

# **Application of Nanomaterials for Thermal Dissipation**

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## Outline

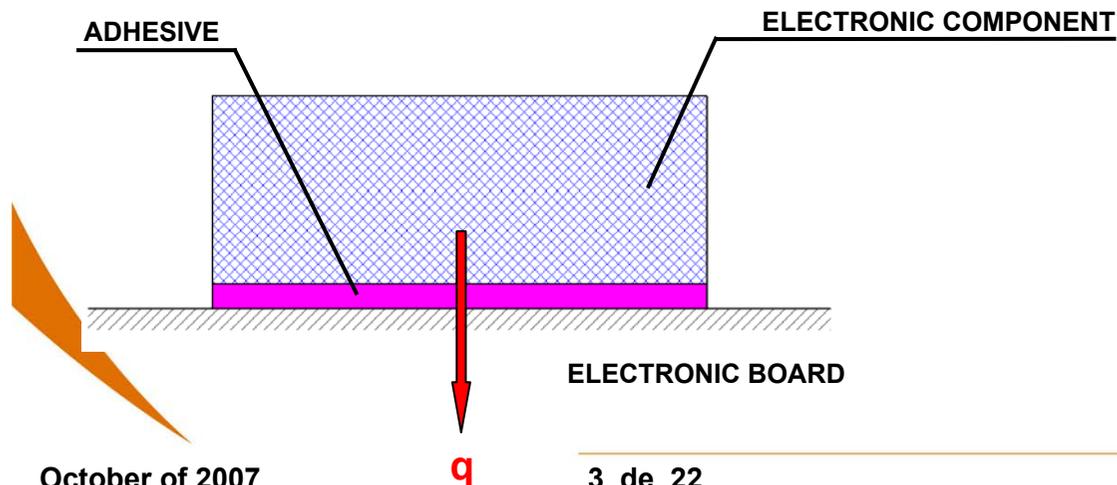
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- Conclusions

## Introduction

- High temperatures in electronic components
- Heat evacuated through conduction towards radiator(s)
- Good conductivity needed all the way. Adhesive's conductivity is critical

The aim of the THERDISS project (supported by ESA) is to conduct **research in nanocomposites** to be used **to dope adhesives for space conditions**. Thus, it is expected that the finally selected nanocomposite can **multiply at least by a factor of 3 the thermal conductivity of a standard epoxy solution**.

## Objective



$$K_{\text{adhesive}} = 0,21 \frac{W}{mK}$$

NANOMATERIALS

$$K_{\text{objective}} = 6 \div 10 \frac{W}{mK}$$

## Methodology

- MODELLING

How much nanomaterial is needed to reach  $K_{\text{objective}}$

- EXPERIMENTAL

Real mix of nanomaterials and adhesive. Measurements.



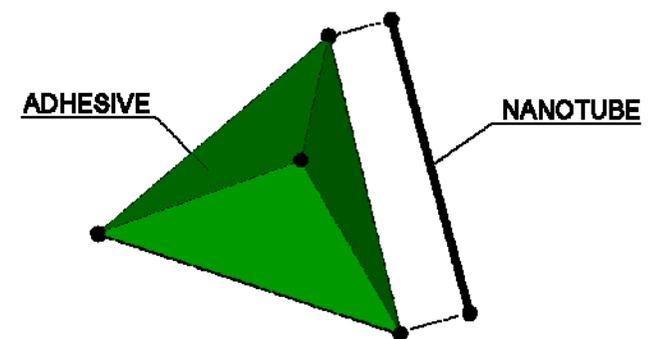
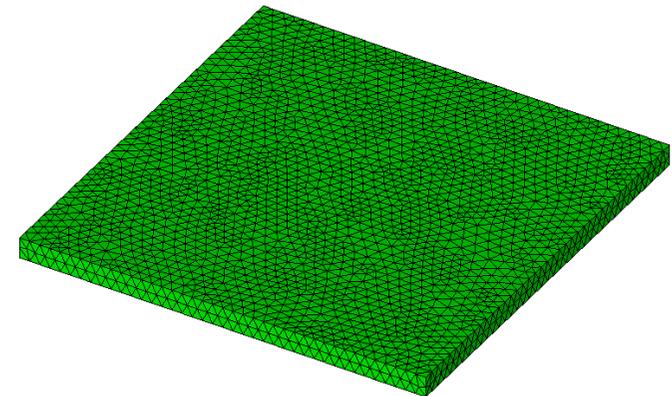
✓ Commercial **non conductive** Hysol EA epoxy adhesive.  $K=0,2\text{W/mk}$

• Commercial **conductive** epoxy adhesive.  $K=2\text{W/mk}$

## Modelling. Finite Element Methods

1. Mesh the model with commercial software
  - Take into account the nano-material length
2. Export the mesh topology to an ASCII file
3. Add randomly the nanoparticles to the original mesh trough THERDISS in house developed software
  - According to the weight percentage
  - According to the properties of the nanomaterials
4. Establish the boundary conditions trough THERDISS
  - Surface temperatures
5. Solve the case with commercial software
  - The program calculates the heat flow  $q$
6. Calculate the equivalent thermal conductivity by,

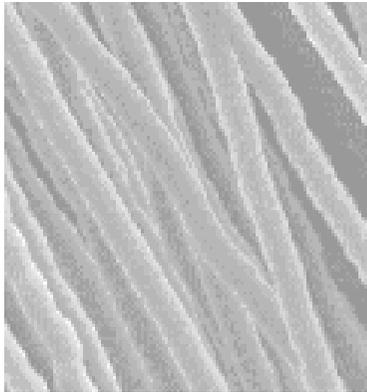
$$q = K_{eq} \cdot \frac{A}{d} \cdot \Delta T \rightarrow K_{eq} = \frac{q}{\Delta T} \cdot \frac{d}{A}$$



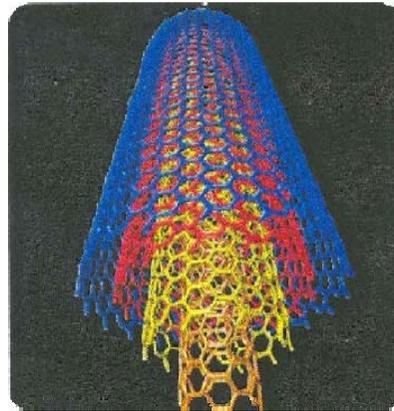
## Materials

### NANOMATERIALS

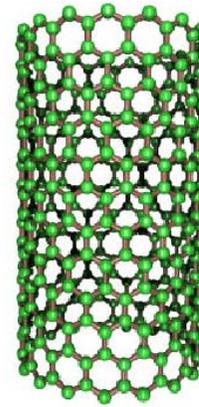
CNF



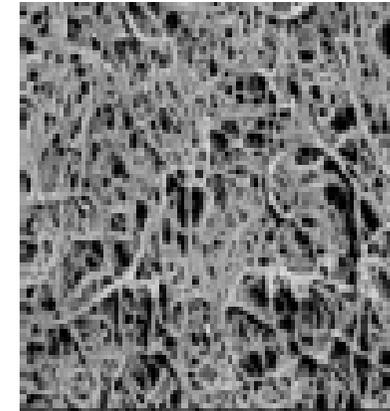
MWNT



SWNT



BUCKYPAPER



TYPE	Ø (m)	L (m)	K (W/mK)	ρ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Th. (m)
CNF	1.00E-07	1.00E-04 5.00E-05	1200	2100	-
MWNT	2.00E-08	4.00E-05 5.00E-07	3000	1350	-
SWNT	1.20E-09	4.00E-05 5.00E-07	1750 – 5800 3775 (mean)	1350	-
BUCKYPAPER	1.50E-08	2.00E-05 5.00E-06	1200	500	1.00E-4 5.00E-5

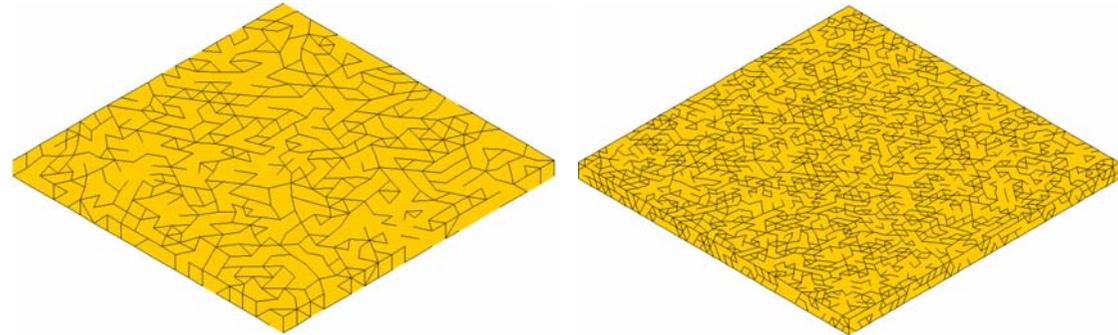
### ADHESIVE

MATERIAL	K (W/mK)	ρ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
HYSOL EA 9396	0.21	1150

## Finite Element Models

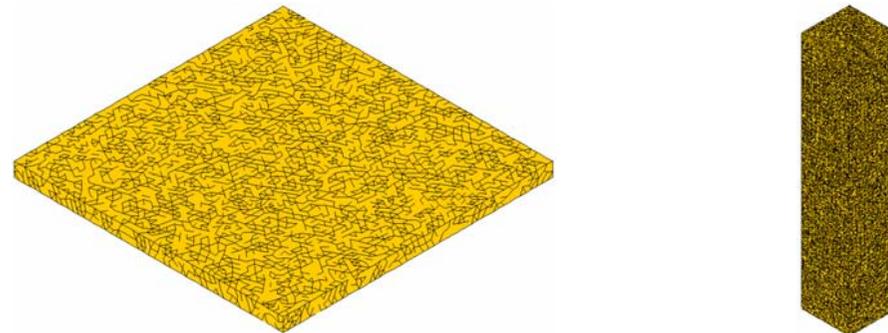
### FEM 01 and FEM 02

	FEM 01	FEM 02
NANOMATERIAL	CNF	
DIAMETER (m)	100.E-9	
LENGTH (m)	100.E-6	50.E-6
W. PERCENTAGE (%)	0.1 ÷ 50	
SCALED MODEL	NO	
SCALE	-	
FEM DIMENSIONS (mm)	2 x 2 x 0.1	



### FEM 03 and FEM 04

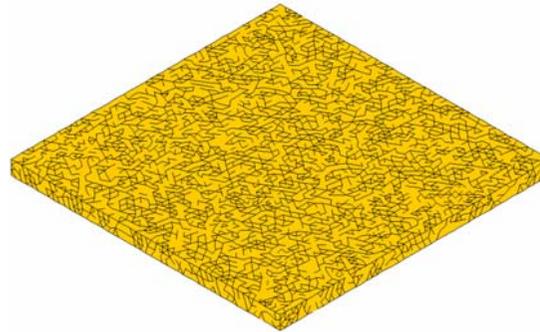
	FEM 03	FEM 04
NANOMATERIAL	MWNT	
DIAMETER (m)	20.E-9	
LENGTH (m)	40.E-6	500.E-9
W. PERCENTAGE (%)	0.1 ÷ 50	
SCALED MODEL	NO	YES
SCALE	-	1000 / 1
FEM DIMENSIONS (mm)	2 x 2 x 0.1	20 x 20 x 100



## Finite Element Models

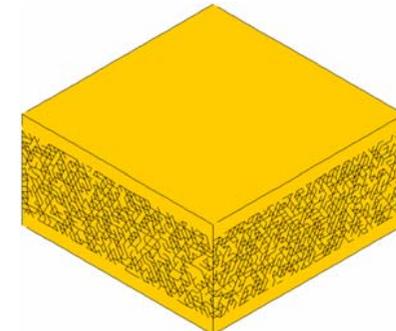
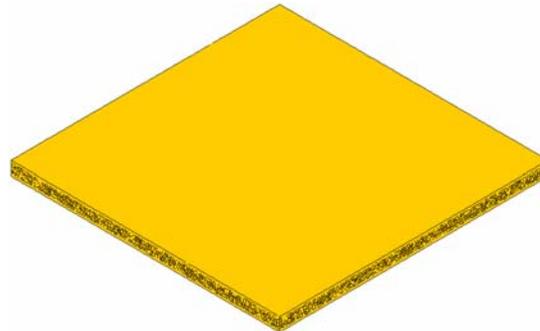
### FEM 05 and FEM 06

	FEM 05	FEM 06
NANOMATERIAL	SWNT	
DIAMETER (m)	1.2.E-9	
LENGTH (m)	40.E-6	500.E-9
W. PERCENTAGE (%)	0.1 ÷ 50	
SCALED MODEL	NO	YES
SCALE	-	1000 / 1
FEM DIMENSIONS (mm)	2 x 2 x 0.1	20 x 20 x 100

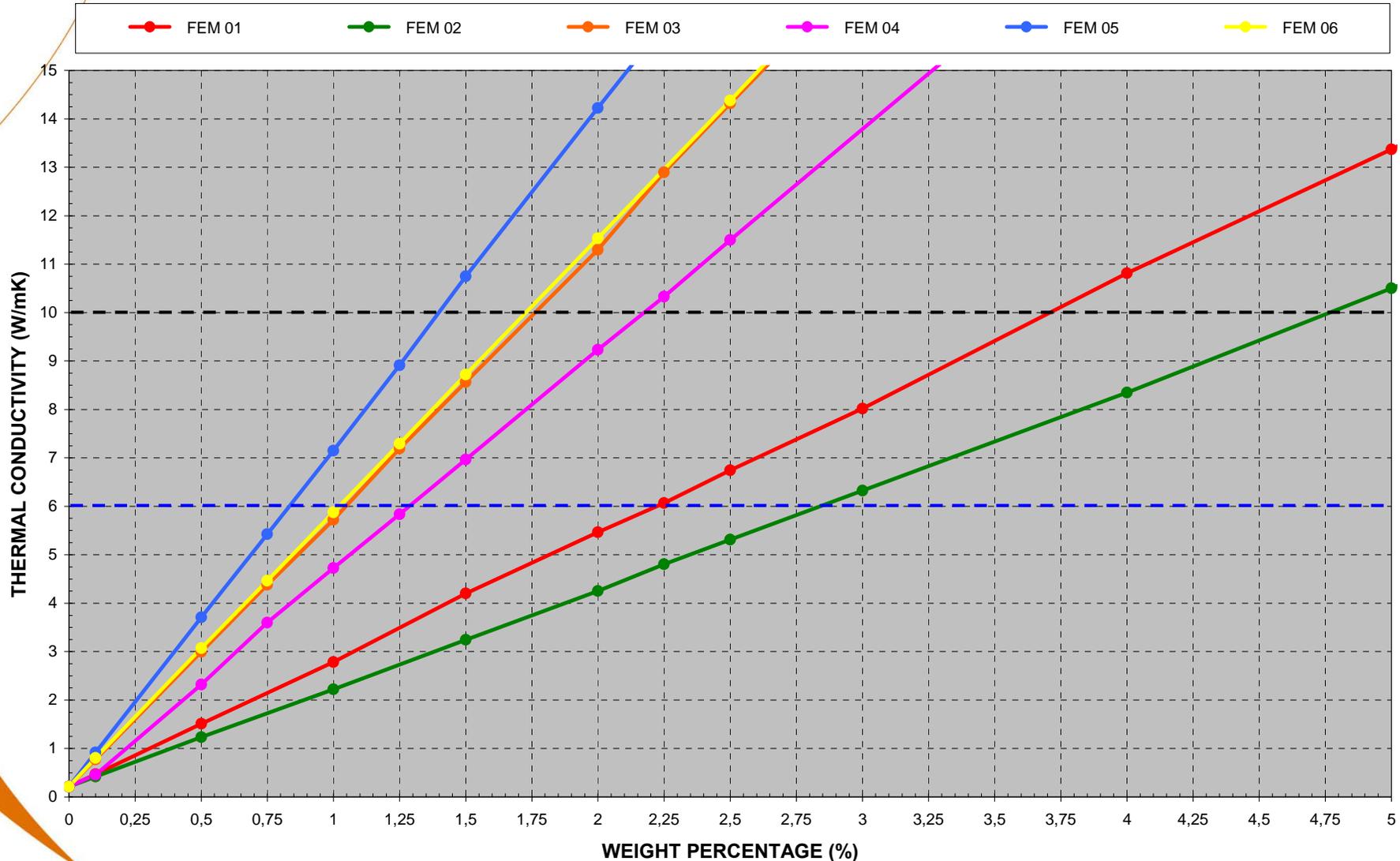


### FEM 07 and FEM 08

	FEM 07	FEM 08
NANOMATERIAL	BP	
DIAMETER (m)	15.E-9	
LENGTH (m)	20.E-6	5.E-6
W. PERCENTAGE (%)	19.79 ÷ 36.33	
SCALED MODEL	NO	YES
SCALE	-	1000 / 1
FEM DIMENSIONS (mm)	2 x 2 x 0.1	200x200x100



## Results for fibrous shaped nanomaterials



# Experimental

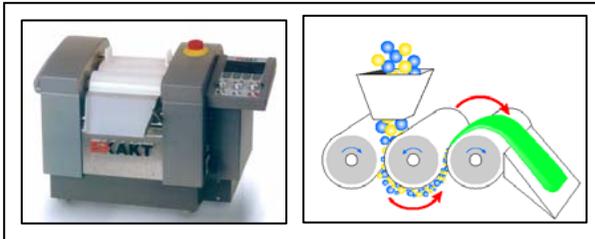
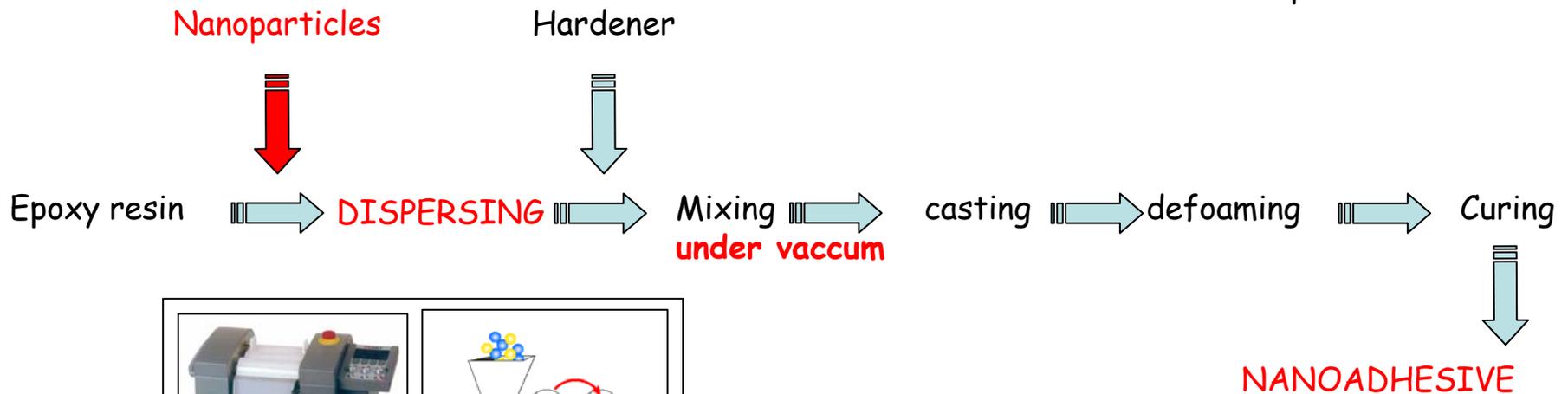
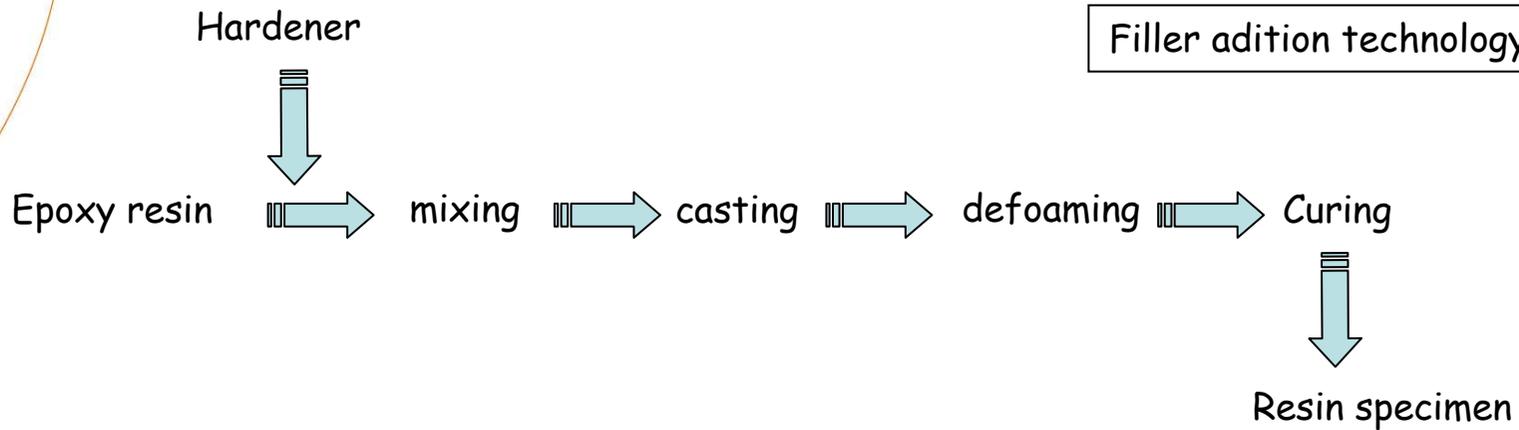
## Nanomaterials

### CNF

<b>Dispersion</b>	SWNT <	MWNT <	CNF
<b>Thermal properties</b>	≈	≈	≈
<b>Prize</b>	SWNT >	MWNT >	CNF

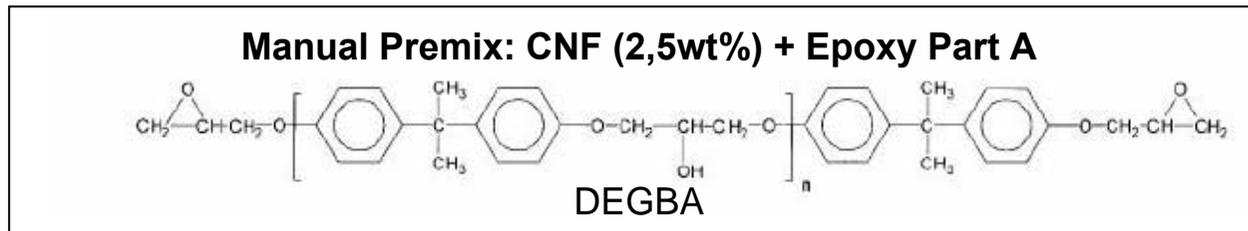
### Simulation: Ideal conditions

$$K_{adhesive} = 0,21 \frac{W}{mK} + 2.5 \text{ wt\% CNF} \longrightarrow K_{objective} = 6 \div 10 \frac{W}{mK}$$



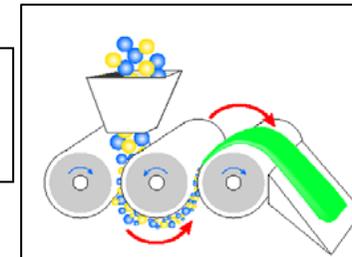
Three roll mill

## Work Methodology



**Dispersion device: Three roll mill**

**Control parameters: Gap and residence time**



Degassing

**Hardener Part B**



Aliphatic Amine



Curing

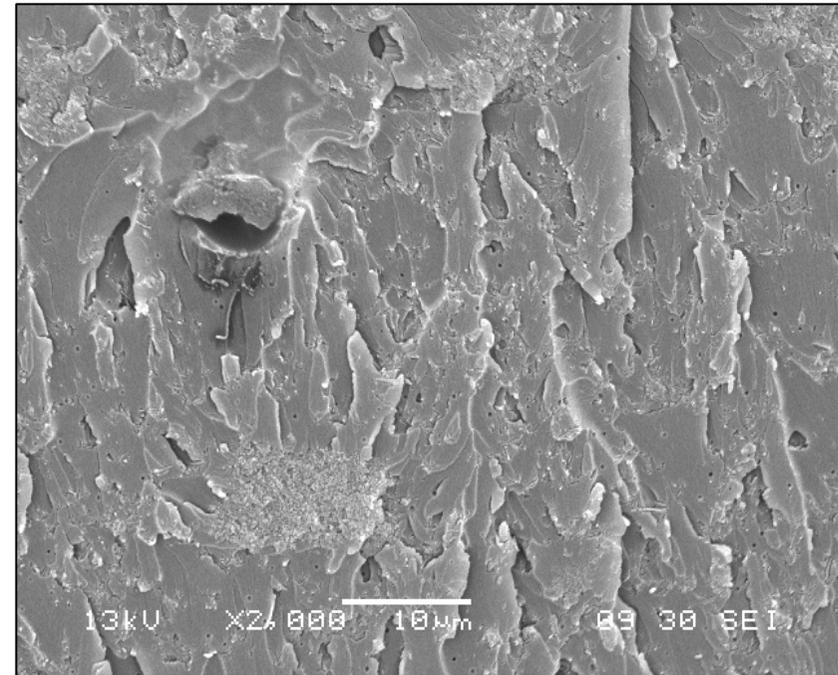
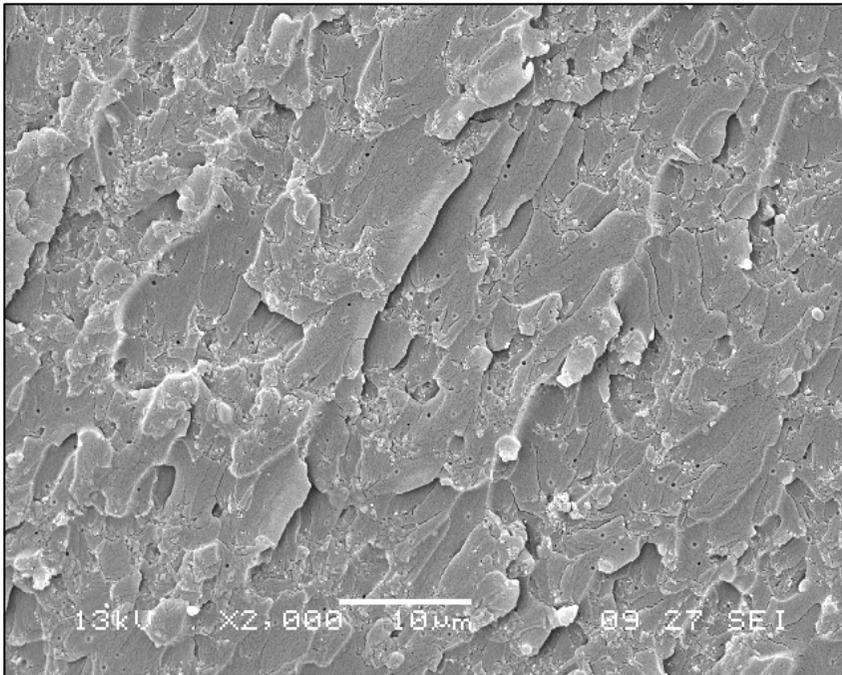


**NANOADHESIVE**



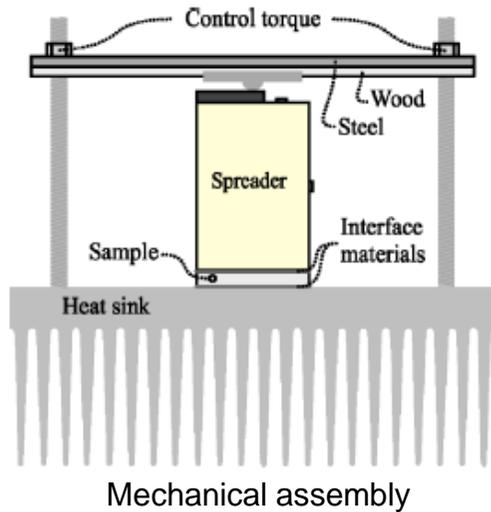
## Nanoadhesive Morphology

CNF distribution into the polymeric matrix

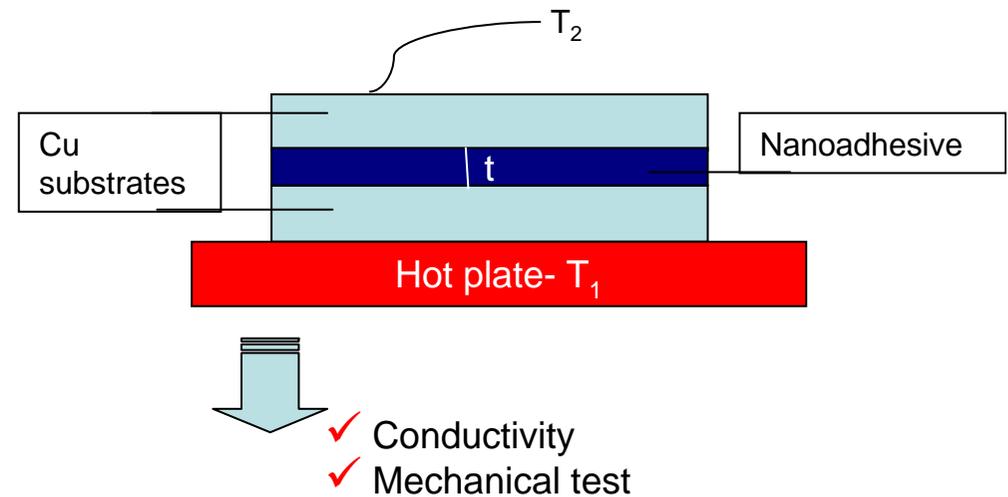


## Thermal Conductivity Results

### Guarded hot plate method



### Termocouple method



### Results. Guarded Hot plate

$$K_{\text{adhesive}} = 0,21 \frac{W}{mK}$$

$$K_{\text{nanoadhesive}} = 0,5 \frac{W}{mK}$$

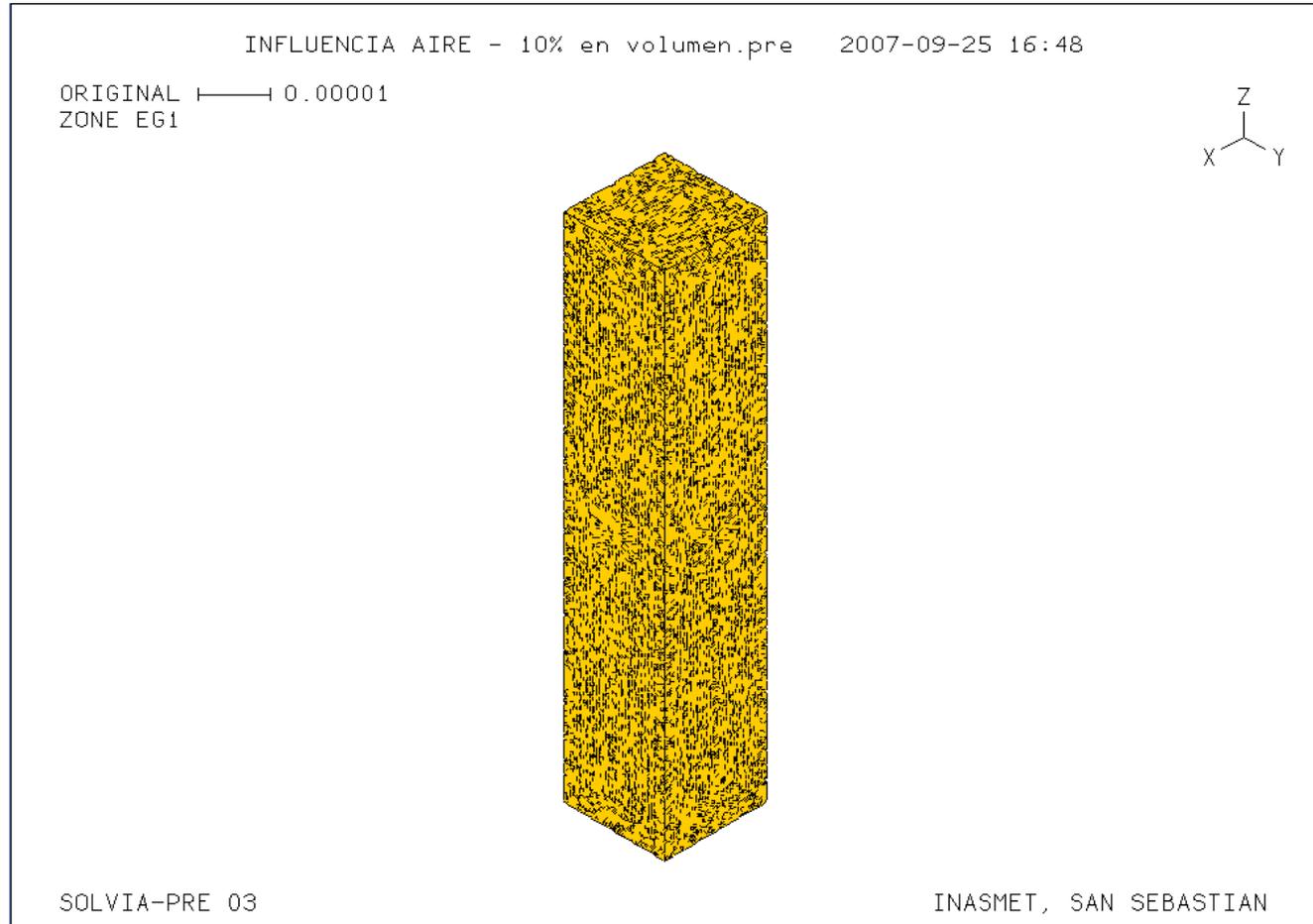
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$$K_{\text{objective}} = 6 \div 10 \frac{W}{mK}$$

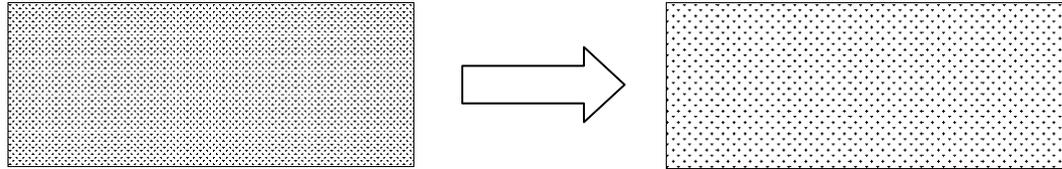
**INFLUENCE OF LACK OF DISPERSION,  
AIR PRESENCE AND NO CONTACT**

## Influence of air presence on the thermal conductivity

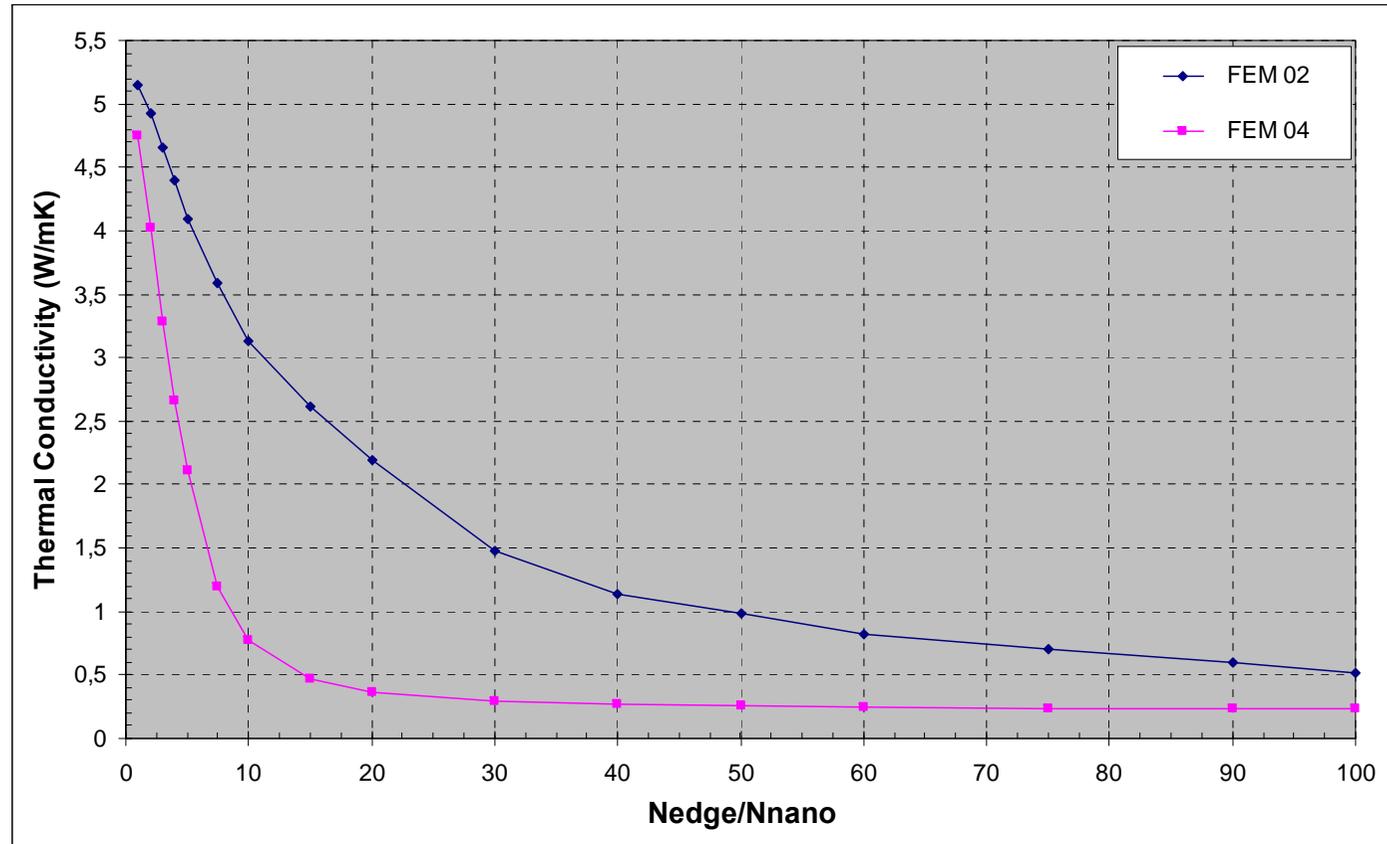
MODEL	K (W/mK)	
	FEM 02	FEM 04
WITHOUT AIR	5,15	4,75
1% AIR	5,10	-
10 % AIR	-	4,24



## Influence of lack of dispersion on the thermal conductivity

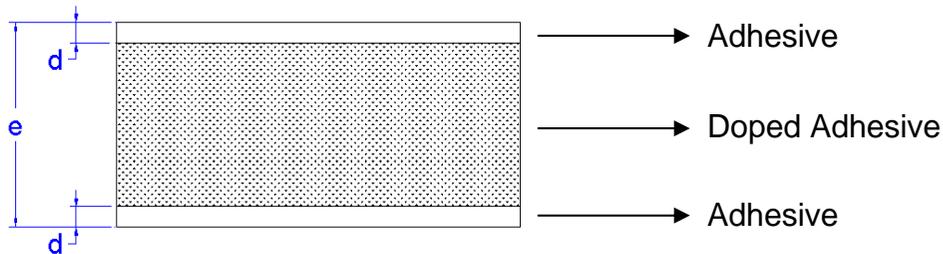


Nedge Nnano	K (W/mK)	
	FEM 02	FEM 04
1	5,15	4,75
2	4,93	4,02
3	4,66	3,29
4	4,39	2,66
5	4,09	2,12
7,5	3,59	1,20
10	3,13	0,77
15	2,61	0,47
20	2,19	0,37
30	1,48	0,30
40	1,14	0,27
50	0,98	0,26
60	0,82	0,25
75	0,71	0,24
90	0,59	0,23
100	0,52	0,23

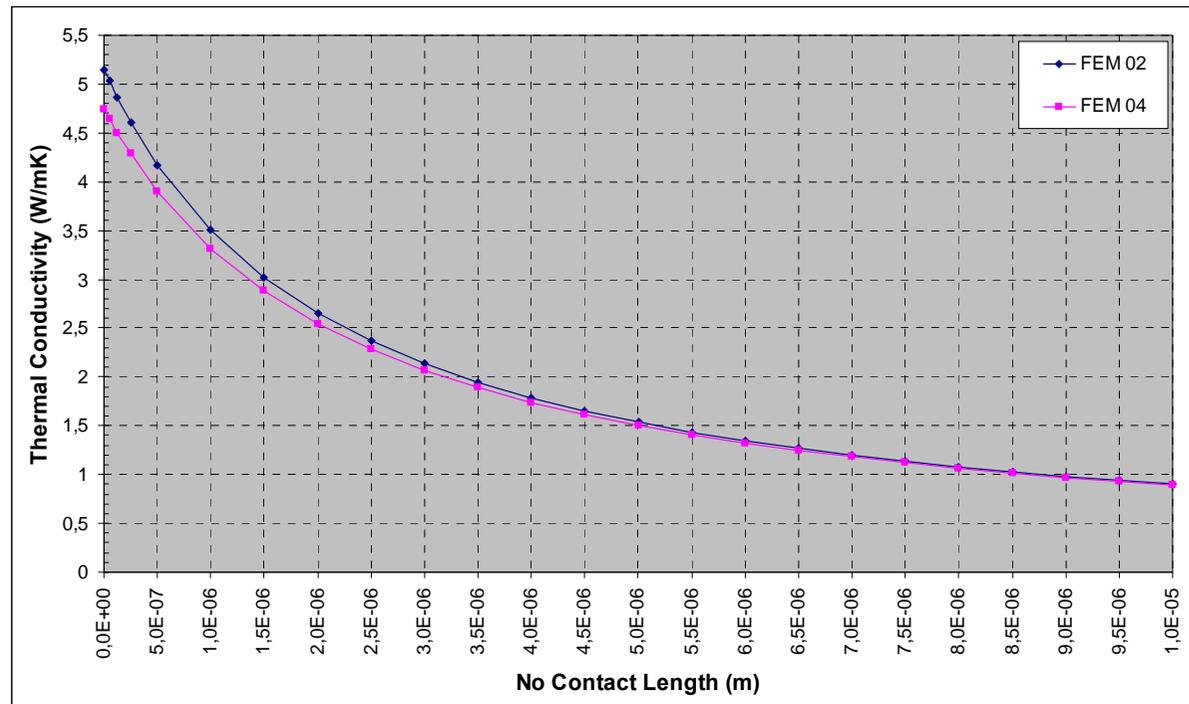


## Influence of no contact on the thermal conductivity

### NO CONTACT BETWEEN THE NANOELEMENTS AND THE ELECTRONIC COMPONENT

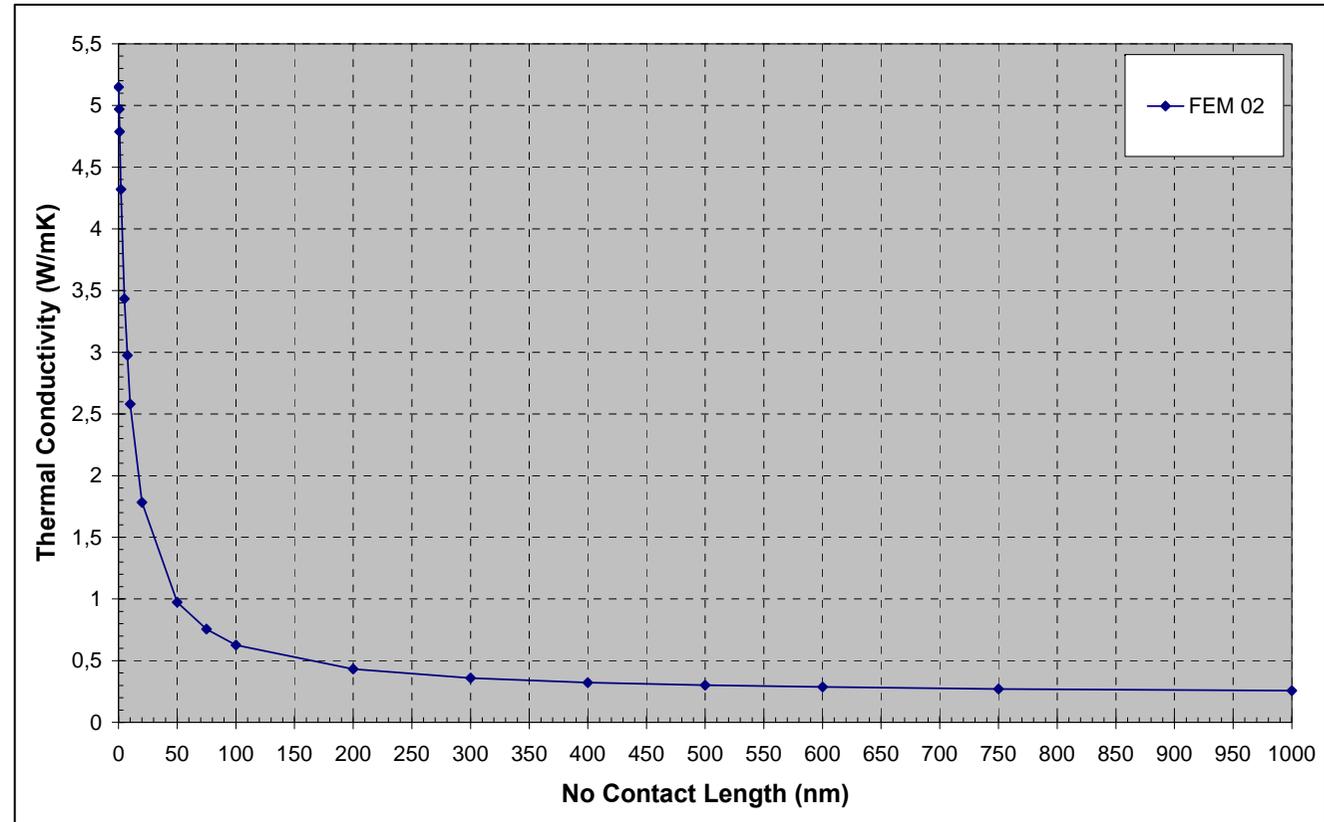
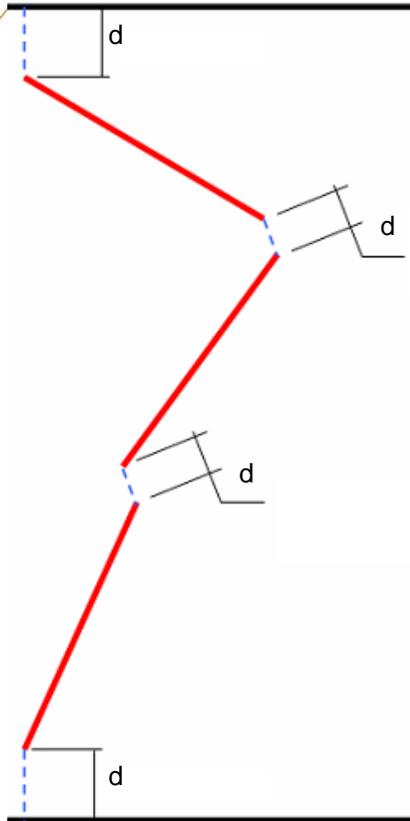


d (m)	K (W/mK)	
	FEM 02	FEM 04
0,00E+00	5,15	4,75
1,00E-06	3,50	3,31
2,00E-06	2,65	2,55
3,00E-06	2,14	2,07
4,00E-06	1,79	1,74
5,00E-06	1,54	1,50
6,00E-06	1,35	1,32
7,00E-06	1,20	1,18
8,00E-06	1,08	1,07
9,00E-06	0,98	0,97
10,0E-06	0,90	0,89



## Influence of the no contact on the thermal conductivity

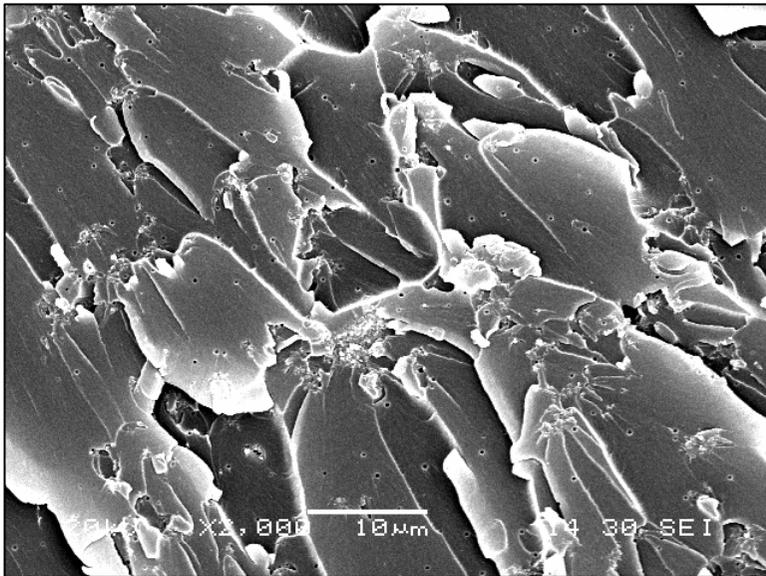
### NO CONTACT BETWEEN THE NANOELEMENTS



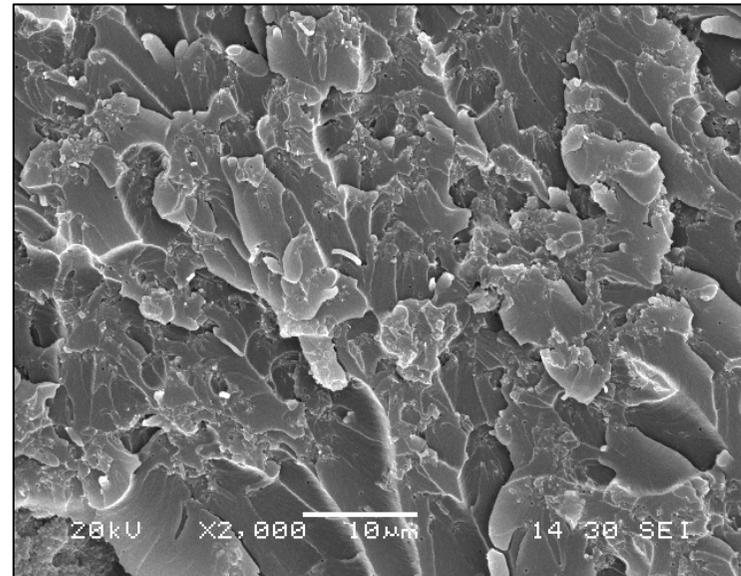
## Strategies to improve thermal conductivity. Synergic effect

### Boron nitride + fibrous nanomaterials (CNF)

$$K_{\text{Boron nitride}} = 600 \frac{W}{mK}$$



EPOXY+BORON NITRIDE



EPOXY+CNF + BN

## Conclusions

1. A methodology has been established to predict K for doped adhesives and a FEM program has been written.
2. In the fibrous shaped nanomaterials (CNF, MWNT and SWNT), the efficiency depends mainly on the orientation of the nanoparticles, as well as the thermal conductivity of the nanomaterials.
3. Good CNF dispersion into the polymeric matrix was achieved using the three roller mill device.
4. Thermal conductivity increases to 0.5 W/mk using 2.5 wt% of CNF. This result is in concordance with the simulation in which the main condition is that no contact between the nanoelements takes place.
5. Adding boron nitride the contact among conductive elements was increased (SEM images), therefore the thermal conductivity could be increased.
6. **New and promising results are being obtained that assure successful final for the project**

**Thanks for your attention!**