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Energy harvesting structures optimized through green silicone chemistry

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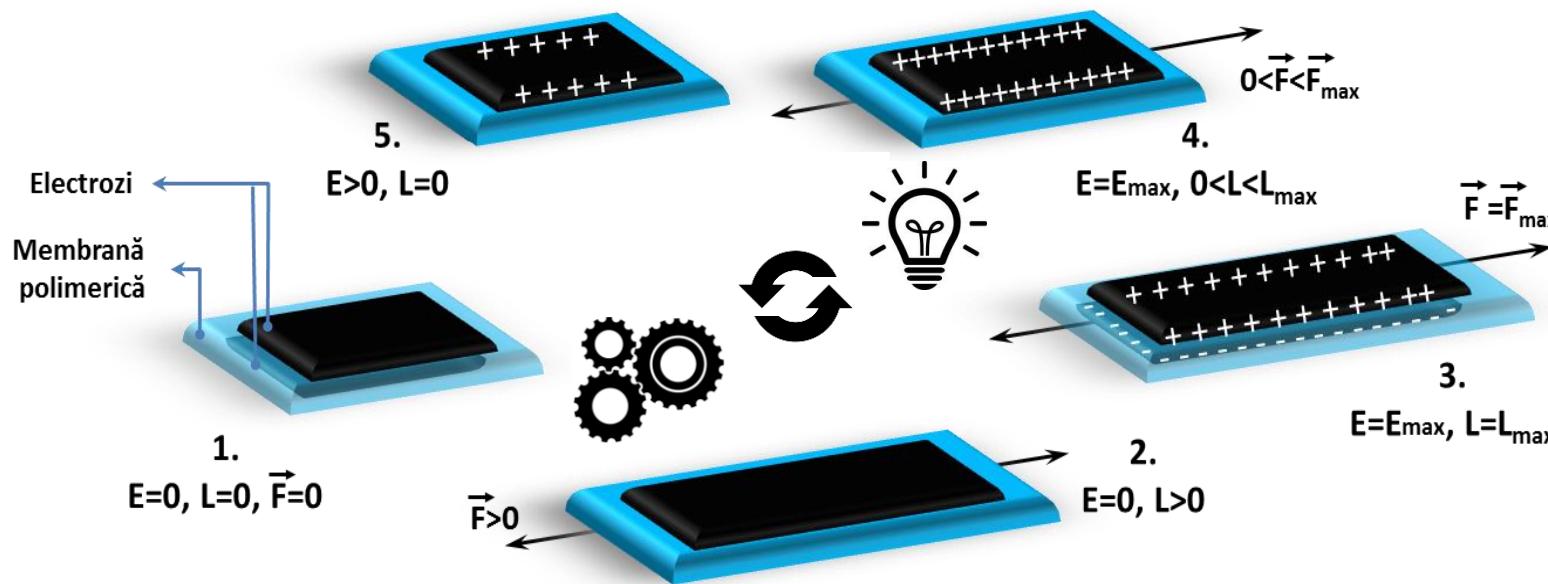
Implementation period: 1.01.2017-30.06.2018

Project budget: 600 000 lei

Project leader: Dr. Maria Cazacu

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Scopul proiectului este de a dezvolta, printr-o abordare relativ "verde", o tehnologie de laborator pentru obtinerea de elemente active capabile sa transforme eficient energia mecanica in energie electrica. Acestea se bazeaza pe filme de elastomeri dielectrici (DE), acoperite pe ambele parti cu electrozi complianti, care formeaza un un capacitor sau un generator - DEG.

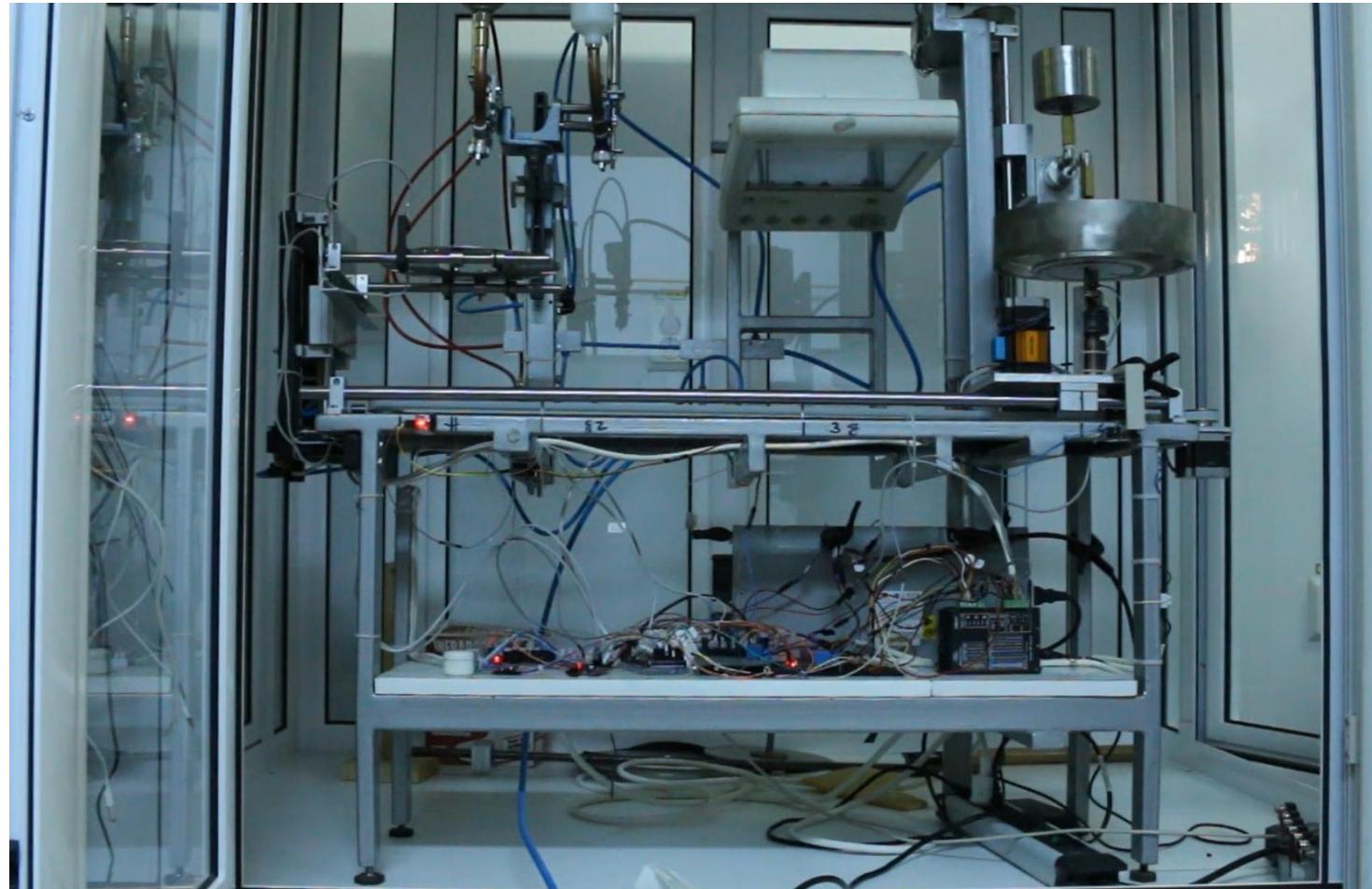


Proiectul raspunde la una din marile provocari cu care se confrunta societatea privind sursele de energie eficiente, curate si sigure. Elastomerii dielectrici (ED) s-au evideniat ca materiale promitatoare pentru conversia de energie oferind numeroase avantaje fata de alte tehnologii prin eficienta ridicata in generarea de energie (alungire si densitate de energie ridicata) si proprietati de material mai bune (cost scazut, complianta ridicata, durabilitate si toleranta la mediul inconjurator).

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Proiectul va furniza o tehnologie de laborator capabila sa produca elemente de recoltare de energie ajustabile in functie de cerinte, formate din straturi flexibile alternante de dielectric/electrod bazate pe diferite combinatii de siliconi.



GreEnergy - Etape, activitati si livrabile asociate

Etapa 1: Proiectarea si optimizarea elastomerului dielectric si a electrodului

Activitati

A1.1.Optimizarea structurii si componitiei materialului dielectric

A1.2. Prepararea de materiale de umplutura

A1.3. Optimizarea procesului de formare si reticulare a filmului dielectric si a geometriei acestuia

A1.4. Evaluarea comportarii mecanice si dielectrice a filmelor dielectrice preparate

A1.5. Optimizarea structurii si componitiei electrodului

A1.6. Caracterizarea electrozilor sub forma de filme de sine statatoare

A1.7. Optimizarea procesului de depunere a electrodului pe dielectric

A1.8. Evaluarea comportarii mecanice si electrice a ansamblului dielectric-electrod

A1.9. Diseminarea rezultatelor stiintifice: participare la manifestari stiintifice, redactare si publicare de lucrari stiintifice

Rezultate asteptate

- Cel putin patru polimeri siloxanici de mase moleculare prestabilite
- Cel putin doi polisiloxani modificati cu grupe polare
- Cel putin un material de umplutura, si anume nanotuburi de TiO₂
- Filme dielectrice de diferite marimi
- Fisa cu specificatii tehnice pentru filme dielectrice
- Filme de electrod
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- Elemente pentru unitati de conversie a energiei
- Fisa cu specificatii tehnice pentru elemente de conversie a energiei
- Doua articole stiintifice trimise la publicat

Etapa 2: Validarea in laborator a demonstratorului experimental de laborator

Activitati

A2.1. Stabilirea configuratiei si punerea in functiune a instalatiei pentru depunerea succesiva de filme de elastomeri dielectrici si electrozi complianti si demonstrare

A2.2. Up-gradarea si realizarea configuratiei necesare a instalatiei de evaluare a capacitatii de conversie de energie a unitatilor obtinute

A2.3. Demonstrarea functionalitatii metodei/procedurii

A2.4. Diseminarea rezultatelor stiintifice: Participare la manifestari stiintifice, redactare si publicare de lucrari stiintifice

Rezultate asteptate

- Instalatie de laborator pentru producerea de elemente pentru unitati de conversie a energiei
- Echipament de laborator configurat pentru teste de recoltare a energiei
- Un articol stiintific trimis la publicat

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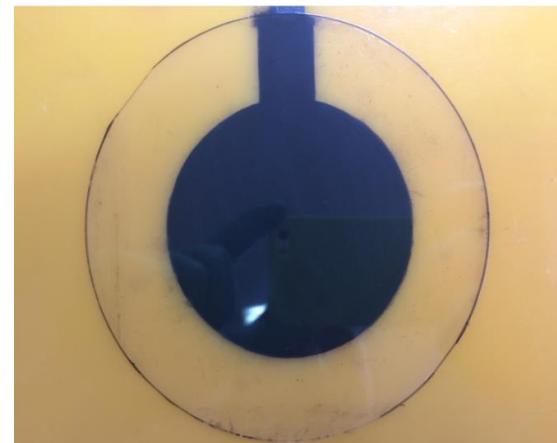


Imagini ale elementelor unui generator polimeric obtinut in etapele proiectului

- Filme dielectrice (activitatea A1.3)



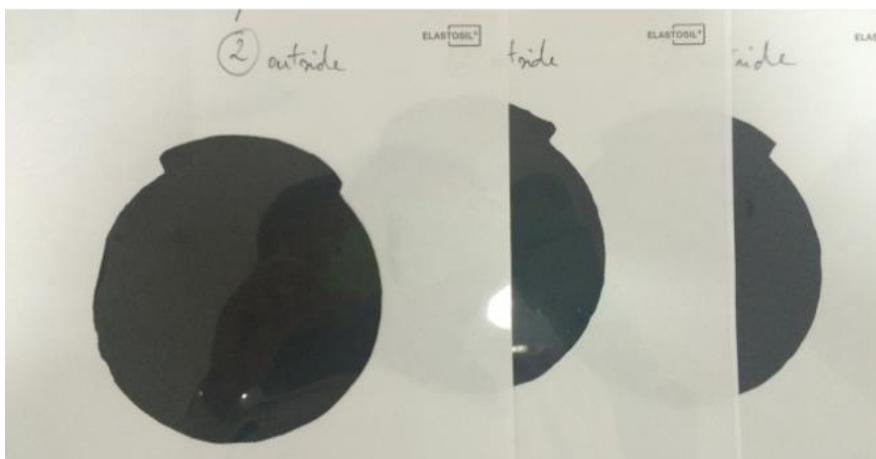
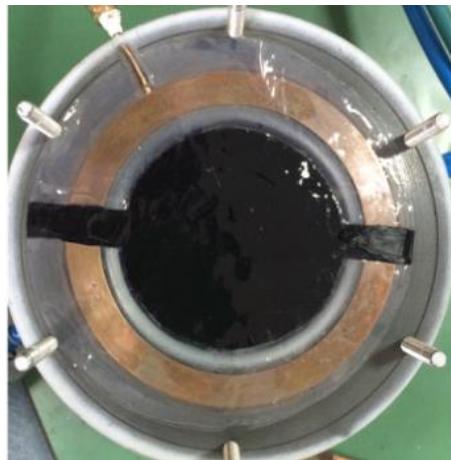
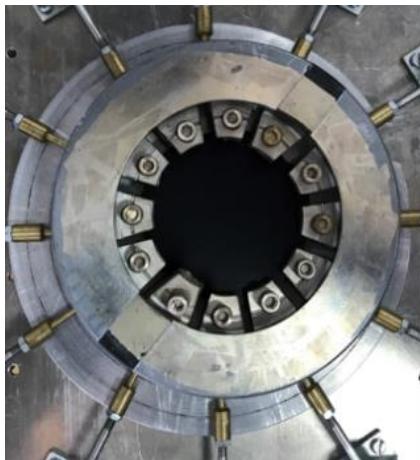
- Filme de electrod (activitatea A1.5 si A1.6).



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Imagini ale unitatilor de conversie obtinute in etapele proiectului

- Unitati de conversie obtinute in activitatea A1.7



GreEnergy – Echipa proiectului



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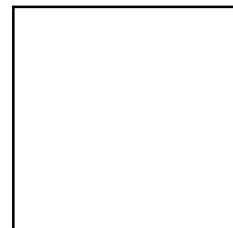
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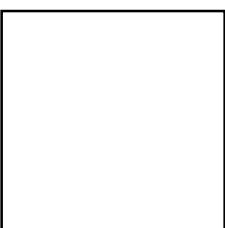
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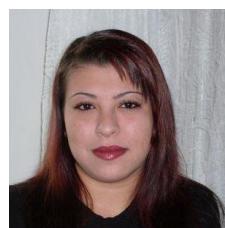
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