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Outline

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- CONCLUSION



Principal of DEAP material





PDMS versus PEG





- Low surface energy
- Low conductivity
- Wide temperature range
- High stability
- Low modulus
- Low permittivity



- Hydrophilic
- High surface energy
- Low toxicity
- High mobility in solution
- High permittivity
- High Conductivity



Morphology in block copolymer (AB) 1, 2



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Phases in polymer blend



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Sequence(s) of project

1st step - synthesize PDMS-PEG prepolymer

2nd step - Blending PDMS-PEG block copolymer with commercial PDMS elastomer

3rd step - crosslinking with methylhydrosiloxane-dimethylsiloxane copolymer (HMS-501)

Experimental setup

PDMS Hydride- terminated	Reactant	Average number of molecular weight M_n [g/mol]	No. of repeating units -reactant- (<i>N</i>)	No. of repeating units -block copolymer- (X)	Stoichiometry ratio <i>(r)</i>	Volume fraction of PDMS (f _A)
H21	PEG-DE	250,00	4	6	1,21	0,94
	PDMS Hydride- terminated	6000,00	81	5		
H11	PEG-DE	250,00	4	24	1,04	0,75
	PDMS Hydride- terminated	1050,00	14	23		
H03	PEG-DE	250,00	4	38	1,03	0,62
	PDMS Hydride- terminated	550,00	7	37		
SIH	PEG-DE	250,00	4	57	1,02	0,45
	PDMS Hydride- terminated	208,00	3	56		



Characterization

- 1. Chemical reaction
 - NMR (Si-H ~ 4.70ppm)
- 2. Mechanical properties
 - LVE properties.
 - Parallel plate (25 mm)
- 3. Electrical properties
 - Dielectric properties
 - 20 mm electrode
- 4. Contact angle
 - Sessile method
 - Static contact angle

1. Bruker 300 MHz NMR



4. Dataphysics OCA20



2. Rheometer (ARES-G2)



3. Novocontrol GmbH





Result: Block copolymer (H21, H11, H03, SIH)



Contact angle for all block copolymer









Comparison of Conductivity among H21, H11, H03 and SIH





Comparison of modulus among H21, H11, H03 and SIH





Result: Binary polymer blend of PDMS-PEG block copolymer and commercial PDMS elastomer



Comparison of permittivity for PDMS-PEG (H03) with commercial PDMS elastomer





Comparison of conductivity for PDMS-PEG (H03) with commercial PDMS elastomer





Comparison of modulus for PDMS-PEG (H03) with commercial PDMS elastomer

Overlay 2

106 → Commercial PDMS elastomer -5wt% PDMS-PEG H03 + PDMS elastomer → 10wt% PDMS-PEG H03 + PDMS elastomer -20wt% PDMS-PEG H03 + PDMS elastomer G" (Pa) 105 104 (Pa) č5 10³ -10-2 10⁻¹ 10⁰ 10¹ 10² 10³

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Conclusion

- PDMS-PEG is a conductive block copolymer (10⁻⁸ S/cm) with amphiphilic behaviour.
- Incorporating PDMS-PEG (H03) with commercial PDMS elastomer:
 - Improve storage permittivity up to 60% with low loss permittivity.
 - Maintain LVE properties compared to the commercial.
 - Has amphiphilic behaviour (contrast with PDMS elastomer).



Thank you



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