

# Composite Shielding Solutions EMI and RFI

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#### **Aeronautical EMC problems of electronic devices**



#### **CASE**

Between 1981 and 1987, five Blackhawk army helicopters crashed and killed or injured all on board when flew too near radio broadcast transmitters.

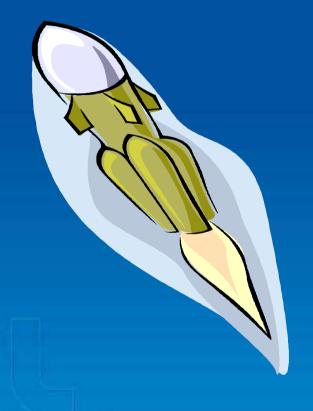
#### **CAUSE**

Insufficient immunity of flight (on-board) control electronic sub-system against high intensity radiated fields (HIRF) that produced uncommanded movements while flying past radio broadcast towers.

(Source: NASA Reference Publication 1374 July 1995)



#### Missile EMC problems of electronic devices



During a B-52 missile interface unit test, an un commanded missile launch signal took place. One of the contributing factors was crosstalk in the systems wiring. The outcome was a year long redesign and test effort.

(Source: NASA Reference Publication 1374, July 1995)



#### Medical equipment EMC problems of electronic devices



Modern medical equipment has experienced EMI problems. From 1979 to 1993, the FDA received over 90 reports concerning EMI problems in the field. It was pointed out that users experiencing medical equipment performance degradation might not suspect EMI as a possible cause. Thus, EMI problems are more likely to be under-ported to the FDA.

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#### Medical equipment EMC problems of electronic devices

Publicity was given to electronic pacemakers, or aircraft and air traffic navigational control systems, but it is only a 'tip of iceberg'.

It was pointed out by many researchers that users experiencing equipment performance degradation often do not suspect EMI as a cause, and thus a number of EMI problems are never registered.

There is an unprecedented proliferation of electrical devices and electronic controls in almost every aspect of human life.

Life of individuals and functioning of the society is increasingly dependent on errorless functioning of numerous systems:

Emergency telecommunication systems

Air, maritime, land transportation systems,...

Safety systems, etc., etc, ...

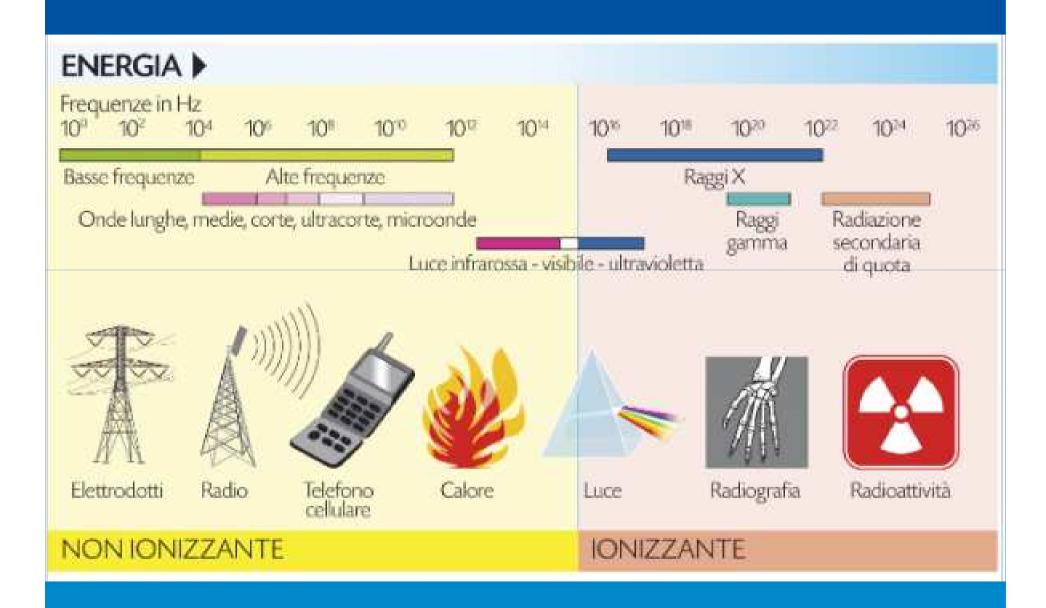
Most of such critical systems are controlled by electronic sub-system hardware and/ or software.

Whilst electronic controls ("intelligence") bring many benefits, they also suffer from peculiar performance/ reliability problems

EM interference is one of major problems related to performance and reliability common to all electronic technologies .

## **EM SPECTRUM**

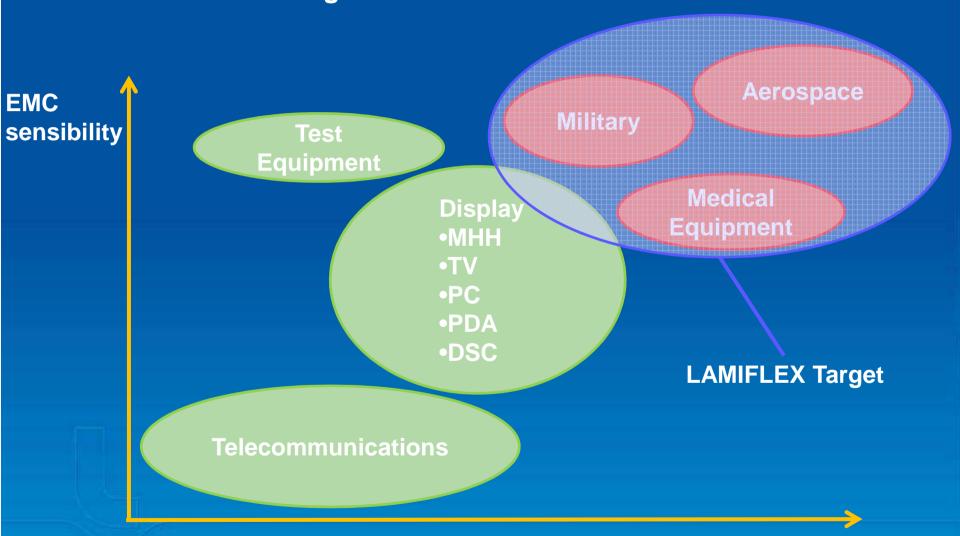




## **EMC SEGMENTATION**



**EMI and RFI Shielding Solution** 



**Devices complexity** 

## MARKET AND ELECTRONICS REQUIREMENTS

The electronics devices and the cable for electrical connection don't offer in many installation a security for the range of new sources involved out side from Telecommunication and other power magnetic generation. In this condition with the new increasing transformation of structure from metal to composite, have offered more vulnerability to many devices.

The scope to use the fabric metalized in a combination of the composite are the best solution to reduce the interferences from out side or inside to out side.

The use of NICKEL as metal over the textile structure is a guaranties for the electrical surface resistivity of the composite, because the use of copper is one of the best problem for the reduced conductivity because of the rust and the salt humidity present near to the sea.

With the new metal treatment deposition with ZINC now we offer also a new way to improve the surface conductivity and more stability on strong weather condition

We can offer

From 45dB up to 90dB attenuation level from 1 Mhz to 18 GHz

Stability of the surface conductivity

Flexibility in design

Weight reduction in comparison to the metal mesh

## **PARTNERSHIP**

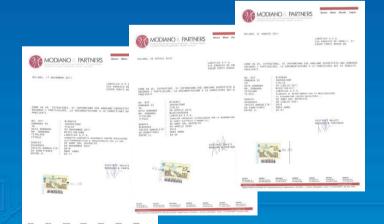


#### **Innovative EMI and RFI Shielding Solution**

With the innovation of Lamiflex, in shaping the composite material, and the cooperation agreement signed with Soliani EMC, a company active in making fabrics and materials shielding / metallized, new solutions are born with EMI and RFI shielding.







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PCT Pending
Shieding EMI RFI pre preg

Patent MI2011A001986
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Lightweight Pultruded Shielded EMI RFI Conduit

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Lightweight Shielded EMI RFI Conduit

## LAMIFLEX Group



#### **A Family Company**

Lamiflex produces advanced composite materials for use in a wide range of industrial applications. The company has developed next generation EMI and RFI shielding solutions that combine high surface conductivity across broad range frequencies with the light weight, design flexibility, and cost advantages of composite materials. Lamiflex's shielding materials include a family of semi-manufactured pre-impregnated materials based on nickel, zinc, gold and silver in reinforced polyester, glass Nomex, carbon and epoxy resin. The company also produces customized, finished parts based on these composites that can be adapted to any geometric solution. Lamiflex's composites have industrial and military applications in many sectors, including aerospace, telecommunications, automotive, undersea systems, and electronics.











#### **Lamiflex Technology:**

R&D
Physical Chemistry Laboratory
Clean Room
X-Ray Chamber
CNC

#### **Lamiflex Capability:**

Pre-preg Machine
Stepped Press
Multi-Compartment Press
Wrapping
Pultrusion – Pullwinding
Autoclave
RTM Resin Transfer Molding

## **APPLICATIONS**



#### Synergies at work

Lamiflex combines the characteristics of shielded materials and those of composite materials by creating a new components that combines the advantages from both sectors.

#### **FEATURE of shielded materials**

- High electrical conductivity on the surface
- Wide range of types of fabrics for a high coverage of the frequency spectrum

#### **FEATURES** of composite materials

- optimization of the weights
- versatility of feasible geometries

Creating a deposition of metal as Nickel or Zinc around the single filament after weaving with polyester fibers, carbon, Kevlar, Nomex ....

Carry a quantity of metal for various applications to improve the physical-chemical properties of the surface.

Through this sinergies innovative materials and components can be realized: Pre-preg Panels, Shielded Ducts, Customized Shape...







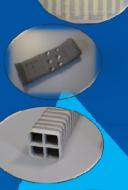
New applications where the imagination can wander...

LAMIFLEX GROUP
TECHNOLOGY FOR COMPOSITES EVOLUTION

**Optimum for interiors Panels and ducting** 

**Heating behaviour** 

High coverage of the frequency spectrum for high shielding behaviour



Shielded/Conductive Pre-Preg & Fabric Excellent dimensional stability

**Weight saving** 

High electrical conductivity on the surface

Customized material features on demand

**Corrosion and Chemical Resistant** 

**Design flexibility** 



Material processable with different technologies













## **FARADAY Pre-pregs**



#### **FARADAY** family

Lamiflex can transform any conductive dry fabrics in pre-preg materials using:

FARADAY P Polyester reinforcement

FARADAY N Nomex reinforcement
FARADAY G\* Glass reinforcement

FARADAY C\* Carbon reinforcement



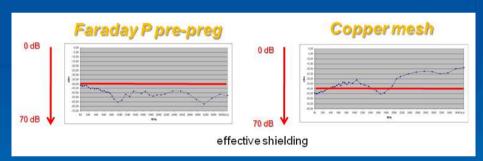
Metal: Nickel - Zinc medium - Iov

Tack: medium - low Gel time at 130°C: 14 ± 3 minutes

Volatiles: <1%

Length: 300 m max





ROHS	fabric pre-preg g/m <sup>2</sup> g/m <sup>2</sup>		height mm	metal content g/m²	Superficial Resistance mΩ/cm²	
FARADAY P_N	60	110+/-10	550	10	125-250 (*)	
FARADAY HC P_N	100	200+/-10	550	40	20-30 (*)	
FARADAY G	275		550	40	200-300	
FARADAY N	110	270+/-10	500	30	85-150 (*)	
FARADAY C	240	320-/-10	500	40	85-150 (*)	

Customized grammages are available for more than 300ml.

(\*) few unit of  $m\Omega/cm^2$  are achievable changing metal content.

## **MAXWELL Pre-pregs**



#### **Maxwell family**

The introduction of *metal yarn (Monel alloy) in the warp and weft* in the fabric allows a greater amount of maintaining flexibility and deformability of the fabric, keeping lightness compare with full metal structure.

This material can also be used for shielding applications at lightning

Color: Grey

Metal: Nickel - Zinc
Tack: medium - low
Gel time at 130°C: 14 ± 3 minutes

Volatiles: <1%

Length: 300 m max



COMPLIANT	fabric g/m²	pre-preg g/m²	height mm	metal content g/m²	Superficial Resistance mΩ/cm²	
MAXWELL P	200	320	550	10	125 -250	



Customized grammages of are available for more than 300ml

## **Ducts**



#### **Ducts with EMI shielding characteristics**

Lamiflex produces shielding elements mainly with tubolar shape

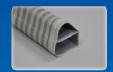
ROHS

- Composite structure with internal spiral with variable stiffness
- Conductive external fabric
- Plate cut with composite rigid ring
- Realization of M/F or F/F joint type
- Ultra light weight
- Better installation by flexble solution
- Better shielding from 1 up to 103 MHz



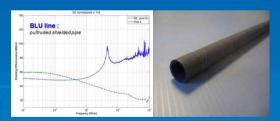
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**Multisection Ducts** 





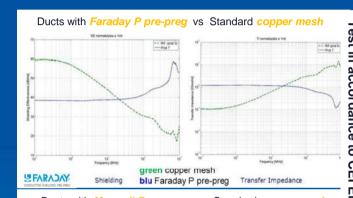


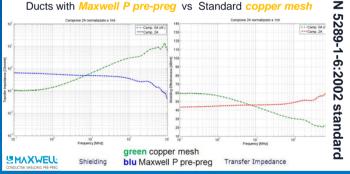


**Rigid Duct** 



Flexible , ultra flexible and mixed ducts







## **Panels**



#### **Composite Conductive Panel VS Aluminum Panel**

- Shielding between 60dB and 100dB
- 4 layers of Faraday P-N gives an high shielding beahviour in the HF range (more then 80dB)
- Maxwell pre-preg gives an high result also with only one layer





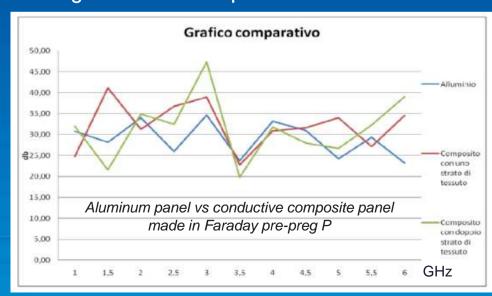


Antenna from 1 to 6 GHz

All panels materials are approved accordingly to FAR 25.853

#### **STRUCTURE**

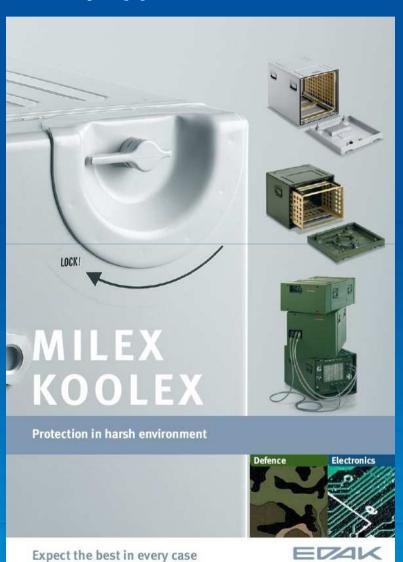
Glassfiber-Carbonfiber epoxy composite structure 30% lighter than metal panels



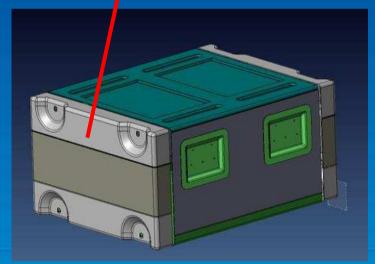
## Box

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#### **Military application**









## Test (pre-preg and composites)



**Laboratory test** 

SHIELDING TEST

**LIGHTNING TEST** 

**EMP** 

**Electro-Magnetic Pulse** 

**FAR 25.853 TEST** 

Flame retardant behaviour

**DMA TEST** 

**Dynamic Mechanical Analysis** 

PEELING TEST DSC TEST

**Differential Scanning Calorimetry** 

















Test in anechoic chamber



**Test Instruments** 



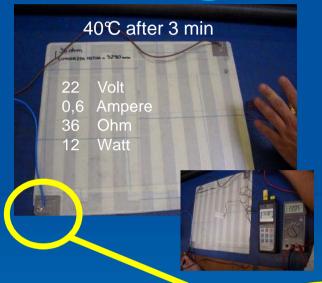
Test phase on site



Internal instruments for test

## Conductive pre-preg for Heating devices





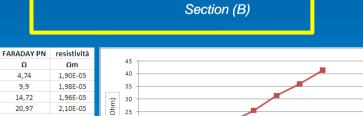
- Possibility to insert a electrical circuit with very low weight
- Possibility of heating control
- Layering on mold surface or on wing profile for de-icing application
- Energy saving
- Capability to adjust even on 3D an flexible geometries.
- Lower thicknesses
- Corrosion resistant also in saline environmental.
- Easy product customization according to specification.

Resistance =

Composite panel with electrical resistance.

Material: Faraday P-N Epoxy Glass Fiber Lenght 3,3m Resistance 36 Ohm

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L (mm)	Ω	Ωm
500	4,74	1,90E-05
1000	9,9	1,98E-05
1500	14,72	1,96E-05
2000	20,97	2,10E-05
2500	25,59	2,05E-05
3000	31,41	2,09E-05
3500	36,09	2,06E-05
4000	41,4	2,07E-05
L	mm	Length
ь	mm	Width
t	mm	Thickness
B=bxt	mm2	Section



Resistivity \* Lenght (L)

	° Re		ce = f	(L)	:	linear	beha	viour
	5 -	_						
	10 -							
	15 -							
8	20 -							
R(Ohm)	25 -							
	30 -							

Copper metal connector

## KIT FOR TEST



#### Lamiflex can provide you samples for your internal test



#### **BOX INCLUDE:**

- •CD Lamiflex with company brochure MSDS and Data Sheets
- •Little box with Soliani materials and company brochure as well (shielded honeycomb, glass and gasket)
- Pre preg
  - -2m Maxwell P Z
  - -2m Faraday P N
  - -2m Faraday N Z
  - -500mm Faraday G P\_N
- •Dry fabric (rollers around 1m):
  - -FR Faraday G P\_N
  - -D Faraday HC P N
  - -D Faraday ST P\_N
  - -D Faraday TNT1 P\_N
  - -D Faraday P\_N
- •Conductive Panel size A4
- •Heating Panel size A4
- •Envelop bag:
  - -Triaxial fabric sample : D Faraday 3D P\_N
  - -Sample of A Faraday TNT1 P N
  - -Sample of D Faraday G\_Z
- •Sample box for mobile phone test



## **Thanks**





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