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Evaluation Criteria: The application should describe all applicable data on a *single lead candidate* nanotechnology strategy. The primary evaluation criterion for white papers in Part I is the strategy's previously demonstrated efficacy in a biological system relevant to cancer research. The NCL appreciates that biologically relevant data for proposed nanotechnology strategies may be preliminary and limited because of the novelty of this field. However, white papers that address only the "material sciences" aspects of nanotechnology are not desired. If *in vivo* and/or *in vitro* experiments were not conducted, detailed scientific justification explaining why a given nanomaterial is advantageous in cancer diagnosis and/or therapy should be provided. Another important evaluation criterion for the Part I application is that the concept described in the application actually involves nanoscale components. Data demonstrating this (e.g. size measurements) is most appropriately included in the section titled "Physical/Chemical Characterization". For further information please visit: <https://ncl.cancer.gov/working-ncl/ncl-assay-cascade-application-process>.

Application Deadlines: Applications are accepted year round and reviewed four times per year. The quarterly deadlines are the first business day of March, June, September and December. Applications received after these deadlines are retained for review in the next cycle. Generally, decisions will be remitted within 45 days of the application deadline.

Submission: Please submit application electronically to ncl@mail.nih.gov. Annotate "White Paper Application" in the subject heading.

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Questions: For questions, please email ncl@mail.nih.gov.

I. ABSTRACT (300 words). Briefly summarize the purpose of your proposal.

II. BACKGROUND/INTRO (250 words). Provide details concerning the development of the nanomaterial.

III. STRATEGY/CONCEPT (300 words). Describe the method of action.

IV. PRELIMINARY DATA (AS APPLICABLE)

• **SYNTHESIS/PREPARATION** (150 words). Describe the synthesis and purification procedures.

• **PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL CHARACTERIZATION** (300 words). *Include solubility, size, composition, surface characteristics, purity, stability, and loading as applicable.*

• **IN VITRO** (300 words). *Discuss findings from in vitro safety and efficacy studies.*

• **IN VIVO** (300 words). *Discuss findings from in vivo safety and efficacy studies.*

V. DISCUSSION

• **NOVELTY** (150 words). Describe the unique aspects of the nanomaterial.

• **CLINICAL IMPACT** (150 words). Provide details concerning the advantages of the nanomaterial when compared to existing therapeutics and/or diagnostics.

• **COMPATIBILITY WITH SCALE-UP PRODUCTION** (50 words). Describe the manufacturing process and steps to increase batch quantities.

(Please attach sequentially numbered figures and data (with appropriate legends and captions) as necessary to support this application. Please reference these figures/tables by their number in the text of your application.)