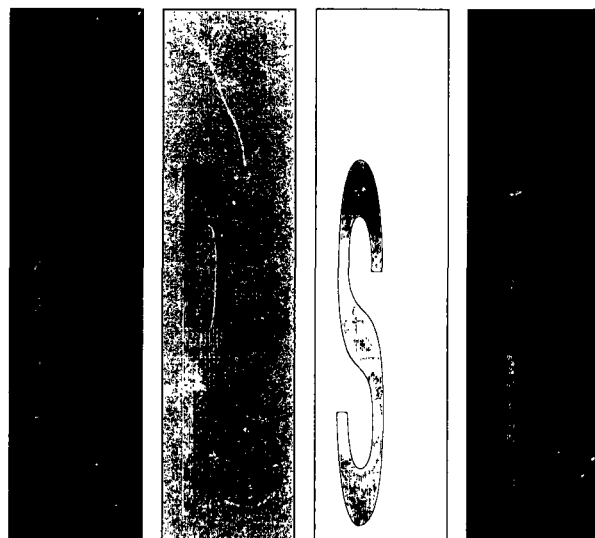




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## **PULPING STUDIES**

### ***Project 3661 (DOE FUNDED)***

#### ***SULFUR-FREE SELECTIVE PULPING PROCESS***

***Start: 9/1/88***

***End: Indefinite***

***Dimmel***

***\$207,700***

### ***Project 3477***

#### ***DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ANALYTICAL METHODS***

***Start: 7/1/90***

***End: 6/31/91***

***Banerjee***

***\$15,000***

## **PRODUCT UTILIZATION STUDIES**

### ***Project 3524***

#### ***FUNDAMENTALS OF BRIGHTNESS STABILITY***

***Start: 10/1/90***

***End: Indefinite***

***Ragauskas***

***\$150,000***

## **BLEACHING STUDIES**

### *Project 3475*

#### **FUNDAMENTALS OF SELECTIVITY IN PULPING AND BLEACHING**

**Start:** *Fall, 1977*

**End:** *6/91*

*Dimmel      \$120,000*

### *Project 3684 (API/NCASI FUNDED)*

#### **MECHANISMS OF DIOXIN FORMATION IN PULP PRODUCTION PART I: PRECURSOR FORMATION AND REACTIVITY**

**Start:** *9/89*

**End:** *6/91*

*Sonnenberg      \$89,000*

### *Project 3685 (CHLORINE INSTITUTE FUNDED)*

#### **MECHANISMS OF DIOXIN FORMATION IN PULP PRODUCTION PART II: CHLORINATION AND DIOXIN REACTIONS**

**Start:** *7/1/90*

**End:** *6/31/91*

*Dimmel      \$180,000*

## **NEW PROJECT**

#### **FUNDAMENTALS OF BLEACHING CHEMISTRY**

**Dimmel, Sonnenberg, Ragauskas**

**Start:** *July, 1991*  
**End:** *Indefinitely*

*Project 3474*

**ENVIRONMENTALLY COMPATIBLE PRODUCTION OF  
BLEACHED PULP**

*Start: 1979*

*End: Indefinite      McDonough/Reed      \$250,000*

*Project 3699*

**EVALUATION OF COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE  
CONDUCTIVITY SENSORS**

*Start: 5/90*

*End: 12/91      Courchene      \$55,000*

*Project 3716 (CKPG)*

**ESTIMATING YIELD FOR THE PREDICTION OF  
END-USE PROPERTIES IN SEMICHEMICAL PULPING**

*Start: 9/4/90*

*End: Indefinite      McDonough/Woitekovich      \$75,000*



*Project 3661*  
*(DOE FUNDED)*

***SULFUR-FREE SELECTIVE  
PULPING PROCESS***

## **OIT Sulfur-Free Selective Pulping Process**

**A joint project between the Institute of Paper Science and Technology  
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Project Manager**

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and subcontract No. XX-8-18169-1**

## **Advantages of Lignin as a Raw Material**

**Lignin is inexpensive (\$0.03-\$0.04/lb).**

**Lignin is readily available.**

**Lignin contains structural units necessary for anthraquinone preparation.**

**Lignin easily undergoes the reactions proposed for anthraquinone synthesis.**

**Lignin is an abundant, renewable resource.**

## Process for Anthraquinone Synthesis

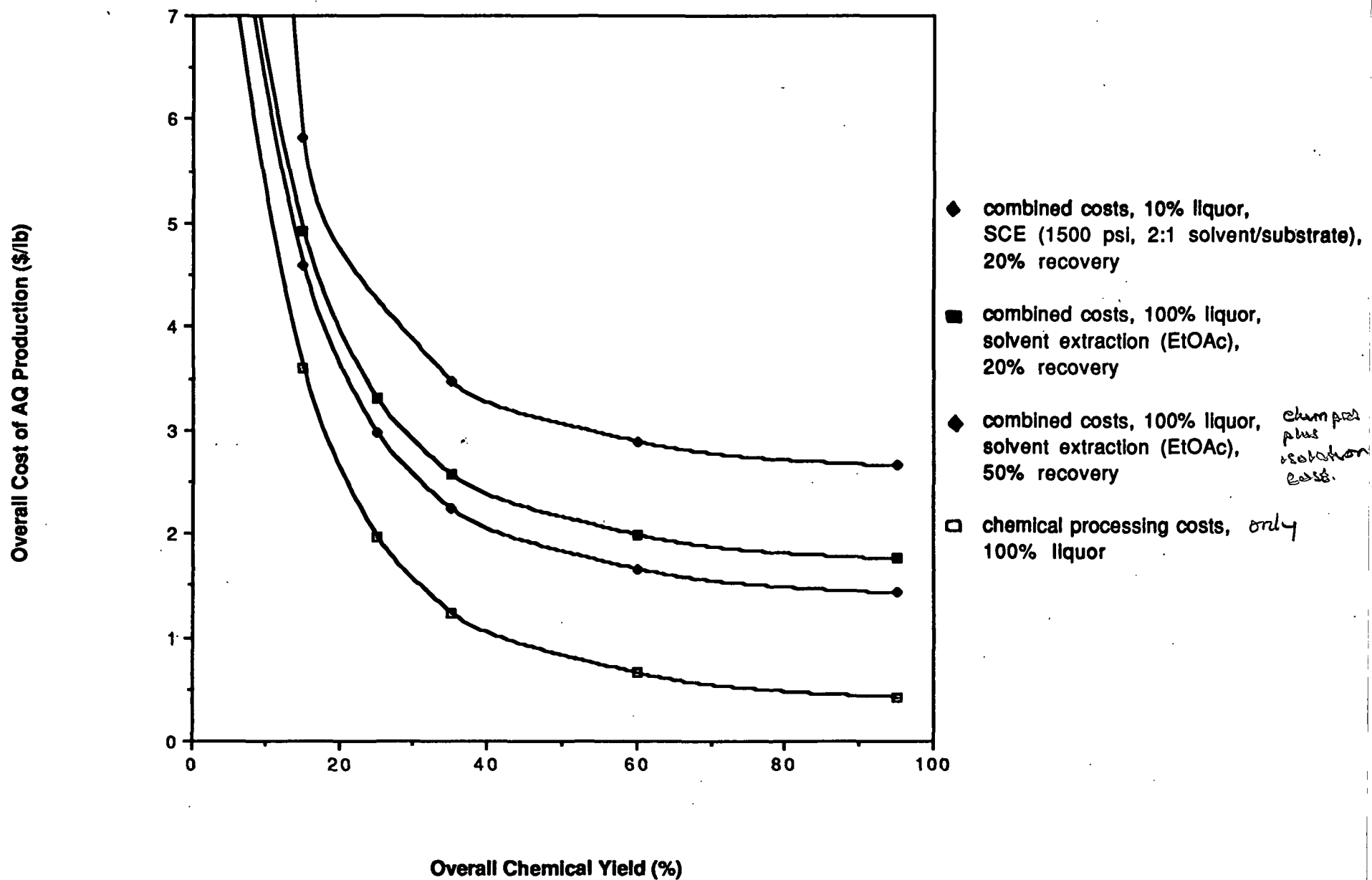
### **Stage 1: Lignin Processing**

whole lignin  $\xrightarrow{\text{separation}}$  low molecular weight lignin

### **Stage 2: Chemical Processing**

1. low molecular weight lignin  $\xrightarrow{\text{oxidation}}$  oxidation products (benzoquinones)
2. oxidation products (benzoquinones)  $\xrightarrow{\text{diene}}$  anthraquinone precursor
3. anthraquinone precursor  $\xrightarrow{\text{hydrogen removal}}$  anthraquinone

# Projected AQ Amortized Production Costs



## Economics of Competitive Routes

### 1. Anthracene oxidation

"high costs"; no longer used in U. S.

### 2. Benzene/phthalic anhydride

about \$2.50-plus/lb; waste disposal problems

### 3. Phthalic anhydride

about \$2.50-plus/lb; new process, but operation appears expensive

### 4. Naphthalene oxidation/butadiene addition

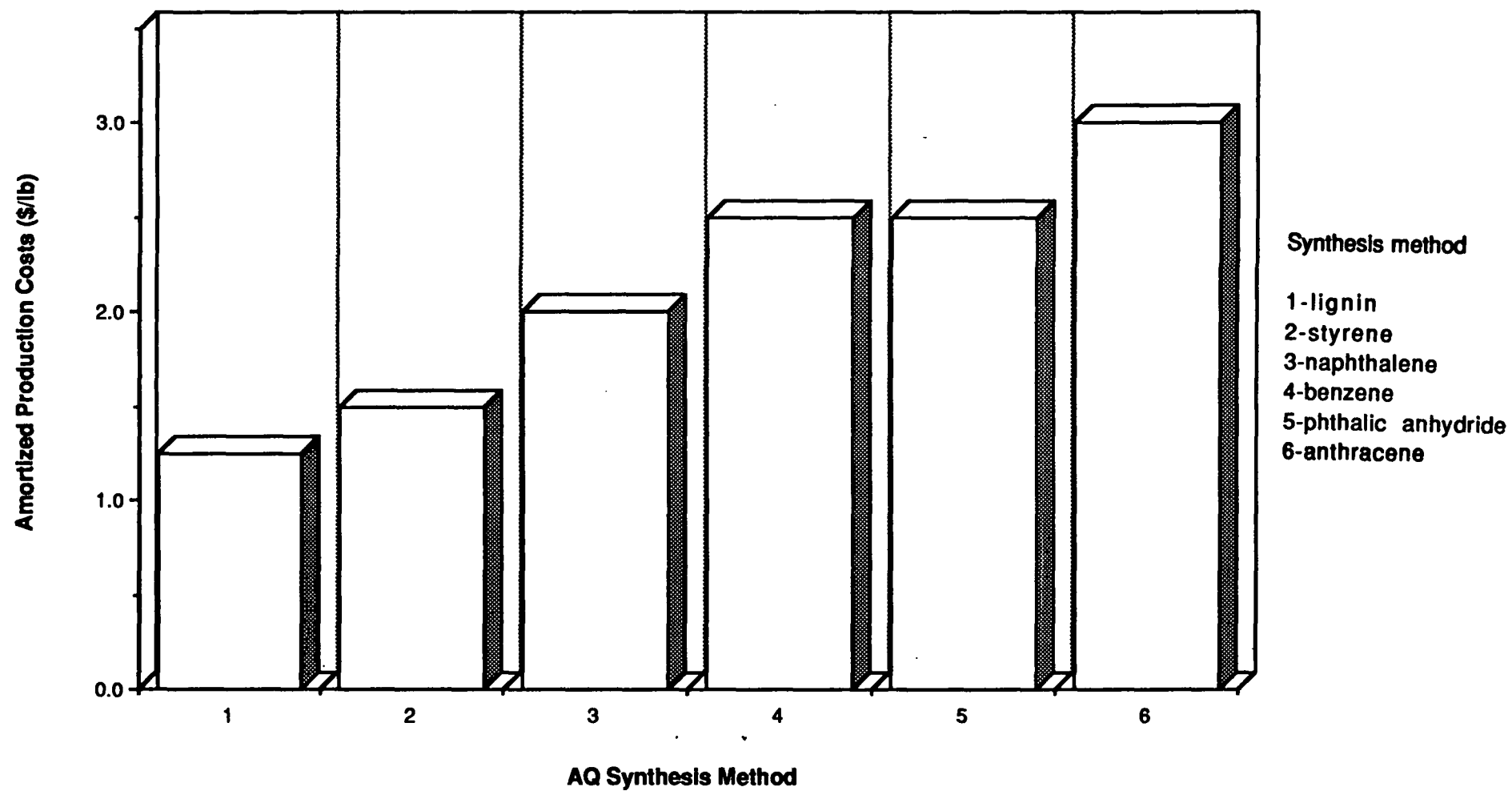
\$2.00/lb range; one attempted commercial application-abandoned due to technical difficulties. *one Japanese installation*

### 5. Styrene (BASF) route

\$1.50/lb on 100 M lb/yr. One attempt at commercialization but later abandoned

**Compare lignin based route at \$1.25-\$1.75/lb!**

**Comparison of Production Costs of AQ**



**Amortized Production Costs of AQ Based on Starting Material**

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# Lignin Processing: Results

## Stage 1: Lignin Processing

whole lignin  $\xrightarrow{\text{separation}}$  low molecular weight lignin (mw<1000)

### Methods:

#### 1. Supercritical fluid extraction.

**Results:** Relatively low yield of low mw lignin, good yield of products after chemical processing.

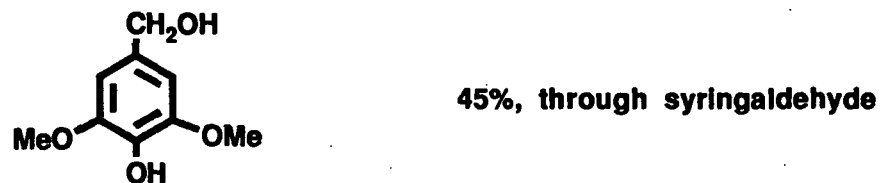
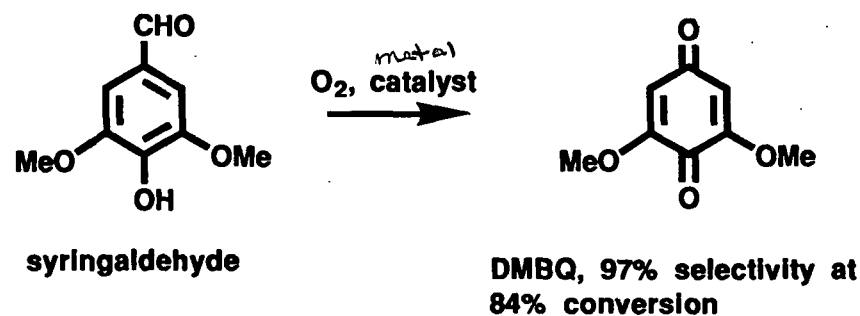
#### 2. Solvent extraction of organosolv lignins.

**Results:** Good yield of low mw lignin, lower yield of products after chemical processing.

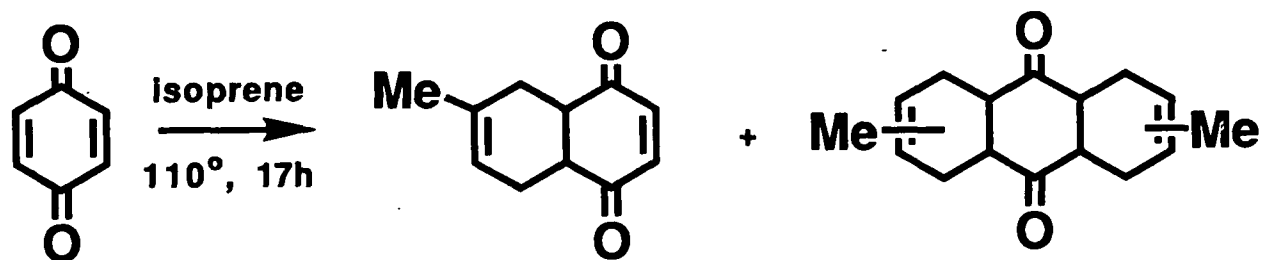
*but sub reaction not as good as (1)*

*low mw ~ low mol. wt.*

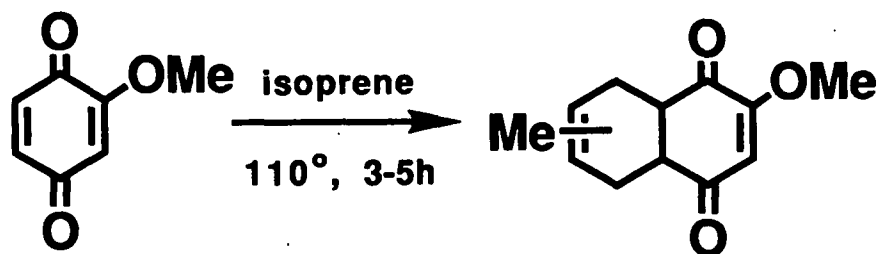
## Metal Catalyzed Oxidation of Lignin Models



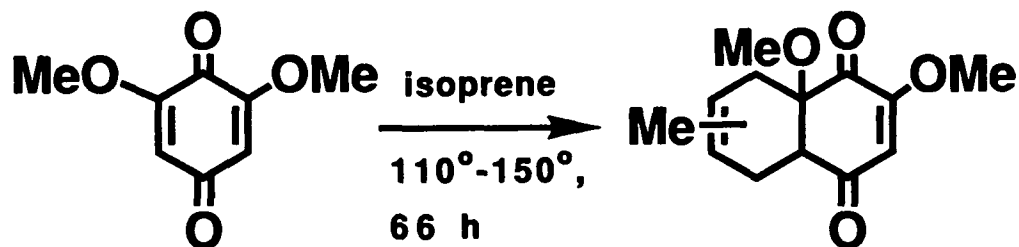
## Diels-Alder Reaction of Benzoquinones



98% adduct,  
68/30 mixture



75%

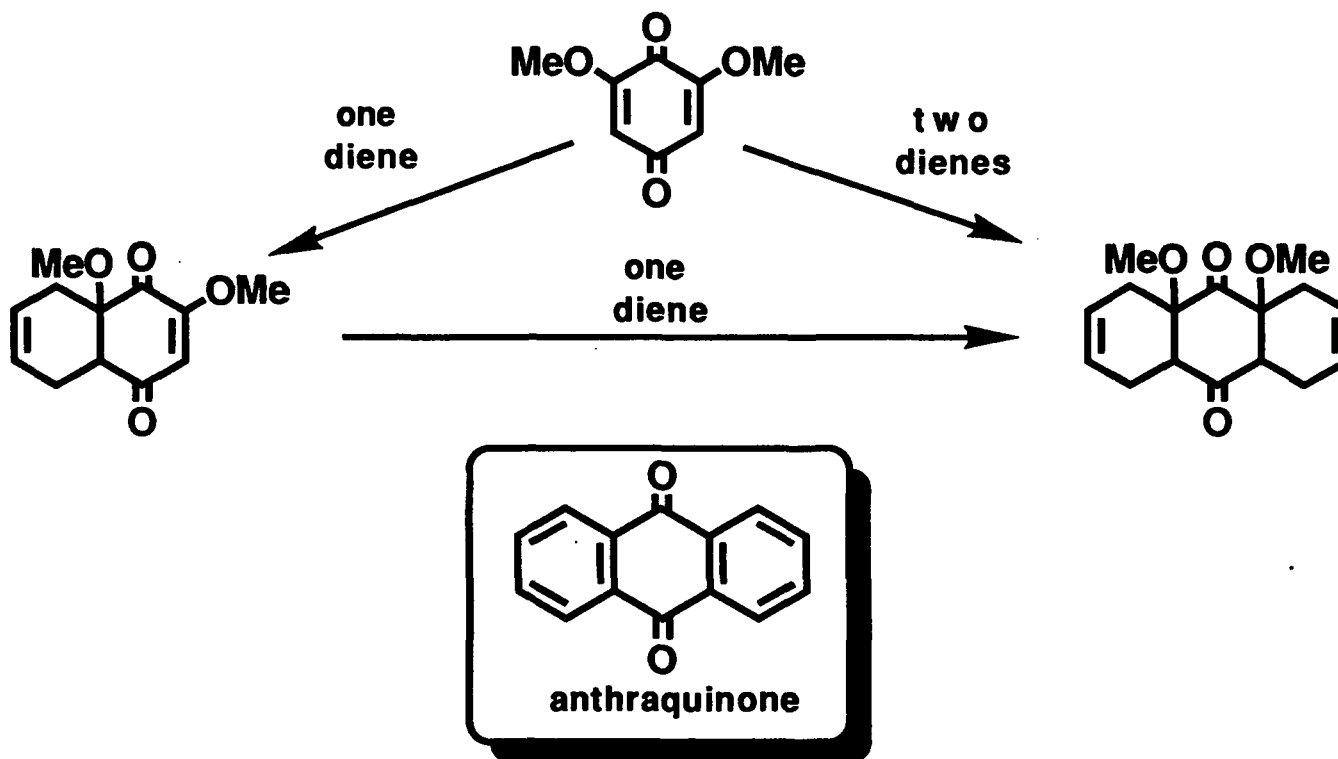


88%

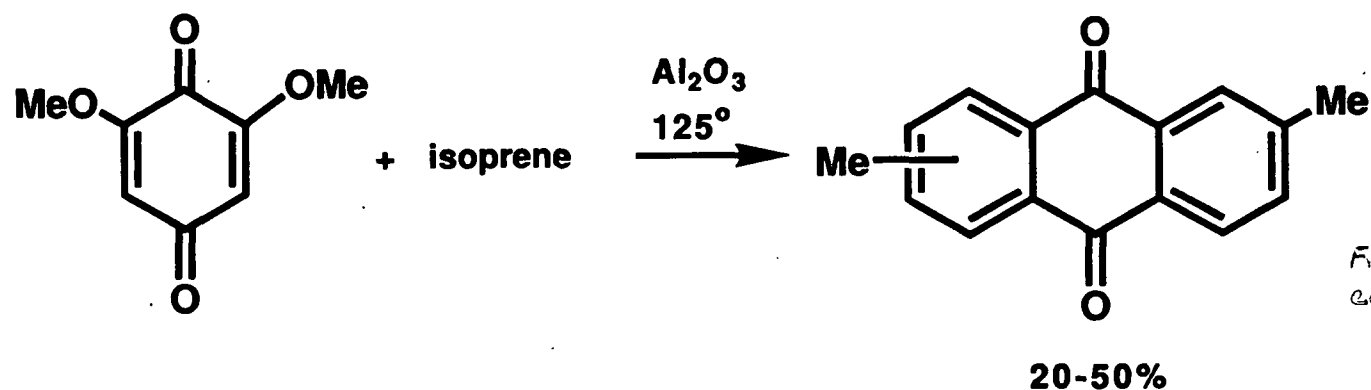
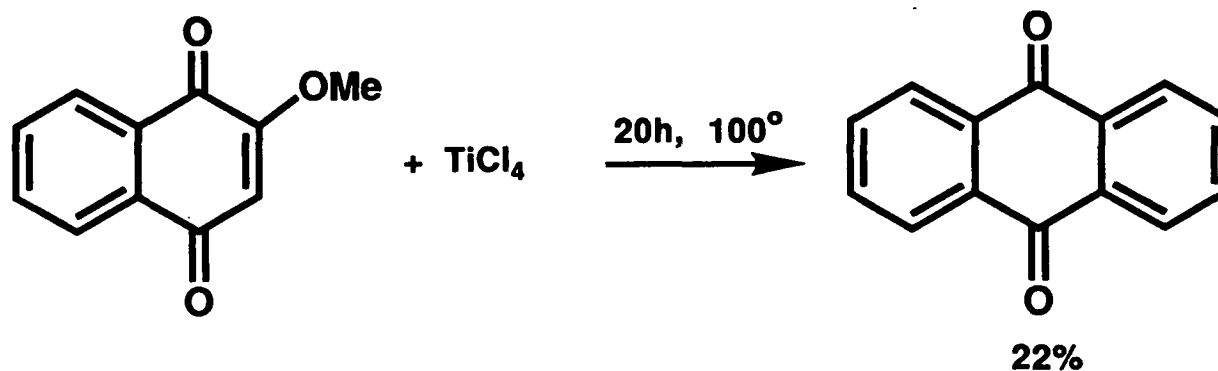
## Results of Chemical Processing

### Stage 2: Chemical Processing

2. oxidation products (benzoquinones)  $\xrightarrow{\text{diene}}$  anthraquinone precursor



## Other Approaches to Diels-Alder Adducts



First example of direct  
conversion to anthraquinone

## **Summary of Results**

### **Process Economics**

**Lab research has given a factor of 10 drop in projected cost in only 18 months.**

### **Stage 1: Lignin Processing**

**The amount of useable material extracted has been increased from 10% to 50%.**

### **Stage 2: Chemical Processing**

**Significant progress has been made in each step of this stage:**

**Nitrogen dioxide allows oxidation of both types of lignin substructures.**

**Catalysis could allow use of inexpensive oxygen or air as an oxidant.**

**All oxidation products undergo reaction to form the anthraquinone skeleton.**

**Catalysis of the anthraquinone-forming step allows a direct, one-step conversion of benzoquinones to anthraquinones and streamlines the process. ✓**

## PROJECT 3661 OBJECTIVE

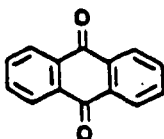
DEVELOP A SELECTIVE/ECONOMICAL PULPING SYSTEM BASED ON  
THE USE OF PULPING CATALYSTS GENERATED FROM LIGNIN

### POTENTIAL BENEFITS

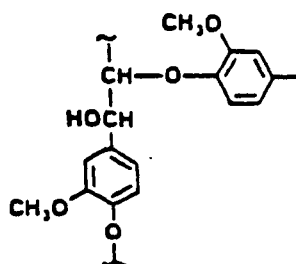
GREATER PRODUCTIVITY  
LOWER ENERGY INPUTS  
LOWER BLEACHING COSTS/BY-PRODUCTS  
SIMPLIFIED RECOVERY SYSTEM  
CONSERVATION OF RAW MATERIALS

### CATALYSTS FROM LIGNIN

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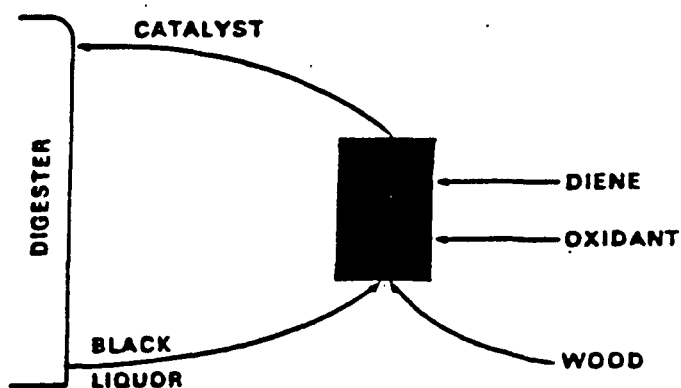


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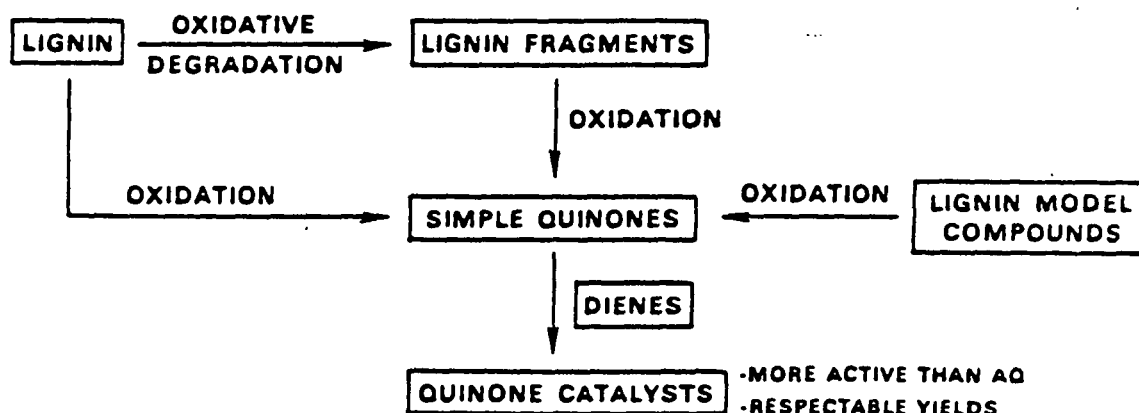


LIGNIN UNIT

### CATALYSTS FROM LIGNIN APPROACHES



## CATALYSTS FROM LIGNIN RESULTS



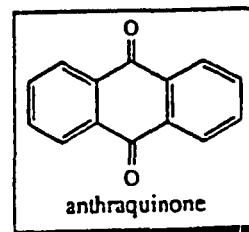
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## Proposed Approach to Anthraquinone from Lignin

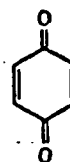


### 1) Lignin Processing

lignin  $\xrightarrow{\text{separation}}$  low molecular weight fraction

### 2) Chemical Processing

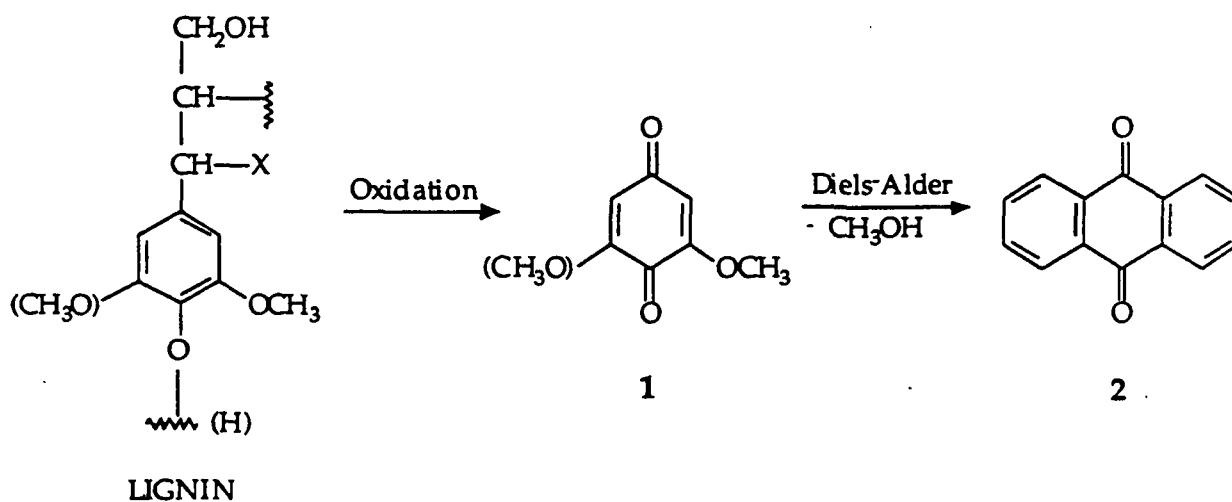
a) low molecular weight fraction  $\xrightarrow{\text{oxidation}}$  benzoquinone mixture e. g.,

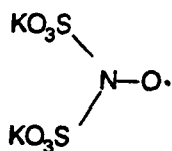


b) benzoquinone mixture  $\xrightarrow{\text{diene}}$  anthraquinone precursor (The Diels-Alder reaction)

c) anthraquinone precursor  $\xrightarrow[\text{catalyst}]{\text{dehydrogenation}}$  anthraquinone

# CHEMICAL STEPS IN THE CONVERSION OF LIGNIN TO ANTHRAQUINONE





Fermy salt.

Expensive

Consumed

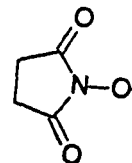
Requires >2 equivalents

Sometime explosive

Requires low reaction temperature

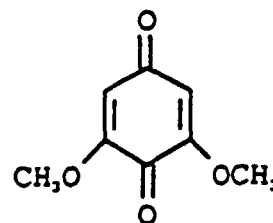
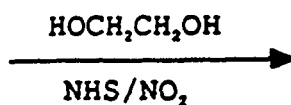
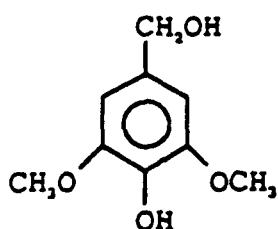
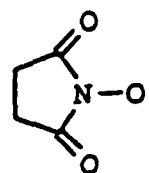
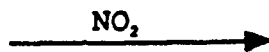
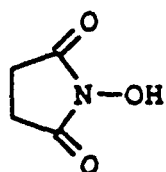
Reaction time is usually 2-5 hours

How About:



NHS  
Not commercially available

N Hydroxy Succinimide



Good yield 90%

yield are lower when only one OH group present < 20%

Table 12. Oxidation of SERI Lignin Samples by NO<sub>2</sub>/NHS<sup>a</sup>

| <u>Lignin Source</u>        | <u>% Yield</u>          |                    |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
|                             | <u>DMBQ<sup>b</sup></u> | <u>MBQ</u>         |
| Soluble white oak extract   | 6.5 (9.2)               | Trace <sup>c</sup> |
| Soluble aspen extract       | 9.8 (9.8)               | 5.0                |
| Soluble scarlet oak extract | 7.7 (7.7)               | 1.07               |
| White oak, insoluble        | 4.7 (5.1)               | Trace <sup>c</sup> |
| Aspen, insoluble            | 4.7 (5.2)               | 0.75               |
| Scarlet oak, insoluble      | 3.5 (3.5)               | 0.0                |

<sup>a</sup> 24 hours, 60 mg NO<sub>2</sub>/50 mg lignin, NHS = 60 mg, 5 mL MeOH, rt.

<sup>b</sup> Numbers in parenthesis are yields calculated by HPLC.

<sup>c</sup> Trace = <0.5%.

yield not  
det 100%  
low

Yields of  $\text{MBQ}$ , are lower with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  than with  $\text{NH}_3$ .

Table 14. Oxidation of SERI lignin samples by hydrogen peroxide<sup>a</sup>

| <u>Lignin Source</u>               | <u>Actual % Yield</u><br><u>DMBQ<sup>b</sup></u> | <u>% Syringaldehyde</u><br><u>in extract<sup>b,c</sup></u> | <u>% Vanillin</u><br><u>in extract<sup>b,c</sup></u> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Soluble white oak extract          | 1.7                                              | 0.8                                                        | 0.4                                                  |
| Soluble aspen extract <sup>d</sup> | 2.1                                              | 9.3                                                        | 3.0                                                  |
| Soluble scarlet oak extract        | 1.7                                              | 0.8                                                        | 0.3                                                  |

<sup>a</sup> 3.3 equiv. of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ /lignin monomer unit, starting pH 11, rt.

<sup>b</sup> Yields by HPLC.

<sup>c</sup> Sample analysis before reaction.

<sup>d</sup> MBQ was observed at a level corresponding to a 7% conversion of the available vanillin.

**Table 13. A comparison of lignin oxidation results with NO<sub>2</sub>/NHS.<sup>a</sup>**

| <b>Lignin</b>                        | <b>DMBQ yield. %</b> | <b>MBQ yield. %</b> |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Hardwood kraft lignin 1 <sup>b</sup> | 5.0                  | Trace               |
| Hardwood kraft lignin 2 <sup>c</sup> | 7.2                  | Trace               |
| Hardwood ethanol lignin <sup>d</sup> | 6.2                  | 1.0                 |
| Organosolv aspen lignin <sup>e</sup> | 7.9                  | 2.1                 |

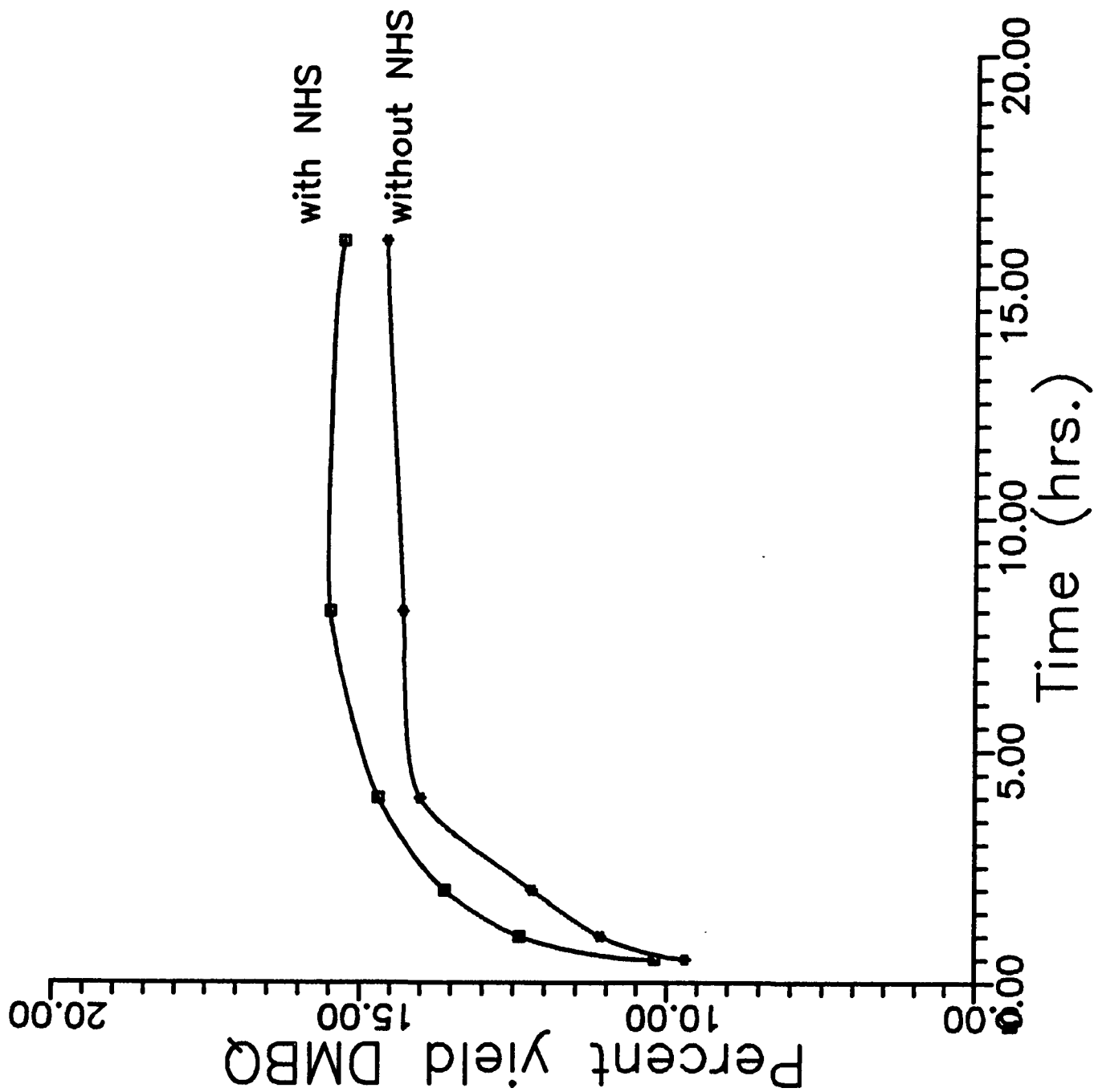
<sup>a</sup> Ratio of NO<sub>2</sub>/NHS/lignin monomer was 3/2/1.

<sup>b</sup> Experimental lignin from Westvaco.

<sup>c</sup> Experimental lignin from Westvaco different from above.

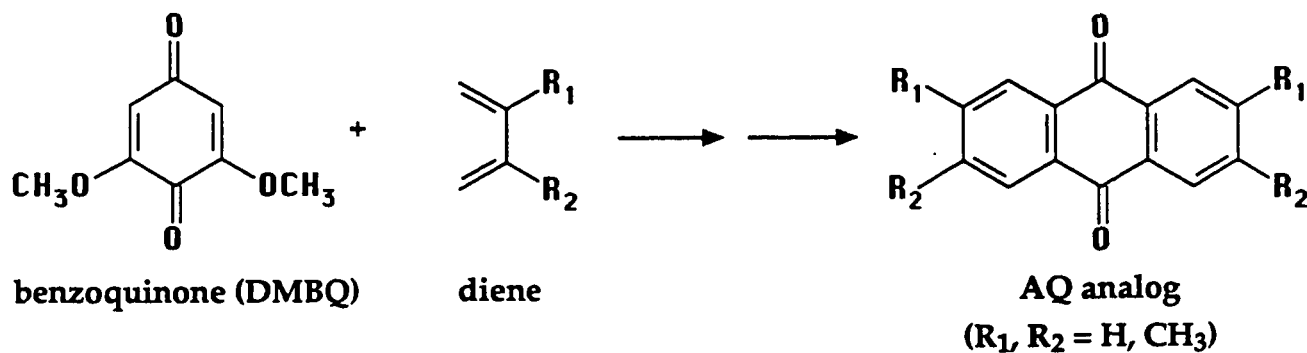
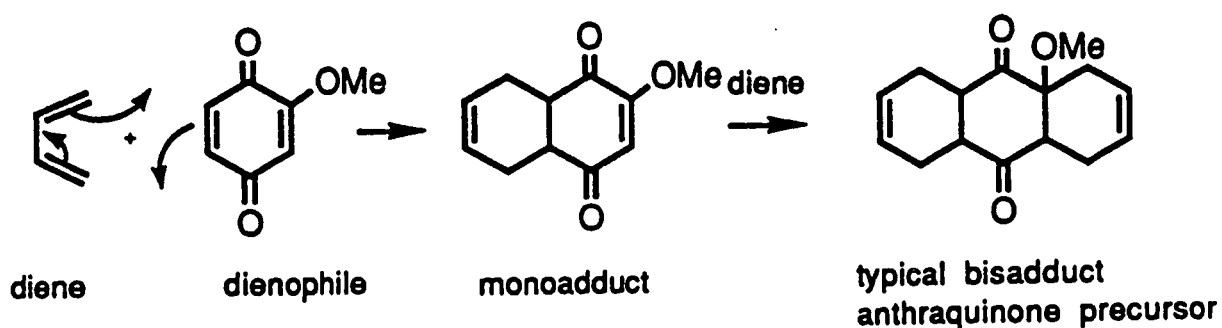
<sup>d</sup> Sample generated by SERI from an ethanol pulping process.

<sup>e</sup> Sample generated by SERI, but different from those in Table 12.



## LIGNIN DEGRADATION PRIOR TO OXIDATION

- (1)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{NaOH}$  oxidation
- (2) Acidolysis ✓
- (3)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2/\text{NaOH}$  oxidation after acidolysis
- (4)  $\text{CuO}/\text{NaOH}$  oxidation
- (5)  $\text{NaBH}_4$  reduction ~
- (6)  $\text{CuO}/\text{NaOH}$  oxidation and  $\text{NaBH}_4$  reduction
- (7) Kraft
- (8) Sulfite
- (9) Ozone



## LONG-TERM RESEARCH AREAS *YBRI*

- Optimize oxidation yields for 2-3 reagents.
- Test best oxidants on low molecular weight lignin samples.
- Screen lignin samples for potential to generate quinone catalyst.
- Optimize Diels-Alder reaction yields.
- Continue economical evaluation updates.
- Select oxidation agent, starting lignin, diene, and quinone for commercial development.
- Scale up.



**FUNDAMENTALS  
OF  
BRIGHTNESS STABILITY**

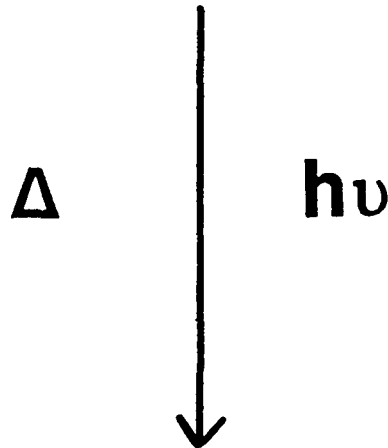
**PROJECT 3524**

**Dr. A.J. Ragauskas**



## INTRODUCTION

**Bleached and/or Unbleached Mechanical Pulp**



**Yellowed Mechanical Pulp**

Yellowing <sup>catalyzed</sup>

- 1) Thermally
- 2) Photochemically

**Principal focus of this project is photo-yellowing**

## PHOTO-YELLOWING PARAMETERS

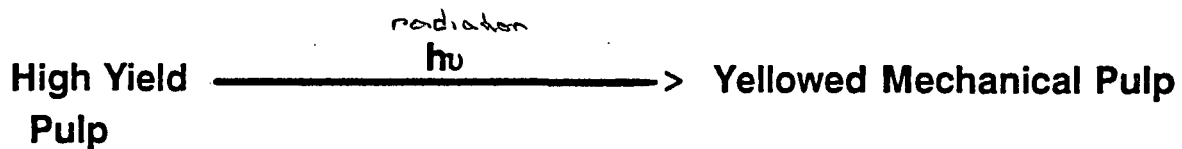
### Important Experimental Parameters

- 1)  $\lambda = 300 - 400 \text{ nm}$
- 2)  $\text{O}_2$  is required

### Yellowing Components

- 1) ortho quinones
- 2) para quinones
- 3) quinone derivatives

## FUNDAMENTAL PARAMETERS OF BRIGHTNESS REVERSION



### Reaction Parameters

- photo-yellowing process is initiated by the absorption of light by lignin
- cellulose and hemi-cellulose are not involved in the photo-initiate process but may contribute to secondary reactions
- extractives, moisture content, pH, and common inorganic salts have little impact on the rate of yellowing

### Process Parameters

- variations in
  - 1) mechanical pulping techniques
  - 2) bleaching procedures
  - 3) chemical additives

have not yielded a commercial viable means of controlling brightness reversion

## PROJECT 3524 OBJECTIVES

Investigate the fundamental chemical reactions which are initiated when high yield pulps are photolyzed and to apply this knowledge to stop or significantly retard the yellowing process.

### Research Directions

- (i) the photo-formation of chromophoric structures employing model compounds and TMP
- (ii) the photo-reactivity of chromophoric structures employing model compounds and TMP
- (iii) the design of novel photostabilization techniques for mechanical pulp.

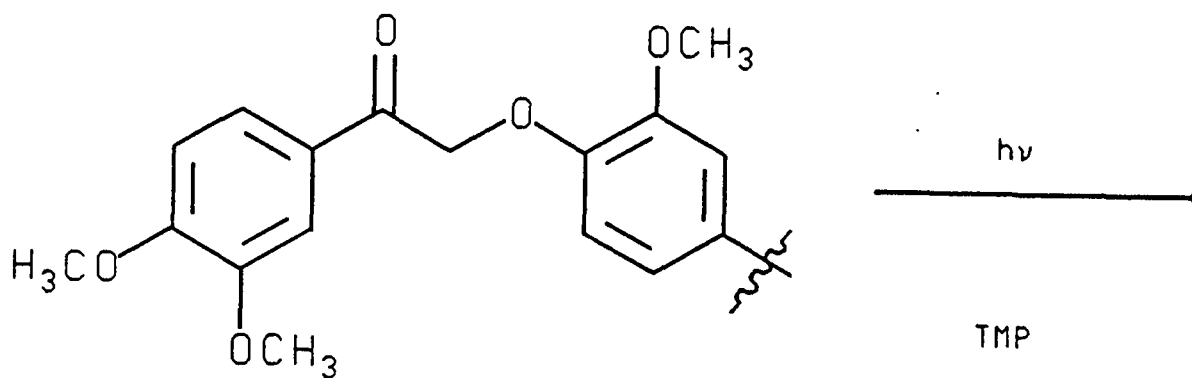
## FUNDAMENTALS OF BRIGHTNESS REVERSION



### AIM OF CURRENT STUDIES

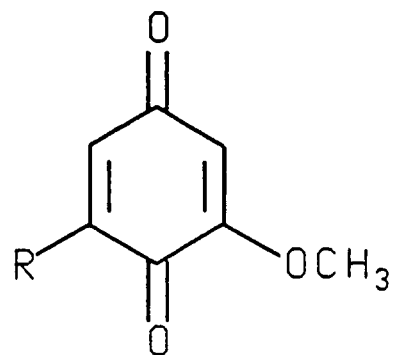
- A/ Investigate the fundamental photochemical initiation steps involved in the brightness reversion process

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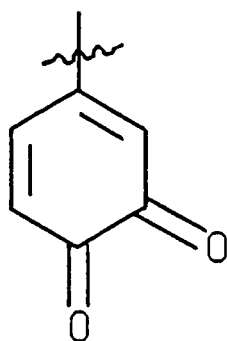
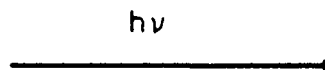


B/ Examine the photochemical behavior of quinones under the brightness reversion conditions

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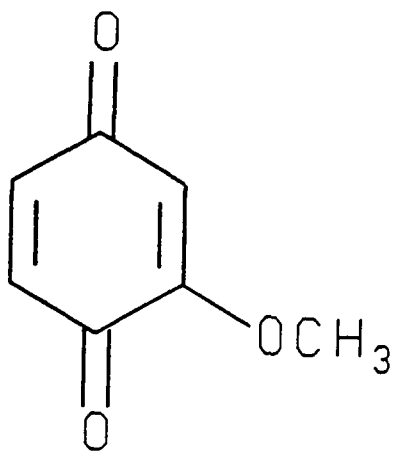


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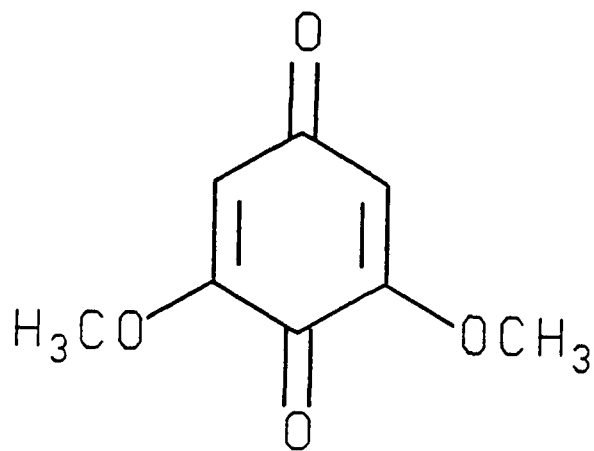
**STUDIES DIRECTED AT INVESTIGATING THE PHOTO-REACTIVITY OF  
QUINONES UNDER THE BRIGHTNESS REVERSION CONDITIONS**

**Compounds of Interest**

**Para Quinones**



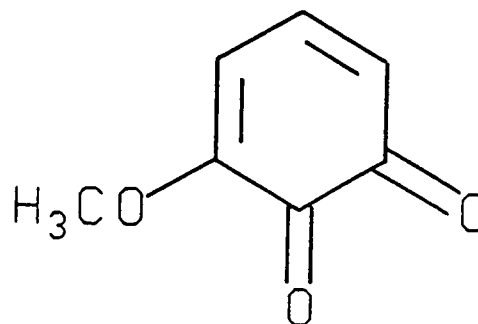
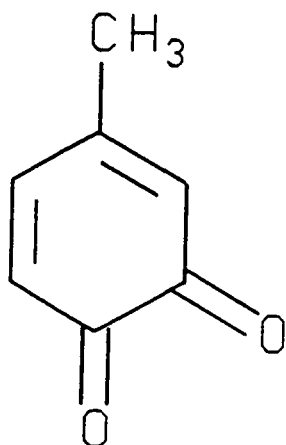
MMBQ



DMBQ

- frequently proposed as contributing to the yellowing of mechanical pulp, some UV/IR data supports the presence of these structures

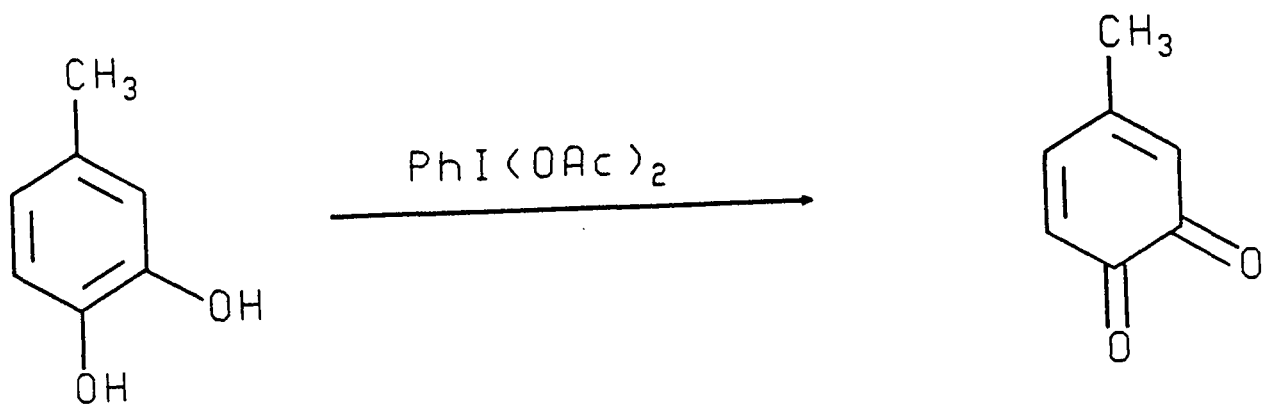
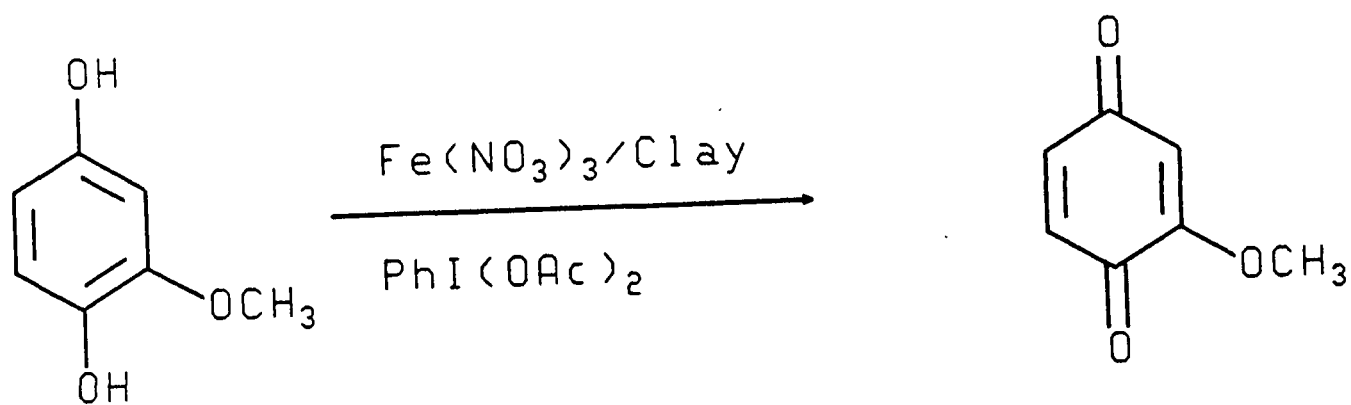
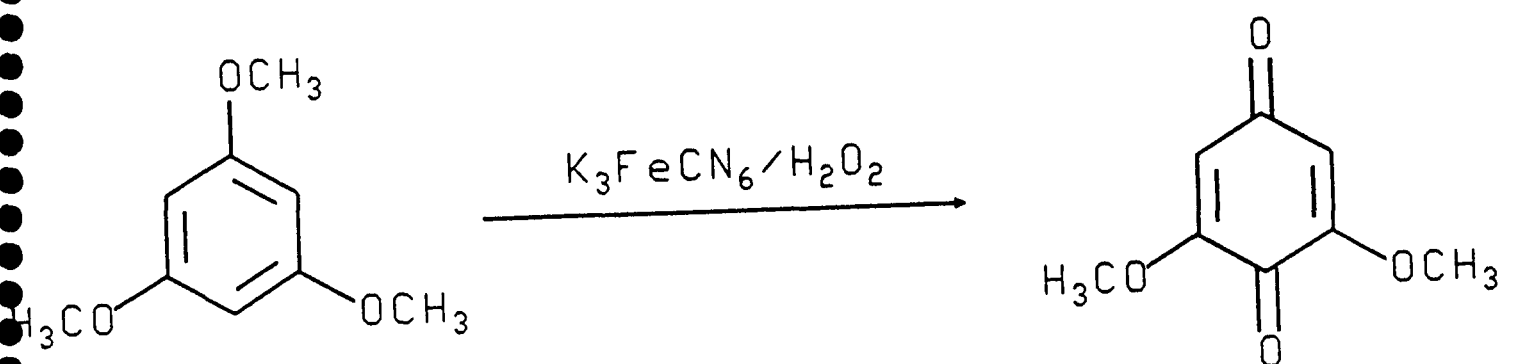
## Ortho Quinones



- detected in mechanical pulp by employing chemical derivatization and <sup>31</sup>P NMR

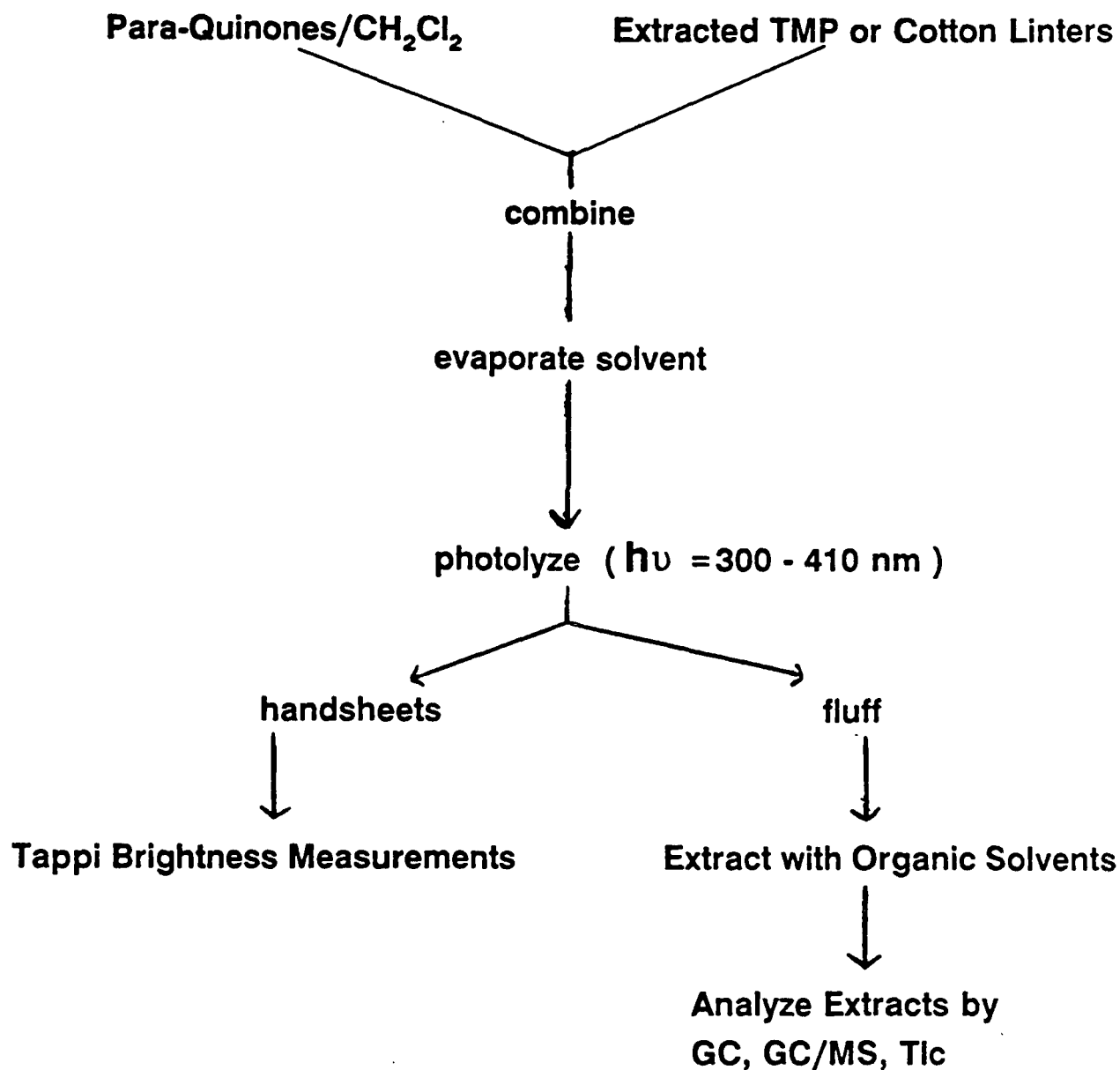
Photochemical behavior of these types of compounds in the solid state is currently poorly defined

## PREPARATION OF QUINONES



# PHOTO-CHEMICAL STUDIES OF PARA-QUINONES

## Experimental Procedures



-para quinones were selected as initial targets in this study due to ease in preparation and handling

## PHOTOLYSIS OF DMBQ IN THE SOLID-STATE

### DMBQ/Cotton Linter Fluff

| Period of Irradiation (h) | % DMBQ Recovered <sup>a</sup> |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 0                         | 93                            |
| 1                         | 81                            |
| 2                         | 73                            |
| 4                         | 69                            |
| 8                         | 76                            |

- a
- GC yields, no other compounds were detected in the extracts
  - prolonged irradiation for > 24 h did result in the formation of a variety of minor dimeric components (< 10% by GC/MS)

## DMBQ/Cotton Linter Handsheet

| Period of Irradiation (h) | Sample             | Tappi Brightness |         |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------|
|                           |                    | Trial 1          | Trial 2 |
| 0                         | Cotton Linter      | 89               |         |
| 0                         | Cotton Linter\DMBQ | 38               | 42      |
| 1                         | Cotton Linter      | 88               |         |
| 1                         | Cotton Linter\DMBQ | 40               | 43      |
| 2                         | Cotton Linter      | 88               |         |
| 2                         | Cotton Linter\DMBQ | 44               | 42      |
| 4                         | Cotton Linter      | 89               |         |
| 4                         | Cotton Linter\DMBQ | 56               | 42      |

**-brightness measurements demonstrate that the handsheets are not undergoing photo-bleaching**

**-DMBQ/cotton linter experiments suggest that DMBQ is stable to the brightness reversion conditions**

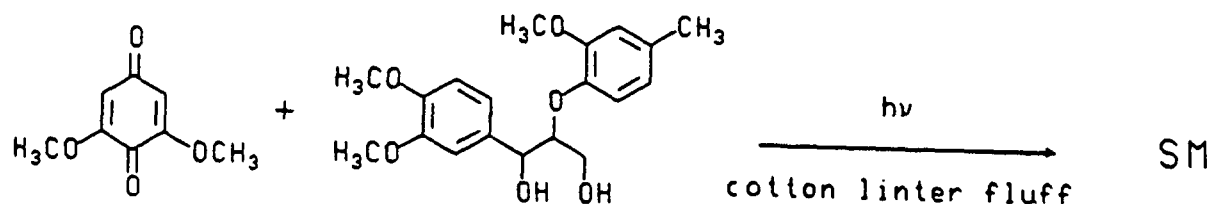
**DMBQ/TMP Fluff**

| <b>Period of Irradiation (h)</b> | <b>% DMBQ Recovered<sup>a</sup> (GC Yields)</b> |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>                         | <b>83</b>                                       |
| <b>2</b>                         | <b>100+<sup>b</sup></b>                         |
| <b>4</b>                         | <b>76</b>                                       |
| <b>8</b>                         | <b>100+<sup>b</sup></b>                         |

**a - no other major components were detected in the extracts**

**b - samples gave greater than 100% yields since the reaction mixture is not homogeneous**

DMBQ/Lignin Model Compound/Cotton Linter Fluff



**Conclusion:** DMBQ appears to be photo-stabile under the brightness reversion conditions and does not lead to the formation of singlet oxygen or other oxidative processes.

## PHOTOLYSIS OF MMBQ IN THE SOLID-STATE

### MMBQ/Cotton Linter Fluff

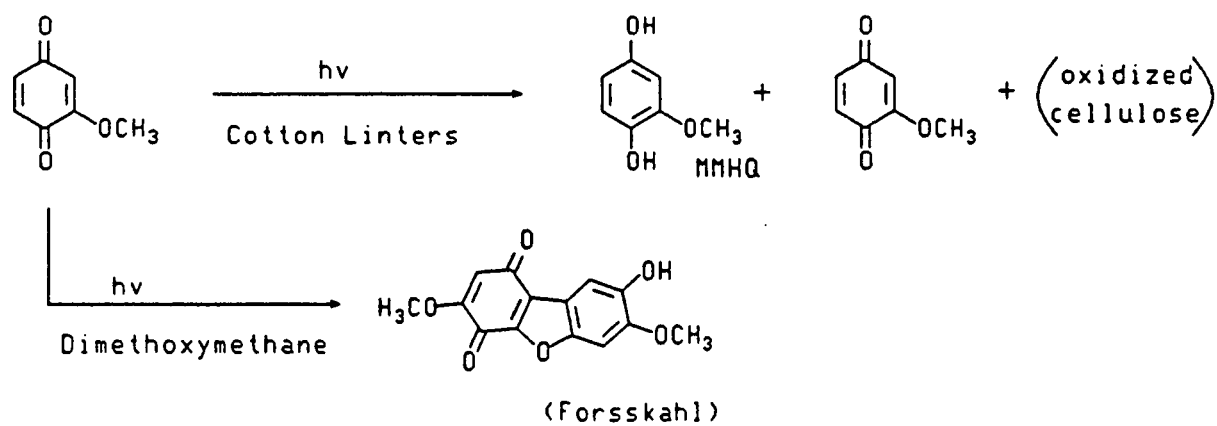
| Period of Irradiation (h) | % MMBQ Recovered <sup>a</sup> | % MMHQ <sup>a</sup> |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| 0                         | 82                            |                     |
| 1/2                       | 65                            | 6                   |
| 1                         | 58                            | 5                   |
| 2                         | 65                            | 5                   |
| 4                         | 70                            | 8                   |

a - GC yields, no other compounds were detected in the extracts

- MMHQ = monomethoxyhydroquinone

- GC analysis indicates that the mayor product from photolysis is the reduced MMBQ

## MMBQ/Cotton Linter Fluff



### **MMBQ/Cotton Linter Handsheets**

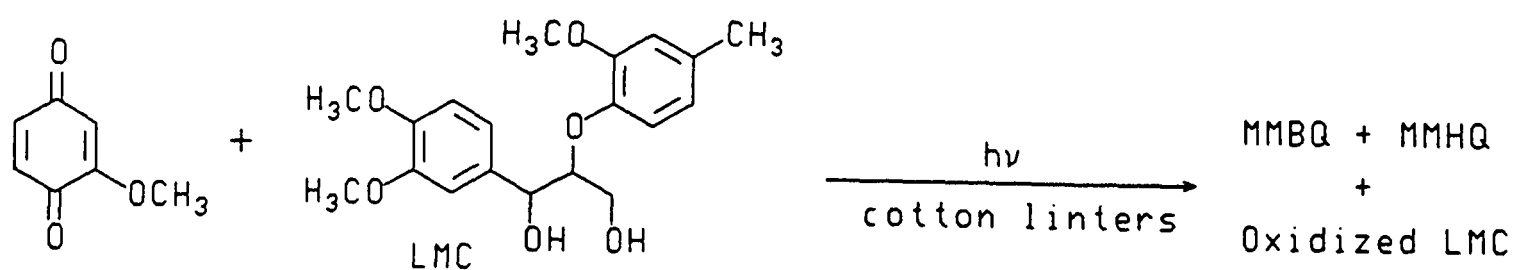
| <b>Period Irradiation (h)</b> | <b>TAPPI Brightness</b> |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>0</b>                      | <b>44</b>               |
| <b>1</b>                      | <b>35</b>               |
| <b>2</b>                      | <b>32</b>               |
| <b>4</b>                      | <b>33</b>               |

**-the cause of the brightness decrease has not been identified, but an attractive possibility is the formation of a charge complex between MMBQ and MMHQ**

**-the photo-reduction of MMBQ could provide a mechanism by which cellulose could be involved in the brightness reversion phenomena**

**-these results highlight the potential differences that can occur between solution and solid state photochemistry reactions**

### MMBQ/Lignin Model Compound/Cotton Linters



**-experimental analysis suggests that lignin type structures are photoreactive to MMBQ**

**MMBQ/TMP Fluff**

| Period Irradiation (h) | % MMBQ Recovered <sup>a</sup> |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 0                      | 100                           |
| 1                      | 18                            |
| 2                      | 28                            |
| 4                      | 24                            |

**a - GC yields**

**-fate of MMBQ on TMP currently remains uncertain but these results clearly suggest that MMBQ is not a final photochemical product in the brightness reversion phenomena**

## **CONCLUSIONS**

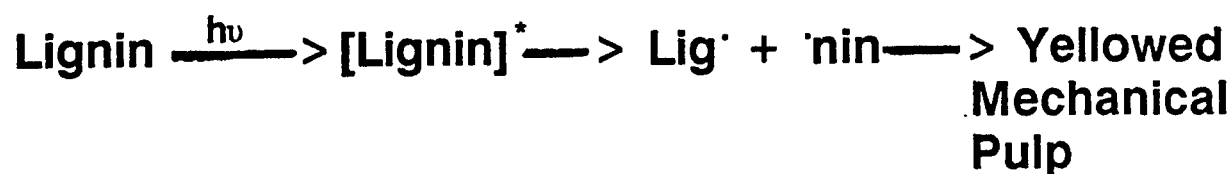
**DMBQ appears to be relatively photo-stable under brightness reversion conditions.**

**MMBQ is photo-reactive under the brightness conditions and contributes to the "yellowing" of high yield pulp. Current studies clearly demonstrate differences in solution and solid phase photochemistry. Experimental results suggest that photolysis of MMBQ leads to the oxidation of lignin and cellulose.**

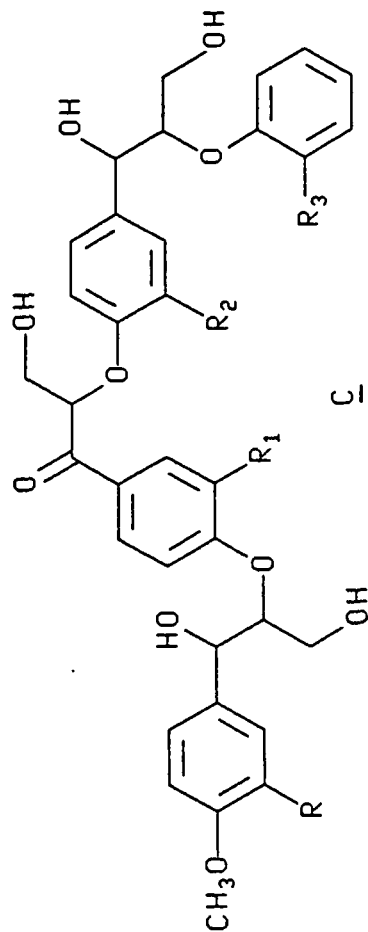
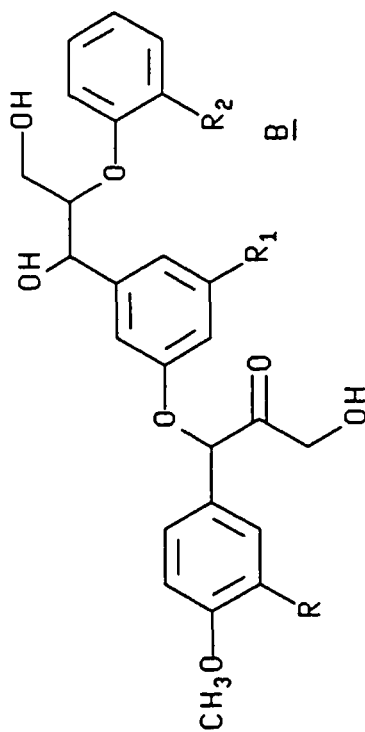
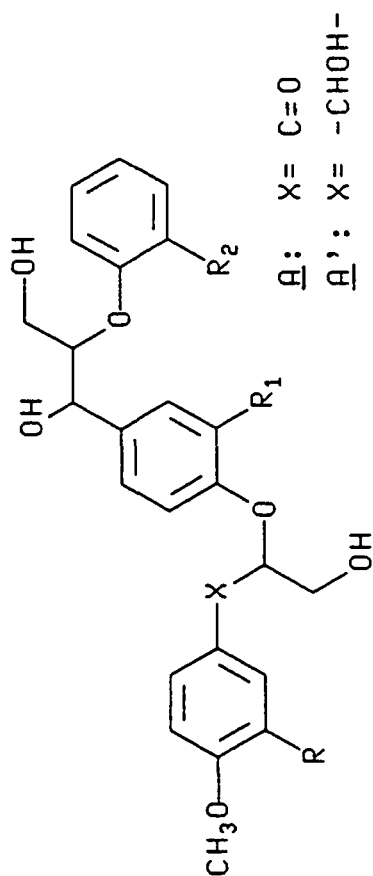
**Research Efforts Directed At Studying**

**The Fundamental Photo-chemical Initiated**

**Oxidative Yellowing of High Yield Pulp**



# Lignin Model Compounds To Be Prepared

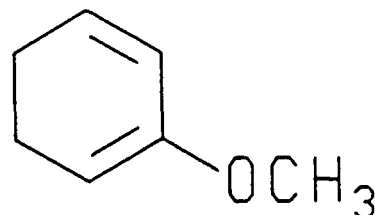
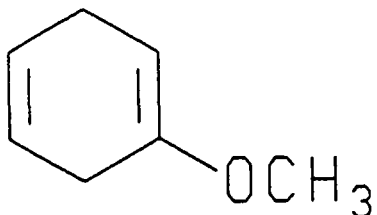


$R, R_1, R_2, R_3 = H, OCH_3$



## FUTURE GOALS

- 1/ Continue photochemical studies of MMBQ and ortho quinones adsorbed on TMP and cotton linters.
- 2/ Complete synthesis of lignin model compounds and start photolysis studies.
- 3/ Examine the use of Birch reduced aromatic systems as inhibitors for the brightness reversion process



***PROJECT 3477***

***DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ANALYTICAL METHODS***

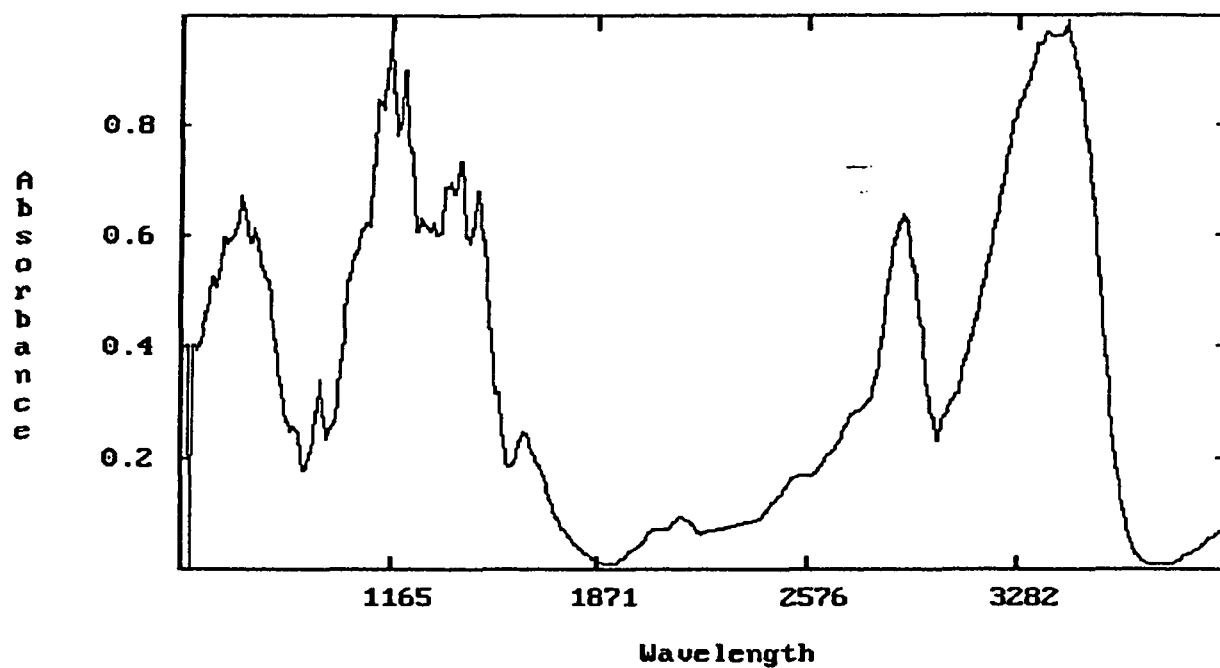
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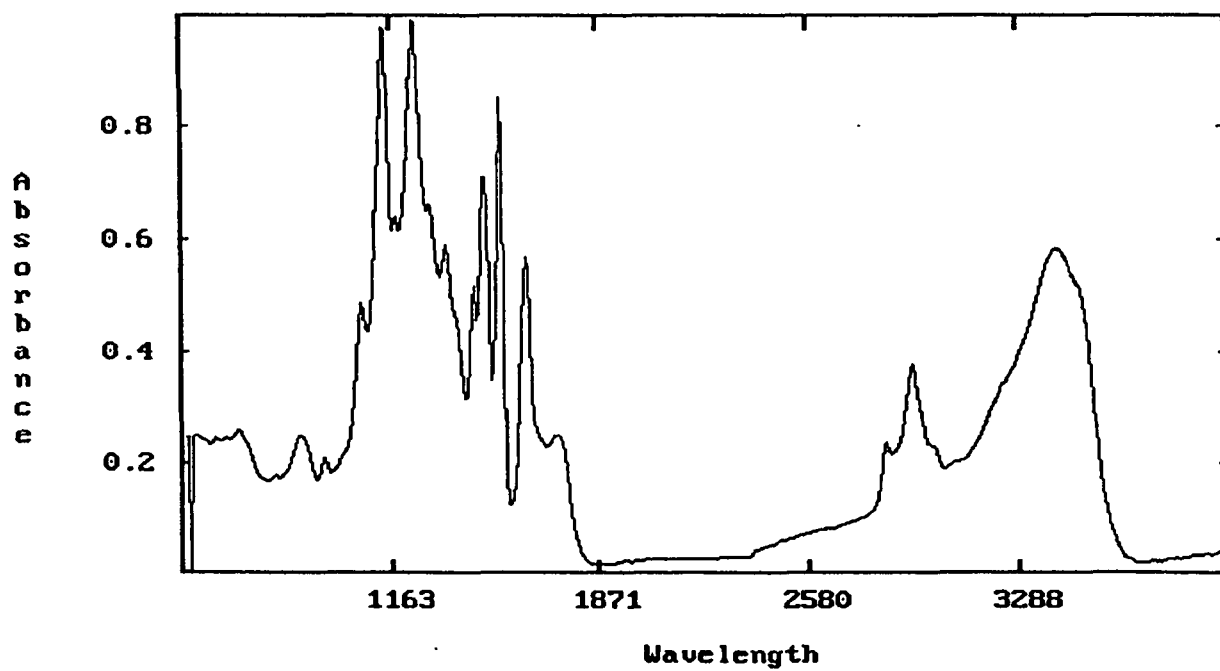


Purpose:

To develop an algorithm to automatically identify and quantify components in a mixture by IR spectroscopy.



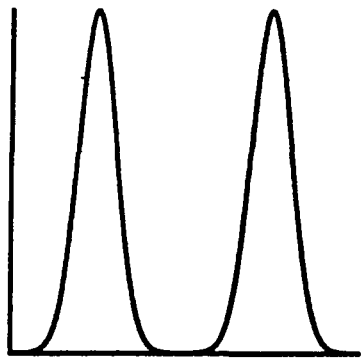
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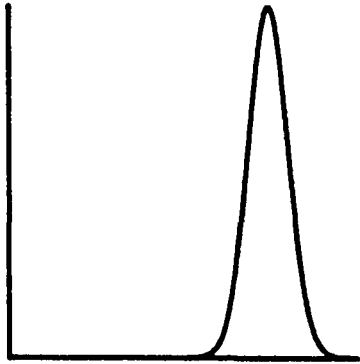
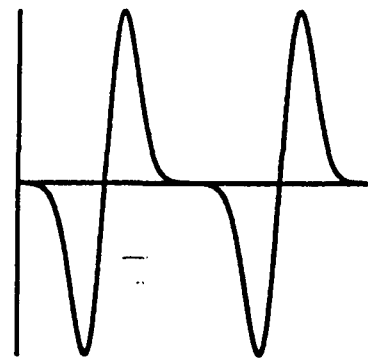
**Possible component?**

Fitting a library spectrum to the target is difficult if the target is complex.

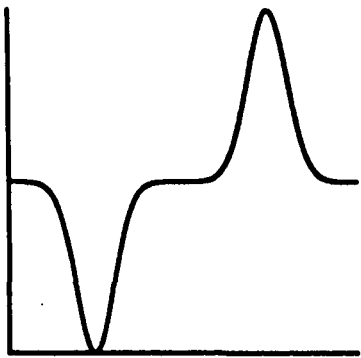
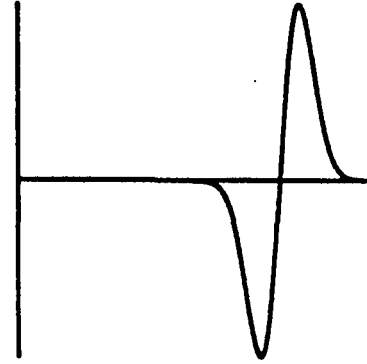
Multicomponent spectra have more lines than pure-component spectra. If a pure-component spectrum is exactly subtracted out, the number of lines should decrease.



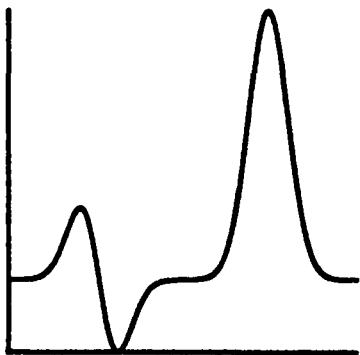
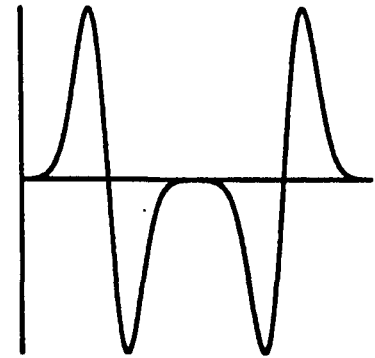
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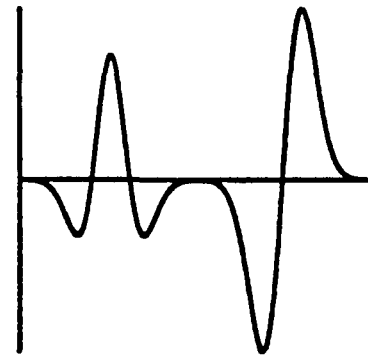
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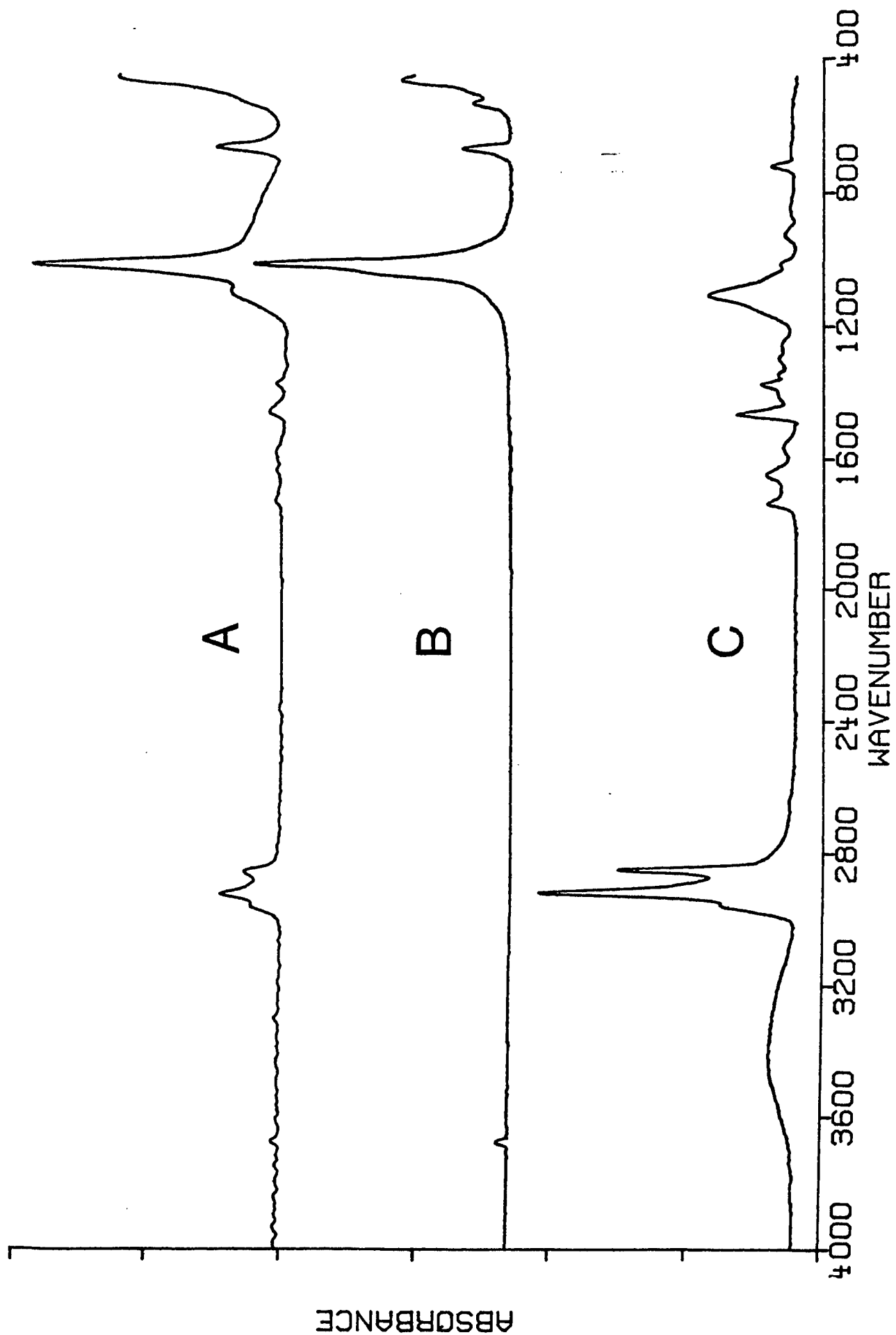


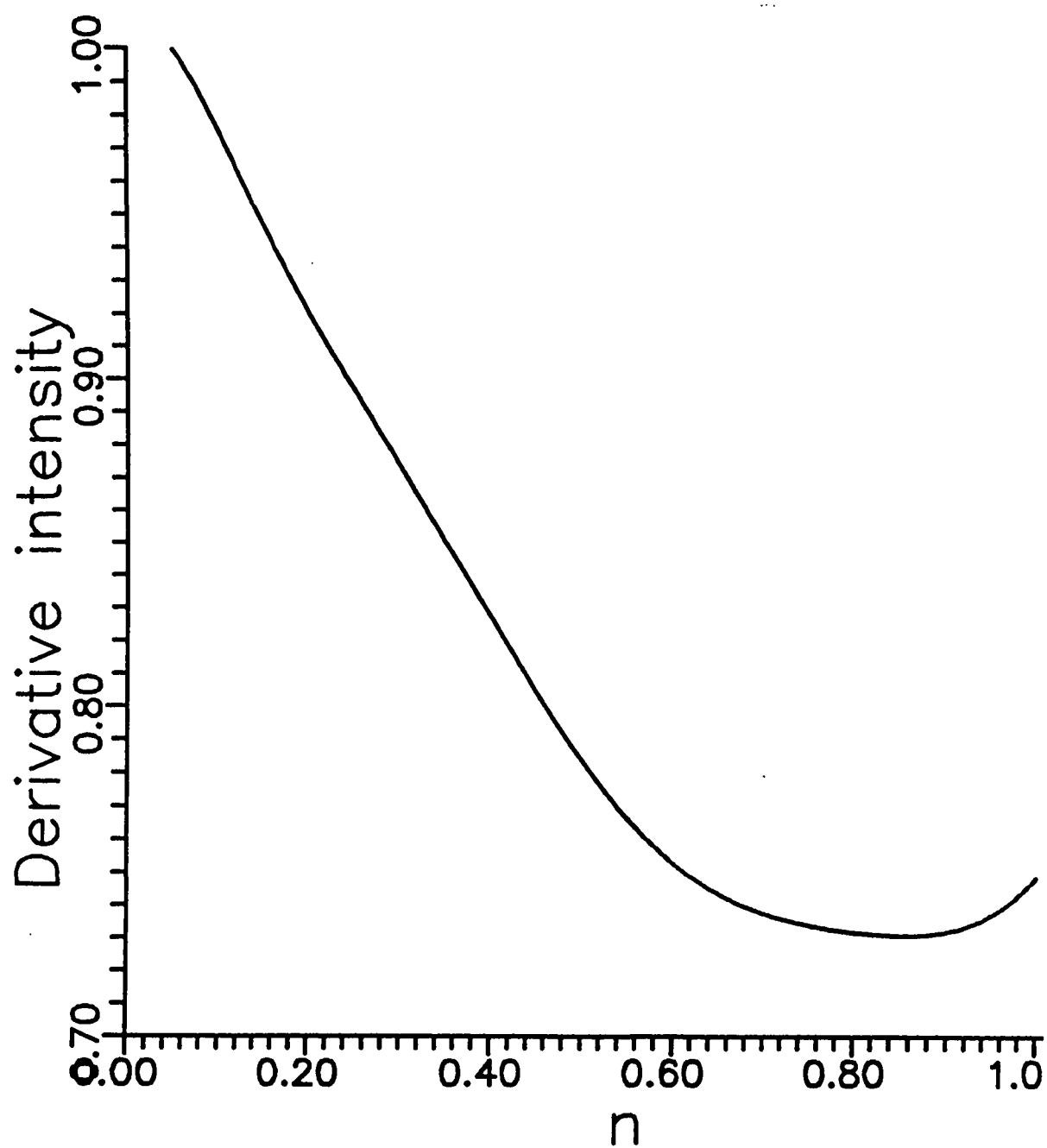
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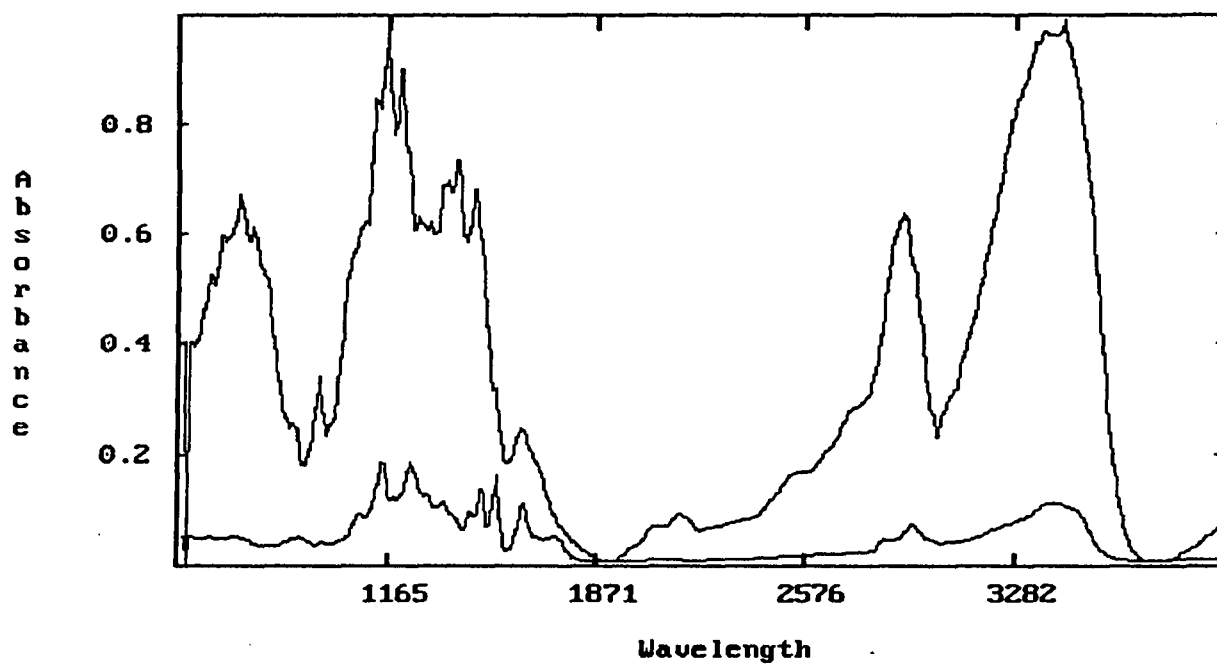






## Computer program (SPEC/ID)

- Accepts disk or hard-copy spectra
- Lines up & scales target with library spectrum
- Attempts to subtract out each spectrum in the IPST 310 spectrum library
- Run time: 9 min. on an IBM 386/16 PC



*PROJECT 3475*

*FUNDAMENTALS OF SELECTIVITY IN PULPING AND BLEACHING*

*April 2, 1991*

*Donald R. Dimmel*



## **PROJECT 3475**

### **FUNDAMENTALS OF SELECTIVITY IN PULPING AND BLEACHING**

#### **OBJECTIVES PROJECT 3475**

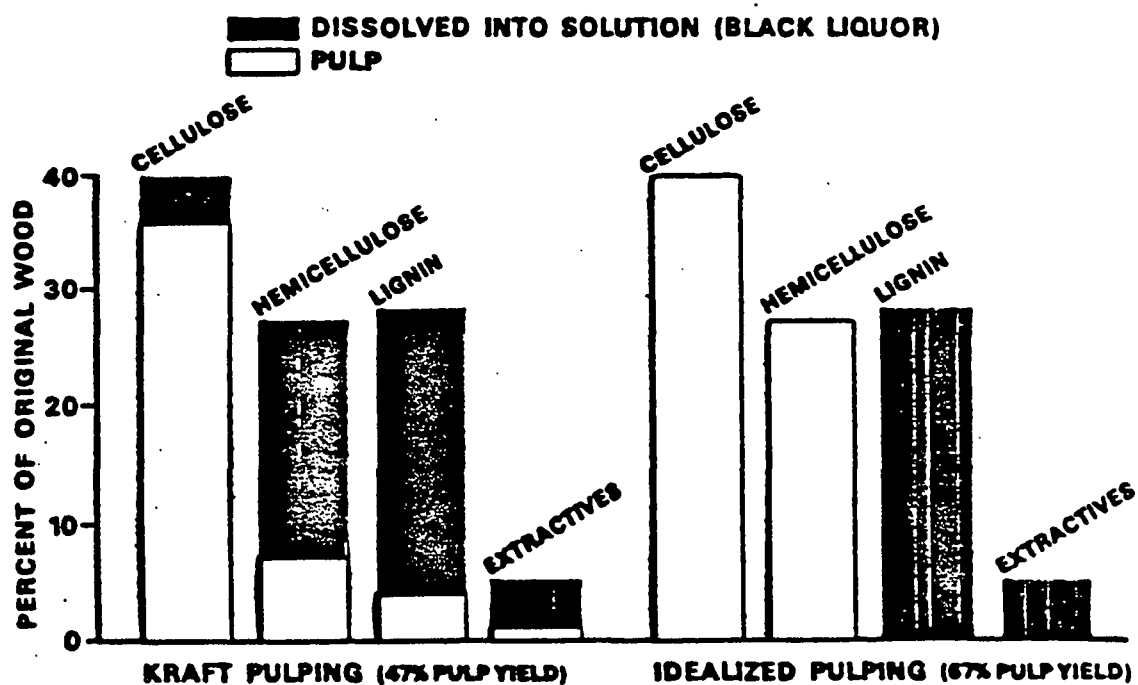
Develop a fundamental understanding of  
the chemical and physical reactions  
that control  
degradation rates and structural changes of  
lignin, cellulose, and hemicelluloses  
during  
pulping and bleaching

## **PROJECT 3475 CARBOHYDRATE STUDIES**

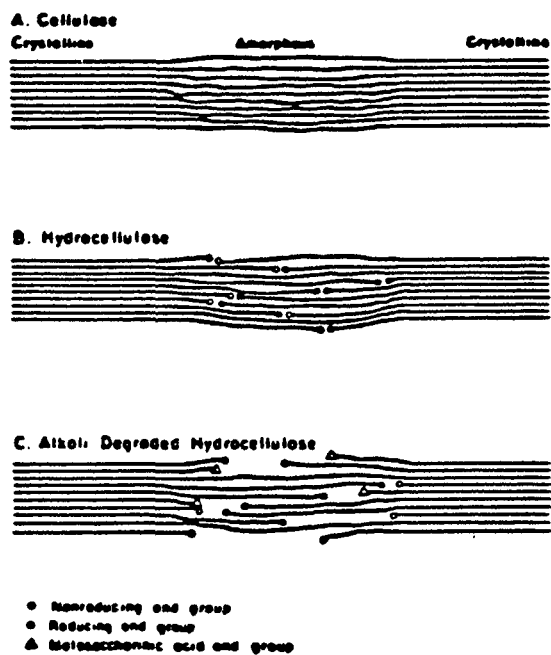
### **SIGNIFICANCE**

**A FUNDAMENTAL KNOWLEDGE OF CARBOHYDRATE CHAIN  
CLEAVAGE REACTIONS WILL LEAD TO BETTER PULPING AND  
BLEACHING STRATEGIES FOR PRODUCING HIGH QUALITY FIBERS**

## COMPONENT CHANGES WITH PULPING



## PHYSICAL EFFECTS IN CARBOHYDRATE REACTIONS

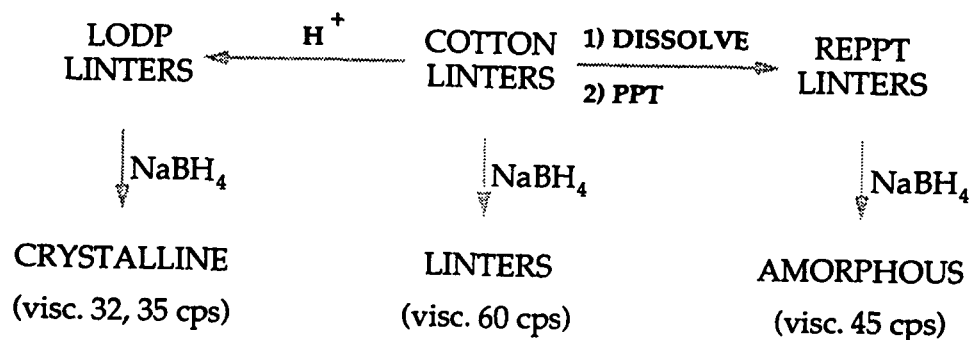


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## AQ CHAIN CLEAVAGE EFFECTS

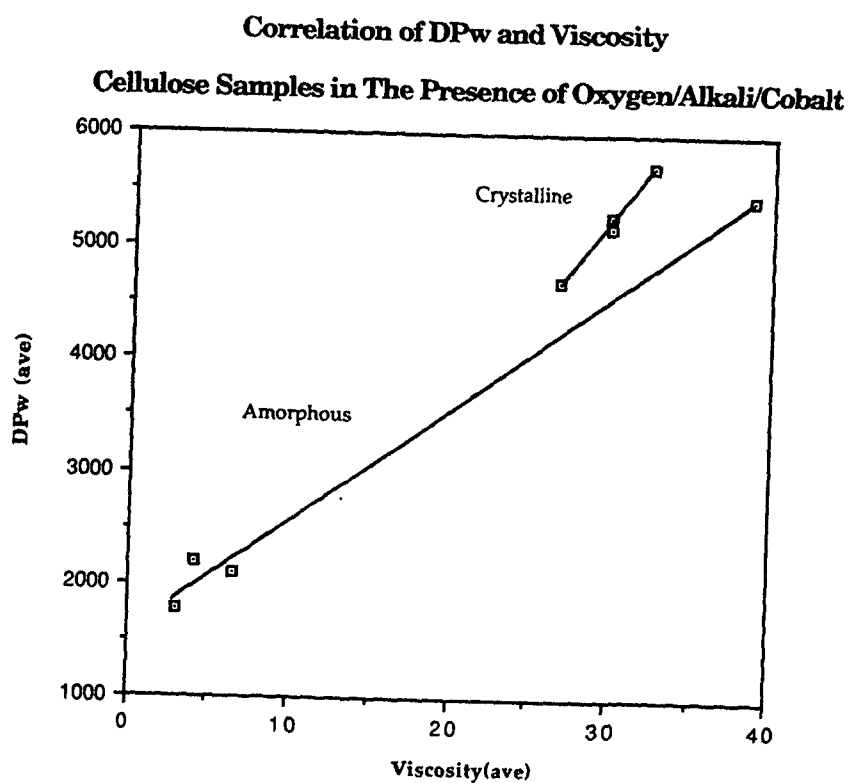
- AMYLOSE IS EXTENSIVELY DEGRADED
- CELLULOSE IS STABLE (?)
- DIFFERENCES: WATER SOLUBILITY  
 $\alpha$  - VS  $\beta$  - LINKED POLYMER
- DEGRADATIONS OF 1,5-ANHYDROCELLOBIITOL ( $\alpha$ -LINKED DISACCHARIDE) AND 1,5-ANHYDROMALTITOL ( $\beta$ -LINKED DISACCHARIDE) SHOWED SIMILAR RESPONSES TO AQ

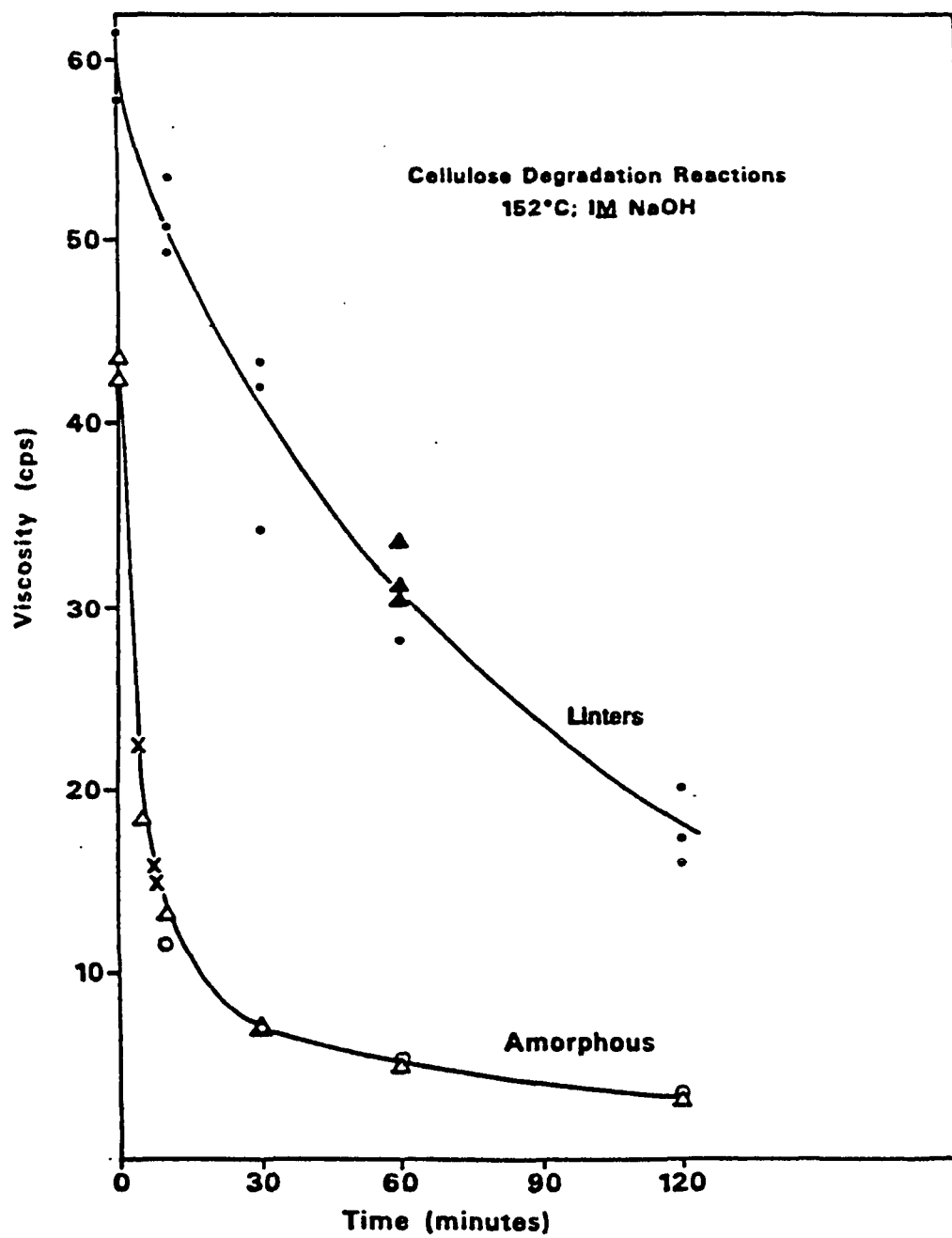
## Cellulose Sample Preparations



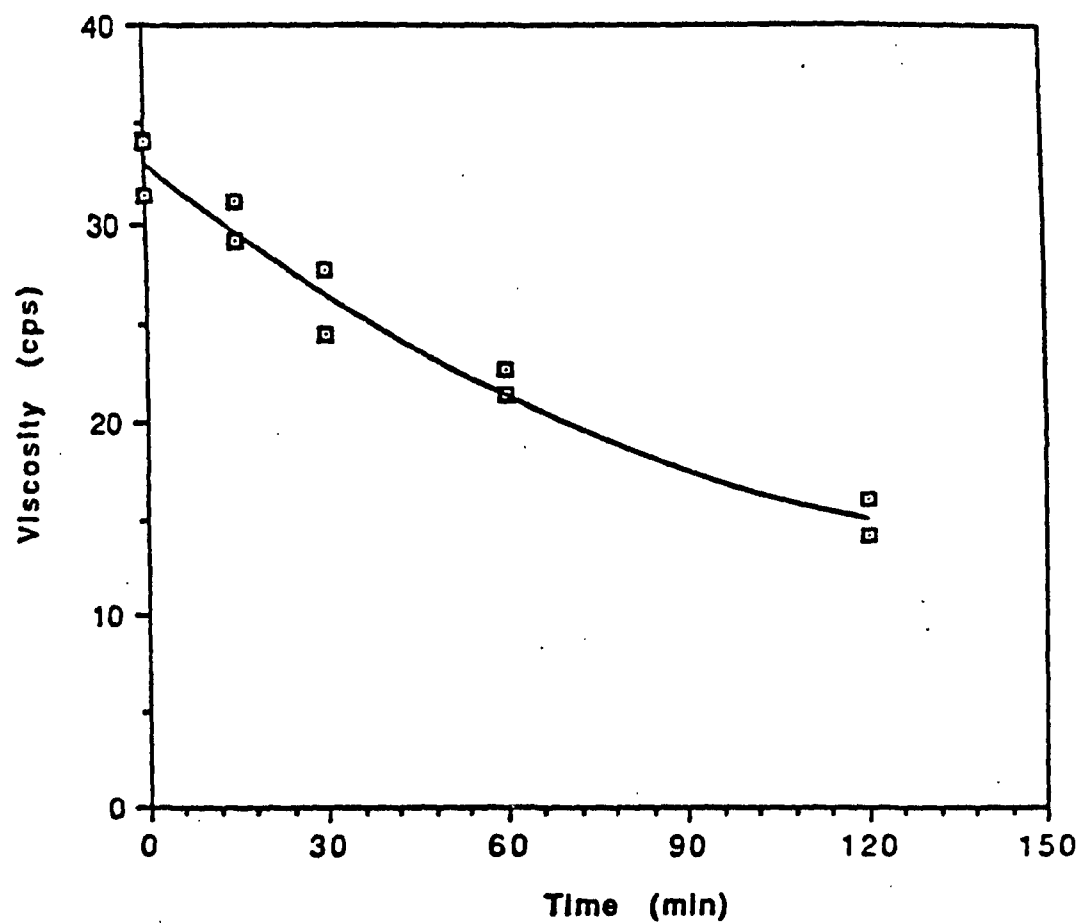
# Estimating Chain Cleavage

- Degree of Polymerization from Carbonilation and Gel Phase Chromatography
- Viscosity Measurements





Crystalline (LODP-NaBH<sub>4</sub>) Cellulose Degradation Reactions  
150°C; 1M NaOH

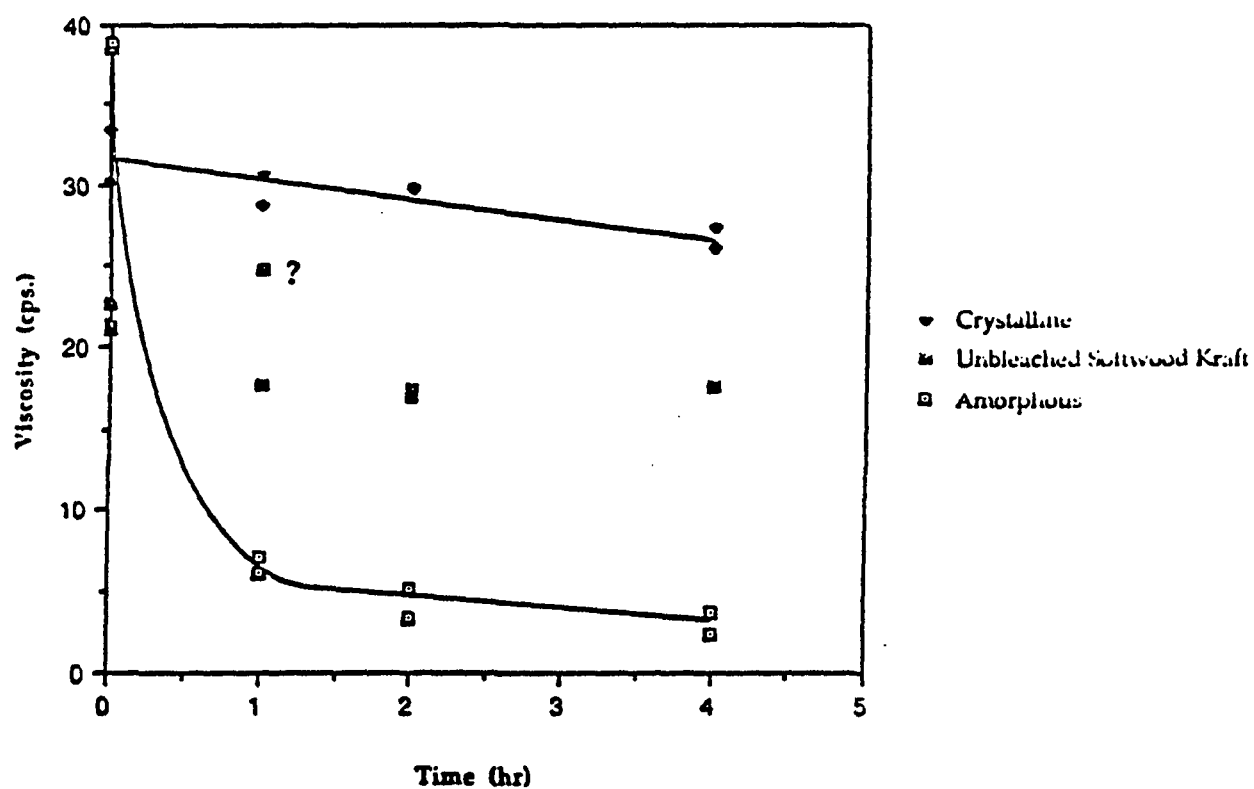


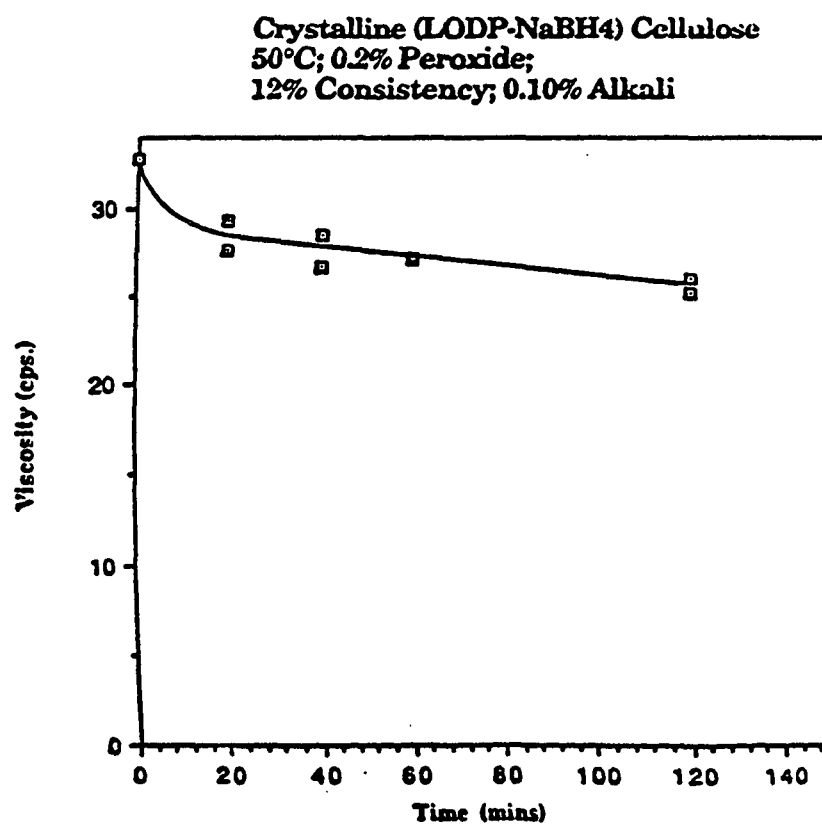
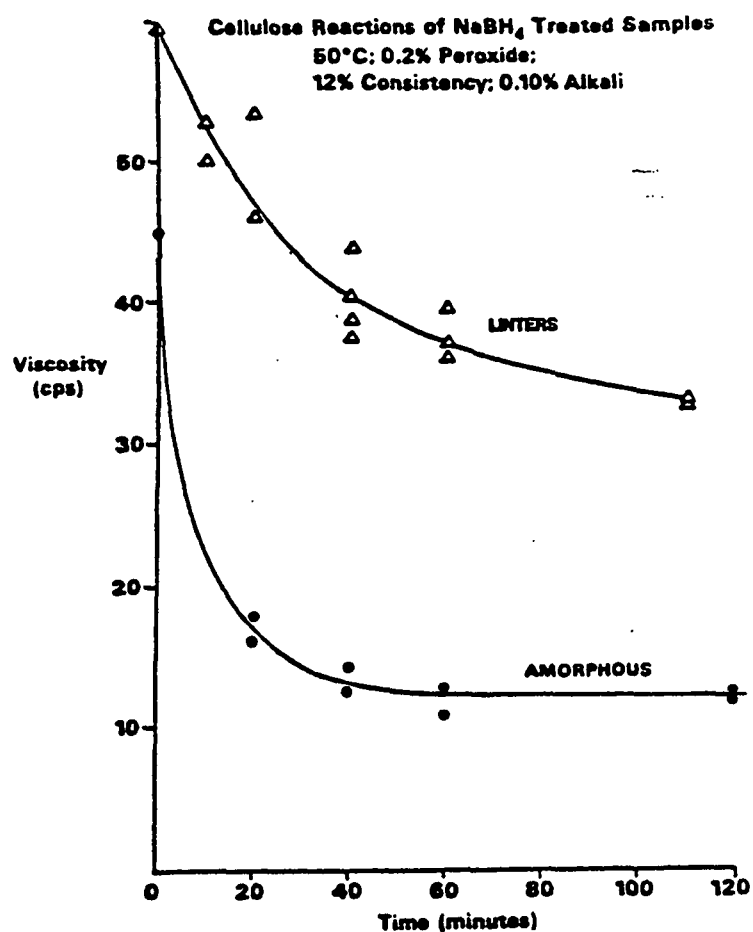
## AQ Chain Cleavage Effects

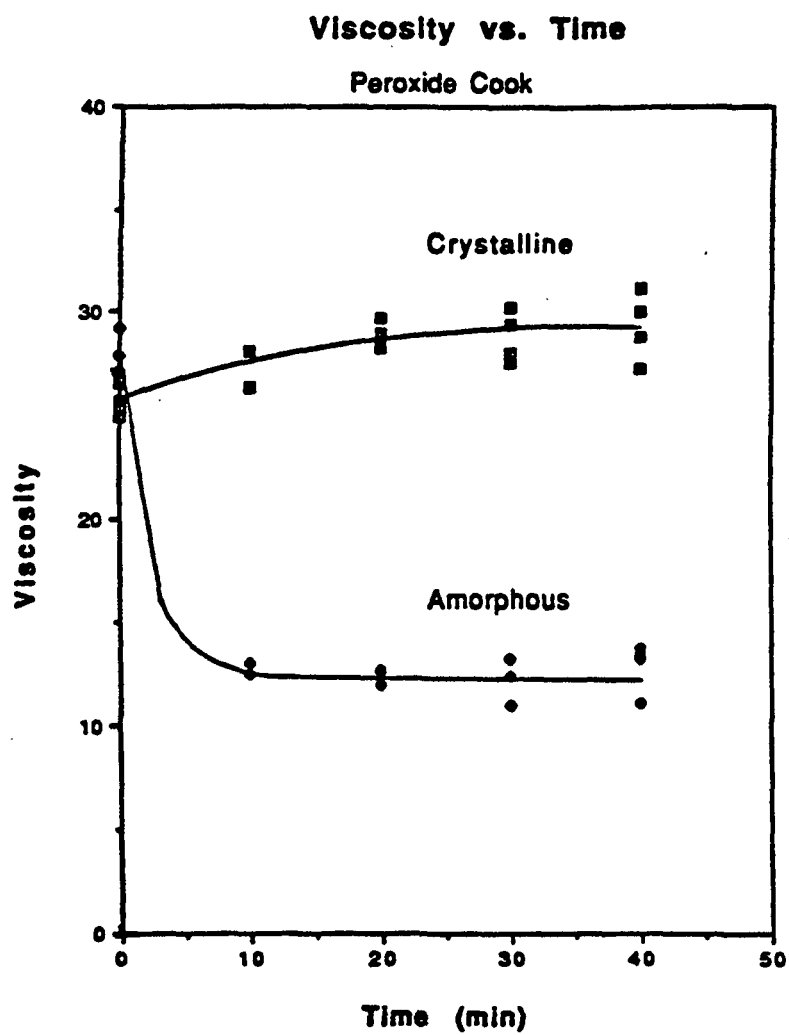
- Very Pronounced with Soluble Carbohydrates
- Minor with Either Crystalline or Amorphous Cellulose

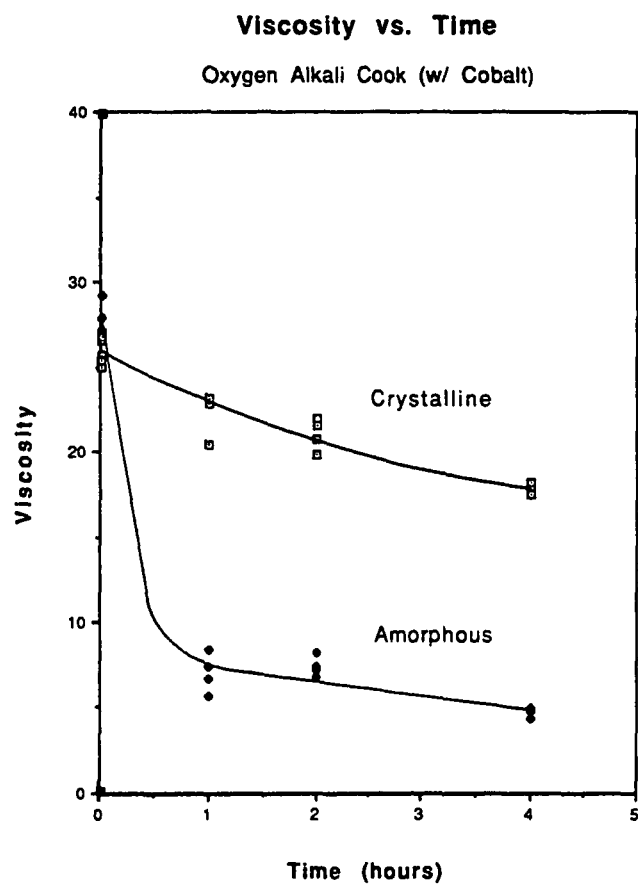
Low tear strength of AQ pulps probably reflects greater Hemicellulose content more than shorter Cellulose fiber length.

Cellulose, Oxygen, 0.1M NaOH  
100°C, 0.323  $\mu$  moles Co/100mg sample









## Summary

- **Physical Effects Have Pronounced Effects on Reactivity:**

**Soluble > Amorphous > Crystalline**

- **Amorphous Cellulose Reactions Are Sensitive Indicators of Pulp Degradation Reactions**



***PROJECT 3684***

***MECHANISMS OF DIOXIN FORMATION IN PULP PRODUCTIVITY.  
PART I: PRECURSOR FORMATION AND REACTIVITY  
(API/NCASI FUNDED)***

***April 2, 1991***

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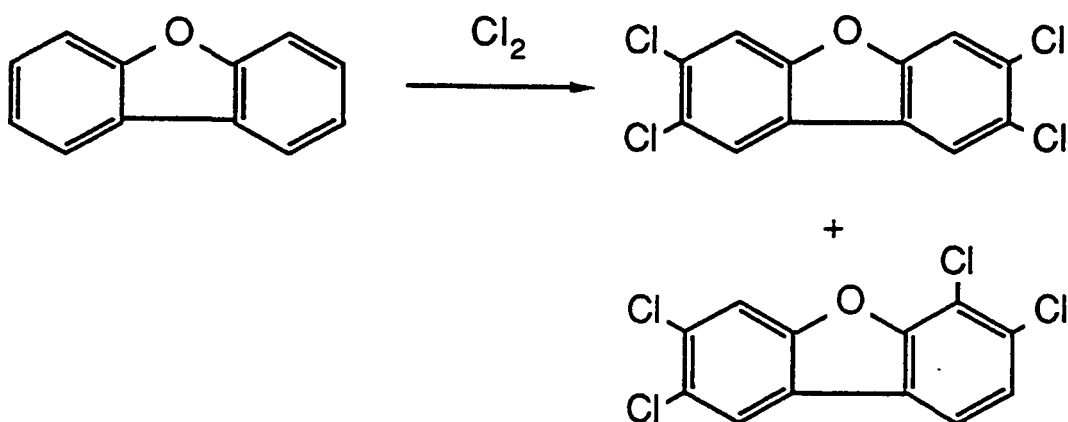
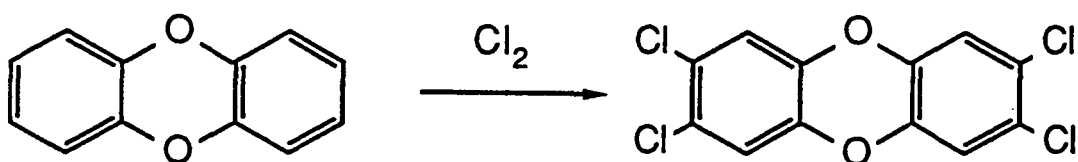
Project 3684

Mechanisms of Dioxin Formation in Pulp Production  
Part 1: Precursor Formation and Reactivity

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Sponsored by API / NCASI

### Chlorinated Dioxin and Furan Formation



PROJECT 3684

PART I

OBJECTIVES

1. Determine the reagent(s) that are the most reactive with the precursors. *(to act as inhibitors)*
2. Determine the relative reactivity of the reagent(s) for the precursors and for pulp components.

### Reagents

1. Nitrogen dioxide
2. Nitric acid
3. Sulfuric acid
4. Ozone
5. Peroxide
6. Oxygen / UV

## Methods

- DBD/F Reactions with Electrophilic Reagents
  - spiked cotton linters
  - ppm levels of DBD/F
  - excess reagent
- Sample Preparation
  - soxhlet extract linters
  - liquid-liquid extract aqueous solutions
  - rotoevaporate extracts
- Analyses
  - GC/FID quantitation
  - GC/MS identification of major products

## Reactions of DBD/F on Linters with Nitrogen Dioxide<sup>1,2</sup>

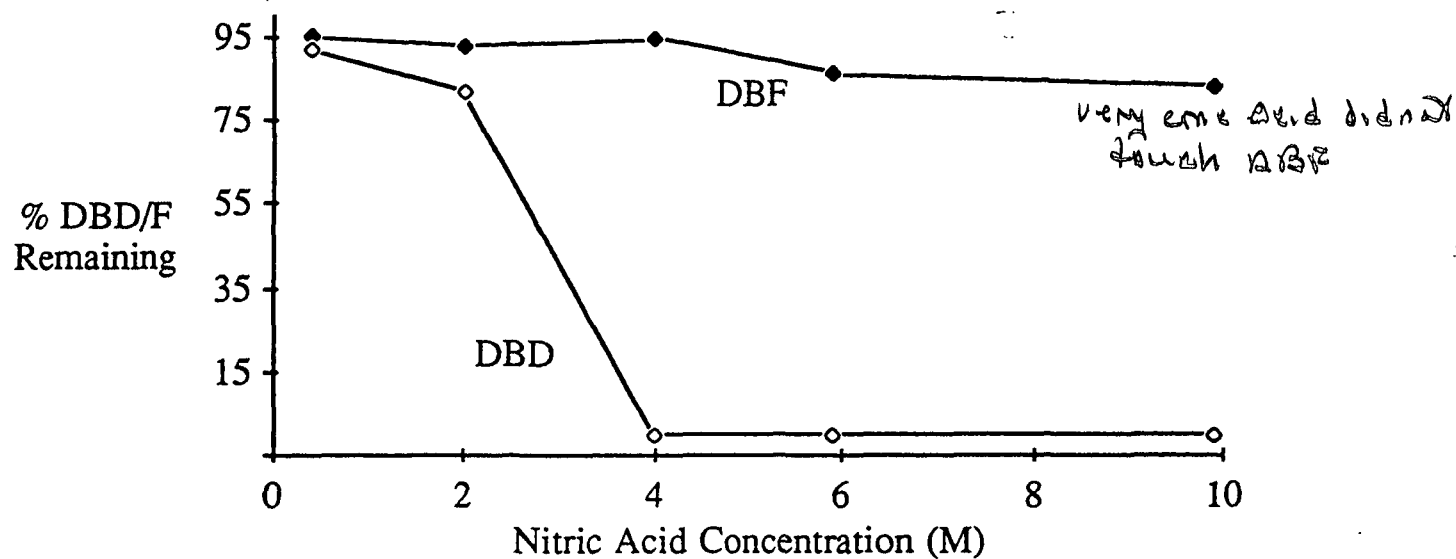
|         |     | ppm<br>before<br><u>NO<sub>2</sub></u> | ppm<br>after<br><u>NO<sub>2</sub></u> | ✓<br>%<br><u>reacted</u> |
|---------|-----|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 10 min. | DBF | 37                                     | 24                                    | 33                       |
|         | DBD | 58                                     | ≤ 1                                   | ≥ 99                     |
| 40 min. | DBF | 37                                     | 32                                    | 13 - 47                  |
|         | DBD | 58                                     | ≤ 1                                   | ≥ 99                     |

<sup>1</sup> Conditions: 2% NO<sub>2</sub> charge to air dried linters; (1000:1 molar ratio of NO<sub>2</sub> to total DBD/F)

<sup>2</sup> Mononitrated and dinitrated DBD detected; mononitrated DBF detected.

*The precursors were undergoing oxidation reactions - chains were broken so that it could not form*

# Reactions of DBD and DBF in Solution with Nitric Acid



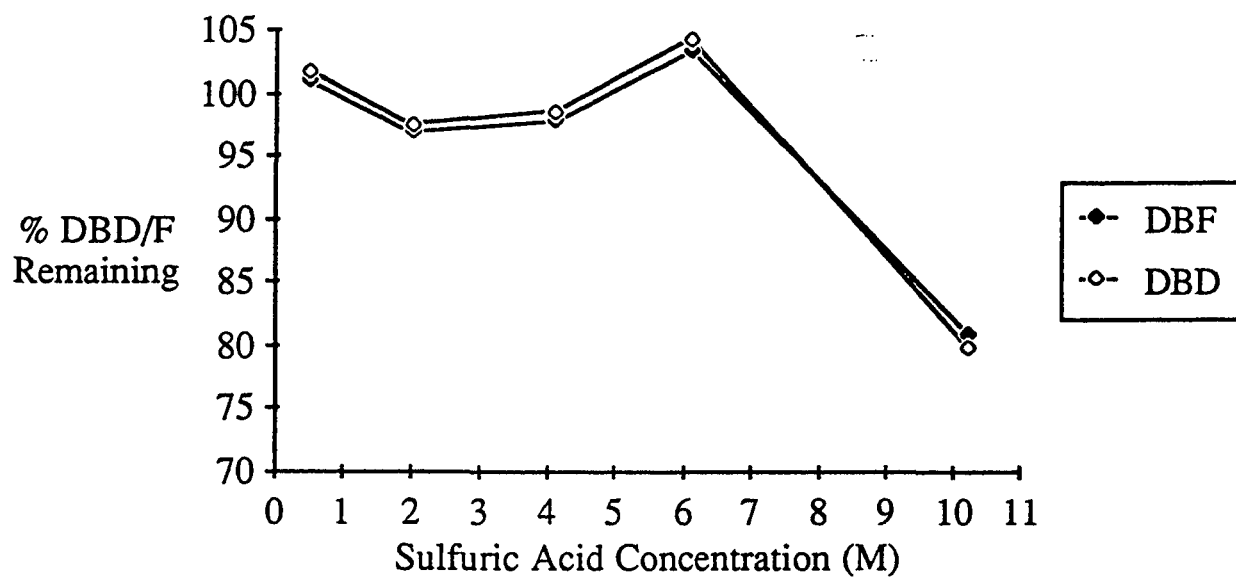
Reactions of DBD/F on Linters with Nitric Acid<sup>1,2</sup>

|        |     | ppm<br>before<br><u>nitric acid</u> | ppm<br>after<br><u>nitric acid</u> | %<br><u>reacted</u> |
|--------|-----|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Exp. 1 | DBF | 26                                  | 29                                 | 0                   |
|        | DBD | 28                                  | ND                                 | 100                 |
| Exp. 2 | DBF | 26                                  | 27                                 | 0                   |
|        | DBD | 28                                  | <1                                 | > 99                |
| Exp. 3 | DBF | 26                                  | 33                                 | 0                   |
|        | DBD | 28                                  | ND                                 | 100                 |

<sup>1</sup> Conditions: 9 % consistency; 1 hr. reaction time; 4 M HNO<sub>3</sub>  
(130,000 to 1 HNO<sub>3</sub> to DBD/F molar ratio)

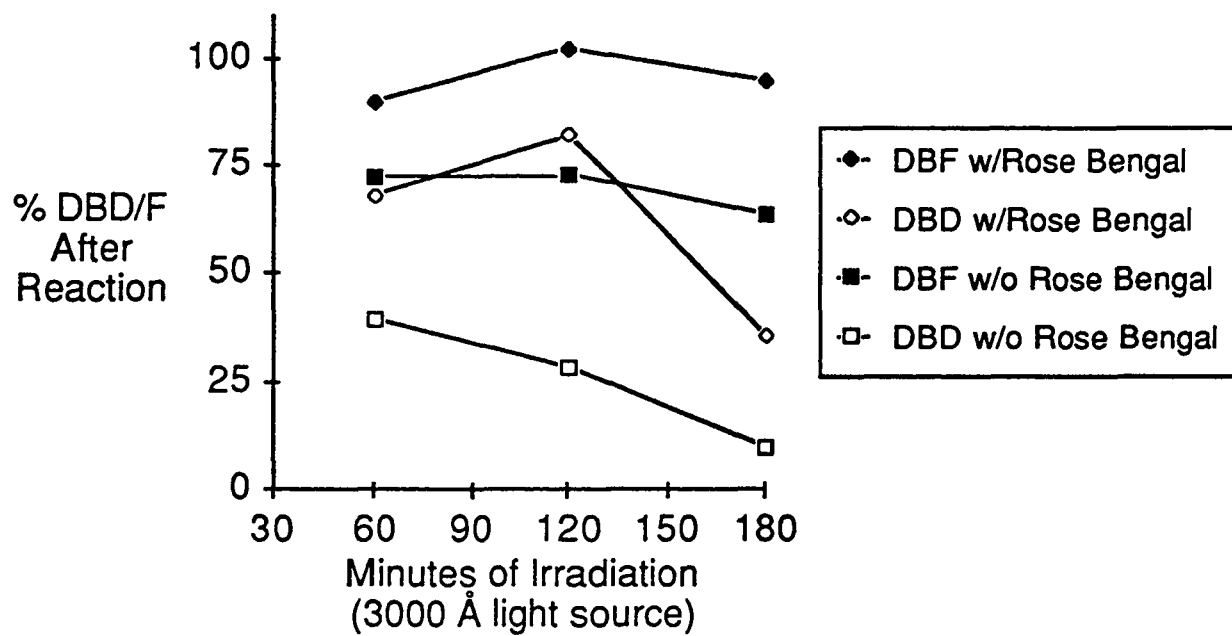
<sup>2</sup> Mononitrated DBD detected.

# Reactions of DBD and DBF in Solution with Sulfuric Acid



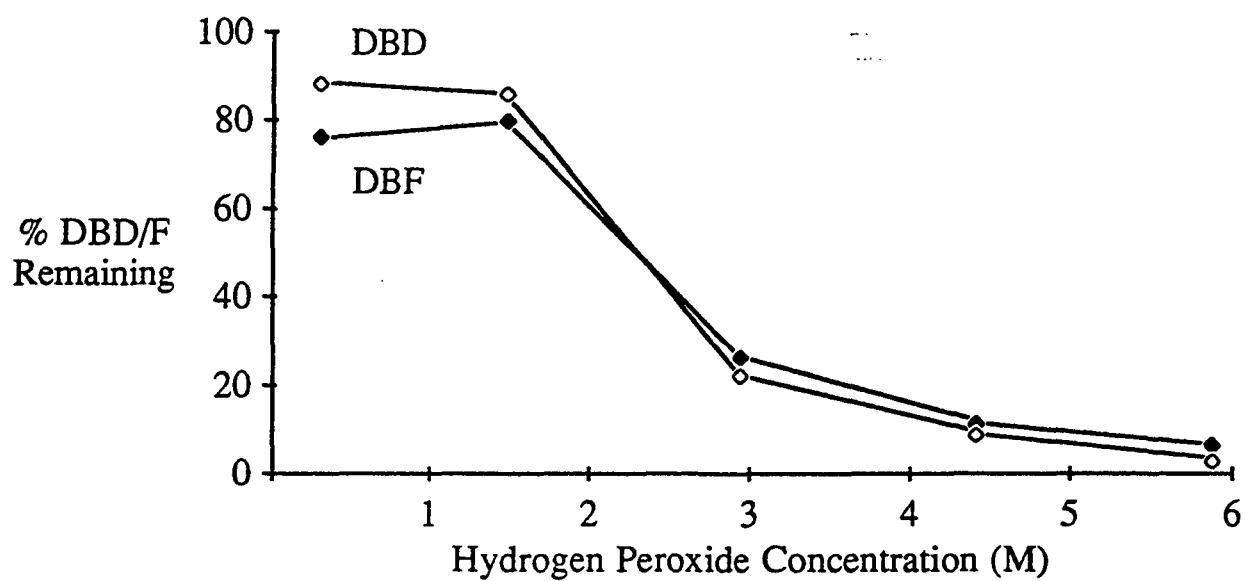
similar reaction with DBP & DBP but not significant

## Reactions of DBD and DBF in Solution Under O<sub>2</sub>/UV



Apparation seemed inhibited with Rose B. which is  
a sensitive? confusing

# Reactions of DBD and DBF in Solution with Peroxide



DBD/F reacts in solution, without pulp present,  
with  $H_2O_2$

## Reactions of DBD and DBF on Linters with Hydrogen Peroxide<sup>1</sup>

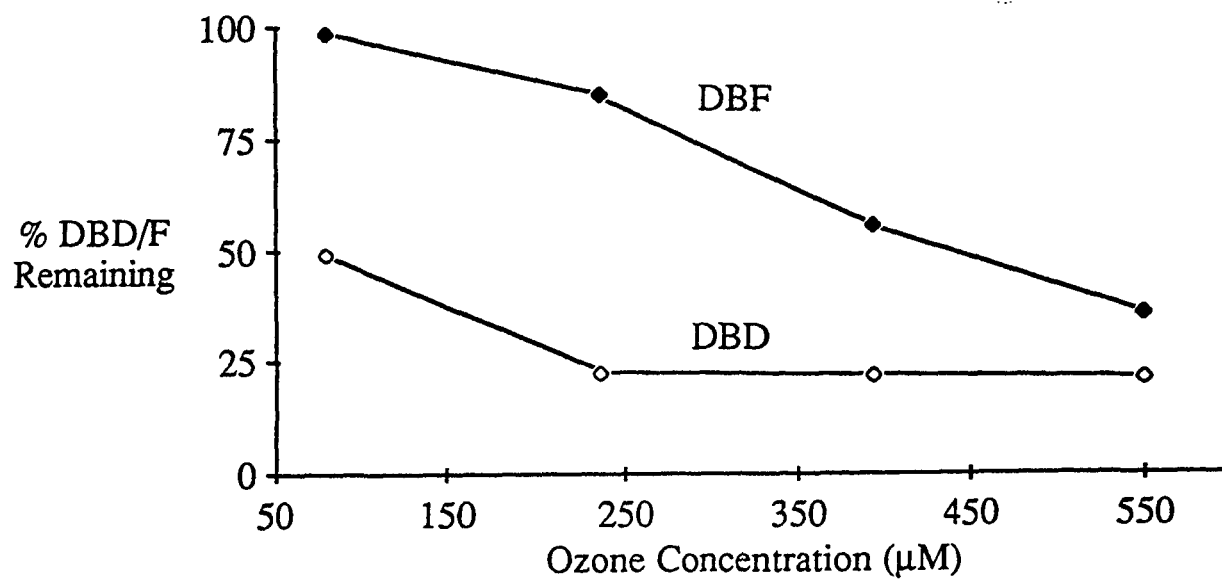
|        | ppm<br>before<br><u>peroxide</u> | ppm<br>after<br><u>peroxide</u> | % DBD/F<br><u>reacted</u> |
|--------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Exp. 1 |                                  |                                 |                           |
| DBF    | 18                               | 18                              | 0                         |
| DBD    | 19                               | 19                              | 0                         |
| Exp. 2 |                                  |                                 |                           |
| DBF    | 18                               | 20                              | 0                         |
| DBD    | 19                               | 19                              | 0                         |

<sup>1</sup> Conditions: 17% consistency; 5.9 M H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>; 1 hour reaction time; unbuffered solution.

*Reactivity is reduced in absorbed phase*

*H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> does not attack DBD/F in presence of pulp.*

# Reactions of DBD/F in Solution with Ozone



Even with low conc of ozone reduced both

pH was not measured

done in ionized water - not neutral pH

later work showed increasing degradation  
with lower pH =

## Reactions of DBD/F on Linters with Ozone<sup>1</sup>

Σ

|        |     | ppm<br>before<br><u>ozonation</u> | ppm<br>after<br><u>ozonation</u> | %<br><u>reacted</u> |
|--------|-----|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Blank  | DBF | -                                 | 0.7 <sup>2</sup>                 | -                   |
|        | DBD | -                                 | 0.8                              | -                   |
| Exp. 1 | DBF | 8.2                               | 1.0                              | ≥ 88                |
|        | DBD | 10.3                              | 0.9                              | ≥ 92                |
| Exp. 2 | DBF | 8.2                               | 1.0                              | ≥ 88                |
|        | DBD | 10.3                              | 0.9                              | ≥ 92                |

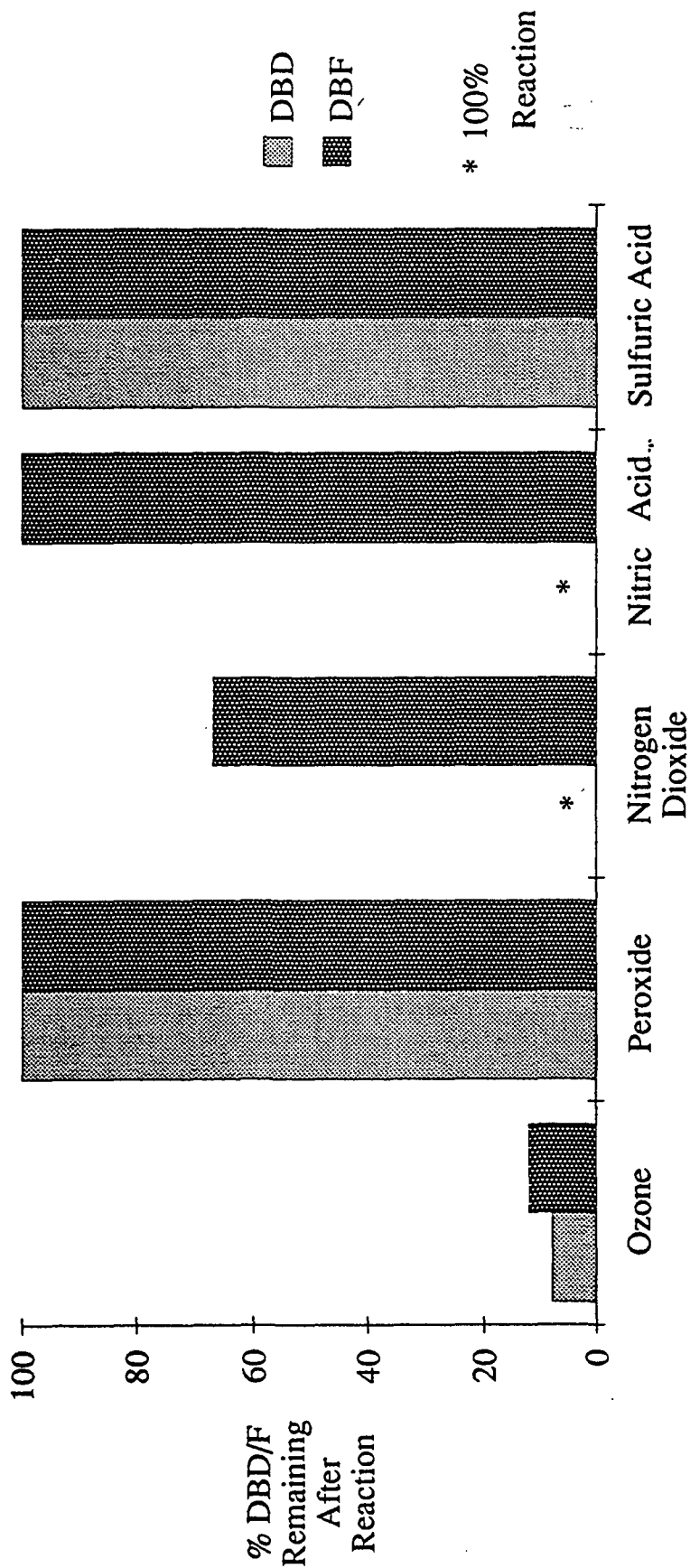
1 Conditions: 2 % consistency; 500μM O<sub>3</sub>; 15 min. reaction time.

2 GC Retention time slightly different - maximum possible concentration; near detection limits.

*nearly all of both were highly degraded.*

*DBD/F in absorbed phase is more reactive than solution phase.*

Reactions of Adsorbed DBD and DBF



Ozone is most effective

## CONCLUSIONS

- ✓ \* Lower concentrations of ozone were required to degrade DBD and DBF in solution and on linters than were required for other reagents.
- \* Peroxide degraded DBD and DBF in solution, but did not react with the precursors in the presence of linters.
- \* Dissolved precursors were degraded by O<sub>2</sub>/UV after long reaction times, probably via direct photolysis.
- \* Nitrogen dioxide reacted with adsorbed DBD and DBF more than nitric acid, sulfuric acid and hydrogen peroxide.
- \* Oxidation reactions occurred more than substitution reactions when DBD and DBF were reacted with nitrogen dioxide and nitric acid.

## CURRENT AND FUTURE WORK

- \* Application of ozone to unbleached pulp spiked with DBD and DBF. *is in presence in lignin*
- \* Optimization of ozone reaction conditions and analytical procedures.
- \* ✓ Clarification of the role of peroxide in precursor degradation.

*Sulfidation of DBF*

*effect on ROX*

*cell decay -*



***PROJECT 3685***

***MECHANISMS OF DIOXIN FORMATION IN PULP PRODUCTION  
PART II: CHLORINATION AND DIOXIN REACTIONS  
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### **MECHANISMS OF DIOXIN FORMATION IN PULP PRODUCTION PART II: CHLORINATION AND DIOXIN REACTIONS**

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### **MECHANISMS OF DIOXIN FORMATION IN PULP PRODUCTION PART II: CHLORINATION AND DIOXIN REACTIONS**

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The proposed research will develop a fundamental understanding of chemistry which leads to dioxins in bleached pulp, the reactions of dioxins with selected bleaching reagents, and ways to chlorinate pulps without dioxin production.

### **MECHANISMS OF DIOXIN FORMATION IN PULP PRODUCTION PART II: CHLORINATION AND DIOXIN REACTIONS**

#### **AREAS OF STUDY**

- define the relative importance of DBD/F dioxin precursors
- determine reaction rates for chlorination of DBD/F and lignin
- determine the reactivity of chlorine with functionalized precursors
- define conditions to selectively chlorinate lignin and not DBD/F
- destroy dioxins in partially bleached pulps

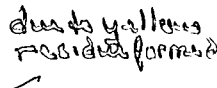
work was interrupted by work on Burt storm  
Began work in last 6 weeks

## PROJECT 3685 SUMMARY OF WORK

Chlorination conditions selected

Initial chlorination of controls and spiked linters

Poor recovery of labeled internal standards due to complex work up

Modification of sample work up to avoid the "yellow residue" 

Need to analyze liquid and solid phases

Second chlorination of controls and spiked, extracted linters

Good recovery of labeled internal standards with  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  work up

Found Conditions are appropriate for mono-, di-, tri-, and tetrachlorodioxins

Spike levels need to be higher

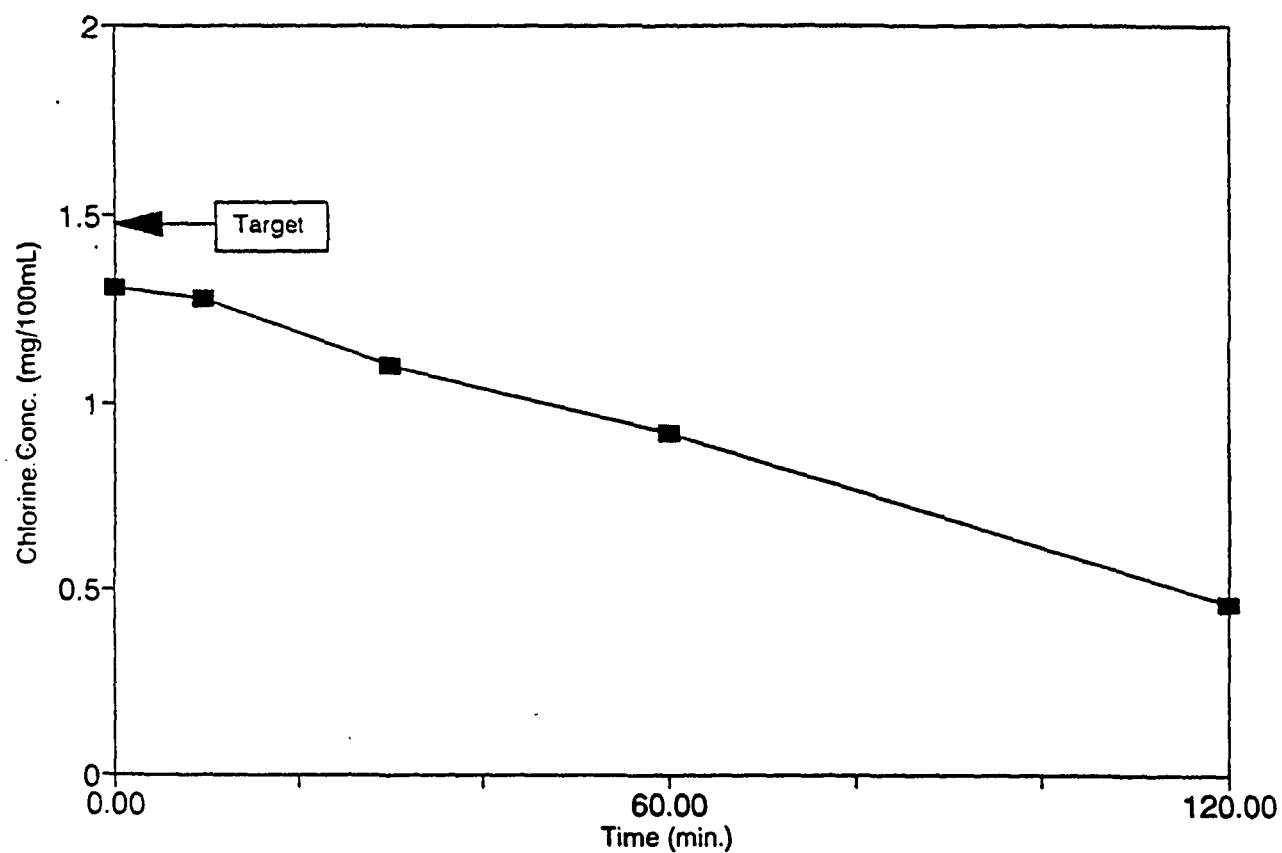


Figure 2. Chlorine Consumption  
(1% Linter @ pH 1.0)

TABLE 5. TOTAL RESULTS FOR ADDITIONAL CHLORINATION  
SAMPLES

| Analyte   | Concentration (ng/g linter) |                    |                  |
|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|           | 2 Hour<br>DBD/DBF Spike     | 2 Hour<br>Unspiked | Process<br>Blank |
| DBF       | 10                          | 10                 | 17               |
| DBD       | 0.009                       | 0.0025             | 0.84             |
| Mono-CDF  | 0.63                        | 0.24               | --               |
| Mono-CDD  | --                          | --                 | --               |
| Di-CDF    | 2.7                         | 1.3                | --               |
| Di-CDD    | --                          | --                 | --               |
| Tri-CDF   | 3.6                         | 1.3                | --               |
| Tri-CDD   | 0.15                        | --                 | --               |
| Tetra-CDF | 0.16                        | 0.024              | --               |
| Tetra-CDD | 0.080                       | --                 | --               |

TABLE 1. EXPERIMENTAL PLAN

| Experi-<br>ment<br>Number | Substrate                                | Reaction        | Observation                                                                                        | Information                                                                                 | Experimental<br>Variables<br>(Number to<br>be Tested) | Number<br>of<br>Samples<br>Generated | Number of Samples for Analysis |                                     |                      |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
|                           |                                          |                 |                                                                                                    |                                                                                             |                                                       |                                      | DBD/DBF                        | Mono-<br>through<br>tetra-<br>CDD/F | Lign<br>Mo-<br>Compo |
| 0                         | (A)DBD/DBF<br>spiked<br>linters          | Cl <sub>2</sub> | DBD/F-Cl <sub>x</sub><br>yield with<br>time<br><br>TCDD/F isomer<br>distribution                   | Spike level<br><br>Experimental<br>precision                                                | Spike level<br>(4)                                    | 13                                   | 13                             | 13                                  | -                    |
| 1                         | (A)DBD/F<br>spiked<br>linters            | Cl <sub>2</sub> | Reaction rate<br><br>DBD/F-Cl <sub>x</sub> yield<br>with time<br><br>TCDD/F isomer<br>distribution | Rate law, E <sub>a</sub><br><br>Reaction course<br><br>Cl <sub>2</sub> -ation pattern       | Time(5)<br>Temp.(3)                                   | 32                                   | 25                             | 25                                  | -                    |
| 2                         | (B)DBD/F-<br>free or<br>bleached<br>pulp | Cl <sub>2</sub> | DBD/F-Cl <sub>x</sub> yield<br><br>TCDD/F isomer<br>distribution                                   | Reaction course<br><br>Dioxin source<br><br>Cl <sub>2</sub> -ation pattern<br>dioxin source | Time(5)                                               | 12                                   | 9                              | 9                                   | -                    |

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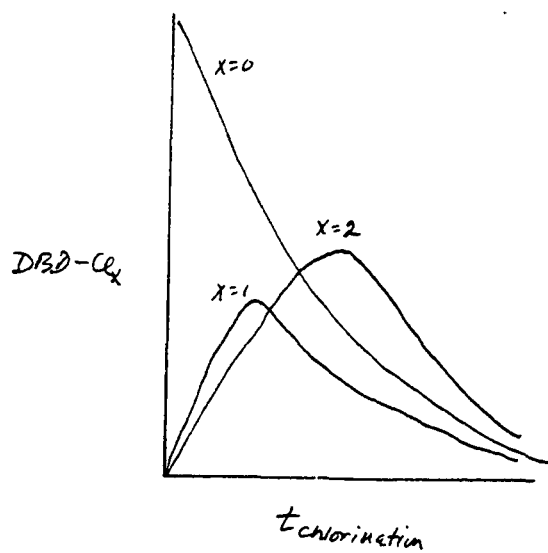
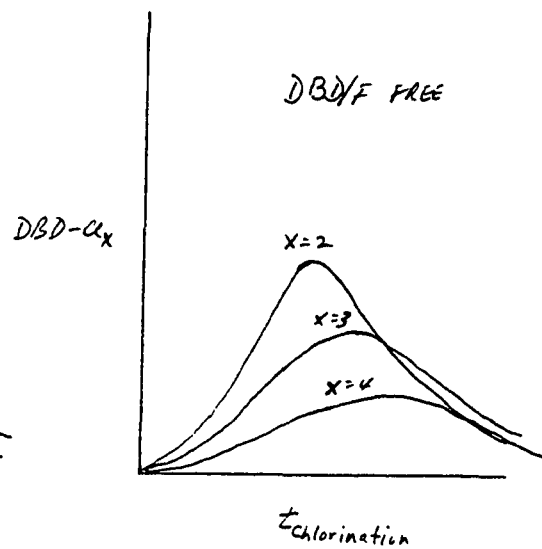
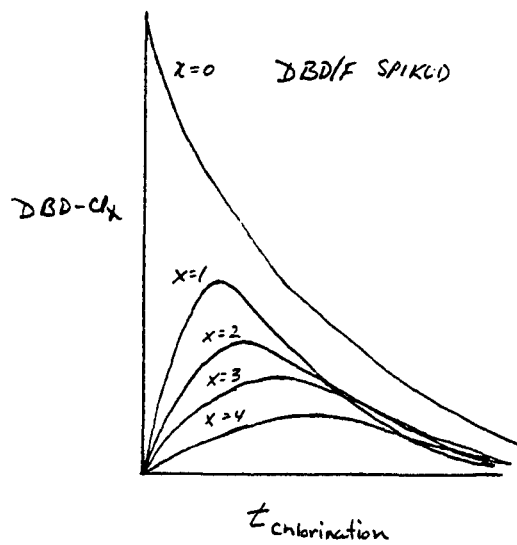


TABLE 1. EXPERIMENTAL PLAN (cont'd)

| Experiment<br>Number | Substrate                               | Reaction                          | Observation    | Information             | Experimental<br>Variables<br>(Number to<br>be Tested)                         | Number<br>of<br>Samples<br>Generated | Number of Samples for Analysis |                                      |                        |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
|                      |                                         |                                   |                |                         |                                                                               |                                      | DBD/DBF                        | Mono-<br>through-<br>tetra-<br>CDD/F | Lign-<br>Mode<br>Compo |
| 3                    | (C)Lignin<br>model<br>spiked<br>linters | Cl <sub>2</sub>                   | Reaction rate  | Rate law, Ea            | Time(5)                                                                       | 12                                   | 9                              | 9                                    |                        |
| 4                    | (A) + (C)                               | Cl <sub>2</sub>                   | Relative rates | Selectivity             | --                                                                            | 3                                    | 3                              | 3                                    |                        |
| 5                    | (A) + (C)                               | Cl <sub>2</sub> /ClO <sub>2</sub> | Relative rates | Selectivity             | --                                                                            | 3                                    | 3                              | 3                                    |                        |
| 6                    | (A)                                     | NO <sub>2</sub>                   | Reaction rate  | Precursor<br>reactivity | Experiments 6 and 7 to be conducted by Institute of<br>Science and Technology |                                      |                                |                                      |                        |
|                      | (A)                                     | O <sub>2</sub>                    | Reaction rate  | Precursor<br>reactivity |                                                                               |                                      |                                |                                      |                        |

TABLE 1. EXPERIMENTAL PLAN (cont'd)

| Experiment Number | Substrate                   | Reaction                           | Observation       | Information                 | Experimental Variables (Number to be Tested) | Number of Samples Generated | Number of Samples for Analysis |                          |                       |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
|                   |                             |                                    |                   |                             |                                              |                             | DBD/DBF                        | Mono-through tetra-CDD/F | Lignin Model Compound |
| 8                 | (A)-NO <sub>2</sub> product | Cl <sub>2</sub>                    | TCDD/F production | Modified precursor activity | --                                           | 3                           | --                             | 3                        | -                     |
| 9                 | (A)-O <sub>2</sub> product  | Cl <sub>2</sub>                    | TCDD/F production | Modified precursor activity | --                                           | 3                           | --                             | 3                        | -                     |
| 10                | Unbleached pulp             | NO <sub>2</sub> + Cl <sub>2</sub>  | TCDD/F production | Possible control measure    | --                                           | 3                           | --                             | 3                        | -                     |
| 11                | Unbleached pulp             | O <sub>2</sub> and Cl <sub>2</sub> | TCDD/F production | Possible control measure    | --                                           | 3                           | --                             | 3                        | -                     |
| 12                | Bleached pulp               | O <sub>3</sub>                     | Dioxin decrease   | Possible control measure    | --                                           | 2                           | --                             | 2                        | -                     |
|                   |                             | H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>      | Dioxin decrease   | Possible control measure    | --                                           | 2                           | --                             | 2                        | -                     |
|                   |                             | O <sub>2</sub>                     | Dioxin decrease   | Possible control measure    | --                                           | 3                           | --                             | 3                        | -                     |

**IMMEDIATE FUTURE ACTIVIES**  
**(Dioxin Precursors)**

**Time profile run for the chlorination of DBD/F spiked linters giving  
mono-, di-, tri-, and tetrachlorodioxins**

**Time profile run for the chlorination of DBD/F-free pulp giving  
mono-, di-, tri-, and tetrachlorodioxins**

***PROJECT 3474***

***ENVIRONMENTALLY COMPATIBLE PRODUCTION  
OF BLEACHED PULP***

***PART 1: FACTORS AFFECTING FORMATION OF PCDD/F  
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**PROJECT 3474**  
**ENVIRONMENTALLY COMPATIBLE**  
**PRODUCTION OF BLEACHED PULP**

**Part 1:    Minimization of Organochlorine**  
**Part 2:    Pretreatments for Oxygen Bleaching**

***FACTORS AFFECTING  
FORMATION OF PCDD/PCDF IN  
KRAFT PULP BLEACHING***

- \* Effect of Chlorine Dioxide on Precursors*
- \* Mixing Effects*
- \* Effects of Chlorination Stage Variables*

TABLE 1. DIOXIN FORMATION IN (CDC) SEQUENCE

| STAGE<br>2<br>CL <sub>2</sub> /<br>KAPPA | STAGE<br>3<br>CL <sub>2</sub> /<br>KAPPA | STAGES<br>1+3<br>CHLORINE<br>FACTOR | STAGE<br>3<br>EXIT<br>pH | 2378<br>TCDD | 2378<br>TCDF | 1278<br>TCDF |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0.00                                     | 0.00                                     | 0.12                                | 1.6                      | 0.3          | 1.7          | 1.5          |
| 0.08                                     | 0.00                                     | 0.12                                | 1.5                      | 0.3          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| 0.00                                     | 0.06                                     | 0.18                                | 1.4                      | 0.8          | 3.5          | 2.8          |
| 0.08                                     | 0.06                                     | 0.18                                | 1.4                      | 0.6          | 3.1          | 2.9          |
| 0.00                                     | 0.08                                     | 0.20                                | 1.4                      | 1.0          | 8.7          | 6.8          |
| 0.08                                     | 0.08                                     | 0.20                                | 1.3                      | 13.9         | 50.3         | 24.6         |
| 0.00                                     | 0.12                                     | 0.24                                | 1.4                      | 10.1         | 30.3         | 14.5         |
| 0.08                                     | 0.12                                     | 0.24                                | 1.4                      | 21.3         | 105.5        | 49.9         |
| 0.00                                     | 0.16                                     | 0.28                                | 1.3                      | 15.1         | 64.2         | 28.0         |
| 0.08                                     | 0.16                                     | 0.28                                | 1.2                      | 40.4         | 331.9        | 152.2        |

Note: Exit pH's For stages 1 and 2 were all in the range 1.4-1.5

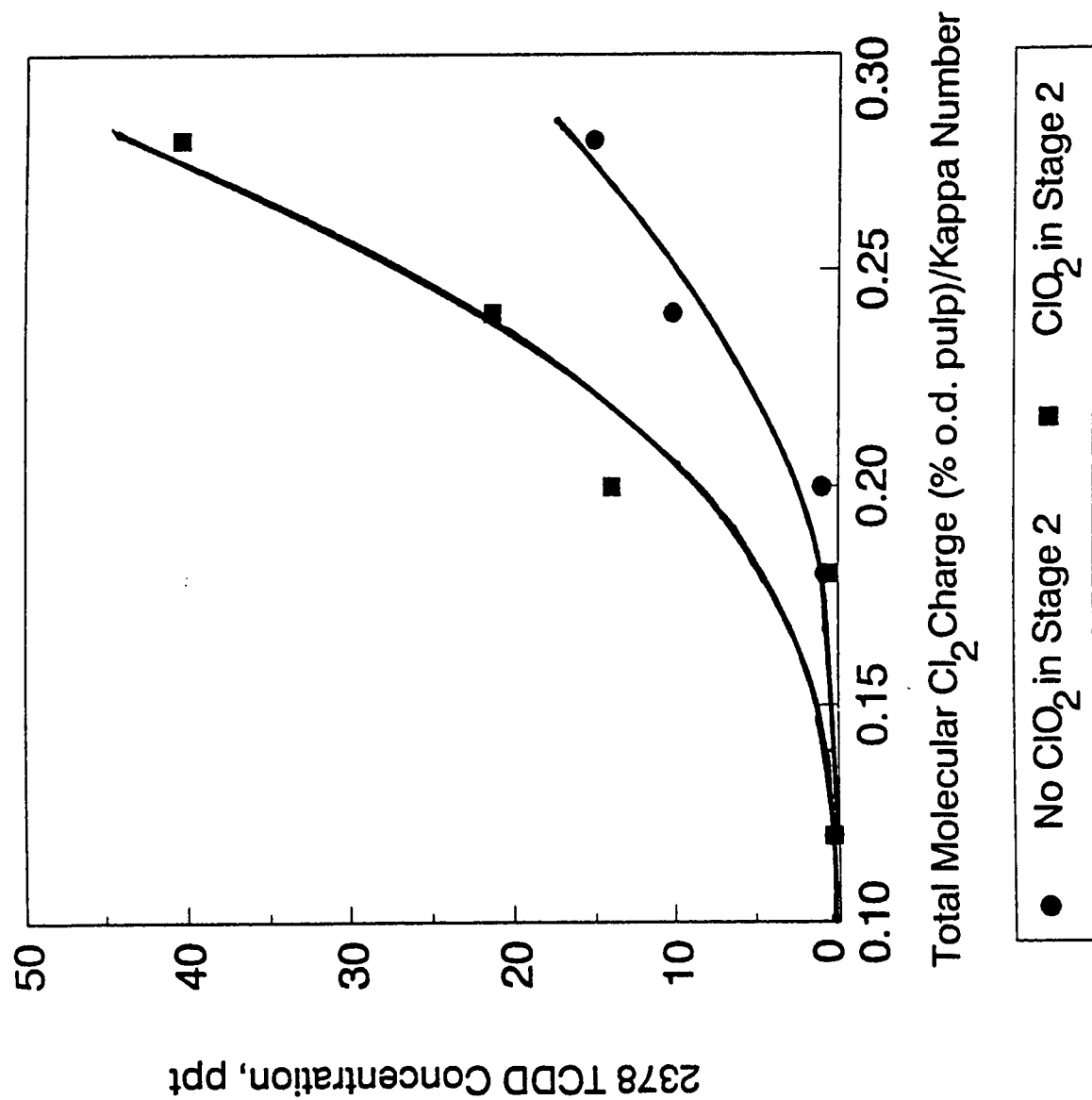


Figure 1: Formation of 2378-TCDD in CDC Sequence

*MIXING EFFECTS*

| MIXING<br>QUALITY | CONSIS-<br>TENCY | CE KAPPA<br>NUMBER | TOTAL<br>TCDD |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------|
|                   |                  |                    |               |
| GOOD              | 4                | 3.4                | 115           |
|                   |                  | 2.8                | 120           |
| POOR              |                  | 4.4                | 73            |
|                   |                  | 4.0                | 88            |
|                   |                  |                    |               |
| GOOD              | 6                | 3.4                | 132           |
|                   |                  | 3.0                | 126           |
| POOR              |                  | 4.7                | 86            |
|                   |                  | 4.1                | 89            |

$$D_{\text{mixed}} = D_{\text{av}}$$

$$D_{\text{unmixed}} = \frac{D_{\text{hi}} + D_{\text{lo}}}{2} > D_{\text{av}}$$

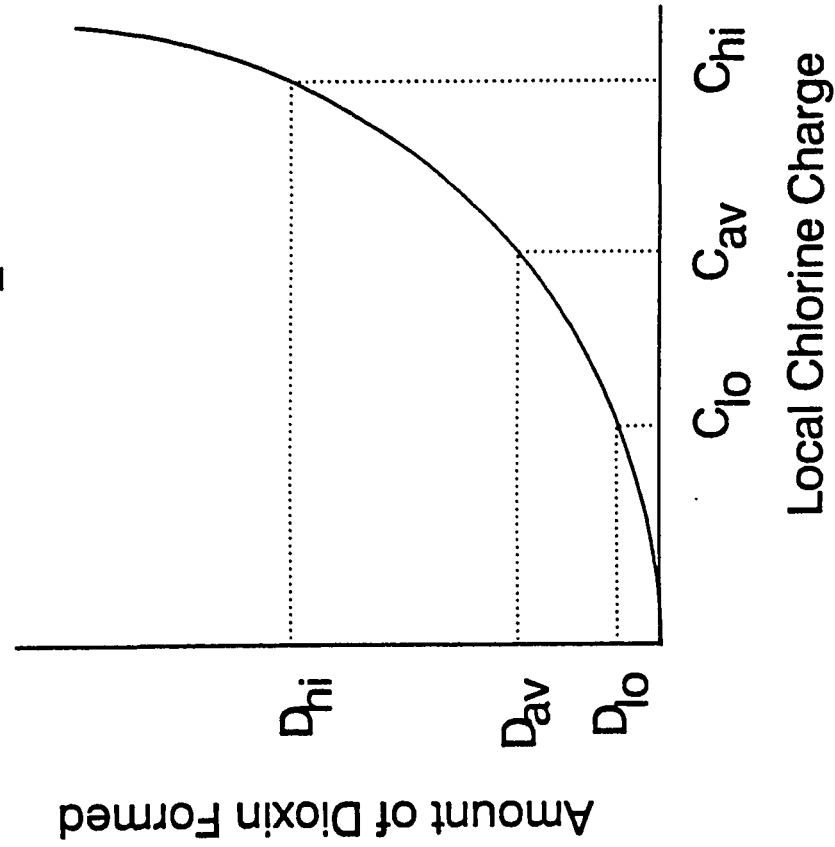
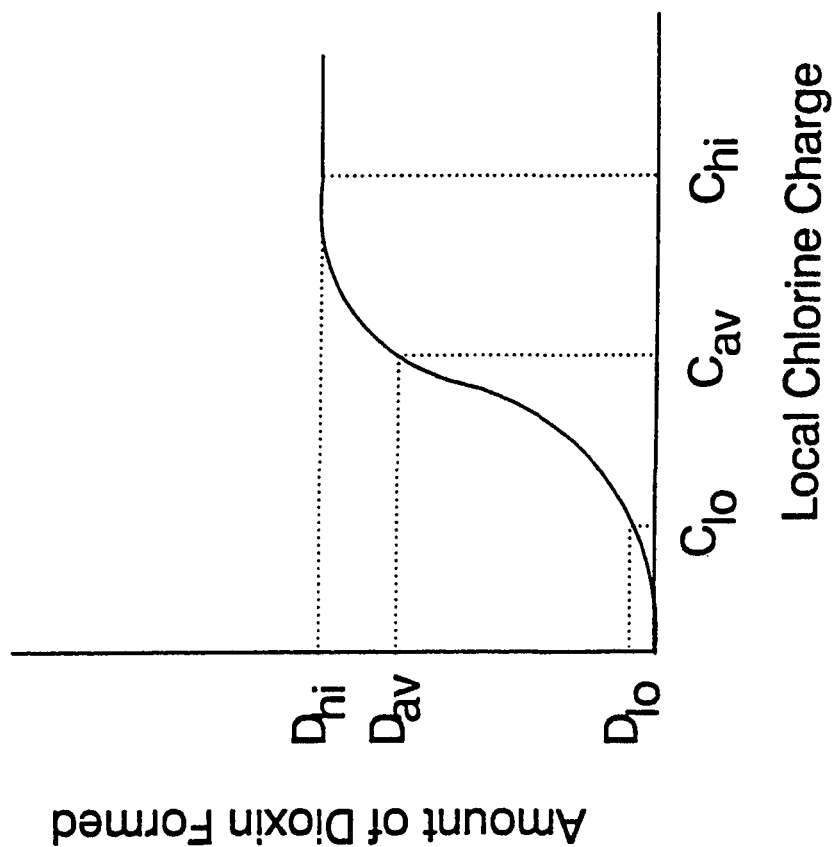


Figure 2a: Hypothetical dioxin - chlorine charge relationships and the corresponding predicted effects of poor mixing.

$$D_{\text{mixed}} = D_{\text{av}}$$

$$D_{\text{unmixed}} = \frac{D_{\text{hi}} + D_{\text{lo}}}{2} < D_{\text{av}}$$



**Figure 2b: Hypothetical dioxin - chlorine charge relationships and the corresponding predicted effects of poor mixing.**

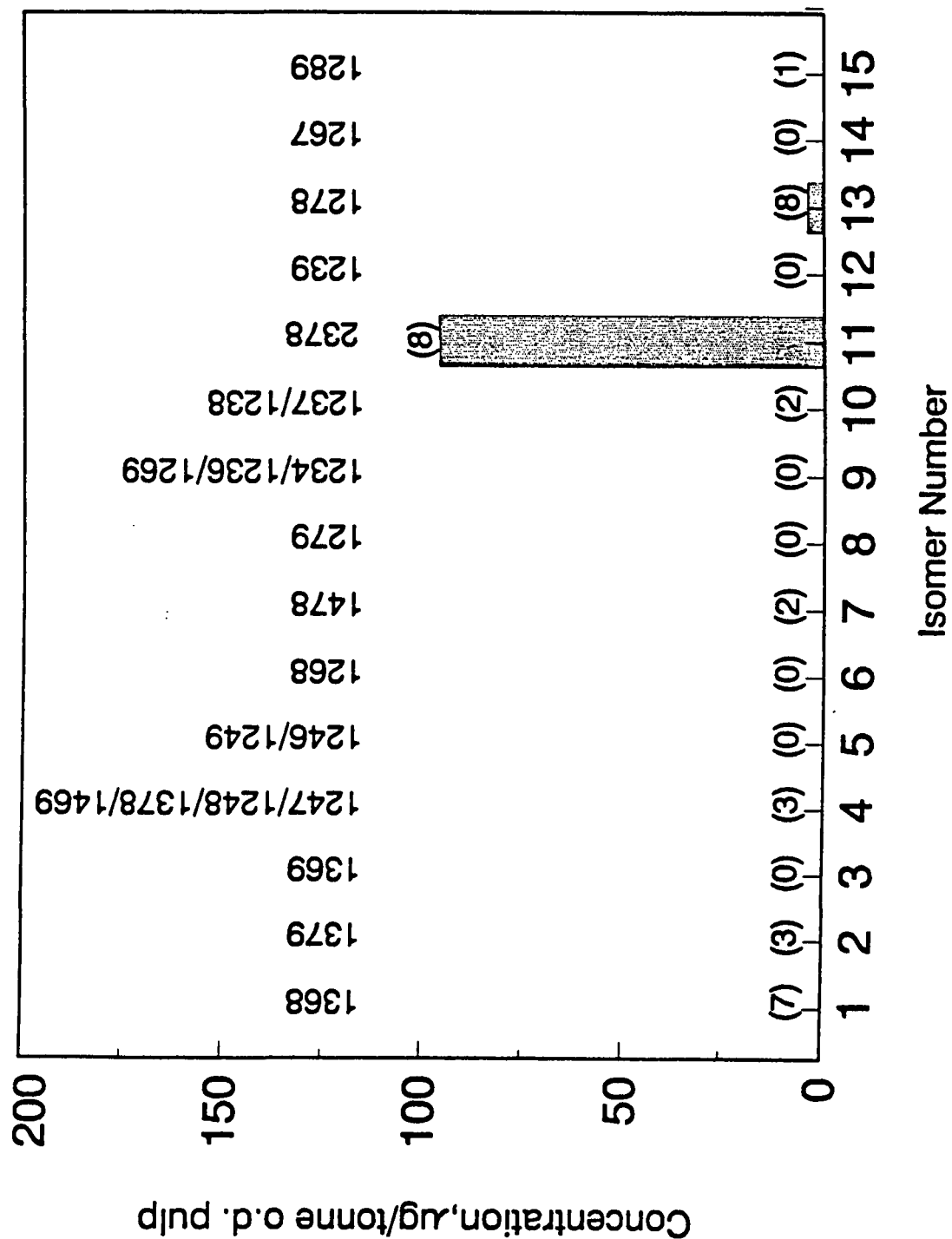


Figure 3: Average TCDD concentrations in chlorinated pulps of mixing study.  
 Averages less than 1 µg/tonne not shown. No. of samples (out of 8)  
 in which isomer was detected shown in parentheses.

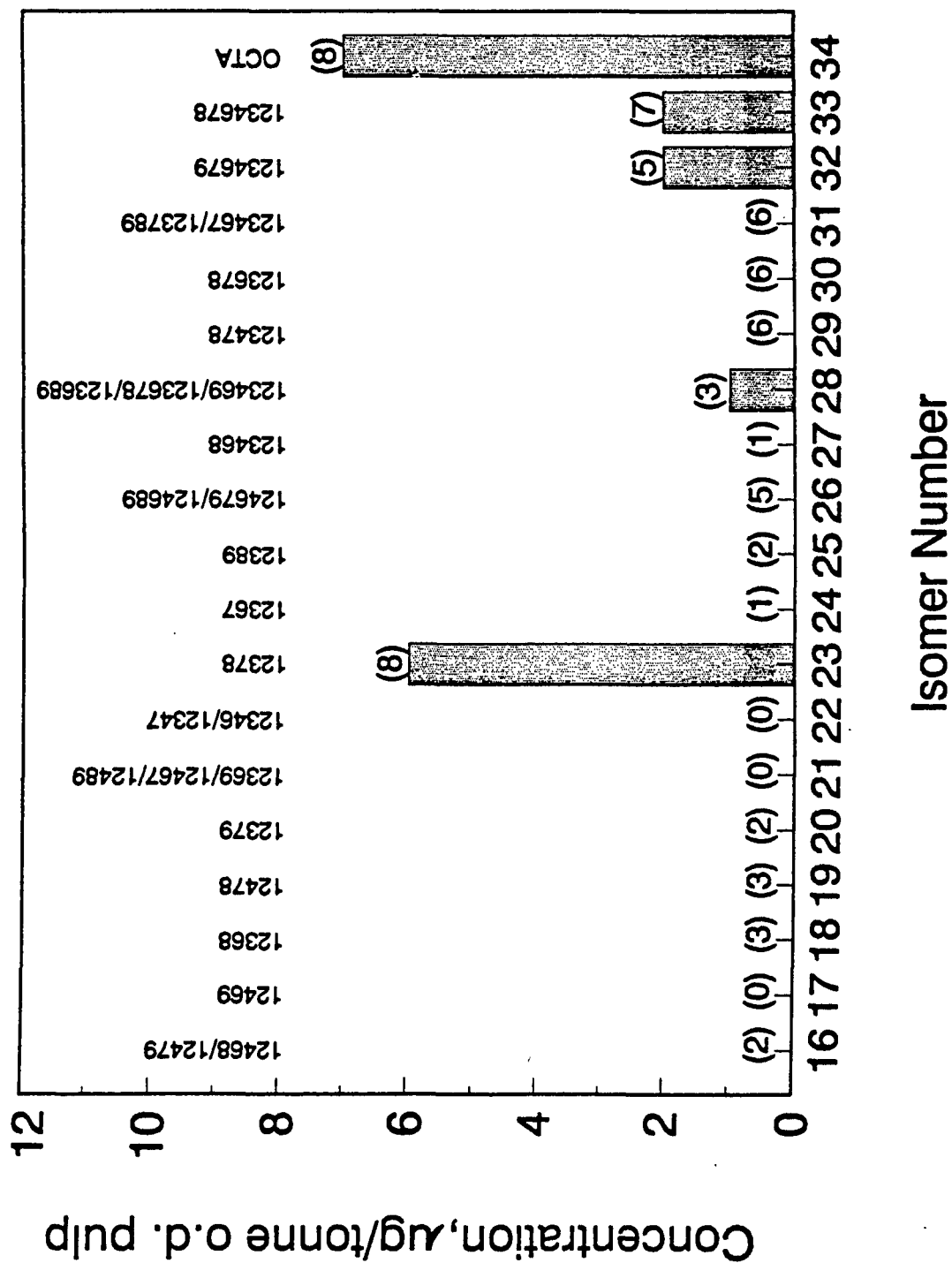


Figure 4: Average penta-, hexa-, hepta and octa-CDD concentrations in chlorinated pulps of mixing study. Averages less than 1 µg/tonne not shown. No. of samples (out of 8) in which isomer was detected shown in parentheses.

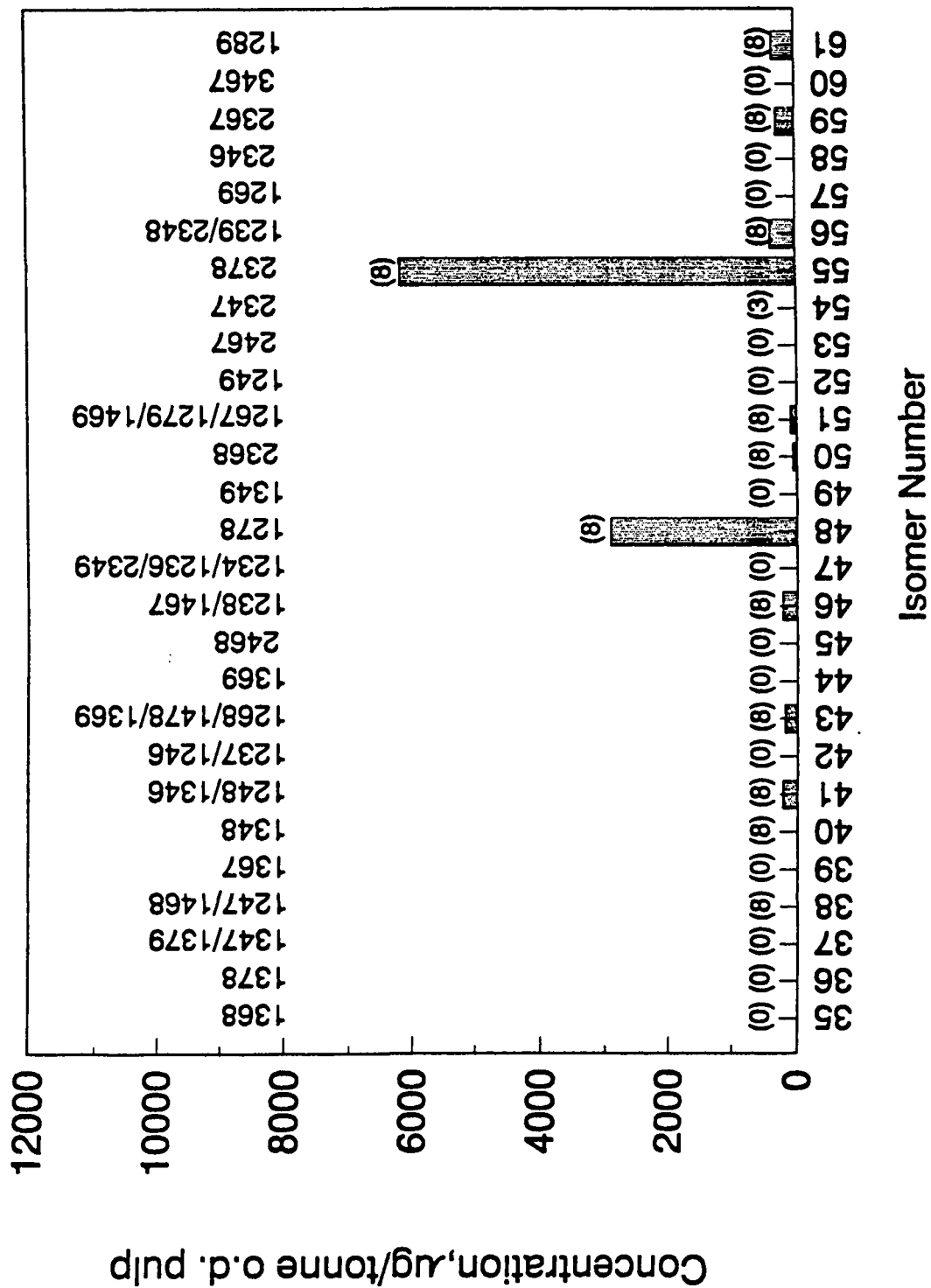


Figure 5: Average TCDF concentrations in chlorinated pulps of mixing study.  
Averages less than 50ug/tonne not shown. No. of samples (out of 8)  
in which isomer was detected shown in parentheses.

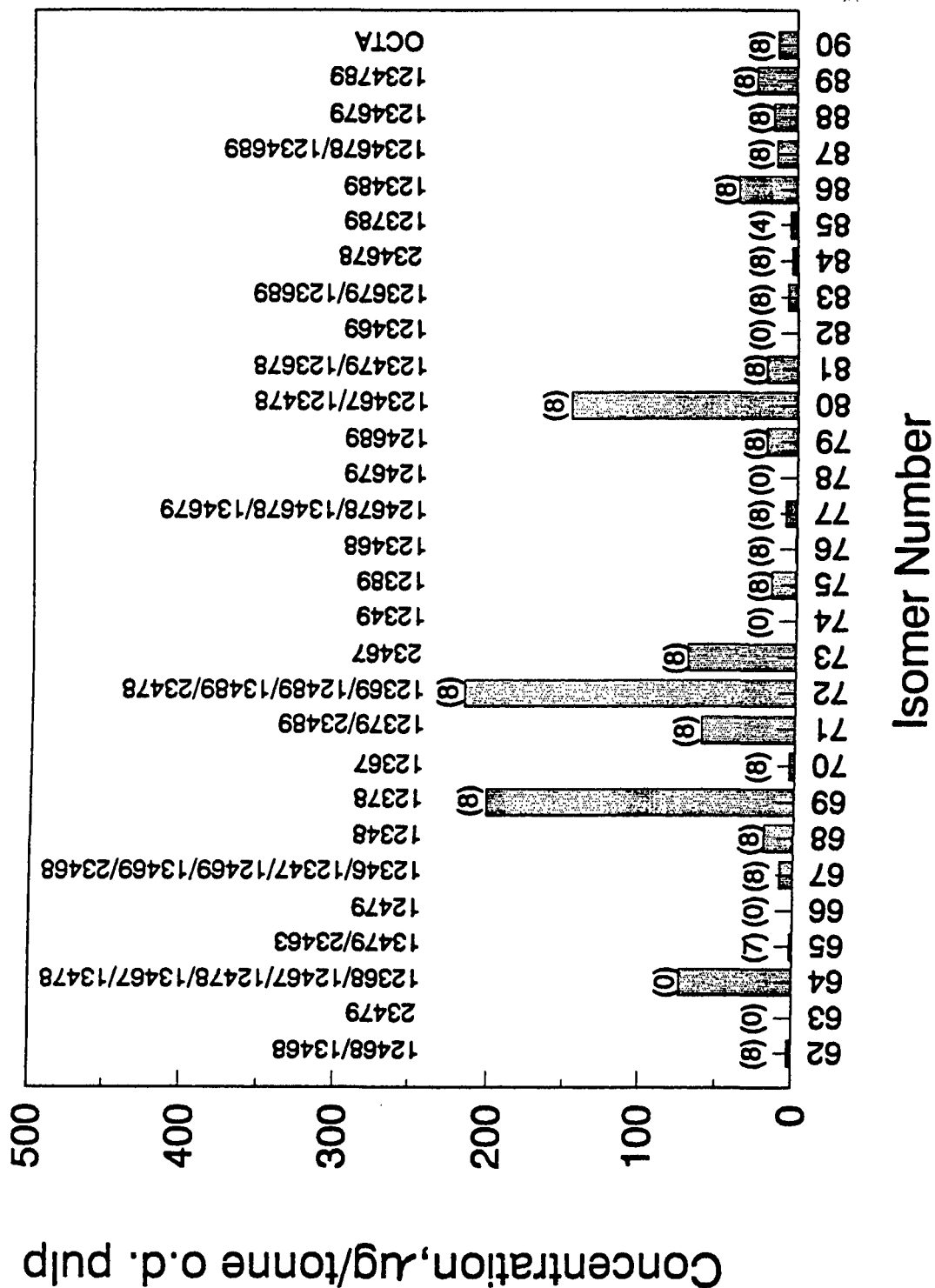


Figure 6: Average penta-, hexa-, hepta- and octa- CDF concentrations in chlorinated pulps of mixing study. Averages less than 1 ug/tonne not shown. No. of samples (out of 8) in which isomer was detected shown in parentheses.

TABLE 7A: C-STAGE FACTORIAL EXPERIMENT MEANS FOR SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS\*

| ISOMER         |      |    | ISOMER NO. | GRAND MEAN | TREATMENT MEANS        |                       |                      |     |             |            |     |
|----------------|------|----|------------|------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----|-------------|------------|-----|
|                |      |    |            |            | ClO <sub>2</sub> FIRST | Cl <sub>2</sub> FIRST | TEMPERATURE LOW HIGH |     | RECYCLE - + | OXYGEN - + |     |
| 2378           | TCDD | 11 | 1.8        | 2.5        | 1.1                    | 2.4                   | 1.2                  |     |             | 3.2        | 0.4 |
| 1248/1346      | OCDD | 34 | 5.6        | 5.1        | 6.2                    | 4.7                   | 6.5                  |     |             | 1.5        | 0.6 |
|                | TCDF | 41 | 1.1        |            |                        |                       |                      | 7.6 | 10.5        | 12.4       | 5.7 |
| 2468           | TCDF | 45 | 9.0        | 8.1        | 4.6                    |                       |                      |     |             | 9.9        | 2.8 |
| 1278           | TCDF | 48 | 6.3        |            |                        |                       |                      |     |             |            |     |
| 2368           | TCDF | 50 | 0.3        | 0.4        | 0.3                    |                       |                      |     |             | 0.5        | 0.2 |
| 1267/1279/1469 | TCDF | 51 | 0.2        | 0.3        | 0.1                    |                       |                      |     |             | 0.3        | 0.1 |
|                | TCDF | 54 | 0.3        |            |                        | 0.3                   | 0.2                  |     |             | 0.4        | 0.1 |
| 2378           | TCDF | 55 | 9.5        | 13.1       | 5.9                    | 12.6                  | 6.4                  |     |             | 16.1       | 2.9 |
| 1239/2348      | TCDF | 56 | 1.5        | 1.8        | 1.1                    | 2.0                   | 0.9                  |     |             | 2.6        | 0.4 |
| 2346           | TCDF | 58 | 0.2        | 0.2        | 0.1                    | 0.2                   | 0.1                  |     |             | 0.2        | 0.1 |
| 2367           | TCDF | 59 | 0.5        | 0.6        | 0.3                    | 0.6                   | 0.3                  |     |             | 0.8        | 0.2 |
| 1289           | TCDF | 61 | 1.8        | 2.4        | 1.3                    |                       |                      |     |             | 2.9        | 0.7 |

\* All treatment means shown represent effects that are statistically significant (=&gt;90% confidence)

TABLE 7B: C-STAGE FACTORIAL EXPERIMENT MEANS FOR SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS\*

|                               | ISOMER      | ISOMER NO. | GRAND MEAN | RECYCLE |     | OXYGEN |     |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|---------|-----|--------|-----|
|                               |             |            |            | -       | +   | -      | +   |
| 12368/12467/12478/13467/13478 | 12468/13468 | 62         | 0.8        | 0.6     | 0.9 | 1.0    | 0.5 |
|                               |             |            |            |         |     | 2.1    | 0.8 |
| 12346/12347/12469/13469/23468 | 12378       | 67         | 0.8        | 0.7     | 1.0 | 1.2    | 0.4 |
|                               |             |            |            | 2.7     | 4.3 | 5.1    | 1.8 |
| 12369/12489/13489/23478       | 12379/23489 | 71         | 0.9        |         |     | 1.3    | 0.5 |
|                               |             |            |            |         |     | 1.7    | 0.7 |
| 23467                         | 23467       | 73         | 2.1        | 1.6     | 2.5 | 3.0    | 1.2 |

\* All treatment means shown represent effects that are statistically significant ( $\geq 90\%$  confidence)

TABLE 7C: C-STAGE FACTORIAL EXPERIMENT MEANS FOR SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS\*

|               | ISOMER        | ISOMER<br>NO. | GRAND<br>MEAN | TEMPERATURE |      | RECYCLE |     | OXYGEN |     |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|------|---------|-----|--------|-----|
|               |               |               |               | LOW         | HIGH | -       | +   | -      | +   |
| 124678/134678 | 123468        | HxCDF         | 76            | 0.6         | 0.4  | 0.2     | 0.2 | 0.3    | 0.1 |
|               | 134679        | HxCDF         | 77            |             |      |         |     | 0.7    | 0.3 |
|               | 124689        | HxCDF         | 79            | 1.4         | 0.9  |         |     | 1.4    | 0.8 |
|               | 123467/123478 | HxCDF         | 80            | 9.3         | 5.6  |         |     | 9.5    | 5.4 |
|               | 123479/123678 | HxCDF         | 81            | 1.2         | 0.8  |         |     | 1.4    | 0.7 |
| 123679/123689 | 123679/123689 | HxCDF         | 83            |             |      | 0.3     | 0.4 | 0.4    | 0.2 |
|               | 123789        | HxCDF         | 85            | 0.3         | 0.2  | 0.2     | 0.3 | 0.3    | 0.2 |
|               | 123489        | HxCDF         | 86            | 2.5         | 1.6  |         |     | 2.7    | 1.4 |
|               | 1234789       | HpCDF         | 89            | 2.0         | 1.3  |         |     |        |     |

\* All treatment means shown represent effects that are statistically significant ( $\geq 90\%$  confidence)

TABLE 7D: C-STAGE FACTORIAL EXPERIMENT MEANS FOR SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS\*

| ISOMER      | GRAND<br>MEAN | TREATMENT MEANS           |                          |                   |                |               |      |
|-------------|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|------|
|             |               | ClO <sub>2</sub><br>FIRST | Cl <sub>2</sub><br>FIRST | TEMP.<br>LOW HIGH | RECYCLE<br>- + | OXYGEN<br>- + |      |
| TOTAL TCDD  | 2.0           | 2.7                       | 1.3                      | 2.6 1.4           |                |               |      |
| TOTAL TCDF  | 30.6          | 36.7                      | 24.5                     | 35.1 26.1         |                | 47.5          | 13.7 |
| TOTAL PeCDF | 10.9          |                           |                          |                   | 8.8 13.1       | 15.8          | 6.1  |
| TOTAL HxCDF | 12.9          |                           |                          |                   |                |               |      |
| TOTAL HpCDF | 4.0           |                           |                          |                   |                |               |      |
| OCDF        | 1.3           |                           |                          | 15.8 9.9          |                | 16.6          | 9.1  |

\* All treatment means shown represent effects that are statistically significant (=>90% confidence)

**CONCLUSIONS:**  
**CHLORINE DIOXIDE AND PRECURSORS**

- \* Chlorine dioxide does not readily destroy dioxin precursors in kraft pulp.*

**CONCLUSIONS:  
MIXING EFFECTS**

- \* *At kappa factor 0.25, improved mixing improved delignification, but did not decrease dioxins.*
- \* *It is therefore likely that the rate of formation of dioxins levels off sharply as the chlorine concentration is increased beyond the range of exponential increase*

**CONCLUSIONS:**  
**EFFECTS OF CHLORINATION STAGE VARIABLES**

- \* Oxygen bleaching sharply reduces formation of all dioxin and furan congeners.*
- \* Adding chlorine before chlorine dioxide significantly reduces formation of TCDD and TCDF.*
- \* Increasing chlorination stage temperature decreases the formation of 2378-TCDD and 2378-TCDF.*
- \* Effects of black liquor carryover and chlorination stage filtrate recycle are smaller than the above effects.*

***PROJECT 3474***

***ENVIRONMENTALLY COMPATIBLE PRODUCTION***

***OF BLEACHED PULP***

***PART 2: EFFECTS OF MIXING AND CONSISTENCY ON  
AOX FORMATION DURING SOFTWOOD KRAFT PULP CHLORINATION***

***April 2, 1991***

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**EFFECTS OF**  
**MIXING AND CONSISTENCY ON AOX FORMATION**  
**DURING**  
**SOFTWOOD KRAFT PULP CHLORINATION**

- **Define Mixing Conditions**
- **Effect of Mixing and Consistency on AOX Formation**
- **Effect of Chlorine Charge and Mixing on AOX Formation**

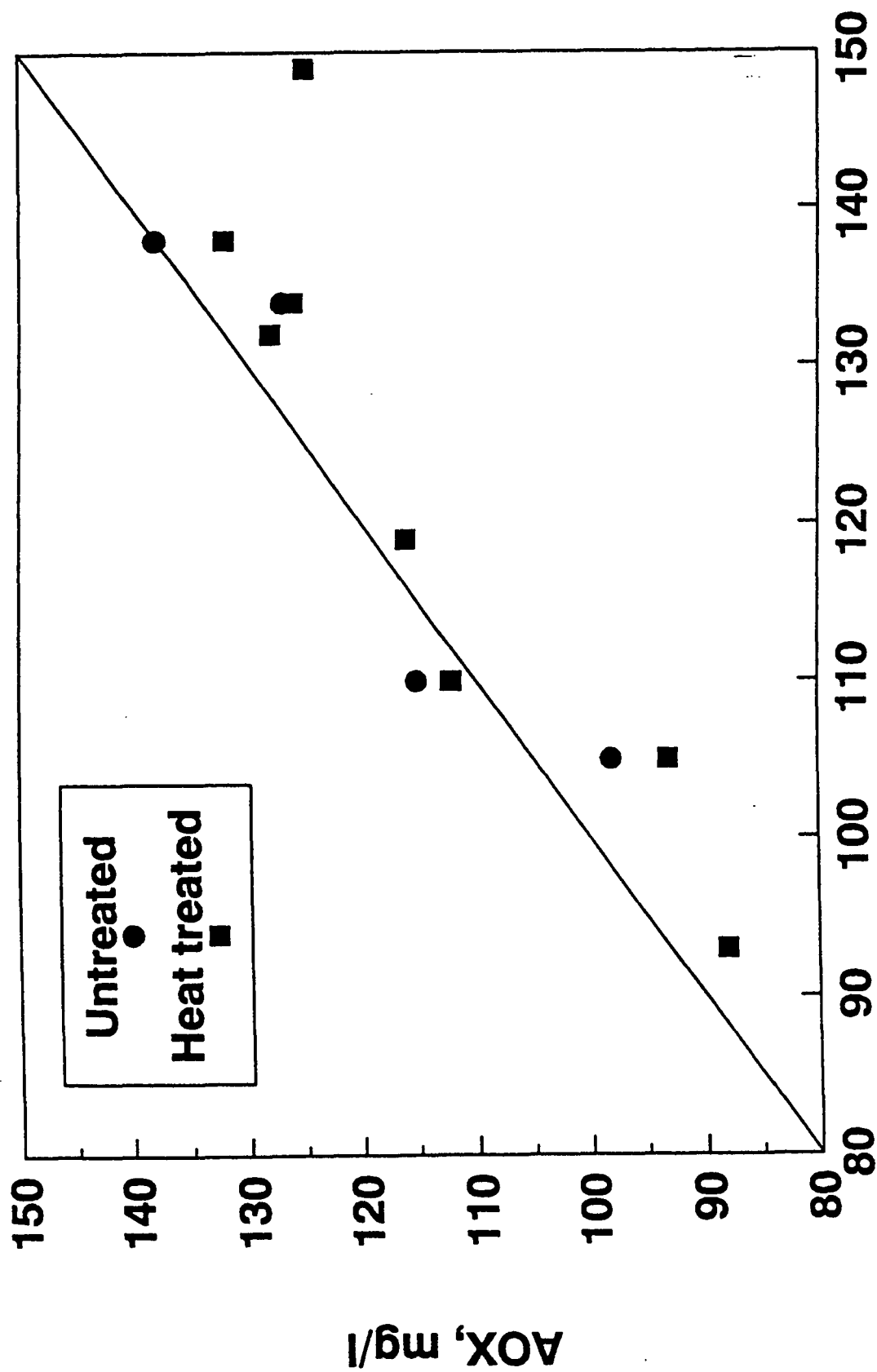
- **Define Mixing Conditions**

# MIXING CONDITONS

|       | Shaft Speed<br>(RPM) | Total Injection Time<br>(Seconds) |
|-------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| POOR: | 60                   | 13                                |
| GOOD: | 1800                 | 180                               |

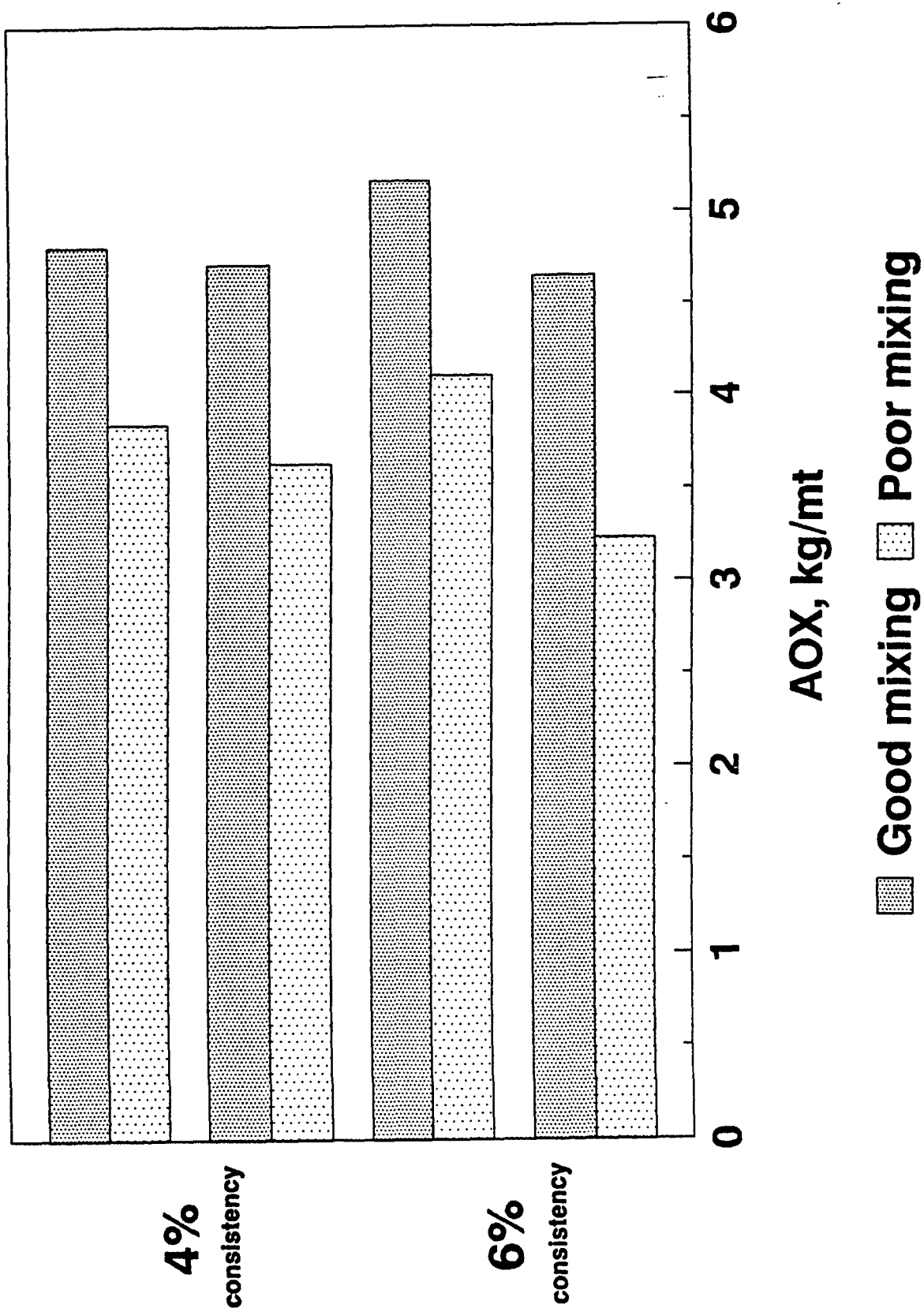


- **Effect of Mixing and Consistency  
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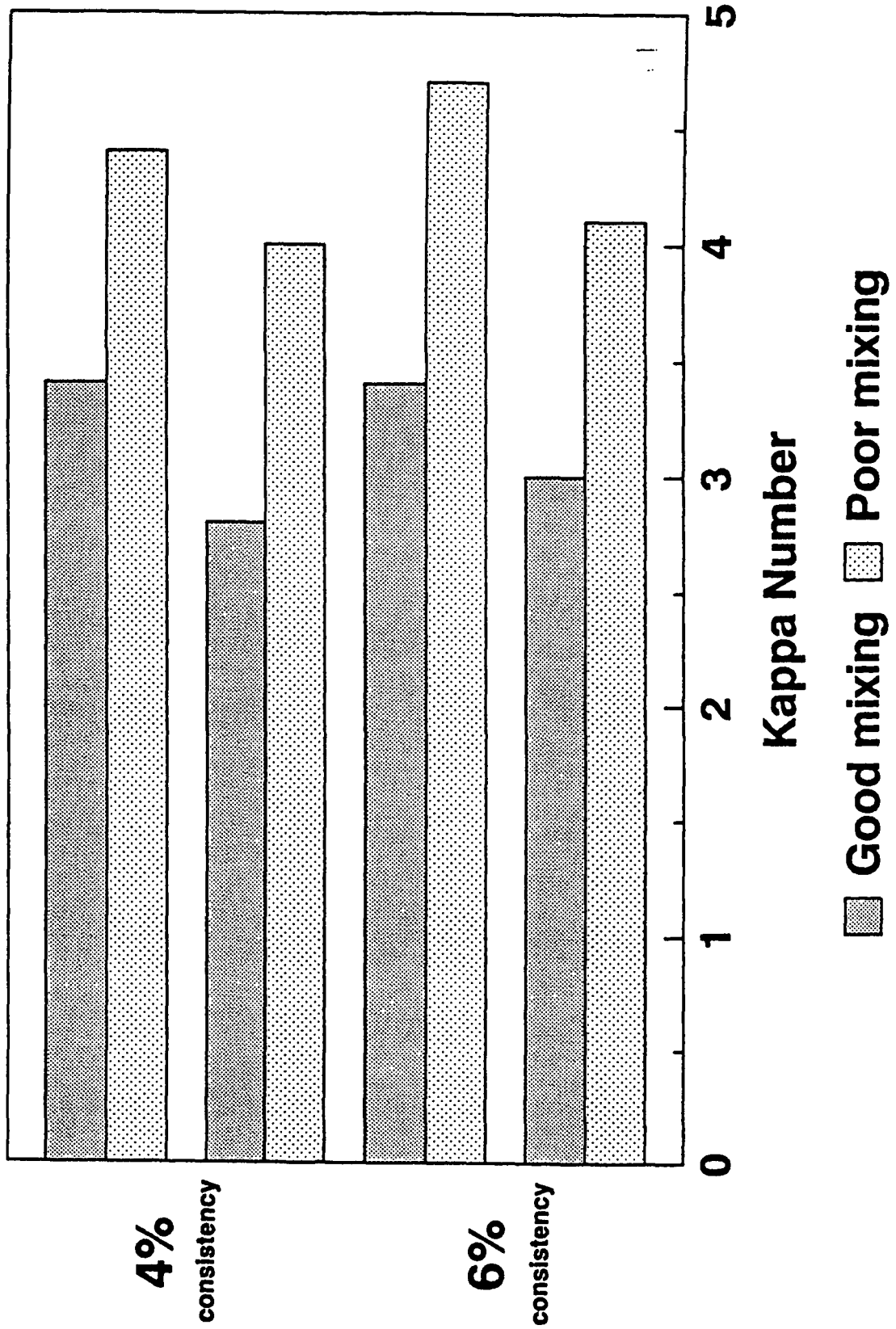


C and E stage Effluent - Calculated Average (AOX, mg/l)

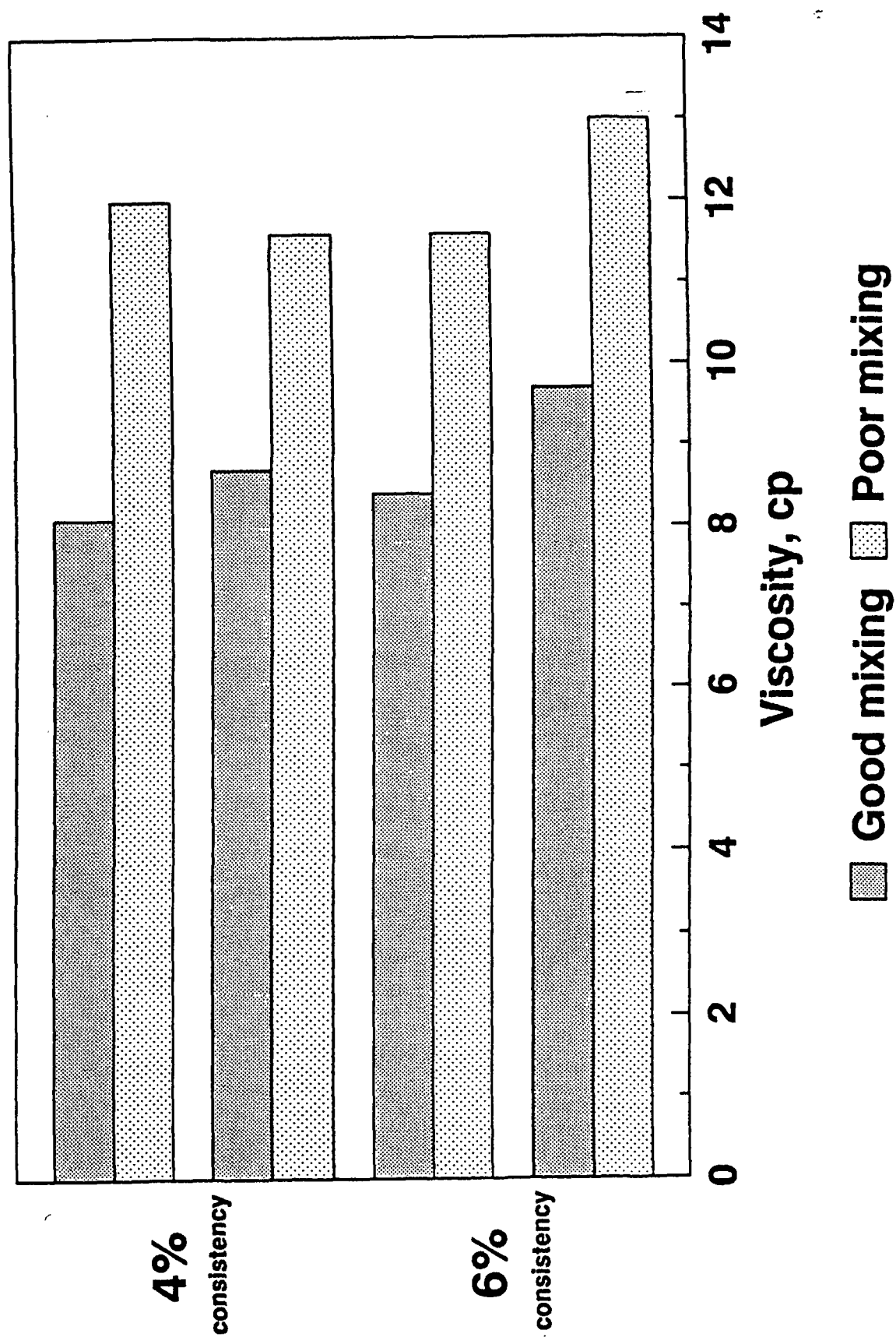
# Consistency vs AOX, kg/mt



# Effect of Mixing and Consistency on Kappa Number

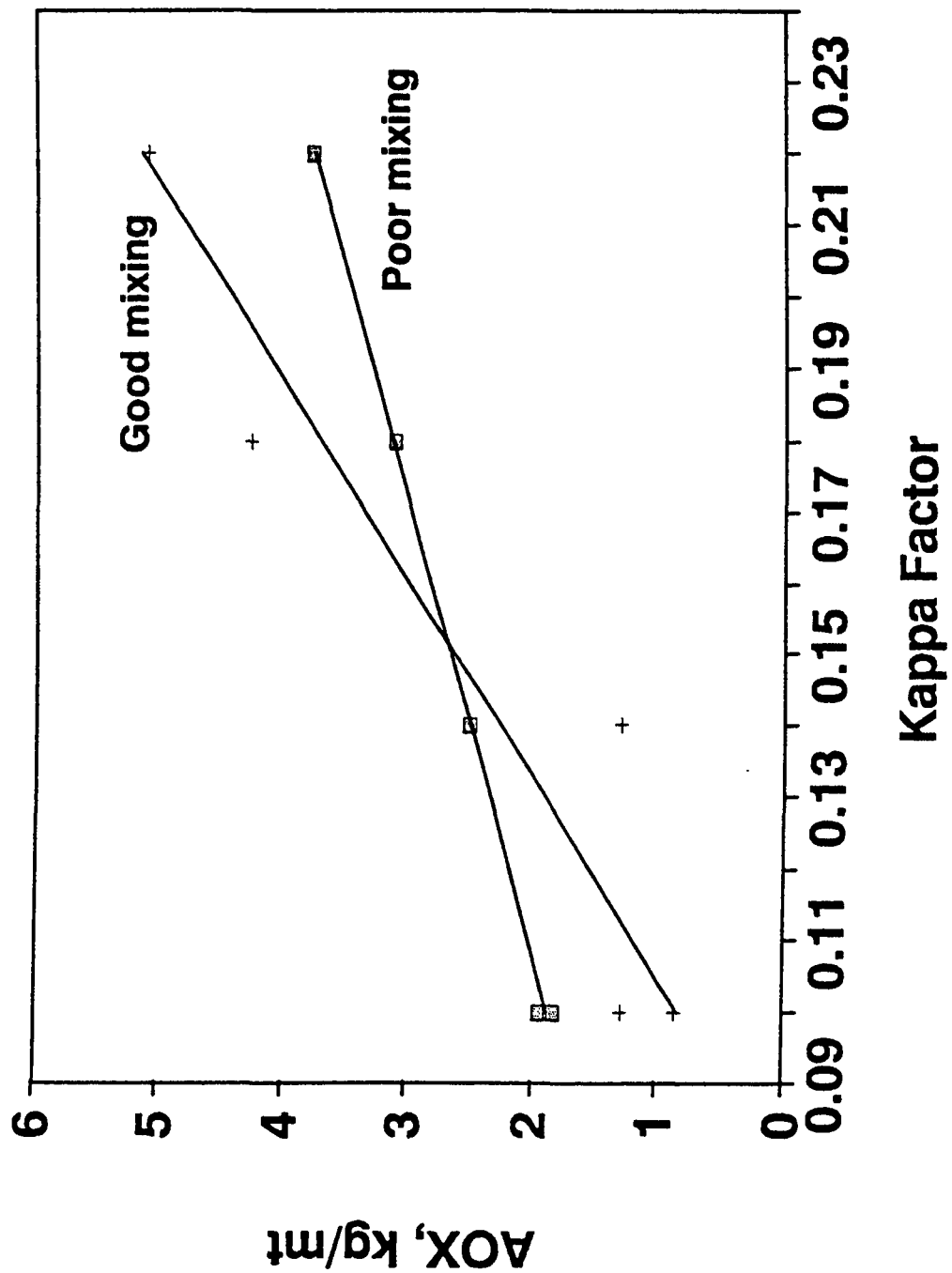


## Effect of Mixing and Consistency on Viscosity

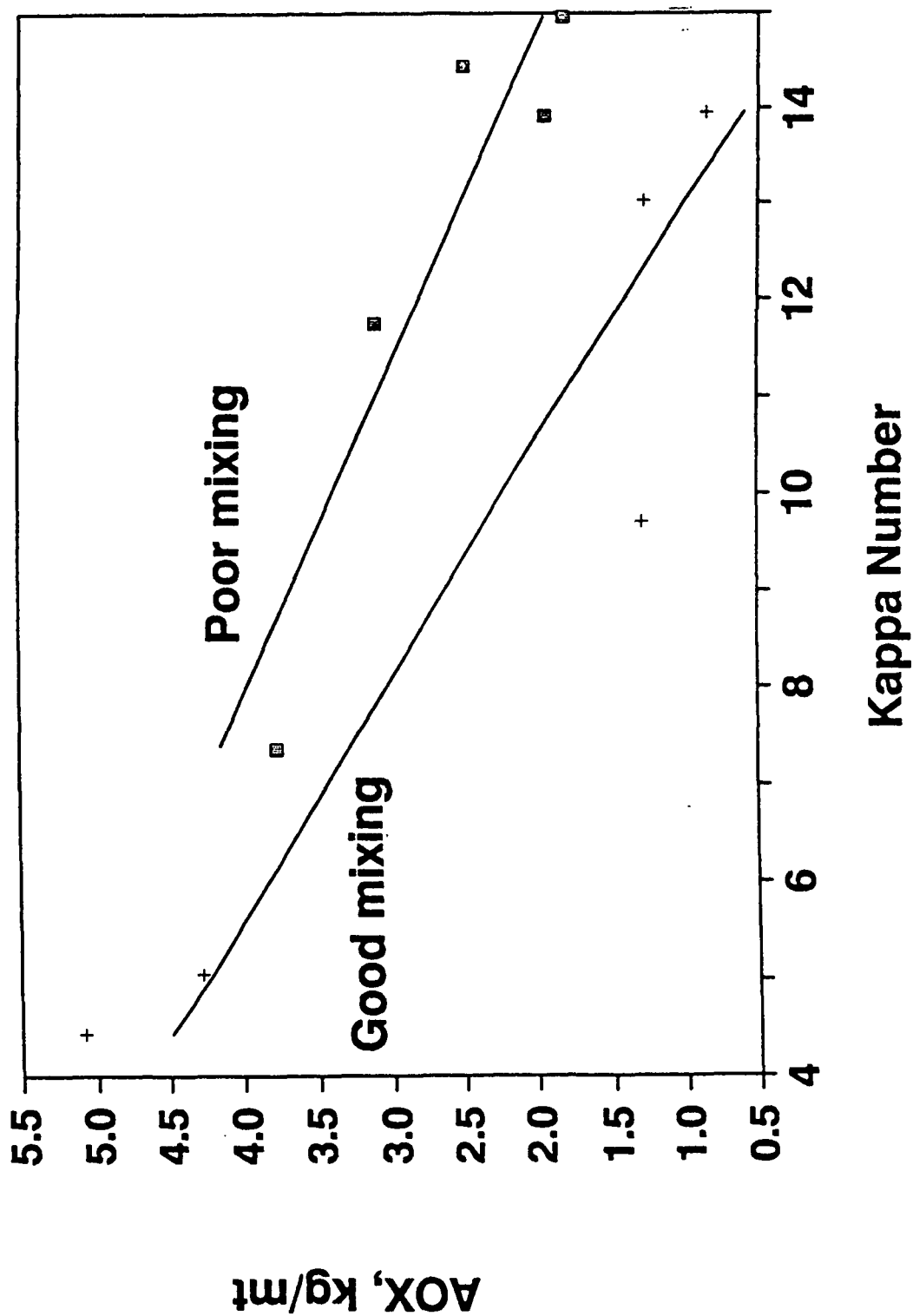


- **Effect of Chlorine Charge and Mixing  
on AOX Formation**

# KAPPA FACTOR VS AOX



# KAPPA NUMBER VS AOX



## CONCLUSIONS

- No reaction when C and E stage effluents combined
- At kappa factors  $< 0.15$ , poor mixing AOX levels were higher
- At kappa factors  $> 0.15$ , good mixing AOX levels were higher
- For a given CE kappa number, good mixing uses less chlorine and produces lower AOX levels

# **FUTURE WORK**

***PROJECT 3474***

***ENVIRONMENTALLY COMPATIBLE PRODUCTION  
OF BLEACHED PULP***

***PART 3: PRETREATMENTS TO IMPROVE OXYGEN  
BLEACHING SELECTIVITY***

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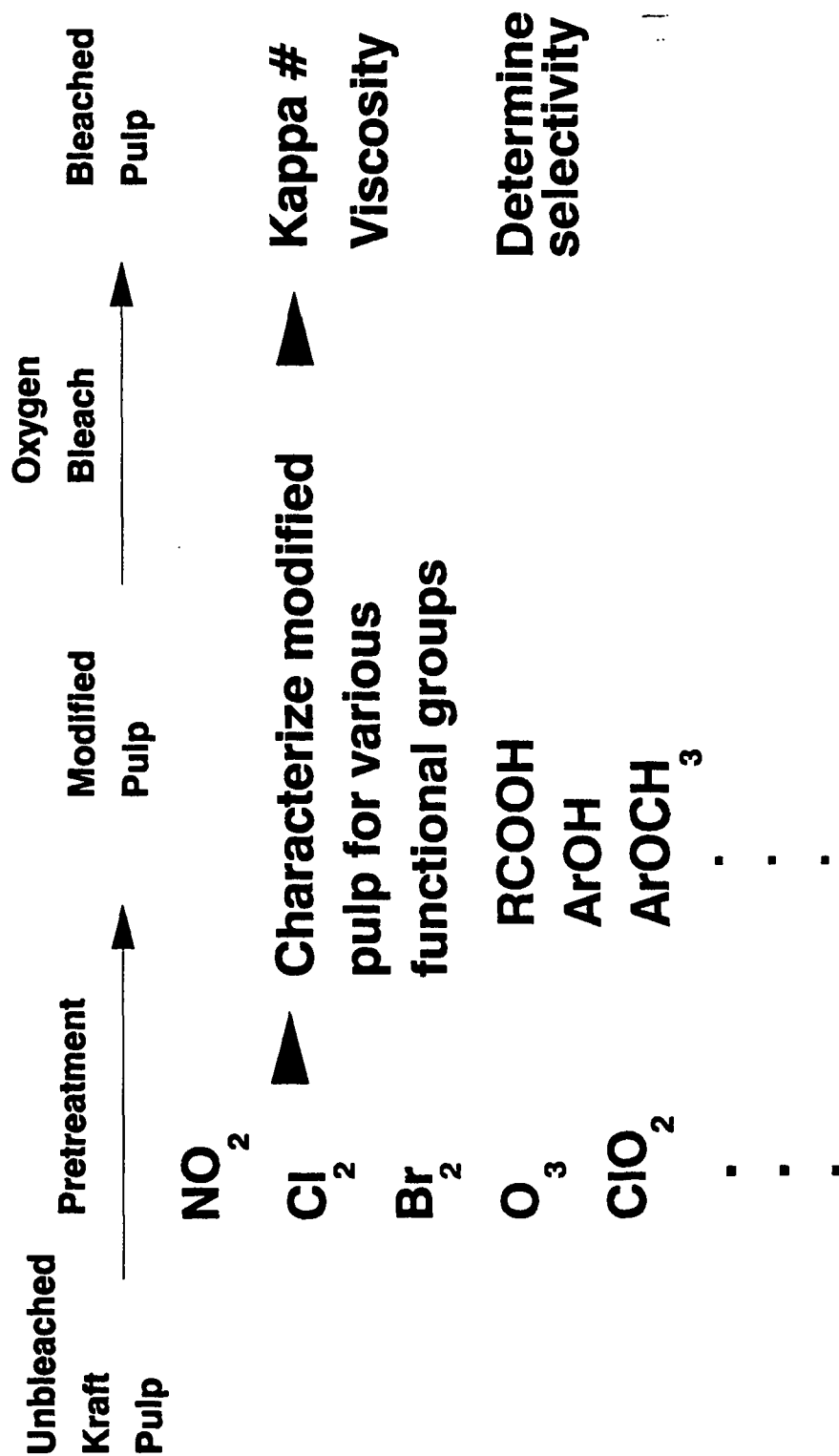


**Project 3474**

**Environmentally Compatible Production  
of Bleached Pulp**

**Pretreatments to Improve Oxygen  
Bleaching Selectivity**

# Experimental strategy:



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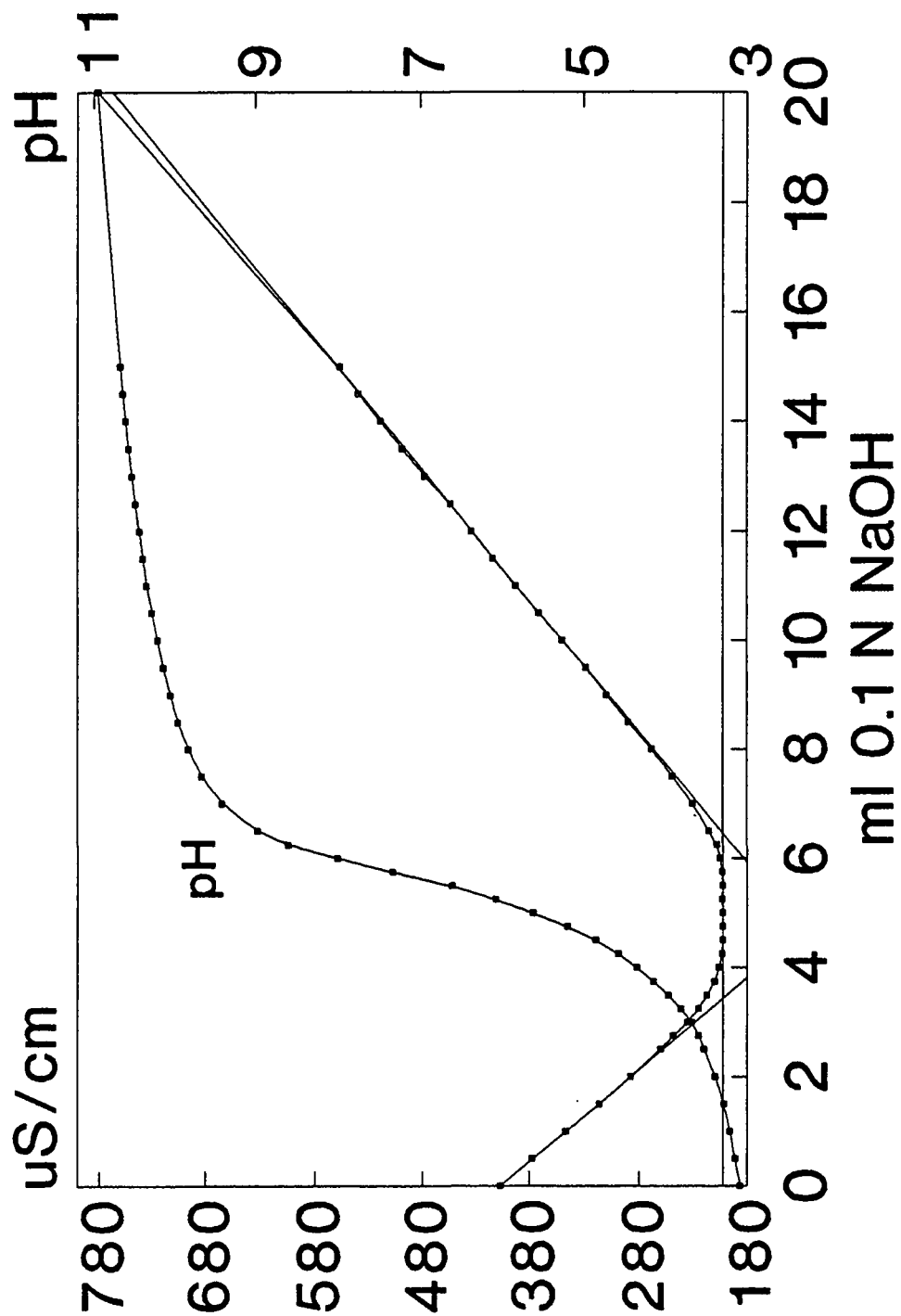
**Factors which may influence bleaching selectivity:**

**A) Carbohydrate protection**

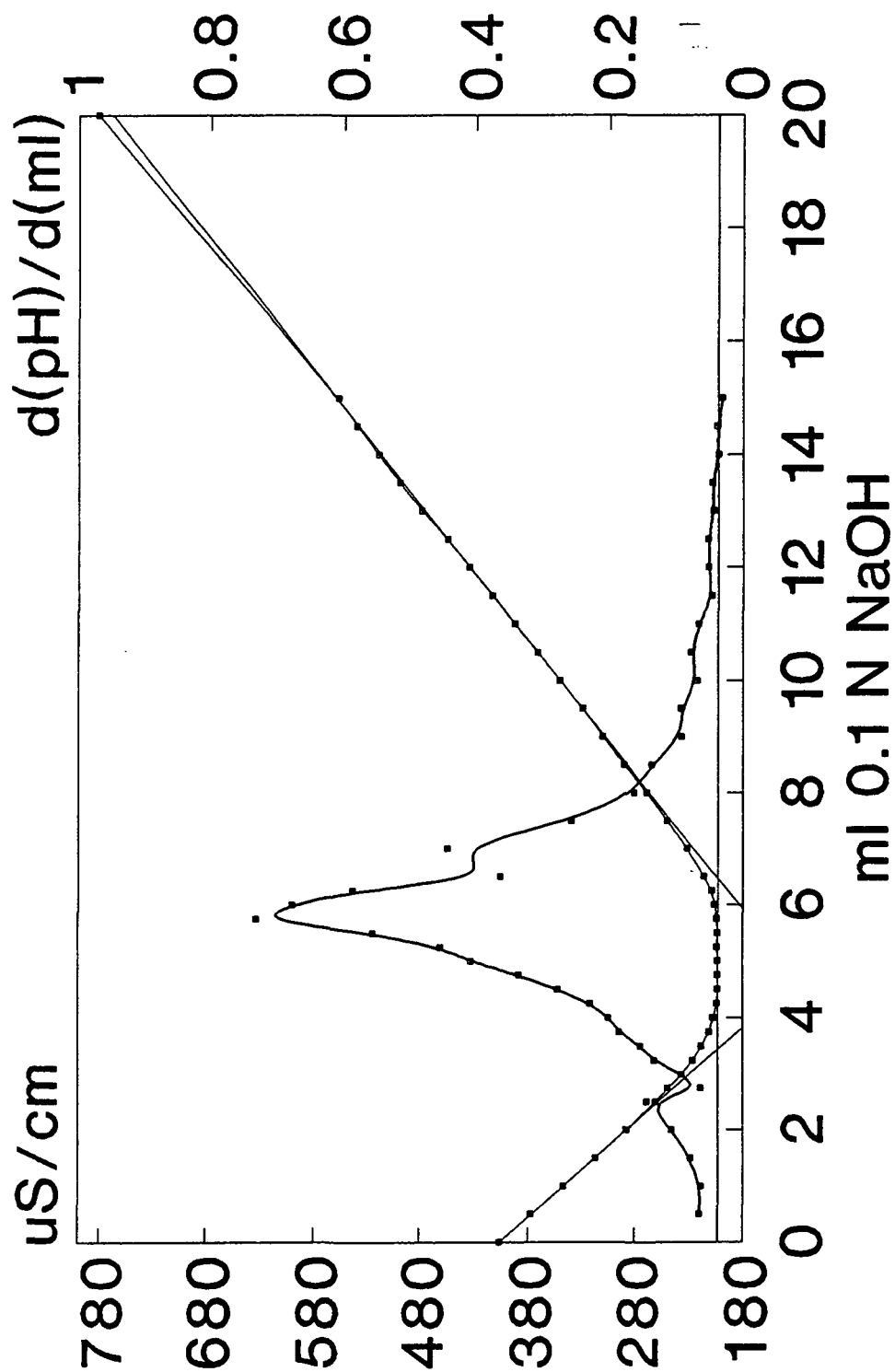
**B) Decreased lignin stability**

**C) Hydrophilic properties of residual lignin**

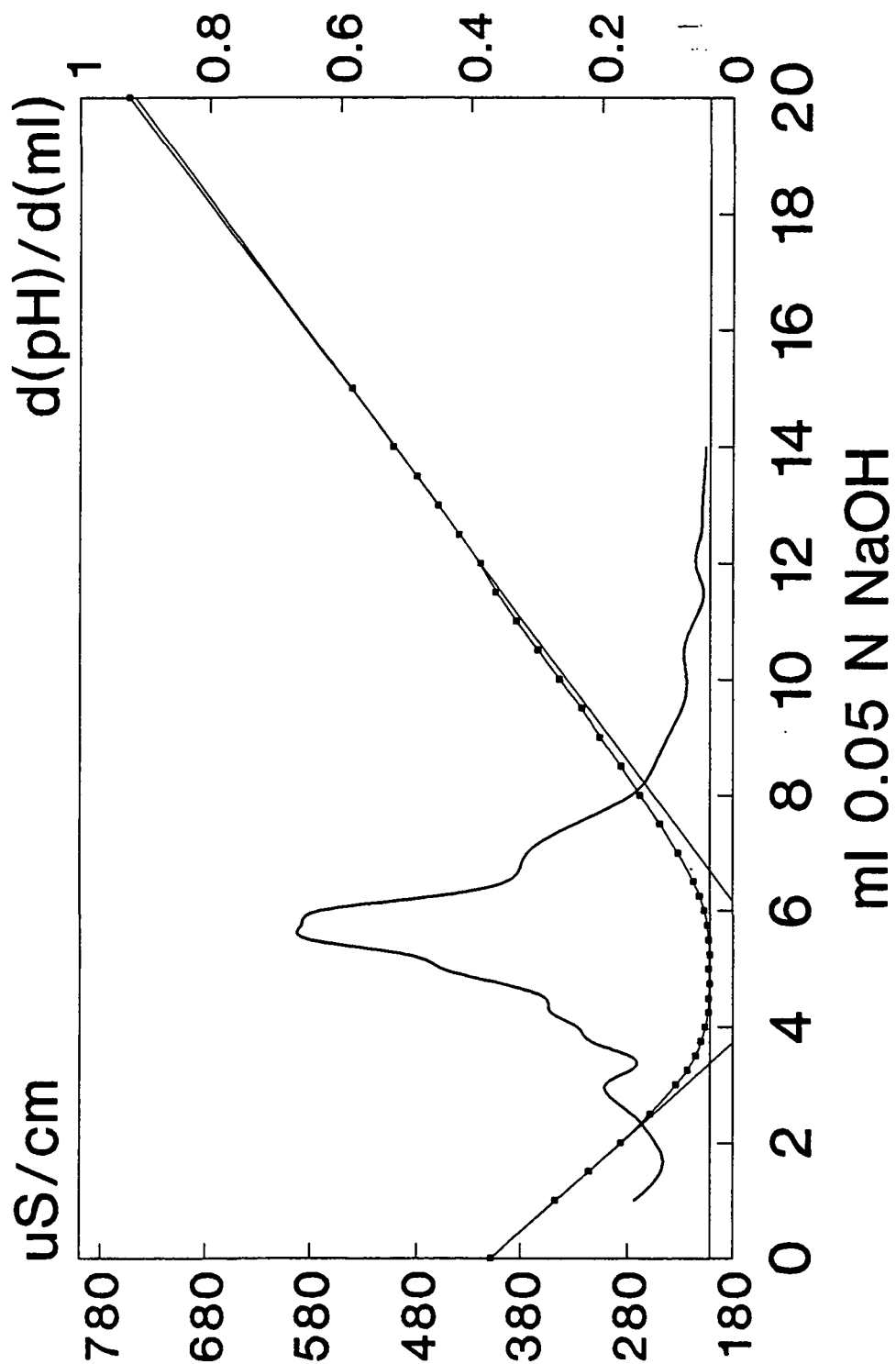
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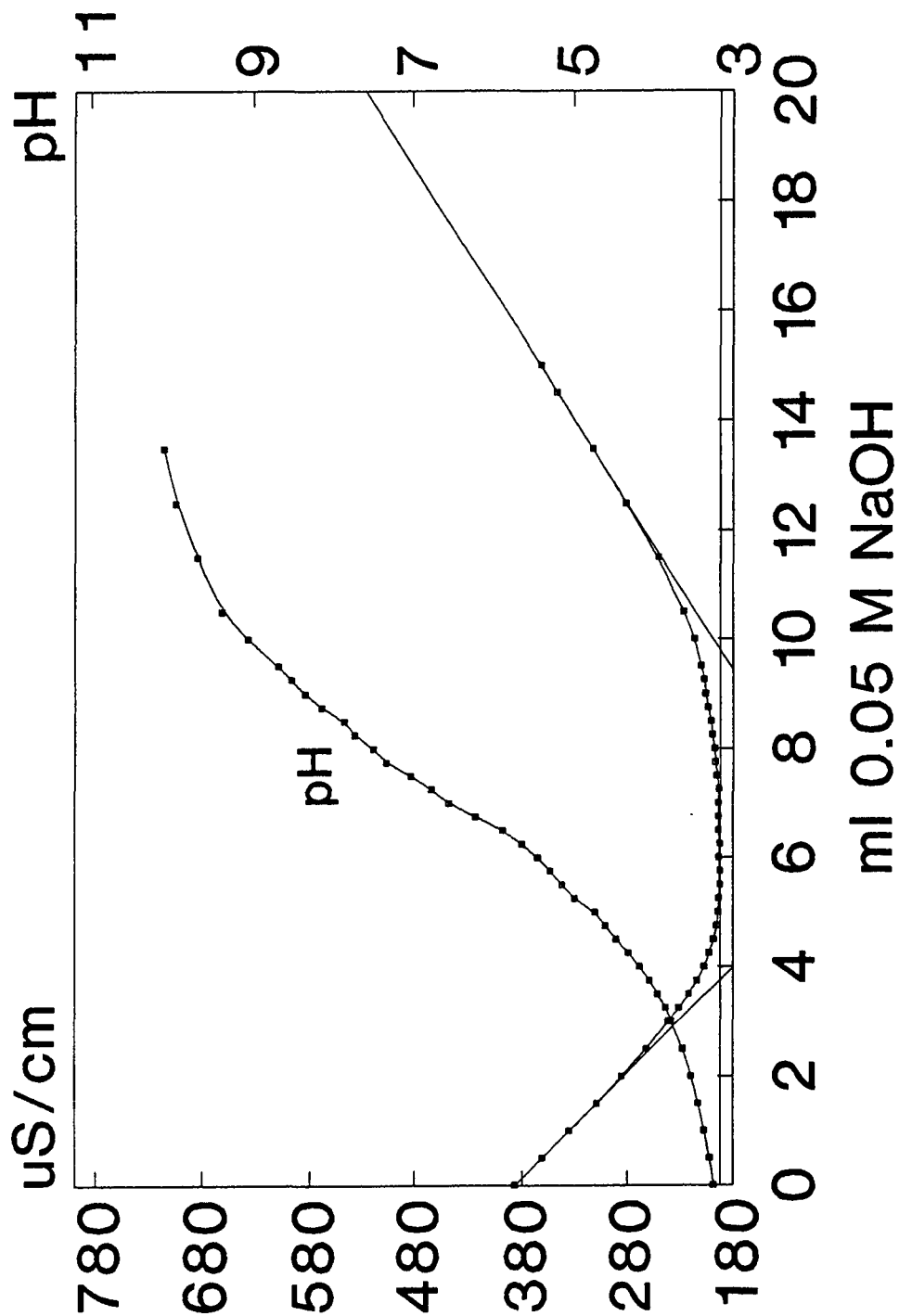
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Untreated Kraft Pulp



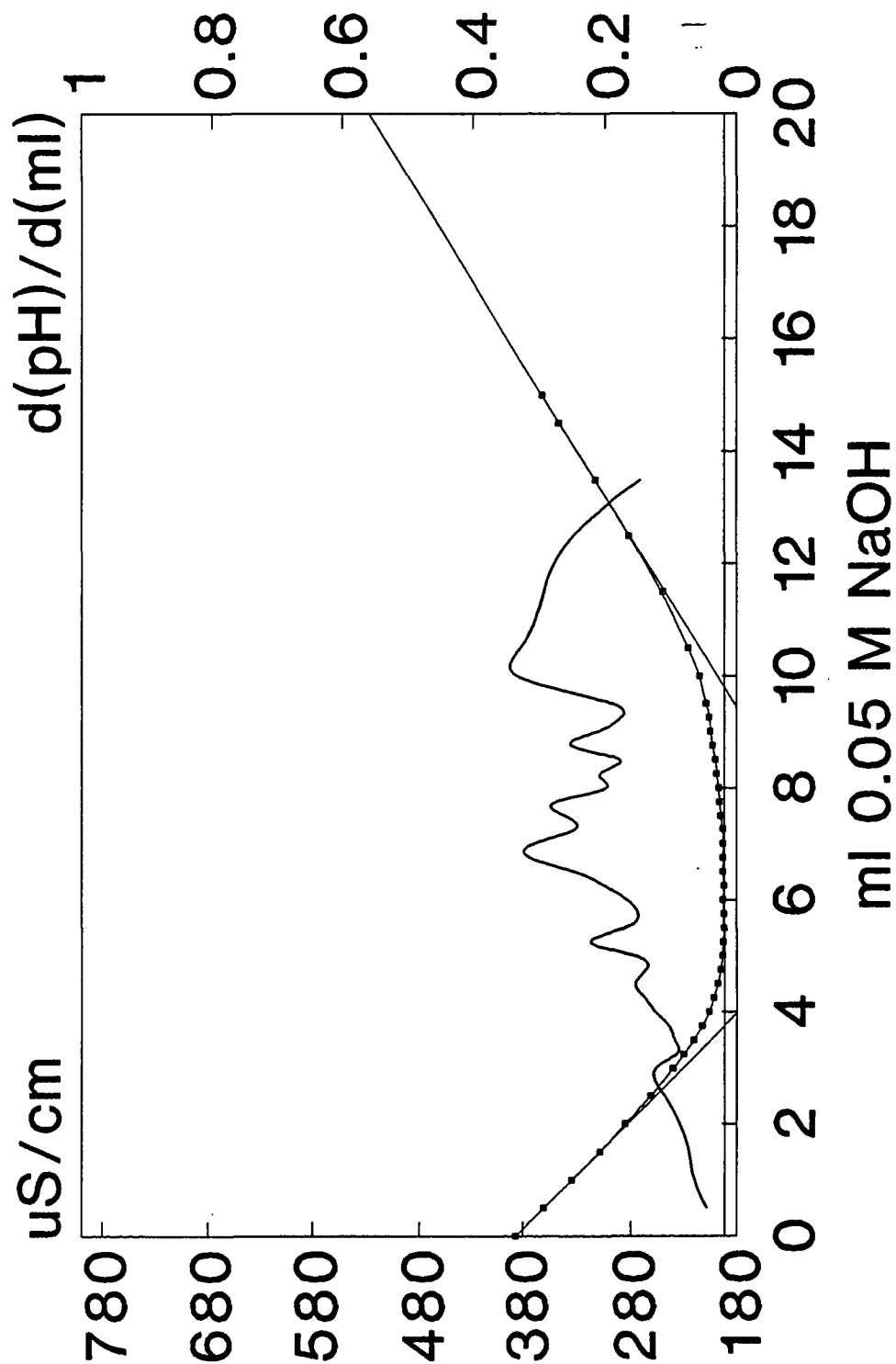
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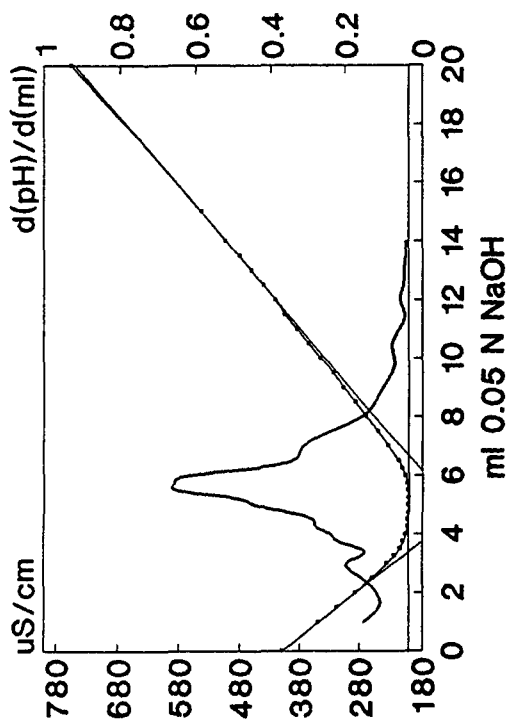
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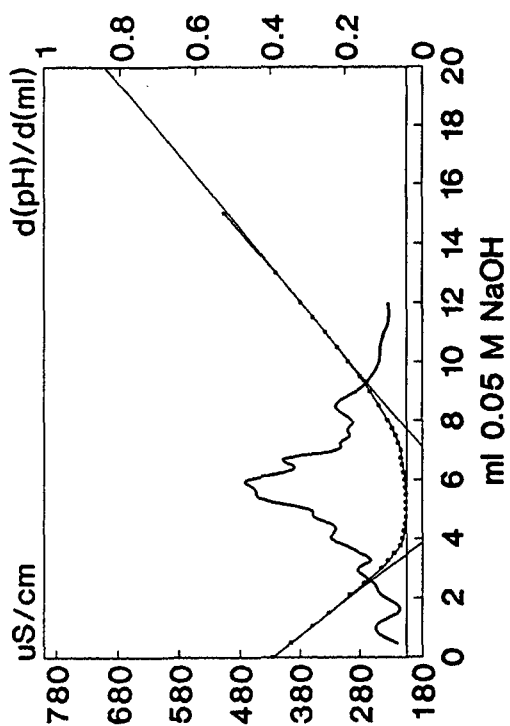
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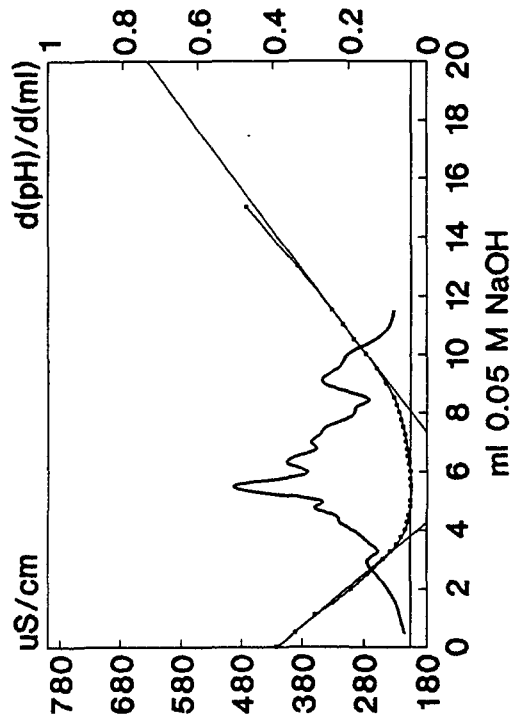
# Untreated



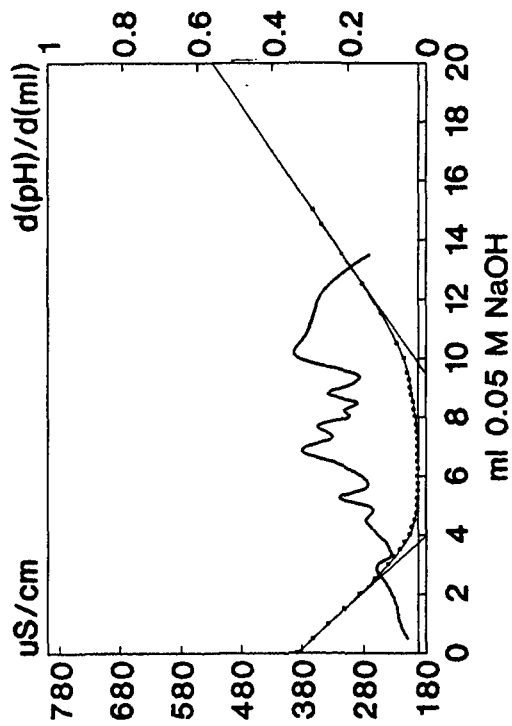
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# 4% Nitrogen Dioxide



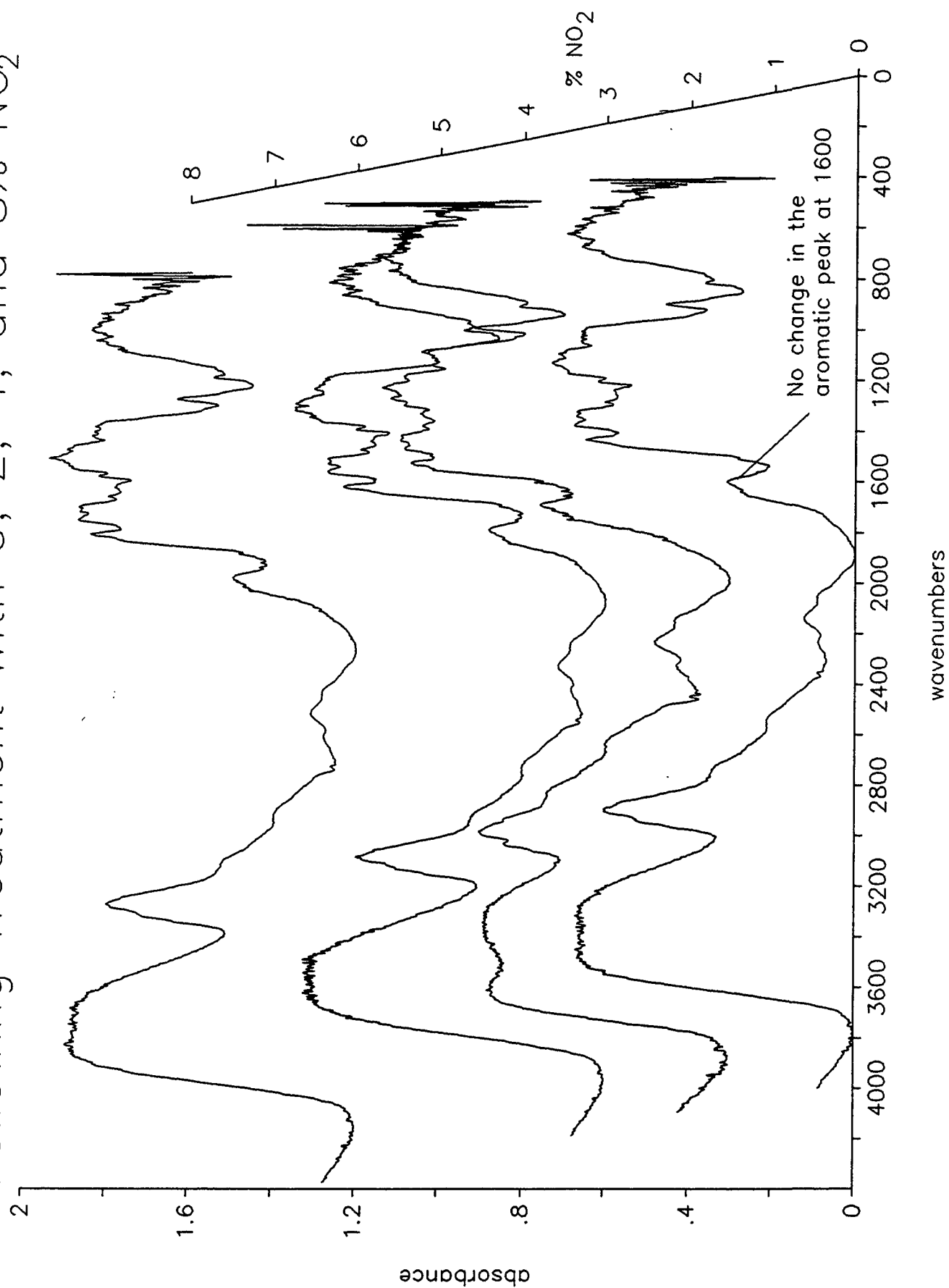
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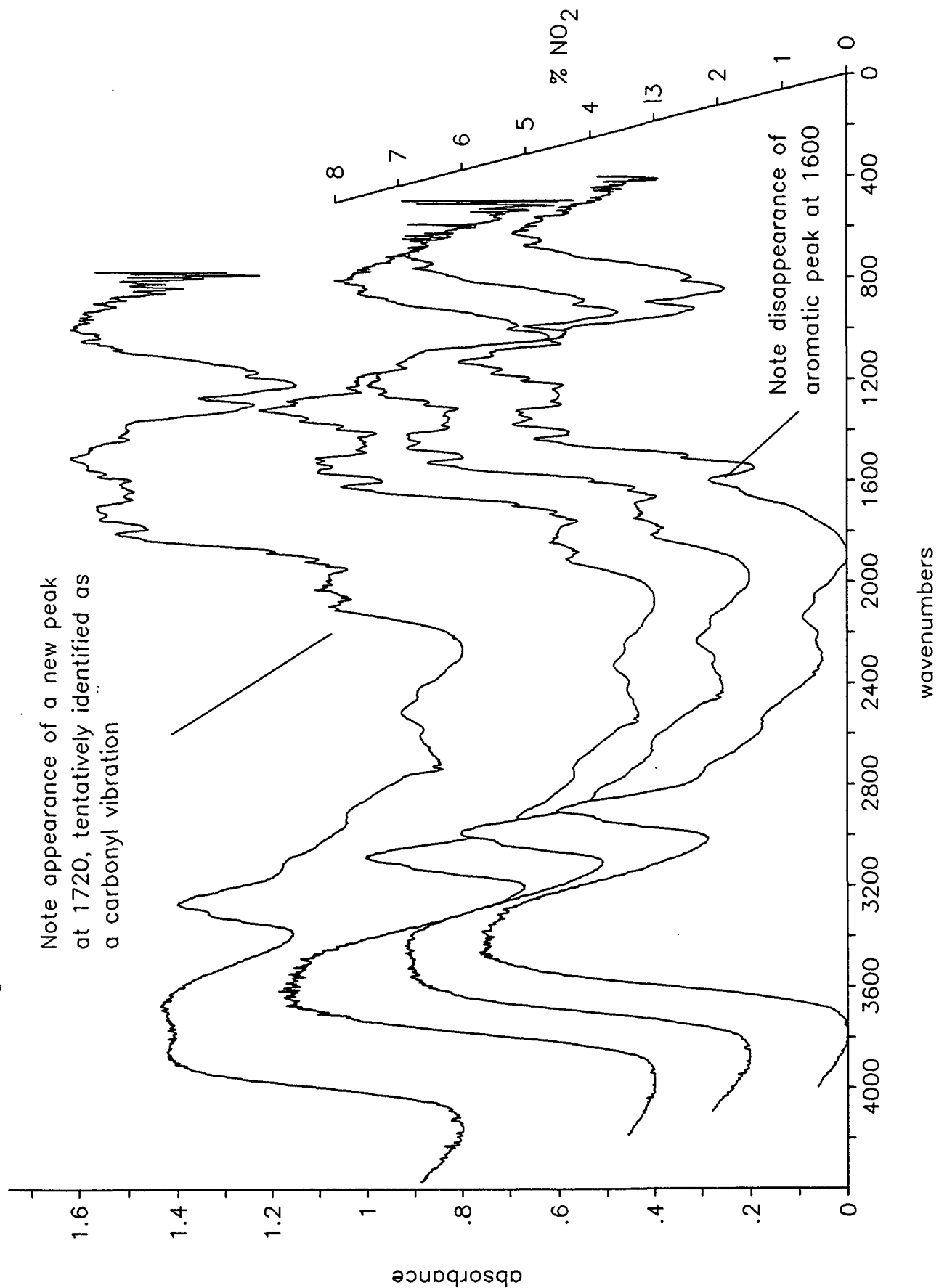
## Acid Content of Treated Kraft Pulps

| <u>Treatment</u>    | <u>Acidity meq/kg</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| None                | 106                   |
| 2% Nitrogen Dioxide | 155                   |
| 4% Nitrogen Dioxide | 138                   |
| 8% Nitrogen Dioxide | 153                   |

Drift Spectra of Bleached Loblolly Pine Pulp  
Following Treatment With 0, 2, 4, and 8%  $\text{NO}_2$



# DRIFT Spectra of Unbleached Loblolly Pine Pulp Following Treatment With 0, 2, 4, and 8% $\text{NO}_2$

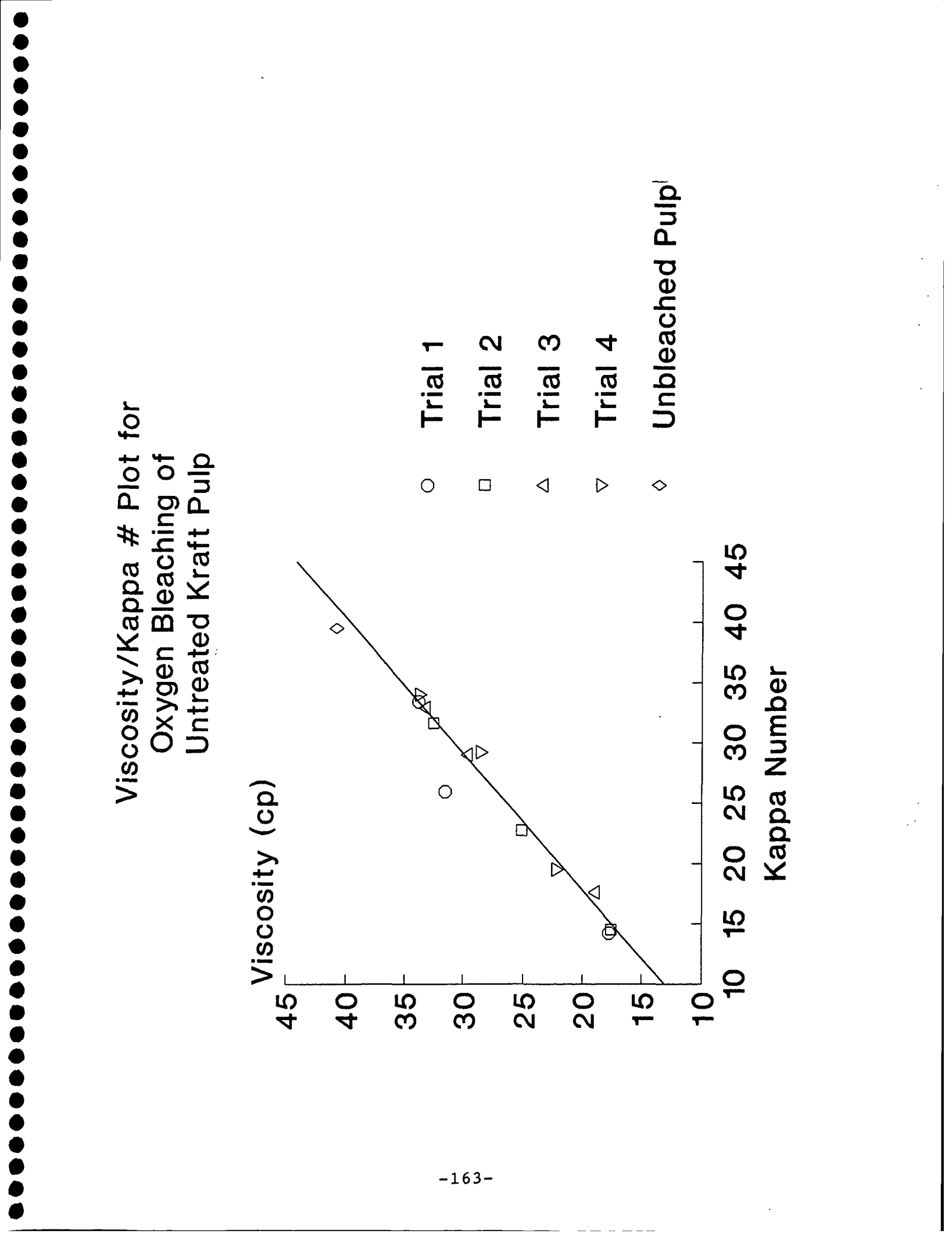


Viscosity/Kappa # Plot for  
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Untreated Kraft Pulp

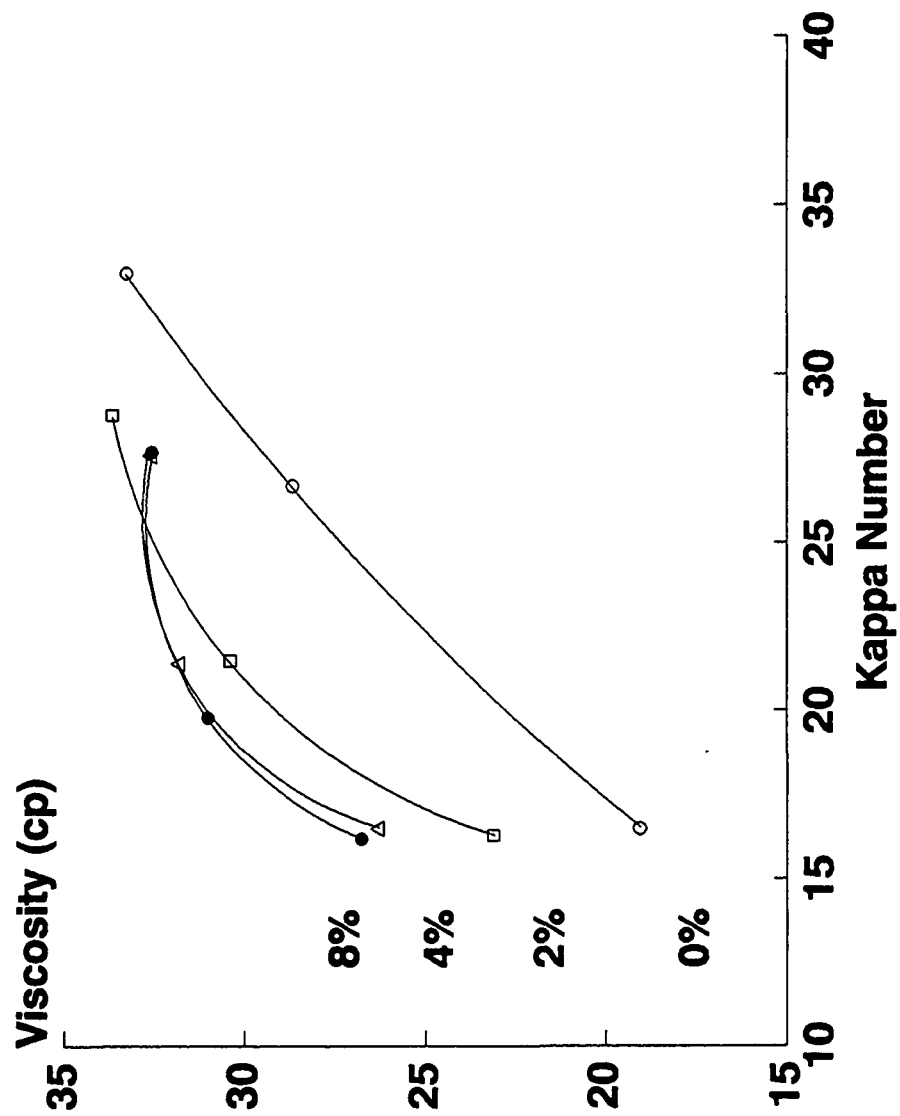
Legend:

- Trial 1
- Trial 2
- △ Trial 3
- ▽ Trial 4
- ◇ Unbleached Pulp

| Kappa Number | Viscosity (cp) | Trial           |
|--------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 12           | 17             | Unbleached Pulp |
| 15           | 18             | Trial 1         |
| 15           | 19             | Trial 2         |
| 18           | 21             | Trial 3         |
| 22           | 24             | Trial 2         |
| 25           | 27             | Trial 1         |
| 28           | 30             | Trial 3         |
| 30           | 31             | Trial 4         |
| 32           | 33             | Trial 2         |
| 33           | 34             | Trial 4         |
| 34           | 35             | Trial 1         |
| 35           | 36             | Trial 3         |
| 38           | 39             | Unbleached Pulp |



# Viscosity/Kappa # Plots for Nitrogen Dioxide Pretreatment



## **Conclusions**

- introduction of nitrophenolic groups likely
- acid content of pulps increased significantly by nitrogen dioxide
- technique which will follow "pKa spectrum" of pulp is possible



***PROJECT 3699***

***EVALUATION OF COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE  
CONDUCTIVITY SENSORS***

***April 2, 1991***

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# **CONDUCTIVITY SENSOR EVALUATION**

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# **CONDUCTIVITY SENSOR EVALUATION**

**- OBJECTIVE -**

**TO EVALUATE COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE  
CONDUCTIVITY SENSORS FOR THEIR ABILITY TO  
ACCURATELY AND REPRODUCIBLY MONITOR AL-  
KALI CONCENTRATION IN PROCESS STREAMS**



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# **COMMERCIAALLY AVAILABLE INDUSTRIAL SENSORS**

## **TYPES**

- FOUR ELECTRODE**
- INSERTION ELECTRODELESS**
- FLOW THROUGH ELECTRODELESS**



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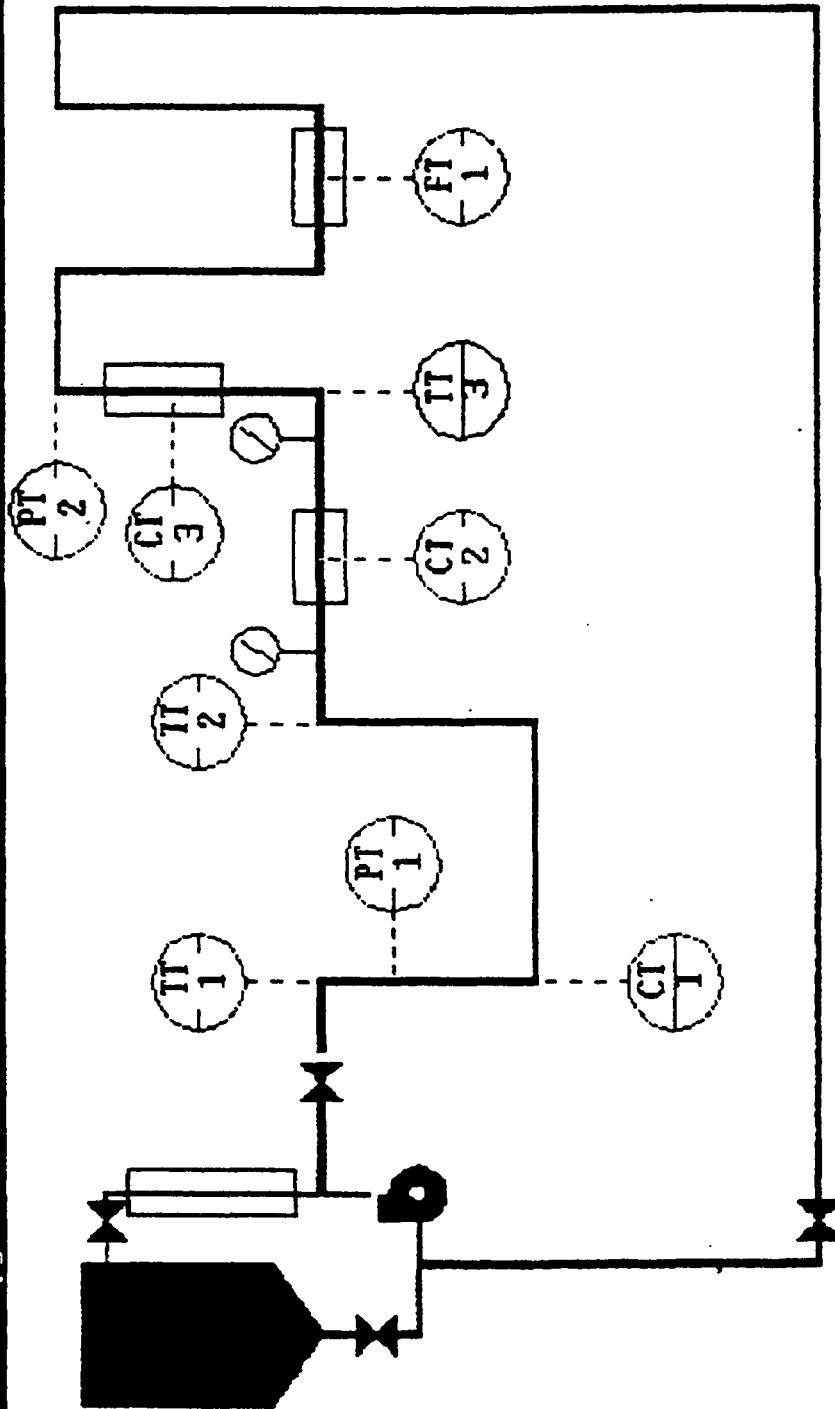
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## **PHASE I TESTING**

- **SYNTHETIC WHITE LIQUOR**
- **VARIABLES**
  - **TEMPERATURE**
  - **CHEMICAL CONCENTRATION**
  - **VELOCITY**

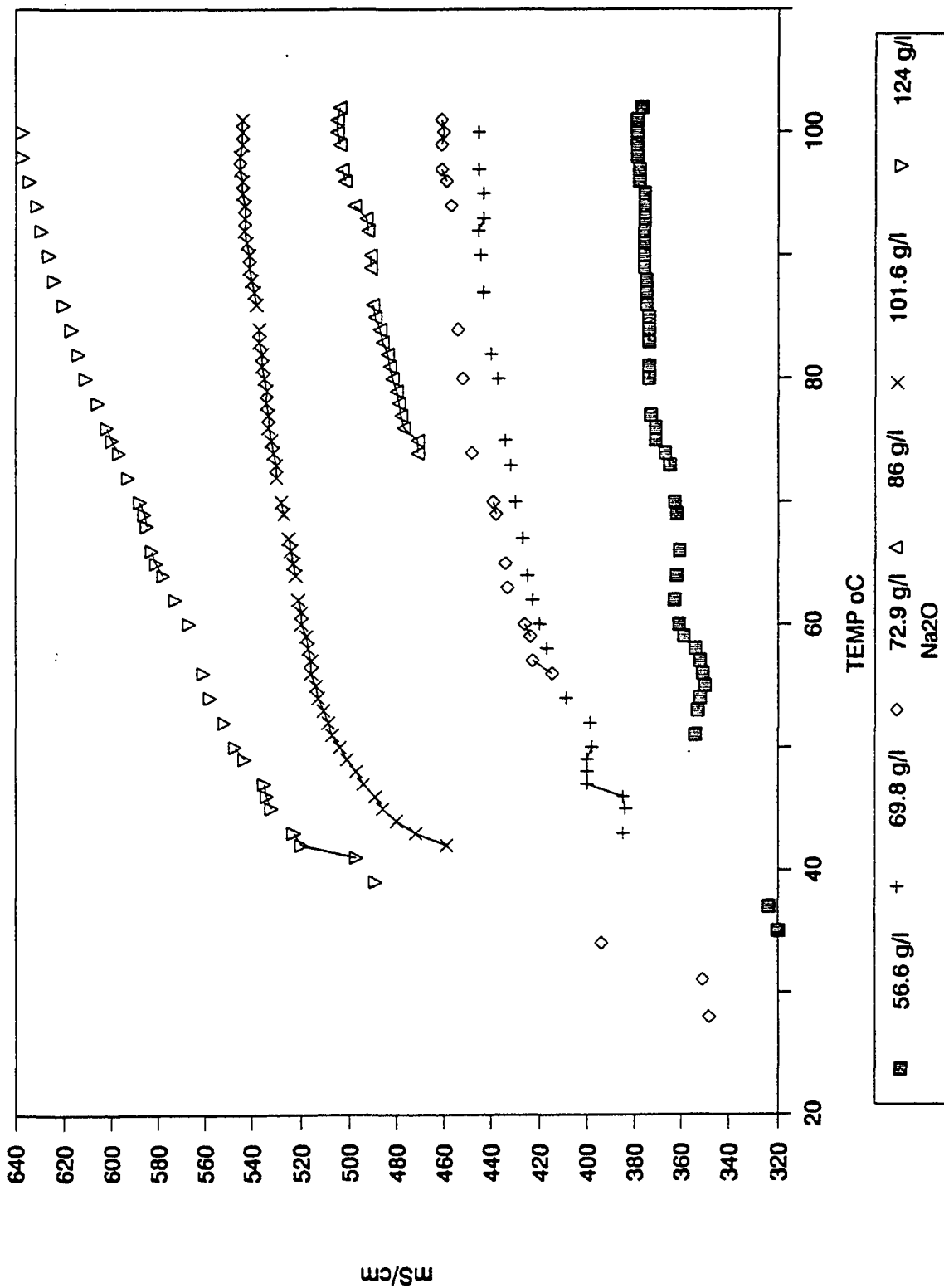
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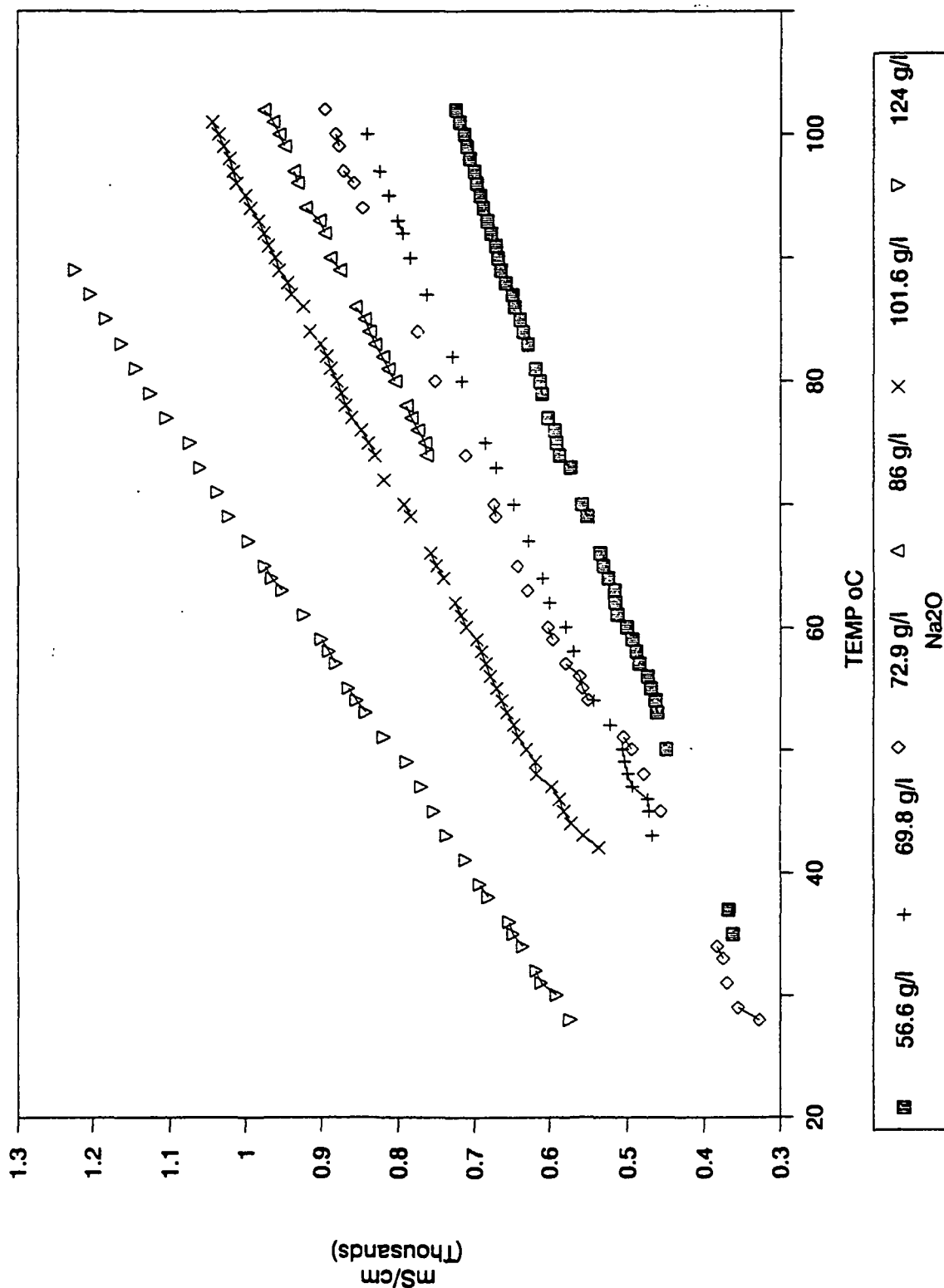
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For NaOH



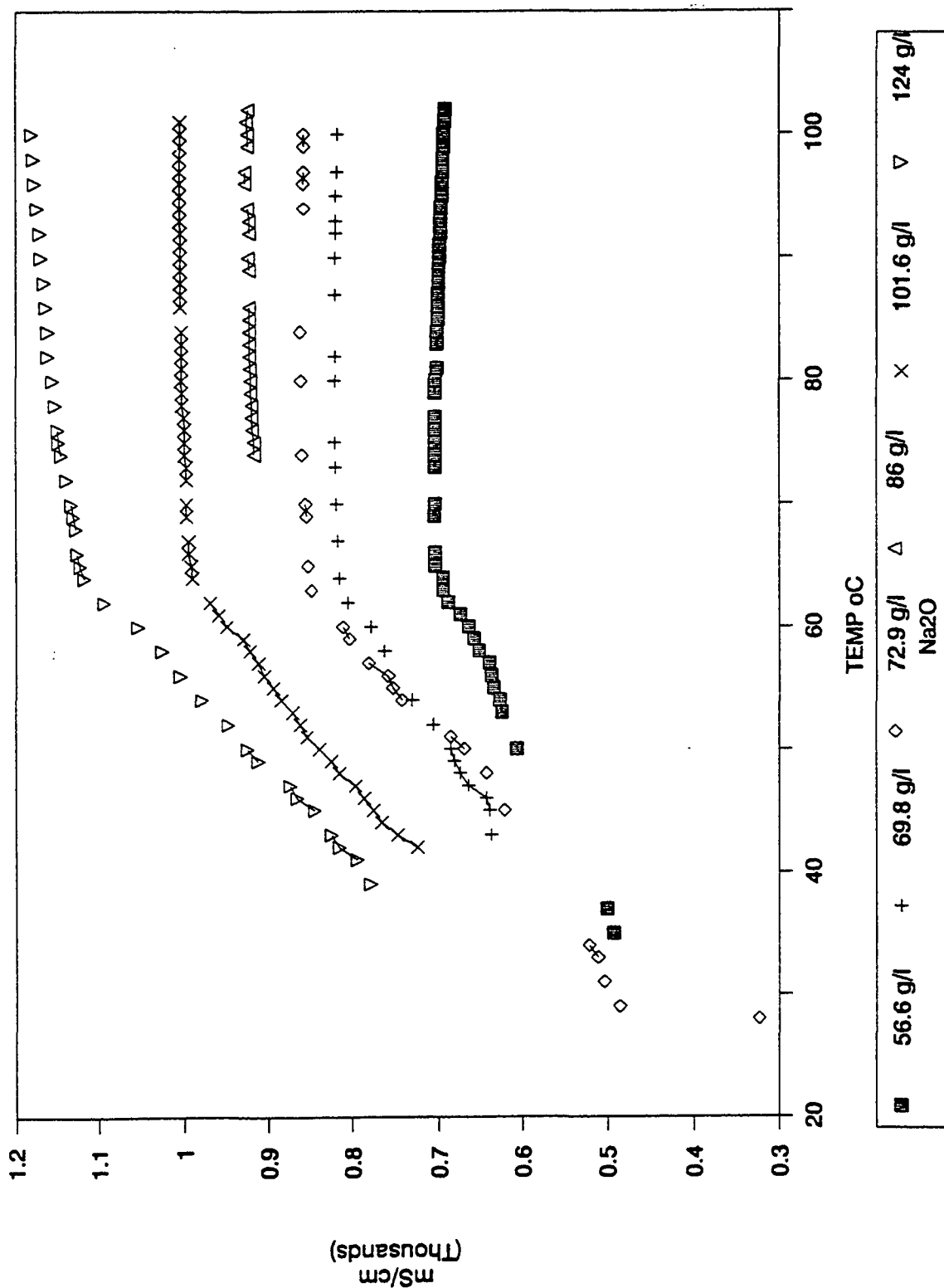
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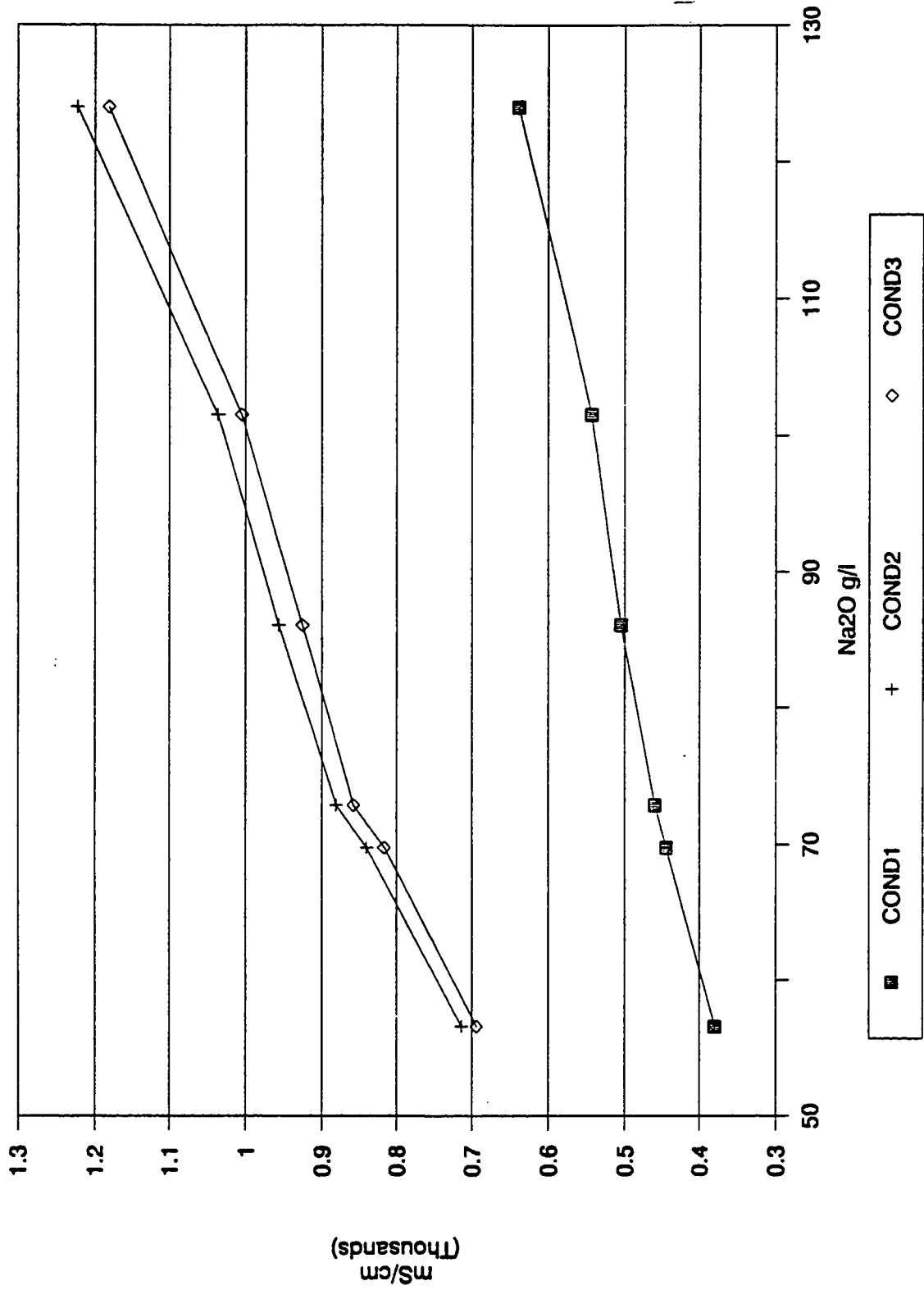
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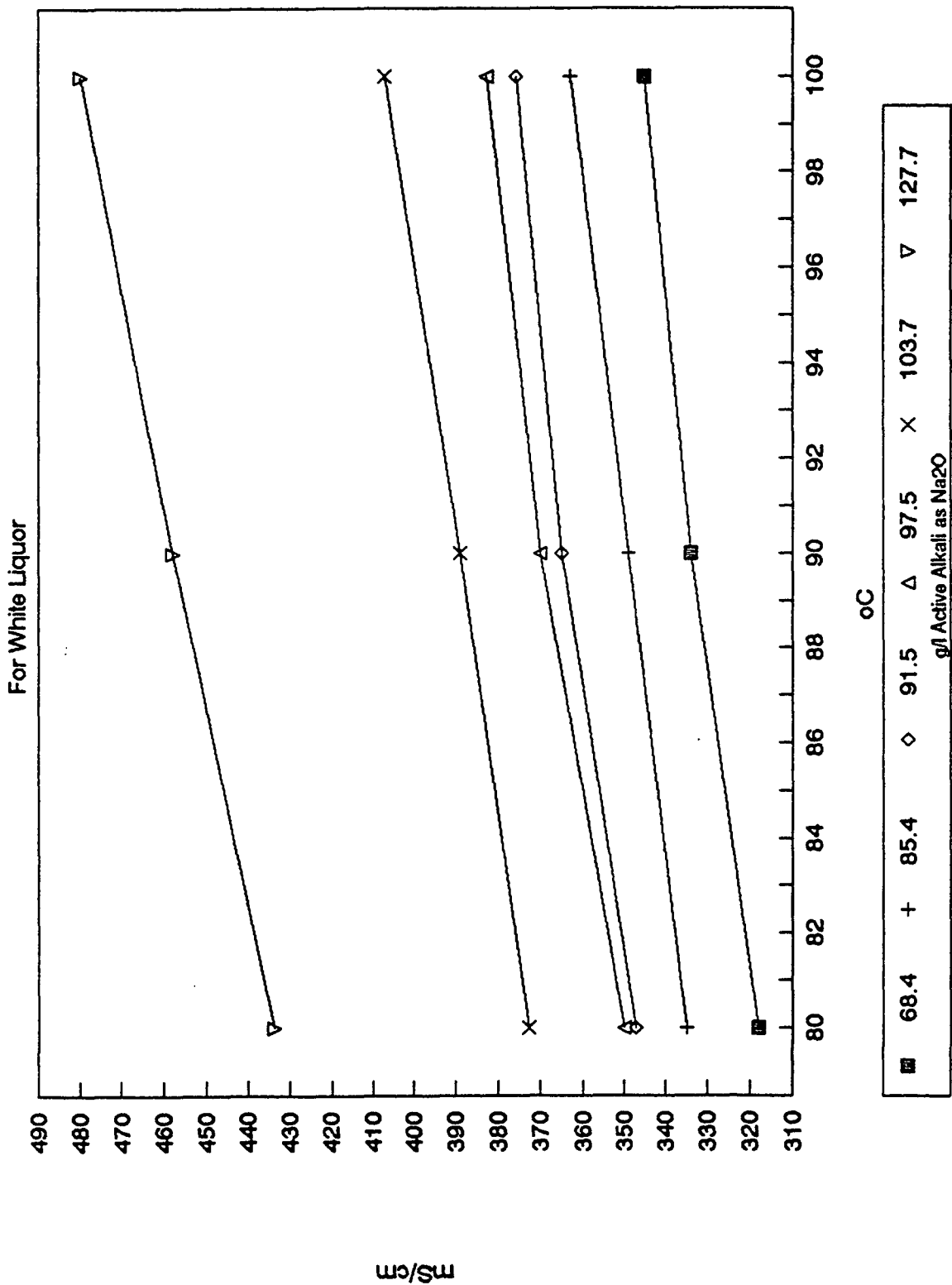


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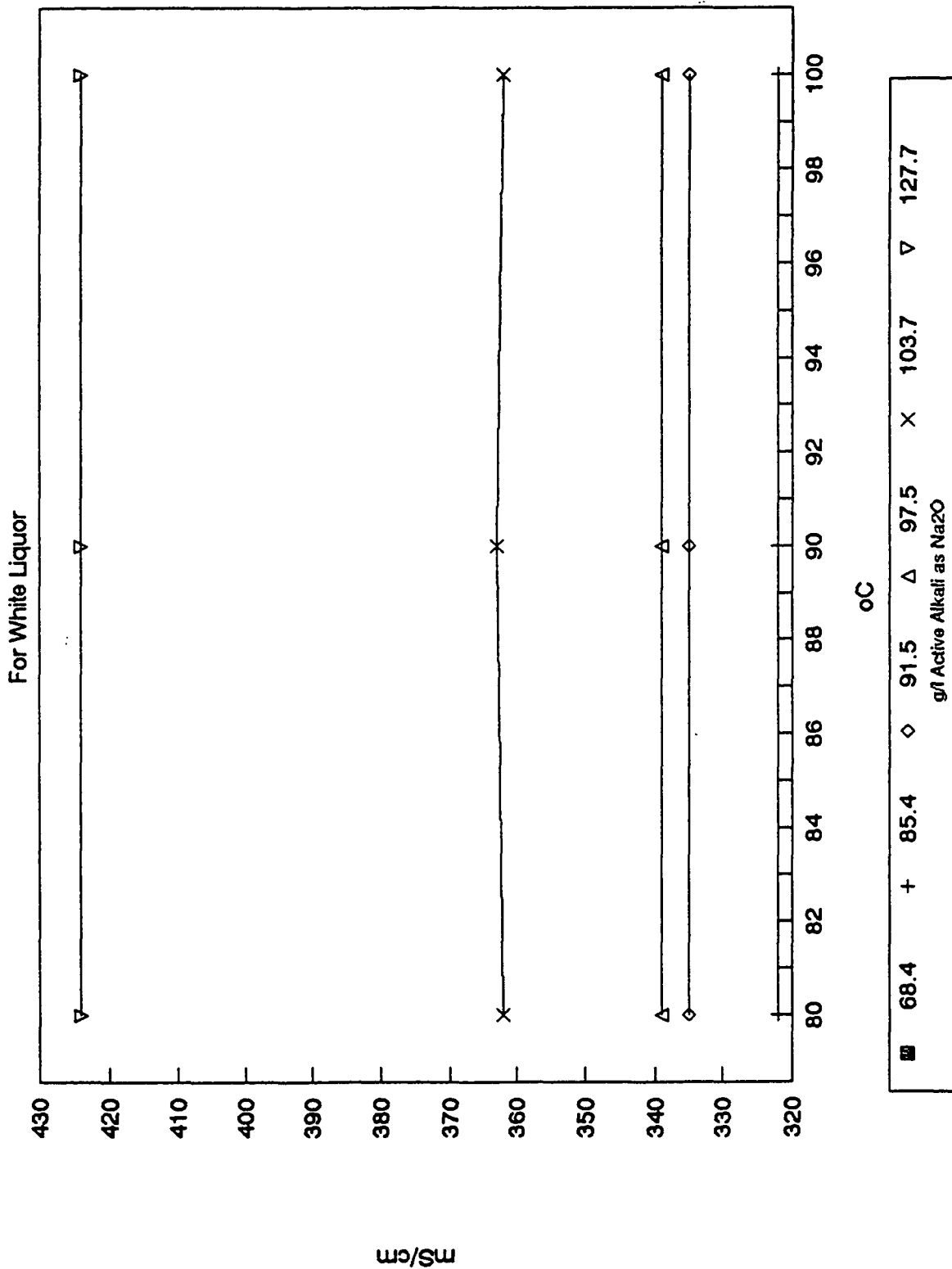
Values at 100 oC for NaOH



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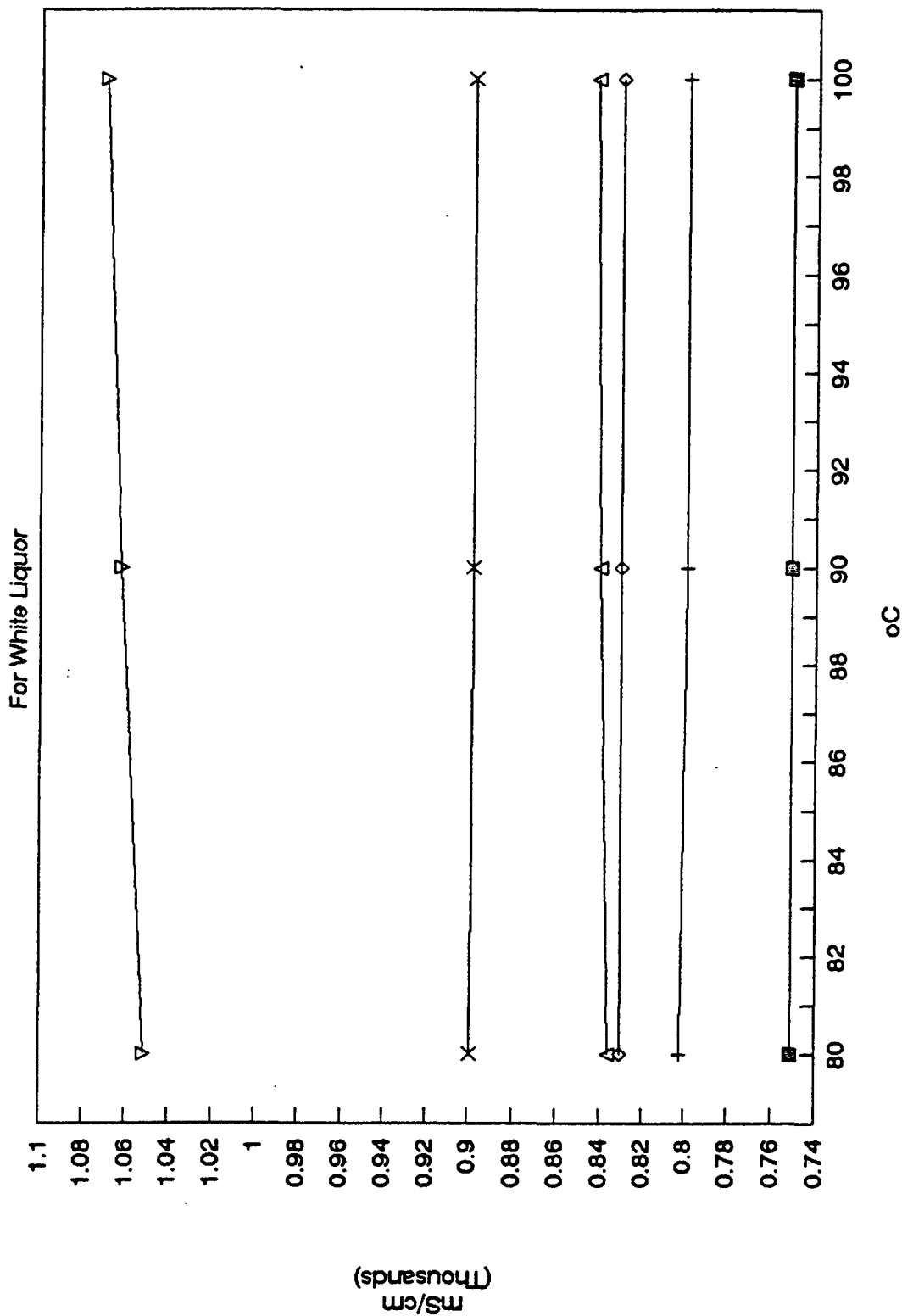
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mS/cm

°C

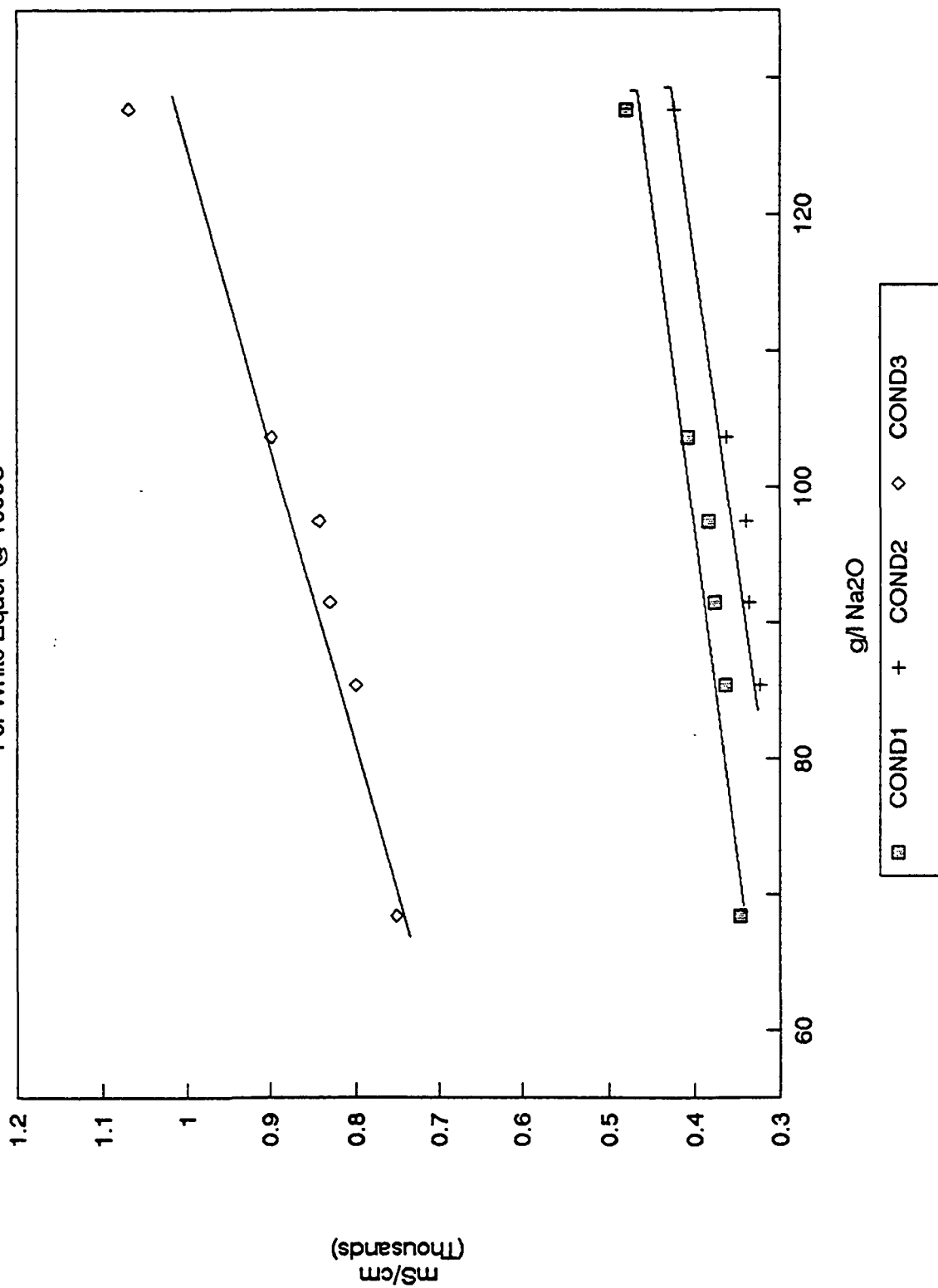
# COND3 VS TEMP



|                                        |      |   |      |   |      |   |      |   |       |   |       |
|----------------------------------------|------|---|------|---|------|---|------|---|-------|---|-------|
| ■                                      | 68.4 | + | 85.4 | ◇ | 91.5 | △ | 97.5 | × | 103.7 | ▽ | 127.7 |
| g/l Active Alkali as Na <sub>2</sub> O |      |   |      |   |      |   |      |   |       |   |       |

# CONDUCTIVITY VS AA

For White Liquor @ 100oC



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## **PHASE II TESTING**

- **COOKING LIQUOR**
- **BLACK LIQUOR**
- **LONG TERM RESPONSE**



***PROJECT 3716***

***ESTIMATING YIELD FOR THE PREDICTION OF END-USE  
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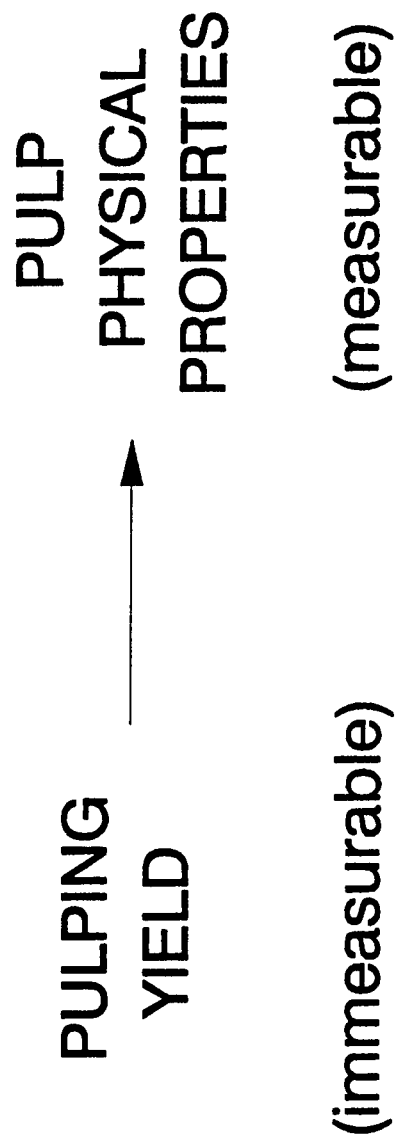
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## LIGNIN CONTENT AS A YIELD ESTIMATOR

| <u>PULPING PROCESS</u> | <u>YIELD</u> | <u>LIGNIN<br/>CONTENT</u> |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| CHEMICAL               | 50-60%       | 3-7%                      |
| SEMI-CHEMICAL          | 60-80%       | 10-20%                    |

INDUSTRY NEED

A SIMPLE ANALYSIS FOR SEMI-CHEMICAL  
PULP AND/OR LIQUOR THAT CAN QUICKLY  
AND RELIABLY:

- ESTIMATE YIELD
- PREDICT END-USE PROPERTIES

## **BENEFITS**

### **IMPROVED CONTROL OF:**

- **PULPING PROCESSES**
- **PRODUCT PROPERTIES**
  - **REDUCED VARIABILITY**
  - **EASIER MANIPULATION**

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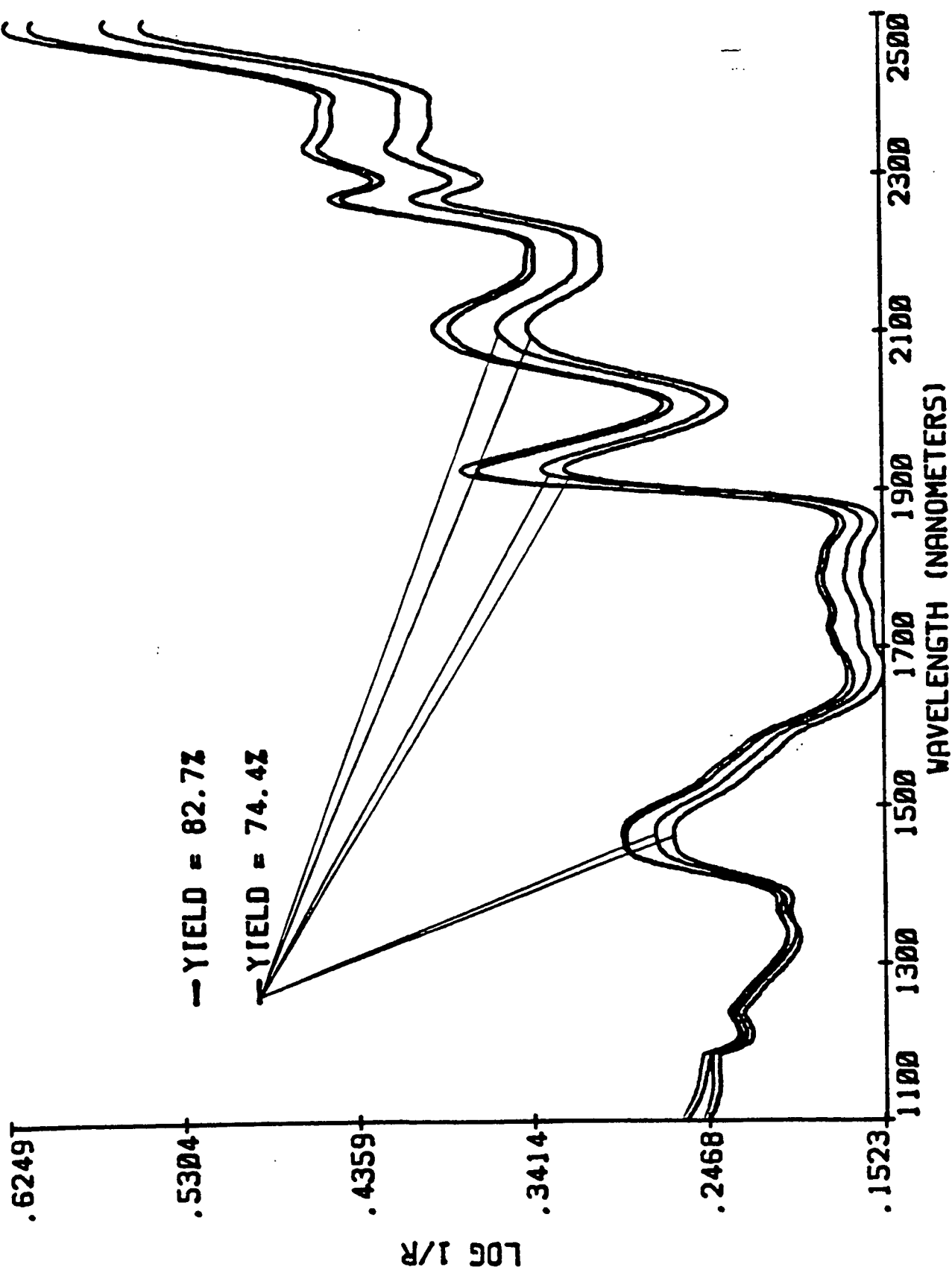
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3. DEVELOP CORRELATIONS BETWEEN  
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YIELD, AND END-USE PROPERTIES

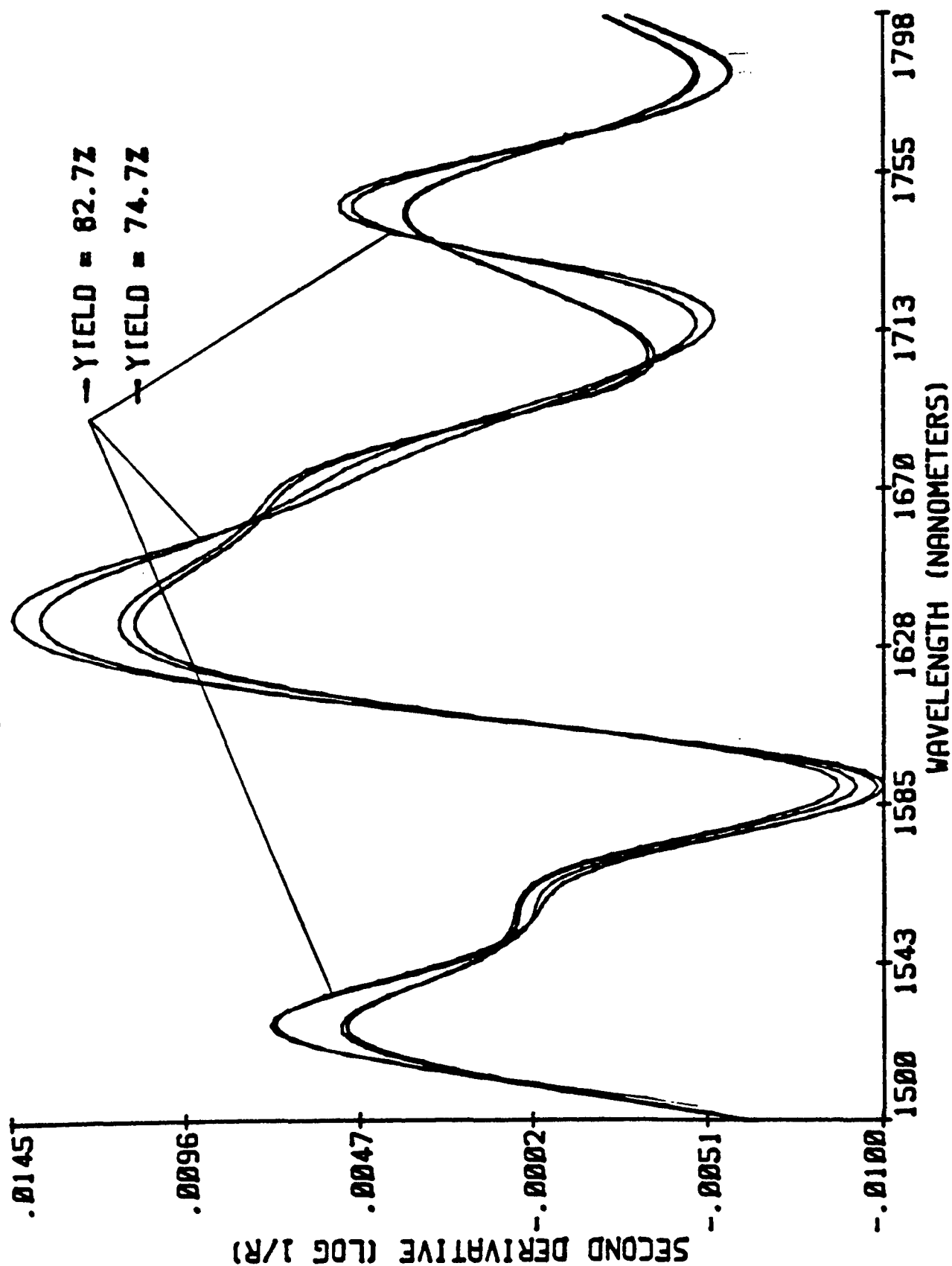
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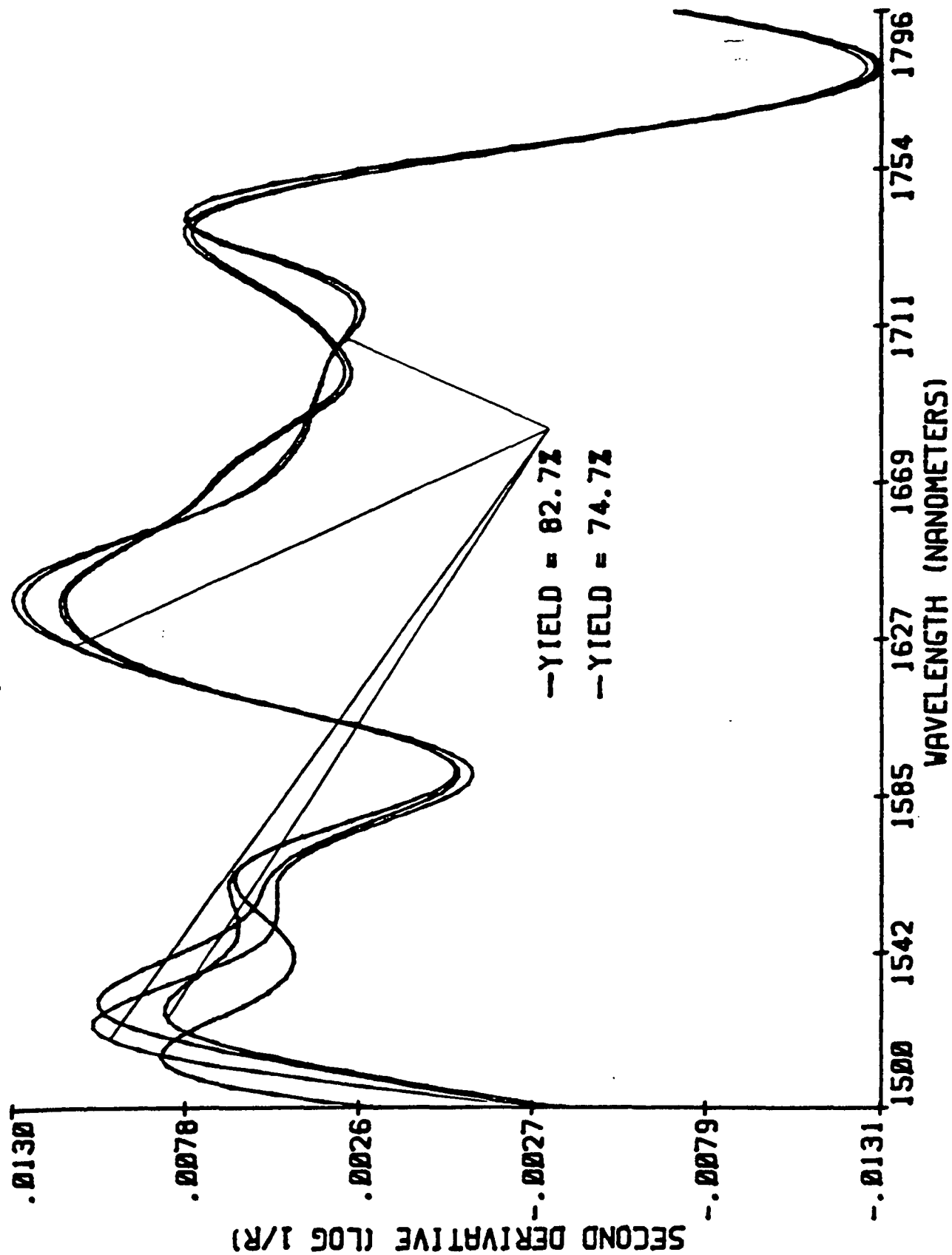
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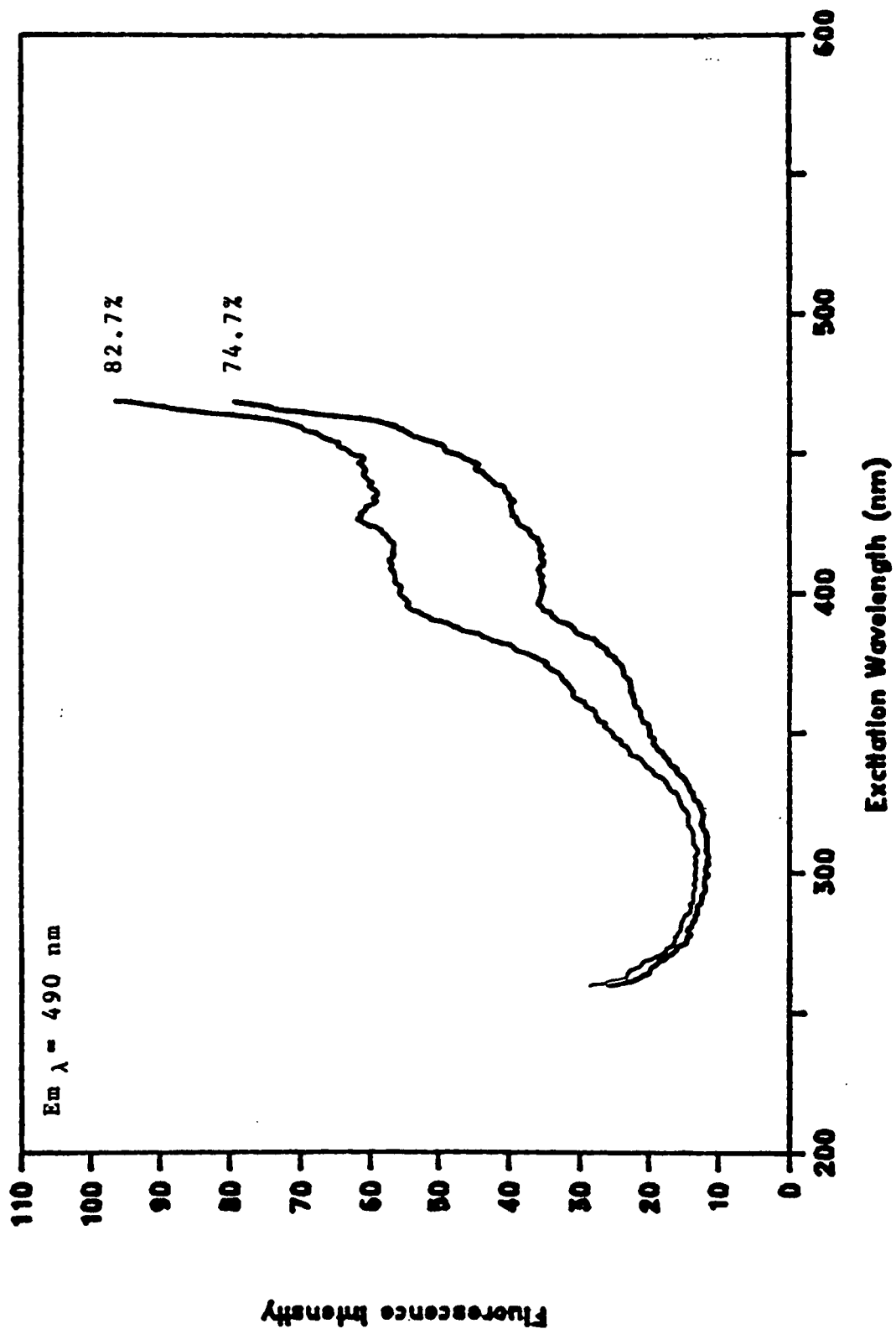


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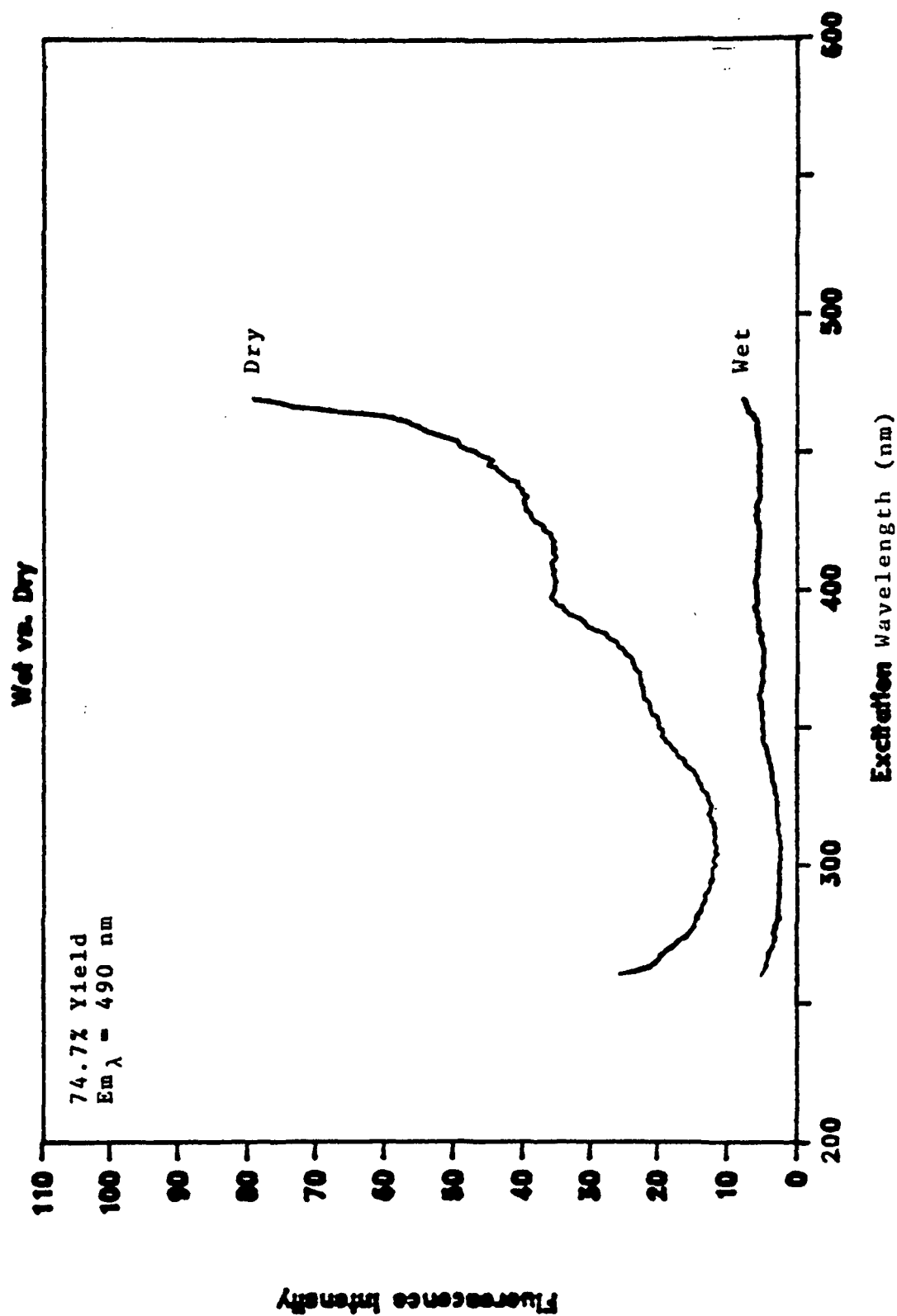


ULTRAVIOLET-VISIBLE  
LUMINESCENCE SPECTROSCOPY

# Excitation Spectra



# Excitation Spectra



## **CONCLUSION**

**INITIAL APPLICATIONS OF NEAR-INFRARED  
AND FLUORESCENCE SPECTROSCOPY  
SHOW CONSIDERABLE PROMISE**