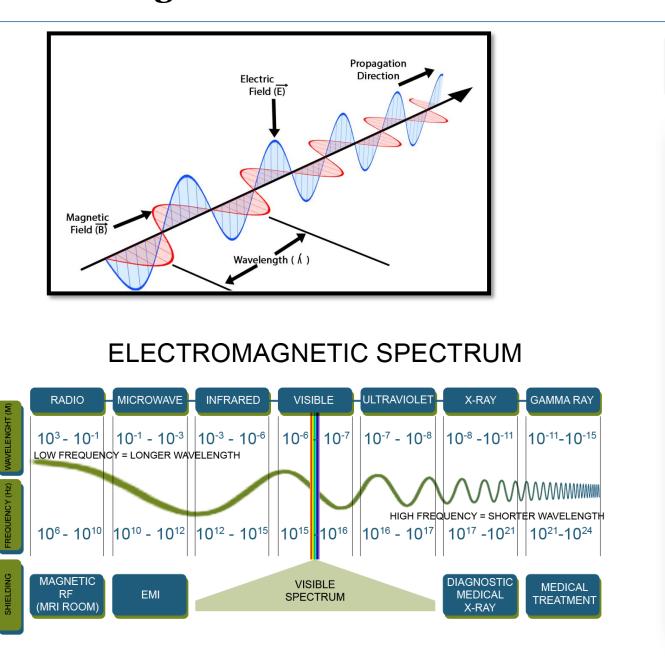
Studies on EMI shielding capability of Zirconia incorporated carbon nanofiber mats/Epoxy composites ICONSAT

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Introduction to EMI Shielding

- >With the widespread use of electronic devices, electromagnetic interference (EMI) has become a serious problem.
- >These EMI can cause operational malfunctions of electric devices, such as medical apparatuses and industry robots, which lead to significant losses in time, energy, resources, and money.
- > EMI can also harm our bodies by causing diseases such as leukemia and breast cancer.
- > Thus, the search for materials that have effective EMI shielding properties has been the focus of recent research.
- > Traditionally, metals and metal oxides have been used as EMI shielding materials. These materials provide EMI shielding by reflection of the electromagnetic waves.

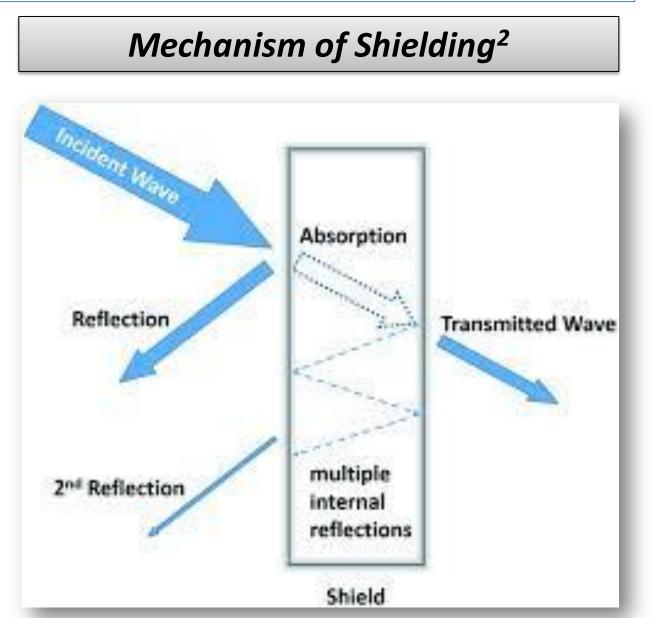


Effectiveness(dB)

Shielding

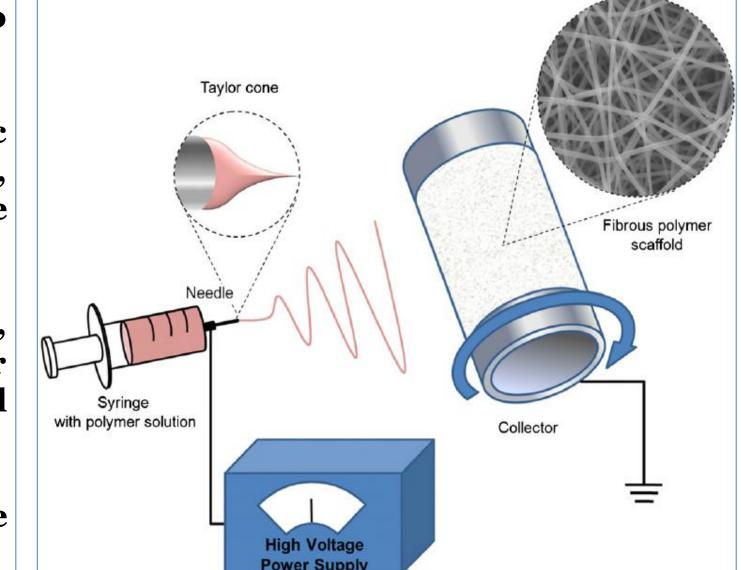
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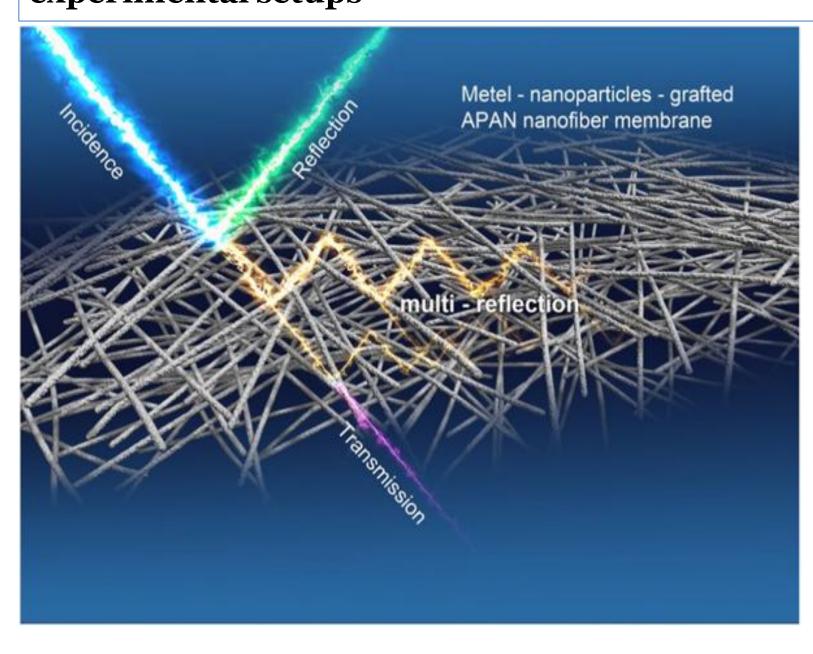


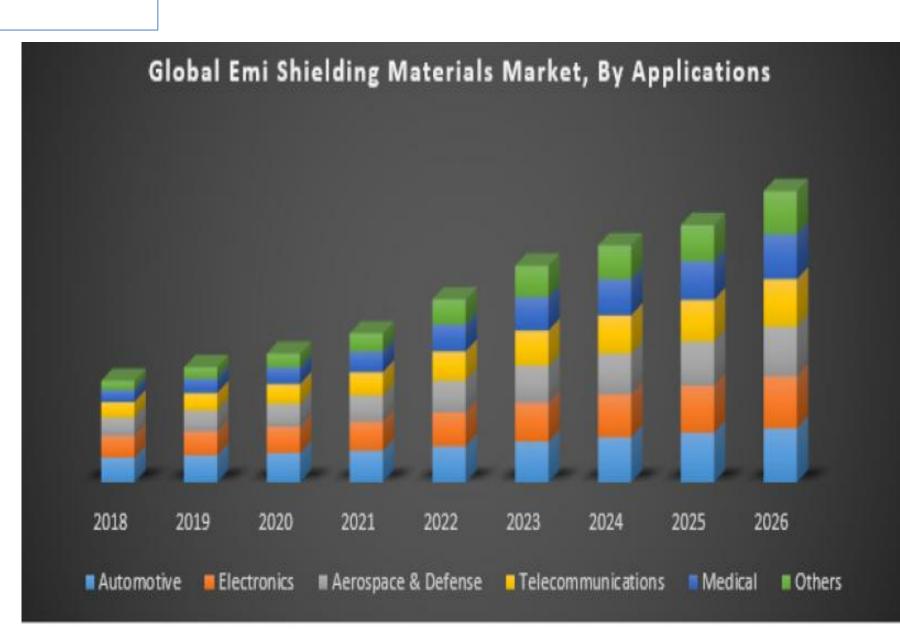
Electrospun fibers as EMI Shields

- > Electrospinning is one of the versatile technique to form continuous nanofibers from polymer solutions.
- >The polymer solutions are subjected to electrostatic repulsive forces, which tends to form stream of jet, when these repulsive forces overcomes the surface tension.
- >The acceleration voltage, polymer viscosity, flow rate, distance b/w collector and needle, and speed of collector are the important parameters that define the final morphology of fibers
- > Ease of processability, scaling up capability, relative low cost are the main attributes
- > We can achieve different types of morphology by using experimental setups



Schematic representation of electrospinning¹

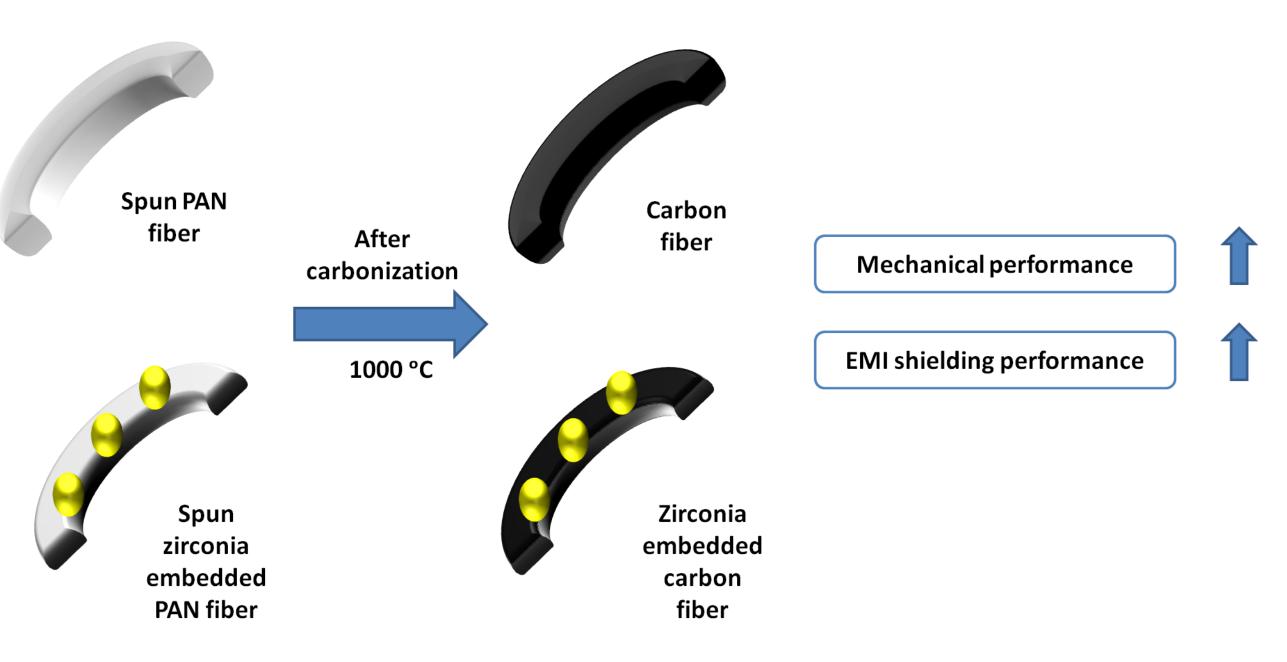




Results and Discussion

20kV X2,000 10µm

Schematic representation of Zirconia loaded fibers



Sample A

Sample B

Sample C

Sample D

Sample AE

Sample BE

Sample CE

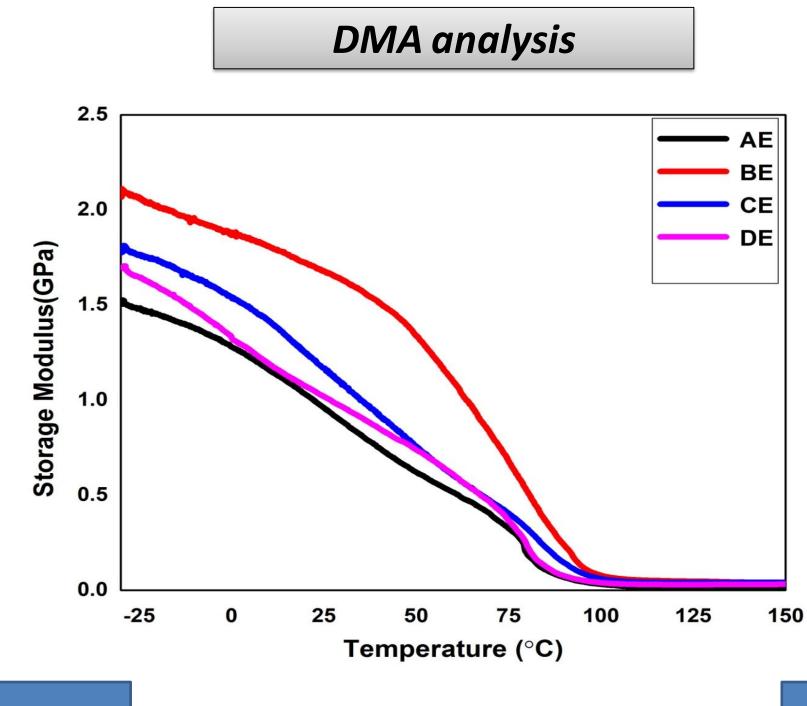
Sample DE

Frequency(GHz)

Frequency (GHz)

EMI Measurements Sample A Sample B Sample C Sample D sheilding

Number of layers



SEM-EDAX

12 52 SEI

TEM Micrographs $0.5 \mu m$

RAMAN Spectra

Sample A

Sample B

Sample C

Sample D

> Zirconia embedded carbon nanofibers were prepared successfully by electrospinning and subsequent carbonization.

Conclusions

- > Thus prepared mats displayed excellent EMI shielding effectiveness and the effectiveness is observed to increase with no of layers.
- Further these mats are incorporated with epoxy and epoxy laminates were prepared
- These epoxy laminates are observed to have good mechanical properties as well as enhanced EMI shielding capability.

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