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## Zigzag patterns on the surface of BSA+AlCl<sub>3</sub> films

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Aluminum as a biologically active substance can be the cause of an allergy or Alzheimer's disease. The aim of this work was to determine the effect of different concentrations of aluminum on geometric parameters (average segment length  $L_{mean}$ ) of zigzag patterns, which form on film textures obtained from BSA solutions.

For the concentrations used in the experiment, the amount of aluminum bound to BSA is much less than that of free aluminum molecules in the solution [1].

[AlCl <sub>3</sub> ], mmol/l	Zeta-potential	Fluorescence, %	L <sub>mean</sub> , μm
0	-16.0±1.2		38.8±6.8
0.025	-11±1.6	127±3	23.5±1.4
0.05	-6.4±0.7	112±3	25.2±3.6

The results of the study are presented in the table.

The increase in the intensity of fluorescence in the presence of Al<sup>3+</sup> can be explained by a change in the conformation of the protein molecules caused by a change in the zeta potential or pH. Perhaps the change in the geometric parameters of zigzags on the film is also associated with a change in the protein conformation.

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