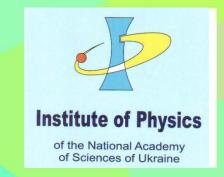
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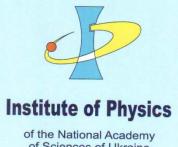
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# Overcoming the Vitamin D deficiency

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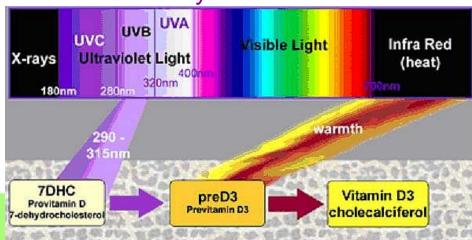


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## **PROBLEM**

Epidemiologic studies indicate high incidence of vitamin D deficiency in almost all populations in the world

Vitamin D synthesis in skin



## VITAMIN D DEFICIENCY RELATED DISEASES

Cancer

Prostate, breast, colon cancer (prevention) Leukemia(s) (treatment)

Rickets, Osteomalacia, Osteoporosis

Increased prevalence of infection e.g. tuberculosis

Increased autoimmune diseases; e.g. type 1 diabetes, multiple sclerosis, inflammatory bowel disease, psoriasis Impaired glucose tolerance and type-II diabetes

High renin hypertension, increased cardiovascular risk factor, increased thrombogenesis

> Muscle myopathy; increased falls

Vitamin D deficiency in utero alters adult behavior

Further Information Exp. Biol. Med. 235:1034-1045 (2010) Amer, J. Clin. Nutrition 88:491S-499S (2008)





# Project idea / Company expertise



In situ monitoring of the Vitamin-D Synthetic Capacity of Sunlight using Bio-equivalent Ultraviolet Dosimeter

Previous Projects

1996-1998 DG XII/CEC Project "BIODOS" 2002-2005 STCU Project Gr-50(j), Collaborator - NOAA/ARL, USA 2007-2010 STCU Project P344, Partner – LLNL, USA

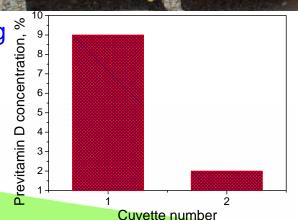
(2<sup>nd</sup> Call "BLACK SEA BASIN 2007-2013")
Unrealized project 'AQUAVITAD'

Title: Novel Technology for Assessing Risks of Oil-Spills Pollution by Monitoring the Capacity of vitamin D synthesis in aquatic ecosystems

About 100 Publications, 4 Patents

Water pollution by oil spills inhibits vitamin D synthesis!

Original UV biodosimeter is based
on the same photoreaction *in vitro* by
which vitamin D is
synthesized in
plancton





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## Topic(s)



#### **ENVIRONMENT-SMART AND CLIMATE-SMART PRIMARY PRODUCTION**

SFS-32-2017: Promoting and supporting the eco-intensification of aquaculture production systems: inland (including fresh water), coastal zone, and offshore

#### LINKING HEALTHY OCEANS AND SEAS WITH HEALTHY PEOPLE

BG-06-2017: Interaction between people, oceans and seas: a strategic approach towards healthcare and well-being

**BG-08-2017:** Innovative sustainable solutions for improving the safety and dietary properties of seafood

#### **VALORISING THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA BASIN**

**BG-12-2016: Towards an integrated Mediterranean Sea Observing System** 

**BG-13-2016:** Support to the BLUEMED Initiative: Coordination of marine and maritime research and innovation activities in the Mediterranean (BLUEMED)

### **Keywords**

Vitamin D synthesis, UVB monitoring, Water pollution





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