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održat će u četvrtak 23. listopada u predavaonici A1 (prizemlje zgrade Kemije, Horvatovac 102a) s početkom u 15:00 sati kolokvij pod naslovom:

## Healing Bones, Defeating Bacteria: The Science Behind Metal-Doped Hydroxyapatite

Certain bacterial species are a persistent issue in hospital-acquired infections due to their fast and potent development of multi-drug resistance. To address this urgent challenge, this study aimed to evaluate the antibacterial activity of mono-doped hydroxyapatite (HAp), incorporating potentially antibacterial ions (Sr<sup>2+</sup>, Zn<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, SeO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>, Ag<sup>+</sup>, Ce<sup>3+</sup>, Cu<sup>2+</sup>, Ga<sup>3+</sup> and Mn<sup>2+</sup>), against *Escherichia coli*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. All materials were non-cytotoxic to cells, except for Cu-doped HAp. HAp doped with Ag<sup>+</sup> showed significant antibacterial activity against all tested bacteria. Ce-doped HAp showed no antibacterial effect, while Ga-, Se-, Zn-, Mg-, Se- and Mn-doping indicated potential antibacterial properties towards certain bacterial strains by inhibiting bacterial attachment and survival. The Gram-negative bacteria attached to the HAp surface in a lesser amount then the Gram-positive ones. The antibacterial activity of Ag-doped HAp toward *A. baumannii* was time-dependent and should be considered in potential applications.