Bionano Interactions Modelling Vladimir Lobaskin (UCD)

Nanoparticles interact with various biological liquids and tissues when coming in contact with the human (animal) bodies.

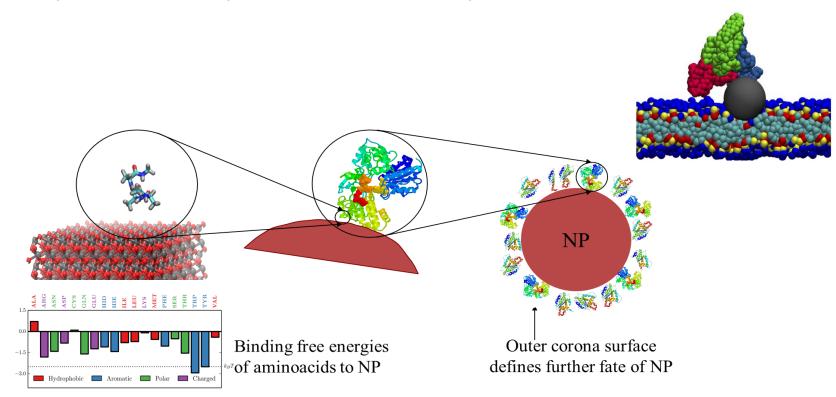
At different stages of systemic NP distribution one can observe interactions:

- 1. NP-protein , NP-single lipid interaction
- 2. NP-NP and NPB-NPB (NPB biomolecule complex)
- 3. NP-membrane and NPB-membrane
- 4. NP-DNA and NPB-DNA
- 5. NP-glycan
- 6. Metal ions-cytosol

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Direct atomistic modelling is unfeasible. Systematic coarse-graining + multiscale simulation needed:

 interaction with biomolecules/membranes, uptake, systemic transport (PBPK), descriptors



Challenges

- Lack of good force fields for atomistic modelling (hard-soft interface)
- Lack of data on hydrophobicity/hydrophilicity of NP surfaces, precision data on the NP coating
- Lack of data on protein/lipid adsorption on NPs, corona content
- Systemic response, long length- and timescales, lysis of corona
- Lack of data on the final state of NP in plasma (single particles, aggregates, etc.)

New approach: focus on initiating events of TPs / AOPs rather than endpoints/cytotoxicity: new descriptors needed.