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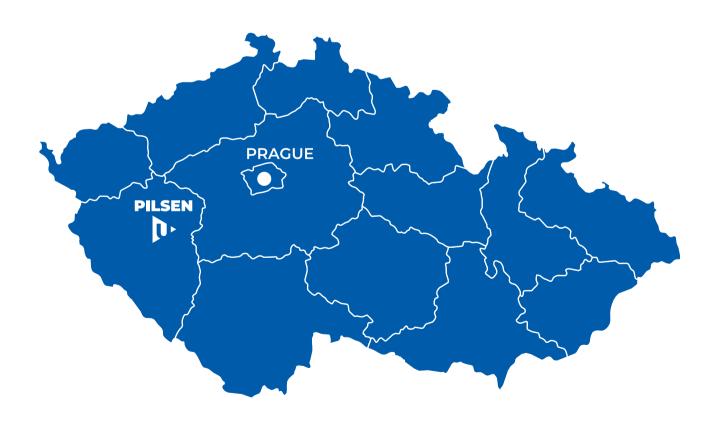






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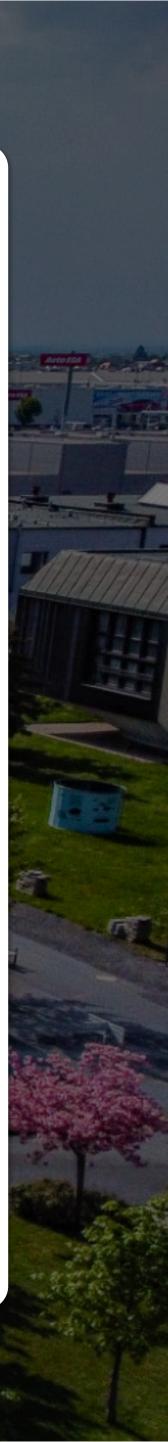


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MAIN RESEARCH TARGETS

Transport Systems Traction vehicles and systems Automotive (HEV/FEV) E-mobility and complex transport systems Power Engineering Nuclear technology New technologies for the production of electricity and heat Smart grids and smart cities MV power electronics Renewable energy sources Molecular electronics and sensors Organic electronics and semiconductors Printed and flexible electronics Mikrovia and Embedded technology Sensors and "smart" sensor systems Smart textiles

CORE COMPETENCIES Power electronics INDUSTRIAL PARTNERS & Drives **RICE** Materials research Electronic, Embedded systems, ICT **Control Theory Modeling and Computation** Mechanical Eng. ICT Diagnostics, **Testing and Validation Natural Science R & D Partners**





Process engineering





Printed electronics

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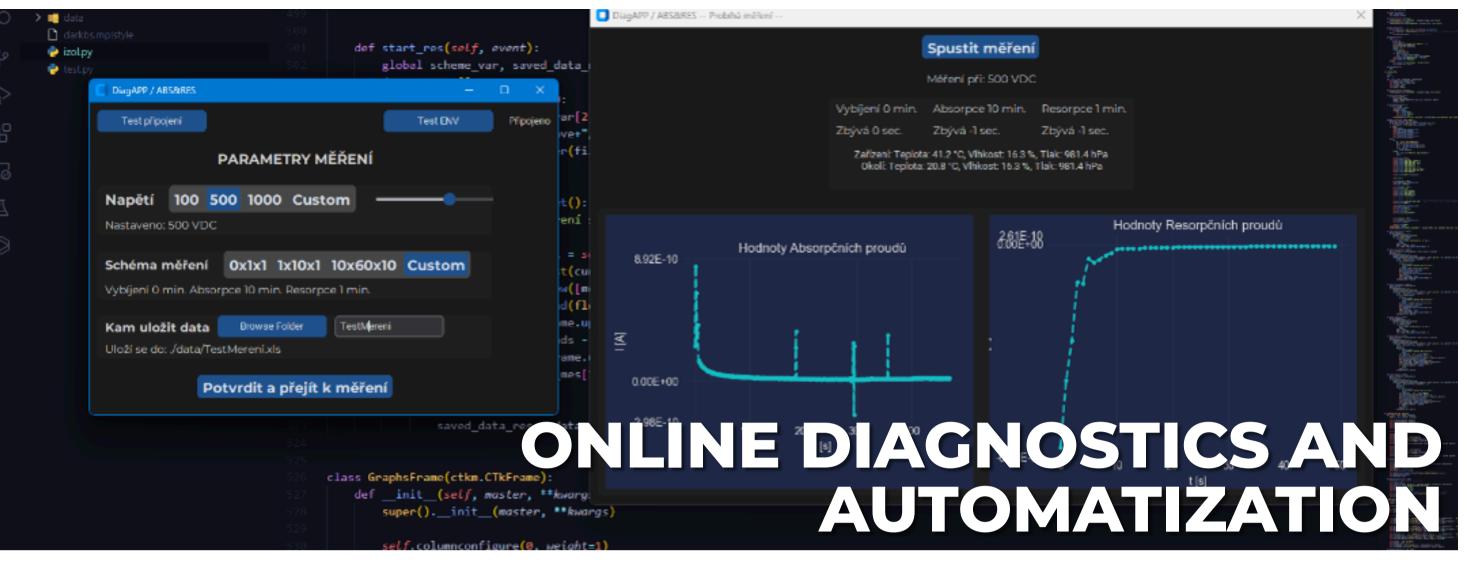




NEW HV DIELECTRIC MATERIALS





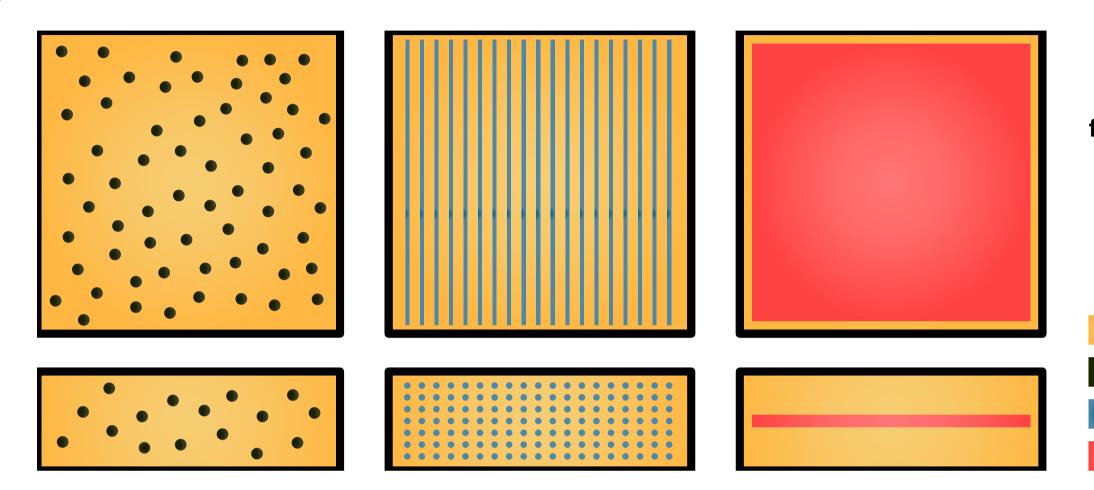




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CURRENT STATE OF NANOCOMPOSITES



WHY NANOFILLERS? MECHANICAL PROPERTIES DIELECTRIC PROPERTIES CONDUCTIVE PROPERTIES ENERGY STORAGE FIRE RETARDANCY

filler size 10⁻⁹ m

COMMONLY INVESTIGATED NANOFILLERS METAL OXIDES (SiO₂, MgO, TiO₂, Al₂O₃, Fe₃O₄....) LAYERED NANOCLAYS (MMT....) CARBON-BASED (CNT. GRAPHENE....)

matrix particle filler fiber filler layered filler

(CNI, ORAPII	
Material	Dielectric consta
SiO ₂ (silicon di oxide)	3.5-4.5, 3.9
Al ₂ O ₃ (aluminium oxide)	8.5–9
Si ₃ N ₄ (silicon nitride)	6.2
HfO ₂ (hafnium oxide)	22, 25
MgO (magnesium oxide)	9.8
ZrO ₂ (zirconium dioxide)	25, 17.5

80-100

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TiO₂ (titanium dioxide)

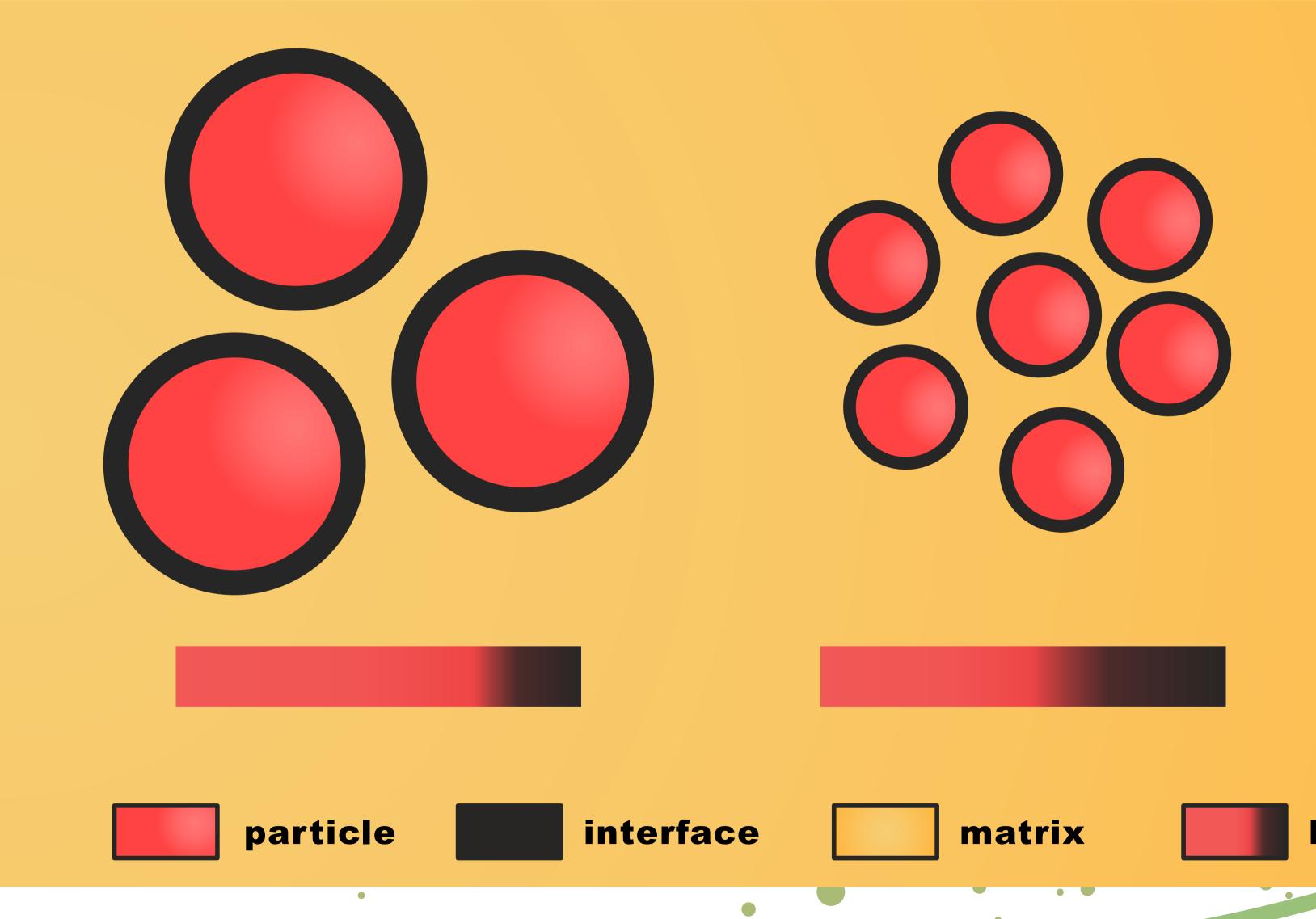
 Ta_2O_3 (tantalum pentoxide)

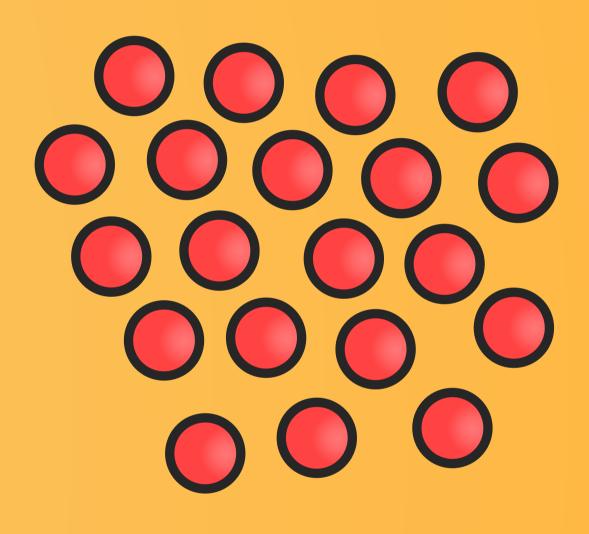
Adding a few wt. % enhances desired properties.

Kumar, Brijesh & Kaushik, Brajesh Kumar & Negi, Yuvraj. (2014). Perspectives and challenges for organic thin film transistors: Materials, devices, processes and applications. Journal of Materials Science: Materials in Electronics. 25. 10.1007/s10854-013-1550-2.



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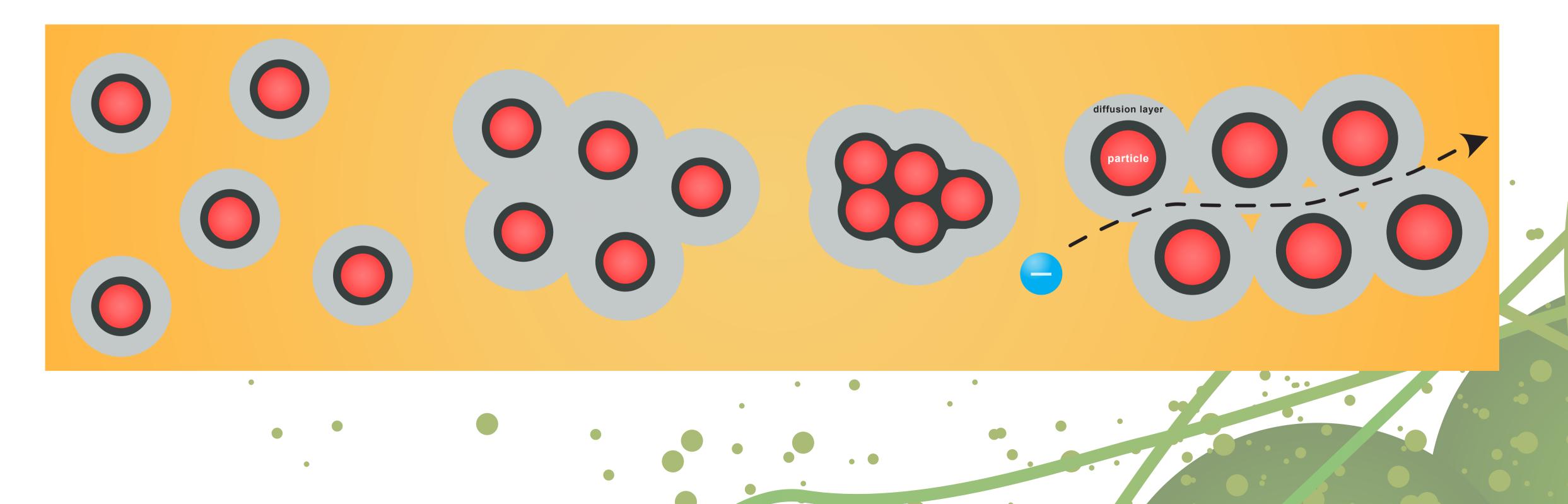


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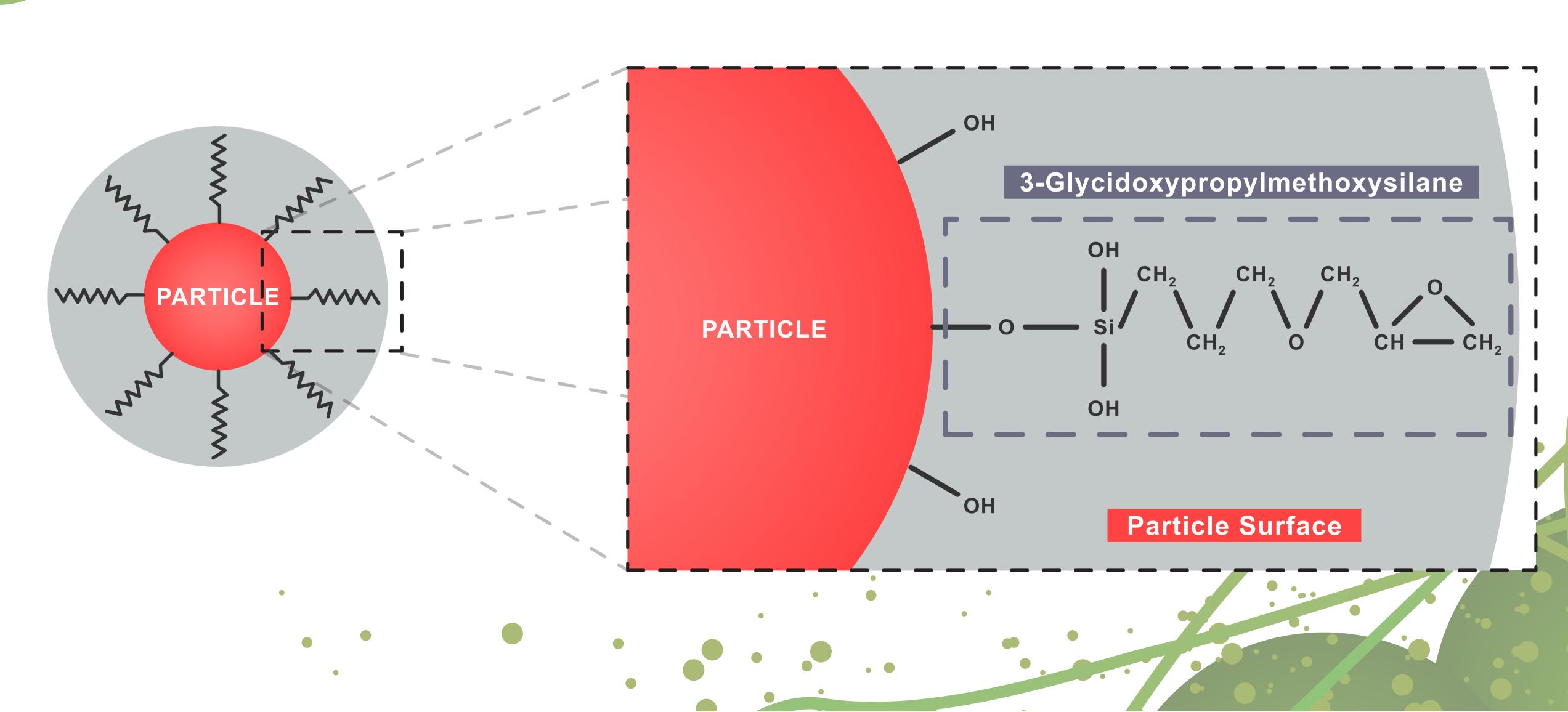


CURRENT STATE OF NANOCOMPOSITES

CHALLENGES WITH NANCOMPOSITES AGGREGATION VS DISPERSION -> SPACE CHARGE -> DIELECTRIC PROPERTIES **HIGH COST** - CERTAIN NANOFILLERS -> USE OF HYBRID FILLERS **BALANCE (MATERIALS AND WT. %)** - THERE IS NO FILLER THAT IMPROVES EVERYTHING

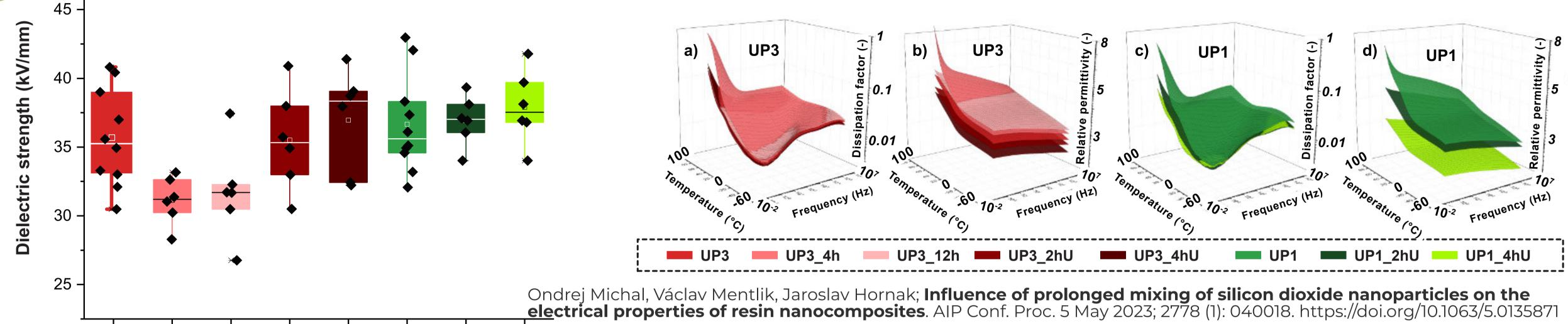


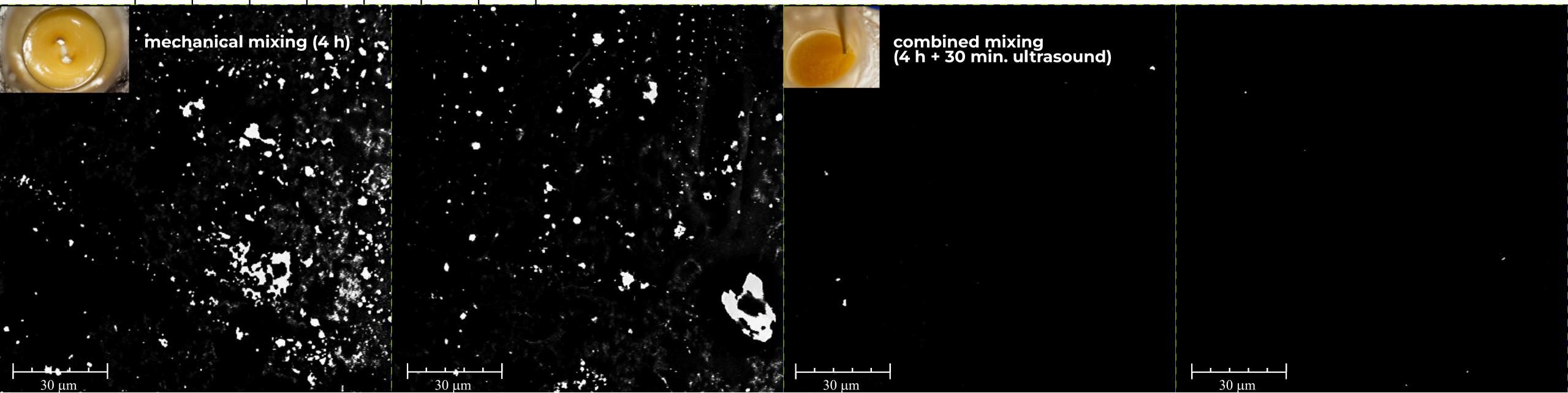
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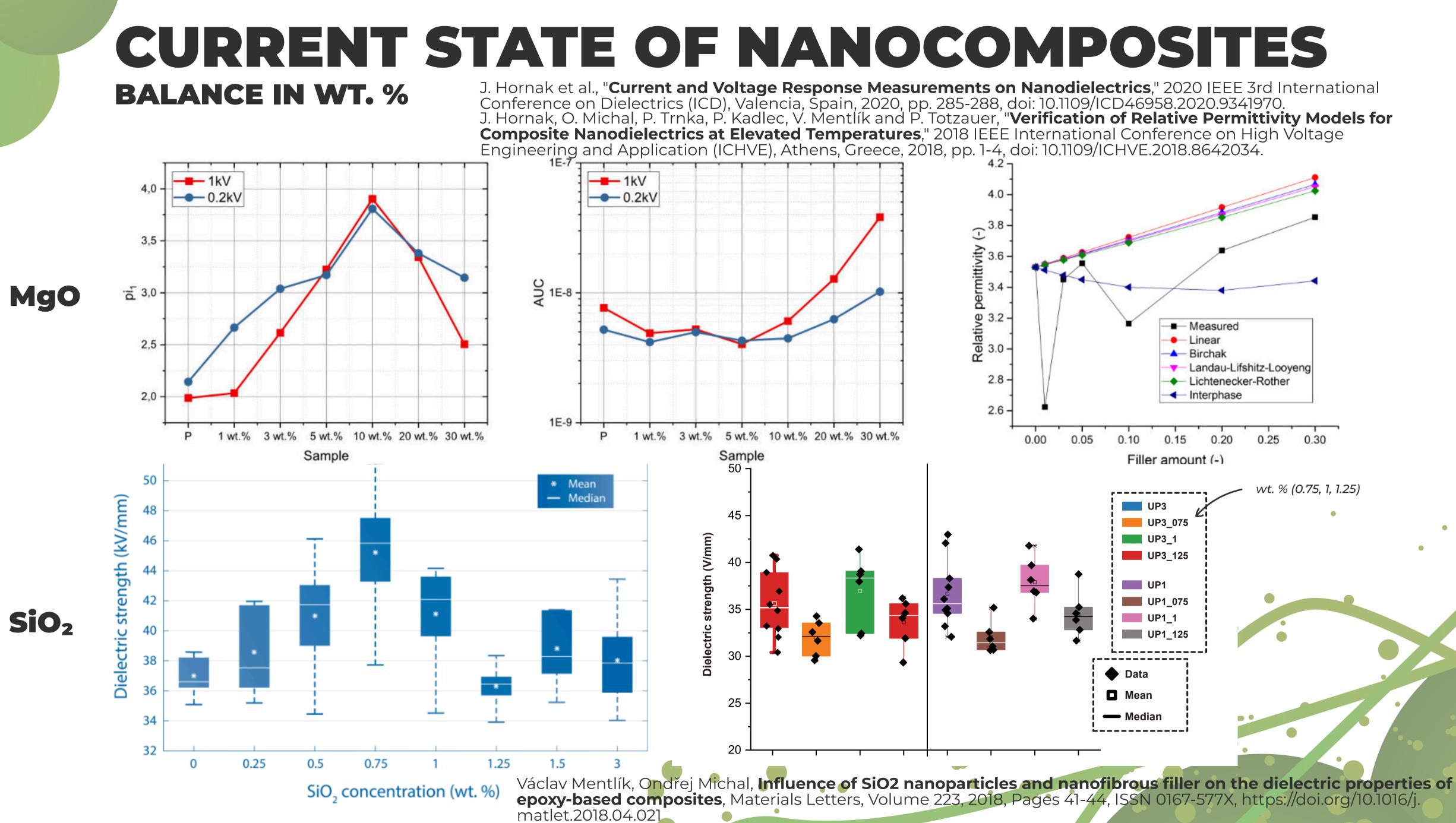


CURRENT STATE OF NANOCOMPOSITES AGGREGATION VS DISPERSION functionalized SiO₂ nanoparticles (1 wt. %, 10 nm)

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SUSTAINABILITY IN NANO ADDITIVES



SUSTAINABILITY IN NANO ADDITIVES WHAT IS THAT EVEN MEANS?

REDUCING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

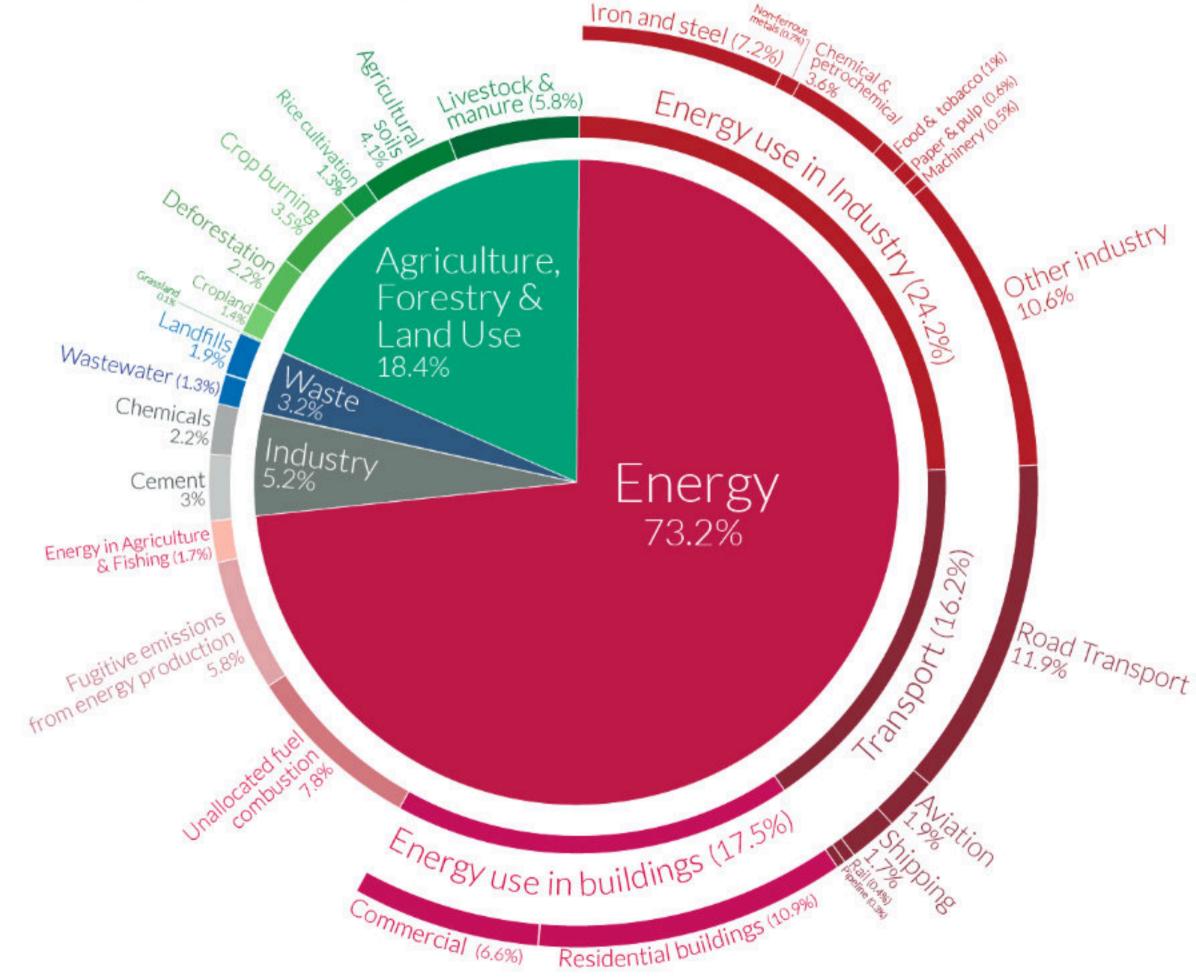
Nanofillers that are dispersed within a *polymer* matrix, improve their mechanical, thermal, and dielectric properties. However, the sustainability of these materials depends on various factors, including the **source** of the nanofillers, their **lifecycle**, and the potential for **recycling** or **biodegradability**.

ECO-FRIENDLY SOURCES AND SYNTHESIS LIFECYCLE ASSESSMENT AND END-OF-LIFE STRATEGIES BIODEGRADABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRAPATION



Global greenhouse gas emissions by sector

This is shown for the year 2016 – global greenhouse gas emissions were 49.4 billion tonnes CO_2eq .

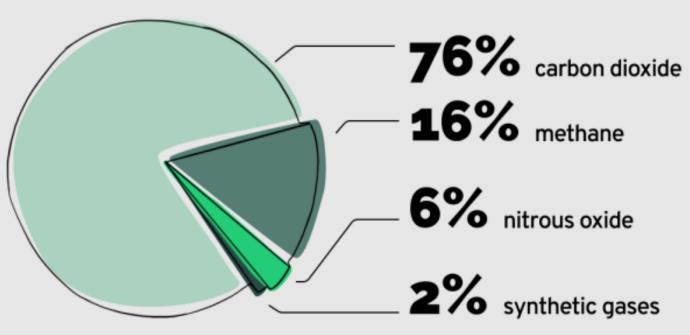


Hannah Ritchie (2020) - "Sector by sector: where do global greenhouse gas emissions come from?" Published online at OurWorldInData.org. Retrieved from: 'https://ourworldindata. org/ghg-emissions-by-sector' [Online Resource]



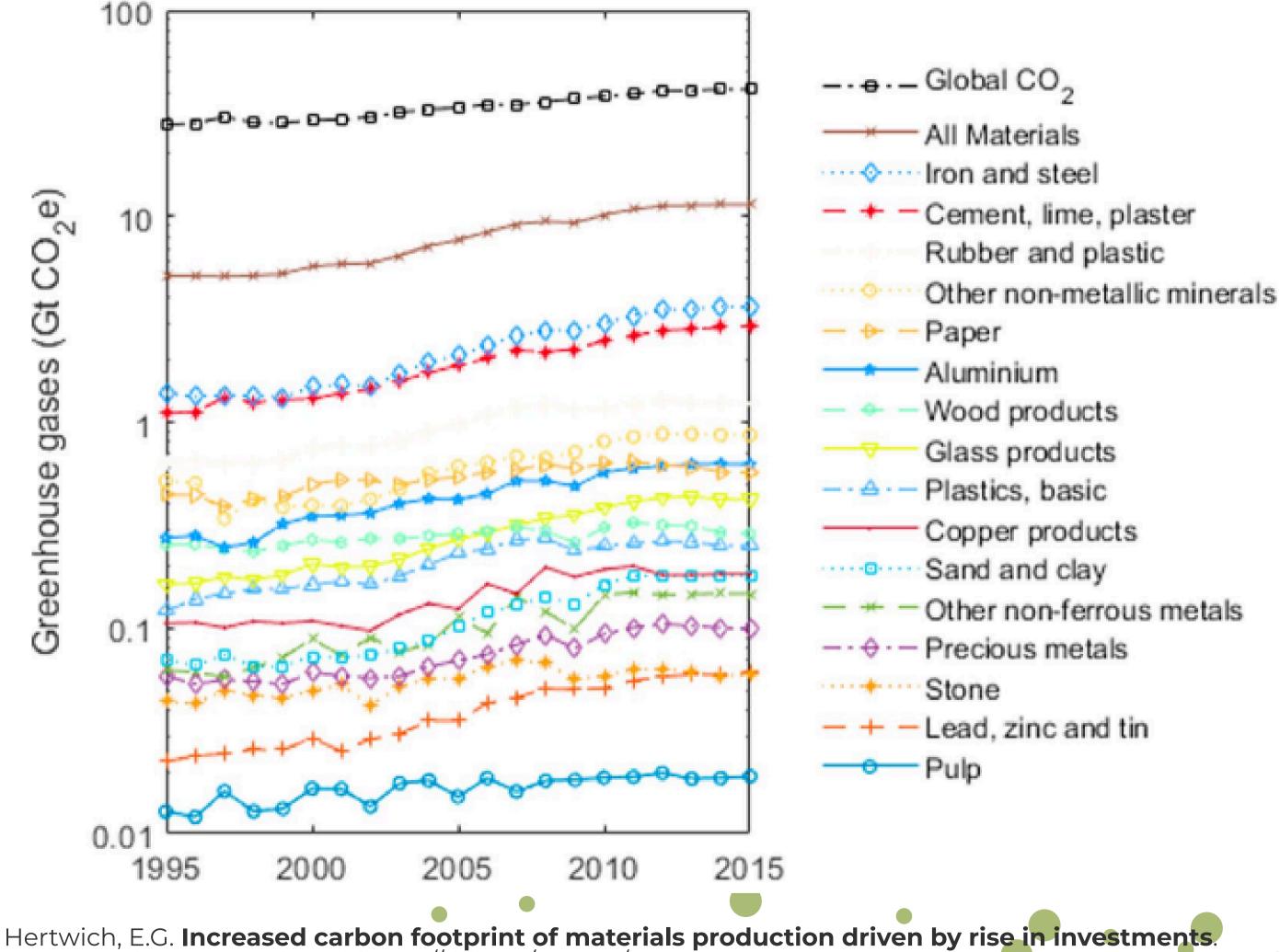
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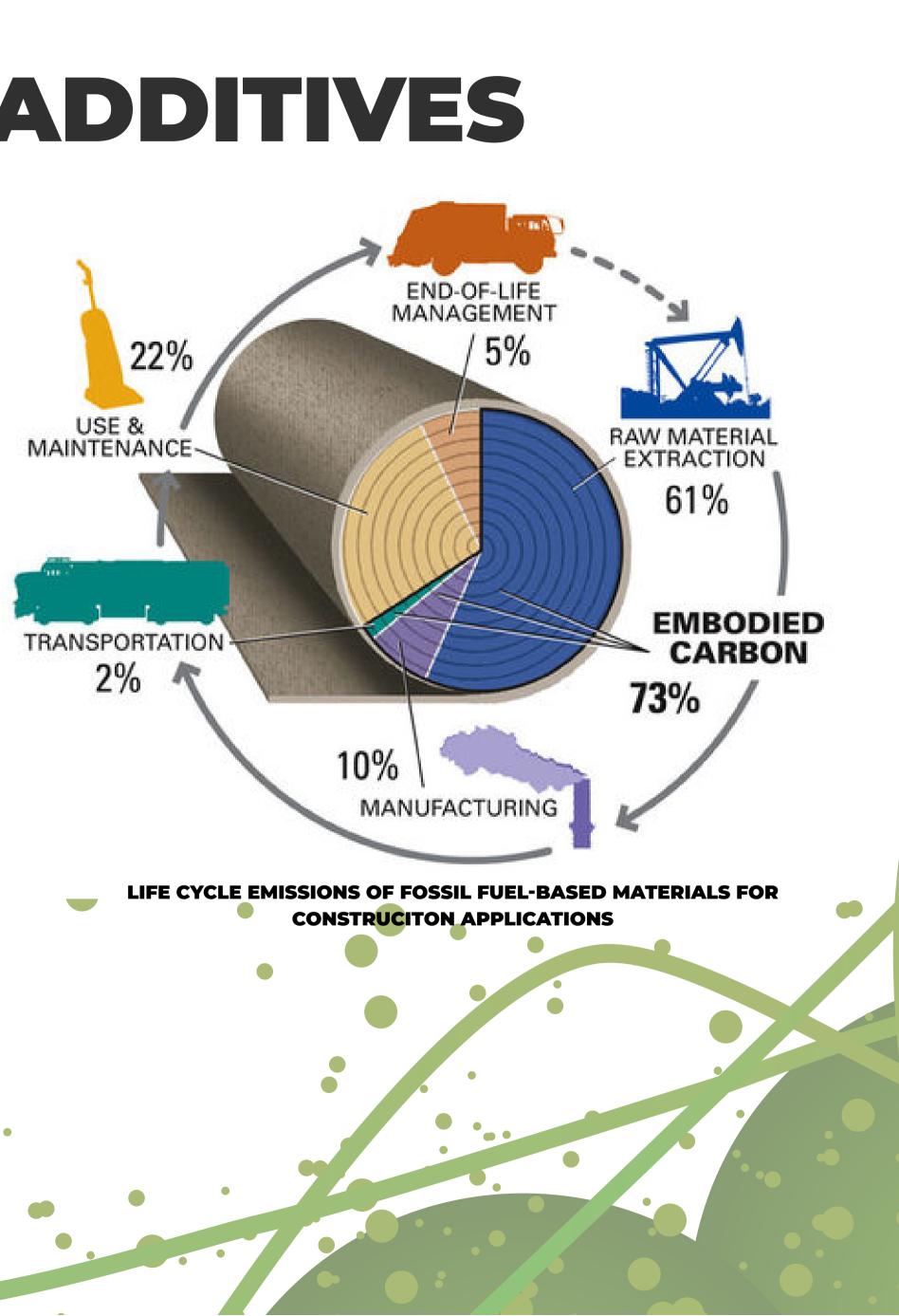
GLOBAL GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS PER TYPE OF GAS. SOURCE: EPA.

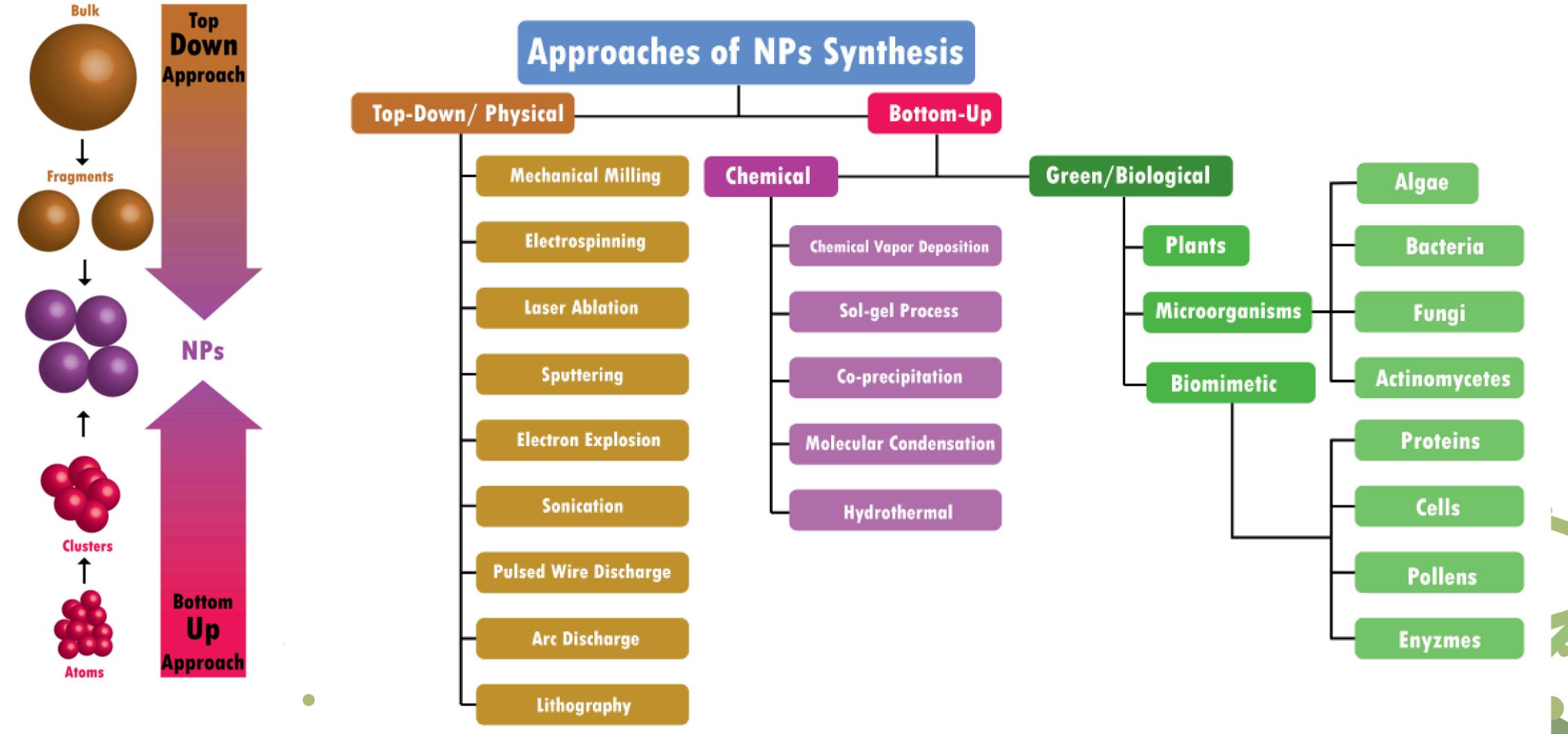




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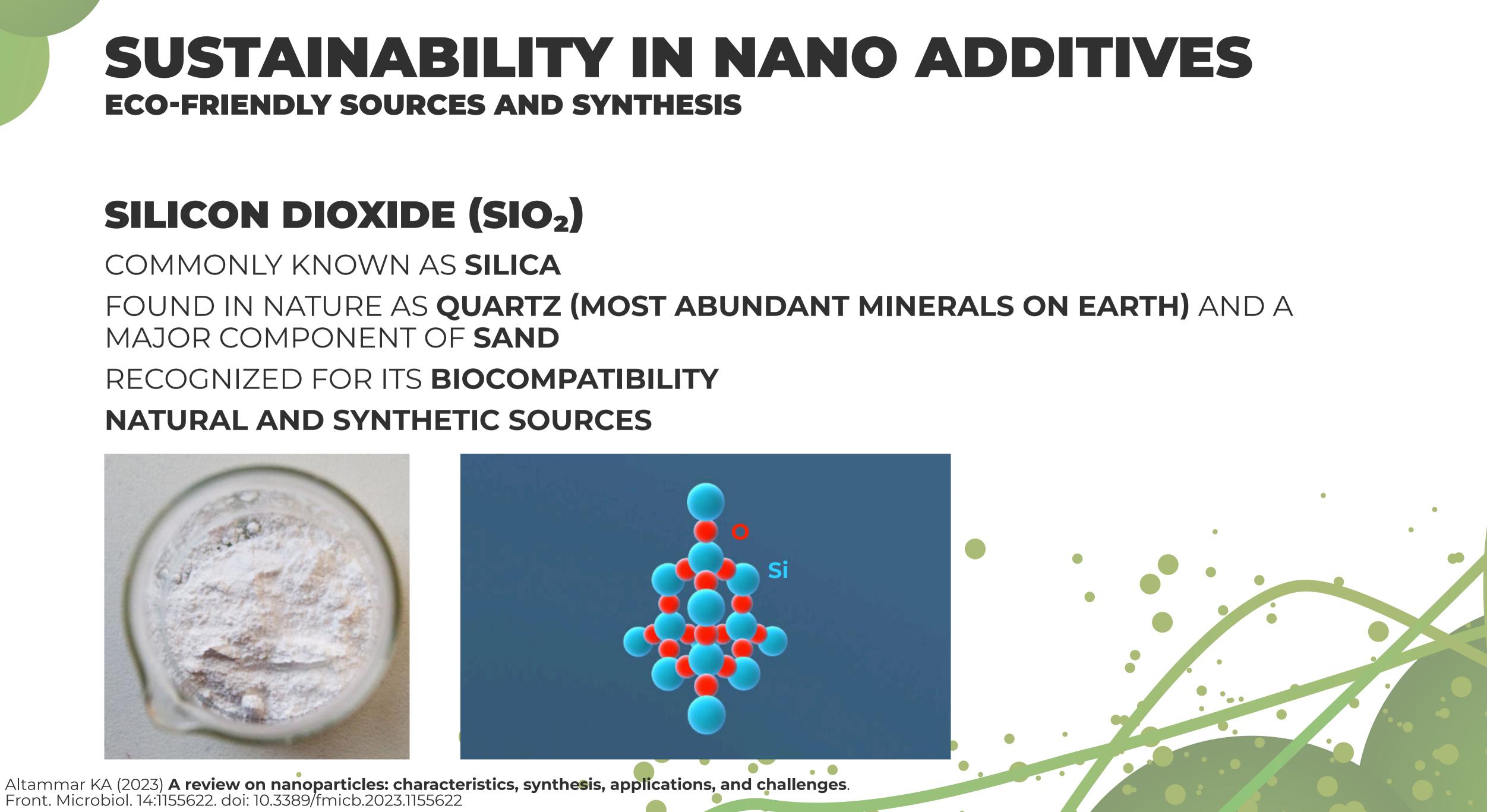




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ECO-FRIENDLY SOURCES AND SYNTHESIS



*1 - aqueous alkali metal silicate solution -> melted quartz sand with soda (Na₂CO₃) at about 900-1300 °C

CHEMICAL SYNTHESIS OF SiO₂

(e.g., H₂SO₄) RELEASING SiO₂ AND nH₂O (FINAL NPS FILTERED AND DRIED)

PYROGENIC/FUMED: REACTION OF SILICON TETRACHLORIDE **SiCl**₄ WITH O AND H IN A FLAME

INDEPENDENT/STÖBER METHOD: ADDING PRECURSOR (MAINLY SILICON ALKOXIDE **TEOS)** (0.1–0.5 M) IN **ETHANOL** IN THE PRESENCE OF AMMONIUM HYDROXIDE (**NH₄OH**) (0.5–3 M) AND H₂O (0.5–17 M) AT 25 °C. MODIFIED VERSIONS FOR BETTER DISPERSED NPs OF THIS METHOD USING CTAB (REPLACEMENT ALCOHOLS WITH ALDEHYDES)

NEGATIVES

HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS HARMFUL TO THE ENVIRONMENT (CTAB, SOLVENTS...) **COSTLY TECHNIQUES (BY THE USE OF TEOS, SPECIFICALLY)**

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PRECIPITATED: WATER GLASS^{*1}(Na₂O · nSiO₂; n = 2–4)) IS NEUTRALIZED WITH ACID



GREEN SYNTHESIS OF SiO₂ (biomass and agricultural waste) CURENTLY DISCUSSED TOPIC OF RESEARCHERS IMPORTANCE OF PRETREATMENT OF WASTE

HIGH IMPURITY CONTENT, SUCH AS METAL OXIDES LIKE IRON OXIDE (Fe₂O₃), OBSTRUCTS THE PROCESS OF OBTAINING SILICA WITH AN ACCEPTABLE HIGH PURITY. ACID LEACHING (H₂SO₄) IS REQUIRED TO RETAIN THE BIOGENIC STRUCTURE OF SILICA WHILE REMOVING IMPURITIES. REPLACEMENT FOR ECO-FRIENDLY LEACHING AGENT (LIKE CA -> $C_6H_8O_7$)

TABLE: ASH AND SIO₂ CONTENT OF SOME PLANTS

TABLE: SILICA COMPOSITION OF VARIOUS AGRICULTURAL WASTES

Plant	Part of plant	Ash%	Silica%	Agricultural waste	Silica content (%)					
Cane	Husk	_	08.00	Sugarcane bagasse ash	55-88.7					•
Coffee	Husk		12.00	Bamboo lead ash	49.9					
Bagasse		14.71	73.00	Rice husk ash	86-97				•	
Bamboo	Nodes (inner portion)	1.44	57.40	Rice straw	84.6					
Bread fruit tree	Steam	8.64	81.80	Wheat husk ash	40.5-59.7				•	
Corn	Leaf sheath	12.15	64.32	Palm oil ash	45.5		•			
Lantana	Leaf and stem	11.24	23.38							
Rice husk		22.15	93.00		•					
Rice straw	_	14.65	82.00							
Sorghum	Leaf sheath epidermis	12.25	88.75					• <u> </u>	•	
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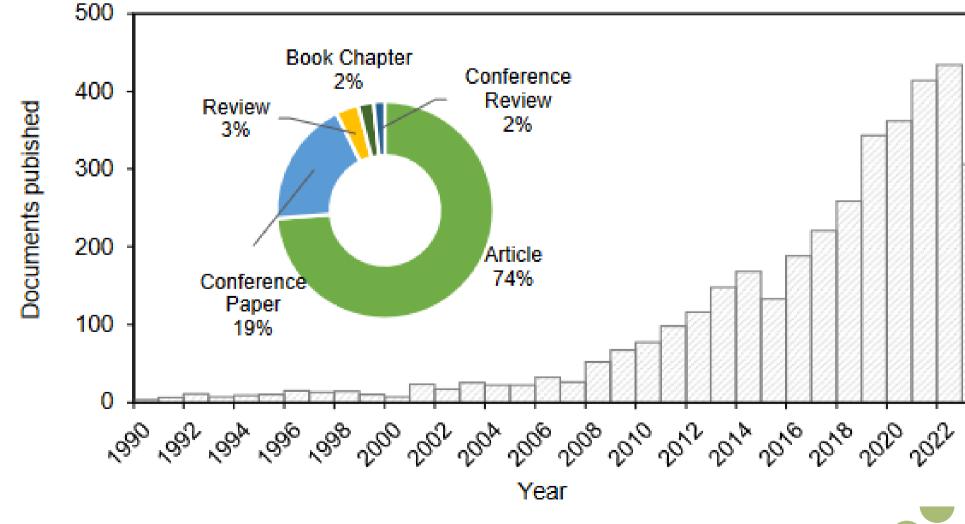


ECO-FRIENDLY SOURCES AND SYNTHESIS SYNTHESIS OF SiO₂ FROM RICE HUSK

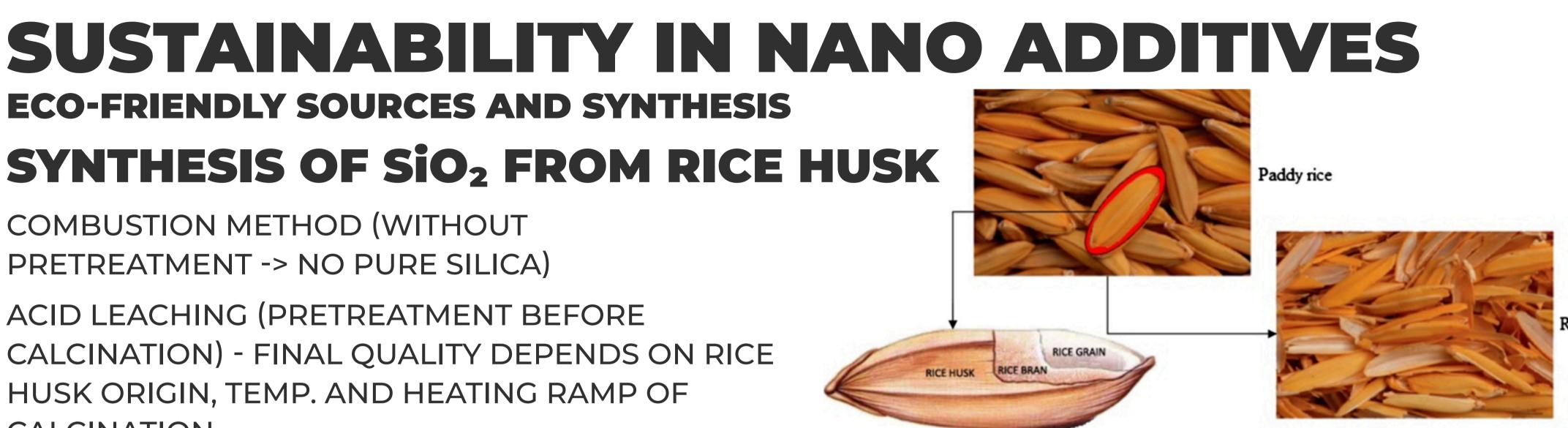
COMBUSTION METHOD (WITHOUT PRETREATMENT -> NO PURE SILICA)

ACID LEACHING (PRETREATMENT BEFORE CALCINATION) - FINAL QUALITY DEPENDS ON RICE HUSK ORIGIN, TEMP. AND HEATING RAMP OF CALCINATION.

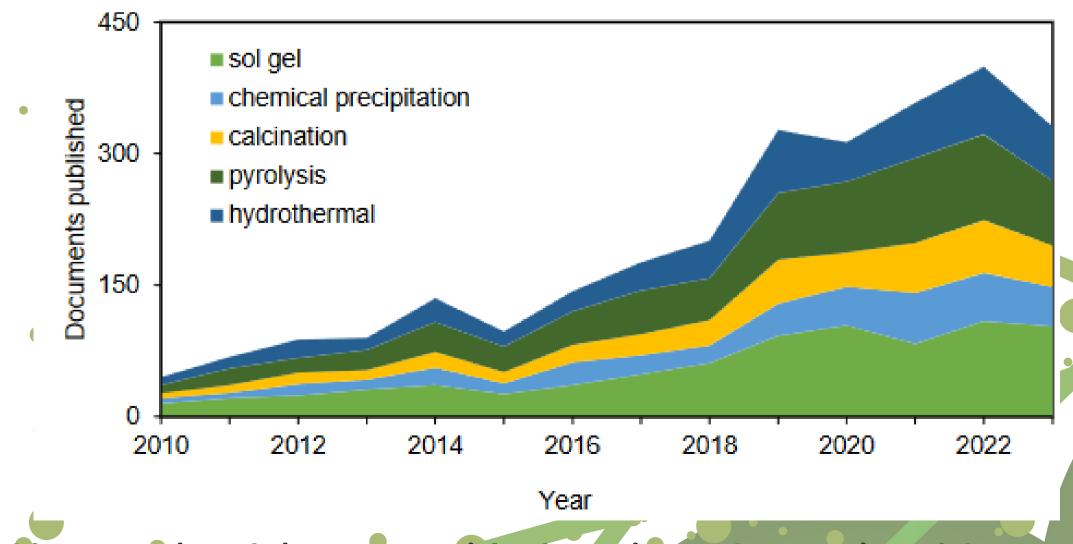
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EVOLUTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLISHED PAPERS ON SILICA EXTRACTION TECHNIQUES INVOLVING RICE HUSK DURING THE LAST DECADE (SCOPUS)





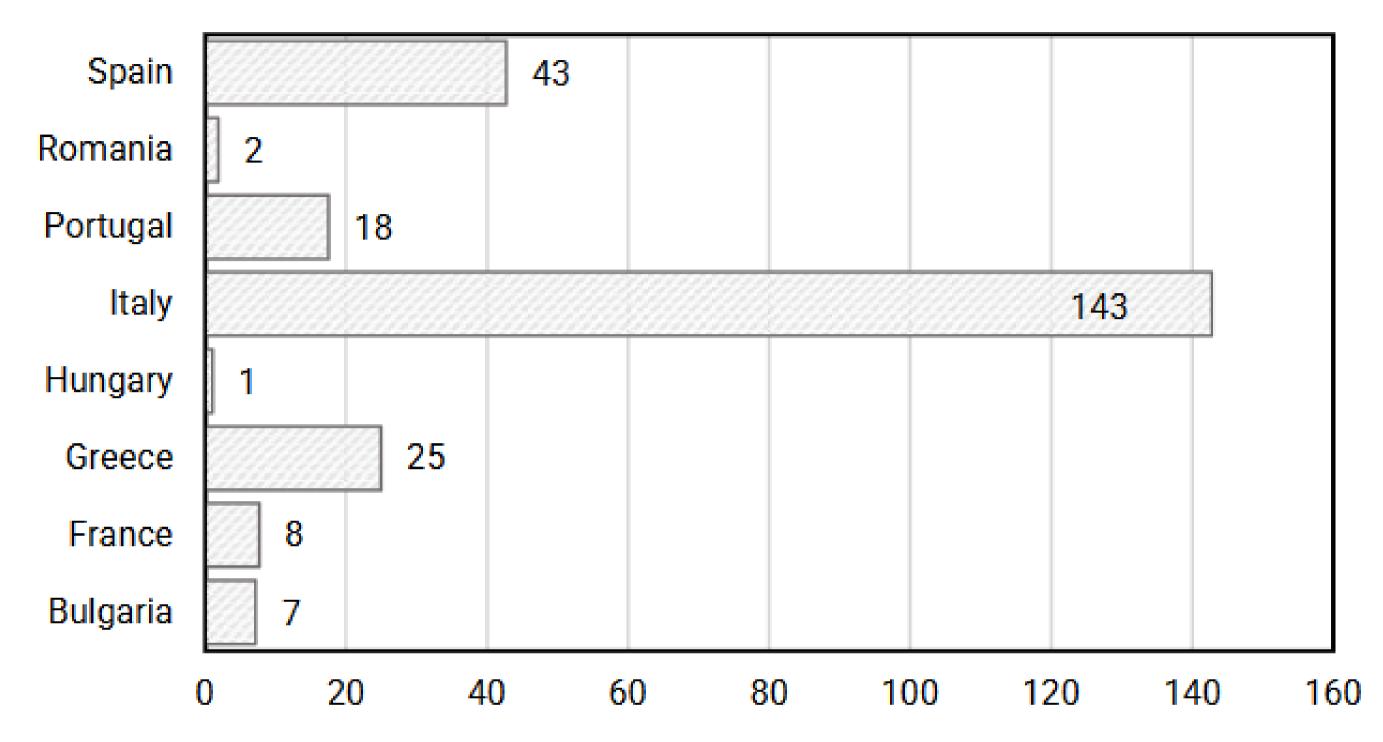
Country	Pretreatment	Acid Washing	Calcination	S _{BET} (m²/g)
China	Drying at 105 °C	HCl 0.7 M for 1 h at RT (better than acetic acid)	600 or 700 °C for 0.5 h Oven directly set to 600 or	210
	for 2 h	H ₂ SO ₄ 0.7 M for 1 h at RT	700 °C	240
Malaysia	C ₁₂ SO ₄ Na ₂ /H ₂ O H ₂ O	HCl 0.5 M at 60 °C for 0.5 h of stirring	600 °C for 2 h	218
-	Drying at 110 °C	H ₂ SO ₄ 0.5 M at 60 °C for 0.5 h		208
Venezuela		HCl 4 M for 24 h	Sequential: 350 °C for 3 h, 550 °C for 2 h, 700 °C for 3 h Grinding for 12 h	234
China		HCl, H ₂ SO ₄ , HNO ₃ 1,2,3N at RT for 1 or 2.5 h of stirring (best to remove K: HCl 1N)	600 °C for 2 h (test: 600–1200 °C for 0.25–2 h) Grinding for 10 min	248
India	H ₂ O	H ₂ SO ₄ 1 M	700 °C for 6 h	220
Egypt	H ₂ O Drying at 110 °C Milling	Citric acid (5wt%) 50 °C 3 h + 80 °C 1 h	Sequential (10 °C/min) 310 °C for 1 h, 400 °C for 2 h, 510 °C for 5 h, 600 °C for 0.5 h	313
Turkey	H ₂ O Drying at 110 °C for 24 h	Boiling for 2 h HCl (3%v/v) reflux	600 °C for 4 h (10 °C/min)	321
France	H ₂ O	HNO ₃ 2 M 100 °C 1 h, washed at pH 7, dried at 100 °C for 12 h	700 °C (5 °C/min)	330
China	H ₂ O Drying at 110 °C Pulverized in 10–60 Mesh	HCl 8 wt% of 1 g/10 mL at 120 °C for 4 h, washed at pH 7, dried at 110 °C for 3 h	300 °C for 0.5 h N ₂ (1 L/min) (20 °C/min) 610 °C for 3 h O ₂ (1 L/min) (10 °C/min)	352

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TABLE: INFLUENCE OF RICE HUSK ACIDIC PRETREATMENTS AND CALCINATION PROCEDURES ON SPECIFIC SURFACE AREA OF BIOGENIC SILICA.



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RICE HUSK PRODUCTION IN EUROPE (EU-27) BY COUNTRIES (MODIFIED DATA FROM EUROPEAN COMMISSION REPORT ON RICE PRODUCTION ACCESSED IN AUGUST 2023), WITH RH ESTIMATED TO BE 20% OF THE WEIGHT OF THE RICE PROCESSED AT MILLS.

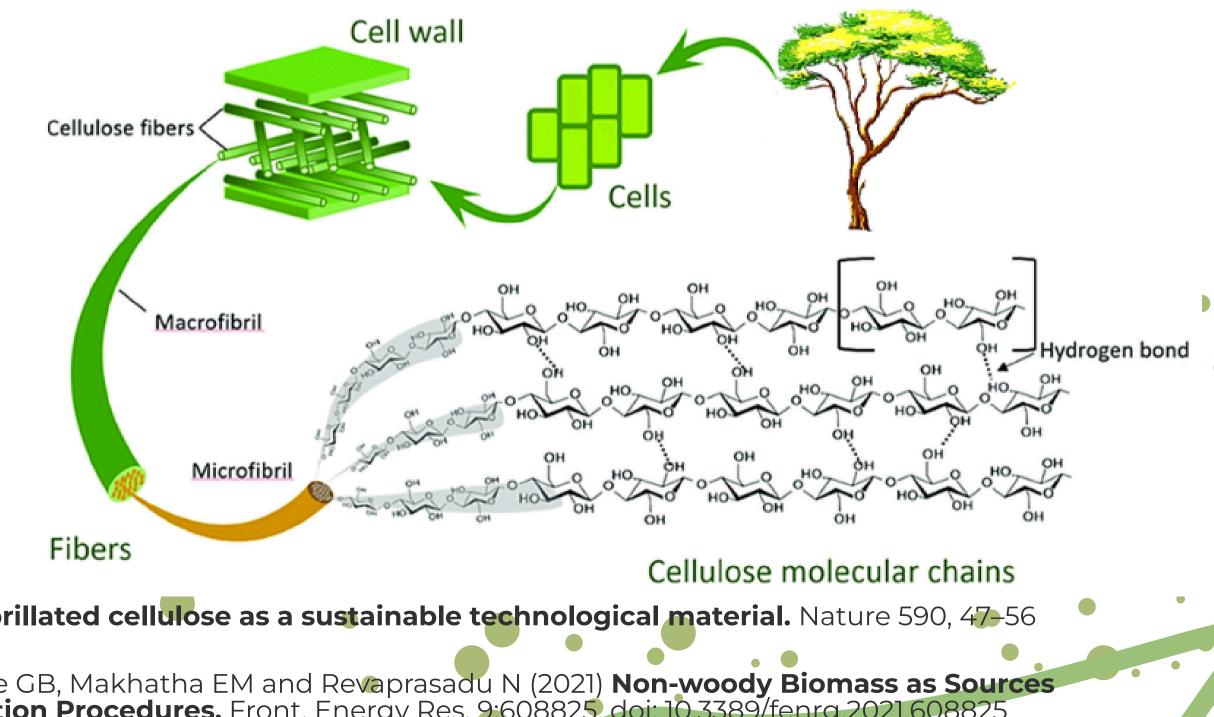


Rice husk production in 2022 (x1000 t)



NANOCELLULOSE

NANO-STRUCTURED CELLULOSE, NANOCRYSTAL VS NANOFIBRILS BIOMASS



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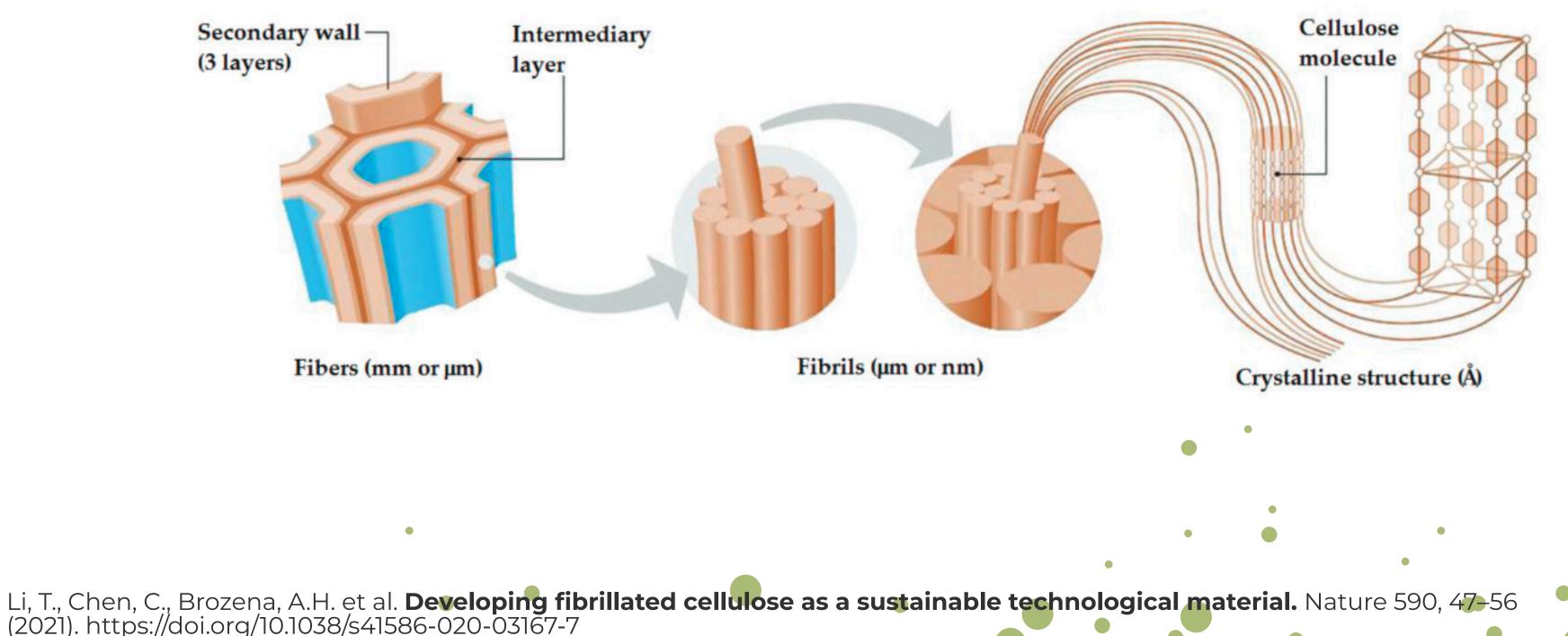
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LOW CARBON FOOTPRINT, SUSTAINABLE, RENEWABLE, RECYCLABLE AND NONTOXIC CALLED ONE OF THE POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT FOR PLASTICS -> **BIOPOLYMER** ABUNDANT MATERIAL -> TREES, WASTE FROM AGRICULTURAL CROPS AND OTHER



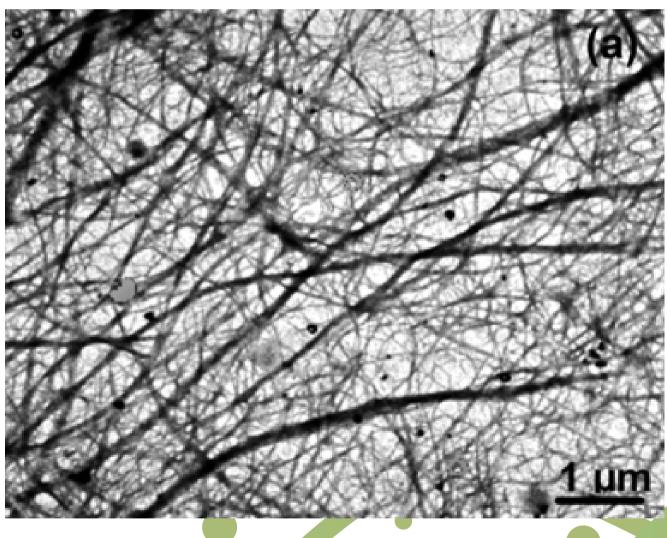
CELLULOSE NANOFIBRILS

PROCESS OF SYNTHESIS: TOP/DOWN - MECHANICAL SHEARING (HOMOGENIZER, MICROFLUIDIZER OR ULTRA-FINE FRICTION GRINDER) W: 3-100 nm L: > 1 μm



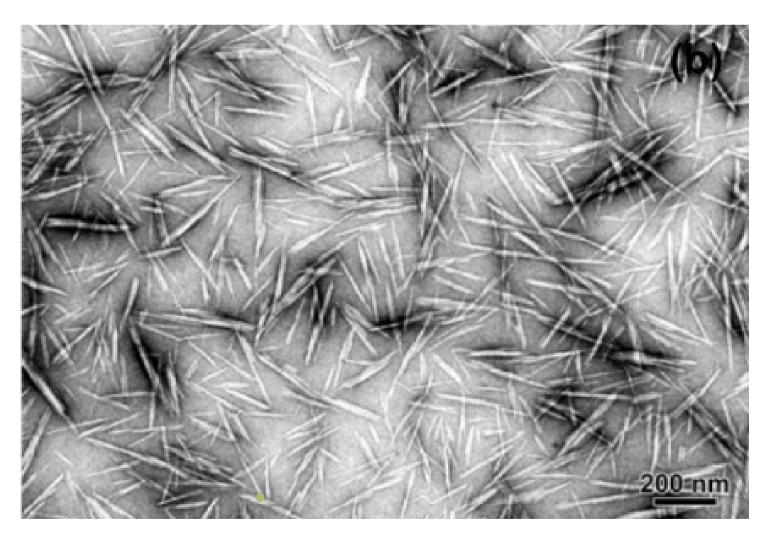
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CELLULOSE NANOCRYSTALS

THEREFORE LONGITUDINAL CUTTING OF THE MICROFIBRILS GEOMETRICAL DIMENSIONS DEPEND ON THE ORIGIN HIGH ASPECT RATIO ROD-LIKE NANOCRYSTALS (WHISKERS)



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- CONTROLLED STRONG ACID HYDROLYSIS TREATMENT (SULFURIC ACID H_2SO_4) TO CELLULOSIC FIBERS ALLOWING DISSOLUTION OF AMORPHOUS DOMAINS AND



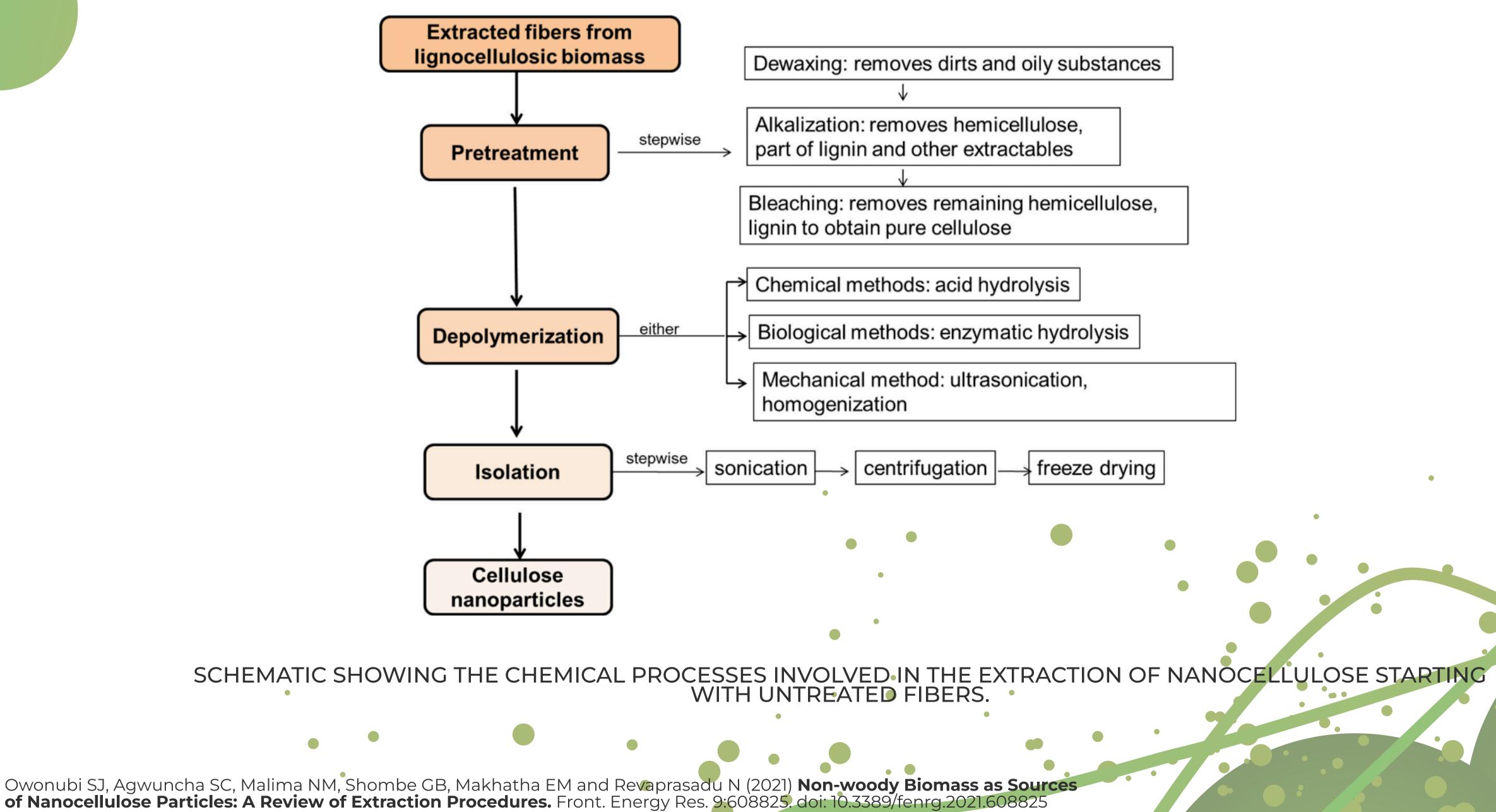




TABLE: PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION OF SELECTED LIGNOCELLULOSE BIOMASS AND PROCEDURES USE TO OBTAIN HIGHER CELLULOSE CONTENT.

	Lignocellulose biomass		ose (%)	Hemicellulose (%)	Lignin (%)	Pretreatment carried out			
		в	Α			Dewaxing	Alkaline	Bleaching	
1	Passion fruit peel	29	80	23	36	No	Yes	yes	
2	Wood	46	80	27	25	yes	yes	yes	
3	Bamboo	42	84	27	23	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4	Wheat straw	40	84	34	20	Yes	Yes	Yes	
5	Flax	75	89	13	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	
6	Grape pomace	19	80	7	16	Yes	Yes	Yes	
7	Groundnut shell	38.31	83	28	21	Yes	Yes	Yes	
8	Sugarcane bagasse	45.0	87	30	21	Yes	No	yes	
9	Tea leaf	16.2	83	68.2	19	No	Yes	Yes	
10	Hemp	70.6	_	15.6	4	Yes	Yes	Yes	
11	Sisal	62.6	_	12.5	8	Yes	Yes	Yes	
12	Flax	66	_	18	2	yes	yes	yes	
13	Bagasse	72	-	16	< 1	No	No	Yes	
14	Banana fiber	64	96	19	5	no	yes	yes	
15	Coconut	35	65	25	36	Yes	Yes	yes	
16	Jackfruit peel	20	-	24	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	
17	Soy hull	48	_	24	6	No	Yes	Yes	
18	Alfa fiber	46	87	26	_	No	Yes	Yes	
19	Sugar palm fiber	44	82	7	33	yes	yes	yes	
20	Pineapple leaf	81	99	12	3	no	yes	yes	
21	Banana stem	24	93	26	-	yes	no	yes	
22	Fique tow fiber	52	83	24	24	yes	no	yes	

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SUSTAINABILITY IN NANO ADDITIVES NON CONVENTIONAL FILLER TYPES THAT DIDN'T FIT INTO PRESENTATION

HALLOYSITE NANOTUBES

NATURALLY OCCURRING ALUMINOSILICATE MINERALS THAT ARE SIMILAR IN STRUCTURE TO CARBON NANOTUBES AND CAN BE USED TO IMPROVE MECHANICAL AND BARRIER PROPERTIES.

METAL-ORGANIC FRAMEWORKS

CRYSTALLINE COMPOUNDS CONSISTING OF METAL IONS OR CLUSTERS COORDINATED TO ORGANIC LIGANDS TO FORM ONE-, TWO-, OR THREE-DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURES. MOFS ARE EXPLORED FOR THEIR POROSITY AND POTENTIAL IN GAS STORAGE, SEPARATION, AND CATALYSIS WITHIN COMPOSITES.

LAYERED DOUBLE HYDROXIDES

INORGANIC MATERIALS WITH A LAYERED STRUCTURE THAT CAN IMPROVE FLAME RETARDANCY, THERMAL STABILITY, AND MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF POLYMERS.

CHITIN AND CHITOSAN NANOFIBERS

DERIVED FROM THE SHELLS OF CRUSTACEANS AND OTHER SOURCES, THESE BIOPOLYMERS OFFER BIOCOMPATIBILITY AND BIODEGRADABILITY, SUITABLE FOR MEDICAL AND FOOD PACKAGING APPLICATIONS.



SUSTAINABILITY IN NANO ADDITIVES NON CONVENTIONAL FILLER TYPES THAT DIDN'T FIT INTO PRESENTATION

BASALT FIBERS

MADE FROM BASALT ROCK, THESE FIBERS PROVIDE EXCELLENT THERMAL STABILITY, MECHANICAL STRENGTH, AND CHEMICAL RESISTANCE.

BIOCHAR

CHARCOAL USED AS A FILLER FOR ITS HIGH SURFACE AREA AND POROSITY, WHICH CAN ENHANCE THERMAL, MECHANICAL, AND ELECTRICAL PROPERTIES.

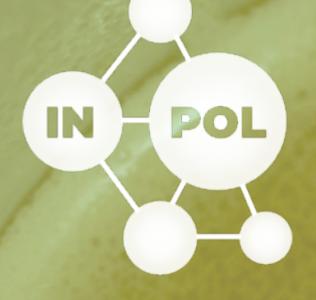
QUANTUM DOTS

NANOSCALE SEMICONDUCTOR PARTICLES THAT HAVE QUANTUM MECHANICAL PROPERTIES. THEY CAN BE USED IN POLYMER COMPOSITES FOR OPTICAL APPLICATIONS, INCLUDING DISPLAYS AND SENSORS.

AEROGELS

EXTREMELY LIGHTWEIGHT MATERIALS WITH HIGH POROSITY AND LOW THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY, USEFUL FOR THERMAL INSULATION APPLICATIONS.





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