

# ULTRAFAST BEAMS AND APPLICATIONS-2019

## Ultrafast beam effects on some E.coli strains

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# ***Modeling of certain problems of space biology in Earth conditions***

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**MAIN INCLUDES TOPICS ARE  
RADIOBIOLOGY AND CRYOBYOLOGY**

**TODAY: PRESENTATION OF SOME RESULTS IN RADIOBIOLOGY**

# CONTENT OF INVESTIGATIONS

- **STUDY OF SOME *E.coli* STRAINS BEHAVIOR UNDER AREAL BEAMS IRRADIATION (SURVIVAL CURVES)**
- **COMPARISON OF SURVIVAL CURVES FOR *E.coli* STRAINS RECEIVED ON ULTRAFAST AREAL BEAMS WITH THE CURVES RECEIVED BY US EARLIER ON MICROTRON 7.5 MeV (YERPHI)**
- **INVESTIGATION OF THE DEPENDENCE OF STRAINS SURVIVAL ON BEAM FREQUENCY**
- **SURVIVAL CURVES FOR THE SAME STRAINS IRRADIATED IN DEEP FREEZE CONDITIONS**
- **INVESTIGATIONS WITH OTHER CULTURES**
- **THE USE OF CARRIERS FOR IMMOBILIZATION AND STUDY THE SURVIVING OF MICROBS IN THE SAME CONDITIONS**

*Current objects are:*

*Wild type E. coli K-12 AB-1157*

*Radiosensitive AB-2463*

*Radioresistant BL-1114 (Gam<sup>r</sup>-444)*

*Pseudomonas putida*

*Pseudomonas sp. A-27*

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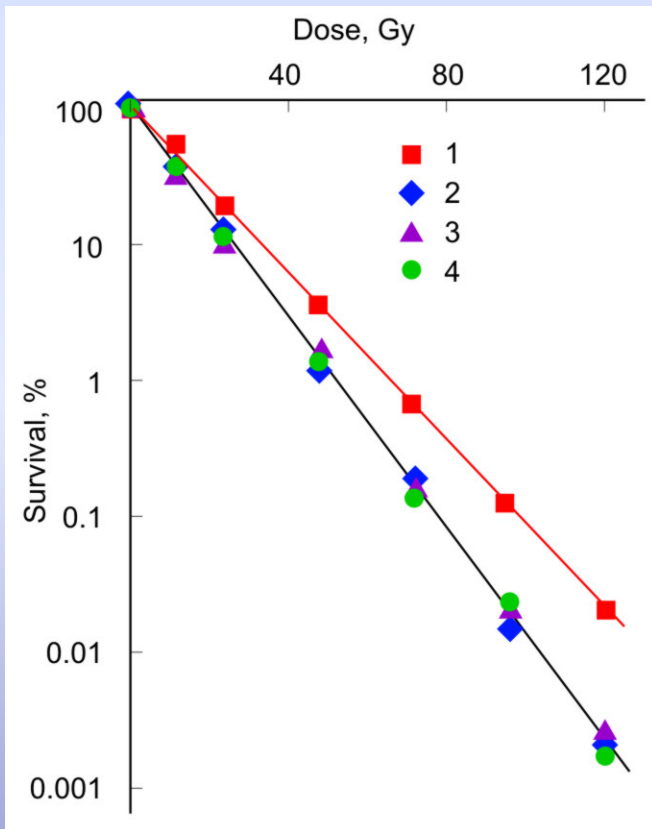
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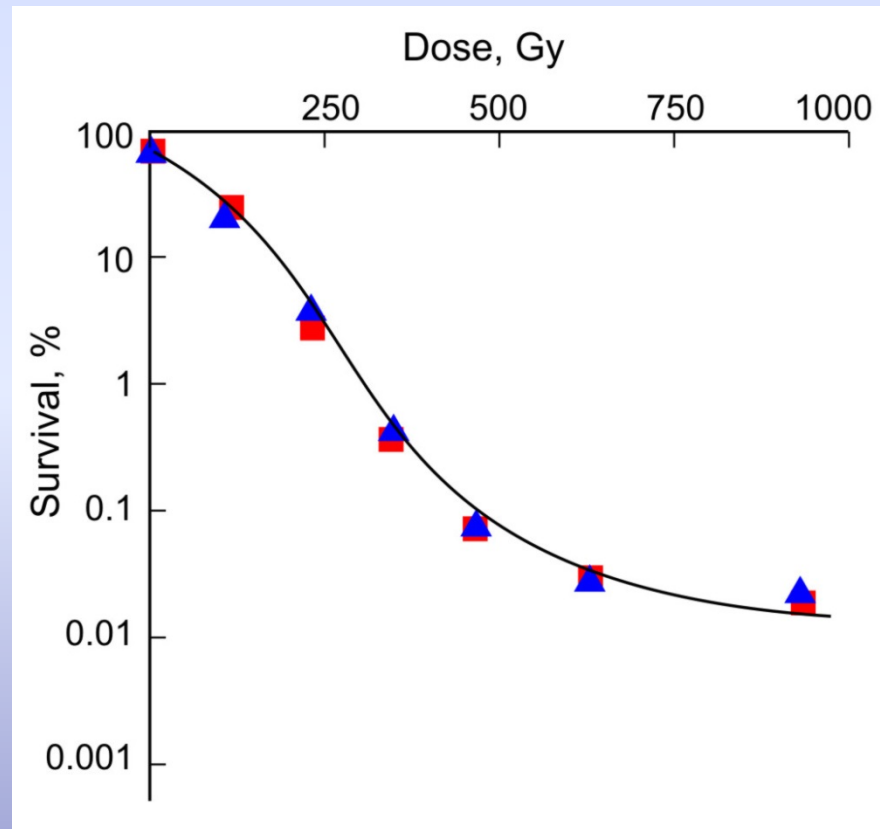
*preliminary agreement for collaboration*

# The samples of dose-effect curves for different kinds of bacteria

Irradiation was performed earlier by our group on RUM-17 (x-ray, continuous beam)



Radiosensitive cells of bacteria *P. fluorescens*

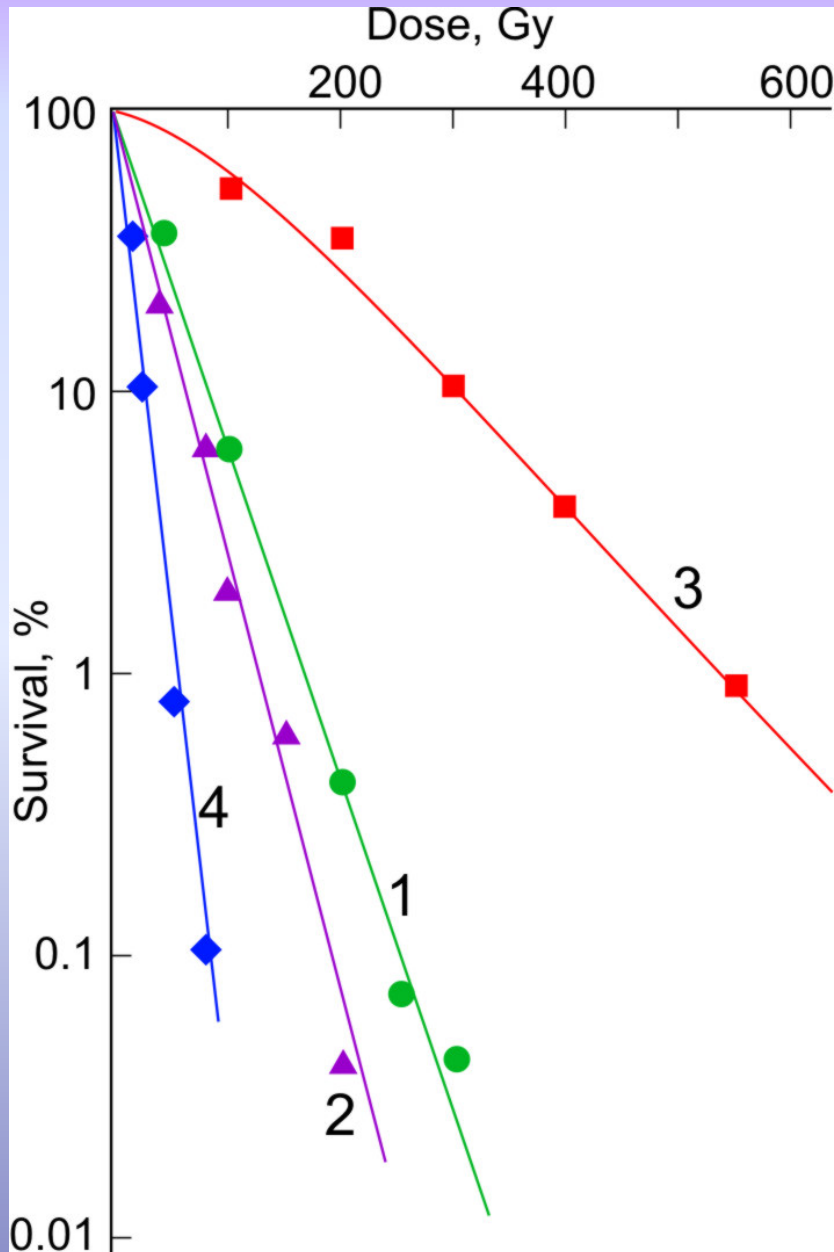


Radioresistant cells of bacteria *Bacillus subtilis*  
Sporulating bacterium

# Microtron (YerPhI):

Beam energy: 7.5 MeV

Pulse Duration: > 50ps



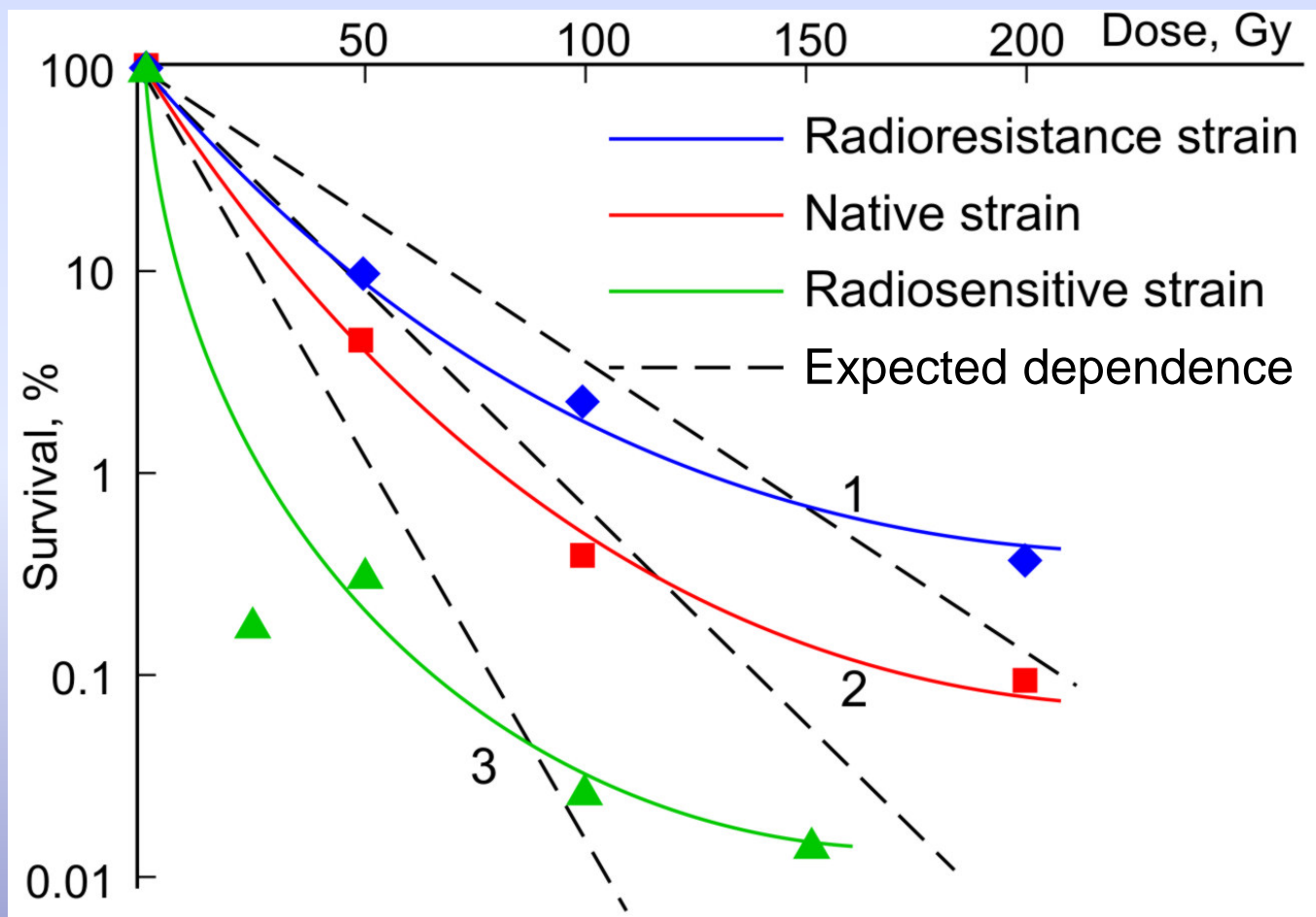
Survival curves of *E. coli* K-12 different strains irradiated with electrons of 7.5 MeV:

1. Strain *AB-1157* in usual conditions,
2. Strain *AB-1157* - 2 hours preliminary exposed in physiological saline,
3. Radioresistant strain *BL-1114*,
4. Radiosensitive strain *AB-2463*.

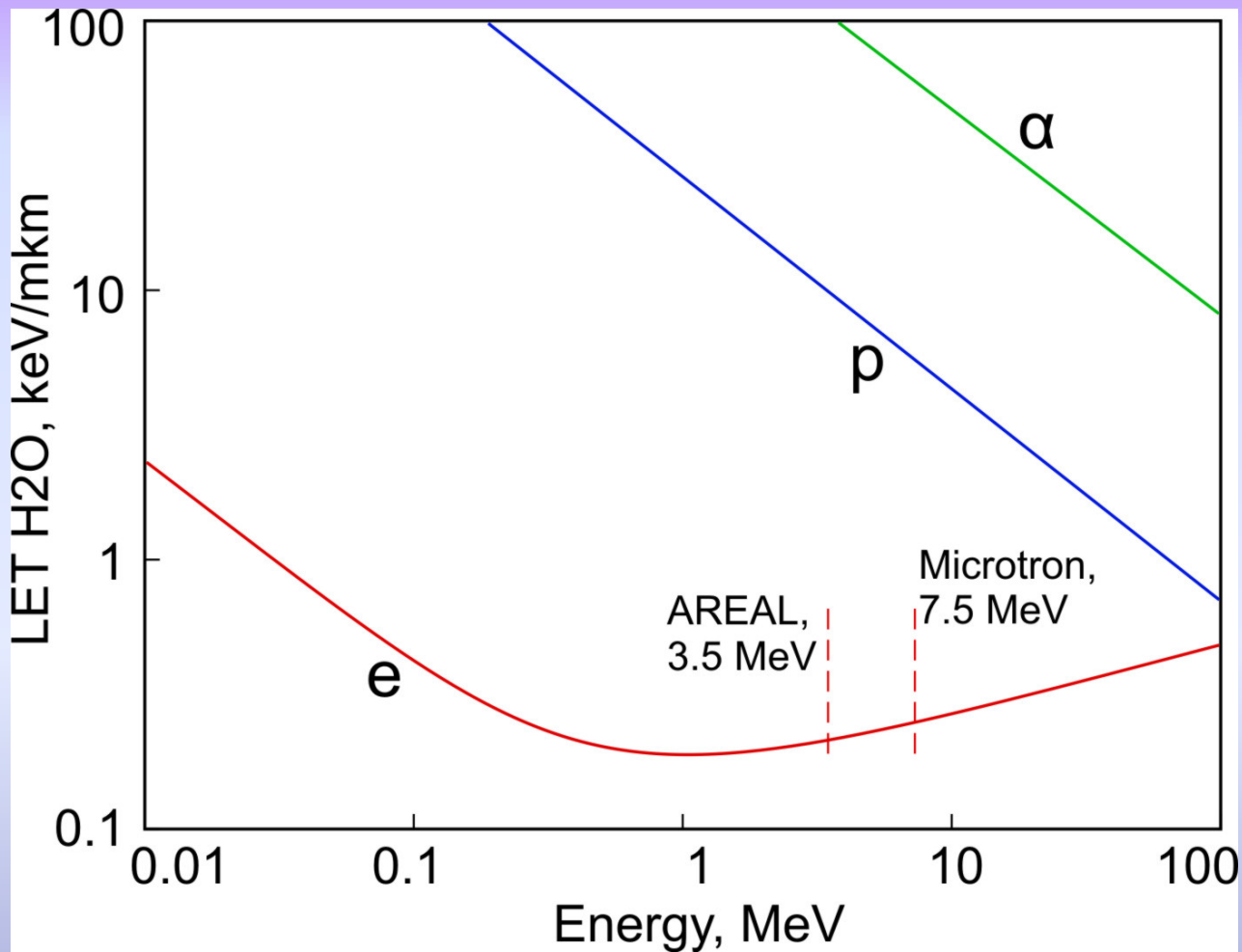
# PRELIMINARY DATA RECEIVED ON AREAL

Beam energy: 3.5 MeV

Pulse Duration: 400 fs



Survival curves for *E. coli* strains with different radiosensitivity - concaved curves



**Dependence of Linear Energy Transfer (LET) from Energy for different particles in water.**

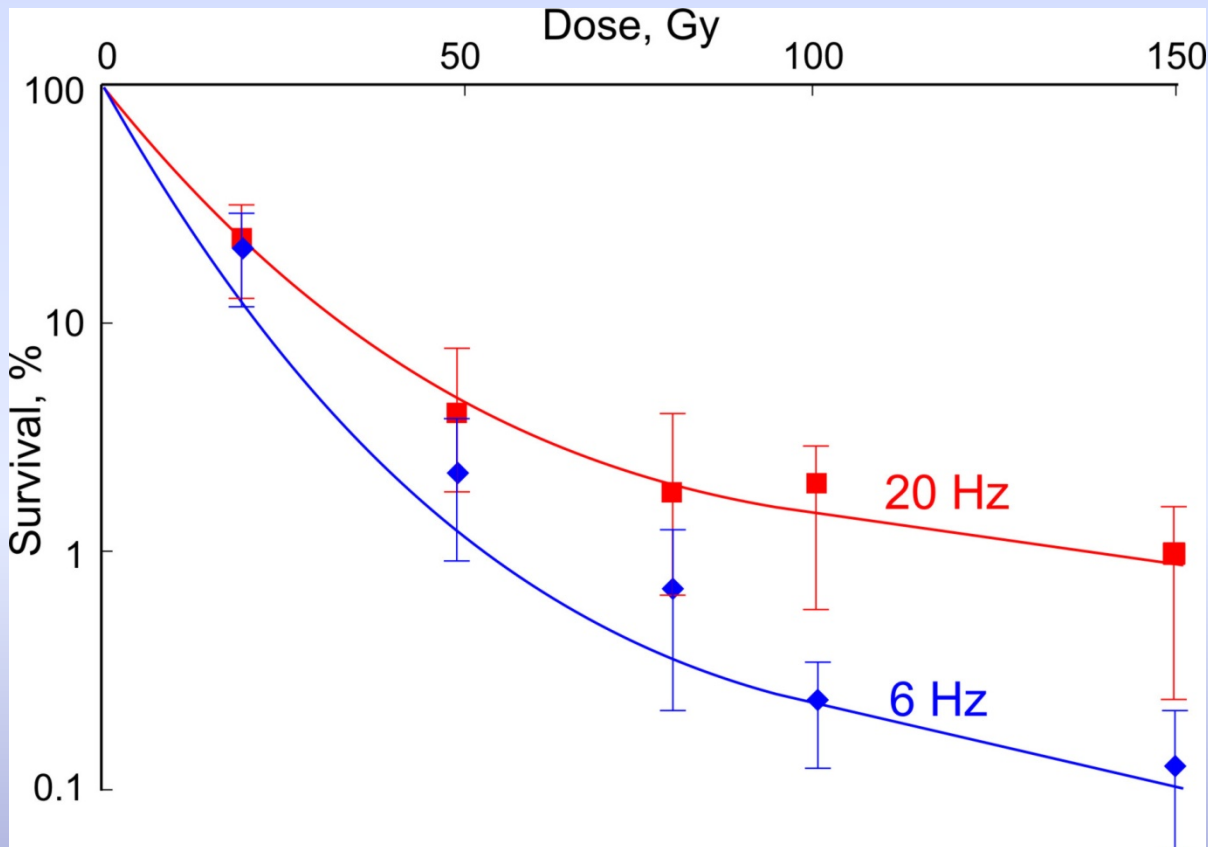
**The quality factor for both electron beams equals to 1.**



# AREAL

Beam energy: 3.5 MeV

Pulse Duration: 400 fs



Bunch frequency influence on survival of the *E.coli* K-12 AB-1157 strain

In the range of high doses the difference is one order!

*WHAT DOES THIS MEAN??*

**THE ONLY IDEA THAT COMES TO  
MIND**

***SOMETHING LIKE PETKAU EFFECT???***

**WE OFFER TO BE LIMITED WITH THIS DEFINITION**

*A prolonged dose of chronic radiation may have a stronger effect than the same dose obtained with a short-term radiation exposure of greater dose rate.*

# PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS

- **Essential difference is between survival curves received under long and ultrashort pulses.**
- **Non-linear survival curve is observed for ultrashort beam.**
- **A pronounced effect is observed with ultrashort pulses: a strong dependence of the survival rate of the strains on the beam frequency at the same given doses.**
- **Further study needs to be performed for more high and lowest beam frequencies, and for larger doses of irradiation.**

*Perspectives for collaboration*

*Expected object*

- ***Deinococcus radiodurans***

*Jointly with SPINPh (prof. Verbenko  
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# OUR TEAM



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