# NanoInformatics Knowledge Commons Curation Team

*Building the Data Dictionary to Enrich Data Curation*

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# Presentation Contents

***NIKC Defined Curation:*** How does telling the transformational story of a nanomaterial aid data analysis?

***The Data Dictionary:*** How do we leverage collaborations to develop a process for building the data dictionary?

***Visualization Tool:*** Demonstration of the NIKC data dictionary visualization tool.

***Advancing Data Curation:*** How can we use the visualization tool to make data curation easier?

# CEINT NIKC Defined Curation

NIKC-based curation involves:

Organized storing of data using informed-decision making to determine:

*What information* should be curated

When data curation is *complete*

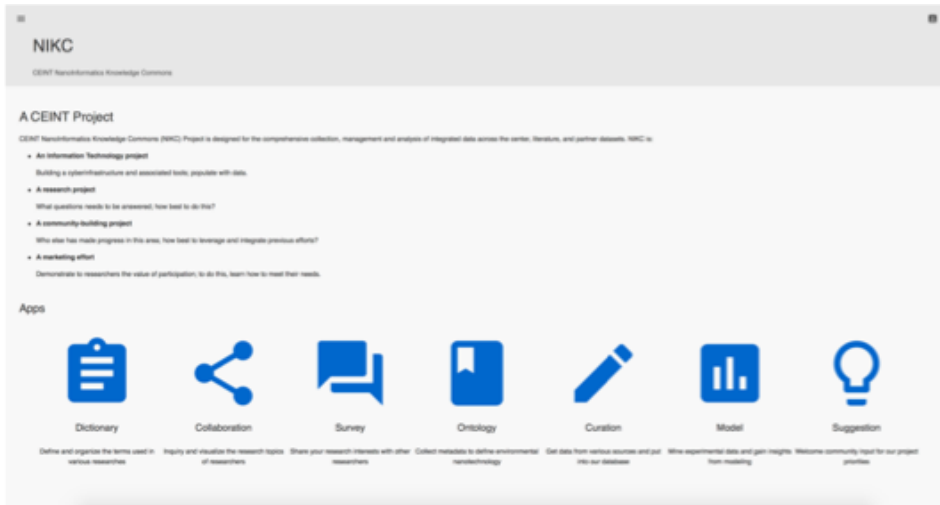How to identify *high-quality* data

Purpose of NIKC structure & curation process:

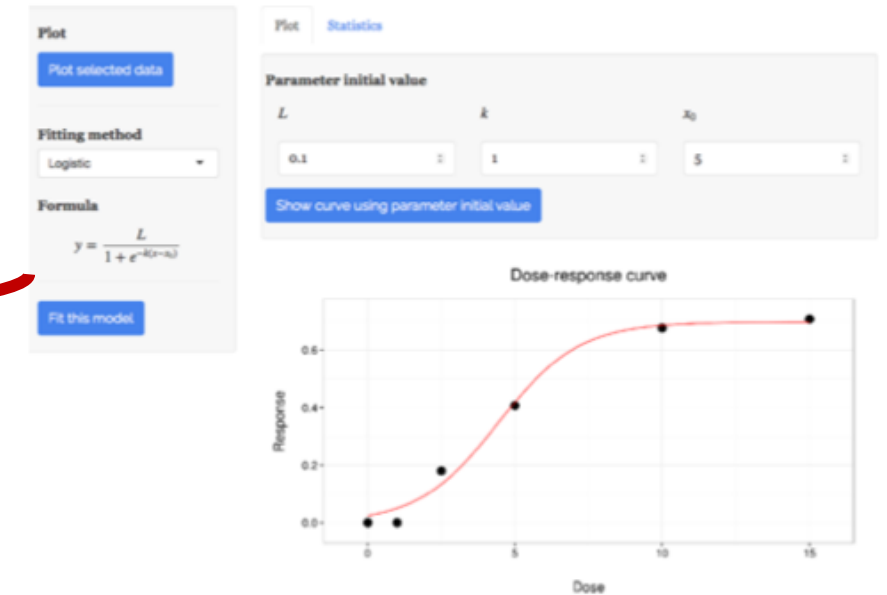Tell the story of nanomaterial transformations

Queryable datasets

# NIKC Instance Organizational Structure Purpose



- To elucidate the general principles that determine *nanomaterial behavior* in the environment
- To identify data and metadata necessary to support *forecasts of exposure potential, bioaccumulation, and bioactivity*
- To identify key *measurement assays* that are predictive of outcomes of interest

# NIKC Curation: Categorizing Data

**Instance** — Describes the chemical or biological properties of the nanomaterial and the medium at a specific moment in time.

**Material** — The nanomaterial being studied.

**Medium** — Describes the nanomaterial's environment(s).

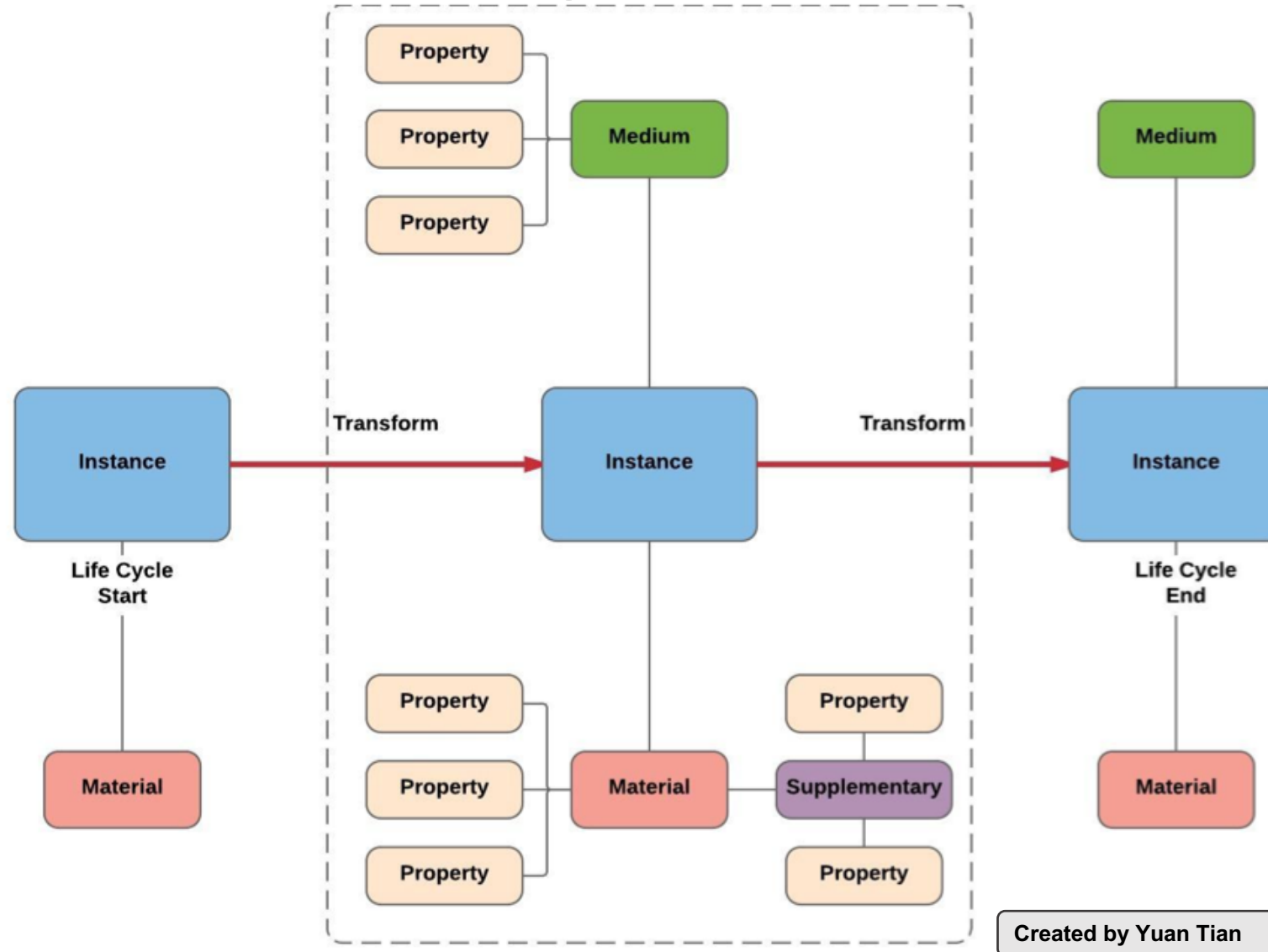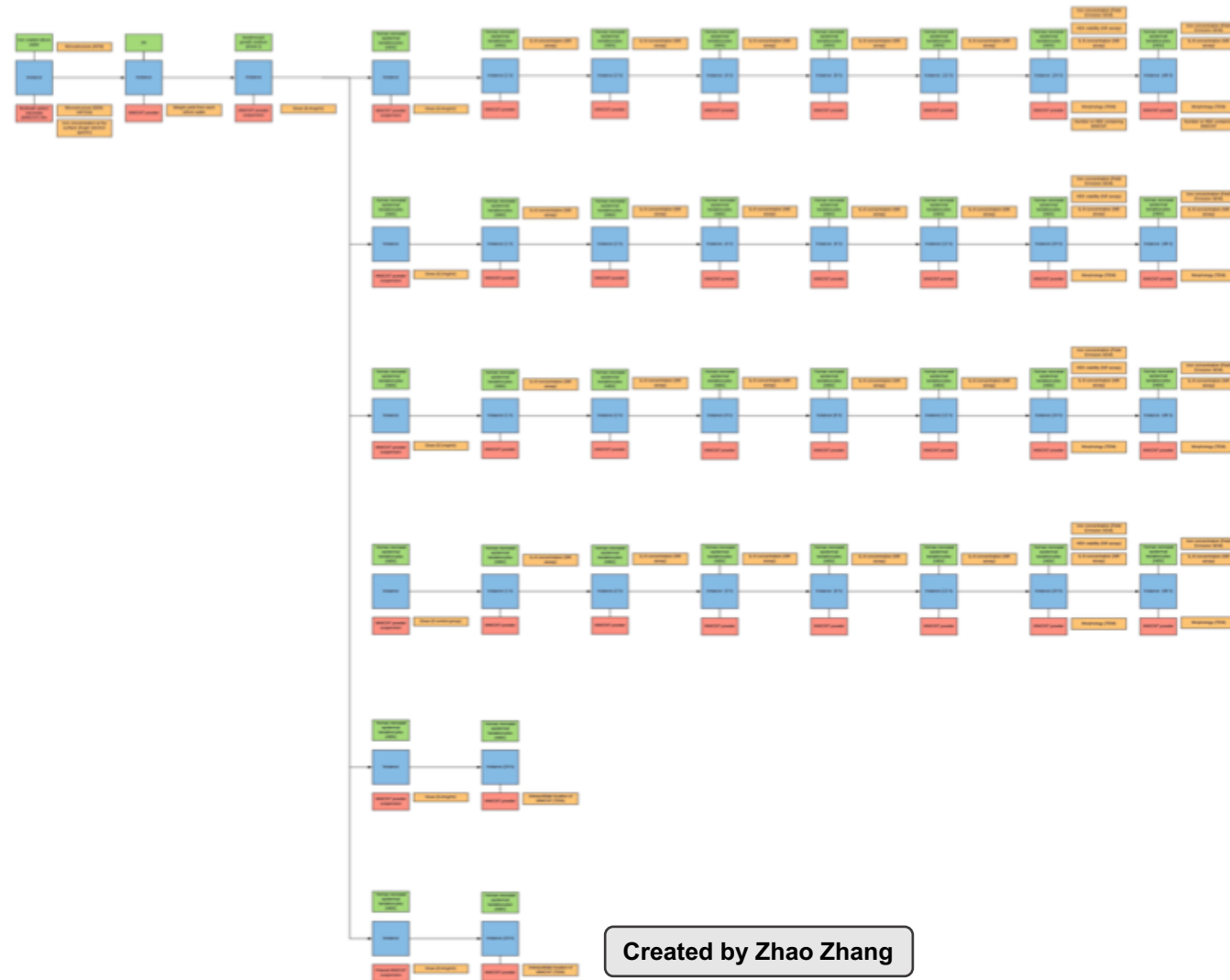**Supplementary** — Digital images, documents, or tables.

**Property** — Can be used to describe the instance, medium, material, or supplementary.

# NIKC Instance Organizational Structure



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# Instance Map: A Transformational Story



Created by Zhao Zhang

# Relating NIKC IOS to Literature Curation



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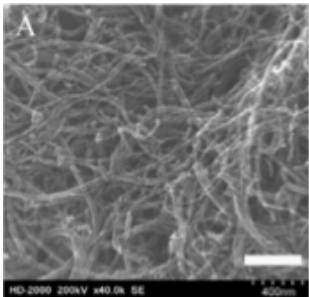
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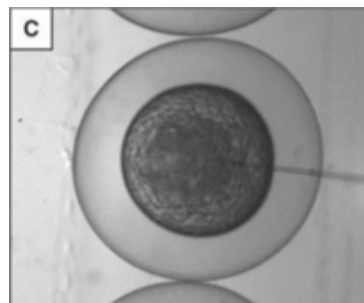[c] Department of Knowledge Transfer Office, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
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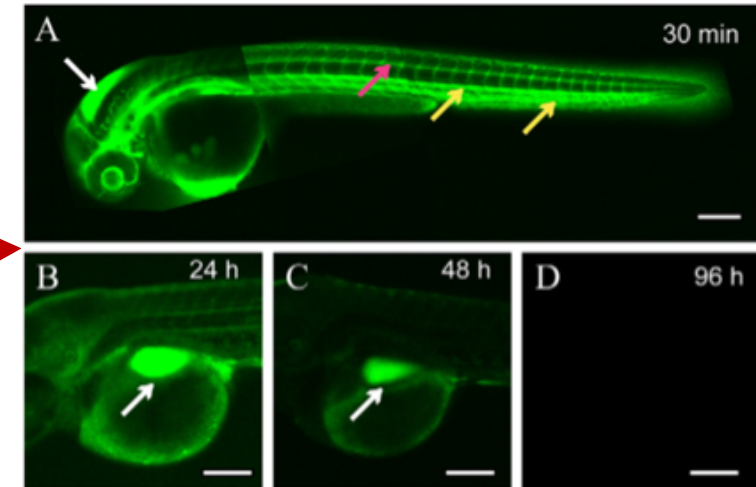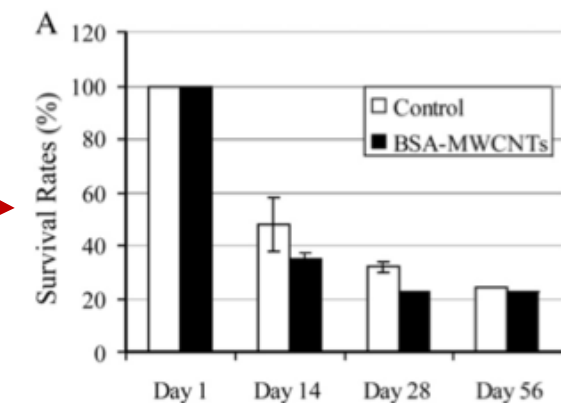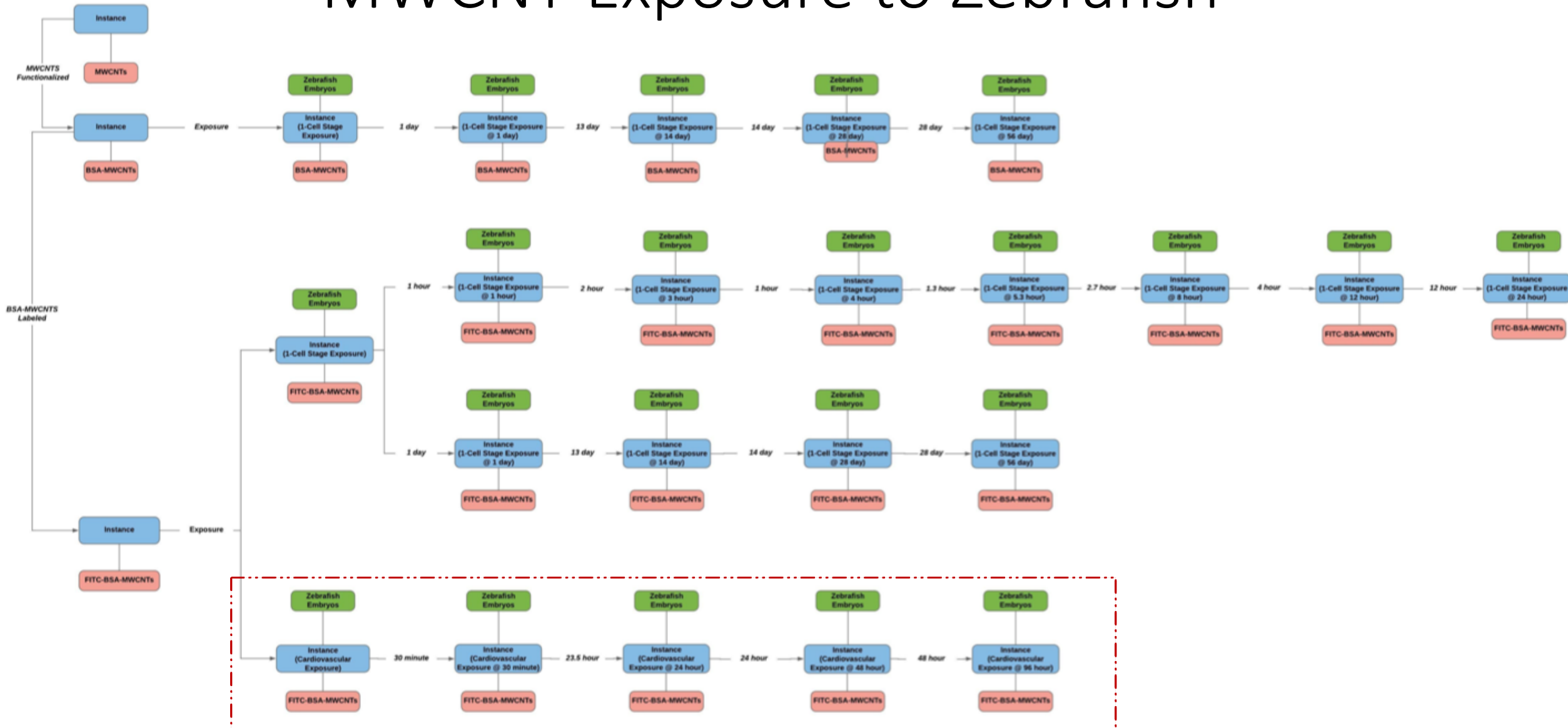
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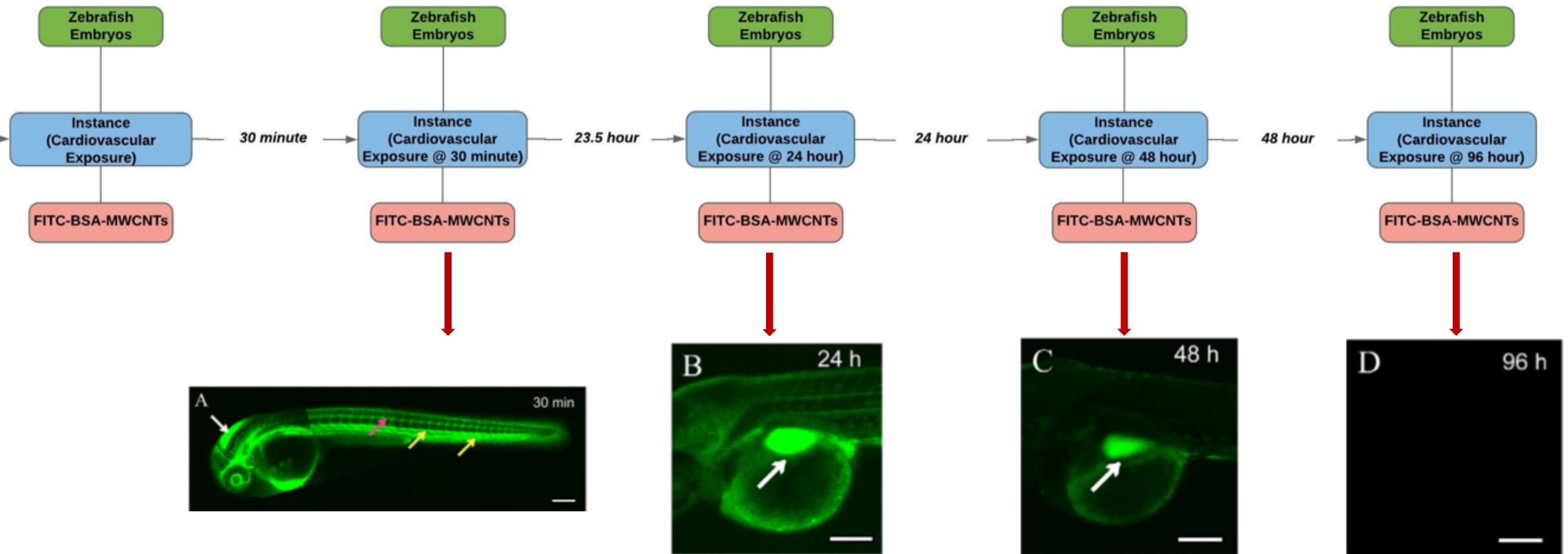
**Exposure**

**Biodistribution**

**Survival**

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# MWCNT Exposure to Zebrafish



1. Cheng, Jinping, et al. Toxicology and Applied Pharmacology 235 (2), 216-225. 2009 Mar 1.

# Track Measurements Over Multiple Timepoints

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# Relating NIKC IOS to Ongoing Research



**Instance Map**

**Mesocosm Template**

Created by Tassos Papadiamantis

# Differences in Curation Methods

## Literature Curation

**Identify Quality Data**
*CEINT interests*

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**Create Instance Map**
*Use as a curation guide*

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**Extract Data**
*Graphs, Tables, Images*

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**Enter Data into Excel Template**

## Ongoing Research

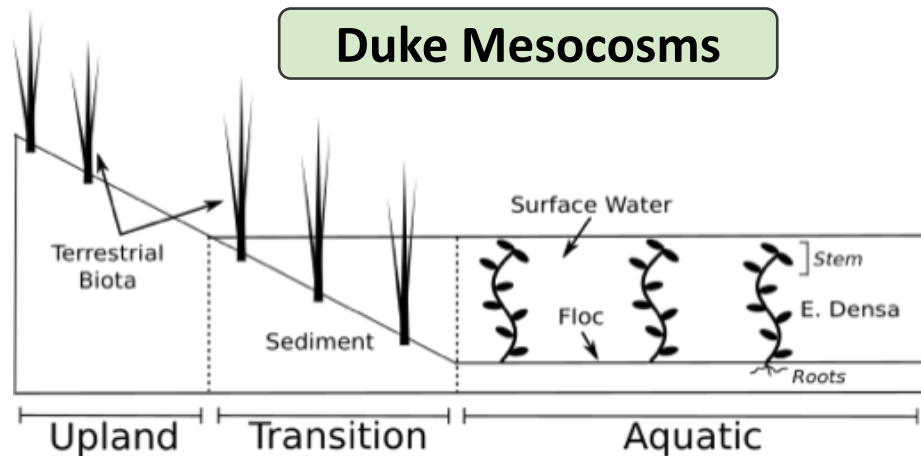**Collaborate with Researchers**
*Identify key measurements*

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**Create Experiment Template**

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**Create Instance Map**
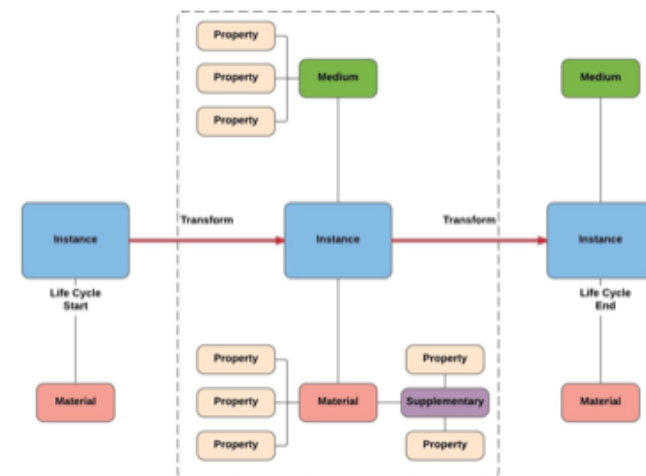*Verify template Structure*

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**Give Template to Researchers**
*Enter Data into Excel Template*

# NIKC IOS Structure Advantage



**Duke Mesocosms**

Shared by Nick Geitner

**Experimental Questions**

- *How does the media properties affect the nanomaterial's fate?*
- *What factors contribute most to speciation changes?*
- *Does introduction location of the nanomaterial change distribution?*

**Risk & Hazard**

- *How do we design safer nanomaterials?*
- *How do we regulate nanomaterials to reduce exposure risks?*
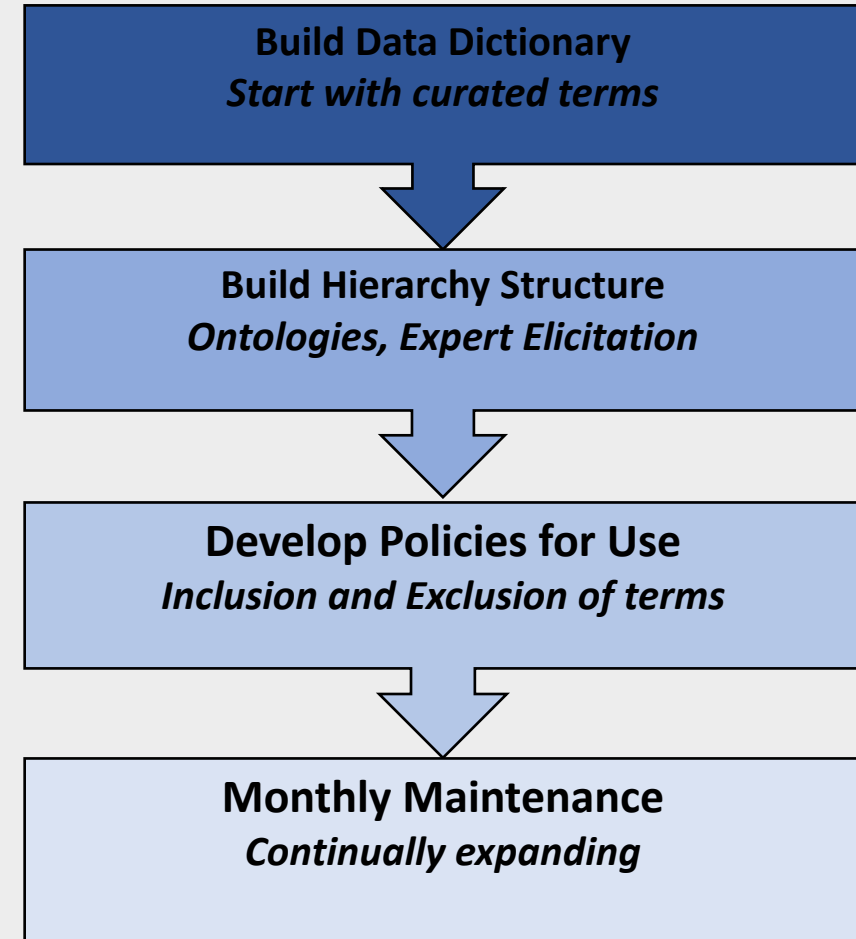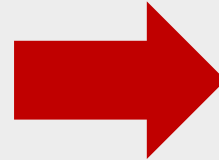
# CEINT NIKC Web Application Workflow

Web Application includes multiple components running on the web browser, database, and web server.



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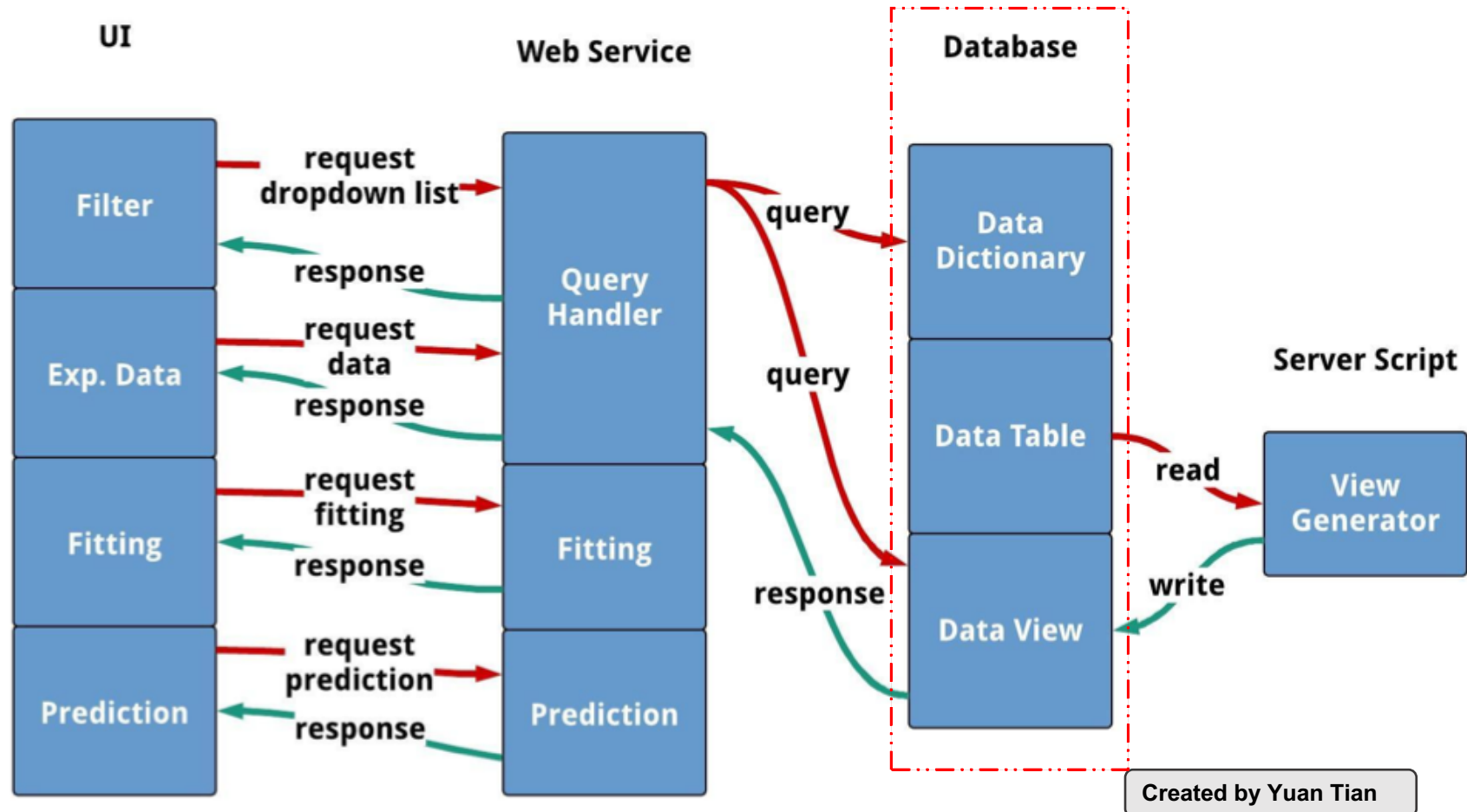
# Approaches to Building a Data Dictionary

**Necessary for Curation**

- Consistency in parameter term names

- Queryable by the database and NanoPHEAT

- Essential for interoperability between databases

- Identify non-ontology terms

**Build Data Dictionary**
*Start with curated terms*

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**Build Hierarchy Structure**
*Ontologies, Expert Elicitation*

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**Develop Policies for Use**
*Inclusion and Exclusion of terms*

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**Monthly Maintenance**
*Continually expanding*

# Partnered Growth of Data Dictionary
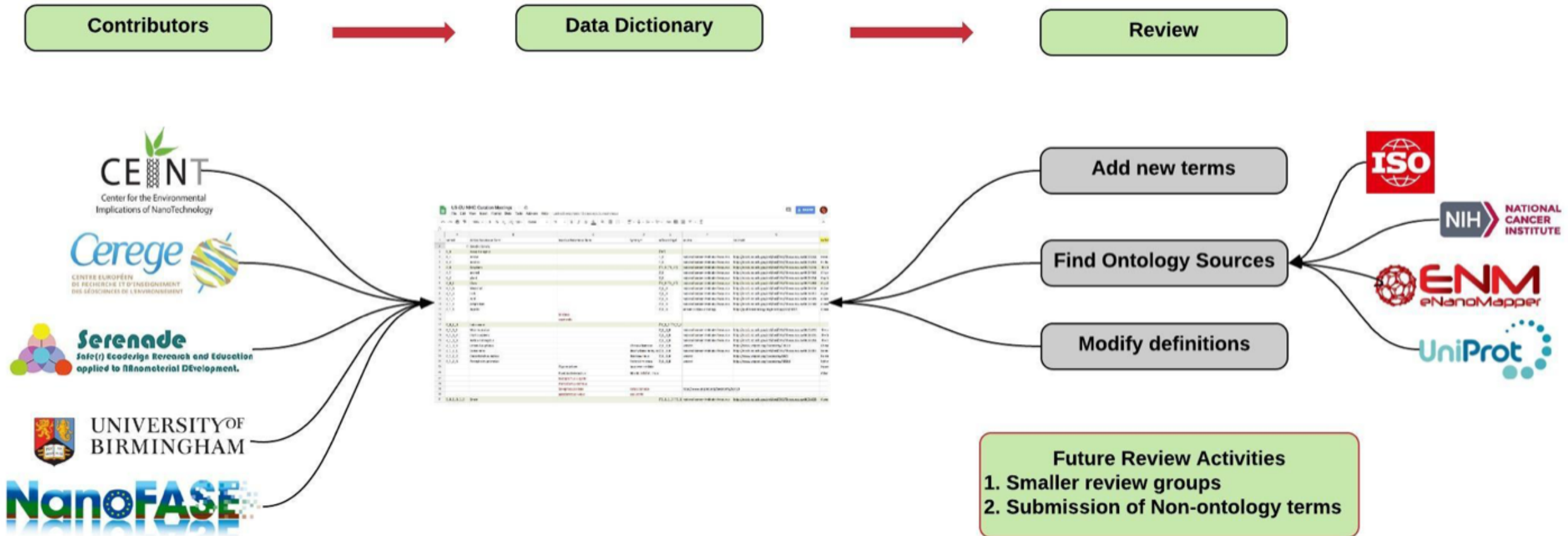
# Future Development of the Data Dictionary

## *Expansion of Data Dictionary*

- Regulatory terms

- Protocols and instruments

- Exposure

- Medium

POC: Tassos Papadiamantis

## *Dissolution*
### *Smaller Review Group*

- Determine an acceptable curation format.

- Identify necessary metadata for dissolution protocols.

- Identify terms that need to be further defined or eliminated.

Created by Fred Klaessig

**ISA-TAB-Nano Expanded: Data Submission Templates**

https://ceint.duke.edu/research/nikc/isa-tab-nano

Alpha & Dissolution Template
Led by Nancy Birkner

# NIKC Data Dictionary Visualization Tool

**Tool Demonstration by Yuan Tian**

## Data Curation

Link Data Dictionary to instance map

## Data Dictionary

Automate the Data Dictionary review process

## Interoperability

Create a shareable format that can be used for future tool development

# Presentation Summary

*CEINT has created the NanoInformatics Knowledge Commons Database and associated analytical tool, which can be leveraged by collaborators for individual research needs.*

*Growing the NIKC's curated datasets and building the Data Dictionary is a fluid process that is occurring in parallel collaborative efforts.*

*Open to further collaborations: US-EU Curation Meetings, Thursdays 9:00 EST.*

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