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# Low dimensional systems

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"Retrospective (2015-2019) and Perspective (2019-...)"







# Focus of the team: mission and areas of interest

Mission: Internationally recognized and high quality research in the field of 2-D materials and surfaces.

#### Areas of interest:

- > 2D hybrids multi-way control of their band structure and reactivity
- Rational catalyst design
- Catalysts designed with atomic precision for heterogeneous reactions







# New and Key methods and instruments

- In situ Raman spectroscopy (electrochemistry, magnetic field, low temp., pressure)
- XPS/spin resolved ARPES/LEED/STM
- Clean room for optical lithography
- Operando X-ray absorption spectroscopy, differential electrochemical mass spectroscopy (DEMS)
- Size-selected cluster deposition equipment (high vacuum), custom catalyst testing equipment (mass-spectrometry, gas-chromatography), synchrotron-based characterization (X-ray absorption, scattering, diffraction).







#### **1. Tailored functionalization of graphene** Ø

### Understanding the effect

Choose model







#### **Reactivity of T and AB stacked bilayers**

T 2-LG

AB 2-LG



Ek Weis et al. Chem. Eur. J., 21, 1081-1087 (2015).

#### Fluorine exchange

Gas phase





Kovaříček et al. Chem. Eur. J, 22, 5404-5408 (2016). Kovaříček et al. Carbon, 118, 200-207 (2017).



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#### Getting feedback- game changer





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Application

**Brownian motion in 2-D** 

**Directional particle motion** 







Kovaříček et al. ACS Nano, 12, 7141-7147 (2018).



### Grants

### 24 grants were run by the team members during 2015-2019

- **ERC-CZ:** From Graphene Hybrid Nanostructures to Green Electronics, 2013-2018, MEYS, PI M. Kalbac.
- **ERC-Stg:** Trans-Spin NanoArchitectures: from birth to functionalities in magnetic field, 2017-2020, Co-PI M. Kalbac.
- NanoenviCZ: Nanomaterials and Nanotechnologies for Environment Protection and Sustainable Future. 2016-2019, MYES, coordinator M. Kalbac.
- CARAT: Carbon allotropes with rationalized nanointerfaces and nano links for environmental and biomedical applications. 2018-2022, MYES,, coordinator M. Kalbac.
- ERA chair: ERA Chair at UFCH JH. 2018-2023,H2020-EU, PI J. Hrušák, Co-PI S Vajda.













# **Societal relevance/imapact**

### Applied projects

- SEPIOT Gas sensors based on hybrid nanostructures for IoT applications. 2019-2022, TACR.
- CARAT Carbon allotropes with rationalized nanointerfaces and nanolinks for environmental and biomedical applications. 2018-2022, MYES.
- NanoEnviCZ Nanomaterials and Nanotechnologies for Environment Protection and Sustainable Future. 2016-2019, MYES.
- Energy-X Transformative chemistry for a sustainable energy future. 2019-2020, EC.
- TAGGET Research, development and characterization of a tunable graphene light emitting hybrid MOEMS device. 2021-2024, EC/TACR.





## **Collaborations**

#### Important national partnerships

- CARAT, 2018-2022: (2 departments, 2 industrial, 4 academic), coordinator: M. Kalbac
- NanoEnviCZ, 2016-2019: (2 departments, 5 academic), coordinator: M. Kalbac
- Nanocarbon group, 2013+: instruments, projects, students (1 department, 1 academic)

#### International projects

- MSC -ITN, 2013-2015, (7 academic, 1 industrial), PI: M. Kalbac
- MSC -ITN, 2018-2021, (4 academic, 2 industrial), coordinator: P. Krtil
- **COST Action**, 2018-2020, PI: M. Kalbac
- MEYS, 2019-2021, (bilateral University of Vienna), PI: V. Vales
- MEYS Inter-excellence, 2020-2022, (bilateral MIT, Cambridge), PI: M. Kalbac
- FET proactive (ONEM), 2021-2024, (1 department, 2 academic), PI: T. Juffmann, Wien.
- ERA-NET, 2021-2024, (3 academic), PI: M. Kalbac



Nanocarbon group