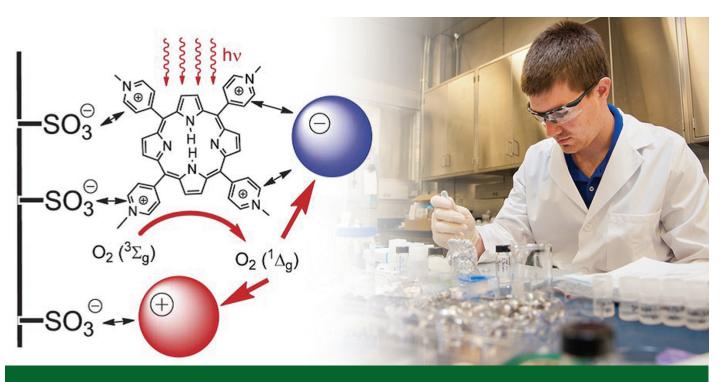


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# PHOTOCHEMISTRY AND SUPRAMOLECULAR CHEMISTRY OF PORPHYRINOIDS

### **OFFER**

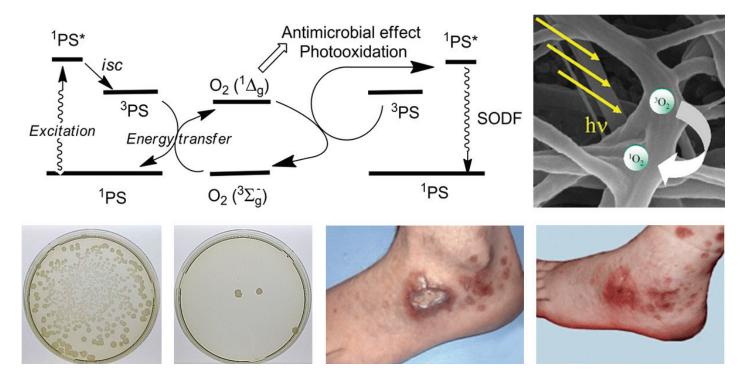
- Our mission is the development of new photoactive nanomaterials (polymer nanofiber membranes and nanoparticles) generating highly antimicrobial species (<sup>1</sup>O<sub>2</sub> and/or NO radical) for visible light-activated sterilization and other antibacterial and antiviral applications in medicine (surgical masks, wound covering etc.).
- Herein we offer you our expertise within a several range of issues related to the design, preparation, and characterization/ evaluation of photoactive nanomaterials with anti-microbial photodynamic inactivation.

We are looking for cooperation in the fields of applications of photoactive nanomaterials in medicine or biomedical science.

# **KNOW-HOW & TECHNOLOGIES**

The recent research of the group lays in chemistry and photophysics of porphyrin-type photosensitizers, in the formulation of new photofunctional (nano) materials and self-assembled structures with potential impact in medicine, light-harvesting, and sensing.

- Synthesis and characterization of porphyrinoid photosensitizers.
- Preparation of photoactive nanofiber materials by electrospinning generating <sup>1</sup>O<sub>2</sub> and/or NO radicals.
- Preparation of photoactive nanoparticles from nanofiber materials releasing <sup>1</sup>O<sub>2</sub> and/or NO radical.
- Characterization of photoactive nanomaterials (nanofibers, nanoparticles).
- Detection methods for evaluation of (photo)generation of <sup>1</sup>O<sub>2</sub> and/or NO radical in several media.
- Antimicrobial photodynamic inactivation in the field of photodynamic therapy and photodisinfection (PDT).



### MAIN CAPABILITIES

Controlled irradiation by several light sources (lasers, lamps), steady state and time-resolved absorption and emission spectroscopy, synthesis of porphyrinoid photosensitizers, electrospinning, chemical methods of  $^{\rm 1}{\rm O}_2$  and/or NO detection, detection of  $^{\rm 3}{\rm O}_2$  in aqueous media.

# RESEARCH EQUIPMENT

Steady state as well as time-resolved absorption and emission spectroscopy, electrospinning device, standard equipment for synthesis and characterization of porphyrinoids.

### **CURRENT PROJECTS**

- EU project OP VVV "Excellent Research Teams", project No. CZ.0 2.1.01/0.0/0.0/15\_003/0000417 CUCAM, starting in 2016.
- Czech Science Foundation 16-15020S Photoactive Polymer Materials with Nanostructured Surfaces for Biomedical Applications, starting in 2016.

# **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- **Patent:** Mosinger J., Jirsák O., Mosinger B., Mareš L.: System containing at least one layer of nanofibers and the method of nanofibers production. PV 2006-432, PS3477 CZ (2006).
- In the last 10 years, more than 40 papers in impacted international journals.
- Book chapter "Photoactivatable Nanostructured Surfaces for Biomedical Applications "in "Light-Responsive Nanostructured Systems for Applications in Nanomedicine" (S. Sortino ed.), Topics in Current Chemistry 370, 2016 (ISBN 978-3-319-22941-6).
- Book chapter "Nanofibers and Nanocomposite Films for Singlet Oxygen-Based Applications" in "Singlet Oxygen" (S. Nonell, C. Flors eds.), RSC 2016 (ISBN 978-1-78262-038-9).

# PARTNERS AND COLLABORATIONS

### **ACADEMIC PARTNERS**

- Cooperation with many academic research groups in the Czech Republic as well as in Europe through collaborative projects.
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- Important cooperation with J. Heyrovský Institute of Physical Chemistry and Institute of Inorganic Chemistry from Academy of Science, Prague, Czech Republic.
- Participation on the EU project OP VVV "Excellent Research Teams" - Charles University Centrum of Advanced Materials (CUCAM).

# **PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR**

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