

## reTHINK: „CFRP – Recycling and Sustainability“ Characterization of recycled carbon fibre materials

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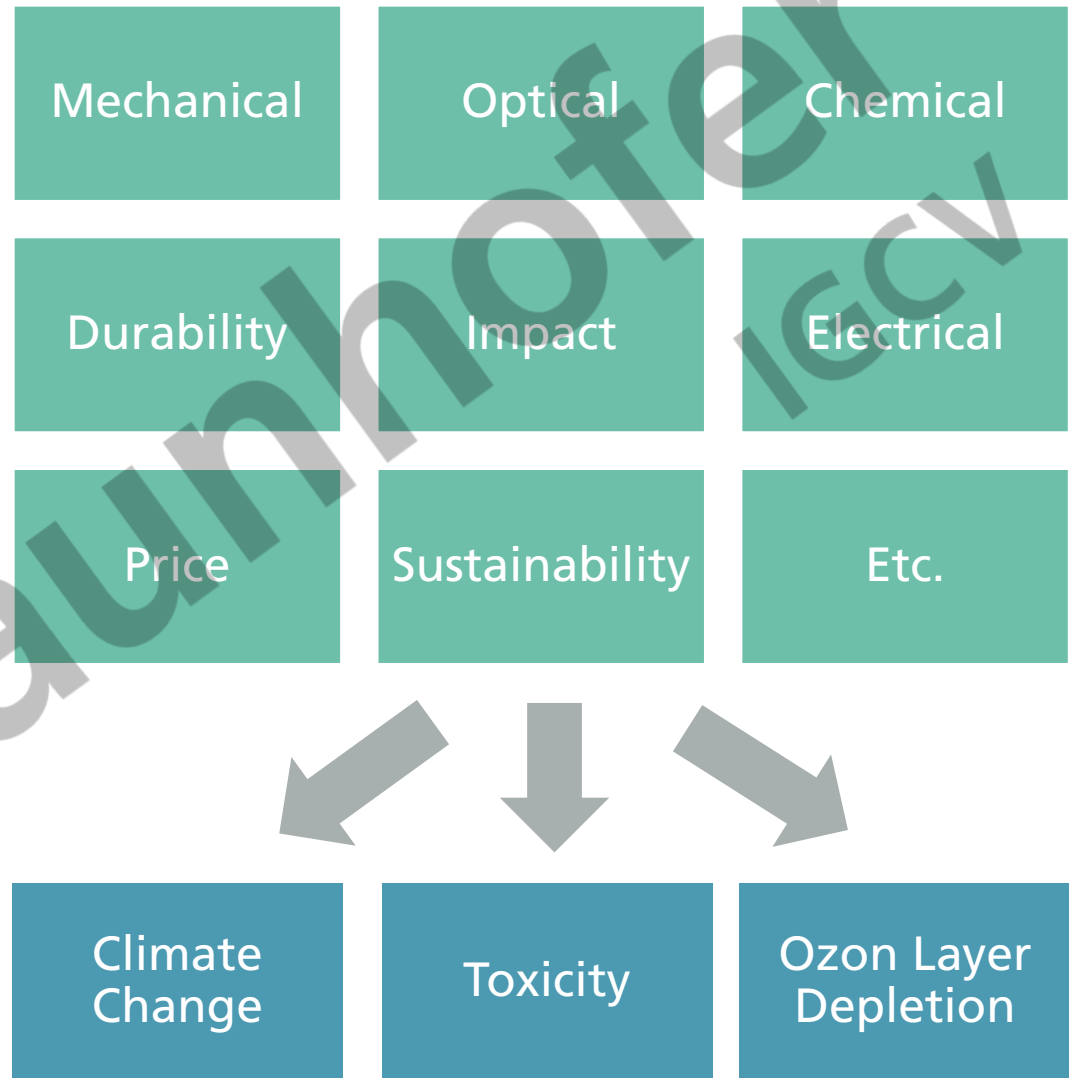
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# Why do we need characterization techniques?



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CFRP-Woven out of epoxy resin



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## Composition overview

### Compositional summary

Epoxy + Carbon fiber reinforcement

Material family	Plastic (thermoset)		
Base material	EP (Epoxy resin)		
% filler (by weight)	65	- 70	%
Filler/reinforcement	Carbon		
Filler/reinforcement form	Quasi-isotropic lay-up		
Polymer code	EP-CF70		

### Composition detail (polymers and natural materials)

Polymer	30	- 35	%
Carbon (fiber)	65	- 70	%

### Price

Price	* 33,6	- 37,3	EUR/kg
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### Physical properties

Density	1,55e3	- 1,58e3	kg/m^3
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### Mechanical properties

Young's modulus	* 49,7	- 60,1	GPa
Yield strength (elastic limit)	* 603	- 738	MPa
Tensile strength	603	- 738	MPa
Elongation	* 0,32	- 0,35	% strain
Compressive modulus	* 49,7	- 60,1	GPa
Compressive strength	* 542	- 657	MPa
Flexural modulus	91	- 110	GPa
Flexural strength (modulus of rupture)	* 249	- 356	MPa
Shear modulus	* 19	- 23	GPa
Bulk modulus	* 9,09	- 12,2	GPa
Poisson's ratio	* 0,305	- 0,307	
Shape factor	7,7		
Hardness - Vickers	* 10,8	- 21,5	HV
Hardness - Rockwell M	* 80	- 110	
Hardness - Rockwell R	* 117	- 129	
Fatigue strength at 10^7 cycles	* 137	- 231	MPa
Mechanical loss coefficient (tan delta)	* 0,0014	- 0,0033	

### Impact & fracture properties

Fracture toughness	* 12,1	- 19,8	MPa.m^0.5
Ductility index	0,41	- 0,61	
Impact strength, notched 23 °C	* 40	- 63	kJ/m^2

## Thermal properties

Glass temperature	100	- 180	°C
Heat deflection temperature 0.45MPa	* 279	- 337	°C
Heat deflection temperature 1.8MPa	* 250	- 305	°C
Maximum service temperature	* 140	- 220	°C
Minimum service temperature	* -123	- -73	°C
Thermal conductivity	* 1,28	- 2,6	W/m.°C
Specific heat capacity	* 902	- 1,04e3	J/kg.°C
Thermal expansion coefficient	* 0,36	- 4,02	µstrain/°C

## Electrical properties

Electrical resistivity	* 1,65e5	- 9,46e5	µohm.cm
Galvanic potential	0,14	- 0,22	V

## Magnetic properties

Magnetic type	Non-magnetic
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## Optical properties

Transparency	Opaque
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## Bio-data

RoHS (EU) compliant grades?	✓
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## Absorption & permeability

Water absorption @ 24 hrs	* 0,036	- 0,0525	%
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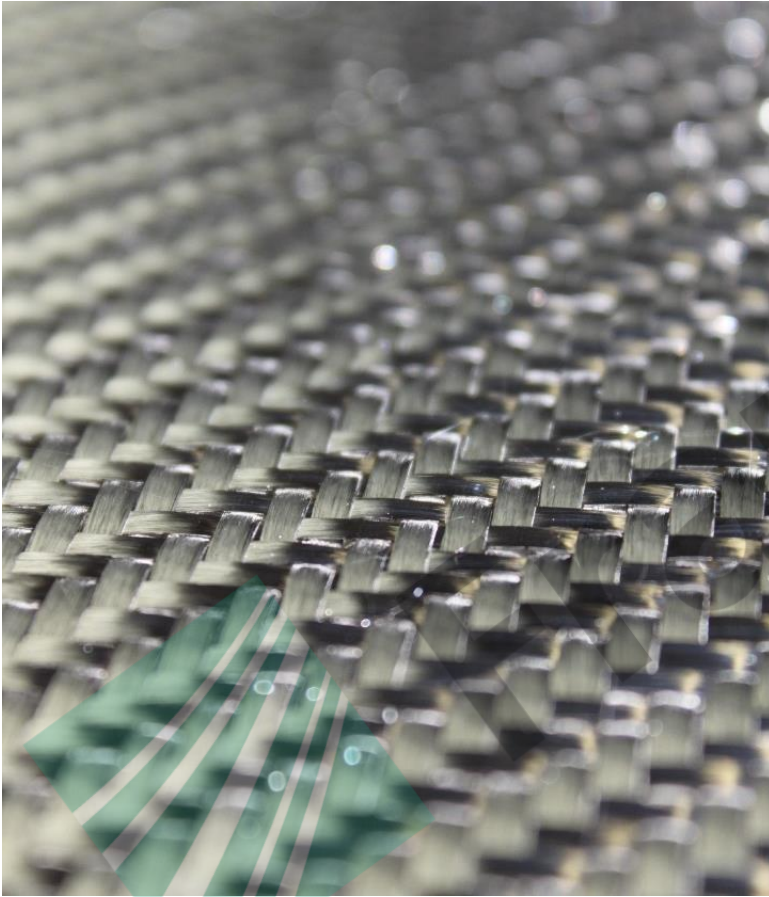
## Durability

Water (fresh)	Excellent			
Water (salt)	Excellent			
Weak acids	Acceptable			
Strong acids	Unacceptable			
Weak alkalis	Limited use			
Strong alkalis	Excellent			
Organic solvents	Limited use			
Oxidation at 500C	Unacceptable			
UV radiation (sunlight)	Good			
Flammability	Slow-burning			
Flammability - typical UL 94 rating	HB			
Oxygen index	* 24	-	26	%

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# Virgin vs. Recycled carbon fibres

## What is the difference?



Fibre  
orientation

Fibre length

Fibre  
volume  
content

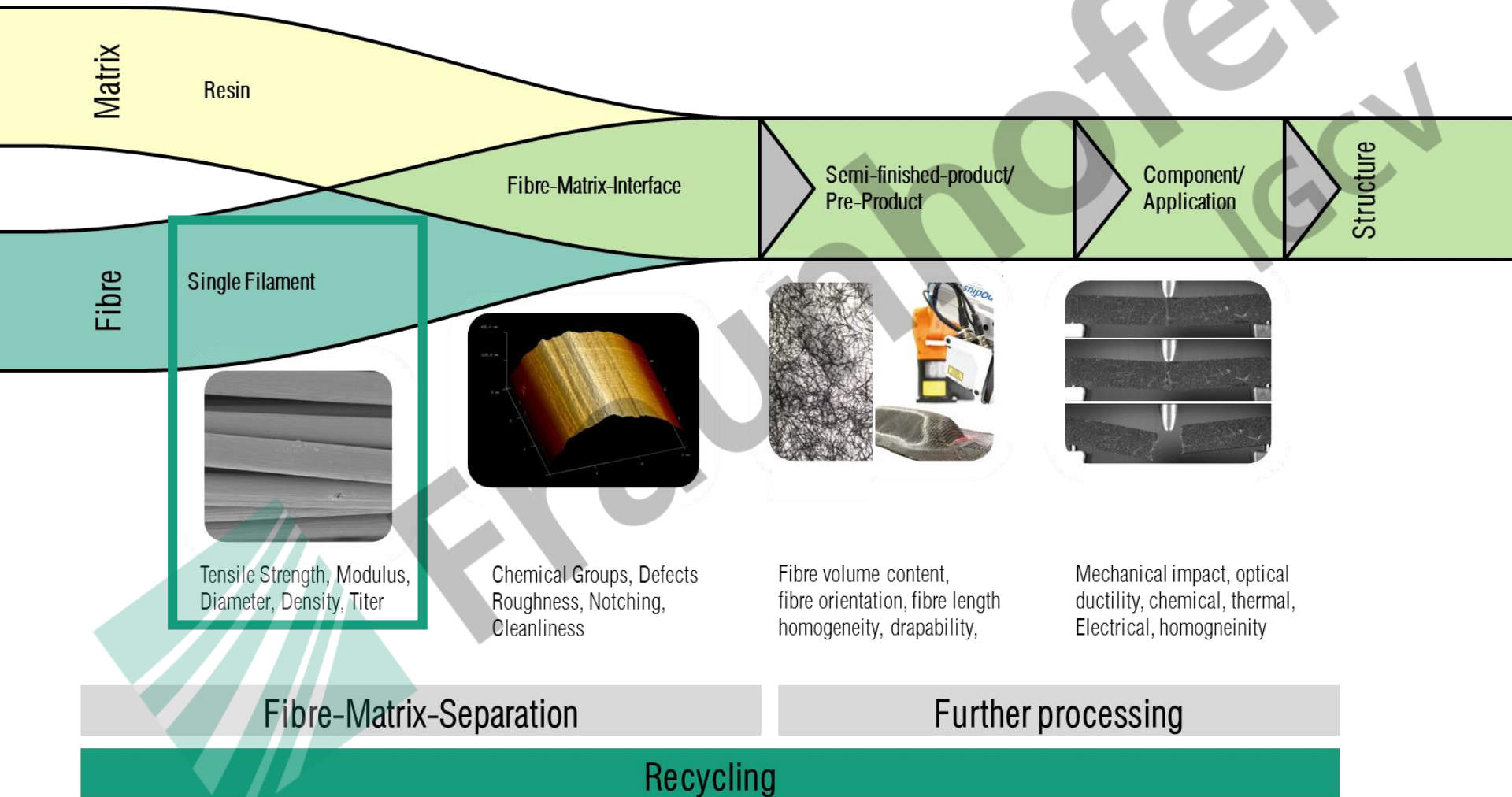
Filament

Adhesion



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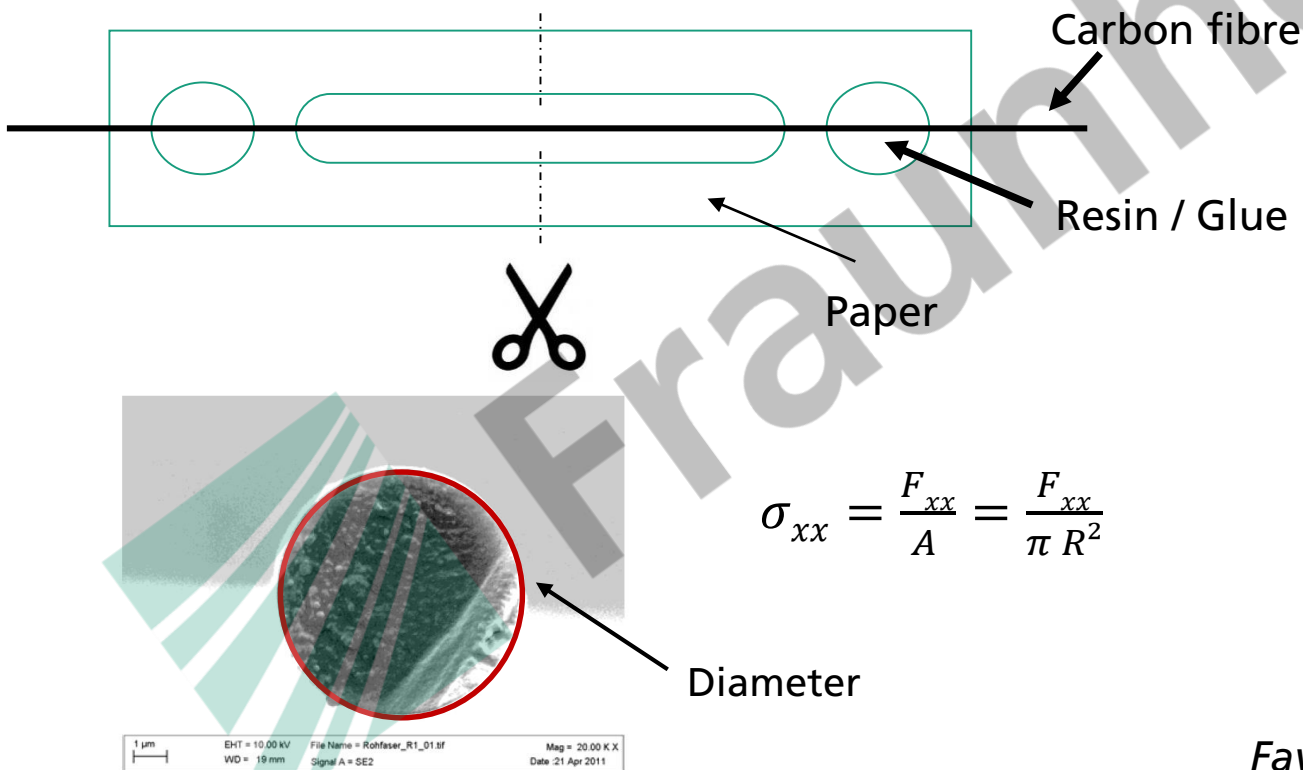
## Influences on properties by recycling



# Possibilities of characterization

## Single filament testing

- ASTM 3379-75: Method for Tensile Strength and Young Modulus for High-Modulus Single-Filament Materials



Favimat-Single fibre tensile test

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## Single filament testing

Statistic

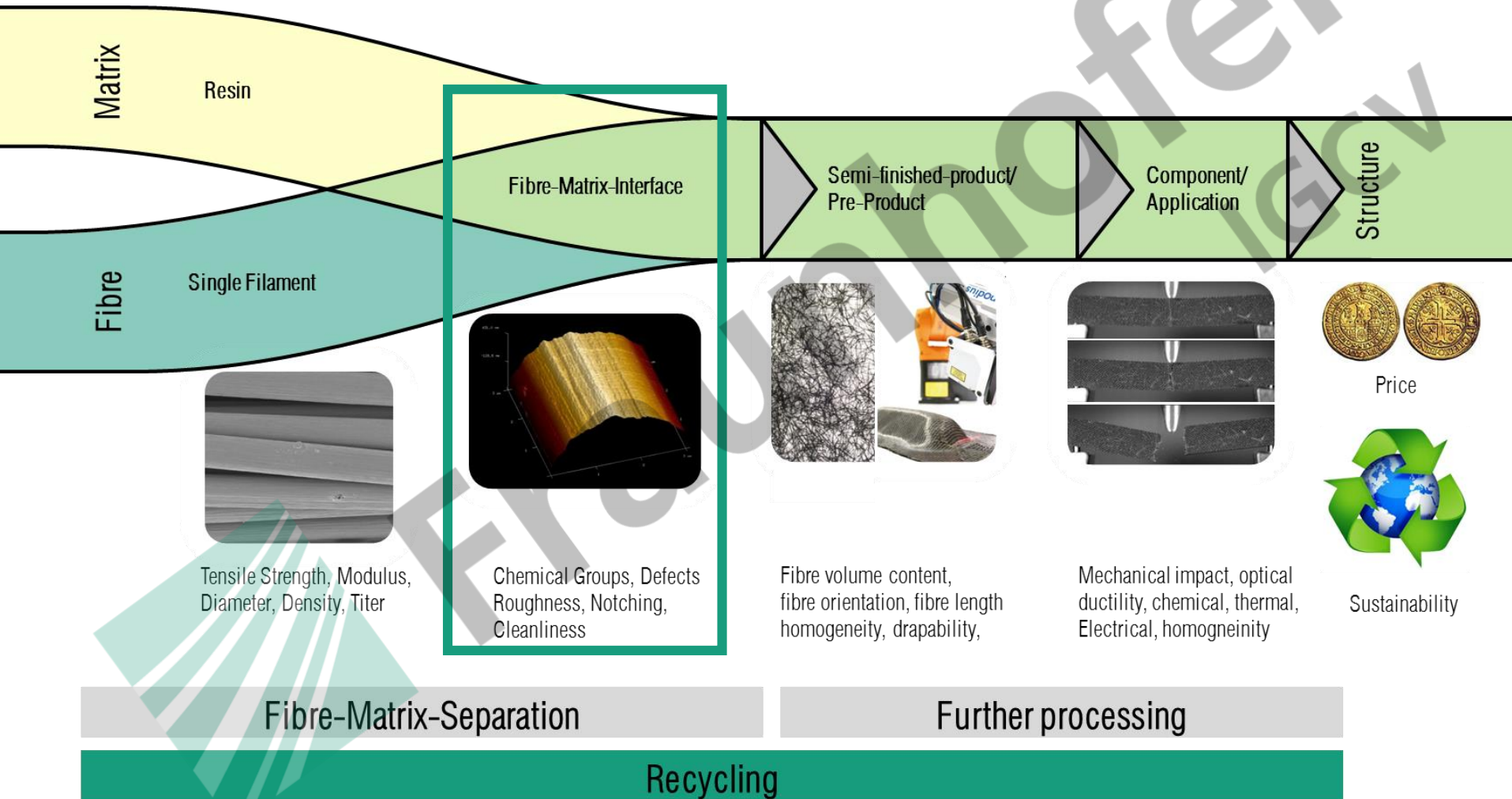
Diameter

Fibre-manufacturer

Testing Parameters

# Possibilities of characterization

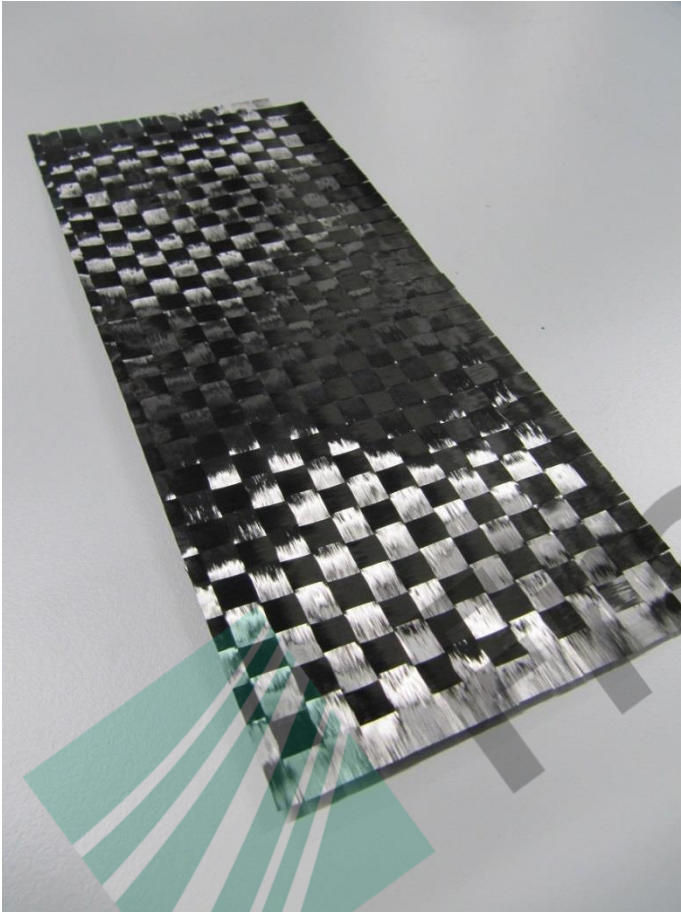
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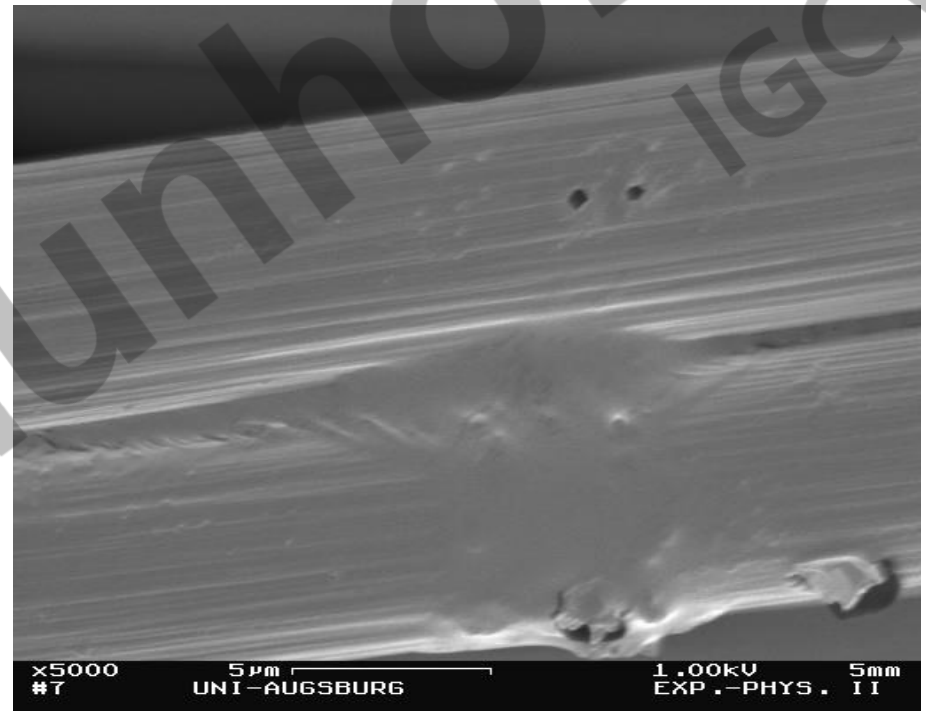


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## Interface – Defects and Cleanliness

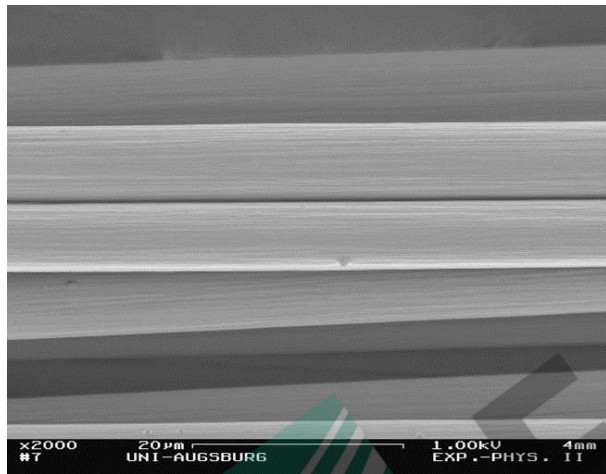


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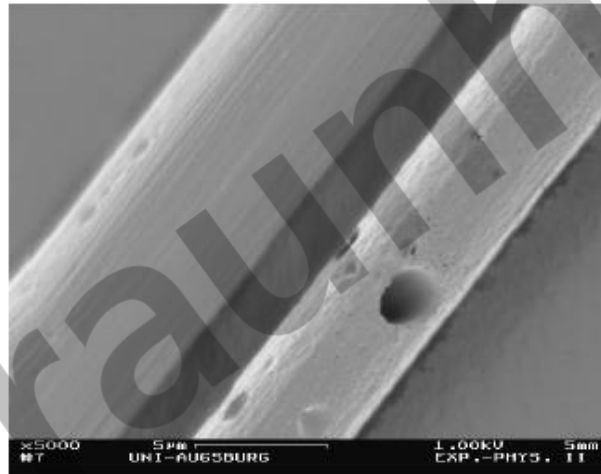


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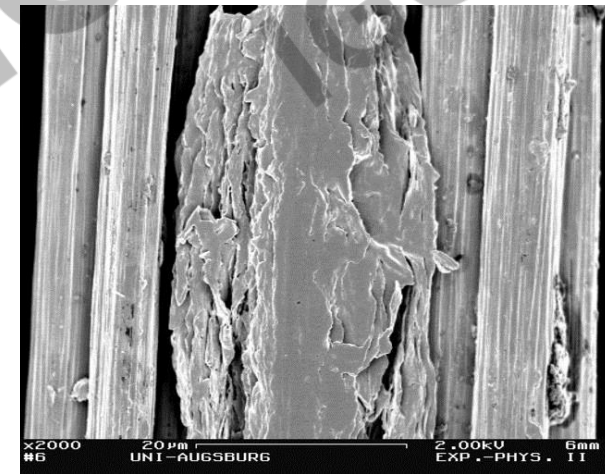
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Virgin Fibers



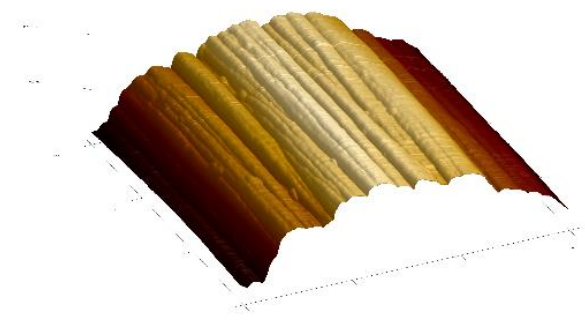
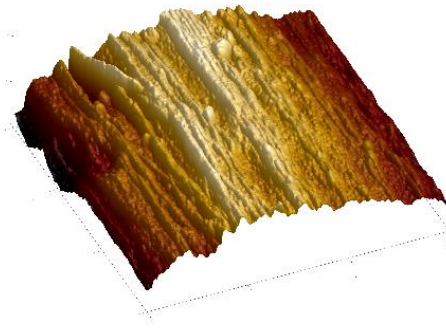
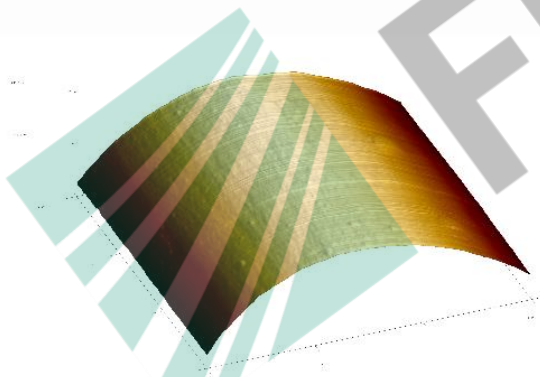
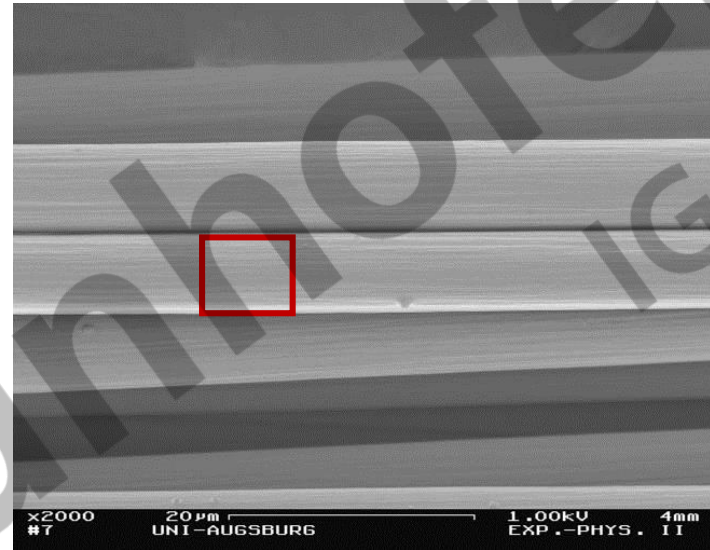
$600\text{ °C}$  30 minutes oxidised  
 $20,9\text{ \% O}_2$



$600\text{ °C}$  30 minutes pyrolysed  
 $100\text{ \% N}_2$

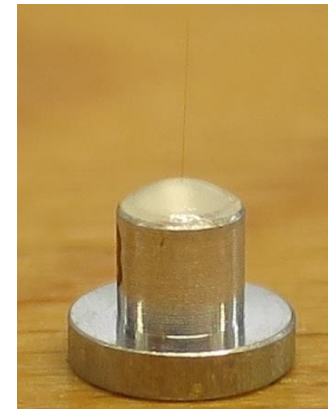
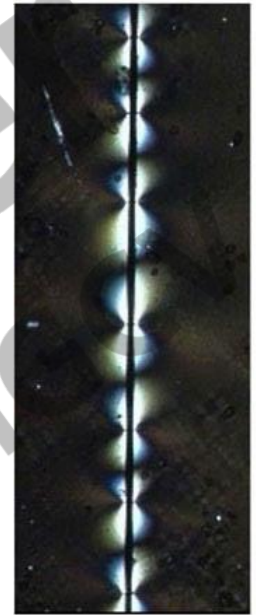
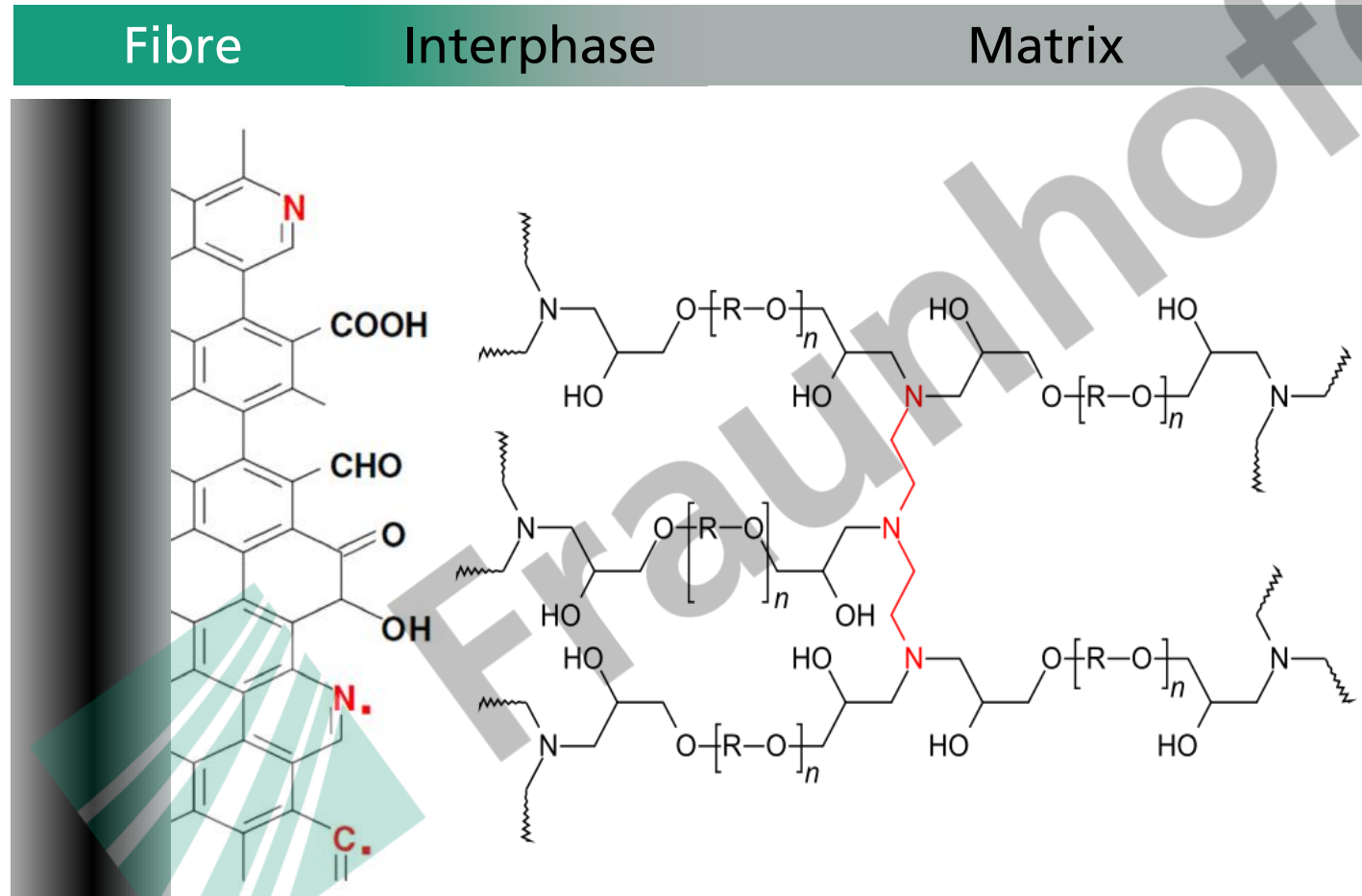
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## Interface – Defects and Roughness



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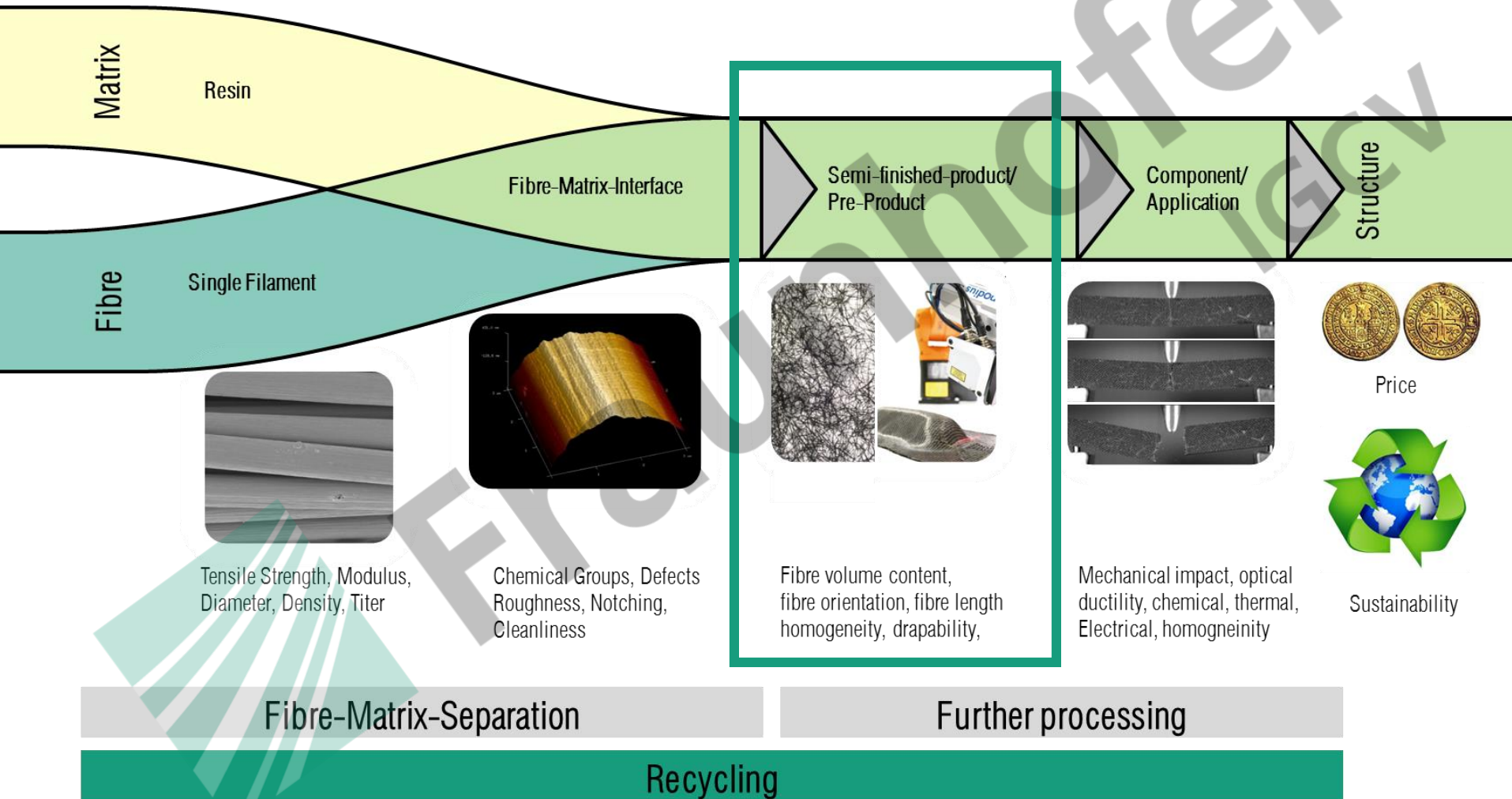
## Interface – Surface Groups





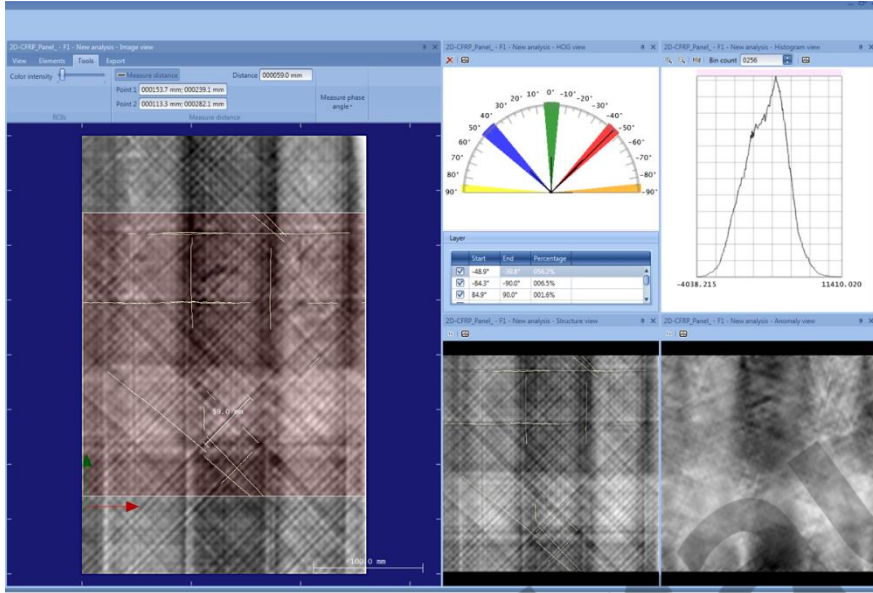
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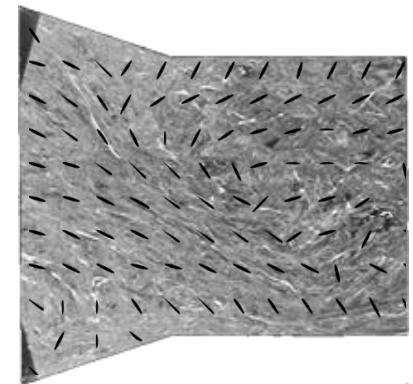
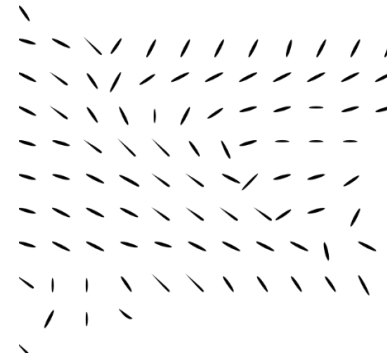
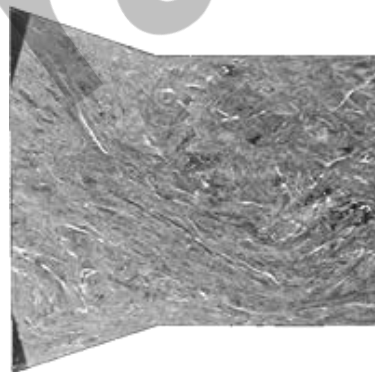
# Possibilities of characterization Semi-Finished-Product



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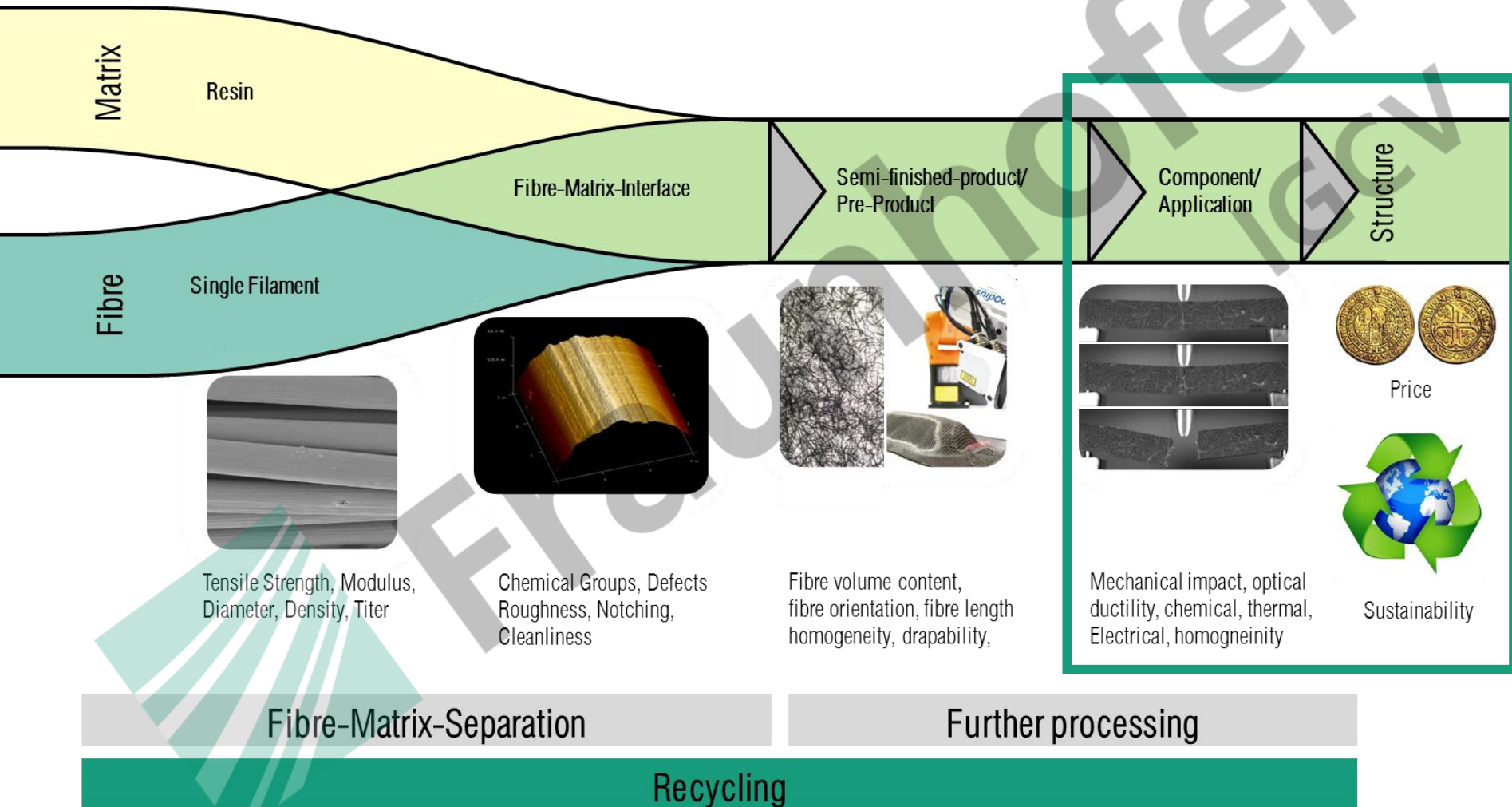
- Fibre-orientation
- Fibre-volume content
- Homogeneity / defects

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# Possibilities of characterization

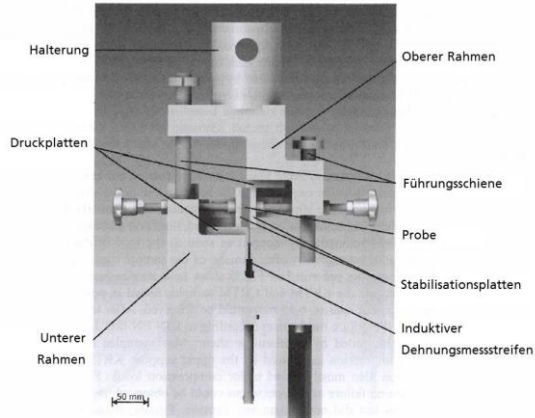
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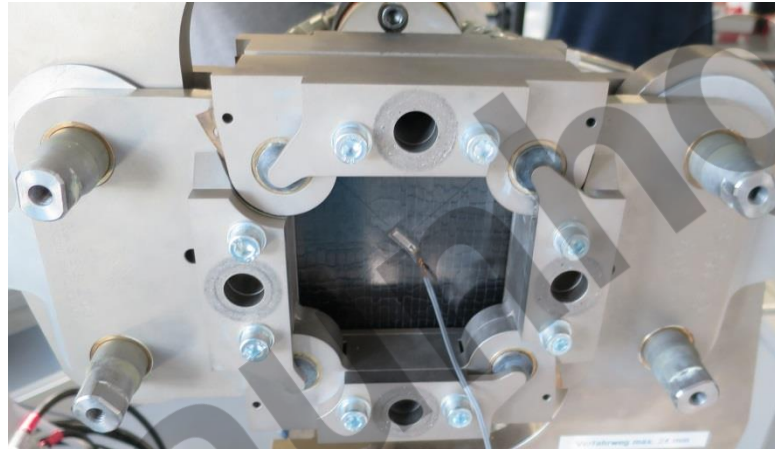
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## CFRP testing

### Edge-Shear-Test



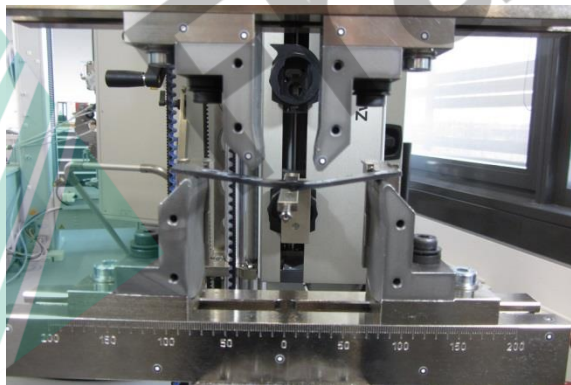
### Shear-Frame-Test



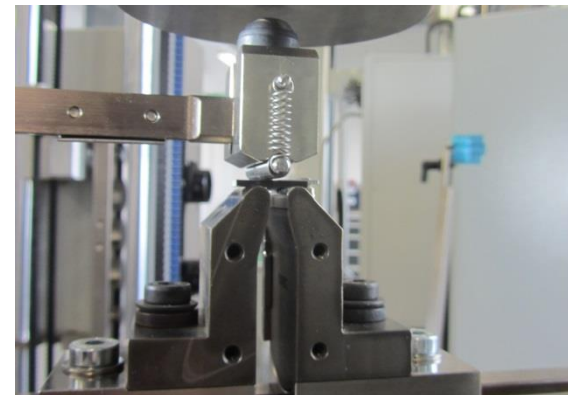
### Tensile-Test



### 3-point-Bending-Test



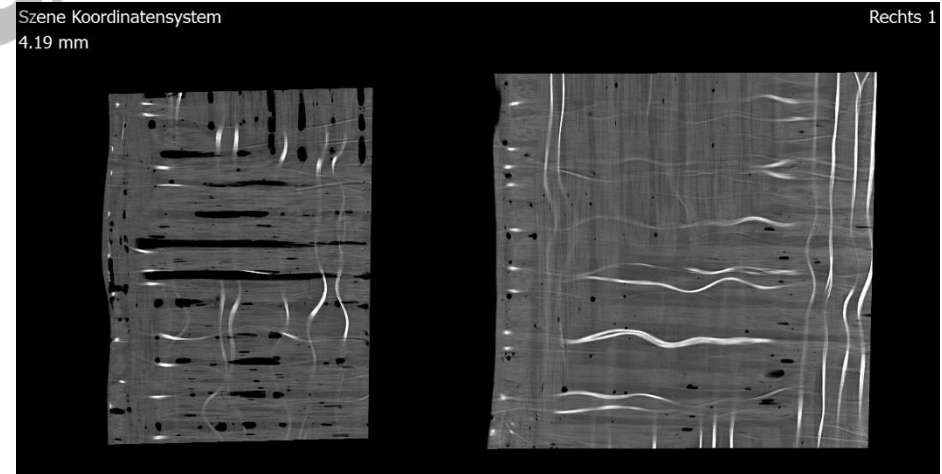
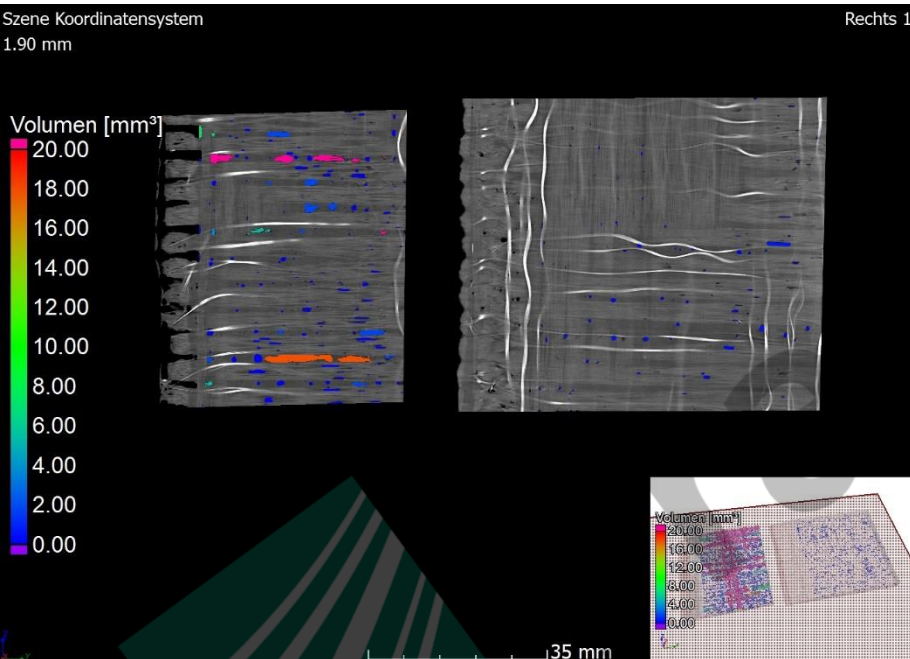
### ILSS-Test





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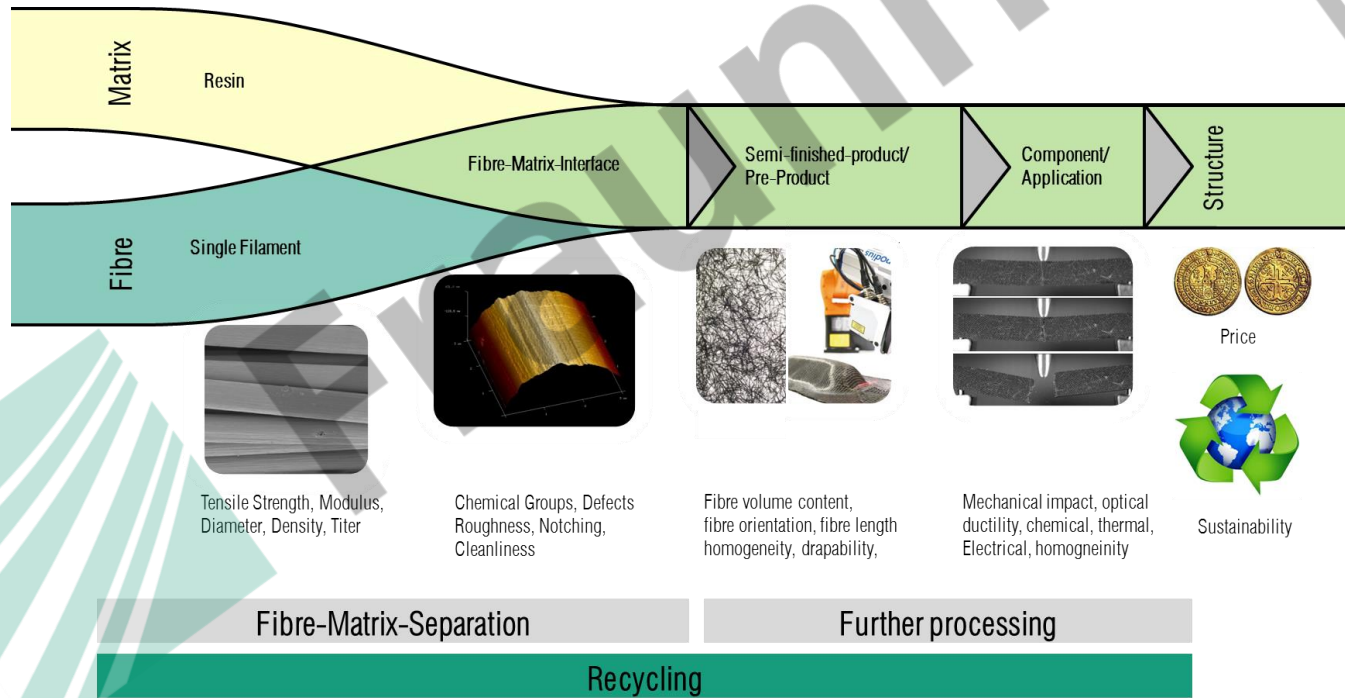
## CFRP testing – Computer tomography



# Further challenges and developments

## What is the future science?

- Online- and Inline-measurement methods have to be invented
- Industry 4.0 and „Big-Data“ - management

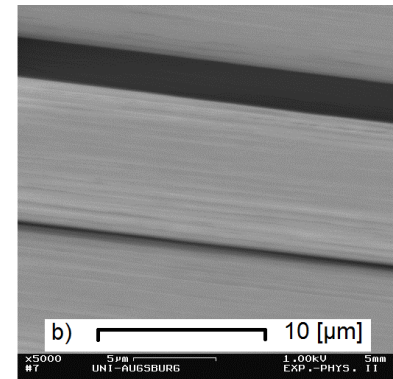
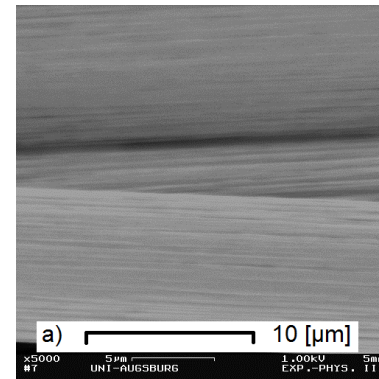




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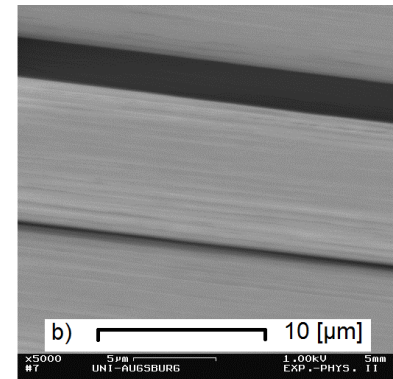
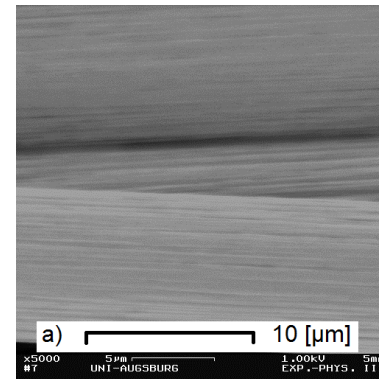
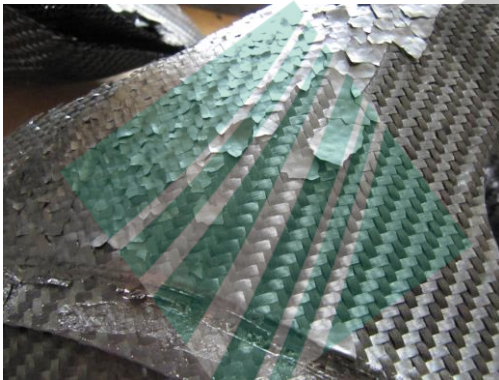
- We need characterization technics to describe the properties of rCF materials
- We need characterization technics to ensure a steady and good quality of rCF-(Production)
- We need characterization technics to determine process relevant data (permeability, drapeability, simulation tool)



# SUMMARY

## CURRENT STATUS AND PERSPECTIVE

- Some characterization methods are capable for recycled carbon fibres
  - Some methods have to be adapted
  - Others have to be invented
- Further research necessary to insure the quality of rCF-Products and to evaluate new markets



# Recycling of CFRP – Characterisation and properties

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