

## EPRSIM-C Overview

### Package content (Version: 6.2):

- **EPRSIM BBW** release EPRSIM BBW 6.2.5
- **EPRSIM WIZ** release EPRSIM WIZ 6.2.2
- **GHOSTmaker** release GHOSTmaker 3.5.1
- **EPR convert** release EPR convert 2.1.1

### OS environment:

- MS Windows (32 bit)

### General purpose:

- Simulation of nitroxide spectra in fast motion approximation
- Handling EPR experimental data
- EPR-based characterization via automatic HEO/dHEO optimization
- Solution condensation and filtering with GHOST algorithm

### Purpose of individual programs:

- EPRSIM WIZ – handling EPR data, reviewing, collecting or combining EPR experiments
- EPRSIM BBW – fitting, automatic optimization, multithreading, multiple spectra handling, background (resident) calculation, automatic start
- GHOSTmaker – GHOST making, spectral analysis condensation
- EPR convert – converting single or group of SPC / DTA files into single ASCII file(s)

### Accessibility:

- Package EPRSIM-C is a freeware downloadable from web site [http://www.ijs.si/ijs/dept/epr/EPRSIMC\\_overview.htm](http://www.ijs.si/ijs/dept/epr/EPRSIMC_overview.htm) (also check here for the most recent versions).
- Note that the authors can provide further assistance with the EPRSIM-C programs only when the users notify the authors on the usage of the EPRSIM-C programs. Notification should be done via e-mail to [janez.strancar@ijs.si](mailto:janez.strancar@ijs.si) by sending the user's name and affiliation.
- The users can publish the results gained by the EPRSIM-C software only by referring the appropriate papers described below or elsewhere.

### Installation – general hints:

- Copy the EPRSIM-C package to desired location
- Make sure that all the programs and support files are in the same folder
- For usage of the individual programs, see their technical documentation
- Note that all software components of EPRSIM-C can be run over a local network from a single location
- Note that one can submit tasks for EPRSIM BBW running in the stay-resident mode also from a local network
- Note that EPRSIM WIZ needs file »def\_par2.mtp« to create new MTP files; therefore this file should be in the same directory as EPRSIM WIZ
- Note that GHOSTmaker needs EPRSIM BBW to make a spectral-simulation-based weight correction; it is desirable that EPRSIM BBW

and GHOSTmaker are located in the same folder, however you will be asked to locate EPRSIM BBW when running GHOSTmaker for the first time

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