

Novel material and bio-inspired materials	NMP-2008-2.3-1 Advanced implants and bioactive materials for critical organs	
Advances in chemical technologies and materials processing	NMP-2008- 2.4-2 Radical advances in the processing of multifunctional films and tapes	
Using engineering to develop high performance knowledge-based materials	NMP-2008-2.5-1 Functionally graded materials for improved mechanical performance	
	NMP-2008-2.5-2 Modelling of interfaces for high performance materials design	
Adaptive production systems	NMP-2008-3.2-2 Self-learning production systems	
Networked production	NMP-2008-3.3-1 Supply chain integration and real time decision making in non hierarchical manufacturing networks	

- **Evaluation procedure:** For Small or medium-scale focused research projects the evaluation shall follow a two-stage procedure. The first stage proposal, of a maximum of 10 pages (font size 12) should focus on the S&T content and on clear identification of the intended results, their intended use and the expected impact (economic, social, environmental, etc.) and 2 additional pages to describe the consortium and the estimated financial resources involved. It will be evaluated on the basis of two evaluation criteria, i.e.: *scientific quality and expected impact*. Stage 1 proposals will be evaluated remotely. Stage 1 proposals shall be submitted at the closure date mentioned above. Coordinators of retained proposals in stage 1 ("go" proposals) will be invited to submit a complete proposal that will be then evaluated against the entire set of evaluation criteria. The closure date of the second submission will be specified in the invitation to submit the complete proposal. The indicative closure date is 2 September 2008.
- **Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable:** Evaluation Stage 1 proposals: End of March/beginning of April 2008; Evaluation stage 2 proposals: September 2008. Evaluation results: estimated to be available within two months after the closure date. A reserve list of projects might be established.
- **Consortia agreements:** Participants are required to conclude a consortium agreement.
- **Particular requirements for participation, evaluation and implementation.**

The minimum number of participating legal entities for all funding schemes is set out in the Rules for Participation.

For the small or medium scale focussed research projects the **maximum** EC funding requested **must not exceed** EUR 4 million.

In order to ensure industrial relevance and impact of the research effort, the active participation of industrial partners represents an added value to the activities and this will be reflected in the evaluation (This does not apply for topics: **NMP-2008- 4.1.1-1**

