

# Closing Event : project PHOTONITEX

Tourcoing, 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022



## **Work Package 3 : Static and dynamic structuring of membrane**

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## **Work Package 3 and 4 : Static and dynamic structuring of membrane and filaments**

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- ❑ Jozefien Geltmeyer, Ugent Gent
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## **Work Package 4 : Static and dynamic structuring of filaments**

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**Work Package 3** : Static and dynamic structuring of membrane

# Etude de membranes photoniques dans le MIR pour le confort thermique individuel

Mohamed Boutghatin, IEMN Lille

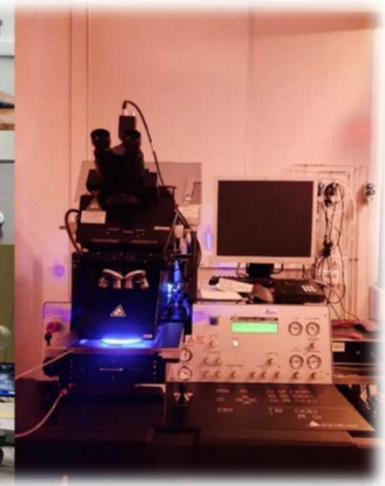
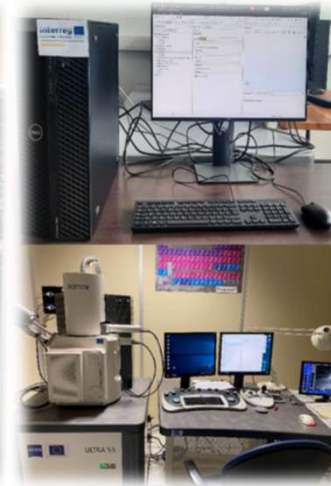


## IEMN

- ❖ 1600 m<sup>2</sup> of clean rooms
- ❖ 1400 m<sup>2</sup> of laboratories

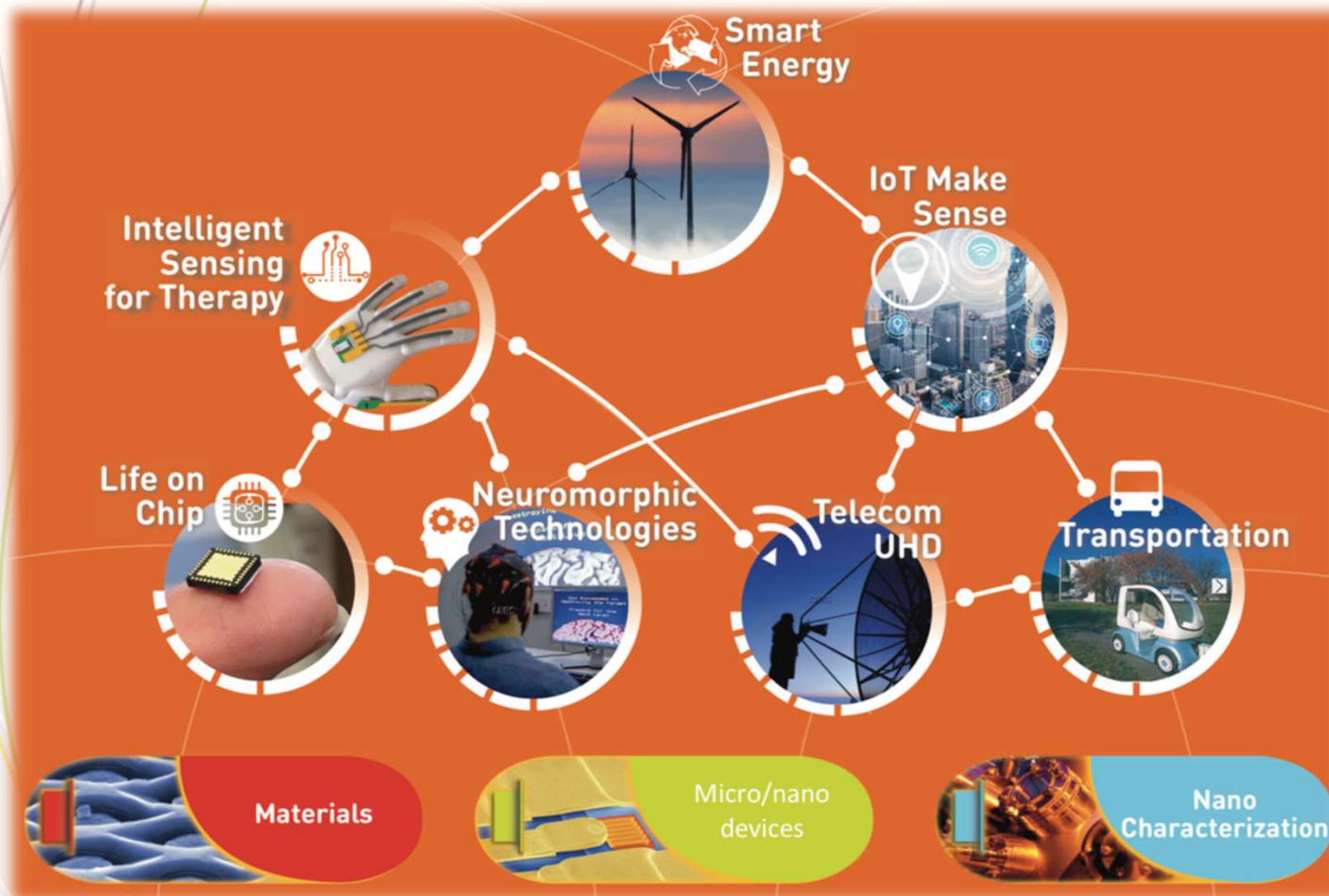
## 470 persons

- ❖ 170 teacher-researchers
- ❖ 140 PhD students
- ❖ 90 engineers and technicians



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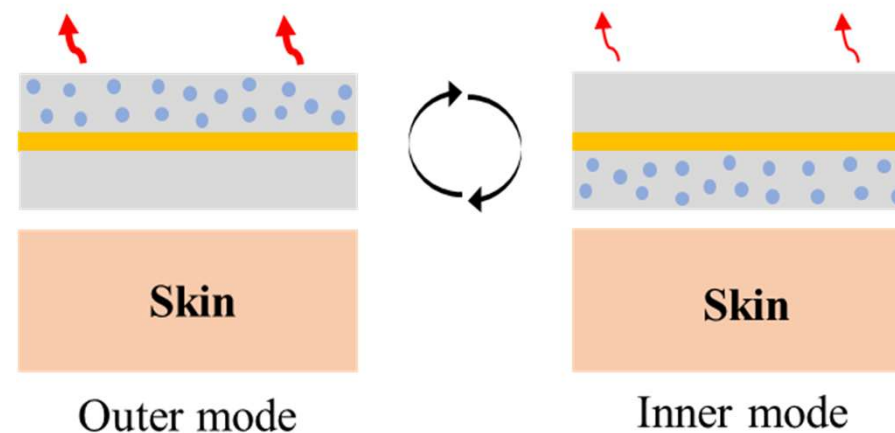
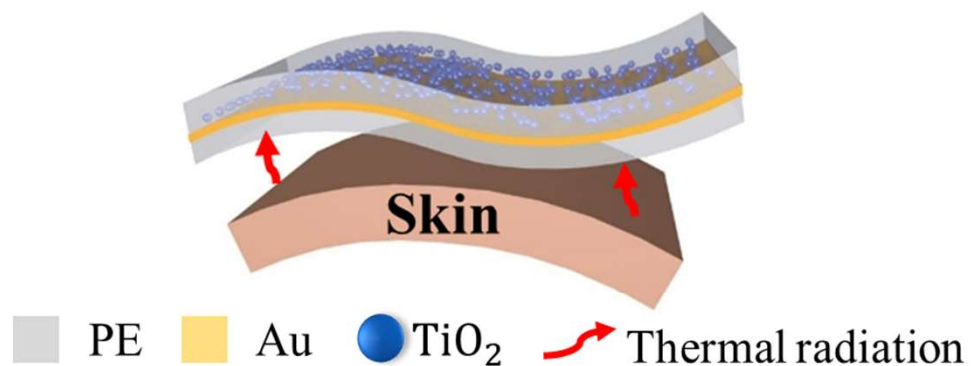




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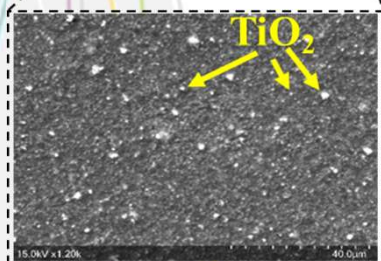
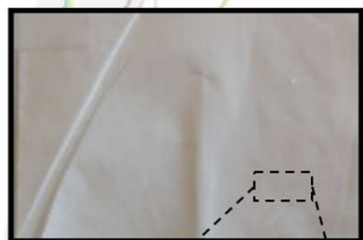
# Multilayer membrane

## Concept



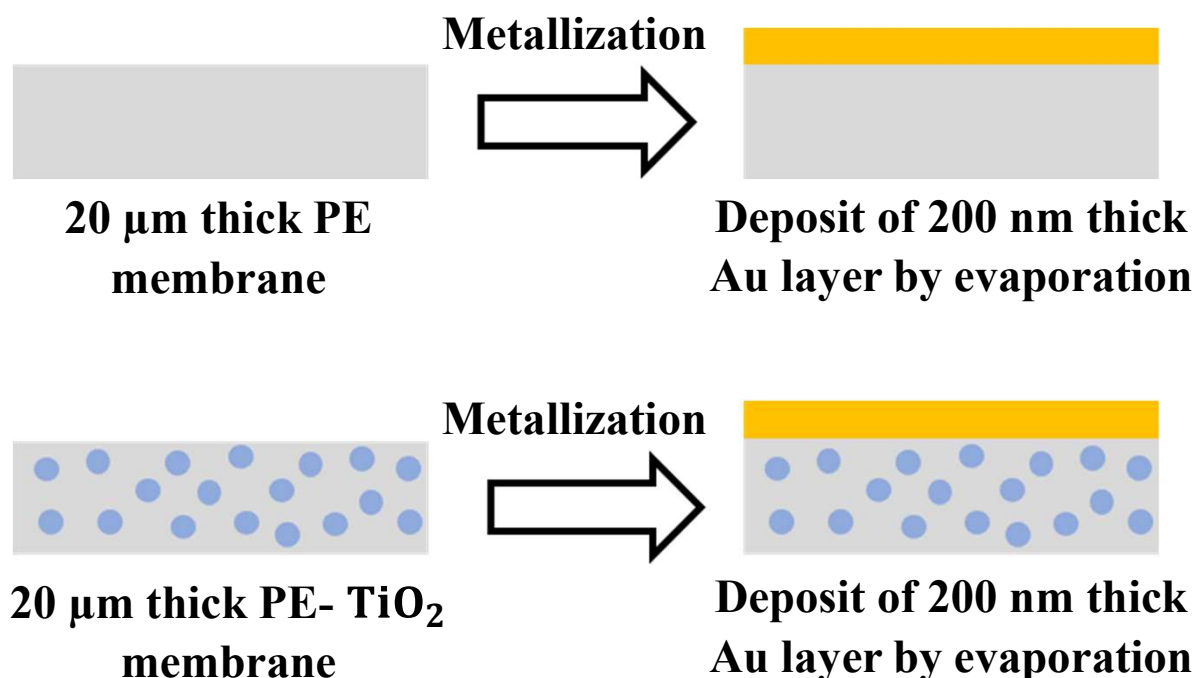
❖ Flip the structure: modulation of the emissivity towards the environment

PE membrane (thickness = 20  $\mu\text{m}$ ;  
 5 % by volume of  $\text{TiO}_2$ )



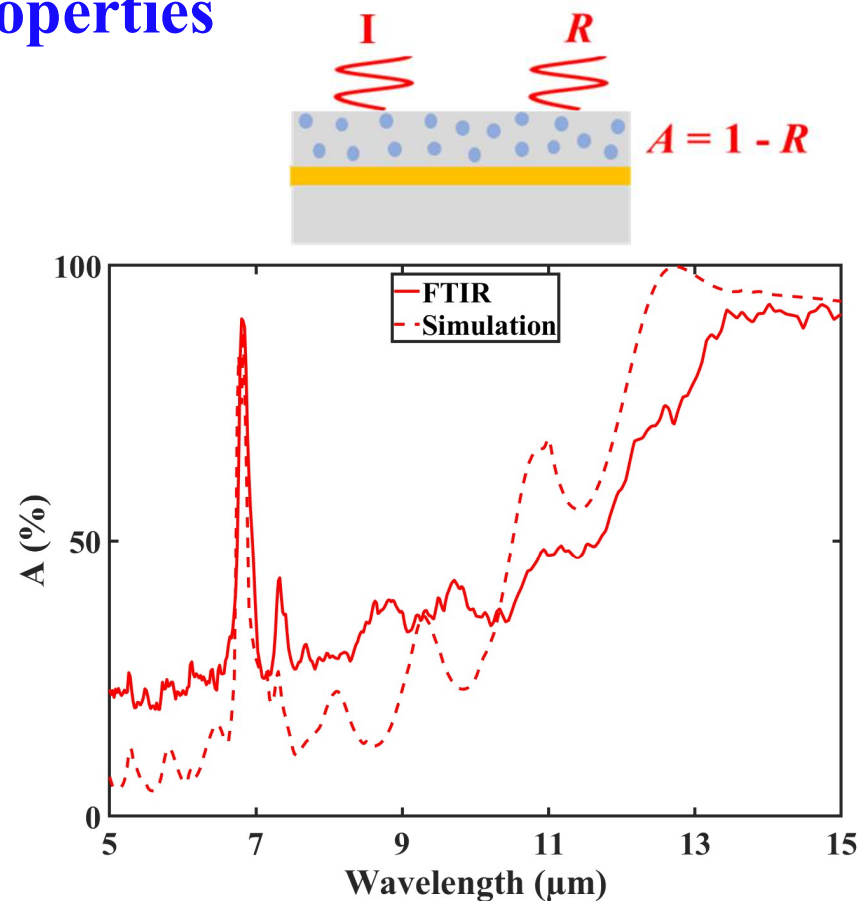
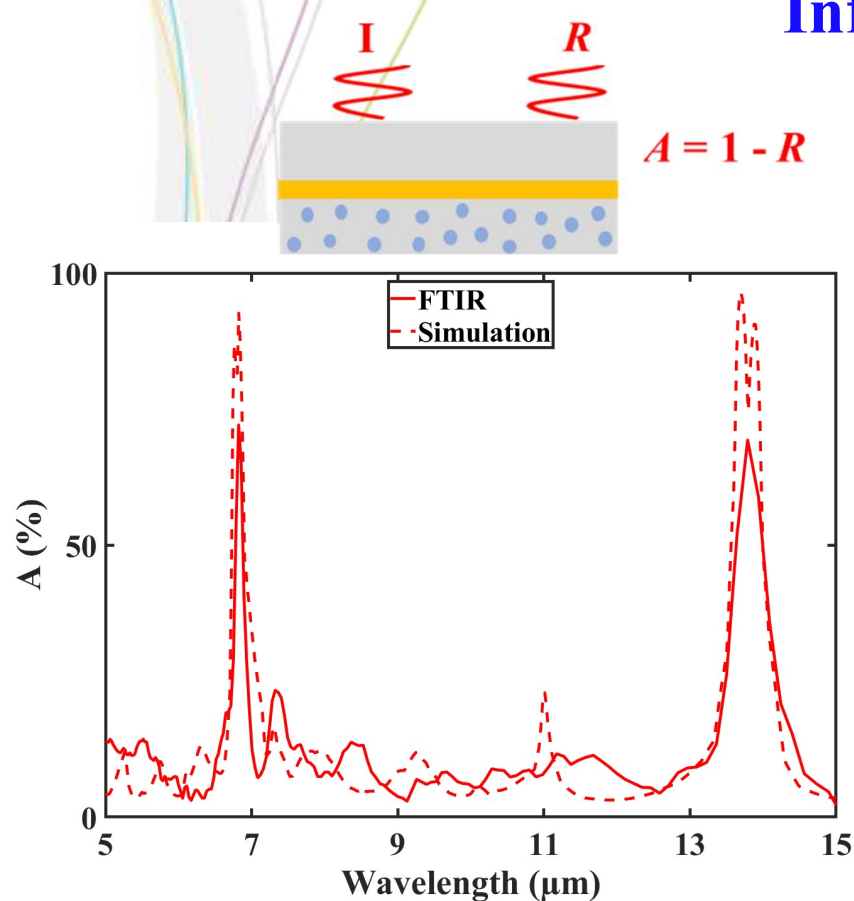
SEM image

## Multilayer membrane Morphology and fabrication



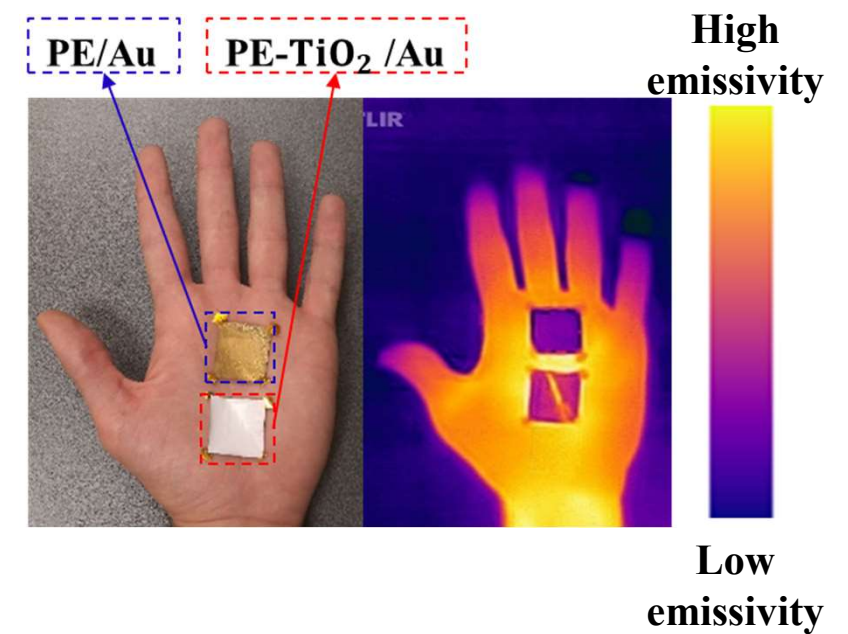
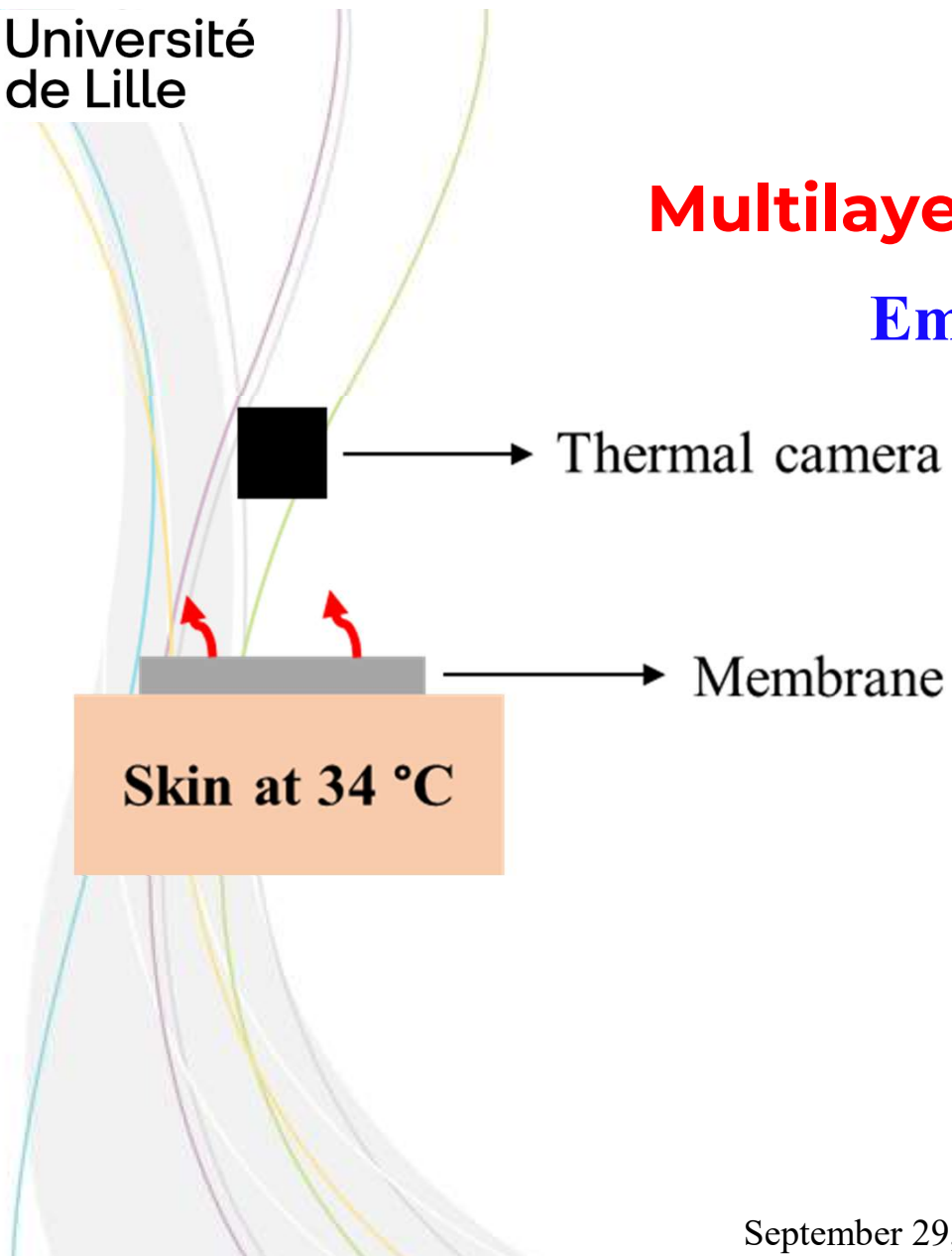
# Multilayer membrane

## Infrared properties



# Multilayer membrane

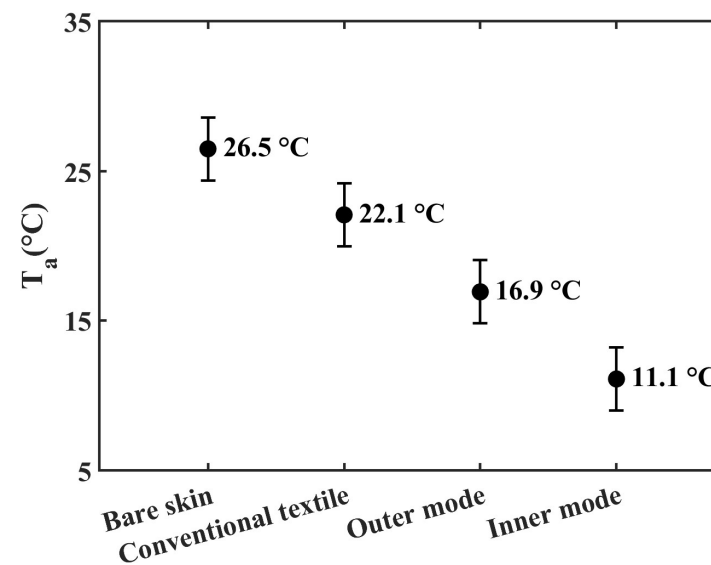
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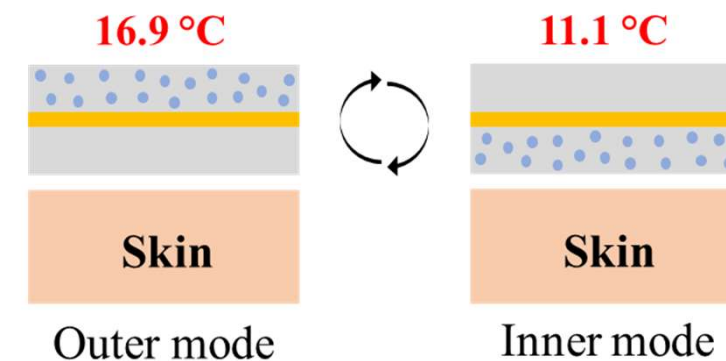
## Multilayer membrane

### Thermal performances



### Thermal comfort zone

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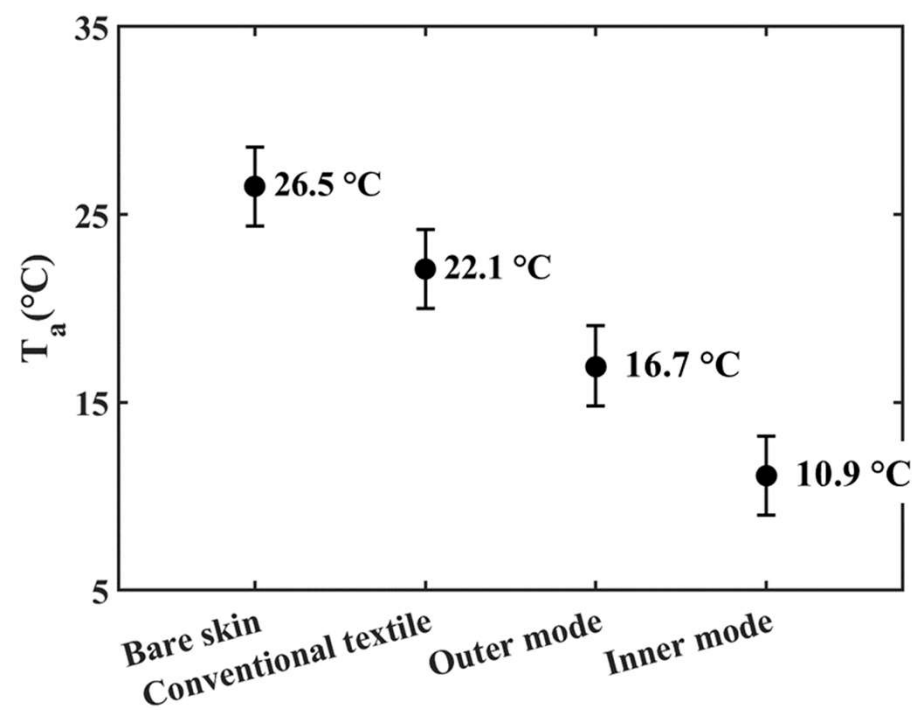
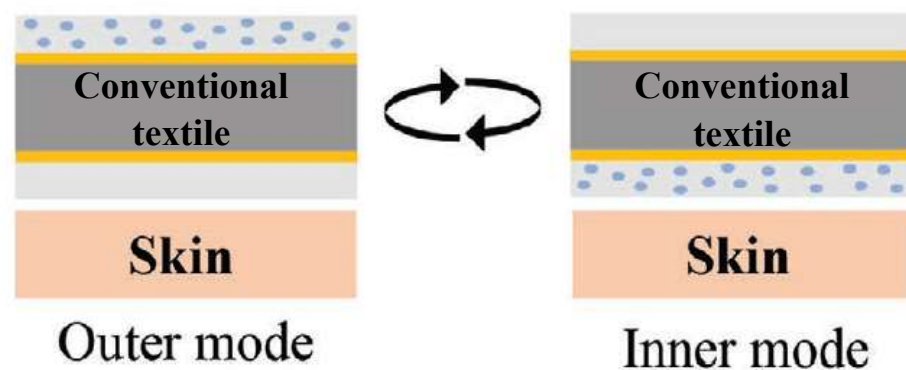


### Two working modes

### One working mode

## Multilayer membrane

### Transfer on a conventional textile



# Multilayer membrane

## Conclusion

**Multilayer membrane :**

- ☐ **Flexible**
- ☐ **Easy to manufacture**
- ☐ **Able to maintain the thermal comfort in the range [11,1-16,9] °C**

**Continuation of the work with ANR-PRCE-POCOMA project (2022-2025)**

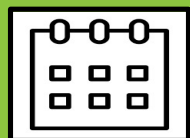
## Work Package 3 : Static and dynamic structuring of membrane

1. Materia Nova in few words
2. Surface structuring
  - a. Infrared domain interest
  - b. Sol-gel process interest
3. Sol-gel process
4. Results from Photonitex project
  - a. Static structuring
  - b. Dynamic structuring

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# Materia Nova : in few words



20 years



8 Millions €



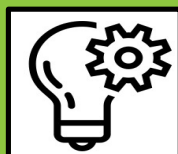
86 Experts  
(With UMONS -285 Experts)



Advanced  
equipments



Strong network



200 Project

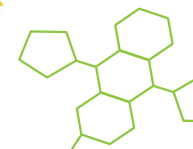


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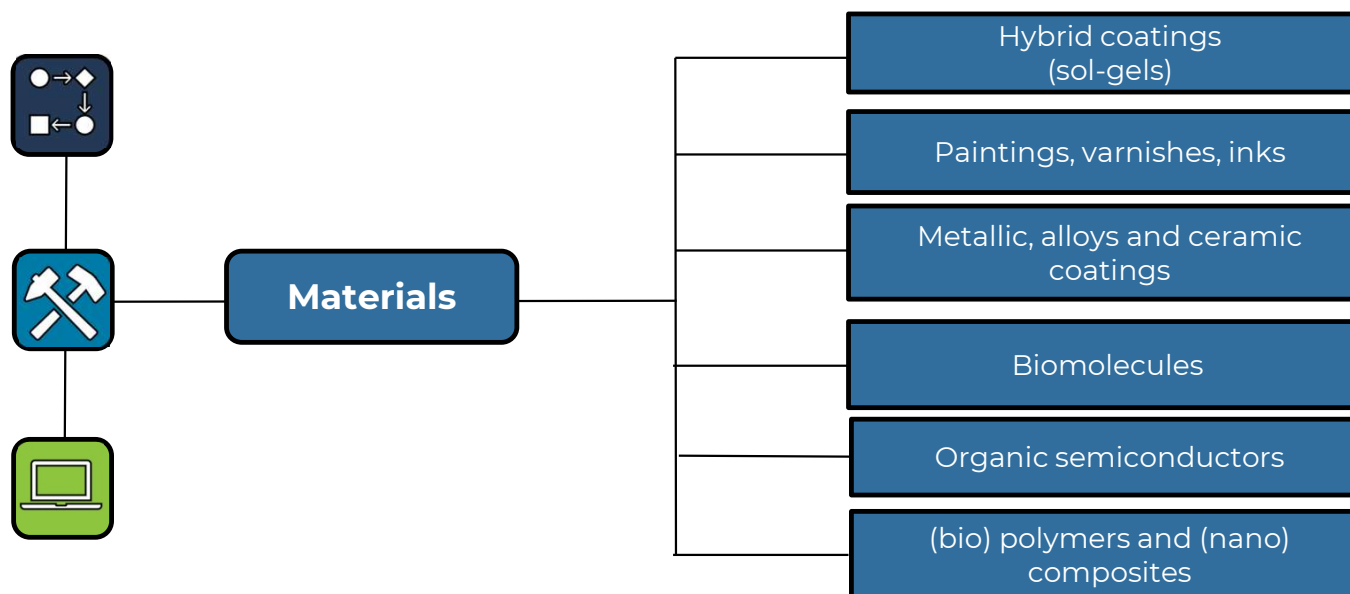
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## Our Technologies

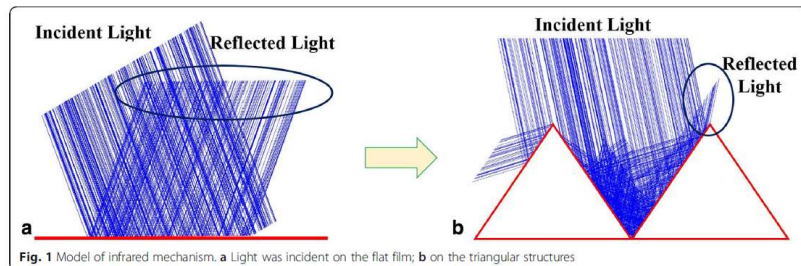
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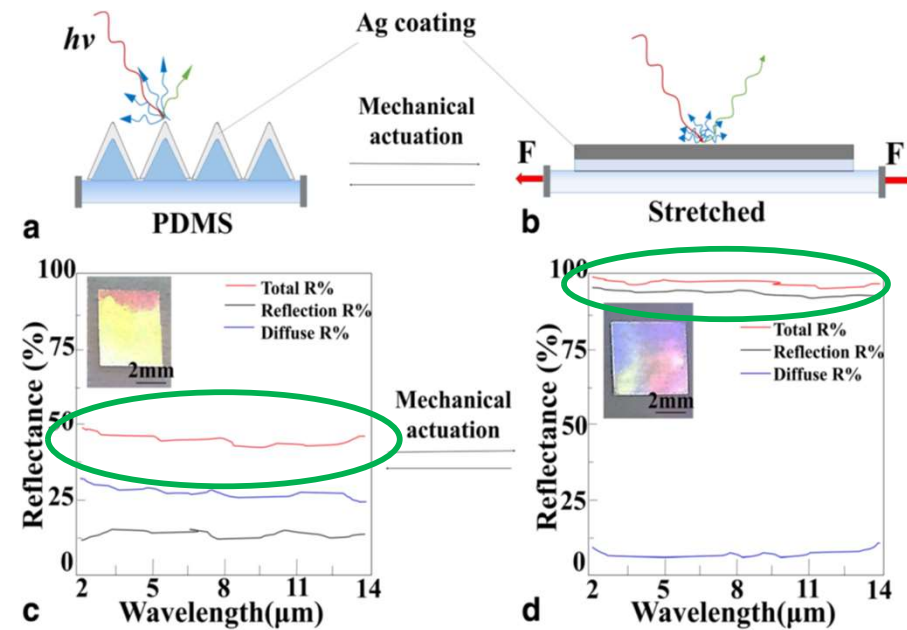
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# Surface structuring : interest in infrared domain



Wang et al. Nanoscale Research Letters  
(2018) 13:361  
<https://doi.org/10.1186/s11671-018-2783-z>



# Surface structuring : interest of sol-gel process

Cross-linking under  
vacuum

Cross-linking under temperature  
gradient

Cross-linking under UV

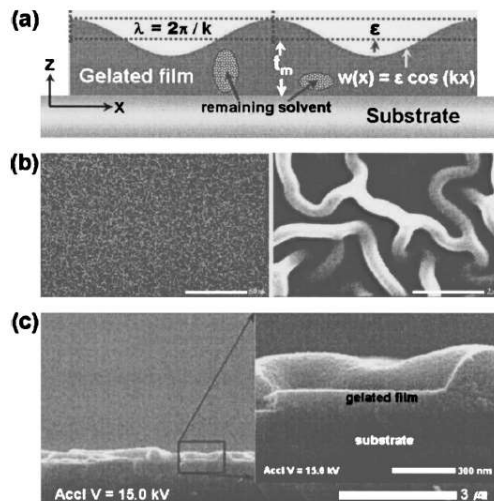


FIG. 1. (a) The geometry of the deformed sol-gel-derived film on a substrate. (b) Plane SEM images showing representative wrinkle patterns in the form of skeletal branches for the ZnO film (film thickness=85 nm) annealed at 150 °C for 18 h (scale bars are from left: 50 and 2 μm, respectively). (c) A cross-sectional FESEM image of the wrinkle patterns of the film. The inset is a magnified FESEM image of the wrinkled region.

Kwon, S. J. et al., Physical Review E, 2005, 71(1).  
DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevE.71.011604

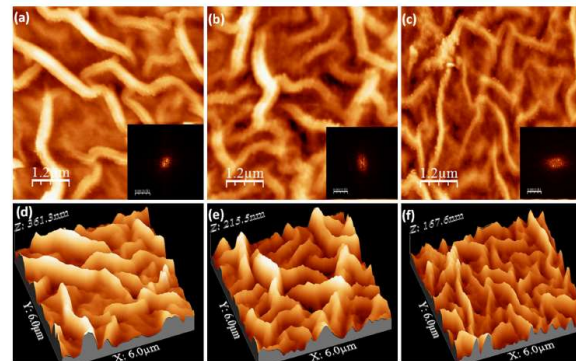


Fig. 3 Two-dimensional and three-dimensional AFM images (6 μm × 6 μm) of a, d ZnO-A, b, e ZnO-B, and c, f ZnO-C thin films prepared with different rates. Inset shows the corresponding FFT image

Navin, K. et al. Applied Physics A, 2015, 121(3),  
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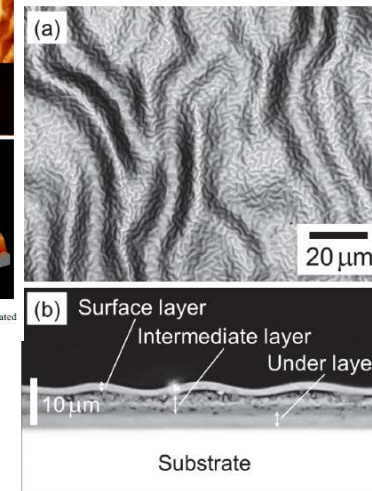
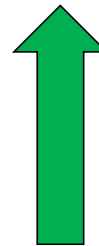


FIGURE 1. Microscopic images of the obtained films. (a) Surface image of nested wrinkles by confocal laser microscopy (LSCM) and (b) cross sectional image of nested wrinkles by optical microscopy.

Suzuki et al. AIP Conf. Proc. , 2014, 1624, 141-146  
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# Sol-gel process : principle

**Sol**

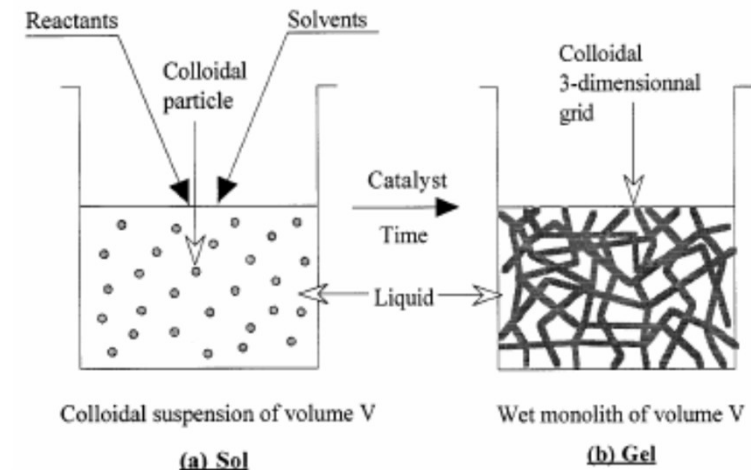
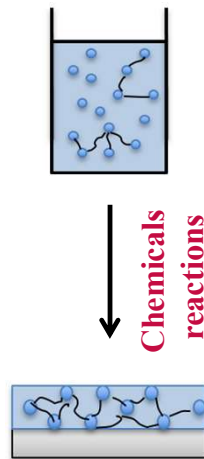
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Solution with  
precursors/solvent/  
catalyst

**Gel**

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Network cross-linking  
Ex: siloxane network

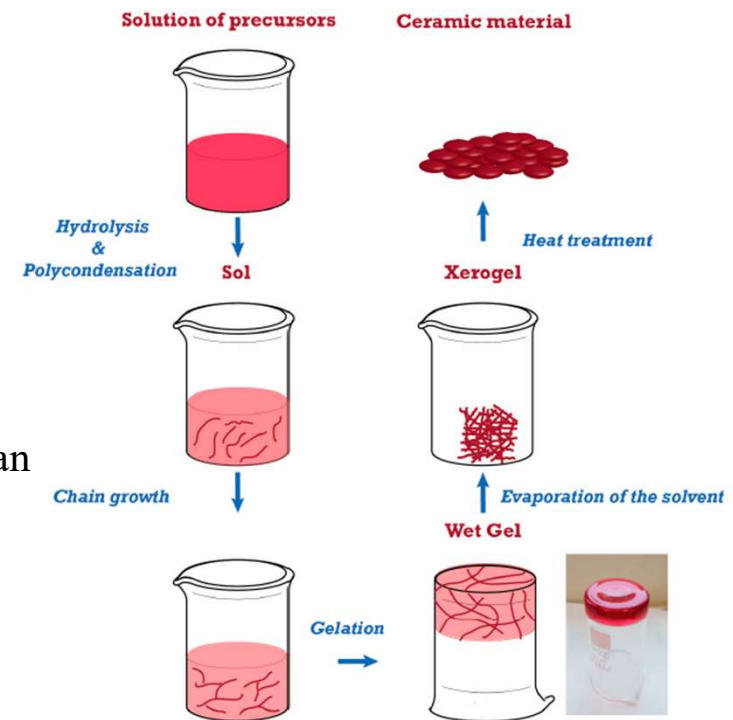


The sol-gel chemistry involves two distinct phases: solution and gelation: a sol is a colloidal suspension of solid particles, whereas a gel is an interconnected network of solid phase particles that form a continuous entity throughout a secondary, usually liquid, phase.



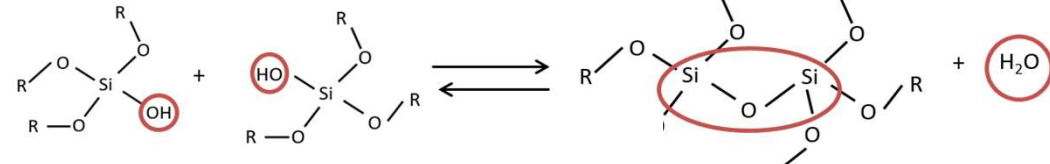
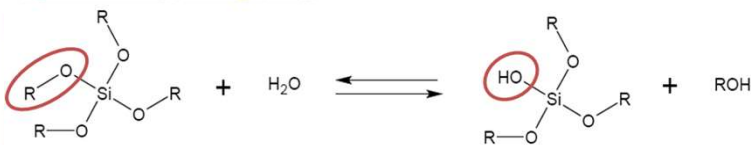
# Sol-gel process : steps of synthesis

1. Preparation of the solution of precursors.
2. Hydrolysis and partial condensation of alkoxides to form a “sol”.
3. Formation of the gel via polycondensation of hydrolyzed precursors.
4. Drying. The gel forms a dense “xerogel” via collapse of the porous network caused by the evaporation of the solvent (or an aerogel for example through supercritical drying).
5. Calcination to obtain mechanically stable materials.



## Hydrolysis

## Condensation





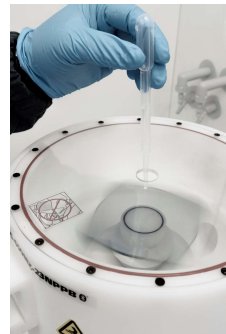
# Sol-gel process : deposition methods

## Synthesis



## Deposition

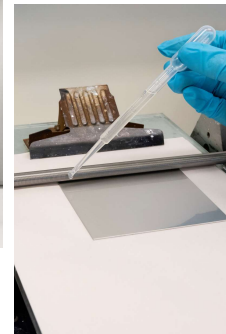
Spin coating



Dip coating



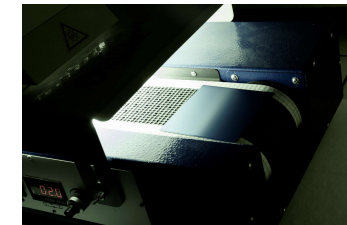
Roll coating



## Cross linking

Thermal – UV – ambient

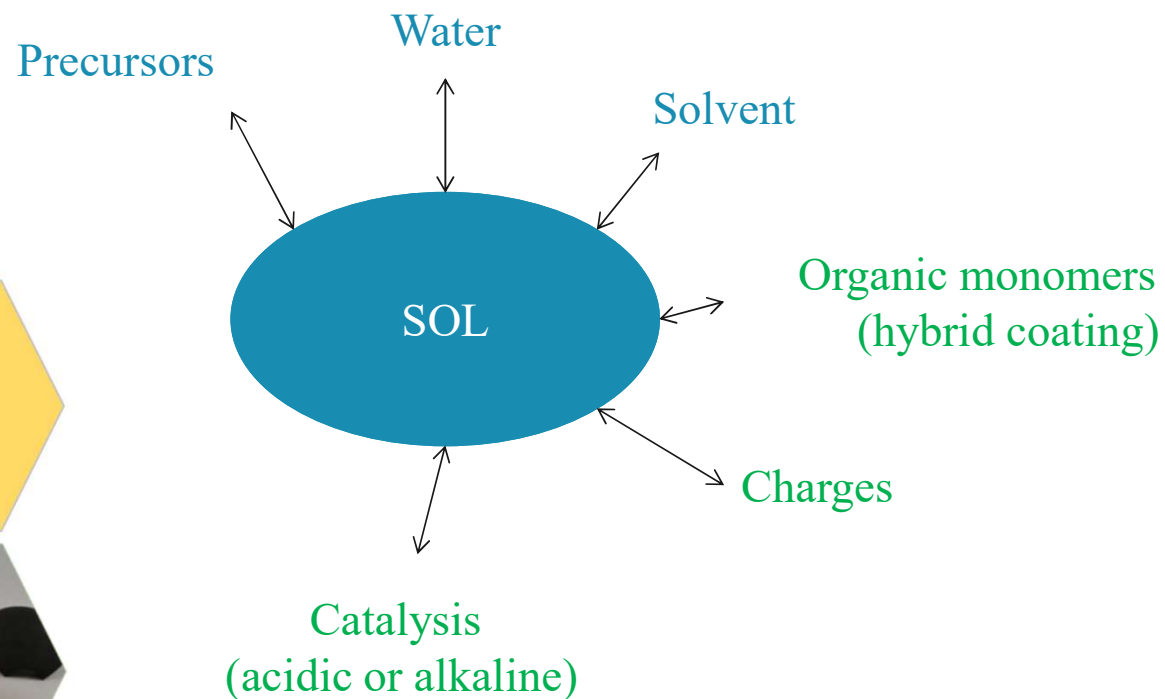
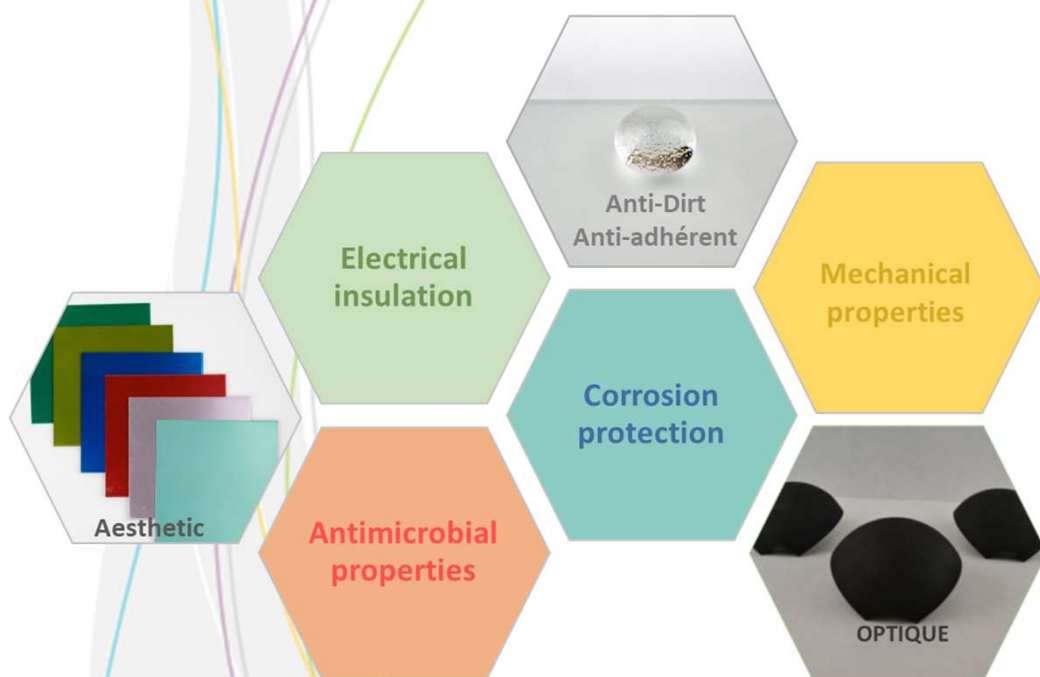
Example : UV exposition



Spray coating

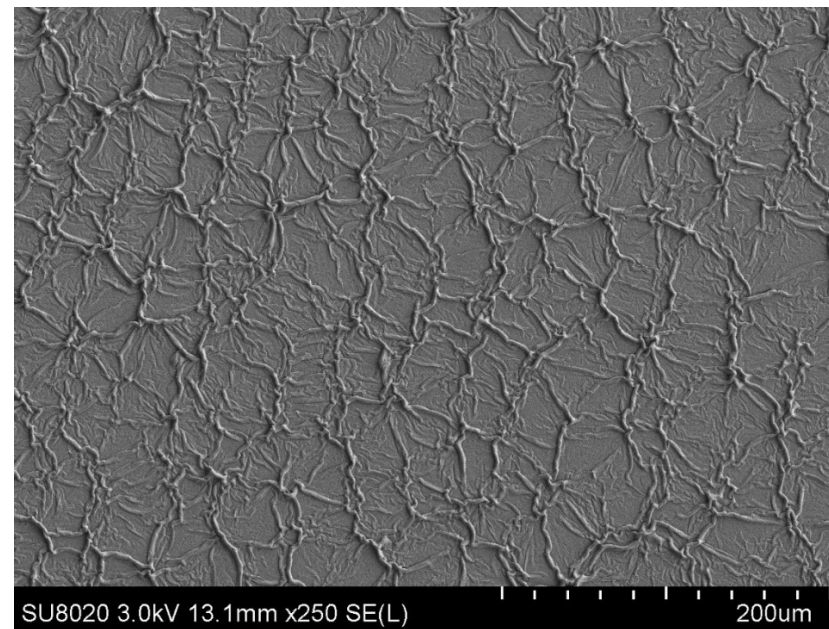
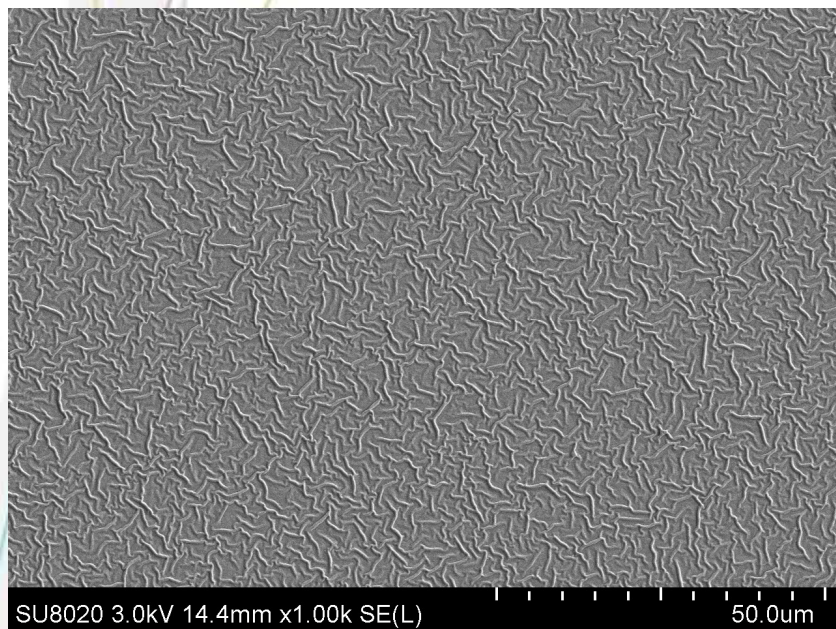
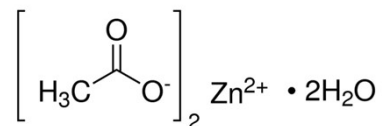


# Sol-gel process : property modulation



# Static structuring of membrane: from synthesis to characterization of the film

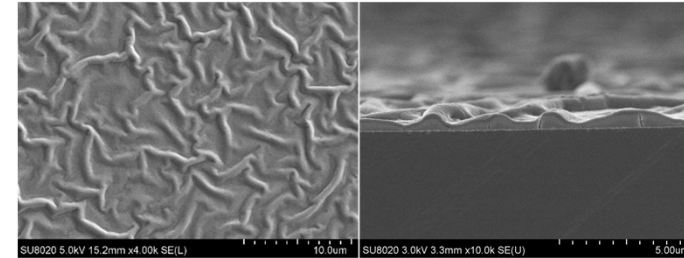
Zinc acetate precursors



Pictures obtained by SEM at the surface of the film (left by spin-coating and right par spray-coating)

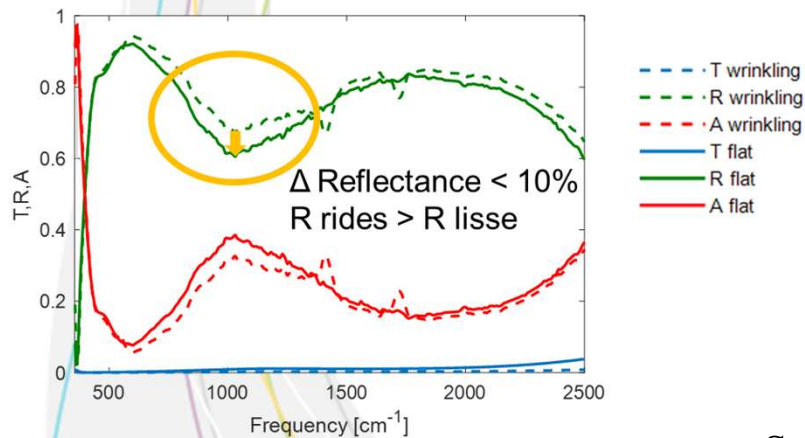


# Static structuring of membrane: results



Formulation for lower amplitude wrinkles

## Mathematical simulation of wrinkling structures



## Experimental part

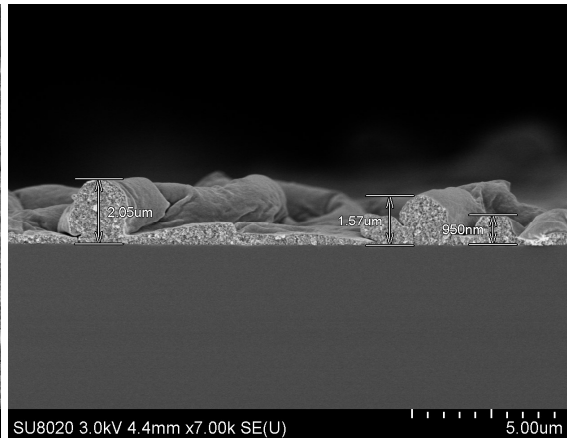
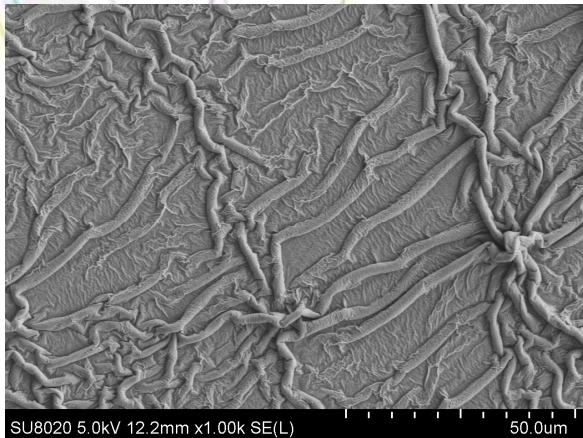
Wrinkling structures



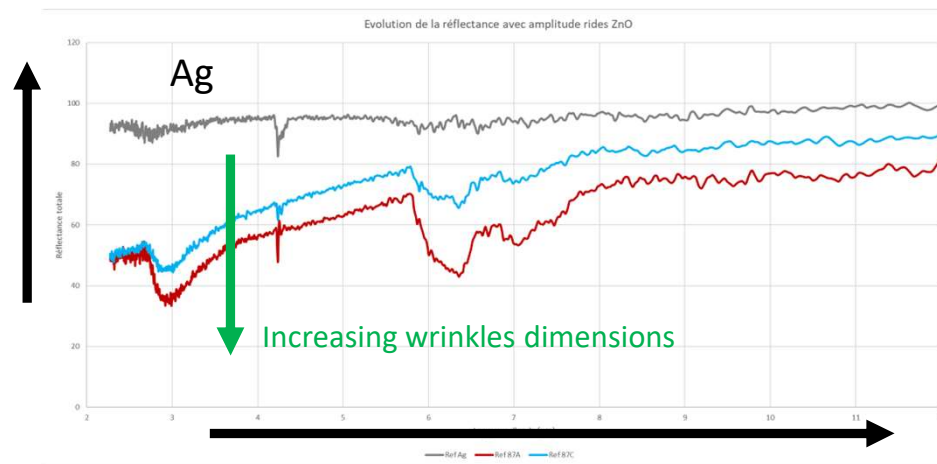
Smooth structure

HEI

# Static structuring of membrane: results



Formulation for higher  
amplitude wrinkles

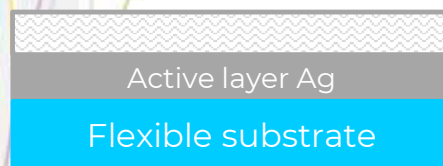




# Dynamic structuring of membrane: synthesis

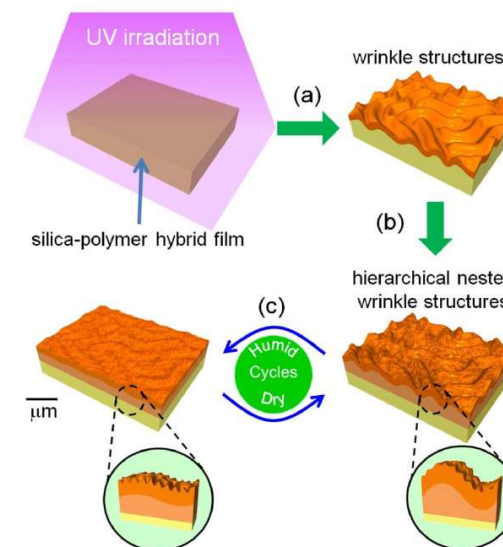
Formulation of hybrid sol-gel based on thermosensible polymer

Deposition of the hybrid sol-gel layer



Flexible sample A4 format covered with a thin layer of Ag (20 nm)

10\*10 cm<sup>2</sup> cutted for optical characterization

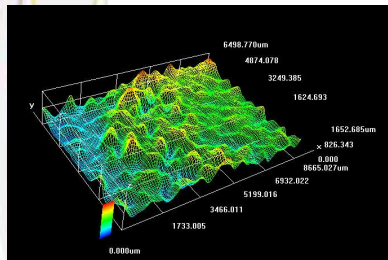


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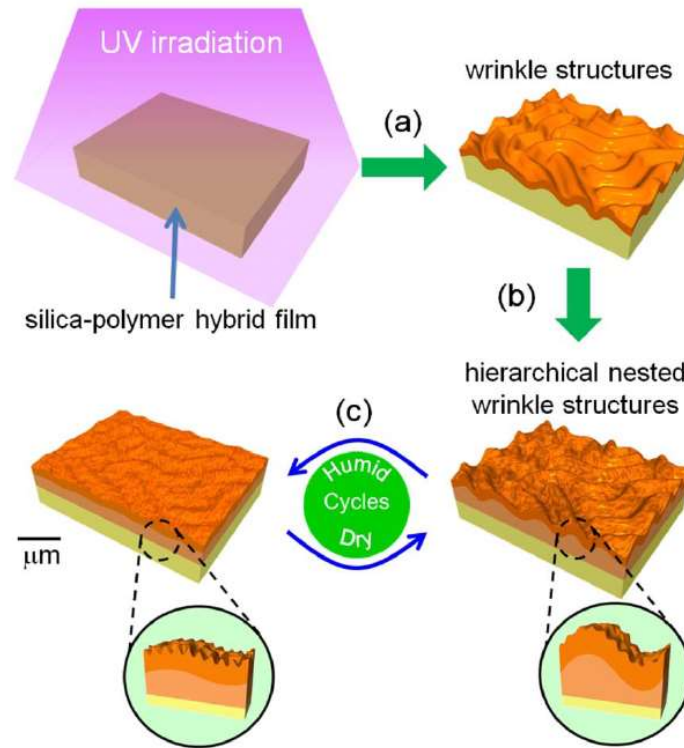
# Dynamic structuring of membrane: characterization

## Characterization by 3D microscopy

**T = 20°C, HR 70%**



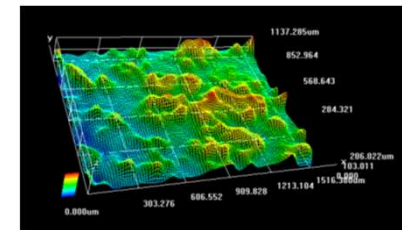
**$R_a = 0.4 \pm 0.1 \mu\text{m}$   
 $R_z = 0.8 \pm 0.2 \mu\text{m}$**



$R_z (\mu\text{m})$  (maximum height of the profile)

$R_a (\mu\text{m})$  (average height of the profile)

**T = 45°C, HR 0%**



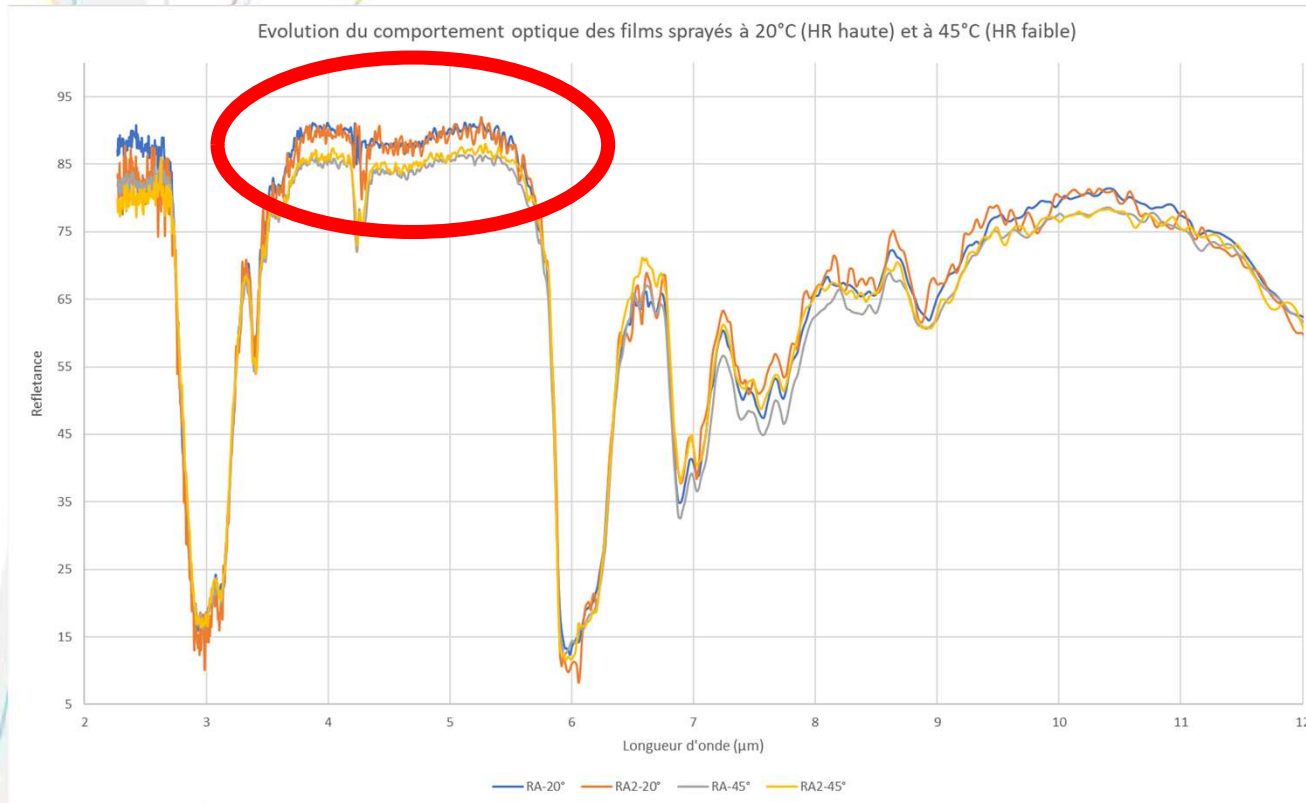
**$R_a = 2.3 \pm 0.5 \mu\text{m}$   
 $R_z = 5.3 \pm 0.3 \mu\text{m}$**

=> Study of optical properties with surface modifications

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# Dynamic structuring of membrane: optical properties in infrared region

On both sides of LCST, 25°C (RH high) and at 45°C (RH low)

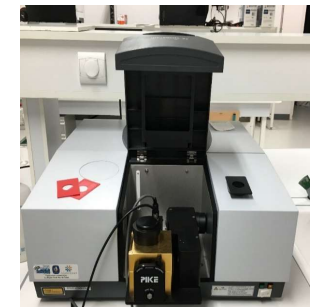


Hybrid sol gel formulation

Conditioning at  
climatic



Characterization  
with FTIR



Between 3.5 μm and 5.5 μm (IR regions), different of optical response between « smooth » structures and « rough » structures => dependance of the dimensions of wrinklins structures

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# Conclusions & Perspectives

## ❑ Static wrinkling structures by sol-gel process on membrane:

- Nanometric and micrometric wrinklins structures could be obtained by solgel process by spray or spin deposition
- **Proof of concept** that the wrinklins (# smooth structures) structures have an impact on optical response in infrared region
- Experimental part could be fitted by modelisation

## ❑ Dynamic wrinkling structures by sol-gel process on membrane:

- Hybrid solgel containing a organic thermosensible part could be synthesized
- Spray deposition could be achieved on **A4** flexible substrate (PI covered by Ag)
- Surface structure evolved with T and RH (Ra, Rz)
- Optical response (Reflectance) in infrared region evolved with T and RH

## ➤ Others properties of sol-gel in membrane needed to be evaluated

## ➤ Applications on fibers

**Work Package 3 and 4 : Static and dynamic structuring of membrane and filaments**

## **Design of dynamic hydrogel-based materials for near-IR thermal management fabrics**



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## Laboratory Of Polymeric And Composite Materials



### Projects

### Research

- Natural, reborn and eco-friendly polymers
- Sustainable Polymer materials & related (Nano)composites
- Macromolecular Engineering
- Reactive extrusion and Eco-friendly processes
- Adaptive Polymeric Materials & Additive Manufacturing



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## Gemtex: Textile Research Laboratory

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### Research

#### 1. Multifunctional Textiles and Processes

- Nanostructuration of textile materials
- Surface treatments of textile structures

#### 2. Mechanics Textile Composites

- Ballistics
- Textiles reinforced composites

#### 3. Human Centered Design

- Sensory design into design processes
- Smart and multifunctional textiles

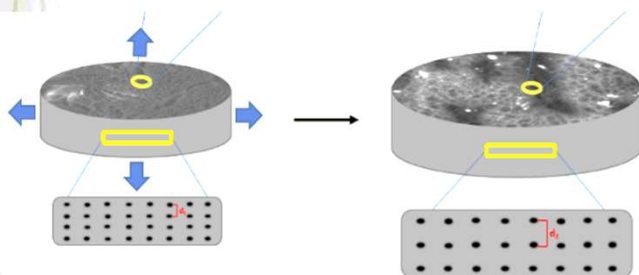
### Projects



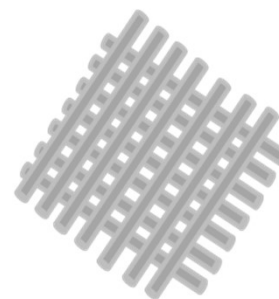
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# Design of dynamic hydrogel-based materials for near-IR thermal management fabrics

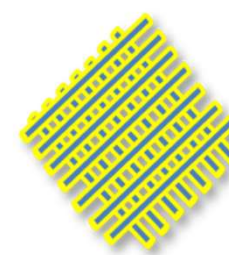
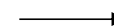
## Photonic dynamic structures



## Design of thermoregulating textiles



Pure fabric

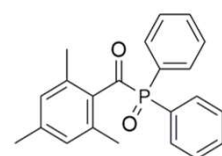
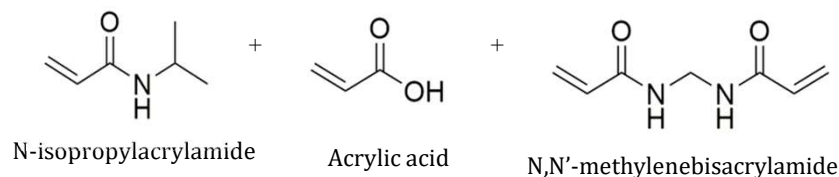


Coated fabric

# Design and demonstration of dynamic self-structuring membranes in the modulation of infrared radiation reflection

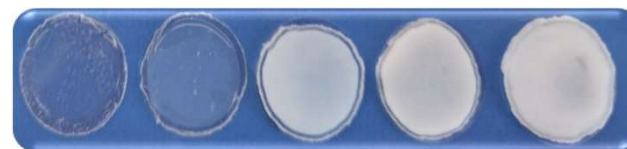
**Design of hydrogels composite:**  
P(nipam-AA)/SiO<sub>2</sub>

Free radical photo-polymerization



SiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles

**Photo-polimerization**

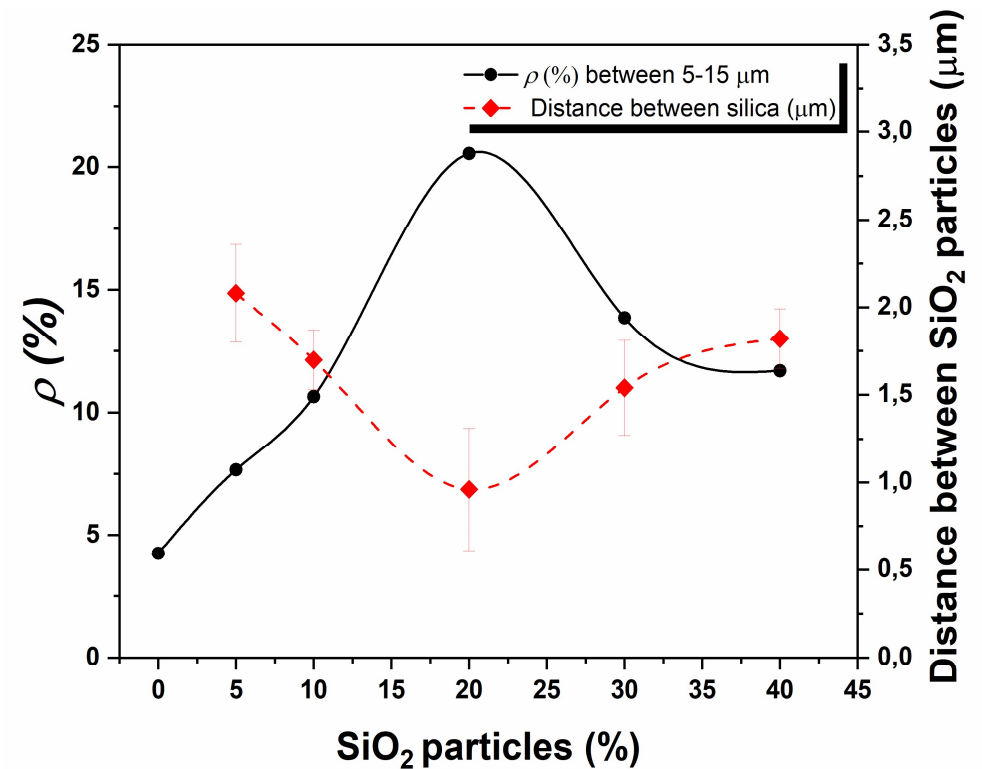
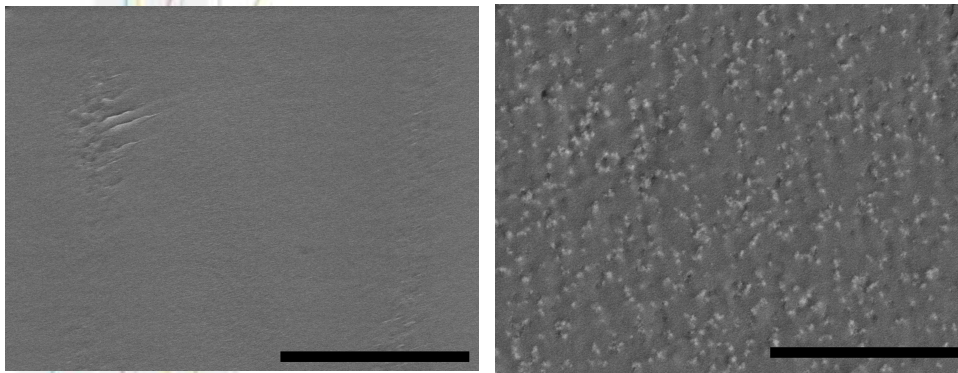


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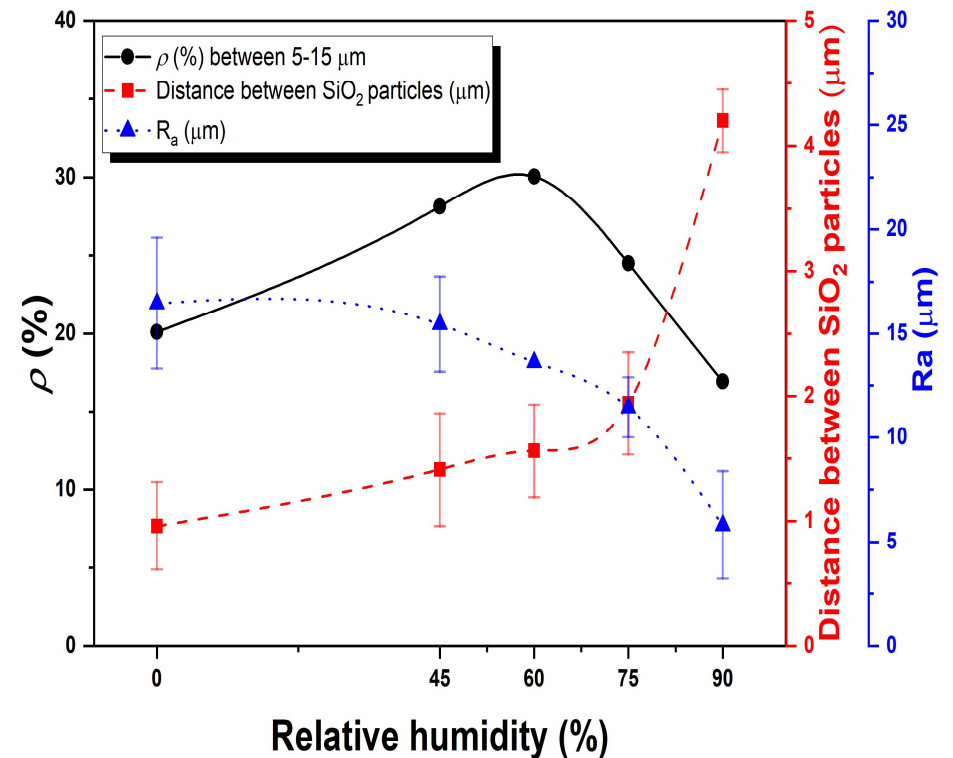
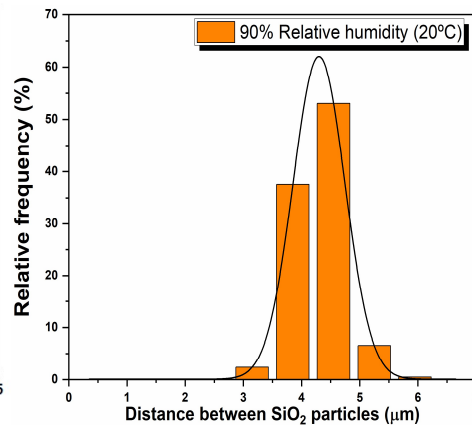
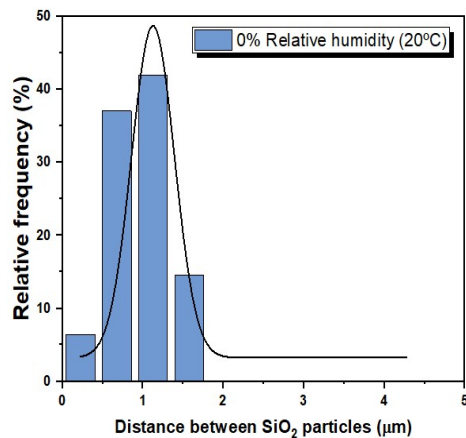
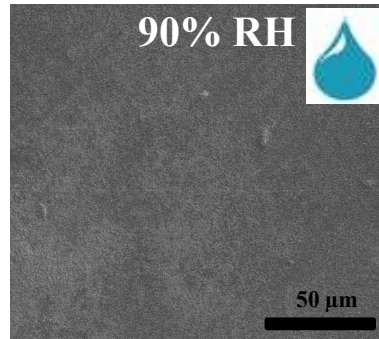
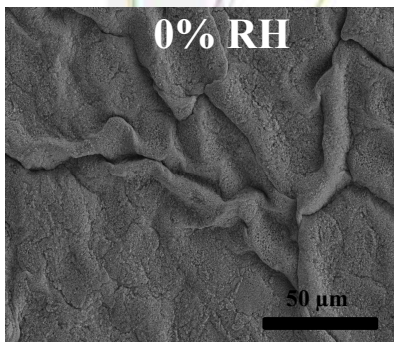
Infrared responsive: SiO<sub>2</sub> effect





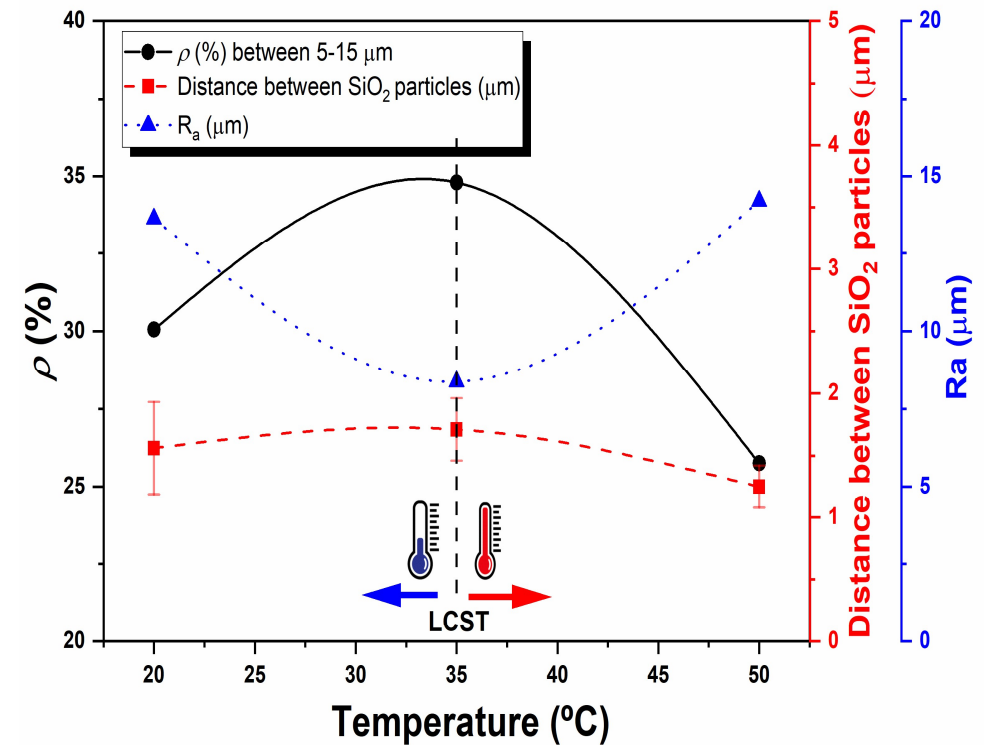
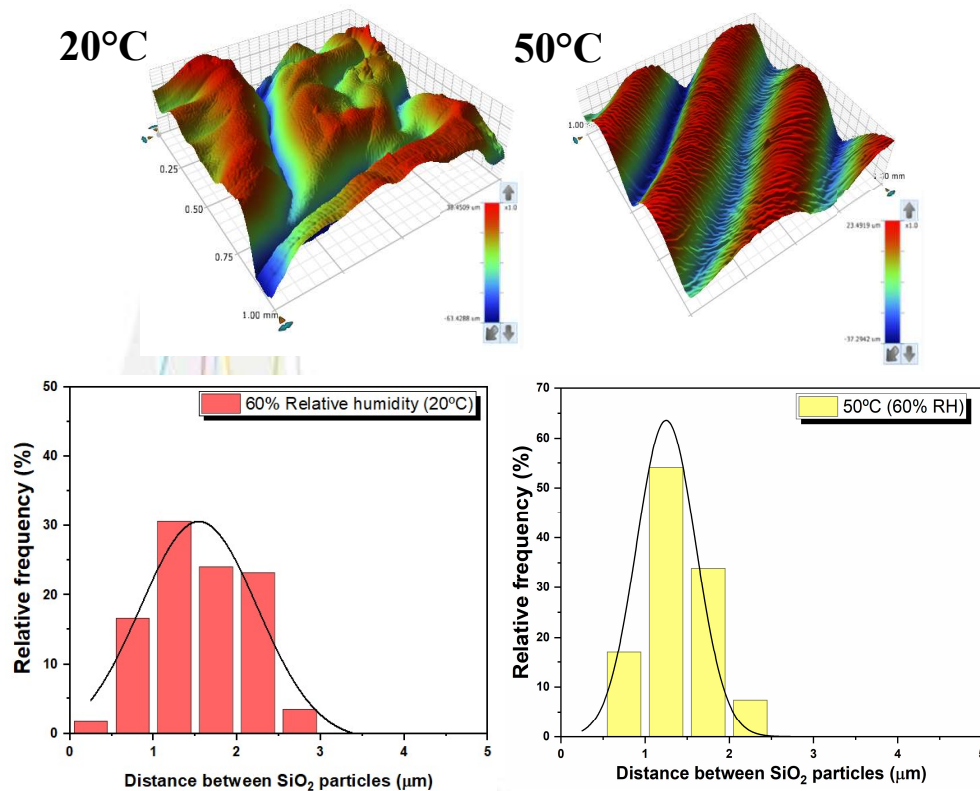
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**Infrared responsive: Relative humidity effect**



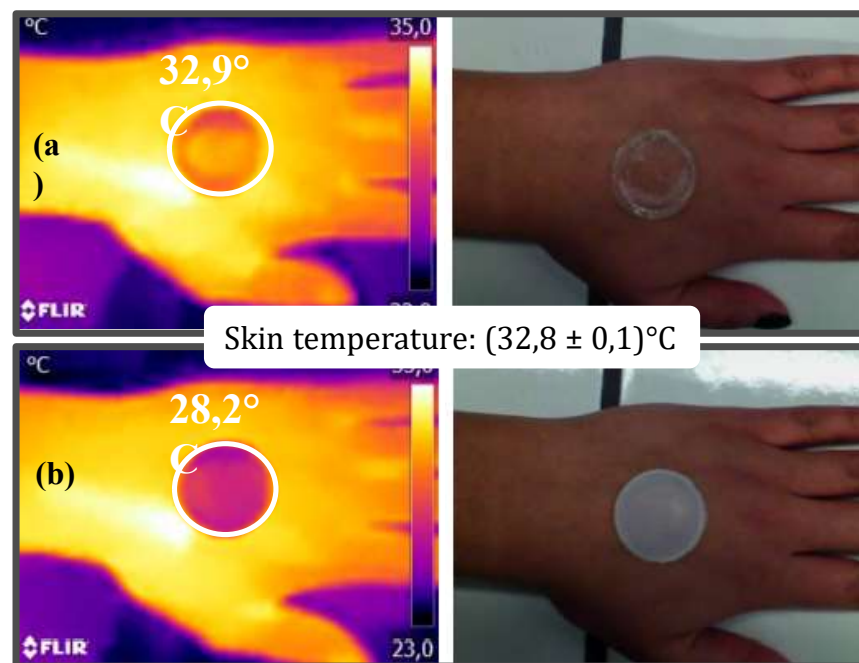
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**Infrared responsive: Temperature effect**



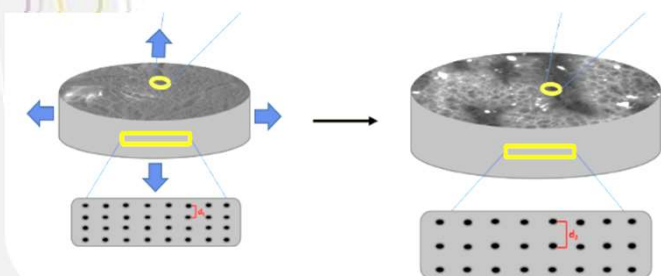
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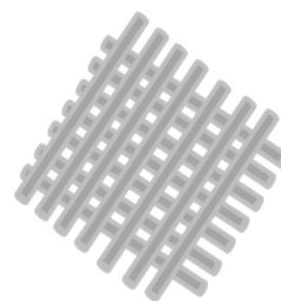


## Design of dynamic hydrogel-based materials for near-IR thermal management fabrics

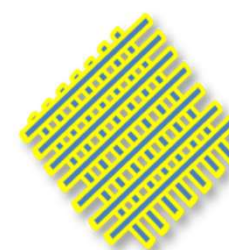
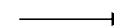
Photonic dynamic structures



Design of thermoregulating textiles



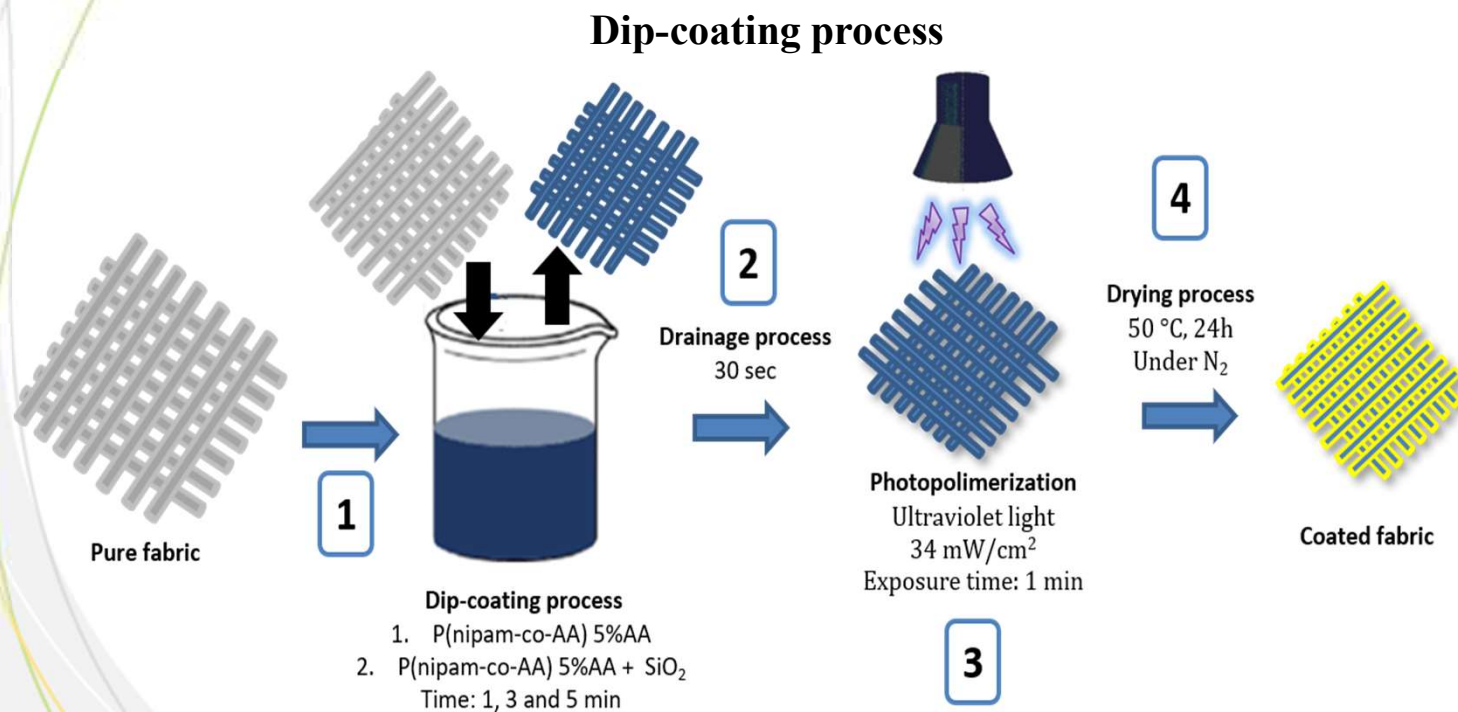
Pure fabric



Coated fabric



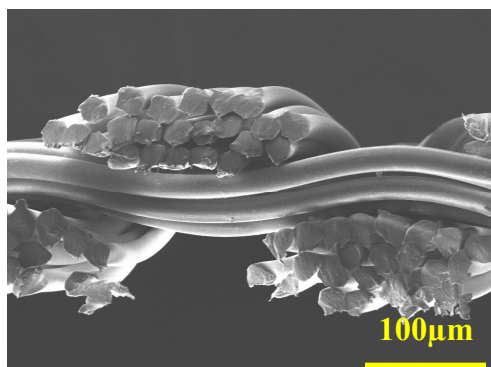
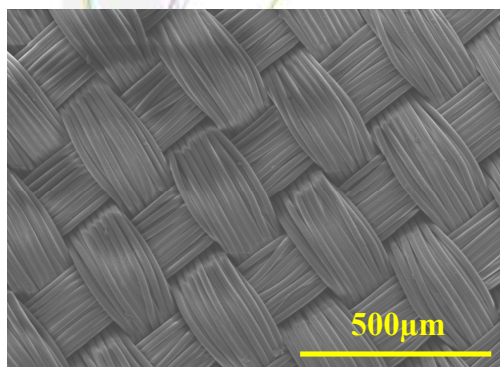
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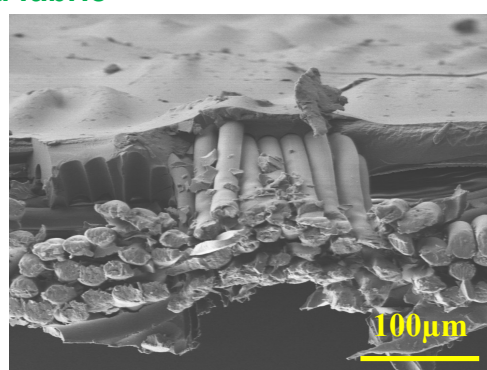
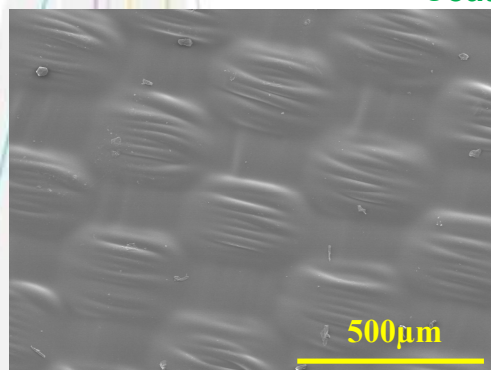


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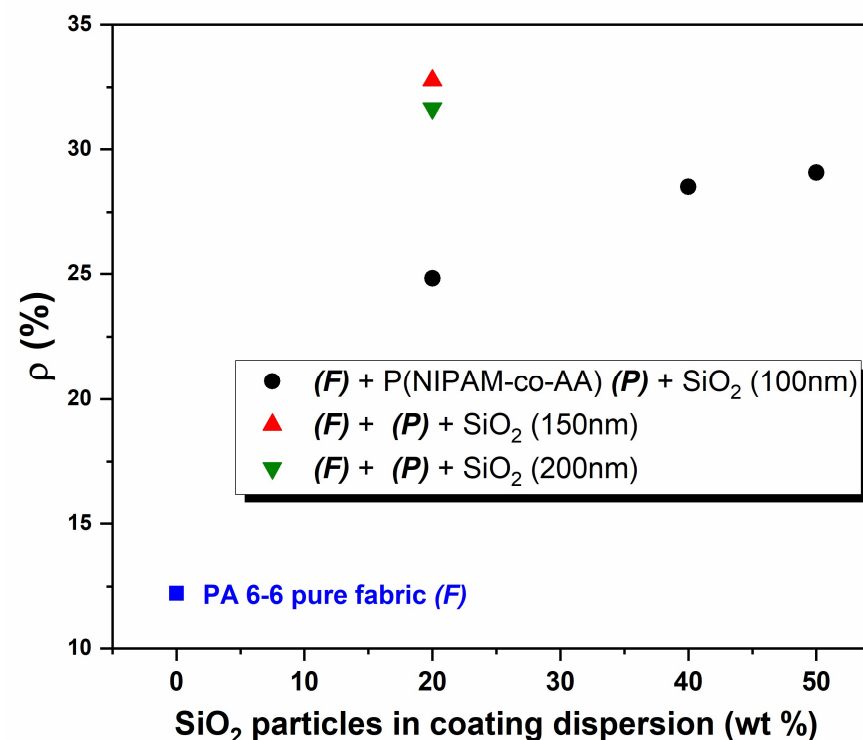
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Coated fabric

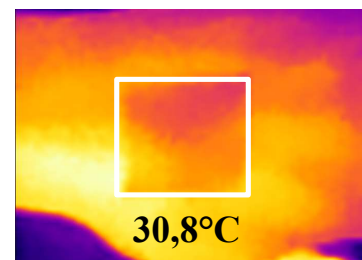


Infrared responsive:  
Size and wt%  $\text{SiO}_2$  effect

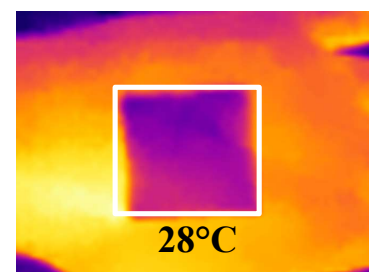


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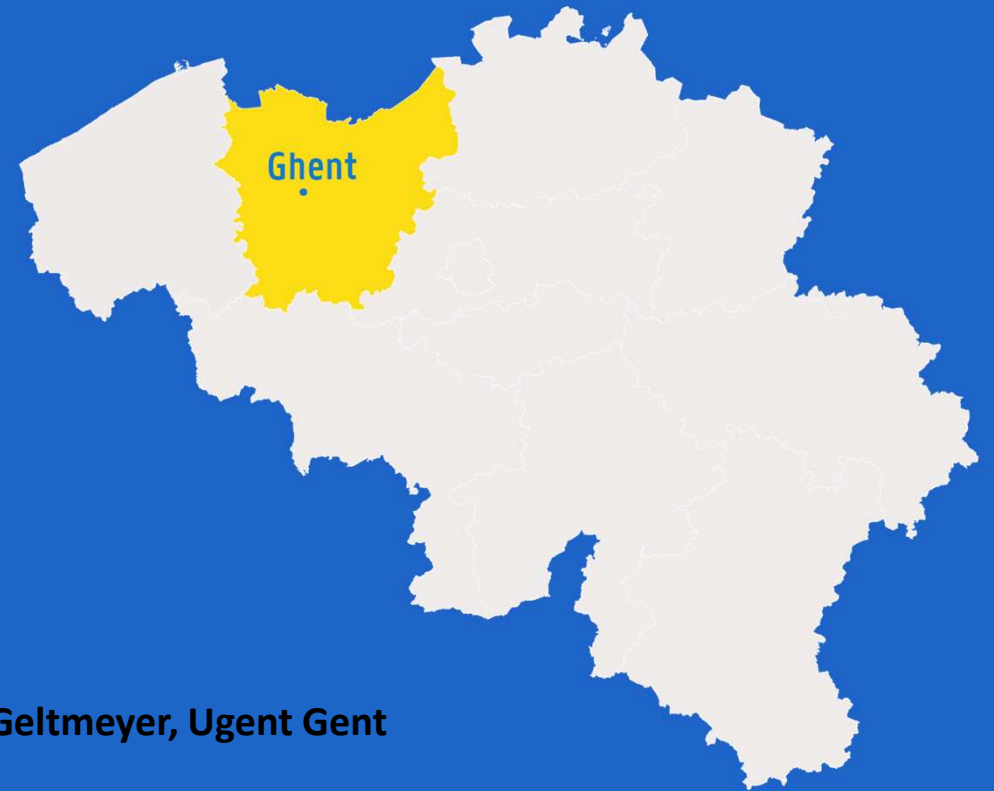


Sample	Temperature between skin and fabric(°C)
<i>PA 6-6 pure fabric</i>	31,1
<i>Coated fabric</i>	33,3

## Work Package 3 and 4 : Static and dynamic structuring of membrane and filaments

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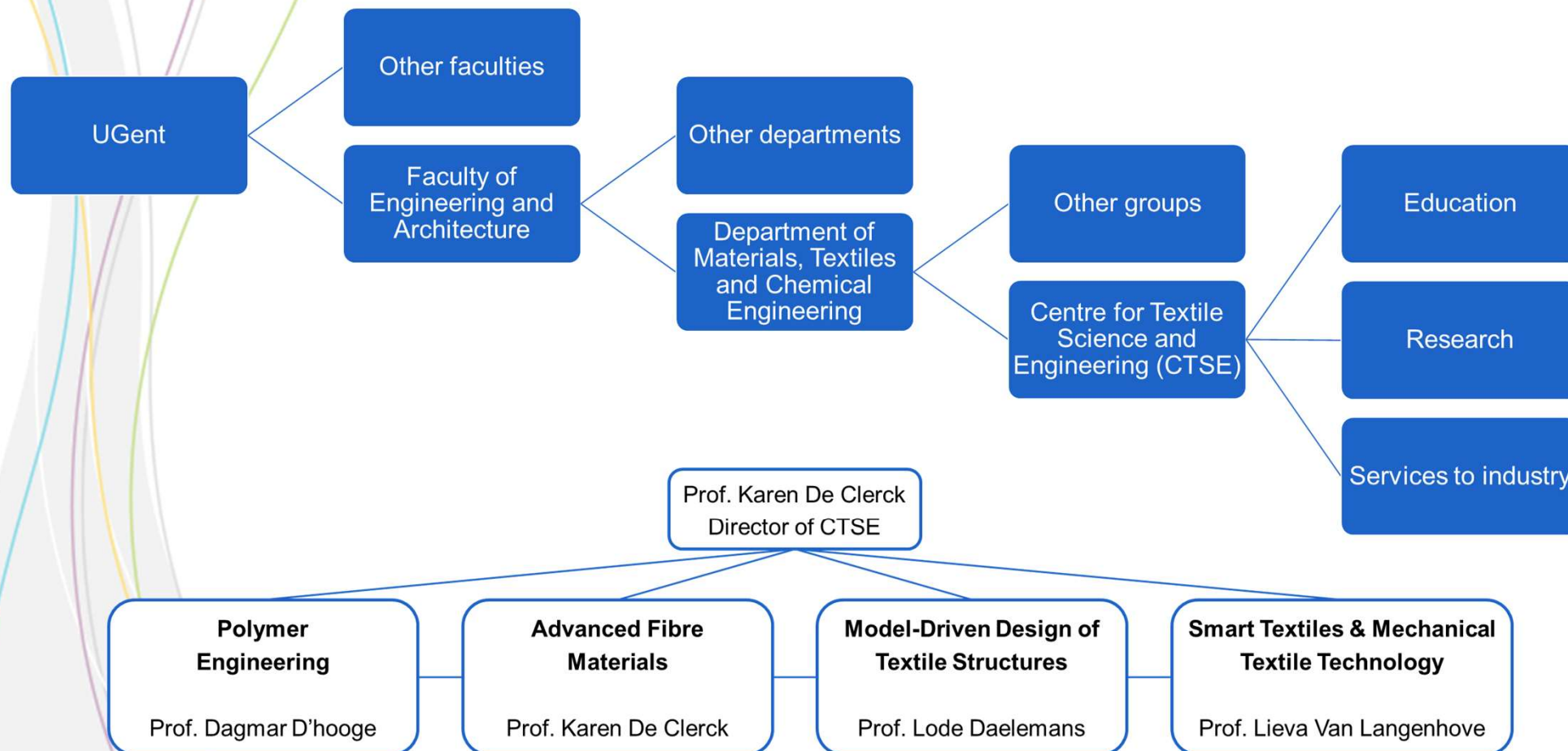
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263.600 inhabitants  
76.500 students  
167 nationalities  
1.400 restaurants & cafés  
3.600 startups per year

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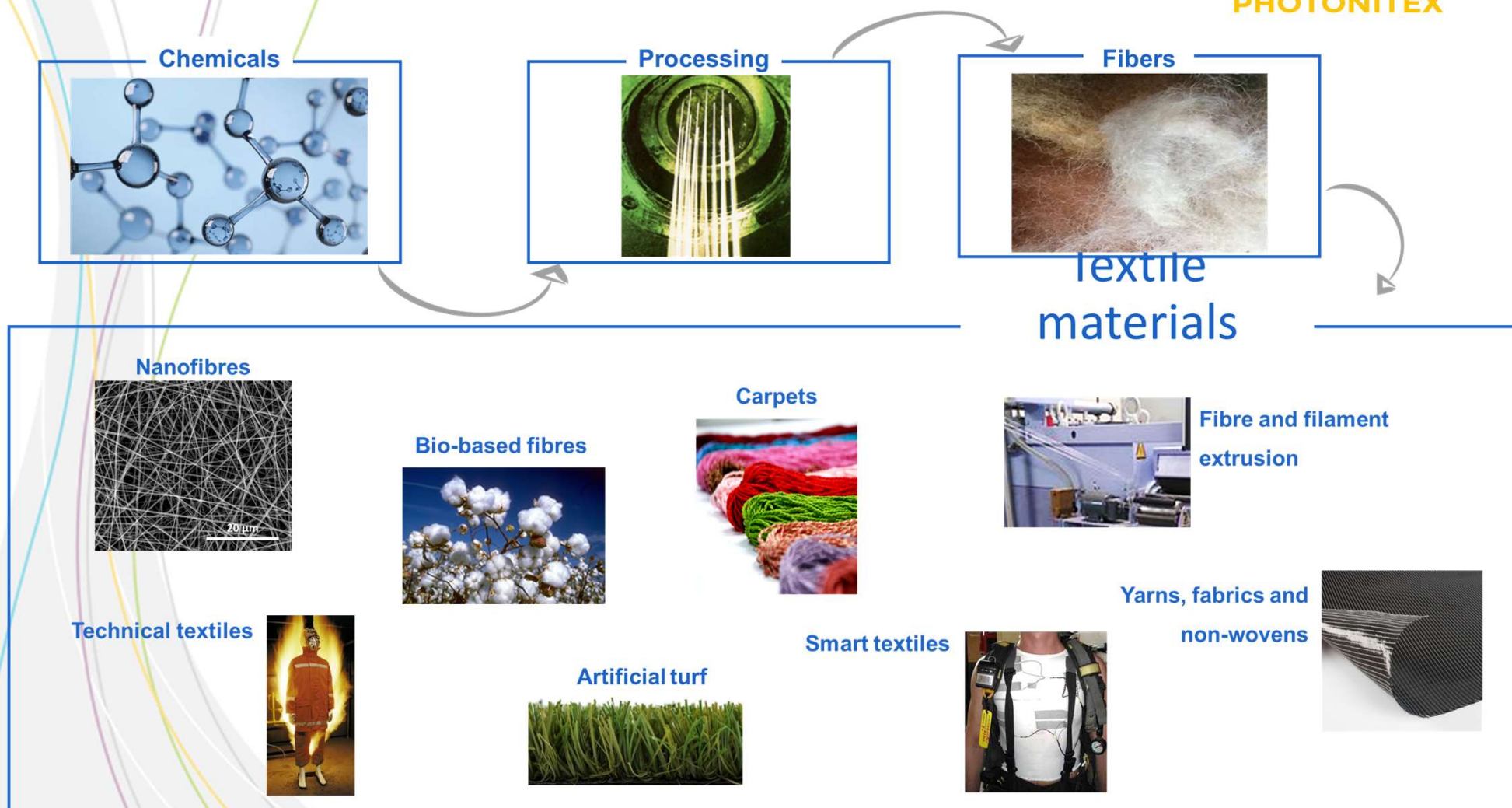
# CTSE WITHIN UGENT



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# AT CTSE WE STUDY ALL TYPES OF TEXTILE MATERIALS

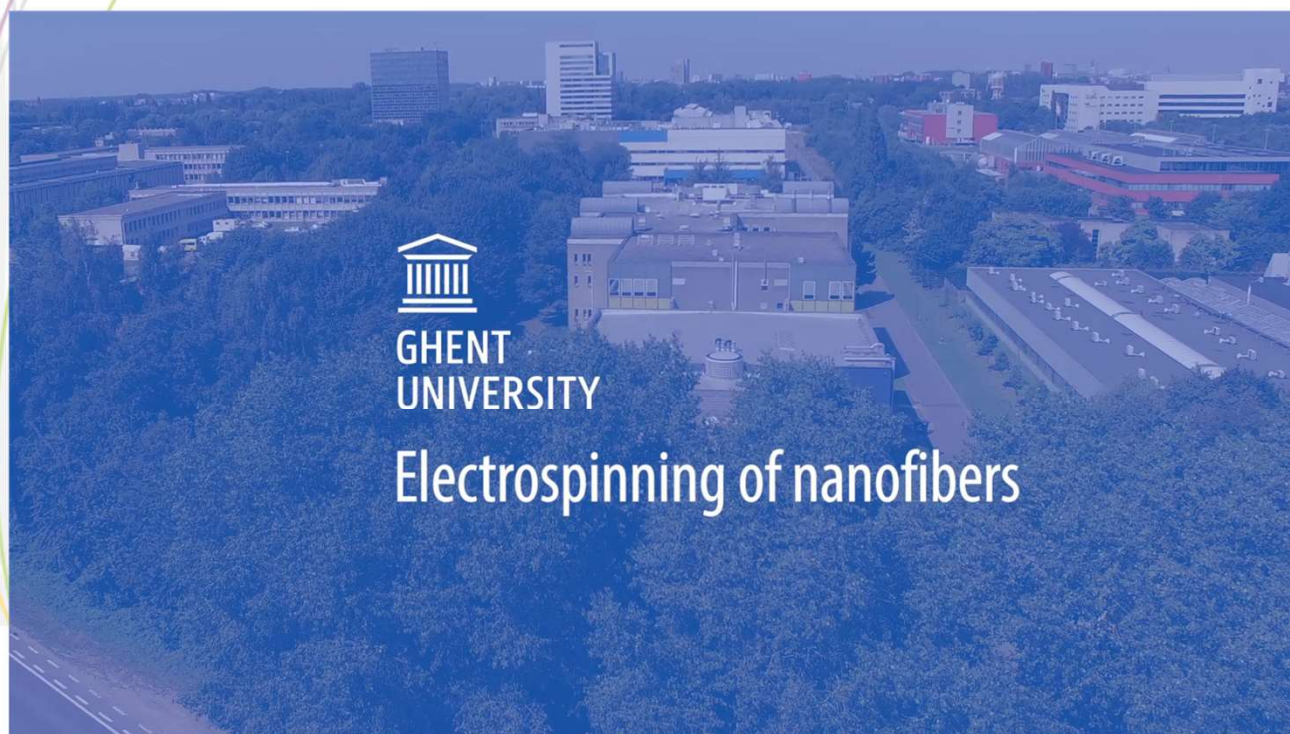
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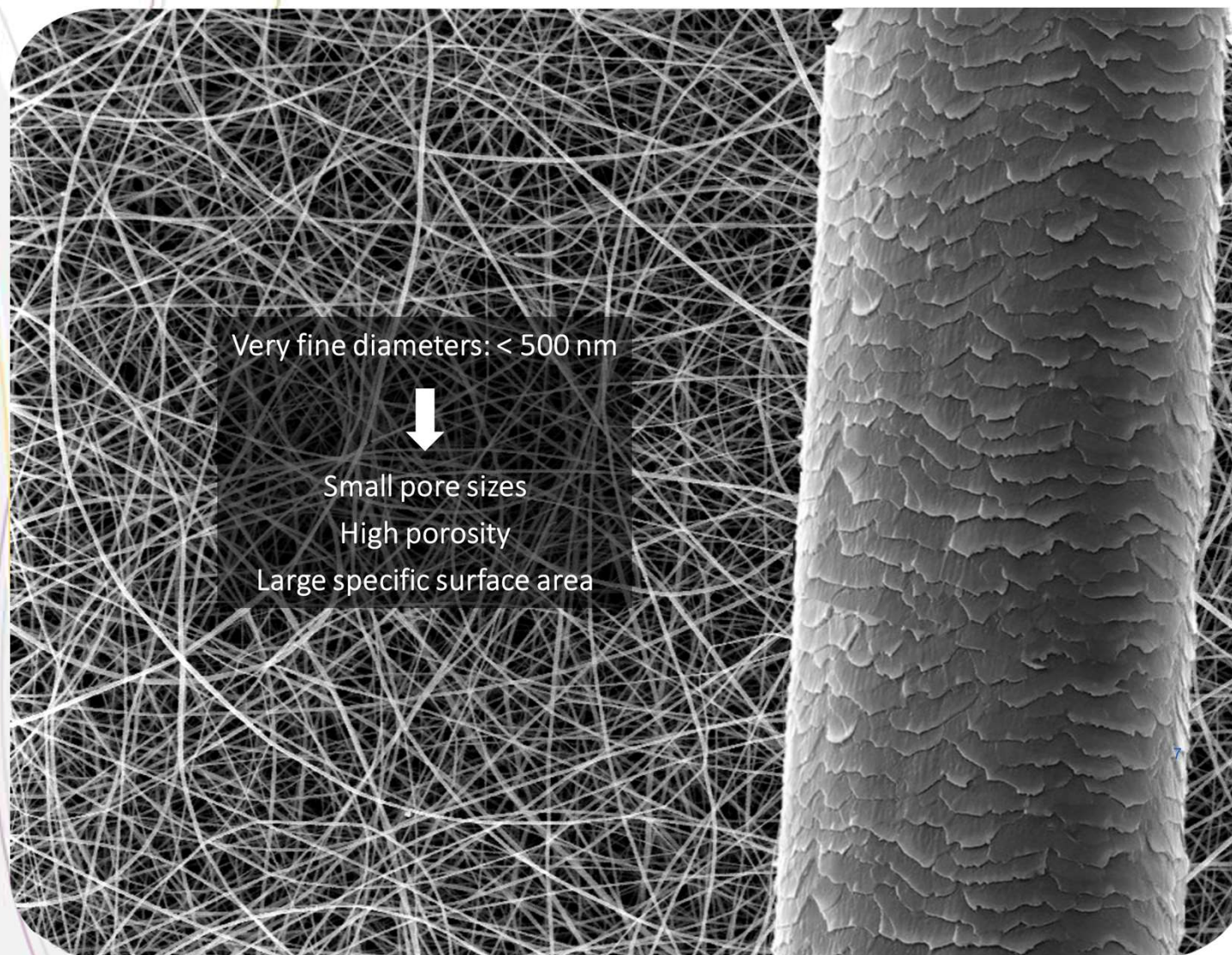
# ELECTROSPINNING OF NANOFIBERS AT GHENT UNIVERSITY FOR VARIOUS NOVEL APPLICATIONS



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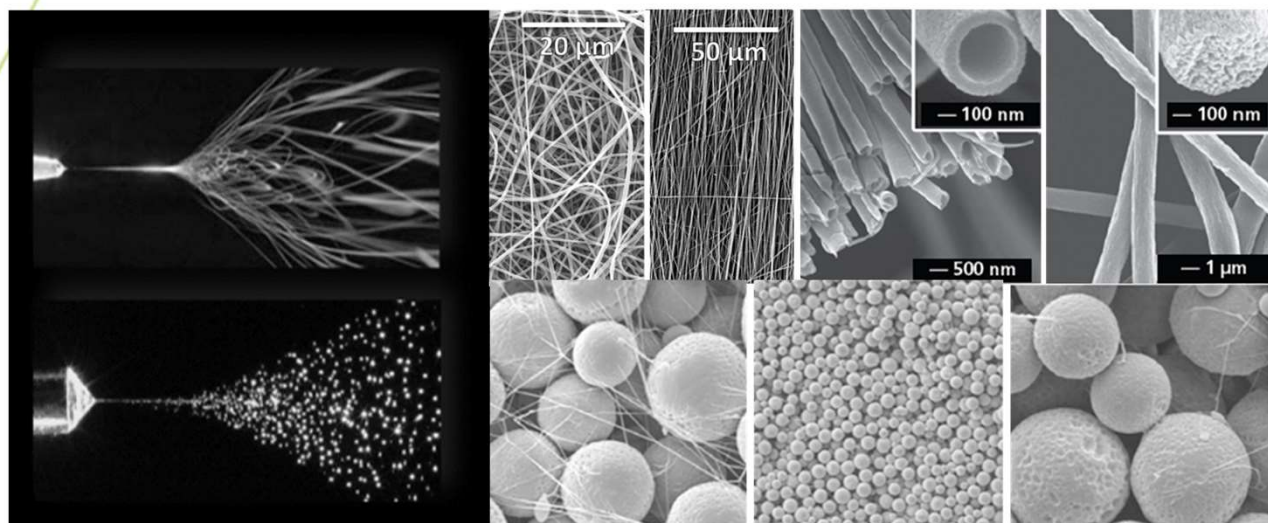






# VARIOUS MATERIAL MORPHOLOGIES CAN BE OBTAINED BY ELECTROSPINNING

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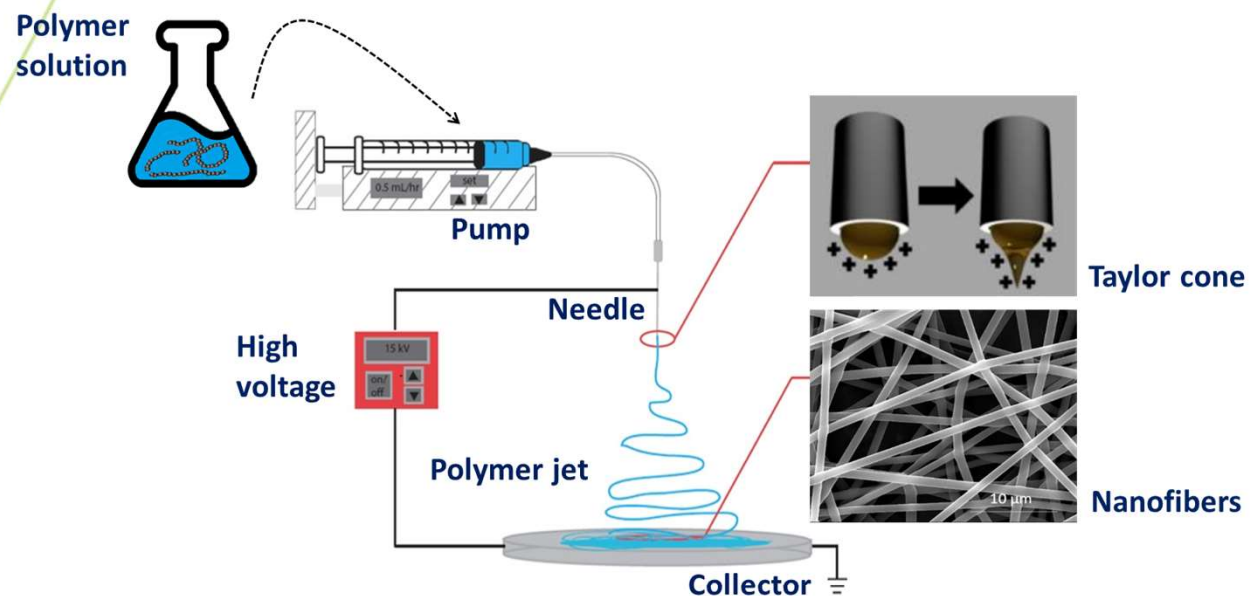
From **nanofibers** over **nanobeads**

From **random** to **oriented** structures

From **solid** to **porous** to **hollow** structures

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# THE BASICS OF ELECTROSPINNING

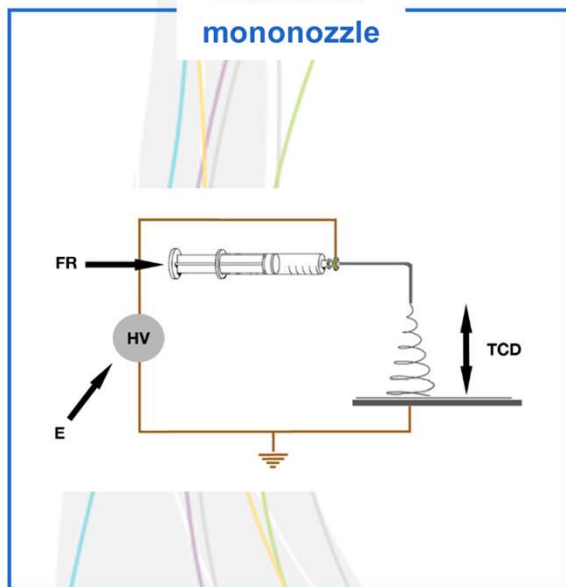


Process parameters	Solution parameters	Ambient parameters
Flow rate	Molar mass polymer	Humidity
Tip to collector distance	Conductivity polymer solution	Temperature
Strength electrical field	Surface tension polymer solution	
Collector type	Polymer concentration	
	Polymer solution viscosity	

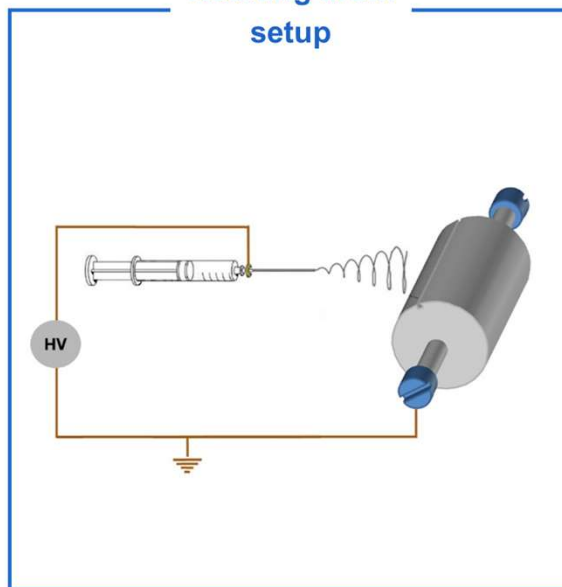
# ELECTROSPINNING SYSTEMS AVAILABLE AT CTSE

From lab-scale mononozzle to semi-industrial continuous production

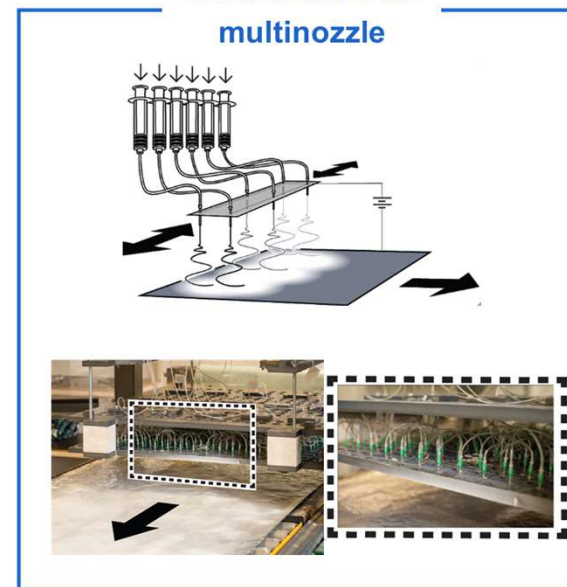
Lab-scale  
mononozzle



Rotating drum  
setup



Semi-industrial  
multinozzle



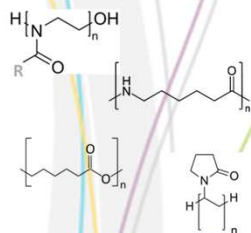
Production of nanofiber based media

- As rolled goods with or without substrate
- With grammage between 0.05 - 100 g m<sup>-2</sup>



# ELECTROSPINNING EXPERTISE AT CTSE

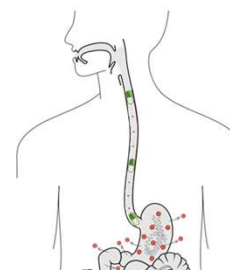
## Electrospinning of organic nanofibers



Sensors



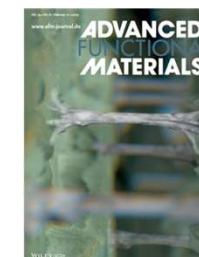
'Green electrospinning'  
& electrospinning of biopolymers



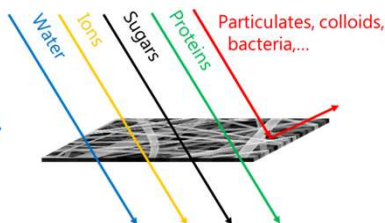
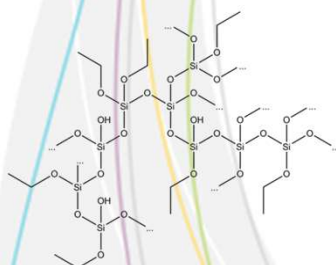
Drug delivery



Wound dressing



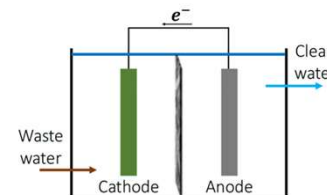
## Electrospinning of inorganic/ceramic nanofibers



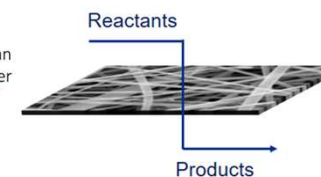
Filtration



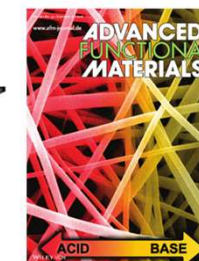
Separation of  
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Electrochemical  
separation

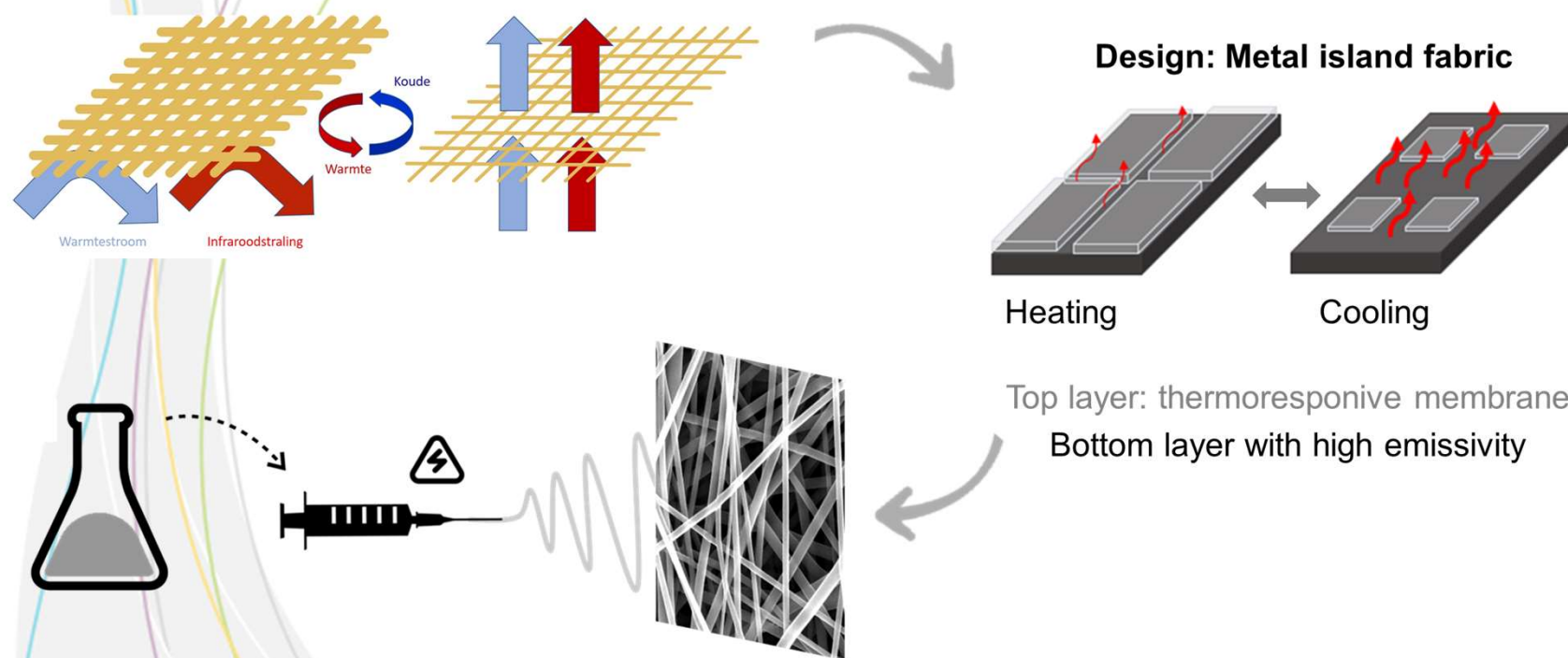


Catalysis





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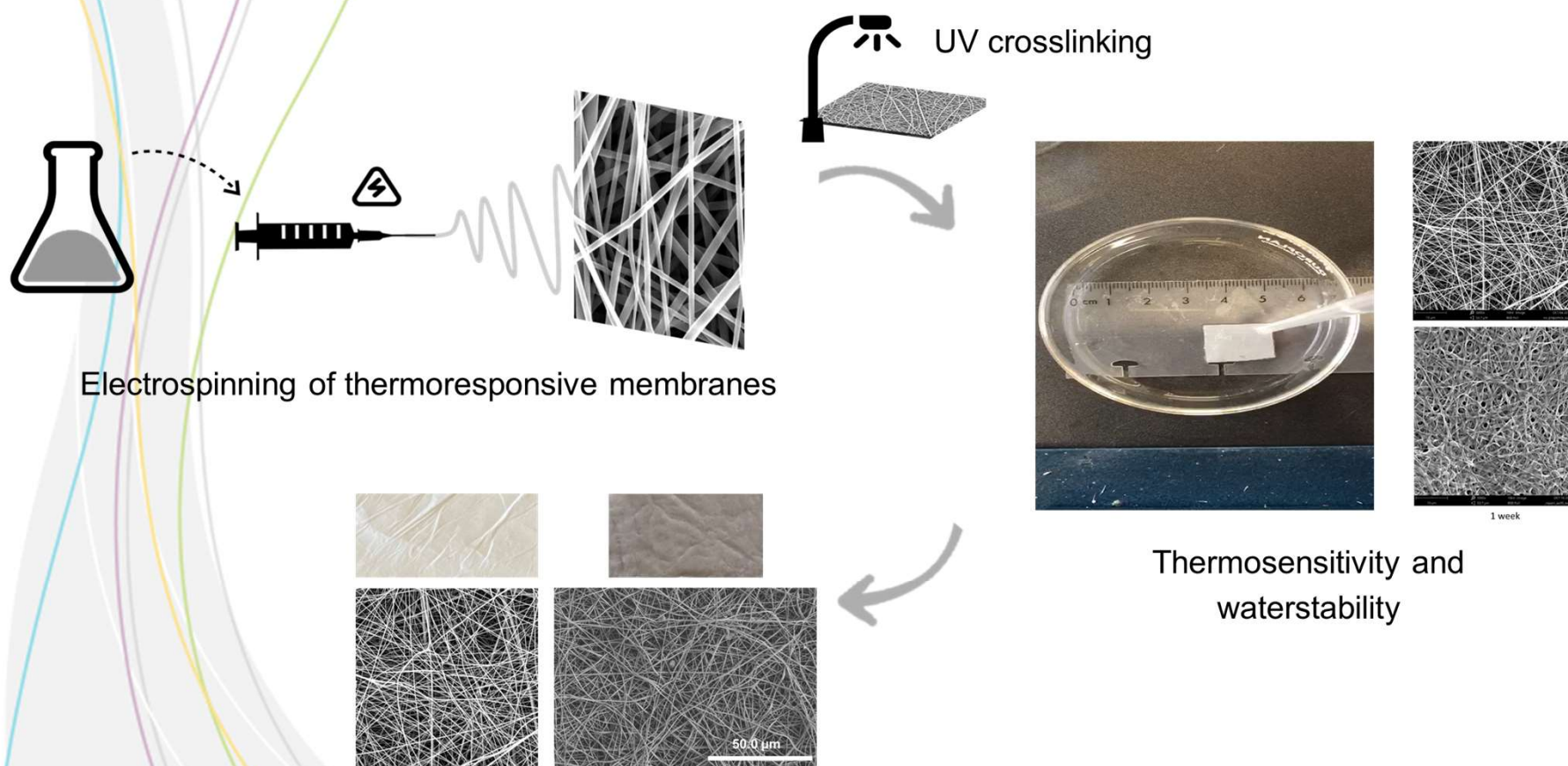


Thermoresponsive membrane produced via electrospinning of thermoresponsive polymer

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# PHOTONITEX

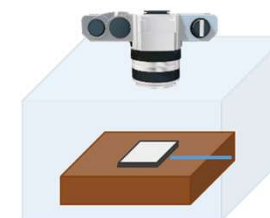
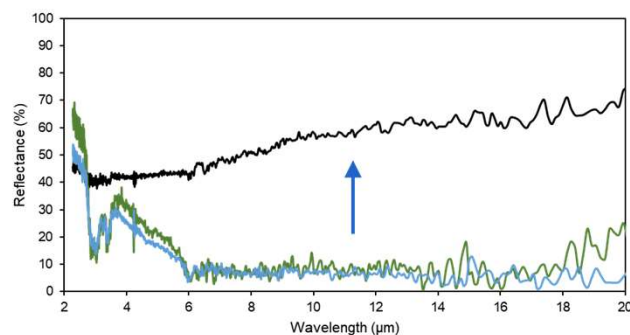
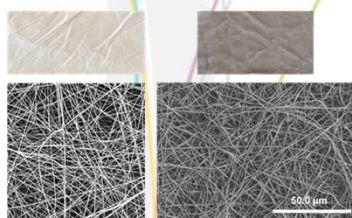
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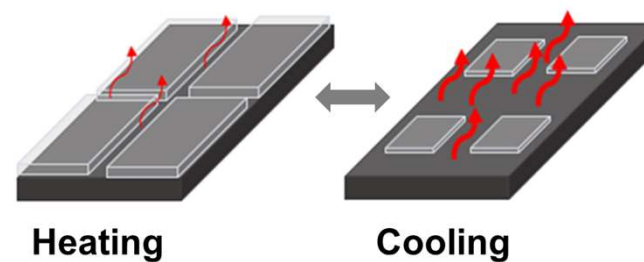
# PHOTONITEX - SELF-STRUCTURING MEMBRANE VIA ELECTROSPINNING

Ag deposition via CVD to tune IR reflectance



Experimental validation

**Design: Metal island fabric**



**Work Package 3 and 4** : Static and dynamic structuring of membrane and filaments

# **Dual-mode thermoregulation with passive photonic textiles**

**Muluneh G. Abebe, UMons Mons**

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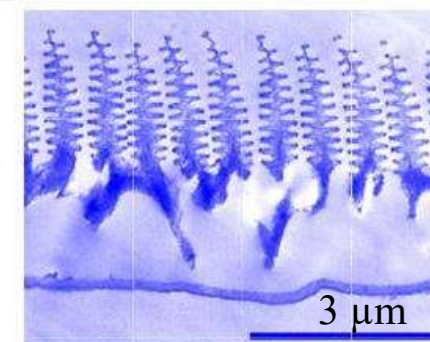
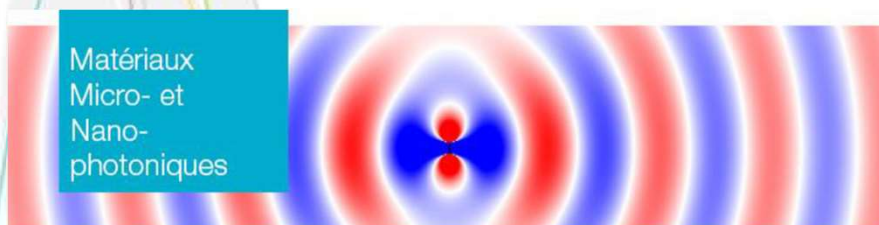
## Micro- and Nanophotonic Materials Group

New physics if wavelength  $\sim$  size of structures

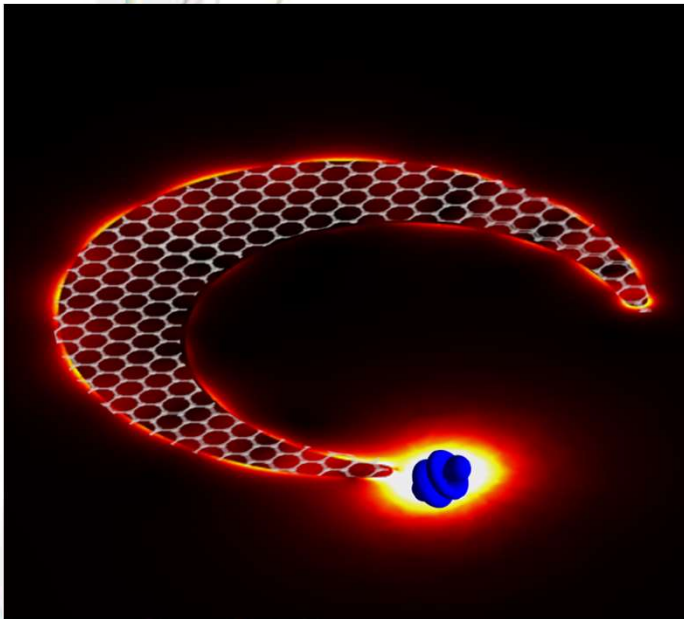
2 research directions

- Fundamental photonics
- Applied photonics

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Fundamental example:  
Higher-order interactions  
'Forbidden' transitions possible!



New simulation methods needed...

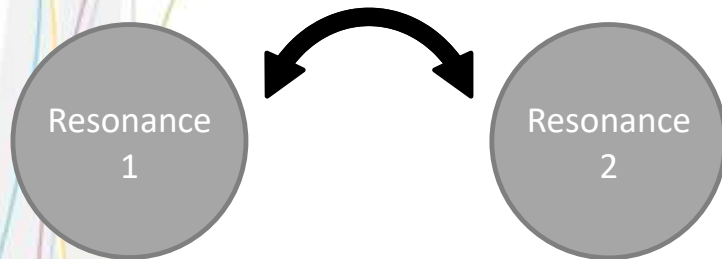
Applied example:  
Adaptive textiles  
Always comfortable



## Modeling approaches

### Analytical

Coupled-mode theory



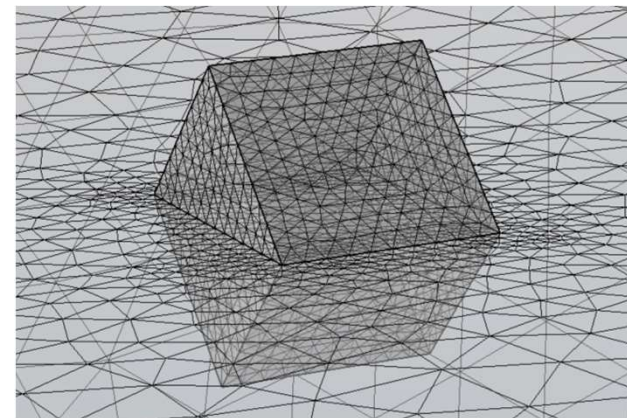
Floquet-theory

Fluctuational electrodynamics

Etc.

### Simulations

Electromagnetism (Maxwell)



Macroscopic QED

Monte-Carlo

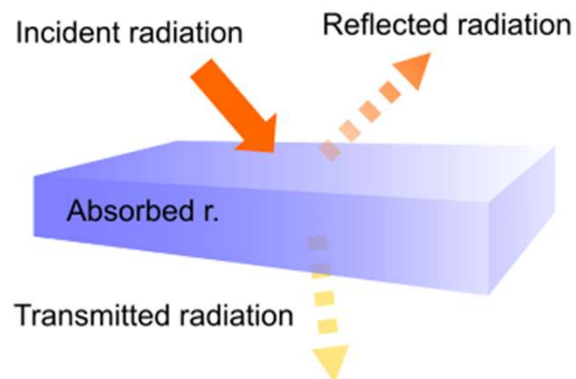
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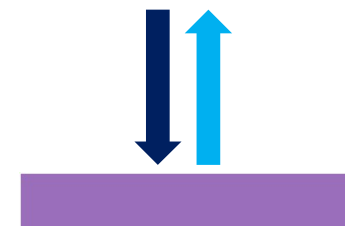


# Design directions

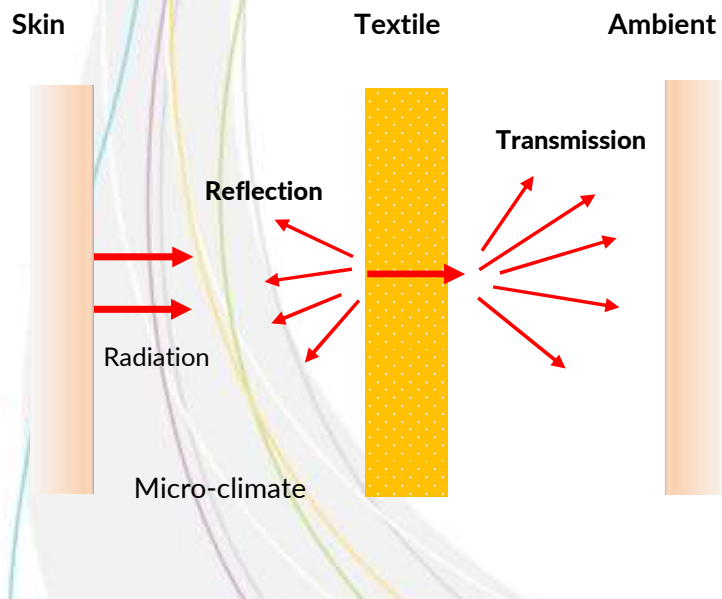
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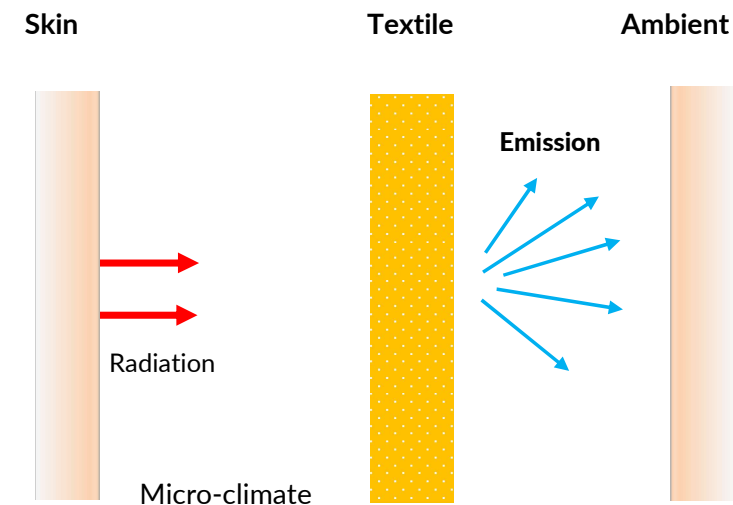
Absorption = Emission



## Transmission/Reflection modulation



## Emission modulation

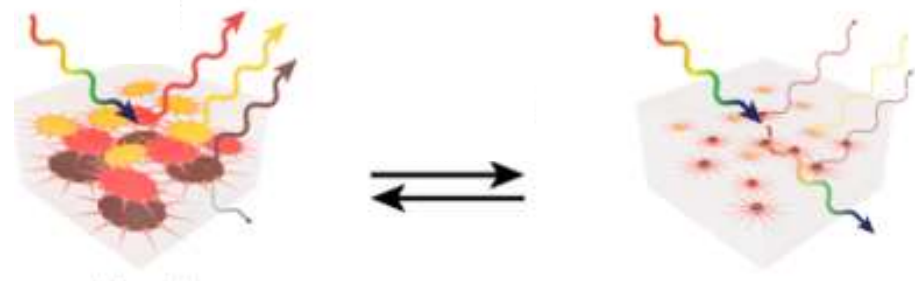
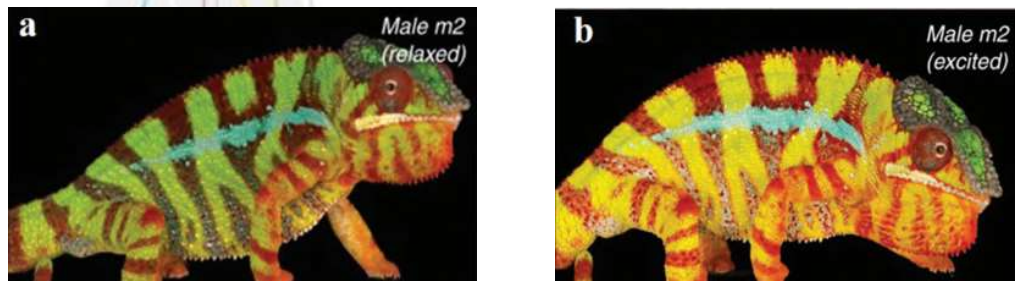
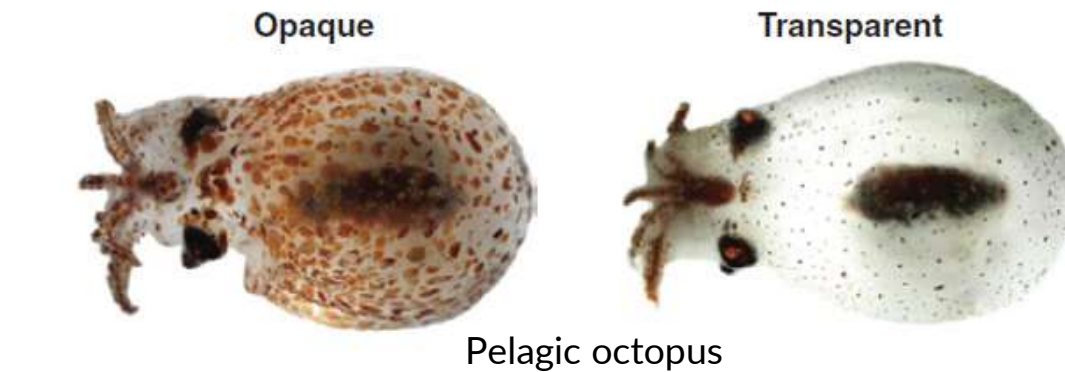
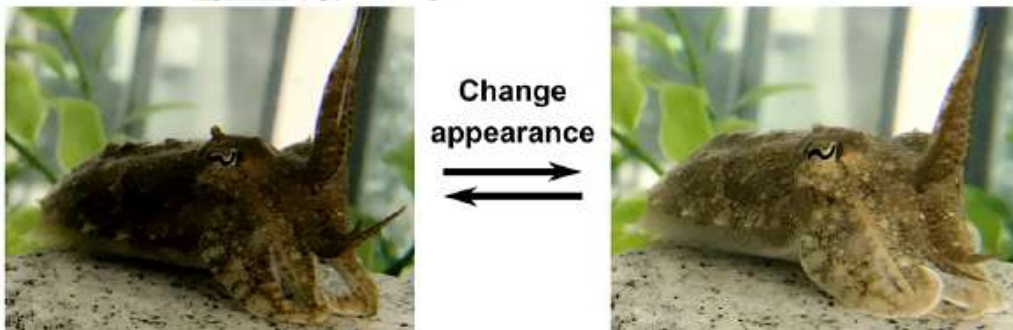




# Looking at nature closely

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Transmission/reflection/emission modulation



## Transmission modulation

- **Metallic micro-wires**
- Metallic micro-particles

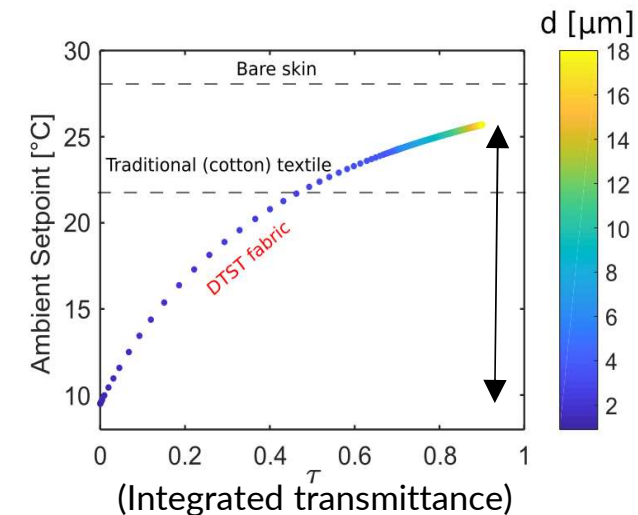
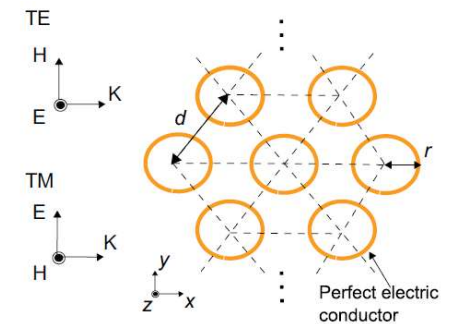
## Emission modulation

- Janus-yarn
- Metal islands using electrospun layers
- Surface wrinkling structures

# Metallic micro-wires

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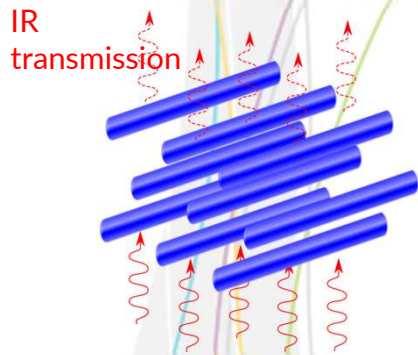
### Simulated geometry



Abebe et al. Phy. Rev. Appl. 14, 044030 (2020).

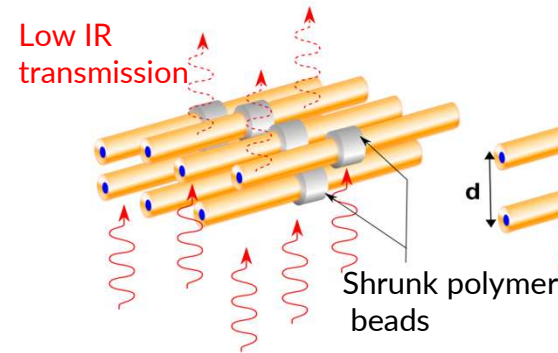
### Traditional textile (static)

#### A single mode

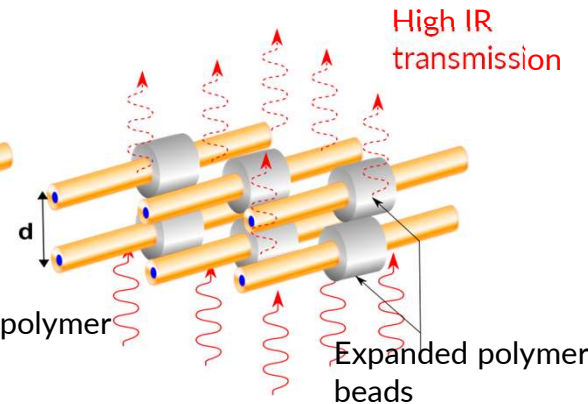


### Thermoregulating textile (dynamic)

#### Heating Mode Cold ambient



#### Cooling Mode Hot ambient



- Limited heating or cooling.
- Polymer beads shrink
- Low IR transmittance
- A wide setpoint temperature window of 16 °C is achieved.
- The textile user is comfortable between 9.5 °C and 25.7 °C
- Polymer beads expand
- High IR transmittance

## Transmission modulation

- Metallic micro-wires
- **Metallic micro-particles**

## Emission modulation

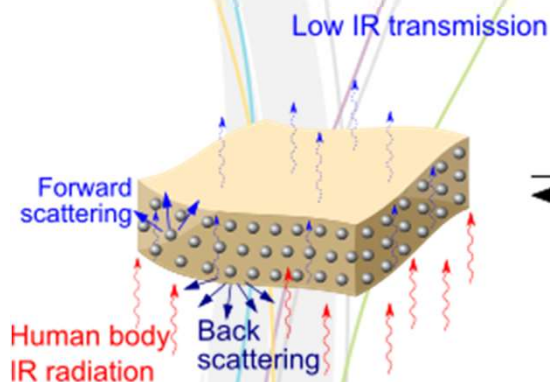
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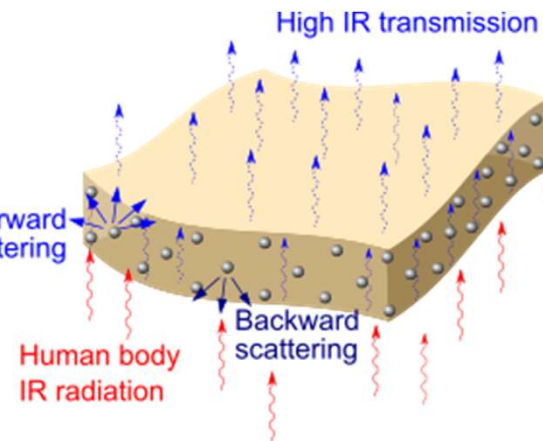
# Metallic micro-particles

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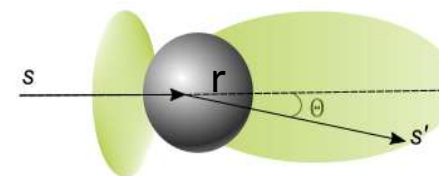
### Heating mode (Cold ambient)



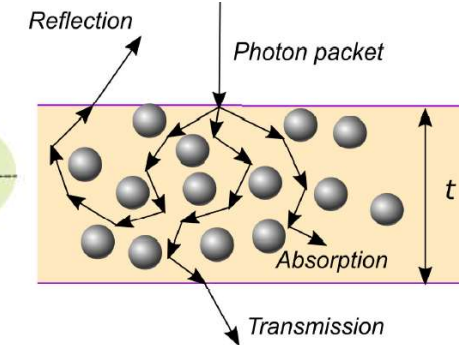
### Cooling mode (Hot ambient)



### Single particle

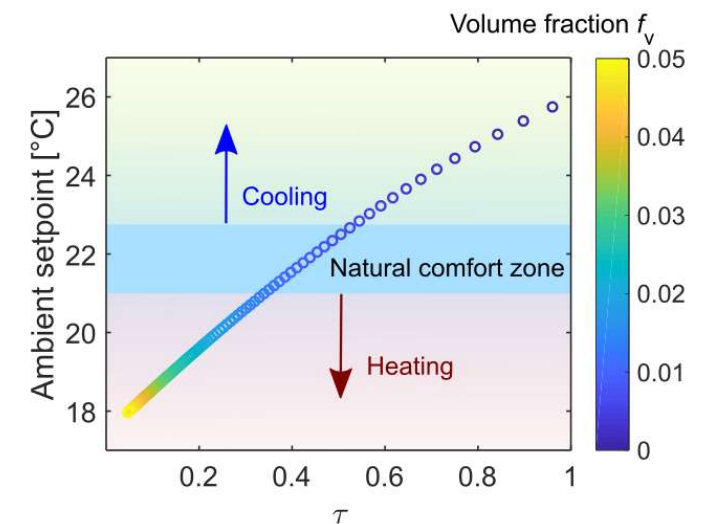


### Particle cloud



- Polymer shrinks.
- Particle volume fraction increases.
- High IR reflection.
- Particle density (volume fraction  $f_v$ ) determines the radiative heat transfer.
- Setpoint window of 7°C (from 18°C to 25°C).

- Polymer expands.
- Particle volume fraction decreases.
- High IR transmittance.



Abebe et al. Nanoscale 14, 1421-1431 (2022).

## Transmission modulation

- Metallic micro-wires
- Metallic micro-particles

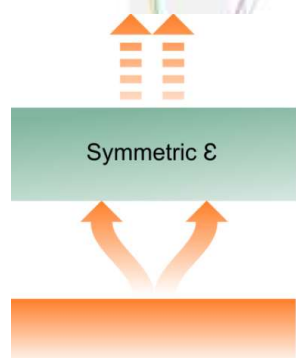
## Emission modulation

- **Janus-yarn**
- Metal islands using electrospun layers
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## Traditional textile

Heating or Cooling



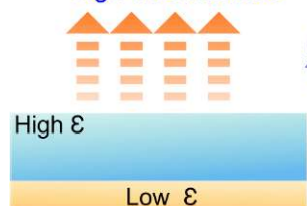
## One Mode

- Heating or cooling.
- Mainly controls thermal conduction.
- The textile user is comfortable between 11 °C and 24 °C.

## Janus-yarn textile

Cooling mode

High IR emittance



Heating mode

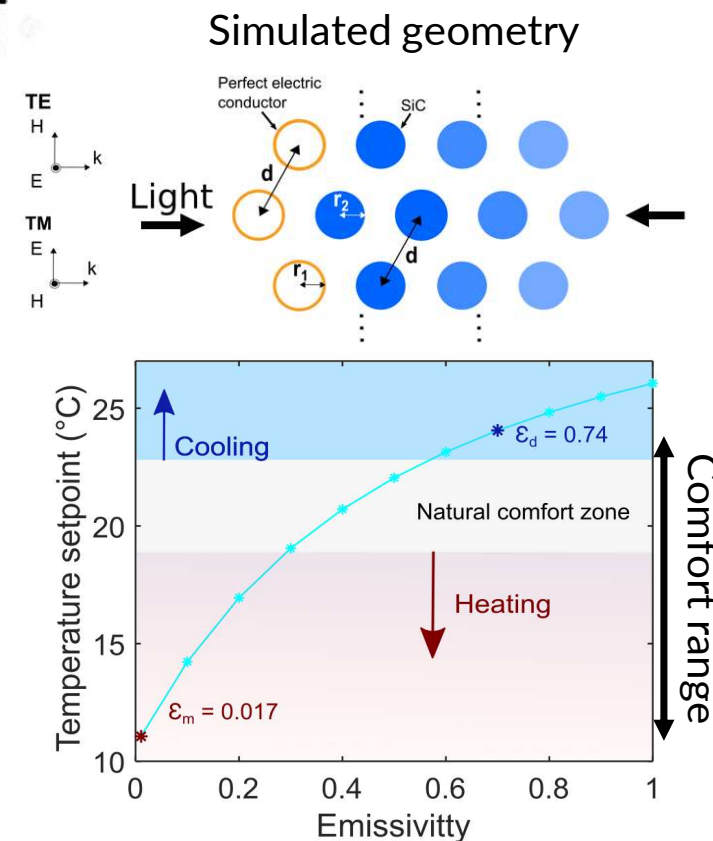
Low IR emittance



Body IR radiation

Skin

- Dielectric fibers face the outside
- High IR emissivity.
- Metallic fibers face the outside.
- Low IR emissivity.



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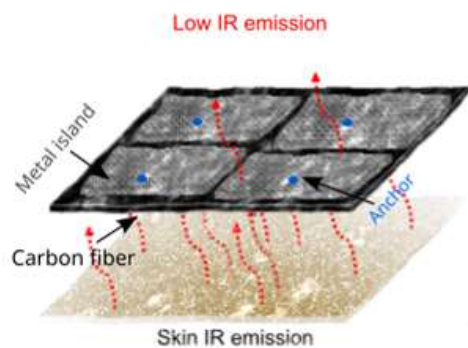
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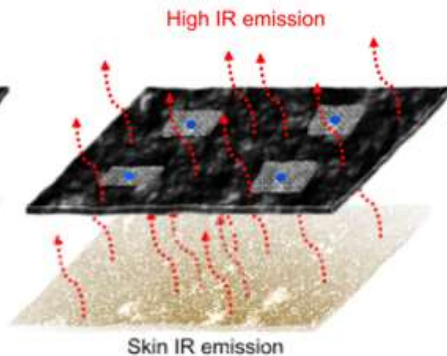


# Metal islands using electrospun layers

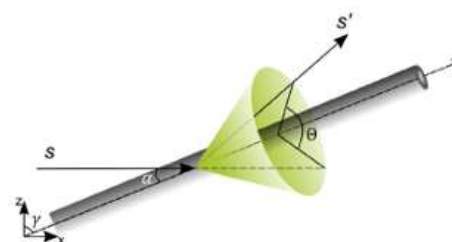
## Heating mode



## Cooling mode

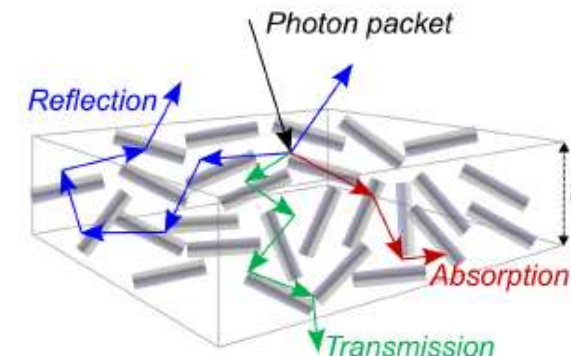


## Single nanowire

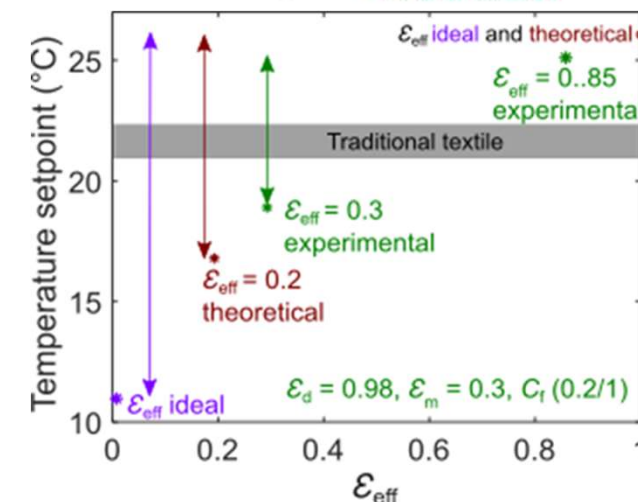
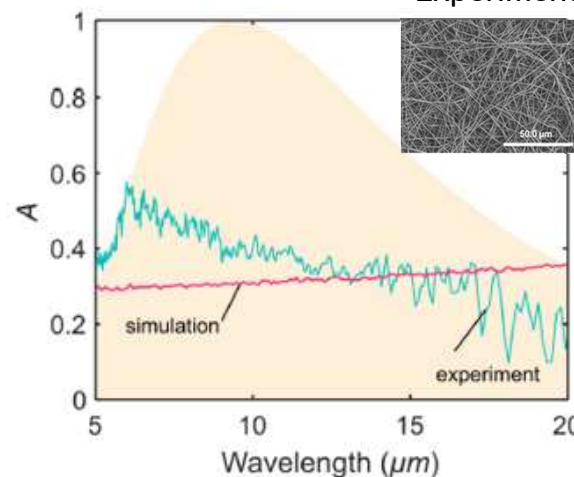


## PHOTONITEX

## Nanowire cloud



## Experiment



Setpoint window of 6°C (from 19°C to 25°C).

## Transmission modulation

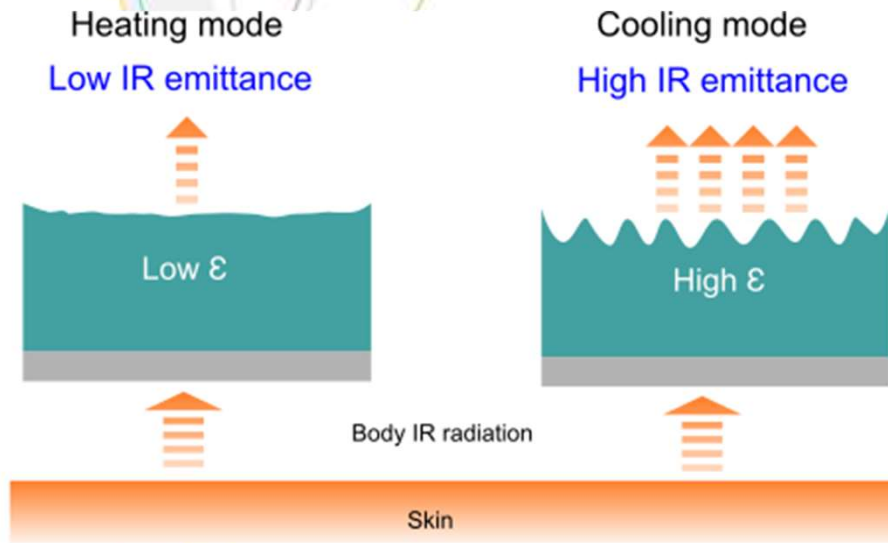
- Metallic micro-wires
- Metallic micro-particles

## Emission modulation

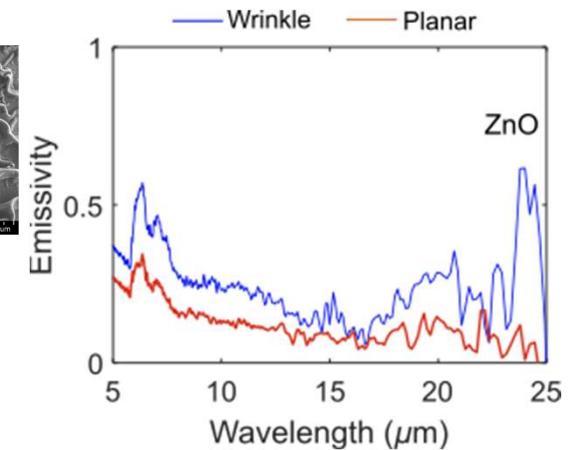
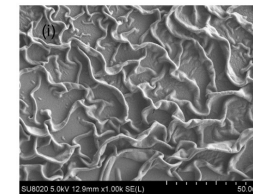
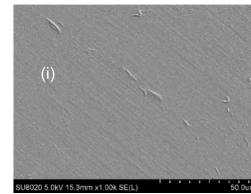
- Janus-yarn
- Metal islands using electrospun layers
- **Surface wrinkling structures**

# Surface wrinkling structures

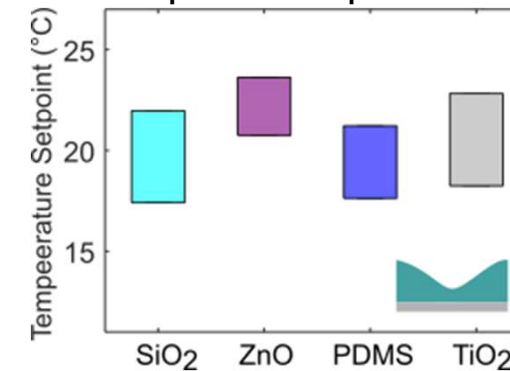
## Design working principle



## Experiment



## Setpoint temperature



### Heating mode (Cold)

- Flat surface (less wrinkling)
- Low IR emissivity

### Cooling mode (hot)

- Wrinkled surface (more wrinkling)
- High IR emissivity

## Work Package 4 : Static and dynamic structuring of filaments

# Development of a Smart Textile to Improve Thermal Comfort

Hafiz Muhammad Kaleem Ullah, PhD student

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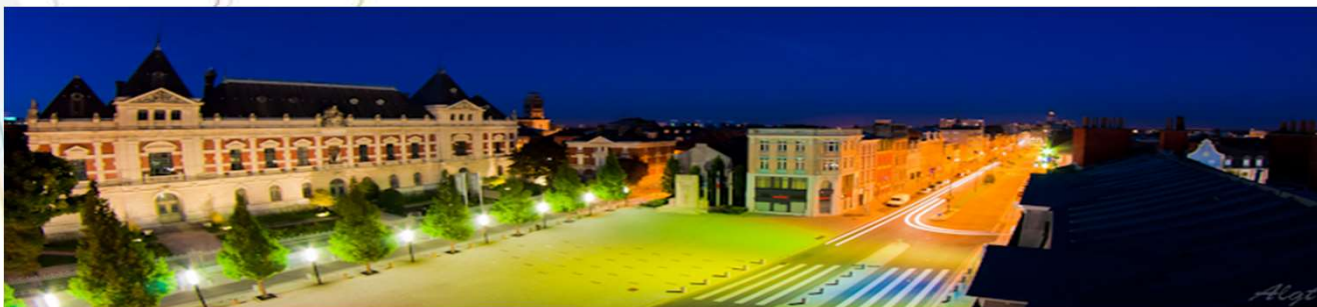


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# ENSAIT,

**French Grande Ecole, one of the leading textile schools in Europe**

## The staff

- 40 Teachers
- 22 Engineers and technicians
- 33 Administrative staff

## The students

- 426 Engineering students
- 367 in initial training
- 59 in apprenticeship
- 57 PhD students

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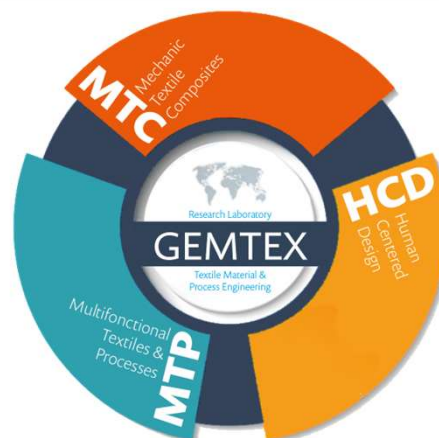


Professors **12**

Assistant Professors **18**

Technicians & engineers **10**

Temporary Teacher Researchers **4**



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**Pr. Xianyi ZENG**

**57** 2019 PhD students

**55** RDI Programs since 2013

**12** Patents since 2013

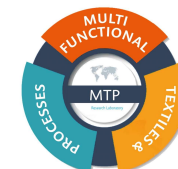
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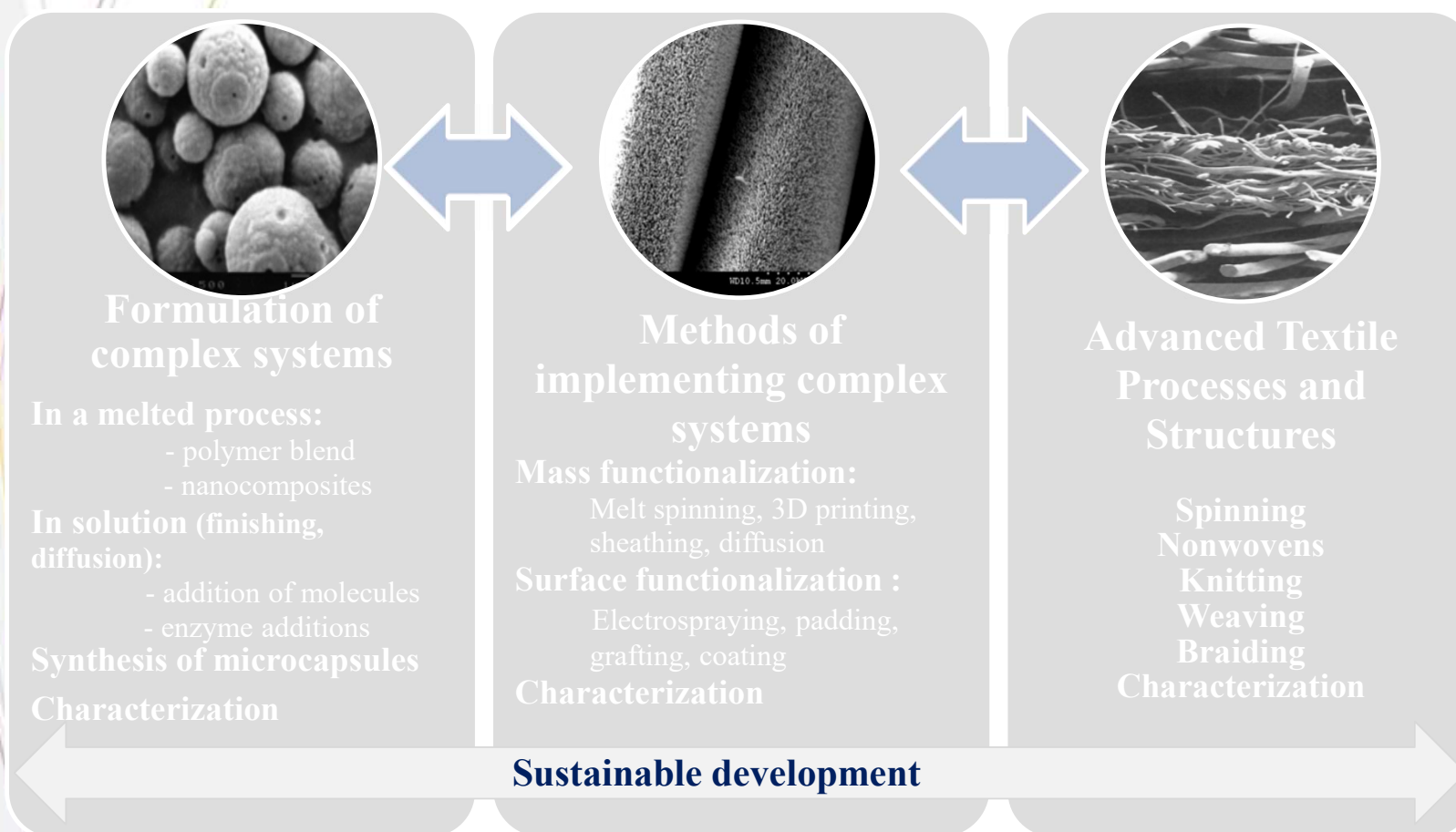
*aeronautics, transport, medical, wellness, sport & leisure, construction, clothing, ....*



## The skills of the MTP group

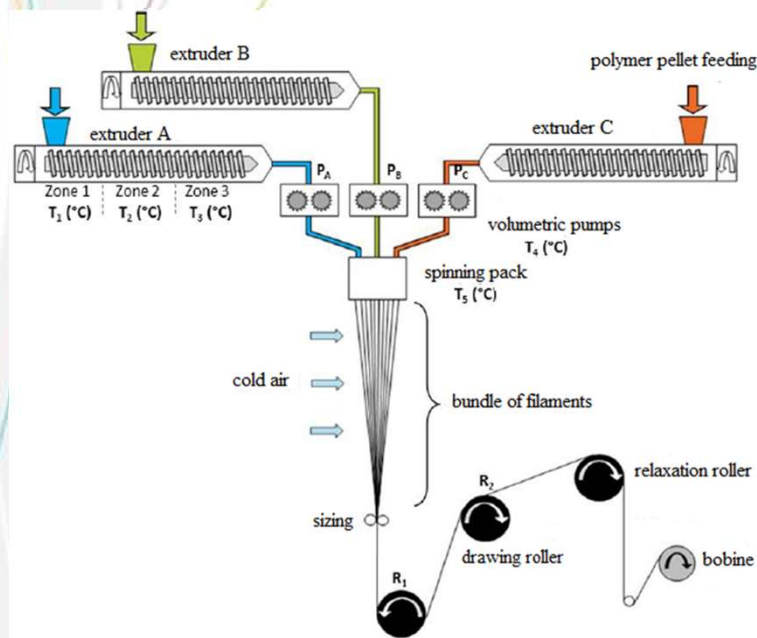


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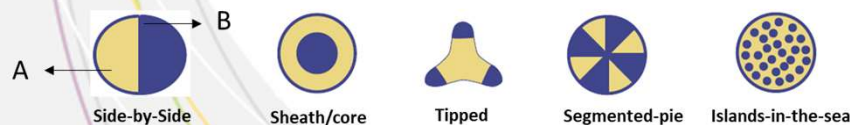


# What is Multi-component Fiber

- Multi-component fiber is made of two or more materials



Types of Bicomponent fibers



## Why multi-component Fibers?

- Exploit capabilities not existing in either polymer alone
- Bring multi functional properties in a single fiber
- Expand the range of possible applications
- Improve the materials performance for specific needs

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## Introduction to Materials

- **Polymer A\*/B\***
- Commonly used in textiles

Immiscible to each other

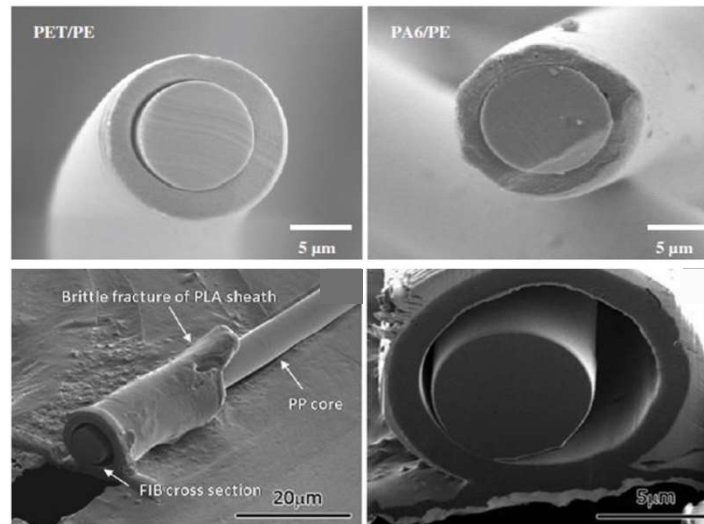
poor interfacial adhesion

Poor performance  
Fiber splitting

Addition of **C\***

Improved adhesion between polymer A and B

### Material Development

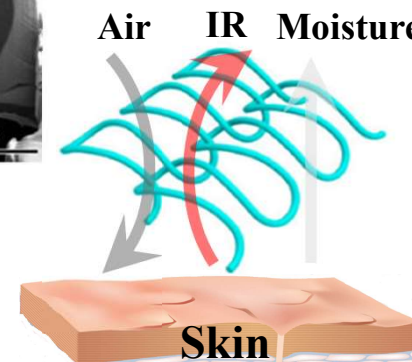
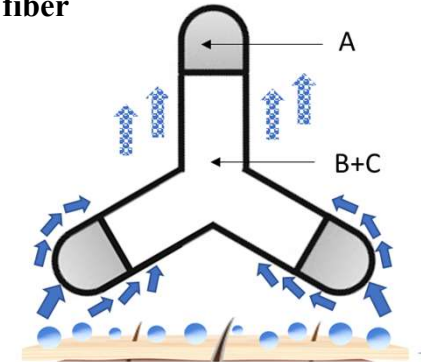


A = Polyester  
B = Nylon  
C = Adhesion promoter

### PHOTONITEX Fiber Development

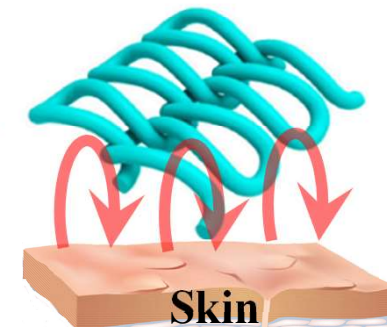
Tipped Trilobal bicomponent fiber

Complex geometry  
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Complex rheology



Wetting

Drying



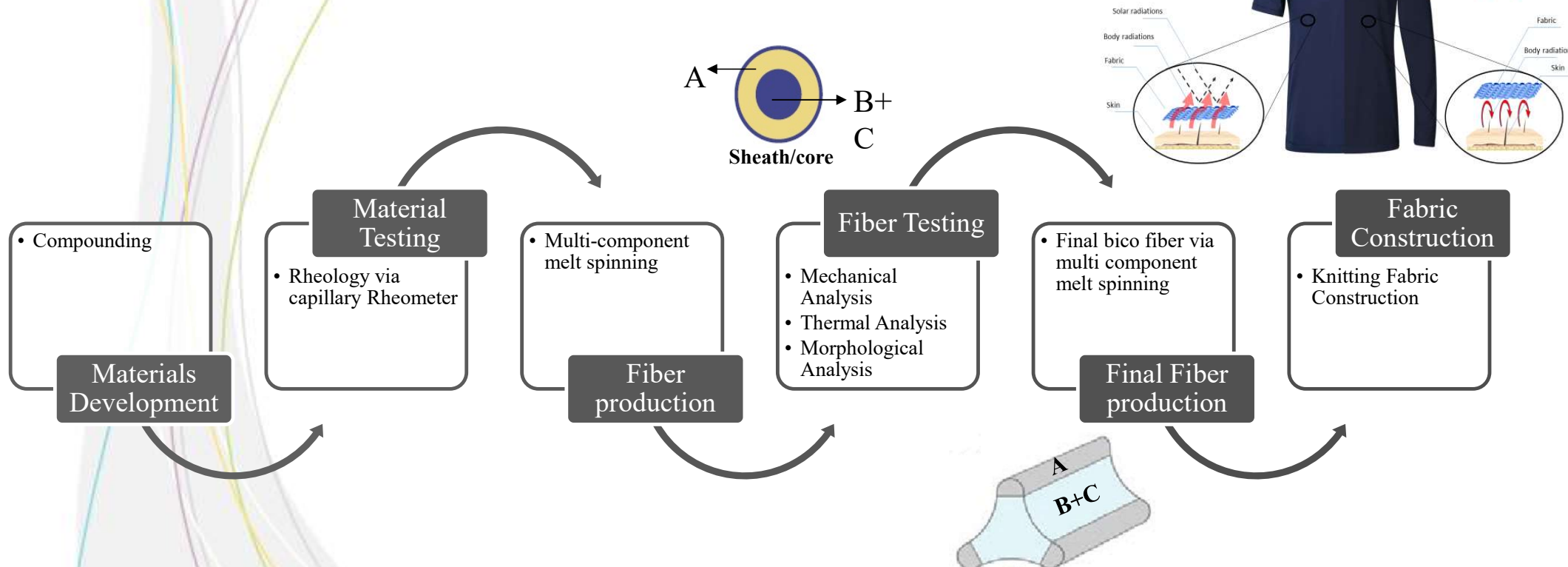
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## Steps Towards Innovation



# Materials Development

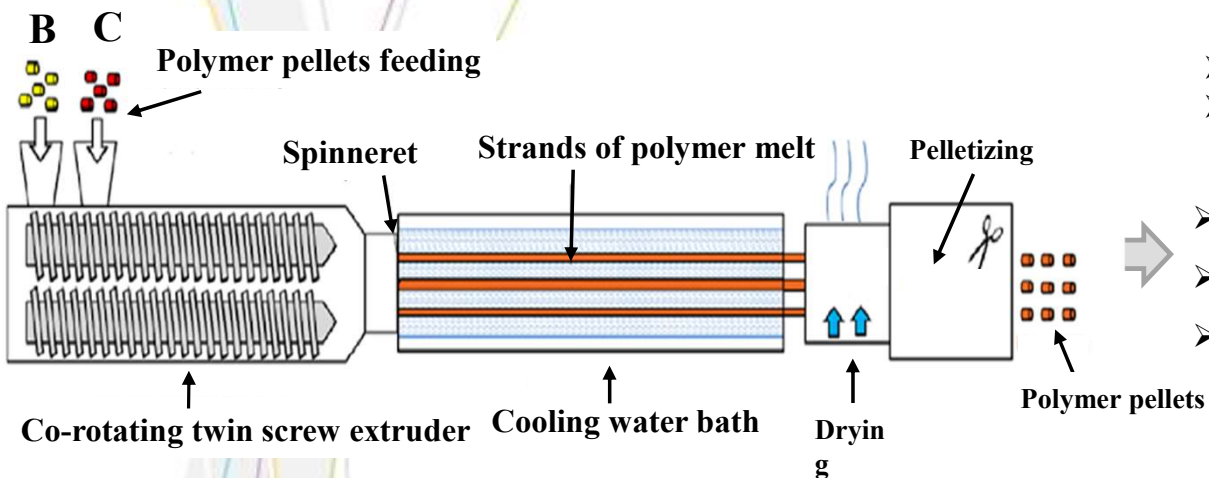
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*Material Development***PHOTONITEX**

## ➤ Polymer Extrusion

## ➤ Polymer mixing

## ➤ Bi-component melt-spinning



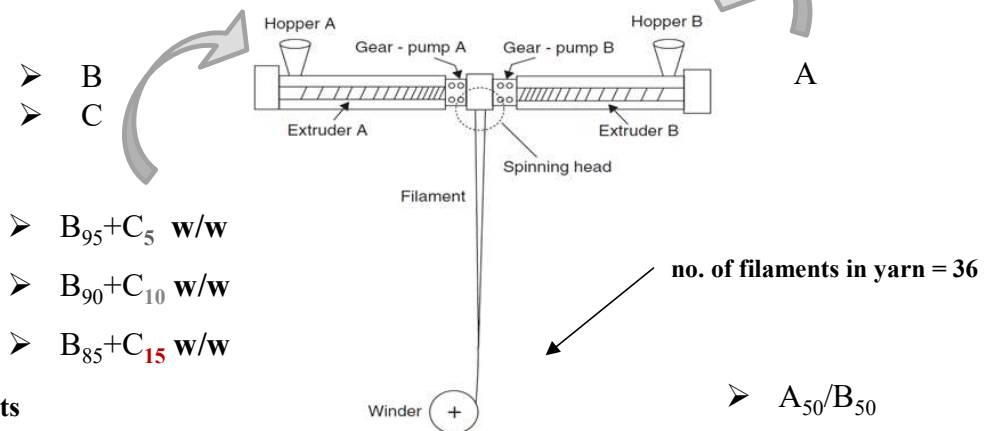
➤ B

➤ C

➤ B<sub>95</sub>+C<sub>5</sub> w/w

➤ B<sub>90</sub>+C<sub>10</sub> w/w

➤ B<sub>85</sub>+C<sub>15</sub> w/w



➤ A<sub>50</sub>/B<sub>50</sub>

➤ A<sub>50</sub>/(B+C<sub>5%</sub>)<sub>50</sub>

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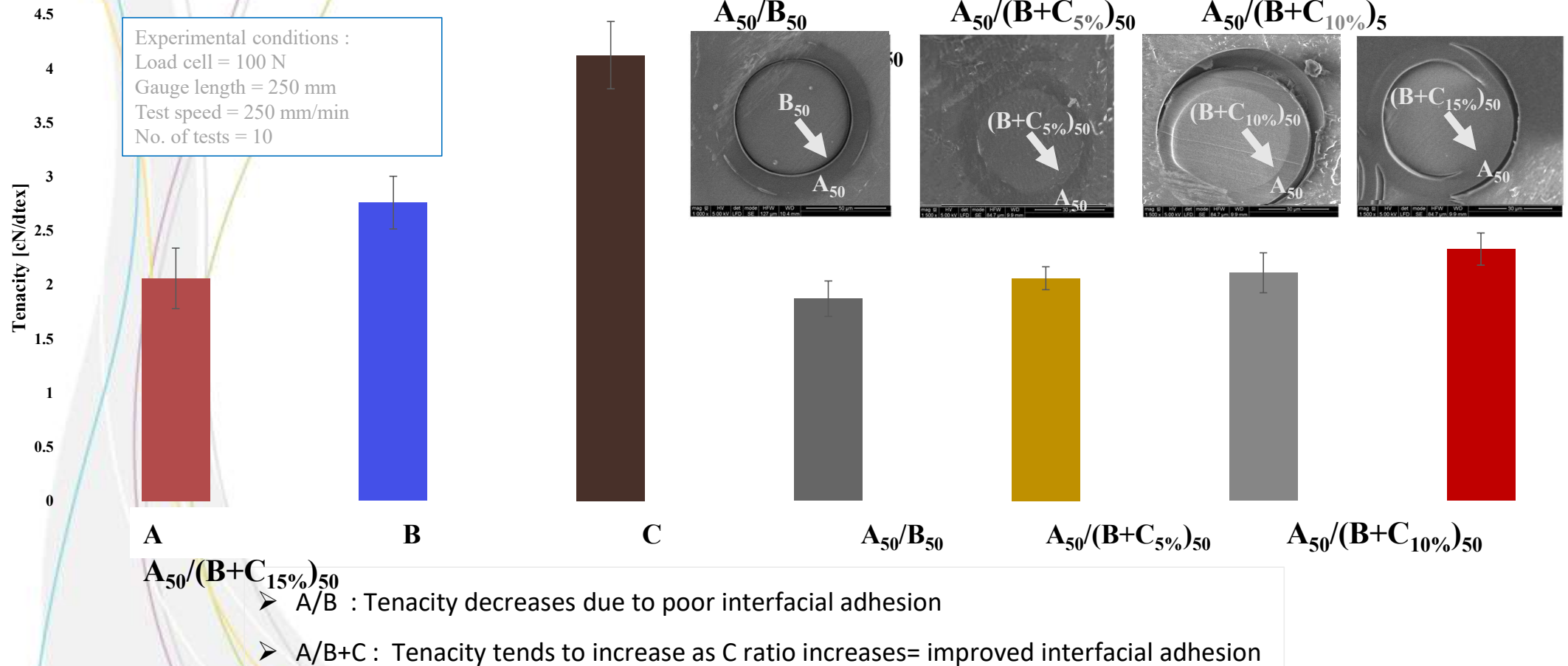
B = Nylon

C = Adhesion promoter



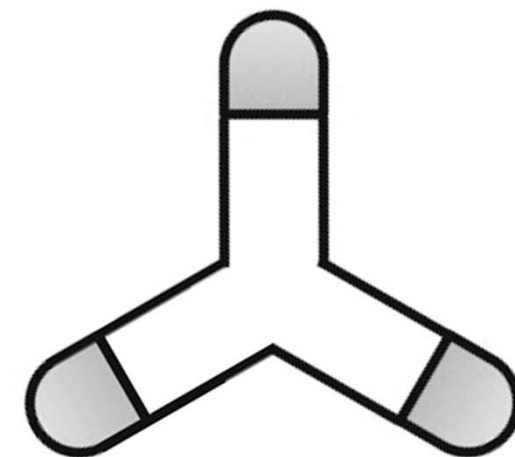
# Tensile Testing

## Influence of Adhesion promoter on tensile strength of A/B bicomponent filament yarn





# Fiber Development for Thermal Comfort Textiles



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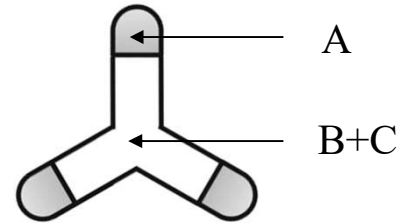


**PHOTONITEX**

➤ **Polymer A/B**

- Commonly used in textiles

**CETI Multicomponent melt spinning**



*Involved parameters*

Nature and grade of polymers

Flow rate ratios of polymers

Viscosity ratios

Extrusion and spinning temperatures of polymers

Adhesion of polymers together



3D FEM simulation

Process optimization

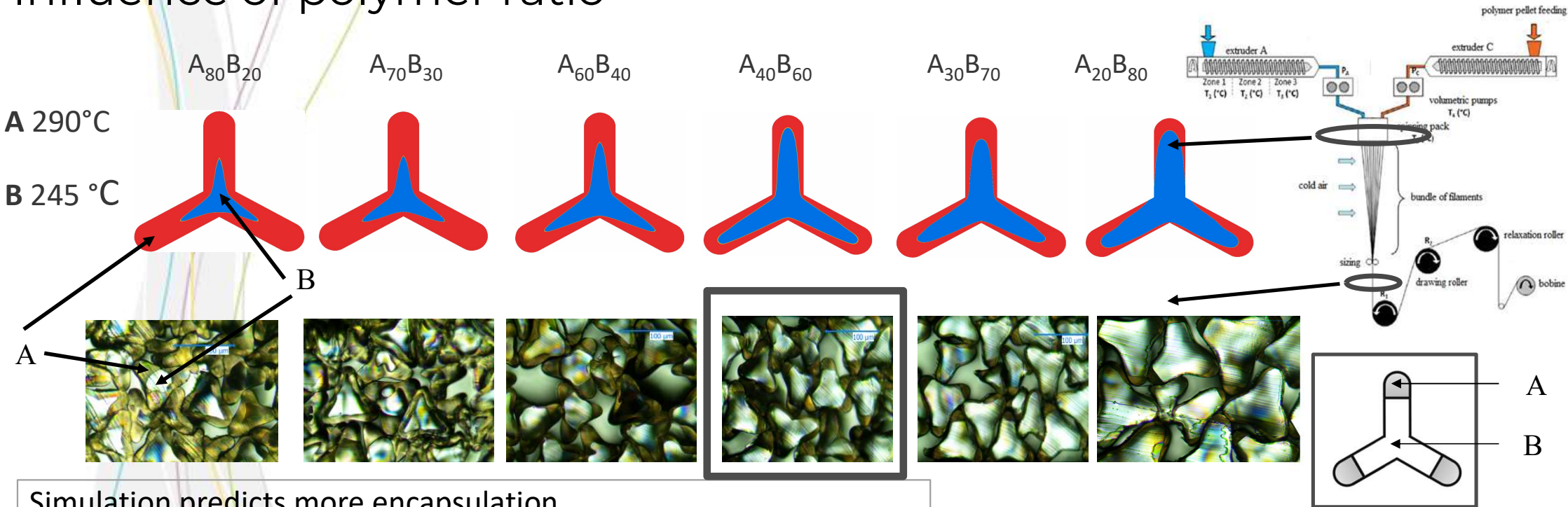
Fiber development

**Experimental time and energy consuming process**

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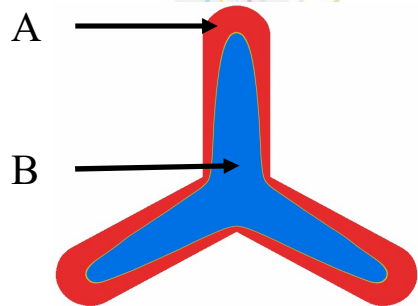
## Simulations Vs Experimental results

## Influence of polymer ratio

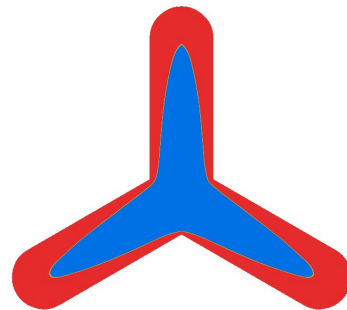


## Simulations results

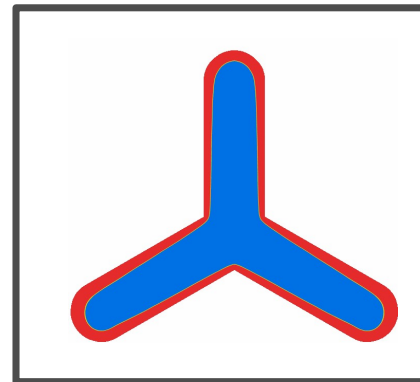
- Influence of increasing A temperatures
- $A_{40}B_{60}$



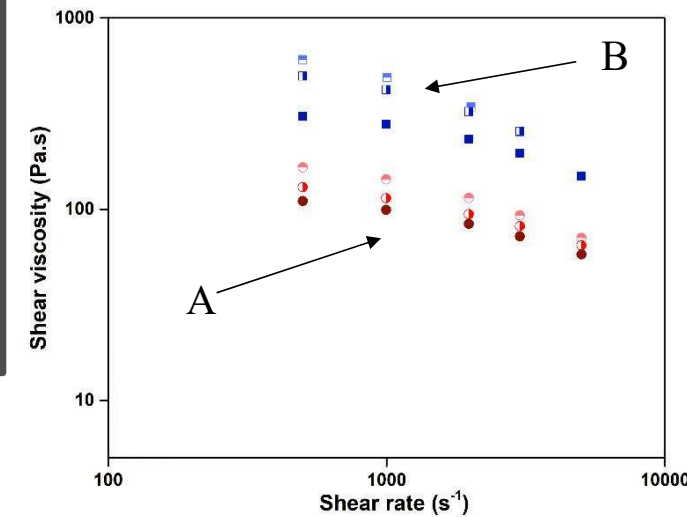
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B 245 °C



A 295°C  
B 245 °C



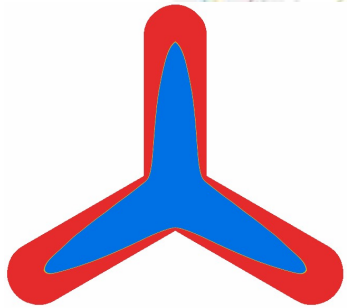
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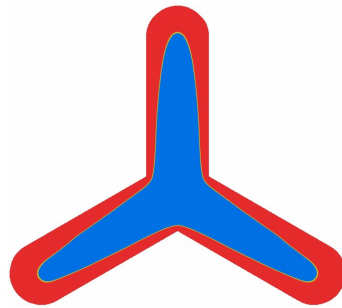
## Simulations results

- Influence of increasing B temperatures
- $A_{40}B_{60}$



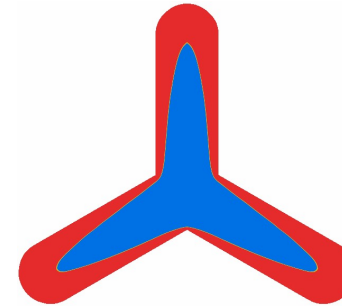
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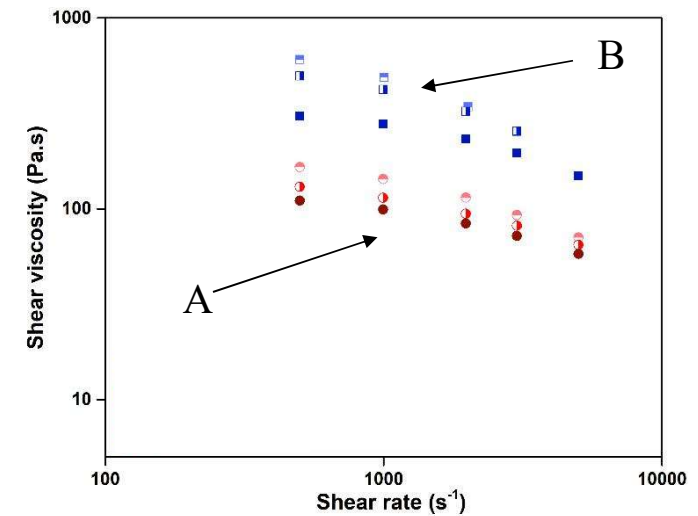
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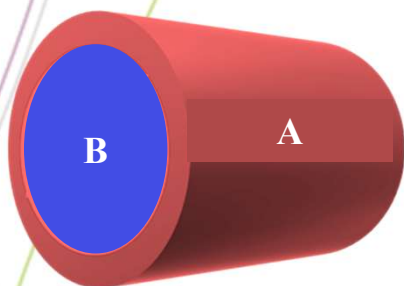
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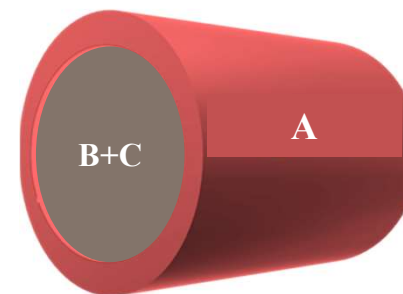
B 250 °C



*Material Development*

- Immiscible
- Poor interfacial molecular interaction
- Low mechanical properties

Vs

*Fiber Development*

- Increased cohesion
- BETTER interfacial molecular interaction
- Improved mechanical properties

**Prospects**

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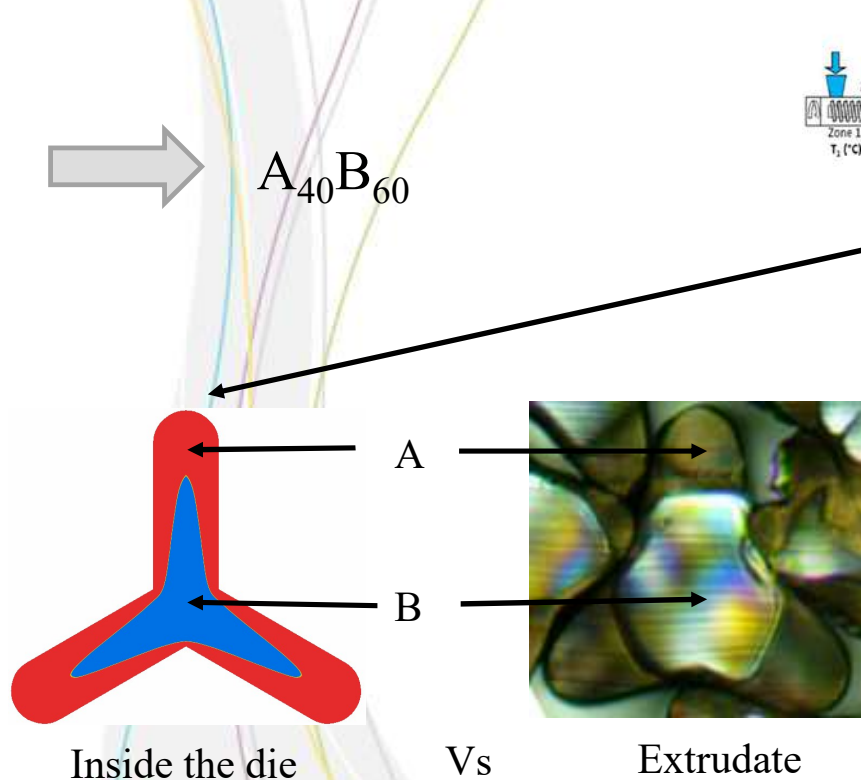
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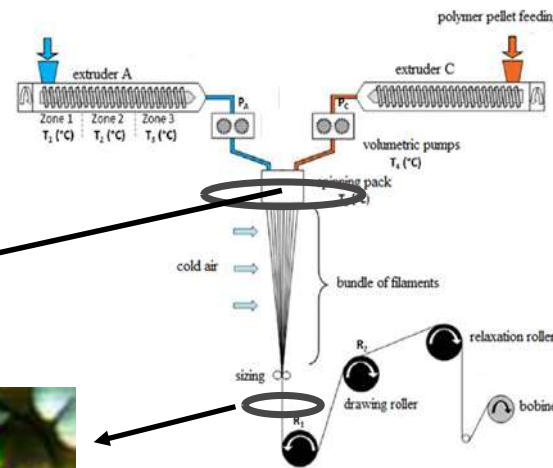
*Material Development*

*Fiber Development*

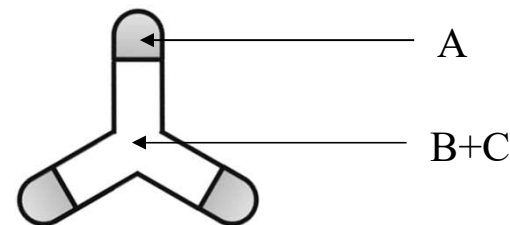
*Fabric Development*



**Post extrusion simulation in progress**



**Thermal comfort Textile**



**Under development**

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**Thank you for your attention**

