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## Master Thesis

# Effect of Seawater on Ageing of Polyester Composites and Study of Aged Composite Polymer

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# Introduction

Maritime Industry



End of the Service Life



After

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# Objectives

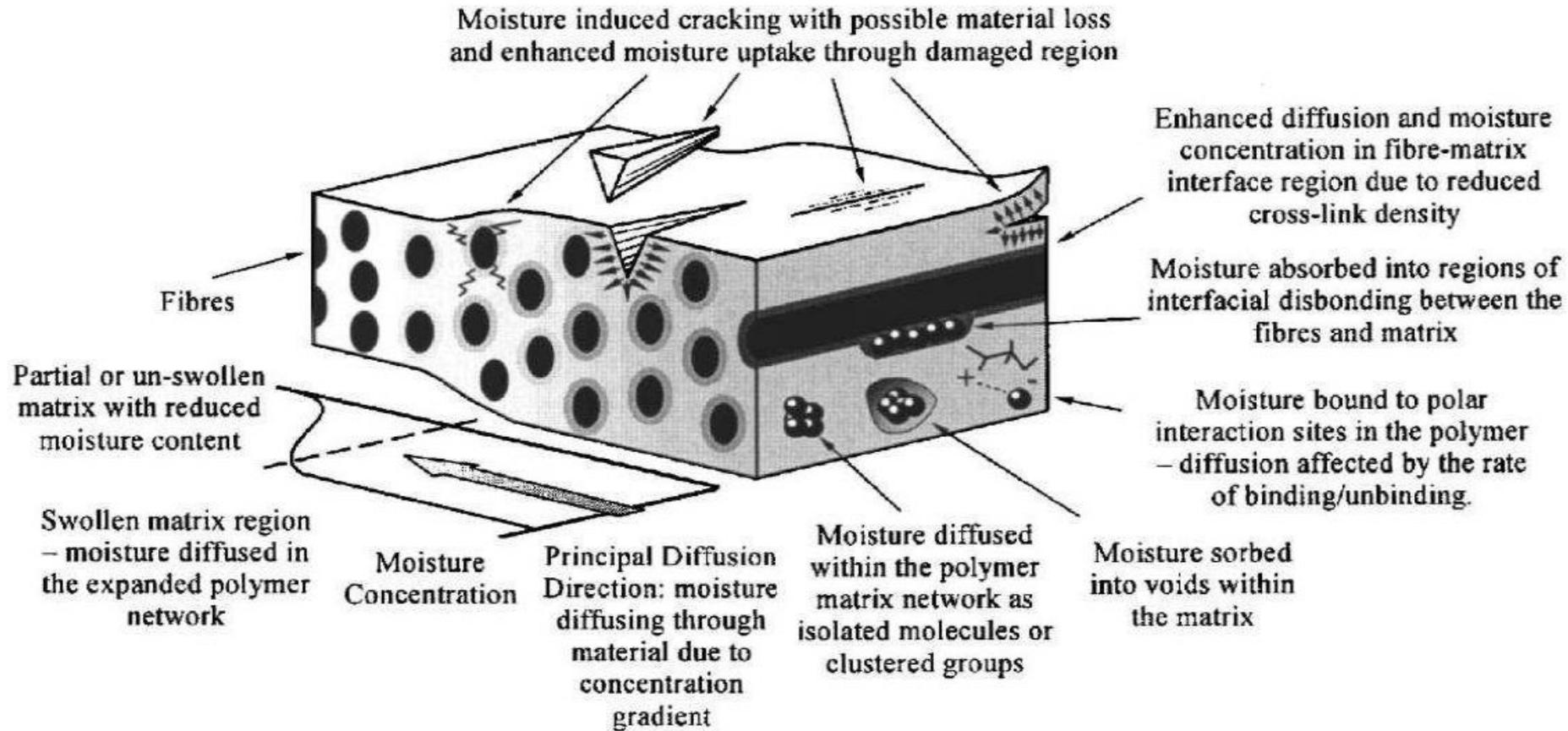
The objectives include:

Scope of the study >>>> Glass fiber / Polyester Composite

- The quantification of the sea water ingress in glass/polyester laminates at different temperature levels ;
- The determination of the change of flexural property of the glass/polyester composite at different temperature levels.

# Literature

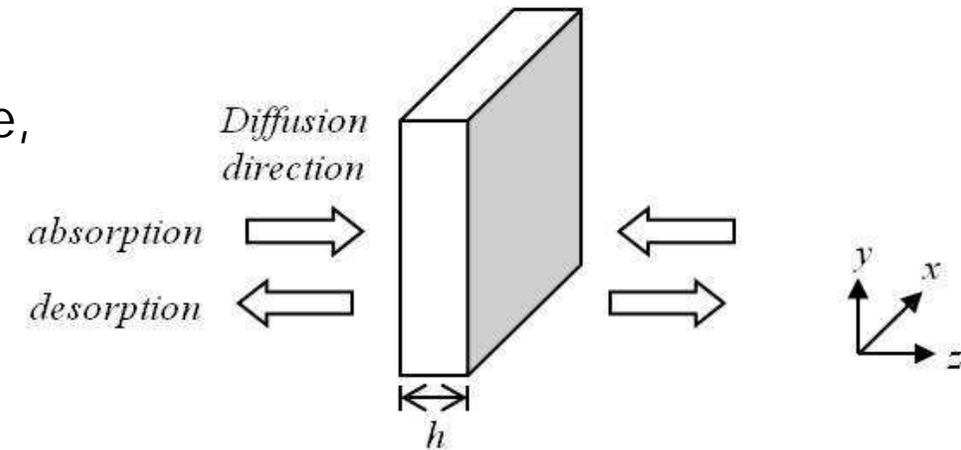
## Moisture sorption locations and mechanisms in polymer



# Literature

## -Fickian Diffusion

- Concentration profile and gradient changes by the time,
- Driving force (gradient),



$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( D_z(T) \frac{\partial c}{\partial z} \right) = D_z(T) \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial z^2}$$

$c$  = moisture concentration

$D_z$  = moisture diffusivity (independent of distance, time and concentration)

# Literature

## -Fickian Diffusion

$$D_z = \pi \left( \frac{h}{4M_m} \right)^2 \left( \frac{M_2 - M_1}{\sqrt{t_2} - \sqrt{t_1}} \right)^2$$

where:

h= thickness of the material where seawater diffuse

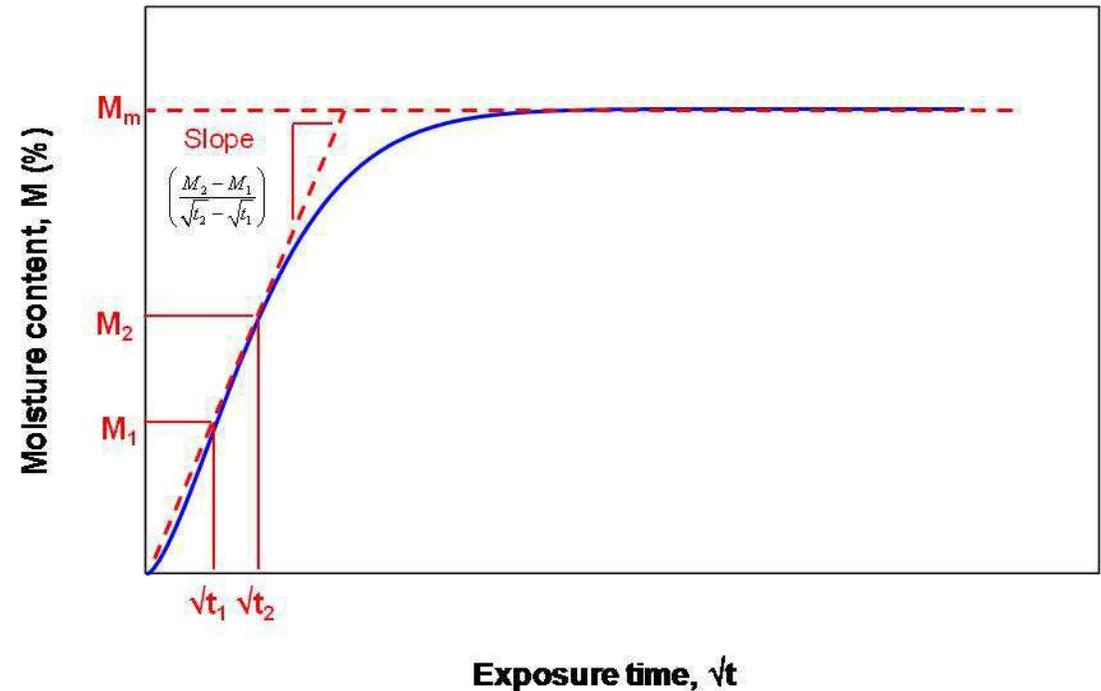
Mm= Maximum moisture content

M1= Moisture content at time of  $t_1^{1/2}$

M2= Moisture content at time of  $t_2^{1/2}$

t1= First measurement time of the moisture content

t2= Second measurement time of the moisture time



# Literature

## -Langmuir Model

$$\frac{M_t}{M_s} = \frac{\beta}{\gamma + \beta} e^{-\gamma t} \left( 1 - \frac{8}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-(2n+1)\pi^2 Dt/4h^2}}{(2n+1)^2} \right) + \frac{\beta}{\gamma + \beta} (e^{-\beta t} + e^{-\gamma t}) + (1 - e^{-\beta t})$$

Where:

$M_t$  = Moisture content at the time

$M_s$  = Moisture content at saturation

$N$  = number of the bound molecules per unit volume

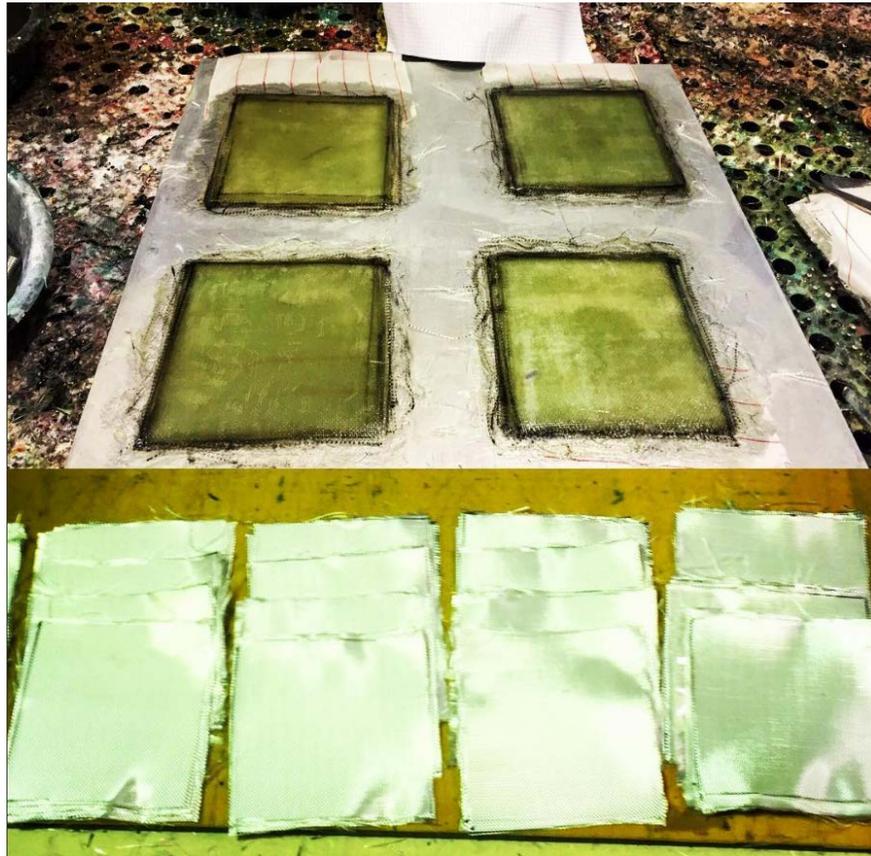
$n$  = mobile molecules per unit volume



- Water molecules are not diffuse freely
- Acting on active regions of resin by hydrogen bridges
- There are mobile and bound molecules
- $M_{\infty}$  when  $\gamma n = \beta N$

# Ageing of Polyester Composite

- Production Process and Preparation > Plates



- EN ISO 14125 Standards
- Hand Lay-up
- Fiber/Resin Weight fraction (%60 Fiber - %40 Resin)
- Cured Plates >> ~156-165 gr
- 70 Plates are produced
- Coding of Plates (PT1P101)

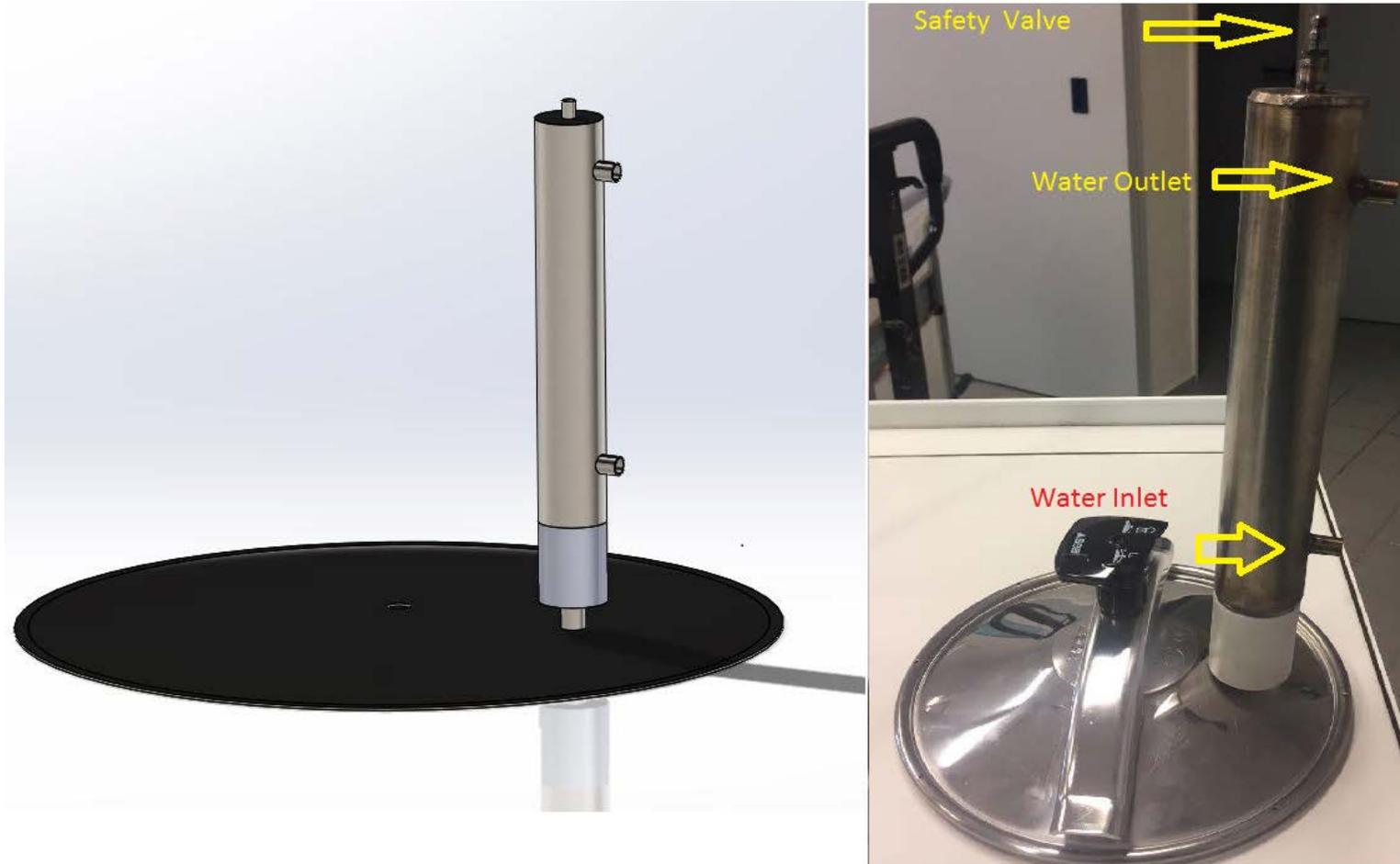
# Ageing of Polyester Composite

- Production Process and Preparation > Sea Water

Composition of Ions	# of mole	Composition of Salts	M salt g/mol	Quantity	For Salinity 35gr/l (gr)
<b>Na<sup>+</sup></b>	0,469	NaCl	58,5	27,4	25,0
<b>Mg<sup>2+</sup></b>	0,053	MgCl <sub>2</sub>	95	5,035	4,6
<b>SO<sup>4-</sup></b>	0.028	Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	142	3,976	3,6
<b>Ca<sup>2+</sup></b>	0,0103	CaCl <sub>2</sub>	111	1,1433	1,0
<b>K<sup>+</sup></b>	0,0102	KCl	74,5	0,7599	0,7
-	-	Total	-	38,4	35,0

# Ageing of Polyester Composite

- Production Process and Preparation > Design of Cooler for Pressure Cooker



# Ageing of Polyester Composite

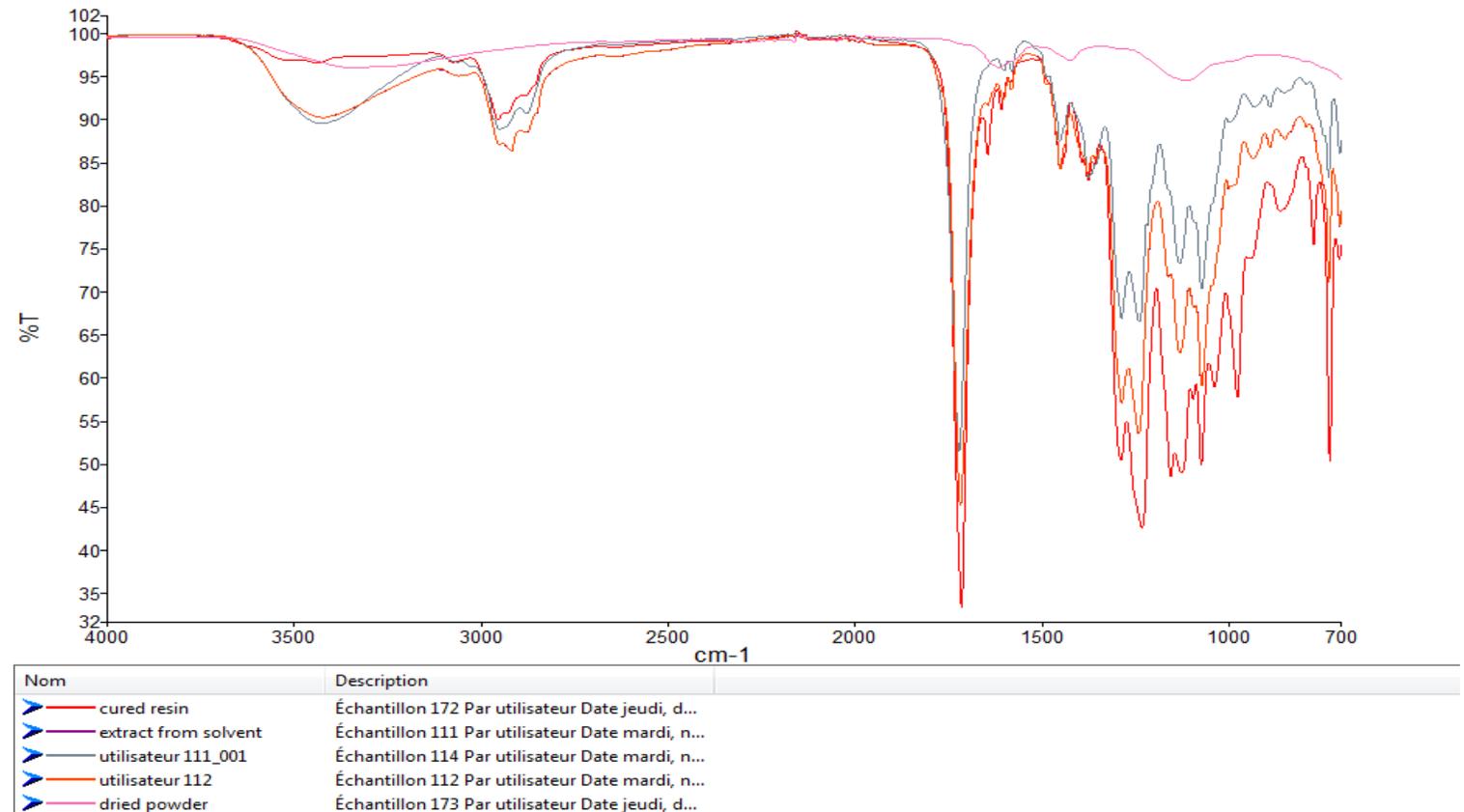
- Test Conditions



- Temperature (80C°, 100C°, and 130C°)
- Time Period (3 weeks & 6 weeks)
- Placement of Plates

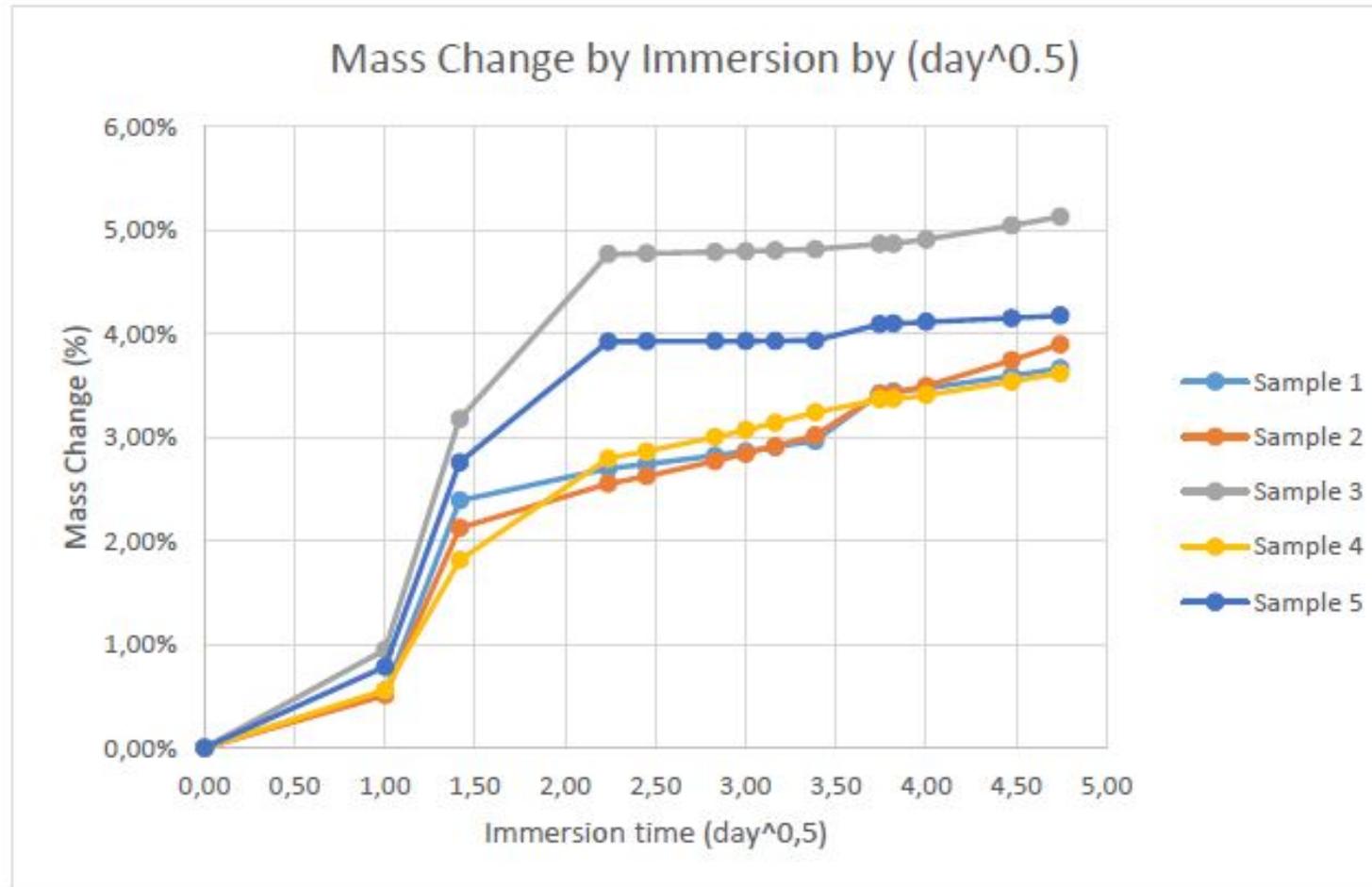
# Ageing of Polyester Composite

- Notes about tests



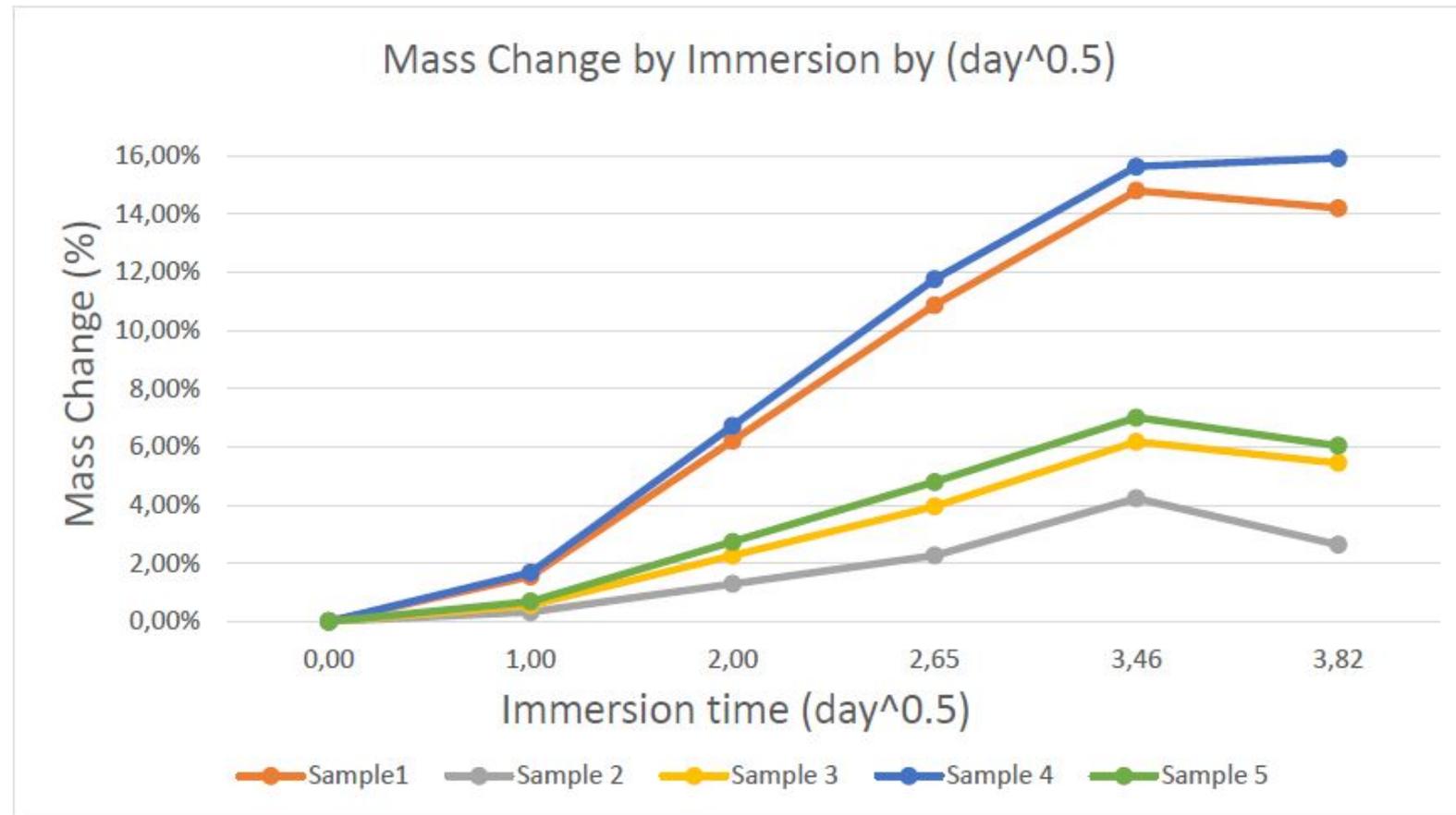
# Ageing of Polyester Composite

- Results > 80C° Mass change (%) by time (day<sup>0,5</sup>)



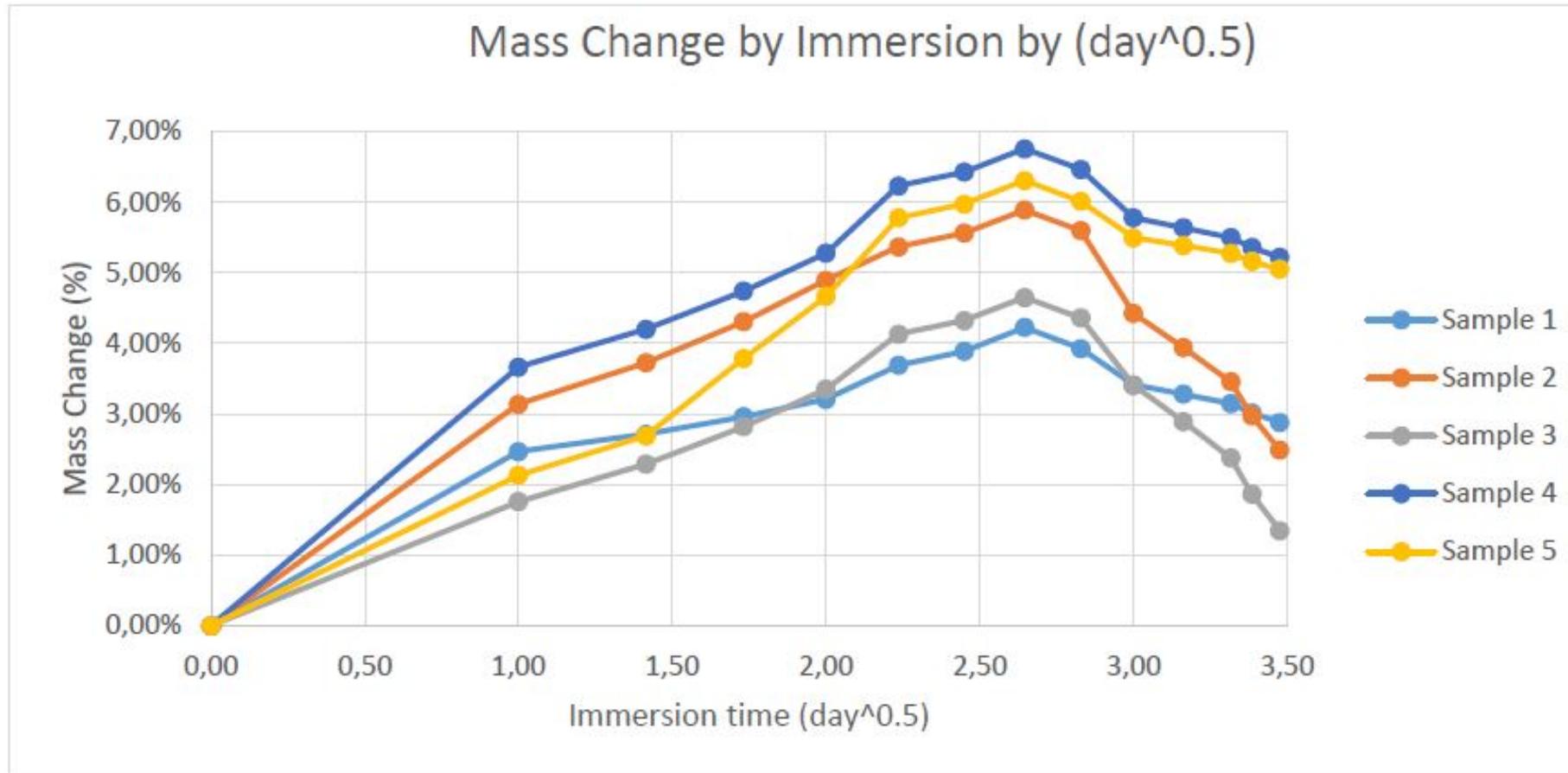
# Ageing of Polyester Composite

- Results > 100C° Mass change (%) by time (day<sup>0,5</sup>)



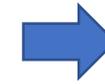
# Ageing of Polyester Composite

- Results  $> 130^{\circ}\text{C}$  Mass change (%) by time ( $\text{day}^{0,5}$ )



# Mechanical Behavior of Aged Composites

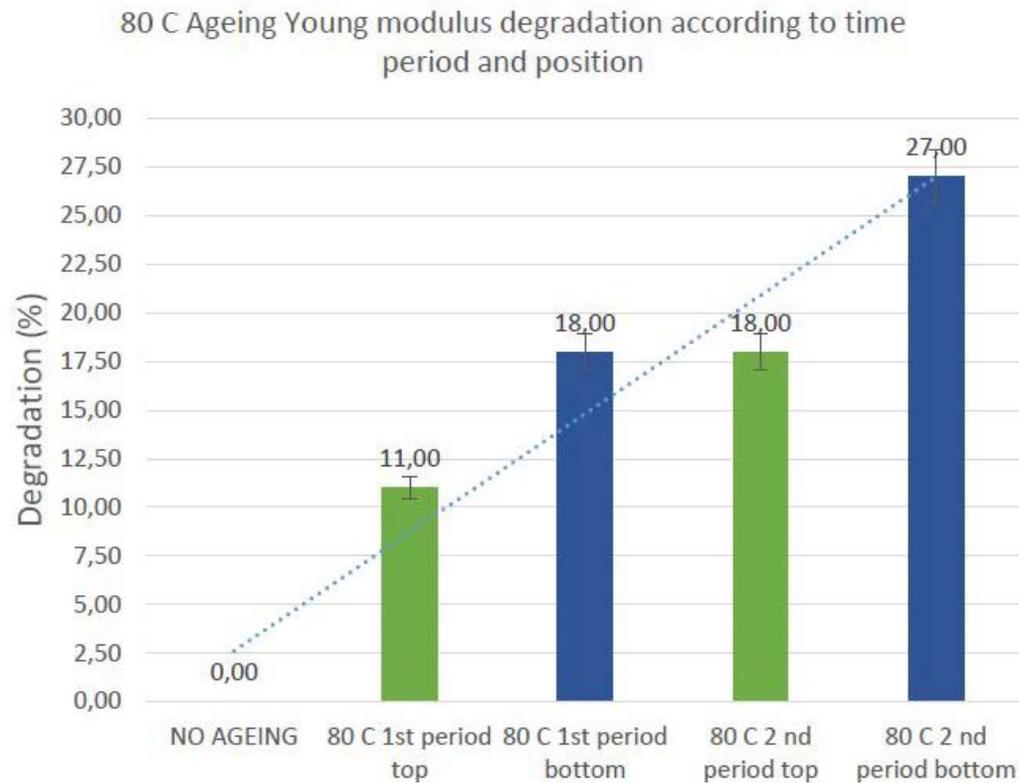
- Preparation & Testing



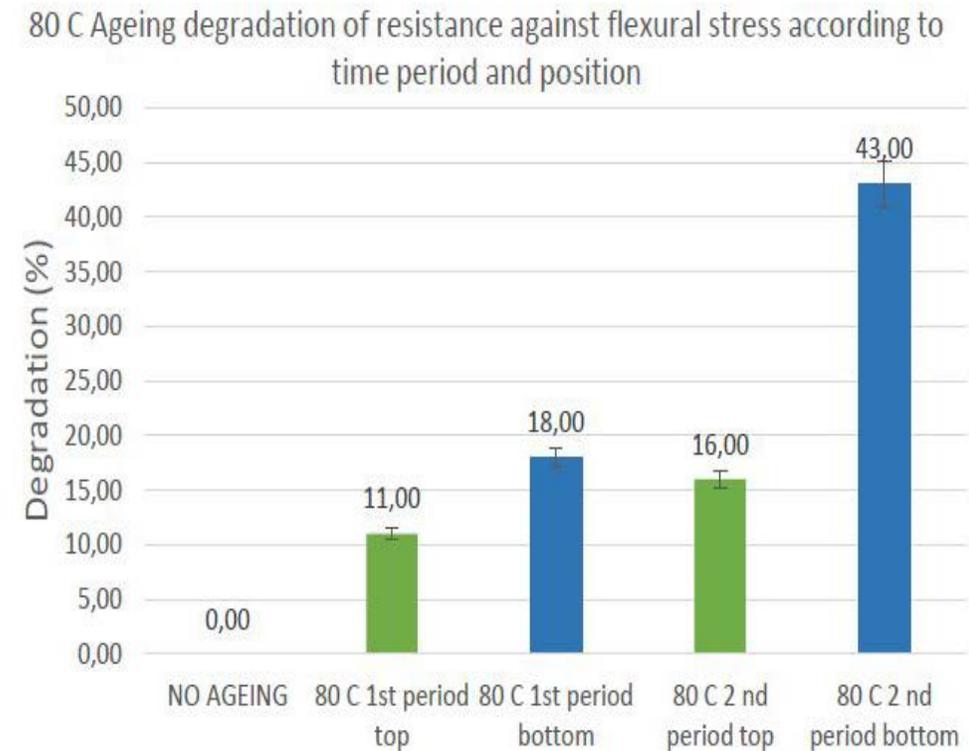
# Mechanical Behavior of Aged Composites

- Results > Change of Young modulus and resistance against flexural stress at 80C°

## Modulus



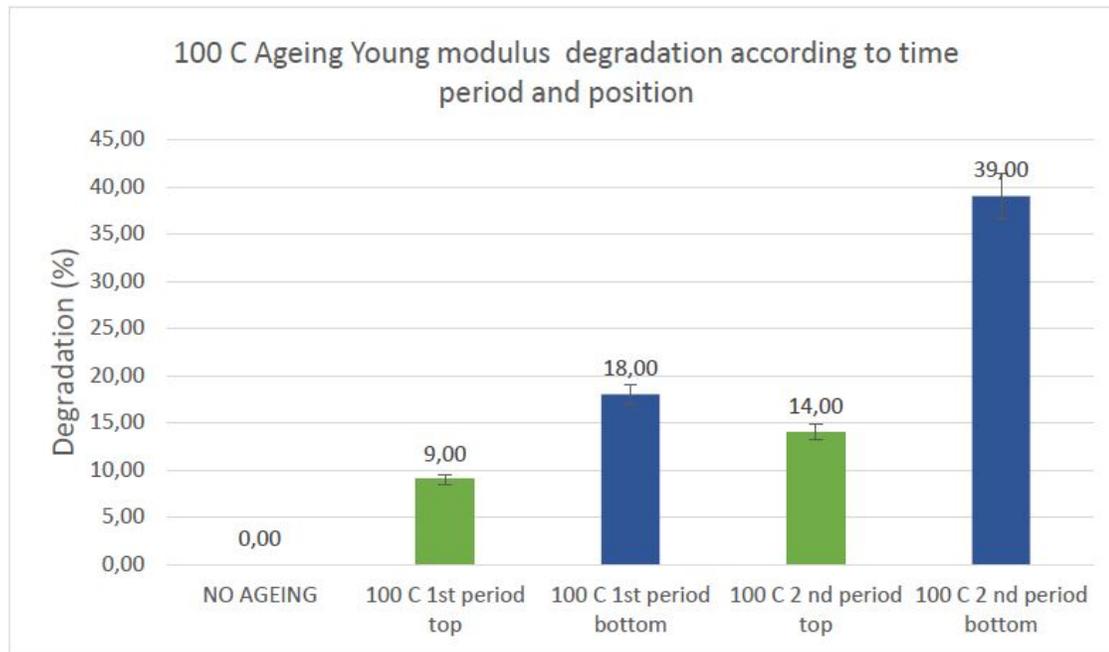
## Flexural resistance



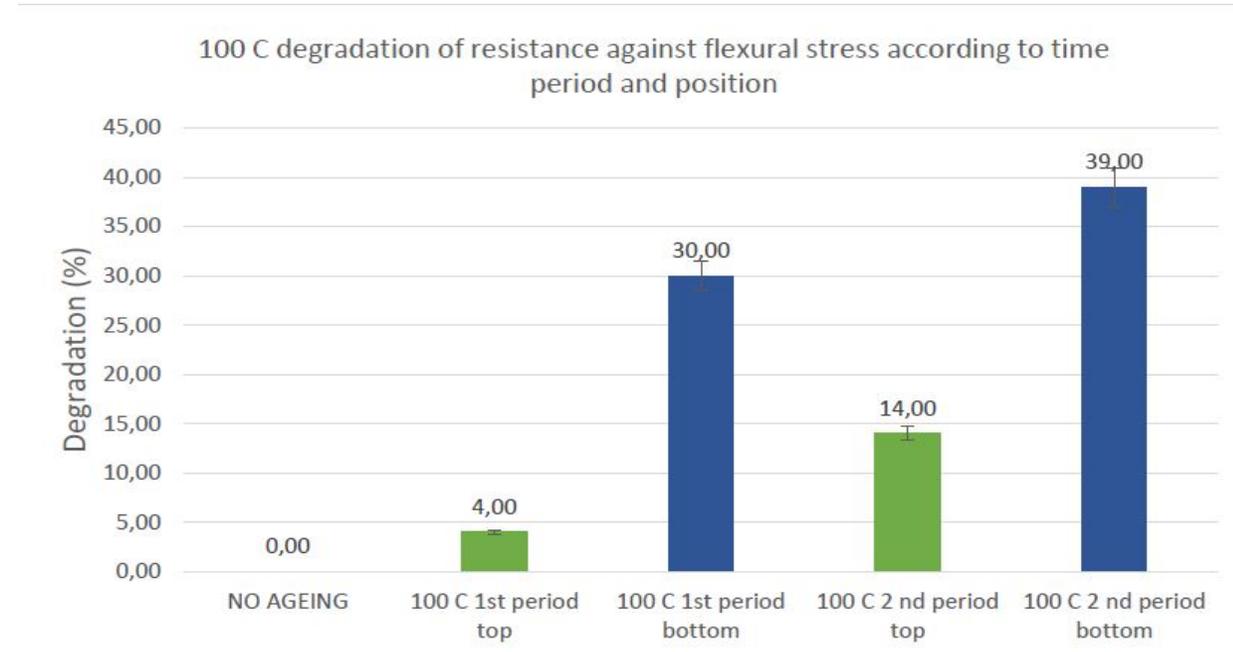
# Mechanical Behavior of Aged Composites

- Results > Change of Young modulus and resistance against flexural stress at 100C°

## Modulus



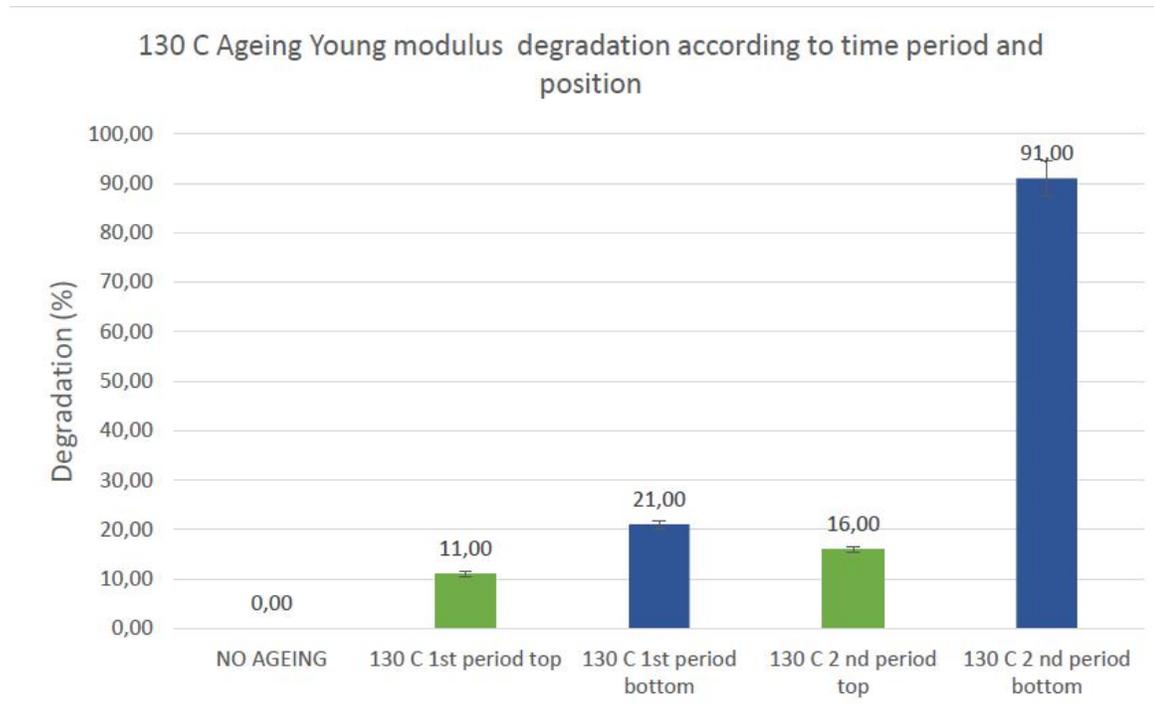
## Flexural resistance



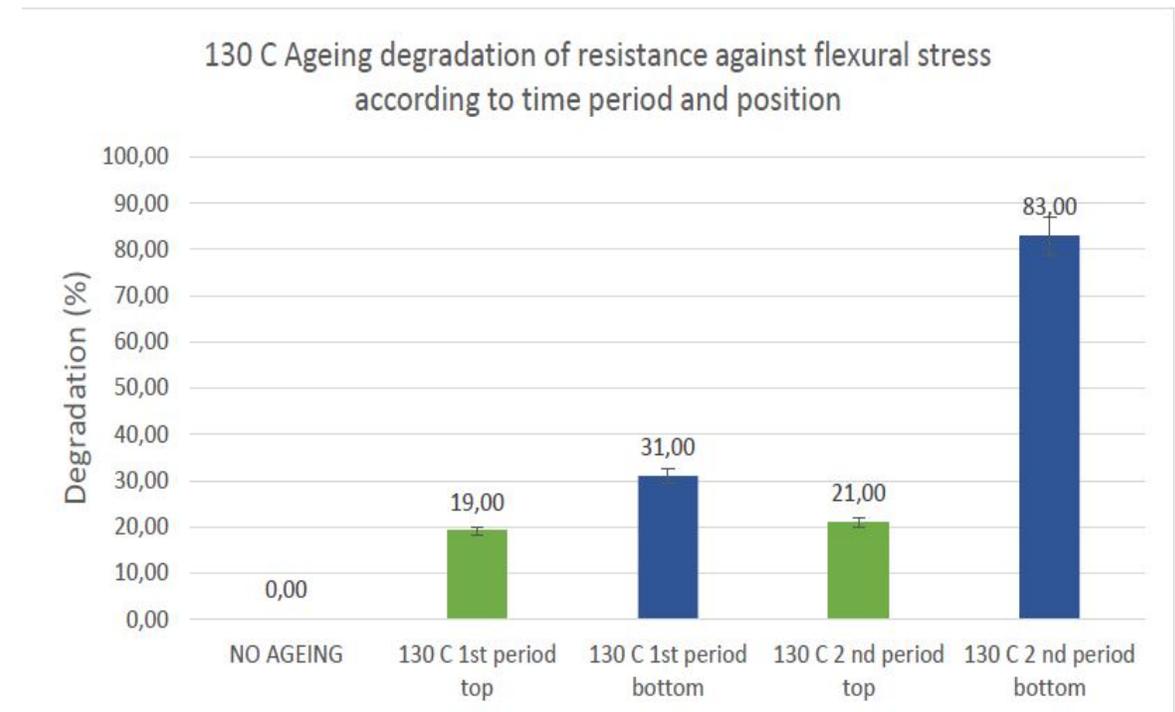
# Mechanical Behavior of Aged Composites

- Results > Change of Young modulus and resistance against flexural stress at 130C°

## Modulus



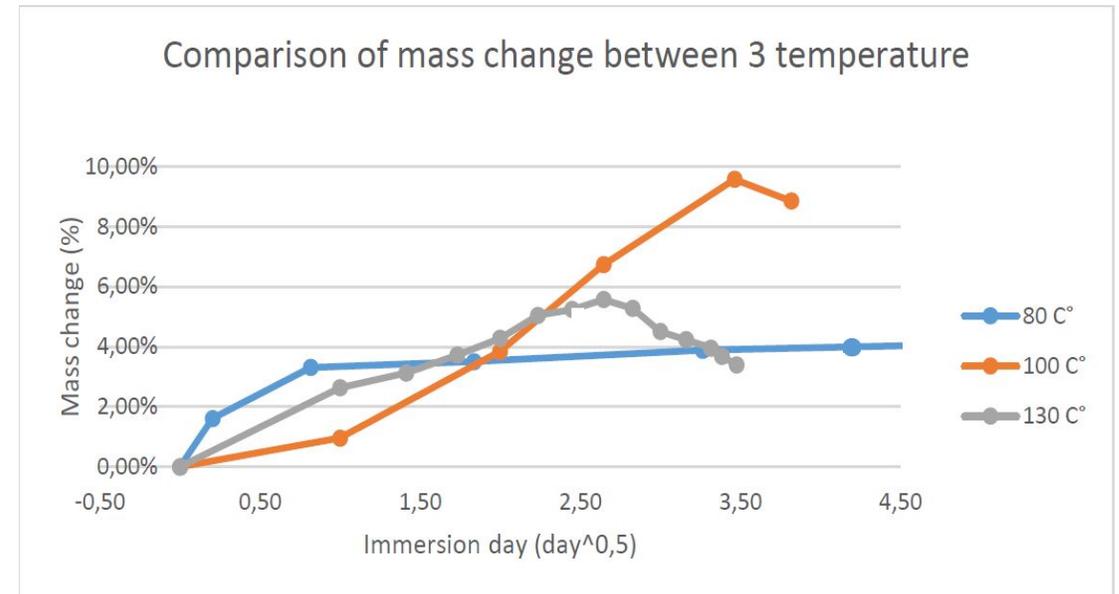
## Flexural resistance



# Analysis of the Results

## Mass change

- Effect of the temperature
- Effect of the time

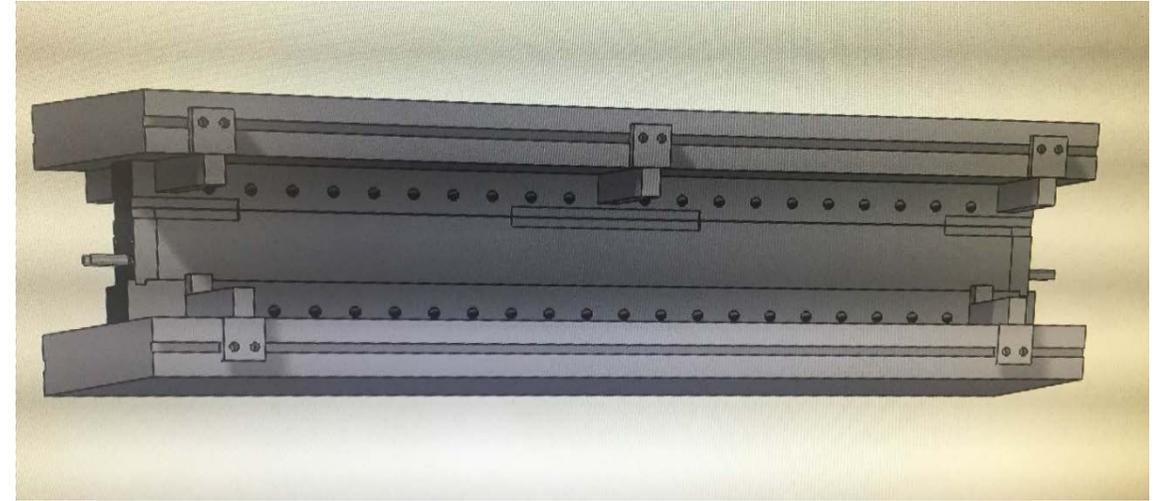


## Conclusion

- Concerning the study shows that at the thermal effect, an increase in temperature changing the damage to the structure and causes a decrease in its mechanical properties.
- Experiment shows that the time is a factor influences differently with different temperatures about degradation of the material.

## Future Work

- Thermo-mechanical recycling
- Investigation of convenience of the method



Thank you...



Questions ?