

U.S. DOE MHK Composite Materials & Structures Database Webinar

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FY17 Call for Samples

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Our Program's Goal is to address barriers and uncertainty in using composite materials for MHK.



Material Design Tools for Marine and Hydrokinetic Composite Structures

Objective: Helping MHK industry reduce uncertainty in using composites in their designs

- Providing an *industry approved* U.S. DOE MHK Composite Materials & Structures Database (*open resource*): <http://energy.sandia.gov/energy/renewable-energy/water-power/technology-development/advanced-materials/mhk-materials-database/>
- Mitigating composite biofouling/environmental effects & metal-carbon fiber interconnect corrosion in saltwater
- Examining MHK load challenges on composite material & substructure performance to improve design



MHK Composites Barriers & Needs

Top Barriers Identified to Using Composites for MHK include:

- Uncertainty in materials properties and selection for component **(Short-Mid Term)**.
 - Industry wants to know if composites are the right materials to invest in? Why?
- Uncertainty in design with limited design tools & methodologies available **(Mid-Long Term)**.
- Composites reliability and maintenance (inspection, repair) is not well understood **(Mid-Long Term)**.
- Limited guidance on composites manufacture and assembly available to MHK developers (Long Term).
- Weight and transportation issues affect current designs and manufacture (Long Term).
- Materials cost will affect final design (\$/lb) (Long Term).

Short 1-5 (yrs).
Mid 5-10
Long 10-20

Top Composite Research Needs include:

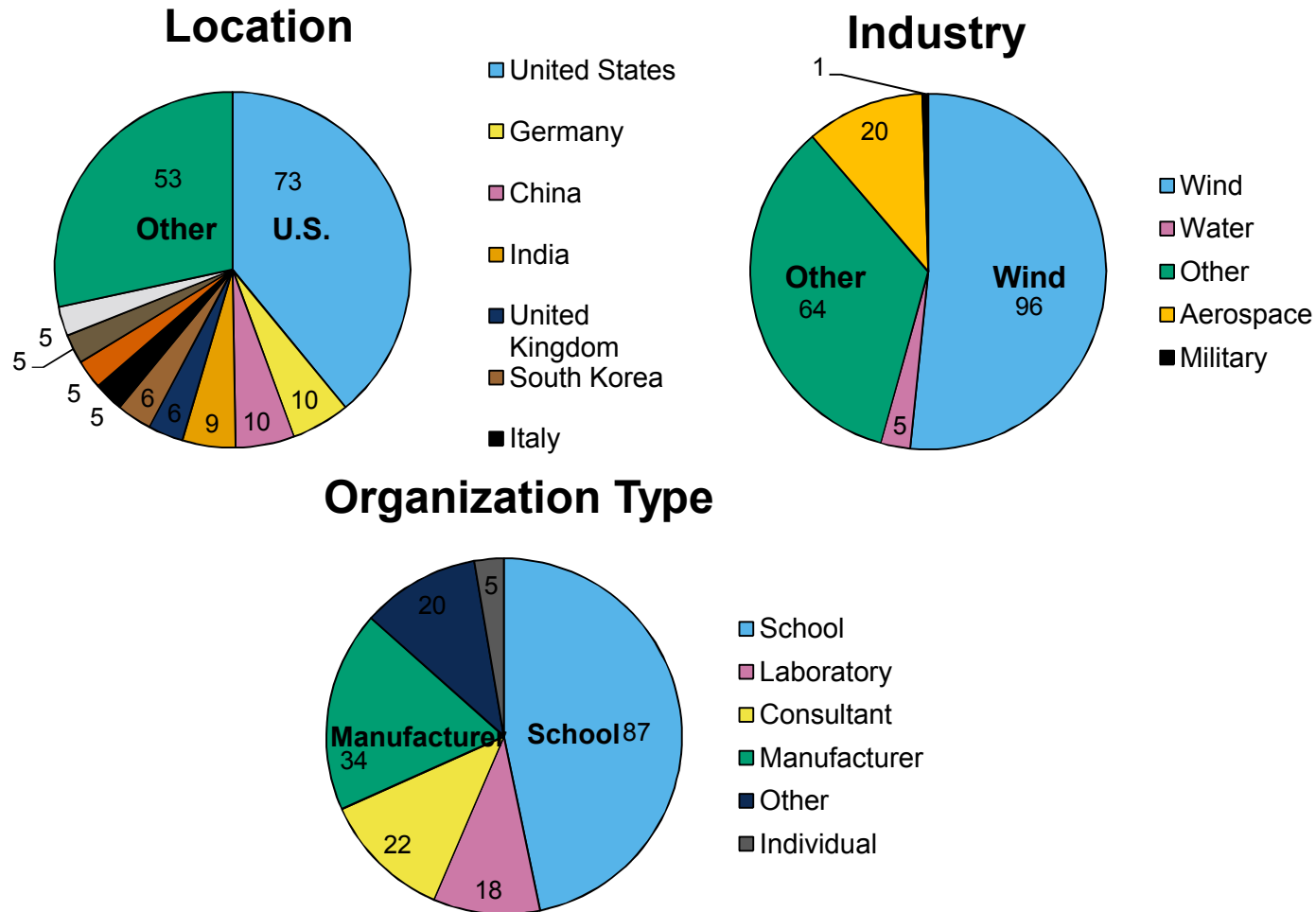
- Reduce uncertainty of materials selection by evaluating performance properties of coupons and subcomponents in artificial and actual saltwater environments (Short-Long Term).
- Evaluate MHK environmental effects on joints, seals, and fasteners of dissimilar materials in order to facilitate complex geometries and modularity (Mid to long term).
- Test component at full-scale structures to facilitate design optimization (Mid-Long Term).
- Identify failure mechanisms and damage tolerances (Short-Long Term).
- Determine the influence of the manufacturing process on the structural performance (Mid-Long Term).
- Determine what standards and certification process are needed for new materials to be employed in the MHK energy industry (Long Term).

What are others doing?

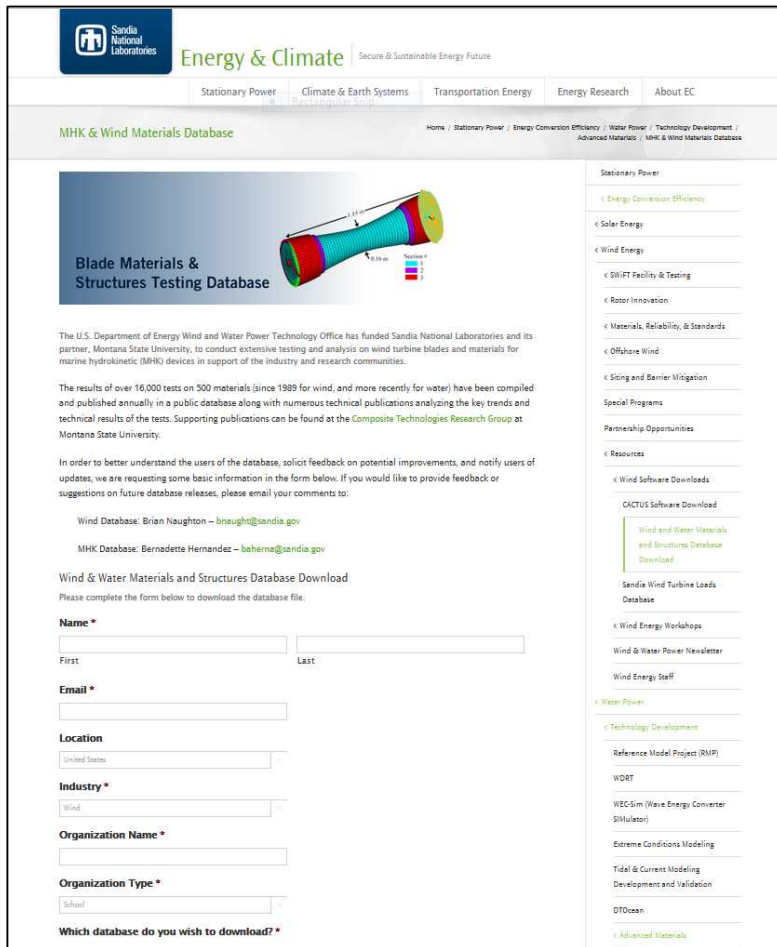
- Wave Energy Scotland: Structural Materials & Manufacturing Processes.
 - 10 awards on examining polymers, cements, hybrids (fiber composites), elastomers
 - Examining fundamental materials properties, loads, manufacture, and demonstration
- Other Composites Fiber Research:
 - influence of salt water on MHK materials properties and manufacturing using resin transfer moulding have been conducted primarily on tidal technologies.
 - combined cyclic loading and seawater diffusion on composites have been evaluated for tidal blades.
- However, there is still need to understand how coupling between cyclic loads and seawater.

The MHK Composite Materials & Structures Database was born from discovery in Wind Energy.

U.S. DOE MHK Composite Materials & Structures Database:
Benefits: Open Source, Industry Advised, Backed with Publications.



Database can be found in 2 locations online and is free for users to download.



The screenshot shows the Sandia National Laboratories Energy & Climate website. The main header includes the Sandia logo and the text "Energy & Climate | Secure & Sustainable Energy Future". Below this is a navigation bar with links to Stationary Power, Climate & Earth Systems, Transportation Energy, Energy Research, and About EC. The main content area is titled "MHK & Wind Materials Database" and features a large image of a wind turbine blade with dimensions (1.5 m, 0.16 m) and a color-coded cross-section. The text describes the database's origin, funded by the U.S. Department of Energy Wind and Water Power Technology Office and Montana State University. It mentions over 16,000 tests on 500 materials since 1989. A form for downloading the database is provided, with fields for Name (First and Last), Email, Location (United States), Industry (Wind), Organization Name, Organization Type (School), and a dropdown for "Which database do you wish to download?". A sidebar on the right lists various energy research categories like Energy Conversion Efficiency, Solar Energy, Wind Energy, etc.



The screenshot shows the OpenEI (Open Energy Information) website. The header includes the OpenEI logo and navigation links for Wiki, Apps, Datasets, and Community. Below the header is a search bar and a row of icons representing different energy sources: buildings, geothermal, hydrogen, smart grid, solar, utilities, water, and wind. The main content area is divided into three columns: "OpenEI Wiki" (linked energy information, browse by region), "Datasets" (single source data on buildings, energy, efficiency, consumption, demand, potential, and more), and "Community" (active discussions and collaboration on energy data initiatives and information brokering). Each column has a "Start a Discussion" button.

- Both the wind and water icons take you to webpages that house the link.
- Under Water Power Database and Tools

<http://energy.sandia.gov/energy/renewable-energy/water-power/technology-development/advanced-materials/mhk-materials-database/>

Call for samples to be performance tested when exposed to biofouling and saltwater.

- Coupon samples are needed for testing.
- FY17 Testing will take place at PNNL and MSU
- Developing substructure plan for FY18

Criteria for Biofouling Testing at PNNL



PNNL Marine Sciences Laboratory in Sequim , WA

Evaluate under static & flow conditions with unfiltered natural seawater.

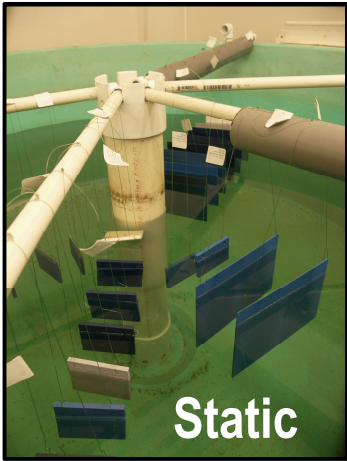
Two Tanks will be used:

1. Flow
2. Static

Short Term Testing at 3 months



Flow



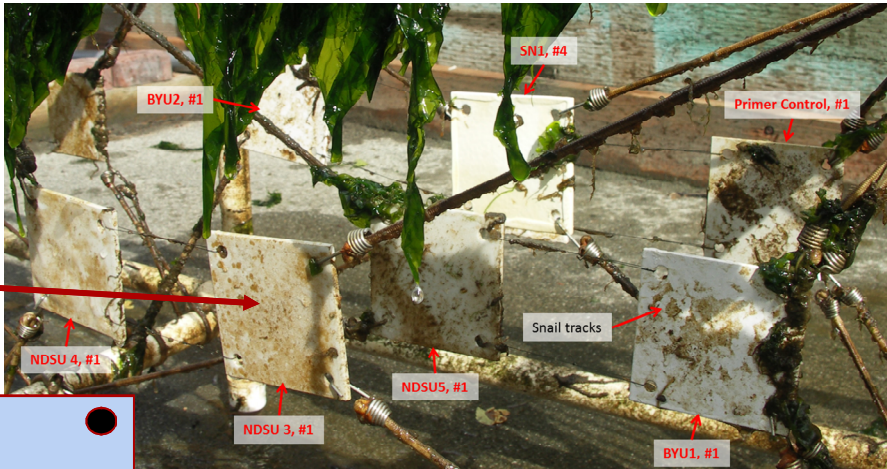
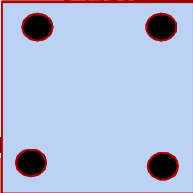
Static

Example types and Numbers of Coupons Needed

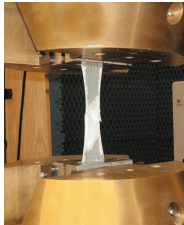


For 1 data point:
 (3) 8x8 in panels
 (3) 3x3 in
 (3) 4x4 in
 (3) 1x1 in

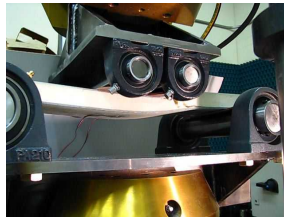
Sample geometry:
 Need hole or clips for edges



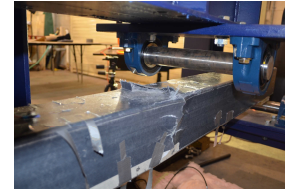
Criteria for Composite Performance Testing at MSU



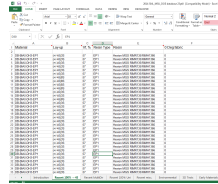
Coupons
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Structural
elements



Elements
to
Substructure

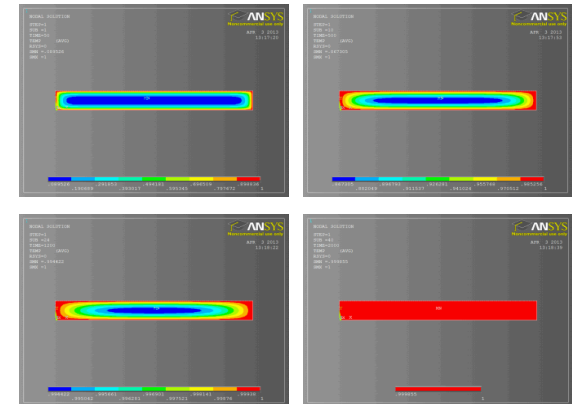


Testing
to
Dissemination



Three different conditions are of interest: 

1. Dry State
2. Artificial Sea Water (partial to full saturation)
3. Actual Sea Water (partial to full saturation)



Example types and Numbers of Coupons Needed

Static and Fatigue Testing

For 1 data point at 1
condition

(5) 8x1 in dog bone

(5) 10x1 in

Developing Substructure Testing at NREL & MSU for FY18-19

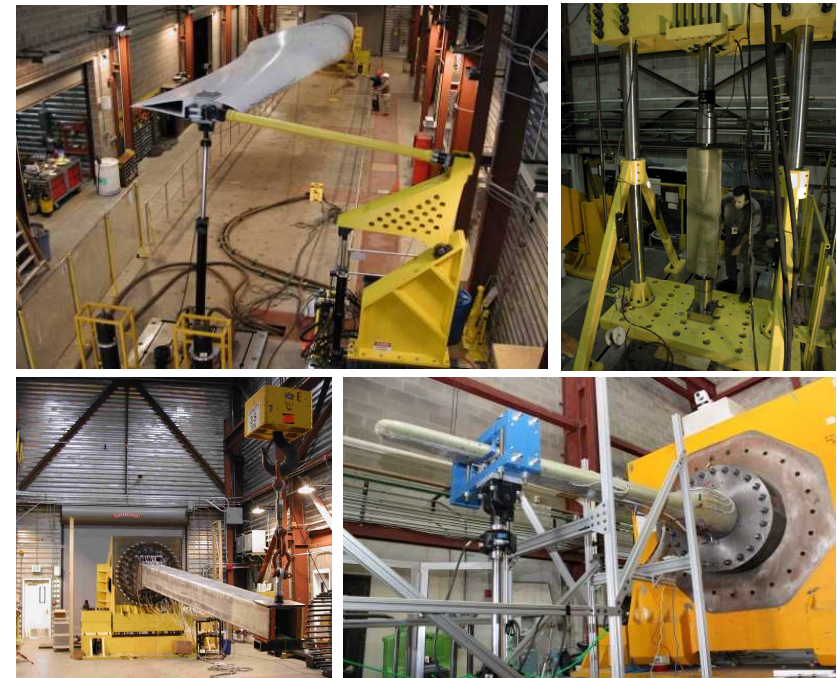
Developing test plan to examine joints, plys,and other elements of design

Three different conditions are also of interest:

1. Dry State
2. Artificial Sea Water (partial to full saturation)
3. Actual Sea Water (partial to full saturation)

- Full-scale and component testing
- Characterization, strength, and fatigue test capabilities
- 500 kN actuators, reaction stands to 17 MNm
- Extensive structural measurement equipment and condition monitoring systems

Test Frame at MSU



Important Dates and Contact Information

- Please email letter of intent by May 30th, 2017 to baherna@sandia.gov
- June 15, 2017 Collection Date for both MSU and PNNL sites.
- Samples will not be returned
- By submitting samples you agree to have data uploaded and publically disseminated in database.

Biofouling Characterization

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