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DIPARTIMENTO DI CHIMICA, MATERIALI E INGEGNERIA CHIMICA GIULIO NATTA



Unit objectives

POLIMI research unit is responsible of WP5 and WP6 and participates to all WPs with particular relevance to WP4, WP5 and WP6.

In details:

- POLIMI will partecipate to WP4 aimed at the development of a non invasive multimodal approach to study the chemical composition of reference intact and aged plastic materials.
- POLIMI will coordinate WP5 through the study and optimization of conventional and innovative mechanical tests on reference intact and aged plastic materials.
- POLIMI will coordinate WP6 through the organization and coordination of 4 pilot case studies, where the developed NI multimodal approach will be tested to assess the material composition and mechanical/morphological properties of CH plastics and the real time monitoring of selected conservative interventions



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Facilities



 ✓ Time-resolved photoluminescence imaging and spectroscopy

 ✓ Hyperspectral imaging at different spatial scales (from large field of view to macro- and micro-imaging)

✓ Micro-scratch tester

Analytical imaging and spectroscopy tools to

- ✓ assess the degradation status of plastic objects
- ✓ monitor the effectiveness of conservation treatments
- ✓ correlate surface chemical and mechanical properties with degradation

Fluorescence spectroscopy and fluorescence lifetime imaging and spectroscopy will allow us to inspect photooxidative degradation at the surface of plastic reference materials and plastic objects

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Fluorescence lifetime maps of the surface of the ABS Grillo phone









Fluorescence excitation emission matrix, collected on analysis points of PVAc Cocoon lamps, demonstarte different degradation conditions



Hyperspectral imaging at different spatial scales will allow us to inspect the correlation between chemical and mechanical changes at the surface of plastic reference materials and objects



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Microscratch testing can probe the surface mechanical properties of plastic reference materials and objects to assess their condition and monitor degradation phenomena

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Sample

Set parameters

F_n

- \checkmark F_{n} : Normal load
- ✓ V : Sliding tip velocity



Microscratch testing can probe the surface mechanical properties of plastic reference materials and objects to assess their condition and monitor degradation phenomena

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Measured quantities

- \checkmark F_t : tangential force
- ✓ h_{max} : penetration depth
- \checkmark *h*_r: residual depth
- \checkmark acoustic emission

Publications

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Previous Projects

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- 2015-2017 La durabilità delle superfici per piste di atletica, funded by MONDO SpA
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