

CUCAM

Charles University Centre for Advanced Materials

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Advanced Materials

- *mastering the design, research and development of new and improved materials will remain key for achieving the goals of the European Innovation Policy, in agreement with the European Strategy for a smart, sustainable and inclusive growth (EUROPE 2020).*
- *All major economies have initiatives in Advanced Materials*

Our aims

- This proposal aims to develop a world-leading Centre of Excellence in Advanced Materials located at Charles University (CU) in Prague, covering the Design, Synthesis and Application.
 - Our focus will be in developing low dimensional compounds as the building blocks for the development of new materials
 - Hybrid materials

The vision

- Is that creative chemistry is the wellspring from which the next generation of advances in materials technology design will flow.
 - Fundamental, inventive science is key
 - But the next generation of scientists will need to have one eye on how fundamental science can be translated

Why Charles University

- The three Ps
 - Prague
 - the environment
 - People
 - The young talent in the centre is extremely important
 - Promise
 - The potential for top quality science is very much at the forefront of why this group of scientists make an exciting centre

Successful Outcomes

- For a successful Centre the output of the work should be more than the sum of the individual researchers.
- An internationally recognised centre of scientific excellence
- A Centre that has impact!

Impact

- Impact through science
 - Providing an environment where the best possible science is
- Impact through inspiration
 - Improving the human capital resource in Czech Republic through inspiring younger researchers
- Impact through advocacy
 - Making the Centre a trusted partner for decision makers in Government and industry

Scientific Objectives

- The key scientific advances proposed for the Centre are
 - The development of new chemistry concepts that will allow step changes in exploitation of the outstanding properties of advanced materials in a way that has not been possible previously.
 - The development of generalised synthetic strategies to target novel properties, and subsequent demonstration of these properties.
 - The use of world-leading characterisation and computational techniques to connect novel chemistry to new properties through transformative synthetic chemistry, structural characterisation and computational prediction and simulation.



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CENTRE OF ADVANCED MATERIALS

List of abbreviations

CA = coordination activities

OA = organization activities

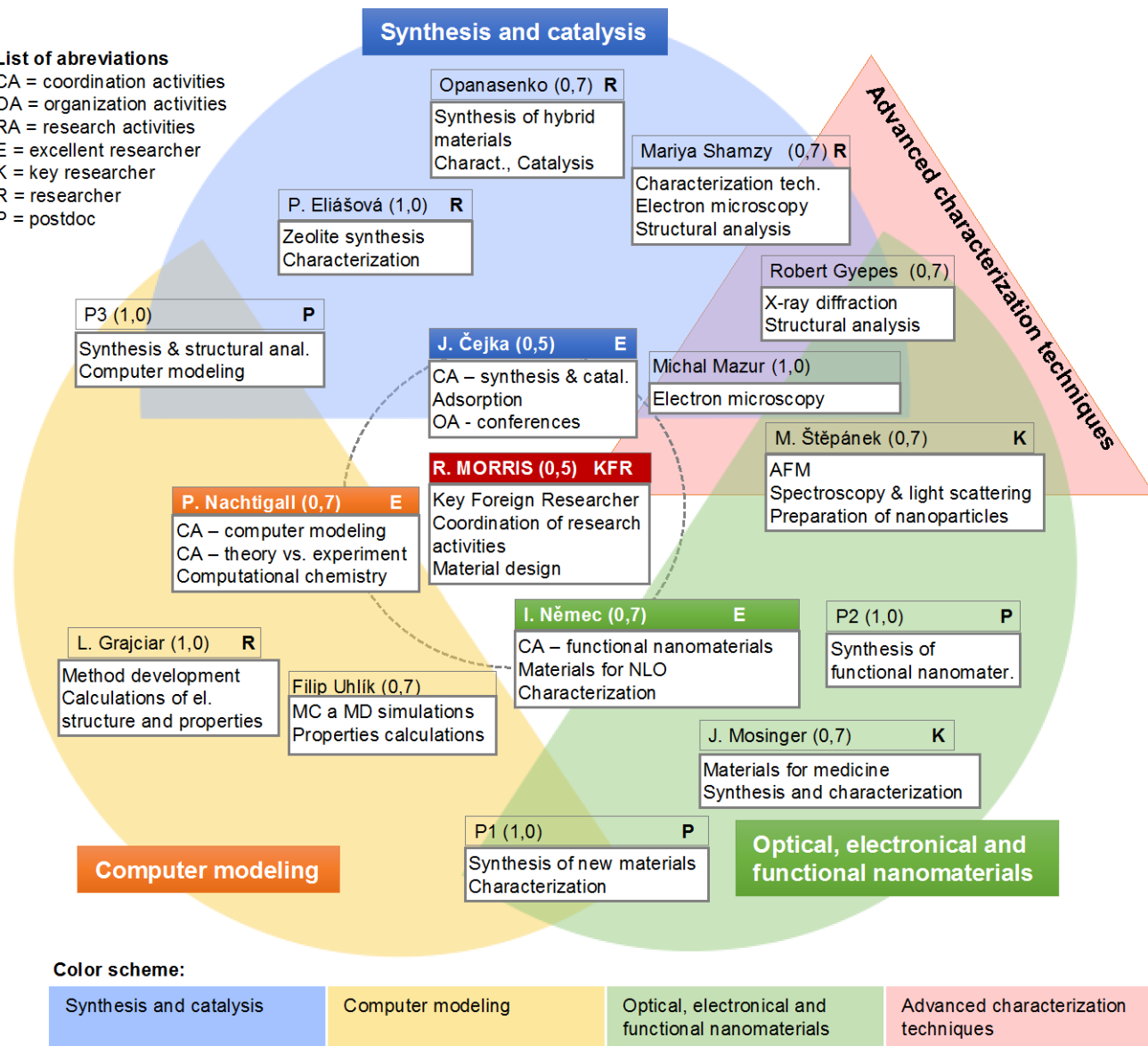
RA = research activities

E = excellent researcher

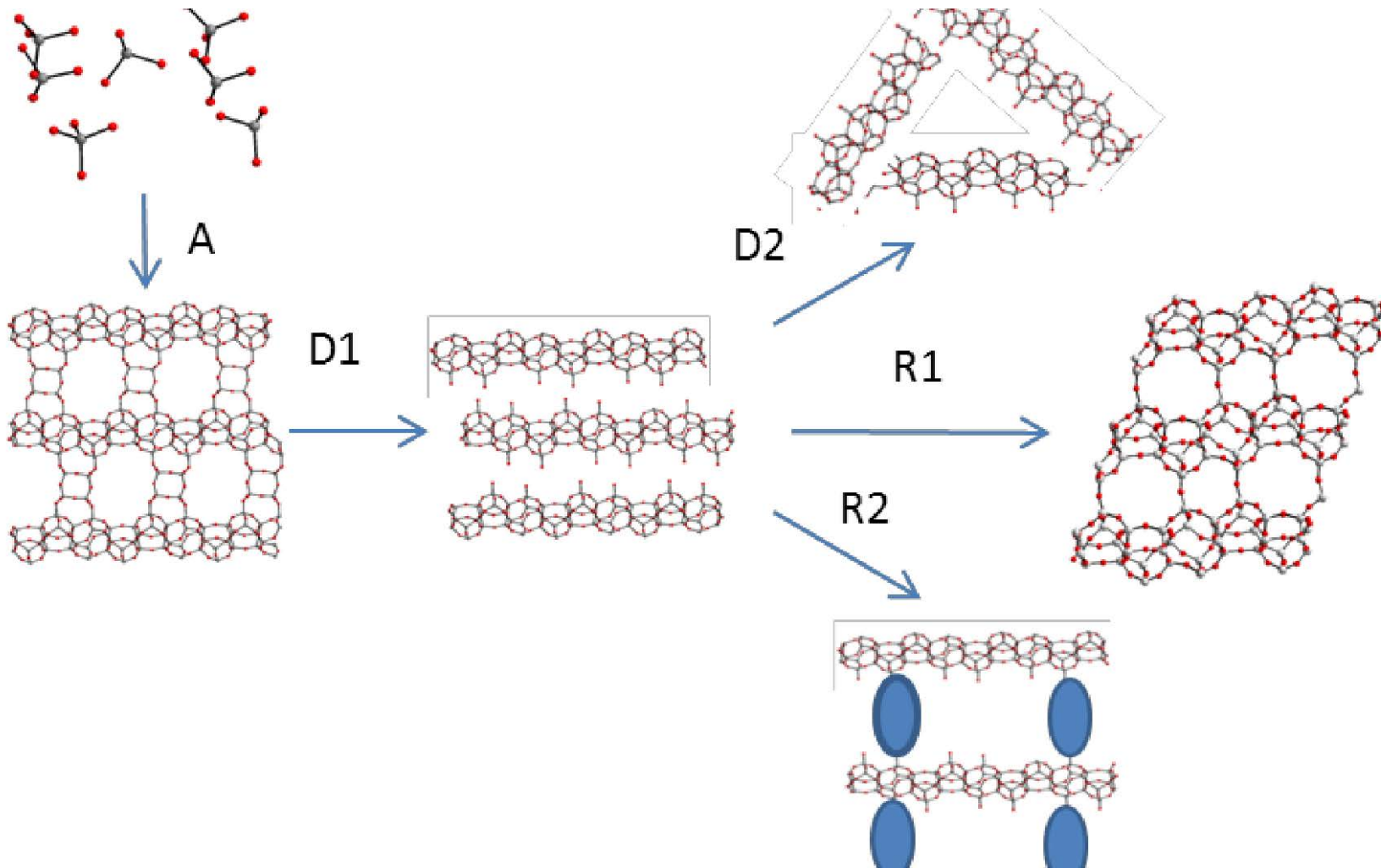
K = key researcher

R = researcher

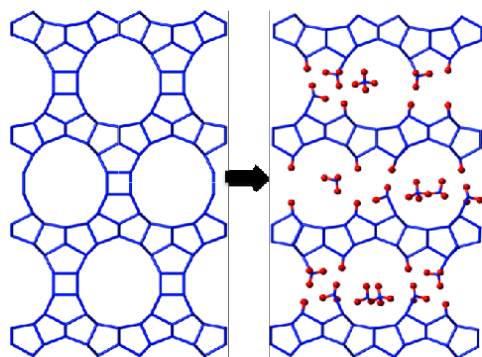
P = postdoc



Synthesis & Catalysis

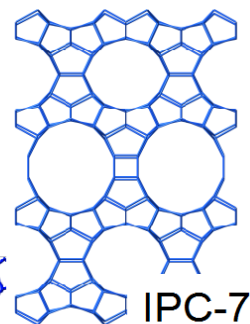
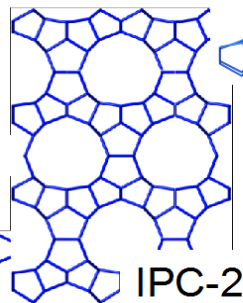
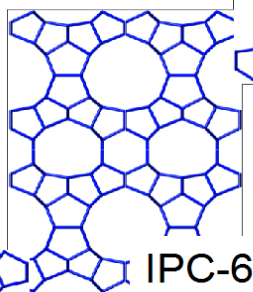
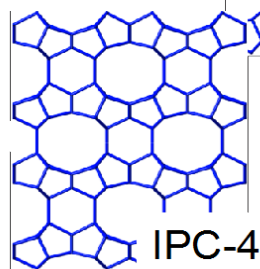


The ADOR process



**Assembly, Disassembly
And Organisation**

Reassembly

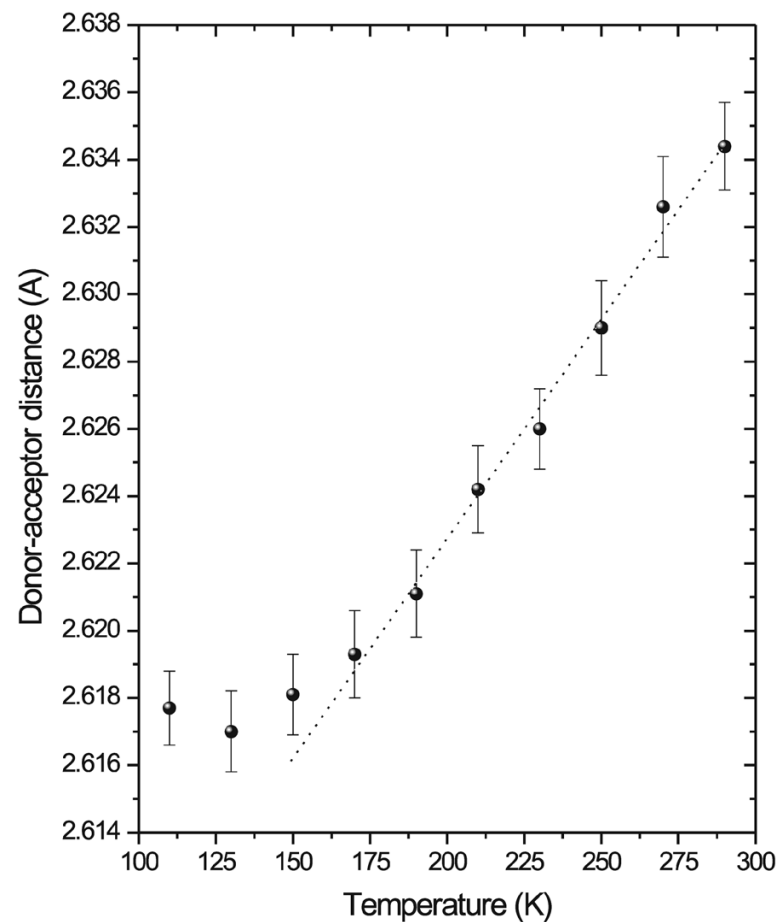
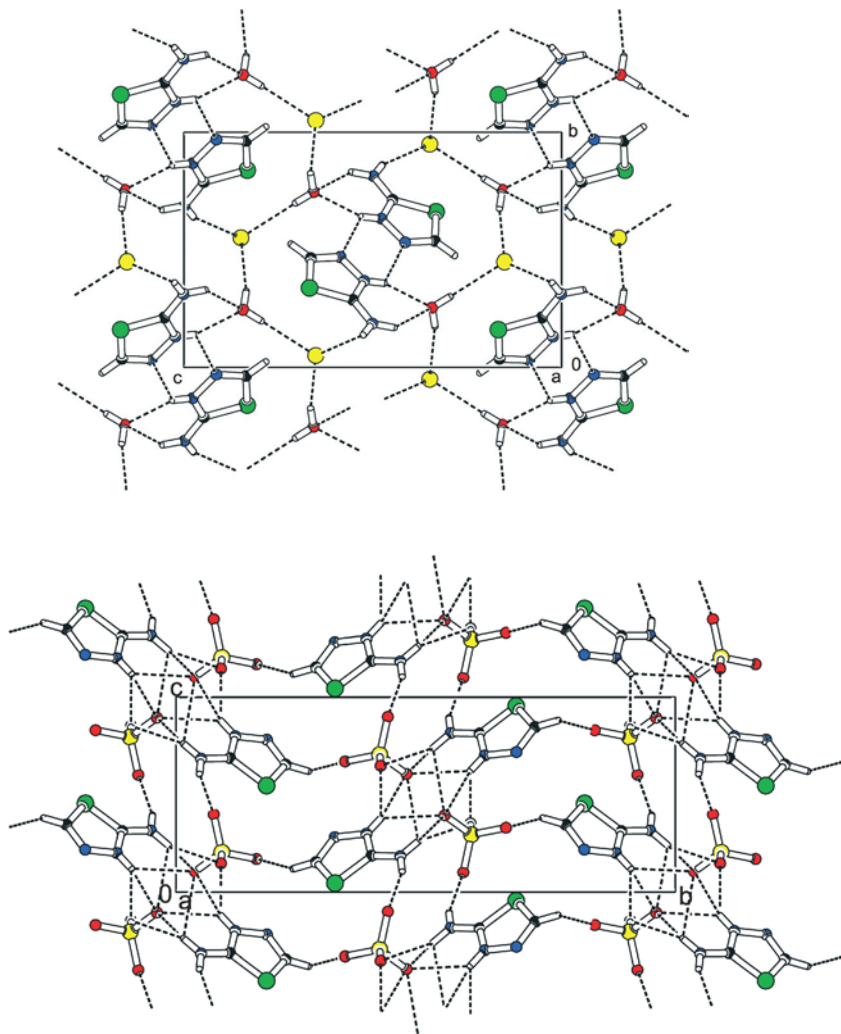


$0.04 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$

**Continuously
tuneable
micropore
volume**

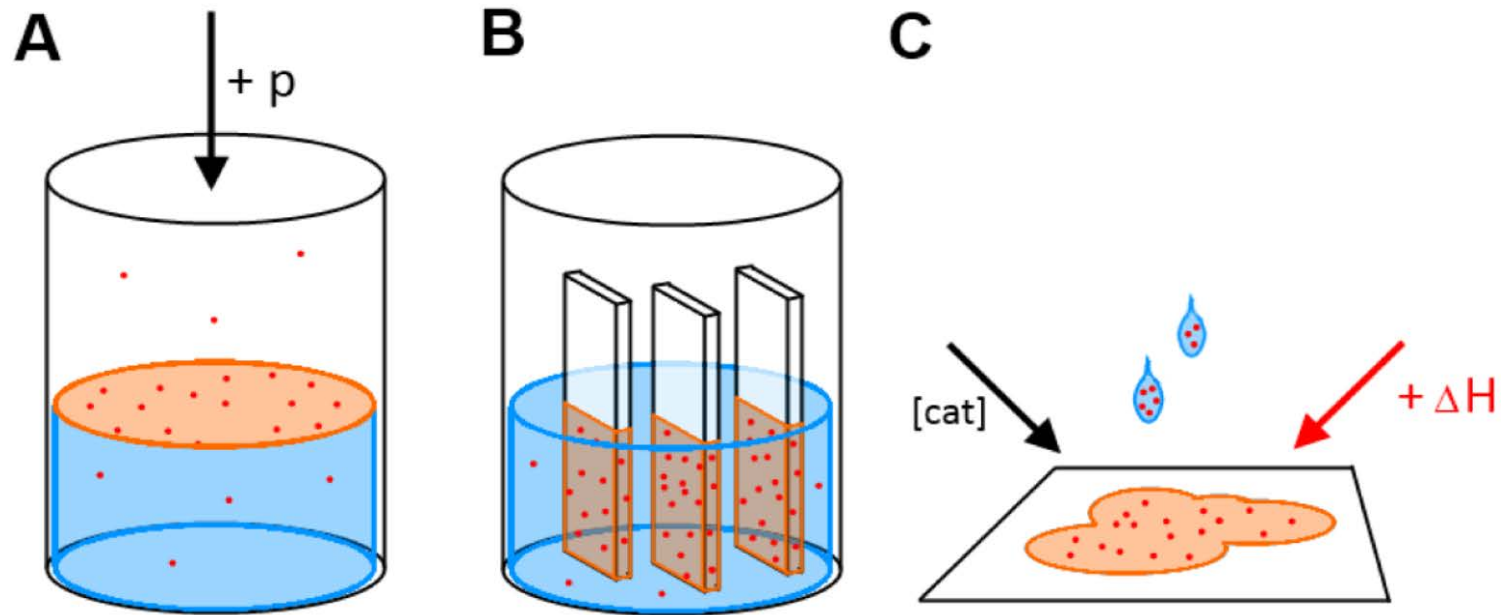
$0.25 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$

Crystal Engineering for NLO

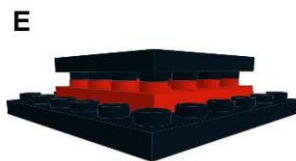
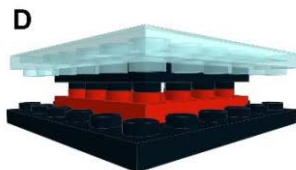
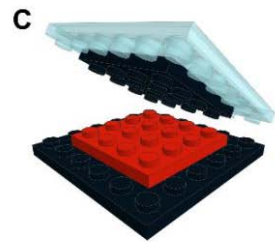
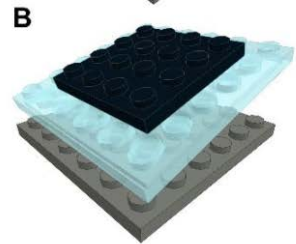
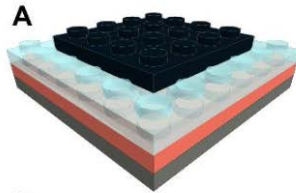


Graphene-based heterostructures

Extending the graphene family to include triazine –based
carbon nitride materials

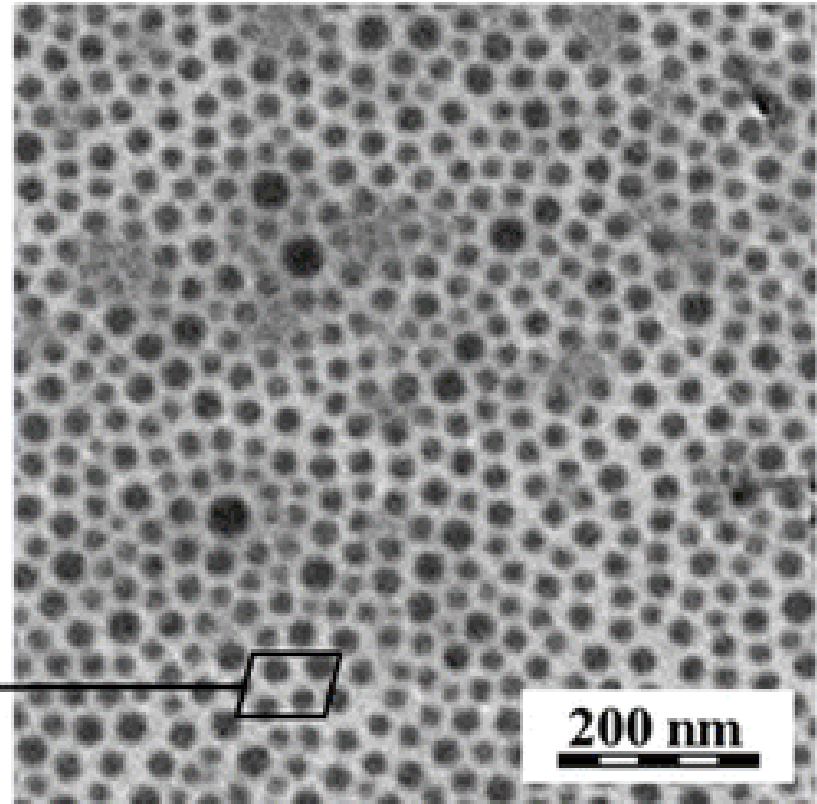
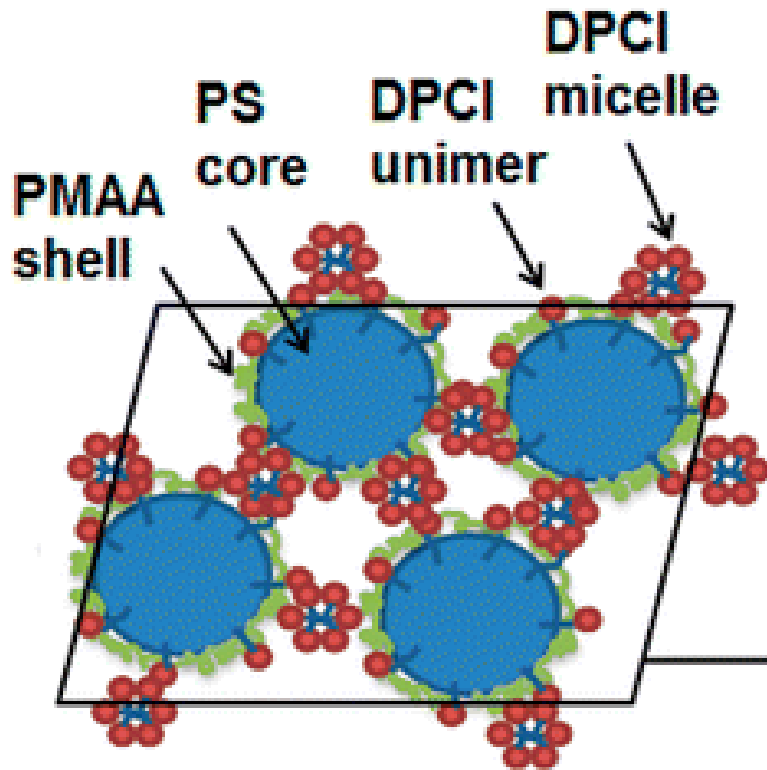


Processing of 2D materials

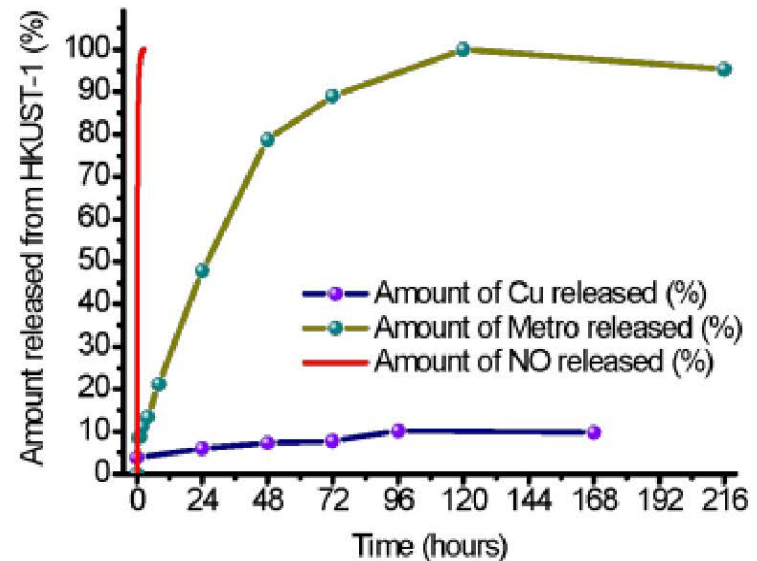
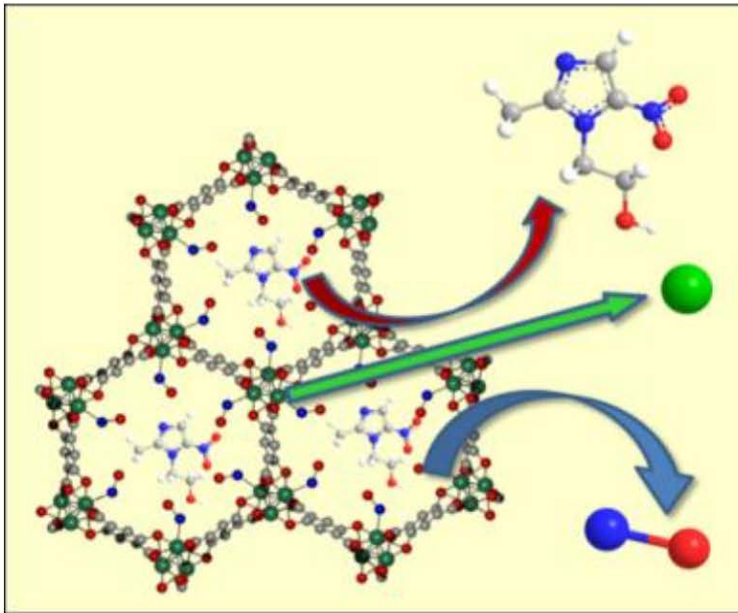


- Layer by layer processing of hybrid heterostructures

‘Hybrid’ nanoparticles



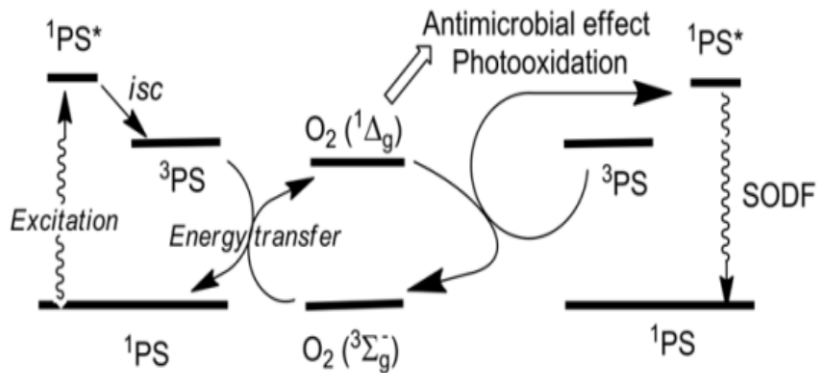
Multifunctional therapeutic materials



- Multirate delivery of multiple therapeutic agents for combination therapies

Singlet Oxygen

A



B

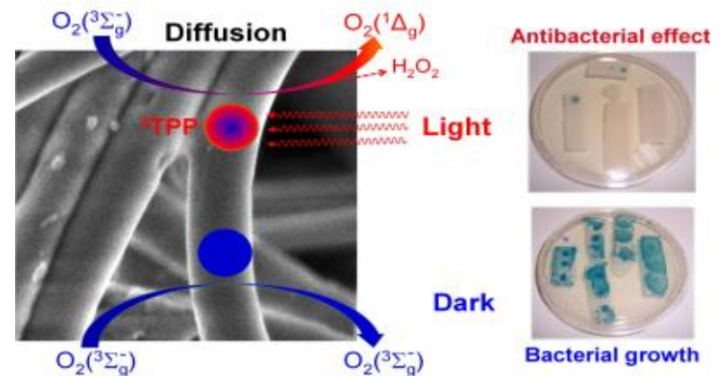
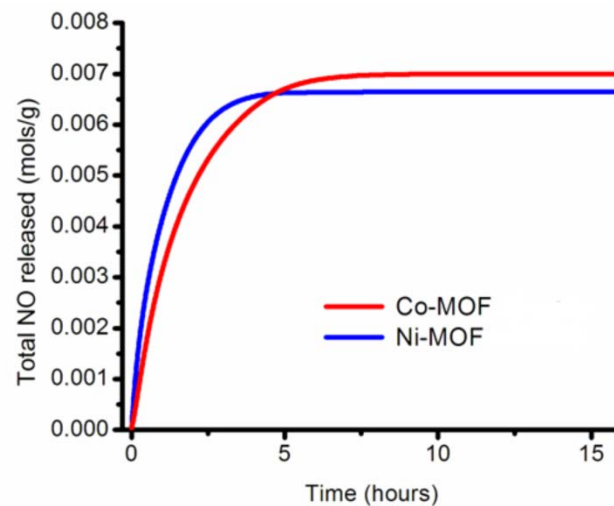
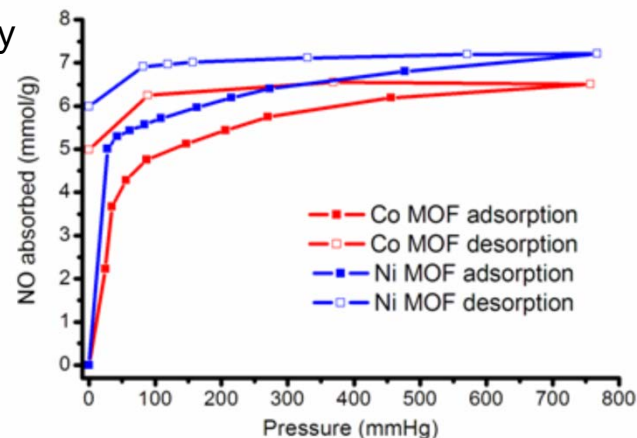
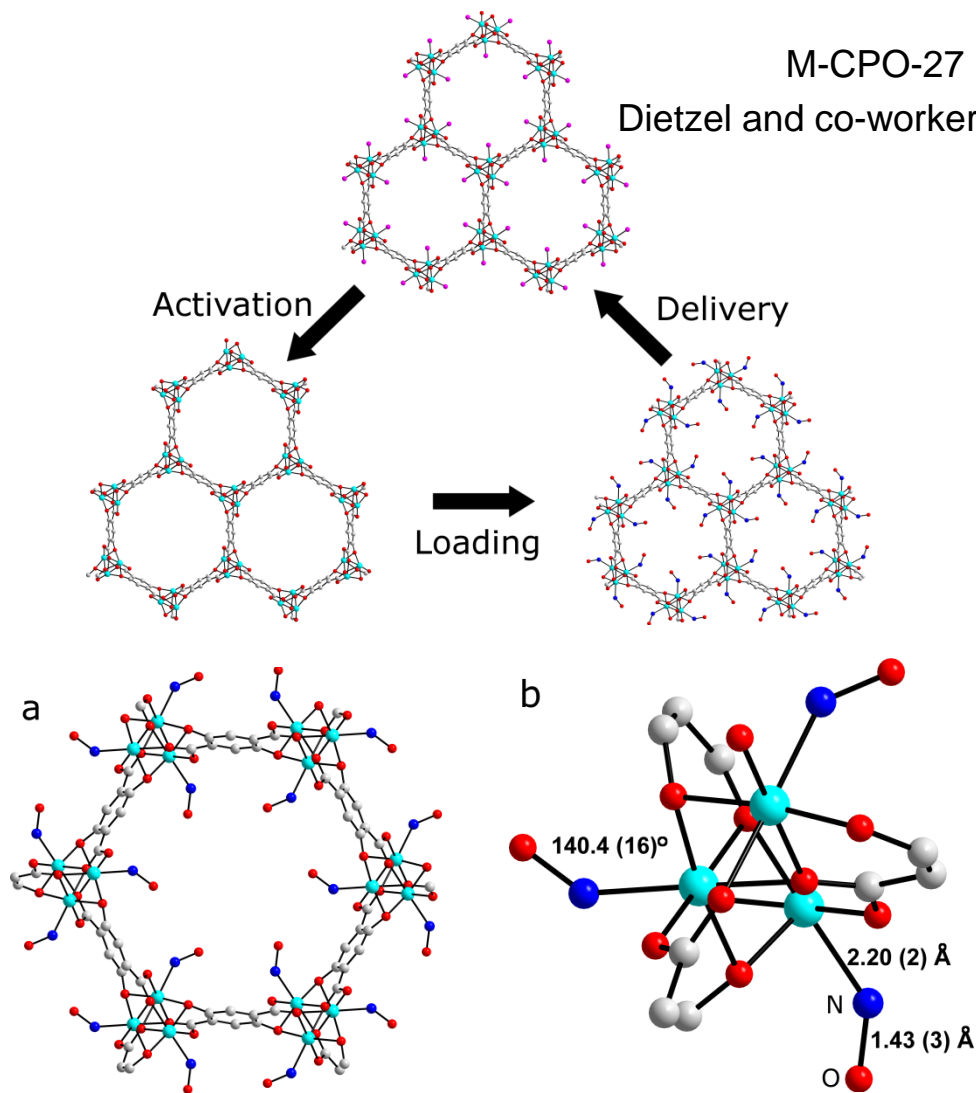


Figure 6. (A) Simplified energetic scheme of the photosensitized generation of $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ and singlet oxygen sensitized delayed fluorescence (SODF): isc designates intersystem crossing, $^1PS^*$ and 3PS are excited singlet and triplet states of photosensitizers, respectively. **(B)** The principle of antibacterial effect of nanofiber materials with encapsulated tetraphenylporphyrin (TPP) photosensitizer. Singlet oxygen is generated only at visible light and has an antibacterial effect.

NO – delivery materials

M-CPO-27

Dietzel and co-workers Norway

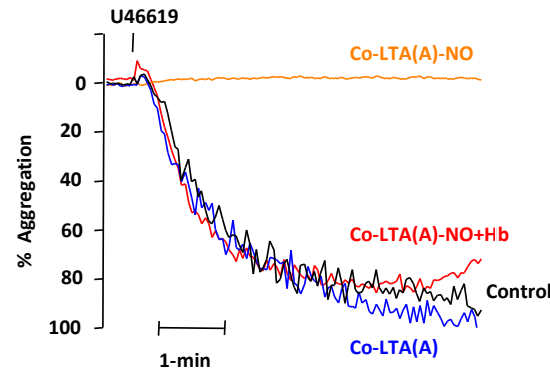
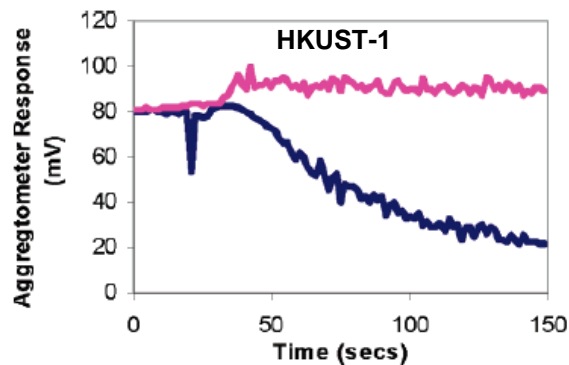




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Biology: Anti-thrombosis Materials

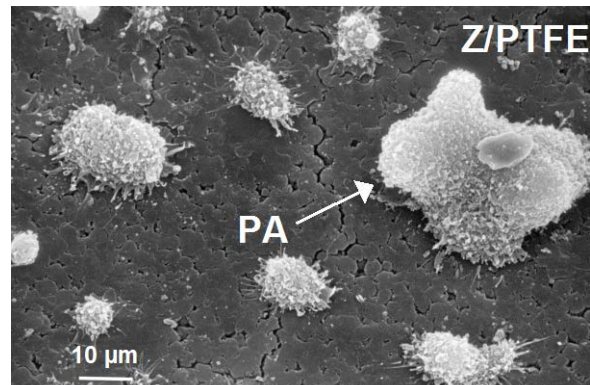
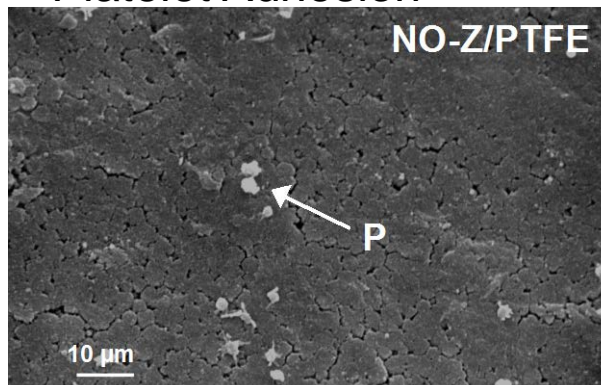
- Platelet aggregation
 - Both zeolites and MOFs inhibit platelet aggregation



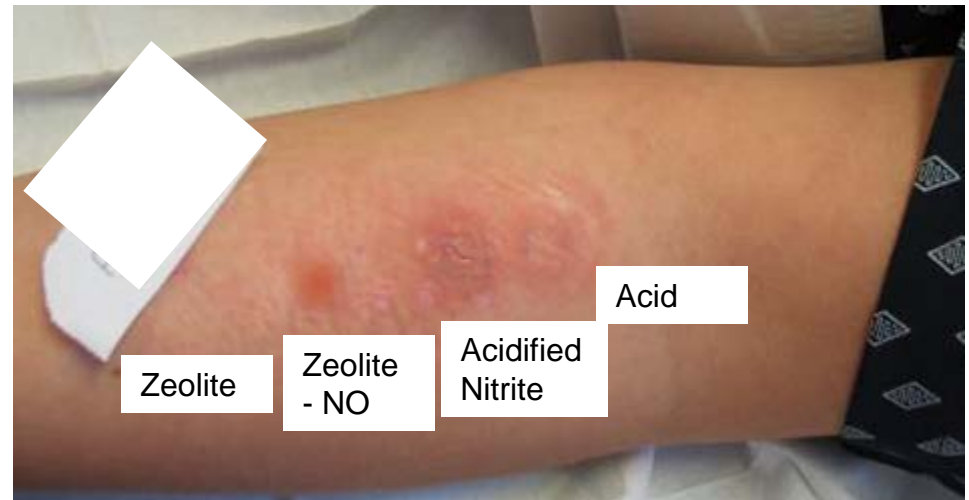
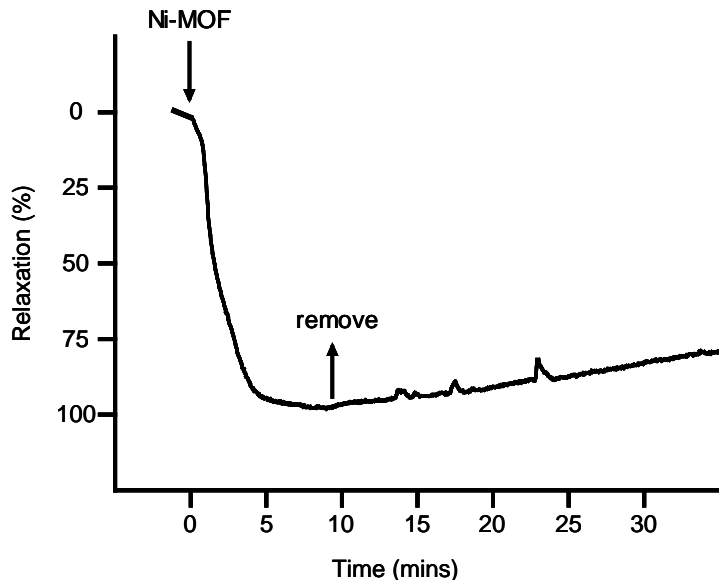
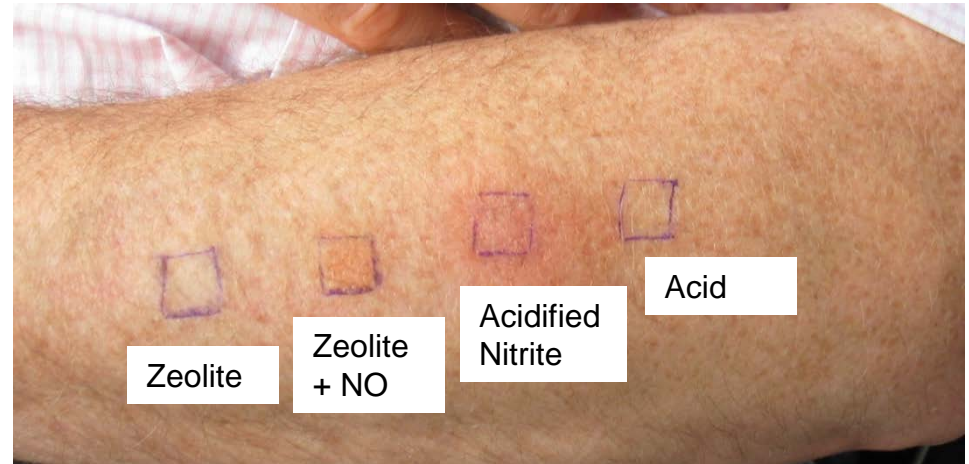
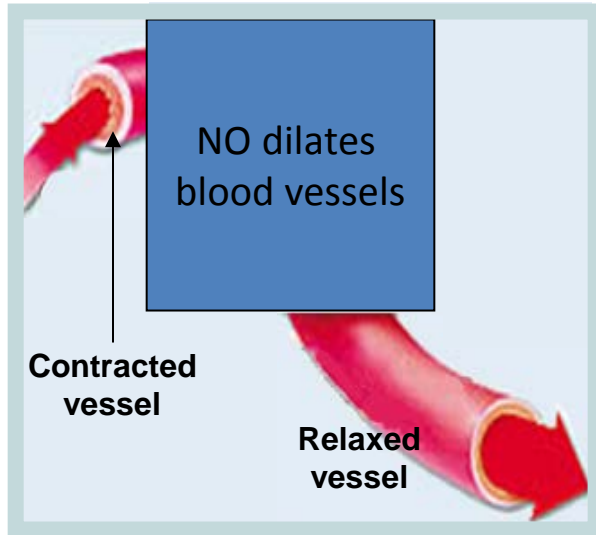
Paul Wheatley



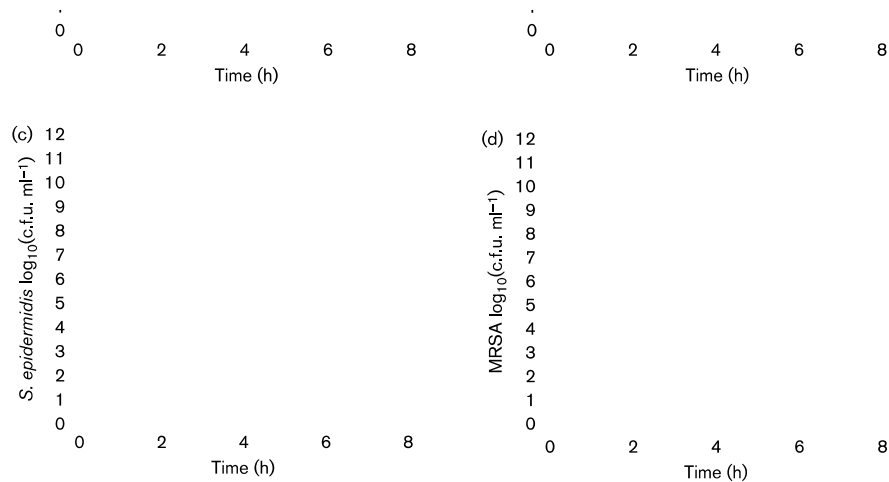
- Platelet Adhesion



Dermatology Studies



Anti-Bacterial NO zeolites

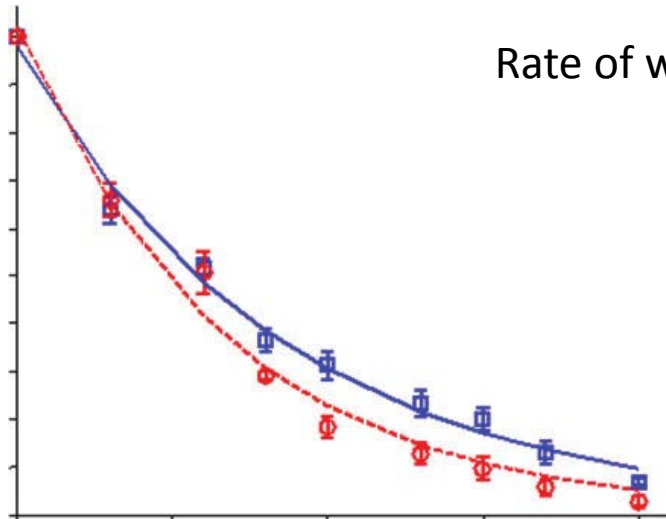


(a) *E. coli*, (b) *A. baumannii*, (c) *S. epidermidis*, (d) MRSA

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	(NO–zeolite versus initial)	(NO–zeolite versus untreated)
<i>E. coli</i>	5.9	8.4
<i>A. baumannii</i>	6.1	8.6
<i>S. epidermidis</i>	5.7	5.1
MRSA	2.9	6.0
<i>C. albicans</i>	3.0	3.1

Wound Healing study



Rate of wound closure ~30% faster

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Zeomedix

Facilities

- Computer modelling
 - The importance of computers in designing new experimental work cannot be overstated
- Characterisation
 - XRD
 - TEM
 - Adsorption
 - Spectroscopy
 - Facilities for optical and electronic material characterisation