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We have developed a microscopic model for the K^-NN absorption in nuclear matter [1]. The absorption was described as a meson-exchange process and the primary K^-N interaction strength was derived from the state-of-the-art chiral models. The medium modifications of the K^-N scattering amplitudes due to the Pauli principle were taken into account. The model was applied in calculations of kaonic atoms for the first time [2]. The description of the data significantly improved when the two nucleon absorption was considered. The branching ratios for various K^- absorption channels in $^{12}\mathrm{C}+K^-$ atom were calculated and compared with old bubble chamber data, as well as with the latest data from the AMADEUS collaboration [3]. Next, we considered the hadron (Y,K^-,π) selfenergies in the K^-N scattering amplitudes as well as in the K^-NN absorption model. Their effect on the total K^- potential in nuclear matter is currently being explored.

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