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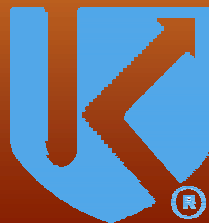
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*The slow and winding road to "ZERO" VOC*



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# WHAT IS VOC (VOLATILE ORGANIC CONTENT)

## USA

“any organic compound that participates in atmospheric photochemical reactions except those designated by EPA as having negligible photochemical reactivity”

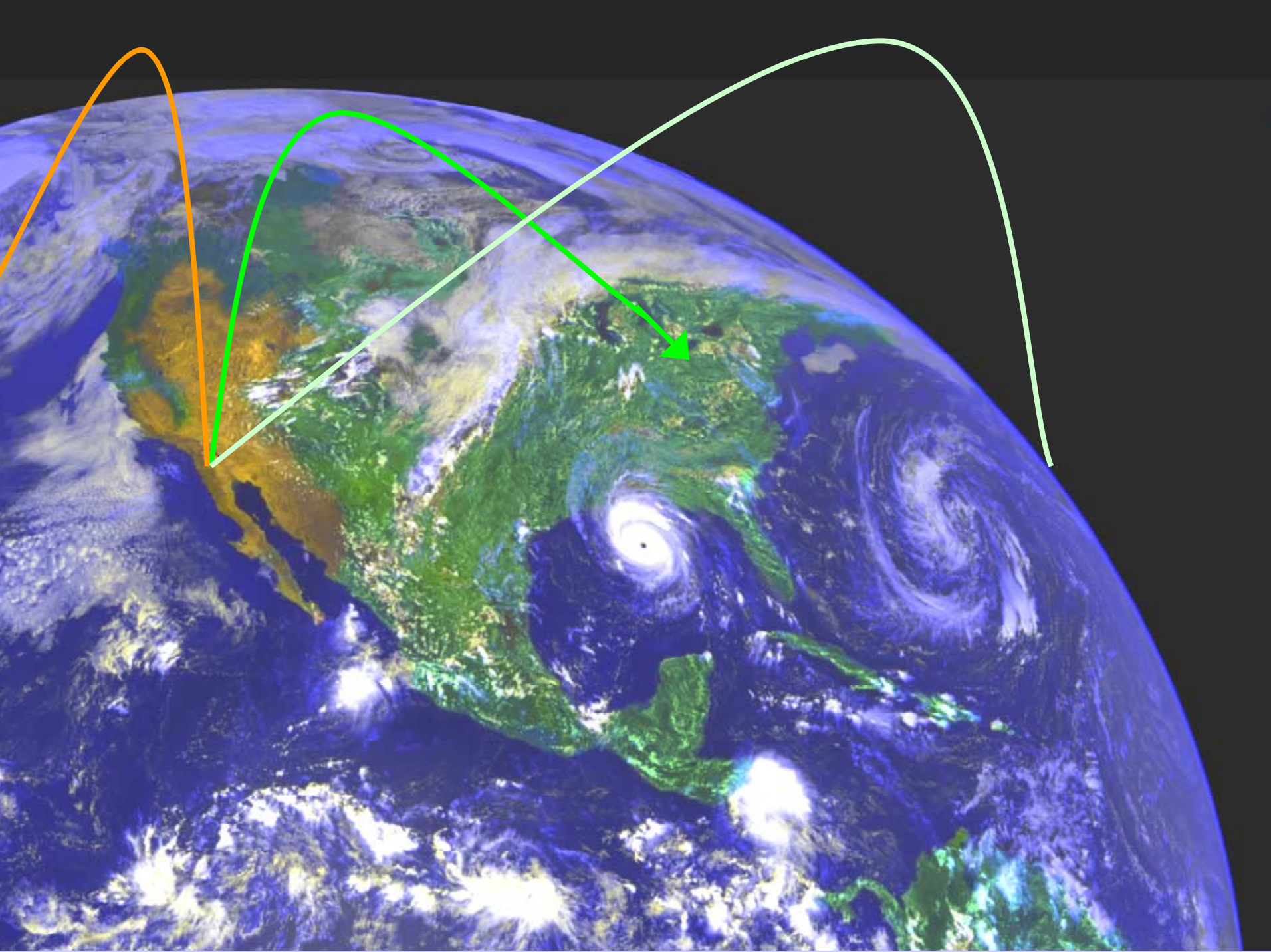
## AUSTRALIA

organic compounds with a vapour pressure of more than 0.01 mm Hg at 21°C, and with a boiling point of less than 250°C.

## EU

any organic compound having at 293.15K a vapour pressure of 0.01kPa or more, or having a corresponding volatility under the particular conditions of use





# German Legislation Concerning the Environment

- 1970 basically 2 laws:  
Abfallbeseitigungsgesetz,  
Bundesimmissionschutzgesetz
- 1996 Alltogether approx. 2000 laws, edicts,  
regulations and recommendations by  
the authorities

# **WHY REDUCE VOC ?**

**ELIMINATION OF SOLVENT POLLUTION  
REDUCTION IN OZONE FORMATION  
SAFETY IN WORK PLACE  
HEALTH OF WORKER  
ENERGY USE FOR CURE**

# How is VOC Regulated

**Enduse**

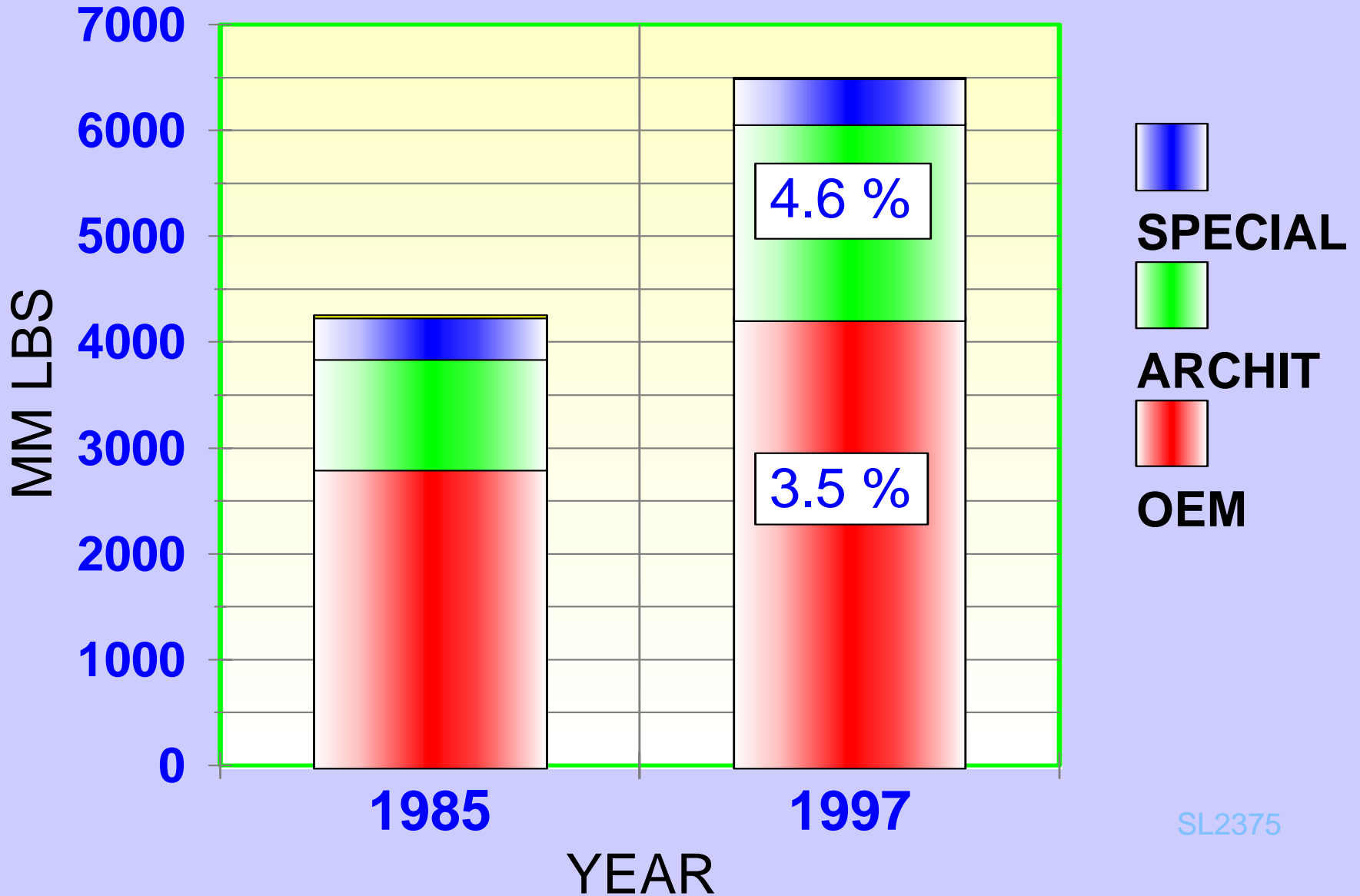
**Regional control**

**Location, Amount of paint used**

**Per Object (surface area)**

# RESIN CONSUMPTION

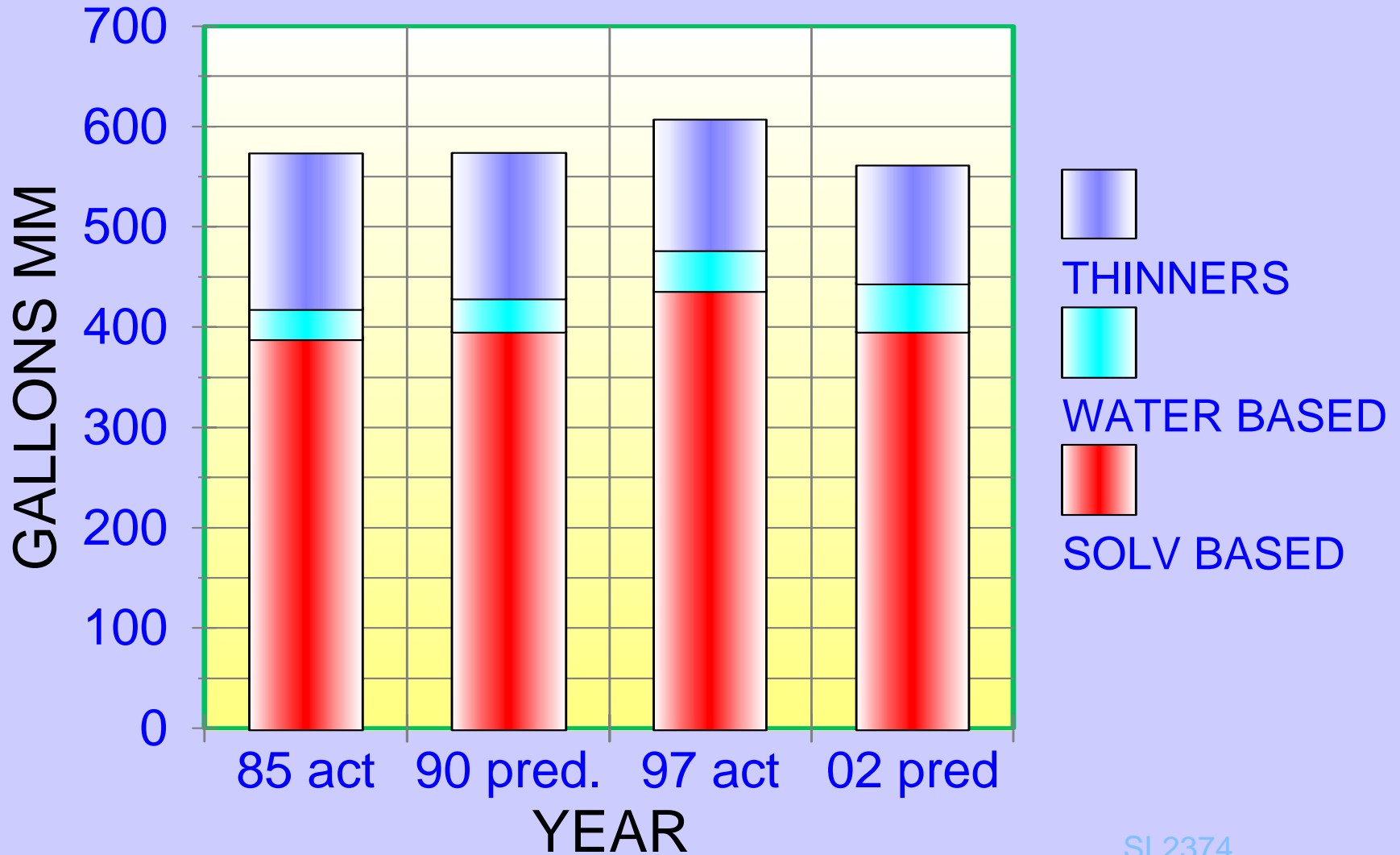
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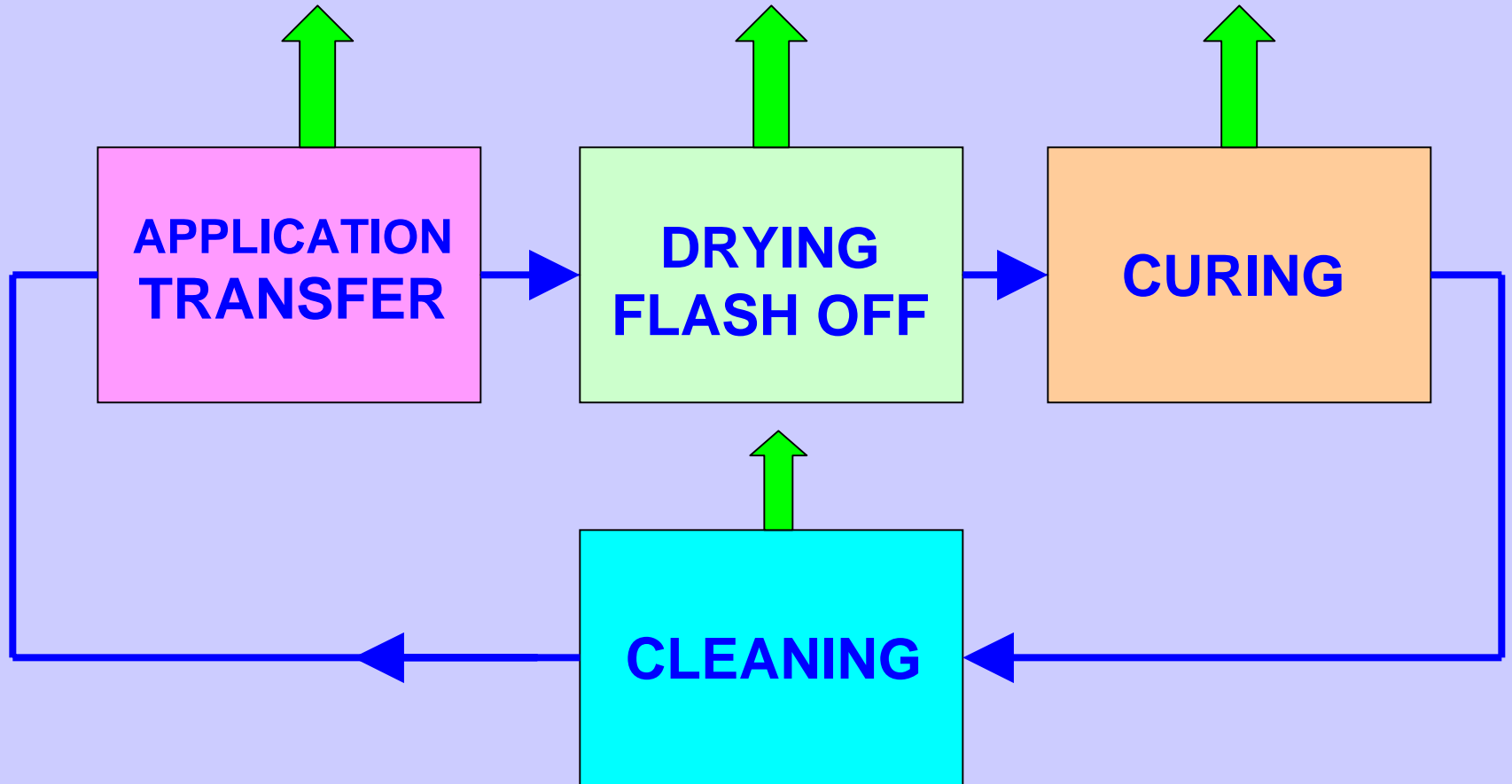
# SOLVENT CONSUMPTION

## ACTUAL & PREDICTED

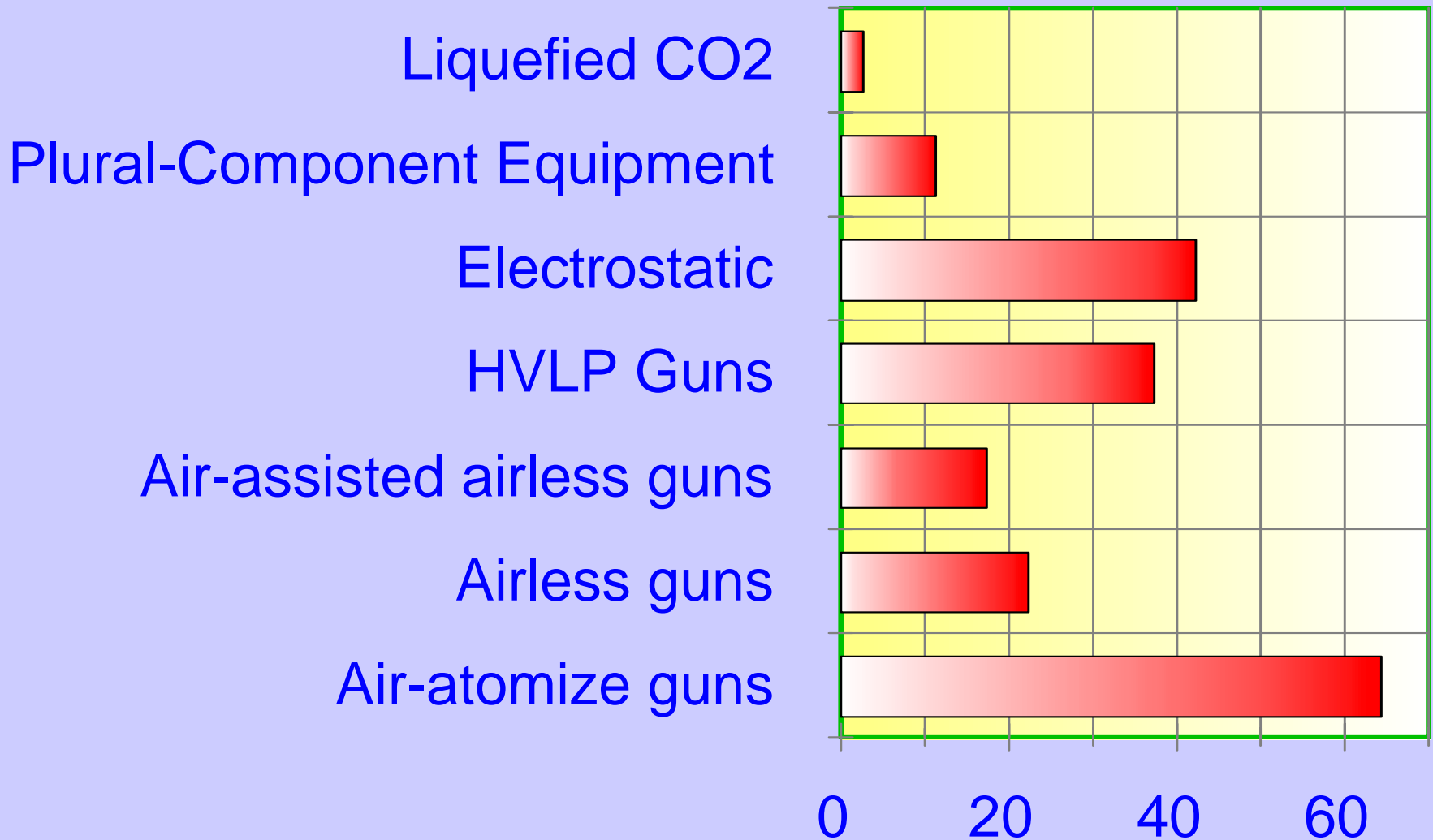


# SOLVENT EMISSION

## Product life cycle

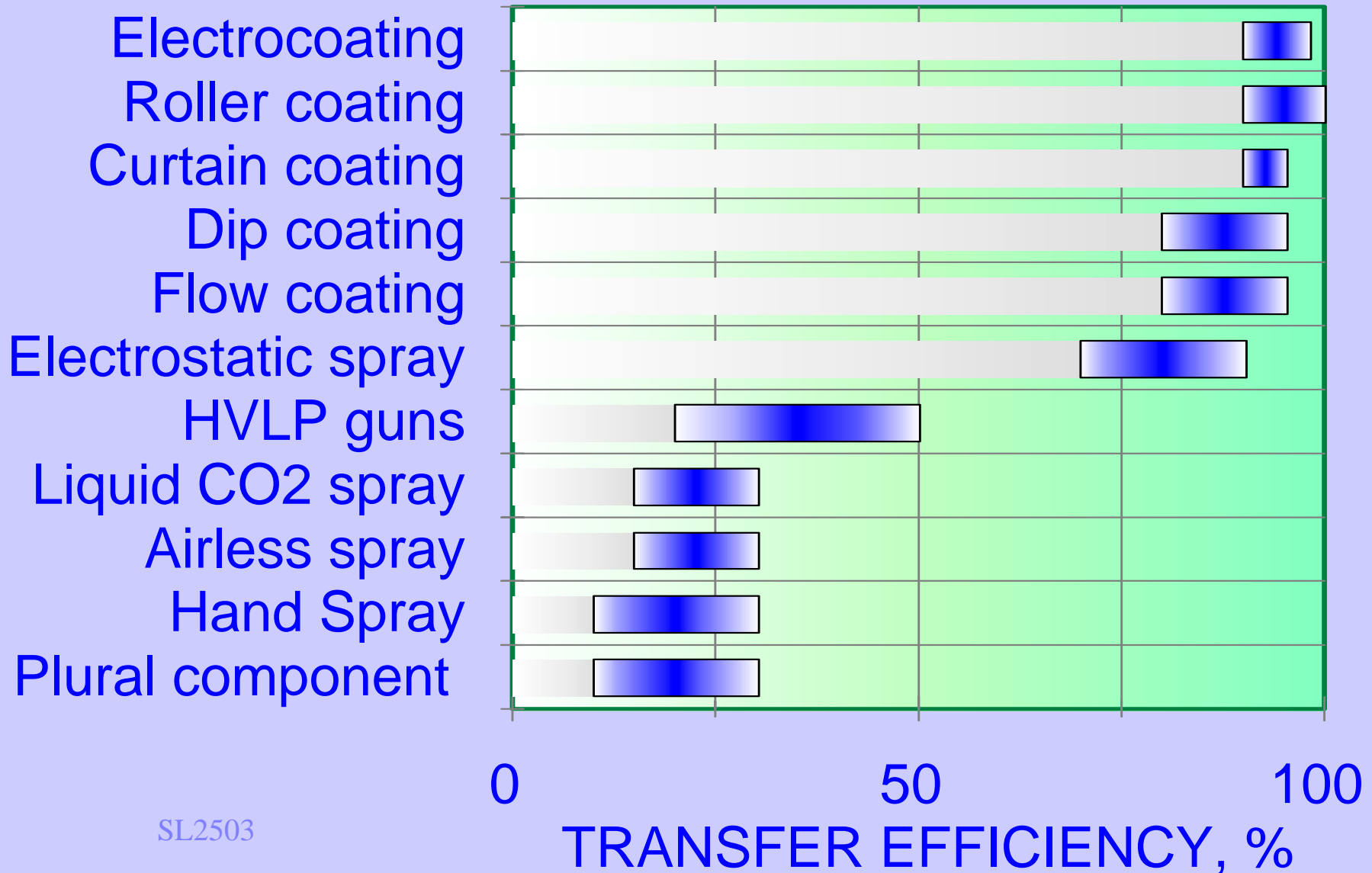


# Spray Equipment



SL1506

# APPLICATION METHOD



# COATING TECHNOLOGIES

HIGH SOLIDS - SOLVENT FREE

VISCOSITY/SOLIDS & POTLIFE/DRY TIME

WATERBORNE

COSOLVENT, APPLICATION CONDITIONS

ELECTROCOATING

DRY-TIME

PRODUCTION VOLUME, SUBSTRATE

CURE TEMPERATURE

UV/EB COATING

COMPLEX OBJECTS, PIGMENTS

POWDER COATING

LOW FILM THICKNESS, CURE TEMPERATURE

FLOW AND LEVELING

# HIGH SOLIDS - SOLVENT FREE COATINGS

## **Advantages**

Reduces VOC and HAP emissions

Reduces inventory

Reduces fire hazards

Reduces number of spray applications to achieve a given film thickness

Higher crosslink density improves abrasion and mar resistance

Compatible with conventional spray equipment

Reduces safety and odor problems

Reduced air makeup in ovens

# HIGH SOLIDS - SOLVENT FREE COATINGS

## Disadvantages

Generally requires high cure temperatures

Sensitive to inadequate cleaning of substrate

Is difficult to control film thickness

Tacky overspray; difficult to clean

Might require paint heater in system

Difficult to control sagging

Has narrow "time-temperature-cure" window

Cannot use in dip or flow coating

Is difficult to repair

Shorter pot-life than conventional coatings

# WATERBORNE COATINGS

## Advantages

Reduces VOC and HAP emissions

Can use conventional application processes

Reduces toxicity and odor

Is easy to clean up

Reduces disposal of hazardous waste

Can recover and reuse some waterborne paints

Non-hazardous waste disposal might be possible



# WATERBORNE COATINGS

## Disadvantages

Has tendency to foam

Clean surface required

Longer drying times or increased oven temperatures

Has difficulty obtaining high gloss finish

Has difficult cleanup once coating is cured

Higher cost

Conversion might be expensive

Lower transfer efficiencies for electrostatic

Increases runs and sags

Requires good temperature/humidity control

Heated storage

# ELECTROCOATING

## Advantages

Utilizes over 90 percent of coating material

Uniform coating on all surfaces

High production rates

Corrosion-resistant coating

Low VOC and HAP emissions

Can be fully automated

# ELECTROCOATING

## Disadvantages

Substrate limitation

Separate lines for each color

High cost to install

Requires sophisticated maintenance

Difficult coating bulky, small parts

Requires de-ionized water

Is restricted to large volume finishing

Has coating thickness limitation

Requires corrossions-resistant equipment

# RADIATION CURING UV/EB

## Advantages

Lower VOC and HAP content

Lower capital investment than conventional ovens

Short cure time

Low energy costs

Consistent performance

Requires small ovens

Low air movement that reduces dust contamination

Easily installed/retrofitted

Reduces fire and explosion hazard

# RADIATION CURING UV/EB

## Disadvantages

Cure inhibition by pigments

Higher RM costs for EB and UV coatings

Potential skin irritation problems with acrylate

Shrinkage and adhesion problems with acrylate

Curing sensitive to shape of part

# POWDER COATING

## Advantages

No solvent flash-off required

No coatings mix room needed

Minimal oven length required

Low ventilation required

Less floor space required

VOC and HAP compliant, i.e., no solvents

Good corrosion resistance

High transfer efficiencies, 95-99%

Saves energy

Requires little operator expertise

No hazardous overspray, waste sludge

Reduces worker exposure to solvent vapors

# POWDER COATING

## Disadvantages

High cure temperature

Small batches expensive to manufacture

Metallic powder coatings not as attractive

Appearance problems

Enhances Faraday cage effect

Difficult to achieve thin films below 1.0-1.5 mils

May cause powder clumping

Difficult to change colors

Needs cool, dry storage area

Must pretreat substrate

# COATING TECHNOLOGIES

HIGH SOLIDS - SOLVENT FREE

VISCOSITY/SOLIDS, REACTION PRODUCTS

WATERBORNE

COSOLVENT, REACTION PRODUCTS

ELECTROCOATING

COSOLVENTS, REACTION PRODUCTS

UV/EB COATING

POWDER COATING



# High Solids Challenges

Nonvolatile - Viscosity

Crosslinking

Network formation

Application characteristics

Potlife - reactivity

Rheology

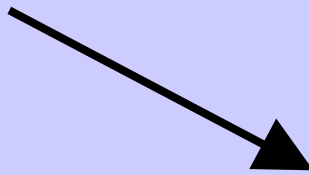
Sagging

Pigmentation - Flocculation

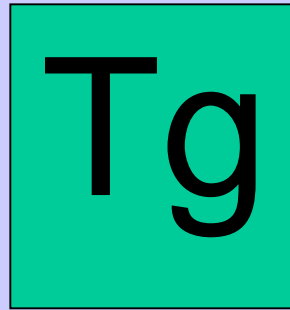
# Glass Transition Temperature

Mobility of polymer chains  
Free volume

Structure



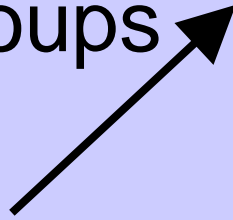
Molecular weight



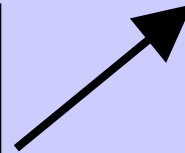
Functional groups



Crosslinking



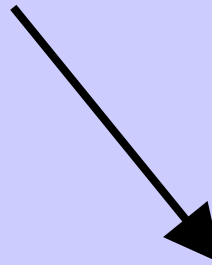
Viscosity



Physical properties

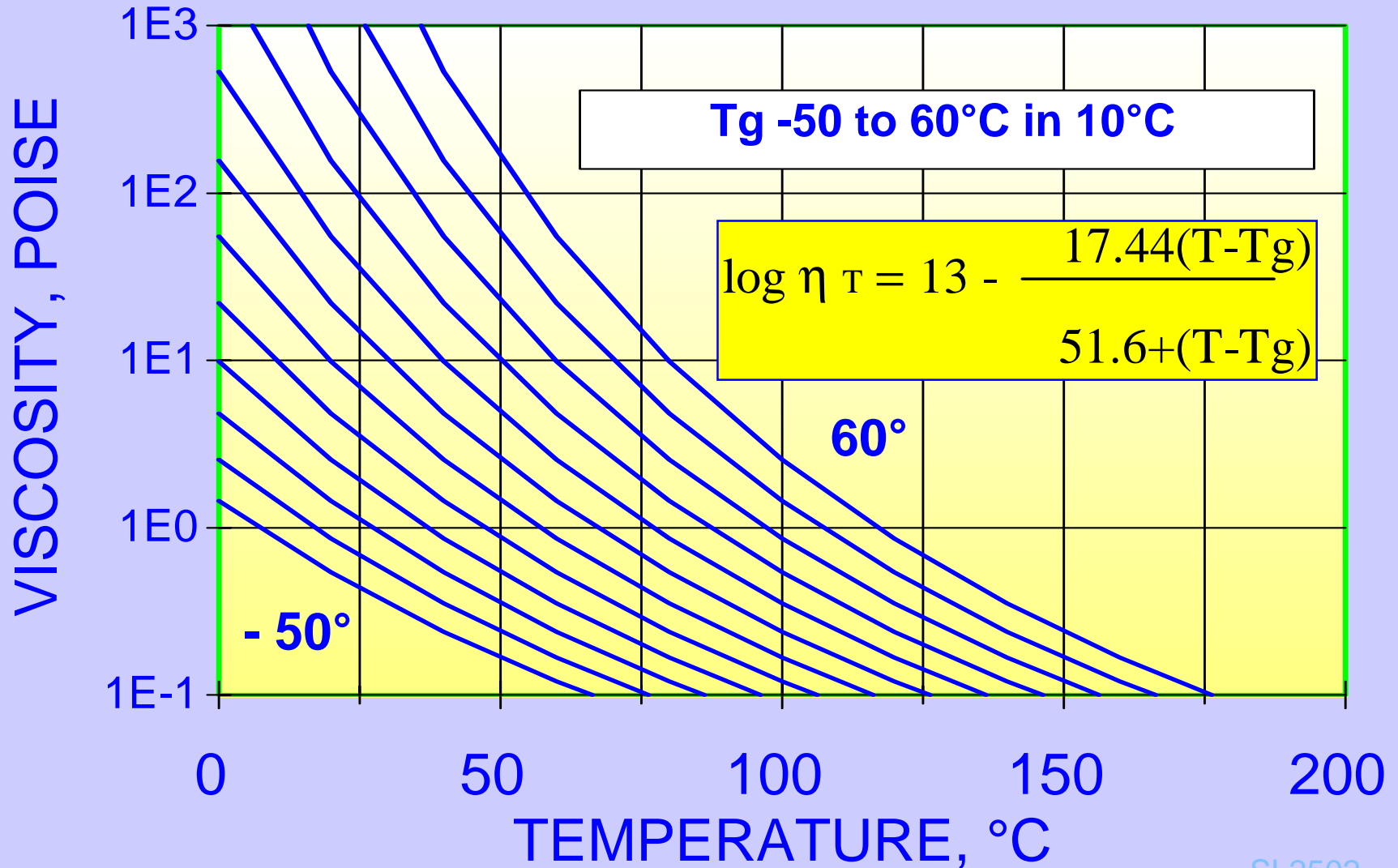


Chemical properties



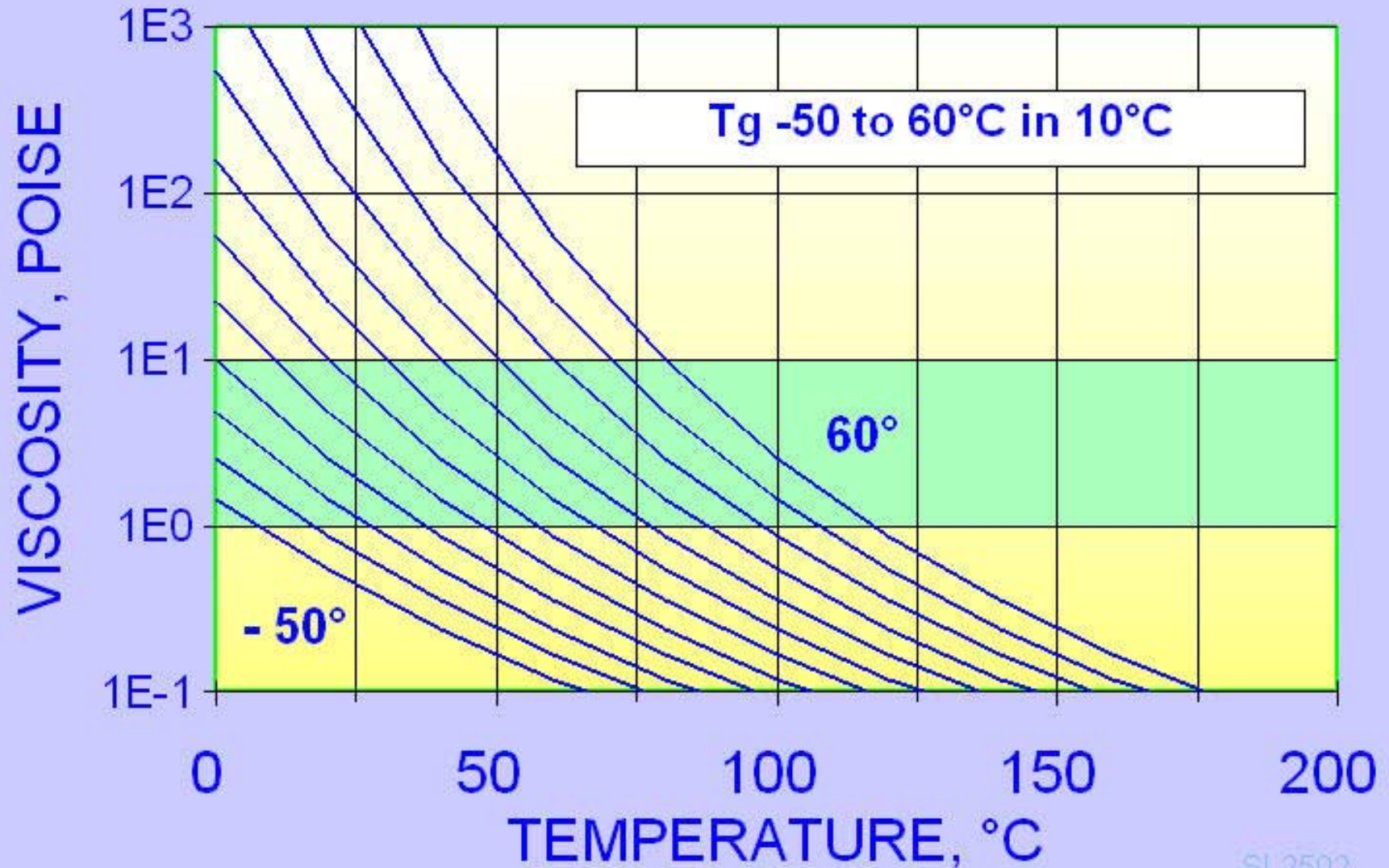
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OLIGOMERS MW 500



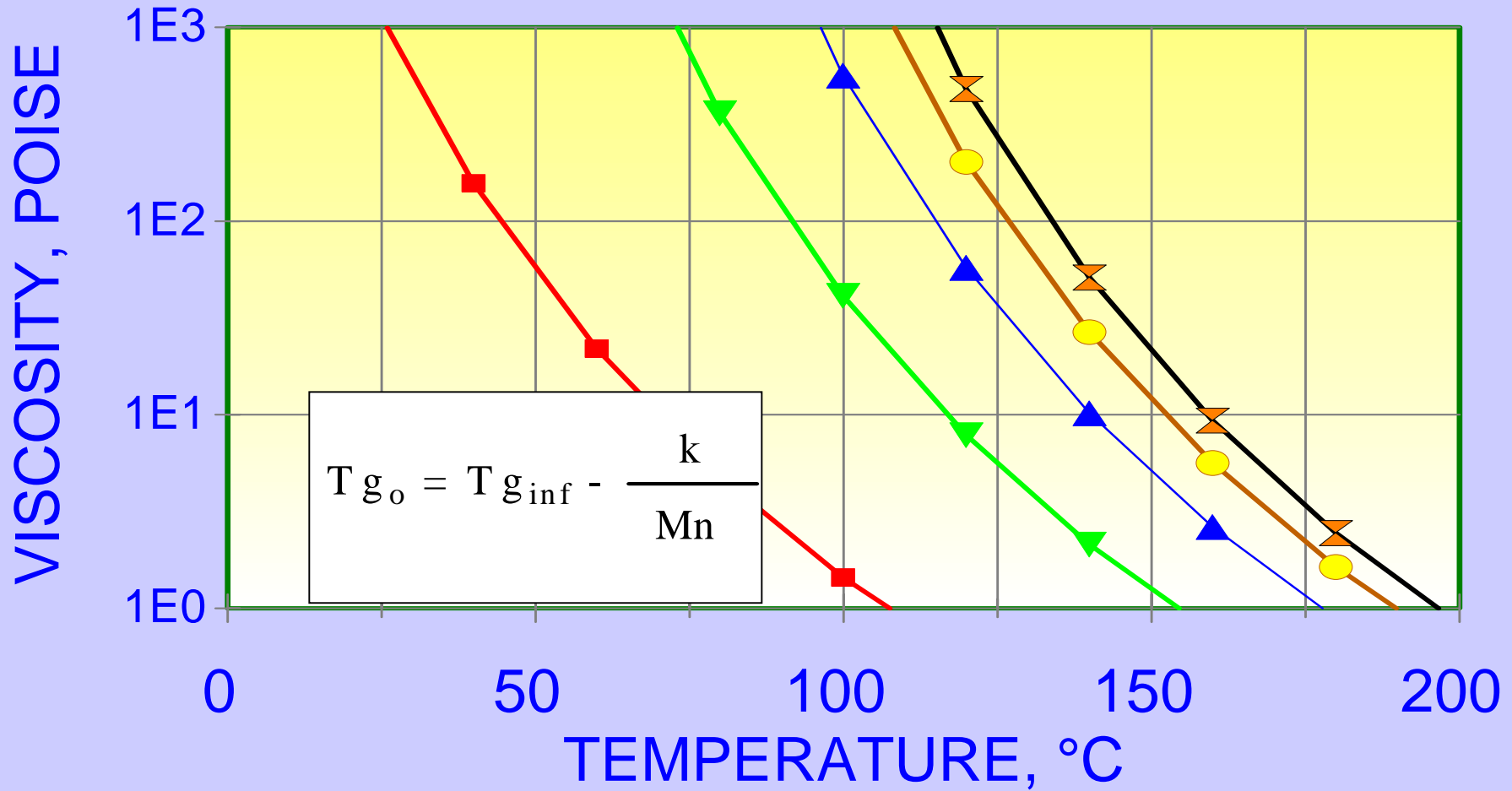
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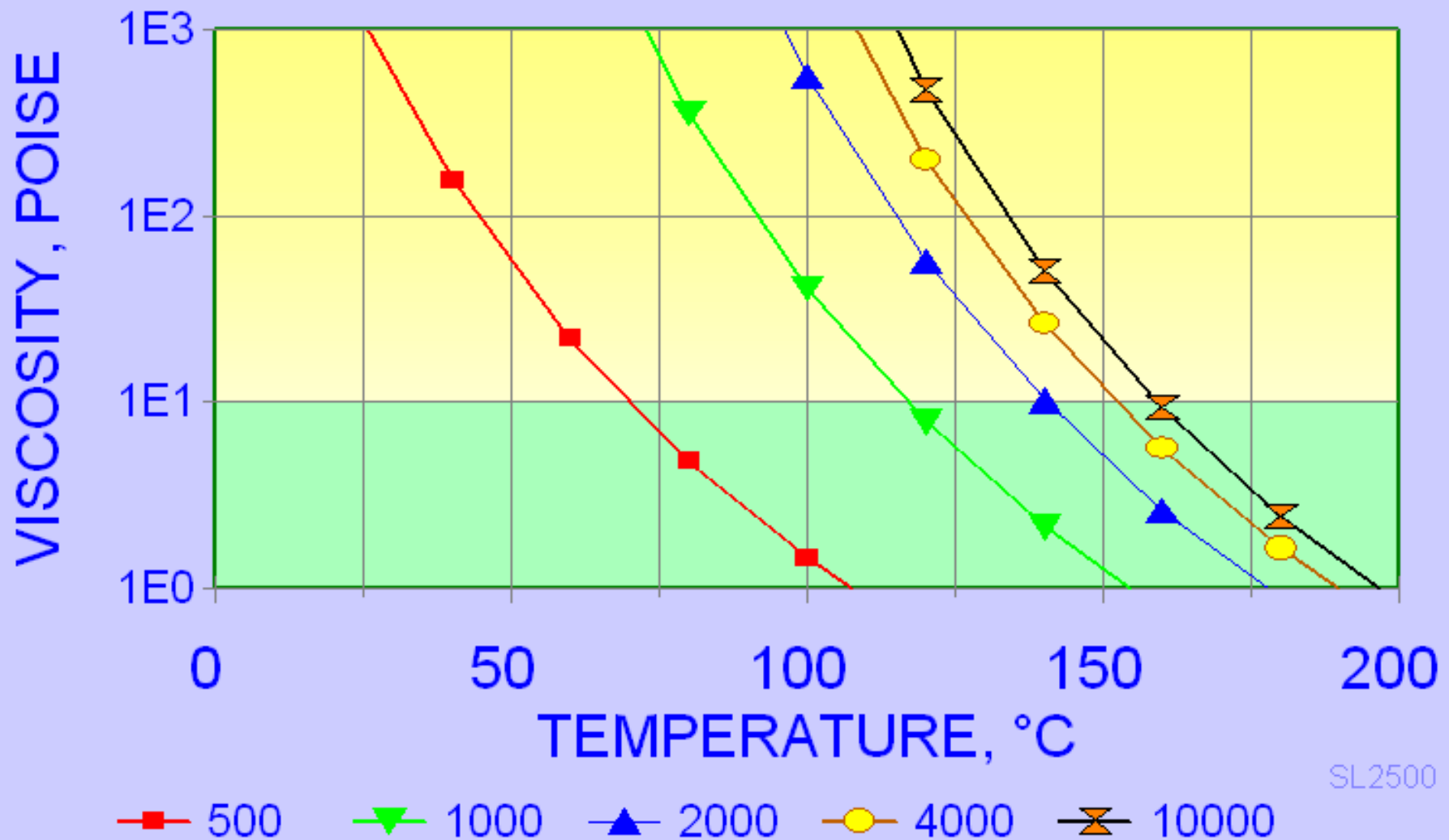
OLIGOMERS, T<sub>g</sub> 50°C



—■— 500    —▼— 1000    —▲— 2000    —●— 4000    —×— 10000

# VISCOSITY - TEMPERATURE

OLIGOMERS,  $T_g$  50°C



# WATERBORNE COATINGS - COSOLVENTS

**EMULSIONS-DISPERSIONS**

**COALESCENCE**

**OPEN TIME**

**FLOW - LEVELING**

**GLOSS**

**ADDITIVES**

**WATER-SOLUBLE**

**MANUFACTURE**

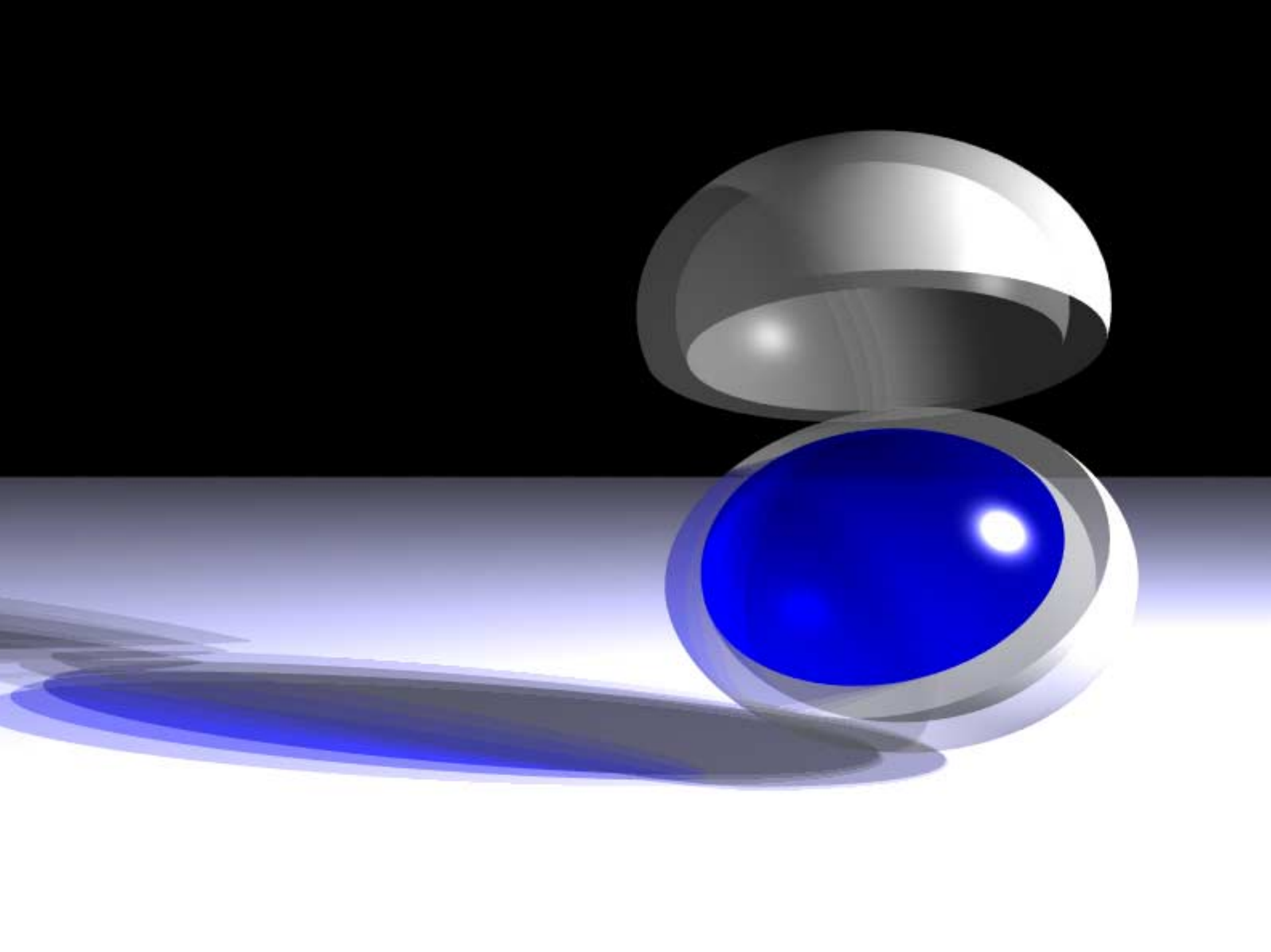
**HANDLING**

**DILUTION**

**OPEN TIME**

**BLISTERING**

**FLOW - LEVELING**





# WATERBORNE POLYMERS

Characteristic

Emulsion/  
dispersion polymer

Functional groups

Non-random

Amount of functional groups\*,  
MEQ/g

0 to 2

Surfactant

Yes

Particle size, micron

0.1-2.0

Molecular weight

$10^4$ - $10^6$

Film uniformity

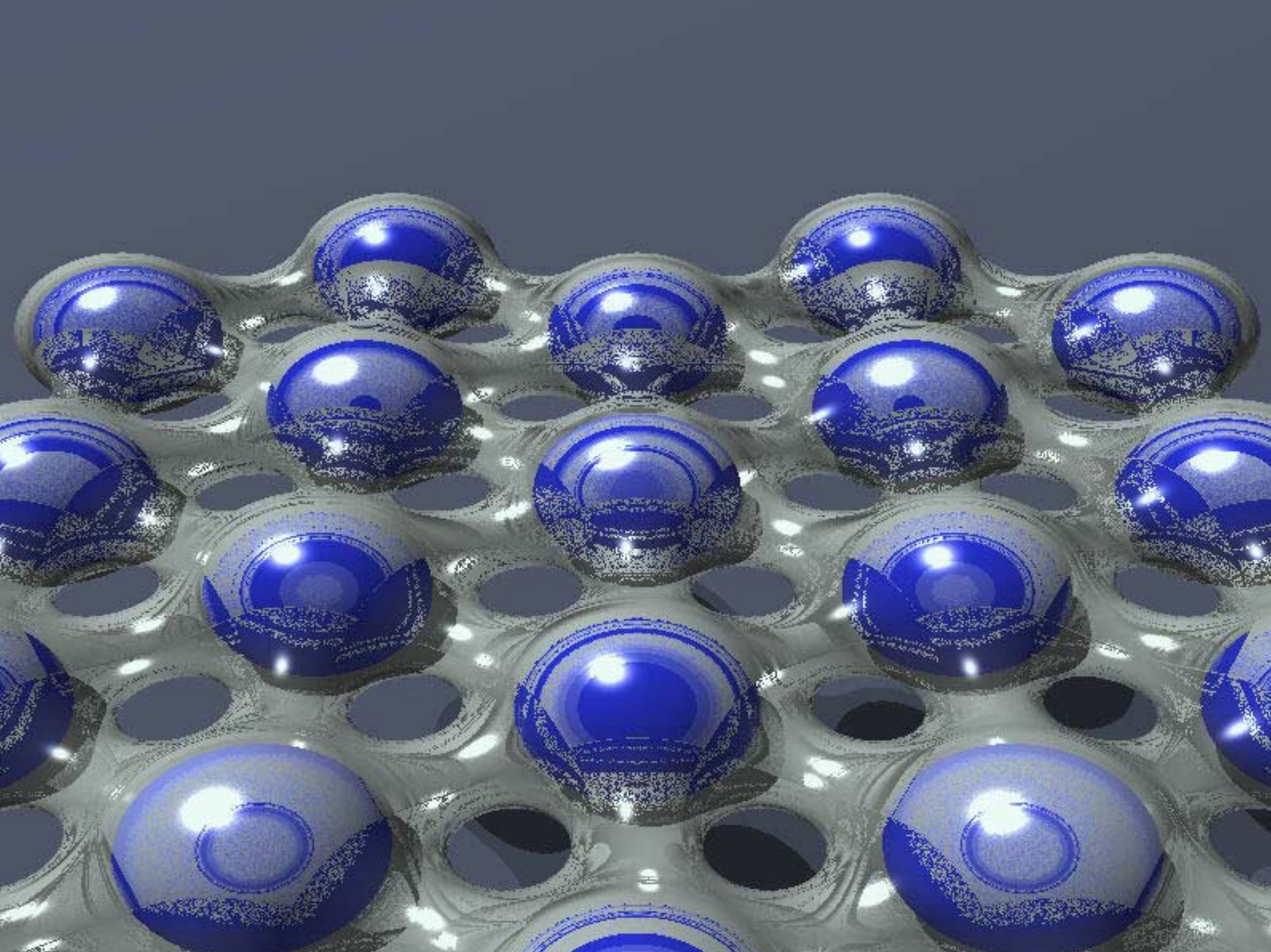
Heterogeneous

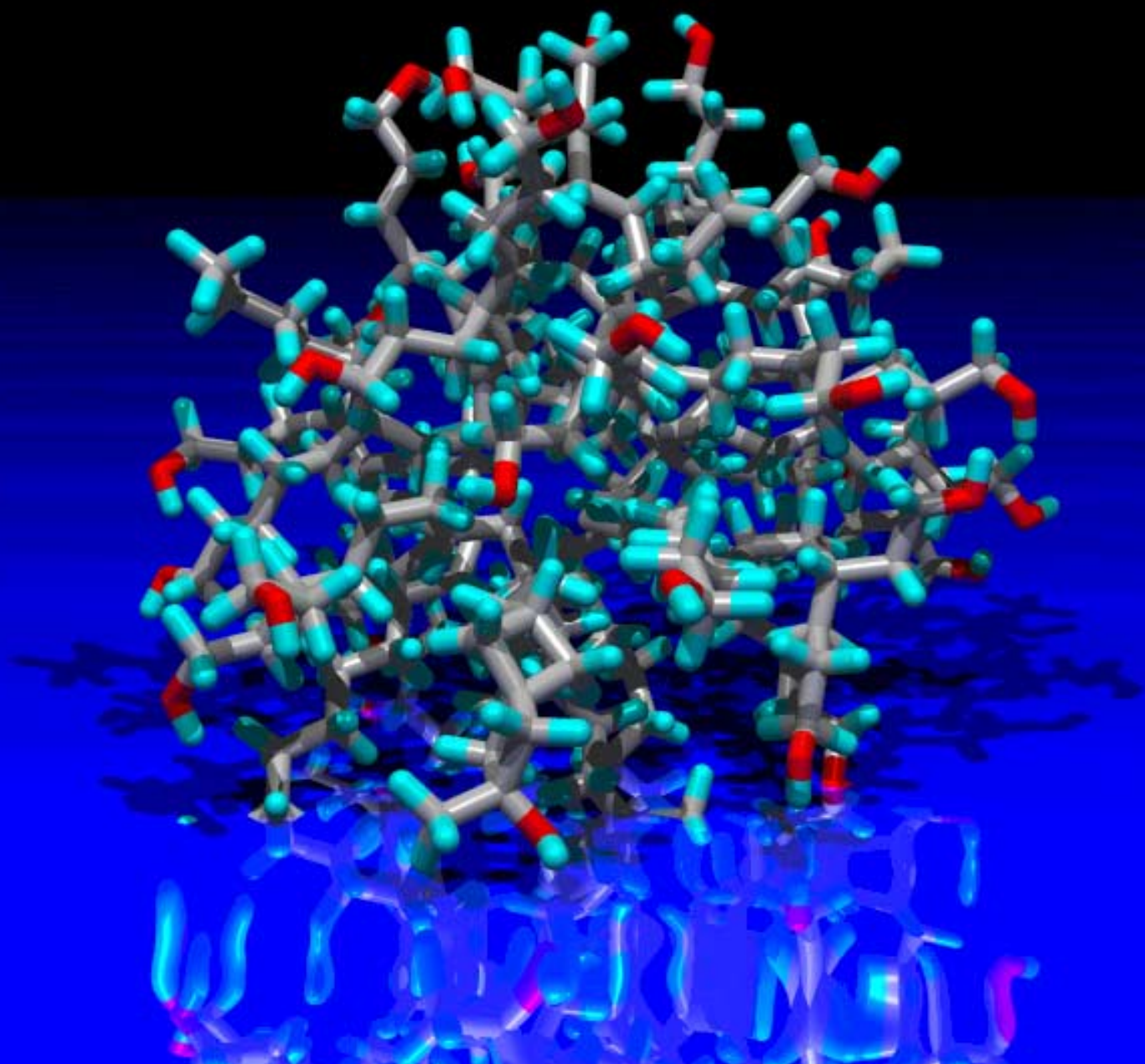
Film formation

Tg dependent

Cosolvent

Coalescence





# WATERBORNE POLYMERS

Characteristic

Solution or bulk

Functional groups

Random distribution

Amount of functional groups,  
MEQ/g

0.5 to 2

Surfactant

No

Particle size, micron

0.01 to 0.1

Molecular weight

$10^3$ - $10^4$

Film uniformity

Homogenous

Film formation

No Tg effect

Cosolvent

Dispersion-synthesis

# WATERBORNE REACTIVE DILUENT-COSOLVENTS

Chemistry

Advantage - disadvantage

Non-ionic

Water sensitivity

Polyether polyol

Exterior durability

Bisphenol A EO-PO diols

Exterior durability

Urethane diols

Cost

Polyester polyol

Hydrolytic stability

Melamine resins

Heat cure, formaldehyde

Epoxy aliphatic

Not stable

Unsaturated compound

Light stability, color

Resin COOH functional

Amine

# CROSSLINKING REACTION

## WHY CROSSLINKING

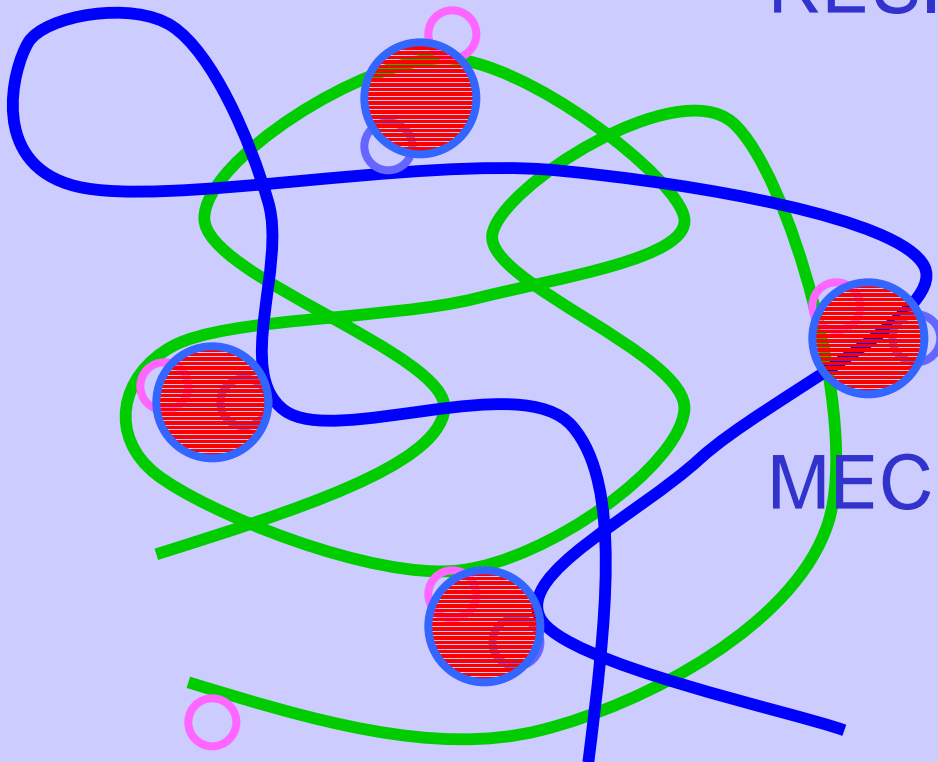
INCREASE IN MOLECULAR WEIGHT-NETWORK

RESISTANCE PROPERTIES

CHEMICAL  
SOLVENT  
CORROSION

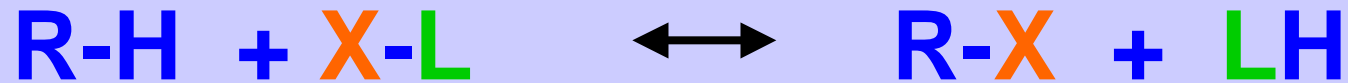
MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

HARDNESS  
FLEXIBILITY



# CROSSLINKING REACTION

Condensation reaction



ADVANTAGE

STABILITY-  
CURE RESPONSE

DISADVANTAGE

WEIGHT LOSS  
VOC  
FILM SHRINKAGE  
STRESS  
GLOSS  
COST

# CONDENSATION REACTIONS

Amino resins, melamine, urea formaldehyde

**FORMALDEHYDE, ALCOHOL, WATER**

Blocked isocyanate

**KETOXIME, PYRAZOL, ALCOHOL**

Silane, siloxane

**ALCOHOL**

Hydroxyethyl amide -carboxyl

**WATER**

Methylol amide, glycoluril, cyclic urea

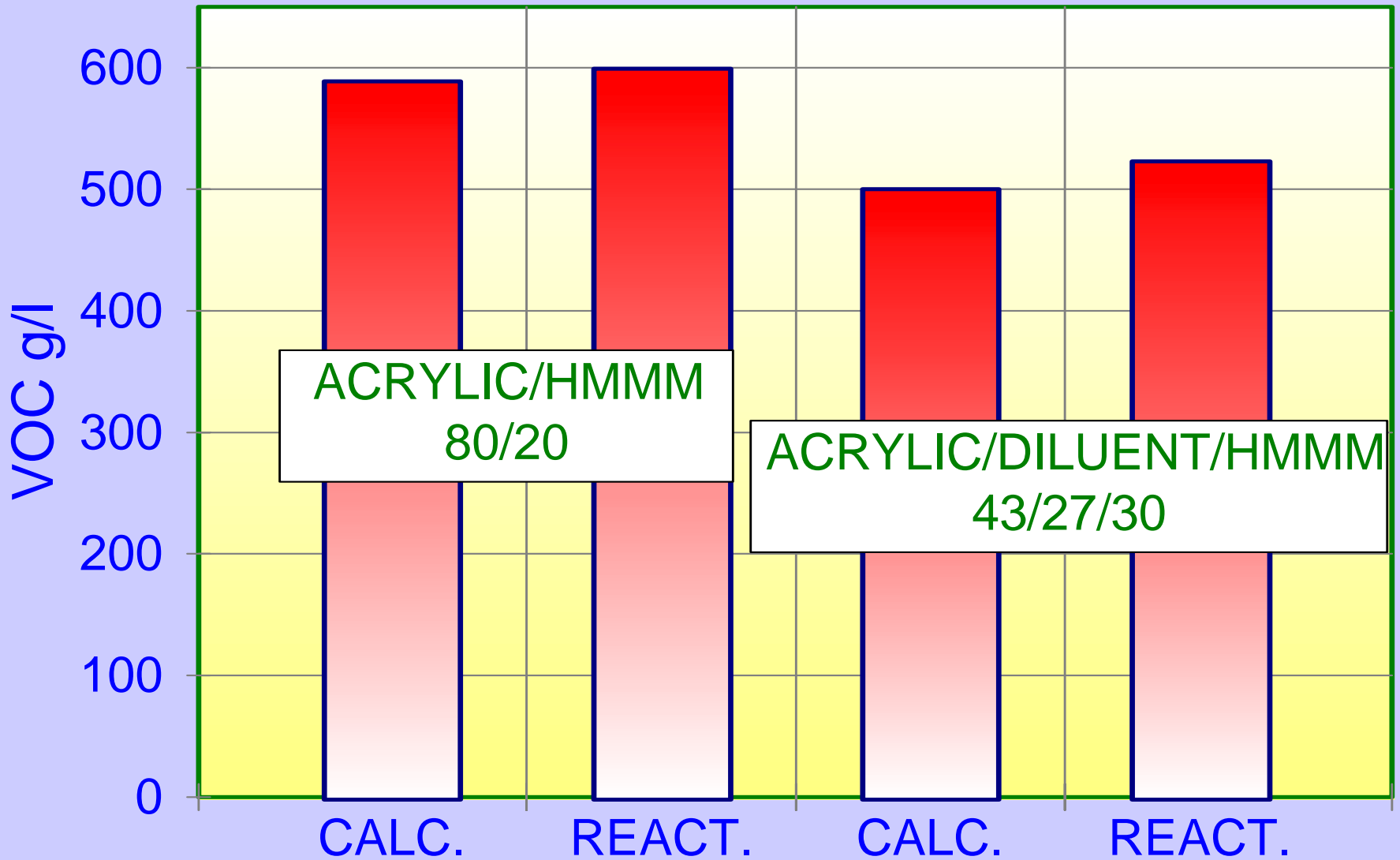
**WATER**

Hydroxyl-carboxyl

**WATER**

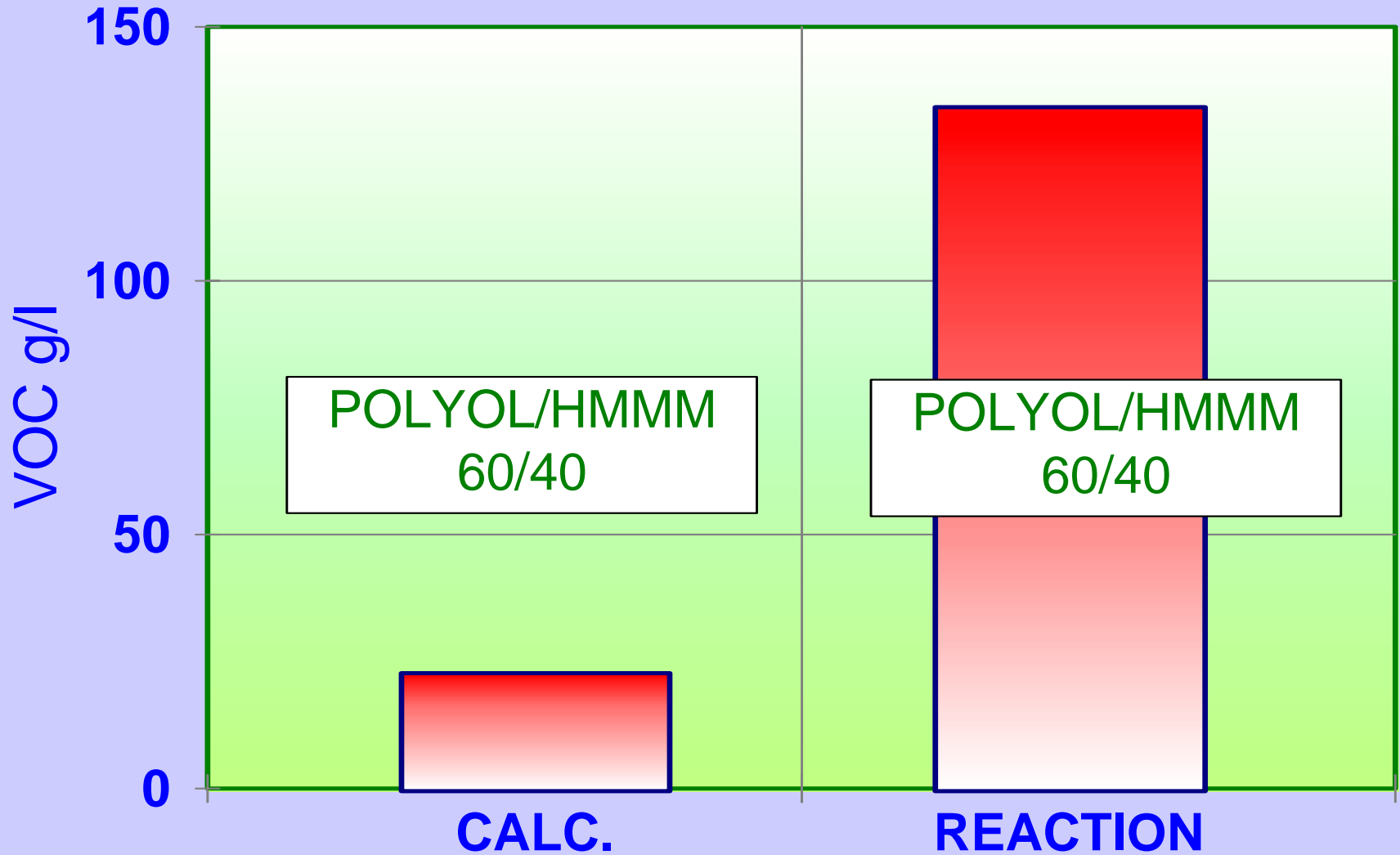


# VOC OF ACRYLIC/HMMM & DILUENT REACTION WEIGHT LOSS



# VOC OF POLYOL/HMMM

## REACTION WEIGHT LOSS



# Ring Opening and Addition Reaction

Epoxy, Glycidyl, Cycloaliphatic,

Oxetane

Uretdione

Carbonate

Azetidine

2-Oxazoline

Carbodiimide

Aziridine

Azlactone

Cyclic urea acyl

Isocyanate

Michael Addition

# REDUCTION OF VOC IN HIGH SOLIDS

## Approach

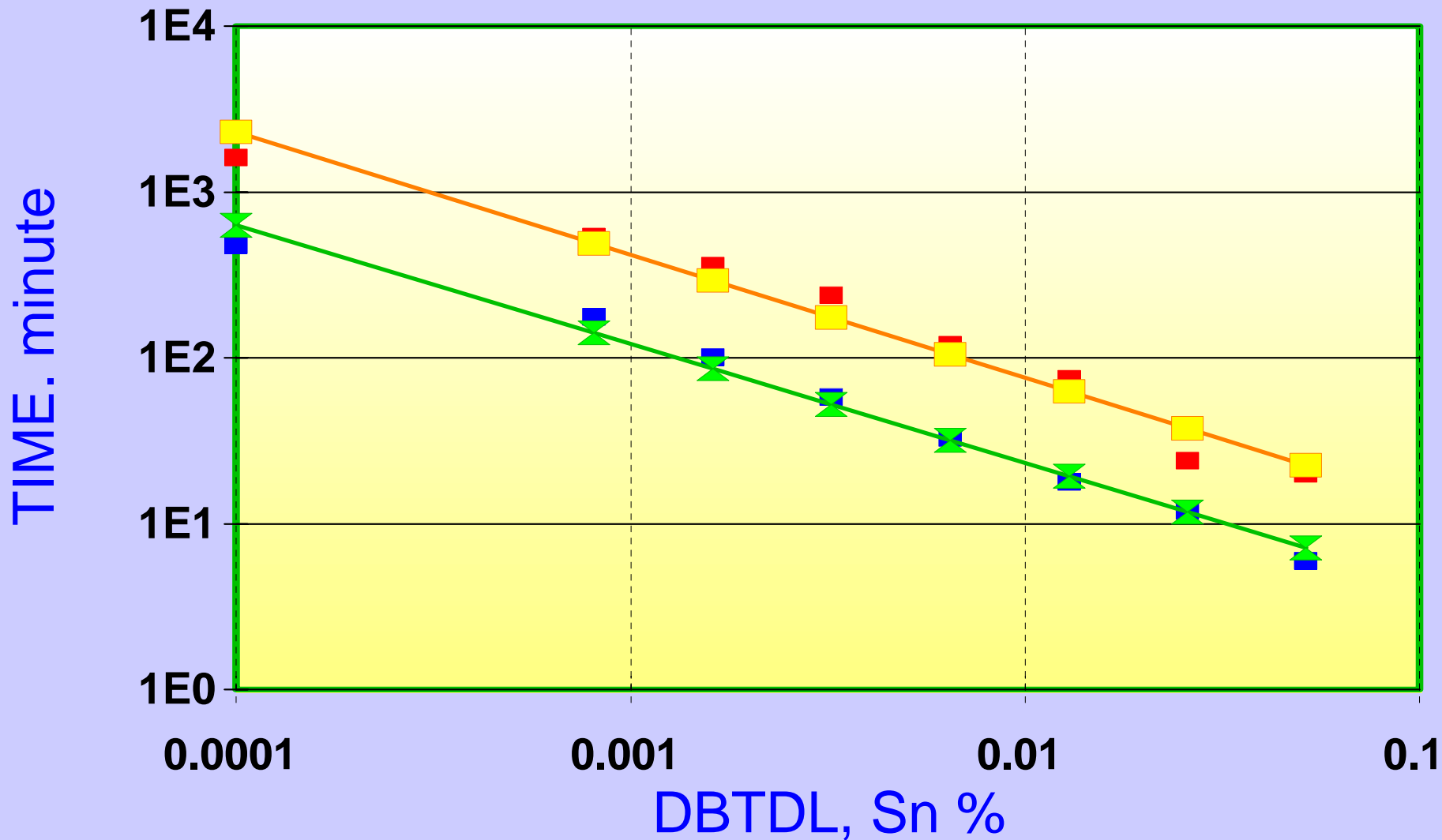
Molecular weight  
Molecular weight  
Functional groups  
Functional groups type  
Crosslinking type  
Crosslinking  
Dispersion of resin  
Water addition

## Details

<500  
Narrow MW distribution  
2-3 per polymer chain  
End groups, H-bond.  
Ring opening  
Hydrogen bonding  
High Tg hetero. phase  
Breaking of H-bonds

# PE/HDI-TRIMER

## CATALYST REACTION RATE



—△— Potlife

—□— TACK FREE

# COATING TECHNOLOGIES

UV/EB COATING

POWDER COATING

HIGH SOLIDS - SOLVENT FREE

LOW MW, X-LINKING, H-BONDING

WATERBORNE

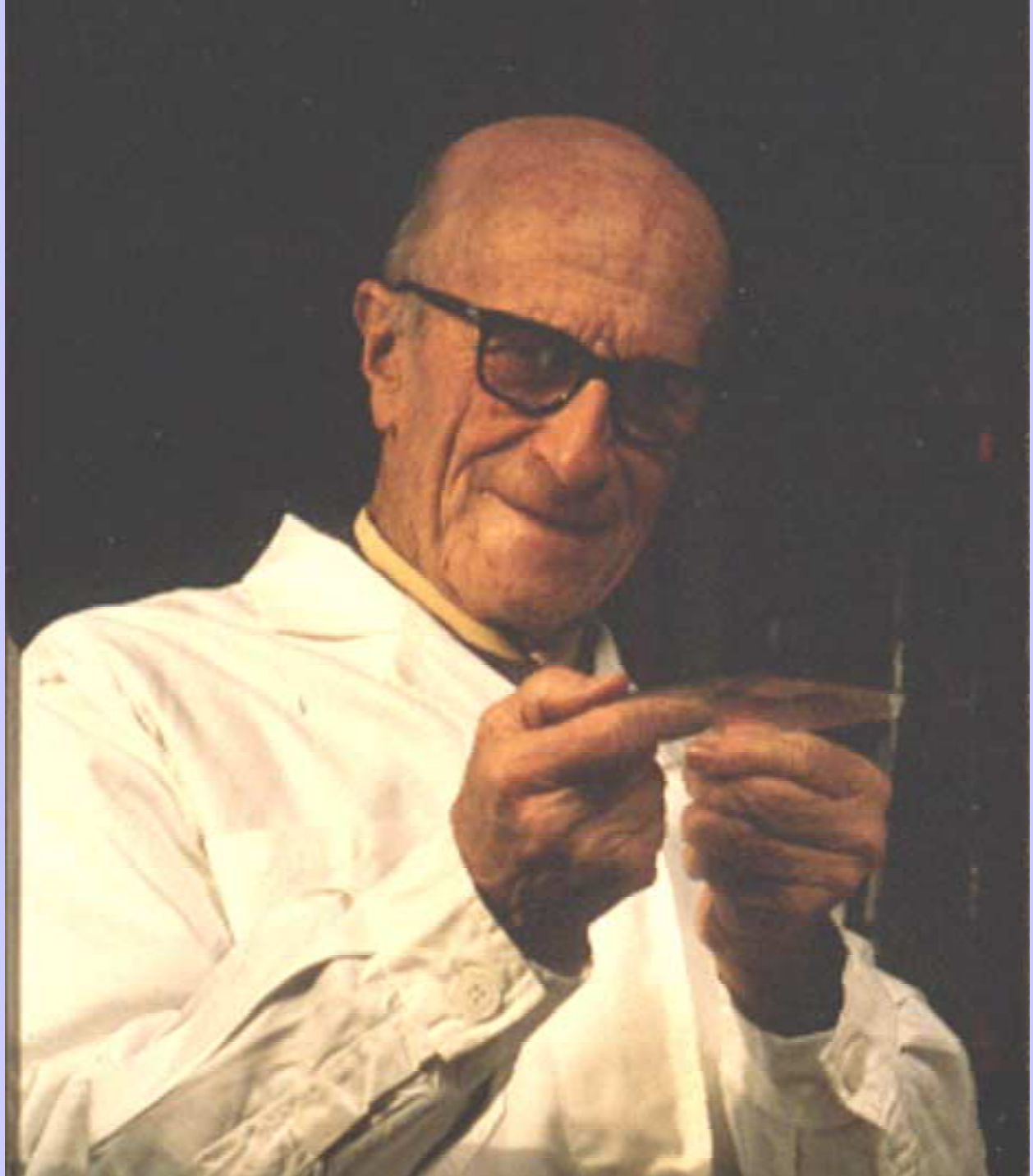
REACTIVE DILUENT, X-LINKING

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