

# Greenet

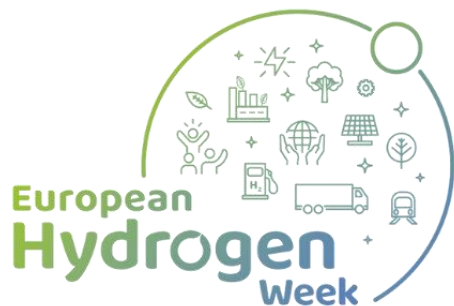


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## Novel catalysts for hydrogen evolution reaction

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# Infrastructure of IMR SAS for H<sub>2</sub> catalysts preparation



SEM/FIB – CrossBeam system AURIGA Compact



Nanospider  
NS Lab 200  
for fiber  
production



XRD diffractometer Philips X`Pert Pro with  
high temperature chamber up to 1600 °C



Transmission electron microscope JEOL JEM-2100F



DTA-DSC-TG analyzer Jupiter STA 449-F1



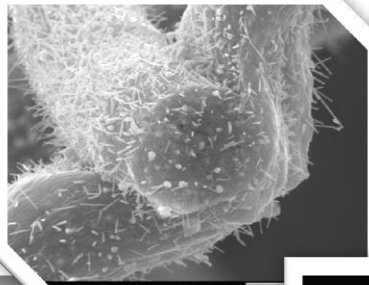
Potentiostat Vionic with RDE



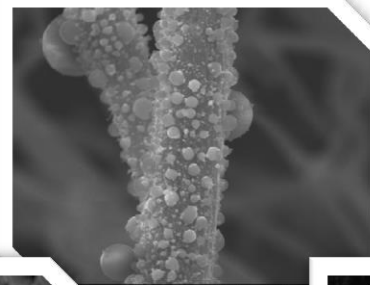
# The goal of the research:

- \* **Production of hydrogen** by water electrolysis as an alternative fuel for advanced electrolyzers and fuel cells
- \* **Preparation of electrocatalysts based on non-noble metals in the different structures and morphologies** as the main component for the membrane electrode assembly in electrolyzers
- \* **Key task:** Development of bifunctional electrode materials for hydrogen evolution reaction (HER) and oxygen evolution reaction (OER) with emphasis on low costs and high efficiency

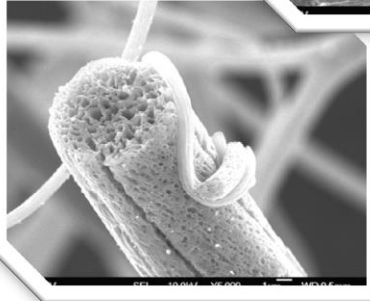
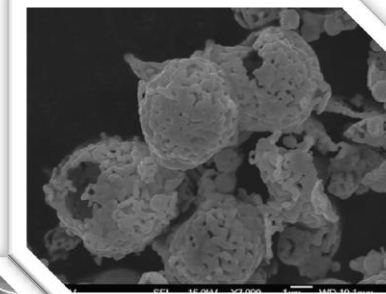
Carbon fibres with Co lames



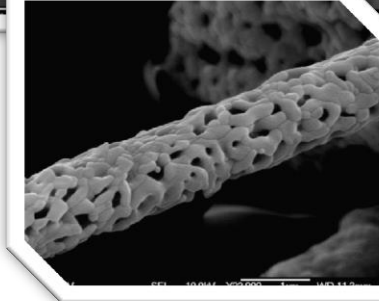
Carbon fibres with NiFeP particles



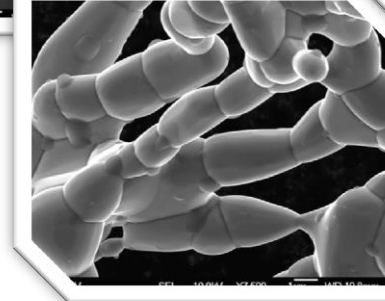
MoFeCoP spheres



Porous carbon fibres



NiCoP fibres sintered 700 °C air, 780 H<sub>2</sub>



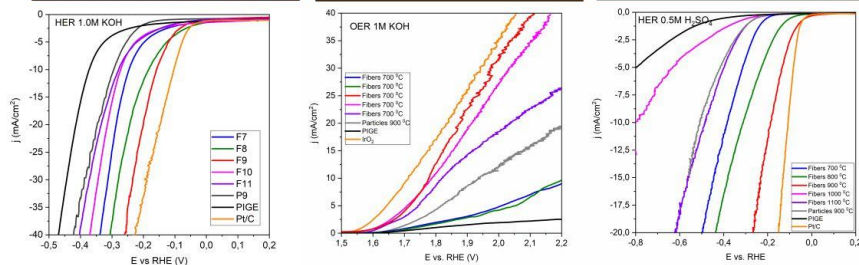
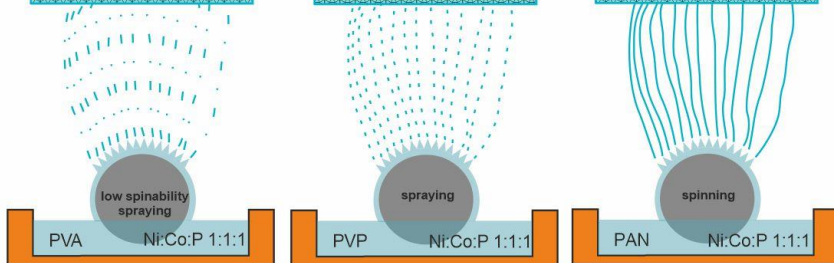
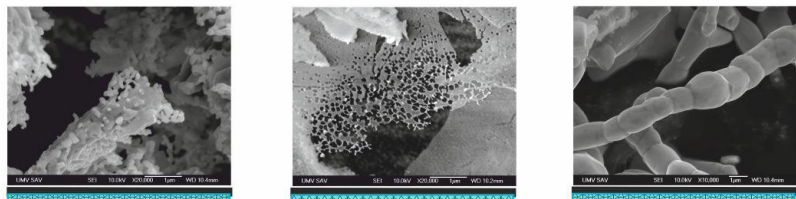
NiCoP fibres sintered at 900 °C air, 780 H<sub>2</sub>



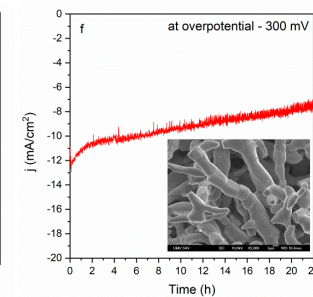
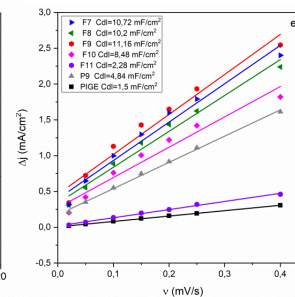
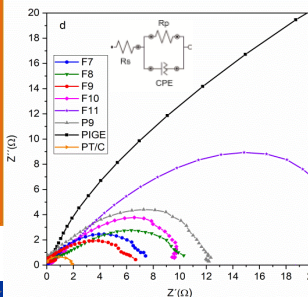
## Advantageous electrochemical parameters

### NiCoP fibers as electrocatalyst for HER

- Low overpotential
- Low Tafel slopes and high exchange current density  $j_0$
- Long-term stability at high currents
- High faradaic efficiency
- High ECSA
- Low resistance (EIS analysis)



NiCoP fibres	Drying in air (°C)	Sintering in air (°C)	Sintering in Ar/H <sub>2</sub> (°C)
<b>F7</b>	270	<b>700</b>	100/700
<b>F8</b>	270	<b>800</b>	100/700
<b>F9</b>	270	<b>900</b>	100/700
<b>F10</b>	270	<b>1000</b>	100/700
<b>F11</b>	270	<b>1100</b>	100/700
<b>P9</b>	270	<b>900</b>	100/900 lit



**Thank you for your attention**

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