

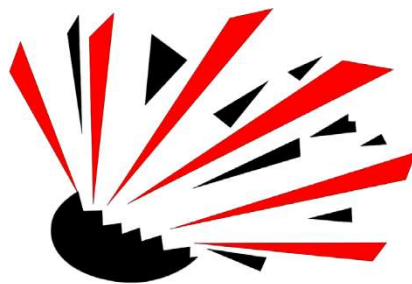
**UNIVERSITY OF PARDUBICE**

Faculty of Chemical Technology, Institute of Energetic Materials

**PROGRAM**

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**NEW TRENDS IN RESEARCH  
OF ENERGETIC MATERIALS**



**NTREM 2025**

Pardubice, Czech Republic, April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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“NEW TRENDS IN RESEARCH OF ENERGETIC MATERIALS”

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NTREM is an international meeting of students and early career researchers who are involved in the fundamental understanding, development, technology, industry or application of energetic materials. The seminar enables the presentation of research and allows feedback and interaction with senior, well established experts in the field. In addition, participants will meet and form networks enabling them to communicate amongst each other. It is expected that the seminar will help career progression. The Seminar is intended to provide a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere where exchange of professional experiences goes along with building of strong personal relations among young specialists working in the field of EM.

Papers should not only describe research work itself, but should also demonstrate awareness of the context and background for the research.

The seminar is organized by staff members of the Institute of Energetic Materials University of Pardubice and in accordance with the tradition of previous meetings will take place at the University Hall.

The official language of the seminar is English and all contributions shall be presented and written exclusively in the English language.

**Registration fee:** 200 € paid on spot.

**Registration:** registration of participants will take place at the University Hall:

April 1 <sup>th</sup>	16:00 - 18:00	with welcome snack at the University Hall
April 4 <sup>th</sup>	07:30 - 09:00	

**Proceedings** of the presented contributions will be prepared by the organizers of the seminar by the date of its opening; price of the proceedings will be 3500 CZK (i. e. ~180 \$, 140 €) printed version and 500 CZK (i. e. ~25 \$, 20 €) CD version – the prices are valid at the time of the seminar. The USB with Proceedings will be provided to the main authors and participants of the seminar free of charge.

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**Affiliated activities:**

The first meeting of the scientific committee will be held on Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 at 18:00 in the “Garden Restaurant”, the second one on Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 at 16:00 at the University Hall.

A friendly get-together for NTREM participants will take place on Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 at 19:30 – 22:00, in the House of Technology, Pardubice (see the last page for map).

## LECTURE PROGRAM OF THE 27<sup>th</sup> NTREM – WEDNESDAY APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 07:30 - 09:00**      **REGISTRATION**
- 8:20**                **SEMINAR OPENING BY SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE**
- 8:30**                **ORGANIZATION REMARKS**

### 1. Session

Chairman:            Prof. Thomas Klapötke  
                              *Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Germany*

#### MEETING OF SPEAKERS WITH CHAIRMAN

- 08:40**    A synthetic route to 3,5-dinitropyridine analogs and evaluation of their thermal properties  
*Leidy Hooker* *p.*
- 09:00**    Investigations on energetic nitro substituted cubanes  
*Andreas Bartonek* *p.*
- 09:20**    Energetic polymers derived from oxetanes  
*Natasha H. Boulton* *p.*
- 09:40**    Triazol polymer, first step for a self-healing PBX  
*Frederick Lacemon*
- 10:00**    Synthesis and evaluation of novel TATB-inspired energetic materials  
*Meghan C. Benda*

#### 10:20 - 10:40      COFFEE BREAK

- 10:40**    Reinvestigation of alkali and alkaline earth metal styphnate salts as components for priming compositions  
*Shouei Yiu* *p.*
- 11:00**    Novel explosive method for the synthesis of silver nanoparticles  
*Jan Maurycy Uszko* *p.*
- 11:20**    Mitigating Environmental Impact of TNT Production: Strategies for Red Water Reduction and Treatment  
*Lukas Bauer* *p.*
- 11:40**    Isocyanate-free energetic polymer binders  
*Thomas Bugnand* *p.*

#### 12:00 – 14:00      LUNCH BREAK

## 2. Session

Chairman: Prof. Michael Gozin  
*University of Tel Aviv, Israel*

**14:00** PETN under pressure *p.*  
*Heather M. Quayle*

**14:20** Optimization of fiber optic probe for measuring detonation velocity *p.*  
*Stepan Jirman*

**14:40** Towards purifying polyvinyl nitrate *p.*  
*Stephen Spice*

**15:00** Long term decomposition and crystallisation kinetics of ADN under some  
crystallographic aspects *p.*  
*Peter Schultz*

**15:20 – 15:40** COFFEE BREAK

**15:40** Research on material model and parameters of metal thin plate under close-in explosion *p.*  
load  
*Xing-long Li*

**16:00** Energy output of HMX-based aluminized explosives with varying aluminum (Al) and *p.*  
polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) ratios  
*Wei Cao*

**16:20** LLM-105: achieving different morphologies for different properties *p.*  
*Eric Pasquinet*

**16:40** POSTER SESSION INTRODUCTION  
2 min each poster presenter

### 3. Session

Chairman: Dr. Ruth Doherty  
*Energetics Technology Center, Indian Head, Maryland, USA*

#### MEETING OF SPEAKERS WITH CHAIRMAN

- 08:40** Aluminized highly energetic materials simulation under partial chemical equilibrium assumption with HEMSim  
*Yuri Caridi* *p.*
- 09:00** Exploring complex potential energy landscapes of computationally modelled ballistic modifiers  
*Harvey J. Newman* *p.*
- 09:20** Thermal Isolation Modeling of Aluminized Energetic Materials for Low-Cost Computational Code  
*Andrea Cucuzzella* *p.*
- 09:40** An improved statistical analysis of 72 sensitivity datasets  
*Dennis Christensen* *p.*
- 10:00** Comparing thermal and chemical analysis of aged and unaged NC-based propellants  
*Reinier de Vries*

**10:20 – 10:40** COFFEE BREAK

**10:40** 2 MINUTES ORAL POSTER INTRODUCTION (2-3 SLIDES PRESENTATION)

**11:40** GROUP PHOTOGRAPHY

**12:00 – 14:00** LUNCH BREAK

## Poster Session

Chairman: Assoc. Prof. Jiri Pachman  
IEM, FCT University of Pardubice, CR

<b>P1</b>	Studies on inert surrogate for pressable plastic bonded explosives <b>Ö. Güneş Ekim</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P2</b>	Catalyst screening for reaction of HTPB and IPDI in PBX formulations <b>M. Erdurucan</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P3</b>	Synthesis and characterisation of the novel energet <b>B. Westwater</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P4</b>	Molecular simulation of reaction mechanisms and transition states <b>A. Omlor</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P5</b>	Enhancing the rheological and processing properties of PBX explosives containing boron through surface modifications and compatibilization with the binder <b>D. Bajić</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P6</b>	Study on the influence of material properties and explosive quantities on the formation of Explosively Formed Projectiles (EFP) <b>I. Păcurar</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P7</b>	Measuring powder flow parameters of inert simulants for 3D printing explosives <b>R. Al-Dhaheer</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P8</b>	The synthesis and characterization of energetic materials containing both a tetrazole and a strained ring moiety <b>J. Zuckerman</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P9</b>	Microwave synthesis of triethylene glycol diazide (TEGDA): Advanced approaches and characterization <b>J. T. Lechner</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P10</b>	Numerical and experimental analysis of Semtex 1A blast wave parameters <b>R. Fosse</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P11</b>	Investigating the effect of graphene / graphene oxide on the crystallization and polymorphic stability of ammonium nitrate <b>F. Alhosani</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P12</b>	Calorimetric bomb test as a method for the selection of optimal boron powder for pyrotechnic applications <b>M. Krstović</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P13</b>	The danger related to the use of ammunition and explosives <b>J. Rečko</b>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P14</b>	Comparative analysis of the ESD sensitivity of B/KNO <sub>3</sub> and B <sub>4</sub> C/KNO <sub>3</sub> pyrotechnic compositions <b>P. Hřebíčková</b>	<i>p.</i>



P15	Synthesis and characterization of novel transition metal coordination compounds of 5-(3,5-dinitro-1H-pyrazol-4-yl)-1H-tetrazole <i>W. J. Greenwood</i>	p.
P16	Hazard evaluation of nitrocellulose synthesized from okara (soy bean-curd refuse) as a raw material <i>K. Aritomi</i>	p.
P17	The desulfurization of high nitrogen heterocycles <i>J. Zuckerman</i>	p.
P18	Surface structures of HMX crystals investigated by means of confocal and atomic force microscopy <i>M. Herrmann</i>	p.
P19	Synthesis and characterization of 1-hydroxy-5-methyltetrazole and its energetic salts <i>L. J. Eberhardt</i>	p.
P20	Characterizing the decomposition and hydrate stability of sodium 5,5'-azotetrazolate <i>J. Mikuláščík</i>	p.
P21	Effect of copper tube quality on the cylinder expansion test results <i>M. Künzel</i>	p.
P22	OPTIMEX: Optimization of a simple plane wave generator <i>M. Künzel</i>	p.
P23	Synthesis and evaluation of HEDOs in propellant formulations <i>R. Dobson</i>	p.
P24	Research on TNT equivalence of different PBX with aluminium and magnesium <i>J. Bogdanov</i>	p.
P25	Thermal characterization of CHNO-oxidizer TNEF <i>M. A. Bohn</i>	p.
P26	Strategies for treating explosives-contaminated wastewater: addressing the environmental and health challenges of yellow, pink and especially red water <i>J. Heidrich</i>	p.
P27	LOVA propellants based on RDX and GAP energetic plasticizers - Part 2 <i>D. Holeoleo</i>	p.
P28	Selective synthesis of energetic acrylates using microreaction technology <i>H. Wegner</i>	p.
P29	Thermal decomposition behavior of nitrocellulose in the presence of nitric acid solution <i>D. Kinjo</i>	p.
P30	Comparative analysis and charge modeling using additive manufacturing in explosive breaching <i>M. Sedláček</i>	p.

<b>P31</b>	Numerical study regarding the functioning of solid rocket motor using 3d printed grain <i>A. M. Braic</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P32</b>	High-speed visualization and piezosensor monitoring of shocktube reaction propagation <i>M. Kreisl</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P33</b>	Replacement of RDX by TKX-50 in a plastic bonded explosive based on Viton A <i>A. A. Helmy</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P34</b>	Study on performance and safety characteristics of multilayer composite propellants <i>I. Dan</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P35</b>	Effects of the explosion-generated plasma on the ammunition shell <i>Z. Bajić</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P36</b>	Measurement of a single fragment's velocity by using a controlled fragmentation method <i>M. Tagawa</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P37</b>	Effect of 3D printed shaped charge liner on the effectiveness of shaped charges <i>M. Bilina</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P38</b>	New smoke formulations based on copper (II) phthalocyanine <i>A. Schweiger</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P39</b>	Rocket motor insulation – different fillers and their effect on rheological behavior and internal structure <i>D. Fromm</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P40</b>	Lead oxide(II, IV) replacement in gasless pyrotechnic time delay compositions <i>M. Gerlich</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>P41</b>	IEM research labs at the start to safety 2.0 <i>M. Vitik</i>	<i>p.</i>
<b>16:30</b>	<b>SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE MEETING AT LECTURE HALL</b>	
<b>18:30</b>	<b>SOCIAL EVENT - BANQUET AT HOUSE OF TECHNOLOGY</b>	

## LECTURE PROGRAM OF THE 27<sup>th</sup> NTREM – FRIDAY APRIL 4<sup>th</sup>

### 4. Session

Chairman: Prof. Adam Cumming  
(University of Edinburgh, UK)

#### MEETING OF SPEAKERS WITH CHAIRMAN

**08:50** Modelling complex ageing behavior of tensile modulus in CTPB-bonded propellant – parametric and kinetically based procedures  
*Manfred Bohn* *p.*

**09:20** New green solvents for high dissolution and the mechanism of strongly hydrogen-bonded explosives  
*Jianbo Chen* *p.*

**09:40** Construction of a composite surface coating layer with high efficiency on desensitization of HMX  
*Shuyi Duan* *p.*

**10:00** Synthesis and characterisation of the energetic plasticiser Bu-AENA  
*Stefan Ek* *p.*

**10:20 – 10:40** COFFEE BREAK

**10:40** An overview of vibration effects on energetic materials  
*Maurício Ferrapontoff Lemos* *p.*

**11:00** Some issues of hydroxyl derivatives of ferrocene as burning rate modifiers of composite propellants  
*Tomasz Salaciński* *p.*

**11:20** BKNO<sub>3</sub> pyrotechnic igniters for SRM: analysis of performance dispersion from development to production  
*Barbara Betti* *p.*

**12:00** PRIZE AWARDS & CLOSING THE SEMINAR



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