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***Polycarbonate diol***  
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***Improving polyurethane durability  
in adhesives, coatings and  
pavements***

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## OUTLINE

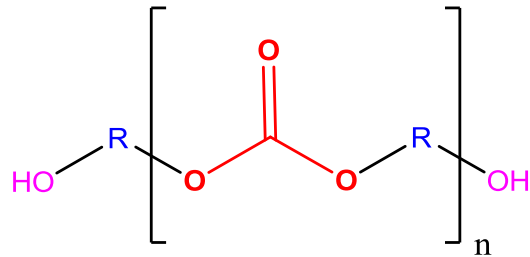
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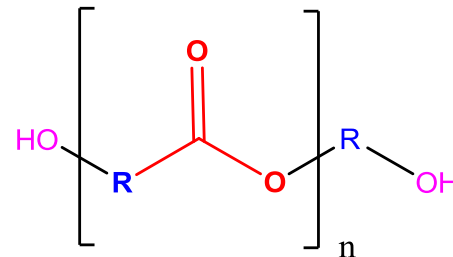
## Polyols used in the synthesis of PU

Terminal – Backbone – Bridge – Backbone – Terminal



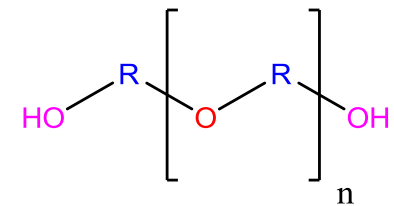
*Polycarbonate diol*

lower reactivity



*Polyester diol*

poor hydrolysis resistance



*Polyether diol*

low radical oxidation stability

### Advantages of polycarbonate diol: Carbonate vs. ester & ether as bridge

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

## Advantages provided by polycarbonate

- As PUD, Environmentally friendly
- As PUD, obey VOC regulations: Directive 2004/42/CE of the European Parliament and Council
- Similar application procedure than for traditional polyols-based polyurethane coatings and adhesives.
- Good elasticity under deformation
- Good durability and transparency
- Excellent scratch and abrasion resistance
- Uniform and free of defects coatings
- Good chemical resistance

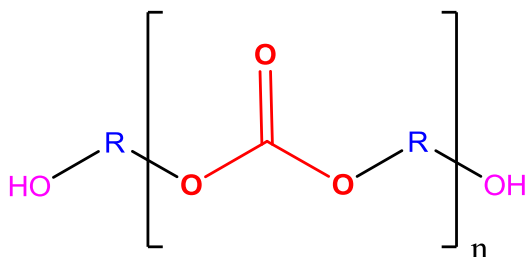
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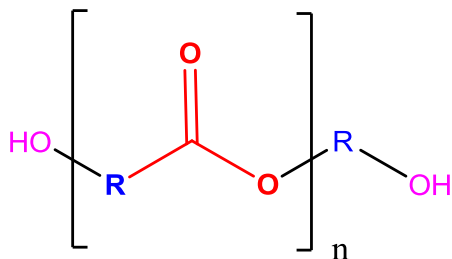
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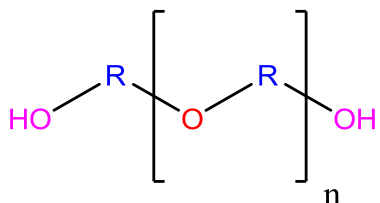
## Polyols used in this work



Polycarbonate diol	Grade	R:R'	Ratio
Homopolymer	UH	1,6-hexanediol	-
Copolymer	PH	1,5-pentanediol : 1,6-hexanediol	1 : 1
Copolymer	BH	1,4-butanediol : 1,6-hexanediol	7:3 & 9:1
Copolymer	UPH	1,3-propanediol : 1,6-hexanediol	1:1
Copolymer	UM	1,4-Cyclohexanedimethanol : 1,6-hexanediol	1:3, 1:1 & 3:1
Copolymer	UHC	$\epsilon$ -caprolactone : 1,6-hexanediol	1:1
Copolymer	UT	Polyether : Polycarbonate	-



Polyester diol	R:R'	Ratio
1,4-butanediol adipate	1,4-butanediol : 1,6-hexanedioic acid	1:1
Polycaprolactone diol	$\epsilon$ -caprolactone	-



Polyether diol
Polytetramethylene glycol
Polypropylene glycol



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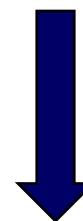
## Solventborne PU solutions vs. waterborne PU dispersions



Solvent-borne coatings



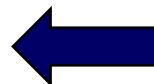
VOC regulations



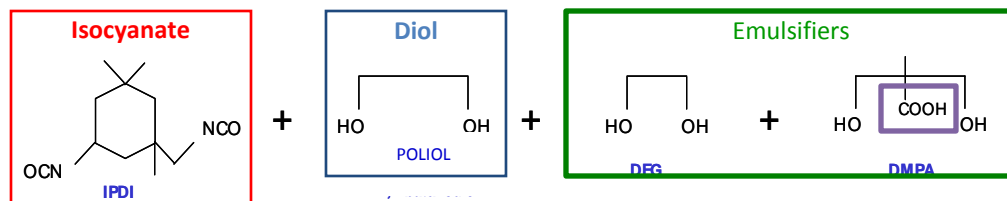
Environmental-friendly coatings??



Waterborne polyurethane dispersions (PUDs)

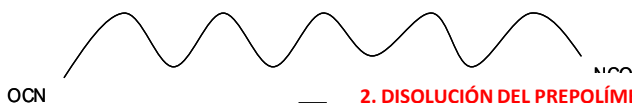


# Synthesis of PUD – Acetone method

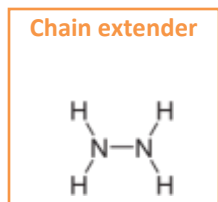


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 T = 80°C, V<sub>agitación</sub> = 450 rpm

**PREPOLÍMERO**



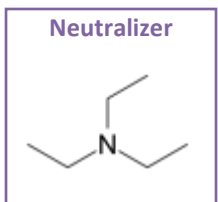
**2. DISOLUCIÓN DEL PREPOLÍMERO EN ACETONA**  
 T = 45-50°C, V<sub>agitación</sub> = 450 rpm



**3. NEUTRALIZACIÓN CON TEA**  
 T = 45-50°C, V<sub>agitación</sub> = 450 rpm

**4. EXTENSIÓN DE CADENA CON HIDRACINA**  
 T = 45-50°C, V<sub>agitación</sub> = 450 rpm

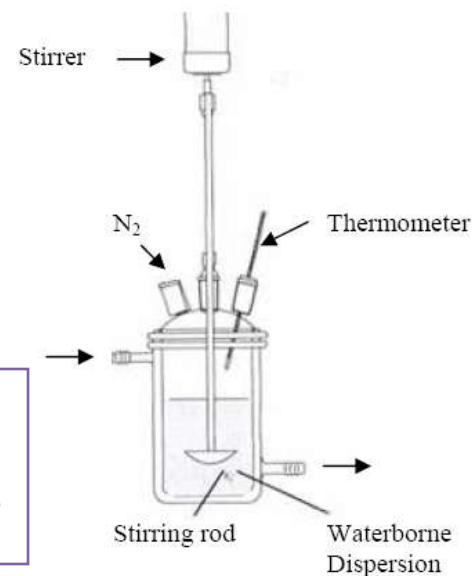
**5. ADICIÓN DE AGUA**  
 T = 45-50°C, V<sub>agitación</sub> = 900 rpm



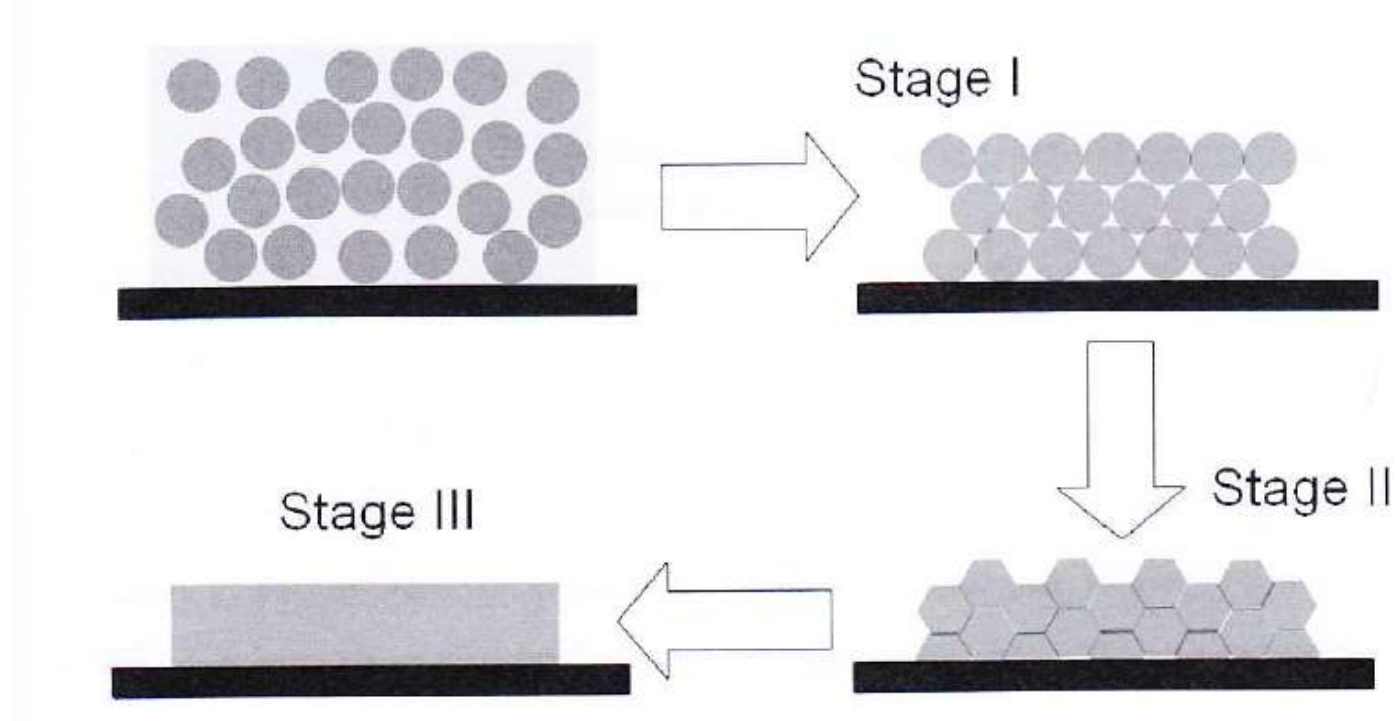
**DISPERSIÓN DE POLIURETANO EN AGUA/ACETONA**

**6. DESTILACIÓN DE LA ACETONA**  
 T = 50°C, P = 300mbar

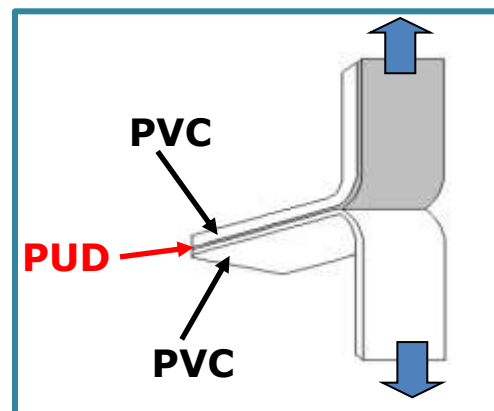
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## Waterborne PU dispersions: Curing process



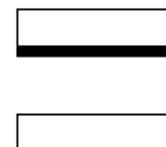
## Adhesives – T-peel test



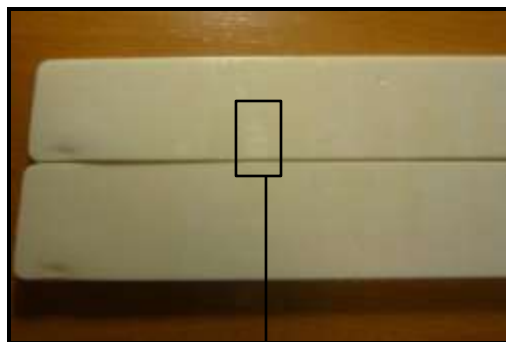
**CA:** Cohesive failure in the adhesive



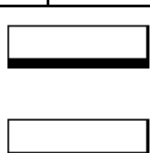
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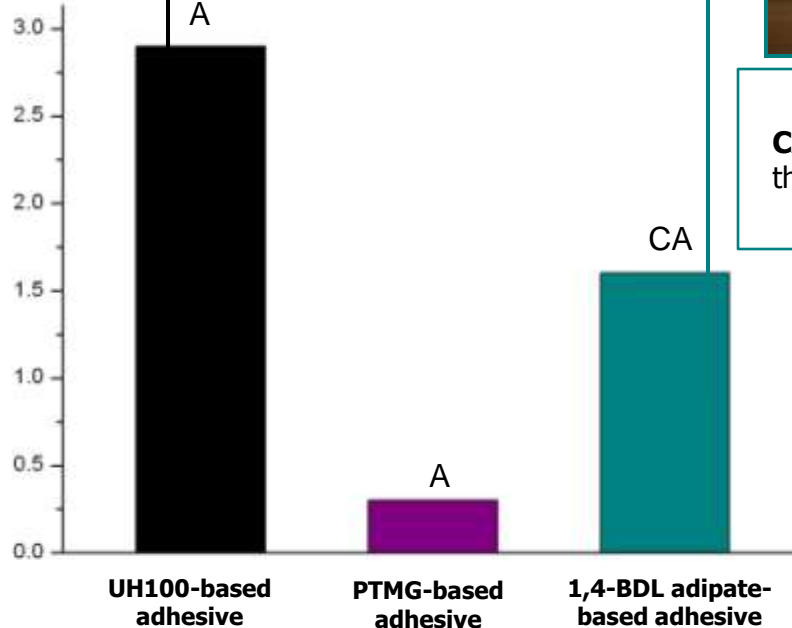
## Adhesives – T-peel test Comparative Polycarbonate/Polyether/Polyether



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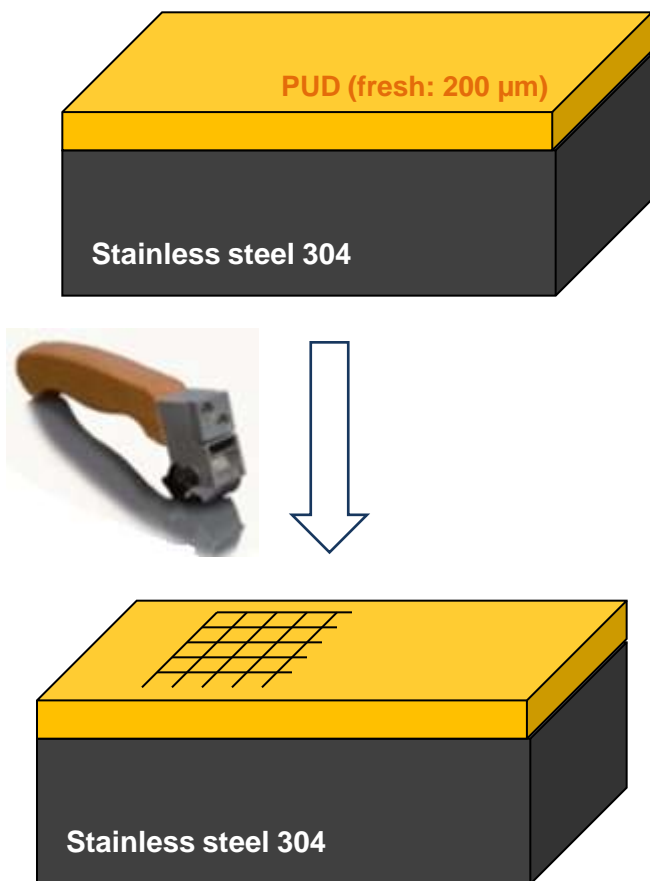
T-peel strength (kN/m)

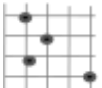
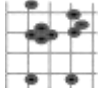





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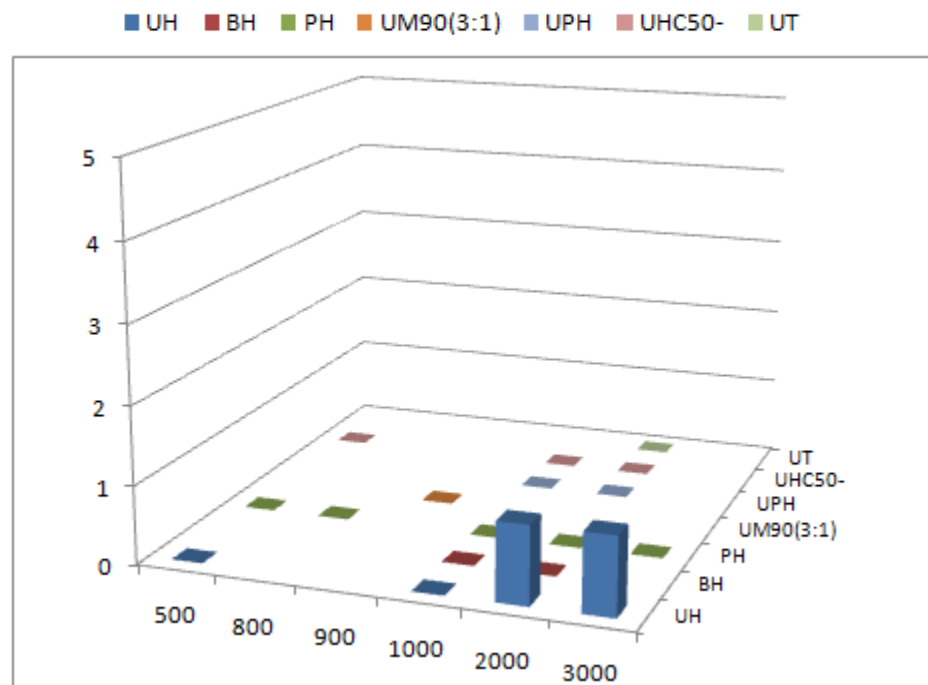
## Adhesives – Ageing, as variation of cross-cutter adhesion test



Code	Description	Damaged surface
0	No modification	-
1	Light loosening of coating (< 5 %)	
2	Light loosening of the borders of the coating (5 to 10 %)	
3	Partial loosening of the coating (15 to 35 %)	
4	Strong loosening of the coating (35 to 65 %)	
5	Very strong loosening of the coating (> 65 %)	

## Adhesives – Ageing, as variation of cross-cutter adhesion test

Grade	As dispersion		As coating
	T-peel (kN/m)	Lap shear (kPa)	Cross-cutter adhesion
UH50	0,2	3,1	0
UH100	2,9	3,4	0
UH200	2,1	2,9	1
UH300	1,1	1,7	1
BH100	0,2	4,9	0
BH200 (9.1)	0,6	3,6	0
BH200 (7.3)	2,0	5,8	0
PH50	0,2	6,0	0
PH80D	1,2	4,0	0
PH100	1,9	4,8	0
PH200D	1,7	1,9	0
PH300D	3,2	3	0
UM90 (1.3)	1,1	6,6	0
UM90 (1.1)	0,7	8,0	1
UM90 (3.1)	0,6	7,2	---
UPH100	0,4	6,0	0
UPH200	0,9	4,6	0
UHC50-50	0,8	7,0	0
UHC50-100	4,0	6,1	0
UHC50-200	2,8	4,3	0
UT200	2.7	3	0



### Trends:

- i. Molecular weight:  
No dependence, but UH200 & UH300
- ii. Homopolymer vs. copolymer:  
No dependence



## Adhesives – Ageing, as variation of cross-cutter adhesion test

*Polycarbonate  
diol PUD - based*



*No  
modification*

*Polypropylene  
Glycol PUD -  
based*



*Light loosening  
of the borders of  
the coating*

*Polycaprolactone  
PUD - based*

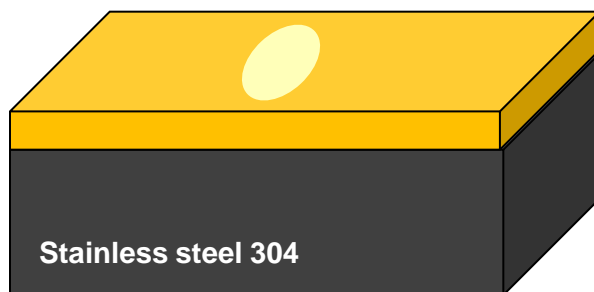
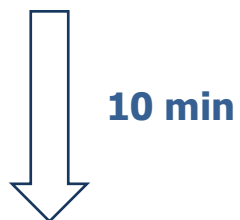
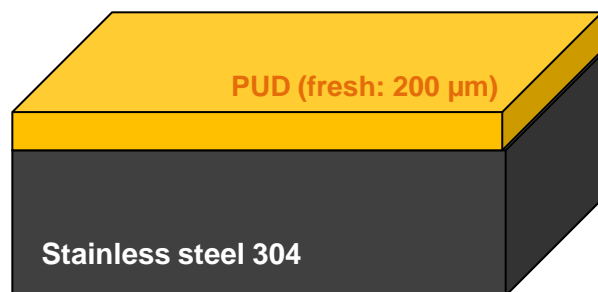


*Loosening of  
the coating*

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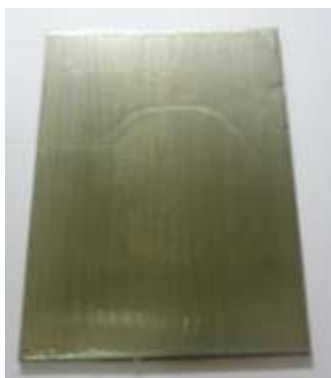
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## Coatings – Chemical resistance



Code	Damaged Surface
5	Intact coating
4	Slight change in gloss or color
3	Light mark
2	Strong mark
1	Coating removal

## Coatings – Chemical resistance of coatings based on Polycarbonatediol vs. polyester diol vs. polyether diol



PTMG-based PUD



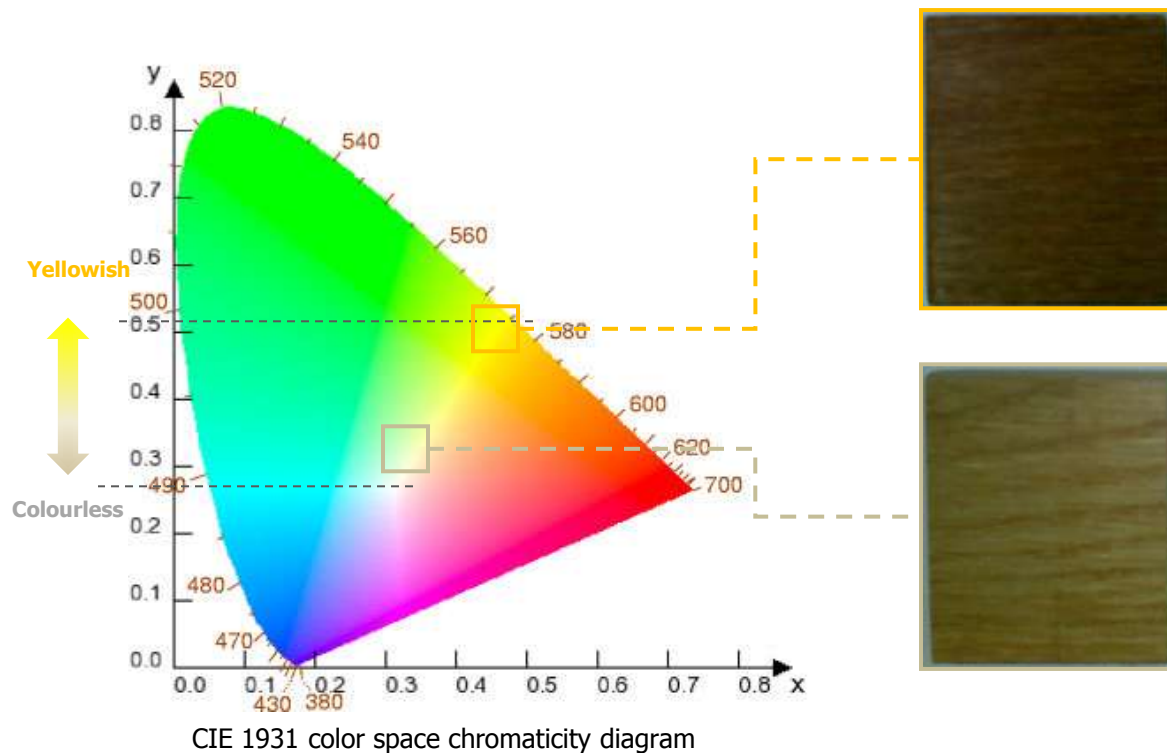
1,4-BDL adipate-based PUD



UH100-based PUD

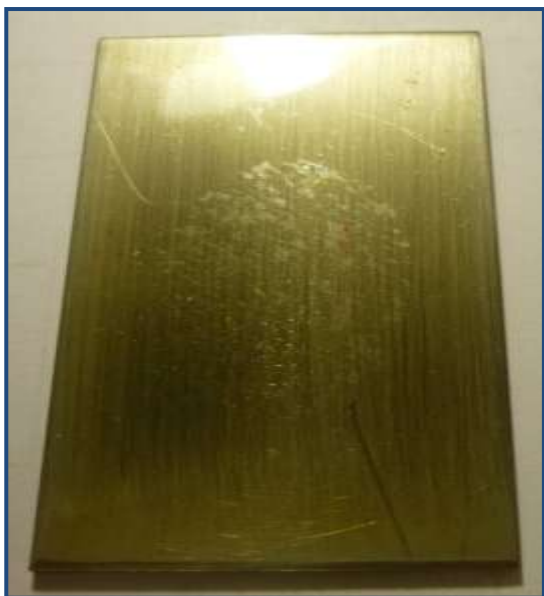
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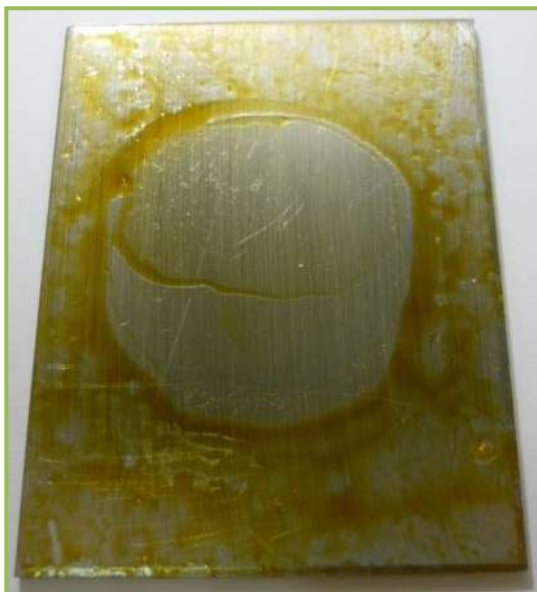


## Coatings – Ageing, as increment of yellowness index and retention of thickness

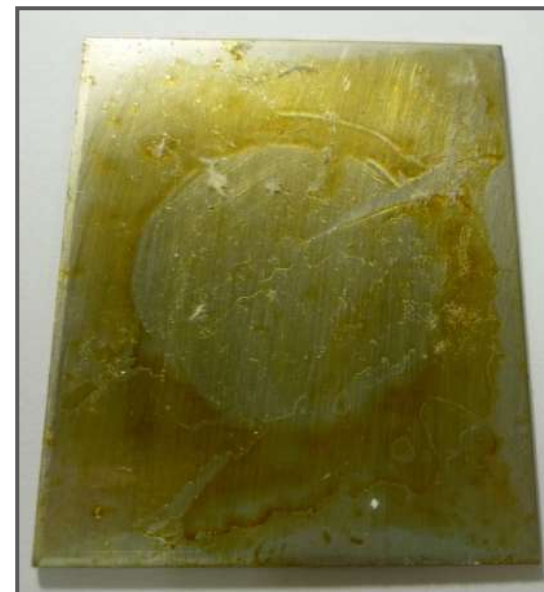
Heat resistance: ISO 3248:1998 (15 days @ 120 °C)



UH100-based  
PUD



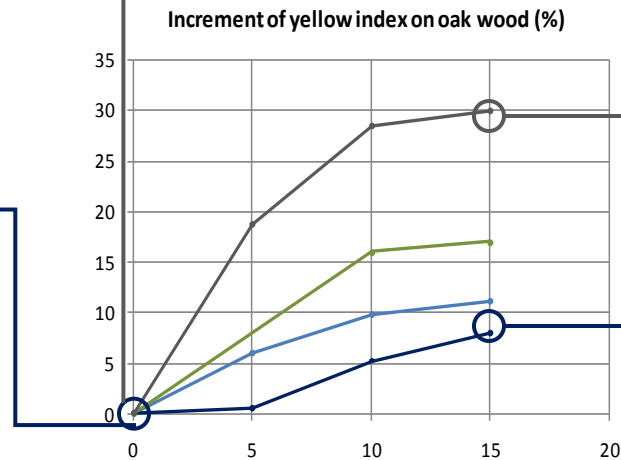
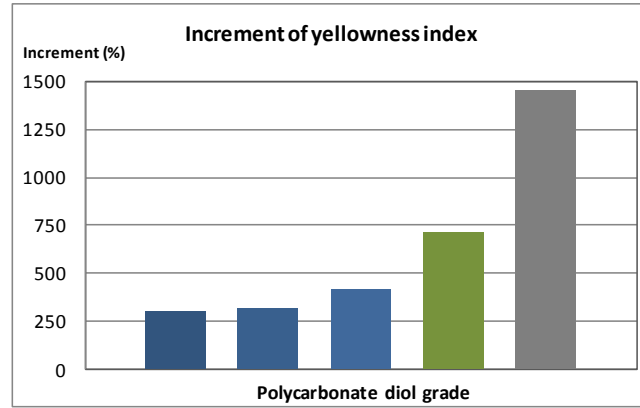
PPG-based  
PUD



1,4-BDL adipate-  
based PUD

# Coatings – Ageing, as increment of yellowness index

■ BH100 ■ PH100 ■ UH100 ■ Polyether ■ Polyester



## Coatings – Ageing, as retention of thickness

Artificial weathering: ISO 11507:4892-3 (Cycle H)



UH100-based  
PUD

*Blistering*



PPG-based  
PUD



1,4-BDL adipate-  
based PUD











*Loss of thickness*



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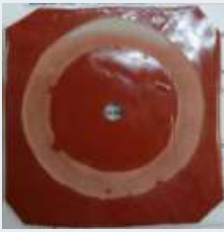
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## Pavement – Chemical resistance

	Without treatment	Ethanol	Motor oil	Gasoline	Brake fluid
Polyester based pavement			 <i>Blistering</i>	 <i>Blistering</i>	 <i>Blistering</i>
50% Polycarbonate diol + 50% Polyester based pavement					

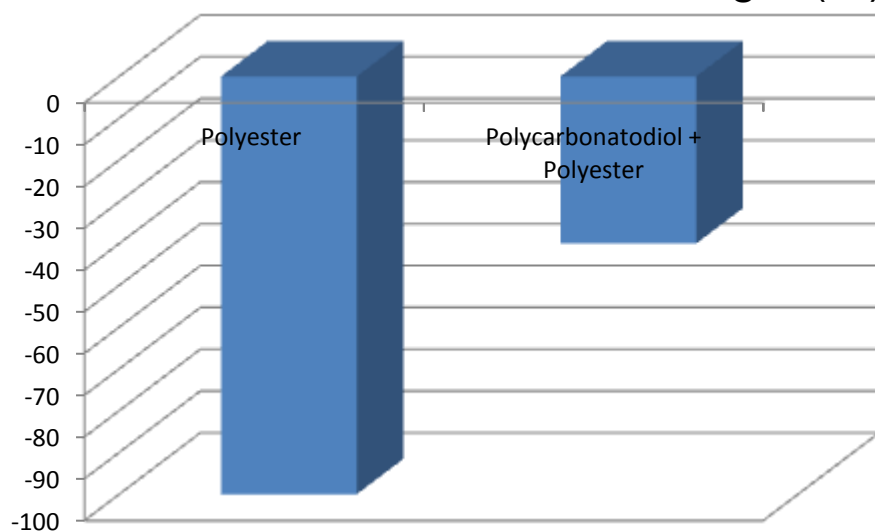
Test conditions: Direct contact, 24h @ 23 °C, 50% R.H.

## Pavement – Improvement of mechanical properties

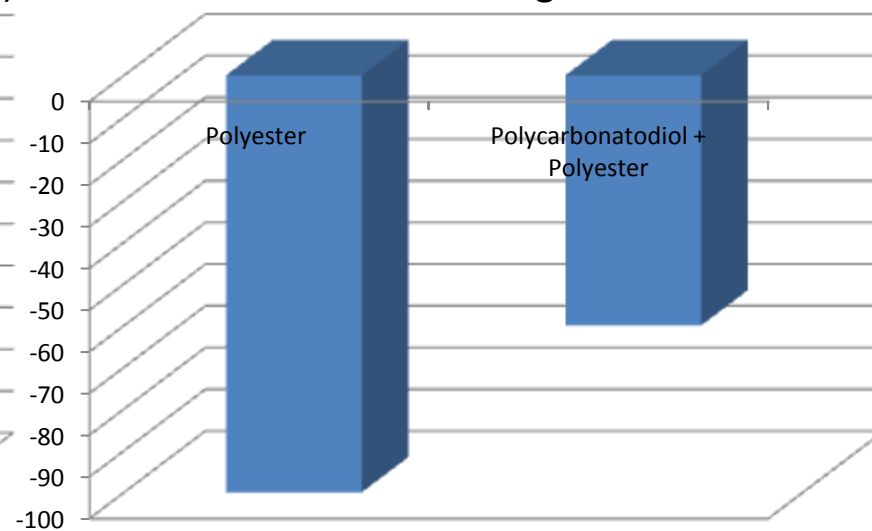
Pavement	Pencil hardness (ISO 15184)	Persoz hardness (ISO 1522)	Abrasion resistance (lost mg / 100 cycles, ISO 5470)
Polyester	6B	19	32 
Polycarbonate diol-based	4B	36	12 

## Pavement – Hydrolysis resistance

### Variation of Tensile strenght (%)



### Variation of Elongation at break (%)



Test conditions: Water immersion, 80°C for 32 days; ISO527

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## Using polycarbonate diol, we can conclude about durability that ...

Adhesives based on polycarbonate diol show:

- Enhanced retention of initial adhesion properties after ageing
- No losses of adhesion

**Adhesives**

Coatings based on polycarbonate diol show:

- Better retention of initial mechanical properties after ageing
- Lower yellowness increment
- Less thickness losses
- Minor blistering

**Coatings**

Pavements including polycarbonate diol show:

- Improved resistance to automotive chemicals
- Enhanced abrasion resistance
- Better retention of initial mechanical properties after hydrolytic ageing

**Pavements**

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***Thanks for your attention !!***

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