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Nanoporous Organo-Mineral Fertilizers obtained by using of Granule Shell Technology

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It is known that the fertilizers with different compositions of shell coatings allow decreasing of environmental pollution by nitrates due to the decreasing of solubility of N-containing nucleus of the granule [1]. In this work the investigations of mineral N-containing fertilizers with phosphorite-based porous shell are presented. Carbamide granules, that are most important and widely used N-fertilizer in the world today, because of high content of N and the absence of acidic influence on the soil.

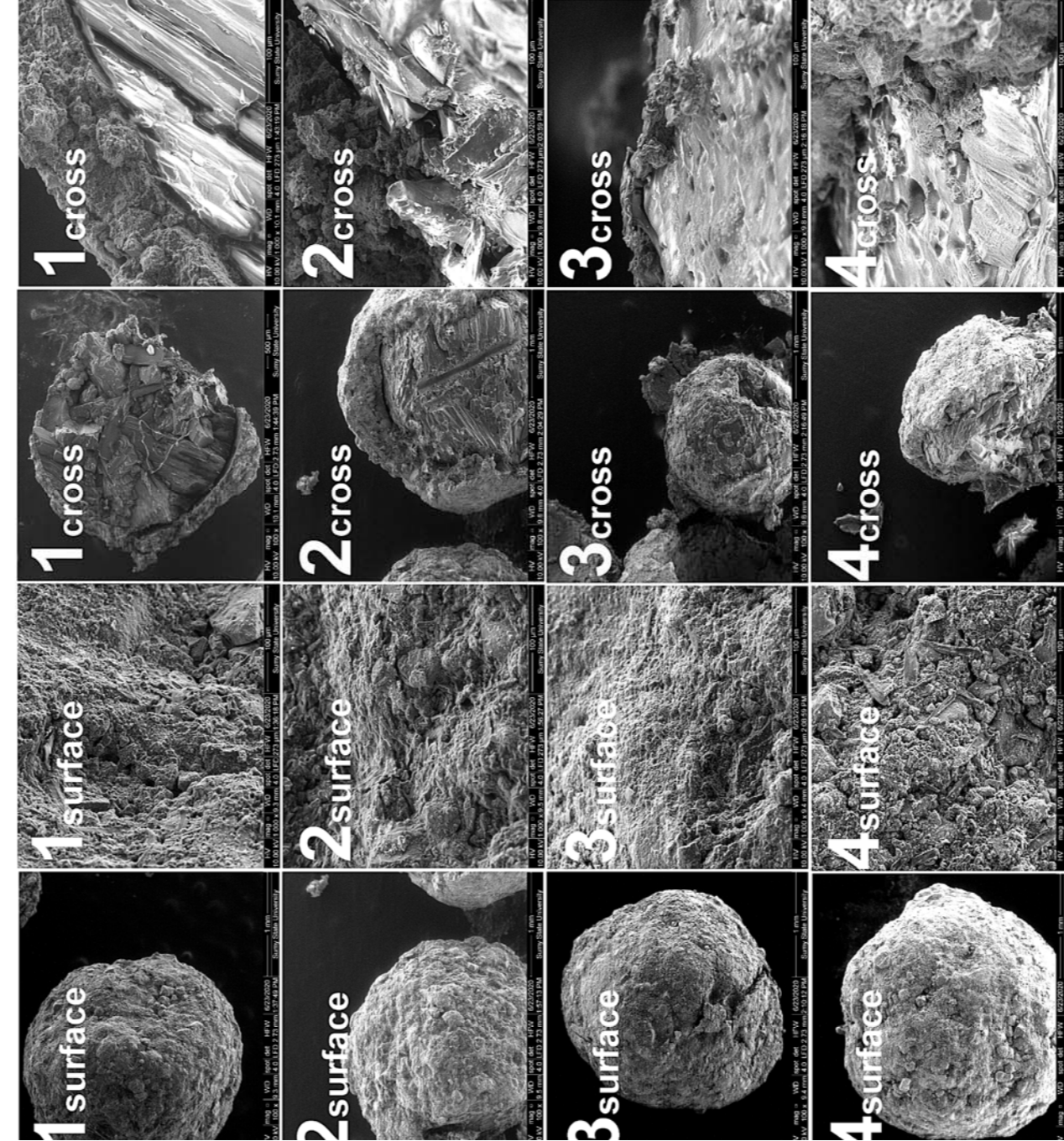


Fig.1. General view of granules for samples 1-4: a – general view of granule at magnification x100, b – surface of granule at magnification x1000; c- general view of granule cross section at magnification x100; d – cross section of the granule at magnification x1000.

To obtain phosphate-containing shell the phosphate-glaucconite concentrate obtained from the Karpivski deposits together with phosphorite of the cherkaskamk concentrate with additions of microelements in chelate form and calcium humate were used. The last one was used as plasticizer because of its low solubility and positive impact into formation of agronomically valuable, water resistant soil structure. Calcium addition neutralizes soil acidity and decreases the mobility of mineral components by the soil. The use of zeolite is necessary because of its ability to decrease gaseous and infiltrate loss of nitrogen and increase amount potassium and productive humidity in the soil.

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Sample number	Composition		Plasticizer	Granule strength, MPa
	P ₂ O ₅ , %	N, %		
Sample 1	7,2	23,8	Calcium humate	2,1
Sample 2	7,13	23,6	Potassium humate	2,07
Sample 3	7,84	21,8	Potassium-magnesium	2,09
Sample 4	7,4	22,8	Calcium humate	1,71

With microelement complex AVATAR

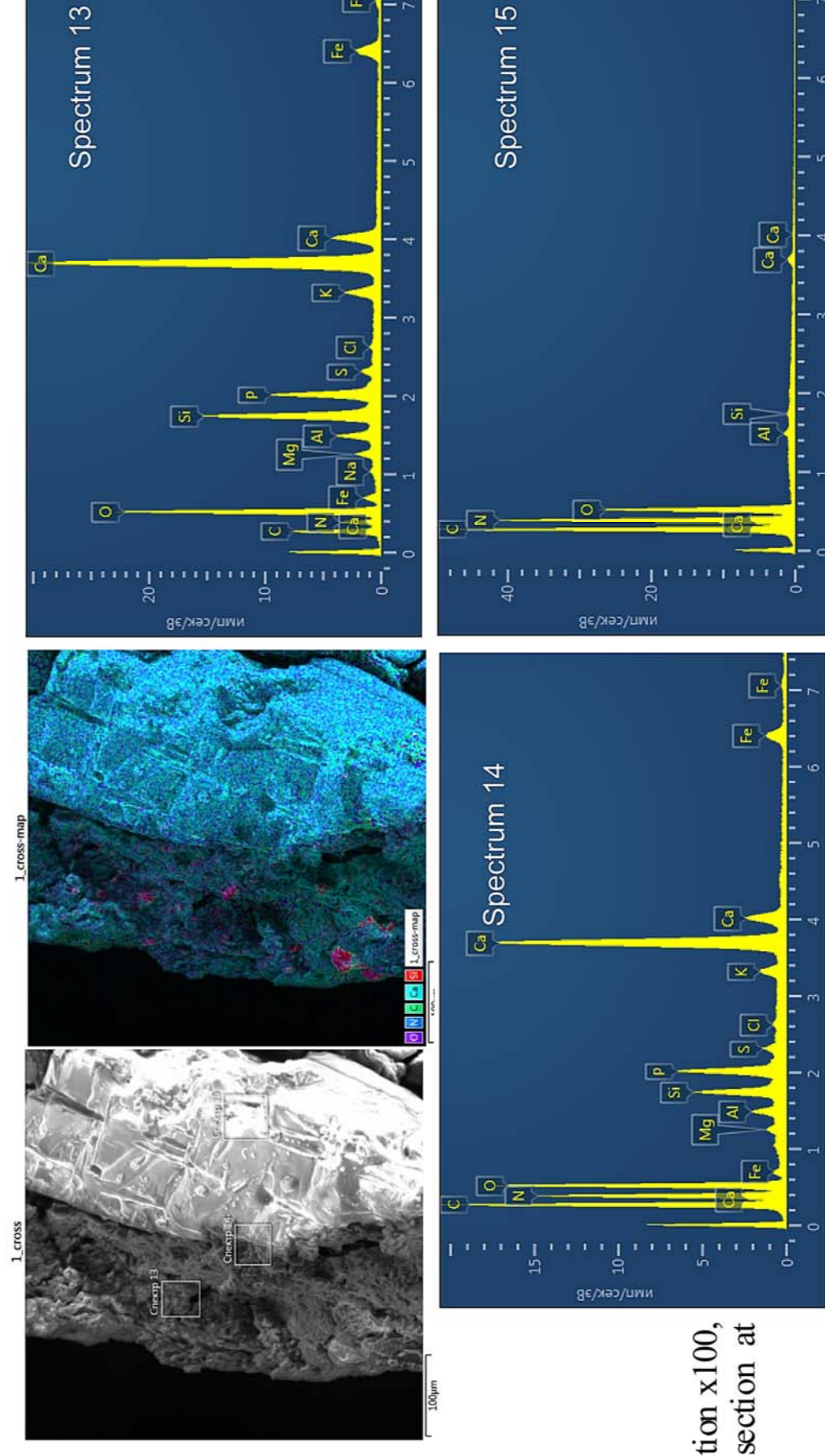


Fig.2. EDX analysis of granules for sample 1: element composition of granule cross section at the points (surface – spectrum 13, interface – spectrum 14, nucleus – spectrum 15).

Relation of coating mass to the mass of granule nucleus was calculated. Dependence of coatings porosity from granulation parameters and temperature of granulation were estimated. The pore size and shape, surface porosity mainly depends on amount of plasticizer and rolling time of granules. Obtained carbamide granules with phosphorite-based porous shell have micropores with the size up to 10 nm.

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