

## PARTNERS



## PROJECT DETAILS

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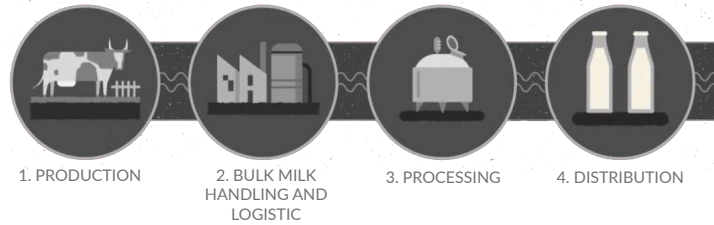
# MOLOKO

**Multiplex phOtonic sensor  
for pLasmonic-based  
Online detection  
of contaminants  
in milk**



PHOTONICS PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

MOLOKO project aims to develop a **miniaturized integrated photonic sensor**, specifically designed to be used throughout the whole milk supply chain, from production to distribution.



The device will enable and guarantee self-monitoring safety and compliance to quality standards through the use of highly sensitive, specific and low-cost innovative photonic technology.

MOLOKO will be able to detect multiple analytes through a multiplex strategy. The effectiveness and market focus of the engineered prototype will be quantitatively evaluated against standard analytical methods and commercially available optical biosensors.

## MOLOKO TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

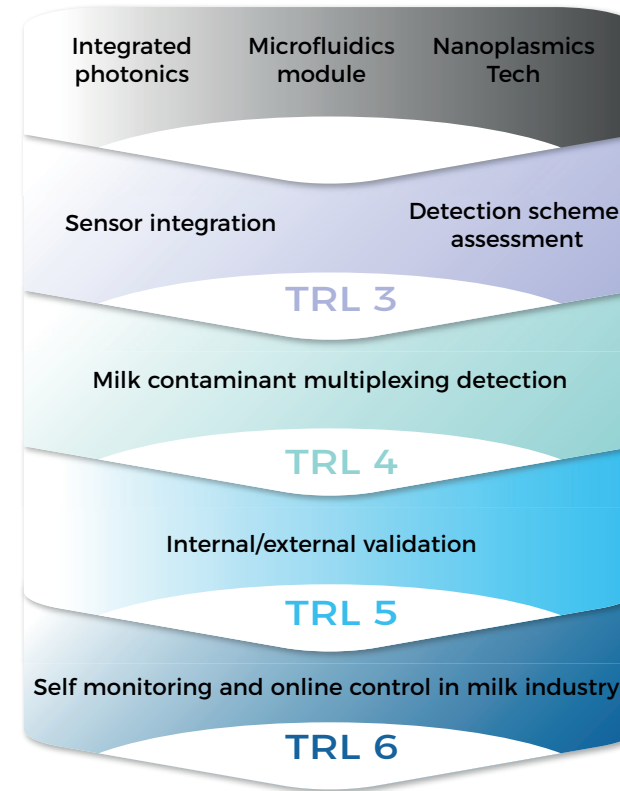
**COMPONENTS/  
MODULES**

**PROTOTYPE**

**TECH IN LAB**

**TECH  
VALIDATION**

**TECH  
DEMONSTRATION**



### ANTIBIOTICS

Antibiotic residues can enter the milk chain from veterinary treatments. Human consumption of antibiotics through food can lead to health problems, due to the rise of antibiotic resistance in bacteria that cause disease in humans. Furthermore, antibiotics in milk can adversely affect fermentation processes, such as cheese and yogurt production.

**MOLOKO aims to detect antibiotics from the beta-lactam, sulphonamide, aminoglycoside and/or tetracycline groups.**



### TOXINS

Toxins can enter the milk via animal feed. Animal exposure to mycotoxins through feeds is chronic and an increasing problem worldwide due to climate change. The consumption of staphylococcus enterotoxin that rapidly grows in milk is considered one of the most common forms of bacterial foodborne outbreaks worldwide.

**MOLOKO aims to detect Enterotoxin A, Enterotoxin B and Aflatoxin M1.**



### FOOD QUALITY

Quality parameters directly affect the nutritional and organoleptic properties of finished dairy products. They need to be assessed routinely to increase the process monitoring efficiency of the dairy supply chain and, in turn, competitiveness of the European food processing industry.

**MOLOKO aims to detect Lactoferrin, K-casein B, beta-casein A2.**