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Preclinical Characterization of Nanomaterial

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Treatment Options for Cancer

- Surgery
 - Radiotherapy
 - Chemotherapy
- } Limitations and side effects

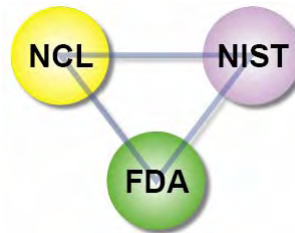
Urgent need to utilize novel technologies and ideas

- Early diagnosis
- Targeted therapy
- Minimize side effects
- Monitor
- Provide better living standards

Nanotechnology at the National Cancer Institute



- NCI has funded exploratory work since 1999 on integrating nanotechnology into biomedical research
- Unconventional Innovations Program (UIP)
 - Diagnostics (Imaging)
 - Therapeutics
- Priority is to now transition that research into the clinical realm.

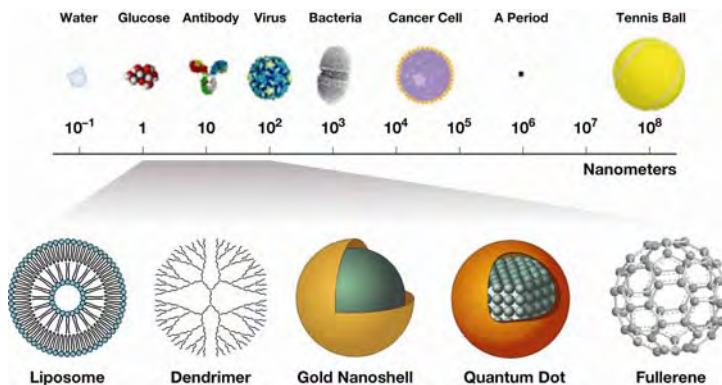


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Nanotechnology Definition



“Research and technology development at the atomic, molecular or macromolecular scale leading to the controlled creation and use of structures, devices and systems with a length scale of approximately 1 – 100 nanometers (nm).” (Source: National Nanotech Initiative)

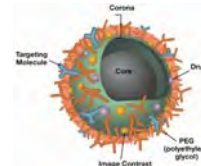


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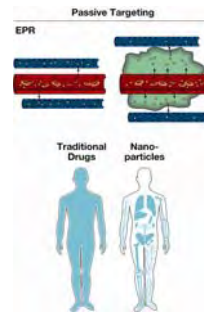
Why Nano?

Therapeutic Benefits

- Solubility
 - Carrier for hydrophobic, hydrophilic therapeutics
- Multifunctional capability
 - Targeting, Imaging, Drug payloads
- Change in pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics
- Active and passive targeting
 - Antibody and ligand conjugates
- Reduced systemic toxicity



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↑Solubility ↑ Stability ↑ Specificity = ↓ Toxicity ↑ Efficacy

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Multifunctional platform

Therapeutic Agent
(Methotrexate)

Targeting agent
(Folic acid or Antibody)

G5-polyamidoamine
(dendrimer platform)

Detecting agent
Fluorescent probe or Gd chelate

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Active Targeting

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← Free MTX
30 mg/kg total

Nanodevice MTX →
3 mg/kg total MTX

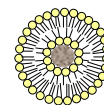
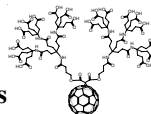
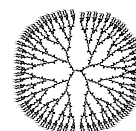


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Nanoparticles by type for medical applications

- Organic Nanoparticles (e.g.: Polymers, Dendrimers, Functionalized fullerenes)
- Organic/Inorganic hybrids (e.g.: Quantum dots, Nanocomposites, Gd-chelates)
- Liposomes (e.g.: Functionalized, inclusion complexes)
- Nanoemulsions (e.g.: Oil-water-surfactant mixtures)
- Biological nanoparticles (e.g.: Protein and peptide based nanoparticles with other active components)



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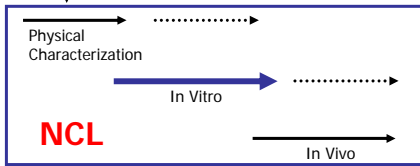
NCL Concept of Operations



Sources of Nanomaterials

- Centers of Cancer Nanotech Excellence (CCNEs)
- Academia
- Big Pharm
- Small Biotech
- NCI, NIH, NSF Grants
- DoD, DoE
- Unconventional Innovative Program (UIP)

NIST



NCL conducts pre-clinical characterization in support of an Investigative New Drug (IND) submission to the FDA

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NCI Facilities



SEPARATIONS TECHNOLOGY GROUP

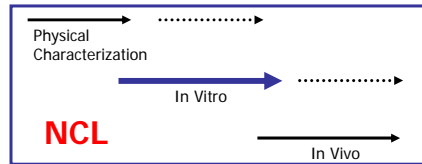
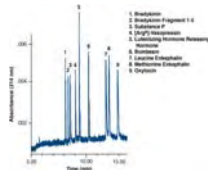
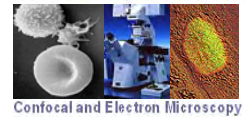


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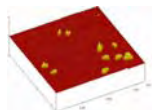


LASP
Laboratory Animal Sciences Program



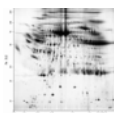
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NCL Assay Cascade



Physico-chemical Characterization:

- Size
- Shape
- Composition
- Solubility
- Molecular weight
- Surface chemistry
- Identity
- Purity
- Stability



In Vitro:

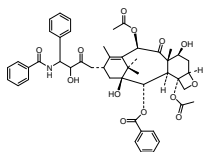
- Pharmacology
- Blood contact properties
- Effects on immune cell function
- Cytotoxicity
- Mechanistic toxicology
- Sterility



In Vivo:

- ADME
- Safety
- Efficacy

Instrumentation for Physicochemical Characterization

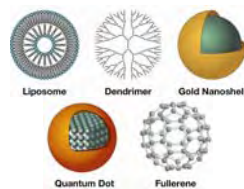


Small molecules

- Elemental analysis
- Mass
- NMR
- UV-Vis
- IR
- HPLC
- GC
- Polarimetry

Physicochemical Parameters

- Composition
- Physical properties
- Chemical properties
- Identification
- Quality
- Purity
- Stability



Nanomaterial

- Microscopy (AFM, TEM, SEM)
- Scattering techniques (PCS, MALS, SAXS, SANS)
- SEC, AFFF
- Electrophoresis (CE, PAGE)
- Zeta potential
- Fluorimetry

Same parameters – different/additional characterization methods

Physico-chemical Characterization



- **Size, Size distribution**
- **Shape**
- **Molecular weight**
- **Surface characteristics**
 - Net charge
 - Zeta potential
- **Functionality**
 - **Functional component**
 - Identification
 - Quantitation
 - Functional and stability assessment
- **Composition**
 - Elemental
 - Core-shell
- **Purity**
 - Homogeneity/Inhomogeneity in Ligand distribution
 - Free components
- **Stability**
 - Thermal
 - pH
 - Photo
 - Aggregation
 - Freeze-thaw
 - Lyophilization
 - Centrifugation
 - Short-term storage
 - Long-term storage
 - Release kinetics
 - Stability of the 'coating'

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In vitro Cascade



In Vitro

- Sterility
 - Bacterial/Viral/Mycoplasma
 - Endotoxin
- Targeting
 - Cell Binding/Internalization
- Blood Contact Properties
 - Plasma Protein Binding
 - Hemolysis
 - Platelet Aggregation
 - Coagulation
 - Complement Activation
 - CFU-GM
 - Leukocyte Proliferation
 - Macrophage/Neutrophil Function
 - Cytotoxic Activity of NK Cells
- Toxicity
 - Phase I/II Enzyme Induction/Suppression
 - Oxidative Stress
 - Cytotoxicity (necrosis)
 - Cytotoxicity (apoptosis)
- Metabolic Stability

NCL Method ITA-1

Analysis of Hemolytic Properties of Nanoparticles

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Protocols at NCL website



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NCL Method STE-1
Version 1.0

Detection of Endotoxin Contamination by End Point Chromogenic LAL Assay

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This protocol assumes an intermediate level of scientific competency with regard to techniques, instrumentation, and safety procedures. End-user safety details have been omitted for the sake of brevity.

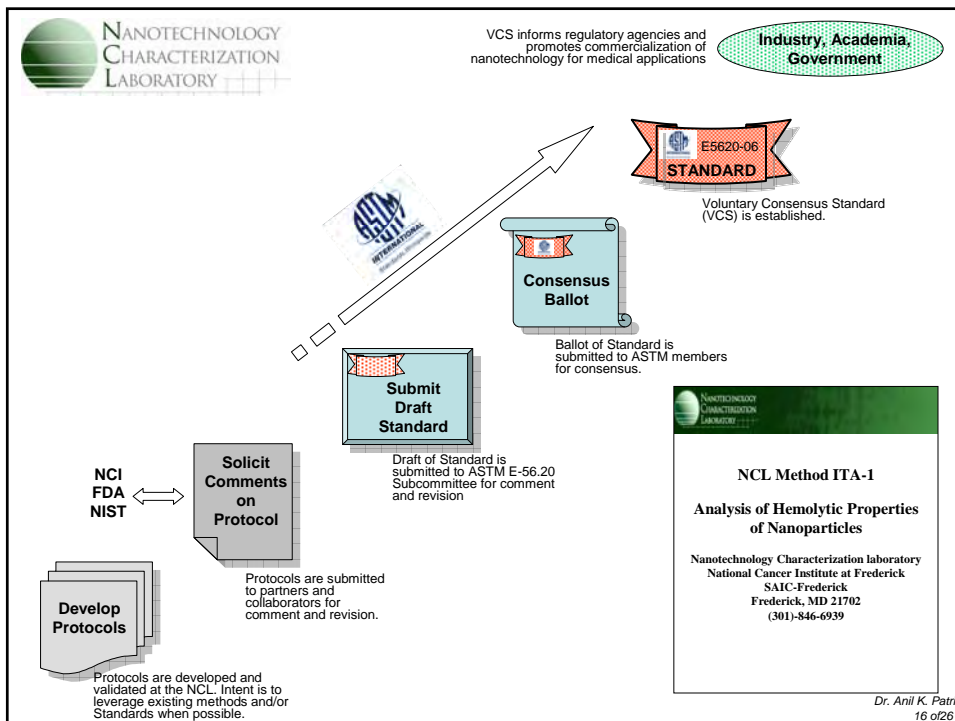
Assay Cascade Protocol - Nanotechnology Characterization Lab (NCL) - Microsoft Internet Explorer

http://ncl.cancer.gov/working_area/cascade.asp

Assay	Method ID
Identify	
Endotoxin	STE-1
Bacterial Endotoxin	STE-2
Mycoplasma	STE-3
Targeting	
Cell Binding/Internalization	
Blood Contact Properties	
Epitope Protein Binding (ZPL Panel)	ITA-4
Hemolysis	ITA-1
Dialysis/Adsorption	ITA-2
Coagulation	ITA-12
Complement Activation	ITA-5
CDL50M	ITA-3
Leukocyte Proliferation	ITA-6
Macrophage/Neutrophil Function (4 categories)	
Phagocytosis	ITA-9
Cytokine Induction (6 assays): TNF- α , IL-1 β , IL-6, IL-8, IL-10, IL-12	ITA-10
Chemotaxis	ITA-8
Oxidative Burst (2)	ITA-7
Cytotoxic Activity of NK Cells	ITA-11
Toxicity	
Phorbol Ester Induced Inhibition	
Oxidative Stress	
ODH Hemolysis (HEP O2)	OTA-3
Lipid Peroxidation (HEP O2)	OTA-4
Cytotoxicity (in vitro)	
MTT and LDH Release (Source: renal proximal tubule cell)	OTA-1
MTT and LDH Release (HEP O2)	OTA-2
Cytotoxicity (apoptosis)	

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Environmental Aspects



Studies Applicable to Environmental Risk Assessment

- **General Cytotoxicity Assays**- determining concentration-response relationships, SAR studies
- **Mechanistic Studies**- Identifying apoptosis, oxidative stress and cytochrome P450 induction/suppression as potential mechanisms
- **In Vivo Toxicology Studies**- Identification of target organs
- **General ADME**- define $t_{1/2}$, clearance mechanisms (i.e. metabolism, biliary excretion, renal clearance, etc.)

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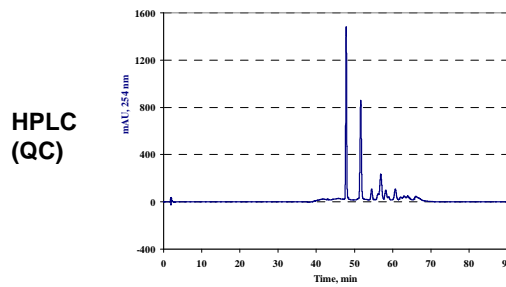
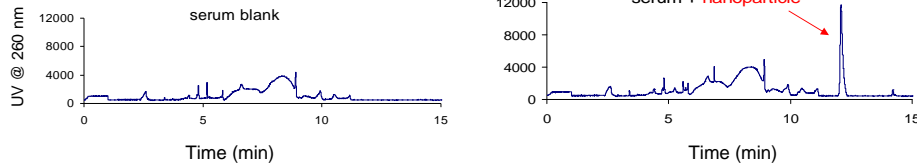


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Detection and Quantitation in Matrix

Capillary electrophoresis

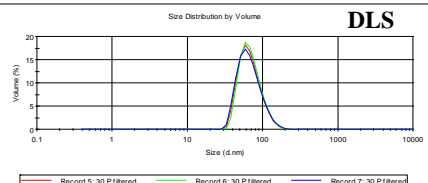
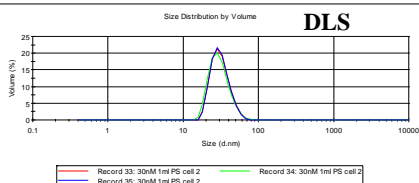
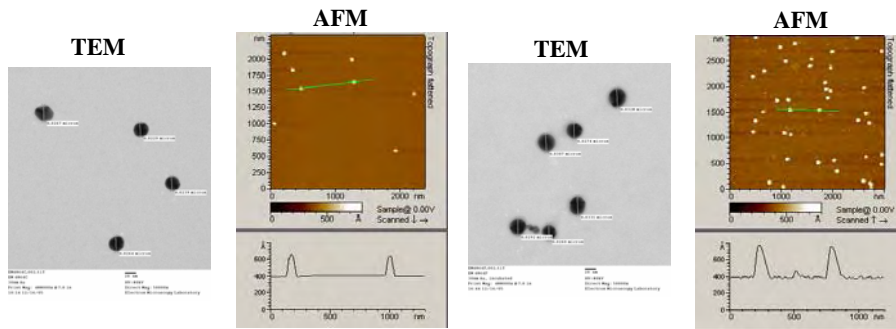


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Metrology: Size

30 nm Gold colloids

30 nm Gold colloids with protein



31 nm

69 nm

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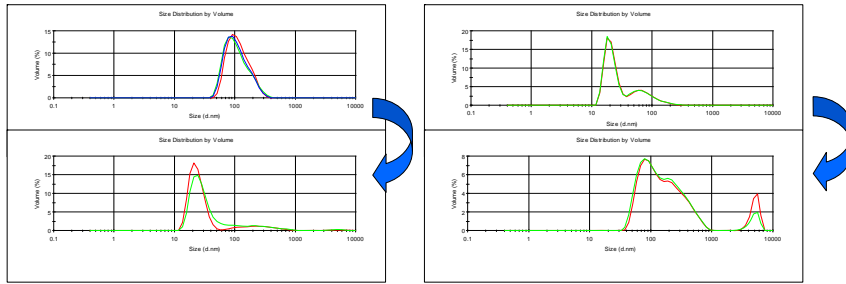
Stability: Liposomes



Liposome

Shelf stability

Size immediately after preparation

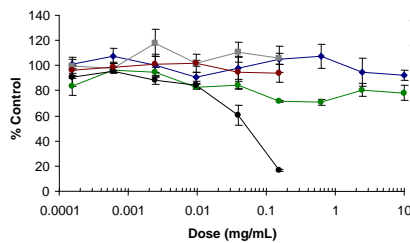


Change in size after 3 months of storage

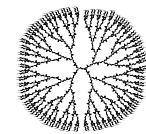
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Structure Activity Relationships

LLC-PK1 24 hr Cytotoxicity
MTT Viability Assay

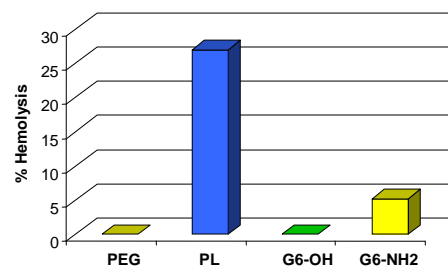


Effect of Surface Functional Group
on cell viability



G6 Dendrimer

Hemolysis



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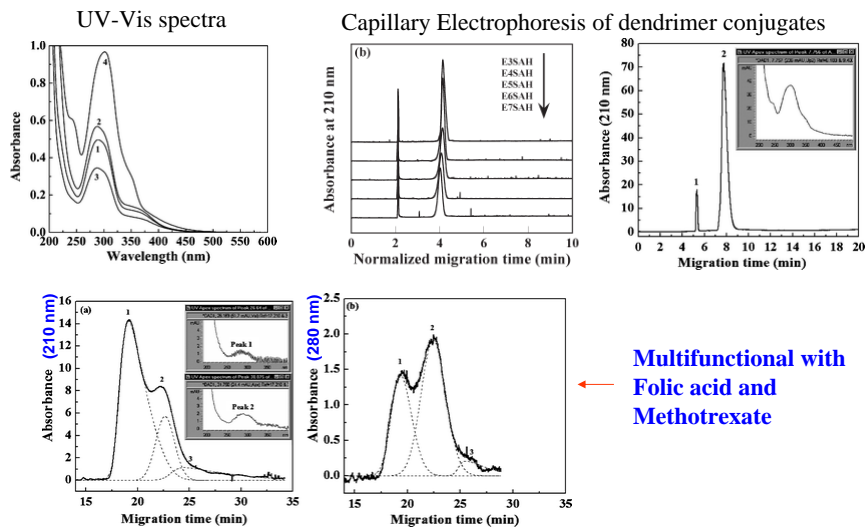
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