

DSC and MDSC Online Training

Part 2: Applications



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Heat Flow Signals

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = C_p \frac{dT}{dt} + f(T, t)$$

Total
Heat
Flow

- All Transitions

Reversing
Heat Flow

- Heat Capacity
- Glass Transition
- Melting

Non-Reversing
Heat Flow

- Enthalpic Recovery
- Evaporation
- Crystallization
- Thermoset Cure
- Denaturation
- Decomposition
- Some Melting
- Chemical Reactions

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Applications Agenda

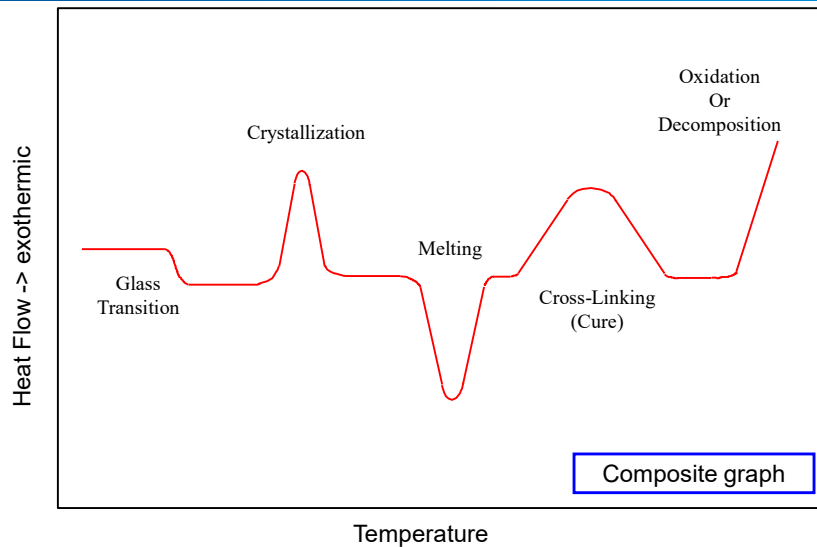
- Oxidation Induction Time
- Heat Capacity (C_p)
- The Glass Transition Temperature (T_g)
- Melting and Crystallization Analysis
- Thermosets: Curing and Crosslinking
- Pharmaceuticals

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Typical DSC Transitions



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Oxidative Stability (OIT) Method

The OIT test characterizes the thermo-oxidative stability of a sample by using DSC

ASTM D3895-19 – OIT for polyolefins

ASTM D1858-08 – OIT for hydrocarbons

An OIT Method (polyolefin)

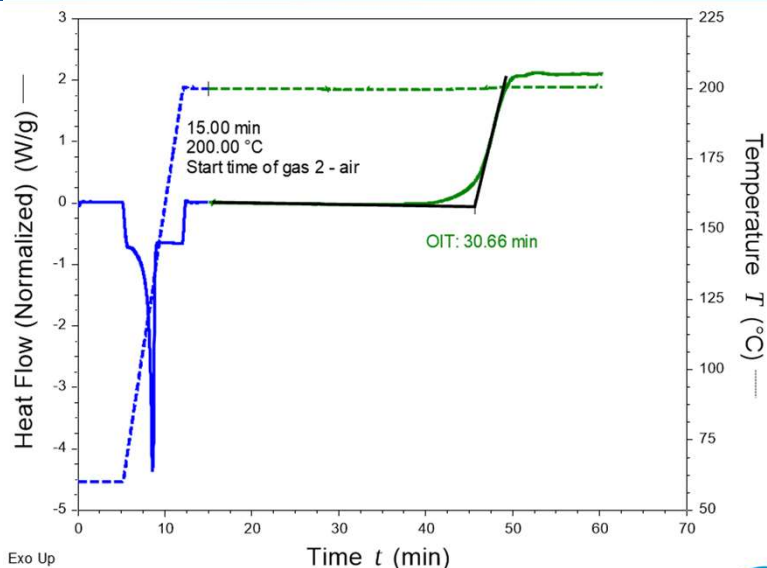
- 1) Isothermal for 5.00 minutes in Nitrogen
- 2) Ramp 20°C/min. to 200°C
- 3) Isothermal for 5.00 minutes
- 4) Select gas: 2 (air or oxygen)
- 5) Isothermal for 100.00 minutes (hold to a time where the exotherm reaches a peak to get accurate OIT)

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Oxidative Induction Time of Polyolefin Film



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Heat Capacity (Cp)



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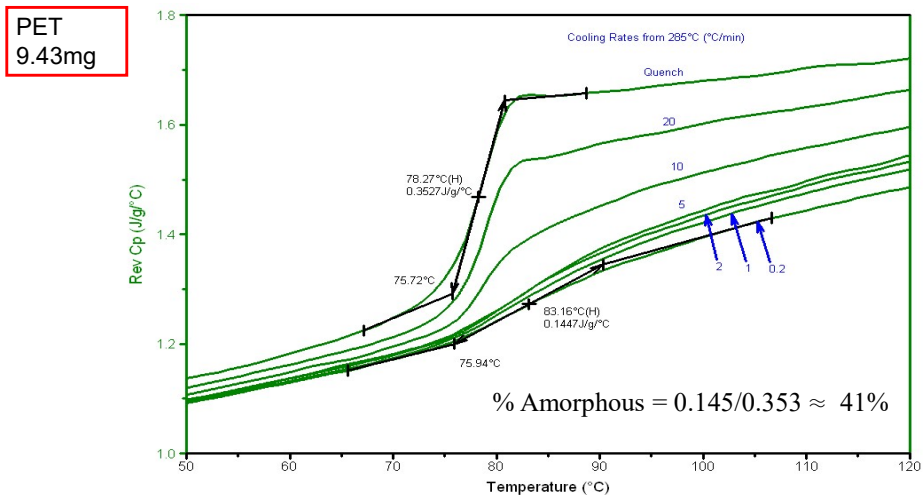
About Heat Capacity

- Heat capacity is the amount of heat required to raise or lower the temperature of a material by 1°C.
- Specific heat capacity (Cp) refers to a specific mass and temperature change for the material (J/g°C).
- Heat capacity is directly related to molecular mobility
- Cp increases as molecular mobility increases
 - Higher Cp = More Mobility
 - Lower Cp = Less Mobility
- Quantitative indicator of structure and stability



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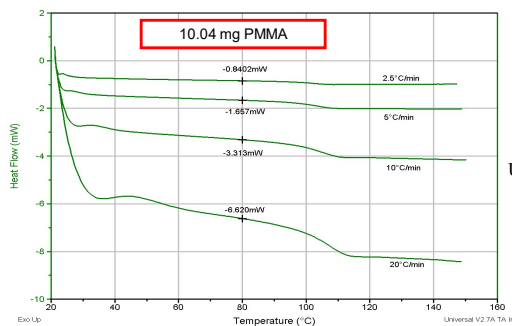
Change in Cp at Tg is a Measure of Amorphous Structure



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Calculating heat capacity from heat flow data



$$dH/dt = C_p dT/dt + f(T, t)$$

$$\text{Uncal. } C_p \left(\frac{\text{J}}{\text{g} \cdot ^\circ\text{C}} \right) = \frac{\text{Heat flow} \left(\frac{\text{mJ}}{\text{sec}} \right)}{\text{Heat Rate} \left(\frac{^\circ\text{C}}{\text{min}} \right) \times \text{wt (mg)}} \times 60 \left(\frac{\text{sec}}{\text{min}} \right)$$

Heating rate (°C/min)	Heat flow (mW)	Uncalibrated Cp (J/g°C)	Actual Cp = Apparent Cp x K (the heat capacity calibration constant)
2.5	0.8402	2.008	
5	1.657	1.980	
10	3.313	1.980	
20	6.620	1.978	

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Measuring Heat Capacity

- In a DSC experiment, heat capacity is measured as the absolute value of the heat flow, divided by the heating rate, and multiplied by a calibration constant.

$$dH/dt = C_p dT/dt$$

Sample Heat Capacity

$$C_p = \left[\frac{dH/dt}{dT/dt} \right] \times K$$

Heat Flow Heating Rate Calibration constant

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Calculating Heat Capacity

- Depending on the DSC that you have there are three different ways to calculate C_p
 - ASTM E1269 (Three Run Method)
 - ♦ Applicable to all DSC's
 - Direct C_p – Single Run Method
 - ♦ Applicable to DSC 2500, Discovery DSC, Q2000/1000 only
 - ♦ Fastest determination
 - MDSC® - Single Run Method
 - ♦ Any DSC w/ MDSC option
 - ♦ Most accurate determination

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Conventional Method for Cp by DSC (ASTM E1269)

- ASTM E1269: Standard Test Method for Determining Specific Heat Capacity by Differential Scanning Calorimetry
 - Requires three discrete experiments
 - ◆ Baseline
 - ◆ Sapphire
 - ◆ Sample
 - Method
 - 1: Equilibrate at XX.00°C
 - 2: Isothermal for 10.00 min
 - 3: Ramp 20.00°C/min to XX.00°C
 - 4: Isothermal for 10.00 min

The sample weight must be constant throughout the ramp.

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ASTM Method E1269 (Three-Run Method)

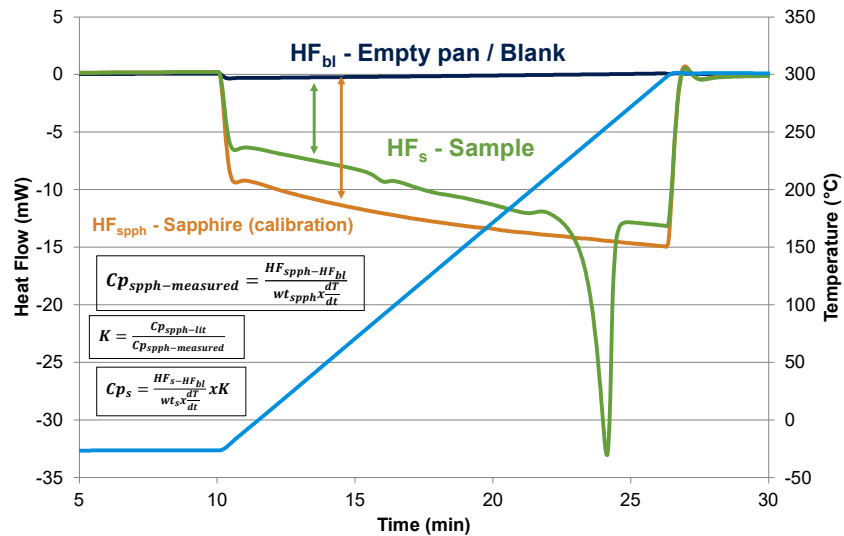
- Three experiments are run over a specific temperature range
 - Allow 10 minute isothermal at start and end
 - Use 10-20°C/min heating rate
- 1. Empty pan run (**Baseline run**)
 - Match pan/lid weights to ± 0.05 mg
 - Used to establish a reference baseline (absolute heat flow)
- 2. Sapphire run
 - Used to determine calibration constant
 - Use same weight of pan/lid as above ± 0.05 mg
 - Typical weight is 20 – 25 mg
- 3. Sample run
 - Typical weight is 10 – 15 mg
 - Use same weight of pan/lid as above ± 0.05 mg

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ASTM E1269 “3-Run” Method for Determining Cp



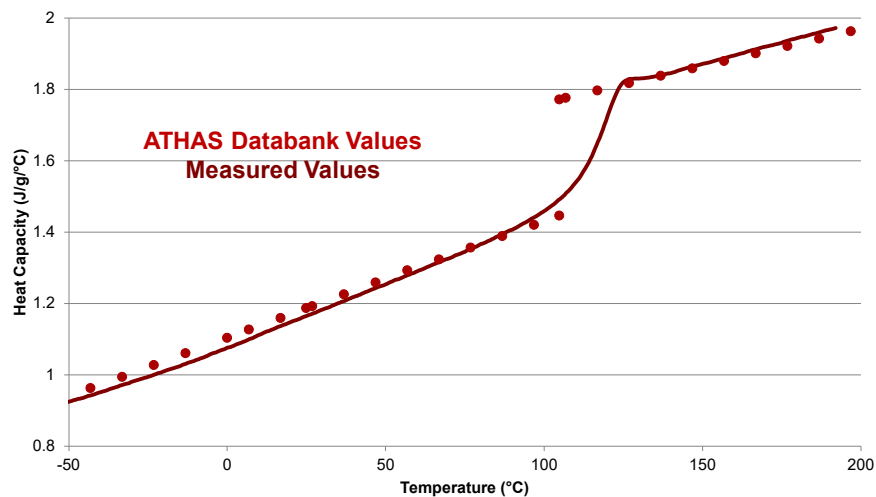
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Direct Cp Measurement

- Available in DSC's with T4P Heat flow mode: DSC 2500, Discovery DSC, Q2000
- Sapphire used as a calibration standard
- Typical Method
 - Heat @10-20°C/min
- Sample Size ~10mg
- For best results – use lowest mass pans possible

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Direct Cp of PMMA – DSC 2500



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Heat Capacity Measurement using Modulated DSC® (MDSC)

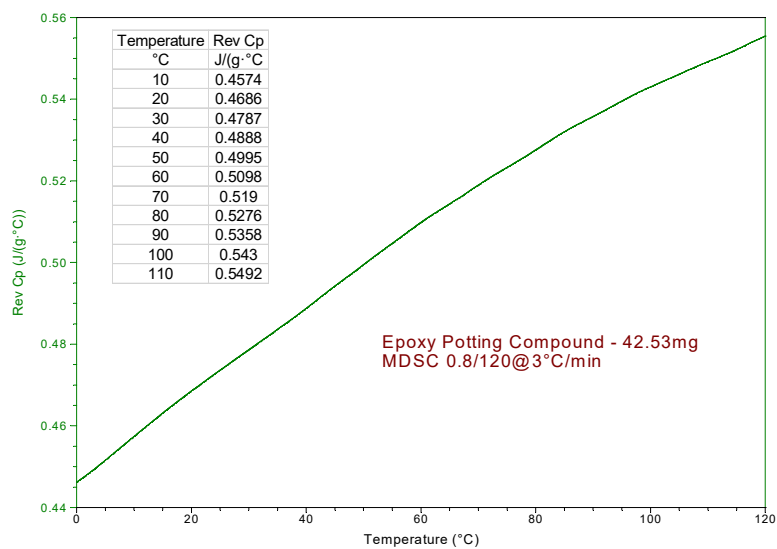
- Uses sinusoidal temperature ramp overlaid upon linear ramp
- Separates Heat Capacity and Kinetic transitions
- Increases sensitivity to Heat Capacity changes (e.g. Tg)
- Can determine Cp directly in a single run
- Best available measurement of Heat Capacity
- Accurate & repeatable to within 1-2% or better

Recommended Test Conditions

- Period
120 seconds
- Heating rate
2-3°C/min
- Amplitude
±1°C

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Heat Capacity by MDSC

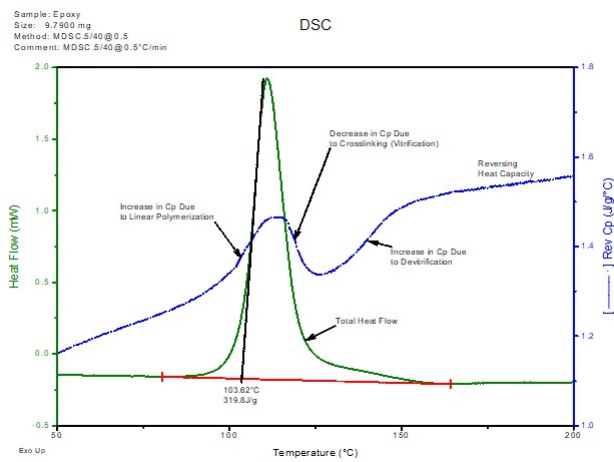


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Change in Cp During Cure Is Not Reversible

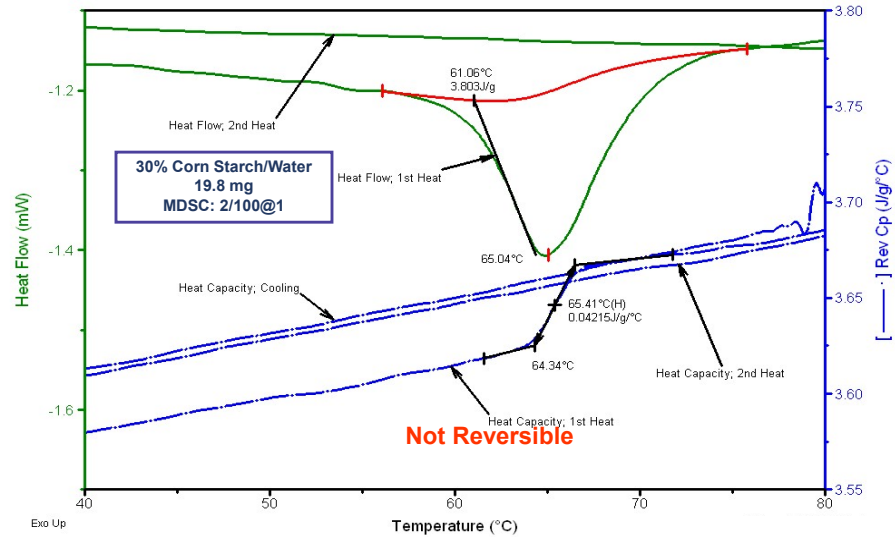
Sample: Epoxy
Size: 9.79 mg
Method: MDSC at 0.5°C/min



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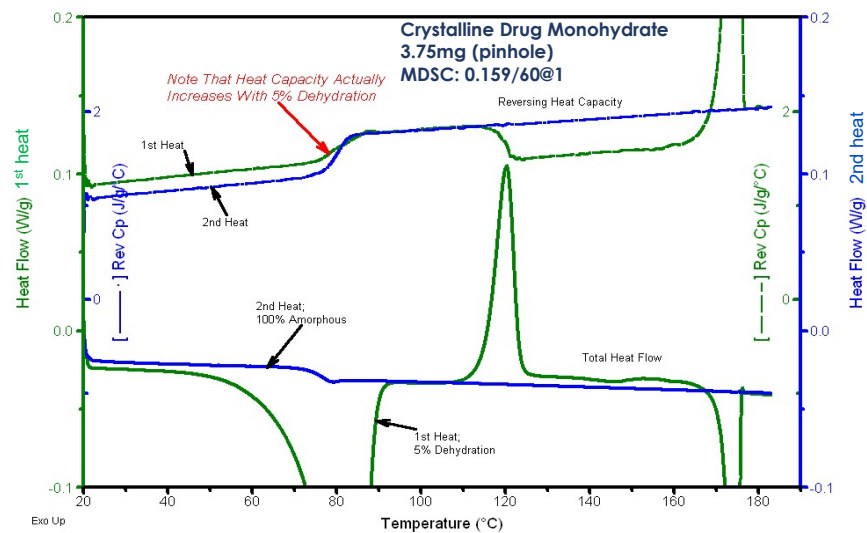
Change in Cp During Starch Gelatinization



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Cp Signals Show Changes in Structure – Pharmaceutical Material



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Quasi-Isothermal Heat Capacity

- MDSC® can also measure heat capacity isothermally (quasi-isothermally) – standard DSC can't do this
- Benefit is to measure structure changes over time

Changes in heat capacity



Changes in mobility



Changes in structure

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Quasi Isothermal MDSC for Specific Heat Capacity - Procedure

1. Accurately weigh the mass of sapphire and pan
2. Accurately weigh the mass of a reference pan of the same type
3. Set the following conditions
 - Amplitude: +/- 1 °C
 - Modulation Period: 120 s
 - Isothermal Temperature: **Set to your desired lower temperature**
 - Isothermal Time: 15 min (this is a good starting point)
 - Temperature Increment: **Set to the desired temperature interval**
 - Number of Increments: **Set to the number of intervals you need**

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Quasi Isothermal MDSC for Specific Heat Capacity – Procedure in TRIOS

Procedure

Mode: **Modulated** Test: **MDSC Quasi-Isothermal**

Name: MDSC Quasi-Isothermal

Template Segments

Modulate Temperature Amplitude ± 1.000 °C

Modulation period 120.0 s

Isothermal temperature 10.00 °C

Isothermal time 15.0 min

Temperature increment 5.00 °C

Number of increments 8

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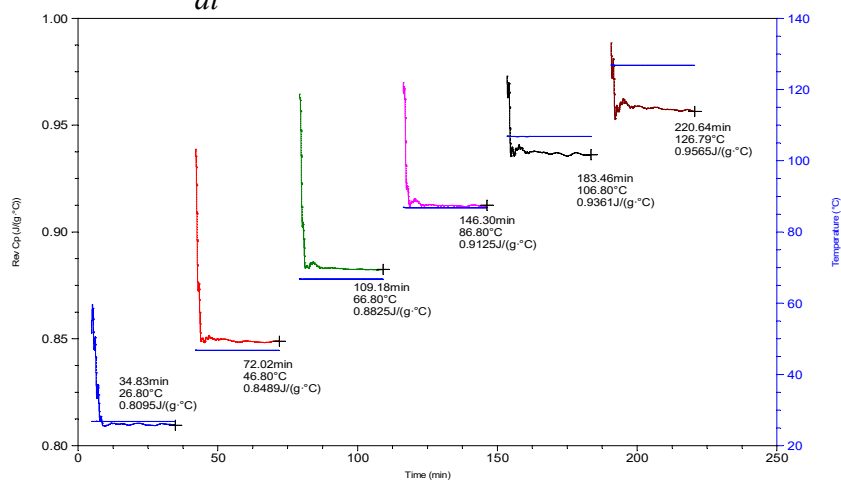


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Cp of Sapphire Standard: Determining KCp (reversing)

Sample: Sapphire
Size: 24.6900 mg

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = Cp(\omega A_T \cos \omega t)$$



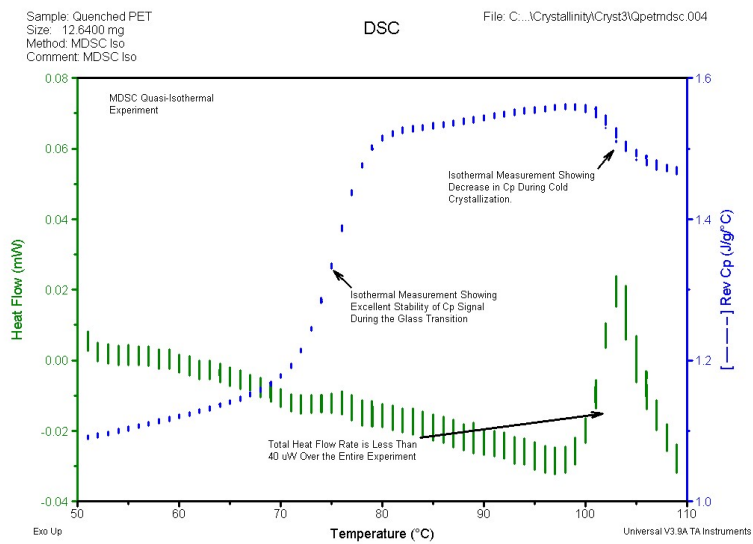
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Quasi-Isothermal MDSC®



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KCp (reversing): Temperature Dependence

Temperature (°C)	Experimental Cp (J/(g·°C))	Literature Cp (J/(g·°C))	KCp (Lit. Cp/ Exp. Cp)
26.85	0.8095	0.7788	0.96
46.85	0.8489	0.8188	0.96
66.85	0.8825	0.8548	0.96
86.85	0.9125	0.8871	0.97
106.85	0.9361	0.9161	0.97

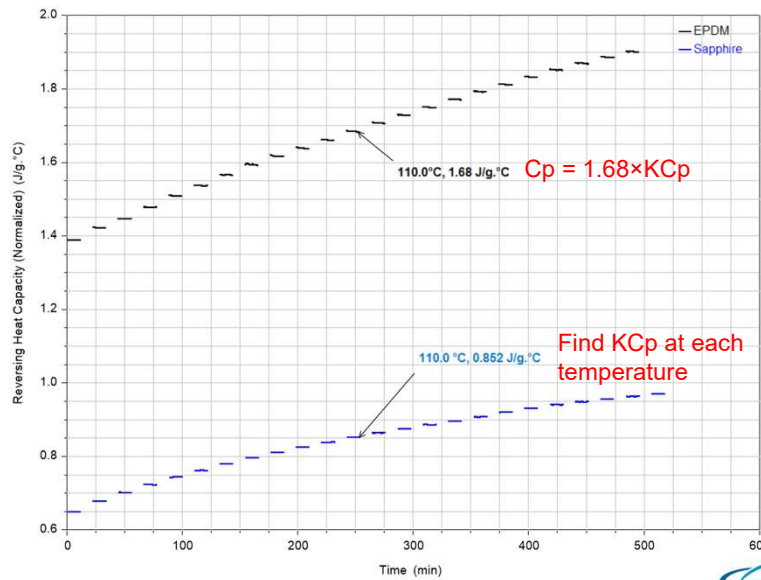
$$KCp = \frac{Cp^{Theo.}}{Cp^{Meas.}}$$

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Quasi Isothermal MDSC® for Specific Heat Capacity

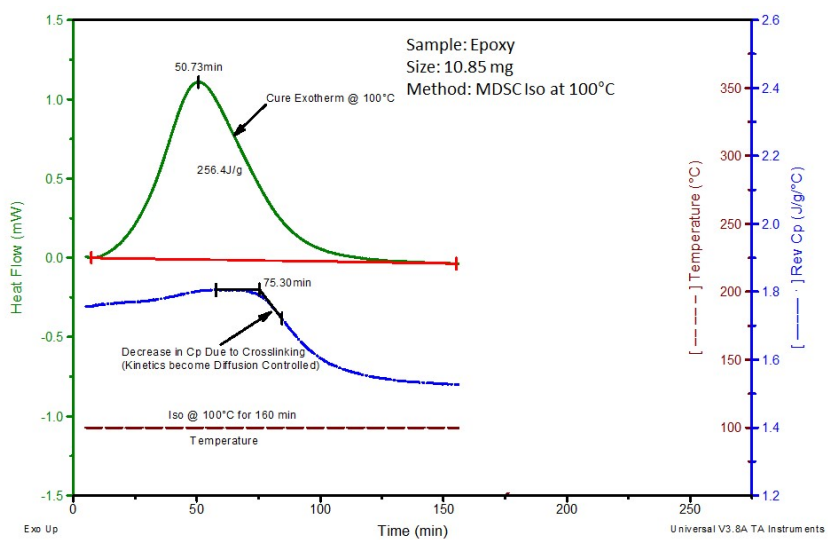


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Epoxy Cure with Quasi-Isothermal MDSC®

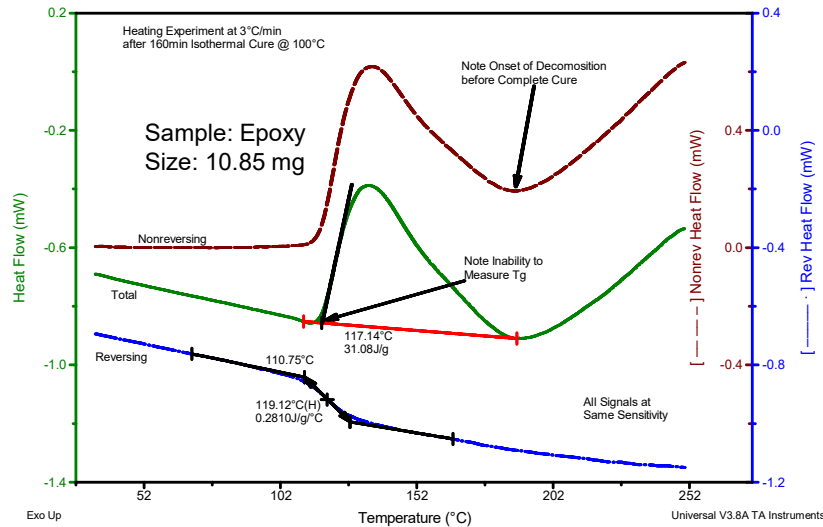


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Advantage of MDSC® for Post Cure Scan



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What Affects the Specific Heat Capacity?

- Amorphous Content
- Aging
- Side Chains
- Polymer Backbone
- Copolymer Composition
- Anything that affects the mobility of the molecules, affects the Heat Capacity
- Amorphous C_p is greater than Crystalline C_p
- Amorphous Content increases Specific Heat Capacity

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The Glass Transition Temperature (Amorphous Structure)



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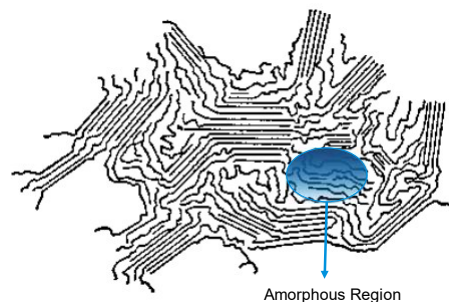
Characterization of Amorphous Structure

- Amorphous Structure

- Randomly oriented molecules
- No long-range order
- Liquids, glassy or rubbery solids
- Most polymers are either amorphous or semi-crystalline

- Glass Transition (T_g)

- Due to amorphous (non-crystalline) structure
- Due to macro-molecular motion (translational); i.e., the entire molecule is free to move relative to adjacent molecules.
- Extremely important transition because the significant change in molecular mobility at T_g causes significant changes in physical and reactive properties.



Amorphous Region

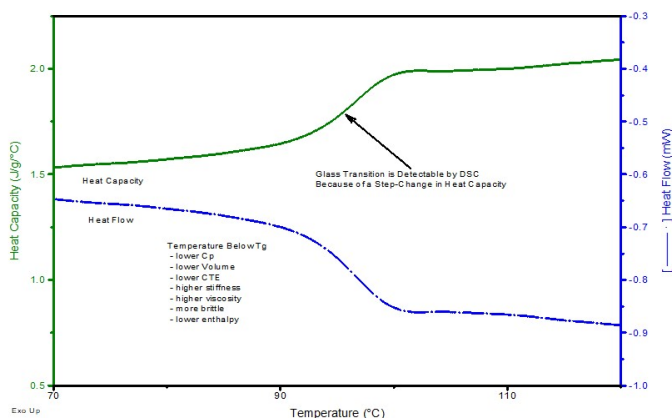
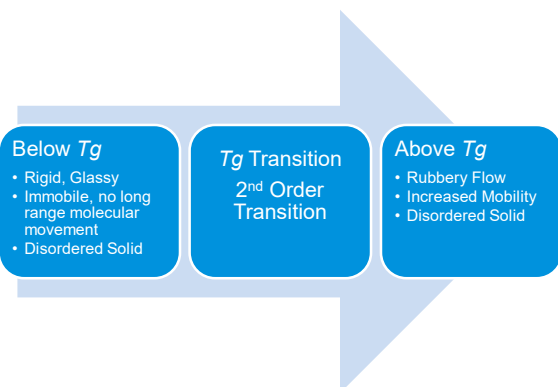
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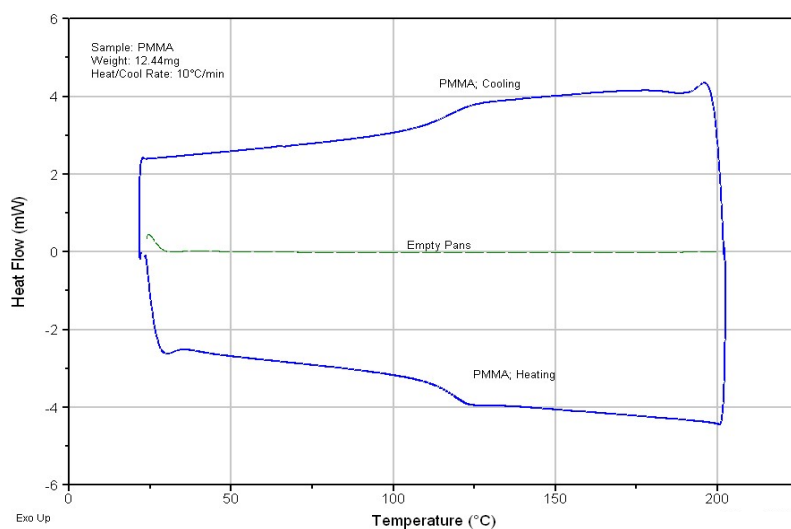
The Glass Transition (T_g)

- The glass transition is a change in the free volume and molecular mobility in the amorphous phase of a material that results in a step change in heat capacity.



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A Glass Transition is Reversible



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Factors affecting Glass Transition and Other Tg measurement Techniques

- Heating Rate
- Heating & Cooling
- Aging
- Molecular Weight
- Plasticizer
- Filler
- Crystalline Content
- Copolymers
- Side Chains
- Polymer Backbone
- Hydrogen Bonding

Anything that affects the mobility of the molecules, affects the Heat Capacity and, in turn, the Glass Transition

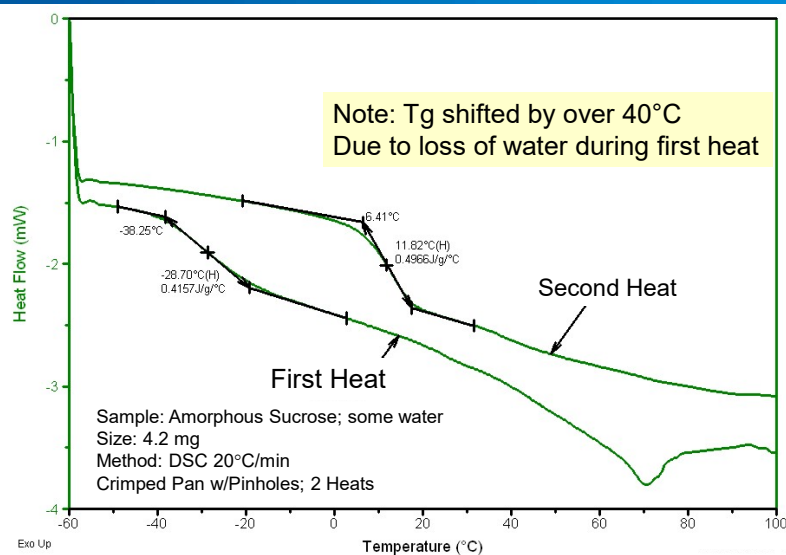
- The T_g can also be measured by other techniques apart from the standard DSC
 - Using Modulated DSC (MDSC)
 - Thermomechanical Analysis (TMA)
 - Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA)
- Sensitivity of the technique to detect a glass transition:
 - Standard DSC < MDSC < TMA < DMA

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Effect of Moisture on Tg by DSC

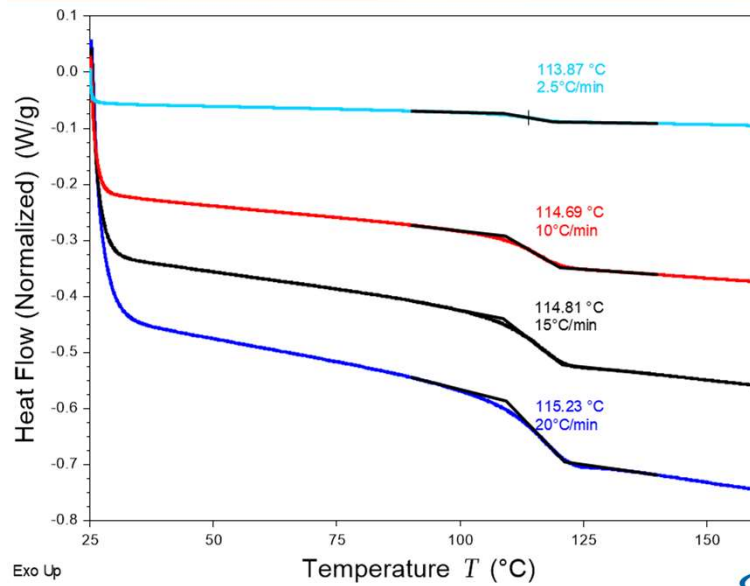


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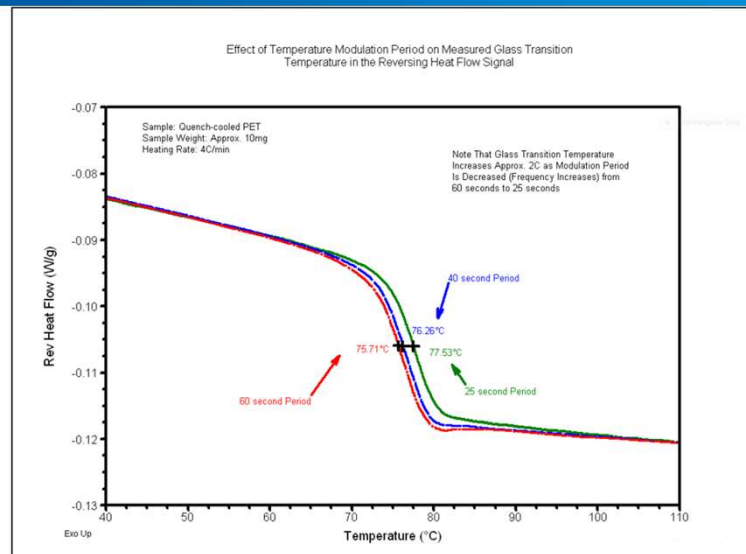
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10mg PMMA Sample at Different Heating Rates



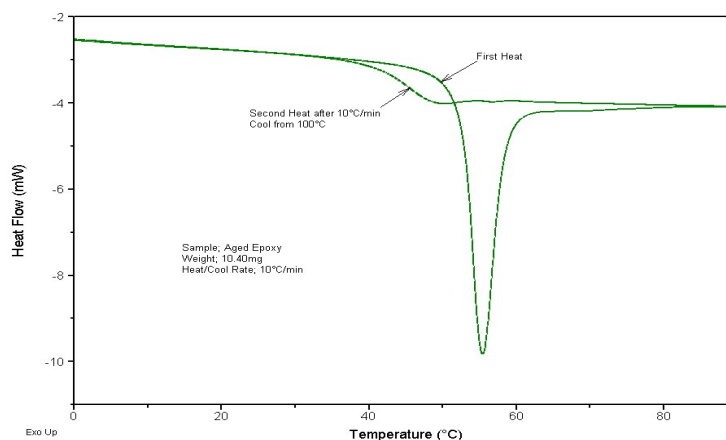
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MDSC: Effect of Frequency on T_g



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Aged Epoxy: The T_g On The First Heat Cycle



Depending on the thermal history of amorphous (glassy) polymers, the glass transition can appear as a simple step in the baseline or one that has a substantial *endothermic peak* that can be misinterpreted as a melting peak.

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Enthalpic Recovery

- By heating a sample above the glass transition temperature and then cooling it back to room temperature, the previous thermal history is erased.
 - The **second heat** typically shows the true properties of the material rather than the material properties with some processing effects
- The endothermic peak that develops in the glass transition with aging at temperatures below the glass transition temperature is due to “enthalpic relaxation.” This peak is known as enthalpic recovery.
 - It is due to the fact that amorphous materials are not in thermodynamic equilibrium but, with time, do relax and move towards equilibrium.

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Enthalpic Relaxation and Recovery

- Enthalpic Relaxation

- The process of a meta-stable glass relaxing towards equilibrium at a temperature below T_g
- Occurs as the sample is being cooled to temperatures below T_g
- Occurs as the sample is being stored at temperatures below T_g

- Enthalpic Recovery

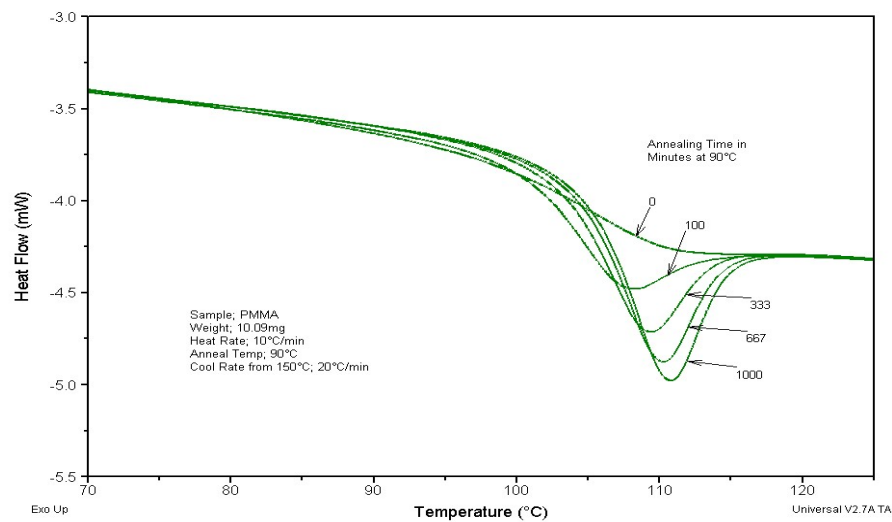
- The recovery of energy (J/g) lost during Enthalpic Relaxation. It (peak in DSC data @ T_g) occurs as the sample is heated to a temperature above T_g

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Effect of Annealing on the T_g



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Measuring Tg in Complex Samples with MDSC®

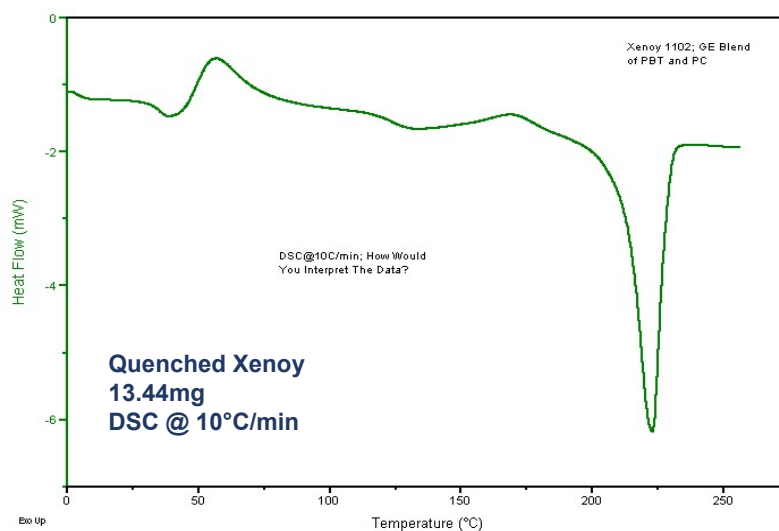
- Complex samples can have overlapping transitions which make it difficult to detect or measure Tg
- MDSC experimental conditions which provide some cooling during temperature modulation are recommended – adds sensitivity
- Use an underlying heating rate that is slow enough to provide 4 or more modulation cycles over the transition of interest in order to improve separation of overlapping events (resolution)

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DSC of Complex Polymer Blend

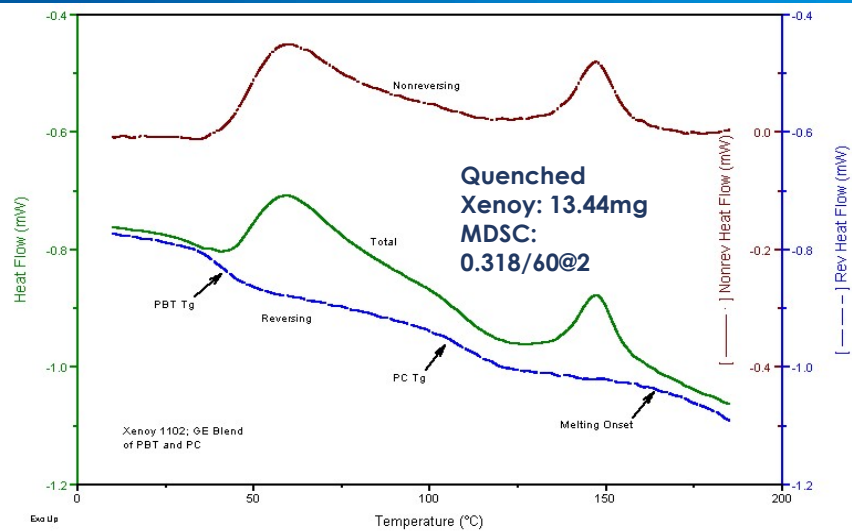


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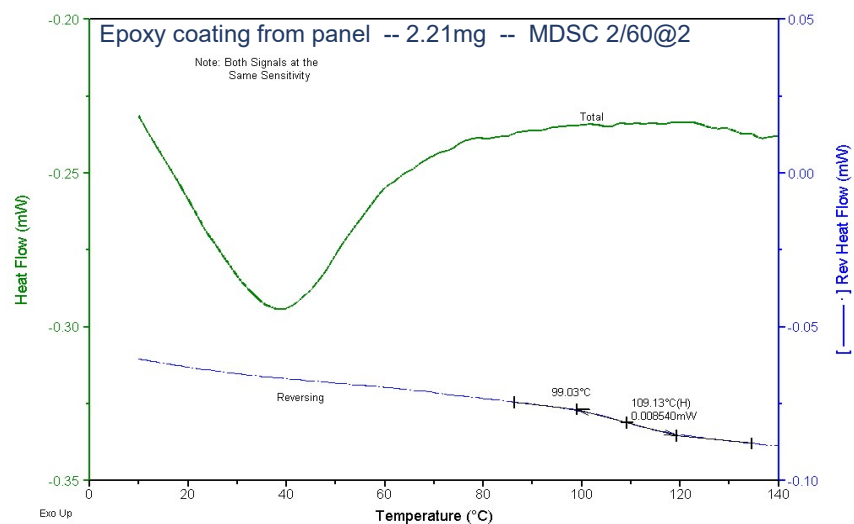
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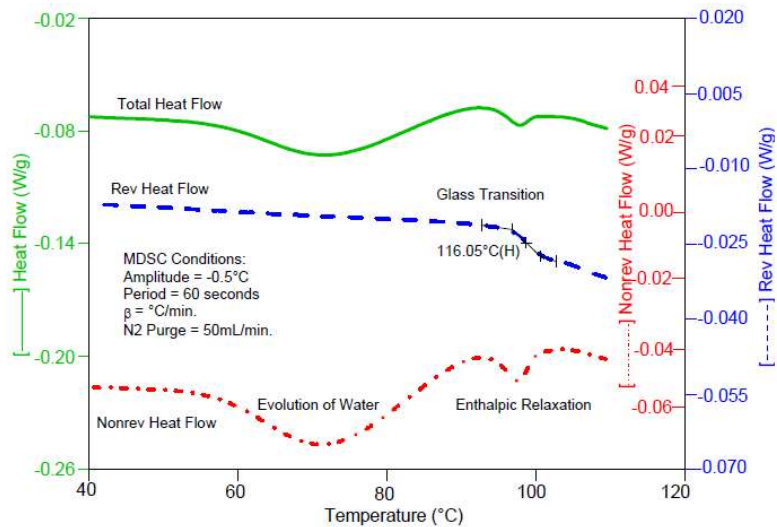
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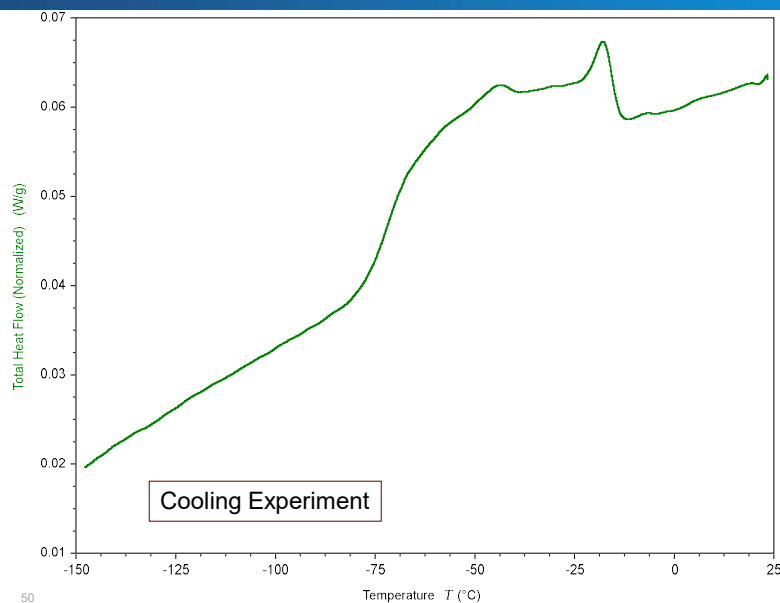
Glass Transition of Lactose by MDSC®



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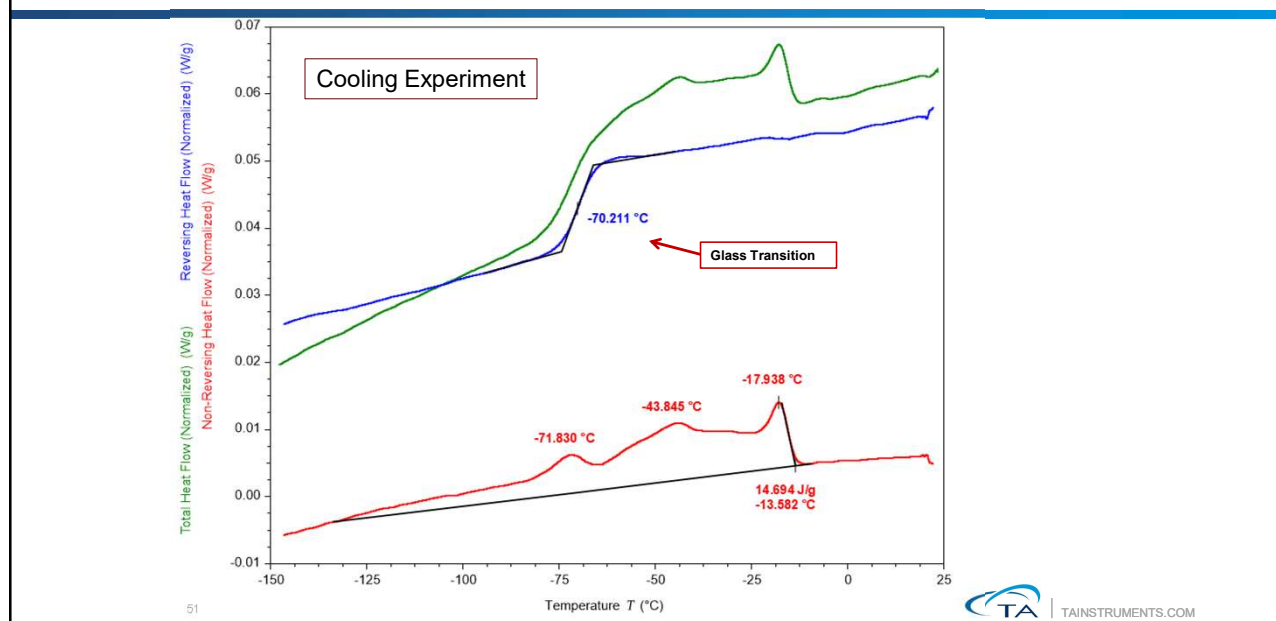
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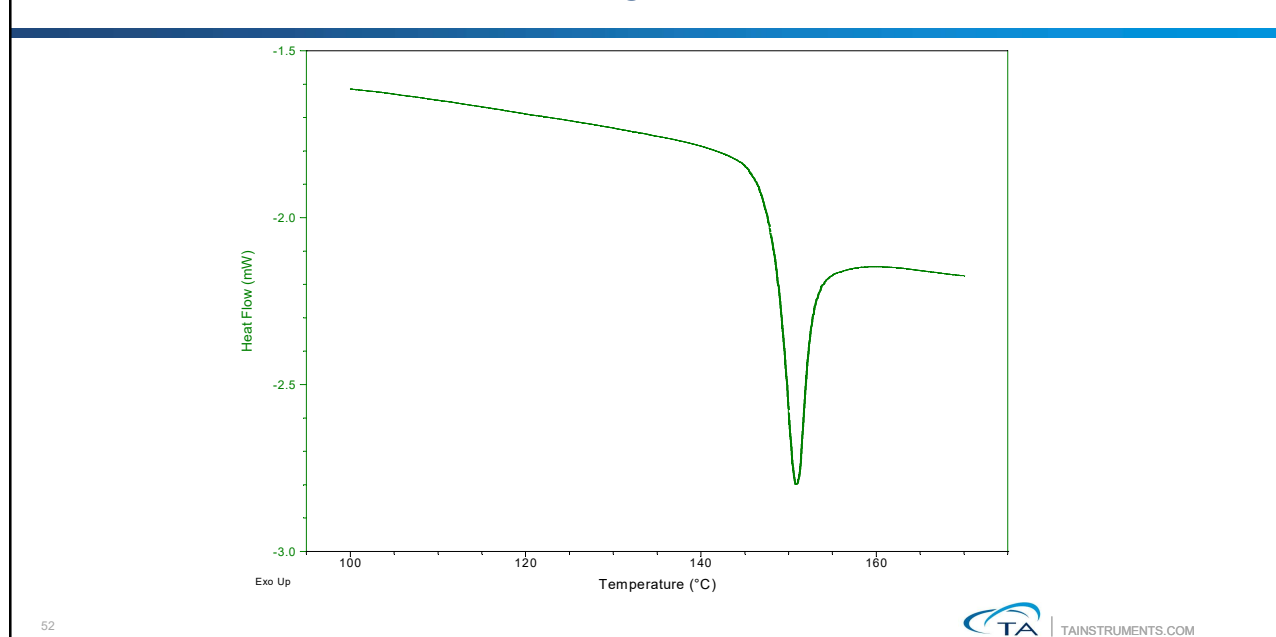
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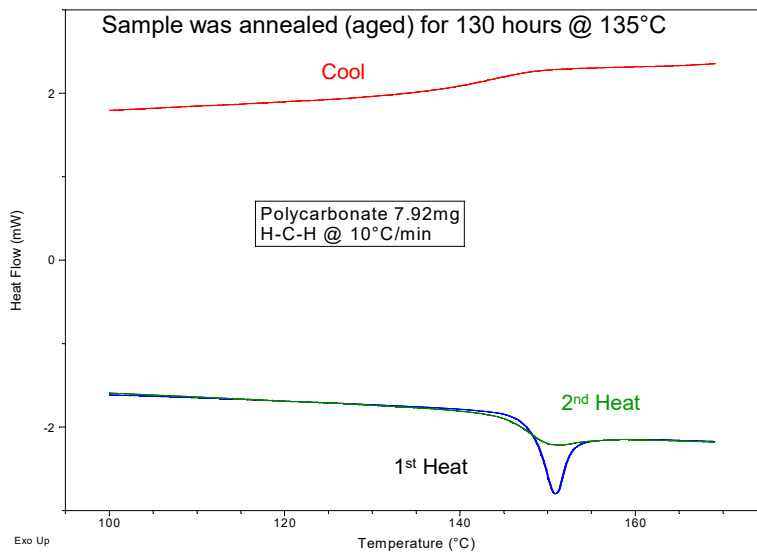
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Is this a Tg or a Melt?



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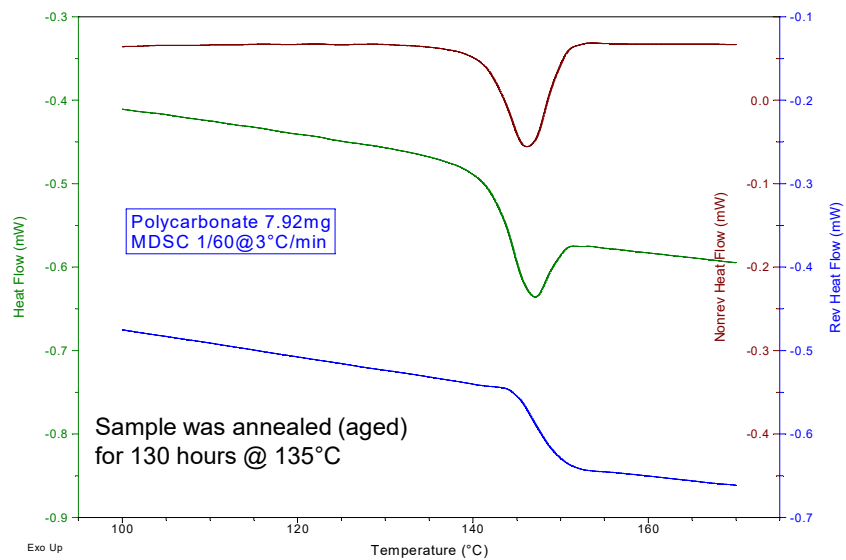
Now – Is this a Tg or a Melt?



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MDSC of Aged Polycarbonate



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Is it a Tg?

- If not sure if a transition is a Tg
 - Run Heat-Cool-Heat (H-C-H)
 - ◆ If transition is a Tg then it should be present on cooling curve and 2nd heat
 - Run MDSC
 - ◆ A Tg will always show up in the Reversing Curve of a MDSC experiment
 - ◆ Use “conventional MDSC” template
 - ◆ Period: 60 seconds
 - ◆ Amplitude: 1°C
 - ◆ Rate: 2-3°C/min
 - Run TMA or DMA

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Melting and Crystallization Analysis (Crystalline Structure)



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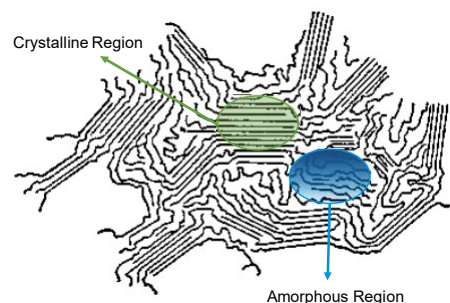
Semi-Crystalline Polymers

- Crystalline Structure –

- Molecules arranged in well defined structures
- Consists of repeating units
- Polymers can have crystalline phases
 - ◆ Length of molecules prevents complete crystallization

- Semi-crystalline Polymers –

- Both amorphous & crystalline solid phases
- Examples are most common thermoplastics
 - ◆ Polyethylene, Polypropylene, etc



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Study of melting/crystallization using a DSC

- Melting is the process of converting solid, crystalline structure (lower energy) to a liquid amorphous structure (higher energy).

- Melting:

- low energy state → high energy state; requires input of energy; Endothermic peak

- Crystallization – The process of converting either solid amorphous structure (cold crystallization on heating) or liquid amorphous structure (cooling) to a more organized solid crystalline structure

- Crystallization:

- high energy state → low energy state; releases energy; Exothermic peak

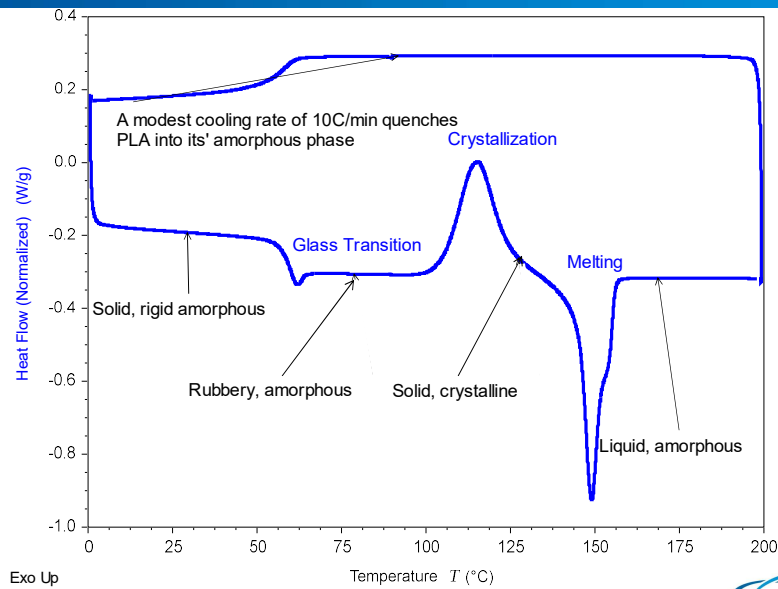
- We integrate these peaks, on a time basis to determine the Heat of Fusion (melting) and Heat of crystallization

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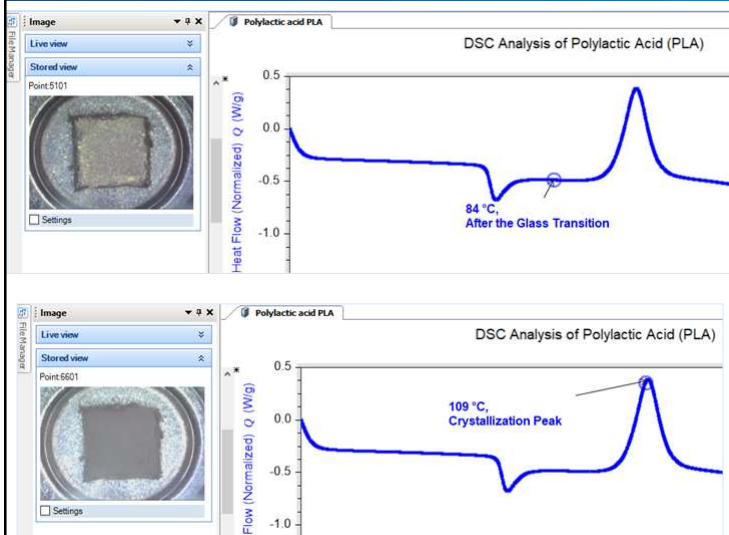
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DSC Analysis of Polylactic Acid (PLA)



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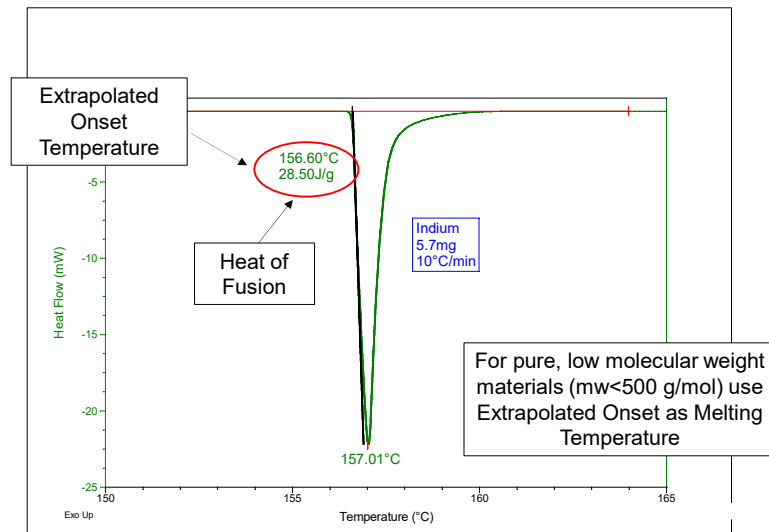
Discovery DSC Microscope Accessory



Provides imaging and video capabilities during a DSC measurement on the Discovery DSC 2500, 250 and 25

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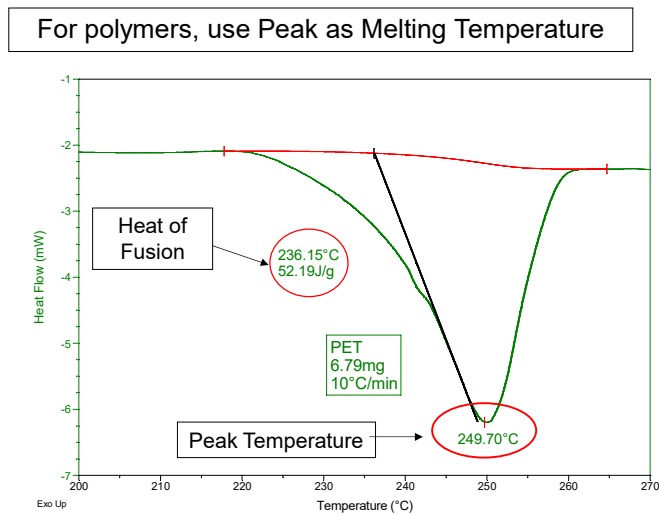
Melting of Indium – (Low molecular weight)



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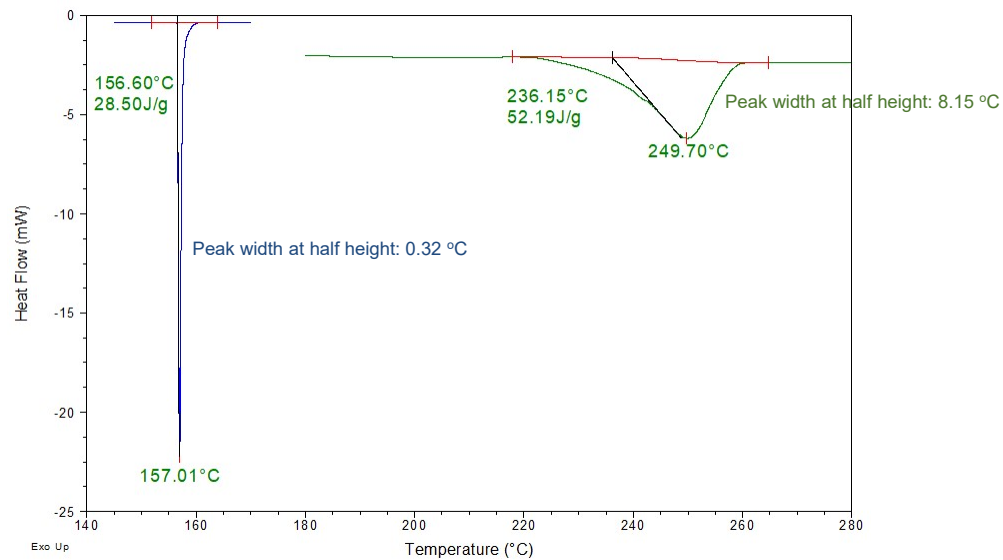
Melting of PET – (High molecular weight)



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Comparison of Melting of Polymer and Metal



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Definitions of some terms commonly used in crystallinity analysis

- **Thermodynamic Melting Temperature** – The temperature where a crystal would melt if it had a perfect structure (crystal with no defects)
- **Metastable Crystals** – Crystals that melt at lower temperature due to small size (high surface area) and poor quality (large number of defects)
- **Crystal Perfection** – The process of less perfect crystals (metastable) melting at a temperature below their thermodynamic melting point and then (re) crystallizing into more perfect crystals that will melt again at a higher temperature.

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Crystal Structure Analysis

- Crystal structure is typically broken down during the process of melting
- The formation of crystalline structure or crystallization can occur during heating or cooling
 - Cold crystallization occurs on heating when a solid amorphous material becomes ordered
 - Crystallization on cooling occurs when the liquid amorphous material solidifies into an ordered solid
- Typically, the same amount of energy required to create the structure during crystallization is also required to break down the crystal structure during melting

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Selecting Experimental Conditions for Crystallinity Studies

- During first heat the maximum temperature must be higher than the end of melting peak; eventually an isothermal period must be introduced
 - Too high temperature/time:
 - ◆ decomposition could occur
 - Too low temperature/time:
 - ◆ possibly subsequent memory effect because of the fact that crystalline order is not completely destroyed
- For non-crystallizable (amorphous) polymers the maximum temperature should be above T_g (removal of relaxation effects, avoid decomposition)
 - MDSC Test conditions:
 - Use "MDSC Heat-only" template
 - Period: 60 seconds
 - (template calculates amplitude for you)
 - Heating rate: 2-3°C/min

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Heat capacity baseline and Integration Limits

- True Heat Capacity Baseline – Often called the thermodynamic baseline, it is the measured baseline (usually in heat flow rate units of mW) with all crystallization and melting removed.
 - Assumes no interference from other latent heat such as polymerization, cure, evaporation etc. over the crystallization/melting range.
- It is often difficult to select limits for integrating melting peaks
 - Integration should occur between two points on the heat capacity baseline
 - Heat capacity baselines for difficult samples can usually be determined by MDSC® or by comparing experiments performed at different heating rates

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Calculation of Initial Crystallinity

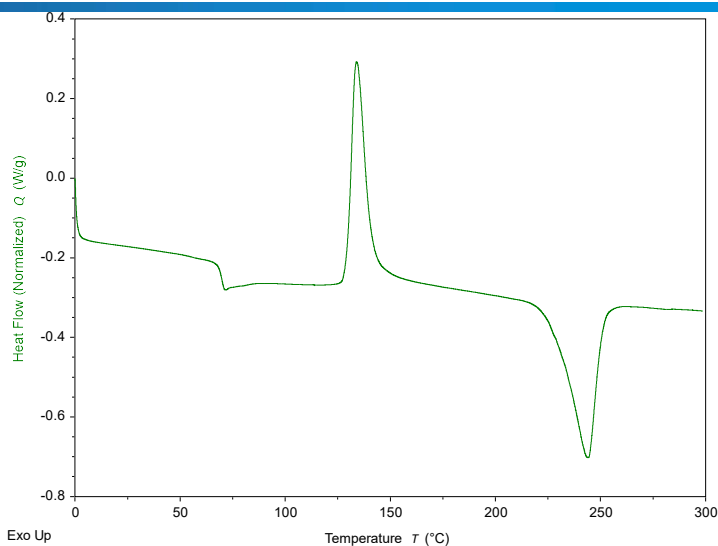
- Because crystalline structure can form as the sample is heated, the actual crystallinity of the sample is usually less than measured
- Sample must be pure material, not copolymer or filled
- Must know enthalpy of melting for 100% crystalline material (ΔH_{lit})
- You can use a standard ΔH_{lit} for relative crystallinity

For standard samples:

$$\% \text{ crystallinity} = 100 * \Delta H_m / \Delta H_{lit}$$

For samples with cold crystallization:

$$\% \text{ crystallinity} = 100 * (\Delta H_m - \Delta H_c) / \Delta H_{lit}$$



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PET Data from ATHAS

Poly(ethylene terephthalate) (PET)

Crystalline Calculated Data

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*           1993 Recommended Data of                      *
*           Thermodynamic Properties of Macromolecules     *
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Name : Poly(ethylene terephthalate)

File Name : PET

Structure : O=C(c1ccc(cc1)OC(=O)c2ccc(cc2)O)O
(O-C-C6H4-C-O-CH2-CH2-)

Calculate g/mole from
molecular structure which
equals 192 g/mole for PET

< Crystalline >

T	index	Cp	H - HO[C]	S	HO[C] - G
(K)	*	(J/K.mol)	(J/mol)	(J/K.mol)	(J/mol)
0.10	4	0.000	0.00	0.000	0.00
0.20	4	0.000	0.00	0.000	0.00
0.30	4	0.000	0.00	0.000	0.00

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ATHAS Summary Page for PET

Poly(ethylene terephthalate) (PET)

Summary

(c)	Tg	dCp	Tm	dHf	SHG	So	Theta1	Theta3	Hs	Cp
(a)	342	77.8 (4+1)	553	26.9	X	0	596	54	15	1.0-10
PET	8	8	10,43	10	8,57	33*	30	30	30	1.0-590

• Explanations

The data are separated into

- [Cp Experimental and Calculated -Crystalline](#)
- [Cp Experimental and Calculated -Amorphous](#)
- [Cp, H.S.G -Crystalline](#)
- [Cp, H.S.G -Amorphous](#)
- [Cp Figure, H.S.G Figure](#) These are picture files and may need some time to load.
- [References](#)

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URL : <http://funchebweb.utcc.utk.edu/~athas/.../phenylene/pet/pet.html>

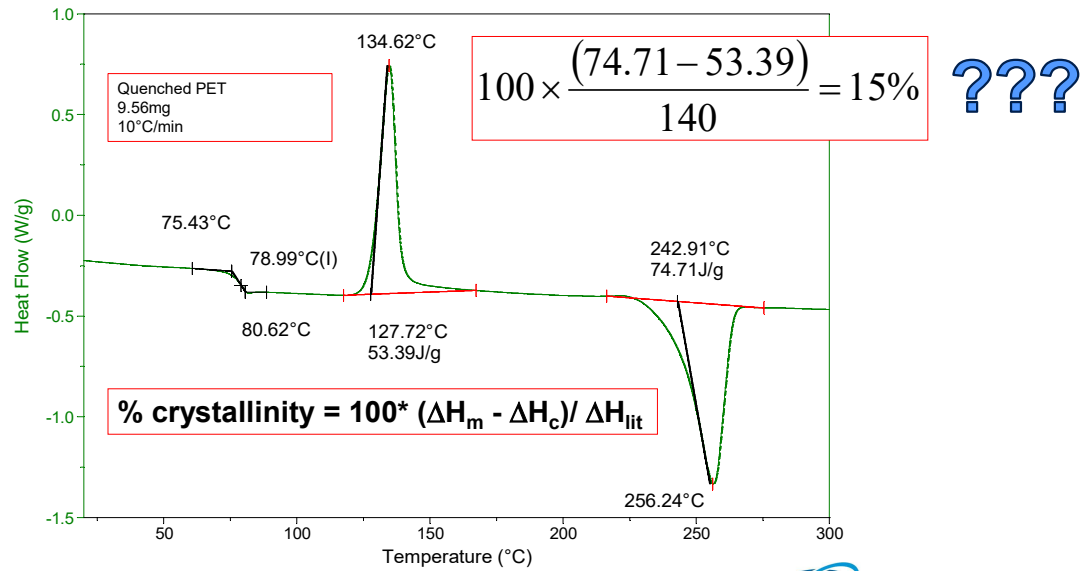
$$\frac{26.9 \text{ kJ/mol}}{192 \text{ g/mol}} \times 1000 = 140 \text{ J/g}$$

ΔH_f in kJ/mol

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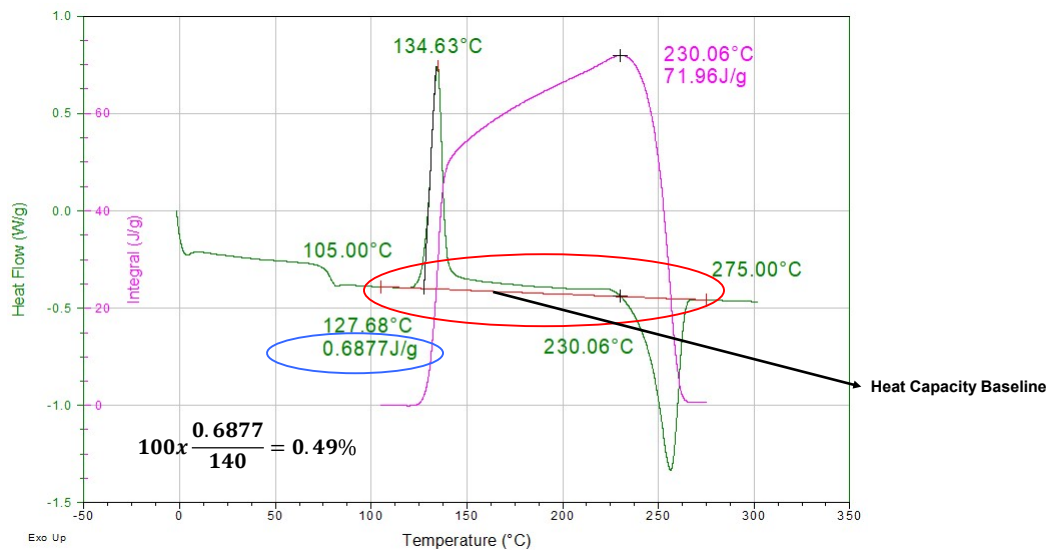
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Quench-cooled PET – calculation of initial crystallinity



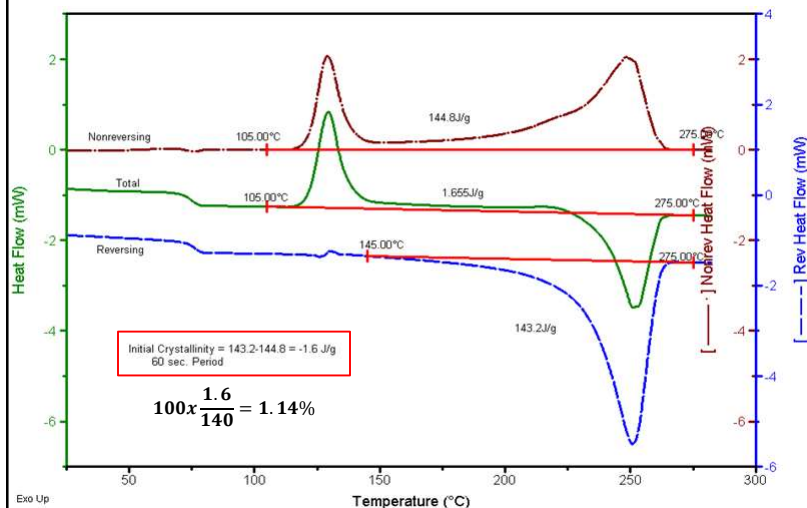
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Change in Crystallinity While Heating



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MDSC for measuring Initial Crystallinity



- MDSC "Initial Crystallinity" is always calculated from the sum of all crystallization exotherms and melting endotherms
- Integrate the Nonreversing signal from the start of crystallization to the end of melting
- Integrate the Reversing signal from the start of melting to the end of melting

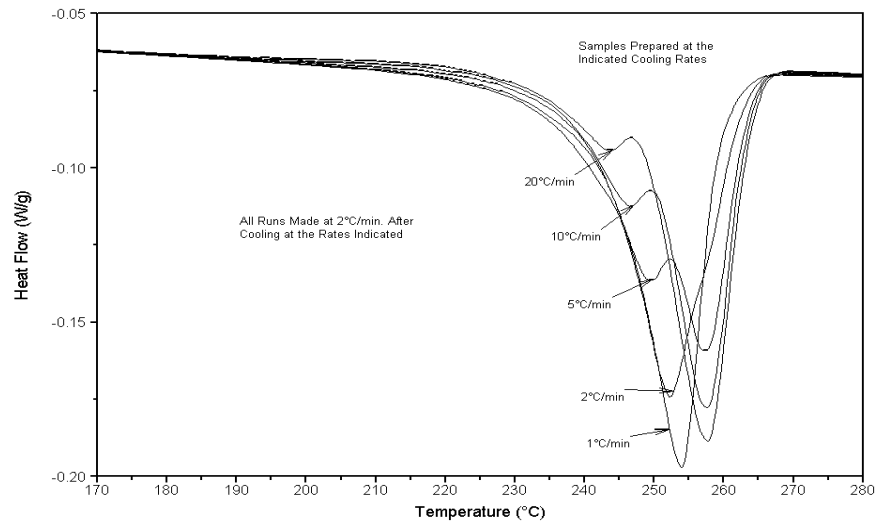
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Impact of crystal perfection on the melting peak

- The shape of the melting peak is also affected by crystal perfection processes that occur over the same temperature range as bulk melting.
 - This often gives the appearance of two melting peaks rather than what actually is an exothermic crystallization peak superimposed on an endothermic melting peak.

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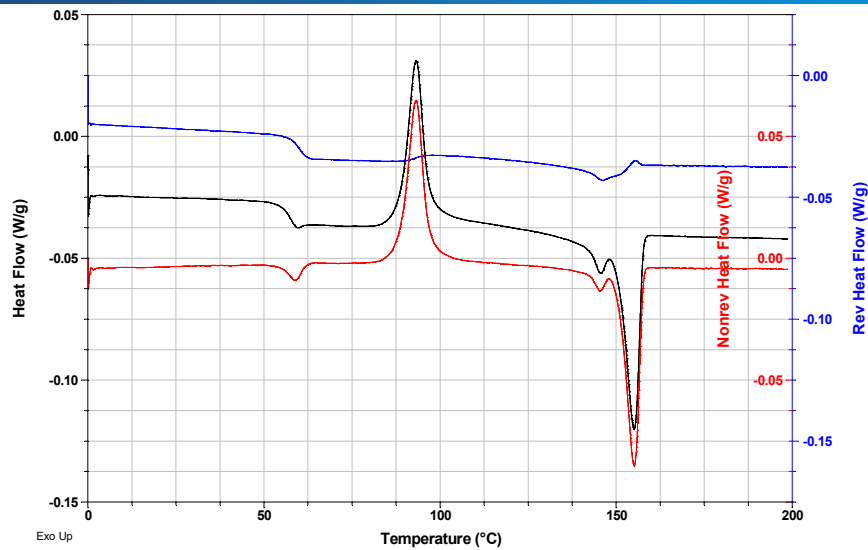
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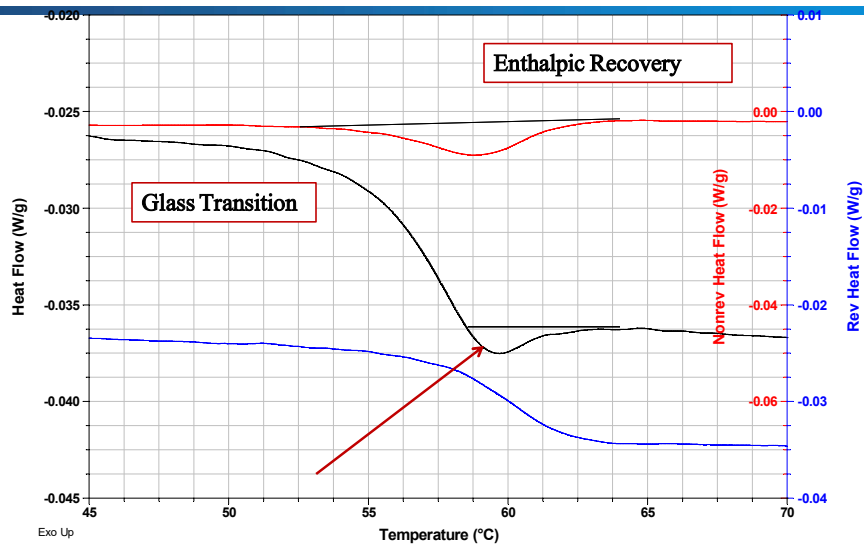
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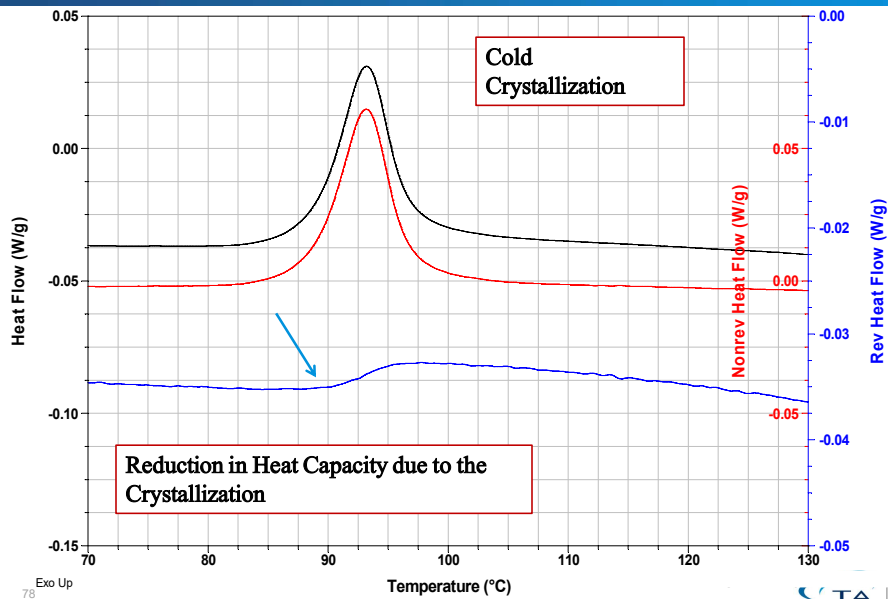
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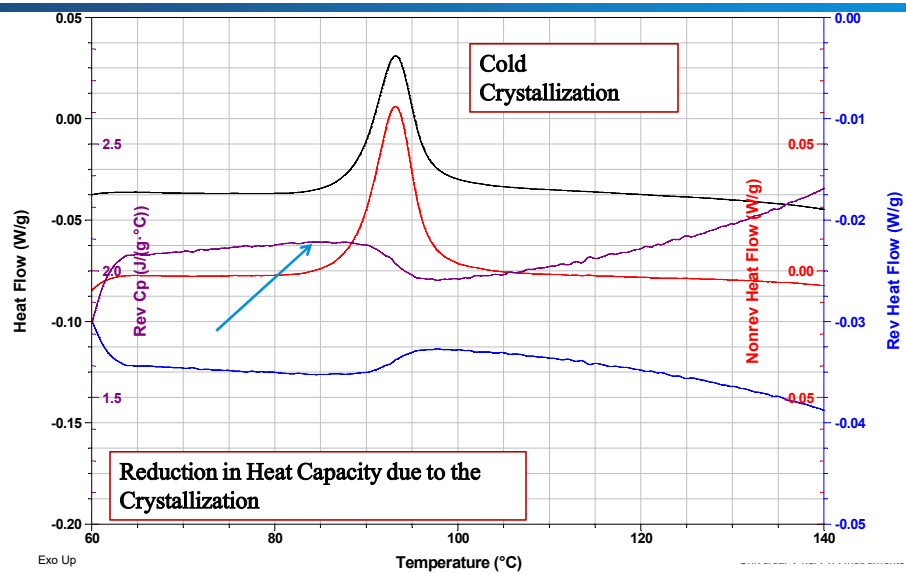
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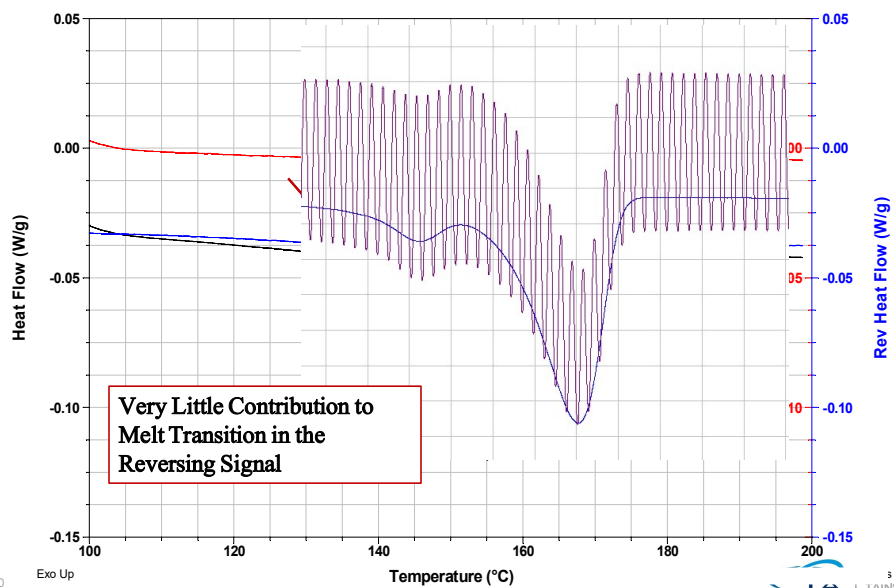


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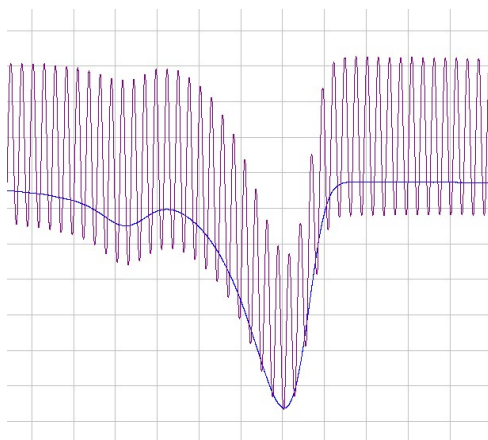
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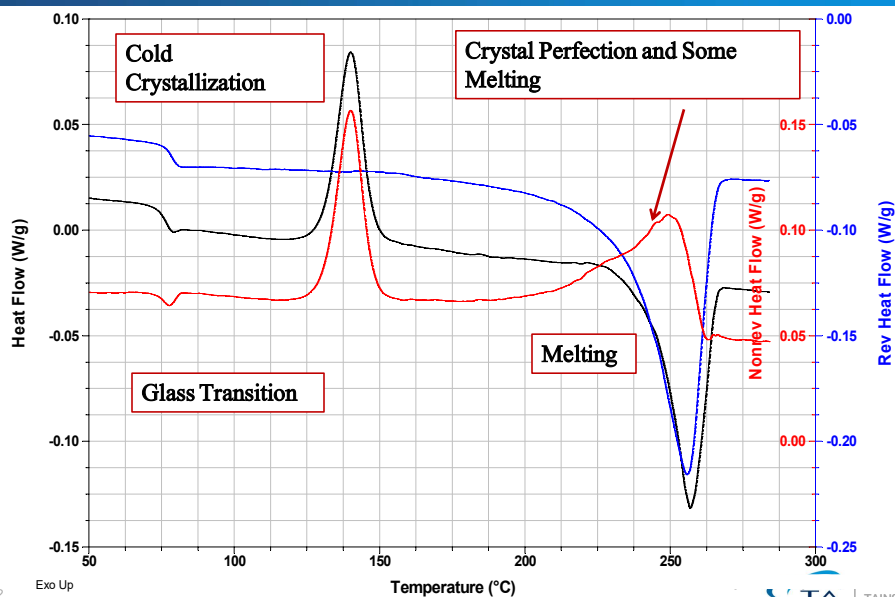
- Based on the number of modulations through the transition, it is reasonable to conclude that our experiment is valid.
- Sometimes we see this from highly crystalline materials.



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MDSC Applications: Polymer Transitions; PET



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Thermosets



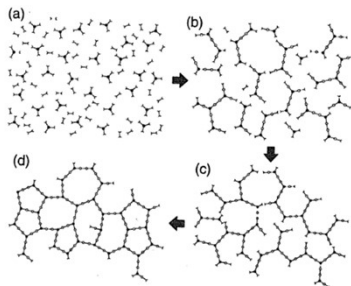
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Thermosetting Polymers

A “thermoset” is a cross-linked polymer formed by an irreversible exothermic chemical reaction

Thermosetting polymers react (**cross-link**) irreversibly. A+B will give out heat (**exothermic**) when they cross-link (**cure**).



-R. Bruce Prime, *Thermosets*, Thermal Characterization of Polymeric materials



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Typical properties of crosslinking reactions

- Crosslinking reactions are generally exothermic. The reactions can be easily monitored using a DSC.
 - **Heat of reaction**
 - **Residual cure**
 - **Glass transition**
 - **Heat capacity**
- Crosslinking reactions are generally accompanied by a sharp change in the material's mechanical properties.
- Increase in modulus that may be accompanied by shrinkage.
- The reactions can thus be monitored using a Thermo-mechanical Analyzer (TMA)/Dynamic Mechanical Analyzer (DMA)/Rheometer.
 - **Viscosity**
 - **Modulus**
 - **Glass transition**
 - **Dimension change (shrinkage)**

These techniques give useful information about the impact of the polymerization conditions on the end product's thermo-mechanical properties.

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DSC: General considerations for selecting optimum experimental conditions

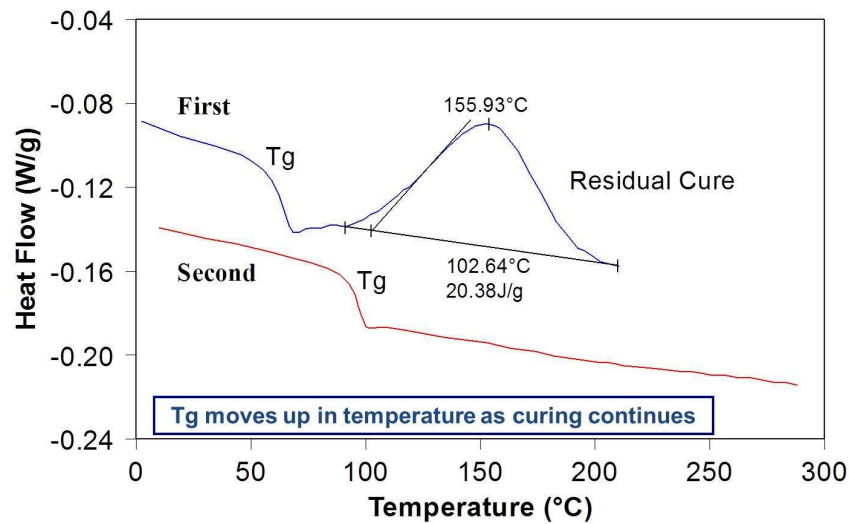
- Sample weight: 10–15 mg
- Pan types:
 - Solids – Standard aluminum pan/lid
 - Liquids – Hermetic aluminum pan/lid
- General protocol for studying thermosets:
 - **Determine decomposition temperature using TGA**
 - Heat-Cool-reheat at 10°C/min
 - First Heat is used to measure Tg of starting material, heat of reaction and presence of any reactive functional groups.
 - Second Heat is used to measure the Tg of the fully cured sample and any residual cure from the first heat.

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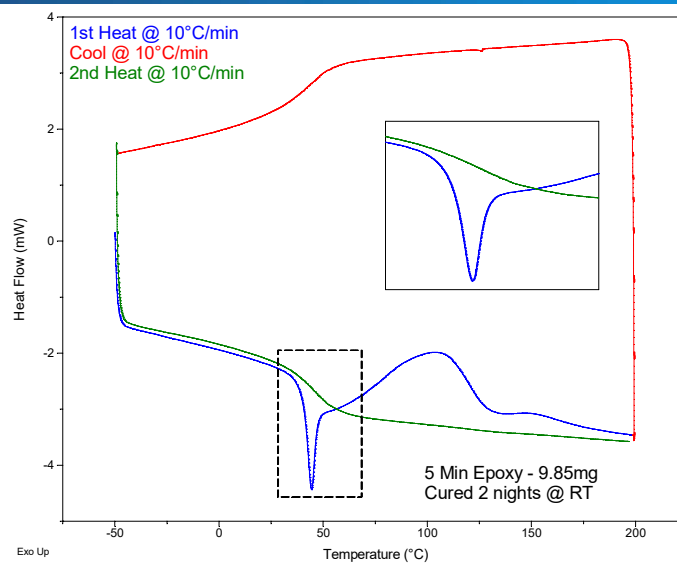
Comparison of First and Second Heats



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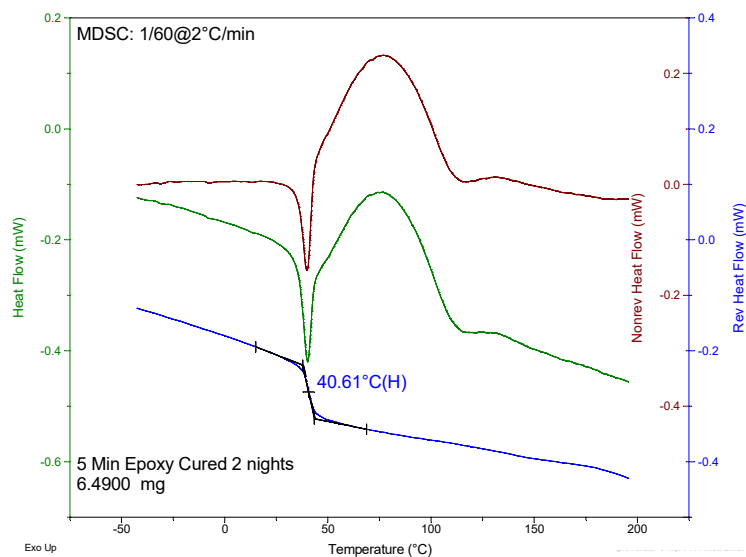
Epoxy Cured 48 Hours: Heat Cool Heat



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Rev-Heat Flow Easily Shows Tg



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Percent Cure Calculation by DSC

- Need Heat of Reaction (Enthalpy) of unreacted material curing
 - Typically run uncured material in DSC
- Run cured or partially cured sample in DSC

$$\% \text{ Uncured} = (\Delta H \text{ Residual Cure} / \Delta H \text{ Full Cure}) * 100$$

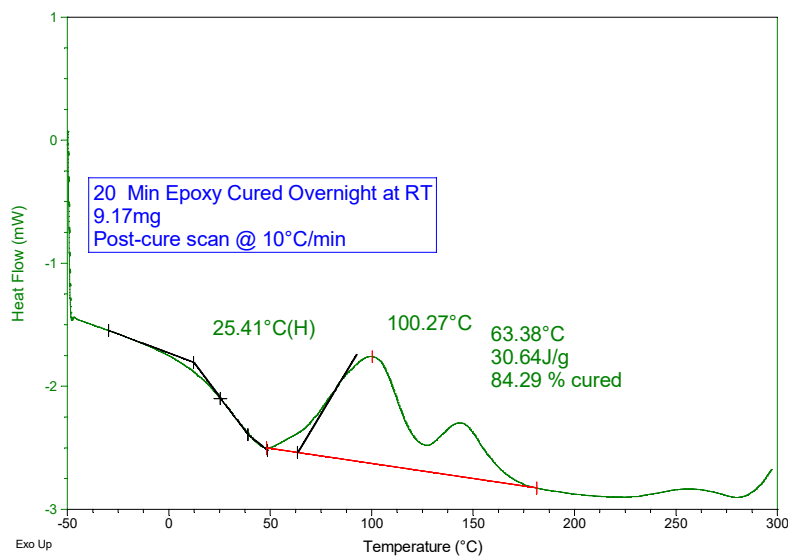
$$\% \text{ Cure} = 1 - (\Delta H \text{ Residual Cure} / \Delta H \text{ Full Cure}) * 100$$

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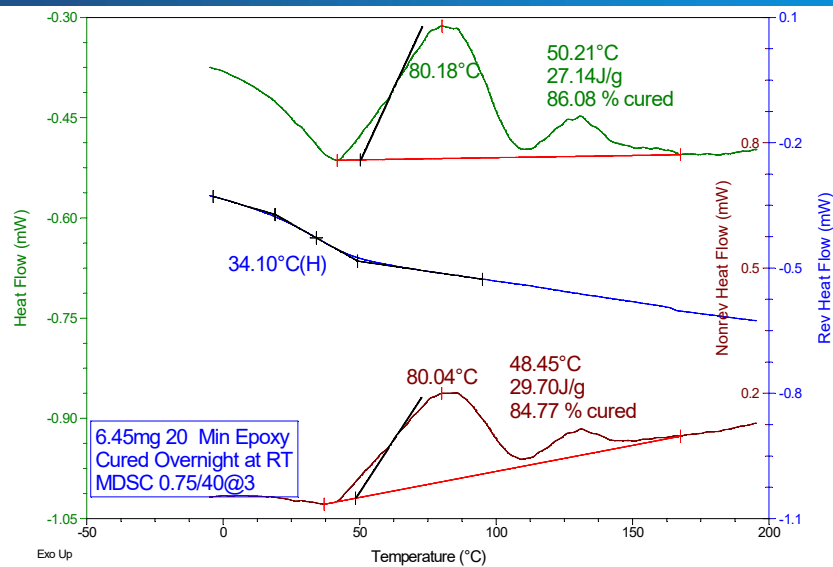
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Epoxy Cured Overnight at Room Temp – Standard DSC



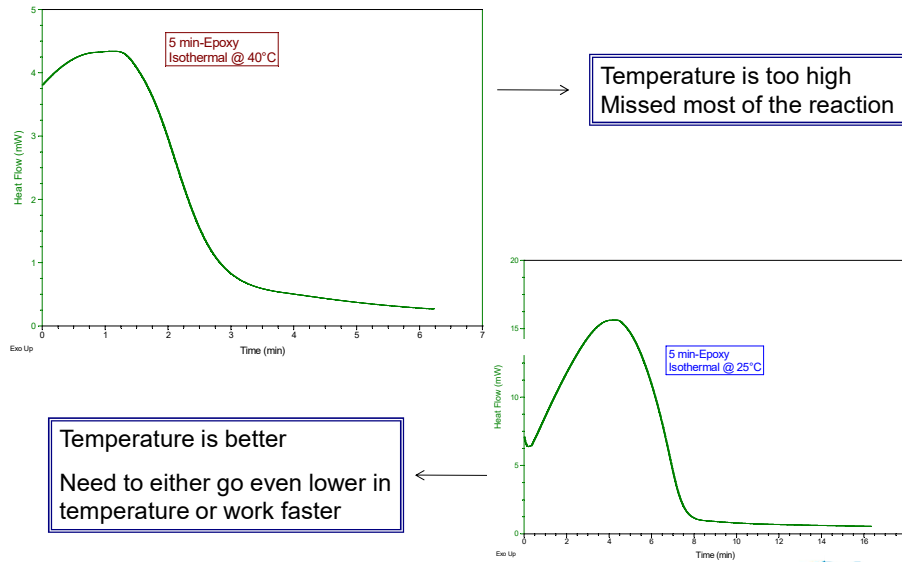
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Epoxy Cured Overnight at Room Temp - MDSC



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Isothermal curing of a Thermosetting Material

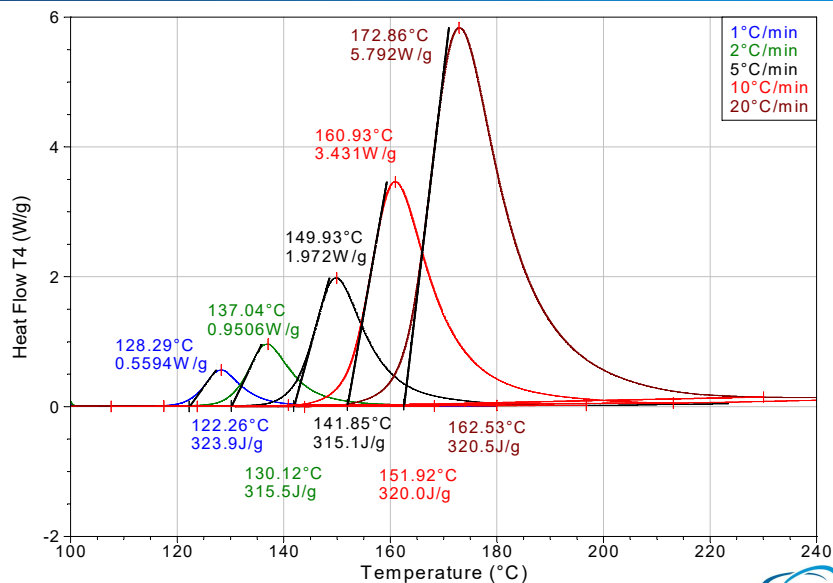


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Curing reactions are kinetic in nature

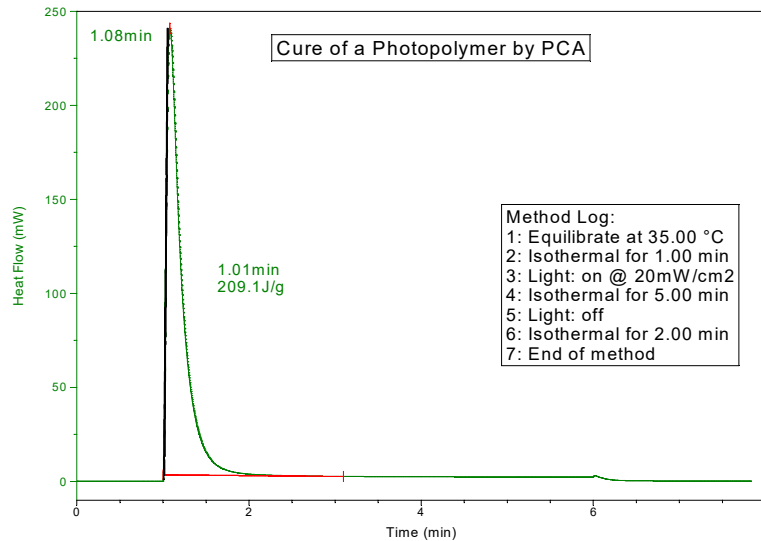


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Photopolymer Cure by PCA



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Pharmaceuticals

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Thermal Events in Pharmaceuticals

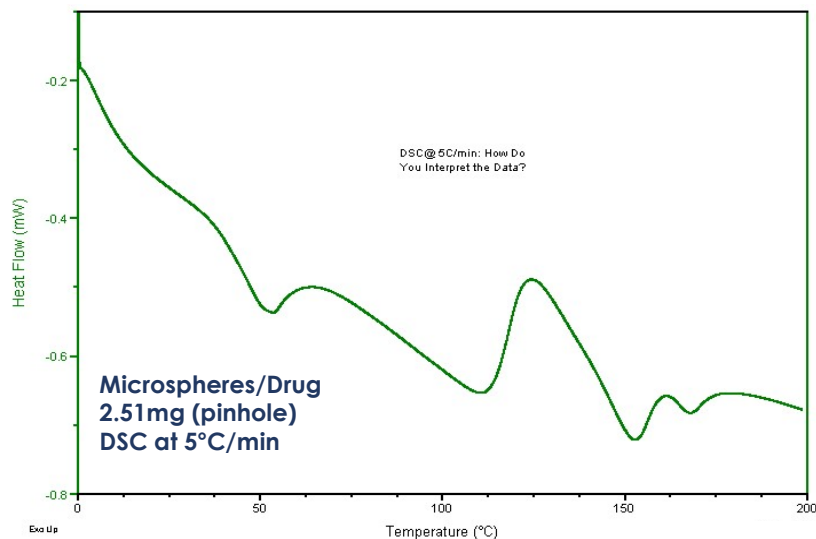
- Tg
- Melting
 - Purity
- Polymorphs
- General Recommendations
 - Use TGA to determine pan type
 - Use 1-5 mg samples (use 1mg for purity)
 - Initial H-C-H @ 10°C/min (1°C/min for purity)
 - If polymorphs present, heat faster to inhibit polymorphic transformations

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DSC at 5°C/min for Drug Microspheres

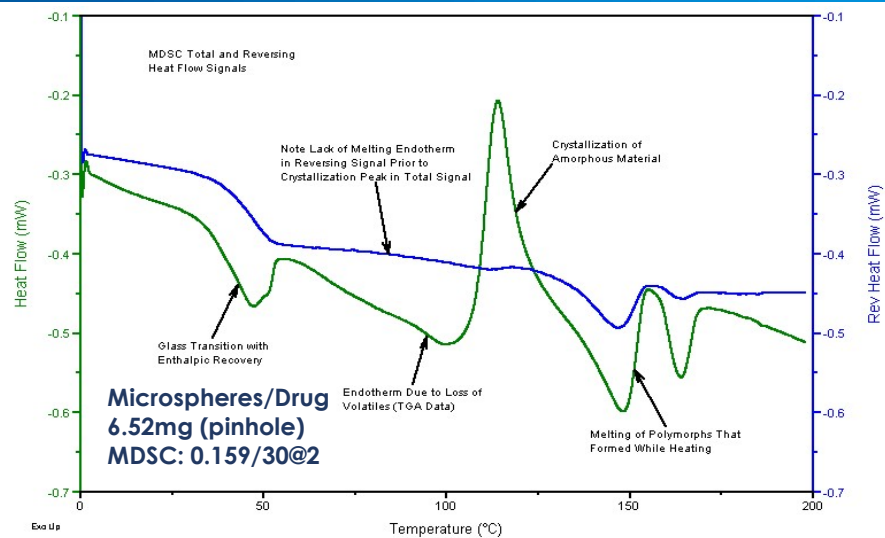


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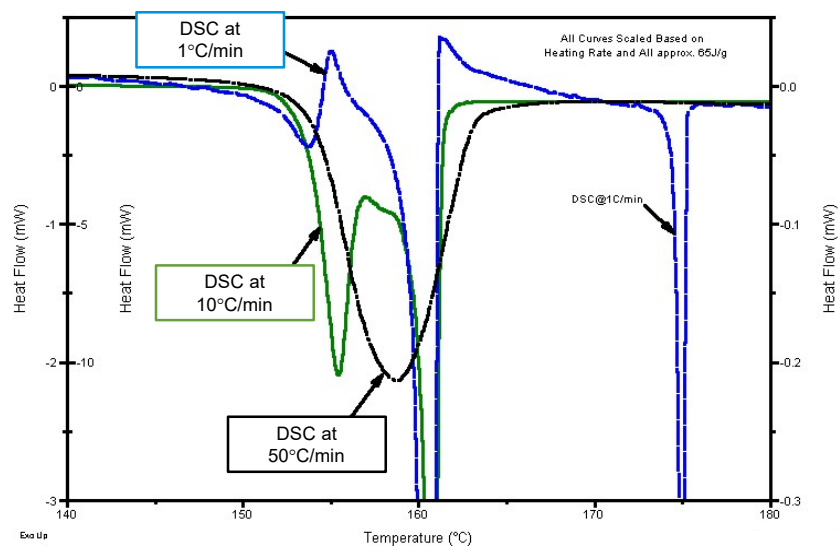
MDSC for Drug Microspheres



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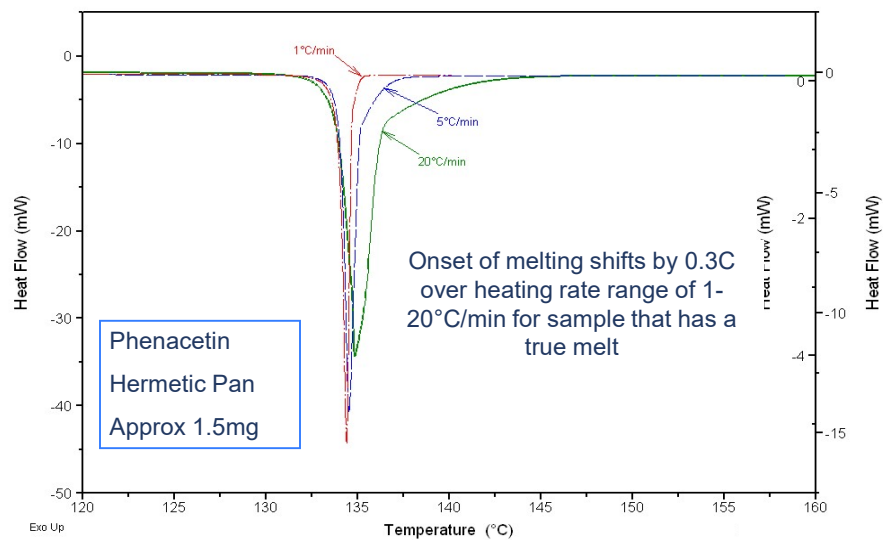
Effect of Heating Rate on Polymorph



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Thermodynamic Melting (Not Heating Rate Dependent)

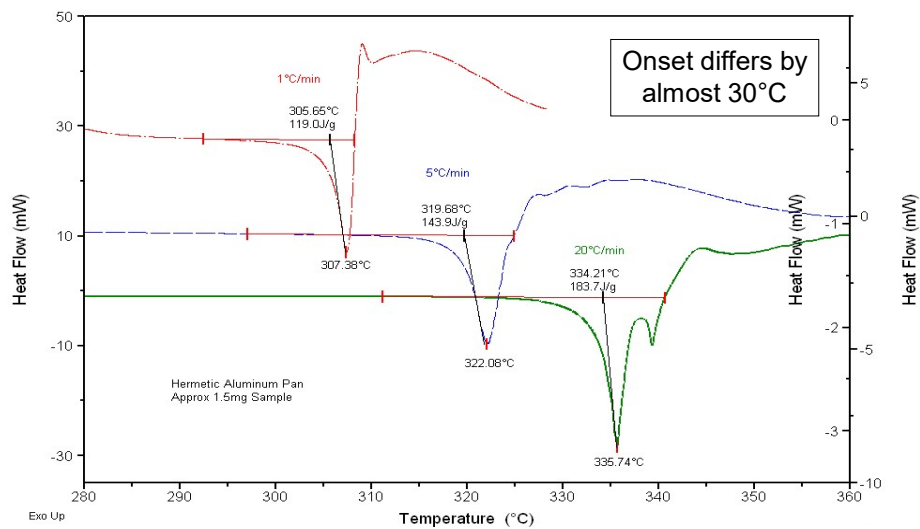


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Apparent Melting (Heating Rate Dependent)

Ciprofloxacin Hydrochloride Decomposes



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Evaluating Material Compatibility Using DSC

- **Active components** of drugs are mixed with other materials called **excipients** that act as bulking agents, improve long-term stability, or as processing lubricants
- Understand the Interaction of excipients with the active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) is critical when developing a formulation
- The Discovery X3 DSC is a multi sample DSC that allows running 3 samples simultaneously
- Increase in productivity, ability to run MDSC
- Compatibility studies of API and excipients can be done In one test under the same conditions



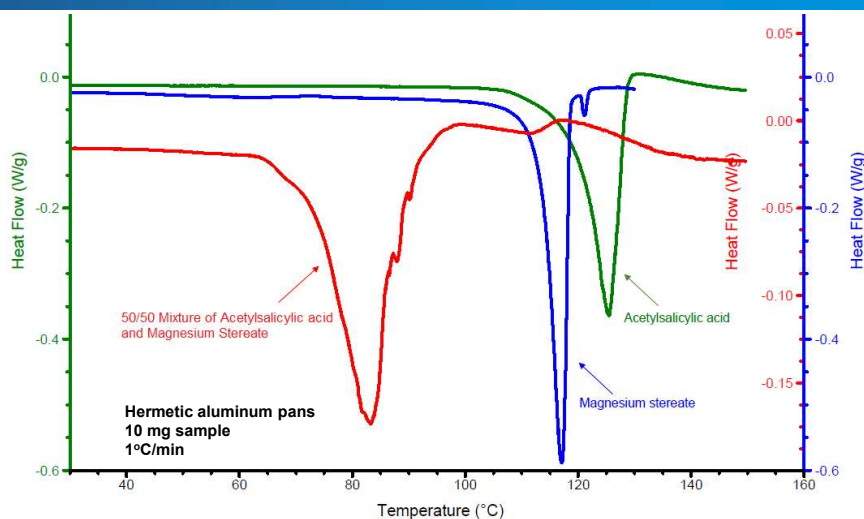
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Detection of Apparent Melting by Chemical Interaction in the X3 DSC

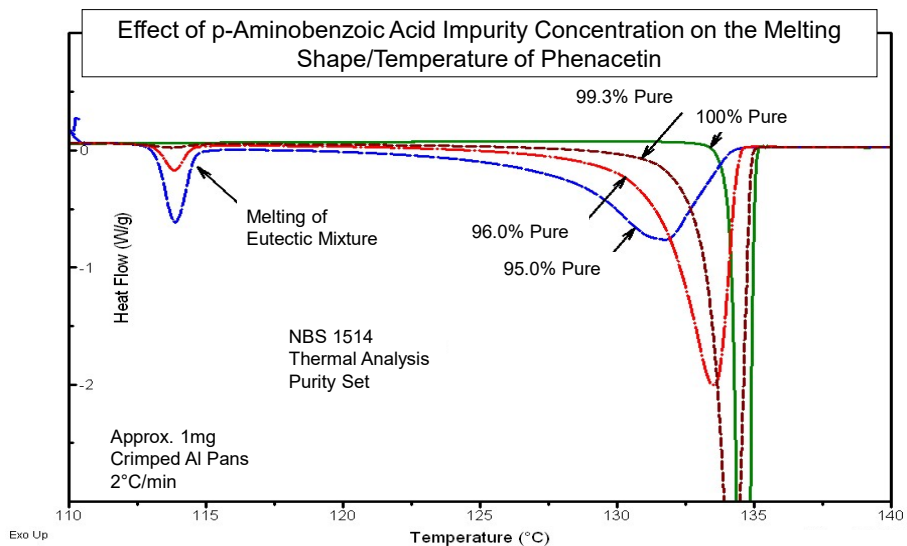
Chemical interaction between these materials causes a loss of crystalline structure at a much lower temperature



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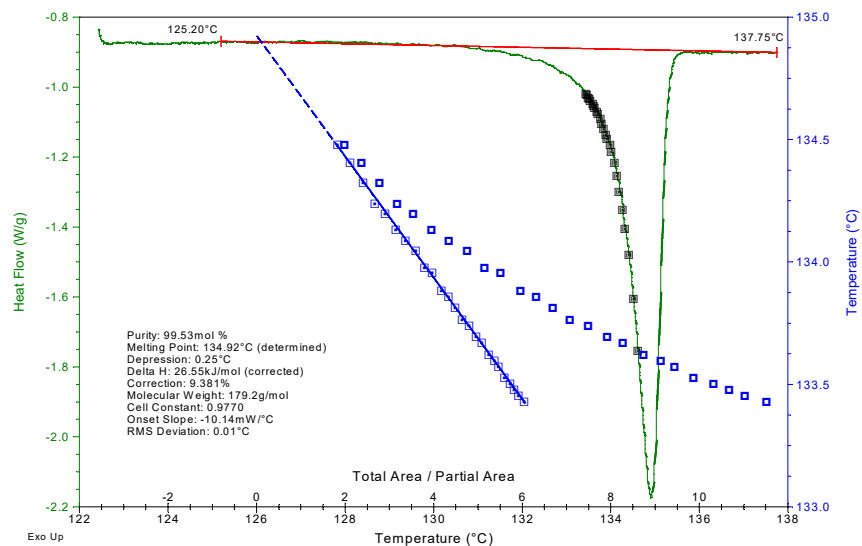
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Effect of Impurities on Melting



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Van't Hoff Purity Calculation



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Remainder and Final Notes

- MDSC® is a slow technique. Always start the analysis of a new material with standard DSC and only use MDSC if you need:
 - Improved sensitivity
 - Better resolution
 - Separation of overlapping transitions
 - Most accurate measurement of polymer crystallinity
- DSC General Methods Recommendations:
 - Run a Heat-Cool-Heat at 10-20 °C/min
 - Use specific segments as needed, i.e. gas switch, abort, etc.
 - Ensure that the starting temperature of the experiment is chosen to encompass the entire transition (2 minutes of baseline)

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