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- ➤ Identify the types of economic impacts that can be expected from nanotechnology in the sector. Consider both the broad and narrow objectives (and predictions) cited by governments, researchers, companies, and others.
 - What impacts are already occurring?
 - 1. Replacement of trad. Materials/composites due to (a) cost of traditional material, (b) technological advantage, (c) regulation, (d) cost of raw materials, (e) limitation of raw materials
 - 2. Adaptation of production/manufacturing processes
 - What can we expect the most important impacts to be in 5 (too short) years time?
 - 1. Measureable environmental impacts, such as reduction of carbon footprint / climate change,
 - 2. better design flexibility
 - 3. increasing efficiency in transportation
 - 4. increasing efficiency & reduction of weight of electric drive systems
 - 5. improvement of safety (driving systems, sensors, energy absorption materials, etc.)

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- What type of metrics might be appropriate to assess these high priority impacts?
 - 1. number of standards (official, in industry consortia, etc.),
 - 2. number of (industry) consortia formed
- ➤ [How do you expect metrics for economic impact to **shift** as nanotechnology in this sector evolves?]
- > Are there unique challenges to assessing economic impact in each sector?
 - 1. Difficulty to calculate cost/savings,
 - 2. conveying of benefits to the public