FP7 Centre of Excellence in Food Safety and Emerging Risks (CEFSER) from the Faculty of Technology Novi Sad, Serbia: A point of joint research in domain of chemical contaminants in food and the environment

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Center of Excellence in Food Safety and Emerging Risks CEFSER is established at the Faculty of Technology during the FP7 project CEFSER based on the human and material resources of

Laboratory for Chemical Contaminants in Food and the Environment.

CEFSER project details EU contribution : 897650.00 euro Start Date: 2009-02-01 Duration: **42** months End Date: 2012-07-31

Coordinator: Faculty of Technology Novi Sad Total cost: 1.01 million euro

It is

A UNIQUE WESTERN BALKAN LABORATORY

for analysis of chemical contaminants in various



matrices

with



highly sophisticated analytical instruments,

collaborating with advanced EU institutions.







Equipment



ultra high performance liquid chromatography coupled to tandem mass spectrometry (Accela UHPLC-TSQ Vantage, Thermo Fisher Scientific)



ultra high performance liquid chromatography coupled to high resolution mass spectrometry with Orbitrap technology (Accela UHPLC-Exactive, Thermo Fisher Scientific)



Three ionisation sources for LC-MS systems, enabling possibility to analyzed compounds of different polarities.









gas chromatograph coupled to mass spectrometer (Agilent 7890B/5977MSD) equipped with autosampler for liquid injection, "head space" and solid phase microextraction (SPME)



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2006

microwave digestion system (Ethos one, Milestone)



accelerated solvent extractor Dionex ASE350 (Thermo Scientific)



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centrifuge (Thermo Scientific)



ultra pure water system (Millipore)



water deionization system

2012







equipment for mass and volume measurement

> sample prep equipment



2011

sample concentrator with block heater







Rotary vacuum evaporator (Heidolph)

Shaker (Heidolph)





Publications



CEFSER team has the highest publication record with more than 534 papers/presentations of which 98 articles are published in leading international journals with impact factors, some of them are prepared jointly with international partners.



The main research interests:

- Analysis of chemical contaminants
 - Food chemical safety and quality
- Environmental pollution and protection,

including green approach to remediation and

waste valorization

- Application of chemometrics
- Gaseous and alternative fuels

Selected articles published in journals from the SCI list dedicated to the chemical food safety issues:

Mycotoxins:

- B. Škrbić, I. Antić, J. Živančev, Presence of aflatoxin M1 in white and hard cheese samples from Serbia, Food Control (2014) <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.foodcont.2014.08.031</u>
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Rapid Analysis of Mycotoxins in Foods and Feed





Eluate was collected and evaporated to dryness using gentle stream of nitrogen. The residue was reconstituted with 1 ml of 20% aqueous acetonitrile and the obtained solution was passed through the 0.2 µm nylon syringe filter.

The simple sample preparation technique with only one step of extraction was also used for isolation of AFM1 from cheese.



The results of these studies represent the first most comprehensive data published on the mycotoxins occurrence in the foodstuff from the Serbian market.

Generally, all the analyzed food commodities were in compliance with the relevant national and EU regulation, except in the case of milk...

The obtained results indicate that the contamination of milk with AFM1 has the potential to be a serious public health problem in Serbia, particularly if the EU regulation would be taken into account.

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Inorganic and organic pollutants:

- S. Škaljac, Lj. Petrović, T. Tasić, P. Ikonić, M. Jokanović, V. Tomović, N. Džinić, B. Šojić, A. Tjapkin, B. Škrbić, Influence of smoking in traditional and industrial conditions on polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons content in dry fermented sausages (*Petrovská klobása*) from Serbia, Food Control, 40, 12-18, 2014.
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These results were also the FIRST ones of this kind used for the assessment of the intake by the general Serbian population. 32

Selected articles published in journals from the SCI list dedicated to the food quality:

- 1. Nebojša Stilinović, Biljana Škrbić, Jelena Živančev, Nataša Mrmoš, Nebojša Pavlović and Saša Vukmirović, The level of elements and antioxidant activity of commercial dietary supplement formulations based on edible mushrooms, Food and Function 2014 (accepted paper) DOI: 10.1039/c4fo00703d
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The work on food quality was dedicated to new recipes on wheat based products enriched with nutritionally valuable ingredients like high-oleic sunflower seed and hull-less barley flour.

In the enriched bread and cookies, the nutritionally valuable components were determined as well as the presence of the toxic elements in order to evaluate their chemical safety.

Selected articles published in journals from the SCI list dedicated to the environmental pollution:

Inorganic and organic pollutants:

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The samples from the urban and rural environment in selected locations mainly from the Vojvodina Province were analyzed for the presence of persistent organic pollutants, heavy elements and •emerging pollutants like pharmaceutically active compounds
Monitoring of pharmaceuticals in waters from northern Serbia was conducted jointly with the team from **Catalan Institute for Water** Research, Girona, Spain, coordinated by **Prof. Dr. Damia Barcelo and** Dr. Mira Petrović.





This was the first comprehensive study on the simultaneous occurrence of pharmaceuticals in different types of water from Serbia,





which is dominated almost entirely by the drainage basin of the river Danube and could therefore reflect water contamination by drugs throughout Eastern Europe.





 81 pharmaceutically active compounds were analyzed in surface, underground, drinking and municipal waste waters by UPLC-QqLIT-MS/MS method.







The HIGHEST concentrations (more than 1 µg/L) of pharmaceuticals like

ibuprofen, diclofenac, and carbamazepine metabolites, were found in MUNICIPAL WASTE WATER, while the lowest occurrence were in drinking waters.

In the absence of the official limits, comparison with literature data revealed generally lower levels of the pharmaceuticals in surface and drinking waters from Serbia.



Selected articles published in journals from the SCI list dedicated to the environmental protection, including "green" remediation and waste valorization:

- 1. E. Sajben-Nagy, L. Manczinger, B. Škrbić, J. Živančev, I. Antić, J. Krisch, Cs. Vágvölgyi, Characterization of an **extracellular laccase** of Leptosphaerulina chartarum, World J. Microbiol. Biotechnol., DOI 10.1007/s11274-014-1670-8
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 identification and quantification of the various pesticides and their degradation products in soil and water,

 determination of selected pesticides degradation kinetics



Magyarország-Szerbia IPA Határon Átnyúló Együttműködési Program



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Additionally, waste valorization was also tackled by investigating the potential of lignocelulozic materials for wastewater treatment and removal of heavy elements.

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ORIGINAL

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Modified hardwood sawdust as adsorbent of heavy metal ions from water

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Abstract The sawdust of oak and black locust hardwood was four good adsorption capacities for heavy metal ions. The leaching of organic matters during the adsorption can be prevented by each o lowing pre-treatments of adsorbents: with formaldehyde in acidic meo sodium hydroxide solution after formaldehyde treatment, or wit hydroxide only. The studies indicated that the leaching of coloure from modified hardwood sawdust was less than that from unmodi wood sawdust, namely between 70 and 94%, dependent on wood sj the method of modification. At the same time, adsorption capacities o adsorbents were higher than unmodified adsorbents when sodium was applied for modification. When formaldehyde was applied for



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Adsorption of copper ions from water by modified agricultural by-products

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Principal component analysis for soil contamination with organochlorine compounds

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Abstract

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Projects:

Project of Provincial Secretariat for Science and Technological Development: Occurrence of emerging pollutants in the environment and foodstuffs from the Serbian market, 2014.Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Project of Serbian Ministry of Education and Science: No. 172050, *Development and application of the advanced chromatographic and spectrometric methods in the analysis of xenobiotics and their degradation pathways in biotic and abiotic matrices, 2011-2015.* Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

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Bilateral project within Programme of Serbian - Chinese Science and Technology Cooperation, Human exposure assessment to heavy elements, phthalic acid esters and persistent organic pollutants through air, water, dust and food, 2013 -2015. Coordinator of the Serbian team: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Projects:

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Bilateral project within Programme of scientific and technological cooperation between the Republic of Serbia and the Kingdom of Spain, *Advanced chromatographic and mass spectrometric techniques in food chemical safety analysis, 2012-2013.* Coordinator of the Serbian team: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

COST Action TD 1203 – Food waste valorization for sustainable chemicals, materials and fuels (EUBis), 2012-2016, participation

COST Action ES 1202 – Conceiving wastewater treatment in 2020 – Energetic, environmental and economic challenges (Water_2020), 2012-2016, participation

COST Action ES 1403 - New and emerging challenges and opportunities in wastewaggr reuse (NEREUS), 2014-2018, participation

Projects:

FP7 project No . 229629, CEFSER - *Reinforcing research potential in the Laboratory for Chemical Contaminants at the Faculty of Technology towards the establishment of the Center of Excellence in Food Safety and Emerging Risks*, 2009-2012. Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Bilateral project within Serbian-Portugal intergovermental S&T programme, *Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and biogenic amines in smoked dry traditionally manufactured meat products from Serbia and Portugal*, 2011-2012. Coordinator of the Serbian team: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Bilateral project within Serbian–Croatian intergovermental S&T programme, *Inorganic and organic pollutants in urban areas, 2011-2012.* Coordinator of the Serbian team: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Project cofinanced by EU within Hungary-Serbia IPA Cross-border Co-operation programme implemented within the 2007 – 2013 Europan Union financial framework under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA), *Development of xenobiotic degrading bioaugmentation products (BIOXEN)*, HU - SRB /0901/214/150, 2010-2011. Coordinator of the Serbian team (Deputy Project Manager): Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić 56

Projects:

Bilateral project within Serbian– Hungarian intergovermental S&T programme, *Comparison of various analytical and chemometric methods*, 2010-2011. Coordinator of the Serbian team: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Bilateral project within Serbian–Slovenian intergovermental S&T programme, *Heavy metals in the environment as a consequence of the anthropogenic activities*, 2010-2011. Coordinator of the Serbian team: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Project of Serbian Ministry for Science and Technological Development: No. 152001B, Sources identification and correlations amongst the elements and organic compounds in abiotic and biotic matrices: risk analysis and a contribution to the monitoring and improvement of the environmental status, 2008-2010. Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Certificated reference materials – wheat flour and soil certificated contents of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, Carlsberg Srbija d.o.o., 2006/2007. Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Projects:

Project of Serbian Ministry for Science and Technological Development: No. BTN-321004B, within National Biotechnology and Agriculture Program: *Baked goods and flour confectioneries with addition of industrial plant seed*, 2006-2007.Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Production of new certificated reference materials. Project awarded within competition of The Best Tehnological Innovation, 2007. Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Project of Austrian Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs within Course development plus program implemented in Support to higher education in Serbia and Montenegro in 2005/2007 (2006). Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Projects:

Project of Serbian Ministry for Science No. 1775, within Basic Research-Chemistry: *Development of methods for identification of chemical residues and contaminants in major food crops*, 2002-2005. Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Project of Serbian Ministry for Science and Environment, No. 02E31: Development of new technologies for wastegas and wastewater purification and methods for gas and water quality control, 1996-2000. Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Project of Serbian Ministry for Science and Environment , No. 0935: Development of the ecologically accepted processes and products in oil-petrochemical industry, 1991-1995. Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić

Through these projects important international collaboration with prestigious institutions from EU has been established:

CEFSER, No. 229629, 2009-2012, the following links have been established:

Through FP7 project,

• Department of Environmental Chemistry, Barcelona, Spain

 Institute for Environmental Studies, Vrije University, Amsterdam, the Netherlands CEFSER CEEEEK • CHIRON AS, Trondheim, Norway

> • Catalan Institute for Water Research, Girona, Spain

Thermo Fisher
 Scientific, Prague,
 Czech Republic

• Institute of Chemical Technology, Prague, Czech Republic

With University of Szeged links were established through



• Project within Hungary-Serbia IPA Cross-border Co-operation programme implemented within the 2007 – 2013 Europan Union financial framework under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA), **Development of an enzymological (laccasebased) remediation product and technology (LACREMED),** HU-SRB/1002/214/147, 2012-2013.

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Scientific Council of Association of Environmental Health and Protection of Danube-Kris-Mures-Tisza (DKMT) Euroregion, Szeged, Hungary



Through **BILATERAL PROJECTS** the links were established with the following institutions from:

•China - College of Environmental Science and Engineering, Nankai University, Tianjin (Human exposure assessment to heavy elements, phthalic acid esters and persistent organic pollutants through air, water, dust and food, 2013-2015)

•Spain - Department of Environmental Chemistry, Institute of Environmental Assessment and Water Research, Barcelona (Advanced chromatographic and mass spectrometric techniques in food chemical safety analysis, 2012-2013)

•Portugal - Faculty of Veterinary Medicine – Technical University of Lisbon, Lisbon (Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and biogenic amines in smoked dry traditionally manufactured meat products from Serbia and Portugal, 2011-2012),



•Croatia - Croatian Geological Survey, Zagreb

Inorganic and organic pollutants in urban areas, 2011-2012,

•Slovenia - Geological Survey of Slovenia, Ljubljana

Heavy metals in the environment as a consequence of the anthropogenic activities, 2010-2011.

•Hungary - Chemical Research Centre - Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest

Comparison of various analytical and chemometric methods, 2010-2011 HUNGARIAN – SERBIAN INTERGOVERNMENTAL S&T COOPERATION PROGRAMME FOR 2010 – 2011

Comparison of various analytical and chemometric methods

Károly Héberger, Chemical Research Center, Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Biljana Škrbić

Nataša Đurišić-Mladenović Miroslav Zorić, Faculty of Technology University of Novi Sad

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The scientific problem can be outlined as follows: The comparison of modeling methods in their basis performance does not correspond to the principle of parsimowy. Williablo of much less information, smaller angle of freedom can pravise almost the same or even better models. If the systematic errors of a given method is not known, it is expedient to measure the same thing with (many) different methods hoping that the various errors cancel each other. However, many performance indicators indicate different methods as best inhere it is not known which method should be preferend. The novel way of method comparison is to be elaborated. Moreover, the selection of the best method is supported by crossvalication studies.

In the last years novel techniques have been elaborated for comparison of methods in the Chemical Research Center at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. The operanetric methods to be compared have been reviewed leantly. The procedure to be elaborated can be applied for comparing analytical and modeling methods alike. Several analytical and multivariate methods werealised bacted and applied in the Reculty of Technology. University of Novi Sac.

It is expedient to join our forces, check the various methods and further develop the procedures for method comparison. The method comparison studies have not only theoretical interest, but they can be utilized to solve many practical problems:

To select the best models for prediction of biological activities e.g. toxicities of different compounds;

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 To establish the best column for a given separation task in HPLC

To determine the best pattern recognition and/or classification algorithm.

EXPECTED RESULTS OF THE PROJECT

compound toxicity, optimizing chemical processes, chromatography, medical diagnosis, etc.

As a result of the activities within the project "Comparison of various analytical and chemometric methods" under the Serbian-Hungarian Intergovermental S&T Programme, 2010-2011 article entitled "Chemometric interpretation of heavy metal patterns in soils worldwide" is in press at Chemosphere journal



Just recently (July 2014) Protocol of Scientific Cooperation has been agreed between "VasileGoldiş " Western University of Arad – Institute for Life Sciences, Arad, Romania, and CEFSER



Latest interests:

-mycotoxins in surface waters

-chemometric characterization of biomass gasification, and...

-pyrethroids in food and environmental samples



Chromatogram of the resolved standard mixture of OCPs, PCBs and PYRETHROIDS by GC-µECD (HP-5, 30 m x 0.25 mm, 0.25 µm)



The events organized by the CEFSER team have been attended by numerous researchers from Serbia and Western Balkan Countries:

2014

COST Action TD 1203 "EUBis" – Workshop on Vegetable Waste Valorization, 6-7 August 2014 Training Course on Chemical Contaminants in the Environment and Food, 21-23 August 2014

2013

Course on Perfluorinated Compounds in the Environment and Food, 16 December, 2013 Training Course - Novel mass spectrometric techniques in the food safety analysis, 19-20 September 2013 15th Danube-Kris-Mures-Tisza (DKMT) Euroregion Conference on Environment and Health with the satellite event LACREMED Conference "Sustainable agricultural production: restoration of agricultural soil quality by remediation", 16-17 May 2013 LACREMED Mid-term Meeting, 18 January 2013

2012

CEFSER Closing Event and Final Training, 29-30 July 2012 **5th CEFSER Training Course** - Analysis of Chemical Contaminants in Food and the Environment, 7-11 May 2012

2011

BIOXEN Closing Event, 26 September 2011

BIOXEN Training Course - High Resolution Mass Spectrometry of Xenobiotics, 1-3 June 2011

2nd CEFSER Workshop – Persistent Organic Pollutants in Food and Environment, 8-10 September 2011

BIOXEN Seminar - Novel Approaches for Environmental Protection, 8-10 September 2011

4th CEFSER Training Course - Persistent Organic Pollutants in Food and Environment: Risk Assessment, 14-15 November 2011
2010

1st CEFSER Training Course – Capabilities of U-HPLC-MS/MS in Analysis of Contaminants and Pharmaceutical Compounds in Food and the Environment, 6-8 April 2010, Novi Sad

2nd CEFSER Training Course - Quality Assurance (QA) and Quality Control (QC) Procedures in Analysis of Contaminants and Pharmaceutical Compounds in Food and the Environment, 9 April 2010, Novi Sad

1st CEFSER Workshop - Regional Perspectives in Food Safety, 14 September 2010, Novi Sad

12th Danube-Kris-Mures-Tisa (DKMT) Euroregion Conference on Food, Environment and Health, 14-15 September 2010, Novi Sad

3rd CEFSER Training Course - High Resolution Mass Spectometry in Quantitative Analysis and Screening of Organic Contaminants in Food and Environment, 16-17 September 2010, Novi Sad

BIOXEN Opening Event, 26 October 2010, Novi Sad

Course *"Novel Chemometric Methods -* An Introduction to Multivariate Statistical Techniques", 30 November 2010, Novi Sad

2009

CEFSER Symposium - Communicating Science and Risks, 30 November 2009, Novi Sad



The lecturers from the outstanding European institutions, including the world well known researchers in the field of chemical contaminants in food and the environment, contributed to the events, recognizing the importance of the CEFSER Lab in the region as well as for the European Research Area:

Prof. Dr. Jana Hajšlová, Department of Food Chemistry & Analysis, Institute of Chemical Technology, Prague, Czech Republic

Prof. Dr. Karl-Werner Schramm, Helmholtz Zentrum Munchen, German Research Center for Environmental Health, Institute of Ecological Chemistry, Neuherberg, Germany

Prof. Dr. Karoly Heberger, Chemical Research Center, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary

Prof. Dr. **Ivan Holoubek**, RECETOX (Research Centre for Toxic Compounds in the Environment), Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic





Prof. Dr. Mira Petrović, CSIC-IDAEA, Barcelona, Spain

Dr. **Stefan van Leeuwen**, Institute for Environmental Studies (IVM), Free University, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Dr. Jon E. Johansen, CHIRON AS, Trondheim, Norway

Prof. Dr. **Carmen Cámara**, Dr. Jon Sanz-Landaluze, Faculty of Chemistry, Complutense University of Madrid, Madrid, Spain



Prof. Dr. **Csaba Vágvölgyi**, Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Science and Informatics, University of Szeged, Szeged, Hungary

Prof. Dr. **Trajče Stafilov**, Faculty of Science and Mathematics, Sts. Cyril and Methodius University, Republic of Macedonia

Dr. Michal Godula, Food Safety Specialist, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Prague, Czech Republic

Dr. Philippe Verlinde, Institute of Reference Materials and Measurements, Geel, Belgium





Publications: books of abstracts and papers



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dedicated to the reinforcement of research capacities at the Laboratory for Chemical Contaminants in Food and the Environment at the Faculty of Technology, University of Novi Sad. Serbia, in order to become a unique Western Balkan Country (WBC) Centre of Excellence in Food Safety and Emerging Risks. It started on Feb 01, 2009, and will last 36 months. The summary of the realized activities and outcomes of CEFSER in the first project year is given

REINFORCEMENT OF THE MATERIAL RESOU

· 3rd CEFSER Tra

September 16-17, 2010.

Thermo Fisher Scientific UHPLC

Accela -Exactive MS

ng Course dedicated to

Two outstanding instruments are arriving at the CEFSER lab. This is the result of the negotiation of the CEFSER coordinator, Prof. Dr. Biljana Škrbić with the representatives of the world companies for the separation instruments and mass spectrometric ectors, conducted during 2009.

Prof. Dr. Biliana Škrbić explained: "In order to perform the procurement of the instruments as successful as possible in terms of the CEFSER sustainability and attractiveness for the future international research activities, it was decided to try to extend the project budget share allocated to the reinforcement of the material resources in a way to purchase two instruments with complementary application ranges in the field of food and hanneln villerinito trammitteri ano to heateri viatez letrammituri to be bought". She further said that the CEFSER supporting partners suggested to have ultra performance liquid chromatograph (UPLC) with high resolution mass spectrometer (MS) together with IPLC coupled to triple quadrupole mass spectrometer (MS/MS), originally planned to be bought. Laboratory with such systems is fully equipped for targeted analysis and also for the screening of nowns, both very important aspects in the food safety analysis, cularly in the analysis of emerging pollutants.



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"These two instruments are unique for the whole Western Balkan In this context, three CEFSER events region and even wider for now, making our lab a modern and an with invited lecturers from the supporting in attractive partner for the joint research considering the occurrence of them might be found on the CEFSER web site organic contaminants in food and environmental matrices as well* said Interpret of the second sec and the Environment', April 06-08, 2010: the latest analytical challenges in the field of food safety: 'It is very and the Environment, April 05-06, 2010; the savet analysical interleads in the savet analysical interleads in tool savet, it is very -2nd CEFSER Training Course "Quality challenging to develop analytical methods for the simultaneous Quality Control (QC) Procedures in Analysis determination of as many as possible contaminants in only one run of

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completed during the project second year of implementation. The CEFSER Lab now possesses two outstanding instruments: ultra high performance liquid chromatograph (UHPLC Accela, Thermo Hisher

high resolution mass spectrometer with Orbitrap technology (Exactive, Thermo Fisher Scientific). These two instruments are unique for the whole Western Balkan Countries (WBCs) region and even wider for now particularly due to their mass spectrometers with features that separated them from the similar instruments available in the region. The project coordinator, Prof. Biljana Škrbić, clarified the extended research scope of the CEFSER Lab Laboratory with such systems, together with the instruments pre



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(UHPLC Accela, Thermo Haner Scientific) coupled to triple quadrupole mass spectrometer (TSQ Vantage MS/MS Thermo Fisher Scientific) and UHPLC with

Faculty of Technology, University of Novi Sad, Novi Sad, Sert **CEFSER** research Reinforcement of the material and human resources of the Laboratory for Chemical Contaminants in Food and the Environment at the Faculty of Technology, Novi Sad, through the FP>-REGPOT-2008-1 project CEFSER (GA 229629) is almost fully completed and the Lab capacities have been directed towards gathering of new knowledge on the chemical pollutants in various food and environmental samples. The research agenda of the Lab is broaden and some of the latest challenges in food safety and environmental protection have been tackled, covering the topics of several national and international projects running and coordinated by the CEFSER Project Coordinator. Through these projects new collaborations with research institutions from the second seco

EU have been established, proving the attractiveness of the CEFSER Lab. Description of the Lab

material resources and the list of recent projects, developed methods and those under development are presented hereafter, and all this could be regarded as a direct indicator of successful project implementation and, in fact, a domino effect caused by CEFSER. MATERIAL RESOURCES OF CEFSER LAB

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· UHPLC with high resolution mass spectrometer with Orbitrag technology Thermo Scientific Accela - Exactive,

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- Atomic absorption spectrometer with a graphite tube Varian AAS240/GTA120
- · Gas chromatograph equipped with electron capture detector Agilent 7890 Gas chromatograph equipped with flame-ionization detector

0.44//10/20 Various sample prep equipment: centrifuge ..., MilliQ system for ultrapure water, vacuum rotary evaporator, sample concentrator, shaker, ultrasonic bath,

METHODS (developed/under development in CEFSER Lab)

· Multicompound analysis of principal mycotoxins in crude extracts of different food commodities (flours, cereal grains, spices, green coffee) by UHPLC-MS/MS •Multicompound analysis of selected pesticides in soil and water interests by UNDLC MOAR

 Multicompound screening of food and environmental extracts by UHPLC-HRMS · Multicompound analysis of organochlorine pesticides and

pyrethroids in food and envir stal matrices by GC/ECD Multicompound analysis of priority (EPA and 15+1 EU) polycyclic

aromatic hydrocarbons in food and environmental matrices by UHPLC-APPI-MS/MS Analysis of perfluorinated compounds in food and environmental

matrices by UHPLC-MS/MS Analysis of mineral oil in food and environmental matrices by GC/FID

 Analysis of heavy elements in food and environmental matrices by AAS



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· Heavy metals in the environment as a consequence of the pogenic activities, bilateral project within Serbian-Slo overmental S&T programme, 2010-201





Publications: LACREMED newsletters and guidelines



The project "Development of an enzymological (laccase based) remediation product and technology-LACRENED", HU-SRE/10(2):214/147 (1 January 2012 - 31 December 2013), is implemented under the Hungary-Serbia IPA Cross-bonder Co-operation Programme. The Programm's electrics to facilitatine productive segment of the "unspec-facilitation before name with the support of the Duranes Linear Incorrect to electric as a harmonic and electricating segment to the support of the support of the Duranes to the development of a characterization segment to the substantiation of the analytic production to the support of phone and entry development of a characterization segment to the substantiation of the analytic phone and phone and entry development of the substantiation of the substantiating substantia users, enabling the preservation of the soil quality in the region known for its rich agricultural tradition. The activities and outcomes of the first project year anepresented hereafter.

Projekst "Razvoj protovoda i tehnologije za remedijaciju na bad primene endma (lakaze-LACREMEDI)", HU-SRE/0002/2141-9 (01. januar 1012 – 3. december 2013) nelizy se u okviru IPA Prekograničnog programa Nedeske-Srbija. Cij programa je da potportogne zajednički rezvoj međeniko-spekih poganičnih područje uz podliku čivrgalke unije u ciju postizanje hermoničnog i koopentihnog. negiona sa održvimi bezbednim okružanjem. Cil jLACRZHZO projekta je razvoj jako dostupnih smesa mkrobioloških jakaza, sposobnih m regrednju i detokalaciju širokog spektra kanobiotila iz grupa fenolnih i aniinakih derivata u zagađenim zamjištima i vodama. Jednostavnom primenom ovog protovoda u postrojenjima za obradu otpadnih voda ili dinektno na zamijištu, potobi nazvoj životne anedne regiona i njegove bogate tradicje pojoprivedne protovodnje biče orogućan. Aktivnosti i ruzutati ostve 🏹 u prvoj projektnoj godini predstavljeni su u daljem tekstu.

Az, Szcim (lakkáz) alapú bioremediációs termik és technológia kifejesztéle" című projekt a Nagyerszság-Szerbia (A Helsron Árvy00 Együttműktólai Program kentélan nalónul meg (LACRENED", HU-SZER002014147 (2012, január 1. – 2013, december 31.). A Program fő céja, hogy sz Surópai Unió Simográsiáni lahátóségt biztostson a regyia-szirbhatárvidék közta fejesztésén egy harmonkus, együttrőködő, fennártható és biztonságta környezétel rendekező régió létrehozásával. A LACRENED project céja olyan olcaó, mikroblála eredető lakkázendmikésztmény előáltása, mely képel a szennyezét vizben éstalajban található fendi és aniln származákok szálas könének álalaktására (meningestősére). Egy ilyen termék könnyen heználható öntözött brületek és a talaj megtisztősés, amival megőrizhetjük a mezőgaztasági hegyományairól lamert régió kíváló talajminőságát. A projekt első évének munkafolyamatairól és aradmänyairði olvas hatnakabban a hirlavában.





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The project _Development of an entry moleo ical /isccase-base diremed btion product and technology" is implemented under the Hungary-Sarbia RA Cross-border Co-operation Programme (http://www.hu-orb-lps.com). The Programme's objective is to facilitate the joint development of the Hungary-Sarbia border areas with the support of the European Union in order to achieve a harmonic and co-operating region with sustainable and safe environment.



Szegedi Tudományegyetem, Természettudományi és Informatikai Ka; Szeged, Magyarország

Az "Erzim (tekkiz) alapú biorene dációa termék és technológia kifejesztése" cínű projekt a Nagyaronszág-Szerbia IPA llasáron Átnyülő Együttműködési Program kavesében valdaul még (http://www.hu-vto-lps.com). A Program fő célja, hogy az Európai Uniö témegetésével lehezőséget bístosében a magyar-szerő határvidék közös fejlésztésére egy harmonikus j agyűttműködő, fanntartható ás biztonaágos, kömyezettel rendelkező négió létrehozásával.



Departman za mikrobiologiju, fakultat prirodnih nauka, Univerzitat u Segedinu, Segedin, Mađarska

"Rezvoj proizvoda i tehnologija za remedijaciju na bazi primene enzima (takaza)" je pojekat koji se resilzuje u okvinu IPA prekograničnog programa Nadarska-Grbija (http://www.hu-arb-ips.com). Cilj programa je da potpomogne zajednički razvoj nadarsko-srpskih pograničnih područja uz podsku Diropske unije u cilju postizanje harmoničnog i kooperstimog regione es održivim i bezbednim okruženjen

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Publications: projects' brochures





Resource

Reinforcing research potential in the Laboratory for Chemical Contaminants at the Faculty of Technology towards the establishment of the Center of Excellence in Food Safety and Emerging

Food saftery is currently one of the most important challenges contronting consumer, produce it is also an issue that is in the centre of interest of scientists and expensive secarcie it has greand legal consequences. Frequent dramatic food emergencies occurred in Europe focus th safety in order to manage the risks for human health that could occur in any point of the lo environmental pointion, rapid expansion in international trade of thood and in busism sect increased risk of higher intake of food chemical contaminants through offer and destinge ruthermore, he issue of emerging poliutionarus has itsen to the horeborint of the lood safety decade. Emerging contaminants are previously unknown or unrecognized poliutants. Most therefore, here is a need for reliable data on their occurrence in food in order to perform any sessens in the mane for the rule science. Food safety is a global challenge. The large to the perform therefore, here is a need for reliable data on their occurrence.

The Project

CEFSER is the FP7 project dedicated to the reinforcement of research capacities at the Laboratory for Chemical Contaminants in Food and the Environment (LabCHEMCONT) at the Faculty of Technology, University of Novi Sad, Serbia, in order to become a unique Western Balkan Country (WBC) Centre of Excellence in Food Safety and Emerging Risks. Through postulated general objectives such as capital investments in a highly sophisticated analytical instrument, upgrading of the existing equipment, reinforcement of the human resources (hiring, mobility, etc), and networking with advanced EU institutions, CEFSER integrates LabCHEMCONT and the Faculty of Technology within the European Research Area, contributing to general harmonization of R&D within the food safety and emerging risks research

The EC reviewers evaluated the CEFSER proposal with the highest score, 15/15.

The LabCHEMCONT is establ of Technology in the last tw achievements of its staff are recognized for expertise on contaminants in the food and LabCHEMCONT team ha background in chemical cor and risk assessment regarding elements. The laboratory absorption spectrometer wit (GTAAS), gas chromatogra flame-ionization detector (C mass spectrometry detector (chromatograph with UV and (HPLC/UV-DAD). Through equipment is substantially r with installation of the h ultraperformance liquid ch triple quadrupole mass sp MS/MS). In this way, LabC equipped for the analysis of k contaminants in food and representing a modern analy





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Razvoj bioproizvoda za degradaciju ksenobiotika

Development of *xenobiotic*degrading bioaugmentation products

Xenobiotikum-bontó bioaugmentációs termékek kifejlesztése



The project is so-financed by the European Union through the Hungary-Serbia IPA Cross-border Co-operation Programme



LACREMED

Development of an enzymological (laccasebased) remediation product and technology

Enzim- (lakkáz-) alapú bioremediációs termék és technológia kifejlesztése

Razvoj proizvoda i tehnologije za remedijaciju na bazi primene enzima (lakaze)



The project is co-financed by the European Union

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