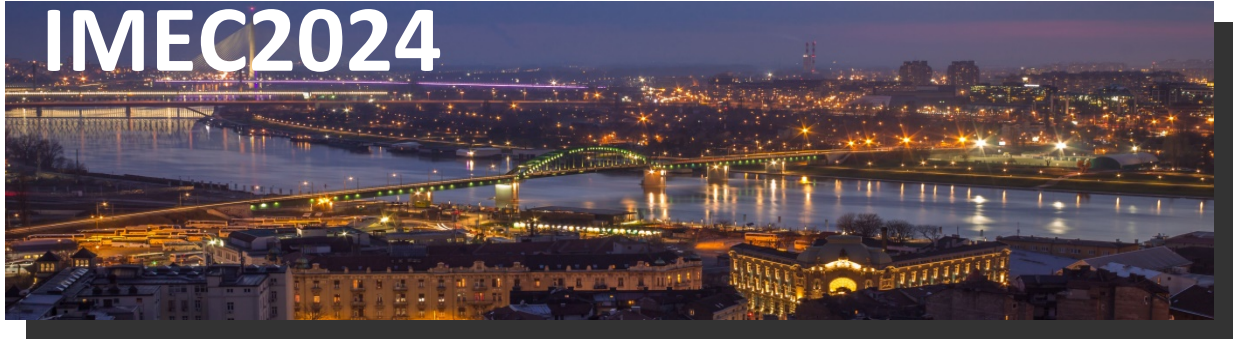


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Preface

Dear conference participants and readers, we have the pleasure to welcome you all to Belgrade, Serbia, as the venue for the 2nd International Conference on Innovative Materials in Extreme Conditions (IMEC2024). This event is jointly organized by the Serbian Society for Innovative Materials in Extreme Conditions (SIM-EXTREME), the Center of Excellence "Center for Synthesis, Processing and Characterization of Materials for Application in Extreme Conditions - CEXTREME LAB" of the Vinča Institute of Nuclear Sciences - National Institute of the Republic of Serbia, University of Belgrade, and the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of Belgrade.

The scope of the IMEC2024 is to become the worldwide forum for discussion of experts and young researchers on the phenomena arising during the processing and/or exploitation of the innovative materials. The IMEC2024 conference is focused on the current research in the field of material science, physics, chemistry, earth, and computational science. Experimental and computational investigations of materials obtained or operated under extreme conditions presented during the conference are highlighting recent progress in the development of the innovative materials at high pressures, under high magnetic and electric fields, over a wide range of temperatures, radiation conditions, corrosive environments, under extreme mechanical loads, and non-equilibrium thermodynamic conditions. The interrelation between external effects, microstructural characteristics, and material properties is considered on the experimental and theoretical level to obtain new or enhanced insights into the material behavior and their application.

We want to use this opportunity to thank our sponsors and co-organizers for helping us to successfully organize the IMEC2024 conference. First of all, we want to mention that the Ministry of Science, Technological Development and Innovation of the Republic of Serbia recognized our conference as an important event and gave their financial endorsement. Also, we want to thank the Vinča Institute of Nuclear Sciences – National Institute of the Republic of Serbia, University of Belgrade, for their strong financial support. We especially appreciate the support of the Royal Family of Serbia and the Serbian Royal Palace. In the end, we would like to thank all the members of the Conference Advisory Board, the Conference International Scientific Committee, and the Conference Organizing Committee who participated in the preparations of the IMEC2024 conference.

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Oral Presentation	Erosion wear of HCCI alloys
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12:40 – 12:55	<i>Lenka Ďaková, Slovak Academy of Sciences, Slovakia</i>
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Oral Presentation	Experimental investigations to evaluate surface fatigue wear in journal bearing by using vibration signal analysis
10:35 – 10:50	<i>Ramachandra C G, Presidency University, India</i>
Oral Presentation	Experimental and simulation analysis of influence of stacking sequence on tensile and abrasion resistance of e-glass/jute fibre-based hybrid composites
10:50 – 11:20	Coffee break (Exhibition hall)
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Session Chairs:	
<i>Hari Kumar, Indian Institute of Technology - Madras, India</i>	
<i>Peter Tatarko, Slovak Academy of Sciences, Slovakia</i>	
11:20 – 11:40	<i>Maria Čebela, University of Belgrade, Serbia</i>
Invited Lecture	Enhancement of weak ferromagnetism, exotic structure prediction and diverse electronic properties in bismuth ferrite and holmium-substituted multiferroic bismuth ferrite
11:40 – 11:55	<i>Dejan Zagorac, University of Belgrade, Serbia</i>
Oral Presentation	Study of lanthanum fluoride selenides using a combination of crystal structure prediction and DFT calculations with experimental synthesis and characterization
11:55 – 12:10	<i>Dušica Jovanović, University of Niš, Serbia</i>
Oral Presentation	DFT study of new hybrid organic-inorganic perovskites: guanidinium-BX ₃ substituted by B = (Sr ²⁺ , Ca ²⁺ , Mg ²⁺ , Be ²⁺) and X = (Cl ⁻ , F ⁻)

12:10 – 12:30	<i>Thomas Bräuniger, Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich, Germany</i>
Invited Lecture	NMR spectroscopy as a structure elucidation tool for compounds synthesised under high temperature and high pressure conditions
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch break (Conference venue)
14:00	Conference closing ceremony

Physicochemical properties of bismuth vanadate photoanode irradiated by swift heavy ions

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Photoelectrochemical (PEC) water splitting represent an up-and-coming method for solar energy capture and storage. Its efficiency primarily relies on the development of the photocatalyst for oxygen evolution reaction (OER). Monoclinic bismuth vanadate (BiVO₄, BVO) emerges as an outstanding photoanode material due to its high stability in near-neutral electrolytes, suitable band structure and cost-effectiveness. However, significant charge recombination poses a substantial limitation, emphasizing the need to comprehend contributing factors for potential enhancements. In this study, we present the results of the swift heavy ion (SHI) irradiation (Xe, 150 MeV, $1 \times 10^{10} - 5 \times 10^{11}$ ions cm⁻¹) on the physicochemical properties of hydrothermally synthesized BVO thin films. X-ray diffraction (XRD) analysis indicates that the irradiated material retains its initial monoclinic scheelite phase, displaying preferential growth along [010] direction alongside notable amorphization at the highest fluence. Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) reveals prismatic grains across all samples, averaging a size of 600 nm, with ion tracks appearing post-irradiation. A more in-depth examination of the sample irradiated with 1×10^{10} ions cm⁻² through transmission electron microscopy (TEM) unveils the presence of amorphous ion tracks (~ 10 nm in diameter) and hillocks at the BVO surface (~ 10 nm in height). Raman spectra exhibit bands corresponding to the monoclinic scheelite phase, with new bands emerging in the 5×10^{11} ion cm⁻² irradiated sample at 420 and 920 cm⁻¹, originating from amorphous BVO. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) following SHI irradiation reveals an increase in V⁴⁺ and oxygen vacancies, particularly at higher fluences. Diffuse reflectance spectroscopy (DRS) measurements indicate a decrease in the band gap with increasing fluence. Photocurrent densities, derived from 1-hour-long chronoamperometry measurements, demonstrate that irradiation with the lowest fluence leads to a gradual recovery of PEC OER over time. Subsequent XRD, SEM and XPS analyses performed after PEC indicate variety of interesting alterations in the BVO, including material dissolution along ion tracks.

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