

Aquaphotomics for weak signals quantification in water

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Aquaphotomics¹ is a field of study which aims at exploring water – light interaction for collective characterization and quantification of water molecular conformations that translate into structure, function, and dynamics of biological and aqueous systems. Understanding that the smallest amount of substance affects the organism led Benveniste² to explore the meaning of weak signals in water.

According to Aquaphotomics, near infrared light at specific frequencies turns water hydrogen bonded network into dynamic molecular mirror. The background of Aquaphotomics and a few examples of measurement of weak signals as response to scanning spectral acquisition and low concentrations of biomolecules including DNA³, nano particles and bacterial cells⁴ in water will be presented. In these works, near infrared spectroscopy and multivariate analysis define water spectral signature as a system's biomarker and spectral model for quantification of weak signals and low concentrations measurement. Some changes in water spectral signature caused by weak signals were at new absorbance bands and some were at already known ones that allowed assignment of the water molecular structures activated by respective perturbation. Characteristic water spectral signatures of the fourth phase of water⁵ were obtained with scanning monochromator and consecutive illuminations of various aqueous samples.

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