



V - MIEX BOOK 'ROAD TO COMMERCIALISATION'

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Welcome to Virtual-Melaka International Intellectual Exposition 2022 (V-MIIEX 2022). It is an honour for me on behalf of UiTM Melaka Branch to thank all of you for joining the programme and we are proud to inform you that this is the 12th year consecutively, UiTM Melaka Branch is organizing this exposition.

V-MIIEX 2022 is a platform to improve the commercialization collaboration among industries and communities and at the same time, we also give the opportunity to academicians and students to share ideas and increase their potential innovation products with the industries and communities through their projects. This exposition also serves as a platform to cultivate and upload the nation's innovation culture by presenting new ideas and research by young people, especially from academia, universities, college, high schools, and primary school students.

The economy and development of the country faced a challenging phase in 2021 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We faced changes in business, education, society, and lifestyle. However, the pandemic proved to be a blessing in disguise as it somehow gave people ideas which would be beneficial to improve their lifestyle and solve problems that might occur in the future. Besides, the new digital landscape also inspires more innovation and new ideas that contribute to various activities such as business and industries. As a university that encourages the "Research, Innovation and Commercialization", this exhibition is organized to encourage more commercialization of products that are beneficial to scholars, industries, and communities to tackle such issues to improve our present and future life.

Since 2009, UiTM Melaka Branch has successfully become the organizer for this innovation exposition. We are not only successful in organizing the exposition, but I would proudly say that we have also successfully embarked on commercialized products. With the number of participants for this year's exhibition, we believe that more commercialized products will be produced in line with the theme for this year, "Road to Commercialisation".

This exposition would never happen without dedication, teamwork, and commitment. A round of applause should be given to the committee teams as the backbone of this exposition. Their hard work, effort, and time made this exposition possible.

Finally, I would like to conclude this brief remark by thanking all the participants and stakeholders for joining the exposition, we hope that this collaboration never ends here.

Thank you.

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It is a great pleasure to welcome all the participants and presenters to the Virtual Melaka International Intellectual Exposition (VMIIEX 22). I am delighted that through this periodic event, we managed to bring together scholars and professionals from various fields to engage through this virtual platform where ideas and breakthrough are discovered and leveraged for commercialization potential.

Since 2009 UiTM Cawangan Melaka has held twelve Invention and Innovation Design competitions and this year we are very honoured to have the second year of VMIIEX organized in digital platform. This has proven that despite the global challenges due to the recent pandemic, it is never an issue for UiTM Melaka to continuously organize this yearly prestigious event and to support the ministry's aspiration in leveraging creativity and innovation in the new norm.

VMIIEX 22 is organized with no sole objectives of accomplishing the University's KPI but instead we are determined to make this programme as the place to help heighten commercialization collaboration in research and innovation with the industry and community through joint exhibitions from various external organizations.

Our aspiration is to also provide exposure and opportunities to academic staff as well as students from public and private universities to engage in direct excellent scholarly activities with the industry and community through activities that can be measured and assessed. As for the Research and Industrial Linkages Office of UiTM Melaka, this exhibition is seen as the platform that can encourage active collaboration and knowledge transfer with industries; objectively to support various activities that will benefit all stakeholders from the various government agencies, local and international universities, industries and communities.

Through the theme of "Road to Commercialization" this year, V-MIIEX 22 is committed to have this event as a boulevard to inspire and cultivate creativity and innovation to the numerous levels of inventors through exposure on latest technologies, astonishing ideas and creative designs with great potential to be commercialized. For this year, we proudly introduce a special category which is the "Endemic Challenge" as the provision to the government of Malaysia's goal of moving towards the endemic.

To ensure that the competing products in this exhibition is not exclusively for the purpose of competition, V-MIIEX 22 is dedicated for the commercialization of highly potential innovation products, which is attained through its active collaboration with tailored needs industries. The commercialization effort was not for income generation purpose only but it aimed to spearhead the development of quality products in line with industrial needs and community benefit.

Therefore, it is a great honour for me on behalf of the Research and Industrial Linkages Office as well as the organizing committee to have all participants in this competition and I would like to express my highest gratitude especially to the Rector of UiTM Melaka and all strategic partners and sponsors for supporting the event.

To finish, I sincerely wish VMIIEX 22 a remarkable success. I believe that this will not be the only collaboration between UiTM Melaka and the respective partners and linkages, but a beginning of a long and fruitful cooperation in future.

Thank you very much.

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Assalamualaikum and Warmest Greetings.

It gives me an enormous pleasure, on behalf of the organizing committee to welcome all participants and presenters to the Virtual -Melaka International Intellectual Exposition 2022 (VMIIEX '22) with the theme "Road to Commercialisation". We are honoured and glad to welcome all participants to this biennial event.

This is the second time that we have organized this biennial event virtually. V-MIIEX 22 is an innovation competition, in which, innovation products, ideas and systems related to various science and technological fields are exhibited as a solution for the presented problems.

V-MIIEX22 expectantly will be a platform that gathers experts from academies, scientists, and researchers, locally and internationally, to contribute towards the growth of scientific and technological knowledge in each participant's specialisation and expertise.

The competition also serves as a platform to give fresh exposure to the various level of inventors, as well as to encourage the culture of innovation design focused on latest technologies and related to new norms technologies and inventions due to COVID-19.

V-MIIEX 22 is also hoped to be an avenue for gathering and disseminating the latest knowledge on ideas and acquisition of innovation among the participants. It is hoped that the competition will be able to open the mind of the participants towards latest technologies and design. It is also in line with the government's aspiration to encourage innovation activities in Malaysia.

As a final note, I would like to congratulate my fellow committee members for their tremendous effort, which have been critical to the event's success. In addition, I would like to thank our co-organizer, event sponsors and supporters. Optimistically, we wish that all new knowledge that is discovered, invented, or innovated will drive towards our future sustainability.

Thank you.



The world after COVID-19 is unlikely to return to the world that was. Despite the challenging pace during the pandemic, the strong rebound is expecting in this exciting year 2022. Malaysia is welcoming the great prospects ahead with positive impact on the country's economy and development. Hence, the hope for greater opportunities motivates for more creative thinkers to come up with innovative ideas that can be put forward to be harnessed to overcome similar problems in the future. V-MIIEx 2022 is one of these platforms which contribute relevant ideas that could help communities of all walks of life cope with this pandemic.

UiTM has identified research, innovation, and commercialization to be among the core components and strategic effort towards becoming a well-known and prominent university. Aside from realizing this goal, with these components and efforts, fostering the development of knowledge, generating financial stability of the university, and producing knowledgeable academicians are also potentially achievable.

By having invention and innovation competition yearly, UiTM Cawangan Melaka is confident that it could further enhance creative and innovative abilities among staff and students. In support of the government notion which upholds the importance of innovation, UiTM Cawangan Melaka has taken the initiative of organising the Virtual Melaka International Intellectual Exposition (V-MIIEx).

In instigating and nurturing the continuous culture of inventing and innovating, this event is an ideal platform for lecturers, administrative staff, students, and the public to showcase and commercialize their products or prototypes as well as novel ideas. The first IID which was held nationally in UiTM Cawangan Melaka in 2009, has successfully gathered and displayed more than 37 inventions and innovations. Accordingly, to continue this strong passion towards inventing and innovating, the IID competition should be continued and celebrated.

With that, the Division of Research and Industrial Linkages will be organising its 12th IID competition, the Virtual - Melaka International Intellectual Exposition (V-MIIEx 2022) with the theme, 'Road To Commercialisation'. V-MIIEx 2022 hopes to welcome 200 competing products to be showcased and commercialized, at the same time, attract attention of related and matching industry.

Objectives

- 1. Encourage and instill passion towards inventing and innovating among UiTM Cawangan Melaka staff, students and academicians of local and international higher education institutions;
- 2. Highlight distinguished talents of skillful inventors and exhibit intellectual products, inventions and innovations among local and private tertiary institutions, government and private agencies, including international participants;
- 3. Become an effective Business Matching platform for participating research products, matching industries and partnering government agencies;
- 4. Recognise, inspire and promote invention and innovation products to be patented and commercialized;
- 5. Increase passion towards inventing and innovating through research and boost interests of government and non-government agencies to obtain consultancy services from a line up experts of higher education institutions and UiTM Cawangan Melaka.

Utilization of Residual Soil from Landslide as an Absorbing Material in The Production of Anti-Microwave Bricks

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Abstract

Wireless technology plays a key role in today's communications and has become a crucial component in our daily life and brings a lot of positive effects such as; increased mobility, better communication, improved productivity, and allow access to real-time information. However, excessive usage of this technology has increased electromagnetic pollution which poses negative effects on electronic devices and human health. Therefore, to solve this problem, it is important to develop electromagnetic absorbers or anti-microwave materials. In this study, bricks were designed and fabricated as innovative anti-microwave bricks. Brick is a basic and the most used construction material all over the world and cement is the most important raw material for its production. For the innovative anti-microwave bricks, residual soil from landslide was used as partial cement replacement. The objective of this study is to investigate the residual soil as a radiation absorbing material in the production of innovative anti-microwave bricks. Residual soils are widely used as a construction material since it is easily available and economical. NRL Arch free space method was used to determining the absorption performance of the innovative anti-microwave bricks in the frequency range between 1 to 12GHz, at three different angles which are; 0°, 30°, and 60°. The absorption performance of the bricks is shown in the graph of absorption (dB) versus frequency (GHz). The measurement result shows that the maximum absorption of the innovative anti-microwave bricks is -22.45dB at a frequency 2.4GHz. This can be concluded that the residual soil from landslides can be used as a radiation absorbing material.

Keywords: Residual Soil, Landslide, Radiation Absorbing Material, Anti-Microwave Bricks

1. INTRODUCTION

The rapid development of wireless communication technologies brings great effects to human life. However, the excessive usage of these technologies has caused serious electromagnetic pollution. The research on electromagnetic absorbers or anti-microwave materials that are used to eliminate unwanted electromagnetic radiation has gained a lot of interest (Zhao et al., 2019)(Redlarski et al., 2015). There are various types of materials that have been used as absorbing materials in the production of electromagnetic absorbers such as carbon-based

materials and agricultural wastes. In this study, residual soils from the landslide were used as absorbing materials. Brick was designed and fabricated as an anti-microwave brick.

Concrete bricks are the most popular construction materials around the world and play an important role in the development of civilization. The consumption of concrete as construction material in the world is over twice the total consumption of other construction materials including plastic, wood, and steel. The properties of the concrete such as; produce high strength, durability, and affordability make concrete the most popular and first choice for most construction purposes. However, concrete production has several negative effects on the environment such as the emission of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. Moreover, construction waste from the demolition of the concrete structure produced another environmental effect. Therefore, research on natural renewable resources to replace cement has gained a lot of attention (Boudali et al., 2019)(Kharber et al., 2017).

Residual soil is formed from rocks that undergo weathering process and is usually found in tropical areas. Soils can be grouped into two categories depending on the method of deposition namely; residual soil and transported soil. Residual soils are soils that formed from weathering of parent rocks and remained at the place where it was formed, while the transported soils are those soils that have been moved from their place of origin. The method of transportation and deposition has a significant effect on the properties of the soils. Therefore, residual soils can have different characteristics from transported soils (Alias & Properties, 2019)(Alias & Properties, 2019). In this study, the residual soils that have been taken from the site undergo several processes which are; oven-drying at 110°C for 24 hours and a crushing process to obtain a suitable texture to be used as a raw material in the production of bricks.

2. OBJECTIVES

The main objective of this study is to investigate the residual soil as a radiation absorbing material in the production of innovative anti-microwave bricks. In order to achieve the main objective, sub-objectives are formulated as below;

- i. To characterize the composition ratio of the residual soil as an absorbing material for anti-microwave bricks.
- ii. To analyze the absorption performance of the innovative anti-microwave bricks in the frequency range of 1 to 12GHz.

3. NOVELTY AND INVENTIVENESS

The contribution of this study will be a novel and pioneer finding in terms of the studies and analysis in anti-microwave materials. The fundamental finding from this study can serve as the gauge for advance microwave absorption research.

4. PRACTICALITY AND USEFULNESS

This research will enlighten society about the benefits of residual soil form landslide and indirectly promote the study of material from natural resources. This will open the door for more research applications using residual soil in the production of microwave absorbers. In terms of economic, growth can be achieved when the microwave absorber and also the construction materials are produced by using inexpensive and natural resources material, at the same time without affecting the ecosystem.

5. CONCLUSION

In the era with the development of modern technologies, almost all tasks were done using smart system and technologies. Therefore, protection such as anti-microwave material is needed to protect humans from radio unwanted frequency radiation. In this study, brick was designed and fabricated as an innovative anti-microwave bricks by using residual soils from landslide as absorbing materials. The residual soils have showed huge potential to be used as absorbing material. Based on the free space measurement result, innovative anti-microwave bricks produced maximum absorption performance of -22.4016dB at the given frequency ranges. From this study, it can be concluded that the residual soil from landslide can be used as absorbing materials in the production of anti-microwave materials. Furthermore, the absorption performance could be further improved by adding carbon-based materials since in general carbon materials are very good absorbent of microwaves. In order to benefit from the advantages of residual soils in the production of anti-microwave materials and also in construction industry, further experimental studies should be conducted.

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