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Experiment Report Form

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Report: This is a **Preliminary Report** because data analysis is ongoing. This is a **Confidential Report** because none of the data are published.

We accomplished all of the goals described in our beamtime proposal. The results described below are exciting new observations of nanowire toxicity. In combination with associated beamtime on ID16A, and with numerous complementary laboratory studies of cytotoxicity and genotoxicity, we anticipate this work will generate a very good publication that we have begun to work towards.

Experimental Approach

We studied mouse fibroblast cells grown on a silicon nitride membrane and exposed to a low dose of silver nanowires (Ag NWs) for 24 hours. We studied Ag NW of similar mean length (9 μ m) and two diameters (30 nm and 90 nm) to test for differences in internalization and fate. The cells were washed, rapidly frozen and studied under cryogenic conditions. We identified cells containing NW by fluorescence mapping and then acquired silver XANES to identify chemical changes to the NW and to investigate silver released into the cytoplasm. **Figure 1** illustrates the analysis on one sample in which we identified and selected an internalized silver nanowire for chemical analysis.



Figure 1 Example of the data acquisition strategy. We performed elemental mapping of multiple cells and studied the chemistry of internalized nanowires.

Major Findings

We observed a substantial chemical change to internalized silver nanowires that was consistent with sulfidization reactions that occurs within the cells.