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# Gestion du risque associé aux nanoparticules de $\text{TiO}_2$ à Sanofi

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# Pourquoi s'y intéresser ?

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« potentiel cancérogène »  
*60 millions mag (2018)*

« EU member states support change  
to titanium dioxide classification »  
*Chemical Watch (2018)*

« Inhaling nano-titanium  
dioxide could have  
epigenetic effects in foetus »  
*Chemical Watch (2018)*

« Dioxyde de titane nanométrique : de  
la nécessité de proposer une valeur  
d'exposition professionnelle »  
*INRS (2016)*

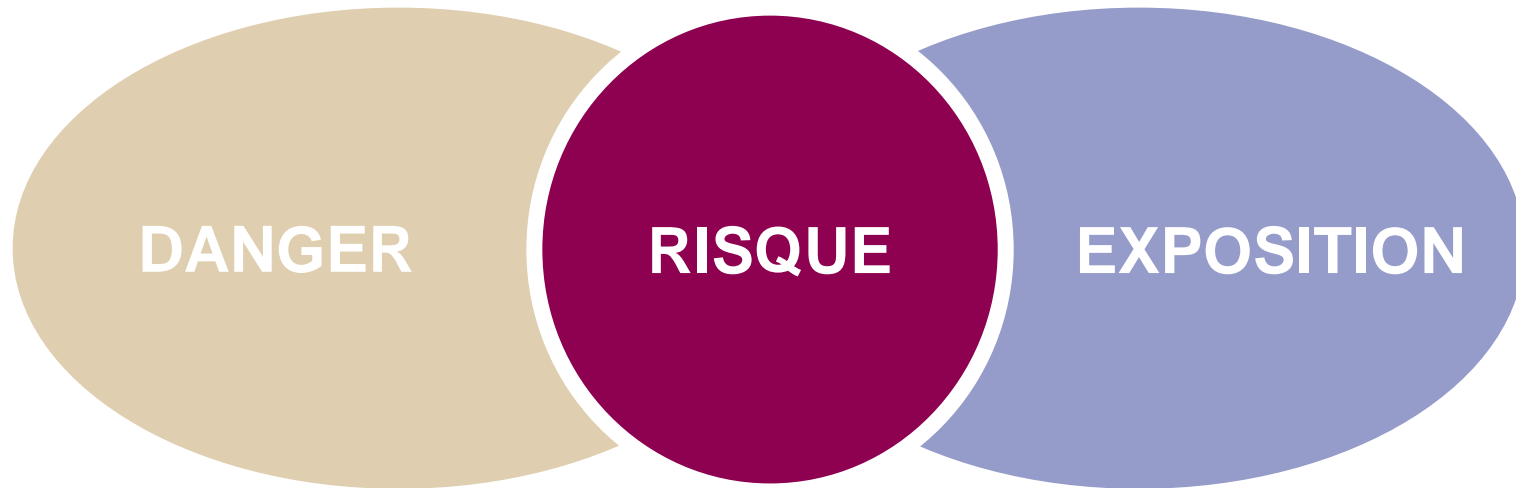
« can cause birth defects »  
*The Times of India (2018)*

« NIOSH Sets Recommended  
Exposure Limits For Titanium Dioxide,  
Including Nanoparticles »  
*Bloomberg BNA (2011)*

« When nanotech turns  
nanotoxic »  
*CBS news (2014)*

# Comment gérer le risque ?

Avec une démarche habituelle



## Identifier la toxicité

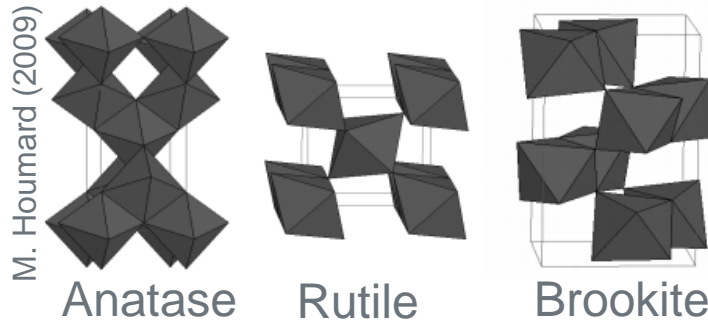
Définition de la substance  
Voies d'exposition  
Données de toxicité

## Evaluer l'exposition

Qui ? (potentiellement)  
Comment ? (process)  
Quelles protections ?  
Métrologie

DANGER

## Caractéristiques physico-chimiques



➔ Taille, forme, structure cristalline... influencent la toxicité

## Granulométrie

- En masse/volume : ***d50 ~ 120-150 nm***
- En nombre : ***d50 ~ 60 nm***

➔ Importance de l'unité de mesure

## Voie d'exposition – exemple voie cutanée

Pas de toxicité... sur **peau saine**

➔ Relativiser données

## Cadre réglementaire limité

- Déclaration  
*R-nano (France) ; REACH*
- Etiquetage (selon industrie)  
*Pharmaceutique hors scope*



Pas de VLEP  
réglementaire

## Mesures de protection

- Efficacité ?
- Qui protéger ?  
*Opérateurs, maintenance...*



Mesures actuelles  
adaptées ?

# Quelles solutions ? (1/3)



DANGER – TiO2 nano

## Données d'institutions

CIRC	INRS	ANSM	Stoffenmanager nano
TiO2	Tous nano	TiO2 & ZnO	TiO2

cancérogène  
2B  
par inhalation

Toxicité non  
spécifique,  
indirecte...

Pas de  
passage cutané  
sur peau saine

Hazard class:  
« very high »



**Données parfois anciennes**

## Revue de littérature

- **Voie respiratoire :**  
*Toxicité Poumons + Système nerveux central + Foie*
- **Voie cutanée :**  
*Considérer passage*

## VLEP – Recommandations du NIOSH

*Poussières non  
spécifiques*  
(France)

**10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>**

*Particules fines*  
*TiO<sub>2</sub>*  
(NIOSH)

**2,4 mg/m<sup>3</sup>**

*Forme nano*  
*TiO<sub>2</sub>*  
(NIOSH)

**0,3 mg/m<sup>3</sup>**

## Mesures de protection – Recommandations du NIOSH

### “Workplace design solution” (03/2018)

- “Protecting Workers during **Intermediate and Downstream Processing** of Nanomaterials”
- “Protecting Workers during the **Handling** of Nanomaterials”
- “Protecting Workers during Nanomaterial **Reactor Operations**”

# Controlling Health Hazards When Working with Nanomaterials: Questions to Ask Before You Start

Here are some questions you should ask yourself before starting work with nanomaterials.

Here are some options you can use to reduce exposures to nanomaterials in the workplace. These options correspond with the questions on the left.

## (1) FORM

Have you done a job hazard analysis? What is the physical form of the nanomaterial? How much are you using? Can you reduce exposure to the nanomaterial by changing its form (for example, putting powder into a solution) or reducing the amount you are using?

**DRY POWDER**  
(typically highest potential for exposure)

**SUSPENDED IN LIQUID**

**PHYSICALLY BOUND/ ENCAPSULATED**  
(typically lowest potential for exposure)

## (2) WORK ACTIVITY

How are you using the nanomaterial? Could the work activity cause exposure? Is the likelihood of exposure low or high? Can you change the way you do the activity to reduce the exposure?

### Applies to Dry Powder Nanomaterials

- Higher potential for exposure: Dumping bags of powder, bagging or sieving of products
- Lower potential for exposure: Scooping/weighing of product, transporting containers with light surface contamination or closed barrels/bottles/bags

### Applies to Nanomaterial Suspended in Liquids

- Higher potential for exposure: Spraying, open top sonication, producing a mist
- Lower potential for exposure: Cleaning up a spill, pipetting small amounts

### Applies to Physically Bound/Encapsulated Nanomaterial

- Higher potential for exposure: Cutting, grinding, sanding, drilling, abrasive blasting, thermal release
- Lower potential for exposure: Manual cutting and sanding, painting with a roller or brush

## (3) ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Based on the form and the work activity, what engineering controls will be effective? What are the key design and operational requirements for the control? How does the non-nanomaterial base material or liquid affect exposure?

### Applies to Dry Powder Nanomaterials

- Chemical fume hood
- Ventilated bagging or handling enclosure
- Local exhaust ventilation

### Applies to Nanomaterial Suspended in Liquids

- Chemical fume hood
- Glove box
- Nanomaterial handling enclosure
- Local exhaust ventilation
- Ventilated spray booth

## (4) ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

Have you considered the role of administrative controls? Have you set up a plan for waste management? Have you considered what to do in case of a spill or how you will maintain equipment?

- Establish a chemical hygiene plan
- Perform routine housekeeping
- Train workers
- Use signs and labels
- Restrict access to areas where nanomaterials are used

## (5) PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

If the measures above do not effectively control the hazard, what personal protective equipment can be used? Have you considered personal protective equipment for the non-nanomaterial base material or liquid?

- Nitrile or chemical resistant gloves
- Lab coat or coveralls
- Safety glasses, goggles, or face shield

### Applies to All Nanomaterial Forms

- Respiratory protection when indicated and engineering controls cannot control exposures, and in accordance with federal regulations (29 CFR 1910.134)
- NIOSH guidance on respirators can be found at [www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/respirators/](http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/respirators/)
- Use personal protective equipment during spill cleanups and equipment maintenance



## Prise en main du sujet – niveau global

- **Création d'un working group**



Décision du comité d'éthique

- **Impliquer tous les départements**

*Risk management, Public Affairs, Safety Science, Science Policy, R&D, Quality, HSE...*



Gérer le risque ensemble

## Qui / Comment ?

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### Identifier les risques

- **Recenser les sites**

*Croisement de sources (Questionnaire + Données des Achats)*

- **Identifier la substance**

Fournisseurs ?

Part nanométrique (Granulométrie)



Unité de mesure

- **Identifier les risques**

*Nombre d'exposés*

*Comment ils sont exposés/protégés*

## Questionnaire – identifier la substance

1. Are you using TiO<sub>2</sub> (**any form**) in the facility?

Yes

No

4. Please provide the **particle-size distribution chart of TiO<sub>2</sub>** used in the facility as an attached file.

*If available, please provide a **number distribution**. If not, provide the one available (volume/mass distribution...).*

*Please answer all questions below even if the chart is not indicating presence of nanosized (under 100 nm) materials.*



Unité de mesure


Partir du principe qu'on ne sait pas s'il y a des nano

## Questionnaire – Identifier les travailleurs exposés

### 5. How many people...

*If you have trouble answering sub question a., at least answer sub question b.*

a. Are working in the facility	b. Are working with or near TiO <sub>2</sub> 
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

 “Near TiO<sub>2</sub>” refers to people working in the same area as workers who are handling TiO<sub>2</sub> or as machines that use TiO<sub>2</sub> (in the case of automated workflow). This includes cleaners, waste operators and maintenance.

*We are talking about TiO<sub>2</sub> as a raw material, not about finished products having TiO<sub>2</sub> in their composition.*

## Questionnaire – Identifier les méthodes de manipulation

11. How is TiO<sub>2</sub> used?

- TiO<sub>2</sub> is handled by operators
- TiO<sub>2</sub> is used inside machines

If yes:

a. **What kind** of machines?

- Open (TiO<sub>2</sub> can come into contact with ambient air: open device or sealed device in bad condition)
- Enclosed (TiO<sub>2</sub> can not come into contact with ambient air: sealed device in roadworthy condition)

b. **Where** are the machines?

- In the same area as workers
- In a separated area (workers only have access to the area if they purposely enter it)

10. In the facility, TiO<sub>2</sub> is used...

- As powder
- In liquid form
- In gel form

## Questionnaire – Identifier les méthodes de maintenance

12. About the **cleaning process**:

**HELP**

*Dry materials refer to brooms, brushes, dry cloths...*  
*Wet materials refer to wet cloths, wet wipes...*

12.2. The **equipment/machines**:

c. How often are the followings cleaned?

	Cleaning frequency	Cleaning tools
Inside the equipment/machines	<input type="radio"/> At least once a day <input type="radio"/> More than once a week <input type="radio"/> Once a week <input type="radio"/> At least once a month	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry materials <input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum <input type="checkbox"/> Wet materials <input type="checkbox"/> Clean-In-Place
Outside the equipment/machines	<input type="radio"/> At least once a day <input type="radio"/> More than once a week <input type="radio"/> Once a week <input type="radio"/> At least once a month	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry materials <input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum <input type="checkbox"/> Wet materials

## Questionnaire – Identifier les mesures de protection

13. Currently, do the concerned workers have access to the protective equipment named below?

	Avail	N.A.	R.C.	HEPA	Rec.A
General ventilation (Lab)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
General ventilation (Prod)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please indicate the air change rate:

number of air changes per hour

What is the fresh air proportion?

100% (only outside air, no recuperation)

0% (only inside air, recirculation)

Mixed air:

% of fresh air



Bon état de marche



Type de filtre



Air recirculé

## Que faire ?

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### Gérer les risques

- **Mettre à jour le guide interne sur les nano**  
*Avec données récentes*  
*Uniformiser les informations pour les différents sites*
- **Mettre en place les mesures de protection**  
*En fonction des recommandations*
- **Informers les opérateurs**  
*Questionnaire : aspect pédagogique*  
*Communication interne*



Plus de  
confinement



## Avenir du sujet

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### Suivi

- Traçabilité des informations
- Veille scientifique & réglementaire



Décisions politiques

« Le gouvernement prévoit de **suspendre**  
« avant la fin de l'année » l'utilisation des nanoparticules de **dioxyde de titane comme additif alimentaire** en France »,  
Le Monde (17 mai 2018).

- Workshop nanomatériaux Sanofi



## Informations sur la toxicité

INRS	<a href="http://www.inrs.fr/risques/nanomateriaux/effets-sante.html">http://www.inrs.fr/risques/nanomateriaux/effets-sante.html</a>
Cancer- environnement	<a href="http://www.cancer-environnement.fr/402-Nanomateriaux.ce.aspx">http://www.cancer-environnement.fr/402-Nanomateriaux.ce.aspx</a>
Anses	<a href="https://www.anses.fr/fr">https://www.anses.fr/fr</a>
PubMed	<a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/</a>
Scopus	<a href="https://www.scopus.com/">https://www.scopus.com/</a>

## Veille réglementaire

REACH	<a href="https://reach-info.ineris.fr/focus/reach-et-les-nanomat%C3%A9riaux">https://reach-info.ineris.fr/focus/reach-et-les-nanomat%C3%A9riaux</a>
INERIS	<a href="https://www.ineris.fr/fr/recherche-appui/focus/nanomateriaux/bulletin-de-veille-thematique-nanomateriaux">https://www.ineris.fr/fr/recherche-appui/focus/nanomateriaux/bulletin-de-veille-thematique-nanomateriaux</a>



## Aides à la prévention des risques

INRS

[http://www.inrs.fr/risques/nanomateriaux/prevention-  
risques.html](http://www.inrs.fr/risques/nanomateriaux/prevention-<br/>risques.html)

NIOSH

<https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/updates/upd-03-12-18.html>

ANSM

[http://ansm.sante.fr/S-informer/Points-d-information-Points-d-  
information/Nanoparticules-de-dioxyde-de-titane-et-d-oxyde-  
de-zinc-dans-les-produits-cosmetiques-Etat-des-  
connaissances-sur-la-penetration-cutanee-genotoxicite-et-  
cancerogenese-Point-d-information](http://ansm.sante.fr/S-informer/Points-d-information-Points-d-<br/>information/Nanoparticules-de-dioxyde-de-titane-et-d-oxyde-<br/>de-zinc-dans-les-produits-cosmetiques-Etat-des-<br/>connaissances-sur-la-penetration-cutanee-genotoxicite-et-<br/>cancerogenese-Point-d-information)

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<https://nano.stoffenmanager.nl/>

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