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Magnetic nanofluids and composites: how to tailor their properties through composition for engineering and biomedical applications

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Short history

FLUIDITY + MAGNETIC PROPERTIES = ??



New materials, new phenomena

Ferrofluids/Magnetic fluids

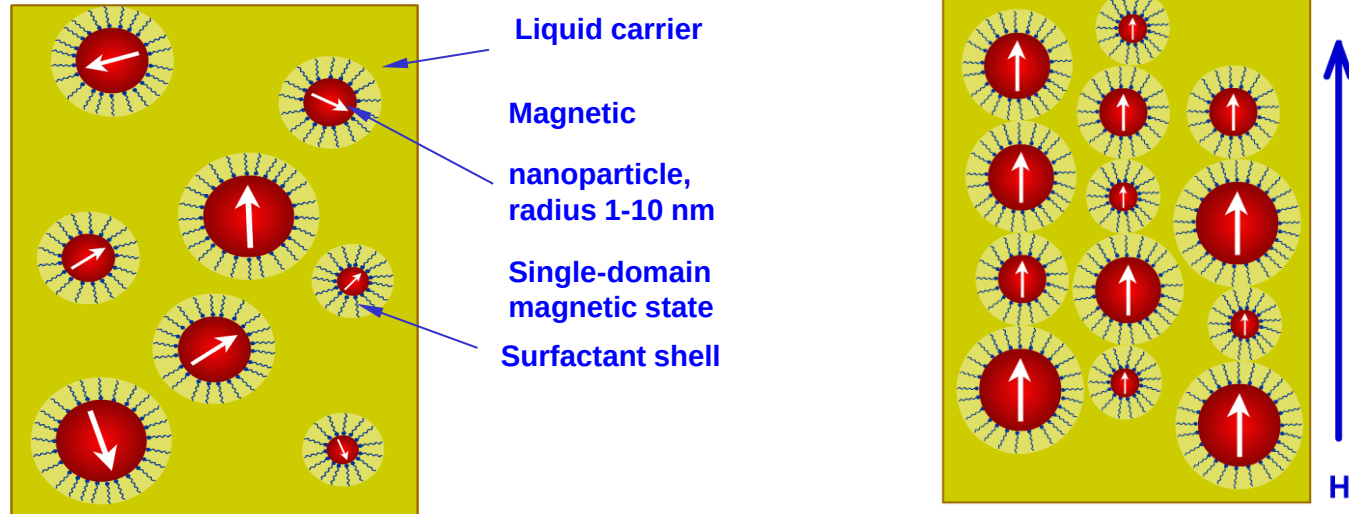
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Magnetorheological fluids

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Magnetic nanofluid (ferrofluid)

Composition, magnetic behavior



Ultrastable colloidal suspension of magnetic nanoparticles (3-15 nm) in a carrier liquid

Langevin type magnetic behavior
Superparamagnetism

$$M_L = \phi_M M_d \left(\coth \xi - \frac{1}{\xi} \right) \quad \xi = \frac{\pi \mu_0 M_d D_m^3 H}{6 k_B T}$$

Magnetic fluids

- First publications -

Magnetic suspensions:

- G. Knight (1779) (Fe/water) F. Bitter (1932) (Fe₃O₄/water) W. C. Elmore (1938) (Fe₃O₄/water)...

Magnetic fluids:

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- R.E. Rosensweig, Buoyancy and stable levitation of a magnetic body immersed in a magnetizable liquid, Nature (London), 210 (1966) 613
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Ferrofluids in Romania

❖ Synthesis of first ferrofluids

Centre for Technical Physics, Iasi
... 1970-1975 ...

❖ The first book on ferrofluids- worldwide (!)

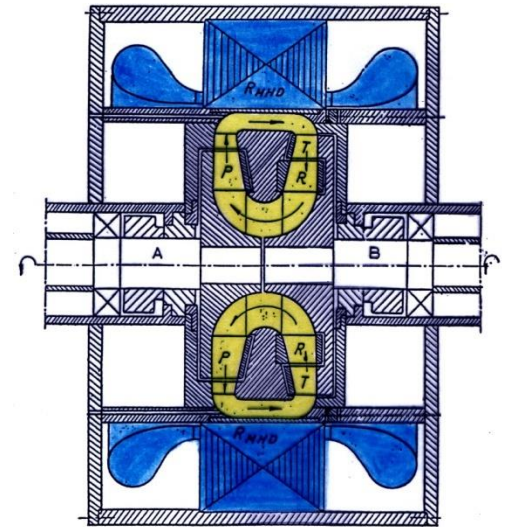
E. Luca, G. Calugaru, R. Badescu, C. Cotaș,
V. Badescu, Ferofluidelor și aplicațiile lor în
industrie (Ferrofluids and their industrial
applications), Editura Tehnica, București, 1978
(336 pages)

❖ The first dedicated laboratory in Romania

Laboratory of Magnetic Fluids from Timisoara
Dept. Hydraulic Machinery-Univ. "Politehnica" Timisoara
Prof. Ioan Anton, 1975

Mark Shliomis, **Magnitnie zhidkosti**, Usp. Fiz. Nauk, 1974

MHD turbotransformer



Patent RO Nr.57574
Prof. Ioan Anton 1971

Influence of the rotating
magnetic field
on the angular momentum
of the liquid

Ferrohydrodynamics (FHD)

Equations of motion

Magnetic fluid – fluid with internal rotation, non-symmetric stress tensor

$$\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \rho \vec{g} + \mu_0 (\vec{M} \nabla) \vec{H} + \frac{\mu_0}{2} \nabla \times (\vec{M} \times \vec{H}) + \eta \nabla^2 \vec{v} \quad \text{FHD}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{M}}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\tau_B} (\vec{M} - \vec{M}_0); \quad \vec{M}_0 = nmL(\xi) \frac{\vec{\xi}}{\xi} \quad \text{Relaxation of magnetization}$$

$$\vec{\xi} = \frac{\mu_0 m \vec{H}}{k_B T}; \quad \tau_B = \frac{3\eta V}{k_B T}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0; \quad \vec{M} = f(\vec{H})$$

M. Shliomis, **Magnitnie jidkosti**, Usp.Fiz.Nauk, 1974
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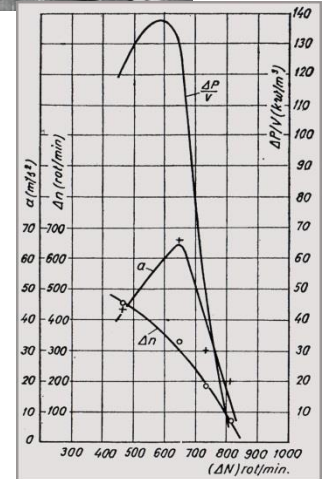
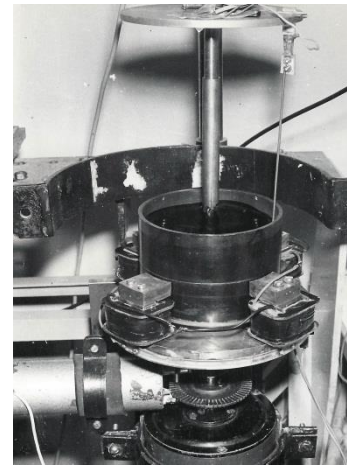
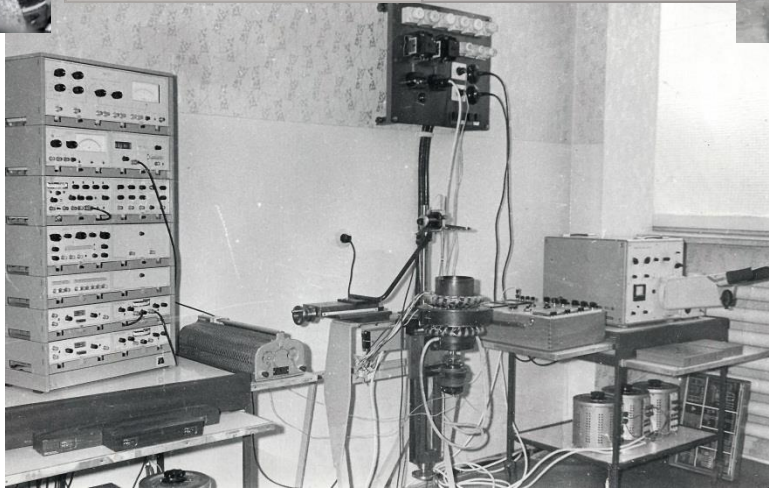
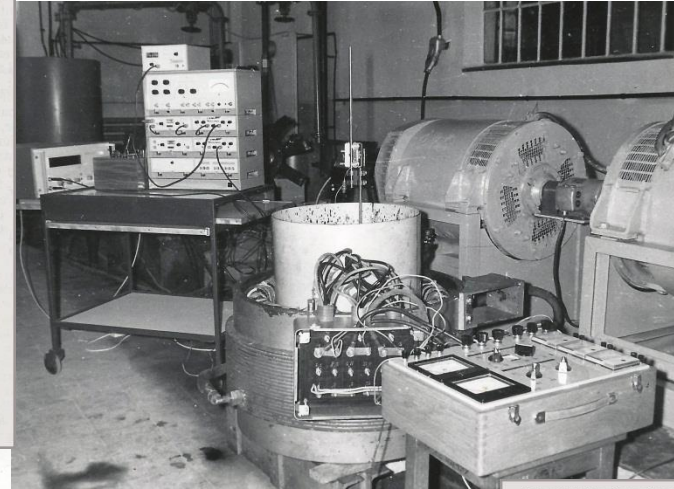
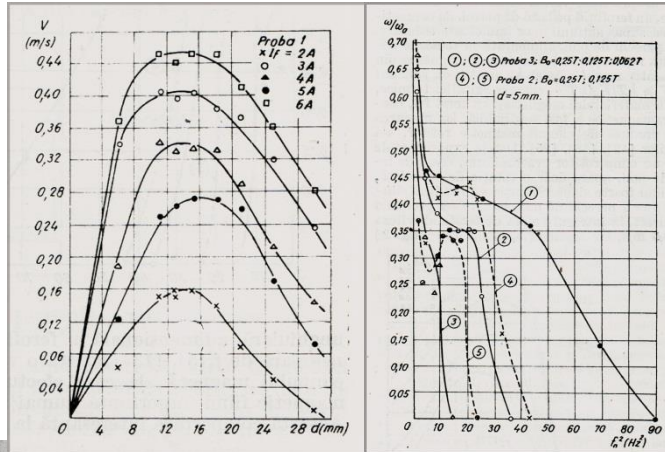
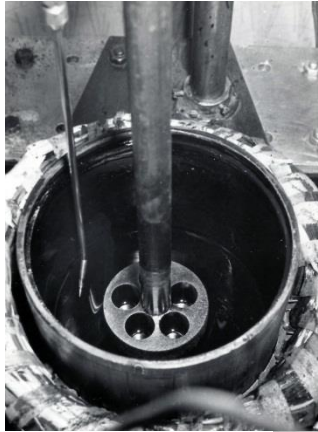
Volumic force: $\mathbf{f}=\mu_0\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{H})\text{grad}\mathbf{H}$ for quasistatic conditions

Ferrofluid flow in rotating magnetic field



$$\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \rho \vec{g} + \mu_0 (\vec{M} \nabla) \vec{H} + \frac{\mu_0}{2} \nabla \times (\vec{M} \times \vec{H}) + \eta \nabla^2 \vec{v}$$

R.E. Rosensweig
M.I. Shliomis



I. Anton, L. Vékás, I. Potencz, E. Suciú, *Ferrofluid flow under the influence of rotating magnetic fields*, IEEE Trans. on Magnetics (USA), MAG-16 (2) 283-287 (1980)

Introduction

Magnetic nanoparticles

Superparamagnetism

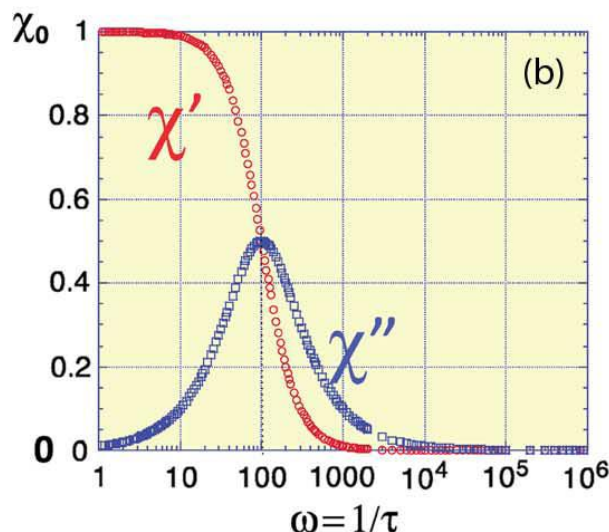
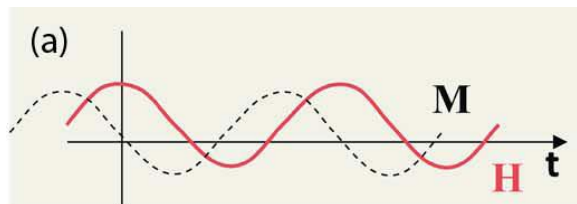
Colloidal stability

Magnetic force

Magnetically controllable fluids

Superparamagnetic particles – basic components of magnetic fluids

Relaxation of magnetization – response of MNPs to an a.c. magnetic field

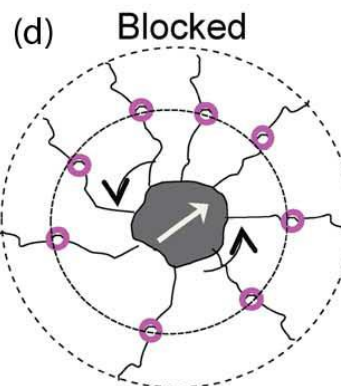


χ' – real (in phase) component
 χ'' – imaginary (loss) component



$$\tau_N = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \tau_o \frac{\exp(KV_M/k_B T)}{(KV_M/k_B T)^{3/2}}$$

Néel

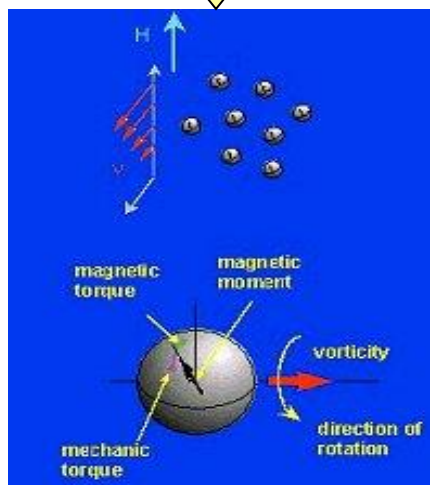


$$\tau_B = \frac{3\eta V_H}{k_B T}$$

Brown

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_B} + \frac{1}{\tau_N}$$

τ - effective relaxation time



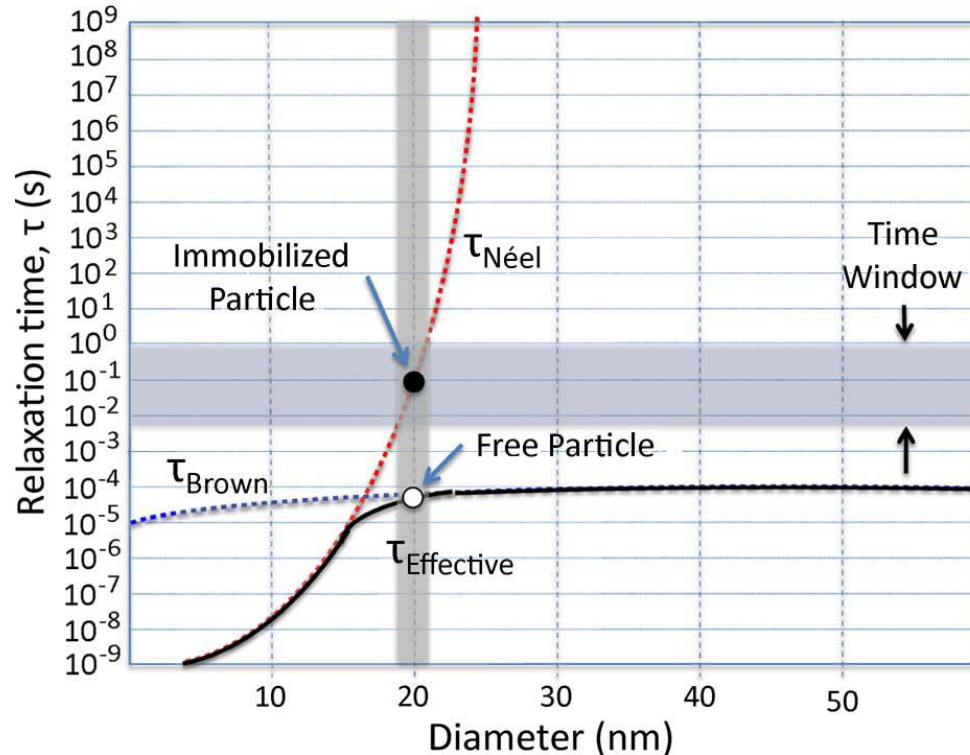
Microvortices
in a viscous carrier
--“rigid” dipoles--

K.M. Krishnan
IEEE Trans Magn 2010

S. Odenbach in: Handbook
of Magnetic Materials,
vol. 16 (2006)

Superparamagnetic particles

Dependence of relaxation time on MNP size



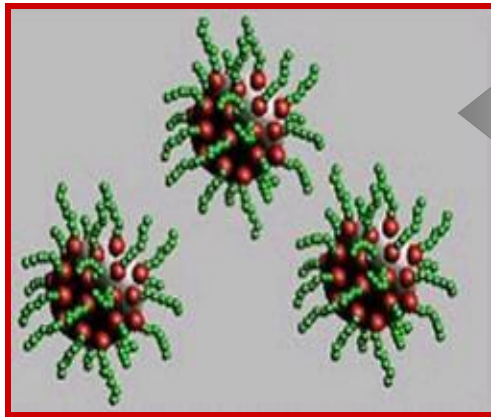
The dependence of the Brownian, Néel and effective relaxation time on the particle “magnetic” diameter. Liquid carrier: water ($\eta = 10^{-3}$ Ns/m²). The time window is set by the measurement. A coating thickness of 15 nm, anisotropy constant $K=20$ kJ/m³ and $T= 300$ K is assumed. (Kotitz et al. JMMM (1999))

Magnetic nanofluids-Colloidal stability

Individual particles vs. clusters

Dependence on the size of magnetic nanoparticles

Stabilization procedures prevent gravitational settling of MNPs, agglomerate formation by magnetic and van der Waals interactions

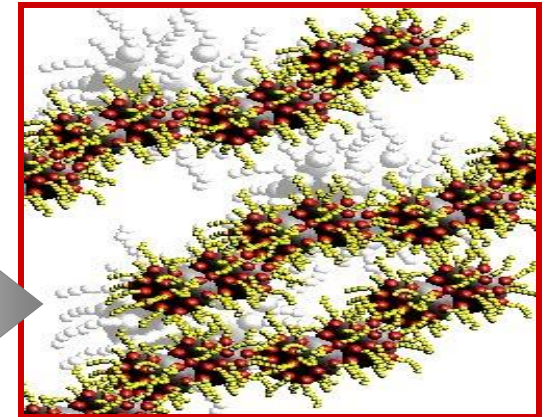


$$\lambda_{\text{int}} < 1$$

$$\lambda_{\text{int}} = \frac{\mu_0 \cdot M_d^2 \cdot d_m^3}{72 k_b \cdot T}$$

Non-dimensional dipolar
interaction energy

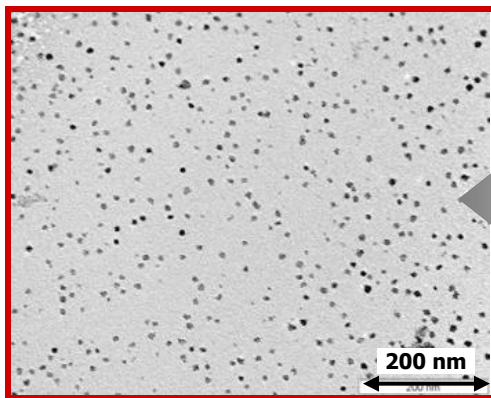
$$\lambda_{\text{int}} > 1$$



Stable FF, individual particles
no clusters!

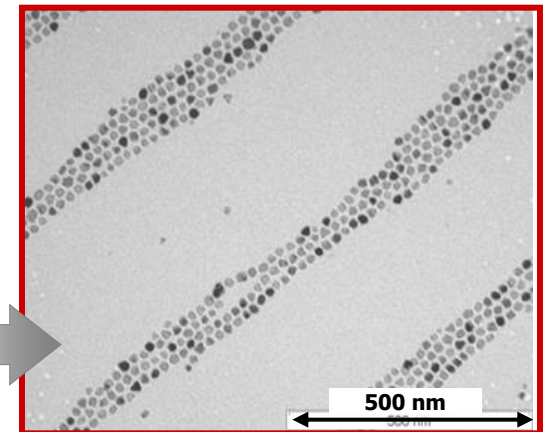
Unstable FF, **cluster formation!**

Magnetite nanoparticles



$$d_{\text{TEM}} = 9.0 \text{ nm}$$
$$\lambda_{\text{int}} = 0.5$$

$$d_{\text{TEM}} = 18.6 \text{ nm}$$
$$\lambda_{\text{int}} = 4.4$$



Cryo-TEM: FF/Decalin (OA)

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S. Odenbach, Ferrofluids, 2006
M. Klokkenburg et al., JoPhys CM, 2008

Well stabilized magnetic fluid vs. usual magnetic suspension

Behavior in non-uniform magnetic field

The utmost significance of stabilization procedure applied



Group Prof. Etelka Tombácz-Univ. Szeged (www.magneticmicrosphere.com)

Magnetic force: magnetic fluid “flows upward”

Volumic force: $f = \mu_0 M(H) \text{grad} H$ for quasistatic conditions

Magnetic force about 10^4 times greater than gravitational force



Demo- Exhibition_100 years anniversary of Laboratory Van't Hoff, Univ Utrecht
Prof. A.P. Philipse (Utrecht), Dr. Doina Bica (Timisoara) (2001)

MAGNETICALLY CONTROLLABLE FLUIDS

- **Ferrofluids, magnetic nanofluids**
 - **Ultrastable colloidal suspensions of magnetic nanoparticles in a carrier liquid**
Quasihomogeneous magnetizable liquids
Approximatively Langevin type magnetic behavior and Newtonian flow properties, small magnetoviscous effect
- **Magnetorheological fluids**
 - **Suspensions of micron sized ferromagnetic particles in a carrier liquid**
Non-newtonian behavior, strongly magnetic field dependent yield stress and effective viscosity (about 100-1000 times increase)
- **Nano-micro structured composite magnetizable fluids**
 - **Micron-sized ferromagnetic (Fe) particles suspended in a high magnetization ferrofluid carrier**
Non-newtonian behavior, strongly magnetic field dependent yield stress and effective viscosity (about 100-1000 times increase)
Excellent sealing fluids & MR fluids

Synthesis and characterization

How to obtain highly stable magnetic colloids?

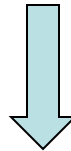
Synthesis & stabilization procedures

I. Synthesis of magnetic nanoparticles

- Chemical co-precipitation
- Thermal decomposition

II. Stabilization/dispersion in non-polar or polar carrier liquids

- Steric stabilization (organic carriers)
- Electro-steric stabilization (water)



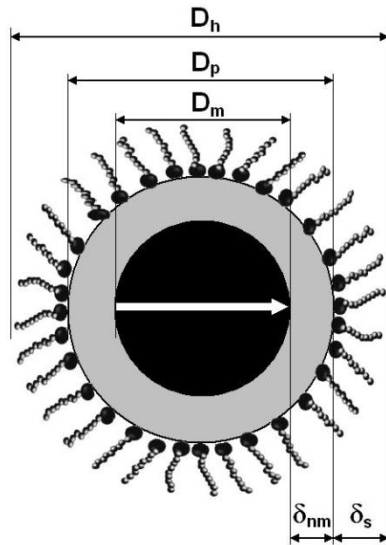
Magnetic nanoparticles dispersed in various carriers
Magnetic nanofluids

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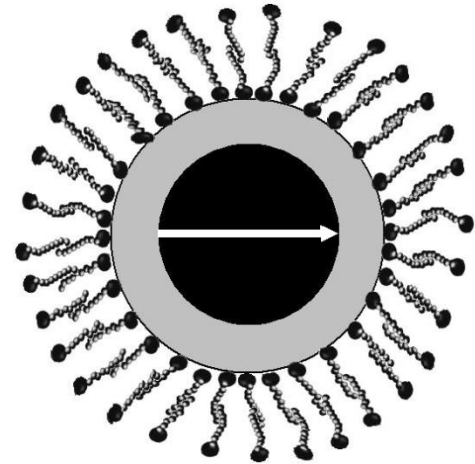
Hydrophobic and hydrophilic magnetite nanoparticles

Structure & characteristic sizes

Magnetic, physical and hydrodynamic size



D_m – magnetic diameter
 D_p – physical diameter
 D_h – hydrodynamic diameter
 δ_m – thickness of the nonmagnetic layer
 δ_s – thickness of the surfactant layer



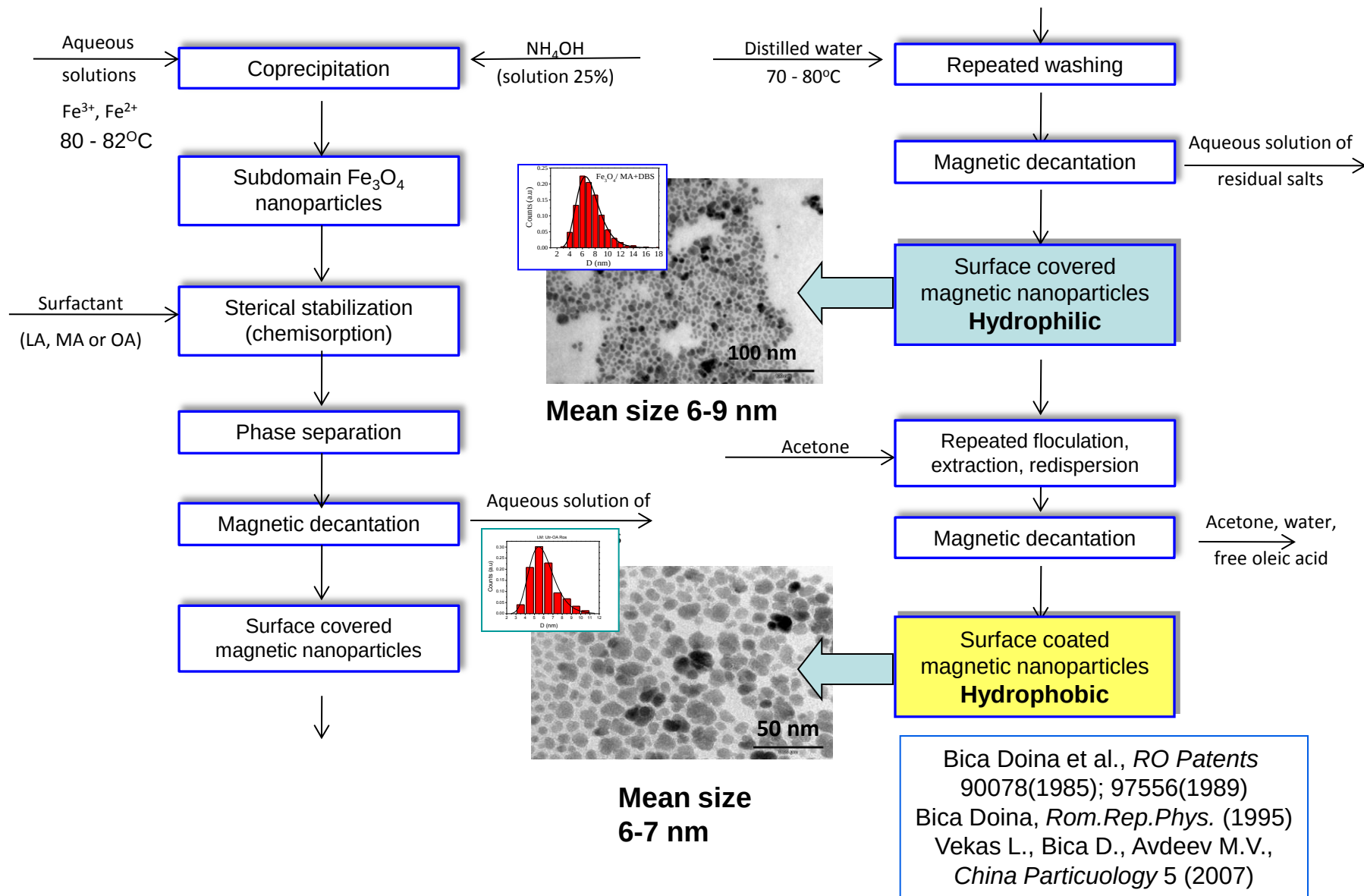
Magnetite NP with *hydrophobic* coating (e.g. $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4\cdot\text{OA}$)

Magnetite NP with *hydrophilic* coating (e.g. $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4\cdot(\text{OA}+\text{OA})$)

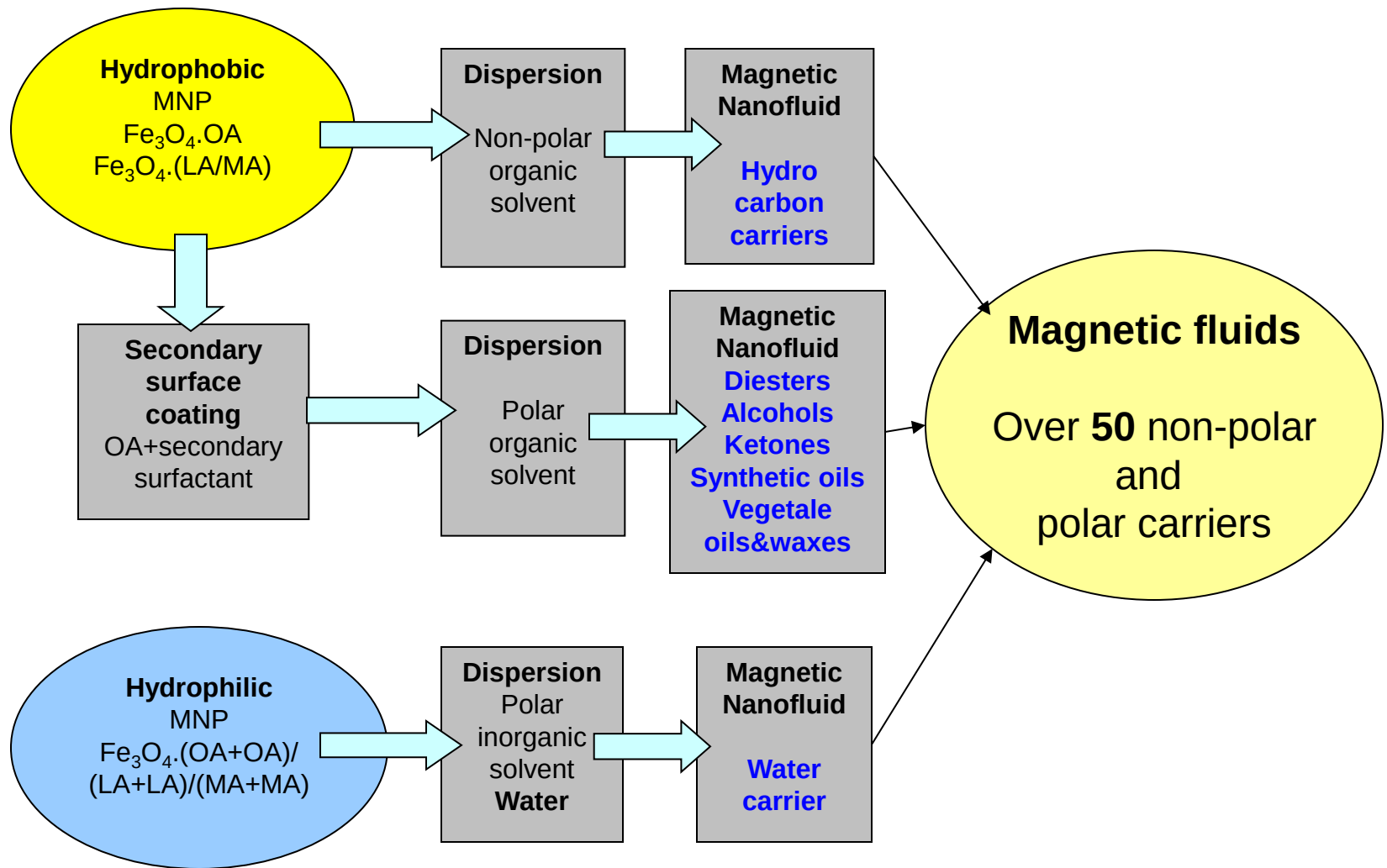
Synthesis of magnetic nanoparticles

Chemical co-precipitation

Surface coated hydrophilic / hydrophobic MNPs

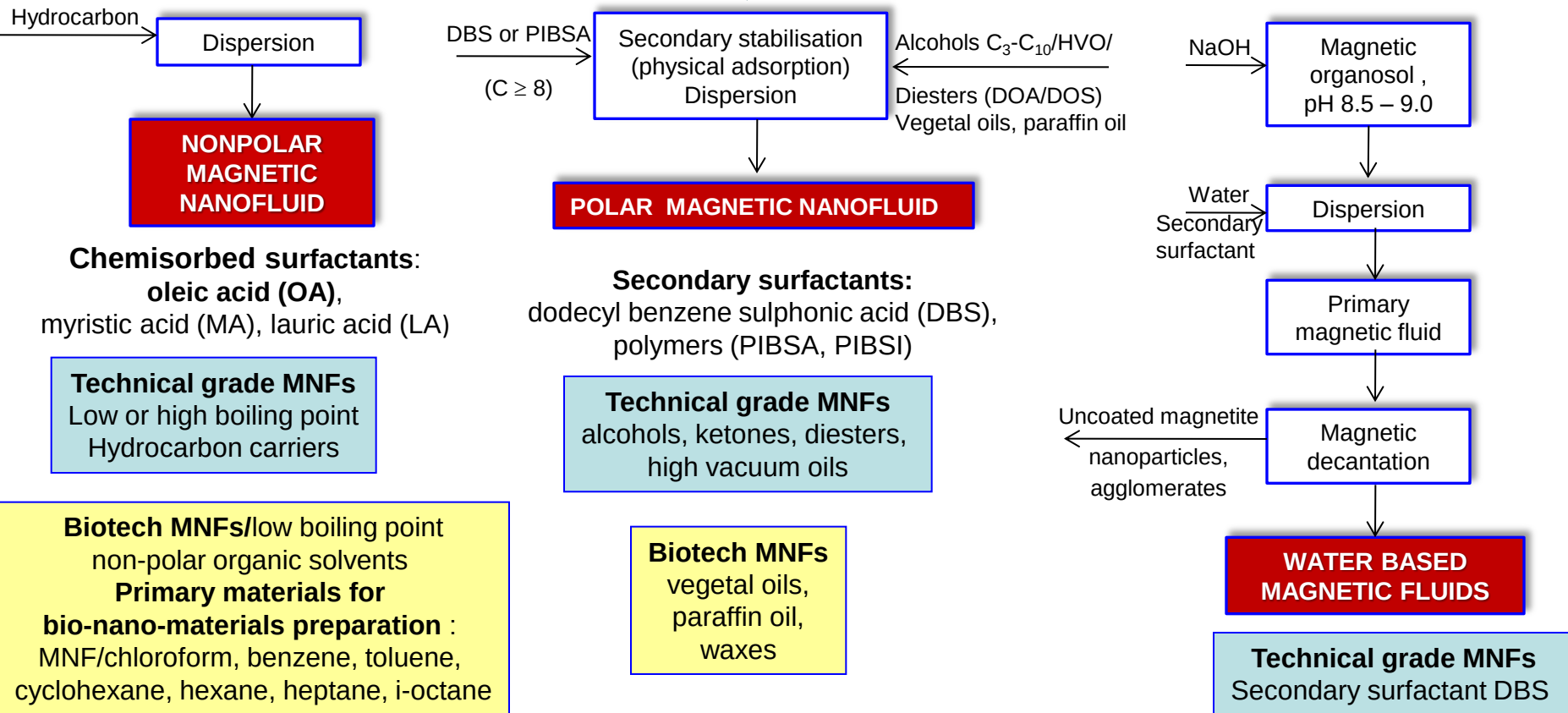


Dispersion of surfacted MNPs in various carriers



Synthesis of magnetic nanofluids

Monolayer coated magnetic nanoparticles



Doina Bica et al., Romanian Patents: 90078 (1985); 93107 (1987); 97224 (1989); 97559 (1989); 107547 B1(1989); 107548 B1(1989); 105048 (1992); 105049 (1992); 115533 B1(2000); 122725 (2009)

Doina Bica, Rom.Rep.Phys.(1995); E. Tombácz, Doina Bica et al., JoPhys Condensed Matter(2008); L.Vékás, Doina Bica, M.V. Avdeev, *China Particuology* 5 (2007) (review); L.Vékás, M.V. Avdeev, Doina Bica, chap 25 in: D. Shi (Ed) NanoScience in Biomedicine (Springer, 2009)

BioMed MNFs
Surfactants
LA. MA, OA, CA,
PAA, PLA, NaOA

Application orientated evaluation of magnetic nanofluids and suspensions

- **Size distribution** of magnetic nanoparticles: TEM, HRTEM
- **Mechanism of stabilization** and “chemical” size selection of dispersed magnetic particles
- Composition and magnetic field dependent **structural processes**, sterical stabilization and **long-term colloidal stability**: SANS, SANS POL ($B = 0-2.5$ T); DLS
- **Dilution stability** and phase transition phenomena: magneto-optical investigations, DLS, SLS
- **Magnetic properties** vs. concentration: VSM measurements
- **Flow properties** under the influence of applied magnetic field: MR investigations

Evaluation and selection of MNP/MFs for various applications

MNF for rotating seals, bearings, sensors, dampers

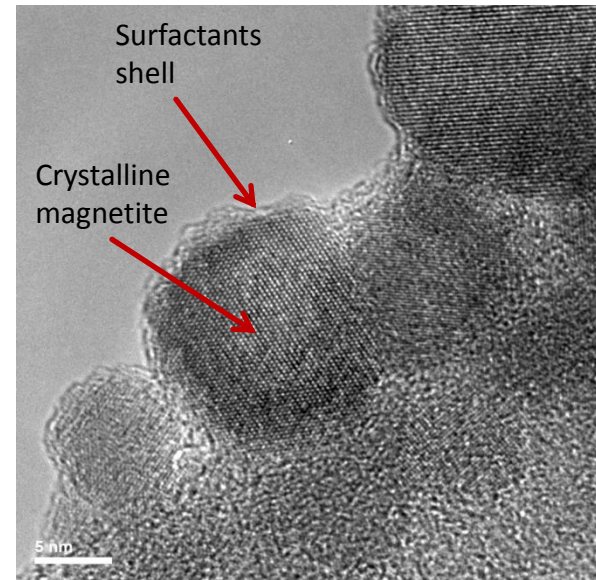
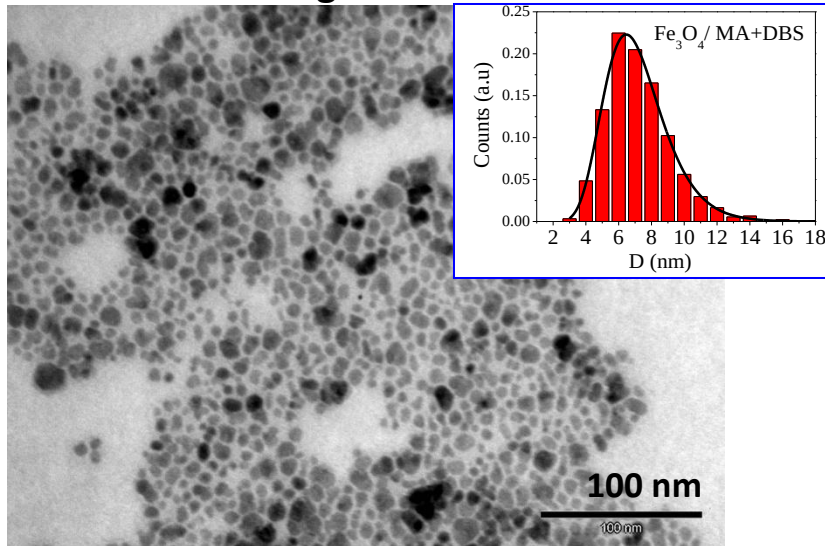
- high magnetization
- organic carrier liquids
- excellent stability in intense and strongly non-uniform magnetic fields

MNP and MNF for Biotechnologies & medical applications

- biocompatible surface coating/functionalization
- water and organic carrier liquids
- excellent stability in biologically relevant media

Particle size distributions-physical size-TEM

Water based magnetic fluid

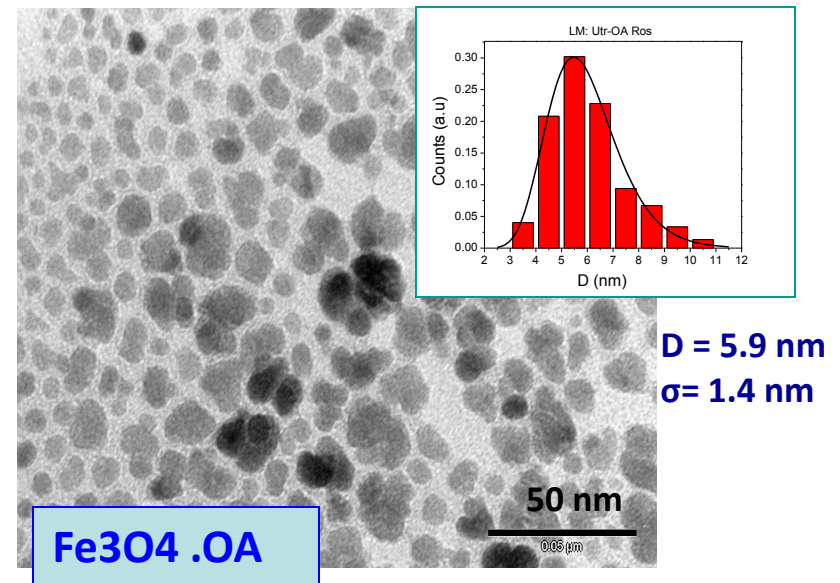


- ◆ Log-normal size distribution of particles;
- ◆ Size selective stabilization / dispersion of magnetic nanoparticles.

Sample	Mean diameter (nm)	Standard deviation (nm)
MF/MA+MA	4.3 ± 0.08	1.3 ± 0.07
MF/LA+LA	6.1 ± 0.15	2.4 ± 0.13
MF/MA+DBS	5.8 ± 0.03	1.1 ± 0.02
MF/LA+DBS	6.6 ± 0.12	1.7 ± 0.13
MF/DBS+DBS	8.0 ± 0.16	2.2 ± 0.14

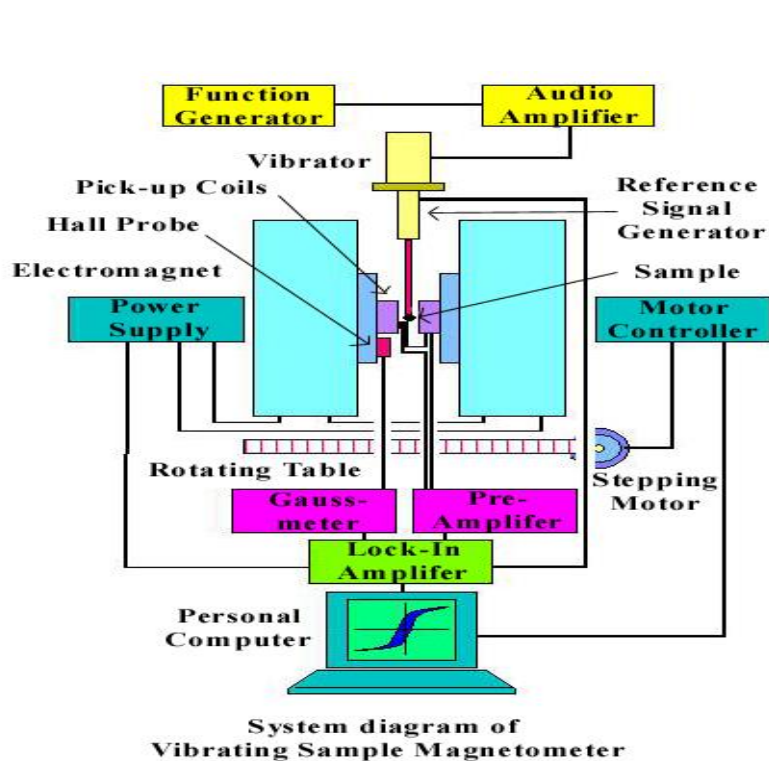
Mean solid size below 10 nm

Hydrocarbon based magnetic fluid-micropilot scale



Magnetic size

Vibrating sample magnetometer-VSM

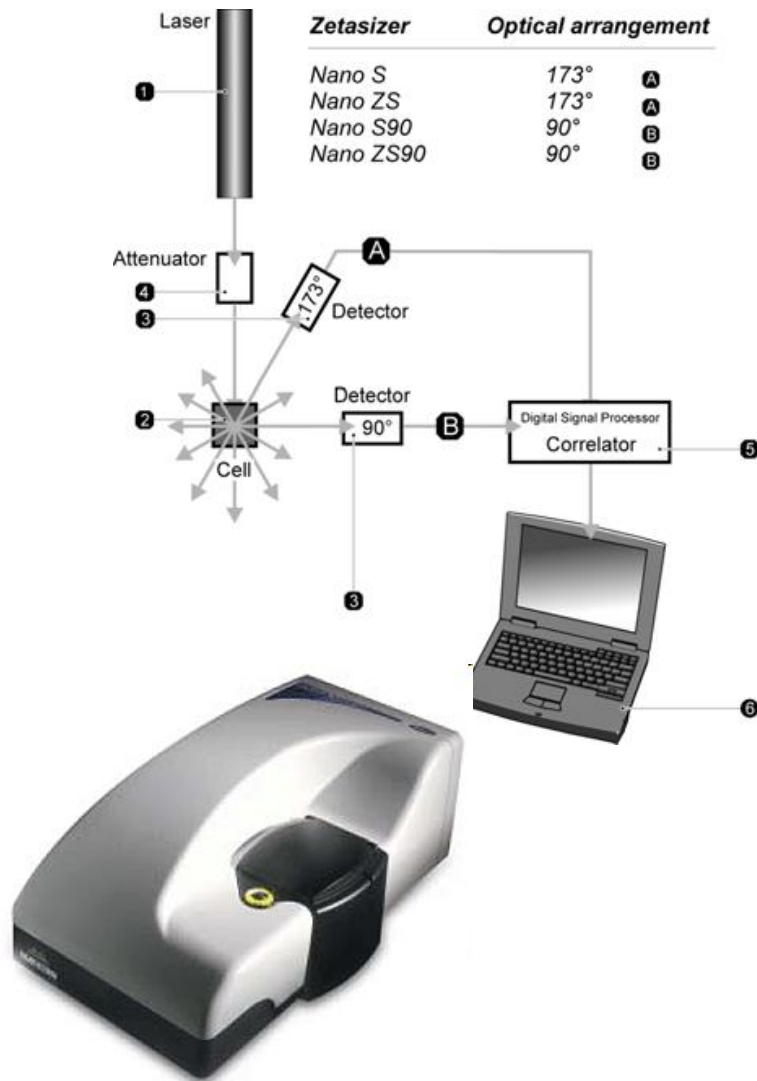


Full magnetization curves, magnetostatic properties, magnetogranulometry- "magnetic size" distributions

Hydrodynamic size

Dynamical Light Scattering (DLS) investigations

Nano Zetasizer-Malvern



Principle of DLS

Particles in suspension undergo Brownian motion. This is the motion induced by the bombardment by solvent molecules that themselves are moving due to their thermal energy.

If the particles are illuminated with a laser, **the intensity of the scattered light fluctuates at a rate that is dependent upon the size of the particles** as smaller particles are “kicked” further by the solvent molecules and move more rapidly.

Analysis of these intensity fluctuations yields the velocity of the Brownian motion and hence the particle size using the **Stokes-Einstein** relationship:

$$d(H) = kT/(3\pi\eta D)$$

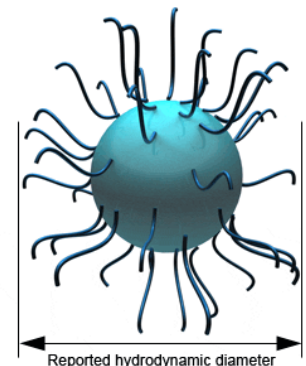
$d(H)$ = hydrodynamic diameter

D = translational diffusion coefficient

k = Boltzmann's constant

T = absolute temperature

η = viscosity



Particle interactions & structures in magnetic fluids

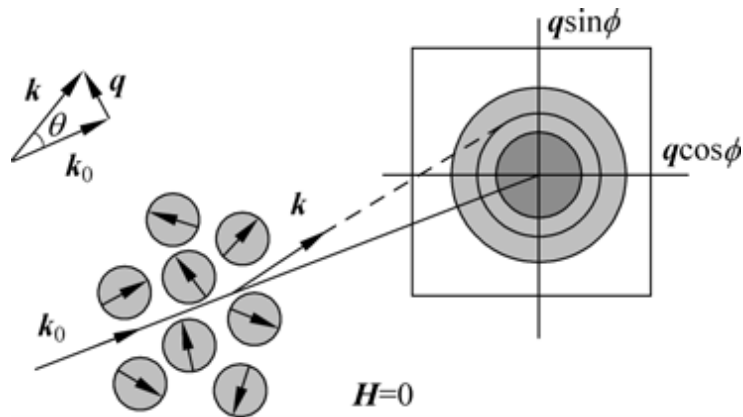
Small Angle Neutron Scattering(SANS) -*in vivo* structural investigations

Particle
structure

Particle-particle
interaction

Cluster
formation

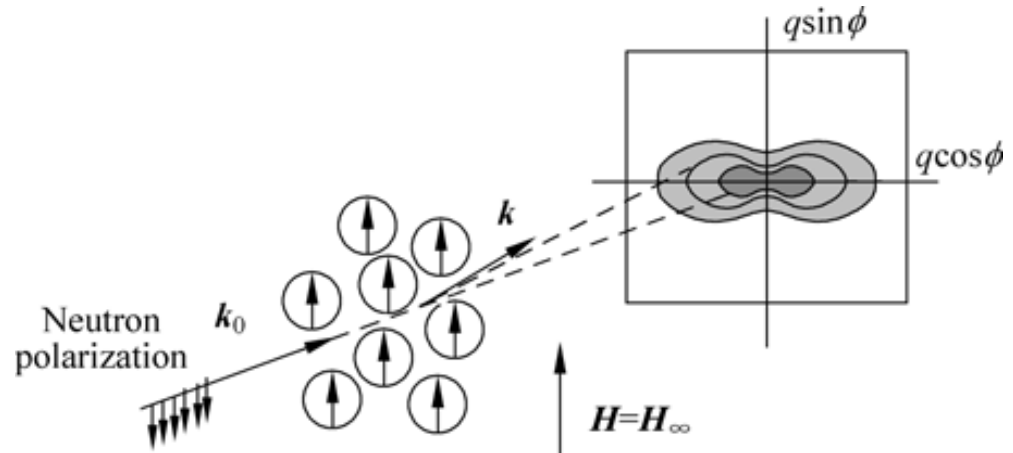
MFs in zero field ($B=0$) conditions



Schematic view of **SANS** experiment on system of magnetic nanoparticles. In case of unmagnetized system scattering pattern is isotropic over radial angle ϕ on detector plane

1-100 nm range

MFs under the influence of
applied magnetic field ($B>0$)



Schematic view of **SANS POL** experiment on system of magnetic nanoparticles. Anisotropy in the scattering pattern over radial angle ϕ is caused by magnetization of the system

GKSS Geesthacht BNC KFKI – Budapest JINR Dubna

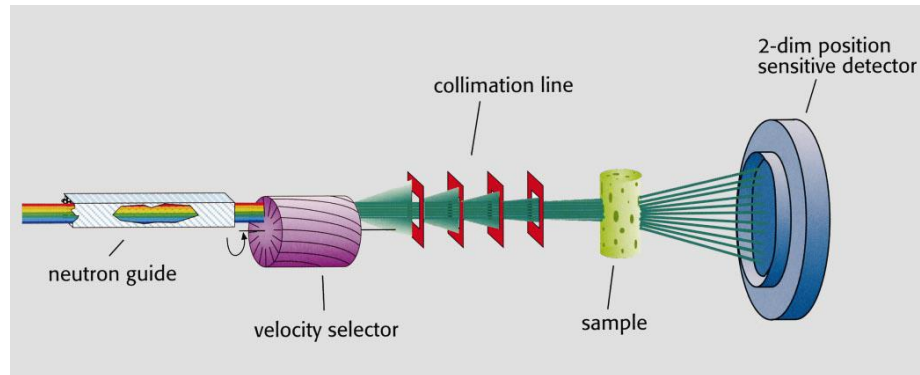
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Chapter 25 in: **NanoScience in Biomedicine** (Ed. Donglu Shi) Springer (USA) 2009

Structural investigations

Small Angle Neutron Scattering facilities used

SANS-1



GKSS Research Center, Geesthacht
SANS-1 and SANS-2

$B = 2.5\text{ T}$

Budapest Neutron Center
"Yellow Submarine"

$B = 1.7\text{ T}$

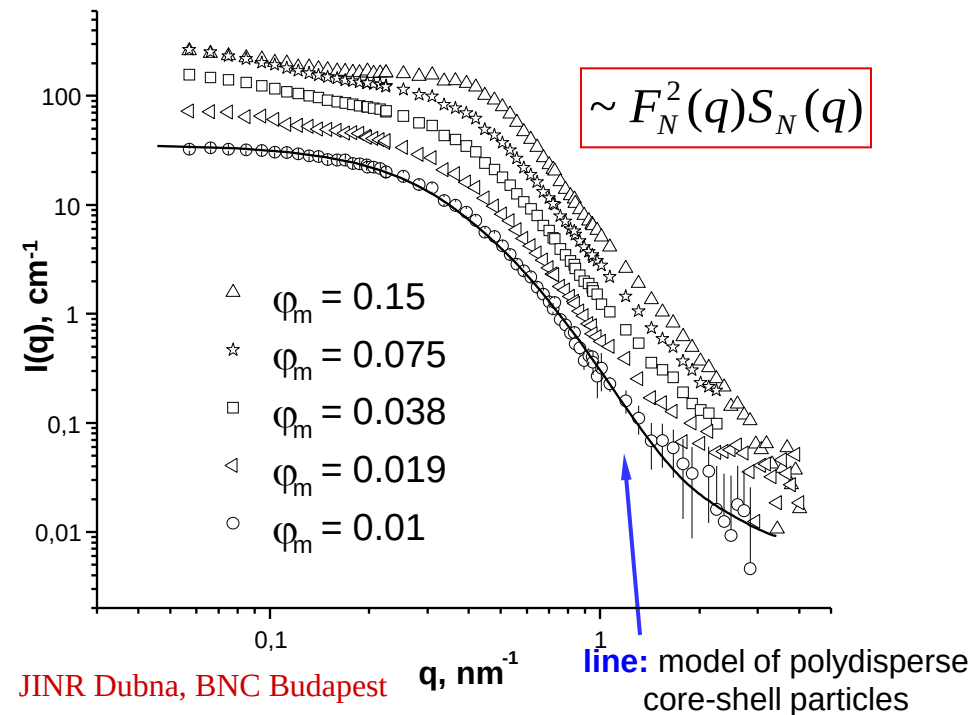
Particle interactions

Highly and weakly stable colloidal MFs

SANS investigations

Highly stable magnetic fluid

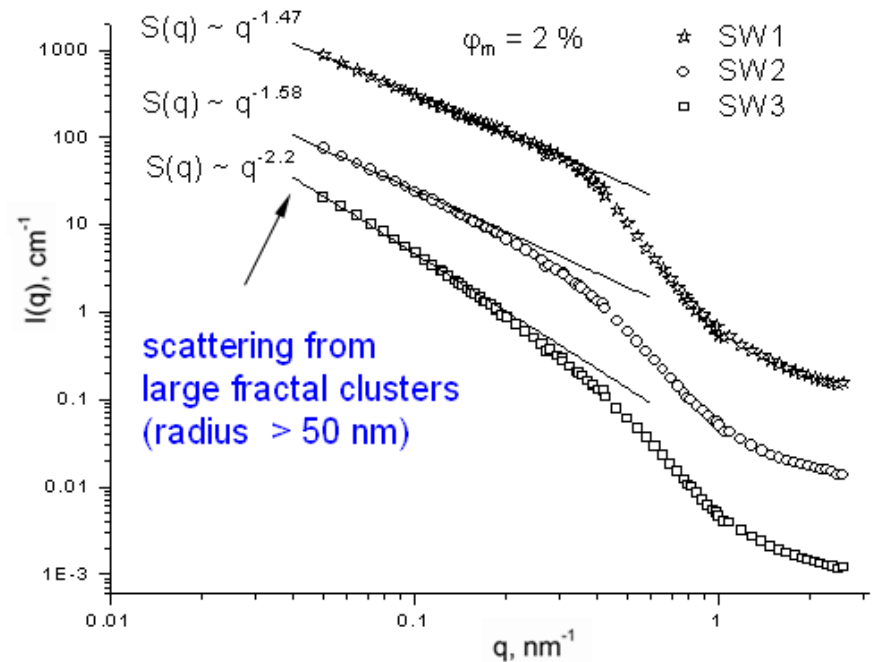
magnetite/H-benzene: oleic acid (OA)



Type of structure-factor: long-range attraction with short-range (contact) repulsion

Weakly stable magnetic fluids

magnetite/water: OA+DBS, DBS+DBS, OA+OA



Cluster fractal dimension $D \sim 1,5 - 2,5$
Mean radius of cluster units $R \sim 10 \text{ nm}$

M.V. Avdeev, V.L. Aksenov, M. Balasoiu et al. J. Coll. Interface Sci, 2006

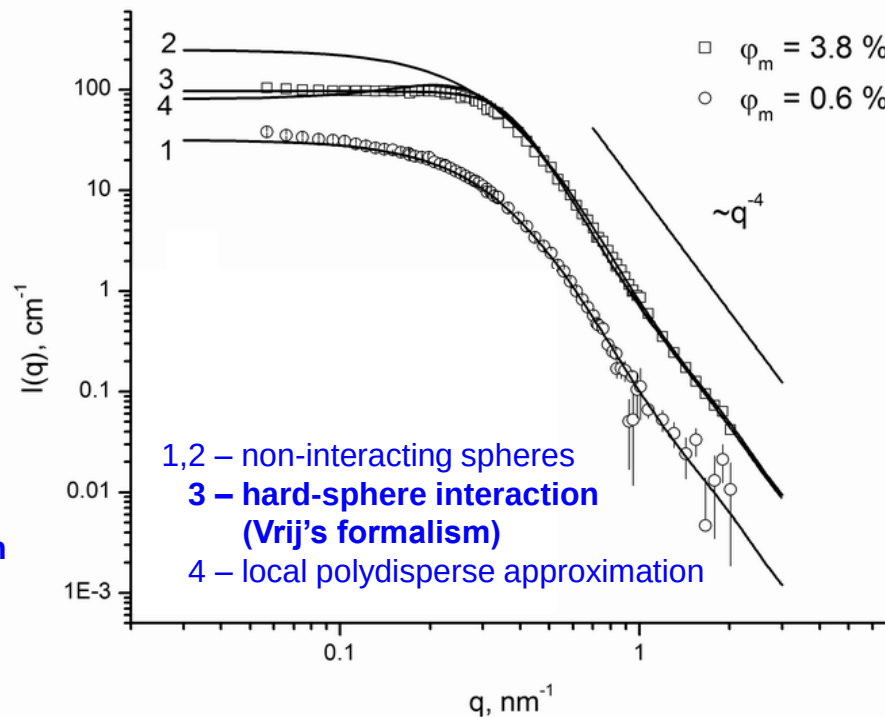
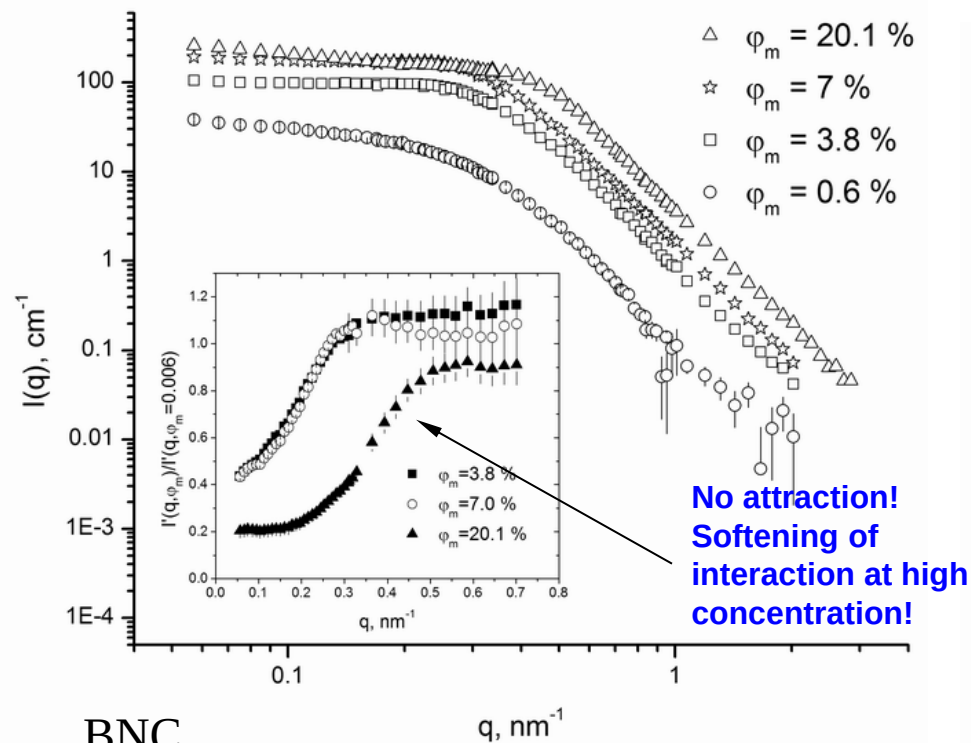
L. Vekas, M.V. Avdeev, D. Bica, Magnetic fluids: Synthesis and Structure (Donglu Shi (Ed), Springer, 2009)

Particle interactions

Highly stable polar MNF

SANS

MNF/pentanol:magnetite/OA + DBS



BNC

curve 1 (non-interacting particles) $\rightarrow R_0 = 3.4$ nm; $S = 0.38$

curve 3 (hard-spheres interaction) $\rightarrow \delta = 2.3$ nm $< 2 \times 1.8$ nm $\rightarrow$
 $\rightarrow$ significant overlap of surfactant sub-layers in the double layer

Type of structure-factor: hard spheres ($\phi_m < 5\%$) $\rightarrow$ soft spheres ($\phi_m > 5\%$)!

Structural investigations on the efficiency of different chain length surfactants

Unsaturated mono-carboxylic acid



double
bond kink

oleic acid (OA)
 $C_{18}H_{34}O_2$

Excellent stabilizer
due to high solvation

Saturated mono-carboxylic acids



stearic acid (SA)
 $C_{18}H_{36}O_2$



palmitic acid (PA)
 $C_{16}H_{32}O_2$

Non-efficient
stabilizers
because of
worse solvation



myristic acid (MA)
 $C_{14}H_{28}O_2$



lauric acid (LA)
 $C_{12}H_{24}O_2$

Good stabilizers
limited to small
particle sizes

R. Tadmor, R. E. Rosensweig, J. Frey, J. Klein, *Resolving the Puzzle of Ferrofluid Dispersants*, Langmuir 16 (2000)

M.V. Avdeev, D. Bica, L. Vekas, V.L. Aksenov, A.V. Feoktystov, L. Rosta, V.M. Garamus, R. Willumeit, *Comparative structure analysis of non-polar organic ferrofluids stabilized by saturated mono-carboxylic acids*, JColl&Int Sci 334(2009)

Particle sizes - Influence of surfactant chain length

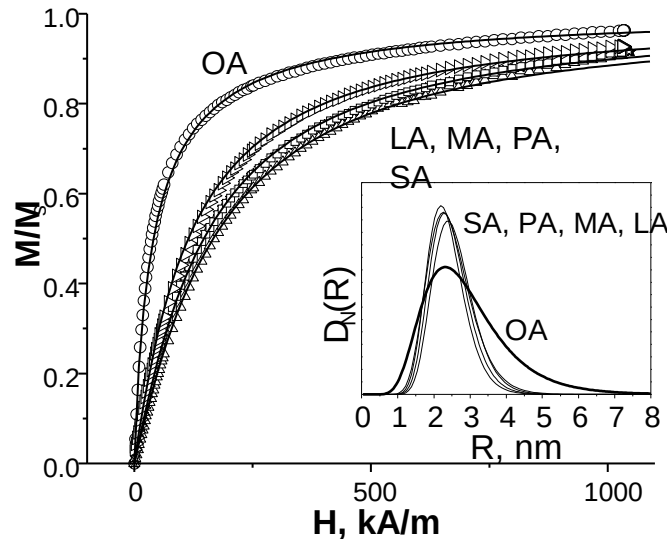
Magnetite NPs stabilized in **organic non-polar carrier**

DHN-decahydronaphtalene

SANS and VSM analyses

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GKSS Geesthacht
BNC Budapest



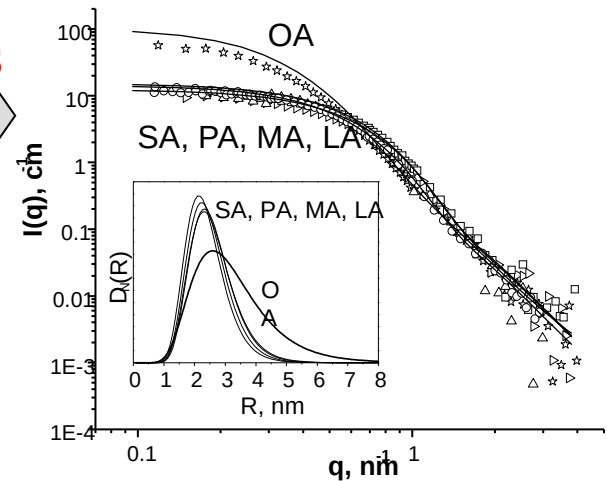
OA
 $R_0 = 3 \text{ nm}, S = 0.38$

LA, MA, PA, SA
 $\langle R_0 \rangle = 2.4 \text{ nm}, \langle S \rangle = 0.28$

OA
 $R_0 = 2.7 \text{ nm}, S = 0.39$

LA, MA, PA, SA
 $\langle R_0 \rangle = 2.4 \text{ nm}, \langle S \rangle = 0.27$

SANS



Magnetization curves (points) for ferrofluids/ DHN, $\varphi_m = 1.5 \%$.

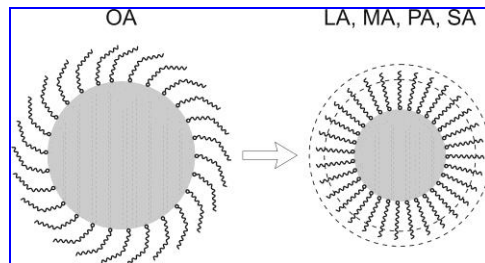
Lines are the results of the polydisperse Langevin approximation.

Inset : particle size distributions of magnetite (**magnetic size**)

SANS curves (points) FFs in DHN normalized to $\varphi_m = 1.5 \%$.

Lines : results of approximation by the model of polydisperse independent spheres

Inset : particle size distributions of magnetite (**atomic size**)



- Magnetic size smaller than scattering size
- Non-magnetic layer $\sim 0.8\text{-}1.0 \text{ nm}$
- Saturated surfactants “select” smaller sizes
- **Oleic acid (OA) is the most efficient stabilizer in non-polar organic carriers**
- VSM and SANS data are in excellent agreement

M.V. Avdeev, D. Bica, L. Vekas,
V.L. Aksenov, A.V. Feoktystov,
L. Rosta, V.M. Garamus,
R. Willumeit JColl&Int Sci 2009

Surface coated magnetite NPs for biotech applications

Efficiency of biocompatible surfactant-TEM, VSM & rheological investigations

MF Samples investigated: 13, with different volume fraction of MNPs

Physical (solid) volume fraction of magnetite nanoparticles: **0.8-21%**

Carrier: hydrocarbon (transformer oil)

Surfactant: oleic acid vegetable (product of Merck)- a mixture of unsaturated and saturated carboxylic acids

Composition of fatty acids

- **Oleic acid (C18:1) 65-88%**

- Myristic acid (C14:0) ≤ 5.0 %

- Palmitic acid (C16:0) ≤ 16.0 %

- Palmitoleic acid (C16:1) ≤ 8.0 %

- Margaric acid (C17:0) ≤ 0.2 %

- Stearic acid (C18:0) ≤ 6.0 %

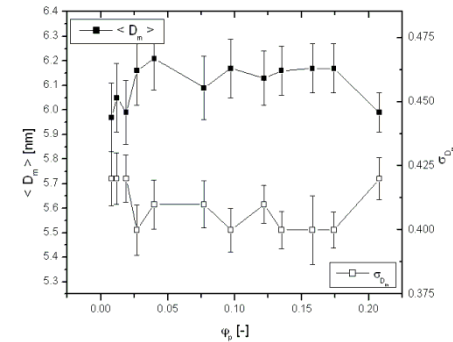
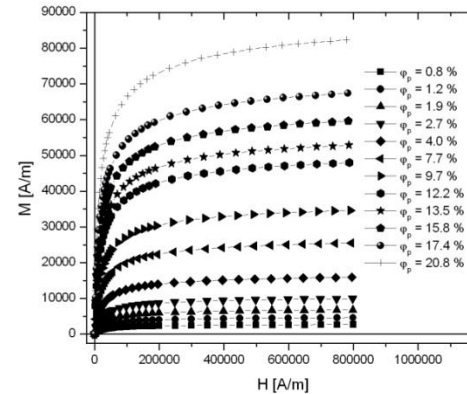
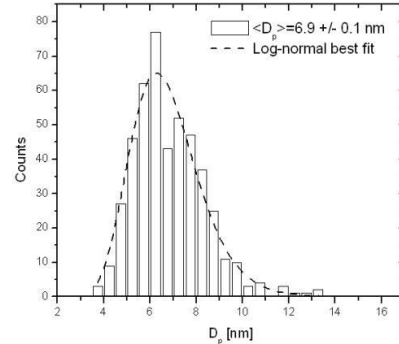
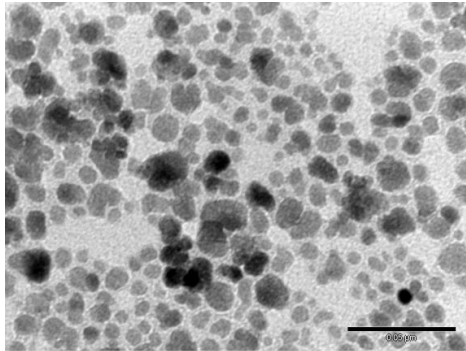
- Linoleic acid (C18:2) ≤ 18.0 %

- Linolenic acid (C18:3) ≤ 4.0 %

- Fatty acids of chain length $> C18 \leq 4.0$ %

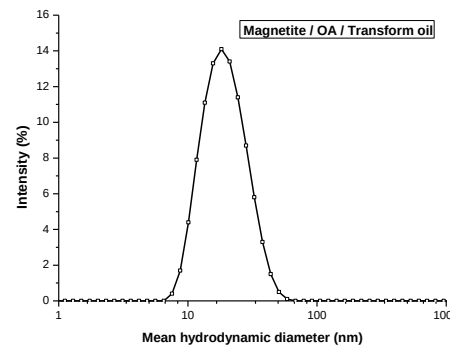
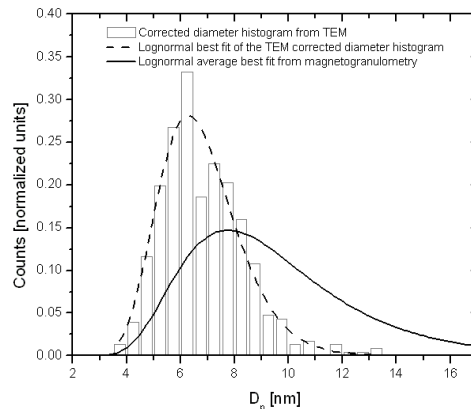
Relatively large amount of saturated carboxylic acids, besides oleic acid
How this composition influence colloidal stability? Formation of clusters?!

Size distributions of MNP



TEM picture of the magnetite nanoparticles
and the physical diameter distribution of the
magnetite nanoparticles
 $D_{p\text{TEM}} = 6.9 \text{ nm}$; $\sigma = 1.5 \text{ nm}$

$M=M(H)$ fitted with the model
Ivanov&Kuznetsova Phys Rev E (2001)
 $D_m = 6.1 \text{ nm}$; $\sigma_m = 2.6 \text{ nm}$
(practically no influence of volume fraction)



Weak clustering

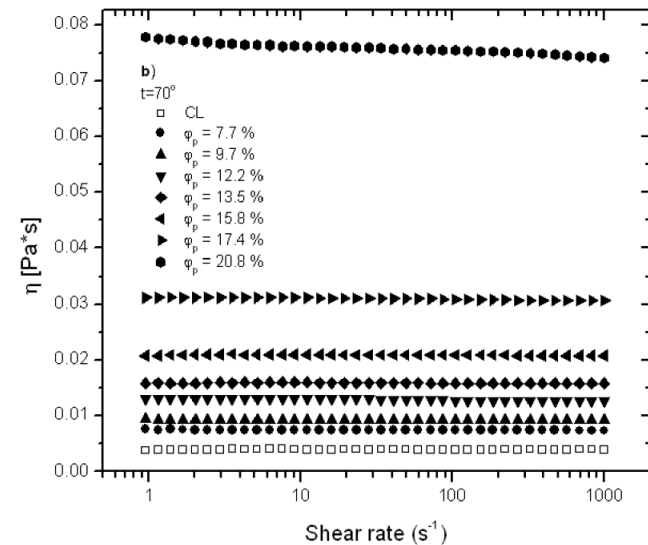
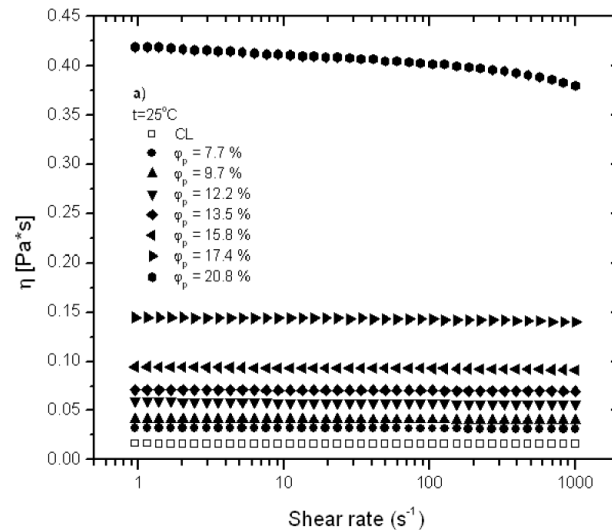
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$$D_{p\text{TEM}} - D_m = 0.8 \text{ nm} < 1.7 \text{ nm}$$

$$D_h = 18 \text{ nm} (> 11 \text{ nm})$$

Viscosity curves

Influence of the physical volume fraction φ_p

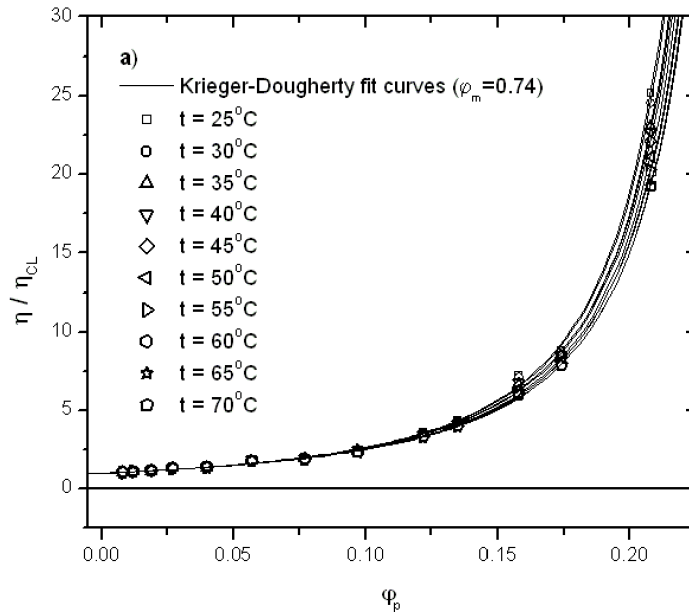


Viscosity curves of the carrier liquid (CL)
and
Magnetic nanofluid samples at
a) 25°C and b) 75°C

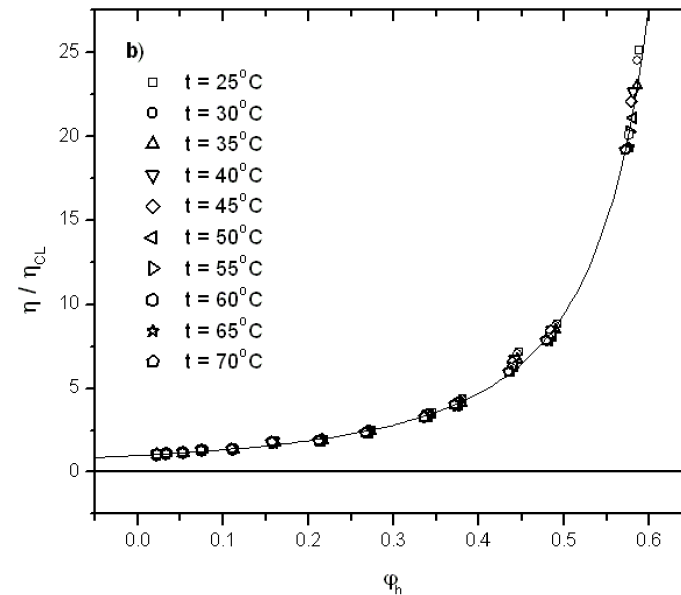
Volume fraction dependence of relative viscosity

Influence of temperature

Dependence on solid volume fraction



Dependence on hydrodynamic volume fraction



$$\frac{\eta}{\eta_{CL}}(\phi_p, \{p, [\eta]\}) = \left(1 - \frac{p \cdot \phi_p}{\phi_m}\right)^{-[\eta] \cdot \phi_m}$$

$$p = \frac{\phi_h}{\phi_p}$$

$$\phi_m = \phi_{hmax} = 0.74$$

Krieger-Dougherty formula

η and η_{CL} values extrapolated to zero shear rate

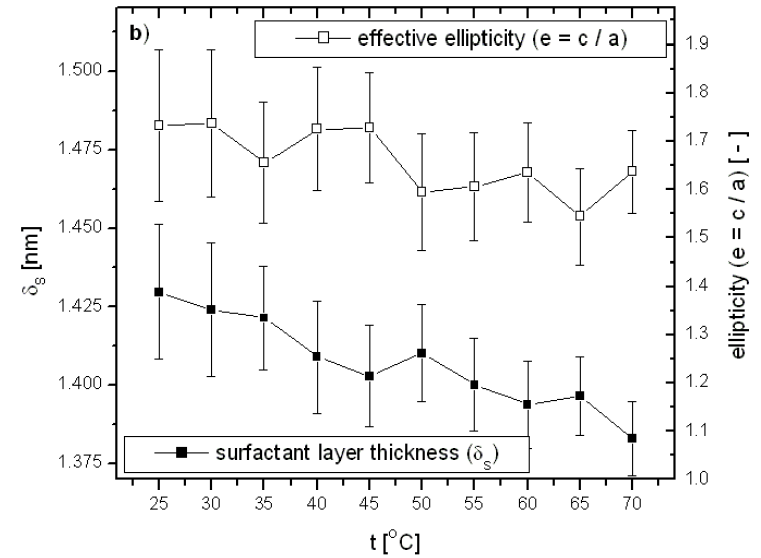
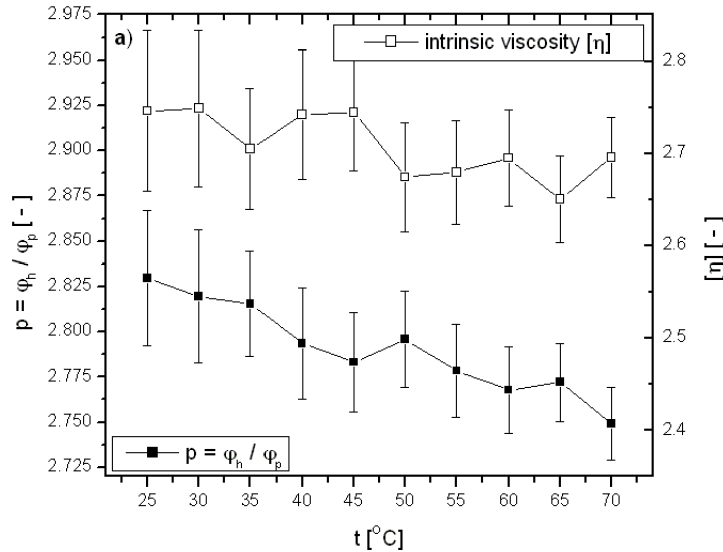
Relatively moderate increase of viscosity up to the highest hydrodynamic volume fraction 0.6
Experimental points of relative viscosity fall on a master curve for $t=25-70^\circ\text{C}$

Evaluation of characteristic sizes & particle clustering

Fit parameters of the Krieger-Dougherty equation

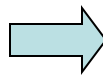
Volume fractions ratio p , intrinsic viscosity $[\eta]$

particle mean ellipticity e and mean effective surfactant layer thickness δ_s



$$p = \frac{\varphi_h}{\varphi_p} = \left(\frac{\bar{D}_p + \delta_s}{\bar{D}_p} \right)^3$$

$D_p = 6.9 \text{ nm}$

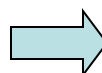


Surfactant layer thickness $\delta_s = 1.38\text{-}1.43 \text{ nm}$

SANS: $\delta_s \approx 1.4 \text{ nm}$; Avdeev et al. JCIS 2009

$[\eta] \approx 2.8 \Rightarrow e \approx 1.65$

$e(\text{TEM}) \approx 1.3$

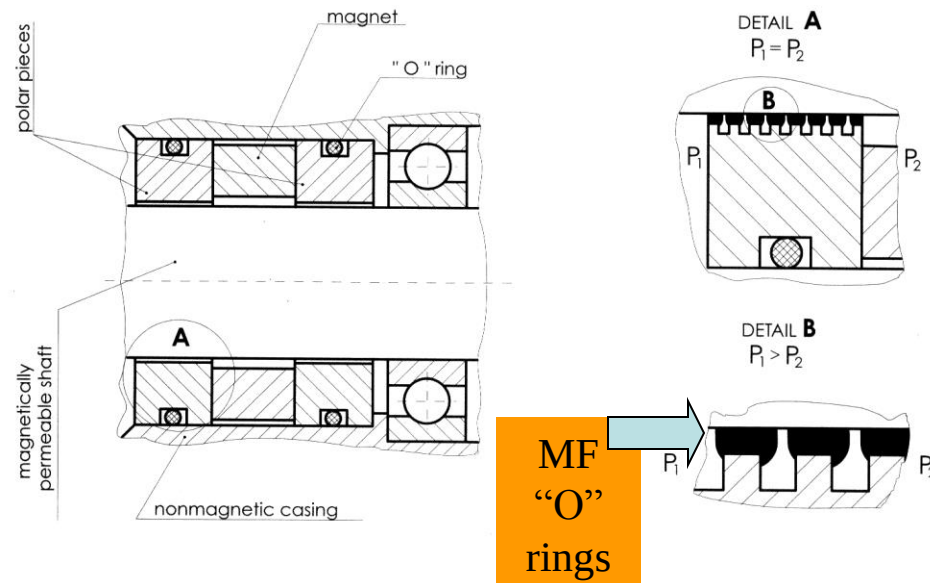


1.3 part/cluster

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Why high magnetization MFs?

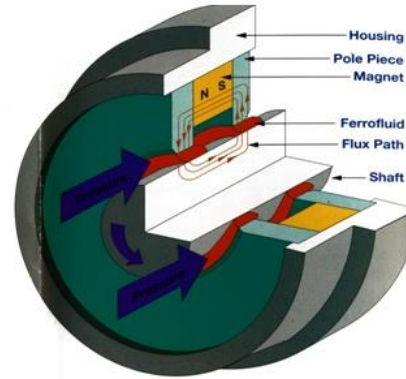
Magnetofluidic rotating seals



Main requirements for sealing MFs

➤ Magnetization: high / very high

- Viscosity: as low as possible
- Magnetoviscous effect: reduced, below 50%
- Evaporation rate: low/very low



Sealed medium: gas
Friction: only viscous
No leakage
No wear
Years long operating life

Sealing capacity $\sim M_s$

$$\Delta p = n M_s (B_{\max} - B_{\min})$$

10^{-8} mbar – 50 bars

Long-term colloidal stability in strong non-uniform magnetic field

$$B_{\max} \sim 1-1.5 \text{ T}$$

$$I_{\text{grad H}} \sim 10^9 \text{ A/m}^2$$

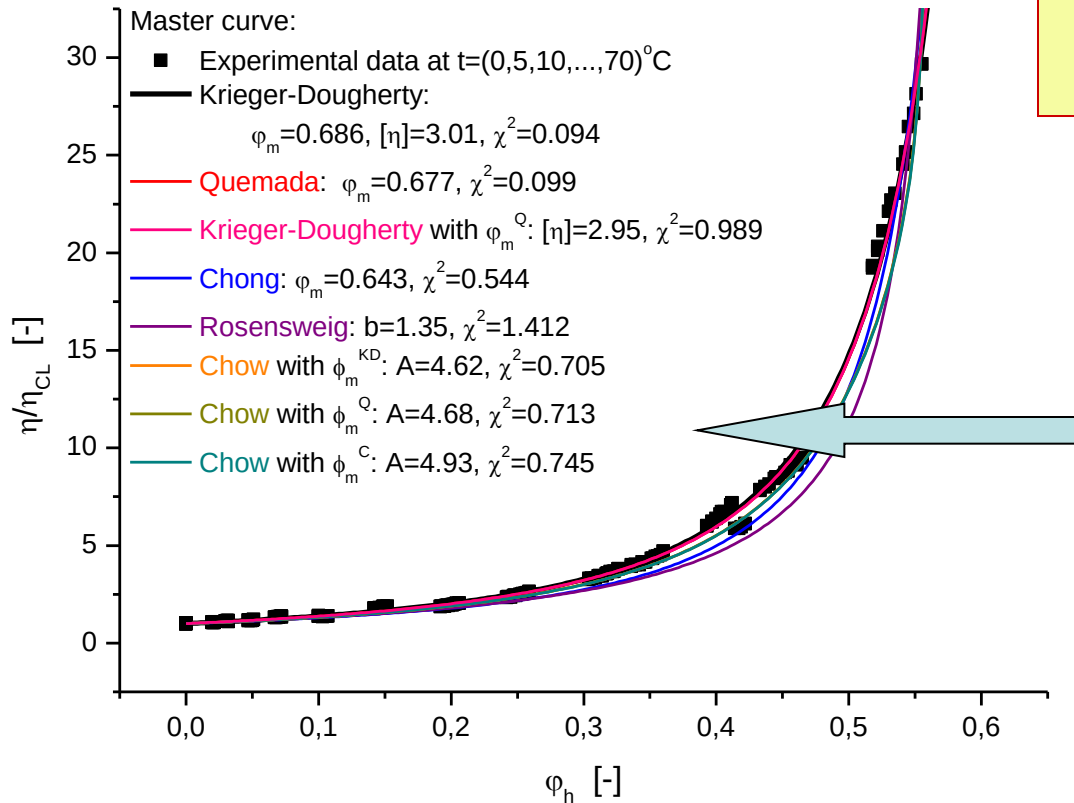
High magnetization MNF for seals/ non-polar organic (OA)

Testing of performances: Volume fraction dependence of effective viscosity

Non-dimensional dynamical viscosity vs. hydrodynamic volume fraction: 0 - 0.65

Saturation magnetization: $M_s=0$ - **1000 G**; Temperature range $t = 0 - 70$ °C

$M_s = 1000$ G – a reasonable upper limit for magnetite magnetic nanofluids



Irreversible particle
agglomerates
Practically absent

$$\frac{\eta}{\eta_o} = \exp\left(\frac{2.5\phi_h}{1-\phi_h}\right) + \frac{A\phi_h^2}{1-A\phi_h^2\phi_{hm}}$$

Particle interaction
Parameter A

$$A_{\text{theor}} = 4.67$$
$$A_{\text{fit}} \approx 4.70$$

**Long-term
high colloidal
stability**

Daniela Gheorghe (Resiga), PhD thesis, 2001
Resiga D., Vékás L., Bica D., Chiriac A.,
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Magnetorheological(MR) Fluids-commercial products

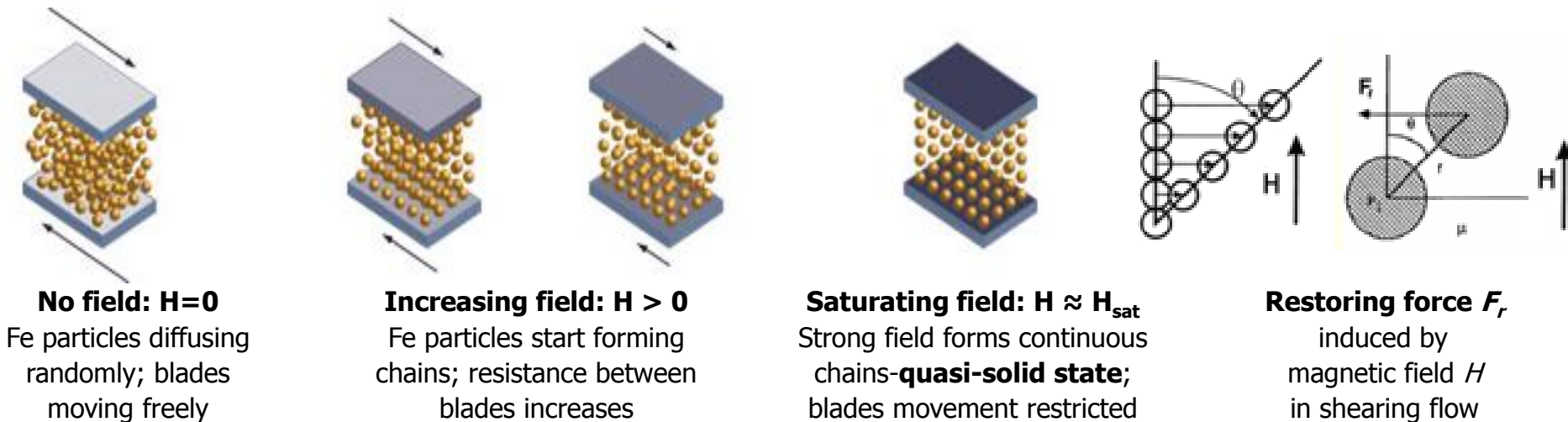
Composition & intense field induced structuring: **large elongated clusters!**

Magnetic particles: magnetically soft **multi-domain** Fe, Fe alloys of **1-10 μm**

Carrier liquids: petroleum based oils, silicon oils, mineral oils, synthetic oils, water

Suspension agents: thixotropic and surface active agents (e.g., carboxylic acids, stearates, polymers, organoclays) (in use thickening--**significant aging observed!**)

Characteristic time of field induced structural changes: $\sim \text{msec}$



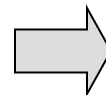
Field dependent magnetic moment of particles $m = 4\pi\mu_0 \mu_f \beta a^3 H_0$; $\beta = (\mu_p - \mu_f) / (\mu_p + 2\mu_f)$

Field dependent magnetic coupling parameter

$$\lambda_{\text{int}}^{\text{MR}} = \pi\mu_0 \mu_f \beta a^3 H_0^2 / (2kT)$$

$$\lambda_{\text{int}}^{\text{MR}} = 1 \text{ for } H_0 = 127 \text{ A/m; } 2a = 1 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\lambda_{\text{int}}^{\text{MR}} \sim 10^8 \gg 1 \text{ for usual } H \text{ values !!!}$$



Strongly non - Newtonian behavior

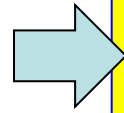
High yield stress: 50-100 kPa

Large MR effect: $10^2 - 10^3$ times increase of effective viscosity

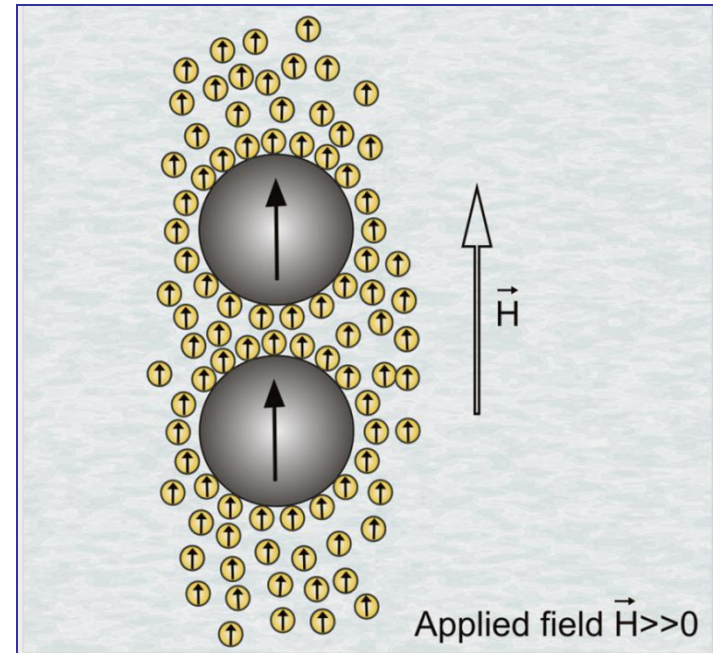
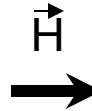
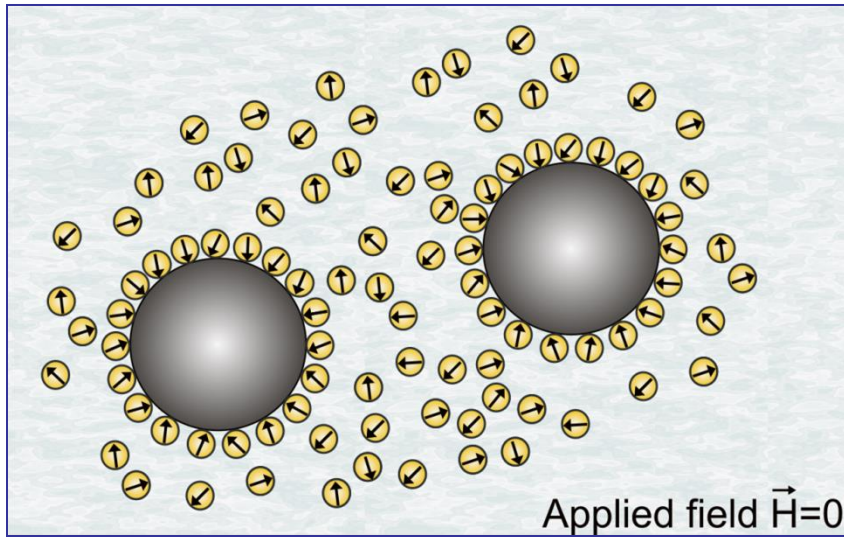
Sedimentation and aging problems

Nano-micro composite magnetic fluids

Field controlled
clusterization
of micron and
nanosized particles



Micrometer size Fe particles dispersed in high
concentration magnetic nanofluids-**D fluids**
No special additives dissolved in the carrier



The magnetic nanoparticles – *tiny permanent magnets* – cover the surface of the micrometer size Fe particles and impede their direct surface-to-surface contact => **negligible aging, increased sedimentation stability&redispersability and very high magnetization**

Excellent sealing and magnetorheological fluids

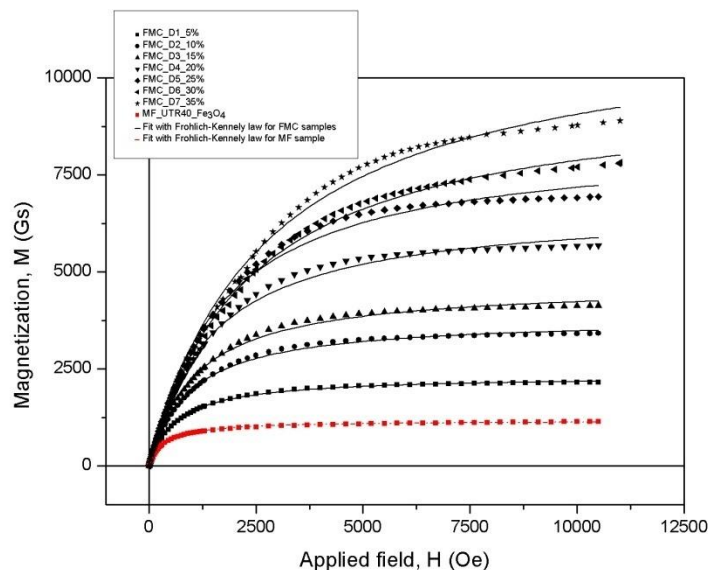
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Nano-micro composite magnetic fluids-D fluids

Influence of micrometric Fe content

Magnetization curves for **D fluids**; $\Phi_{\text{total}} \approx 0.27\text{-}0.57$; $\Phi_{\text{micro}} \approx 0.05\text{-}0.35$; $\Phi_{\text{nano}} \approx 0.22$ (const)

The Langevin-type magnetic behavior is no more valid !



$$M = \frac{M_s \cdot H}{\frac{M_s}{\chi_{\text{init}}} + H}$$

Frölich-Kennelly formula

Nr.cr t.	Sample	Fe ₃ O ₄ volume fraction (%)	Iron volume fraction (%)	χ_{init}	M_s (Gs)
1.	FMC_D1_5%	22	5	3.53±0.02	2317± 3
2.	FMC_D2_10%	22	10	4.07±0.05	3803± 14
3.	FMC_D3_15%	22	15	4.34±0.06	4688± 22
4.	FMC_D4_20%	22	20	4.69±0.09	6681± 46
5.	FMC_D5_25%	22	25	4.93±0.10	8407± 72
6.	FMC_D6_30%	22	30	4.14±0.05	9727± 54
7.	FMC_D7_35%	22	35	4.23±0.06	11540± 95
8.	MF_UTR40_Fe₃O₄	22	0	3.18±0.02	1166± 2

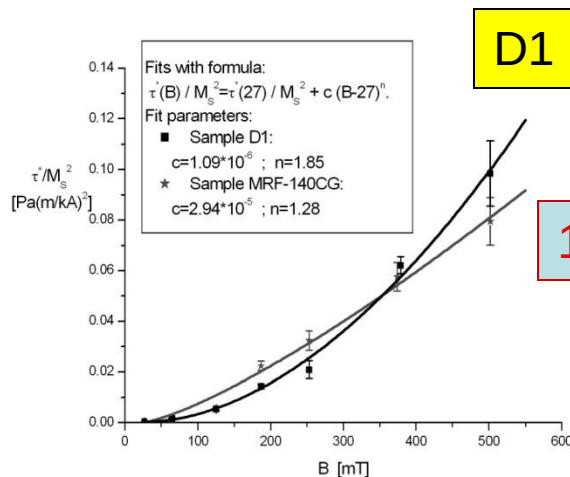
An order of magnitude increase of the saturation magnetization!

Nano-micro magnetizable fluids vs. commercial MR fluids

Effect of nanosized magnetic particles on MR effect

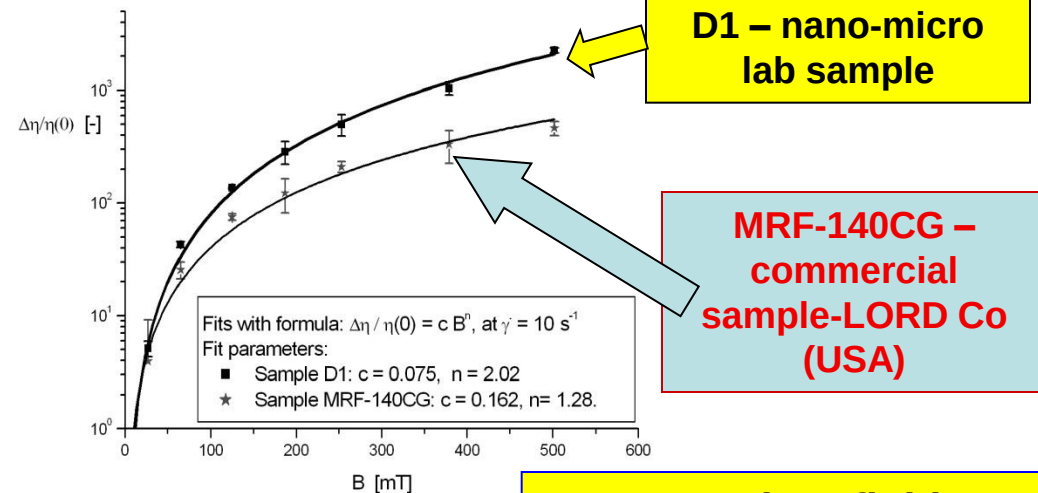
D1 sample : $\Phi_{\text{micro}} \approx 0.2$; $\Phi_{\text{nano}} \approx 0.2$; $\Phi_{\text{total}} \approx 0.4$
 140 CG(LORD sample): $\Phi_{\text{micro}} \approx 0.4$

$$[\eta(B) - \eta(0)] / \eta(0) = f(B)$$



Apparent yield stress normalized by the square of saturation magnetization versus magnetic flux density

Shear rate 10 s^{-1}

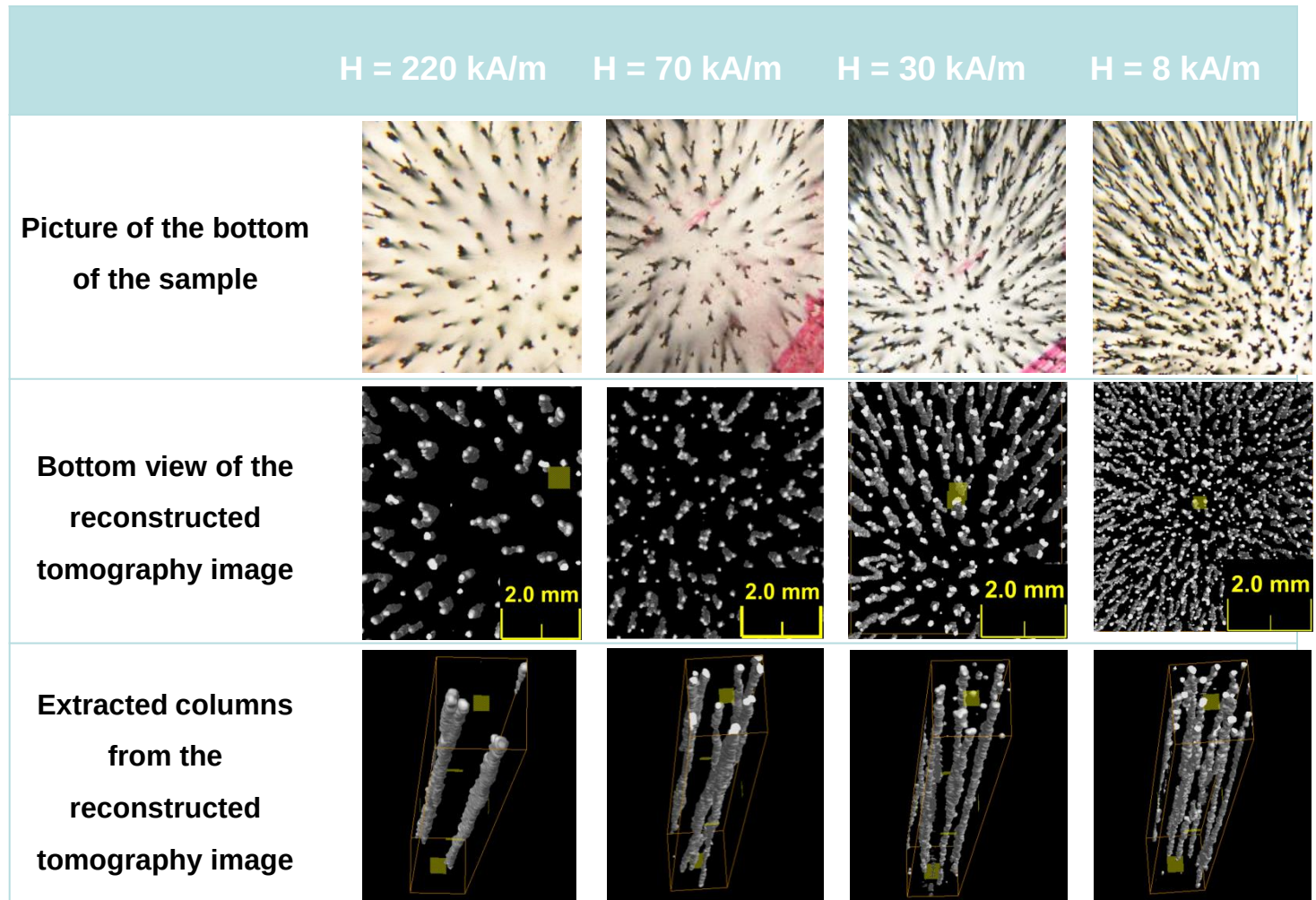


Relative increase of viscosity versus magnetic flux density

D1 nano-micro fluid
Reduced sedimentation
Higher MR effect
No long chain polymer additives
No thickening in use
Relatively high costs

Magnetic Elastomers

“MR fluids” - no sedimentation!



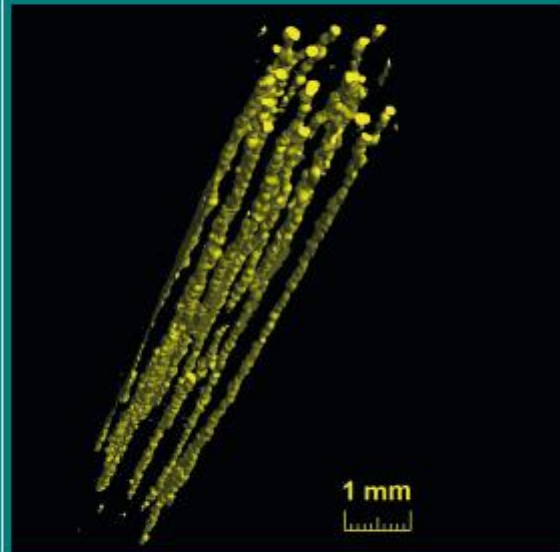
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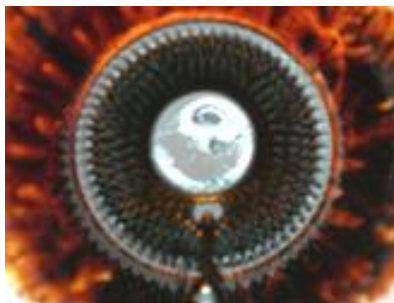
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Micro-pilot scale synthesis of magnetic fluids

Procedures developed by Doina Bica†- Romanian Academy-Timisoara Branch

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High Magnetization Sealing and MR Fluids

MF rotating seals manufacturing

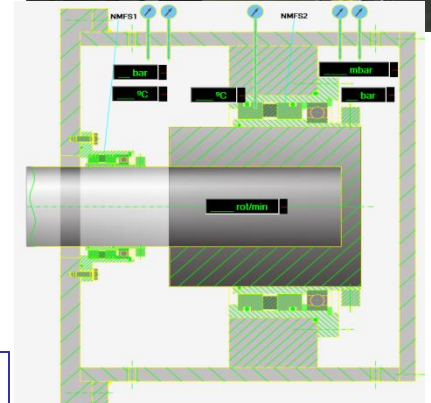
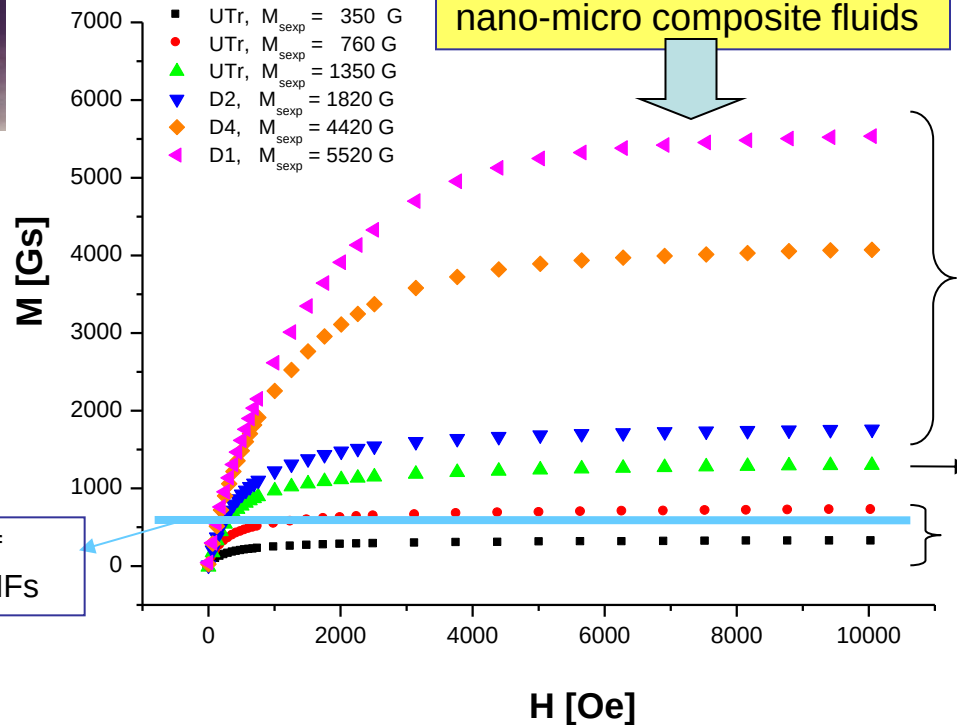


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Saturation magnetization of MNFs and nano-micro composite fluids

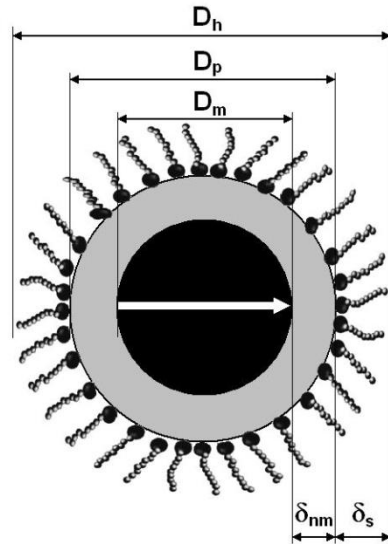
Very high magnetization
nano-micro composite fluids



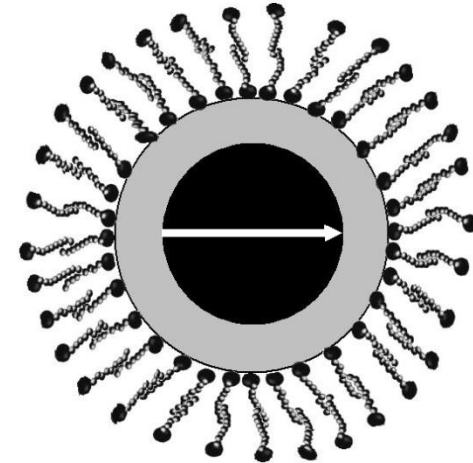
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Magnetic nanoparticles, magnetic nanofluids and magnetic nanocomposites for biomedical applications

Hydrophobic and hydrophilic magnetite nanoparticles for fabrication of functionalized magnetic nanocomposites



D_m – magnetic diameter
 D_p – physical diameter
 D_h – hydrodynamic diameter
 δ_m – thickness of the nonmagnetic layer
 δ_s – thickness of the surfactant layer

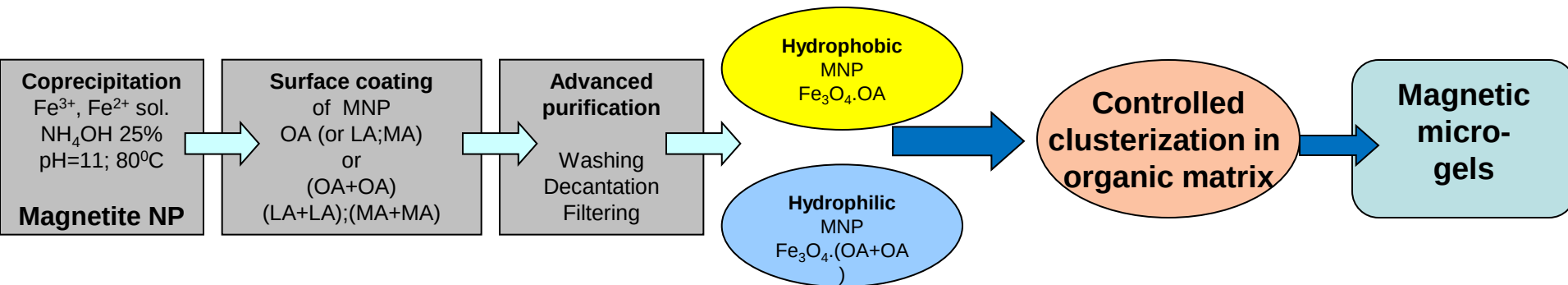


Magnetite NP with *hydrophobic* coating $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4\cdot\text{OA}$

Magnetite NP with *hydrophilic* coating $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4\cdot(\text{OA}+\text{OA})$

ROSEAL Co. supplier: <http://www.magneticmicrosphere.com/suppliers.php?category=2>

Functionalized magnetic nanocomposites for biotech & biomedical applications-flow chart



“Magnetic nanocontainers”

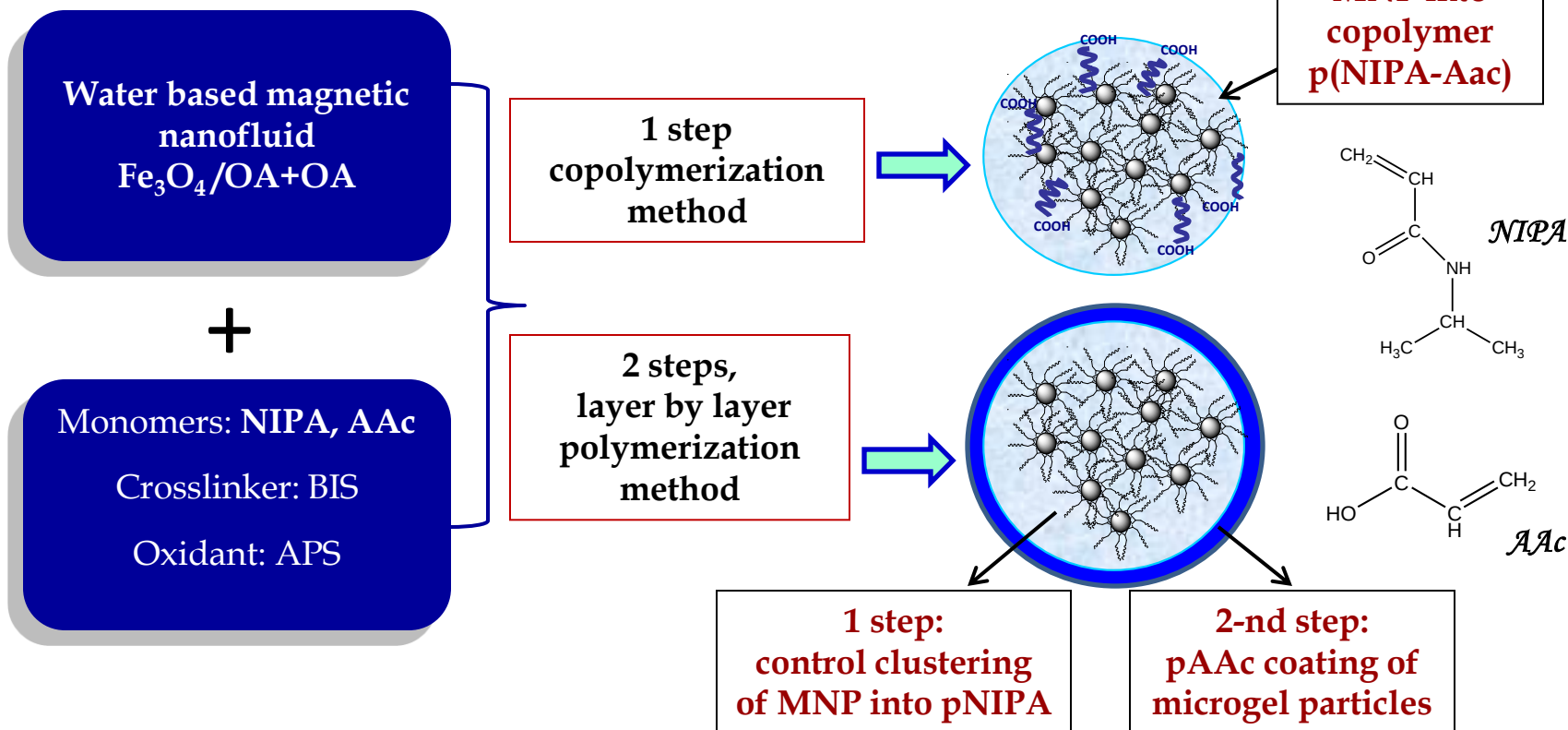
Superparamagnetic behavior, high specific magnetic moment (20-50 emu/g)



Multiresponsive CEX magnetic microgels - preparation procedure using hydrophilic magnetite -

Group of Dr. Rodica Turcu

Nat.Inst. Isotopic and Molecular Technologies
Cluj-Napoca, Romania



NIPA – N-isopropylacrylamide

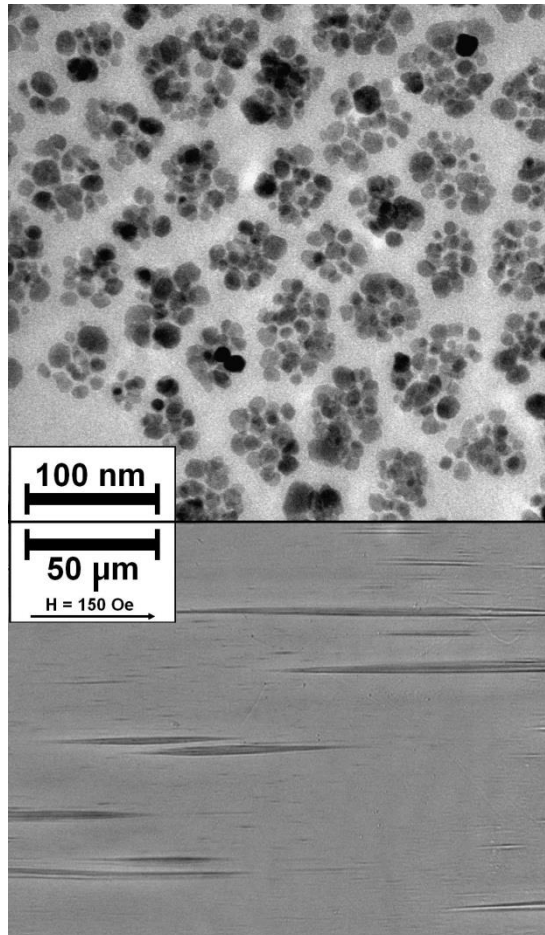
AAc – acrylic acid

BIS - N,N'-methylenebisacrylamide

APS – ammonium persulfate

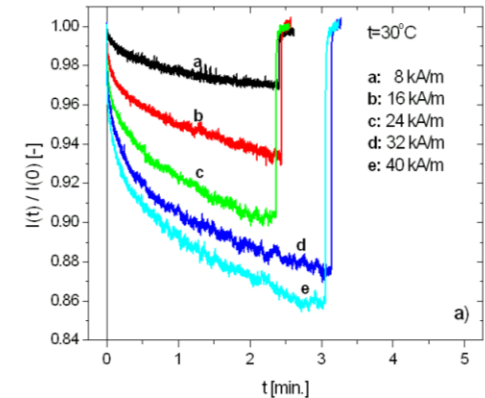
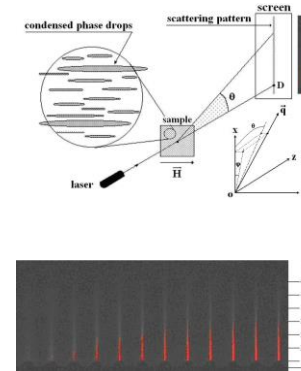
Behavior of magnetic microgels in magnetic field

Magnetic field induced phase condensation in a water based suspension of magnetic microgels

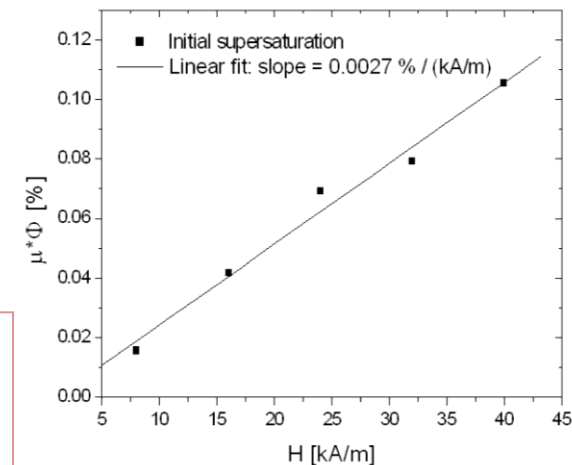


Magnetic field induced phase condensation:
the specific surface area of the colloid decreases with approx. three orders of magnitudes!
the decrease of adsorption capacity influences the separation efficiency of magnetic beads

Light scattering on the condensed phase drops-time evolution



Increase of the degree of condensation by increasing the intensity of applied field



V. Socoliuc, L. Vekas, Rodica Turcu:

*“Magnetically induced phase condensation in an aqueous dispersion of magnetic nanogels”,
Soft Matter (2013)*

Applications in biology and medicine

- MRI contrast
- Magnetic bioseparation (proteins, enzymes...)
- Magnetic drug targeting
- Magnetic hyperthermia
- Catalysis

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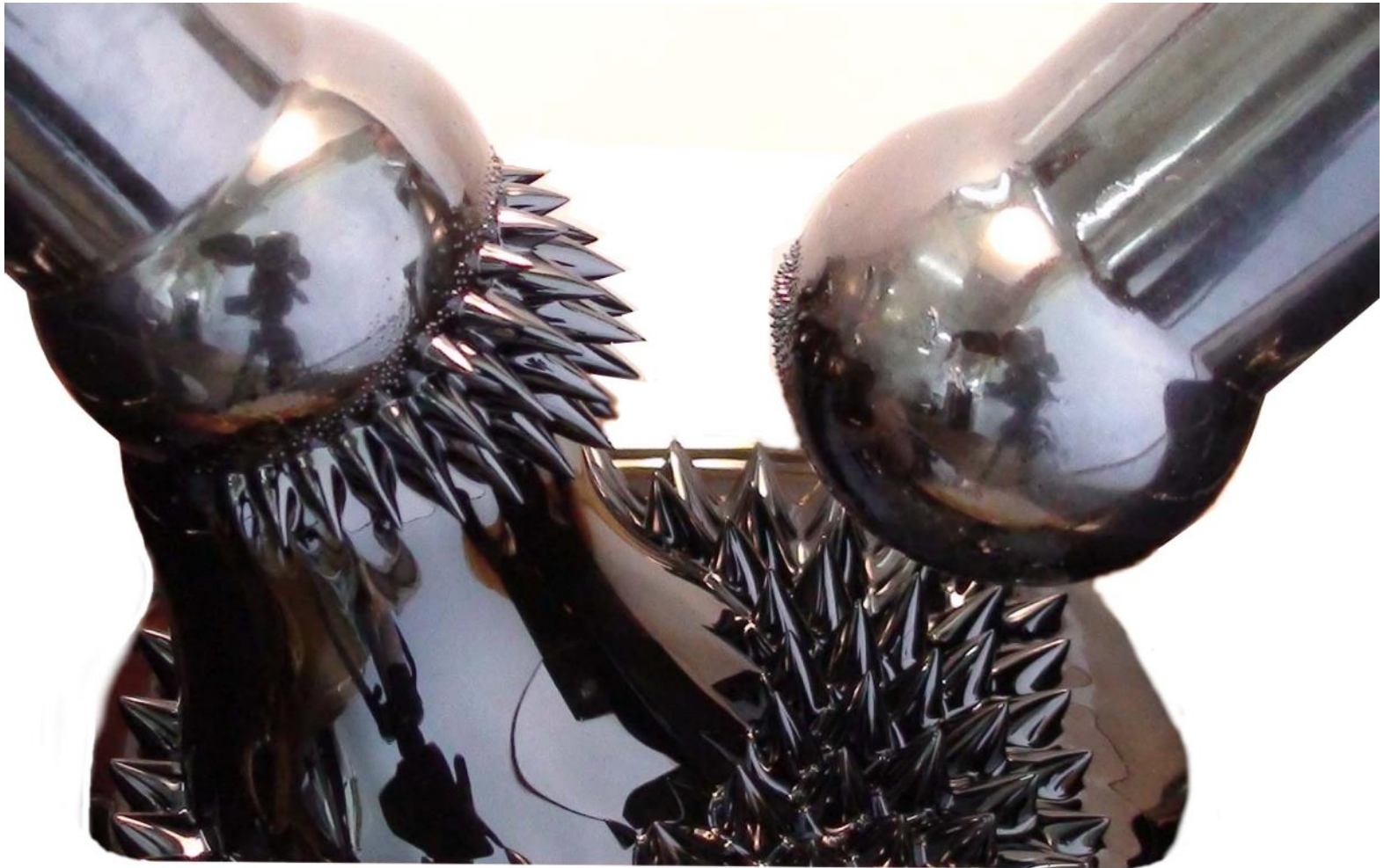
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