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MUNI Sports Lab

Ivan Struhár



The primary research interests in our laboratories are to determine:

- the limits of the acute responses and chronic adaptations to exercise
- variety of physiological systems and fitness parameters
- person's cardiovascular, respiratory, and metabolic responses to physical activity as well as assess an individual's balance, flexibility, and power.

The overall aims of our focus are to investigate determinants of:

- sports **performance**
- **health effects** of exercise



Laboratory of Exercise Physiology

- portable high resolution spiroergometry system with Breath-by-Breath technology
- the system allows a complete medical analysis of the functionality of a person's lung, heart and metabolism at rest and under stress



Laboratory of Muscle Strength Assessment

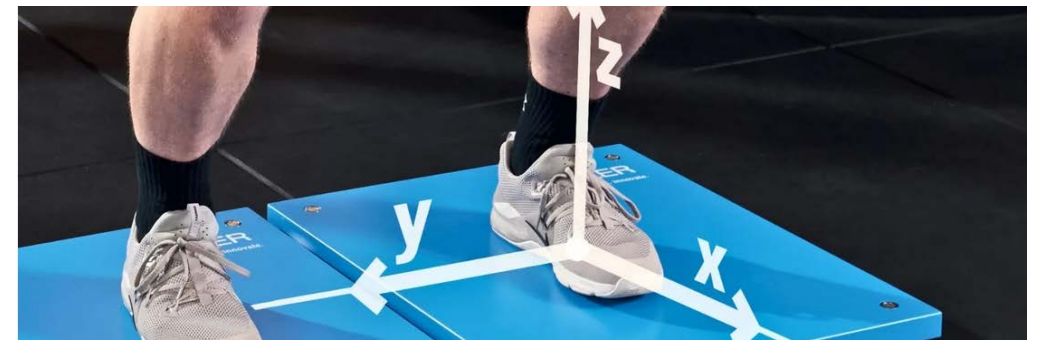
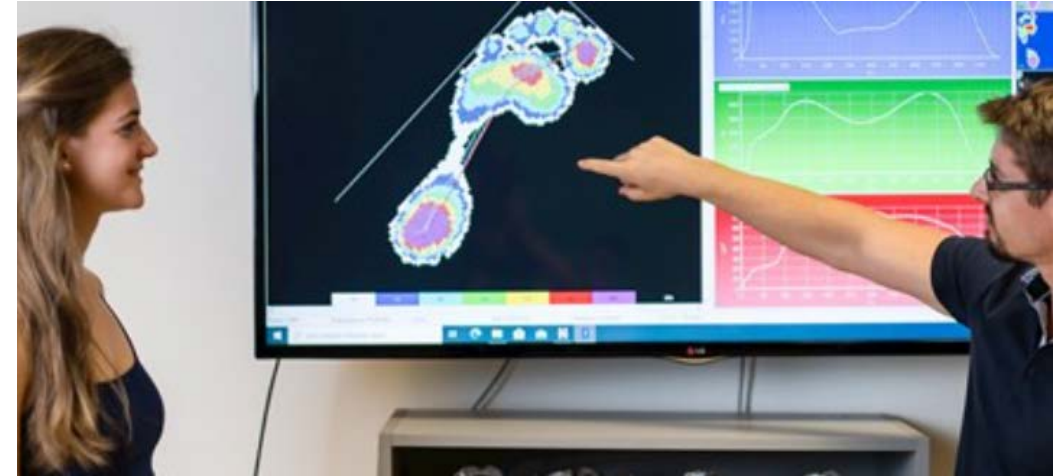
- measuring and improving human performance in the **clinic, athletic training room, and research laboratory.**
- **4 resistance modes** (isokinetic, isotonic, isometric, and passive), and numerous reports to meet the measurement and exercise needs of today's clinicians and researchers.
- includes isolated patterns covering the **shoulder, elbow, wrist, hip, knee, ankle, and back.**



Laboratory of Motion Analysis

- force plates can be used to characterize biomechanical processes such as walking, running or jumping, for example, for performance diagnostics in sport, for clinical analyses or in research
- force plates contains piezoelectric sensors that measure the forces in the three main axes: the vertical, the horizontal and the transverse direction.

To answer specific questions in research or to analyse the movement of the centre of mass.



Laboratory of Bone Densitometry and Body Composition Analysis

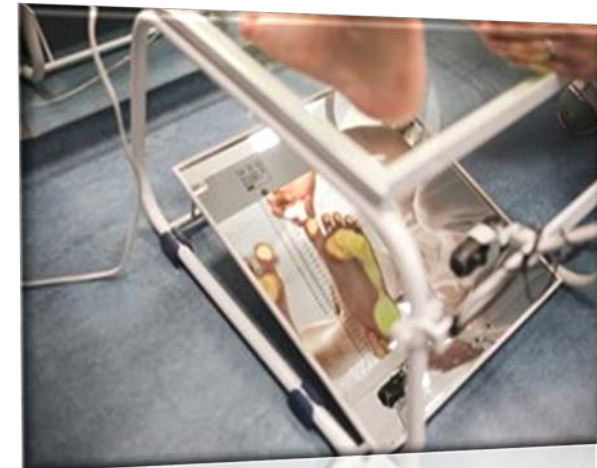
- high accuracy and precision, the DXA whole body scan is a more comprehensive way to measure body composition than methods like calipers, hydrostatic weighing, Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis (BIA), or Bod Pod

- f.e. Bone mineral density in elite athletes: the effect of body composition and long-term exercise



Laboratory of Physical Therapy

- evaluation the physiological and pathological movement of an individual based on a kinesiological analysis.
- The laboratory serves both - for teaching practical seminars and also for research.
- Our students and researchers use this lab to measure data for their final Ttheses or larger research projects.



Laboratory of Sport Performance Analysis

Increase performance

- Adapt training based on test results and strengthen the “weak” spots
- Plan individual **recovery phases** when needed
- Select the fittest athletes for the next game



Prevent injuries

- Prevent injuries by monitoring performance
- Adapt rehabilitation based on test results
- Make fast and **safe return-to-play** decisions by comparing test results to the former level or a reference
- Establish **successful rehab concepts** to reduce costs of rehabilitation for your valuable assets

I value your willingness to hear my words



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Plant Sciences Core Facility

<https://plants.ceitec.cz/en/>

Petr Mokroš, CF Day Life Sciences, 16th October 2024

Plant Sciences CF overview

- CF offers to academic institutions and industrial partners access to the research infrastructure for:
 - large-scale cultivation of plants cultivation under standard conditions
 - cultivation under specific conditions - environmental simulation
 - phenotyping analysis

Plant Sciences CF overview

- Large-scale cultivation of plants cultivation under standard conditions
 - 10 individual greenhouse sections
 - 5 individual phytotrons with shelves

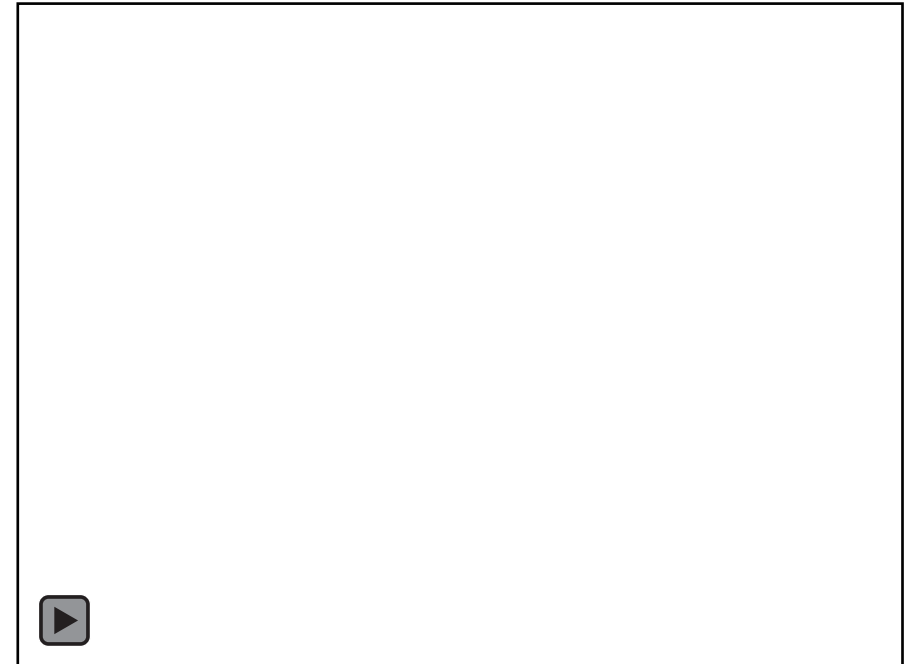


Plant Sciences CF overview

- cultivation under specific conditions
 - 10 phytotrons with 120 individual closed banks
 - small growth chambers

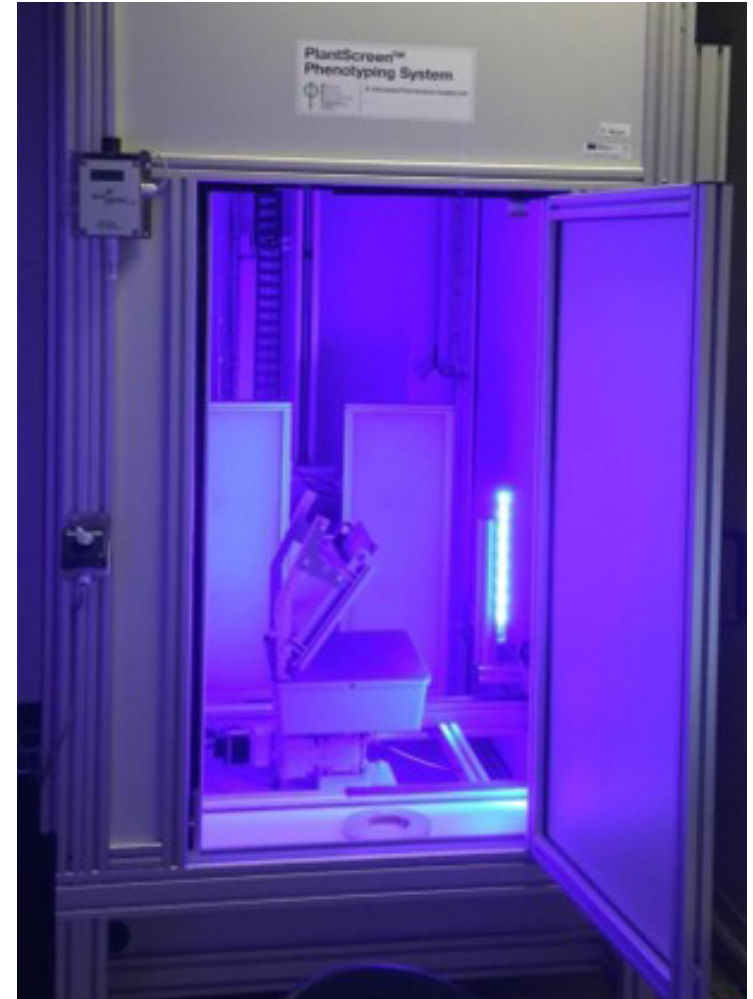
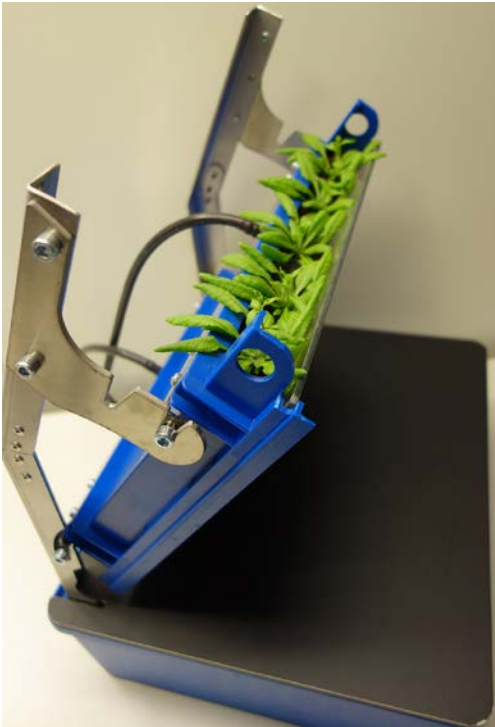
We are able to control:

- temperature
(below 0°C, up to 40°C)
- day/night length
- intensity of cultivation light
 - high light illumination
- color of cultivation light
 - standard (cold white/red/far-red)
 - multi-channel LEDs
(UV_{365,385}, blue_{400,450}, green_{525,525}, amber₅₉₀, red₆₆₅ and far-red₇₃₀)



Plant Sciences CF overview

- phenotyping analysis - PlantScreen™ phenotyping system
 - designed for high-precision low-throughput phenotyping of small and mid-size plants, e.g. *Arabidopsis* or *Brassica*.



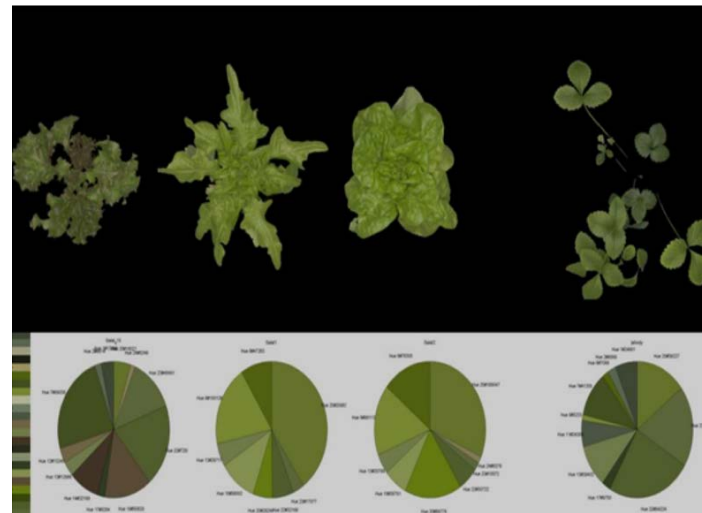
PlantScreen™ phenotyping system

- phenotyping analysis -
 - top- and back-view of plants
 - RGB and morphometric imaging
 - kinetic chlorophyll fluorescence imaging
 - root phenotyping
 - low-throughput screening



PlantScreen™ phenotyping system

- RGB digital imaging for in-depth analysis of plant morphology, architecture and colour index analysis
- Morphological parameters
 - area
 - perimeter
 - compactness
 - roundness
 - eccentricity
 - RMS rotational mass symmetry
 - SOL Slenderness of leaves
 - isotropy
 - greenness



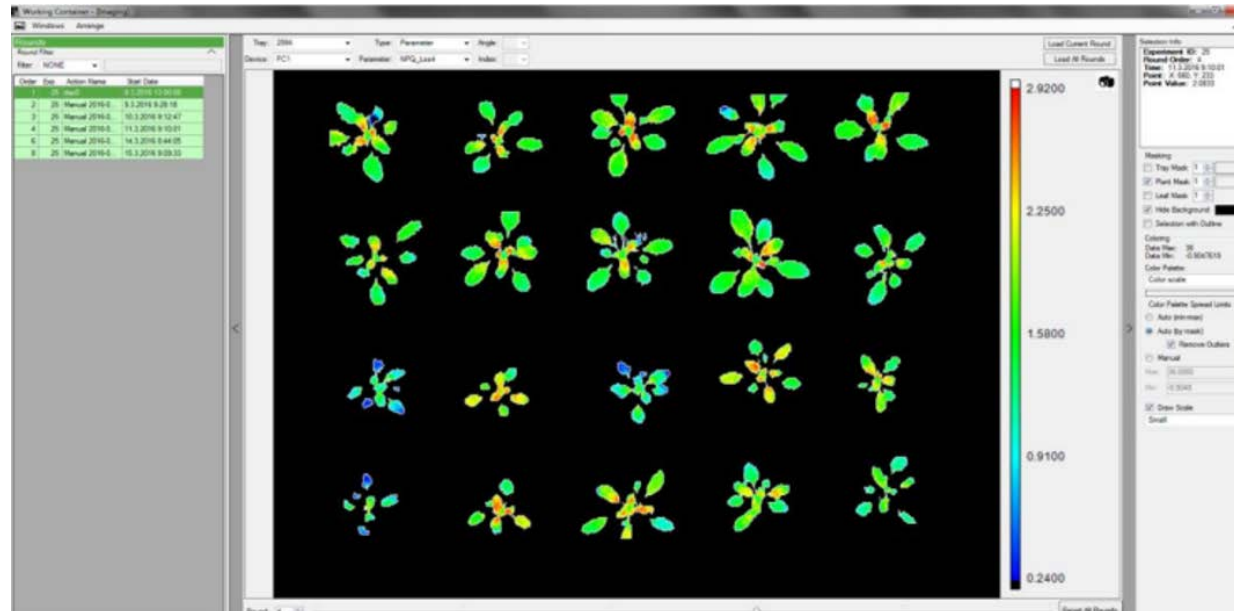
PlantScreen™ phenotyping system

- Root imaging module
 - root system architecture
 - visualization and morphometric analysis of root system



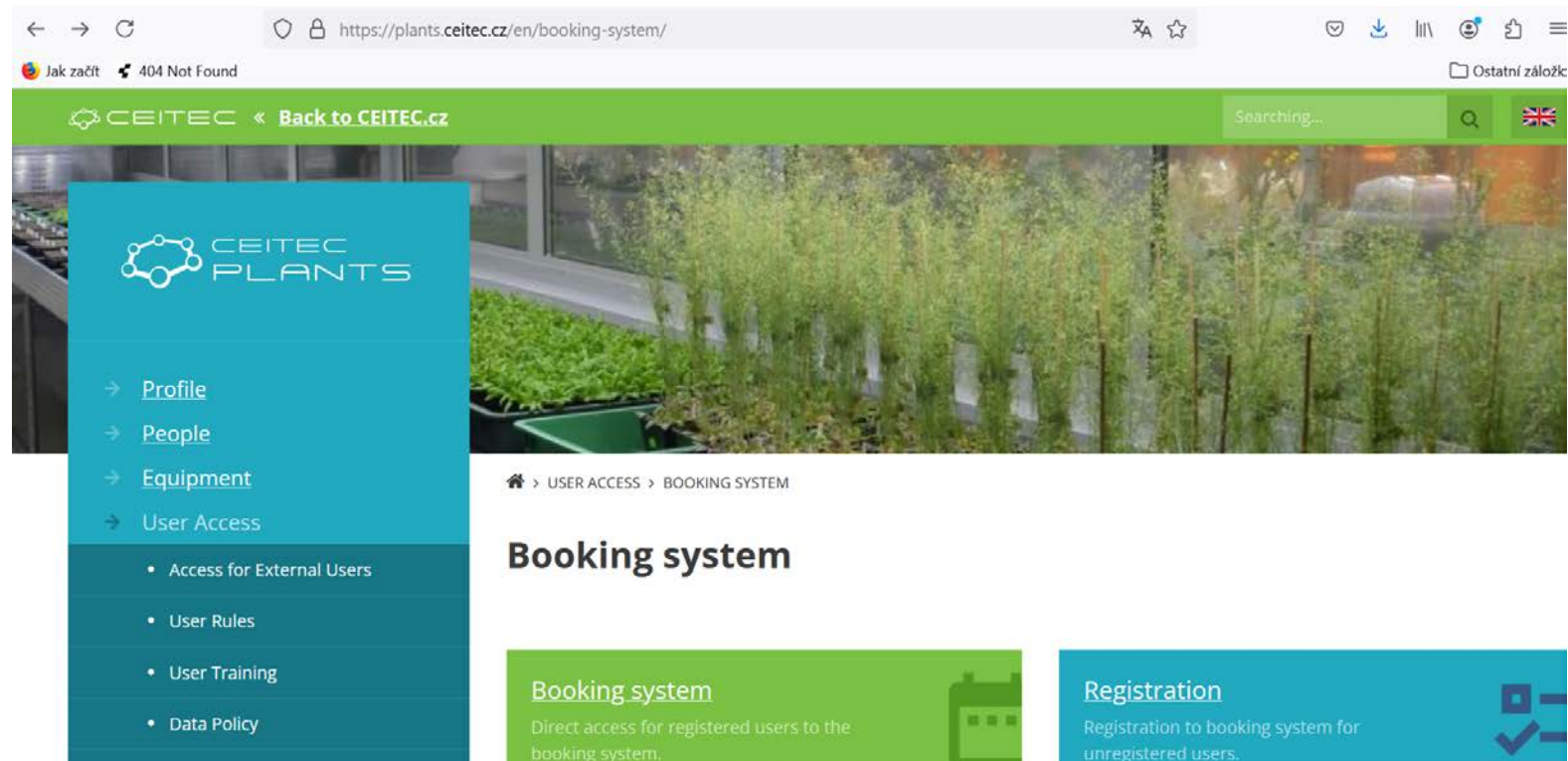
PlantScreen™ phenotyping system

- Kinetic chlorophyll fluorescence imaging for rapid non-invasive measurement of photosystem II activity
 - rapid indicator of photosynthetic performance of plants
 - to investigate genetic heterogeneity due to infection, senescence, abiotic stress or mutation
 - changes in chlorophyll kinetic parameters often occur well before visible changes are apparent



Plant Sciences CF users

- CF offers access to academic institutions and industrial partners
 - basic cultivation facility for 5 plant research groups at Ceitec MU



The screenshot displays the CEITEC Plants Booking System interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the CEITEC logo, a 'Back to CEITEC.cz' link, a search bar, and a language selector (UK flag). Below the navigation bar is a large photograph of a plant cultivation facility. A teal sidebar menu is overlaid on the left, containing the CEITEC PLANTS logo and the following navigation items: Profile, People, Equipment, User Access, Access for External Users, User Rules, User Training, and Data Policy. The main content area shows the breadcrumb 'USER ACCESS > BOOKING SYSTEM' and the title 'Booking system'. Below the title are two buttons: a green 'Booking system' button with a calendar icon and a blue 'Registration' button with a person icon. The 'Booking system' button has a description: 'Direct access for registered users to the booking system.' The 'Registration' button has a description: 'Registration to booking system for unregistered users.'

Acknowledgement text

If our CF has contributed to the successful publication of your work, please be kind enough to mention this fact.

- *„Plant Sciences Core Facility of CEITEC Masaryk University is gratefully acknowledged for the obtaining of the scientific data presented in this paper.”*
- *„Plant Sciences Core Facility of CEITEC Masaryk University is gratefully acknowledged for the cultivation of experimental plants used in experiments presented in this paper.”*



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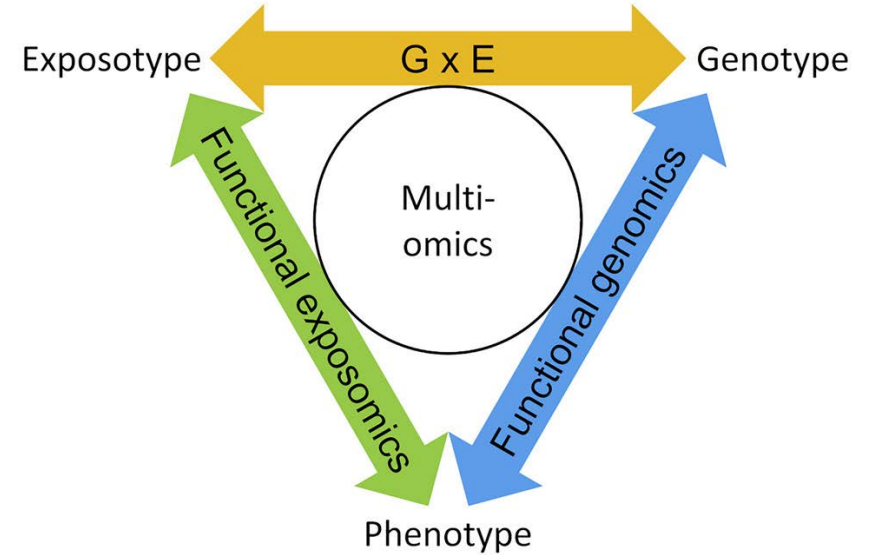
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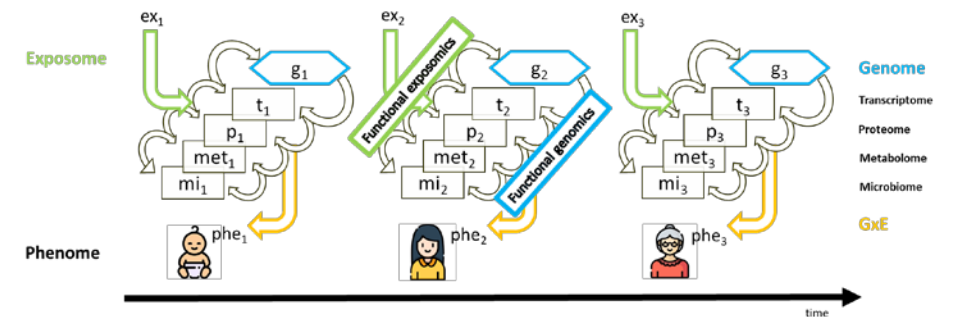
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Human exposome redefined (2022)

- **Exposome:** the totality of environmental exposures, i.e. the totality of contact between external factors (agents) and a biological entity.
- **Functional exposomics:** the systematic and comprehensive study of environmental exposure-phenotype interaction over a defined time-period.
- Operational definition for studies to **consider the environmental exposures** (contact with external factors) that **influence phenotype and health**



<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.isci.2022.103976>



RECETOX Central Laboratories

- currently **the busiest part** of the RECETOX Research infrastructure
- **accredited according to European standards** for environmental sampling and a wide range of chemical analysis
- consists of three major units
 - **Trace Analytical Laboratories**
 - **Microbiome analysis**
 - **Biomarker Analytical Laboratories**



Accredited laboratories provide the analytical background for the research programmes of the RECETOX centre and provide the advanced analytical services to our research teams, as well as to external clients. The laboratories also realize long-term monitoring programs of various matrices (MONET EU, MONET Africa).



Microbiome laboratory provides the bacterial and mycobial profiles in various samples using the 16S rRNA gene and ITS gene sequencing. It also performs whole metagenome sequencing, in which all DNA in the sample is sequenced.



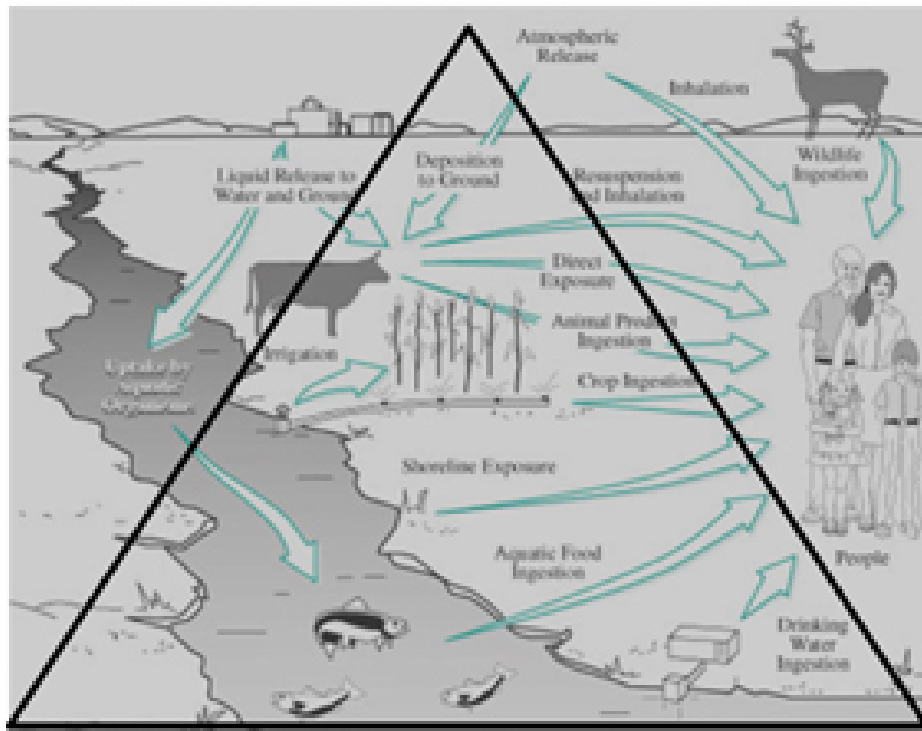
The biomarker analysis laboratory focuses on methods of targeted and non-targeted analyses of biologically important molecules (metabolites, proteins, lipids) as potential biomarkers of effects associated with chemical exposure.

Challenge of Assessing Human Exposome

2005: Wild proposed a non-genetic complement to the genome - the exposome - to encompass all environmental exposures shaping phenotype. <https://doi.org/10.1158/1055-9965.EPI-05-0456>

Bottom-up Exposomics

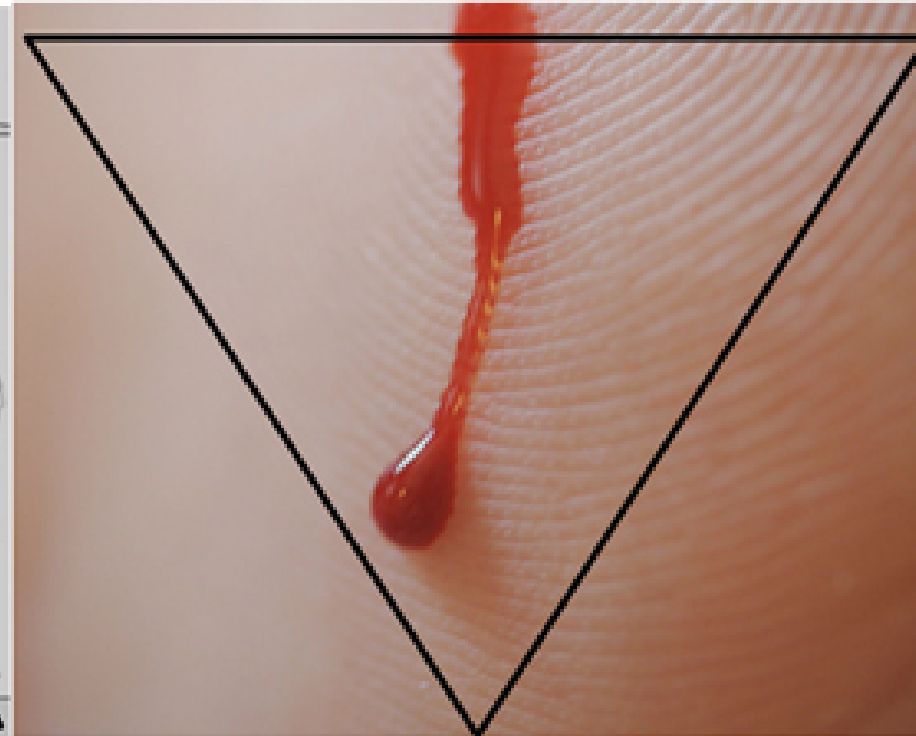
Identify important exogenous exposures



Measure chemicals in air, water & food

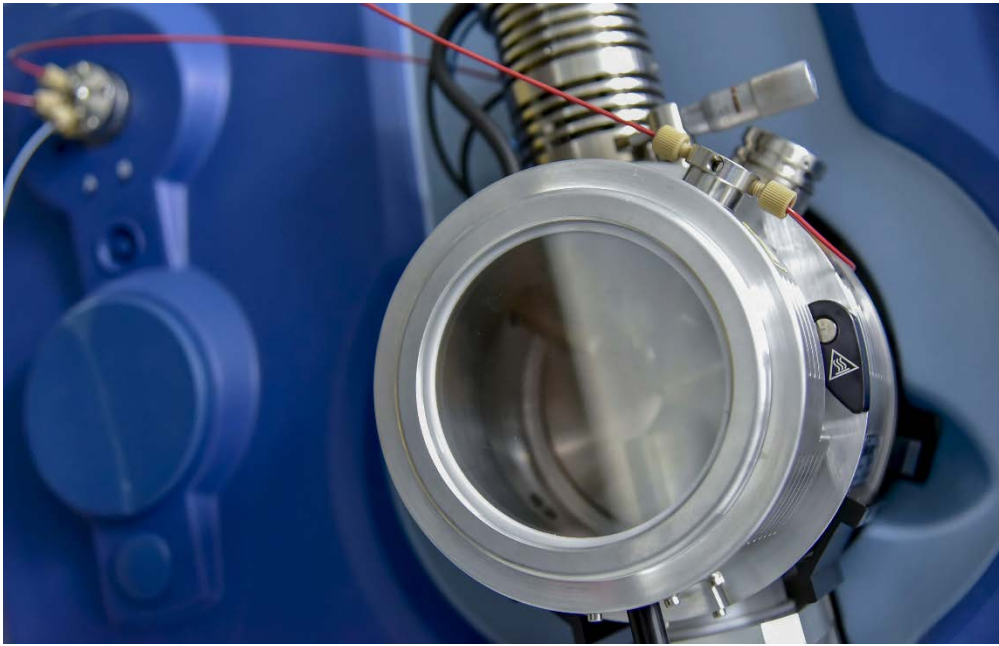
Top-down Exposomics

Measure chemicals in blood



Identify all important exposures

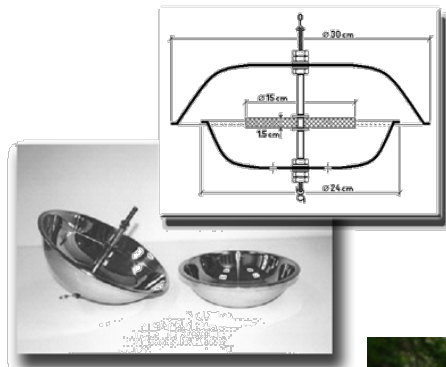
Trace analytical laboratories (TAL)



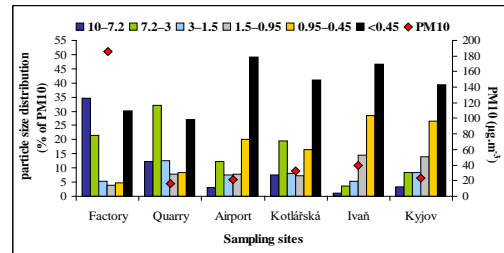
TAL major activities

- Development of samplers for non-polar and polar compounds contamination and development of analytical methods for selected chemicals, pollutants and their metabolites in the human exposure studies
- Laboratory and field studies, programs of integrated monitoring

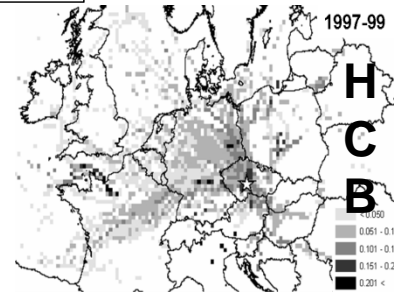
passive samplers



atmospheric particles



primary and secondary sources

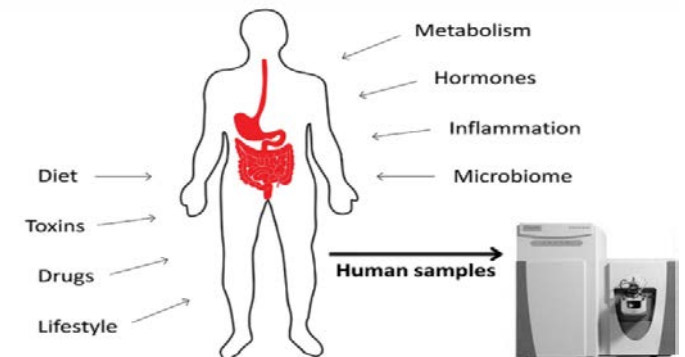


long-range transport

natural disasters



Human exposition



- **RECETOX Laboratory services**

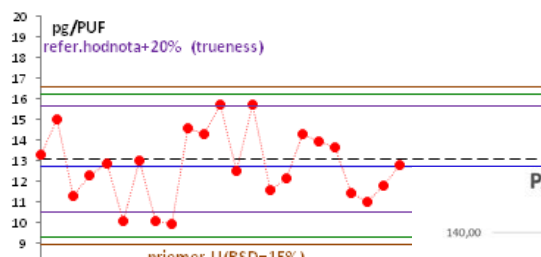
- Sampling

- Samples preparation

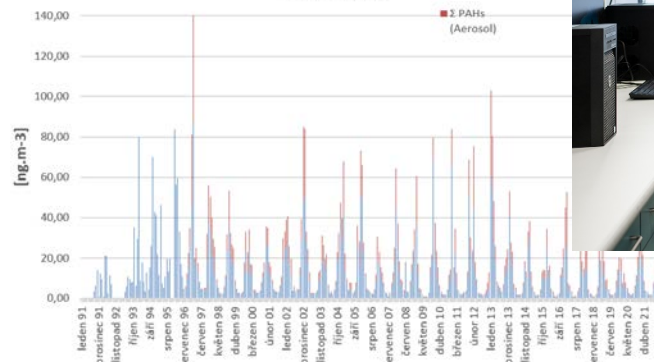


- Analysis and data evaluation

- QA/QC system



PAHs in Ambient Air - Košetice 1990-2021
Month Averages



- Monitoring studies



Compounds analysed

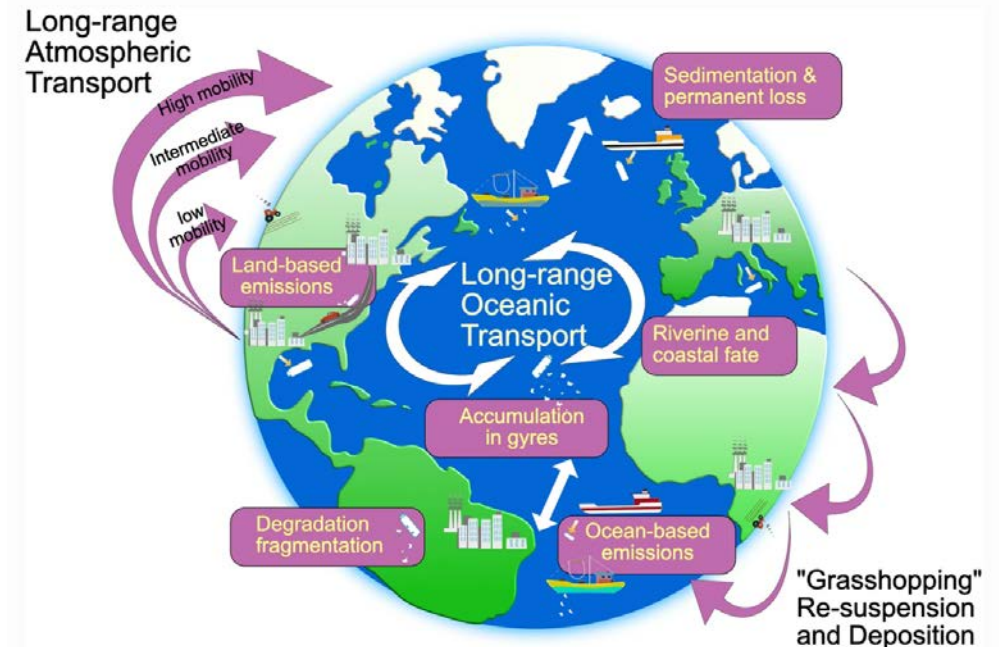
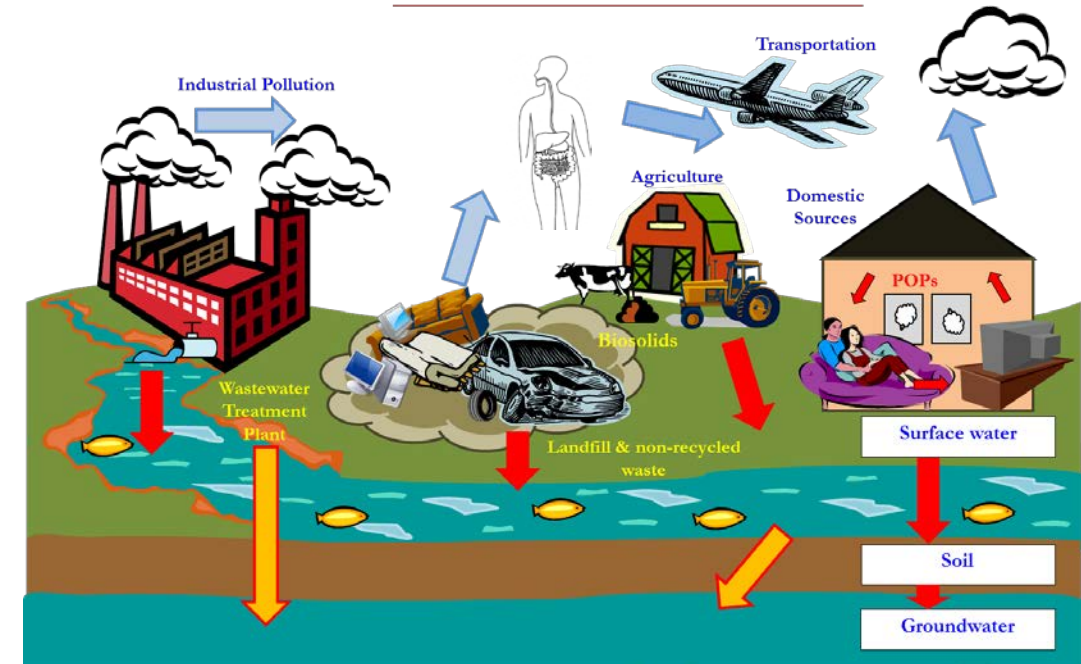
Organic pollutants:

- Polychlorinated dibenzo-*p*-dioxins/furans (PCDDs/Fs)
- Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) – indicator and dioxin-like
- Brominated and organophosphorus flame retardants
- Organochlorine, cyclodiene, and polar pesticides
- Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), NO_x-, and oxy-PAHs
- Perfluorinated compounds (PFAS)
- Bisphenols
- plasticizers
- Thyroid hormones
- UV filters – benzophenone
- Mycotoxins

Metabolites:

- OH-PAHs
- Phthalates metabolites + DINCH
- Pesticides metabolites

Trace elements, heavy metals, and species



Trace Analytical Laboratories - accredited



Equipped by: GC-MS/MSs, GC-HRMSs, LC-MS/MSs, (LC)-ICP-MS/MS, AAS

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Accredited matrices:

- Outdoor / indoor air
- Surface water
- Sediments, soils
- Food, foodstuffs
- Cell tissues
- Human matrices

Analytes:

- PCDDs/Fs, dl-PCBs, ind. PCBs
- PBDEs
- PAHs, OCPs
- PFAS
- metals

GC/MS, LC/MS, ICP-MS

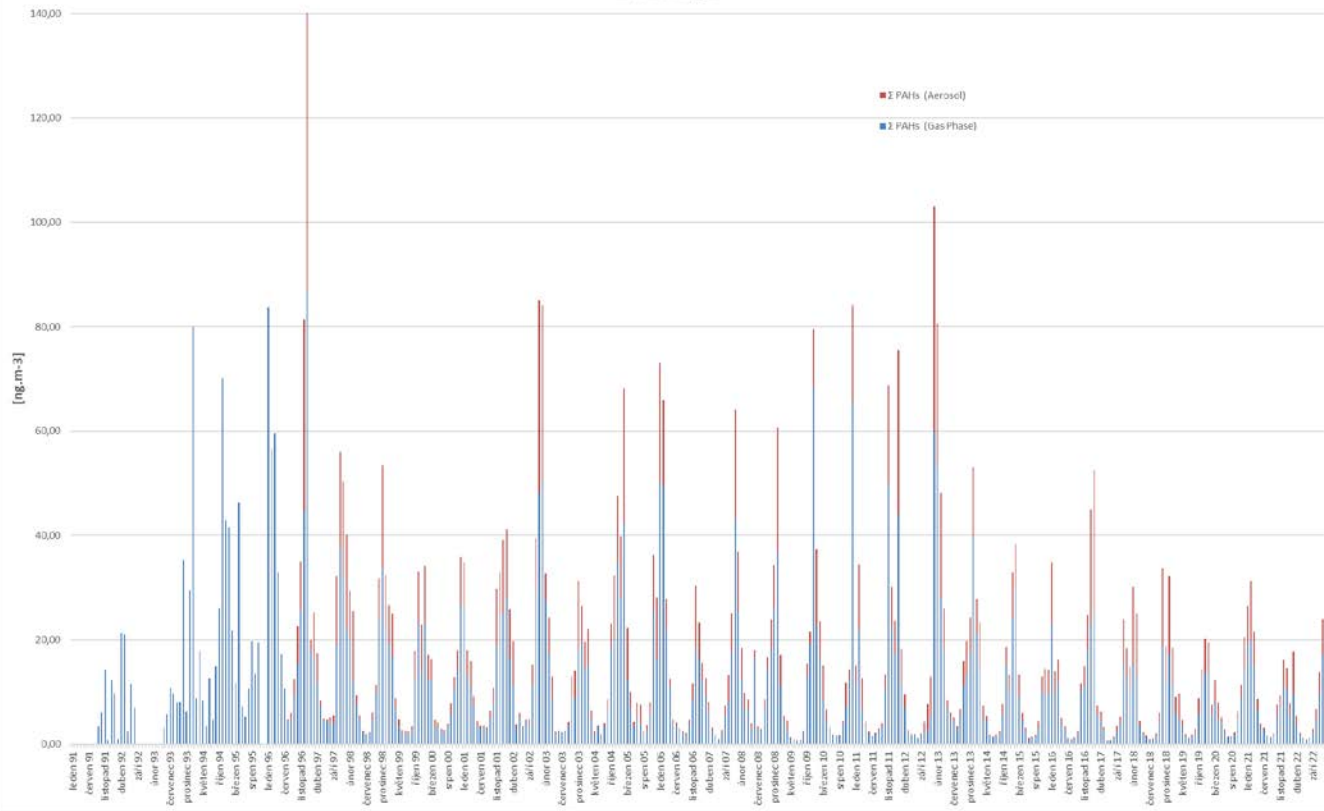
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Active air samplers

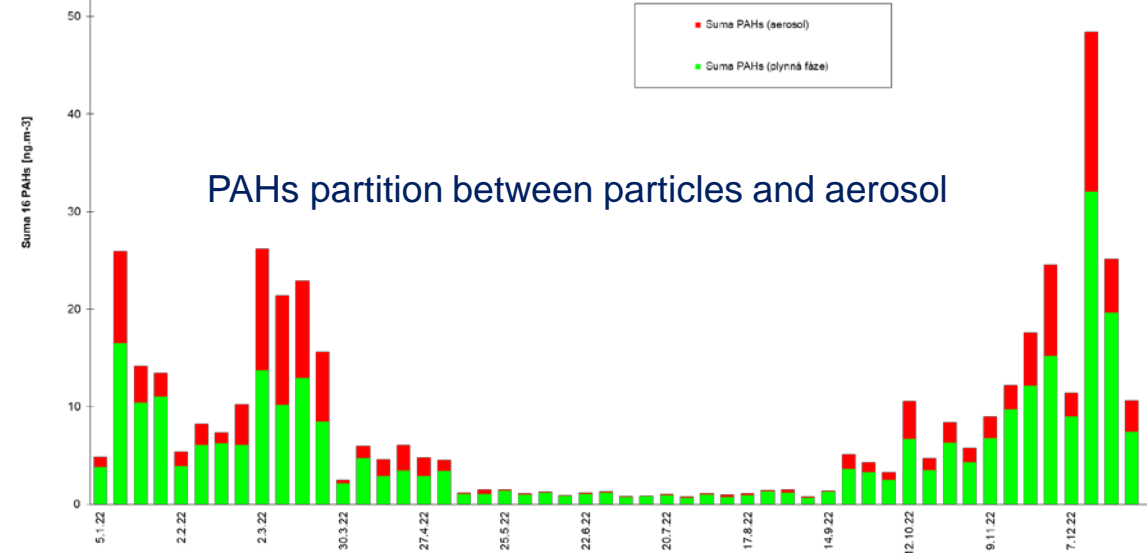
Trends in PAHs concentrations

PAHs in Ambient Air - Košetice 1990-2022

Month Averages

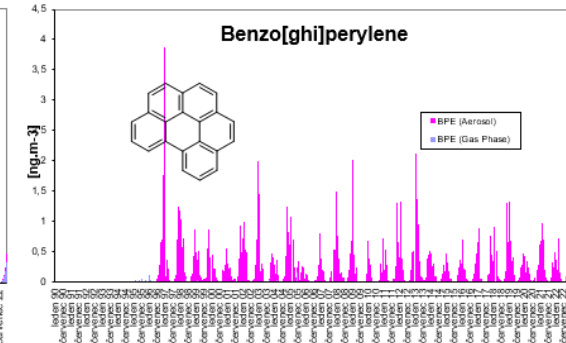
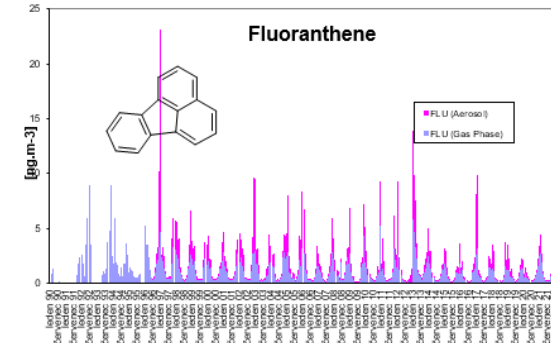
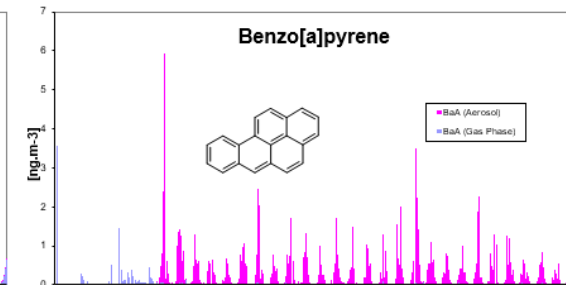
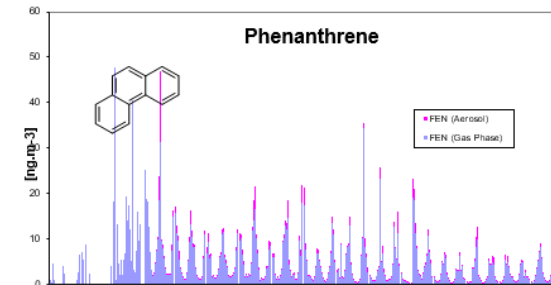


PAHs partition between particles and aerosol



Distribution of PAHs between Gas Phase and Aerosol - Observatory Košetice 1990 - 2022

Month Averages [$\text{ng}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$]



Data usage

- **Data** are used in monitoring programs:

EMEP (European Monitoring Environmental programme,

UNEP (UN Environmental program with GMP like Global Monitoring Plan),

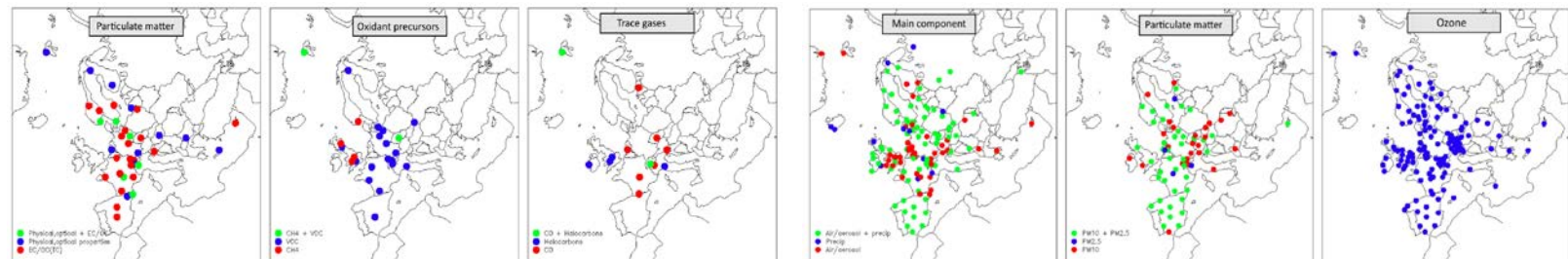
UNECE (UN Economic Commission for Europe with LRTAP),

MONET_CZ, MONET_EU, MONET_Africa (Monitoring Networks established by RECETOX)

ACTRIS (The Aerosol, Clouds and Trace Gases Research Infrastructure)

HBM4EU, PARC consortia

Norman water quality monitoring



Stockholm and Basel Conventions Regional Centres - UNEP



- Stockholm Convention Regional Centre for Capacity Building and the Transfer of Technology
- Nominated Stockholm Convention Centre

Technology transfer + capacity building;

RECETOX: SC Regional centre in the Central and Eastern European (CEE) region with the activities far beyond the region

Biomarker Analytical Laboratories (BAL RI)

- Integrative platform to identify chemical exposure, quantify biological response and assess the effects on molecular health, primarily serving environmental scientists, molecular epidemiologists, clinicians, and clinical researchers.
- Panels based on core molecular signatures at intersection of hallmarks of health (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cell.2020.11.034>) and hallmarks of environmental insults (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cell.2021.01.043>).
- Assays have been specifically tailored to answer clinical demand.
- Main focus on cancer, neurology & cardiometabolic health outcomes.

Immunity



Inflammation



Co-metabolism



Redox



Signalling

Panels of health markers

Inflammation protein panel - Dried blood spot (DBS), serum, plasma

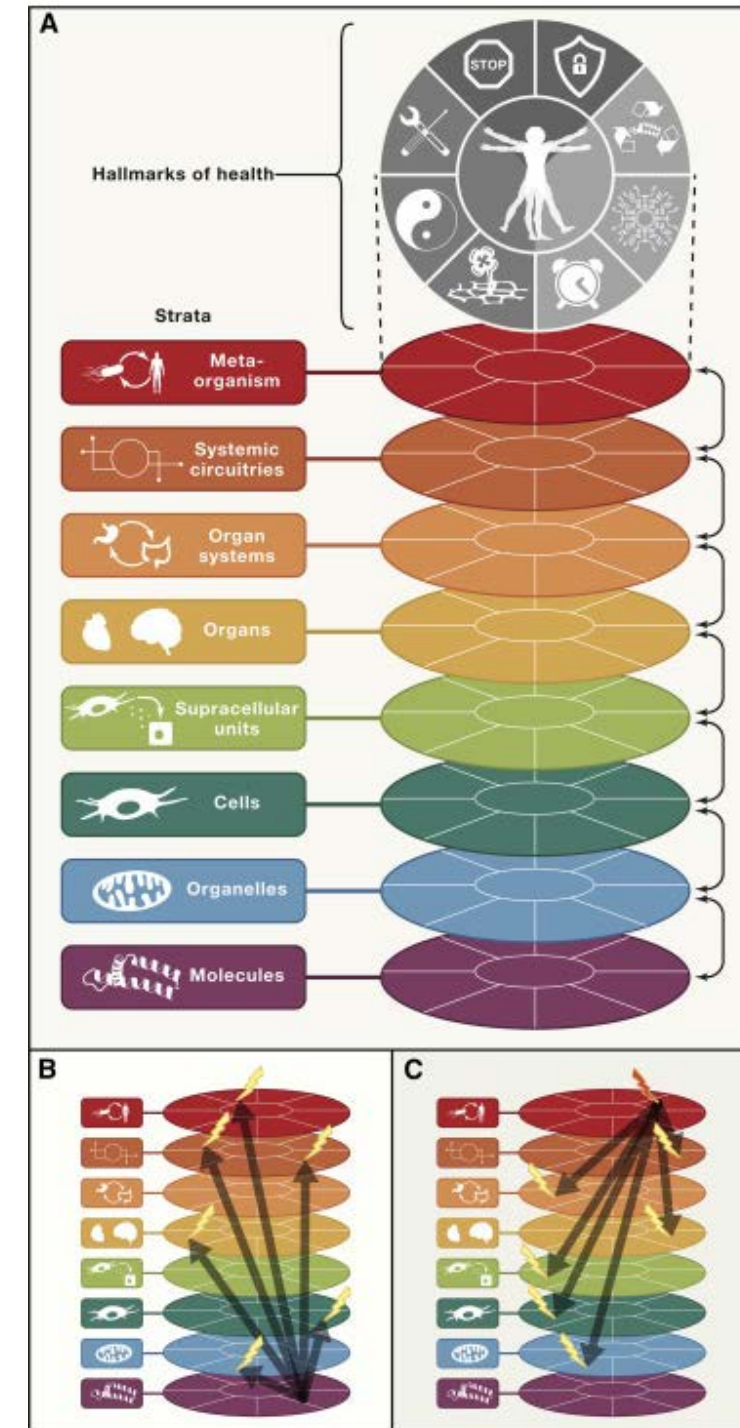
- Inflammatory proteins SAA1, SAA2, SAA4, CRP, A1AT, A1AG including proteoforms and adaptive immunity effector IGHA1.
- Quantification of inflammatory proteins is essential to distinguish between harmful and beneficial immune response.
- Comparable results to routine immunonephelometry but able to measure quantify proteoforms and using smaller sample size.

Immune protein marker panel – Fecal swabs

- Immunity markers A1AT, ECP, EDN, MPO, CAL1, CAL2 and adaptive immunity effectors IGHA1 & IGHA2.
- Suitable for neonates with relevance for investigation of intestinal mucosal barrier homeostasis and inflammatory response.
- Fecal swabs

Microbial co-metabolite panel - DBS, serum, plasma, urine, fecal swabs

- Microbiome co-metabolites 5-hydroxyindolacetate, 5-hydroxy-l-tryptophan, 5-methoxy-3-indolacetic acid, anthranilate, indole-3-acetamide, indole-3-acetate, indole-3-aldehyde, indole-3-butyric acid, indole-3-lactic acid, indole-3-propionic acid, L-kynurenine, L-tryptophan, melatonin, methyl indole-3-acetate, methyl indole-3-propionic acid, N-acetyl tryptophan, serotonin, tryptamine.
- Circulating microbial metabolites reflect the diversity of human gut microbiota. Method applicable to numerous sample types, including application neonates.



Small molecule screening

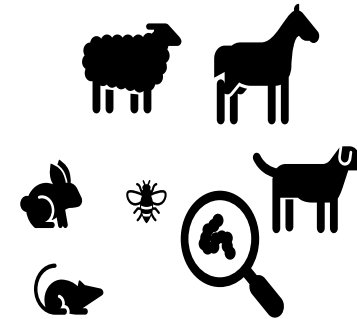
- Parallel screening of chemical agents and metabolites for discovery-driven research
- Detect novel associations of chemical exposure with biological response.
- Identify chemicals of known, emerging and future potential concern in a single analysis.
- Plasma & serum
- Applied to numerous projects, incl. policy-focused
 - European Human Biomonitoring Initiative (HBM4EU)
 - European Human Exposome Network (EHEN)
 - European Partnership for the Assessment of Risks from Chemicals (PARC)



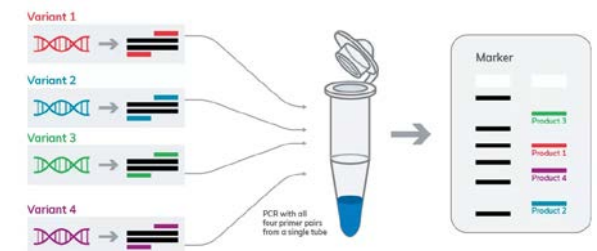
Microbiome Labs

- a new core facility of the RECETOX RI, which analyzes the bacterial profile using constantly modernizing methods
- The laboratory has experience mainly **with human samples** processing typical for microbiome research, such as **stools** and **buccal swabs, meconium**.
- We also process **environmental samples**, where we focus on **dust, water or soil microbiome**.
- Our laboratories' experienced experts use verified and standardized procedures for **DNA isolation, library preparation, and sequencing**, including all necessary control steps.

Samples



- Preparation of a library for **16S rRNA gene** including experimental design, **DNA isolation, preparation of amplicons** (V4 region) and **sequencing** on Illumina MiSeq instrument.
- Preparation of a library for ITS gene, including experimental design, DNA isolation, preparation of amplicons and sequencing on Illumina MiSeq instrument.
- Preparation of a library for **whole metagenomic sequencing** (WMGS) including experimental design, DNA isolation, library preparation using Nextera DNA Flex Library Prep (Illumina) and sequencing on Illumina NextSeq instrument.



CELSPAC Population cohorts



- 1960s: > 500 mother-child pairs



- 1990s: ELSPAC parents



- 2020s: ELSPAC follow up



- 2020s: CELSPAC_TNG, >1000 mother-child pairs



- 2010s: KARDIOVIZE, >2000 individuals



- 2000s: HAPIEE

CELSPAC platform services

- Study design, protocol, SOP, ethical clearance
- Sample collection, preparation, analysis and long-term biobanking according to validated SOPs and QA/QC
- Analysis of basic biomarkers (creatinine, albumin, thyroid hormones, blood lipids - cholesterol, triglycerides, HDL, LDL), and immunomarkers (IgG; IgM; IgE; interleukins)



- Biobanking of in-house and external samples and harmonisation of data
- Longitudinal follow up
- Access to samples and data (also via BBMRI)

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Central European Longitudinal Studies of Parents and Children

Pavel Piler, Ph.D.

16. 10. 2024



We look after the CELSPAC population studies.



More than 36,000 active participants since 2013

Participants from different age groups

EXPOSOME Multidisciplinary Research

Study of factors affecting health throughout life

CELSPAC POPULATION STUDIES



- Birth cohort from 1991 – 1992
- Brno and Znojmo
- 7,589 mother-child pairs
- Followed for 20 years through the questionnaires
- Children re-examined as 30 years old = Young Adults cohort
- Re-examination of the child's parents = Ageing cohort



CELSPAC TNG

- The Next Generation – birth cohort
- 3,000 mother-child pairs from 2018
- Exposome cohort
- Biobanking / Omics methods
- Online validated questionnaires / Health Records



Cohort Profile

Cohort Profile: The European Longitudinal Study of Pregnancy and Childhood (ELSPAC) in the Czech Republic

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Original Investigation | Public Health

Association of Maternal Depression During Pregnancy and Recent Stress With Brain Age Among Adult Offspring

Klara Mareckova, PhD; Radek Mareček, PhD; Martin Jani, PhD; Lenka Zackova, MSc; Lenka Andryskova, PhD; Milan Brazdil, MD, PhD; Yuliya S. Nikolova, PhD

General and abdominal adiposity and hypertension in eight world regions: a pooled analysis of 837 population-based studies with 7.5 million participants



NCD Risk Factor Collaboration (NCD-RisC)*



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Association between Stress Urinary Incontinence and Depressive Symptoms after Birth: the Czech ELSPAC Study

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Simultaneous quantitative profiling of clinically relevant immune markers in neonatal stool swabs to reveal inflammation

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CELSPAC POPULATION STUDIES

PROSECO

- Prospective coronavirus seroprevalence study (2020-2022)
- 30,000 participants from the Czech Republic
- Antibodies against SARS-CoV-2
- Three six-month-long periods (pandemic, vaccination, post-vaccination period)
- Rest of the samples in the biobank for further research

HAPIEE

- Czech Republic, Poland, Lithuania and Russia
- 30,000 participants aged 45-69 years
- Enrolled between 2002 and 2005; 3 waves of follow-up
- Association between rapid social and economic transition and population health

communications medicine

ARTICLE

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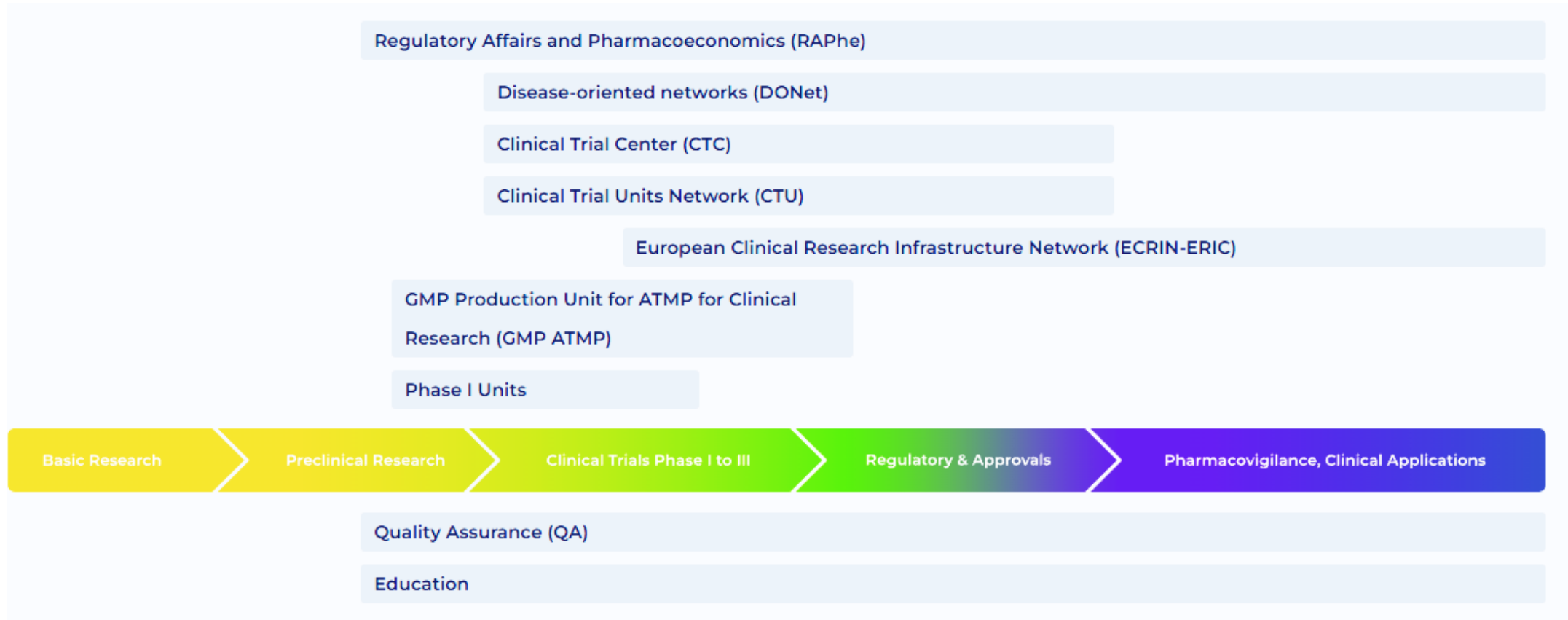


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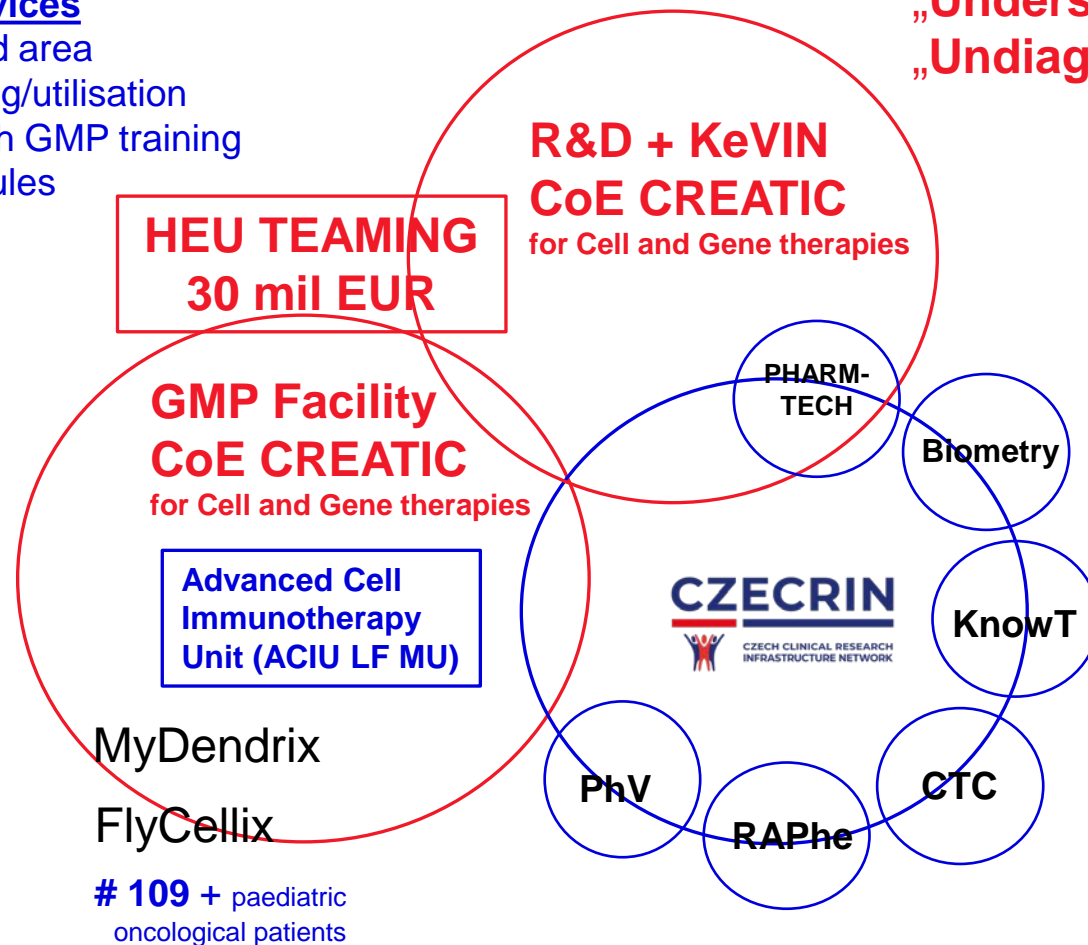
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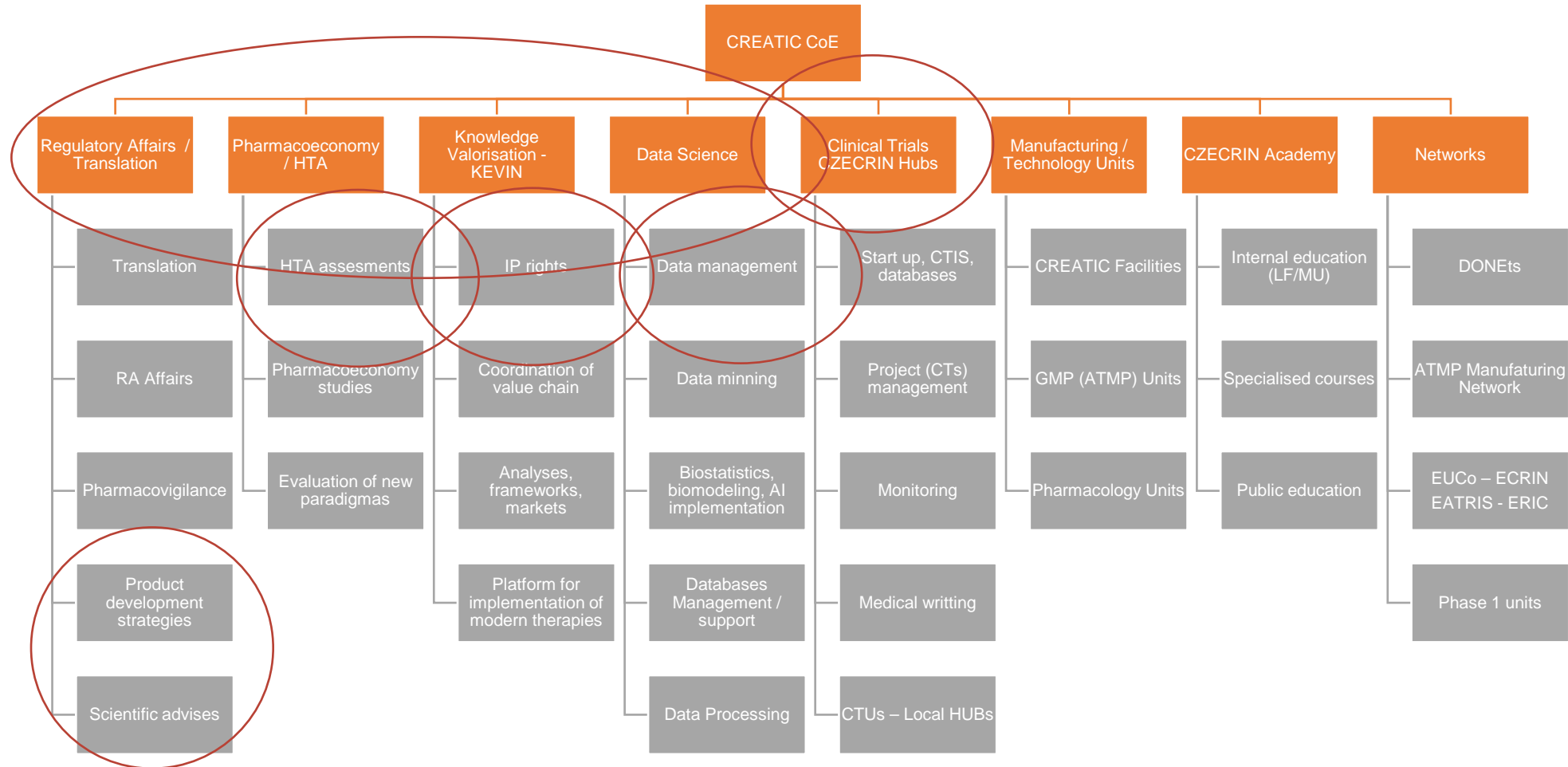


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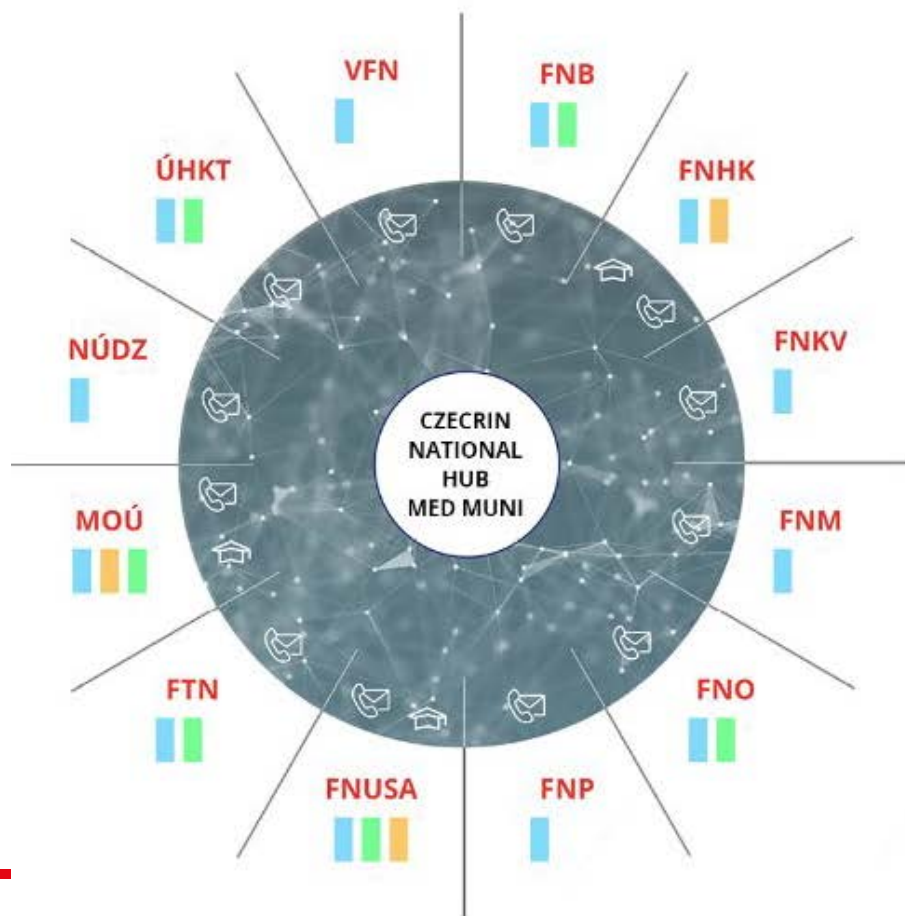
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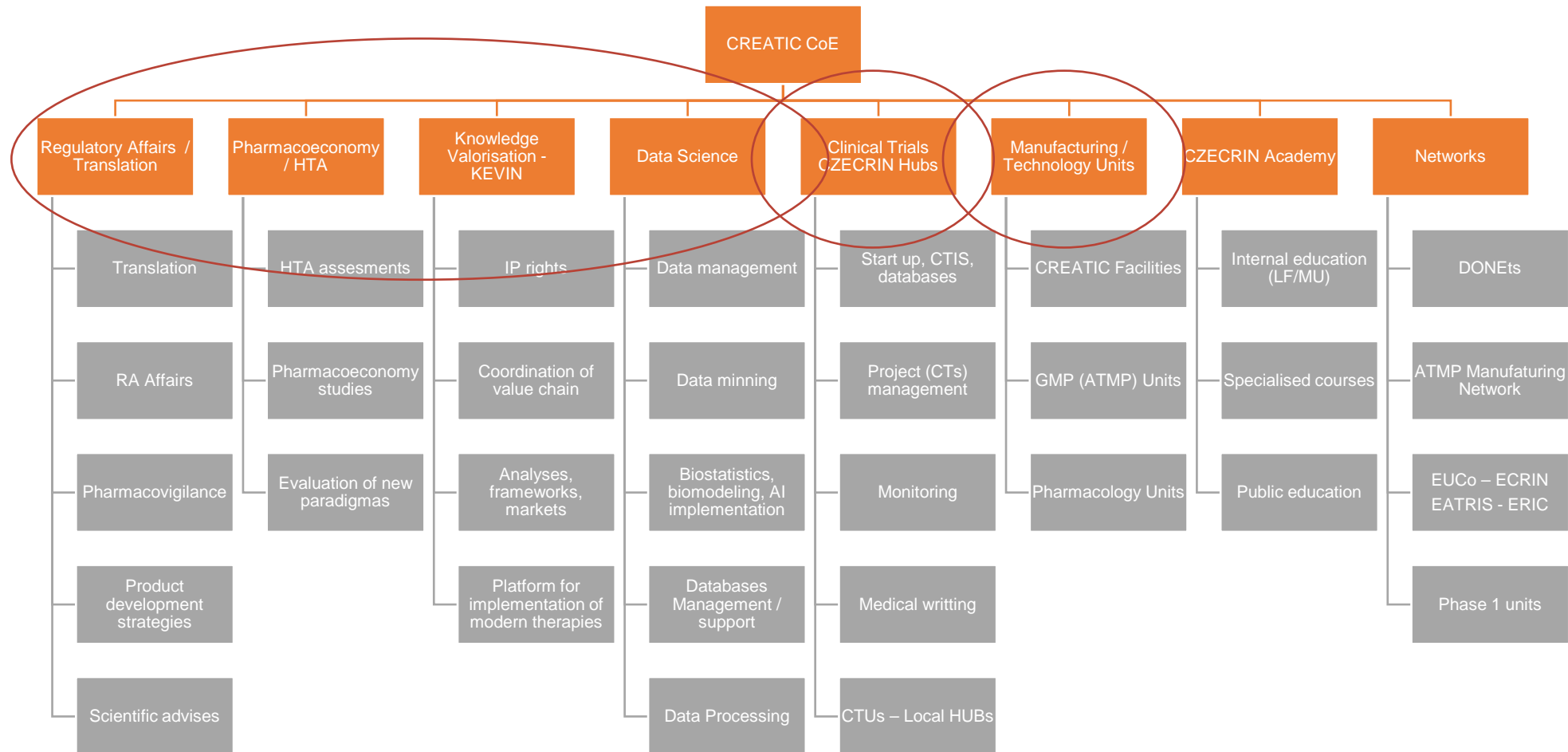
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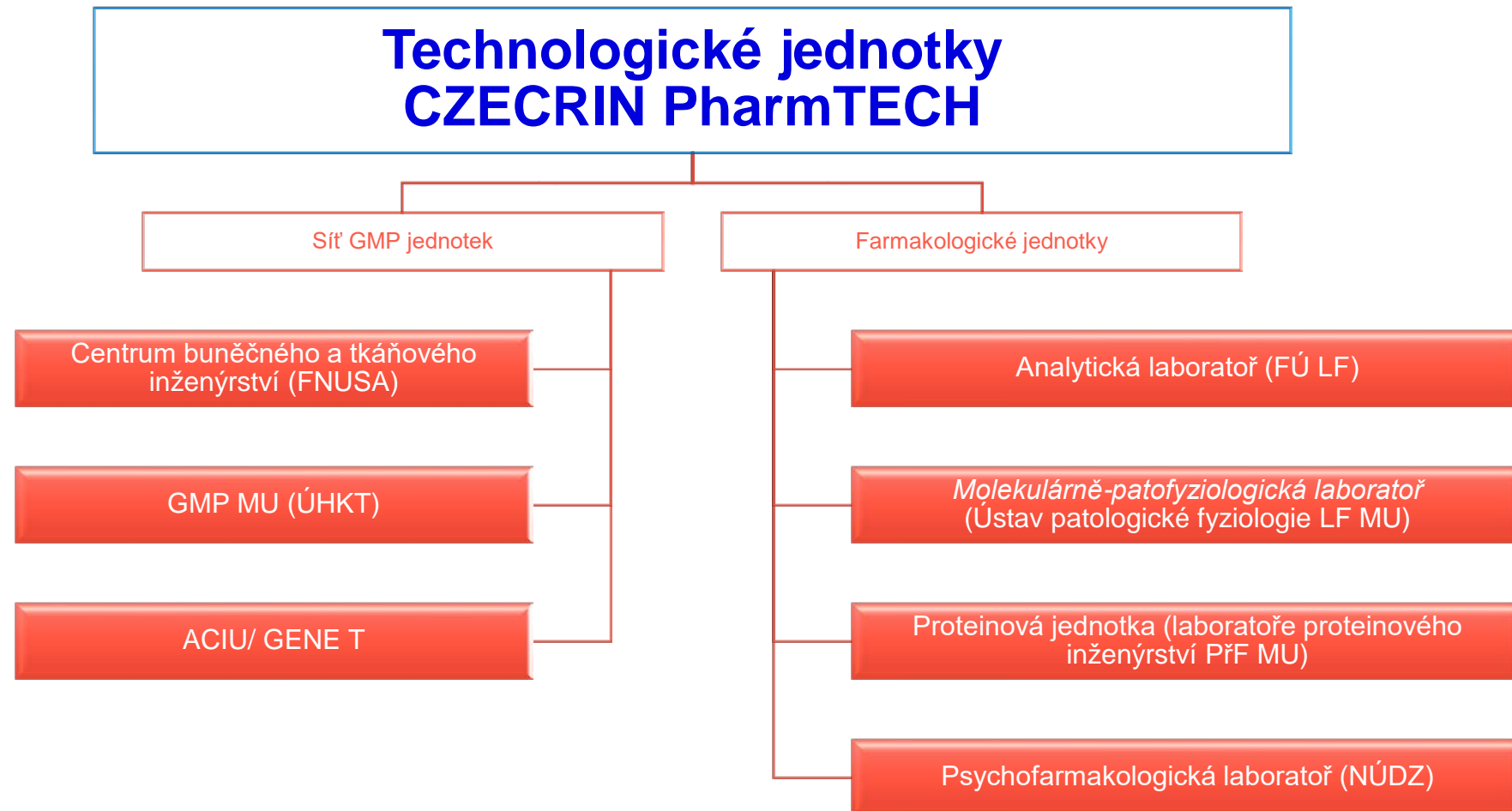
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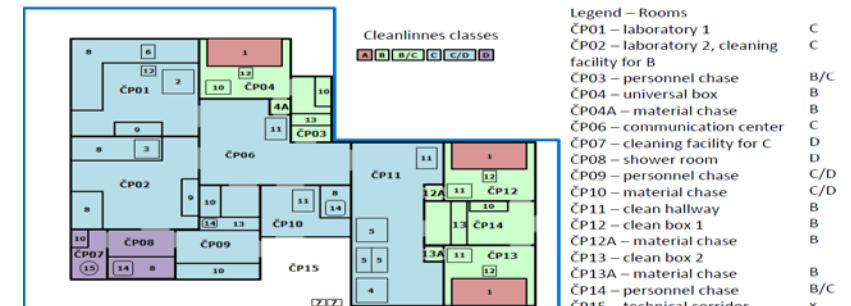
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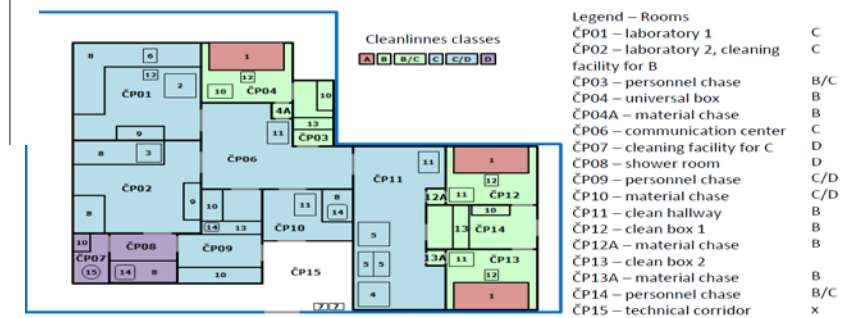


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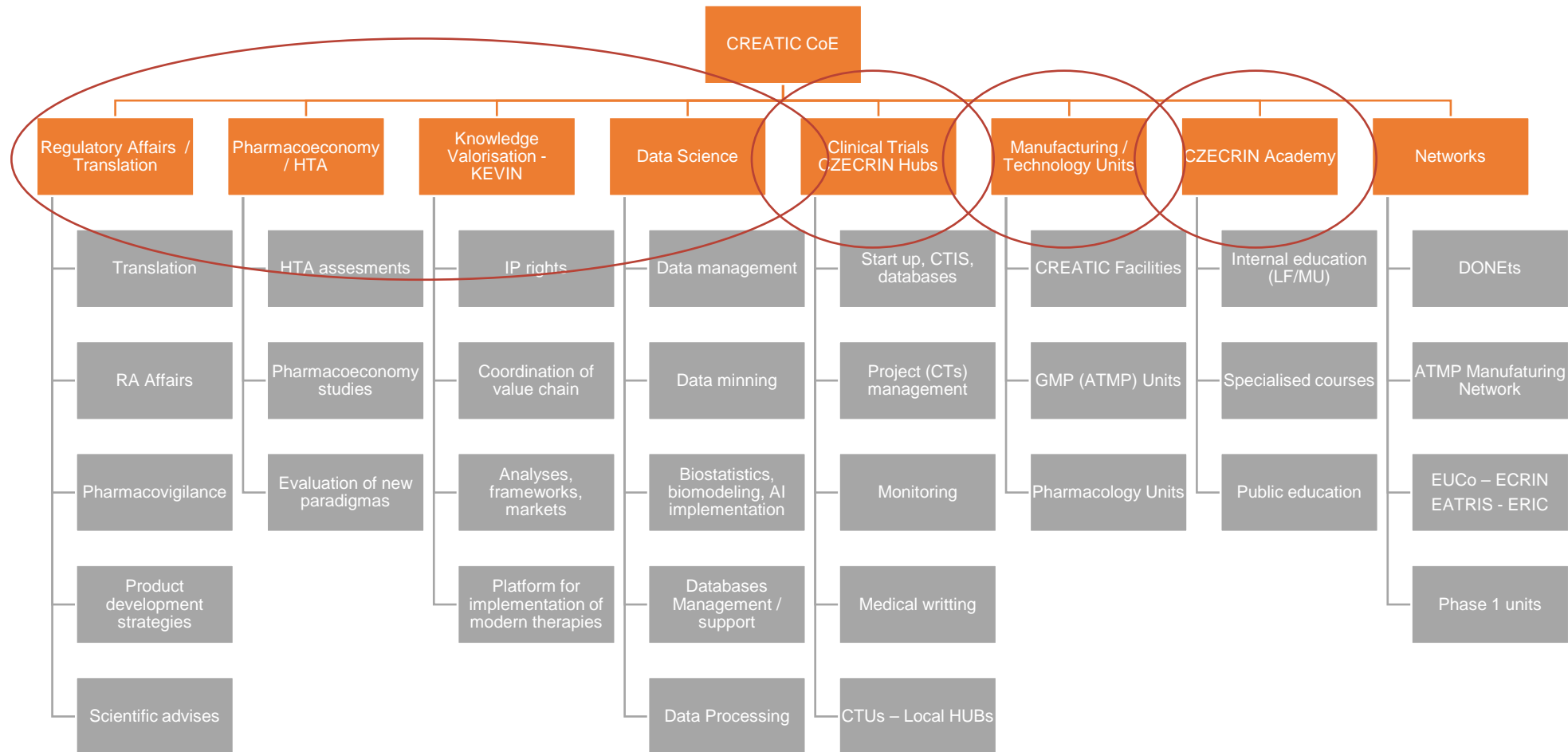


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Use of free radial forearm and pronator quadratus muscle flap: Anatomical study and clinical application

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Summary The authors present an anatomical study and clinical experience with radial forearm flap (RFF) and pronator quadratus muscle (PQM) application in the reconstruction of various body areas. The aim was to describe the anatomical placement and proportions of the PQM, the anatomical location of the major arterial branch of the radial artery supplying the PQM, and the application of this knowledge in clinical practice.

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Letter to the editor

Proximal- or radial-based dorsal capsulotomy? The importance of a proper cadaver study

Une capsulotomie dorsale à base proximale ou radiale?
L'importance d'une étude cadavérique appropriée

Dear editor-in-chief,

We read with great interest the article 'A new capsulotomy-based dorsal approach to the wrist: A cadaver study', where the authors described a modification of the commonly used approach. The new dorsal approach to the wrist joint, suggested by the authors, uses 'U-shaped with proximal base' capsulotomy. The ulnar longitudinal incision is made on the triquetrum bone insertion of the dorsal intercarpal ligament (DICL) and dorsal radiocarpal ligament (DRCL). The radial border is located in the extension of the medial edge of the radial styloid process. Finally, the capsular flap is created with incision along the DICL. The authors considered capsular flap healing more effective by maintaining the vascular supply via the dorsal branches of the anterior interosseous artery. In addition, they described the dorsal radiocarpal arch (DRCA) running along the radiocarpal joint line while the dorsal intercarpal arch (DICA) followed a trajectory parallel to the distal insertion of the DICL. The terminal branches of the anterior interosseous artery were described as having a longitudinal course, anastomosing with both of the arterial arches [1].

However, in their anatomical studies, Mestdagh et al. [2], Gelbermann et al. [3] and Kuhlmann et al. [4] found the DICA to be the largest, formed by the constant dominant branch – ramus carpus dorsalis – which originated from the radial artery in most cases just behind the trapezium. The dorsal carpal branch was the strongest blood vessel contributing to the arcade and contributed the greatest part in the supply to the dorsal capsule of the wrist. The radial part of the DICA provided the supplying branches running upward to the proximal row of the carpal bones. The DRCA was the second largest, and both of the arches were formed by the anastomosis of the terminal branches of the radial, ulnar and anterior interosseous arteries [2–4]. From our experience and from the aforementioned sources, it is clear that the arterial vascular supply to the dorsal portion of the carpal joint capsule is provided by the radial branches of the DICA (Fig. 1). The dorsal carpal branch is the dominant artery running distally or along the course of the DICL. The radial supplying branches run upward and across the DICL. The branches of the radial portion of the DICA are larger, more numerous and more constant than the dorsal branches of the anterior interosseous artery. Therefore, the modified proximal-based capsulotomy suggested by Athlani et al. [1] would not correlate with the position of the blood vessels and would affect the blood supply to the created flap. The radial and distal capsular incisions would interrupt crossing branches originating from the radial portion of the DICA. Due to the small number of specimens,

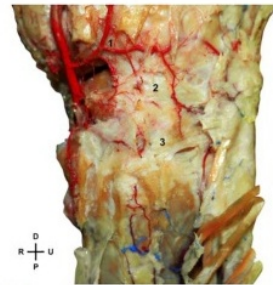


Fig. 1. Blood supply of the dorsal portion of the radiocarpal joint after injection of the radial (red), interosseous (blue) and ulnar (yellow) arteries. 1: dorsal carpal branch; 2: dorsal intercarpal ligament; 3: dorsal radiocarpal ligament.

the cadaver study with vascularization may not be a representative sample of the population. In order to preserve the vascularization of the capsular flap, its vitality and healing capacity, we would suggest capsulotomy with incisions respecting the position of the radial branches of the DICA crossing the DICL.

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The authors declare that they have no competing interests.

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Abstract

With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, a problem arose with classic body donation programmes for obtaining cadavers for anatomical dissections, science and research. The question has emerged whether bodies of individuals who died of COVID-19 or were infected by SARS-CoV-2 could be admitted to Departments of Anatomy. To determine the risk of SARS-CoV-2 transmission to employees or students, the presence and stability of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in cadavers after fixation agents' application and subsequent post-fixation baths over time were examined. The presence of viral RNA in swabs from selected tissues was assessed by the standardized routine RNA isolation protocol and subsequent real-time PCR analysis. To support the results obtained from the tissue swabs, samples of RNA were exposed in vitro to short and long-term exposure to the components of the injection and fixation solutions used for the bodies' conservation. Substantial removal of SARS-CoV-2 RNA was observed in post-mortem tissue following perfusion with 3.5% phenol, 2.2% formaldehyde, 11.8% glycerol and 55% ethanol, and subsequent post-fixation in an ethanol bath. In vitro experiments showed significant effects of formaldehyde on SARS-CoV-2 RNA, while phenol and ethanol showed only negligible effects. We conclude that cadavers subjected to fixation protocols as described here should not pose a considerable risk of SARS-CoV-2 infection while being handled by students and staff and are, therefore, suitable for routine anatomical dissections and teaching.

Keywords Embalming · Dissection · Infections · Coronavirus · Polymerase chain reaction

Further development

- BioBanking – control tissues available for clinical research
- OP TAK application – development of the SAC, new equipment, testing and research

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Preclinical Center (PC) MU

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What is the Preclinical Center?

Cluster of core facilities :

- to support teaching and research using *in vivo* and *ex vivo* models
- to provide services using these models

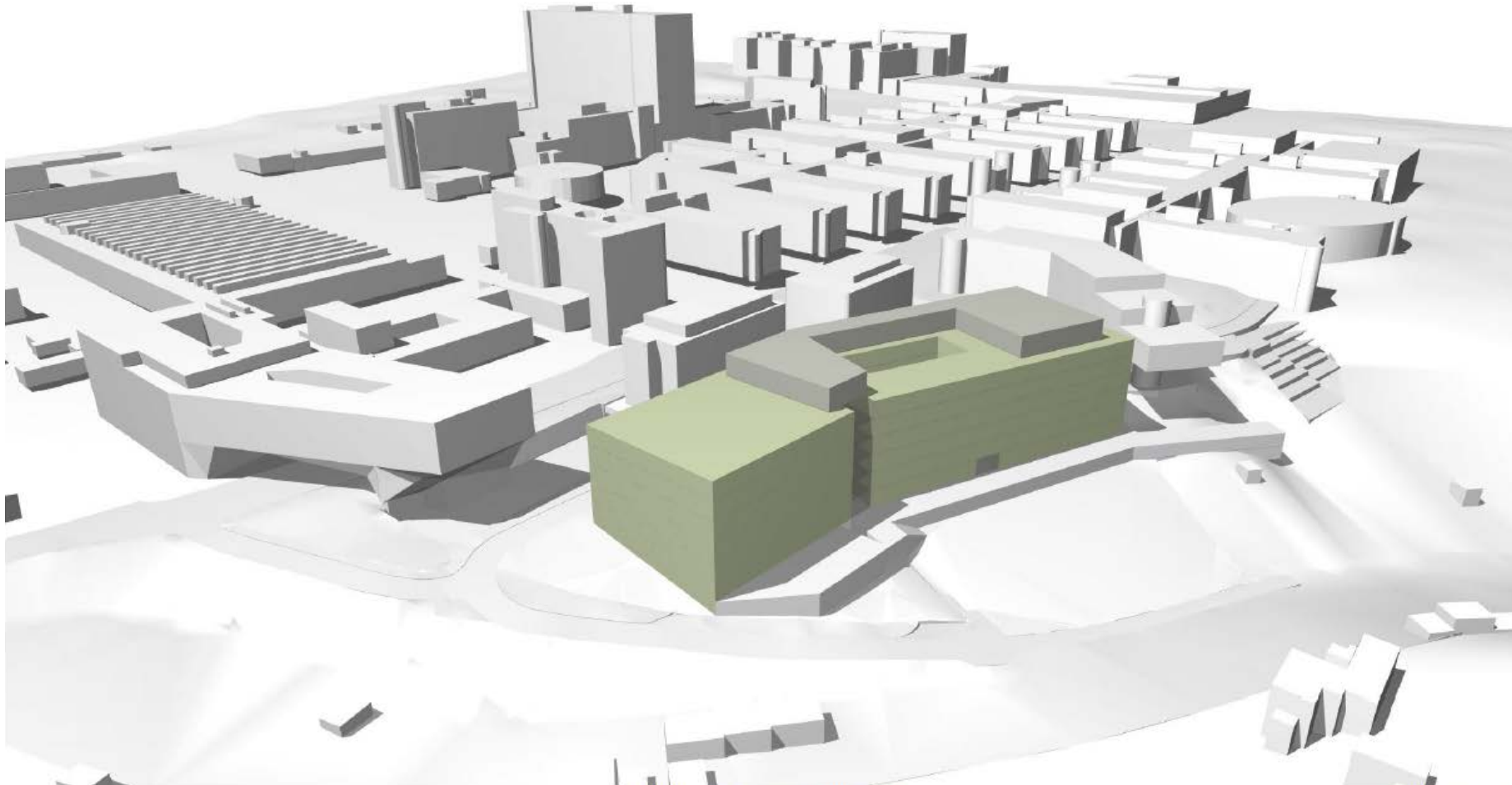
Enable Res&Dev with defined impact on clinical medicine

Develop effective interdisciplinary interactions

Create a base for participation in international projects

Target Res&Dev to the most modern ones in the field of biomedicine

PC as a part of BioPharma Hub MU





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PC structure

- The PC will consist of functional modules, so-called units, which will concentrate specific know-how
- units for animal ("*in vivo*") and human/cellular ("*ex vivo*") models will be logically and logistically integrated into one physical and functional unit
- The PC will be organically integrated into the scientific research axis existing at the Bohunice University Campus (UKB) and will thus complete the local unique environment of a globally competitive biomedical research center
- PC MUNI will operate as an entity open to internal and external researchers and commercial partners

PC units

In vivo models

- Mouse/Rat Breeding Unit (Core Breeding)
- Tumor Models Unit
- Experimental Surgery Unit
- Unit for Neurobehavioral Experiments
- Pharmacological-toxicological unit
- In vivo imaging unit
- Electrophysiology unit
- Zebrafish facility
- BSL-3 laboratories for animal experiments

Ex vivo models

- Tissue Culture and Genetic Modification Unit
- Organoid Unit
- Immunology and Flow Cytometry Unit
- Histopathology and Hematology Unit

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**Units for
In vivo models**



Mouse/Rat Breeding Unit

– Research

- "core" breeding (SPF - Specific Pathogen Free)
- all long-term maintained strains of mice and rats, including genetically modified ones, will be located here
- experiments will not be carried out here

– Contract research

- paid breeding of mice/rats for external users
- cryostorage
- embryotrasfer

Experimental Surgery Unit

– Research

- support unit
- enables all surgical interventions on living animals (e.g. implantation of engineered tissues and organs, implantation of sensors for in vivo telemetric monitoring of functions, ...)

– Contract research

- identical to the research activities mentioned above

Unit for Neurobehavioral Experiments

– Research

- research in psychiatry, neuroscience and pharmacology

– Contract research

- validated behavioral testing of drug effects
- normal animals as well as models of neuropsychiatric diseases

Tumor Models Unit

– Research

- mechanisms of tumor formation and progression
- development of anticancer strategies

– Contract research

- development of models of the formation and development of tumors - transgenic animals
- testing substances for their antitumor effect in mouse and PDX models

Pharmacological-toxicological unit

– Research

- support unit
- enables basic safety, toxicokinetic and pharmacokinetic testing of substances (part of drug development)
- it is closely related to the Unit for Experimental Surgery and the Unit for Histopathology and Hematology

– Contract research

- identical to the research activities mentioned above

In vivo imaging unit

– Research

- support unit
- enables imaging of biological processes in living animals in high spatial and temporal resolution
- key instrumentation is microCT and a multiphoton in vivo microscope
- has a close relationship with the Unit for Experimental Surgery

– Contract research

- identical to the research activities mentioned above

Unit for breeding and experiments on *Danio rerio* (zebrafish facility)

– Research

- support/research unit
- zebrafish maintenance, production of transgenic lines of fish and research in the field of developmental biology and biomedicine
- drug development

– Contract research

- preparation of transgenic fish (models for research)
- testing the effects of substances (pharmaceuticals)

BSL-3 laboratories for animal experiments

– Research

- research unit
- enables research of pathogenic infectious agents classified as biological risk level 3 on live laboratory animals (mice, rats)
- the unit will be equipped with all the instrumentation for monitoring the animals' vital functions and analyzing the samples taken

– Contract research

- testing of new anti-infective drugs and vaccines

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**Units for
Ex vivo models**



Histopathology and Hematology Unit

– Research

- support unit
- provides a comprehensive histopathological and hematological examination of laboratory mice and rats, including a qualified description of the findings
- ensures the dissection of tissue samples (animal and human) and their preparation for processing in other units

– Contract research

- mouse/rat examination

Tissue Culture and Genetic Modification Unit

– Research

- support/research unit
- ensures the basic techniques of in vitro cell cultivation and their standardization
- develops new cell culture and testing strategies, establishes new primary lines from tissue samples
- prepares genetically modified cell lines

– Contract research

- preparation of genetically modified cells
- testing substances on cells
- design and implementation of targeted cell assays
- testing of cytotoxicity, pharmacodynamics, etc.

Organoid Unit

– Research

- support/research unit
- provides and develops procedures for ex vivo creation of 3D structures imitating tissues and organs (organoids)
- enables the use of organoids for research into developmental processes and disease pathogenesis
- offers testing of substances (pharmaceuticals) using organoids
- special technologies such as 3D bioprinting and microfluidics
- it is closely related to the Unit for Immunology and Flow Cytometry

– Contract research

- testing substances using organoids

Immunology and Flow Cytometry Unit

– Research

- support unit
- realizes the most advanced analysis and isolation (sorting) of cells by flow cytometry and microfluidic techniques, including specialized preparation of cells for their subsequent examination (in vivo application, "single cell" proteomics and genomics, ...)
- closely linked to the Unit for Tissue Culture and Genetic Modification, the Unit for Experimental Surgery and the Unit for Organoids

– Contract research

- analysis of cell phenotypes and immune system changes, especially in coordination with other PC units

Biobank

– Research

- support unit
- enables the storage of patient tissue samples (in cooperation with FN) and samples that are the result of Res&Dev implemented in PC
- storage of these two types of samples is completely separate in fully robotic high-capacity N₂ tanks

– Contract research

- provision of unique samples (or their analysis in other Units)

– Service

- long-term storage of samples, including keeping appropriate records

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GMP Pilot Plant for drug formulations

Jan Gajdziok, CF Day Life Sciences, 16 October 2024



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GMP PILOT PLANT

Intro & Motivation

GMP Pilot Plant

- part of R&D of innovative and generic drugs - **processing** of API into suitable **application form**
- small-batch manufacturing site operated under **Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP)**, serving to develop drug formulations and **produce small-scale (clinical) batches of drugs (1-10 kg)**
- help **researchers** and **companies** with limited possibilities in **manufacturing small batches** of drugs under **GMP conditions**

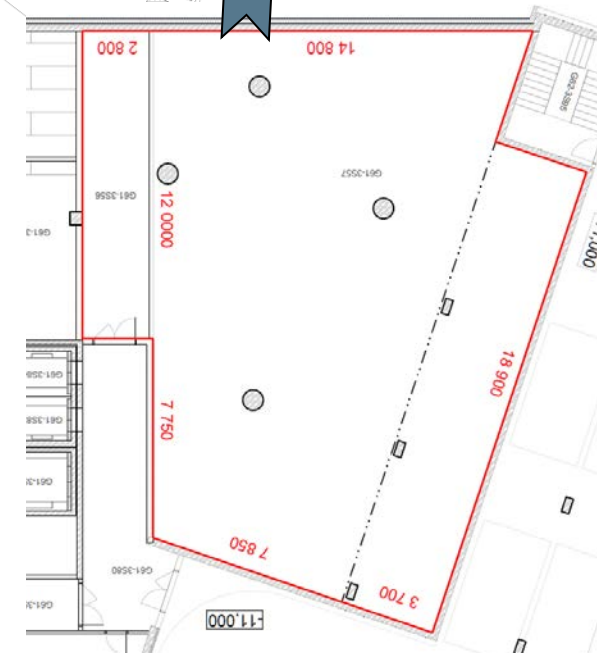
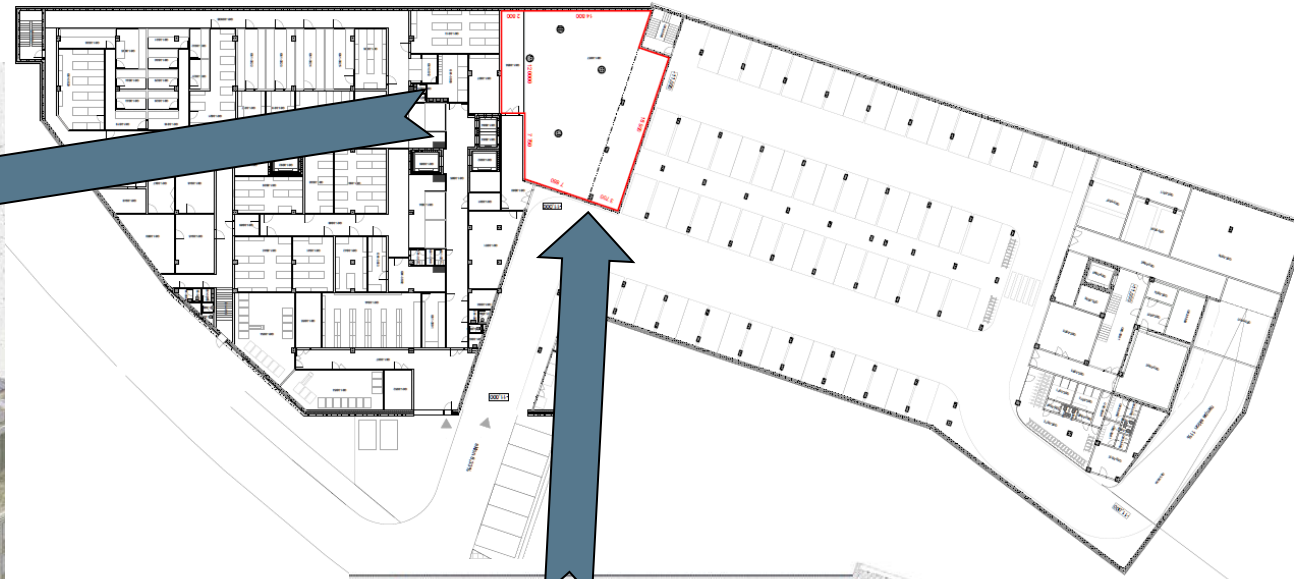


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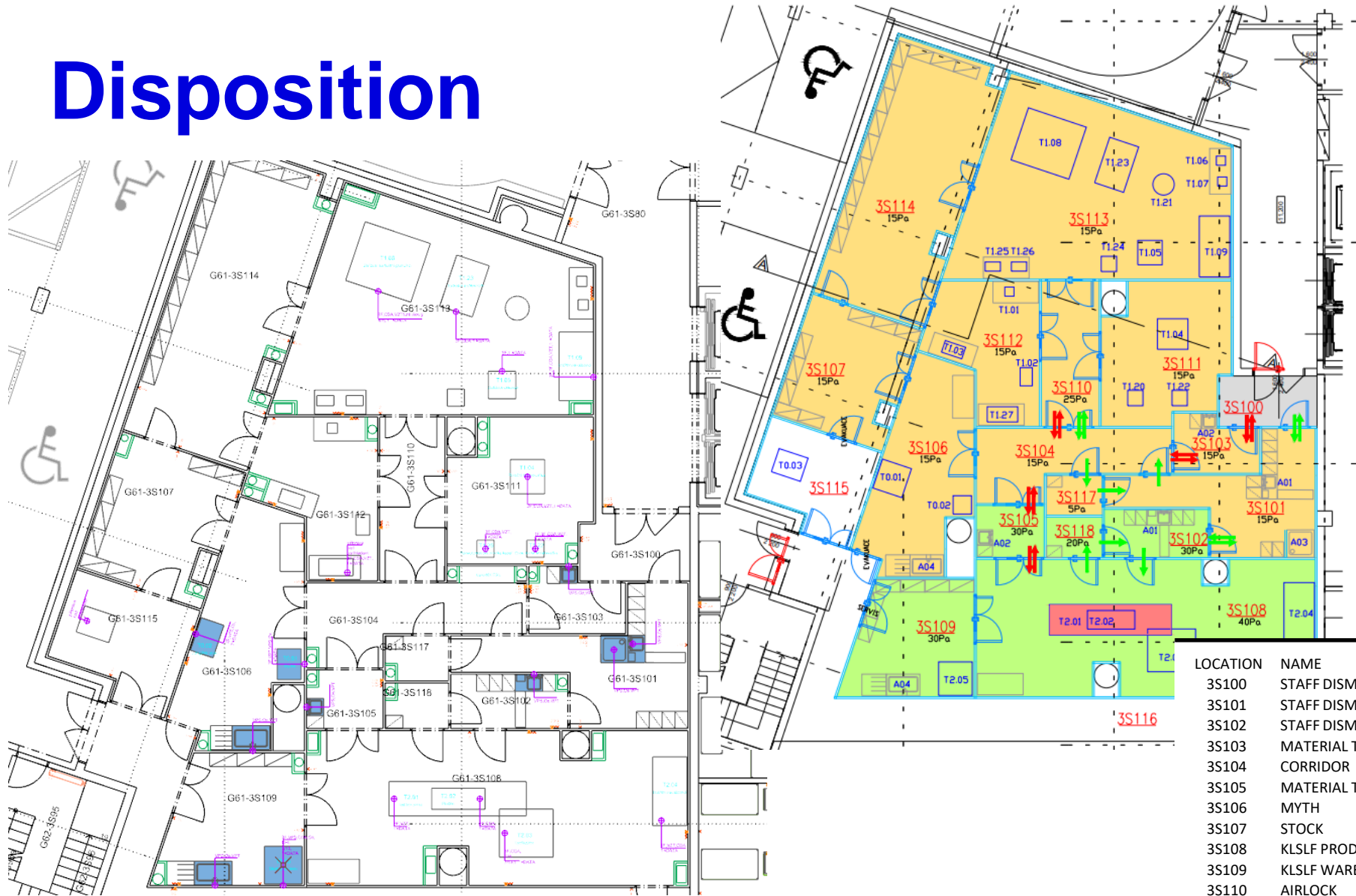
- to build **GMP facility to develop and manufacture drug forms and evaluate their quality**
- GMP Pilot Plant - part of **BioPharmaHub**
- the manufacturing site occupies $\sim 350 \text{ m}^2 + 130 \text{ m}^2$ (QC)

- part for **solid, semi-solid, and liquid drug forms** (class D)
- class C area with isolator (A) for **sterile preparation of liquid and lyophilized drug forms**
- dedicated **Quality Control (QC) laboratories** with the possibility of pharmacopoeial and in-house testing of prepared drugs and stability testing

Location



Disposition



LOCATION	NAME	AREA (m2)	Room height (m)	CLEANLINESS CLASS
3S100	STAFF DISMISSAL	9,4	2,5	K
3S101	STAFF DISMISSAL	11,1	2,5	D
3S102	STAFF DISMISSAL	6,1	2,5	C
3S103	MATERIAL THROUGHPUT	5,5	2,5	D
3S104	CORRIDOR	12,0	2,5	D
3S105	MATERIAL THROUGHPUT	4,9	2,5	C
3S106	MYTH	19,6	2,5	D
3S107	STOCK	15,3	2,4	D
3S108	KLSLF PRODUCTION ROOM	48,1	3,0	C
3S109	KLSLF WAREHOUSE	14,9	3,0	C
3S110	AIRLOCK	9,6	2,5	D
3S111	PRODUCTION ROOM PPKLF 1	19,7	4,0	D
3S112	PRODUCTION ROOM PPKLF 1	14,6	4,0	D
3S113	PRODUCTION ROOM PPKLF 1	47,7	5,0	D
3S114	PPKLF WAREHOUSE	32,7	2,4	D
3S115	TECHNICAL ROOM	11,1	2,4	--
3S116	TECHNICAL CORRIDOR	33,8	2,4	--

Solid, Semi-Solid, and Liquid Forms

Operations

- Dry & wet milling/milling
- Granulation, compaction
- Spraying
- Drying
- Extrusion/spheronization
- Encapsulation
- Tableting
- Coating of solid drug forms
- Packaging
- IPC

Equipment

- Ball mill
- High-shear mixer
- Roller compactor
- Fluid bed equipment - granulation, drying, and coating (Wurster)
- Rotary/excentric tablet press
- Tablet/capsule coating device
- Automatic capsule filler
- Extruder and spheronizer
- Tablet evaluation device (height, width, strength)
- Tabletop container filler/tablet counter



Liquid and Lyophilized Sterile Forms

Operations

- Wet mixing
- Lyophilization
- Filling
- Hot air sterilization
- Steam sterilization

Equipment

- Hazard box
- Hot air pass-through sterilizer
- Isolator
- Lyophilization device
- Steam sterilizer
- Filling device
- Tabletop bottle capper by crimping
- Sterile packaging welder



QC Lab

Operations

- Pharmacopoeial methods (F-CH)
- “In-house” methods (F-CH)

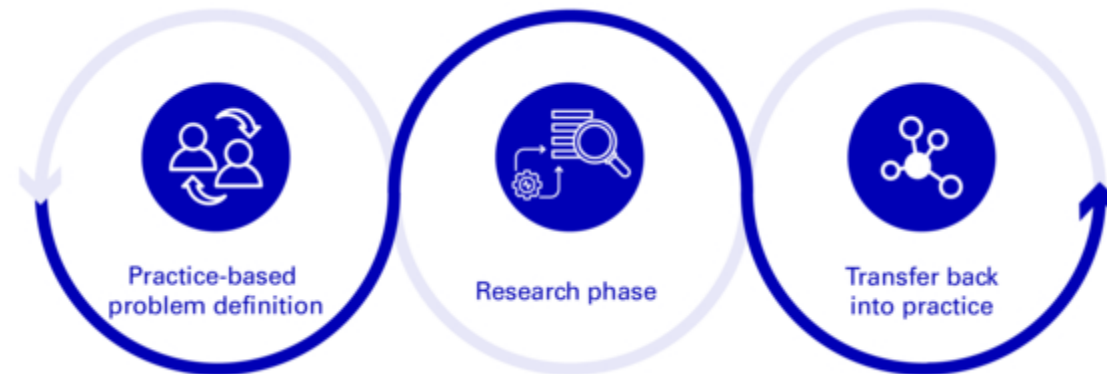
Equipment

- BET
- Dissolution device - flow-through cell (USP IV), paddles/baskets (USP I/II)
- HPLC with UV/VIS (DAD) and MS with nitrogen supply
- IR spectrometer
- Laser diffraction (wet and dry measurement)
- X-ray powder diffraction
- Stability boxes for 25 °C/60 %RH; 30 °C/65 %RH; 40 °C/75 %RH
- Thermal analysis (differential scanning calorimetry, thermogravimetry)
- UV/VIS spectrophotometer
- Device for measuring bulk and tapped volume, tablet abrasion, disintegration, flowability

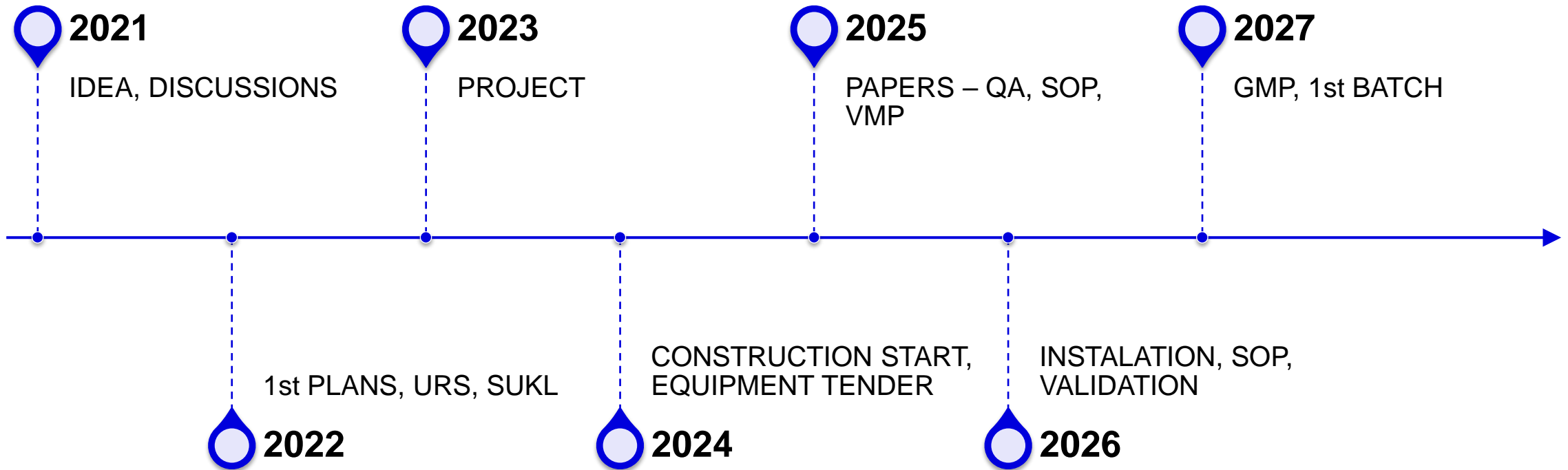


GMP Pilot Plant mission

- connection of R&D with the industrial sphere
- modern GMP facility will have a significant scientific-research contribution
- **transferring excellent research results into practice**
- the facility will supplement large-capacity manufacturers



GMP - schedule



Cooperations - non GMP

Services and cooperation in R&D of application/dosage forms in non-GMP mode:

- research, development, and evaluation of modern solid, semi-solid, and liquid dosage forms
- areas of pharmacy, cosmetics, medical devices, veterinary medicine, food industry
- consulting activities, formulation proposals, solving formulation problems
- evaluation of dosage forms, stability studies, analytics
- cooperation in projects as the university partner
- Ph.D. study or internship on a specific project

Current partners and projects

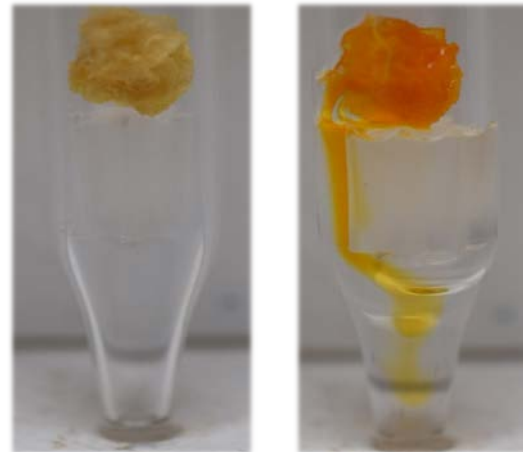
- Addicoo – modern veterinary application forms
- Oritest – toxic substance detection tubes
- Oncomed – parenteral lyophilized drugs
- Promed – formulation of innovative solid preparation
- Hartmann – medical devices



Formulation of tablets, capsules, fluid processes

Detection systems to monitor nerve agents

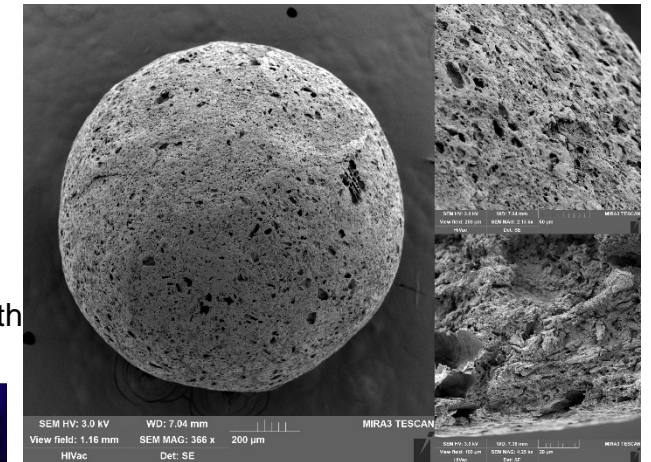
- preparation and evaluation of porous carriers (pellets, microparticles, scaffolds...)
- collaboration with the company [Oritest Ltd.](#), Prague, CZE



before and after reaction with
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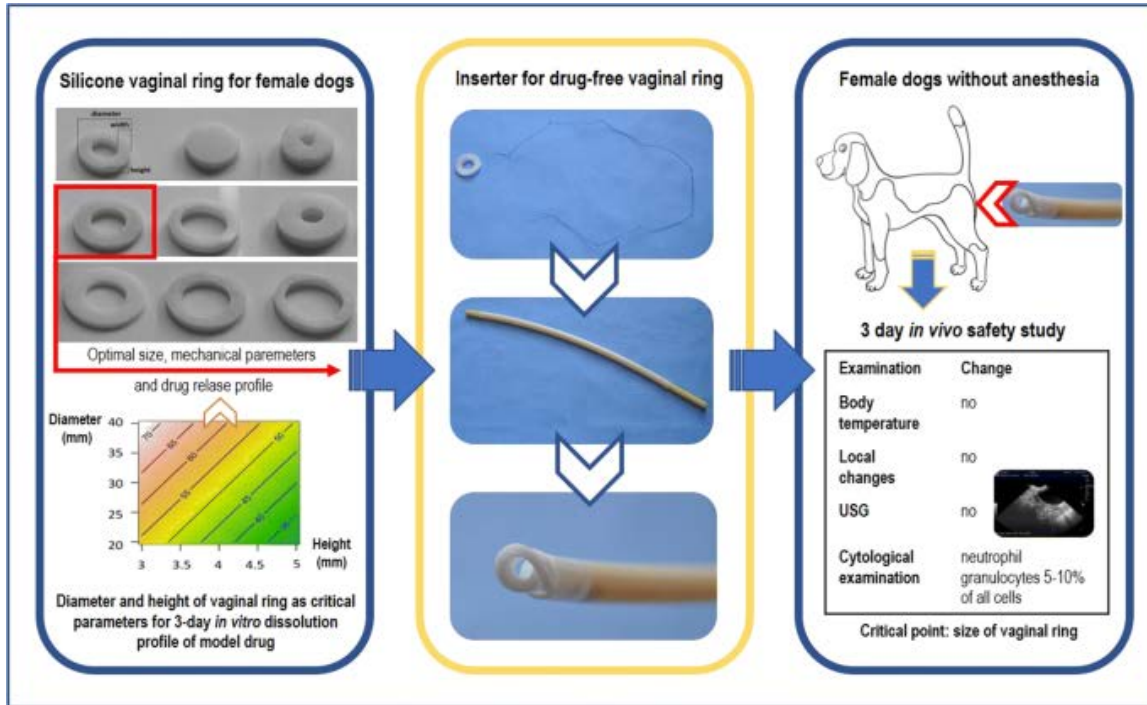
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- collaboration with the company [Oncomed Manufacturing a.s.](#) Brno, CZE and [Department of Chemistry](#), Faculty of Science, Masaryk University, Brno, CZE



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Veterinary preparations

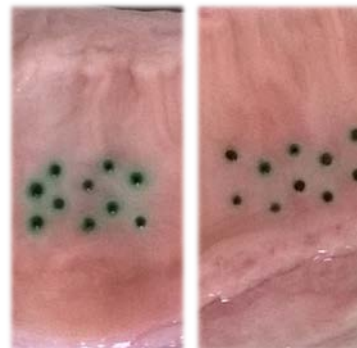
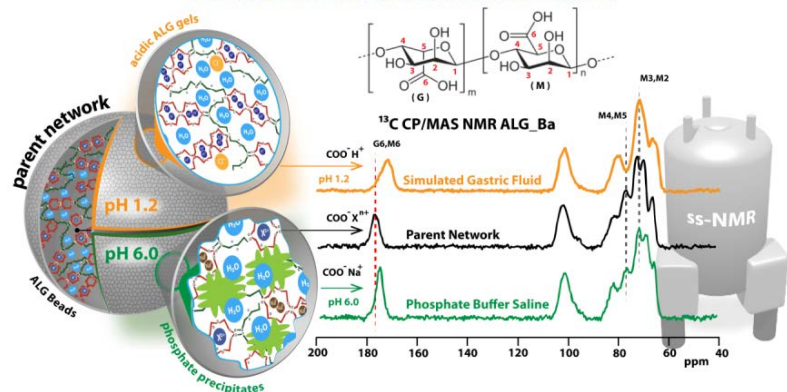


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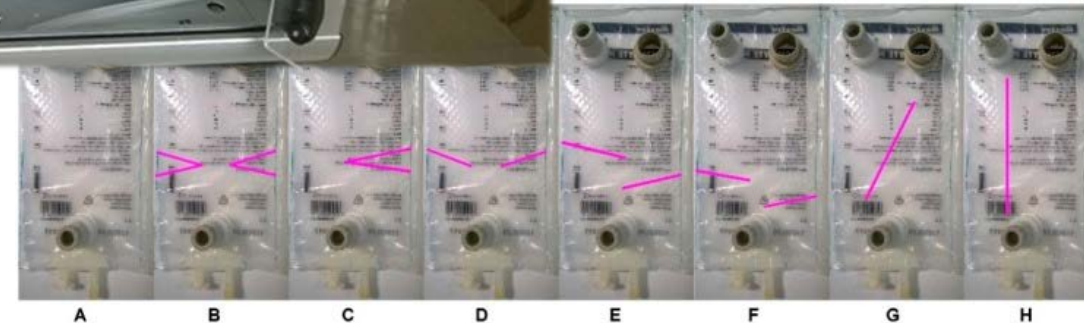
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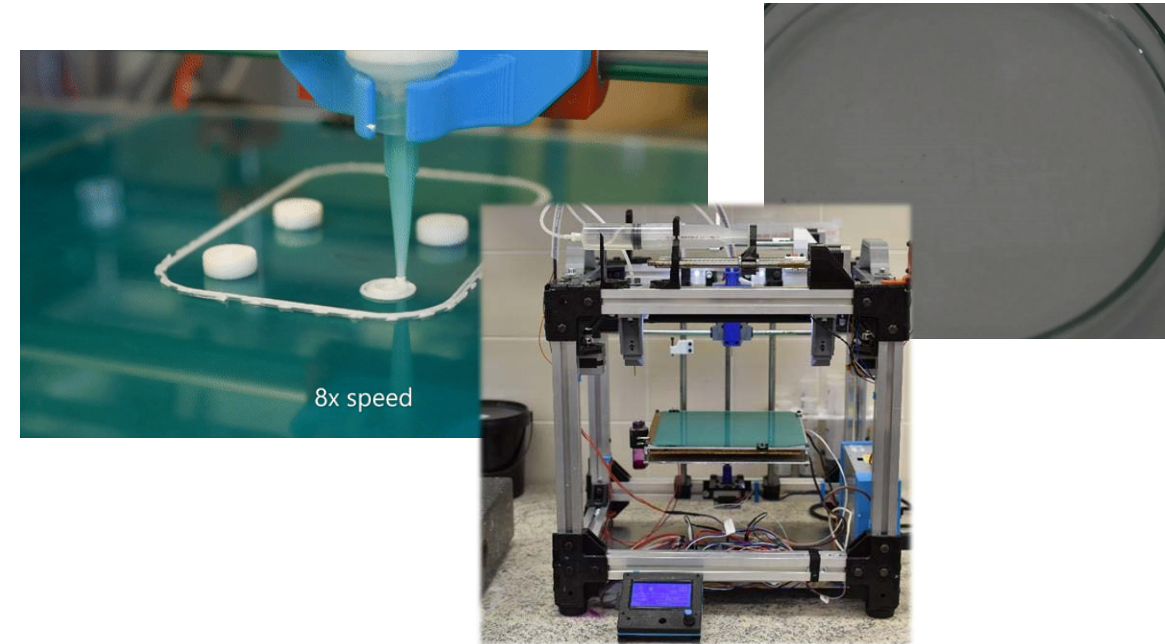
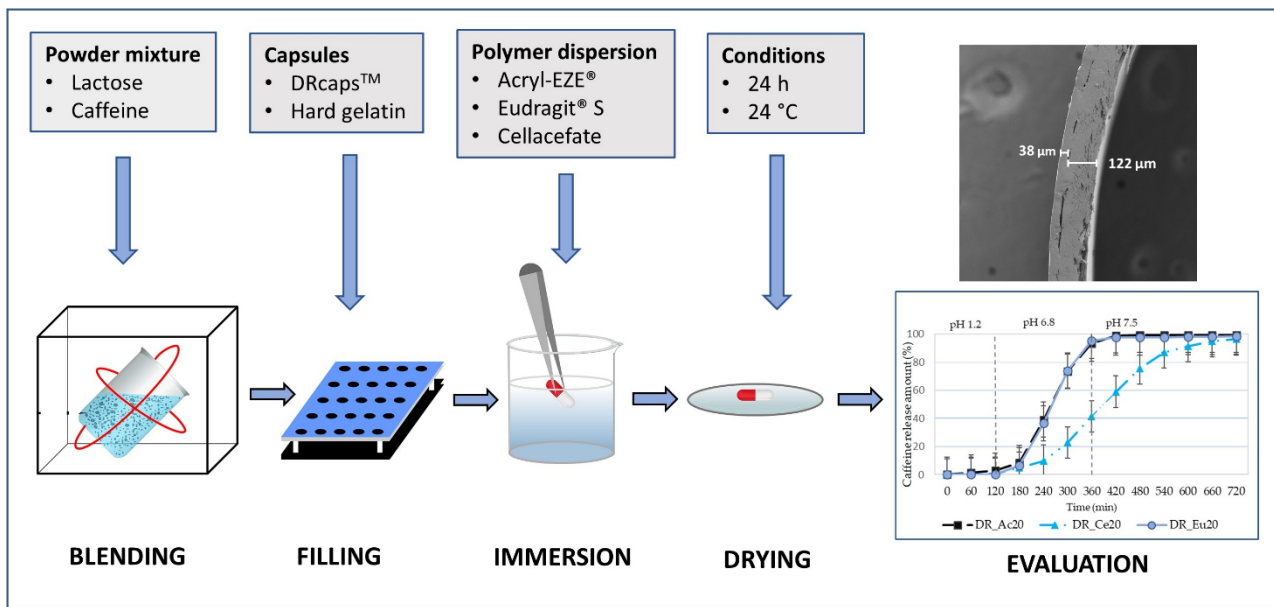


TRANSFORMATIONS OF ALGINATE NETWORKS



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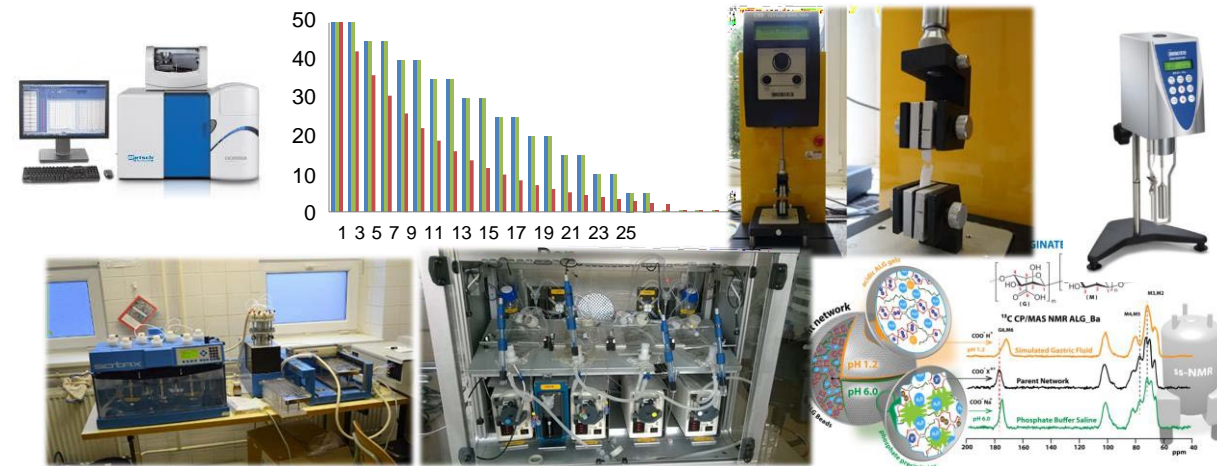


3D printing of drugs

Colonic delivery



Microparticle systems



Analysis and evaluation and stability testing of dosage forms

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Prof. Mirko Černák, CF Day Life Sciences, 16 October 2024

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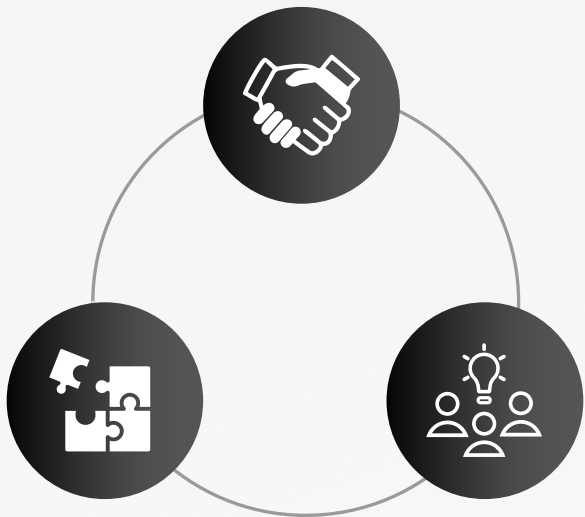


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- physics of plasma and electrical discharges
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- modelling and simulation of processes and phenomena
- practical applications



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- nanostructures, nanomaterials, thin films
- plasma surface treatment

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PLASMA NANOTECHNOLOGIES AND BIOAPPLICATIONS

Research

- development of atmospheric plasma sources
- surface treatment of temperature-sensitive materials
- environmentally friendly plasma technologies

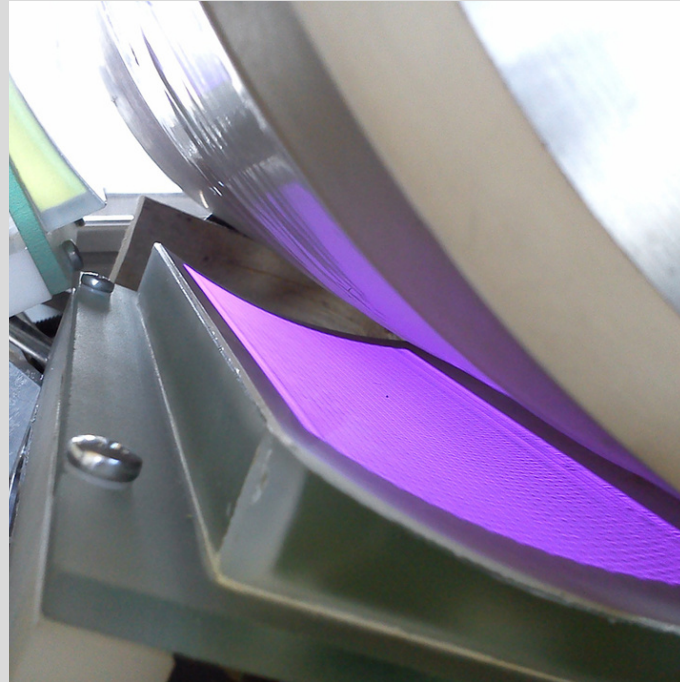
Applications

- improvement of surface properties of various materials (e.g. glass, polymer, textile, metals, papers, etc.)
- surface cleaning, activation, functionalization and decontamination
- ultrathin composites films (ALD)
- plasma reduced graphene oxides

Cooperation with industry

- flexible and printed electronics
- UV digital printing
- glass surface treatment
- paper surface treatment
- plasma assisted calcination of nanofibers
- roll-to-roll plasma treatment of flexible materials
- plasma treatment of hollow objects and tubes
- development and innovation of new plasma sources
- bioapplications

PLASMA NANOTECHNOLOGIES AND BIOAPPLICATIONS



DEPOSITION OF THIN FILMS AND NANOSTRUCTURES

Research

- development of new deposition processes
- new materials
- PVD (DC, RF), HiPIMS, microwave discharges
- thin films, nanoparticles, nanostructures

Thin films

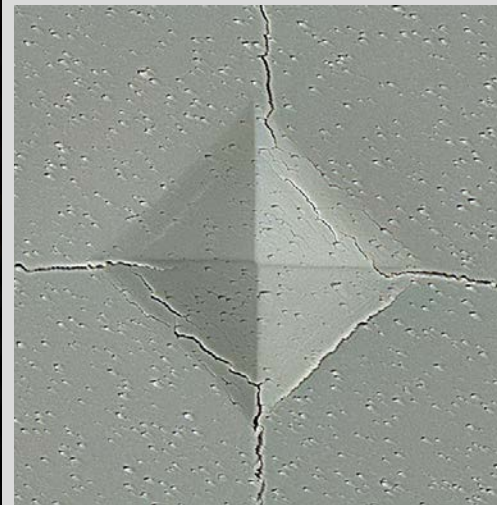
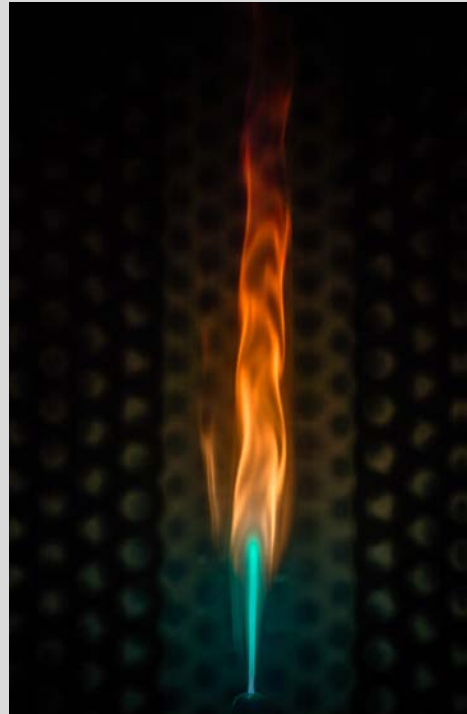
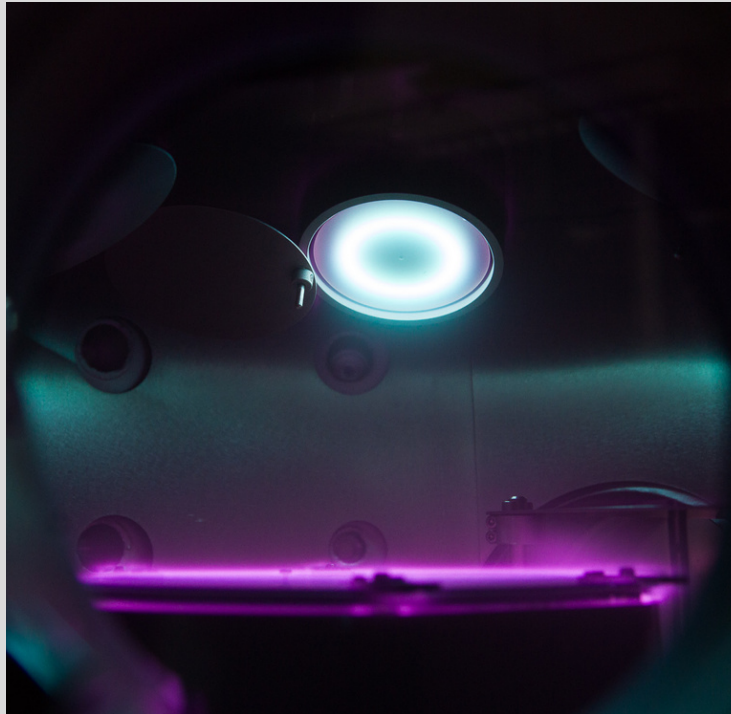
- diagnostics of PVD, HiPIMS preparation of films
- diagnostics of film growth
- modelling and simulation
- analyses of surface, composition and structure
- study of mechanical properties

Applications

- cooperation with private companies on PVD coatings
- opportunity to work on thesis in company

- mechanical protective coatings – engineering
- flexible electronics
- microelectronics
- optoelectronics
- aerospace and automotive
- hydrogen storage
- energy storage

DEPOSITION OF THIN FILMS AND NANOSTRUCTURES



PLASMA DIAGNOSTICS AND MODELLING

Research

- basic physical and chemical processes in discharges and plasma in gases and liquids
- theory and experimental

Modelling

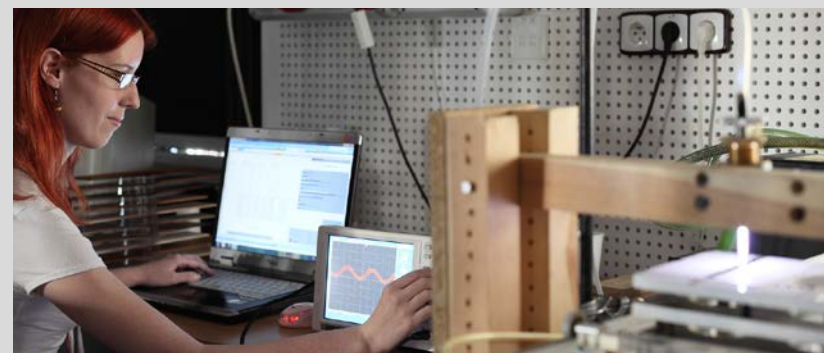
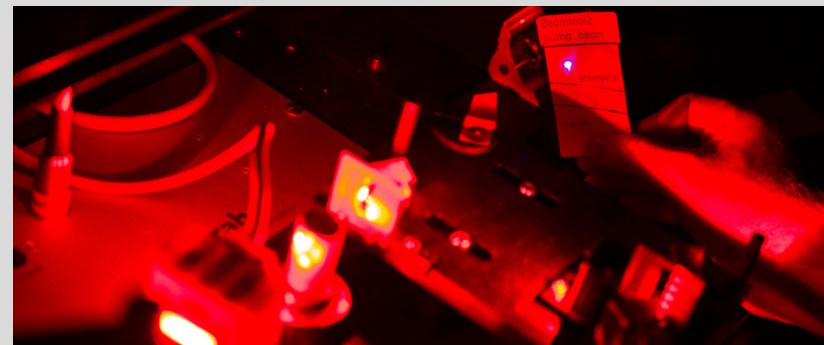
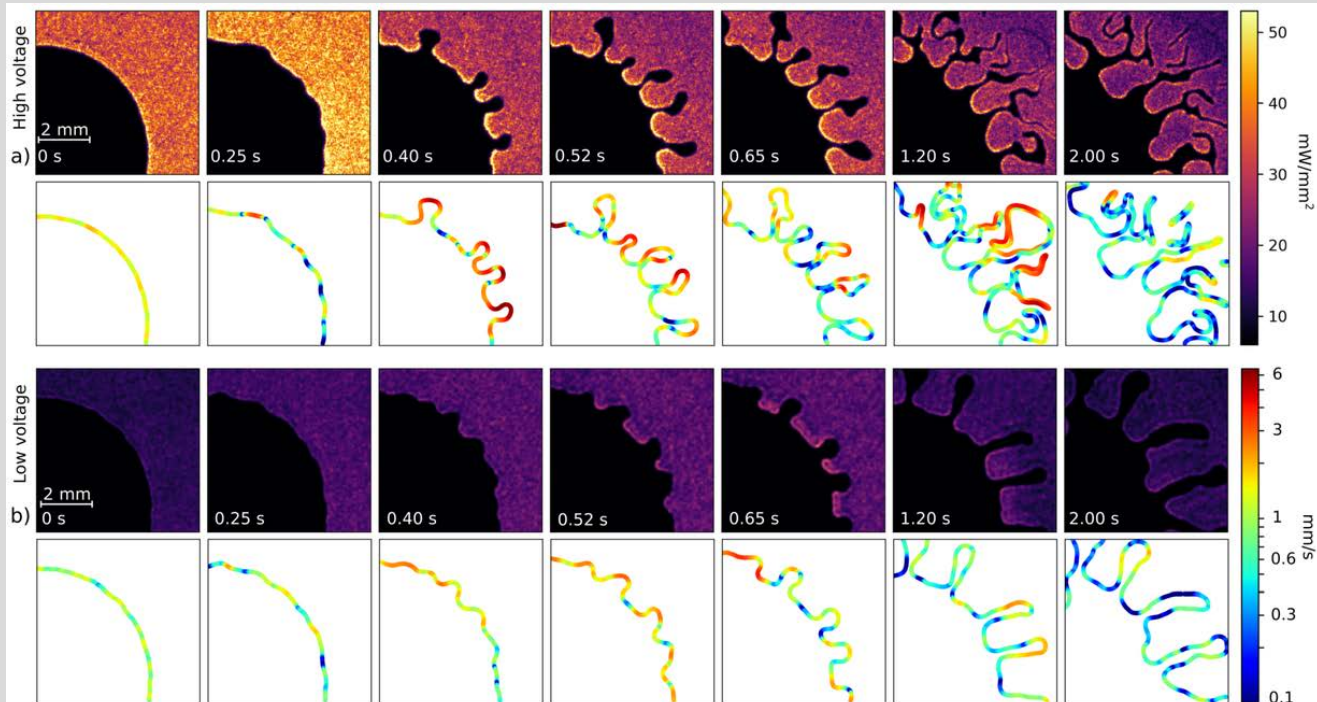
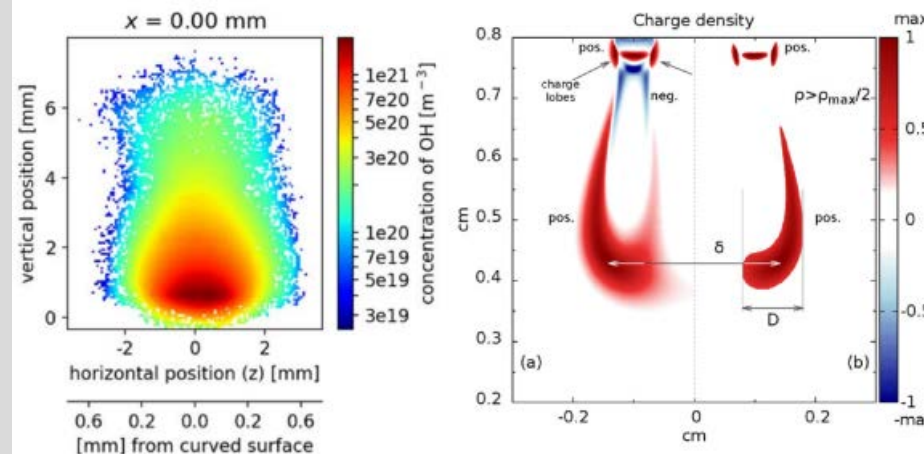
- acceleration of highly energetic electrons in gases
- plasma simulation in magnetic fields
- collision-radiative models in gases
- fluid, hybrid and particle models for propagation of ionized waves (streamers)

Topics

- advanced experimental methods (spectroscopy and electrical measurement)
- laser diagnostics
- determination of plasma basic parameters
- extremely small spatial and time scales
- models to prove experimental behavior
- deep understanding of physical processes in plasma

- cooperation with industry and other research institutions

PLASMA DIAGNOSTICS AND MODELLING



OPTICS FOR THIN FILMS AND SOLID SURFACES

Equipment

- spectrophotometers
- ellipsometers

- wide spectral range from far infrared to vacuum ultraviolet

Research

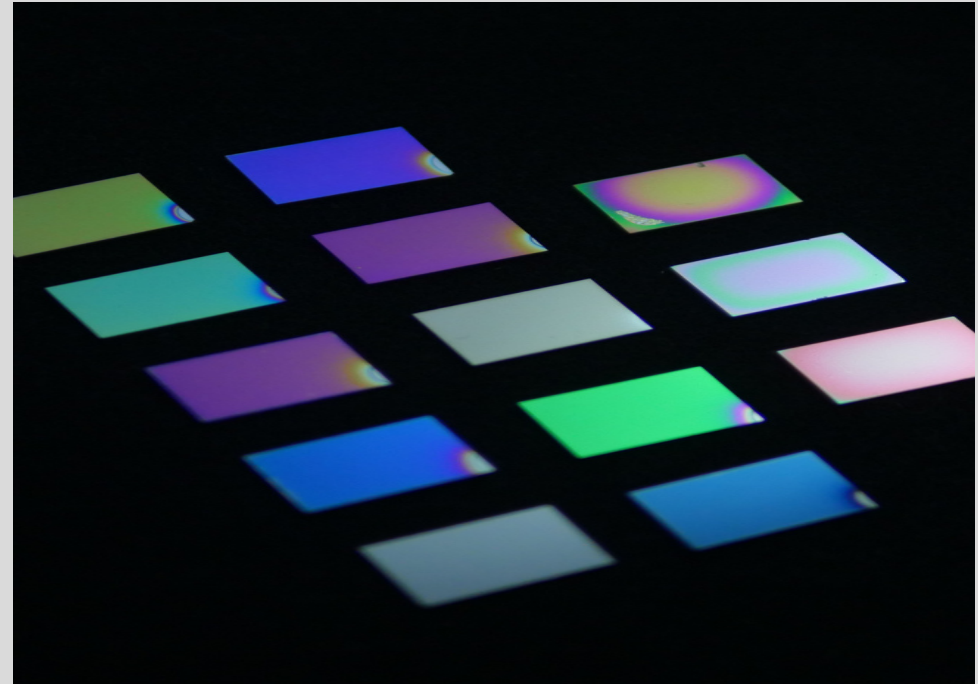
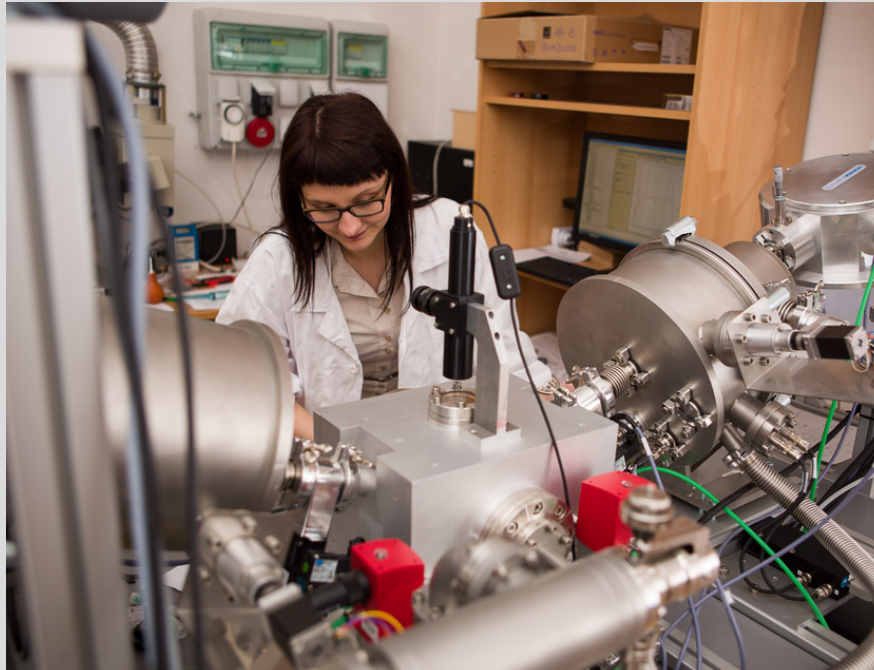
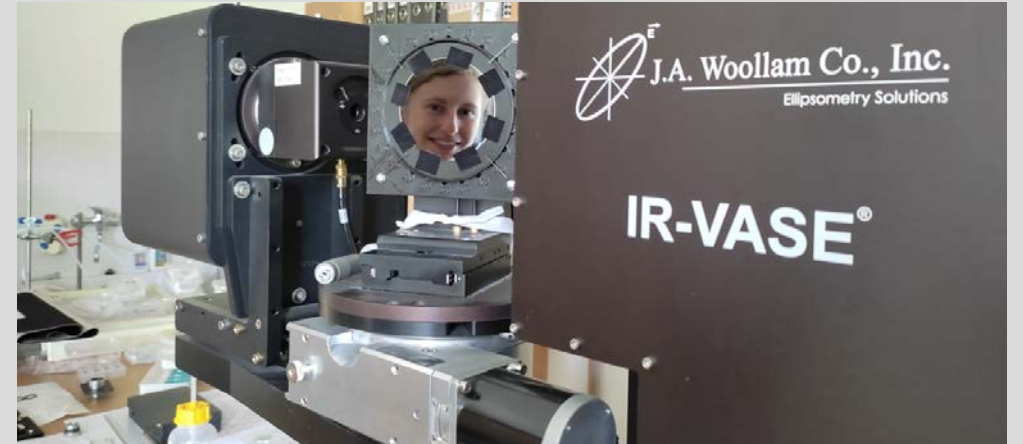
- optical properties of various systems
- characterization of optical properties of films
- formulation of new dispersion and structural models
- study of random surface roughness

Cooperation

- analyses of films prepared by plasma-chemical methods, magnetron sputtering, or other vacuum coating methods

- cooperation in research of defects: random roughness on boundaries, inhomogeneity of films, thickness nonuniformity, transitional interlayers, or others

OPTICS FOR THIN FILMS AND SOLID SURFACES



Surface analyses at CEPLANT

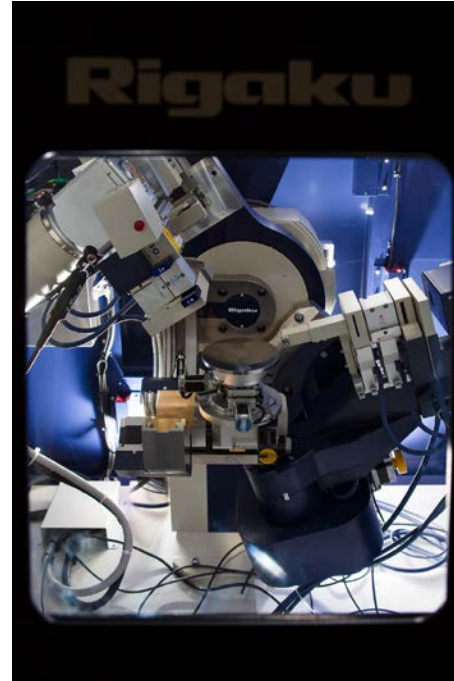


Raman
microspectrometer



Matrix-Assisted Laser
Desorption/Ionization

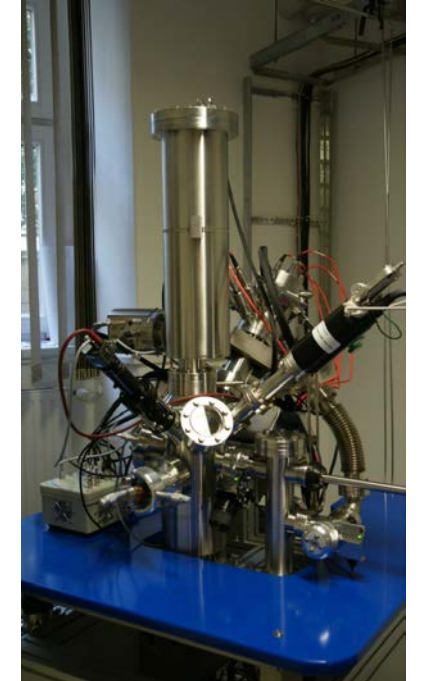
FT-IR
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X-ray
diffractometer



X-ray Photoelectron
spectroscopy



Secondary Ion
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Surface analyses at CEPLANT



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spectroscopy



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Microscope



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New instrumentation

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 - magnetron deposition device with HiPIMS technology
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CEITEC MUNI Core Facility Multimodal And Functional Imaging Laboratory - MAFIL

Michal Miki, CF Day Life Sciences, 16 October 2024

MAFIL overview

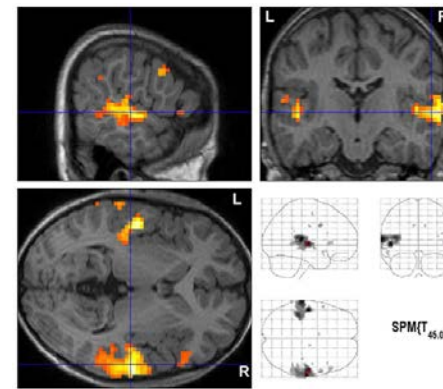
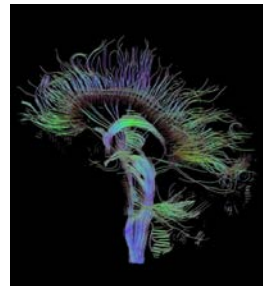
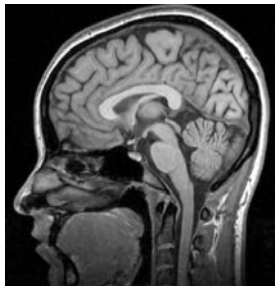
Overview and equipment

- Focused on human medical imaging (mainly neuroscience)
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Spectroscopy
 - Two 3T MR scanners
 - Specific equipment for fMRI studies
 - Hyperscanning with simultaneous use both scanners
- Electrophysiological techniques
 - Both standalone labs and simultaneous measurements in MRI, EEG
 - Including techniques for brain stimulation

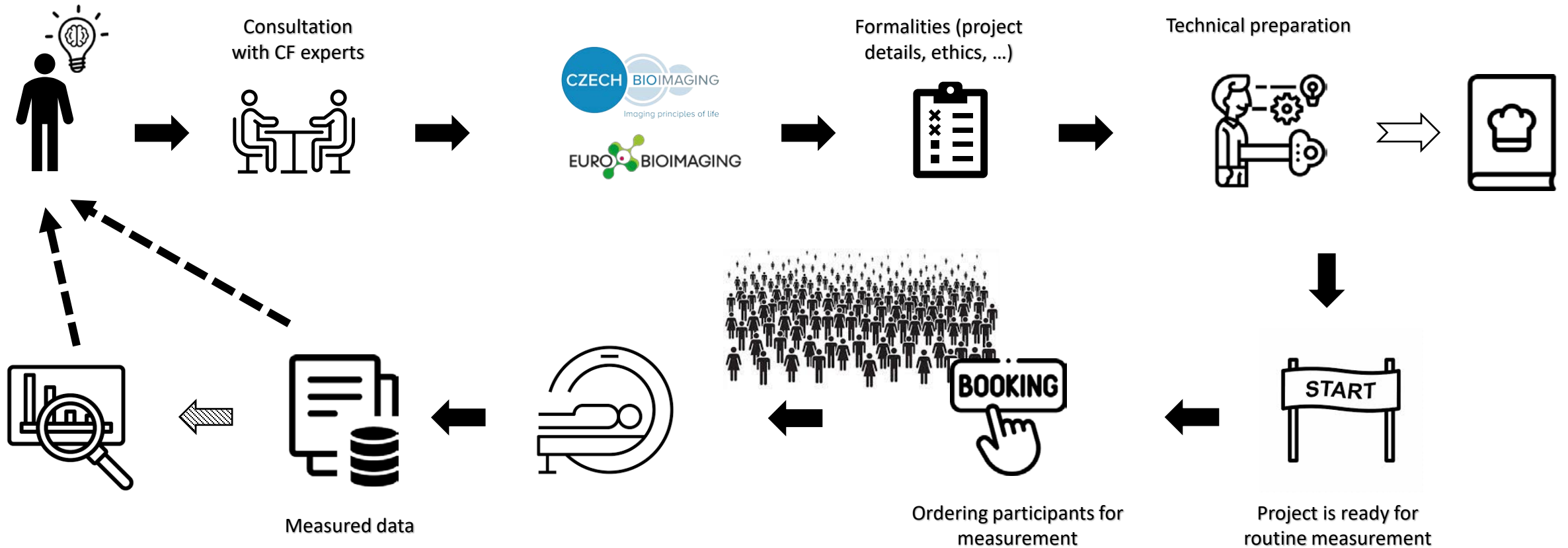


Services

- Support in preparation of neuroimaging studies
- Structural imaging
- Perfusion MRI
- Diffusion MRI (DTI, DKI, ...)
- Morphometric studies (VBM and similar techniques)
- fMRI (functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging)
- Real-time fMRI neurofeedback
- Hyperscanning (dual fMRI with two participants in two scanners measured simultaneously)
- Simultaneous EEG-fMRI
- MR spectroscopy
- Electrophysiological rec. in RF shielded lab
- Data processing
- Training



User access and project lifetime



User characteristics

- Most frequent users' scientific domains (Neuroscience – 90%, Biomedical and electrical engineering – 5%, Oncology – 3%, Other disciplines 2%)
- Users' geographic provenience: 97% from CZ (Brno, Olomouc, Hradec Kralove, Ostrava, Prague), then Slovakia, Poland, United Kingdom, Neetherland, Canada, Brazil, ...

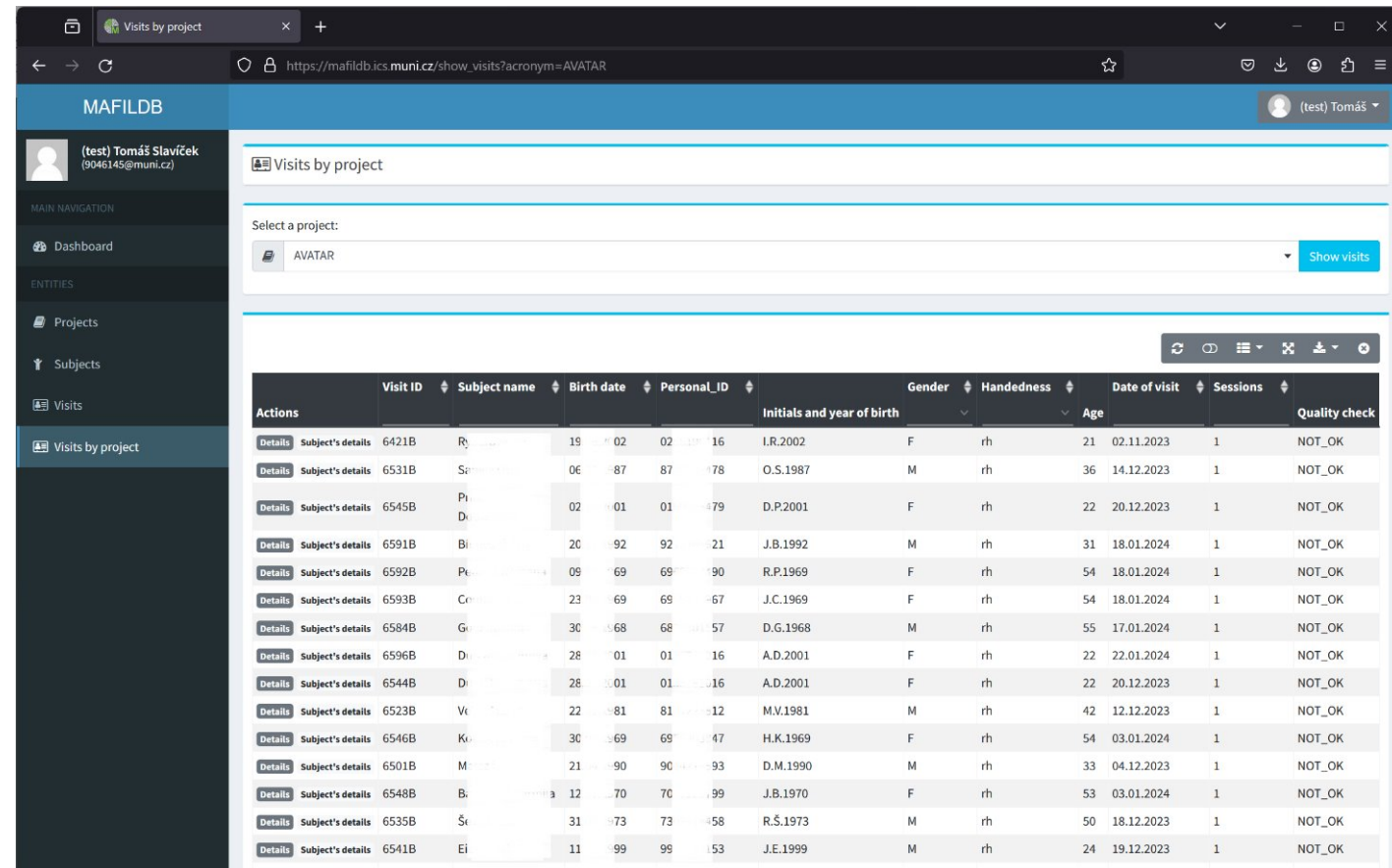
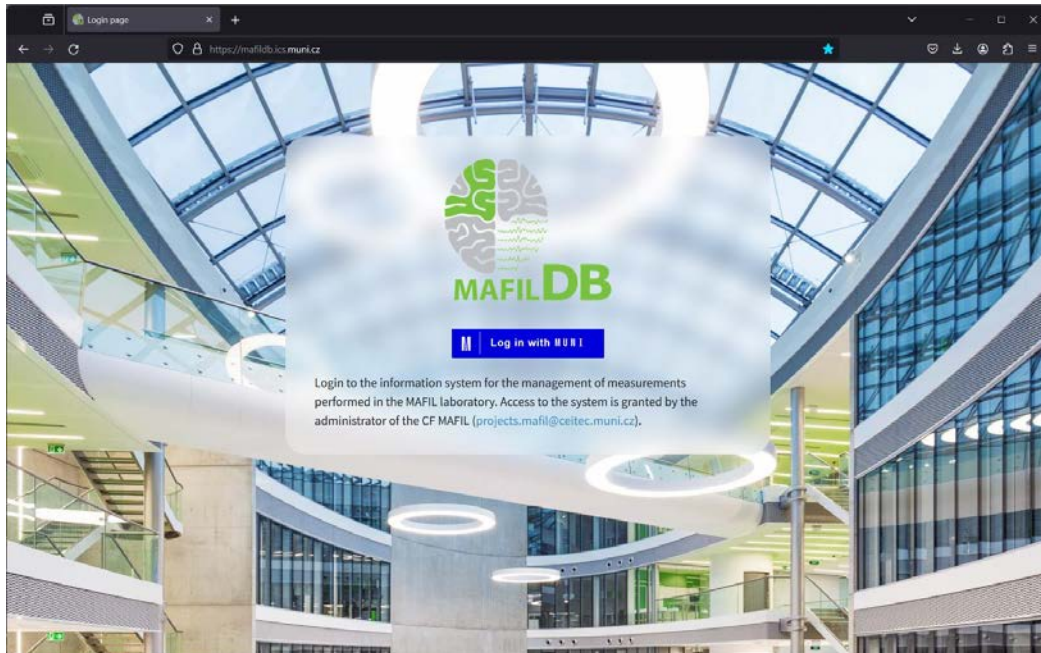
Acknowledgement text – Czech-BioImaging

- **Preferred version:** „We acknowledge the core facility **MAFIL** supported by the Czech-BioImaging large RI project (LM2023050 funded by MEYS CR) for their support with obtaining scientific data presented in this paper.“
- **Short version:** „We acknowledge the core facility **MAFIL** supported by MEYS CR (LM2023050 Czech-BioImaging).“

MAFIL news

MAFIL in 2024

- Database of measurements (MAFILDB) has been made available to users



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MAFIL in 2024

- New eye-tracking camera
- Studies with electrical stimulation of brain in MR scanner
- FAIRification and data management activities (involvement in EOSC-CZ, Euro-BioImaging working groups, internal workshop for users, ...)
- Annual renewal of registration for booking system started in 2024
- Spring workshop on quantitative MRI methods
- Educational course Neuroimaging (November 11-13)



You can look forward to:

- processing and analysis of fMRI data
- processing and analysis of electrophysiological data
- morphometric methods and their reach to functional brain mapping
- diffusion imaging
- specifics of animal MRI studies
- and more...

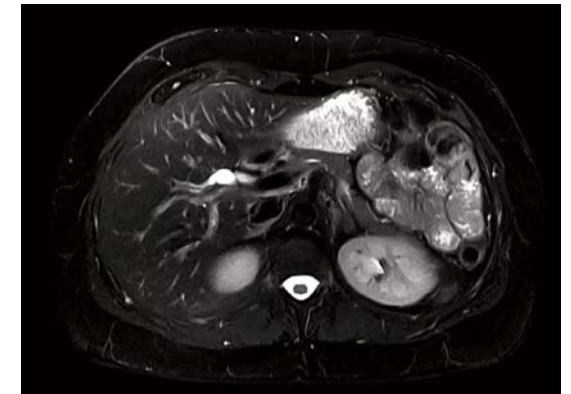
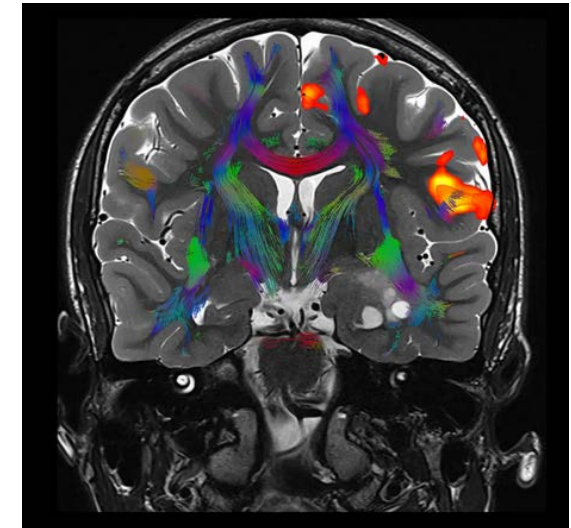
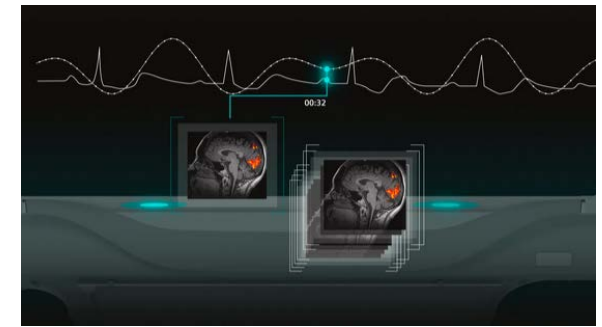
MORE INFORMATION

about registration and payment is on the website:
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MAFIL in 2025

- Upgrade of one Prisma MR scanner to Cima.X
 - New biomatrix technology (built-in sensors, improved coil sensitivity, optimized excitation, ..)
 - New gradient system and new software
 - Improved acquisition speed, data quality, pushing-up limits in DWI and other methods



Anniversary

- 25 years of functional MRI in Brno (2000 - 2025)
- 10 years of MRI at CEITEC, MAFIL (2015 - 2025)

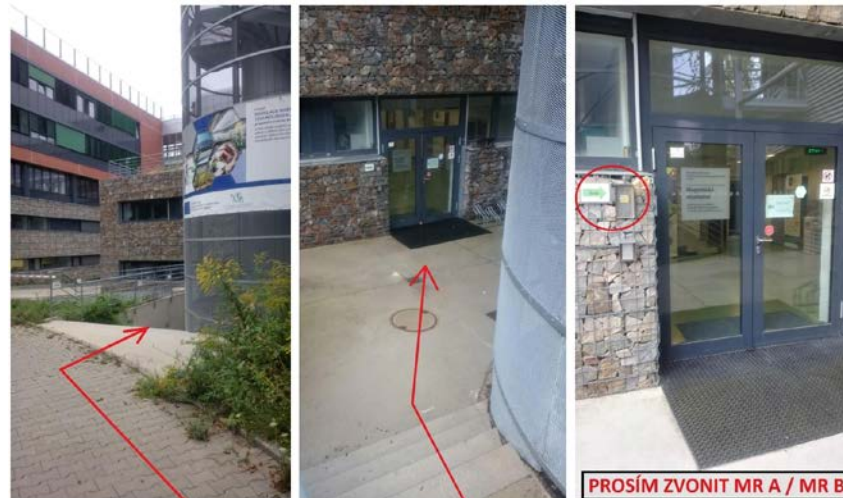
25 YEARS

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MAFIL practical hints for users

- Please inform properly subjects/volunteers
 - Name of researcher and project name
 - Use MAFIL entrance, not the CEITEC main one
 - Provide MAFIL operators' phone number 770 158 552
- Include subject name and contact info. in private description of the reservation
- Consider time for preparation (10-20 min.), when inviting volunteers
- Regular working hours 8:00 to 17:00, reservation beyond, on demand
- Useful email aliases: projects.mafil@ceitec.muni.cz, datarequest.mafil@ceitec.muni.cz, mri.mafil@ceitec.muni.cz, elfyz.mafil@ceitec.muni.cz



- When ordering, make sure to reserve all the instruments and laboratories that are needed for the given measurements
 - For instance, MRI + ExG + Eye-tracking, or EEG + EEG lab + Eye-tracking
- Late cancellations create problems for CF and other users. Please inform us immediately if any problem arise. A penalty may be applied in case of a large number of late cancellations.



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Boris Tichý, CF Day Life Sciences, 16 October 2024

CF Genomics – Access modes, fees

- Full service
 - NGS library prep + sequencing
 - Single-cells
- Assisted usage
 - Access to instrumentation and equipment
 - Help with experiments, training
- Self service
 - Access to instrumentation (training required)
 - qPCR, NGS QC
- Fees
 - Consumables – 100%
 - Instrument time – 15-100%

CF Genomics – Data policy

- Primary NGS data are stored for at least 6 months
- Data from other instruments could be deleted without notice – users are responsible for data backup
- [CF Data Policy details](#) available on CF web page

CF Genomics – NGS instrumentation

- Illumina NextSeq 500 & MiSeq
 - Will be discontinued soon !
- ONT PromethION & MinION
 - Long-read sequencing
- MGI DNBSEQ G400
 - Benchtop short-read sequencer
- (Illumina NovaSeq X plus)
 - Prague NCMG node
- Illumina NovaSeq 6000
 - Hosted for Excelles project
- Element Bio AVITI
 - Hosted for Excelles project



CF Genomics – New instrumentation, services

- 10X Xenium In-situ Platform

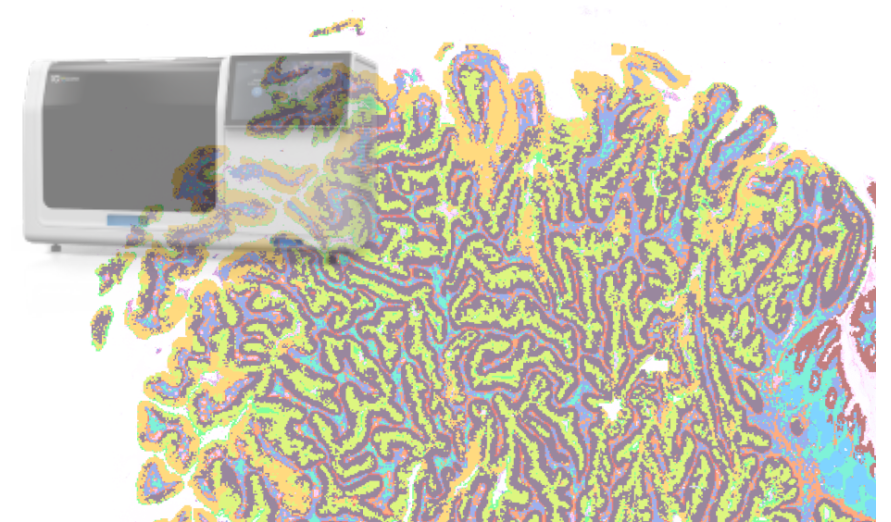
- Spatial transcriptomics profiling
- Up to 5000 genes at subcellular resolution
- FFPE or fresh-frozen samples

- Single-cell libraries

- 10X Chromium
- Singleron
- ScaleBio
 - Low cost per cell
 - 100 – 500.000 cells/run, 1 - 96 samples/run, fixation up to 12 months

- Nanopore sequencing

- DNA library prep + sequencing
 - WGS, targeted, methylation
- RNA (cDNA) library prep + sequencing




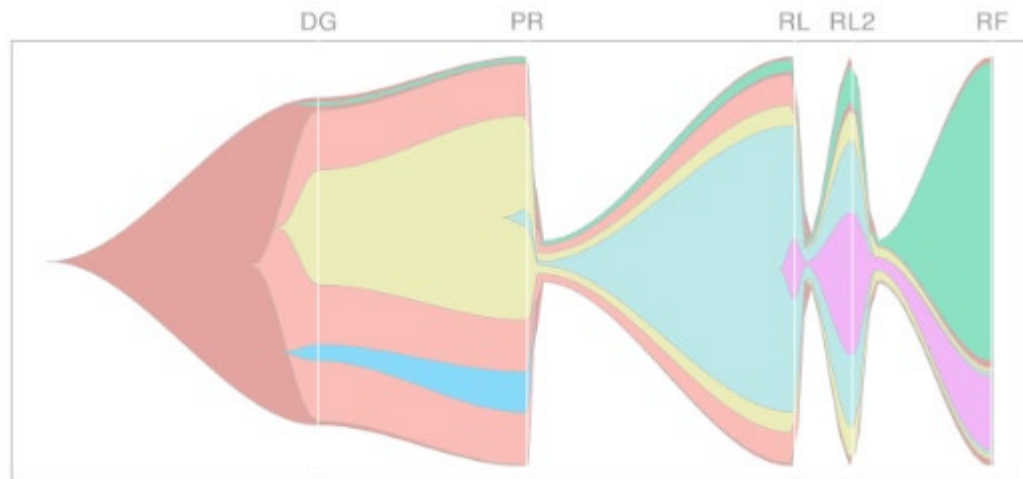
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- BIRC3
- loss(3p21)
- loss(11q)
- XPO1
- high genomic complexity + TP53

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Sample acceptance and storage policy

To ensure high-quality analysis, it is important to follow our sample submission guidelines after agreeing upon a service. You can download the full text of these instructions [here](#).

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