UCT Prague

University of Chemistry and Technology Prague

- Central Europe, Czech Republic, Prague
- Largest university specializing in chemistry in the Czech Republic
- Founded in 1952
- More than 3,600 students accepted every year



One of the leading chemistry research universities in Central Europe



Student festival Hanami in spring

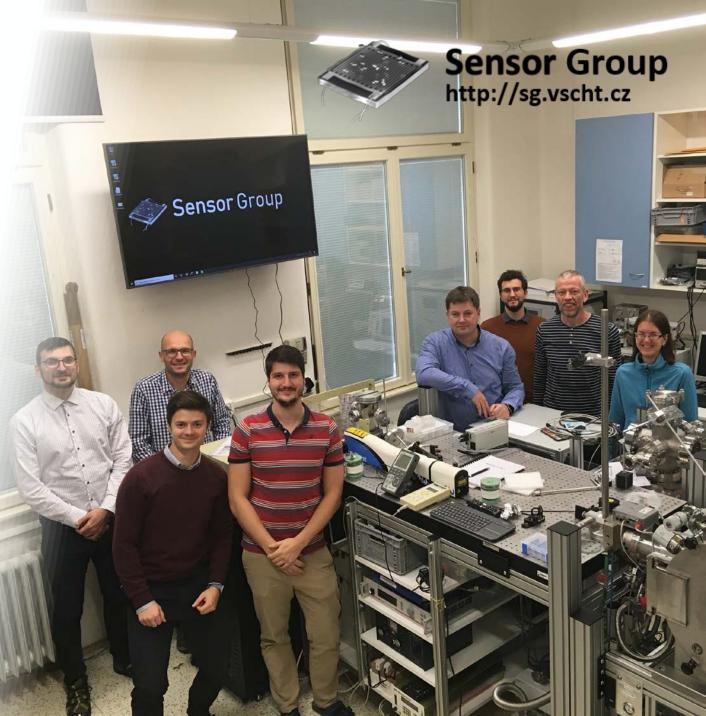


Sensor Group

- one of the research groups at the
 Department of Physics and
 Measurements, a part of Faculty of
 Chemical Engineering
- 11 members

Research

- Preparation and characterization of thin film structures for chemical gas sensors (Black metals, Inorganic semiconductors, Organic semiconductors, Polymer Ionic Liquids, Composites and Nanocomposites)
- PVD, CVD, PLD processes
- Design and development of gas sensors and sensor substrates
- Security systems of early detection (chemical warfare agents and taggants of explosives)
- Industrial systems for detection of hazardous gases and vapors (NO₂, NH₃, CO...)
- Monitoring systems of environmental pollution



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Technologies + Analyses – gas sensing

- Measurement of impedance in frequency range from 0,001 Hz up to 110 Mhz
- Measurement of DC resistance in range from $1\mu\Omega$ up to $1T\Omega$
- Gas chromatograph with IMS detector, Gas analyzer with quadrupole mass filter
- Preparation of gas mixtures (permeation, gas mixing)
- QCM measurements

Selected Projects – gas sensing

- Czech Science Foundation (GACR) project no. 22-14886S, Advanced chemoresistive device based on gas sensitive single-1D nanostructures (2022-2024)
- **Czech Science Foundation (GACR)** project no. 19-02804S, Nanostructured heterojunctions for chemiresistors (2019-2021)
- Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic, project no. FV20350, Chemiresistors Based on Nanocomposite Layers for Gas Detection (2017-2021)
- Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic, project no. VI20192022155, Advanced semiconductor sensors for hazardous industrial gases (2019-2022)
- *Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports* project no. LTC17058, Nano-Carbon Composite Materials for Thin Film Chemical Gas Sensors and Photovoltaics (2017-2020)
- **Czech Science Foundation** (**GACR**) project no. 17-13427S, Detection mechanisms on chemiresistors with a sensitive layer based on nanostructured oxides (2017-2019)
- **NATO Science for Peace and Security** project no. CEP-SPS NATO 984597, Solid state gas sensors against security and military threats (2014-2017)

Model of Chemiresistor Platform

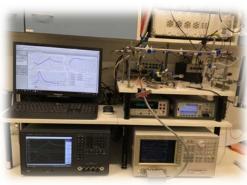
Chemiresistor with CoPc layer

Chemiresistor with BMs layer

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Selected Equipment



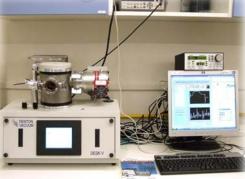
In-house developed systems for measurement of QCM sensor properties, Impedance analysers 4294A and E4990A



HV – Pulsed laser deposition system



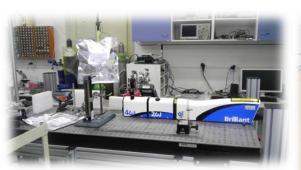
In-house developed systems for **measurement of sensor properties**, Electrometer Keithley 6517A and Keysight 34465A - precise measurement of high resistance materials with in-house fixtures with triaxial interconnection



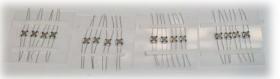
Denton DeskV TSC **DC Magnetron sputtering** deposition system



Laser-Induced Forward transfer system. System is based on Micro-CNC machine (Gravos GV-21) with resolution ~300 nm with diode laser wavelength of 405 nm, with power up to 200 mW



Nd:YAG Laser Quantel Brilliant 4th harmonics – 266 nm, 4ns, 45mJ



Chemiresistor substrates KBS4 developed in cooperation with company TESLA Blatna



HV - Deposition system combining molecular evaporator (Creaphys DE-FR/2.2), thermal boat evaporator and pulsed laser deposition

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VarioCAM HD thermal

camera with microscope

lens – resolution ~ 35µm



UHV - Deposition system combining two molecular evaporators and one boat evaporator, simultaneous deposition of various materials



Quantum Design PPMS (Physical Property Measurement System) with modules for measurement of electro-transport and magnetic properties in temperature range 1.85-400 K and magnetic fields up to 9T