

From loaded shell-core microcapsules to thermoplastic hybrid composites: A new pathway for the preparation of conductive and magnetic polyamide composites

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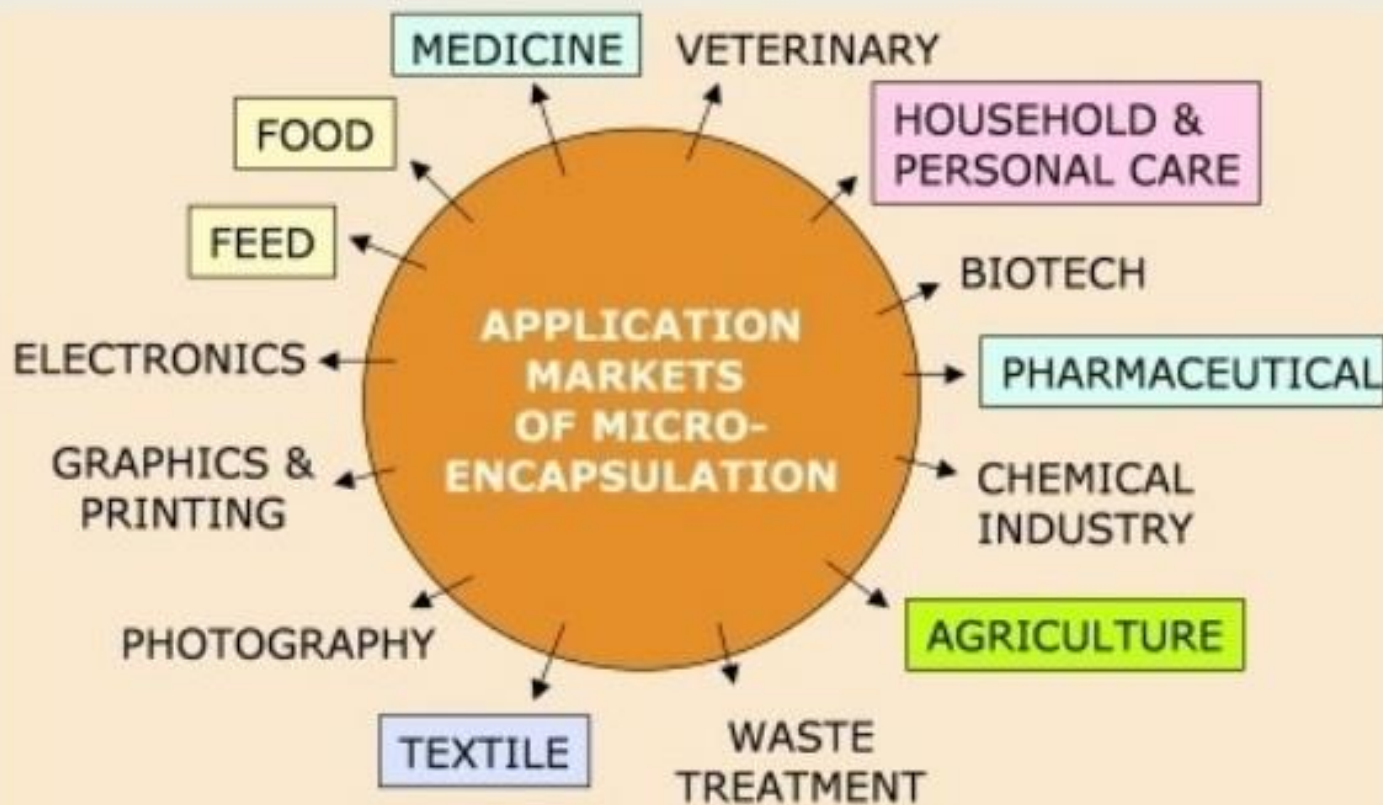
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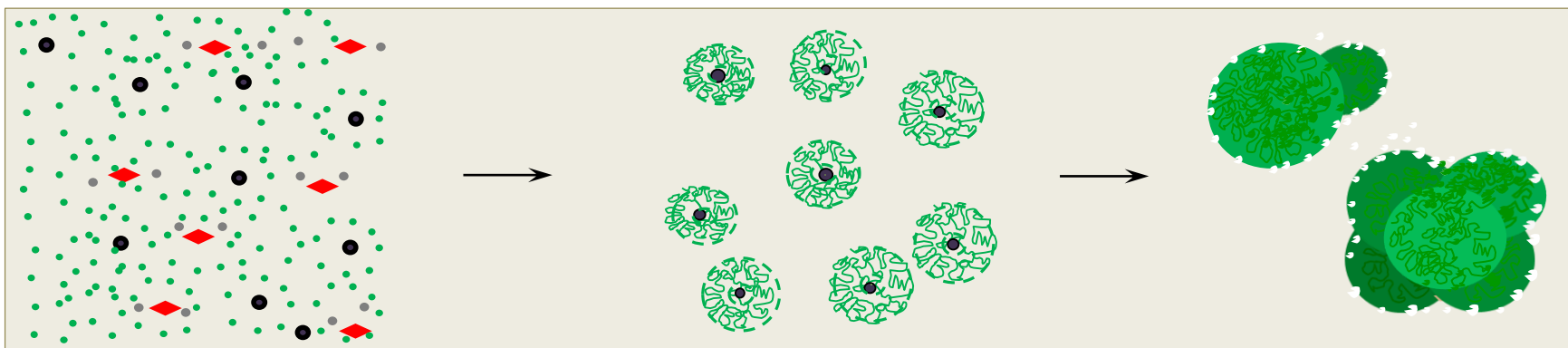




- ❑ Motivation
- ❑ One-pot synthesis of polyamide 6 microcapsules with different payloads
- ❑ Transforming PA6 microcapsules into hybrid composite materials and their mechanical, electroconductive and magnetic properties
- ❑ Conclusions

APPLICATION OF MICROENCAPSULATION TECHNIQUES:





Starting mixture

- Monomer
- ◆ Catalytic system
- Payload
- Solvent

Viscous particles

Microcapsules

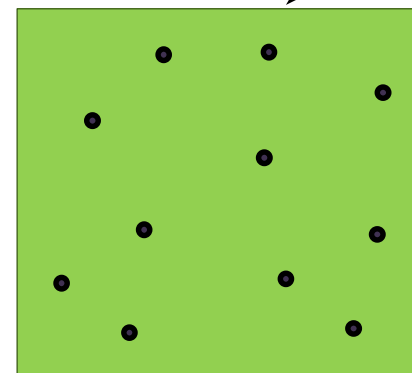
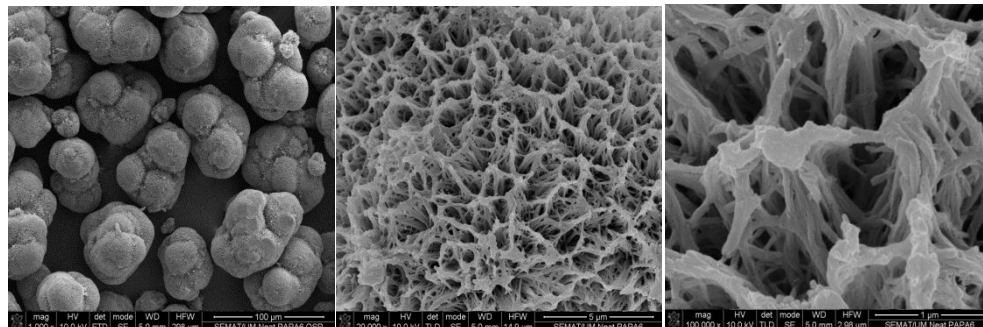
Multifaceted applications

CM, IM

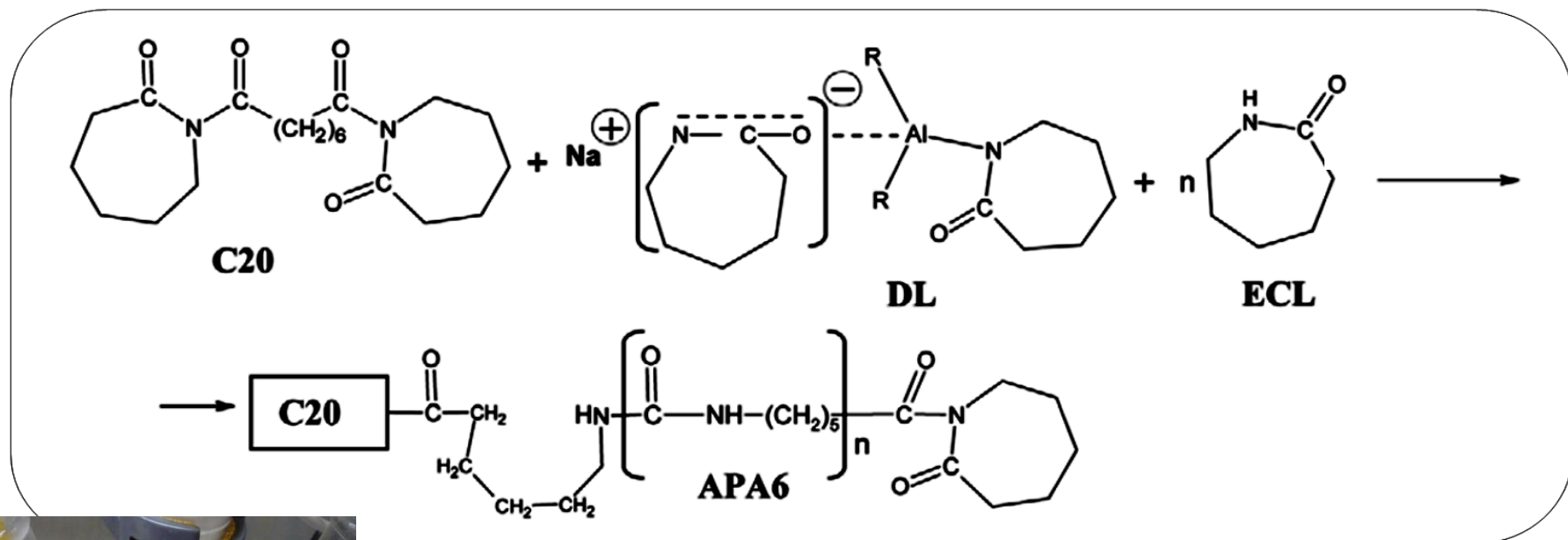
Payloads used (1-10 wt.%):

- Natural nanoclays, synthetic Al/Ti sillicates
- Carbon allotropes – CB, CNT, CNF, Fullerenes
- Metal & Metal oxides – Cu, Al, Mg, Fe, Fe₃O₄

PAMC

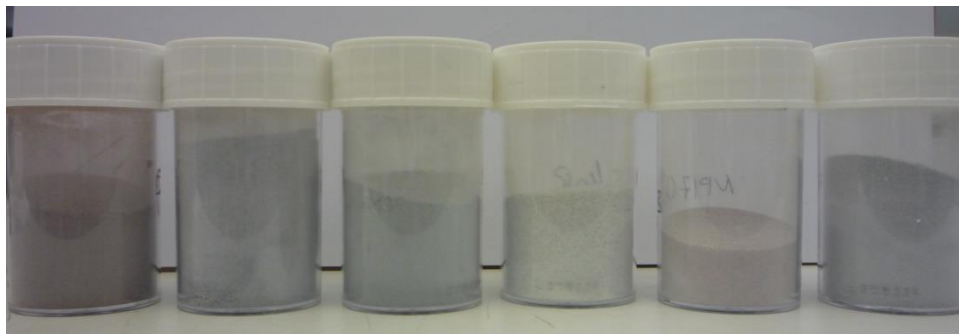


Hybrid composite materials
with electro-conductive &
magnetic properties



Payloads used (1-10 wt.%):

- **Natural nano-clays (CLOISITE 15A, CLOISITE 20A);**
- **Synthetic Al/Ti silicates**
- **Carbon allotropes – CB, CNT, CNF, Fullerenes**
- **Metal & Metal oxides – Cu, Al, Mg, Fe, Fe₃O₄**



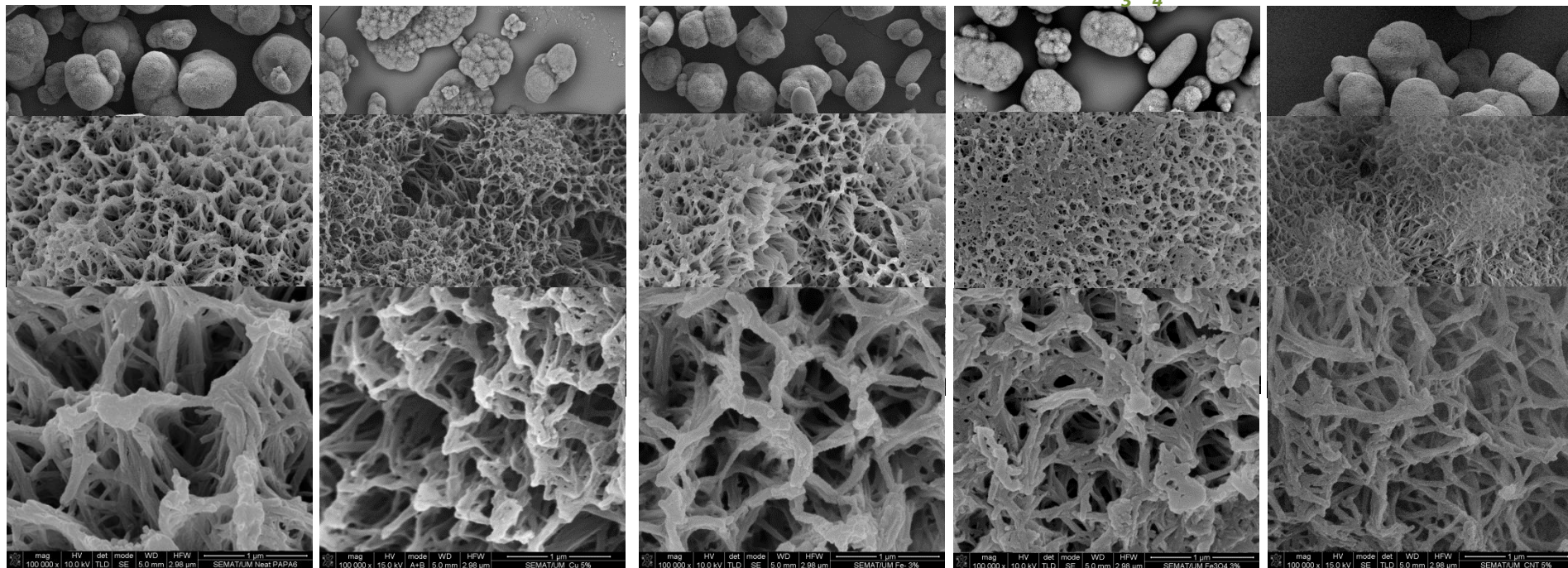
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PAMC-Fe 3%

PAMC-Fe₃O₄-3%

PAMC-CNT 3%



Granulometric analysis

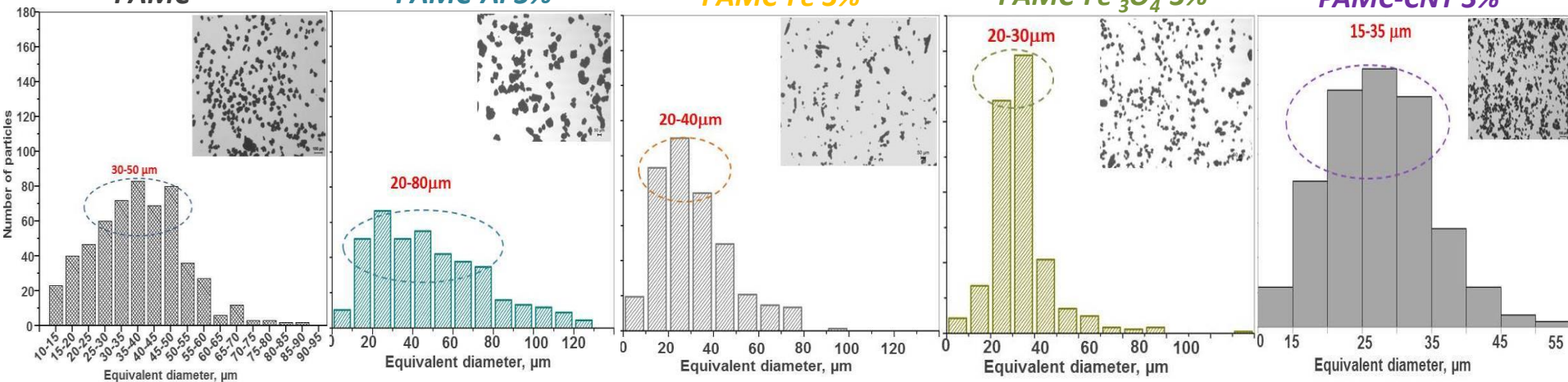
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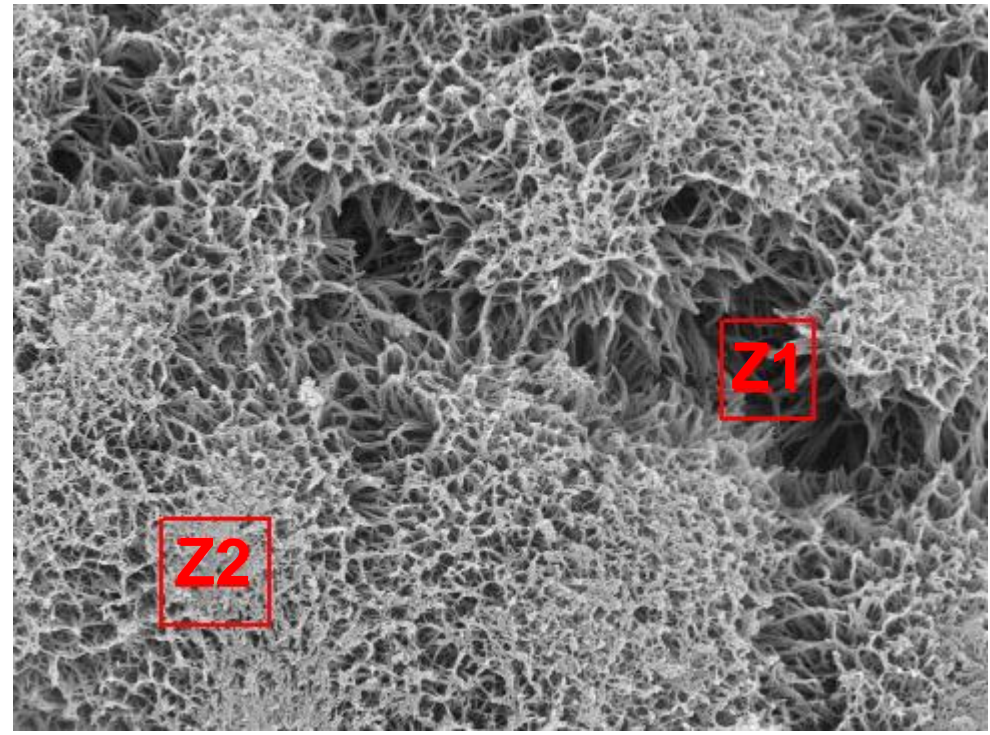
PAMC-CNT 3%



SEM + EDX of PAMC-AI 3%

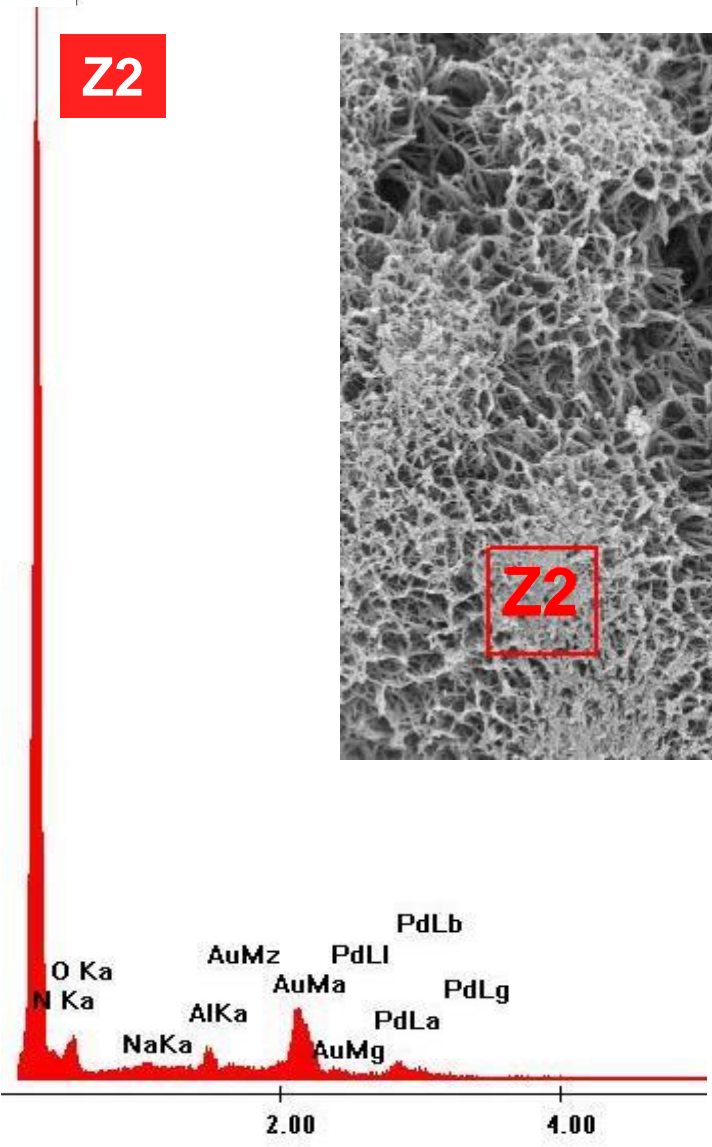
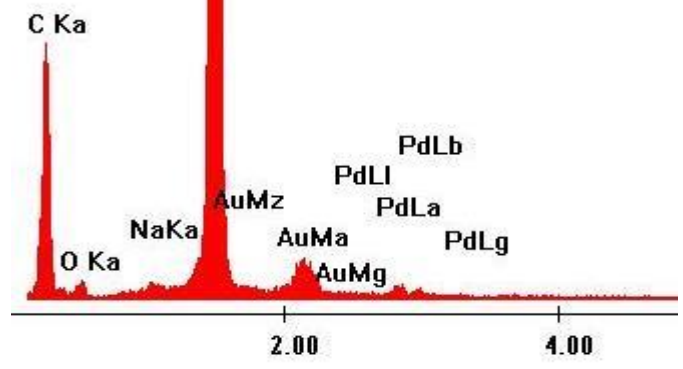
C Ka

Z2



Al Ka

Z1

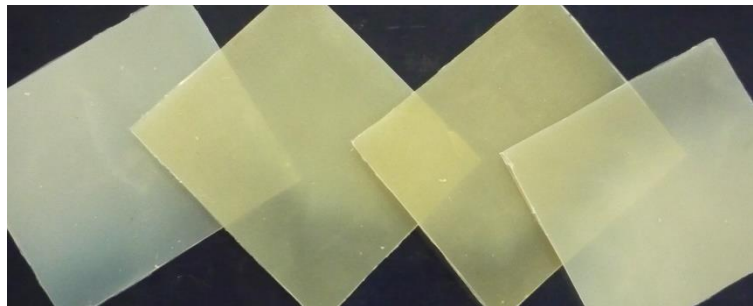


Hybrid composites by CM of PAMC

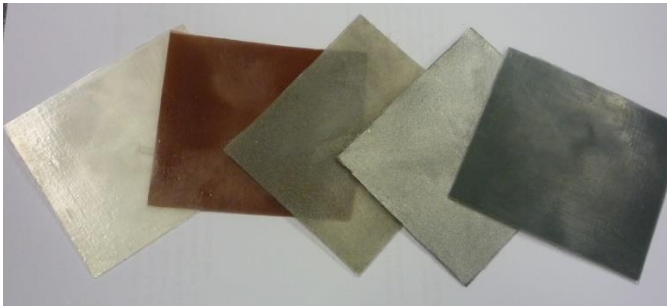
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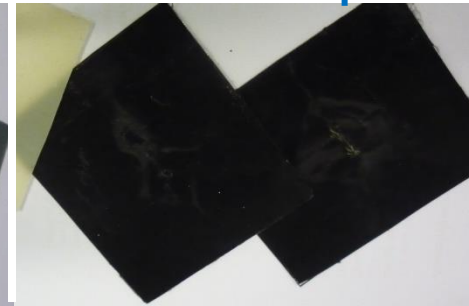
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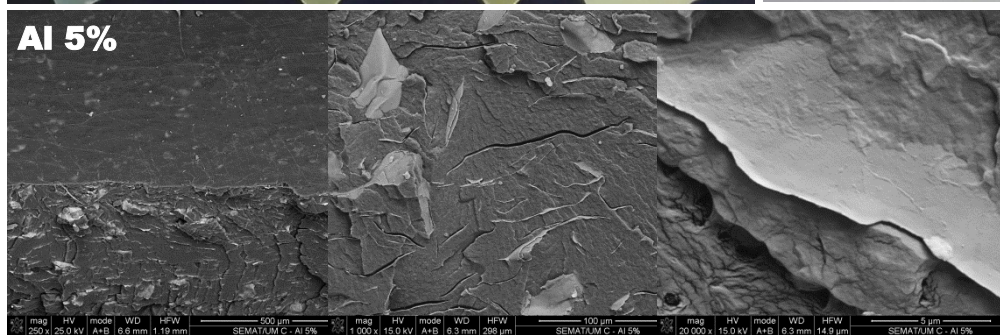
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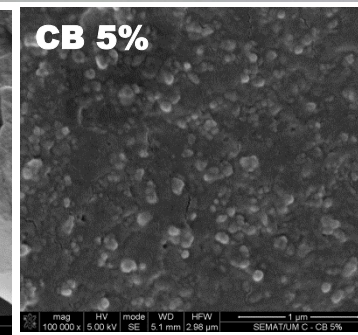
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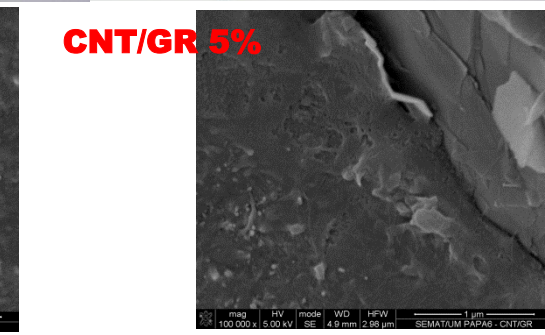
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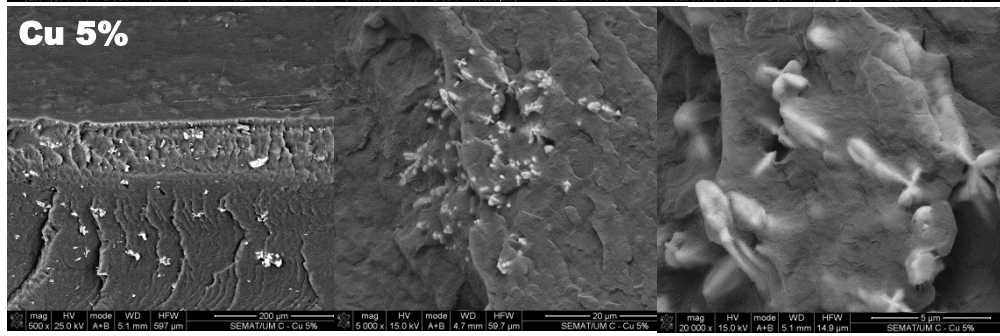
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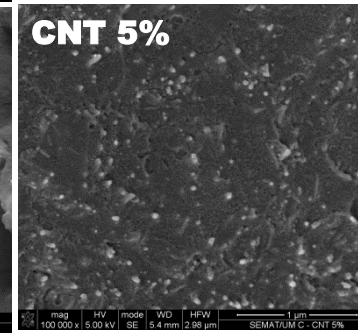
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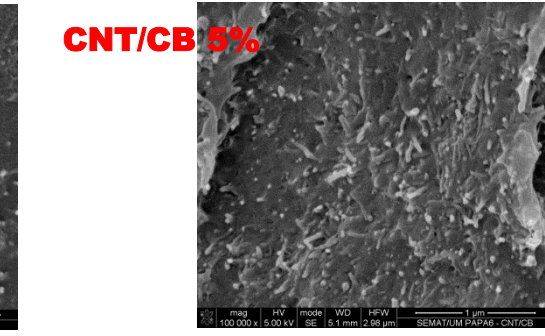
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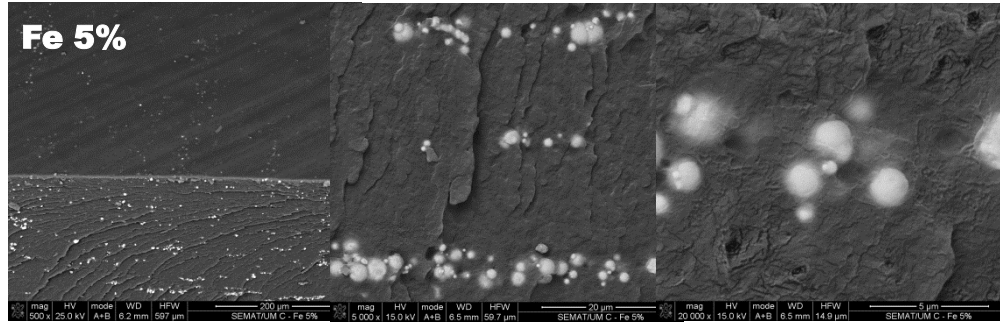
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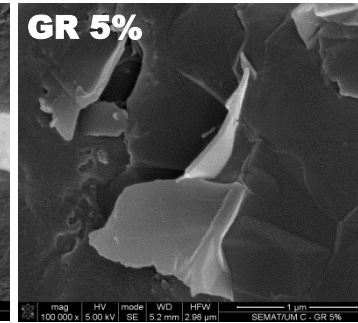
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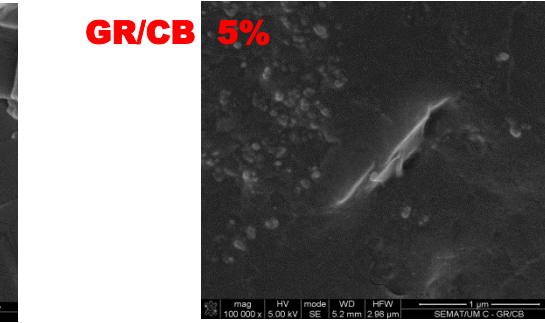
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GR 5%

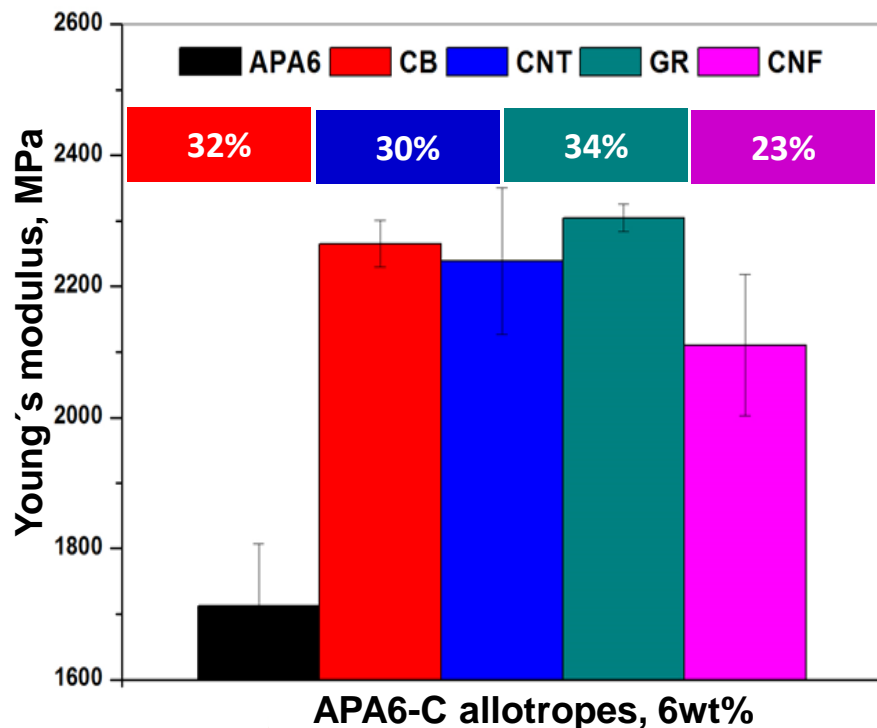


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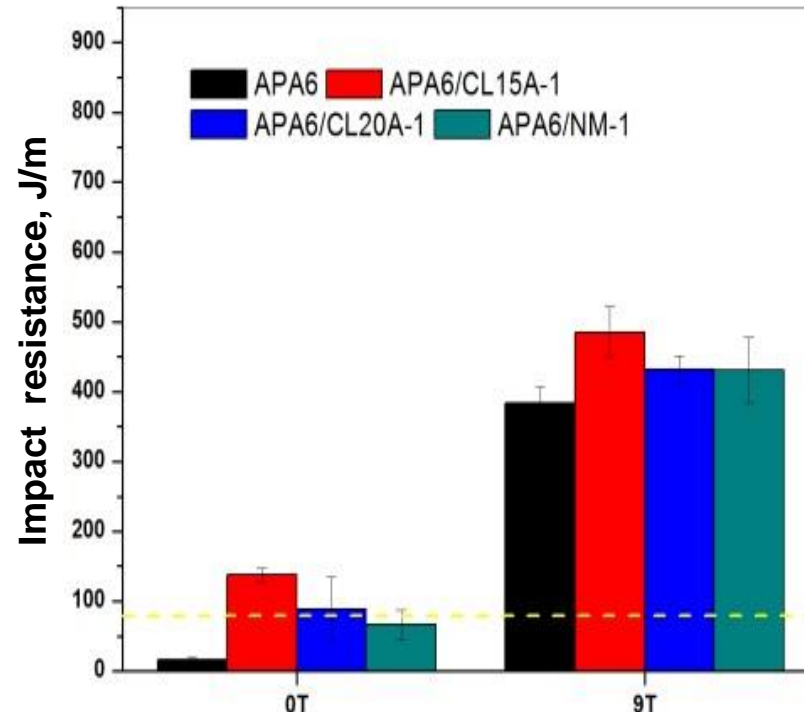




Tensile moduli of PA6/C allotropes composites



Impact resistance of PA6/PA66 laminates



PA6
1,5 GPa/70 MPa

Young's moduli
12-14 GPa

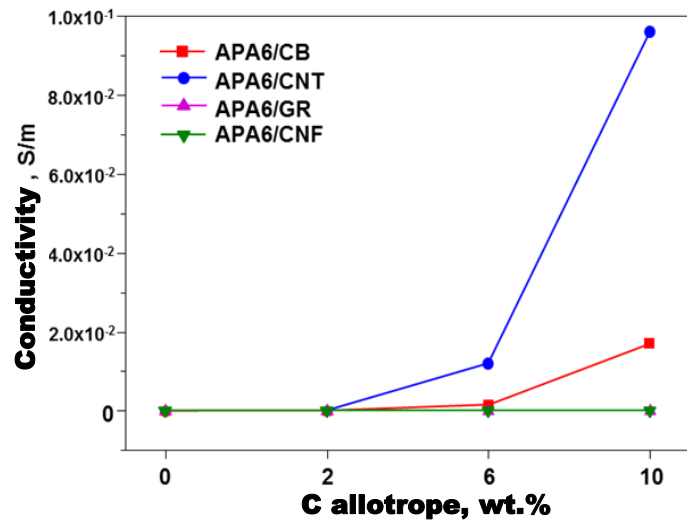
Tensile strengths
410 – 520 MPa

Tensile properties of PA6/ GF Textile laminates prepared with PAMC

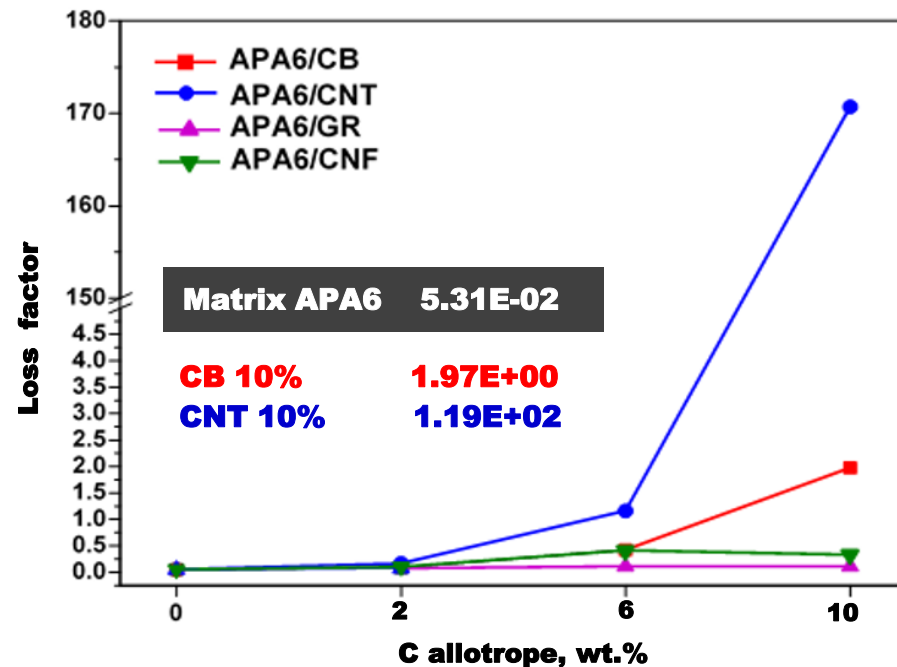
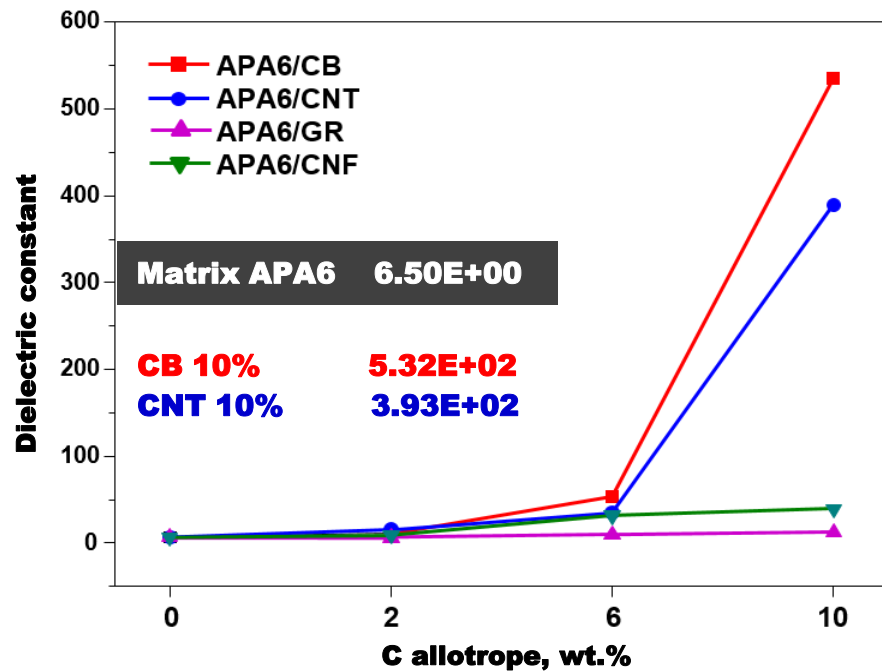
Number of layers	Sample	Young's modulus, E [GPa]	Tensile strength, $\sigma_{\text{m\acute{a}x}}$ [MPa]	Strain at break, ϵ_{rot} [%]
10	APA6-10T(FV1)	12.34±0.35	411.2±28.4	6.56±0.6
	APA6-10T(FV1)*	13.97±0.09	497.2±30.6	6.4±0.5
	APA6-10T(FV2)*	14.14±0.77	509.1±23.9	7±0.6
	APA6/CL20A1-10T(FV1)	13.36±1.01	482.1±21.5	6.5±0.7
	APA6/CL20A1-10T(FV1)*	12.23±0.73	416.7±40.9	5.7±0.4

* Matriz com Sb₂O₃

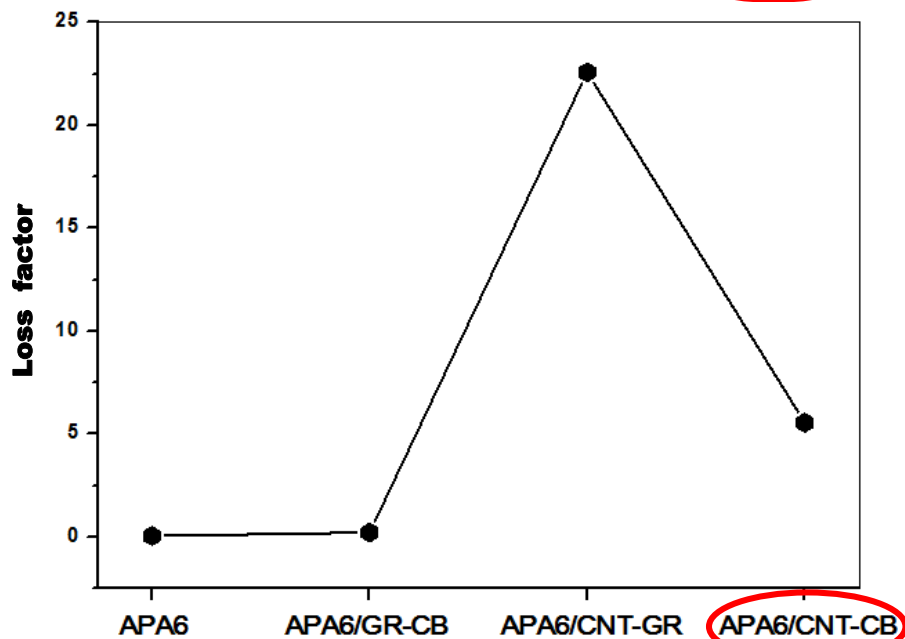
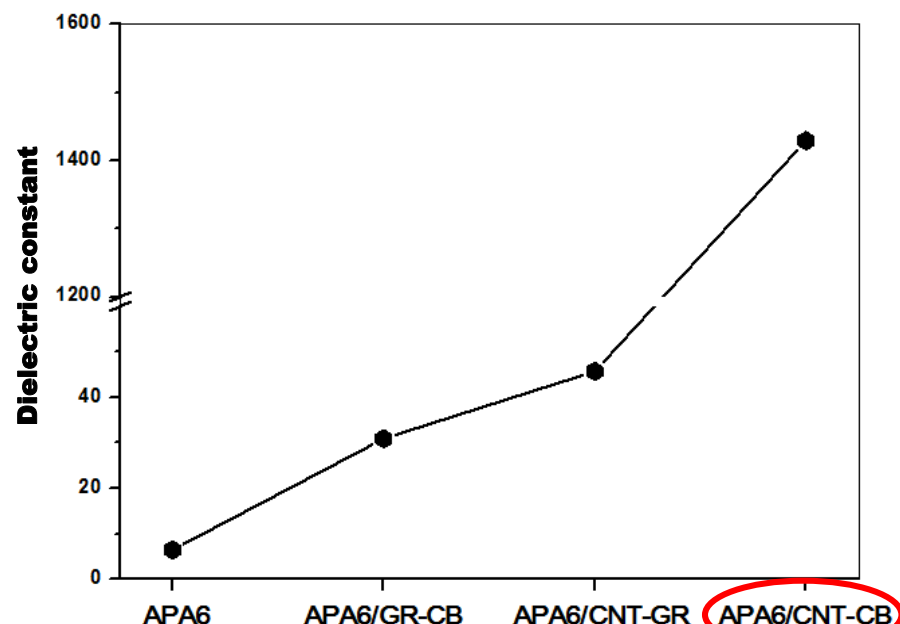
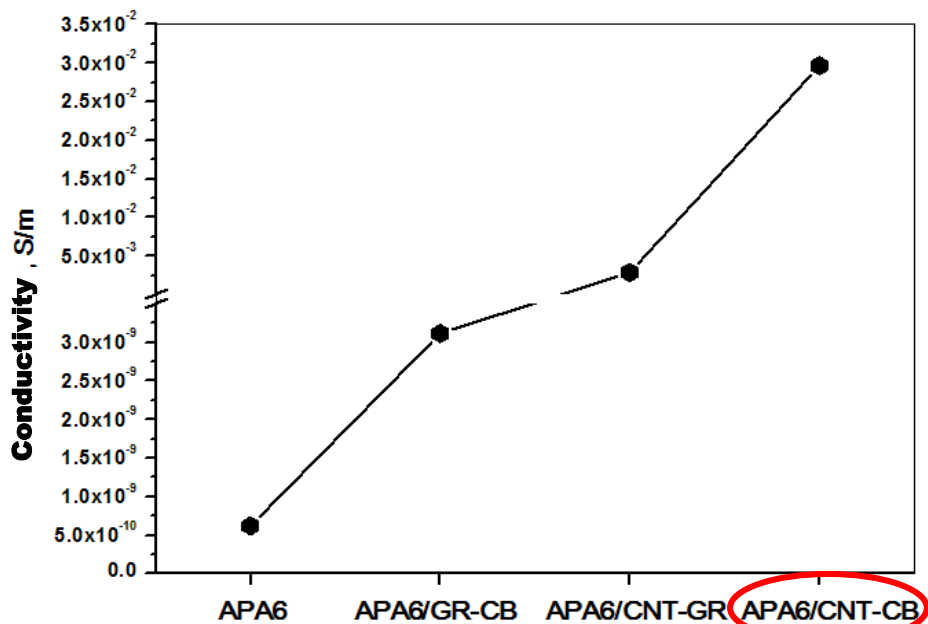
Electro-conductive properties of PA6/C hybrids



Payload wt.%	0	2	6	10
CB		4.6E-09	1.5E-03	1.7E-02
CNT	6.2E-10 Isolating matrix	6.6E-05	1.2E-02	9.6E-02
GR		6.0E-09	3.4E-09	3.5E-09
CNF		3.1E-09	6.5E-06	1.1E-06



Electro-conductive properties of PA6/mixed C allotropes

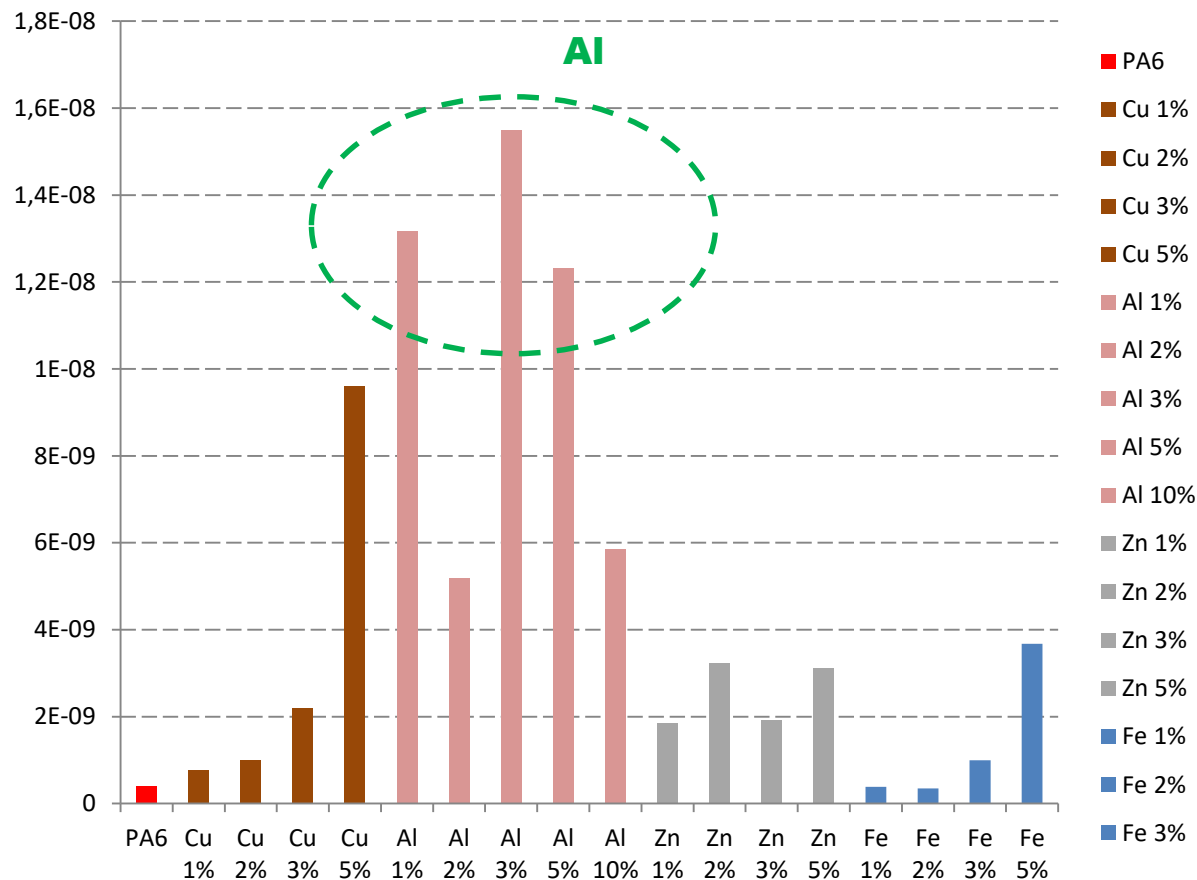


Sample	σ , S/m	ϵ'
APA6	6.2E-10	6.50E+00
APA6/CNT-GR	1.6E-02	4.80E+01
APA6/CNT-CB	8.9E-02	1.42E+03
APA6/GR-CB	3.1E-09	3.10E+01

APA6/CNT-CB
 σ 8.9E-02 S/m
 ϵ' 1.42E+03
 $\tan \delta$ 5.53E+00



Conductivity σ , ($\Omega.m$)⁻¹



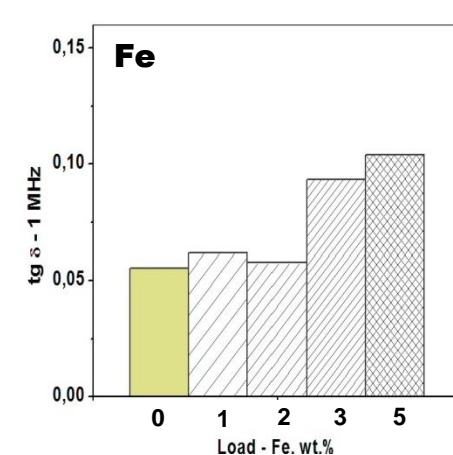
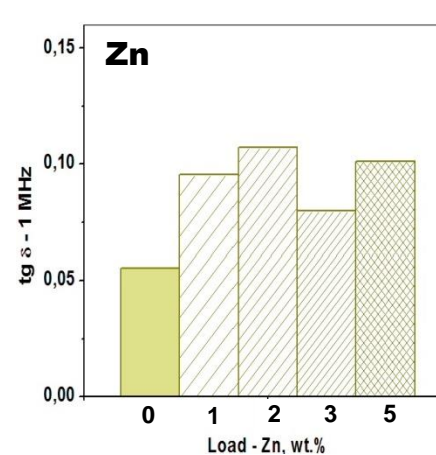
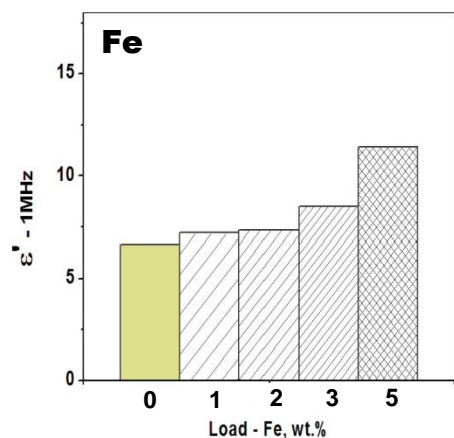
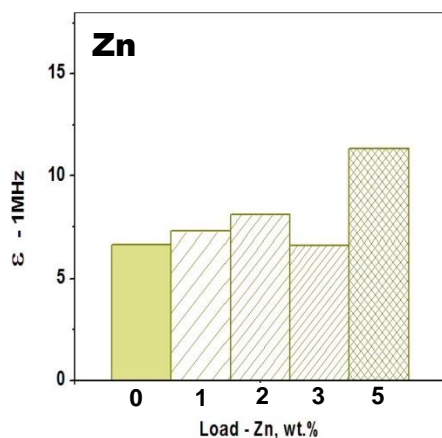
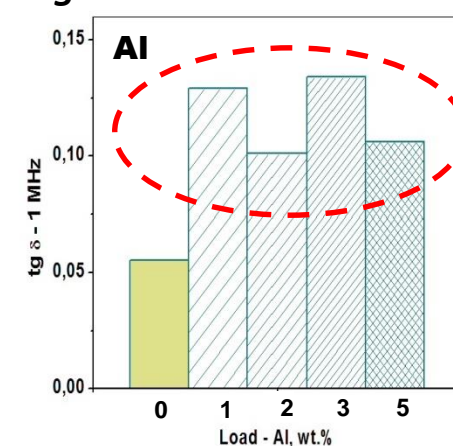
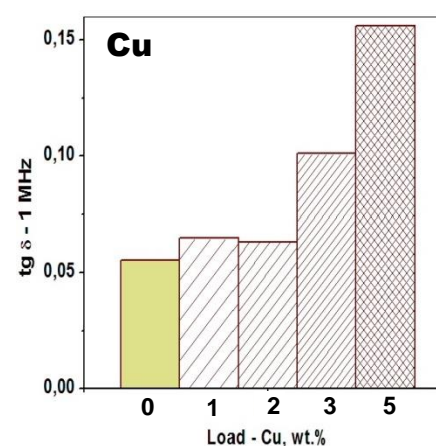
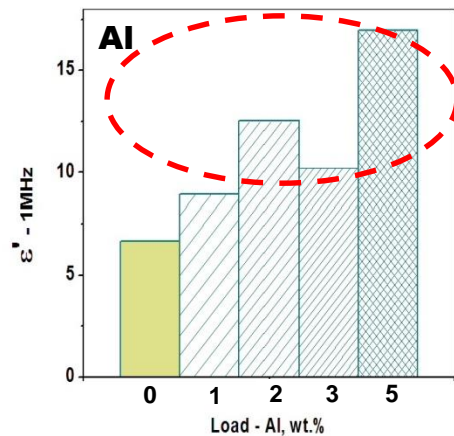
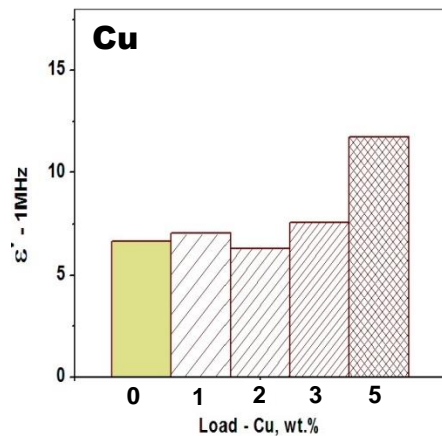
Load, wt.%	PA6	PA6-Cu	PA6-Al	PA6-Zn	PA6-Fe
0%	4,23E-10	-	-	-	-
1%	-	8,56E-10	1,35E-08	1,76E-09	4,56E-10
2%	-	1,05E-09	5,43E-09	4,51E-09	4,03E-10
3%	-	2,20E-09	1,50E-08	1,85E-09	1,06E-09
5%	-	9,42E-09	1,20E-08	3,45E-09	4,01E-09

Electro-conductive properties of PA6/Me hybrid



Dielectric constant

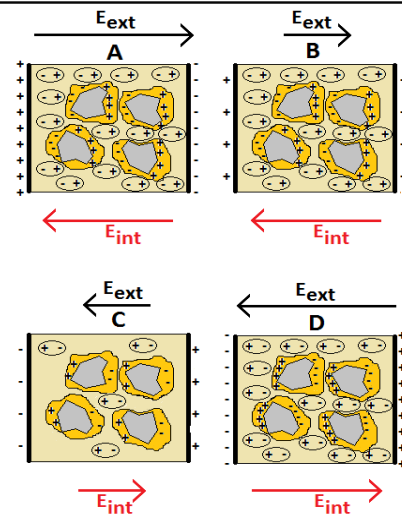
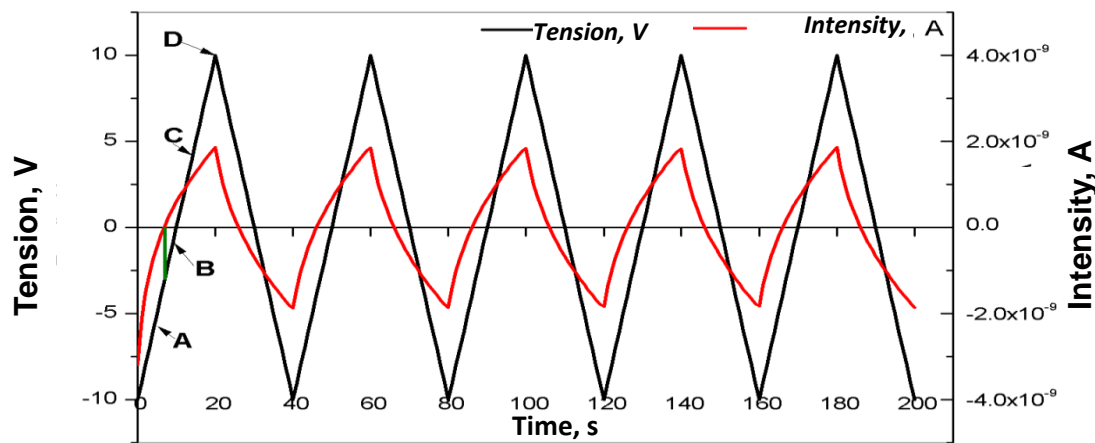
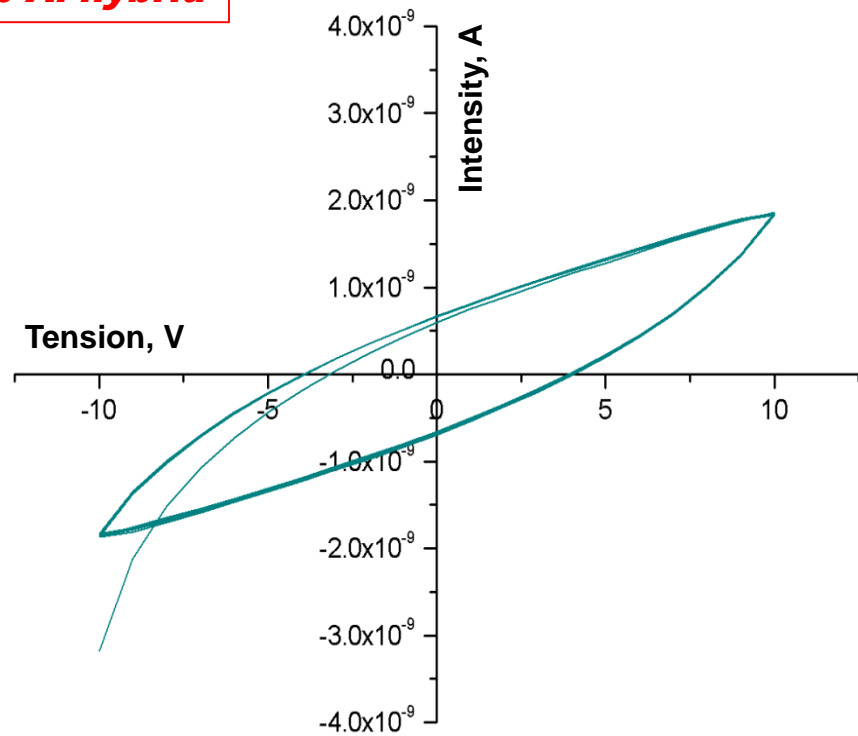
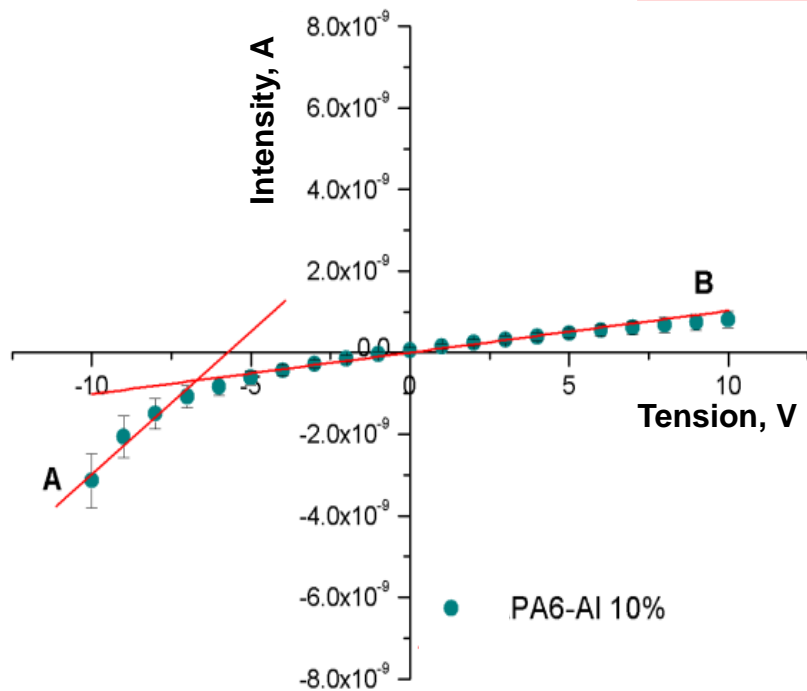
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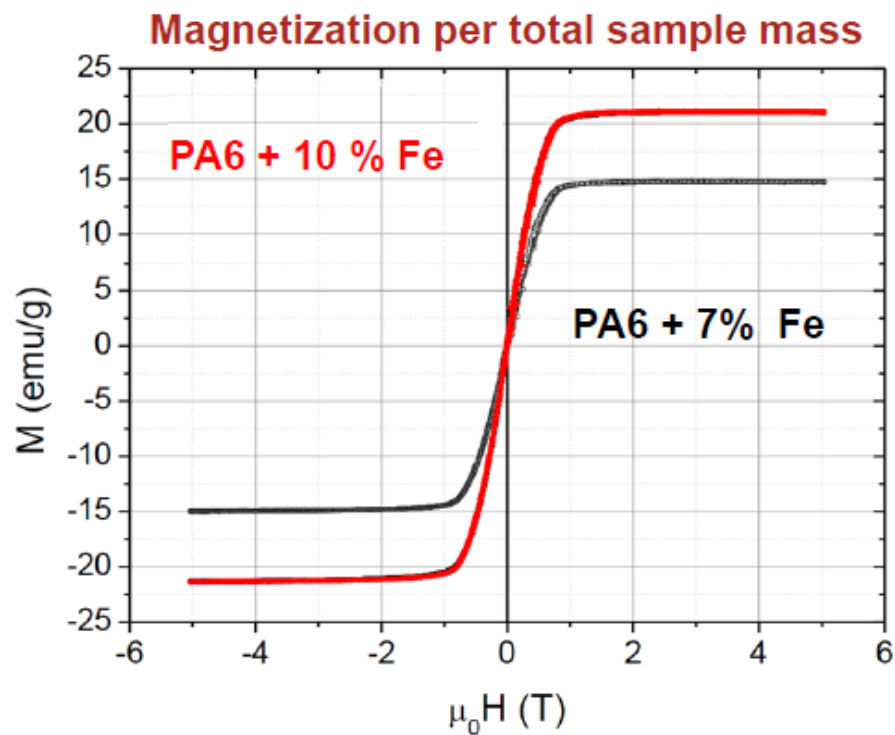
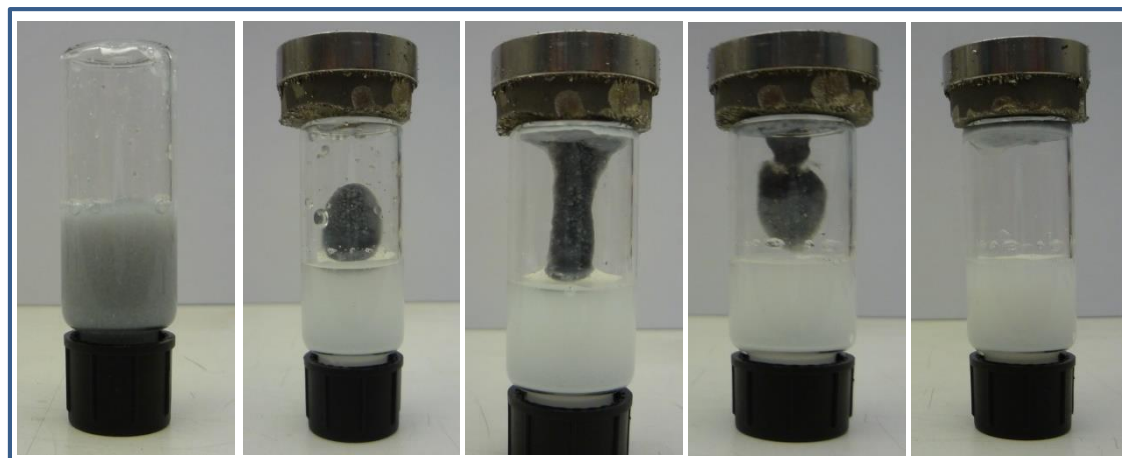


Load, wt.%	PA6		PA6 - Cu		PA6 - Al		PA6 - Zn		PA6 - Fe	
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0%	6,78	0,052	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1%	-	-	7,13	0,066	8,77	0,134	7,49	0,100	7,56	0,075
2%	-	-	6,32	0,063	11,22	0,095	8,17	0,096	7,33	0,059
3%	-	-	7,60	0,101	12,38	0,128	6,62	0,080	8,29	0,093
5%	-	-	10,30	0,128	16,55	0,114	9,10	0,091	10,82	0,095

Electro-conductive properties of PA6/10 % Al hybrid

PA6 / 30 wt.% Al hybrid





1. Polyamide hybrid microcapsules containing different loads can be prepared by an effective one-pot-synthetic method;
2. Using conventional processing technics these microcapsules can be transformed into hybrid composites with good load distribution resulting in tailored mechanical and electromagnetic properties.
3. PA6@Carbon allotrope composites thus prepared showed semiconductor properties, while composites containing metal and metal oxide particles displayed properties that could be interesting for energy storage and energy absorbing materials.

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