



Nanomaterials :Origins of the Perturbations of biological activity in the environment

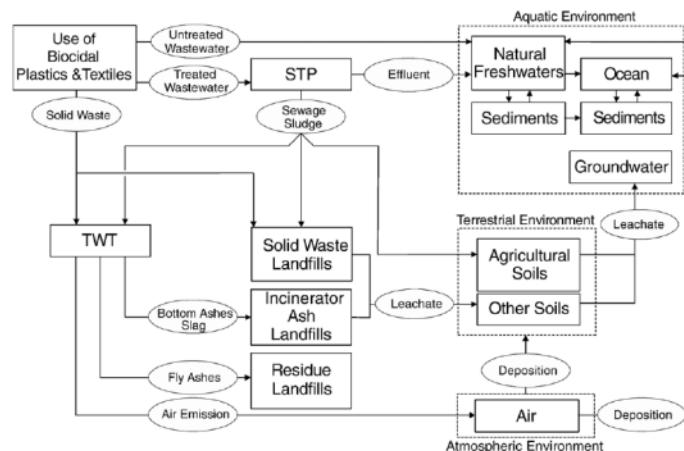
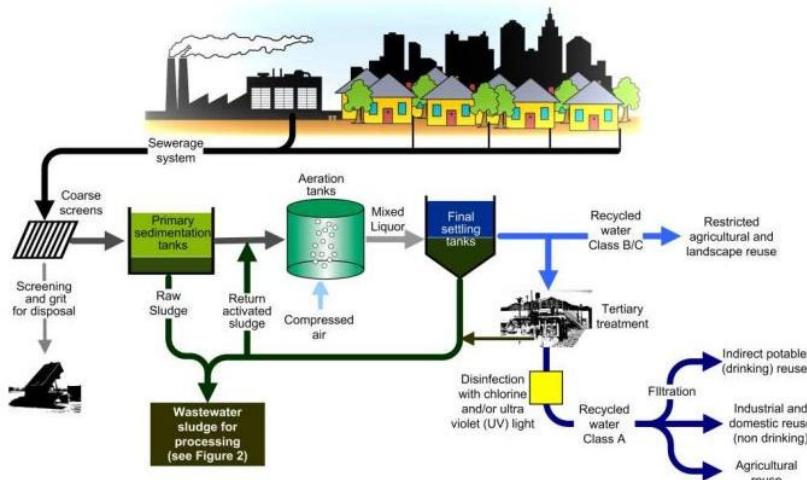
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Nanomaterials are present in our life:



Blaser, S. A. et al., Science of the Total Environment (2008).



Targeted National Sewage sludge Survey Statistical Analysis Report (Released in Jan 2009)

- 74 plants across the States
- Total metal contents
- Pharmaceuticals, steroids, and hormones

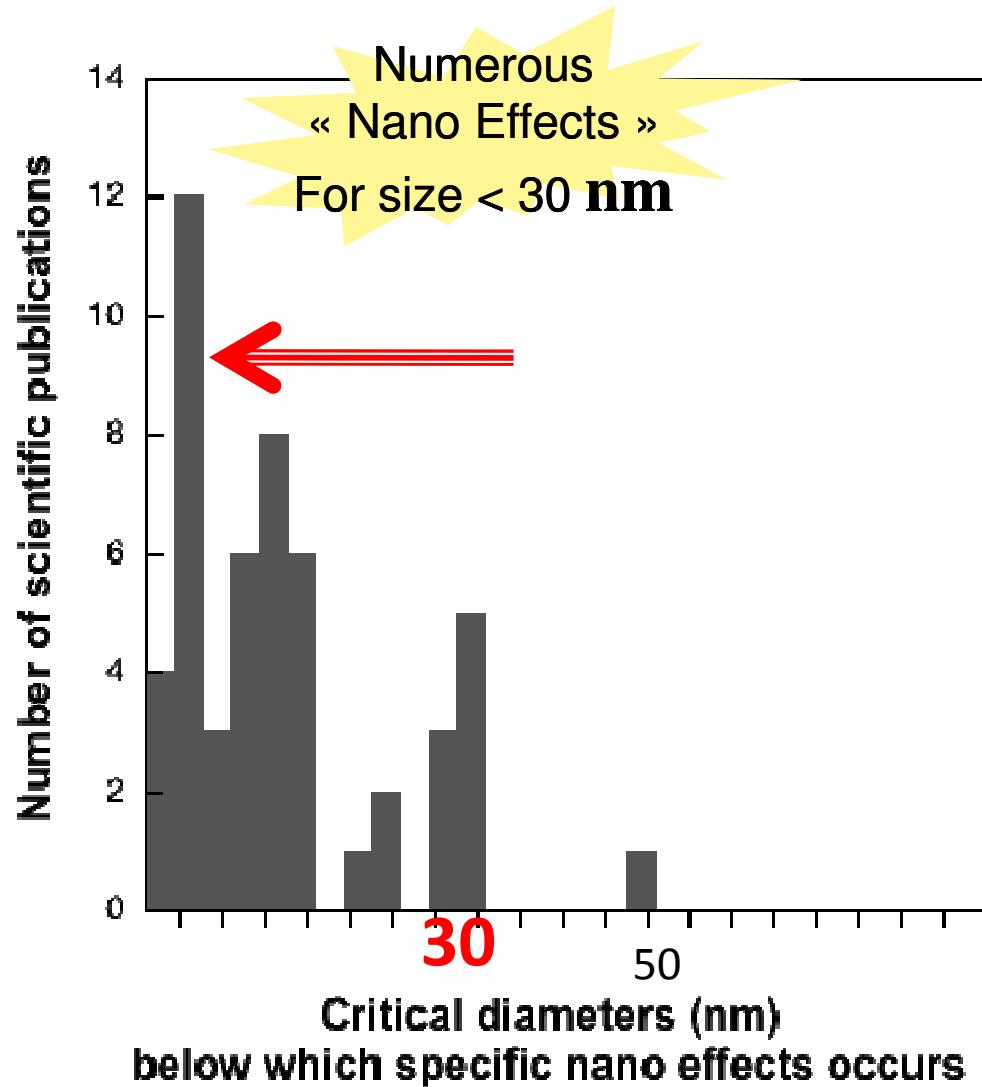
Sludge ID 68349 (from Midwest region) Elemental Analysis

Element	(mg kg ⁻¹)	Mg	13500
Ag	856	Mn	1070
Al	57300	Na	6080
Ca	98900	P	57200
Cu	1720	Ti	4510
Fe	51000	Zn	1530

What are the Specificities of the NM

**1st s :inorganic
NM are in
majoritycrystalli-
zed**

**2nd: The
physicalproperti-
es are present in
majority for size
< ~30 nm**

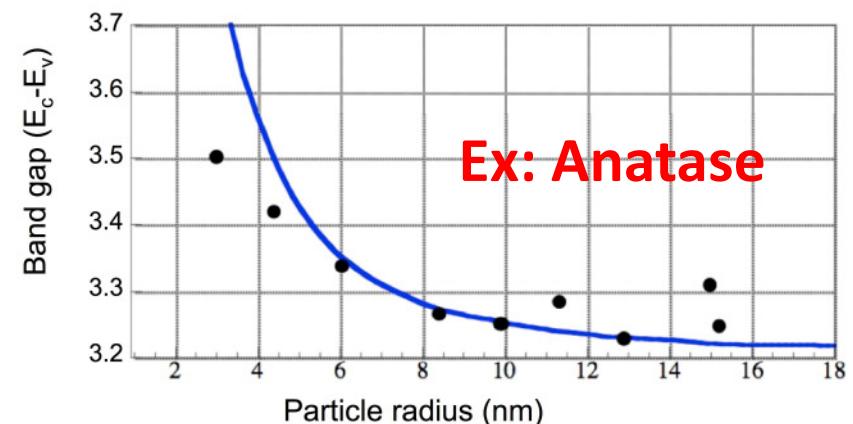
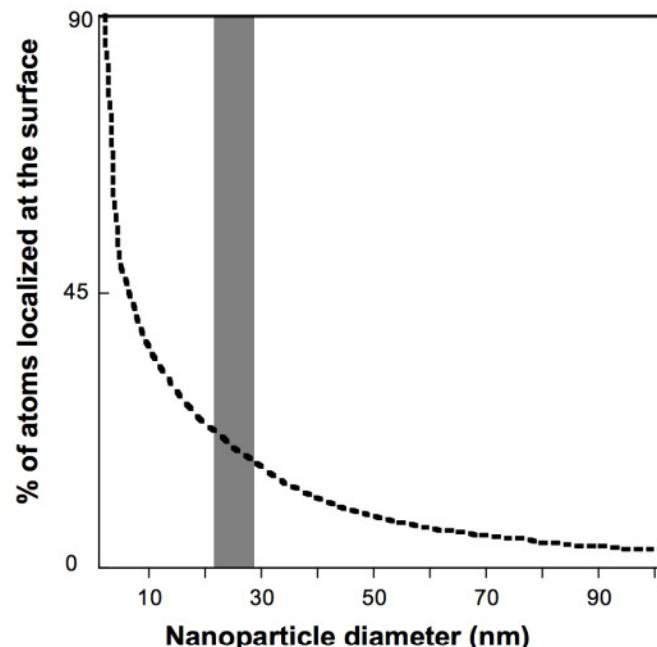
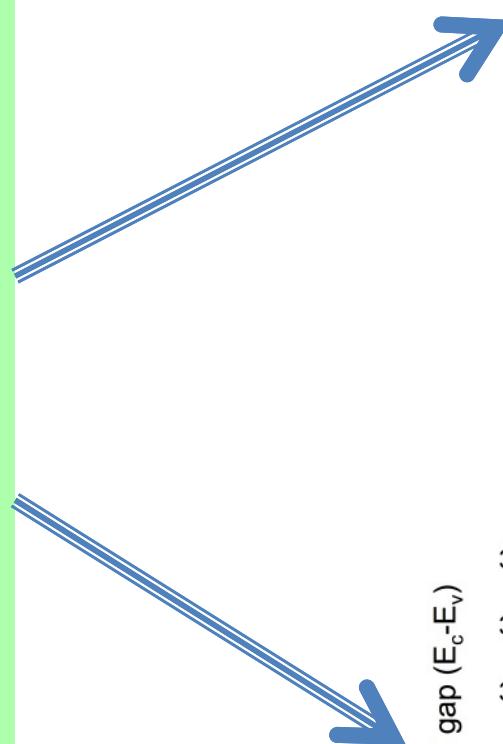


M.Auffan et al., NATURE nano, 09- 2009

Specific properties

3rd: the surface atom number increases as size decreases

4 th: redox properties are size dependant (ex TiO₂, Ag°, MoS₂)



Almquist C.B. and Biswas P., "Role of Synthesis Method and Particle Size of Nanostructured TiO₂ on Its Photoactivity", Journal of Catalysis 212(2) 145

Case of CeO₂

8

10-nm

F.Zhang et al. Surface Science 563 (2004) 74-82;
M. Fernandez-Garcia et al. ChemRev 2004, 104, 4063-4104

Specific properties

5th: The surface excess energy depends on the size and morphology of the NM

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**nanomaterials
are metastable**

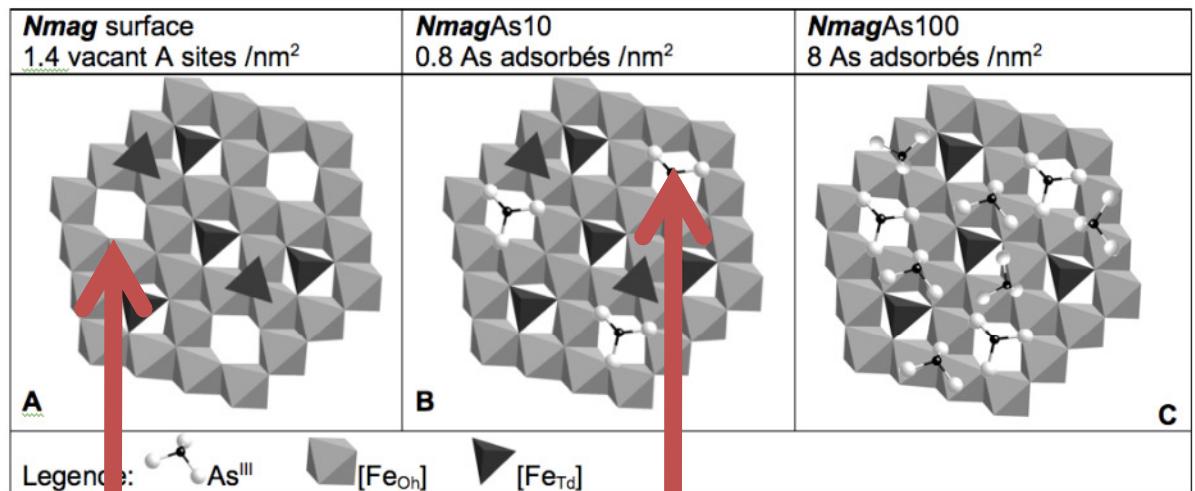
**In the case of AlOOH
the face (010) is
important but « not
very active » the
faces (101) and (100)
will be very active**

Jolivet J.P., et al..... "Size tailoring of oxidized nanoparticles by precipitation in aqueous medium. A semi-quantitative modelling", J. Mater. Chem. 14 3281 - 3288 (2004)

Specific properties

6th: The large surface excess energy of some faces could have as origin the existence of vacant sites as the size decreases.

Brice-Profeta S. et al...., J. Magn. Magn. Mater. 288 354 (2005).



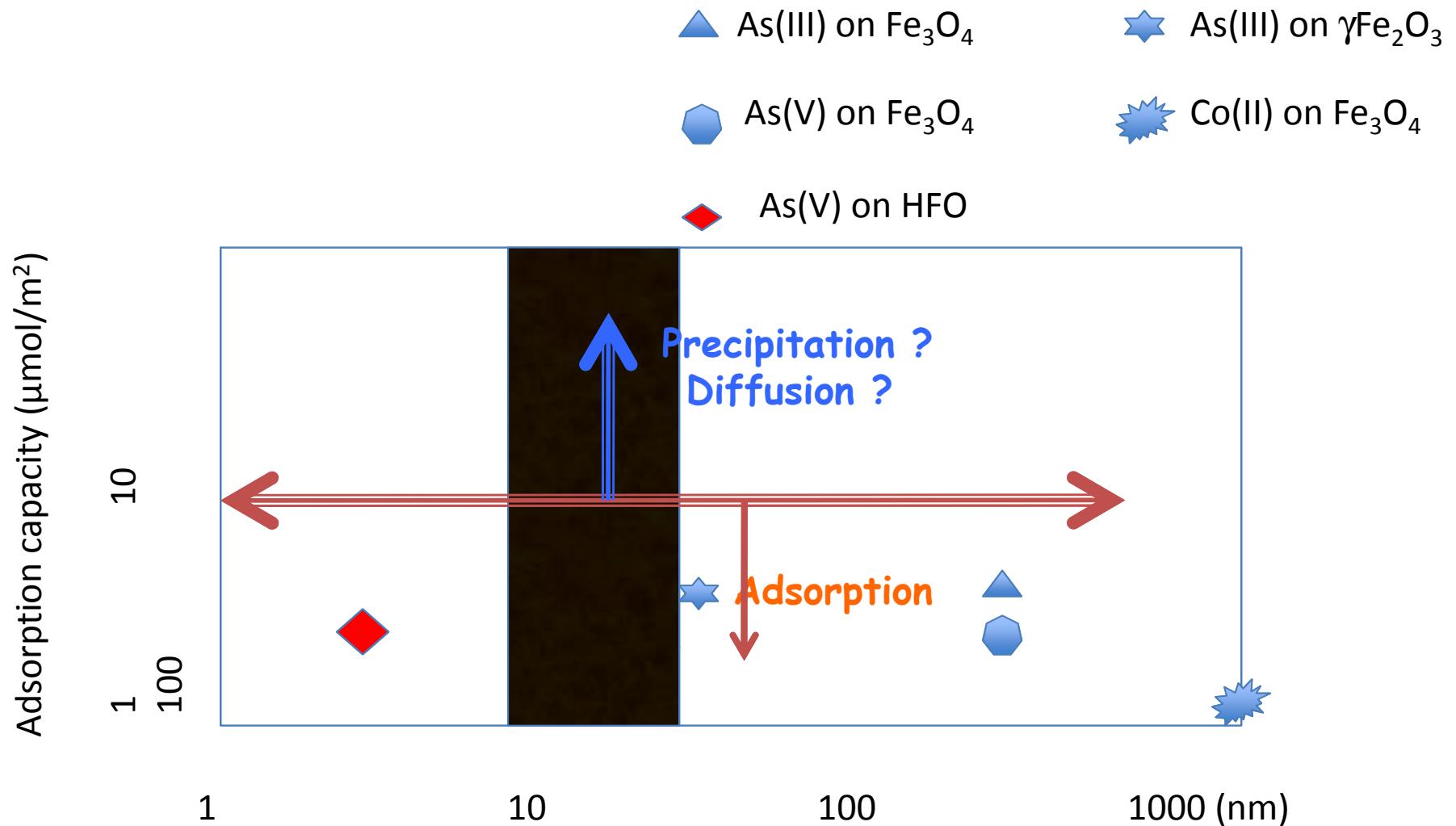
New ad(ab)-sorption sites

Increasing of Tetrahedral lacuna

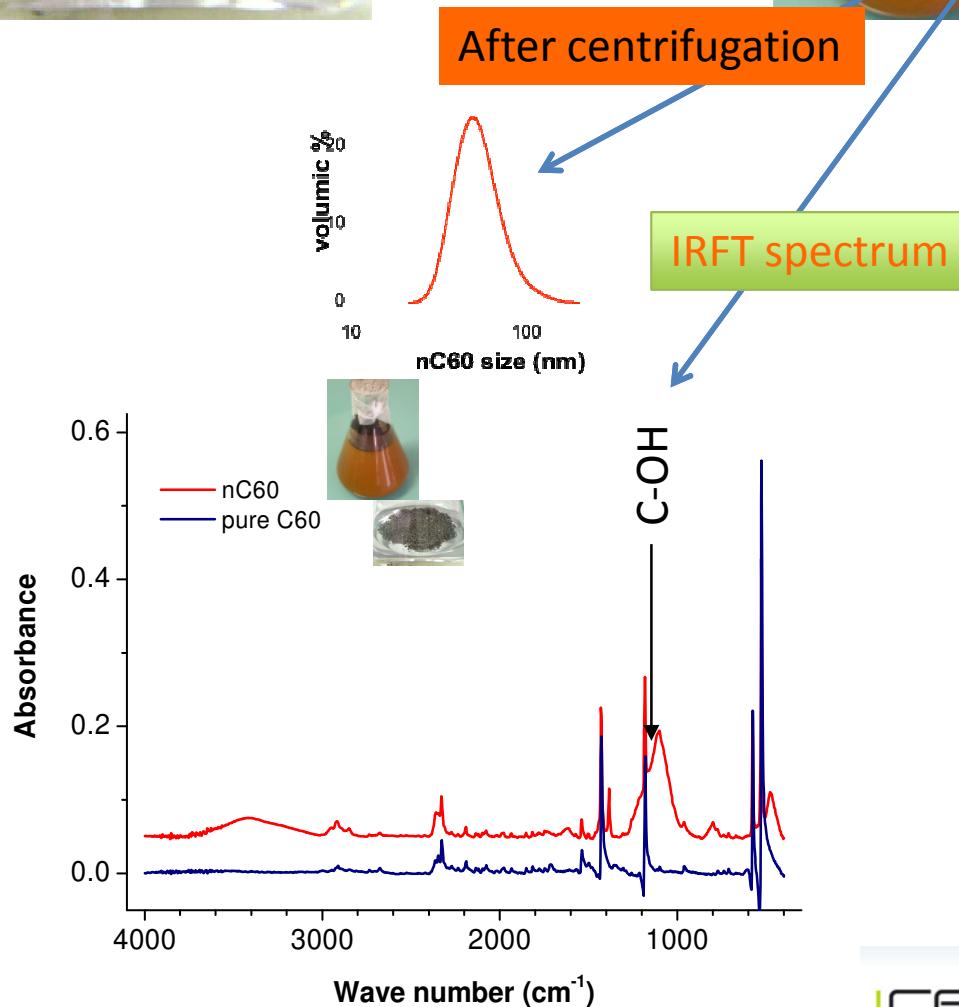
M.Auffan et al., NATURE nano, 09- 2009 (and following presentation)

M. Auffan et al, Langmuir 2008

Strong increase of the retention of As(III, V) and Co(II) onto Fe oxides vs size except for amorphous materials as HFO.



7th: The hydration of fullerenes C₆₀ transforms them from ROS quencher to ROS producer under UV light.

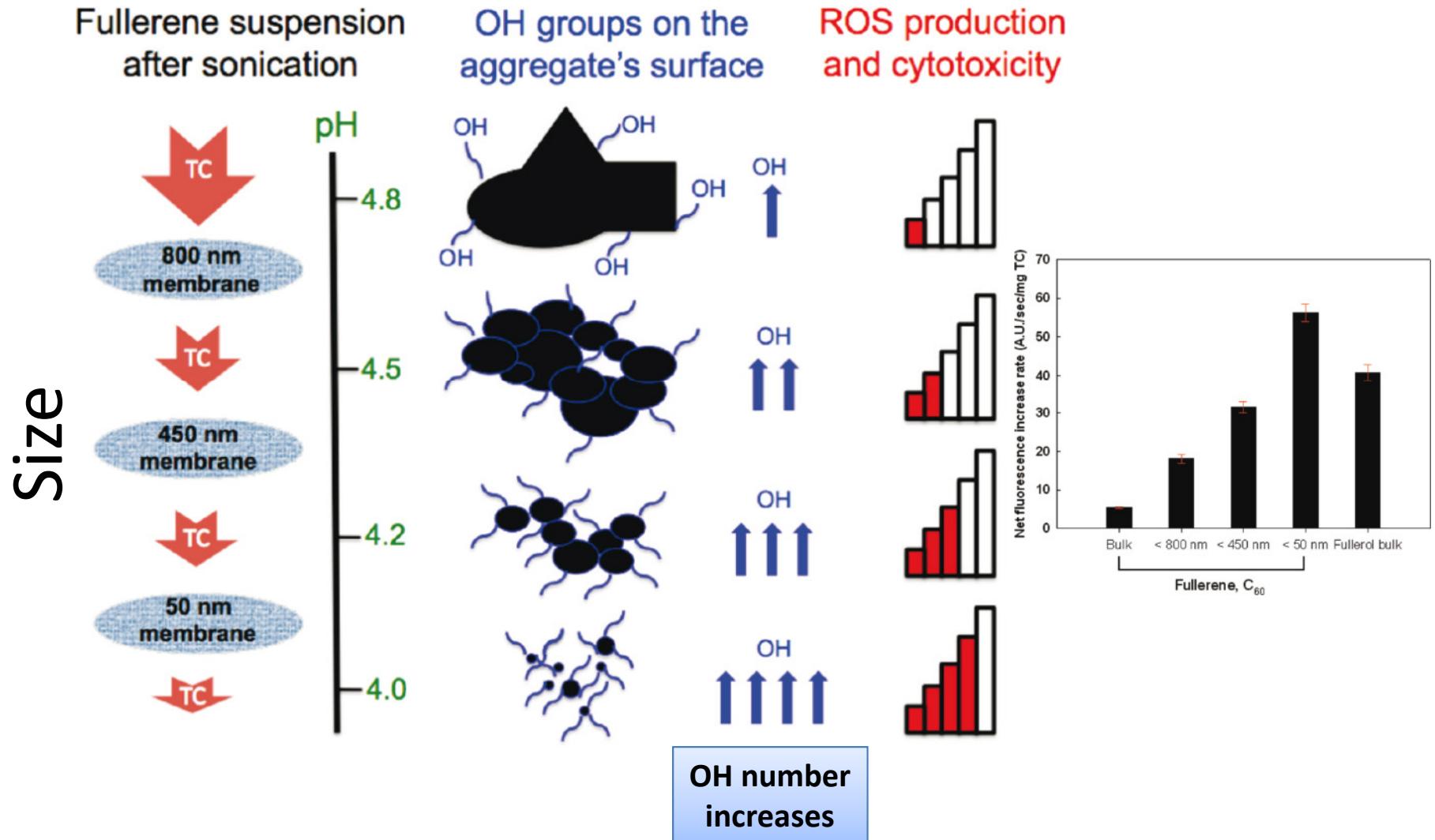


*Labille et al, Env Pollution 2010
Auffane et al; ES and T 2010*

The production of singlet oxygen depends on the fractal structure of the Aggregates and Yield Quantum

M.E Hotze et al...Langmuir 2010, 26 (13) 11170-11175

Schematic mechanism of ROS production and toxicity vs aggregation state of C₆₀



So-Ryong Chae et al...ACS Nano 2010. CEINT

8th: Dissolution Ag°, ZnO, CdSe,CeO₂...Fe(I II) vs Fe(II)

$$\ln K_b = \ln K_{sp} + \frac{\frac{2\tau W/p}{3RT}}{(\gamma/l)}$$

Crystal Solubility

Solubility product

Characteristic length

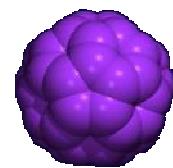
Mean Surface free energy

This equation is correct for micrometric crystal
For nanometric crystal, defects, strains, vacancies,
non homogeneous values this equation is no
longer valid.

C.Fan et al, *Geochim Cosmochim Acta* 70 (2006) 3820-3829

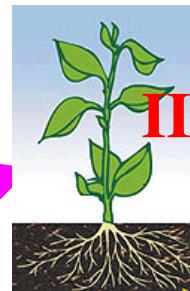
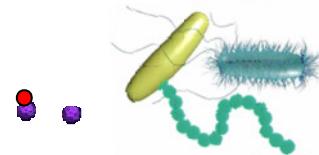
Transfer and Transformation before reaching Living Media:

Transformation
from products:
speciation, surface
properties and stability

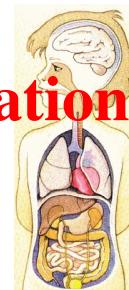


transfer
diffusion

bioavailability



III. Biodegradation
Toxicity



*ionic strength
pH*
coagulation

adsorption

Organic
molecules
pollutants

aggregation

Interaction with colloids

Transfer

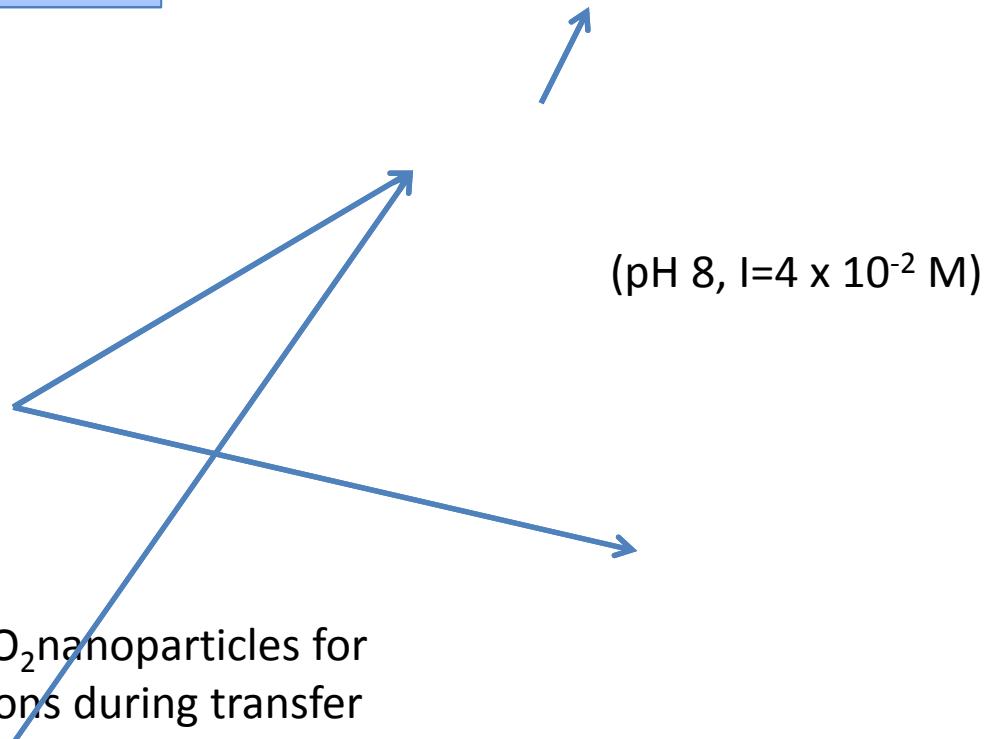
Porous media:

Biofilms; Sediments

Transfer and aggregation in porous media (sand)

Aggregation of TiO₂ within the porous media

Case of TiO₂



Breakthrough curves of TiO₂ nanoparticles for different ionic concentrations during transfer in sand column.

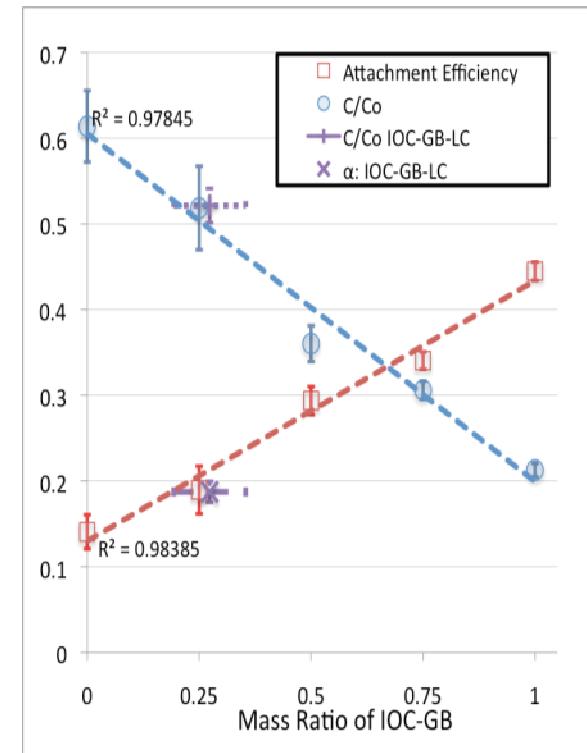
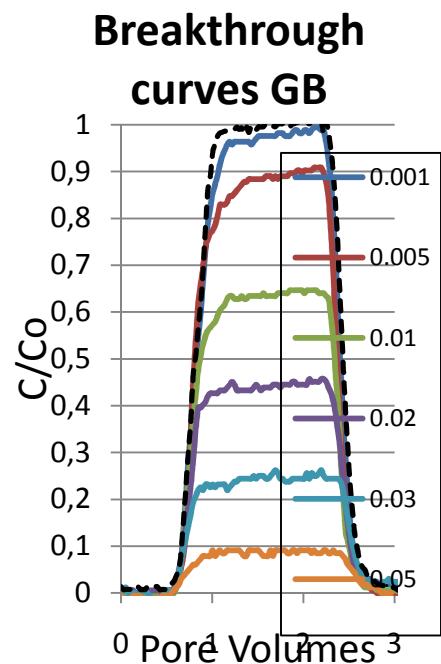
It depends on the aggregation

The affinity of TiO₂ - TiO₂ >> TiO₂ - Sand
pH = 6, I = 10⁻³ M

N. Solovitch et al, ES and T 2010

Transfer and diffusion in porous media

Case of Nano Ag°

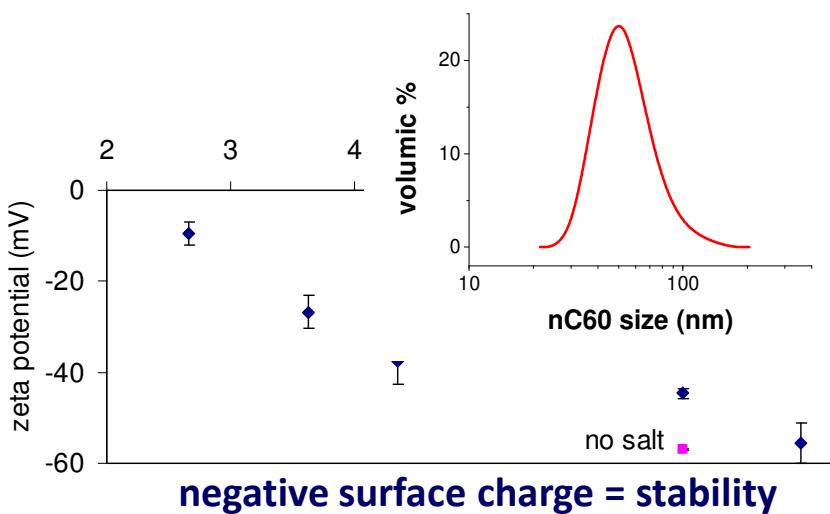


Sand and FeOOH

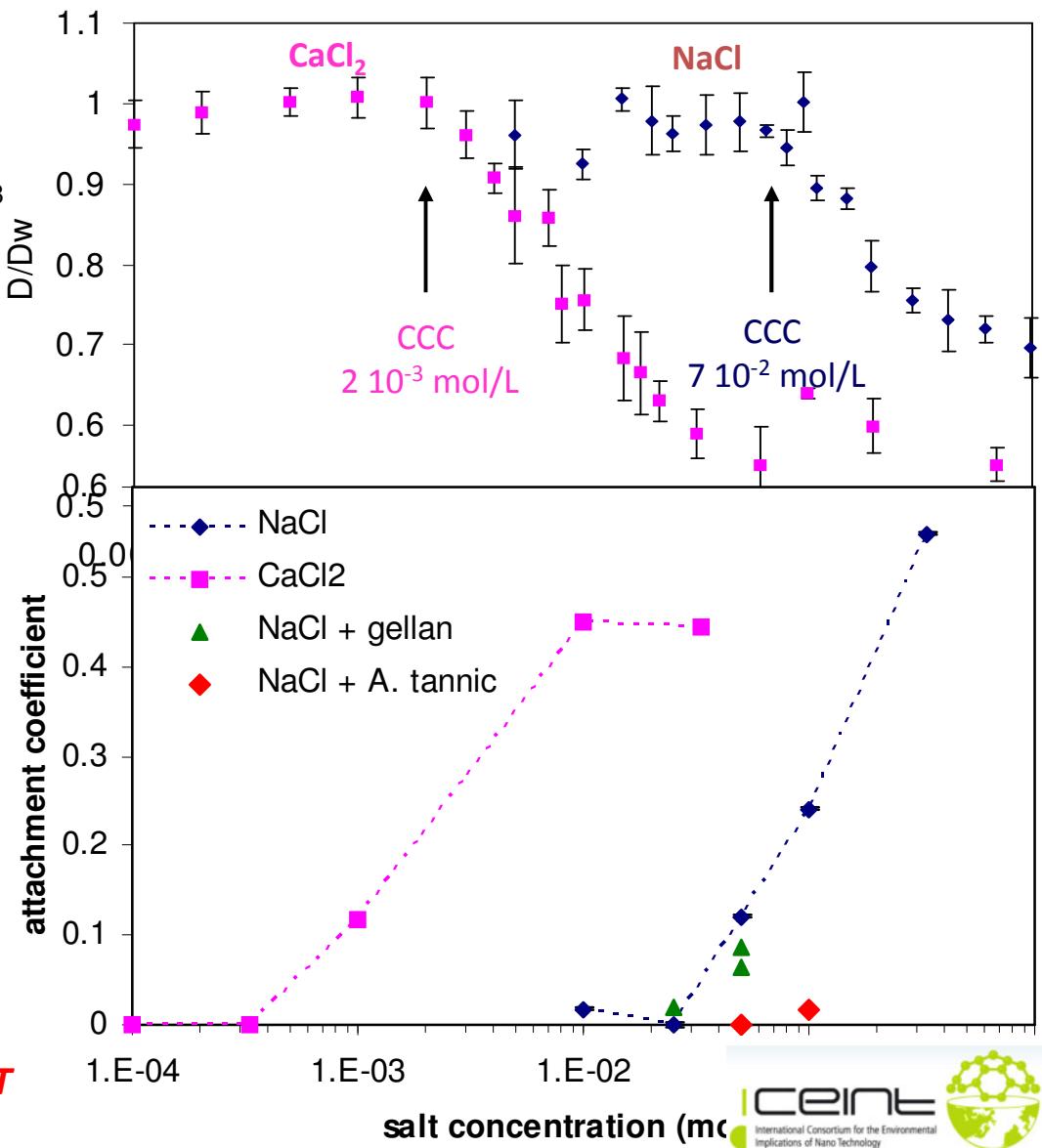
The affinity of Ag° for porous media
Increases as FeOOH concentration increases

Shihong Lin et al 2010, Duke; CEINT

nOH-C60 mobility according interactions with molecules and salts



Lecoanet et al., ES&T 2004.; Labille et al,
Nanoscience Vol 4 2010, Espinasse et al., ES&T
2007

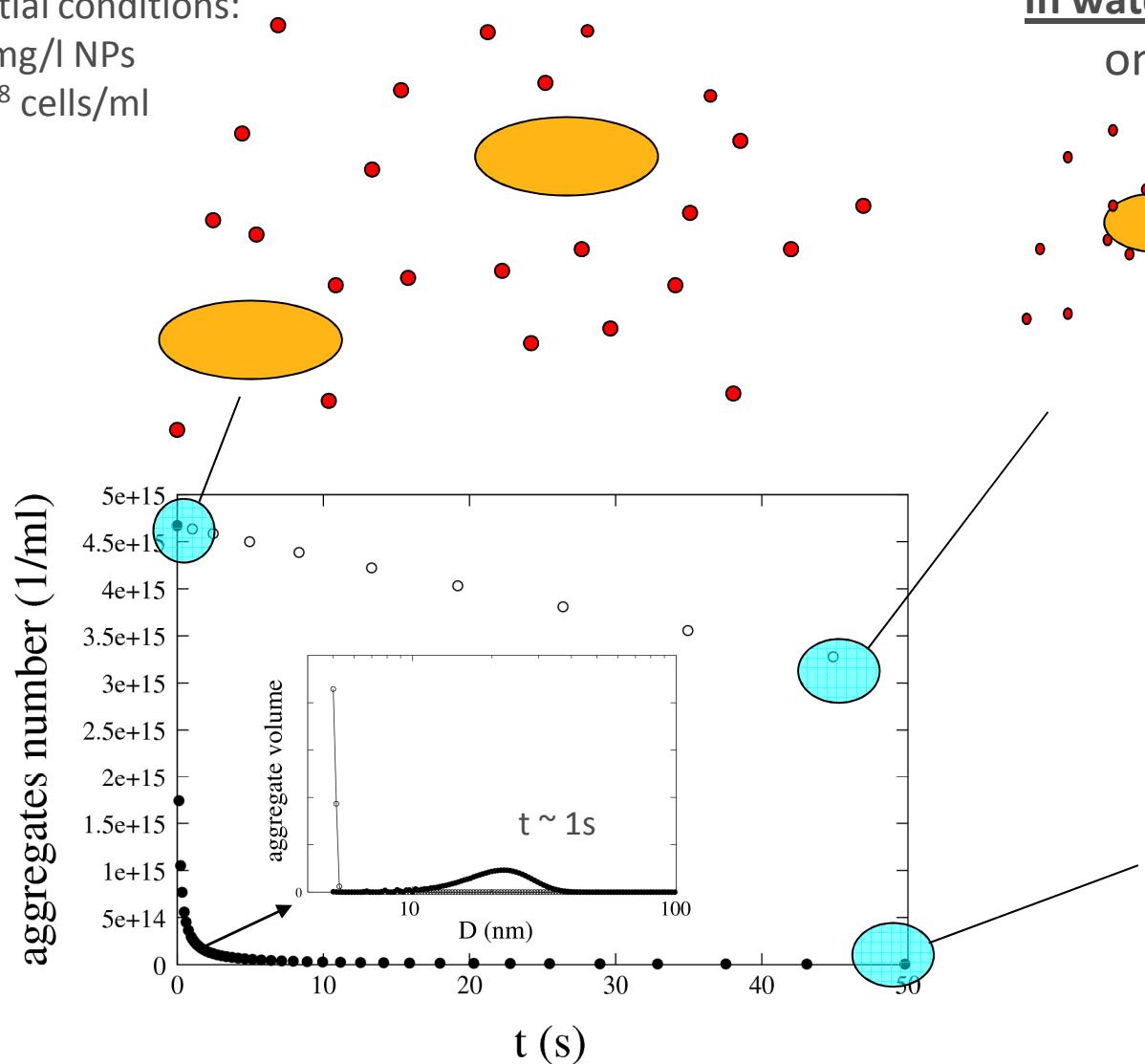


Aggregation kinetic vs adsorption onto biological surface: CeO₂ + salt + cells

Initial conditions:

3 mg/l NPs

10⁸ cells/ml



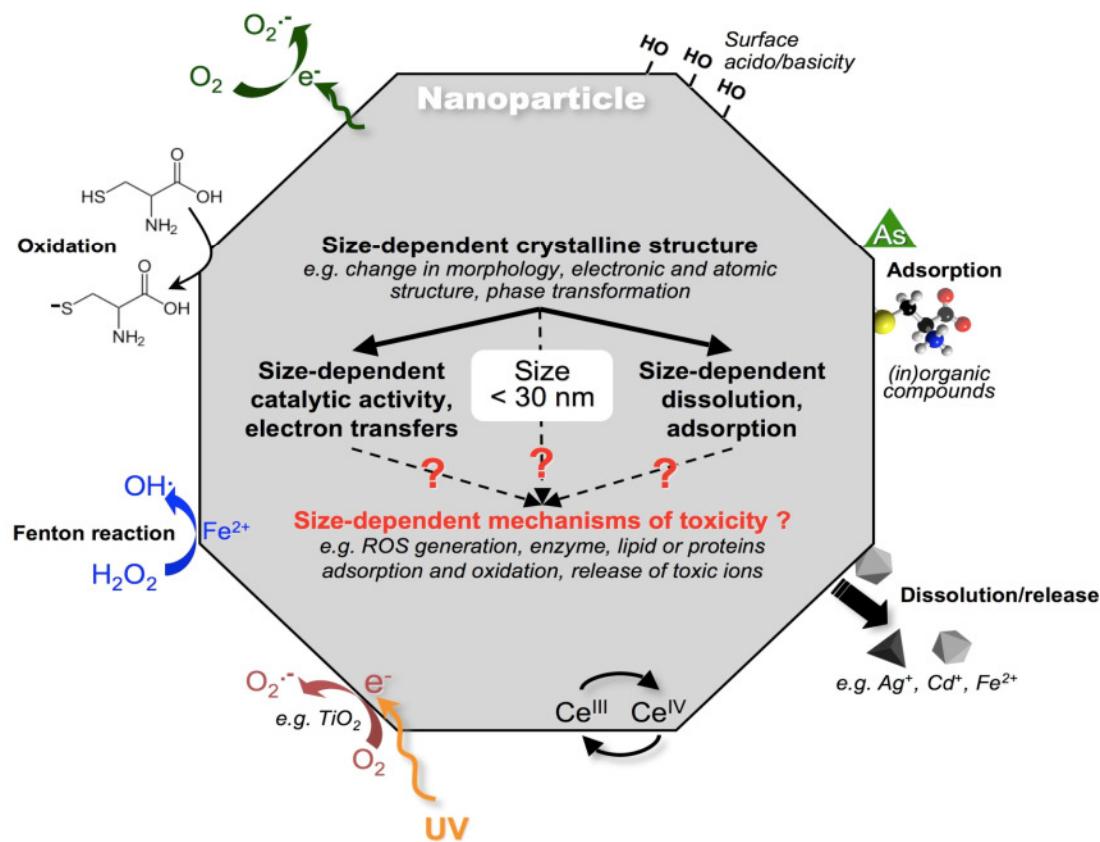
In water :stable NPs
only adsorption

In medium :unstable NPs
adsorption +
aggregation

Zeyons et al, ES and T 2009

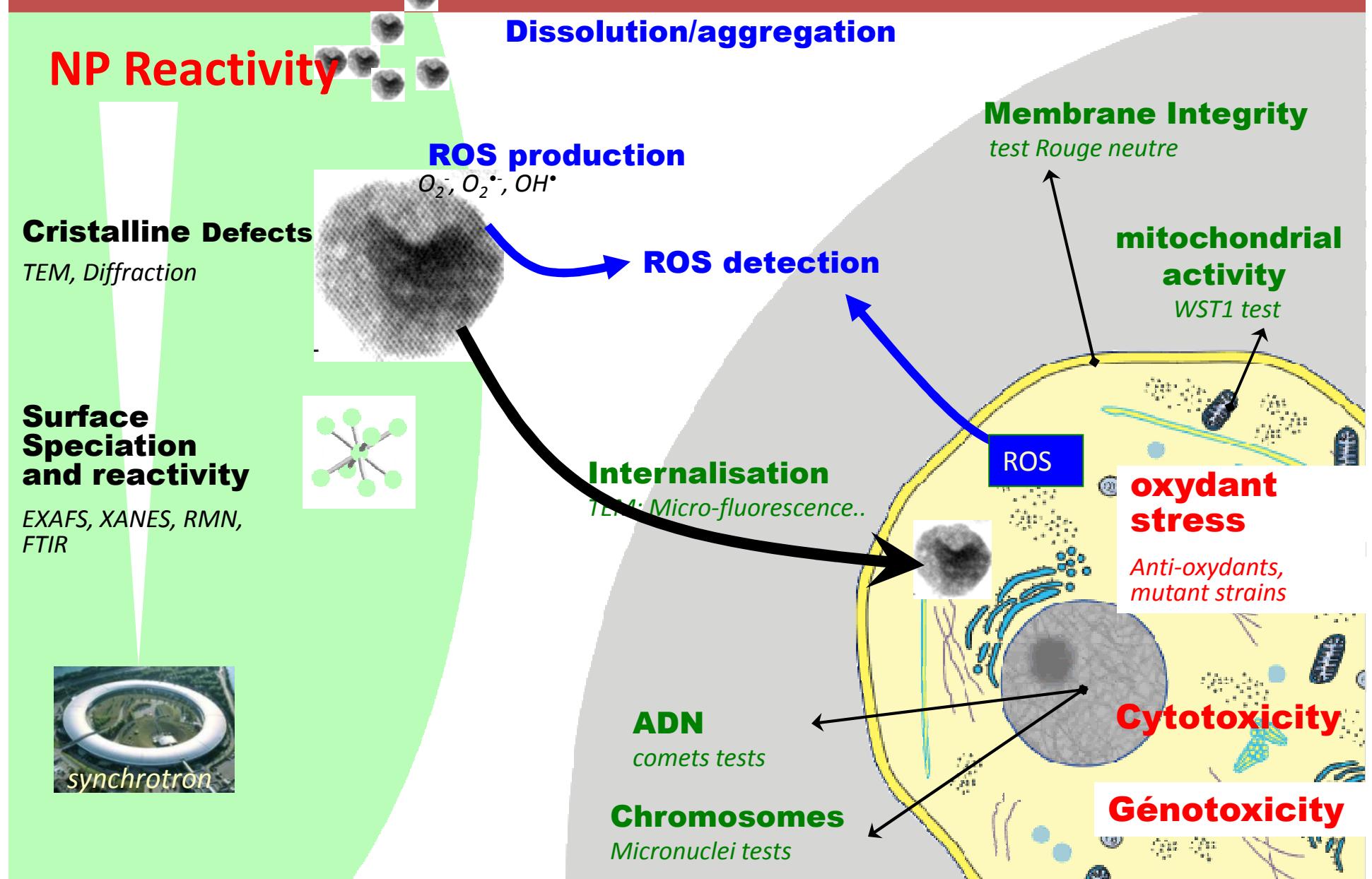
Conclusion and future

- The complexity of the studies come from the complexity of the NM or NP in term of the chemistry, stability and reactivity at atomic level.



M Auffan et al, Env Pollution 2009

There is a necessity of a 'Bio-physico-chemical approach' to well characterize the mechanisms of cyto and genotoxicity



If the mechanisms of the toxicity must be studied on « laboratory » NM, the researches must focus also on engineered products containing NP knowing that the formulations are complexe.

Researches must prioritize a systemic approach allowing to assess the toxicity in food webs and **Prioritize *in vivo* testing at increasing trophic levels for « environmental concentrations of NM »**

Try to be predictive from the:

- knowledge and **Modelling** of the interaction mechanisms of « nano » with water, components, biota

-Modelling of the kinetic interactions of NP in the aqueous media (water molecules, solutes, aggregation

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A very good BOOK not veryexpensive

- **NANOSCIENCES**
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- **TOME 4 : NANOTOXICOLOGIE, NANOETHIQUE**
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- Marcel Lahmani, Francelyne Marano, and Philippe Houdy
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- Belin (october 2010) and Elsevier (2011)

Settling velocity of fractal aggregates $D_f < 2.3$ versus Stokes law and Various size

