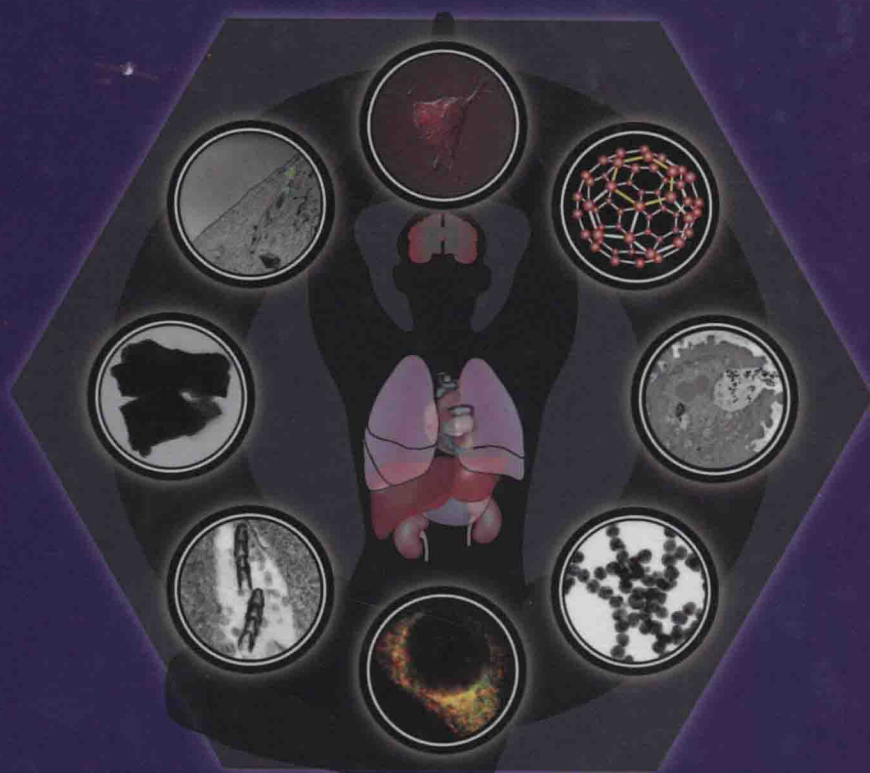


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Preface

Nanotechnology promises new materials for industrial applications by having new or enhanced physicochemical properties that are different in comparison to their micrometer-sized counterparts. The market size for nanotechnology is expected to grow to over \$3 trillion by 2015. As in all industrial applications, the potential exposure of humans and the environment to these materials is inevitable. As these new materials go through their life cycle—from development, to manufacture, to consumer usage, to final disposal—different human groups (e.g., workers, bystanders, or consumers), environmental compartments (e.g., air, soil, sediment, or water), and species (e.g., worm, fish, or human) will be exposed to these materials. Emerging data have shown a range of toxic (hazardous) effects from engineered nanoparticles, suggesting that combined with the potential exposure these nanoparticles may result in a risk (product of hazard and exposure) to human health or the environment. Although standard methods exist for hazard and risk analysis of conventional chemicals, these tools need to be modified and verified before being applied to nanomaterials. In a similar way, presently used standard approaches to risk management, control, and reduction need to be rendered relevant for nanomaterials. Thus, the development of nanotechnology-based products must be complemented with appropriate validated methods to assess, monitor, manage, and reduce the potential risks of engineered nanomaterials (ENMs) to human health and the environment. Not only good management tools are important but public awareness is also important for industrial development and acceptance. Public mistrust of any new technology is often high, and demonstrating *safe* products of nanotechnology will enhance the confidence of consumers, workers, and other stakeholders. Hence, efficient communication strategies to the public and stakeholders of significant progress are of high importance.

Many concerns have been expressed as to the safety of ENMs. There has been a concerted effort among government agencies, industrial sponsors, academicians, scientists, and the public to try to identify the potential hazards of nanotechnology. The first edition of this book provided the basic knowledge of nanomaterials safety and discussed the proper use for characterization, nomenclature standards, and physicochemical characteristics of nanoparticles that determined their toxicity in biological and environmental systems. Since the first publication of this book in 2007, the field of nanoscience and nanomedicine continues to grow substantially.

This second edition of *Nanotoxicology: Progress toward Nanomedicine* has been greatly expanded and includes many new authors who offer suggestions on how to conduct nanomaterial toxicology studies and stress the need for proper characterization. The need for developing and ascertaining the tools used for risk assessment and management of ENMs is paramount. In the second publication of this book, our aim is to document the continuing development of the essential tools used for ENM characterization and in vitro and in vivo toxicology testing. Of importance is the contribution of nanosafety research to nanomedicine. The interplay between these

two disciplines is going to deliver in the near future the most startling insights into the interaction between ENMs and the biological milieu.

Section I deals with the impacts of nanotechnology on biomedicine. Nanomedicine development has improved over traditional approaches as new ENMs emerge at the nanoscale. There is a great need for appropriate functionalization for tissue-specific targeting or drug delivery to tissues that can be tuned with nanomaterials. Many nanomaterials may degrade once in the body and the toxicity and clearance pathways may be altered. The biointeractions of multifunctional nanoparticle-based therapy are discussed. It was once thought that the primary applications of nanomedicine were for diagnosis and cancer treatment but due to functionalization the treatment of many diseases can now be investigated. The ability to control some of the specific physicochemical properties of nanoparticles such as size, surface area, and shape has allowed for control over the nanoparticle functions so that they can be used for treatment of different diseases.

Section II on exposure demonstrates that there is no consensus on the use of a single metric to characterize exposure to ENMs and that there is no international standard for measuring and characterizing ENMs. This section provides much-needed information on the requirements for proper detection, measurement, and assessment both for workplace exposure and in consumer products. Section III on modeling provides an insight into the development of quantitative endpoints that are useful in predicting the vivo behavior of nanoparticles. Section IV on methodologies and techniques provides the basic tools for assessing nanoparticle toxicity from the early stages of manufacturing to in vivo biodistribution, where size, surface chemistry, and shape play a major role in toxicity in some tissues. Also, an array of detection methods have been implemented for assessing toxicity in in vivo and in vitro systems, as well as at the single cell and tissue levels. Their benefits and limitations will be discussed. Section V on hazards deals with specific organ systems that have been thoroughly investigated by many international experts with different types of ENMs in multiple in vivo and in vitro models. This section assesses not only the toxicity in organ systems but also some of the applications of ENMs for the potential treatment in neuroregeneration and targeted delivery of imaging or therapeutic nanomaterials to tumors. Also, specialized applications have been developed due to the microcidal activity of many nanoparticles for the use in indwelling catheters, orthopedic implants, bandages for diabetic wounds, and tissue engineering. Numerous strategies also exist for additional medical applications ranging from tumor targeting to the treatment of different cancers. Section VI on risk assessment of nanomaterials is complicated due to the limited information obtained on only a few occupational exposures, lack of comprehensive epidemiological studies, and no clear dose metric due to lack of or improper characterization of nanomaterials. Many coordinated research efforts have been implemented to address the potential risks of nanomaterials, and there is even a greater need to address the knowledge gaps especially with long-term studies.

All of these chapters report on exciting science and show great promise for some ENMs to be used in nanomedicine. They reflect a sense of urgency to develop effective targeted nanotheranostics to be used in clinical trials. There is also both a great

need to understand the complexities and issues of toxicology of nanomaterials and a need for continued harmonization for risk management.

In this book, we have solicited some of the most crucial research, illustrating the development of nanosafety and nanomedicine, their interplay, and convergence. We hope the readers will find inspiration through the chapters contributed by leading international experts in both fields and appreciate the continuing development in nanosafety and nanomedicine.

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