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Biomimicry and energy, a systemic eco-design approach to address the challenges of the energy and ecological transition

RS 1 Setting ambitious climate targets in the energy sector

Question 1.9. What practical examples of multifunctionalities of self-healing, self-cleaning, renewal, life extension can be? What are the further developments and achievements that the authors can share? What are the needed research pathways that will be needed to take full advantage of this knowledge?

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Group Discussion Meeting

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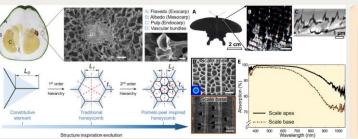
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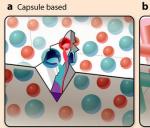
Multifunctional systems for the energy sector, current trends

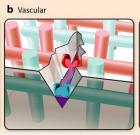


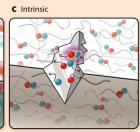
Multifunctionality through surface structuring [Barthlott, 2017] [Yu, 2020]

Multifunctionality through material composition and organization [Speck, 2019] [Zhang, 2019] [Siddique, 2017]











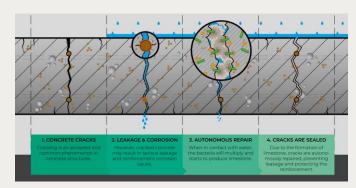






Multifunctionality through their optimized answers to trade-offs formalized by life principles [Vincent, 2006][Goupil, 2019]

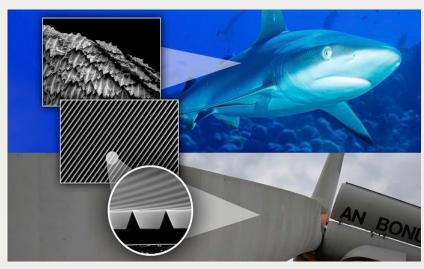
Practical examples



Self-healing concrete

Basilisk company has successfully conducted 12 projects in the past 5 years on various infrastructure, from roads to water tanks https://basiliskconcrete.com/en/.





Surface material structuring

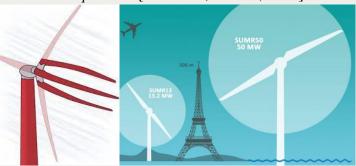
"The Riblet4wind project has proven that a Riblet structured coating [...] leads to an observable improvement of the performance" EU funded project coordinated by the Fraunhofer Society





Optimized solution facing trade-offs

"Drawing inspiration from palm trees, US researchers have found a way to significantly scale up offshore wind turbines a development that could dramatically increase the amount of electricity we generate from wind power." [Freethink, Houser, 2022]



Research next steps?



From Nature to labs

Investment to keep on analyzing and abstracting solutions from living begins



From labs to industries

Investment to scale up these technologies and apply them on as many systems as possible



From industries back to Nature

Investment to ensure an eco-friendly transfer of biomimetic solutions

