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Surface electromagnetic waves: Past, present, future

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Surface electromagnetic waves (SEV) have been known for 117 years. Currently, they are widely used in optical and investigated at THz frequencies in the area which form the basis of the current status and future development of nanotechnologies (plasmonics). The history of the research of electromagnetic waves that are different in nature from spatial Maxwell-Hertz electromagnetic waves and emerging on the boundary of two media with different dielectric properties, developed from universal acceptance in the early 20th century the concept of SEV Sommerfeld- Zenneck, until the categorical denial by middle-century, the revival of interest in 60-years and experimental confirmation by the beginning of the 21st century. In Russia, the theory of SEV developed intensively, and experimental proof of the existence of SEV was given: waves of ultrahigh frequencies detected and investigated in the laboratory in the magnetized semiconductors, on salt water, gas plasma and metals; were observed in vivo. SEV exist at frequencies up to optical. To date, they are best explored in the ultra high frequency range and optics (plasmon- polaritons). Extended field studies in the field of high, low and ultralow frequencies holds exciting prospects: (OTH) radar, new channels of global telecommunications, monitoring the surface of oceans, weather management, wireless transfer of energy flows on the surface of earth and the bottom edge of the ionosphere from continent to continent. SEV have dramatic past, pragmatic present and a great future.

## **Biography**

Vladimir Datsko belongs to the school of the Nobel Prize winner academician P L Kapitza (a student of Ernest Rutherford). After graduating from the Moscow Physical-Technical Institute, he has started study of surface electromagnetic waves (SEV). In 1970 slow surface waves magnitoplazmennaye-a new class of surface excitations of solid-state plasma in magnetized semiconductors were opened; to optical frequencies they were dubbed plasmon and magnetoplasmon. He has observed SEV experimentally on salt water (1980), thereby confirmed experimentally the verification and validation of theoretical model of Sommerfeld-Zennek. He has watched SEV in metals (2012), and on the human body (2013). His dissertation for the Degree of Doctor of Hab. is "New types of surface electromagnetic waves in conducting media" (2000). He is the author of 2 discoveries and 9 patents.

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