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Uptake and Accumulation of Polystyrene Nanoplastics (PS-NPs) by Australian Seabass

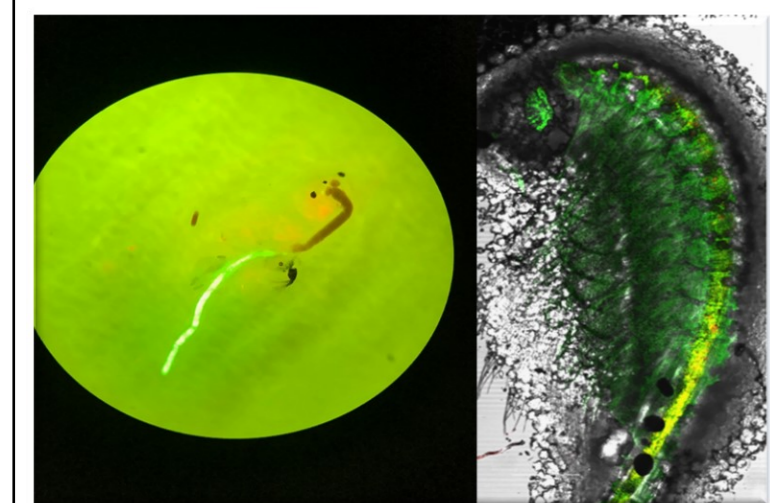
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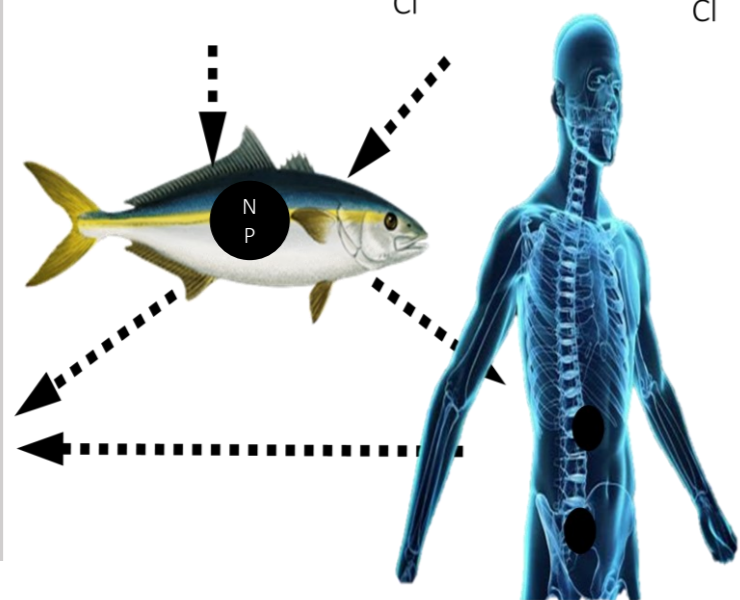
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POTENTIAL RISK OF NANOPLASTICS



- Effect on reproduction
- Oxidative stress
- Changes in energy and lipid metabolism
- Neurotoxic effect



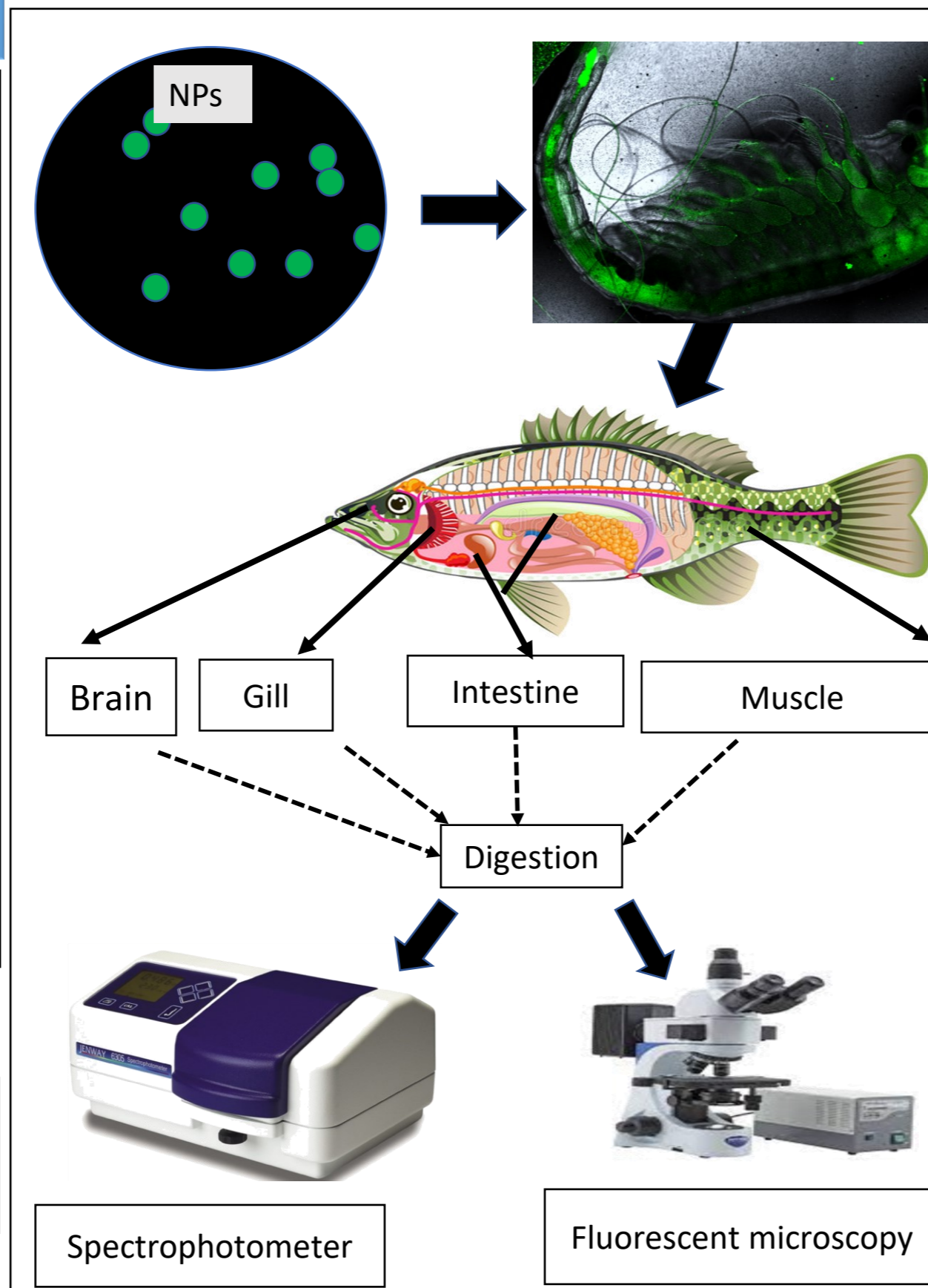
RESEARCH AIMS

To understand the uptake and accumulation of different sized NPs by fish through two tier trophic transfer

CONCLUSIONS

- Smaller size PS-NPs (100 nm and 50 nm) transferred to all organs (brain, gill, intestine and muscle) of fish body more in number than 1 μm size particles.
- Trophic transfer of 50 nm PS-NPs was higher than 1 μm after 72 hour of NPs ingestion
- Thus, the result poses threat to transfer of NPs from environment to human through trophic transfer

METHODS AND MATERIALS



RESULTS

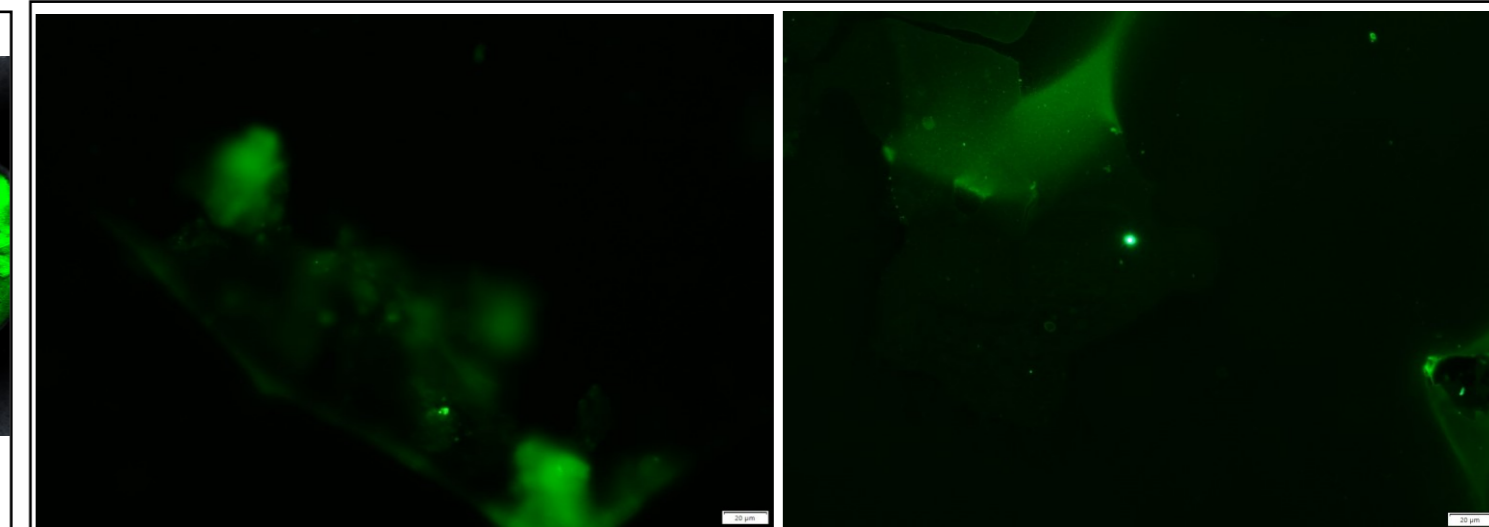


Fig. 1 PS-NPs ingestion by fish through brine shrimp

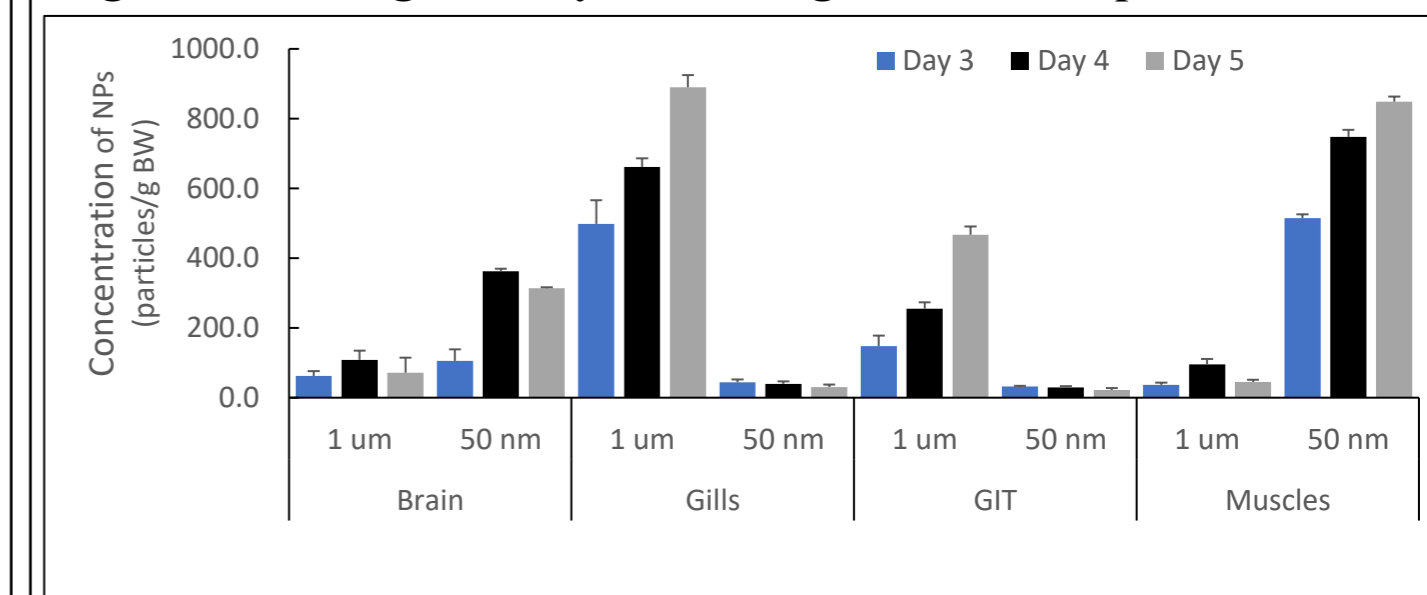


Fig. 2 NPs Accumulation in different organ of Fish : 1μm vs 50 nm

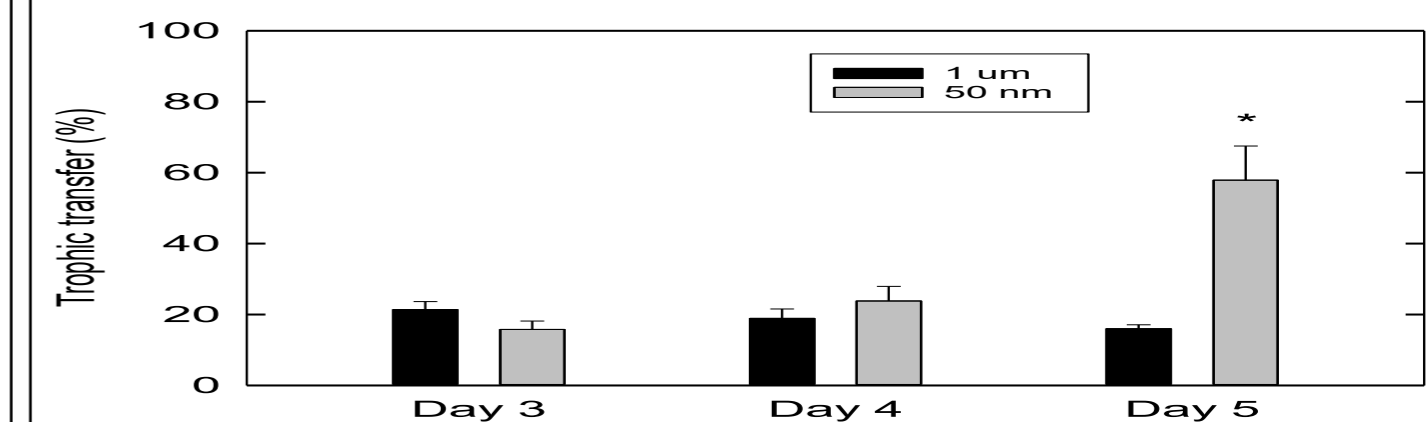


Fig. 3 Trophic transfer PS-NPs: 1μm vs 50 nm

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