

IUPAP SUNAMCO Commission

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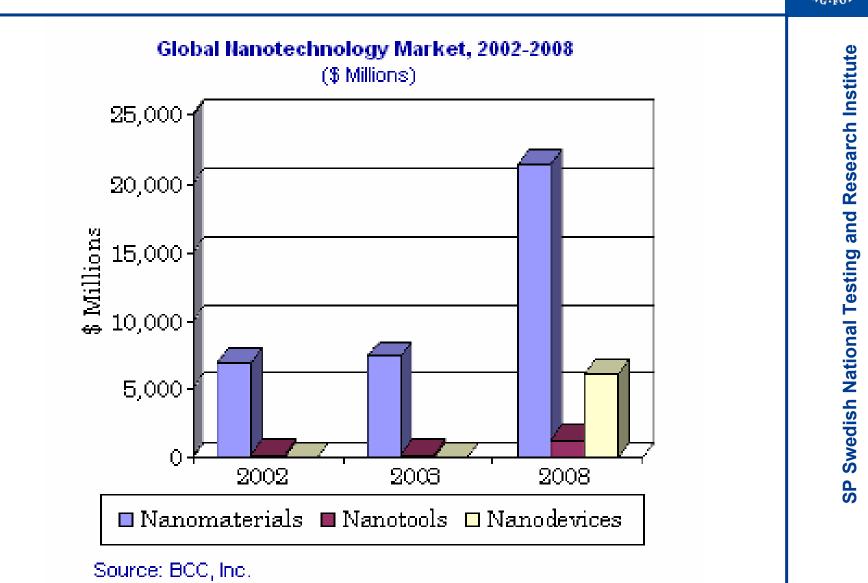
Proposed actions IUPAP and nanostandardisation

Identify interest in IUPAP to work actively in nanostandardisation work:

- IUPAP Commissions and affiliated Commissions
- IUPAP Working Groups
- IUPAP SUNAMCO itself
- From Minutes of latest IUPAP Council & Commission Chairs meeting (London 24 25 February 2006):
- " nanostandardization, where IUPAC was involved, but where there was no IUPAP link to the ISO working groups. Council endorsed the need for IUPAP representation on this."

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TOXIC SUBSTANCES

NANOTECHNOLOGY

Manipulating matter at the nanoscale is now a commercial reality. Nanoscale zinc oxides are used in sunscreen lotions and scratch-resistant glass. Digital camera displays, high resolution printer inks, and high-capacity computer hard drives are among the available products of nanoscience and nanoengineering. In this article, the authors offer general observations regarding the environmental implications of nanotechnology and whether and how existing regulatory controls are suitable to address them. When it does come, according to the authors, environmental regulation almost certainly will look first to the existing statutory framework. Unless nanotechnology confronts lawmakers with urgent and troublesome surprises, the basic set of tools will be what is available now.

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"A number of new products were launched on the market following a relatively short phase of research and development. To effectively determine both the long-term properties and the general reliability of these products and their effects on consumers and the environment, all the involved parties must endeavour now to gather experience and analyse data. Clearly, this must be done since –as in any other new technological development – specialist circles and society at large have neither solid knowledge derived from the past nor a suitable method for definitively assessing the consequences of any changes that may arise in the

future"



A scoping study to identify hazard data needs for addressing the risks presented by nanoparticles and nanotubes

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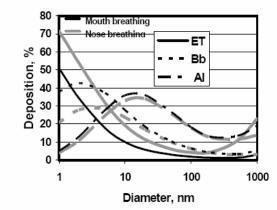


Figure 2.1 Regional deposition of inhaled particles with diameters between 1nm and 1000nm for nose and mouth breathing in the extrathoracic airways (ET) bronchial airways (Bb) and alveolar region (AI) during breathing at rest as predicted by ICRP (Yeh *et al*, 1996).

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Pre-normative R&D in nanotechnology





• Much has been said about the predicted **spectacular growth** in nanotechnological production in the coming years.

• In order to sustain such growth, a considerable investment in technological and manufacturing/business **infrastructure** is needed.

• Potentially large **risk to industry** of unnecessary costs and duplicate work if one does not follow the international standardisation development



Standardisation is essential

It is essential to have an internationally valid standardisation of nanotechnological substances and materials as well as a uniform nomenclature. Only if the various classes of substance are precisely defined and everyone is "talking about the same thing" can the results of the risk assessments of different institutions of countries be compared, thus facilitating progress in the clarification of potential risks. Without a uniform "language", neither regulative measures nor underwriting formulations ("wordings") are possible. Without standardisation, even the labelling of products becomes an extremely difficult undertaking. If there were standardisation one might even consider the value of disclosure obligations for companies dealing with products that contain nanomaterials. These would enable insurers to recognise the presence of such products in their portfolios.

Nanotechnology,

Small matters, many unknowns

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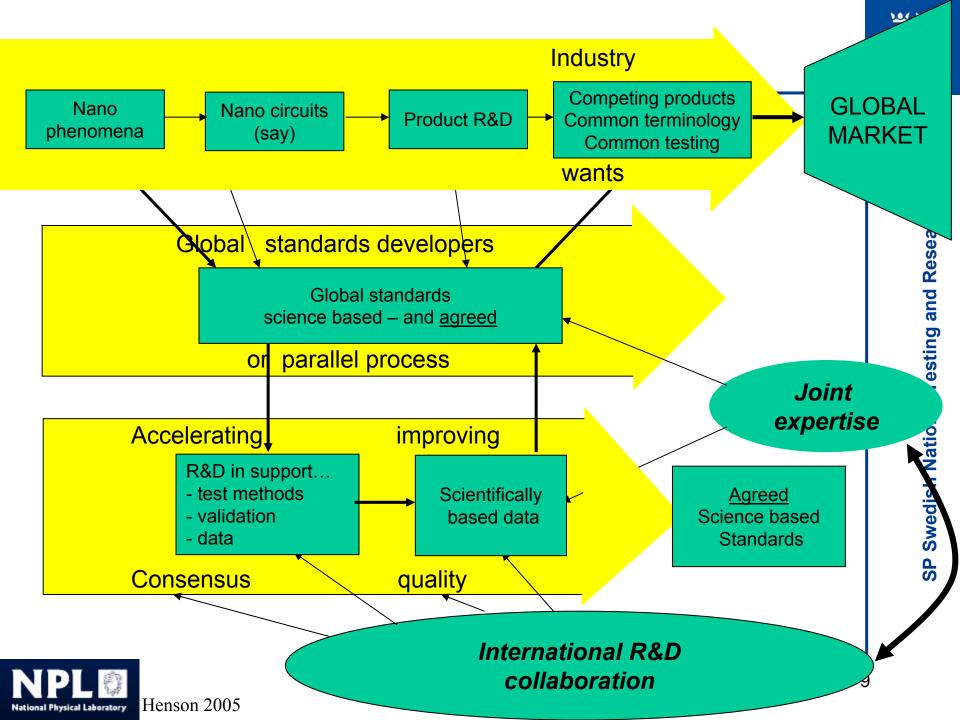


Unique opportunity

Proactive:

- standardisation development
- developing and introducing standardised characterisation methods in nanotechnology
- before national and regional positions become fixed.

Pre-normative R&D in nanotechnology





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Key recommendations and actions deemed essential:

- Establish a **collaborative platform** to promote proactively international cooperation in pre-normative R&D in nanotechnology
- Participate in core groups active in projects proposed to EU
 Commission for nanotechnology standardisation and related research
- Contribute actively to on-going national, regional, European and **international standardisation and research** in nanotechnology



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CEN/BT/WG166 "Nanotechnologies"



- Terminology & nomenclature
- Measurement & characterisation of nanosystems
- Health, safety and environmental impact
- Product and process standards

ISO/TC229 WG 1

<u>Title:</u> Terminology and Nomenclature

Nanostandardisation

<u>Scope</u>: To define and develop uniform terminology and nomenclature in the field of nanotechnologies. It is intended to facilitate communications to ensure common understanding among interested parties.

ISO/TC229 WG 2

Title: Measurement and Characterization

Scope:

Standardization of metrology and test methods (including reference materials) which is used to characterize nanomaterials and nano-structures from the aspect of physical il properties.

ISO/TC229 WG 3

<u>Title</u>: Health, Safety, and Environmental Aspects of Nanotechnologies

<u>Scope</u>: To develop standards in the areas of health, safety, and environmental aspects of nanotechnologies including: occupational, environmental, and public exposure and monitoring; engineering controls, personal protective equipment, and others measures to assure safety of workers, researchers, and the public; epidemiological and environmental surveillance protocols; human and ecological biokinetics and toxicity; disposal, dispersion, and waste treatment of nanoengineered materials; as well as methodologies, data quality, and data analysis for risk assessment.

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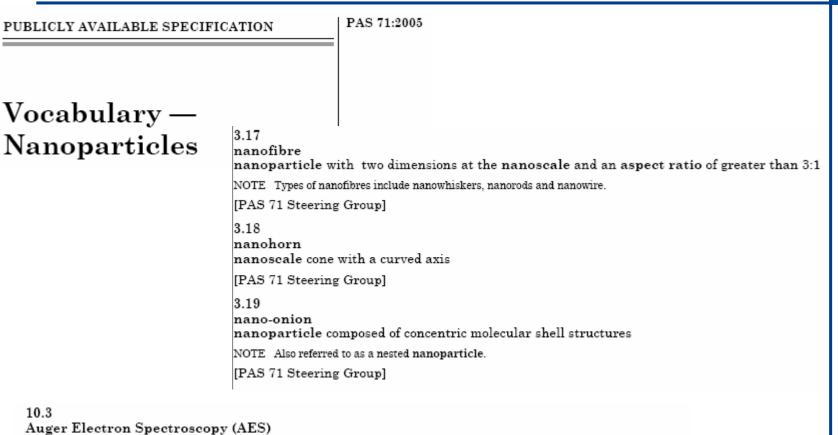
Nanotechnologies

TC 229

International Organization for Standardization



Nano Terminology & Nomenclature



technique in which an electron spectrometer is used to measure the energy distribution of Auger electrons emitted from a surface

NOTE AES instruments can achieve lateral resolutions as low as 5 nm.

[BS ISO 18115, Surface chemical analysis - Vocabulary]

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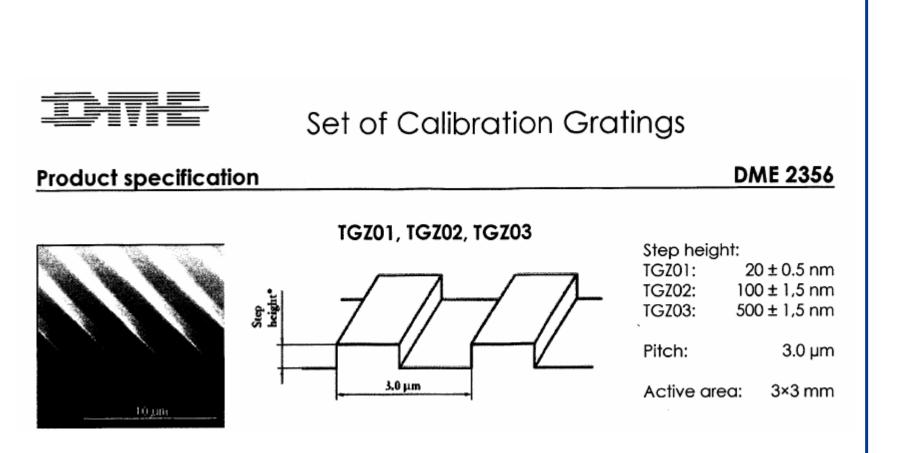
BET analysis

characterization technique based on the model developed by Brunauer, Emmet and Teller that allows the surface area of powders to be determined by gas adsorption

NOTE Typically nitrogen or carbon dioxide is used but gases such as krypton or argon may be used for low surface area materials because of their greater sensitivity (mass gain per unit area).

[PAS 71 Steering Group]







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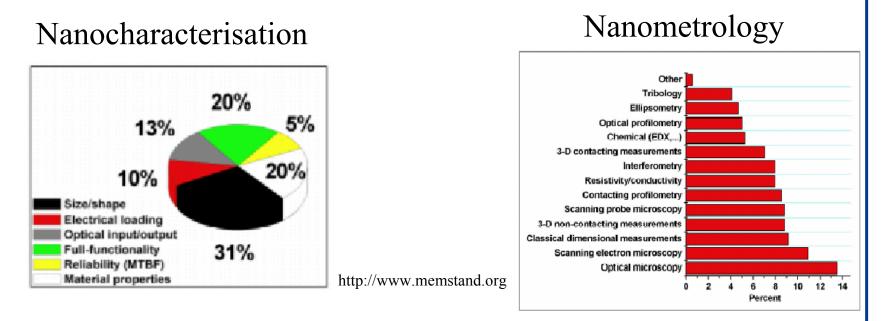


Table 1 Matrix of nanotechnological objects and metrological methods

Metrology	mass	optics	electricity	pН
Object				
Np/Nt/Nf-physical properties	x	X	x	x
Nscoatsfilm for sensors/actuators/electronics	x	x	X	X
etc				

