

# **Le giornate della salute e del benessere: Innovazione e Ricerca**

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*L'utilizzo dei nanomateriali e delle nanotecnologie nell'industria e nel settore medico: vantaggi problemi e prospettive future*

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Nanotechnology value chains impact three key sectors



Electronics  
and IT



Manufacturing  
and materials

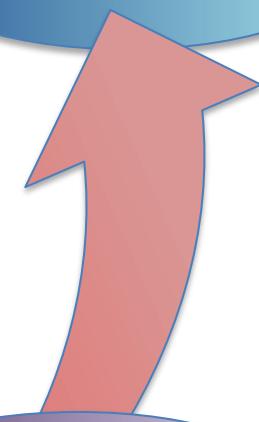


Healthcare  
and life sciences



Good incorporating  
nanotechnology-enabled  
elements

**Nano-Enabled  
Products**



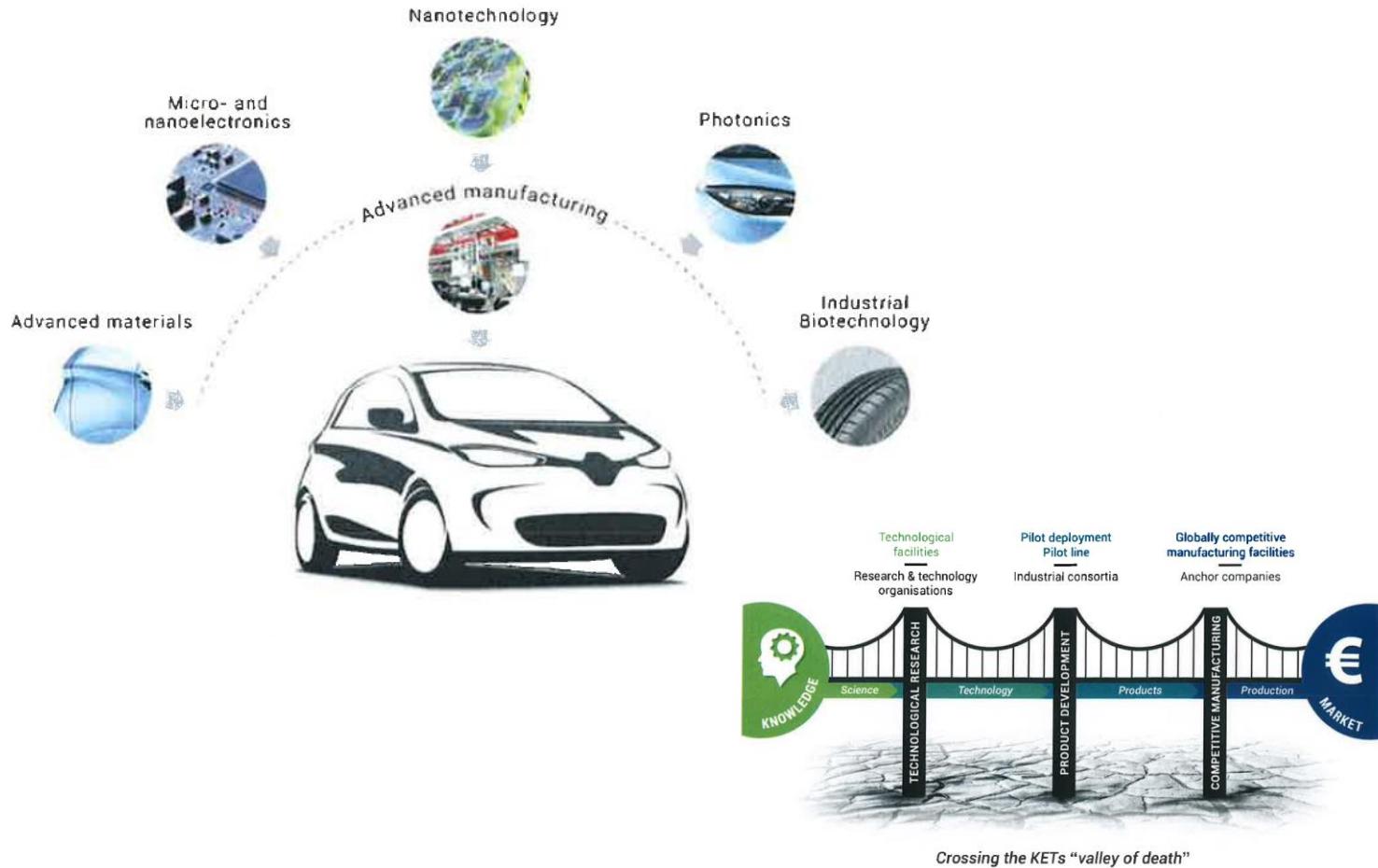
Nanoscale materials in unprocessed form

(Nano)materials  
development

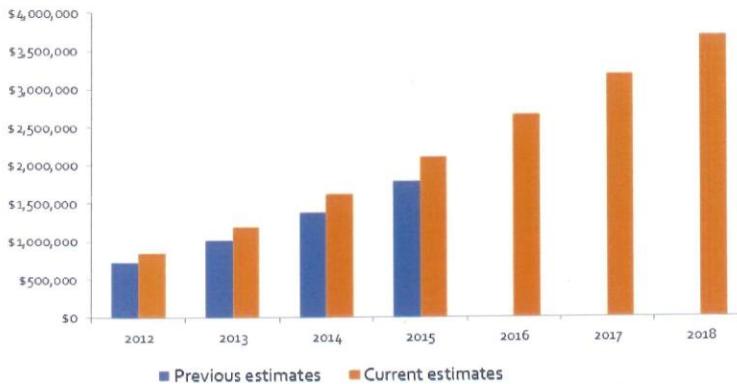
Intermediate products with  
nanoscale features

**Product  
Formulation**

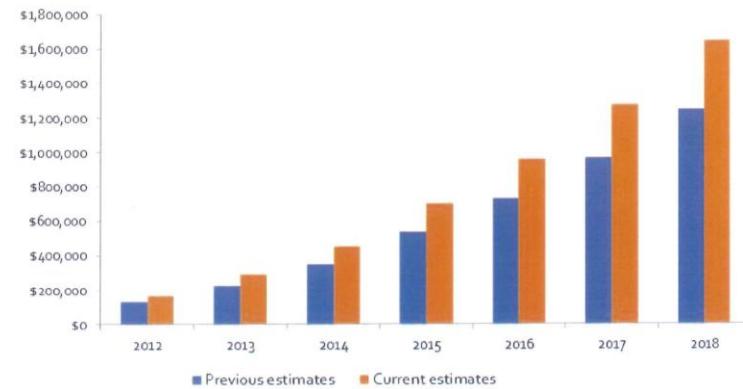
# Key enabling technologies



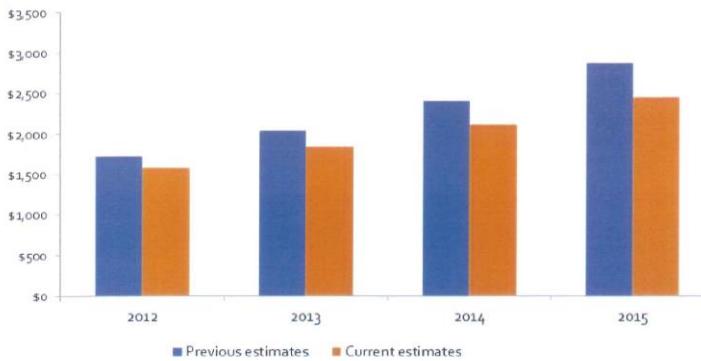
**Nano-enabled product revenue**  
(US\$ millions)



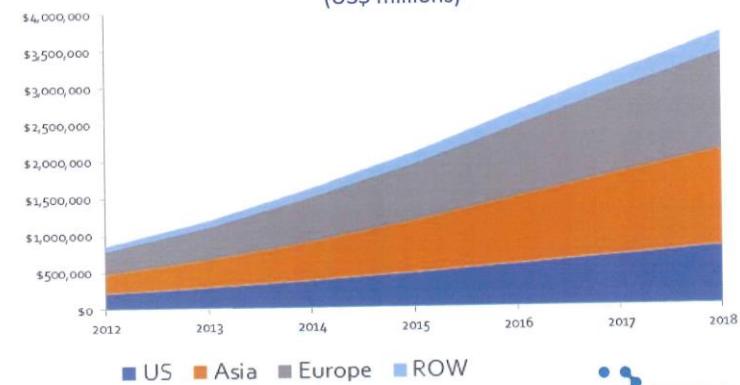
**Nanointermediates revenue**  
(US\$ millions)



**Nanomaterials revenue**  
(US\$ millions)



**Nano-enabled product revenue**  
**geographical distribution**  
(US\$ millions)



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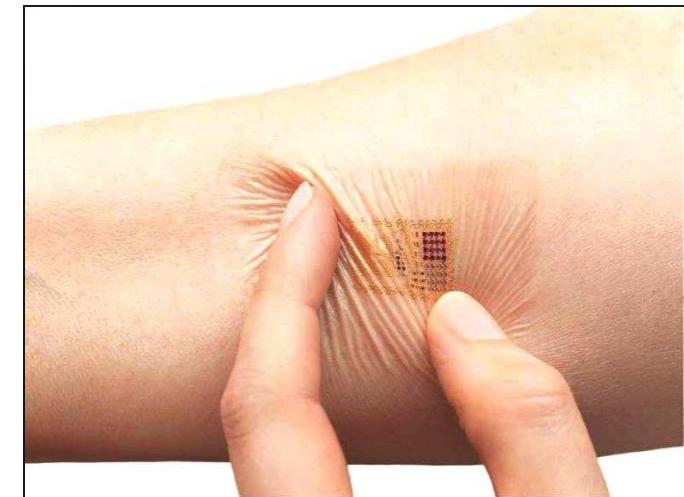
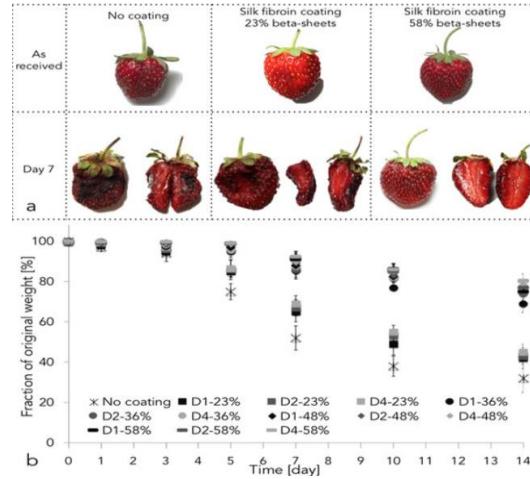
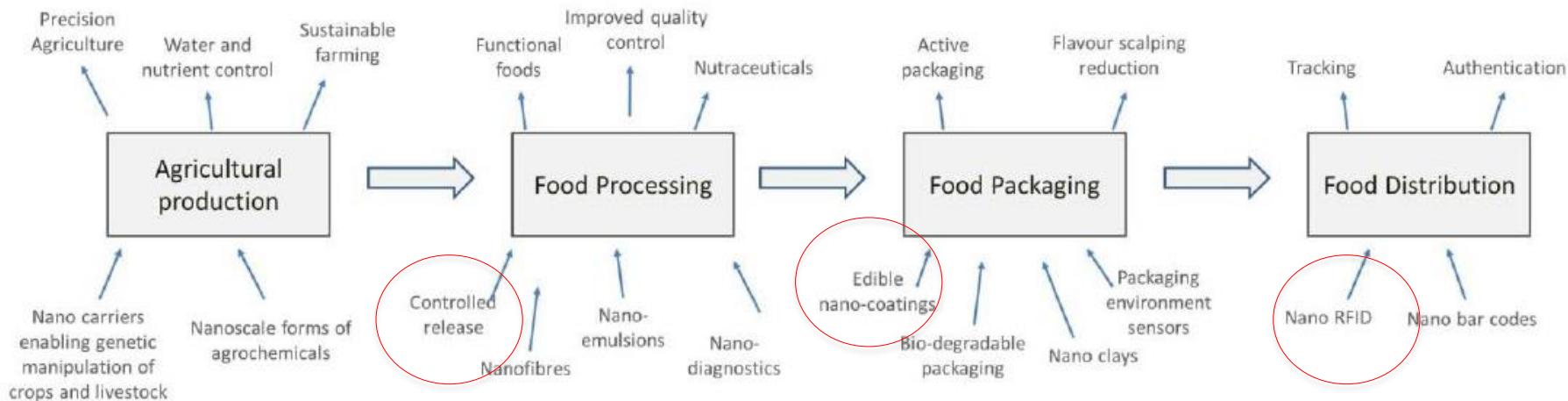
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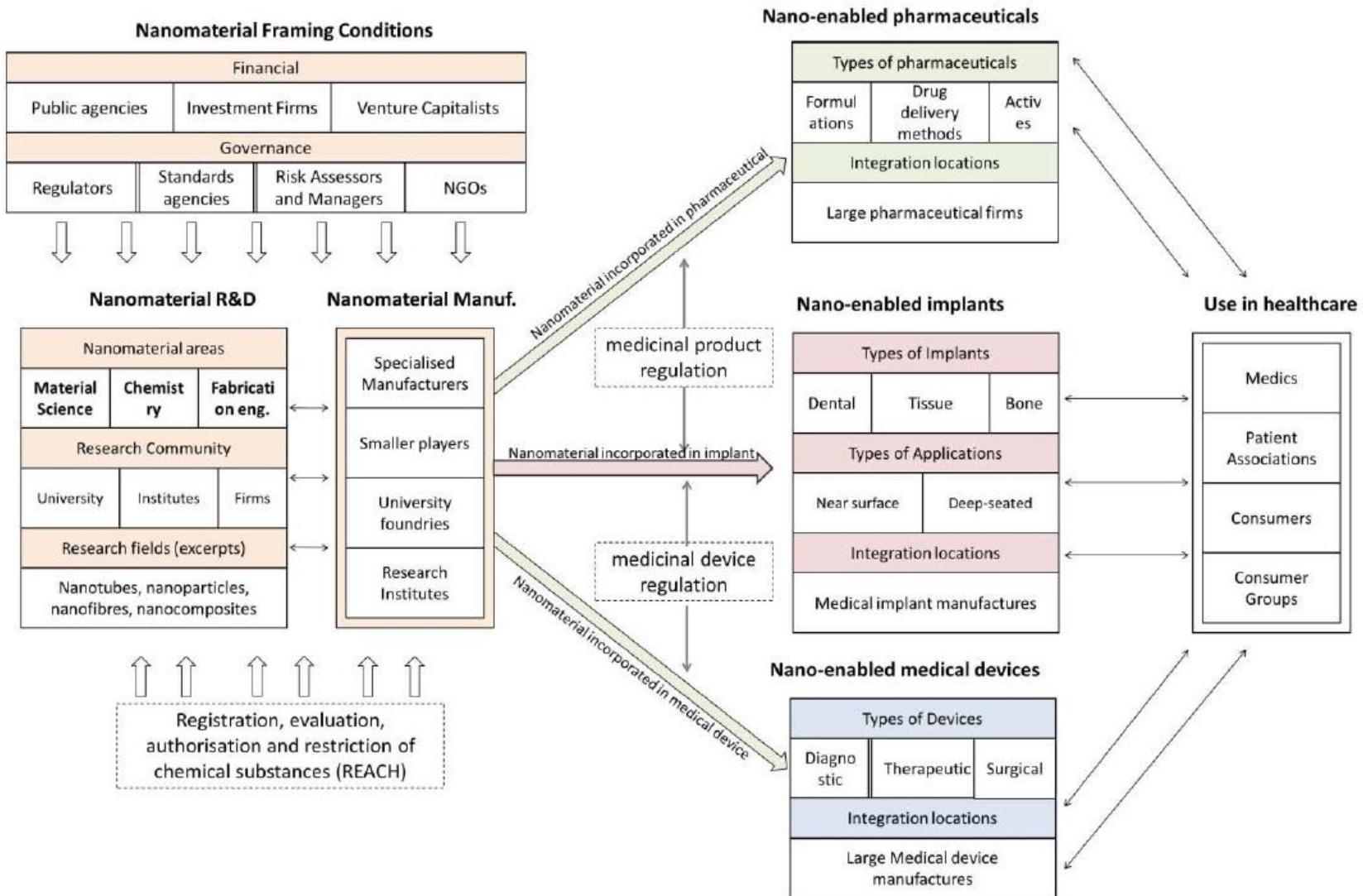
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Nano-element	Function/role	Enabled innovation	Envisioned product
Nanomaterial	Antibacterial coating	Food processing	Safe Jam / Jelly
Nanocrystal	Photon conversion	Photo-voltaics	Competitive solar cell options
Nanobiosensor	Improved detection	Medical diagnostic	Disease detection
Nanobiopolymer	Biopolymer with Rigid and fluid impermeable	Food and drink packaging	Biodegradable and biosourced packaging

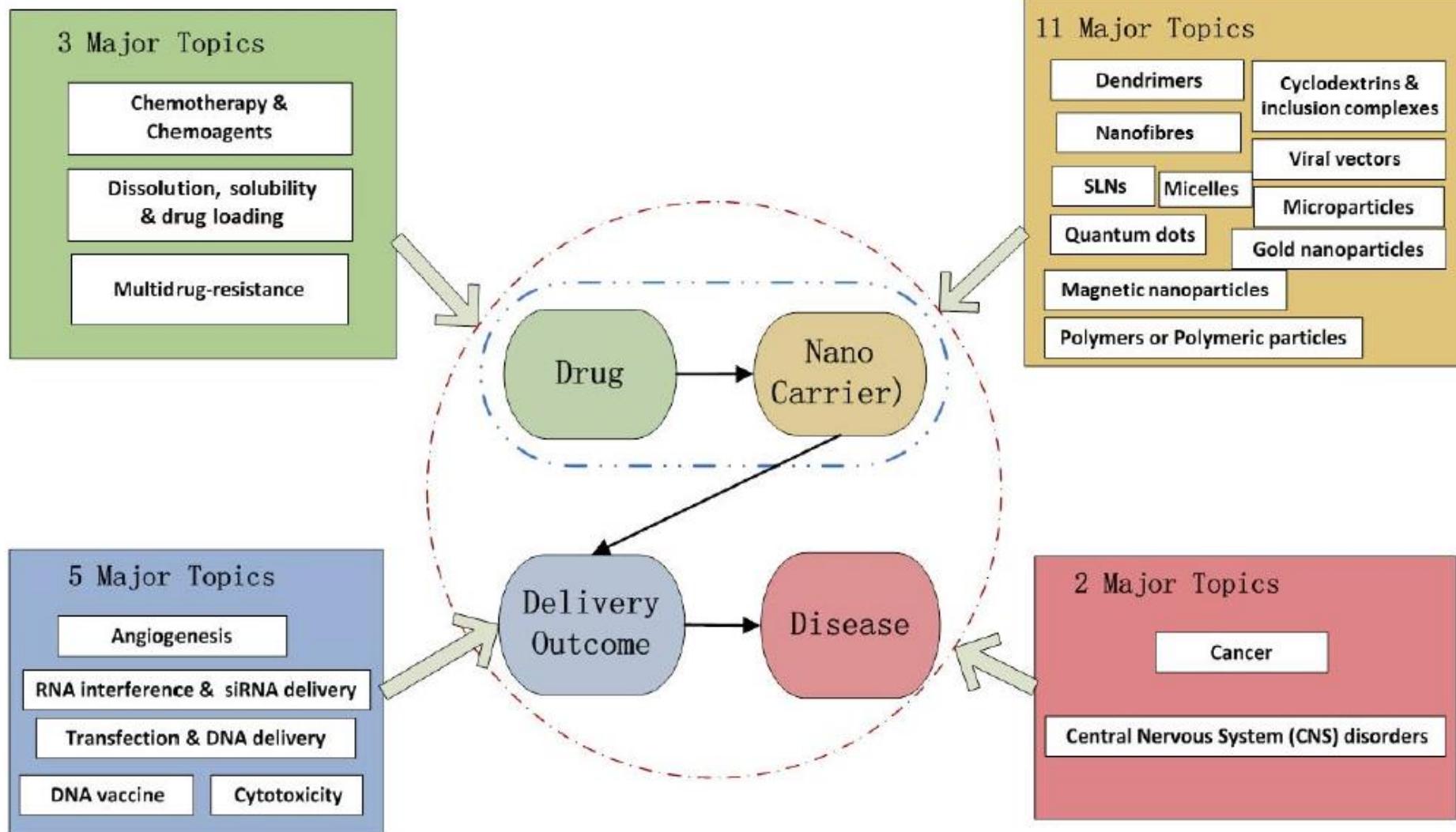
- Sustainable and green packaging (using nanobiomaterials)
- Targeted drug delivery and controlled drug release (using nanoparticles and nanobiomaterials)
- Neurotechnologies for health and well-being (using nanomaterials and sensors)
- Food safety and security (through advanced sensors)

# Food value chain from farm to fork



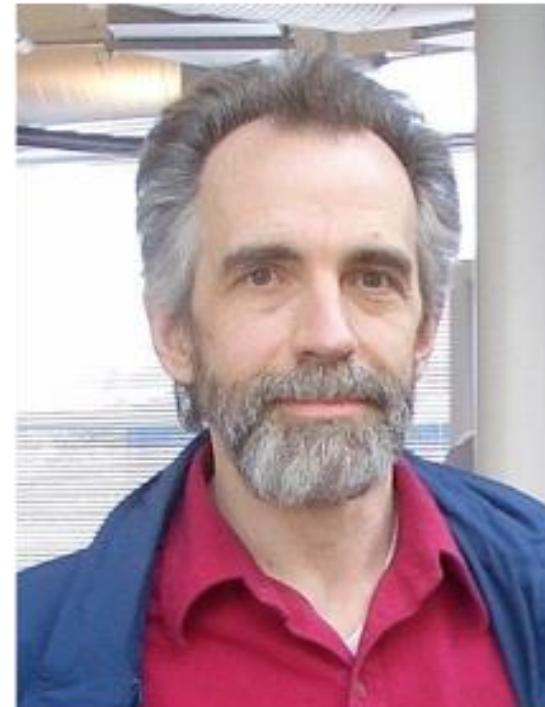
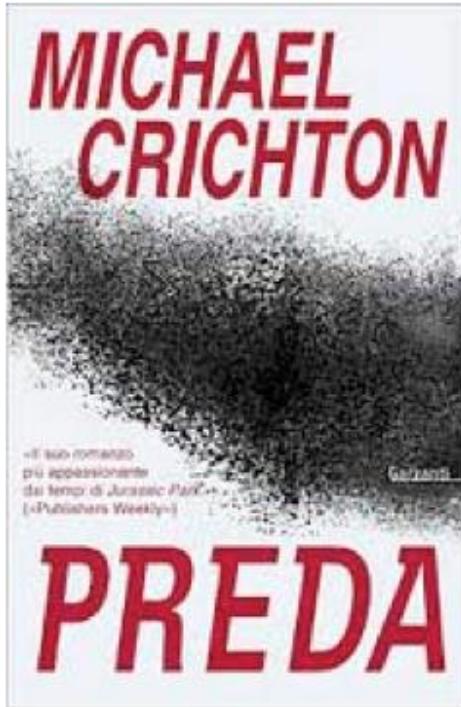


# Nano enabled drug delivery system

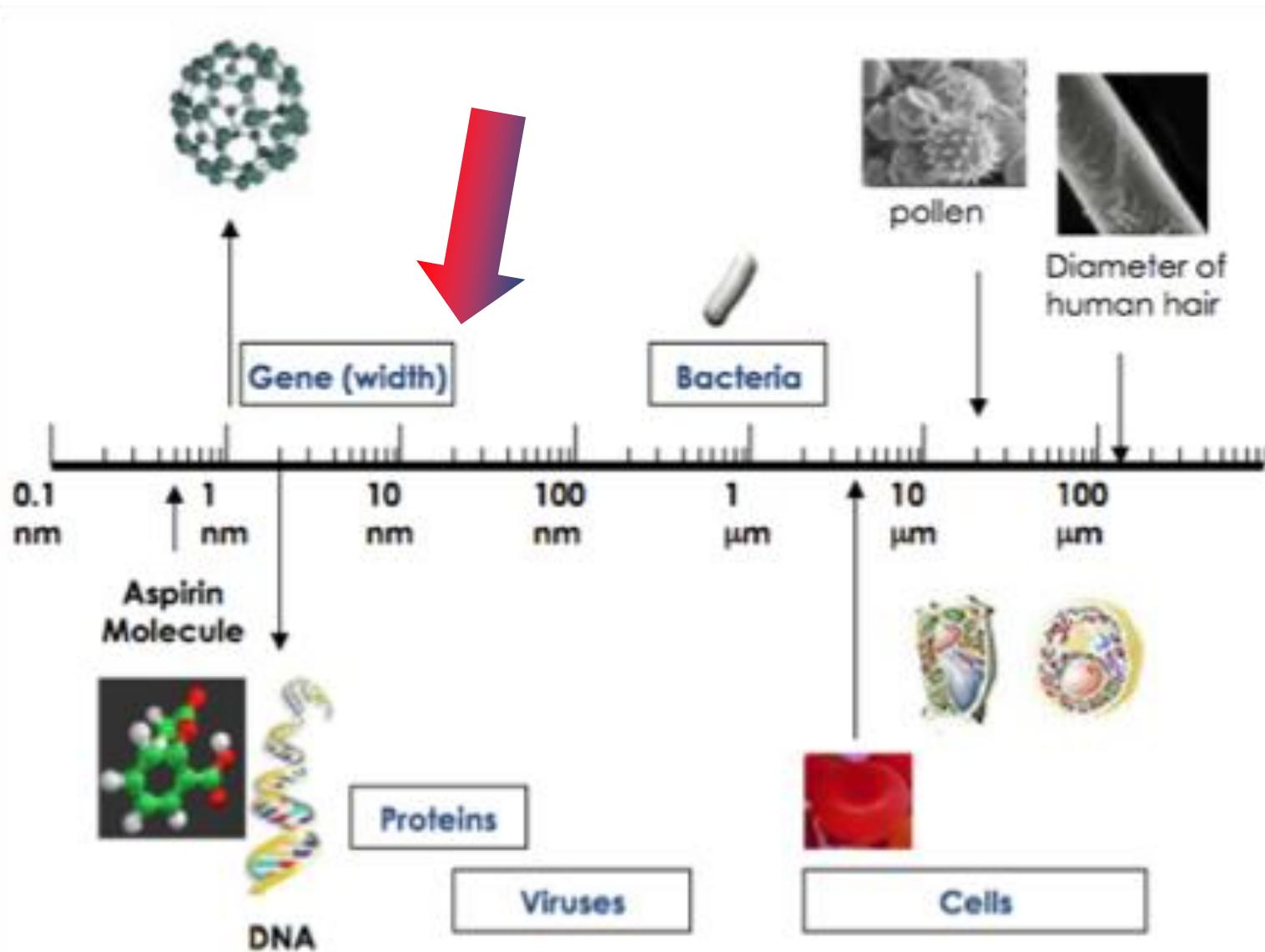


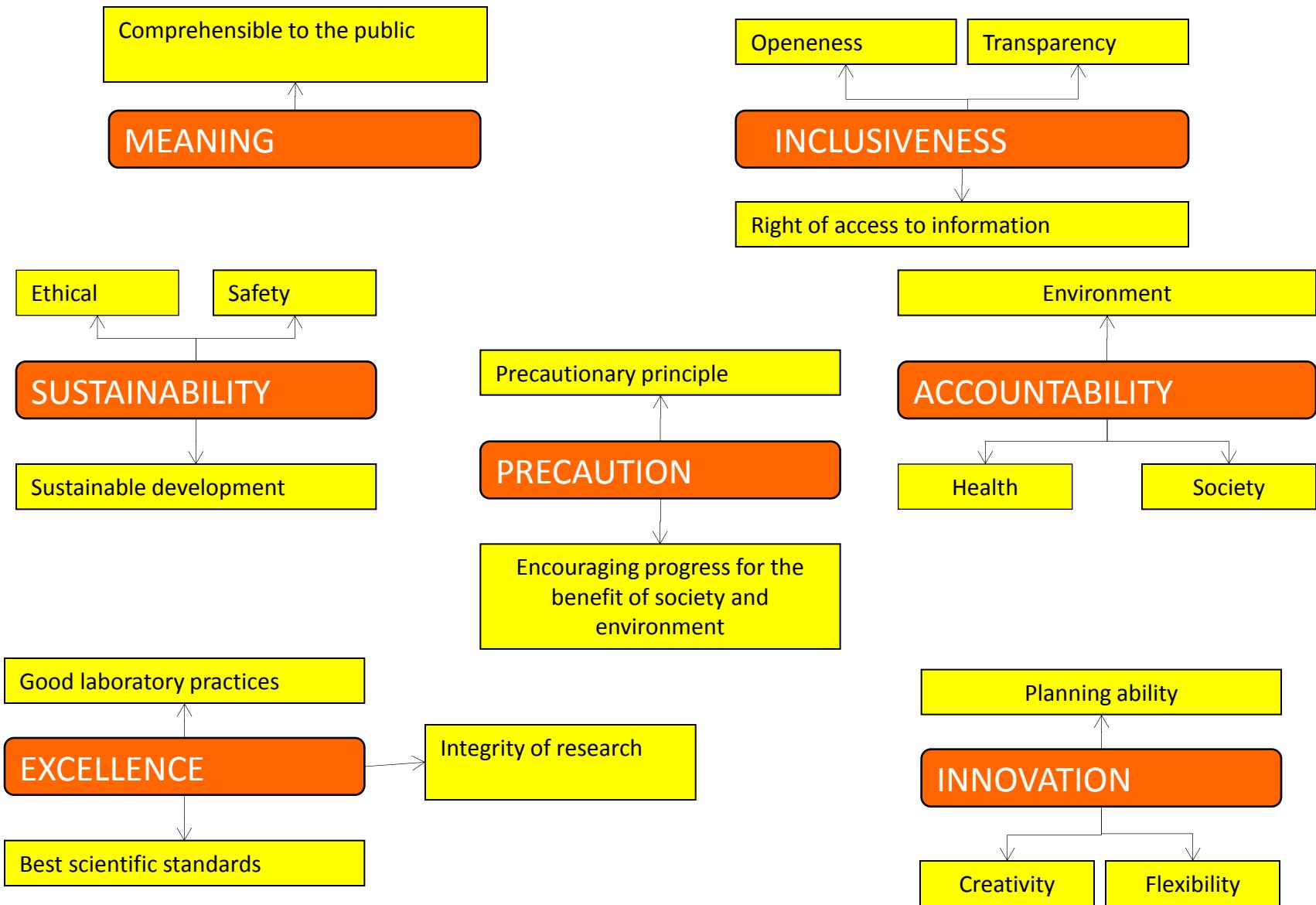
Adapted from Zhou, X., A.L. Porter, D. K. R. Robinson and Y. Guo, (201

GREY GOO, la “nuvola oscura” dell’ apocalisse

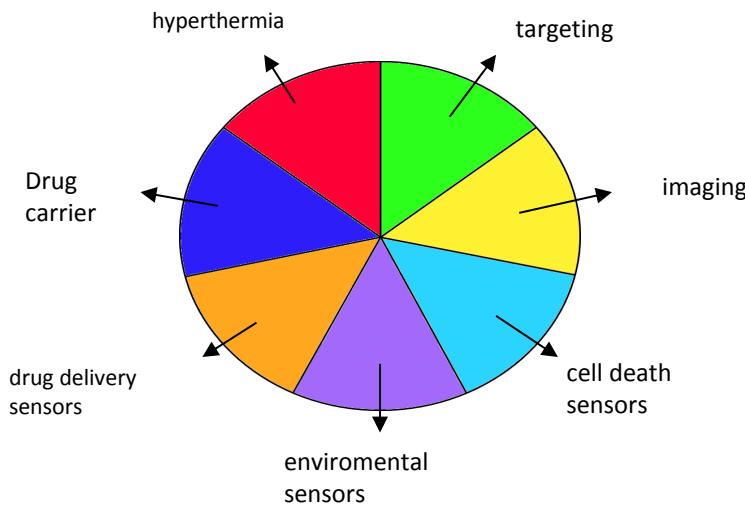


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## (THERApy +-diagNOSTIC)



**THERAPY**

Magnetic Fluid Hyperthermia

Heat-Drug Action

**DIAGNOSIS**

Imaging MRI

NIR Imaging

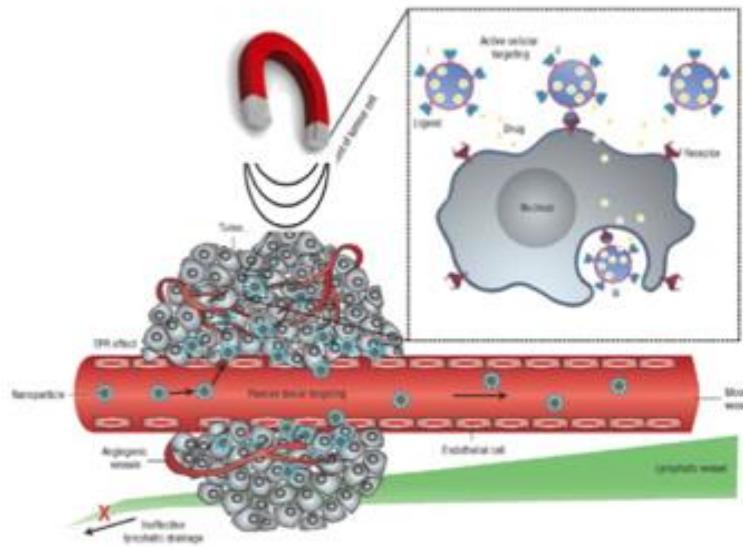
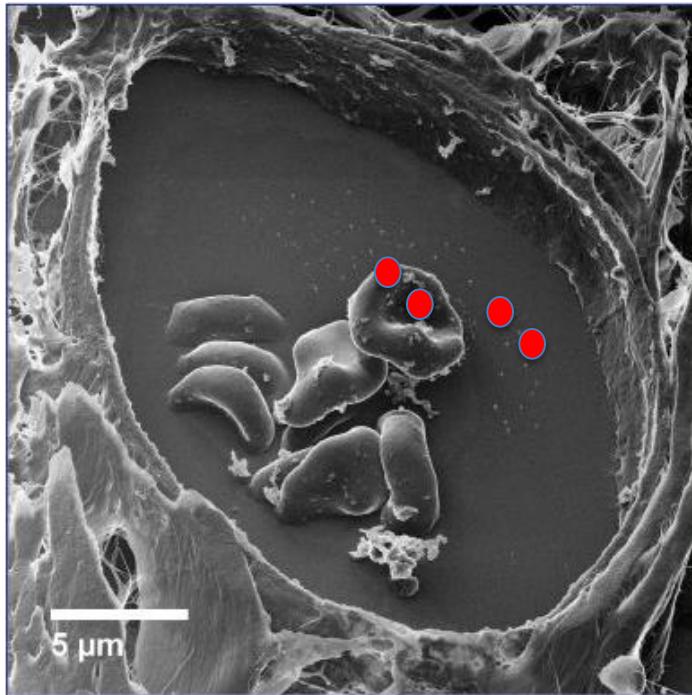
SPECT-PET

**SENSORING**

Temperature, pH nanosensors

Drug release sensors

Cell death sensors

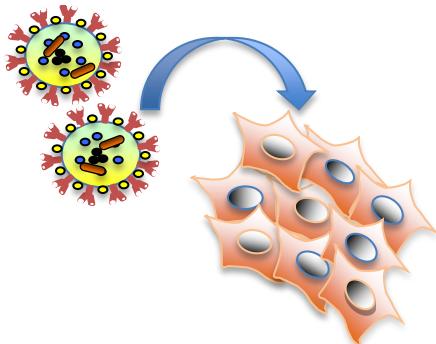


- EPR Enhanced permeation and retention
- Active Cellular Targeting
- Magnetic targeting

## Hybrid Au/magnetic nano-carrier features

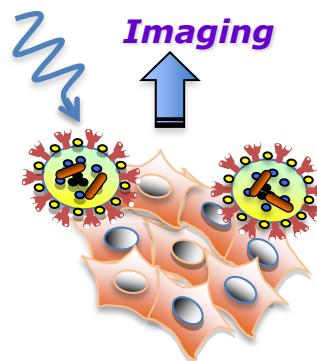
### TARGETING

Systems containing specific targeting unit may be selectively accumulated around the tumor cells



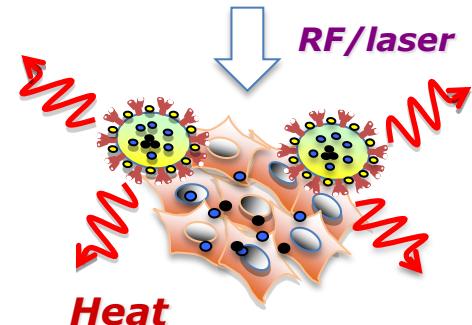
### DIAGNOSIS

The loaded magnetic nanoparticles can be visualized with specific imaging techniques (**MRI**); the labeling with **fluorescent dye** allows the Nano Bio Reactor to be used in **fluorescence imaging**

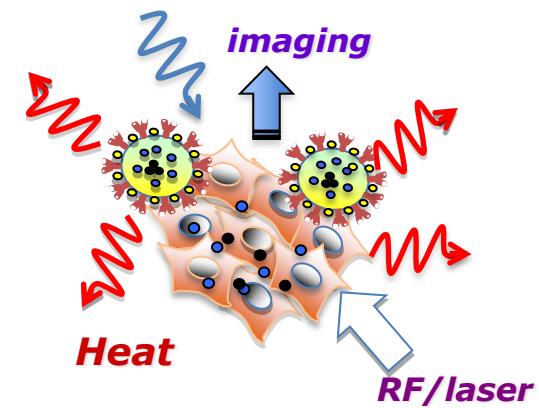


### THERAPY

The hyperthermic activation, the controlled drugs release (**paclitaxel, doxorubicin, cis-platinum, gemcitabine**) and/or their joint action, act as therapeutic effect



### ***THERANOSTIC***



**Photo-thermal transducer** (gold nanorods): hyperthermia and drug release triggered by laser activation (surface penetration, ultra-fast conversion → extreme localization of the thermal effect), dark field microscopy, TC



Fluorescent dye



Monoclonal antibody  
(**hERG; EGF**; ...)



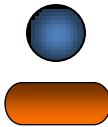
Biocompatible Copolymer  
(**PLGA-PEG**)

**Magneto-thermal transducer** (magnetite nanospheres): hyperthermia and drug delivery triggered by magnetic activation (excellent penetration → no endoscopy/laparoscopy, slow conversion); MRI

***Theranostic Object:***  
Therapeutic and diagnostic  
Joint action.

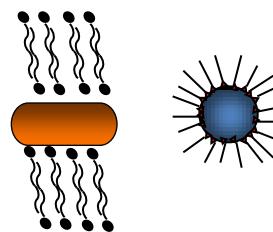
# Nano-engineering platform

Magnetic nanoparticles synthesis



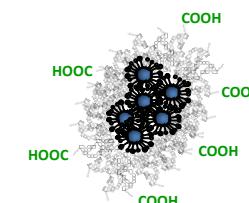
Gold nanorods synthesis

Functionalization

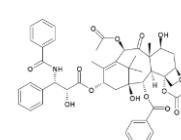


*Functional Biopolymer*

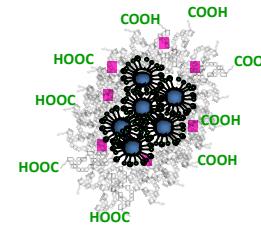
Encapsulation



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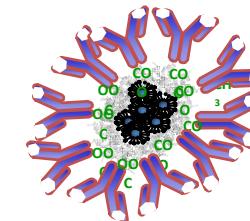


PLGA-PEG-COOH



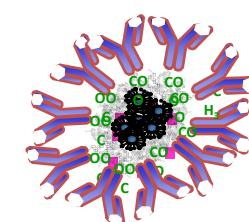
*Drug loaded nano bio reactor*

Targeting

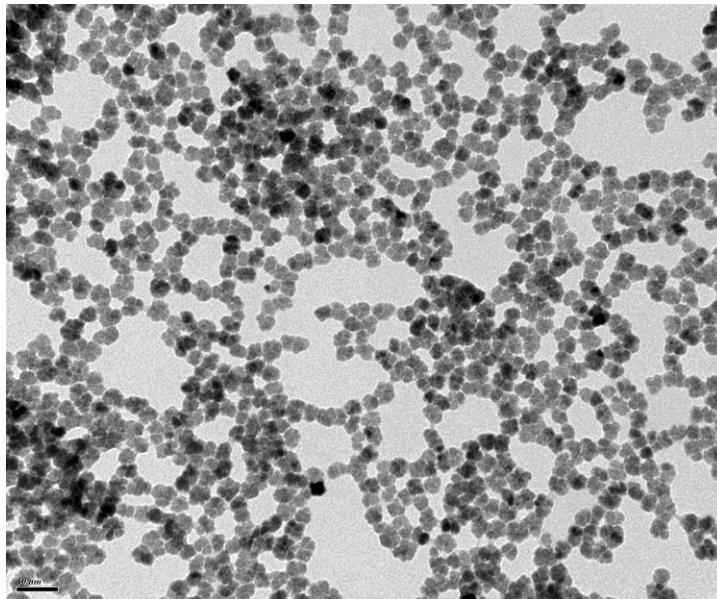


*Targeting  
Labelling  
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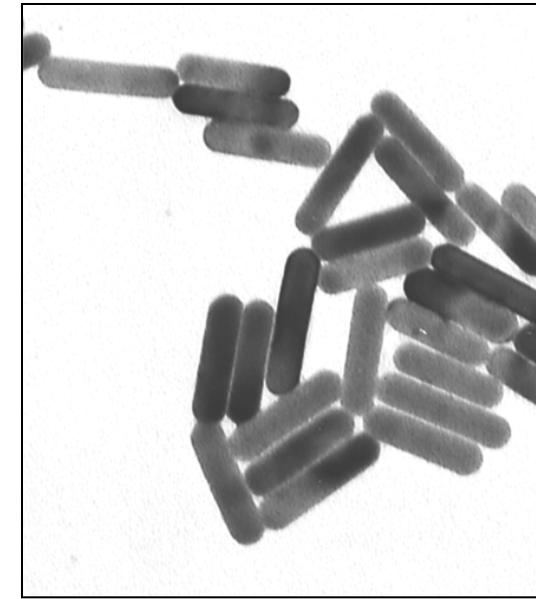
Targeting



## Nanoparticles

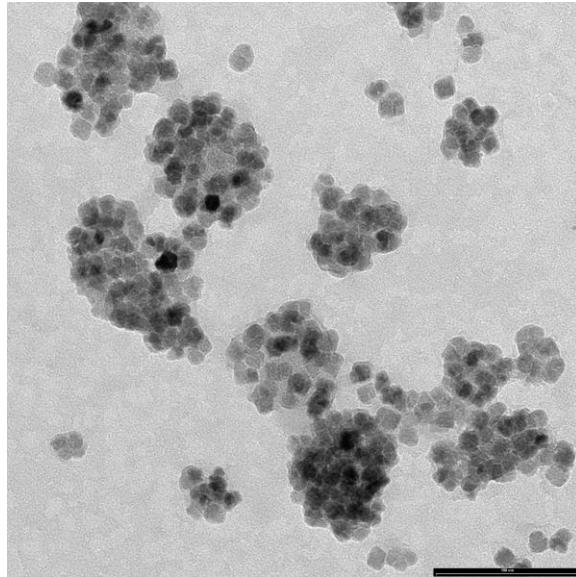
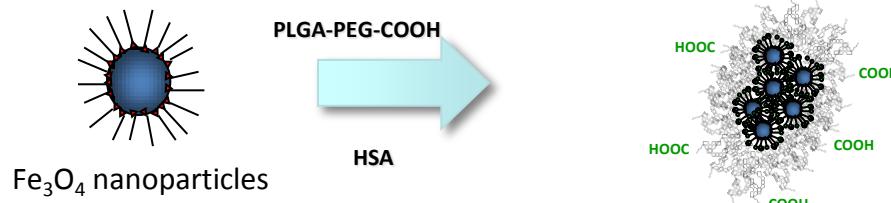


Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> superparamagnetic nanoparticles

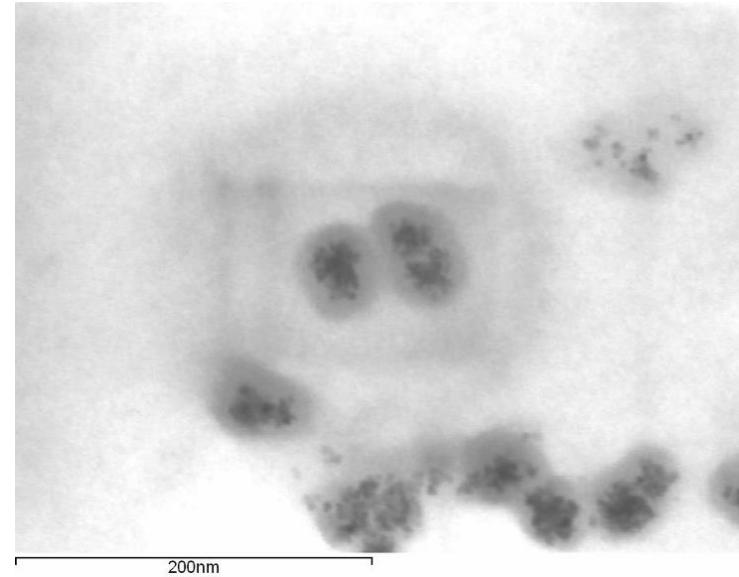


Au<sup>0</sup> nanorods

## Magnetic nano bio reactors

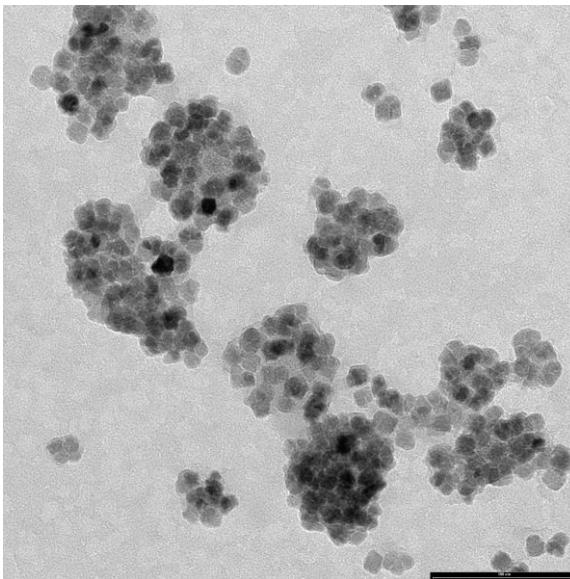
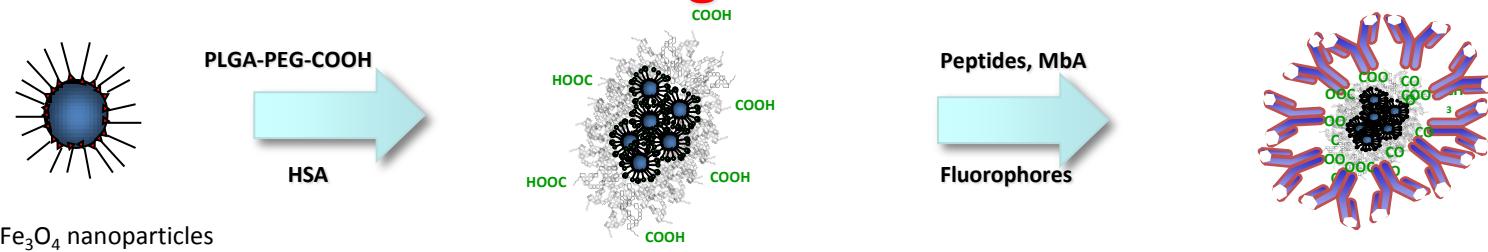


Hybrid magnetic Nps coated with PEG-  
PLGA polymer

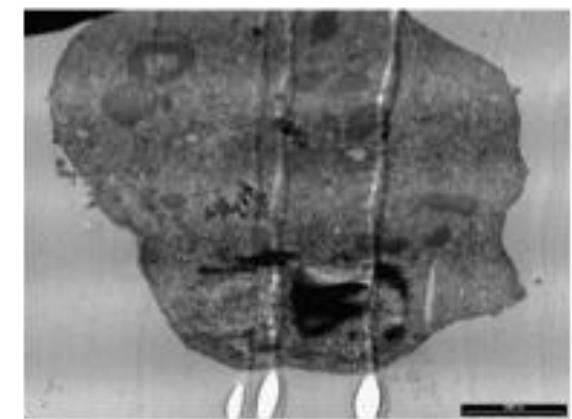
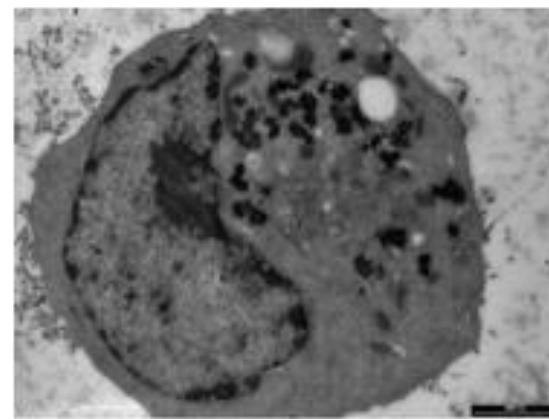


Hybrid magnetic Nps coated with albumine

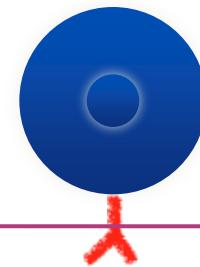
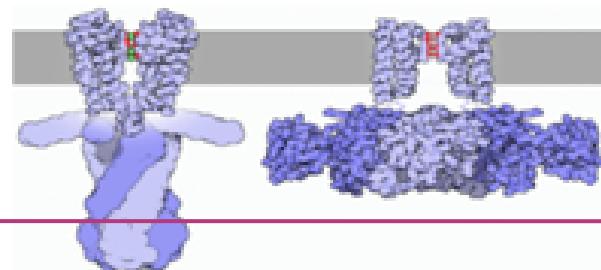
*The magic bullet*



Hybrid magnetic Nps coated with PEG-PLGA polymer and linked with h-Erg1



Up-take in MIA PaCa-2s



## Experimental approach to the determination of the power generated by magnetic fluids

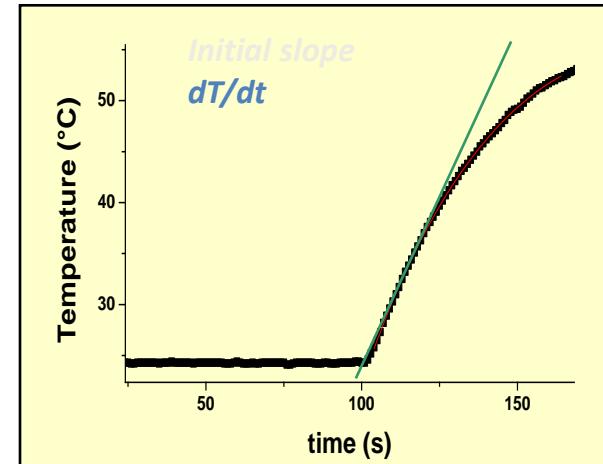
$$SAR = \frac{\sum_i m_i C_{si}}{m_{Oxide}} \cdot \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta t} \quad \left[ \frac{W}{gr} \right]$$

*i*: species involved in heat exchange;

$m_{Me}$ : metal mass in the sample [g];

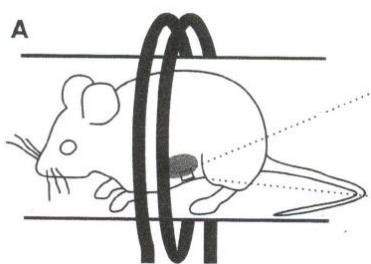
$t_{risc}$ : irradiating time [s];

$Q_i$ : heat absorbed by each species ( $Q_i = m_i * c_s * \Delta T$ ).



Different coil diameters in order to host different samples ( $\phi$

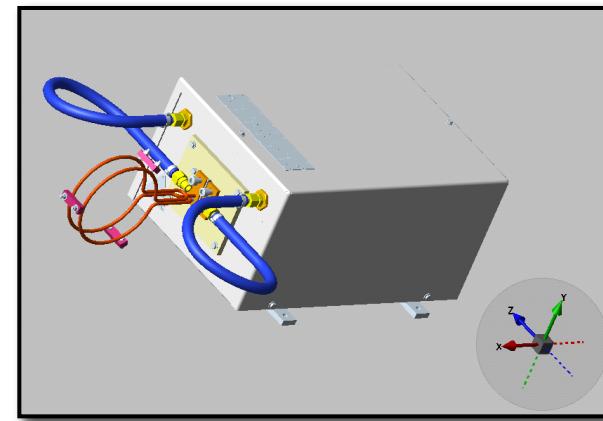
3 - 15 cm)



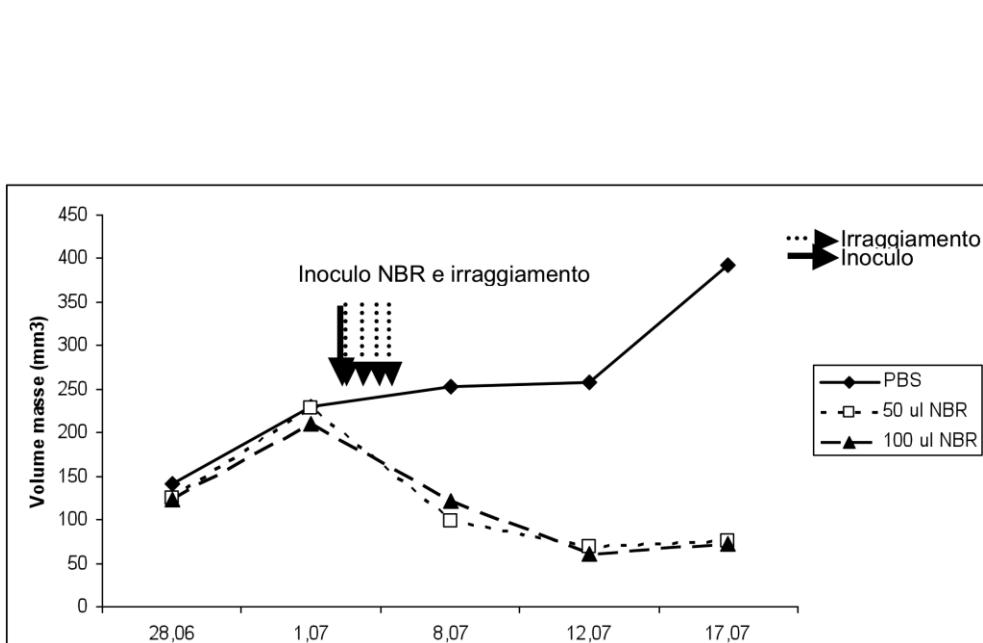
Even suitable for in vivo tests

### Applied Conditions:

Irradiating frequency	100 - 400 kHz
Heating time	30 - 60 minutes
Applied field	15 - 20 kA/m



***In-vivo efficiency test on xenograft model of pancreatic cancer PDAC cells***

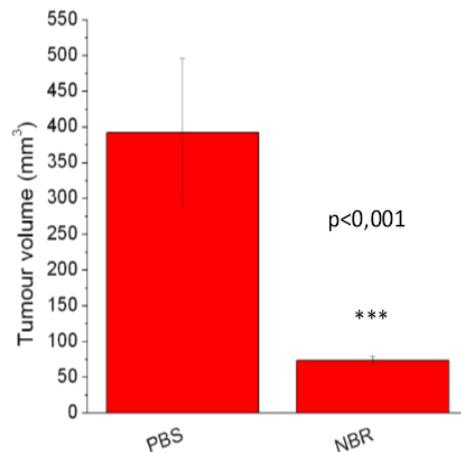


NBR "nude" particles 0,1%

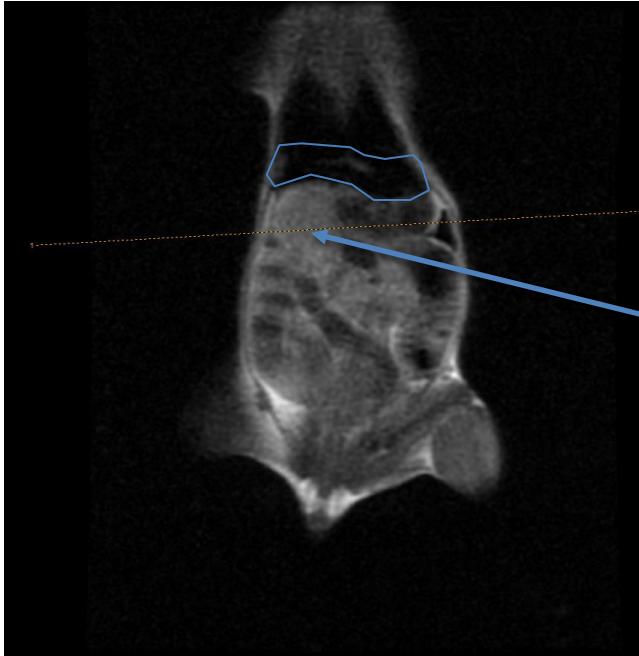
....→ Irraggiamento  
 → Inoculo NBR



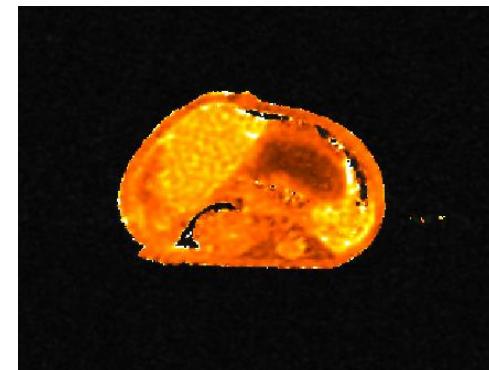
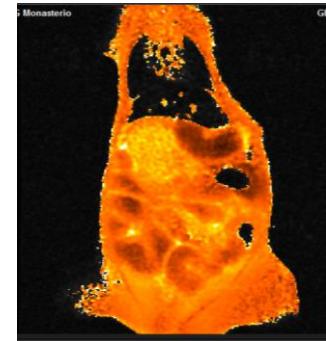
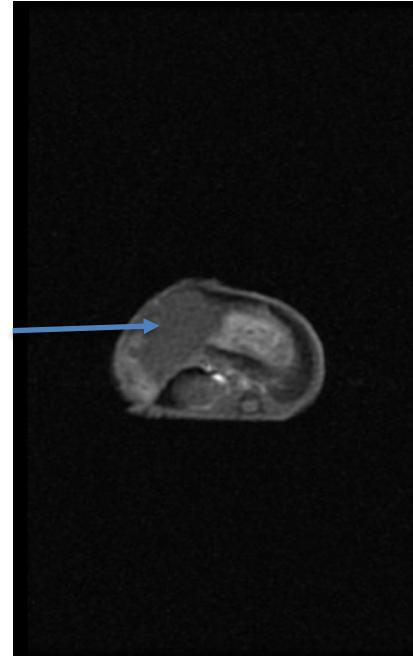
Efficacia irraggiamento



## *T2 weighted images of pancreatic tumours*



Lesione



Tumour bearing mouse :  
injected animal (mouse 6)  
**T2 weighted images** of axial (right) and  
coronal (upper) sections

**T2 mapping** of the axial section  
(ms) **Yellow**

Con la nanotecnologia si riesce a progettare un materiale a livello degli atomi e degli elettroni. In questa maniera possiamo sviluppare prodotti con caratteristiche nuove e peculiari.

La convergenza tecnologica in aree di ricerca strategica permette la creazione di catene del valore verso prodotti che integrano in maniera ottimale le nanotecnologie e KET. (Medicale-food-ICT)

In nanomedicina emerge con sempre maggior forza la necessità di sviluppare sistemi nano teranostici per la cura di patologie complesse (cancro, malattie neurologiche)

Come in tutti i settori della ricerca che studiano nuovi materiali e tecniche si deve porre la massima attenzione ad uno sviluppo sostenibile che tenga conto di principi etici di comportamento



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