

COST FP 1006 WG1 Wood Surface Modification

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- → Topics missing in this review paper?
- → Gaps in knowledge, research needs?
- → Other ideas or preferences?



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 - ⇒ Petric M (2013): Surface Modification of Wood: A Critical Review. *Rev. Adhesion Adhesives, Vol. 1, No. 2, April 2013*



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- 1 Introduction
- 2 Surface Modification Methods
- 2.1 Plasma Treatments
- 2.2 Non-enzymatic Grafting onto Wood Surfaces by Chemical Treatments Functionalisation of Wood
- 2.3 Enzymatic and Enzyme Assisted Functionalisation of Wood Surfaces
- 2.4 Sol-gel Methods
- 2.5 Modification of Wood Surfaces by Deposition of Nanoparticles



- 2.6 Chemical Modification of Surfaces and Surface Impregnation Treatments
- 2.7 Modification of Wood Surfaces with Microwaves
- 2.8 Application of Various Mechanical Treatments to Modify Surfaces of Wood
- 2.9 Thermo-hydro-mechanical Surface Treatment Methods

OVERVIEW OF MARKO'S PAPER

- 3 Target Properties to be Reached or Improved by Surface Modification of Wood
- 3.1 Improvement of Adhesion of Adhesives and Coatings
- 3.2 Wettability and Penetration
- 3.3 Resistance Against UV Radiation and Weathering
- 3.4 Resistance Against Biological Degradation Factors (Wood Pests) and Antibacterial Properties
- 3.5 Fire Retardancy, Mechanical and Other Properties
- 4 Prospects
- 5 Summary/Conclusions

137 References!



- Modification using different sources of irradiation
 - ⇒ Laser, IR, Electron beams, laser beams...
- → Layer by layer modification
- → Nanocellulose deposition
- → Washing of surfaces (cleaning, extraction)

GAPS IN KNOWLEDGE, RESEARCH NEEDS

- Characterisation of modified surfaces
- Change of properties of modified surfaces during exposure
- → Predictive models for service life of coatings (→ WG3)
- Use of biobased oils
- Combination of modification methods to achieve supplementary effects or synergies
- Densified wood in exterior application
- → End of life and health aspects of modified wood
- → Protective systems with reduced use of biocides
- **→** Fire retardant treatments
- → Anti fouling treatments for boats in sea water



- Try to involve and inform coating maufacturers
- → Conference topic on coatings at one of the next COST events