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The devices are made of nickle alloy.

They can be made in a batch process where hundreds or thousands can be made on a single wafer, which would make them inexpensive to produce.

Beyond charging our cell phone, the researchers think that the micro-windmills could also be applied to make energy for other things.

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Smitha Rao and J.-C. Chiao designed and built the device that is about 1.8 mm at its widest point.

J.-C. Chiao was a professor of electrical engineering at the University of Texas, Arlington, Smitha Rao, a graduate research associate at UT, Arlington, developed micro-windmill technology based on recent advances in micro-robotic devices.

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Rao's designs blend origami, 3-D moveable mechanical structures , two-dimensional metal pieces optimized by WinMEMS Technologies Co., that took an initial interest in Rao's work. A single grain of rice can hold about ten micro windmills.

An iPhone 4 could fit about 2,040 of the micro-windmills on its surface WinMEMS was founded in 2007

The micro windmills were tested successfully in September 2013 in Chiao's lab. sources:

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