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Electrical Characterization, Optical Micrographs, and the Compositional Analyses of Al-Glass/C-Glass Composites

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ABSTRACT: This report shows the resistance (r) of Carbon-Glass composites and the Current/Voltage (I-V) characterization of Al-Glass composites. The optical micrographs and elemental determination of Carbon-Glass and Al-Glass are in this record. The effects of pressure and the influence of particle size on the electrical properties of these composites are included. The sample area, thickness range, and particle size are respectively $34.0 \times 35.0 \text{ mm}^2$, 20.8–22.10 mm, and 100 μm . The constituents of the same particle size were made into solids by applying a pressure of 30 MPa. The results obtained from examinations showed that the composition of Al in glass, compaction pressure, and particle size significantly influenced the resistance and the electrical I-V relationship of the compacted materials. The electrical properties of samples are within the range of 10–50% weight of Al in composites, and 0–100% weight of carbon in composites. The resistance of Carbon-Glass is sinusoidal with Mega Ohms values. The current variation of Al-Glass composites is also a sine wave in the I-V display, which is between 0 and 10 μA . The Current-Voltage notation is with sinusoidal resolution for Al-Glass composites. The voltage range is from -0.5 V to 1.0 V .

Keywords: Pressure; Particle size; Resistance; Current; Voltage; PIXE; RBS



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1. Introduction

Materials science plays a vital role in the era of new developments in science and technology, meeting the demand for various kinds of materials used in electrical, mechanical, and electronic industries, housing, transportation, and construction. This demand encouraged a scientific increase in the investigation levels of semiconductor thin film and bulk resistors used in transformers. The specimen slides have been useful for substrate thin film deposition. This is one of the reasons for the choice of glass in this experiment [1,2]. An aluminum material was used as a buffer layer for carbon nanotube growth. It produced the finest and highest multi-layered nanotube growth, depending on the thickness of the buffer layer on the glass substrate [3]. Carbon is commonly used to produce resistors for electronic devices in home usage and industrial applications [4–6]. These have formed the major selection of materials for bulk appliances.

The combined electrical properties exhibited by these composites, which cannot be attained in any of the constituent materials alone, make them valuable for use in many applications such as sensors, resistors, transducers, electromagnetic shielding [7–9], and wear-resistant materials for cutting tools [10–12]. One of the requirements for achieving a good composite is the electrical stability and compatibility between the constituent metallic and glass phase [13–15]. If the applications of a good electrical property of the composites are of interest, the composite material is mostly combined with a suitable electrically conductive metallic phase.

Ceramic materials tested and used are alumina, carbides, nitrides, silicates, and titanates [16]. Due to the unique electrical stability and plasticity, the red and white clay materials have been used to manufacture ceramic products [16,17].

The general fabrication process of glass/metal and ceramic/metal matrix composites involves compacting the powders of the conducting and insulating constituents with a liquid binder under pressure. The samples were fired to investigate electrical properties at increasing temperatures [18]. The sample is formed at a constant pressure of 30 MPa to avoid fracture, kink, and rupture. This compaction process initiates interatomic reaction, interaction, and bonding between the constituent materials in forming a solid structure. Thus, the final electrical properties depend on the

processing conditions. For instance, several transformations of elemental composition occur within the materials, which change the density of the composites [19,20]. Adjusting the electrical properties to meet specific needs involves the selection of compaction pressure, Particle size, and composition. The investigation of the electrical resistance of Carbon-Glass composites is noted. The current and voltage relationship of Al-Glass composites at constant pressure and the same particle size was reported. The display of resistance in Carbon-Glass composites with carbon composition and the current-voltage relation in Al-Glass composites were also considered. Moreover, the composites for industrial purposes were proposed.

2. Experimental Procedure

Aluminum and carbon powders of 100 μm particle size with a purity level of 99.95% were obtained from British Drug House (BDH), UK. A sodium silicate liquid of purity level 99.50% was also obtained from China. Specimen slides of laboratory standard (25.4 mm \times 76.2 mm \times 1 mm) were used in the study. The specimen slides were treated with detergent and cleaned in distilled water to remove unwanted stains. The rock laboratory ball milling machine was used to pulverize the specimen slide into powdered form and further sieved into 100 μm particle size with an appropriate mesh. The sodium silicate was used as the binder for the Al-Glass and Carbon-Glass composites. The dimensions of Aluminum-Glass and Carbon-Glass composites are 34 mm \times 35 mm \times 20 mm. The formulas for mixing are AlxGlass100-x and CarbonxGlass100-x. The percentages of Al and Carbon in the composites range from 10, 20, 30, 40, & 50% weight. The samples were molded at a pressure of 30 MPa. After mixing, the composite samples were subjected to compaction. The samples were molded at the mechanical section of the Centre for Energy Research and Development (CERD) at Obafemi Awolowo University. Resistance measurements of samples were obtained with a Maxtech Digital Multimeter (Suder model SD9208A).

The DC resistance measurements on these composites were carried out by a two-point probe technique using graphite electrodes and a digital multimeter. Good electrical contact between the graphite electrodes and the ends of the composites was assured by depositing small drops of conducting silver paste on the ends of the compact composites. The Proton Induced X-ray Emission (PIXE) and Rutherford Back Scattering (RBS) of samples were obtained from CERD. The current-voltage values of the samples were obtained from the Keithley electrical measuring device at the Electrical Material Development Institute EMDI, Akure. All electrical measurements were carried out at room temperature.

3. Results and Discussion

Table 1 shows the results of the I-V characterization of Al-Glass composites at a constant pressure of 30 MPa, with particle sizes of 100 μm . The electrical properties of the bulk samples are contained in Table 2. The results also showed other bulk samples subjected to a constant pressure of 30 MPa at 100 μm . Tables 3–7 contain the Proton Induced X-ray Emission results and Rutherford Back Scattering of the samples at constant pressure for a particle size of 100 μm for both powdered and solid materials. In Tables 3–7, it was observed that silicon takes the lead of all the elements in Carbon-Glass Composites.

Table 1. I-V Characteristics of Al-Glass Composites at a pressure of 30 MPa at 27 °C and 100 μm .

Current I (μA)	Voltage (Volts)				
	Al10Glass90	Al20Glass80	Al30Glass70	Al40Glass60	Al50Glass50
0	−0.30	−0.4	−0.38	−0.36	−0.23
0.5	0.50	−0.35	−0.30	0.28	0.10
1.0	0.38	1.0	−0.60	−0.15	−0.35
1.5	−0.30	−0.38	0.35	−0.5	0.50
2.0	−0.50	−0.35	0.38	−0.32	0.40
2.5	−0.30	−0.15	0.26	−0.28	0.15
3.0	−1.00	0.20	0.20	0.05	−0.40
3.5	0.15	0.38	0.05	0.30	−0.50
4.0	0.40	0.35	−0.28	0.45	−0.50
4.5	0.43	−0.05	−0.35	0.30	−0.40
5.0	0.45	−0.35	−0.25	0.0	−0.15
5.5	0.20	−0.42	−0.15	−0.40	0.15
6.0	−0.30	−0.20	0.15	−0.50	0.40

6.5	−0.38	−0.10	0.30	−0.25	0.50
7.0	−0.40	0.08	0.40	0.20	0.55
7.5	−0.30	0.32	0.37	0.45	0.30
8.0	−0.10	0.42	0.15	0.40	−0.05
8.5	0.30	0.28	−0.20	0.30	−0.4
9.0	0.40	−0.02	0.0	0.10	−0.45
9.5	0.30	−0.15	0.30	−0.10	0.0
10.0	0.15	0.04	0.40	−0.15	0.4

Table 2. Electrical Properties of bulk samples at pressure of 30 MPa at 27 °C and particle size of 100 µm for Carbon-Glass Composites.

% Weight Carbon/Glass	Side to Side				Diagonal				Center to Center			
	Resistance (MΩ)	Conductance (MΩ) ^{−1}	Resistivity (MΩm)	Conductivity (µS/m)	Resistance (MΩ)	Conductance (MΩ) ^{−1}	Resistivity (MΩm)	Conductivity (µS/m)	Resistance (MΩ)	Conductance (MΩ) ^{−1}	Resistivity (MΩm)	Conductivity (µS/m)
0.00/100.0	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172
10.0/90.0	0.8	1.25	0.150	6.667	0.8	1.25	0.150	6.667	0.8	1.25	0.150	6.667
20.0/80.0	0.9	1.25	0.150	6.667	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172
30.0/70.0	0.8	1.25	0.150	6.667	0.8	1.25	0.150	6.667	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172
40.0/60.0	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.8	1.25	0.150	6.667
50.0/50.0	1.0	1.00	0.180	5.556	0.8	1.25	0.150	6.667	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172
60.0/40.0	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172
70.0/30.0	0.8	1.25	0.150	6.667	0.8	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172
80.0/20.0	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	1.0	1.00	0.180	5.556
90.0/10.0	0.8	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.8	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172
100.0/0.00	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	0.9	1.11	0.162	6.172	1.0	1.00	0.180	5.556

Table 3 summarizes the elements, their percentage elemental concentrations, and the variation in concentration error of the C₁₀ Glass₉₀ composite. The level of significance was between 0.01 and 0.3, and the level of determination was in the range 0.00026 to 0.2983. The results showed that the oxygen and silicon atoms have an equal elemental concentration of 20.0 percent each, with an empirical concentration error of approximately ±0.00016 to ±0.21566. Sodium, calcium, and carbon were determined at approximately 15.0, 12.0, and 11.0 percent concentrations, respectively, with levels of significance between 0.01 and 0.3. It implies there was an increase in the level of determination before highly concentrated elements were determined.

Table 4 indicates the elements, percentage elemental concentrations, and concentration error variation of the C₂₀ Glass₈₀ composite. The level of significance was between 0.01 and 0.3, and the level of determination was in the range 0.00026 to 0.2983. The results showed that the silicon element has a concentration of 25.0 percent, and the empirical concentration error is between ±0.00016 and ±0.21566 approximately. Oxygen, sodium, calcium, and carbon were determined at approximately 15.0, 14.98, 11.6, and 15.0 percent concentrations, respectively, with levels of significance between 0.01 and 0.30. It signifies there was an increase in the level of significance before highly concentrated elements were observed.

Table 3. Concentration of Elements in C₁₀ Glass₉₀ for 30 MPa and 100-µm particle size.

S/N	Element/Symbol	% Conc.	% Conc Error	% LOD	Present
1	Oxygen (O ₂)	20.34062	±0.027508	0.01497	Y
2	Sodium (Na)	14.97668	±0.215664	0.29829	Y
3	Magnesium (Mg)	1.23964	±0.165492	0.15065	Y
4	Aluminum (Al)	3.73075	±0.045969	0.01613	Y
5	Silicon (Si)	20.11359	±0.082875	0.02739	Y
6	Potassium (K)	3.08710	±0.008597	0.01600	Y
7	Calcium (Ca)	11.59213	±0.009712	0.00652	Y
8	Titanium (Ti)	0.03139	±0.002882	0.00494	Y
9	Manganese (Mn)	0.00430	±0.001372	0.00240	-
10	Iron (Fe)	3.10834	±0.002709	0.00188	Y
11	Nickel (Ni)	0.00029	±0.000162	0.00026	-

12	Carbon (C)	11.00321	± 0.008597	0.15065	Y
Total		83.2245			

Y = Yes, LOD = Level of Determination, dash = not certain.

Table 4. Concentration of Elements in C₂₀ Glass₈₀ for 30 MPa and 100- μ m particle size.

S/N	Element/Symbol	% Conc.	% Conc Error	% LOD	Present
1	Oxygen (O ₂)	15.34062	± 0.027508	0.01497	Y
2	Sodium (Na)	14.97668	± 0.215664	0.29829	Y
3	Magnesium (Mg)	1.23964	± 0.165492	0.15065	Y
4	Aluminum (Al)	5.73075	± 0.045969	0.01613	Y
5	Silicon (Si)	25.11359	± 0.082875	0.02739	Y
6	Potassium (K)	3.08710	± 0.008597	0.01600	Y
7	Calcium (Ca)	11.59213	± 0.009712	0.00652	Y
8	Titanium (Ti)	0.03139	± 0.002882	0.00494	Y
9	Manganese (Mn)	0.00430	± 0.001372	0.00240	-
10	Iron (Fe)	0.10834	± 0.002709	0.00188	Y
11	Nickel (Ni)	0.00029	± 0.000162	0.00026	-
12	Carbon (C)	15.00342	± 0.002882	0.01613	Y
Total		82.22826			

Y = Yes, LOD = Level of Determination, dash = not certain.

In Table 5 for C₃₀ Glass₇₀ composite, it was observed that the concentration of aluminium is twice that of magnesium. Oxygen and sodium were also twice that of the concentration of aluminium. Silicon takes the highest concentration among elements with 25.1 percent, a 0.01 level of significance, a 0.027 level of determination, and a ± 0.082875 error concentration. It entails the highest concentration of an element at a low level of determination and small error concentration. Sodium, oxygen, and carbon concentrations in the range 14.98–16.00 percent were determined with levels of significance between 0.01 and 0.3. These were determined at a low level of determination and between low and high error concentrations, ± 0.027508 and ± 0.215664 . This sample was noted to be close to 100.0 percent elemental concentration.

Table 5. Concentration of Elements in C₃₀ Glass₇₀ for 30 MPa and 100- μ m particle size.

S/N	Element/Symbol	% Conc.	% Conc Error	% LOD	Present
1	Oxygen (O ₂)	15.34062	± 0.027508	0.01497	Y
2	Sodium (Na)	14.97668	± 0.215664	0.29829	Y
3	Magnesium (Mg)	3.23964	± 0.165492	0.15065	Y
4	Aluminum (Al)	6.73075	± 0.045969	0.01613	Y
5	Silicon (Si)	25.11359	± 0.082875	0.02739	Y
6	Potassium (K)	3.08710	± 0.008597	0.01600	Y
7	Calcium (Ca)	10.59213	± 0.009712	0.00652	Y
8	Titanium (Ti)	0.03139	± 0.002882	0.00494	Y
9	Manganese (Mn)	0.00430	± 0.001372	0.00240	-
10	Iron (Fe)	0.10834	± 0.002709	0.00188	Y
11	Nickel (Ni)	0.00029	± 0.000162	0.00026	-
12	Carbon (C)	16.00032	± 0.009712	0.01600	Y
Total		95.224516			

Y = Yes, LOD = Level of Determination, dash = not certain.

In Table 6 for C₄₀ Glass₆₀ composite, silicon takes the highest concentration among elements with 25.1 percent, a 0.01 level of significance, a 0.027 level of determination, and a ± 0.082875 error concentration. It depicts the highest concentration of the element at a low level of determination and small error concentration. Sodium, oxygen, and carbon concentrations in the range 14.98 to 17.00 percent were sustained with levels of significance between 0.01 and 0.3. These were determined at a low level of determination, and between low and high error concentrations, ± 0.027508 and ± 0.215664 . This sample was revealed to be very close to 100.0 percent elemental concentration.

Table 6. Concentration of Elements in C₄₀ Glass₆₀ for 30 MPa and 100-μm particle size.

S/N	Element/Symbol	% Conc.	% Conc Error	% LOD	Present
1	Oxygen (O ₂)	15.34062	±0.027508	0.01497	Y
2	Sodium (Na)	14.97668	±0.215664	0.29829	Y
3	Magnesium (Mg)	1.23964	±0.165492	0.15065	Y
4	Aluminum (Al)	8.73075	±0.045969	0.01613	Y
5	Silicon (Si)	25.11359	±0.082875	0.02739	Y
6	Potassium (K)	3.08710	±0.008597	0.01600	Y
7	Calcium (Ca)	11.59213	±0.009712	0.00652	Y
8	Titanium (Ti)	0.03139	±0.002882	0.00494	Y
9	Manganese (Mn)	0.00430	±0.001372	0.00240	-
10	Iron (Fe)	0.10834	±0.002709	0.00188	Y
11	Nickel (Ni)	0.00029	±0.000162	0.00026	-
12	Carbon (C)	17.10002	±0.008597	0.01613	Y
Total		97.32486			

Y = Yes, LOD = Level of Determination, dash = not certain.

In Table 7 for C₅₀ Glass₅₀ composite, silicon takes the highest concentration among elements with 24.1 percent, a 0.01 level of significance, a 0.027 level of determination, and a ±0.082875 error concentration. It denotes the highest concentration of an element at a low level of determination and small error concentration. Sodium, oxygen, and carbon concentrations in the range 14.98 to 15.10 percent were determined with levels of significance between 0.01 and 0.3. These were determined at a low level of determination, and between low and high error concentrations, ±0.027508 and ±0.215664. This sample was revealed to be very close to 100.0 percent elemental concentration.

Table 7. Concentration of Elements in C₅₀ Glass₅₀ for 30 MPa and 100-μm particle size.

S/N	Element/Symbol	% Conc.	% Conc Error	% LOD	Present
1	Oxygen (O ₂)	16.34062	±0.027508	0.01497	Y
2	Sodium (Na)	14.97668	±0.215664	0.29829	Y
3	Magnesium (Mg)	2.23964	±0.165492	0.15065	Y
4	Aluminum (Al)	10.73075	±0.045969	0.01613	Y
5	Silicon (Si)	24.11359	±0.082875	0.02739	Y
6	Potassium (K)	3.08710	±0.008597	0.01600	Y
7	Calcium (Ca)	11.59213	±0.009712	0.00652	Y
8	Titanium (Ti)	0.03139	±0.002882	0.00494	Y
9	Manganese (Mn)	0.00430	±0.001372	0.00240	-
10	Iron (Fe)	0.10834	±0.002709	0.00188	Y
11	Nickel (Ni)	0.00029	±0.000162	0.00026	-
12	Carbon (C)	15.10002	±0.008597	0.01613	Y
Total		98.42486			

Y = Yes, LOD = Level of Determination, dash = not certain. Oxygen is obtained from RBS analysis, and other elements are from PIXE. Air trap and moisture constitute the remaining percentage.

The display of Figure 1 is the setup for molding samples. The square-shaped composites have been produced.

Figure 2a–e contain the results of the optical micrographs of Al-Glass composites, which entail black grains of Al that are dominant and dispersed randomly in the white background of a glass texture of the composites. It also reveals that the grain sizes are not the same. Figures 3 and 4 depict major compositions of Al-Glass and Carbon-Glass composites at 30 MPa and 100 μm. In Figure 3, this silicon tops the elemental composition only for Al₂₀ Glass₃₀, Al₄₀ Glass₁₀, and Al₅₀ Glass₅₀. The other element, oxygen, is the highest of the remaining samples of Al₁₀ Glass₄₀ and Al₃₀ Glass₂₀. The samples of Figure 4 also reveal that silicon assumes the first position in all the elemental compositions of Carbon-Glass Composites.

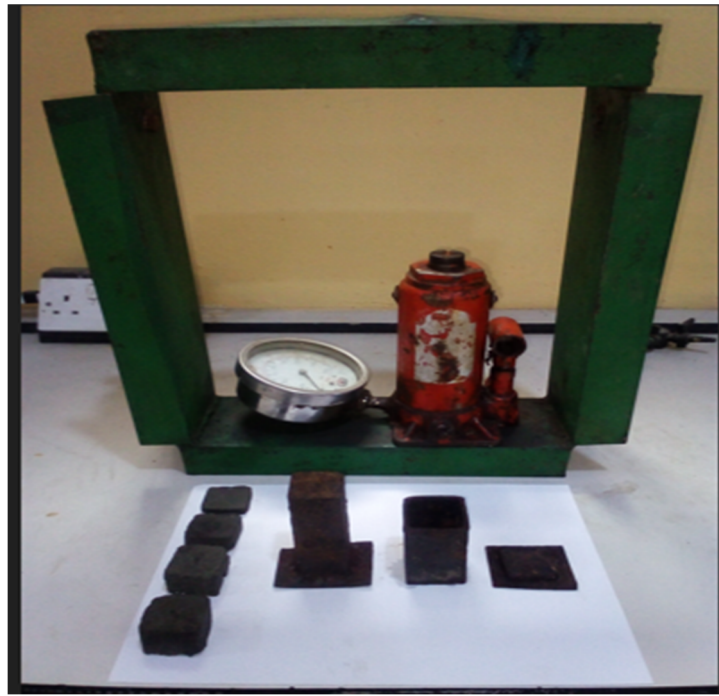


Figure 1. Experimental Set-up for Compacting Materials.

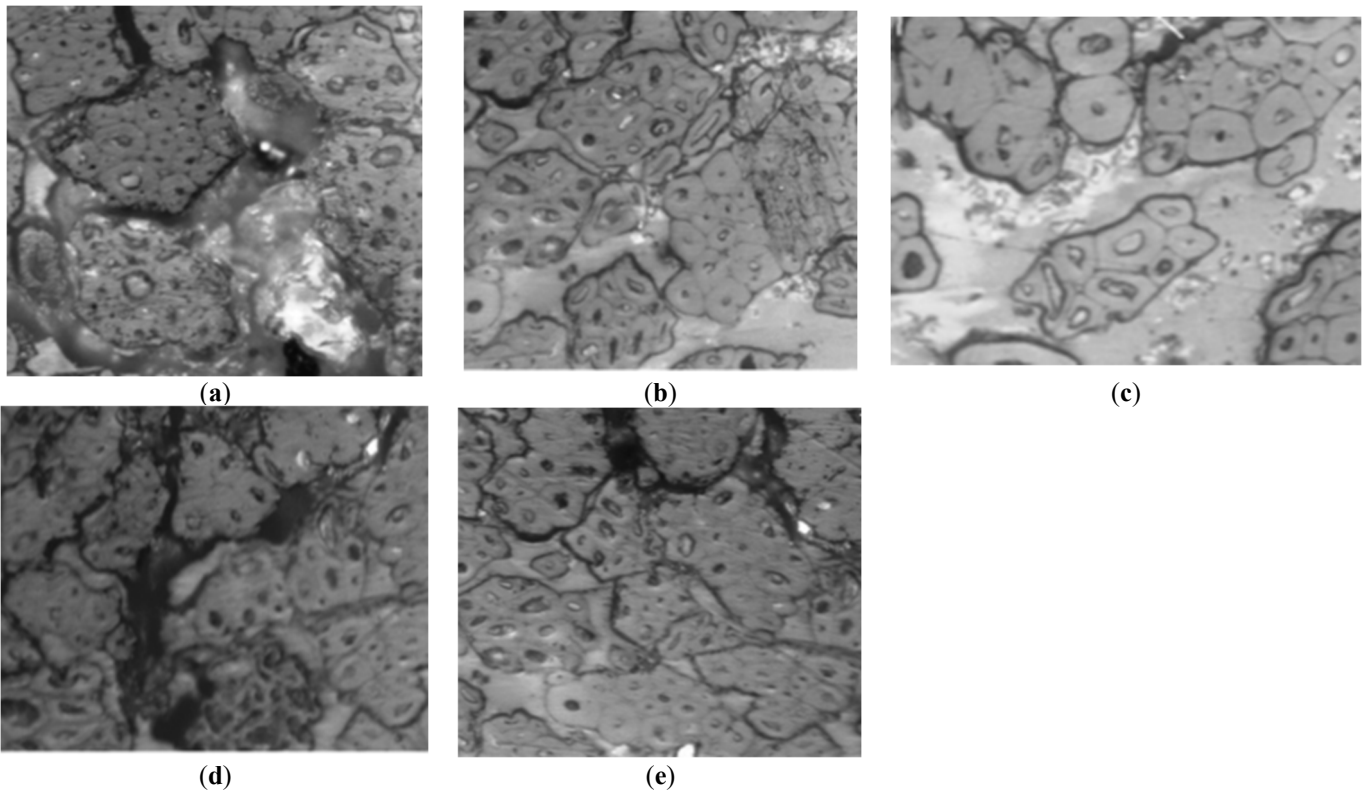


Figure 2. (a–e): Optical micrographs for composites at 30 MPa, 100- μ m particle size, and Magnification $\times 100$. **(a)** Al₁₀/Glass₉₀ (10%Al, 90% Glass); **(b)** Al₂₀/Glass₈₀ (20%Al, 80% Glass); **(c)** Al₃₀/Glass₇₀ (30%Al, 70% Glass); **(d)** Al₄₀/Glass₆₀ (40%Al, 60% Glass); **(e)** Al₅₀/Glass₅₀ (50%Al, 50% Glass).

In Figure 3, silicon atoms take the lead in the highest concentrated elements of Al₂₀ Glass₈₀, Al₄₀ Glass₆₀, and Al₅₀ Glass₅₀ composites, yet silicon ranks second in the highest concentrated elements of Al₁₀ Glass₉₀, and Al₃₀ Glass₇₀ composites. Moreover, in Al₁₀ Glass₉₀ and Al₃₀ Glass₇₀ composites, oxygen was observed to be the most concentrated element. But aluminium and oxygen are second and third in rank of the highest concentrated elements in Al₄₀ Glass₆₀, and Al₅₀ Glass₅₀ composites respectively. Besides, sodium was noted to be the third most concentrated element in Al₁₀ Glass₉₀ and Al₂₀ Glass₈₀ composites and aluminium became the fourth highest concentrated element in Al₁₀ Glass₉₀ and Al₂₀ Glass₈₀ composites. Calcium is the fifth highest concentrated element in Al₁₀ Glass₉₀ but carbon is

also the fifth highest concentrated elements in Al₂₀ Glass₈₀, and Al₃₀ Glass₇₀, Al₄₀ Glass₆₀ and Al₅₀ Glass₅₀ composites. The sixth highest concentrated element in Al₄₀ Glass₆₀ composite is phosphorous. But the sixth highest concentrated elements in Al₁₀ Glass₉₀, Al₂₀ Glass₈₀, Al₃₀ Glass₇₀, and Al₅₀ Glass₅₀ is calcium. Other elements such as carbon, potassium, titanium, and magnesium were found in the category of low and very low concentration elements.

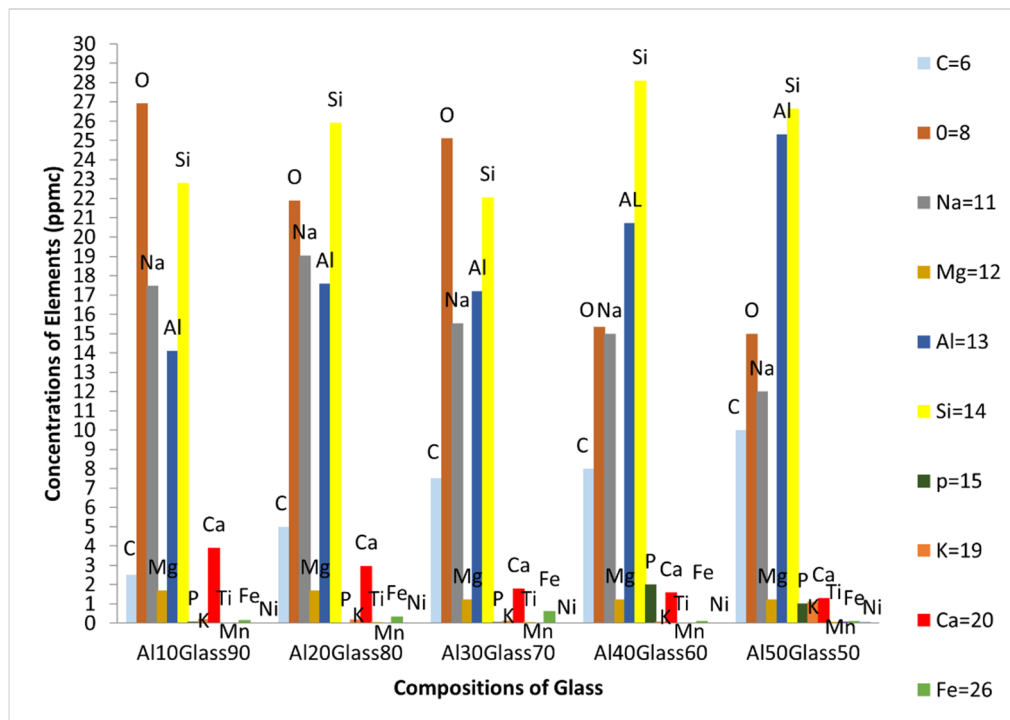


Figure 3. Major compositions of Al-Glass composites at 30 Mpa and 100 μm .

In Figure 4, the silicon atoms take the lead as the most concentrated element in nearly all the composites. Moreover, carbon was observed to be the second most concentrated element in C₂₀ Glass₈₀, C₃₀ Glass₇₀, and C₄₀ Glass₆₀ composites. Furthermore, Sodium was the third most concentrated element in C₁₀ Glass₉₀ and C₂₀ Glass₈₀ composites, yet the fourth most concentrated element in C₃₀ Glass₇₀, C₄₀ Glass₆₀, and C₅₀ Glass₅₀ composites. In addition, Oxygen was the first in rank of the most concentrated element in C₁₀ Glass₉₀ composite, but the second in rank in C₅₀ Glass₅₀ composite. Calcium and oxygen are the fourth most concentrated elements in C₁₀ Glass₉₀ and C₂₀ Glass₈₀ composites respectively, but calcium is the fifth most concentrated element in C₂₀ Glass₈₀, C₃₀ Glass₇₀, C₄₀ Glass₆₀, and C₅₀ Glass₅₀ composites. Aluminium forms the sixth most concentrated element in all the composites. Other elements, such as magnesium, phosphorous, potassium, and titanium are categorized as low and very low concentrated elements in all the composites.

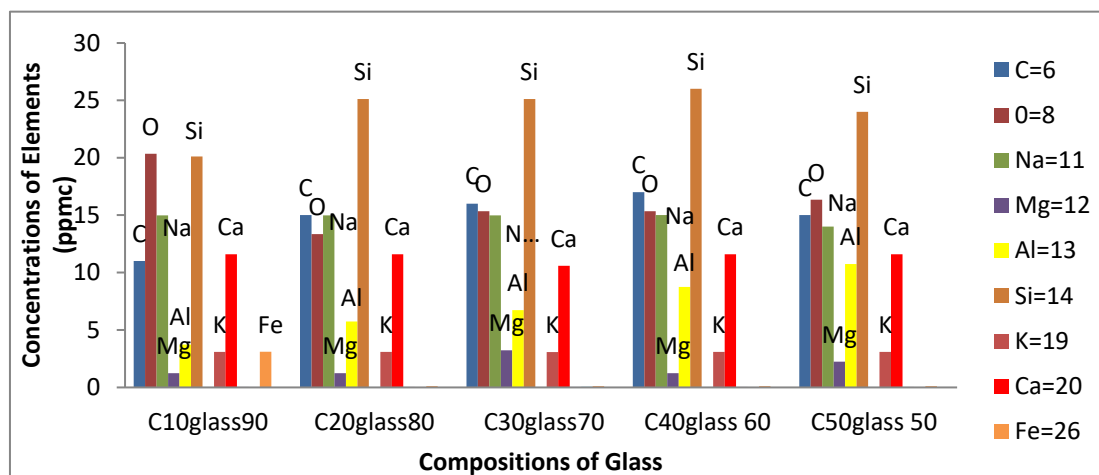


Figure 4. Major compositions of Carbon-Glass composites at 30 MPa and 100 μm .

The variation of the electrical I-V characteristic of the Al-Glass Composites is shown in Figure 5. The Figure revealed the variation of current in the range of 0 to 10 μA , a constant pressure of 30 MPa, and a particle size of 100

μm . The display has shown an interwoven pattern for all the composites. The voltage oscillates between $+0.5\text{ V}$ and -0.5 V . This might be useful in electronic devices that require micro-ampere current flow in the circuit. Figure 5 shows the relationship between the current and voltage with an increase in Al composition for some composites. Furthermore, the results revealed the sinusoidal display of the I-V relationship for all the Al-Glass materials investigated. This is due to the near cancellation of the ionic potentials between the atoms of the elements. At a noticeable atomic distance, the ionic potentials were screened. Moreover, the current for all the samples fluctuates at a minute range in micro-amperes. This might be a result of the electron density variation. The delocalization, at times, may occur when the weighted average of the configuration of the holes and electrons undergoes fluctuations when there is an air trap in the volume of the solid material of Al-Glass composites. Furthermore, changing the density of states in its neighborhood. For an electron-particle interaction, the surrounding electrons are pushed away. We get a cloud of positive charge density in a region, and in other regions, we have a negative cloud charge density. The variation of the resistance of carbon with a composition of Glass at a constant pressure of 30 MPa and particle size of $100\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ is revealed in Figure 6.

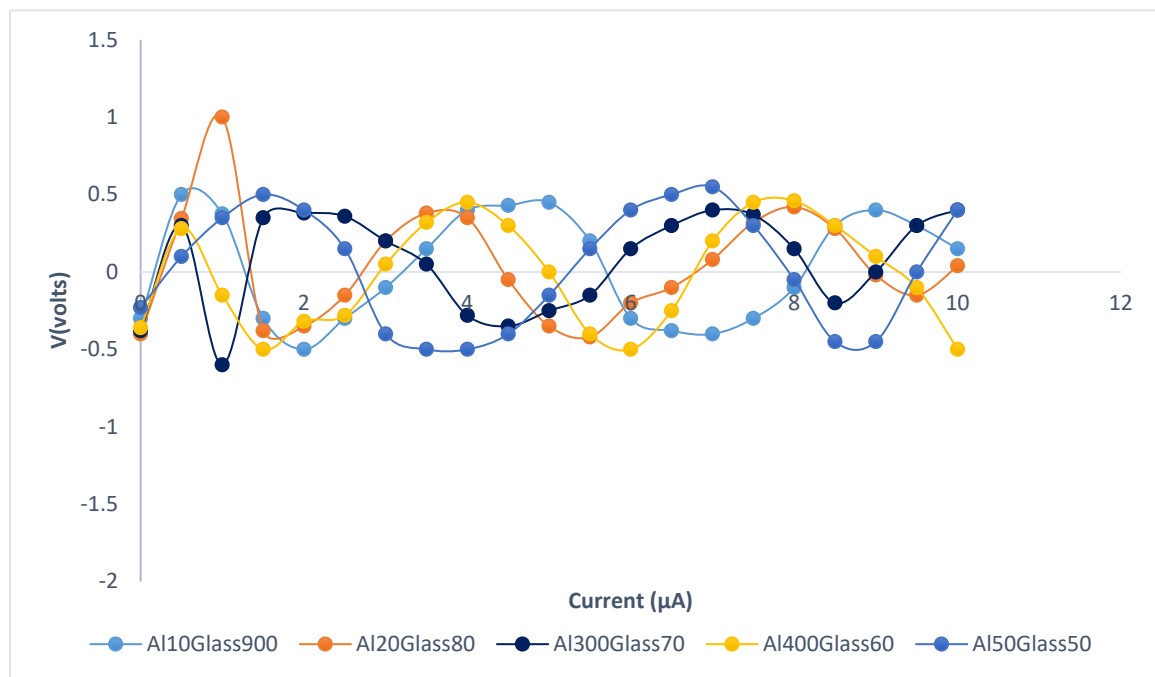


Figure 5. Current-Voltage Characteristics of Al-Glass composites at 30 MPa and $100\text{ }\mu\text{m}$.

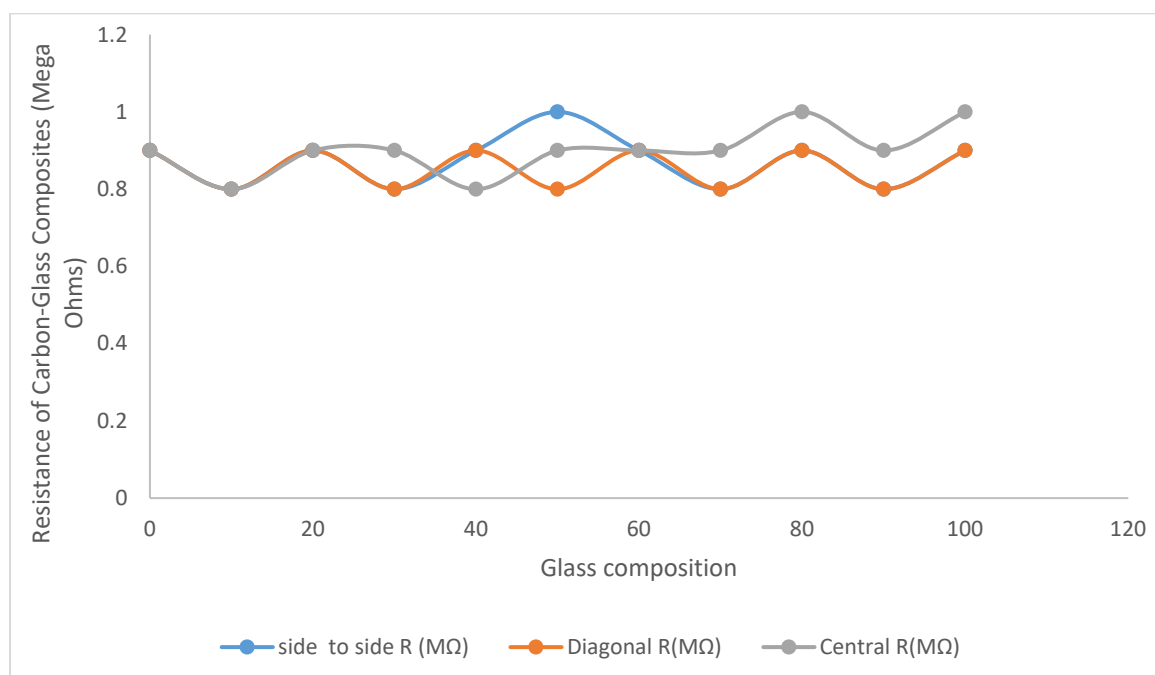


Figure 6. Resistance of Carbon versus Glass composition at 30 MPa and $100\text{ }\mu\text{m}$.

Figure 6 portrays the connectivity between the resistance of Carbon-Glass composites and glass composition for all the composites. It was observed that the display is also sinusoidal. The atomic radii experienced some increase, thereby reducing the inter-atomic spacing owing to a compositional increase of carbon atoms. There is an atomic size difference between the atoms of carbon and glass. The ionic potentials later experience deformation at a specific composition. Afterwards, the interatomic spacing became altered; thereby, at some specific point for carbon metals, it became so obvious that there is a slight fall in the value of the resistance of Carbon-Glass material. These can be interesting; the effective mass was also affected in the sense that it became modified during the increase in carbon/glass ratio in the system. The case of drop-in resistance values at some specific composition can be traced to the interacting particles, which push some other electrons around with some increased inertia during electrical connectivity with the measurement device, which depends on the interaction between the interatomic chemical potential. Some of the sudden increase in resistance at higher elemental composition can also be attributed to dimensional changes, directional bonding, chemical alternation of positive and negative charges, and short geometric atomic arrangements.

4. Conclusions

The simple fabrication method of compacting powdered Al, carbon, and glass using sodium silicate as the binder has revealed the nature and elemental composition of Al-Glass and Carbon-Glass composites. The resistance in Mega-ohms of Carbon-Glass composite is useful for industrial high-resistance electrical devices. The micro-current results obtained in Al-Glass are also applicable in electronic devices if an advanced fabrication method is used to reduce the size of the resistor to suit portability. These composites can be used as switching devices, resistors, and sensors.

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