

## Agenda - Day 1

8:30 - 9:00 AM	Light Breakfast and Introductions
9:00 - 9:45 AM	Survey of thermal analysis instrumentation from TA, TGA 55xx, DSC 25xx, X3 DSC, TMA, etc.
9:45 - 10:15 AM	Fundamentals of TGA
10:15 - 10:35 AM	Morning Break with Beverages and Snacks
10:35 - 12:00 PM	TGA calibration, experimental setup, Evolved Gas Analysis, and application examples
12:00 - 1:00 PM	📍Lunch
1:00 - 2:00 PM	Fundamentals of DSC
2:00 - 2:30 PM	DSC Calibration and Experimental Setup
2:30 - 3:30 PM	DSC Application Examples
3:30 - 4:00 PM	TRIOS Software (TGA and DSC) – Analysis, Batch Processing, Reports, and Analysis Automation

# Thermal Analysis Toolkit for Materials Characterization

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# TGA



TGA 5500



Discovery SA



Rubotherm



IsoSorp



Discovery HP-TGA



# What is Thermogravimetric Analysis (TGA)?

TGA measures weight/mass change and rate of weight change as a function of temperature, time and atmosphere.

## Weight Loss:

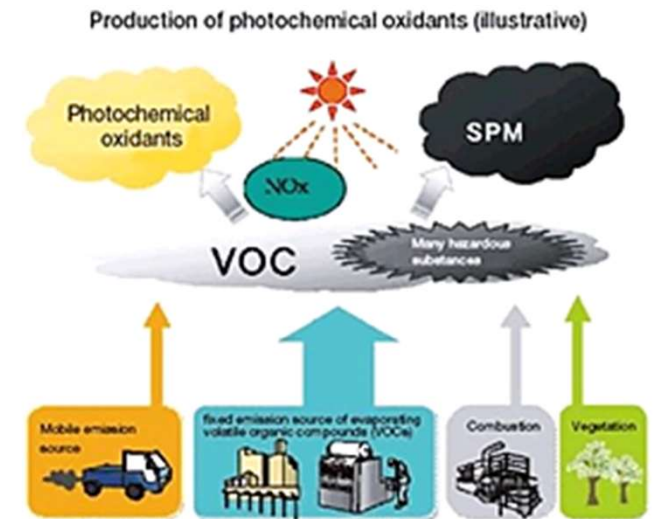
- Decomposition: The breaking apart of chemical bonds.
- Evaporation: The loss of volatiles with elevated temperature.
- Reduction: Interaction of sample to a reducing atmosphere (hydrogen, ammonia, etc.).
- Desorption: Loss of moisture/gas/solvent from surface/pores of material

## Weight Gain:

- Oxidation: Interaction of the sample with an oxidizing atmosphere.
- Absorption: Uptake of moisture/gas/solvent onto material / into pore

*All of these are kinetic processes (i.e. there is a rate at which they occur)*

# TGA: Structure-Property-Function Relationship



## Measure Mass Change and Stability

- Thermal / Oxidative stability
- Composition information
- Decomposition kinetics / lifetime
- Effects of reactive and corrosive atmospheres
- Moisture and Volatile Content of Materials
- Residue

## Caused by

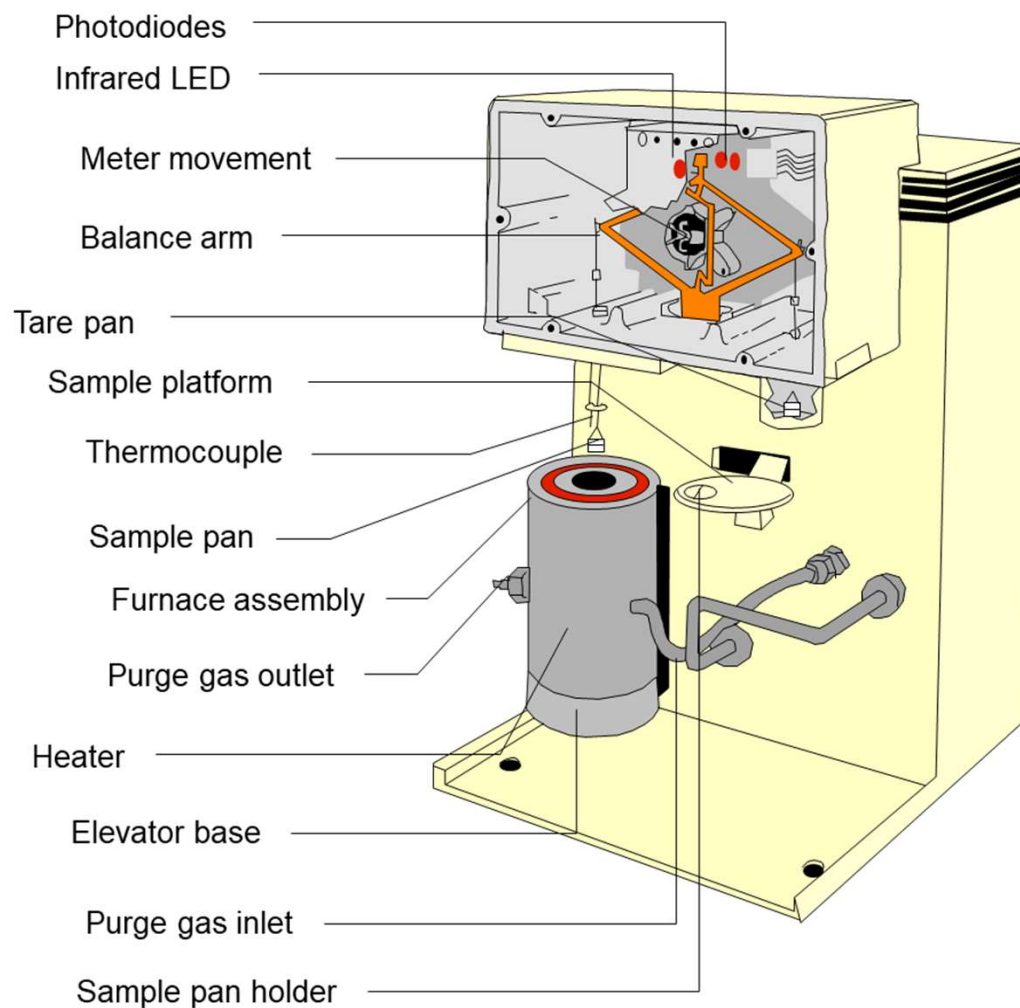
- Formulation
- Molecular Weight & Distribution
- Molecular Structure
- Concentration
- Atmosphere

## Understand & Predict

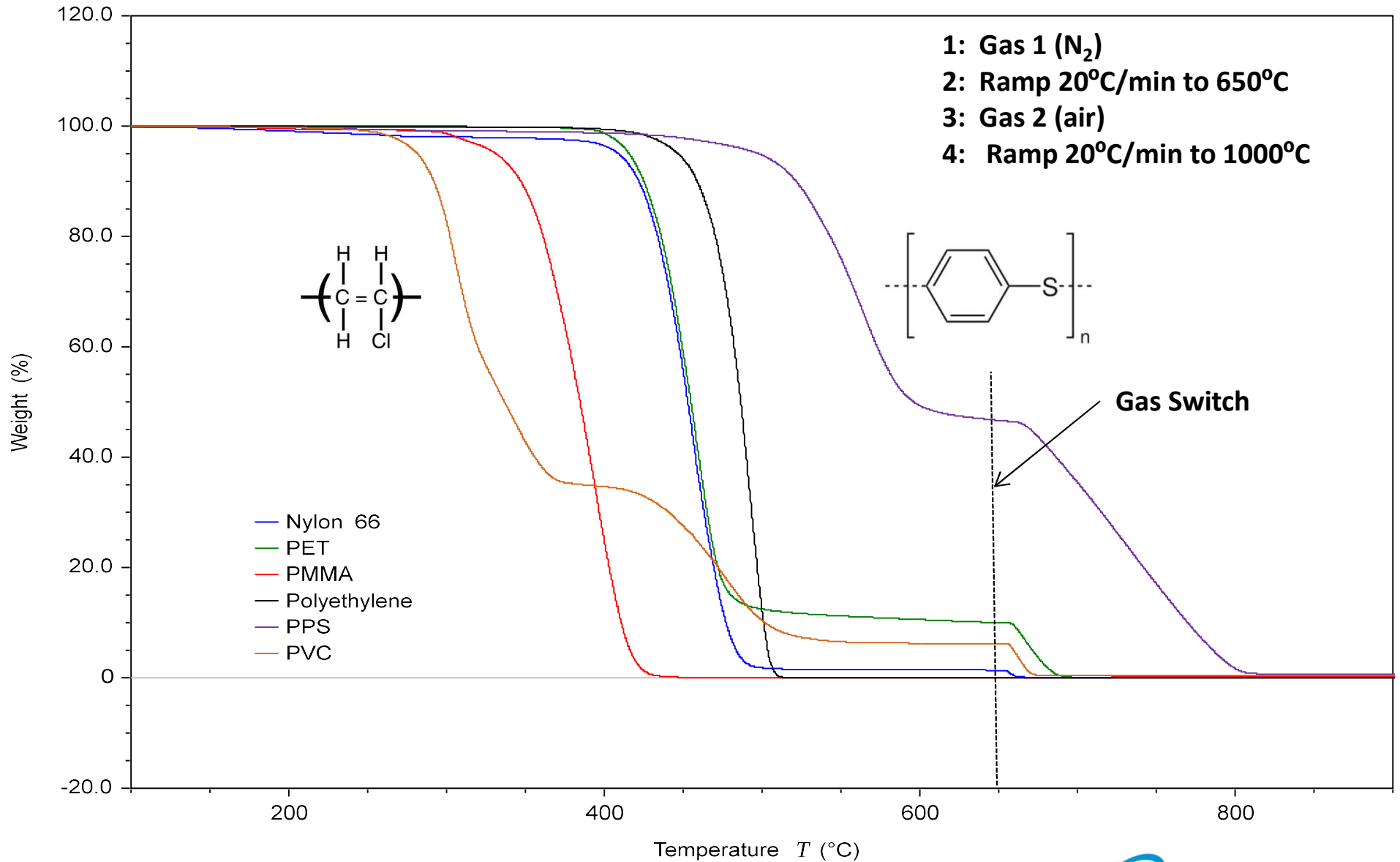
- Processing Limits
- Chemical Nature
- Product Performance
- Volatile Organic Content
- Storage Stability
- Useful Lifetime

# TGA - Schematic Diagram

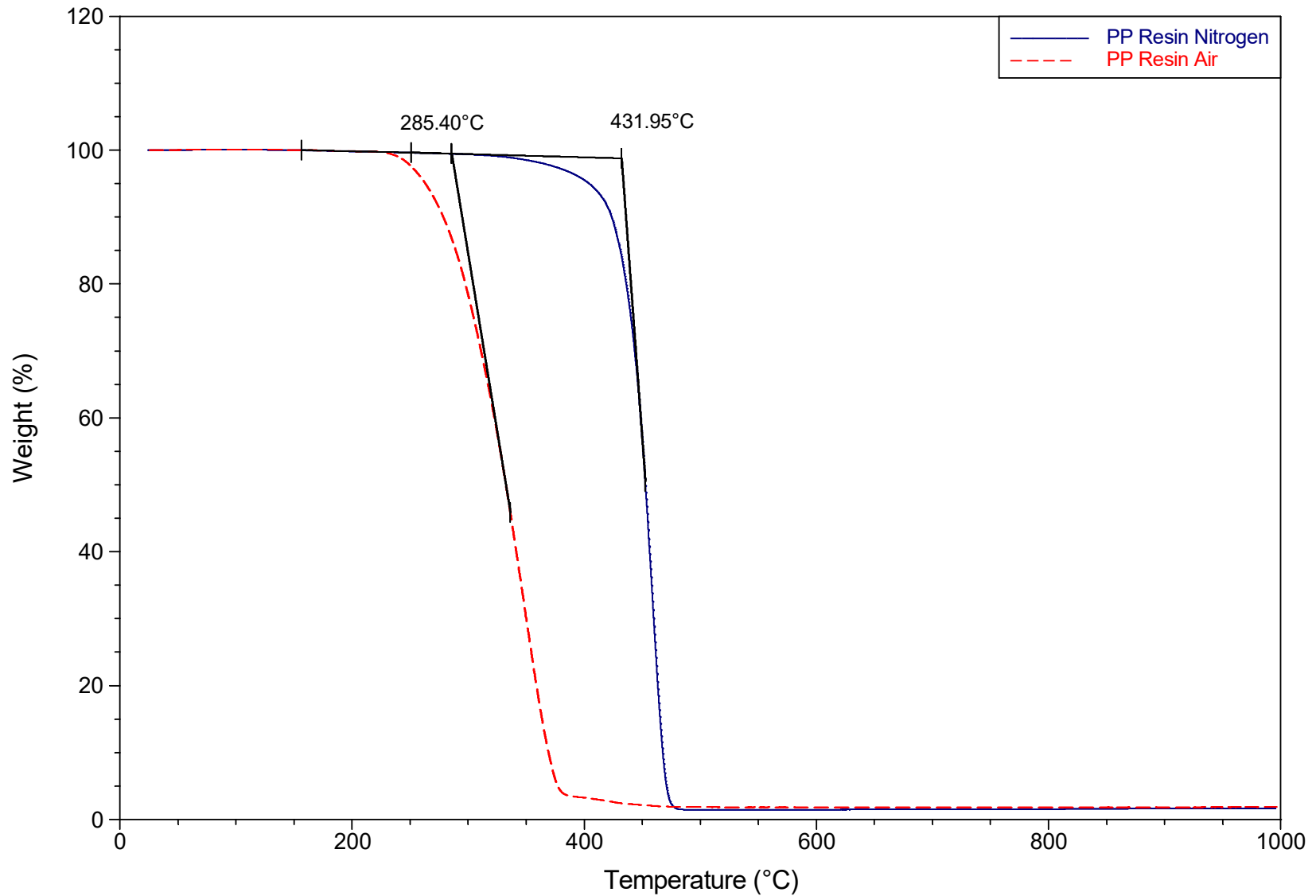
## Null-balance (“Regular” TGA / Discovery SA)



# Thermal Stability of Polymers

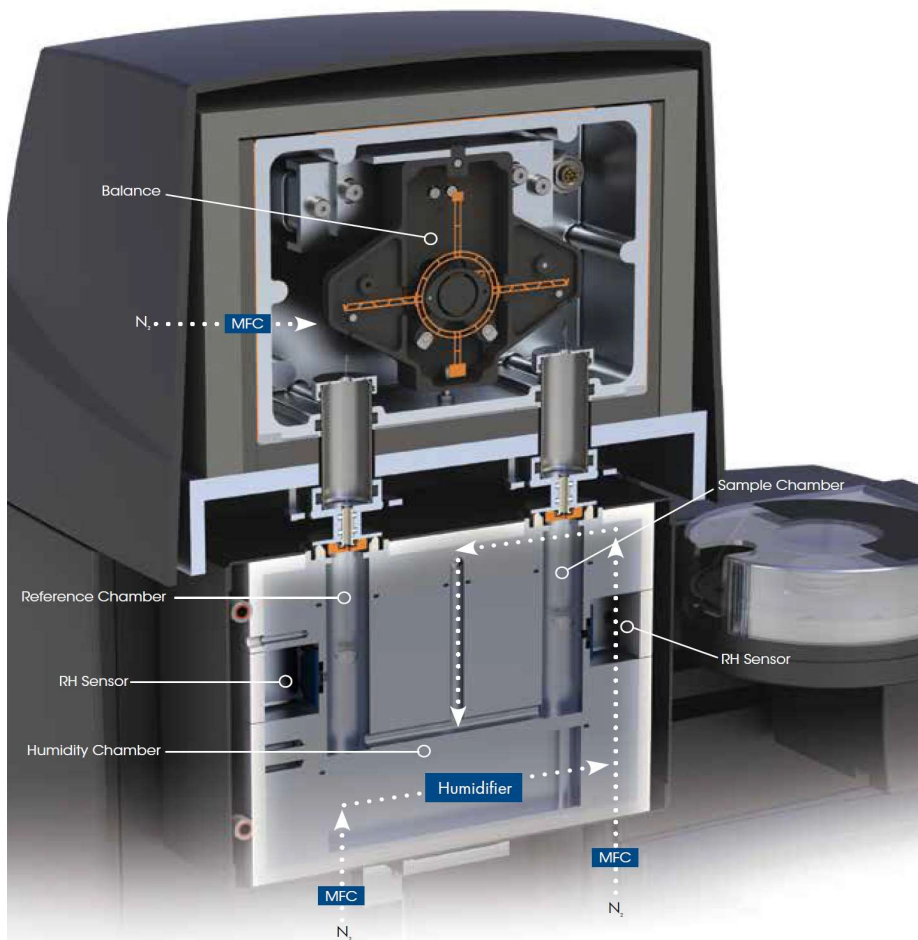


# Oxidative Stability (Polypropylene)





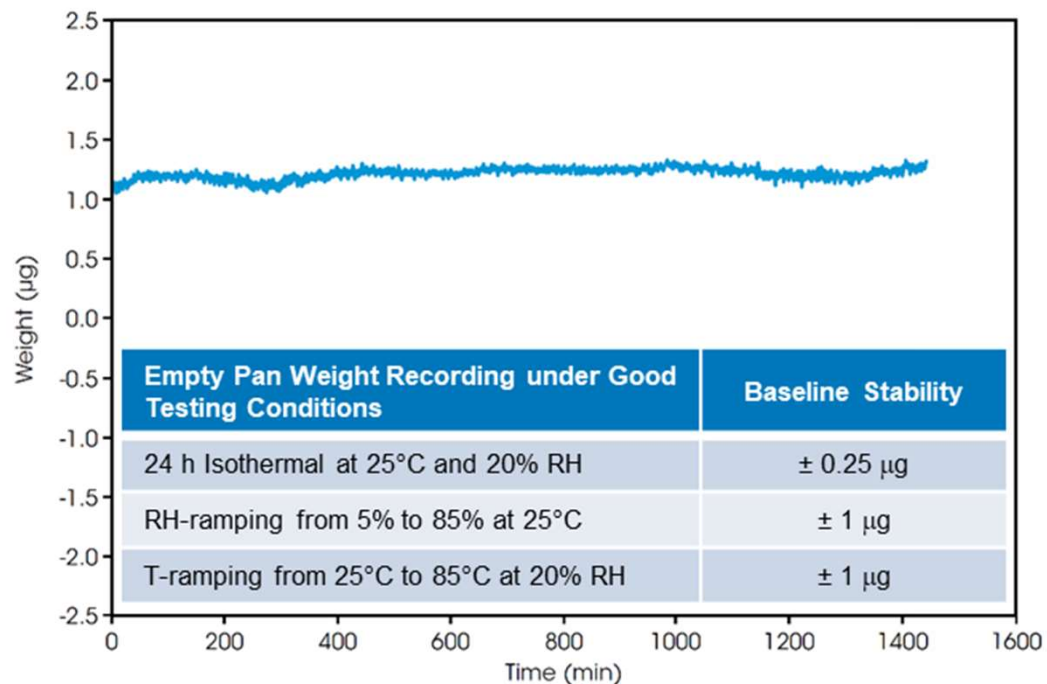
# Discovery SA (successor to Q5000SA)



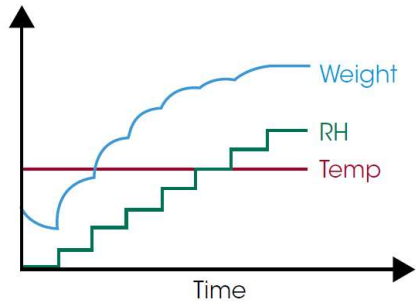
## Applications

Analyzing the interaction of a sample material with humidity to assess **wetting, drying, hygroscopicity, hydrothermal stability, hydrate formation, humidity induced phase changes**

for the following industries, materials or workflows:  
**pharmaceuticals, polymers, food, electronics, inorganic materials, adsorbents, catalysts, building materials**

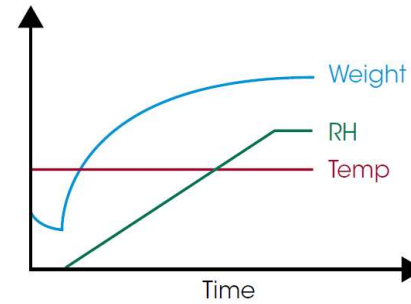


# DISCOVERY SA



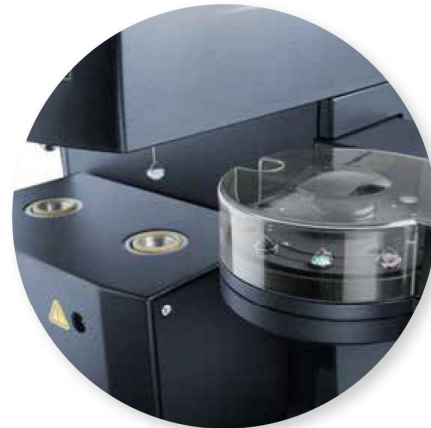
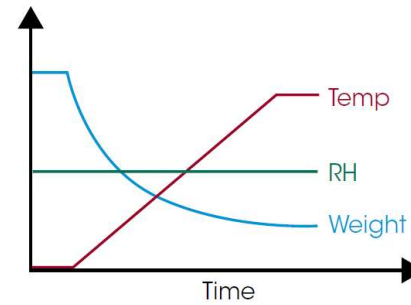
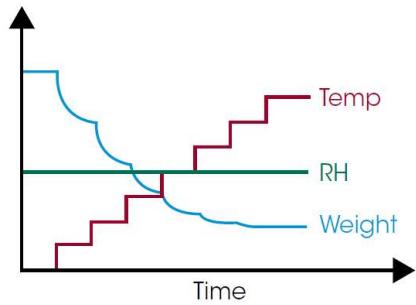
Isothermal experiment with stepped humidity

Isothermal experiment with ramped humidity



Iso-humidity experiment with stepped temperature

Iso-humidity experiment with ramped temperature



## Accuracy for Best Sorption Data

A symmetric microbalance and advanced humidity chamber design deliver industry-leading stable baselines and weighing resolution. The SA provides accurate data for sorption analysis on small material quantities and/or on hydrophobic samples.

## Productivity & Reliability

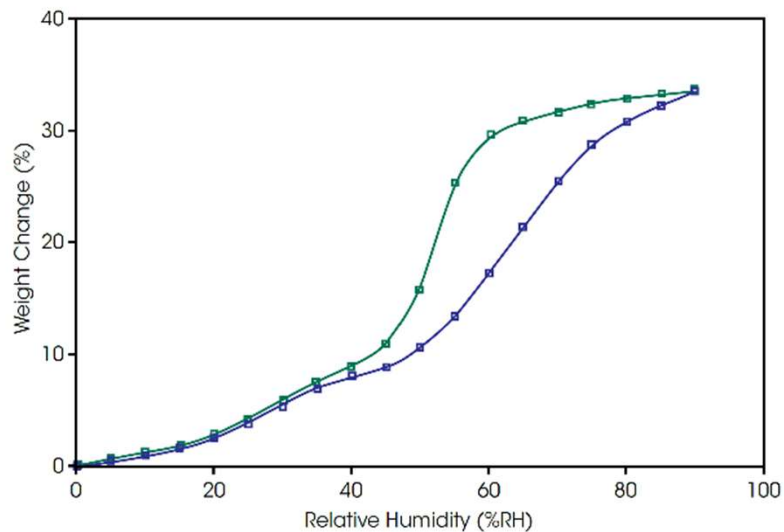
Autosampler and humidifier autofill pump allow for programming experimental queues of up to 10 or 25 samples. Even at high humidity and temperature or long lasting measurements, 24/7 productivity and absolute reliability are provided without user interaction.

## Ease of use & Compliance

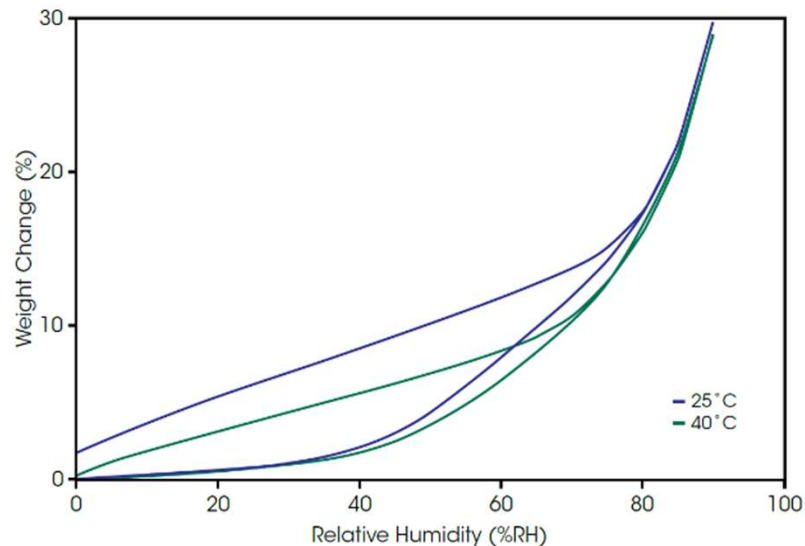
The App-style touchscreen and 21 CFR Part 11 compliant TIROS software provide a unique user experience throughout the complete workflow from instrument control, method setup, and experiment to data evaluation.

# Discovery SA

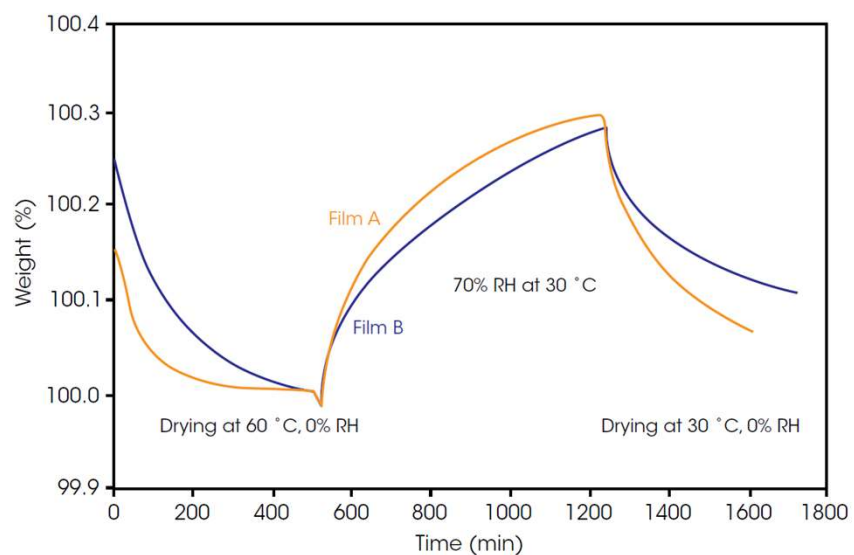
## Water ad- and desorption on activated carbon



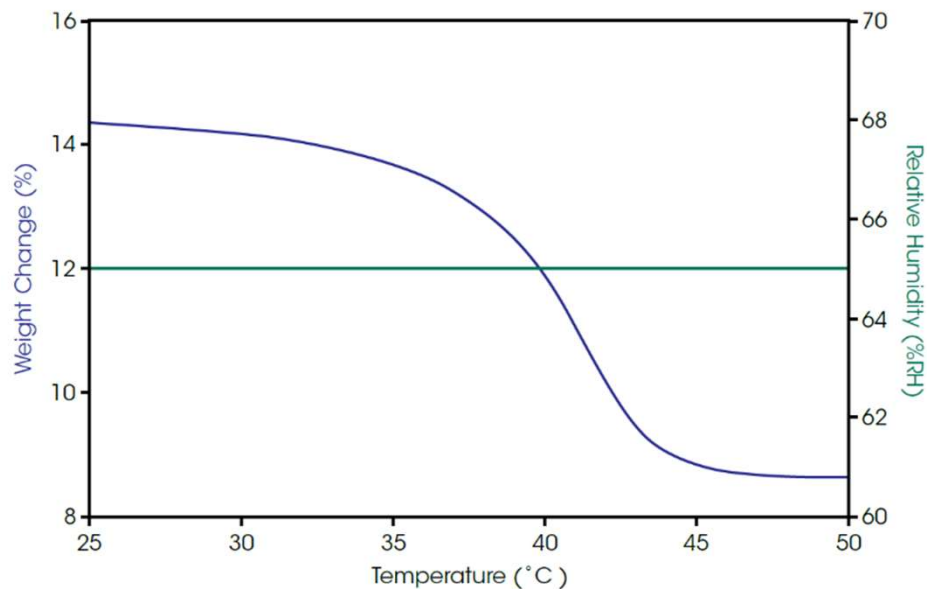
## Water adsorption and desorption on cornflakes



## Kinetics of water vapor sorption on two polymeric packaging films during T and RH cycling



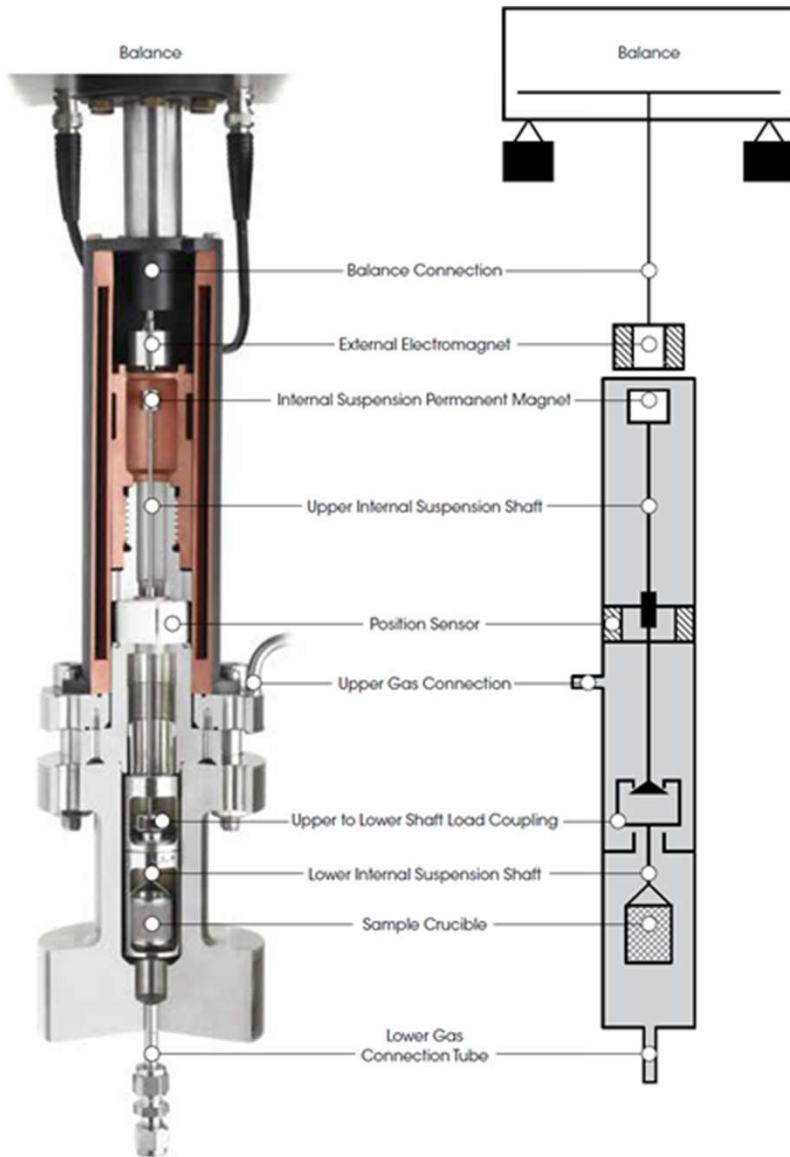
## Water vapor sorption on sodium naproxen Isohume plot at 65% RH



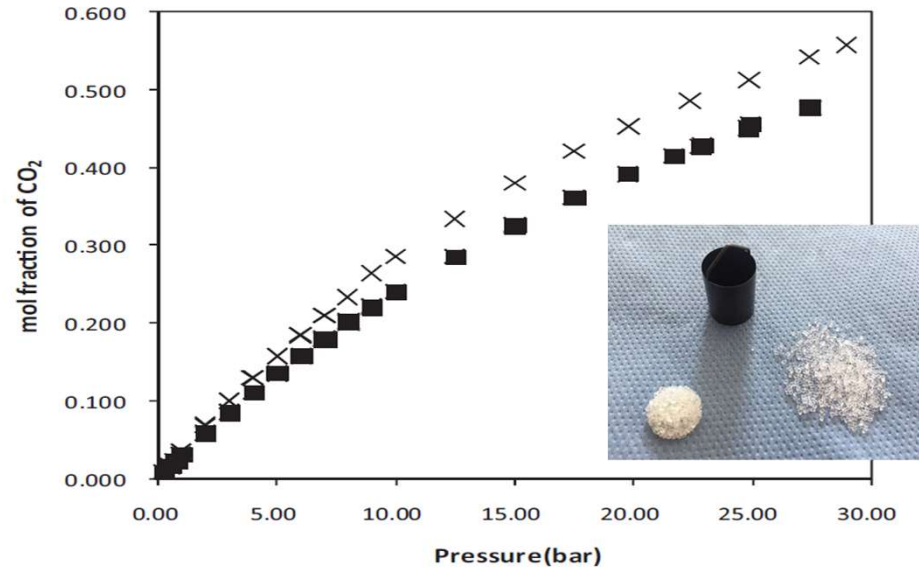
# High Pressure Thermogravimetric Analysis



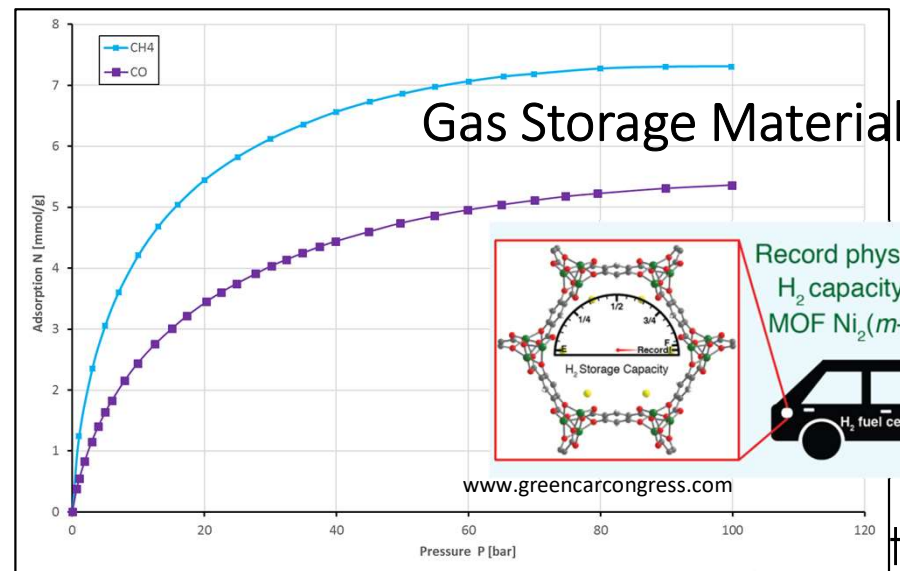
Magnetically Suspended Balance (MSB) –  
Rubotherm, Discovery HP-TGA, IsoSorp



## Gas Solubility Measurement



## High-P Adsorption Isotherms



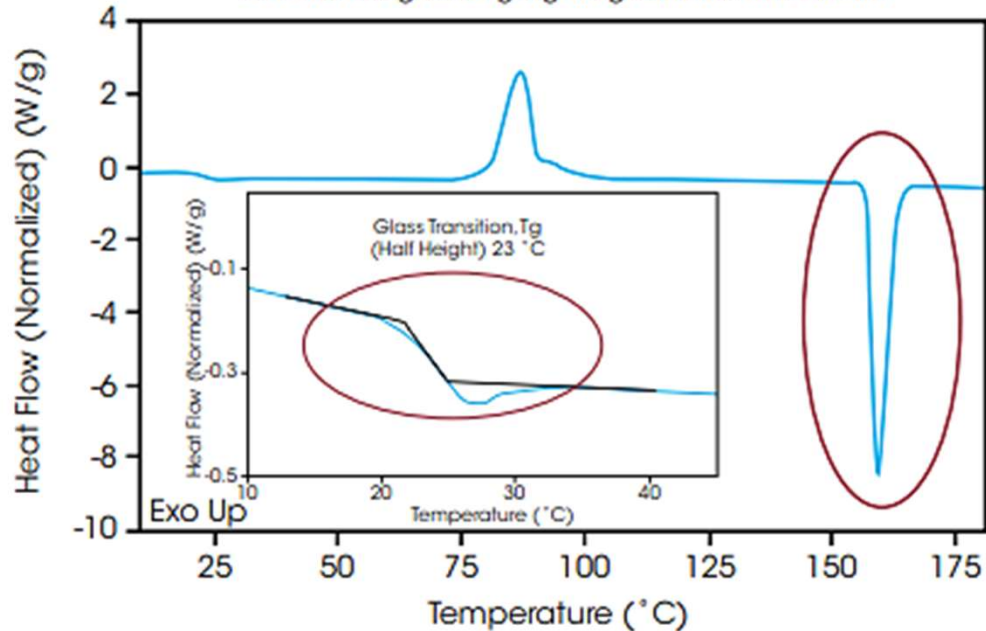


# DSC



# Exchange of Heat Due to Phase Changes

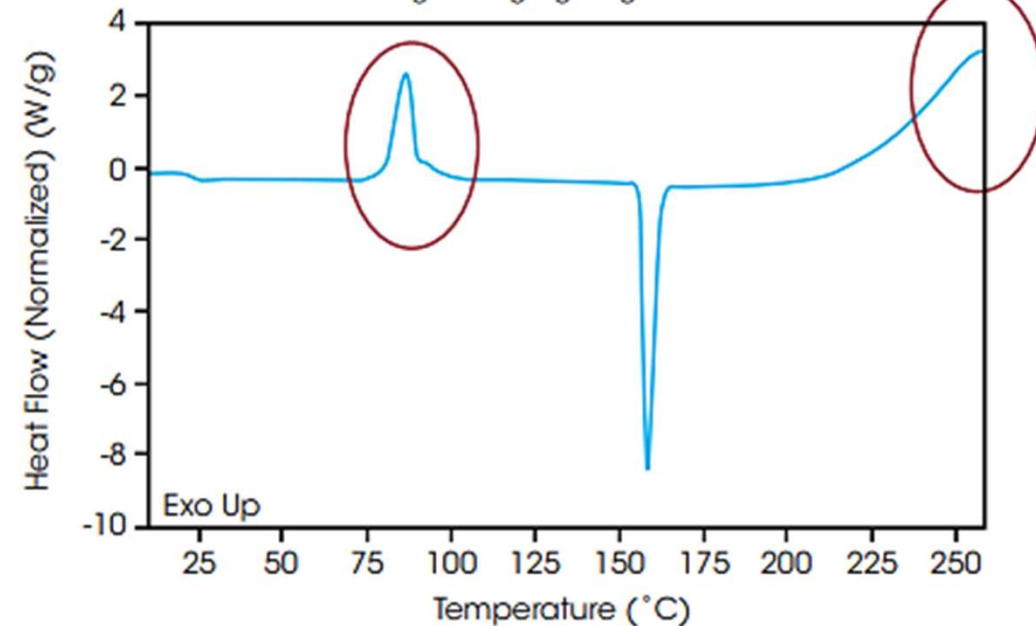
DSC Thermogram Highlighting Endothermic Events



## Endothermic Events

- Glass Transition
- Melting
- Evaporation/Volatilization
- Enthalpic Recovery
- Polymorphic Transitions
- Some Decompositions

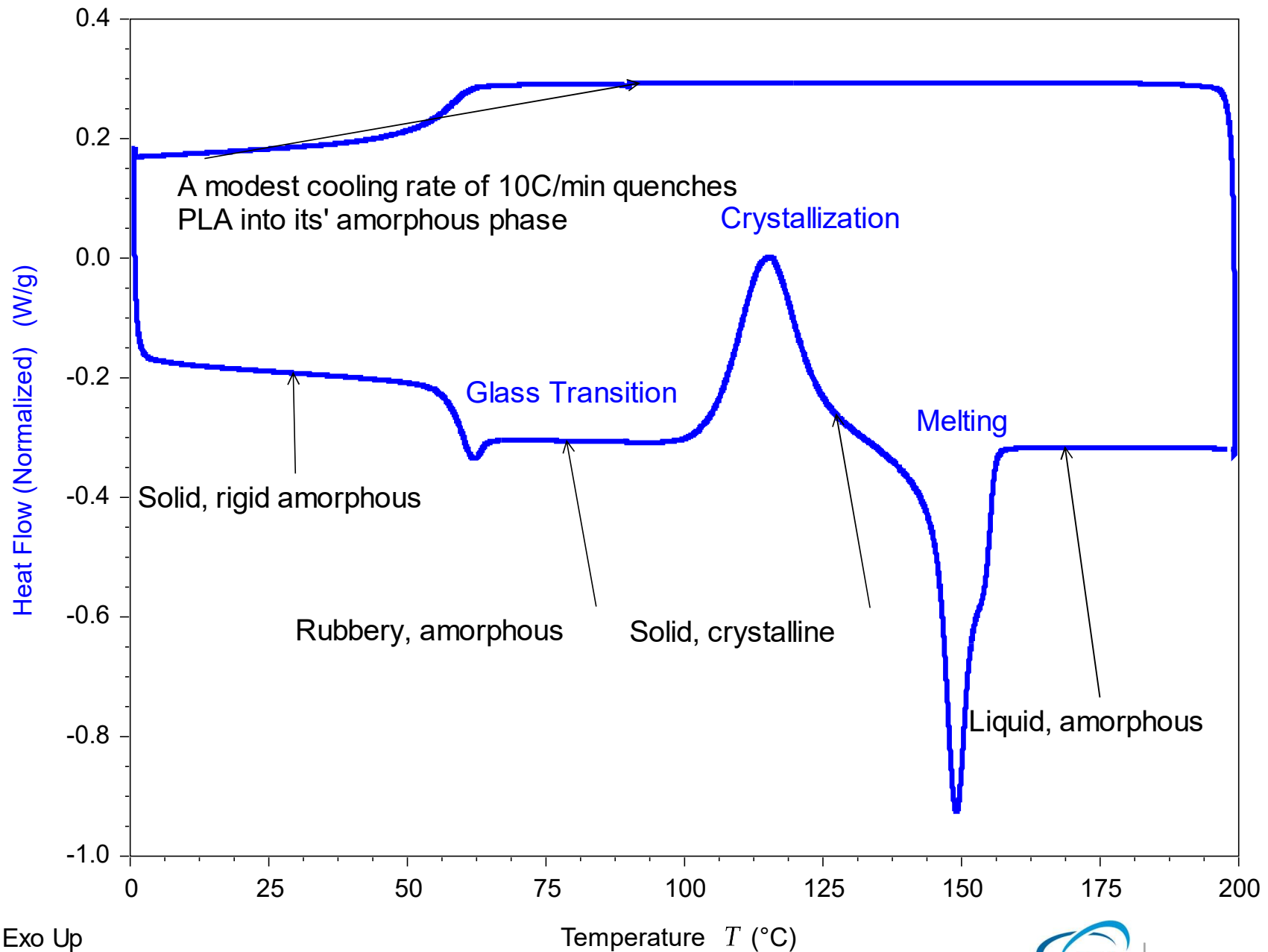
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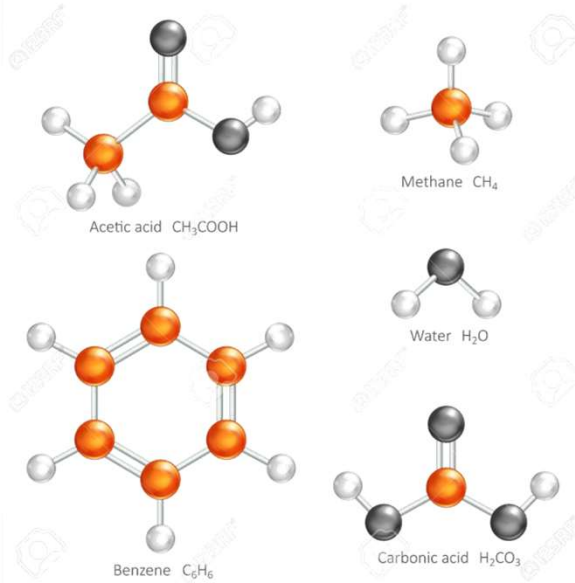
## Exothermic Events

- Crystallization
- Cure Reactions
- Polymorphic Transitions
- Oxidation
- Decomposition
- Freezing

# DSC Analysis of Polylactic Acid (PLA)

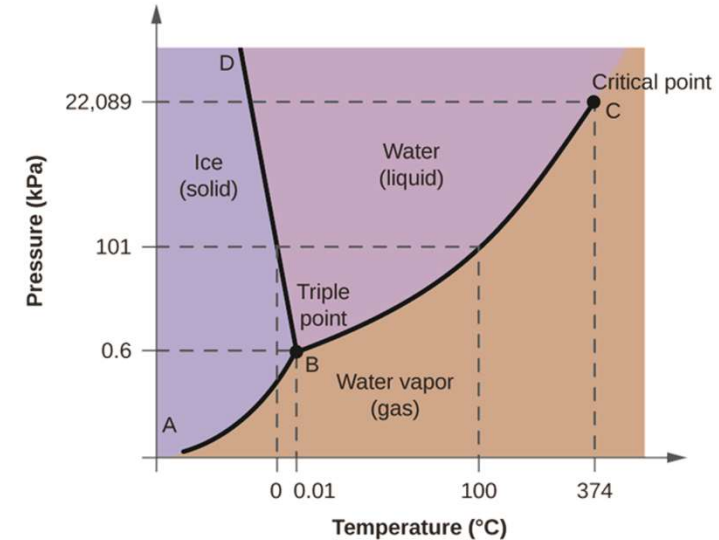


# DSC: STRUCTURE-PROPERTY-FUNCTION RELATIONSHIP



## Measure Heat Flow

- Transition Temperatures
- Specific Heat Capacity
- Heats of Reactions and Transitions (Enthalpy)
- Endothermic and Exothermic Events



## Caused by

- Formulation
- Molecular Weight & Distribution
- Molecular Structure
- Presence of Crosslinks

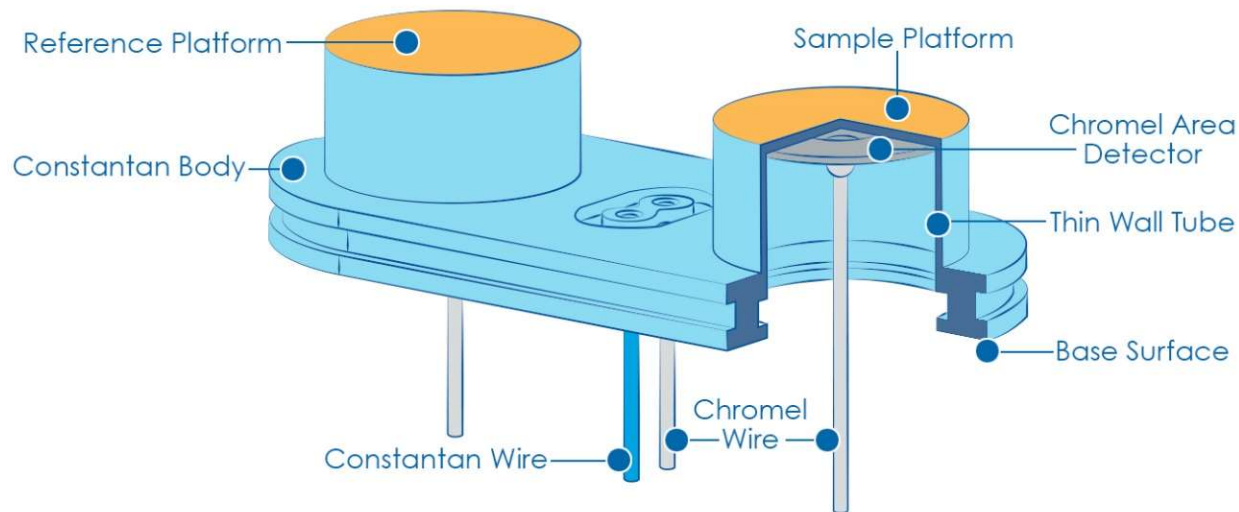
## Understand & Predict

- Phase diagrams
- Cure reaction profiles
- Formulation Impacts on Performance
- Stability and Compatibility



# Measurement of Temperature

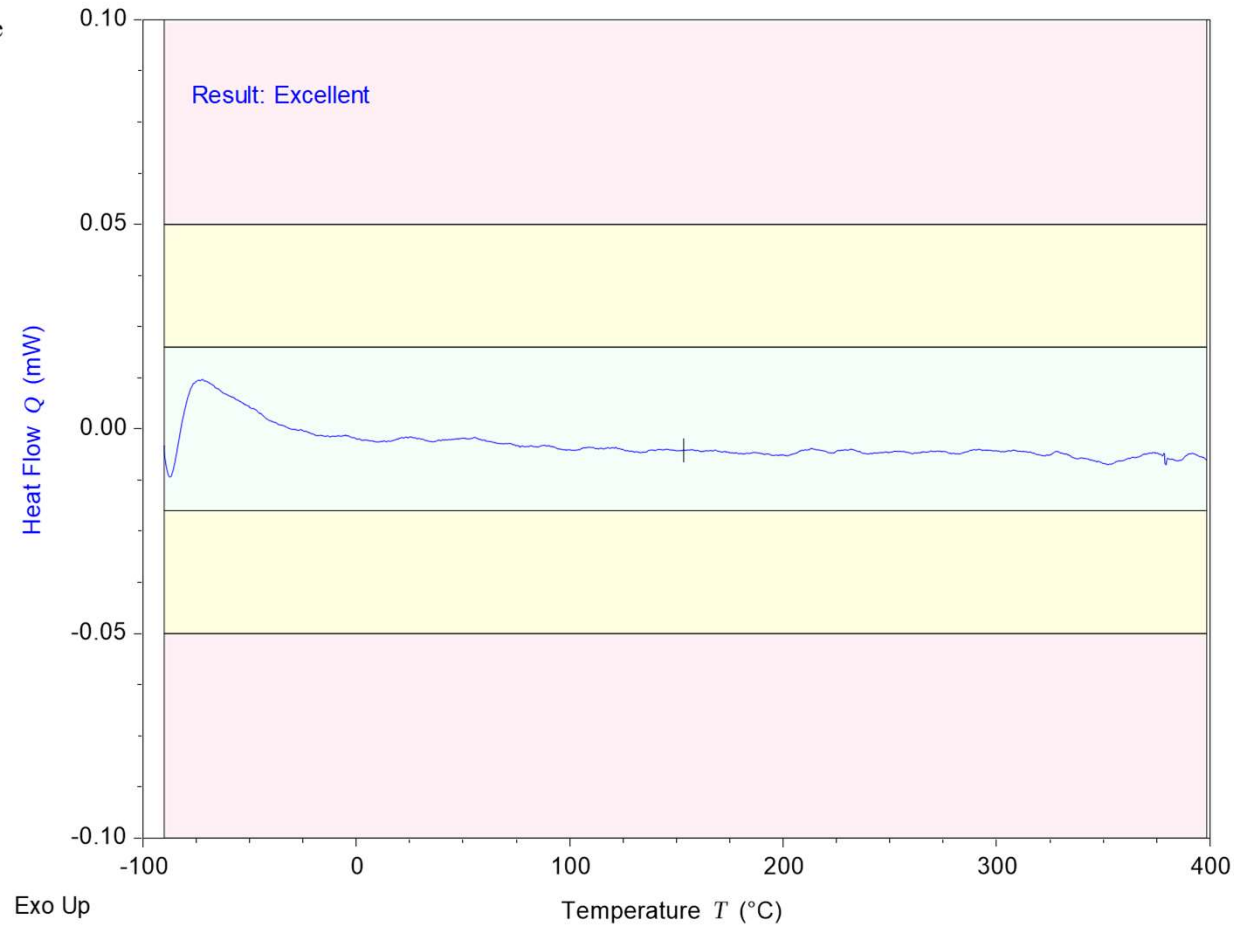
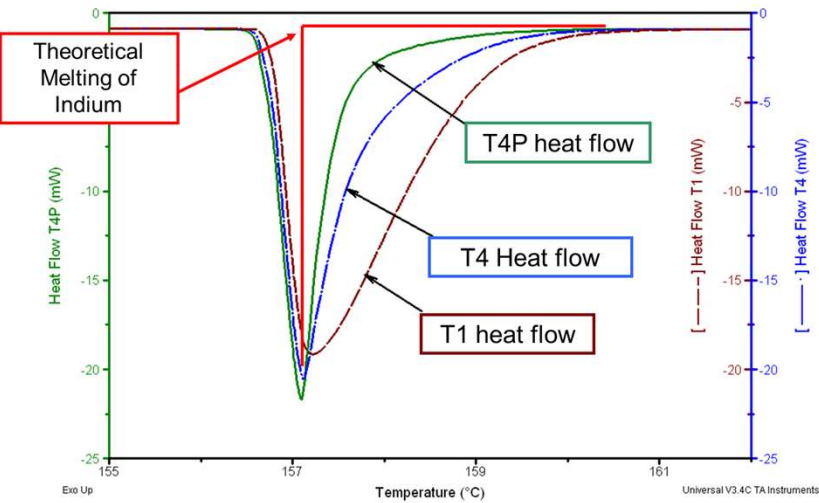
- What temperature is being measured and displayed by the DSC?
  - Sample Sensor Temperature
    - ◆ Used by most DSCs
    - ◆ Measured at the sample platform with a thermocouple, thermopile or PRT
- The actual temperature of the sample is never measured by DSC
  - There is no thermocouple in direct contact with the sample



# Tzero™ Heat Flow Equation

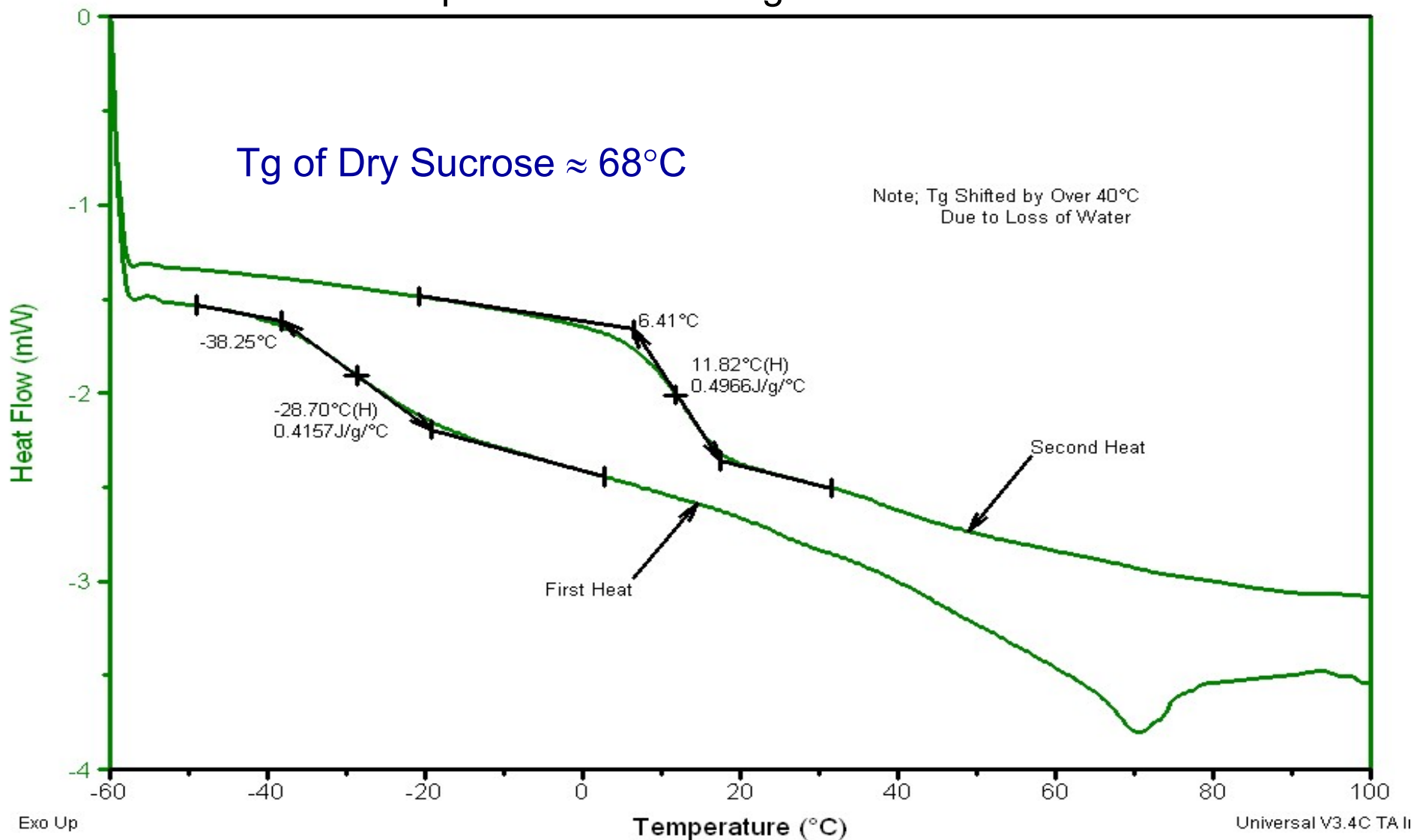
$$q_{T4} = -\frac{\Delta T}{R_r} + \Delta T_0 \left( \frac{1}{R_s} - \frac{1}{R_r} \right) + (C_r - C_s) \frac{dT_s}{d\tau} - C_r \frac{d\Delta T}{d\tau}$$

Thermal Resistance Imbalance  
 Heating Rate Difference  
 Principal DSC Heat Flow  
 Heat Capacity Imbalance

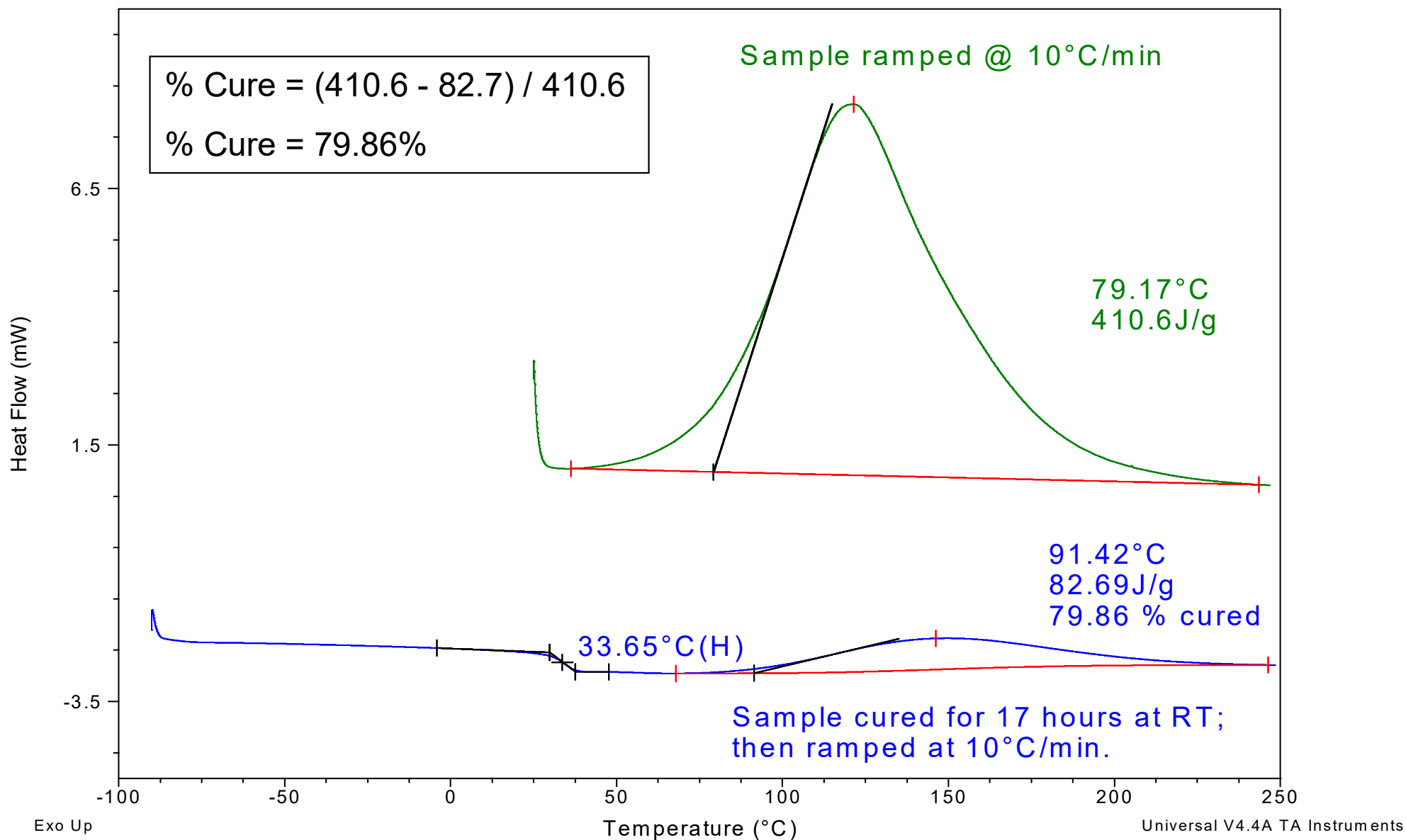


# Absorbed Moisture Acts as a Plasticizer to Lower the Tg of Sucrose

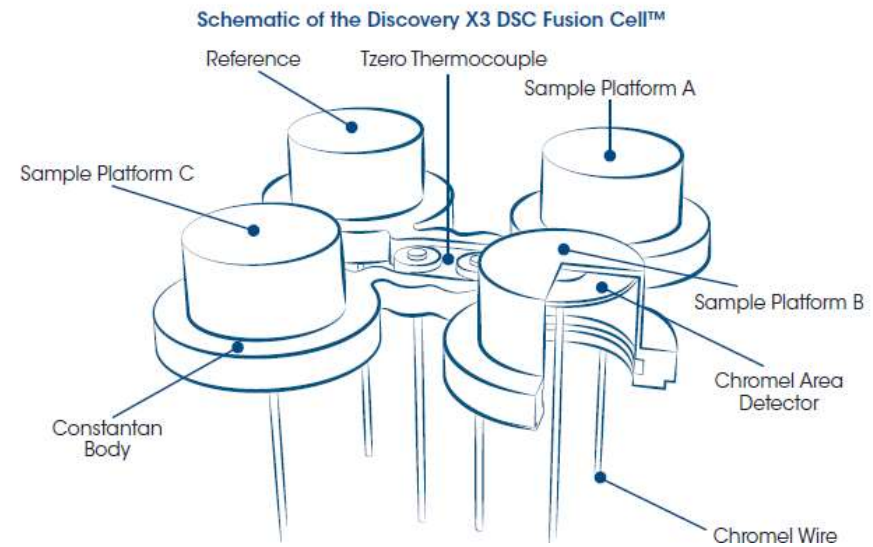
Implications for storage conditions



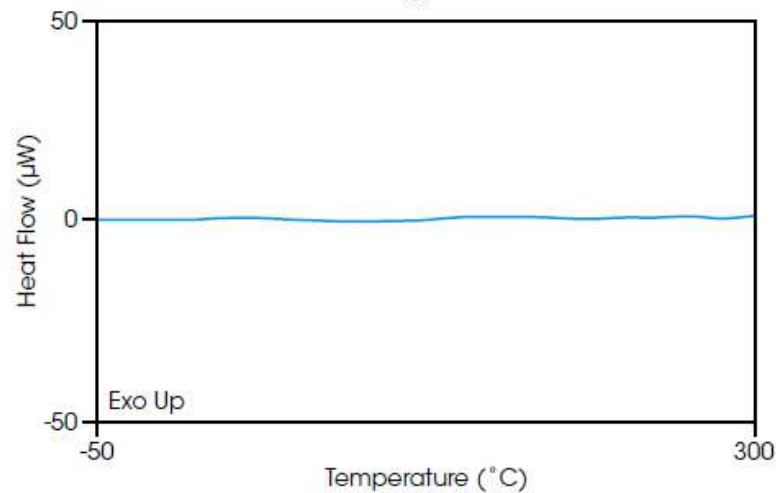
# Calculation of % Cure: An Epoxy



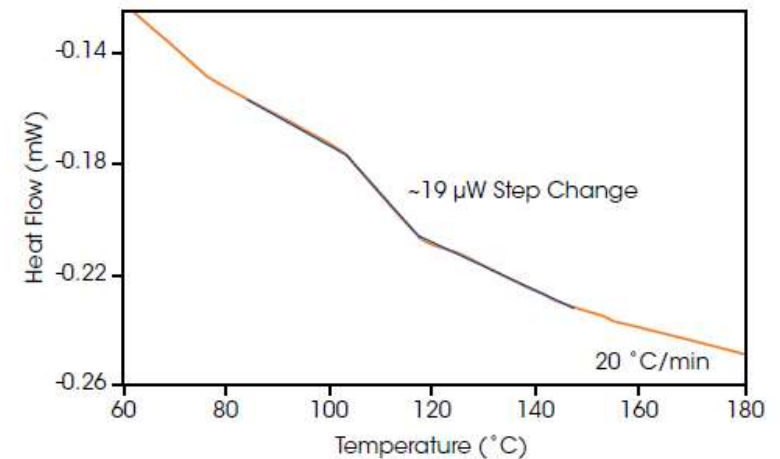
# X3 DSC (NEW!)



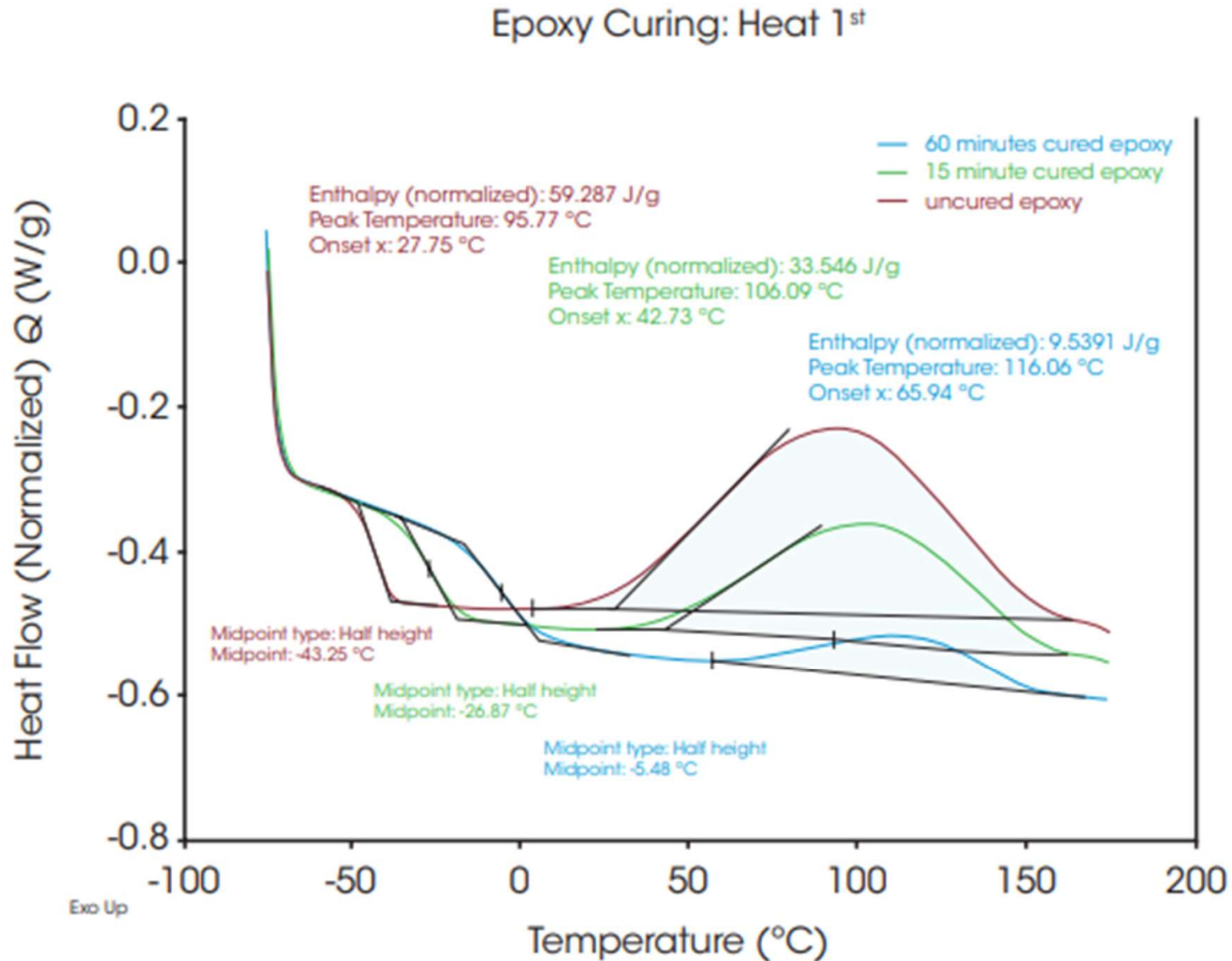
Absolute Zero Heat Flow Baseline Obtained with Tzero Technology on the X3 DSC



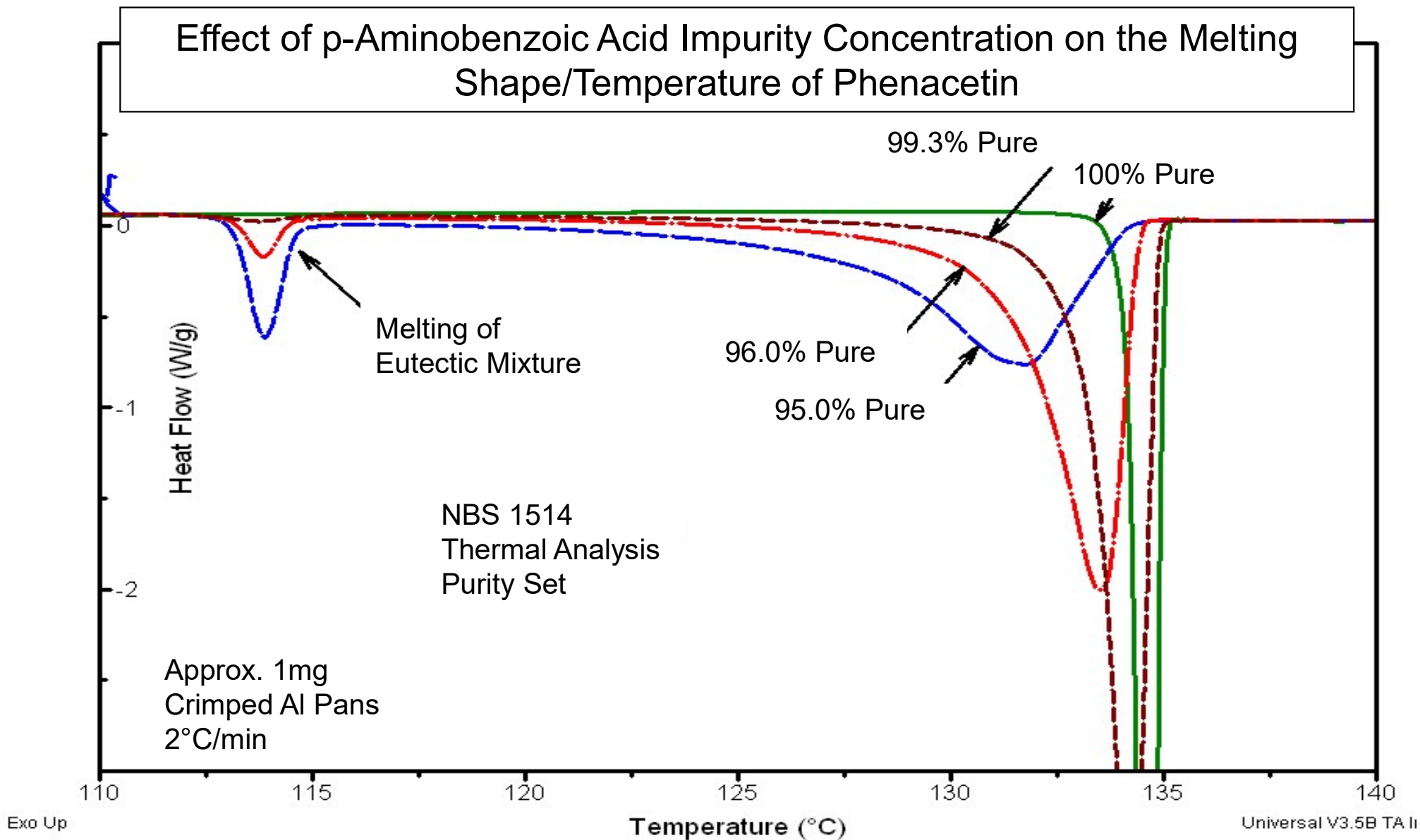
The High Level of Sensitivity on the X3 DSC Easily Shows the Tg of 100  $\mu\text{g}$  Sample of Polystyrene



# Curing of Thermoset Epoxy using X3 DSC

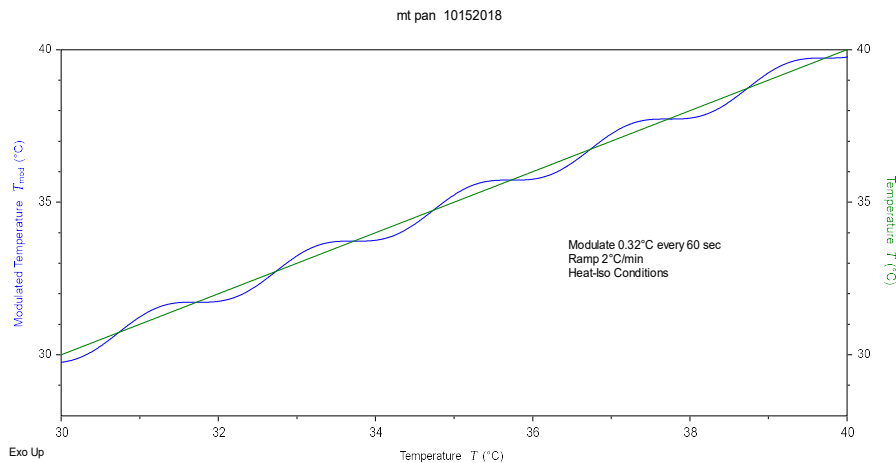


# Effect of Impurities on Melting





# Modulated DSC



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

Total Heat Flow

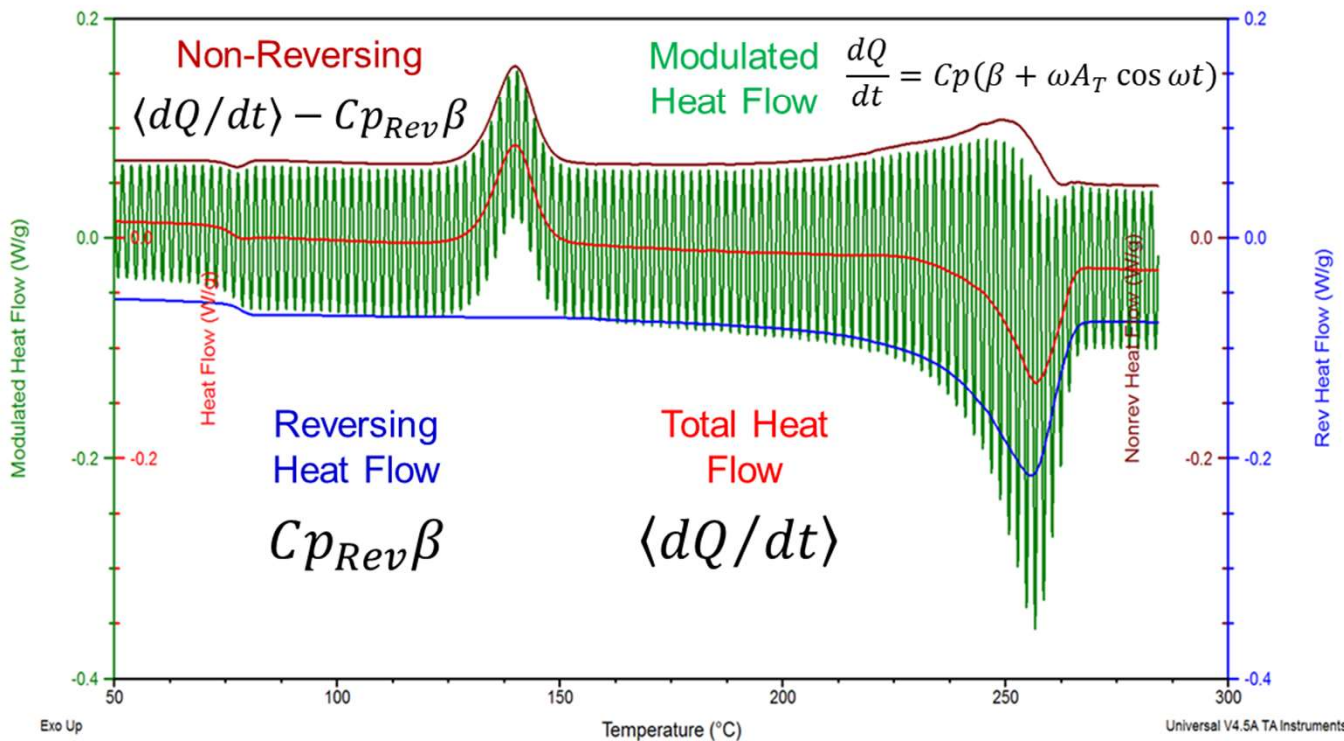
•All Transitions

Reversing Heat Flow

- Heat Capacity
- Glass Transition
- Melting

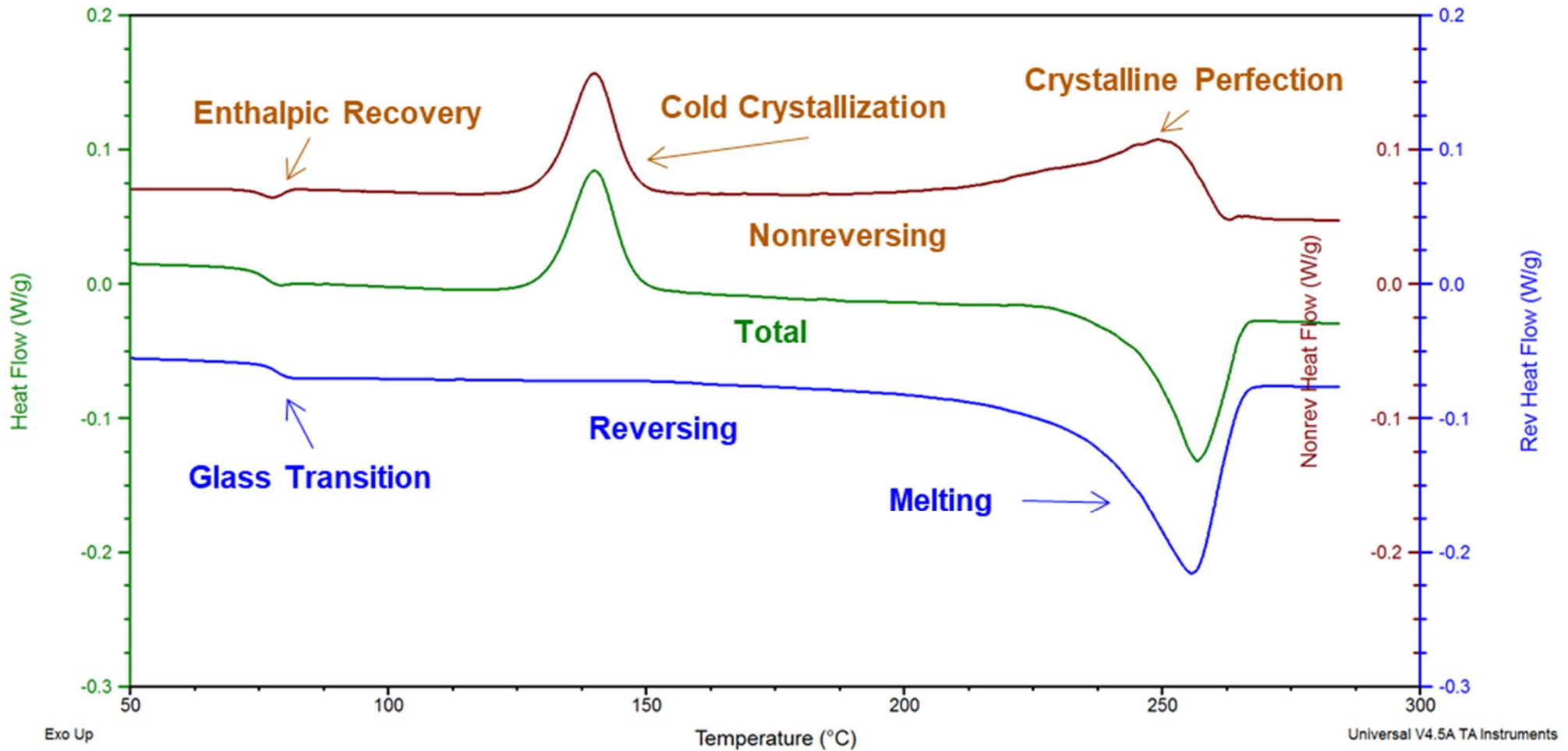
Non-Reversing Heat Flow

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

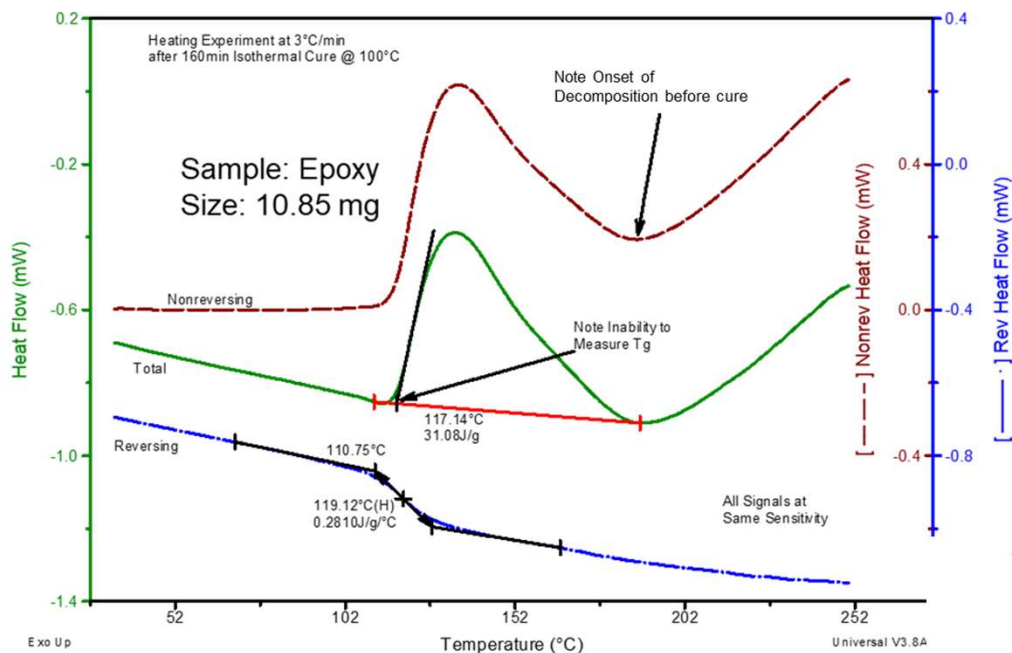




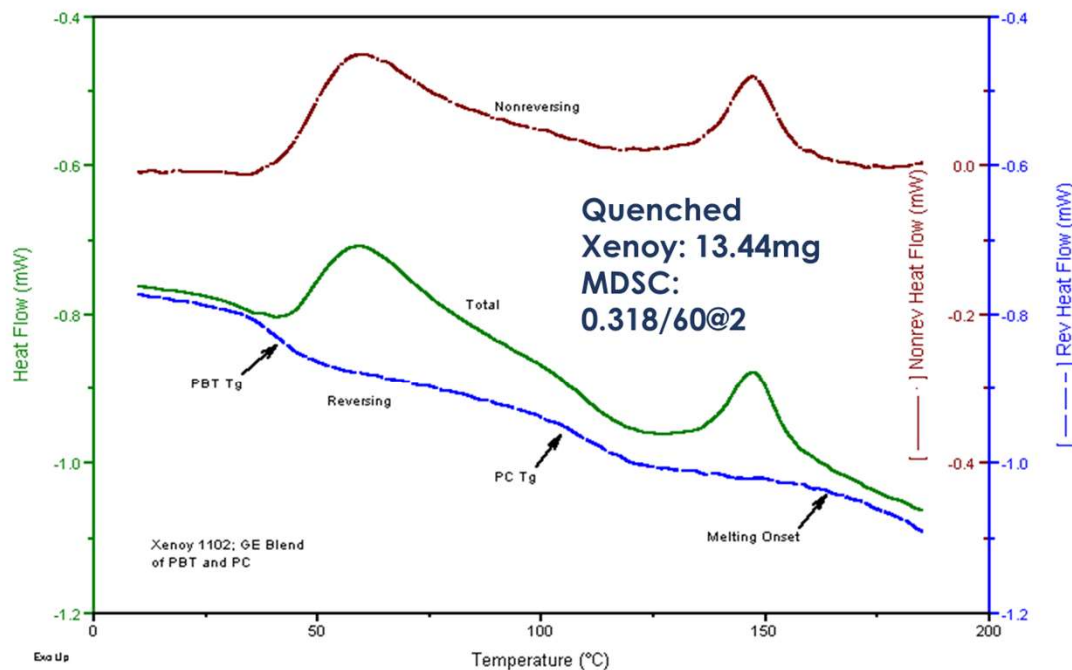
# Interpreting MDSC<sup>®</sup> results



## Tg on 1<sup>st</sup> heat of cure



## Getting Tg's of a polymer blend



# TMA

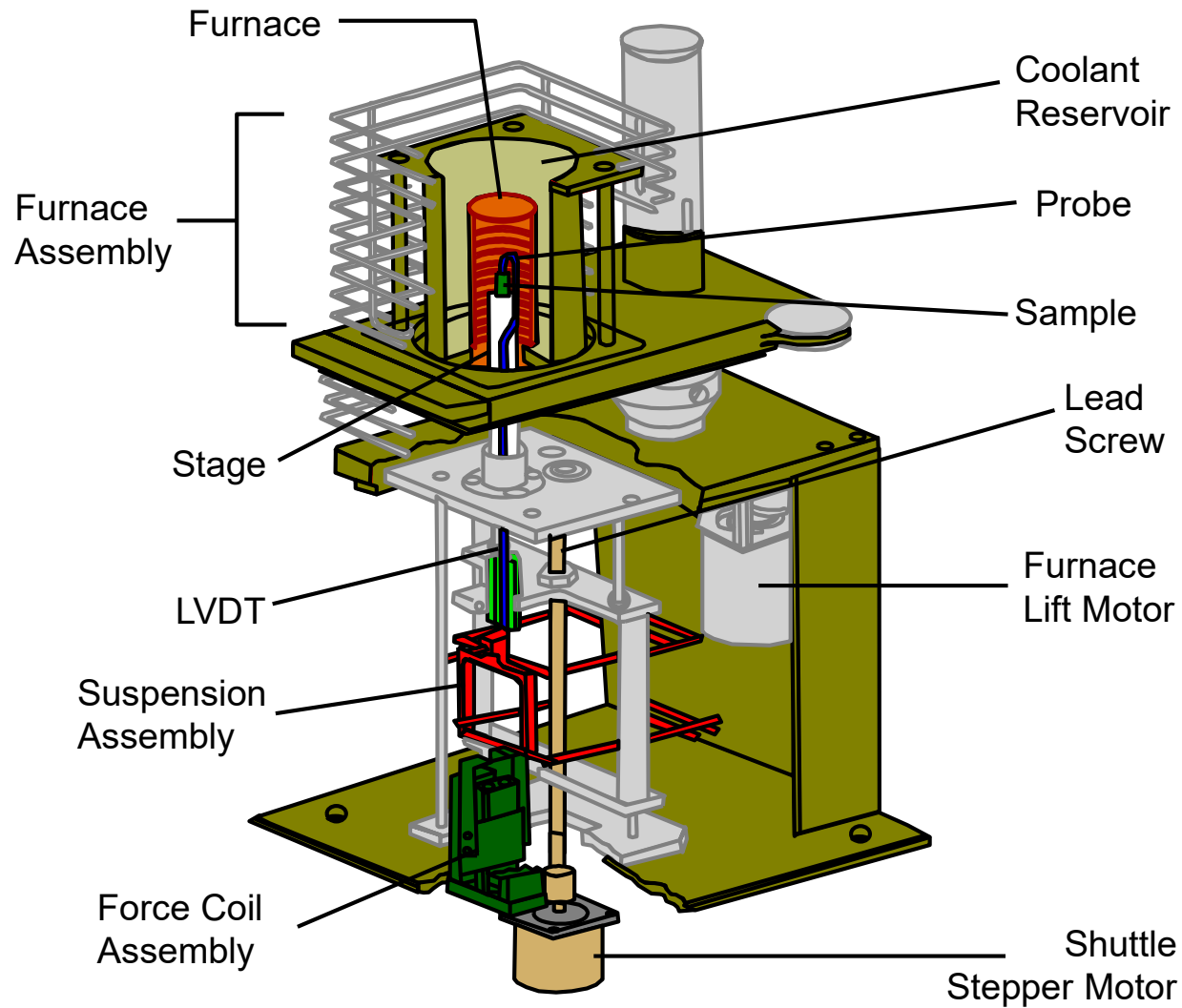


# TMA: The Technique

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- Thermo-mechanical Analysis measures changes in the dimensions of a sample as a function of time, temperature and force in a controlled atmosphere.
- TMA can measure Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (CTE), along with transitions such as the glass transition ( $T_g$ ).
- Advance TMA allows for viscoelastic measurements.

# TMA Schematic



# Sample Stage, Probes and Fixtures

Expansion



Macro-Expansion



Volumetric



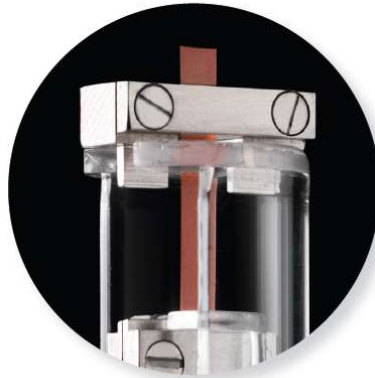
Penetration



3-Point Bending



Tension

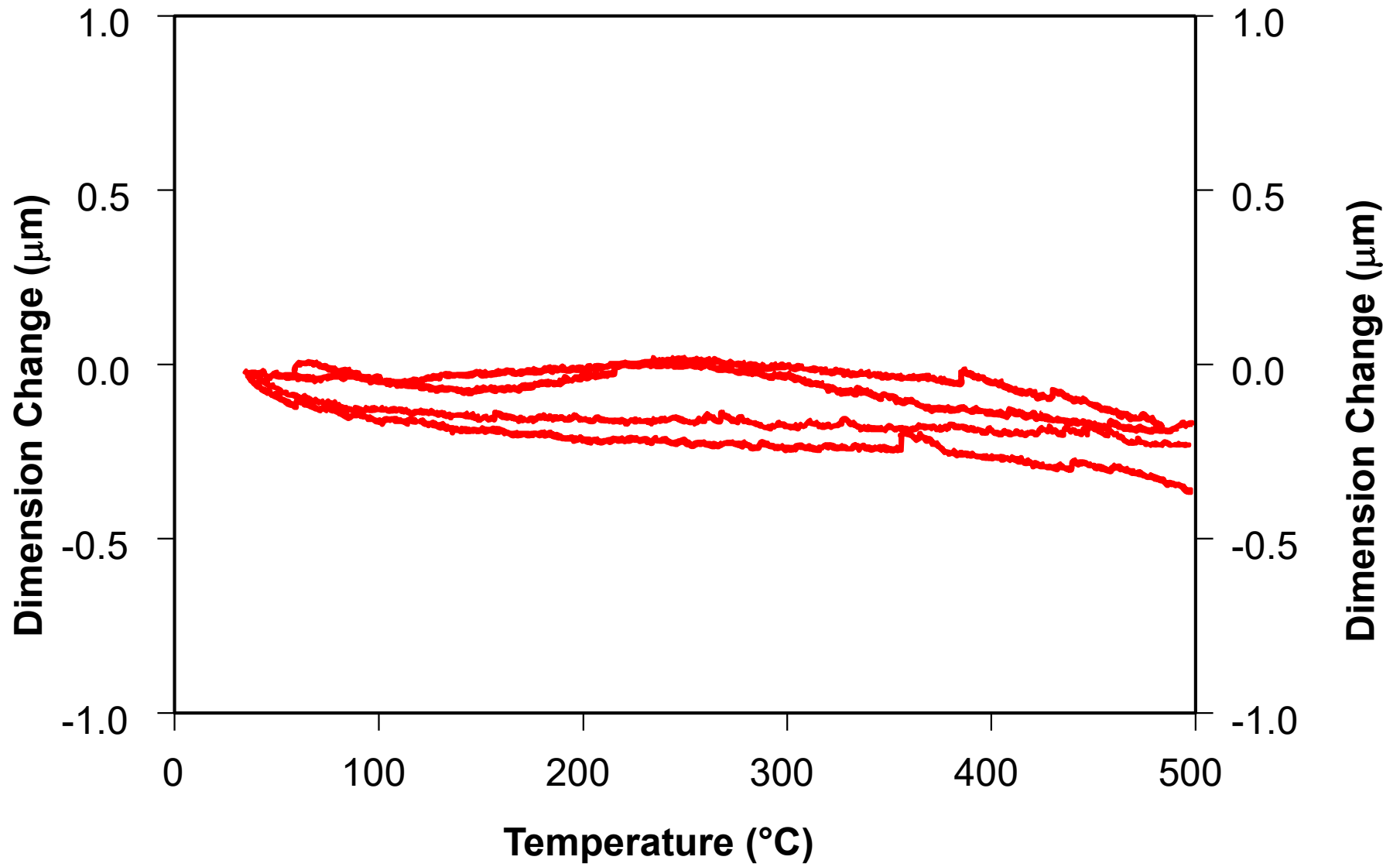


Hemispherical



The sample stage and probes are made of quartz and are optimized for an operational range of  $-150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $1000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Quartz is an ideal material because of its rigidity, inertness to corrosion, and very low thermal expansivity.

# Baseline Performance



# TMA: Structure – Function – Properties Relationship



## Measure Dimensional Change Properties

- Change in Length
- Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (CTE)
- Softening Point
- Transition Temperatures
- Stress/Strain

## Caused by:

- Formulation
- Molecular structure
- Degree of crystallinity or crosslinking
- Aging

## Understand & Predict

- Compatibility
- Deflection Temperature Under Load
- Product Performance/Failure
- Structure Formation



# Definition of Coefficient of Thermal Expansion ( $\alpha$ )

- Differential or point definition

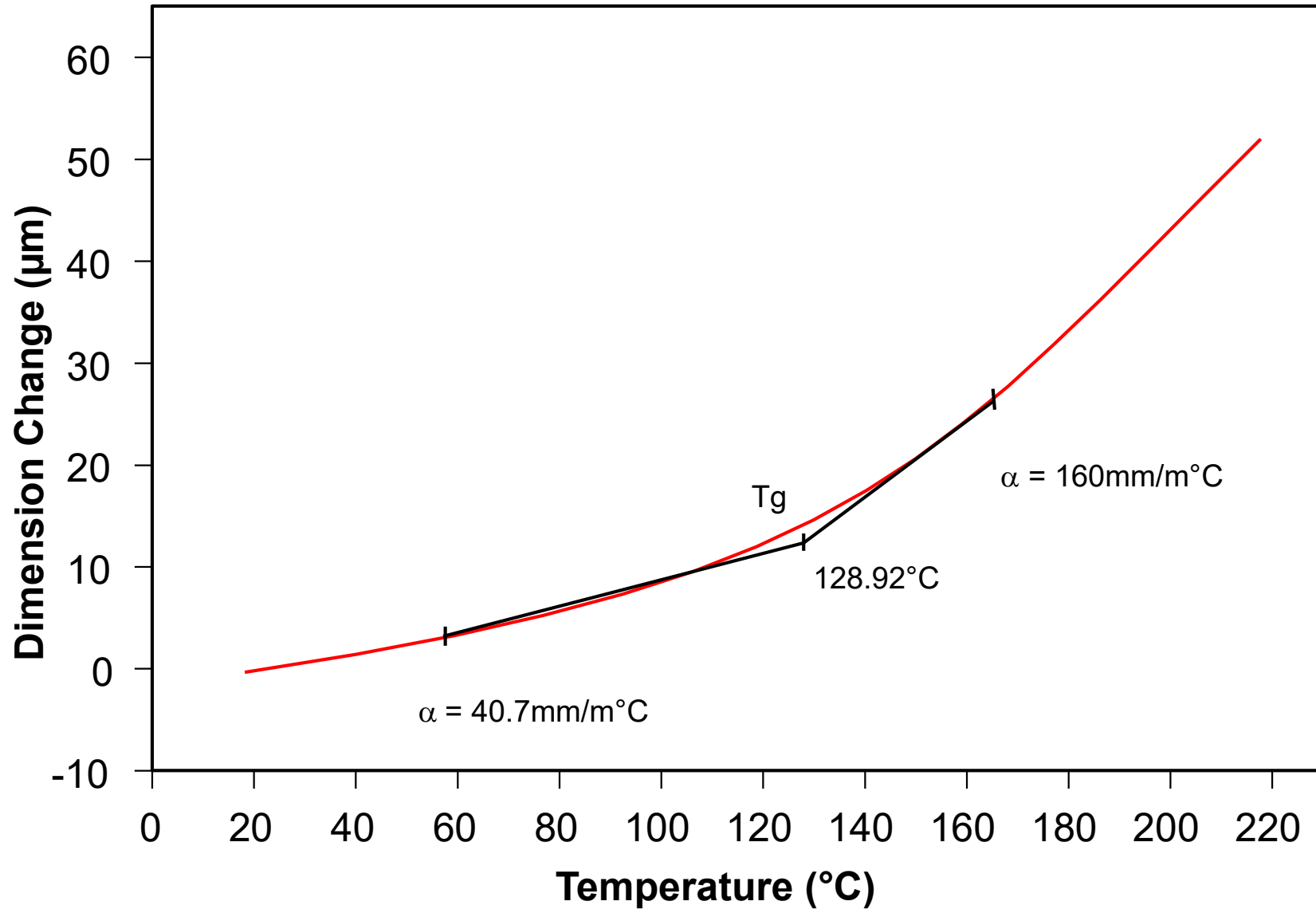
$$\alpha = \frac{1}{L_0} \frac{dL}{dT}$$

- Slope definition

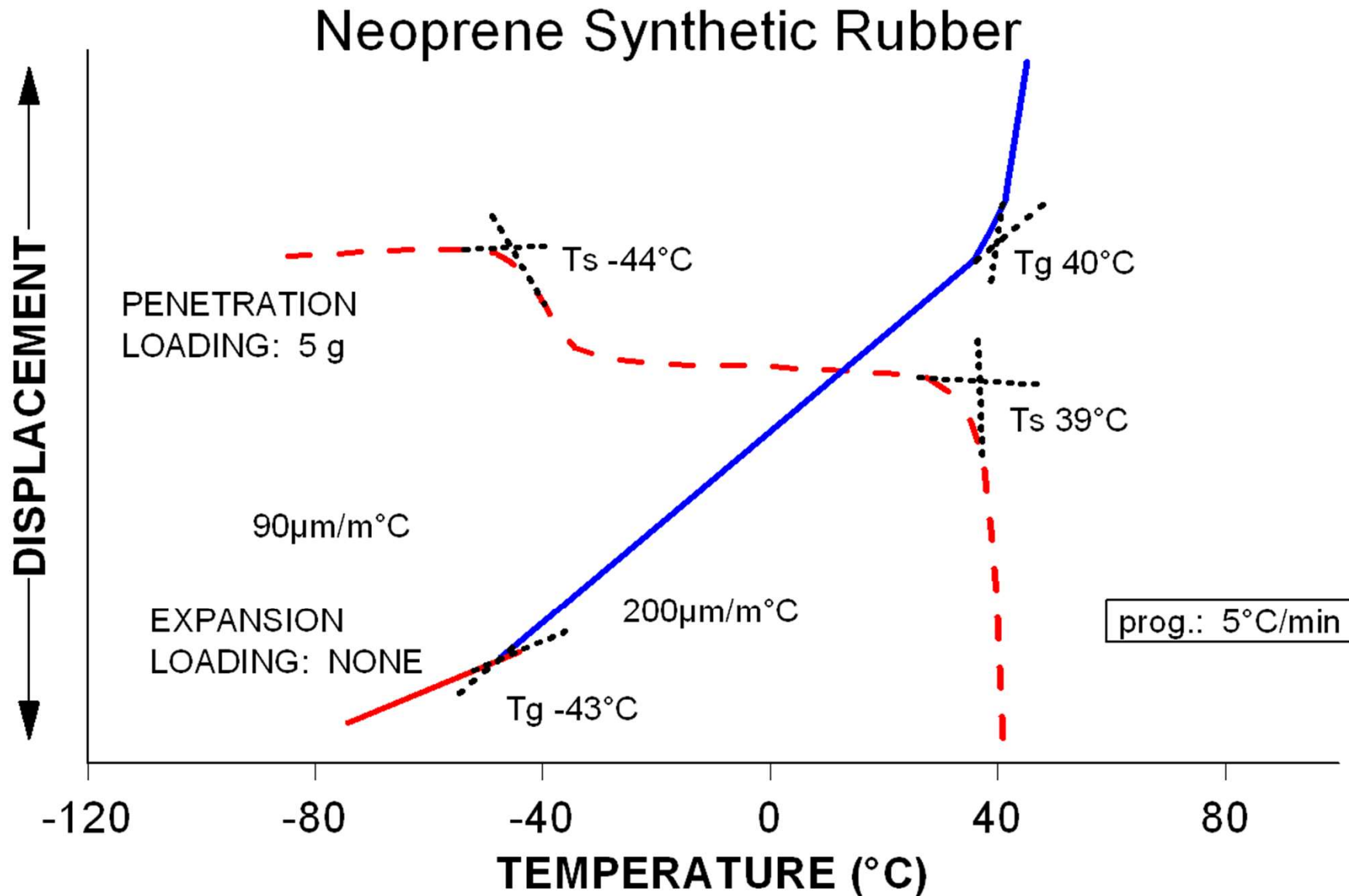
$$\alpha = \frac{1}{L_0} \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta T}$$

- Where  $L_0$  is the sample's initial length.

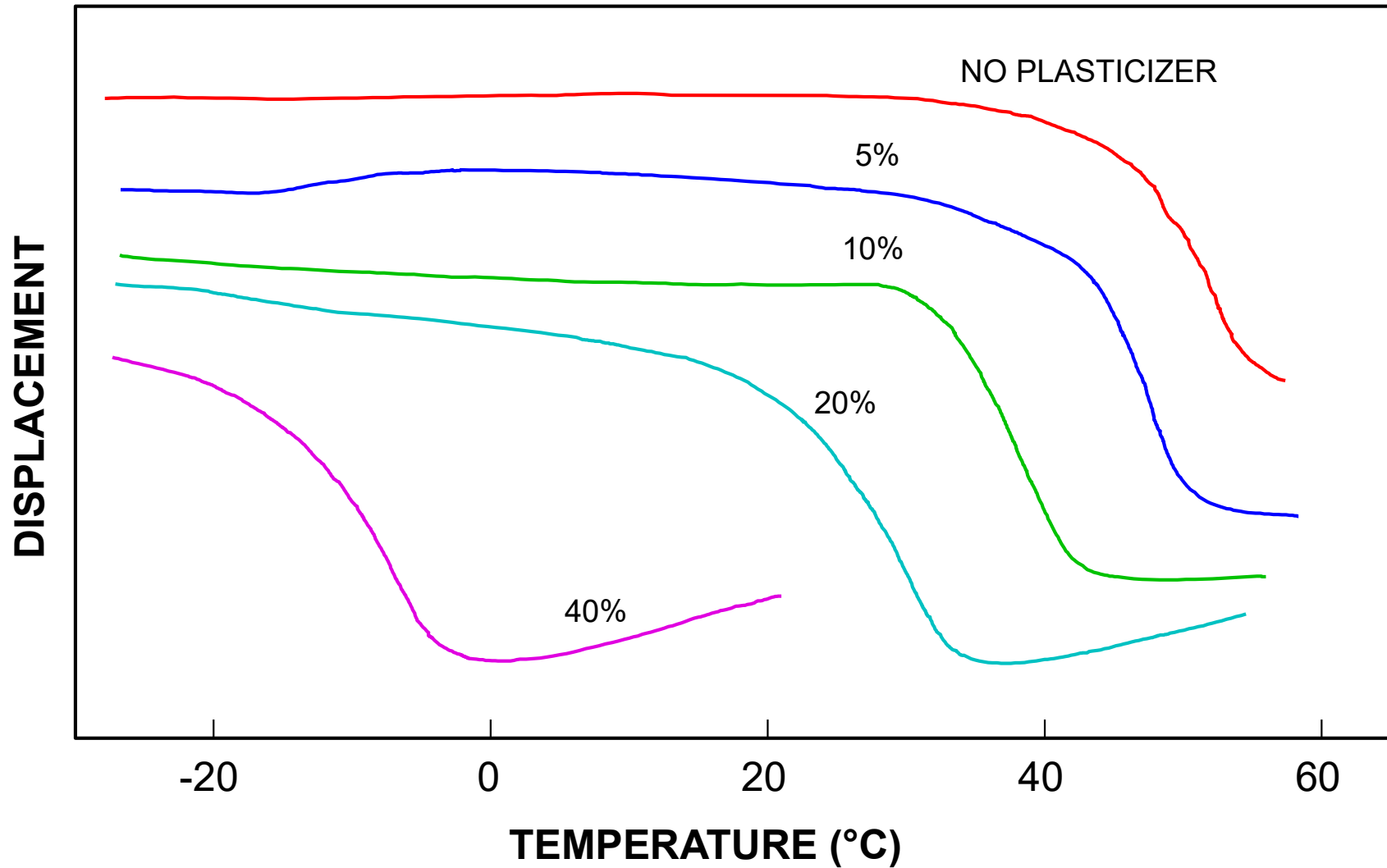
# Expansion of PCB Laminate Sample – Expansion Probe



# Glass Transitions and Softening Points

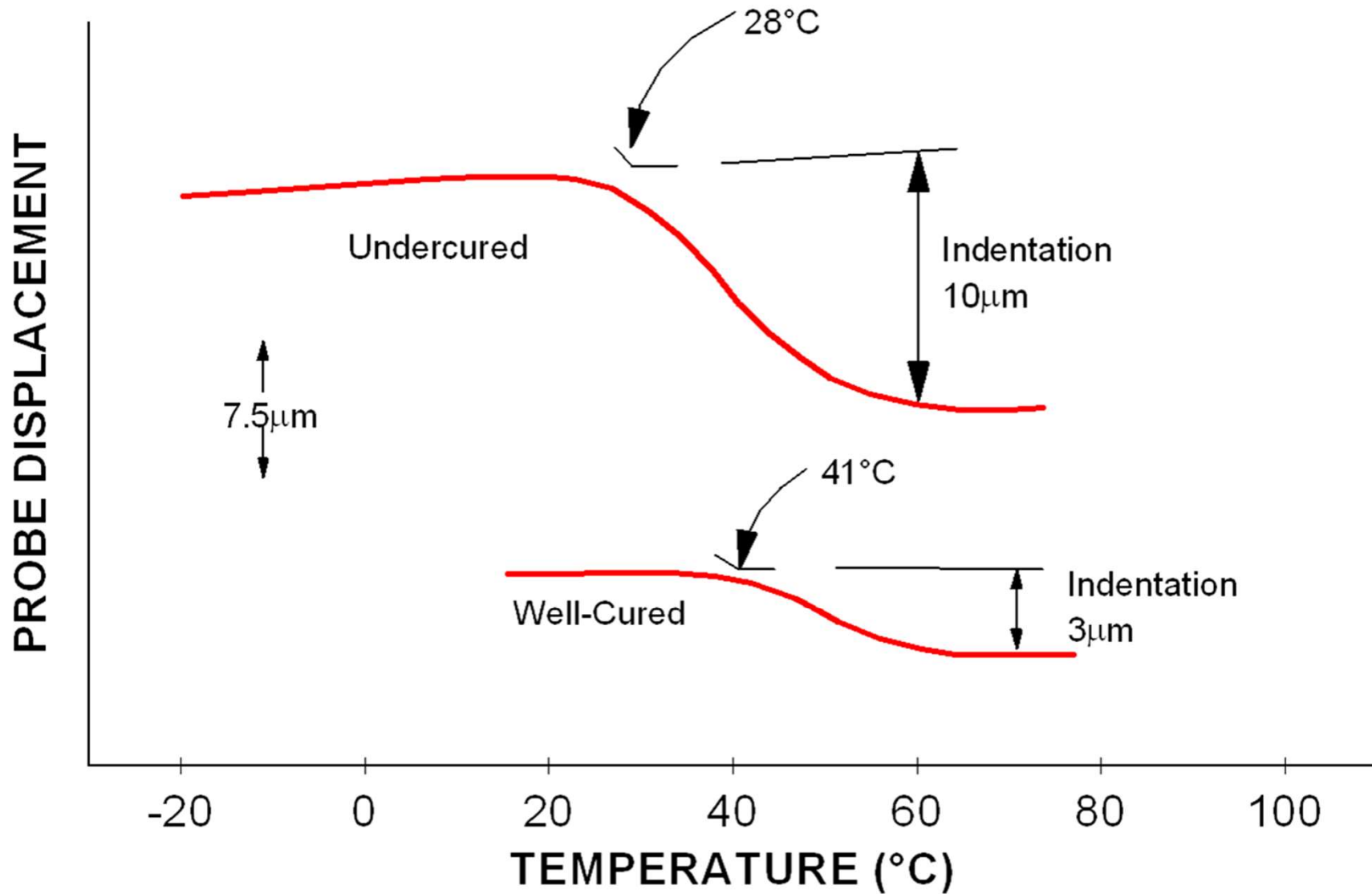


# Plasticizer Effects on Polyvinylbutynal



Pollinger and Messing, Materials Science Research, 19  
(Advanced Materials Characterization 2), (1985), pp 359-370

# Softening of Acrylic Coating



Schoff & Kamarchik in *Materials Characterization by Thermomechanical Analysis*,  
ASTM STP, 1136, Riga and Neag Eds., ASTM, Phila., (1991), pp138-149

# TMA 450 RH: System Components

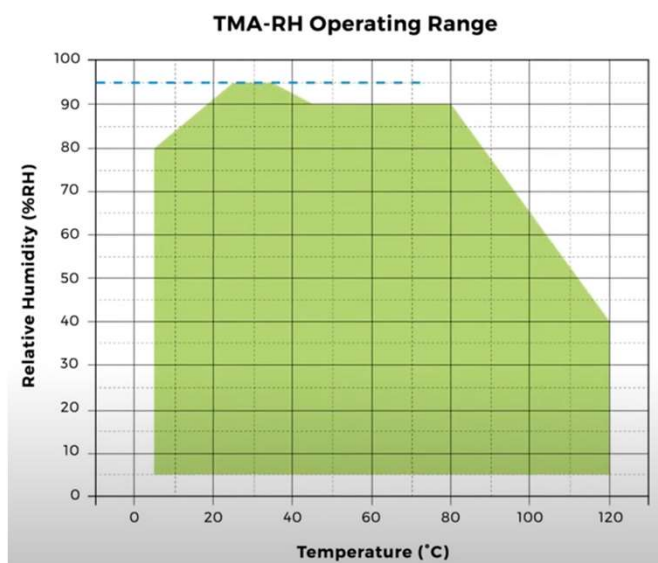


The TMA 450 RH includes the following:

1. A fully engineered and integrated sample chamber specifically designed to provide the most precise temperature and humidity-controlled environment on the market.
2. The TMA RH Accessory that contains the gas humidifier and controls the flow of humidified gas to the sample chamber.
3. A heated vapor transfer line connecting the TMA RH Accessory to the sample chamber. The transfer line is maintained above the vapor dew point for transfer of the vapor without condensation.

# Discovery TMA 450 RH: Features and Specifications

- Broadest range of RH and Temperature of any instrument on the market
- Extensive selection of low-expansion quartz fixtures providing industry leading baseline flatness for superior dimension change measurements
- Non-contact, friction-free motor delivers forces from 0.001N to 2N enabling measurements on the widest range of samples
- Advanced modes for dynamic, creep, stress relaxation, or isostrain experiments

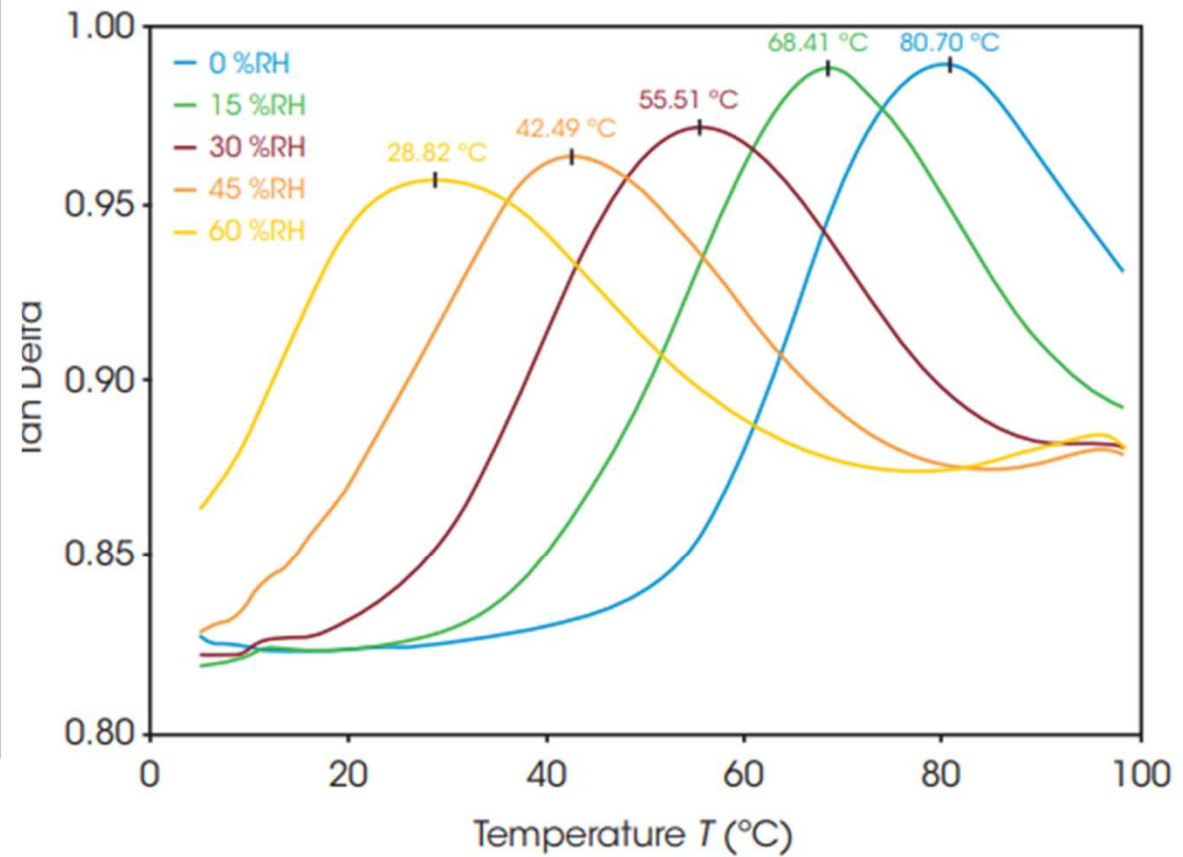


<b>Temperature Range</b>	5 – 120°C
<b>Temperature Precision</b>	±0.1°C
<b>Heating/Cooling Rate</b>	0.1 – 1°C/min
<b>Humidity Range</b>	5 – 95 % (see chart)
<b>Humidity Accuracy</b>	5 – 90% ±3% >90 – 95% ±5%
<b>Humidity Ramp Rate</b>	0.1 – 2 %RH/min
<b>Maximum Sample Size</b>	26 mm
<b>Measurement Precision</b>	±0.1%
<b>Sensitivity</b>	15 nm
<b>Force Range</b>	0.001 – 2 N

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# Effects of RH on Tg of Nylon





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