



NOVEL POLYURETHANE COATINGS OBTAINED WITH POLYCARBONATE DIOL FOR PIPELINES WITH IMPROVED MECHANICAL PROPERTIES AND HYDROLYSIS RESISTANCE

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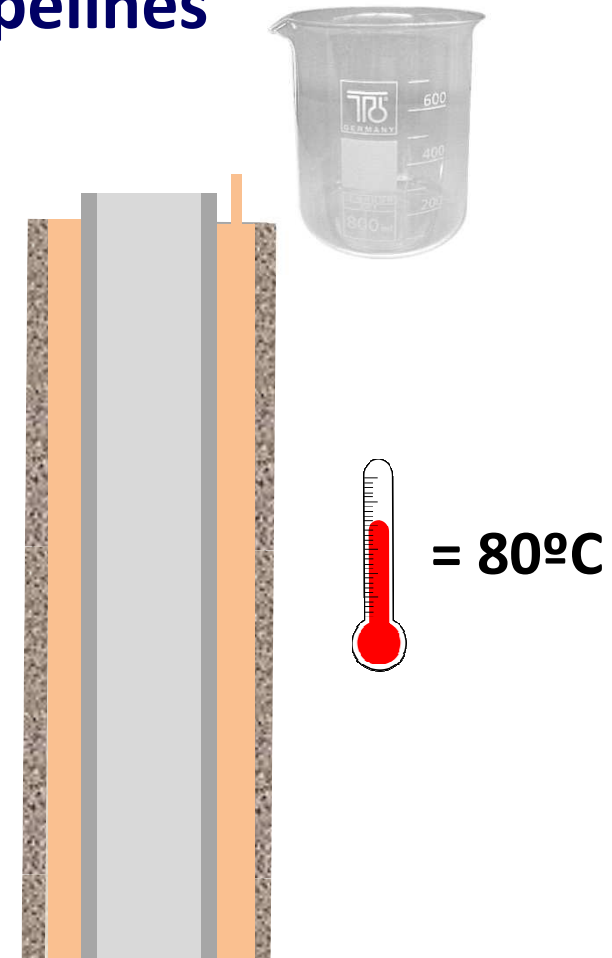
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➔ **Internal polyurethane coatings of pipelines for improving abrasion resistance**

➔ **Current coating : Polyether-based polyurethane**

Actual manufacturer procedure →



- ➔ Polyurethane coatings improved wear resistance of pipelines.

R.J.K. Wood, Y. Puget, K.R.Trethewey, K. Stokes. «***The performance of marine coatings and pipe materials under fluid-borne sand erosion***» Wear 219, 46-59 (1998)

- ➔ **Fillers and additives have been used to improve abrasion resistance of polyether and polyester-based polyurethane coatings**

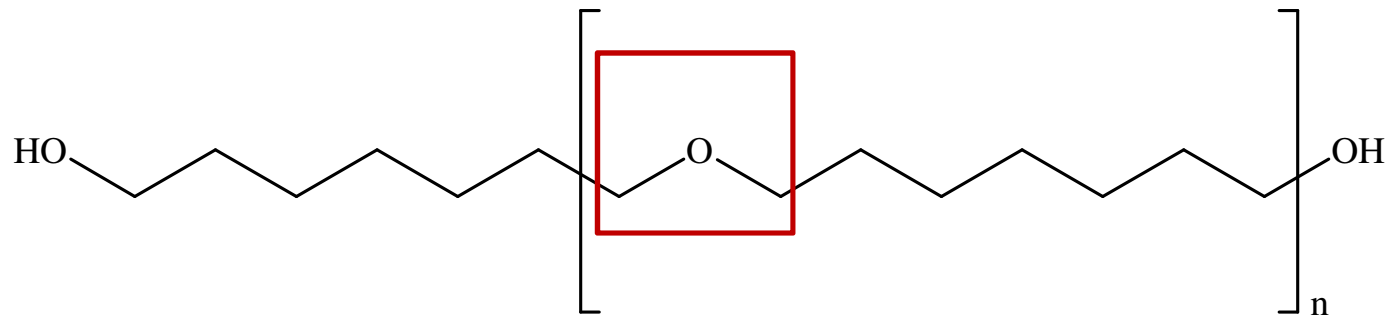
S. Zhou, L. Wu, J. Sun, W. Shen. «***Effect of nanosilica on the properties of polyester-based polyurethane***» Journal of Applied Polymer Science 88 (1), 189-193 (2003)

H. Song, Z. Zhang, X. Men, Z. Luo. «***A study of the tribological behavior of nano-ZnO-filled polyurethane composite coatings***» Wear 269 (1-2), 79-85 (2010)

- ➔ **Current drawbacks and limitations of PU as pipeline coating**
 - ✓ **Limited hydrolytic stability and chemical resistance**
 - ✓ **Additives for abrasion improvement are expensive**
 - ✓ **Frequent maintenance**

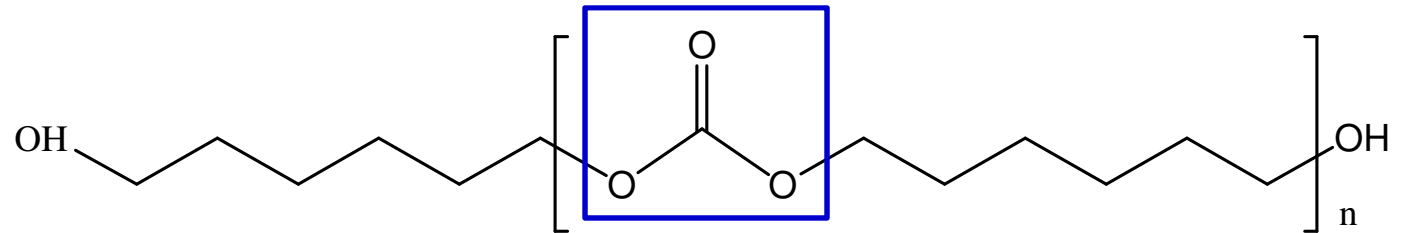
- ➔ Improved ageing resistance and adhesion have been shown in polycarbonate diol-based polyurethanes compared to polyether and polyester-based polyurethanes.

V. García-Pacios, M. Colera, Y. Iwata, J.M. Martín-Martínez.
«Incidence of the polyol nature in waterborne polyurethane dispersions on their performance as coatings as stainless steel» Progress in Organic Coatings 276 (12), 1726-1729 (2013)



Polyether

Polycarbonate diol



➔ Advantages of polycarbonate diols:

- ✓ Good durability
- ✓ Good properties at low temperature
- ✓ High chemical resistance
- ✓ High thermal stability
- ✓ High mechanical properties
- ✓ Excellent hydrolytic stability

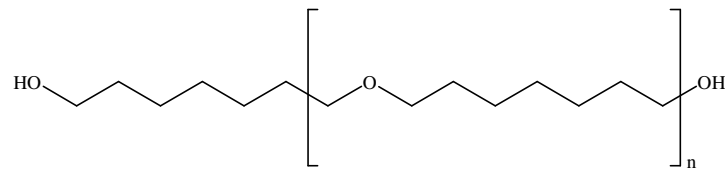
➔ *Objectives*

- ❑ Improving mechanical properties and abrasion resistance of PU coatings
- ❑ Improving durability of internal PU coatings for pipelines

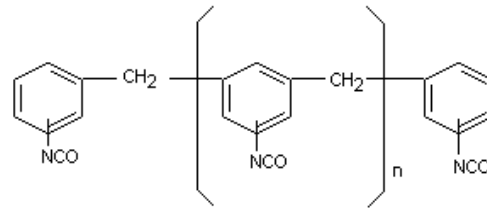
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SYNTHESIS OF PUs - OUR STRATEGY

➔ Polyurethane coatings («one shot» process):



Polyether diol + polycarbonate diol



Polymeric MDI



1,4-butanediol

POLYURETHANE

RAW MATERIALS

- ➔ **Polyols** {
- Polyether: Polytetramethyleneglycol (PTMEG)
 - Polycarbonate diol MW = 500

Polytetramethyleneglycol

PTMEG

$M_w = 1000$ Da



Eternacoll® polycarbonate diol

$M_w = 500$ Da

RAW MATERIALS

- ➔ **Isocyanate: Polymeric MDI (pMDI)**
- ➔ **Chain extender: 1,4-butanediol**

EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES

➔ Thermal gravimetric analysis

Thermal properties were measured using thermal gravimetric analysis (TGA) in TGA system by heating from room temperature to 800°C at 10°C/min under nitrogen atmosphere

EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES

➔ Differential Scanning Calorimetry

The structure of the polyurethanes was analyzed by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) using DSC system by heating from -70°C to 100°C at $10^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$ under nitrogen atmosphere followed by cooling down to -70°C and carrying out a second heating from -70°C to 100°C at $10^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$.

EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES

➔ **Wear resistance- ASTM D4060**

Abrasion resistance was evaluated using rotational abrameter with an abrasive wheel according to ISO 54701 standard.

EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES

➔ Optical microscopy



EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES

➔ Shore A hardness: ISO 868:2003



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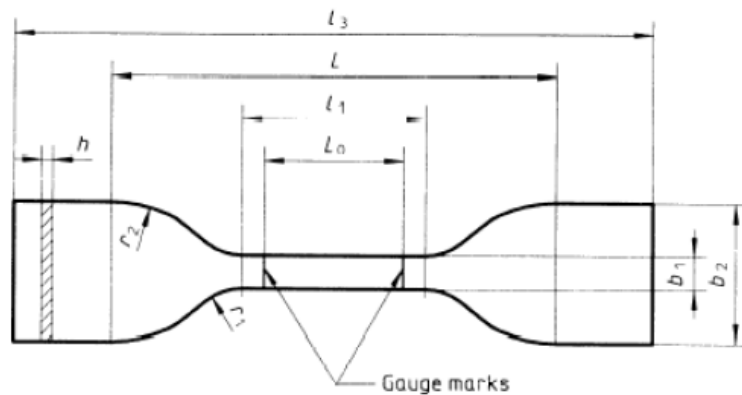
➔ Mechanical properties



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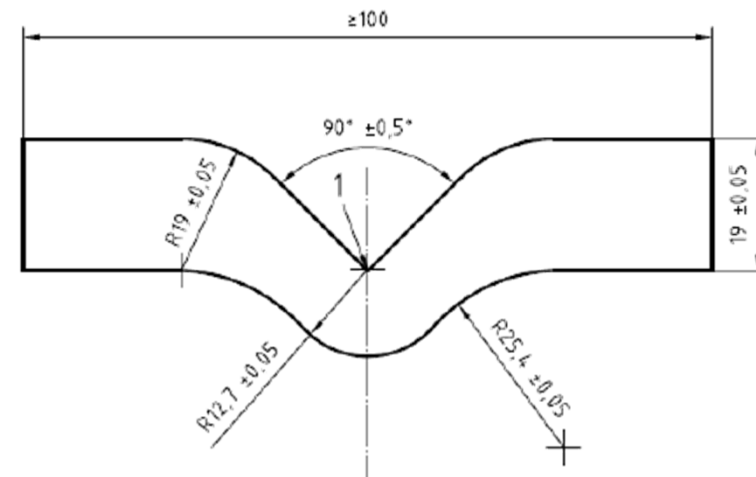
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STRESS - STRAIN



ISO 37-2:2005

TEAR STRENGTH



ISO 34-1:2004

EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES

➔ **Hydrolysis resistance: ASTM D471**

**Soaking specimens of polyurethanes in water
(70°C during 500 hours)**

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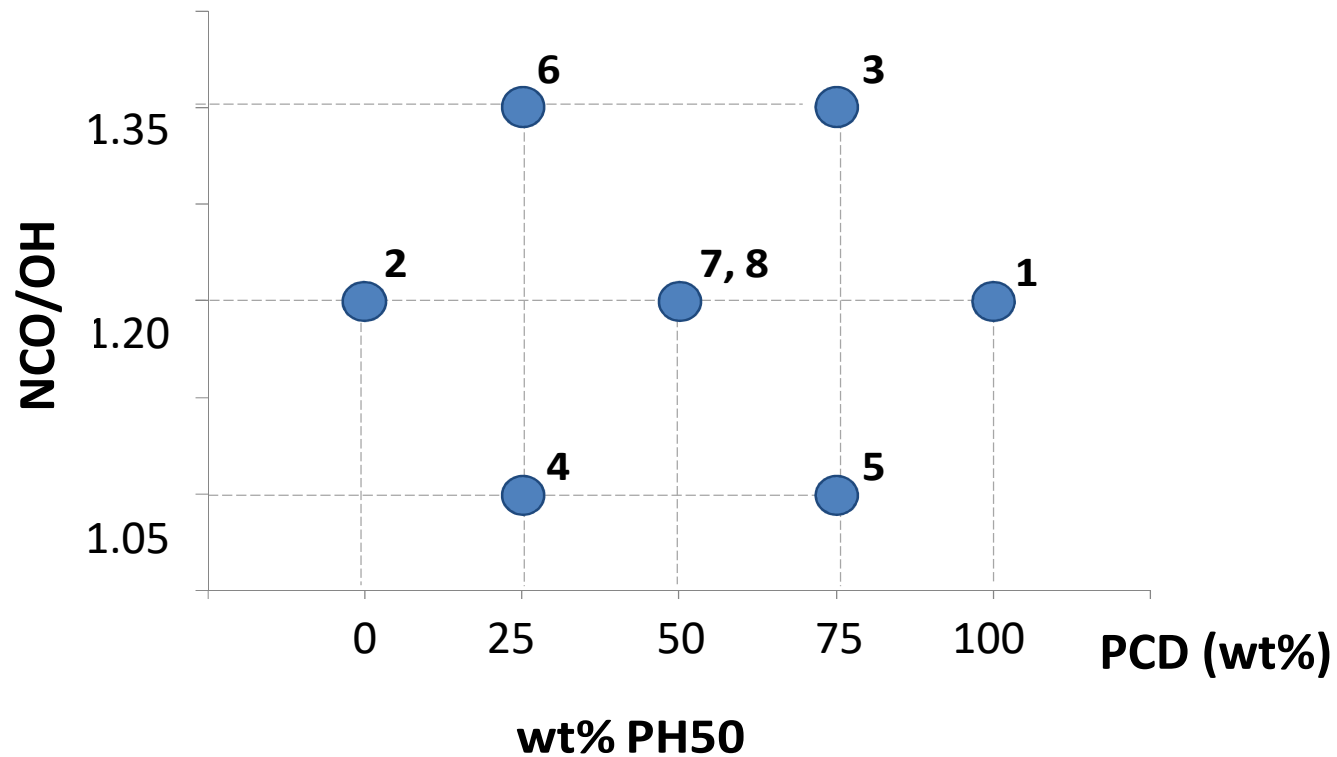
- ➔ **Use of experimental design approach
(study different variables simultaneously)**

- ➔ **Variables to study:**
 - ✓ *Weight content of PCD in polyol mixture
(polyether + PCD)*

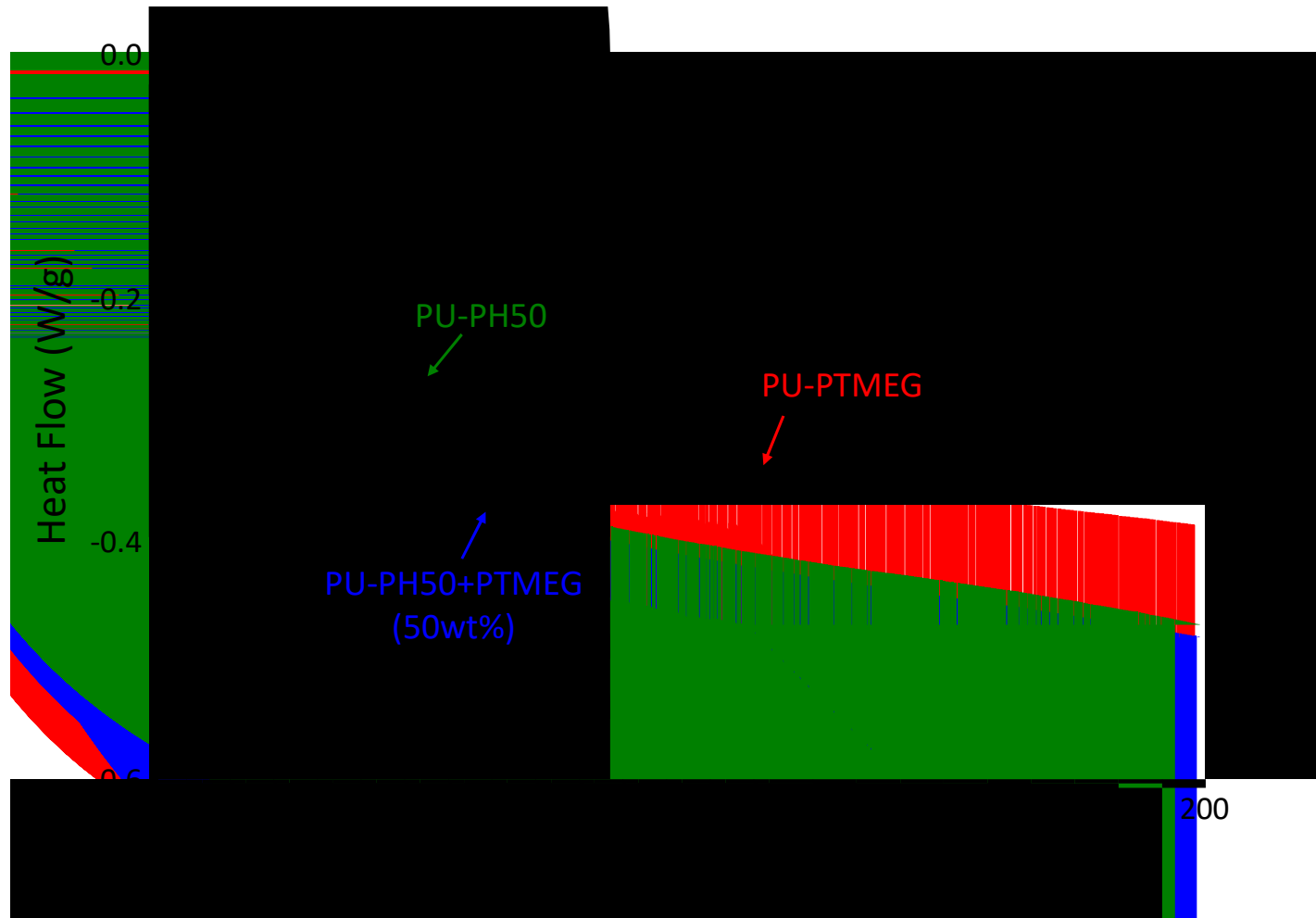
 - ✓ *NCO/OH ratio*

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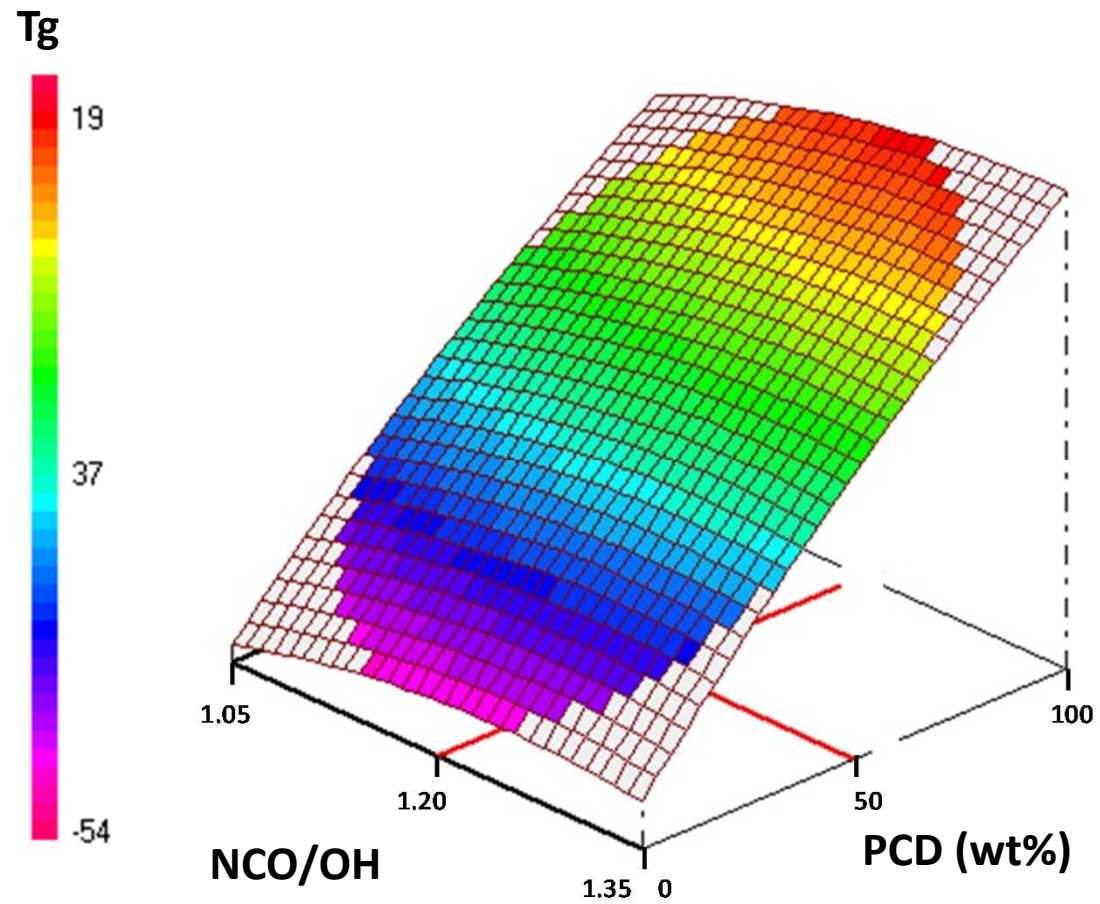
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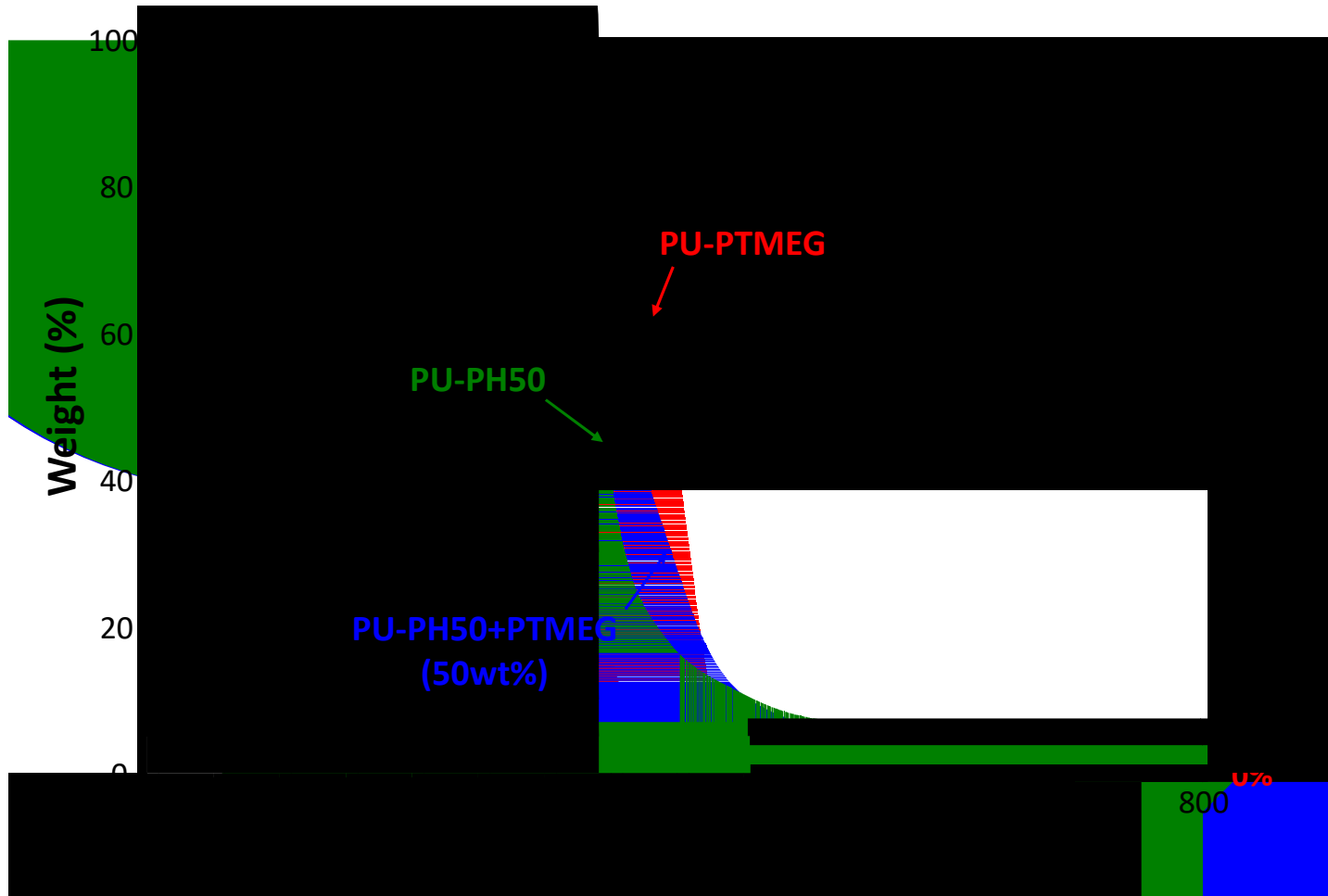


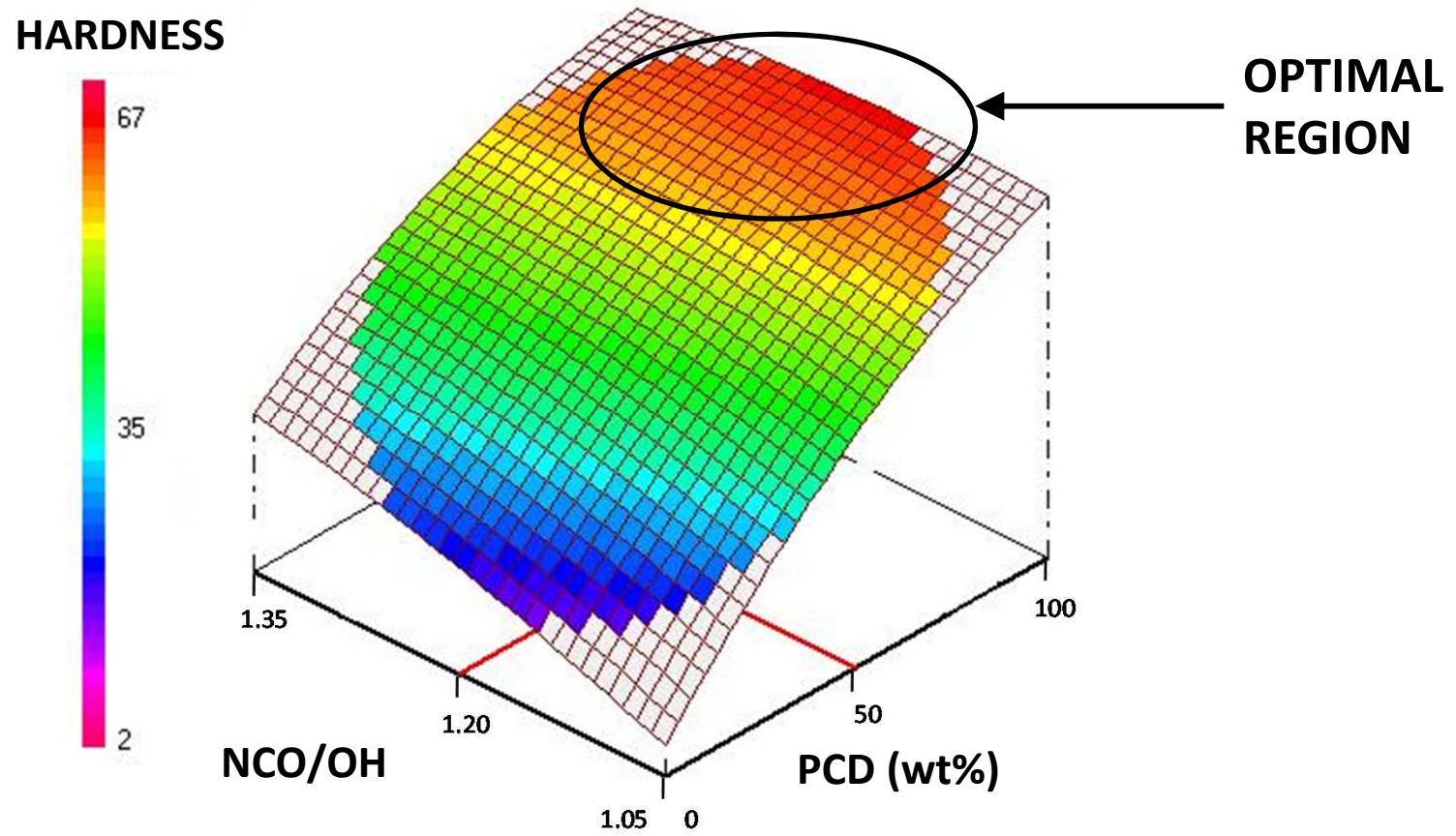
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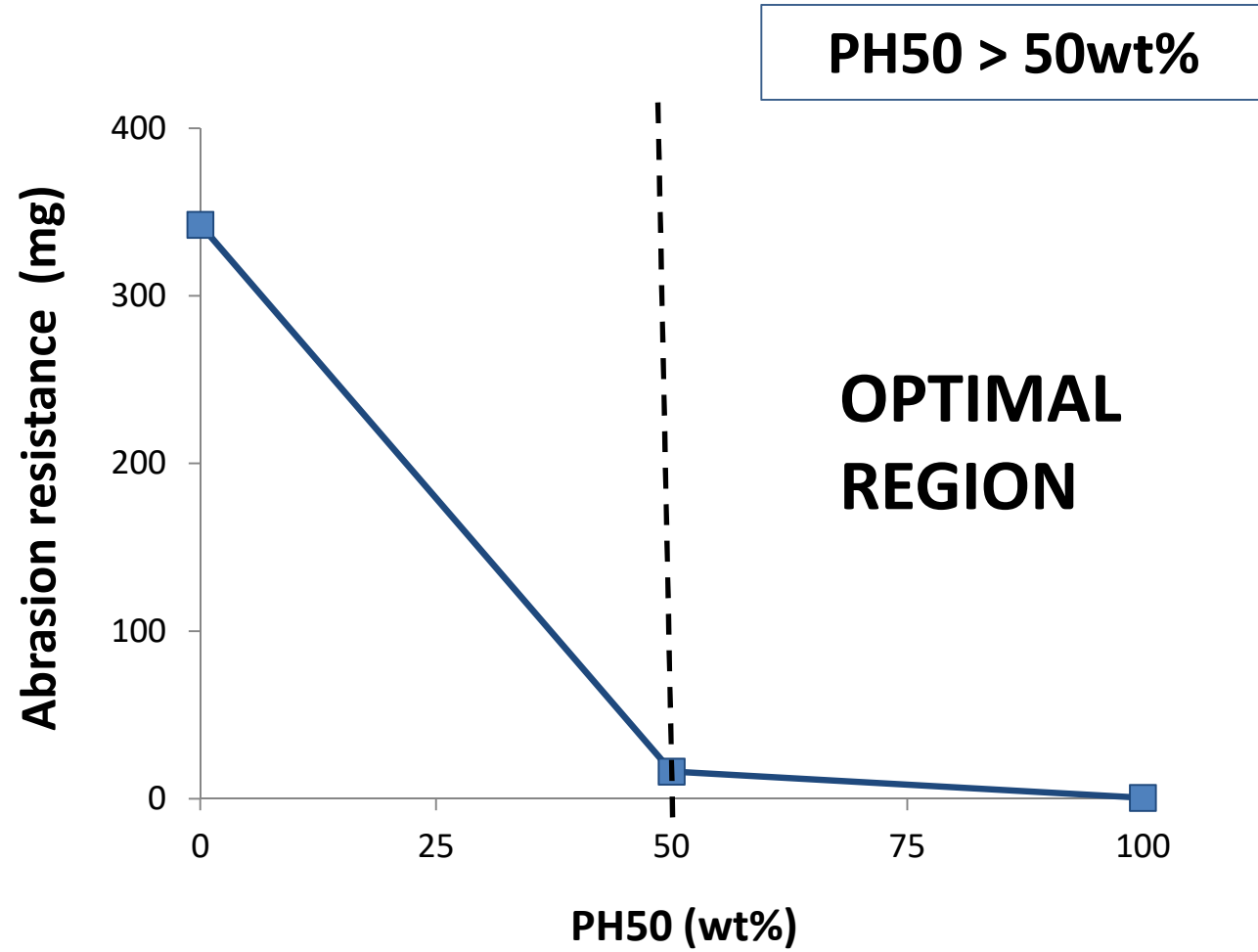


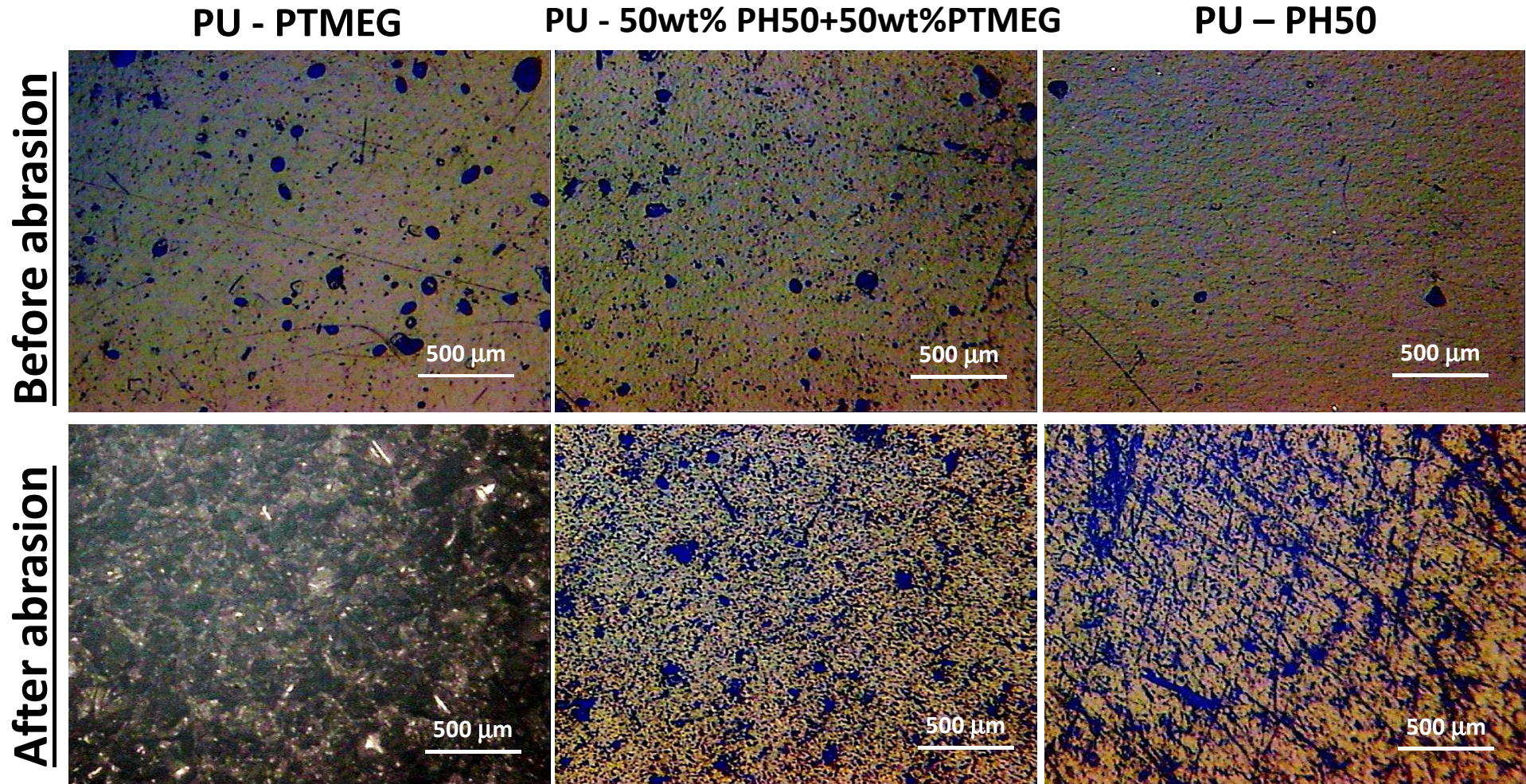
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0	1.20	-48
5	1.35	4
5	1.05	-37
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5	1.35	-31
0	1.20	-17
0	1.20	-17

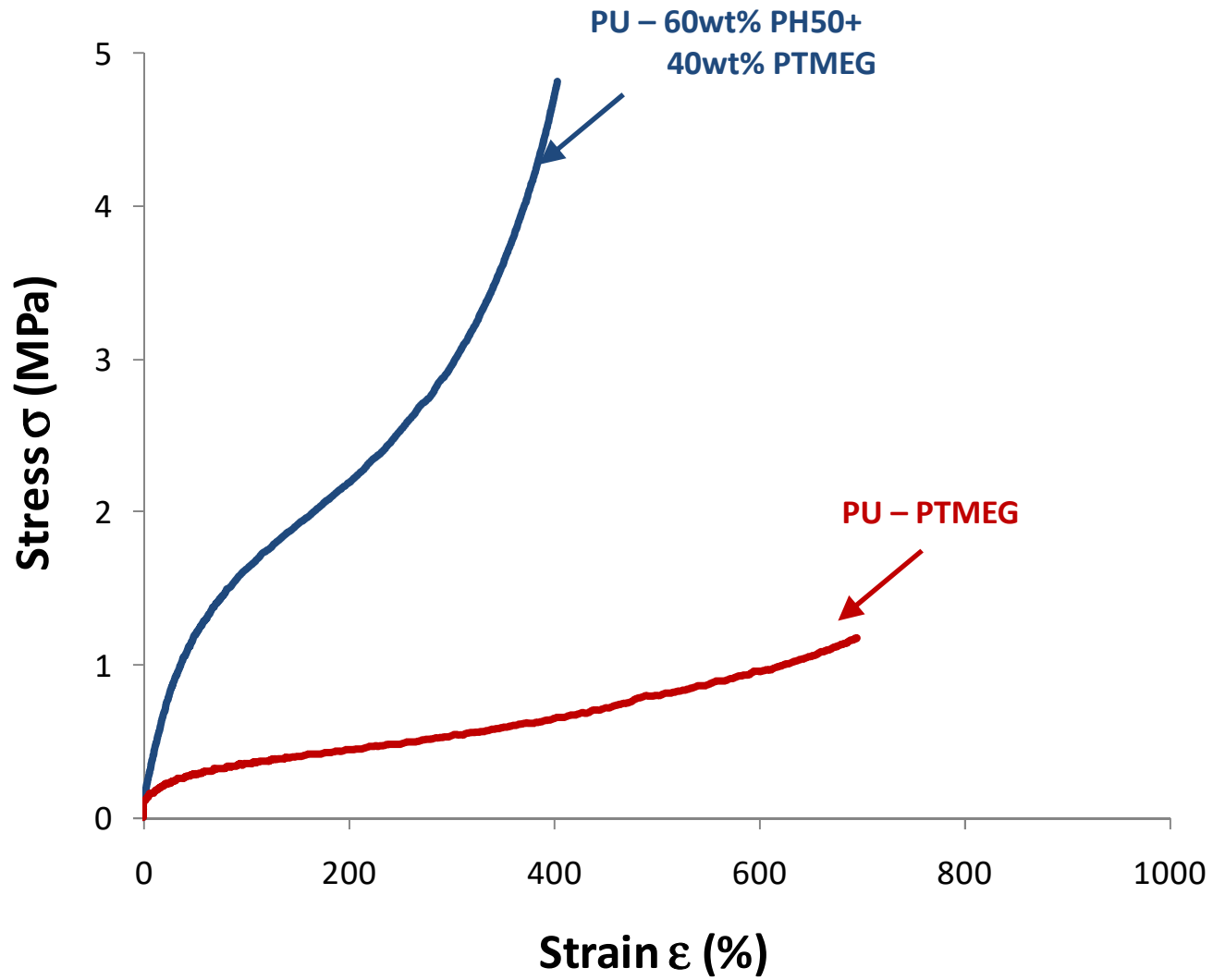


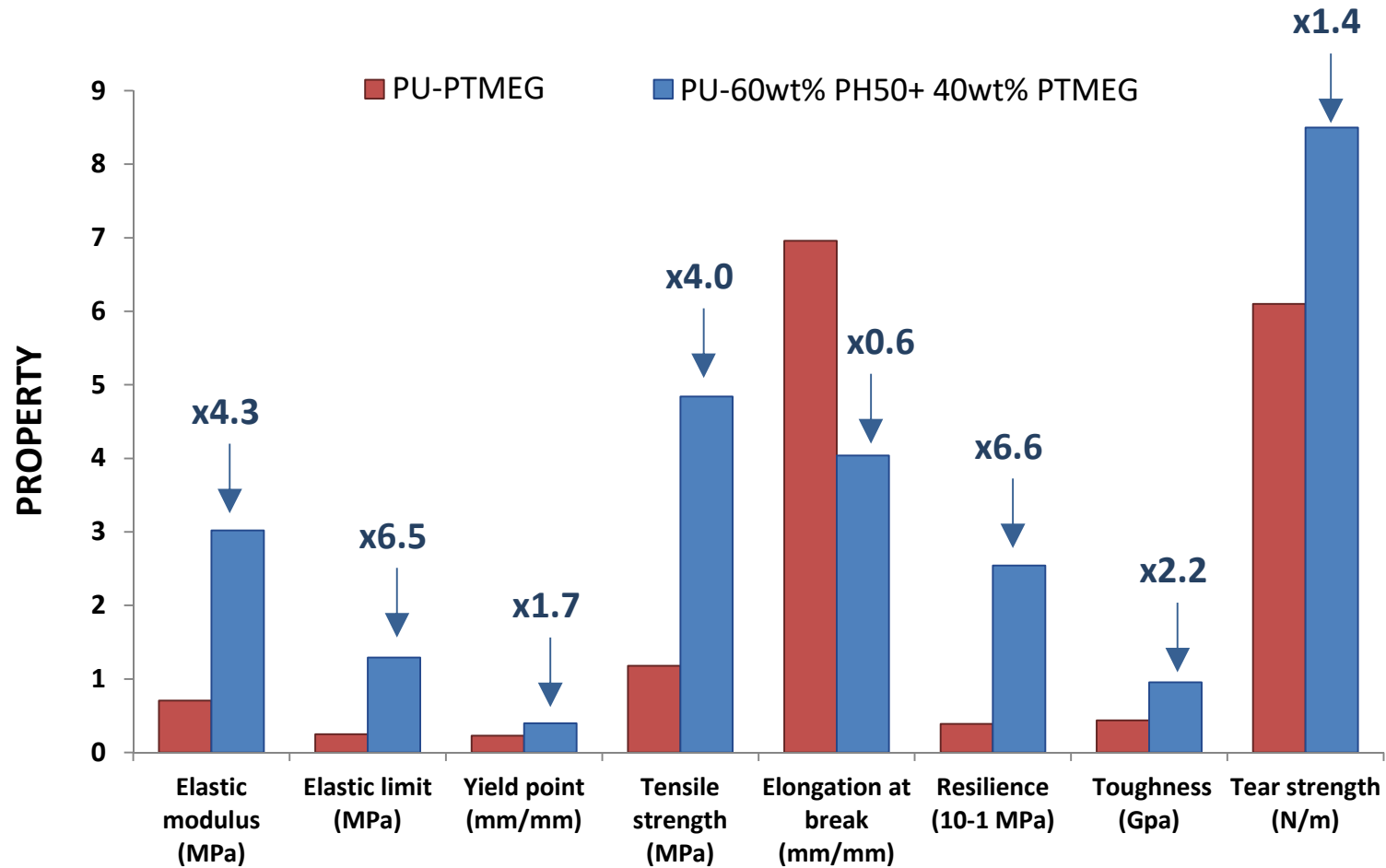


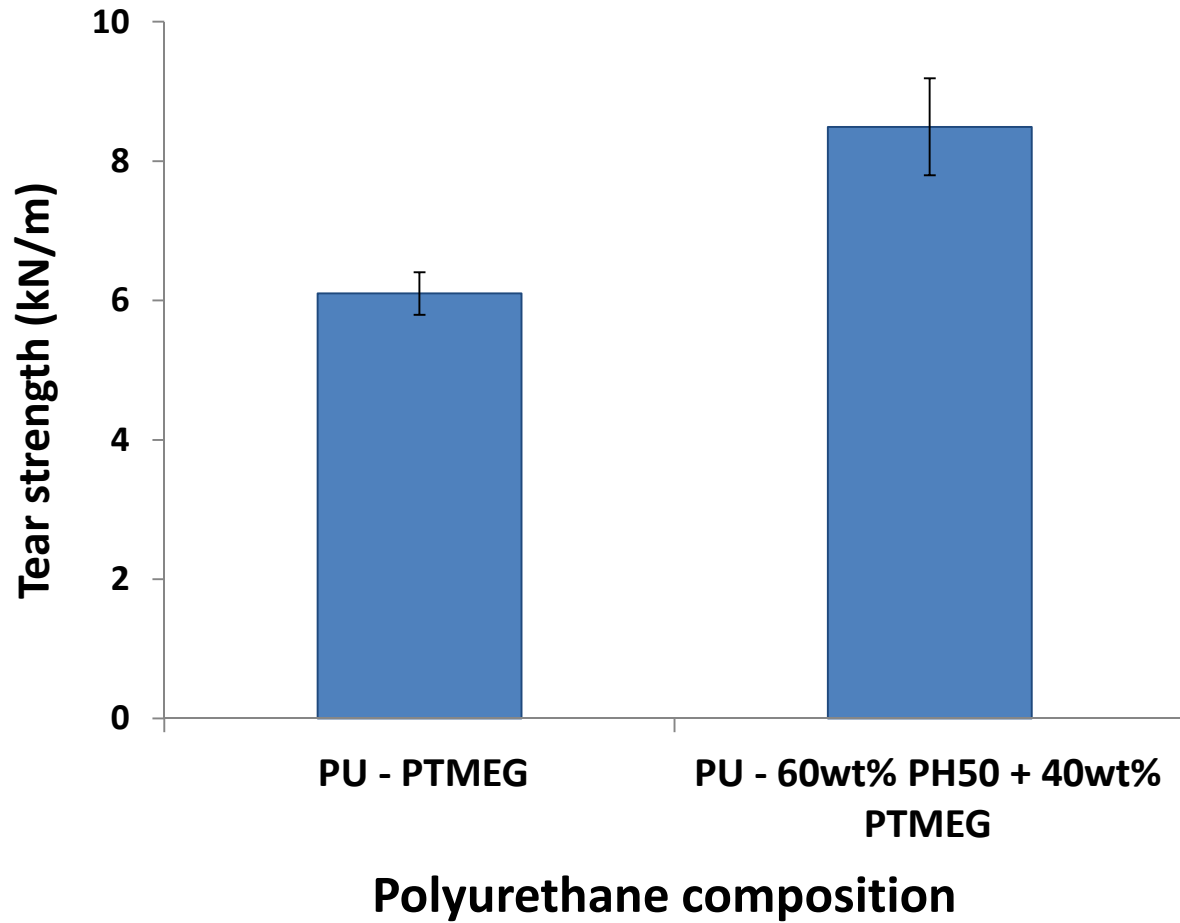








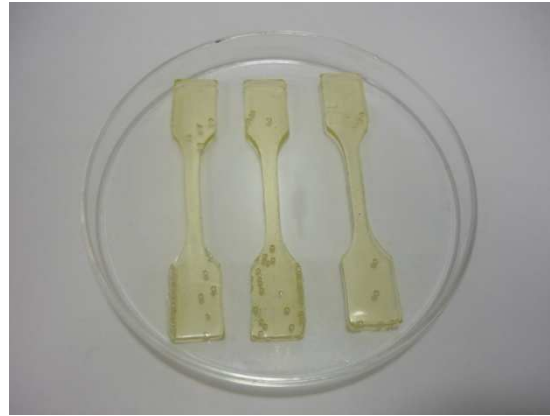




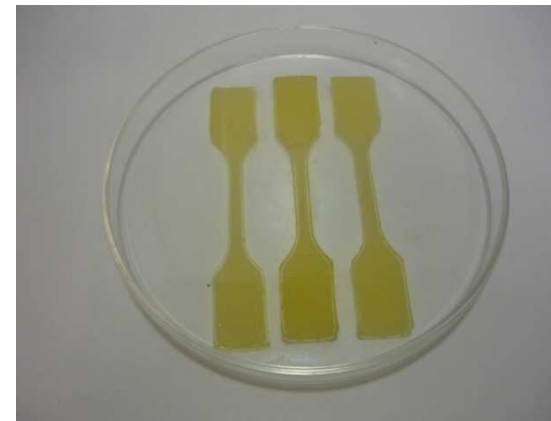
PU - PTMEG

PU - 60 wt% PH50 + 40 wt% PTMEG

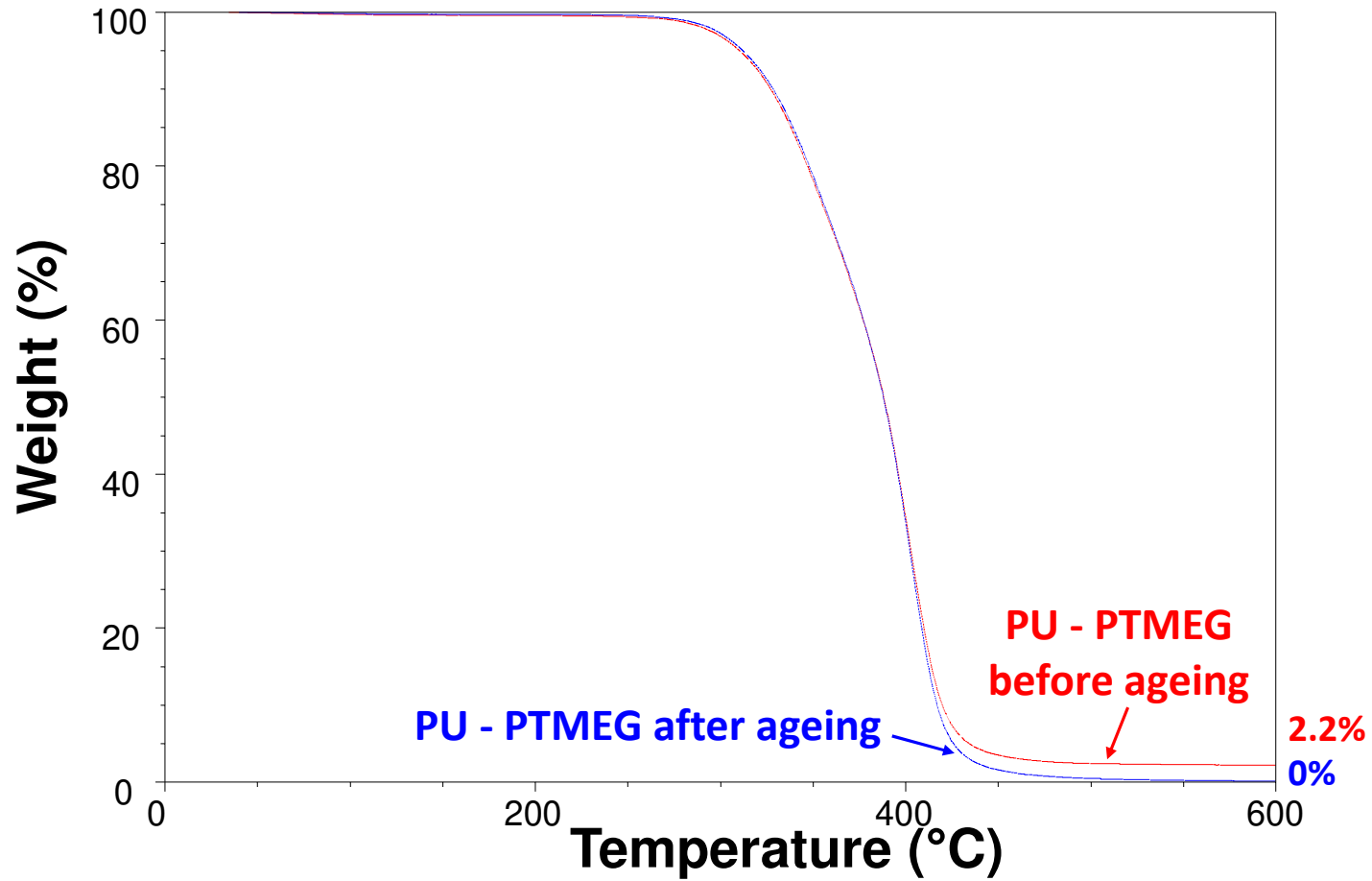
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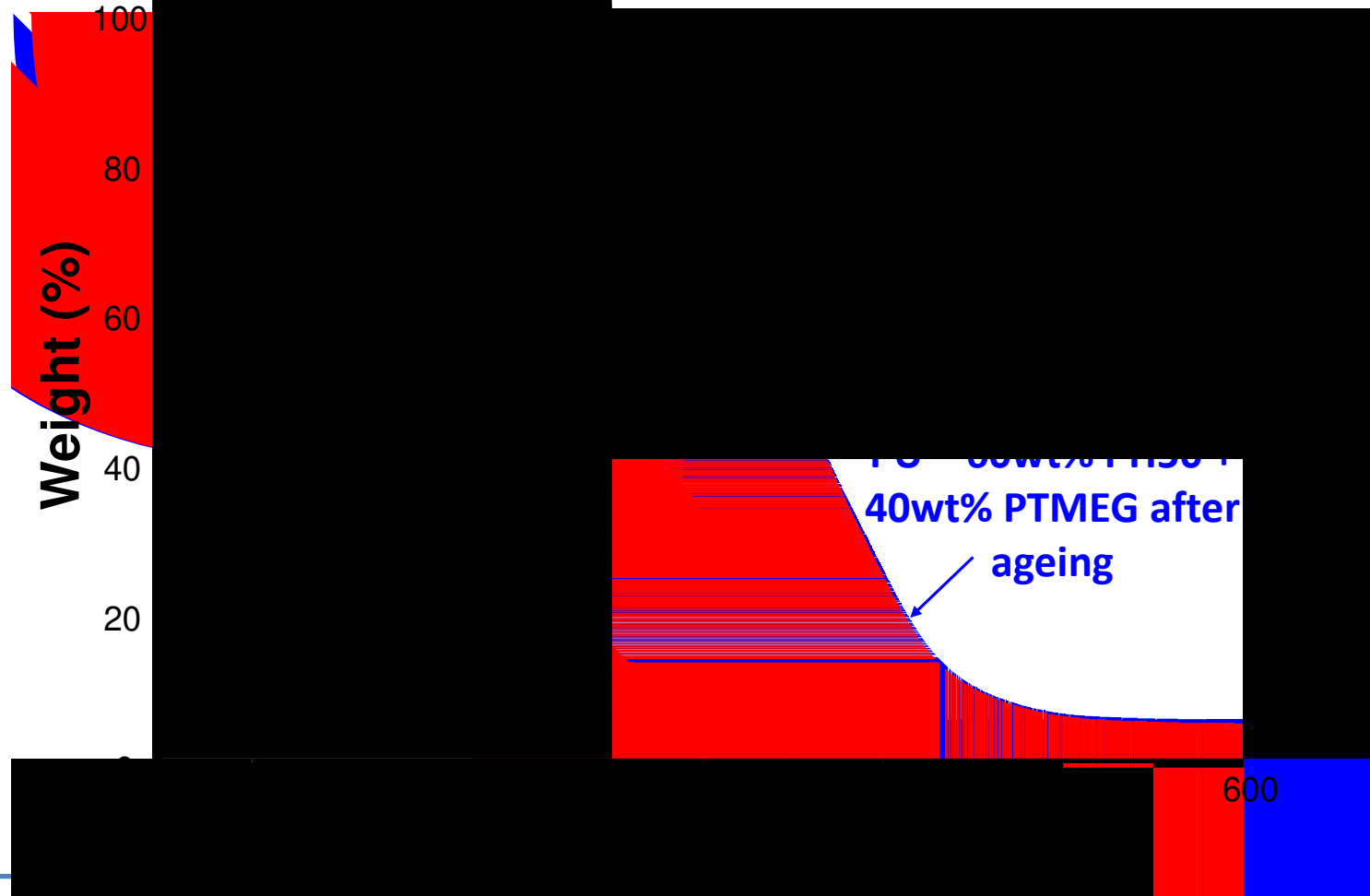
After ageing

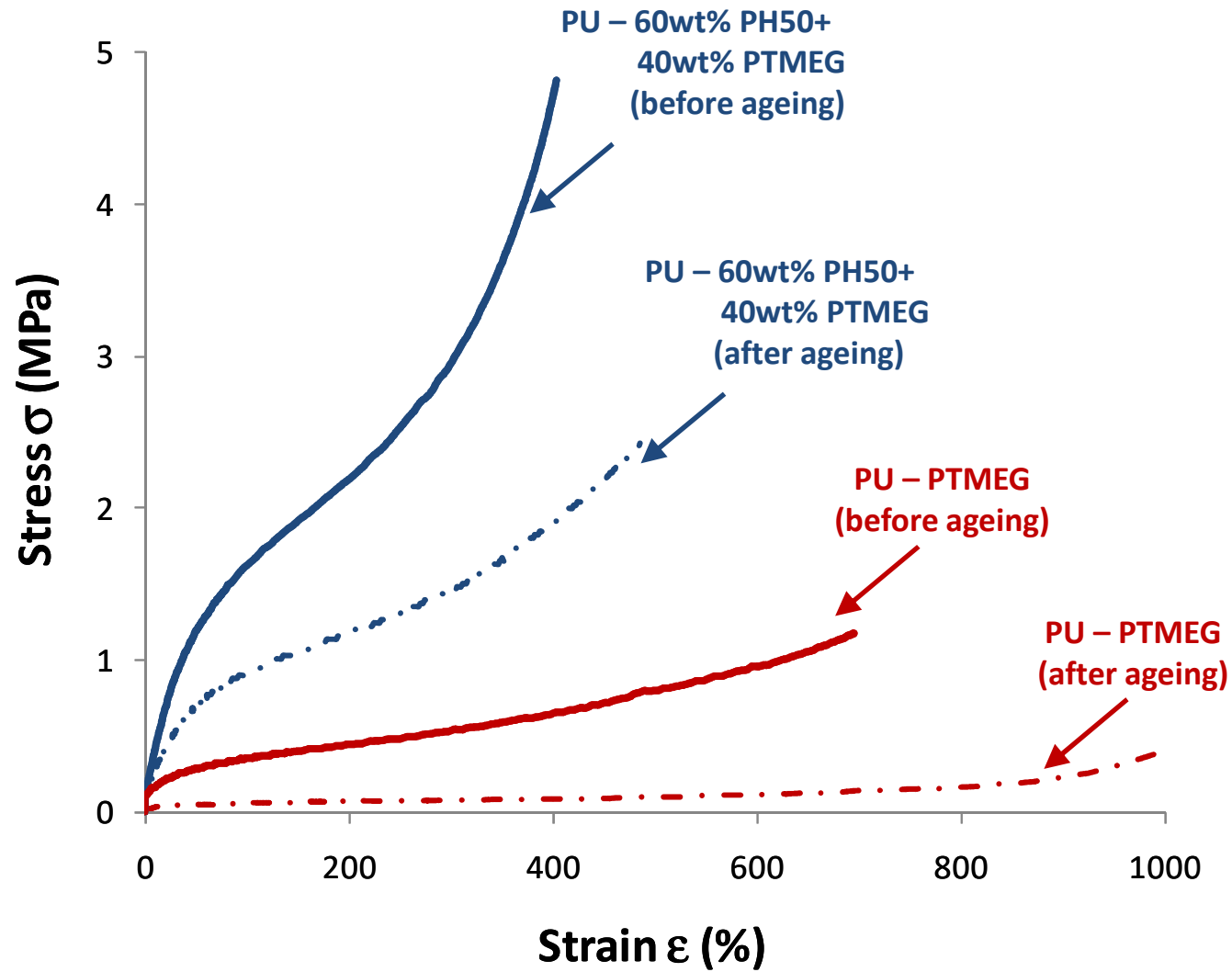


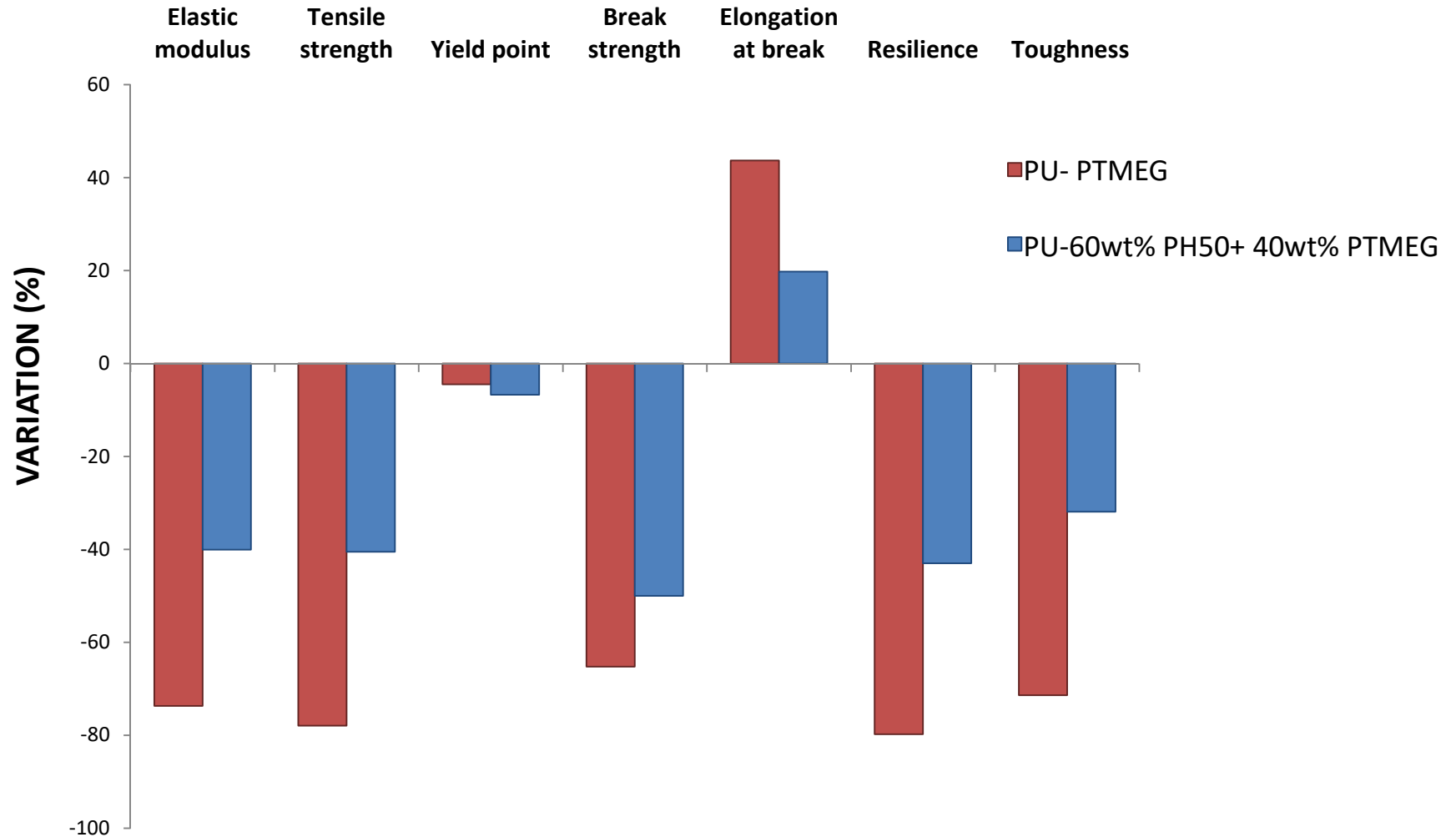
- PU - PTMEG



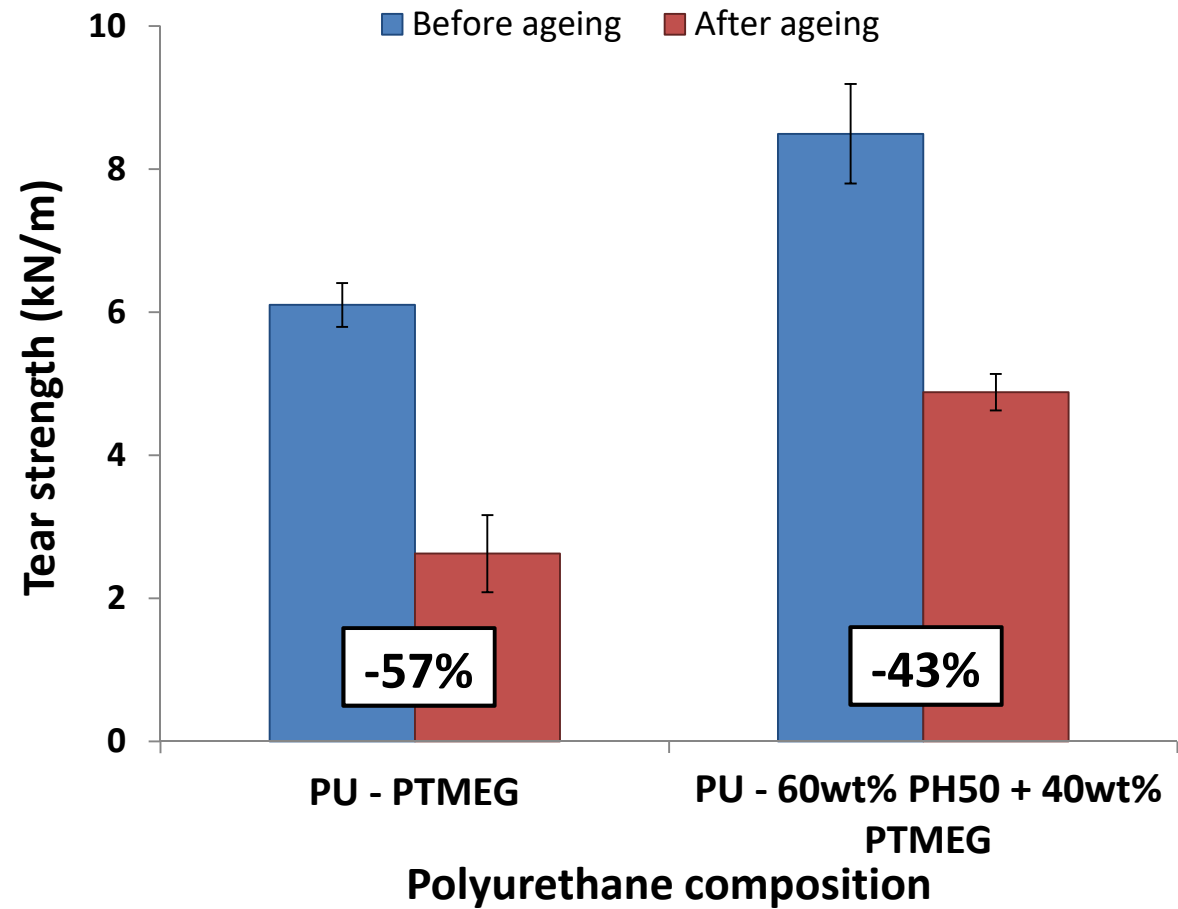
- PU – 60wt% PTMEG







$$\% \text{ VARIATION} = \frac{P_{final} - P_{initial}}{P_{initial}} \times 100$$



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- ➔ **Addition of polycarbonate diol → Huge improvement in the mechanical properties of PUs**
- ➔ **PU coating losses by abrasion can be minimized by using polycarbonate diol content higher than 50 wt% in the polyol**
- ➔ **PU coatings with polycarbonate diol showed higher hydrolytic stability and lesser losses of properties after hydrolytic degradation**

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