

DNDA GUN PROPELLANTS

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Batch - Process using Duplex Mixer

Solvent Process



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Continuous Shear Roller Process

Process for waterwet Paste

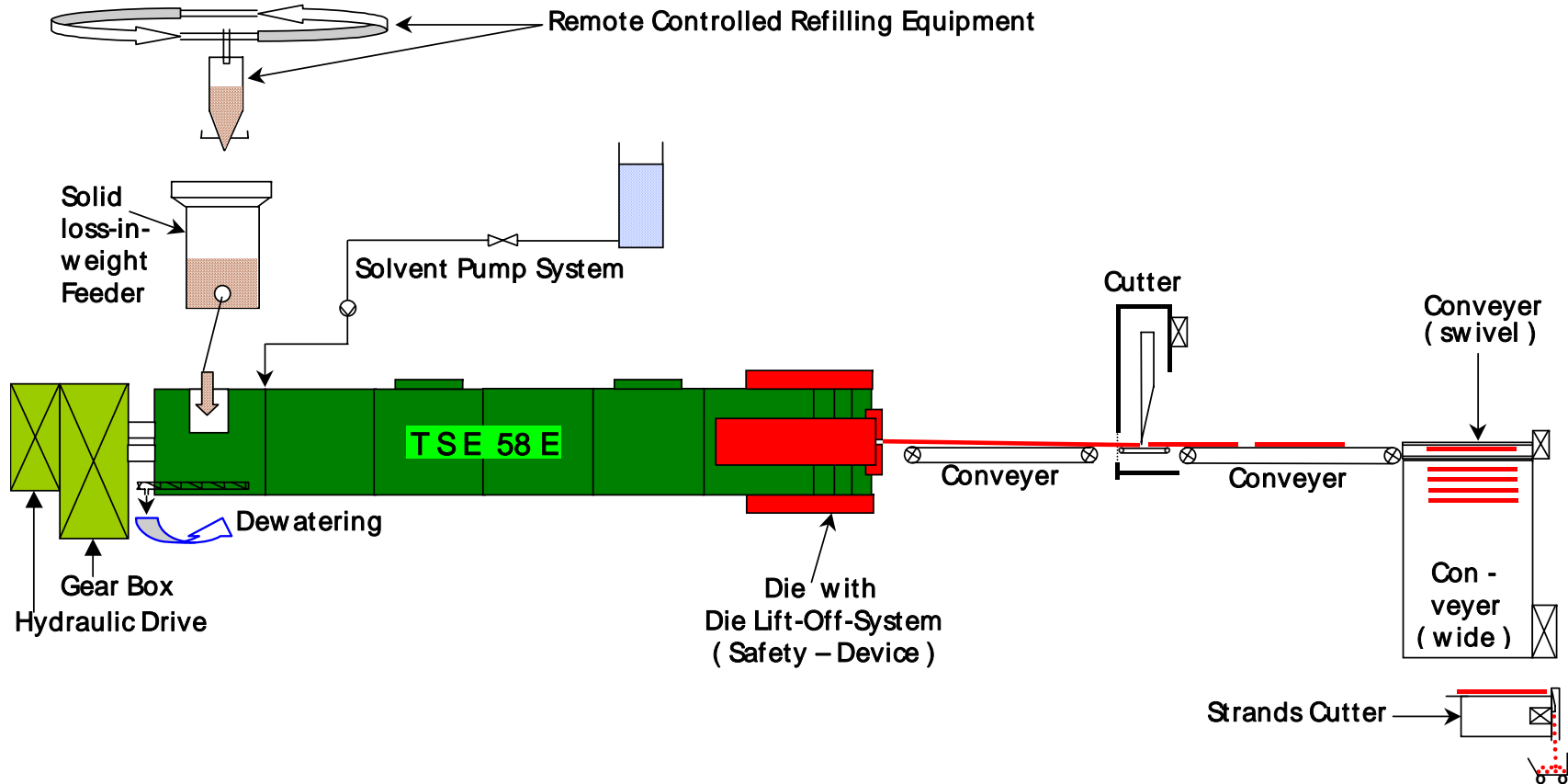


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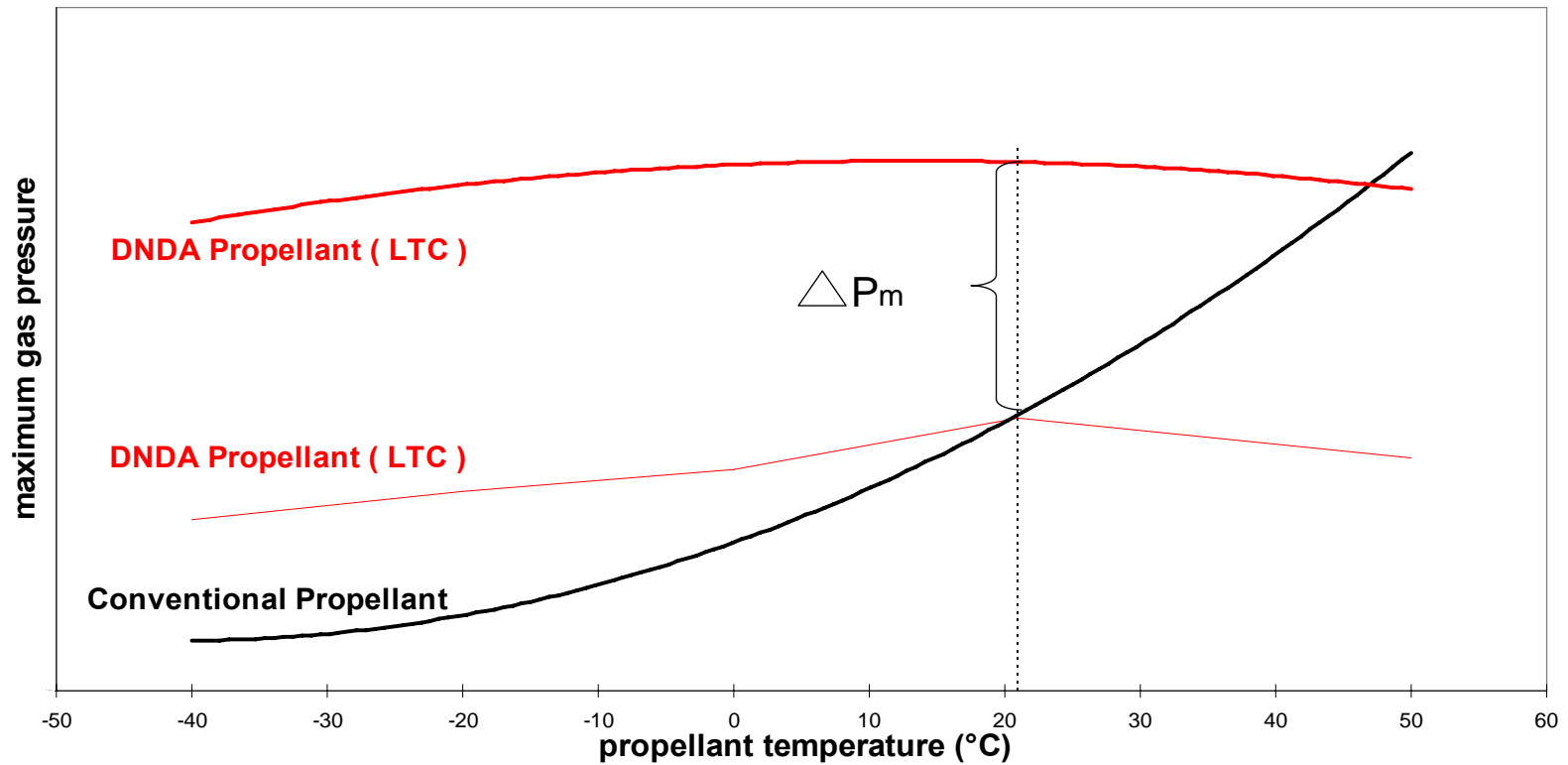
Twin - Screw Extruder Process



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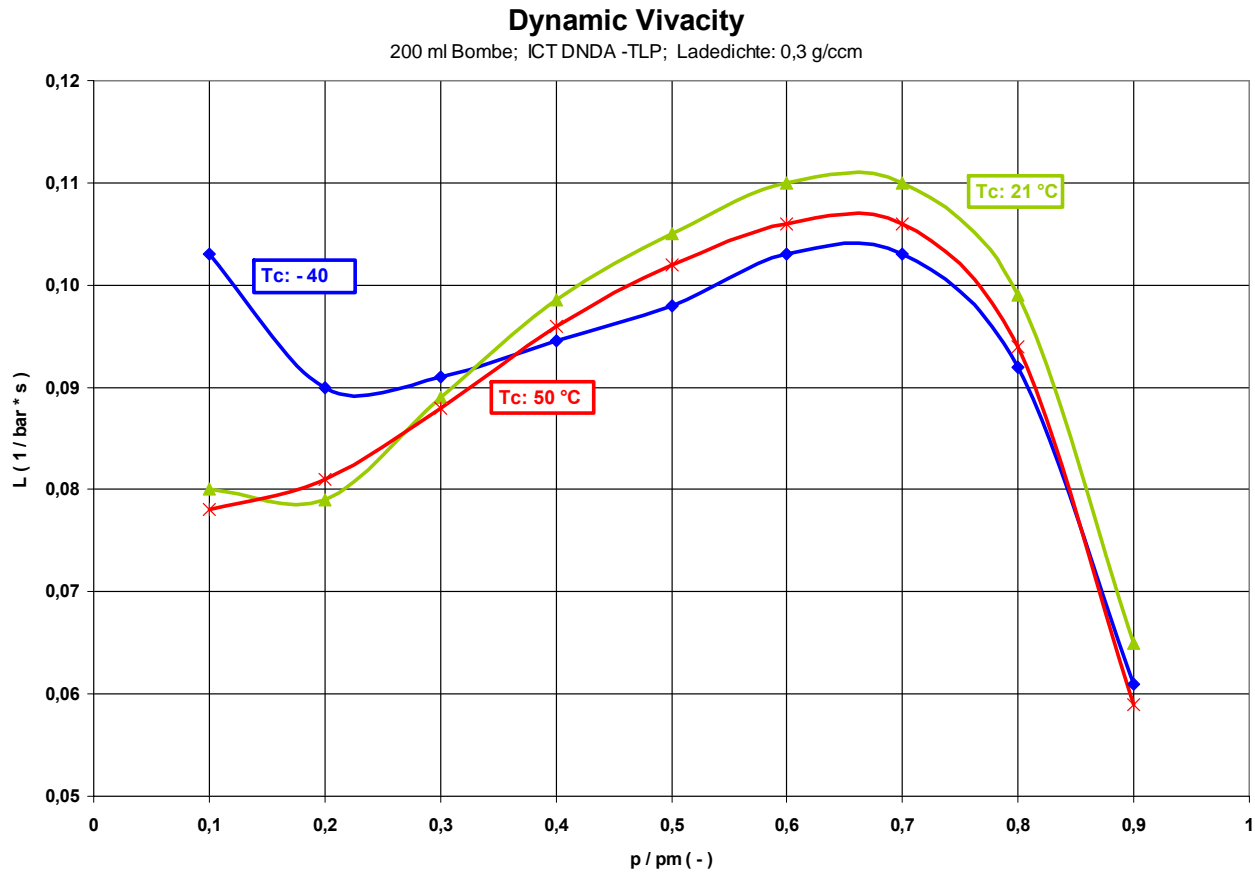
Temperature behaviour of gun propellants

Max. gas pressure vs propellant temperature



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Behaviour of DNDA - Propellant at -40°C, +21°C, +50°C in Closed Vessel



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Influence of the Processing Technologie / DNDA Propellant



Batch - Process
Mixer

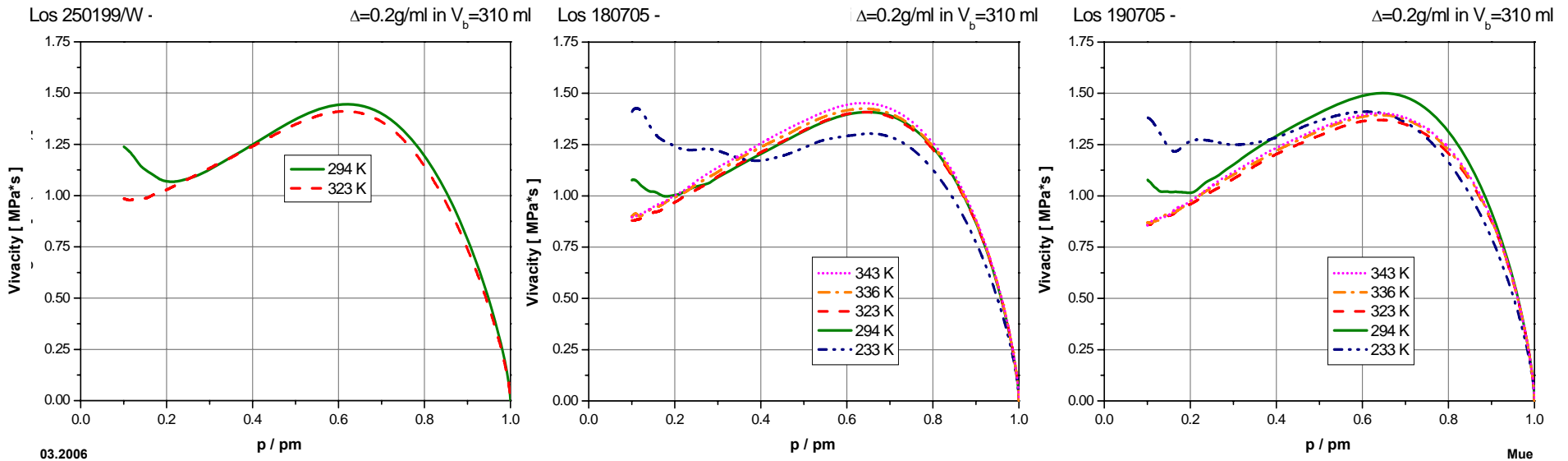


Shear Roller
Continuous Process
Waterwet Paste

Vivacity of the Propellants

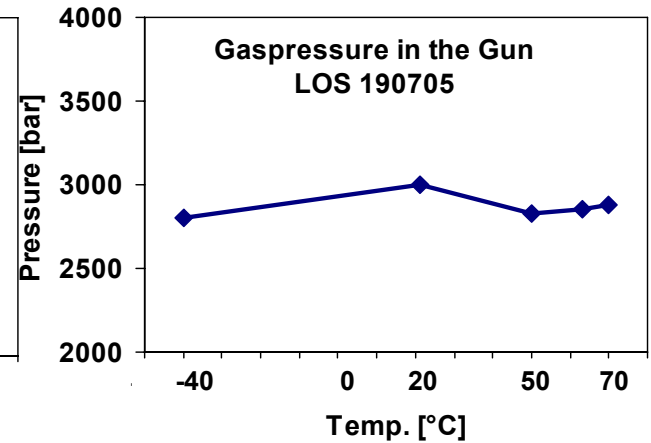
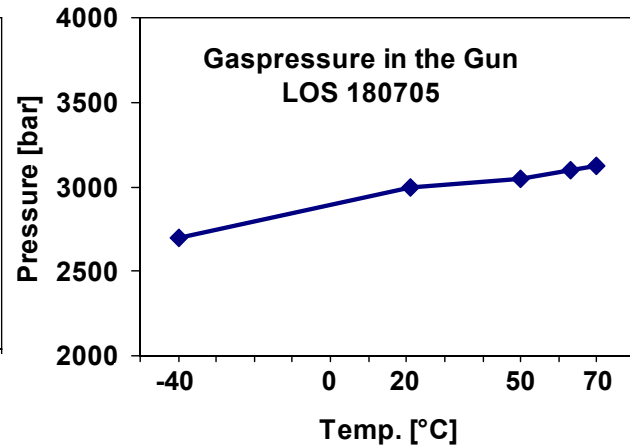
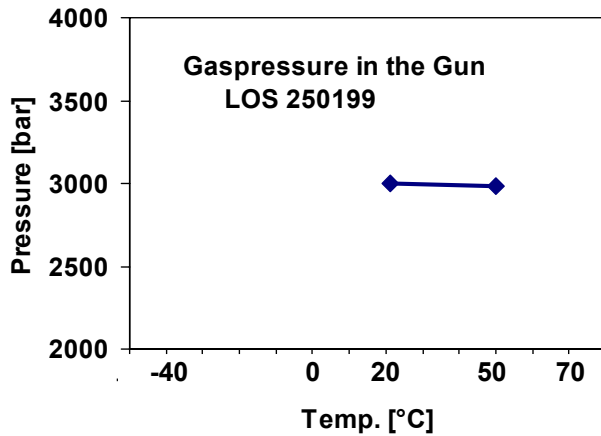
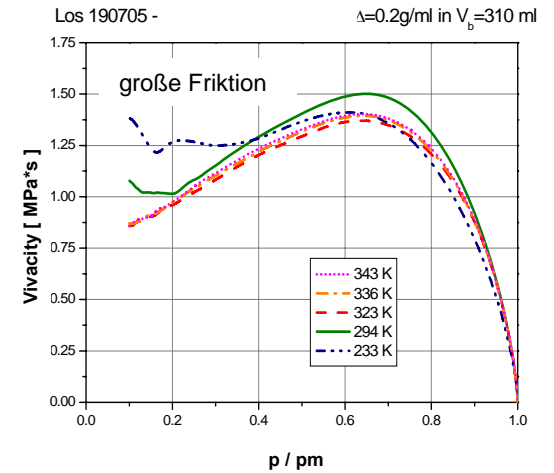
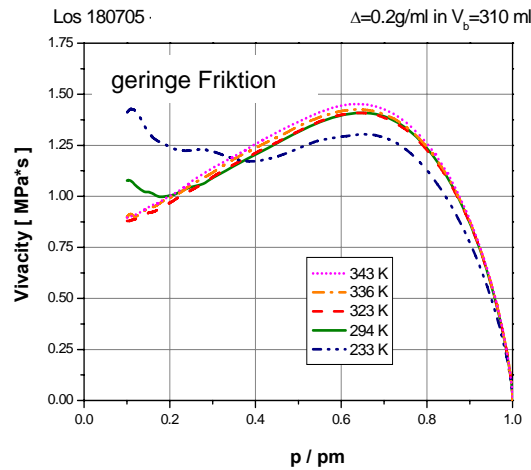
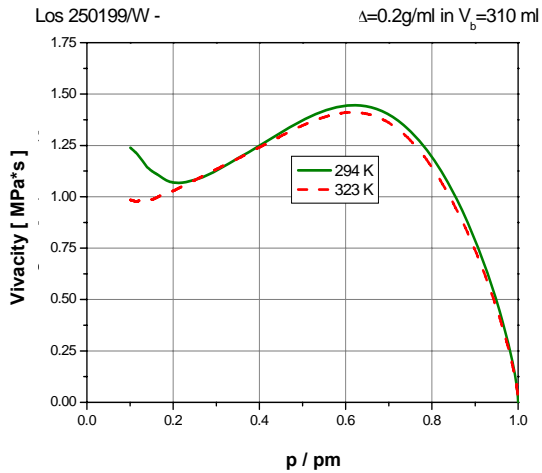
Low Friction

High Friction



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Influence of the Processing Technology



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DNDA Gun Propellants

- RDX
- Binder, Nitrocellulose
- DNDA Plasticizer

* Plasticizer mixed into the Propellant – Dough

NO SURFACE COATING

- ◆ energy density adaptable
- ◆ flame temperature approx. 500 K lower than that of conventional propellants

<i>Formulation</i>	<i>Impetus (J/g)</i>	<i>Flame Temp (K)</i>	<i>Mol wt (g/mole)</i>
<i>A</i>	<i>1080</i>	<i>2540</i>	<i>19.4</i>
<i>B</i>	<i>1180</i>	<i>2910</i>	<i>20.8</i>
<i>C</i>	<i>1300</i>	<i>3390</i>	<i>21.6</i>

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Safety

Safety datas

Loss of weight after 18 days	< 1.10 %
Loss of weight after 30 days	< 1.65 %
Sensitivity to friction	160 N
Sensitivity to impact	4 J
Ignition temperature	approx. 200 - 220°C
Fast cook off test	burning
Shaped charge impact test	burning
Cook – off Temp.	approx. 205 °C

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Viscosity of the DNDA Plasticizer

Rotational Rheometer Results

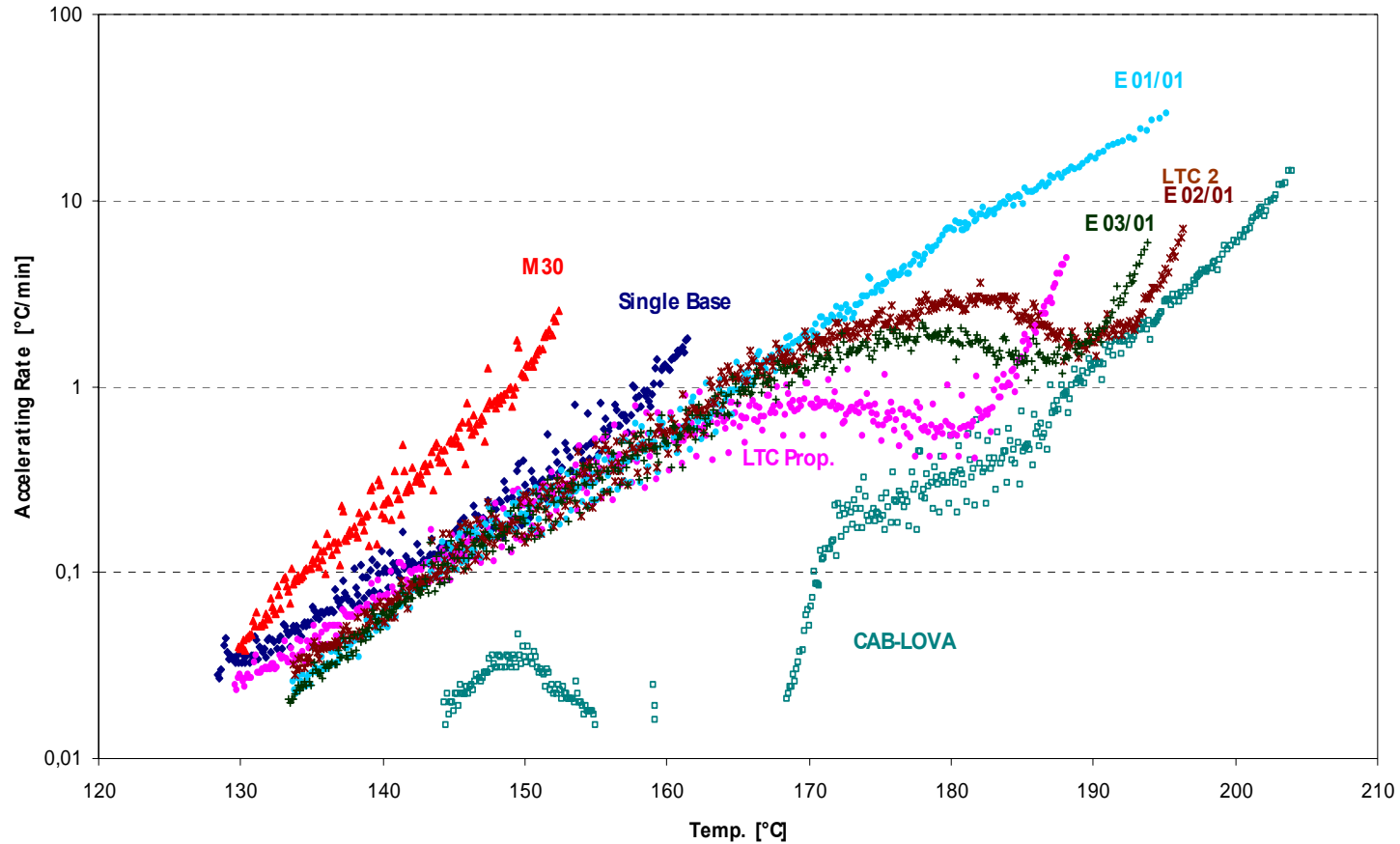
+ 50 °C 20 mPa*s
+ 20 °C 137 mPa*s Newton Behaviour
0 °C 1532 mPa*s

- 6 °C 5595 mPa*s
- 7 °C 6928 mPa*s Structurally Viscose Behaviour
- 8 °C 9059 mPa*s
- 9 °C 11351 mPa*s

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ARC

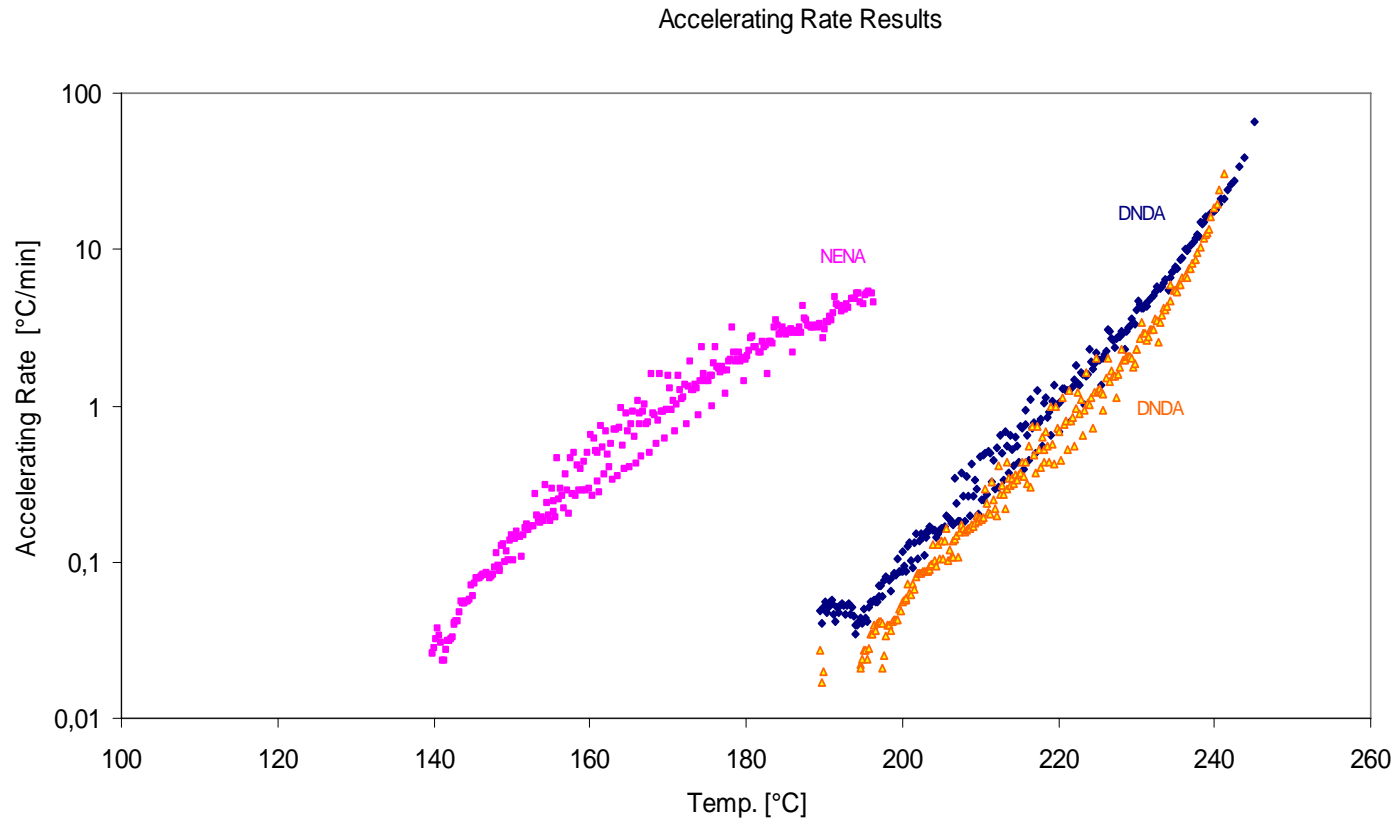
Accelerating Rate Investigations of DNDA - Propellants compared with CAB-Lova, M30 and Single Base Prop.



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ARC

DNDA compared with NENA

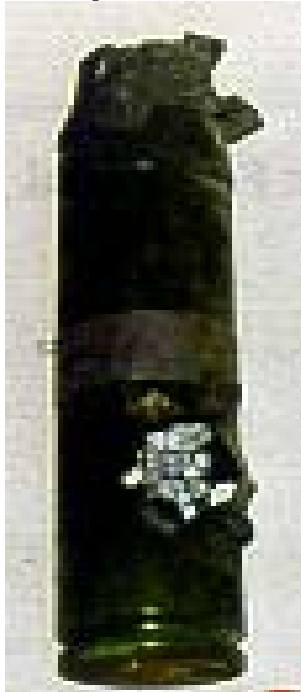


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Shaped Charge Test (cal. 44 mm)

Cartridge cal. 35 mm

**CAB -LOVA
Propellant**

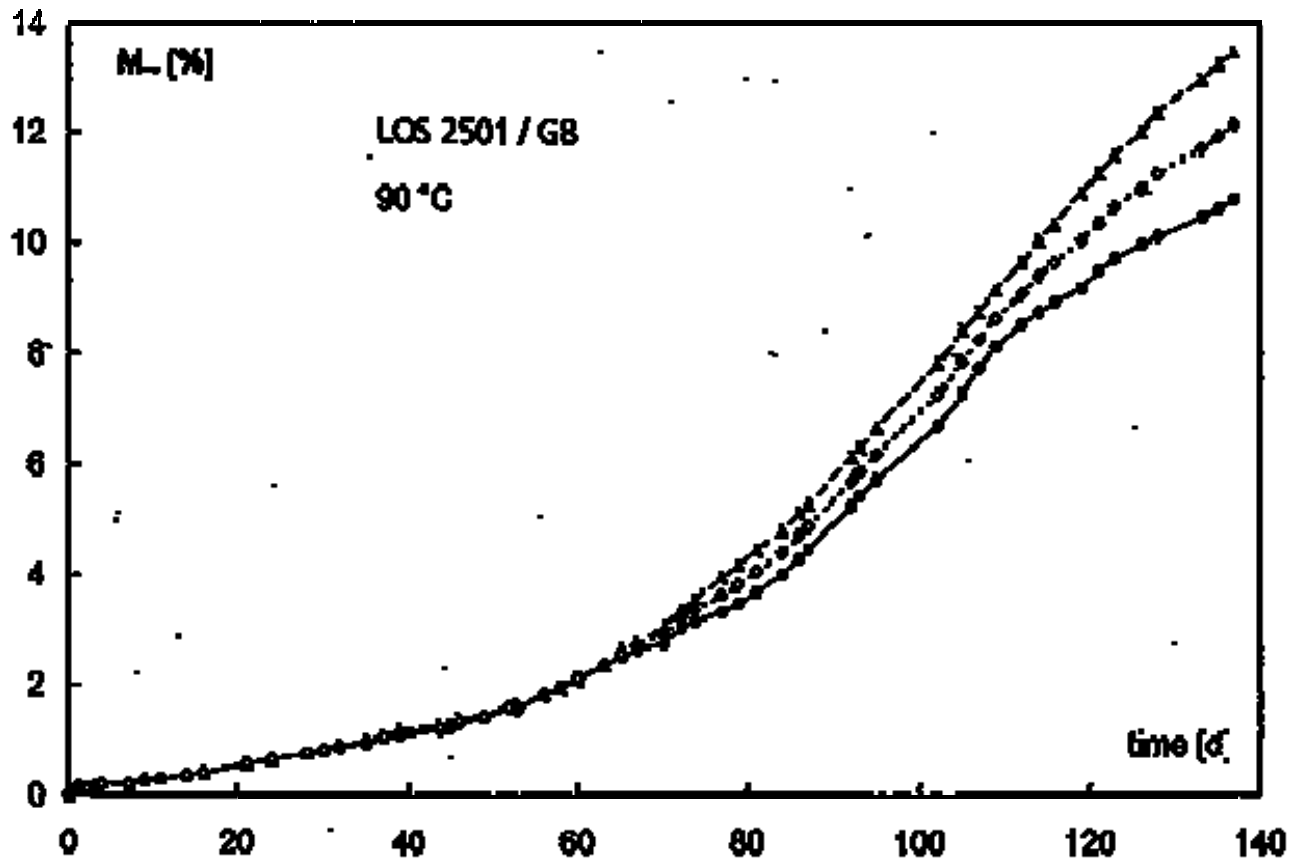


**DNDA
Propellant**



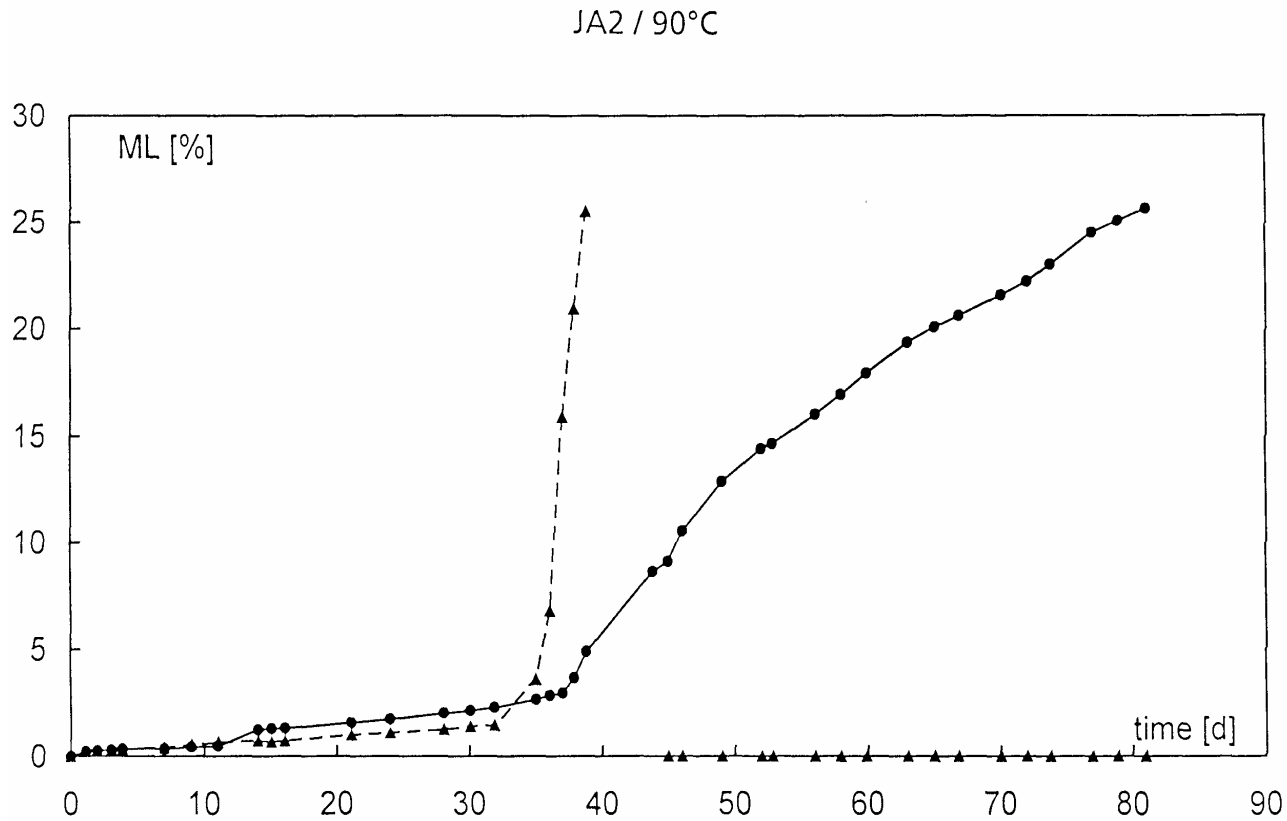
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Longterm Stability at 90°C / DNDA - Propellant



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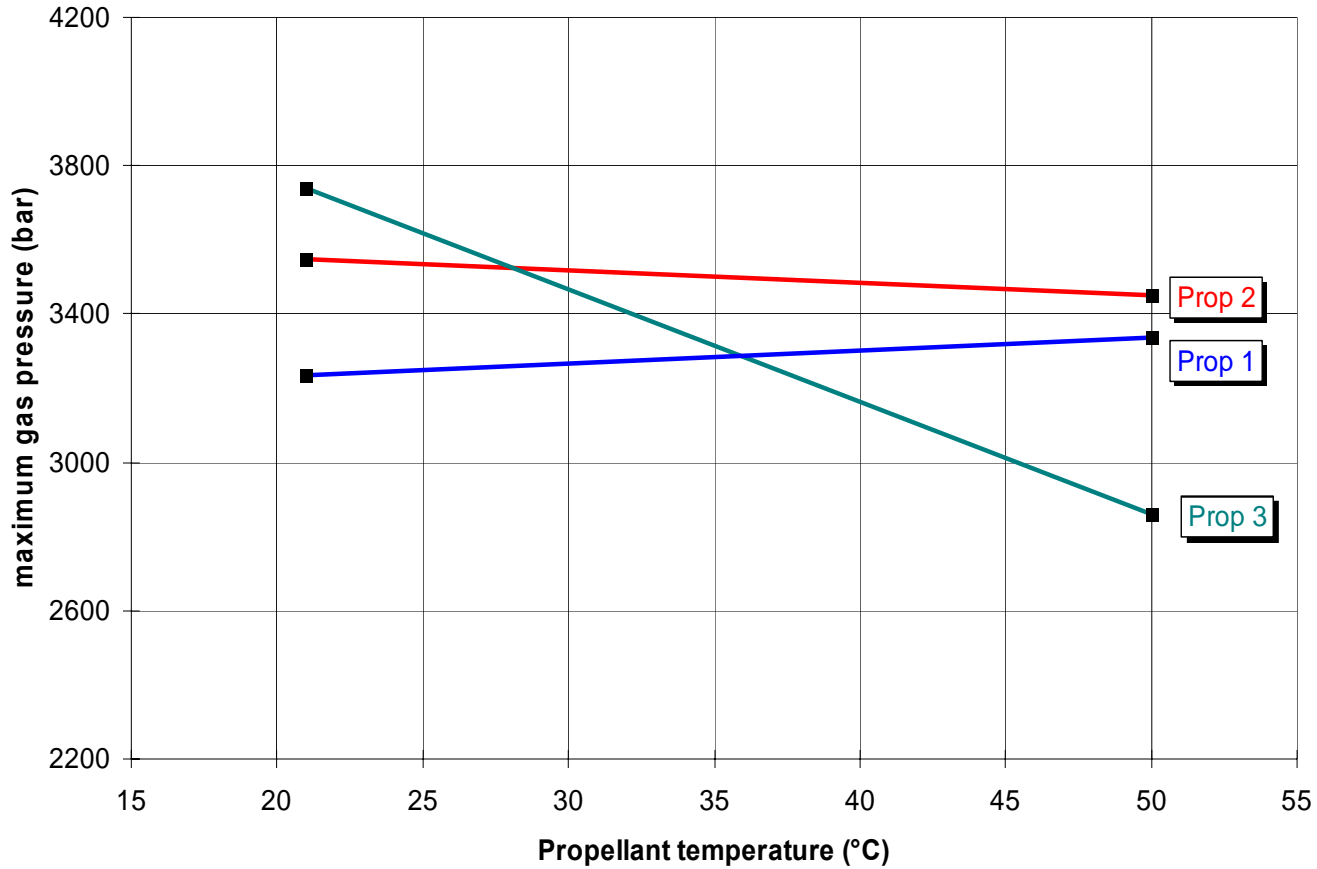
Longterm Stability of JA2 at 90 °C



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40 mm Gun Firing Tests of 3 propellants

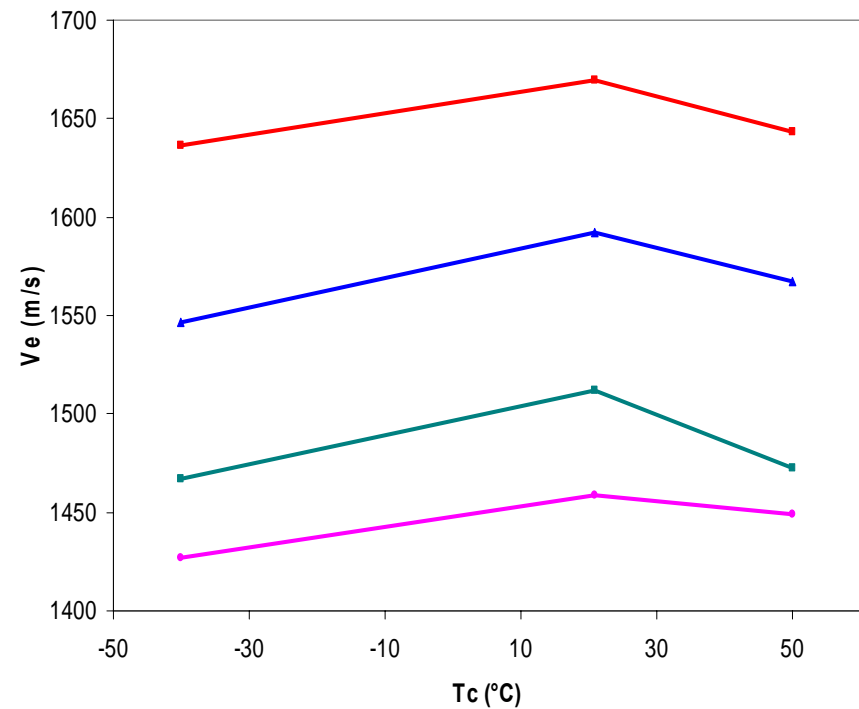
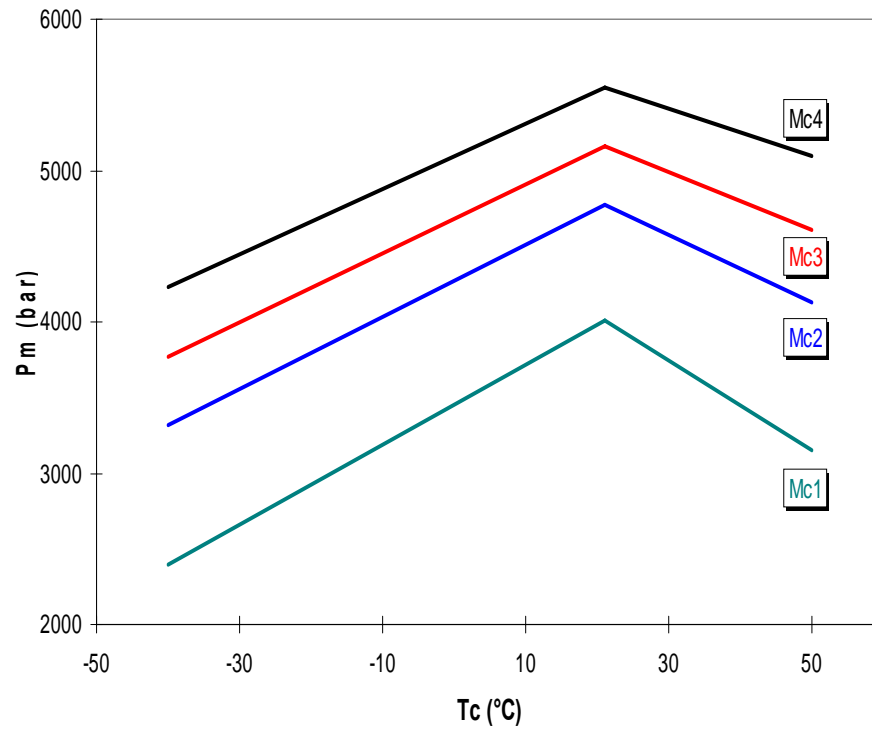
from -40 °C till +50 °C



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40 mm Gun Firing Tests

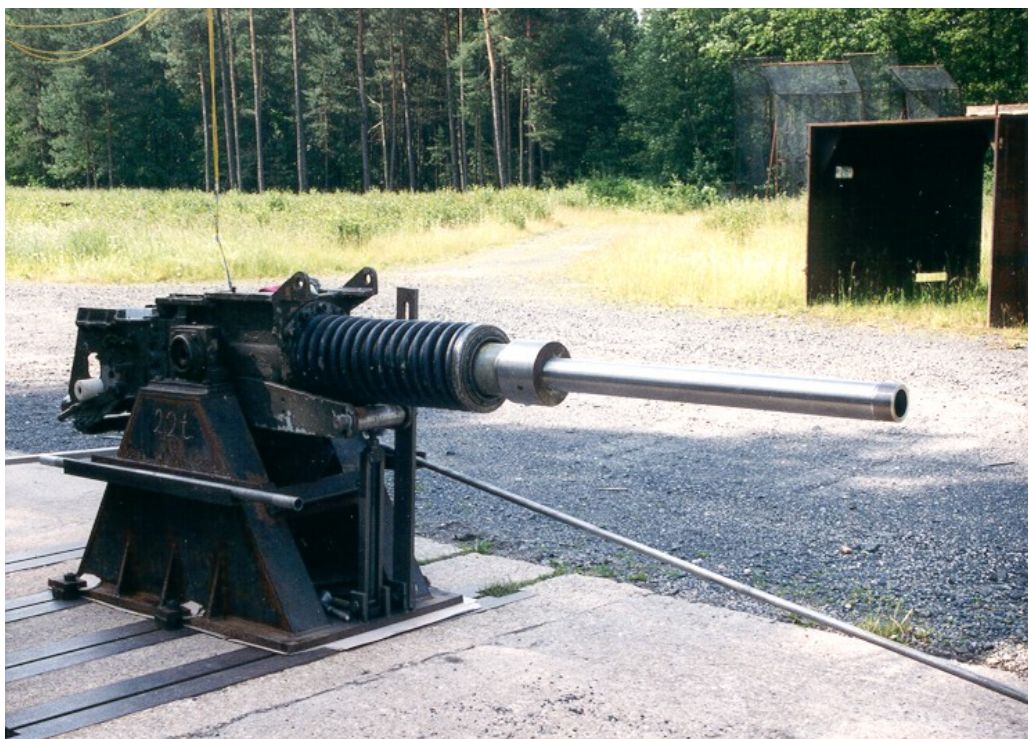
Temperature behaviour unaffected by loading density and pressure level



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75 mm Scale model gun derived from 120 mm tank gun

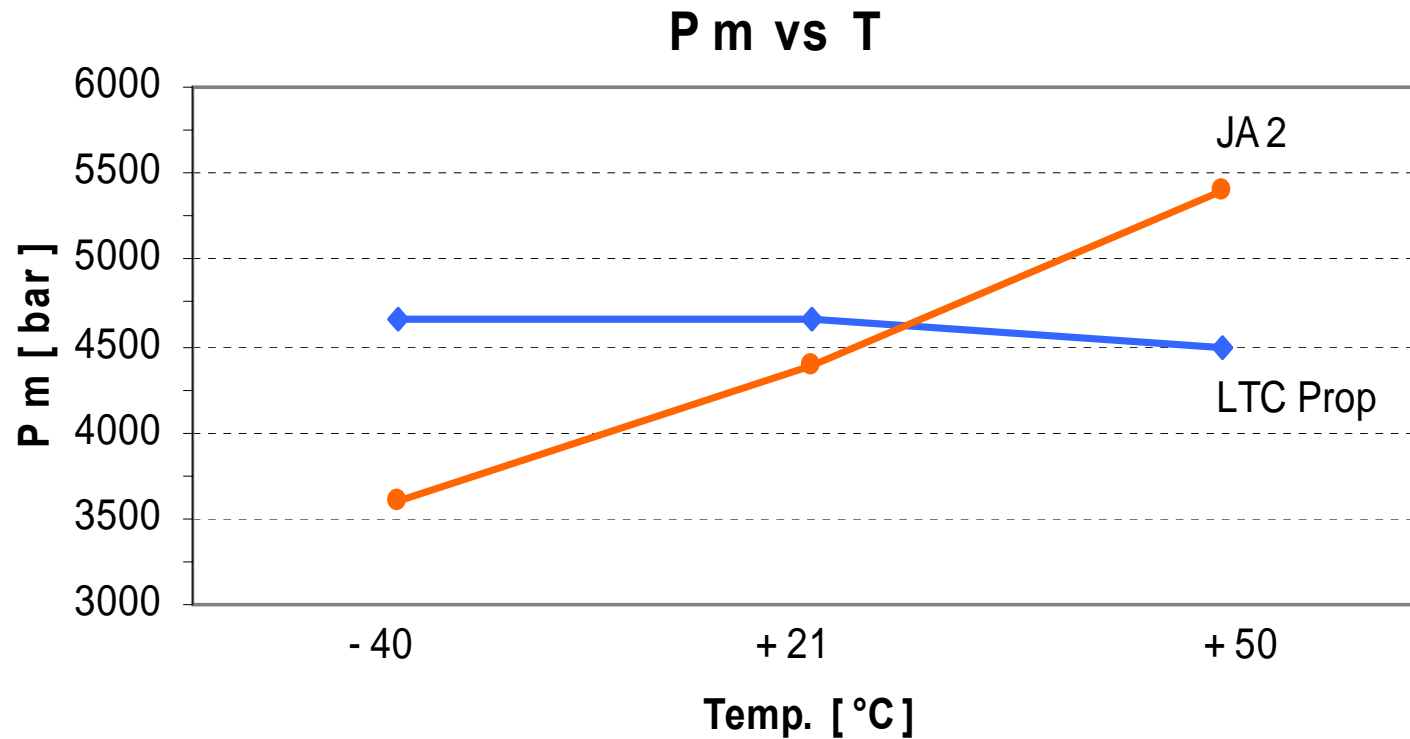
- ◆ based on interior ballistic similiary laws
- ◆ less cost (combustible paper case, less propellant mass)



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Test Firing in 75 mm cal. Model Gun

Optimized Propellant for firing at 21°C
Gaspressure vs Temp.



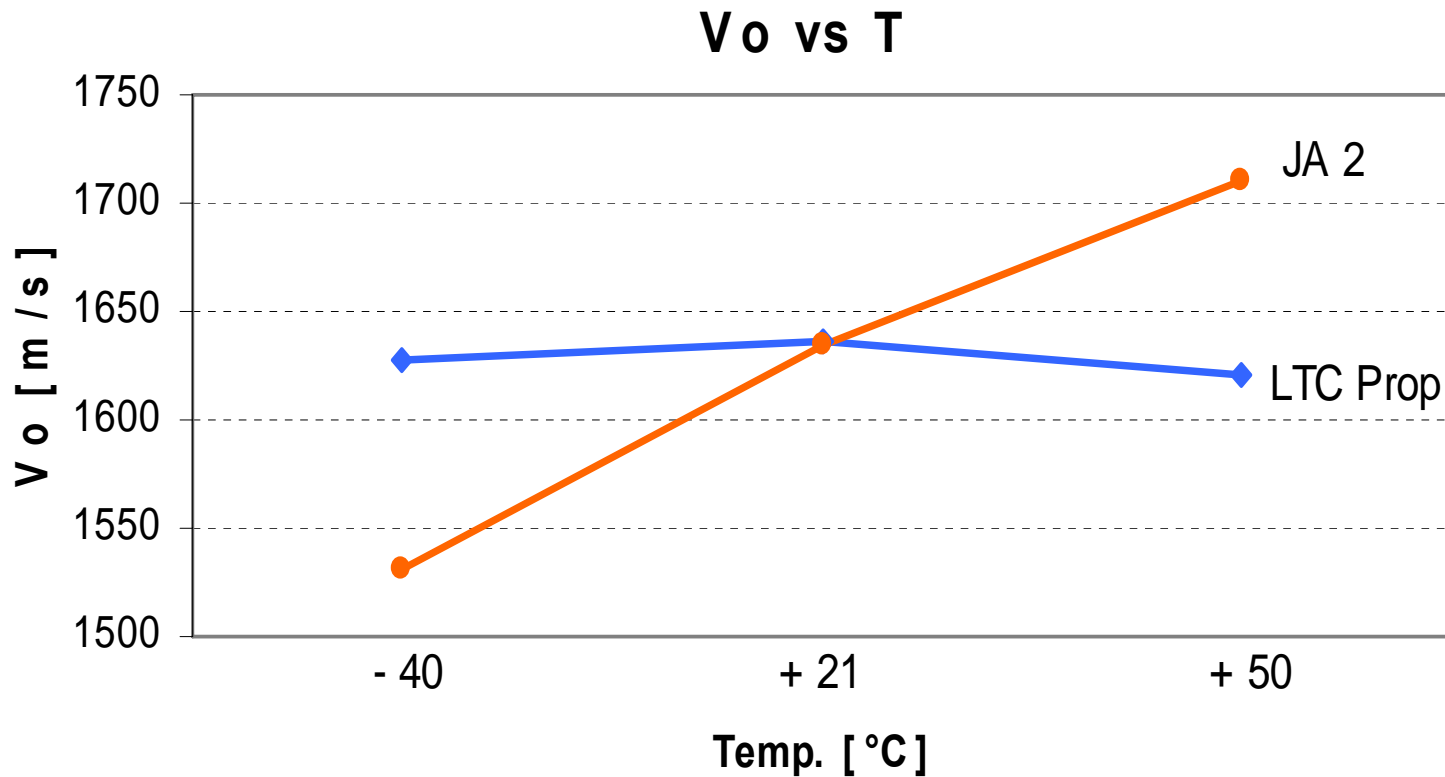
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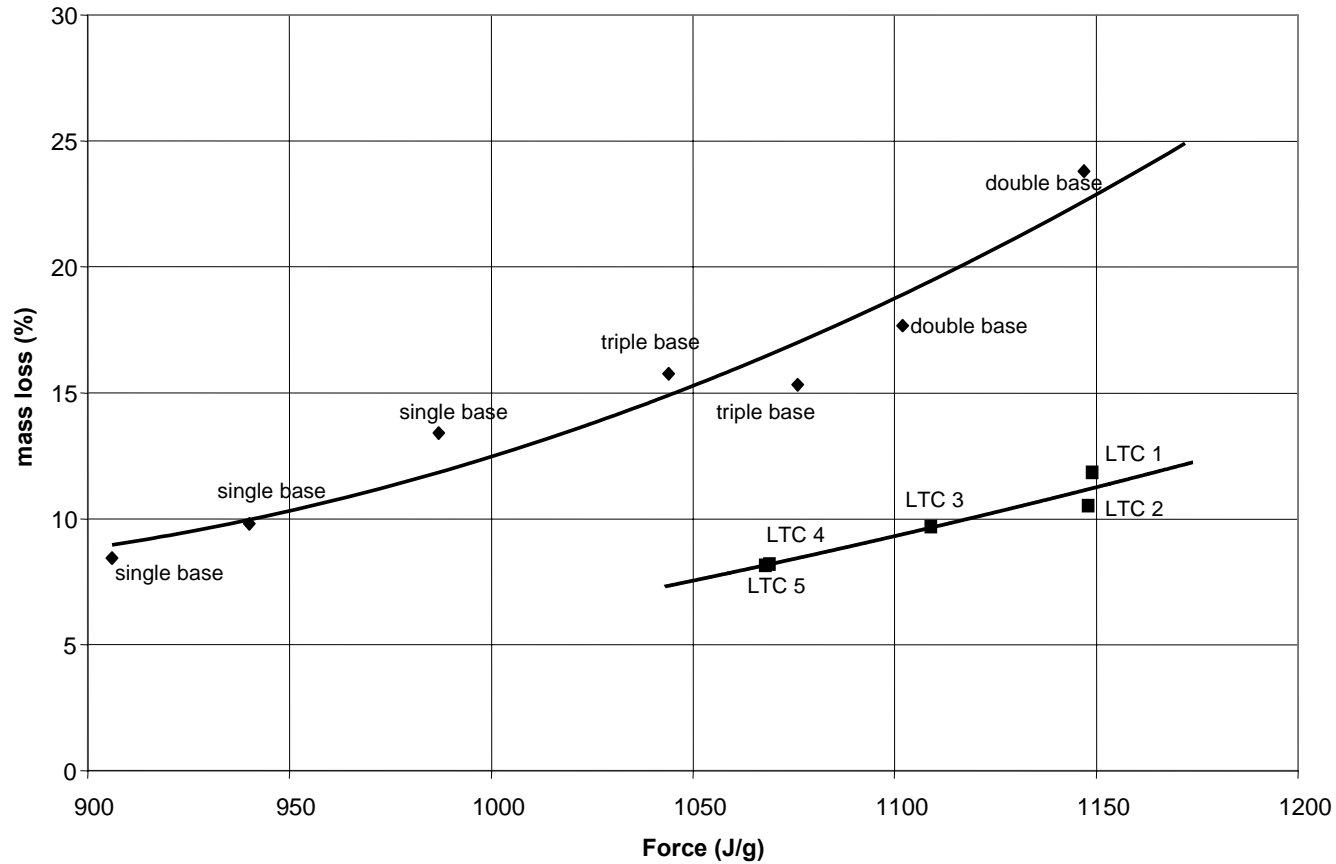
Optimized Propellant for firing at 21°C

Muzzle velocity vs Temp.

Muzzle velocity of LTC Propellant same at 21°C like JA2



Erosivity of LTC - Propellants and Conventional Propellants



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Results & Conclusion

- ◆ **DNDA - Propellants (LTC) for a wide Caliber - Range**
- ◆ **High Cook - Off Temperature ≥ 205 °C**
- ◆ **High Selfignition Temperature > 210 °C**
- ◆ **Less Sensitive (Shaped Charge Test etc.)**
- ◆ **Excellent Longterm Stability**
- ◆ **Low Barrel Erosion**
- ◆ **Easily to Ignite by Pyrotech.**