Smart Textiles Based on Innovated Encapsulated Solutions

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Smart multifunctional textiles containing PCM (phase change material) thermoresponsive systems were prepared and evaluated. Microcapsules with siloxanebased polymeric wall and PCM core (dodecanol-laurate) were synthesised by in situ emulsion polymerization process with the dry content of 12% in total and PCM 7,72% content in the water-based capsules suspension. By DSC analysis the basic characteristics like transition temperature 22-30°C and latent heat 131,6 J/q of the capsules incl. the onset decomposition temperature > 200°C were determined. The PCM microcapsules suspension thickened to 76% (50,1% PCM core) was applied on 3D polyester knit surface by coating technique (knife against roller) for preparation of smart thermoregulation / thermoinsulation textile structure. The PCM coated layer was localised strictly on the 3D knit surface without any penetration in the air-gap thermoinsulating structure. Herewith the combination of thermoinsulation and thermoregulation properties was achieved. The heat transport properties were tested by thermocamera and contactless thermometer.







3D knit with blank coating





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