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Kevin Coulembier, Pavel Etingof* (etingof@math.mit.edu) and **Victor Ostrik**. *Frobenius exact symmetric tensor categories*.

I will report on a joint work with K. Coulembier and V. Ostrik. We show that a symmetric tensor category in characteristic $p > 0$ admits a fiber functor to the Verlinde category (semisimplification of $\text{Rep}(\mathbf{Z}/p)$) if and only if it has moderate growth and its Frobenius functor (an analog of the classical Frobenius in the representation theory of algebraic group) is exact. For example, for $p = 2$ and 3 this implies that any such category is (super)-Tannakian. We also give a characterization of super-Tannakian categories for $p > 3$. This generalizes Deligne's theorem that any symmetric tensor category over \mathbf{C} of moderate growth is super-Tannakian to characteristic p . At the end I'll discuss applications of this result to modular representation theory. (Received August 26, 2021)