New Potentialities of NMR and DNP for the Study of Biomaterials: Experiments and Theory

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#### Pathological calcifications (kidney stones, KS)



#### an intrinsic structural/chemical complexity

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 $\rightarrow$  diagnosis

 $\rightarrow$  prevention

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CaOx



### NMR / DNP ?

A site B site

HAp

### NMR as a unique platform of characterization

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Sensitivity enhancement

DNP crystallography







Magnetic Resonance, 2021

**H-bonds networks** 

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#### <sup>13</sup>C CP MAS @ 5 kHz





from: CaOx Dihydrate

#### <sup>1</sup>H<sup>-13</sup>C spectral editing by inversion of polarization



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(ppm) 11

#### Full interpretation of the <sup>13</sup>C CP MAS NMR spectra



 $\sqrt{\text{disordered COM phase: statistical I2/m space group (Shepelenko et al., 2020)}}$  12

#### The new phase is ubiquitous in COM syntheses



#### $\sqrt{\text{COM phase: } P2_1/c \text{ space group}}$

 $\sqrt{10}$  disordered COM phase: statistical *I*2/*m* space group (Shepelenko et al., 2020)

#### Towards artificial kidney stones



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#### The Randall's plaque



# d < 1 mm

Sherer et al., Acta Biomater., 2018



#### Magic Angle Coil Spinning (MACS)

esuble

#### Sakellariou et al., 2007



#### 2D experiments on small mass samples



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100 K, <u>DNP juice</u>: glycerol-d<sub>8</sub>/D<sub>2</sub>O/H<sub>2</sub>O (60/30/10; v/v/v) + AMUPol,



Nature Commun., 2017 (with D. Lee, G. de Paëpe, D. Laurencin)

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Analytical Chem., 2017 (with F. Aussenac)

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unpublished results

#### bulk (water, organics...)



CP2K/quickstep DFT Gaussian plane wave hybrids PBE / D3 Grimme / OptPBE-vdW BO-MD GROMACS, Gromos force field 54a7

role of water, layers of solvation at DFT level...

Crystal Growth & Design, 2020 (with F. Tielens)



- <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C nuclei as pertinent targets for diagnosis at hospitals
- *in situ* monitored phase transformations, a new polymorph of CaOx
- More sensitivity offered by MACS and DNP (+ crystallography)

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