Metal Filled Polymers & Conductive Adhesives

STARTER PAPER:

Electrical and Thermal Conductivity of Polymers Filled with Metal Powders

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• The term **polymer** sometimes refer to plastics, but also encompasses a large class comprising both natural and synthetic materials.

Natural: Shellac, amber, natural rubber and cellulose.

Synthetic: Synthetic rubber, Bakelite, neoprene, nylon, PVC, polystyrene, polyethylene, polypropylene, polyacrylonitrile, PVB, silicone, & more.

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Metal Filled Polymer:

A polymer filled with metal particles such as Nickel, Copper, Graphite, Silver and more.

Conductive Adhesive: A type of metal filled polymer used primarily to repair or bind things to metal surfaces.

WHY USE THEM?

- The **mechanical** properties and **processing** methods are typical of plastics
- They are conductive **thermally** or **electrically**.

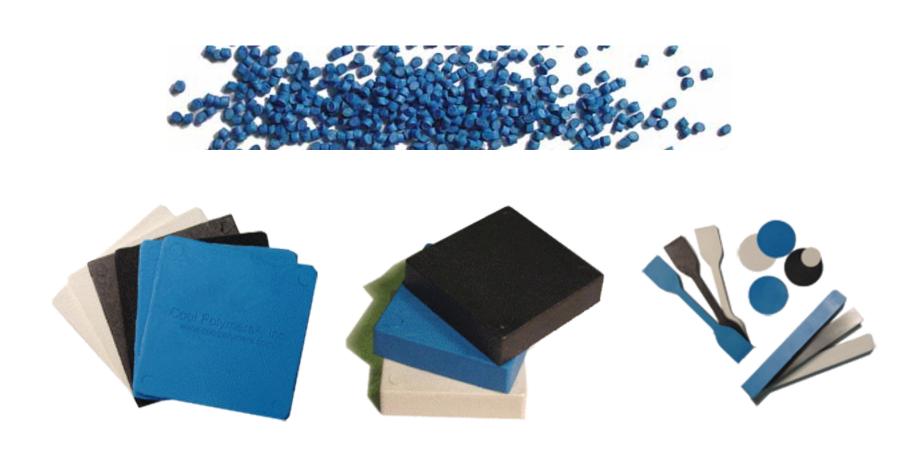
Controlling these aspects allows for a range of applications.

Hy-Poxy: http://www.hypoxy.com



CoolPoly E-series:

Thermally & Electrically Conductive Plastics http://www.coolpolymers.com/eseries.asp



DYI Conductive Glue:

Using Carbon Graphite and Epoxy

http://www.instructables.com/id/Make-Conductive-Glue-andGlue-a-Circuit/



Polysolder:

Screen printing, stencil printing or dispensing.

http://www.cooksonsemi.com/products/polymer/polysolder.asp

POLYSOLDER Conductive Adhesives

				Material Characteristics							
Paste Products	Description	Applications	Features & Benefits	Viscosity (kcps) (hours)	Pot Life @ 25°C	Cure Profile	(¹ 6)	CTE (C)	Volume Relativity (ohm-cm)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m°K)	Die Shear @25°C (PSI)
ū	Silver-filled electrically conductive paste	Provides mechanical and electrical interconnect for surface mount components to substrate. Stencil or dispense applications EMI/RF grounding applications	Pb-Free solder alternative Low stress No flux or post-soldering residues to clean No alpha particle emission Available as a 2 part system	150	8 hours	10 min @ 140°C	90	54	≤5.0x10 ⁻⁴	3.5	>2500 Au on Au
<u>\$E3001</u>	Microdot dispensing silver-filled electrically conductive paste	Provides mechanical and electrical interconnect for surface mount components to substrate. Stencil or dispense applications Microdot dispensing with 23 gauge needle EMI/RF grounding applications	Pb-Free solder alternative Low stress No flux or post-soldering residues to clean No alpha particle emission	150-220	8-12 hours	15 min @ 130°C	90	54	≤1.0 x 10⁴	4 to 5	≥2300 Au on Au



Cosmichrome™: a hybrid of paint and plating.

Coats anything - metals, ceramics, plastics, glass and even wood with a mirror like finish.



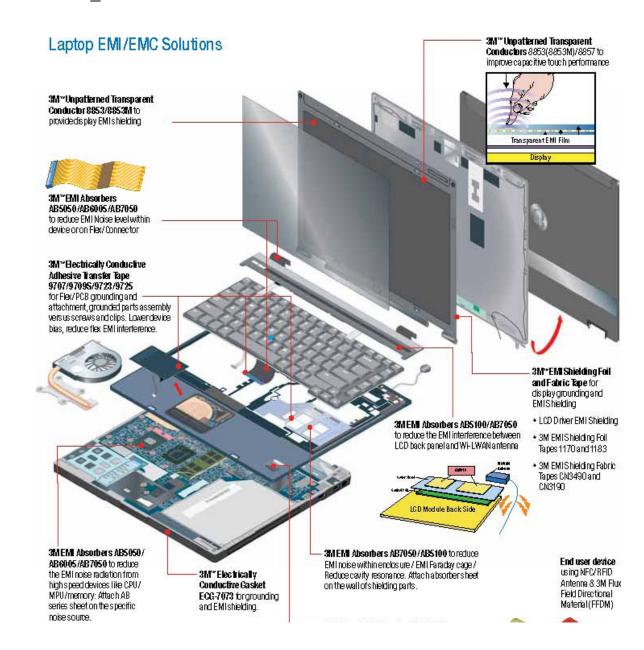
Ideal when:

electroplating and vacuum metallizing are unsuitable in cost, size, design, substrate material, or environmental issues.

Source: http://www.goldtouchinc.com/cosmichrome/index.html

Conductive Adhesive Tapes: http://www.staticfaction.com/products-tape.html





SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

Plastic Steel:

- Moderate skin irritant.
- Contact at elevated temperatures can cause thermal burns which may result in permanent damage.
- May cause skin sensitization (itching, redness, rashes, hives, burning, swelling).
- Low vapor

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Powders:

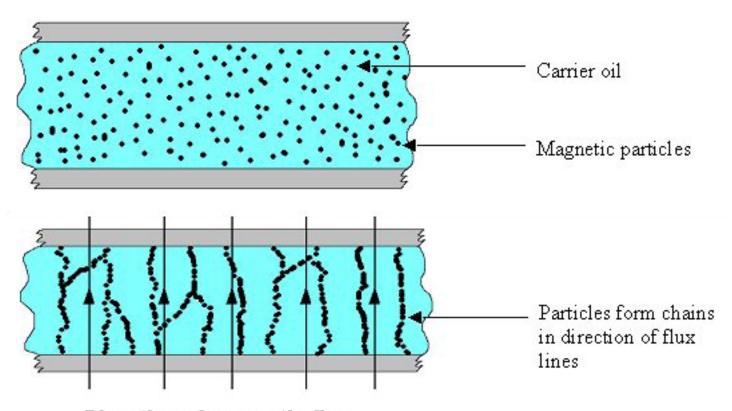
Proper ventilation to maintain a powder-air concentration well below the Minimum Explosion Concentration (M.E.C.) of the powder being sprayed.

Care should be taken to avoid accumulations of dusts or powders in places where these accumulations could cause shorting of electrical switches, circuits or components

Used in the Hubble Telescope.

MR Fluids: polymer-coated magnetic carbonyl iron microparticles in magnetorheological fluids

A smart fluid in a carrier fluid, usually an oil. When subjected to a magnetic field, the fluid greatly increases viscosity.



Direction of magnetic flux

MR Fluids:

As Dampeners and Shock Absorbers



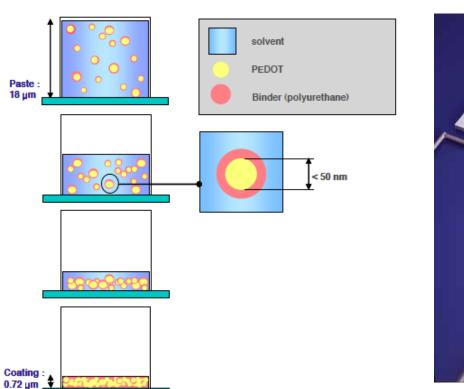
Possible use in military tanks as well as storm & earthquake-proof bridges.

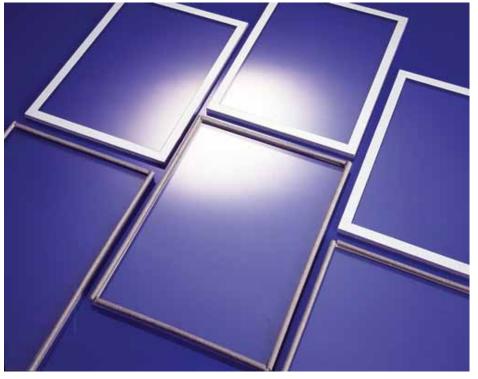
http://www.djc.com/news/ae/11151055.html

EM Shielding:

The intrinsic conducting polymers which have wide range of electric conductivity could be adopted as EM wave absorbing material.

Harmful (EM) waves from mobile phone, portable music player, hair dryer, wireless devices.

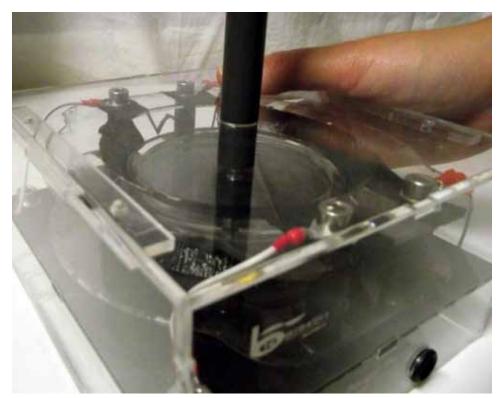




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Flexible Generators:

Could Turn Shoes Into Rechargeable Batteries



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http://www.intechopen.com/source/pdfs/18330/ InTech-Extending_applications_of_dielectric_elastomer_artificial_muscles_to_wireless_communication_ systems.pdf Artificial muscles, known as dielectric elastomer generators, are stretchy materials that produce energy when deformed.

