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Abbreviations and acronyms

ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials	
CEN	European Committee for Standardization	
CSS	Chemical Strategy for Sustainability	
DNF	Dedicated Nanotechnology Firm	
DSTI	Directorate for Science Technology and Innovation	
EUON	European Union Observatory for Nanomaterials	
FAIR	Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Re-usable	
IRGC	International Risk Governance Council	
ISO/TC	International Organization for Standardization/Technical Committee	
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation	
NM	Nanomaterials	
NRGC	Nano Risk Governance Council	
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development	
R&D	Research and development	
SMART	Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time bound	
SbD	Safe by design	
S(S)bD	Safer-and-Sustainable by Design	

1 Summary

The purpose of this task (Task 7.4) is to establish a system for monitoring progress in risk governance of nanotechnologies. In this task a system has been developed and demonstrated to achieve this purpose. The system comprises a set of 16 numerical indicators, each expressed as a ratio of the current state to some future desired state. By operating the system on a periodic basis, progress towards the desired state can be monitored.

Task 7.4 is built on and further develops the findings of Tasks 7.1 to Tasks 7.3. In Task 7.2 a monitoring and evaluation (M&E) system was developed for monitoring the performance of the risk governance field. In developing the M & E system, six areas of risk governance were identified for monitoring: Risk management and risk assessment, Risk governance, Rules and regulations, Innovation and sustainability, Research, and Stakeholders. For each of these areas relevant sub-areas were identified and aligned to topics from the International Risk Governance Council (IRGC) and user needs that had been identified under WP6.2. Sub-areas were then categorised under 6 clusters: Standardization, FAIR data and data quality, Risk governance and innovation, Funding and value of investment, Safer-and-Sustainable by Design (S(S)bD), and Communication. Clusters were evaluated for indicators and sub-indicators that could be taken forward by Task 7.3. An overview of the relationship among areas, sub-areas and clusters can be found in Annex 1.

In Task 7.3 the instruments that can be used to monitor scientific evidence and emerging needs; continuously evaluate progress in risk governance across sectors; and monitor its agility for governance initiatives were identified. This was done by defining parameters and success criteria and identifying potential instruments for monitoring and evaluating each of the indicators and sub-indicators listed under Task 7.2.

In Task 7.4 a monitoring scheme by applying pragmatic selection criteria to the 164 indicators and sub-indicators presented under Tasks 7.2 and 7.3 was developed. The final scheme comprises 16 indicators for monitoring the progress of different aspects of each of the six clusters and altogether facilitates progress monitoring of risk governance of nanomaterials.

The proposed system is described in this report and comprises:

- A description of the 16 indicators,
- Methodology for calculation of each indicator,
- Data sources to be used to calculate each indicator,
- A database in which to store the input data and calculated indicator values, and
- A design for a dashboard (web based) on which the indicator values can be visualised.

2 Description of task

Partners: Lead IOM, Partners IenW, IOM, NIA, LEITAT, EMERGE, INERIS, CNRS, KRISS, NIOH, RIVM

In keeping with the original remit of the DoW, we have developed a monitoring scheme based on the minimum data (curation) requirements and standards, the criteria/indicators and monitoring instruments identified and/or developed in Tasks 7.2 and 7.3 that are tuned to an international setting for a broad range of stakeholders in various disciplines. An additional task was to give a cost estimate for integrating the monitoring scheme within the NRGC by the end of the Gov4Nano projects. However, in the absence of a true NRGC office, this is less relevant at this time and so not discussed in this report.

3 Description of work & methodology

3.1 Background of the task

Under Task 7.2 a monitoring and evaluating (M&E) system was developed to enable the future of a Nano Risk Governance organisation to monitor its progress and impact, and to facilitate the monitoring of the performance of the risk governance of nanomaterials. Six areas were defined based on trends and factors for the development of the (originally planned) NRGC design, so that the performance of the risk governance field could be monitored.

The six areas consisted of 1) risk management and risk assessment, 2) risk governance, 3) rules and regulations, 4) innovation and sustainability, 5) research and 6) stakeholders. Twenty-two sub-areas were identified within these areas, and aligned to topics from the International Risk Governance Council (IRGC) and user needs developed in deliverable 6.2. These were then grouped into six clusters, namely Standardization (cluster 1), FAIR data and data quality (cluster 2), Safeand-Sustainable-by-Design (S(S)bD) (cluster 3), Risk governance and innovation (cluster 4), Funding and value of investment (cluster 5) and Communication (cluster 6). Areas, sub-areas and clusters are related to each other as illustrated in Annex 1.

Indicators were formulated so that progress could be demonstrated in a transparent way; the broad spectrum of stakeholders and disciplines would be taken into account and they would be functional to the tasks of the (originally planned) NRGC. The sub-indicators under each indicator were developed using SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time bound) criteria.

In Task 7.3, potentially useful instruments to monitor and evaluate the different indicators and sub-indicators within the different clusters were identified. Success criteria for each of them were defined and, for each of them, the most suitable monitoring tools were assigned. The final toolbox comprised 53 indicators / 111 sub-indicators (Table 2). Additionally, a prioritisation scheme based on relevance and ease of implementation was developed to facilitate the selection of indicators under Task 7.4.

3.2 Description of the work carried out

In this Task 7.4, the toolbox of indicators and their monitoring instruments were closely examined and, focussing on the practical aspects of the prioritisation scheme, indicators for a system for monitoring the progress of risk governance of nanomaterials were selected and metrics for quantifying success derived. The process is outlined in the diagram below.

Briefly, a prioritisation scheme was applied to the full list of indicators for progress monitoring identified under Task 7.3 resulting in a shortlist of indicators based on pragmatic considerations such as 'availability of data' and 'ease of implementation'. In discussions during meetings and a workshop with work package partners (December 2nd, 2021; February 10th 2022; March 24th, 2022; April 28th, 2022; July 11th, 2022; August 26th, 2022), the shortlist was assessed for its

fitness for purpose including comparing each indicator against SMART principles and defining appropriate metrics to track success. The final scheme consists of 16 indicators covering 5 of the 6 clusters relevant for risk governance.

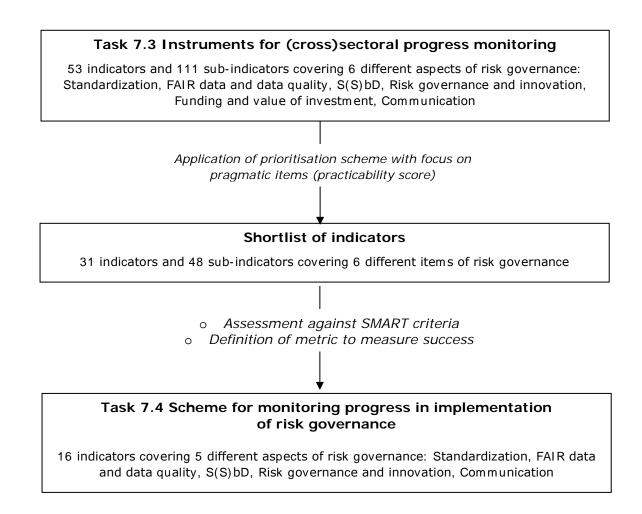


Figure 1: Outline of the process used for devising a scheme for monitoring progress in risk governance of nanotechnology

4 Results

4.1 Practicability score for shortlisting indicators

In Task 7.3 each indicator was rated on (i) the ease and readiness with which it could be implemented and (ii) its relevance. The overall level of ease was quantified by applying a rating scale from 1 to 5 to assess each indicator for availability of resources, availability of existing instruments and availability of existing measures. Likewise, an overall score for each indicator's relevance was obtained by rating its relevance to the process of risk governance, and to Stakeholders (Table 2). Cut-off points for categorising indicators into lowest, middle and highest priority were set at < 12, 12 to 24 and > 24, respectively with a maximum attainable total score of 30.

Table 1: Scoring scheme for priori	tisation of indicators devised in Task 7.3
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Ease and readiness for implementation	Availability of resources	The more data, information, tools, frameworks and/or other resources are available, the higher value (1-5)
	Availability of existing instrument	The more instruments, the higher the value (1-5)
	Availability of existing way to measure	A higher value will be assigned when the way to measure the success of a specific instrument is easy to implement (1-5)
Relevance	Process of risk governance	The greater the relevance to the process of risk governance the higher the value (1-5)
	Council	The greater the relevance to The Council, the higher the value (1-5)
	Stakeholders	The greater the relevance to specific stakeholders (i.e. interested parties involved in risk governance) (1-5)

In Task 7.4, greater weight was given to the elements under 'Ease and readiness for implementation'. A 'practicability' rating was assigned to each indicator or sub-indicator based on overall score, the 'availability of existing instrument(s)' and 'availability of way of measurement'. Where necessary, the 'availability of resources' would have been considered after the initial shortlist based on the first two elements were obtained. The prioritisation scheme, also described in Figure 2, was:

- Practicability score 1: Overall score > 24 AND availability of existing instrument(s) \geq 3
- Practicability score 2: Overall score > 24 AND availability of way to measure \geq 3
- Practicability score 3: Overall score $\geq 12 \leq 24$ AND availability of way to measure ≥ 3

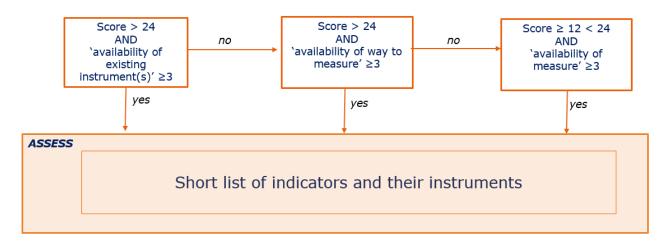


Figure 2: Pragmatic criteria used to shortlist indicators

Based on practicability scores the original long list of 53 indicators / 111 sub-indicators was reduced to 31 indicators / 48 sub-indicators across all 6 clusters (Table 2).

Table 2: Number of shortlisted indicators

Cluster	Title	Original number of indicators	Number of shortlisted indicators
1	Standardization	11 indicators / 24 sub-indicators	3 indicators / 3 sub-indicators
2	Data quality	6 indicators / 12 sub-indicators	3 indicators / 6 sub-indicators
3	Innovation and governance	8 indicators / 17 sub-indicators	5 indicators / 7 sub-indicators
4	Funding & Value of Investment	7 indicators / 10 sub-indicators	3 indicators / 3 sub-indicators
5	S(S)bD	14 indicators / 30 sub-indicators	11 indicators / 17 sub-indicators
6	Communication	7 indicators / 18 sub-indicators	6 indicators / 12 sub-indicators

4.2 Refinement and final selection of indicators and sub-indicators

Finally, each indicator was assessed against SMART criteria and for its ability to monitor the progress of one of the six aspects of risk governance defined under the clusters as illustrated in Table 3. Where it was relevant to do so, indicators were reformulated and a suitable metric to measure success was defined.

Table 3: Illustration of how shortlisted indicators were examined under SMART principles

What aspect of risk governance is being monitored with this indicator?

Standardisation

What is the proposed indicator/sub-indicator and success criteria?

Indicator: Reliable and relevant physico-chemical methods for regulatory risk assessment

Sub-indicator: Investigate the methods used for identification and characterization of nanomaterials to generate the minimal data requirements

Success criteria: Number of recommended guidelines published, accepted and adopted by EU members and non-EU members for nanomaterials characterization

Is this indicator *specific*?

Yes. It is concerned with acceptance and adoption of a specific aspect of standardisation (identification and characterization of nanomaterials) among a particular group (EU members and non-EU members) in order to achieve a particular goal (availability of reliable and relevant physico-chemical methods for regulatory risk assessment)

Is this indicator *measureable*?

Yes

Is this indicator attainable?

Yes, data for this indicator can be collected through a survey/questionnaire as part of a larger survey among EU and non-EU members engaged in adoption or development of nanotechnologies.

Is this indicator *relevant* to the aspect of risk governance being monitored/evaluated?

Yes, development of guidelines and their subsequent adoption by EU and non-EU members would facilitate standardisation of approach for identification and characterization of nanomaterials.

Can this indicator be tracked across *time* such that progress can be monitored and it is repeatable over time?

Yes, however for monitoring progress in terms of acceptance and adoption of the guidelines by EU and non-EU members, it is useful to divide this indicator into (i) number of recommended guidelines published and (ii) number of recommended guidelines accepted and adopted.

Reformulation of indicator following examination under SMART principles

Indicator(s):

- (i) How many guidelines that investigate methods for identification and characterization of nanomaterials have been published or are under-development?
- (ii) What proportion of EU & non-EU members have accepted and adopted published guidelines for identification and characterization of nanomaterials?

Impact:

- Facilitates monitoring of developments in identification and characterisation of nanomaterials.
- Allows for monitoring the uptake (ease and speed) of recommended guidelines on nanomaterial identification and characterisation across EU & non-EU members engaged in nanotechnology use and/or development.

Relevance: The greater the proportion of EU & non-EU members that adopt the recommended guidelines, the greater the amount of high quality standardised data that are available for regulatory risk assessment.

4.2.1 The monitoring scheme

The monitoring scheme is intended to be a practical system that can be employed by any one of the chosen organisational forms that may eventually be established through Gov4Nano. As envisaged, it is a simple, readily-updateable system comprising a manageable number of indicators, many of them automatically, or semi-automatically generated, and associated instruments. It is intended that it should be possible to maintain the system with moderate resources, facilitating regular updating. The proposed system comprises the following elements:

- A description of the 16 indicators,
- Methodology for calculation of each indicator,
- Data sources to be used to calculate each indicator,
- A database in which to store the input data and calculated indicator values, and
- A design for a dashboard (web based) on which the indicator values can be visualised

The 16 indicators cover all but one of the clusters (Table 4 with further details provided in Annex 2). For each of these an indicator-of-success measure that resolves to a single number or proportion is defined so that trends across time can be mapped. This is illustrated for one of the indicators based on a combination of actual data on the number of Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs)¹ in OECD countries and fictional data generated for the purposes of this example.

This indicator falls under Cluster 1: Standardisation. Its purpose is to investigate the uptake of standard methods for identification and characterization of nanomaterials that generate the minimum data requirements by actors in the nanotechnology sector.

The success criteria is described as "standard methods accepted and adopted by the majority (\geq 85 %) of DNFs in EU and non-EU member countries." The indicator-of-success is defined as "the proportion of DNFs in OECD countries that have adopted published guidelines on identification and characterisation of nanomaterials." It is calculated as follows:

¹ DNFs are nanotechnology firms that devote at least 75% of their production of goods and services, or R&D, to nanotechnology while DNF-R&D devote at least 75% of their total R&D to nanotechnology.

Number of DNFs in OECD countries that have adopted guidelines on characterization of nanomaterials. Total number of DNFs in OECD countries.

This is expressed as a percentage and the target is that 85% of DNFs in OECD countries would adopt the guidelines within 5 years although it will be measured annually. This would allow for monitoring the uptake (ease and speed) of recommended guidelines on nanomaterial characterisation and could be used, along with other indicators under the same cluster, as a proxy to gauge the trends in standardisation across the sector. Information to calculate the numerator of this indicator would come from (i) Surveys/questionnaires to monitor adoption of guidelines by OECD countries. (ii) KB crawl (or other automated monitoring software) of umbrella nanotech organisations in respective countries and OECD websites. Data for the denominator can be obtained from (i) OECD's Directorate for Science Technology and Innovation (DSTI) that generate data on numbers of Nanotechnology Firms, Nanotechnology R&D firms, Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) and Dedicated nanotechnology R&D (DNF-R&D) firms as part of their suite of Key Nanotechnology Indicators in OECD countries² and/or (ii) Nanotechnology firm surveys. It is expected that the Roundtable will hold the responsibility of this indicator. It is proposed to represent this and other indicators on a dashboard showing trends and status of the indicator (Figure 3 and Annex 3 Figure 3.1)

Cluster 1: Standardisation



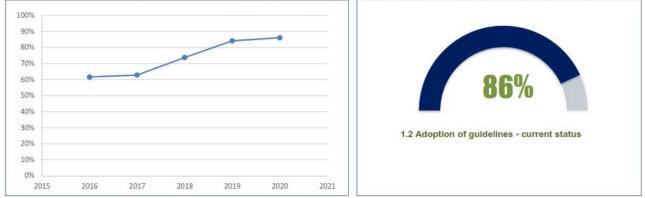


Figure 3: Trends in the proportion of DNFs in OECD countries that have adopted published guidelines on identification and characterisation of nanomaterials and the status of this indicator in 2020 (the most recent year for which data on number of DNFs exist). Numerator data were based on fictional data

4.2.2 Data sources

The tools that are used to obtain data for the indicators are (1) Manual or Automated website scanning and web-based tools (2) Surveys that pick up different aspects of risk governance performance and (3) A standing committee that uses output from the other 2 elements.

Manual or Automated website scanning and web-based tools

In website scanning, keywords linked to information of interest are used to gather data and/or monitor changes. The software-based tools that could be used for automated scanning include Horizon scanning, KB Crawl and the Gov4Nano Completeness monitor by EMERGE while webbased tools such as eNanoMapper and Foresight methods in general provide important data and

² <u>https://www.oecd.org/sti/nanotechnology-indicators.htm</u>

information required for calculating indicator metrics. Most of these have already been comprehensively described in Deliverable 7.3^3 .

Briefly, Horizon scanning is a forecasting tool that is used to detect *"early signs of potentially important developments through a systematic examination of potential threats and opportunities, with emphasis on new technology and its effects on the issue at hand"* (Iversen 2006). It may be conducted manually through experts or be automated. However, it always involves an iterative process of scanning, analysing, synthesizing and communicating information.

KB Crawl is part of the larger KB Suite software package. It supports tracking and surveillance of user-defined information or site areas from multiple sources (e.g. URL, website, blog, social networks, RSS and databases) and includes a facility to schedule monitoring and alerts.

The Completeness monitor⁴ is a freely available web-based tool specifically developed by EMERGE as a collaboration between WP7 and WP1 (Task 1.3) for estimating (meta) data completeness. So far, Completeness is automatically evaluated with respect to physicochemical, exposure and (eco)toxicological data available in the eNanoMapper database, however it can be extended to other databases. Completeness scores are evaluation in real-time, evaluated every 15 days and stored to a database. This tool is employed for one of the key indicators under Cluster: FAIR data and data quality (Indicator 2.3) where the success criteria pertains to completeness of hazard, exposure and physicochemical data.

eNanoMapper⁵ is a publicly available, searchable database that hosts characterisation data and biological and toxicological information on nanomaterials. Data can be uploaded or downloaded to the database. One of its objectives includes "*Improving the utilisation of data through the implementation of a modular infrastructure for data storage, searching and sharing*, based on open standards and semantic web technologies, minimum information standards and established security solutions". It has applicability to indicators on standardisation and FAIR data and data quality.

Surveys

Under Work Package 5 - Deliverable 5.5 recommendations for an Organisational Form for Nano Risk Governance under present policy was put forward⁶ (see Section 4). It is proposed that a Roundtable of stakeholders would be part of the two most promising organisational forms. This would include an expert group selected from a "stakeholder database" that should be established and maintained and from which information needed for several indicators can be obtained through an annual survey (Box 2).

An additional source of indicator-relevant data would be from the OECD's Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (DSTI). The DSTI includes 'Number of firms active in nanotech'⁷ among their key nanotechnology indicators. They make a distinction between Nanotechnology Firms and Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNF) with the latter defined as firms that devote at least 75% of their production of goods and services, or R&D, to nanotechnology. It lists the number of nanotechnology and dedicated nanotechnology firms in each country and has been reported since 2008 with the most recent data reported for 2021.

Both sources – expert group and nanotech firms identified by the DSTI - can be queried by survey using a combination of general and indicator-specific questions. The survey would comprise both short, simple closed-ended questions scored on a Likert scale (e.g., score 1-5) and open-ended questions. The latter would require more in depth post analysis but would provide additional

³ Deliverable D7.3_G4N_Selecting monitoring instruments and recommendations for their implementation

⁴ https://completeness-monitor.greendecision.eu/

⁵ <u>https://www.enanomapper.net/</u>

⁶ D5.5 G4N Development of conditions for an Organisational Form for Nano Risk Governance in the context of present policy goals

⁷ https://www.oecd.org/sti/nanotechnology-indicators.htm

information that could inform our understanding of the progress of risk governance from the viewpoint of a diverse group of stakeholders.

Box 1: Example survey questions

General questions

- For the following elements give a score between 1 and 5 to rate how well the system devised for risk governance of nanotechnology is performing.
 - i. Findability (of information and relevant services)
 - ii. Accessibility (to information and relevant services)
 - iii. Ease of use
 - iv. Usefulness of content
- How well connected is research, regulatory-oriented science and policy on nanotechnology?
- Do you use the system?
- How could the system be improved?

For specific indicators example questions include:

Standardisation

- Are you familiar with the ISO/TC229 Nanotechnologies standards?
- Do you adhere to the ISO/TC229 standards that are relevant for your area of nanotechnology research or the nanotechnology goods and services that you produce

S(S)bD

- Has your organisation incorporated nanomaterial-specific risk prevention guidelines, trainings or workshops to increase workers' awareness on safety during work involving nanomaterials?

Standing committee

As part of the roundtable activities envisaged in D5.5, a standing committee could be formed to take ownership of the scheme and take responsibility for regularly updating the indicators. A small amount of resources would be required for this activity.

Table 4: Progress monitoring indicators

Cluster name	Indicator	Sub-indicator	Success criteria	Indicator-of-success measure
Standardisation	Reliable and relevant physico-chemical methods for regulatory risk assessment.	Investigate the methods used for identification and characterization of nanomaterials to generate the minimum data requirements	The minimum data requirements on identification and characterization of nanomaterials are covered by the guidelines that have been published or are under development.	Proportion of the minimum data requirements on nanomaterial identification and characterisation that have been covered by published guidelines or are being considered by guidelines that are under development.
		Investigate the uptake of standard methods for identification and characterization of nanomaterials that generate the minimum data requirements	Standard methods accepted and adopted by the majority (≥ 85%) of EU members and non- EU members	Proportion of Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) in OECD countries that have adopted the published guidelines for identification and characterization of nanomaterials.
	Exposure (reliable and harmonized methods and models for exposure and release of nanomaterials)	Inventory of exposure models for assessing environmental and occupational exposure of nanomaterials that are used by regulatory authorities.	Recommendations on exposure models must be defined and made available to the public and to stakeholders by regulators.	Proportion of publicly-available exposure models for environmental and occupational exposure of nanomaterials that are based on regulatory recommendations
		Investigate the use of publicly- available, regulator recommended nano-specific environmental and occupational exposure modelling tools.	publicly-available, regulator- recommended exposure modelling tools employed by the majority (≥ 85%) of EU members and non-EU members.	Proportion of Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) in OECD countries that employ publicly-available, regulator- recommended, nano-specific environmental and occupational exposure modelling tools.
FAIR data and data quality	EHS/FAIR data	Harmonized templates for FAIR nanosafety data (specifically for different types of experiments and for the different toxicological endpoints)	Templates required for FAIR nanosafety data (i.e. for all types of experiments and endpoints) are inventoried and made available to relevant actors.	Proportion of the templates needed for FAIR nanosafety data for all types of experiments and endpoints that are available for use by stakeholders and other relevant actors.

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Cluster name	Indicator	Sub-indicator	Success criteria	Indicator-of-success measure
		Harmonized templates for FAIR nanosafety data (specifically for different types of experiments and for the different toxicological endpoints)	Templates are used by all stakeholders	Proportion of stakeholders & stakeholder groups that use the harmonised templates required for FAIR nanosafety data.
	Data completeness	Hazard data completeness • Exposure data completeness • Physicochemical data completeness	Completeness of hazard, exposure and physicochemical data	Data completeness score associated with key parameters that is evaluated based on the physicochemical and hazard data currently in the eNanoMapper database using an algorithm. The results are shown in real time and are updated every 15 min in this online tool developed especially for the Gov4Nano monitoring scheme: https://completeness- monitor.greendecision.eu/
Innovation and governance	Information on new innovation in nanomaterials including commercialisation for each domain; chemicals, consumer products, nanomedicine, medical devices, food and feed, biocides and cosmetics	Annual survey of new (nano)materials including advanced (multicomponent) nanomaterials and trends (e.g. patents, foresight).	Publication of statistics on number of new products, type of nanomaterials used, applications, innovation maturity level, market readiness.	Year-on-year trends on new or advanced nanomaterials
Funding and value of investment	Research questions funded by funding agencies	Inventory of proposals completed that lead to guidance documents or test guidance.	List of completed EU funded projects and main outcomes/Statistics on number of guidance documents obtained in completed proposals	No metric defined

Cluster name	Indicator	Sub-indicator	Success criteria	Indicator-of-success measure
S(S)bD	Nano specific hazard information	Academic & industrial showcases of S(S)bD	An inventory of academic and industrial showcases of S(S)bD (focused on hazard characterization) is established.	Completeness of the inventory based on evaluation by an expert committee.
		Investigate the use of academic & industrial showcases of S(S)bD (focussed on hazard characterization) by EU and non- EU members.	The inventory of academic and industrial showcases of S(S)bD (focused on hazard characterization) is used by the majority (≥ 85%) of EU members and non-EU members.	The majority (>85%) of EU members and non-EU members engaged in nanotechnology utilise the inventory of academic and industrial showcases of S(S)bD (focused on hazard characterization).
		Investigate the adoption of S(S)bD principles	S(S)bD principles have been incorporated in the design and development of nanotechnologies	Proportion of publications on new or updated nanotechnology products or services where S(S)bD principles had been integrally incorporated in the development.
	Worker safety	Nano-specific worker guidelines applicable to nanomaterials. See, for instance: •OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) •WHO •CDC NIOSH (Centre for Disease Control National institute for Occupational Safety and Health)	Risk prevention guidelines, trainings and workshops are employed to increase workers' awareness on safety with regards to nanomaterial- related work.	Proportion of nanotechnology companies that use nanomaterial-specific risk prevention guidelines, trainings and workshops to increase workers' awareness on safety during nanomaterials-related work.
	Risk perception	Workers perceived risks of nanomaterials they handle (vs. what an expert would conclude on their risks).	Workers' risk perception accurately reflect their level of risks in the workplace.	Agreement between workers' perception of their risks and their actual risk (as assessed by experts on nanomaterial risk) (Cohen's kappa)

Cluster name	Indicator	Sub-indicator	Success criteria	Indicator-of-success measure
	Barriers to implementation of S(S)bD	Real and perceived barriers to implementation of S(S)bD in the nanotech sector. These have been noted as: "(i) the terminology around SbD at the start of the project (ii) the lack of data available (iii) the cost of the testing required to produce data (iv) the time invested in the planning, data gathering and interpretation (v) a clear path to demonstrate the SbD result, and (vi) the lack of regulation. " (Sanchez et al. 2020)	Reduction in barriers to implementation of S(S)bD	Proportion of barriers to S(S)bD removed or mitigated (Progress in FAIR data)
Communication	Knowledge platform	A platform that facilitates sharing of knowledge across different nanotechnology sub-sectors/areas; notably research, regulation and policy.	All knowledge-sharing functionalities of the platform are realised.	Completeness of system developed to connect research, regulatory-oriented science and policy
	Knowledge platform	Transdisciplinary and trans domain summit for regulators to encourage knowledge sharing and collaboration (survey)	Activities are carried out by regulators to encourage knowledge sharing and collaboration.	Completeness of an established knowledge platform(s) or system for knowledge sharing.

4.2.3 Web-based dashboard

The indicators would be housed on a web-based dashboard which design would help stimulate dialog around risk governance of nanotechnology. A few designs were considered such as the:

- <u>Scottish National indicator Performance</u>⁸
- <u>Doomsday clock</u>⁹ where 100% effective risk governance is the target and how close you are to that achievement is clearly visualised.

The chosen design illustrated in Annex 3 should allow users to investigate the trends in any aspect of risk governance covered by the 5 clusters for which indicators have been defined.

Features of the suggested web-based dashboard include for each indicator a sheet with infographics indicating:

- The cluster to which the indicator belongs
- A short description of the indicator
- A line graph showing the performance trend of the indicator over the most recent 5-year period (at least)
- A half-circle infographic showing the current status of the indicator and colour-coded (green, orange or red) to indicate how close it is to achieving a pre-set target; and
- An overview of all the indicators for the cluster over the most recent 5-year period (at least) in the form of a heat map with six different levels (Annex 3. Figure A3.1).

The overall performance of risk governance of nanotechnology may be displayed with two different levels of detail. In both cases the dashboard would show:

- A line graph with the trend in overall performance of risk governance over the most recent 5-year period.
- A color-coded half-circle infographic to indicate the current status of risk governance of nanotechnology overall.

Additionally, it would also include one of the following:

- A list showing risk governance performance at the cluster level. This would show how each aspect of risk governance of nanotechnology (e.g. Standardisation, S(S)bD) has performed over the most recent 5-year period (Annex 3. Figure A3.2).
- A list showing how each indicator has performed over the most recent 5-year period (Annex 3. Figure A3.3).

It is proposed that the dashboard be hosted on the portal and maintained by the standing committee.

5 Evaluation and conclusions

A monitoring scheme consisting of 16 indicators that cover 5 different aspects of risk governance, namely Standardisation, FAIR data and data quality, Innovation and governance, SSbD and Communication has been designed.

The indicators are intended to provide an "indication" of the state of risk governance. They do not, nor are they intended to describe the full state. But regularly updating them will provide an indication of the progress of the state. As much of the data to calculate the indicators would need to be obtained via survey or using one of the automated tools discussed, it has not been possible within the project to provide initial values for the indicators.

⁸ <u>https://nationalperformance.gov.scot/measuring-progress/national-indicator-performance</u>

⁹ https://thebulletin.org/doomsday-clock/current-time/

Full implementation of the scheme will be the responsibility of whatever organisational form emerges in the post project phase. Some of the considerations in devising the scheme were that while Automated scanning is favourable due to its lower resource requirements, complete automization is not possible since input from experts, including from a house of governors, would be required to update criteria, sources of information for criteria and for maintenance of the scheme on a webpage. Likewise, surveys while relatively simple to design, would require expert input for design and identification and administering to a relevant group. Therefore, considerable financial resource is still required for these first two elements. Together with the financial resource that would be required for a standing committee that would synthesize the outputs from the first two elements, the costs of establishing and maintaining the monitoring scheme would need to be carefully considered prior to its implementation.

Some redesign of the scheme and or selection of indicators may be desirable or necessary to deal with resource limitations or to changing priorities going forward.

6 Deviations from the work plan

According to the DoW, this work package would provide a cost estimate for integrating the monitoring scheme within the NRGC by the end of the Gov4Nano projects. However, changes to the nature of the NRGC office in response to the Commission's request around the CSS and the EU Green Deal meant that an actual NRGC office was not be established within the timeframe of this project but that options for an organisational form will be suggested. In the absence of an actual NRGC office a cost estimate was not discussed in this report.

7 Performance of the partners

Partners: RIVM, IenW, IOM, NIA, LEITAT, EMERGE, INERIS, CNRS, KRISS, NIOH

All partners participated in the various meetings and workshop including, in the initial stages, members of WP7.3. RIVM has contributed to the refinement of several indicators and sub-indicators.

LEITAT, acted as a connection link between what was already done in the different tasks of the WP7 and what was about to be done in Task 7.4. They participated in the different meetings and workshops organised by IOM.

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Annex 1: The sub-areas identified under each area and their categorisation into clusters

Areas	Sub-areas	Cluster
Risk management & risk assessment	Information on criteria, procedures, tools, and methods for risk evaluation is agreed upon and made publicly available	1. Standardisation
Risk governance	FAIR databases for safety data (including exposure) of NMs are developed, including labels/scores/evaluation methods for data quality	2. FAIR data and data quality
	A risk governance system for NMs is established	3. Risk governance and innovation
	A mechanism is established to identify potential risks, including stimulation of Safe-by-Design implementation	5. SSbD
	A mechanism for regulatory preparedness is established	5. SSbD
	A communication platform is established which is accessible to all stakeholders	6. Communication
Rules & Regulation	A mechanism is established to support implementation of safe-and sustainable-by-design	5. SSbD
	A mechanism for transdisciplinary collaboration across regulatory domains is established	6. Communication
	A transparent system is developed to connect science policy, safety policy and innovation policy	6. Communication
Innovation & Sustainability	Current barriers for innovation in NMs are defined and solutions are provided to overcome barriers	3. Risk governance and innovation
	A mechanism is established to stimulate innovations in NMs including a system for structural investment in NM innovation	3. Risk governance and innovation
	Communication between industry and regulators in the early stages of innovation is facilitated to support safe innovative products to the market (in a trusted environment)	5. SSbD
	A mechanism to support safe and sustainable innovation of products is established	5. SSbD
Research	Description of novel, smart and/or advanced materials	1. Standardisation
	Adoption of regulatory questions and needs by research funding	4. Funding and value of investment
	A system for structural investment in safety research is established	5. SSbD
	A system is developed to connect research, regulatory oriented science and policy	6. Communication
	Implementation of safety and risk management in education	6. Communication
Stakeholders	A process for sharing trusted sources of information between market players is established	5. SSbD
	A mechanism to ensure workers safety is established	5. SSbD
	Increased public trust related to safety of NMs	6. Communication
	A mechanism is established to prove, communicate and have information on product safety	6. Communication

Annex 2: A database of indicators for monitoring progress of risk governance of nanotechnology

A printout of the database of indicators is provided.

WP 7.4 - A scheme for monitoring progress in implementation of risk governance of nanotechnology

ClusterStandardisationSub-areaDescription of novel, smart and/or advanced materials

Indicator 1.1	Sub-indicator
Reliable and relevant physico-chemical methods for regulatory risk assessment.	Investigate the methods used for identification and characterization of nanomaterials to generate the minimum data requirements
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
The minumum data requirements on identification and characterization of nanomaterials are covered by the guidelines that have been published or are under development.	Proportion of the minimum data requirements on nanomaterial identification and characterisation that have been covered by published guidelines or are being considered by guidelines that are under development.
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
The data requirements for identification and characterisation of nanomaterials that have been published or are under development by official bodies and standardisation committees e.g. CEN, ISO, ASTM	KB crawl of relevant websites e.g. CEN, ISO, ASTM, EU Nanosafety Cluster, eNanomapper
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
The minimum number of data requirements required for identification and characterization of NMs for used in regulatory risk assessment.	Expert survey of representatives from regulatory bodies and from industry to determine the miniumum data requirements for regulatory risk assessment.
Other sources of information	
na	
Impact of this indicator	

Impact of this indicator

Facilitates monitoring of developments in identification and characterisation of nanomaterials.

Baseline_description

Frequency	Target
annually	100%
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Reporting	Responsibility
Roundtable	Roundtable

Cluster Standardisation

Sub-area Description of novel, smart and/or advanced materials

Indicator 1.2	Sub-indicator
Reliable and relevant physico-chemical methods for regulatory risk assessment.	Investigate the uptake of standard methods for identification and characterization of nanomaterials that generate the minimum data requirements
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
Standard methods accepted and adopted by the majority (\geq 85 %) of EU members and non-EU members	Proportion of Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) in OECD countries that have adopted the published guidelines for identification and characterization of nanomaterials.
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
Number of DNFs in OECD countries that have adopted guidelines on characterization of nanomaterials.	(i) Surveys/questionnaires to monitor adoption of guidelines by OECD countries. (ii) KB crawl (or other automated monitoring software) of umbrella nanotech organisations in respective countries and OECD websites.
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
Total number of DNFs in OECD countries.	(i) OECD's Directorate for Science Technology and Innovation (DSTI) generate data on numbers of Nanotechnology Firms, Nanotechnology R&D firms, Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) and Dedicated nanotechnology R&D (DNF-R&D) firms as part of their suite of Key Nanotechnology Indicators in OECD. https://www.oecd.org/sti/nanotechnology-indicators.htm (ii) Nanotechnology firm surveys. Note: DNFs are nanotechnology firms that devote at least 75% of their production of goods and services, or R&D, to nanotechnology while DNF-R&D devote at least 75% of their total R&D to nanotechnology.
Other sources of information	
na	
Impact of this indicator	
Allows for monitoring the uptake (ease and speed) of recommended guidelines on nanoma	aterial characterisation.
Baseline_description	
Baseline to be established by first running of the stakeholder survey and automated monit	coring survey (KB Crawl)

Frequency	Target
annually	85 % within 5 years
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Reporting	Responsibility
Roundtable	Roundtable

Cluster Standardisation

Sub-area Description of novel, smart and/or advanced materials

Indicator 1.3	Sub-indicator	
Exposure (reliable and harmonized methods and models for exposure and release of nanomaterials)	Inventory of exposure models for assessing environmental and occupational exposure of nanomaterials that are used by regulatory authorities.	
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric	
Recommendations on exposure models must be defined and made available to the public and to stakeholders by regulators.	Proportion of publically-available exposure models for environmental and occupational exposure of nanomaterials that are based on regulatory recommendations.	
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator	
Number of regulator-recommended, nanotech-specific environmental and occupational exposure models.	KB crawl / Horizon Scanning of websites of regulatory bodies (e.g. RIVM https://www.consexponano.nl/) for information on exposure models for nanomaterials that have been recommended by regulatory bodies.	
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator	
Number of publically-available exposure models for environmental and occupational exposure of nanomaterials	Software-based monitoring instruments to monitor academic and industrial platforms. Academic: PubMed, Web of Science, Google Scholar etc. Industrial OECD reports.	
Other sources of information		
na		
Impact of this indicator		
Facilitates monitring the availability of exposure monitoring tools needed for regulatory risk	k assessment.	
Baseline_description		
Baseline to be established by first running of automated monitoring survey (KB Crawl and	Horizon Scanning)	
Frequency	Target	
annually	100% within 5 years	
Reporting	Responsibility	
Roundtable	Roundtable	

Cluster Standardisation

Sub-area Description of novel, smart and/or advanced materials

Indicator 1.4	Sub-indicator
Exposure (reliable and harmonized methods and models for exposure and release to nanomaterials)	Investigate the use of publically-available, regulator recommended nano-specific environmental and occupational exposure modelling tools.
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
Publically-available, regulator-recommended exposure modelling tools employed by the majority (≥ 85%) of DNFs in EU members and non-EU members.	Proportion of Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) in OECD countries that employ publically-available, regulator-recommended, nano-specific environmental and occupational exposure modelling tools.
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
Number of DNFs in OECD countries that employ publically-available, regulator- recommended, nano-specific occupational exposure modelling tools for worker exposure	Surveys/questionnaires to monitor use of regulator-recommended exposure modelling tools
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
Total number of DNFs in OECD countries.	 (i) OECD's Directorate for Science Technology and Innovation (DSTI) generate data on numbers of Nanotechnology Firms, Nanotechnology R&D firms, Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) and Dedicated nanotechnology R&D (DNF-R&D) firms as part of their suite of Key Nanotechnology Indicators in OECD. https://www.oecd.org/sti/nanotechnology-indicators.htm (ii) Nanotechnology firm surveys. Note: DNFs are nanotechnology firms that devote at least 75% of their production of goods and services, or R&D, to nanotechnology while DNF-R&D devote at least 75% of their total R&D to nanotechnology.
Other sources of information	
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na Impact of this indicator	exposure and release of nanomaterials. This information can be used to inform the approach for encouraging
na Impact of this indicator Allows for monitoring the uptake (ease and speed) of harmonised methods and models for	exposure and release of nanomaterials. This information can be used to inform the approach for encouraging
na Impact of this indicator Allows for monitoring the uptake (ease and speed) of harmonised methods and models for uptake of regulator-recommended, nanotech-specific methodologies.	exposure and release of nanomaterials. This information can be used to inform the approach for encouraging
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Cluster FAIR data and data quality

Sub-area FAIR databases for safety data of NMs are developed, including data quality and completeness

Indicator 2.1	Sub-indicator	
EHS/FAIR data	Harmonized templates for FAIR nanosafety data (specifically for different types of experiments and for the different toxicological endpoints)	
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric	
Templates required for FAIR nanosafety data (i.e. for all types of experiments and endpoints) are inventorised and made available to relevant actors.	Proportion of the templates needed for FAIR nanosafety data for all types of experiments and endpoints that are available for use by stakeholders and other relevant actors.	
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator	
Number of available data templates defined as necessary	Screen databases, stakeholder surveys, expert meetings/interviews for templates that are available for use.	
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator	
Number of required templates	Stakeholder surveys, expert meetings/interviews e.g. Results of joint meetings of EU projects.	
Other sources of information		
Inventory of the number of developed templates for nanosafety data using databases s	such as eNanoMapper, NanoCommons database, Nikc (US).	
Impact of this indicator		
Available templates for FAIR nanosafety data will lead to harmonized FAIR data generation and use.		
Baseline_description		
Baseline to be established by first running of the survey. There are existing templates developed in earlier EU-projects (related to eNanomapper). New templates for FAIR nanosafety data were developed in WP1.		
Frequency	Target	
annually	100% within 3 years.	
Reporting	Responsibility	
Open access, freely available report	Suggestions: Organisational Form of Nano Risk Governance, NSC workgroup FAIR data, Advanced Nano IN	

Cluster FAIR data and data quality		
Sub-area FAIR databases for safety data of NMs are developed, including data quality and completeness		
Indicator 2.2	Sub-indicator	
EHS/FAIR data	Harmonized templates for FAIR nanosafety data (specifically for different types of experiments and for the different toxicological endpoints)	
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric	
Templates are used by all stakeholders	Proportion of stakeholders & stakeholder groups that use the harmonised templates required for FAIR nanosafety data.	
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator	
Number of stakeholders/stakeholder groups using the harmonized templates.	Check stakeholders/stakeholder groups that use the templates in the databases	
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator	
Number of stakeholders/stakeholder groups	Define number of stakeholders & stakeholder groups by means of surveys and interviews.	
Other sources of information		
Explore by means of surveys if relevant data generators use the templates.		
Impact of this indicator		
Available templates for FAIR nanosafety data will lead to harmonized FAIR data generation and use.		
Baseline_description		
There are existing templates developed in earlier EU-projects (related to eNanomapper). New templates for FAIR nanosafety data are developed in WP1.		
Frequency	Target	
annually	1) 100% within 3 years 2) 50% of stakeholders & 100% of stakeholder groups within 5 years	
Reporting	Responsibility	
Open access, freely available report	Suggestions: Organisational Form of Nano Risk Governance, NSC workgroup FAIR data, AdvancedNano IN	

Cluster FAIR data and data quality

Sub-area FAIR databases for safety data of NMs are developed, including data quality and completeness

Indicator 2.3	Sub-indicator
Data completeness	• Hazard data completeness • Exposure data completeness • Physicochemical data completeness
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
Completeness of hazard, exposure and physicochemical data	Data completeness score associated with key parameters
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
#Required properties (parameters) for which there is data available	eNanoMapper, extendable to other databases; Data to be obtained by automatic computation of CSs from data available in databases.
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
#Required properties (parameters)	Same as for numerator
Other sources of information	
Impact of this indicator	
A measure of data completeness is fundamental for many tasks (e.g., modelling,	risk assessment). This indicator serves also as an incentive to provide more complete data and to fill gaps in databases.
Baseline_description	
Frequency	Target
real time	Yearly improvement of at least xx% (note however that it is unlikely that databases of "old" projects will be updated)
Reporting	Responsibility

Automatically computed (see comments)

This indicator will be publicly available through a web application (see comments)

Cluster	Innovation and governance	
Sub-area	A risk governance system for NMs is established	
Indicator 3.1		Sub-indicator
	w innovation in nanomaterials including commercialisation for each s, consumer products, nanomedicine, medical devices, food and feed, etics	Annual survey of new (nano)materials including advanced (multicomponent) nanomaterials and trends (e.g. patents, foresight).
Success criteria		Indicator-of-success metric
	tistics on number of new products, type of nanomaterials used, vation maturity level, market readiness.	Year-on-year trends on new or advanced nanomaterials
Numerator		Sources of information for numerator
na		na
Denominator		Sources of information for denominator
na		na
Other sources of in	nformation	
publications, surv Risk Observatory	eys or interviews on new nanomaterials, advanced materials and trend	noproducts registered at ECHA, market analysis to detect new patents, products using nanomaterials, scientific s. Software-based instruments. (KB Crawl, Horizon Scanning,). Target web sources like: EU-OSHA's European Advanced Engineering Materials and Technologies (EuMaT), Nanomedicine European Technology Platform
Impact of this indi	icator	
Timely/adequate risk governance cannot be made if trends in the field are not known. Therefore, this can be a very important indicator especially to counter the ever existing policy lag on technological development.		
Baseline_descripti	on	
Unknown for regu	lators what new nanomaterials will reach the market	
Frequency		Target
annually		
Reporting		Responsibility
A notification lett	er should be written to the authorities on nanotechnology risk In update the test procedures or regulation of nanomaterials.	Organisational Form of Nano Risk Governance / OECD / Cluster work group

Cluster Funding and value of investment

Sub-area Adoption of regulatory questions and needs by research funding (DOA)

Indicator 4.1	Sub-indicator
Research questions funded by funding agencies	Inventory of proposals completed that lead to guidance documents or test guidance.
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
List of completed EU funded projects and main outcomes/Statistics on number of guidance documents obtained in completed proposals	This Indicator was not developed further. This is a placeholder for this or any indicator that would cover this area (i.e. Funding and value of investment) of risk governance for nanotechnology.
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
Other sources of information	
Impact of this indicator	
Baseline_description	
Frequency	Target
Reporting	Responsibility

Sub-area (i) A mechanism to support safe and sustainable innovation of products is established. (ii) A system for structural investment in safety research is established

Indicator 5.1	Sub-indicator	
Nano specific hazard information	Academic & industrial showcases of S(S)bD	
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric	
An inventory of academic and industrial showcases of S(S)bD (focused on hazard characterization) is established.	Completeness of the inventory based on evaluation by an expert committee.	
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator	
To be determined from survey		
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator	
Other sources of information		
Software-based monitoring instruments to monitor academic and industrial showcases and standardisation organisations. Academic platforms: PubMed, Web of Science, Google Scholar etc. Industrial platforms: OECD reports. Standards organisations: IEC, CEN, ISO.		
Impact of this indicator		
Baseline_description		
This will be established following the initial run of software-based monitoring instruments and subsequent evaluation by an expert committee.		
Frequency	Target	
annually	100% within 3 years (i.e. inventory is established and procedures for ongoing update and evaluation is in place)	
Reporting	Responsibility	
Roundtable	Roundtable	

Sub-area (i) A mechanism to support safe and sustainable innovation of products is established. (ii) A system for structural investment in safety research is established

Indicator 5.2	Sub-indicator
Nano specific hazard information	Investigate the use of academic & industrial showcases of S(S)bD (focussed on hazard characterization) by EU and non-EU members.
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
The inventory of academic and industrial showcases of $S(S)bD$ (focused on hazard characterization) is used by the majority (\geq 85%) of EU members and non-EU members.	The majority (>85%) of EU members and non-EU members engaged in nanotechnology utilise the inventory of academic and industrial showcases of S(S)bD (focused on hazard characterization).
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
The number of EU and non-EU members engaged in nanotechnology that utilise the inventory of academic and industrial showcases of S(S)bD	Software-based monitoring instruments to monitor: academic and industrial showcases; and standardisation organisations: IEC, CEN
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
The number of EU and non-EU members engaged in nanotechnology	(i) OECD's Directorate for Science Technology and Innovation (DSTI) generate data on numbers of Nanotechnology Firms, Nanotechnology R&D firms, Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) and Dedicated nanotechnology R&D (DNF-R&D) firms as part of their suite of Key Nanotechnology Indicators in OECD. https://www.oecd.org/sti/nanotechnology-indicators.htm (ii) Nanotechnology firm surveys. Note: DNFs are nanotechnology firms that devote at least 75% of their production of goods and services, or R&D, to nanotechnology while DNF-R&D devote at least 75% of their total R&D to nanotechnology.
Other sources of information	

Impact of this indicator

Would allow determination of the extent of engagement with the principles of SSbD in the nanotech world and inform whether measures for promoting uptake are successful or need to be revised.

Baseline_description

To be determined upon first running of software-based monitoring instruments

Frequency	Target
annually	Within 3 years there is an indication that at least 85% of EU and non-EU members are engaged with S(S)bD.
Reporting	Responsibility
Roundtable	Roundtable

Sub-area (i) A mechanism to support safe and sustainable innovation of products is established. (ii) A system for structural investment in safety research is established

Indicator 5.3	Sub-indicator	
Nano specific hazard information	Investigate the adoption of S(S)bD principles	
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric	
S(S)bD principles have been incorporated in the design and development of nanotechnologies	Proportion of publications on new or updated nanotechnology products or services where S(S)bD principles had been integrally incorporated in the development.	
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator	
Number of publications on new or updated nanotechnologies where S(S)bD principles are integral part of the nanotechnology development.	Software-based monitoring instruments to monitor academic and industrial showcases. Platforms: Academic: PubMed, Web of Science, Google Scholar etc. Industrial OECD reports.	
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator	
Number of publications on new nanotechnologes across platforms	Software-based monitoring instruments to monitor academic and industrial showcases. Platforms: Academic: PubMed, Web of Science, Google Scholar etc. Industrial OECD reports.	
Other sources of information		
-		
Impact of this indicator		
Would give an indication of the extent of uptake of the principles of S(S)bD in the nanotech world and would inform measures for promoting uptake.		
Baseline_description		
This will be established following the initial run of software-based monitoring instruments	s and subsequent evaluation by an expert committee.	
Frequency	Target	
annually	100% within 3 years	
Reporting	Responsibility	

Roundtable

Sub-area A mechanism is established to support implementation of safe-and-sustainable-by-design.

Indicator 5.4	Sub-indicator
Worker safety	Nano-specific worker guidelines applicable to nanomaterials. See, for instance: •OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) •WHO •CDC NIOSH (Centre for Disease Control National institute for Occupational Safety and Health)
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
Risk prevention guidelines, trainings and workshops are employed to increase workers' awareness on safety with regards to nanomaterial-related work.	Proportion of nanotechnology companies that use nanomaterial-specific risk prevention guidelines, trainings and workshops to increase workers' awareness on safety during nanomaterials-related work.
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
Number of nanotechnology firms using nano-specific risk prevention guidelines, trainings and workshops on worker safety in the nanotech environment.	Surveys/questionnaires targeted at DNFs in OECD countries to determine the extent of use of nanotechnology-specific trainings in the sector (above and beyond that employed for conventional chemicals).
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
Total number of nanotechnology companies in OECD countries	(i) OECD's Directorate for Science Technology and Innovation (DSTI) generate data on numbers of Nanotechnology Firms, Nanotechnology R&D firms, Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) and Dedicated nanotechnology R&D (DNF-R&D) firms as part of their suite of Key Nanotechnology Indicators in OECD. https://www.oecd.org/sti/nanotechnology-indicators.htm (ii) Nanotechnology firm surveys. Note: DNFs are nanotechnology firms that devote at least 75% of their production of goods and services, or R&D, to nanotechnology while DNF-R&D devote at least 75% of their total R&D to nanotechnology.
Other sources of information	
-	
Impact of this indicator	
Would give an indication of the extent of practical implementation of S(S)bD in the sector.	

Baseline_description

Baseline to be established by first run of the survey

Frequency	Target
annually	100% within 3 years
Reporting	Responsibility
Roundtable	Roundtable

Sub-area A mechanism is established to support implementation of safe-and-sustainable-by-design.

Indicator 5.5	Sub-indicator
Risk perception	Workers perceived risks of nanomaterials they handle (vs. what an expert would conclude on their risks).
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
Workers' risk perception accurately reflect their level of risks in the workplace.	Agreement between workers' perception of their risks and their actual risk (as assessed by experts on nanomaterial risk) (Cohen's kappa)
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
na	na
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
na	na
Other sources of information	
 (i) Survey targeting workers within nanotechnology sectors. Accessed through industrindustry and national bodies. (iii) Risk assessment nanotech-related literature. 	y channels e.g. trade unions (ii) Survey targeting nanotech safety experts within Health and Safety establishments in
Impact of this indicator	
Accurate perception of occupational risk is linked to ability to identify source of hazard Gives an indication of workers' trust in control measures implemented for their safety	
Baseline_description	
Baseline to be established by first run of the surveys	
Frequency	Target
annually	0.7 to 1 within 3 years
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Cluster S(S)bD

Sub-area A mechanism is established to support implementation of safe-and-sustainable-by-design.

Indicator 5.6	Sub-indicator
Barriers to implemenation of S(S)bD	Real and perceived barriers to implementation of S(S)bD in the nanotech sector. These have been noted as:(i) the terminology around SbD at the start of the project (ii) the lack of data available (iii) the cost of the testing required to produce data (iv) the time invested in the planning, data gathering and interpretation (v) a clear path to demonstrate the SbD result, and (vi) the lack of regulation. (Sanchez et al. 2020)
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
Reduction in barriers to implementaion of S(S)bD	Proportion of barriers to S(S)bD removed or mitigated (Progress in FAIR data)
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
na	na
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
na	na
Other sources of information	
Surveys/questionnaires to monitor extent of real and perceived barriers	
Impact of this indicator	
Monitor progress of measures taken to promote or ease the way for the principles of S(S)b	D to be adopted.
Baseline_description	
Baseline to be established by first running of the survey.	
Frequency	Target
annually	100% within 3 years
Reporting	Responsibility
Roundtable	Roundtable

Cluster Communication	
Sub-area A system is developed to connect	esearch, regulatory oriented science and policy
Indicator 6.1	Sub-indicator
Knowledge platform	A platform that facilitates sharing of knowledge across different nanotechnology sub-sectors/areas; notably research, regulation and policy.
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
All knowledge-sharing functionalities of the platform are re	ised. Completeness of system developed to connect research, regulatory-oriented science and policy
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
Actual score from the survey	Annual stakeholder survey
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
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Other sources of information	
	omplete (ii) Level of completeness as assessed by experts ; Platforms supported by national bodies and/or EU commission
Impact of this indicator	
Providing confidence to stakeholders that the system is wo	ing
Baseline_description	
Baseline to be established by first running of the survey	
Frequency	Target
annually	100% complete within 3 years
Reporting	Responsibility
Roundtable	Roundtable

Cluster Communication

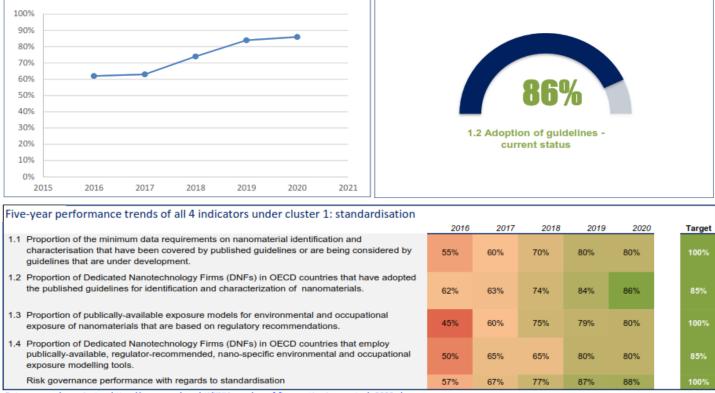
Sub-area A mechanism is established to prove, communicate and have information on product safety

Indicator 6.2	Sub-indicator
Knowledge platform	Transdisciplinary and trans domain summit for regulators to encourage knowledge sharing and collaboration (survey)
Success criteria	Indicator-of-success metric
Activities are carried out by regulators to encourage knowledge sharing and collaboration.	Completeness of an established knowledge platform(s) or system for knowledge sharing.
Numerator	Sources of information for numerator
Actual score from the survey	Annual stakeholder survey
Denominator	Sources of information for denominator
Maximum for the score from the survey (5 for each question)	Annual stakeholder survey
Other sources of information	
Surveys to determine: (i) Number of experts that view it as complete (ii) Level of completer Impact of this indicator Providing confidence to stakeholders that the system is working	ness as assessed by experts ; Platforms supported by national bodies and/or EU commission
Baseline_description	
Baseline to be established by first running of the survey	
Frequency	Target
annually	100% complete within 1.5 years
Reporting	Responsibility
Roundtable	Roundtable

Annex 3: Suggested design for a web-based dashboard

Cluster 1: Standardisation

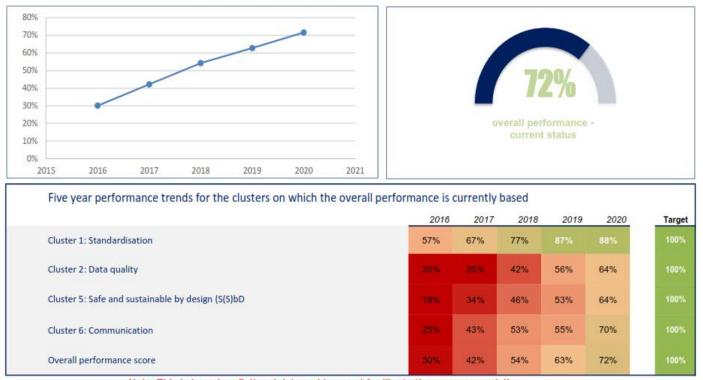
Indicator 1.2: Proportion of DNFs in OECD countries that have adopted the published guidelines for identification and characterization of nanomaterials.



Data sources denominator: https://www.oecd.org/sti/KNI1-number-of-firms-active-in-nanotech-2022.xlsx

Data sources numerator: Fictional data and meant for illustrative purposes only II

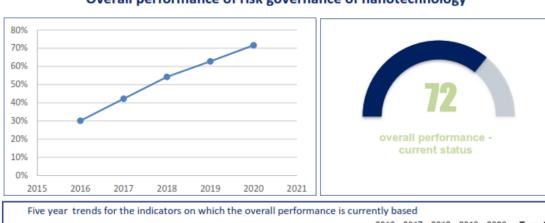
Figure A3.1: Suggested design for web-based dashboard for each indicator indicating most recent trends in its performance, its current status and the status of other indicators in the cluster that the indicator belongs



Overall performance of risk governance of nanotechnology

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Figure A3.2: Suggested design for a web-based dashboard with infographics displaying most recent trends in overall performance of risk governance of nanotechnology, current status and, performance trends for each of the clusters used to monitor overall progress



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	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021							
	Five year	trends	for the ind	dicators or	n which t	he overall	perform	ance is curr		ased 2017	2018	2019	2020	Target
1.1	characteris	ation that	iimum data i have been c ider develop	overed by pu					55%	60%	70%	80%	80%	100%
1.2			ed Nanotecl nes for ident						62%	63%	74%	84%	86%	85%
1.3			lly-available erials that ar					ational	45%	60%	75%	79%	80%	100%
1.4		available, r	ed Nanotecl egulator-rec ools.						50%	65%	65%	80%	80%	85%
2.1			plates need ailable for u					eriments and	25%	35%	50%	60%	65%	100%
2.2	Proportion for FAIR na			eholder grou	ups that use	the harmor	nised templ	ates required	25%	30%	45%	68%	68%	100%
2.3	Data comp	leteness so	ore associat	ed with key	parameters				0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.6	1
5.1	Completen	ess of the	inventory of	academia ar	nd industria	l showcases	fof of S(S)b	D	0.2	0.45	0.5	0.55	0.6	1
5.2			members ar c and indust					y utilise the aracterization)	10%	25%	30%	25%	40%	85%
5.3			tions on new been integra					es where	20%	25%	35%	50%	65%	100%
5.4		trainings a	chnology cor and worksho d work.						15%	35%	55%	65%	75%	100%
5.5	-		workers' pe rial risk) (Col			id their actu	al risk (as a	ssessed by an	0.20	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.70	1
5.6	Proportion	of identifi	ed barriers to	o S(S)bD rem	loved or mit	tigated (Pro	gress in FAI	R data)	20%	30%	50%	65%	65%	100%
6.1	Completen policy	ess of syst	em develope	d to connec	t research, i	regulatory-c	priented scie	ence and	30%	35%	45%	50%	65%	100%
6.2	Completen	ess of an e	stablished k	nowledge pl	atform(s) or	system for	knowledge	sharing.	20%	50%	60%	60%	75%	100%
	Overall	perfor	mance s	core					30%	42%	54%	63%	72%	100%

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Figure A3.3: Suggested design for a web-based dashboard with infographics displaying most recent trends in overall performance of risk governance of nanotechnology, current status and, performance trends for each of the indicators used to monitor overall progress

Annex 4: Addendum - Provisional estimate of the baseline of risk governance monitoring dashboard based on an informal survey of experts.

Background: Under the original DoW for task 7.4 it was proposed that we test the progress monitoring system that would be developed, including establishing a baseline for as many of the indicators as possible. This would have fallen under the remit of the NRGC had such an organisation been established under Work package 5 as originally intended. However, in the absence of a NRGC or an alternative organisational form, we have developed a *Provisional estimate of the baseline of risk governance monitoring dashboard of nanomaterials* based primarily on an informal survey of experts that attended the 8th and final Gov4Nano consortium meeting in Rome on 14-15th February 2023. We report on the outcome of that exercise in this addendum to the deliverable D7.4.

Aim: The objective was to obtain a provisional baseline of the status of risk governance of nanomaterials by surveying experts in the field.

Method: Following familiarisation with indicators under each cluster and their expected overall impact on risk governance, participants at the 8th Gov4Nano consortium meeting (Rome, 14-15th February 2023) were requested to assess their status by responding to the following questions.

-	q1. Which stakeholder group do you represent?
Standardisation	q2. What proportion of the minimum data requirements on NM identification has been covered by published guidelines or guidelines under development?
	q3. What proportion of Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) in OECD countries have adopted the published guidelines for characterisation of NM?
FAIR data and data quality	q4. What proportion of the templates, needed for FAIR nanosafety data, are available for use by stakeholders and other relevant groups?
	q5. What proportion of stakeholders and stakeholder groups use the harmonised templates required for FAIR nanosafety data?
S(S)bD	q6. How would you rate the extent of engagement with principles of $S(S)bD$ in the nanotech world?
	q7. How would you rate the extent of practical implementation of $S(S)bD$ in the nanotech world?
	q8. On a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being the least), how would you rate workers' trust in control measures implemented for their safety in the sector?
Communication	q9. How complete is the system connecting research, regulatory-oriented science and policy? (1 is the least complete)
	q10. How complete is the knowledge platform(s) or system for knowledge sharing?
	were revised as that they were in a form that were revealed for

Three indicators were revised so that they were in a form that was more suitable for posing to experts under the survey conditions. However, it is advised that the original description of these should be used during formal implementation of the progress monitoring system. The original versions of these indicators were:

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- q6 5.2. The proportion of EU members and non-EU members engaged in nanotechnology that utilise the inventory of academic and industrial showcases of S(S)bD (focused on hazard characterization).
- q7 5.3 Proportion of publications on new or updated nanotechnology products or services where S(S)bD principles had been integrally incorporated in the development.
- q8 5.5 Agreement between workers' perception of their risks and their actual risk (as assessed by experts on nanomaterial risk) (Cohen's kappa).

In addition to this exercise an evaluation of the data completeness indicator was carried out using the tool developed by EMERGE as a collaboration between WP7 and WP1^{10,11}. This tool, that falls under the FAIR data and data quality cluster, calculates a data completeness score associated with key parameters that is evaluated based on the physicochemical and hazard data currently in the eNanoMapper database using an algorithm. It is fully automated and continuously updated and, as such, does represent the actual status of the indicator.

Results and findings: Of the 29 participants present, 22 responded. Not surprisingly, given the nature of the conference, most respondents were from the research sector, followed by policy and industry players.



At least 16 responses were received for five of the 9 questions pertaining to progress monitoring indicators and no response for q10 (Figure A4.1).

The responses suggest that the aspect of risk governance closest to target is '*the availability of FAIR nanosafety data templates to stakeholders and other relevant groups'* with 12/18 respondents estimating that more than 60% of the needed templates are available. This was not equalled by their assessment of the use of those templates with all 20 respondents to q5 indicating that they believed that under 41% of stakeholders used the templates and most (13) believed this to be less than 20%. This indicates the need for better dissemination, awareness of existing templates or assessment of their useability and/or accessibility to stakeholders (Figure A4.1).

Responses to questions around S(S)bD (q6-q8) suggest that engagement with the principles of S(S)bD and its implementation is seen as low. Most rated the extent of engagement or implementation as less than 41% and the majority of these were estimated as less than 20%. This speaks to the usefulness of the related indicator (not used in this survey) that calls for monitoring the removal or mitigation of barriers to S(S)bD (Figure A4.1).

¹⁰ Basei G, Rauscher H, Jeliazkova N, Hristozov (2022). A methodology for the automatic evaluation of data quality and completeness of nanomaterials for risk assessment purposes. NANOTOXICOLOGY 2022: 16(2) 195-216 ¹¹ https://completeness-monitor.greendecision.eu/

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The responses to the question around communication (q9) suggest that there is still considerable work to be done to obtain an established system that regularly connects all key players from research, regulatory-science and policy in both formal and informal fora. All 6 respondents indicated that communication was still limited to informal communication lines and comprised communication between 2 groups at most.

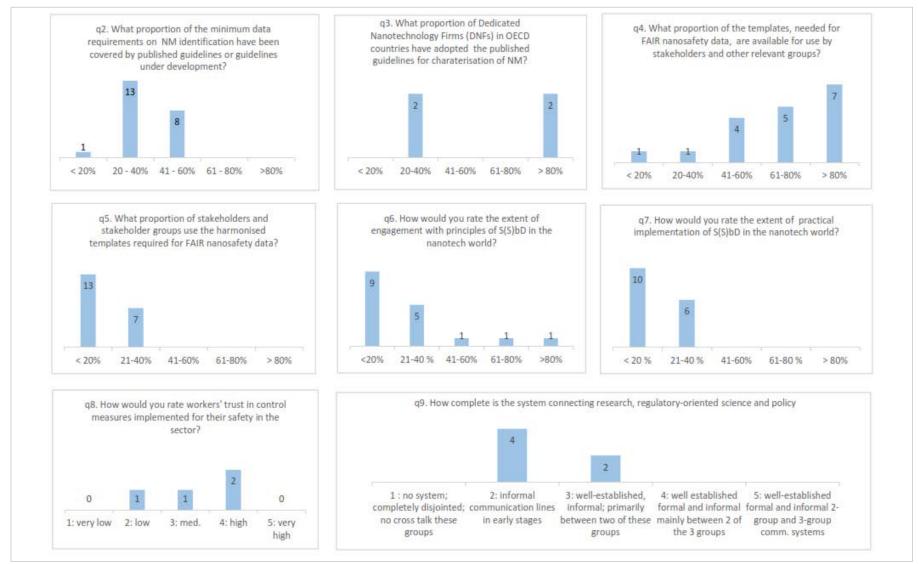


Figure A4.1: Overview of responses on four aspects of risk governance of nanomaterials (Standardisation (q2, q3), FAIR data and data quality (q4. q5), S(S)bD (q6, q7, q8), and Communication (q9)

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The current overall completeness score using the data completeness tool and updated within the last month is 5.44% (Figure 4.2). This assessment was based on completeness scores for physicochemical, toxicological and ecotoxicological characterization of 11.83%, 11.30% and 2.66% respectively, as well as exposure and environmental fate scores of 1.39% and 0%, respectively.

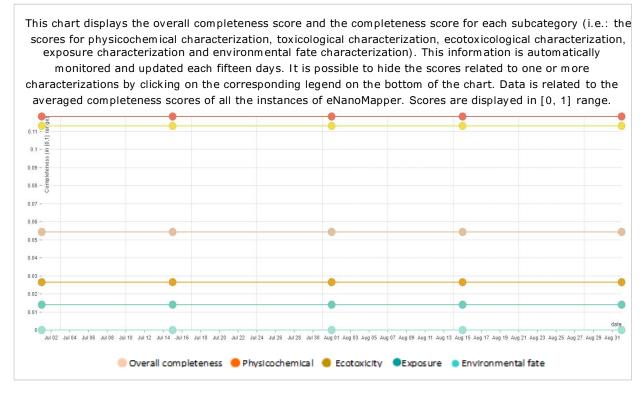
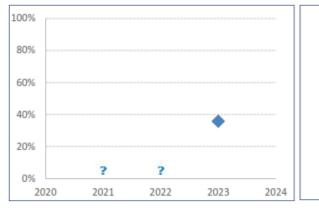


Figure A4.2: Overall completeness score

A status score that took into consideration the number of responses to each question, was calculated for each indicator and the combined individual scores together with the completeness score related to FAIR data and data quality were used to obtain an estimate of the current status of risk governance of nanomaterials. This put the overall performance of risk governance at 36% (Figure A4.3).

Conclusion: These 9 indicators represent half of the indicators of the progress monitoring system but serve to give a general idea of how they can be applied and an initial, albeit incomplete, sense of what the progress monitoring system would be able to tell us if implemented in full at regular time intervals in parallel with developments in nanotechnology. It is recommended that should this system be implemented, a full baseline evaluation should be carried out by the implementors. However, for now we have the estimate of 36% to work with.



Overall performance of risk governance of nanotechnology



Overall performance based on informal survey of experts on select indicators		
	March 2023	Target
q2 Proportion of the minimum data requirements on nanomaterial identification and characterisation that have been covered by published guidelines or are being considered by guidelines that are under development.	36%	100%
q3 Proportion of Dedicated Nanotechnology Firms (DNFs) in OECD countries that have adopted the published guidelines for identification and characterization of nanomaterials.	60%	85%
q4 Proportion of the templates needed for FAIR nanosafety data for all types of experiments and endpoints that are available for use by stakeholders and other relevant actors.	68%	100%
q5 Proportion of stakeholders & stakeholder groups that use the harmonised templates required for FAIR nanosafety data.	17%	100%
q6 How would you rate the extent of engagement with principles of S(S)bD in the nanotech world?	27%	85%
q7 How would you rate the extent of practical implementation of S(S)bD in the nanotech world?	18%	100%
q8 On a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being the least), how would you rate workers' trust in control measures implemented for their safety in the sector?	55%	100%
q9 Completeness of system developed to connect research, regulatory-oriented science and policy.	37%	100%
Completeness of hazard, exposure and physicochemical data (FAIR data and data quality)	5%	100%
Overall performance score	36%	100%

Figure A4.3: Overall performance of risk governance of nanotechnology based on 9 of the 16 indicators from the progress monitoring system