

# POSSIBILITIES WITH ARCI- HYDERABAD IN MATERIALS SCIENCES

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# INTERNATIONAL ADVANCED RESEARCH CENTRE FOR POWDER METALLURGY AND NEW MATERIALS (ARCI)



- An autonomous R&D institute of Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India
- Employs about 160 people
  - ✓ 65 Scientists
  - ✓ 60 Technical Cadre
  - ✓ 45 Adm. & Supporting Cadre
  - ✓ Students (Around 100 Nos)
  - ✓ Services Outsourced

## ARCI'S MANDATE

- Development of High Performance Materials and Processes for niche market
- Demonstration of Technologies at Prototype/Pilot Plant Scale
- Transfer of Technologies to the Indian industry

# **CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE**

Centre for Nano materials	Centre for Carbon Materials (Carbon Nano-materials)
Centre for Ceramic Processing	Centre for Non-Oxide Ceramics
Centre for Laser Processing	Centre for Engineered Coating
Centre for Sol-Gel Coating	Centre for Solar Materials
Centre for Characterization	

**Centre for Technology Transfer**

**Center for Fuel Cells & Center for Automotive Materials**



# **TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER TO INDUSTRIES**

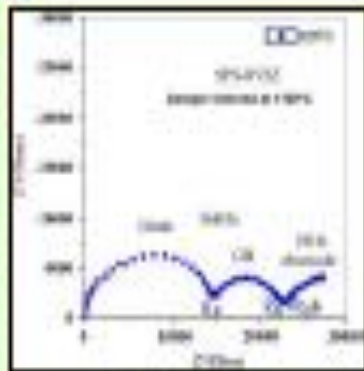
<b>S.No</b>	<b>Technology</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	Electro Spark Coating Technology	Transferred
2	Magnesia Aluminate Spinel	Transferred
3	Ceramic Crucibles for C & S Analysis	Transferred
4	Ceramic Honeycombs for Energy Efficient Air Heaters	Transferred
5	Detonation Spray Coating Technology	Transferred
6	Ceramic Honeycombs based Catalytic Convertors	Ongoing
7	Heat Pipes Heat Sinks	Ongoing
8	Evaporation Boats	Transferred
9	PM Grade Iron Powder	Ongoing
10	Sponge Iron Briquettes	Ongoing
11	Micro Arc Oxidation (MAO) Technology	Transferred
12	ESC Equipment Manufacturing Technology	Ongoing
13	Calcium Aluminate Cement & Insulating Aggregates	Ongoing
14	Ceramic Honeycomb Filters	Ongoing

# TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER TO INDUSTRIES

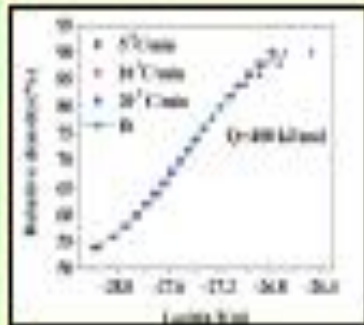
S.No	Technology	Tech. Transfer Status
15	Anti-bacterial Nanosilver Suspensions or Nanosilver Powder for Catheter Applications	Ongoing
16	Development and transfer of technology to manufacture nano-titanium dioxide based textile finishes for self-cleaning applications	Ongoing
17	Development and transfer of technology to manufacture nano-silver based textile finishes for antibacterial applications	Ongoing
18	Nanosilver impregnation of ceramic water filter candles to impart anti-bacterial function	Ongoing
19	<b>EXFOLIATED GRAPHITE &amp; ITS VALUE ADDED PRODUCTS (Reinforced Graphite Sheets and Seals)</b>	Transferred
20	Evaporation Boats for Metallising Industries	Transferred



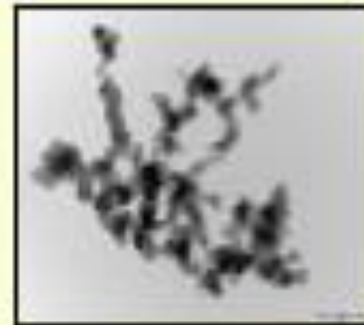
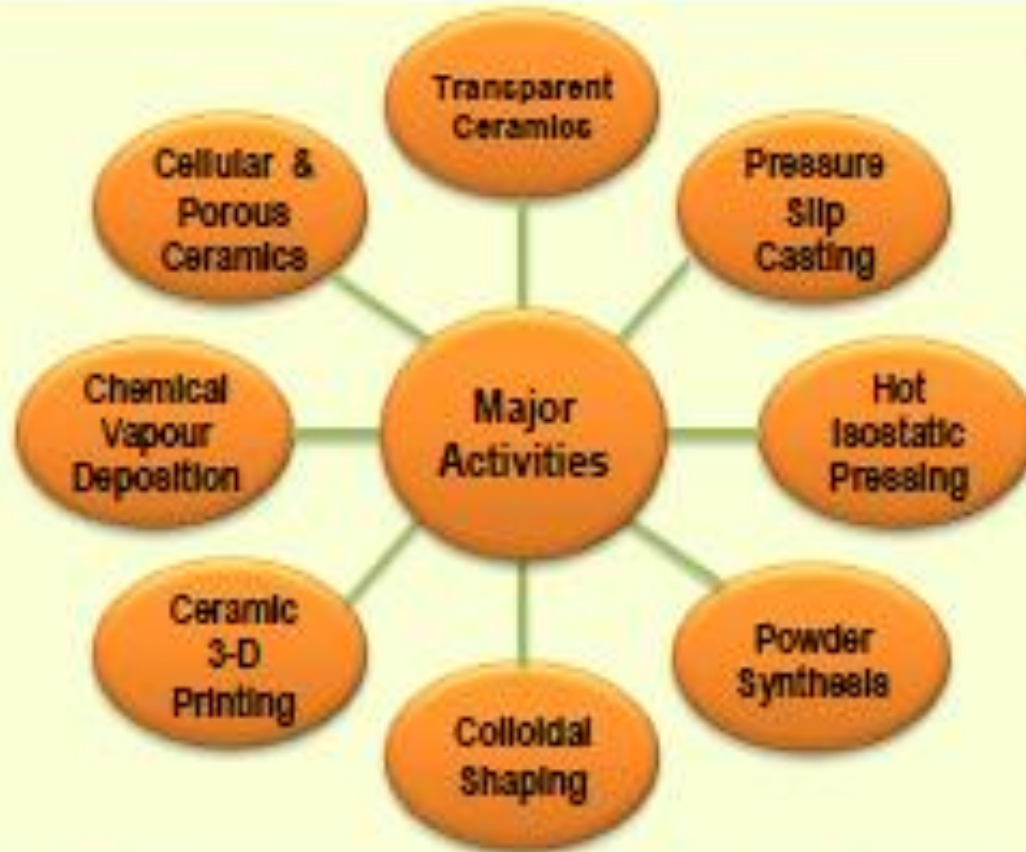
# Center for Ceramic Materials



Nyquist Plot



Master Sintering Curve



Nano structured Spinel Powder



Fractographs of CNT-Alumina Composite

- Developing Innovative Processing Techniques for Technology Oriented Product Development
- Material Synthesis and Fabrication

- Characterization and Testing
- Prototype Development
- Technology Transfer

## MAJOR PROCESSING CAPABILITIES

- Compaction Processing
- Extrusion Processing
- Thermal Gel Casting
- Gel Casting
- Slip Casting
- Pressure Slip Casting
- Spray Drying
- Sol-gel Processing
- Microwave Processing
- Combustion synthesis
- Spray Pyrolysis
- Isostatic Pressing
- Sol-gel/Slurry coatings
- Screen Printing
- Rate Controlled Sintering



Wall Flow Filter



Transparent Ceramloc



Ceramloc Foams



Radiant Porous Burner



Ceramloc Honeycomb



Extruded Products



Alumina Balls



Alumina Spools



CVD Facility



Pressure Slip Casting Machine



Screw Extruder



Hot MOR



Impedance Analyzer



Hot Isostatic Press

## MAJOR FACILITIES

- Hot Isostatic Press
- Chem. Vap Deposition
- HT Vac/Air Furnaces
- High Shear Mixer
- Compaction Presses
- Ram-Screw Extruders
- Ceramography

## CHARACTERIZATION

- Impedance Analyzer
- Hot MOR
- Microwave NDT
- Rheometer
- STA/Dilatometer
- Mercury Porosimeter
- Nano-Zeta sizer
- Powder flow analyzer
- FT IR Spectrometer



# CENTRE FOR NON-OXIDE CERAMICS (CNOC)



Uni-axial hydraulic press



High temperature vacuum sintering furnace



Large size cold isostatic press (CIP)



Vacuum hot-press

- ◆ Developing Innovative Processing Techniques for Technology Oriented Product Development
- ◆ Materials Synthesis and Fabrication, Characterization and Testing
- ◆ Prototype Development, Technology Transfer



## PROCESSING EXPERTISE

- Gelcasting
- Spray-freeze drying
- Pressureless sintering
- Chemical vapour deposited SiC
- Porous ceramics
- Extrusion processing
- Oxidation resistant SiC coating



Machined SiC parts



Light-weight foams



Reticulated foams



Sintered SiC tubes



RTP SiC granules



SiC-S9 brazed joints



Ultrasonic machining system



Hot-pressed SiC parts



Polished surface of CVD SiC



6-axis CNC machine



Freeze granulator



Rheometer



CVD system



Extrusion press

## MAJOR FACILITIES

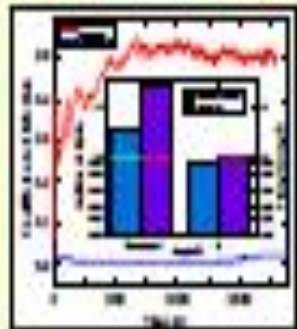
- High-tonnage hydraulic press
- Cold iso-static press
- High-temperature sintering furnace
- CVD system
- Conventional and ultrasonic machining facilities
- Extrusion press

# CENTRE FOR LASER PROCESSING OF MATERIALS (CLPM)

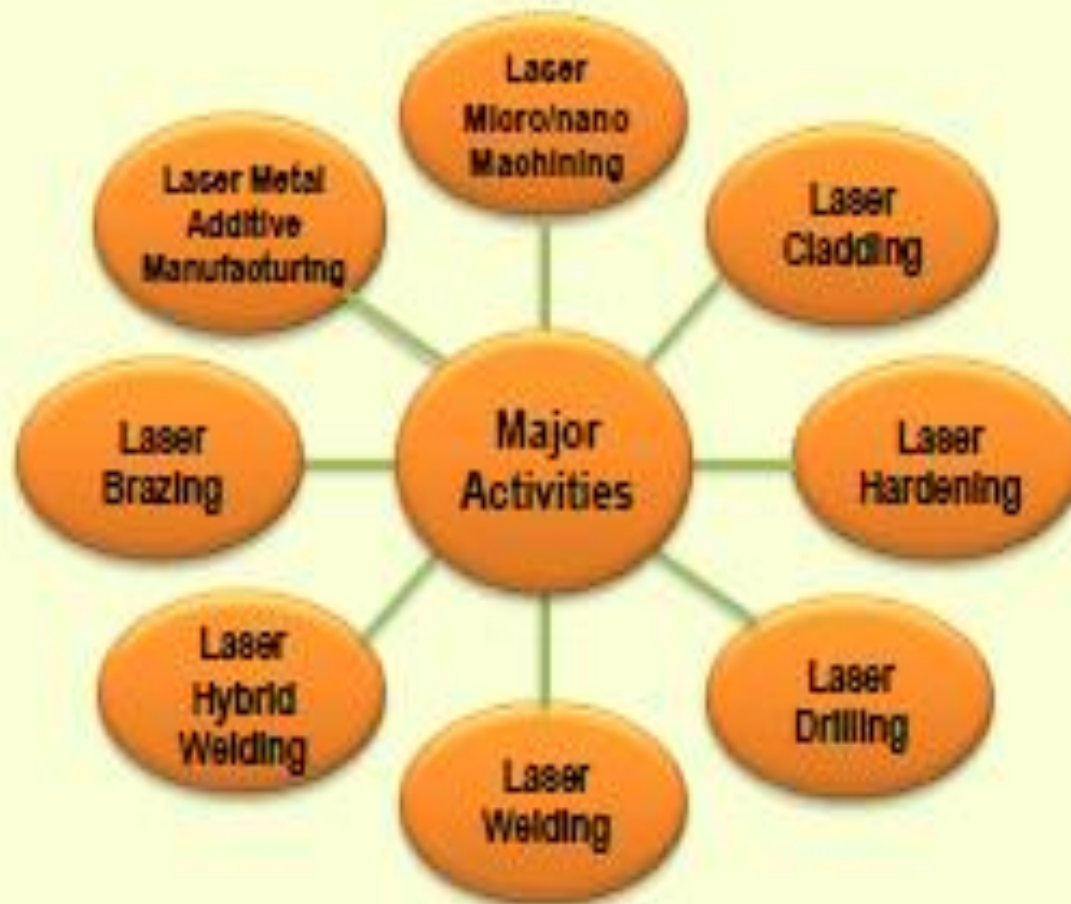
Promoting and providing laser-based materials processing solutions and technologies for industrial applications



Micro-Heater



Friction behavior of laser microtextured cast iron surface



Micropatterning of CNT forest



Microstructure of laser clad Metal-Ceramic coatings



## MAJOR PROCESSING FACILITIES

### ◆ Ultrafast Ti:Sapphire based Laser Micromachining System

- 12W at 10kHz, 100fs-50ps and 100nm
- 5-axis CNC with nm resolutions
- Micro machining, micro texturing, micro-cutting, engraving, ablation

### ◆ Fiber Coupled Diode Laser

- 200 – 6000 W CW/pulsed, 900-980 nm
- 6-axis Robotic System with Turn and Tilt Table
- Hardening, Cladding, Alloying, Re-melting, Conduction Welding, Direct Metal Deposition, Plastic Welding and Brazing



Additive Manufacturing



Pin Hole for Flash X-Ray



Grid for Pulsed Electron Source



Bearing bed Hardening



Crankshaft Hardening



Hardened steam turbine blade



High Pressure Nozzle Guided Vane



Aero-engine Combustion Liner



Die tool repair



Laser Welding of Solenoid Valves



Microwelding



Al-Usteel laser brazed joint



Laser-aided hybrid welding



CMT Welding



Diode Laser brazing system

## MAJOR PROCESSING FACILITIES

### ◆ CO<sub>2</sub> Slab Laser

- 100 – 3500 W (CW), 8 kW peak power (Pulsed)
- 4-axis CNC (1500 mm X 3000 mm)
- Welding, Cutting, Surface Modification and Hybrid Welding

### ◆ Pulsed Nd:YAG Laser

- 400 W (Average) 20 kW (Peak), 1064 nm
- 0.3 – 20 ms Pulse duration with shaping capability, Repetition rate (0.2 – 500 Hz)
- 3-axis CNC (800 mm X 800 mm)
- Precision Drilling, Micro-Welding, Cutting, Surface Texturing



Ti:Sapphire Ultrafast Laser (50 ps-100 fs, 12 W, 10kHz)



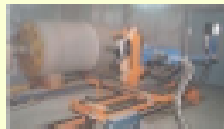
High Power Diode Laser (8 kW Fiber coupled)



# Center for Engineered Coatings

Providing a wide range of surface modification technologies and solutions to private and public sector industries and transferring state-of-the-art technologies to Indian market.

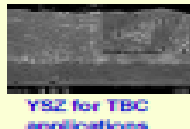
## DETONATION SPRAY



Sea Hammer

- High velocity, moderate temperature
- Metals, ceramics and composites
- Robust and economical

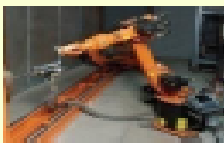
## SOLUTION PRECURSOR PLASMA SPRAY



YSZ for TBC applications

- Nano coatings without nanoparticles
- Metastable and novel composites
- YSZ,  $Al_2O_3$ , LSM,  $LiFePO_4$ , ferrites,  $TiO_2$

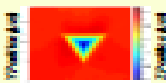
## COLD SPRAY



Sn coating on Al Bus Bars

- High Deposition Rate and Efficiency
- Retention of feedstock properties
- Cu, Ag, Sn, Al, Zn, Ta, Nb, Ti, Ni-Cr, HEA

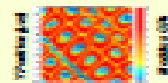
## ADVANCED CHARACTERISATION FACILITIES



Topography



In situ testing



Modulus mapping

- State-of-the-art nanomechanical testing
- Tribological characterisation of coatings (Abrasion, erosion and sliding wear)

## MAJOR FACILITIES

- Detonation Spray
- Solution Precursor Plasma Spray
- Cold Spray
- Micro Arc Oxidation
- Pulsed Electrodeposition
- Electron Beam Physical Vapour Deposition (EBPVD)
- Cathodic Arc Physical Vapour Deposition (CAPVD)
- Advanced Characterisation

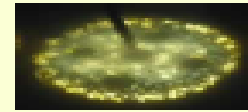
## TECHNOLOGIES TRANSFERRED AND APPLICATIONS DEVELOPED

- Transferred 3 technologies to 17 entrepreneurs
- Successfully developed applications for a wide range of industries including, automotive, aerospace, defence, nuclear, energy, steel, textiles, etc.,
- Significant contributions to the strategic sector
- Healthy mix of basic research and technology / application development

## TECHNOLOGIES AVAILABLE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR TRANSFER

- Advanced Detonation spray (Mark II) with enhance Pulse Frequency
- Portable Cold spray Technology
- Advanced Micro Arc Oxidation technology for Industry and Academia
- Pulsed Electrodeposition will be shortly available for transfer

## MICRO ARC OXIDATION



Coating in Progress



Wire-drawing pulleys

- Eco friendly & economically viable
- Excellent wear and corrosion resistance
- Can coat Al, Ti, Mg, Zn and their alloys

## PULSED ELECTRODEPOSITION



Nano Ni coating for Helicopter Hinge Pin

- Environment friendly plating bath
- Control over composition and properties
- Ni, Zn, Ni-W, Fe-W, Ni-P, Ni-W-SiC

## EBPVD



Aero Engine components

- High yield and wide range of thickness
- Can coat thin foils & heavy blanks
- TBC and oxidation resistant coatings

## CAPVD



Solar thermal



Cutting tools

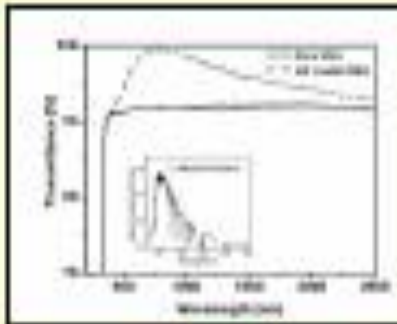
- Mono/multigradient coatings / thin films
- High adhesion, low temperature & clean
- TiN, CrN, TiAlN, TiCrN, MoDLC, no-TiAlN

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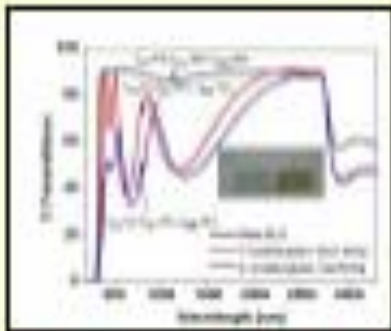
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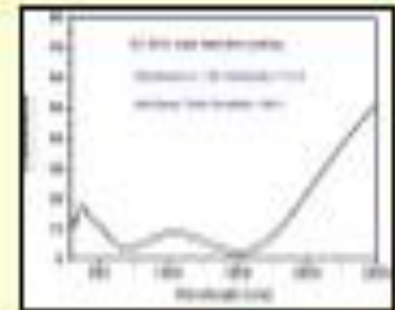
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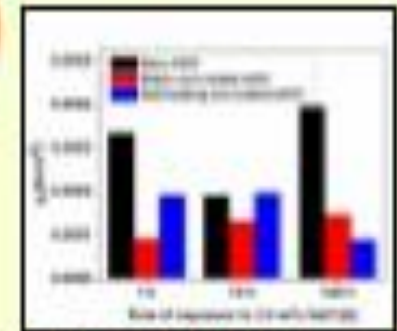
Transmittance spectrum of single layered antireflective coating on BSQ



Transmittance spectra of fully dielectric solar control coating



UV-Vis-NIR reflectance spectrum of solar selective coatings on SS



Comparison of corrosion currents for bare and coated AZ91 substrates

- Developing Innovative Sol Compositions for Technology Oriented Product Development
- Sol Synthesis, Coating, Characterization and Testing
- Prototype Development
- Technology Transfer

## PROCESS FACILITIES

- 10 l, 20 l and 100 l reactors

## CLEANING AND PRETREATMENT OF SUBSTRATES

- Ultrasonic cleaning
- Flat glass cleaner
- Plasma treatment

## COATING DEPOSITION

- Automated spray coating facilities (1 m x 1 m size)
- Dip coaters
- Spin coaters
- Screen printer
- Pad printer



Abrasion Resistant Coatings



Flame Retardant Coating



Hard Coatings on Plastics



Coloured coatings on glass



Bare & AR Coated Glass



Anti-corrosion Coatings



Scratch resistant coating



Solar selective coating



Easy-to-clean coating



Plasma treatment



Dip Coater



Flat spray unit



Batch furnace



Pilot Plant



Taber abraser

## CURING & DENSIFICATION

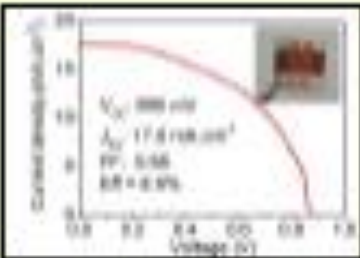
- UV, IR and LED curing
- Batch, belt furnaces
- Drying ovens

## CHARACTERIZATION & TESTING

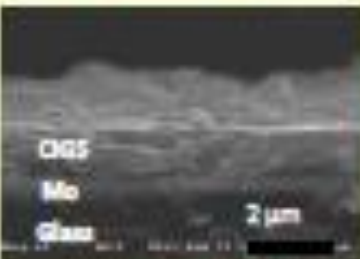
- Contact angle measurement
- Weathering resistance
- Haze meter
- Spectroscopic Ellipsometer
- Taber abraser
- Electrochemical workstation
- Viscometer
- Thickness gauge



# CENTRE FOR SOLAR ENERGY MATERIALS (CSEM)



IV curve of PSC



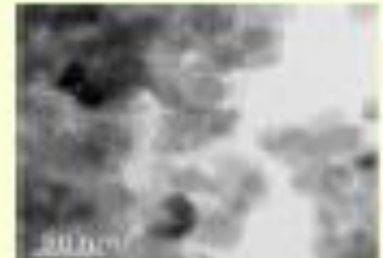
Ultrathin deposited CIGS



Electrodeposited CIGS



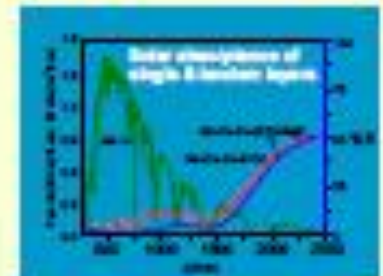
- Design and development of novel solar energy materials
- Film deposition and Device Fabrication
- Performance Assessment through Characterization and Testing
- Scale-up and Prototype Development
- Technology Transfer



Mesoporous MgO Nanoparticles



Mn-Cu-Co-ZrOx nanocomposites

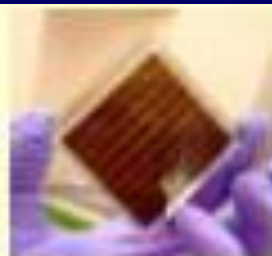


## MAJOR PROCESSING CAPABILITIES

- Nanoparticles & nanocomposites
- Thin film deposition
- Thick film coating
- Thermal evaporation
- Dip coating
- Chemical Bath Deposition
- Chemical Oxidation
- Electrodeposition
- Spray coating
- Chemical oxidation
- Sol-gel/Sturry coatings
- Screen Printing
- Solar Cell Encapsulation
- Laser scriber
- Long-term stability test



DSSC module



Prototype PSC



CIGS film on Flexi glass



Dust repellent coating on PV panel



Solar absorber tubes



Anti-reflective coating on PV & CSP glasses

## MAJOR FACILITIES

- CIGS Pilot Line
- Evaporator-RTP
- Thermal Evaporator
- Glove Box
- Box & Tubular Furnaces
- Vacuum furnace & oven
- Pulse Power Supply
- Environmental Chamber

## CHARACTERIZATION

- > Solar Cell Tester
- > Quantum Efficiency Unit
- > X-ray Fluorescence
- > UV-Vis-NIR spectrometer
- > FTIR for thermal emittance
- > Four probe
- > Stylus Profilometer
- > Contact angle & Tensiometer
- > Electrochemical work station



Screen Printer



Evaporator-RTP



Ink-jet Printer



CIGS Pilot Line



UV-Vis-NIR spectrometer



FTIR with Thermal Emittance Accessories



Quantum Efficiency



Solar Simulator



Thermal Evaporator



Environmental chamber



## FACILITIES

### PROCESSING



Flame spray pyrolysis



RF Inductio in Plasma Unit



High Energy Ball Mill



Vacuum Hydrogen Furnace

(2000°C; Gas Quenching)



Inert gas atomizer



Spark Plasma Sintering System



NanoSpider for nanofibers



Spray Pyrolysis deposition



Hot Press (1050°C; under Hydrogen)

## RECENT PRODUCTS



Antibacterial and self-cleaning bottles



Aerogel sheet for thermal insulation



Lubricant WS2 sheets



Li ion battery electrode material



CoS steel turbine blade



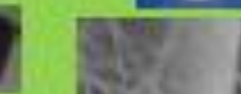
Nano Al Propellant additive



Nano ZnO based electrical varistor



Cutting tool insert



Clutch-cockle



Nano fiber based air filter



**CENTRE FOR FUEL CELL TECHNOLOGY (CFCT)**

Proven capability to build Fuel cell System (Fuel cell stack, Inverter, Controls) of capacity up to 20 kW modules for any grid independent power requirement.



Use of Carbon nanomaterials for safe  $H_2$  storage applications

## FACILITIES

Development of rechargeable Metal-air secondary battery



XRD



TGA with MS



DMA



Porometry



Sieverts Apparatus



Surface area analyzer



FC Assembly



SEM



Electrochemical Test Station



Glove Box



Micro GC for field trips



Hydraulic press



Screen printer



Fuel cell test station



Environmental chamber

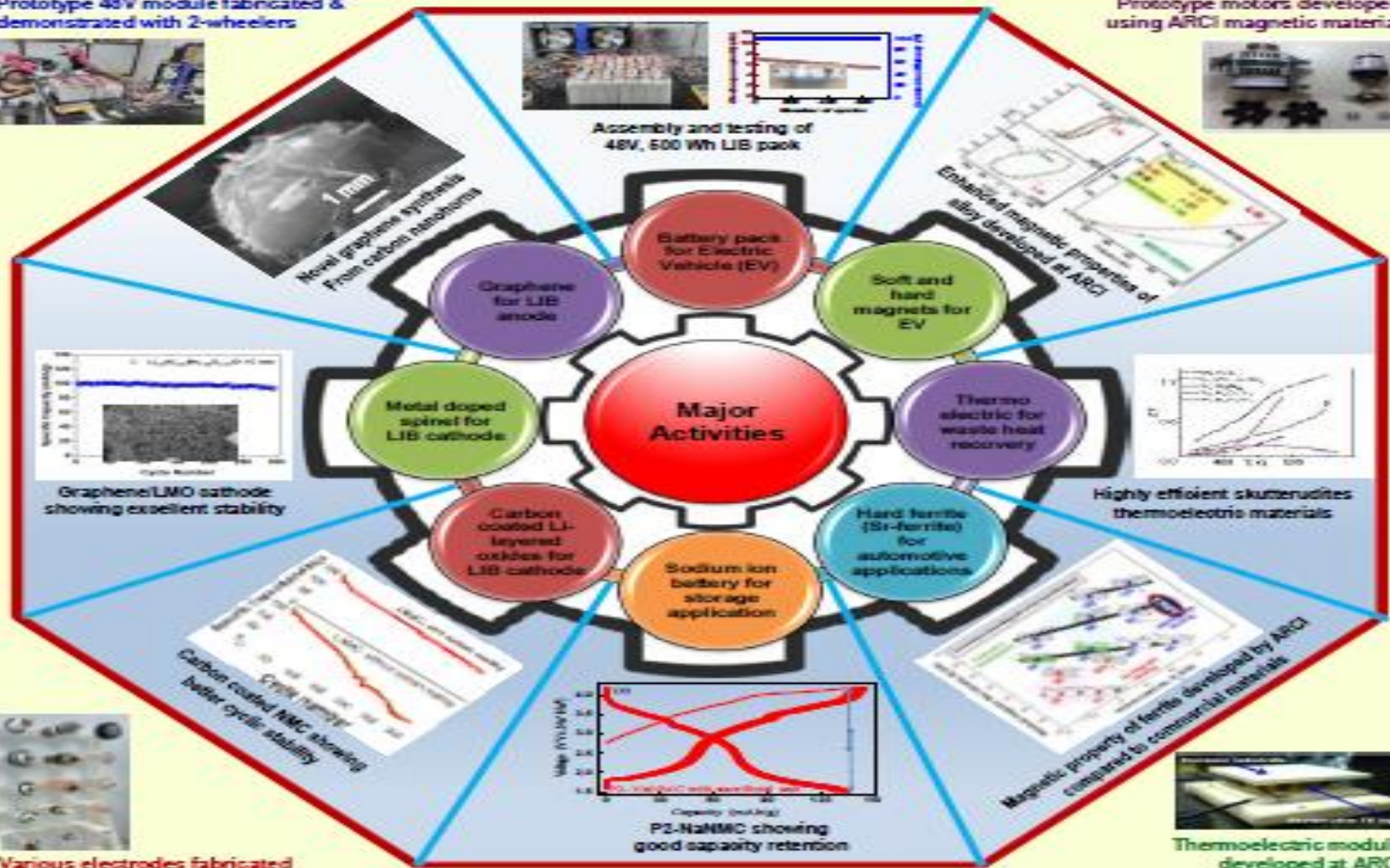


# Center for Automotive Materials

Prototype 48V module fabricated & demonstrated with 2-wheelers



Prototype motors developed using ARCI magnetic material



Various electrodes fabricated



LIB pilot-plant facility



LIB pack testing facility



Magnetics Lab



Thermoelectric lab

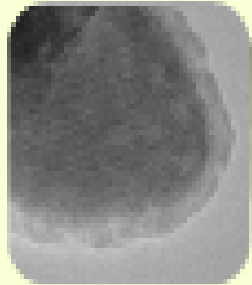
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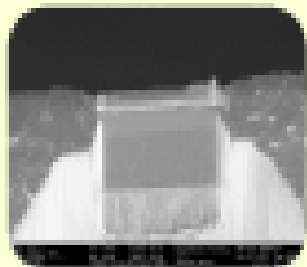




# CENTRE FOR MATERIALS CHARACTERIZATION AND TESTING (CMCT)



Amorphous C on LiFeP



Multi-layer X-section

## Structural

- Residual stress
- X-ray diffraction
- Micro-XRD

## Microstructural

- TEM, SAXS
- Dual Beam FIB-SEM
- FE-SEM / EBSD / EDX, SEM

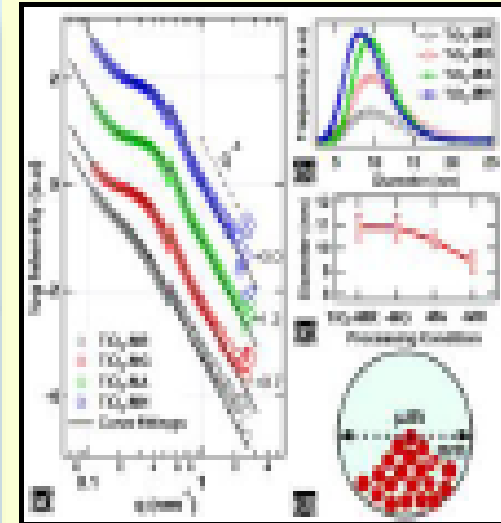
## Characterization

## Mechanical

- Nano-triobiology (Scratch, Impact and Indentation)
- Creep and UTM (RT & HT)
- Macro/Micro Hardness

## Electrochemical

- Impedance testing and Electrochemical analysis
- Cyclic corrosion



SAXS profiles of nano-TiO<sub>2</sub>

## OBJECTIVES OF THE CENTRE

- Offer a range of solutions for internal characterization needs
- Conduct basic research to support ARCI's technology development programmes
- Carry out multi-scale, multi property characterization for R&D laboratories, industries and academic institutions in project mode

## CORE STRENGTHS

- Competent team to perform Structure-Property correlations
- State of art characterization tools to probe different types of materials such as metals, alloys and ceramics, covering all length scales (bulk, coatings and nanomaterials)
- Advanced Micromechanical testing facilities
- Comprehensive electrochemical characterization for testing materials for battery, solar cell, and other applications

## Characterization facilities

### Microscopy

Transmission electron microscope  
Field Emission SEM with EBSD  
Dual beam FIB-SEM  
Conventional SEM with EDS  
Optical microscopy

### X-ray

Small angle X-ray scattering  
X-ray diffraction  
Micro-diffraction  
Residual stress

### Mechanical testing

Nano-tribology  
Creep testing  
Tensile and compression testing  
Indentation testing (nano/micro)

### Electrochemistry

Electrochemical analysis  
Cyclic corrosion testing facility

### Sample preparation

Metallography  
Vibratory polishing  
Multi-prep  
Argon ion polishing (PIPS)  
Twin-jet electropolishing  
Dimple and disc grinders  
Ultrasonic and mechanical disc punches  
for TEM specimens

## Major facilities



TEM



SAXS



UTM



Residual stress



Dual beam



Nanomechanical testing  
system



Micro-XRD



Electrochemical

Electrochemical  
workstation

Cyclic corrosion  
chamber

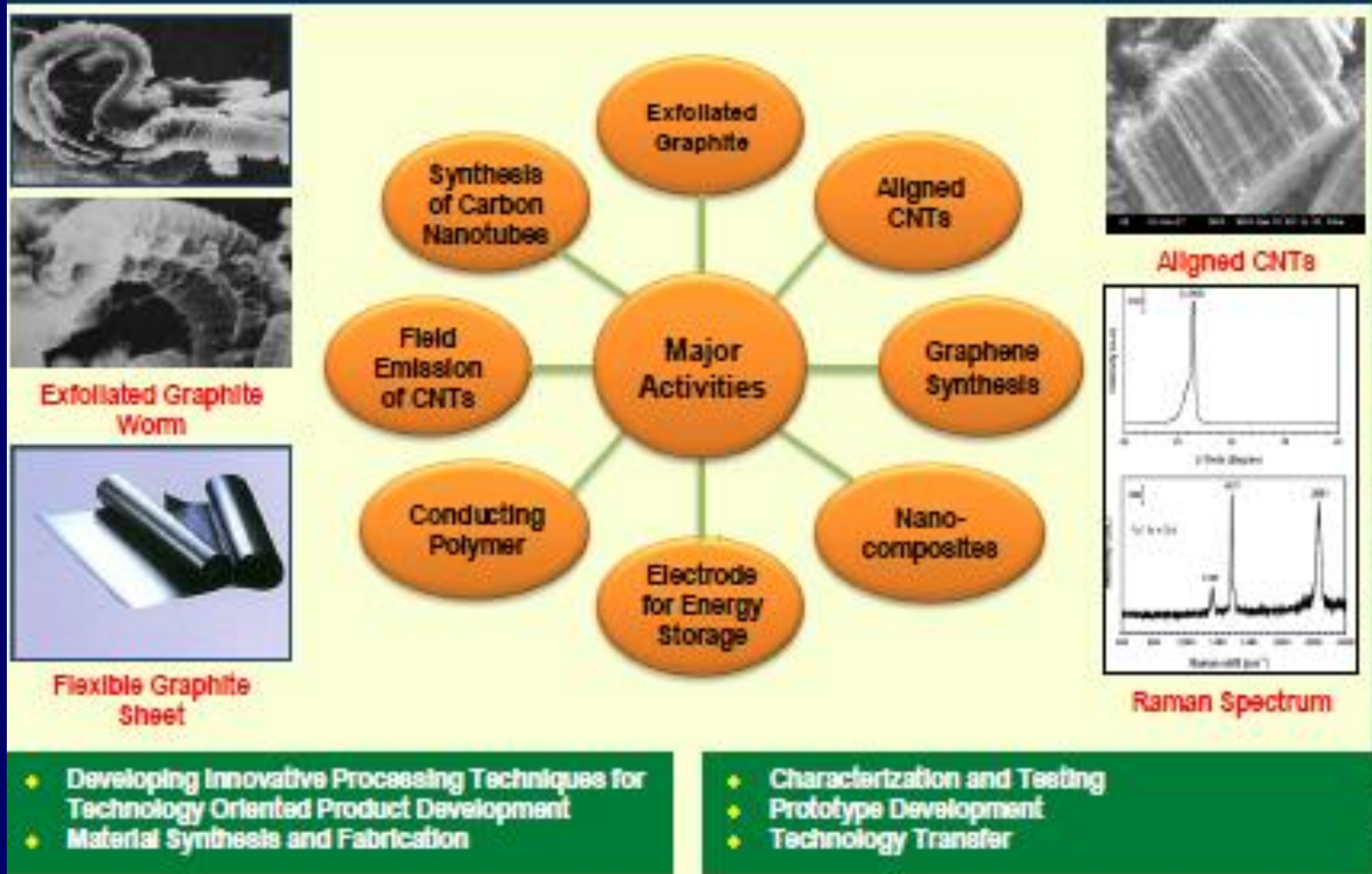


### Optical microscopy & metallography



Optical microscope & micro hardness tester

# Center for Carbon Materials



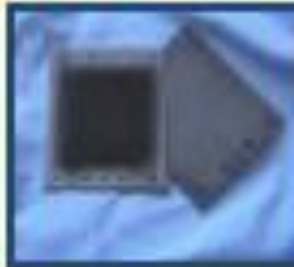


## MAJOR PROCESSING CAPABILITIES

- Exfoliation of Graphite
- Flexible Graphite Sheets
- Graphite Seals
- Graphite Gaskets
- Bipolar Plates for Fuel Cell
- Graphite Boards
- Oil Adsorption
- Synthesis of carbon nanotubes
- Synthesis of Graphene
- Field Emitter (Aligned CNTs)
- Nano-electrodes for Supercapacitor
- CNTs based Nano-composites
- Conducting Polymers (CNTs)
- Nanofluids (CNTs)
- CNTs based Sensor



## Exfoliated Graphite Products



## MAJOR FACILITIES

- Exfoliation of Graphite
- Pressing and Rolling
- Arc Discharge Set up
- Chemical Vapor Deposition
- Fluidised Bed Reactor
- Arc-under water
- Sputtering Unit
- Planetary Mill

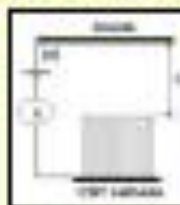
## CHARACTERIZATION

- Thermal Diffusivity (Cond.) Analyser (LFA)
- Simultaneous Thermal Analyser (STA)
- Thermo Mechanical Analyser (TMA)
- Zeta Sizer
- Rheometer
- UV Spectrometer



Arc discharge Set up

Aligned Patterned CNT & Field Emission



GNP



CVD Set up



LFA

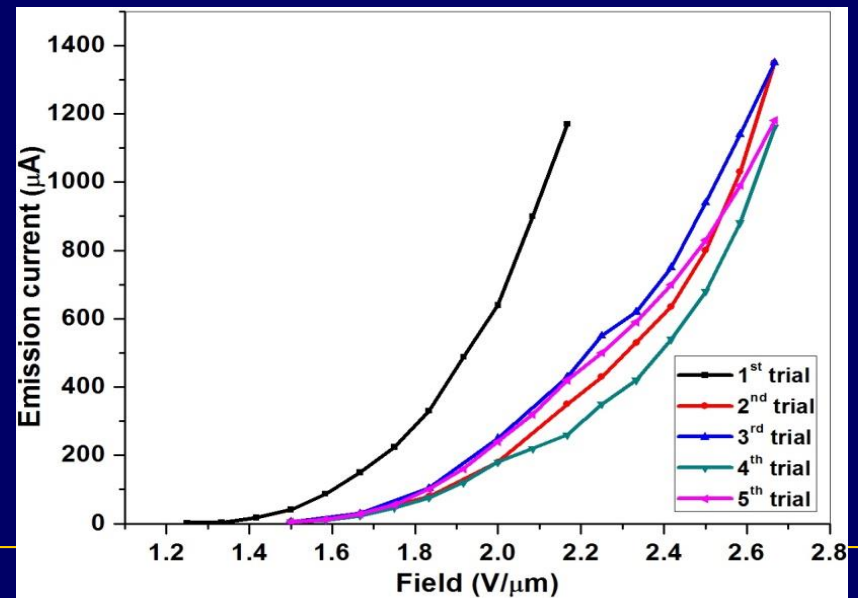
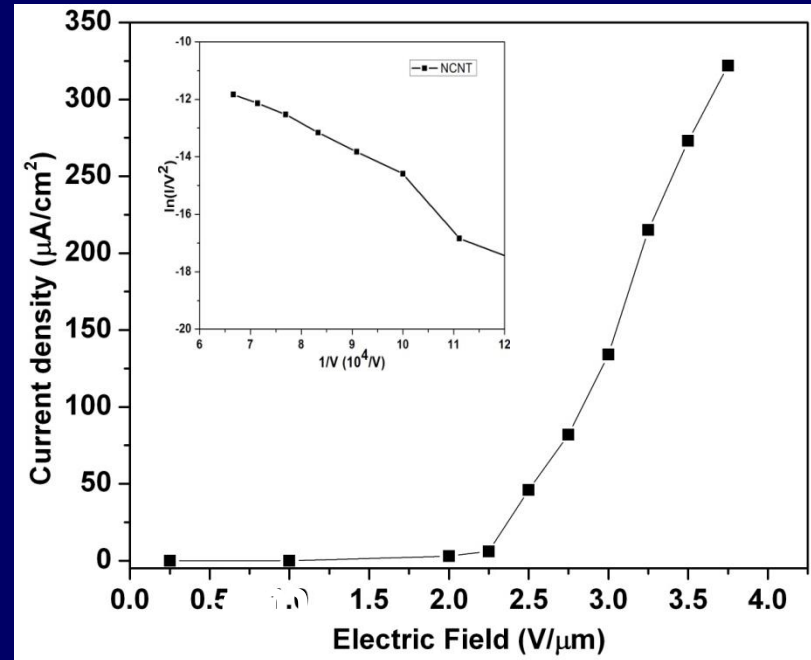
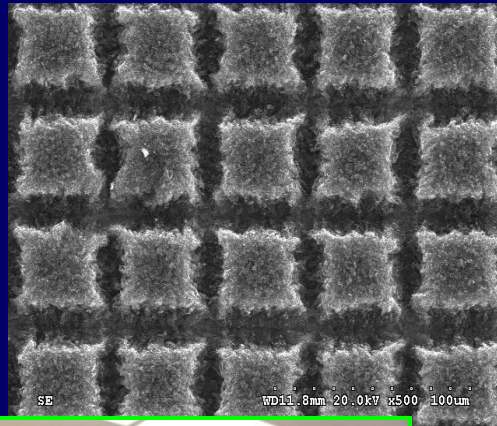
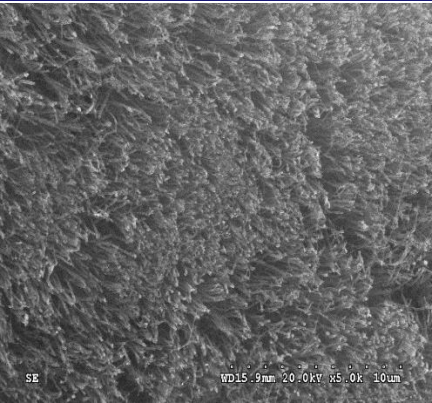
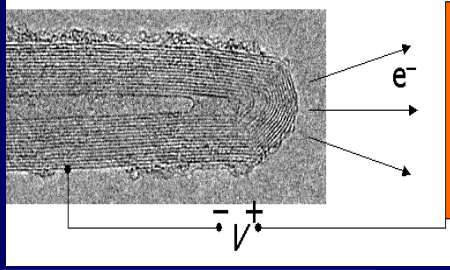


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Sputtering Unit

# Field Emission Properties of CNT islands



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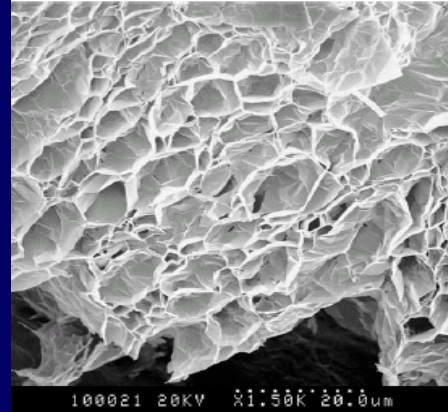
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# OILS ADSORPTION STUDIES

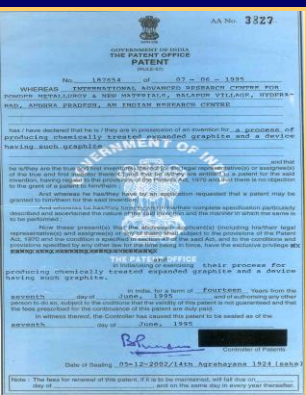
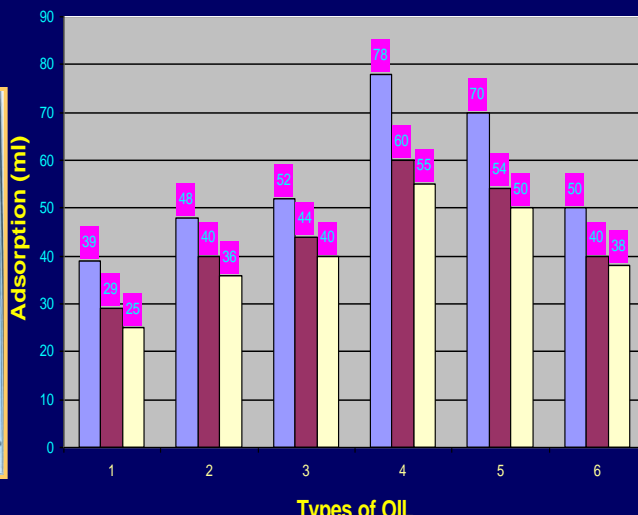
OILS	DENSITY (gms/cc)	VISCOSITY (C.P)
Diesel oil	0.8343	3.99
Hydraulic oil	0.8708	15.49
Transformer Oil	0.8376	19.68
Shell SAE-90	0.8812	158.64
Engine Oil	0.8794	206.99
Shell SAE 140	0.8928	517.67



**OIL & WATER**

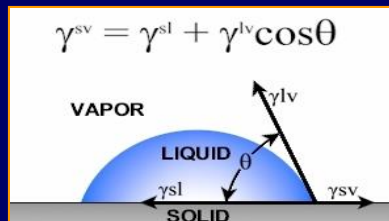
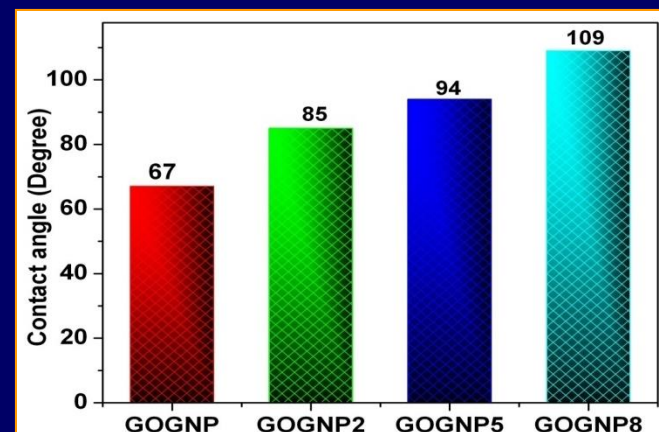
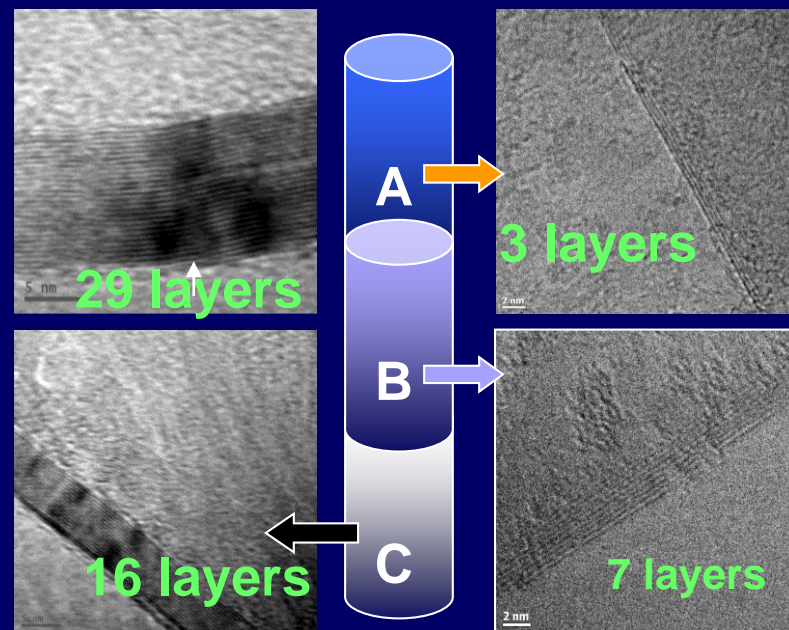
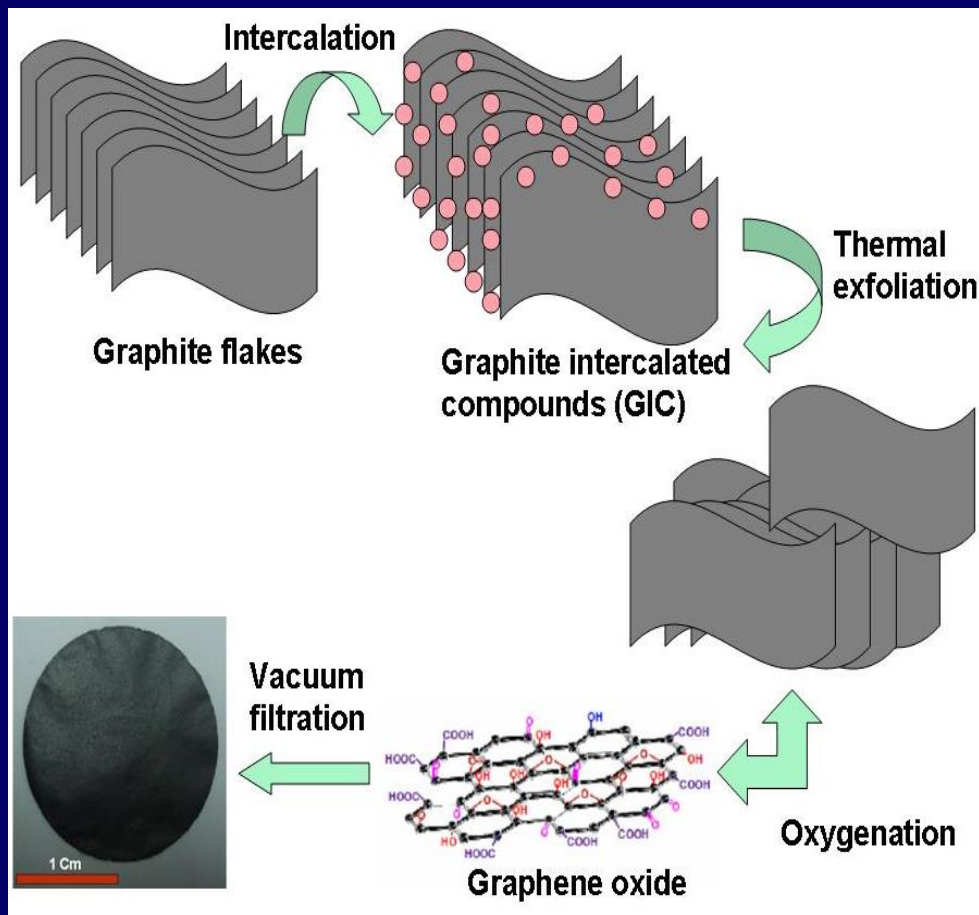


**OIL SOAKED**



**Oil adsorption behavior of Exfoliated Graphite powder shows that viscosity of oil plays an important role in adsorption (1 gram of Ex. Gr can adsorbs ~78 ml of Oil)**

# Flexible and free-standing Graphene paper





# OPPORTUNITIES IN ARCI. HYDERABAD

**Centre for Nano materials**

**Centre for Carbon Materials  
(Carbon Nano-materials)**

**Centre for Ceramic  
Processing**

**Centre for Non-Oxide  
Ceramics**

**Centre for Laser  
Processing**

**Centre for Engineered  
Coating**

**Centre for Sol-Gel Coating**

**Centre for Solar Materials**

**Center for Fuel Cells**

**Center for Automotive  
Materials**



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