

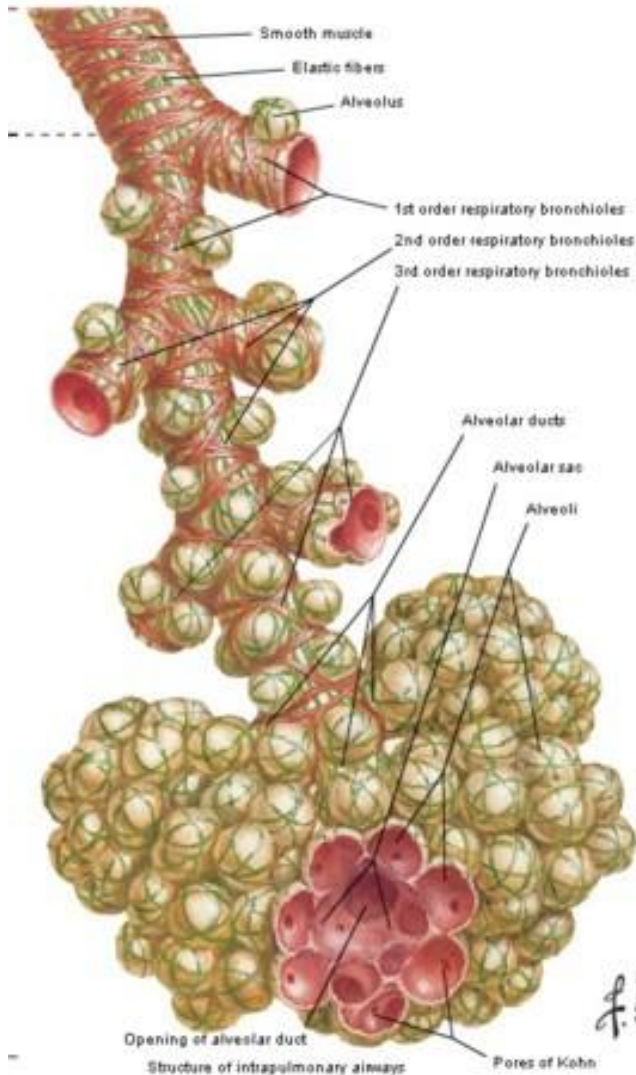
# The Work planned in nanoPASS to support the Weight of Evidence of AOP302: Lung Surfactant Function Inhibition Leads to reduced Lung Function

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# The respiratory part of the lungs



Terminal bronchioles

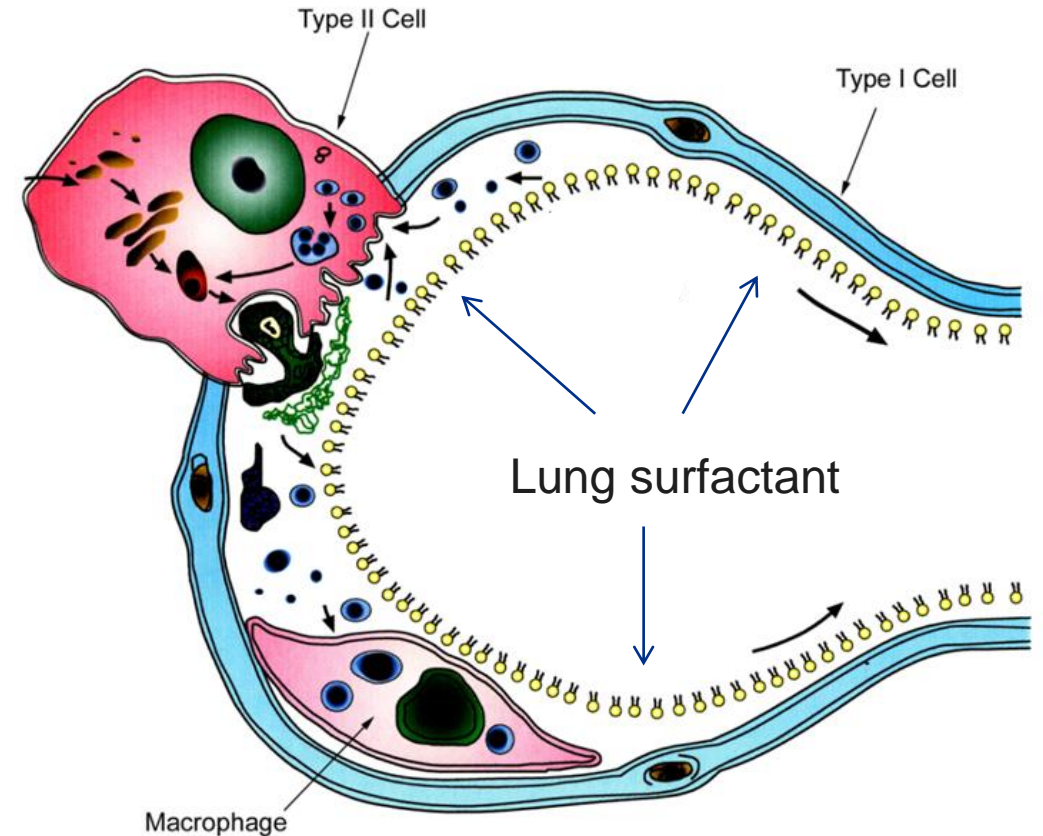
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Respiratory bronchioles

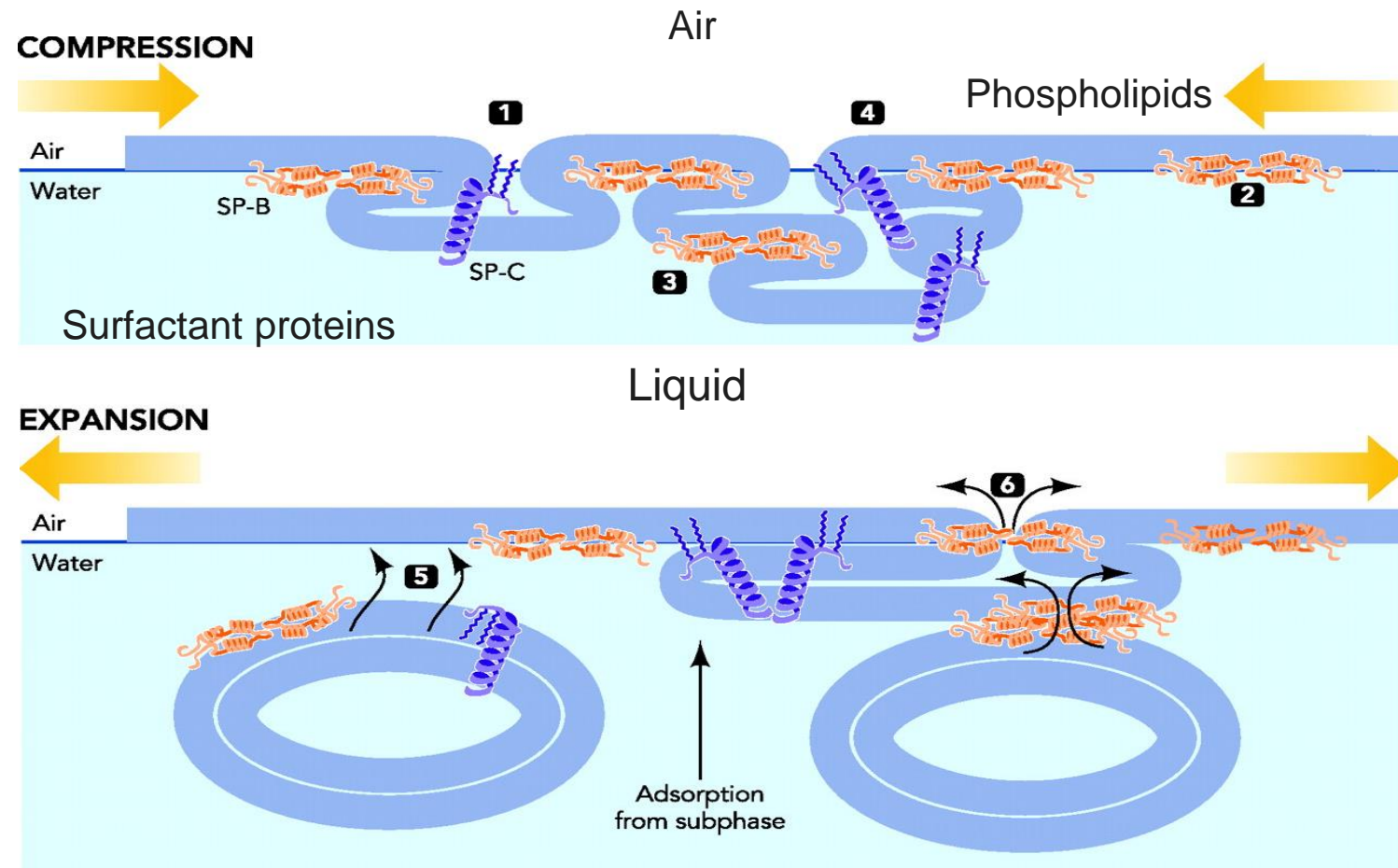
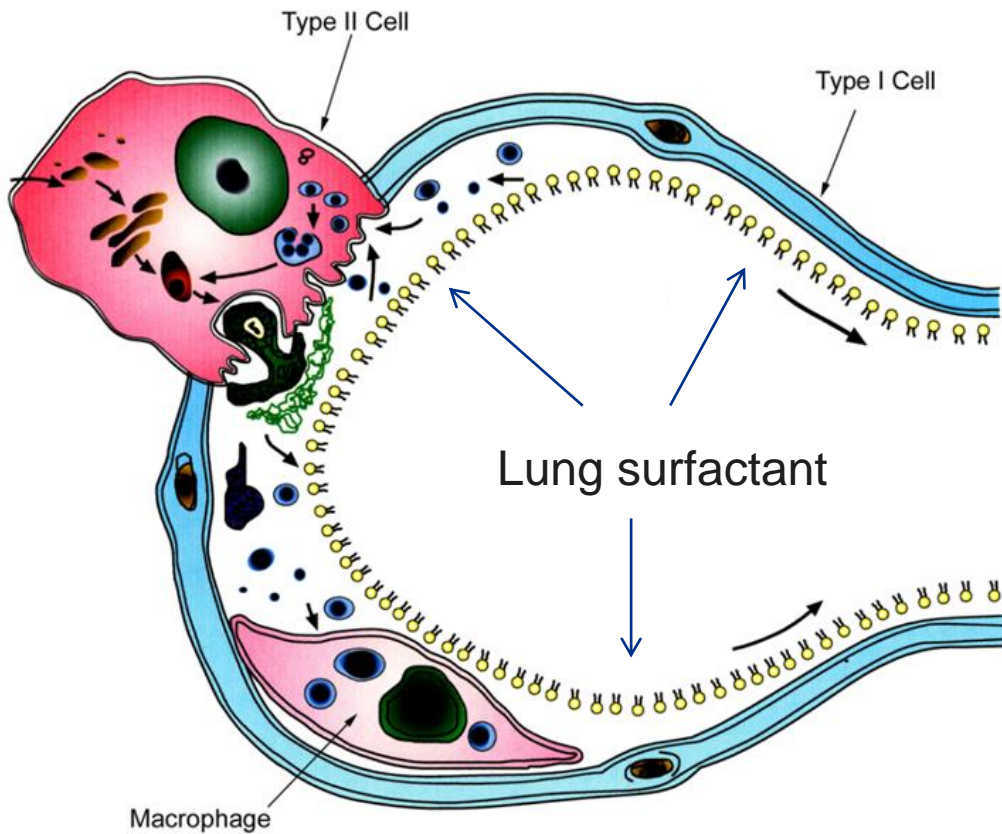
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Alveoli

- ~0.2 mm (constantly changing)
- 480 million alveoli
- Surface area ~70 m<sup>2</sup>



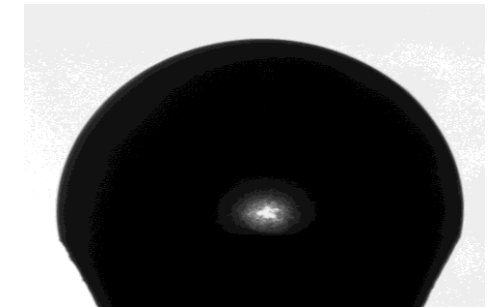
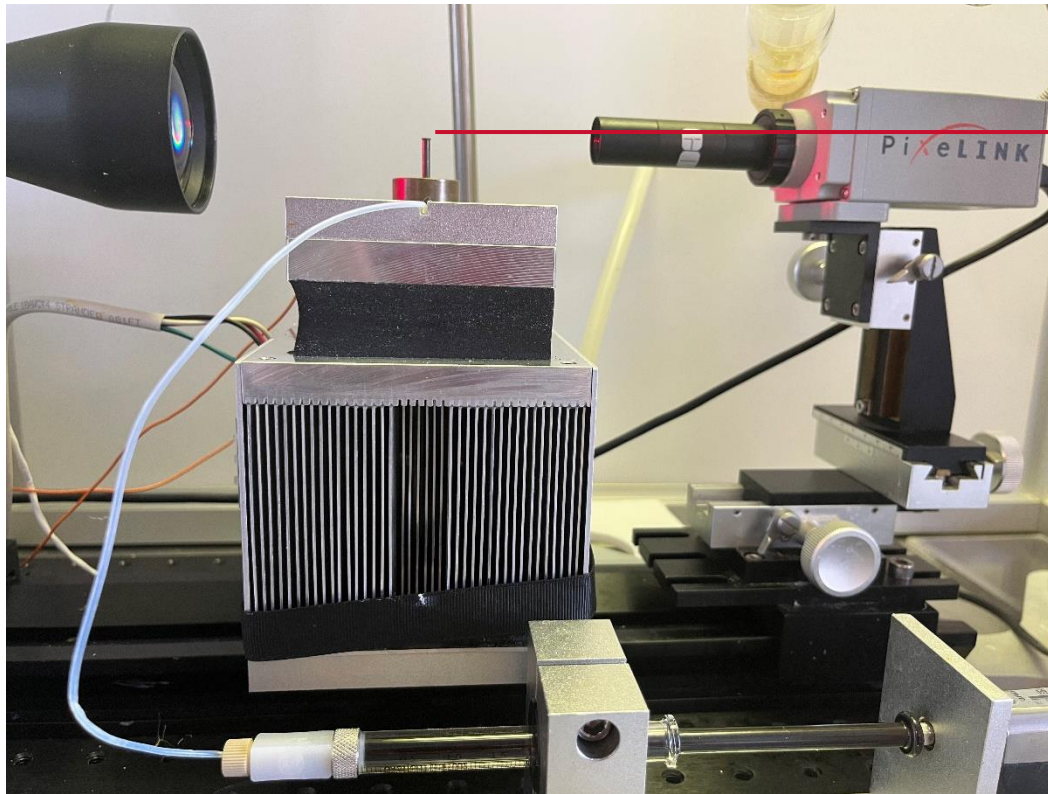
# Lung surfactant function

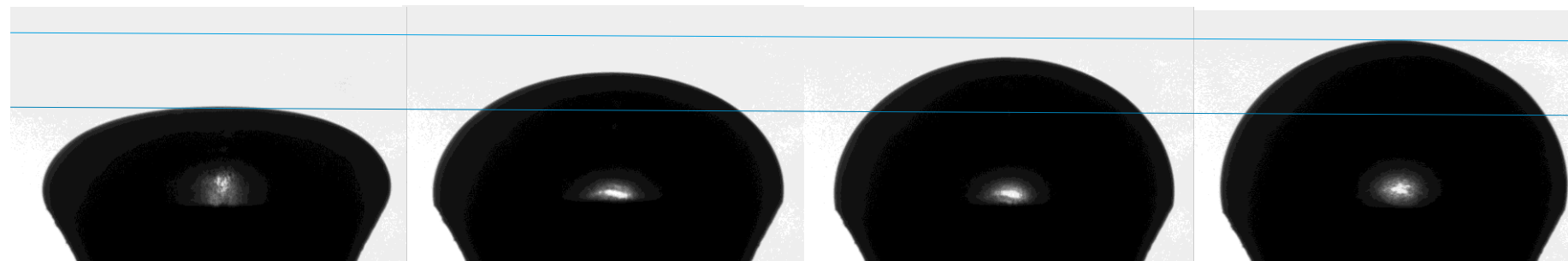
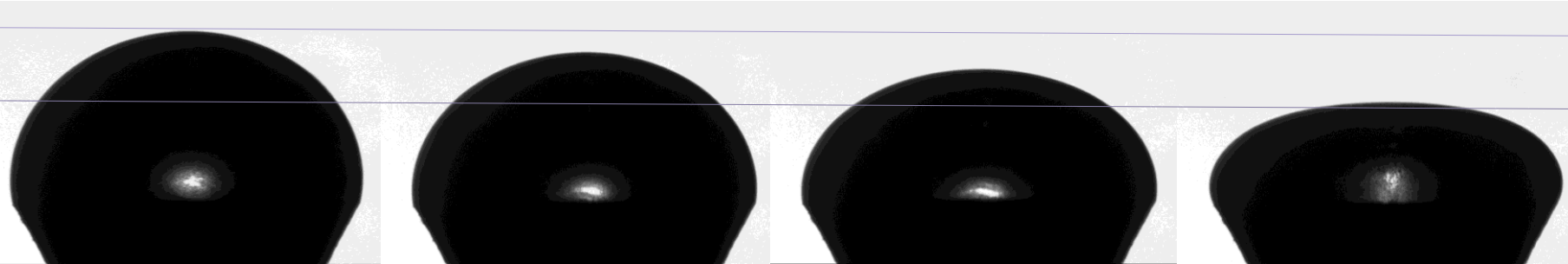
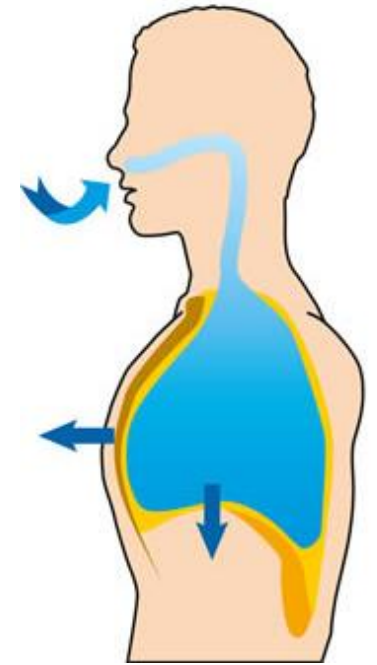
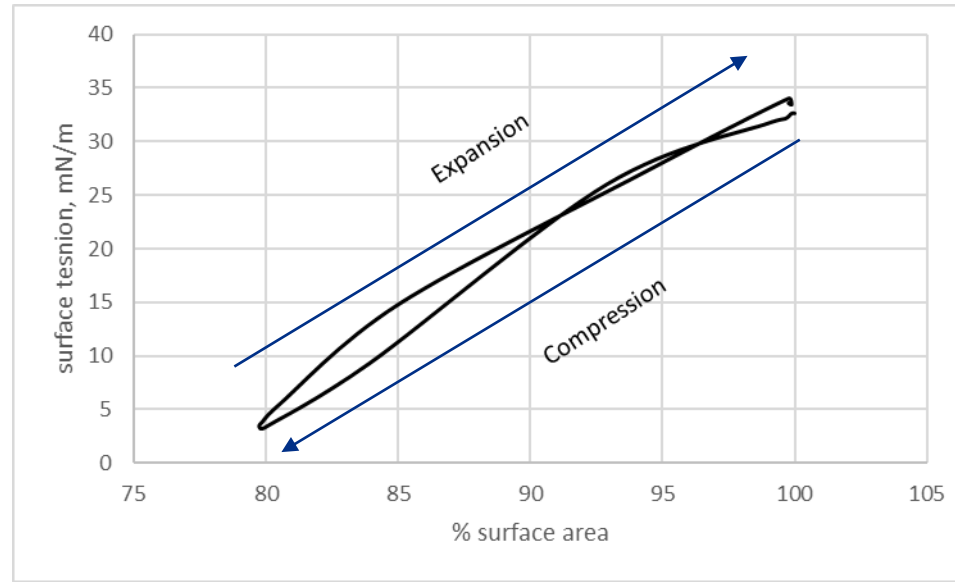
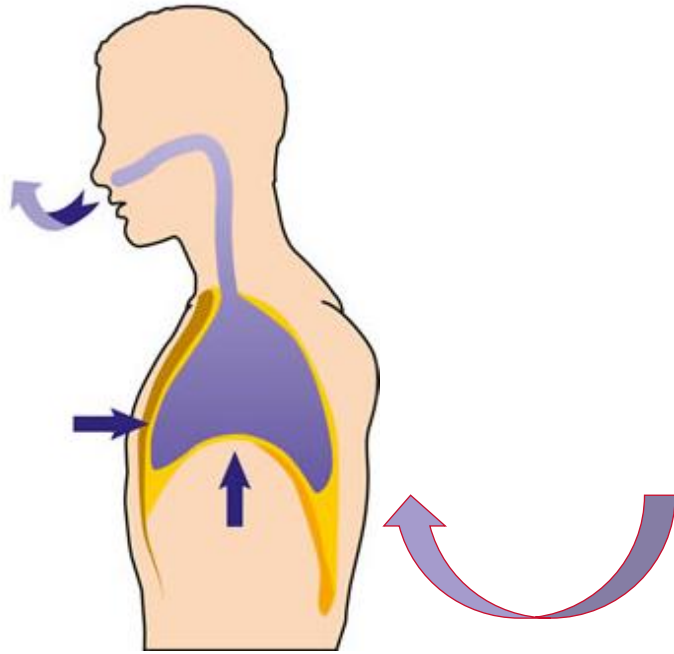


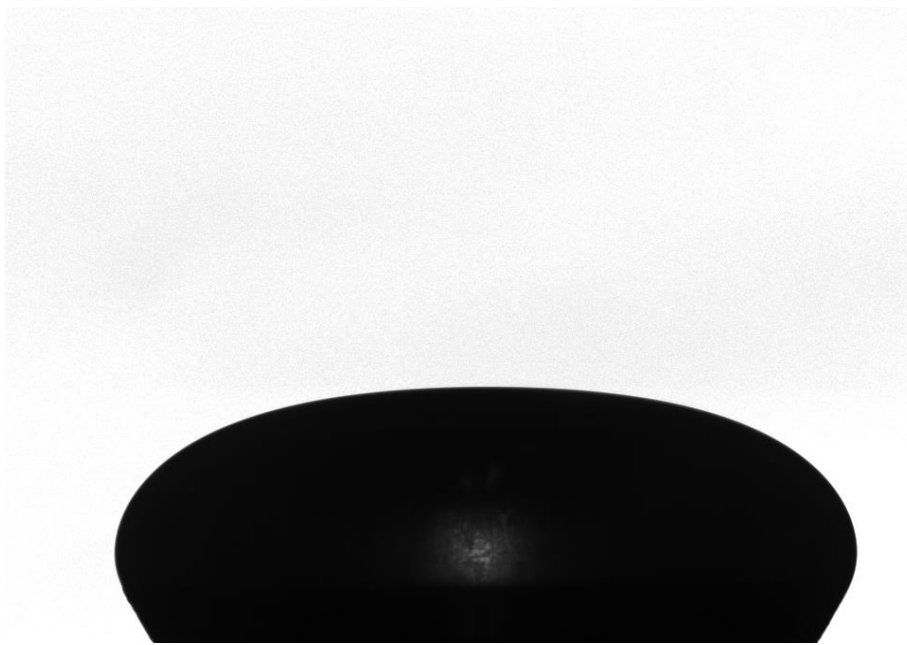
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## In the lab

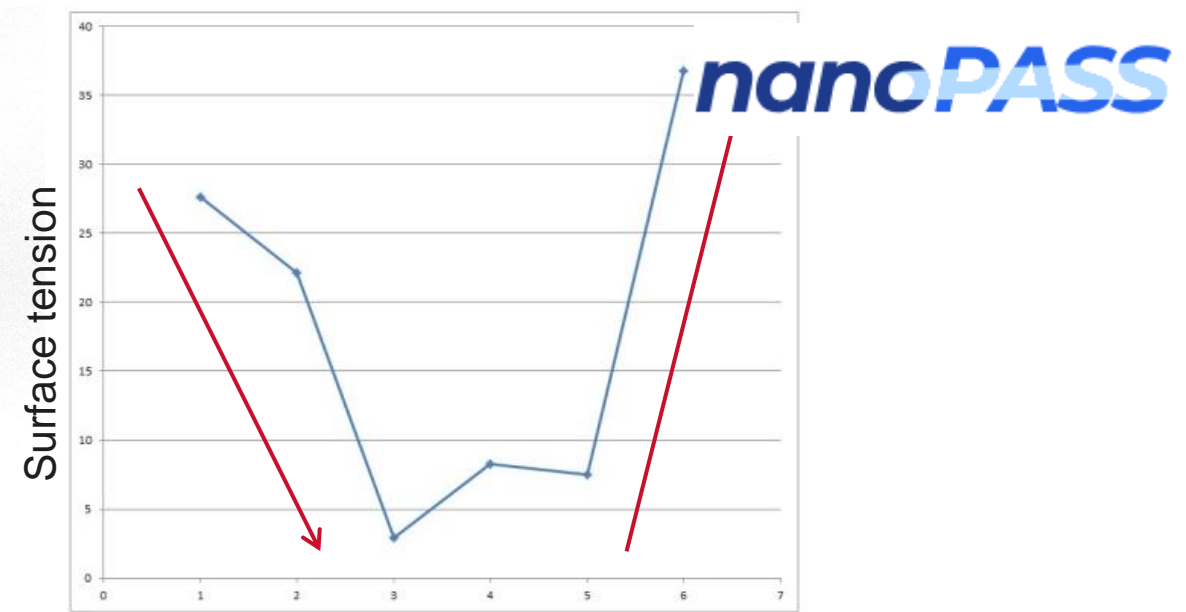




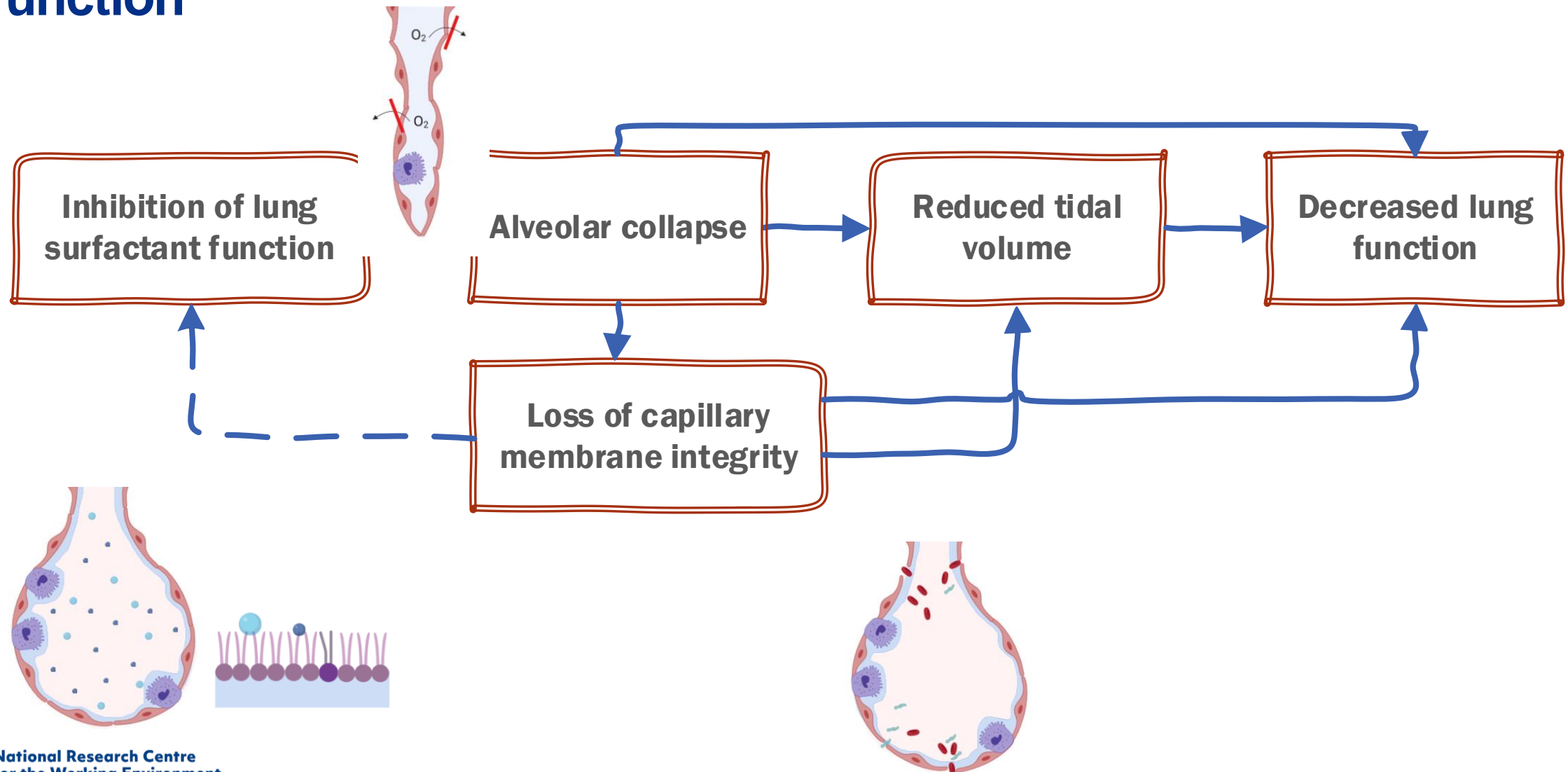


Minimum surface tension!

Aerosol exposure of test substance

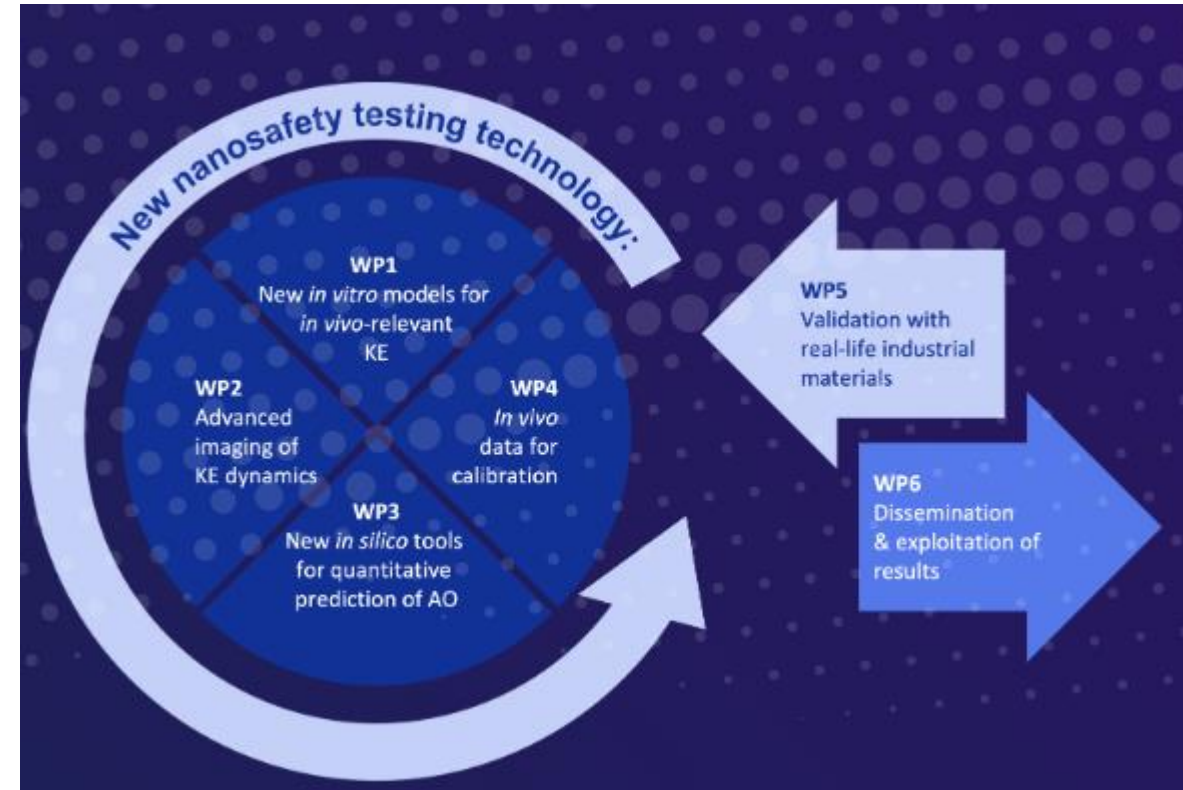


# AOP 302: Lung surfactant function inhibition leading to reduced lung function



# nanoPASS

- **Objective 1:** Develop new *in vitro* models relevant for prediction of *in vivo* adverse outcomes (AOs).
- **Objective 4:** Calibrate and validate the *in vitro* adverse outcome prediction models with *in vivo* data
  - - historical data, and case studies with cement, nanoplastics, electronics waste material, and advanced materials for catalysis and medical applications, collected at different stages of their life cycle.





# Effect of substances on lung surfactant function

- Case: impregnation products
- Predictiveness of the in vitro method
- Combining the in vitro method with exposure modeling
- Planned work in nanoPASS

## Impregnation products as an example

- Make surfaces dirt and water repellent
- Used both by consumers and workers



# Human poisoning cases

- People frequently experience respiratory problems after using impregnation sprays, even if the instructions for use are followed
- Often sold in pressurized cans -> creates aerosol droplets that are small -> penetrate deep into the lungs
- Symptoms (shortness of breath, coughing, tightness in the chest, difficulty breathing) occur shortly after application
- Most recover with supportive care



## Case



- Used 2 spray cans on her new sofa
- Windows and doors open
- Sprayed 30 min
- Coughing, tightness in the chest, difficulty breathing, headache, nausea, fever

# Predictiveness of measuring lung surfactant function inhibition

Chemical or product	Lung surfactant function measure	In vivo comparison	Type of data	n	Predictiveness
Impregnation products	CDS	Breathing pattern changes in mice	Whole body plethysmographs	22	Sensitivity: 100% Specificity: 63%
		Human data	Accidental exposure	7	

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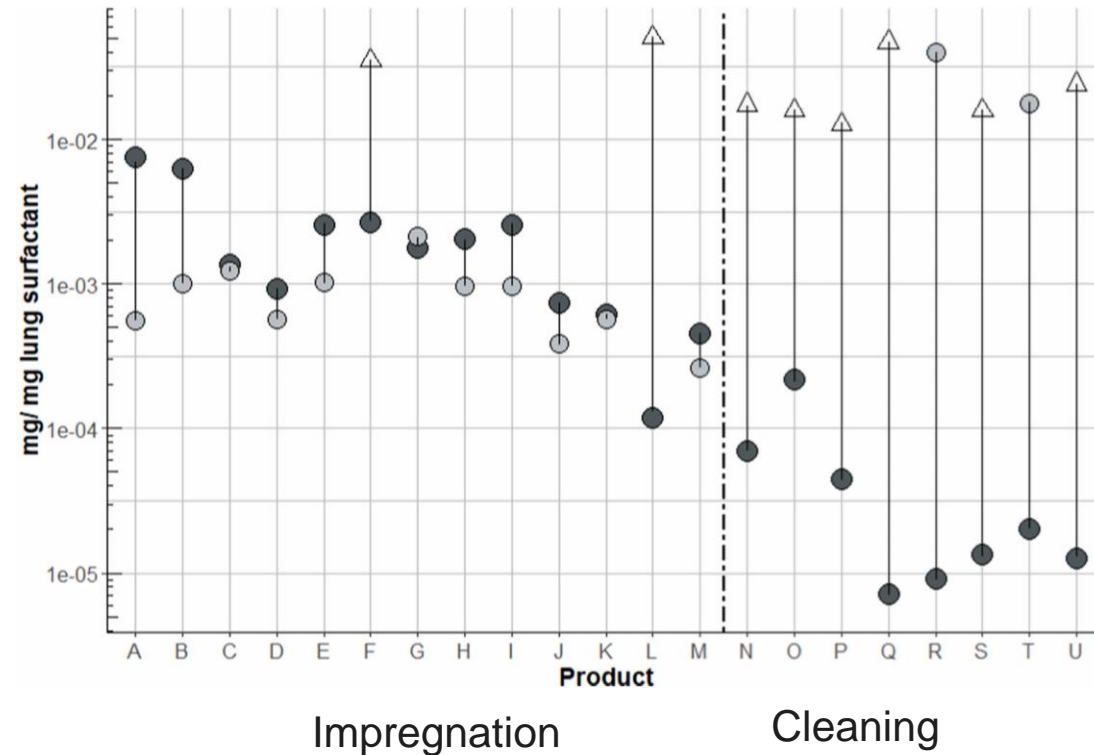
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# Combining *in vitro* assay and exposure modelling

- 13 products for impregnation
- 8 cleaning spray products
- Exposure assessment in chamber
- Estimating alveolar deposited dose by modelling
- Test for lung surfactant function inhibition



- Deposited alveolar dose in use scenario
- Inhibiting dose
- | Margin of safety

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## Work planned in NanoPASS

- Test particles from industrial cases for lung surfactant function inhibition
- Compare with data generated in the rest of the consortium
- Integrate data in weight of evidence for AOP302
  
- **Challenges**
  - Dose estimation is possible, but sometimes challenging. Does not always compare to in vivo estimated doses
  - Only tests one toxicological target in the lungs and needs to be combined with other in vitro methods

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