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A particular educational feature of the program is to enable students and young researchers to benefit from the event, by providing introductory lectures preceding most recent results in many topics covered by the regular talks. In other words, apart from the regular lectures, the plenary speakers will also give tutorial lectures specifically designed for students and scientists starting in this field.

The Conference consists of oral presentations and vibrant poster sessions. The wish of the organizers is to provide a platform for discussing new developments and concepts within various disciplines of photonics, by bringing together researchers from academia, government and industrial laboratories for scientific interaction, the showcasing of new results in the relevant fields and debate on future trends. This year our conference will contribute celebration of the International Year of Light as a global initiative which will highlight to the citizens of the world the importance of light and optical technologies. This PHOTONICA 2015 will include two COST Action meetings and one workshop with the main objective to promote knowledge in various disciplines of photonics. In additional to the lectures and seminars, a Round Table "Scientific publishing: Editors et altera" will be organized where the editors will present editorial and publishing policies of their journals and share their experiences. Following the official program, the participants will also have plenty of opportunity to mix and network outside of the lecture theatre with planned free time and social events.

This book contains 219 abstracts of all presentations at the **5th International School and Conference on Photonics, PHOTONICA2015**. Authors from 50 countries from all continents will present their work at the conference. There will be six tutorial and seven keynote lectures to the benefits of students and young researches. Twenty four invited lectures, five progress reports of young Serbian researchers and thirty one contributed talks will present most recent results in their research fields. Within the two poster sessions, students and young researches will present 146 poster presentations on their new results in a cozy atmosphere of the Serbian academy of science and arts.

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# Assessment of structural and optical properties of self-assembled photonic structures

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The great potential of self-assembled colloidal structures in several technological areas of modern photonics derives from the low cost and relative simplicity with which they are fabricated. The optical properties of this kind of medium are not only determined by the response of its isolated constituents but also by their spatial arrangement. When polystyrene spheres self-assemble in a periodic fashion, the spatially ordered variation of the dielectric function gives rise to photonic bands and thus the colloidal structure becomes a photonic crystal [1,2].

In this study, colloidal thin films were prepared by the spin-coating [3] and vertical deposition method [4]. By varying the spinning velocity, acceleration and duration of rotation, we obtained different number of colloidal crystal layers. Also, we have prepared opals (multilayer films) with the vertical deposition technique and compared the obtained structures with those obtained by the spin-coating method. In both cases, the thin films were fabricated by depositing colloidal dispersions of 300 nm polystyrene spheres onto microscope glass slide substrates.

The morphology of samples was studied by atomic force microscopy, while their optical properties were investigated by spectroscopic ellipsometry and UV-VIS-IR spectrophotometry. An appropriate model has been developed for the determination of the optical properties of the colloidal films by ellipsometry. In order to validate the model applied, the parameters obtained have been compared with those determined by means of transmittance measurements. From transmittance measurements, in the case of monolayer films, diffraction peak in the visible range was observed. On the other side, in the case of opal has been verified the presence of a photonic band gap which should be attributed to Bragg diffraction [5].

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# Localization of light in a polysaccharide-based complex nanostructure

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Complex nanostructures are interesting research topic, due to remarkable properties for photonic applications [1]. Photonic structures are generated by many methods. Holographic method [2] has several advantages: it is simple and fast, capable of producing one-, two- and three- dimensional periodic nanostructures over a large area. We combine the holographic method with non-solvent induced phase separation to generate complex photonic structures.

Polysaccharide sensitized with ammonium dichromate was used as recording material. Photonic structures were fabricated as a volume Bragg reflection grating recorded with the single-frequency, diode pumped Nd-YAG laser, at 532 nm. After exposure, grating was chemically processed in a developer. The resulting Bragg layers, upon phase separation, is filled with polydisperse, almost spherical nanoparticles arranged in a random way.

We investigated optical bandgap properties in the complex nanostructure, as a measure of the photon confinement in the layer, and we have measured the backscattered light cone and determined the mean free path of light in structure. The width of backscattering cone indicates a weak localization regime.

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