

Key messages

How to ensure the safe use of nanomaterials under REACH

Part I: Characterisation of
nanoforms of substances in
registration dossiers

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Key messages (1)

- REACH applies to nanoforms
- Registrants need to demonstrate the safe use of their substance, whatever the form
- The characterisation is a prerequisite to the proper assessment of hazards and risks of the substance
- GAARN, Workshop on Nanomaterials: to increase confidence and mutual understanding and set best practices
- ECHA Nanomaterial Working Group: to provide scientific and technical advice and support ECHA processes (REACH & CLP).
- Information available on ECHA nanomaterials webpage.

Key messages (2)

- Appropriate characterisation of nanomaterials is a starting point to understanding hazards
- Different nanomaterials require different characterisation techniques, registrants should tailor testing to their substance
- Information on particle size is multi-faceted (primary particle size, aggregate/agglomerate). Registrants should provide information on these different aspects
- Information on particle size is method dependent – therefore, registrants should provide a detailed description of applied method
- Information on surface area can be used to characterise nanomaterials and should be included

Upcoming events

Lead Registrant Webinars

- **Registration process I: Business Rules**
9 November 2012
- **Registration process II: Technical Completeness Check, Invoicing and payment**
22 November 2012

Events

- **Eighth Stakeholders' Day - March 2013**
The Agency's eighth Stakeholders' Day conference focuses on providing support for member registrants.

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- Questions will still be answered through the Q&A panel
 - Panellists will continue to answer your questions on a first come, first served basis until 16:00 Helsinki Time (GMT +2) via the Q&A panel
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- Once the event has ended, you will be directed to a post-event survey page
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Thank you

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