

# Giant magnetoimpedance effect in $\text{Co}_{70}\text{Fe}_5\text{Si}_{15}\text{B}_{10}$ and $\text{Co}_{70}\text{Fe}_5\text{Si}_{15}\text{Nb}_{2.2}\text{Cu}_{0.8}\text{B}_7$ ribbons

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**Abstract:** Giant magnetoimpedance (GMI) effect has been observed in  $\text{Co}_{70}\text{Fe}_5\text{Si}_{15}\text{B}_{10}$  and  $\text{Co}_{70}\text{Fe}_5\text{Si}_{15}\text{Nb}_{2.2}\text{Cu}_{0.8}\text{B}_7$  melt-spun amorphous ribbons. The magnetoimpedance (MI) of these samples has been studied up to a frequency of 10 MHz and varying a dc magnetic field ( $H_{dc}$ ) within 150 Oe. A maximum change of 89% in MI has been observed for  $\text{Co}_{70}\text{Fe}_5\text{Si}_{15}\text{Nb}_{2.2}\text{Cu}_{0.8}\text{B}_7$  composition around a frequency of 3.1 MHz. Substitution of Cu and Nb for B in an initial  $\text{Co}_{70}\text{Fe}_5\text{Si}_{15}\text{B}_{10}$  composition forming the  $\text{Co}_{70}\text{Fe}_5\text{Si}_{15}\text{Nb}_{2.2}\text{Cu}_{0.8}\text{B}_7$  composition not only favors the GMI effect but also gives rise to the sensitivity of the magnetic response (?18%/Oe), which is very beneficial for magnetic sensors applications. The GMI effect for both samples annealed at 550 K is further enhanced due to the presence of the ultrasoft magnetic materials, compared to their as-quenched samples.

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