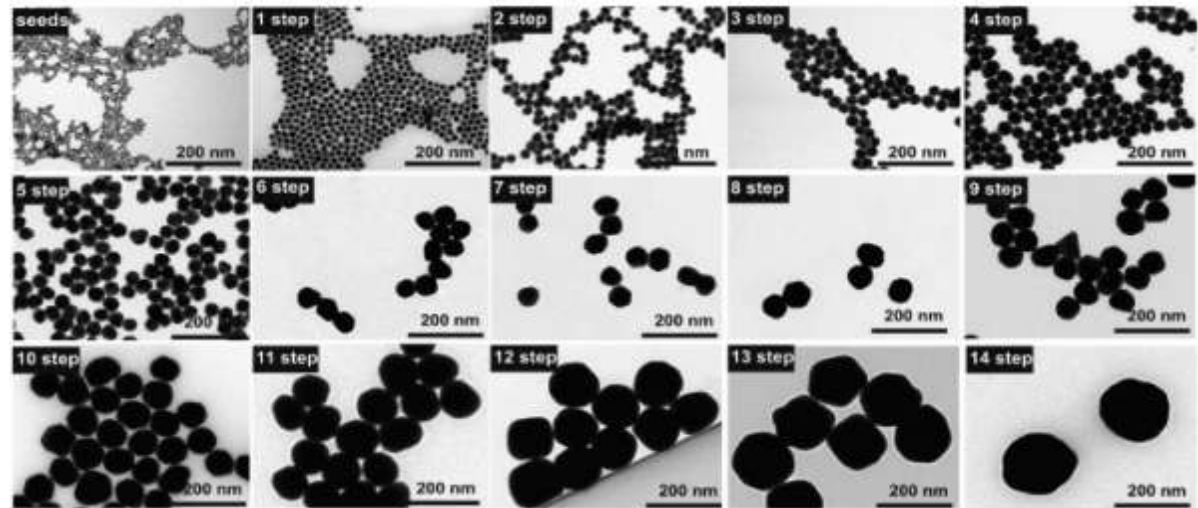
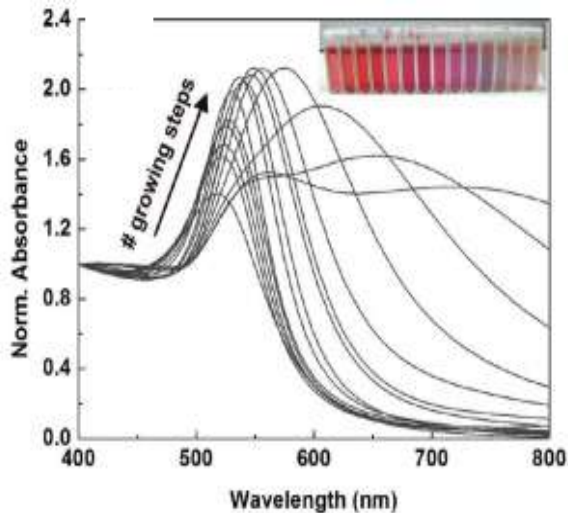


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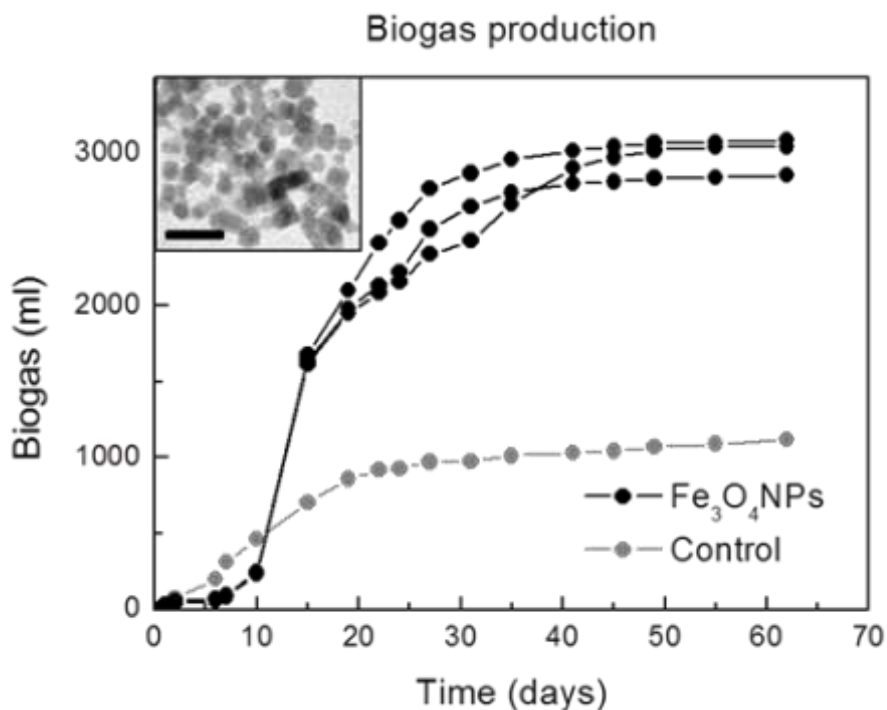


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- AppNPs has its offices in Barcelona 22@ District and the **laboratory premises** in **the Vall d'Hebron Institut de Recerca (VHIR)**, within a Hospital Campus.
- We want to **empower researchers** by designing and supplying high quality Nanoparticles Colloids, while providing expert advice on their use



**BioGAS+ is an additive based in the  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  NPs (Magnetite) which BOOSTS (up to 185%) the production of biogas → Dosing at the Nanoscale**



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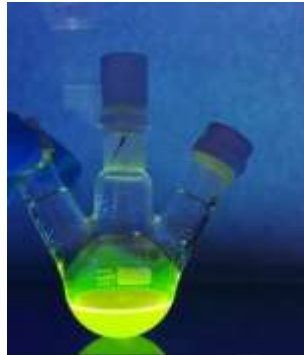
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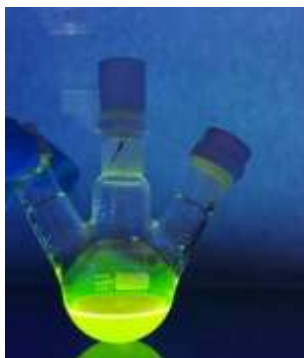
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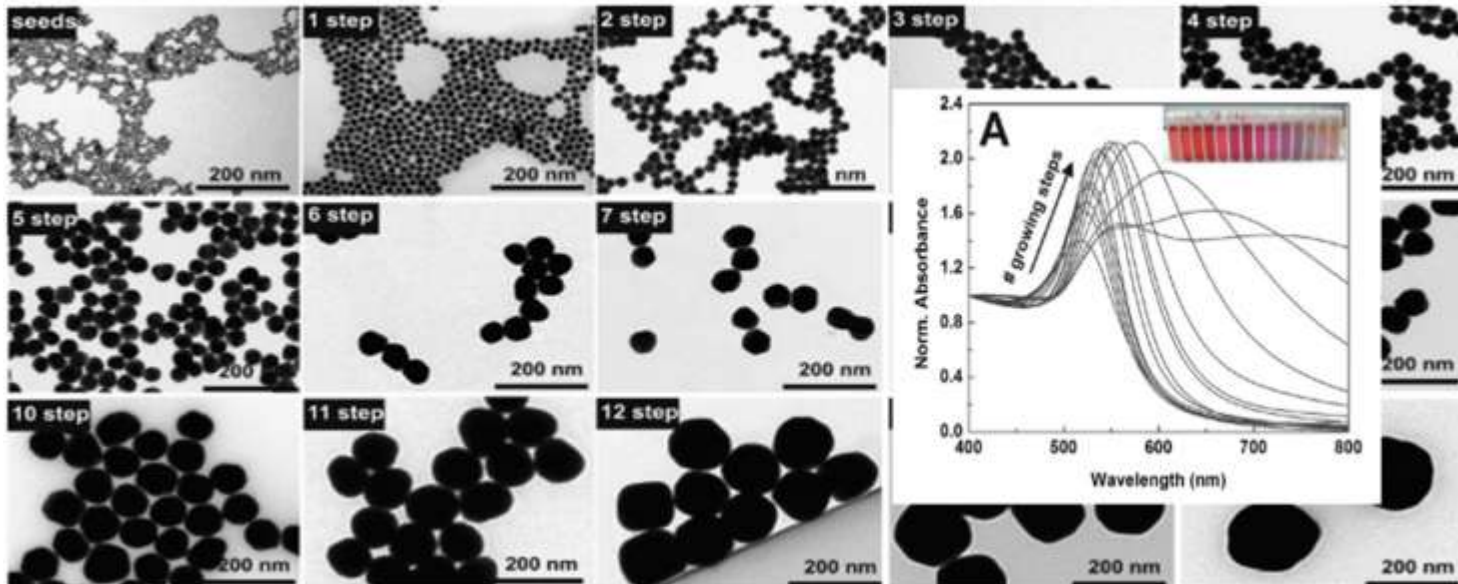


15-30kg of Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> NPs Batches

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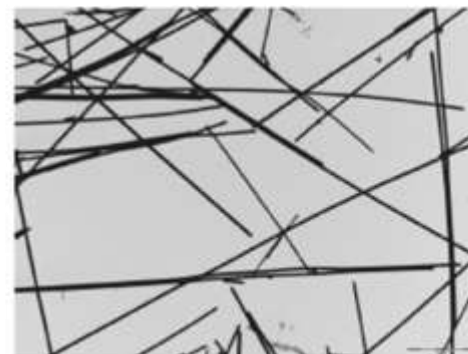
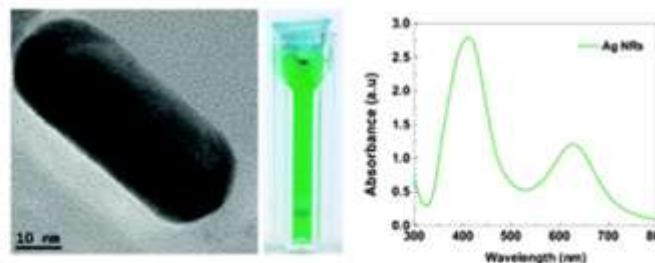
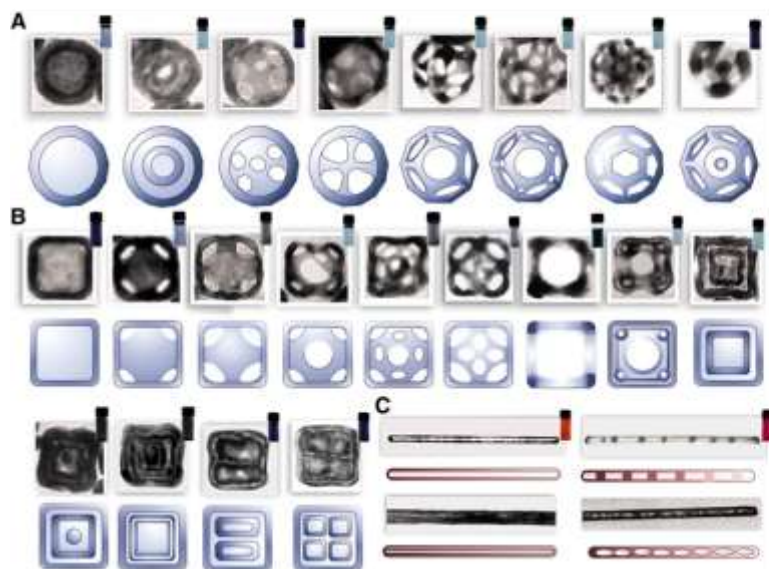
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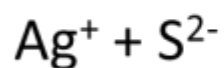
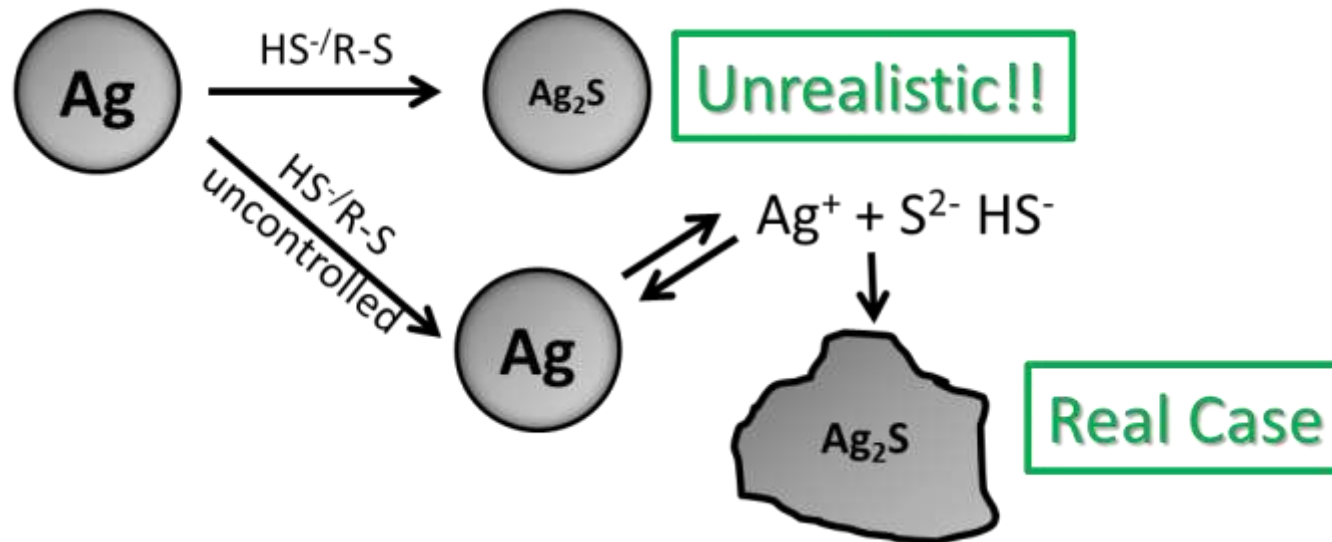
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"ab initio"  $\text{Ag}_2\text{S}$  model

The Pandora Nanoparticles Menu *by Applied Nanoparticles*



15nm AgNPs



50nm AgNPs



5-10µm AgNWs



20nm Ag<sub>2</sub>S NPs



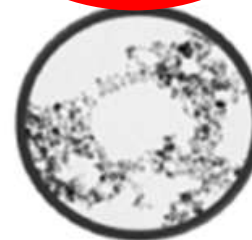
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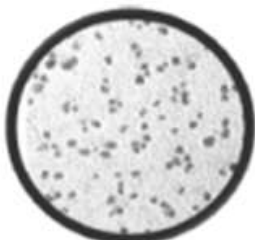
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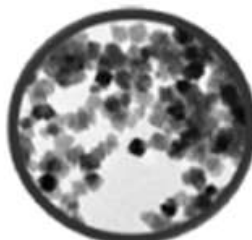
50nm AuNPs



8nm Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>NPs  
(superparamagnetic)



5nm CeO<sub>2</sub>NPs



10x10nm CeO<sub>2</sub> Stamps



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## Metals NPs

### Low concentration synthesis

(in aqueous media)

AuNPs max 50 mg/L

AgNPs max 100mg/L

Higher morphology control  
(seeded growth multi step strategy →  
Monodispersity)

Can be discretely dispersed

Slower settling times

(Some) Prone to  
corrosion/oxidation

## Metal Oxide NPs

### High concentration synthesis

(in aqueous media)

From 1g/L up to 30-60g/L

Lower morphology control

Very Difficult to “grow”

Tend to agglomerate →  
aggregate

Faster settling times

Less prone to corrosion

Already partially or totally oxidized

## Working together after NanoFASE

### Think about us if you need:

- **High Quality NPs colloids** (high monodispersity, high concentration, high colloidal stability...) at **very affordable prices**.  
(compare Sigma Aldrich: 180.000€/g of AgNPS!!! And very diluted : 0.02mg/ml)
- **Explore the synthesis of new model NPs** ,  
“The Nanoparticles of your dreams”
- **Master Batches** for the entire length of a Project
- **Micro/nano Plastics!!!**

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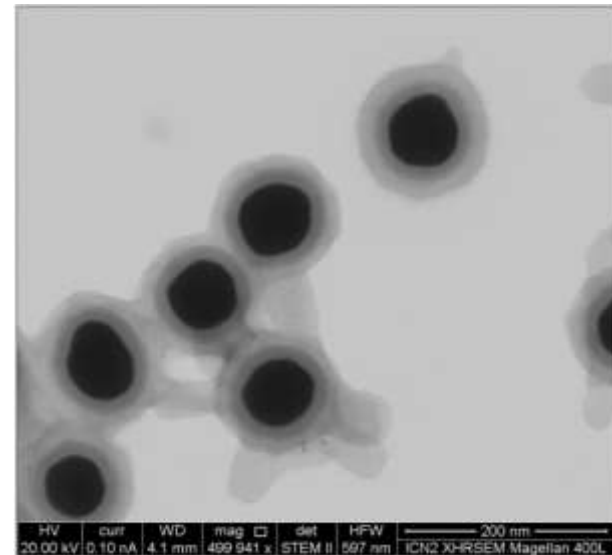
### Micro/nano Plastics – Polystyrene nanoparticles up to 500nm

- Chemically labelled (with AuNPs core)
- Fluorescently labelled (with FITC)

Au@SiO<sub>2</sub>@PS

From 80 to 500nm

Exploring Still in the mg/L range





**THANKS!**

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