LIST OF THE RESEARCH PROJECTS

I. National research projects

1. New concepts related to the fuse operating using specific methods of virtual instrumentation (Noi concepte priving functionarea sigurantelor fuzibile folosind metode specifice instrumentatiei virtuale), grant no.706/19.01.2009, PNII IDEI, 2009-2011, National Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation

Position: Grant Director

Theoretical results: new concepts to improve the operating of the high breaking capacity fuses

Practical results: new type of fuses with controlled fusing and improved cooling

2. Intelligent system for monitoring and diagnose of the electrical equipment (Sistem inteligent de monitorizare şi diagnosticare a echipamentelor electrice), grant no.21014, PNCDI 2, 2007-2009, National Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: new solutions/algorithms of monitoring and diagnostic of the electrical equipment

Practical results: a test bench based on microcontroller for monitoring and diagnostic of the electrical equipment

3. New intelligent device to improve the energy quality using specific methods of virtual instrumentation (Nou dispozitiv inteligent pentru îmbunătățirea calității energiei utilizând mijloace specifice instrumentației virtuale), CEEX National Programme: Funding Application for Excellences Research Projects. Code project: 5, Contract no: 1489, 2006-2008

Position: Grant Director

Theoretical results: designing of the new intelligent device to improve the energy quality

Practical results: prototype of modular voltage adjusting level

4. Study of the stabilization and conditioning of the wines using the cold plasma (Studiul stabilizării şi condiţionării vinurilor prin tratament cu plasmă rece), grant no.117, CEEX, 2006-2008, National Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: new solutions related to the possibilities to treat the wines through the cold plasma

Practical results: test bench to treat different type of wines using the cold plasma

5. Advanced design and testing methods of the insulation systems to operate in extreme conditions and with fault tolerances (Metode avansate de proiectare şi testare a sistemelor de izolaţie destinate funcţionării în condiţii extreme şi toleranţe la defectare), grant no.164, type A, CNCSIS, code 489, 2004 – 2006, National Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: new design and testing methods for the insulation systems

Practical results: test bench and experimental tests for different type of insulators at extreme conditions of temperature, humidity and mechanical stresses

6. Controlled system using artificial intelligence for monitoring the electromagnetic pollution emissions and diagnostic of electrical and electroenergetics apparatus, equipments and installations (Sistem controlat prin inteligenta artificiala de monitorizare a emisiilor electromagnetice poluante si de diagnosticare a aparatelor, echipamentelor si instalatiilor electrice si electroenergetice), grant type A, no. 27637/2005-2006, National Council of Scientific Research from University Education (CNCSIS).

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: new solutions based on artificial intelligence for monitoring the electromagnetic pollution emissions because of different type of power electrical equipment

Practical results: laboratory tests of monitoring the electromagnetic pollution emissions and diagnostic of power electrical equipment

7. Modern solutions for monitoring and diagnose of electrical apparatus from different industrial installations (Solutii moderne privind monitorizarea si diagnosticarea aparatajului din instalatiile electrice), grant type A, no.129/294/2002-2003, National Council of Scientific Research from University Education (CNCSIS).

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: new solutions of monitoring and diagnostic of the apparatus from electrical networks using specific methods of virtual instrumentation

Practical results: a test bench with a data acquisition board for monitoring and diagnostic of the apparatus from electrical networks

8. Expert systems of total quality assurance in the industry of electrical materials and equipment (Sisteme expert de asigurare a calității totale în industria de materiale și echipamente electrotehnice), grant type D, no.42445/215, 2000-2001, World Development Bank and National Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: new solutions to provide the total quality of the electrical materials and equipment

Practical results: new laboratory to check/test the quality of the electrical materials and different type of electrical equipment

9. Modelling of magnetic material characteristics by using specific alghoritms of neural networks (Modelarea caracteristicilor materialelor magnetice utilizand algoritmi specifici inteligentei artificiale), grant type T, no.6167/2000, National Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation.

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: new models for magnetic material characteristics

Practical results: software programme about modelling of magnetic material characteristics

10. Reactors with cold plasma for air and water depollution (Reactoare cu plasma rece pentru depoluarea aerului si a apei), grant no.6177/1999-2000, Romanian Research and Technology Department.

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: the using of electrical discharge for air and water depollution

Practical results: a cold plasma reactor for air and water depollution

11. Overcurrent protection devices for power semiconductors (Dispozitive de protectie la supracurenti pentru instalatiile cu semiconductoare de putere), contract no.442/1996-1999, National Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation.

Position: Member coordinator

Theoretical results: new solutions as regard the overcurrent protection of installations with power semiconductors

Practical results: overcurrent protection devices for installations with power semiconductors

II. International research projects

1. Modelling and simulation of the current limiting fuses, Capacities, Module III, Bilateral Research Project China - Romania, Contract no. 610/01.01.2013, 2013-2014

Position: Grant Director

Theoretical results: Mathematical models of the temperature of the current limiting fuses; Mathematical models of the time-current characteristics

Practical results: 3D thermal simulations; laboratory testing of the current limiting fuses

2. Modelling of metal vapor arc for high current interruption in vacuum, Capacities, Module III, Bilateral Research Project China - Romania, Contract no. 515/14.04.2011, 2011-2012

Position: Grant Director

Theoretical results: Mathematical models of the metal vapor density for high current interruption in vacuum;

Mathematical models of the vacuum electric arc discharge

Practical results: 3D thermal simulations; laboratory testing of the vacuum circuit breakers

3. New Voltage Regulator for Power Transformers to Improve the Energy Quality, European Reintegration Grant (ERG), Contract no. MERG-7-CT-2005-014990, European Commission

Position: Main researcher

Theoretical results: Designing of a new device to regulate the voltage level between admissible limits (electromagnetic device design for step and continuous voltage adjustment; development of the programme for control unit; 3D thermal simulations)

Practical results: prototype for the new device; laboratory testing and validation of the proposed solution; dissemination of the new concept

4. Electro-thermal simulations of components and assemblies, Contract code PP03032501SF, DCSI – U.S.

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: New solutions about electro-thermal modelling and simulation of the power semiconductors **Practical results**: Modelling and simulation of different types of the power semiconductors, devices and power assemblies

5. Climatic tests on UPS, Contract code PP03101301SF, Azienda chimica genovese, Italy.

Position: Member coordinator

Theoretical results: Thermal aspects about uninterruptible power supply (UPS)

Practical results: Thermal checking of different type of uninterruptible power supply (UPS)

6. Burn-in and heat tests, Contract code PP04030302SF, Azienda chimica genovese, Italy.

Position: Member coordinator

Theoretical results: Thermal aspects about installations with power semiconductors **Practical results**: Thermal checking of different installations with power semiconductors

7. Solution for MM160, Contract code PP03121001SF, Miller – U.S.

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: Study about the replacement of a power semiconductor modul from a welding installation **Practical results**: The achievement of a new power semiconductor modul for the welding installation type MM160

8. Thermal simulation and optimisation of PCB, Contract code PP04032401SF, Gate, Italy.

Position: Member coordinator

Theoretical results: New solutions about the optimisation of power circuit boards (PCB)

Practical results: The achievement of an optimum structure for the power circuit boards (PCB) from thermal point of view

9. Line filters for electric cabinets. Contract code PP04030401SF. Miller – U.S.

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: Study about the overvoltage protection of power converters

Practical results: The achievement of some line filters for overvoltage protection of power converters

10. Alternative MOS for IRFZ46N, Contract code PP03052901SF, Miller - U.S.

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: A comparative study about power semiconductors type MOS

Practical results: Experimental tests as regard the characteristics of the power semiconductors type MOS

11. On-line checking of the thermal contact between MOS and heatsink, Contract code PP03060401SF, BTM, Italy

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: New solutions to check the thermal contact between power semiconductors type MOS and heatsink

Practical results: The achievement of a test bench for on-line checking of the thermal contact between power semiconductors type MOS and heatsink

12. Accelerated reliability tests on electrolytic capacitors, Contract code PP03060901SF, Gate, Italy.

Position: Member coordinator

Theoretical results: Study as regard the reliability of the electrolytic capacitors

Practical results: Accelerated reliability tests for electrolytic capacitors

13. Thermal project of a heat spreader for TO220, Contract code PP04032201SF, BTM, Italy.

Position: Member coordinator

Theoretical results: New solutions about heat spreader for power semiconductors type TO220

Practical results: The achievement of thermal models for heat spreaders to be used for power semiconductors type TO220

14. Updated software for CEV test with PWM control, Contract code PP04102502SF, BTM, Italy.

Position: Member coordinator

Theoretical results: The improving of the software to check the thermal contact for the CEV devices with PWM control

Practical results: The achievement of an updated software to check the thermal contact for the CEV devices with PWM control

15. Optimisation of a heat spreader for TO220 – 2, Contract code PP04111701SF, BTM, Italy.

Position: Member coordinator

Theoretical results: New solutions about improving the heat spreader for power semiconductors type TO220 **Practical results**: The achievement of an optimum model for heat spreaders to be used for power semiconductors type TO220

16. Contact check for SCANIA, Contract code PP04121402SF, BTM, Italy.

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: Solutions about checking the thermal contact at power semiconductor devices which

equipped the SCANIA trucks

Practical results: The achievement of a test bench to check the thermal contact at power semiconductor devices which equipped the SCANIA trucks

17. Characterization of MOS STP140NF55 and STP60NS04Z, Contract code PP05012502SF, BTM, Italy.

Position: Member of the research team

Theoretical results: Theoretical aspects about the characteristics of the MOS power semiconductors type

STP140NF55 and STP60NS04Z

Practical results: Experimental tests about the characteristics of the MOS power semiconductors type

STP140NF55 and STP60NS04Z