

Non Metallic Pipe for High Temperature High Pressure (HTHP) Applications & Recent developments in Polyamide 12 UV Resistance

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VESTAMID® NRG PA12 pipelines

Performance & Reliability

Experience

Standards & Safety

Who we are

Evonik at a glance

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Billion Euro sales in 2018

176

Sites

>80%

Of turnover gained from leading
market positions

>36,000

Employees in over 100 countries

~230

New patent applications

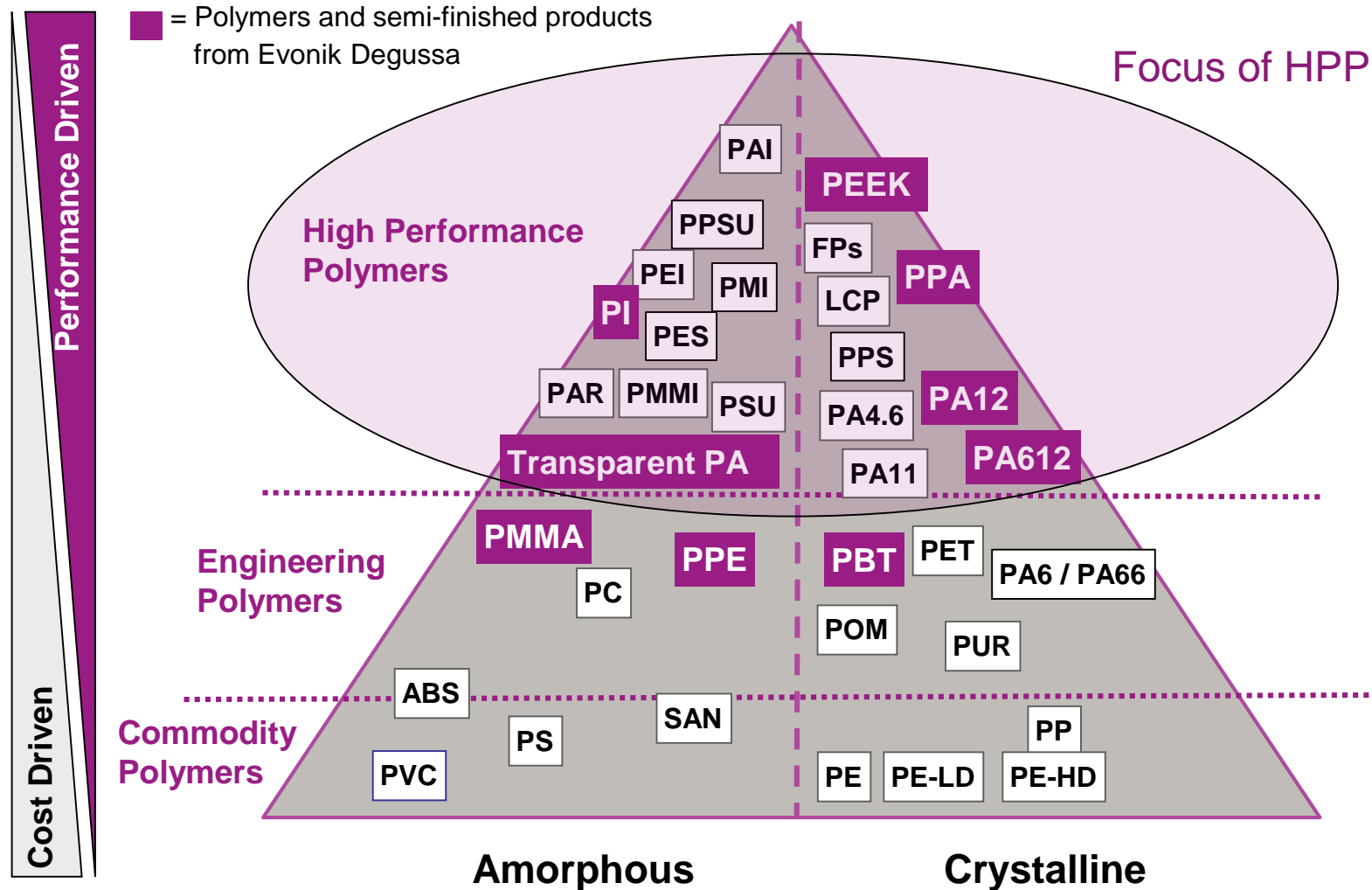
Our Experience

Specialty chemicals with extensive experience in polymers



- ▶ ~ 160 years in Specialty Chemicals
- ▶ ~ 50 years in specialty long chain polyamides
- ▶ ~ 70 years in pipeline operations

High Performance Polymers Portfolio



Basic

- PA12
- PA1012
- PA612
- PA610
- PA1010
- PEEK
- PPA

Offshore Experience

VESTAMID® NRG PA 12 is used in flexible pipes

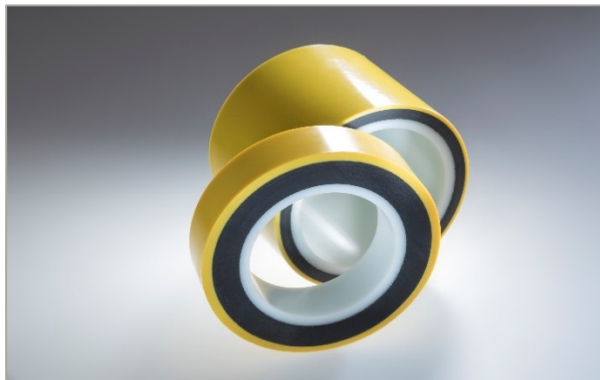


*“Thousands km of flexible pipes containing **VESTAMID® NRG PA12** have been installed since 2006”*

Our portfolio for the pipeline industry



Flexible risers



TCP



Reinforced
thermoplastic pipe



PEEK liners



PA 12 Liners



PA 12 Pressure pipe



External steel pipe protection

VESTAMID® PA12 - Performance

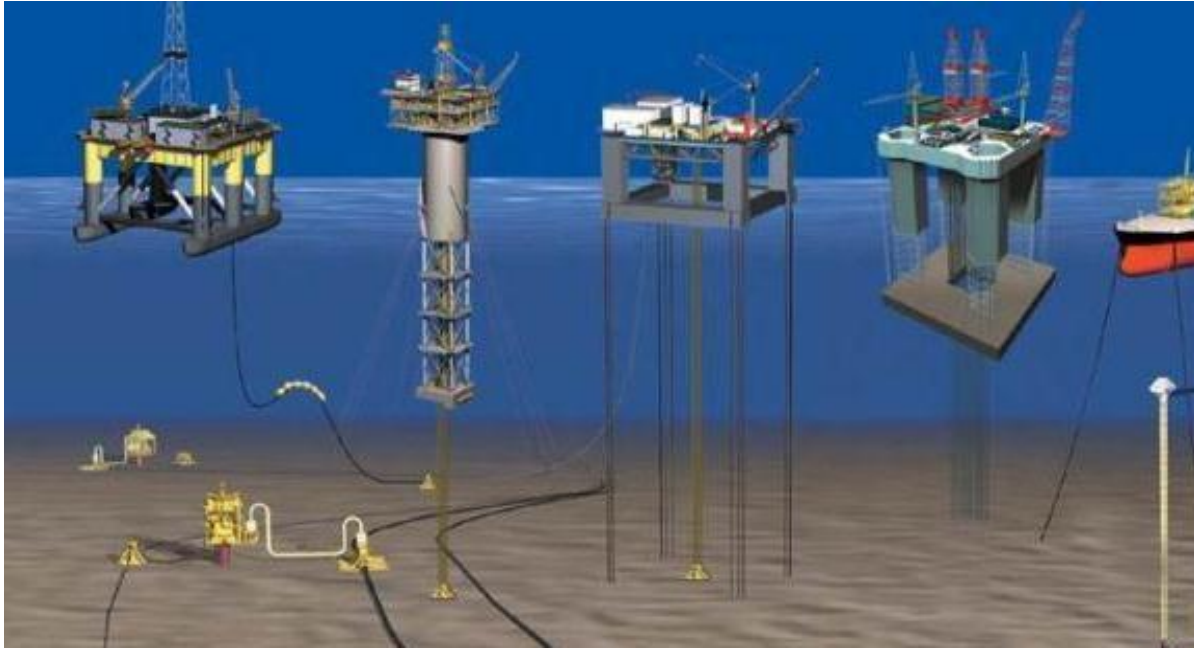
- **VESTAMID® (PA12)** is the material of choice for the **fuel lines** in cars since over **40 years**.
- In 2014 so many automotive lines were produced from **VESTAMID® (PA12)** that the earth could be wrapped six times! (more than 240,000km).



VESTAMID® (PA12)
in fuel lines



VESTAMID® NRG PA12 - Reliability



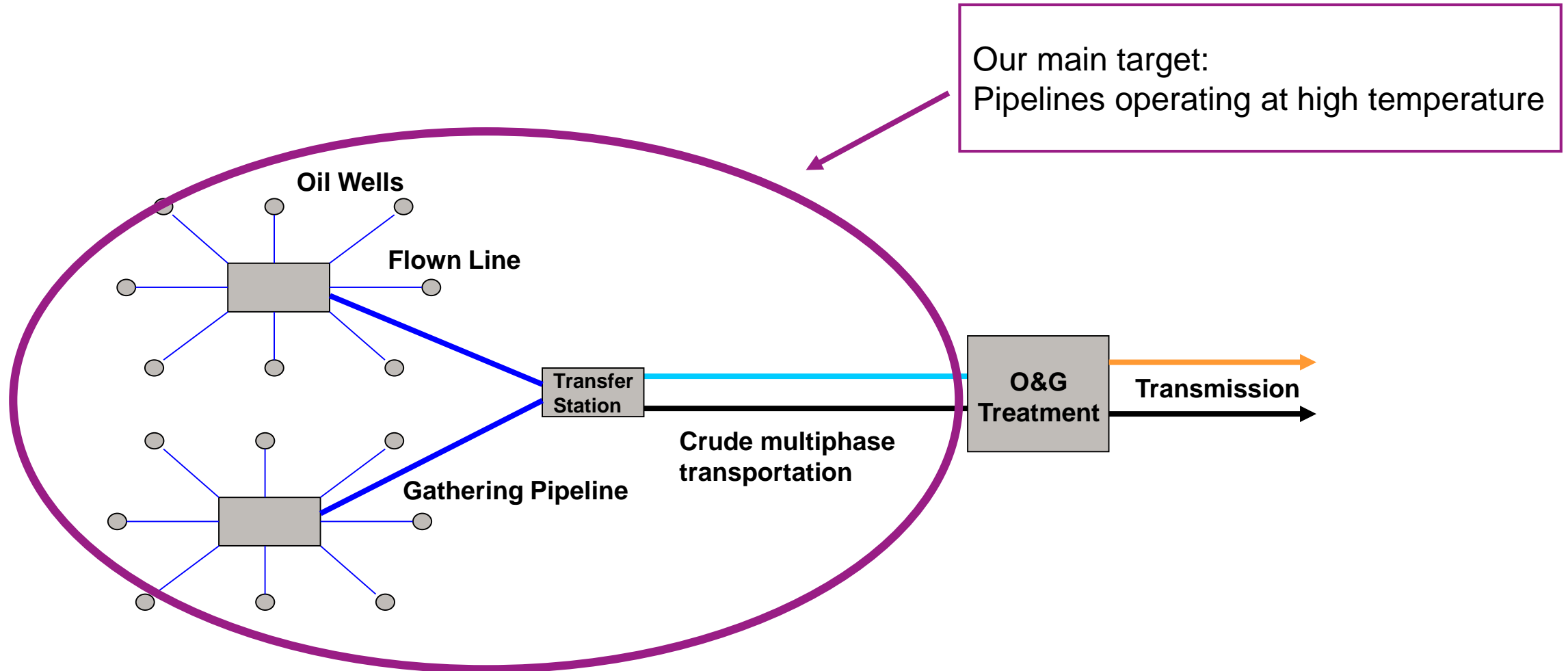
VESTAMID®NRG PA12 is used in **flexible pipes** for reliable offshore operations **since 2006**.

Over 3000km of flexible pipes **VESTAMID®NRG PA12** have been installed since.

PA12 pipelines for high pressure natural gas distribution



PA12 liner system in Oil & Gas fields



Steel = Corrosion !



Old gas pipes prevalent in Ohio



Benjamin Lanka, blanka@centralohio.com

8:52 a.m. EDT September 27, 2014

Danger rises with increasing pipeline leaks, slow fixes

Keith Matheny, Detroit Free Press staff writer

5:41 p.m. EDT September 23, 2014



Alabama Gas Explosion Heightens Concern Over Cast-Iron Pipe Corrosion

By Kala Kachmar, Montgomery Advertiser | September 29, 2014

Aging gas pipes pose explosion danger

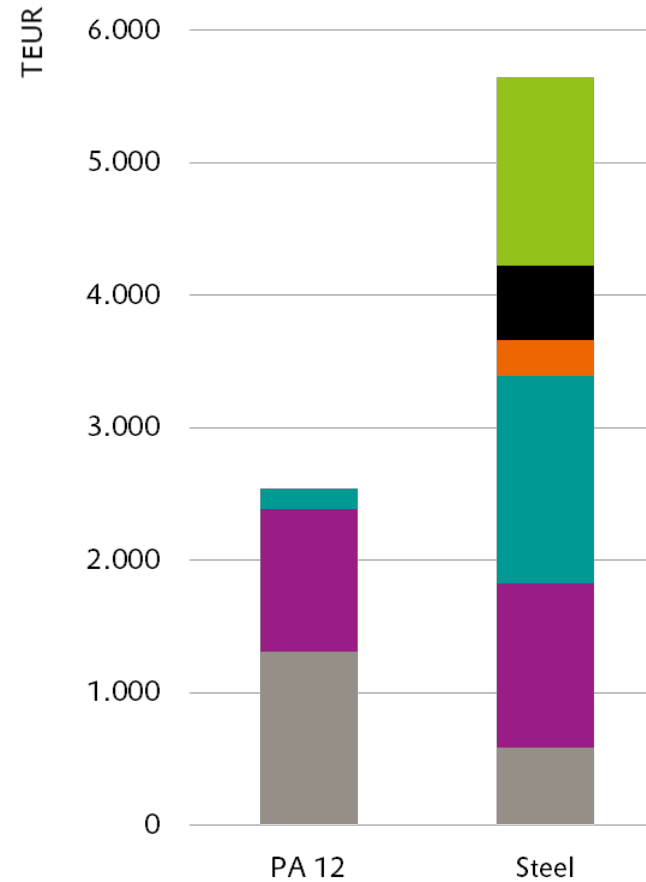
Daniel P. Finney and Jeffrey C. Kummer, dafinney@dmreg.com

10:40 p.m. CDT September 23, 2014

PA12 saves investment costs:

- Project example:
 - PA12 110mm, SDR11
 - Steel 4" STD.

Corrosion Costs Total in 50 years	-100 %
Inspection Costs	-100 %
Cathodic Corrosion	-100 %
Installation Costs	-90 %
Construction Costs	-12 %
Pipe & Fittings	+122 %



Installation of PA12 gas pipes is similar to state of the art PE pipe installation

PA12 pipes are coilable

- Reducing welding
- Transport und handling are simplified

PA12 is easy to install

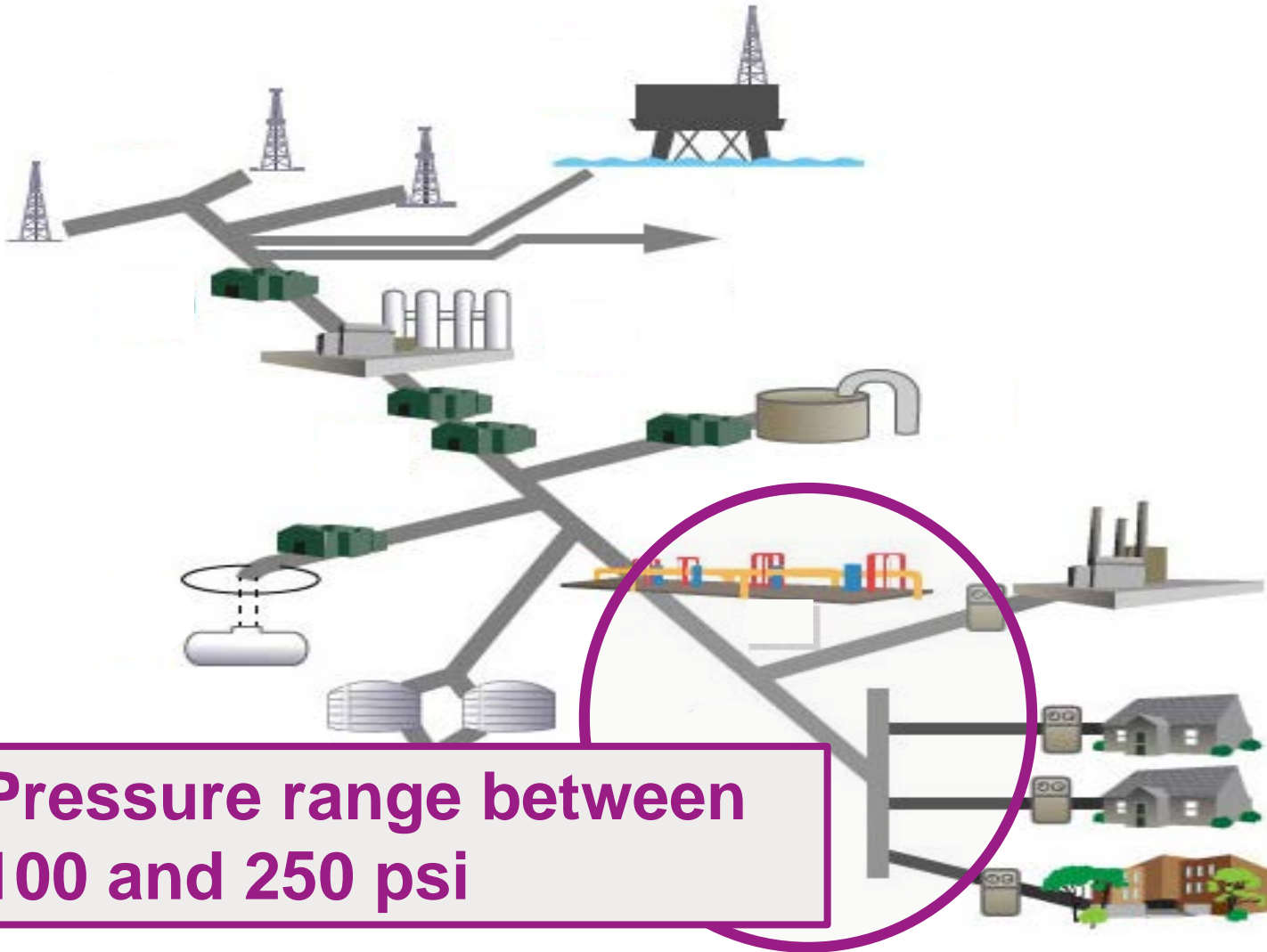
- Fast welding
- Same machines and procedures as PE100
- No need of field joint coating
- No sand bedding
- Ploughing
- HDD

No corrosion

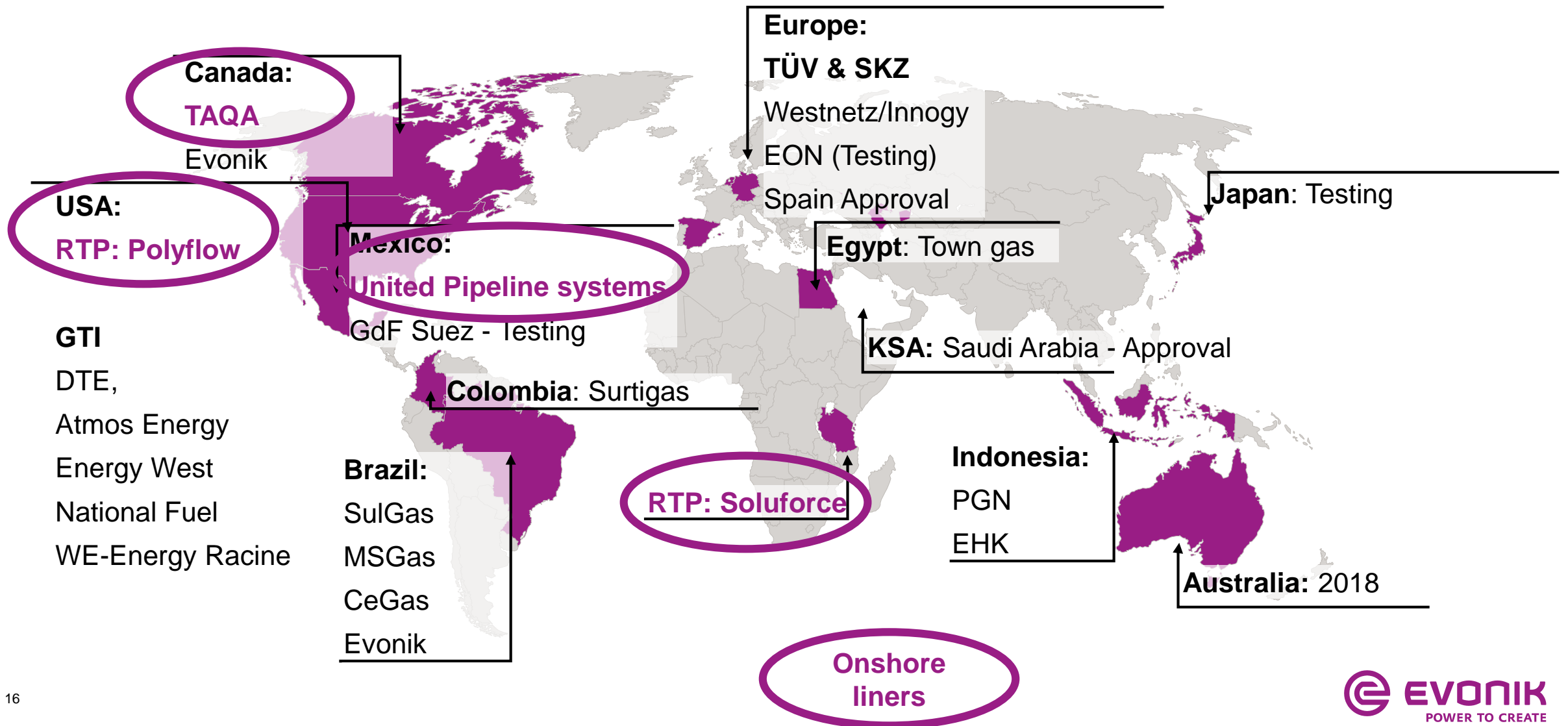
- No Cathodic Corrosion Protection
- No maintenance



High pressure gas distribution pipelines



VESTAMID® NRG – Onshore Experience



PA 12- Experience

Location	Date	Characteristics	Pressure
Energy West, Montana, USA	Jul. 09	4" SDR 13.5	175 psig
Energy West, Montana, USA	Aug. 12	4" SDR 13.5	150 psig



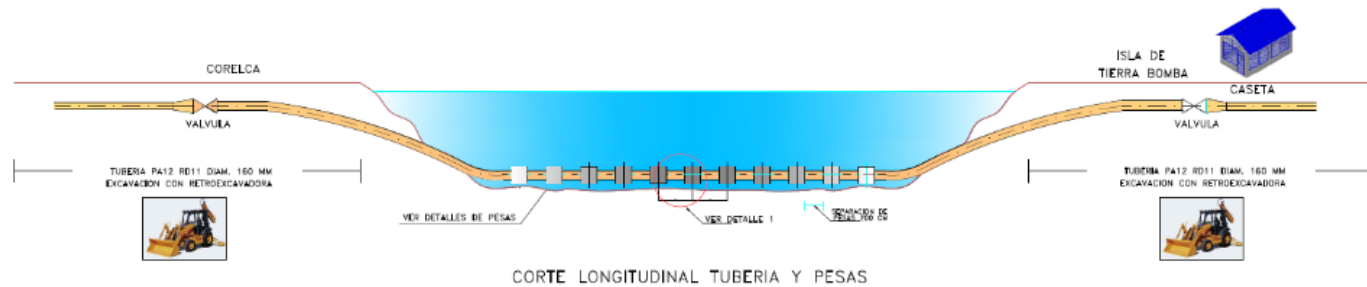
PA 12 - Experience

Location	Date	Characteristics	Pressure
MSGAS, Campo Grande, Brazil	Oct. 12	90 mm SDR 11	17 bar
MSGAS, Campo Grande, Brazil	Nov. 15	160 mm SDR 11	16 bar



VESTAMID® NRG PA12 has a long track record

Location	Date	Characteristics	Pressure
Surtigas, Cartagena, Colombia	Jun. 16	160mm SDR 11	16 bar



VESTAMID® NRG - Experience

Location	Date	Characteristics	Pressure
Indonesia	Dec. 16	110 mm SDR 11	16 bar



Squeezed-off PA 12 pipe after 3 years service

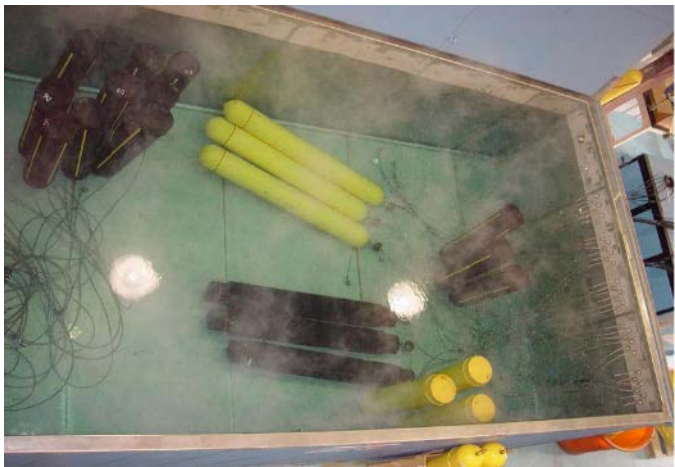
Location: Gas Technology Institute,
USA

Pipe Dimension: 4 inches, SDR 13.5

Pressure: 16 bar

Performance	ASTM Specification	LHTS of 3-year Service Squeeze-off pipe at 2800 psi hoop stress
Hours exposed	>1000	2761 hours without failure of pipe

Squeeze-off Pipe



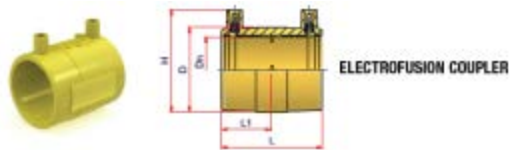
Squeeze-off of PA12 tested by E.ON, SKZ, KIWA and DBI

OD 110 & 160mm SDR 11 squeezed off at 5°C.

1. Technically tight.
2. No cracks on surfaces of squeezed off pipe. Only wrinkles with a depth of less than 1mm.
3. Squeezed off pipe tested under very sharp hydrostatic strength test. Similar results as non-squeezed-off pipe.
4. Pipe recovery is enough so that re-rounding might not be necessary.

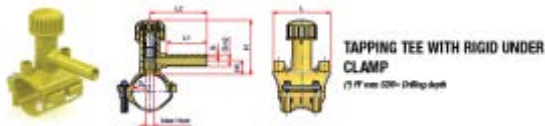


Complete set of fittings is available in PA12



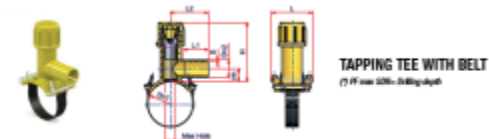
ELECTROFUSION COUPLER

OD: 32, 63, 90, 110, 160mm; SDR 11



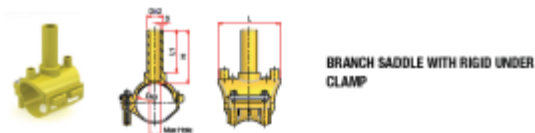
TAPPING TEE WITH RIGID UNDER CLAMP
(7 FT max SDR11 drilling depth)

63-32, 90-32, 90-63, 110-32, 160-32; SDR 11



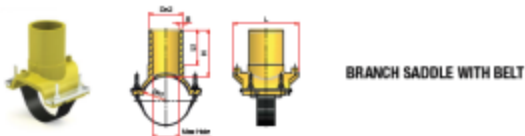
TAPPING TEE WITH BELT
(7 FT max SDR11 drilling depth)

110-63, 160-63; SDR 11



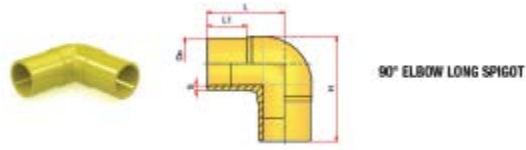
BRANCH SADDLE WITH RIGID UNDER CLAMP

63-32, 90-32, 63-63, 90-63, 110-63; SDR 11



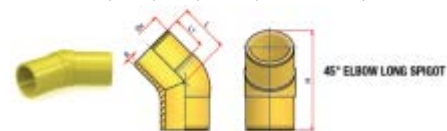
BRANCH SADDLE WITH BELT

160-63; SDR 11



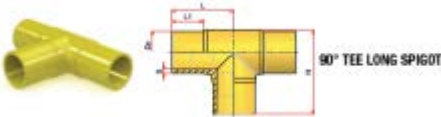
90° ELBOW LONG SPIGOT

OD: 32, 63, 90, 110, 160mm; SDR 11



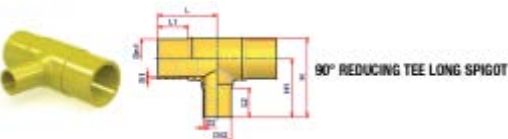
45° ELBOW LONG SPIGOT

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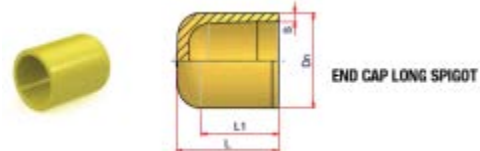
90° TEE LONG SPIGOT

OD: 32, 63, 90, 110, 160mm; SDR 11



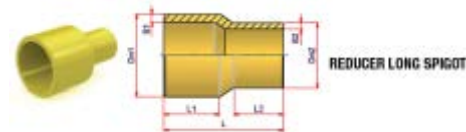
90° REDUCING TEE LONG SPIGOT

90-63, 110-63, 110-90, 160-110; SDR 11



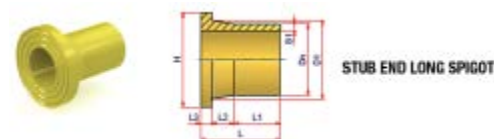
END CAP LONG SPIGOT

OD: 32, 63, 90, 110, 160mm; SDR 11



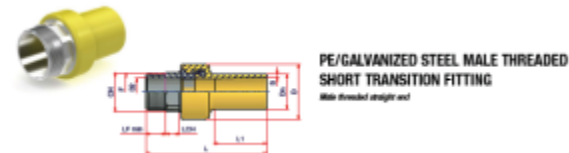
REDUCER LONG SPIGOT

63-32, 90-63, 110-63, 160-110; SDR 11



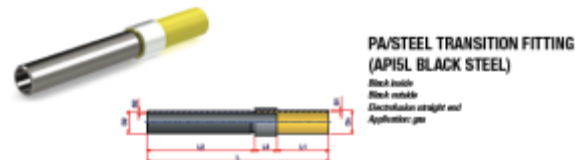
STUB END LONG SPIGOT

OD: 32, 63, 90, 110, 160mm; SDR 11



PE/GALVANIZED STEEL MALE THREADED SHORT TRANSITION FITTING
Male threaded straight end

32*1", 63*2", 90*3", 110*4"



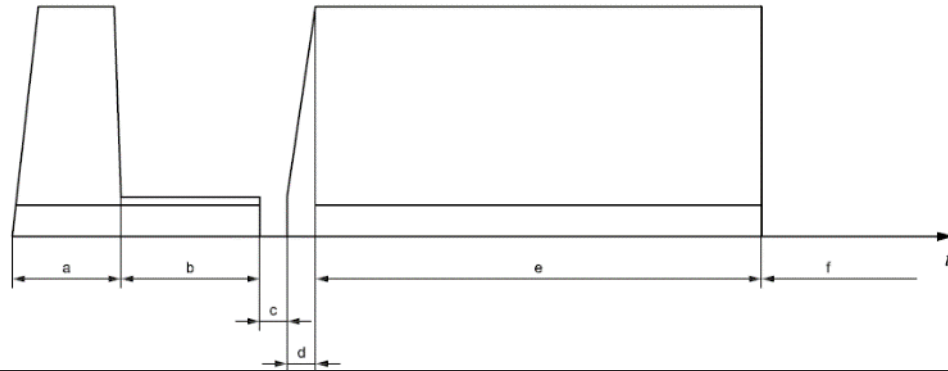
PA/STEEL TRANSITION FITTING (API5L BLACK STEEL)
Black inside
Black outside
Electrofusion straight end
Application: gas

32*25, 63*50, 90*80, 110*100, 160*150



60 different parts !!

Butt and Electro Fusion of PA12 pipe is verified and standardized



Parameters		Values	Units
Heater-plate temperature, T		240 ± 20	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
Phase 1	Pressure, p_1^a	$0,3 \pm 0,1$	MPa
	Time, t_1	Measured as the time until B_1 is reached	s
	Bead width, B_1	See Table A.3	mm
Phase 2	Pressure, p_2^a	$0,03 \pm 0,02$	MPa
	Time, t_2	See Table A.3	s
Phase 3	Time, t_3	See Table A.3	s
Phase 4	Time, t_4	See Table A.3	s
Phase 5	Pressure, p_5^a	$0,3 \pm 0,1$	MPa
	Time, t_5	See Table A.3	min
Phase 6	Time, t_6	Minimum value: $1,5e_n$	min
		Maximum value: 20	min

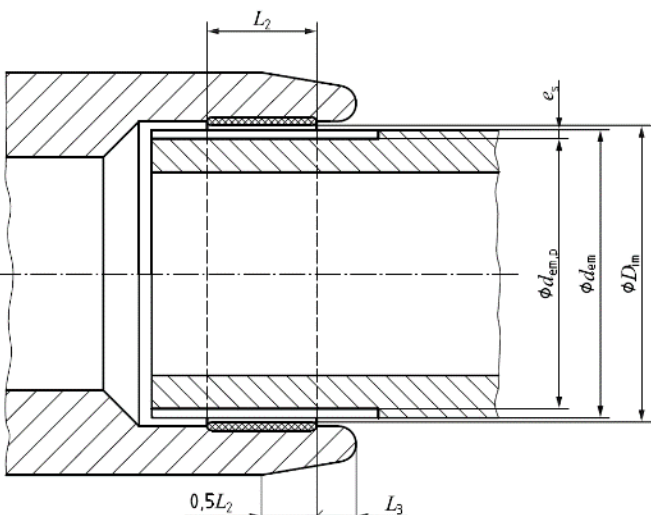
^a This pressure is the interface pressure and is related to d_n , e_n and the butt fusion equipment used.

ISO 16486 defines procedure and inspection criteria



Same procedure and machine as PE pipe.

Electrofusion of VESTAMID® NRG pipe is verified and standardized



Set of conditions	Ambient temperature, T_a	Pipe configuration	Clearance ^a	Energy	Assembly load ^b
1	T_R	Coiled or straight pipe as supplied	C_2	reference	usual
2.1	T_{min}	Straight pipe	C_4	nominal	usual
2.2	T_{min}	Straight pipe	C_4	minimum	minimum
3.1	T_{max}	Straight pipe	C_2	nominal	usual
3.2	T_{max}	Straight pipe	C_2	maximum	maximum
4	T_{max}	Straight pipe	C_4	minimum	minimum
5	T_{min}	Coiled or straight pipe as supplied	C_2	maximum	maximum
NOTE Sets of conditions 1 to 5 are applicable to the energy profiles illustrated in Figures B.2 and B.3.					
^a In the case of saddles, the clearance shall be considered to be zero.					
^b Applicable to joints with saddles, where the load can be controlled.					

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DOT: VESTAMID® NRG Pipe survives hitting test

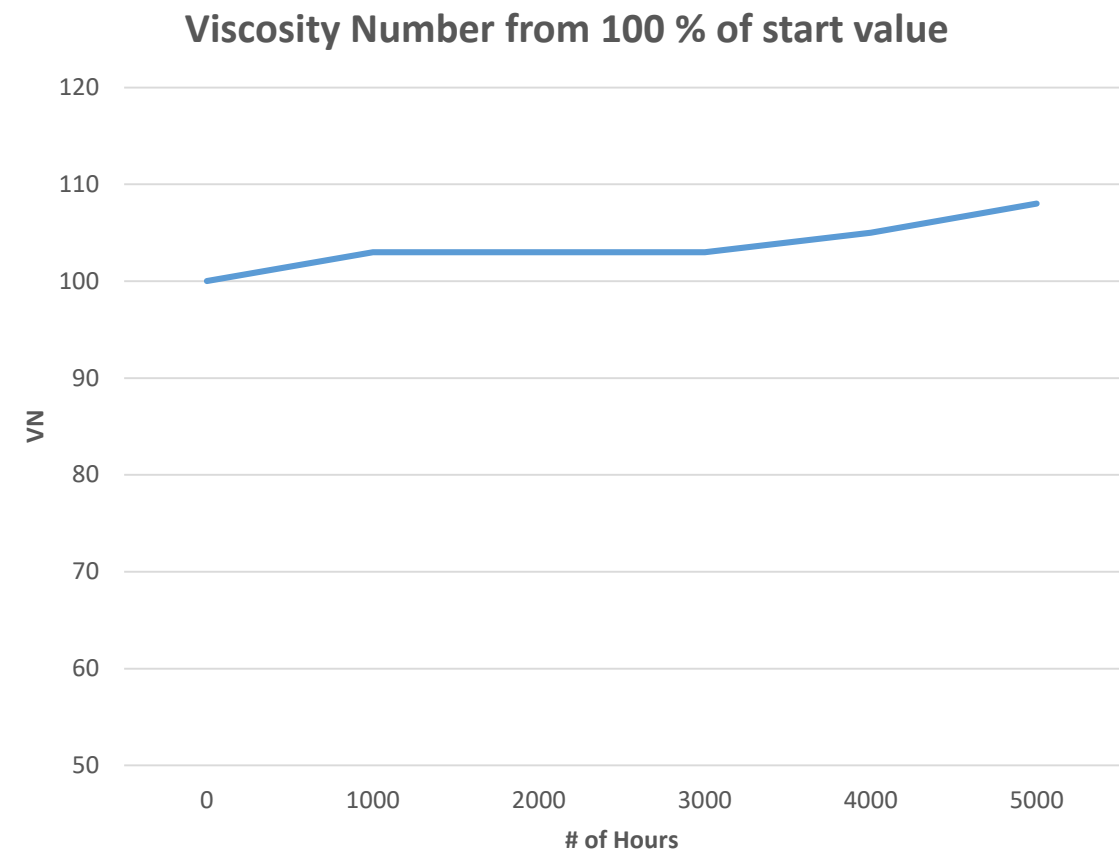
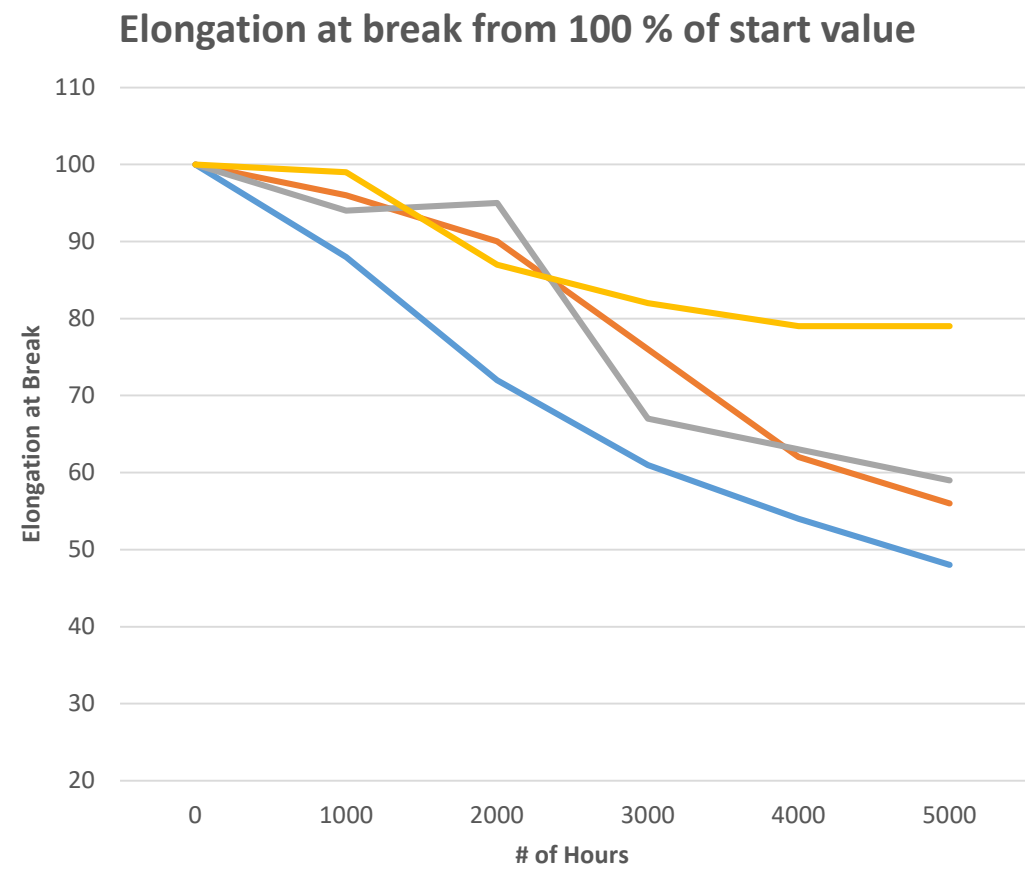


PA12

HDPE



Latest UV Resistance Data on PA12



VESTAMID® NRG PA12 Liners – trouble free corrosion protection

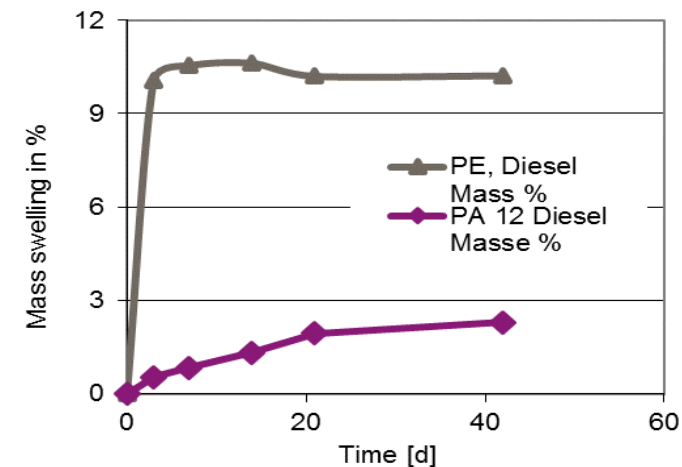
Case study:

Application

- Sour gas & condensate service
- High H₂S concentration ca. 25 Vol.%
- Operating temperature ca. 50°C

Key issues solved

- Previous HDPE–liner experienced collapse due to **Permeation** and **Swelling**.
 - PA12: Lower permeation of gases
 - PA12: Very low swelling in hydrocarbons
 - PA12: No loss of mechanical strength in hydrocarbons



Multilayer liner with PE external layer and PA12 barrier layer



Combination of PE100 with VESRTAMID® NRG.

Case 1:

Outer Layer : PE-RT

Adhesive layer: grafted adhesive

Inner Layer : VESTAMID® NRG

Circumferential bonding strength = 221N/cm

Longitudinal bonding strength = 217 N/cm

Case 2:

Outer Layer : PE100

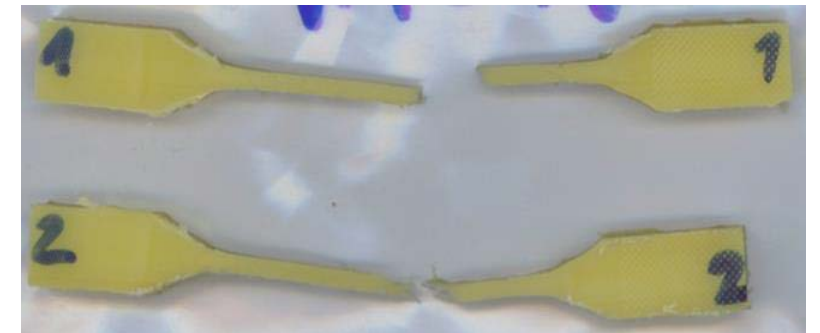
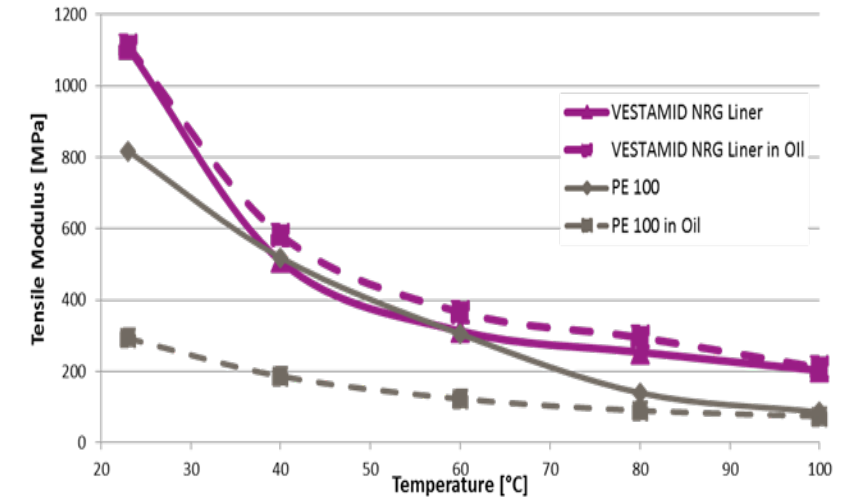
Adhesive layer: grafted adhesive

Inner Layer : VESTAMID® NRG

OD = 110 mm

Case study – Canada: No degradation after 12 months in highly sour conditions

Property	Units	Material	After 12 months
Tensile Modulus (at 1mm/min)	MPa	709	488
Tensile Stress at Yield (10 mm/min)	MPa	36	31
Tensile Elongation at Yield (10 mm/min)	%	12	17
Stress at Break (10 mm/min)	MPa	37	36
Corrected Inherent Viscosity	dl/g	1.829 ± 0.02	1.812 ± 0.02



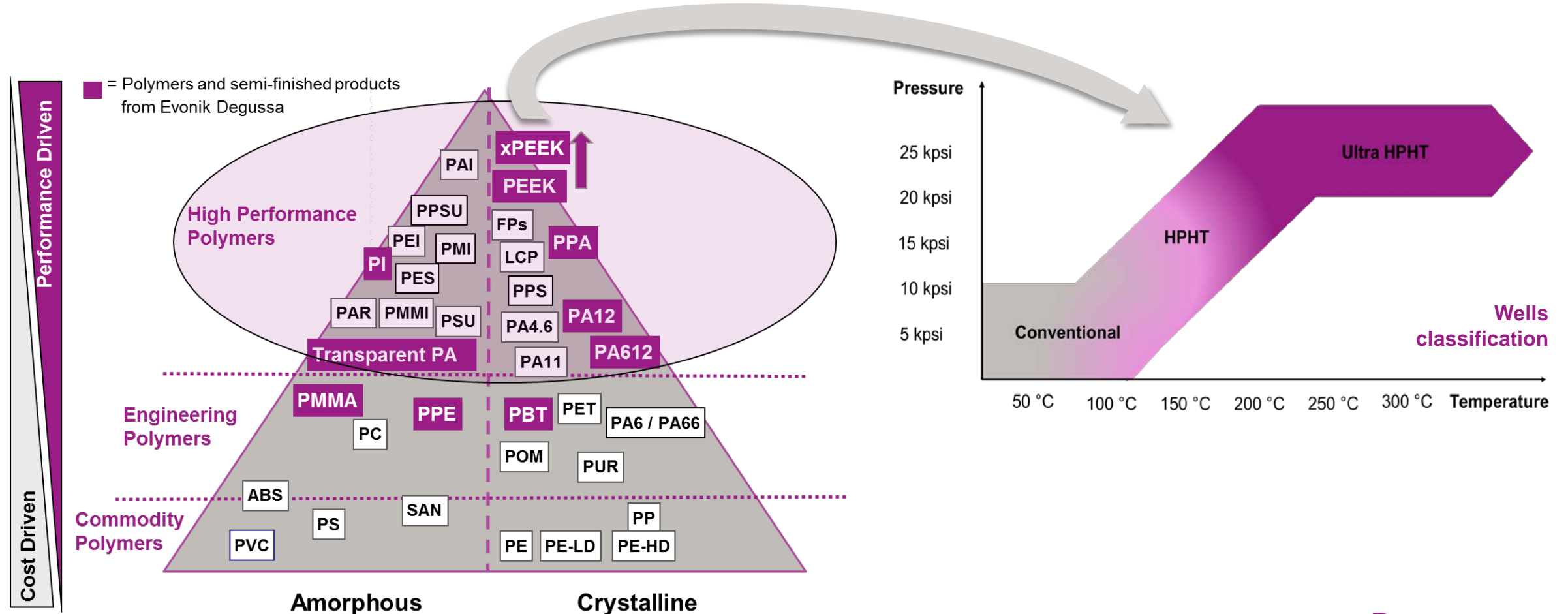
VESTAKEEP for O&G Pipe Applications

Akshay Ponda, Evonik USA



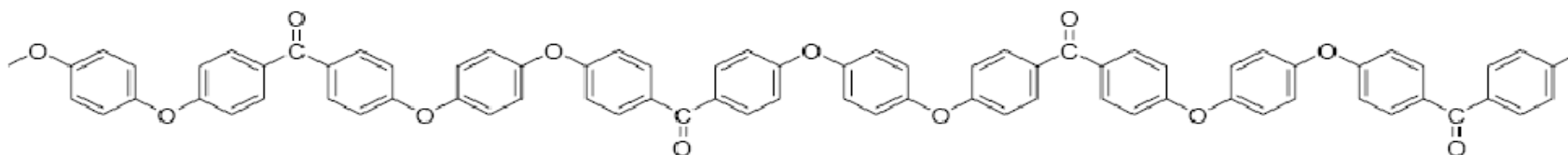
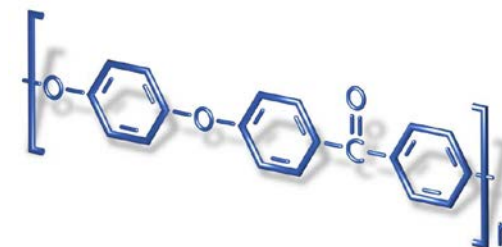
Polymers for Oil & Gas

PEEK & xPEEK for HPHT applications

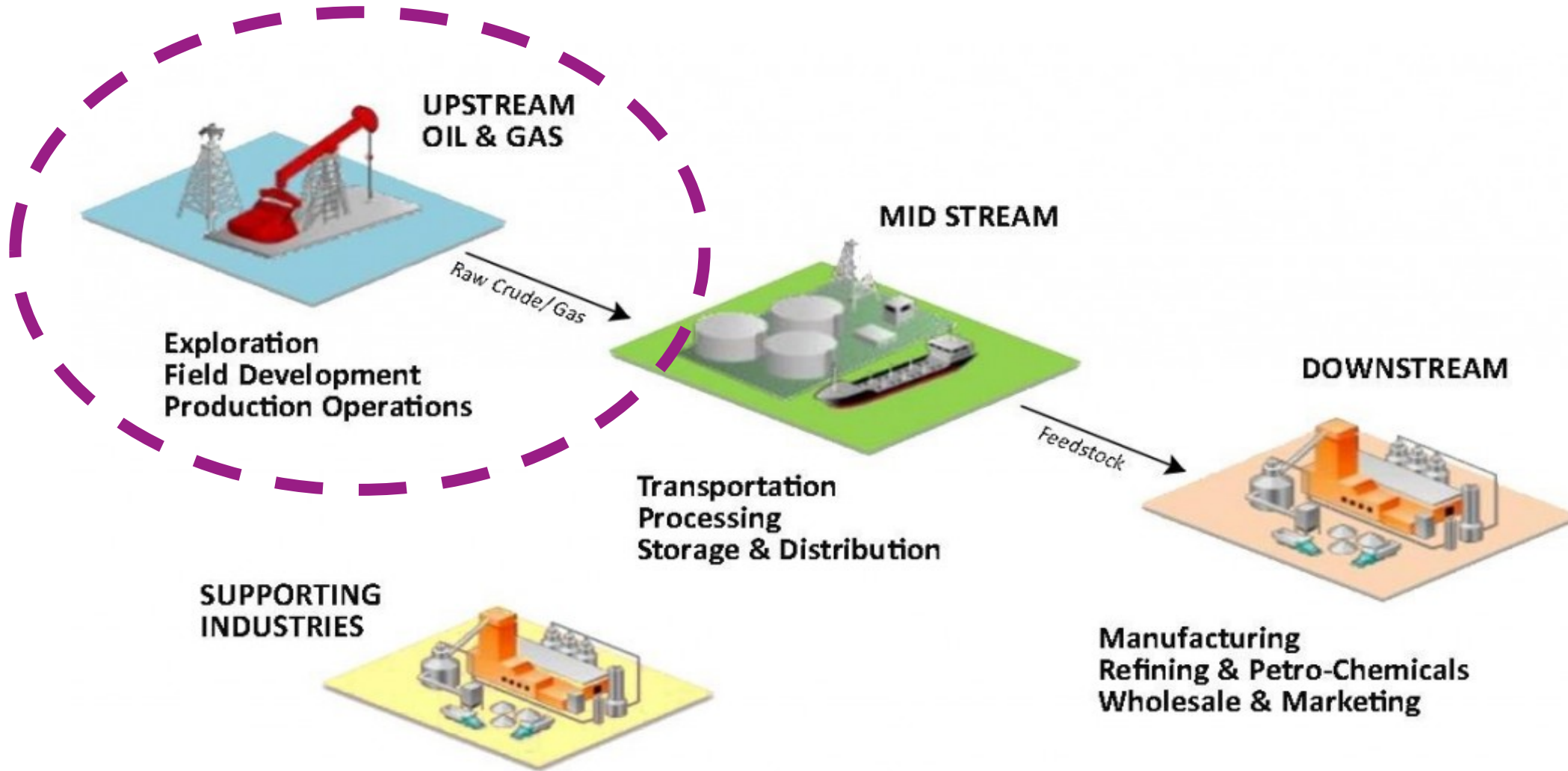


PEEK – Basic Properties

- High Glass Transition Temp (T_g) → ~143 - 152 °C
- High Melting Point (T_m) → ~ 340 °C
- Continuous service temperature → ~ 250 °C
- Hydrolysis, hot water and hot steam resistance up to 250 °C
- High mechanical strength and rigidity
- Excellent resistance to chemicals.
- Outstanding wear and tribological behaviour.
- Inherent flame resistant (UL-V0, wall thickness independent)
- Good radiation resistance / highest gamma radiation resistance of all plastics
- Stress crack resistant very good friction and wear properties

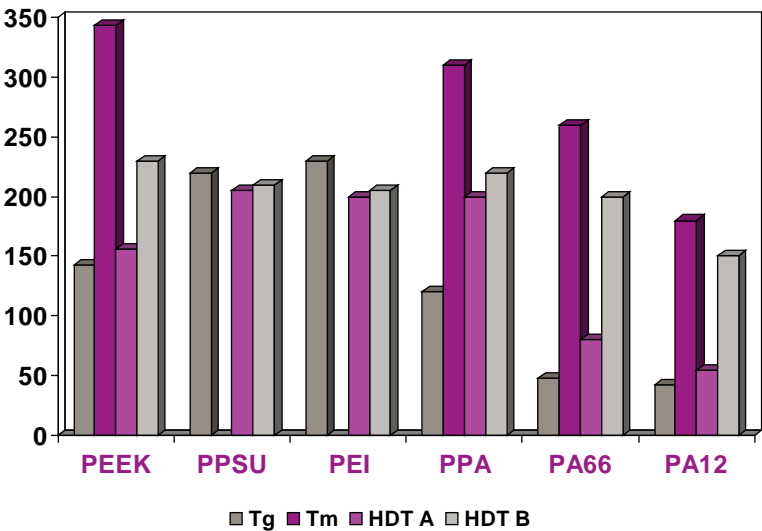
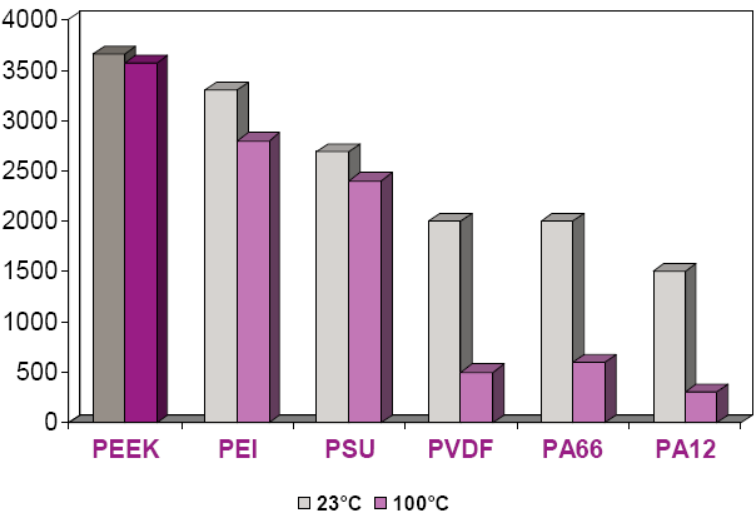


Oil and Gas Application Overview

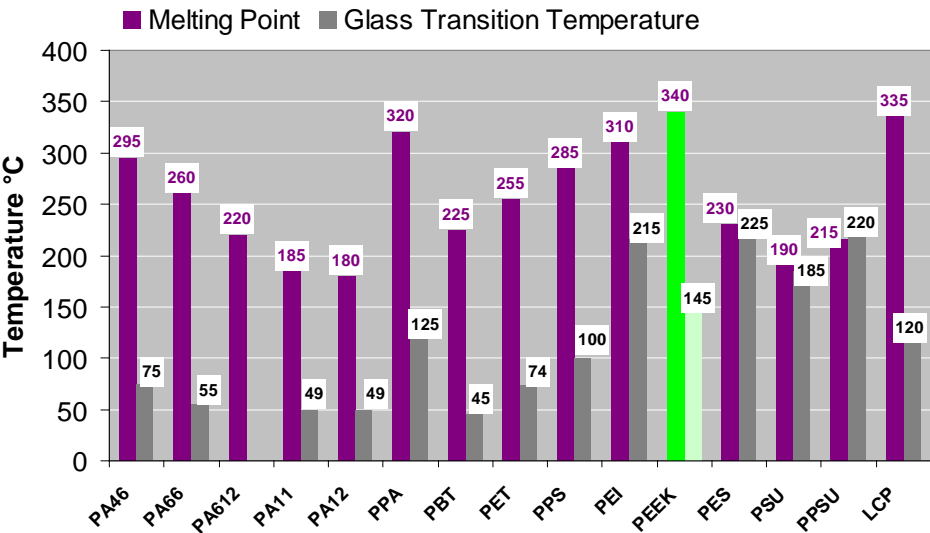
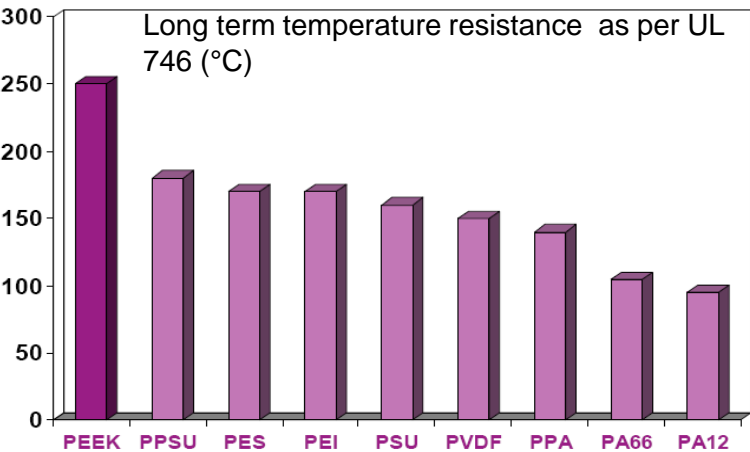


Relative Properties of PEEK Polymer

Tensile Modulus (MPa)



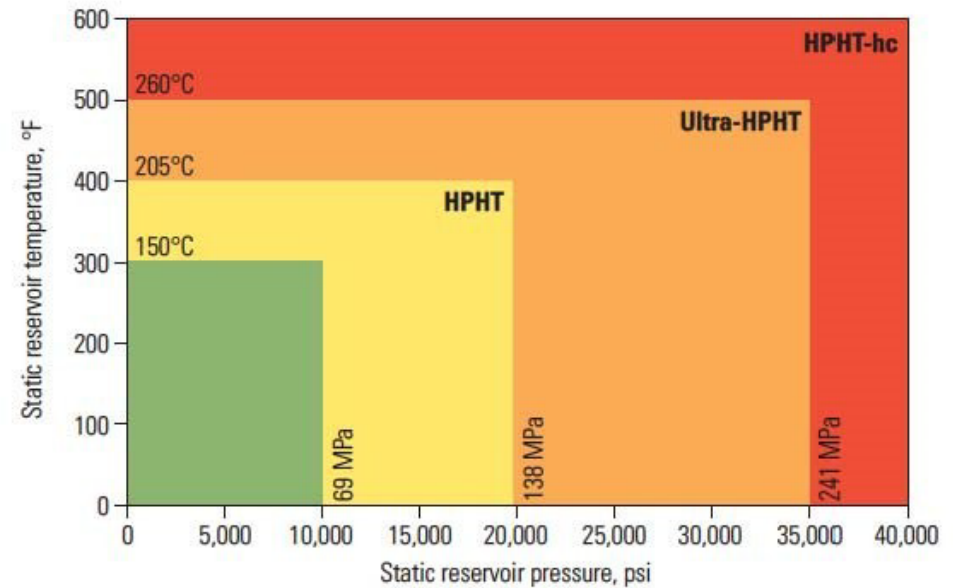
Temp. (°C)



PEEK is ideal for demanding upstream applications

Current Applications:

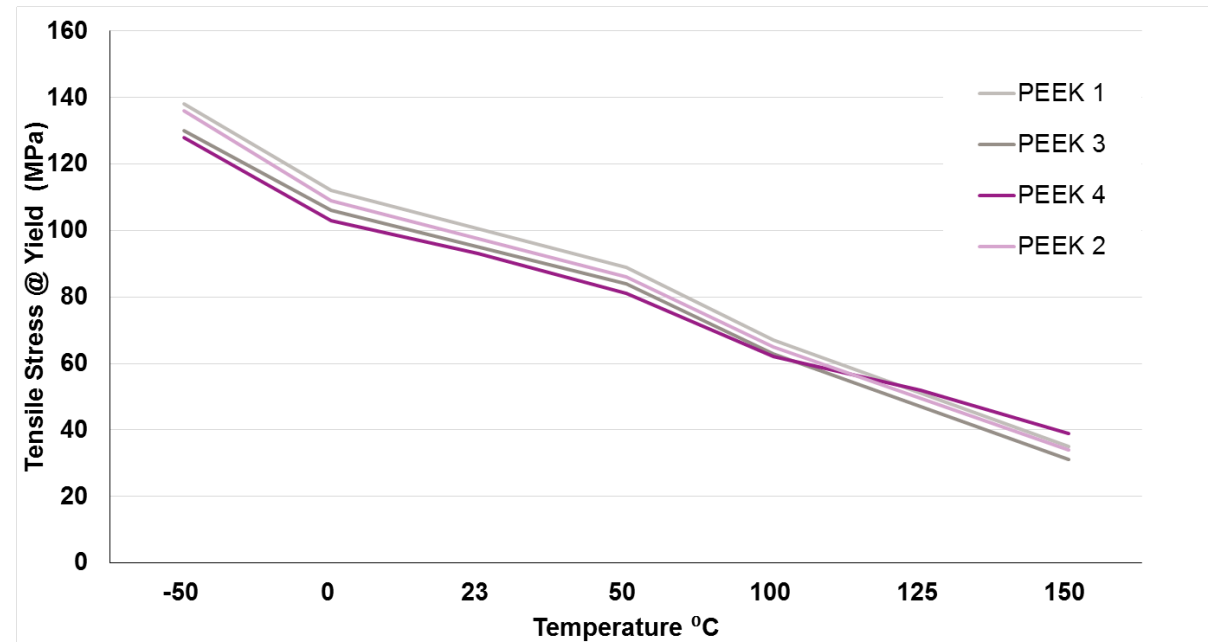
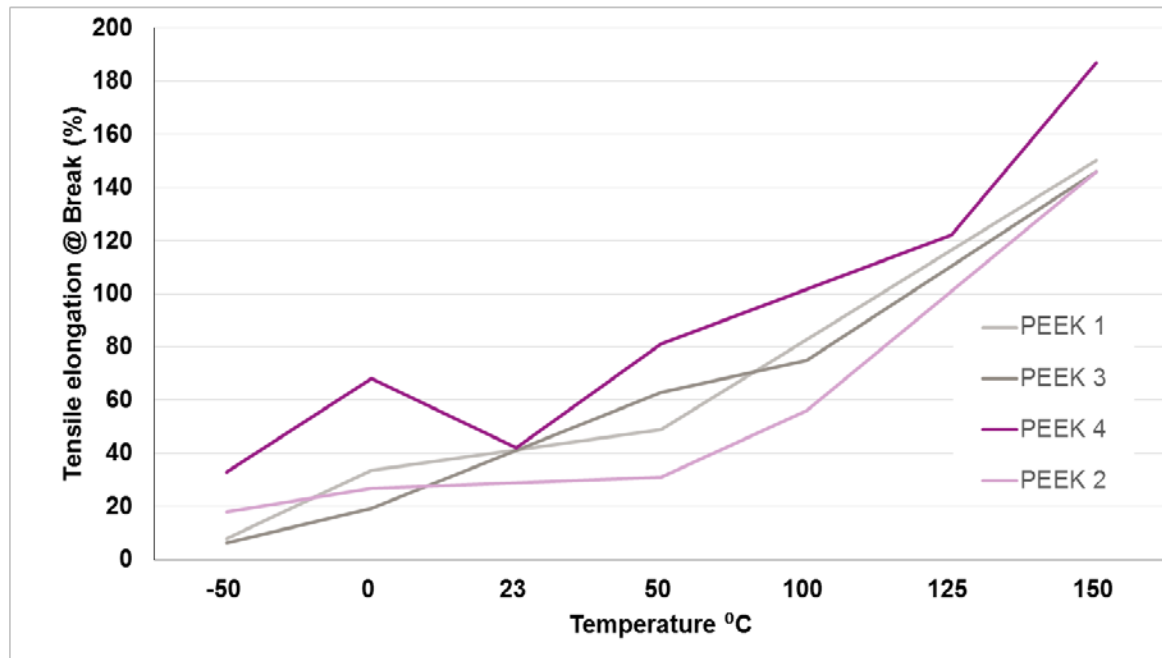
- Seal Packs – Back-up rings, face seals, etc
- Electrical Connectors, W&C Jacketing
- Anti wear tapes, Subsea Pipes and Liners
- Corrosion resistant coatings
- Parts for compressors, pumps, valves, etc.
- Tools, Subsea components
- Many more...



^ HPHT classification system. The classification boundaries represent stability limits of common well-service-tool components—elastomeric seals and electronic devices.

*Ref for above Chart : Schlumberger's website.
www.slb.com

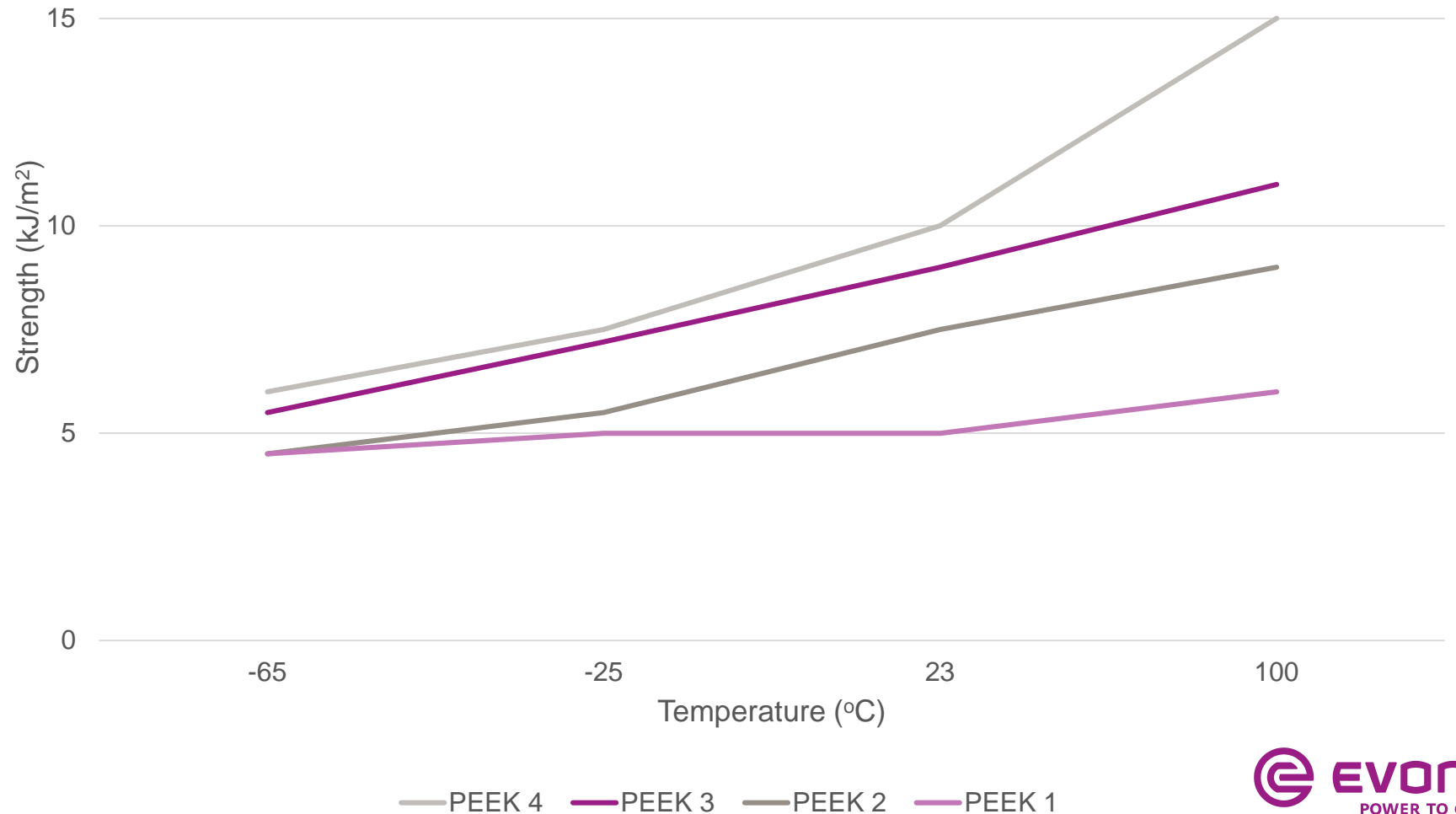
Tensile Test Data: PEEK Grades in Comparison



Very high molecular weight PEEK exhibits higher strain at break at all temps...

Notched Impact Strength @ -65 to 100°C

- Higher the Molecular weight, better is the Impact resistance



Sour Fluid Resistance at Elevated Temperatures

▪ **NORSOK M710 Rev 2 testing:**

- Test Temps – 195°C, 215°C, 225°C.
- Exposure time – Up to 32 days

Exposure fluid composition and distribution

Volume (%)	Composition
30	10 (2) / 5 / 85 mol% H2S/CO2/CH4
10	Distilled Water
60	70 % heptane, 20% cyclohexane, 10% toluene

Results:

Vestakeep® 4000G and 5000G meet NORSOK Acceptance Criteria in terms of:

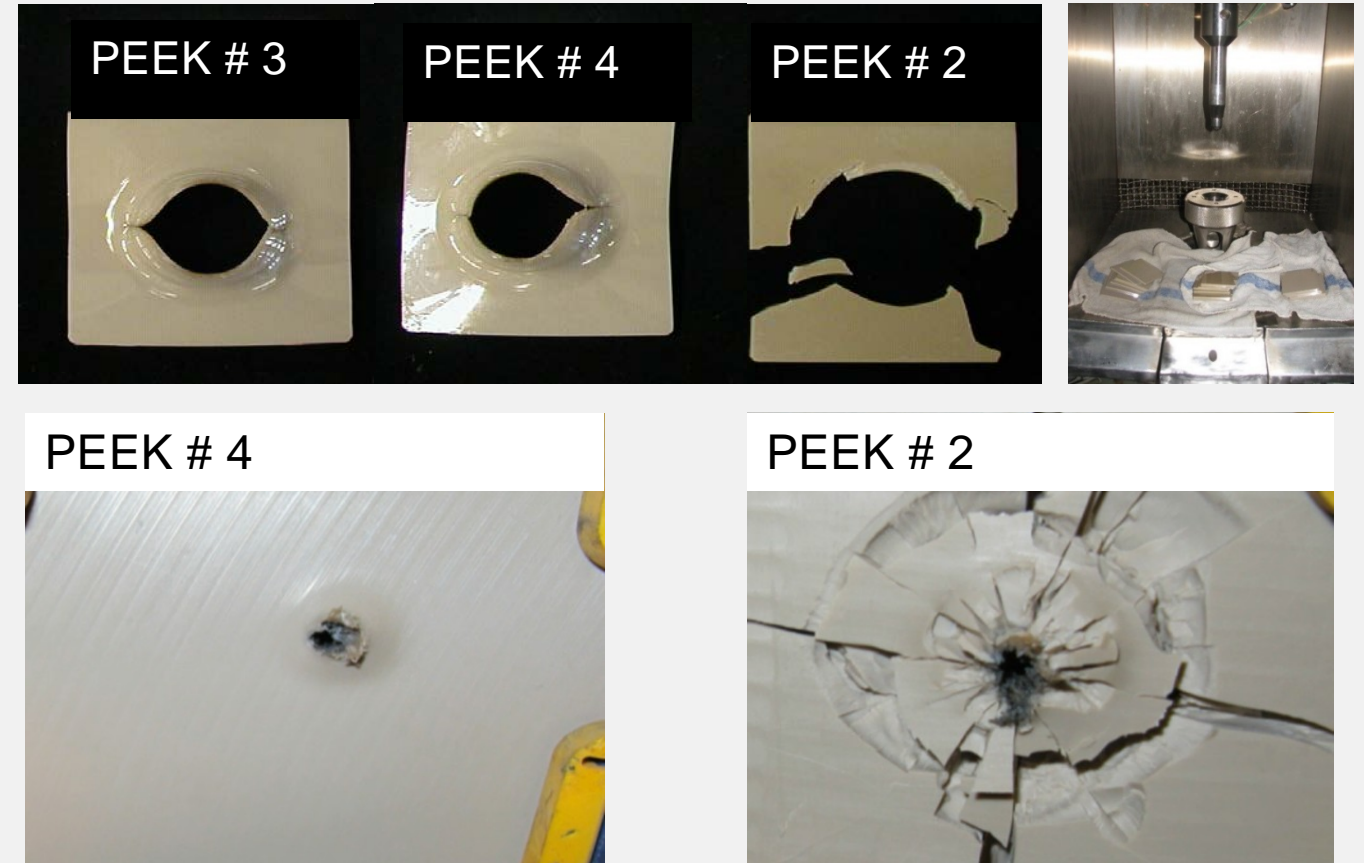
- Swell
- Tensile Properties – Changes in modulus, strength and elongation at break.

Ongoing work to test Vestakeep ® grades under extreme conditions of exposure in temperature, chemical (very high % H2S / salt water) and time...

High Speed Impact Testing

- High speed penetration testing:
 - Piston is pushed through sample plate
 - Speed 1 m/s - 10 m/s
 - Force and elongation of sample recorded

@ 23°C	PEEK 3	PEEK 4	PEEK 2
1m/s	D	D	D
4.4m/s	D	D	D
10m/s	D	D	B



- PEEK 4 – shows **ductile fracture** behavior due to a higher energy absorption
- High molecular weight PEEK also shows much **less brittleness** and thus does not fail in brittle mode.....

Summary: Molecular Weight Matters...

- **Very High Molecular Weight PEEK exhibits:**
 - Similar Mechanical Properties to other grades
 - Similar Chemical compatibility / resistance behavior
 - Higher Viscosity
 - Much less sensitivity to cracking (less brittle)
 - Potentially have an effect on overall long term performance and ultimate failure mode.

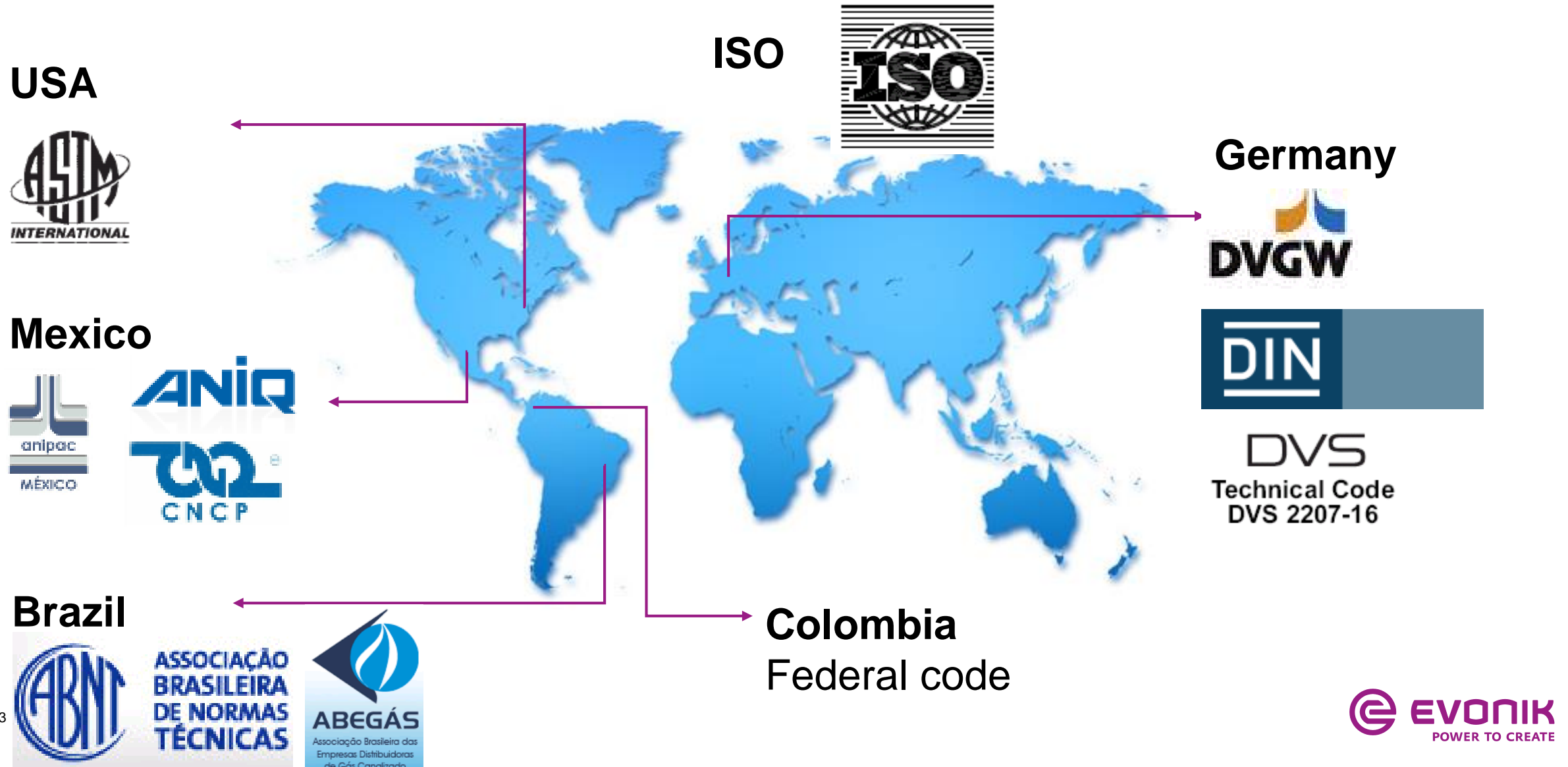




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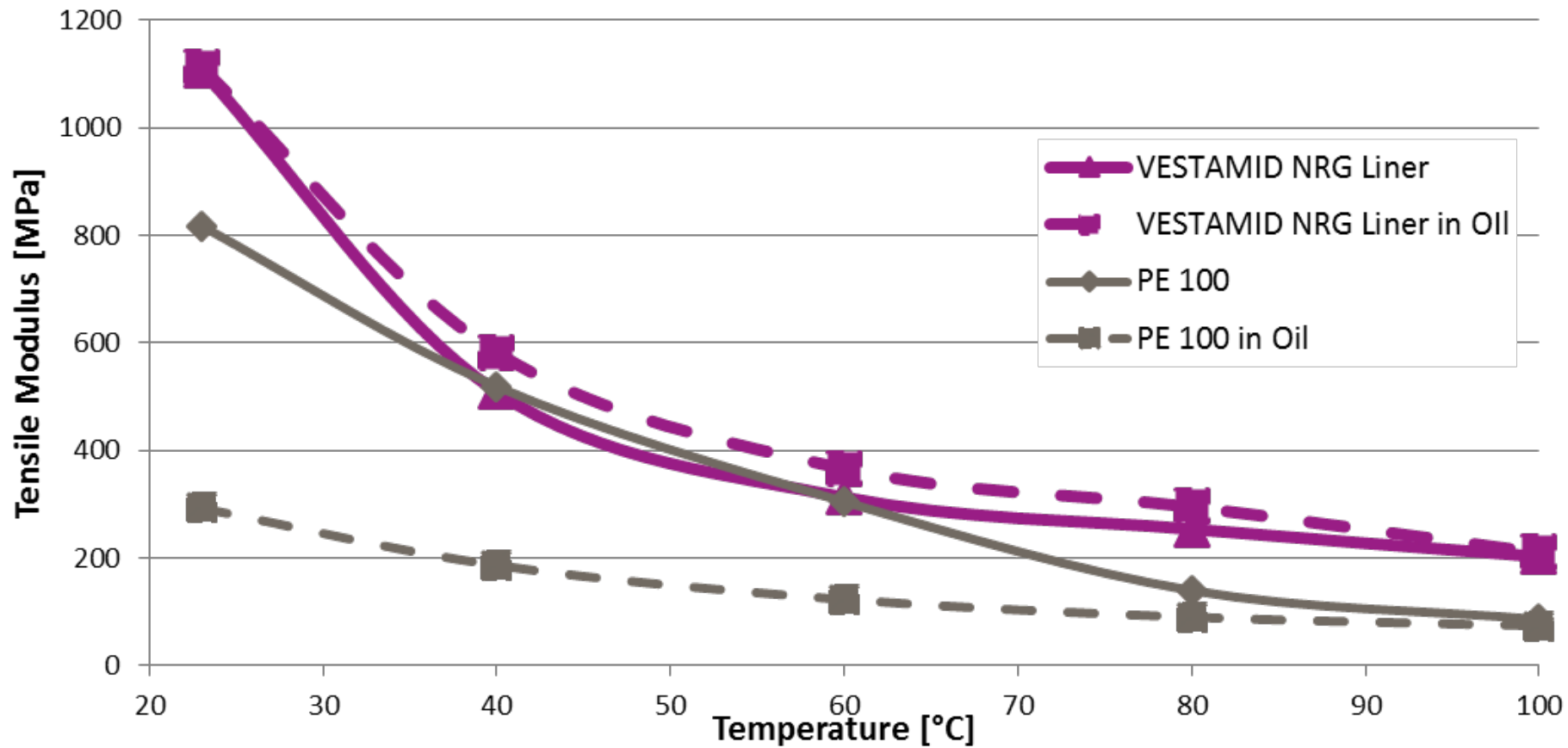
POWER TO CREATE

Regional standards for PA-U 12 180 are developing globally



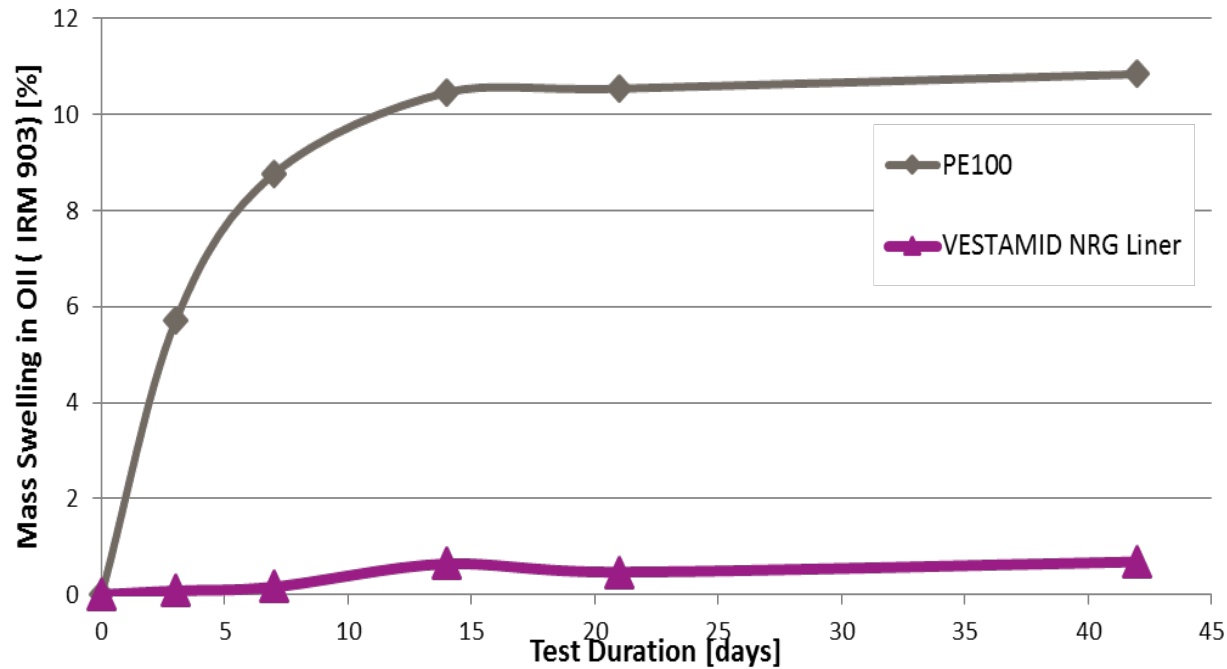
VESTAMID® NRG PA12 improves the reliability of liners:

- High mechanical strength in Hydrocarbons

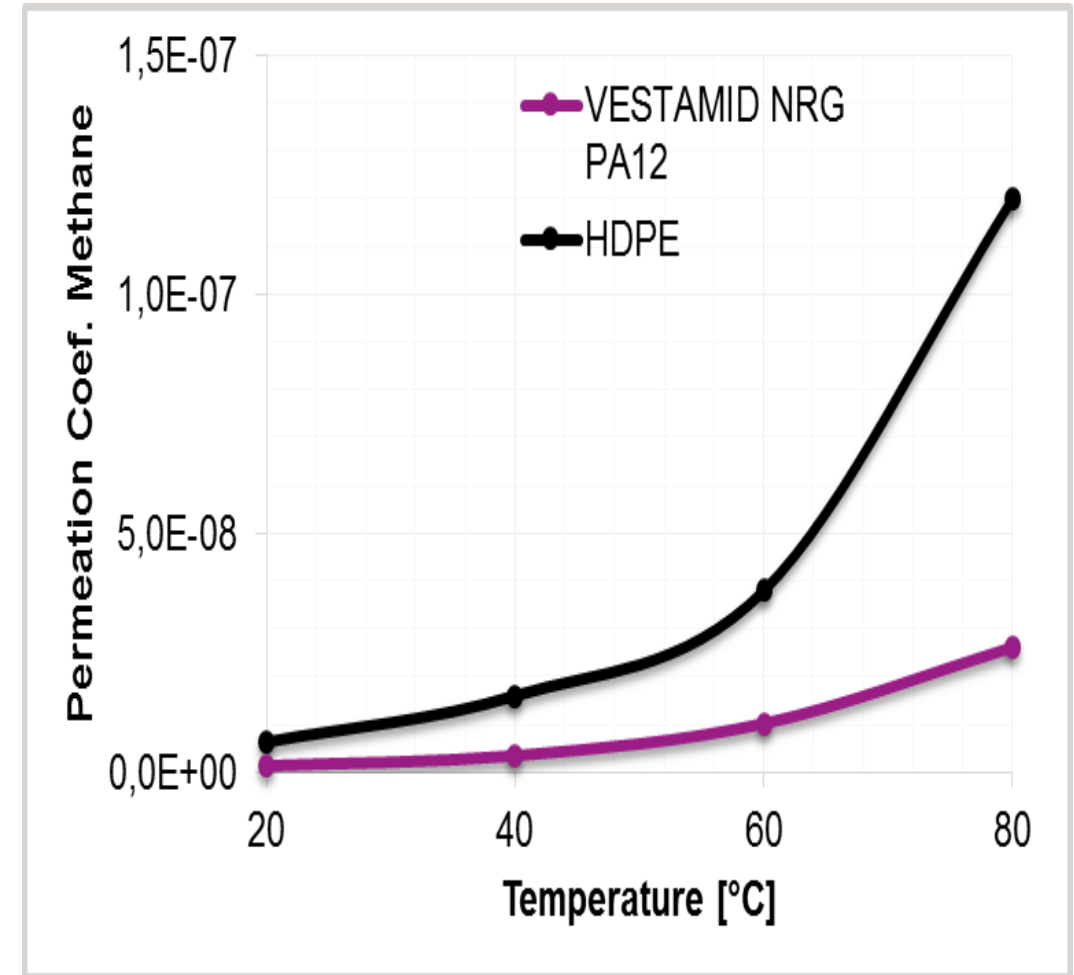


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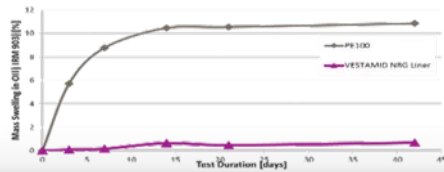
- Low swelling in Hydrocarbons



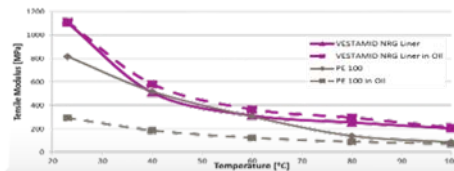
- Better corrosion protection
- Pipeline venting frequency reduced → OPEX savings
- Improved collapse resistance



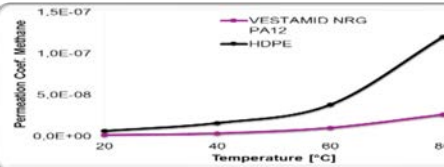
VESTAMID® NRG PA12 – reliable liners in harsh conditions



Low swelling in oil



No loss of mechanical strength after saturation in oil



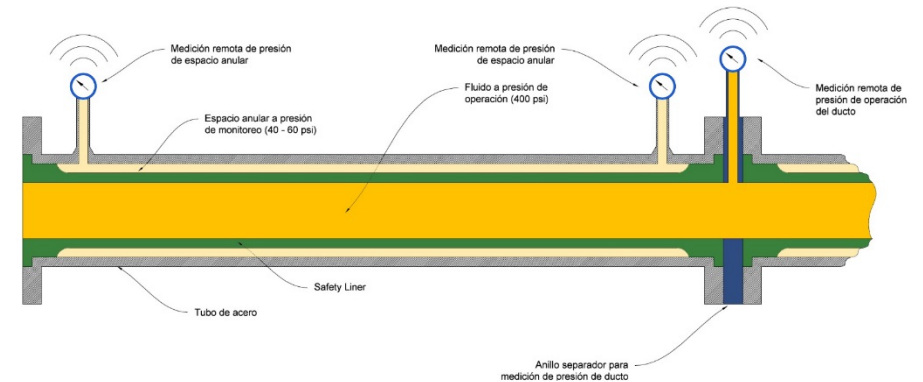
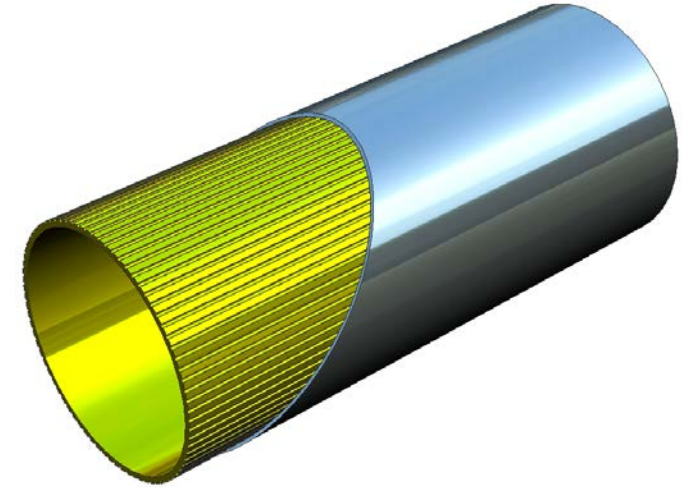
Low gas permeation



Improved collapse resistance

Grooved liner: active liner monitoring and leak detection system

1. The liner pipe was designed so that it could carry an annular space fluid used as a means for detecting damage to the steel without an actual leak developing.
2. A series of annular grooves were incorporated to the liner surface which carry air pressurized at 10 to 15 psi and monitored continuously.
3. In case a pinhole leak develops, the annular space pressure will drop indicating damage to the steel pipe while the liner bridges the hole and a possible leak.



Hydrolysis protection

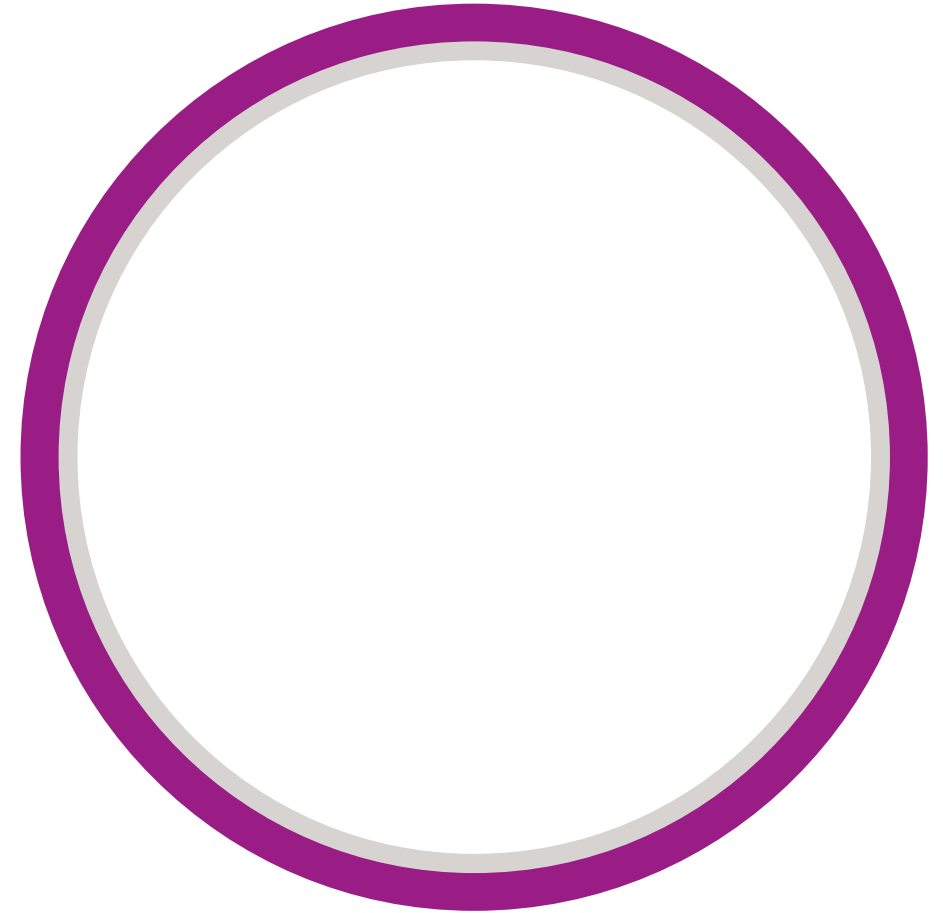
2 layer system:

- **Inner layer:** modified PVDF (optimized bonding to PVDF).

Provides chemical protection for PA12 layer (permeation, chemical resistance).

- **Outer layer:** PA12.

Provides mechanical protection for PVDF layer (fatigue, ductility, creep).



VESTAMID® NRG PA12 Liners – trouble free corrosion protection

Case study:

24 Months operation

- No change in chemical properties of liner
- No loss in mechanical properties of the liner
- No swelling
- No venting of gases required

Value proposition of VESTAMID® NRG PA12

- Trouble free liner for corrosion protection in harsh conditions
- Collapse resistant liner with a design of more than 20 years

