

Reusable RF Electrodes

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Figure 1. Product Development [1]

Problem Statement

Project Scope:

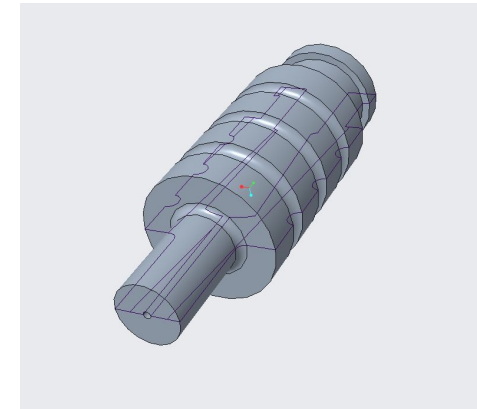
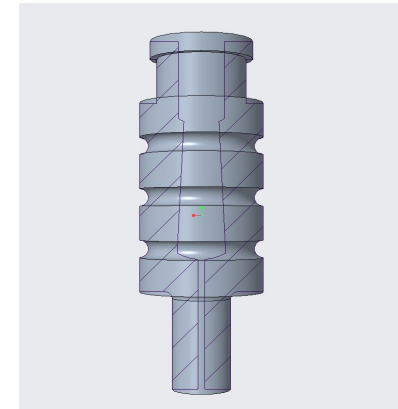
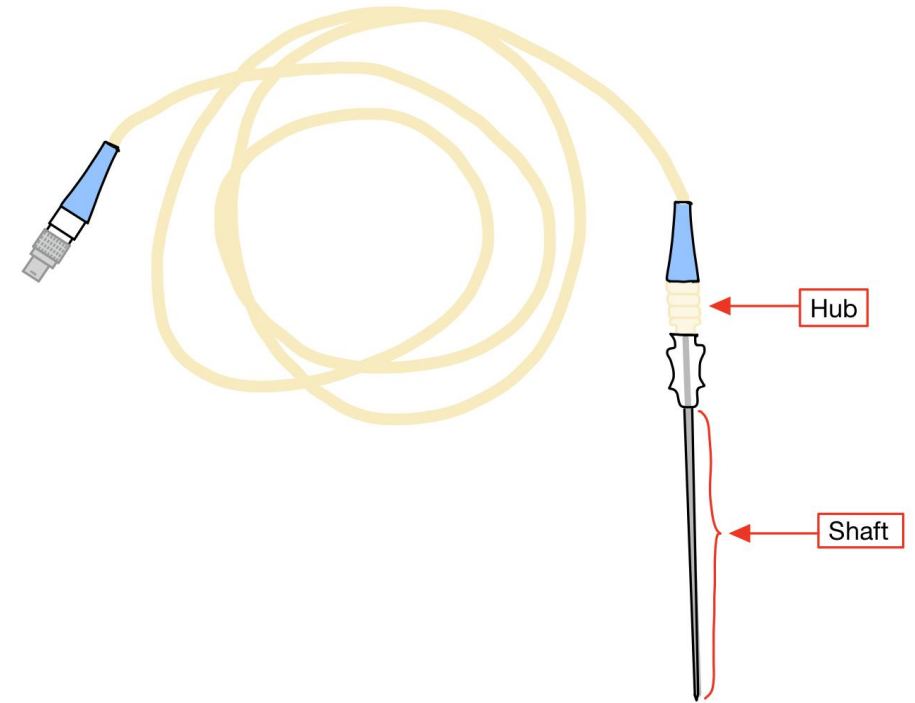
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Customer Needs:

1. Biocompatible Materials
2. Withstand at least 100 uses
3. Propagate RF signals (2 Hz - 460 kHz)
4. Measures temperature
5. Repeated sterilization
6. Repeated procedure stress
7. Production cost less than \$200
8. Pass FDA approval

Final Concept

- 304 Stainless Steel shaft
 - + Biocompatible
 - + Cost effective
 - + RF propagation
- PPSU (Polyphenylsulfone) Hub material
 - + Virtually unlimited steam sterilization (>1000)
 - + Better chemical resistance than PET
 - + Biocompatible
 - + Already in use in the medical field
 - Higher Cost



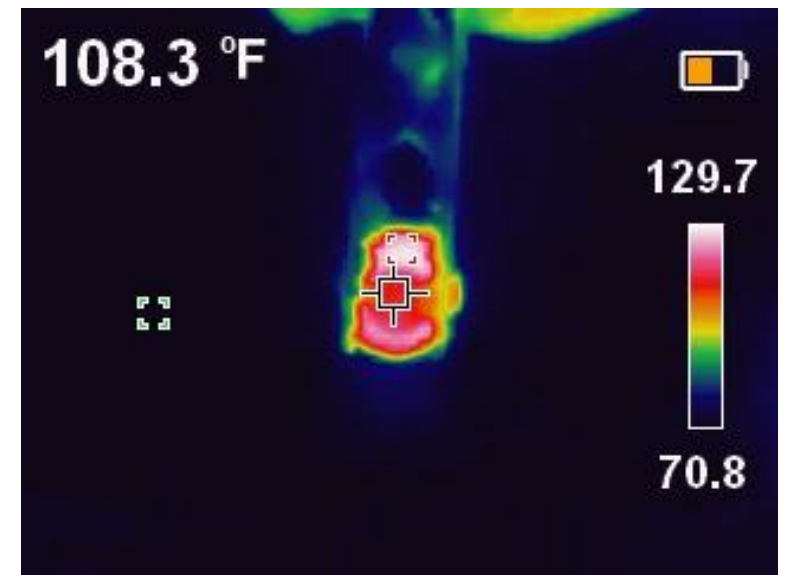
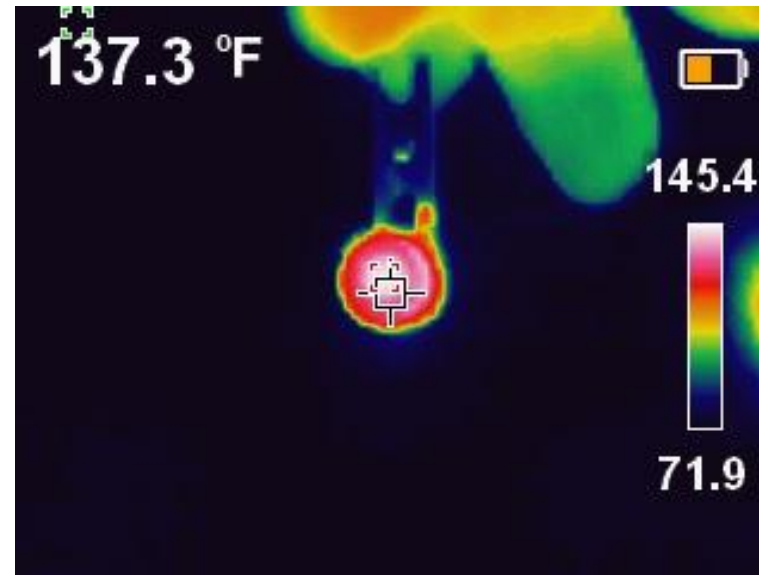
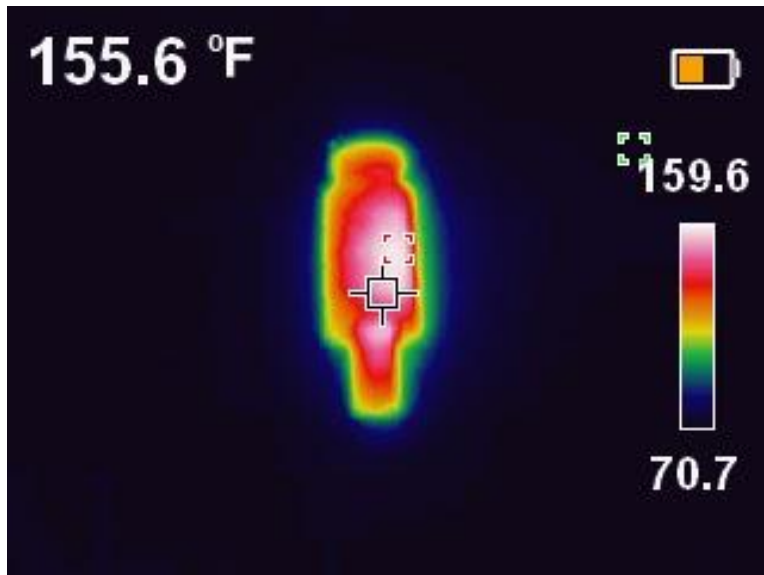
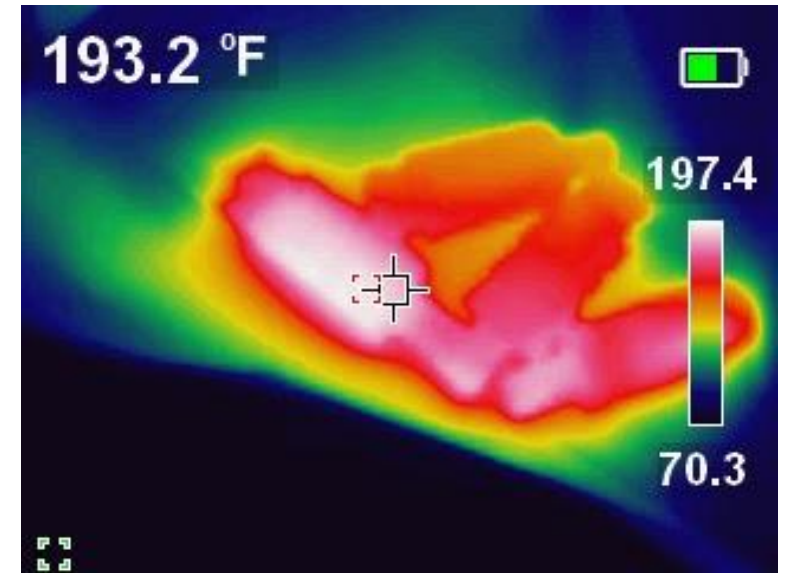
Current Work

- Completed Chemical Enzyme (Medline Dual Enzymatic Detergent) and Autoclave cycling
- Mechanical Stress Testing



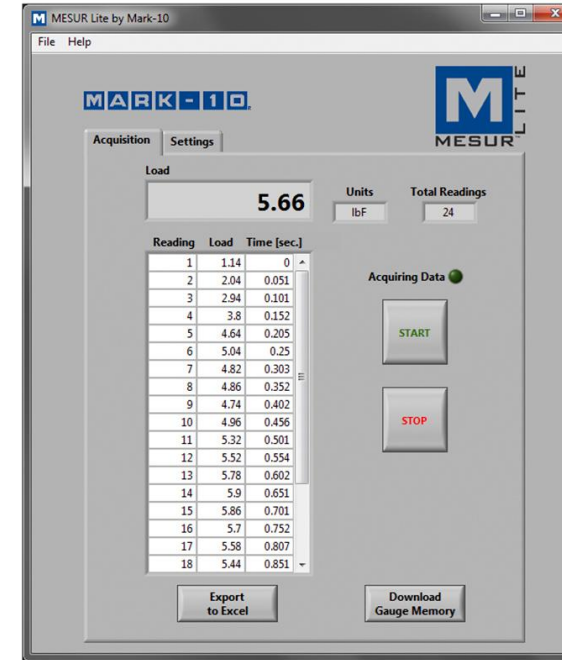
Current Work

- Thermal Camera (Klein Tools TI250)
- Areas of higher temperature in the hub
- Hypothesize that epoxy holds heat longer

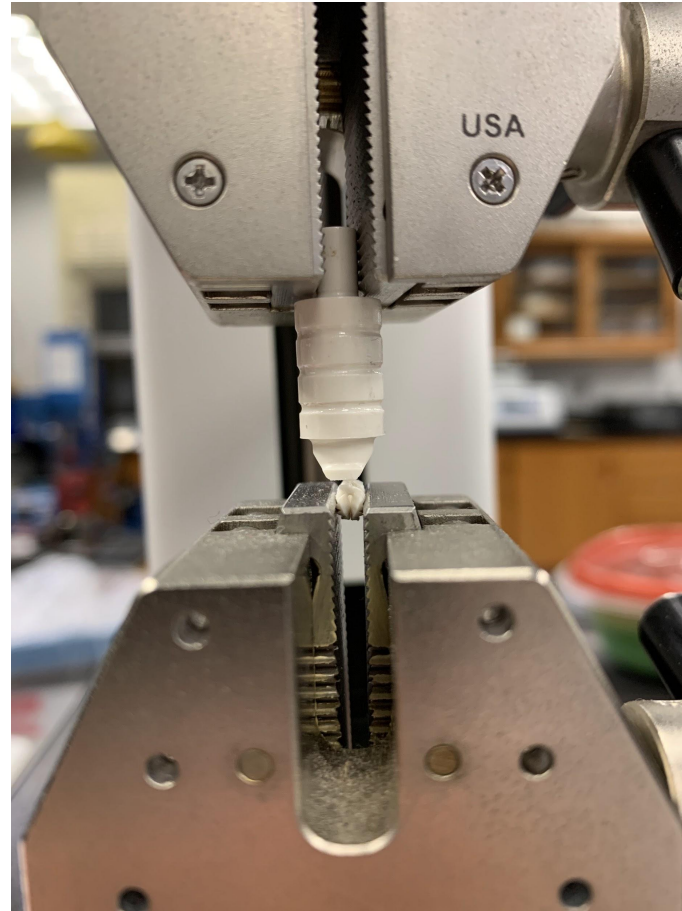


Stress Testing

- Autoclave Sterilization
 - Chemical Enzyme (30 mins)
 - Sterilization cycle at 132°C (4 ~ mins)
 - 5 - 15 cycles
- Mechanical Stress Testing
 - Force Test Stand (MARK-10 model ESM301)
 - Software: MESUR® Lite by MARK-10



Mechanical Stress Testing



Mechanical Stress Data

- Cross-sectional area taken at thinnest diameter of the device (for stress calculation)
- Strain rate 2 mm/min

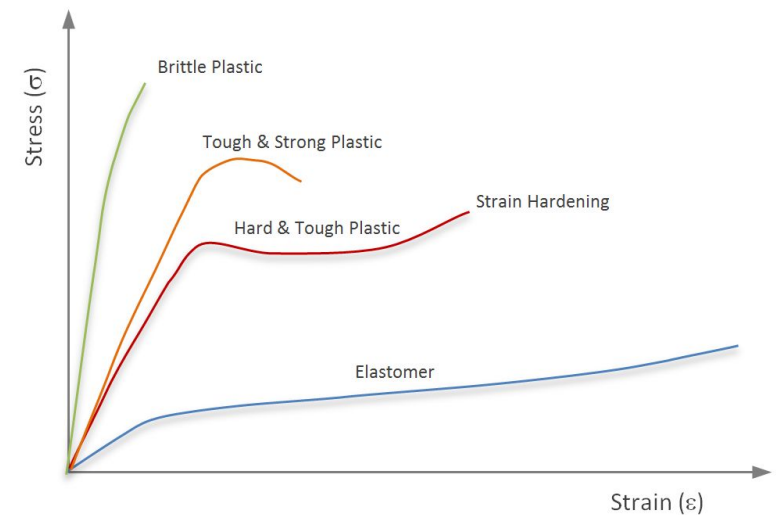
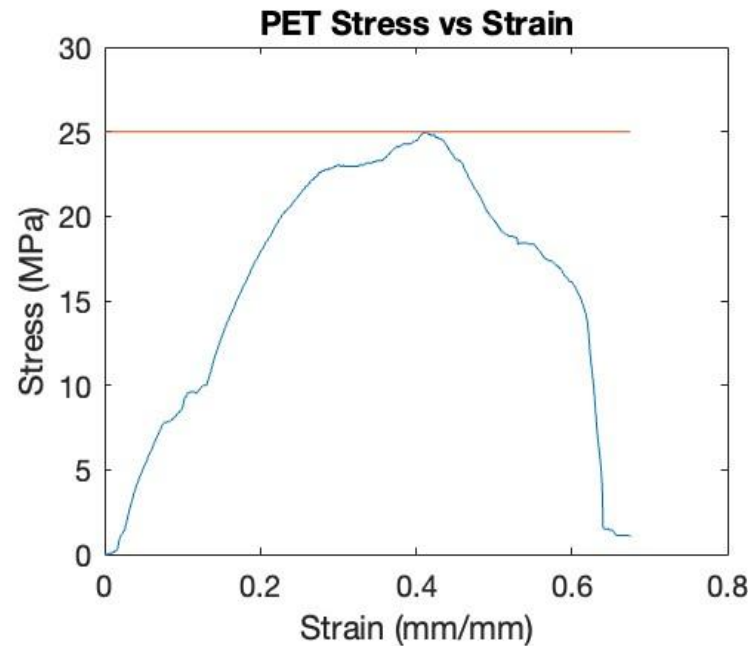
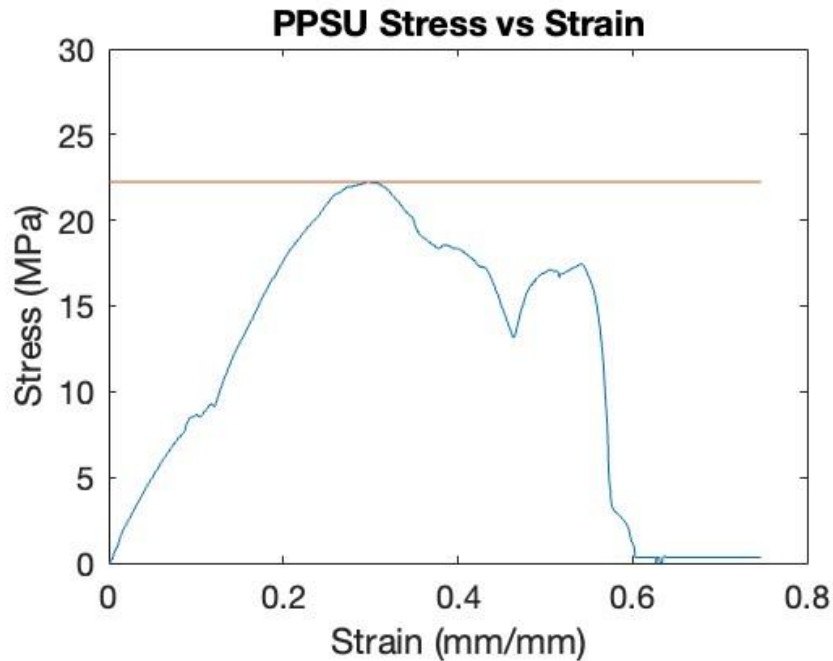


Figure 3. Stress-strain Behavior of Polymers [3]

Future Work

- Continue *modified* mechanical stress testing
- Perform final data analysis
- Prepare for Design Day



Figure 4. Business Handshake Collaboration [4]

Summary

- Sponsor: Abbott Laboratories
- Product: Reusable RF Electrode
- Use: RF ablation for chronic pain
- Prototyping
- Quality Assurance Tests
- Future Plans

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Figure 5. Problem solving techniques [5]

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Questions?



Figure 6. Customer Insight [6]

Mechanical Stress Data (extra)

- Raw data from MESUR® Lite given in Load (N) and Time (sec)
- Strain rate is 2 mm/min

Strain = $(2[\text{mm/min}] * \text{Time}[\text{sec}]/60) / (\text{total length} [\text{mm}])$

Stress = $\text{Force}[\text{N}] * \text{area}[\text{mm}^2]$

For area, we took the smallest diameter (4[mm]) of the prototype as our cross-sectional area diameter.

Broken Hubs

