INORGANIC ELECTROCHEMISTRY and NANOMATERIALS



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# Research activity



The research activity mainly concerns with the development of new materials for environmental and biomedical applications, through:

- and hybrid materials
- and molecules of pharmacological interest
- ✓ Characterization of composition and structure of solid surfaces and nanoparticles
- powders in transmission and reflection

✓ Chemical and electrochemical deposition of surface layers of organic, inorganic

✓ The study by voltammetric techniques of inorganic/organometallic complexes

✓ Spectroscopic characterization (UV-vis, FTIR, FTIR-ATR) of liquids, films and



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## Technologies and services



#### ✓ Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM)

The AFM microscope can be used for the morphological characterization at nanometric scale of materials, of coatings, mirrors, lenses, etc.

#### ✓ Potentiostats and galvanostats

These tools are used to study the aptitude to exchange electrons of various materials, both in solution and in solid state.

#### ✓ UV-Visible-NIR spectrophotometers

Used for the analysis of color and concentrations in solution.

#### ✓ FTIR spectrophotometer

Used for the study of the materials' composition.

#### ✓ Cells for spectroelectrochemistry

Used for the spectroscopic study of the composition variations that accompany the exchange of electrons.



# Applications and collaborations

Projects in collaboration with industrial partners, concluded or still ongoing: ✓ Development of a new electrosynthetic drug pathway (Rottapharm Biotech) ✓ Colorimetric determination of polysaccharides in food supplements (Erbozeta s.p.a.) ✓ Colorimetric determination of statins in food supplements (Biodue s.p.a.) ✓ Electrochemical characterization of the Fenton reaction in medical devices (Galenica

- Senese s.r.l.)
- ✓ Characterization of catalysts for distillation plants (Centro Ricerca Energia e Ambiente)

The group has the skills and the equipment to collaborate with companies interested in characterizing or designing new materials including composites, such as:

- nanomaterials •
- magnetic materials
- functionalized and non-functionalized nanoparticles
- electrode materials
- materials for biotechnology
- drugs and/or food supplements
- bioactive molecules
- materials for photovoltaic and LED
- thin films •



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