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Open Access CAD, EM tools, and examples for teaching microwaves

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- Visualising the invisible using simulation tools catalyses the understanding of physical phenomena among students and young engineers
- Teaching approach frequent at universities and increasingly accepted in industry
- Strongly dependent on accessibility of teaching releases of commercial simulation software
- Typically restricted to university usage
- Hinders invaluable simulation-supported education at companies



Objectives

- Increasing the accessibility of the results of publicly co-funded research - the desirable outcomes of EC funded R&D projects
- Fostering interdisciplinary collaboration
- Development of simulation tools with a focus on open access modelling platforms - open innovation environments

The *modelling platforms* are foreseen to *implement research results* of the projects' consortia and *deliver them for the usage of a wide scientific community*, including *universities* as well as *industry*.

*Findable***A***ccessible***I***nteroperable***R***eusable* data



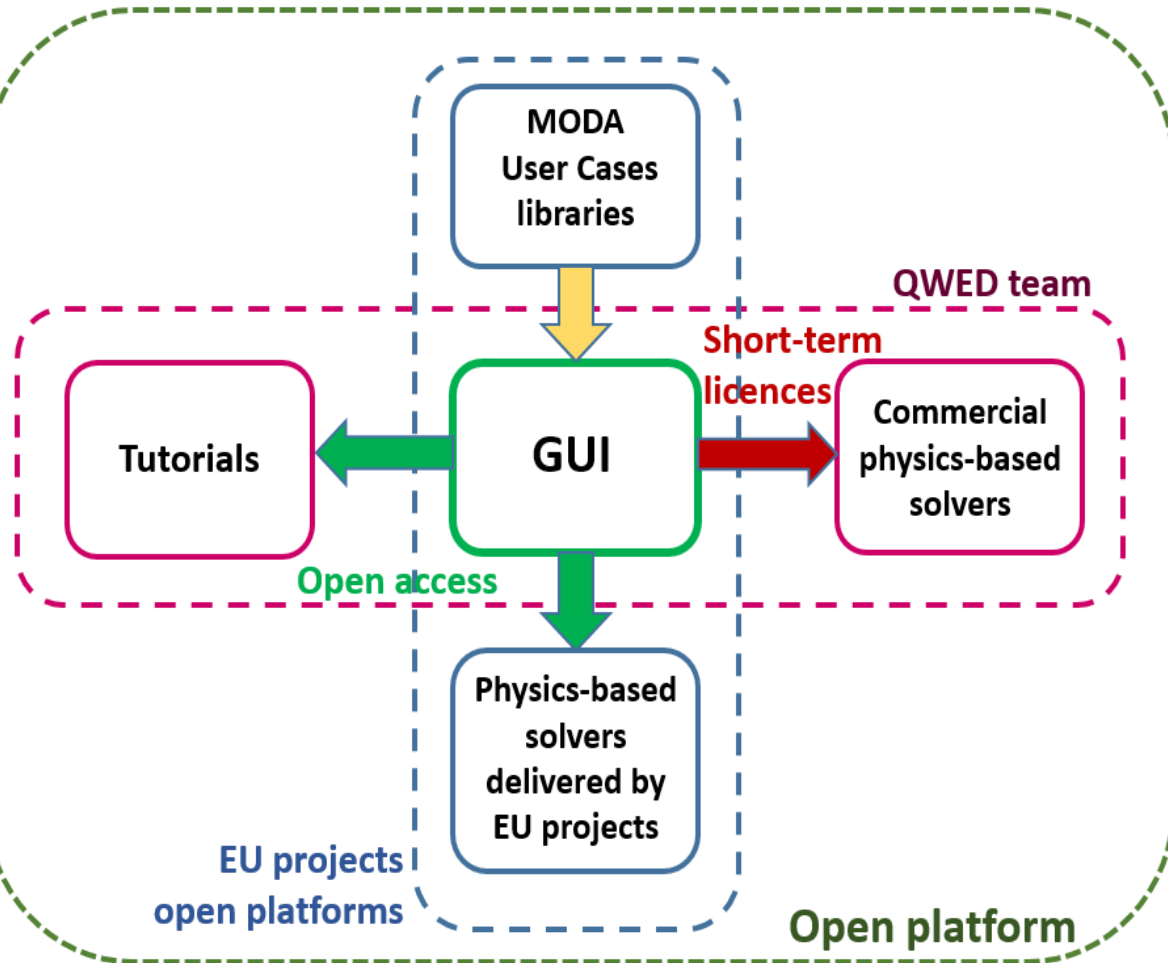
Long-term goal

- Developing a common GUI, linked with different simulation tools and a database of examples
- Easy and continuous learning and skills enhancement process
- Elimination of expensive time overheads related to familiarising with different user interfaces
- Convenient way of
 - solving various types of coupled and linked EM and multiphysics problems
 - robust cross-comparison of different solvers.
- Delivering open access modelling tools, spanning across different science domains,

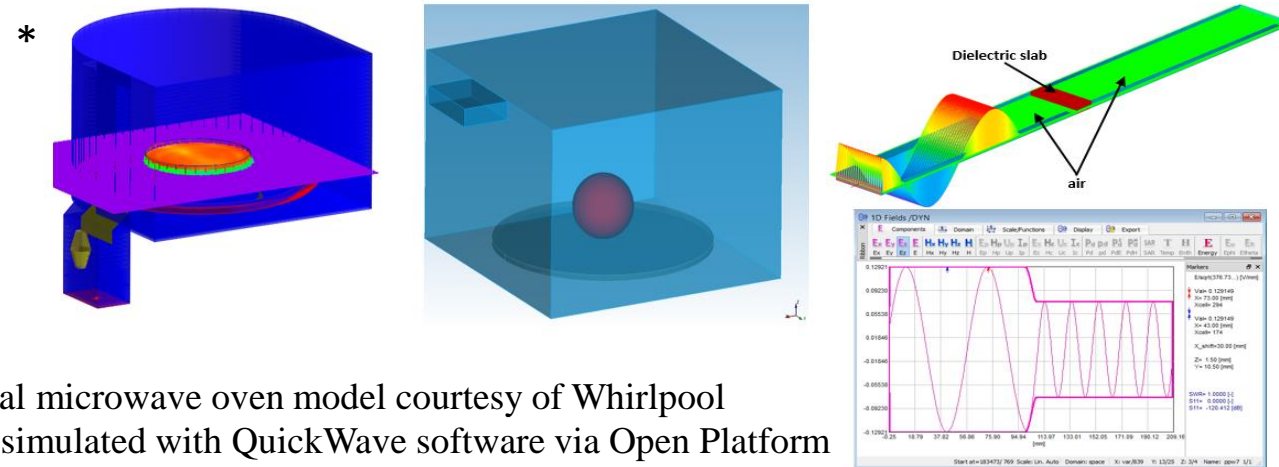
Encouraging different scientific groups to link their solvers to the Open Platform



Open Platform environment concept



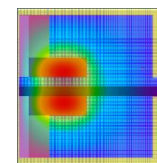
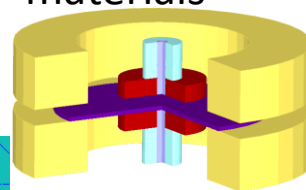
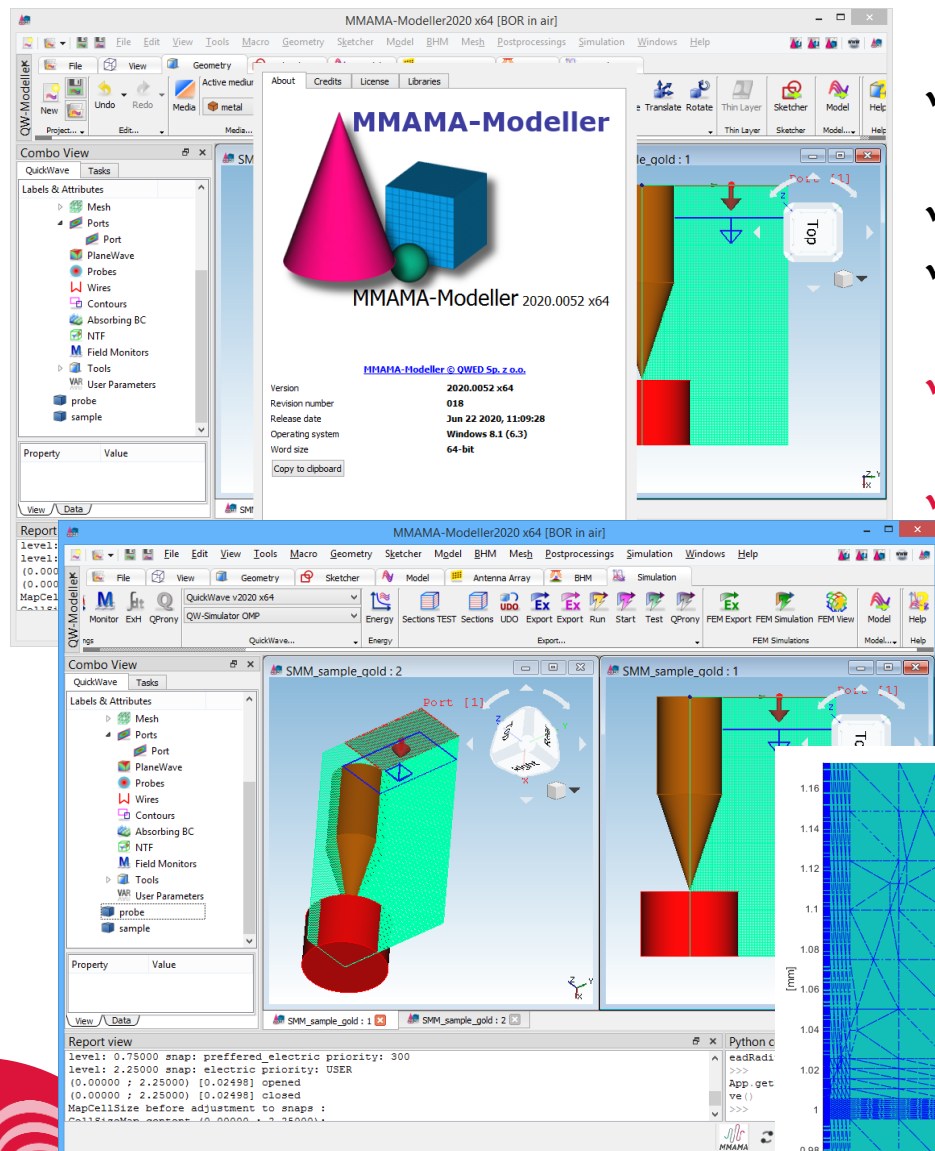
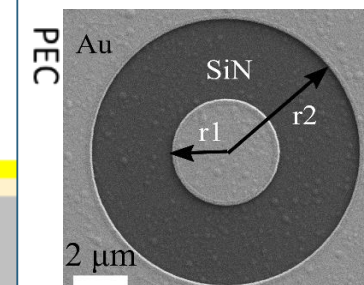
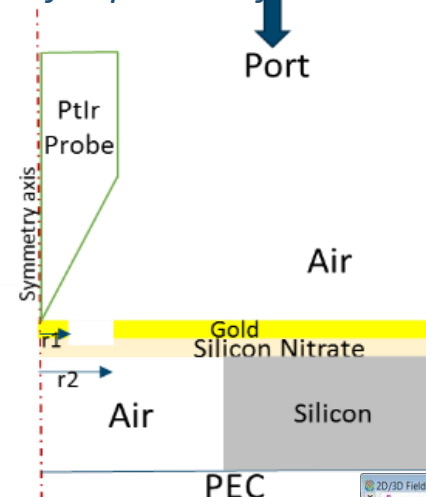
- ✓ **Interoperable, licence-free, time-unrestricted CAD-based GUI**
- ✓ **Tutorials** – teaching and project's results dissemination
- ✓ **Library of modelling examples** – also documented in EC supported MODA format
- ✓ **Physics-based solvers** - solvers coming from EU projects or other initiatives, willing to provide their tools as open-access.
- ✓ **Commercial solvers** – linked through reading and processing the data in text files exported by GUI. This creates a unique capability to run full-power simulations of examples created in the free-to-use GUI.



* Commercial microwave oven model courtesy of Whirlpool Sweden AB simulated with QuickWave software via Open Platform

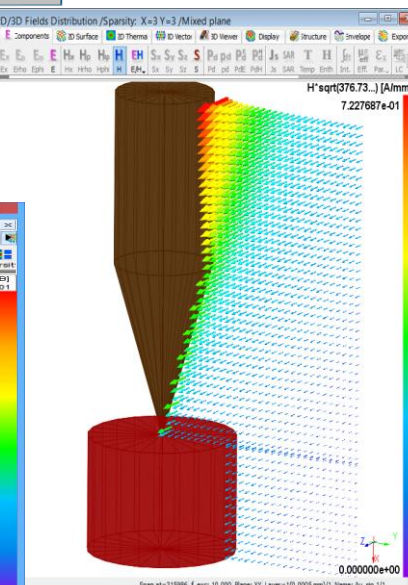
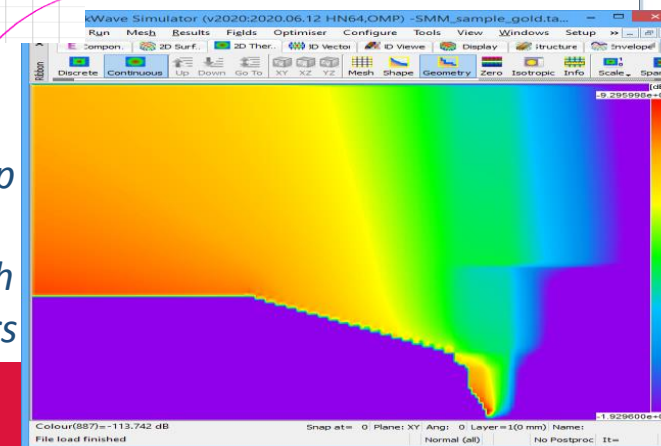
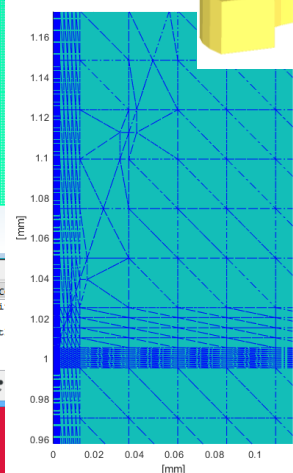
- ✓ Developed within EU H2020 MMAMA project
- ✓ Microwave microscopy of materials e.g. **organic semiconductors**
- ✓ MMAMA Modeller
- ✓ Dedicated to modelling scenarios with **axial symmetry**
- ✓ **FDTD** and **FEM** EM solvers by QWED and ETH Zurich
- ✓ **Coupled EM and Poisson-drift-diffusion** analysis for semiconducting materials

SMM tip applied to extraction of capacitance of capacitors fabricated by METAS



SPDR resonator for characterisation of semiconducting materials

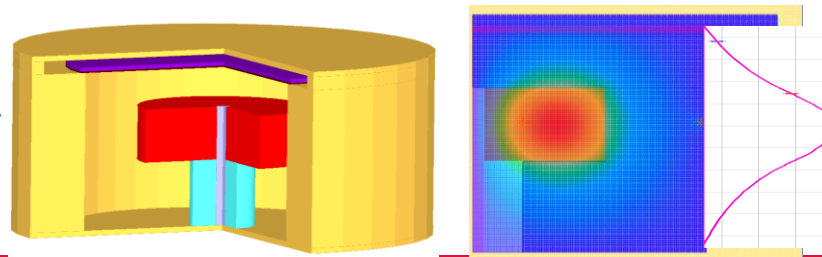
Scanning Microwave Microscopy (SMM) tip applied to dielectric material analysis with FEM and FDTD solvers



Moving further - Horizon Open Platform

- Creating Open Innovation Environment with various access rights (open access, licenced access to commercial tools, etc.)
- Extending current Open Platform with number of solvers, from various science domains
- EU H2020 NanoBat project – extending capabilities of current MMAMA Modeller with features enabling:
 - ❖ Launching open-access solvers concerned with battery modelling
 - ❖ Simulation-based calibration of measurement test-fixtures dedicated to battery materials, e.g. electrolyte, solid electrolyte interphase (SEI), graphene anodes, etc.
 - ❖ Heat transfer analysis in battery cells, incl. reversible heat
 - ❖ Coupled EM – electrochemical analysis of battery cells

SiPDR for measurements of graphene anodes of battery cells.



aims to develop a novel nanotechnology toolbox for quality testing of Li-ion and beyond Lithium.

Moving further - Horizon Open Platform

- Linking to European modelling communities such as European Materials Modelling Council (EMMC):
 - ❖ Extending features of the Open Platform GUI allowing for **multi-scale multi-physics material analysis** from the **electronic level**, through **atomistics** and **mesoscale** to **continuum modelling** (and possibly also **data-based** modelling)
 - ❖ **Coupling and Linking** task group proposed within *Model Development* and *Interoperability Focus Areas*
 - ❖ Setting up a collaboration with **Materials Modelling MarketPlaces**

The screenshot displays the EMMC website. The top navigation bar includes links for EMMC, MEMBERS, ACTIVITIES, NEWS, EVENTS, JOBS, FORUM, and a CONTACT button. A 'Log In | Register' button is also present. The main heading is 'The European Materials Modelling Council'. Below this, a paragraph states: 'The non-profit Association, EMMC ASBL, was created in 2019 to ensure continuity, growth and sustainability of EMMC activities for all stakeholders including modellers, materials data scientists, software owners, translators and manufacturers in Europe. The EMMC considers the integration of materials modelling and digitalisation critical for more agile and sustainable product development.' A 'Log In | Register' button is located at the bottom left of this section. To the right, a 'Focus Areas' section is visible, featuring six icons and their corresponding descriptions: Model Development, Interoperability, Digitalisation, Software, Impact in Industry, and Policy. Each focus area has a 'Read more' button.

Latest news:

Founding Organisational Members



- ❑ The open access modelling platform has been presented
- ❑ CAD-based, unlicensed GUI allows launching solvers relevant to microwave technology
- ❑ EU H2020 MMAMA Open Platform includes a set of modelling examples concerned with microwave microscopy of materials
- ❑ Modelling examples and results are accumulated in standardised formats (MODA and Gwyddion), for easy re-use
- ❑ The MMAMA Open Platform is planned to be extended with a set of solvers representing other physical sciences and technologies areas, fostering interdisciplinary collaboration



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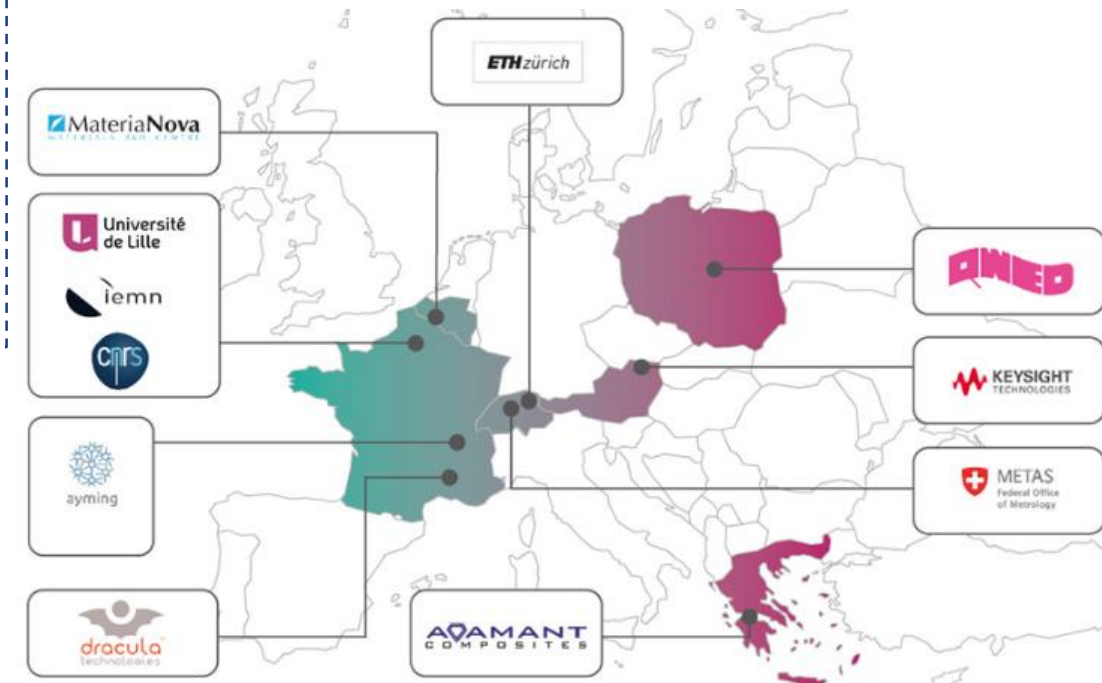
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