Studies on Conductivity and Dielectric Properties of PEO/PVP Nanocomposite Electrolytes for Energy Storage Device Applications

M. T. Iliev¹, H. K. Koduru^{1,2}, D. Karashanova³, N. Scaramuzza^{2,4}
¹ Georgi Nadjakov Institute of Solid State Physics, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria, ozo@phys.uni-sofia.bg
² Department of Physics, University of Calabria, Rende (CS), Italy
³ Institute of Optical Materials and Technologies, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria
⁴ CNISM Unit, Molecular Biophysics Laboratory, Department of Physics, University of Calabria, Rende (CS), Italy

Keywords: Complexed polymer blend electrolytes, $NaIO_4$ salt, TiO_2 nanofillers, Ionic and electrical conductivity, Dielectric properties.

Investigations on Sodium-ion conducting polymer blend electrolyte systems based on PEO/ PVP, complexed with $NaIO_4$ salt and TiO_2 nanofillers were presented in this report. The complexed polymer blend electrolytes were prepared in the form of dimensionally stable and free-standing films by conventional solution cast technique. Micro Raman and XRD studies confirmed the miscibility between PEO and PVP and the complexation of the salt with PEO/PVP polymer host. TEM measurements were carried out to evaluate size & distribution of the dispersed TiO_2 nanofillers. Complex impedance spectroscopy in the frequency 1 Hz – 1 MHz within the temperature range from room temperature to 343 K. Ionic conductivity of blend electrolytes increased with the increase of TiO_2 nanofillers concentration. Electrical conductivity and dielectric properties of $NaIO_4$ salt complexed blend PEO/ PVP/ Na^+ electrolytes were analysed as a function of TiO_2 nanofillers concentration [1, 2].

References

- K. Vignarooban, R. Kushagra, A. Elango, P. Badami, B. E. Mellander et al., *Current trends and future challenges of electrolytes for sodium-ion batteries*, Int. J. of Hydrogen Energy 41 2829–2846, 2016.
- [2] K. K. Kiran, M. Ravi, Y. Pavani, S. Bhavani, A. K. Sharma et al. Investigations on PEO/PVP/NaBr complexed polymer blend electrolytes for electrochemical cell applications, Journal of Membrane Science 454 200–211, 2014.