

Alternative Metrics for the Physicochemical Characterization of UFP

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AIME: provide a tool box of relevant instruments for risk assessment, Characterisation, toxicity testing and exposure measurements of MNMs

OECD TG	Topic
105	Solubility in water
106	Adsorption/desorption (soil)
107/117/123	Partition coefficient
108	Complex formation in water
109	Density of solids
110	Granulometry
112	Dissipation constant
115	Surface tension of aqueous solutions

Impact on in vitro and in vivo toxicity tests:
Metrics and Dosage

Solubility in water

OECD GUIDELINE FOR THE TESTING OF CHEMICALS

Adopted by the Council on 27th July 1995

Water Solubility

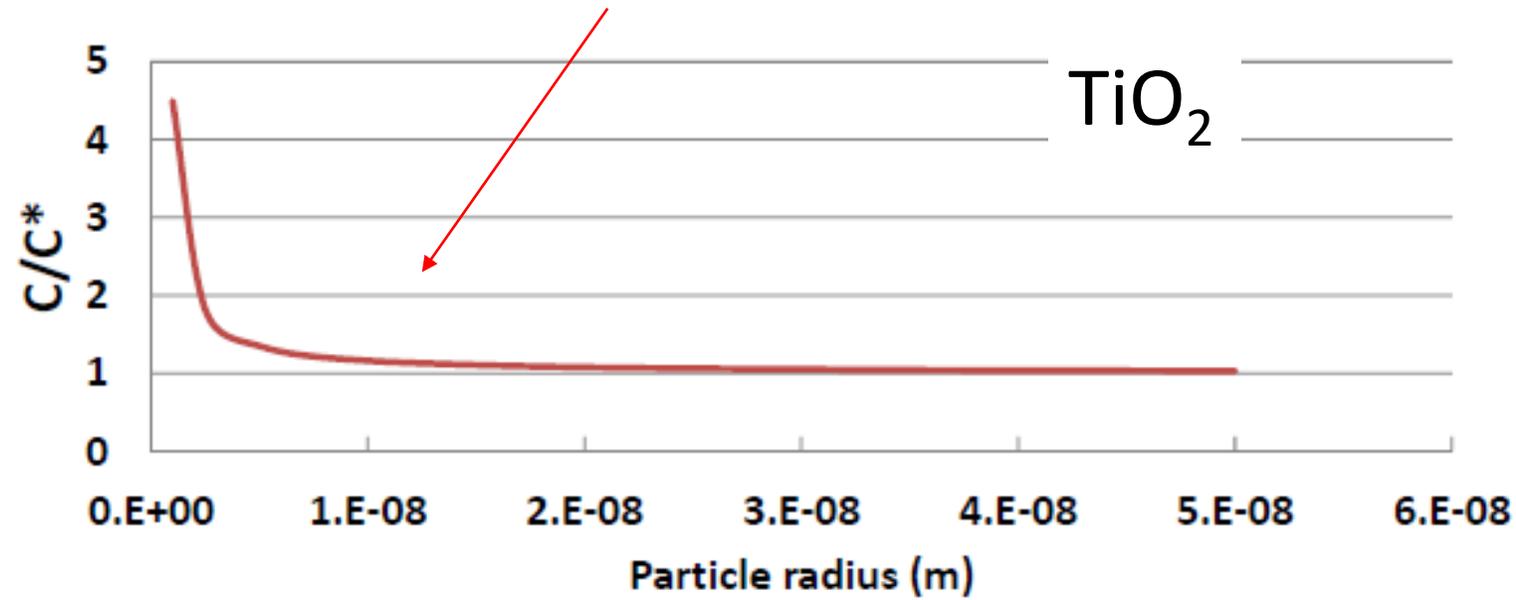
DEFINITIONS AND UNITS

4. The water solubility of a substance is the **saturation mass concentration** of the substance in water at a given temperature.

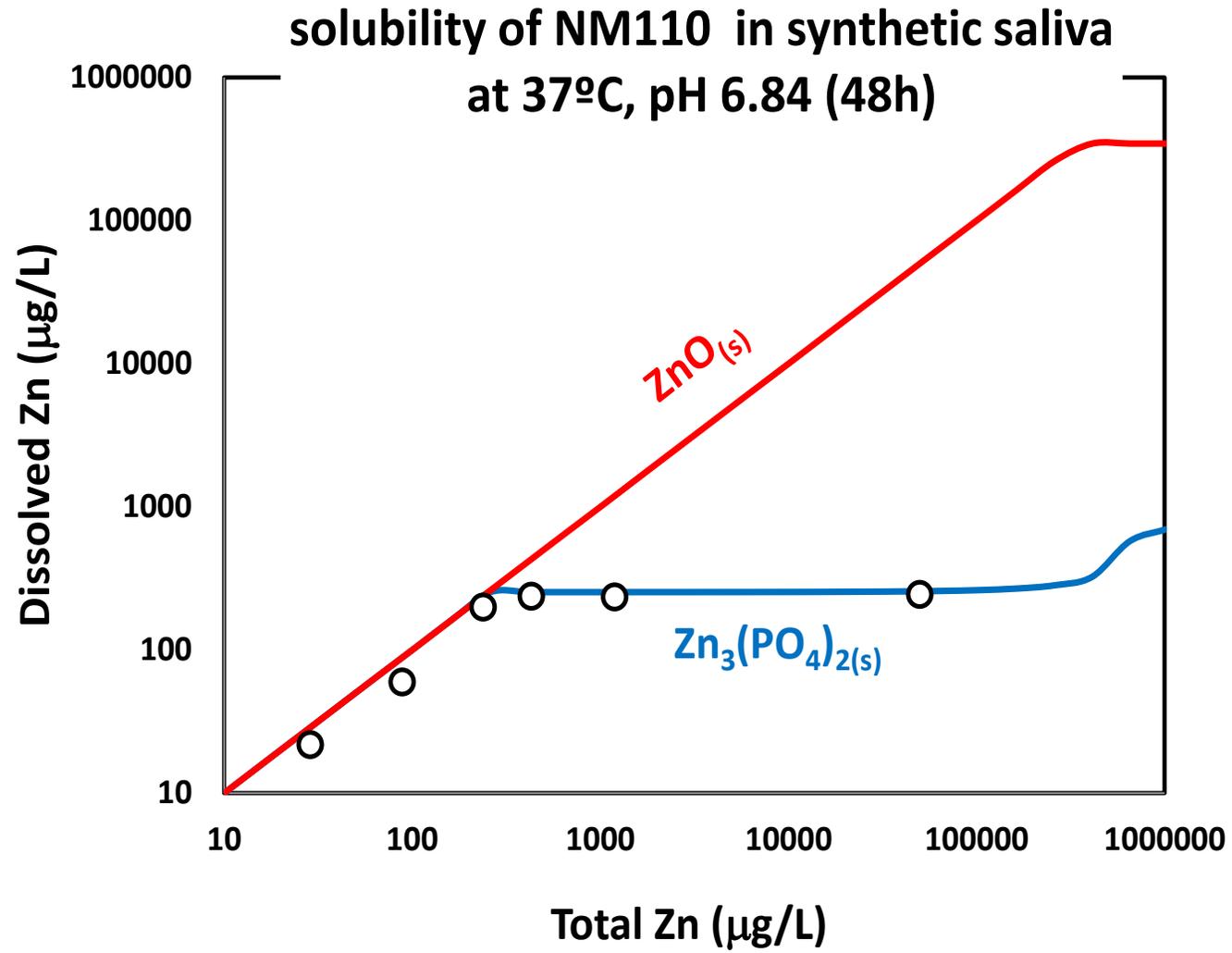
Solubility of Nanoparticles depends from size (Ostwald–Freundlich)

$$\ln \frac{\{C_{i(sat)}\}}{\{C_{i(sat)}^*\}} = \frac{V_i^*}{RT} \frac{2}{3} \gamma^{SL} \frac{4\pi r^2}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3} = \frac{V_i^*}{RT} \frac{2\gamma^{SL}}{r}$$

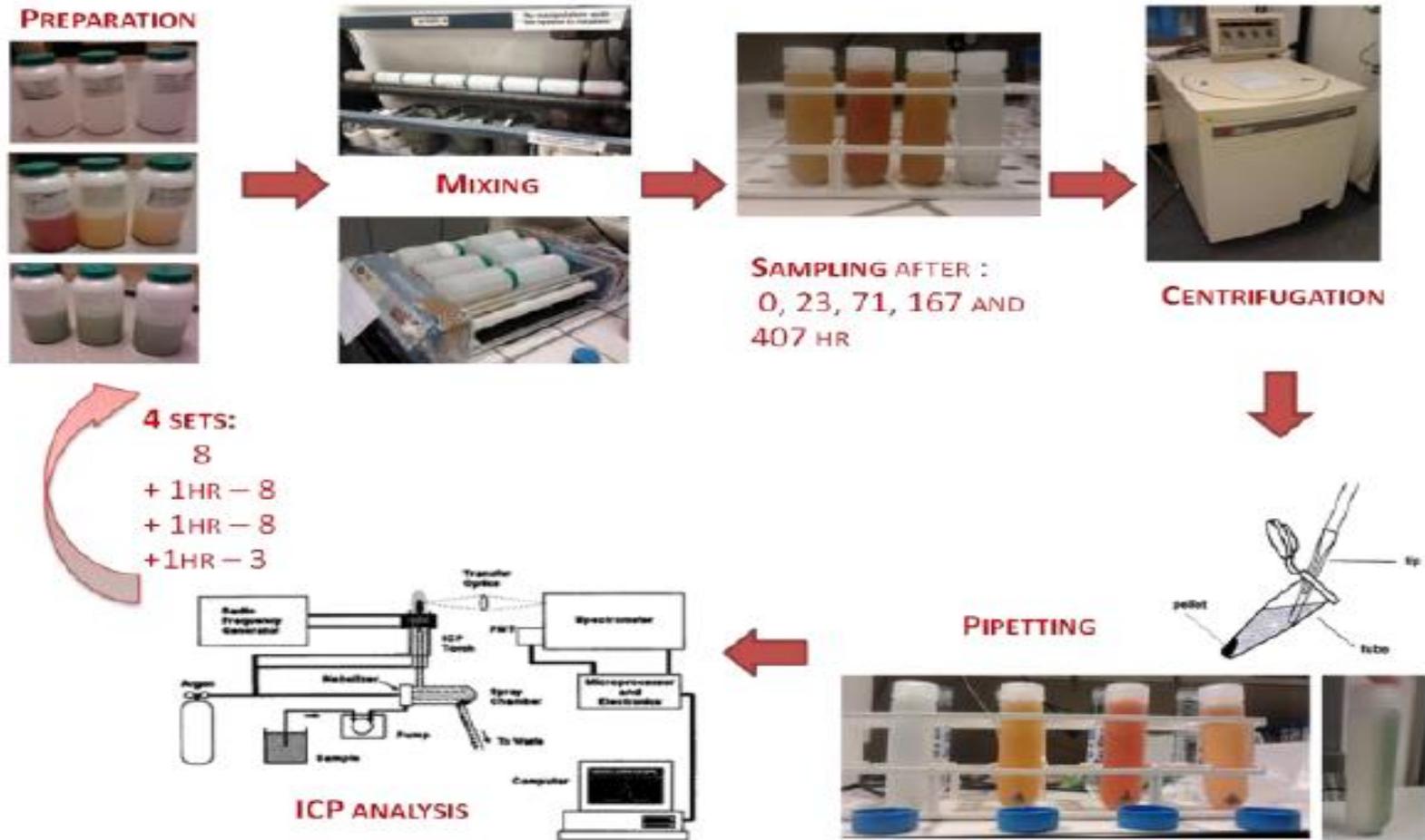
Commercial powder as used in sun screen (25 nm)



Measurement of solubility of Nanomaterial following the OECD TG 105 is in principle not possible



Method for determination of the solubility kinetic



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Figure 22: Protocol summary

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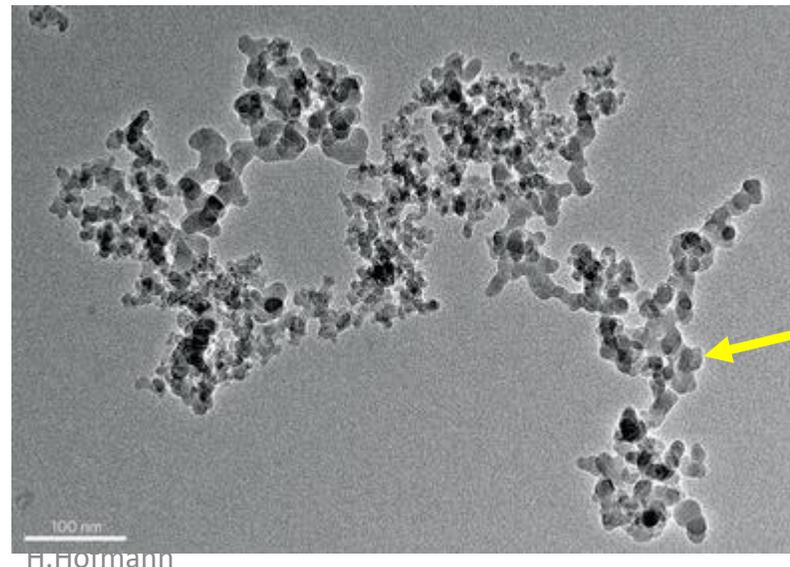
Particle size

- No individual technique can satisfy a meaningful characterization.
- A combination of methods for primary particle size measurement and methods for hydrodynamic size measurement is necessary.
- **For primary particle size measurement, transmission electron microscopy techniques is the appropriate method.**
- In the case of granulometry of NM dispersions, there are 4 available techniques based on robust detection technologies: Centrifugal Liquid Sedimentation (CLS), **Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS)**, Nanoparticle Tracking Analysis (NTA), Coulter counter
- Each technique requires proper calibration standards for the desired zones of interest.
- Use of a common dispersion protocol is mandatory

SOP's are established and in validation phase

OECD TG109 Density of solids

- ***Poured density***, Schüttdichte, densité apparente,
- **Tapped density**, Stampfdichte, densité après tassement,
- **Density**, (Wahre) Dichte (Massendichte), densité,
- **New: Density of agglomerates, skeletal density, effective density**



Primary
particle

Density

- The only method which gives reproducible results: He-Pycnometer

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Version November 26th 2015

Protocol for true density measurement with He-Pycnometer

Method

This method measures the volume of gas (Helium) displaced by a known mass of powder, and gives the true density of the material. The sample must be completely dried.

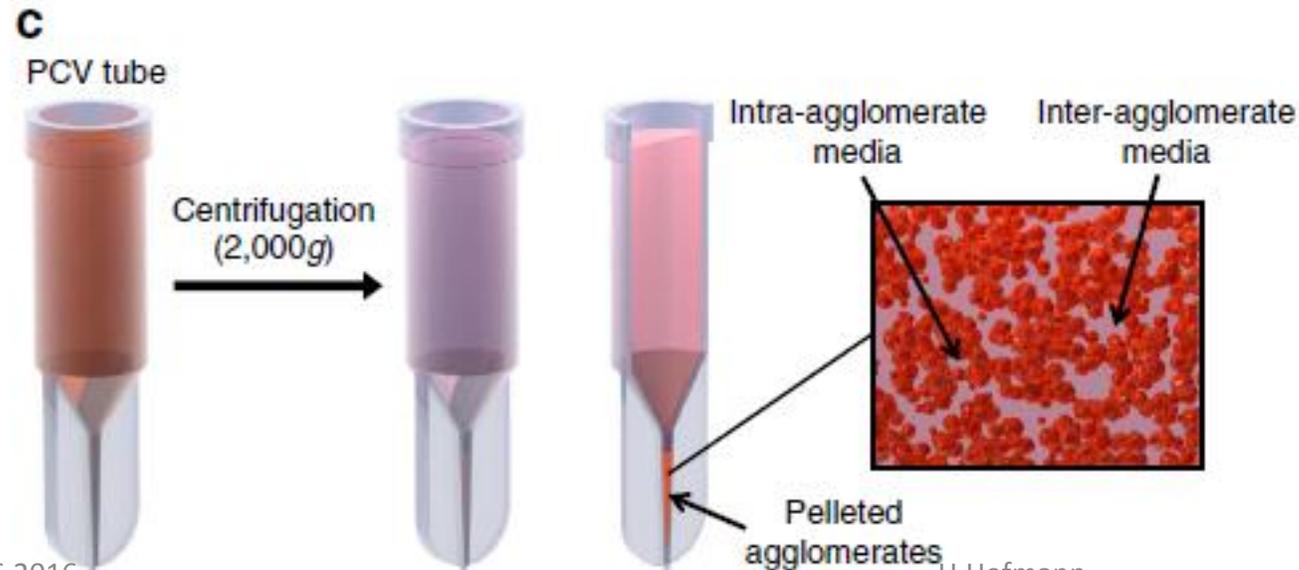
Densities of agglomerates

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Estimating the effective density of engineered nanomaterials for *in vitro* dosimetry

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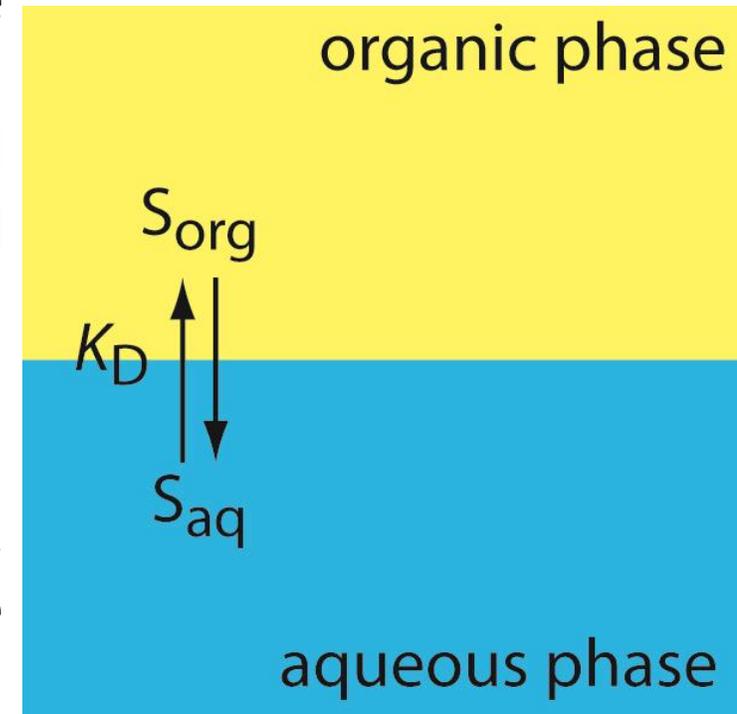
OECD TG 107/117/123 Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Several reasons exist why for nanoparticles this Guideline is not applicable:

- nanoparticles form colloidal dispersions, which are thermodynamically unstable.
- The results of a test following the OECD guidelines will depend strongly from the sample preparation and the energy added during the shaking process
- The colloidal stability influences the behaviour in the liquid

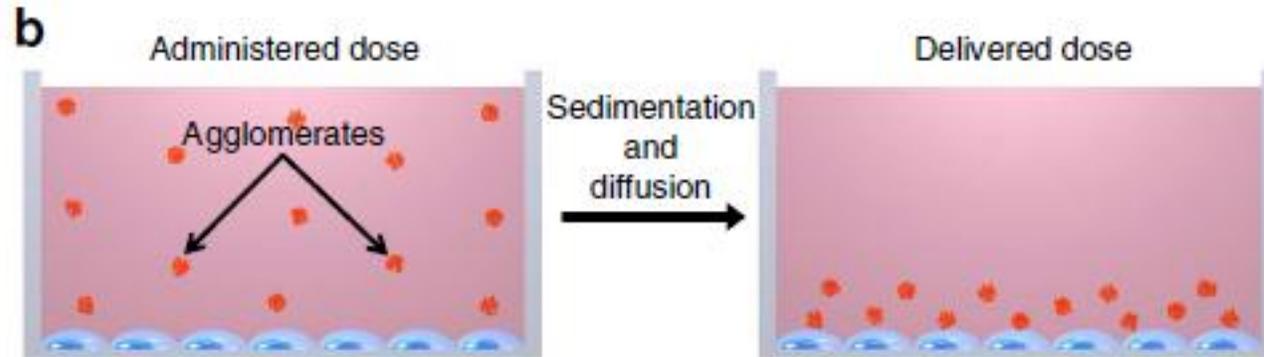
Conclusion:

The OECD Guideline is not applicable to nanoparticle suspension. The guideline has to be replaced by a determination of the colloidal stability of the nanoparticles in different liquids.



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Metrics and Dosage



Mass/area !!!
 Administrated mass
 Deposited mass

$$v_{sed} = \frac{2g(\rho_{NP} - \rho_{media})d^2}{9\mu}$$

All particles which are in a distance of $t \times v_{sed}$ could reach the cell membrane.

$$c / c_0 = erf(x / 2\sqrt{Dt})$$

$$M(t) = 2c_0 \sqrt{\frac{Dt}{\pi}}$$

Sticking coefficient = 1,
 newer model with SC < 1

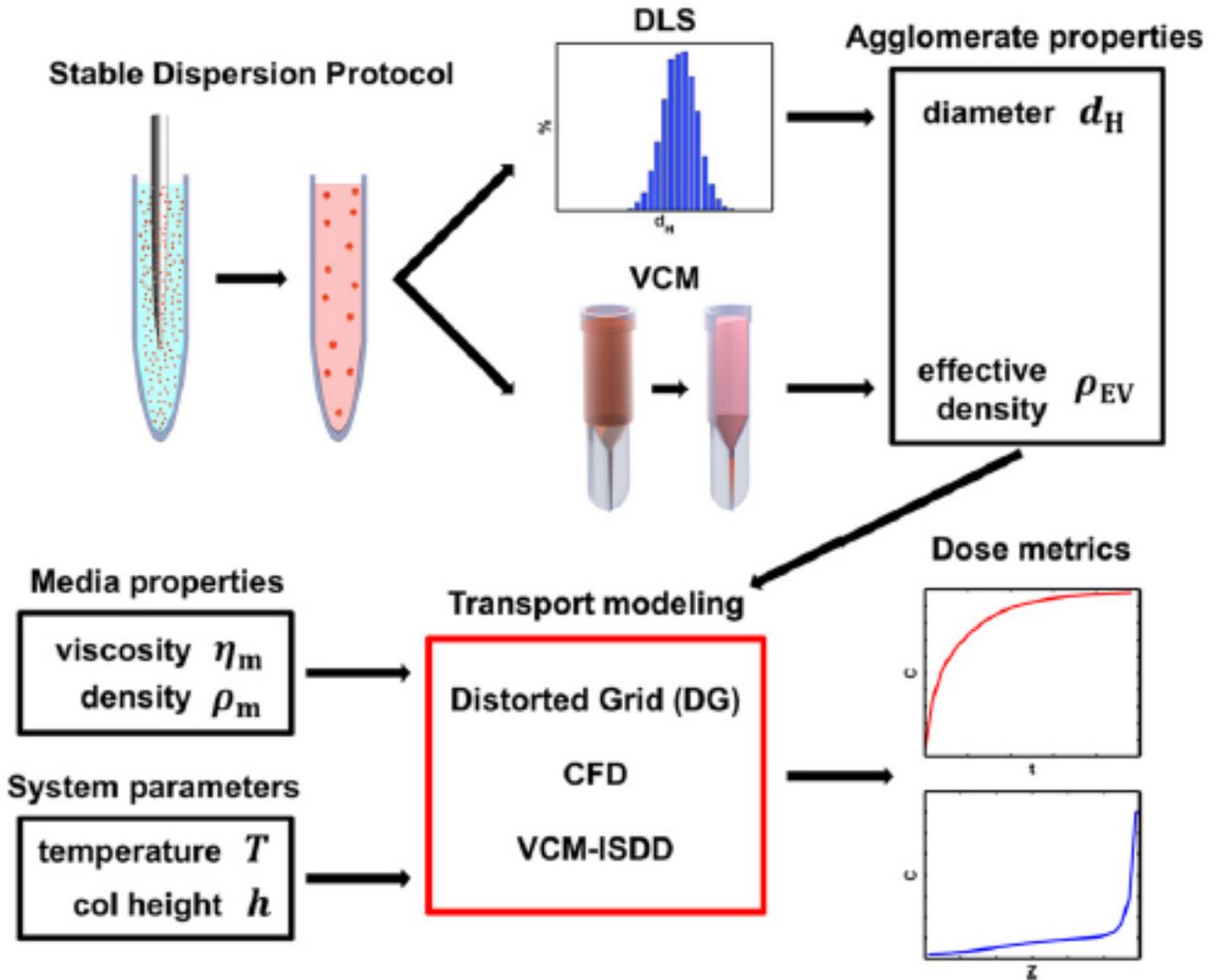
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$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} = A \frac{\partial^2 n}{\partial x^2} - B \frac{\partial n}{\partial x}, \quad A = \frac{RT}{N6\pi\mu a}; \quad B = \frac{X}{6\pi\mu a} = \frac{\frac{4}{3}\pi a^3 g \delta}{6\pi\mu a} = \frac{2g\delta a^2}{9\mu}$$

Advanced computational modeling for in vitro nanomaterial dosimetry

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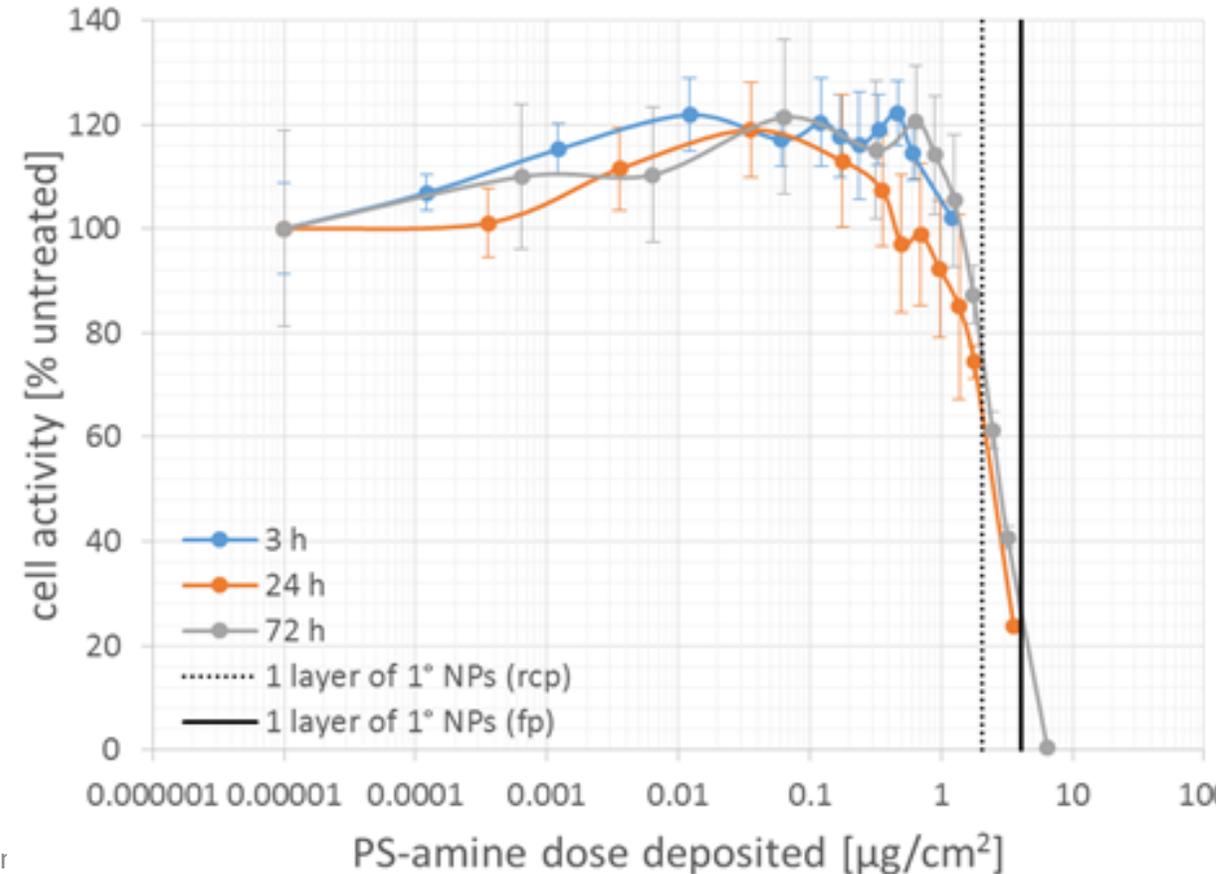
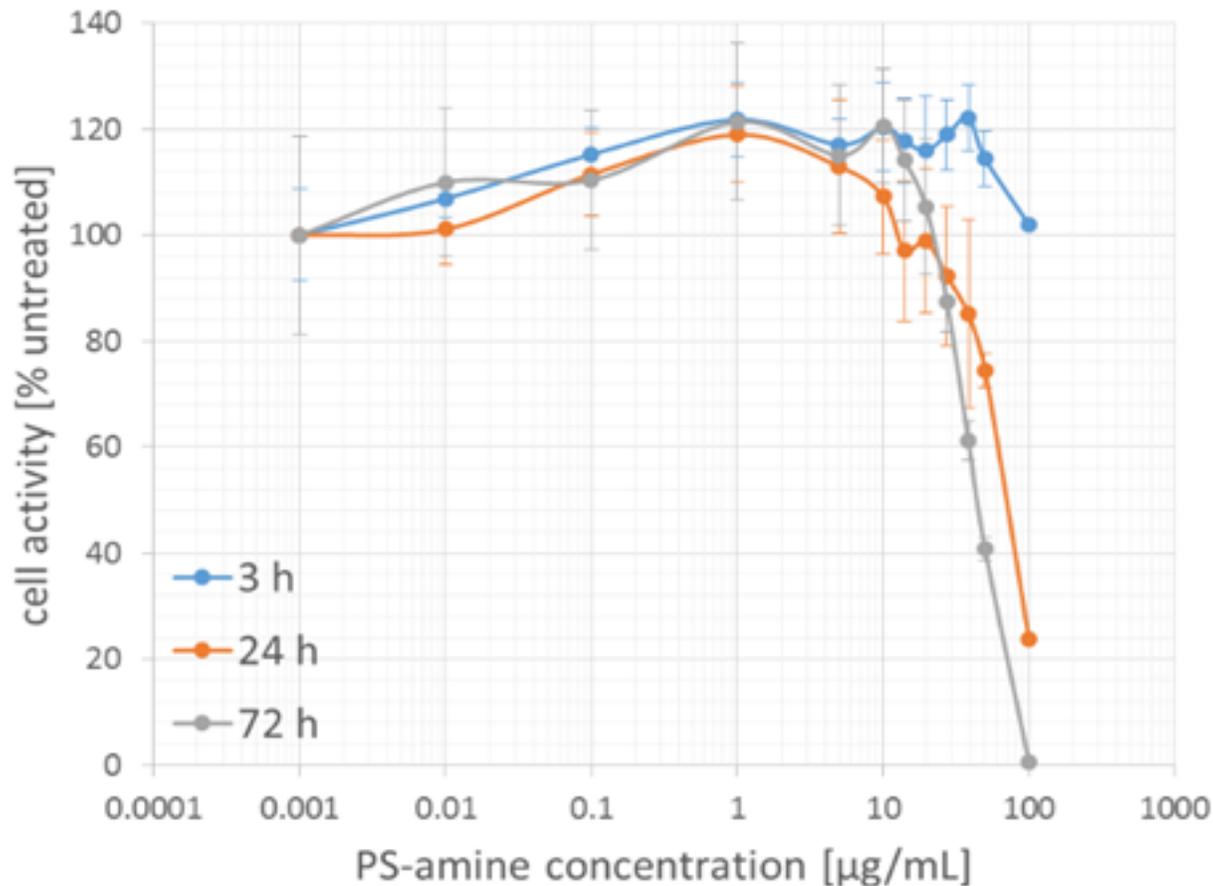


Viability A549 cells: MTS assay

Exposure to poly-styreneamine NP, 50 nm

standard metric: $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$

new metric: $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ (ISDD)

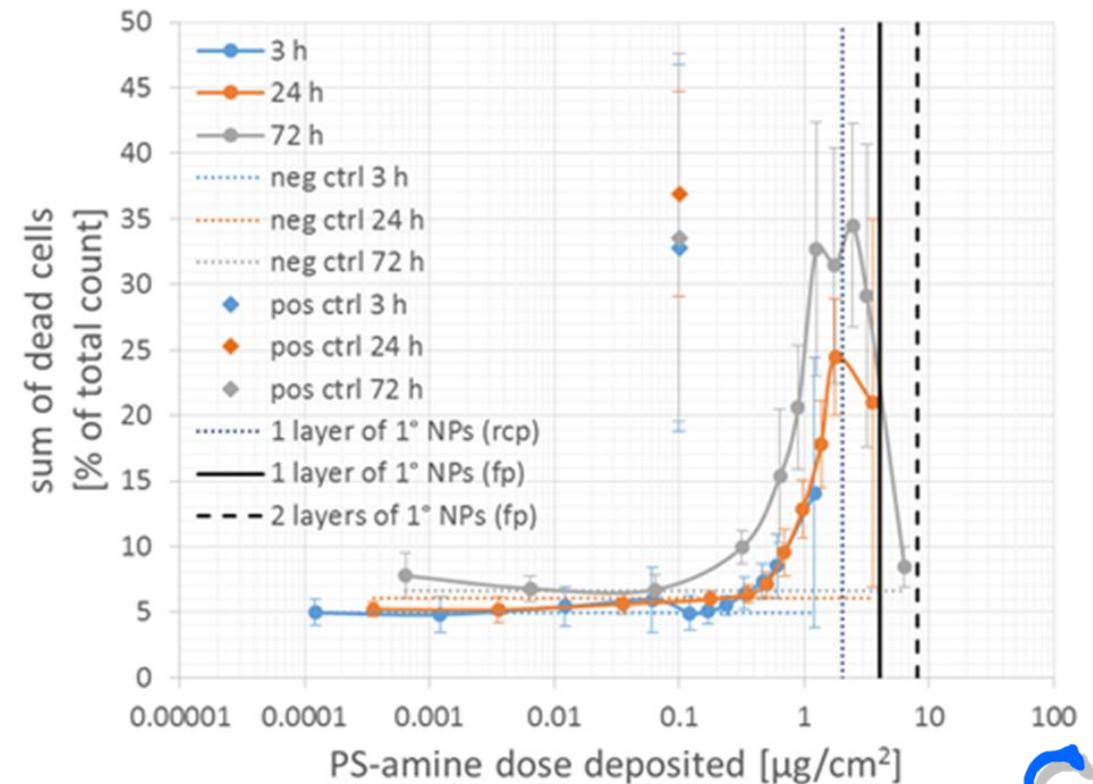
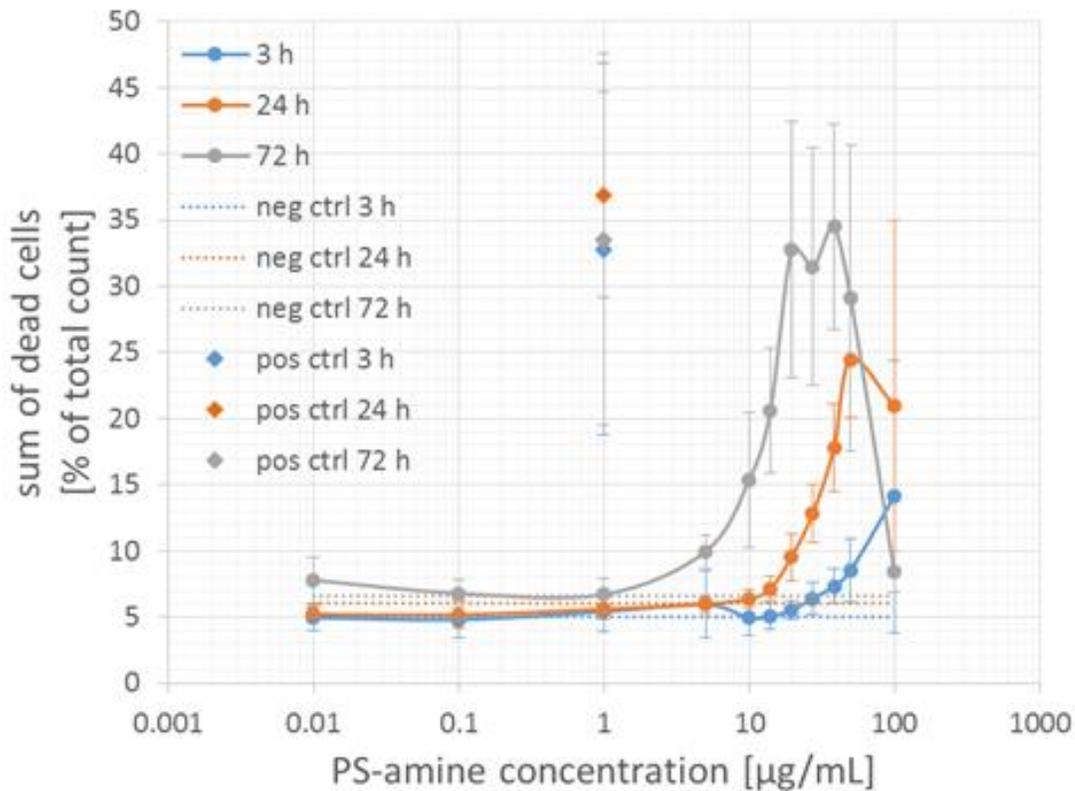


Viability A549 cells: Annexin V/PI assay

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Conclusions

- Most of the OECD technical guidelines for physical and chemical characterization of NP needs modifications or are from a thermodynamic point of view not applicable
- Primary particles size, size distribution (shape) should be determined by TEM
- Agglomerate size and size distribution DLS or equivalent methods are useful (hydrodynamic diameter)
- Density of primary particles and effective density has to be known
- For toxicity tests deposited mass/area is adequate metrics. If the particles are correctly characterized, mass could be transferred into number, surface and volume.

Thank you for your Attention



A common European approach to the regulatory testing of nanomaterials

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