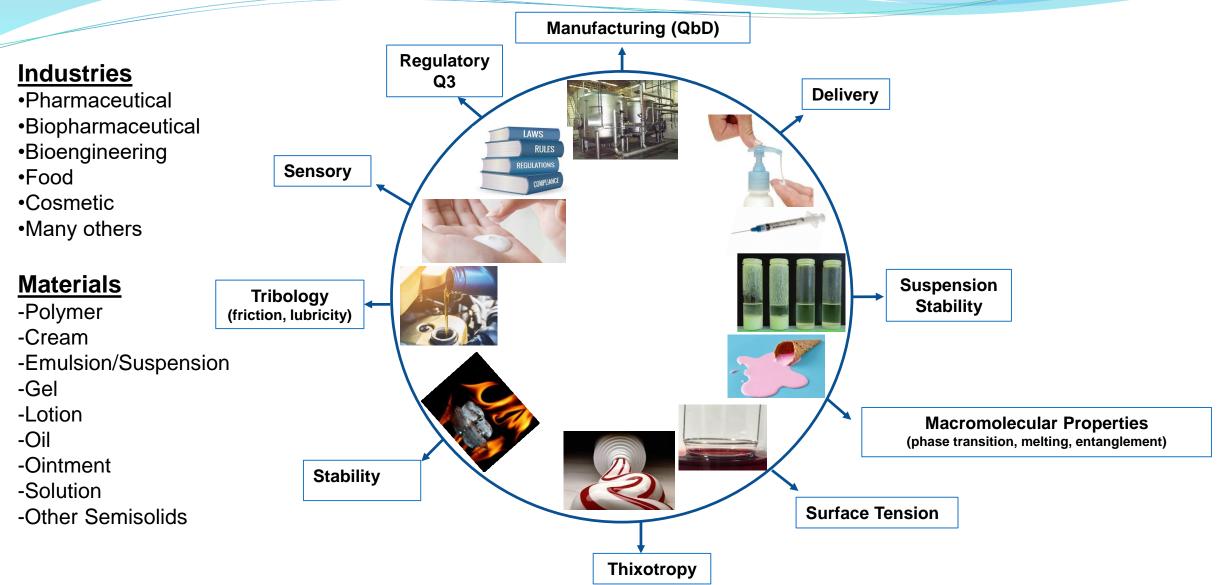
# **Rheology Principles and Applications**

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# **Applications from R&D to Manufacturing**



# Applications from R&D to Manufacturing (CON'T)

- Product development, optimization & in-process control (Quality by Design (QbD))
  - batch consistency
  - addition order & rate
  - mixing time & speed
  - temperature (heating/cooling range & rate)
  - bulk transfer (shear, rebuilding)
  - equipment type & size (scale-up)
  - transport (sedimentation, phase separation)



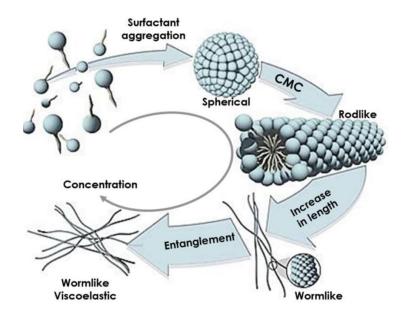
### **Regulatory Expectations**

Confirm Product (Dis)Similarity to RLD (Reference Listed Drug) for ANDA

- **Q1**: **Qualitative** ⇒Same components
- **Q2**: **Quantitative**  $\Rightarrow$ Q1 & same amount

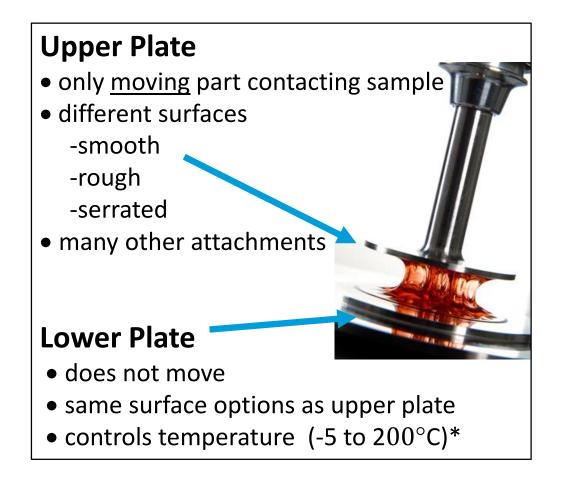
Q3\*: Microstructure

- $\Rightarrow$  Q1 + Q2 + <u>same arrangement of matter</u>
- ⇒ stability, batch-to-batch consistency



- → Rheometer may discern among arrangements based on association (entanglements) and their relaxation time
   → Rheological properties may affect biological activity
  - \* "Draft Guideline on Quality and Equivalence of Topical Products" European Medicines Agency (18Oct2018) (https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/quality-equivalence-topical-products#current-version-section)
  - \* "Generic Development of Topical Dermatologic Products: Formulation Development, Process Development, and Testing of Topical Dermatological Products" AAPS J. 2013 Jan; 15(1): 41-52 (<u>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3535108/</u>)
  - \* "Testing Topicals: Analytical Strategies for the In-Vitro Demonstration of Bioequivalence" Pharm Tech Sept 2018 (http://www.pharmtech.com/testing-topicals-analytical-strategies-vitro-demonstration-bioequivalence?pageID=1) Rhoology Testing Services

#### **Rheometer Overview**



\*Options to extend temperature ranges are available.

#### <u>Movements → torque</u>

- Rotational (1 direction)
- Oscillational (bi-directional)
- Vertical



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### By end of presentation.....

- What assay should I use?
- What experimental parameters should I consider?
- Appreciate which is more viscous honey or mayonnaise?  $\tau$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\eta$ ?
- Is silly putty viscoelastic solid or liquid? G', G", G\*,  $\delta$ ,  $\eta$ \*, tan delta?





BASIC RHEOLOGY ASSAYS ENTRÉES ...many side options available

#### ⇒ROTATIONAL

- Shear Rate (ramp or step-wise)
- Shear Stress Ramp
- Thixotropy (3-step or more)
- Creep-Recovery
- Temperature Ramp with single shear stress or shear rate
- Tribology (friction, lubricity)

#### ⇒OSCILLATIONAL

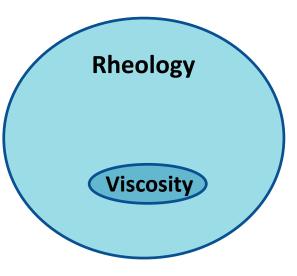
- Amplitude Sweep
- Frequency Sweep
- Thixotropy (3-step or more)
- Single Frequency over time for stability
- Temperature Ramp with single frequency

#### $\Rightarrow$ VERTICAL

- Squeeze-Pull Away (stickiness, model chewing)
- Surface Tension



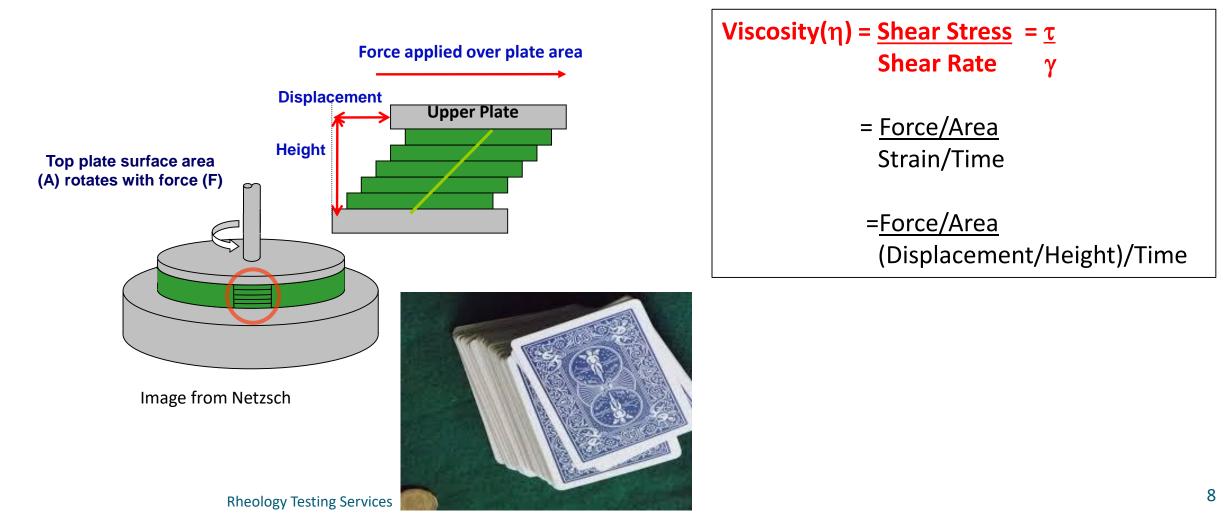
Rheology is much more than just viscosity!



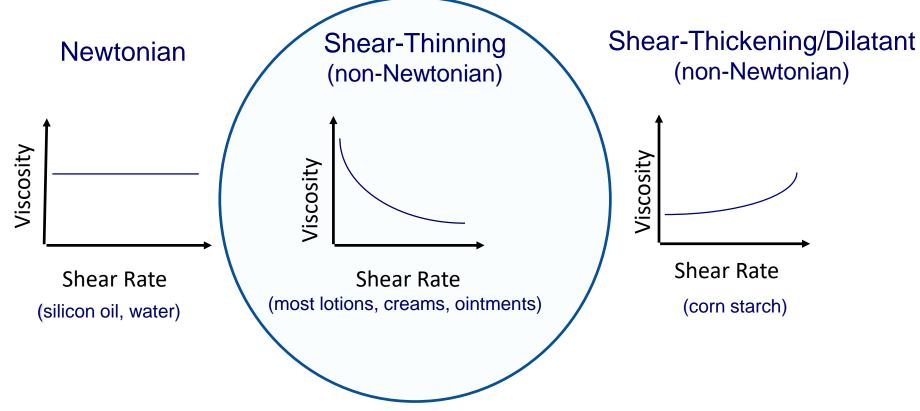
### **Principle – Viscosity**

Viscosity is "resistance to flow" under applied force, either stress or strain controlled

• Quantifies the <u>push</u> (stress) needed for material to <u>move</u> a certain speed (shear rate) & vice versa



#### Flow Curves ⇒ Rotational Assay

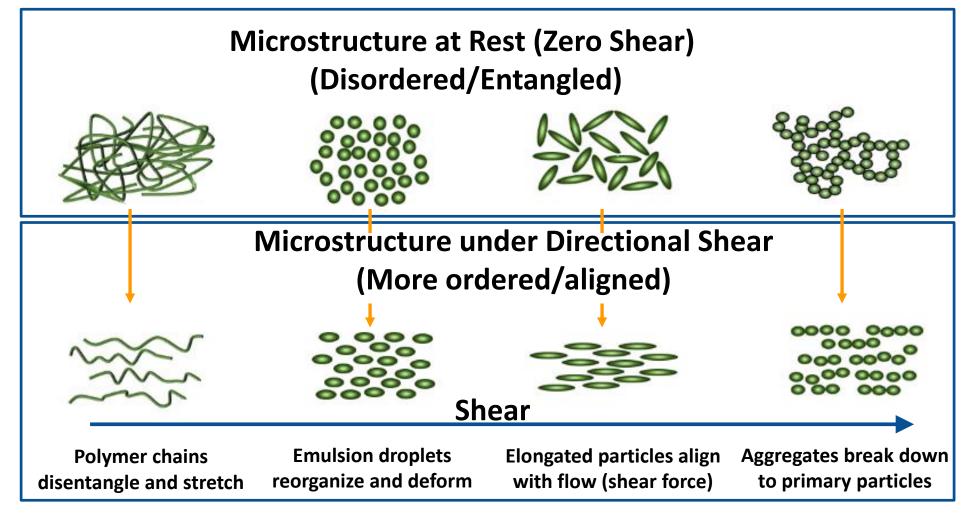


- Many semisolids shear thin (non-Newtonian)
- Helpful to model processes (spreading, pumping, syringability, feel)

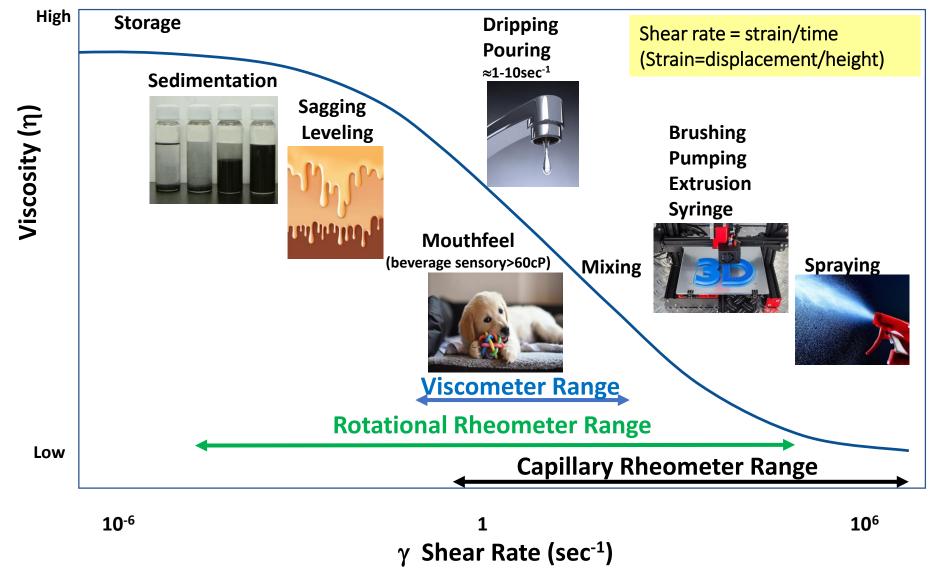
Shear rate = strain/time (Strain=displacement/height)

# Effect of Shear on Microstructure.."go with the flow"

- $\Rightarrow$  Biologicals, polymers, emulsions
- $\Rightarrow$  Larger & irregular particles tend to increase viscosity
- $\Rightarrow$  Mixtures having more polydisperse particles tend to have lower viscosity

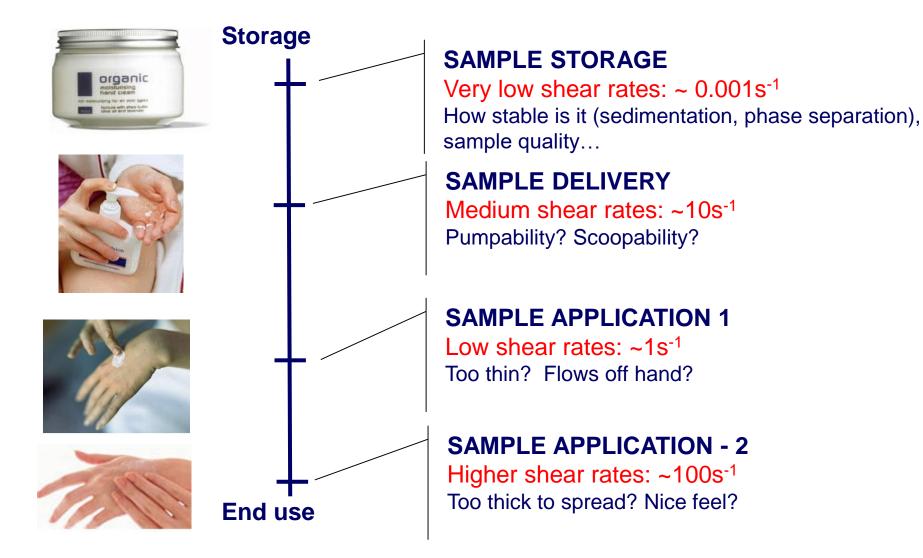


#### Shear Rate of Processes - range 10<sup>10</sup> (10 billion)



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#### **Shear Rates of Common Processes**



### **Calculation: Shear Rate Calculations of Common Processes**

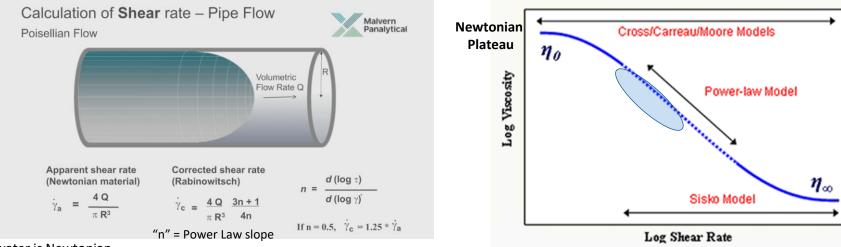
#### **#1** Painting:



Shear rate  $\gamma$  = velocity / height = 0.1m/sec / 0.0002m = 500sec<sup>-1</sup>

> Velocity (v) = 0.1 m/sec (≈4 in/sec) Paint thickness (h) = 200µm = 0.0002m

#### #2 Flow in capillaries, tubes, pipes $\rightarrow$ syringes, needles



\*water is Newtonian

\*\* toothpaste in non-Newtonian (above calc used Rabinowitsch correction) Rheology Testing Services

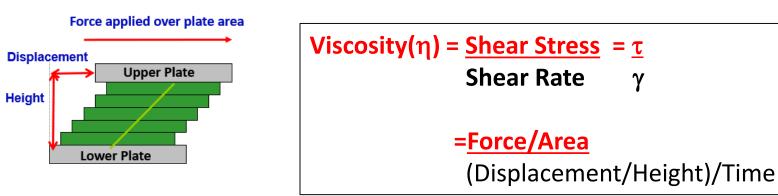
### Switching gears.....

# ⇒Application of rotational methods

# SHEAR <u>STRESS</u> RAMP ASSAY ⇒ "Flow Curve"

#### Analogous to revolving door

- Yield Stress: Force required to start moving door (yield point)
- Yield Viscosity: Viscosity at yield point.
- Very small initial movement (shear rate) at yield point with high stress gives high yield viscosity.





#### **Application: Yield Stress Ramp "Flow Curve" - Ketchup**

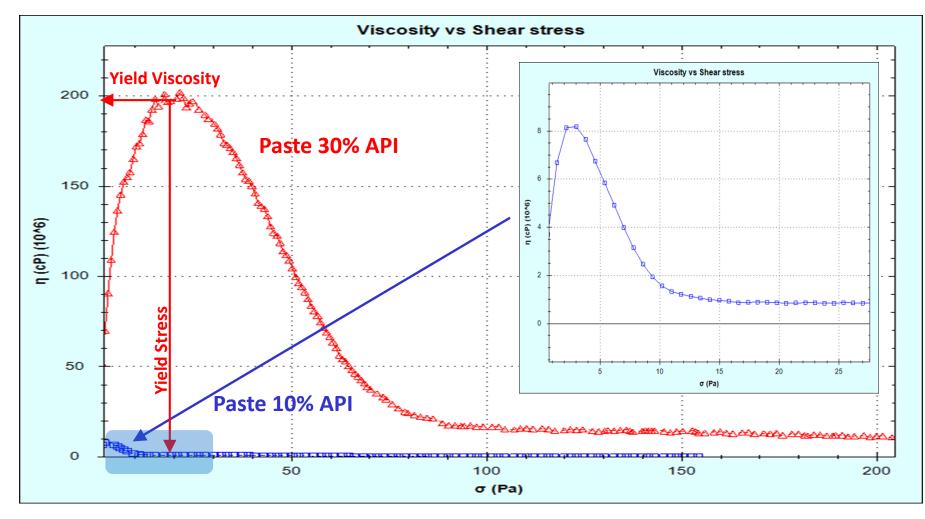
Issue: Client (engineers) needed data for process modelling



- Helpful model for difficult to pump or stir materials  $\rightarrow$  start up force
- Formulation optimization (type and amount of thickeners, excipients)
- Insight for manufacturing optimization
- Refine customer experience thicker, creamier
- Assay useful to model if sample is likely to settle. Stokes Law  $\rightarrow$  is downward force on particles > media yield stress?

# **Application: Yield <u>Stress Ramp</u> - Pharmaceutical paste**

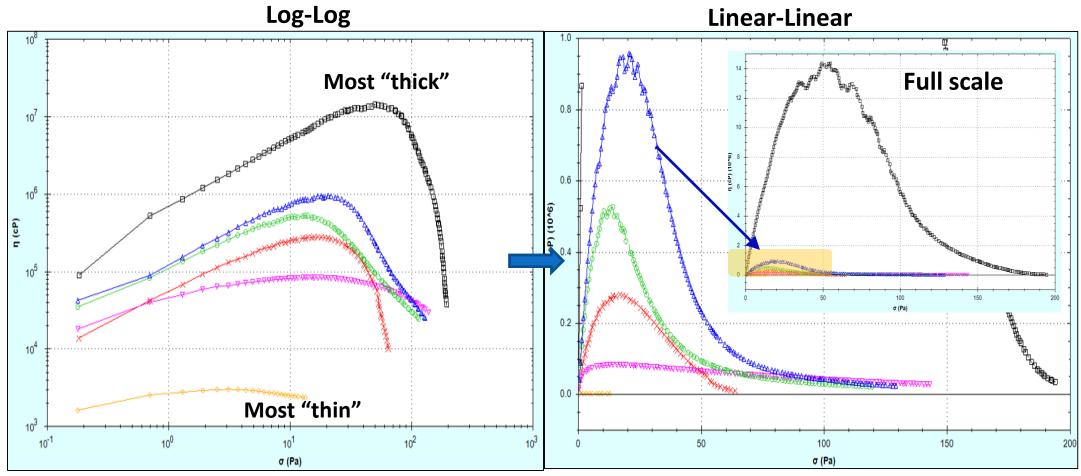
- Issue: Client needed to quantify impact of % API on processing & application
- ▶ **Result**: 30% API paste has higher yield stress & yield viscosity → difficult to initiate movement



Stress = Force/Area

### **Application: Yield <u>Stress Ramp</u> - Arthritis products**

- Issue: Client requested side-by-side rheological profiles for 6 products
- **Results:** Orders of magnitude differences!
- Experimental: 25mm rough parallel plate, 200um gap (100uL sample), 0-300Pa/300sec



**Stress = Force/Area** 

# **Application: Sedimentation using Yield Stress**

**Downward** <u>stress</u> on a spherical particle in dilute suspension is estimated by Stokes' Law

 $\sigma_{\rm s} = r * g * \frac{d - \rho}{3}$ 

$$V_{s} = 2 r^{2} * g * (d-\rho)$$

$$9\eta_{0}$$

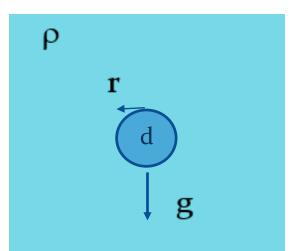
- $\sigma_{\text{s}}$  = sedimentation stress on particle
- r = particle radius
- g = gravitational acceleration
- d = particle density
- $\rho$  = fluid density
- V<sub>s</sub> = sedimentation velocity
- $\eta_0\,$  = zero shear viscosity

 $\Rightarrow$ If sample's measured yield stress >  $\sigma_s$ , then sedimentation less likely assuming suspending media doesn't shear thin during transport and handling.

Ref: azom.com/article.aspx?ArticleID=2885



Vodka with suspended gold flakes (non-Newtonian)

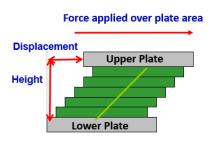


# Switching gears.....

# ⇒Application of rotational methods

# -SHEAR <u>RATE</u> RAMP ASSAY

Viscosity(η) = <u>Shear Stress</u> = <u>τ</u> <u>Shear Rate</u> γ = <u>Force/Area</u> <u>Strain/Time</u> =<u>Force/Area</u> (Displacement/Height)/Time



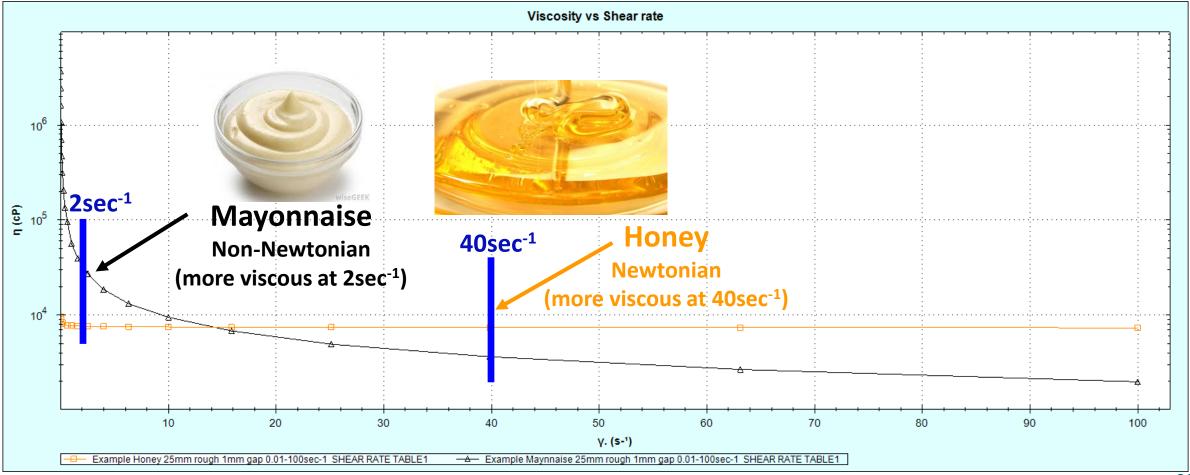


### Shear Rate Ramp

Which is more viscous – honey or mayonnaise?

Depends on shear rate..... CRITICAL CONSIDERATION WHEN COMPARING VISCOSITIES

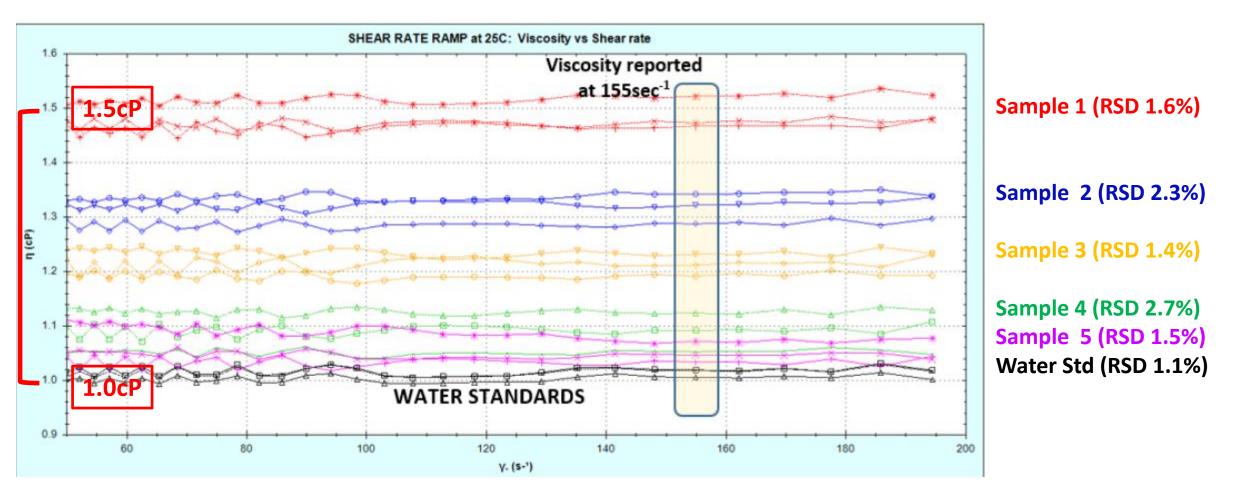
 $\rightarrow At \ 2sec^{-1} \quad \eta_{Mayonnaise} > \eta_{Honey} \\ \rightarrow At \ 40sec^{-1} \quad \eta_{Honey} > \eta_{Mayonnaise} \\$ 



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### Shear Rate Ramp –6 Low Viscosity Samples

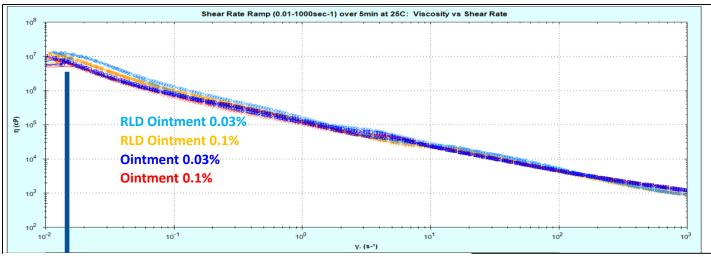
- Issue: Client needed to compare viscosity for aqueous formulations vs water
- **Result:** Able to resolve from water std & trends among very low viscosity samples within a very narrow range
- Experimental: 40mm smooth parallel plate, 300uL gap (380uL sample), 25°C, 50-200sec<sup>-1</sup>



### Shear Rate Ramp – 2 RLD vs 2 Generic Ointments

-Shear rate ramp (0.01-1000sec<sup>-1</sup>) over 5min at 25°C , 25mm rough plate -0.03% > 0.01% among both RLD and Generic ointments with good reproducibility (n=2)

#### $\log$ - $\log$ $\rightarrow$ Samples look reasonably similar in plot



#### log-linear $\rightarrow$ Not so much at low shear rates!



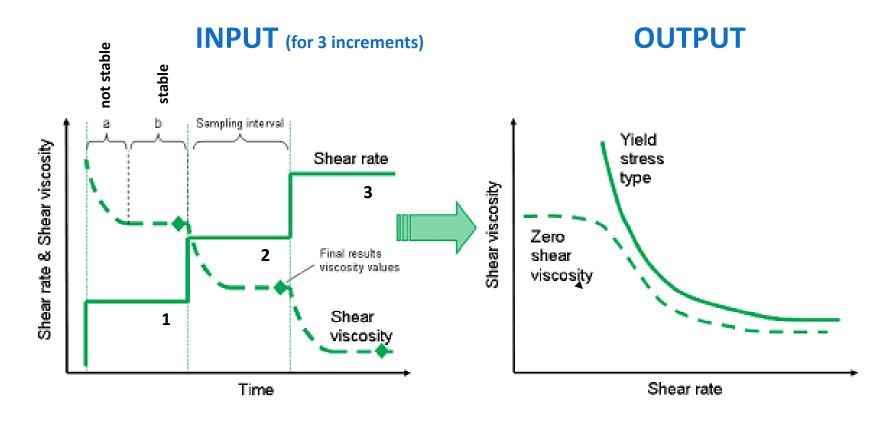
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### **Principle: Viscosity – <u>Stepwise</u> Shear Rate**

-Incrementally step up, then can also step down thru shear rates

-Can define viscosity stabilization (i.e. 5% change/5sec) or timeout (30sec) criteria before next shear rate.

-Helpful to model manufacturing processes, quantify post-shear thinning (ir)reversibility (hysteresis)

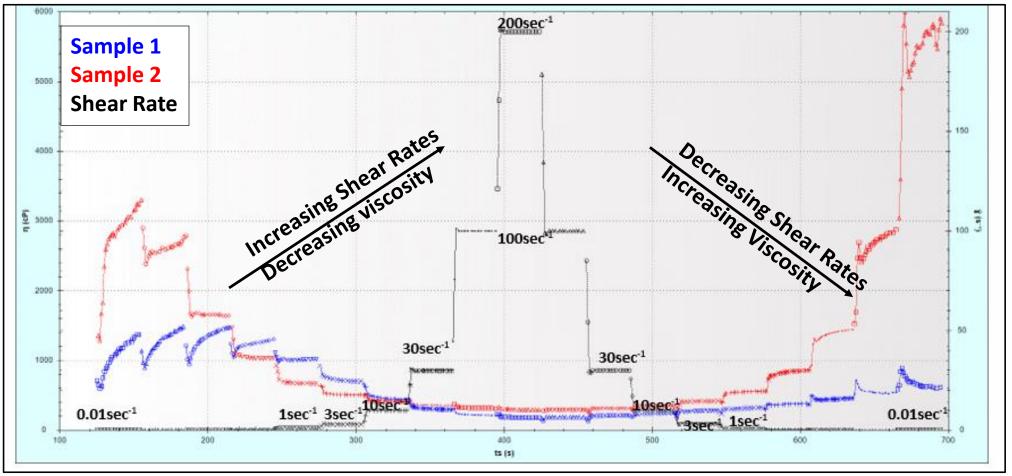


#### **Stepwise shear rate over increasing/decreasing rates for 2 polish samples**

- Experimental: 25mm rough plate, 300um gap (150uL), 0.01  $\rightarrow$  200  $\rightarrow$  0.01sec<sup>-1</sup>
- 30 seconds hold at each step (10 steps up / 9 steps down)

Results: -Samples thinned with increasing shear rate, then rebuilt with decreasing shear rate

-After shear thinning, Sample 1 under-rebuilt 0.53-fold vs initial, Sample 2 over-rebuilt 1.86-fold.



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# Application: <u>Stepwise</u> shear <u>rate</u> for arthritis products

- Move to next step after stability criteria met(5%).
  Depart average ever each step
- Report average over each step.

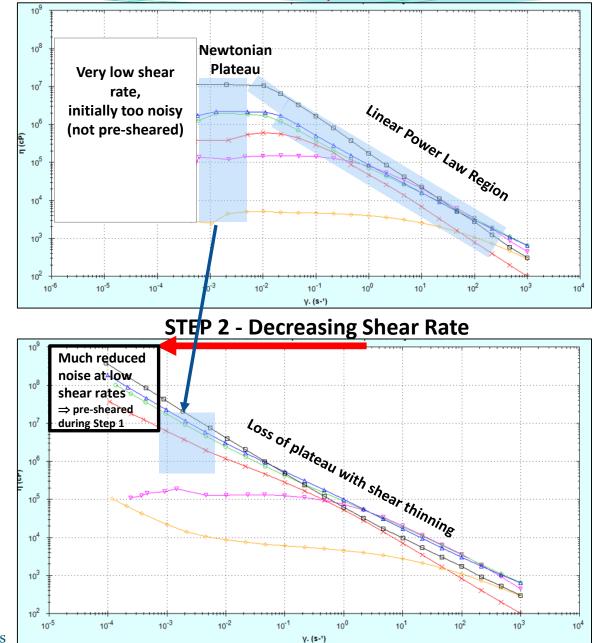
 Issue: Client requested side-by-side rheological profiling for comparison.
 1 of many methods.

#### ► Results:

-Very different among samples. -Increasing vs decreasing shear rate results different.

Experimental: 25mm rough plate, 200um gap (100uL), 0.0001-1000sec<sup>-1</sup>

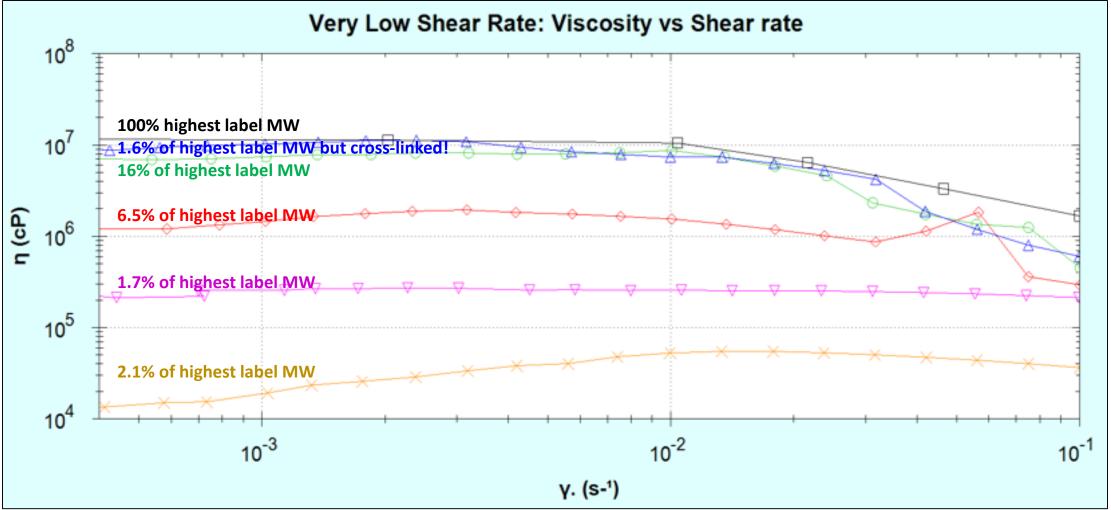
#### STEP 1 - Increasing Shear Rate



#### Application: Stepwise shear rate - Rank order macromolecule MW vs "zero" shear rate

- Issue: Client requested side-by-side rheological profile for several products
- **Results:** Viscosity at Newtonian Plateau correlate with molecular weight (MW).

Expanded plot from previous slide at very low shear rates.



#### **Application: Single Shear STRESS vs Temperature - 6 dispersed polymers**

- Issue: Client interested to screen for rheological differences & stability brief exposure to heat
- Result: Difference among batches. All appeared to be rheologically stable.
- Experimental: 25mm rough parallel plate, 0.2mm gap, 15Pa over 5-90-5°C (5°C/min)

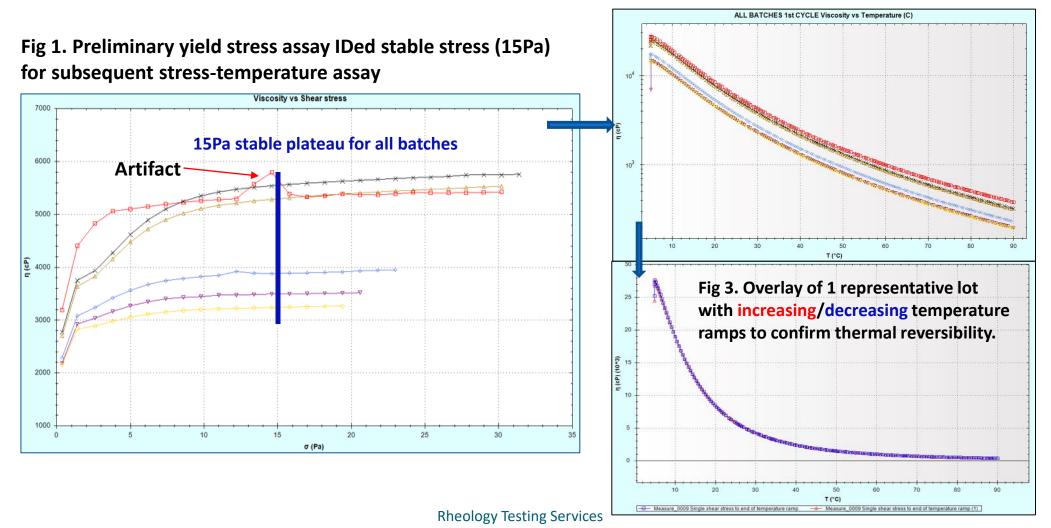


Fig 2. Increasing Temperature Ramp (6 lots)

Now that we've looked at some examples, some experimental considerations....

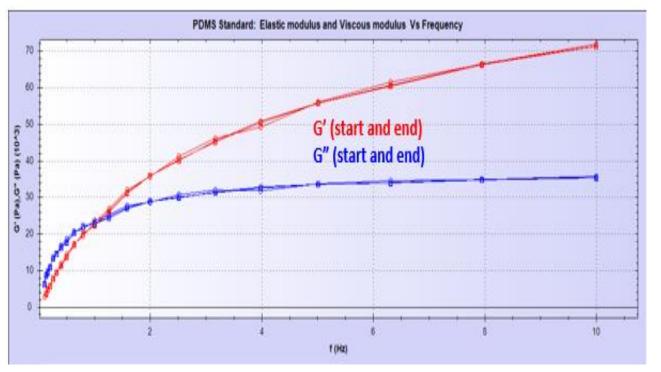


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### Preliminaries to ensure & confirm rheometer performance:

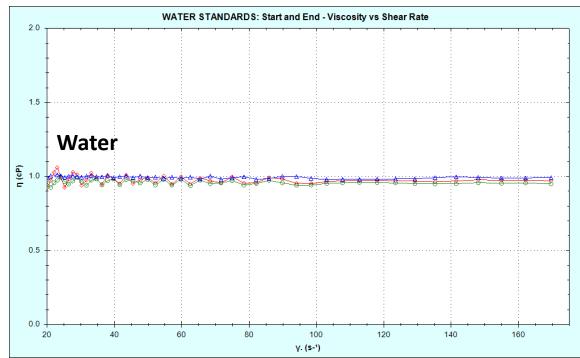
- Motor Warmup, Torque Mapping, Geometry Inertia
- Performance standards: <u>bracketing</u> water or silicone oil for rotational assays and PDMS for oscillational assays

# Oscillational Assays (PDMS): Frequency sweep 10→0.1Hz 25°C, 0.5% strain, 0.5mm gap with 25mm rough plate vs label claim



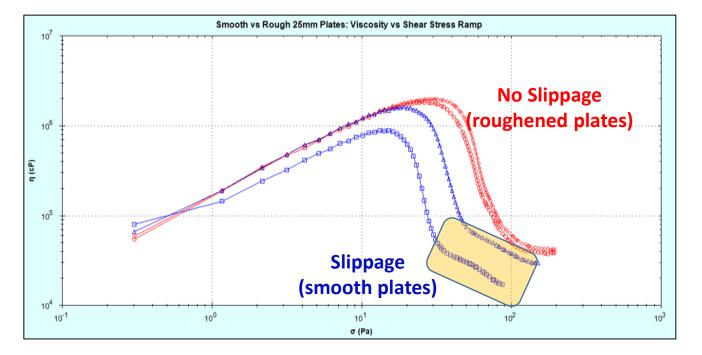
#### **Rotational Assays:**

- Water for highly aqueous, low viscosity samples
- Silicone oil standards for higher viscosities

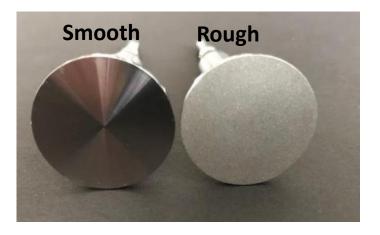


### Mindful about slippage at plate-sample interface

- Plate must impart force <u>through</u> sample, not just at plate-sample interface
- Slippage leads to experimental error, variability and conclusions
- Use roughened or serrated plates to reduce potential for slippage



Example of "Slippage" at of top cards  $\rightarrow$ 





# **Other Experimental Considerations**

#### Consistency is critical!

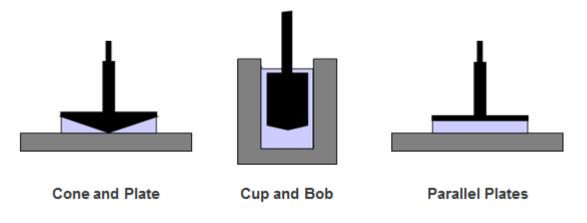
-Handling during loading (minimize shear, bubbles, volatiles loss (more later)) -Trim to remove excess sample

#### • Geometry: Cone, Plate or Cup & Bob, vane, many options

-Cone gives more consistent shear across sample vs plate.

-Cone not recommended for temperature sweeps if not compensate for thermal expansion

-Plate allows flexible and smaller gap to generate higher shear rate without losing sample. Cone has default gap.



#### • Plate/Cone Size

-Larger diameter provides more sample contact to provide more torque; but requires more sample

-Larger diameter is more sensitive for less viscous samples and achieves smaller strain amplitudes for oscillatory assays. -Smaller diameter better for increasingly viscous and viscoelastic samples.

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## **Other Experimental Considerations (continued)**

Consistency is critical! ...repeating

Shear rate = strain/time (Strain=displacement/height)

• Gap (sample height)

-Typically 0.2-1mm. Depends on sample and assay parameters. (human hair  $\approx$ 70+/-20um)

-Smaller gap requires less sample (100ul for25mm plate for 200um) -Smaller gap:

-facilitates assay at higher shear rate

-reduces potential to lose sample from gap at high shear rate

-small gap inaccuracies may lead to modest % assay error

-Larger gap facilitates smaller strain amplitude

-1/10 rule: plate-plate gap > 10x largest particle or droplet. Default gap for cone tip = 30um.

-Gap setting options to provide consistent sample loading:

-<u>height</u>  $\rightarrow$  Typical 200-1,000um.

 $-\underline{force} \rightarrow$  For samples with inconsistent thickness (i.e. cheese) or difficult to compress (polymer films). Rheometer software accounts for sample height.

⇒Kinexus rheometer tracks both gap height and force for each datapoint throughout assay

# **Other Experimental Considerations (continued)**

#### Pre-Shear or not to pre-shear.....

-Depends on question to be answered

-Any sample movement (loading) may irreversibly shear thin sample, maybe not ??! Screen with thixotropy assay (later) -Can apply very low pre-shear to "normalize" for handling effects

**BUT**... can "erase" other rheological properties especially if sample easily shear thins with poor rebuilding.

• Sample change during handling and analysis

#### -Curing, degradation, rebuilding, cross-linking, volatiles loss, etc

-Rotational: Screen with <u>single</u> shear rate or shear stress vs time at assay temperature(s) and monitor viscosity

-Oscillational: Screen with <u>single</u> frequency vs time & monitor G', G",  $\delta$ , G\* changes what are G', G",  $\delta$ , G\* ? Stay tuned.....

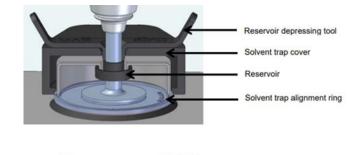
#### -Got volatiles? Use a solvent trap

-Maintain sample in enclosed volatiles saturated environment (i.e. humidity)

# -Sensitivity to oxidation at elevated temperature $\rightarrow$ enclosed, low N<sub>2</sub> flow





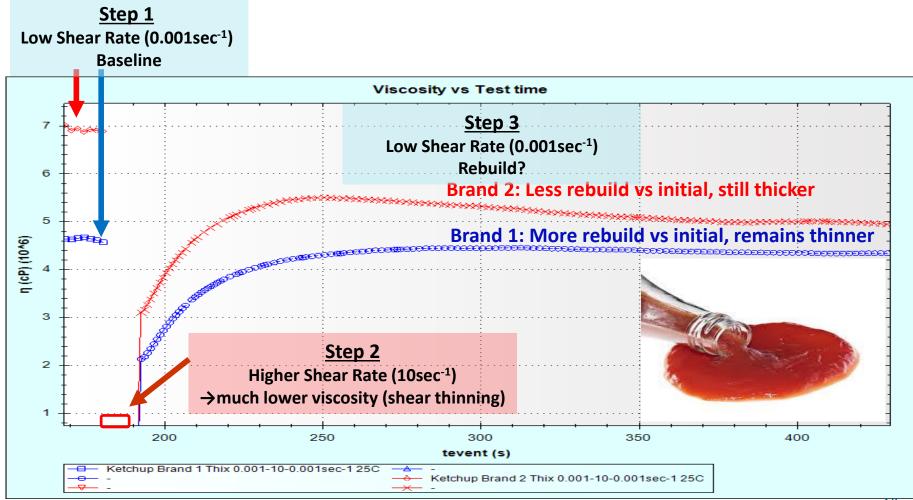




#### Application: Thixotropy (3-Step) – Ketchup...again

Issue: Client (engineers) requested ketchup data for process modelling Determine rebuild extent and rate after exposure to higher shear

- Careful about selection of shear rates for each step...not too low, not too high
- $\Rightarrow$ Depends on question seeking to answer.....



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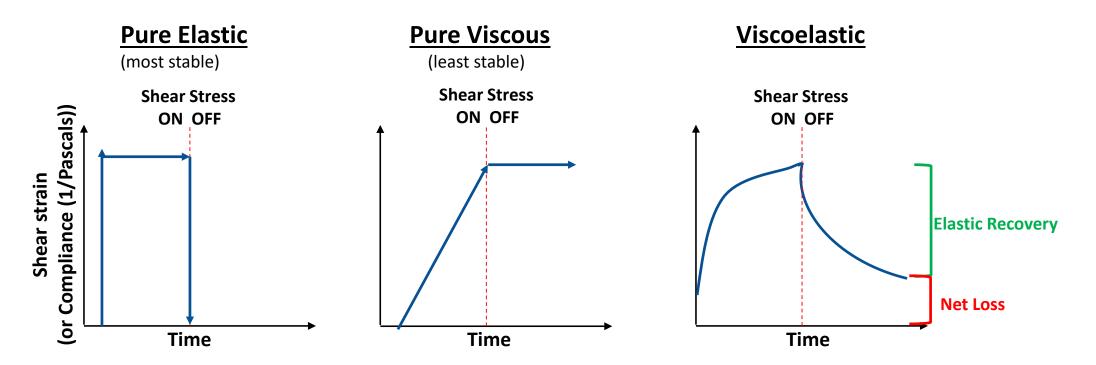
### **Creep-Recovery**

#### **Response to applied stress and release**

 ⇒ Quantitate net loss of elasticity following stress
 ⇒ Used to determine zero-shear viscosity and evaluate suspension stability



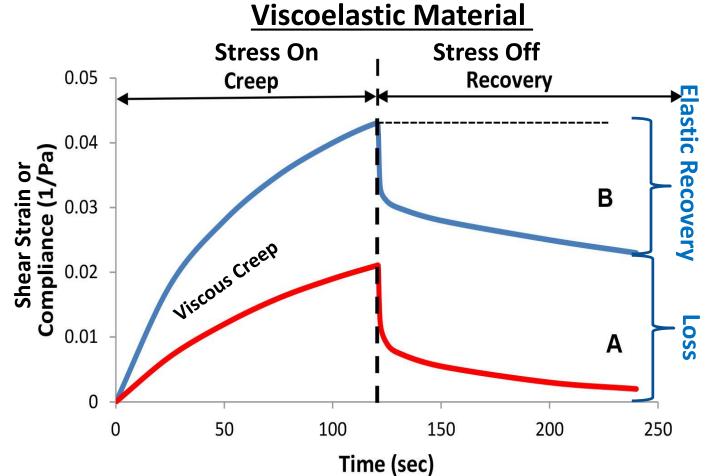
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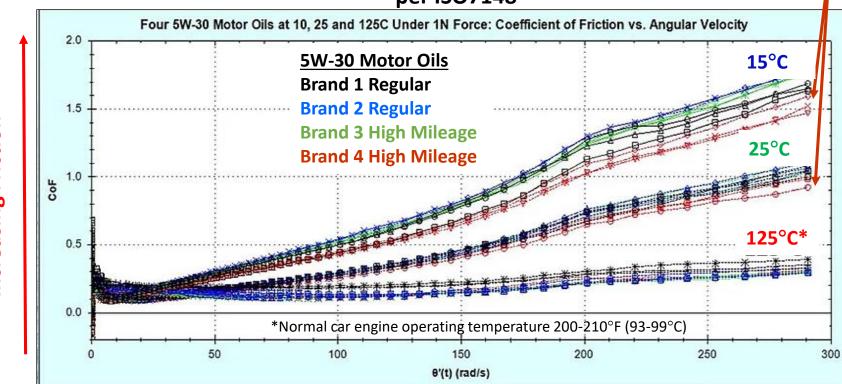
Squeeze/twist and release

### Application: Tribology (friction) of 5W-30 motor oils at 15, 25 & 125°C

Result: Differences among samples decrease with increasing temperature and decreasing shear ⇒ food and cosmetics applications



### **Brand 4 (high mileage)** lowest friction at lower temperatures as ↑shear.

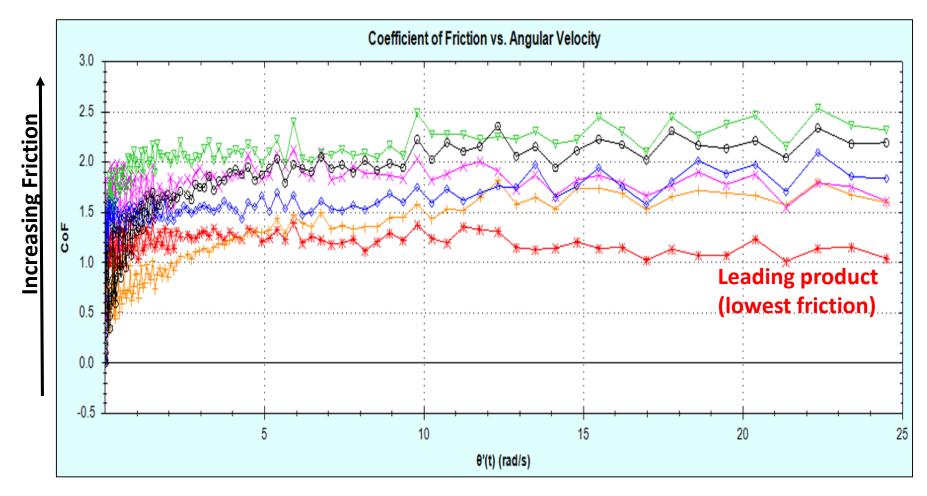


**Increasing Friction** 

**Stribeck Curves** 

# **Application: Tribology (friction) for arthritis products**

- Issue: Client wanted to compare friction properties of 6 products
- ► **Result:** Observed ≈2-fold difference with leading product having least friction among samples
- Experimental: 36°C, 0.2N over 0.0001 to 100 radians/sec. Requires ≈300uL sample



# Switching gears from rotational to oscillational assays

### Movements → torque

- Rotational (1 direction)
- Oscillational (bi-directional)
- Vertical





# Oscillation ≈ washing machine agitator...sort of

## 2 ways to modulate oscillation

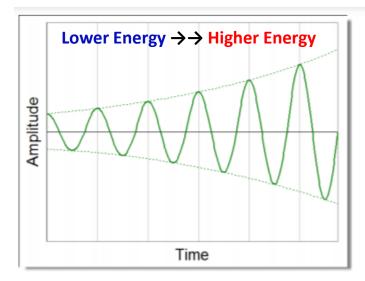
# **1. Amplitude (destructive)**

• Determine <u>Linear Viscoelastic Region</u> (LVER)  $\Rightarrow$  "Breaking point" of structure  $\propto$  stability

• Textural properties: stiffness, springiness, structural strength, brittleness

# 2. Frequency (non-destructive)

- Measure response to event time =1/freq
- -Probe structural properties within <u>LVER</u> to maintain rheological integrity during assay



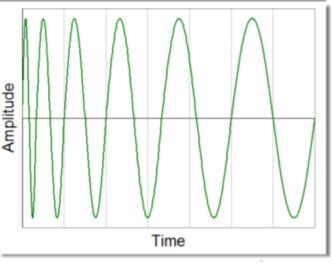
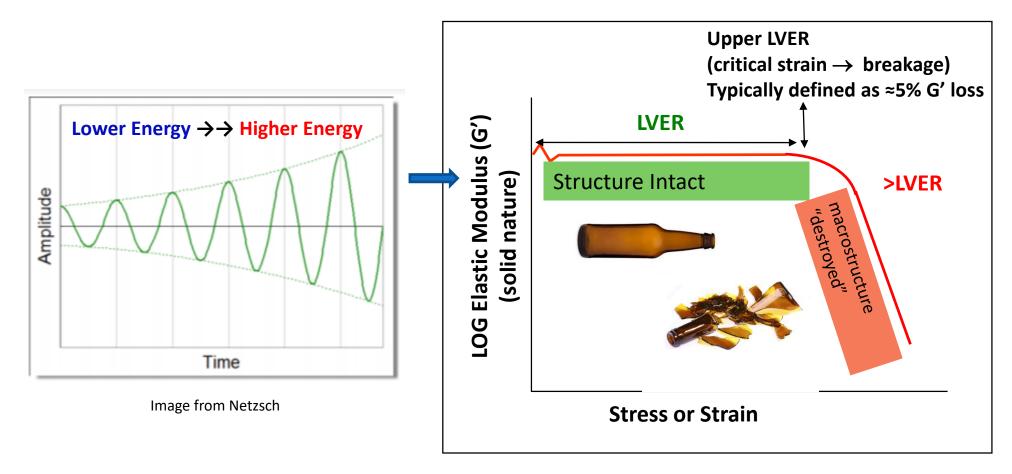


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### **Oscillation - Amplitude Sweep**

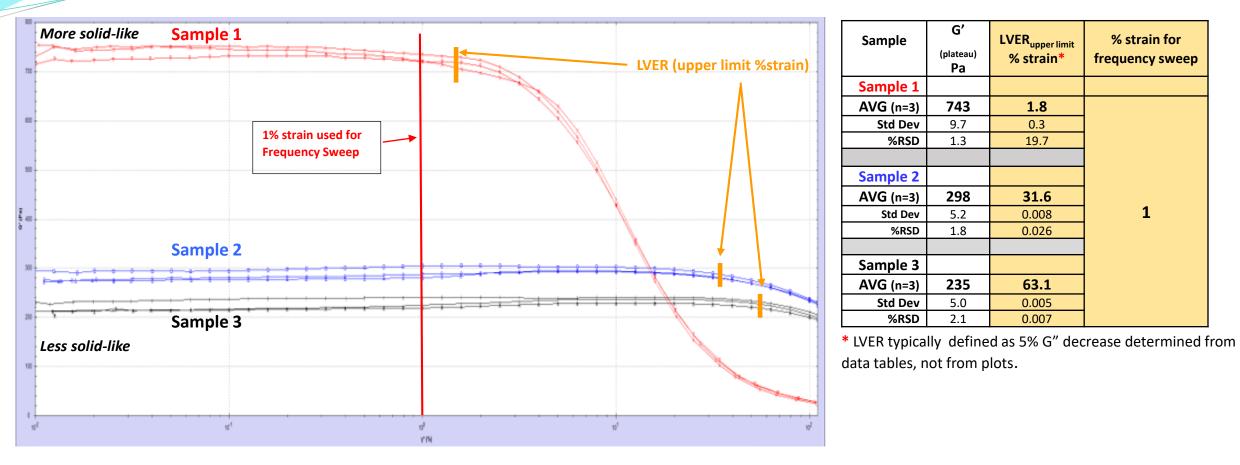
 $\Rightarrow$  Increase amplitude (energy) until "break" macrostructure

- ⇒ Determine LVER <u>before</u> perform frequency sweep to ensure sample integrity
- $\Rightarrow$  LVER can be frequency and temperature dependent



### Application: Amplitude Sweep: G' vs % strain $\rightarrow$ LVER for biomedical gels containing hyaluronic acid

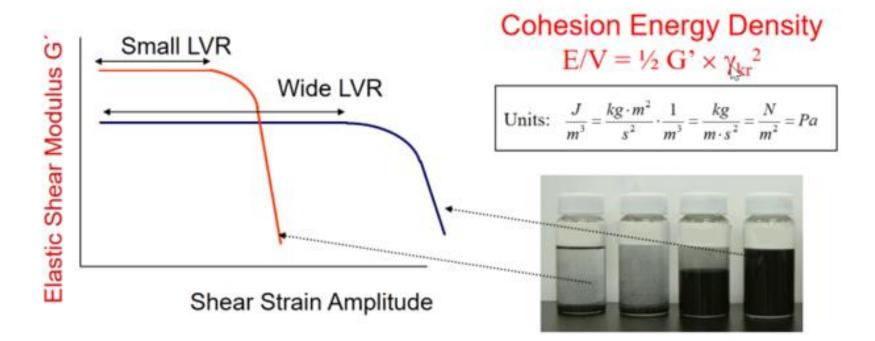
- ▶ Issue: Compare properties. <u>ALSO</u> needed LVER from amplitude sweep for subsequent frequency sweep assay input.
- **Result:** Observed large G' differences. Determined input %strain for subsequent frequency sweep



Interpretation of Amplitude Sweeps: Shelf Life of Dispersions



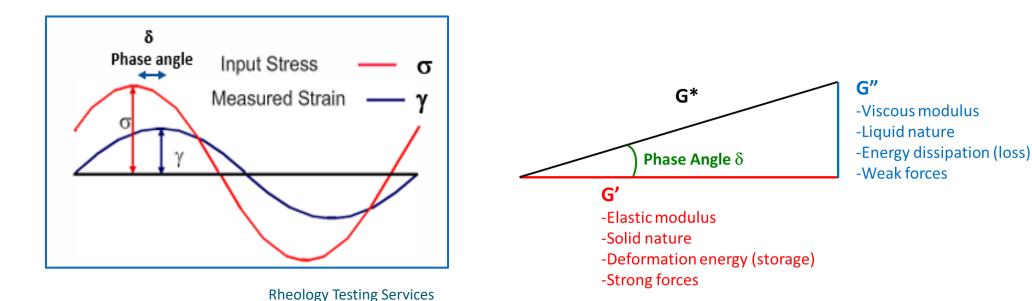
Quick Check of Shelf Life without Prediction of Timescale!



Long-Range Interactions increase the Cohesion Energy by enlarging the LVR.

# FREQUENCY SWEEP: Outputs G', G", $\delta$ , G\*, $\eta$ \* and tan delta

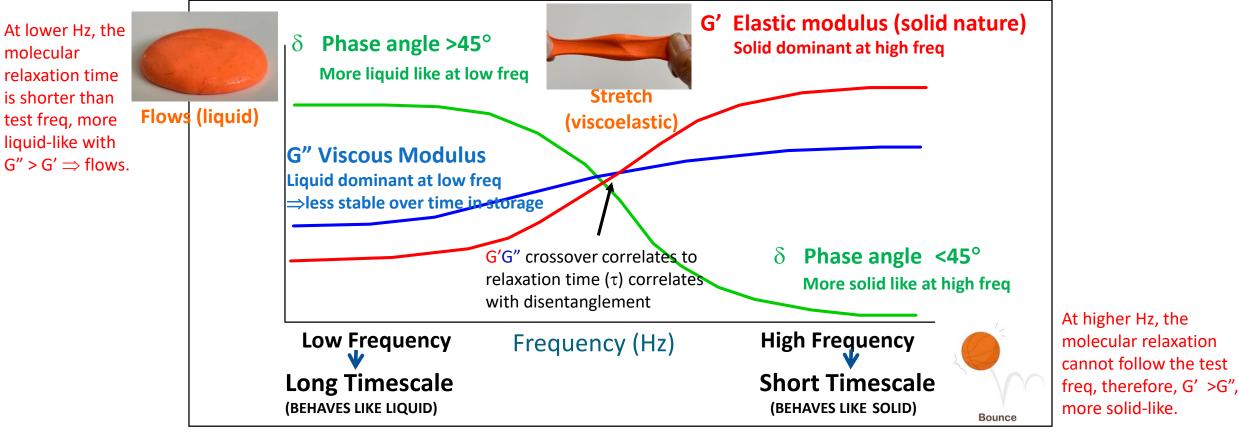
- G' (Pascals) = elastic or "storage" modulus ≈ solid nature
- G" (Pascals) = viscous or "loss" modulus ≈ liquid nature
- $\delta$  (degrees) = phase angle  $\rightarrow$  increasingly solid 45° to 0°
  - $\rightarrow$  increasingly liquid 45° to 90°
- tan  $\delta$  = G" / G' = energy lost/energy stored during cyclic deformation tan  $\delta < 1 \rightarrow$  particles highly associated due to colloidal forces, sedimentation could occur
- G\* (complex modulus) =  $Stress_{(max)}$  /  $Strain_{(max)} \propto Stiffness$
- $\eta^*$  (complex viscosity) = G\*/  $2\pi f$  where f= angular frequency (rad/sec)





# Frequency Sweep: Example Silly Putty → Liquid or Solid?

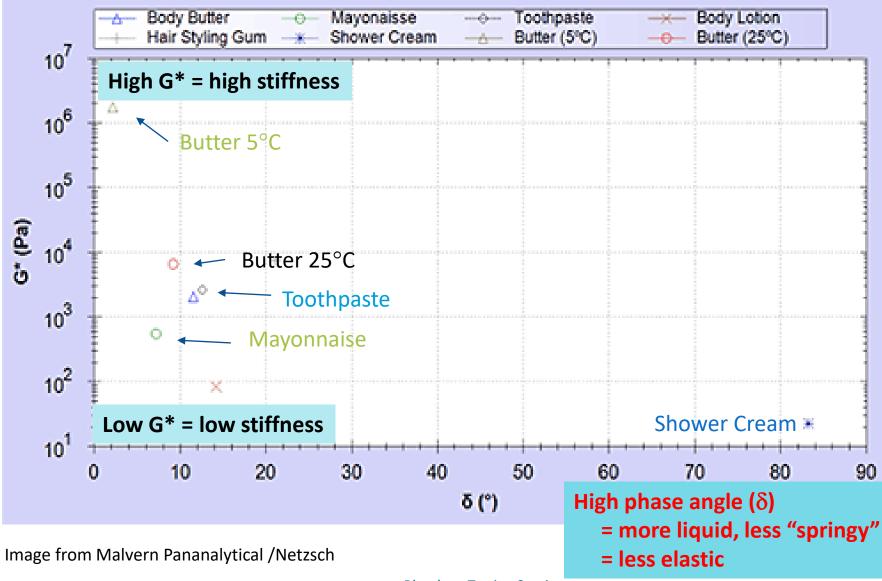
- Probe properties across a time domain. Frequency = 1/time (sec)
- Unique rheological "fingerprint" or "spectrum"
- Use % strain as assay input < LVER from amplitude sweep



### **Bounces (solid)**

# **Quantifying Texture**

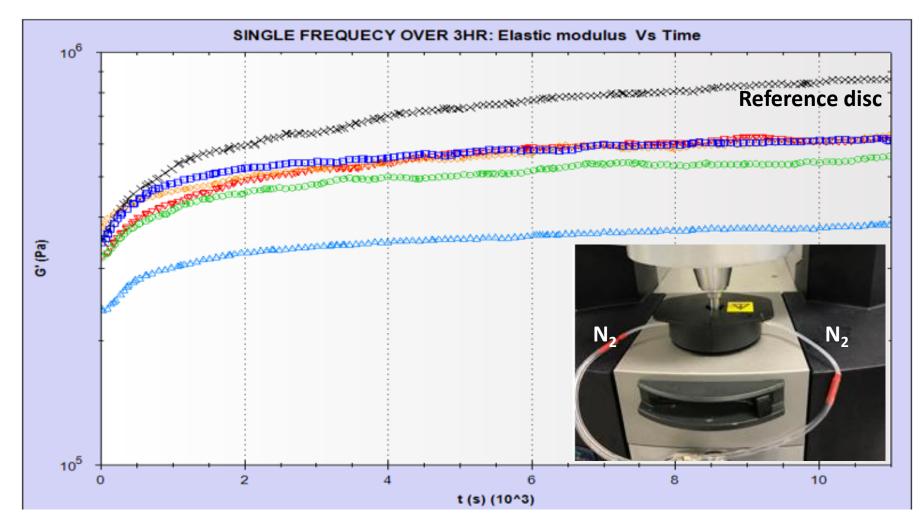
Complex modulus (G\*) vs Phase Angle ( $\delta$ ) at 1Hz and consistent %strain



Application: Primary assay: Single frequency for polymeric discs gapped with 4N downward

force, then assayed 3hrs at 180°C under N<sub>2</sub> using 1.59Hz at 0.5% strain

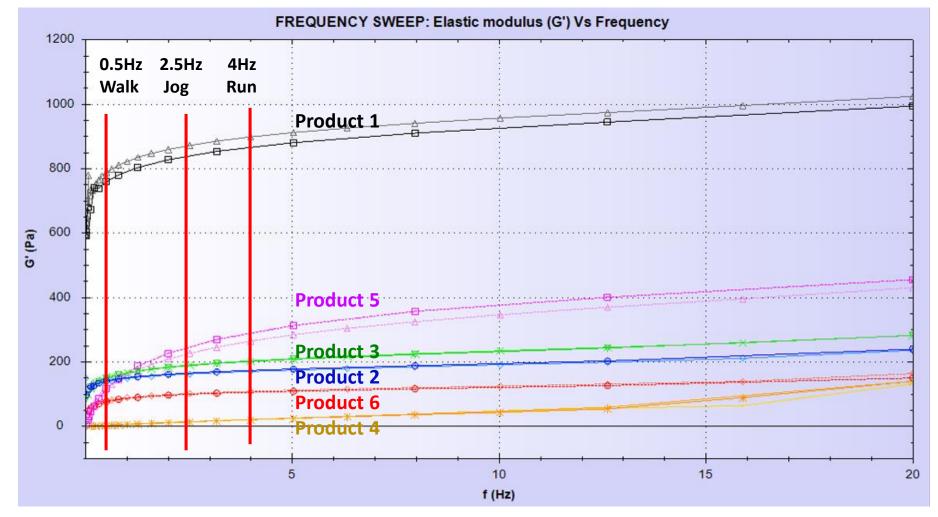
- ► Issue: Compare thermal stability discs vs % anti-oxidant
- ► **Result:** Samples different regarding G'<sub>(plateau)</sub> and stabilization rate



### Application: Frequency sweep - G' from 20 to 0.01Hz, 3% strain\* – 6 Arthritis products (n=2 each)

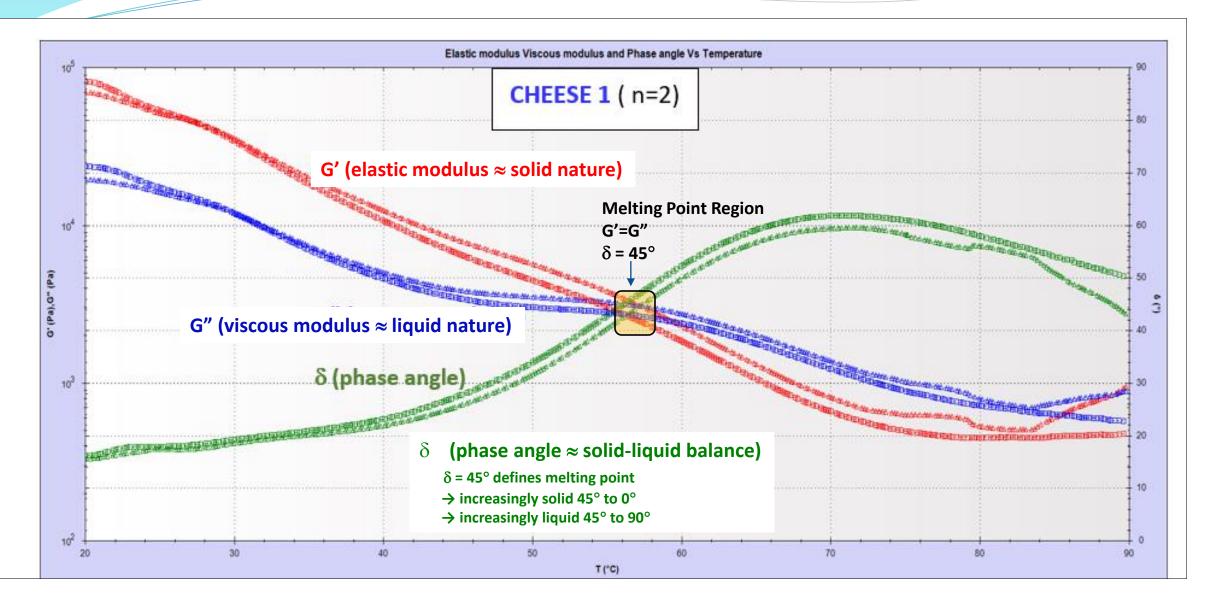
 $\Rightarrow$ Illustrate products stiffen more than others with increasing frequency ( $\propto$  exercise) as shown in results

- Issue: Client requested detailed side-by-side rheological profile of 6 products for comparison
- **Results:** Significant differences. Helpful for Q3 (ANDA) pharma, ID counterfeit and adulterated products



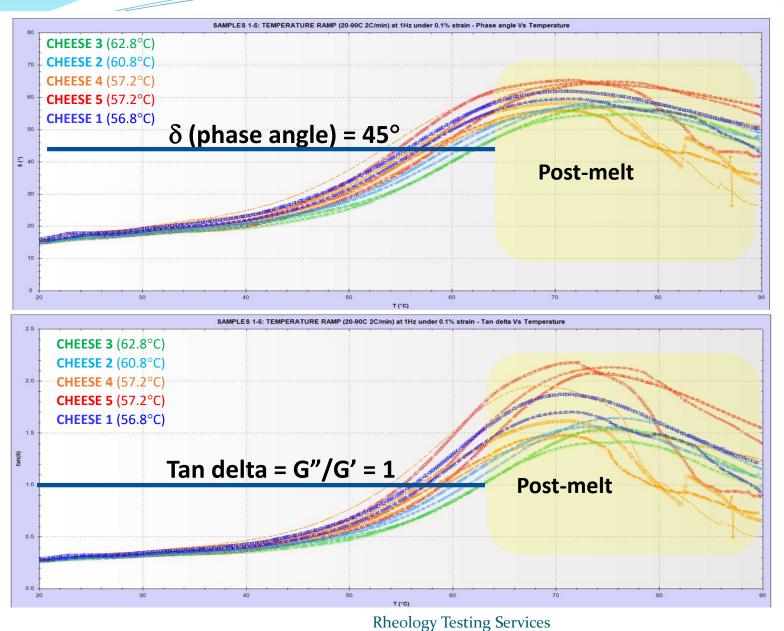
\* 3% strain obtained from literature and also confirmed with amplitude sweep

### **MELTING BY TEMPERATURE SWEEP – OSCILLATION MODE: SINGLE FREQUENCY vs TIME**



## **MELTING BY TEMPERATURE SWEEP – OSCILLATION MODE: SINGLE FREQUENCY**

Quantify by phase angle ( $\delta$ =45°) and Tan delta (G"/G'=1)



<b>REPRODUCIBILITY*</b>		*Value
Connella	Melt Point	direct
Sample	°C	<u>not</u> fro
CHEESE 1	56.28	
	57.35	
AVG	56.8	
CHEESE 2	60.21	
	61.41	
AVG	60.8	
CHEESE 3	62.93	
	62.69	
AVG	62.8	
		r.
	59.39	
CHEESE 4	58.46	A
CHELSE 4	53.95	
	56.96	
AVG	57.2	
CHEESE 5	58.93	
	55.32	
	57.49	
AVG	57.2	

\*Values determined directly from data file not from figure.

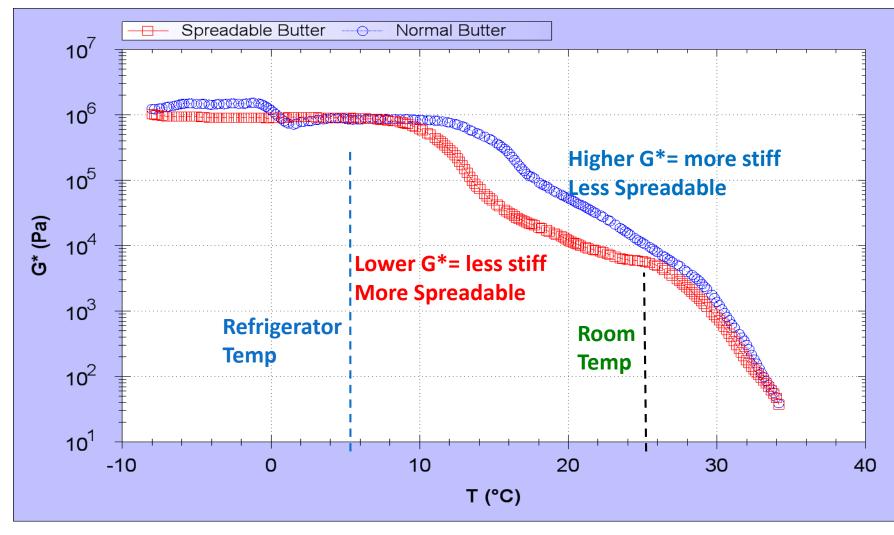
Apparent outlier

# **TEMPERATURE SWEEP – OSCILLATION MODE**

# $G^* \propto stiffness$

• Spreadable butter contains fats & oils that melt at lower temperatures

making it easier to spread at lower temperature.

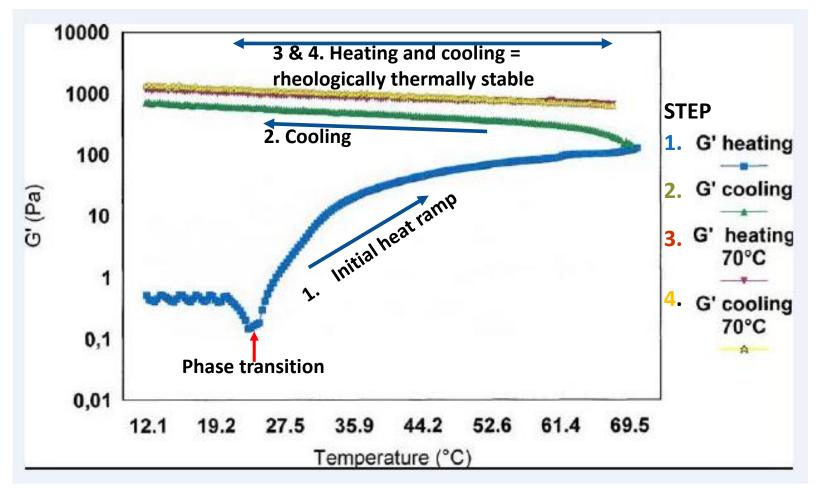




# **TEMPERATURE SWEEP TO PROBE THERMAL (IR)REVERSIBILITY**

- Can do in either rotational or oscillational mode
- Probe properties with multiple temperature up/down sweeps.
- Important for manufacturing and low/high temperature exposure (winter/summer)

Example showing irreversible rheological change to more thermally stable material



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# **FREQUENCY SWEEP**

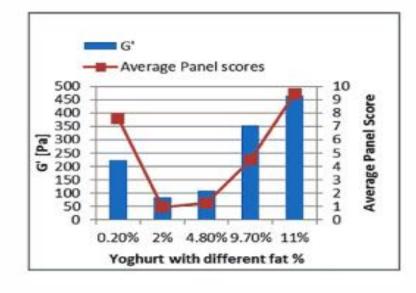
- pull-away assay also correlates with sensory

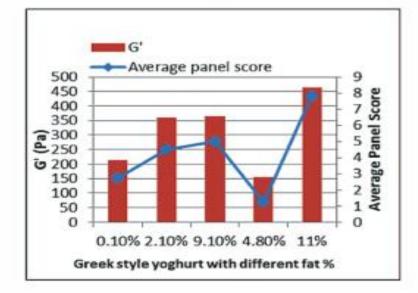
Yogurt - sensory-rheology Firmness vs elastic modulus relationship High fat always scores well.....

Note G' here - correlates to panel score ....

Dairy Innovation Australia Sensor Analysis Lab







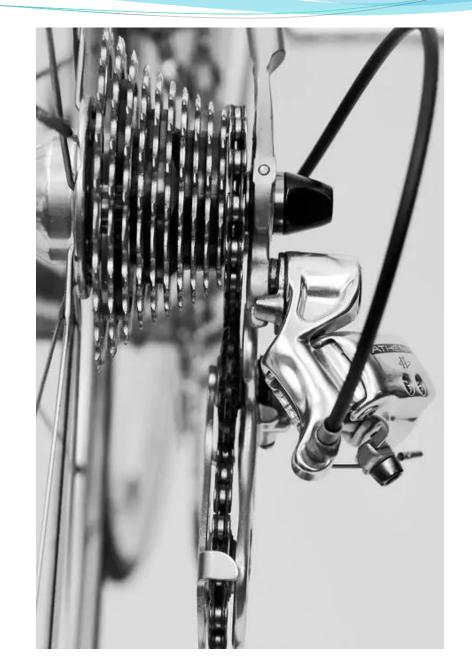
Ranjan Sharma Dairy Australia/NCDEA "Sensory Quality Aspects of Yoghurt" Webinar - 11 July 2013 Image from Malvern Pananalytical/ Netzsch

# Switching gears to vertical assays -pull away -model chewing -surface tension

### <u>Movements → torque</u>

- Rotational (1 direction)
- Oscillational (bi-directional)
- Vertical





# **Squeeze-Pull Away for Several Manufacturing Input Sources**

- Models adhesion/cohesion, stickiness, mastication (chewing)
  - -peak pull-away force (Newtons) for tack
  - -area under the curve (N-sec) for adhesion/cohesion strength
  - -time (sec) for 90% of force reduction for failure

Normal force (N) Vs Tiime (sec) -0.7 -0.6 -0.5 -0.4 -0.3 Ē -0.2 Ы -0 0.0 0.1 0.2 0.0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 t (s)



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# **Squeeze-Pull Away to Model Chewing**



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Instrumental mastication assay for texture assessment of semi-solid foods: Combined cyclic squeezing flow and shear viscometry

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Compression

Load

sample



Fixed Gap (with or without shear)

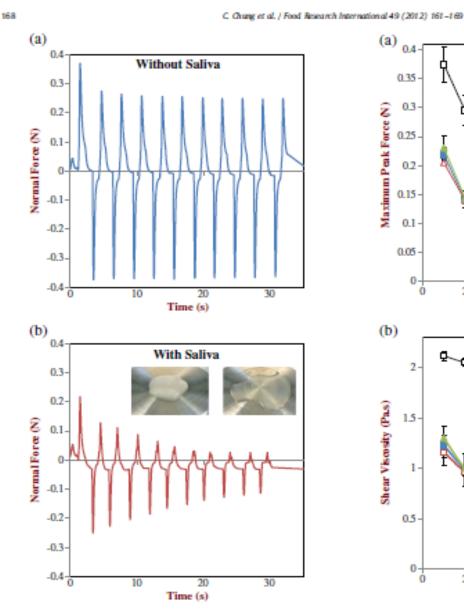


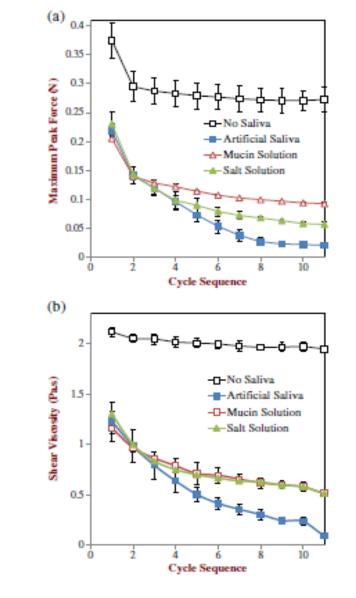


 Table 1

 Chemical composition of artificial saliva (Mandel et al., 2010; Sarkar et al., 2009).

Chemical type	Concentration (g/L) or activity (units/mL)
Sodium chloride	1.594
Ammonium nitrate	0.328
Potassium phosphate	0.636
Potassium chloride	0.202
Potassium citrate	0.308
Uric acid sodium salt	0.021
Urea	0.198
Sodium DL-lactate/lactic acid sodium salt	0.146
Mucin from porcine stomach, type II	30
Alpha amylase activity	93 units/mL



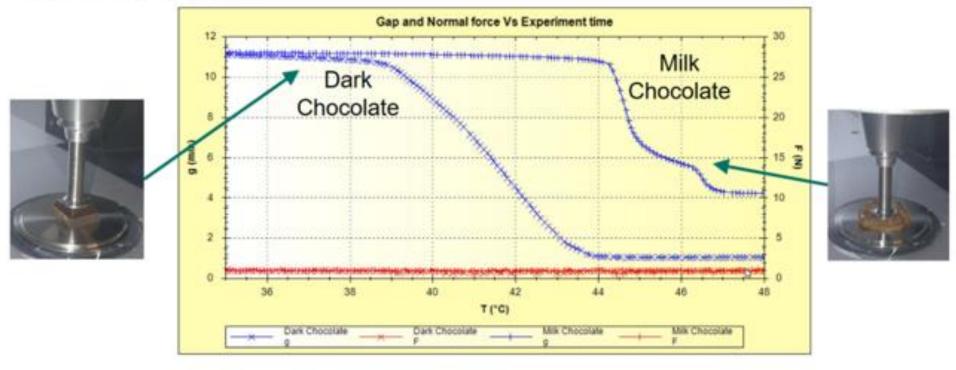


# **Axial Testing to Quantify Texture with Heating- Chocolate**

Chocolate Rheometry Axial Testing Results



 These relative tests allow for a close correlation, under more scientific control, of properties that we "feel" and know



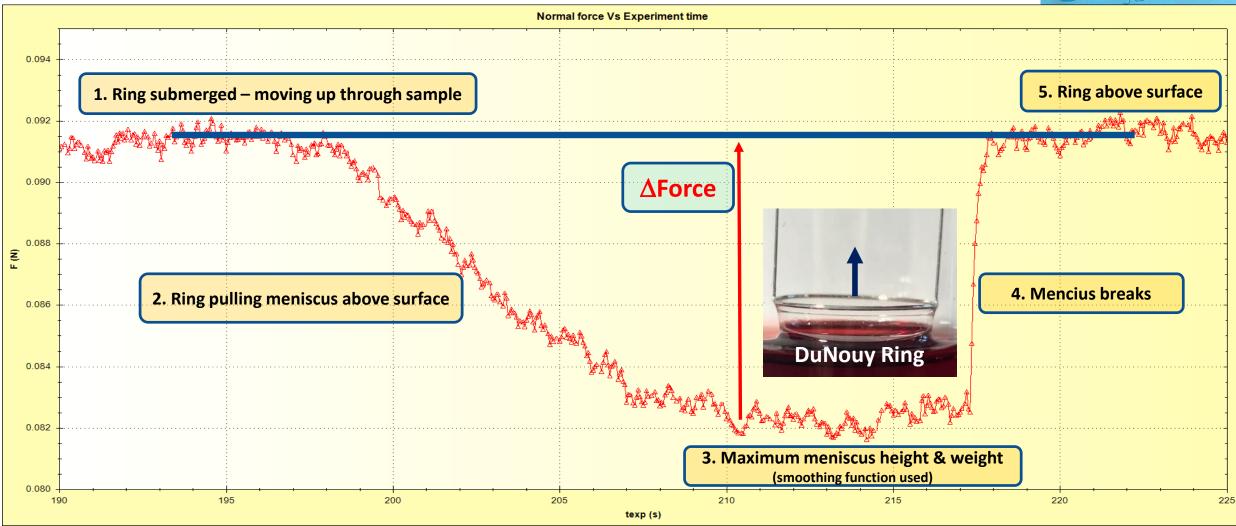
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# Principle: Interfacial surface tension (liquid-air, liquid-liquid)

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Sample Description	# Pulls	Average Surface Tension (milliNewton/meter)	%RSD
HPLC grade water START	12	71.99	5.3
1mg/mL SET 1	6	72.99	4.4
1mg/mL SET 2	6	72.90	3.6
HPLC grade water INTERIM 2	6	71.99	4.6
10mg/mL SET 1	6	63.84	3.4
10mg/mL SET 2	6	63.89	5.1
HPLC grade water END	6	71.99	1.8

# **Example Results**

# CONCLUSIONS

✓ Rheology is <u>much</u> more than viscosity!
 ✓ Many approaches to characterize materials. Depends on the questions to be answered.
 ✓ Viscosity will often decrease with increasing shear rate = shear thinning (non-Newtonian).
 →Report viscosity with associated shear rate.
 ✓ Regulatory considerations!

 $\sqrt{Numerous}$  experimental considerations

### ⇒ROTATION

- Shear stress <u>ramp</u> and <u>stepwise</u>: "Flow curve". Model delivery, performance & processes.
- Shear rate <u>ramp</u> and <u>stepwise</u>: Compare products
- Thixotropy: Rebuild after shear thinning? Ketchup, paint, toothpaste
- Single shear rate or stress over time: Stability
- Temperature sweep: Change with temperature, model processes
- Creep-Recovery
- Tribology (friction, lubricity): motor oil, arthritis products

### ⇒OSCILLATION

- Amplitude sweep: Define LVER  $\infty$  breaking point  $\infty$  rheological stability
- Frequency sweep: Rheological fingerprint across frequency (1/time) domain. Silly putty. Model arthritis products. Texture.
- Temperature sweep and cycling: Polymeric discs, thermal (ir)reversibility, melting point

### $\Rightarrow$ VERTICAL

- Squeeze Pull Away: stickiness, model chewing, texture
- Surface Tension





# **Backup Slides**

### **Plate Considerations**

Geometry Size	Advantages	Disadvantages
Larger surface area	-Use for lower viscosity samples	-Requires more sample
Smaller surface area	-Use for higher viscosity samples	-May not provide adequate
	-Requires less sample	response since less sample area

Geometry Surface	Advantages	Disadvantages
Smooth	-Easy to clean	-May give slippage
Roughened	-Easy to clean	-May still give slippage
	-May reduce potential for slippage	
Serrated	-Most aggressive to reduce	-May need brush to clean
	slippage	-May "gouge" sample surface

Geometry Type	Advantages	Disadvantages
Flat (parallel)	-Good for high viscosity fluids	-Variable shear rate across radius. Sample may yield at edge before center.
Cone (2 & 4°)	-Good for low viscosity fluids -Constant shear rate in gap	Don't use for temperature sweeps unless rheometer compensates for thermal expansion

# **Optimizing Dispersion, Colloidal and Emulsion Stability**

### (dispersed phase <1mm)

Property	To Improve Stability	How
Zero Shear Viscosity ( $\eta_0$ )	↑	Add thickeners to prevent particles from settling
Yield Stress	$\uparrow$	Provides high resistance to sedimentation.
Thixotropy	$\downarrow$	Decrease rebuild time to near pre-shear value
Cohesive Energy	$\uparrow$	Determine with strain controlled amplitude sweep (CE=1/2G' x $\gamma^2$ )
Viscoelasticity	↓δ	-Viscoelastic liquids with high phase angle ( $\delta$ ) at low freq are less stable -Use structured gel having $\delta$ <45° and independent of freq -If heavy or large particles, decrease $\delta$ <45° at low freq

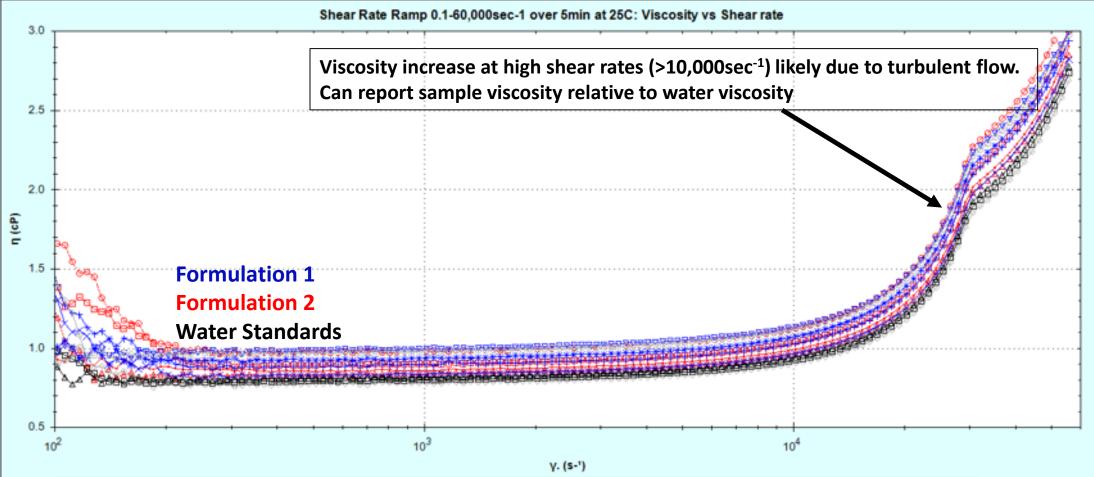
- Larger particles increase viscosity
- Irregular particles increase viscosity

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# Application: Shear Rate Ramp - Low viscosity formulations with high shear rate

Experimental: 40mm smooth parallel plate, 100uL gap\* (130uL sample), 25°C, 1-60,000sec<sup>-1</sup> over 5min

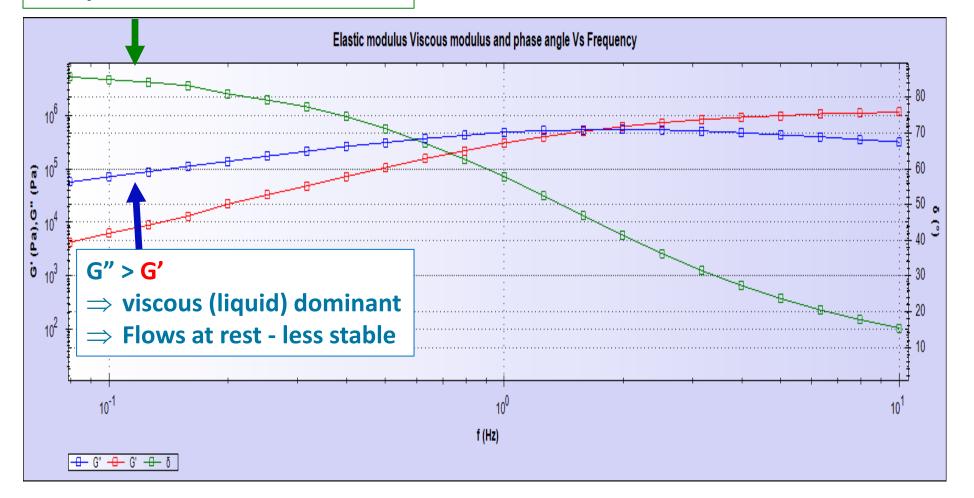
# Figure 3.1A. Overlay of samples and water standards with shear rate ramp (0.1 - 60,000sec<sup>-1</sup>) over 5min using a 100um gap (log-linear)



\* Small gap (100um) is required to retain sample within plates at high shear. Human hair is 70+/-20um.

# Is silly putty a viscoelastic solid or liquid at rest?

### phase angle starts >45° $\Rightarrow$ liquid dominant



# **PROCESSING OF A PROTEIN-STABILIZIZED EMULSION**

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### **Protein-Stabilized Emulsions**

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### PURPOSE



- •Mayonnaise and salad dressing-type emulsions are stabilized by an adsorbed layer of protein at the oil-water interface.
- •Previous studies show poorer gelation and thickening properties of lupin protein compared to commercially used soy protein.

### **EXPERIMENTAL (rheology only)**

Steady-state flow curves (rotational): Serrated plate (20 mm) to prevent wall-slip.
Frequency Sweep (oscillational): Within LVER, using a cone/plate (35 mm, 2°) across 0.05-200 rad/s (0.01-31.8Hz).

### **CONCLUSION:**

- •<u>Emulsion stability and physical properties improved</u> by heating lupin solution prior to the addition of the oil phase or inducing a chemical or enzymatic <u>reaction that increases the entanglement</u> protein molecules along with hydrophobicity.
- •Processing variables (temp, time, impeller/stir type & speed) affect viscous and viscoelastic behavior by droplet size distribution, interdroplet interactions and entanglement.

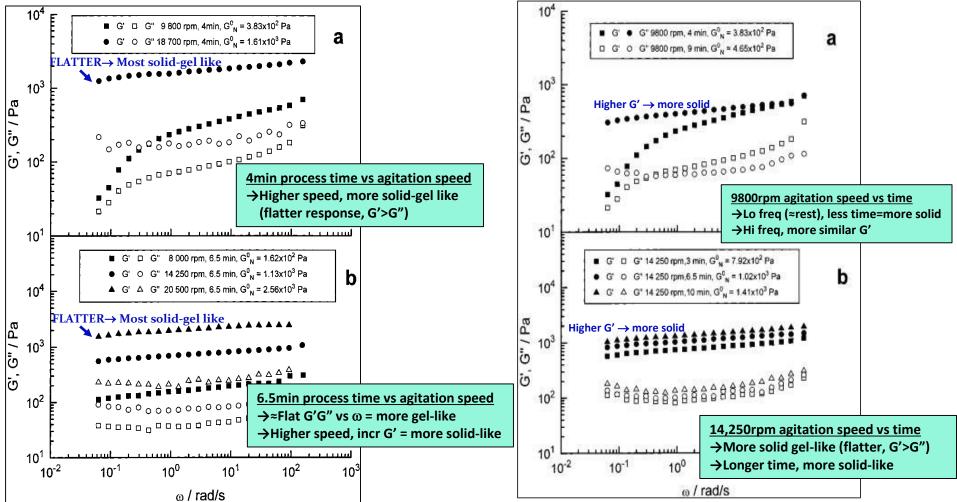
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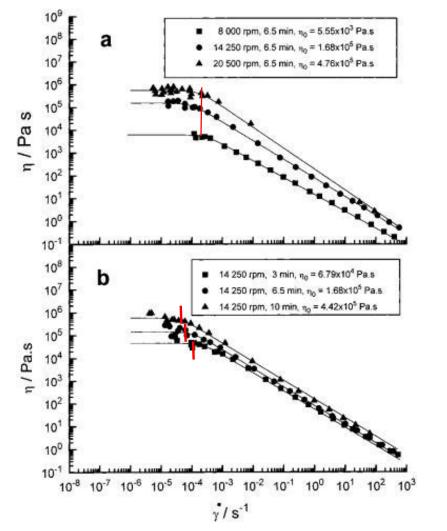
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**Freq Sweep:** G' and G" of lupin proteinstabilized emulsions vs agitation speeds. **Freq Sweep**: G' and G" for lupin protein-stabilized emulsions prepared vs emulsification times

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6.5min process time vs agitation speed →Higher speed, more viscous →All shear thin, with 20,500rpm more rapidly →Generally, similar breakpoint

Agitation speed (14,250rpm) vs time →Longer time, more viscous →Shorter time, later breakpoint

**Steady-state flow curves**: (a) agitation speed and (b) emulsification time for lupin protein stabilized emulsions.