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Historical outline

The Institute of Physical Chemistry of the Polish Academy of Sciences was founded on March 19, 1955 by the resolution of the Presidium of the Government of the People's Republic of Poland. The scientific goals of the Institute were described as follows: "The activity of the Institute of Physical Chemistry covers research on current issues in the field of physical chemistry which are important from the point of view of the development of chemical sciences and demands of the national economy".

The Institute of Physical Chemistry was the first research institute dedicated to chemical sciences in Poland. During the first period of the existence of the Institute the main task was to prepare scientific staff that would be able to undertake fundamental research in the field of physical chemistry and to provide them with the appropriate laboratories and equipment. The development of the scientific staff was possible due to the fact that the scientists in the research institute were free from teaching duties obligatory in universities and therefore were able to concentrate their activity solely on the development of science.

The first employees of the Institute included: members of the Polish Academy of Sciences: Professor W. Świętosławski, Professor St. Bretsznajder, Professor B. Kamieński, Professor M. Śmiałowski, Professor W. Trzebiatowski; professors: W. Kemula, St. Minc, K. Gumiński, J. Kamecki; four associate professors (J. Berak, Z. Szklarska-Śmiałowska, J. Wojciechowska, J. Minczewski) and auxiliary scientific workers including: 12 assistant professors, 24 assistants and 15 technicians.

Pursuant to the Statute of the Institute seven scientific departments were established:

I. Department of Structural Research (Head: Prof. Dr Włodzimierz Trzebiatowski) in Wrocław - investigation of structure of fire resistant materials, semiconductors, metal alloys and contact catalizers.

II. Department of Physicochemical Analytical Methods (Prof. Dr Wiktor Kemula) – elaboration of fast methods of control of raw materials and products by means of potentiometry, polarography, chromatography, spectrochemistry, etc.

III. Department of Physical Chemistry of Basic Organic Raw Materials (Prof. Dr. Wojciech Świętosławski) – elaboration of physicochemical characterization of organic raw materials and their products, and search for ways to separate multicomponent mixtures, like *e.g.* pitches, prapitches, rock-oil, *etc.*

IV. Department of Physical Chemistry of Surface Phenomena (Prof. Dr. Bogdan Kamieński) in Kraków, with a laboratory in Lublin (Prof. Dr. A. Waksmundzki) – elaboration of the theory of flotation for separation and enrichment of minerals and raw materials, elaboration of contact processes, research in the field of adsorption and ion exchange.

V. Department of Physical Chemistry of Electrode Processes (Prof. Dr. Michał Śmiałowski) – research on mechanism of cathode and anode processes as well as on catalysis and corrosion.

VI. Department of Electrochemistry (Prof. Dr. Stefan Minc) – elaboration of fundamentals of electrolysis in aqueous and non-aqueous solutions, and in molten salts, research on contact potentials and structure of electrolytes.

VII. Department of Physicochemical Fundamentals of Technology (Prof. Dr. Stanislaw Bretsznajder) with a laboratory in Wrocław (Prof. Dr. W. Bobrownicki) – elaboration of fundamental problems of engineering and construction of chemical apparatuses and unitary technological processes.

The first Director of the Institute and at the same time Chairman of its Scientific Council was Professor Wojciech Świętosławski, the vice-Director at that time was Professor Michał Śmiałowski. After retirement of Professor Świętosławski in 1960, the next Directors were: Professor Michał Śmiałowski (1960–1973), Professor Wojciech Zielenkiewicz (1973–1990), Professor Jan Popielawski (1990–1992), Professor Janusz Lipkowski (1992–2003), Professor Aleksander Jabłoński (2003–).

Based on the text of Professor W. Zielenkiewicz written for the chronicle on the 50th anniversary of IChF PAN of PAS.

Research areas

The present scientific profile of the Institute of Physical Chemistry is strongly linked with modern directions in physical chemistry and chemical physics. The research work covers a wide range of physicochemical disciplines and is carried out in 10 departments. The main topics presently studied at the Institute are:

- supramolecular chemistry, structure and properties; X-ray structure determinations, separation techniques, sorption/desorption processes, surface aggregation (Prof. J. Lipkowski, Dr. K. Suwińska, Dr. R. Luboradzki, Dr. A. Bielejewska, Dr. M. Asztemborska); supramolecular synthesis (Assoc. Prof. M. Pietraszkiewicz);
- thermodynamics, thermochemistry and biocalorimetry (Prof. W. Zielenkiewicz); thermodynamics of liquids (Assoc. Prof. J. Gregorowicz); development of transitiometry as a tool for study EOS and phase transitions (Assoc. Prof. S. Randzio)
- physical chemistry of solid state and surface, examined by various electron spectroscopy techniques (Prof. A. Jabłoński) and scanning tunneling microscopy techniques (Dr. R. Nowakowski);
- photophysics and photochemistry of organic molecules, involving spectrally and time resolved laser techniques (Prof. J. Waluk, Prof. Z. R. Grabowski, Prof. A. Grabowska, Prof. K. Rotkiewicz, Assoc. Prof. J. Herbich, Assoc. Prof. A. Kapturkiewicz, Assoc. Prof. J. Sepioł, Assoc. Prof. J. Dobkowski, Assoc. Prof. R. Kołos);
- studies of interaction of gas phase (mainly hydrogen) with surface of metals and alloys, especially during metal-semiconductor transition which can occur in the bulk (Prof. R. Duś);
- preparation and characterisation of highly dispersed mono- and bimetallic catalyst systems, aided by X-ray diffraction analysis (Prof. Z. Karpiński, Prof. J. Pielaszek, Assoc. Prof. Assoc. Prof. Jerzy Zieliński); structure of nanocrystalline systems modeling and experiment (Assoc. Prof. J. Pielaszek, Dr. Z. Kaszkur, Dr. B. Mierzwa); catalysis for environmental problems (Prof. Z. Karpiński, Prof. J. Pielaszek);
- statistical mechanics applied to soft matter (Prof. R. Hołyst, Prof. J. Stecki, Prof. A. Ciach, Dr. A. Poniewierski);
- electrochemistry (Prof. J. Taraszewska, Prof. Z. Borkowska, Assoc. Prof. P. Żółtowski, Prof. W. Kutner, Assoc. Prof. M. Opałło); elektrochemical oxidation of gasous fuels (Prof. L. Rostwo-Suski);
- theory of chemical kinetics (including periodical reactions), aided by computer simulations (Assoc. Prof. A. Kawczyński, Prof. J. Górecki);
- quantum theory of the solid and the molecule: the density functional theory, the chemical reactivity indices (Prof. A. Holas, Dr M.Cinal, Dr R. Balawender); theory of the magnetic thin films and the 2D crystalline systems (Prof. S. Olszewski, Dr M.Cinal, Dr T. Roliński); hydrocarbons with unusual spatial structure, molecular modeling and NMR studies of cyclodextrins, fullerenes and nanotubes (Prof. H. Dodziuk);
- corrosion, surface modification and hydrogen in metals (Prof. J. Flis, Prof. E. Łunarska, Prof. T. Zakroczymski, Prof. M. Janik-Czachor);
- kinetics and mechanism of chain reactions in homogeneous/heterogeneous systems, as related to sulphur dioxide transformations in the environment: physico-chemical fundamentals of desulphurization processes; atmosphere chemistry including impacts of organic and inorganic scavengers of sulphoxy radicals; interaction between these radicals and bioorganic compounds (Prof. W. Pasiuk-Bronikowska, Dr T. Bronikowski, Dr K.J. Rudziński, Dr J. Ziajka);

 physical chemistry of metal-hydrogen systems, including synthesis of novel materials under high pressure conditions and research of their properties; determination of EOS and search of pressure induced phase transitions in hydrides (Prof. B. Baranowski, Assoc. Prof. S. M. Filipek, Assoc. Prof. M. Tkacz).

Technological section of the Institute, the CHEMIPAN Laboratories (headed by Marek Cieślak, M. Sc.), develops and commercially manufactures fine and specialty chemicals and specialised products for agriculture and pharmacy, including pheromones ("biological traps" for woods and crop protection) and new drugs.

The Institute employees publish about 300 original papers each year.

Educational activities

In addition to research, IChF PAN also has an educational mission, both at the post-graduate and under-graduate levels.

The School for post-graduate studies was established in 1965. It provides training at the post-graduate level in the fields of both physical and theoretical chemistry. Since 1965, 224 Ph.D. degree have been thus conferred. The main topics for Ph.D. study presently include:

- electrochemistry, corrosion protection, electrocatalysis and studies of metal-solution interfaces;
- the physical chemistry and structure of supramolecular complexes and their applications;
- the physical and chemical properties of solid state surfaces and heteregenous catalysis as probed by photoelectron spectroscopy;
- photochemistry, photophysics and molecular spectroscopy
- chemical and process kinetics
- thermodynamics, thermochemistry and calorimetry
- the physico-chemical applications of statistical physics
- the quantum chemistry of solids and their surfaces
- mass spectrometry and the chemistry of gas phase molecular ions

The Institute was one of co-founders of the College of Science launched in 1993 (at present a part of the Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University). More than 30 per cent of IPCh research workers are also involved in educational activities within the College at the under-graduate level. The Institute also collaborates with the Departments of Chemistry at the Warsaw University and Technical Warsaw University. Accordingly, research workers from IPCh deliver advanced courses at under-graduate level and supervise M.Sc. theses at their facilities. In addition the Institute provides equipment for advanced student exercises, and common research projects are thus undertaken.

I. Department of Physical Chemistry of Solids

Head: Associate Professor Stanisław Filipek

The scientific staff of the Department has a long-time experience in the scope of high pressure techniques with the use of gaseous media (particularly hydrogen/deuterium), synthesis of new hydrides and study of their physicochemical properties. The Department is in possession of the equipment which is unique in the world and allows to obtain results not available with the other methods.

It concerns in particular:

- piston-cylinder apparatus for pressures (in gaseous hydrogen/deuterium) to 3 GPa generated in relatively large volumes with simultaneous heating up to 1000°C,
- diamond anvils loaded with initially compressed hydrogen and allowing to generate pressures up to 20 GPa.

The equipment is gradualy developed in order to increase the available range of pressures and temperatures. A construction of an apparatus to compress gaseous oxygen in the possibly wide range of pressures is also planned.

The objects of research will mainly include metal-hydrogen(deuterium) systems, particularly intermetallic compounds. Recent works have resulted in the discovery of a number of new hydrides in intermetallic compounds of the Laves phase type (*e.g.* $ErFe_2H_5$, YFe_2H_5 , $ZrFe_2H_3$, $ZrCo_2H_2$, YMn_2H_6 and relevant deuterides). These hydrides (except from $ZrCo_2H_2$) are stable in normal conditions; especially it concerns YMn_2H_6 with a crystal structure dramatically reconstructed in comparison with the initial C15 structure. The new structure corresponds to the compound K_2PtCl_6 with partial disorder and may be expressed as [YMn]MnH_6. It is the first time such hydride has been obtained from the Laves phase.

We expect to obtain more novel hydrides; we are going to study their properties taking into account their practical applications as well (storage of hydrogen, separation of hydrogen isotopes, electrodes in hydride batteries or fuel cells).

Another research topic, started already in 1975, is the study of influence of hydrostatic pressures on the properties of metal hydrides (including hydrides of rear earths, selected alloys and intermetallic compounds). This study will aim at the determination of equation of state and search for a possibility pressure induced phase transitions. We have already observed (partly with the participation of foreign partners) phase transitions in alkali metal hydrides, in *fcc* manganese hydride, some rare earths hydrides and in hydrides newly obtained on the basis of Laves phases.

We are also going to continue the study of electronic properties of hydride phases, including low temperature range.

Further development of very fruitful cooperation is planned with Polish and foreign partners, especially from France, Taiwan, Japan, Israel, Russia and Ukraine.

Structure of the newly discovered hydride/deuteride YMn_2D_6 with the highest concentration of hydrogen/deuterium in the intermetallic compound YMn_2 . As a result of treatment with deuterium, the Y and Mn atoms were radically rearranged what caused that the new structure differs fundamentally from the initial Laves Phase C15. The new hydride is highly stable and its chemical bonds have different character than in the hydrides that have been known in this system so far.



The Specialised Laboratory working in the structure of the Department is going to continue its production of pressure apparatuses for Polish and foreign customers.

Stanisław Filipek, Associate Professor



M.Sc., 1962 – Department of Metallurgy of Non-Ferrous Metals, Academy of Mining and Metallurgy in Kraków

M.A. - Japanese Studies, Warsaw University

Ph.D., 1978 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

D.Sc., 1991 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1962/3 – Post-Graduate Course in Application of Nuclear Energy and Isotopes, Warsaw University

1975–76, 1989, 1997, 1998 Tokyo Institute of Technology, Tokyo, Japan

1988 - University of Munich, Germany

1998 - Science University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

1988/2004 – CNRS Laboratory of Chemical Metallurgy and Spectroscopy of Rare Earth, Paris, France

2000/2006 - Taiwan National University, Taipei

Professional affiliation:

- · Polish Chemical Society,
- AIRAPT International Association for the Advancement of High Pressure Science and Technology, Member of Steering Committe

Research areas:

- 1. Physico-chemical investigations with application of high pressures, especially:
- syntheses of new materials; pressure induced phase transitions; equation of state
- structural, thermodynamic, electronic and magnetic properties of hydrides
- 2. Construction and improvement of high pressure instruments.

Selected papers

- 1. Baranowski B. and Filipek S.M., "Synthesis of Metal Hydrides" in: B.Baranowski and J. Jurczak (Eds) "High Pressure Chemical Synthesis" Elsevier Science Publishers, Amsterdam, Oxford, New York, Tokyo, pp. 55–100 (1989).
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Total number of publications: 97 (including 10 publications on Polish-Japanese relations)



Bogdan Baranowski, Professor Emeritus

M.Sc., 1951 – Department of Chemistry, University of Wrocław Ph.D., 1956 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Professor, 1964 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Educating and training:

1958, 1959–60, 1970's, 1980's – Université Libre de Bruxelles, Brussels, Belgium

1965 – Institute of Atomic and Molecular Physics, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

1971-72 - Bergakademie, Freiberg, Germany

1975-2001 short stays, 1985 Jubileum Profesorship

 Institute of Physics, Technical University, Göteborg, Sweden
 1984, 1986 – Max Planck Institut für Festkörperforschung, Stuttgart, Germany

1987-1988 - University of Belfast, Northern Ireland

Professional affiliations:

- Polish Academy of Sciences (1973)
- Polish Chemical Society (1951, president 1974–79, honorary member 1987, honorary president 1997)
- International Association for Advancement of High Pressure Science and Technology (AIRAPT) (1975, president 1989–93)
- Deutsche Akademie der Naturforscher "Leopoldina" (1976)
- Warsaw Learned Society (1981)
- Society for Advancement of Science and Arts (TPKN) (1981)
- National Ukrainian Academy of Sciences (1994)
- Committee on Chemical Sciences of Polish Academy Sciences (1981, chairman 1981-83)
- International Academy of Sciences (1986)
- Deutsche Bunsen Gesellschaft für Physikalische Chemie (1989)
- German Chemical Society (GDR) (honorary member 1990)
- Technical University, Göteborg, Sweden, dr h.c. 1993

Research areas:

Non-equilibrium thermodynamics

High-pressure physical chemistry, especially metal-hydrogen systems

Selected papers

- 1.Baranowski B., "Non-equilibrium Thermodynamics in Physical Chemistry" (in Polish); PWN, Warszawa 1974; "Nicht-Gleichgewichts-Thermodynamik in der physikalischen Chemie", VEB Deutscher Verlag für Grundstoffindustrie, Leipzig (1975).
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- 6. Baranowski B., "A simplified quantitative approach to the isothermal hysteresis in metallic hydrides with coherent interphases", J. Alloys and Compounds, 200, 87–92 (1993).

Total number of publications: 333



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Marek Tkacz, Associate Professor



M.Sc., 1970 – Department of Chemistry, Warsaw University Ph.D., 1984 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 1998 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1984–1986 – Chemical Engineering Department, University of Illinois

Professional affiliations: Polish Chemical Society (since 1974)

Research areas:

- High pressure physical chemistry
- Metal-hydrogen systems

Selected papers

- Tkacz M., Majchrzak S. and Baranowski B., "High pressure X-ray diffraction study of copper hydride" High Pressure Research, 6, 85–89 (1990).
- 2. Tkacz M. and Baranowski B., "The equations of state of Pd, Ni, Cr, and their hydrides in high pressure at room temperatures", *Polish J. Chem.*, **66** 1301 (1992).
- 3. Tkacz M. and Baranowski B., "A pressure induced phase separation in PdH_{0.6}, *Z. Phys. Chem.*, **179**, 5762 (1993).
- 4. Tkacz M., "High pressure studies of fcc chromium hydride", Polish J. Chem., 71, 1735-1741 (1997).
- Tkacz M., "Novel High-Pressure Technique for Loading Diamond Anvil Cell with Hydrogen", Polish J. Chem., 69, 1205–1209 (1995).
- 6. Tkacz M., "High pressure studies of rhodium-hydrogen system in diamond anvil cell", J. Chem. Phys., 108, 2084–2087 (1998).
- 7. Burtovyy R. and Tkacz M., "High pressure synthesis of new copper hydride from elements", Sol. St. Comm., 131, 170 (2004).
- Tkacz M. and Burtovyy R., "Decomposition of the hexagonal copper hydride at high pressure", Sol. St. Comm., 132, 37 (2004).
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- Palasyuk T. and Tkacz M., "Pressure-induced structural phase transition in rare-earth trihydrides. Part I. (GdH₃, HoH₃, LuH₃)", Sol. St. Comm., 133, 481–486 (2005).
- 11. Palasyuk T. and Tkacz M., "Hexagonal to cubic phase transition in YH₃ under high pressure", *Sol. St. Comm.*, **133**, 77–480 4 (2005).

Laboratory of High Pressures

Head: Assoc. Prof. Marek Tkacz



We offer a wide variety of high pressure apparatus and techniques for the basic research in different areas of science. They are listed below.

- 1. Studies of different properties of materials under high pressure such as:
- compressibility of liquids and solids
- pressure induced phase transformations
- transport properties.
- 2. High pressure chemical synthesis up to 2 GPa and 400 K.
- 3. X-ray diffraction studies (energy dispersive mode) in diamond anvil cells up to 40 Gpa
- 4. Designing and manufacturing of high pressure equipment for the liquid and gaseous media including gaseous hydrogen.
- 5. Hydriding and nitriding of metals and alloys up to 2 GPa



High pressure equipment available:

1. Hydraulic presses with the load ranging from 10 to 1000 tonnes.

- 2. High pressure chambers:
 - initial working volume 60 ccm, pressure limit 2.5 GPa
 - initial working volume 10 ccm, pressure limit 1.5 GPa.

3. High pressure intensifier for gaseous media including hydrogen. Pressure limit 1.2 GPa.

4. Diamond anvil cells up to 40 GPa.

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II. Department of Physical Chemistry of Supramolecular Complexes Head: Professor Janusz Lipkowski

Research areas

Research work of the Department of Physical Chemistry of Supramolecular Complexes is mainly focused on the relationship between structure and selectivity of complex formation in various heteromolecular systems, where one of the components (host) is able to bind selectively and reversibly a variety of molecular species (guest). Consequently, this property may conveniently be used in the molecular processes of dynamic separation (chromatography, electrophoresis) and detection (sensors, selective electrodes, *etc.*) of different species. The Department is composed of several laboratories specialized in areas, such as X-ray structural analysis, gas and liquid chromatography, electrophoresis, molecular films, electrochemistry of sensors and chemically modified electrodes, as well as laboratories of thermodynamics and thermochemistry.

Research is directed to molecular recognition phenomena used as starting points to design systems capable of effective separation of mixtures, activation of selected chemical reactions and molecular transport. Both skeletal systems with internal cavities of molecular dimensions (organic zeolites, cyclodextrins, calixarenes and their derivatives) and systems formed by self assembly (hydrates, including hydrophobic hydrates with dominating role of non-covalent bonding and molecularly imprinted polymers) are investigated.

Development of new methods for mixture separations based on the above-mentioned processes of molecular recognition *via* inclusion complex formation are an important specialty of the Department. Separation of enantiomers is the field where a significant part of the current research projects is involved, especially characteristic is the possibility of separation by inclusion optically active compounds lacking functional groups, and, therefore, particularly difficult to separate. The analysis of enantiomeric composition of pharmaceuticals and their metabolites or natural taste-and-flavor substances or their synthetic substitutes is the example of applications of the developed analytical methods.

Structural factors play an important role in molecular inclusion processes and, consequently, most of the investigated processes have to be based on detailed structural analysis of each of the components and the complexes formed. The departmental laboratory of diffractometry is highly specialized in investigation of supramolecular complexes, which by their nature are very susceptible to the environmental changes. As a consequence, most of the measurements must be conducted in situ, *i.e.* in mother solutions. Examples are organic zeolites and hydrophobic hydrates.



The analysis of energetic effects of complexation at a supramolecular level is provided by the thermochemical group. Beyond routine characterizing the equilibrium states of the sorption-desorption processes (enthalpy, entropy), the calorimetry group has expertise in thermokinetics of these processes. What is especially important, the kinetic information is obtained from standard calorimetric measurements and kinetic parameters of the process are defined by additional analysis of thermal effects measured during experiments using original procedures elaborated by the group members.

A new approach has been developed toward the molecular architecture of Langmuir and Langmuir-Blodgett films, such as a Krick-Watson ion pairing in films of fullerene adducts with adenine, adenosine or ATP dissolved in an aqueous subphase solution or a 'two-point' binding of layers of water-insoluble metalloporphyrin derivatives with the use of simultaneous complexation of central metal ion by bidentate ligands and peripheral crown ether substituent of a porphyrin macrocycle by sodium cation in the subphase solution.

The Department has wide international collaboration and participates in the SURPHARE European Center of Excellence as well as coordinates and is a general executor of the TALES European Center of Excellence. Outstanding formal international collaboration has been established with research groups in Russia, Ukraine, Moldova, United Kingdom, Italy, France, Israel, Romania and Spain (in frames of joint research programs) and, informal but very effective collaboration, with many other laboratories in the world, *e.g.* in Japan, Taiwan, Germany, USA.

Janusz Lipkowski, Professor

M.Sc., 1965 – Faculty of Chemistry, University of Warsaw, Poland, Cum Laude

Ph.D., 1972 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 1983 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Professor, 1990 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Honours and Membership of Professional Societies:

- Polish Academy of Sciences (corr. member since 1998, vice-President since April 2003)
- Polish Chemical Society (since 1970)
- Society for Propagation and Promotion of Sciences (1990)
- Societas Scientiarium Varsoviensis (member correspondent since 1992, full member since 2002, chairman of the Division of Mathematical, Physical and Chemical Sciences since 2002)
- American Crystallographic Association (since 1993)
- American Chemical Society (since 1999)
- British Crystallographic Association (since 1999)
- European Crystallographic Association (since 1999)
- Honorary Doctor, Institute of Inorganic Chemistry, Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibirsk, Russia (1997)
- Honorary Professor, Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences (2001)

Research areas:

- main field crystallography
- other fields supramolecular chemistry
- · current research interests inclusion complexes, non-covalent bonding, energetics of

Selected papers

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Professional affiliations:

- · Polish Chemical Society
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- Society for Advancement of Science and Arts (TPKN)
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Editorial affiliations:

 John Wiley & Sons Ltd. Solubility Series Member of the Editorial Board

Research areas:

- Thermodynamics of solutions
- Experimental investigation and computation of phase equilibria and related thermodynamic properties in binary and multicomponent systems
- Cryomertic metods of investigation of solid-liquid equilibria in eutectic systems and solid solutions including extreme dilution range
- · Methods of separation and purification of organic substances
- Investigation on solid-liquid-vapor equilbria in the systems forming associated solutions
- Liquid-liquid equlibria in systems containing electrolyte solution
- Physicochemical properties of coal chemicals
- · Physicochemical properties and decarboxylation kinetics of pyridine-carboxylic acids

Selected papers

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- 2. Świętosławski W., Bylicki A. and Jankun J., "Mutual solubilities of pyridine bases in aqueous solution of electrolytes", Bull. Acad. Polon. Sci. Ser. Chim., 1, 7–10 (1961).
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- Gierycz P and Bylicki A., "Correlation and Prediction of VLE ternary data by the NRTL equation", Z. Phys. Chem., 269, 731 (1988).
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- 7. Plesnar Z. and Bylicki A., "Solid-liquid equilibria in alkohols + hydrocarbons systems", *International DATA Series, Selected Data on Mixtures*, **22**, 259–267 (1994).

Total number of publications: 112; patents: 16

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1990-91 - Institute of Physical Chem. and Electrochemistry, Fritz-Haber-Institut der Max-Planck-Gesellschaft, Berlin, Germany (Visiting Scientist)

1991-93 - Chem. Dept., University of Houston, Houston TX, USA (Research Assistant Professor)

1994 - Institut für Festkörper- und Werkstofforschung, Dresden, Germany (Visiting Scientist)

1997, 1998, 1999, 2002 and 2003 - Chem. Dept., Wichita State University, Wichita KS, USA (Visiting Scientist)

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- Polish Chem. Soc.; Active Member, 1975-onward; Vice President of the Warsaw Div., 1989-92.
- . Electrochem. Soc., Fullerene Sect.; Active Member 1992-1994.
- . IUPAC Commission on Electroanal. Chem. (V.5) of the Anal. Chem. Division; Affiliate Member, 1988–1990; Associate Member, 1990–1995; Titular Member, 1995–2001; Secretary of Commission V.5, 1998-2001; Associate Member of the Anal. Chem. Div. Committee, 2002-2005; Titular Member of the Interdivisional Committee on Terminology, Nomenclature and Symbols, 2002-2005.

Research areas:

- Supramolecular chemistry of inclusion polymers and moleculary imprinted polymers
- . Electrochemistry and spectroscopy of fullerenes, carbon nanotubes and metalloporphyrins in the Langmuir and Langmuir-Blodgett films
- Electrodes modified with conducting polymers: electrochemical sensors and biosensors
- Simultaneous electrochemical and piezoelectric microgravimetry detection in flow analytical techniques
- Development of electroanalytical and piezoelectric microgravimetry instrumentation

Selected papers

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- 5.Kutner W. and Doblhofer K., "Simultaneous cyclic voltammetry and electrochemical quartz-crystal microbalance study at the polymer film modified electrodes of molecular inclusion of ferrocene by the β -cyclo-dextrin polymer film and carboxymethylated β -cyclodextrin polymers as well as ferrocenecarboxylic acid by β -cyclodextrin polymer", J. Electroanal. Chem., **326**, 139–160 (1992).
- 6. Koh W., Dubois D., Kutner W., Jones M.T. and Kadish K.M., "Electrosynthesis and electrodoping of C⁸₀ (n = 0, 1, 2, or 3) films: electrochemical quartz crystal microbalance study in acetonitrile solutions of alkaline-carth-metal, or tetra(n-butylammonium cations", J. Phys. Chem., 97, 6871-6879 (1993).
- 7. D'Souza F., Choi J-p., Kutner W., "Catalytic reduction of α, ω -dihaloalkanes, X(CH₂)_mX (X=Cl, Br or 1 and m=2 to 8), by electrochemically generated C_{70}^{n} (m=2 to 3) in benzonitrile solutions", J. Phys. Chem. B, 102, 4247-4252 (1998).
- 8. Marczak R., Hoang V.T., Noworyta K., Zandler M.E., Kutner W. and D'Souza F., "Molecular recognition of adenine, adenosine and ATP at the air-water interface by uracil appended fullerene", J. Mater. Chem., 12, 2123-2129 (2002).

Total number of publications: 106; patents: 5



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M.Sc., 1953 – Department of Chemistry, University of Warsaw

Ph.D., 1960 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 1974 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Professor, 1987 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1963–64 – Imperial College, London, Great Britain (visiting lecturer)

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Professional affiliations:

- Polish Chemical Society
- · American Chemical Society
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- ICSU Committee on Data for Science and Technology (CODATA) Task Group on Phase Equilibrium Data (1986–2001)
- International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) Committee on Thermodynamic Tables (1977–1987)

Editorial affiliations:

- Fluid Phase Equilibria, 1977-1995
- Thermodynamical Data for Technology, 1979-1988
- · Chemical and Biochemical Engineering Quarterly, 1987 present
- IUPAC International Thermodynamic Tables of Fluid State, 1977-1987
- International Data Series A. Selected Data on Mixtures, 1973-1985 & 1993-2001
- Journal of Chemical & Engineering Data, 2004–2006

Research areas:

- · Measurements of vapour-liquid equilibria and other thermodynamic properties
- Methods for the representation of phase equilibria and fluid properties with emphasis on excess function models and the computation of phase equilibria and separation processes
- Thermodynamics of chemicals propagation in the environment

Selected papers

- 1. Malanowski S., "Vapour-liquid equilibrium, determination, calculation, application", PWN, Warszawa 1974 (in Polish).
- 2. Malanowski S. and Szafrański A. (Eds.), "Vapour-Liquid Equilibrium in Multicomponent Systems", PWN, Warszawa 1980.
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- Malanowski S. and Anderko A., "Modelling Phase Equilibria: Thermodynamic Background and Practical Tools", J. Wiley, New York 1992, pp. 311.

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Research areas:

Characterization of physicochemical properties, and particulary of the redox behaviour of supramolecular complexes containing transition metal ions

- · Modification of electrodes with macrocyclic complexes-application in electrocatalysis
- Study of polynuclear azamacrocyclic complexes
- · Azamacrocyclic transition metal complexes with appended crown ethers as electrochemical sensors
- Study of cyclodextrin inclusion complexes directed on pharmaceutical applications

Selected papers

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- 4. Taraszewska J., Rosłonek G. and Korybut-Daszkiewicz B., "Redox properties of novel dinuclear Ni(II) bis-tetraazamacrocyclic complex", *Supramolecular Chem.*, **12**, 115–121 (2000).
- 5. Taraszewska J., Migut K. and Kozbiał M., "Complexation of flutamide by native and modified cyclodextrins", J. Phys. Org. Chem., 16, 121-126 (2003).
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M.Sc., 1955 - Department of Mat.-Fiz.-Chemistry, University of Warsaw

Ph.D., 1961 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Professor, 1971 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Titular Professor, 1987 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Professional affiliations:

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- Polish Chemical Society
- Polish Physical Society
- Polish Society of Calorimetry and Thermal Analysis, W. Swietoslawski – President and then Honorary President
- American Chemical Society
- International Society Nucleosides, Nucleotides and Nucleic Acids

Research areas:

Thermodynamics, thermochemistry and calorimetry:

- The theory of calorimetry
- Selected problems of biothermodynamics: thermodynamics investigations of enzymes and proteins, solutions of nucleic acid bases, conformational changes of nucleic acid and proteins
- Thermodynamics of inclusion compounds. Determination of constants binding, changes of free Gibbs energy, enthalpy and entropy, partial molar volumes and heat capacities
- Heat of combustion using the fluorine calorimetric bomb and oxygen rotating calorimetric bomb.

Selected papers

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- 3.Zielenkiewicz W., Margas E., "Theory of Calorimetry", Kluwer Academic Publishers B.V., Dordrecht/Boston/London, 2002 (str. 215).
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- 6.Komorowski S.J., Grabowski Z.R. and Zielenkiewicz W., "Pulsed photoacoustic determination of quantum yield of triplet state formation", J. Photochem., 30(2), 141-151 (1985).
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- 9. Zielenkiewicz W., "Thermodynamic investigations on derivatives of pyrimidine nucleic acid bases. Joint use of calorimetric, volumetric and structural data for the description of properties of pyrimidine nucleic acid bases their derivatives", *Thermochim. Acta*, **405**, 1–15 (2003).

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Research area:

- High pressure phase equilibria
- · Thermodynamics of phase equilibria
- · Application of supercritical fluids to polymer processing



Selected papers

- Gregorowicz J., Fermeglia M., Soave G. and Kikic I., "The Perturbed -Hard Chain theory for the prediction of supercritical fluid extraction: Pure compounds properties", *Chem. Eng. Sci.*, 46, 1427–1436 (1991).
- 2. Chyliński K. and Gregorowicz J., "Liquid phase PVT data of alkylbenzenes", *Fluid Phase Equilibria*, 64, 237–249 (1991).
- 3. Gregorowicz J., de Loos Th.W. and de Swaan Arons J., "Unusual retrograde condensation in ternary hydrocarbon systems", *Fluid Phase Equilibria*, **73**, 109–115 (1992).
- 4. Gregorowicz J., de Loos Th.W. and de Swaan Arons J., "Three phase equilibria in the binary system ethylene + eicosane and the ternary system propane + ethylene + eicoasne", J. Chem. Eng. Data, 38, 417–421 (1993).
- 5. Gregorowicz J., "Solubilities of lactic acid and 2-hydroxyhexanoic acid in supercritical carbon dioxide", *Fluid Phase Equilibria*, **166**, 39–46 (1999).
- 6. Gregorowicz J. and de Loos Th.W., "High pressure phase equilibria in asymmetric binary and ternary hydrocarbon mixtures", *Ins. Eng. Chem. Res.*, 40, 444–451 (2001).

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Editorial affiliations:

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Research areas:

Thermophysics and transitiometry of condensed matter and interfaces:

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- · phase transitions in macromolecular and asymmetric systems;
- · polymers under near-critical conditions;
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- · piezothermal properties of liquids and fluids.
- · transitiometry, including at supercritical conditions

Selected papers

- Randzio S.L. and Suurkuusk J., "Interpretation of calorimetric thermograms and their dynamic corrections", chapter in "Biological Microcalorimetry" (A. Beezer, Ed.), Academic Press, 1980, pp. 311–341.
- Randzio S.L., "Calorimetric determination of pressure effects on the thermodynamic properties of liquids", chapter in "Experimental Thermodynamics, vol. 4: Solution Calorimetry" (Eds. P.A.G. O'Hare and K.N. Marsh), Blackwell Scientific 1994, pp. 303–324.
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- 4. Randzio S.L., "Scanning Transitiometry", Chem. Soc. Rev., 25, 383-392 (1996).
- 5. Randzio S.L. and Grolier J.P.-E. "Supercritical Transitiometry of polymers", *Anal. Chem.*, 70, 2327–2333 (1998).
- 6. Randzio S.L., "Recent developments in calorimetry", Ann. Rep. Prog. Chem., (The Royal Society of Chemistry), Sect. C, 94, 433-504 (1998).
- Randzio S.L., Flis-Kabulska I. and Grolier J.-P.E., "Reexamination of phase transitions in the starch-water system" *Macromolecules*, 35, 8852–8859 (2002).
- Randzio S.L., "Recent developments in calorimetry", Ann. Rep. Prog. Chem. (Royal Soc. Chem.), Sect. C, 98, 157–217 (2002).
- 9. Randzio S.L., Flis-Kabulska I. and Grolier J.-P.E., "Influence of fiber on the phase transformations in the starch-water system", *Biomacromolecules*, 4, 937–943, (2003).

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Professional affiliations:

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Research areas:

- · Thermodynamics of phase equilibria
- · Calorimetry
- Supercritical Extraction
- Nanomaterials

Selected papers

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- Gierycz P., "Mathematical Modeling of Vapour-Liquid Equilibria." a chapter in the book: "Thermodynamics for Environment", edited by Gierycz P. and Zielenkiewicz W., Information Processing Centre, Warszawa, 355 (2003).
- 3. Gierycz P., "Methods of Correlation and Prediction of Vapour-Liquid Equilibria of Multicomponent Systems." a chapter in the book: "Thermodynamics for Environment", edited by Gierycz P. and Zielenkiewicz W., Information Processing Centre, Warszawa, 373 (2003).
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- 5. Gierycz P., "Comparison and verification of methods for correlation and prediction of VLE in multicomponent systems." *Polish J. Chem.*, **70**, 1373 (1996).



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- Isoperibol solution calorimeter. Specifications: volume of reaction vessel 150 cm³; range of temperature 20÷50°C; accuracy of temperature determination 2·10⁻³oC; sensitivity 5·10⁻² cal·min⁻¹, the mass of the substance used 10–30 mg.

• Microcalorimetr LKB 10700 batch, flow, adsorption for determination of the enthalpy of mixing and dilution. Specifications: range of temperature $20 \div 40^{\circ}$ C, stability 0.001°C, sensitivity: 0.5 μ W, accuracy: 1%.

- Conduction calorimeter for measuring the total heat effects and thermokinetics. Specifications: volume of the calorimetric cell: 30 cm³; mass of the sample: 10÷20 g; temperature range: 20÷50°C; time constant: 780 s; heat loss coefficient: 7.7 W·V⁻¹.
- Thermal analysis devices: Du Pont Thermal Analyst System 2100; Calvet TG-DSC 111 SETARAM. Specifications (Calvet TG-DSC 111 SETARAM): mass of substance: 0.5÷100 mg; range of temperature: -180 ÷ 800°C. Specifications of Du Pont Thermal Analyst System 2100: mass of the substance 0.5 ÷ 100 mg; sensitivity (DTA, TGA) 0.4%, (DSC) 1%; range of the temperature (DSC) 180°C ÷ 700°C; (DTA) 180°C ÷ 700°C; (TGA) 20°C ÷ 1200°C.
- Heat conduction microcalorimeter for thermokinetics investigations, titration experiments, heat effect of reaction. Specifications: sensitivity: 103 μV·mW⁻¹; total volume of vessel: 3 cm³; time constant: 151 s; lowest detectable continuous heat effects: 6·10⁻⁷W.
- The measurement of vapour pressure and the enthalpy of sublimation with use of two methods: inert gas flow method and Knudsen method. Specifications (inert gas flow method): temperature range: to 300°C; sample capacity: about 30 mg. Specifications of Knudsen method: temperature range: 20 ÷ 270°C; sample capacity: above 100 mg; sensitivity: 0.5 ÷ 4%.
- Density measurement used to determination of the apparent volume changes (Densimeter DMA60/602, Anton PAAR). Specifications: accuracy: ±1.5·10⁻⁶ g·cm⁻³; temperature coefficient: -3·10⁻⁴ g·cm⁻³·K⁻¹; pressure coefficient: -5·10⁻⁵ g·cm⁻³ ·bar⁻¹; sample size: 0.7 cm³; sensitivity: 1 g·cm⁻¹.



 Microcalorimeter DASM-4 to observation changes of heat capacities and heat of conformational changes of biopolimers. Specifications: volume of the cell: 0.5 ml; temperature range: 250÷400 K; heating rates: 0.1÷2 K·min⁻¹; sensitivity: 0.2 μW; accuracy: 0.05 mJ·K⁻¹.

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- enantiomeric composition of some therapeutics applied in the treatment of liver and kid-ney diseases (they differ from one another by enantiomeric composition)
- micro preparative methods for ultra pure standards of optically active hydrocarbons (e.g. (-) camphene samples of 94% enantiomeric purity)
- methods to control enantiomeric purity of chiral drugs (e.g. bromofosfamide and its me-tabolites).

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Purity of samples used for film preparation is examined with a gradient HPLC system composed of two pumps Model 6000 of Waters, Millipore Corp. (Milford MA, USA) and a home made gradient controller as well as a UV-vis detector type SPD10A of Shimadzu Corp. (Tokyo, Japan) or a home made electrochemical detector. These samples are purified, if needed, by using a semi-preparative mode of this HPLC system.

Mono- and multilayer Langmuir films floating on aqueous subphase solutions are prepared and their spreading properties investigated by using a rectangular trough, type BAM 601 of Nima Technology, Ltd., (Coventry, UK). During the film compression and expansion, surface pressure and surface potential are simultaneously measured with a Nima PS-4 surface pressure (Wilhelmi plate) sensor and a Nima KP-2 surface potential (Kelvin probe) sensor, respectively. Moreover, the film morphology is imaged continuously during compression-expansion cycling with a Brewster angle microscope type MiniBAM of NFT-Nanofilm Technologie, GmbH (Göttingen, Germany).

With a Nima D1L linear dipper, the Langmuir films are vertically transferred, by using the Langmuir-Blodgett (LB) technique, onto solid substrates, such as quartz slides, indium-tin oxide (ITO) slides or highly oriented pyrolytic graphite (HOPG) specimens, or onto quartz crystal oscillators for UV-vis spectroscopy, UV-vis spectro-electrochemistry or simultaneous electrochemical and piezoelectric microgravimetrical characterization, respectively. Moreover, the monolayer films are prepared on solid substrates by self-assembly while multilayer films by electrochemical polymerization, dip- or spin-coating as well as electrochemical polymerization, or either electrophoretic or vacuum deposition.

With a Monolayer/Grazing Angle Accessory for FT-IR Spectroscopy of Graseby Specac, Ltd. (Kent, UK) the IR spectra are recorded with a 170SX FT-IR spectrometer of Nicolet (Madison, WI, USA) of either floating Langmuir films or those transferred onto solid substrates by using the LB technique.

For simultaneous piezoelectric microgravimetry and electrochemistry measurements electrochemical quartz crystal microbalances of the Institute of Physical Chemistry (Warsaw, Poland) are used. The 5 or 10 MHz quartz crystal oscillators serve for operation under steady-state (Model EQCM 5510 and 5710) or flow-through (EQCM 5610) solution conditions. The EQCM 5610 microbalance features a flow-through quartz crystal holder suitable for simultaneous piezoelectric microgravimetry and electrochemical detection measurements in flow analytical techniques, such as flow injection analysis (FIA) and micro-bore column HPLC. The EQCM 5710 microbalance is used for simultaneous measurement of current or charge, frequency or frequency changes and dynamic resistance allowing thus for measurement of both mass and viscoelastic changes during an electrochemical process.

Viscoelastic properties in solutions of films and mass changes are also simultaneously examined by analyzing components of electromechanical impedance of the film-coated quartz crystal oscillators in air and in solution. For that purpose, an 8712E RF Network Analyzer of Agilent Technologies (Englewood, CO, USA) is used, along with a dedicated VEE software, either in a transmission (in air) or reflection (in air and in solution) mode of operation. Analysis of the viscoelestic film properties can be performed under electrochemical conditions if the Autolab electrochemistry system (see below) is connected.

Electrochemical measurements on films are carried out with a driven by dedicated GPES 4.5 software two Autolab electrochemical systems of Eco Chemie (Utrecht, The Netherlands), equipped with cards of a PGSTAT20 potentiostat, BIPOT bipotentiostat, ECD microelectrode unit, and FRA frequency response analyzer, which is used for measurements of the electrochemical impedance spectroscopy. Moreover, rotating ring-disk electrode (RRDE) voltammetric and chronoamoperometric measurements on the films are performed.

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Laboratory of Thermodynamics

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The Laboratory of Thermodynamics is devoted to measurements and computation of thermodynamic properties of pure organic compounds and mixtures of these. The main interest is focused on the development of theoretical and empirical methods for the measurement, prediction and correlation of phase equilibrium and related thermodynamic properties. The necessary equipment is constructed and assembled in the Laboratory.

Our service focuses on most important information for process design. Our experimental facilities comprise a variety of equipment for the determination of pure component properties (vapor pressures, liquid densities, etc.), phase equilibrium (VLE, azeotropic data, activity coefficients at infinite dilution, LLE, SLE, gas solubility, Henry coefficients, *etc.*) and excess volumes. The choice

between static or dynamic, synthetic or analytic, batch and flow apparatus allows to apply the most suitable technique for a given problem (pressure and temperature range, nature of the compounds and their mixtures). The measurements are made in a pressure range up to 8 MPa and a temperature range between 70 and 400 K. We provide our customers with the most reliable data in a short time, depending on the extent of the demand.

The Laboratory has permanent contracts with American Institute of Chemical Engineers (DIPPR Project 805).

In recent years laboratory has delivered equipment for determination of phase equilibrium to following customers:

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- Enichem Spa, via G. Fauser 4, 28100 Novara, Italia
- OIKOlab, Marathonos Str. 63, Gerakas, 153 44 Athens, Greece
- Istituto per la Tecnica del Freddo cnr, Corso Stati Uniti, 4, 35127 padova, Italia
- Université de Metz, Laboratoire de Thermodynamique et d'Analyse Chimique, 11e du Saulcy, F-57045 Metz, France
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Laboratory of X-Ray Structural Analysis

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Laboratory of X-Ray Structural Analysis, being a part of the Department II, is specialized in investigation of crystal and molecular structures by X-ray diffraction on single crystals and powder specimens. Equipped with two automatic diffractometers for single crystals Nonius KappaCCD and KUMA Diffraction KM-4, and one powder diffractometer Bruker AXS D8 Advance, is prepared to perform a complete structural analysis from data collection through data reduction, structure solution, structure refinement to graphical representation of the structure. Scientific staff working in the Laboratory is experienced in crystallography of organic, inorganic and organometallic compounds. Additionally, it is also possible



to perform analysis of phase composition and texture study of powder samples. Diffraction measurtements can be performed at controlled temperature within the range from 80 to 400 K using LT device of OXFORD CRYOSYSTEMS Series 700.

Scientific projects actually performed within Laboratory include:

- Physicochemistry and structural chemistry of supramolecular complexes including chiral systems.
- 2. Structure and dynamics of supramolecular complexes.
- 3. Analysis of phase composition.
- 4. Data collections and structural analysis for other scientific groups.

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III. Department of Soft Condensed Matter and Fluids

Head: Professor Robert Holyst

There are two main research topics in the Department III

- 1. Study of phase transitions (including kinetics of these transitions) and the structure of liquid crystals, polymers, microemulsions and ionic liquids.
- 2. Surface phenomena in soft matter including adsorption, structure of interfaces, structure of systems in restricted geometry.

At the beginning of 1970s Professor Stecki began to develop statistical thermodynamics of liquid crystals in the Department and also the density functional theory to phase transitions, structures and elastic properties of liquid crystal systems. The result of this research in liquid crystal systems was the discovery of a close relation between nematic elastic constants and correlation functions. The density functional theory was also generalised to include highly correlated (dense) liquid crystal systems in the form of the weighted density approximation.

Since 1990 the Department has begun research on polymer solutions, polymer mixtures, surfactant mixtures and mixtures of polymers and surfactants apart from the study of liquid crystals. The most important achievement in this research was the discovery of complicated structures created by mixtures of water, surfactants and carbohydrates (1996). The discovery included a gyroid structure of genus 157, which is the most complicated structure known in the world so far. It gave rise to the use of geometry and topology in the study of kinetics and dynamics of phase transitions. Since 2000, along with the theoretical research, experimental works have been carried out in the Department, including experiments using laser light scattering, optical microscope, electrophoresis as well as small angle X-ray scattering applied for soft matter structures (gels, mixtures of polymers, liquid crystals, surfactants).

At present new topics are studied including protein diffusion between membranes in surfactant mixtures with water; dynamic light scattering on micelles in surfactant mixtures with water and dewetting in liquid helium.

The staff of the Department III cooperates with scientists from many centres in the world: in USA (Harvard, University of Minnesota, University of Washington, Oregon State University, University of Chicago, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Northwestern University, Stony Brook University), France (Ecole Normale Superieure), Germany (Max Planck Institutes in Stuttgart, Mainz and Teltow, University of Paderborn, Technical University of Berlin, University in Essen), Japan (Mitsui Chemicals Inc.), South Korea (Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology), England (Oxford, Bristol University, University in Southampton), Norway (Trondheim University) and Belgium (University of Brussels).



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In the years 1995-1997 a theoretical method for creating periodic surfaces of unrestricted complexity was discovered in the Department III. Scientists in the world had worked on this problem since the end of 19th century. The picture shows the structure of genus (number of holes) 157 obtained by means of this method and so far it has been the most complex periodic structure known in the world. Such structures existing in nature (block copolymers, surfactants or zeolites) awake interest in mathematicians, chemists and physicists and are applied as mesoscopic sieves, catalyzers, high resistance light materials, photonic crystals or materials for holography). Our works have aroused interest in chemists from the Imperial College and Cambridge (Prof. J. Kalinowski, a most frequently quoted Polish chemist) and physicists from Princetown University as well as a mathematician, Alan Schoen, who in 1970 made the most significant discoveries in the field of periodic surfaces since the end of 19th century.
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Education and training:

1989–1991 – Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Washington, USA

1993, 1994, 1995 (4 months). Visiting Fellow, Max Planck Institute for Polymer Science, Mainz, Germany

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1994–1996 Vice-Rector College of Science, Warsaw, Poland 2001 – Head of Department, Institute of Physical Chemistry PAS, Poland

2001 - Professor, College of Science, UKSW, Poland

2003 - Vice-chairmen of Scientific Council, Institute of Physical Chemistry PAS

1991–2001 Short time visits (less than 3 weeks) Harvard, MIT, Brandeis University of Chicago, Ecole Normale Superieure de Paris, Universite Paris Sud, Simon Fraser University, University of Paderborn, Johannes Gutenberg University, Brown University, AMOLF Institute in Amsterdam, Leiden University, Ecole Superieure de Physique et Chimie Industrielles, Universite de Grenoble, Claude Bernard Universite de Lyon, CEA-Saclay, University of Minnesota, Tokyo University, Nagoya University, University of Reading, Universite Libre de Bruxelles, Technical University of Berlin, Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology.

Research areas:

• Soft and living matter: liquid crystals, polymers, microemulsions, Brownian motion, topology and geometry, phase transitions, structure, biochemical networks.

Selected papers

- 1. Hołyst R., "Landau-Peierls instability, x-ray diffraction patterns and surface freezing in thin smectic films", *Phys. Rev. A*, 44, 3692 (1991).
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- 4. Hołyst R., Poniewierski A., Fortmeier P. and Stegemeyer H., "Coupling of polarization and dislocation in ferroelectric smectic liquid crystal films", *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **81**, 5848–5851 (1998).
- 5. Hołyst R. and Przybylski B., "Topological Lifshitz line, off-specular scattering and mesoporous materials", *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **85**, 130–133 (2000).
- 6. Fiałkowski M., Aksimentiev A. and Holyst R., "Scaling of the Euler characteristic, surface area and curvatures in the phase ordering/separating systems", *Phys. Rev.Lett.*, **86**, 240 (2001).
- 7. Graca M., Wieczorek S.A. and Hołyst R., "Polymer domain grown in ordered LC Matrices", *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **90**, 115504 (2003).
- 8. Burdy K. and Hołyst R., "Mechanisms of facilitated forget location and the optimal number of molecules in the diffusion search proces", *Phys. Rev. E*, **64**, 011914-1 (2001).



Alina Ciach, Professor



M.Sc., 1979 – Department of Physics, University of Warsaw Ph.D., 1986 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 1994 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Professor – 2002

Education and training:

1997 – Institute of Theoretical Physics, Trondheim University, Norway (Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Royal Norwegian Council for Scientific and Industrial Research) 1998 – Department of Physics, University of Essen, Germany (Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow)

Research areas:

- Statistical mechanics of complex systems
- Special fields: self-assembling systems, ionic fluids, effects of boundaries and confinement on structure and thermodynamical properties of simple and complex fluids

Selected papers

- 1. Stecki J., Ciach A. and Dudowicz J., "Intrinsic properties of the two-point functions of the solid-on-solid interface", *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **56**, 1482–1484 (1986).
- 2. Ciach A., Hoye J. and Stell G., "Microscopic model for microemulsion", J. Phys. A, 21, L777–L782 (1988).
- 3. Diehl H.W. and Ciach A., "Surface critical behavior in the presence of linear or cubic weak surface fields", *Phys. Rev. B*, 44, 6642–6662 (1991).
- Ciach A. and Poniewierski A., "Description of the geometrical and topological structure in amphiphilic systems", *Phys. Rev E*, 52, 596–601 (1995).
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- Ciach A., Tasinkevych M. and Maciołek A., "Surface phenomena for lamellar phases of microemulsionsEurophys", Lett., 45, 495–500 (1999).
- 7. Ciach A. and Stell G., "Effect of competition between Coulomb and dispersion forces on phase transitions in ionic systems", J. Chem. Phys., 114, 3617 (2001).
- Babin V., Ciach A. and Tasinkevych M., "Capillary condensation of periodic phases in self-assembling systems", J. Chem. Phys., 114, 9585 (2001).
- 9. Ciach A. and Stell G., 'Effect of space discretization on phase diagrams in ionic systems; field theoretic approach', *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **91**, 60601 (2003).

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D.Sc., 1962 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Professor, 1972 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1959–60 – Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Free University of Brussels, Belgium

1962–64 – Senior Research Fellow, University of Southern California, USA

1964 - Research Associate, Rice University, Houston, USA

1969 – Visiting Lecturer, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

1973 – Visiting Professor, University of Trondheim, Norway 1982 – Visiting Research Fellow, P.C.L., Oxford University, UK

1987 – Visiting Fellow, St. Catherine, s College, Oxford University, UK

1992 – Benjamin Meakin Professor, Bristol University, UK 1994 – Visiting Professor, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

1997 - Visiting Professor, University of Cornell, USA

Professional affiliations:

- · Polish Chemical Society
- Society for Advancement of Science and Arts (TPKN)

Research areas:

- Statistical mechanics
- Liquids and liquid solutions
- Phase transitions, ordered phases, interfaces

Selected papers

- 1. Stecki J., "Ionic solvation", Adv. Chem., Phys., 36, 413-450 (1964).
- 2. Stecki J. and Taylor H.S., "The areas of equivalence of Bogolyubov and Prigogine's theory of irreversible processes in classical gases", *Rev. Modern Phys.*, **37**, 762 (1965).
- 3. Poniewierski A. and Stecki J., "Statistical theory of the elastic constants of nematic liquid crystals", *Mol. Phys.*, **38**, 1931–1940 (1979).
- 4. Maciołek A. and Stecki J., "d = 2 Ising strip with two surface fields solved using the transfer-matrix method", *Phys. Rev. B*, **54**, 1128-1144 (1996).
- 5. Stecki J., "Variation of the free energy with the interface area: The second derivative". Molecular physics (K.E. Gubbins'issue, 2002); See also J. Chem. Phys., 114, No.18 (2001).



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M.Sc., 1977 – Department of Physics, University of Warsaw Ph.D., 1983 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 1994 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1983-85 - S.E.R.C., University of Southampton, Great Britain

Research areas:

- Statistical physics of liquid crystals
- Applications of density-functional methods
- · Phase transitions and local structure
- · Non-uniform systems and interfacial phenomena
- Finite size effects
 - Dynamics of liquid crystal films
 - Anchoring phenomena
 - Structured surfaces

Selected papers

- 1. Sluckin T.J. and Poniewierski A., "Novel surface phase transition in nematic liquid crystals: wetting and the Kosterlitz-Thouless transition", *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **55**, 2907–2910 (1985).
- 2. Poniewierski A. and Sluckin T.J., "The nematic-isotropic transition in a restricted geometry", *Liquid Crystals*, 2, 281-311 (1987).
- 3. Poniewierski A. and Hołyst R., "Density-functional theory for nematic and smectic-A ordering of hard spherocylinders", *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **61**, 2461–2464 (1988).
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- 5. Poniewierski A. and Hołyst R., "Continuous-model description of layer fluctuations in finite smectic systems", *Phys. Rev. B*, 47, 9840–9843 (1993).
- 6. Poniewierski A., "Ordering of hard needles at a hard wall", Phys. Rev. E, 47, 3396-3403 (1993).
- 7. Poniewierski A. and Samborski A., "Smectic-A surface order in a nematic-substrate system", *Phys. Rev. E*, **51**, 4574–4579 (1995).
- Poniewierski A., Hołyst R., Price A.C. and Sorensen L.B., "Dynamic critical behavior of the Landau-Peierls fluctuations: Scaling form of the dynamic density autocorrelation function for smectic-A films", *Phys. Rev. E*, 59, 3048–3058 (1999).
- 9. Poniewierski A., "Shape of the nematic-isotropic interface in conditions of partial wetting", *Liquid Crystals*, 27, 1369–1380 (2000).
- 10. Kondrat S. and Poniewierski A., "Uniform and nonuniform textures of a nematic liquid crystal in contact with an inhomogeneous substrate", *Phys. Rev. E*, 64, 031709-1-031709-9 (2001).

IV. Department of Chemical Dynamics

Head: Professor Ryszard Duś

The Department was established in 1994 as a result of the reorganization of the Laboratory for Theory of Chemical Kinetics. The research groups in the Department include those which are mainly engaged in theoretical studies and others which are predominantly working experimentally.

- 1) Investigations of far from equilibrium non-linear chemical systems exhibiting simple and complex periodic oscillations and chaotic behaviors.
- Modelling of spatio-temporal structures in non-linear: reaction-diffusion and reaction-diffusion-convection systems.
- 3) Analysis of nonequilibrium effects connected with thermally activated chemical reactions.

The group's scientific output includes over 140 works published in recognised journals e.g. Phys. Rev., J. Phys. Chem., J. Chem. Phys.

Experimental research topics include:

- 1) Application of a set of experimental systems constructed at the Institute and several methods of measurements elaborated here for investigation of surface phenomena occurring in the process of interaction of gases with metals. A significant number of works is connected with the investigation of surface phenomena arising in the process of transition metal hydrides and rare earths metal hydrides formation.
- Application of Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM) and Tunneling Microscopy (STM) for investigation of surface phenomena "in situ" in the course of chosen chemical reactions occurring during interaction of gases with solids.
- 3) Application of high-pressure mass spectrometer with impulsive ionisation for investigation of energetics, dynamics and reaction of ion clusters in gaseous systems. Investigation by means of this apparatus interactions of ions with molecules occurring in the Earth atmosphere.
- 4) Use of described phenomenological models for anticipation and description of complex oscillations observed experimentally in non-linear chemical and electrochemical systems.

The scientific output of the experimental group includes over 110 works published in recognised journals e.g. Langmuir, Surface Sci., Apel. Surface Sci., J. Phys. Chem., Int. J. Mass Spectr.

At present new topics are approached including, among others:

- 1. Investigation of the stability of symmetrical solutions in 2 dimensional models of non-linear reaction-diffusion systems.
- 2. Investigation of influence of fluctuation on the dynamics of model thermochemical system by the master equation method.
- 3. Attempts at the generalisation of van't Hoff's isobar.
- 4. Investigation of surface phenomena in the process of transition of thin metal film into a semiconductor in the reaction of creation of terbium and gadolinium trihydrates (problem of the reversible metallic mirrors transmitting light in the visible range).
- 5. Theoretical and numerical modelling of processes of SHS synthesis for the creation of ceramic materials stable at high temperatures (*e.g.* SiC). Investigation of SHS process parameters determining nanostructural properties of the ceramic materials.
- 6. Investigation of surface structure and chosen physical properties of thin layers of conducting polymers depending on the manner of their preparation and type of foundation (cooperation with Warsaw University of Technology).
- 7. Application of AFM and STM microscopy for investigation of adsorption of organic compounds on solids.
- 8. Application of the high-pressure mass spectrometry for the investigation of ion reactions of biological significance (and in particular energetics and dynamics of their solvation).
- 9. Application of nonlinear chemical systems for information processing.

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Ph.D., 1968 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw
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Professor, 1992 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1969 – Imperial College of London University, Great Britain 1978 – Wisconsin University, Milwaukee, USA 1996 – University of Liverpool, Great Britain

Research areas:

• Surface science: adsorption and reaction of gases on solids. Surface phenomena in the process of hydries and oxides formation. Surface reactions on hydrides (*e.g.* hydrogenation of hydrocarbons, reaction with oxygen

Selected papers

- 1. Nowicka E. and Duś R., "Hydrogen and Deuterium Adsorption on the Surfaces of Titanium Hydrides and Deuterides", *Langmuir*, **12**, 1520 (1996).
- Nowakowski R., Kobiela T., Wolfram Z. and Duś R., "Atomic Force Microscopy of Au-Hg alloy formation on thin Au films", *Appl.Surf. Sci.*, 115, 217 (1997).
- 3. Duś R., Nowicka E. and Wolfram., "Influence of Oxygen or Methane Preadsorption on Thin Pd Films on Atomic Deuterium Emission from Palladium Deuteride at Low Temperature", *Langmuir*, 14, 4545 (1998).
- 4. Duś R. and Nowicka E., "Surface Mediated Formation of Vanadium Hydride", *Langmuir*, 14, 5487 (1998).
- 5. Duś R. and Nowicka E., "Deuterium (Hydrogen) Segregation on Palladium Deuteride (Hydride) Surfaces", *Langmuir*, **16**, 789 (2000).
- 6. Duś R. and Nowicka E., "Surface Phenomena in the Process of Thin Yttrium Hydride Film Formation", Langmuir, 16, 10258 (2000).
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- 9. Duś R. and Nowicka E., "Atomic Deuterium (Hydrogen) Adsorption on Thin Silver Films", *Progres in Surface Sci.*, **74**, 39 (2003).
- Duś R., Nowicka E. and Nowakowski R., "Electron Scattering Cross Section on the Surface of Thin Ag and Au Films Induced by Atomic Deuterium Adsorption", *Langmuir*, 20, 9138 (2004).

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Education and training:

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1986–1988 – Department of Chemistry, University of Manchester, UK

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1991–1992 – Institute for Molecular Science, Okazaki, Japan from 1994 – short research visits to Japan (Tokyo Institute of Technology, International Christian University in Mitaka and Kyoto University) and to Italy (La Sapienza, Roma)

Research areas:

- Nonlinear chemical systems and their application in information processing
- · Computational chemical kinetics; large scale computer simulations of nonequilibrium chemical systems
- · Stochastic effects in chemical systems and their simulations

Selected papers

- 1. Górecki J. and Pusz W., "Passive states for finite classical systems", *Letters in Mathematical Physics*, 4, 433 (1980).
- Górecki J. and Popielawski J., "On the application of the long mean free path approximation to the theory of electron transport properties in liquid noble metals", J. Phys., F13, 1197 (1983).
- Górecki J. and Byers Brown W., "Variational Boundary Perturbation Theory for Enclosed Quantum Systems", J. Phys., B22, 2659 (1989).
- 4. Górecki J. and Eu B.C., "Direct observation of a nonequilibrum velocity distribution in a system with a thermally activated reaction", J. Chem. Phys., 97, 6695 (1992).
- 5. Górecki J. and Kitahara K., "Does the structure of an oscillating chemical system oscillate?", *Physica A*, **245**, 64 (1997).
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- Górecki J., Yoshikawa K. and Igarashi Y., "On chemical reactors that can count", J. Phys. Chem., A 107, 1664–1669 (2003).
- 12. Litniewski M. and Górecki J., "On the applicability of the step function nonradiative lifetime model for diffusion controlled reactions", J. Chem. Phys., **119**, 8464–8472 (2003).

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M.Sc., 1958 – Department of Chemistry, Warsaw University Ph.D., 1965 – Institute of Nuclear Research, Warsaw D.Sc., 1974 – Institute of Nuclear Research, Warsaw Professor, 1992 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Professional experience:

1971/72 - Center of Research of Atoms and Molecules, Laval University, Quebec, Canada
1987; 1998 - Institute of Mass Spectrometry, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
1988; 1992 - Dept. of Chemistry and Center for Research in Earth and Space Science, York University, Canada
1993; 1995 - Dept. of Chemistry, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, USA

Professional affiliations:

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- Polish Mass Spectrometry Society
- European Society for Mass Spectrometry

Research areas:

- · ion/molecule reactions, kinetics and mechanisms
- cluster ions
- · ionic processes in the atmosphere
- fullerenes
- ion chemistry of biomolecules

Selected papers

- 1. Włodek S., Łuczyński Z. and Wincel H., "Gas-phase complexes of NO₂ and NO₃ with SO₂" Int. J. Mass Spectrom. Ion Phys., **49**, 301–309 (1983).
- Wincel H., Fokkens R.H. and Nibbering N.M.M., "Site of protonation of benzonitrile: hydrogen interchange in the protonated species", *J Am. Soc. Mass Spectrom.*, 1, 225–232 (1990).
 Javahery G., Petrie S., Wincel H., Wang J. and Bohme D.K., "Experimental Study of Reactions of the
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M.Sc., 1967 – Deparment of Chemistryt, University of Warsaw Ph.D., 1972 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 1993 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1973–74 Institute of Biophysics An USSR, Pushchino, USSR 1989 – Intern. Scool for Advanced Studies, Trieste, Italy 1990–91 – University of Montana, Missoula, USA

Research areas:

- Nonlinear chemical dynamics
- · Theory of dissipative structureas and chaos
- Stochastic approach to dynamics of nonlinear chemical systems
- Microscopic simulations of dissipative structures in chemical sysyems.



Selected papers

- 1. Zaikin A.N. and Kawczyński A.L., "Spatial effects in a active chemical systems. I. Model of leading center", J. Non-Equil. Thermodyn., 2, 39 (1977).
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- 8. Rachwalska M. and Kawczyński A.L., "New types mixed-mode periodic oscillations in the Belousov-Zhabotinsky reaction in a CSTR", J. Phys. Chem., 103, 3455-3457 (1997).
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- 10. Kawczyński A.L. and Legawiec B., "A two-dimensional model of reaction-diffusion system as a typewriter", *Phys. Rev. E*, **64**, 056202(1-4) (2001).

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M.Sc., 1977–Department of Physics, University of Warsaw Ph.D., 1986 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 2000 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1989–91 – State University of New York at Buffalo, USA 1992 – State University of New York at Albany, USA 1998 – University P. and M. Curie, Paris, France

Research areas:

- kinetic theory of gases for systems with chemical reactions
- fluctuation effects in nonequilibrium physicochemical systems
- mesoscopic and microscopic Monte Carlo simulations of chemical systems
- dynamics of far-from-equilibrium, nonlinear, dissipative chemical systems

Selected papers

- 1. Nowakowski B. and Ruckenstein E., "A kinetic approach to the theory of nucleation in gases", J. Chem. Phys., 94, 1397-1402 (1991).
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- 7. Lemarchand A. and Nowakowski B., "Macroscopic effects of the perturbation of the particle velocity distribution in a trigger wave", *Phys. Rev. E*, **62**, 3156–3166 (2000).
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Education and training:

1982 - CNRS, Saclay, France 1994 - Universite de Marseille, Luminy, France

Research areas:

- Surface science: adsorption and reactions of gases on solids surfaces (metals, hydrides)
- · Surface phenomena in the process of hydrides formation
- Surface reactions on metal and metal hydrides surfaces



Selected papers

- 1. Duś R., Nowicka E. and Wolfram Z., "Surface-mediated formation of vanadium hydrides" *Langmuir*, 14, 5487–5494 (1998).
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- 4. Duś R. and Nowicka E., "Bivalent ability for charge transfer in process of hydrogen interaction with surfaces of transition metals" *Progress in Surface Science*, **67**, 139–154 (2001).
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- Duś R. and Nowicka E., "Atomic deuterium (hydrogen) adsorption on thin silver films" Progress in Surface Science, 74, 39-56 (2003).
- 8. Dus R., Nowicka E. and Nowakowski R., "Electron scattering cross-section on the surface of thin Ag and Au films induced by atomic deuterium adsorption" *Langmuir*, **20**, 9138–9143 (2004).

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M.Sc., 1959 – Department of Chemistry, Technical University of Warsaw Ph.D., 1967 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 1994 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1971 – FOM Institute of Atomic and Molecular Physics, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
1991–92 – Department of Chemistry, Chemical Engineering and Material
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Professional affilations:

Polish Chemical Society

Research areas:

- Description of transport processes in continueous media within the formalism of non-equilibrium thermodynamics with emphasis of the role of reference frames
- Non-equilibrium solvation numbers in liquid electrolyte solutions
- Kinetic theory of non-equilibrium processes in gases (Boltzmann equation) with introduction of simple models of cross sections
- Application of the kinetic theory of gases for description of non-equilibrium effects connected with proceeding of chemical reactions
- Problems of different temperatures of reacting components and of negative Arrhenius activation energy
- · Processes of energy relaxation in gases
- Performing of computer simulations giving numerical results for comparisons with analytical results derived within the kinetic theory

Selected papers

- 1. Baranowski B. and Cukrowski A.S., "Transfer processes in liquid isothermal solutions of binary electrolytes", Z. phys. Chem., 228, 292-309 (1965).
- 2. Cukrowski A.S., "On rotational relaxation of spherical gas molecules", *Chem. Phys. Lett.*, **12**, 514–517 (1972).
- Cukrowski A.S., "Transport coefficients and solvation numbers in liquid electrolyte solutions under isothermal conditions", J. Non-Equil. Thermodyn., 2, 69–84 (1977).
- 4. Cukrowski A.S. and Popielawski J., "The dependence of the rate constant of chemical reaction on density derived from the generalized Enskog equation for dense gases", *J. Chem. Phys.*, **78**, 6584–6587 (1983).
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- Cukrowski A.S. and Popielawski J., Lihong Qin, Dahler J.S., "A simplified theoretical analysis of nonequilibrium effects in bimolecular gas phase reactions", J. Chem. Phys., 97, 9036–9093 (1992).
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- 8. Cukrowski A.S., "The role of products and a reverse reaction in analysis of nonequilibrium effects in a bimolecular chemical reaction in a dilute gas" *Physica A*, **275**, 134–151 (2000).
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M.Sc., 1972 – University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland Ph.D., 1980 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw, Poland D.Sc., 1996 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw, Poland

Education and training:

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1989–1991 – University of Twente, Enschede, The Netherlands 1999 – Institut für Physikalische und Theoretische Chemie der Universität Bonn, Bonn, Germany

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Research areas:

- Adsorption and reaction of gases on solids
- Surface and interface studies of solid state materials

Selected papers

- 1. Lisowski W. and Duś R., "Adsorption of Alkanes and Their Coadsorption with Hydrogen on Evaporated Palladium Thin Films", *Surface Sci.*, **107**, 51 (1981).
- Lisowski W., Nowicka E., Wolfram Z. and Dus R., "Atomic Hydrogen Desorption from Thin Palladium Hydride Films", *Appl. Surface Sci.*, 31, 157 (1988).
- 3. Lisowski W., "Kinetics and Thermodynamics of Hydrogen Interaction with Thin Cobalt Films", *Appl. Surface Sci.*, **33**, 399 (1988/89).
- 4. Lisowski W., Hemmes H., Jäger D., Stöver D. and van Silfhout A., "Interaction Between Plasma Sprayed YBaCuO and Nimonic Substrates", *Appl. Surface Sci.*, **662**, 13 (1992).
- 5. Lisowski W., "Low-Temperature Interaction of Hydrogen with Methane Precovered Thin Palladium Films", *Surface Sci.*, **312**, 157 (1994).
- 6. Duś R., Lisowski W., Nowicka E. and Wolfram Z., "Oxygen interaction with palladium hydride and titanium hydride surfaces", *Surface Sci.*, **322**, 285 (1995).
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V. Department of Catalysis on Metals

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Department of Catalysis on Metals was established in 1964 as a result of the transformation of the Laboratory for Surface and Structural Research which was initially a part of the Department of Physical Chemistry of Electrode Processes. The Department has achieved a lot both in fundamental and applicative research (among others, for "Blachownia Śląska" and "Mazowieckie Zakłady Rafineryjne i Petrochemiczne" in Plock).

The Department's research techniques were systematically developed with a number of modern methods of physicochemistry of surfaces including: low energy electron diffraction (LEED), Auger Electron Spectroscopy (AES), measurement of work function from a metal. The development of this methodology, among others, in respect to a quantitative composition of surface, supported by intensified theoretical research resulted in the creation of a new department specialising in electron spectroscopies.

In recent years the Department's activity has been concentrated on the complex research of catalysts of the following types Pd/SiO_2 , Pd/C, $Pd-Au/SiO_2$ and Pd-Au/C. A simulation of a cluster structure by the molecular dynamic method enabled the interpretation of x-ray measurements conducted *in situ* in the course of chemical reactions for Pd/SiO_2 and Pd/C systems. The influence of the sizes of palladium crystallites on the mechanism and kinetics of the selective hydrogenation of acetylene in a mixture with ethylene on palladium catalysts was investigated and a generalised kinetic model of this reaction was described. Works concerning the reduction of Pd/SiO_2 systems showed that already in a relatively low temperature of reduction the palladium-silica interaction results in the formation of palladium silicides what has a considerable influence on catalytic properties in the reaction of conversion of saturated hydrocarbons.

In the context of environmental protection a great significance should be attached to works conducted on catalytic hydrodechlorination of freon R-12 (CCl_2F_2) on Pd-Au/C catalysts. Method of production of highly selective catalysts was described in order to remove chlorine from the freon molecule and the role of the incorporation of carbon to palladium in the course of the reaction was revealed.

Current topics studied in the Department include:

- 1. Structure versus reactivity of highly dispersed metals and the development of methods of characterisation of catalysts in highly selective catalysis in heterogeneous systems.
- 2. Structure of highly dispersed solids (nanocrystallites).
- 3. Kinetics of autooxidation (chain oxidation reaction) of sulphur dioxide in the aspect of the influence of this reaction on the environment. This topic is a continuation of the research conducted in the framework of the Department of Process Kinetics which was joined together with Department V in 2004.

The following new topics are going to be approached:

- 1. Investigation of metal-support interactions in catalytic systems with palladium,
- 2. Expanding investigations with the polycrystalline diffractometry method and X-ray spectrometry to include highly dispersed Pd-Ni and Pd-Ag systems,
- 3. Interpretation of diffraction phenomena (XRD) and absorption (EXAFS) on nanocrystals on the basis of atomistic simulations,
- 4. Catalytic hydrodechlorination of organic compounds,
- 5. Expanding research on interactions of sulphur-oxygen radicals to include biologically active substances like, *e.g.* vitamins and enzymes (SO₂ as a food preservative) and substances of biological origin like, *e.g.* dimethyl sulfide, DMS (as a precursor to SO₂ on sea areas).

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M.Sc., 1966 – Dept. of Chemistry, Warsaw Technical University Ph.D., 1972 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw D.Sc., 1990 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Professor, 1997 – Institute Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Education and training:

1973-74 - Dept. of Chemistry, University College, Dublin, Ireland (Postdoctoral Fellow)

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1981–82 – Dept. of Chemistry, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ilinois (Fulbright Fellow)

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1995 – Dept. of Chemical Engineering, University of Pittsburgh (Visiting Professor)

Professional affiliations:

- · Department of Catalysis on Metals
- Polish Catalysis Club (vice-chairman from 1993)
- · Polish Chemical Society
- Professor of chemistry at Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, School of Sciences, from 2001 (chemistry chair, from 2003)
- Member of Editorial Board of Applied Catalysis A: General (1997-2001)
- Member of the Scientific Committee of Chemistry of PAS (from 2003)

Research areas:

- Structure and catalytic reactivity of highly dispersed metals
- Catalysis on supported metal alloys
- · Kinetics and mechanism of hydrocarbon reactions
- Environmental catalysis (hydrodechlorination of CFCs and VOCs)

Selected papers

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- 2. Karpiński Z., Gandhi S.N. and Sachtler W.M.H., "Neopentane Conversion Catalyzed by Pd in L Zeolite: Effects of Protons, Ions and Zeolite Structure", J. Catal., 141, 337–346 (1993).
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- 4. Karpiński Z., Early K. and d'Itri J.L., "Catalytic Hydrodechlorination of 1,1-Dichlorotetrafluoroethane by Pd/Al₂O₃", J. Catal., 164, 378–386 (1996).
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- 8. Bonarowska M., Malinowski A., Juszczyk W. and Karpiński Z., "Hydrodechlorination of CCl₂F₂ (CFC-12) over Silica-Supported Palladium-Gold Catalysts", Appl. Catal. B: Environmental, **30**, 187–193 (2001).

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Education and cooperation training:

1972 - Commissariat B L'Enérgie Atomique, Fontenay-aux-Roses, France

1974 - University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, Walia, UK

1981-1983 - Nortwestern University, Evanston, USA

2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 - Université Henri Poincaré, Nancy, France

Professional affiliations:

- Polish Crystallographic Association
- · Polish Chemical Society

Research areas:

- X-Ray diffraction
- · X-ray crystallography in material science
- Structure of nanocrystalline systems (supported catalysts, carbon-metal systems, materials for batteries).

Selected papers

- 1. Pielaszek J., "X-Ray Powder Diffractometry in Studies of Solid Carbons" Fuel, 73, 1792-1796 (1994).
- 2. Mierzwa B. and Pielaszek J., "Smoothing of low intensity, noise data by Fourier filtering: application to supported metal catalyst studies", J. Aplied Cryst., 30, 544-546 (1997).
- 3. Laberty Ch., Pielaszek J., Alphonse P. and Rousset A., "Characterization of Nonstoichiometric Nickel Manganite Spinels by Temperature Programmed Reduction", Solid State Ionics, 110, 293-302 (1998).
- 4. Jak M.J.G., Kelder E.M., Kaszkur Z.A. and Pielaszek J., "Li-Ion Conductivity of BPO4Li2O; The Relation Between Crystal Structure and Ionic Conductivity", Solid State Ionics, 119, 159-164 (1999).
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Professional affiliations:

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Research areas:

- Complex catalysts for ammonia synthesis
- Solubility of gases in molten salts
- Catalytic cracking on molecular sieves
- Wide experience in selective acetylene hydrogenation process (involved with the process since 1974: cooperation with industry and fundamental studies, patents and their industrial application in Polish industry)

Selected papers

- Borodziński A., Duś R., Frąk R., Janko A. and Palczewska W., "A Study of the Role of the Pd-Hydride Phase in the Activity and Selectivity of Pd Catalysts in Acetylene Hydrogenation", *Proc. VI Int. Congress* on *Catalysis*, London 1976, Paper A7, Eds. G.C. Bond, P.B. Wells and F.C. Tompkins, The Chemical Society, London, p. 150–167 (1977).
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- 4.Borodziński A. and Gołębiowski A., "Surface Heterogeneity of Supported Palladium Catalyst for the Hydrogenation of Acetylene-Ethylene Mixtures", *Langmuir*, 13, 883–887 (1997).
- Borodziński A. and Bonarowska M., "The relation between crystallite size and dispersion on supported metal catalysts", *Langmuir*, 13, 5613-5620 (1997).
- 6.Borodziński A., "Hydrogenation of acetylene-ethylene mixtures on commercial palladium catalyst", *Catal. Lett.*, 63, 35-42 (1999).
- 7. Borodziński A. and Cybulski A., "The kinetic model of hydrogenation of acetylene-ethylene mixtures over palladium surface covered by carbonaceous deposits", *Appl. Catal. A*, **198**, 51–66 (2000).
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- 9. Borodziński A. and Bonarowska M., "The relation between crystallite size and dispersion on supported metal catalysts", *Langmuir*, **13**, 5613–5620 (1997).

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Research areas:

- Aggregation kinetics
- Aggregate structure
- Aggregation of metal particles on catalyst support
- · Solution properties of macromolecules and bioparticles
- · Hydrodynamics of aggregated systems



Selected papers

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- 4. Gmachowski L., "Mechanism of shear aggregation", Water Research, 29, 1815-1820 (1995).
- 5. Gmachowski L., "Hydrodynamics of aggregated media", J. Colloid Interface Sci., 178, 80-86 (1996).
- 6. Gmachowski L., "Estimation of the dynamic size of fractal aggregates", Colloids Surfaces A: Physicochem. Eng. Aspects, 170, 209-216 (2000).
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- Gmachowski L., "Intrinsic viscosity of bead models for macromolecules and bioparticles", European Biophysics J., 30, 453–456 (2001).
- 9. Gmachowski L., "Binary collision growth of supported metal catalyst particles", Colloids Surfaces A: Physicochem. Eng. Aspects, 197, 183-191 (2002).

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1971 – Institute of Chemical Process Fundamentals, Prague (three month), Czech Republic
1973 – Institute of Catalysis, Novosibirsk, Russia
1974–1975 McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

Professional affiliation:

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Research area:

- · Characterization of supported metal catalysts by chemical methods
- · Effect of support and promoters on activity and selectivity of metal catalysts
- · Hydrogenation of carbon oxides and steam reforming of methane
- Hydrogenation of nitrogen

Selected papers

- 1. Zieliński J., "Morphology of nickel/alumina catalysts", J. Catal., 76, 157 (1982).
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Laboratory of X-ray Powder Diffractometry and Spectrometry

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Laboratory of X-Ray Powder Diffraction and Spectrometry has been created in 1994 in the Institute of Physical Chemistry (Warsaw, Poland) within the Department of Catalysis on Metals. The laboratory engages itself in a range of projects involving widely understood phase analysis and Rietveld refinement of structural data based on high resolution powder diffraction patterns as well as dynamical and kinetic studies *in-situ* in variable, controlled atmosphere and programmed temperature (from R.T. upto ~600°C).

The laboratory specialises also in the analysis of the state of organization of quasi-amorphous materials. Our long time experience and expertise was focused on the studies of such materials using wide angle X-Ray Powder Diffraction as well as Radial Distribution Function method (RDF). We have also developed many numerical techniques to study highly dispersed solids (transition metals) deposited on supports (SiO₂, Al₂O₃). These techniques include reliable background estimation in the XRD pattern, data smoothing procedures and quantitative analysis oriented towards *in-situ* studies. Recently we have developed a series of analytic tools allowing insight into the structure and dynamics of nanocrystalline metallic particles in a chemical reaction environment. These techniques are developed and verified on the basis of molecular simulations.

Besides the above, the laboratory offers also orientation and cutting of metal single crystals along desired crystallographic plane.



The laboratory has the following equipment:

- X-Ray Diffractometer D5000 (Siemens) equipped with Goebel optics (Cu Kα),
- X-Ray Diffractometer Geigerflex (Rigaku-Denki)
- Position Sensitive Detector CPS 120 (Inel), covering 120° arc, with channel separation ${\sim}0.03^{\circ}$
- Position Sensitive Detector type Brown 50 M, with position resolution < 80 μm, set up also in scanning mode
- range of our own design chemical reactors- X-ray cameras developed for *in-situ* X-ray diffraction studies in a controlled atmosphere in flow of selected gases, mixtures of vapors of particular partial pressures at selected, programmed (fully computer controlled) temperatures

The laboratory is cooperating with and offering services and expertise to different scientific and industrial partners, among them:

- · Laboratories of the Institute of Physical Chemistry, Polish Academy of Sciences
- · Institute of Organic Chemistry, Polish Academy of Sciences
- Warsaw University of Technology
- Jagiellonian University
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VI. Department of Electrochemistry, Corrosion and Applied Surface Science

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The Department was established in 2003 as a result of a unification of the Department of Electrochemistry and Corrosion, which had been a part of the structure of the Institute since 1962, and the Department of Applied Surface Science. The Department conducts research of surface processes on metals and alloys that result from the influence of liquid (electrochemical processes) and gaseous environments, conducts theoretical research in the scope of electron spectroscopy, collects and describes phase equilibria data.

The most important achievements of the research teams in recent years are as follows:

- Wide research has been done on kinetics and mechanism of corrosion and passivation of many metal/environment systems. Phenomena of pitting, stress corrosion cracking and hydrogen embrittlement have been investigated in detail.
- A collective work on various aspects of corrosion and hydrogen in metals was published: "Corrosion of Metals and Hydrogen-Related Phenomena", (Ed.: J. Flis), PWN-Elsevier, Warszawa-Amsterdam, 1991.
- Effective methods of protection against corrosion in many technical equipments and industrial installations have been developed. Corrosion inhibitor "SKOLPAN" (awarded the title of Vice-Master of Technology NOT (*Polish Federation of Engineering Associations*)) was worked out and it was applied in Mazowieckie Zakłady Rafineryjne i Petrochemiczne in Płock, Rafineria Trzebinia and Zakłady Koksochemiczne "Hajduki".
- Description and experimental verification of formalism of electron transport in solids was carried on the basis of the approximate solution of the Boltzmann kinetic equation and the extensive Monte Carlo simulations.
- It was shown that the assumption of the uniform distribution of ionisation in surface area, generally made in Auger electron spectroscopy, may be untrue in some analytical situations. The ways of determination of this distribution were suggested.
- A new parameter, the so-called Depth Distribution Function, was introduced for the description of photoelectrons and Auger electrons. This function is now in a general use. ISO and ASTM suggested standard definitions of this quantity. The application of this function to determine concentration profile in the surface area was proposed (A. Jabłoński).
- Determination of a parameter called the electron attenuation length was described. Definitions and expressions of this parameter for various uses of XPS spectroscopy were given (A. Jabłoński, C.J. Powell, "The Electron Attenuation Length Revisited", Surface Science Reports, 47,33 (2002).
- New methods were proposed for critical evaluation and prediction of vapour-liquid and liquid-liquid equilibria used in technological processes and environmental protection. The data calculated with the use of these methods equal the best experimental data and are treated by the IUPAC as the reference data.

Current research topics include the following issues:

- Modification of iron surface layers, unalloyed and alloyed steels through plasma nitriding and/or chemical processing (oxidation and phosphatizing) in order to increase the corrosion resistance of these materials. Investigation of anode behaviour of modified layers and their interaction with hydrogen. Investigation of the synergism of an interaction of nitrogen and molybdenum in austenitic steels in order to increase their pitting resistance.
- Determination of the permeation and desorption rate of hydrogen by the electrochemical technique and description of a procedure enabling qualitative and quantitative characteristics of the entry, transport (diffusion), absorption and trapping of hydrogen in metals. Research on the effect of a long-term cathodic polarisation of iron and its alloys to explain the discovered phenomenon of the surface activation for hydrogen entry, as a result of this polarisation. Changes in the structure of steels during a long-term exploitation and their influence on hydrogen embrittlement. Transport and hydrogen behaviour in aluminium and its alloys and intermetallic compounds with titanium, nickel and iron.

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- Theoretical works aiming at possibly exact description of the transport of photoelectrons and Auger electrons in solids, and experimental verification of reliability of the worked out theoretical models.
- Theoretical and experimental works connected with determination of parameters necessary to describe the transport of electrons (a mean free path of electrons, a mean transport path, elastic collision cross-sections).
- Determination of algorithms for analytical applications of electron spectroscopies.
- Distribution and control of effectiveness of the developed electron spectroscopy software in other laboratories.
- Determination of vapour-liquid and liquid-liquid equilibria on the basis of the thermodynamic data bank.

New research topics currently approached:

- 1. Preparation and electrochemical properties of nanolayers of alkoxysilanes and conductive polymers designated for the corrosion protection.
- 2. Explanation which of the factors (stress or dynamic strain) is responsible for the initiation and process of corrosion cracking (hydrogen embrittlement) of iron and its alloys stretched in the presence of hydrogen.
- 3. Influence of multiplex layers of intermetallic compounds on the basis of aluminium on the transport of hydrogen and on the increase of hydrogen corrosion resistance of Ti, Ni, and Fe.
- 4. Determination of correction factors connected with the quantitative analysis by electron spectroscopies (*e.g.* the backscattering factor in Auger electron spectroscopy and the active cross-section for the elastic scattering of electrons).
- 5 Application of simulation methods of the electron transport theory in solids for the analysis of the effects of elastic and non-elastic electron scattering on the surface of solids. Determination of a value of the inelastic mean free path, material coefficients in Chen's and Werber's rules for the estimation of a correction parameter for non-elastic losses of an electron in chosen elements and alloys. Determination of thickness of layers and the mechanism of the layer growth and investigation of interlayer surface for the overlayer substrate system.
- 6. Investigation with the use of Monte-Carlo method of dependence of the elastic peak intensity on the thickness of metal overlayers on various substrates.
- 7. New models for equation of state with association for phase equilibria determinations.

The Department includes the Center for Physical Chemistry of Materials which carries out work on the following issues:

- 1. Electrochemical and corrosion properties of amorphous materials and their components.
- 2. Identification and role of local phenomena in the whole electrode process. Significance of local phenomena in electrocatalysis and local corrosion.
- 3. Dynamics of electrocatalytic and corrosion processes. Influence of passivation and inhibition of electrode processes on the creation of unstability and surface structures.
- 4. Surface diffusion and surface reactions in electrocatalytic processes on metallic electrodes.

The Department is a coordinator and principal contractor of the Centre of Excellence "Surface Phenomena and Reactions" (SURPHARE) in the framework of the European Union Programme "Competitive and Sustainable Growth Research Programme" (2002–2005).

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Research areas:

- Entry, transport, absorption, and trapping of hydrogen in metals
- · Electrochemistry and corrosion of metals
- · Surface modifications of metals

Selected papers

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Research areas:

- · Electrochemistry and corrosion of metals
- Localised corrosion
- Passivation and inhibition
- Hydrogen in metals
- Surface modification
- Protective coatings

Selected papers

- 1. Flis J. and Sikora E., "Impedance and transient study of iron and iron-phosphorus alloy in carbonate/bicarbonate solution with phosphate ions", *Electrochim Acta*, **39**, 1145-1149 (1994).
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Research areas:

- Studies of solids by surface sensitive electron spectroscopies: x-ray photoelectron spectroscopy and Auger electron spectroscopy
- Theory of electron transport in solids, theoretical analysis of interaction: electron solid surface
- · Qualitative and quantitative analysis of solid surfaces

Selected papers

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- 6. Jabłoński A., "Analytical Applications of Elastic Electron Backscattering from Surfaces", *Progress Surface Sci.*, 74, 357 (2003).
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- International Society of Electrochemistry (ISE)
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Research areas:

- Corrosion and degradation of metals
- Passivity and stability of the passive state of metals and alloys
- Surface analysis (electron and optical spectroscopies)
- · Reactivity of novel materials

Selected papers

- 1. Wołowik A., Janik-Czachor M. and Szummer A., "Breakdown of Passivity of Al.-refractory Metal Amorphus Alloys", *Proc. Symp. on Passivity and its Breakdown* (Eds. P.M. Natishan, H.S. Isaacs, M. Janik-Czachor, V.A. Macagno, P. Marcus, M. Seo) Pennington 1998, pp. 533–543.
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Research areas:

- · Hydrogen effects on elastic and plastic properties of metals
- Surface modification for corrosion and hydrogen uptake protection
- Stress corrosion cracking of metals and alloys
- Hydrogen assisted corrosion of industrial installations

Selected papers

- 1. Łunarska E., "Effect of hydrogen on the plastic properties of iron single crystalss, whiskers and polycrystals", "Hydrogen Degradation Effects in Iron Base Alloys" J.P. Hirth, R.A. Oriani, M. Śmiałowski, eds., Noyes Publ., New Jersej, p. 321 (1985).
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Research areas:

- Thermodynamics
- · Collection, correlation, critical evaluation, and prediction of phase equilibrium cata

Selected papers

- 1. "Thermodynamics Data For Technology", (A. Bylicki, Ed.), PWN, Warszwa, Vols 1-0 (1976-1988);
- "IUPAC Solubility Data Series", Pergamon Press, Oxford, New York, Tokyo, Vols 15, 30, 37, 38, 48, 49 and 56 (1984–1994).
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- 4. "International Data Series Selected Data on Mixtures" (Marsh K., Ed.); Thermolynamics Research Center, Texas A&M University, Texas, USA, Vols 22–28, (1993–2000).
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Research areas:

Phase Equilibria in associated binary and multicomponent mixtures.

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- Correlation and prediction of mutual solubilities in systems of water/sea water + organic solvents.
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- 3. Góral M., "Correlation, verification and prediction of vapour-liquid equilibria using equation of state with association term I. Alcohols + aliphatic hydrocarbons", *Fluid Phase Equilibria*, **178**, 149–167 (2001).
- 4. Góral M., "Correlation, verification and prediction of vapour-liquid equilibria using equation of state with association term II. Alcohols + non-aliphatic hydrocarbons", *Fluid Phase Equilibria*, **193**, 97-107 (2002).
- 5. Maczynski A., Góral M., Goclowska B.W., Skrzecz A. ans Shaw D., "Mutual solubilities of water and hydrocarbons". *Monatshefte fuer Chemie/Chemical Monthly.* **134**, 633 (2003).
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- applications of pattern recognition methods for electron spectroscopy methods (XPS and AES) for qualitative and quantitative analyses
- investigating the electron elastic backscattering coefficient; application of elastic peak electron spectroscopy (EPES) for determining the electron transport parameter, *i.e.* the inelastic mean free path (IMFP) using the Monte Carlo model of electron transport in a solid
- determining of electron inelastic losses using the EPES method
- application of the EPES method for qualitative and quantitative analysis

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Laboratory of Electrochemistry and Surface Analysis in Corrosion Studies

Head: Prof. Janusz Flis



The Laboratory offers scientific service in the form of research studies or measurements in the field of electrochemistry and surface analysis, associated with corrosion processes on metals and on their modified surfaces. The research involves the areas as follows:

Corrosion behaviour and passivation of metals and modified surfaces

- · determination of corrosion rate by electrochemical methods
- examination of the growth of passive films by ellipsometry and AES/XPS
- · study of localised corrosion and inhibition
- · modification of the metal surface by PA CVD and by chemical methods

Effect of hydrogen on mechanical properties of metals and its interaction with structural defects

- determination of the content of hydrogen in materials from exploited equipment
- predicting the lifetime of an equipment with a given content of hydrogen
- study of hydrogen embrittlement
- study of interaction of hydrogen with defects in metals
- diffusion, absorption and trapping of hydrogen in metals

Analysis of surface films by AES and XPS

- determination of the elemental concentration-depth profiles in surface layers
- · analysis of protective layers obtained by chemical and electrochemical treatments

Equipment

Electrochemical measurements

- facilities for dc and ac (EIS) measurements
 - Solartron FRA 1255 and EI 1286
 - Gamry Instruments CMS100 System, including CMS105 DC Corrosion Measurement System, CMS130 Cyclic Voltammetry, and CMS300 Electrochemical Impedance System



- · cells for the electrochemical determination of hydrogen permeation and absorption
- a system for fast transient measurements
- · rotating disc electrodes and a rotating disc with split-ring electrode

Surface analysis

- electron spectrometer AES and XPS
- · automatic ellipsometer

Hydrogen in metals

- · determination of hydrogen content by vacuum extraction
- determination of the mobile an reversibly trapped hydrogen by the electrochemical technique

Surface modification

installation for PA CVD

Mechanical testing

- Instron Testing Machine
- a machine for high range of strain rates

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Laboratory of Electron Spectroscopies (AES-XPS) for Studies of Solid Surfaces

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Numerous branches of technology and science (catalysis, corrosion science, microelectronics, etc) frequently require information about chemical state and the composition of the surface layer of thickness in the nanometer range. Such thicknesses are comparable with first several atomic layers. This information can be obtained with the use of surface sensitive electron spectroscopies: x-ray photoelectron spectroscopy and Auger electron spectroscopy.



Equipment

In Laboratory of Electron Spectroscopy, two spectrometers are installed:

- Photoelectron spectrometer ESCALAB-210 produced by VG Scientific equipped with
 preparation chamber. The preparation chamber makes possible preparation of a samples to
 analysis: annealing in the temperature range from -80°C to 800°C, and interaction with different gases. The sample transmission system makes possible fast introduction of samples
 to the main chamber of the spectrometer. This spectrometer is controlled by the computer
 with the installed software packet ECLIPSE.
- Auger electron spectrometer based on the electron energy analyser DCMA produced by Physical Electronics. The analysed electron energies range from 50 eV to 2000 eV, and the energy resolution of this analyser is 0.6% of the anlysed energy. The vacuum system and the system for data acquision and processing is of Polish design and production (OBREP, Technical University of Warsaw).

Data processing

The following information can be derived from the recorded spectra using the currently available software:

- Identification of elements present in the surface layer submitted to analysis
- Chemical state of elements. In selected cases, it is possible to identify compounds.
- · Determination of surface composition

From the shape of the recorded spectra, it is also possible to identify the structure of the surface region using the software packet QUASES (overlayer thickness, presence of islands, in-depth concentration profile, *etc.*).

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Topics:

1. Electrochemical and corrosion properties of metallic glasses and their components, 2. Dynamics of electrocatalytic processes, 3. Local phenomena at electrodes, 4. High resolution characterization of nonhomogeneous functional and construction materials.



• High resolution morphological and microchemical analysis (SEM and SAM)

Characterization of surfaces of new materials including nanomaterials is an important task for both chemists and material scientists interested in understanding and improving their performance as functional and/or contruction materials. The most suitable techniques for such analysis are Scanning Auger Microanalysis (SAM) combined with Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM). Chemical analysis of a selected nano-area or a thin surface film can be performed with the aid of a Scanning Auger Microprobe.

Apparatus

The Physical Chemistry of Materials Center is equipped with a Microlab 350 (Thermo VG Scientific, UK) which is a high resolution Auger system also capable of performing multi-technique analysis and with the option of being fitted with a range of preparation facilities. Its key features are:

- Spatial resolution: 7 nm SEM-Scanning Electron Microscopy, 12 nm SAM-Scanning Auger Microscopy
- High sensitivity
- User selectable energy resolution 0.6% 0.06%
- Multi-technique capability (AES-Auger Electron Spectroscopy, XPS-X-ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy)
- · Avantage, a Windows based data system

Microlab 350 is a high-performance scanning Auger instrument using field emission technology to provide high spatial resolution. The spherical sector analyzer (SSA), used on the Microlab 350, allows analysts to select the best combination of energy resolution and sensitivity for each analysis, in common with most other spectroscopic techniques. The Microlab 350 additionally is equipped with:

- * an X-ray gun (twin anode source: AlK_α, MgK_α) for XPS measurements (spatial distribution: average value from all sample surface area); this extends the use of this instrument to dielectric materials,
- * an ion gun for sputter etching; the ion gun is usually used for depth profiling, sample cleaning and charge compensation.

This instrument is particularly useful in investigating small surface features, thin layers, impurities in materials as well as in determining their chemical (elemental) composition and chemical state of their components.

Sample preparation for surface analysis

Samples cannot exceed 10×10 mm surface area and 10 mm thickness. AES technique is limited to conducting materials: metals and semiconductors of sufficient conductivity. The stability of samples in ultra-high vacuum conditions is required (pressure lower than 10^{-10} mb).

Restrains

Samples containing elements such as Hg, Te, Cs, K, Na, As, J, Zn, Se, P, S, etc. or their compounds cannot be analysed because of the possibility of damage to the analyser. The same concerns samples which decompose with emission of compounds such as H₂O, HCl and H₂S under conditions of ultra-high vacuum and/or X-ray radiation.

Local chemical analysis

The following surface information can be obtained:

1. Chemical composition maps of the surface with nano-scale resolution [M.Janik-Czachor, J.Bukowska, A.Szummer, A.Molnar, P.Mack, S.M.Filipek, P.Kędzierzawski, A.Kudelski, M.Pisarek, M.Dolata, M.Varga: Modification of Surface Activity of Cu-based Amorphous Alloys by Chemical Processes of Metal Degradation, *Applied Catalysis A*, **235** (2002) 157 and **253**, 539 (2003), A. Szummer, M. Janik-Czachor, P. Mack, M. Pisarek: High resolution electron probe characterization of modified Cu-based amorphous alloys, *Microscopy & Microanalysis*, Vol. **9**, 359 (2003).

2. Local information on surface composition and on the chemical state of surface components in nano areas [Catalytic Activity of Cu-Based Amorphous Alloy Ribbons Modified by Cathodic Hydrogen Charging by M. Pisarek, M. Janik-Czachor, A. Molnar and K. Hughes, *Appl. Catal. A*, **283**,177 (2005).

3. Composition profiles of thin surface films with a depth resolution below a nm [M. Janik-Czachor, A. Jaskiewicz, M. Dolata, Z. Werner, Passivity and its breakdown in Al-based amorphous alloys, *Materials Chemistry and Physics*, in press 2005)].

Scanning Electrochemical Microscopy

The Scanning Electrochemical Microscope designed by dr M. Dolata and dr P. Kędzierzawski and built in the Institute of Physical Chemistry PAS is a scanning probe instrument, which makes is possible to measure the distribution of quantities such as potential, current or pH over a surface of metal or semiconductor electrode. The instrument consists of an X-Y stage propelled by stepper motors and used to move a microsensor near the surface of the electrode, a motor controller, a potentiostat, a low noise and high input impedance signal conditioning system and a data acquisition system. Both movement of the microsensor and measurements are computer-controlled with a program developed at the Institute. The Microscope has a step size of 0.3 μ m and lateral resolution of the order of μ ms depending on sensor size, distance from the electrode and electrode roughness.

Application areas

Local corrosion studies, galvanic and paint coatings studies, corrosion and electrocatalysis studies of composite materials, electrode mechanisms, microstructure deposition using Scanning Counter Electrode technique.

Sample limitations

The instrument will accommodate plain samples of conducting material of a diameter of 8 mm and a height of 10 mm.

Electrochemical System for Corrosion Studies

The system consists of an EP-20 potentiostat and an EG-20 function generator from ELPAN, data acquisition system from Ambex, Poland and a selection of electrochemical cells adapted for various types of measurements. The measurements are controlled with programs developed at the Institute.

Application areas

Electrochemical corrosion studies: determination of corrosion rate, polarization curves, local corrosion studies, electrode mechanism studies.

Consultants:

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Thermodynamics Data Center

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The TDC - Thermodynamics Data Center has been created by the following partners:

- · Institute of Physical Chemistry, Polish Academy of Sciences
- Institute of Coal Chemistry, Polish Academy of Sciences
- · Faculty of Chemistry, Warsaw University
- · Faculty of Chemistry, Warsaw University of Technology

The TDC closely cooperates with:

- The Wojciech Swiętosławski Foundation for the Promotion and Development of Science in Poland
- TRC-NIST Thermodynamics Research Center, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Boulder, Co, USA

An essential part of the activity of the TDC are methods of critical evaluation, correlation and prediction of thermodynamics data, mainly vapor-liquid and liquid-liquid equilibrium data. Critical evaluation of data are based mainly on regressions, thermodynamic consistency tests, and mutual correlations of thermodynamics functions.

Correlations of date are based mainly on the following equations: Redlich-Kister, Van Ness-Van Laar, Wilson, NRTL, UNIQAC, Peng-Robinson, and Redlich-Kwong.

Predictions of data are based mainly on the UNIFAC method and Equations of State with an association therm.

All these methods, programs, and collected and evaluated data are applied for publication series, papers, CD ROMs, and special reports.

Publication Series

1. Vapor - Liquid Equilibria Series.

Each volume of this Series contains selected VLE data for a particular group of binary systems. All the data have been correlated by a chosen equation, mainly Wilson, NRTL or Goral EoS. Since 1998 eleven volumes of this series have been published by the TDC. They are also available on CD ROM.

2. IUPAC Solubility Data Series

Each volume of this Series contains experimental liquid-liquid equilibrium and solubility data with critical evaluations and recommendations for particular systems. Since 1979 seventy three volumes of this series have been published by the Pergamon Press, Oxford Press and receantly by the Journal of Physical and Chemical Reference Data. Since 1984 nine volumes of this Series have been prepared in the cooperation with the Institute of Physical Chemistry PAS.

3. International Data Series - Selected Data on Mixtures.

The International Data Series contains selected and calculated VLE, LLE, SLE, H^E , and V^E data for binary mixtures at moderate pressure. Since 1973 four issues per year were published by TRC - Texas A&M University until 2000 and next by the TRC - National Institute of Standards and Technology, USA. Since 1993 thirty four issues were prepared in the cooperation with the TDC.

Data bank

This activity of the TDC is based on the created thermodynamics data bank.

For over 25 years primary experimental thermodynamic data are collected on the basis of the open world literature and evaluated at the following levels: primary experimental data, selected data, recommended data, and parameters of the selected equations.

Selected and recommended data are prepared after critical evaluation. Parameters of equations are calculated for selected and recommended data for a given range of temperature. For process simulators binary interaction parameters for mixtures are offered in a format suitable for direct use.

The Data Bank contains experimental data of thermophysical properties both for pure organic substances and for binary and ternary mixtures.

- Pure substance properties: triple point temperature, triple point pressure, cryoscopic constant, critical temperature, critical pressure, critical volume, critical density, critical compressibility factor, phase transition enthalpy, standard state enthalpy for formation, density, equilibrium pressure, heat capacity at saturation, heat capacity at constant pressure, heat capacity at constant volume, enthalpy of vaporizatiom at saturation, enthalpy of transition from Ph1 to Ph2, enthalpy, entropy, Gibbs energy, surface tension, viscosity, kinematic viscosity, velocity of sound, thermal conductivity, thermal diffusivity, second virial coefficient, third virial coefficient, refractive index, coefficient of expansion, isothermal compressibility, adiabatic compressibility, thermal pressure coefficient.
- 2. Mixture properties: vapor-liquid equilibria, liquid-liquid equilibria, solid-liquid equilibria, solubilities of gases in liquids, heat of mixing, excess volume, and excess heat capacity.

The traditional Floppy Book software is applied as a managing program for the all data bases in the TDC. The user friendly Floppy Book program, working under Windows on IBM PC compatible computers, allows to select the following options:

- selection of system and property by a visual or a pattern match search
- · selection of data sets
- display of the experimental results in tabular form
- · graphical presentation
- · calculation when equation parameters are available
- · regression and prediction of the data
- · saving of experimental and calculated results to external files.

The TDC offers packets containing requested data together with the floppy book software.

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VII. Department of Electrode Processes

Head: Associate Professor Marcin Opallo

The Department's research topics concentrate on the processes at the electrode/electrolyte interface. Both experimental and theoretical work is conducted. Lately attempts have been made to obtain or modify new electrode materials and electrolytes.

One of the Department's most important achievements in the last years has been proposing clathrate hydrates of tetraalkylammonium hydroxides as a new group of solid electrolytes with high conductivity in low temperatures (100-200 K). Cryoelectrochemical research in these electrolytes allowed to understand better the reaction of hydrogen evolution and properties of thin film nickel hydroxide electrode. Another important issue was the proposal of polysilicate matrix obtained through the sol-gel method and modified with organic liquids as new electrolytes and electrodes. Electrodes modified with hydrophobic redox liquids seem to be especially interesting as they show high current density and sensitivity to electro-inactive ions. Investigations were also conducted on the gold electrode as a model system of stable electrode/electrolyte interface and its electrocatalytic properties in systems applied in fuel cells. The influence of the surface structure of the electrode on the process of electrocatalytic methanol oxidation was determined. Transport of hydrogen in metal served as an example to describe guest transport in the elastic matrix of a host, with particular attention paid to nonlinearity of this process. Methodology of impendance spectroscopy and, more widely, transfer function spectroscopy was also developed. Theoretical research was done including an application of the field theory to work out an electrolyte model describing behaviour of ions at charged walls.

At present most employees at the Department are engaged in a research project connected with electrodes based on polysilicate matrixes and other meso- and nanoporous materials. These systems modified with redox, hydrophobic or ionic liquids may be applied in such electrochemical systems as sensors of ions or gaseous phase substances. We are also interested in transport phenomena and the mechanism of electrode reactions in these matrixes.

We also develop a model description of coulombic systems based on statistical field approach to explain the behaviour of inhomogeneous electrolyte systems at a hard wall as well as of bulk electrolyte. We use numerical simulations of cellular automata type to model surface development in corrosion and growth processes. It may help in designing surface treatment procedures to obtain surface with the requested roughness and other structural properties. We are going to continue our work on the description of guest transport in the host network elastic matrix.

We are beginning biomimetic research. It will concern binding toxic proteins such as, *e.g.* cholera toxin, through lipid bilayers and distribution of polymers found in nature, *e.g.* lignins. The results of this research will not only help to understand processes occurring in nature but they may also be important in biotechnology. Moreover, we have taken up investigation of electrode reactions catalysed by enzymes. They are to result in the creation of a model of a miniature biocompatible fuel biocell producing electric energy from glucose and oxygen – substances present in live organisms.

Some of the research projects mentioned above are realised in cooperation with research teams from other departments of the Institute of Physical Chemistry of PAS, institutes of PAS and universities in Poland and scientific centres in Bulgaria, France, Greece, Canada, United States and Great Britain.

Marcin Opallo, Associate Professor



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1987–1989 – Pharmaceutical Institute, Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan

1990-1992 - University of California, Davis, USA

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- Polish Chemical Society (since 1979)
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Research areas:

- Electrode reactions
- Sol-gel chemistry
- Solid electrolytes
- Redox and ionic liquids

Selected papers

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- 6. Opałło M. and Kukulka J., "The electrochemical redox reaction in silica sol-gel glass, with embedded organic electrolyte", *Electrochem. Commun.*, **2**, 394–399 (2000).
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Total number of publications: 68

Piotr Żółtowski, Associate Professor

M.Sc., 1959 – Department of Chemistry, Technical University of Warsaw

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Professional affiliations:

- · Polish Chemical Society
- International Society of Electrochemistry
- Electrochemical Society

Research areas:

- · Mechanisms and kinetics of reactions of at solid electrodes
- Metal-hydrogen systems
- Transport of guest in solid host
- Impedance spectroscopy

Selected papers

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- 12. Żółtowski P., "Sensitivity of Transfer Functions of Transport of Hydrogen in Elastic Metals to the Uncertainty of Their Parameters", *Acta Mater.*, **51**, 5489-5497 (2003).

Total number of publications: 43



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2002 – Laboratoire Analyse et Environnement, Université d'Evry, Evry Val d'Esonne, France (Research position of the CNRS)

Research areas:

- · Field theoretical approach to coulombic systems.
- Cellular automata based approach to modeling of corrosion processes

Selected papers

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VIII. Department of Electrochemical Oxidation of Gaseous Fuels

Head: Professor Leszek Suski

At present, Department of Electrochemical Oxidation of Gaseous Fuels is the only unit of the Institute located outside of Warsaw. The Department has been established in 1990, bearing the name of Department of Molten Salts. Before 1990 the unit had a status of laboratory. The Department staff conducted physicochemical research of metal – its molten halide systems (*e.g.* Cd-CdX₂, K-KX, (X=Cl, Br, J) such as excess mole volume, surface tension, electric conductivity and viscosity. For this purpose a number of measurement techniques were devised such as, radiometric method of determining changes of molar volume in a two-component compound (developed in cooperation with Institute of Nuclear Technology of University of Science and Technology in Cracow). These techniques have acquired wide recognition and thanks to that the team was invited to participate in the Program of Standards for Molten Salts led by Molten Salt Data Center in Resenclear Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N.Y., USA and by the National Bureau of Standards in Washington.

Chemical and electrochemical basis of high-temperature carbonate fuel cells have become the main research topic in last years. In the last decade, the research in this scope was financed not only by the State Committee for Scientific Research but also by US – Poland Cooperation Fund II (cooperation with Gas Technology Institute, Des Plaines, Illinois) and Japanese programme NEDO (cooperation with Tohoku University, Sendai). A number of publications in the scope of chemistry and electrochemistry of molten carbonates dealt with the results of research on modelling of processes occurring in porous electrodes of fuel cell, kinetics of electrode hydrogen oxidation processes, reduction of oxygen electrode materials and acid-base equilibrium. The team of Department VIII is the only research group in Poland which has sophisticated basis and experience for laboratory realisation of fuel cells.

At present, the research conducted in the Department is directed toward processes of electrochemical oxidation of fuels at an interface electrode/high temperature solid electrolyte, for example ZrO_2 stabilised by yttrium oxides. These works have a character of electrochemical fundamental research but they were initiated by the vital problems of the high temperature fuel cells with solid oxide electrode. In connection with an idea of one-chamber fuel cell, the investigations in the scope of thermodynamics and kinetics of methane oxidation in electrode with catalytic properties/solid oxide electrolyte systems were carried out. The special emphasis was put on system of two different electrodes in atmosphere of gaseous mixtures fuel + oxygen (e.g. $CH_4 + O_2$). Particularly promising results have been obtained with the use of electrode materials based on perovskites and ceramic materials of mixed ion-electron conductivity based on CeO_2 . An oxygen electrode in a solid polymer electrolyte will be investigated through electrochemical impedance spectroscopic method with the use of ultramicroelectrodes.

Separate research path is connected with works on simulative solving of problems in kinetics and mechanism of complex electrode processes. Alternative ways of adaptation aimed at further improvement of solutions will be investigated in the scope of a development of algorithms of computational electrochemistry.

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- 1970 Institute of Physical Chemistry of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Head of Department of Physical chemistry of Molten Salts (in Cracow)
- 1981 Université de Marseille, visiting professor.
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Research areas:

Chemistry and electrochemistry of molten salts, chemistry of metal – its molten salt systems, chemistry of molten carbonates as relevant to Molten Carbonate Fuel cells, electrode processes of fuels (hydrocarbons) oxidation at solid oxide ionic conductors.

Selected papers

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Research areas:

Computational electrochemistry; development of computational approaches to solving problems of electrochemical kinetics, including digital simulation of transient electrochemical experiments and computer-aided electrochemical data analysis. Theory of transient methods. Formal kinetics of complex electrochemical reactions and phenomena, including electrocatalytic reactions.

Selected papers

- Bieniasz L.K., Britz D., "Recent Developments in Digital Simulation of Electroanalytical Experiments" (Review), Pol. J. Chem., 78, 1195–1219 (2004).
- Bieniasz L.K. "Towards Computational Electrochemistry A Kineticist's Perspective", in Modern Aspects of Electrochemistry, B.E. Conway, R. E. White (Eds.), vol. 35, Kluwer Academic/Plenum Publishers, New York, 2002, pp. 135–195.
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Research areas:

- · Electrochemistry and chemistry of molten salts
- Fuel cells

Selected papers

- 1. Suski L. and Tomczyk P., "Application of hard-sphere theory to the compressibilities of some fused-salt binary mixtures", J. Chem. Thermodynamics, 13, 803 (1981).
- 2. Tomczyk P. and Mordarski G., "Kinetics of the oxygen electrode reaction in molten Li + Na carbonate eutectic. Part 1. Linear voltammetric and chronoamperometric data for the reduction process at Au electrodes", J. Electroanal. Chem., 304, 85 (1991).
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Total number of publications: 32

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IX. Department of Photochemistry and Spectroscopy

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Two research topics dominate in the Department – investigations of the structure and reactivity of molecules in electronically excited states and application and development of new spectroscopic techniques with high spectral, spatial or temporal resolution.

The most important achievements of the Department in recent years (some result from research started in 1970s) include, among others:

- the discovery and comprehensive investigation of a new class of molecular excited states (TICT states) in systems of the electron donor-acceptor type (D-A) formally connected by a single bond;
- the demonstration that Marcus theory may be applied for uniform quantitative characterisation of intramolecular radiative and nonradiative electron transfer;
- the investigation of the electronic structure and geometry of large π -electron D-A systems;
- the investigation of phenomena (including intramolecular and intermolecular proton transfer) induced by hydrogen bonds in bifunctional aromatic molecules;
- the elucidation of processes of phototautomerism and photochromism for certain Schiff bases;
- the elucidation of factors governing electrochemiluminescense (ECL) and the quest for systems characterised by particularly high ECL efficiency;
- the study of the chemistry and spectroscopy of unstable carbon-nitrogen chain molecules of astrophysical significance;
- the development of polarized spectroscopic methodology allowing:
 - * the analysis of linear dichroism spectra for low-symmetry molecules;
 - * the determination of chemical reaction rate based on the analysis of luminescence anisotropy and linear dichroism spectra;
 - * the interpretation of electronic absorption and magnetic circular dichroism spectra of aromatic molecules (particularly for isomeric and expanded porphyrins);
- the development of IR, UV-VIS spectroscopy and mass spectrometry methods which allow:
 - * the investigation of pico- and femtosecond kinetics of photoinduced processes of charge transfer and phototautomerisation;
 - * the investigation of systems isolated in the gas phase in supersonic molecular beams or in low-temperature matrices of noble gases;
 - * the luminescence of single molecules;
- the elaboration of a computational method that allows one to predict the structure of microenvironments of organic and inorganic chromophores in noble gas matrices and their electronic and infrared spectra.

In near future, we are going to take up a range of new tasks connected both with fundamental and applied research. Among others, the following investigations are planned in connection with:

- synthesis, spectroscopy and phototherapeutic properties of porphyrins;
- phototautomerisation in single molecules;
- laboratory astrochemistry;
- photoinduced charge transfer and phototautomerisation in model systems isolated in supersonic molecular beams;
- application of femtosecond time-resolved methods to the investigation of electron and proton transfer mechanisms;
- practical use of charge separation processes (with placement of chromophores in solid phases);
- synthesis and properties of sensors;
- photochemistry on surfaces.

We are going to further improve our research capacity through the development of femtosecond emission spectroscopy, coupling of laser flash photolysis and NMR detection, application of spectroscopy with the use of polarised light for research on the kinetics of phototautomerisation or relaxation processes in cryogenic matrices, elaboration of new methodology for matrix preparation (multi-laminar deposition) and development of single molecule spectroscopy.

The Department has rich international cooperations with the participation of scientists from Germany, Denmark, Austria, Holland, France, United Kingdom, Switzerland, Spain, USA, Brazil, Japan, Taiwan, Bulgaria, Ukraine, Belarus and Russia.

The Department is a coordinator of the Centre of Excellence CPM (Centre for Photoactive Materials) in the framework of the 5th Framework Programme of the European Union, and it is the main performer of the Centre tasks.

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Professional experience:
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Research areas:

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- Theoretical Chemistry

Selected papers

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M.Sc., 1954 – Faculty of Chemistry, Warsaw University Ph.D., 1961 – Faculty of Chemistry, Warsaw University D.Sc., 1969 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw Professor, 1988 – Institute of Physical Chemistry, Warsaw

Research abroad:

1964 – Free University, Amsterdam, The Netherland.s 1971–1972 Cambridge University, United Kingdom 1987–1988 Institute for Molecular Science, Okazaki, Japan 1988 – Université de Bordeaux I, Talence, France

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Research areas:

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- Photochemistry
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Selected papers

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- German Academy of Sciences "Leopoldina" (since 1977)
- Society for the Advancement of Science and Arts (TPKN) (since 1980; 1980-92 chairman of the Council; 1992-94 president)
- Warsaw Learned Society (since 1982)
- European Photochemistry Association

Research areas:

- Electrochemistry: kinetics, electric field effects; stereochemistry (1949-70)
- Chemistry of free radicals: kinetics and equilibria, spectra (1960-77)
- Instrumental methods: time-resolved spectroscopy (1959–95)
- Electronically excited molecular states: structure, reactivity, spectra (since 1958)
- Interstellar molecules: spectra, reactions (1990-2000)

Selected papers

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Research areas:

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- nonlinear and quantum optics
- femtosecond spectroscopy

Selected papers

- 1. Ratajska-Gadomska B., Gadomski W., Wiewiór P. and Radzewicz C., "Femtosecond snap-shot of crystaline order in molecular liquids", J. Chem. Phys., 108, 8489-8498 (1998).
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- 7. Wasylczyk P., Wasilewski W. and Radzewicz C., "A single-shot autocorrelator based on a Babinet compensator", *Rev. Scien. Instr.*, **75**, 2482 (2004).
- Wojtkowski M., Bajraszewski T., Gorczyńska I., Targowski P., Wasilewski W., Kowalczyk A. and Radzewicz C., "Ophthalmic imaging by Spectral Optical Coherence Tomography", *American Journal of Ophthalmology*, 138, 412–419 (2004).

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Research areas:

- Intramolecular charge transfer processes in donor-aryl-acceptor compounds. Twisted Intramolecular Charge Transfer states, so-called TICT states
- · Photochemical processes initiated by electron transfer step
- Photophysics and photochemistry in supramolecules

Selected papers

- 1. Rotkiewicz K., Grellmann K.-H. and Grabowski Z.R., "Reinterpretation of the Anomalous Fluorescence of p-N,N-dimethylaminobenzonitrile", *Chem. Phys. Lett.*, **19**, 315–318 (1973).
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- European Photochemistry Association (elected member of EPA Standing Committee 1984-1986, 1986-1988, 1995-1997, 1997-1999, 2001-2003, 2003-2005)

Editorial affiliations:

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Research areas:

- Spectroscopy, photophysics and photochemistry of organic molecules. Structure and reactions of molecules in excited electronic states (especially: photoinduced electron transfer and phototautomerization processes)
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Selected papers

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Research area:

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Main research areas:

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- single molecule detection

Selected papers

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Education and training:

1978-79 – post-doctoral position in Orleans University, France, prof. P. Sinay, works on the chiral synthesis of natural products from D-glucose

1982, 1984–85 – research associate in Universite Louis Pasteur de Strasbourg, France, prof. Jean-Marie Lehn, works on luminescent lanthanide complexes

1983, 85, 1990, 91 – six months at Sheffield University, UK, prof. J. Fraser Stoddart, works on crown ethers, rotaxanes and catenanes

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Selected papers

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Selected papers

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Laboratory of Molecular Beams

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The research topics of this laboratory involve spectroscopy of chemical systems seeded in supersonic molecular beams. Supersonic expansion cools the vibrations and rotations of molecules without condensing out of the gas phase. In effect, the spectra of the molecules are greatly simplified. This allows us to probe the structure of isolated, supercooled large molecules in the gas phase, whose spectra are very complicated in other environments. Moreover, supersonic jets are an effective source to produce weakly bounded vdW and molecular complexes in the gas phase.

In our lab we utilize lasers to probe the structure, dynamics, vibrations of molecules and their molecular clusters. Our particular interests concern photoreactive molecules and chemical reactions of and in molecular clusters. These clusters are important models for understanding intermolecular interactions as well as structural, energetic and chemical features of solvents and solvation at a molecular level.

Example: R2PI (upper) and LIF excitation (lower) spectra of 3,3' dimethylene-2 (2' pyridyl)indole in supersonic jet.

A pulsed, tunable radiation from dye lasers and optical parametric oscillators are use for this purpose. Aromatic molecules and their molecular clusters are investigated by a variety of laser spectroscopy methods: laser induced fluorescence (LIF), dispersed emission, resonance two-photon ionization (R2PI), double-resonance population labeling ("hole burning"). The optical spectroscopy is usually completed with time-of-flight mass spectrometry to obtain mass-selective information.



Equipment:

- 2 pulsed Nd:YAG lasers (10 Hz, 3–5 ns pulse width, 1064, 532, 355, 266 nm)
 2 pulsed XeCl excimer lasers (10 Hz, 15–60 ns pulse width, 308 nm)
 2 pulsed dye lasers (resolution 0.1–0.8 cm⁻¹, 340–850 nm)
 1 optical parametric oscillator (resolution 0.08 cm⁻¹, 450–1650 nm)
 2 systems (KDP, BBO) for generating tunable UV radiation by SHG

- 2 pulsed molecular beam setups including 0.5 m linear time-of-flight mass spectrometers and/or monochromators with PM and spectrograph with CCD camera

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We offer a variety of spectroscopic instruments and techniques that can be used in basic research as well as for analytical, kinetic, structural, environmental and industrial applications. Electronic and IR absorption, fluorescence and phosphorescence spectra can be measured in many different media (solutions, glasses, polymer films, crystals, powders, gas phase, cryogenic frozen gas matrices) at temperatures ranging from 4 K to about 500 K. Transient absorption/emission studies make it possible to detect the presence of reactive intermediates and to follow the kinetics of their formation and decay with time resolution spanning many orders of magnitude: from hours to a few picoseconds.





Photolysis of the samples is possible, applying intense and ultrashort laser pulses or high-power lamps. The photoproducts can be subsequently analysed by stationary and time-resolved optical techniques, as well as by electron spin resonance. Another way of generating transient species involves electrochemistry, coupled with electrochemiluminescence detection.

Polarized techniques used in both absorption and emission modes can provide information about transition moment directions, sample alignment and kinetic processes that are accompanied by spatial changes of the transition moments. We offer linear dichroism, magnetic circular dichroism and luminescence anisotropy measurements.

Our equipment includes three UV/VIS/IR spectrophotometers (Shimadzu and Cary), three lifetime and steady-state spectroflurimetric systems (Jasny and Edinburgh Instruments), numerous CW and pulsed lasers (argon, ring, dye, diode, excimer, nitrogen), high-intensity visible and UV lamps, picosecond transient absorption/emission setup (based on a Nd:glass 1 ps Light Conversion laser and a Topaz parametric oscillator), a gated/intensified CCD camera (S&I), an FTIR spectrometer (Nicolet SX 170), several closed-cycle and liquid helium cryo-stats, three matrix deposition lines, a home-built electrochemiluminescence spectrometer, an ESR spectrometer (JEOL). Many optical instruments have been custom-designed and built by Dr. Jan Jasny: those include, i.a., a unique nanosecond transient absorption spectrometer (– 100 ns delay with a resolution of 1 ns, operation in the whole visible range), monochromators, several spectrographs with CCD or photodiode array detection, dye lasers, single-mode diode laser illuminator. The details can be found on our web page (http://malina.ichf.edu.pl/Dep9.html).

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The most interesting results in last years include:

- development of the density functional theory (DFT) foundations, in particular through the
 derivation of three different expressions for the exact exchange-correlation potential in the
 terms of density matrices, and through modification of the Hartree-Fock scheme by means
 of the perturbation expansion of density matrices, leading to the exact energy and electron
 density of the ground state of molecules;
- elaboration of a model describing dynamics of electrons in a magnetic field parallel to one of the crystallographic axes;
- calculations of structural and magnetic properties of metal surfaces and thin metallic layers using the tight-binding model.

At present, we are going to investigate an extension of the electron DFT to canonical ensembles with noninteger number of electrons, and to construct new approximate forms the of kinetic, exchange and correlation energy as functionals of the density, together with the corresponding potentials. We plan to perform modification of the Della Sala-Görling approximate exchange potential (which is used in DFT calculations of electronic structures) aiming at the improvement of its accuracy.

One of the new topics will be quantum-mechanical calculation of spin transport in magnetic nano-layers, with the help of methods worked out earlier for magnetic anisotropy calculations. Worth mentioning are also NMR studies (planned in cooperation with partners from outside of the Institute) of cyclodextrin complexes, and quantum chemical calculations of: (a) supramolecular systems, (b) chemical shifts and coupling constants in NMR spectra (sometimes accompanied by measurements), and (c) quantum calculations of hydrocarbons with unusual spatial structure with the aim to propose plausible synthetic targets.

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Selected papers

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- Supramolecular chemistry
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- Cyclodextrins
- Fullerenes
- Nanotubes

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- Polish Physical Society
- · European Academy of Sciences and Arts

Research areas:

Applications of quantum mechanics, especially to many-electron systems in solids and molecules:

- · Free-electron gas method applied to polyenes and cyanine dyes
- · Extension of the self-consistent equations by the correlation potentials
- · Non-Bloch approach to the tight-binding method for the band structure of solids
- · Extension of the Thomas-Fermi-Dirac method applied to the crystal structure of ionic compounds
- Time-scale problem from the point of view of the quantum-mechanical perturbation theory
- Dynamics of metal electrons in magnetic field

Selected papers

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- 2. Olszewski S., "Simplified self-consistent field equations with correlations", *Phys. Rev.*, **121**, 42–45 (1961).
- 3. Olszewski S., "New approach to the linear-combination-of-atomic-orbitals method for cubic crystals", *Phys. Rev. B*, **3**, 4361–4377 (1971).
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