

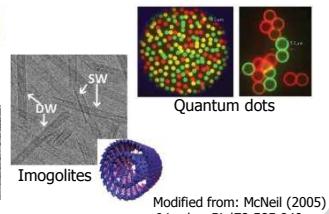
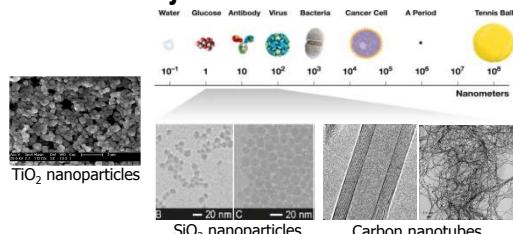
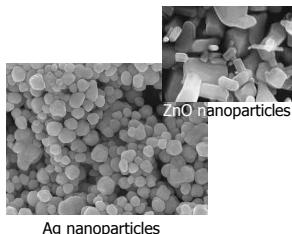
## Physico-chemical properties of nanomaterials that determine their toxicity



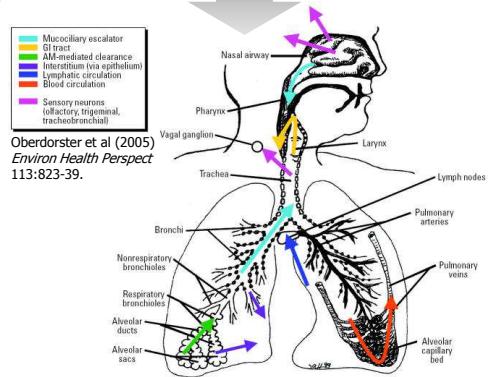
Airborne  
particles  
and nanomaterials



### Nanoworld: objects with at least 1 dimension $\leq 100$ nm

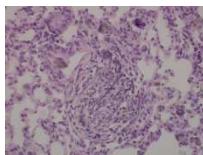


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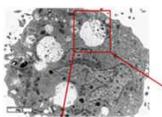
## Pulmonary toxicity

### Mechanism-based NM-adapted procedures

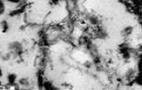


Biopersistence

NM  
solubility



Intracellular  
localization



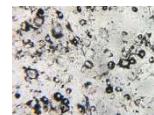
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**INFLAMMATION  
FIBROSIS  
CANCER**

### Mechanism-based NM-adapted procedures



Cytotoxicity



Fibroblast  
stimulation

Inflammatory  
activities



Extracellular  
matrix



Genotoxicity

**Predicting toxicity  
Designing safer NM**