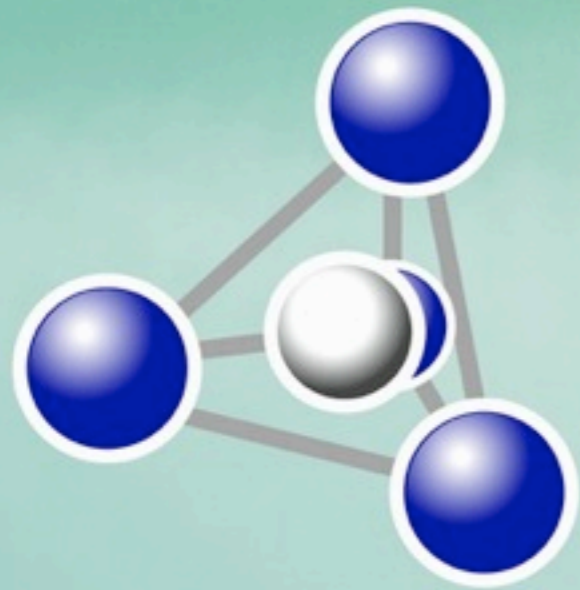




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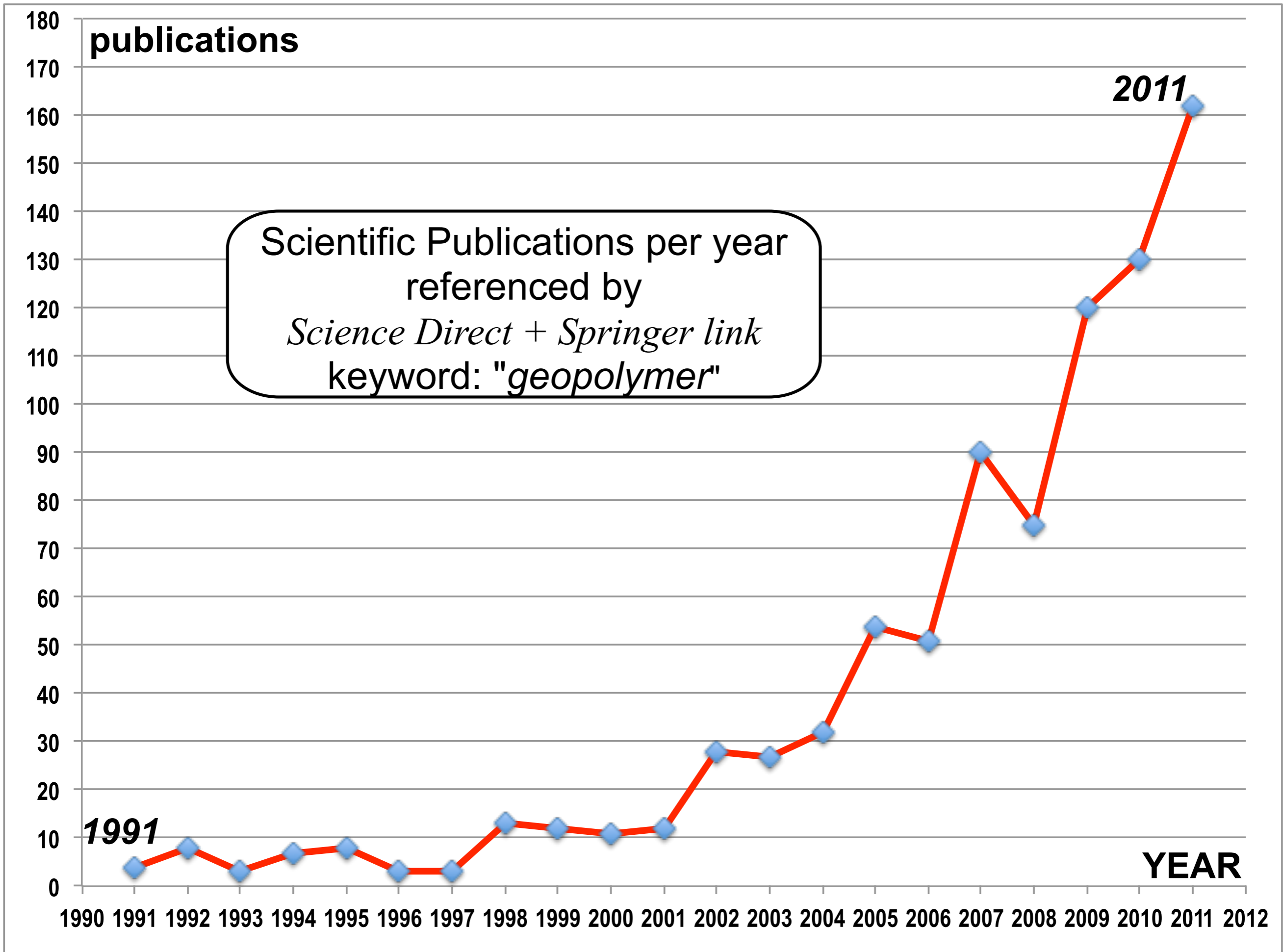
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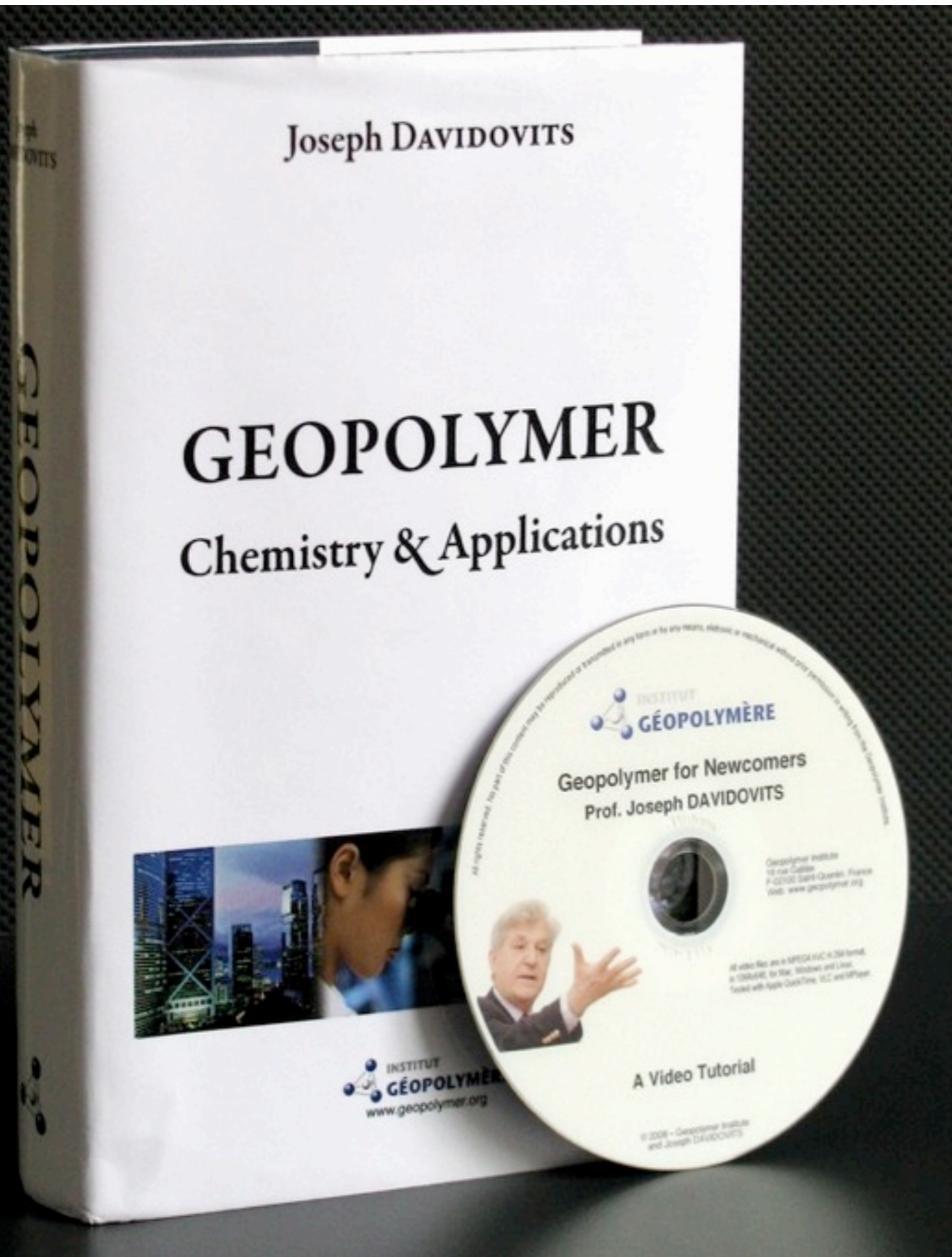
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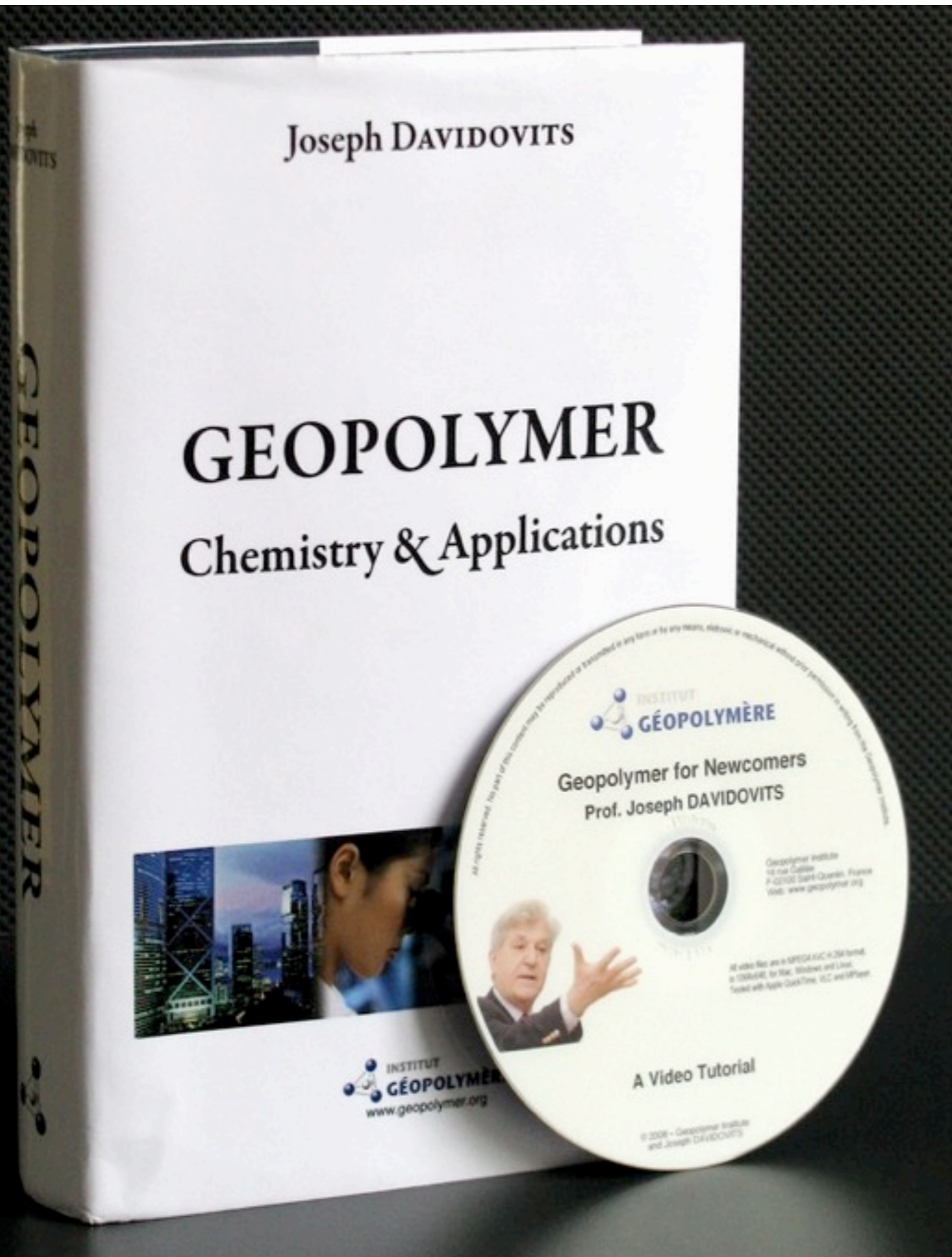


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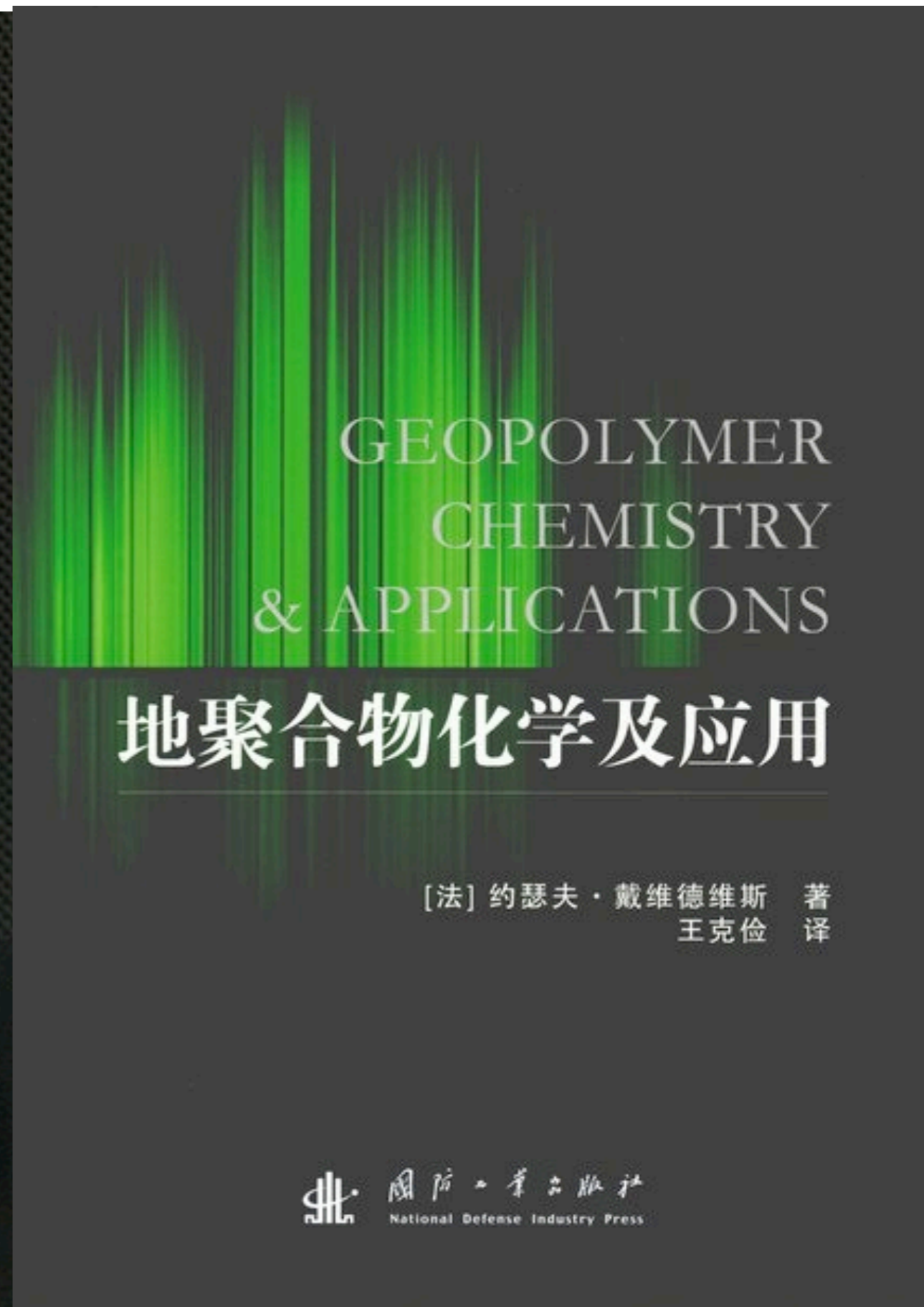
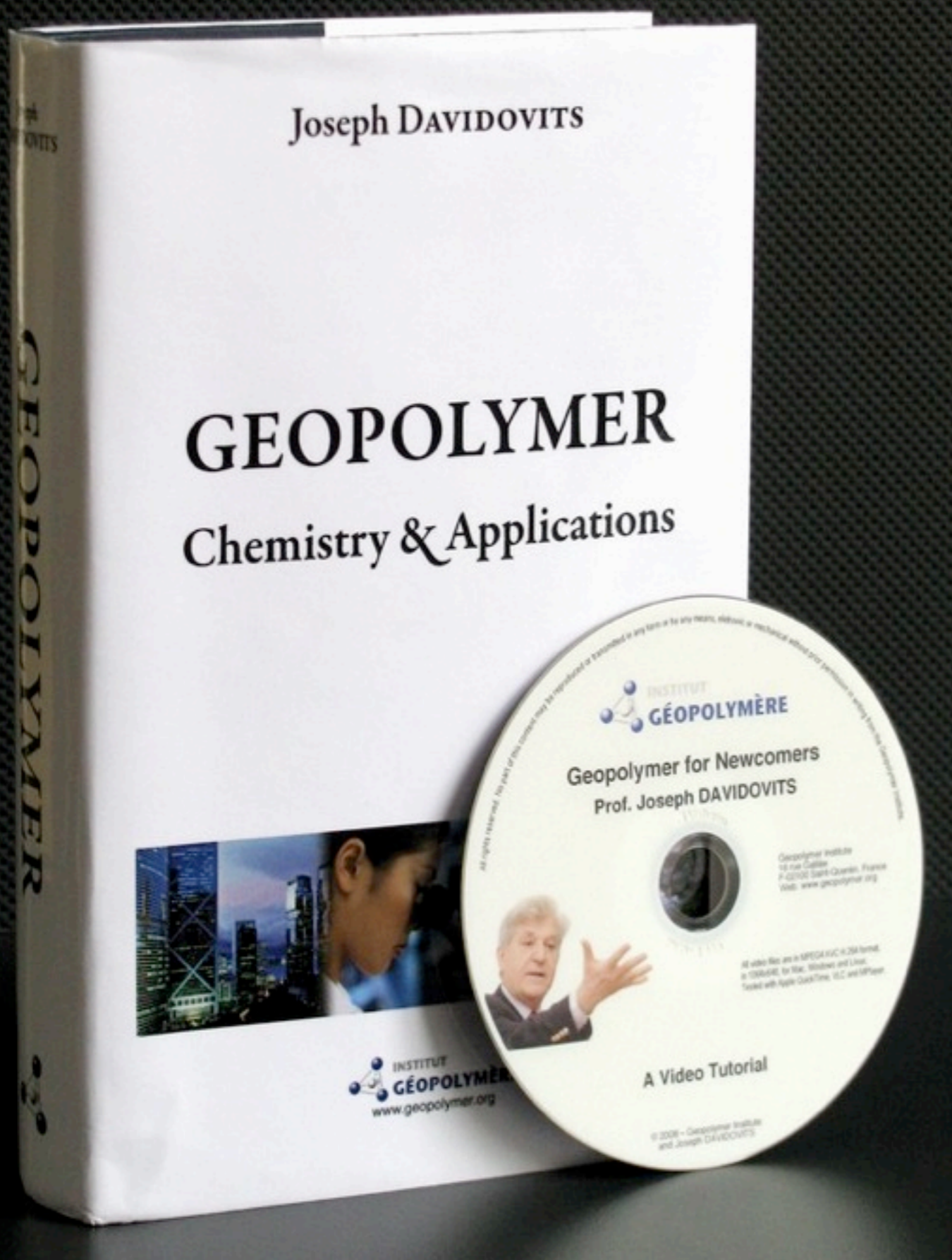


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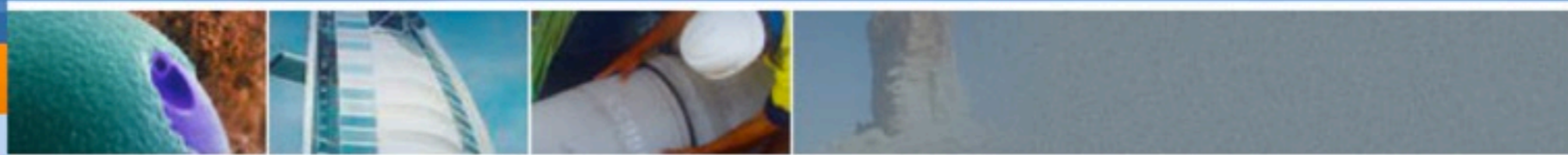
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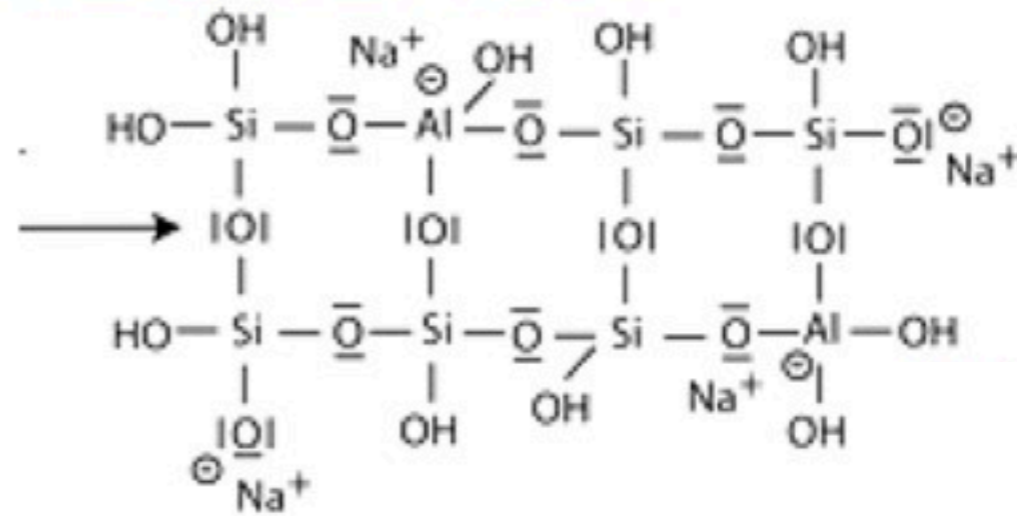
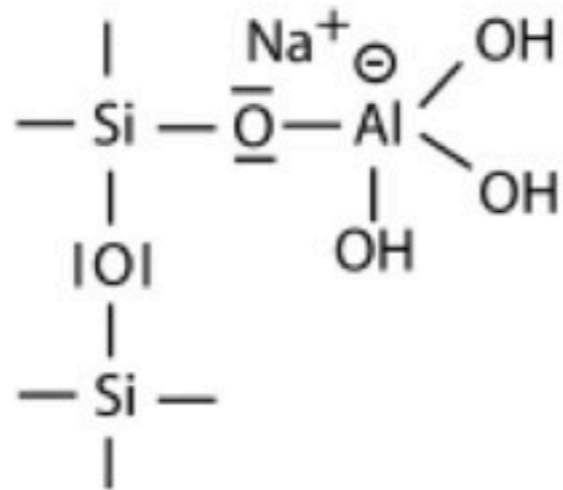
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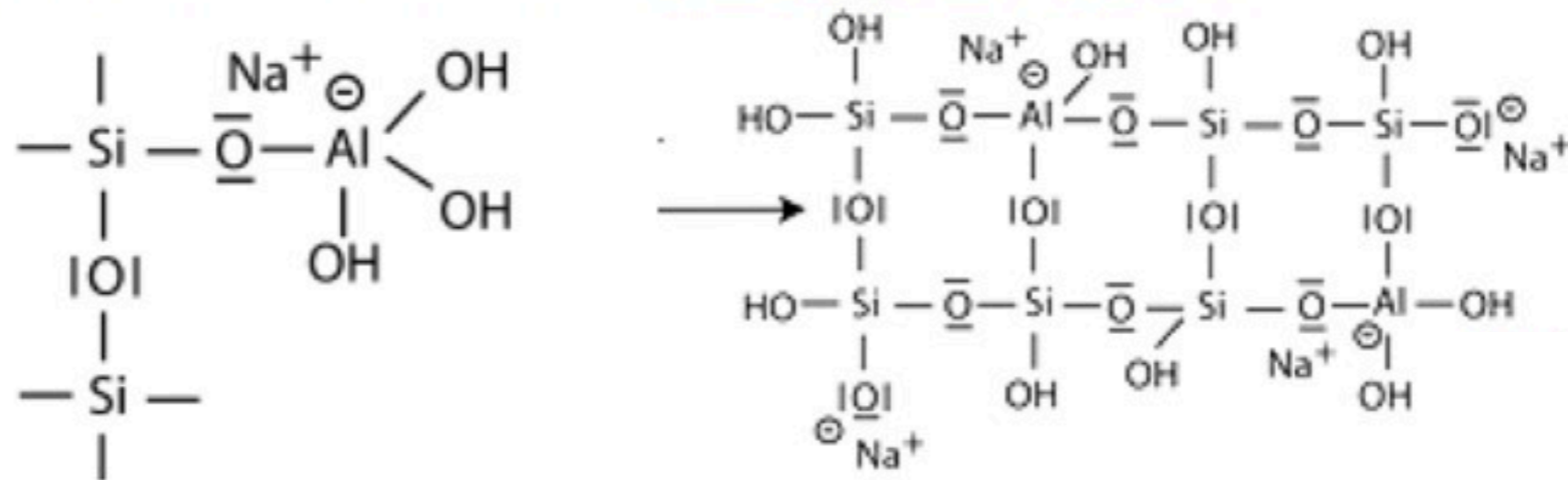
....**To date** this shift has not been well accepted by practitioners in the field of alkali activated cements who still tend to explain such reaction chemistry in portland cement terminology.

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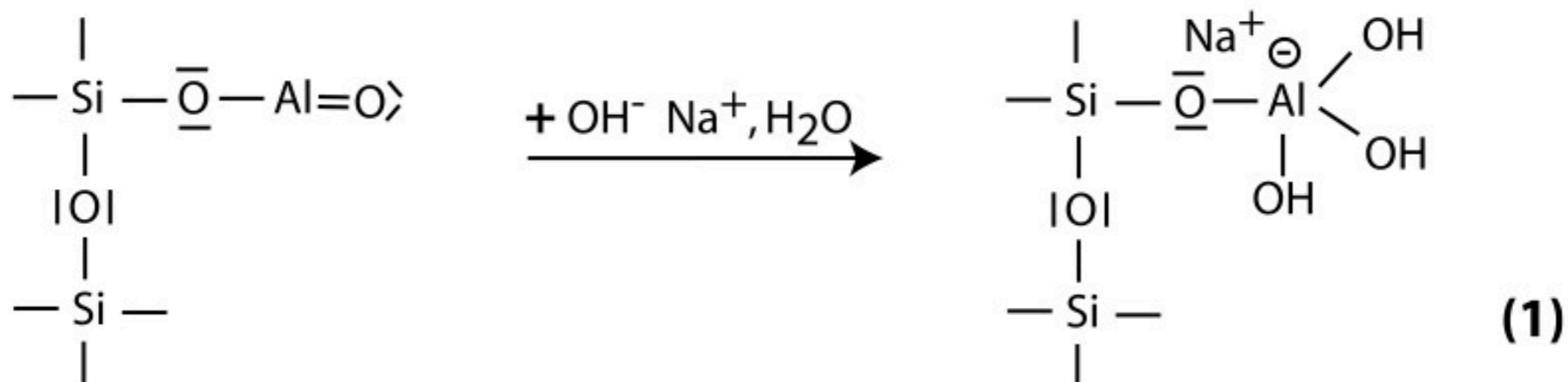
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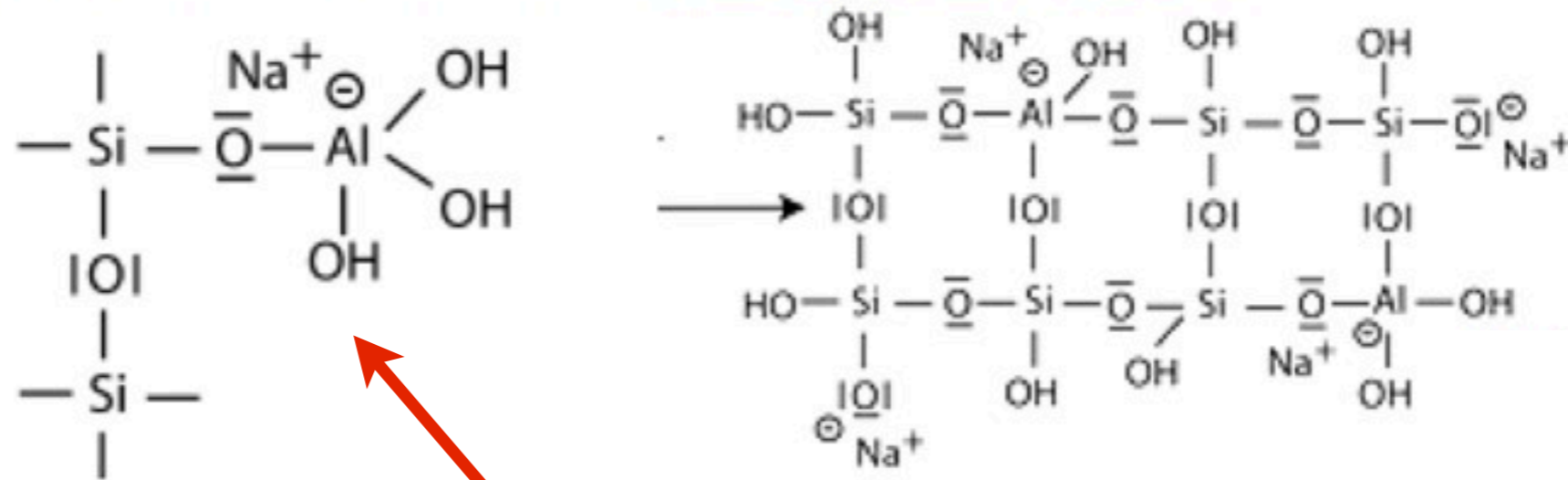
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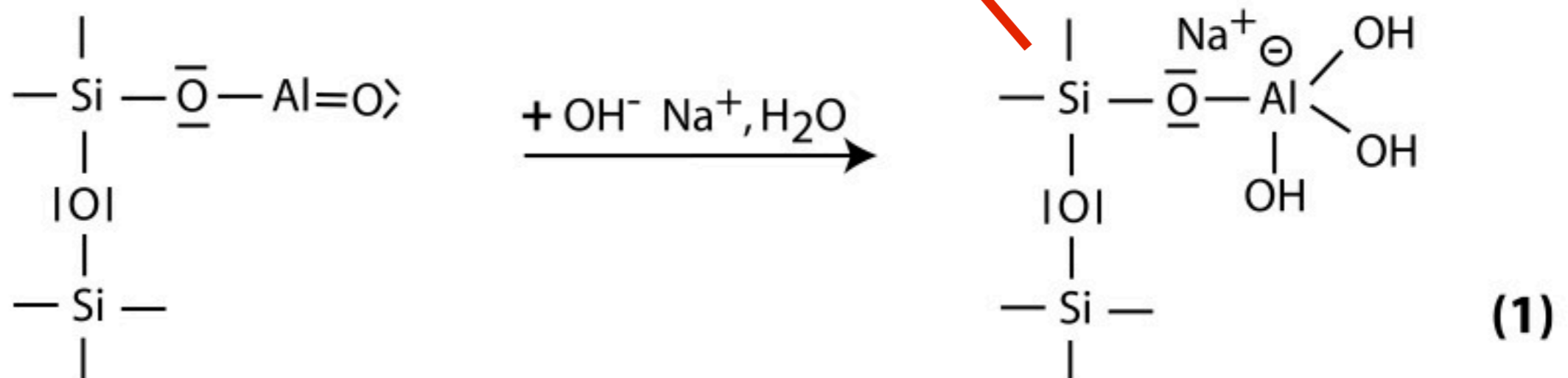
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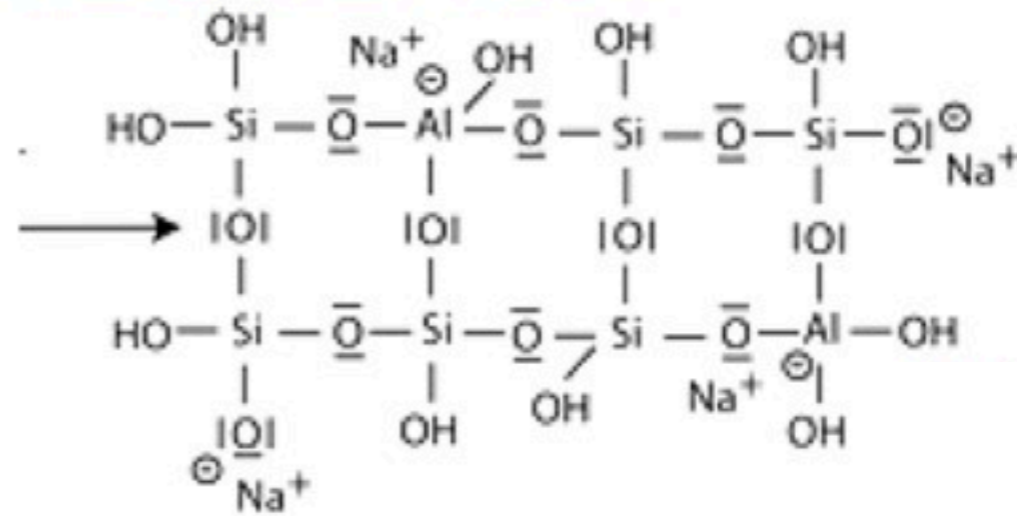
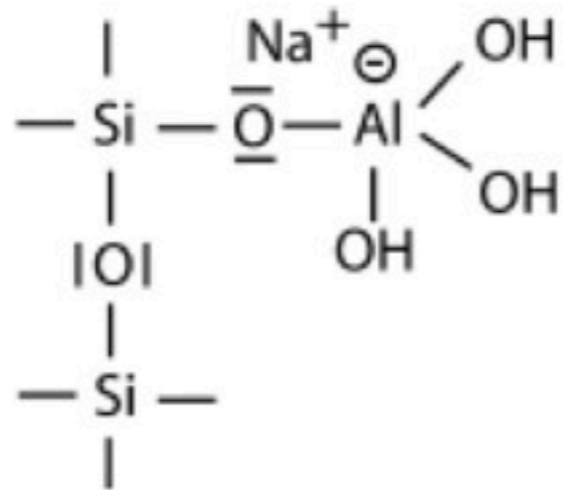
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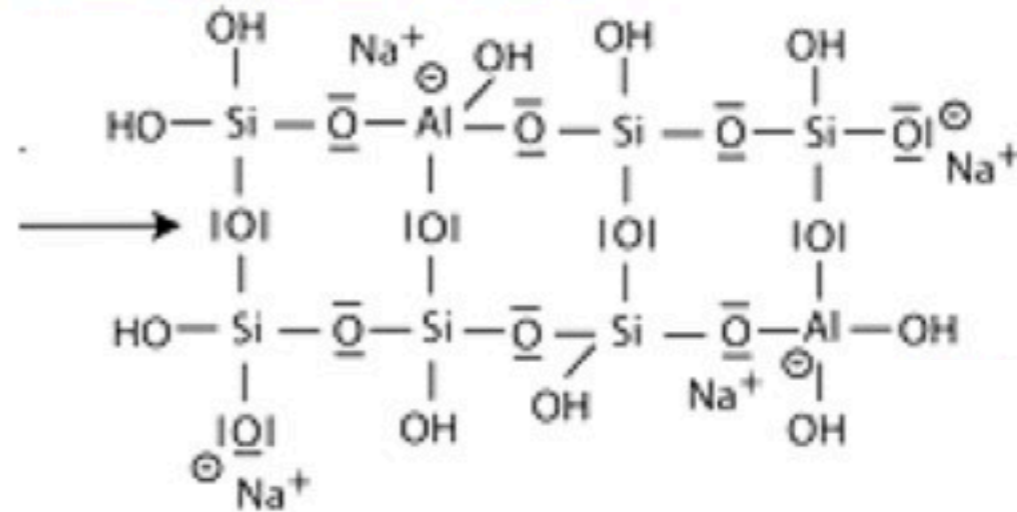
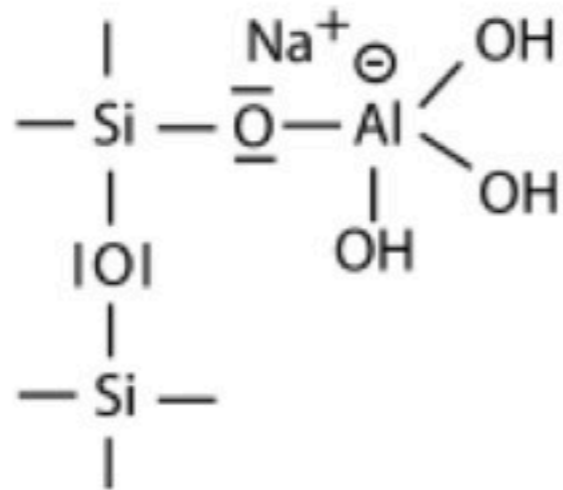
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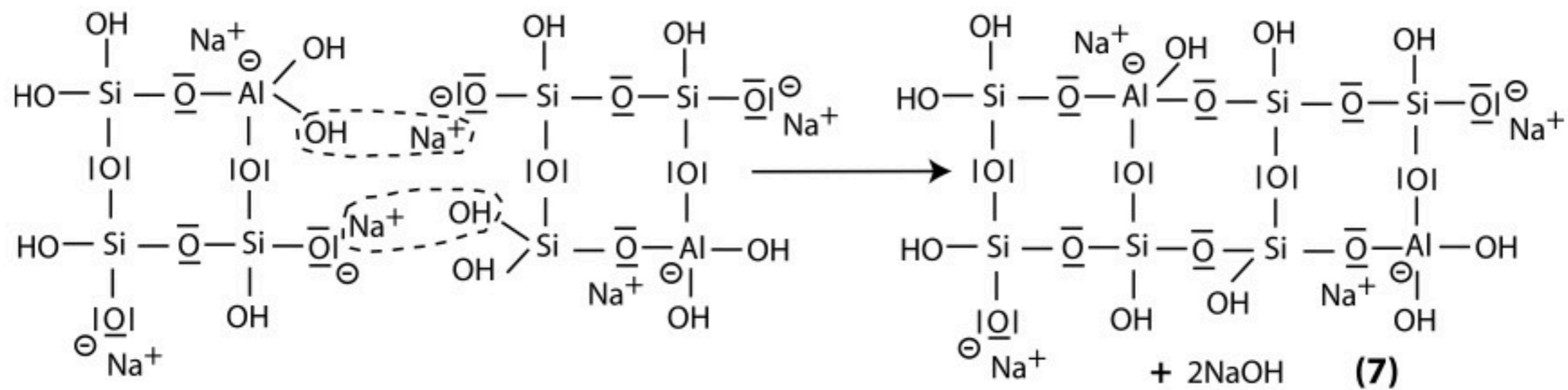
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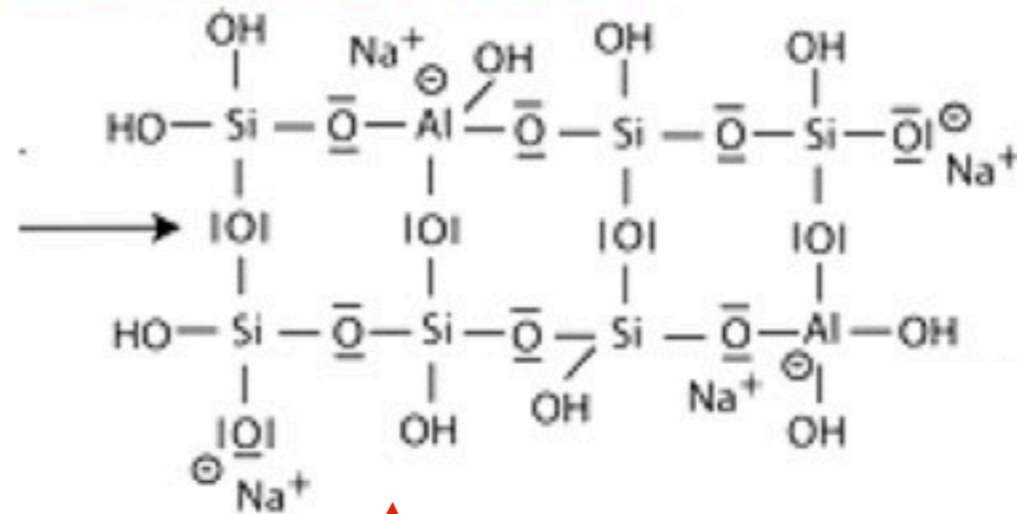
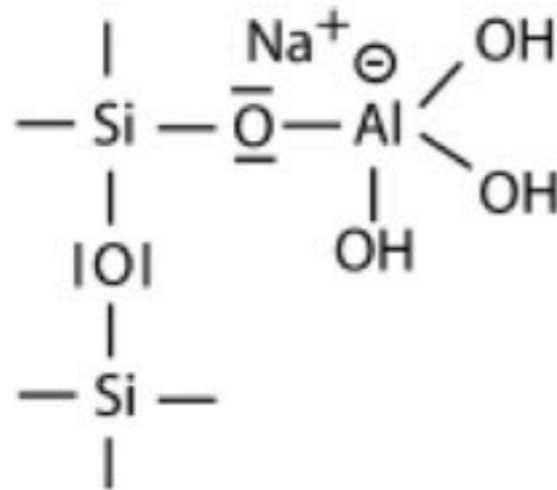


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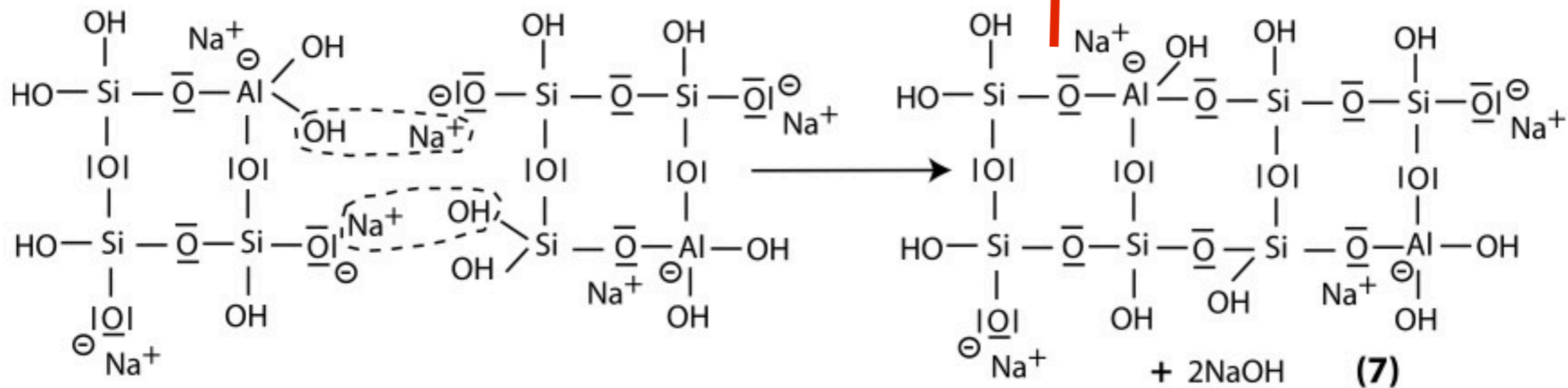




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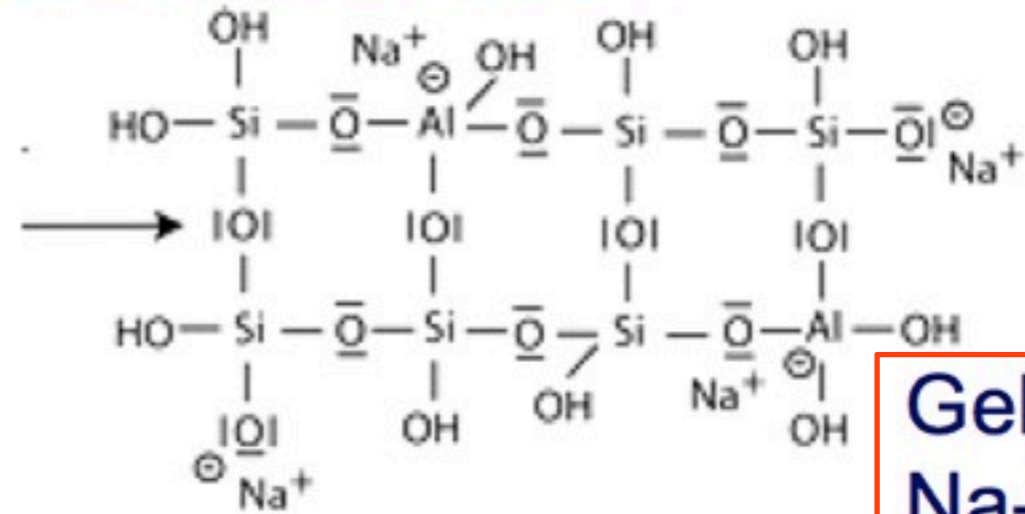
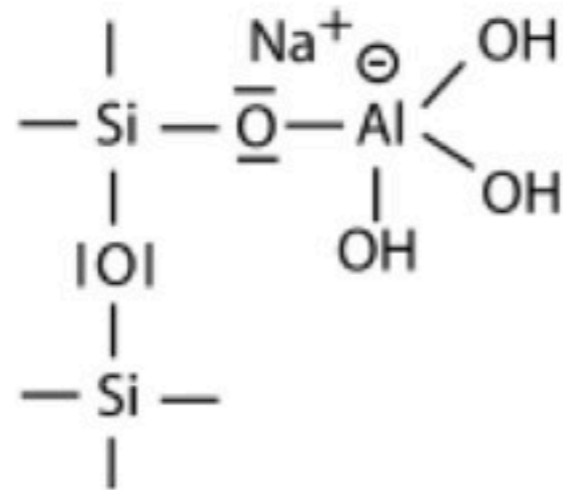


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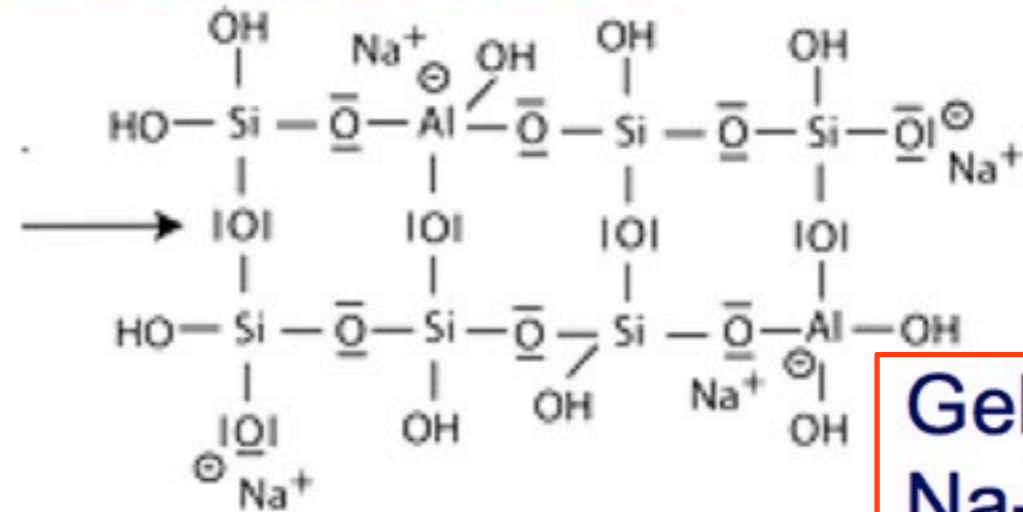
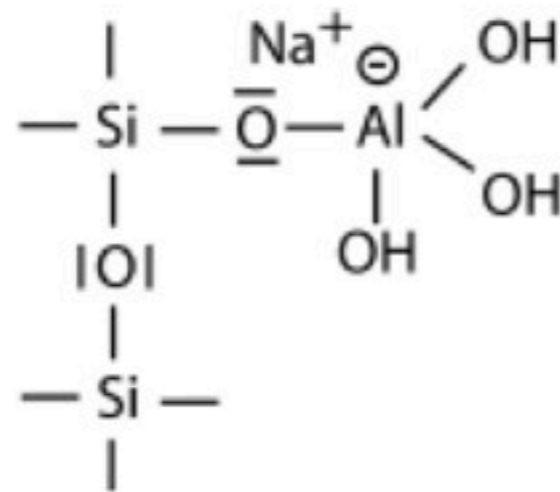
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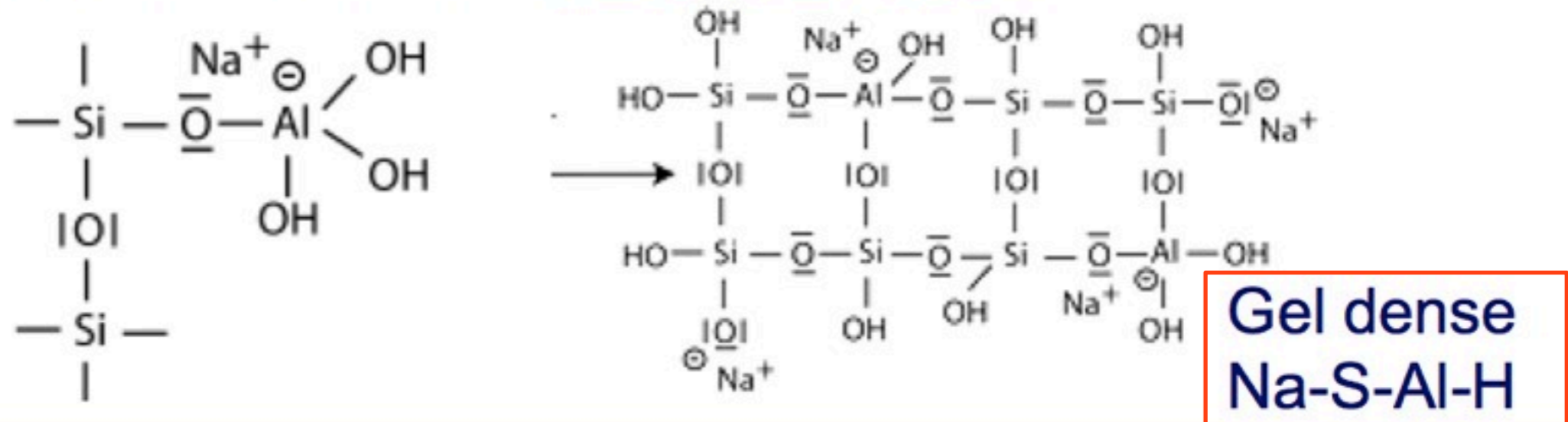


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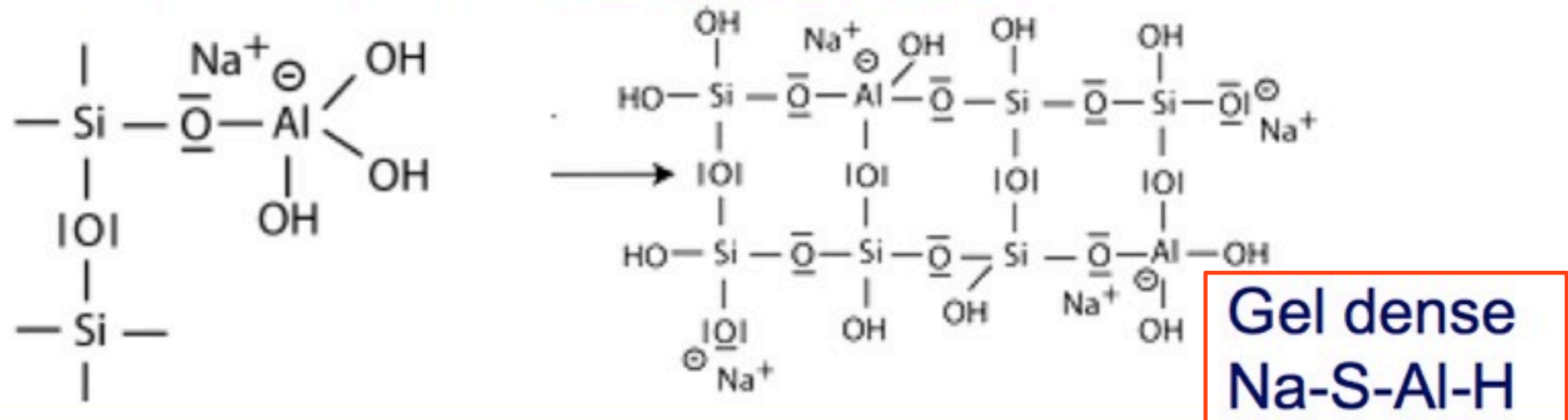


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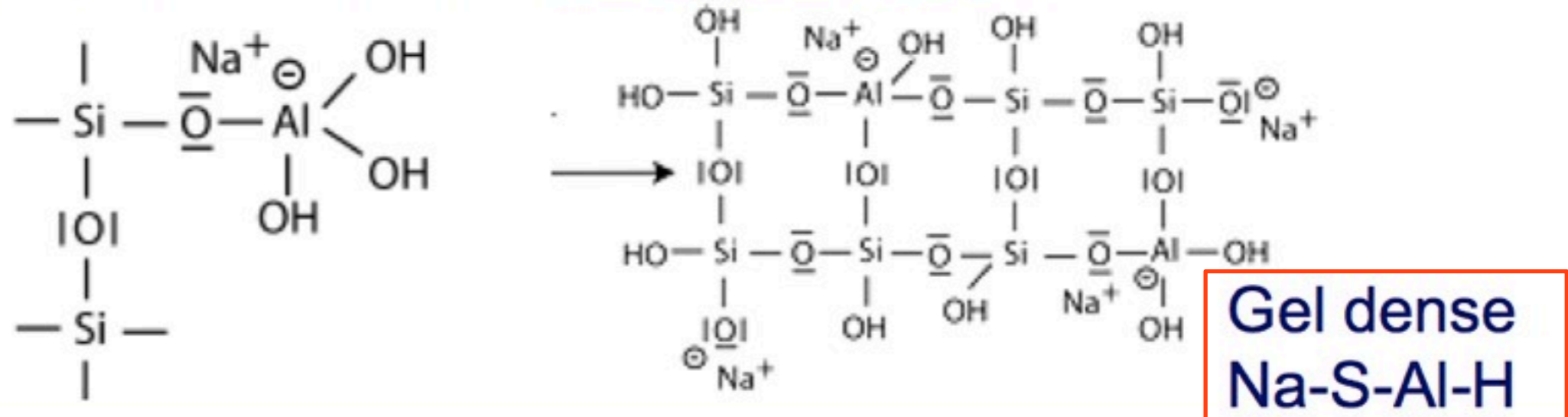
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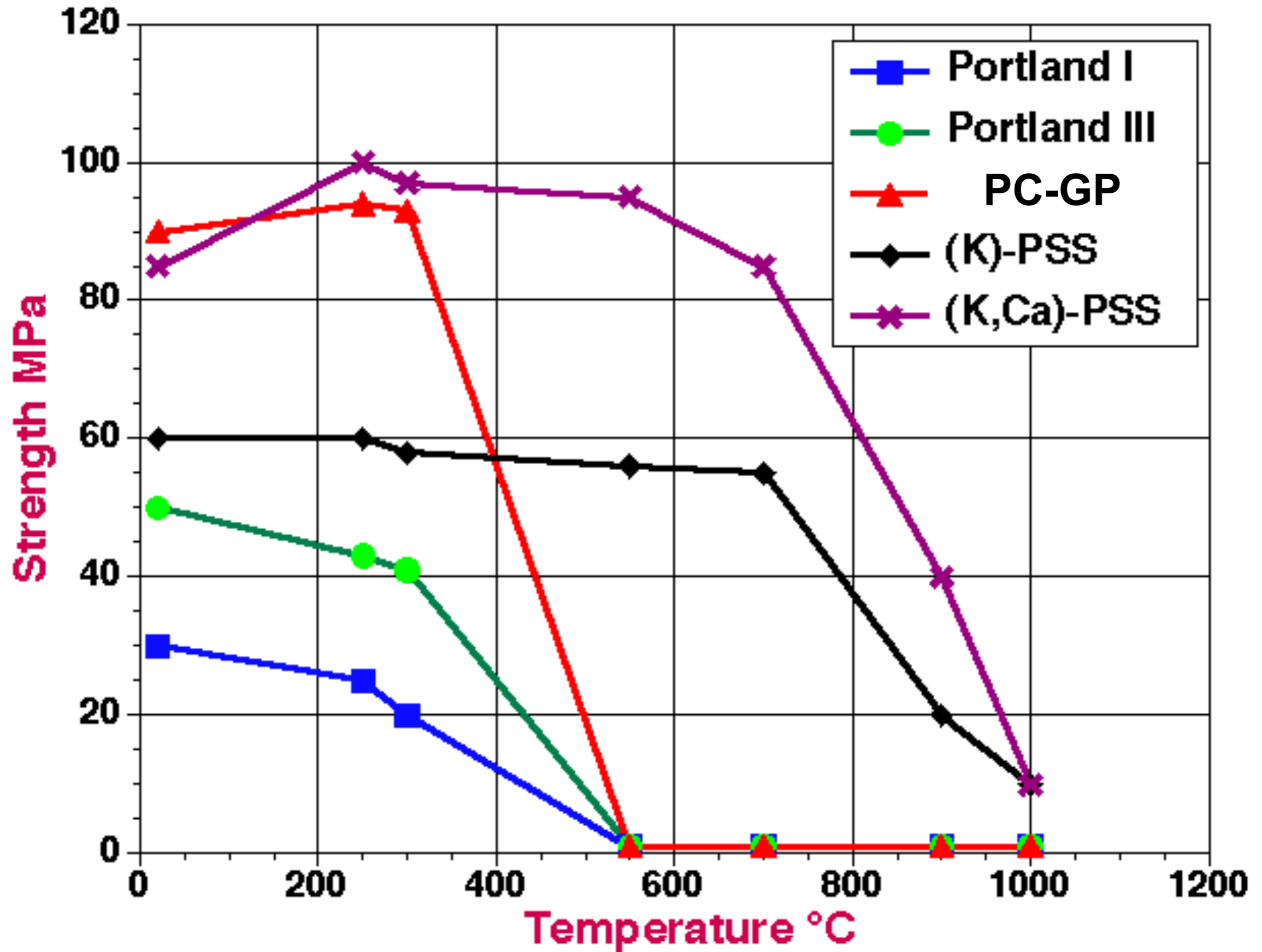
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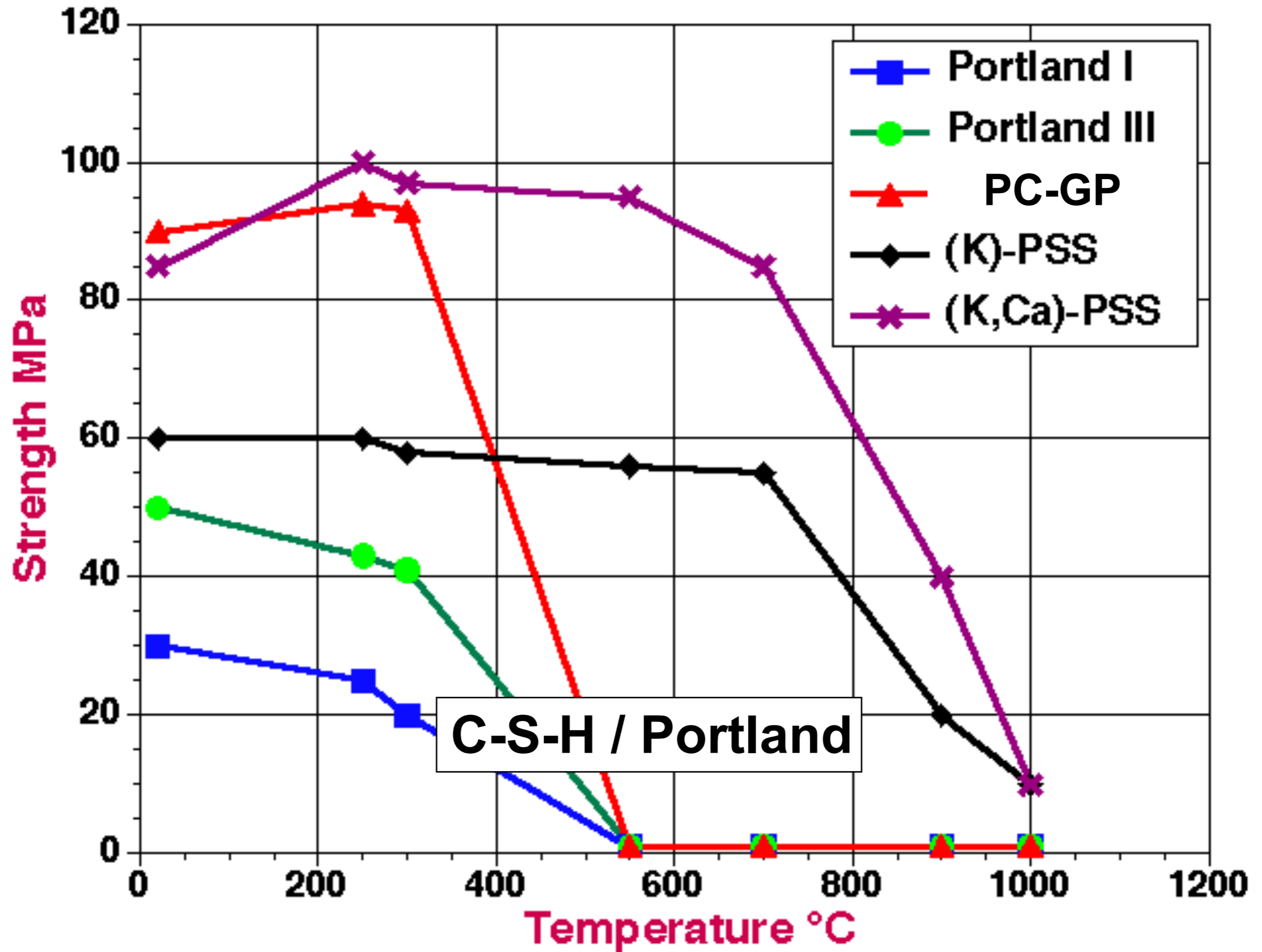
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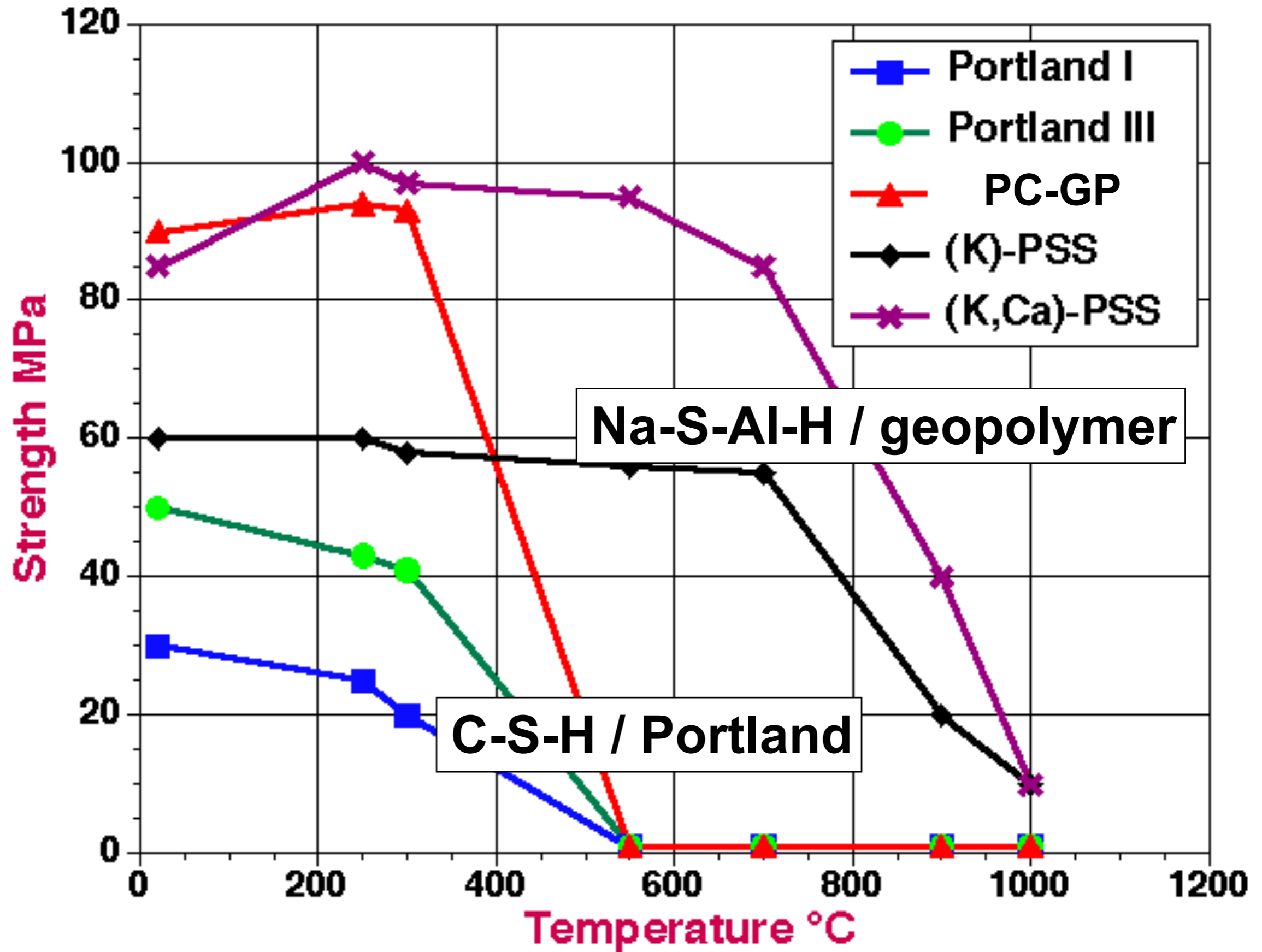


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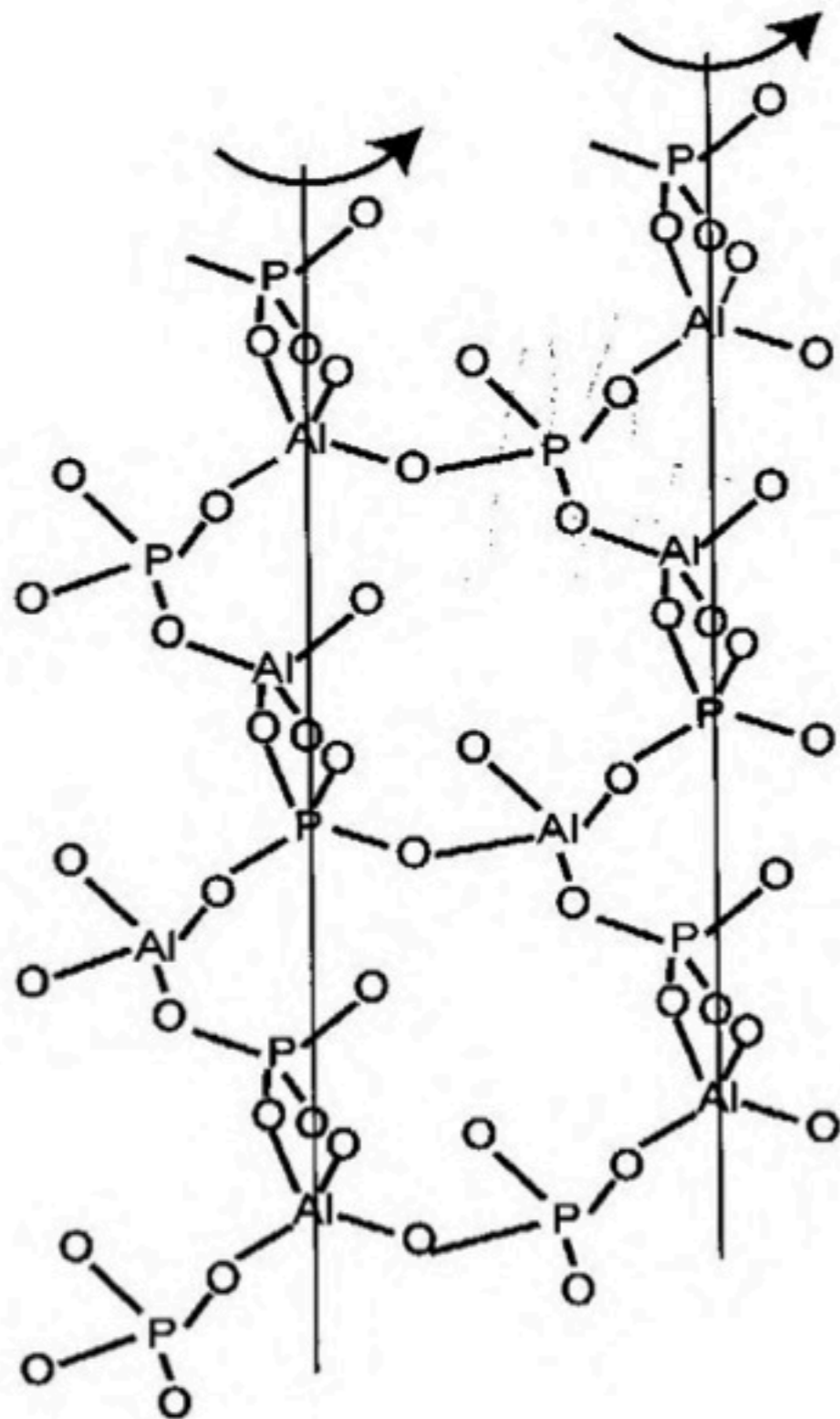
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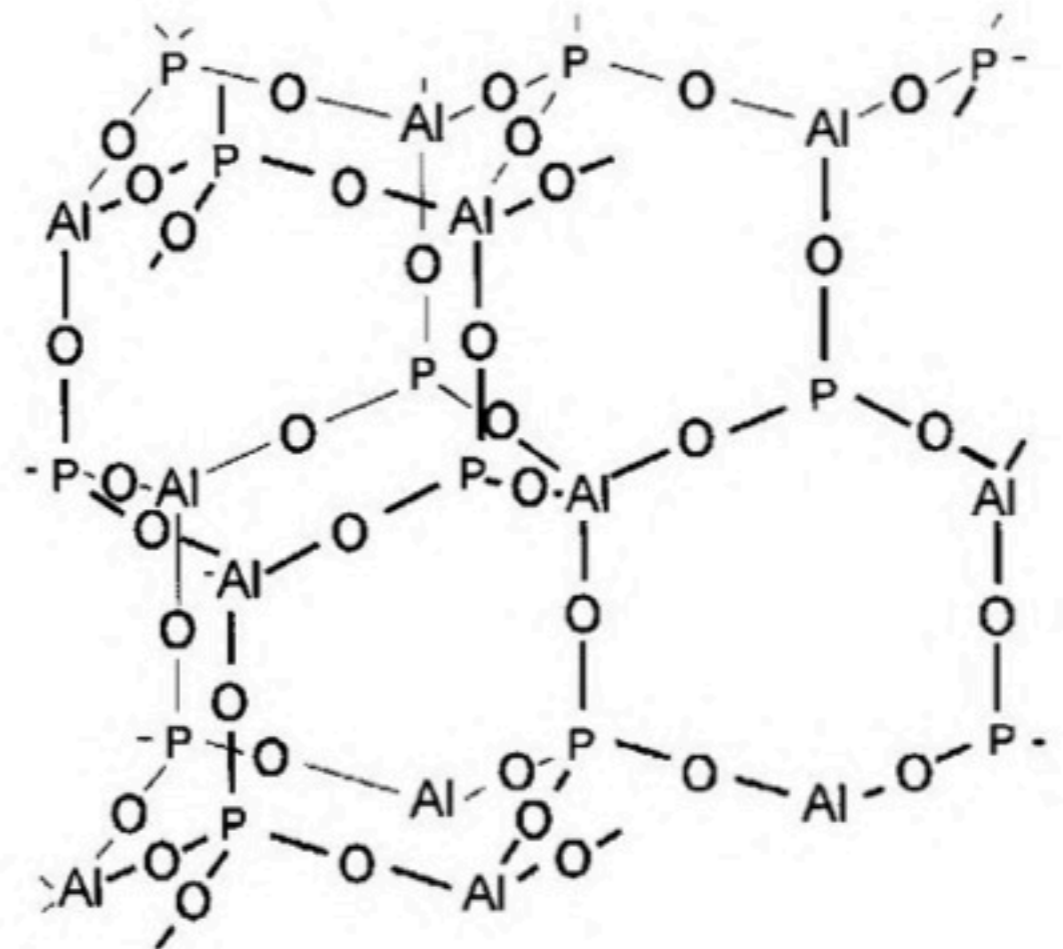
**AlPO<sub>4</sub>-based geopolymer**

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**$\text{AlPO}_4$ -berlinite (isostructural to quartz)**

⇒ Cross-linked (P-O-Al-O)<sub>n</sub>  
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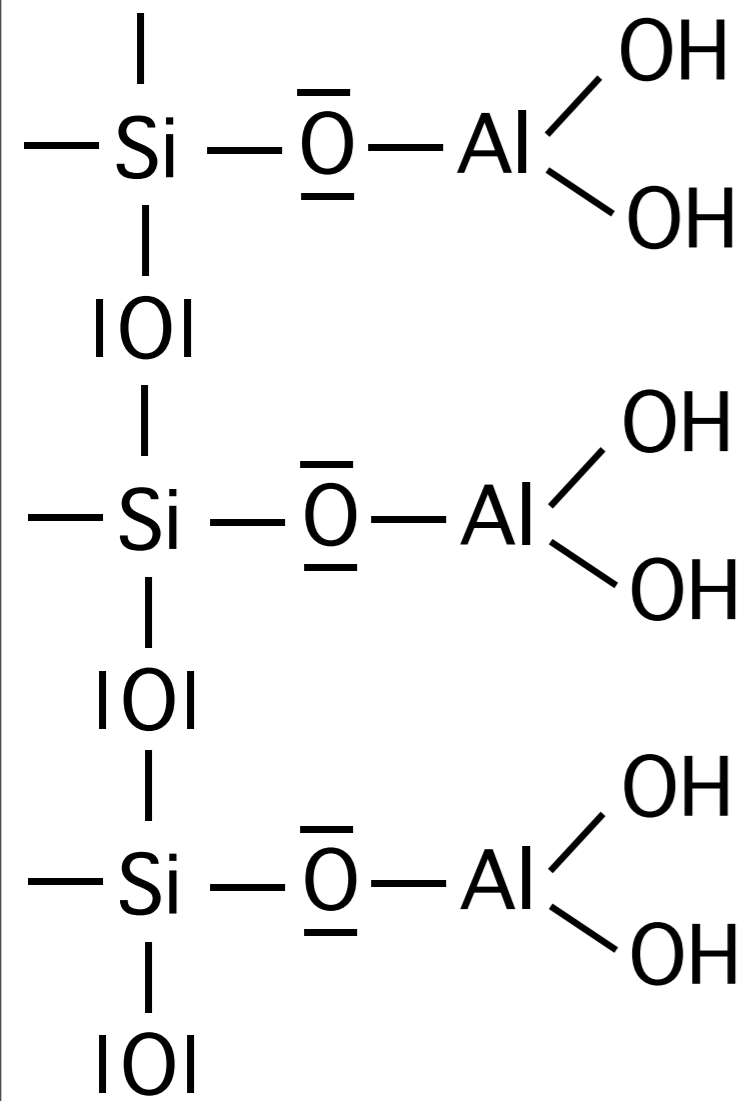
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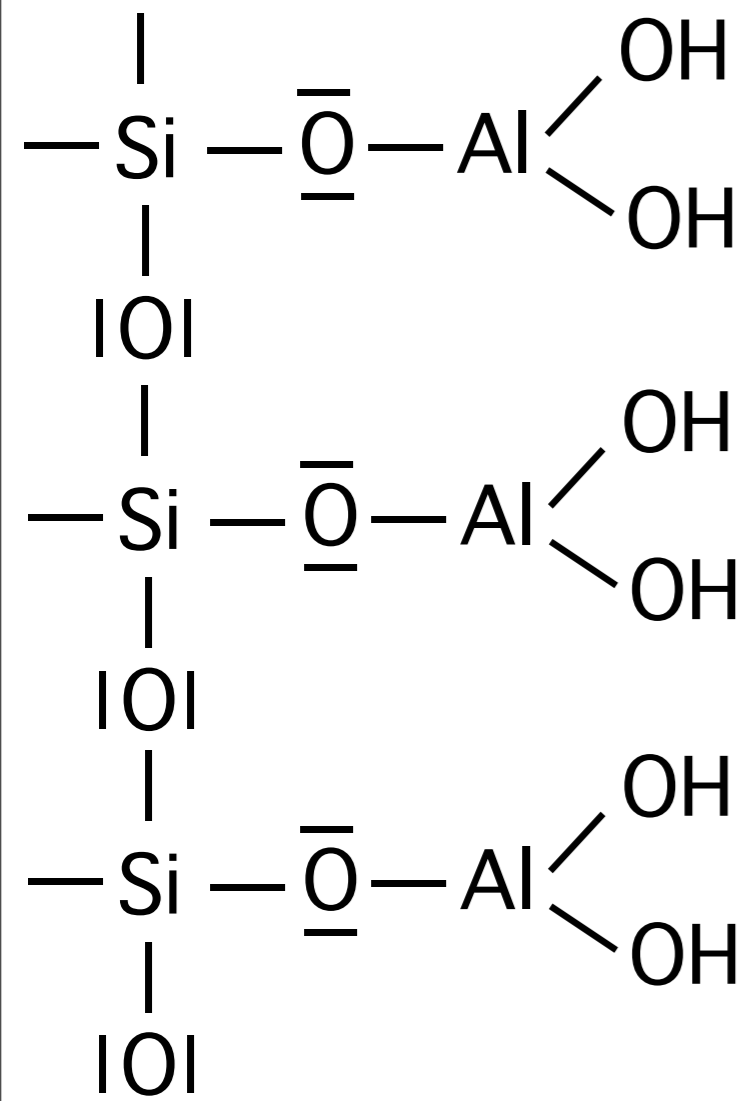
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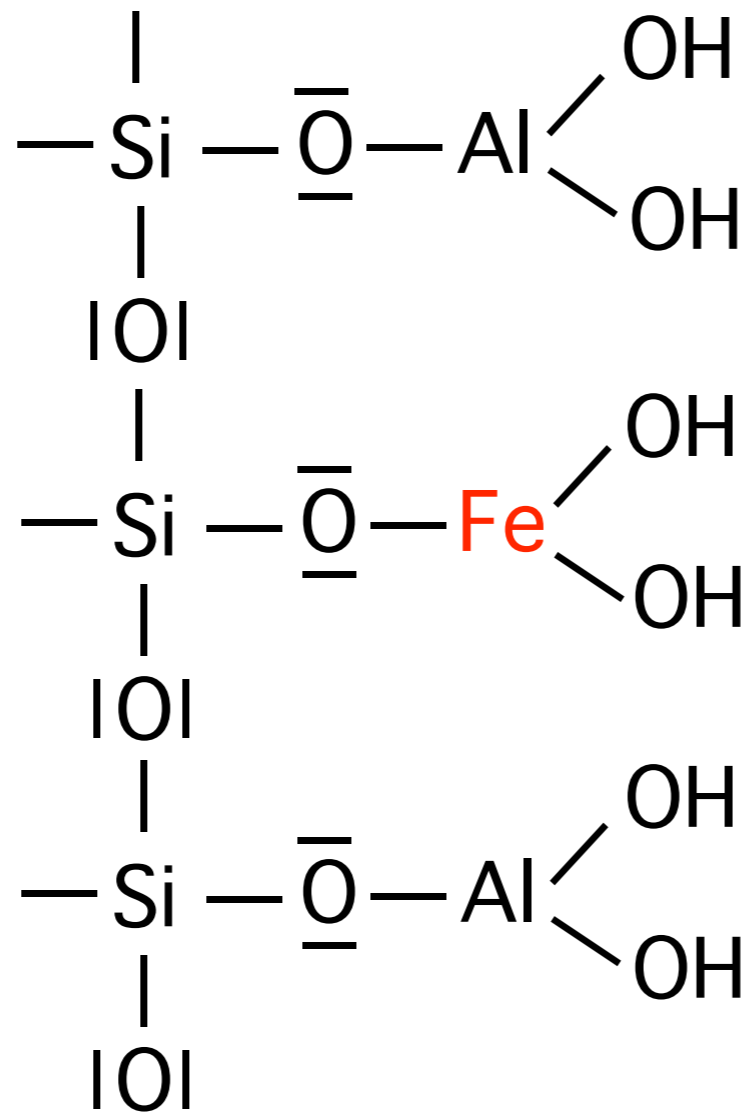
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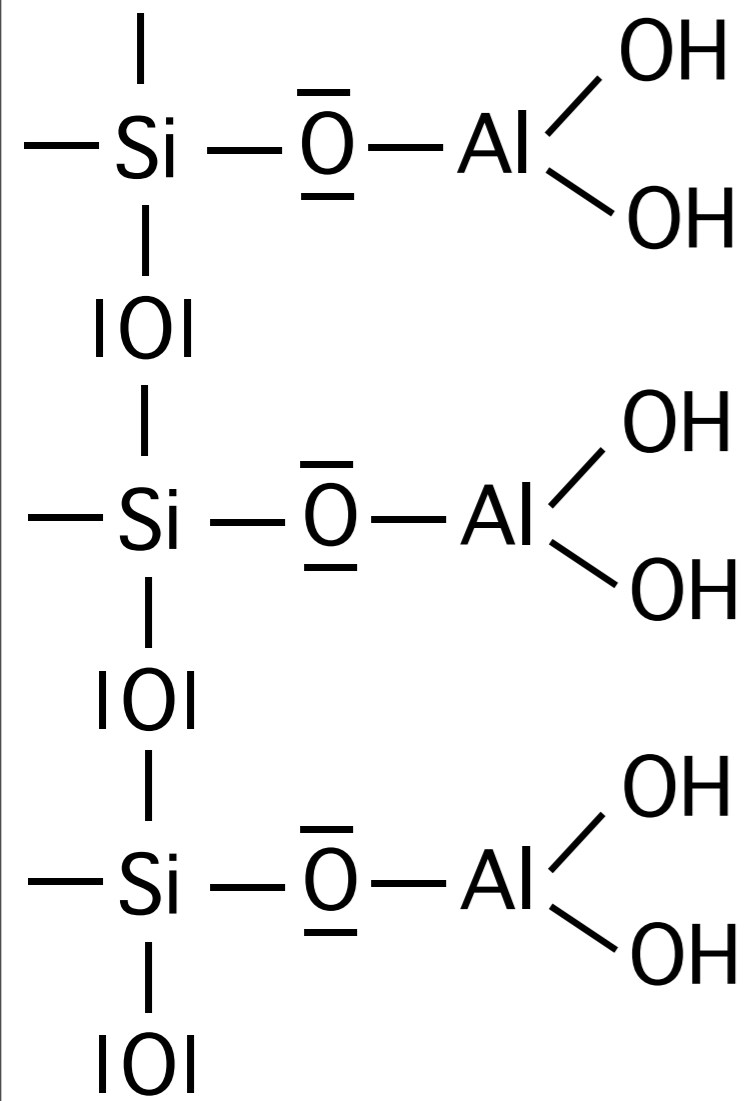
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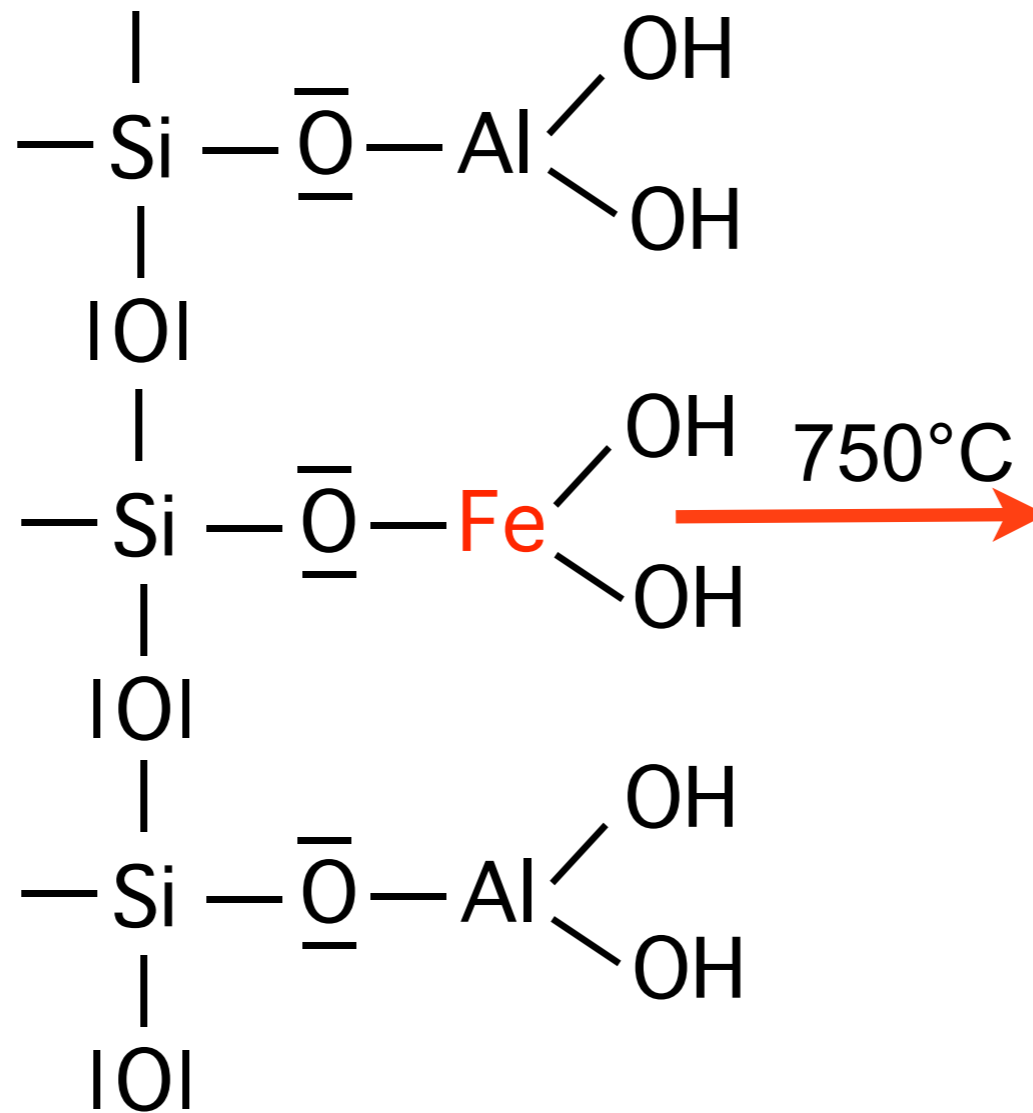
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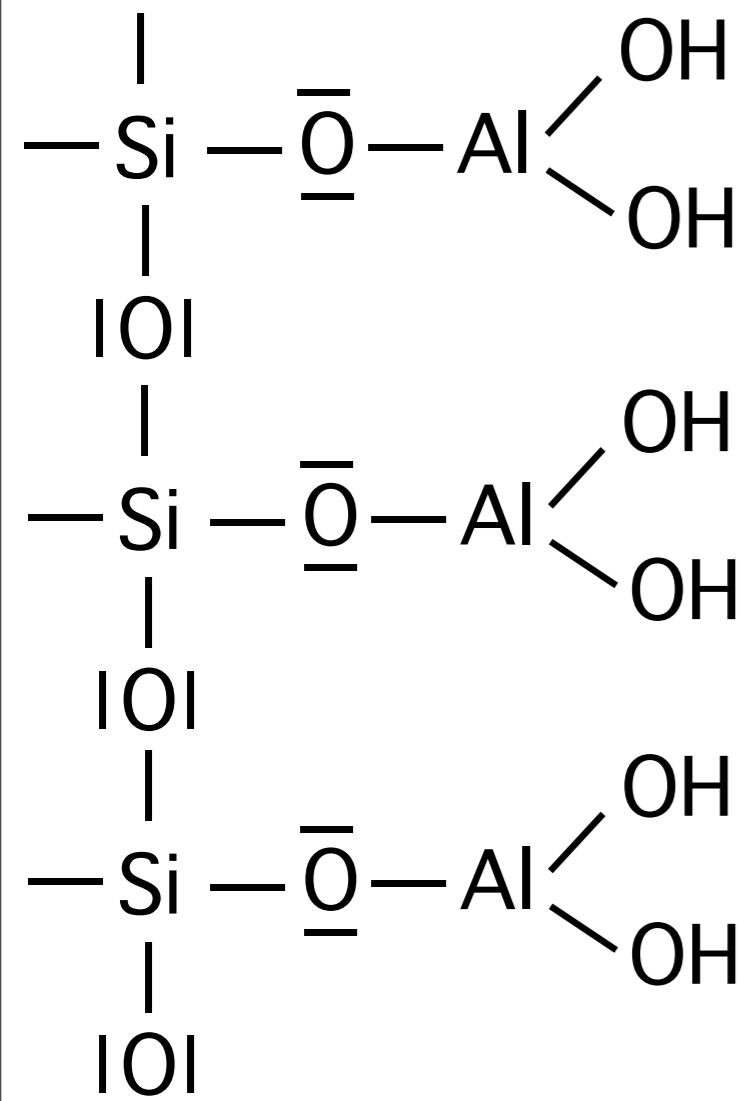
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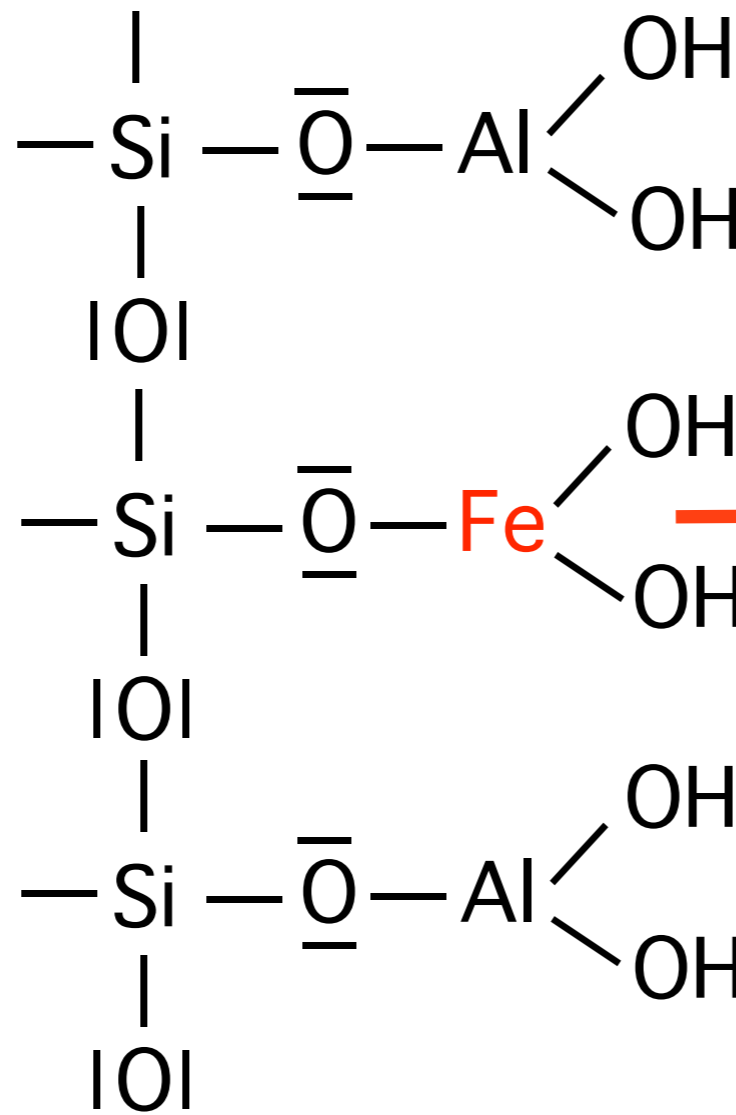
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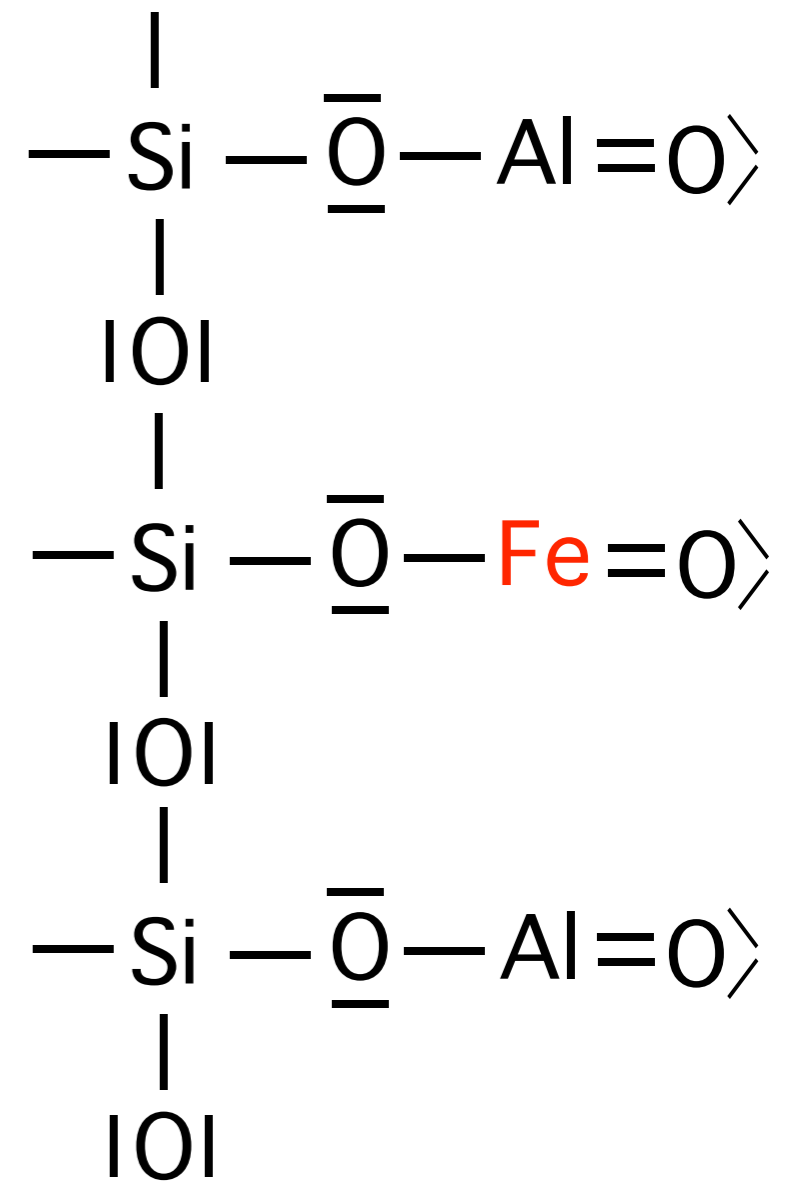


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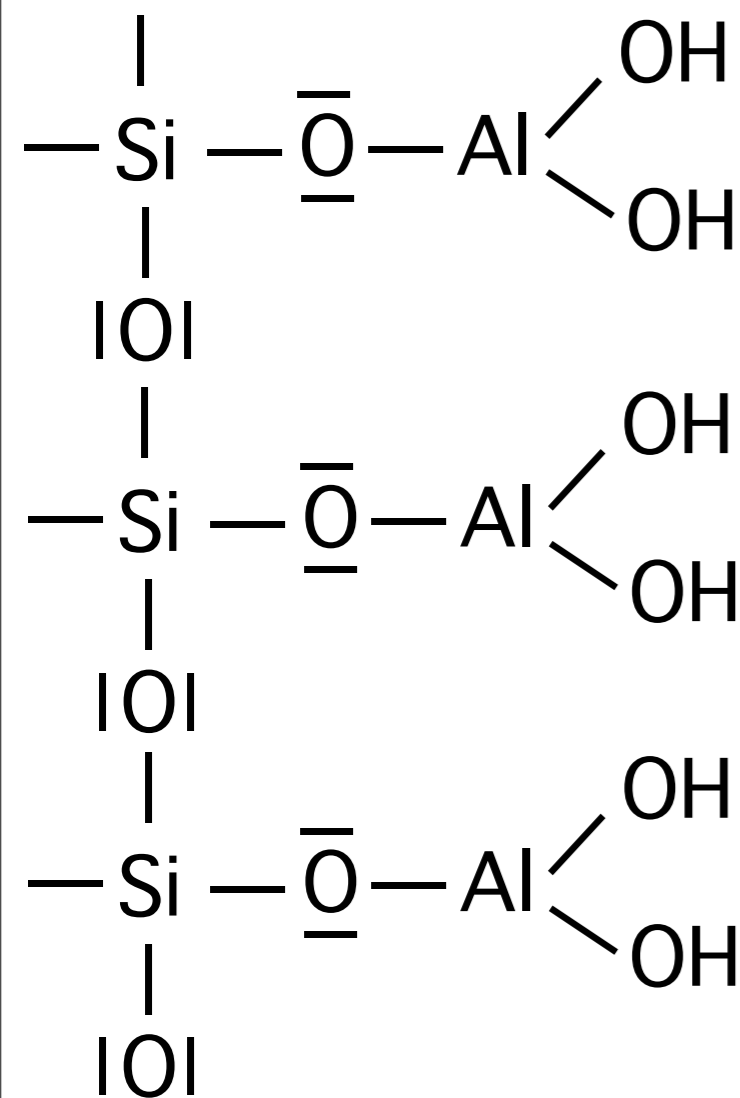


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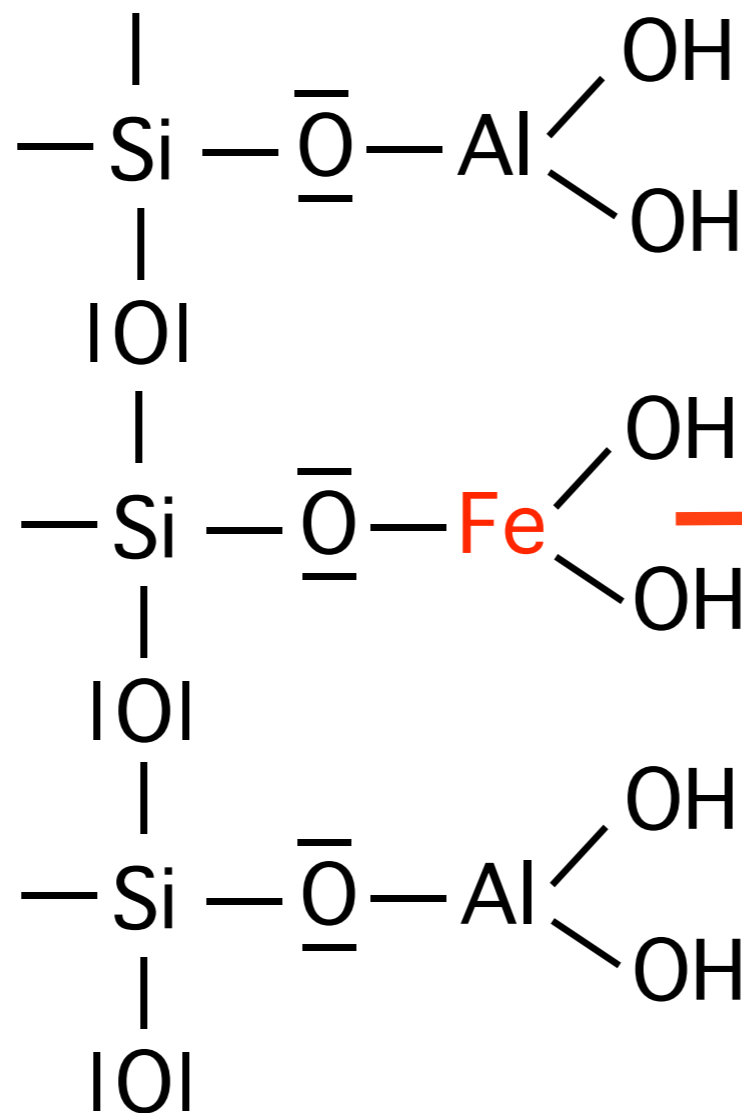
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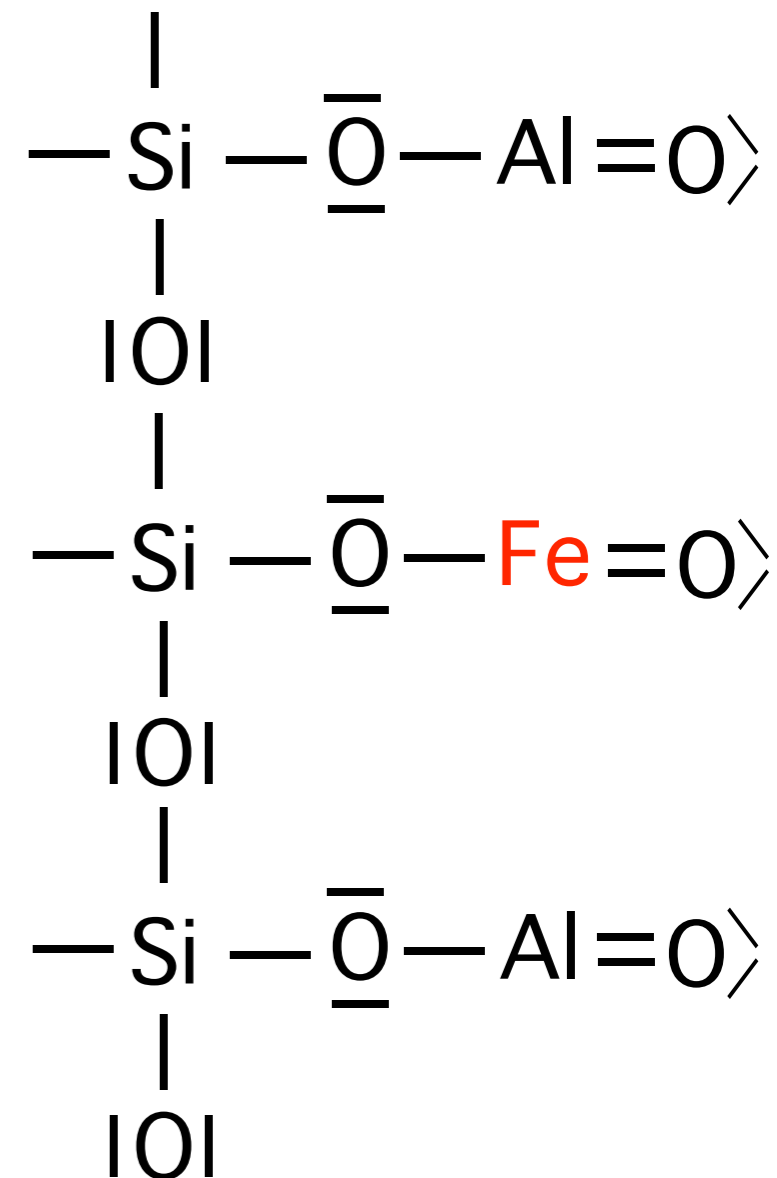


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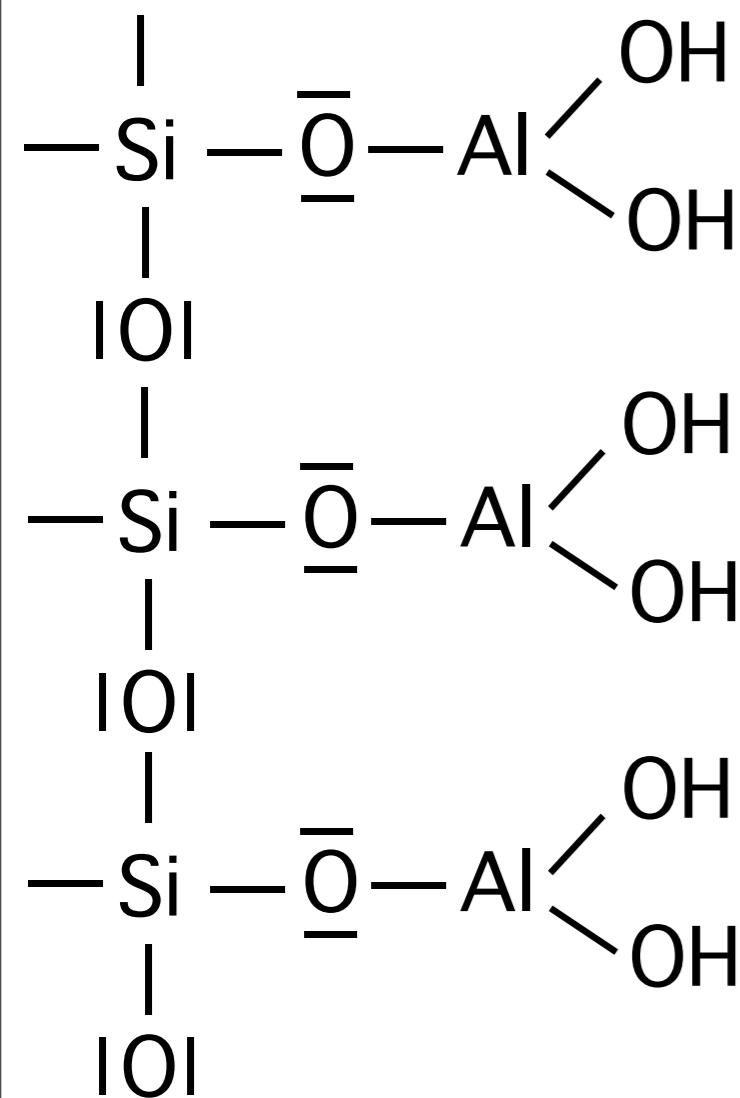
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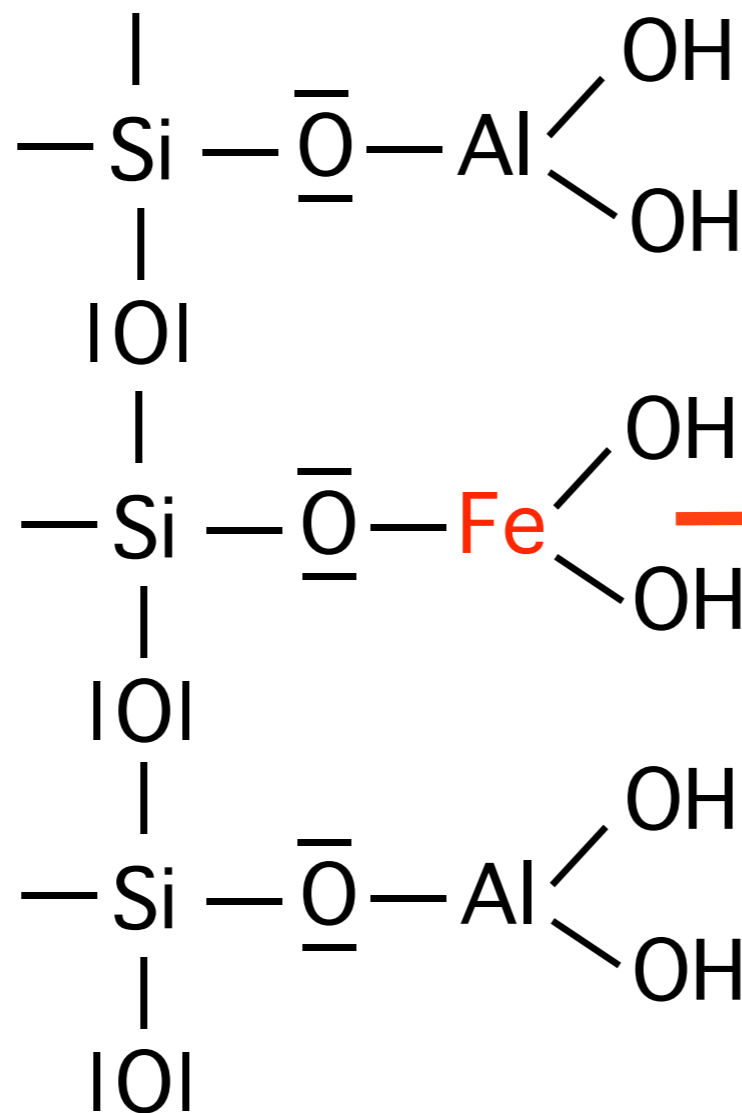


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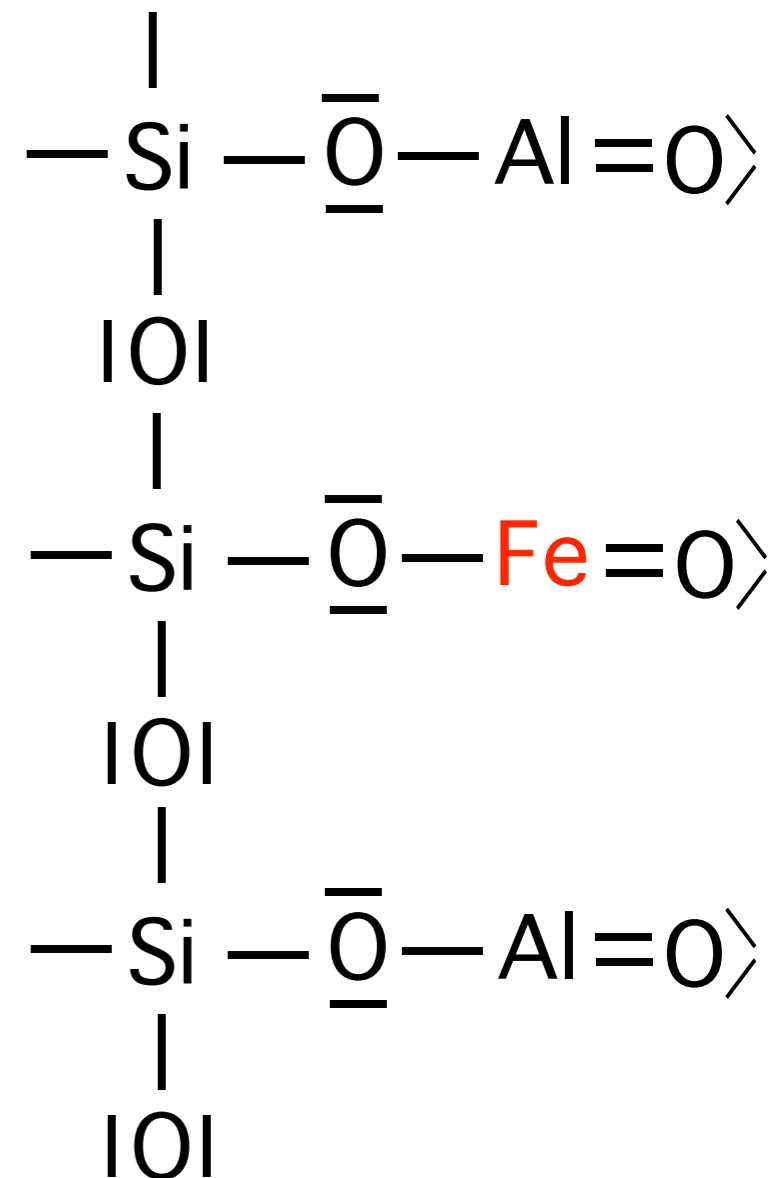


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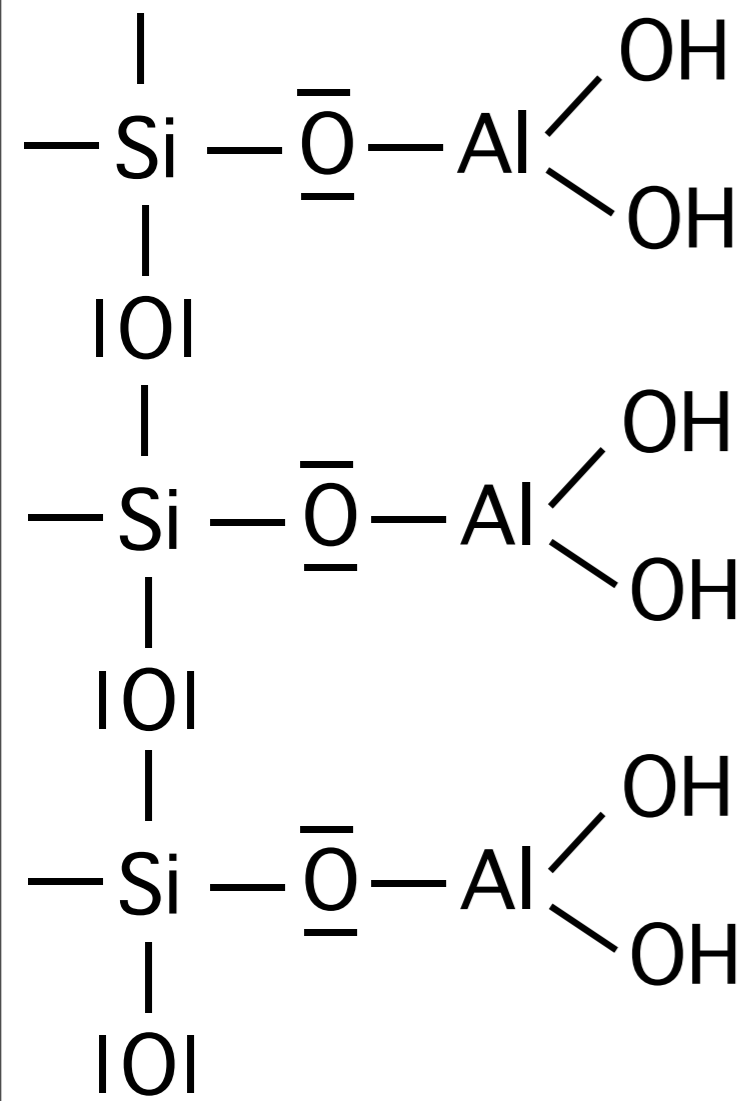
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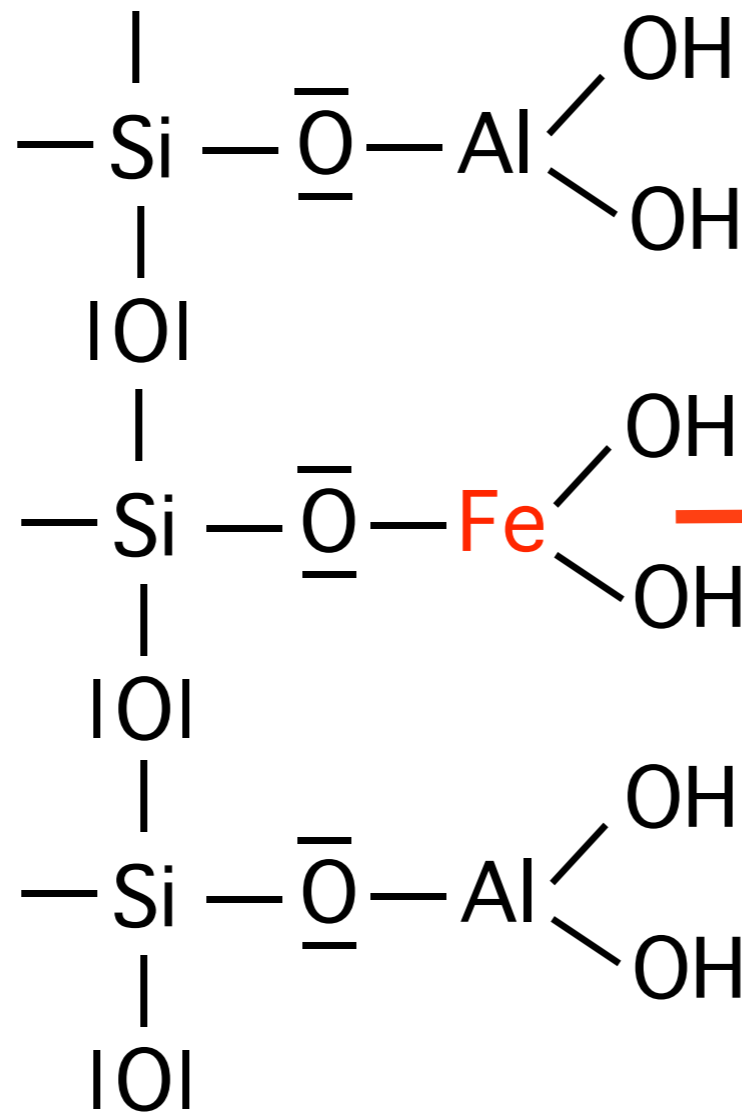
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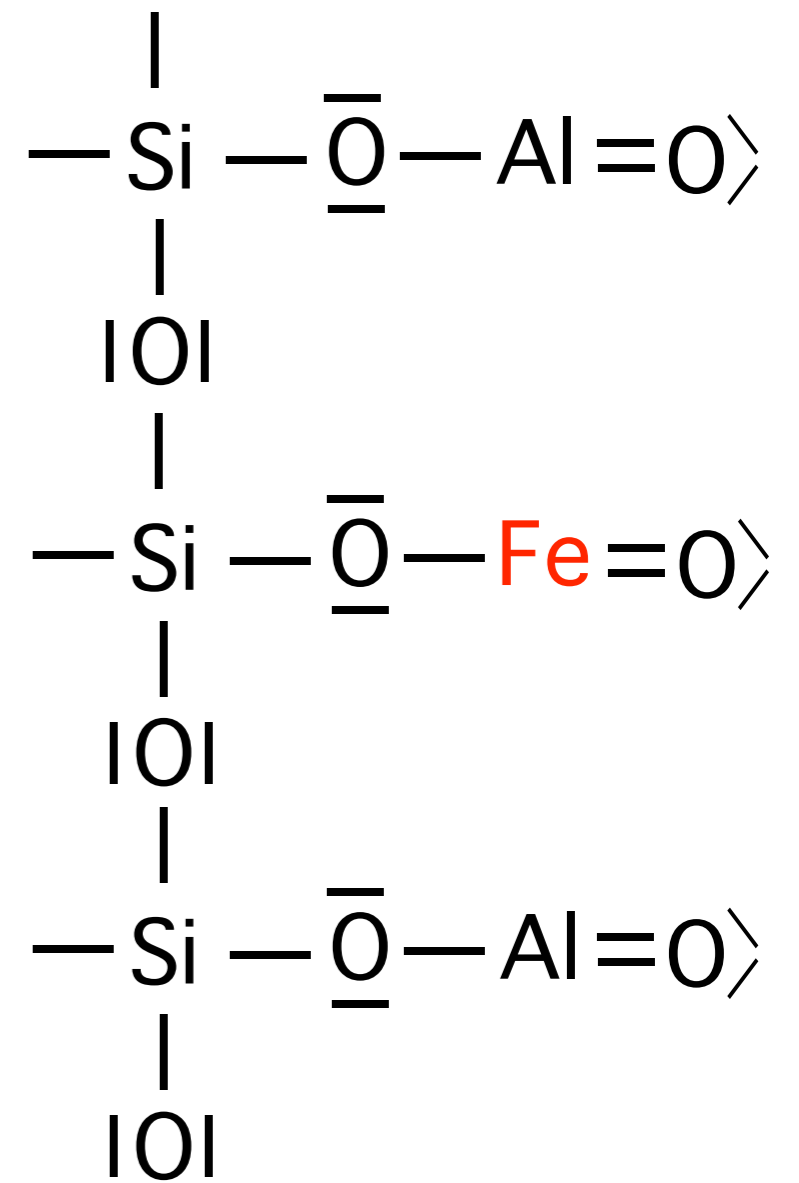
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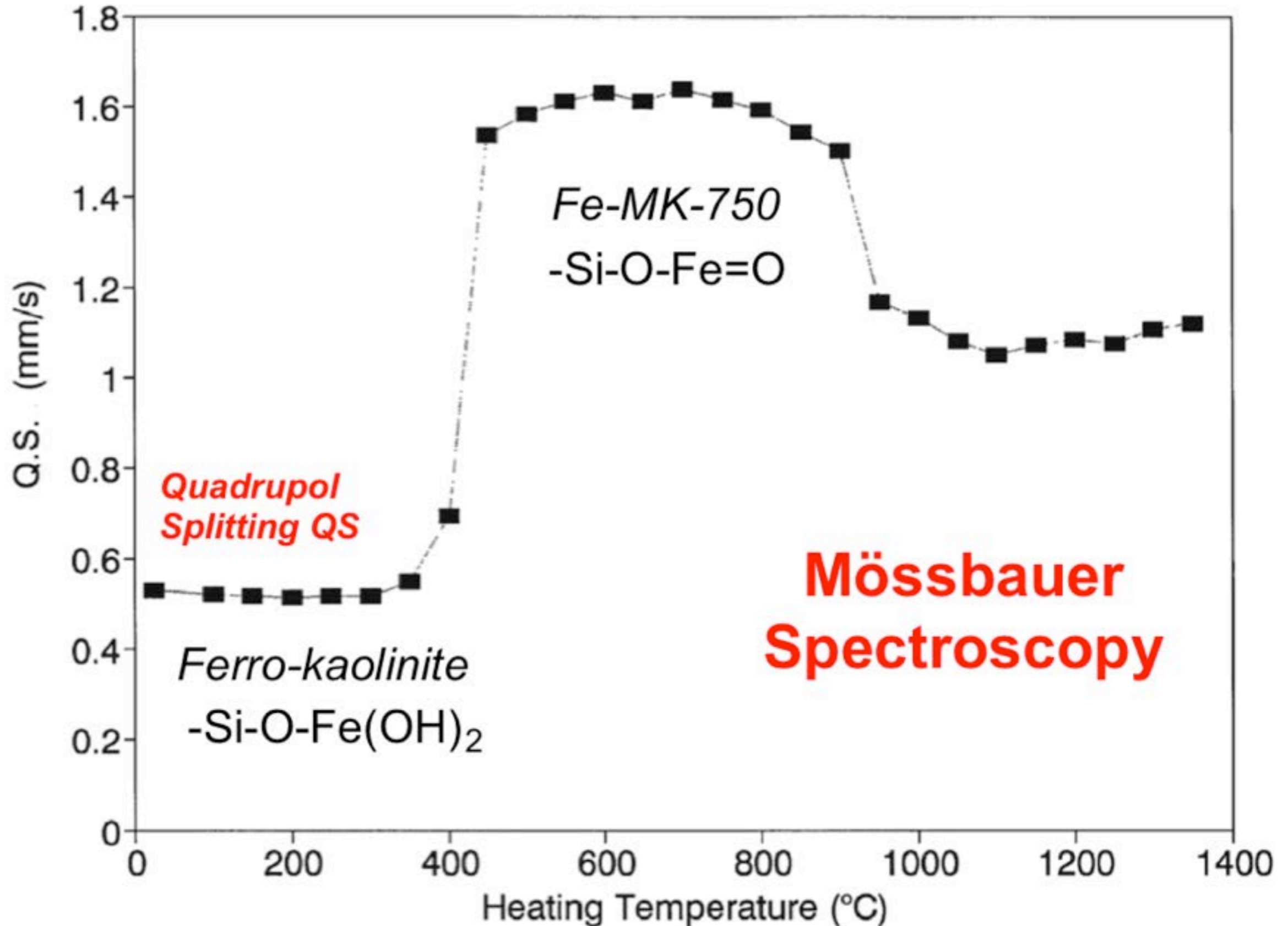


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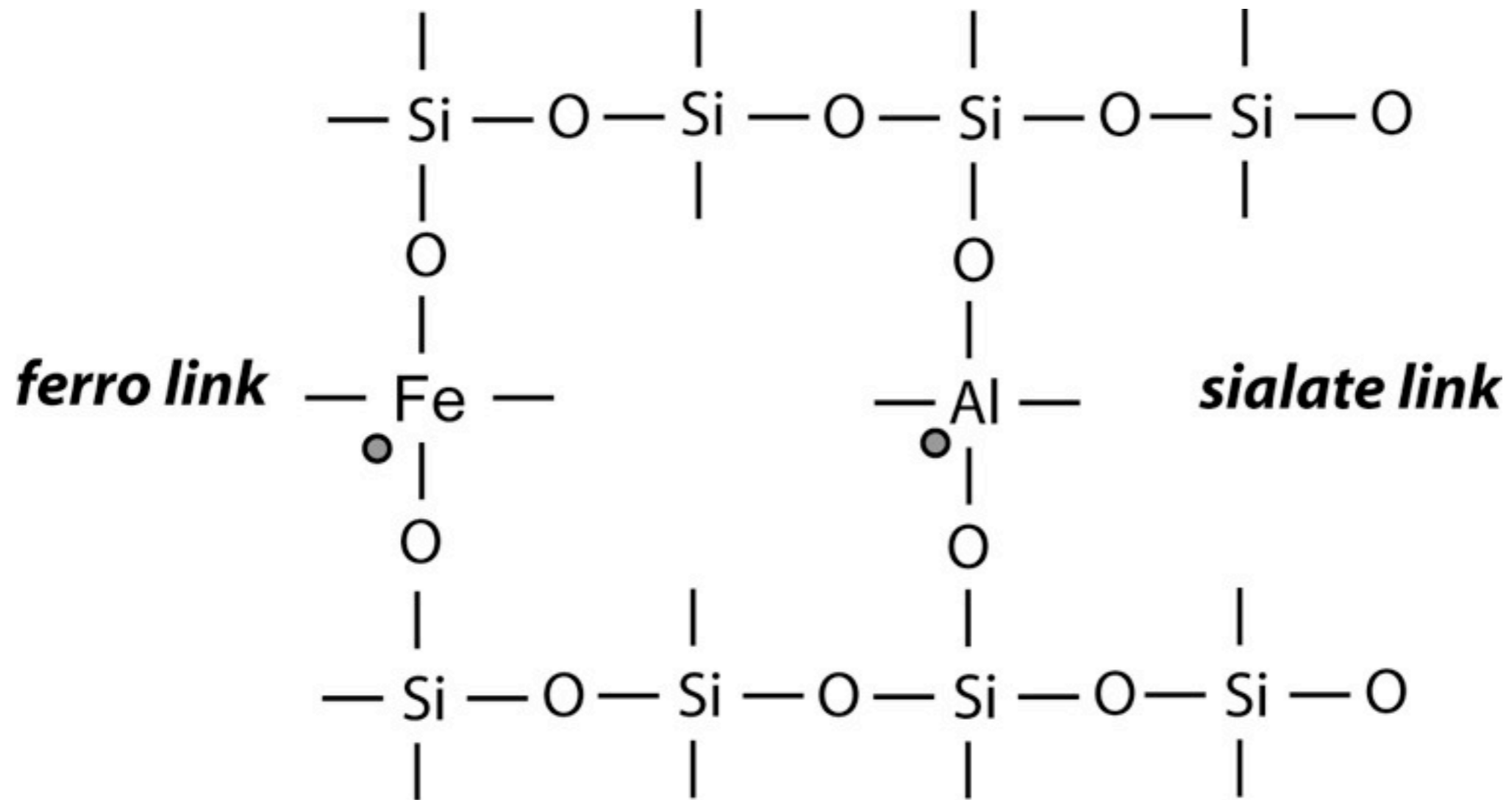
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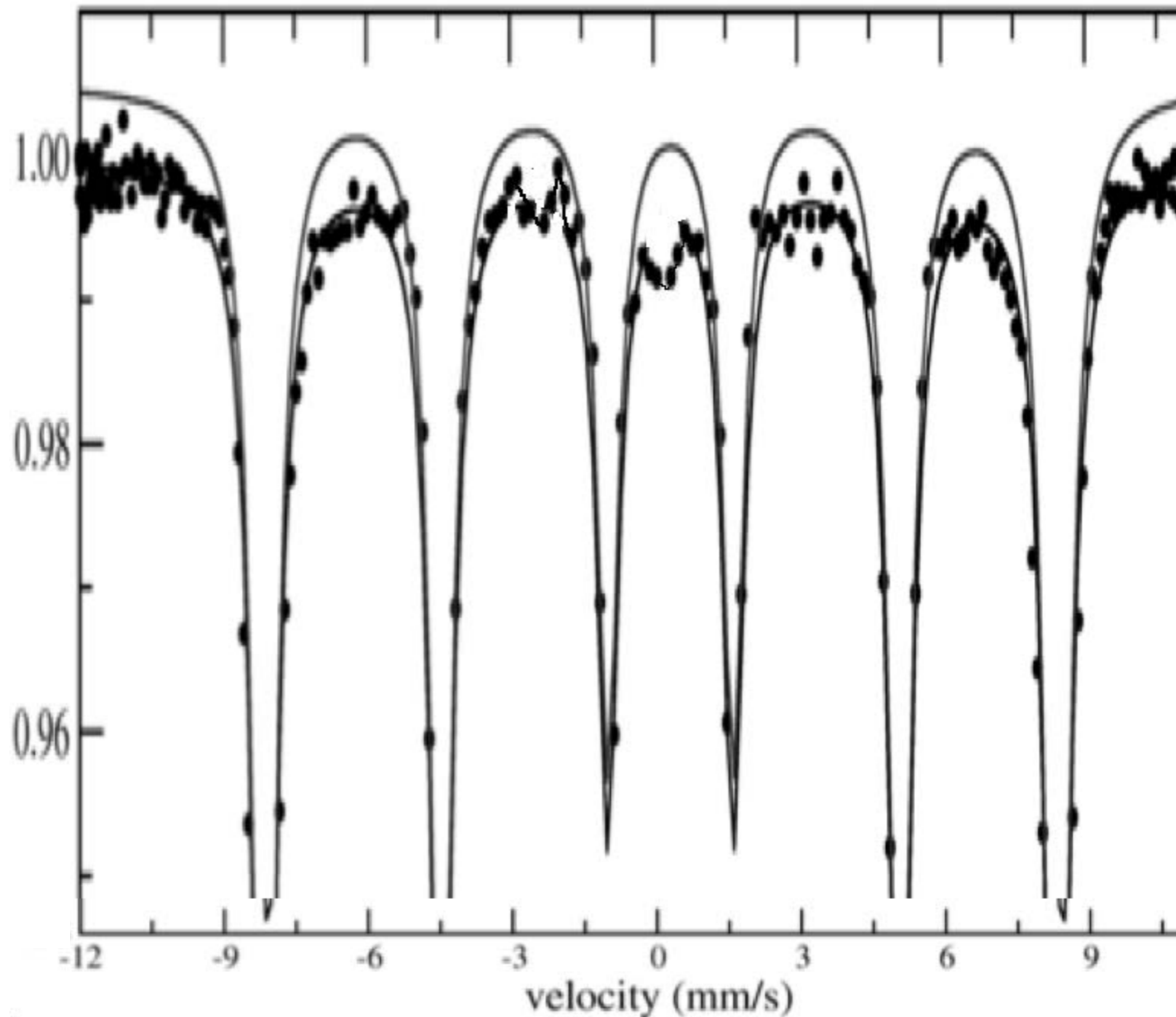


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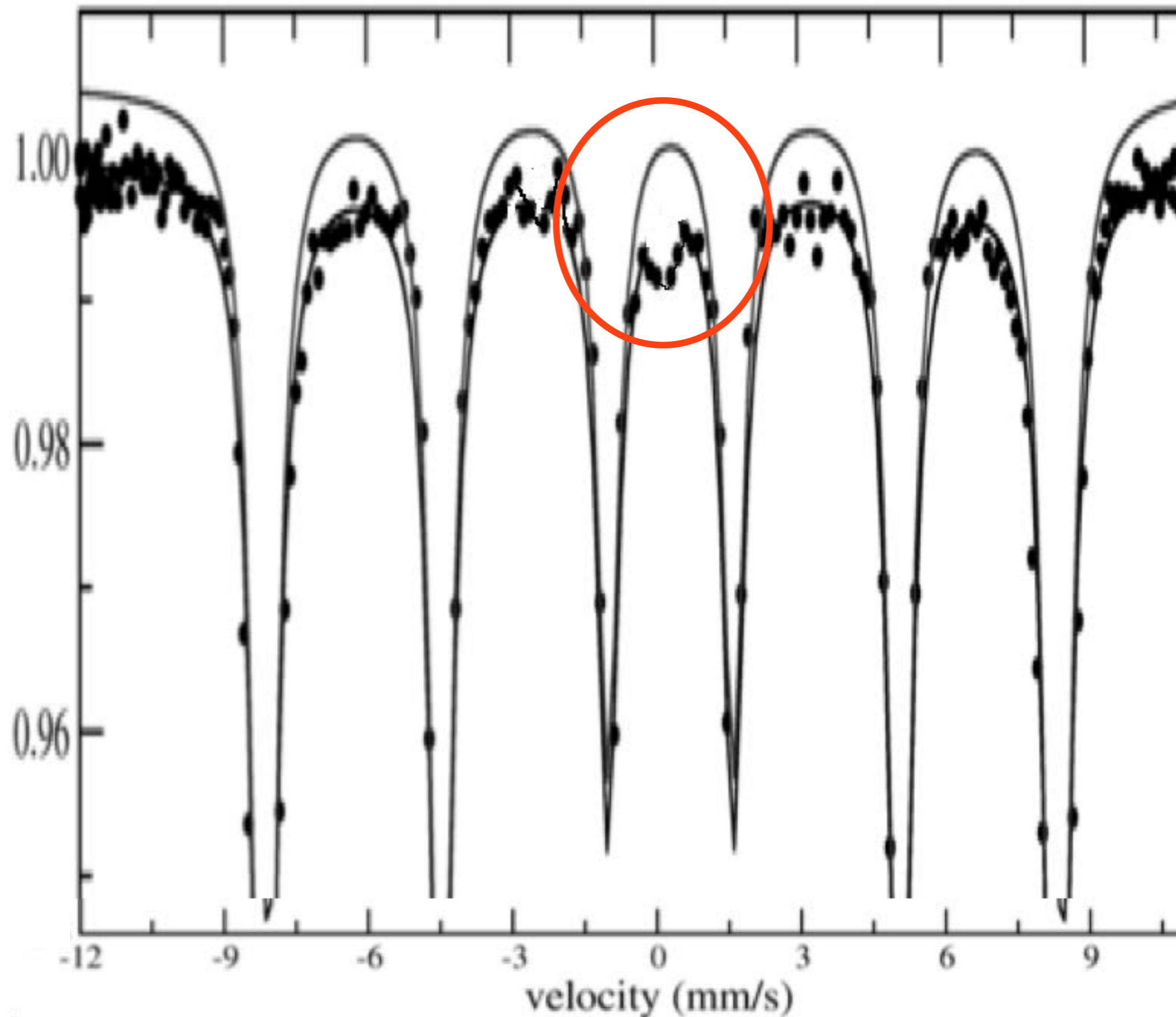
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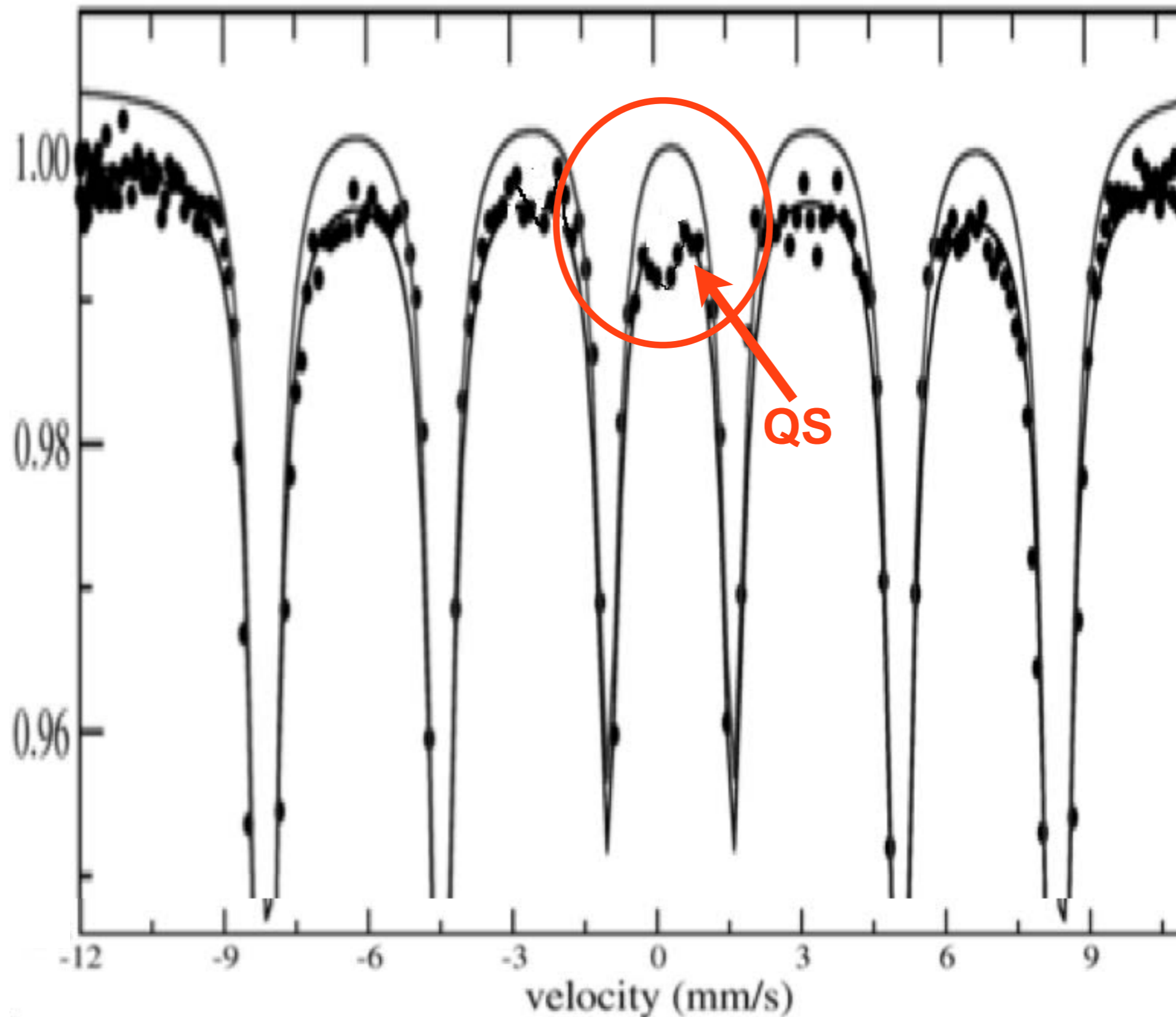
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The first of its type in the world, the plant was operational by March 2007. Using its own unique **geopolymer**, the waste is bound and formed into little 100mm x 90mm x 60mm bricks. The **briquettes are fed back into the furnace** and made into fibres for Rockwool insulation.

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# • World Chemical Company BASF launches Geopolymer product

Feb. 2011

 in *News and Conferences*, on 24 Mar 2011.  Tags: cement, ceramic, chemistry.

The German chemical company PCI Augsburg GmbH, a subsidiary of the world chemical company BASF, has launched a geopolymer joint grout PCI Geofug® product, for the general public.

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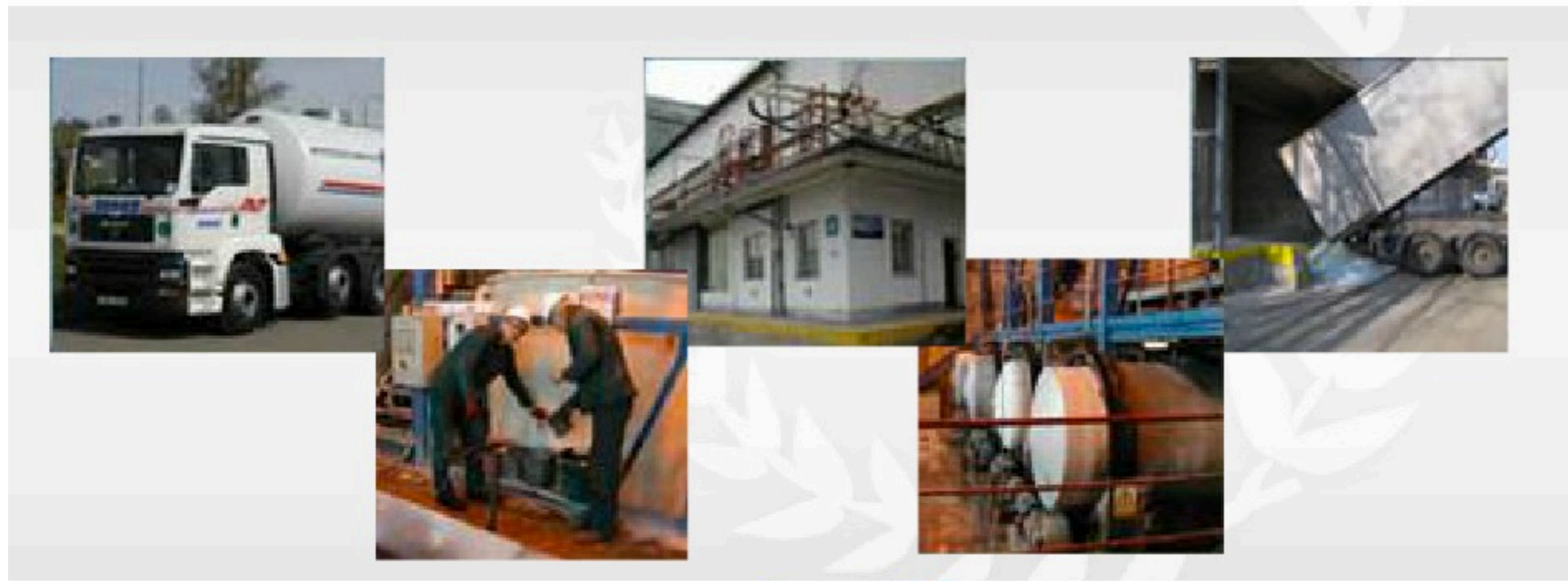
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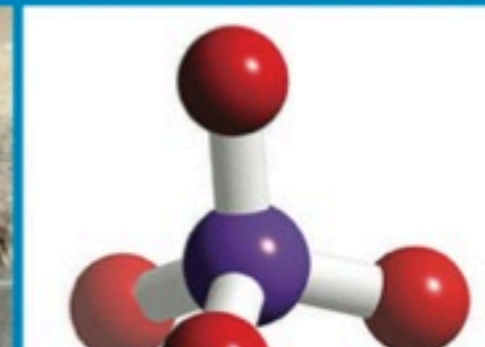
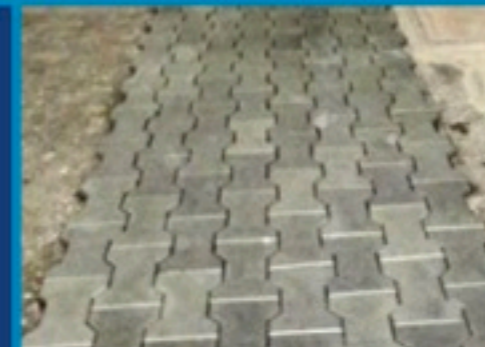
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- Complies to IS 15658: 2006 specification
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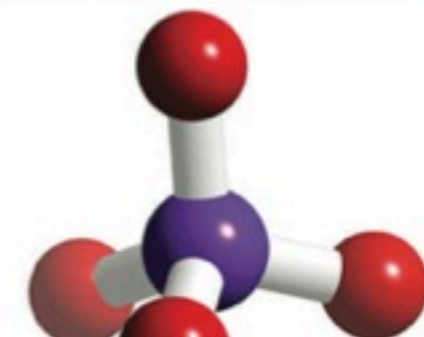
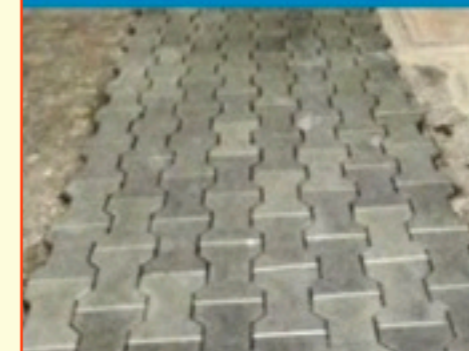
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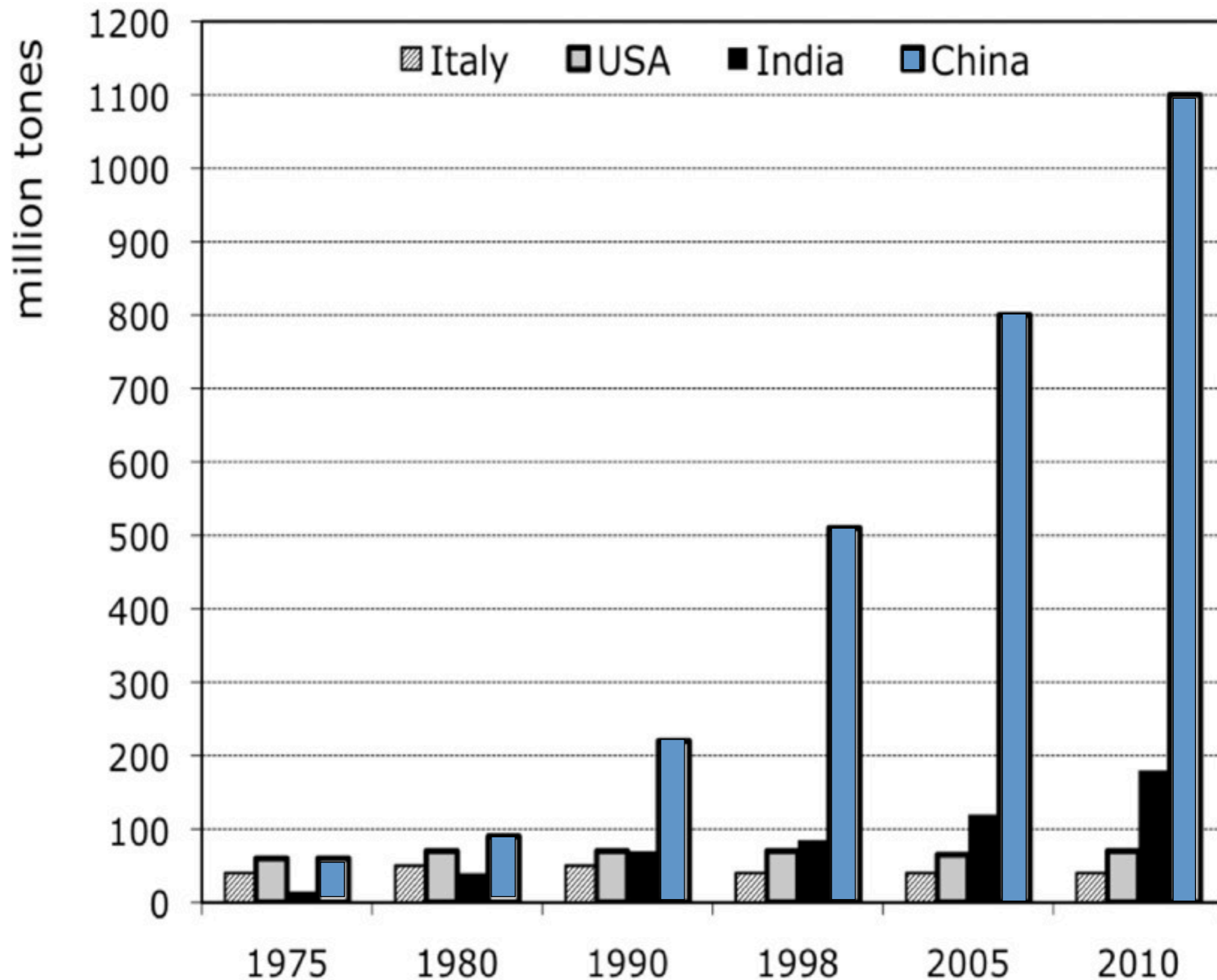
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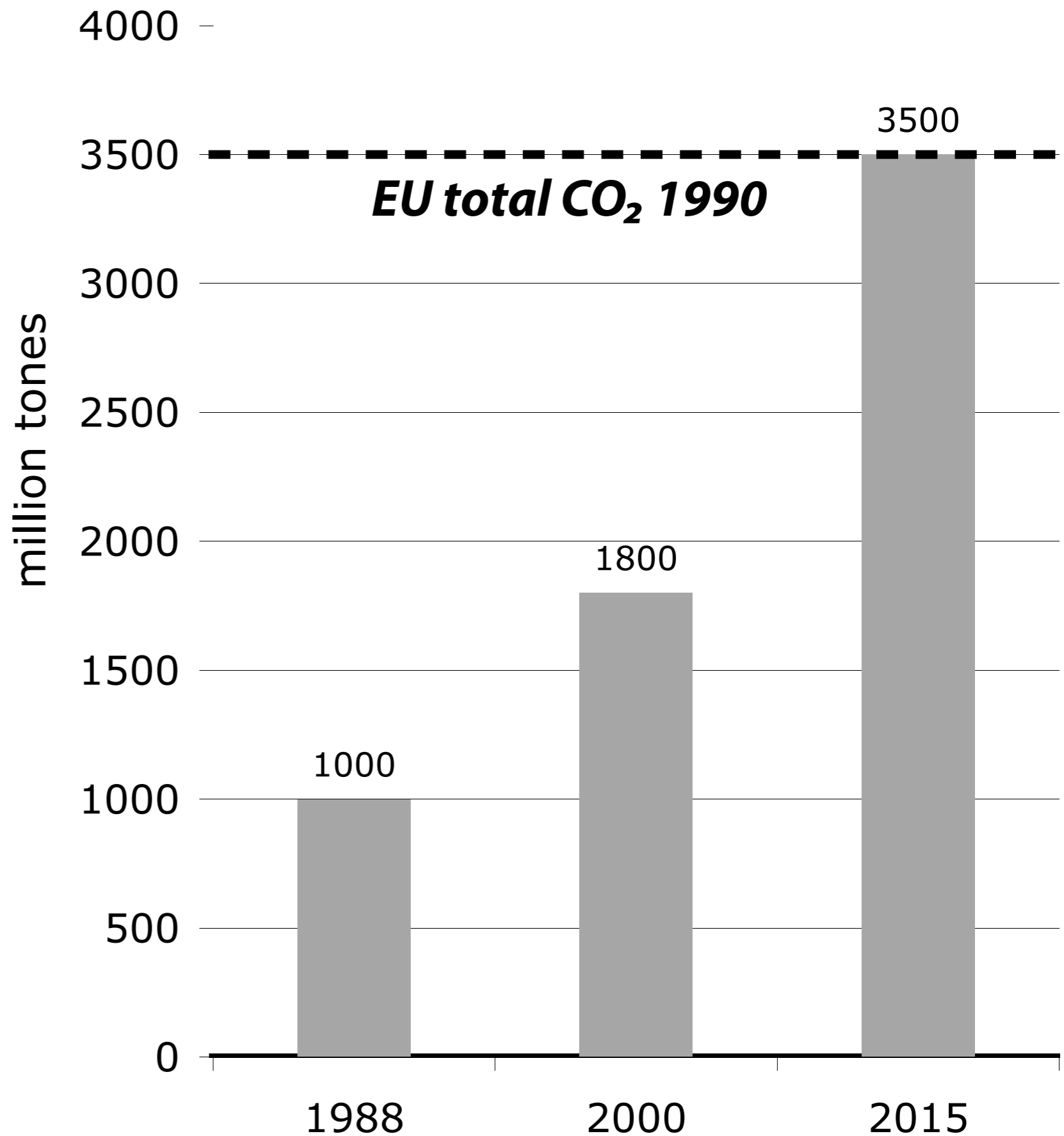
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30,0

20,0

10,0

0

1992

2000

2005

2012

**+ 50%**

10,2

4,3

5,5

2,6

15,0

4,1

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**Others**

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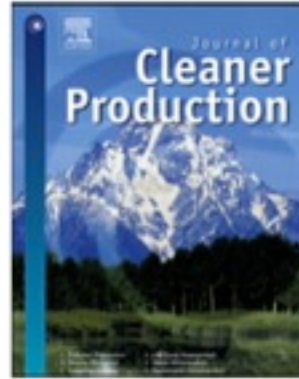
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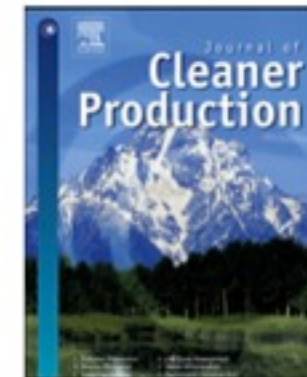
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# pH





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**CORROSIVE**



**IRRITANT**



# User- hostile Systems



**User- friendly**

**Systems**

# Corrosive and irritant chemicals



**Hostile**

**Friendly**



CaO (quick lime)

Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>

NaOH

Portland cement

KOH

Iron slag

Sodium metasilicate

Slurry soluble silicate/kaolin

SiO<sub>2</sub>:Na<sub>2</sub>O = 1

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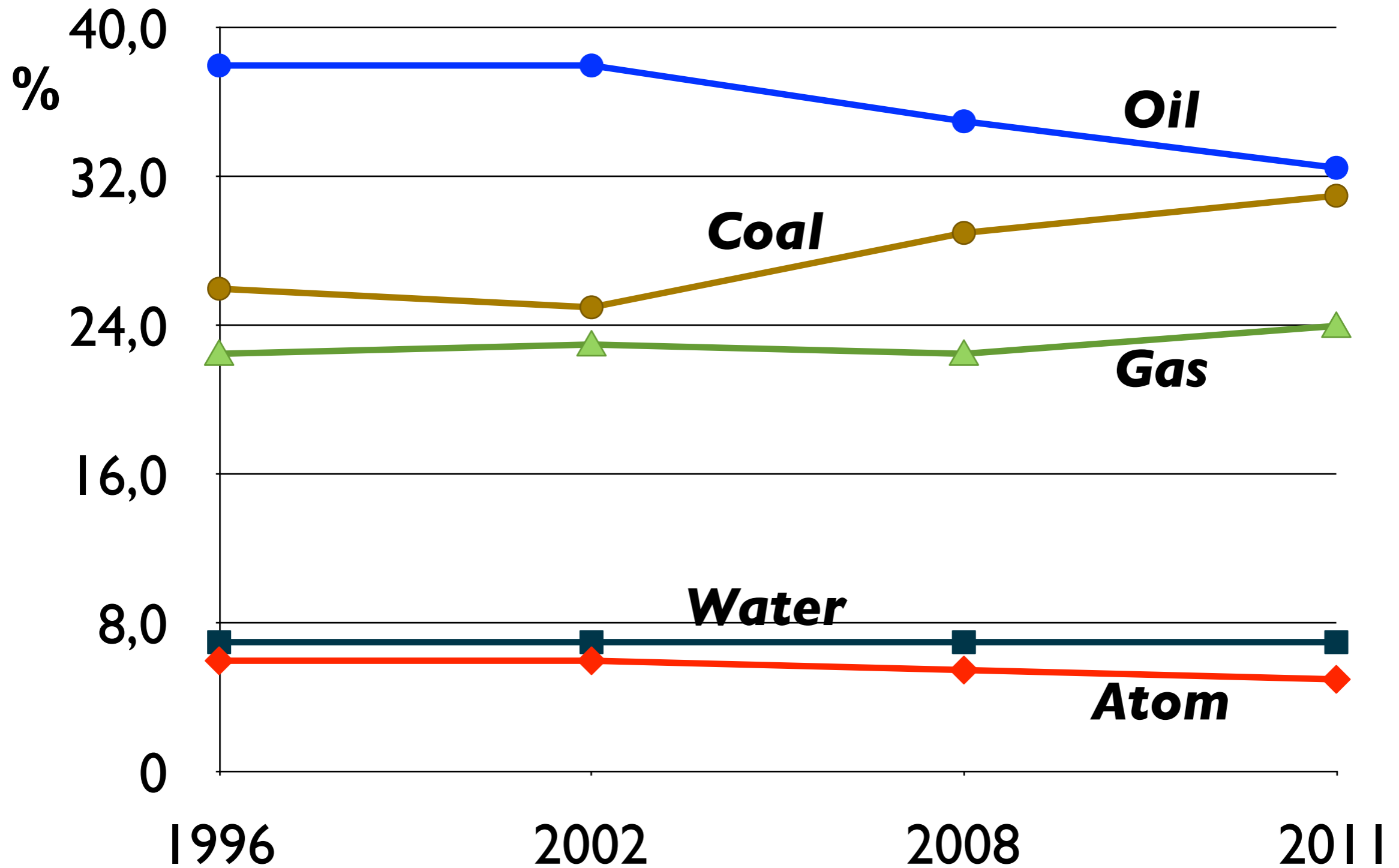
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# COAL FLY-ASH GEOPOLYMERIZATION

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Hardening at Room-Temperature

Based on

(K,Ca)-poly(sialate-siloxo) matrix





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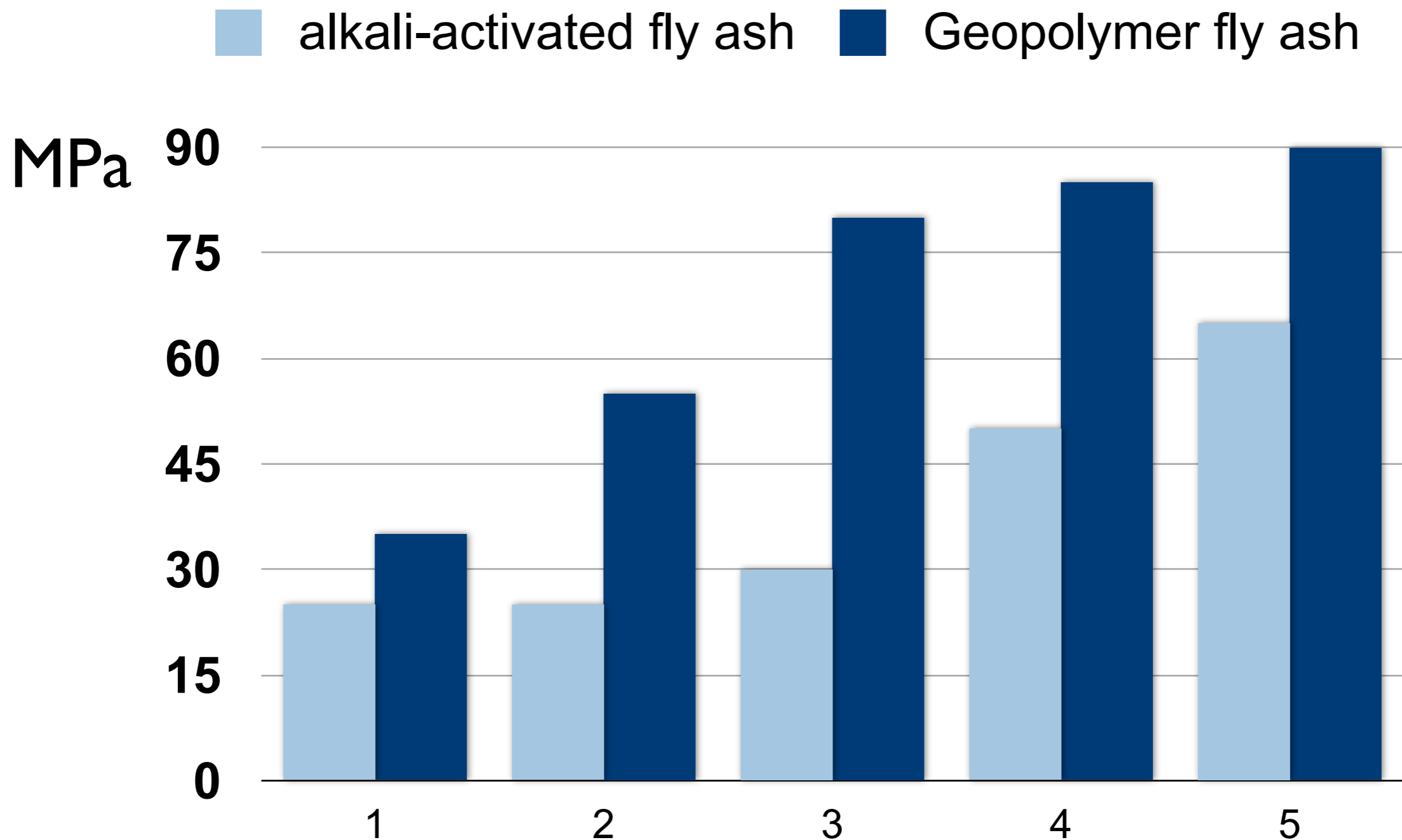
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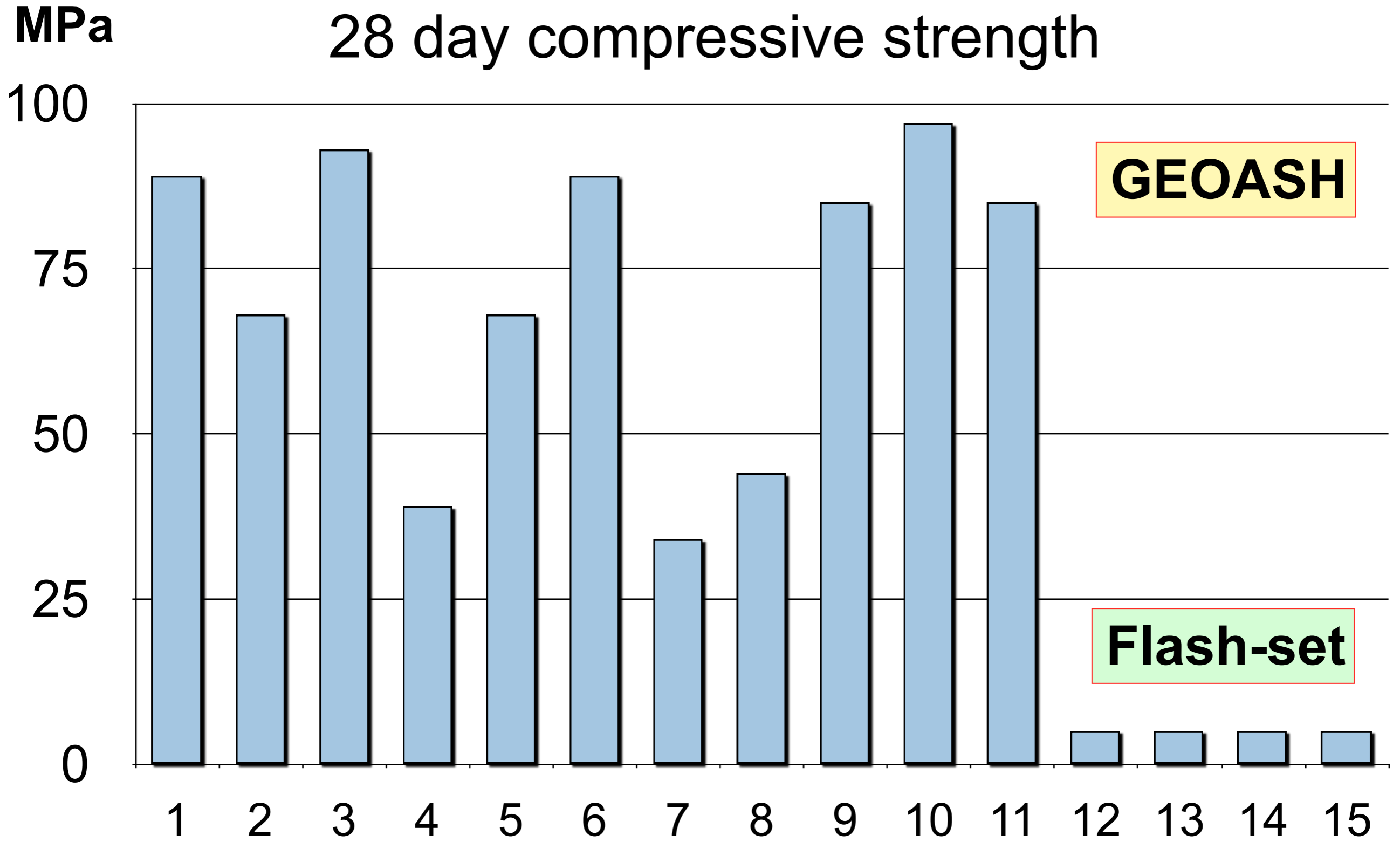
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# Hardening at ROOM TEMP.



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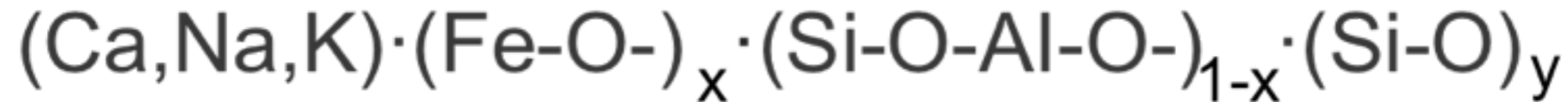
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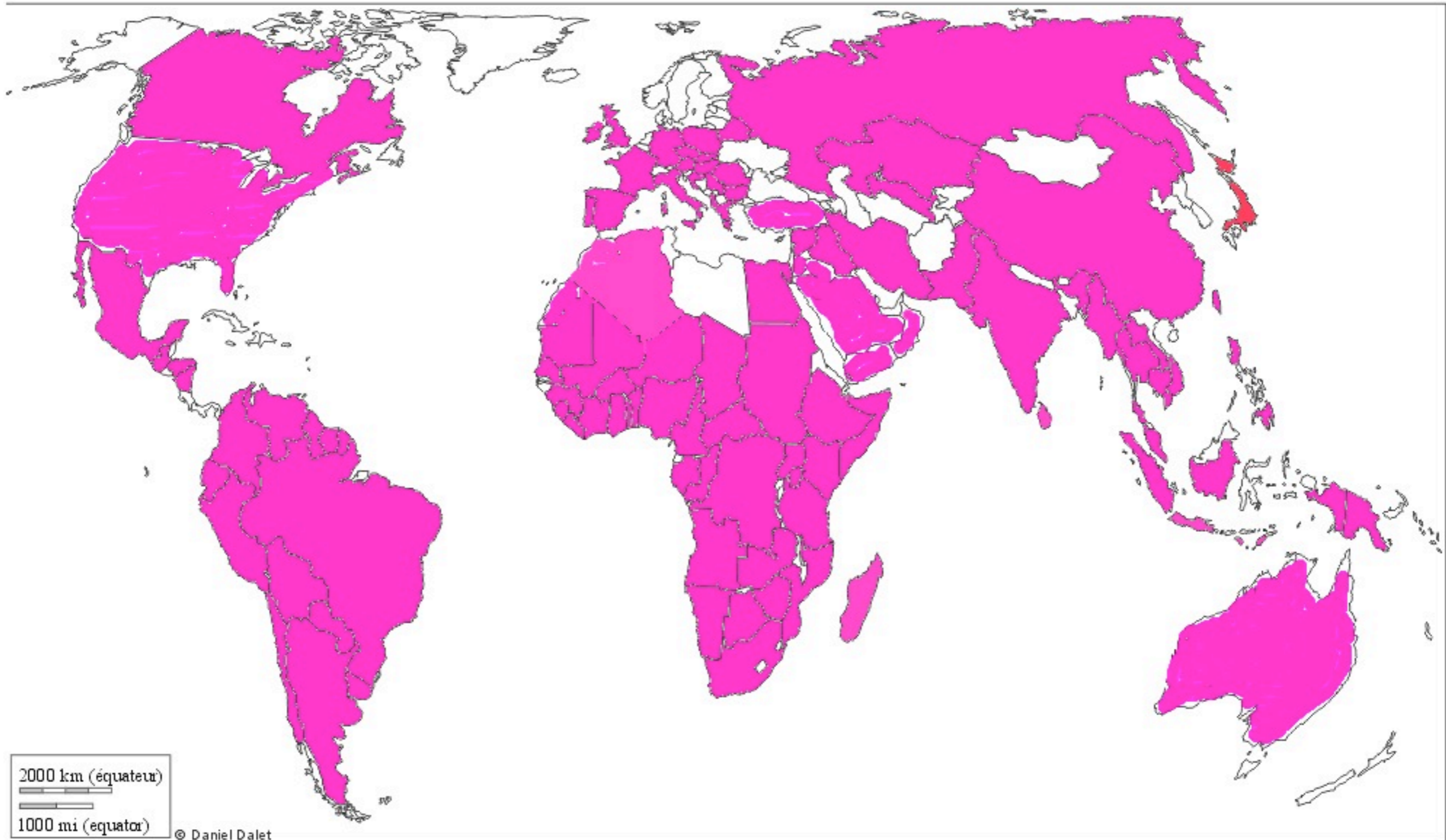
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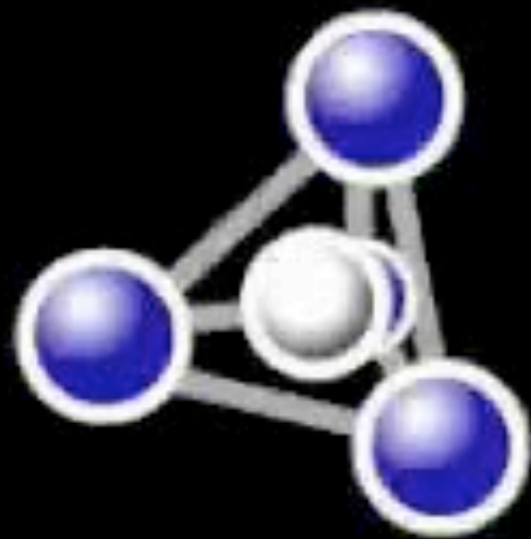
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**Table I. Compressive Strengths of One-Part Geopolymer Pastes After Different Periods of Curing**

Raw material	Compressive strength, MPa			
	1 day	7 days	14 days	28 days
Albite <sup>*</sup>	—	—	1.5	2.2
Albite calcined at 1000°C <sup>*</sup>	—	—	1.8	2.5
Albite calcined with ➤ 50% NaOH at 1000°C <sup>†</sup>	15.5	32.3	38.5	44.2
Albite calcined with ➤ 50% Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> at 1000°C <sup>†</sup>	12.4	25.6	34.4	42.6

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