

# Investigation of the rheological properties of amorphous, filled and semi-crystalline elastomers

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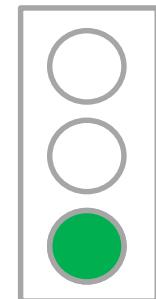
## **topic:**

- Characterisation of the rheological properties of filled elastomers.
- Investigation of the filler-polymer interaction
- Comparison with rheological properties of semi-crystalline elastomers



## **Ziele:**

Comparison of the properties of amorphous and semi-crystalline elastomers  
Detect influence of crystalline areas on measurability



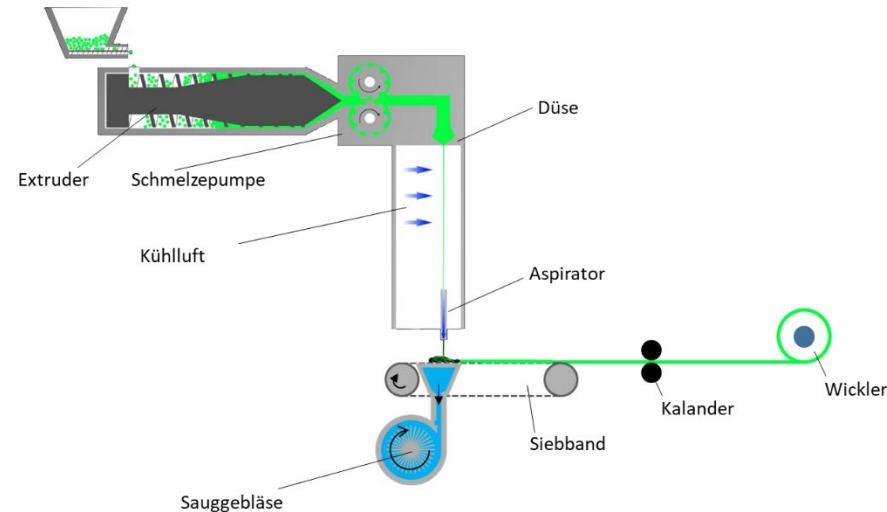
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topic:

- Investigation of PP web samples from two fibre spinning plants
- Comparison of the mech. properties with the same choice of parameters
- Investigation of the crystallinity



aim:

Comparison of fibre spinning plants  
Optimisation of the process parameters

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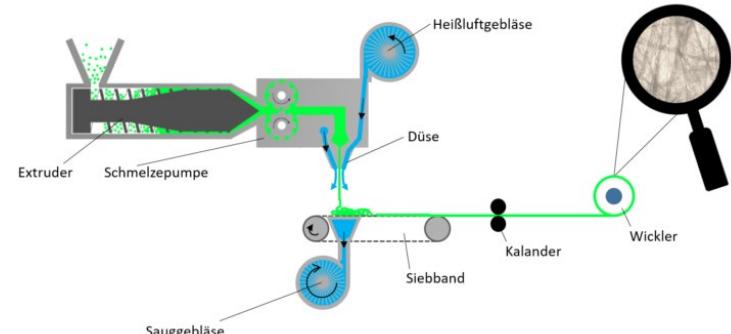
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# Charakterisierung von Meltblown-Vliesstoffen aus Polylactid

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## topic:

- Investigation of two different polylactides
- Characterisation of nonwoven properties
  - Optical
  - Thermal
- Evaluation of optical measurement methods to determine the fibre diameter
- Optional: Comparison of uncalendered and calendered nonwovens



## aim:

- Influence of different process parameters on nonwoven properties
- Better understanding in the optical determination of fibre diameter

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# Fabrication and characterization of TPU/AgNWs flexible strain sensors

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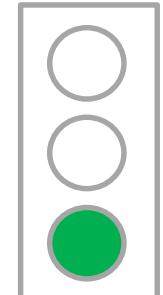
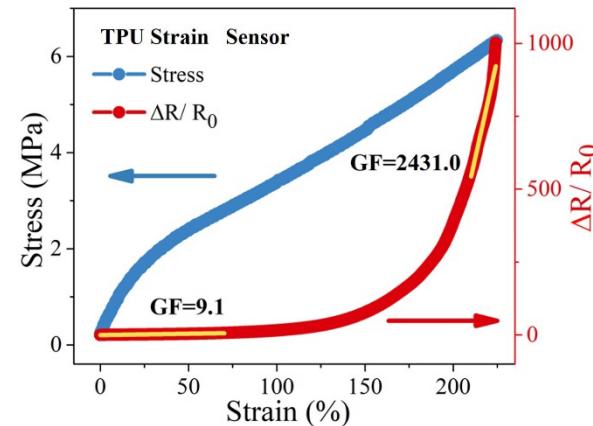
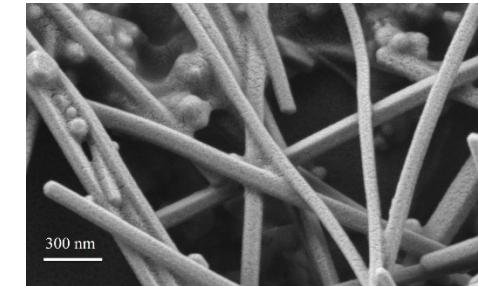
## **main topics:**

- Laboratory preparation of high sensitive TPU/AgNWs flexible strain sensor.
- Testing and research of mechanical properties, electrical conductivity, and strain response properties of TPU/AgNWs sensor

## **aim:**

- Effect of temperature on laboratory preparation of Ag/NWs
- Based on the experimental results, fitting and explaining the strain response ability of sensor

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# Dispergierbarkeit von Nanopartikeln mit unterschiedlicher Oberflächenfunktionalisierung

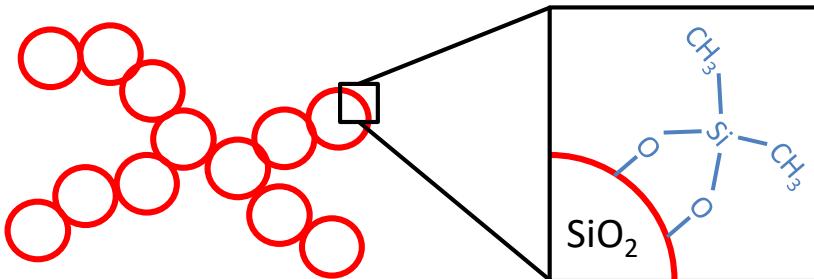
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## topic:

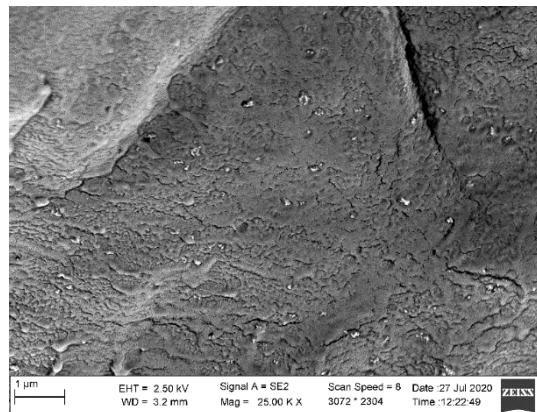
- Production of nanocompounds by means of internal mixers
- Analysis of the dispersion by means of light and electron microscopy
- Automated evaluation of the dispersion by means of image processing software

## aim:

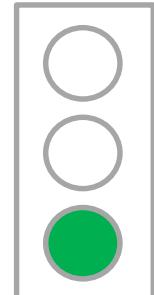
Analysis of particle size distribution with time and other process parameters  
Determination of the functionalisation for the best possible dispersion



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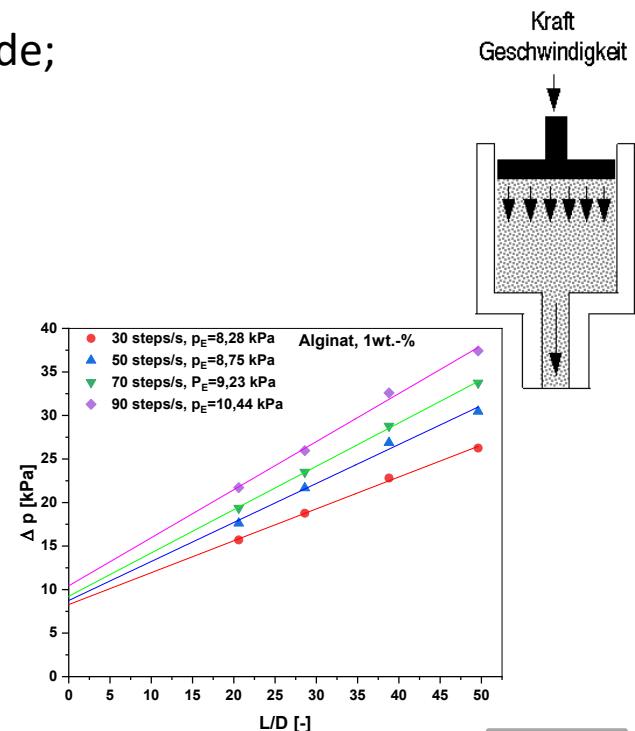


# Charakterisierung der dehnrrheologischen Eigenschaften von Hydrogelen für die Biofabrikation

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## topic:

- Comparison of the determined shear rheological material properties from capillary and shear rheometer
- Determination of the inlet pressure loss as a function of the needle geometry used
- Calculation of the extensional rheological material properties



## aim:

Determination of the extensional rheological properties of biomaterials for improved correlation of material properties and relevant process variables of biofabrication (pressure result, cell proliferation...)

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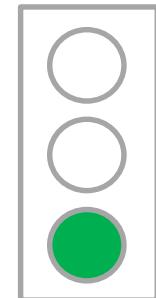
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## Aims:

- To fabricate of biopolymer based hydrogels by coupling solution casting method and electrospinning process.
- To set up a structure property relationship of used biomaterials.
- The characterization includes the following techniques;
- Degree of Swelling, Biodegradability, Cytotoxicity with additional techniques like Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR), Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA), Differential scanning calorimetric analysis (DSC), Scanning electron microscopy (SEM).

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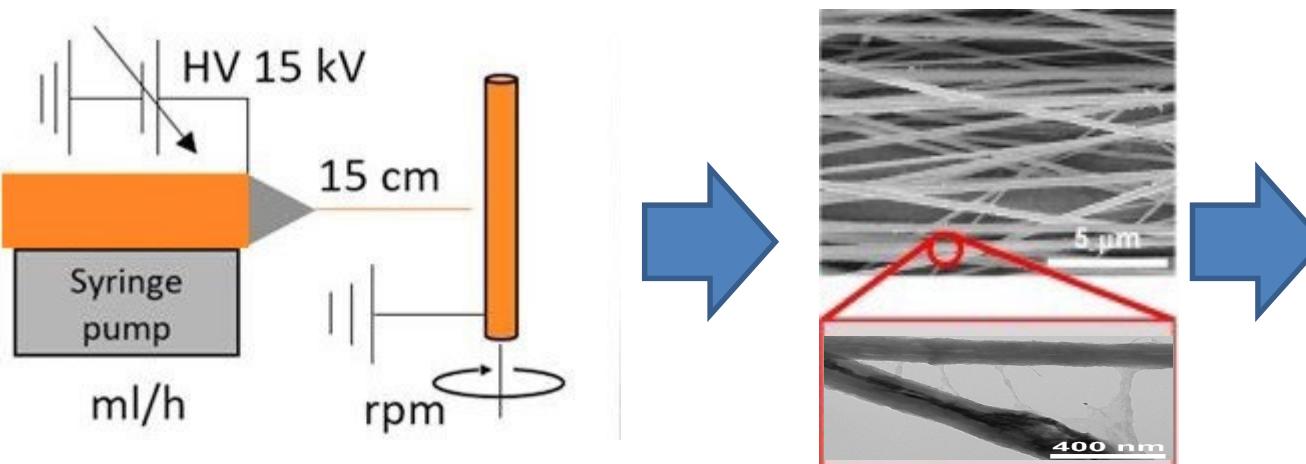


# Mechanical performances of electrospun nanofibers of biopolymers

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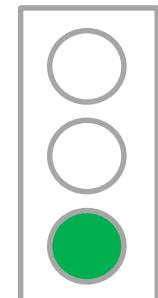
## Aim:

- Fabrication of electrospun nanofibers of different biodegradable polymers for biomedical applications



## Characterizations:

- Tensile testing
- SEM/TEM analysis
- DSC analysis



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