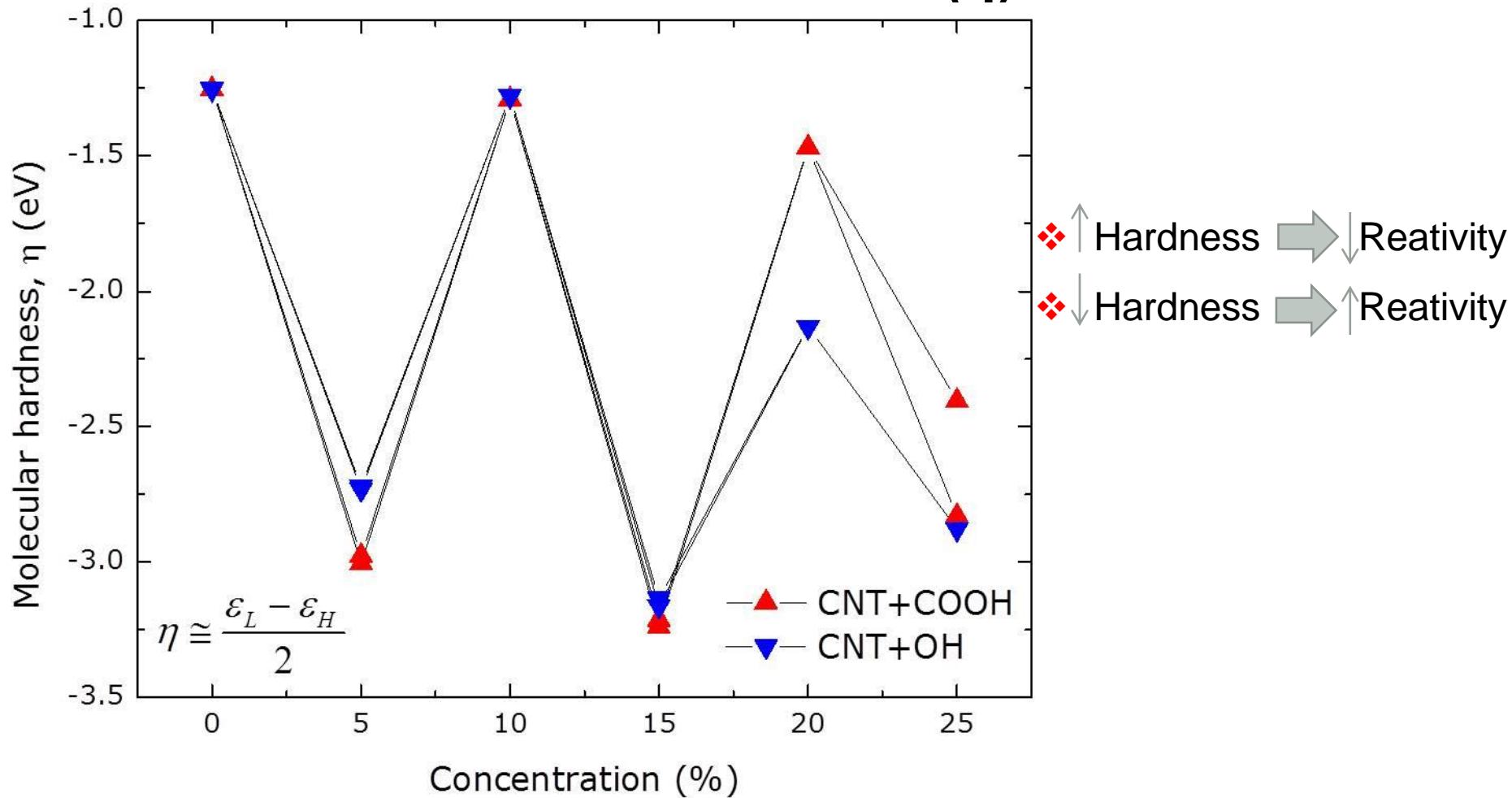


Figure 19 – Molecular hardness vs concentration.



# ELECTRONIC PARAMETERS

## ELECTROPHILIC INDEX ( $\omega$ )

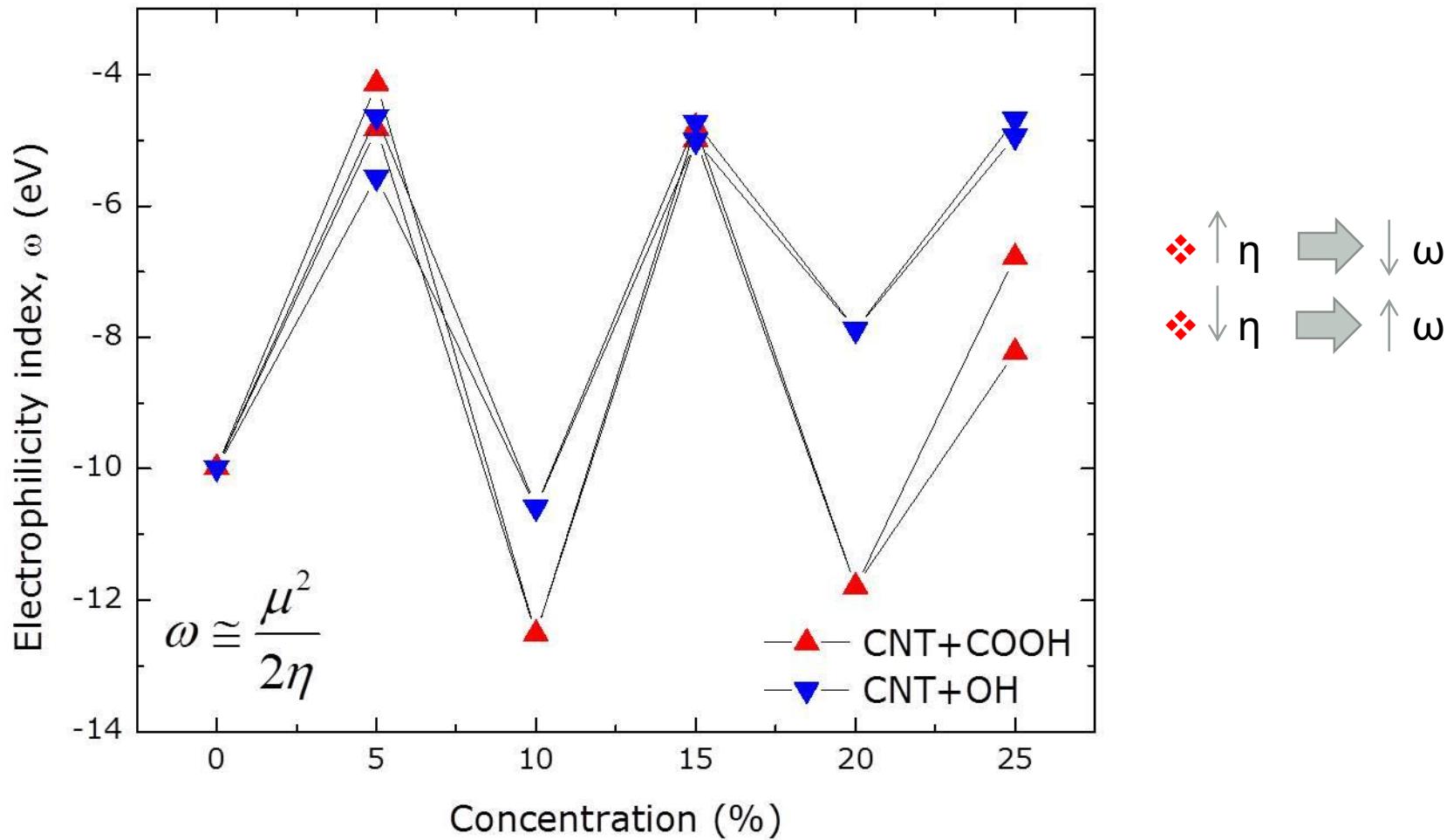
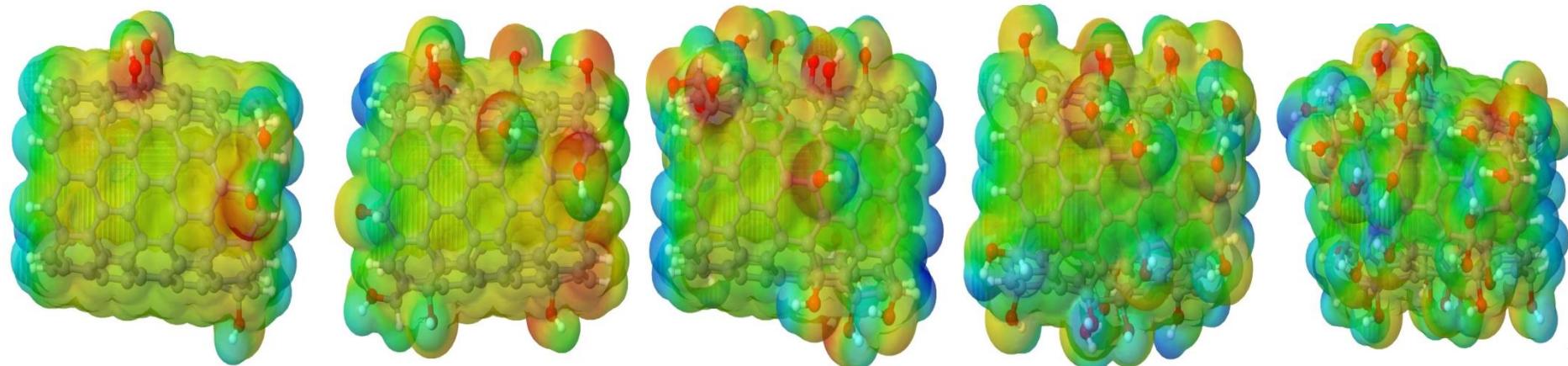


Figure 20 – Electrophilic index vs concentration.

# ELECTROSTATIC POTENTIAL

CNT+OH



x = 5%

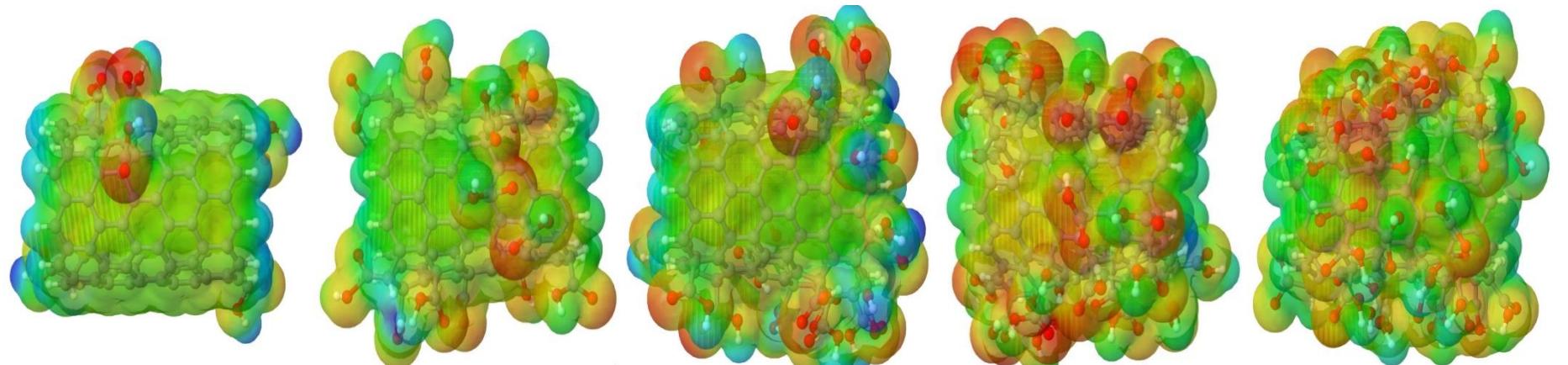
x = 10%

x = 15%

x = 20%

x = 25%

CNT+COOH



x = 5%

x = 10%

x = 15%

x = 20%

x = 25%

Figure 21 – Electrostatic potential for systems  $\text{CNT}-(\text{OH})_x$  and  $\text{CNT}-(\text{COOH})_x$ .

# CONCLUSIONS

- ❖ Functionalization interval between 0 a 25 %.
- ❖ Increase on entropy.
- ❖ Optimized structure for each concentration.
- ❖ Spin polarization for odd concentrations.
- ❖ Functionalized CNTx with 10% more stable.  
Functionalized with 15% more reactive.
- ❖ Electronic parameters for each concentration.
- ❖ Oscillatory behavior of electronic parameters.

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