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Research topics

In vitro anticancer and antifungal activity of natural and synthetic compounds

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- *dr Adrianna Sławińska-Brych*

Application of infrared microspectroscopy for chemical mapping at cellular and tissue levels

- *prof. dr hab. Mariusz Gagoś*

Spectroscopic and structural studies of the molecular organization of bioactive compounds in model biological systems

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Different molecular forms of plant pigments and their use in medicine (skin photoprotection, photodynamic therapy)

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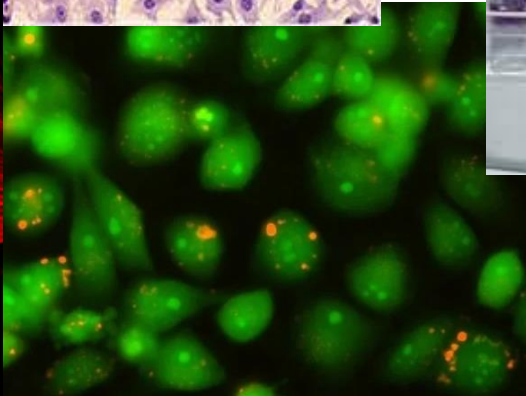
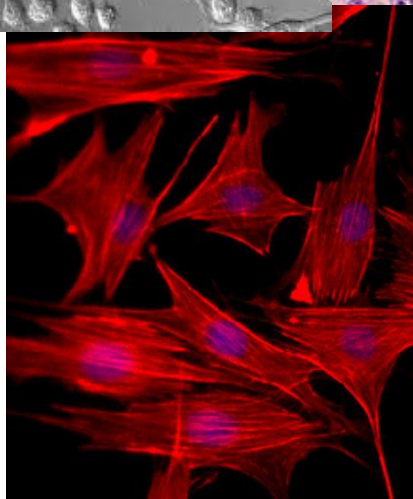
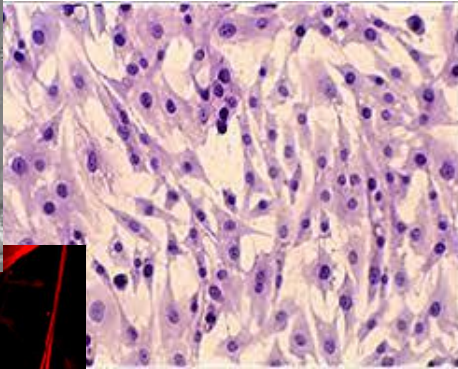
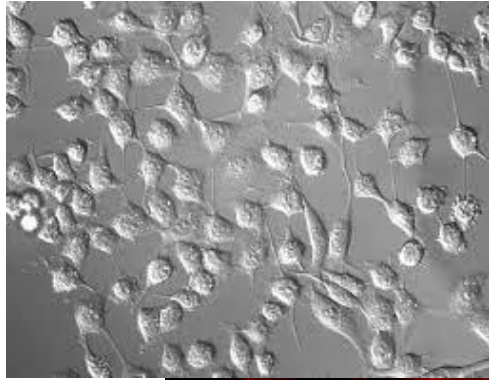
Research topics

- ◆ **Plant *in vitro* cultures: regeneration processes in higher plants**
- ◆ **Biological and biotechnological potential of plants and its applications**
- ◆ **Breaking of deep seed dormancy and disruptions of sexual reproduction of wild and commercially important plants**
- ◆ **Phenology, morphology, histology, anatomy, histogenesis, organogenesis and plant embryology, with particular reference to agriculturally and evolutionarily important species**

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RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

ANIMAL IN VITRO CULTURES



Study on the in vitro anticancer activity of natural and synthetic compounds

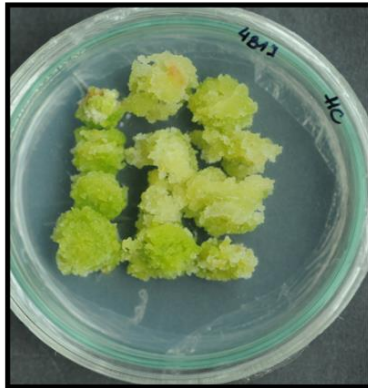
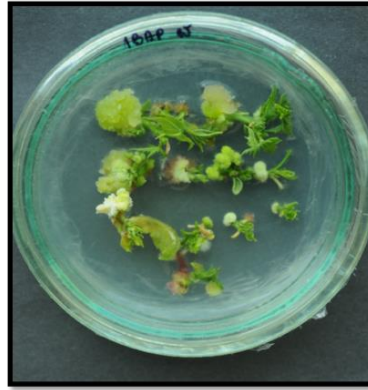


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RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

PLANT IN VITRO CULTURE



Regeneration processes in higher plants

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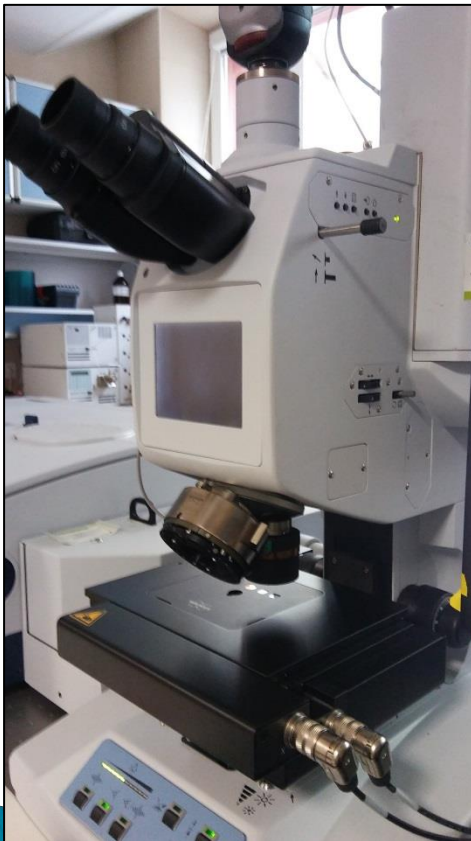
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RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

INFRARED MICROSCOPY



normal colon gland tissue

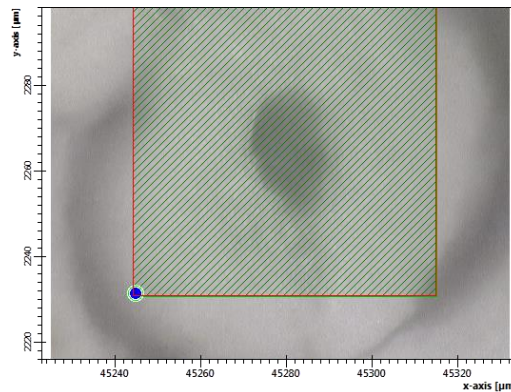
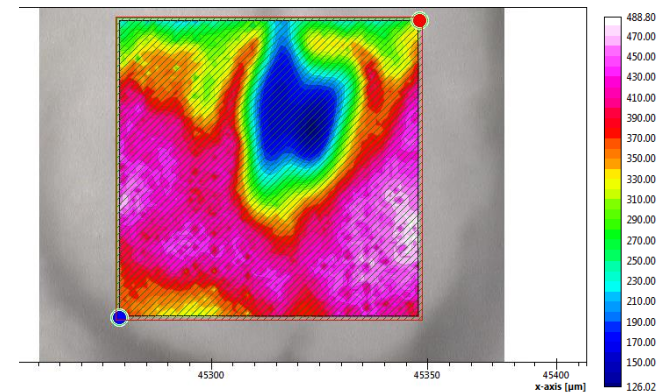


image in visible light



infrared image

IR MIKROSCOPE

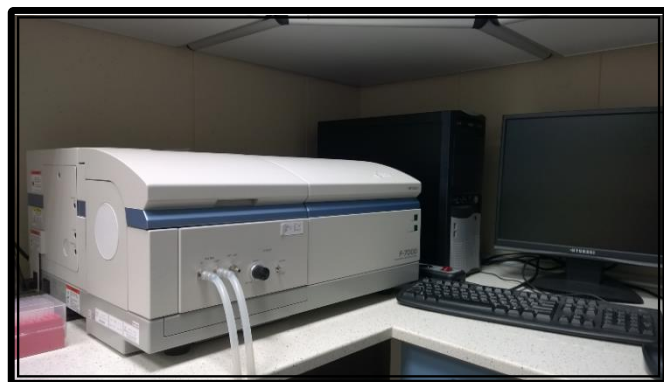
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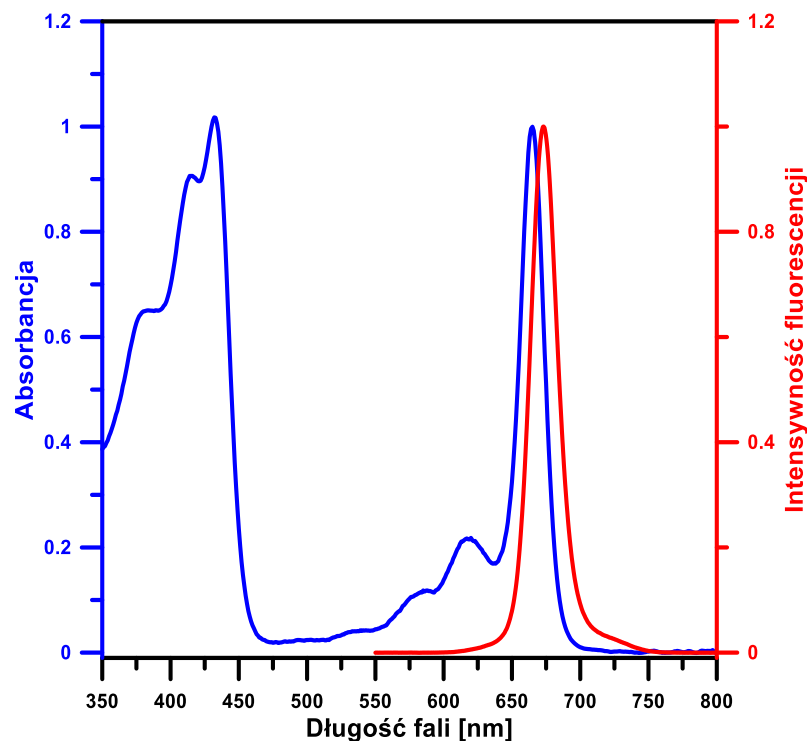
UV-VIS ABSORPTION AND FLUORESCENCE SPECTROSCOPY ELISA METHOD



**FLUORESCENCE
SPECTROPHOTOMETER**



**UV-VIS ABSORPTION
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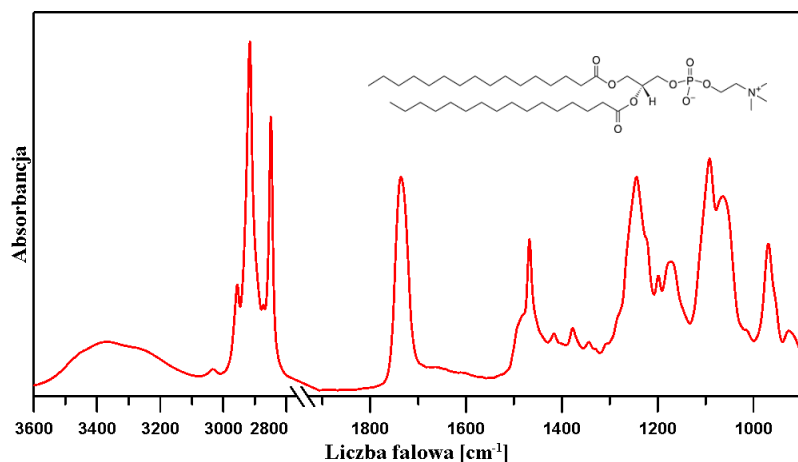
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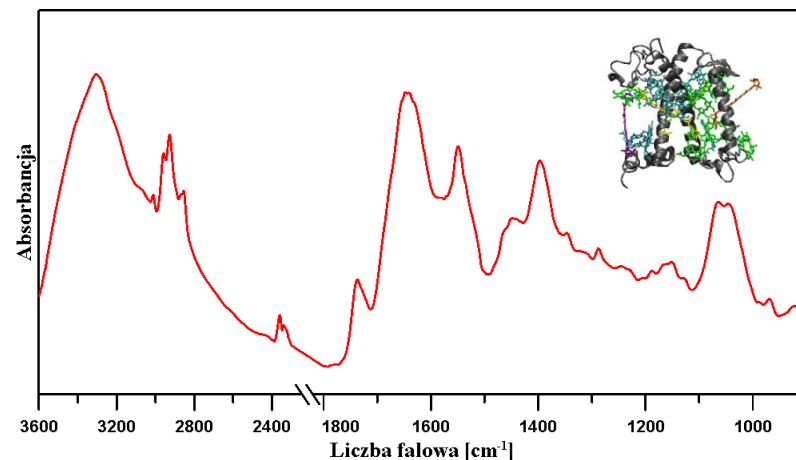
RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

FOURIER TRANSFORM INFRARED ABSORPTION SPECTROSCOPY (FTIR)

lipid DPPC



photosynthetic complex LHCII



FTIR – ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETER

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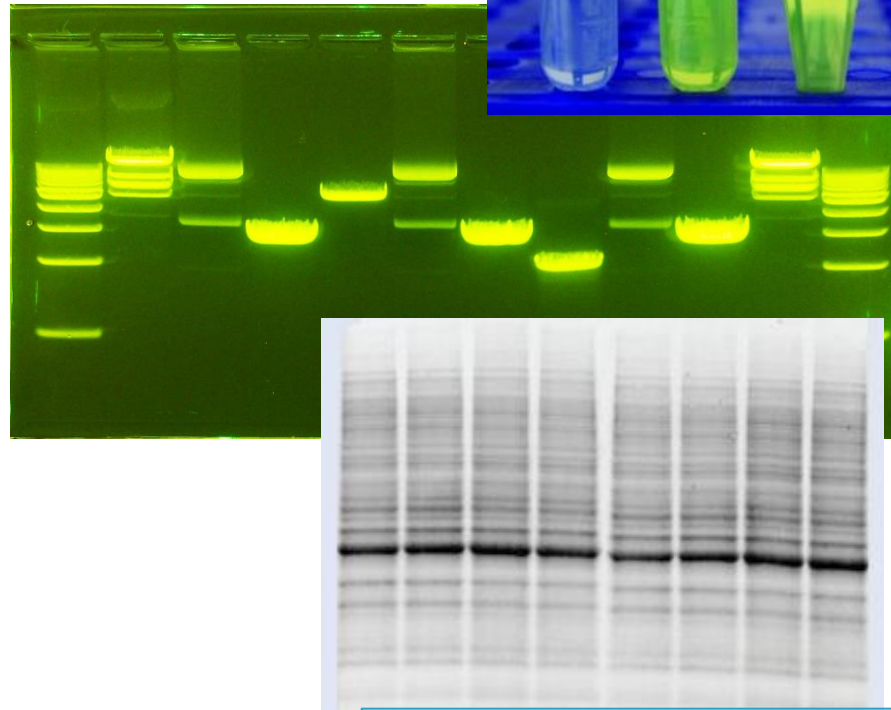
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RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

BIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES :

- analysis of the chemical composition and enzymes activity
- electrophoresis
- blotting techniques

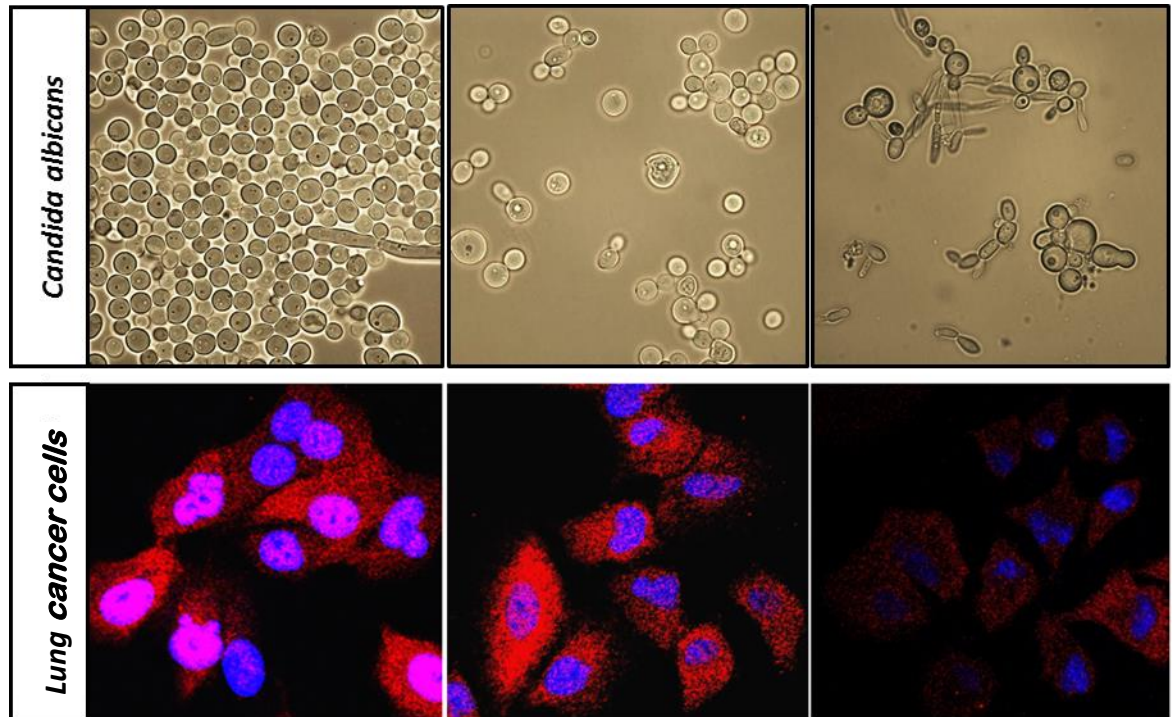


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RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

LIGHT, FLUORESCENCE MICROSCOPY AND FLOW CYTOMETRY



LIGHT/FLUORESCENCE MICROSCOPE

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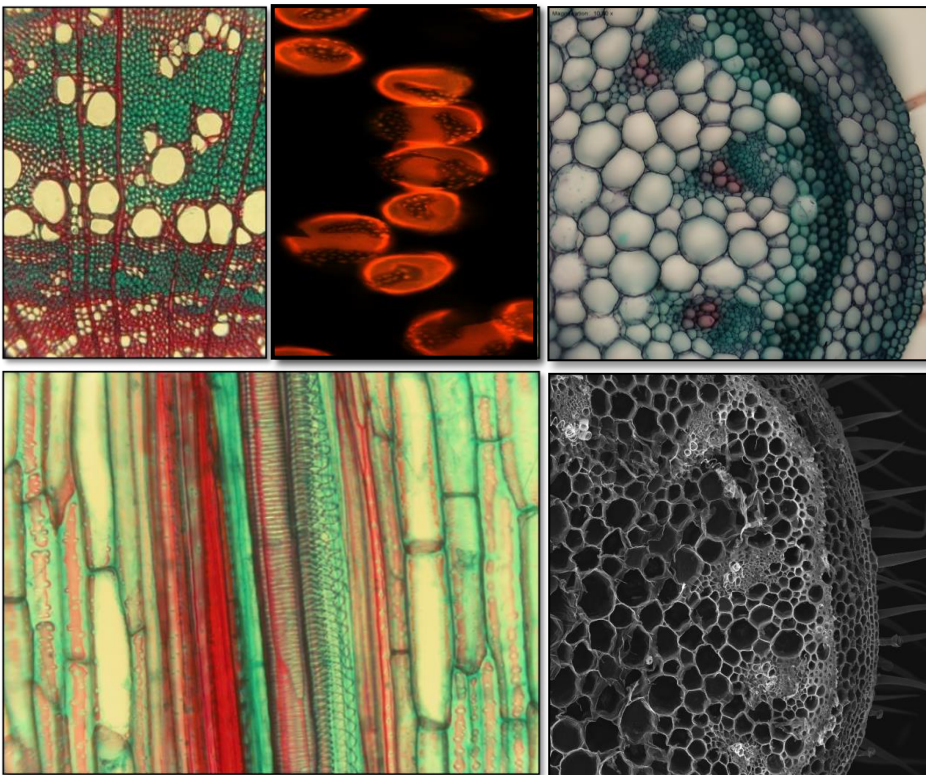
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RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

LIGHT MICROSCOPY

dark field, fluorescence, polarization, Nomarski contrast



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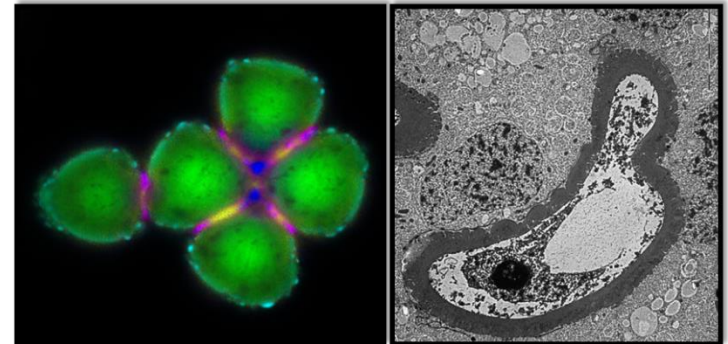
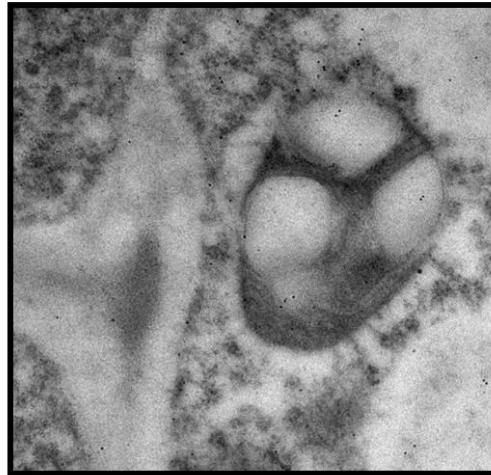
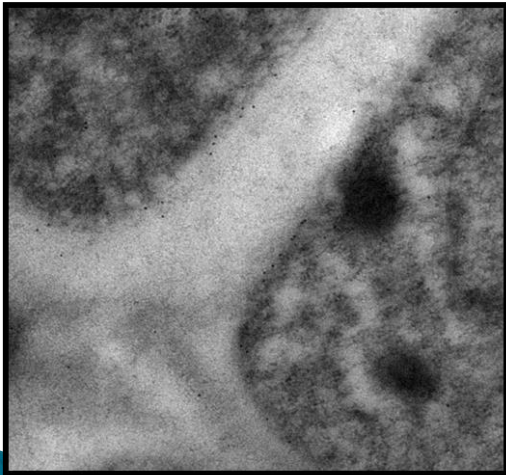
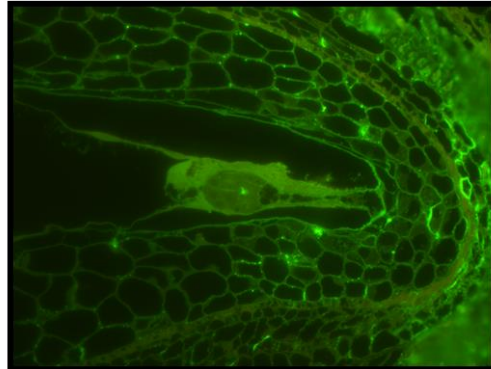
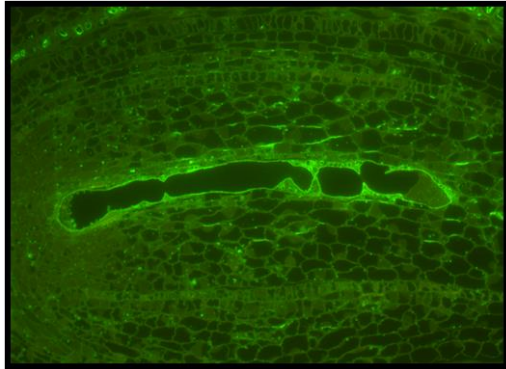
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Anatomical studies with various microscopic techniques

RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

FLUORESCENCE AND ELECTRON MICROSCOPY



Microsporogenesis in flowering plants

Immunolocalisation of proteins in the ovary sac

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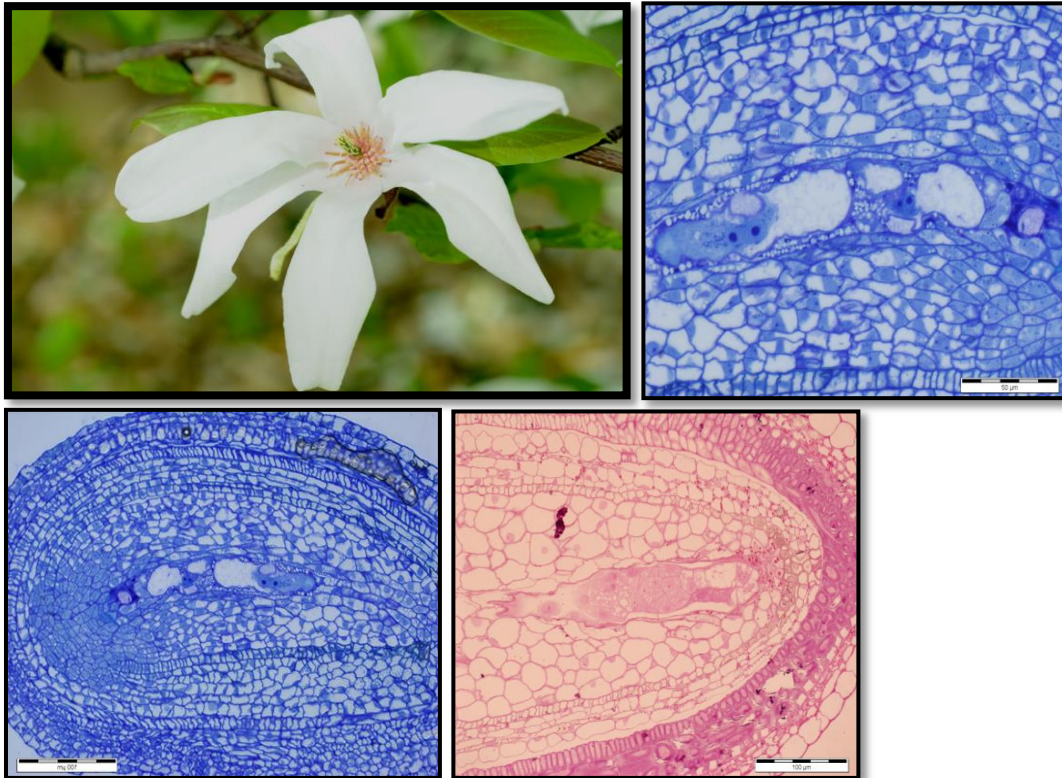
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RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

LIGHT MICROSCOPY



Megasporogenesis in flowering plants



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- Biologically active molecules of plants used in medicine. [dr hab. Ewa Janik-Zabrotowicz](#)
- Blue light. Is it safe for the eyes? [dr hab. Ewa Janik-Zabrotowicz](#)
- Programmed plant cell death. [dr hab. Krystyna Winiarczyk](#)
- Significance of generative propagation of flowering plants for plant breeding and development of new varieties.
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- Parasite plants occurring in Poland. [dr hab. Dorota Tchórzewska](#)
- Heteromorphism of stamens within dimorphic flowers. [dr hab. Dorota Tchórzewska](#)
- Plant fibres and their use. [dr hab. Ewa Szczuka](#)
- Stem structure of fibre plants. [dr hab. Ewa Szczuka](#)
- Cancer stem cells versus resistance to anti-cancer therapy. [dr Adrianna Sławińska-Brych](#)
- The influence of diet on the development of colon cancer. [dr Adrianna Sławińska-Brych](#)
- The role of adhesion proteins in the process of carcinogenesis. [dr Joanna Strubińska](#)
- Hsp70 proteins as cell defenders and therapeutic target. [dr Joanna Strubińska](#)
- Effects of phytotherapy on the treatment of human obesity. [dr Marcin Domaciuk](#)
- Use of plants in the cosmetics industry. [dr Marcin Domaciuk](#)

Example topics for master theses/research projects

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- Application of infrared absorption spectroscopy to assess the neuroprotective potential of xanthohumol. [prof. dr hab. Mariusz Gagoś](#)
- Antifungal activity of 2-methylamino-5- (2,4-dihydroxyphenyl) -1,3,4-thiadiazole (MDFT) in interaction with amphotericin B (AmB) from strains of *Candida albicans* and *Candida parapsilosis*). [prof. dr hab. Mariusz Gagoś](#)
- Photostability of chlorophyll a monomer encapsulated into drug carrier – Cremophor EL nanomicelles. [dr hab. Ewa Janik-Zabrotowicz](#)
- Interaction of 4-([1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-a]pyridine-3-yl)-6-methylbenzene-1,3-diol (TPBD) with lipid bilayer in the light of molecular spectroscopy. [dr hab. Ewa Janik-Zabrotowicz](#)
- Evaluation of the regenerative capacity of different leaf fragments of *Kalanchoe daigremontiana* to form somatic embryos.
[dr hab. Krystyna Winiarczyk](#)
- Reproductive potential of invasive plants on the example of *Bunias orientalis* L. [dr hab. Krystyna Winiarczyk](#)
- Comparison of sclerenchymatous fibres in the stem of the energetic plant *Sida hermaphrodita* (L.) Rusby with other plants' fibres.
[dr hab. Ewa Szczuka](#)
- Cuticle on plant organs. [dr hab. Ewa Szczuka](#)
- Selected plant secondary metabolites - function and biotechnological application. [dr hab. Dorota Tchórzewska](#)
- Evaluation of germination, growth and development of selected agricultural plants growing under greenhouse conditions using innovative lighting systems. [dr hab. Dorota Tchórzewska](#)
- Antineoplastic activity of xanthohumol in multiple myeloma cultures. [dr Adrianna Sławińska-Brych](#)