

# Nanoparticles: From Science to Market

A personal quest and business approach

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## Short BIO

**Academic career between 1980 and 2004,  
Positions in Utrecht, Maastricht and Düsseldorf.  
First encounter with nanotechnology 1999  
Entrepreneur since 2004- still in research (clinical)  
Prof at Düsseldorf University (Med Imaging)**

## Crossing borders

**First company MagnaMedics (2004-2010)  
Founder of second company Nano4Imaging (2011- now)  
Founder of NanoHouse (2006), Nanopodium (2008) LIME (2016)  
Nanotechnology content driver for all above  
Making connections is inner motivation and inspiration.**

# Idea (2008): MRI for interventions

## Angiography



Visibility catheter/wire

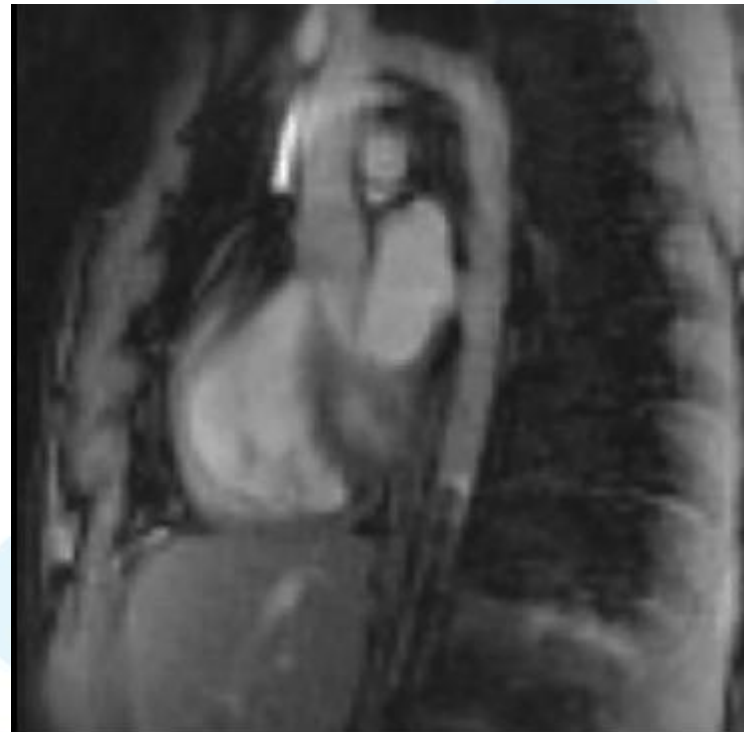


tissue visibility



radiation exposure

## MRI



Visibility catheter/wire



tissue visibility



radiation exposure

## All imaging methods use contrast agents For MRI these are gadolinium and SPIOs

- **Most SPIONS have been abandoned or production has been discontinued (Feridex IV, 2008; ResoVist, 2009; Sinerem, 2007; P905, 2012)-  $T_2$ -artefact**
- **Gadolinium-chelates are associated to renal complications and accumulate in the brain; (FDA restrictions in many clinical indications (e.g diabetes)-  $T_1$  positive contrast**

## Pragmatic and effective approach

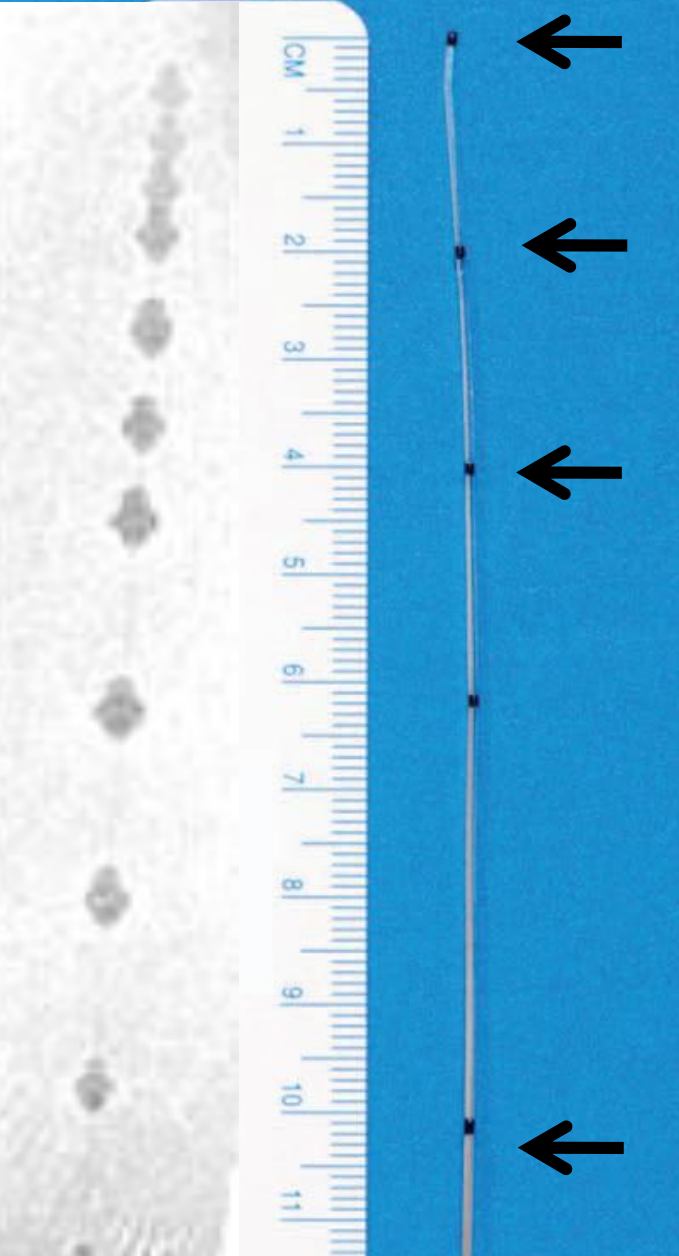
- **Incorporate MRI contrast agents into or onto Non-conductive devices**
- **This prevents release of contrast agent in blood**
- **Incorporated contrast agent used to create markers**
- **Markers make device visible and enable navigation**
- **No regulatory issues of contrast**

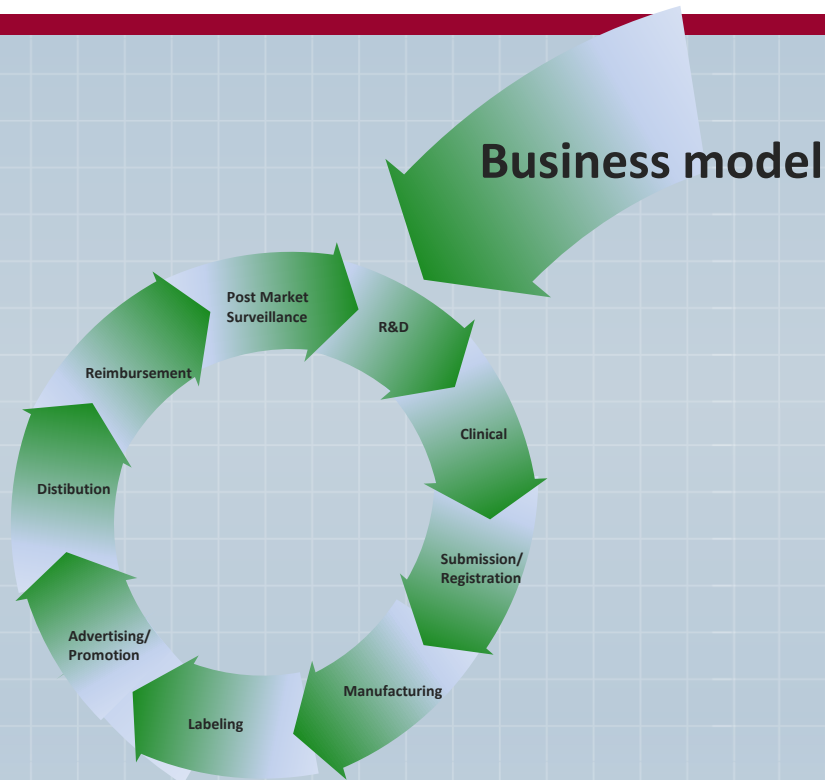


Markers (SPIONS) distort the magnetic field in MR (T2) and cause blackspots (artefacts)

Artefacts can be used to visualize and navigate instrument

Size of markers can be varied by concentration and width of line





## Product and business model

Expert in imaging

Nanoparticle customization

1. **B2B: coating to apply to other instruments for large instrument manufacturers. Low margin, dependency.**
2. **Own medical device (Class III)**
3. **OEM supplier: instrumental kits and accessories.**



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Major challenge: market entry, user and costs



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# Competence „Life Cycle“



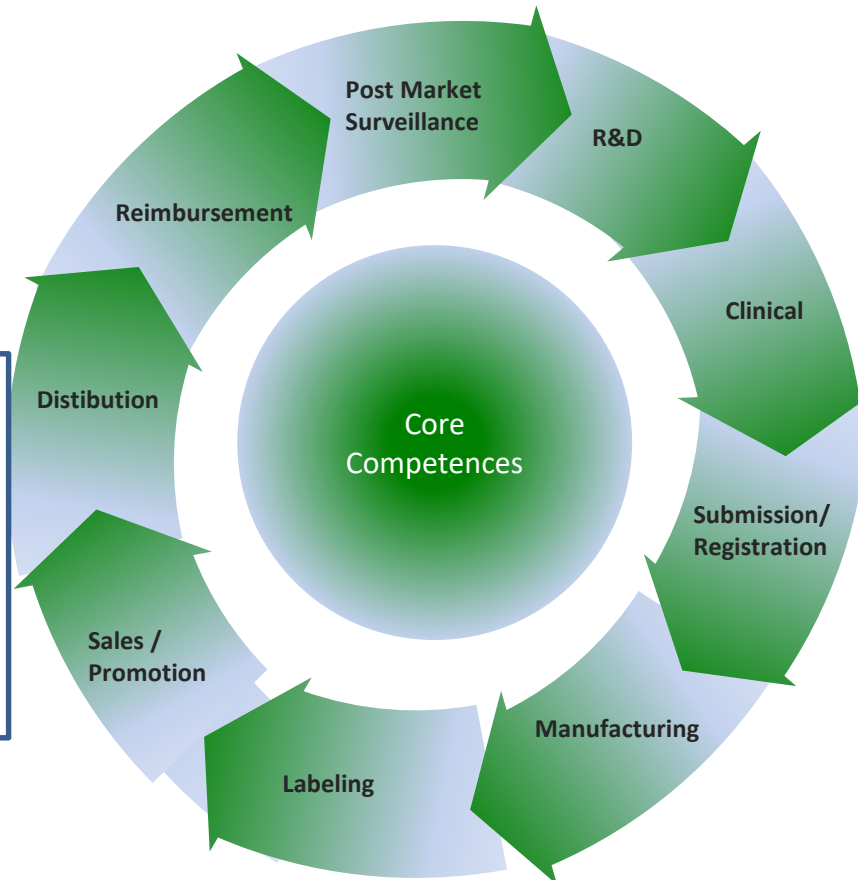
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- **Controller**

- **Clinical Affairs Specialist**

- **Distribution partners**

- **Sales support**



- **Scientist**

- **Product Manager**

- **Product Developer**

- **Regulatory Affairs hosting/QC and QA**

- **Operations Management**

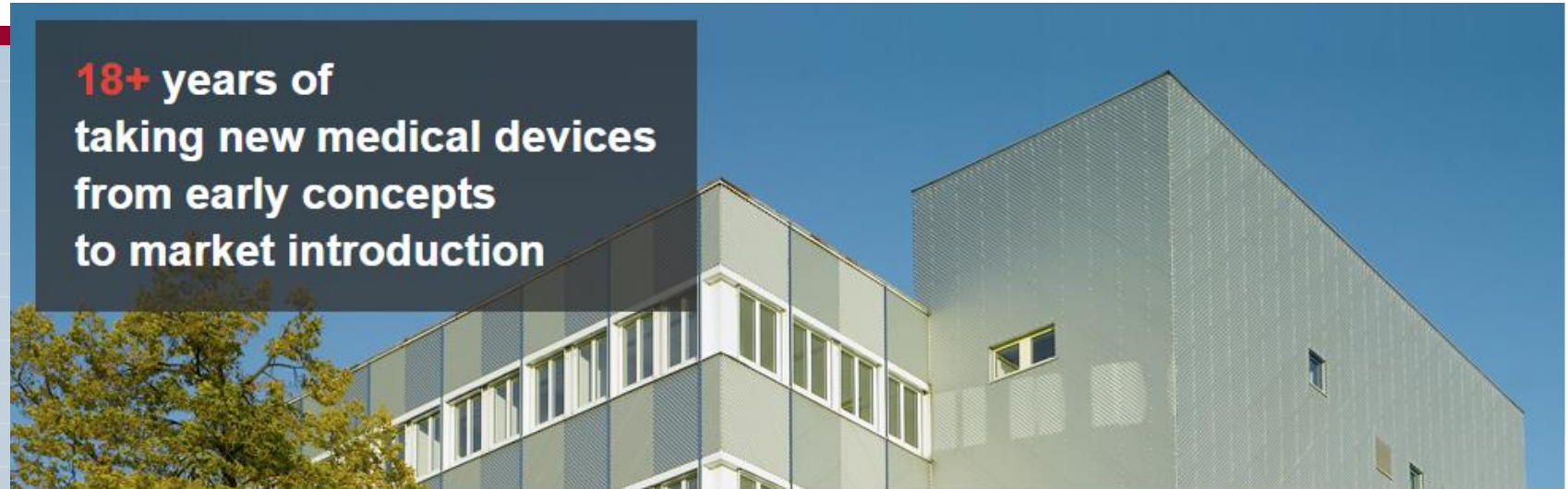
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# Why outsourcing? Initial investment, time to market, regulatory hosting (FDA)



**Nano4Imaging**

**18+ years of  
taking new medical devices  
from early concepts  
to market introduction**



## Comprehensive Services

We provide product development, regulatory and contract manufacturing services for minimally invasive medical devices for cardiology, cardiovascular, endoscopy, neurosurgery, gastrointestinal, respiratory, and other applications for a broad range of customers worldwide. We offer broad engineering experience, expert regulatory know-how, state of the art infrastructure, and a mature FDA inspected ISO 13485 certified quality management system to support market introduction of new medical devices in Europe, the United States and elsewhere.

### DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Complex catheters,  
introducer sheaths  
and implants

### REGULATORY SERVICES

FDA clearance, CE marking  
International device  
approvals, licensing and  
registration

### MANUFACTURING

OEM and legal manufacturer  
for complex catheter systems  
introducer sheaths and  
implants

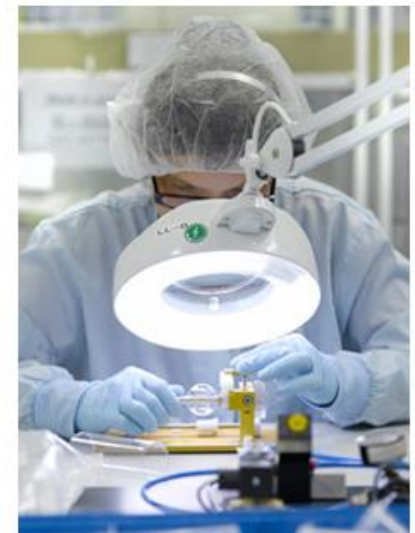


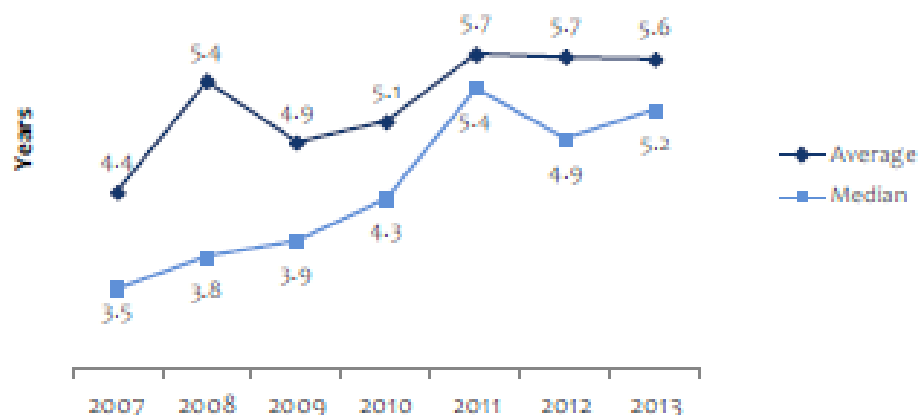


Exhibit 2

## Time to First 510(k) Clearance\*

(excl. outliers of <1 year and >16 years)

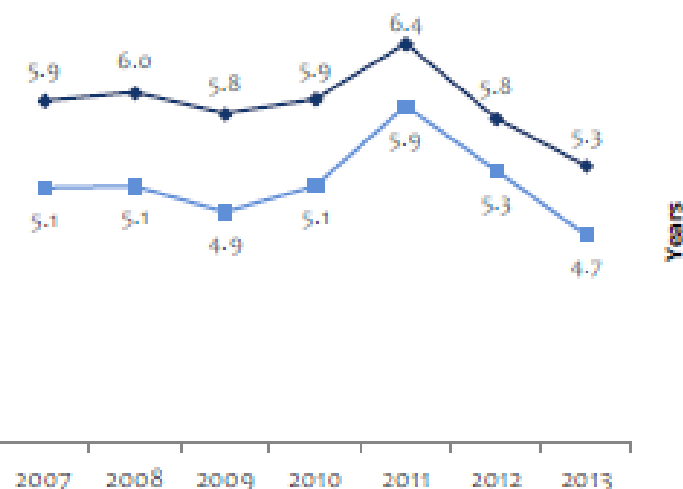
N=491, of which are 92% are Class II devices



## Time to First CE Mark\* for '510(k)' Companies

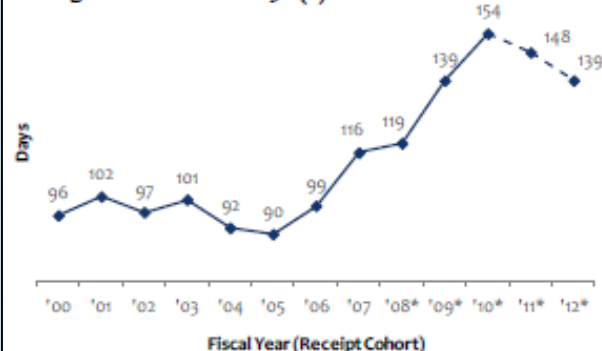
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N=288

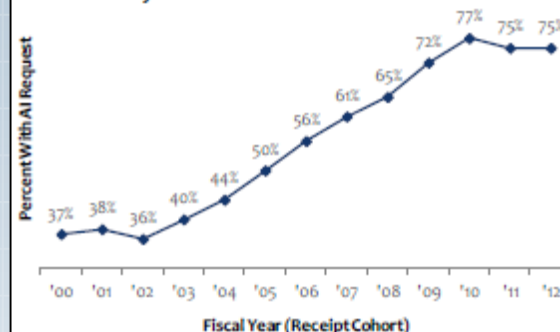


Hirsch, 2013

## Average Time to Decision: 510(k)s



## Percent of 510(k)s with Additional Information Request on 1<sup>st</sup> FDA Review Cycle



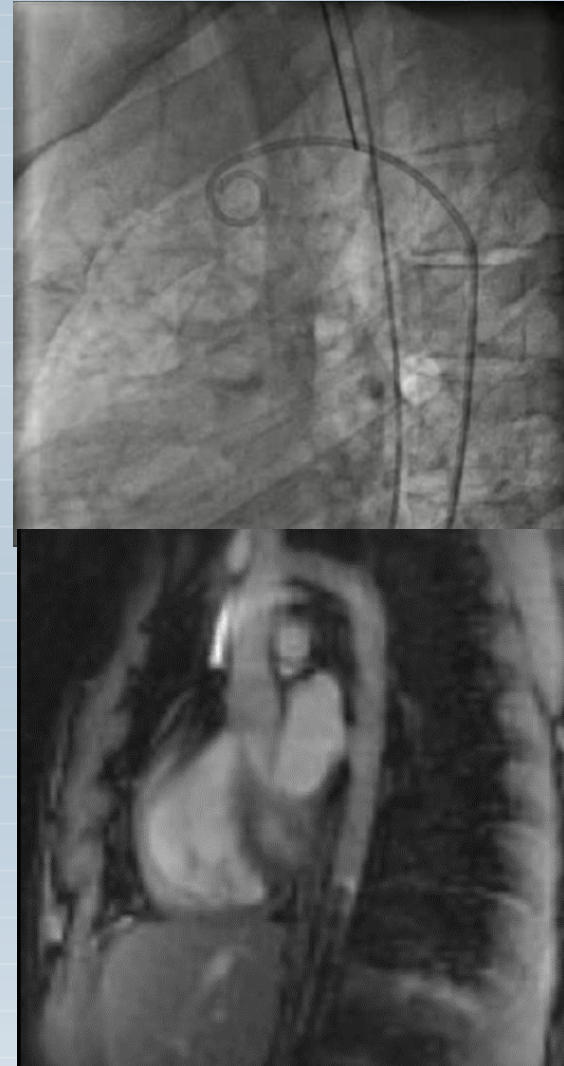
# Safety intravascular procedures



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- Damage to vessel wall
- Vessel wall rupture
- Tip detachment
- Device lost, stuck or broken
- Hemolysis
- Complications by contrast

**Visibility and tactile response  
are major issues**





- Class III product!
- Primary concern: no damage to vessels, heart
- Secondary concern: Safe in MRI (heating)
- Quality control
- PMCF (annual)
- Clinical evaluation

**FDA-510/CE- MDR**

- Safe-by design!
- **Avoid internal exposure to NP**
- Compare worst case exposure to existing use (Contrast agent)
- Be transparent on use
- Follow test guidelines

**ISO 10993 (1-11)**



# Arguments using nanoparticles incorporated in medical device: PRO



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- **No contrast agent in blood**
- **Markers make device visible and enable navigation of product in method visualizing vessel wall and organ**
- **No regulatory issues of iv contrast**
- **No risk for side effects (kidney, brain) of conventional MRI contrast agents (Gd)**

# Nanoparticles enable the use of MRI for interventions: PRO



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## SAFETY PATIENT & STAFF

- No exposure to radiation for patient and staff!
- Soft tissue visibility (vessel wall, heart, liver, brain)
- No or less iv contrast.

## CLINICAL PROCEDURE

- Diagnostic power of MRI during intervention
- One-stop shop procedures

# Arguments using nanoparticles in medical device: CON



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- **Particles may get into bloodstream upon rupture of guidewire or sleeve (bigger problem is the ruptured wire)**
- **In normal conditions no human exposure to NP**

RIVM report 265001002 / 2005

## Nanotechnology in medical applications: Possible risks for human health

W.H. de Jong, B. Roszek, R.E. Geertsma

Sponsor: Department of Pharmaceutical Affairs and Medical Technology,  
Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sports, The Netherlands

Downloadable from [www.rivm.nl](http://www.rivm.nl)

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### ***Nanotechnology-based devices on the market***

- Surgical tools
- Contrast agents for molecular imaging
- Bone replacement materials
- Pacemakers and hearing aids using spintronics (nano-electronics)
- DNA/protein microarrays and lab-on-a-chip for in vitro molecular diagnostics
- Wound dressings incorporating nanocrystalline silver particles

Meanwhile (15 years):

- Many EU framework programmes and strategies completed
- Few medical products on the market (clinical)
- Even less testing guidelines (OECD)

# Current biocomp testing

## ISO 10993 (1-11)- max 24 hrs use



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Testing medical device  
Is driven by category,  
Tissue contact and time

Tested materials:

- Extracts
- Leachates
- Full device (clotting)

Tests:

- Outdated
- Inadequate
- Irrelevant
- Animal numbers

Table A.1 — Evaluation tests for consideration

Medical device categorization by			Biological effect							
nature of body contact (see 5.2)		contact duration (see 5.3)								
Category	Contact	A – limited (≤ 24 h) B – prolonged (> 24 h to 30 d) C – permanent (> 30 d)	Cytotoxicity	Sensitization	Irritation or intracutaneous reactivity	Systemic toxicity (acute)	Subchronic toxicity (subacute toxicity)	Genotoxicity	Implantation	Haemocompatibility
Surface device		A	X <sup>a</sup>	X	X					
		B	X	X	X					
		C	X	X	X					
	Mucosal membrane	A	X	X	X					
		B	X	X	X					
		C	X	X	X		X	X		
External communicating device	Breached or compromised surface	A	X	X	X					
		B	X	X	X					
		C	X	X	X		X	X		
	Blood path, indirect	A	X	X	X	X				X
		B	X	X	X	X				X
		C	X	X		X	X	X		X
	Tissue/bone/dentin	A	X	X	X					
		B	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
		C	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Implant device	Circulating blood	A	X	X	X	X				X
		B	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
		C	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Tissue/bone	A	X	X	X					
		B	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
		C	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Blood	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
		B	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
		C	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

<sup>a</sup> The crosses indicate data endpoints that can be necessary for a biological safety evaluation, based on a risk analysis. Where existing data are adequate, additional testing is not required.



## ISO 10993- tests (FDA/CE) on device

### Potential relevant effects of NP:

- ✓ Dose: worst-case product driven
- ✓ hemolysis (checked)
- ✓ complement activation (checked)
- ✓ Blood coagulation activation
- ✓ Kidney and liver clearance (contrast agent comparison)
- ✓ Accumulation in spleen (literature)
- ✓ Organ translocation (literature)
- ✓ Any suggestions?