



Chemistry of potential anti-tumor agents as revealed by collaborative research performed in Kragujevac and Erlangen



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Founder of the cooperation:

Erlangen



Prof. Dr. h.c. mult. Rudi van Eldik (retired in Erlangen 2010)

Kragujevac



Prof. Dr. Živadin Bugarčić (1954 - 2017)

Started: ca. 2002

Joined Topic: Investigation of (Bio)Inorganic reaction Mechanisms (a bit later (2004) extended by quantum chemical investigations)

Topic of the cooperation:

Typical anti-tumor active platinum based drugs:

The collaboration investigated/investigates:

- mechanistic behavior and chemistry of platinum based potential antitumor complexes, *e.g.* as model complexes and reactions (*e.g.* guanosine-5´-monophosphate (5´-GMP)) by experiment and quantum chemistry.
- extended this reactions to corresponding palladium complexes
- in the last years extendion of this studies to potential antitumor complexes of gold, rhodium, ruthenium etc..

Funding for the cooperation:

Kragujevac
- Ministry of Education,
Science and Technological
Development of the
Republic of Serbia

Current status of the cooperation:

Erlangen Kragujevac - Prof. Dr. Živadin Bugarčić (+ 2017) Prof. Dr. Rudi van Eldik retired in 2010 and continues his research in Krakow => "Scientific daughters" continue research and Torun, Poland, but still interested topic (experimental investigation of and beeing somehow included in (Bio)Inorganic reaction Mechanisms) cooperation successfully and broadened it to further metal ions R. Puchta still in Erlangen doing theoretical mechanistic studies in cooperation with team(s) from Kragujevac.

Results of the cooperation:

- 20 joined publications between Prof. van Eldik and Prof. Bugarčić
- Regular Ph.D. student and Post-Doc exchange between ca. 2004 ca. 2014
- Continuation of scientific cooperation between "scientific daughters" of Prof. Bugarčić and R. Puchta/Prof. van Eldik
- Several satellite cooperation between:
 - B. Petrović team & research team of Prof. K. Meyer, Erlangen (Ph.D. from Kragujevac was 6 month guest in Erlangen)
 - B. Alzoubi (Irbid, Jordan) & T. Soldatović State University of Novi Pazar
 - R. Puchta & organic and physical chemistry teams in Kragujevac
 - R. Puchta & inorganic chemistry T. Soldatović, Novi Pazar
 - R. Puchta & physical organic chemistry team in Universidade de Vigo
- Erasmus+ Kragujevac Erlangen 2019/20 (very successful & unproblematic)
- Cooperation between Staatliche Fachoberschule Nürnberg and University of Kragujevac (1 -2 weeks internship for pupils)

Results of the cooperation:

• Review publications summarizing results from this cooperation:

Pt, Pd: Coord. Chem. Rev. 2015, 292, 91-106.

Au: Coord. Chem. Rev. 2017, 338, 186-206.

Pt: Inorg. Chim. Acta., **2019**, 495, Article 118953.

Outlook:

We plan to continue:

- the successful scientific cooperation between "scientific daughters" of Prof. Bugarčić and R. Puchta (may be Prof. van Eldik (now working in Torun, Poland))
- satellite cooperations
- Erasmus+ Kragujevac Erlangen ... if possible ...
- Cooperation between Staatliche Fachoberschule Nürnberg and University of Kragujevac (1 -2 weeks internship for pupils)

... new ideas and cooperations are welcome within our possibilities ...

Reason for the success?

Partners involved got (scientific and) personal friends in all that years!

Good relation between administrative and technical stuff, too. (especially Erasmus+)

All partners are happy Serbians or Bavarians and are curious and interested in the partners' country, culture and history!

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Exception: Serbia!

Thank you ...

.. all partners that suported this cooperations...

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