



# The NanoHealth Enterprise: Opportunity for Partnerships in Nanoscience Research Communities

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# **NIH Mission**

**NIH is the steward of  
medical and behavioral research  
for the United States.**

## **Science in pursuit of**

- **fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems.**
- **application of that knowledge to prevent, detect, diagnose, and treat disease and disability.**

# Scope of Research

## Prevention Research

Exposure  
Routes of Exposure  
Biomarkers of Exposure  
Fate of Material on Entry

## Basic and Clinical Research

Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms  
Biomarkers of Disease/Progression  
Imaging and Sensor Technology  
Therapeutics

## Engineered Nanoscale Materials

Implications

Applications

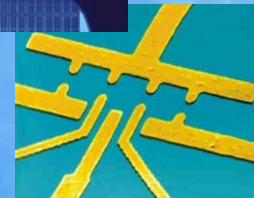
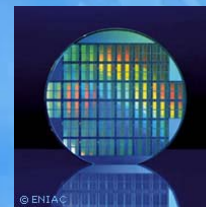
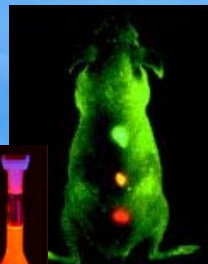
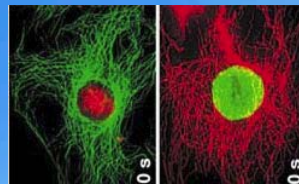
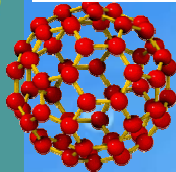
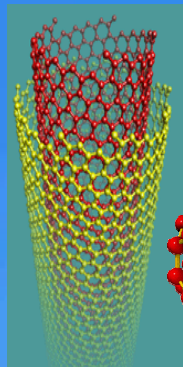




# Nanotechnology Applications Research

**Goal: Design materials, products or devices for a specific purpose or use**

**Approach: Manipulate size, shape, and chemistry to achieve desired outcome; maximize benefit and minimize risk**

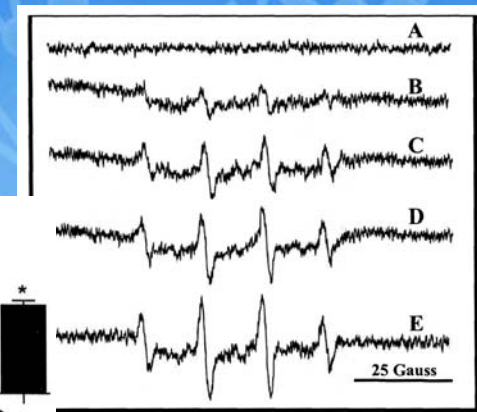
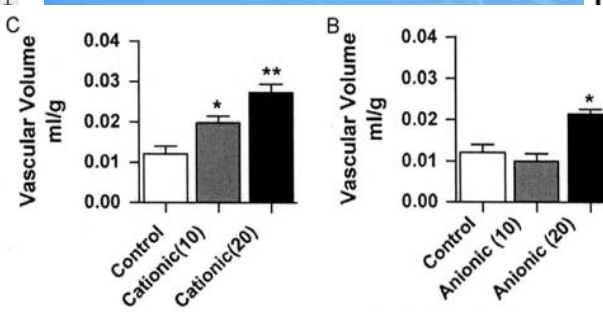
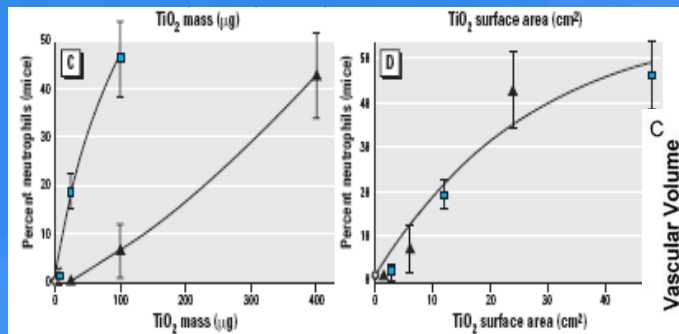




# Nanotechnology Implications Research

**Goal: Minimize adverse effect on human health and the environment**

**Approach: Understand how materials behave in biological systems**





# Conceptualizing the Science





## Integrating Research Investments through Public-Private Partnerships

- Bring collaborative, entrepreneurial approach to large and complex problems and programs.
- Promote dialogue and coordinated effort across government, industry, and academia.
- Leverage scientific expertise and investment.
- Accelerate high priority projects by procuring services in new ways.
- Facilitate delivery of technology developed by private entities.





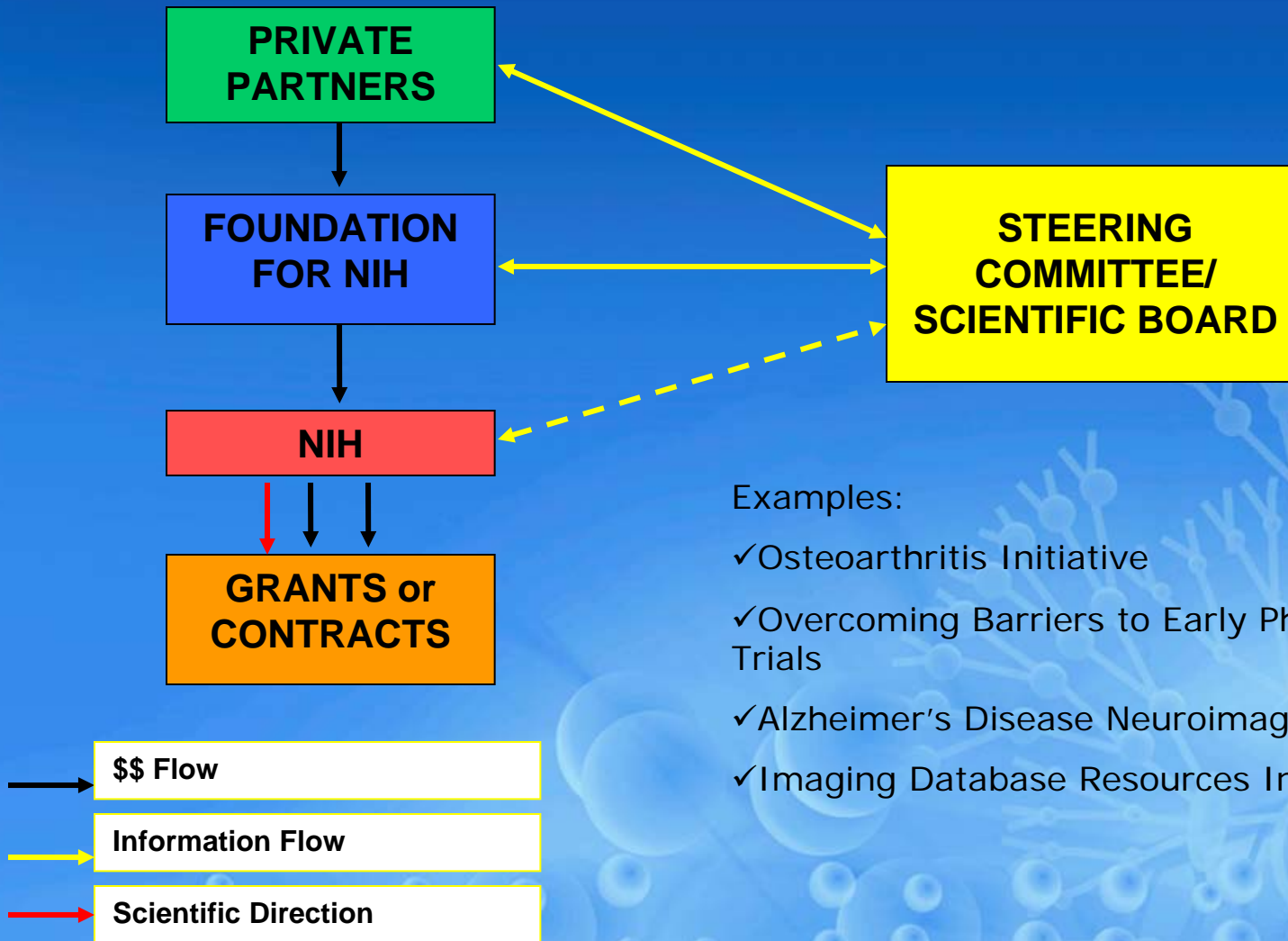
# NIH: Organized for Partnership

## Four Components for Success

- The Partners: science and resources
- Foundation for NIH: organizational structure
- Public Private Partnership Program: policy issues
- Office of General Council: legal issues



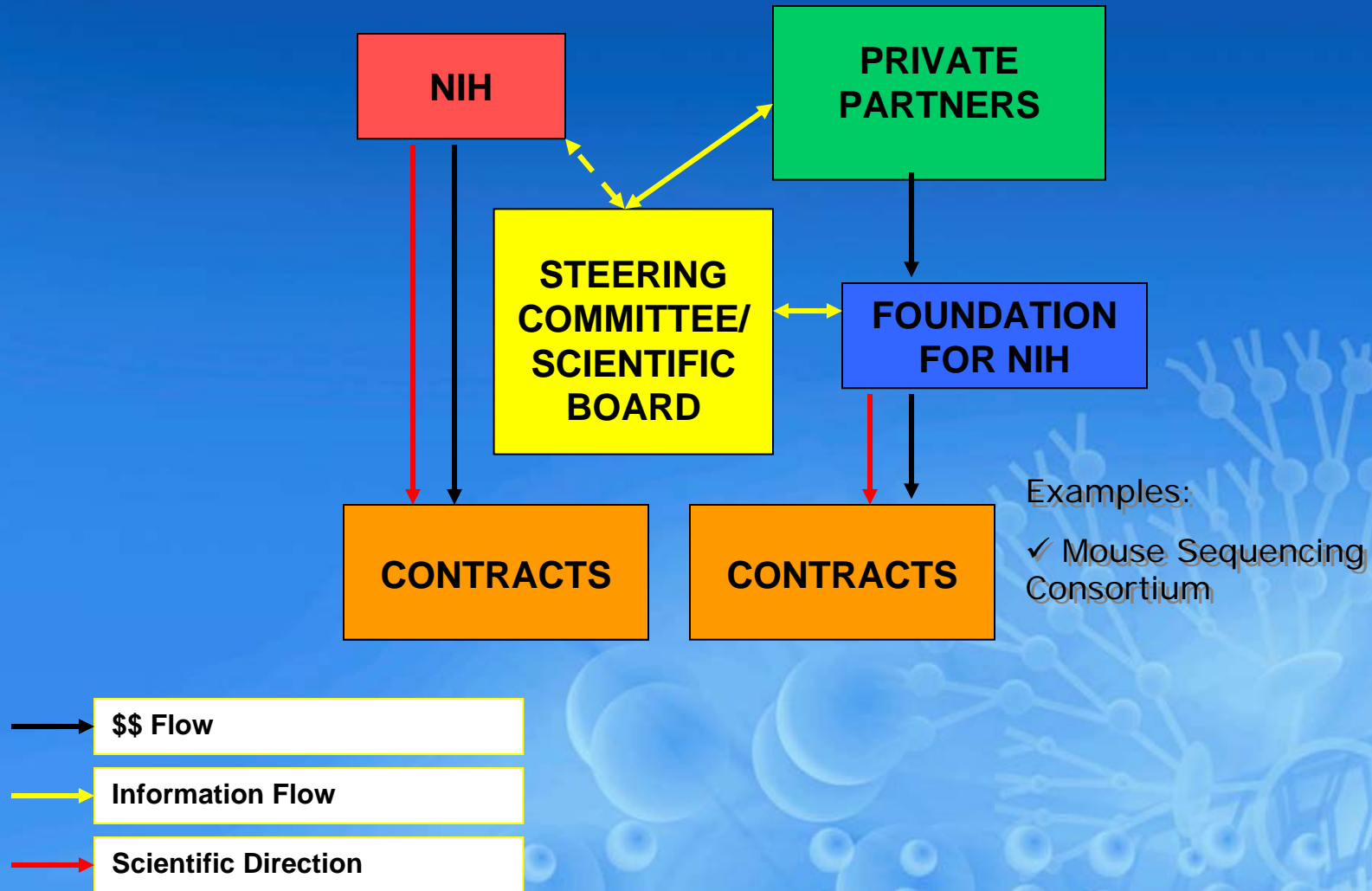
# Model 1: Private Funds to FNIH Pooled with NIH Funding



Examples:

- ✓Osteoarthritis Initiative
- ✓Overcoming Barriers to Early Phase Clinical Trials
- ✓Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative
- ✓Imaging Database Resources Initiative

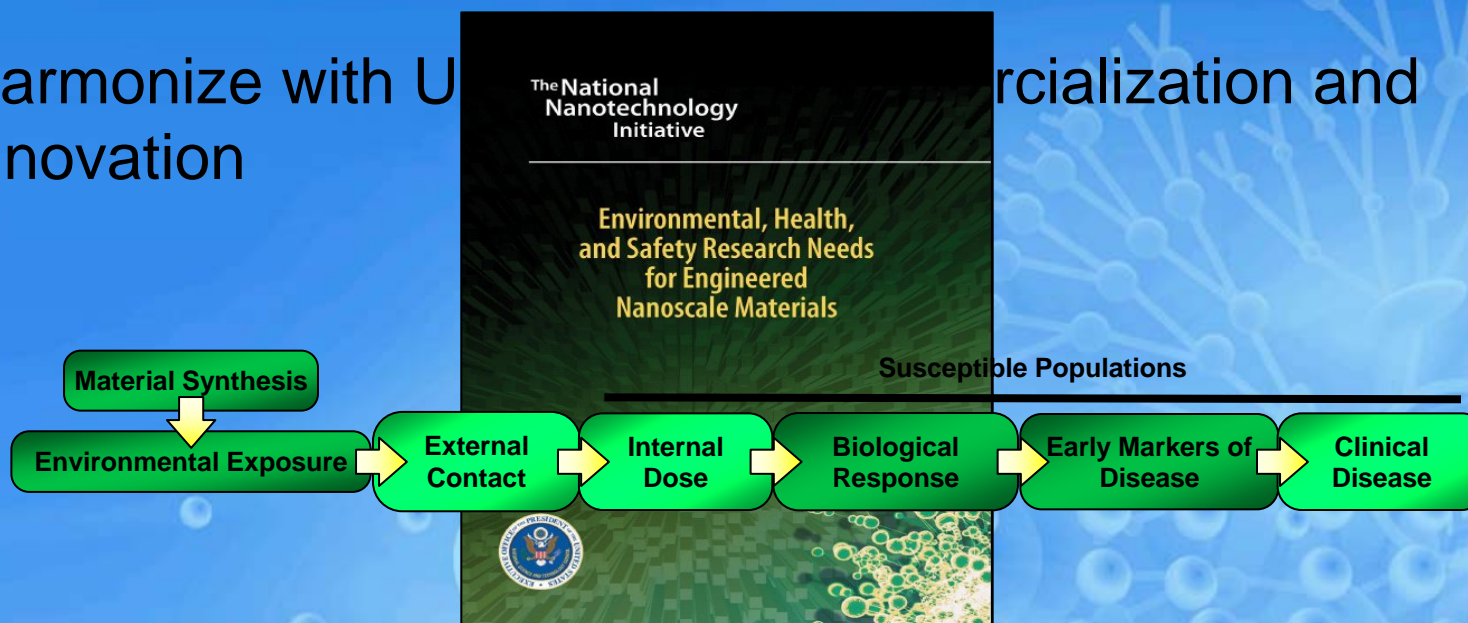
# Model 2: Parallel Funding Mechanism, Supplementing NIH's Efforts





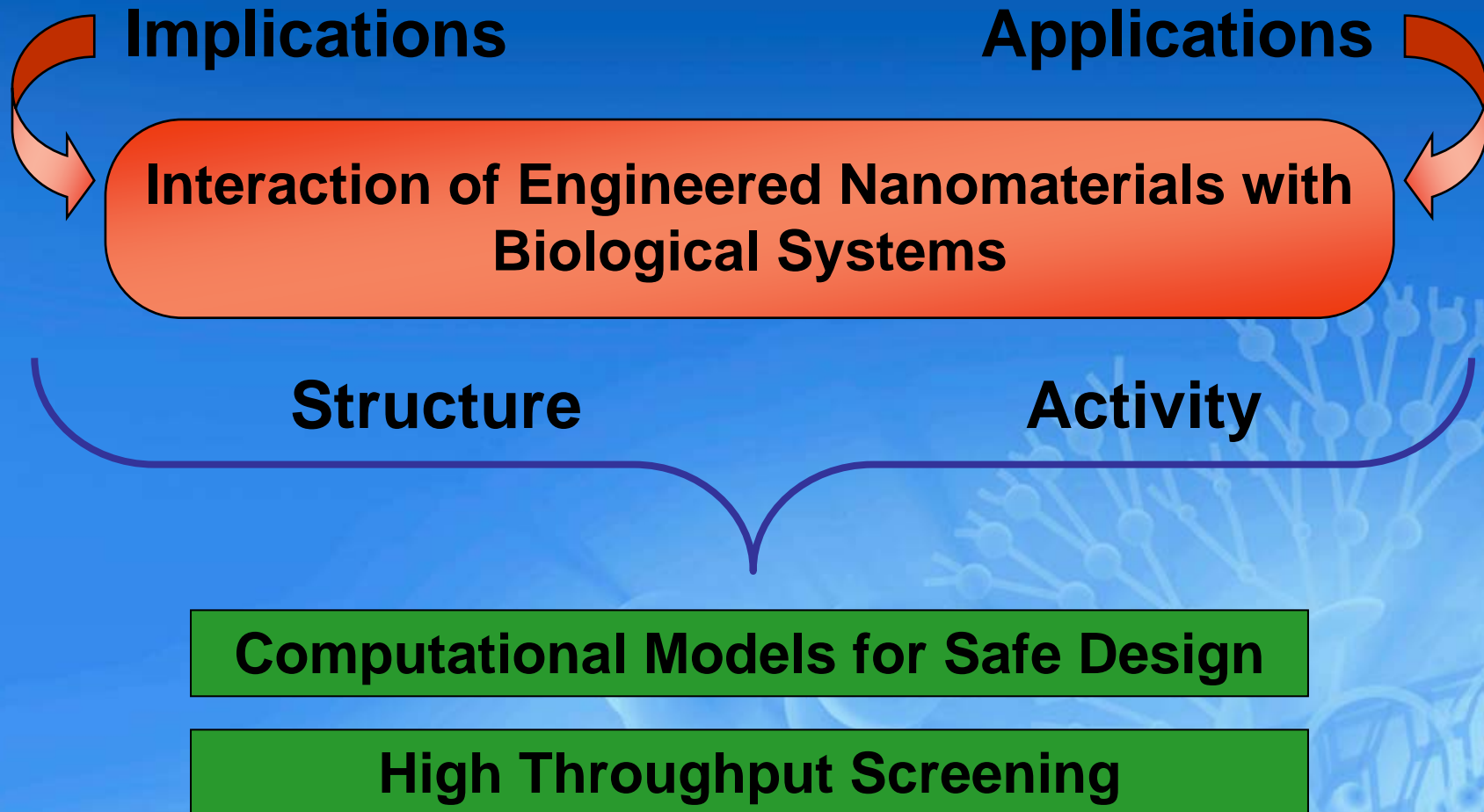
# Building the NanoHealth Enterprise

- Build on the NIH investment and expertise
- Invite stakeholder participation
- Target questions within a shared research strategy
- Harmonize with U.S. innovation



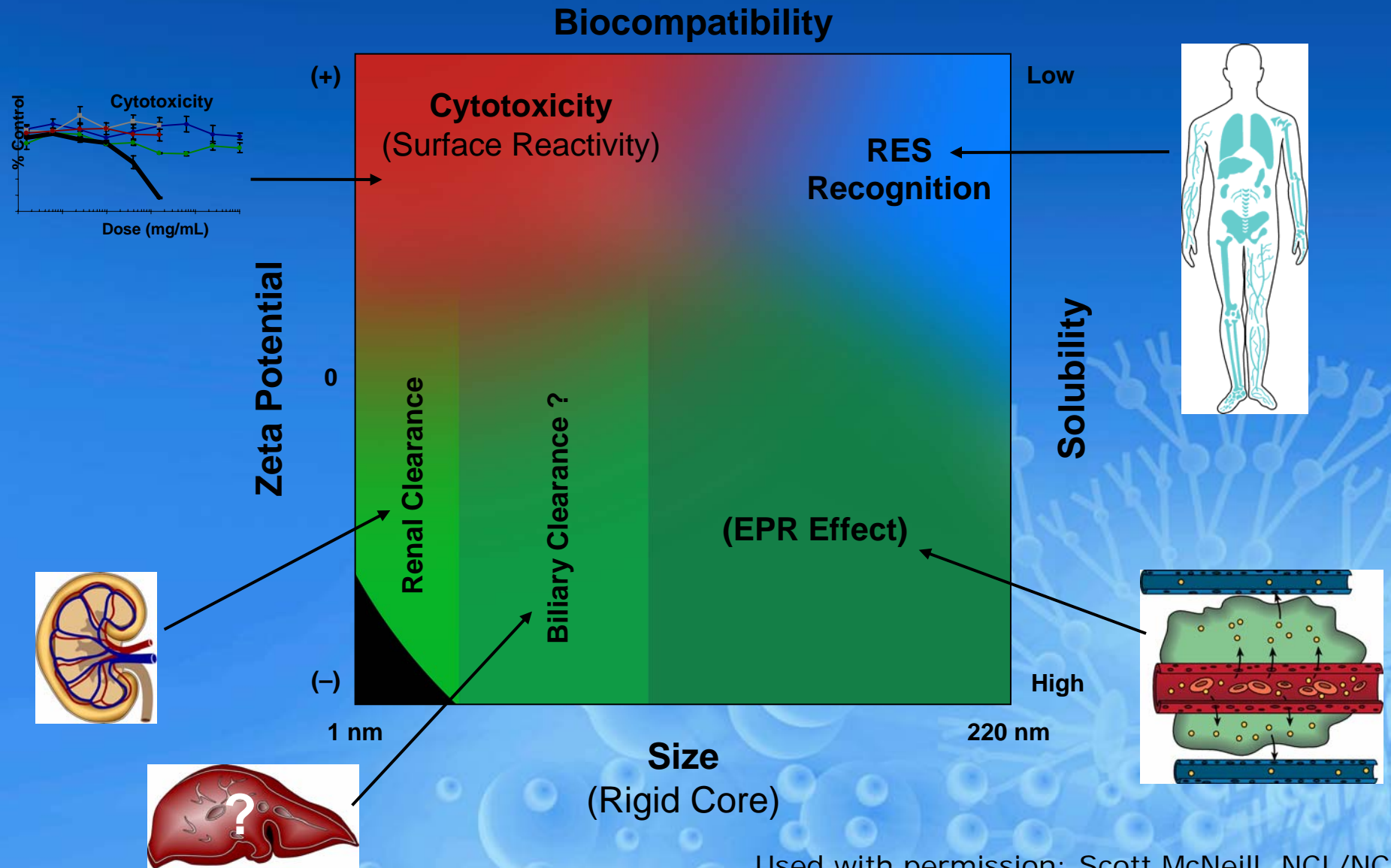


# Conceptualizing Shared Research interests





# Trends in NanoBio Interactions



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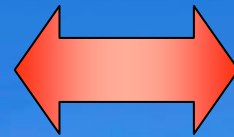


# Expanding the Definition of Research Products

**Biologically and clinically relevant design principles**

**Curated data sharing framework**

**Network of research partners**



**Strategic product design and development**

**Shorter time from concept to manufacture**

**Data for hazard identification**

**Standards setting**



# Targeted Research Projects

**Implications**

**Applications**

**Interaction of Engineered Nanomaterials with  
Biological Systems**

**Dose  
Metrics**

**Uptake by  
Route of  
Exposure**

**Interaction  
with  
Biological  
Fluids**

**Informatics Resource**

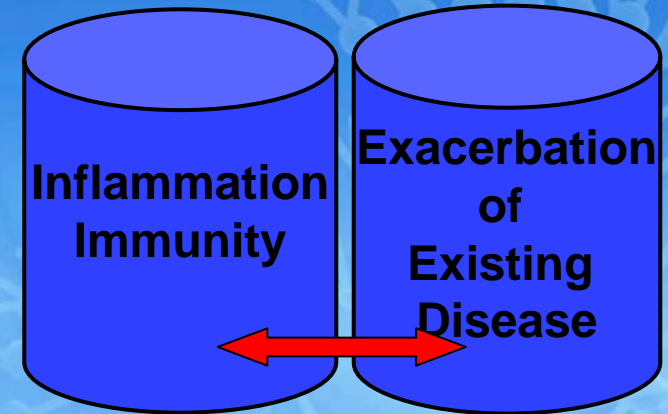
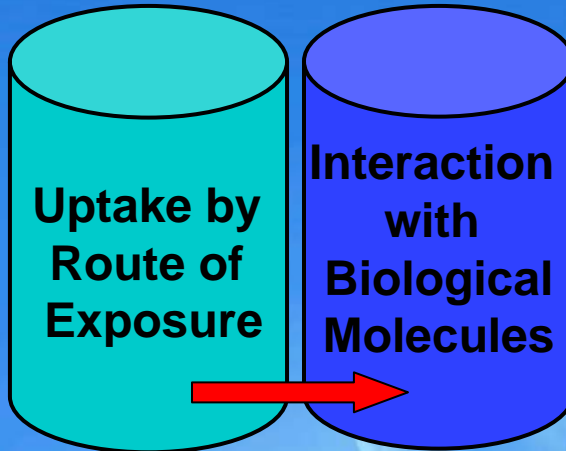


# Exploratory Research Programs

**Implications**

**Applications**

**Interaction of Engineered Nanomaterials with Biological Systems**



**Informatics Resource**





# Parallel Paths within the NHE

**Implications**

**Applications**

**Interaction of Engineered Nanomaterials with  
Biological Systems**

**NHE  
Working  
Groups**

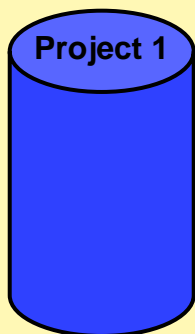
**Industrial/  
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Projects**

**Informatics Resource**

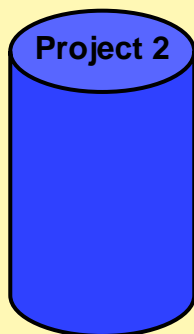


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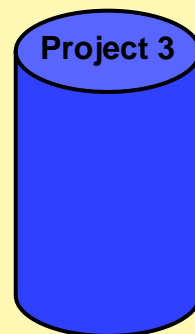
## Governance Structure



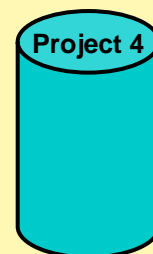
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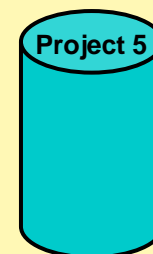
Project 2



Project 3



Project 4



Project 5

## Review

## Research Awards



# Building the NanoHealth Enterprise

**Harness the Power of Nanotechnology**



**Enable Discovery**



**Principles of Safe Design**