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A German Initiative on the Health Aspects of Synthetic Nanoparticles:

Establishing an Information- and Knowledge-Base for Innovative Material Research

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# Introduction



Information- and Knowledge-Base on Health Aspects of Synthetic Nanoparticles



### **Conventional Approach for Toxicological Risk Assessment**











Knowledge Transfer





### from Particles to Effects

Data Generation and Risk Communication

### Generation of Knowledge

- Particle synthesis
- Particle characterisation
- Occupational Exposure
- Hazard identification in vitro and in vivo

### Management of Knowledge

- Data acquisition and -structuring
- Knowledge base and portal

### Transfer of Knowledge

- Publication
- Communication (Dialogue Meetings)

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**Packages** 

# **Work Packages**

#### WP 1: Particle Production

Directed modification of the investigated particles with regard to their size, surface charge and surface chemistry. Additional parameters are various surface coatings and alteration of hydrophobicity

#### WP 2: Particle Standardisation and Characterisation

Method of synthesis: precursors and modifications will be the same for all involved labs. The comparability of the results is ensured. All facilities and methods have to be standardised. Important property: agglomeration- and aggregation behaviour as well as the stability of agglomerates and aggregates

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# **Work Packages**

#### WP 3a: in vitro Models - Cell Cultures

Selection of valid cells/cell types for the investigations e.g. lung cells, epithelial cells, co-cultures

#### WP 3b: in vitro Models - biological Endpoints

Selection of valid biomarkers (effect identification) for a significant effect monitoring within these cellular systems

#### WP 4: Validation in vivo

Examination of the *in vitro*-results within animal experiments -Extrapolation *in vitro* - *in vivo* 

#### WP 5: Occupational Exposure

Number, agglomeration behaviour and distribution of nanoparticles at work places

Adjustment and development of new measuring methods

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#### WP 6: Data Preparation, Interpretation – Knowledge Base

Analysis of the produced results and of relevant results from the literature

Maintenance of the knowledge base for internal use as well as the creation of interpreted data sets for public domain

#### WP 7: Knowledge Transfer - Communication and Dialogue

Internal dialogue and knowledge transfer for structuring of the research results

Dialogue and expert meetings; web portal

Publications in scientific journals as well as in the internet

#### WP 8: Coordination and Management of the Project

Coordination of the WPs and the meetings



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WP2 Characterisation of Nanoparticles

## Particle Characterisation

Information	Method		
Particle Morphology	TEM		
(primarry and agglomerated)	SEM		
Particle size distribution (primarry and agglomerated)	TEM		
	Light scattering, AUC		
	TOF-SIMS		
Chemical composition (core,	XPS		
surface, bulk, purity, modifications, stabilization)	ICP-MS		
	AAS		
	Zeta-potential		
Surface area	BET		
Cristallinity and Homogenicity	XRD, EDX (TEM)		
Solubility in media	special methods		

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WP4 in vivo Validation

### Atmosphere Generation and Characterisation

- Head/Nose only
- Spray Generator
- Analysis of concentrations
- Particle size measurement
  - Impactor
  - OPC (optical particle counter)
  - SMPS (scanning mobility particle sizer)







**WP4** in vivo Validation

# **Biological Parameters**

- 1. Histopathology of the lung
- 2. Cell proliferation in the lung
- Total Protein in BALF 3.
- Lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) 4.
- 5. Alkaline phosphatase (ALP)
- 6.  $\gamma$ -Glutamyltransferase (GGT)
- 7. N-acetyl-β-Glucosaminidase (NAG)
- 8. Total cell count
- 9. Macrophage (MPH)
- 10. Polymorph nuclear granulocytes (PMN)
- 11. Lymphocyte (LYMPH)
- Carboxymethyllysin (CML) 12.
- Malondialdehyd (MDA) 13.
- 8-OHdG 14.

5.	Apolipoprotein A1	38.	IL-1α	62.	MDC
6.	ß-2 Microglobulin	39.	IL-1ß	63.	MIP-1α
7.	Calbindin	40.	IL-2	64.	MIP-1ß
8.	CD40	41.	IL-3	65.	MIP-1γ
9.	CD40L	42.	IL-4	66.	MIP-2
0.	Clusterin	43.	IL-5	67.	MIP-3ß
1.	C-Reactive Protein	44.	IL-6	68.	MMP-9
2.	Cystatin	45.	IL-7	69.	Myoglobulin
3.	EGF	46.	IL-8	70.	OSM
4.	Emdothelin-1	47.	IL-10	71.	Osteopontin
5.	Eotaxin	48.	IL-11	72.	RANTES
6.	Factor VII	49.	IL-12p70	73.	SCF
7.	FGF-basic	50.	IL-17	74.	Serum Amyloid P
8.	FGF-9	51.	Insulin	75.	SGOT
9.	Fibrinogen	52.	IP-10	76.	TIMP-1
0.	GCP-2	53.	KC/GROα	77.	Tissue Factor
1.	GM-CSF	54.	Leptin	78.	TNF-α
2.	Growth Hormone	55.	LIF	79.	TPO
3.	GST-α	56.	Lipocalin-2	80.	VCAM-1
4.	GST-1 Yb	57.	MCP-1	81.	VEGF
5.	Haptoglobin	58.	MCP-2	82.	von Willebrand factor
6.	IFN-γ	59.	MCP-3		
7.	lgA	60.	MCP-5		
		61.	M-CSF		



#### **Concentration-Effect Diagram**

- Rats exposed to 2, 10 and 50 mg/m<sup>3</sup>
- Immediately after the last exposure
- Relative increase vs. control
- Reflect different levels of local inflammation in inhalation studies

#### **Time-Effect Diagram**

- Rats exposed to 50 mg/m<sup>3</sup>
- Immediately, 2 and 15 days after exposure
- Relative increase vs. control
- Most prominent changes occurred 2 days after the last exposure.



Major findings immediately after end of exposure:

- Diffuse alveolar histiocytosis
- Hyperplasia and epithelialization in the region of the terminal bronchioli
- Particle loaded macrophages
- All findings are regarded as adaptive changes





#### Measurements conducted at NP-workplaces by IUTA

Main measurement techniques employed:

- SMPS and FMPS

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WP5 Occupational Exposure

- ESP and REM/TEM + EDX

#### Number of areas investigated

	Locations			
NP material	Reactor	Processing	Handling/other	Publications
Carbon Black	3	3	3	Kuhlbusch et al., 2004 Kuhlbusch and Fissan, 2006
TiO <sub>2</sub>	2	2	2	
$Al_2O_3$	1	1	1	
other			1	
scheduled	3	3	3	



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