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The next **Industrial Revolution** is right around the corner. Fourth generation [nanotechnology](#) – molecular manufacturing – will radically transform the world, and the people, of the early 21st century. Whether that transformation will be peaceful and beneficial or horrendously destructive is unknown. Although nanotechnology carries great promise, unwise or malicious use could seriously threaten the survival of the human race. The vision of CRN is a world in which [molecular manufacturing](#) is widely used for productive and beneficial purposes, and where dangerous uses are limited.

The **mission of CRN** is to: 1) raise awareness of the [benefits](#), the [dangers](#), and the possibilities for responsible use of advanced nanotechnology; 2) expedite a [thorough examination](#) of the environmental, humanitarian, economic, military, political, social, medical, and ethical implications of molecular manufacturing; and 3) assist in the [creation and implementation](#) of wise, comprehensive, and balanced plans for responsible worldwide use of this transformative technology.

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