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Introduction

This document connects the nano-object parameters that most commonly need to be measured with corresponding measurement techniques. This document will be a useful tool for nanotechnology interested parties to rapidly identify relevant information for measuring nano-objects. The common nano-object parameters are listed along the top row of the Quick-Use-Matrix (see [Table 1](#)). If a measurement technique listed in the first column of the matrix is applicable, the box in the matrix will be marked. Once a measurement technique of interest is identified, it is recommended that the reader then enter this document's body of text (see [Clause 5](#)), where you will find an alphabetical listing of the measurement techniques and descriptions of the advantages, limitations, relevant standards, measurand(s), and applicable nano-object parameters of each technique.

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