

NEW ADDITIVES INDUCE THIXOTROPY,  
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About twelve years ago a Union Carbide exploration geologist was tramping through central California in search of nickel or other metallic mineral deposits which would be of value to the Corporation. Although neither of us realized it in 1957, what he found is what I'm here to talk about this evening:

CALIDRIA ASBESTOS

The word "asbestos" is a commercial term applied to several fibrous silicate minerals which are fire-proof and capable of being processed into flexible fibers. Although there are six different varieties of asbestos, chrysotile is by far the most common and accounts for some 90% of world production. Canada produces 1½ million tons per year, while in the United States small quantities are mined in Vermont, Arizona and California. California accounts for over 50% of U.S. production.

There are certain characteristics which are unique to chrysotile asbestos, and which make it the most-used variety:

1. A lower index of refraction, 1.51 to 1.55
2. Softest and most flexible fibers
3. Positive or cationic surface charge
4. High tensile strength, up to 800,000 psi

Figure 1 compares the physical properties of the six different types of asbestos, and you will note the major disadvantage of chrysotile is poor resistance to acid. However, in spite of this, it is estimated that chrysotile asbestos is found in over 3000 applications.

The Source of CALIDRIA Asbestos is a unique deposit located in the southern part of the Diablo Mountain range, in Fresno and San Benito Counties (see Figure 2). It is in what is known as the New Idria mining district, which has long been famous as the oldest producing mercury mine in the United States. All exploration activities were centered in the nearby town of Coalinga, and the deposits became known as Coalinga Asbestos.

The Coalinga deposit is unique for several reasons, not the least being that it is thought to be the largest single mineral deposit in the world. Rich asbestos ore has been found over an area of 40-50 square miles, and to depths of over 500 feet. Conservative estimates indicate that over one hundred million tons of Chrysotile asbestos are available. Of course Union Carbide does not control all the claims and is not the only company mining the deposit. But, based on exhaustive drilling programs, we feel that we have the richest deposits and ample ore supply for up to one hundred years of operation. Although mine owners try to keep such information confidential, Canada's ore reserves have been estimated at less than 50 million tons.

Chrysotile asbestos occurs only in serpentine, a fine-grained rock composed almost entirely of hydrous magnesium silicate minerals similar to chrysotile in composition. Figure 3 depicts its crystal structure. The Canadian and most other deposits of serpentine contain chrysotile in cross-fiber veins that are rarely more than half an inch thick. A typical ore contains only 6-10% fiber, of random lengths and tightly bonded together in a parallel configuration. (see Figure 4).

The Coalinga deposit bears little resemblance to other serpentine bodies found throughout the world since most of the mass has been highly sheared and pulverized. It consists of soft, friable sheets and clumps of asbestos fibers, and the only other known ore body of this type is the Stragari deposit

in Yugoslavia. In contrast to the cross-fiber arrangement of conventional ores, the Coalinga deposit occurs as a swirling mesh of disoriented fibers (see Figure 5). Each fiber or fiber bundle is only in point contact with its neighbor. The "fiber assay" of the ore we process ranges from 50-60% and is all classed as short fiber, similar to a Canadian Grade 7.

As mentioned before typical Canadian deposits yield varying fiber lengths, ranging from several inches down to several microns. These are designated by Canadian standards from Grade 3 (spinning fibers) to Grade 7 (shorts and floats). In addition to removing large quantities of rock from asbestos fibers, the fibers must also be classified by length. Conventional Canadian processing methods include blasting, crushing, grinding, and air classifying. Figure 6 shows the result of processing coalinga ore by the very best dry methods. Fiber bundles are still very much in evidence and the full potential of the fiber cannot be utilized.

We mine the asbestos ore by conventional open pit methods. After scraping off 10 to 20 feet of overburden, ripper-equipped bulldozers and self-propelled scrapers are used to remove the ore from the deposit. The ore is loaded into bottom-dump trailers through a 3/4-inch screen and hauled to the mill site. Because of the high production rates obtainable with a minimum amount of equipment, the mine is operated only during the summer season. Inclement weather and poor road conditions preclude efficient operations during other parts of the year. Now let me summarize the unusual characteristics of the Coalinga deposit:

1. All chrysotile
2. All short-fiber
3. Random-oriented fibers
4. Over 50% fiber content
5. About 20% moisture content

To take advantage of the unique features of the Coalinga deposit, Union Carbide developed a hydraulic beneficiation process to provide the product shown in Figure 7. Conventional mineral processing techniques such as wet screening and grinding, are utilized; but the process is proprietary and I cannot describe it in detail. I can say that it consists primarily of three systems: rock-fiber separation, refining, and special treatment. This provides us with three basic product categories: fiber, colloidal and modified. Lets take a close look at the fiber before we proceed to a discussion of particular grades and their various applications. It is this individual fiber, its purity and liberation, which makes CALIDRIA Asbestos different from any other asbestos product available today.

You will remember from Figure 3, depicting the crystal structure of chrysotile asbestos, that there is a slight curvature in the configuration. This represents the tubular form of the fibers, which consist of about ten concentric layers of brucite (magnesium hydroxide) and silica. The tubes have an external diameter of  $260\text{\AA}$  and an internal diameter of  $110\text{\AA}$ . Electron micrographs, recently made in Japan of the ends of the fibers, have proven the tubular theory. The length of the fibers varies greatly, probably from 100 to 1000 times the diameter; but we feel that the average L/D ratio is about 200. This means that the average fiber length is about 5 microns; and, from this, we have estimated that there are  $10^{14}$  fibrils in one gram of CALIDRIA Asbestos. (For mathematic buffs this means that if all the fibers in one gram were placed end to end they would stretch out 300,000 miles).

But let's look at some more practical and measurable numbers and physical characteristics. From strictly geometrical considerations, an assemblage of closely packed hollow tubes with the diameters mentioned previously

would have a surface area of 105 square meters per gram ( $35\text{m}^2/\text{g}$  internal and  $70\text{m}^2/\text{g}$  external). Based on BET-nitrogen tests, our asbestos products have surface areas of 60 to  $80\text{m}^2/\text{g}$ . This compares to 10 to  $30\text{m}^2/\text{g}$  for average Canadian asbestos, and verifies the electron microscope observations that there is little or no foreign material between the fibers. Also, since we use a wet process, the tube interiors are probably cleaned out to some extent.

Some interesting values are shown in Figure 8 and should facilitate a comparison between asbestos and materials with which you are more familiar.

To summarize, CALIDRIA chrysotile asbestos fibers have the following important characteristics:

1. High surface area,  $60\text{-}80\text{m}^2/\text{g}$
2. High tensile strength, up to 800,000 psi
3. Cationic surface charge
4. Colloidal form, average L/D of 200
5. Extremely high purity, 90-99% fiber
6. Essentially inert
7. High temperature stability to about  $700^\circ\text{C}$ .
8. Low refractive index, 1.51-1.55

As I mentioned previously Canadian asbestos is classified by fiber length into Grades 3 through 7, described as follows:

Grade 3 - Spinning fibre

4 - Shingle fibre

5 - Paper fibre

6 - Waste

7 - Shorts

Grade 7 is divided into numerous sub-grades, such as: 7D, 7M, 7R, 7T, etc.; which have slightly different characteristics. Figure 9 compares the

"average" Canadian Grade 7 with CALIDRIA products.

Figure 10 shows all the CALIDRIA products and their major market applications. The discussion which follows, to the best of my ability, will be about products and applications of direct interest to you.

I don't know if the tape joint, or drywall industry is considered to be in the coatings field; if not, it is certainly a related area. Figure 11 shows a typical ready-mix tape joint compound utilizing CALIDRIA S-G 210. The important factor to note is that the S-G 210 content is only one half the usual amount of asbestos used in such a formulation. Mineral content and water demand are maintained constant by increasing the inexpensive limestone addition. Textured coatings utilize two other products: S-G 130, a coarser grind than S-G 210, and T-135, a titanated asbestos product.

To digress just a moment, T-135 is colloidal, or High Purity Asbestos co-flocculated with anatase  $\text{TiO}_2$ . It was the first of our modified products. Figure 12 is an electron micrograph which shows how the  $\text{TiO}_2$  particles are dispersed along the fibers. They are bound together by their opposite electrical charge and cannot be separated by mechanical energy. T-135, in the paper industry, usually replaces  $\text{TiO}_2$  on a pound-for-pound basis with no loss in brightness or opacity. This is due to the efficient dispersion of the  $\text{TiO}_2$  by the asbestos fibers. T-135 is just being introduced to the texture coating formulators and is showing very good promise as a valuable additive. Good body and high brightness can be achieved with a single product.

The potential for an asbestos/rutile product is obvious and we are working toward that end. Even though CALIDRIA fiber is very small, the particle size is presently too large for widespread application in finish coatings,

especially interior.

An application where the particle size has been adequately small to really offer some advantages is in asphalt compounds. CALIDRIA Resin Grade 110 was developed for this application, especially in automobile undercoatings, and has proved to be quite valuable. Figure 13 shows the improved thickening efficiency of R-G 110 in a coal tar residue (CP-524). Besides offering good bodying at low concentrations, R-G 110 is essentially non-abrasive and meets the demanding performance of airless spray applications.

Viscosity and thixotropy are two very important words used when talking about liquid resin systems. Viscosity, of course, is a measure of a material's resistance to flow; or, as Webster so aptly puts it: "the state of being viscous". (You can check this when you get home, but he defines VISCOUS as "having viscosity".) Webster, at least in his Collegiate Edition, avoids thixotropy completely; but it is a property which is required in a coating, so we can't ignore it. A thixotropic resin is one which is "thin" when energy is applied, such as pumping or spraying; but "thick" under static conditions. You might think of catsup as thixotropic: thick in the bottle, but when you apply energy to the bottom--look out! A better example might be DuPont's Lucite paint, or approved equal, which spreads easily with just the energy from a brush stroke; although, in the can, it looks like paste. Resin-Grade 144 is a particularly effective thixotrope and viscosity control agent for epoxy resin systems. Figure 14 depicts some of its typical physical characteristics. It disperses readily in liquid resins and hardeners with a Cowles Dissolver or similar high-shear mixer, and over-mixing does not destroy its effect. Epoxy systems containing R-G 144 have excellent aging characteristics; and, up to 2 or 3 phr, are amazingly clear.

Resin stability is the main reason that R-G 144 has been included as the thixotrope in the California Division of Highways specification for adhesives used in applying lane markers. Formulations for both Standard-Set and Rapid-Set adhesives are shown in Figure 15. At storage temperatures which sometimes reach 115°F., adhesive components containing pyrogenic silica were subject to drastic changes in thixotropy and viscosity. The state found that not only did R-G 144 provide a stable resin, but it also did not detract from adhesion or strength properties. Processing advantages, including reduced cost, are also realized.

Unlike some other thixotropes, R-G 144 is effective with amine hardeners; and no amine salts are required for viscosity build or thixotropic stability. The thickening effect of different thixotropes is shown in Figures 16 & 17.

Figures 18 & 19 depict the thixotropic effect of R-G 144 and two other thixotropes in epoxy and hardener respectively. With epoxy/hardener systems, each loaded with 4% R-G 144, 70 mil thicknesses can be held at room temperature; and up to 40 mil thicknesses can be held, sag-free, at 80°C. Figure 20 shows the results of some of these tests.

The value of R-G 144 as a thixotrope is not limited to epoxy resin systems, as it performs equally well in many other organic systems. It is being used as a thickener for greases, bituminous mastics and sealers, butyl rubber and polysulfide sealants, heat curable vinyl plastisols, casein and phenolic adhesives, etc. In addition to viscosity control and thixotropy, R-G 144 also provides some measure of reinforcement.

The first single-crystal whiskers used by man were asbestos fibers. As mentioned earlier, the tensile strength of asbestos fibrils has been

measured at more than 800,000 psi, as strong as the strongest filaments. But so far, strengths achieved in composites do not go beyond those achieved with glass-mat reinforcements. We have found good whisker reinforcement with R-G 144 in rigid vinyls (with excellent see-through up to 30 phr loading), nylon molding compounds, polysulfones and others.

The whisker theory says that above some critical volume loading, discontinuous short fibers reinforce a given matrix as well as a continuous one of the same material. This is true because the many short fibers are in such close proximity that the central load bearing portions can transfer an applied load from one to the other without the fiber ends becoming involved. The basic requirement for most resin systems is that the 4D ratio be at least 90. The R-G fiber, at 200:1, is well above the minimum; and Figure 21 depicts the superior reinforcement of VYNS (a PVC-PVA copolymer) with R-G 144 compared to two Canadian asbestos products. These data represent the first work done in this area and show the distinct advantages of a high purity, fully-liberated fiber product which contains 99% asbestos rather than the 60% normally contained in competitive asbestos products.

Only modest improvements are effected in several of the low cost, high volume resins such as styrenes and polyethylenes. However, very impressive results have been achieved in polymers derived from polar monomers, such as phenoxy, polysulfone and nylon. These data are tabulated in Figure 22. Dramatic increases in tensile, flexural, and impact strength are effected with additions of 15-30% R-G 144. In Nylon-6, R-G 144 imparts improvements very similar to chopped glass, at considerably less cost. Similar improvements have also been found in Nylon 6/10 and 6/6.

Although R-G 144, at high loadings, is effective in thickening polyester

resin systems, it was apparent that this product could not compete with existing thixotropes in such applications. Through the efforts of Dr. Steve Chwastiak of our Niagara Falls R & D staff, another "new" asbestos product was developed.

R-G 244 is a chemically modified fiber developed to provide maximum thickening efficiency and thixotropy in polyester spray-up and hand lay-up laminating resins. Figure 23 compares the thickening efficiency of R-G 244 and pyrogenic silica in a typical polyester resin.

It is also a very effective thickener in vinyl resin sealants and for organosols and plastisols used in a wide variety of adhesives, coatings, mastics and sealants. Figure 24 depicts a suggested heat-curable vinyl sealant formulation in which R-G 244 imparts a high degree of sag control and promotes adhesion. In most systems R-G 244 does not contribute color or opacity. Optimum efficiency, greatest stability, and lowest cost are obtained through the use of sonic dispersers and high energy mixers. However, especially at low viscosity levels, R-G 244 can be incorporated with low shear, propeller-type stirrers. Since R-G 244 imparts little, if any, color, it is being rapidly accepted as a thixotrope for polyester gel coats.

The thixotropic effect which R-G 244 imparts to a polyester resin is depicted in Figure 25. Here you will note that a high shear, where a resin would be sprayed, the viscosity is lower than with pyrogenic silica; and at low shear, where the resin would come to rest on a surface, extremely high viscosity is developed. This prevents sagging and facilitates the maintenance of a smooth uniform coating.

You no doubt have noted during my discussion that in almost every application,

sag or viscosity control has been an important factor. This physical characteristic is required in almost all liquid systems, aqueous, or resinous; and including coatings, adhesives, sealants, laminates, and molding compounds. And the secret to the success of CALIDRIA Asbestos is related directly to its ultimate purity and fiber liberation. I hope that through this paper I have conveyed the idea that CALIDRIA Asbestos fiber is different and that its range of applications is limited only by your imagination.

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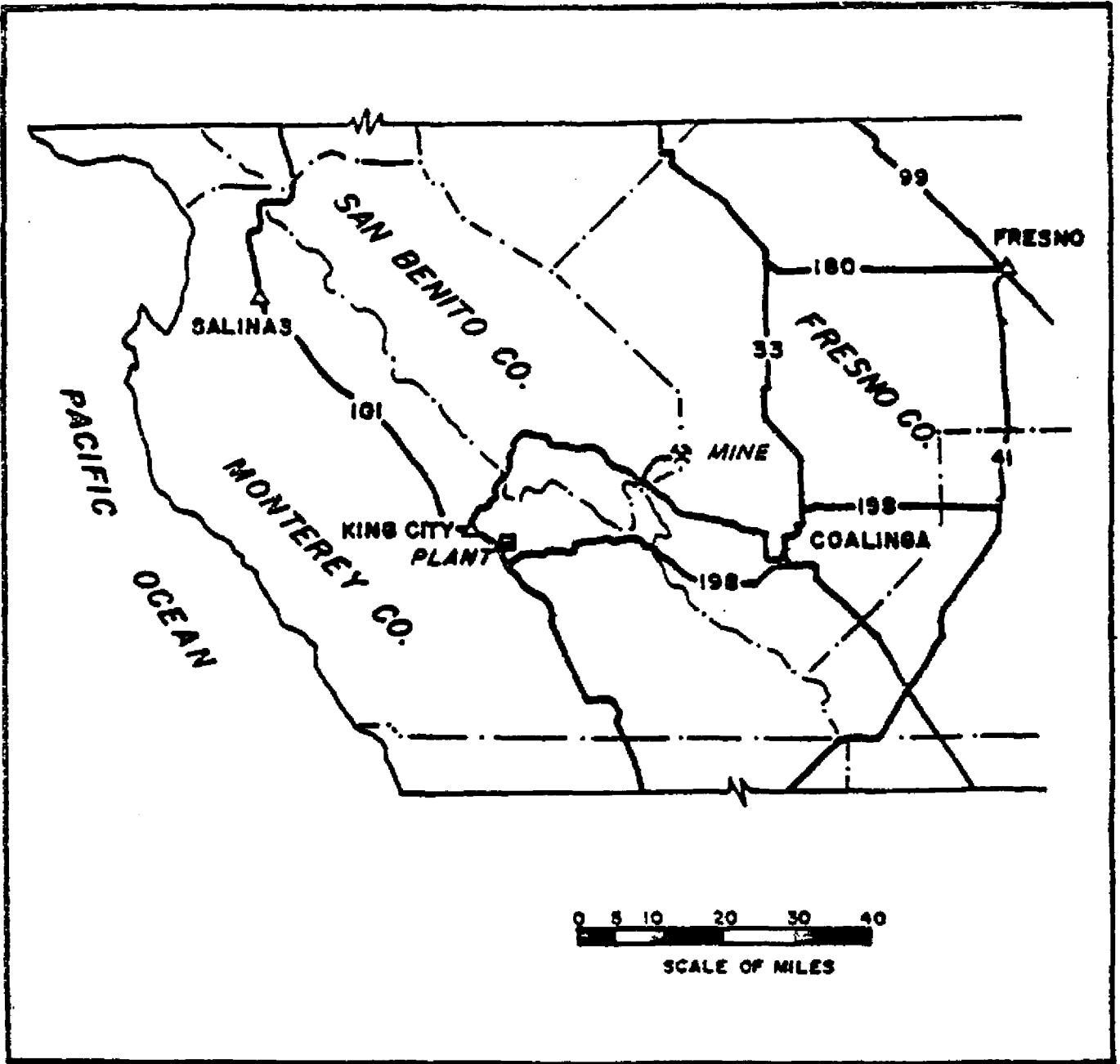
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PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF ASBESTOS MINERALS

| PROPERTY                        | CHRYSOTILE                                                       | ANTHOPHYLLITE                                                     | CROCIDOLITE                                                                                       | ACTINOLITE                                                                        | TREMOLITE                                                                         | AMOSITE                                                                |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Composition                     | Mg <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> | Mg <sub>7</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> | Na <sub>2</sub> Fe <sub>3</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> | Ca <sub>2</sub> Fe <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> | Mg <sub>5</sub> Ca <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> | (Fe,Mg) <sub>7</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> |
| Crystal Habit                   | Fine, thin, easily separable fibers                              | Prismatic crystals and fibers                                     | Long brittle fibers                                                                               | Prismatic crystals and fibers                                                     | Prismatic crystals and fibers                                                     | Prismatic crystals and fibers                                          |
| Color                           | White, gray, greenish                                            | Gray-white                                                        | Blue                                                                                              | Green                                                                             | White, gray-white, greenish                                                       | Ash gray or brown                                                      |
| Luster                          | Silky                                                            | Vitreous to pearly                                                | Silky to dull                                                                                     | Silky                                                                             | Silky                                                                             | Vitreous to pearly                                                     |
| Occurrence                      | Altered ultrabasic and schists and intruded limestone            | Crystalline schists and gneisses                                  | Fe-rich, argillaceous schists                                                                     | Metamorphosed limestones and crystalline schists                                  | Metamorphosed limestones and Mg-rich rocks                                        | Crystalline schists                                                    |
| Veining                         | Cross-fiber, Slip-fiber, Massive fiber                           | Slip-fiber, Massive fiber                                         | Cross-fiber                                                                                       | Slip-fiber, Massive fiber                                                         | Slip-fiber, Massive fiber                                                         | Cross-fiber                                                            |
| Hardness                        | 2.5-4                                                            | 5.5-6                                                             | 4                                                                                                 | 6                                                                                 | 5.5                                                                               | 5.5-6                                                                  |
| Specific Gravity                | 2.4-2.6                                                          | 2.8-3.1                                                           | 3.2-3.3                                                                                           | 3.0-3.2                                                                           | 2.9-3.2                                                                           | 3.1-3.3                                                                |
| Refractive Index (mean)         | 1.51-1.55                                                        | 1.61                                                              | 1.7                                                                                               | 1.63                                                                              | 1.61                                                                              | 1.64                                                                   |
| Texture                         | Soft to harsh also silky                                         | Harsh                                                             | Soft to harsh                                                                                     | Harsh                                                                             | Harsh                                                                             | Harsh                                                                  |
| Tensile Strength (psi)          | 80,000-100,000                                                   | 4000                                                              | 100,000-300,000                                                                                   | 1000                                                                              | 1000-8000                                                                         | 16,000-90,000                                                          |
| Electric Charge                 | Positive                                                         | Negative                                                          | Negative                                                                                          | Negative                                                                          | Negative                                                                          | Negative                                                               |
| Resistance to Acids and Alkalis | Poor-Acid Good-Alkali                                            | Very good                                                         | Good                                                                                              | Fair                                                                              | Good                                                                              | Good                                                                   |
| Flexibility                     | Very good                                                        | Poor                                                              | Good                                                                                              | Poor                                                                              | Poor                                                                              | Good                                                                   |
| Impurities Usually Encountered  | Magnetite, chromite, calcite                                     | Magnetite                                                         | Magnetite                                                                                         | Calcite                                                                           | Calcite                                                                           | Magnetite                                                              |

Fig. 1



Location of Union Carbide's CALIDRIA Asbestos operation

Fig. 2

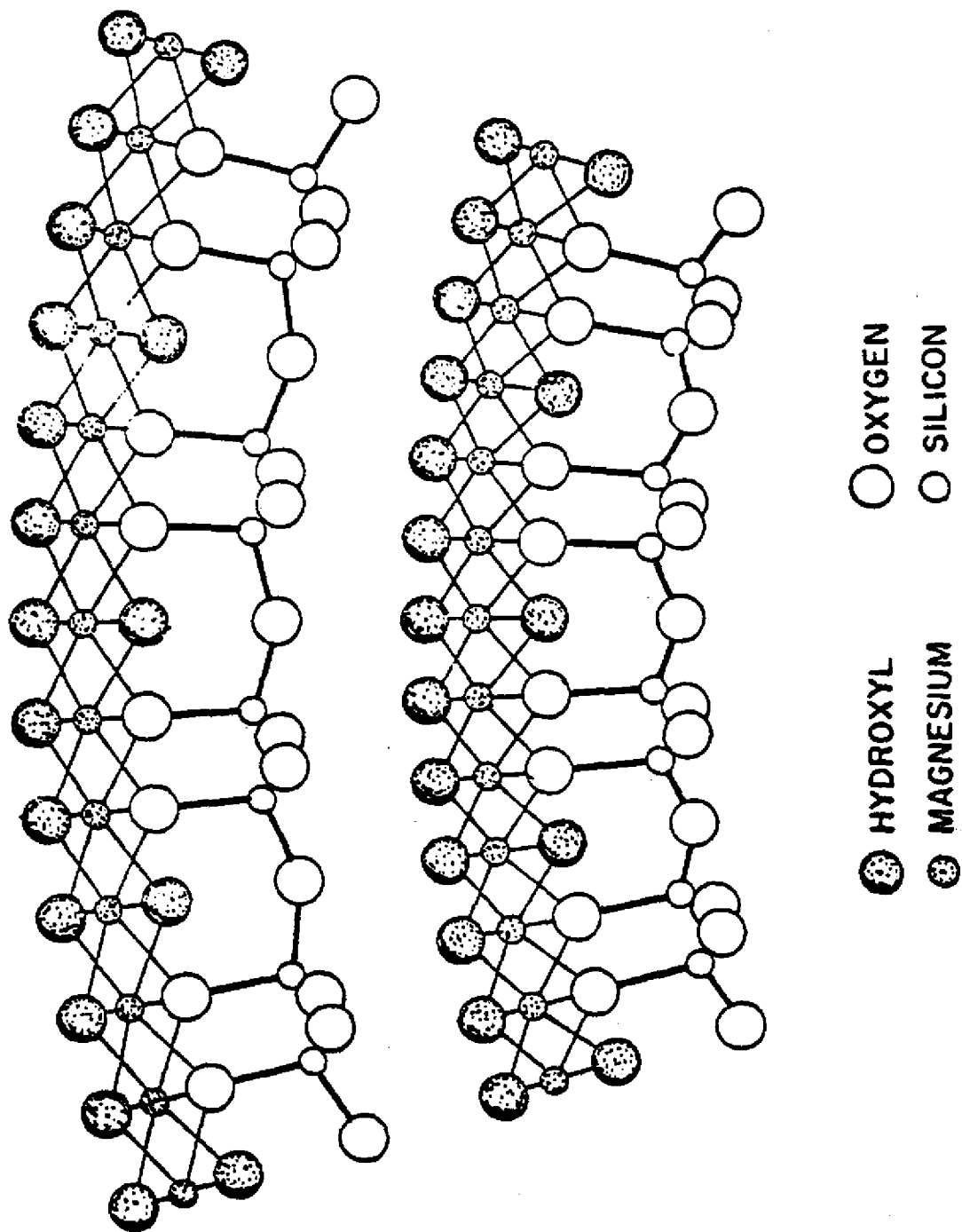


FIGURE 3. Crystal structure of chrysotile asbestos.

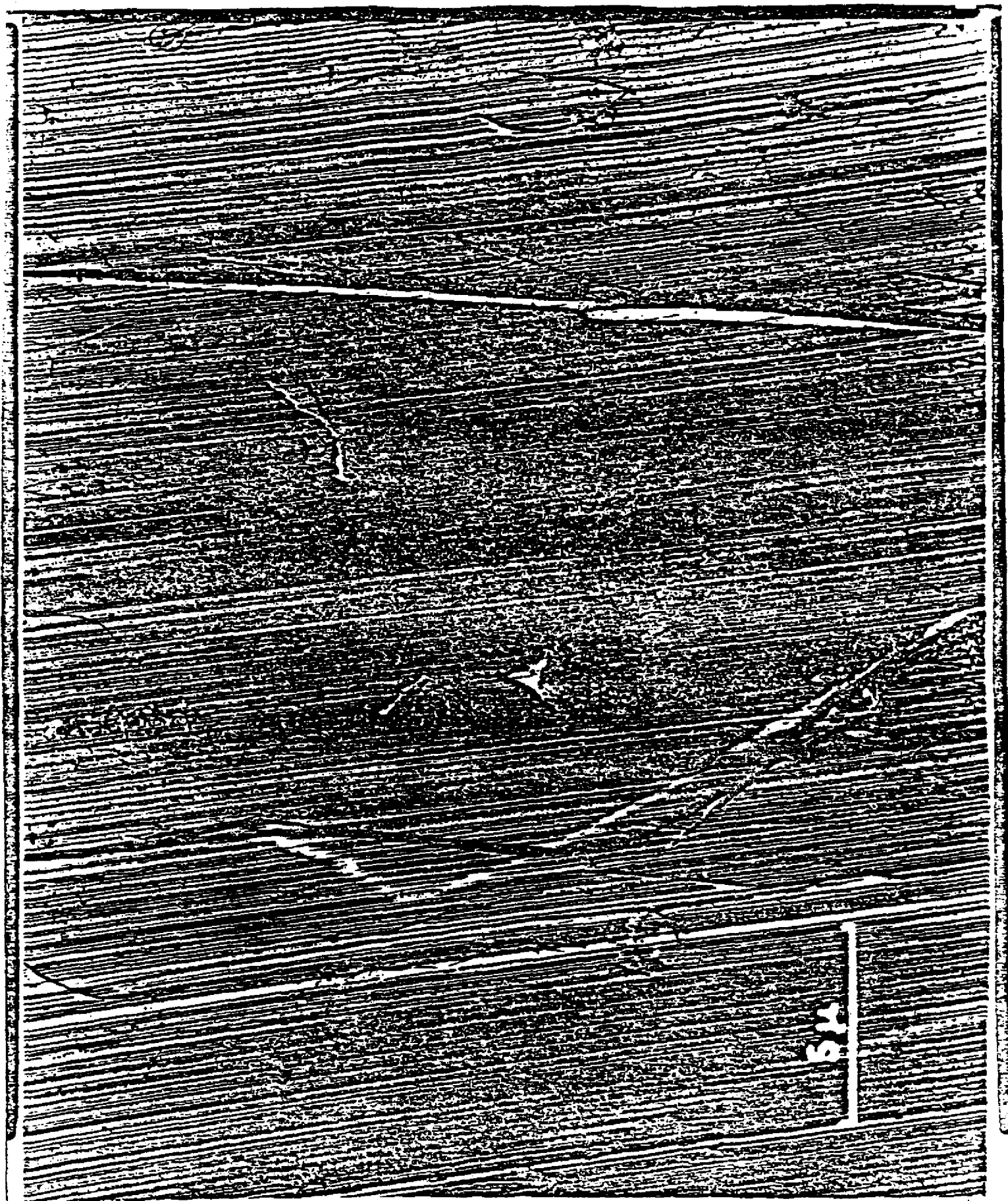


Fig. 4 - Electron Micrograph of typical Canadian asbestos fiber structure

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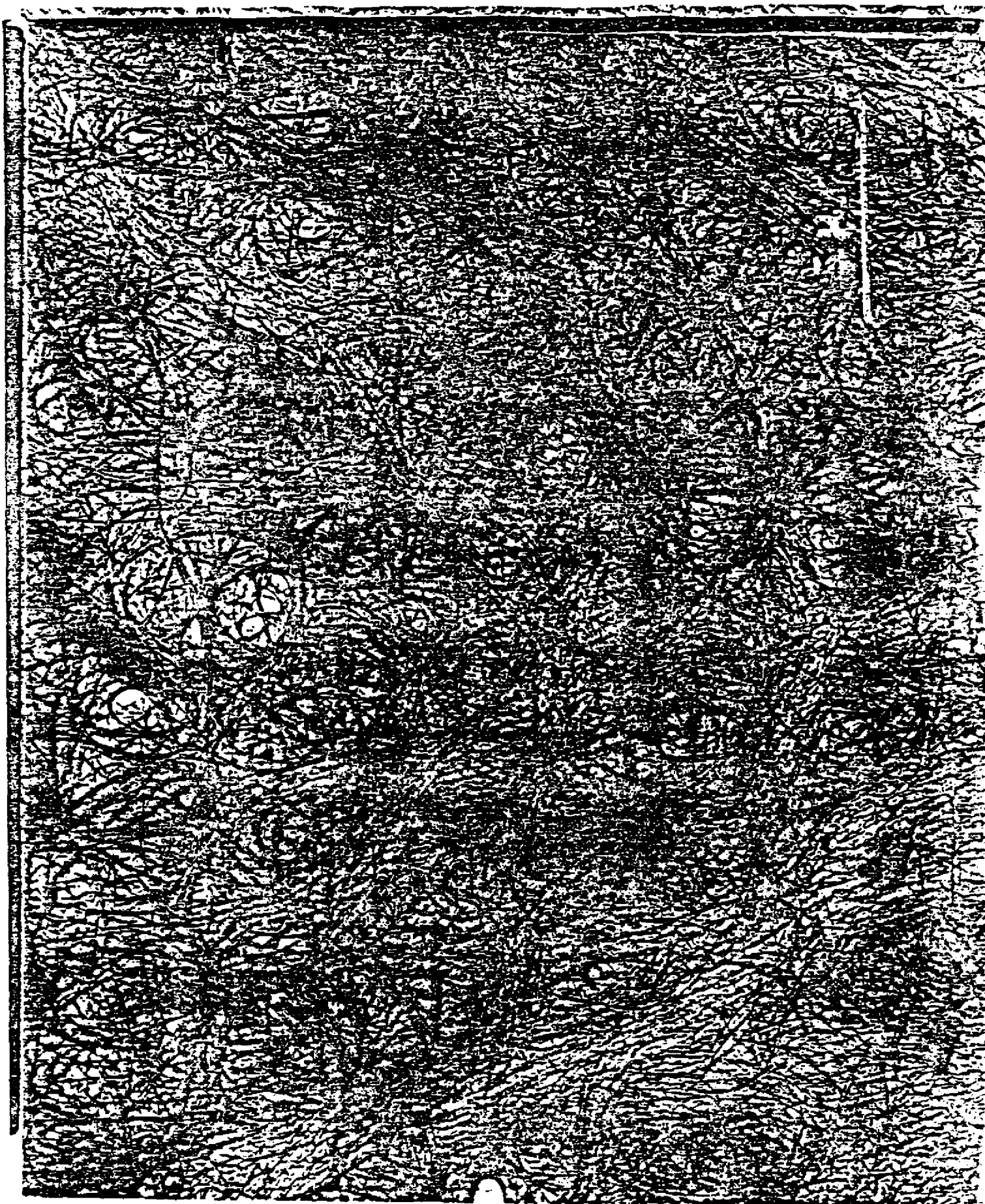


Fig. 5 - Electron Micrograph of typical Calidris asbestos fibers

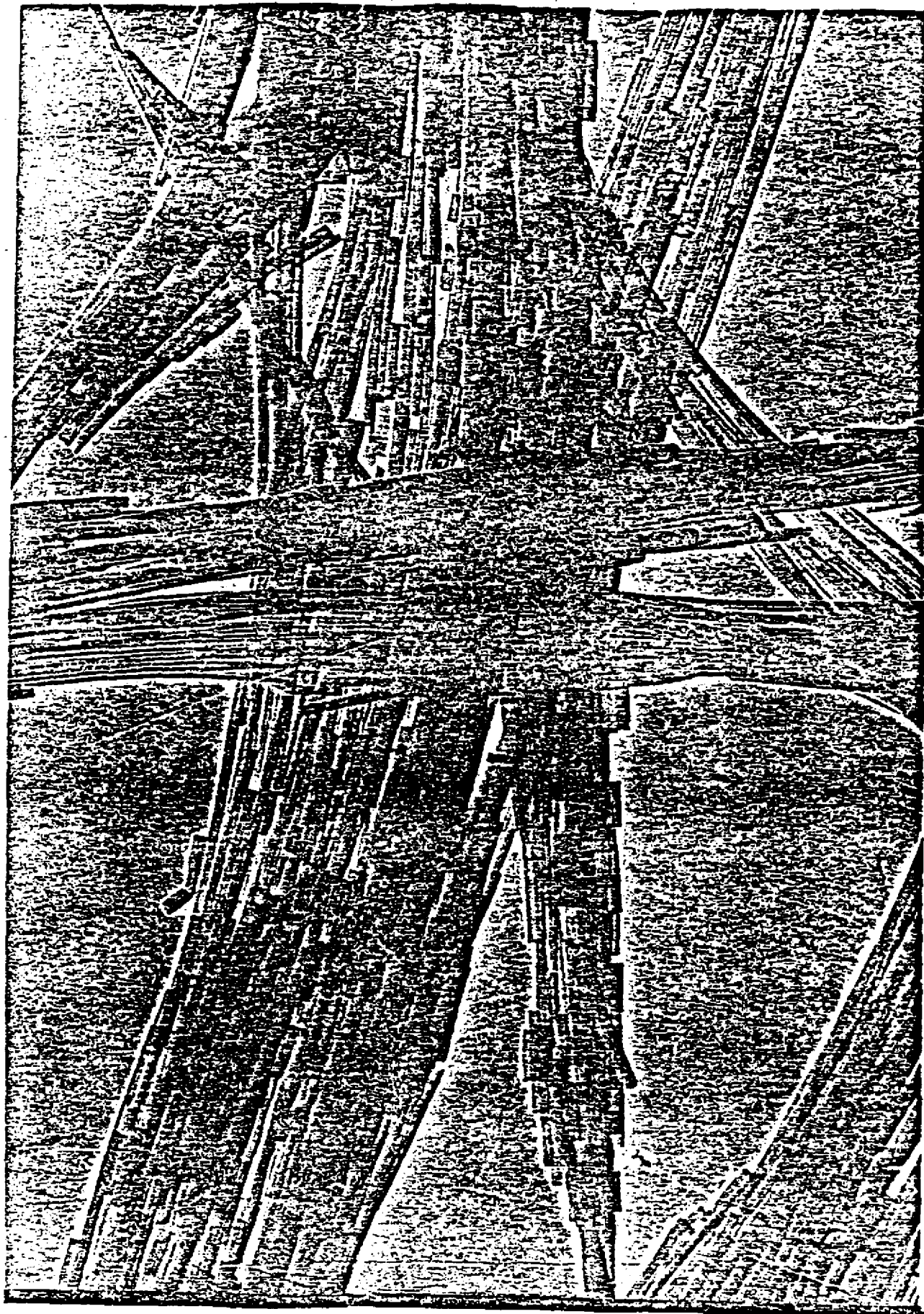


Fig. 6 - Electron Micrograph of dry processed asbestos fibers

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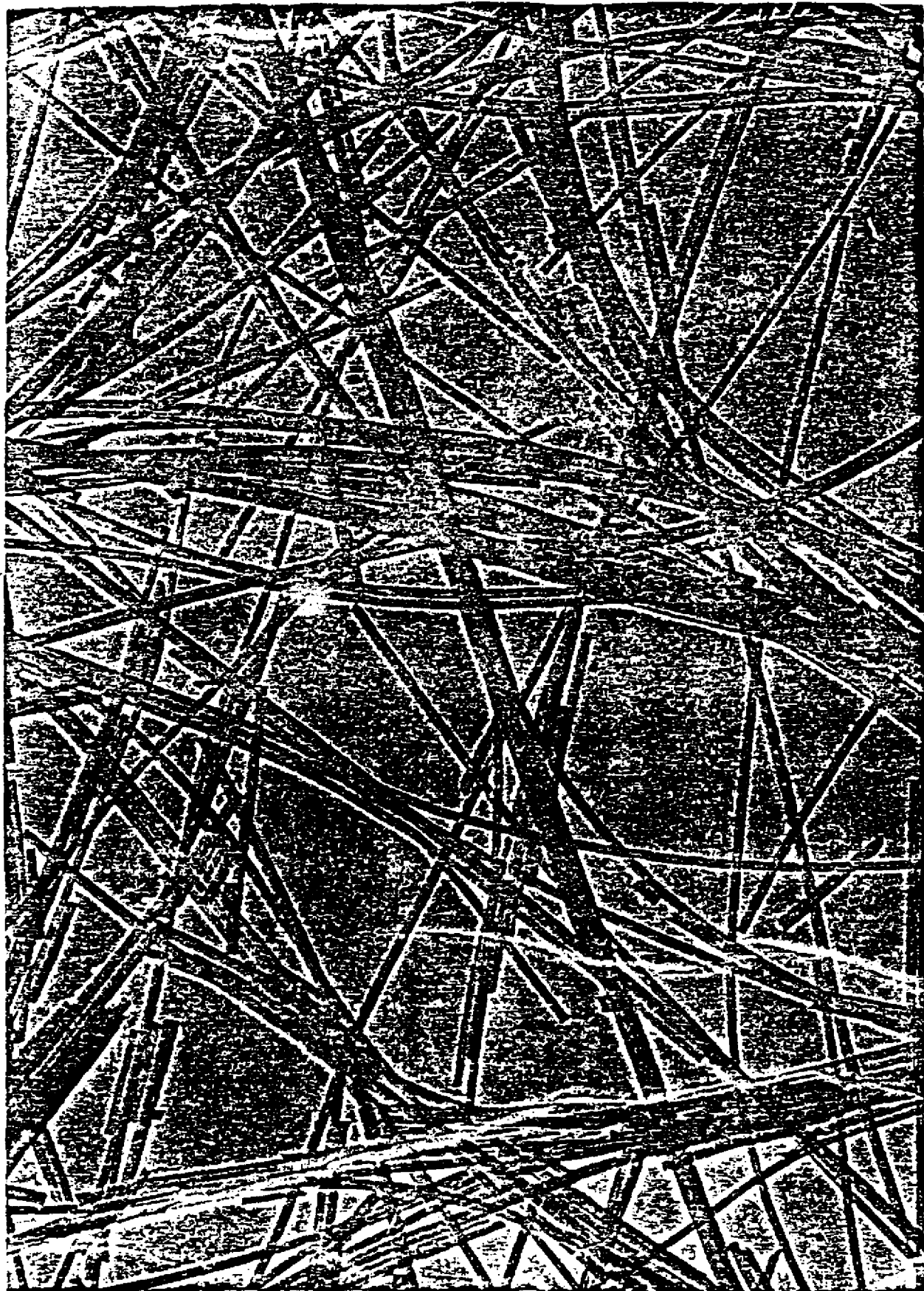


Fig. 7 - Electron Micrograph of wet processed Calidria asbestos fibrils

COMPARATIVE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF WELL-KNOWN FIBERS

| <u>Fiber</u>      | <u>Diameter, inches</u> | <u>Surface Area<br/>m<sup>2</sup>/gm</u> | <u>Tensile Strength, psi</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Human Hair        | 0.0016                  | -                                        | -                            |
| Wool              | 0.0100                  | 1.0                                      | -                            |
| Nylon             | 0.0003                  | 0.3                                      | -                            |
| Glass             | 0.0003                  | -                                        | 100-200,000                  |
| Cotton            | 0.0004                  | 0.7                                      | 73-89,000                    |
| Plano Wire        | -                       | -                                        | 300,000                      |
| CALIDRIA ASBESTOS | 0.000001                | 60-80                                    | up to 800,000                |

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF CHRYSOTILE ASBESTOS

| <u>PROPERTY</u>                               | <u>AVERAGE<br/>CANADIAN</u> | <u>UCC PRODUCTS</u>   |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
|                                               |                             | <u>STD.<br/>GRADE</u> | <u>HIGH<br/>PURITY</u> |
| SURFACE AREA M <sup>2</sup> /G.               | 10-30                       | 50-60                 | 60-80                  |
| OIL (DOP) ADSORPTION G./10 G.                 | 4-6                         | 8-10                  | 10-14                  |
| WATER RETENTION ML.H <sub>2</sub> O/20 G.ASB. | 12-20                       | 23-32                 | 33-40                  |
| REFLECTANCE %                                 | 54-70                       | 62-72                 | 74-77                  |
| MAGNETITE %                                   | 3-6                         | <2.0                  | <0.60                  |

Fig. 9

CALIDRIA  
PRODUCT  
DESIGNATION

APPLICATION

|         |                                           |
|---------|-------------------------------------------|
| S-G 100 | Vinyl asbestos and asphalt floor tile     |
| S-G 144 | " " " " " "                               |
| S-G 130 | Texture coatings, acoustic compounds      |
| S-G 210 | Tape Joint compounds                      |
| HPP     | Pulp and Paper Industry                   |
| HPO     | P & P, waste treatment, pollution control |
| T-135-P | P & P                                     |
| T-135-O | P & P, textured coatings                  |
| R-G 110 | Asphalt compounds, polyester pre-mix      |
| R-G 144 | Thixotropic thickener, resin systems      |
| R-G 244 | " " , polyester resins                    |

CALIDRIA Asbestos Market Applications

Fig. 10

# TJC READY-MIX

## STARTING POINT FORMULATION, 1-GALLON MIXER, 4000 GRAMS DRY WEIGHT

| <u>Ingredients and Order of Addition</u>                                                                                                 | <u>% by wt.<br/>dry basis</u> | <u>grams to<br/>weight</u> | <u>dry<br/>grams</u> | <u>grams<br/>water</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Water (equivalent to 36.0% by wt.) (c)<br>Note: Start the mixer on slow stirring                                                      | --                            | --                         | --                   | 1002.0                 |
| 2. CELLOSIZ TJC Grade Union Carbide<br>Note: Add the particles slowly. Make sure no lumps are added.<br>Mix until the particles are wet. | 0.50 (a)                      | 20.0                       | 20.0                 | --                     |
| 3. Bacteriostat, "Dowicide" A (Dow Chemical)<br>Note: Continue stirring until the thickner is in solution. Usually takes 4-5 minutes.    | 0.20 (a)                      | 8.0                        | 8.0                  | --                     |
| 4. Pigment Dispersant: "Daxad" 30<br>(Dewey and Almy), about (25% total solids)                                                          | 0.60                          | 96.0                       | 24.0                 | 72.0                   |
| 5. UCAR Latex 131, Union Carbide (59.0-61.0%<br>total solids)                                                                            | 6.60                          | 440.0 (b)                  | 264.0                | 176.0                  |
| 6. Filming Aid: Ethylene Glycol Union Carbide<br>Note: Mix until the above mixture is homogeneous (well dispersed)                       | 1.00                          | 40.0                       | 40.0                 | --                     |
| Add the fillers below individually or as a mixture                                                                                       |                               |                            |                      |                        |
| 7. Asbestos, Calidria SG-210 Grade, Union Carbide                                                                                        | 4.50                          | 180.0                      | 180.0                | --                     |
| 8. Mica (P-80-F), (Western Mica)                                                                                                         | 21.00                         | 840.0                      | 840.0                | --                     |
| 9. Clay, ASP-400, (Minerals and Chemicals Phillip)                                                                                       | 4.00                          | 160.0                      | 160.0                | --                     |
| 10. Antifoam: NOPCO PD No. 1, (Nopoco Chemical)                                                                                          | 0.10                          | 4.0                        | 4.0                  | --                     |
| 11. Calcium Carbonate, No. 1 White, (Thompson-Weinman)                                                                                   | 61.50                         | 2460.0                     | 2460.0               | --                     |

The above mixture is mixed for 120 minutes in a 1-gallon Baker-Perkins Sigma Blade Type mixer at 79 r.p.m.

### NOTES:

- (a) These can be added as a 2.0 percent by weight pre-mix concentrate. The concentrate is prepared using the addition of bacteriostat as indicated. When this is done, a corresponding correction must be made in the initial water charge.
- (b) Based on an average of 60.0% total solids.
- (c) Based on the fillers recommended here. The water demand will differ with the type of dry fillers.

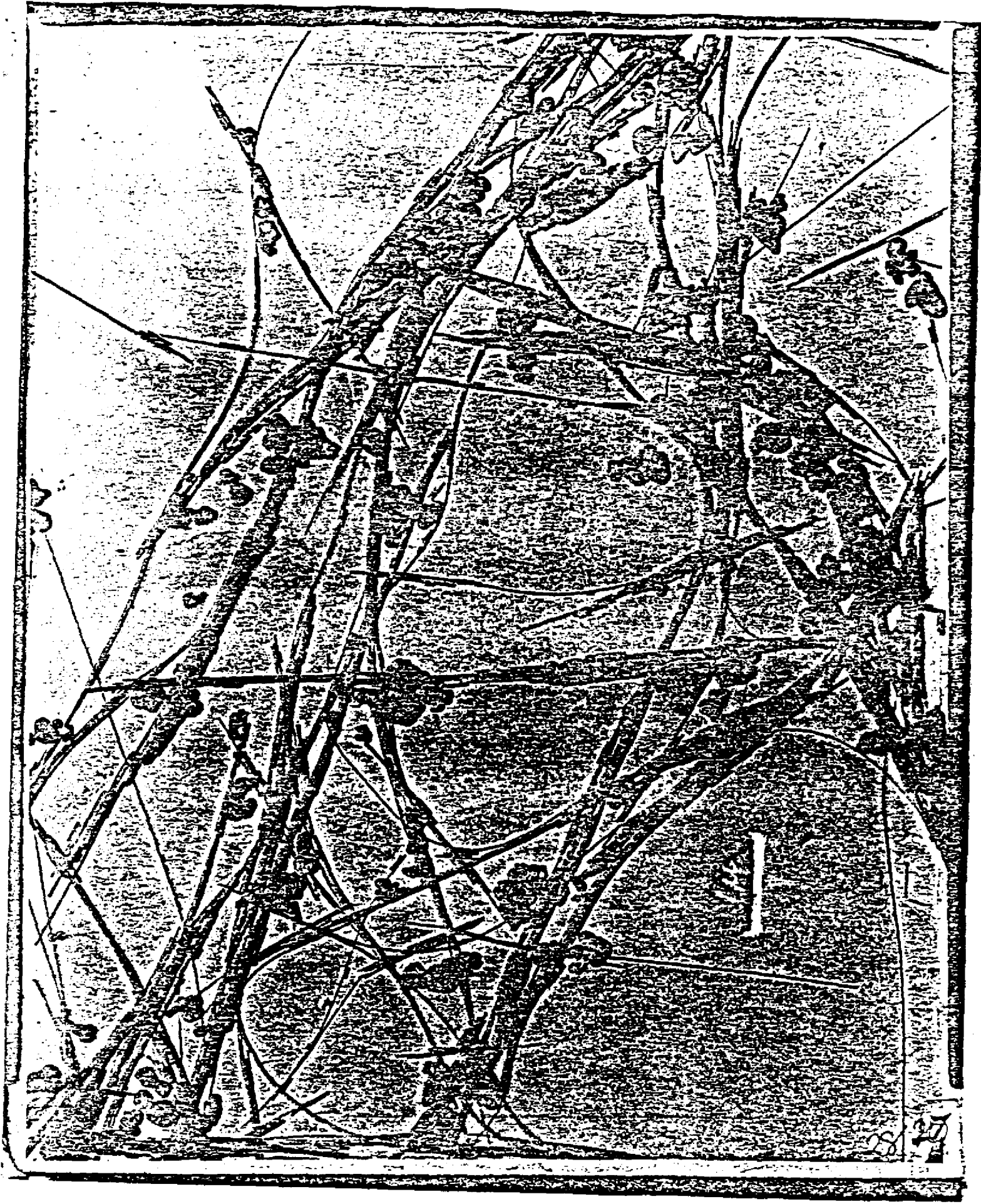


Fig. 12 - Electron Micrograph of Titanated Asbestos, CALIDRIA Type T-135

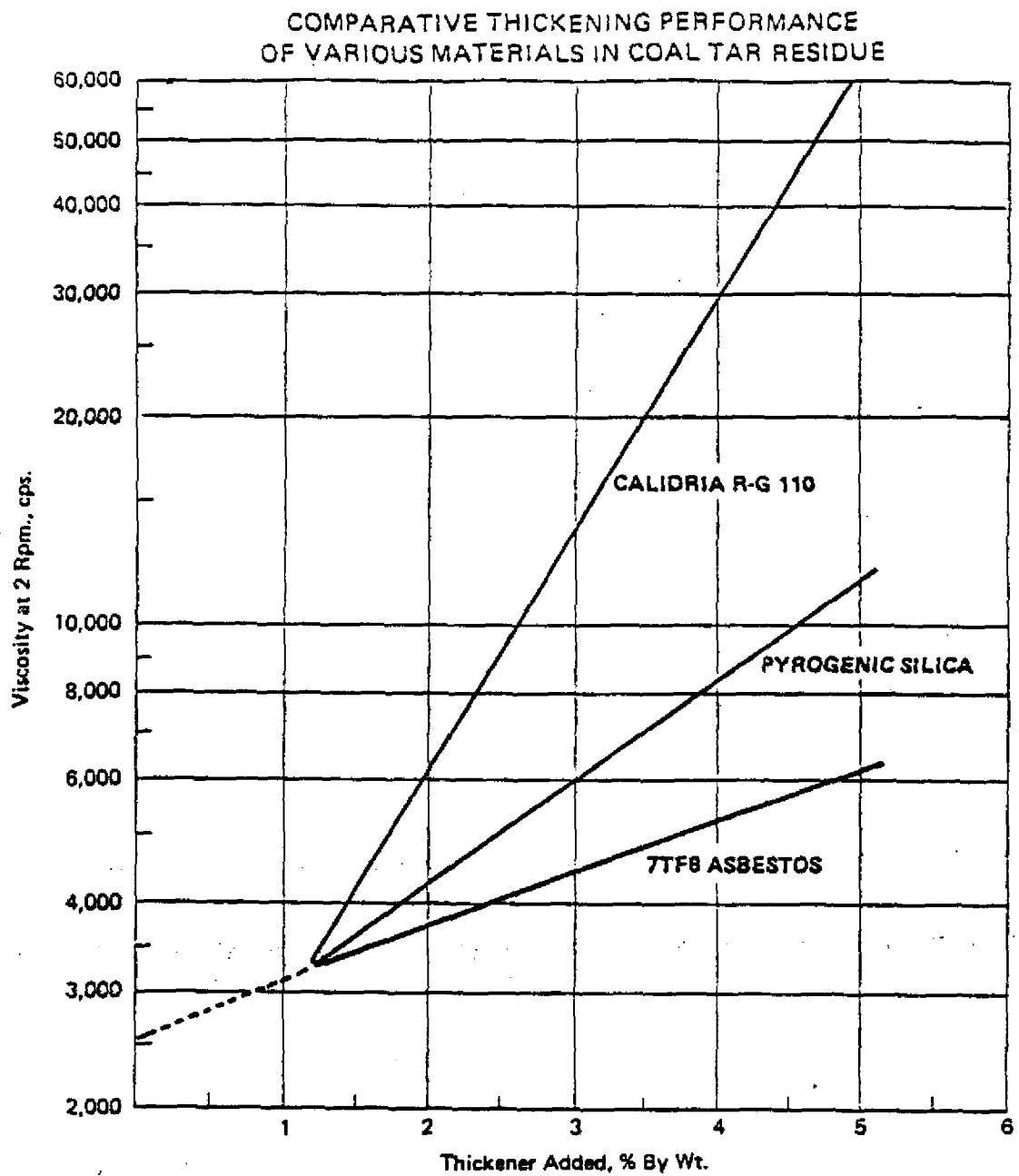


Fig. 13

CALIDRIA R-G 144  
Typical Physical Characteristics

|                                                  |                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Specific Gravity                                 | 2.45                              |
| Moisture Content, % by Wt.                       | 2.0 max.                          |
| Surface Area, Sq. meters per gram                | 60 approx.                        |
| Reflectance, G.E. Brightness                     | 72-76                             |
| Nature of Surface Charge                         | Electropositive (Cationic)        |
| pH in Water (2% slurry)                          | 9.0                               |
| Bulking Value, gal./100 lb.                      | 4.8                               |
| Oil Absorption (DOP) lb./100 lb.                 | 120                               |
| Refractive Index, $n_d$ 25°C.                    | 1.54-1.56                         |
| Aspect Ratio (Average L/D)                       | 200:1                             |
| Tensile Strength, psi*                           | 824,000 max.<br>(281,000-436,000) |
| Tensile Modulus, psi*                            | $23.2 \times 10^6$                |
| Dry Bulk Density, lb./cu. ft.<br>(fully aerated) | 4                                 |

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RAPID SET TYPE:

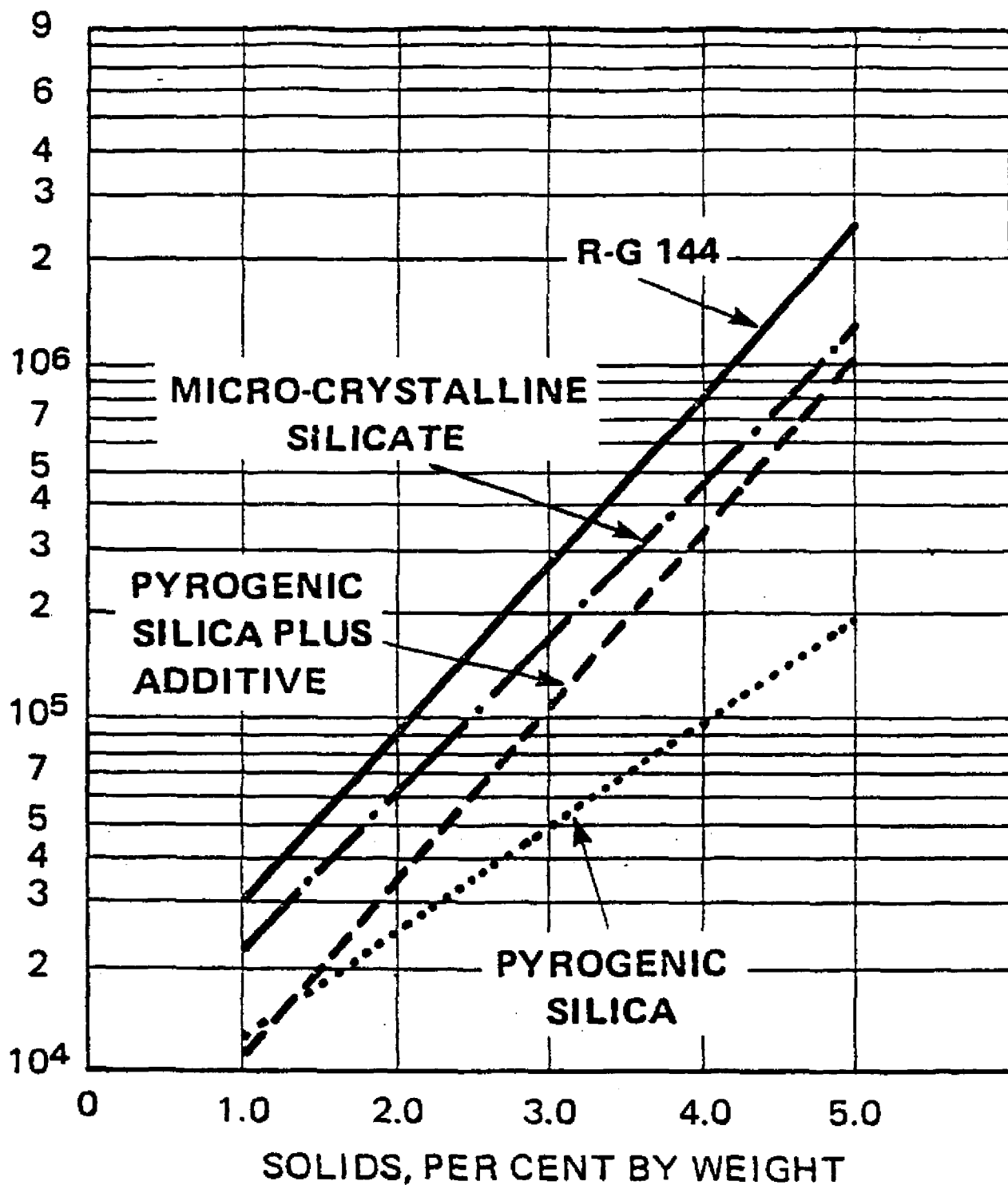
|                                      | <u>Parts by Wt.</u> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Package A:                           |                     |
| Epoxy Resin                          | 100.00              |
| RESIN-GRADE ASBESTOS                 | 3.00                |
| Titanium Dioxide                     | 1.62                |
| Package B:                           |                     |
| Polymercaptan Hardener               | 60.00               |
| 2,4,6-Tri(dimethylaminomethyl)phenol | 6.00                |
| Alkyl Subs. Polynuclear Aromatic Oil | 15.00               |
| 2-Ethyl Hexanoic Acid                | 0.20                |
| Carbon Black                         | 0.05                |
| RESIN-GRADE ASBESTOS                 | 2.00                |
| Glass Spheres                        | 36.36               |

STANDARD SET TYPE:

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Package A:              |        |
| Epoxy Resin             | 100.00 |
| Titanium Dioxide        | 7.31   |
| RESIN-GRADE ASBESTOS    | 5.00   |
| Talc                    | 37.64  |
| Package B:              |        |
| N-Aminoethyl Piperazine | 23.16  |
| Nonylphenol             | 52.00  |
| Carbon Black            | 0.22   |
| Talc                    | 77.37  |
| RESIN-GRADE ASBESTOS    | 1.00   |

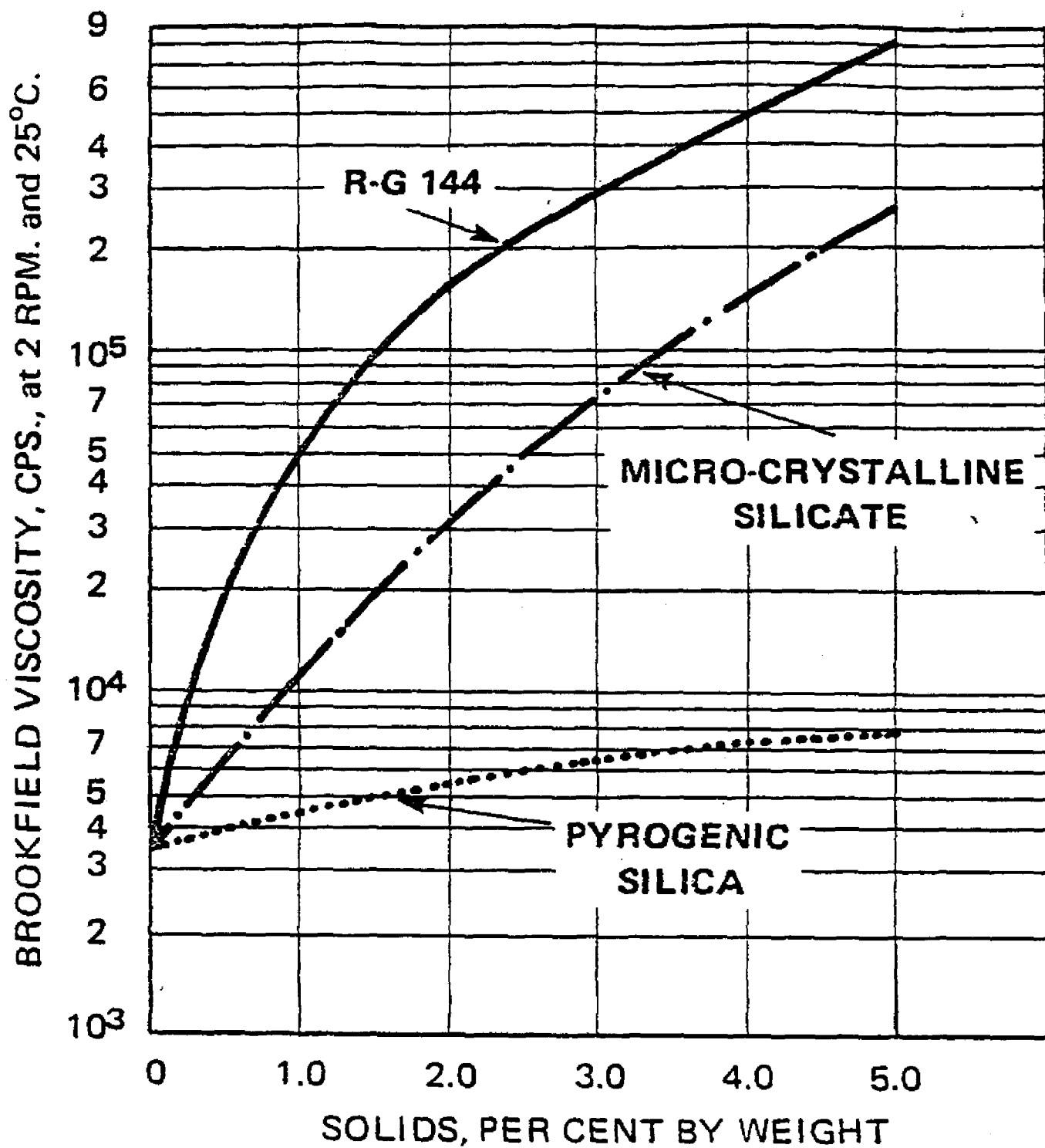
Fig. 15

BROOKFIELD VISCOSITY, CPS., at 2 RPM. and 25°C.

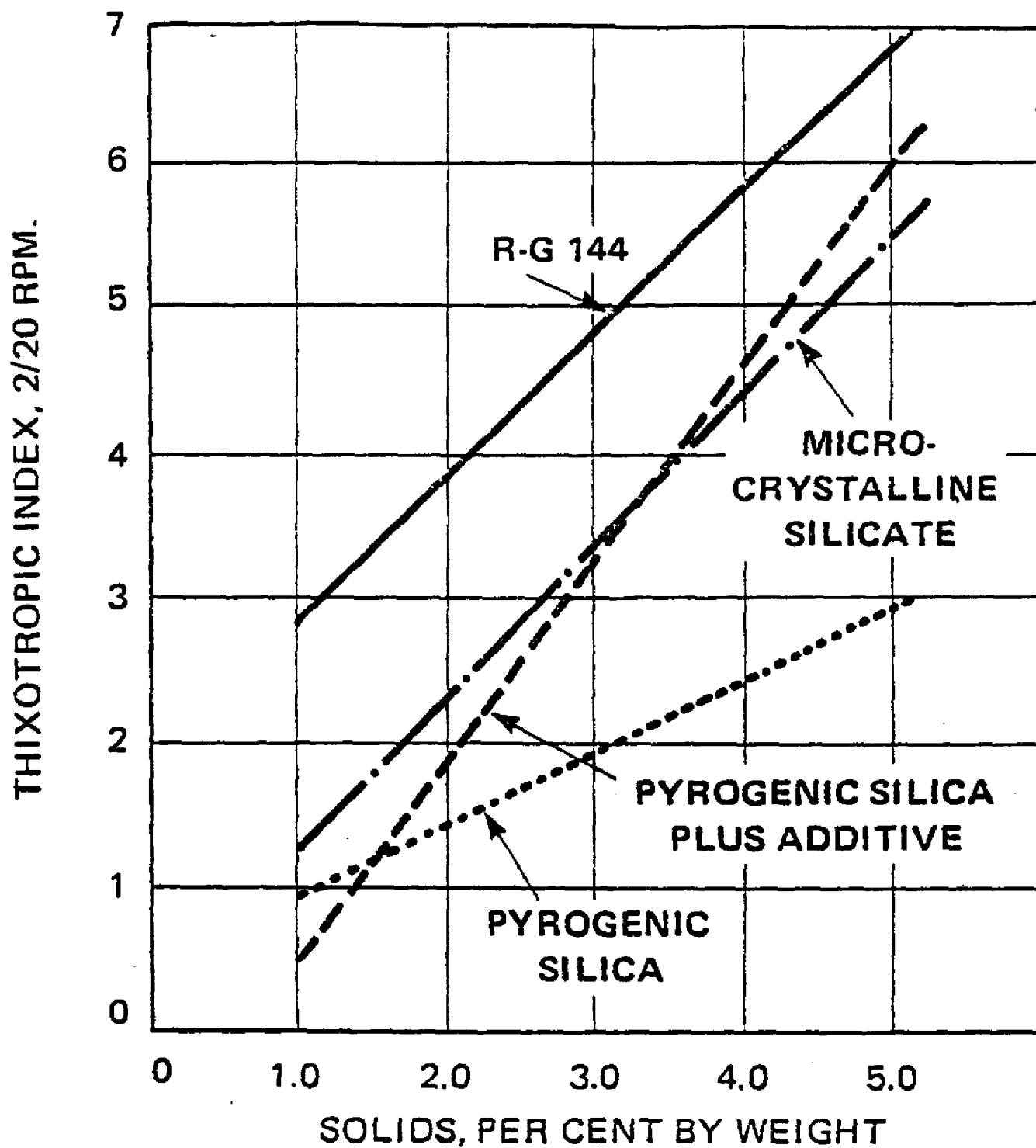


EFFECT ON VISCOSITY OF VARIOUS THICKENERS IN  
BAKELITE EPOXY RESIN ERL-2774

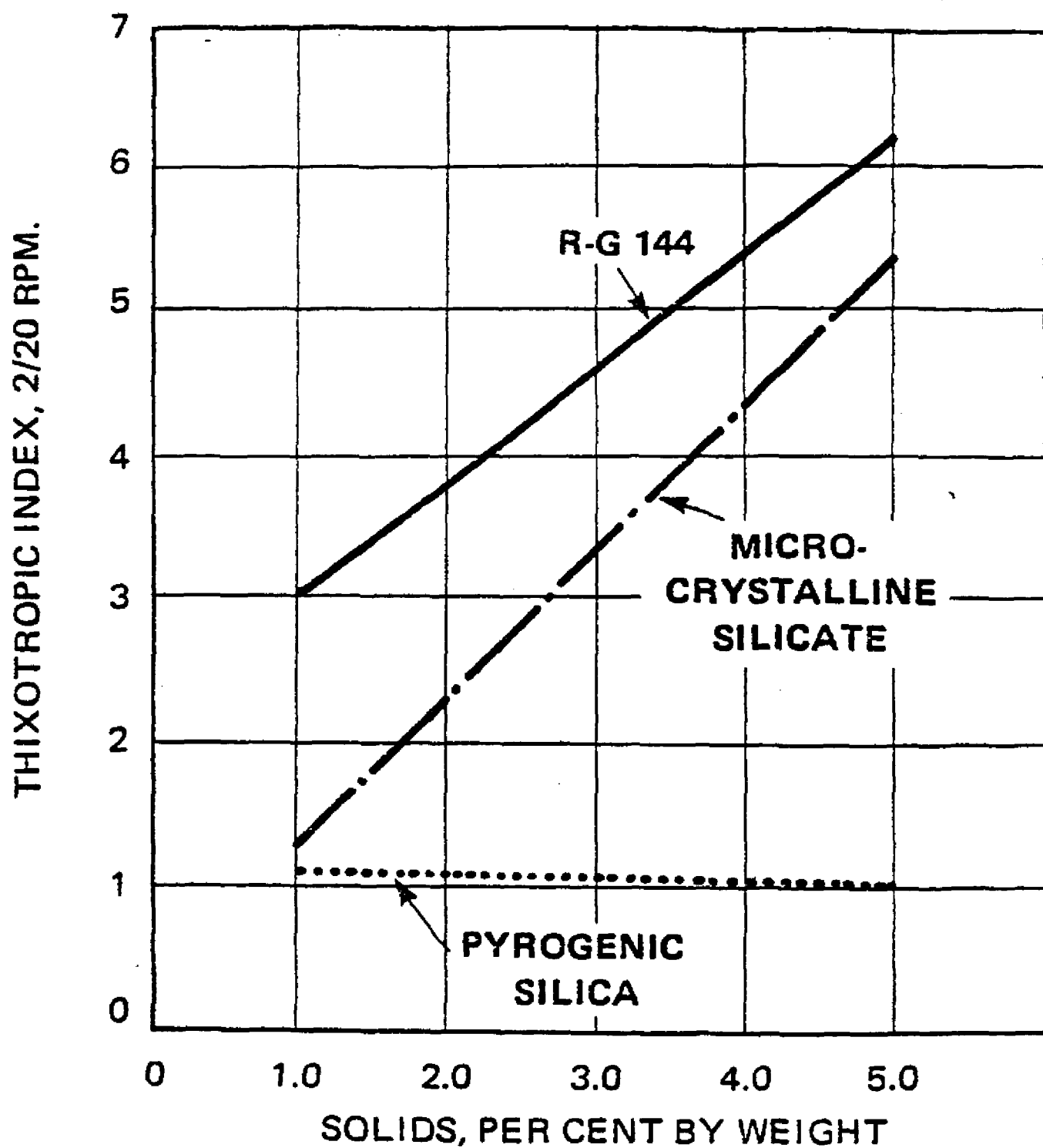
Fig. 16



EFFECT ON VISCOSITY OF VARIOUS THICKENERS IN  
BAKELITE RESIN HARDENER 22L-0814



EFFECT ON THIXOTROPY OF VARIOUS THICKENERS IN  
BAKELITE EPOXY RESIN ERL-2774



EFFECT ON THIXOTROPY OF VARIOUS THICKENERS IN  
BAKELITE RESIN HARDENER ZZL-0814

**Table 1** THICKENING OF BISPHENOL-BASED RESINS  
WITH CALIDRIA RESIN-GRADE 144 ASBESTOS

| Ingredient                                           | Parts by Weight |     |                                     |      |     |                                 |      |     |                                 |      |    |                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|------|-----|---------------------------------|------|-----|---------------------------------|------|----|---------------------------------|
|                                                      | 100             |     |                                     | 100  |     |                                 | 100  |     |                                 | 100  |    |                                 |
|                                                      | 1               |     |                                     | 2    |     |                                 | 3    |     |                                 | 4    |    |                                 |
| Brookfield RVF<br>Viscosity, cps. X 10 <sup>-1</sup> | RPM.            |     | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) (a) | RPM. |     | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) | RPM. |     | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) | RPM. |    | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) |
|                                                      | 2               | 20  |                                     | 2    | 20  |                                 | 2    | 20  |                                 | 2    | 20 |                                 |
| 24 hours                                             | 34              | 22  | 1.5                                 | 137  | 39  | 3.5                             | 250  | 53  | 4.7                             | 464  | 87 | 5.3                             |
| 7 days                                               | 32              | 20  | 1.6                                 | 132  | 36  | 3.6                             | 244  | 54  | 4.5                             | 430  | 76 | 5.7                             |
| 30 days                                              | (b)             | (b) | (b)                                 | (b)  | (b) | (b)                             | (b)  | (b) | (b)                             | 480  | 94 | 5.1                             |
| Vertical Drawdown, mil (c)                           |                 |     |                                     |      |     |                                 |      |     |                                 |      |    |                                 |
| Room Temperature                                     | (b)             |     |                                     | (b)  |     |                                 | (b)  |     |                                 | 125  |    |                                 |
| 45 days                                              | (b)             |     |                                     | (b)  |     |                                 | (b)  |     |                                 | 125  |    |                                 |

| Ingredient                                           | Parts by Weight |     |                                 |      |     |                                 |      |     |                                 |      |    |                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----|---------------------------------|------|-----|---------------------------------|------|-----|---------------------------------|------|----|---------------------------------|
|                                                      | 100             |     |                                 | 100  |     |                                 | 100  |     |                                 | 100  |    |                                 |
|                                                      | 1               |     |                                 | 2    |     |                                 | 3    |     |                                 | 4    |    |                                 |
| Brookfield RVF<br>Viscosity, cps. X 10 <sup>-1</sup> | RPM.            |     | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) | RPM. |     | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) | RPM. |     | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) | RPM. |    | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) |
|                                                      | 2               | 20  |                                 | 2    | 20  |                                 | 2    | 20  |                                 | 2    | 20 |                                 |
| 24 hours                                             | 18              | 3.8 | 4.7                             | 38   | 6.3 | 6.0                             | 70   | 11  | 6.4                             | 91   | 13 | 6.9                             |
| 7 days                                               | 16              | 3.7 | 4.3                             | 35   | 6.8 | 5.1                             | 68   | 12  | 5.5                             | 122  | 22 | 5.5                             |
| 30 days                                              | (b)             | (b) | (b)                             | (b)  | (b) | (b)                             | (b)  | (b) | (b)                             | 125  | 25 | 5.0                             |
| Vertical Drawdown, mil (c)                           |                 |     |                                 |      |     |                                 |      |     |                                 |      |    |                                 |
| Room Temperature                                     | (b)             |     |                                 | (b)  |     |                                 | (b)  |     |                                 | 80   |    |                                 |
| 45 days                                              | (b)             |     |                                 | (b)  |     |                                 | (b)  |     |                                 | 70   |    |                                 |

(a) Thixotropic Index (T. I.) =  $\frac{\text{viscosity at 2 rpm.}}{\text{viscosity at 20 rpm.}}$

(b) Not run.

(c) Vertical Drawdown: A 2-inch wide drawdown was made on a horizontal sandblasted steel panel. The panel was immediately raised to a vertical position and any sag noted. If no sag occurred in 10 minutes, the procedure was repeated and the thickness increased until sagging occurred.

**Table 2** THICKENING OF AMINE HARDENERS  
WITH CALIDRIA RESIN-GRADE 144 ASBESTOS

| Formulation              | Parts by Wt.<br>BAKELITE ZYL-0814 ..... 100<br>CALIDRIA Resin-Grade<br>144 Asbestos ..... 4 |    |                                 | Parts by Wt.<br>BAKELITE ZYL-0820 ..... 100<br>CALIDRIA Resin-Grade<br>144 Asbestos ..... 4 |    |                                 | Parts by Wt.<br>BAKELITE ZYL-0884 ..... 100<br>CALIDRIA Resin-Grade<br>144 Asbestos ..... 4 |    |                                 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---------------------------------|
|                          | RPM.                                                                                        |    | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) | RPM.                                                                                        |    | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) | RPM.                                                                                        |    | Thixotropic<br>Index<br>(T. I.) |
|                          | 2                                                                                           | 20 |                                 | 2                                                                                           | 20 |                                 | 2                                                                                           | 20 |                                 |
| 24 hours                 | 187                                                                                         | 36 | 5.3                             | 67                                                                                          | 32 | 2.1                             | 102                                                                                         | 23 | 4.5                             |
| 7 days                   | 172                                                                                         | 34 | 5.1                             | 66                                                                                          | 32 | 2.1                             | 104                                                                                         | 23 | 4.6                             |
| 30 days                  | 177                                                                                         | 34 | 5.2                             | 67                                                                                          | 35 | 1.9                             | 104                                                                                         | 24 | 4.4                             |
| Vertical Drawdown        | Nil                                                                                         |    |                                 | Nil                                                                                         |    |                                 | Nil                                                                                         |    |                                 |
| Room Temperature (R. T.) | 70                                                                                          |    |                                 | 40                                                                                          |    |                                 | 40                                                                                          |    |                                 |
| 50°C.                    | 20                                                                                          |    |                                 | —                                                                                           |    |                                 | —                                                                                           |    |                                 |
| 80°C.                    | —                                                                                           |    |                                 | 40                                                                                          |    |                                 | 40                                                                                          |    |                                 |
| 30 days at R. T.         | 70                                                                                          |    |                                 | 40                                                                                          |    |                                 | 40                                                                                          |    |                                 |
| 30 days at 80°C.         | —                                                                                           |    |                                 | 40                                                                                          |    |                                 | 40                                                                                          |    |                                 |

REINFORCED VYNS-COMPRESSION MOLDED

|                                       | <u>None</u> | <u>R-G 144</u> | <u>7RF9</u> | <u>7R05</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Tensile Strength, psi.                | 7600        | 9000           | 7700        | 7800        |
| Tensile Modulus, 10 <sup>3</sup> psi. | 396         | 531            | 470         | 490         |
| Elongation, %                         | 2           | 3              | 16          | 6           |
| Izod, ft-lb/in.                       | 0.6         | 0.5            | 0.5         | 0.5         |
| HDT, °C.                              | 63.0        | 69.9           | 64.6        | 63.3        |
| Color                                 | Lt. Gray    | Lt. Tan        | Dk. Gray    | Dk. Gray    |
| Clarity                               | Clear       | Clear          | Opaque      | Opaque      |

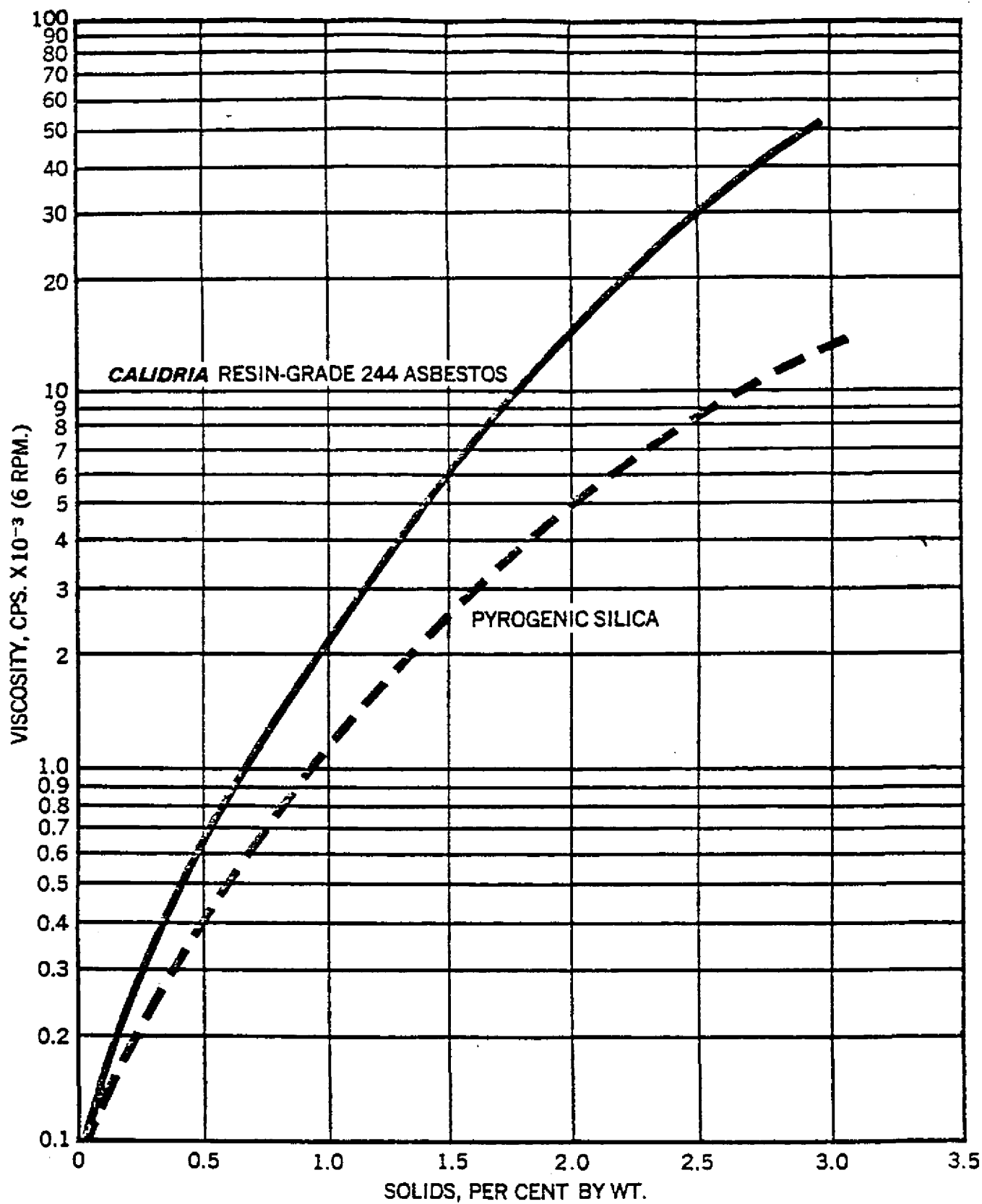
Formulation:

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| VYNS            | 100.00 |
| Temex 5         | 1.20   |
| Advastab CH-90  | 0.50   |
| Advastab ABC-18 | 0.75   |
| Stearic Acid    | 1.00   |
| Asbestos        | 10.00  |

# MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF INJECTION MOLDED SAMPLES

|                               | Phenoxy    |             | P-1700 Polysulfone |             | Nylon-6    |             |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|                               | 0% R-G 144 | 20% R-G 144 | 0% R-G 144         | 15% R-G 144 | 0% R-G 144 | 30% R-G 144 |
| Tensile Strength, psi.        | 9250       | 18000       | 10000              | 14000       | 9000       | 20000       |
| Tensile Modulus, $10^3$ psi.  | 470        | 1070        | 370                | 850         | -          | -           |
| Flexural Strength, psi.       | -          | -           | -                  | -           | 11000      | 30000       |
| Flexural Modulus, $10^3$ psi. | -          | -           | -                  | -           | 260        | 1500        |
| Elongation, % at yield        | 4.7        | 3.5         | 5.7                | 3.9         | 4.0        | 4.1         |
| Izod, ft.-lbs./in.            | 2.3        | 0.6         | 1.2                | 1.2         | 1.3        | 0.9         |
| HDT, °C.                      | 86.5       | 88.8        | 170                | 180         | 58         | 196         |

Fig. 22



Comparison of Thickening Efficiency of Resin-Grade 244 Asbestos with that of Colloidal Silica in Polyester Resin

Fig. 23

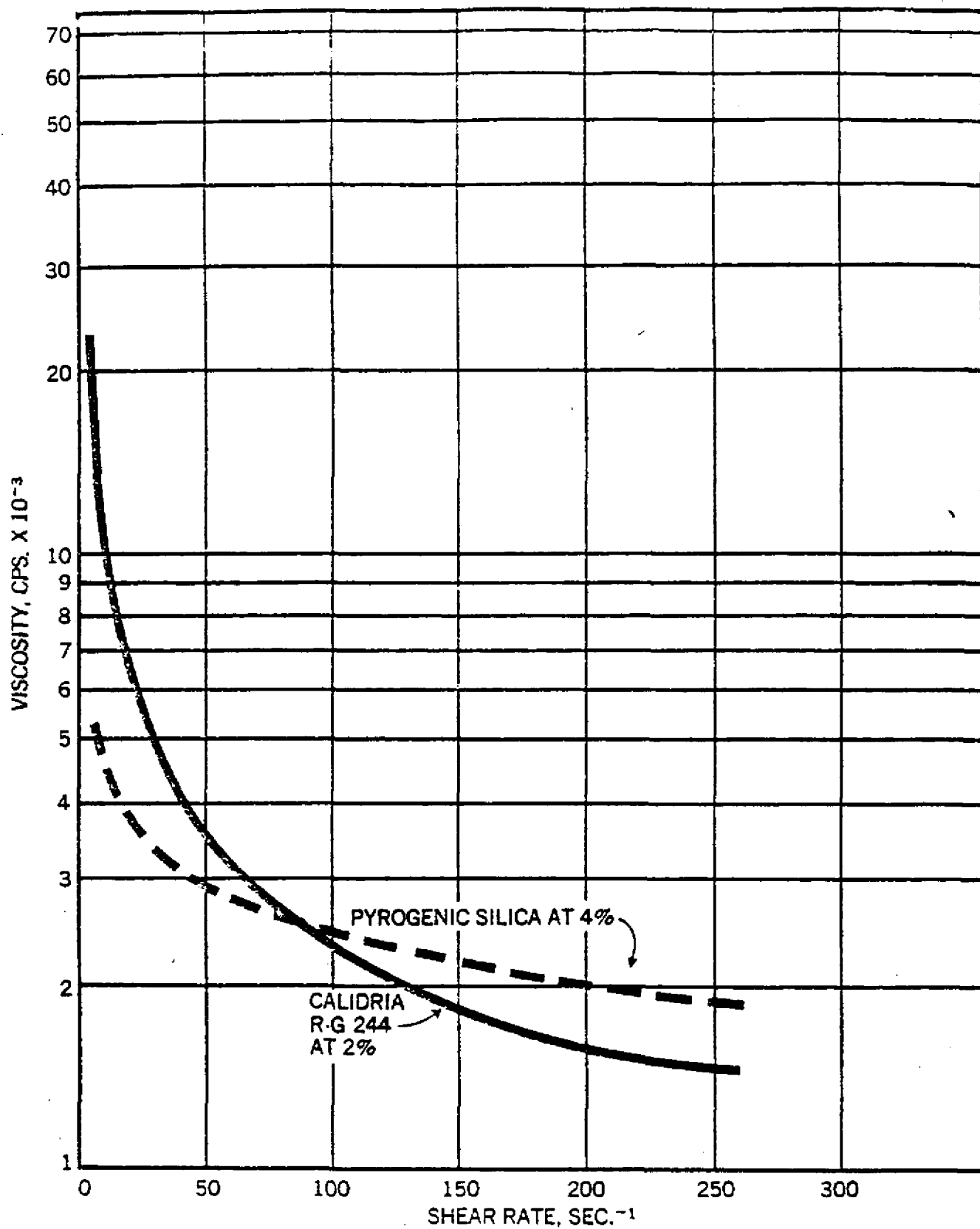
TYPICAL HEAT-CURABLE VINYL SEALANT FORMULATION

| <u>Ingredient</u>                      | <u>Per Cent<br/>by Weight</u> |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| BAKELITE Vinyl Dispersion Resin QYLF-2 | 24.54                         |
| BAKELITE Vinyl Resin Solution VMCC     | 3.92                          |
| "Elvacite" 2044(a)                     | 0.98                          |
| "Hycar" 1411(b)                        | 0.37                          |
| "Camel White"(c)                       | 29.20                         |
| FLEXOL Plasticizer 10-10               | 29.20                         |
| FLEXOL Plasticizer TCP                 | 2.70                          |
| "Monomer X-970"(d)                     | 4.91                          |
| "Mark" LL(e)                           | 0.49                          |
| Resin-Grade 244 Asbestos               | 3.68                          |
| "Dicup" R(f)                           | 0.01                          |
|                                        | <u>100.00</u>                 |

.Dissolve BAKELITE Vinyl Resin Solution VMCC in FLEXOL Plasticizer 10-10 at about 100°C. Dissolve "Elvacite" 2044 in FLEXOL Plasticizer TCP at 100°C. Mix the two solutions and all the other ingredients together in a pony, "Hobart" or similar mixer.

- (a) Acrylic resin; Du Pont, Wilmington, Delaware
- (b) Powdered rubber; B. F. Goodrich, Akron, Ohio
- (c) Calcium carbonate; H. T. Campbell and Son's Corporation, Baltimore, Maryland
- (d) Polymerizable monomer; Rohm and Haas, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- (e) Stabilizer; Argus Chemical Corporation, Brooklyn, New York
- (f) Catalyst; Hercules, Wilmington, Delaware

Fig. 24



Comparative Thixotropic Characteristics CALIDRIA  
R-G 244 Vs Pyrogenic Silica

Fig. 25