

Project Title: Plasma Surface Modification of Electrospun Materials

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Project Description:

This project will evaluate surface and physio-chemical, morphological, and microstructural properties of electrospun, thermoplastic materials from Evonik fabricated. Characterization of fabricated substrates both before and after plasma treatment will be investigated for effects. Plasma treated electrospun membranes will be analyzed for surface morphological and microstructural as well as chemical and wetting properties compared to non-treated counterparts for potential uses in biomedical applications.

Both undergraduate and graduate students will be considered for this internship.

Disciplines: Physics, chemistry, materials science, and engineering

Mentors:

The name of the main mentors at Evonik will be disclosed only to students being considered for this project. If you have any questions about the project or the hosting site, please contact the co-mentors Dr. Vinoy Thomas at <u>vthomas@uab.edu</u> or Dr. Yogesh Vohra <u>vkvohra@uab.edu</u>.

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