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Phospholipids – major component of cell membranes. Ceramides – major components of stratum corneum lipid matrix. Phospholipids and ceramides – important materials for drug and cosmetic industry.



### **Objects and methods**



Multilamelar vesicles (Liposomes) Small-angle and wide-angle powder X-ray diffraction at synchrotron source



Unilamellar vesicles Neutron small-angle scattering



Oriented multilamellar planar system on quartz substrate

Neutron diffraction

New methods developed for the characterization of the lipid nanosystems :

- Method of lamellar and lateral synchrotron X-ray diffraction in real time for the cryoprotector characterization.
- Method of neutron diffraction in real time at pulse neutron source IBR-2 for study of diffusion processes in model stratum corneum membranes.
- Method of separated form factors for characterization of vesicular nanodrugs.
- Method of contrast variation of X-ray scattering by disaccharides.

LURE %%;

## Real-time X-ray diffraction at cooling DPPC/water system at synchrotron.





Cooling with the rate of 1°C/min, acquisition - 1min/spectrum

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## Low-temperature phase transition in DPPC/DMSO/water system at X<sub>dmso</sub>=0.05. Synchrotron.





Cooling with the rate of 1°C/min, acquisition - 1min/spectrum

#### Drug penetration pathways across the skin.







DPPC membrane hydration-dehydration in real time at T=20°C

# Nanostructure alteration during hydration-dehydration as result of fourier-synthesis in real-time. T=20°C.



Н.Ю. Рябова, М.А. Киселев, А.И. Бескровный, А.М. Балагуров. Исследование структуры многослойных липидных мембран методом дифракции нейтронов в реальном времени. *Физика твердого тела,* 52 № 5 (2010) 984-991. <sup>9</sup>

# Unilamellar vesicles from phospholipid molecules

#### From point of physics it is nanospheres with liquid crystal surface

R=250Å

 $n \cong 2 \cdot 10^{14}$  vesicles/cm<sup>3</sup> for 1% DMPC (w/w) 6500 DMPC molecules in one layer for 30°C



*Neutron small-angle scattering in D<sub>2</sub>O* 

X-ray small-angle scattering in sucrose solutions

M.A. Kiselev, P. Lesieur, A.M. Kisselev, D. Lombardo, M. Killany, S. Lesieur. Sucrose solutions as prospective medium to study the vesicle structure: SAXS and SANS study. J. Alloys and Compounds 328 (2001) 71-76.





SANS pattern at 30 °C of unilamellar DMPC vesicles prepared by extrusion through 500 Å pores at DMPC concentration of 1% (w/w).



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SAXS patterns at 10 °C (circles) and 30 °C (open circles) of unilamellar DMPC vesicles in 40% aqueous trehalose solution, DMPC concentration 3%(w/w)





#### Method of Separated Form Factors (SFF)

$$\frac{d\Sigma}{d\Omega_{mon}}(q) = n \cdot A^2(q) \cdot S(q) + IB \qquad A_{ves}(q) + IB \qquad A_{ves}(q) + IB$$

 $\rho_c(x) = \rho(x) - \rho_{D20}$  is contrast, the difference between scattering length densities of the bilayer  $\rho(x)$ and the heavy water  $\rho_{D20}$ .

$$\frac{d\Sigma}{d\Omega_{mon}}(q) = n \cdot F_s(q, R) \cdot F_b(q, d) \cdot S(q) + IB$$

$$A_{ves}(q) = 4\pi \cdot \frac{R^2}{qR} \cdot \sin(qR) \cdot \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} \rho_c(x) \cdot \cos(qx) \cdot dx$$
  
+  $4\pi \cdot \frac{R}{qR} \cdot \cos(qR) \cdot \int_{-d/2}^{d/2} \rho_c(x) \cdot x \cdot \sin(qx) \cdot dx$   
$$F_s(q, R) = \left(4\pi \cdot \frac{R^2}{qR} \cdot Sin(qR)\right)^2$$
  
+  $IB$ 

$$F_b(q,d) = \left(\int_{-d/2}^{d/2} \rho_c(x) \cdot Cos(qx) \cdot dx\right)^2$$

For the case of 
$$\rho(\mathbf{x})$$
=Const  $F_b(q,d) = \left(\frac{2\Delta\rho}{q} \cdot Sin\left(\frac{qd}{2}\right)\right)^2$ 

M.A. Kiselev, P. Lesieur, A.M. Kisselev, D. Lombardo, V.L. Aksenov. Model of separated form factors for unilamellar vesicles. J. Applied Physics A 74 (2002) S1654-S1656

Results for liquid phase at 30°C, HH approximation of  $\rho(x)$ 

Model	$D_F$ , Å	< <i>R</i> >, Å	σ, %	<i>d</i> , Å	D, Å	$N_w$	$A, Å^2$	<i>IB</i> , cm <sup>-1</sup>
SFF	500	275.6 0.5	27	47.8 0.2	20.5 0.3	11.9±0.3	61.0±0.4	0.007
Full	500	275.7 0.4	27	47.8 0.2	20.5 0.3	11.9±0.3	61.0±0.4	0.007
SFF	1000	500*	48	45.5 0.6	20.8 0.4	10.8 0.4	62.6 1.0	0.007



Multilamellar (small curved) vesicles d = 44.2 Å $A=59.6 \text{ Å}^2$ J.Nagle, S. Tristram-Nagle. Structure of lipid bilayers. BBA 1469 (2000) 159-195

M.A. Kiselev, E.V. Zemlyanaya, V.K. Aswal, R.H.H. Neubert. What can we learn about the lipid vesicle structure from the small angle neutron scattering experiment? *European Biophysics J*. 35 (2006) 477-493.



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**Practical applications** 







# Phospholipid transport nanosystems (FTNS)



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SAXS patterns. DMPC vesicles in 40% sucrose buffer – red line (LURE, France). 25% solution of FTNS in water – blue line (DIKSI, Sibirea-2, Moscow). Black line -1/q<sup>2</sup> law.



# Formation of the low-polydispersity vesicles in the DMPC/sodium cholate system at the rate 100°C/min.

Synchrotron study.



P. Lesieur, M.A. Kiselev, L.I. Barsukov, D. Lombardo. Temperature induced micelle to vesicle transition: kinetic effects in the DMPC / NaC system. *J. Appl. Cryst.* 33 (2000) 623-627.

Membrane self-assembly in the mixed DMPC/ sodium cholate system induced by the temperature-jump. Synchrotron.



New X -ray sources are required !!!

### Conclusions. Possibilities to study in future:

- Drug diffusion through model SC membranes.
- Nanostructure of the magnetovesicles.
- Elastic properties of the transdermal drug delivery vesicles and magnetovesicles.
- Effectiveness of the cryoprotectors applied for bacteria storage.

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