

Fate and Effects of Inhaled Nanomaterials: What are the Perceived and Real Risks?

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OUTLINE

Nanotoxicology, some Basics

Dosing the respiratory tract

Nanoparticle biokinetics

Hazard/Risk characterization

Environmental ultrafine particles



Length scales for natural and synthetic structures (above) and some examples of engineered nanomaterials of varying size and shape (below)

From: Casarett & Doull's Toxicology, in press, 2012

NANOTECHNOLOGY

and

THE BRIGHT!

Multiple Applications/Benefits

- Structural Engineering
- Electronics, Optics
- Food and Feed Industry
- Consumer Products
- Energy Technology
- Soil/Water Remediation
- Nanomedicine:
 - therapeutic
 - diagnostic
 - drug delivery
 - cancer
 - nanosensors
 - nanorobotics

THE DARK?

- **Consumer Fears/Perceived Risks**
 - Safety: Potential adverse effects
 - Environmental Contamination
 - Inadvertent Exposure (inhalation, dermal, ingestion)
 - Susceptible Subpopulation
 - Societal Implications



• Nanotoxicology:

Safety/Risk Assessment of engineered Nanomaterials and of Nanotechnology enabled Applications

Risk = f (hazard; exposure)



Conceptual Depiction of Factors for Considering Dose-dependent Transitions in Determinants of Toxicity



From: Slikker Jr., et al. 2004



All things are poison, and nothing is without poison; only the dose permits something not to be poisonous

The Dose makes the poison

Paracelsus, 1493 - 1541

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Nano TiO₂ repeated bolus instillation into mouse: 7.5 mg into mouse = <u>17.5 grams</u> into human nose!

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Some Headlines in the Popular Press:

Nanoparticles (NPs)

kill workers

cause cancer

damage DNA

soften your brain

cause lung damage

cause genetic damage

in sunscreen cause Alzheimer's?

are carbon nanotubes the next asbestos?

Nanotoxicology - Hype Cycle



Effects and Biokinetics of UFP (1990s)

DPPC/Alb-Dispersed Mitsui Multiwalled Carbon Nanotubes (MWCNTs)



Next five years forecast (2011-2016) for global CNTs market

(compounded annual growth rate)



http://www.nanowerk.com/spotlight

Global CNTs market by industry (2010)



Induction of mesothelioma in p53+/- mouse by intraperitoneal application of multi-wall carbon nanotube

Takagi et al., J. Toxicol. Sci. 33 (No. 1): 105-116, 2008

Carbon nanotubes introduced into the abdominal cavity of mice show asbestos-like pathogenicity in a pilot study

CRAIG A. POLAND, RODGER DUFFIN, IAN KINLOCH, ANDREW MAYNARD, WILLIAM A. H. WALLACE, ANTHONY SEATON, VICKI STONE, SIMON BROWN WILLIAM MACNEE, AND KEN DONALDSON

Nature Nanotechnology/Vol. 3/July 2008

Induction of mesothelioma by a single intrascrotal administration of multi-wall carbon nanotube in intact male Fischer 344 rats *Sakamoto et al, J.Tox. Sci., 34, 65-76, 2009*

MWCNT in Subpleural Tissues, Visceral Pleura and Pleural Space of Mice Following Oro-Pharyngeal Aspiration (80 μg)

From: Mercer et al., 2010



VP: visceral pleura; Mac: alveolar macrophage; Mo: monocyte; Ly: lymph vessel; PS: pleural space



Single Walled Carbon Nanotubes (SWCNTs)



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carbon_nanotube

Carbon nanotube for PTX delivery



From Liu et al., 2008

Nanotube PTX delivery suppresses tumor growth of 4T1 breast cancer mice model



From Liu et al., 2008

Physico-chemical NP Properties of Relevance for Toxicology

Size (aerodynamic, hydrodynamic)	
Size distribution	
Shape	Properties can change
Agglomeration/aggregation	
Density (material, bulk)	-with: method of production
Surface properties: - area (porosity) - charge - reactivity - chemistry (coatings, contaminants) - defects	 storage -when introduced into physiol. media, organism
Solubility/Sol-Rate (lipid, aqueous, in vivo)	
Crystallinity	
Biol. contaminants (e.g. endotoxin)	

Key parameter: Dose!

Particle Number and Particle Surface Area per 10 pg/cm³ Airborne Particles (Unit density particles)

Particle Diameter nm	Particle Number N/cm ³	Particle Surface Area µm²/cm³
=	152 000 000	12 000
5	153,000,000	12,000
20	2,400,00	3,016
250	1,200	240
5,000	0.15	12

Small size, high number per mass, and surface chemistry confer both desirable and undesirable properties.

Detailed Physico-chemical characterization of NP is essential.

Surface Molecules as Function of Particle Size



From Fissan, 2003

Which Dose-Metric?

Percent of Neutrophils in Lung Lavage 24 hrs after Intratrachael Dosing of Ultrafine and Fine TiO₂ in Rats



Particle Mass

VS

Particle Number

Which Dose-Metric?



Dosing the Respiratory Tract Impact of Dose-Rate

Fractional Deposition of Inhaled Particles in the Human Respiratory Tract (ICRP Model, 1994; Nose-breathing)



 Rat: Inhalation vs. Intratracheal Instillation vs. Oro-pharyngeal Aspiration of Nanoparticles (Inhalation: ¹⁹²Ir NP, 20 nm; Instillation + Aspiration: 18 nm ¹⁹⁸Au NP)
 Deposition in Lower Respiratory Tract immediately Post-Exposure, (γ-Camera Pin-Hole Images)



Courtesy: W. Kreyling and M. Semmler-Behnke

Intratracheal Administration of Particles in Rodents





From: Morello et al., 2009

Comparing Responses in the Lung of Rats

when the same Lung Dose of $200 \mu g TiO_2$ Nanoparticles

is administered by **4** hour Inhalation

or by 0.5 second intratracheal Instillation
Rat Lung Lavage 24 hrs post 4 hour Inhalation of TiO2 Nanoparticles (25 nm), Lung Dose ~200 µg

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Rat Lung Lavage 24 hrs post Instillation of 200 µg TiO2 Nanoparticles (25 nm) in Saline



Dose and Dose-Rate Determine Toxicity



Biokinetics and Translocation of Inhaled Nanoparticles



From Exposure-Dose-Response Data to Hazard and Risk Characterization of Inhaled Nanomaterials

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- → Confirmed routes
- --- Potential routes



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Translocation rates are very low!

(Modified from Oberdörster et al., 2005)

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FROM RESPIRATORY TRACT TO BRAIN: POTENTIAL TRANSLOCATION PATHWAYS OF NANOPARTICLES



Olfactory Nerve Translocation Pathway



From: Kandel, Schwartz and Jessel: Principles of Neural Science, 2000

MRI Scan of Olfactory Bulbs (from Turetsky et al., 2003)



Rat, Right Nostril Occlusion Model: Accumulation of Mn in Right and left Olfactory Bulb 24 Hours after Exposure to Ultrafine (~30nm) Mn Oxide Particles (n=3-5, mean+/-SD)



Elder et al, 2006



Elder et al, 2006

Inflammation in the Brain Regions where Mn Signal was Found



Elder et al, 2006

→ Confirmed routes

--> Potential routes

Translocation and Elimination Pathways from Respiratory Tract



GI-tract and kidney as major excretory organs

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Hazard and Risk Characterization

Risk Assessment and Risk Management Paradigm For Engineered Nanoparticles (NPs)



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Concepts of Nanomaterial Toxicity Testing:

Considering Exposure and Hazard for Risk Assessment



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Subchronic Carbon Nanotube/Nanofiber Inhalation Studies in Rats

Inhalation Toxicity of Multiwall Carbon Nanotubes in Rats Exposed for 3 Months

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Subchronic 13-Week Inhalation Exposure of Rats to Multiwalled Carbon Nanotubes: Toxic Effects Are Determined by Density of Agglomerate Structures, Not Fibrillar Structures

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Ninety-Day Inhalation Toxicity Study With A Vapor Grown Carbon Nanofiber in Rats

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TOXICOLOGICAL SCIENCES 128(2), 449-460 (2012)

SEM Images: MWCNT Used in Pauluhn (2010) and Ma-Hock et al. (2009) Inhalation Studies



Aerosol Collected from Test Atmosphere



Carbon Nanofiber (CNF) Aerosol of 90-Day Rat Inhalation Study, DeLorme et al., 2012



90-Day Rat Inhalation Studies with MWCNT and CNF, Exposure-Dose-Response Comparison

	Ma-Hock et al. (2009)	Pauluhn (2010)	DeLorme et al. (2012) CNF (VGCF-H)	
<u>Material</u>	MWCNT (Nanacyl NC7000)	MWCNT (Baytubes)		
Characterization				
Length/diameter, nm	100-10,000 /5-15 nm	200-1000/10 nm	1000-14000/40 -350 nr	
Impurities	9.6% Al; <0.2% Co	~0.5% Co	0.003% Fe	
BET surf area, m ² /g	250 - 300	255	13.8	
Packing dens, g/cm ³	0.043	0.11 - 0.31	0.077	
Exposure				
Conctr, mg/m ³	0; 0.1; 0.5; 2.5	0, 0.1; 0.4; 1.5; 6	0.54; 2.5; 25	
Ret. Lung Burden	No	Yes	No	
Response			and a first second	
Lung weight (90 days)	+ 1%; + 23%; + 81% (males)	+0; +12; +27; +61% (males)	-2; +8; +22 (males)	
BAL-PMN (90 days)	Not reported	~0.5; 3.8; 13; 19%	1.4; 2.7; 11%	
Evaluation				
NOAEL	No	$100 \mu g/m^3$	540 $\mu g/m^3$	
LOAEL	100 μg/m ³	400 μg/m ³	2500 μg/m ³	

Approach for Risk Assessment Based on Subchronic (3 months) Rodent Inhalation Studies

- subchronic multi-concentration inhalation studies with CNT and CNF in rats and results of **"positive" and "negative" reference materials** as benchmarks
- select sensitive endpoints of response (quantitative, functional preferable)
- establish **Exposure Dose Response** relationships by different dosemetrics (*particle-mass, -surface area, -volume, -number*)
- establish: <u>hazard</u> ranking against pos. and neg. control, by different dosemetrics <u>risk:</u> subchronic "safe" level for rat: BMD analysis using NOAEL; LOAEL
- estimate **chronic** "safe" effect level for rat (*based on accumulated lung burden*)
- use dosimetric extrapolation to estimate **HEC** (*Human Equivalent Concentration*)

Comparing MWCNTand CNF results with

two other subchronic rat inhalation studies:

ultrafine carbon black *negative*

nickel subsulfide

k negative - Benchmark materials positive **Dose-Response relationships of 3-month inhalation studies in rats with MWCNT, CNF and CB** – Lung weight dose-responses based on retained lung burden expressed as mass, surface area and volume –





Hazard Ranking of Different (Nano)-Materials Based on Different Metrics and Steepest Slope of Exposure-Dose-Response Relationships from Subchronic Rat Inhalation Studies (endpoint: lungweight increase)

<u>Metric</u>	Ranking				
Exposure Conc.:	$CNF = CB < MWCNT-P = MWCNT-MH < Ni_3S_2$				
Retained Lung Burden:					
Mass:	$CNF < CB < MWCNT-P = MWCNT-MH < Ni_3S_2$				
Surface area:	$CB < CNF = MWCNT-P = MWCNT-MH < Ni_3S_2$				
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Three Hazard Groupings:

Low: $CB; TiO_2 \longrightarrow < 0.3 \%$ lungwt. incr./cm²Medium:MWCNT $\longrightarrow 0.3 - 1 \%$ lungwt. incr./cm²High: $SiO_2; Ni_3S_2 \longrightarrow >1 \%$ lungwt. incr./cm²

Dosimetric Extrapolation of Inhaled Particles from Rats to Humans



Assumption: If retained dose is the same as in rats and humans, then effects will be the same

Human Health Risk of MWCNT/CNF OEL Estimates Based on Subchronic Rodent Inhalation

Reference	Basis	Endpoint	Extrapolation Method	OEL μg/m ³	Author Comments
NIOSH, 2013	Pauluhn, 2010 Ma-Hock, 2009 DeLorme, 2012	Histopath. Inflammation; fibrosis; septal thickening	BMD analysis, dosimetric adjustment (MPPD), deposited, retained dose; HEC based on alveolar surface area; assessment factors: 20 - 60	2 (P) 1 (MH) 1 (DL)	Limit of quantitation: 7 µg/m ³
Aschberger, et al., 2010	Pauluhn, 2010 Ma-Hock, 2009	NOAEL (P) LOAEL (MH)	REACH Guidance; no correction for species differences in deposition and retention; assessment factors for LOAEC and inter-species extrapolation	2 (P) 1 (MH)	No definite conclusion; need for exposure data
Pauluhn, 2010	Baytubes® Pauluhn, 2010a,b	Volumetric overloading of AM clearance	MPP dosimetric extrapolation, avoiding volume overload; T ¹ / ₂ human 1 year; normalization to bodyweight; no assessment factors	50	Consistent with MAK approach of ½ subchronic rat NOAEL; Baytubes [®] behave similar to PSP (carbon black)
This analysis (preliminary)	Pauluhn, 2010 Ma-Hock, 2009 DeLorme, 2012	Increase in lung weight	BMD analysis; dosimetric extrapolation (MPPD) to BMCL; HEC based on Gregoratto et al. particle lung retention model using mass/ lung weight metric; extrapolat. to chronic exposure; assessment factors: 12 - 16	4 (P)1 (MH)2 (DL)	MPPD estimation of deposited and retained lung burden for Ma-Hock <i>et al.</i> and DeLorme et al.

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2011





REL: Fine: 2.5 mg/m³ Nano: 300 μg/m

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2013 Occupational Exposure to Carbon Nanotubes and Nanof bers



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health



REL: 1 μg/m³

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Desirable: Results of chronic inhalation study

Idealized Size Distribution of Traffic-Related Particulate Matter

(EPA, 2004)


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Source emission inventory for South Coast Air Basin surrounding L.A.:

> Primary ultrafine particle emission rate: <u>13 tonnes per day</u>

> > (Cass et al, 2000)

Chain aggregates of ultrafine particles from stage 7. *a* shows a short chain with low *Df* and *b* a longer chain with high *Df*. The sample was taken on Feb 20, 2001, at the San Jacinto Air Quality Management District (AQMD) site.



Xiong, C. and Friedlander, S. K. (2001) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 98, 11851-11856

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Typical Roadway Data, Minnesota

Kittelson et al., 2001



Powerplants: Ultrafine Particle Size Distribution at 10, 20, 30 and 50 X Dilution Air Ratios (Exhaust temp. 450° K; residence time 80 sec) (Chang et al., 2003)



3-D Printing



Printed medical model

Printed acoustic guitar

Ultrafine Emission Rates from 3-D Printers Using Different Feedstocks

