



# Exposure along the Value Chain of Nano Products



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# A focus on 'exposure along the value chain'

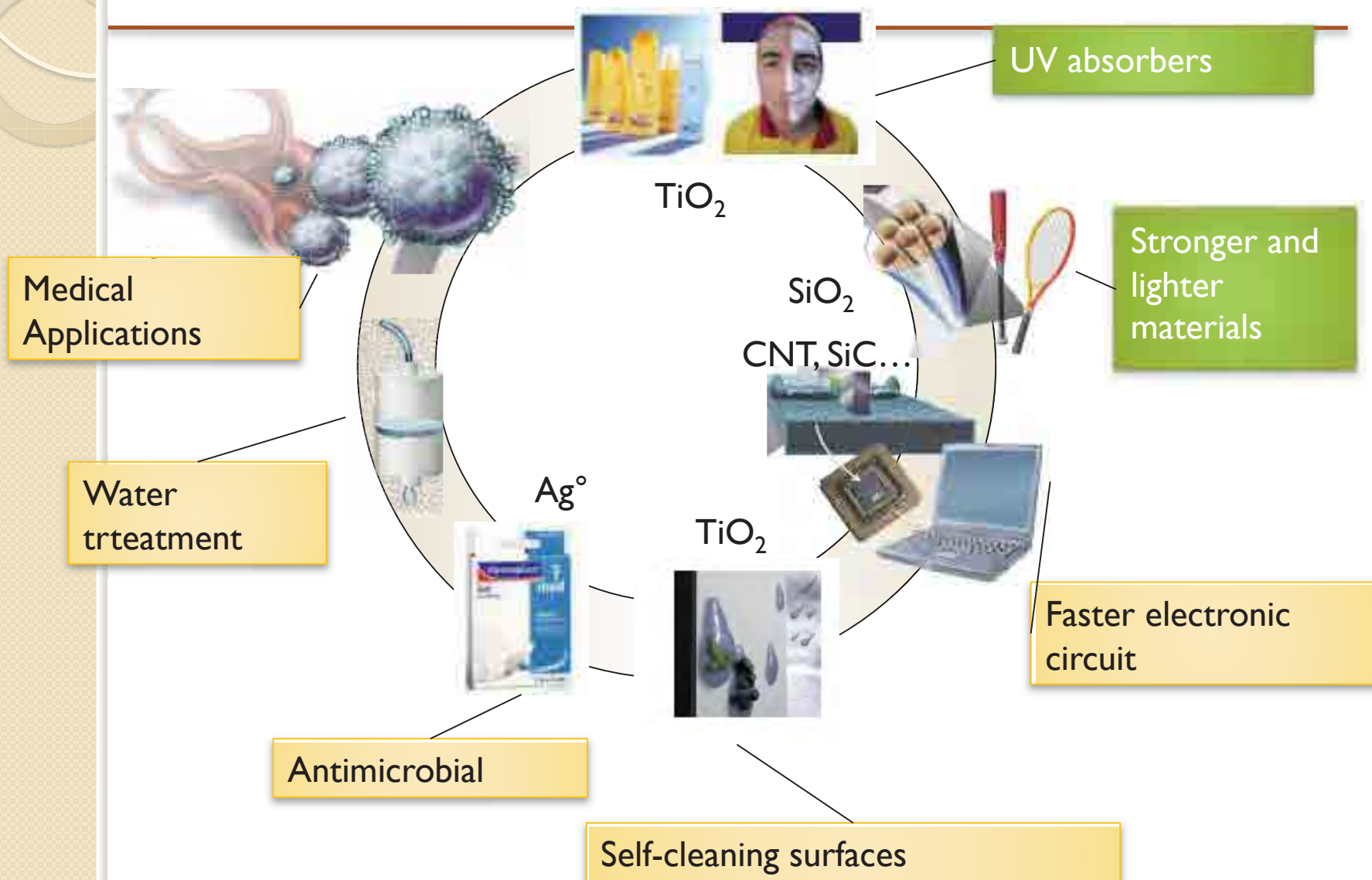
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- Flashback few years ago : what was the priority list of NM to be studied?

# OECD priority list of Nps

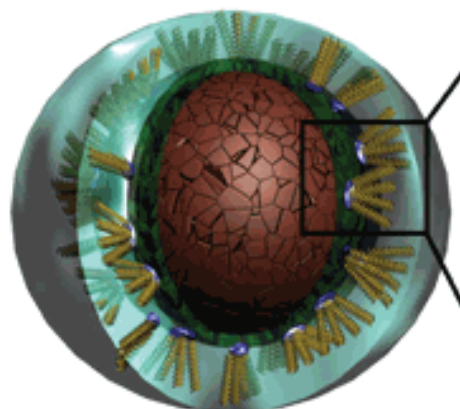
- Fullerenes (C60)
- Single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs)
- Multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWCNTs)
- Silver nanoparticles
- Iron nanoparticles
- Carbon black
- Titanium dioxide
- Aluminum oxide
- Cerium oxide
- Zinc oxide
- Silicon dioxide
- Polystyrene
- Dendrimers
- Nanoclays

# Commercialized nanomaterials/ nanoproducts are complex



# Commercial products

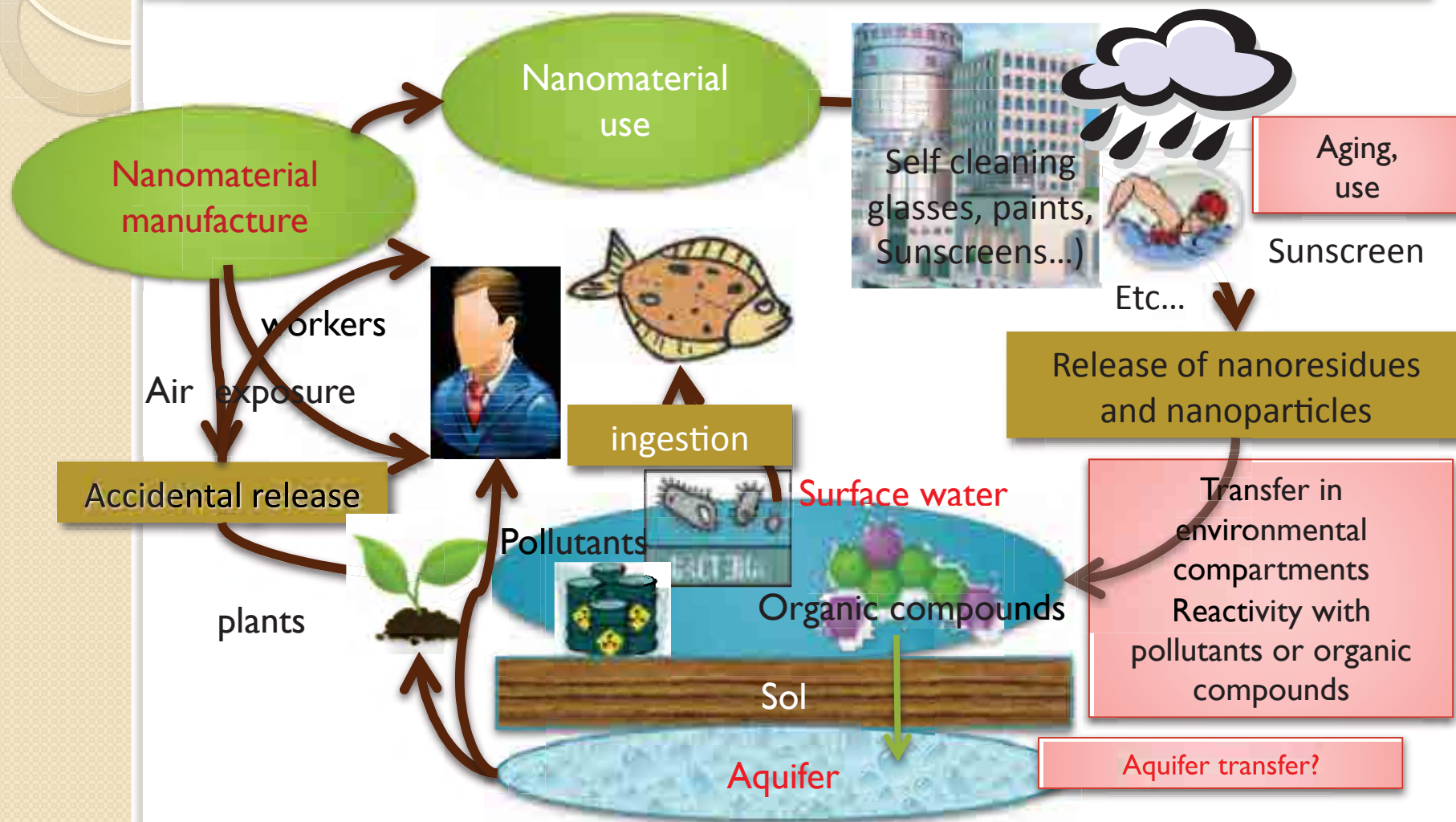
- In many cases nanomaterials are (surface) modified to be incorporated into products



- Priority: Bare nanomaterials? Coated?  
Extrapolation of results obtained with bare to coated?.



# Exposure to Nanoproducts

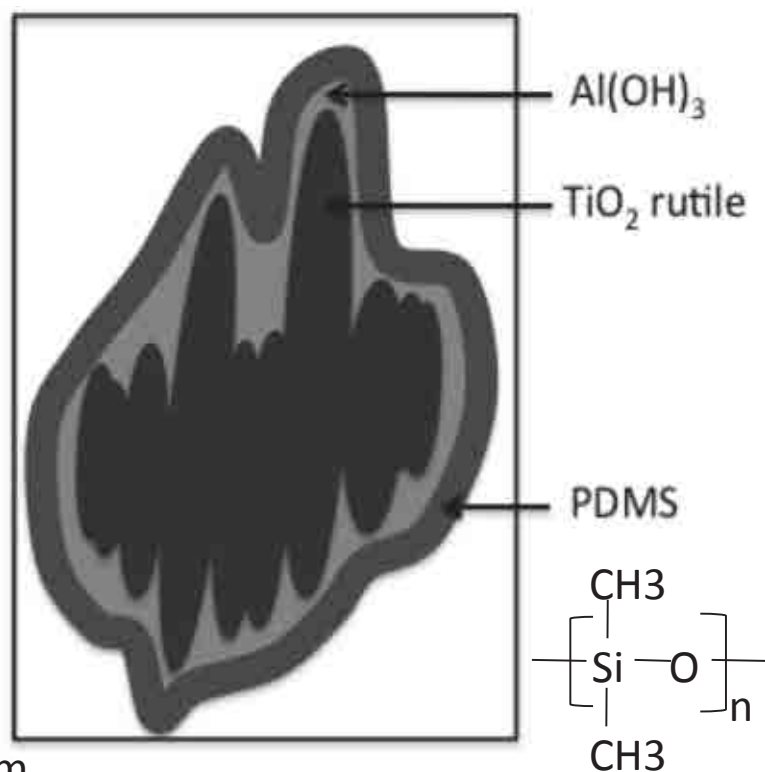


From products: the Nps are obtained from the alteration of materials as plastics, cosmetics, paints, ..... These Nanomaterials are complex and may be they do not reveal the same properties as the pristine Nps

Ex:  $\text{TiO}_2$  in sunscreens =  
 $\text{TiO}_2 + \text{AlOOH} + \text{PDMS}$  or  $\text{TiO}_2 + \text{SiO}_2 + \text{PDMS}$



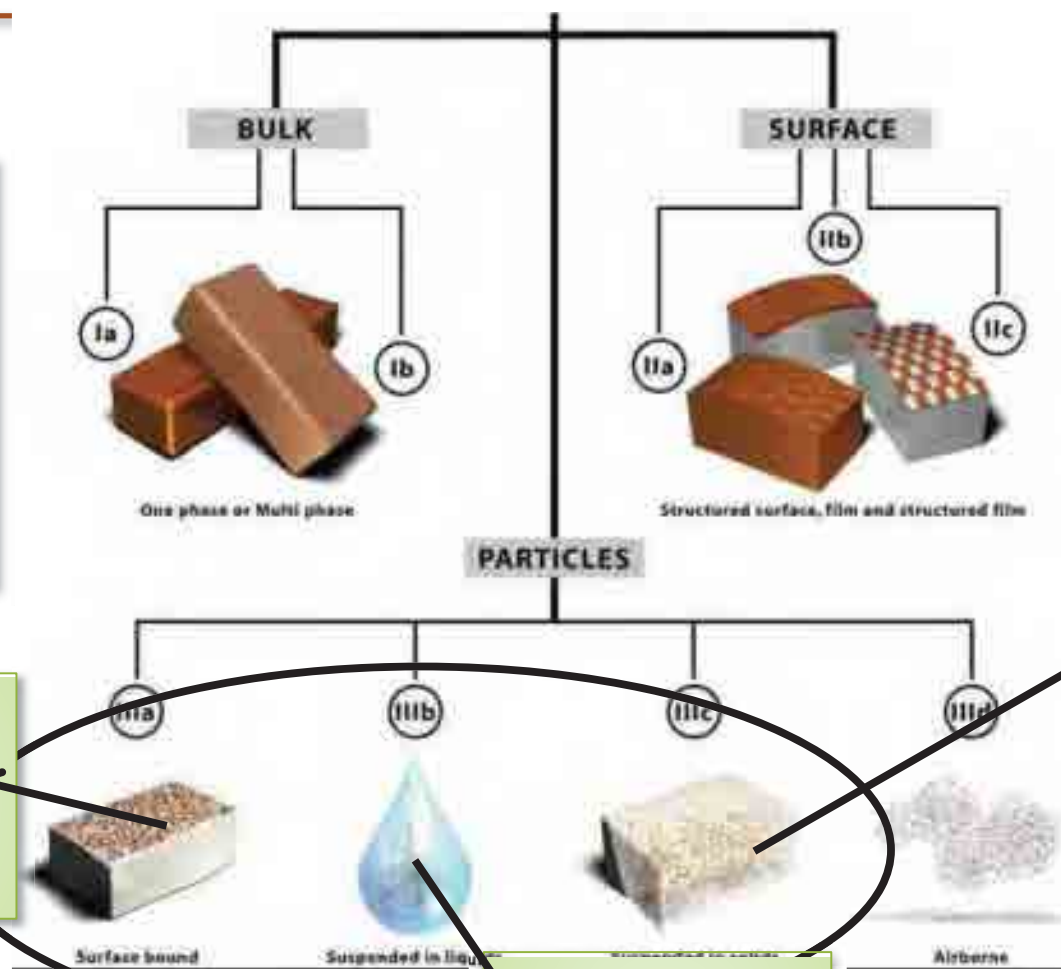
Size of particles: 10x50 nm



# Nanoproducts v.s nanomaterials different case studies

- Nanomaterials:  
 one dimension  
 < 100nm
- Nanoproducts: 9  
 categories:

From Hansen, 2007



Example:  
NanoCeO<sub>2</sub>-  
composite in  
outdoor paint

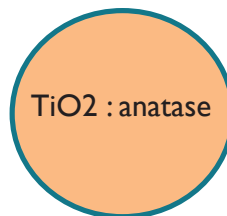
Example: Self-  
cleaning  
cement

Example :  
Sunscreens

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# Self-cleaning Cement



- Self-cleaned surface
- Depolluted area

Aging during its use : **effect** of water exposure with time

Release process of nanoparticles

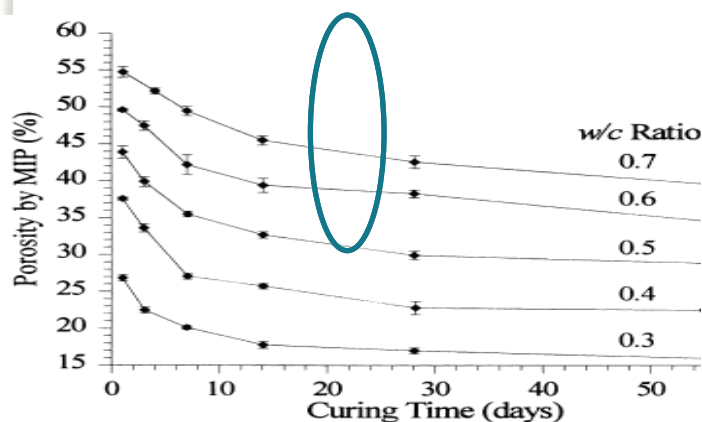
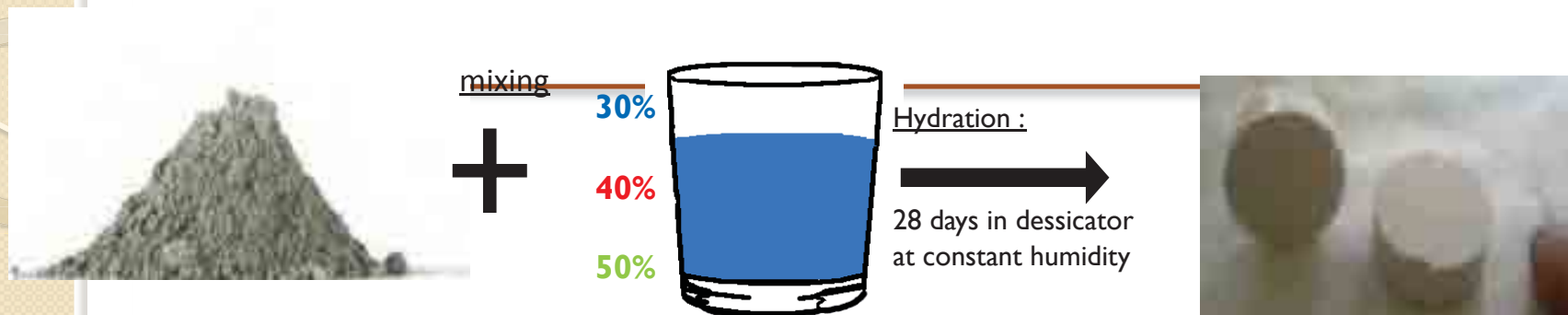
- Dissolution of matrixes around nano-TiO<sub>2</sub>
- Transport into cement pores

Hypothesis: release of nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> can be **controlled** by **CEMENT POROSITY** and **MINERALOGY** of hydrated cement phases at the water-cement interface



<http://www.ciments-calcia.fr/FR/Nos+produits/TX+Active/>

# Preparation of cement with different porosity

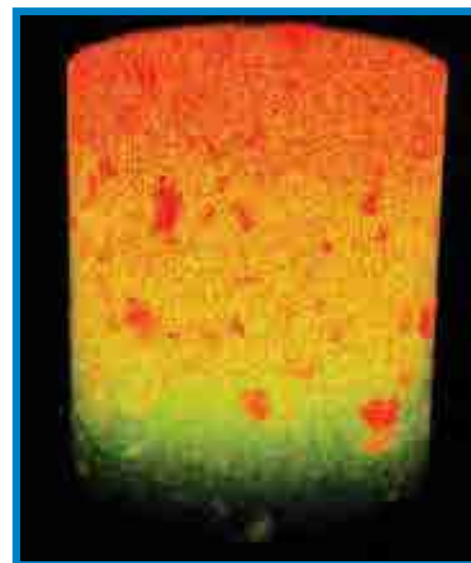


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Ti X-ray microtomography

Core

Surface

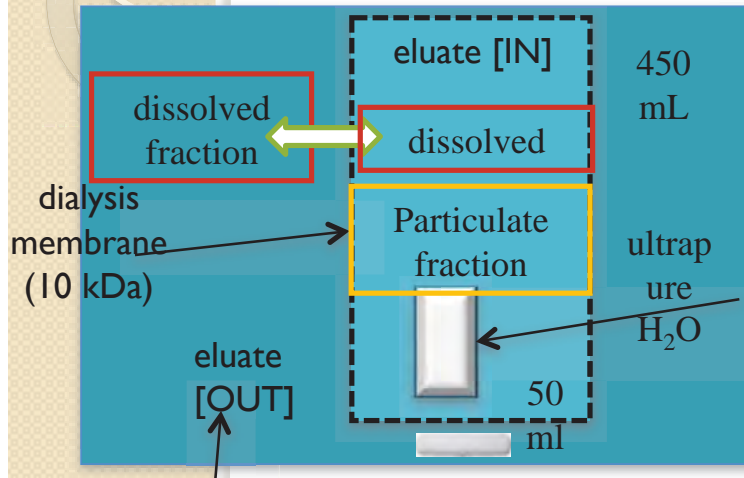


512 \* 512 px, 1px = 10µm

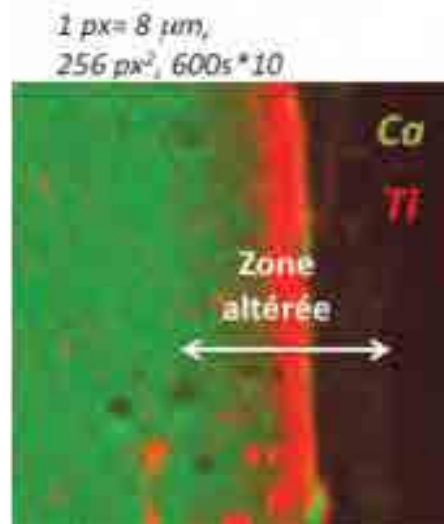
Image Ti µXRF intensity, core cement : L/S= 0.6

# Dialysis test

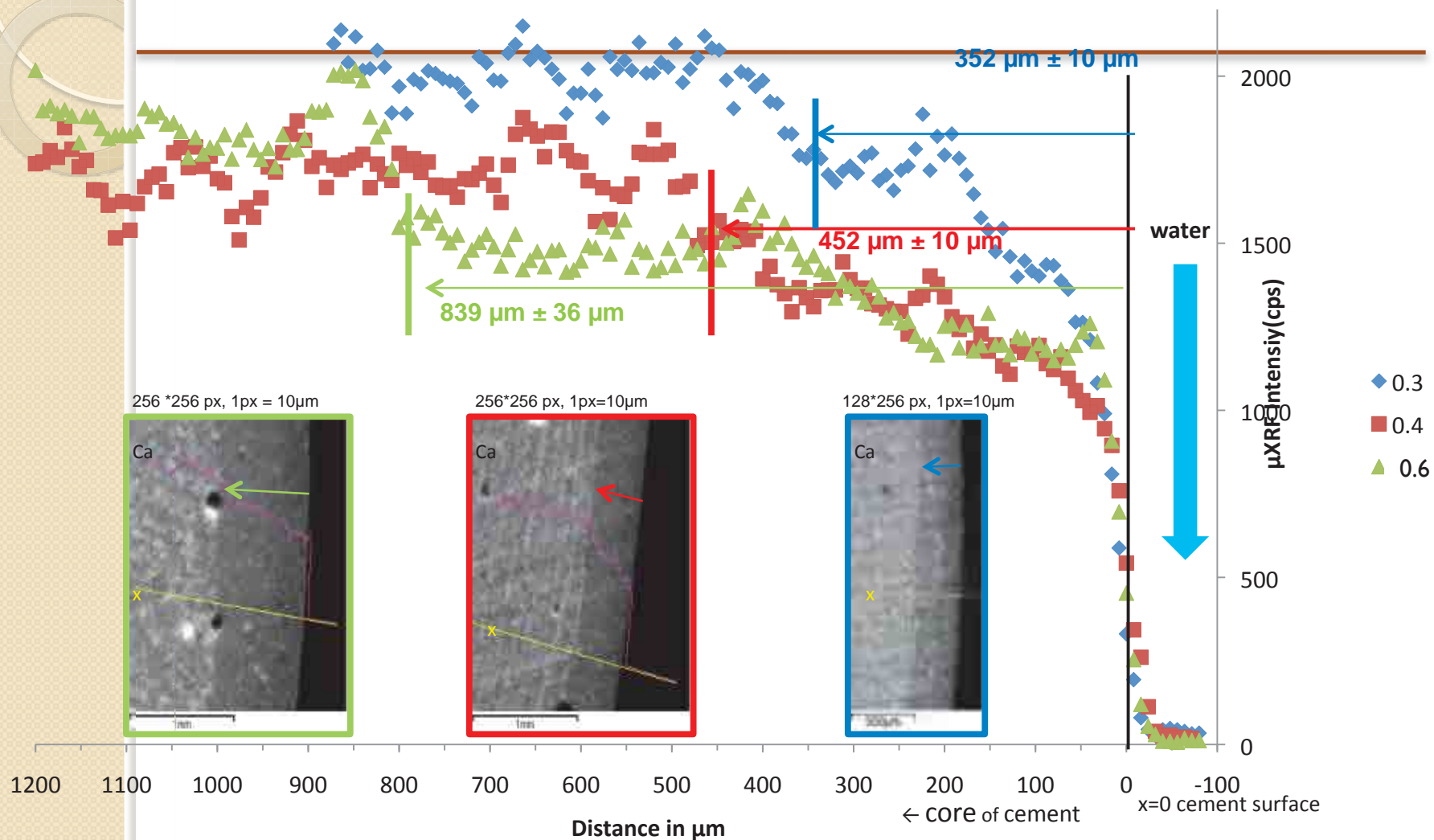
Different initial porosity: effect on nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> release

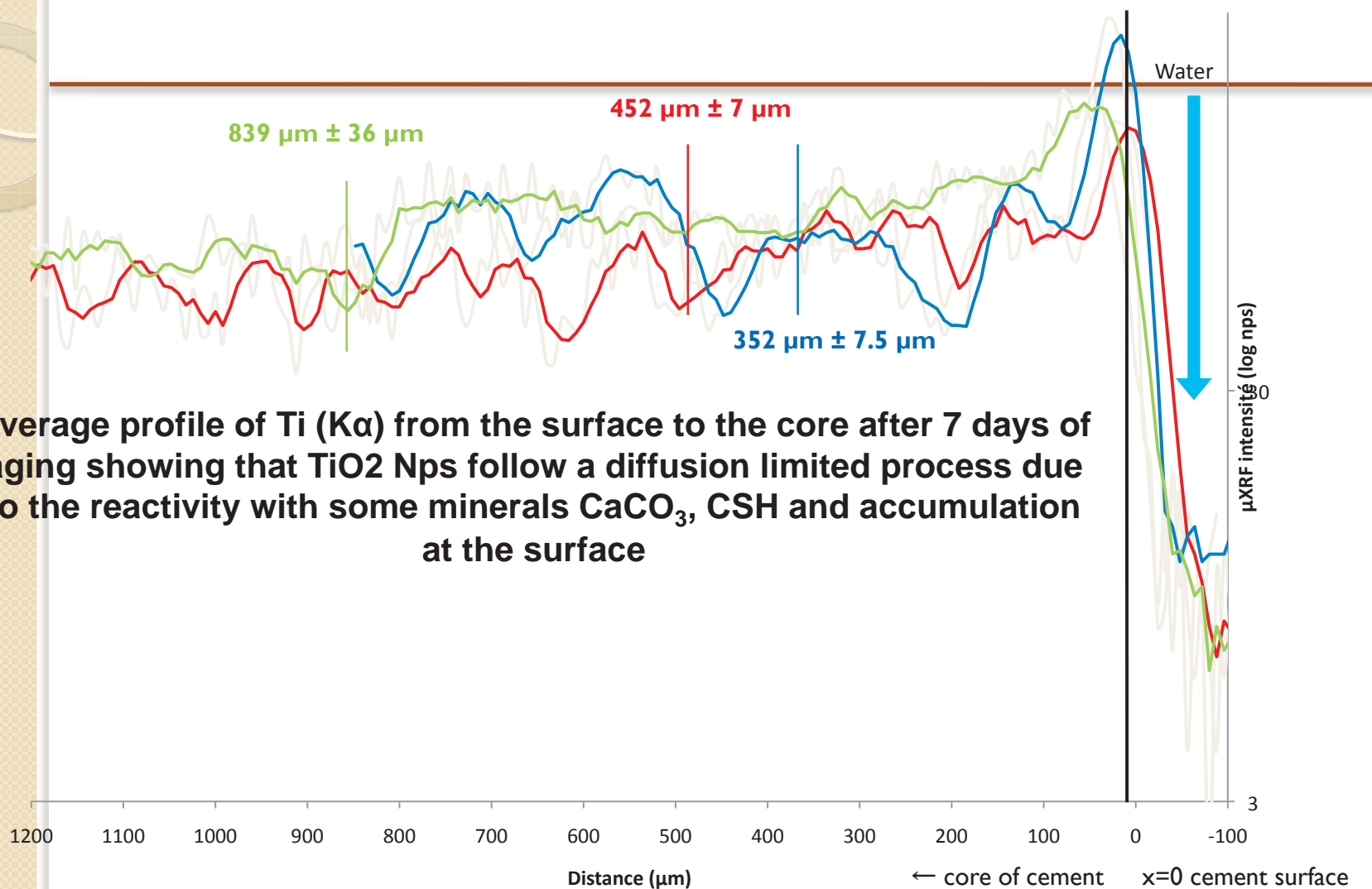


Hydrated cement paste (with various initial porosity)  
0,3 – 0,4 – 0,5, w/w  
4 replicates



# Profil of Ca (K $\alpha$ ) from the surface to the core of sections of cement after 7 days of aging showing the increasing of the altered zone with L/S ratio





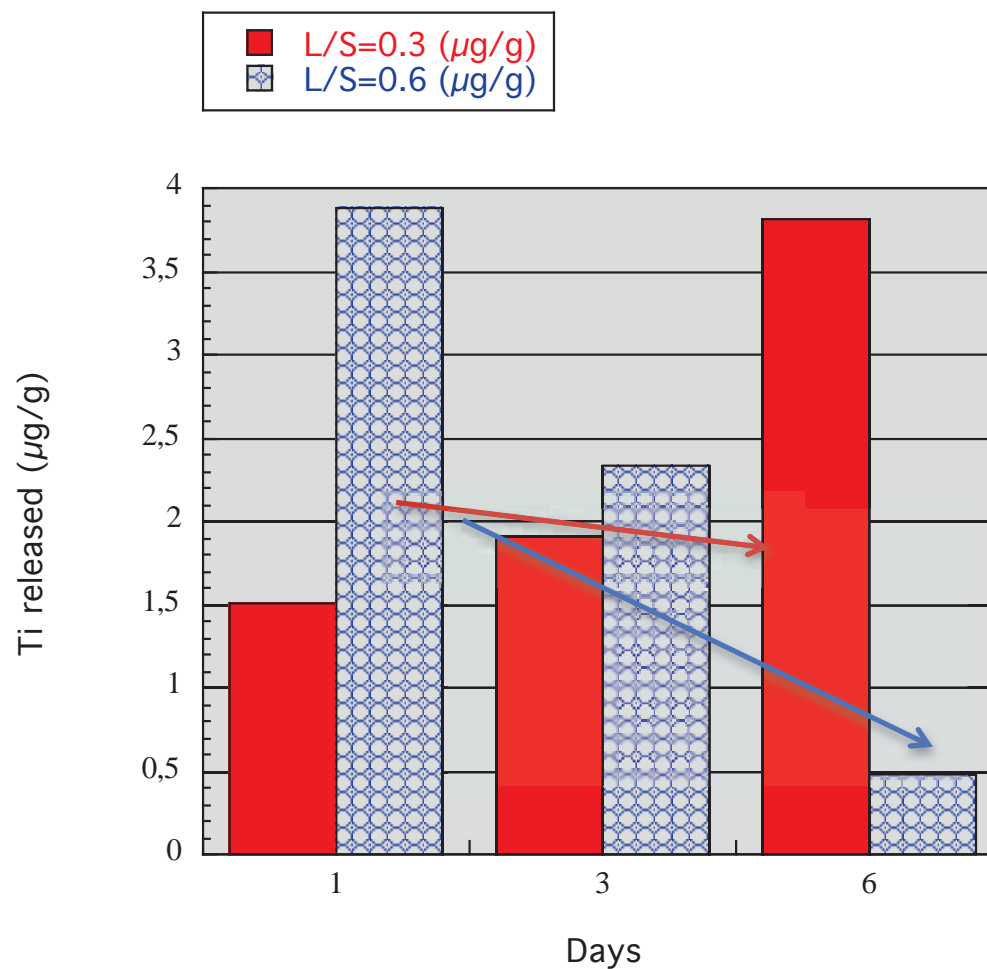
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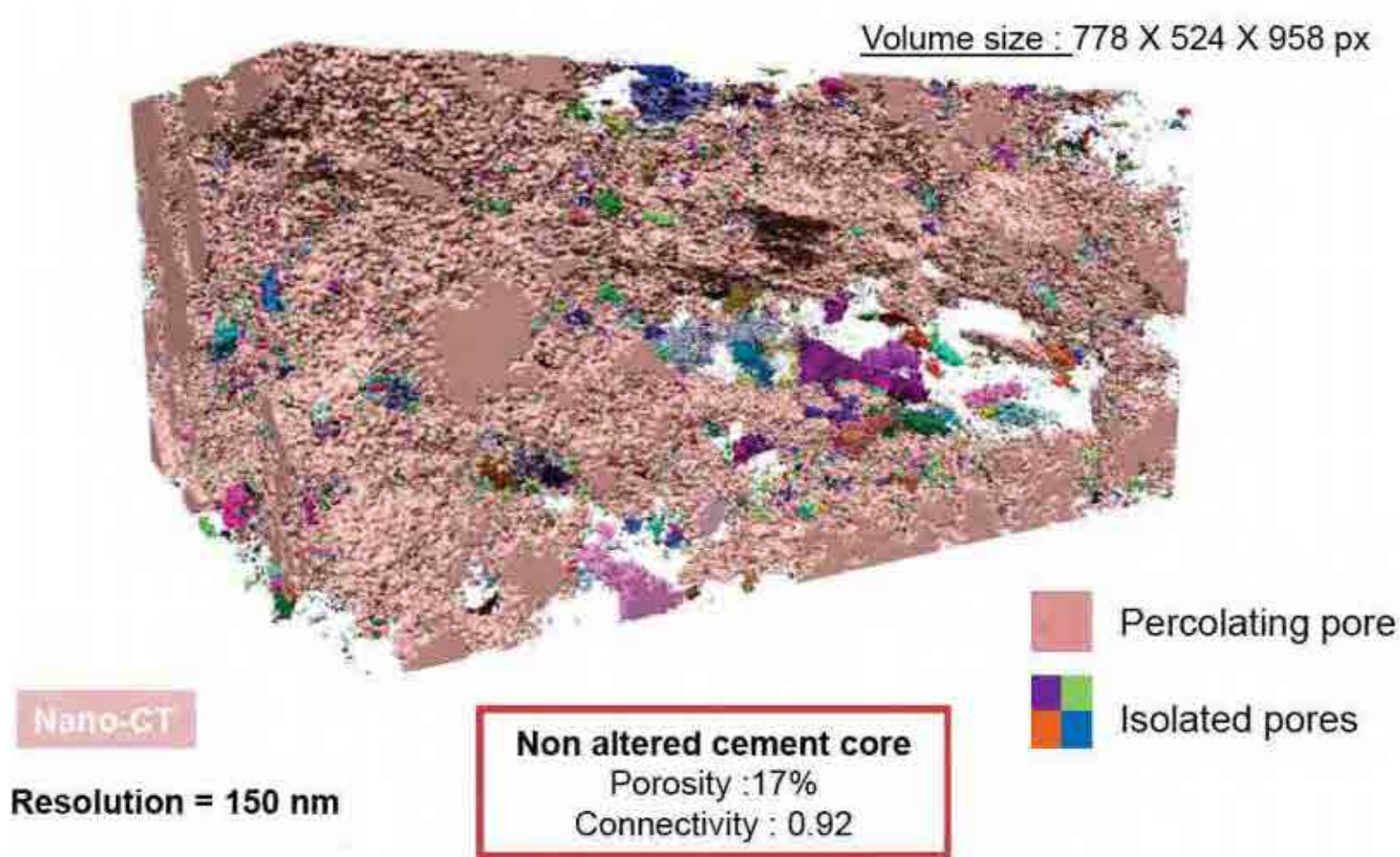
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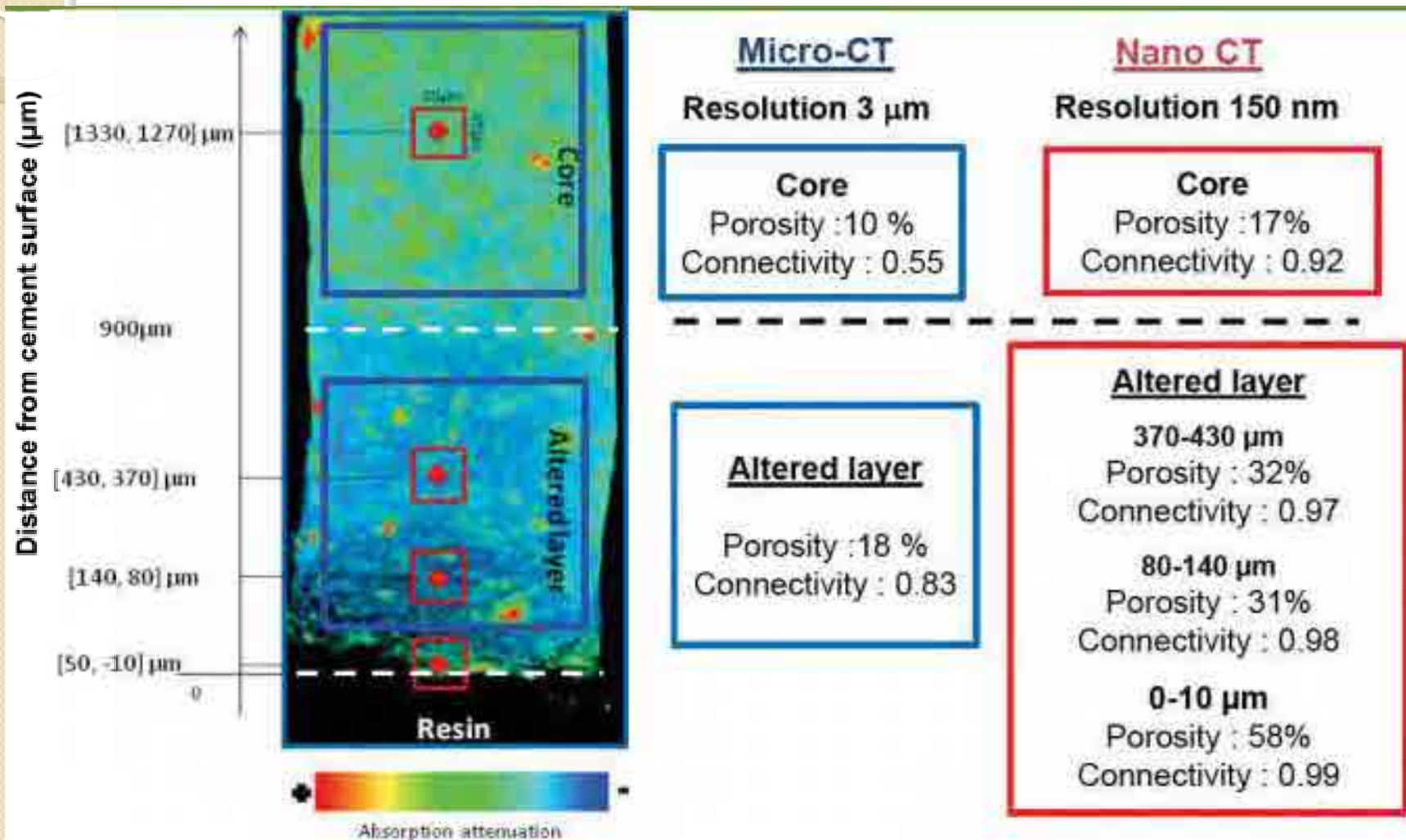
## The release is controlled by the porosity and the minerals constituting the pore walls



## 3D pore volume using X-Ray micro and Nano Tomography I- non-altered cement pores



## 2-altered cements



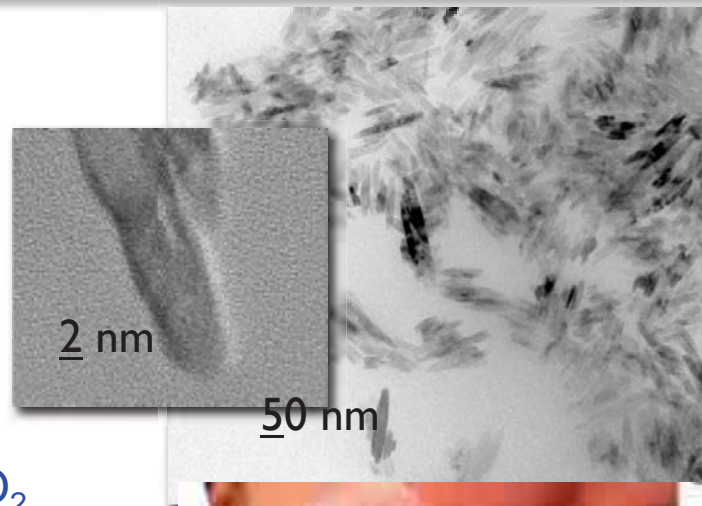


## Example 2: nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> formulations used in sunscreens



4 sunscreens with SPF >50

≈ 4.6% per weight of TiO<sub>2</sub>



- Nano TiO<sub>2</sub> used in sunscreen : Fate and behavior of a nanomaterial in contact with « surface » water

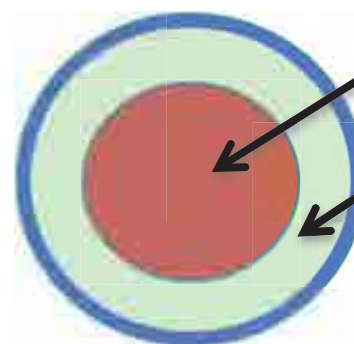


Botta et al., Env. Poll., 2011 ©

# Example 3: nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> formulations used in sunscreens

TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles v.s TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocomposite used in sunscreen

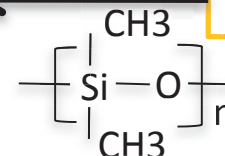
TiO<sub>2</sub>



TiO<sub>2</sub> core

AlOOH or SiO<sub>2</sub>

PDMS

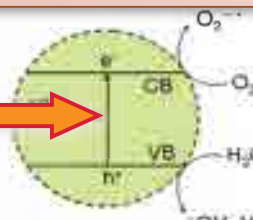


Initially

Hydrophilic  
ROS Generation under light  
(Photocatalytic properties)  
Ecotoxicity (e.g daphnia mortality)

Hydrophobic  
No ROS generation

UV



generation of  
reactive oxygen  
species

UVA and UVB absorption by TiO<sub>2</sub>

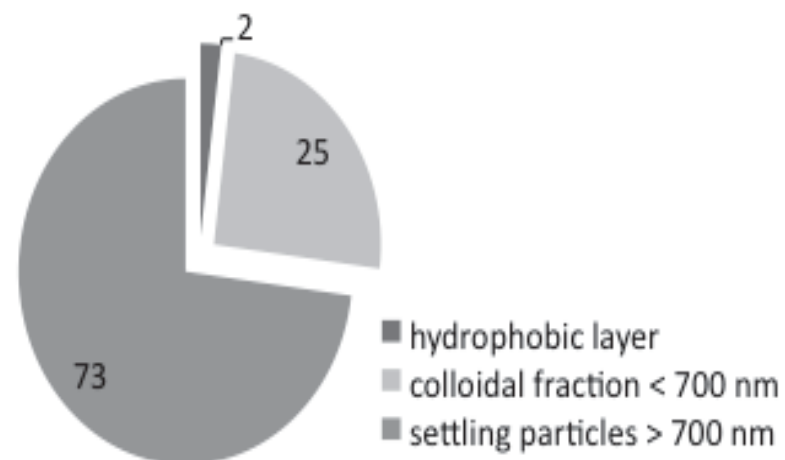
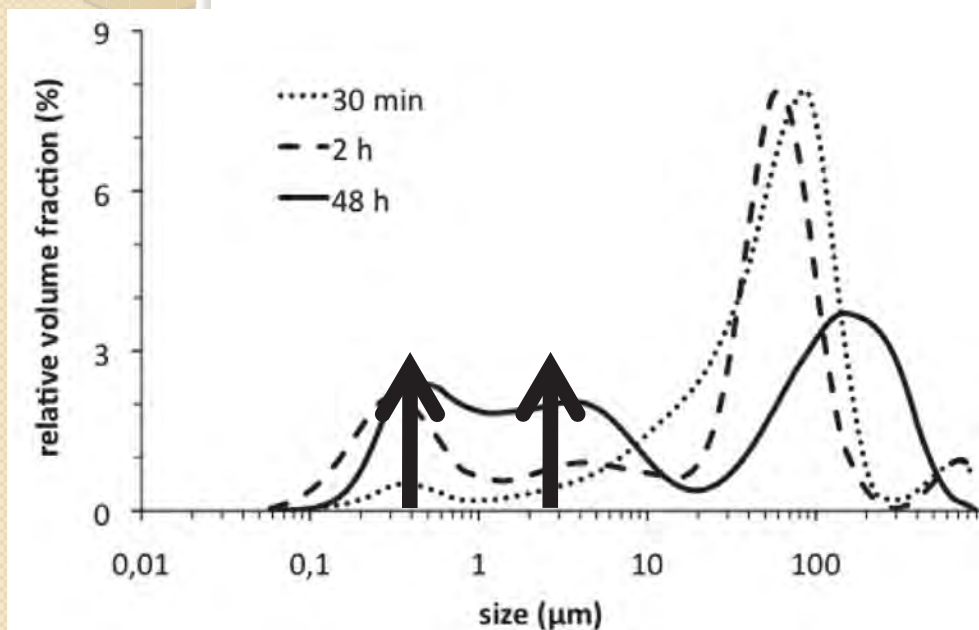
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# TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocomposite Dispersion in water

Size distribution:

Mass distribution after 48 h



Colloidal fraction increases with time

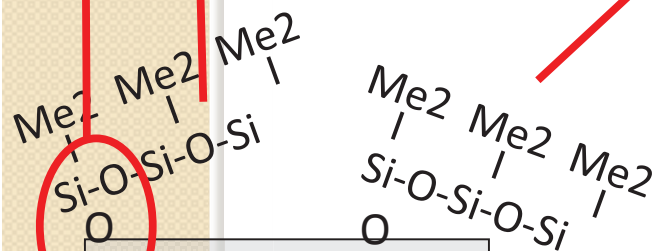
Labille et al, 2010, Environ. Poll., 2011

# Unaltered Nms

Si-29 NMR

Unaltered PDMS

C-13 NMR



TiO<sub>2</sub>

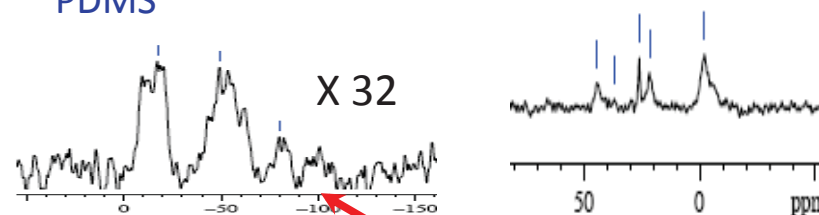
Al<sub>IV</sub>-O-Si

# Altered nanocomposite

Strongly altered organic layer

Degradation of PDMS

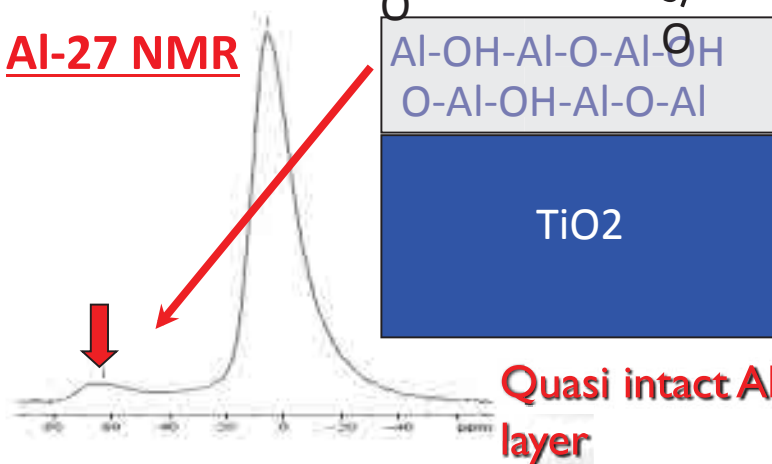
Loss of C signal



Si-29 NMR

C-13 NMR

Al-27 NMR

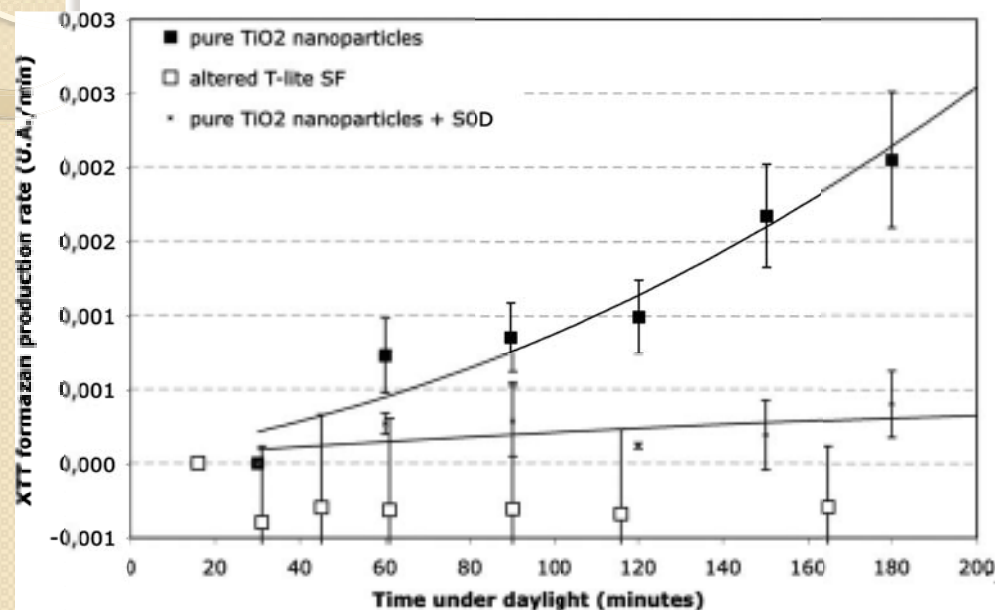


Quasi intact Al layer

Auffan et al., Environ.Sci.Technol. 2010

## One consequence: different production of ROS

Super oxide Production  $O_2^{\cdot -}$  from altered nano << pristine rutile  $TiO_2$   
the layer of  $Al(OH)_3$  strongly limits the production of ROS  $O_2^{\cdot -}$



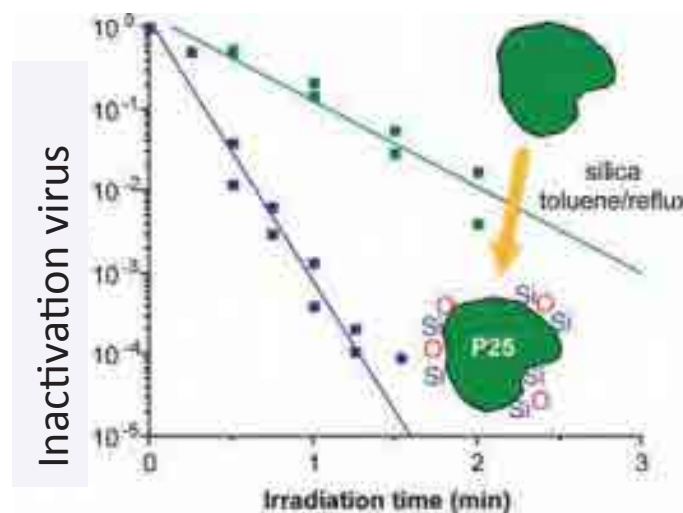
*M Auffan et al, ES and T 2010*

*J Labille et al Env Pollution, 2011*

Band Gap Calculations (eV)

$TiO_2(P25)$	3.42
$TiO_2(P25)-SiO_2(2.5\%)$	3.43
$TiO_2(P25)-SiO_2(10\%)$	3.45
$TiO_2(P25)-SiO_2(20\%)$	3.47

It is not the case for P25 coated by silica



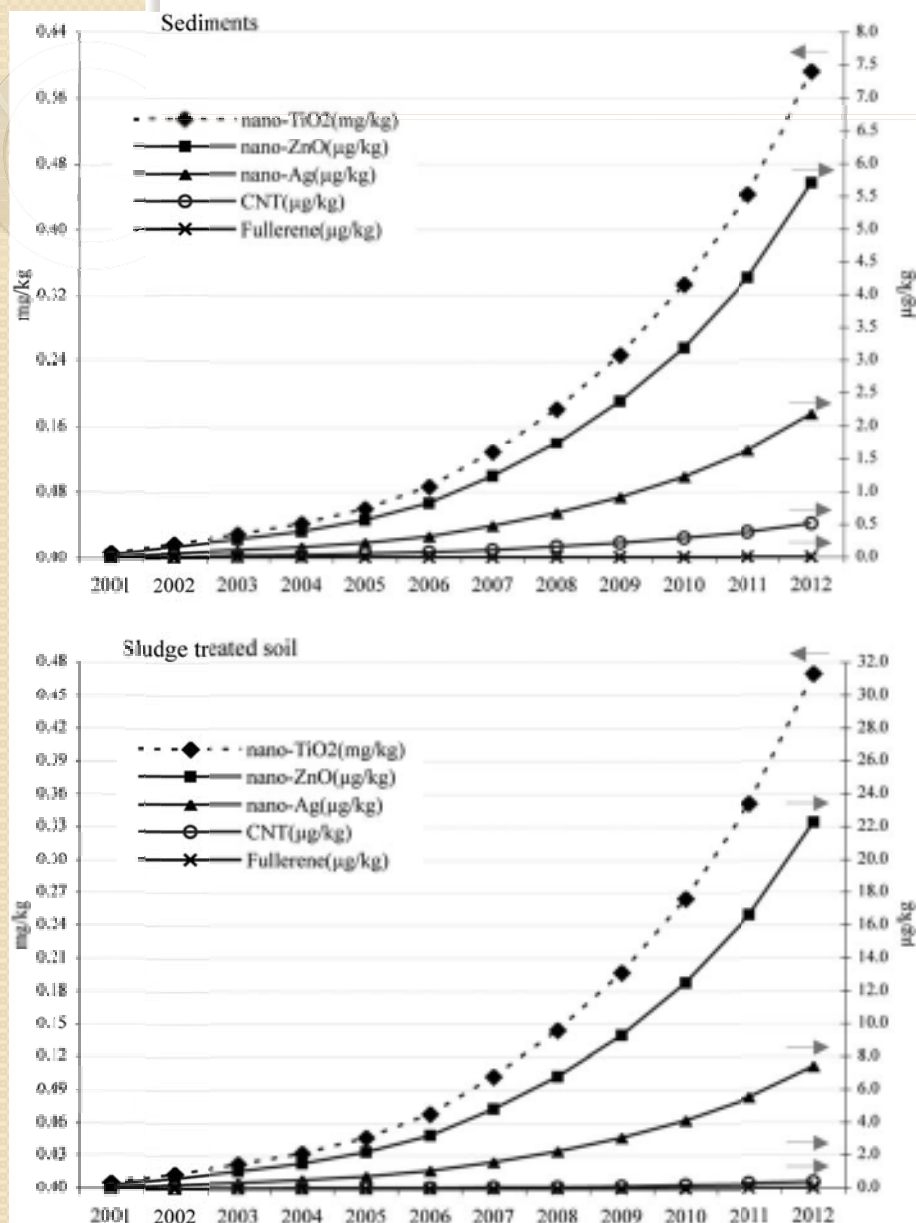
*A Barron, ES and T. 2011,*

# End of Life: the influence of bio-sludge in the Waste Water Treatment Plant on the transformation and exposure

# Predicted nanomaterial concentrations (U.S.) in sediment and sludge treated soil for nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> nano-ZnO, Ag<sup>0</sup>, CNT, C60: Importance of STP effluent ?



From F Gottschalk et al, ES and T 2009



## Risk Quotients (PEC/PNEC) for all ENM and Regions

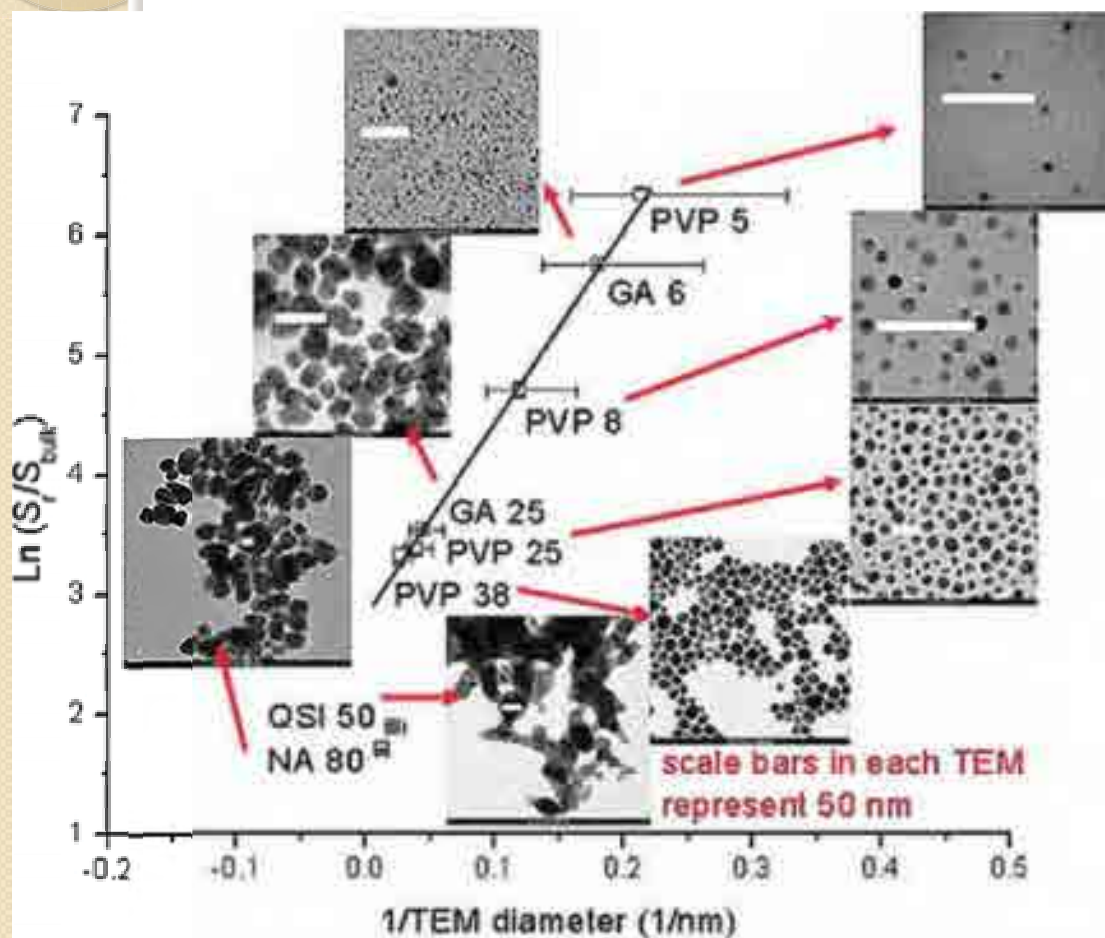
compartment	Europe	U.S.	Switzerland
nano TiO <sub>2</sub>			
surface water	0.015	0.002	0.02
STP effluent	3.5	1.8	4.3
Air	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
soil	0.004	0.002	0.002
nano-ZnO			
surface water	0.25	0.02	0.32
STP effluent	10.8	7.7	11
nano-Ag			
surface water	1.1	0.17	1.03
STP effluent	61.1	30.1	55.6
air	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
CNT			
surface water	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
STP effluent	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
sediment	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
air	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Soil	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
sludge treated soil	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Fullerenes			
surface water	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
STP effluent	0.026	0.023	0.019
Soil	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005
Sludge treated soil	<0.0005	<0.0005	<0.0005



Ex of  $Ag^0$ , the coating with PVP, GA....does not impact the dissolution, which follows the modified Kelvin equation i.e the ratio

$$S_r = S_{bul} k \times \exp(2\gamma V_m / RT \times r)$$

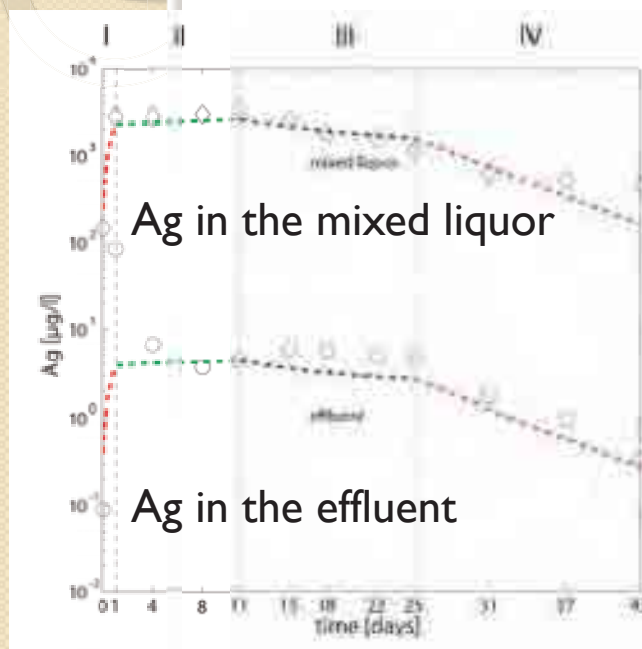
$S_r / S_{bulk}$  only depends on the size



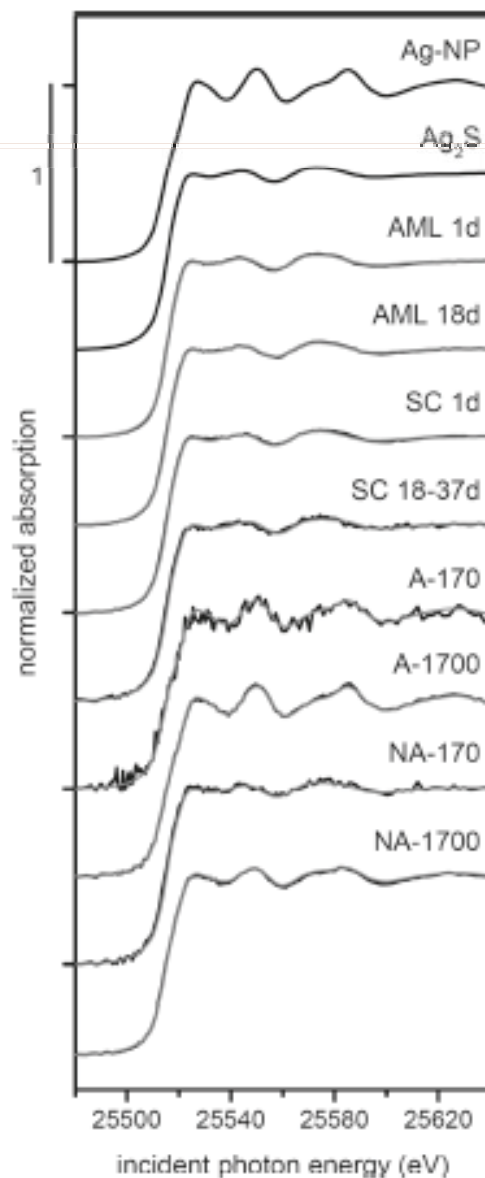
Initial Np size ~ 5 to 80 nm  
And coating by PVP, GA

Ma, R et al. ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY Volume: 46 Issue: 2 2012

## Ex: Silver coated and uncoated Nps in a WWTP pilot



**Less than 10% of Ag are in the effluent**



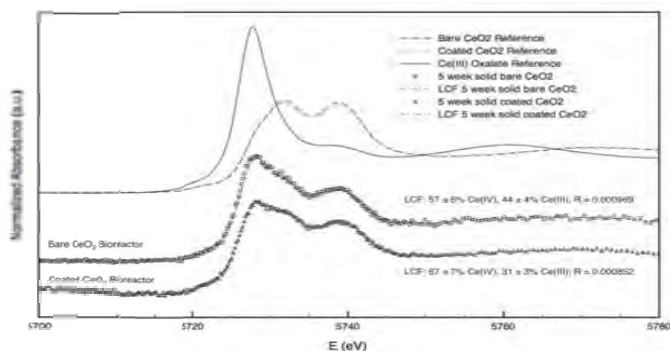
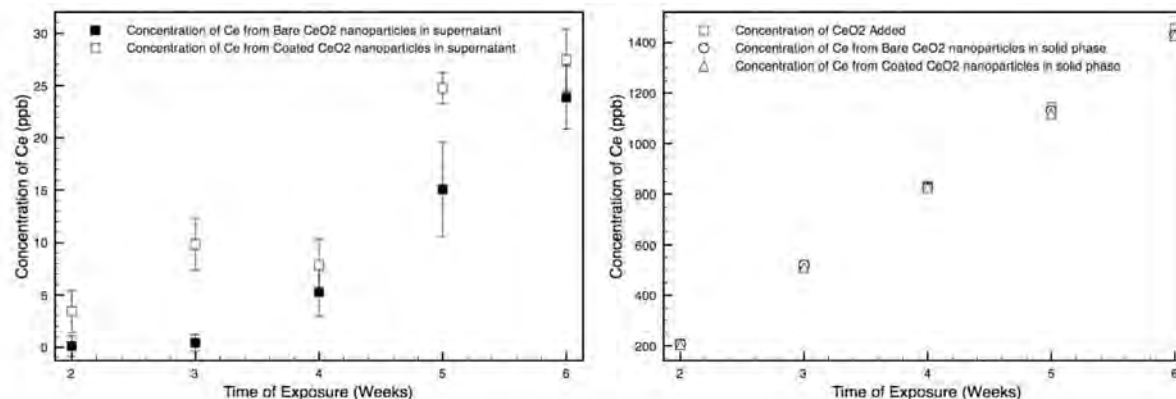
Evolution of the silver Speciation in the bio-sludge through XANES experiments

**More than 90% of Ag Nps are Transformed in Ag<sub>2</sub>S**

*R Kaegi et al, ES and T 2011*

## Case of coated and uncoated industrial CeO<sub>2</sub>

Retention of Ce by biosolids  $\geq 90\%$



Ce speciation through XANES spectra after 5 weeks in the bioreactors contaminated with pristine and citrate-functionalized CeO<sub>2</sub> ENMs :

**More than 90% of Ce(IV) is reduced in Ce(III)**

**L. Barton et al, ES and T submitted (2013)**

SAMPLE	% Ce(IV)	% Ce(III)	R factor	SAMPLE	% Ce(IV)	% Ce(III)	R factor
1 hour solid spike Pristine CeO <sub>2</sub>	73	27	0.000270				
8 hour solid spike Pristine CeO <sub>2</sub>	67	33	0.000281	8 hour solid spike Functionalized CeO <sub>2</sub>	89	11	0.000249
1 day solid spike Pristine CeO <sub>2</sub>	68	33	0.000317	1 day solid spike Functionalized CeO <sub>2</sub>	89	12	0.000139
1 hour liquid spike Pristine CeO <sub>2</sub>	> 90	< 10	0.000123				
8 hour liquid spike Pristine CeO <sub>2</sub>	> 90	< 10	0.000106	8 hour liquid spike Functionalized CeO <sub>2</sub>	> 90	< 10	0.000268
1 day liquid spike Pristine CeO <sub>2</sub>	> 90	< 10	0.000067	1 day liquid spike Functionalized CeO <sub>2</sub>	> 90	< 10	0.000149

**Kinetic of reduction of CeO<sub>4</sub> showing the necessity to contact the bio-solids**

# Conclusion - Perspective

- Nanosafety context: It is important to study ENM containing products and their residues
  - different stages of life products, aging, ... = Alteration of the substrate, release, chemistry and structure of the released particles...
  - Implementation of aging/alteration experiments ... per **products: cements, glasses, paints, cosmetics, plastics**
  - Normal use v.s. accidental release (e.g. crash test, ...)
- More realistic scenario evolution: from lab to mesocosms, And... natural systems.

# European ‘conclusion’

- Nano-REG project (4 years, 66 partners)  
« A common European approach to the regulatory testing of nanomaterials »

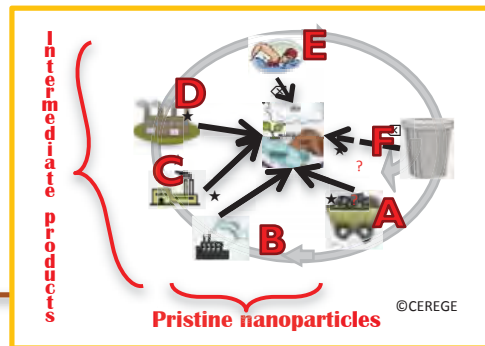
## WP 3: Exposure through life cycle analysis

- 1) Characterise and quantify real exposures to humans and the environment (in terms of NM characteristic (metrics, size distribution, aggregation, composition, surface characterisation, with determination of uncertainty on the measurement etc), levels, time dependency, evolution, dispersion numbers exposed using modeling techniques rather than new measurements))
- 2) Develop “early warning signal” to exposure (monitoring, sensors...)
- 3) Identify critical life cycle stage (in terms of exposure)
- 4) **Develop an exposure decision tree and an exposure “categorization” procedure. (not case by case).**



## EXPOSURE

Exposure  
decision tree



## EXPOSURE decision tree

A+B+C+D

E+F

Occupational exposure

Environmental + consumer exposure

### DANGER/HAZARD

4 A – Prescreening of NM

5 – Tox decision tree

6 – Ecotox  
decision tree

4 B – Prescreening of NM

Terrestrial ecosystem

Under construction

Pre-screening

Aquatic ecosystem

Chemical stability (using dialysis at 2 kD)  
River Water Surface lake water Deep lake water

Incubation time to be defined

Slow / Fast to be defined?

Slow dissolution rates

Fast dissolution rates

Aging/alteration of nanoproduct in realistic scenario of use

Exposure to dissolved ions  
**STOP** (back to non nano regulation)

Food chain transfer

Mesocosm experiments (aquatic, terrestrial) In which Environmental compartment NM are located?

Generation of alteration by-products

•Performed in 1<sup>st</sup> intention  
 •Performed in 2<sup>nd</sup> intention  
 •May be used as screening tests or quick tool to compare/class different NMs



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***“The new generation of materials safer by design”***

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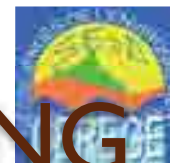
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- Life cycle assessment

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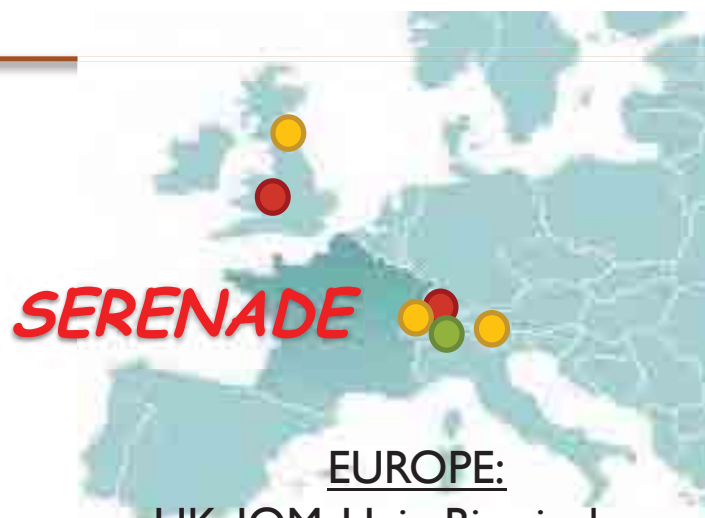


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- Synthesis and properties
- Ecotoxicity/toxicity
- Life cycle assessment and Risk modeling



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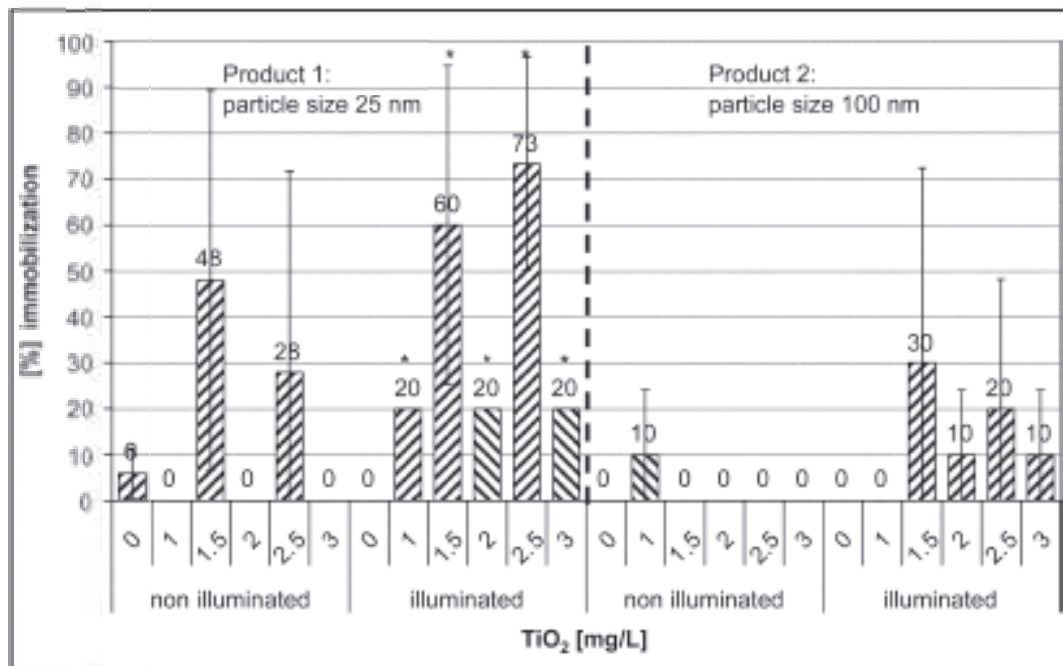
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# Ecotoxicity of bare $\text{TiO}_2$

## • Ecotoxic Effect of Photocatalytic Active Nanoparticles ( $\text{TiO}_2$ ) on Algae and



Light increases effects

Fig. 5: Immobilization of daphnids by  $\text{TiO}_2$ ; significance: \*  $0.1 > p \leq 0.5$