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Curriculum Vitae

Fan Zhang was born in 1995 in Yangquan, Shanxi Province, China. After completing senior school at Yangquan No.1 High School in 2013, she enrolled in Nanjing University of Information Science & Technology to study Environmental Science. In 2016, she was awarded the "China National Scholarship" (2 %) for undergraduate students. After graduating with a Bachelor's degree in 2017, She won the first prize for the "Outstanding Undergraduate Thesis" of Jiangsu Province. And then, Fan was recommended as a postgraduate candidate exempt from the admission exam, to continue her Master's study in Environmental Science and Engineering at Nanjing University of Information Science & Technology. During this period, she was mainly engaged in research on the behavior and toxicity of micro/nanoplastic particles in the freshwater environment. And in 2019 she was awarded the "China National Scholarship" (2 %) for postgraduate students. She graduated with a Master's degree in 2020 and was granted the "Outstanding Master's Thesis" award of the university. In the same year, Fan was awarded a scholarship by the "China Scholarship Council (CSC)" to continue her PhD research at the Institute of Environmental Sciences (CML) at Leiden University. Here, she joined the Ecotox team led by Prof. dr. Martina G. Vijver and Prof. dr. Willie J.G.M. Peijnenburg, focusing on the study of modelling the interactions of advanced micro- and nanoparticles with novel entities.

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Appendix

Supplementary information for Chapter 2

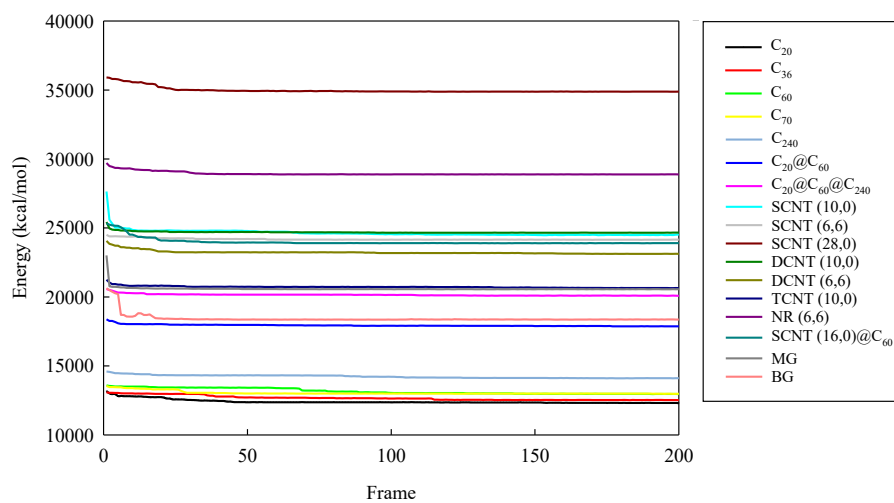


Figure S2.1. Variation of total energy of the complexes of the carbon nanoparticles with SARS-CoV-2 RNA fragment during Forcite Anneal optimization.

Table S2.1. Calculated total potential energy interaction energies (E_{int}), van der Waals interaction energies, and electrostatic interaction energies between the carbon nanoparticles (CNPs) and the SARS-CoV-2 RNA fragment (covRNA)

CNP-covRNA complex	E_{int} (kJ/mol)		
	Total potential energy	van der Waals	Electrostatic
C ₂₀ -covRNA	-137.608	-9.415	-175.137
C ₃₆ -covRNA	-108.956	-28.314	-148.972
C ₆₀ -covRNA	-79.874	-25.355	-105.241
C ₇₀ -covRNA	-96.413	-33.106	-108.117
C ₂₄₀ -covRNA	-87.358	-22.031	-198.906
C ₂₀ @C ₆₀ -covRNA	-100.055	-37.002	-146.696
C ₂₀ @C ₆₀ @C ₂₄₀ -covRNA	-70.335	-49.281	-150.333
SCNT (10,0)-covRNA	-185.127	-26.885	-239.362
SCNT (6,6)-covRNA	-153.478	-41.943	-197.572
SCNT (28,0)-covRNA	-489.113	-58.486	-410.306
DCNT (10,0)-covRNA	-244.928	-56.431	-274.291
DCNT (6,6)-covRNA	-261.953	-61.665	-253.979
TCNT (10,0)-covRNA	-298.677	-65.354	-265.589
NR (6,6)-covRNA	-195.360	-49.726	-135.640
SCNT (16,0)@C ₆₀ -covRNA	-448.289	-53.492	-400.611
MG-covRNA	-142.530	-70.631	-136.654
BG-covRNA	-141.717	-51.850	-161.298

Table S2.2. OPLS regression models obtained from the fake pool data of the interaction energies derived from the total potential energy ^a

Fullerenes		CNTs and graphenes		Fullerenes, CNTs, and graphenes	
data 1	data 2	data 3	data 4	data 5	data 6
-187	-116	-185.127	-334	-137.608	-71
-108.956	-119	-153.478	-124	-108.956	-156
-79.874	-135	-426	-215	-79.874	-288
-96.413	-43	-244.928	-487	-96.413	-486
-87.358	-53	-261.953	-489	-87.358	-121
-100.055	-36	-298.677	-362	-100.055	-167
-70.335	-73	-195.360	-433	-70.335	-230
		-448.289	-157	-185.127	-447
		-142.530	-412	-153.478	-473
		-141.717	-170	-489.113	-339
				-244.928	-82
				-469	-364
				-298.677	-226
				-195.360	-415
				-448.289	-168
				-142.530	-196
				-141.717	-291
Fullerenes					
Model 1	$E_{\text{int}} = -22.105 - 0.028 \cdot \text{SSA}$				
	$n = 7, R^2 = 0.593, \text{RMSE} = 0.698, Q^2_{\text{CUM}} = 0.247$				
Model 2	$E_{\text{int}} = -10.341 - 0.024 \cdot \text{SSA}$				
	$n = 7, R^2 = 0.411, \text{RMSE} = 0.841, Q^2_{\text{CUM}} = 0.325$				
CNTs and graphenes					
Model 3	$E_{\text{int}} = -304.189 - 0.606 \cdot \text{OSA} + 0.035 \cdot \text{SDeg}$				
	$n = 10, R^2 = 0.795, \text{RMSE} = 0.480, Q^2_{\text{CUM}} = 0.614$				
Model 4	$E_{\text{int}} = -479.223 + 0.833 \cdot \text{OSA} + 0.019 \cdot \text{SDeg}$				
	$n = 10, R^2 = 0.255, \text{RMSE} = 0.915, Q^2_{\text{CUM}} = 0.073$				
Fullerenes, CNTs, and graphenes					
Model 5	$E_{\text{int}} = -92.390 - 0.006 \cdot M_W + 0.003 \cdot \text{SDeg}$				
	$n = 17, R^2 = 0.614, \text{RMSE} = 0.642, Q^2_{\text{CUM}} = 0.577$				
Model 6	$E_{\text{int}} = -197.742 - 0.01 \cdot M_W - 0.018 \cdot \text{SDeg}$				
	$n = 17, R^2 = 0.191, \text{RMSE} = 0.929, Q^2_{\text{CUM}} = 0.044$				

^a The pseudo-random numbers of the interaction energies derived from the total potential energy are shown in red.

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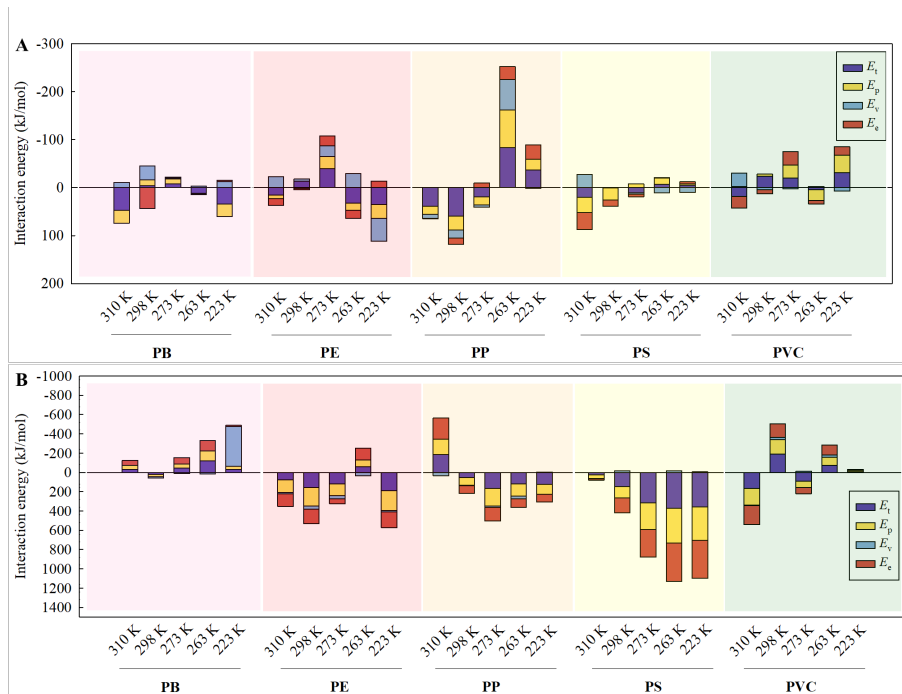


Figure S3.1. Interaction energies of the five types of MPs with the SARS-CoV-1 RNA fragment in vacuum (A) and in water (B) at different temperatures. E_t : interaction energy derived from total energy, E_p : interaction energy derived from potential energy, E_v : interaction energy derived from van der Waals energy, and E_e : interaction energy derived from electrostatic energy.

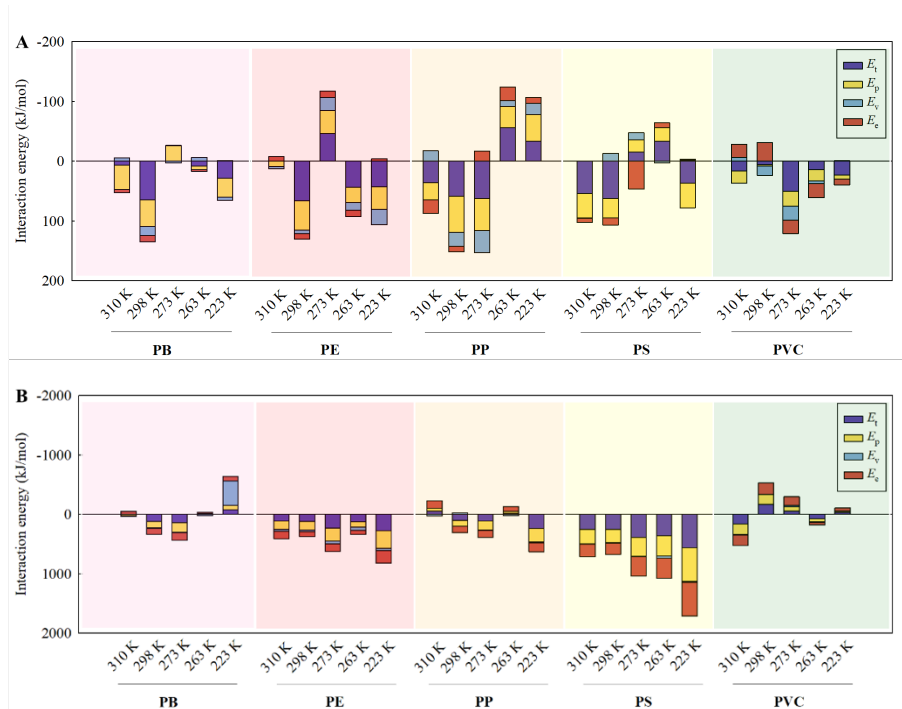


Figure S3.2. Interaction energies of the five types of MPs with the HBV RNA fragment in vacuum (A) and in water (B) at different temperatures. E_t : interaction energy derived from total energy, E_p : interaction energy derived from potential energy, E_v : interaction energy derived from van der Waals energy, and E_e : interaction energy derived from electrostatic energy.

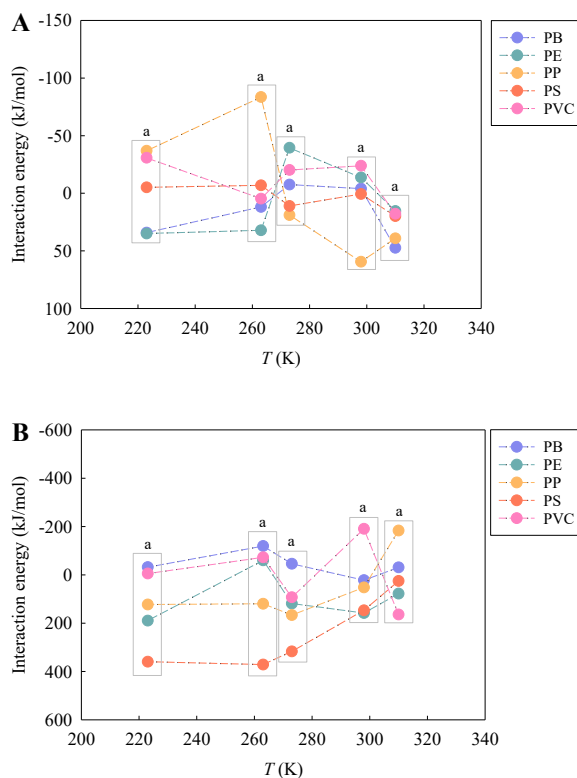


Figure S3.3. Variation of the interaction energies derived from the total energies of the five types of MPs with the SARS-CoV-1 RNA fragment in vacuum (A) and in water (B) with the studied temperatures (223, 263, 273, 298, and 310 K). Different letters represent statistically significant differences between the treatments ($p < 0.05$).

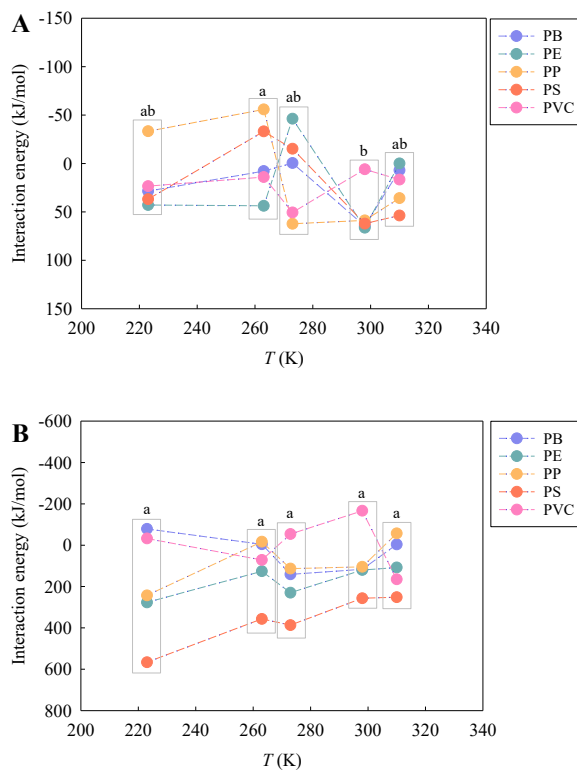


Figure S3.4. Variation of the interaction energies derived from the total energies of the five types of MPs with the HBV RNA fragment in vacuum (A) and in water (B) with the studied temperatures (223, 263, 273, 298, and 310 K). Different letters represent statistically significant differences between the treatments ($p < 0.05$).

Table S3.1. *Calculated molecular parameters of the MP monomers.*

Monomers	Volume (nm³)	Polar surface area (nm²)	Molecular topological index
PB	0.140	1.414	104
PE	0.084	0.968	16
PP	0.112	1.192	48
PS	0.194	1.833	576
PVC	0.102	1.125	36

Table S3.2. Correlation coefficients between the E_{int} values derived from the total energies between the MPs and SARS-CoV-1 RNA fragment and the molecular parameters of the MP monomers ^a.

Correlation model	Temperature (K)	Volume (nm ³)		Polar surface area (nm ²)		Molecular topological index	
		<i>n</i> = 5	<i>n</i> = 4	<i>n</i> = 5	<i>n</i> = 4	<i>n</i> = 5	<i>n</i> = 4
E_{int} in vacuum	310	0.136	0.918	0.137	0.907	0.194	0.890
	298	0.055	0.212	0.049	0.197	0.036	0.107
	273	0.627	0.569	0.628	0.567	0.489	0.445
	263	0.076	0.195	0.076	0.192	0.011	0.054
	223	0.013	0.014	0.022	0.084	0.035	0.259
E_{int} in water	310	0.151	0.439	0.144	0.418	0.011	0.370
	298	0.308	0.177	0.291	0.211	0.418	0.102
	273	0.493	0.735	0.488	0.736	0.722	0.822
	263	0.751	0.171	0.746	0.179	0.867	0.294
	223	0.521	0.739	0.511	0.761	0.754	0.724

^a The correlation was tested for five types (*n* = 5) of MPs (PB, PE, PP, PS, and PVC)/four types (*n* = 4) of MPs (PB, PE, PP, and PVC) and the SARS-CoV-1 RNA fragment; The magnitude of correlation coefficient (*R*) reflects the degree of correlation between the E_{int} and molecular parameter values; The bold numbers indicate high values of the correlation coefficients (*R* > 0.800).

Table S3.3. Correlation coefficients between the E_{int} values derived from the total energies between the MPs and HBV RNA fragment and the molecular parameters of the MP monomers ^a.

Correlation model	Temperature (K)	Volume (nm ³)		Polar surface area (nm ²)		Molecular topological index	
		<i>n</i> = 5	<i>n</i> = 4	<i>n</i> = 5	<i>n</i> = 4	<i>n</i> = 5	<i>n</i> = 4
E_{int} in vacuum	310	0.744	0.162	0.744	0.169	0.784	0.546
	298	0.289	0.190	0.273	0.155	0.261	0.262
	273	0.155	0.268	0.144	0.288	0.294	0.009
	263	0.519	0.382	0.519	0.380	0.428	0.747
	223	0.186	0.204	0.185	0.202	0.303	0.679
E_{int} in water	310	0.429	0.595	0.432	0.574	0.652	0.007
	298	0.620	0.203	0.606	0.169	0.640	0.258
	273	0.649	0.106	0.636	0.140	0.765	0.114
	263	0.663	0.834	0.659	0.831	0.876	0.245
	223	0.507	0.668	0.496	0.689	0.729	0.062

^a The correlation was tested for five types (*n* = 5) of MPs (PB, PE, PP, PS, and PVC)/four types (*n* = 4) of MPs (PB, PE, PP, and PVC) and the HBV RNA fragment; The magnitude of correlation coefficient (*R*) reflects the degree of correlation between the E_{int} and molecular parameter values; The bold numbers indicate high values of the correlation coefficients (*R* > 0.800).

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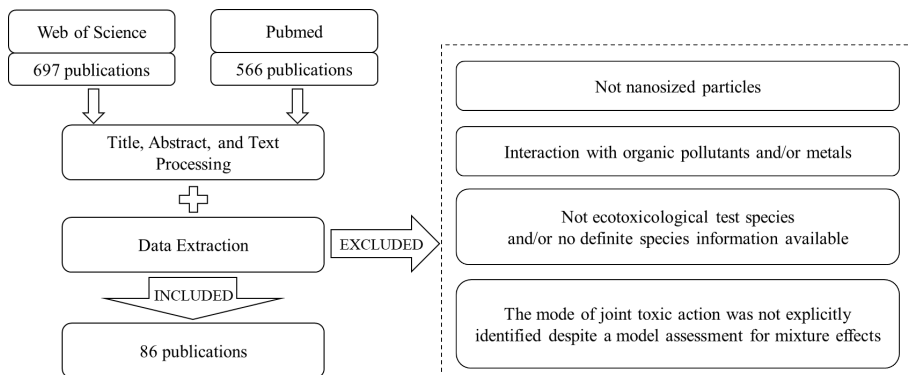


Figure S4.1. Flowchart showing the decision process for inclusion and exclusion of literature on the ecotoxicity of mixtures of nanomaterials, identified using the ISI Web of Knowledge and PubMed search.

Table S4.1. List of studies on the joint toxicological effects of multiple metal-based engineered nanoparticles (ENPs) on ecological species ^a

ENPs Types of mixtures	Ecological species	Test concentrations	Toxicity endpoints	Types of joint interactions	References
Algae					
nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nTiO ₂ (rutile)	<i>Chlorella</i> sp.	nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nTiO ₂ (rutile): 0.25+0.25, 0.25+0.5, and 0.5+0.5 mg/L	Cell viability, chlorophyll content, uptake/internalization, cell surface morphology, ultra-structural changes, DNA damage, and ROS generation	Antagonistic	Iswarya et al., 2015
		nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nTiO ₂ (rutile): 0.25+1, 0.5+0.25, 0.5+1, 1+0.25, 1+0.5, and 1+1 mg/L		Additive	
nSiO ₂ + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Scenedesmus obliquus</i>	nSiO ₂ : 1 µg/L and 1 mg/L nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 1 µg/L and 1 mg/L nZrO ₂ : 1 µg/L and 1 mg/L Mixtures (1:1 and 1:1:1 ratios)	Chlorophyll content, intracellular levels of ROS, mitochondrial membrane potential, permeability of cell membrane, antioxidant activities, and cell surface morphology	n.d.	Liu et al., 2018
nSiO ₂ + nZrO ₂				n.d.	
nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile) + nZrO ₂				n.d.	
nSiO ₂ + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile) + nZrO ₂				Synergistic	
nCdS + nZnS	<i>Heterosigma akashiwo</i>	nCdS: 12 mg/L nSiO ₂ (with no inclusions): 143.5 mg/L nSiO ₂ (with metal inclusions): 2.1 mg/L nTiO ₂ (anatase): 79.5 mg/L nZnS: 53 mg/L	Growth inhibition, esterase activity, membrane potential, ROS generation, and cell size	Antagonistic	Pikula et al., 2022
nCdS + nTiO ₂ (anatase)				Synergistic	
nCdS+ nSiO ₂ (with no inclusions)				Synergistic	
nCdS + nSiO ₂ (with metal inclusions)				Antagonistic	

nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nZnS				Synergistic	
nSiO ₂ (with no inclusions) + nZnS				Synergistic	
nSiO ₂ (with metal inclusions) + nZnS				Antagonistic	
nSiO ₂ (with no inclusions) + nTiO ₂ (anatase)				Synergistic	
nSiO ₂ (with metal inclusions) + nTiO ₂ (anatase)				Additive	
nSiO ₂ (with no inclusions) + nSiO ₂ (with metal inclusions)				Additive	
nTiO ₂ (Spherical, anatase@rutile) + nTiO ₂ (Tubular)	<i>Scenedesmus obliquus</i>	nTiO ₂ (Spherical, anatase@rutile) + nTiO ₂ (Tubular): 2.33+13.16 and 19.75+211.26 mg/L	Growth inhibition and intracellular ROS generation	Additive	Wang et al., 2020
	<i>Chlorella pyrenoidosa</i>	nTiO ₂ (Spherical, anatase@rutile) + nTiO ₂ (Tubular): 0.13+0.002 and 5.38+4.87 mg/L		Additive	
				Synergistic	
nCuO + nZnO	<i>Scenedesmus obliquus</i>	nCuO: 2.1 µg Cu/L-4.3 mg Cu/L nZnO: 6.6 µg Zn/L-33.1 mg Zn/L Mixtures: equal toxic ratio	Growth inhibition	Additive	Ye et al., 2017
Bacteria					
nAg + nPt	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	nAg + nPt: 30+70, 50+50, and 70+30 wt%	Antimicrobial activity	n.d.	Breisch et al., 2020
	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>				
nCuO + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	nCuO + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 0.1+2, 0.2+2, 0.3+2, and 0.4+2 mg/L	Bacterial ATP levels, cell membrane integrity, and ROS production	Synergistic	Chen et al., 2020
				Slight additive	
nAg + nCuO	Nitrifying bacteria	The concentration of each	Nitrification inhibition and	Additive	Choi and Hu, 2009

nAg + nTiO ₂ (anatase)		metallic/oxide nanoparticles was 1 mg/L	intracellular ROS concentrations	Additive	
nAg + nZnO				Antagonistic	
nAg + nCuO + nTiO ₂ (anatase)				Additive	
nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nZnO	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	nTiO ₂ (anatase):1, 10, 100, and 1000 mg/L nZnO:1, 10, 100, and 1000 mg/L Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Growth reduction and cell wall damage	Antagonistic	Srivastava and Kumar, 2017
nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile) + nZnO	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile) + nZnO: 10+1 and 10+25 mg/L	ATP levels, cell membrane integrity, ROS production, and nanoparticle/bacterial surface interactions	Antagonistic	Tong et al., 2015
	<i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i>				
nAg + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	nAg: 5, 10, 20, 30, and 40 µg/L nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 1 and 10 mg/L	ATP levels	n.d. (under dark)	Wilke et al., 2016
nAg + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	nAg: 5, 10, 20, and 30 µg/L nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 1 and 2 or 10 mg/L	ATP levels, cell membrane integrity, and ROS production	Synergistic (under light)	Wilke et al., 2018
nCeO ₂ + nZnO	<i>Nitrosomonas europaea</i>	nCeO ₂ + nZnO: 1+10, 10+10, and 50+10 mg/L	Cell size, charge, morphology, density, membrane integrity, ammonia removal rate, amoA gene expression, and AMO activity	Synergistic	Yu et al., 2016a
nCeO ₂ + nTiO ₂ (anatase)		nCeO ₂ + nTiO ₂ (anatase): 50+1, 50+10, and 50+50 mg/L		Antagonistic	

nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nZnO	<i>Nitrosomonas europaea</i>	nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nZnO: 1+10, 10+10, and 50+10 mg/L	Cell size, charge, morphology, density, membrane integrity, ammonia removal rate, AMO activity, and transcriptional response	Antagonistic	Yu et al., 2016b
nAg + nCu	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	40 mL of nAg and 40 mL of nCu were separately synthesized in 3% (w/v) of chitosan and then mixed together	Bacterial growth inhibition	n.d.	Zain et al., 2014
	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>				
nCuO + nZn	<i>Vibrio fischeri</i>	nCu (<i>EC</i> ₅₀): 4.1 mg/L nZn (<i>EC</i> ₅₀): 20.5 mg/L nCuO (<i>EC</i> ₅₀): 118.7 mg/L nZnO (<i>EC</i> ₅₀): 11.6 mg/L Equitoxic binary mixtures of nanoparticles were prepared based on the <i>EC</i> ₅₀ values of individual nanoparticles to determine their joint effects	Bioluminescence inhibition	Synergistic	Zhang et al., 2020
nCuO + nZnO				Synergistic	
nCu + nZn				Synergistic	
nCu + nCuO				Antagonistic	
nCu + nZnO				Antagonistic	
nZn + nZnO				Additive	
Daphnia					
nAg + nZnO	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	nAg: 0.05 to 0.25 mg-Ag/L and nZnO: 0.5 to 1.3 mg-Zn/L for immobilization tests; Combined exposures: based on a full factorial design nAg: 0.095 to 0.5 mg-Ag/L and nZnO: 0.1 to 0.4 mg-Zn/L for reproduction tests; Combined exposures: a fixed ray design based on individual toxic units	Immobilization and reproduction	Synergistic	Azevedo et al., 2017
				Antagonistic	

nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nTiO ₂ (rutile)	<i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i>	nTiO ₂ (anatase): 4.63, 9.26, 13.89, 18.52, 23.15, 27.78, and 32.41 mg/L nTiO ₂ (rutile): 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36, and 42 mg/L Mixtures: equal toxic proportions	Mortality and biouptake	Antagonistic (under visible irradiation)	Iswarya et al., 2016
		nTiO ₂ (anatase): 2.82, 5.64, 8.46, 11.28, 14.10, 16.92, and 19.74 mg/L nTiO ₂ (rutile): 2.97, 5.94, 8.91, 11.88, 14.85, 17.82, and 20.79 mg/L Mixtures: equal toxic proportions		Additive (under UV-A irradiation)	
nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nTiO ₂ (rutile)	<i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i>	Mixtures: 75, 300, and 1200 µM the mixtures treated algal diet In case of a binary mixture, the equal concentration of anatase and rutile nanoparticles forms the total concentration of binary mixture	Mortality, ultra-structural deformities, bioaccumulation, and biomagnification	Antagonistic (under visible irradiation)	Iswarya et al., 2018
				Antagonistic (under UV-A irradiation)	
nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nTiO ₂ (rutile)	<i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i>	Mixtures: 75, 150, 300, 600, and 1200 µM the mixtures treated algal diet The binary mixture comprises an equal concentration of rutile and anatase nanoparticles	Mortality and oxidative stress (MDA, CAT, and GSH)	Synergistic (lower concentration, under visible irradiation)	Iswarya et al., 2019
				Additive (higher concentration, under visible irradiation)	
				Additive (lower concentration, under UV-A irradiation)	
				Antagonistic (higher concentration, under UV-A irradiation)	

nAg + nZnO	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	nAg: 1-25 µg/L and nZnO: 0.25-5 mg/L	Immobilization and feeding inhibition	Synergistic	Lopes et al., 2016
nCu + nCr	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	Joint toxicity of binary mixtures was determined at an equal concentration (1:1), and the total concentrations were 0.4, 2, 10, 50, and 100 µg/L	Reproduction and growth, rates of filtration and ingestion, as well as changes in enzyme activities: AChE, SOD, CAT, and GST	More-than-additive	Lu et al., 2017
nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nTiO ₂ (rutile)	<i>Daphnia similis</i>	70:30 anatase: rutile ratio (w/w) 1 to 100 mg/L TiO ₂	Immobilization	n.d.	Marccone et al., 2012
nCu + nZnO	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	nCu + nZnO: 0.11 mg Cu/L+1.29 mg Zn/L nCu + nZnO: 0.40 mg Cu/L+4.01 mg Zn/L	Mortality and bioaccumulation	Additive	Yu et al., 2022
				More-than-additive	
nCuO + nZnO	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	Binary mixtures were also tested according to an equiconcentration ratio of 1:1 and the total exposure concentrations were 0.0004, 0.002, 0.01, 0.05, and 0.25 mg/L	Immobilization, mortality, reproduction (fecundity) and growth, as well as filtration and ingestion rates	Synergistic	Zhao et al., 2012
				Partial additive	
Fish					
nAg + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	nAg: 0.05, 0.10, 0.20, 0.30, 0.40, 0.50, 0.60, and 0.70 mg/L for acute toxicity tests and nAg: 0.05 and 0.1 mg/L for chronic toxicity tests nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 1 mg/L	Mortality, bioaccumulation, oxidative stress (SOD, CAT, and GST), and gill histopathology	Antagonistic	Haghighat et al., 2021
				Synergistic	
				Additive	
nCu + nZnO	<i>Poeciliopsis lucida</i>	nCu: 0.39, 0.78, 1.56, 3.13, 6.25, 12.5, and 25 µg/mL nZnO: 6.25 µg/mL	Cell viability, cell morphology, and metal internalization	n.d.	Hernández-Moreno et al., 2016
nCu + nZnO	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	nCu: 0.0425, 0.085, 0.17, and 0.34	Survival, metal internalization,	n.d.	Hernández-Moreno

		mg/L nZnO: 1.25 mg/L	and oxidative stress (EROD activity, GST activity, and GSH/GSSG ratio)		et al., 2019
nTiO ₂ (spherical, anatase) + nZnO (stick-shaped)	<i>Danio rerio</i>	nTiO ₂ (spherical, anatase): 1.5, 3, 6, 12, and 24 mg Ti/L nZnO: 2, 4, 8, 16, and 32 mg Zn/L	Mortality and hatching rate	Antagonistic	Hua et al., 2016
nCeO ₂ + nCuO	Zebrafish embryos	nCeO ₂ : 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, and 50 µg/mL nCuO: 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, and 50 µg/mL Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Mortality rate, hatching rate, malformations, oxidative stress genes, CAT enzyme activity, DNA damage, and apoptosis and necrosis	n.d.	Kaur et al., 2019
nCuO + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	nCuO + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 2.5+10 and 5.0+10 mg/L	Oxidative stress biomarkers in the liver, brain, and gills and acetylcholinesterase activity (a biomarker that indicates neurotoxicity) in the brain and muscle, as well as induce histopathological alterations in the gills, liver and retina	n.d.	Mansouri et al., 2016
nCuO + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	nCuO + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 2.5+10 and 5.0+10 mg/L	Histopathological anomalies of gill and intestine tissues in <i>C. carpio</i>	Synergistic	Mansouri et al., 2017
nTiO ₂ + nZnO	<i>Prochilodus lineatus</i>	nTiO ₂ + nZnO: 1+1 µg/L	Biochemical responses (AChE activity, protein carbonylation, lipid peroxidation, and non-protein thiols) and injuries in organs (histological and ultra-structural analyses)	n.d.	Miranda et al., 2016
nAg + nCuO	<i>Clarias gariepinus</i>	nCuO: 6.25, 12.5, 25, 50, and 100 mg/L nAg: 6.25, 12.5, 25, 50, and 100 mg/L Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Frequency of micronucleus, haematology, histopathology (skin, gills and liver), and hepatic oxidative stress analysis (MDA, reduced GSH, SOD, and	Antagonistic	Ogunsuyi et al., 2019

			CAT)	Synergistic	
nCuO + nCeO ₂	<i>Carassius auratus</i>	20, 40, 80, 160, and 320 mg/L. The binary and ternary mixtures were tested at an equi-concentration ratio of 1:1 or 1:1:1 (W/V)	AChE activity, Na ⁺ /K ⁺ -ATPase activity, SOD activity, and CAT activity	Antagonistic	Xia et al., 2013
nCuO + nZnO				Synergistic	
nCeO ₂ + nZnO				Antagonistic	
nCeO ₂ + nCuO + nZnO				Additive	
Fungi					
nAg + nMoS ₂ (chitosan functionalization)	<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	nAg: 5, 10, 20, 30, and 40 µg/L nMoS ₂ (chitosan functionalization): 1 and 10 mg/L	Oxidative stress (intracellular ROS generation), membrane stress (intracellular lactate dehydrogenase activity), and metabolic activities	Synergistic	Yang et al., 2018
Insects					
nCdO + nPbO	<i>Apis mellifera</i>	nCdO: 0.01 mg/mL nPbO: 0.65 mg/mL	Content of nCdO and nPbO in midgut tissues, survival, morphological assessment of midgut tissues, ultrastructure observations, and incidence of apoptosis and necrosis of midgut epithelia	Antagonistic	Dabour et al., 2019
nZn + nCu	<i>Folsomia candida</i>	nZn: nCu: 300+300 mg/kg	Survival and reproduction	Antagonistic	Joško et al., 2022
nZnO + nCuO		nZnO: nCuO: 300+300 mg/kg		Synergistic	
Plants					
nCo + nFe + nNi	<i>Lactuca sativa</i>	Influent: 2,700 mg nCo + 50,000 mg nFe + 6,250 mg nNi; DI Water 123 kg	Germination and growth	n.d.	Hassanein et al., 2021
nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nZnO	<i>Vigna angularis</i>	nTiO ₂ (anatase): 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, and 200 µg/mL nZnO: 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, and 200 µg/mL Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Seed germination, root/shoot length, total chlorophyll content, carotenoids and lipid peroxidation, oxidative stress and antioxidant enzyme activity,	n.d.	Jahan et al., 2018

			kinetic uptake and transport		
nCuO + nZnO	<i>Hordeum vulgare</i>	nCuO: 300 mg Cu/kg nZnO: 300 mg Zn/kg Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Biomass, plant mineral composition as well as expression of genes regulating metal homeostasis (ZIP1,3,6,8,10,14, RAN1, PAA1,2, MTP1, COPT5) and detoxification (MT1-3)	n.d.	Joško et al., 2021
nCuO + nZnO nCuO + nTiO ₂ nCuO + nCr ₂ O ₃ nCuO + nFe ₂ O ₃ nZnO + nTiO ₂ nZnO + nCr ₂ O ₃ nZnO + nFe ₂ O ₃	<i>Lepidium sativum</i>	Concentration of each nanoparticles was set to be 100 mg/L Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Seed germination, root growth inhibition rates, and the external and internal surface area of root	Antagonistic	Joško et al., 2017
	<i>Linum utisassimum</i>				
	<i>Cucumis sativus</i>				
	<i>Triticum aestivum</i>				
nCdO + nCuO	<i>Vigna radiata</i>	0.1, 1, and 10 mg/L Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Germination percent, relative germination rate, and metal accumulations	n.d.	Jung et al., 2020
nCuO + nZnO nCuO + nNiO nZnO + nNiO	<i>Lactuca sativa</i>	nCuO: 0.06 and 0.12 mg/L nZnO: 0.12 and 0.25 mg/L nNiO: 0.15 and 0.3 mg/L	Root and shoot growth	Additive	Kong et al., 2021
	<i>Raphanus sativus</i>	nCuO: 0.09 and 0.18 mg/L nZnO: 0.31 and 0.62 mg/L nNiO: 0.71 and 1.42 mg/L			
nCu + nZnO	<i>Lactuca sativa</i>	nCu: 0.10 to 0.80 mg/L nZnO: 0.50 to 50.00 mg/L	Relative root elongation rate	Antagonistic	Liu et al., 2016
nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nTiO ₂ (rutile)	<i>Pisum sativum</i>	800 mg of TiO ₂ per kg of soil	TiO ₂ particles' entry in the root	n.d.	Muccifora et al.,

		Mixture of anatase and rutile nTiO ₂ : 1:1 ratio	system, bioaccumulation, relative distribution, and localization, as well as the main crystalline form preferentially absorbed and their effect in cells ultrastructure of plant roots		2021
nCuO + nZnO	<i>Spinacia oleracea</i>	nCuO: 10, 100, and 1000 mg/L nZnO: 10, 100, and 1000 mg/L Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Root length, shoot length, total weight, chlorophyll content, carotenoid content, and ion content of <i>S. oleracea</i> plants	n.d.	Singh and Kumar, 2016
nCuO + nZnO	<i>Raphanus sativus</i>	nCuO: 10, 100, and 1000 mg/kg nZnO: 10, 100, and 1000 mg/kg Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Seed germination (root length, shoot length, and fresh weight) and metal uptake	Antagonistic	Singh and Kumar, 2018
nCuO + nZnO	<i>Raphanus sativus</i>	nCuO: 0.1, 1, 10, 100, and 1000 mg/L nZnO: 0.1, 1, 10, 100, and 1000 mg/L Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Seed germination (root length, shoot length, and fresh weight) and metal uptake	Antagonistic	Singh and Kumar, 2019
nCuO + nZnO	<i>Spinacia oleracea</i>	nCuO + nZnO: $1.2 \times 10^{-4} + 1.2 \times 10^{-4}$, $1.2 \times 10^{-3} + 1.2 \times 10^{-3}$, $1.2 \times 10^{-2} + 1.2 \times 10^{-2}$ mol/kg of soil	Maturity, plant fresh weight, root length, and metal uptake	Additive	Singh and Kumar, 2020a
nAg ₂ O + nTiO ₂ (anatase)	<i>Spinacia oleracea</i>	nAg ₂ O: 1 and 10 mg/kg nTiO ₂ (anatase): 1 and 10 mg/kg Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Plant physiology and development (root length, shoot length, and fresh weight), total chlorophyll and carotenoid contents, and metal uptake	Additive	Singh and Kumar, 2020b
nCeO ₂ + nZnO	<i>Pisum sativum</i>	Ce: 100 and 200 mg/L Zn: 100 and 200 mg/L Mixtures (1:1 ratio)	Plant growth (root and stem lengths and fresh weight), Ce and Zn concentrations in roots and shoots, photosynthesis pigments (contents of chlorophyll a, chlorophyll b, and carotenoids), and photosynthetic parameters (leaf net photosynthesis, sub-stomatal CO ₂)	n.d.	Skiba et al., 2021

			concentration, transpiration, stomatal conductance, photosynthetic water use efficiency, and photosynthetic CO ₂ response curve		
nCdO + nCuO	<i>Vigna radiata</i>	nCdO + nCuO: 1+1, 10+10, and 100+100 mg/kg	Seed germination, plant growth, and metal accumulation	Antagonistic	Subpiramaniyam et al., 2021

^a N.d. = not determined. AChE – acetylcholinesterase, AMO – ammonia monooxygenase, ATP – adenosine triphosphate, ATPase – adenosine triphosphatase, CAT – catalase, COX – cyclooxygenase, EROD – ethoxyresorufin-O-deethylase, GSH – glutathione, GSSG – oxidized glutathione, GST – glutathione S-transferase, LPO – lipid peroxidation, MDA malondialdehyde, nMoS₂ – molybdenum disulfide nanosheets, ROS – reactive oxygen species, SOD – superoxide dismutase.

For presentation purposes, nSiO₂ (with metal inclusions) is shortened to nSiO₂(m), nTiO₂ (anatase) is shortened to nTiO₂(a), nTiO₂ (anatase@rutile) is shortened to nTiO₂(a@r), nTiO₂ (rutile) is shortened to nTiO₂(r).

Table S4.2. List of studies on the joint toxicological effects of multiple engineered nanoparticles (ENPs) comprising of non-metal-based components on ecological species^a

ENPs Types of mixtures	Ecological species	Test concentrations	Toxicity endpoints	Types of joint interactions	References
nPS + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Scenedesmus obliquus</i>	nPS: 1 mg/L nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 0.025, 0.25, and 2.5 mg/L	Cell viability, morphological changes, oxidative stress (total ROS, superoxide radical, hydroxyl radical), antioxidant activity, photosynthetic efficiency, and esterase activity	Antagonistic Additive	Das et al., 2022
nPS + nZnO	<i>Ctenopharyngodon idella</i>	nPS: 760 µg/L nZnO: 760 µg/L	Behavioral, biochemical (nitric oxide dosage, TBARS, hydrogen peroxide, total glutathione content, DPPH radicals' scavenging, SOD, and AChE activity, nutritional status), and genotoxic biomarkers	No observed antagonistic, synergistic or additive effect	Estrela et al., 2021
MWCNTs + nCuO	<i>Tetrademus obliquus</i>	MWCNTs: 1, 10, and 100 mg/L nCuO: 2 and 200 mg/L	Growth inhibition, membrane damage, physical damage, oxidative stress (ROS level, SOD, and MDA), and internalization of Cu	n.d.	Fang et al., 2022
nSe + nZnO	Zebra fish (<i>D. rerio</i>)	nSe + nZnO (2 mg/kg each)	Survivability, growth performance parameters, intracellular ROS, gene expression, and fecundity and development	Synergetic	Fasil et al., 2021
MWCNTs + nZnO	<i>Brassica rapa</i>	MWCNTs: 10 and 100 mg/L nZnO: 10, 50, and 100 mg/L	The length of roots and stems, chlorophyll content, oxidative stress (relative ROS, soluble sugar, and MDA contents), antioxidant enzyme activity (CAT, POD, and SOD), metal element content, and root scanning electron microscopy	Synergetic	Hong et al., 2022

nPS + nAg	<i>Chlamydomonas reinhardtii</i>	nAg: 3, 10, 30, 100, and 200 µg/L nPS: 3 and 30 mg C/L	Cell-specific growth rate and subcellular distributions	Synergistic	Huang et al., 2019
	<i>Ochromonas danica</i>	nAg: 10, 30, 100, 200, and 300 µg/L nPS: 3 and 30 mg C/L			
nPS + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Chlorella</i> sp.	nPS, COOH-nPS, and NH ₂ -nPS: 5 mg/L nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile): 0.25, 0.5, and 1 mg/L	Cell viability, oxidative stress (total ROS, superoxide and hydroxyl radical, CAT and SOD, and MDA), maximum quantum yield of PS II, and esterase activity	Antagonistic	Natarajan et al., 2022
COOH-nPS + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)					
NH ₂ -nPS + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)					
GNs + nZnO	<i>Capoeta fusca</i>	GNs + nZnO: 6.5+0.04 and 6.5+0.09 mg/L	Bioconcentration (uptake and elimination)	n.d.	Sayadi et al., 2021
MLGs + nZnO	<i>Capoeta fusca</i>	MLGs: 6.5 mg/L nZnO: 0.1, 0.4, 0.9, 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 mg/L for acute toxicity test and nZnO: 0.09 mg/L for behavioural assay and histopathology	Lethality, histopathological and behavioral changes	Synergistic	Sayadi et al., 2022
				Antagonistic	
GO + nZnO	<i>Scenedesmus obliquus</i>	GO: 0.5-50 mg/L nZnO: 0.01-50 mg/L Mixture ratios: EC ₁₀ and EC ₅₀ of each component	Growth inhibition rate and total ROS level	Additive	Ye et al., 2018
	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	GO: 1-80 mg/L nZnO: 0.01-0.4 mg/L Mixture ratios: EC ₁₀ and EC ₅₀ of each component	Immobilization rate and total ROS level	Additive	
	<i>Danio rerio</i>	GO: 20-160 mg/L nZnO: 2-20 mg/L Mixture ratios: LC ₁₀ and LC ₅₀ of each component	Lethality and total ROS level	Antagonistic	

CNCs + nZnO	<i>Eremosphaera viridis</i>	CNCs: 100 mg/L nZnO: 1, 5, and 10 mg/L	Dry weight, chlorophyll a, chlorophyll b, ROS level, CAT activity, MDA content, cellular superficial- and ultra-structures, elemental distribution as well as proteins and lipids in a single algal cell	n.d.	Yin et al., 2022
GNs + nZrO ₂	<i>Chlorella pyrenoidosa</i>	GNs: 0.1 and 1 mg/L nZrO ₂ : 1, 5, 10, 17.5, 25, and 50 mg/L GNs + nZrO ₂ : 1+EC ₁₀ and 1+EC ₅₀ mg/L	Growth inhibition, intracellular levels of ROS, mitochondrial membrane potential, permeability of cell membrane, and cellular superficial- and ultra-structures	Synergistic	Wang et al., 2021
rGO + nZrO ₂		rGO: 0.1 and 1 mg/L nZrO ₂ : 1, 5, 10, 17.5, 25, and 50 mg/L rGO + nZrO ₂ : 1+EC ₁₀ and 1+EC ₅₀ mg/L		Synergistic	
MWCNTs + nPS	<i>Microcystis aeruginosa</i>	MWCNTs: 5, 10, 20, and 50 mg/L nPS: 5, 10, 20, and 50 mg/L	Growth (cell density), photosynthesis (chlorophyll a), total protein, antioxidant responses (SOD and MDA), membrane damage, genetic material damage, and metabolic process	Antagonistic	Zhang et al., 2022
GO + nAl ₂ O ₃	<i>Chlorella pyrenoidosa</i>	GO: 25 mg/L nAl ₂ O ₃ : 50, 100, 150, 300, 450, and 600 mg/L	Growth inhibition, membrane damage, oxidative stress, and physical damage	n.d.	Zhao et al., 2018
GQDs + nZnO	<i>Gymnodinium</i>	GQDs + nZnO: 1+1, 20+5, and 20+20 mg/L	Cell density, specific growth rates, total intracellular ROS, enzyme activities (SOD and ATPase), and surface interaction of nanoparticles and algal cells	Antagonistic	Zhu et al., 2022

^a N.d. = not determined. AChE – acetylcholinesterase, ATPase – adenosine triphosphatase, CNCs – cellulose nanocrystals, COOH-nPS – carboxyl-functionalized polystyrene nanoplastics, DPPH – diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl, EC₁₀ – 10% effect concentration, EC₅₀ – 50% effect concentration, GNs – graphene nanosheets, GO – graphene oxide, GQDs – graphene quantum dots, LC₁₀ – 10% lethal concentration, LC₅₀ – 50% lethal concentration, MDA– malondialdehyde, MLGs –

multi-layer graphenes, MWCNTs – multiwall carbon nanotubes, NH₂-nPS – amine-functionalized polystyrene nanoplastics, POD – peroxidase, nPS – polystyrene nanoplastics, rGO – reduced graphene oxide, nSe – nano-selenium, SOD – superoxide dismutase, SWCNTs – single walled carbon nanotubes, TBARS – thiobarbituric acid reactive species.

For presentation purposes, nTiO₂ (anatase@rutile) is shortened to nTiO₂(a@r).

Table S4.3. List of studies on the potentiation or attenuation of effects of mixtures of individual engineered nanoparticles (ENPs) on ecological species^a

ENPs Types of mixtures	Ecological species	Potentiation or attenuation of effects	References	
nAg + nPt	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	nPt significantly increased the toxicity of nAg	↑	Breisch et al., 2020
	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>			
MWCNTs + nCuO	<i>Tetradesmus obliquus</i>	The existence of nCuO in some groups reduced cell membrane damage caused by MWCNTs	↓	Fang et al., 2022
		The highest concentration of nCuO combined with the highest concentration of MWCNTs enhanced the induced ROS level	↑	
nAg + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	nTiO ₂ increased acute toxicity of nAg	↑	Haghighat et al., 2021
		nTiO ₂ increased Ag accumulation in liver and intestine	↑	
		nTiO ₂ decreased Ag accumulation in gills	↓	
		nTiO ₂ somewhat mitigated the effects of nAg on antioxidant enzymes activities	↓	
nCu + nZnO	<i>Poeciliopsis lucida</i>	The cytotoxicity exerted by nCu was enhanced in presence of non-toxic concentrations of nZnO	↑	Hernández-Moreno et al., 2016
nCu + nZnO	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	The co-exposure of rainbow trout to non-toxic concentrations of nCu and a fixed non-toxic concentration of nZnO resulted in lethal effects	↑	Hernández-Moreno et al., 2019
nTiO ₂ (anatase) + nZnO	<i>Vigna angularis</i>	The combination led to attenuated uptake and translocation behavior	↓	Jahan et al., 2018
nCuO + nZnO	<i>Hordeum vulgare</i>	After combined treatment of ENPs, the extractable concentrations of Cu and Zn were lower than upon individual exposure in bulk soil	↓	Joško et al., 2021
		Genes related to metal uptake (ZIP) and cellular compartment (PAA2, RAN1) were mostly up-regulated by single rather than combined application of ENPs	↓	
nCdO + nCuO	<i>Vigna radiata</i>	The germination rate of the nCdO + nCuO treatment was less than that of the single metal exposure under both humidities (70% and 80%) at 48 h	↓	Jung et al., 2020
nCuO + nCeO ₂	Zebrafish embryos	The harmful effects of the mixtures were more than nCeO ₂ and less than that of nCuO	↑↓	Kaur et al., 2019
nCuO + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	The joint presence of nTiO ₂ can potentially increase the uptake of nCuO in the tissues of carp	↑	Mansouri et al., 2016
nCeO ₂ + nZnO	<i>Pisum sativum</i>	The effects of nZnO were decreased by nCeO ₂	↓	Skiba et al., 2021

GNs + nZnO	<i>Capoeta fusca</i>	The presence of GNs reduced the bioavailability of nZnO	↓	Sayadi et al., 2021
nAg + nTiO ₂ (anatase@rutile)	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	nTiO ₂ attenuated the toxicity of nAg	↓	Wilke et al., 2016
nAg + nMoS ₂ (chitosan functionalization)	<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	nMoS ₂ attenuated the oxidative stress induced by nAg on the yeast cells	↓	Yang et al., 2018
		nAg inhibited the metabolic activities in yeast cells, but this inhibition phenomenon could be alleviated by nMoS ₂	↓	
CNCs + nZnO	<i>Eremosphaera viridis</i>	The addition of CNCs enhanced the bioavailability and toxicity of nZnO to the algae	↑	Yin et al., 2022
		The nZnO-CNC association enhanced the envelopment of the algal cells and exerted strong oxidative stress as compared to bare nZnO	↑	
GO + nAl ₂ O ₃	<i>Chlorella pyrenoidosa</i>	Algal growth inhibition by GO with coexisting nAl ₂ O ₃ particles was much lower than the sum of inhibitions from the individual materials for nAl ₂ O ₃ , showing the toxicity mitigation by nAl ₂ O ₃	↓	Zhao et al., 2018
		GO-induced algal membrane damage was suppressed by the nAl ₂ O ₃	↓	

^a ↑ indicates the potentiation of effect of mixtures of individual ENPs and ↓ indicates the attenuation of effect of mixtures of individual ENPs. CNCs – cellulose nanocrystals, GNs – graphene nanosheets, GO – graphene oxide, MWCNTs – multiwall carbon nanotubes.

For presentation purposes, nTiO₂ (anatase) is shortened to nTiO₂(a), nTiO₂ (anatase@rutile) is shortened to nTiO₂(a@r).

Table S4.4. List of studies on the toxicological effects of multicomponent nanomaterials (NMs) on ecological species^a

Types of hybrid NMs	Ecological species	Toxicity endpoints	Minimum inhibitory concentration	Toxic effects	References
nAg@nZnO	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	Immobilization and reproduction	n.d.	nAg@nZnO hybrid NMs showed higher toxicity than predicted based on the toxicity of nAg and nZnO	Azevedo et al., 2017
GO@nZnO	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Growth of bacteria	n.d.	The antibacterial activity of GO@nZnO nanorods hybrid NMs has been demonstrated	Bhaisare et al., 2016
	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>				
α -nFe ₂ O ₃ @nCo ₃ O ₄	<i>B. subtilis</i>	Bacterial growth inhibition	90 mg/dL	The enhanced bactericidal activity of the α -nFe ₂ O ₃ @nCo ₃ O ₄ nanocomposite was the result of synergistic effects of iron oxide and cobalt oxide nanoparticles	Bhushan et al., 2018
	<i>S. aureus</i>		75 mg/dL		
	<i>E. coli</i>		60 mg/dL		
	<i>S. typhi</i>		45 mg/dL		
GO@nAg	<i>Fusarium graminearum</i>	Spore germination inhibition	n.d.	The GO@nAg nanocomposite showed almost a 3- and 7-fold increase of inhibition efficiency over pure nAg and GO suspension, respectively.	Chen et al., 2016
nTiO ₂ @MWCNT	<i>Danio rerio</i> embryos	Acute toxicity, hatching rate, growth, yolk sac size, and sarcomere length	n.d.	TiO ₂ @MWCNT hybrid NMs showed no acute toxicity to zebrafish embryos	Da Silva et al., 2018
GO@nAg	Zebrafish embryos	Mortality, malformation, edema, hatching, total length, and yolk sac size	n.d.	With chorion: LC ₅₀ of GO@nAg hybrid NMs: 1.4 [1.3-1.7] mg/L; Without chorion: LC ₅₀ of GO@nAg hybrid NMs: 1.0 [0.9-1.2] mg/L; The toxic effects of GO@nAg were lower than AgNO ₃ , but higher than GO	de Medeiros et al., 2021

nSe@nIO	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Biofilm viability	n.d.	The relative fraction of dead-to-live bacteria of the nanocomposites (400.0%) was much higher than that of nSe (51.6%) and nIO (60.0%)	Li et al., 2020
GO@polyvinylpyrrolidone-stabilized nAg	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	Bacterial growth inhibition	n.d.	This hybrid nanocomposite poses enhanced antibacterial activity against carbapenem-resistant <i>P. aeruginosa</i> strains through a possible synergy between toxicity mechanisms of GO nanosheets and nAg	Lozovskis et al., 2020
nTiO ₂ @MWCNT-CNF	<i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i>	Growth inhibition and sublethal oxidative stress	n.d.	Acute exposure of <i>P. subcapitata</i> to various concentrations of TiO ₂ @MWCNT-CNF nanocomposite may cause algal growth inhibition including undesirable sublethal oxidative stress effects	Malatjie et al., 2022
nZn@nCuO	<i>Xenopus laevis</i> embryos	Bioaccumulation, oxidative stress, and histopathology	n.d.	nZn@nCuO nanocomposite does induce only mild acute toxicity in <i>X. laevis</i> embryos. Nevertheless, these effects are smaller than those of nZnO. Interestingly, embryos exposed to the nanocomposite accumulate NPs more efficiently than those exposed to nCuO and nZnO, but the internalized NMs do not induce severe acute toxicity	Mantecca et al., 2015
nAg@GO Chit-nAg@GO	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> UCLA 8076	Bacterial growth inhibition	nAg@GO: 1.90 Ag + 1.5 GO µg/mL Chit-nAg@GO (1:8): 1.19	Chit-nAg@GO exhibit higher antibacterial activity than most of the antibacterial agents based on nAg or	Marta et al., 2015

	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> 1190R		Ag + 1.41 GO µg/mL	nAg@GO reported	
PSF-CNF@nAg	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	Bacterial growth inhibition	n.d.	In solid phase the gram-positive bacteria showed higher sensitivity for PSF-CNF@nAg membranes, while in liquid phase the antimicrobial activity of the hybrid membrane is more pronounced towards gram-negative species. Furthermore, in the case of <i>E. coli</i> , the growth inhibition in liquid medium is probably due to the synergetic action of the modified CNF and nAg	Mocanu et al., 2019
	<i>Escherichia coli</i>				
Ag-nZnO@SWCNT	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Viable cell numbers	n.d.	All multicomponent NMs have been reported to possess strong antimicrobial activity towards <i>E. coli</i> and <i>S. aureus</i> bacteria, due to synergistic effect between metal-doped ZnO nanoparticles and carbon nanotubes	Mohammed et al., 2019
Au-nZnO@SWCNT					
Ag-nZnO@MWCNT	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>				
Au-nZnO@MWCNT					
nAg@GO	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Antimicrobial effect mean inhibition zone	n.d.	An increase in the inhibition zone with the increase in amount of nAg@GO nanocomposite is obvious due to greater antimicrobial agents	Naeem et al., 2019
	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>				
rGO@nCu ₂ O	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Bacterial growth inhibition	5.9 µg/mL	rGO@nCu ₂ O nanocomposite have a higher antimicrobial activity toward gram-negative and gram-positive bacteria when compared with reference antibiotics such as kanamycin and streptomycin	Selim et al., 2020
	<i>Pseudo-monas aeruginosa</i>		2.9 µg/mL		
	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>		2.9 µg/mL		

nAu@nZnO	<i>Ruditapes decussatus</i>	Levels of H ₂ O ₂ , MDA, intracellular iron and calcium as well as the activities of SOD and CAT	n.d.	nAu@nZnO hybrid NMs induced biochemical and histological alterations within either the digestive gland or gill tissues at high concentration	Sellami et al., 2017
nAg@MWCNT	<i>Methylobacterium</i> spp.	Bacterial growth inhibition	30 µg/mL	30 µg/mL of synthesized Ag@MWCNTs yielded an efficient level of antibacterial activity against <i>Methylobacterium</i> spp. and <i>Sphingomonas</i> spp.	Seo et al., 2014
	<i>Sphingomonas</i> spp.				
nAu@nAg	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Bacterial growth inhibition	10 µg/mL	Compared with individual nAg and the simple mixture of nAu and nAg, bimetallic nAu@nAg with remarkable stability and a long-term antibacterial efficiency while possessed synergistically enhanced antibacterial activity against both gram-negative and gram-positive bacteria, even at a lower silver concentration	Yang et al., 2017
	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>		15 µg/mL		
nAg@GO	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Bacterial growth inhibition	3.2 µg/mL	After conjugating to GO sheets, the antibacterial activities of nAg against <i>E. coli</i> and <i>B. subtilis</i> were significantly enhanced	Zhu et al., 2013
	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>		6.4 µg/mL		

^a N.d. = not determined, Chit – chitosan, CNCs – cellulose nanocrystals, CNF – carbon nanofiber, GO – graphene oxide, IO – iron oxide, MWCNT – multiwall carbon nanotube, PSF – polysulfone, rGO – reduced graphene oxide, SWCNT – single walled carbon nanotube.

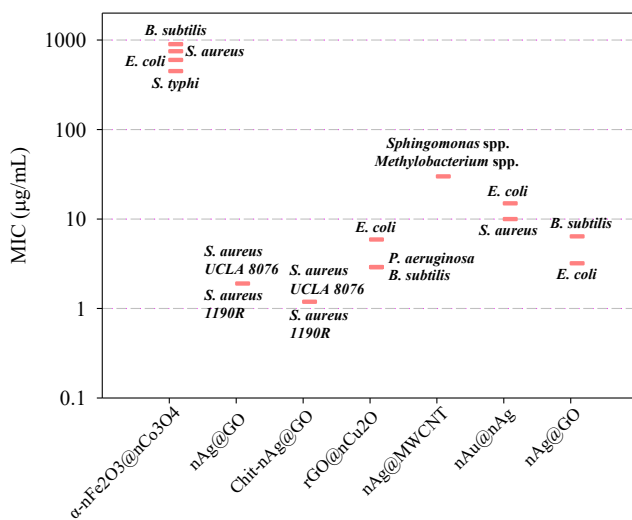


Figure S4.2. Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) for bacteria exposed to multicomponent nanomaterials.

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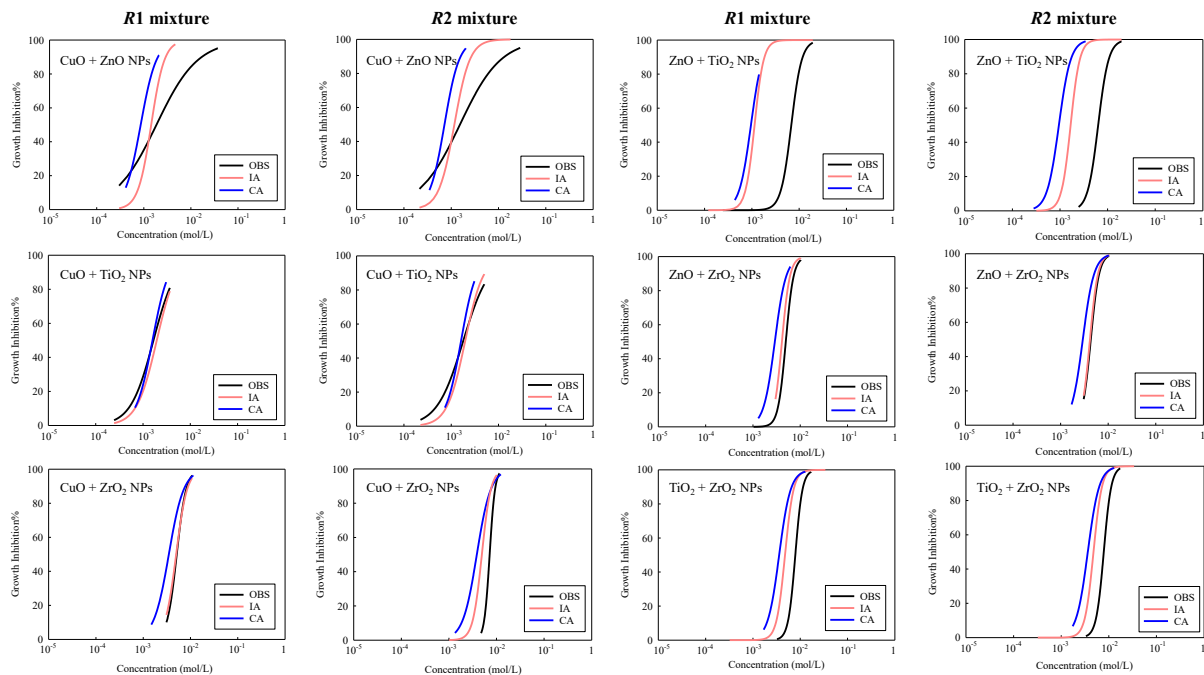


Figure S6.1. Comparison between observed and predicted concentration-response curves for *Escherichia coli* exposed to the binary mixtures of CuO, ZnO, TiO₂, and ZrO₂ NPs at two different mixture ratios. OBS stands for observation. IA and CA represent independent action model and concentration addition model, respectively.

Table S6.1. Single descriptors of the MO_x NPs studied ^a.

MO _x NPs	Periodictable-based descriptors		Experimental descriptors		Metal oxide energy descriptors			Ionic index
	χ_{me}	$\Sigma\chi_{me/nO}$	ζP	D_H	ΔH_{me+}	ΔH_{sf}	E_c	Z^2/r
			mV	nm	kcal/mol	eV	eV	pm ⁻²
Al ₂ O ₃ NPs	1.61	1.073	30.3	330	1,187.83	-17.345	-1.515	0.1667
CuO NPs	1.90	1.900	-15.1	201	706.25	-1.609	-5.174	0.0548
Fe ₂ O ₃ NPs	1.83	1.220	-6.3	> 6000	1,408.29	-8.512	-4.993	0.1636
SiO ₂ NPs	1.90	0.950	-29.8	1230	1,686.38	-9.410	-2.018	0.6154
TiO ₂ NPs	1.54	0.770	-14.1/-10.7	383/748	1,575.73	-9.779	-4.161	0.2623
ZnO NPs	1.65	1.650	-16.6/-20.9	373/1614	662.44	-3.608	-3.891	0.0667
ZrO ₂ NPs	1.33	0.665	-16.4	262	1,357.66	-11.252	-3.192	0.1905

^a χ_{me} – metal electronegativity, $\Sigma\chi_{me/nO}$ – sum of metal electronegativity for individual metal oxide divided by the number of oxygen atoms present in a particular metal oxide, ζP – zeta potential, D_H – hydrodynamic diameters, ΔH_{me+} – enthalpy of formation of a gaseous cation, ΔH_{sf} – metal oxide standard molar enthalpy of formation, E_c – nanoparticle energy of conduction band, and Z^2/r – ionic index of metal cation.

Table S6.2. Mixture descriptors of binary mixtures of MO_x NPs studied ^a.

Mixture system of MO_x NPs	Mixture descriptors							
	χ_{me}	$\Sigma\chi_{me/nO}$	ζP	D_H	ΔH_{me+}	ΔH_{sf}	E_c	Z^2/r
			mV	nm	kcal/mol			μm^{-2}
Int (R1)								
CuO + ZnO NPs	1.85	1.854	-15.3	232	698.225	-45.548	-113.896	0.0570
TiO ₂ + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.37	0.684	-16.0	285	1398.092	-253.179	-77.752	0.2038
ZnO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.56	0.917	-14.5	382	1423.106	-231.185	-94.914	0.2296
ZnO + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.34	0.708	-16.4	267	1327.297	-259.477	-74.313	0.1851
CuO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.71	1.304	-14.6	297	1165.134	-136.538	-106.986	0.1643
CuO + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.43	0.874	-16.2	252	1247.443	-221.852	-81.342	0.1675
Int (R2)								
CuO + ZnO NPs	1.83	1.833	-15.5	247	694.561	-49.404	-111.421	0.0580
TiO ₂ + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.37	0.684	-16.0	284	1396.568	-253.416	-77.596	0.2033
ZnO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.56	0.920	-14.5	381	1420.099	-231.297	-94.894	0.2290
ZnO + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.34	0.707	-16.4	267	1327.972	-259.477	-74.297	0.1852
CuO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.67	1.178	-14.5	317	1262.020	-157.532	-104.383	0.1874
CuO + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.39	0.800	-16.3	256	1286.528	-235.194	-78.600	0.1757
Ext (R3)								
Al ₂ O ₃ + ZnO NPs	1.64	1.442	-2.4	1150	852.141	-8.568	-3.033	0.1028
Al ₂ O ₃ + Fe ₂ O ₃ NPs	1.72	1.147	11.8	3189	1299.010	-12.890	-3.269	0.1651
Al ₂ O ₃ + SiO ₂ NPs	1.74	1.016	2.4	747	1419.092	-13.664	-1.748	0.3748
Al ₂ O ₃ + TiO ₂ NPs	1.58	0.934	11.4	522	1366.300	-13.864	-2.732	0.2107
ZnO + Fe ₂ O ₃ NPs	1.72	1.493	-15.6	3215	934.716	-5.398	-4.293	0.1021
ZnO + SiO ₂ NPs	1.73	1.420	-23.8	1488	998.684	-5.513	-3.276	0.2469
Fe ₂ O ₃ + SiO ₂ NPs	1.86	1.096	-17.1	3808	1536.096	-8.925	-3.626	0.3712
Fe ₂ O ₃ + TiO ₂ NPs	1.70	1.015	-8.3	3606	1484.611	-9.090	-4.614	0.2086
SiO ₂ + TiO ₂ NPs	1.72	0.861	-20.3	991	1631.475	-9.593	-3.081	0.4402
ZnO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.61	1.364	-17.6	1333	959.297	-5.614	-3.979	0.1303

^a The descriptors of the mixtures of MO_x NPs were derived from the descriptors of the individual MO_x NPs based on Equation 6.4, as shown in the main text.

Table S6.3. Performance of SVM-based QSAR models.

Models	Internal dataset								Combined dataset							
	training				test				training				test			
	R^2	R^2_{adj}	RMSE	MAE	R^2	R^2_{adj}	RMSE	MAE	R^2	R^2_{adj}	RMSE	MAE	R^2	R^2_{adj}	RMSE	MAE
S1	0.838	0.757	0.096	0.093	0.875	0.813	0.108	0.086	0.097	-0.053	0.782	0.536	-0.133	-0.322	0.896	0.566
S2	0.848	0.772	0.093	0.087	0.853	0.780	0.117	0.099	0.881	0.861	0.284	0.240	0.695	0.644	0.465	0.310
S3	0.360	0.040	0.191	0.155	0.237	-0.145	0.266	0.220	0.375	0.271	0.650	0.469	-0.467	-0.712	1.020	0.746
S4	0.667	0.501	0.138	0.133	0.006	-0.491	0.304	0.263	0.343	0.234	0.666	0.555	0.389	0.287	0.658	0.537
S5	0.532	0.298	0.163	0.120	0.596	0.394	0.194	0.157	0.929	0.917	0.219	0.191	0.885	0.866	0.285	0.223
S6	0.900	0.850	0.076	0.055	0.895	0.843	0.099	0.090	0.555	0.481	0.549	0.335	0.734	0.690	0.434	0.321
S7	0.869	0.804	0.087	0.082	0.923	0.885	0.085	0.073	-0.146	-0.337	0.880	0.494	-0.119	-0.306	0.890	0.534
S8	0.376	0.064	0.189	0.131	0.338	0.007	0.248	0.187	0.408	0.309	0.633	0.436	0.399	0.299	0.653	0.427
S9	0.868	0.815	0.087	0.084	0.869	0.607	0.110	0.084	0.862	0.837	0.305	0.228	0.659	0.523	0.491	0.317
S10	0.884	0.838	0.081	0.081	0.863	0.589	0.113	0.081	0.323	0.200	0.676	0.441	-0.167	-0.634	0.909	0.608
S11	0.886	0.840	0.081	0.074	0.916	0.748	0.088	0.077	0.295	0.167	0.690	0.486	0.170	-0.162	0.767	0.516
S12	0.935	0.909	0.061	0.050	0.926	0.778	0.083	0.072	0.940	0.929	0.202	0.148	0.809	0.733	0.368	0.277
S13	0.882	0.835	0.082	0.078	0.870	0.610	0.110	0.092	0.601	0.528	0.519	0.330	0.608	0.451	0.527	0.380
S14	0.851	0.791	0.092	0.090	0.888	0.664	0.102	0.085	-0.092	-0.291	0.859	0.459	0.054	-0.324	0.819	0.479
S15	0.938	0.913	0.059	0.043	0.933	0.799	0.079	0.069	0.471	0.375	0.598	0.372	0.400	0.160	0.652	0.388
S16	0.905	0.867	0.074	0.073	0.891	0.673	0.101	0.075	0.822	0.790	0.347	0.273	0.580	0.412	0.545	0.359
S17	0.868	0.815	0.087	0.070	0.880	0.640	0.105	0.088	0.905	0.888	0.253	0.215	0.792	0.709	0.383	0.286
S18	0.881	0.833	0.082	0.046	0.859	0.577	0.114	0.100	0.955	0.947	0.175	0.156	0.855	0.797	0.320	0.239
S19	0.889	0.845	0.080	0.071	0.882	0.646	0.105	0.092	0.848	0.820	0.321	0.254	0.743	0.640	0.427	0.282
S20	0.892	0.849	0.078	0.077	0.894	0.682	0.099	0.075	0.907	0.890	0.251	0.221	0.516	0.322	0.585	0.433
S21	0.892	0.849	0.079	0.049	0.892	0.676	0.100	0.088	0.807	0.772	0.362	0.280	0.653	0.514	0.496	0.337
S22	0.888	0.843	0.080	0.073	0.746	0.238	0.153	0.111	0.420	0.315	0.626	0.489	0.094	-0.268	0.801	0.603
S23	0.888	0.843	0.080	0.080	0.881	0.643	0.105	0.078	0.874	0.851	0.292	0.236	0.785	0.699	0.390	0.268
S24	0.944	0.922	0.057	0.051	0.927	0.781	0.082	0.056	0.701	0.647	0.450	0.302	0.411	0.175	0.646	0.433

S25	0.886	0.840	0.081	0.080	0.837	0.511	0.123	0.091	0.171	0.020	0.749	0.426	-0.012	-0.417	0.847	0.514
S26	0.901	0.861	0.075	0.074	0.891	0.673	0.101	0.070	0.490	0.397	0.587	0.393	0.244	-0.058	0.732	0.453
S27	0.807	0.730	0.105	0.098	0.789	0.367	0.140	0.125	0.949	0.940	0.186	0.158	0.892	0.849	0.277	0.214
S28	0.881	0.833	0.082	0.072	0.892	0.676	0.100	0.089	0.728	0.679	0.429	0.287	0.812	0.737	0.365	0.292
S29	0.904	0.866	0.074	0.071	0.933	0.799	0.079	0.068	0.311	0.186	0.682	0.418	0.046	-0.336	0.822	0.569
S30	0.785	0.699	0.111	0.100	0.699	0.097	0.167	0.150	0.523	0.436	0.568	0.448	0.579	0.411	0.546	0.396
S31	0.873	0.822	0.085	0.051	0.878	0.634	0.106	0.087	0.920	0.905	0.233	0.196	0.835	0.769	0.342	0.222
S32	0.948	0.927	0.055	0.050	0.934	0.802	0.078	0.057	0.944	0.934	0.195	0.191	0.663	0.528	0.489	0.377
S33	0.558	0.381	0.159	0.115	0.594	-0.218	0.194	0.152	0.894	0.875	0.268	0.227	0.807	0.730	0.370	0.278
S34	0.893	0.850	0.078	0.076	0.881	0.643	0.105	0.086	0.657	0.595	0.482	0.324	0.568	0.395	0.553	0.399
S35	0.893	0.850	0.078	0.046	0.901	0.703	0.096	0.079	0.678	0.619	0.467	0.311	0.601	0.441	0.532	0.363
S36	0.953	0.934	0.052	0.043	0.944	0.832	0.072	0.056	0.206	0.062	0.733	0.408	0.323	0.052	0.693	0.443

Table S6.4. Performance of NN-based QSAR models.

Models	Internal dataset								Combined dataset							
	training				test				training				test			
	R ²	R ² _{adj}	RMSE	MAE	R ²	R ² _{adj}	RMSE	MAE	R ²	R ² _{adj}	RMSE	MAE	R ²	R ² _{adj}	RMSE	MAE
N1	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.006	0.904	0.856	0.095	0.076	0.472	0.384	0.598	0.429	0.089	-0.063	0.804	0.646
N2	0.893	0.840	0.078	0.058	0.906	0.859	0.094	0.092	0.972	0.967	0.136	0.087	0.730	0.685	0.438	0.339
N3	0.994	0.991	0.019	0.015	-0.316	-0.974	0.349	0.210	0.742	0.699	0.418	0.241	-1.725	-2.179	1.390	0.985
N4	0.994	0.991	0.018	0.013	-0.789	-1.684	0.407	0.298	0.772	0.734	0.392	0.248	0.107	-0.042	0.795	0.523
N5	0.572	0.358	0.156	0.115	0.759	0.639	0.149	0.116	0.988	0.986	0.090	0.051	0.732	0.687	0.435	0.376
N6	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.005	0.941	0.912	0.074	0.064	0.972	0.967	0.138	0.088	0.798	0.764	0.379	0.230
N7	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.006	0.977	0.966	0.046	0.041	0.806	0.774	0.362	0.160	-1074.913	-1254.232	27.609	10.132
N8	0.993	0.990	0.020	0.015	0.326	-0.011	0.250	0.174	0.970	0.965	0.142	0.077	0.919	0.906	0.239	0.165
N9	0.999	0.999	0.006	0.003	0.942	0.826	0.073	0.064	0.988	0.986	0.091	0.047	0.723	0.612	0.443	0.287
N10	0.999	0.999	0.008	0.005	0.884	0.652	0.104	0.070	1.000	1.000	0.011	0.005	-3.702	-5.583	1.825	0.981
N11	0.999	0.999	0.008	0.004	0.814	0.442	0.131	0.106	0.817	0.784	0.351	0.162	0.856	0.798	0.319	0.238
N12	0.999	0.999	0.007	0.004	0.908	0.724	0.092	0.078	1.000	1.000	0.011	0.007	0.890	0.846	0.279	0.184
N13	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.005	0.973	0.919	0.050	0.040	0.998	0.998	0.036	0.028	-3.337	-5.072	1.753	0.975
N14	0.999	0.999	0.007	0.004	0.918	0.754	0.087	0.066	0.699	0.644	0.451	0.228	-38.970	-54.958	5.322	2.121
N15	0.999	0.999	0.008	0.004	0.968	0.904	0.054	0.040	0.987	0.985	0.093	0.044	0.131	-0.217	0.784	0.540
N16	0.999	0.999	0.007	0.004	0.913	0.739	0.090	0.070	0.997	0.996	0.048	0.026	0.296	0.014	0.706	0.521
N17	0.999	0.999	0.007	0.004	0.855	0.565	0.116	0.090	0.997	0.996	0.047	0.033	0.861	0.805	0.314	0.198
N18	0.999	0.999	0.006	0.003	0.845	0.535	0.120	0.099	1.000	1.000	0.010	0.006	0.822	0.751	0.355	0.229
N19	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.005	0.951	0.853	0.067	0.058	0.991	0.989	0.076	0.038	0.656	0.518	0.493	0.283
N20	0.999	0.999	0.007	0.004	0.921	0.763	0.086	0.072	1.000	1.000	0.007	0.004	0.732	0.625	0.436	0.315
N21	1.000	1.000	0.005	0.003	0.949	0.847	0.069	0.058	1.000	1.000	0.002	0.001	0.677	0.548	0.478	0.330
N22	0.981	0.973	0.033	0.023	0.711	0.133	0.164	0.108	0.996	0.995	0.055	0.032	-2.072	-3.301	1.475	0.970
N23	0.999	0.999	0.008	0.004	0.924	0.772	0.084	0.072	0.999	0.999	0.028	0.016	0.844	0.782	0.333	0.228
N24	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.006	0.907	0.721	0.093	0.064	1.000	1.000	0.018	0.010	0.489	0.285	0.602	0.450

N25	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.006	0.879	0.637	0.106	0.075	0.997	0.996	0.046	0.026	-2.924	-4.494	1.667	1.021
N26	0.999	0.999	0.008	0.004	0.915	0.745	0.089	0.062	0.999	0.999	0.031	0.017	-0.435	-1.009	1.008	0.707
N27	0.999	0.999	0.007	0.004	0.515	-0.455	0.212	0.166	0.999	0.999	0.027	0.017	0.922	0.891	0.235	0.162
N28	0.999	0.999	0.008	0.004	0.967	0.901	0.055	0.046	1.000	1.000	0.013	0.008	0.937	0.912	0.212	0.156
N29	0.999	0.999	0.008	0.005	0.900	0.700	0.096	0.070	0.717	0.666	0.437	0.223	0.057	-0.320	0.817	0.493
N30	0.999	0.999	0.006	0.004	0.604	-0.188	0.192	0.153	0.997	0.996	0.042	0.025	0.682	0.555	0.475	0.352
N31	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.005	0.911	0.733	0.091	0.067	1.000	1.000	0.016	0.009	0.908	0.871	0.255	0.181
N32	0.999	0.999	0.006	0.004	0.925	0.775	0.083	0.057	1.000	1.000	0.002	0.001	0.492	0.289	0.600	0.355
N33	0.956	0.938	0.050	0.031	0.934	0.802	0.079	0.053	1.000	1.000	0.011	0.007	0.698	0.577	0.463	0.356
N34	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.005	0.910	0.730	0.091	0.071	0.998	0.998	0.039	0.028	-7.440	-10.816	2.445	1.059
N35	0.999	0.999	0.009	0.005	0.953	0.859	0.066	0.054	1.000	1.000	0.002	0.001	-0.105	-0.547	0.885	0.599
N36	0.999	0.999	0.007	0.004	0.941	0.823	0.074	0.054	1.000	1.000	0.001	0.001	0.638	0.493	0.507	0.295

Table S6.5. *Y-randomization for the selected SVM-based models developed from the internal and the combined dataset.*

Iteration	Internal dataset				Combined dataset			
	S12		S31		S12		S31	
	R^2_{training}	R^2_{test}	R^2_{training}	R^2_{test}	R^2_{training}	R^2_{test}	R^2_{training}	R^2_{test}
1	0.672	0.164	0.463	-0.117	0.672	-0.333	0.431	0.126
2	0.638	-0.291	0.738	-0.385	0.160	-0.633	0.060	-0.949
3	0.104	-0.017	0.096	-0.022	0.011	-0.159	0.070	-0.165
4	0.714	-1.399	0.815	-1.741	0.187	-0.083	0.295	-0.119
5	0.455	-0.874	0.577	-1.055	0.468	0.041	0.262	-0.823
6	0.088	-0.844	0.074	-0.885	0.419	-0.208	0.336	-0.596
7	0.322	-0.480	0.151	-0.512	0.363	-0.940	0.197	-0.872
8	0.306	0.697	0.238	0.683	0.336	-0.003	0.444	0.150
9	0.054	-0.199	0.050	-0.208	0.093	-0.232	0.131	-0.221
10	0.076	-0.166	0.096	-0.128	0.449	-2.598	0.369	-2.118
${}^cR^2_p$	0.744	1.083	0.689	1.075	0.766	1.035	0.780	1.079

Table S6.6. *Y-randomization for the selected NN-based models developed from the internal and the combined dataset.*

Iteration	Internal dataset		Combined dataset	
	N12	N31	N12	N31
	R^2_{test}	R^2_{test}	R^2_{test}	R^2_{test}
1	0.646	0.553	-2.803	-1.770
2	-2.332	-2.158	-2.727	-4.690
3	-1.214	-8.204	-1.383	-1.091
4	-3.254	-2.693	-2.234	-4.516
5	-2.196	-2.042	-5.742	-0.433
6	-3.697	-863.167	-0.457	-0.786
7	-5.346	-2.146	-12.719	-7.102
8	0.256	0.306	-0.003	-0.382
9	-136.149	0.075	-9.853	-0.741
10	-18.164	0.167	-6.736	-6.876
$^cR^2_p$	4.049	8.966	2.183	1.844

Table S6.7. Percental difference between the experimental and predicted values for the internal dataset ^a.

Mixture system of MO _x NPs	ML-based QSAR models				Mixture models	
	S12	S31	N12	N31	IA	CA
Int (R1)						
CuO + ZnO NPs	1.47	0.74	0.00	0.00	4.78	12.13
TiO ₂ + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.90	1.43	0.00	0.00	10.48	16.19
ZnO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.38	0.46	0.46	0.46	36.41	38.25
ZnO + ZrO ₂ NPs	3.04	6.96	3.04	3.04	3.91	10.43
CuO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.44	1.08	3.97	1.08	2.53	1.08
CuO + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.75	0.87	0.00	0.00	0.44	7.42
Int (R2)						
CuO + ZnO NPs	4.96	4.26	4.61	5.67	3.55	11.70
TiO ₂ + ZrO ₂ NPs	1.42	0.95	0.00	0.47	9.95	15.64
ZnO + TiO ₂ NPs	0.45	0.91	0.45	0.91	25.91	38.64
ZnO + ZrO ₂ NPs	5.91	9.70	0.00	0.00	0.84	7.17
CuO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.09	0.73	0.36	0.36	1.46	2.19
CuO + ZrO ₂ NPs	3.27	1.87	0.00	0.47	7.94	12.62
Average value	2.34	2.50	1.08	1.04	9.02	14.46

^a % difference = (experimental value - predicted value) / experimental value × 100.

Table S6.8. Percental difference between the experimental and predicted values for the combined dataset ^a.

Mixture system of MO _x NPs	ML-based QSAR models			
	S ₁₂	S ₃₁	N ₁₂	N ₃₁
Int (R ₁)				
CuO + ZnO NPs	2.94	6.25	0.00	0.00
TiO ₂ + ZrO ₂ NPs	3.81	2.38	0.00	0.48
ZnO + TiO ₂ NPs	11.52	3.69	1.84	0.46
ZnO + ZrO ₂ NPs	3.48	7.39	0.00	0.00
CuO + TiO ₂ NPs	1.81	6.14	0.00	0.00
CuO + ZrO ₂ NPs	0.87	7.86	0.87	1.31
Int (R ₂)				
CuO + ZnO NPs	2.13	3.55	2.84	2.48
TiO ₂ + ZrO ₂ NPs	3.32	2.84	0.00	0.00
ZnO + TiO ₂ NPs	12.73	4.55	0.45	0.91
ZnO + ZrO ₂ NPs	6.33	10.13	2.95	2.95
CuO + TiO ₂ NPs	17.15	5.84	25.18	8.76
CuO + ZrO ₂ NPs	3.74	7.94	1.40	2.34
Ext (R ₃)				
Al ₂ O ₃ + ZnO NPs	7.75	8.92	0.00	0.00
Al ₂ O ₃ + Fe ₂ O ₃ NPs	3.88	2.43	0.00	0.49
Al ₂ O ₃ + SiO ₂ NPs	8.77	8.19	9.94	9.94
Al ₂ O ₃ + TiO ₂ NPs	14.71	10.00	0.59	0.00
ZnO + Fe ₂ O ₃ NPs	2.06	4.37	0.00	0.00
ZnO + SiO ₂ NPs	12.35	13.56	0.00	0.00
Fe ₂ O ₃ + SiO ₂ NPs	3.56	7.56	0.00	0.00
Fe ₂ O ₃ + TiO ₂ NPs	12.06	5.53	13.57	14.57
SiO ₂ + TiO ₂ NPs	4.44	11.67	0.56	0.00
ZnO + TiO ₂ NPs	18.08	19.61	2.83	12.64
Average value	7.16	7.29	2.87	2.61

^a % difference = (experimental value - predicted value) / experimental value × 100

Table S6.9. Importance and statistical significance of studied descriptors to the mixture toxicity of MO_x NPs in the internal and the combined datasets.

Descriptors	Internal dataset		Combined dataset	
	<i>t</i> value	Relative importance %	<i>t</i> value	Relative importance %
χ_{me}	0.132	1.45	-0.137	1.37
$\Sigma\chi_{me/nO}$	-1.110	12.17	-0.098	0.98
ζP	0.381	4.18	-1.432	14.37
D_H	-0.034	0.37	1.561	15.66
ΔH_{me+}	0.836	9.17	-4.706	47.22
ΔH_{sf}	5.672	62.19	0.613	6.15
E_c	-0.369	4.05	0.406	4.07
Z^2/r	0.586	6.43	1.013	10.16

Table S6.10. The calculated AICc values for a set of models integrating the proposed descriptors in various combinations ^a.

Descriptors	Internal dataset		Combined dataset	
	<i>K</i>	<i>AICc</i>	<i>K</i>	<i>AICc</i>
χ_{me}	3	-2.46	3	60.42
ΔH_{me+}	3	0.98	3	45.19
ΔH_{sf}	3	-5.37	3	58.64
$\chi_{me}, \Delta H_{me+}$	4	0.89	4	48.19
$\chi_{me}, \Delta H_{sf}$	4	-0.69	4	61.30
$\Delta H_{me+}, \Delta H_{sf}$	4	-1.56	4	47.31
$\chi_{me}, \Delta H_{me+}, \Delta H_{sf}$	5	3.12	5	48.08

^a *K* is the number of parameters in the model and its default value is 2.