Acquiring exposure data and contextual information for demonstration of system-of-systems nano risk governance platform

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Why callBRAte-project?

The overall objective of the caLIBRAte project is to establish a state-of-the-art versatile Risk Governance framework (caLIBRAte HUB) for assessment and management of human and environmental risks of MN and MN-enabled products.

Industrial case studies are needed to generate new occupational exposure and environmental release data with high quality conceptual information for demonstration/verification of the modelling tools.

What we did

Occupational exposure assessment

- Personal and process measurements
 - Activity based analysis
 - Online monitoring, mass sampling
 - For particles from 6 nm upward
 - Materials characterization
- Stack emissions during process
- NECID data gathering
 - Harmonized and systematic

Environmental release study

- Environmental exposure
 - Airbourne emissions: 1 month study in factory surroundings
 - Solid waste, effluents

Stack emissions (5 days study) Environmental release (1 month study) PAINT FACTORY 3 product batches, TiO₂ etc. Occupational exposure Activity based worker's exposure (5 days study)

Discussion

This campaign indicated the importance of broad and detailed approach for data gathering in risk governance. The necessity for tested and calibrated ENM-specific risk priorisation and control banding tools will be highlighted in future work of caLIBRAte. The exposure data and product life-cycle information are used to demonstrate the performance of the exposure assessment models.





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