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Highlights

- Surface contamination caused by handling nanomaterials was traced using fluorescently labeled 80-nm silica nanoparticles.
- Fluorescent silica nanoparticles granted high analytical sensibility, small sizes and high dispersability in aerosol phase.
- Below 100 ppm of fluorescent nanoparticles added to the aerosol matter allowed exposure assessment in wide contact surfaces.
- The appropriate illumination revealed the deposition zones, allowing a low-cost procedure for risk assessment tests.

Abstract

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