

# Susterra® Propanediol PU Applications



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# Who is DuPont Tate & Lyle?

DTL is a joint venture formed in 2004 between DuPont and Tate & Lyle to produce 1,3 propanediol (PDO) from corn starch, a sustainable & renewable resource



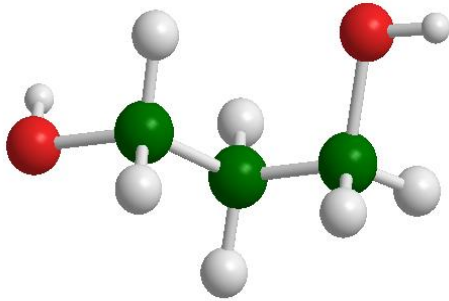
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# Susterra® Propanediol



## What is it?

- A pure, petroleum-free derived glycol
- 100% sustainably and renewably sourced
- Used in a range of applications



## How is it made?

- Made by a fermentation process derived from glucose
- Made in the USA
- USDA 100% Certified Bio-Based Product

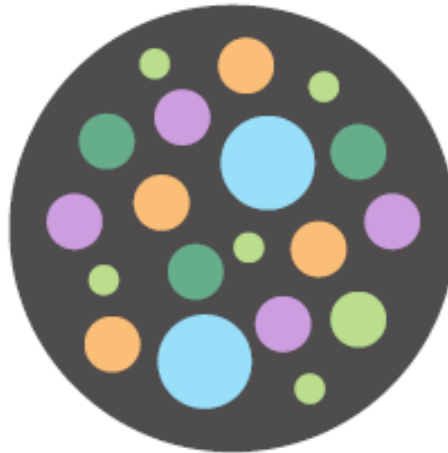
# Process Technology

Renewably sourced feedstocks are harvested, fermented, and refined to manufacture Susterra® propanediol.



## Harvest

Renewably sourced feedstocks are harvested, dried and then wet-milled to create a range of carbohydrate rich feedstocks such as glucose.



## Fermentation

Glucose is converted into 1,3 propanediol using a patented microorganism under exact temperatures and conditions.



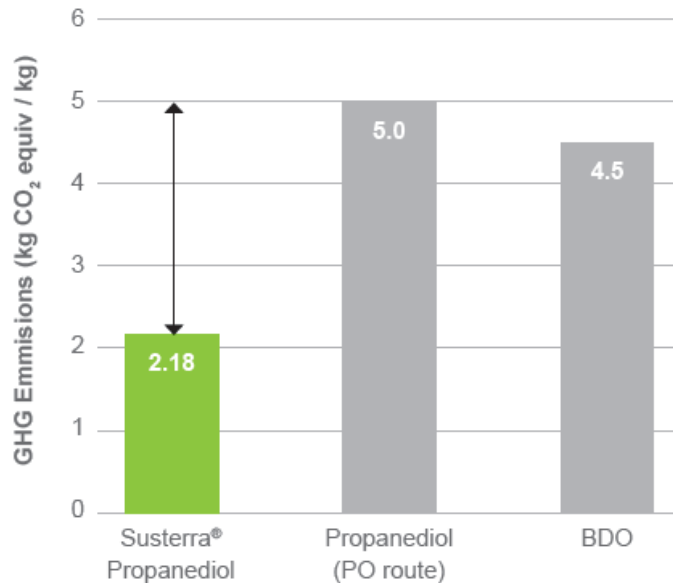
## Refining

The 1,3 propanediol is refined to a final purity of 99.7% by deactivating and removing the microorganism, water, and other byproducts.

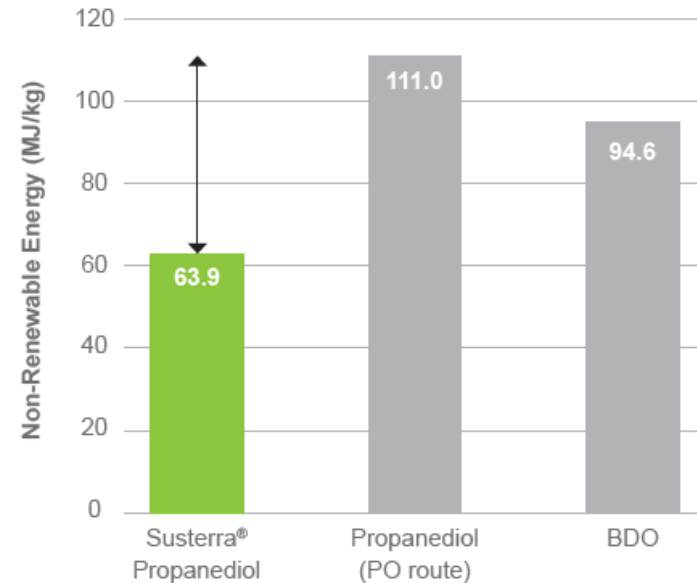
# Life Cycle Analysis

## Susterra® propanediol

From "cradle to gate" (extraction and production prior to delivery to the consumer), Susterra® propanediol produces 56% less greenhouse gas emissions and consumes 42% less nonrenewable energy than propylene oxide-based propanediol. Compared with butanediol (BDO), Susterra® propanediol produces 52% less greenhouse gas emissions and uses 32% less nonrenewable energy from cradle to gate.



**Greenhouse Gas Emissions**  
56% less than Propanediol  
52% less than BDO



**Non-Renewable Energy Use**  
42% less than Propanediol  
32% less than BDO

# Production – Loudon, TN

Biotechnology enables a stable supply of renewably sourced 1,3 propanediol



## Awards

- 2003 EPA Presidential Green Chemistry Award
- 2007 ACS Heroes of Chemistry Award
- 2009 ACS-BIOT Industrial Biotechnology Award
- 2010 State of Tennessee Governor's Award for Trade Excellence

## Production

- Started November 2006
- Capacity expanded 35% in 2010
- Current Capacity = 140 million lb.



# Key Applications

Susterra® propanediol: A high performance, bio-based building block for polyurethane applications



## Footwear

- TPU elastomers
- TPU waterproof breathable films
- PU foams
- Hot melt adhesives
- PU synthetic leather



## Performance Textiles

- TPU waterproof breathable films
- PU synthetic leather (i.e. accessories)



## Furniture and Automotive

- TPU elastomers
- PU foam
- Hot melt adhesives
- PU synthetic leather

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## Elastomers

- Cast parts
- Molded and extruded TPUs
- TPEs



## Coatings

- PUD coatings
- Coatings for electronics, woods, concrete floors
- Synthetic leather skin coats



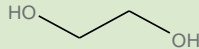
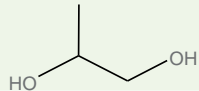
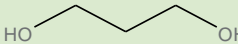
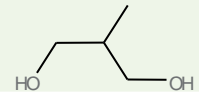
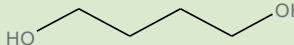
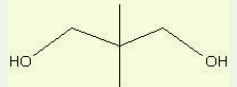
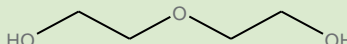
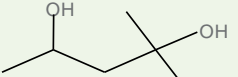
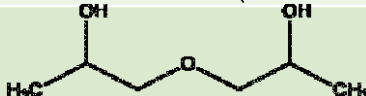
## Adhesives

- Construction
- Textile (i.e. carpet backing)
- Tapes
- Solvent borne



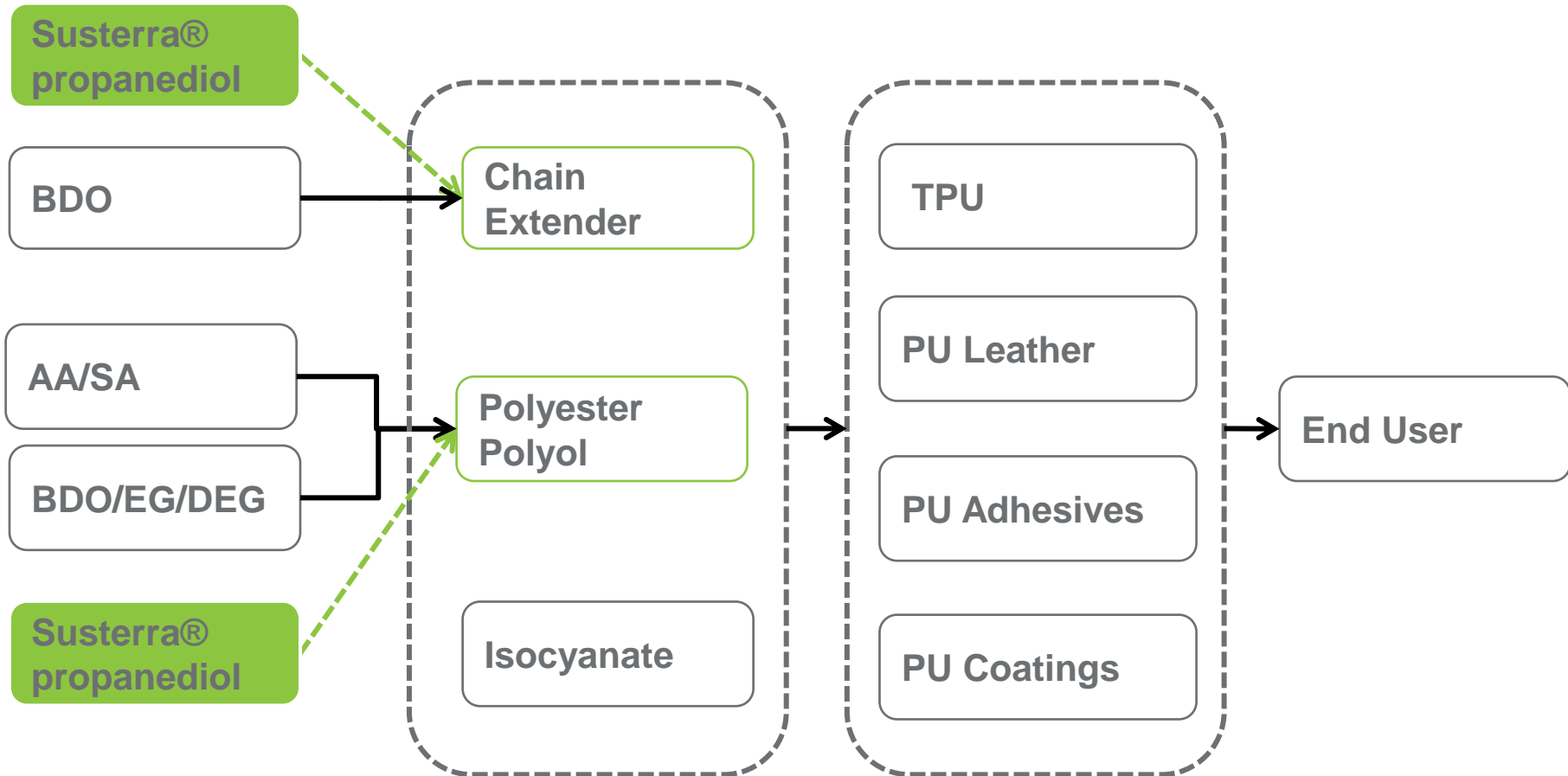
# Susterra® Propanediol

## Diol comparison – chemical structure and property comparison

Common	Ingredient	CAS#	Formula	Structure	MW	BP, °C	MP, °C	Density
Ethylene Glycol	1,2-Ethanediol	107-21-1	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>		62.1	197.6	-12.7	1.116
Propylene Glycol	1,2-Propanediol	57-55-6	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub>		76.1	187.3	-60	1.038
Propanediol	1,3-Propanediol	504-63-2	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub>		76.1	214	-24	1.053
MPDiol	2-Methyl-1,3-Propanediol	2163-42-0	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>2</sub>		90.1	221	-91	1.015
1,4 BDO	1,4-Butanediol	110-63-4	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>2</sub>		90.1	230	16	1.017
Neopentyl Glycol	2,2-Dimethyl-1,3-Propanediol	126-30-7	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>2</sub>		104.1	208	127	~1.05
DEG	Diethylene Glycol	111-46-6	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>3</sub>		106.1	245	-10	1.118
Hexylene Glycol	2-Methyl-2,4-Pentanediol	107-41-5	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>2</sub>		118.2	197	-40	0.925
DPG	Dipropylene Glycol	25265-71-8	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>3</sub>		134.17	231		1.023

# Polyurethane Production

Susterra® propanediol can be used as a chain extender or polyol



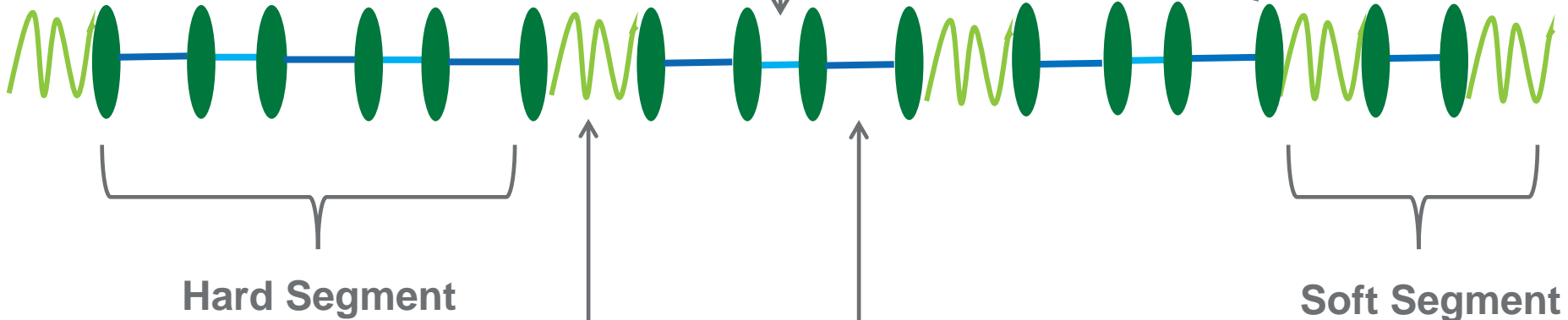
# TPU Polymer Structure

A versatile polymer chemistry

Susterra® propanediol  
Ethylene Glycol  
1,4-Butane Diol  
1,6-Hexane Diol ...

Chain Extender

Urethane Linkages



Hard Segment

Soft Segment

Susterra® PDO adipate  
BDO/HDO adipate  
EG/BDO adipate  
PTMEG  
Polycaprolactone  
Polycarbonate ...

Polyol

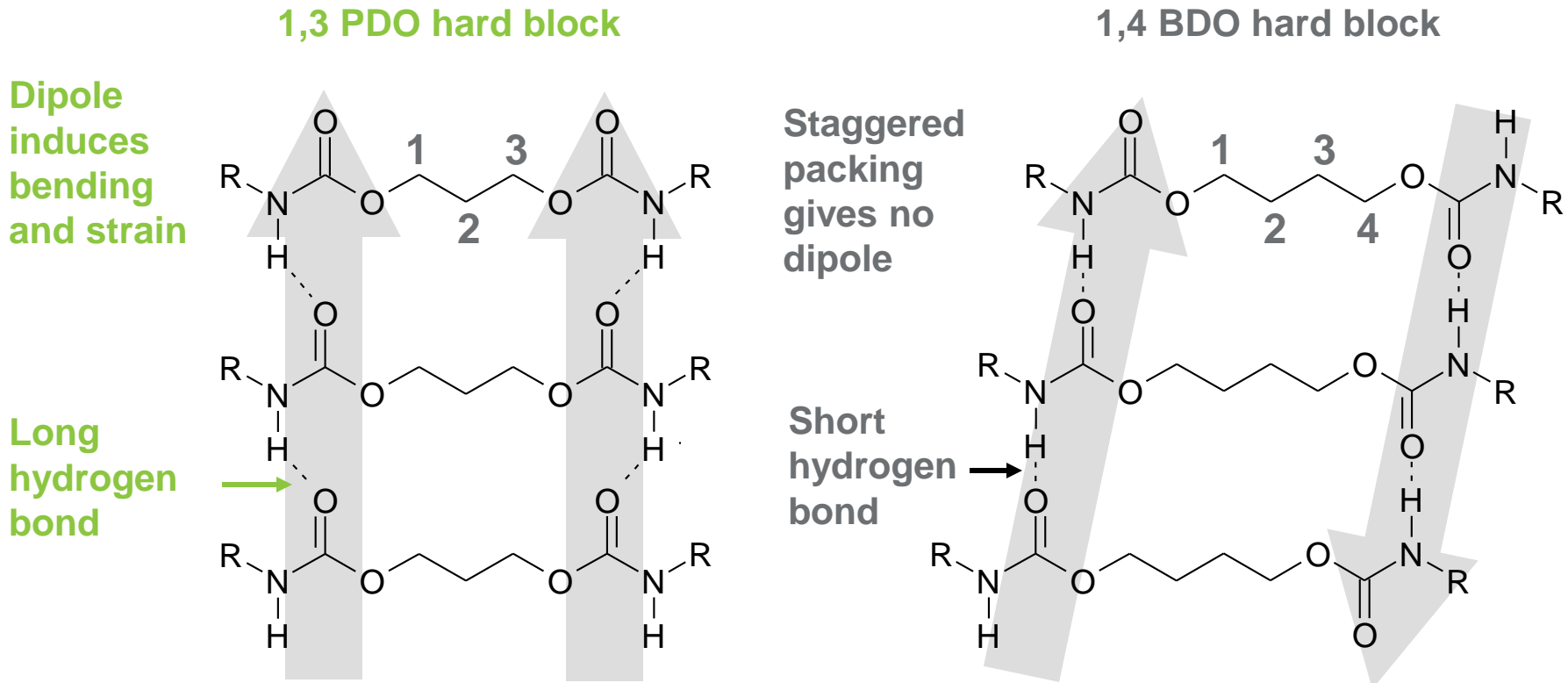
Di-isocyanate

MDI  
TODI  
HDI ...

# Susterra® Propanediol

## Structural Differences and the Odd-Even Effect

The odd even effect varies the packing of the hard block segments, and results in unique mechanical properties of the final product.



# Susterra® Propanediol Chain Extender for TPU

# Susterra® Propanediol

Elastomer physical properties for polyester TPU  
Chain Extender Example with AA/BDO (2000MW) polyol

TPU (One shot)	Unit	BDOAA +PDO	BDOAA +BDO
Hardness	Shore A	95	95
Tensile strength	MPA	43	46
Tear strength	KN/M	115	143
Abrasion	mm <sup>3</sup>	35	36
Elongation	%	394	370
Compression set	70°C/22hr	36	35
Rebound	%	40	35
Compression set	100°C/24hr	43	41
Melt index(200c/5kg)	g/10min	13	2

For TPUs of the same hardness where the hard segment is greater than 50% PDO as a chain extender enhances:

- Transparency
- Rebound
- Flexibility



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Elastomer physical properties for polyester TPU  
Chain Extender Example with AA/BDO/EG polyol

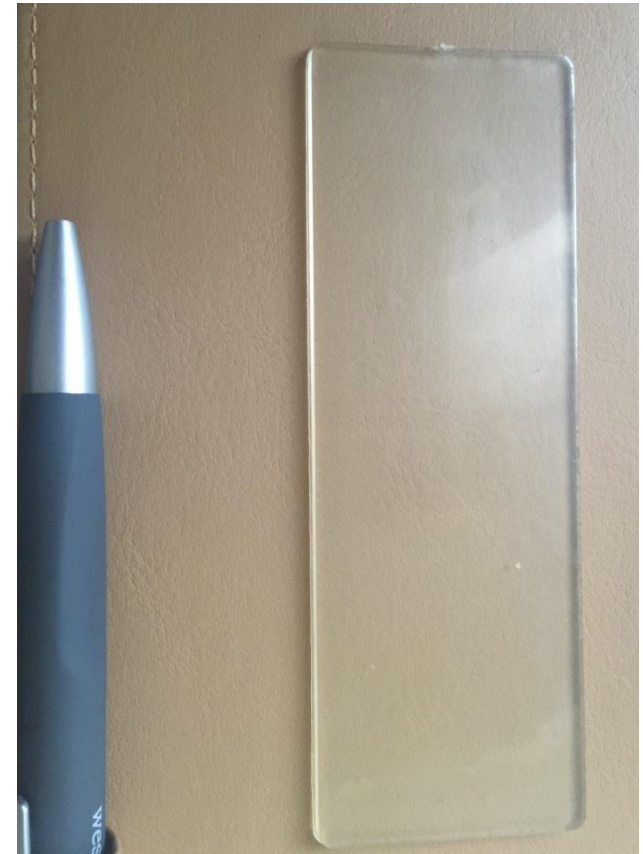
Polyol Chain Extender	AA/BDO/EG BDO	AA/BDO/EG PDO
Yellow Index	5.3	6.0
Hardness, Shore A	67	67
MI g/10min (190°C/5kg)	74	43
Tensile Strength (MPa)	17	20
Elongation at break (%)	770	682
100% Modulus (MPa)	2.4	3.9
200% Modulus (MPa)	5.3	7.3
300% Modulus (MPa)	6.8	9.5
Die C Tear strength (KN/m)	66	68
Compression set, 23°C (%)	45	40
Abrasion resistance (mm <sup>3</sup> )	38	39
Molding time (sec)	30	20
Tg by DSC (°C)	-38	-38
Tm by DSC (°C)	140	177

For TPUs of the same hardness where the hardness is less than 70, PDO enhances flexibility and may shorten molding times.

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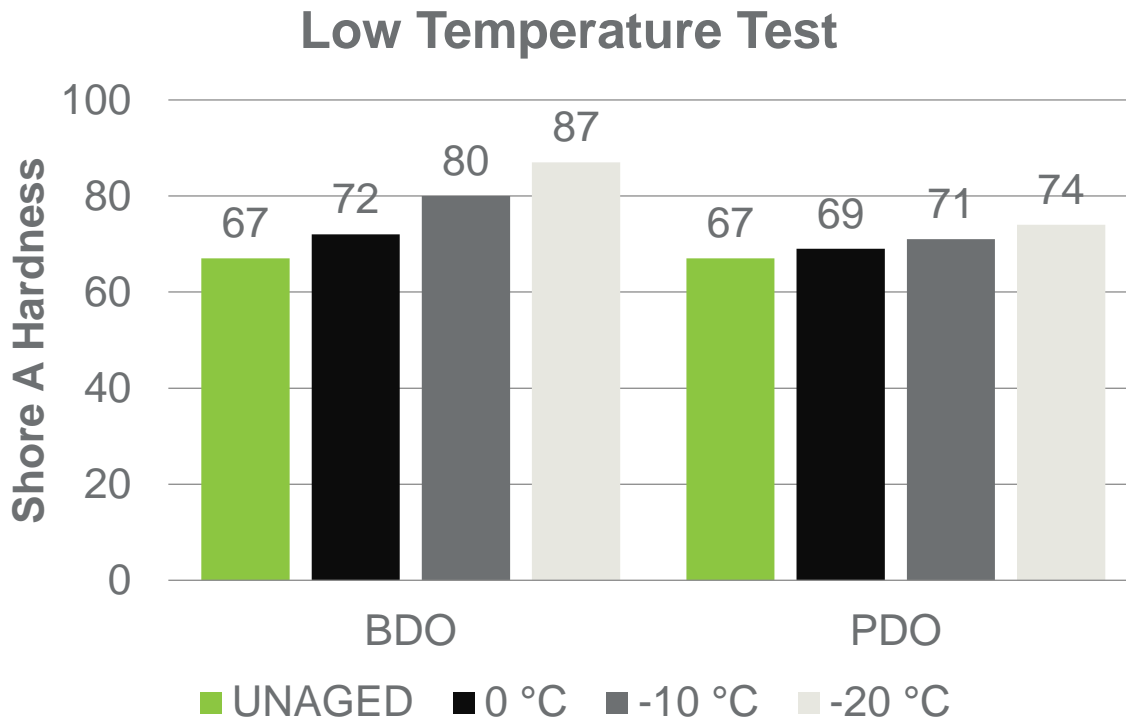
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Processing Comparison  
Dimensions: 120mm(L)  
50mm(W) 4mm(H)

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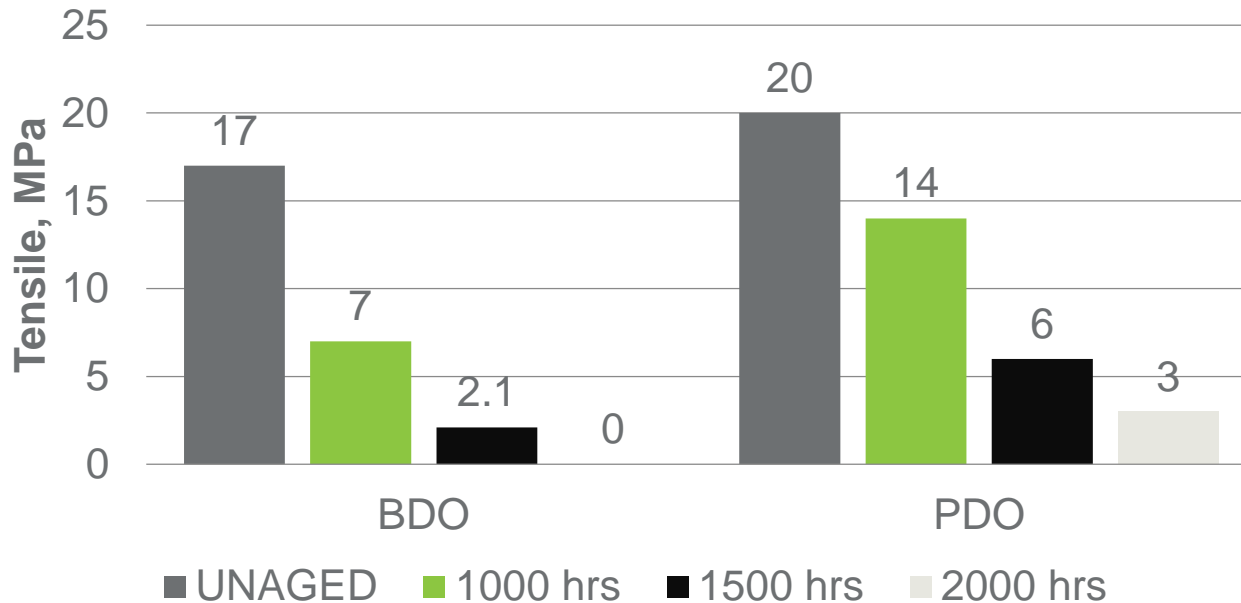


In this example when PDO is used as the chain extender the hardness of the TPU sample remains lower after exposure to low temperatures indicating improved flexibility.

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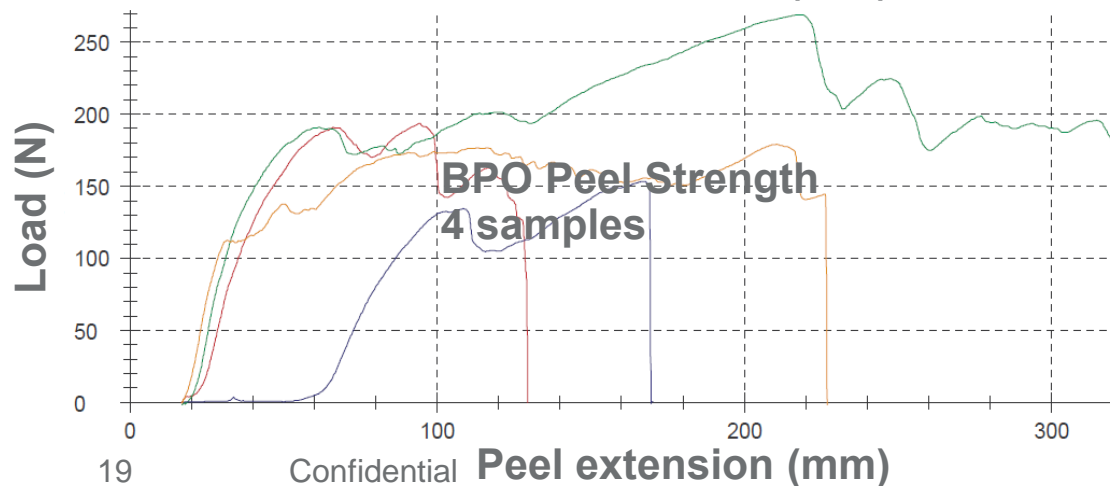
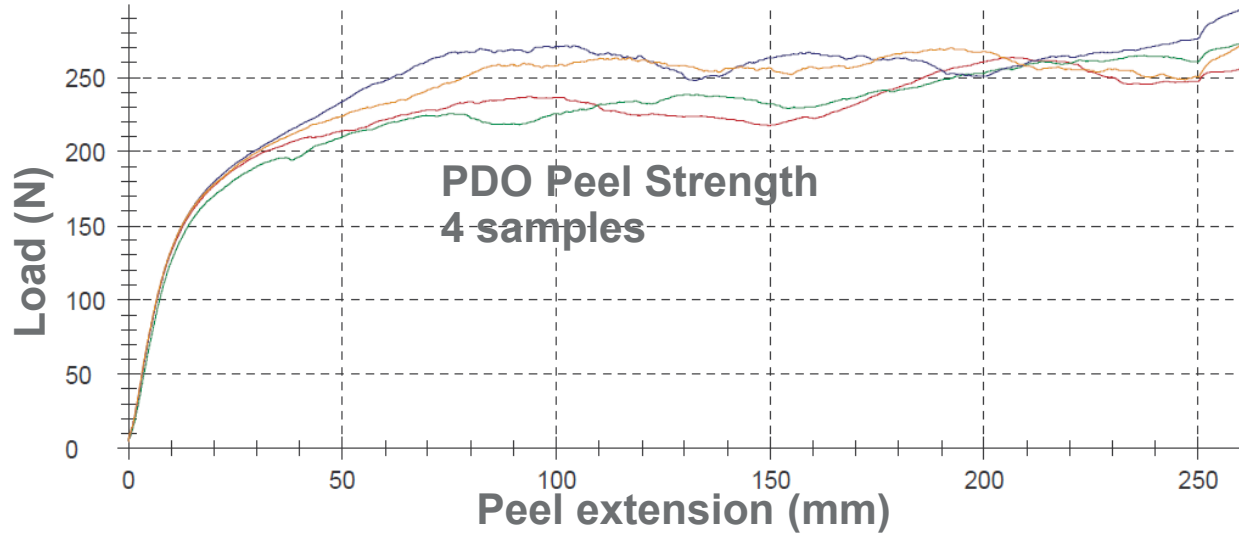
## Hydrolysis Test



In this example when PDO is used as the chain extender the tensile properties of the TPU sample remain higher after exposure to water.

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Elastomer physical properties for polyester TPU  
Chain Extender Example with AA/BDO/EG polyol



As the hardness of the TPU decreases and PDO is used as the chain extender the  $T_m$  increases.

For TPUs of the same hardness the higher  $T_m$  will lead to better adhesion during over molding.

# Susterra® Propandiol Polyol for TPU

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Elastomer physical properties for polyester TPU

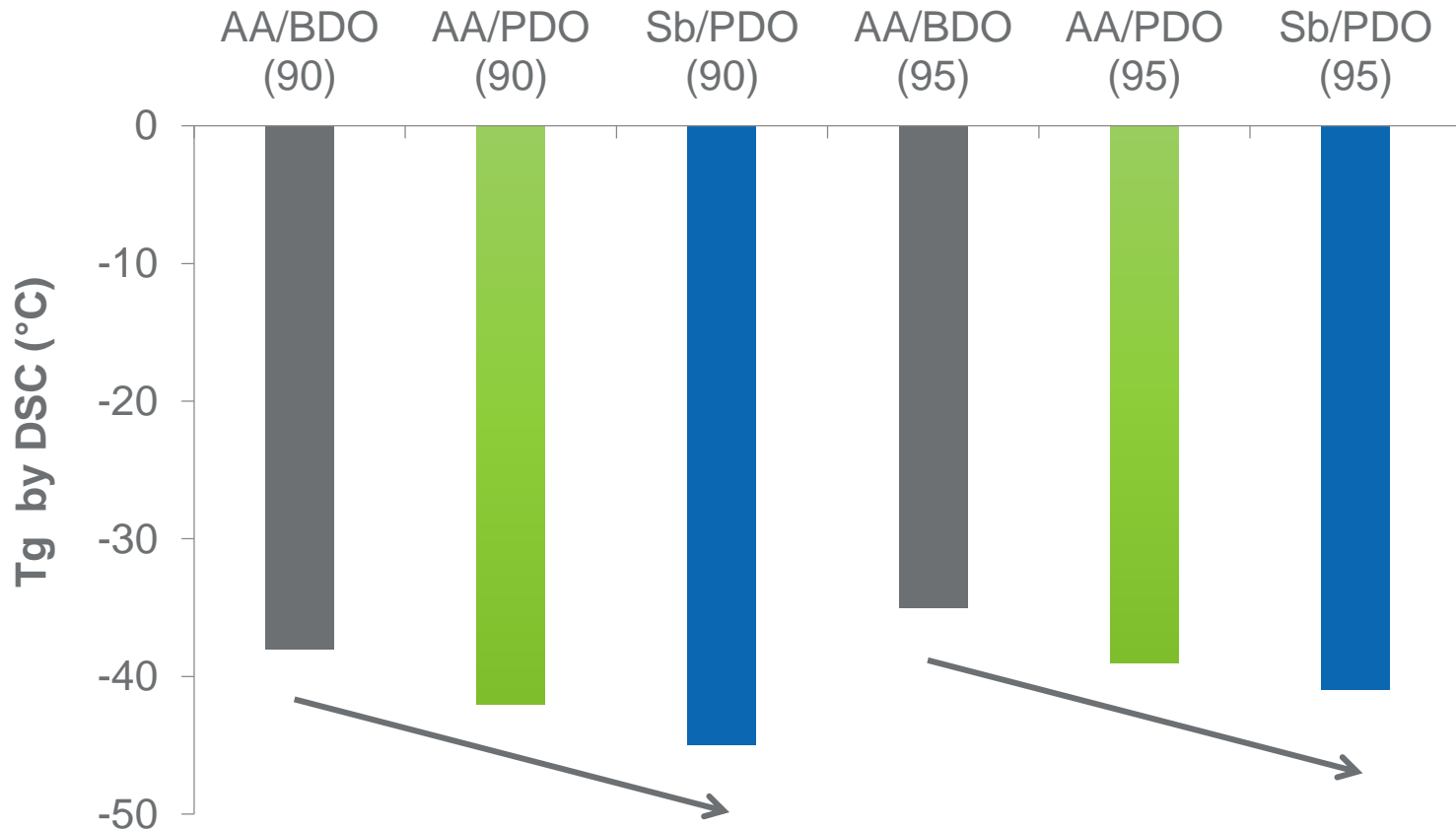
Polyol (2000Mw) Chain Extender	AA/BDO BDO	AA/PDO BDO	Sb/PDO BDO	AA/BDO BDO	AA/PDO BDO	Sb/PDO BDO
Bio content(%)	0	25	50	0	20	45
Hardness, Shore A	90	90	90	95	95	95
Tensile Strength (psi)	4691	4305	5054	4905	4691	5305
Elongation at break (%)	614	678	654	581	646	638
100% Modulus (psi)	949	1139	1068	962	967	1121
200% Modulus (psi)	1372	1516	1383	1504	1378	1596
400% Modulus (psi)	2736	2517	2910	2873	2536	2613
Die C Tear strength (lbf/in)	801	850	838	925	931	950
Compression set, 23°C (%)	25	35	20	20	30	20
Bayshore rebound (%)	43	40	49	40	38	45
Abrasion resistance	25	35	20	20	30	20
Demolding time(sec)	30	40	25	25	35	20
Tg by DSC (°C)	-38	-40	-42	-37	-42	-45

Hardness segment concentration = 40% (90A), 45% (95A) and index is 0.98

# Susterra® Propanediol

## Flexibility at low temperatures

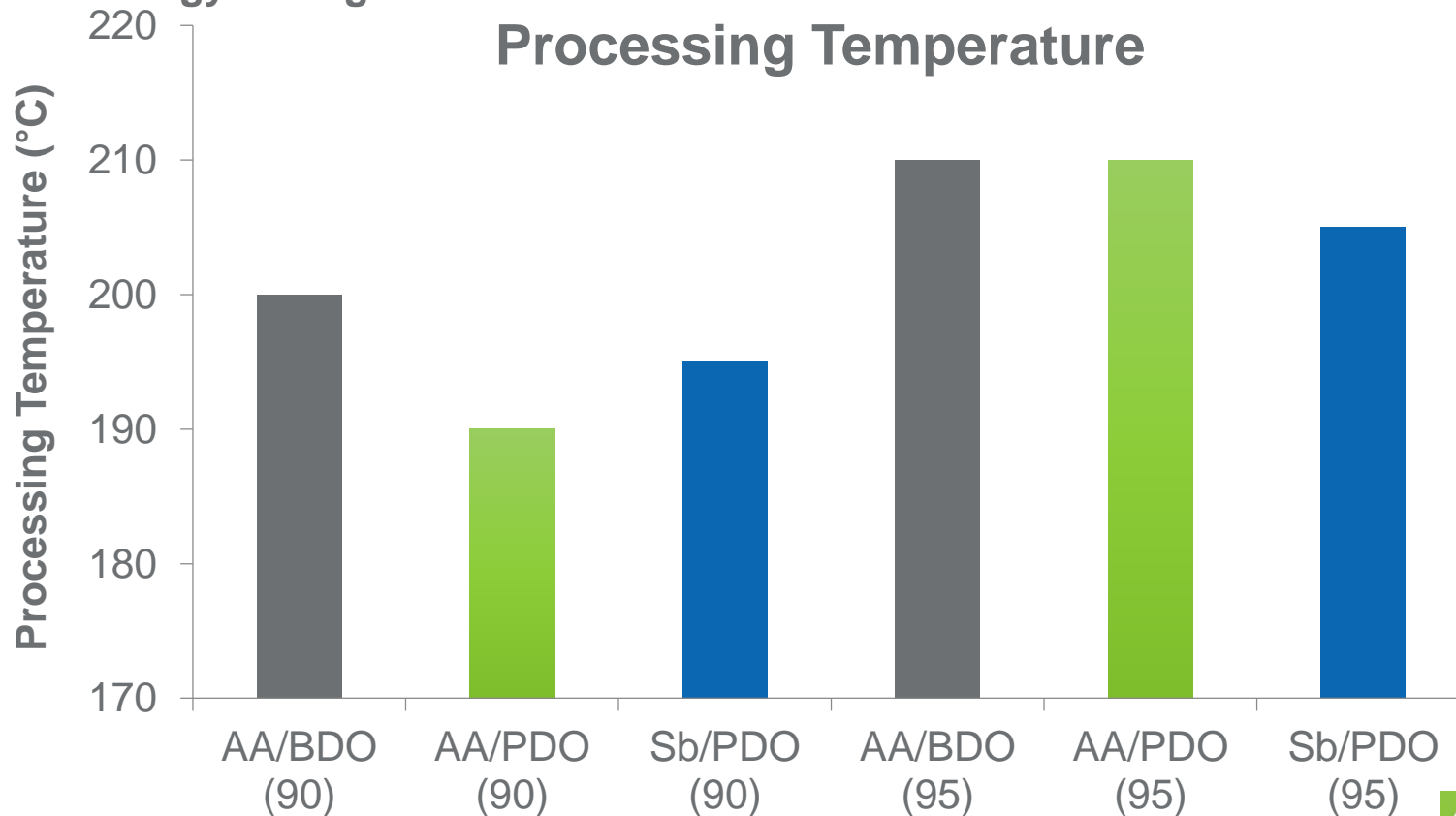
- The glass transition temperature (Tg) of TPUs manufactured with Susterra® propanediol indicates improved flexibility at lower temperatures



# Susterra® Propanediol

## Processing Comparison

- Susterra® propanediol and Sebasic acid TPU samples demonstrated lower processing temperatures which may lead to improved processing and energy savings for TPU manufacturers



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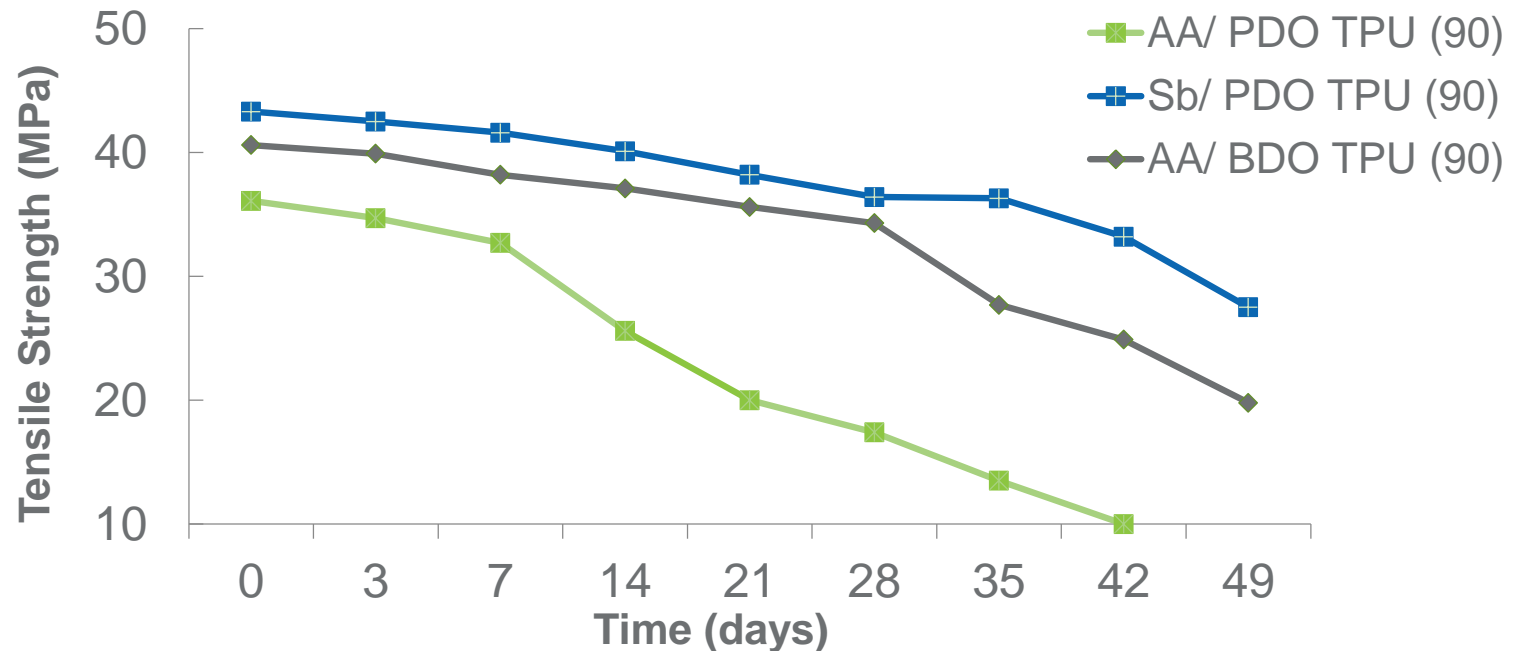
- Susterra® propanediol and Sebasic acid TPU samples demonstrated faster demolding times which may lead to cycle time improvements for TPU manufacturers



# Susterra® Propanediol

## Hydrolysis Comparison

- Susterra® propanediol and Sebasic acid TPU samples showed better hydrolysis results over time compared to BDO and PDO samples combined with Adipic acid



# Susterra® Propanediol

Polyurethanes and Thermoplastic Polyurethanes



**Performance from  
the ground up.**

- Improved flexibility at low temperatures
- Enhanced processing with shorter demolding times
- Excellent adhesion
- Softness and transparency

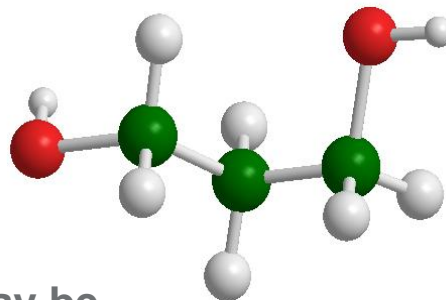
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**PO3G**  
**Polymerizing Susterra®**  
**propanediol for use as a polyol**

# PO3G

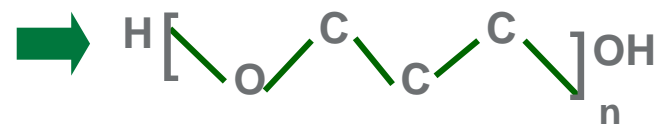
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Susterra® propanediol may be polymerized to form PO3G which may be used as 100% bio-based polyol.

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For more property information on PO3G please contact Allesta or SK Chemicals



Polytrimethylene ether polyol  
(PTMEPOL or PO3G)



# PO3G

## Bio-based PO3G TPU: The customer's requirements and challenges

### Customer's requirements

- **Bio-content.**
- **Mechanical performance**
- **Improved performance**
- **Product appearance**
- **Sustainability**

### The challenges

- **To improve the bio-content.**
- **Keep excellent mechanical performance and discover other advantages.**
- **Competitive pricing**
- **Promote environmental awareness and market demand**

### Bio-based PO3G TPU Advantages:

- Excellent mechanical properties  
(Tensile Strength >35MPa)
- Excellent abrasion (Abrasion < 40mm<sup>3</sup>)
- Low temperature flexibility (T<sub>g</sub> < -30°C)
- Bio-content (0-60%)

**Mechanical and processing properties** can be comparable with petroleum-based TPUs such as PTMEG

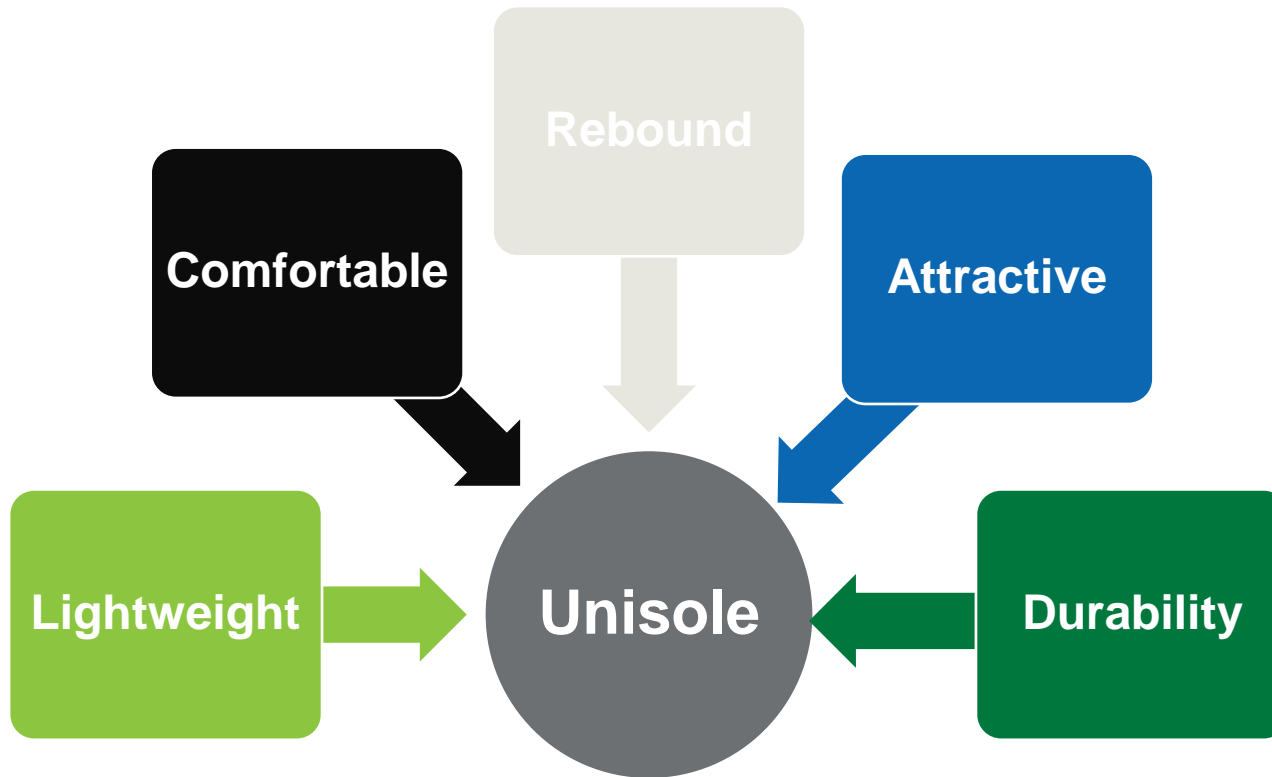
# PO3G

## Elastomer physical properties for PO3G polyether TPU

Polyol Chain Extender	PTMEG BDO	PO3G BDO	PTMEG BDO	PO3G BDO	PTMEG BDO	PO3G BDO
Bio content(%)	0	60	0	50	0	45
Hardness, Shore A	75	75	85	85	95	95
Tensile Strength (psi)	4126	4054	4554	4305	5391	5305
Elongation at break (%)	689	737	654	681	514	578
100% Modulus (psi)	320	387	1168	962	1449	1339
200% Modulus (psi)	648	621	1583	1475	1972	1816
400% Modulus (psi)	1327	1071	2610	2573	2836	2833
Die C Tear strength (lbf/in)	380	457	638	675	501	550
Compression set, 23°C (%)	30	35	30	32	25	30
Bayshore rebound (%)	55	58	49	53	35	38
Abrasion resistance	52	55	45	48	33	35
Demolding time	120	90	60	45	35	30
Ross flex(cycle/-20°C)	65000	70000	60000	65000	50000	55000
Tg by DSC (°C)	-45	-51	-40	-47	-38	-40

# PO3G

Polyether TPUs manufactured with PO3G may offer excellent characteristics to the end user.



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Polyether TPUs manufactured with PO3G may offer excellent characteristics to the end user.

- Unisole combines midsole and outsole, thus requiring both good mechanical strength and softness/rebound resilience as well as low compression set
- When using conventional low VA EVA, the prepared foam with higher density ( $> 0.2\text{g/cm}^3$ ) cannot provide good softness, resilience and compression set, while the foam of low density ( $<0.2\text{ g/cm}^3$ ) cannot maintain sufficient mechanical strength

TPUs manufactured with PO3G based on Susterra® propanediol strike an excellent balance between mechanical strength and softness/resilience/CS at an ideal density ( $0.2\sim0.25\text{ g/cm}^3$ )





# PO3G

## Foam properties of unisoles manufactured with PO3G polyether TPUs

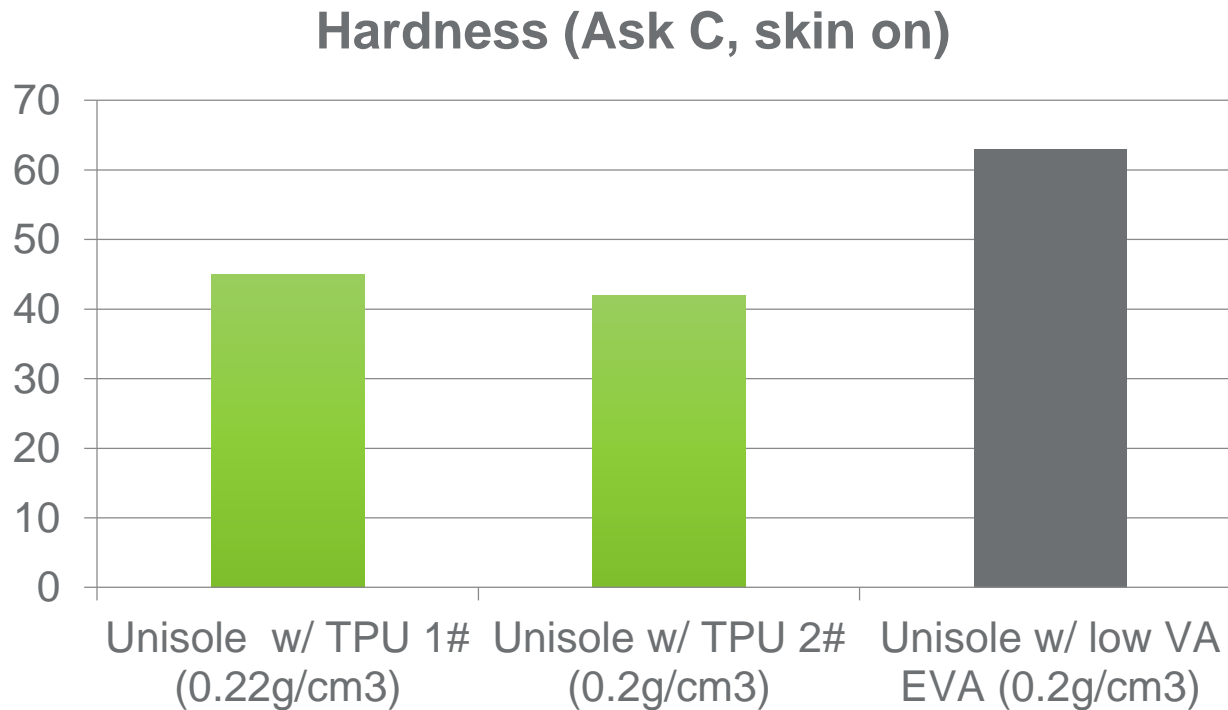
Samples	Unisole w/ TPU 1# (0.22g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Unisole w/ TPU 2# (0.2g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Test method
Specific Gravity (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.22	0.2	ASTM 3574
Hardness (Asker °C)	45	42	
Compression set (%)	35	40	ASTM 3574
Resilience (%)	63	61	ASTM 3574
Tensile (kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	28.4	26.1	ASTM D412, Die C
Elongation (%)	463	401	ASTM D412, Die C
Split Tear (180°, kg/cm)	3.5	3.2	ASTM 3574

The TPUs foams manufactured with PO3G based on Susterra® propanediol preserve good mechanical strength

Note: It is recommended that anti-abrasion agents (e.g., organosilicone compound) should be used for the purpose of attributing abrasion resistance to unisole

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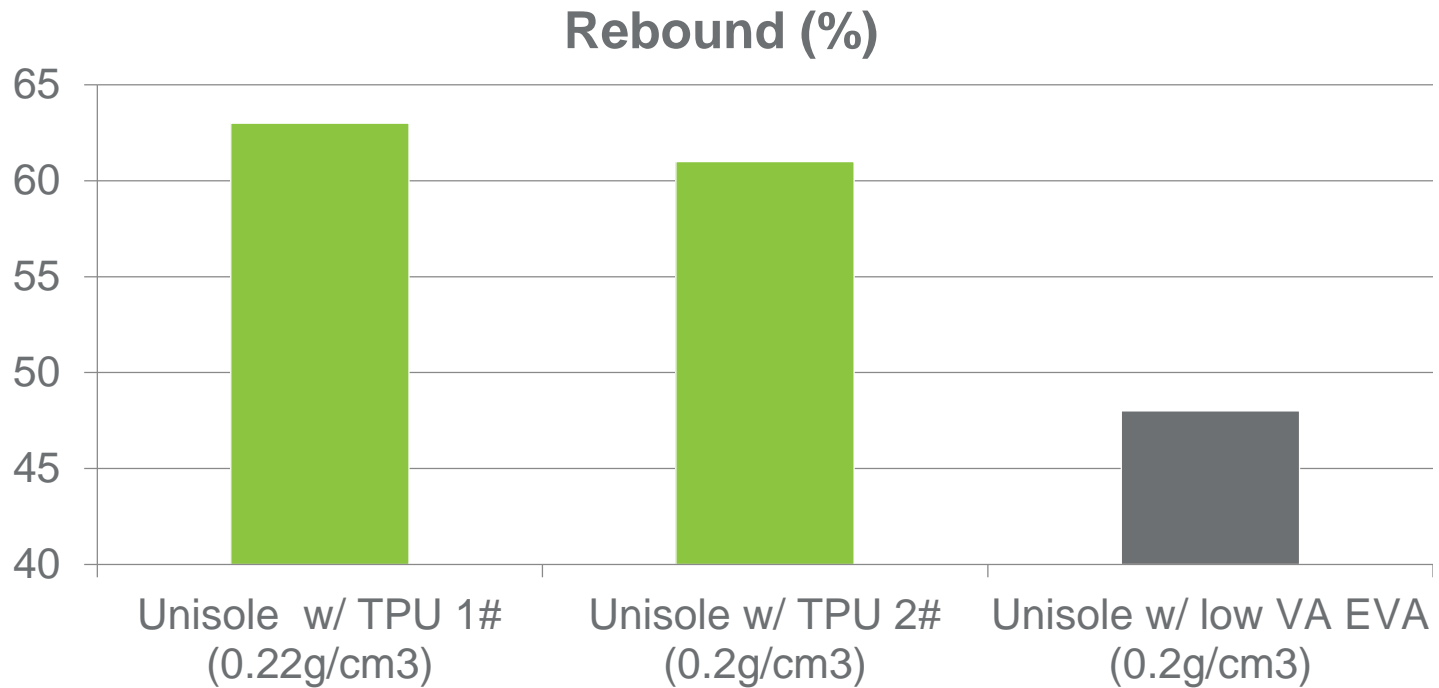
Foam properties of unisoles manufactured with PO3G polyether TPUs



**TPUs manufactured with PO3G based on Susterra® propanediol are softer compared to low VA EVA foams with the same or lower density.**

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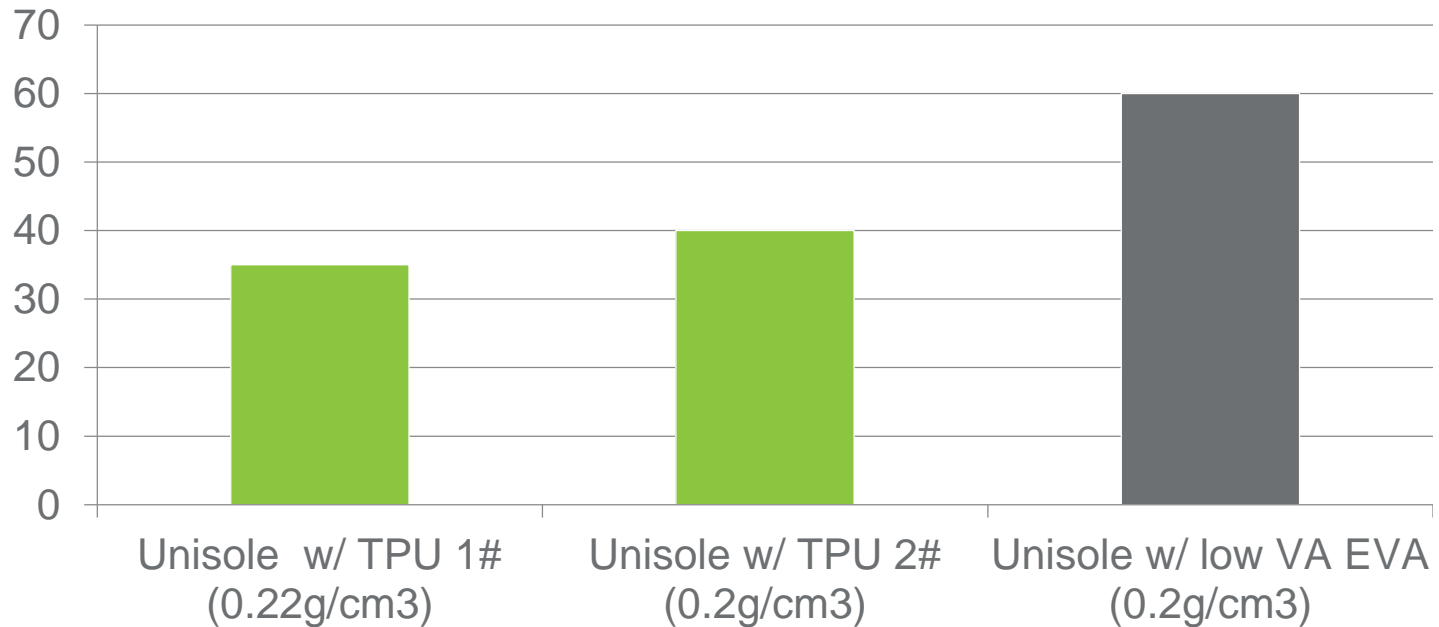


**TPUs manufactured with PO3G based on Susterra® propanediol provide excellent melt strength which may ensure a finer and more stable cell structure which can lead to higher resilience.**

# PO3G

Foam properties of unisoles manufactured with PO3G polyether TPUs

## Compression Set (%)



**The foams containing TPUs manufactured with PO3G based on Susterra® propanediol have finer and more stable cell structures leading to lower compression set**

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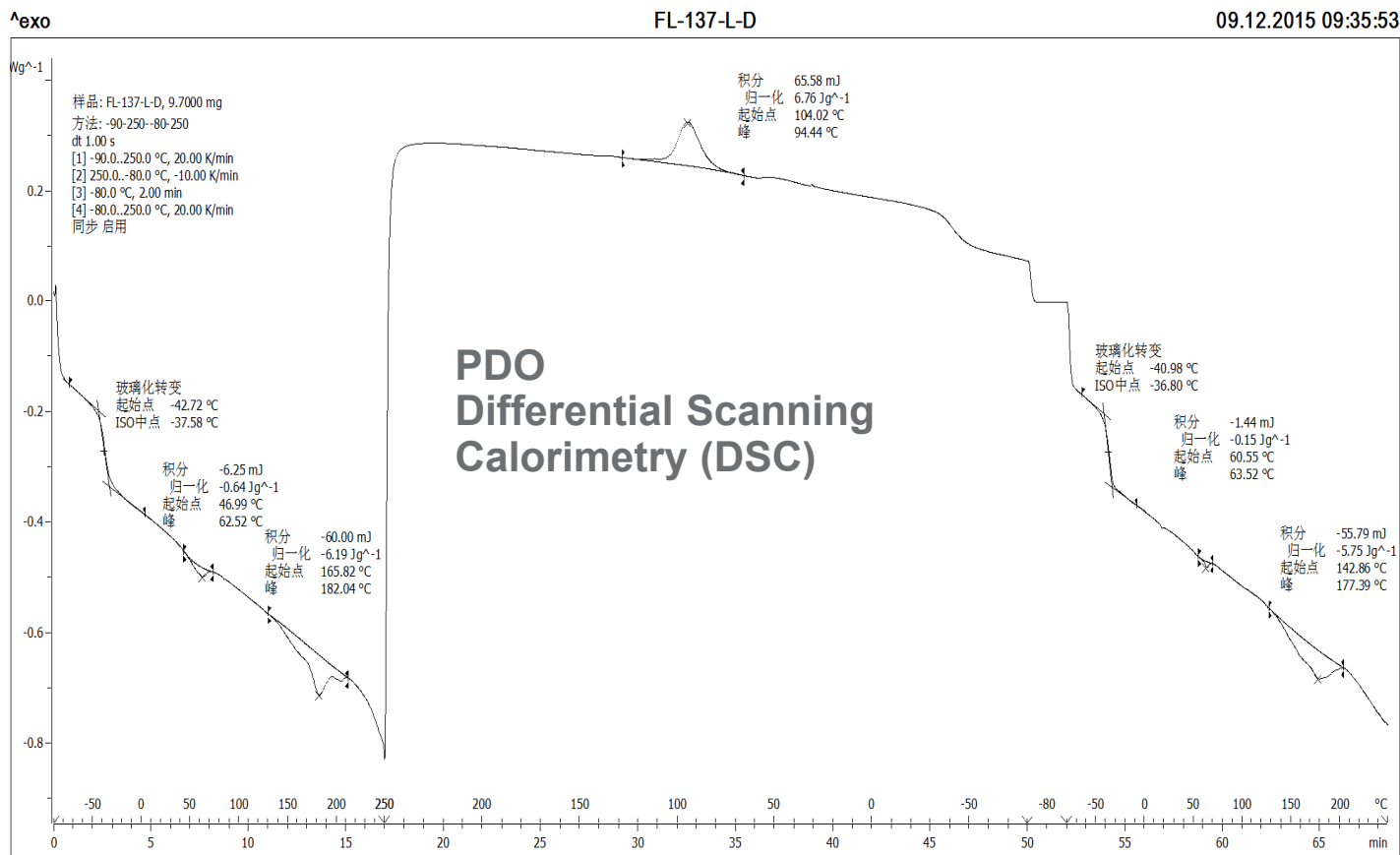
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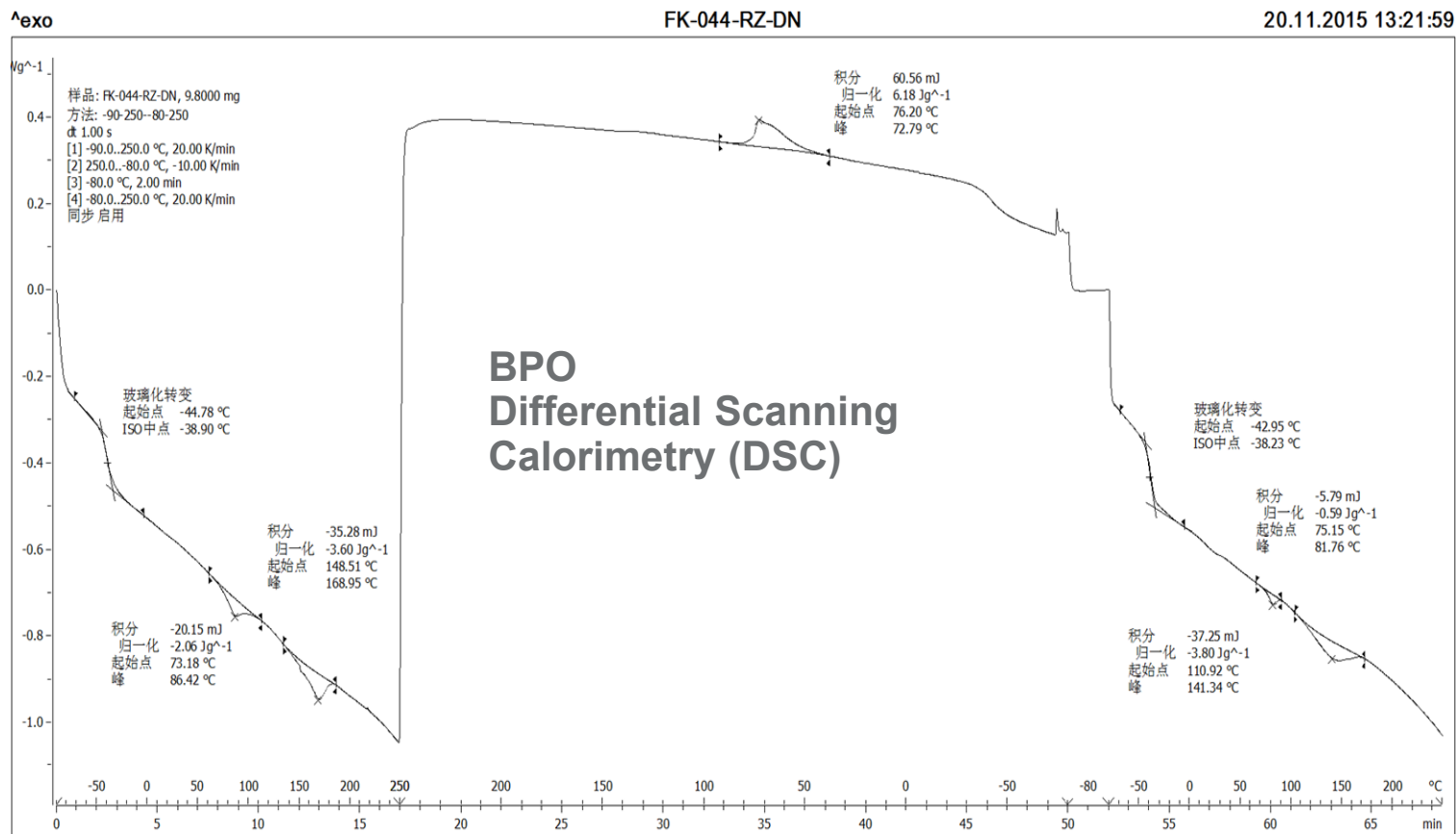
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