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Dear Colleagues, friends of photonics,

We are honored by your participation at our PHOTONICA 2023 and your contribution to the tradition of this event. It is our pleasure to host you in Belgrade and in Serbia. Welcome to the world of photonics.

The International School and Conference on Photonics, PHOTONICA, is a biennial event held in Belgrade since 2007. The first meeting in the series was called ISCOM (International School and Conference on Optics and Optical Materials), but it was later renamed to PHOTONICA to reflect more clearly the aims of the event as a forum for education of young scientists, exchanging new knowledge and ideas, and fostering collaboration between scientists working within emerging areas of photonic science and technology. A particular educational feature of the program is to enable students and young researchers to benefit from the event, by providing introductory lectures preceding most recent results in many topics covered by the regular talks. In other words, tutorial and keynote speakers will give lectures specifically designed for students and scientists starting in this field. Apart from the oral presentations PHOTONICA hosts vibrant poster sessions. A significant number of best posters will be selected and the authors will have opportunity to present their work through short oral presentations – contributed talks.

The wish of the organizers is to provide a platform for discussing new developments and concepts within various disciplines of photonics, by bringing together researchers from academia, government and industrial laboratories for scientific interaction, the showcasing of new results in the relevant fields and debate on future trends.

PHOTONICA 2023 will host three joint events: PhoBioS COST Action “Understanding interaction light - biological surfaces: possibility for new electronic materials and devices”, NATO Science for Peace and Security Program (grant G5618) workshop “Biological and bioinspired structures for multispectral surveillance”, workshop on “Quantum sensing integration within microfluidic Lab-on-a Chips for biomedical applications” and BioPhysFUN workshop “Advanced Biophysical Methods for Soil Targeted Fungi-Based Biocontrol Agents”. Following the official program, the participants will also have plenty of opportunities to mix and network outside of the lecture theatre with planned free time and social events.

This book contains 130 abstracts of all presentations at the IX International School and Conference on Photonics, PHOTONICA2023. Authors from all around the world, from all the continents, will present their work at this event. There will be 4 tutorial and 7 keynote lectures to the benefits of students and early stage researches. The most recent results in various research fields of photonics will be presented through 16 invited lectures and 8 progress reports of early-stage researchers. Within the poster sessions and a number of contributed talks, authors will present 95 presentations on their new results in a cozy atmosphere of the building of Serbian Academy of Science and Arts.

Belgrade, August 2023

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In search of conditions for Gd-TiO₂ activation by light irradiation in photodynamic treatment of pancreatic cancer cells

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With difficulty in early diagnosis, inaccessibility for the surgical approach, and high resistance to radio and chemotherapies, the resulting low treatment success rates are calling for new approaches in treating pancreatic cancer [1]. Photodynamic therapy (PDT), with the use of light or X-rays, is a method that has the potential to help overcome the problems that existing approaches meet [2,3]. Through activation of photo-sensitive particles with irradiation, PDT helps the production of reactive oxygen species, consequently stimulating cell death. We have synthesized and characterized Gadolinium-doped titanium dioxide nanoparticles (Gd-TiO₂ NPs) and tested them as photosensitizers on two pancreatic cancer cell lines, MIA PaCa-2 and PANC-1. Different concentrations of NP treatment, irradiation powers, and times of irradiation were trialed as parameters of activation. Cell viability was measured 48h after treatments, and although some results implied a slight decrease in the viability of treated cells, we have met difficulties in obtaining consistency in results. Statistical significance in the decrease of the viability of treated cells in most cases was not attained, suggesting that higher concentrations or irradiation power and longer illumination time might be needed to achieve a positive PDT effect with this NP system.

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