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Safety of Nanomaterials

Nano Long-Term Project

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Background

Only two chronic inhalation studies with dusts of nanomaterials exist:

- **TiO₂ P25** (Degussa):
Tumors in rats after inhalation of 10 mg/m³ for 24 months
- **Carbon black (Printex 90)**:
Tumors in rats after inhalation of 11.7 mg/m³ for 24 months



→ No studies according to OECD test guidelines
No studies with low aerosol concentrations

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Focus on Long-term Effects and Cancerogenicity

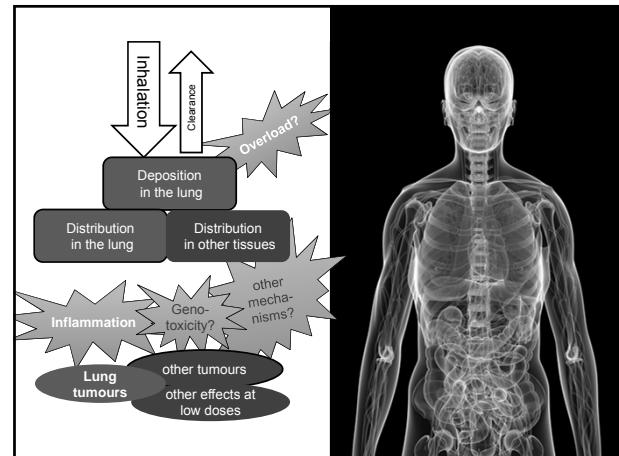
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ABSTRACT
A number of a critical review by a working group of the German Federal Environment Agency and the German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment on the carcinogenic potential of nanomaterials is presented. After a critical review of the available data, we conclude that the potential carcinogenic risk of nanomaterials in the form of carbon nanotubes and nanosized TiO₂ particles may induce tumors in several animal models. It is assumed that the carcinogenic mechanism is mainly based on the formation and/or inhalable fractions of nanoparticle fine dusts of low toxicity (nano-TiO₂) inhaled in chronic inflammatory processes. The evidence for the carcinogenic potential of nanomaterials in humans is currently not sufficiently conclusive.
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Regulatory Goals



Assess long-term toxicity of granular, biopersistent dusts of nanomaterials

- to aid threshold setting
- same mechanisms as non-nano?
- overload, inflammation or Genotoxicity and other Mechanisms?

Generate data to compare short-term studies' and *in vitro* results

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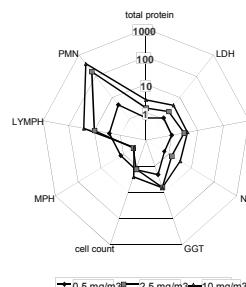


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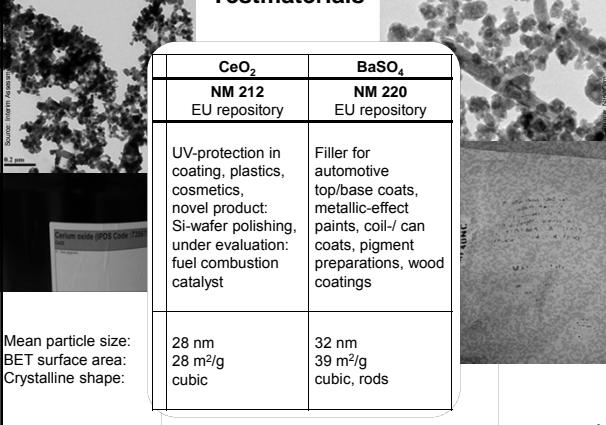
Short-term Inhalation on CeO₂



Increased inflammation markers even at the low concentration

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Testmaterials



Toxicological Data on CeO₂



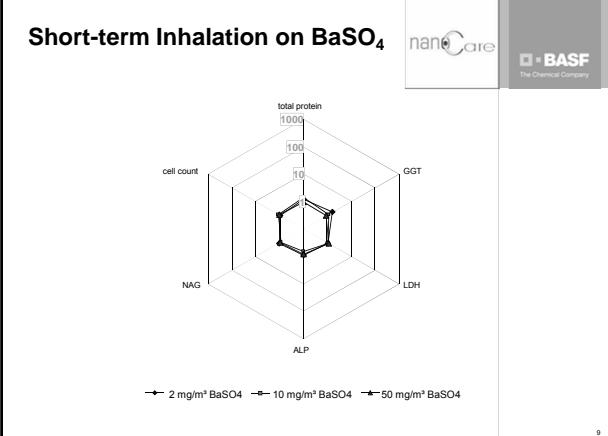
Short-term inhalation
(nanoCare, 2009)

0.5 2.5 and 10 mg/m³
Mild inflammation, histiocytosis
Not completely reversible in 28 days
No translocation outside lung (&LN)

Short-term and 28 day inhalation
(Cassie et al. 2011, Geraets et al. 2012)

Inflammation
Accumulation in pulmonary tissues

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Pre-Studies

- **Technical pre-studies**
 - Set-up of the equipment
 - Aerosol generation and characterization
- **Biokinetic studies**
 - Persistence in biological media
 - Oral uptake
 - Lung burden and clearance
 - Translocation to extrapulmonary tissues
- **Range-finding studies**
 - Short-term inhalation studies (5 and 28 days)



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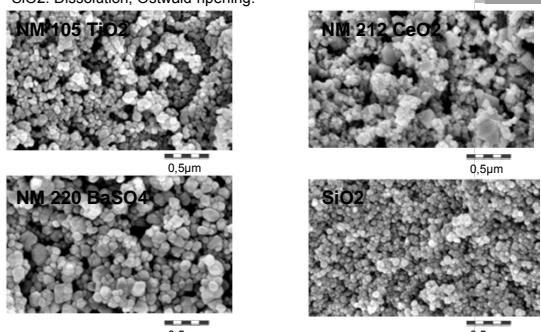
Toxicological Data on BaSO₄

Short-term inhalation (nanoCare, 2009)	2, 10 and 50 mg/m ³ Neither inflammation nor other toxicity No translocation outside lung (&LN)
Subchronic inhalation, non-nano (Cullen et al. 2000, Tran et al. 2000)	75 mg/m ³ Mild increase of PMN
2 month inhalation, non-nano (Einbrodt et al. 1972, Holusa et al. 1973)	40 mg/m ³ Mild inflammation

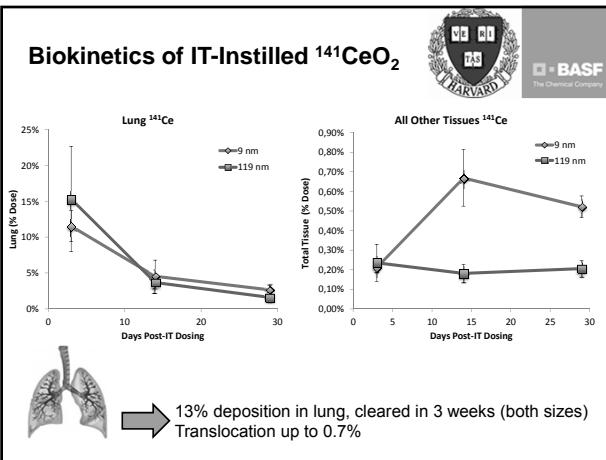
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Particle structure after 28 days in PSF

NM105, NM220: spherical. NM212: spherical and rhombic.
SiO₂: Dissolution, Ostwald ripening.



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Study Design

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Under GLP

- Increased sensitivity:

Increased animal number
Extended histopathology

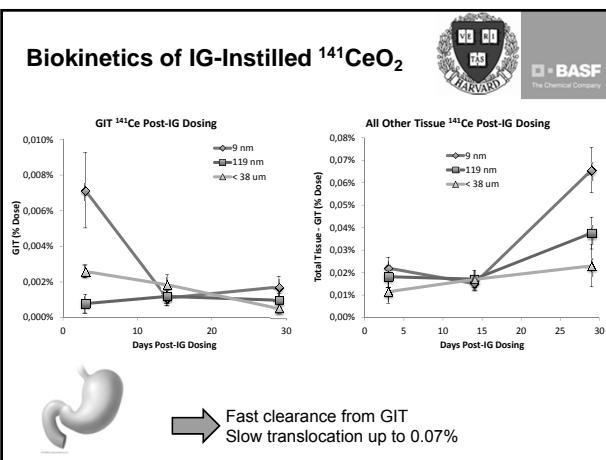
Post-exposure observation up to six month (30 month total)

- Additional examinations :

Toxikokinetics (lung burden; organ distribution)
Genotoxicity
Bronchoalveolar lavage



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Test Concentrations

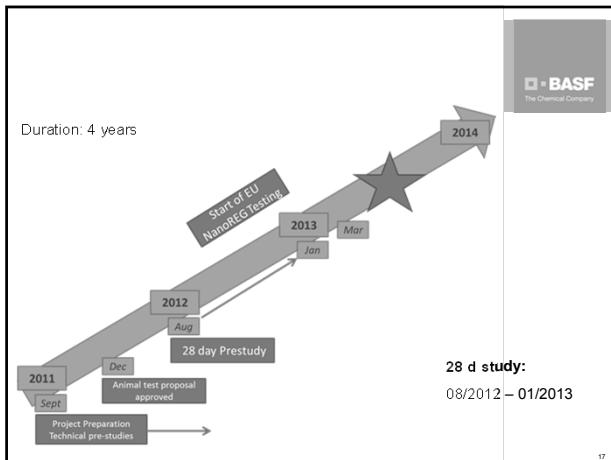
Test concentrations will depend on the results of

- 28 days pre-study (BASF)
- Toxicokinetic studies (Harvard University)

Animal number	Concentration	Testmaterial	Expected Inflammation	Expected Overload
100	Low	CeO_2	-	-
100	Low	CeO_2	-	-
100	Mid	CeO_2	X	-
100	High	CeO_2	X	X
100	High	BaSO_4	-	X
100	0	control	-	-



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Sehr geehrter Herr Dr. Mellert,

aufgrund des § 8 Abs. 1 des Tierschutzgesetzes in der Fassung der Bekanntmachung vom 18.05.2006 (BGBl. I, S. 1206) zuletzt geändert durch Gesetz vom 15.07.2009 (BGBl. I, S. 1950) i. V. m. § 1 der Landesverordnung über Zuständigkeiten auf dem Gebiet des Tierschutzrechts (GVBl 2005 S. 146) erteile ich Ihnen hiermit die

GENEHMIGUNG

zur Durchführung des Tierversuchsvorhabens

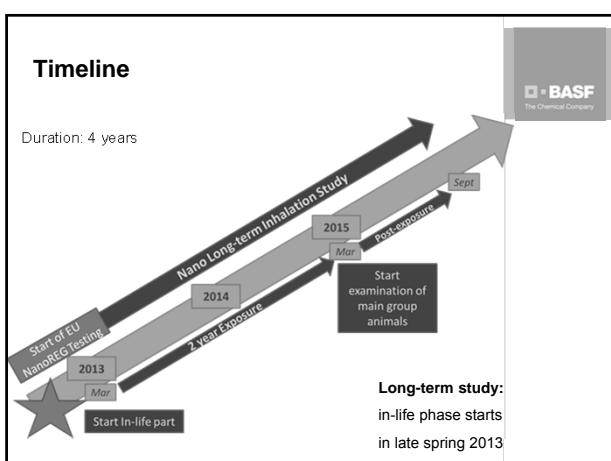
Kombinierte chronische und Kanzerogenitätsstudie mit Nanomaterialien in der Ratte nach inhalativer Exposition

Leiterin des Versuchsvorhabens ist Frau Dr. rer. Lan Ma-Hock, Stellvertreter ist Herr Roland Büsen. Sie erfüllen beide die Voraussetzungen des § 8 Abs. 3 Nr. 2 des Tierschutzgesetzes.

Die Genehmigung gilt bis zum 31.05.2015 und erstreckt sich auf Versuche mit 795 Ratten.

Die von Ihnen aufgezeigte Versuchsplanung einschließlich der Ergänzung vom 03.05.2012 zu den einzusetzenden Materialien ist bindend.

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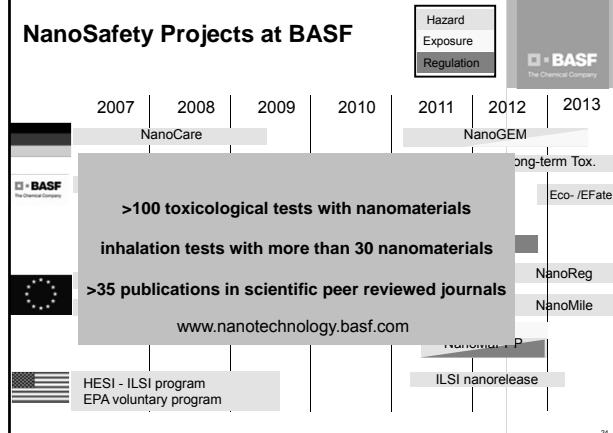
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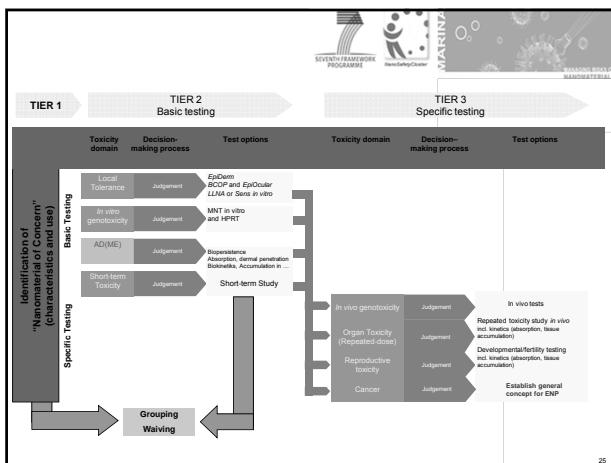
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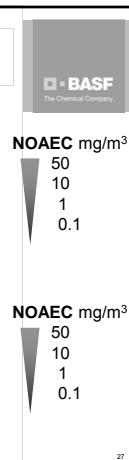
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Comparison of Toxic Potency in STIS and Mid- and Long-term Studies



Summary of Effects with different Nanomaterials

Table showing effects of various nanomaterials at different concentrations (mg/m³) compared to NOAEC (mg/m³):

Material	Conc. [mg/m ³]	NOAEC [mg/m ³]	BAL	Pathology	Reversibility	Translocation
Quarz	100	-	pronounced inflammation	diffuse histiocytosis, increased apoptosis, granulomatous inflammation	not complete	no indication
SiO ₂ 0.5; 2.5; 10	10	10	no effects	no effects	-	no indication
SiO ₂ coated	0.5; 2.5; 10	10	no effects	no effects	-	yes in Spleen
p TiO ₂	250	-	inflammation	diffuse histiocytosis / increased apoptosis	not complete	no indication
TiO ₂ 2, 10, 50	2	2	inflammation	histiocytosis	not complete	no indication
p ZnO	12.5	-	inflammation	mild diffuse histiocytosis, nose necrosis	yes	yes (Zn ions?)
ZnO 0.5; 2.5; 12.5	≤ 0.5	≤ 0.5	inflammation	lung: inflammation / cell death; nose: necrosis	yes	yes (Zn ions?)
CeO ₂ 0.5; 2.5; 10	< 0.5	< 0.5	inflammation	histiocytosis, mild inflammation	not complete	n.d.
CeO ₂ detergent	0.5; 2; 10	< 0.5	inflammation	histiocytosis, mild inflammation	not complete	n.d.
BaSO ₄ 2; 10; 50	50	50	no adverse finding	no adverse finding	-	n.d.
Carbon-black	0.5; 2.5; 10	10	no effects	no effects	-	n.d.
MWCNT 0.1; 0.5; 2.5	< 0.1	< 0.1	inflammation	inflammation	nb	no indication

Grouping of Nanomaterials by various criteria

