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WG2 Expert Meeting on Biomolecules

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Invited Lectures

Fragmentation of halopyrimidines and halouraciles by photoionization and ion impact

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In recent years we have focused our interest in processes induced in isolated molecules by soft Xray and ion beams. By photon ionization the site and state of the energy deposition are well defined and the following chain of processes are characterized by coincidence techniques. In the fragmentation induced by low energy ions, the effects of the increasing complexity of the target and the role played by the 'environment' on the properties of the single molecule are addressed.

In the presentation two examples will be discussed. The first one is the photofragmentation of 2Cl-pyrimidine following inner shell excitation or direct valence ionization studied via electron-ion coincidence techniques. The experiments have been performed at the Gasphase photoemission beamline at Elettra, Trieste (Italy). The results show that the resonant Auger process following inner shell excitation selectively populates the final states of the singly charged ion and the site and state selected fragmentation patterns appear to depend only on the final state of the singly charged ion. The comparison with state selected photofragmentation after valence ionization confirms the role of the cationic state in the type of fragments produced.

In the second example the fragmentation of 5Br-uracil isolated molecules, homogeneous clusters and hydrated clusters by C^{4+} ions has been studied. The experiments have been performed at the ARIBE beamline of the GANIL facility, Caen (France). The observation of series of hydrated fragments provides the experimental evidence that a few water molecules attached to the 5Br-uracil can induce a tautomerisation process. This process can lead to mutagenesis and therefore to a different pairing in the DNA bases and can explain the radiosensitizing effect of compounds bases on 5Br-uracil.



Fig.1. Schematic of the main fragments whose hydrated series are observed and assigned in the mass spectrum of hydrated clusters of 5Br-uracil. The blue arrows indicate the suggested site of hydration and the red dashed lines surround the charged (detected) fragment; M indicates the parent ion. The proposed tautomerisation processes mediated through the presence of a sufficient number of water moleculesis also shown.

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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Monday 27 th April 2015	
17:00-18:30	Registration
18:20-18:30	Welcome to participants
	Session 1, Chair: Manuel Alcami
18:30-19:00	Local control theory using TDDFT-based nonadiabatic dynamics Ivano Tavernelli, EPFL, Switzerland
19:00-19:30	Shedding light on molecular excited states with novel EUV sources Marcello Coreno, CNR-ISM, Italy
19:30-20:00	Obvious and nonobvious dissociation pathways of N-substituted glycine ions Jaroslaw Kočišek, CIMAP - GANIL, France
20:00-21:30	Dinner
Tuesday 28 th April 2015	
07:00-09:00	Breakfast
	Session 2, Chair: Aleksandar Milosavljević
09:00-09:30	Ion and photon interactions with superhydrogenated PAHs Thomas Schlathölter, University of Groningen, The Netherlands
09:30-10:00	Gas-phase spectroscopy of ferric heme nitrosyl cations
10:00-10:30	DFT and TD-DFT of nanosolvated biomolecules Viktor Cerovski, University of Belgrade, Serbia
10:30-11:00	Coffee break 1
	Session 3, Chair: Alicja Domaracka
11:00-11:30	On the role of fluoro-substituted nucleosides for radiosensitization in tumor radiation therapy Janina Kopyra, Siedle University, Poland
11:30-12:00	Low energy electron interactions with cyclic azines
12:00-12:30	Electron induced dissociation of biomolecules Andreas Mauracher, University of Innshruck, Austria
12:30-13:00	Electron impact fragmentation of thymine and cytosine: partial ionization cross sections for positive fragments Peter van der Burgt, National University of Ireland, Ireland
13:00-15:00	Lunch
	Session 4, Chair: Steen Broendsted Nielsen
15:00-15:30	Studies of biomolecules at the DESIREE facility Nathalie de Ruette, Stockholm University, Sweden
15:30-16:00	VUV photoionization study of gas phase biomolecules using aerosol thermodesorption Héloïse Dossmann, Universite Pierre et Marie Curie, France
16:00-16:30	Energy resolved photoelectron-ion-ion coincidence studies of DNA building blocks and amino acids Eero Itälä, University of Turku, Finland

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16:30-17:00	Coffee break 2
17:00-18:00	Round table discussions 1
18:00-20:00	Poster session
20:00-21:30	Dinner
Wednesday 29 th April 2015	
07:00-09:00	Breakfast
	Session 5, Chair: Thomas Schlathölter
09:00-09:30	Fragmentation of halopyrimidines and halouraciles by photoionization and ion impact Lorenzo Avaldi, CNR, Italy
09:30-10:00	UV and electron induced dynamics in biomolecules and clusters Samuel Eden. The Open University, UK
10:00-10:30	Plasma interaction with biomolecules
10:30-11:00	Coffee break 3
	Session 6, Chair: Paola Bolognesi
11:00-11:30	Ultrafast non-reactive deactivation induced by excited state hole transfer from retinal chromophore to counterion Nadja Došlić, Rudjer Boškovic Institute, Croatia
11:30-12:00	Pure electron dynamics in biomolecules initiated by XUV attosecond pulses Andrea Trabattoni, Politecnico di Milano, Italy
12:00-12:30	Ultrafast electron dynamics in amino acids initiated by attosecond pulses Alicia Palacios, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain
12:30-13:00	Photo-induced ultrafast nuclear dynamics in (deeply) core-excited molecules Oksana Travnikova, CNRS, France
13:00-15:00	Lunch
15:00-19:30	Excursion
20:00-22:00	Dinner
Thursday 30 th April 2015	
07:00-09:00	Breakfast (Departure to Belgrade airport)
09:00-09:15	Closing remarks
09:15-11:00	Round table discussions 2
11:00-11:30	Coffee break 4 (Departure to Belgrade airport)
11:30-13:00	Round table discussions 3
13:00	Departure to Belgrade airport

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The WG2 Expert Meeting on Biomolecules will take place in Fruška gora (Serbia) from April 27th to April 30th, 2015. This meeting brings together experts from different disciplines (physics, chemistry), experiments and theory to discuss aspects on photon, ion and electron interaction with biomolecules, as well as properties of biomolecules, stability of highly excited and highly charged biological molecules in the gas phase and their reactivity.

We hope that this meeting will initiate new projects and collaborations, inspire new scientific achievements and help promotion of young researchers. We would like to thank the members of the Scientific Committee and Local Organizing Committee for their collaboration and the excellent work.

Paola Bolognesi and AleksandarMilosavljević The Meeting Chairs

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