

NanoYou Film Talks Tiny

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How tiny is 'Tiny'? Well it's nano, and nano is everywhere. It gives butterflies their colour and geckos their sticky feet; it can make water-proof plants and honey-proof spoons; help us cure diseases and help stop climate change.

Nano can even let us hear atoms "sing ", and maybe one day connect our brains to the internet. You can learn more by watching a newly completed short film funded by the EC and the Department's Nanoscience Centre, University of Cambridge. The film entitled *Nanoyou* gives an introduction to the strange world of Nanoscience and is narrated by Stephen Fry.

The Nanoscience Centre is a partner in a EU funded project called Nanoyou; an educational portal which provides online resources for teachers, young people and those interested in an introduction to [nanoscience](#). Other partners are from a range of countries and educational and societal areas which include the European Schoolnet in Brussels and the Barcelona Science Park. The [Nanoyou website](#) is packed with other nano resources, including a virtual nanotechnology lab, hands-on activities for the classroom and games.

The video was showcased at the end of January to a group of teachers from across Europe and from which it received amazing reviews. UK teachers who have seen it have described it as "absolutely great - stunning images, well-presented" and "captivating" by one 'A'-Level teacher who used it with her class. Another wrote especially to congratulate the Centre saying "found this today and showed it to my

year 11 GCSE chemistry class. FABULOUS video, thanks so much, a squillion times better than the majority of "made for school science" videos which are so often awfully dull. Wonderful stuff and lovely Stephen Fry to boot".

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