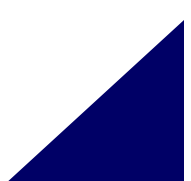


FTIR Detection of Outgassing Chemicals: Instantaneous and Comprehensive Identification and Quantitation

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3M *Innovation*

Airborne Molecular Contaminants (AMC)

- **Sources:** plastics, tapes, adhesives, pumps, process chemicals, solvents, people, etc.
- **Effects:** corrosion, hazing, molecular contamination, adhesion, etc.

Major Issue :

How do you quantitate and speciate molecular compounds that are “outgassed” from disk drive materials in a timely manner.

An Innovative New Alternative to
Existing Technologies

Static Headspace with Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) Detection

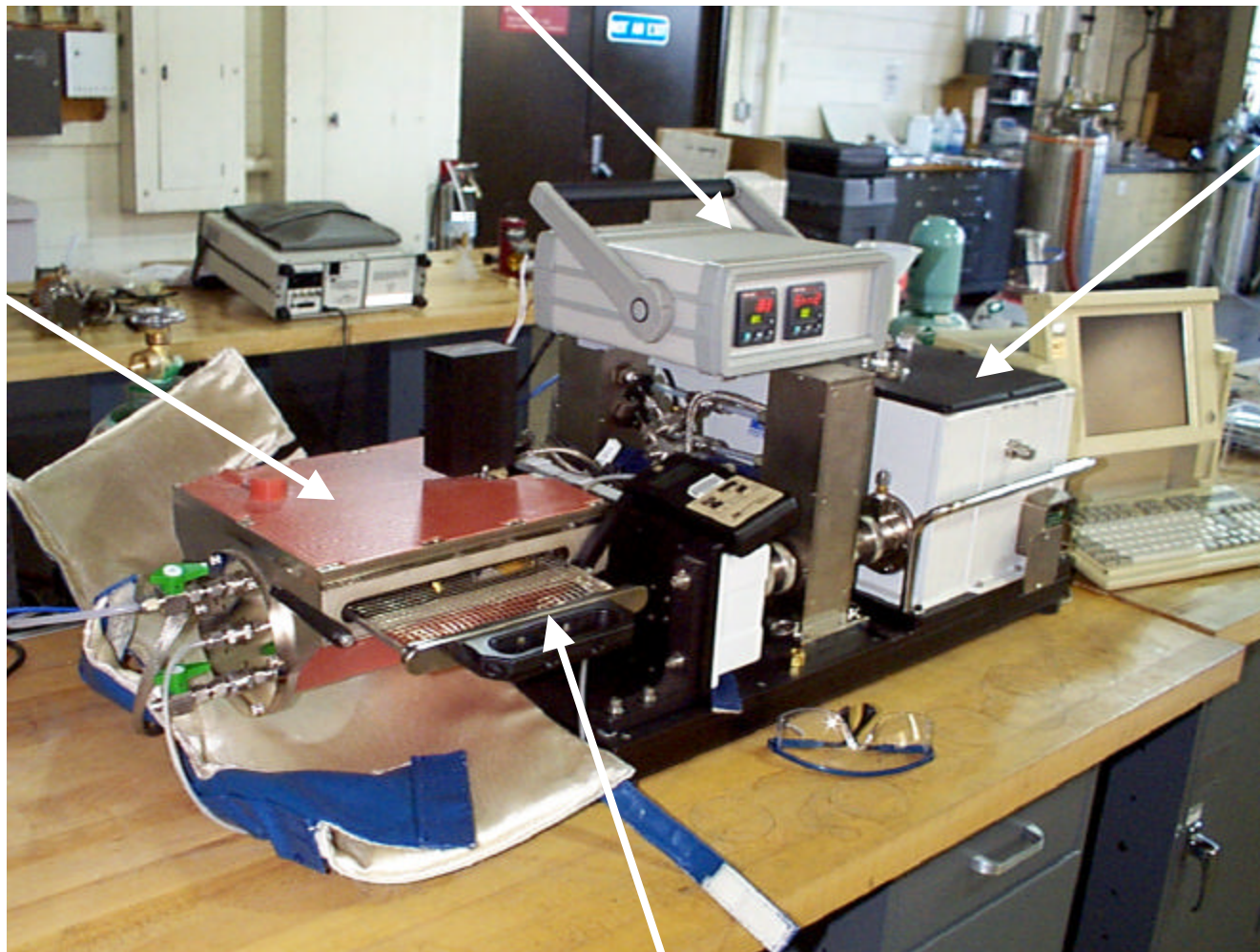
- Detection of acids, bases, volatiles and semi-volatiles simultaneously.
- Quantitation and identification of compounds.
- Fast collection and analysis time - manufacturing requirement.
- Low detection limits as required by the microelectronics industry.
- Rugged method and instrumentation for plant application.
- Simple equipment maintenance and operation.

3M Proprietary FTIR Static Headspace (SHS)

temperature controller

infrared
source
and
detector

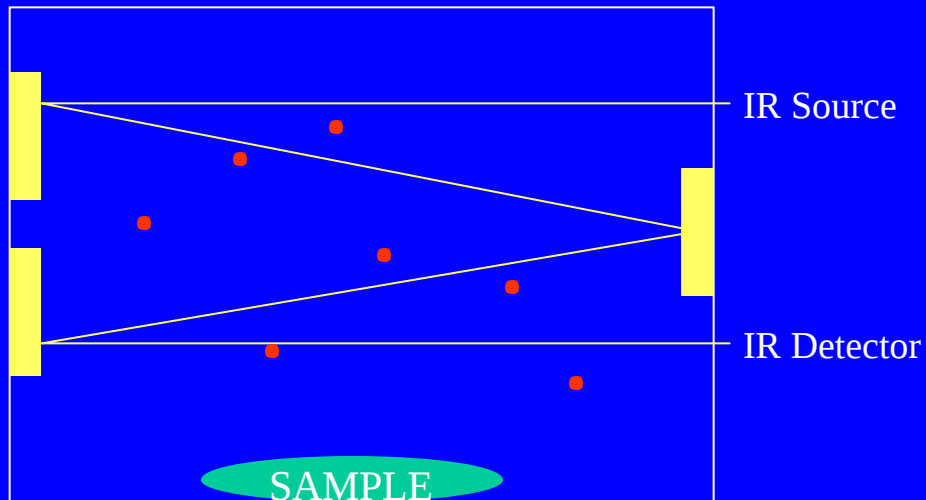
heated
4.5 L
chamber



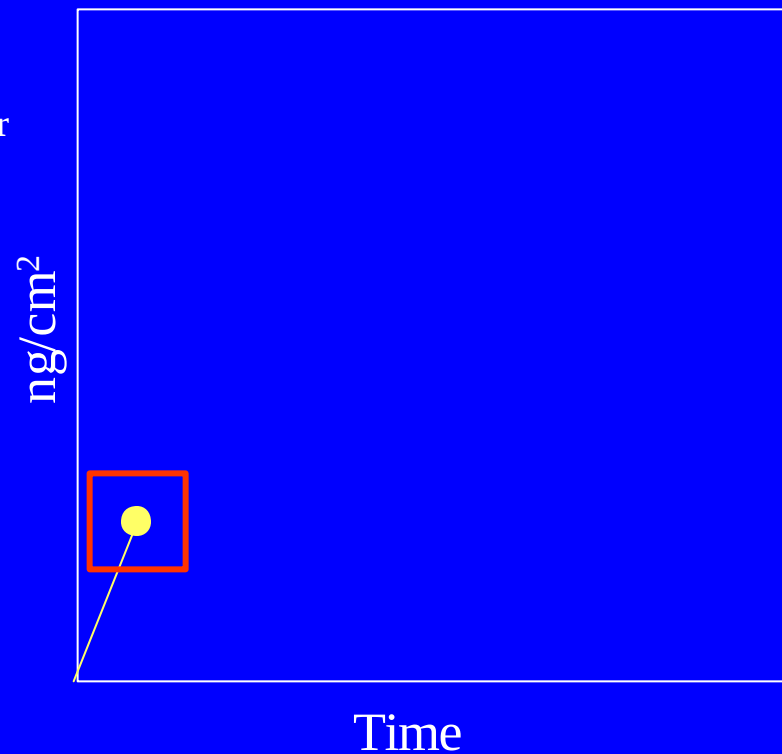
sample drawer

FTIR Static Headspace (SHS): Outgassing Profile

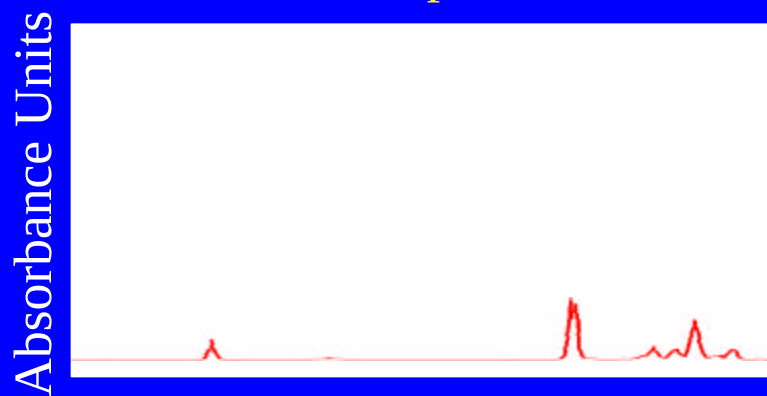
FTIR Static HS Gas Cell



Total Cumulative
Outgassing vs Time

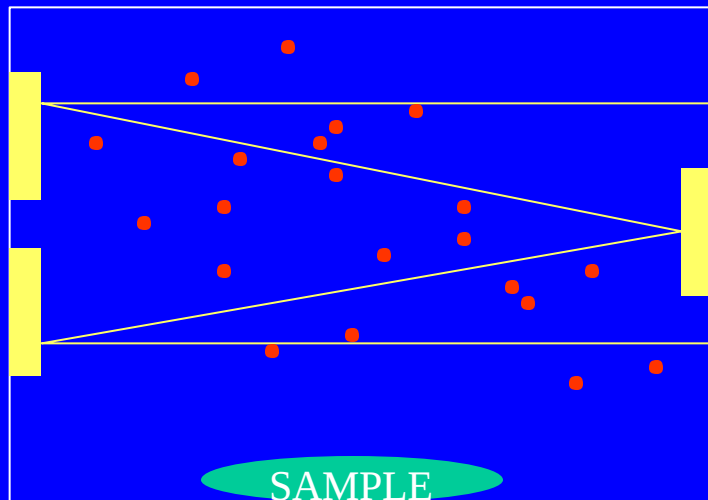


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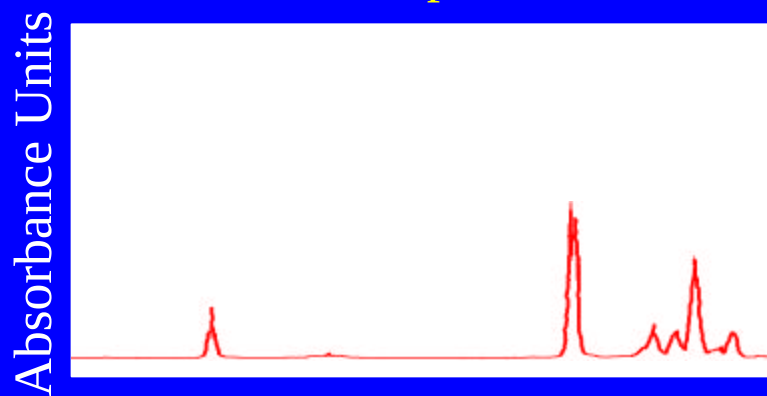


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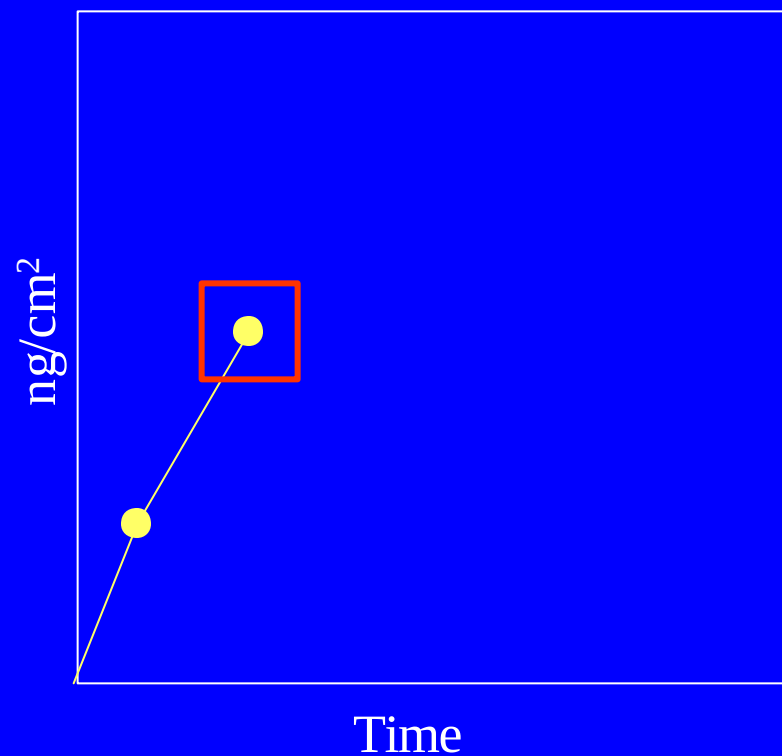
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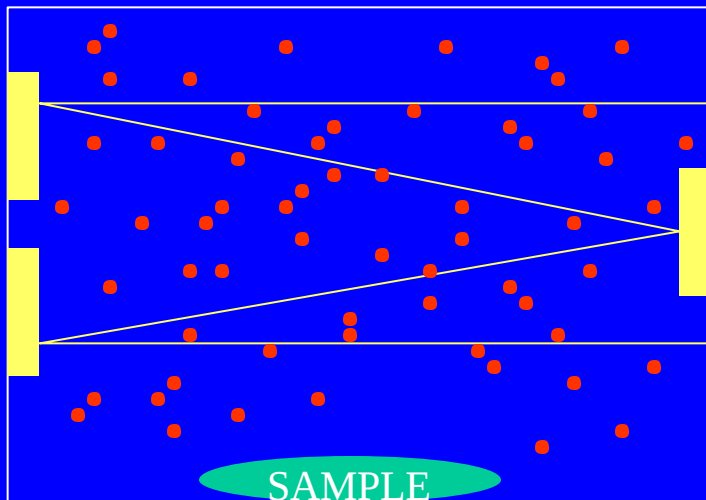


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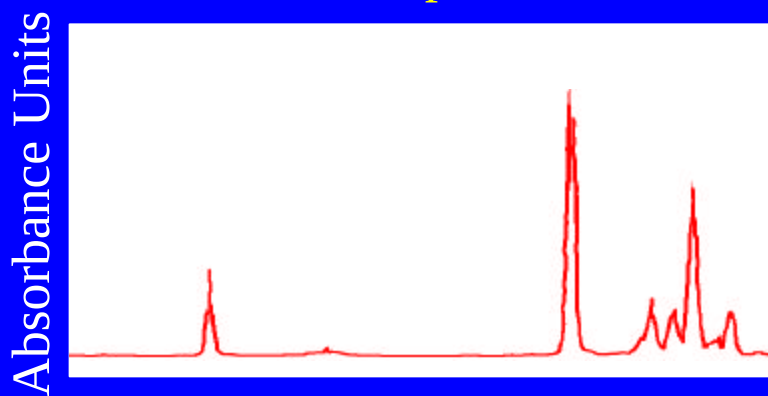


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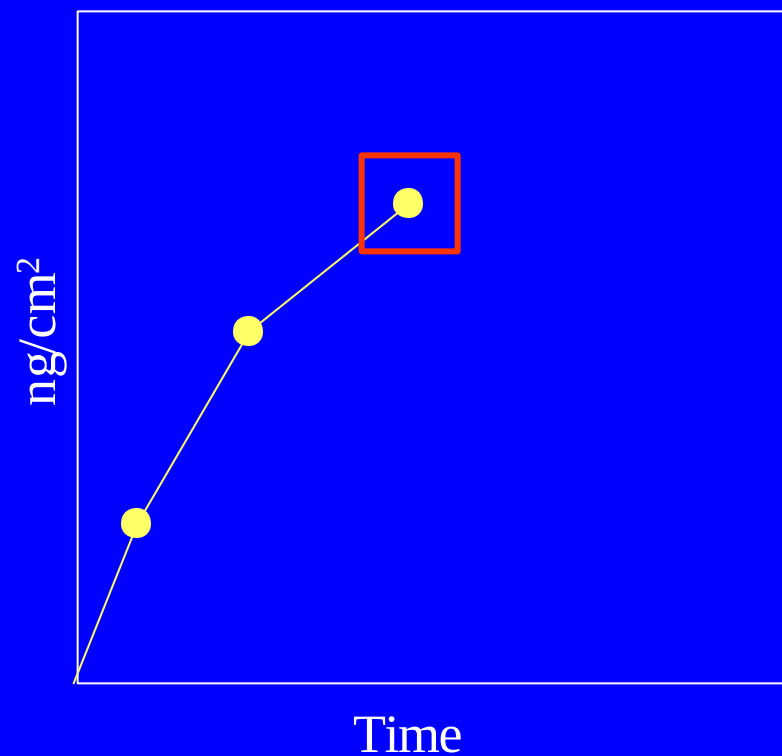
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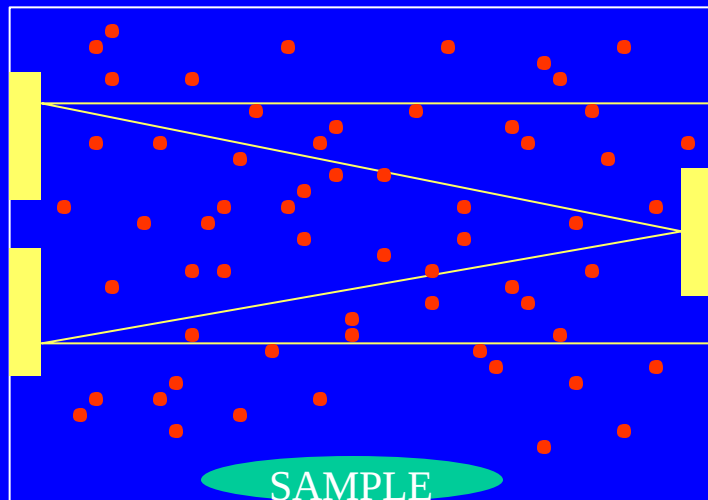


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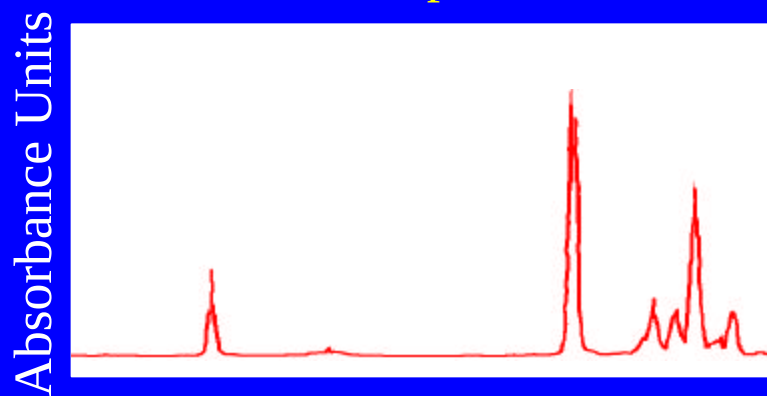


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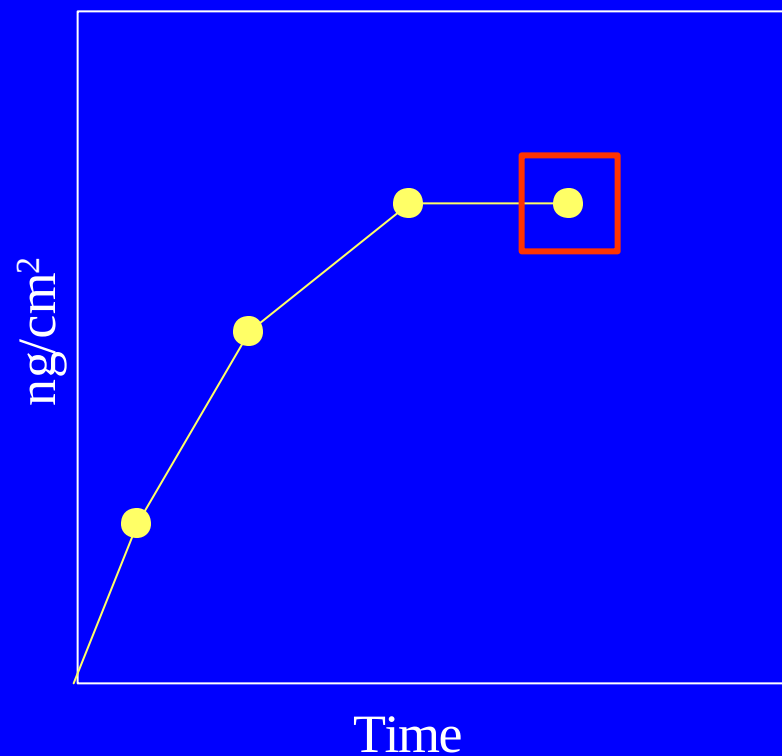
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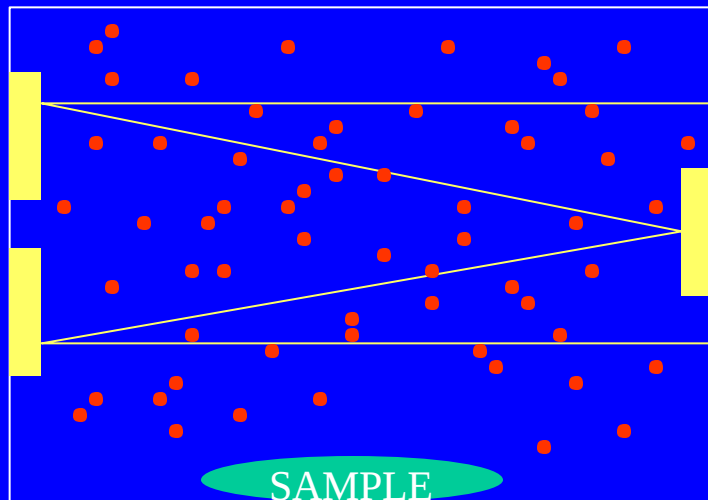


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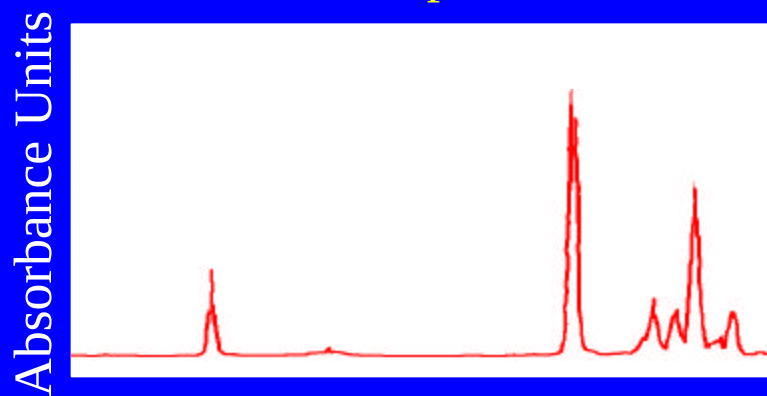


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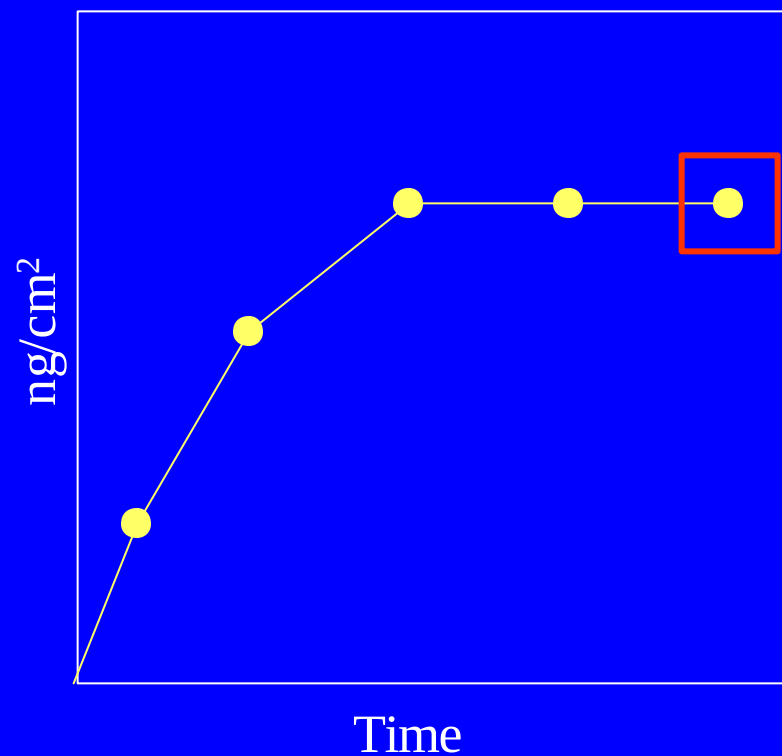
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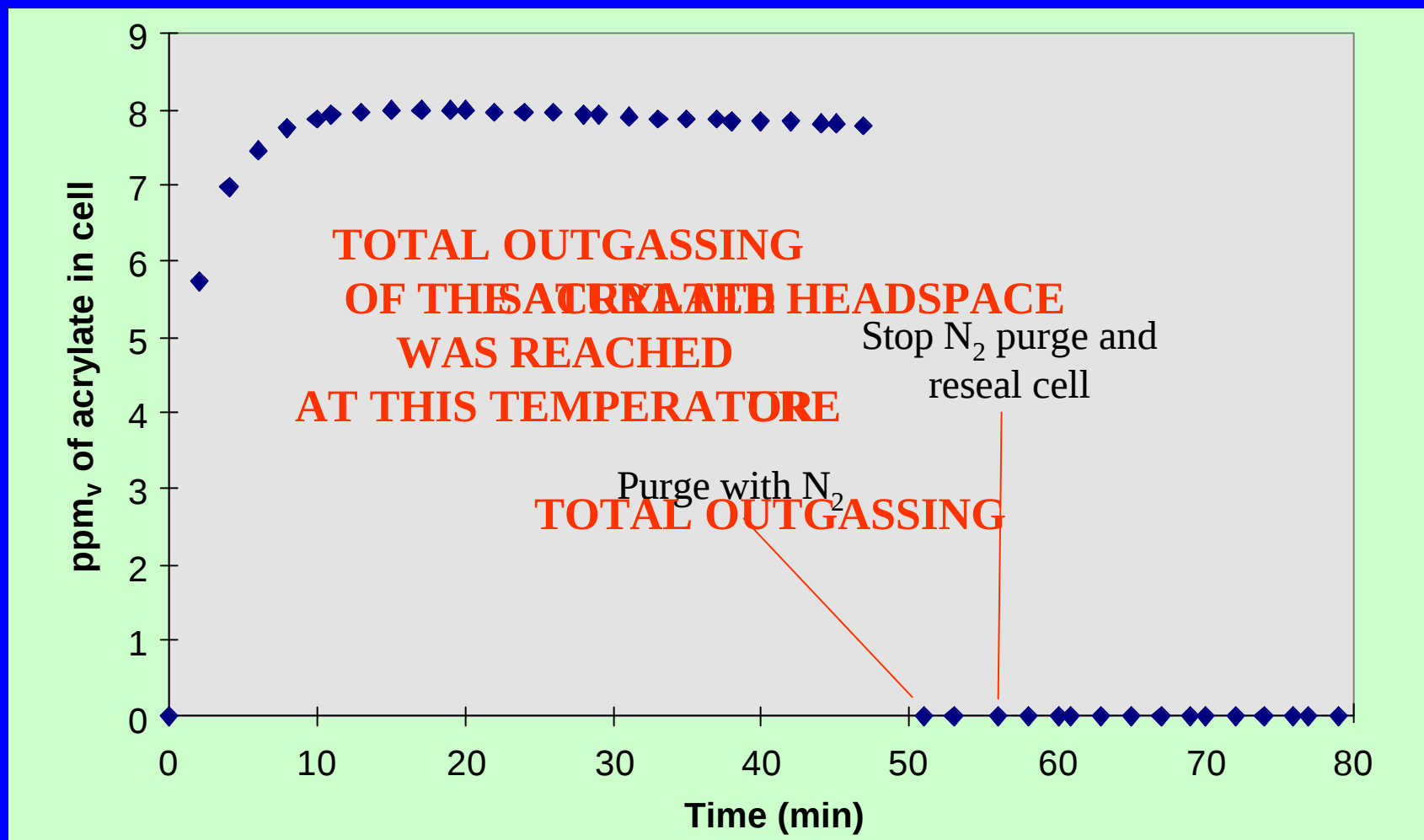
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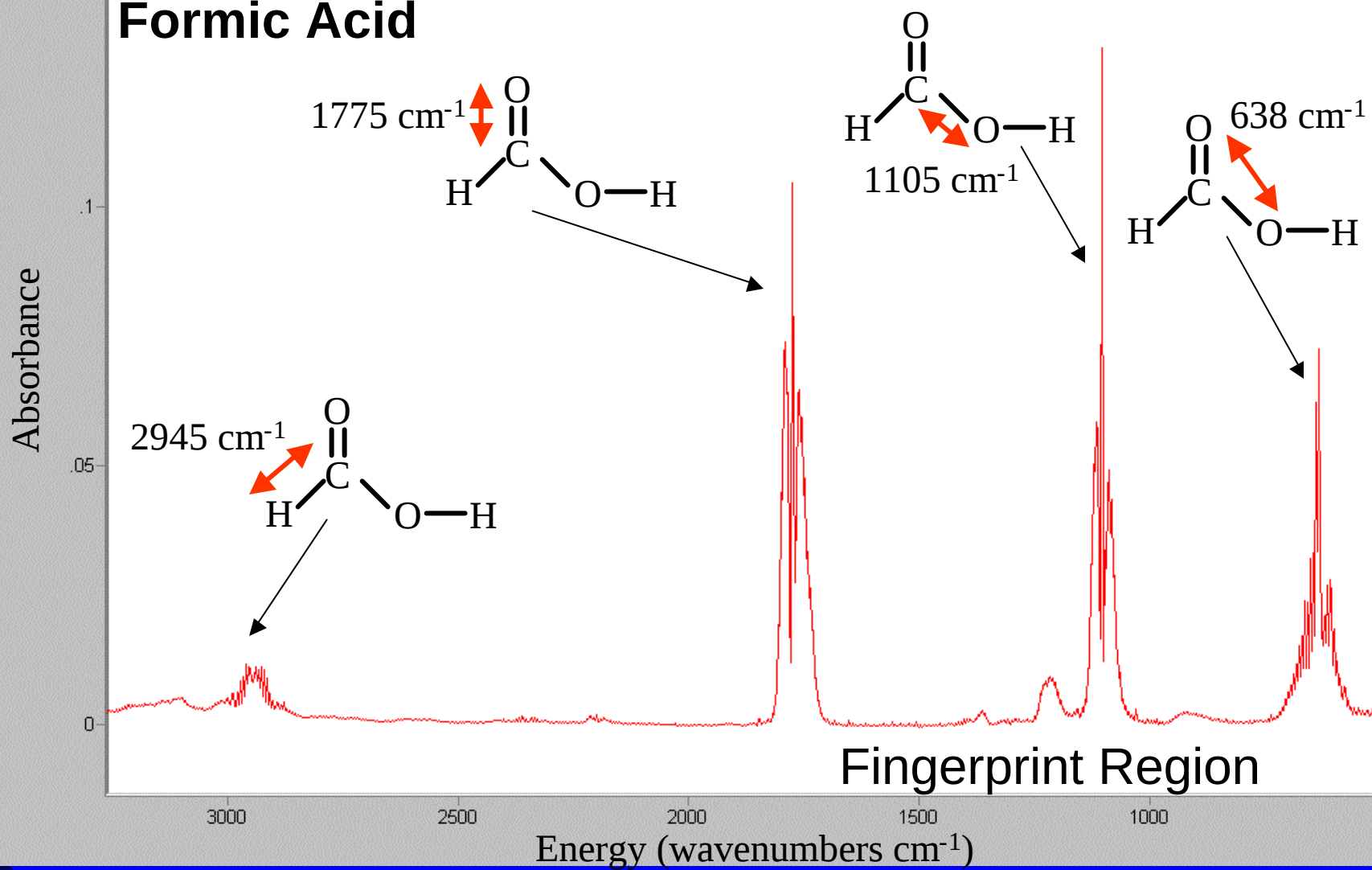
Determination of Extent of Outgassing in SHS FTIR



Label Tape at 85 C

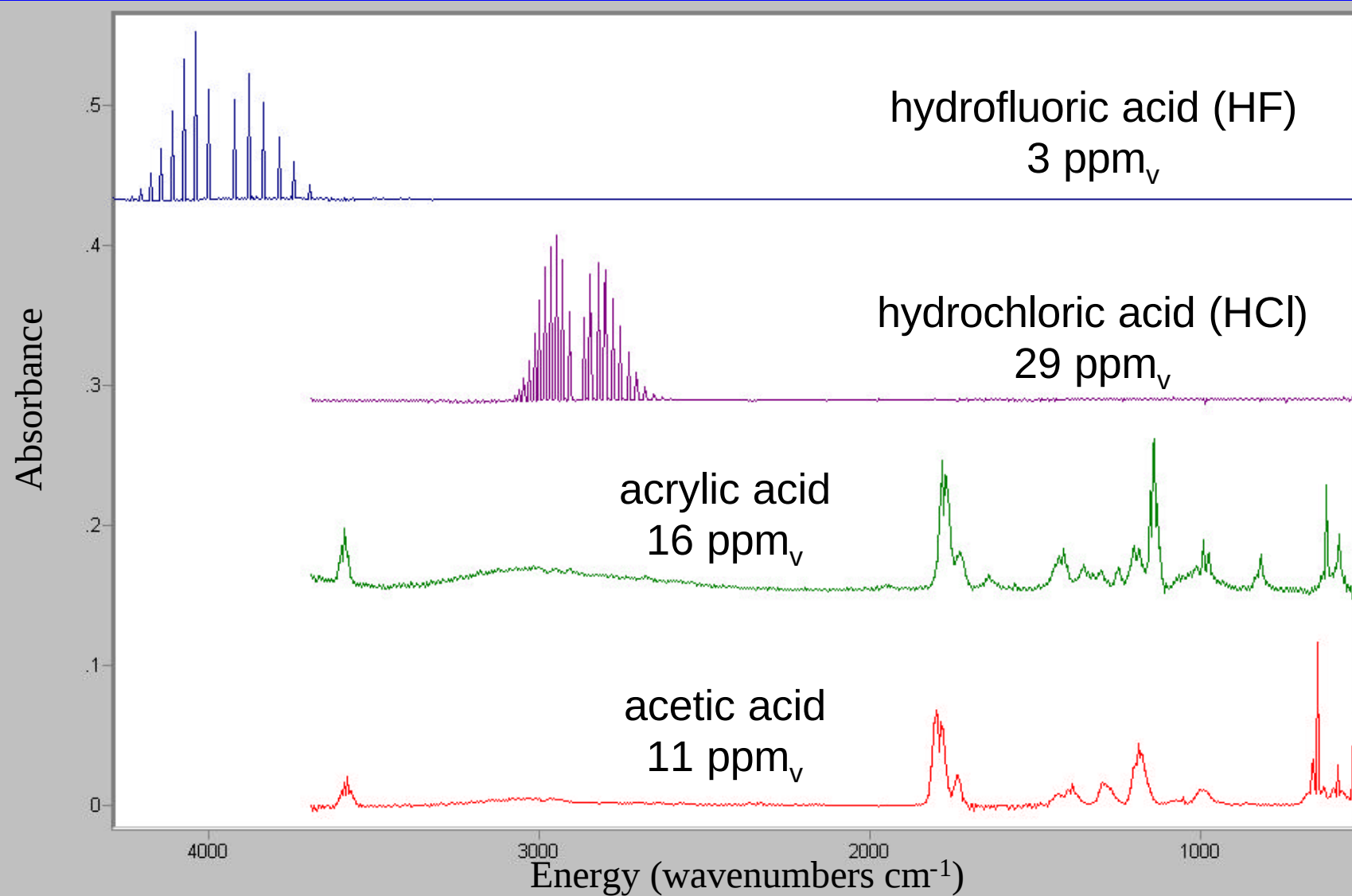
The Basic Principle of Infrared Spectroscopy

Formic Acid

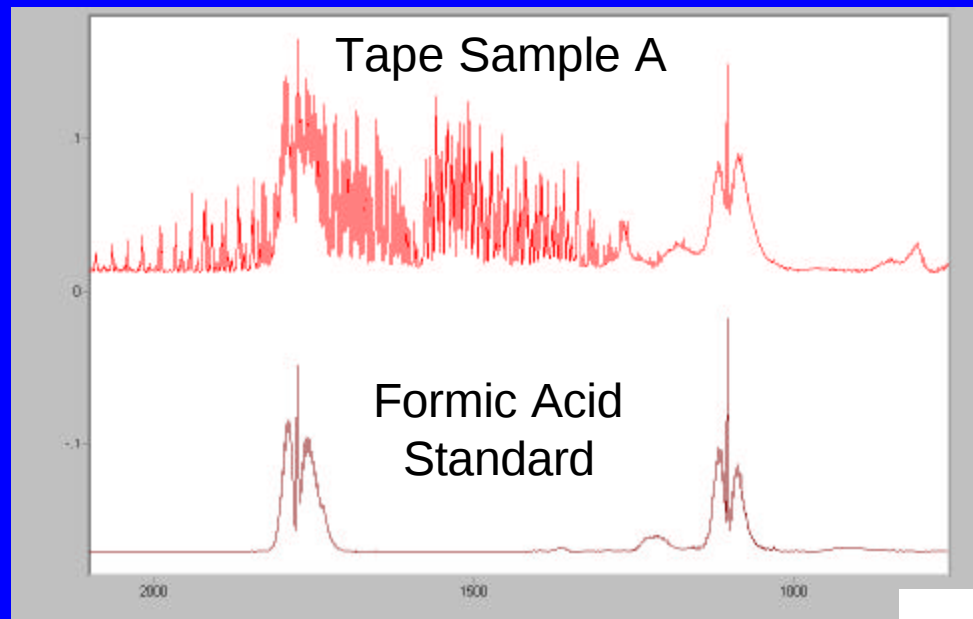


FTIR Detection of Acids

Collection Time < 2 minutes



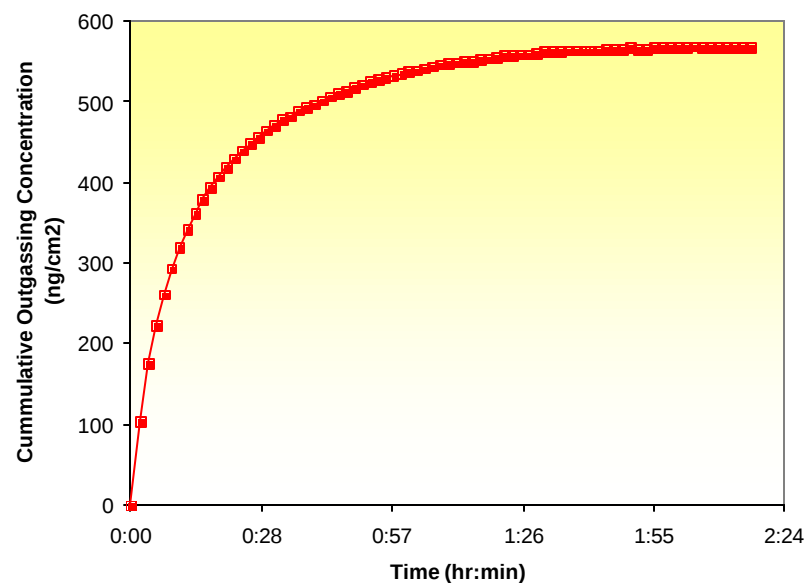
Example of Outgassing Acids in Tape Products



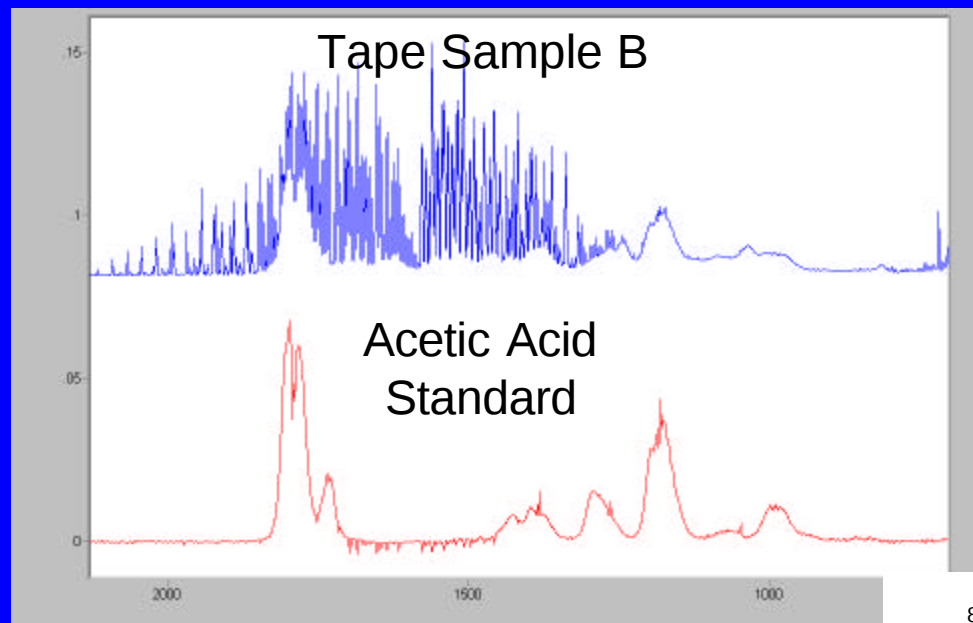
FTIR outgassing
spectra of a tape
sample and standard
at 85 °C

Formic acid detected in
outgas after **2 minutes**.

Fully outgassed at 570
ng/cm² or 41 ppm_w
after 120 minutes.



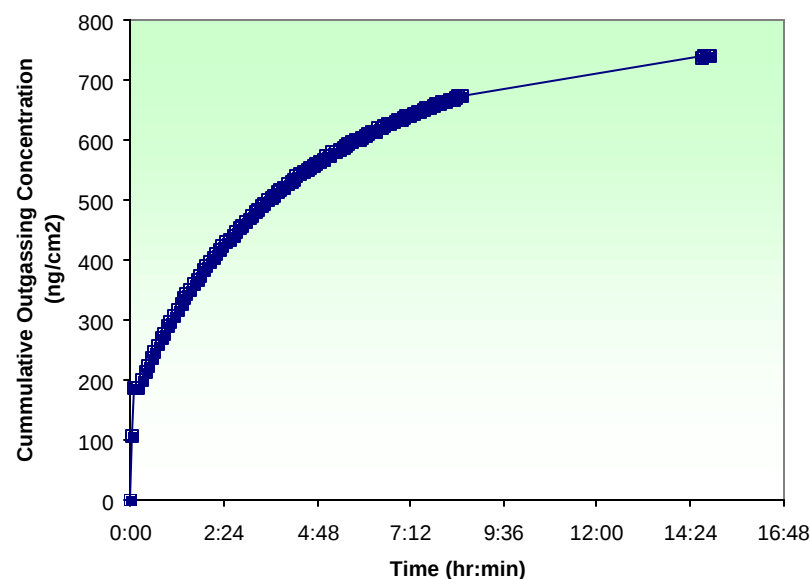
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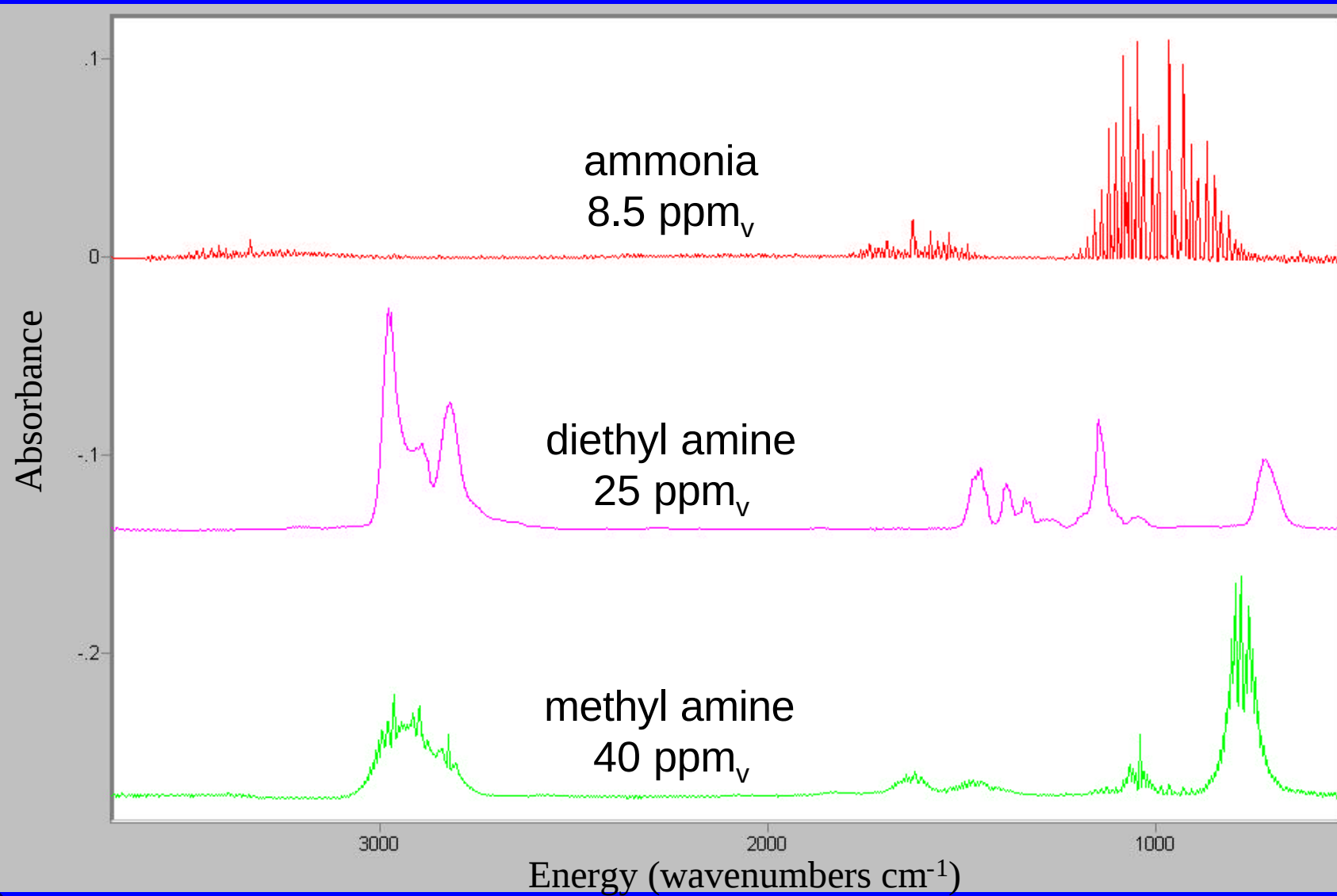
Acetic acid detected in
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Fully outgassed at 740
ng/cm² or 33 ppm_w
after 14 hours.

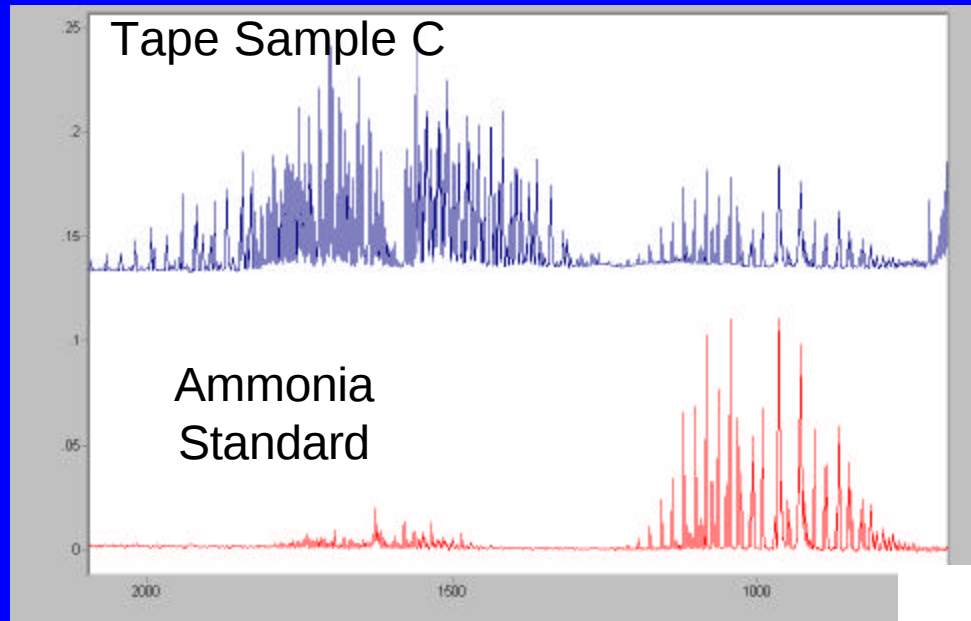


FTIR Detection of Bases

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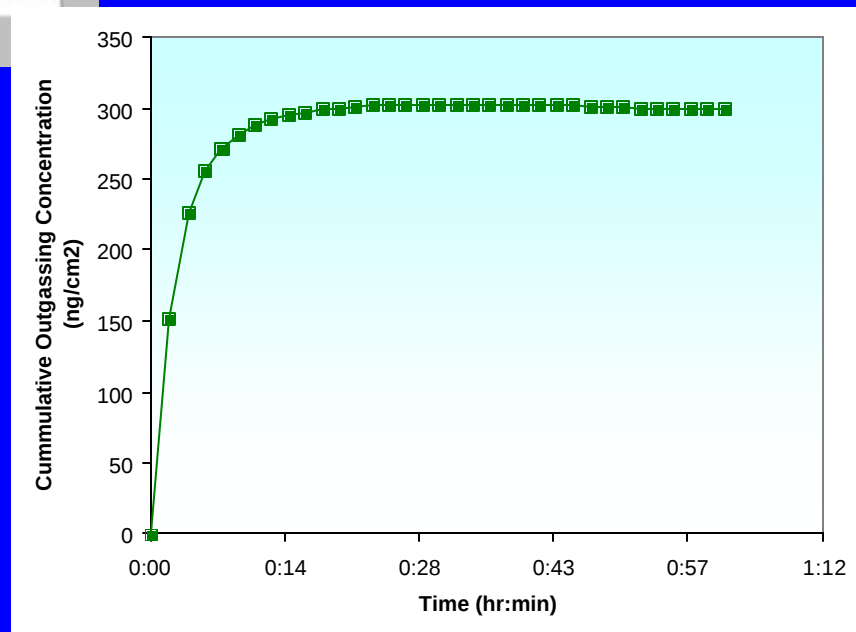
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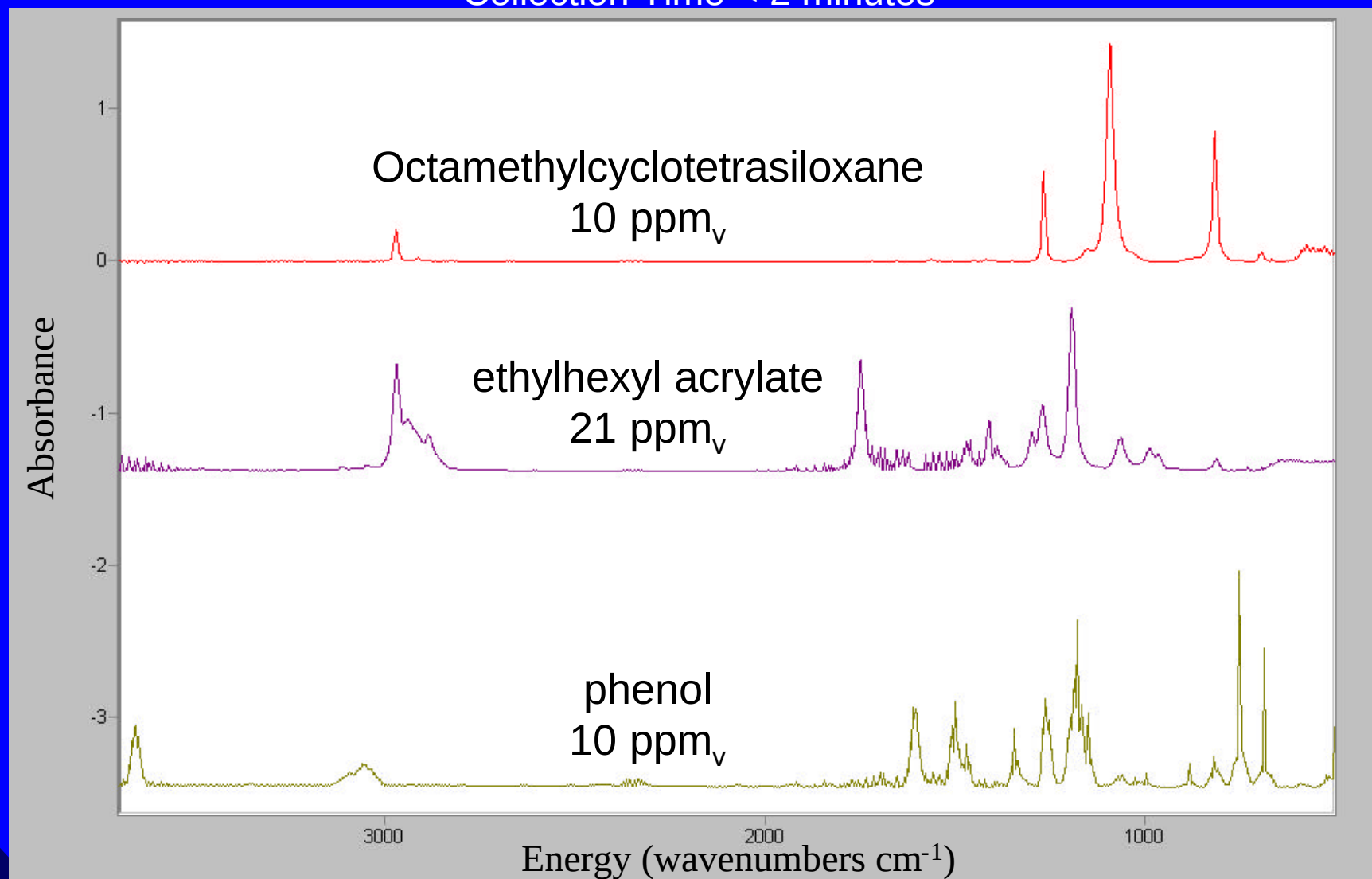
Ammonia detected in
outgas after **2 minutes**.

Fully outgassed at 245
ng/cm² or 32 ppm_w
after 30 minutes.

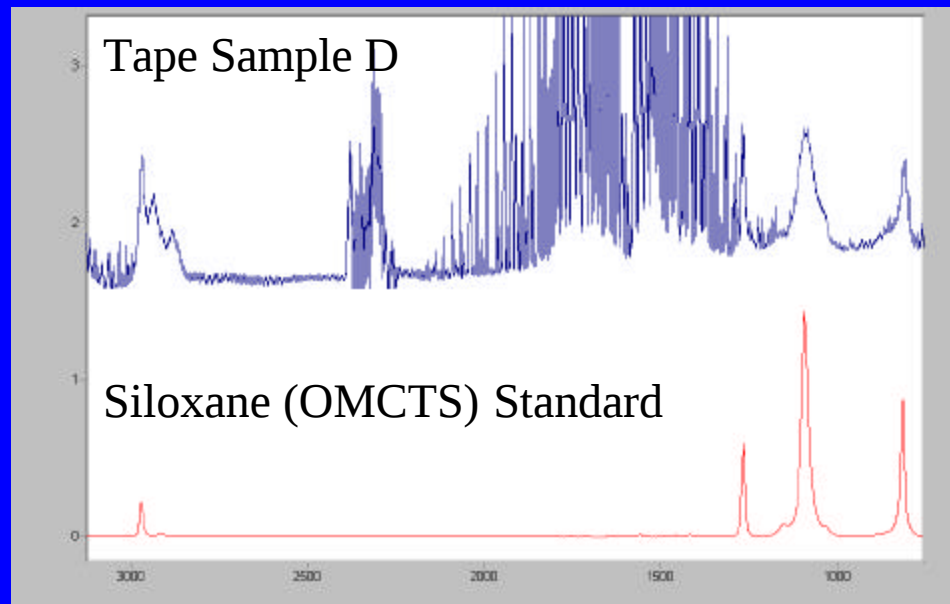


FTIR Detection of Semi-Volatiles

Collection Time < 2 minutes



Example of Outgassing Semi-Volatiles in Tape Products

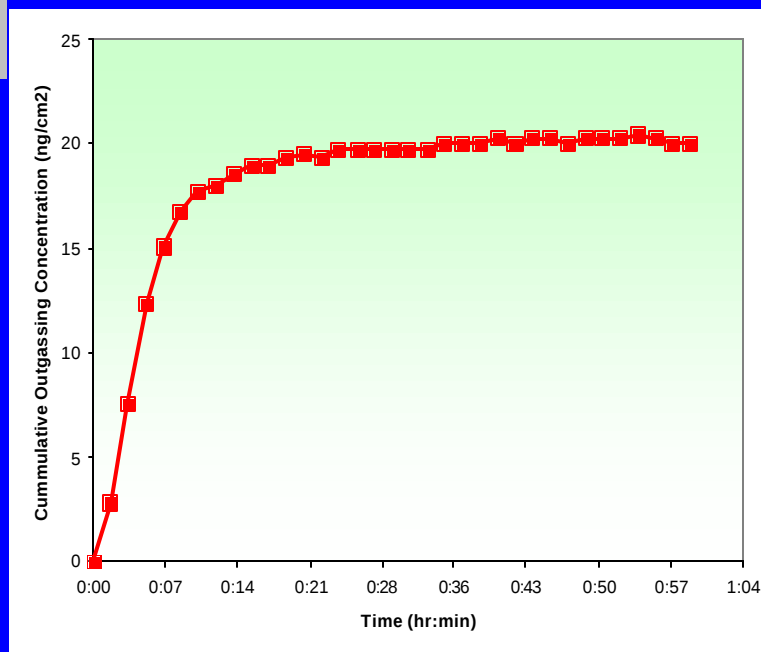


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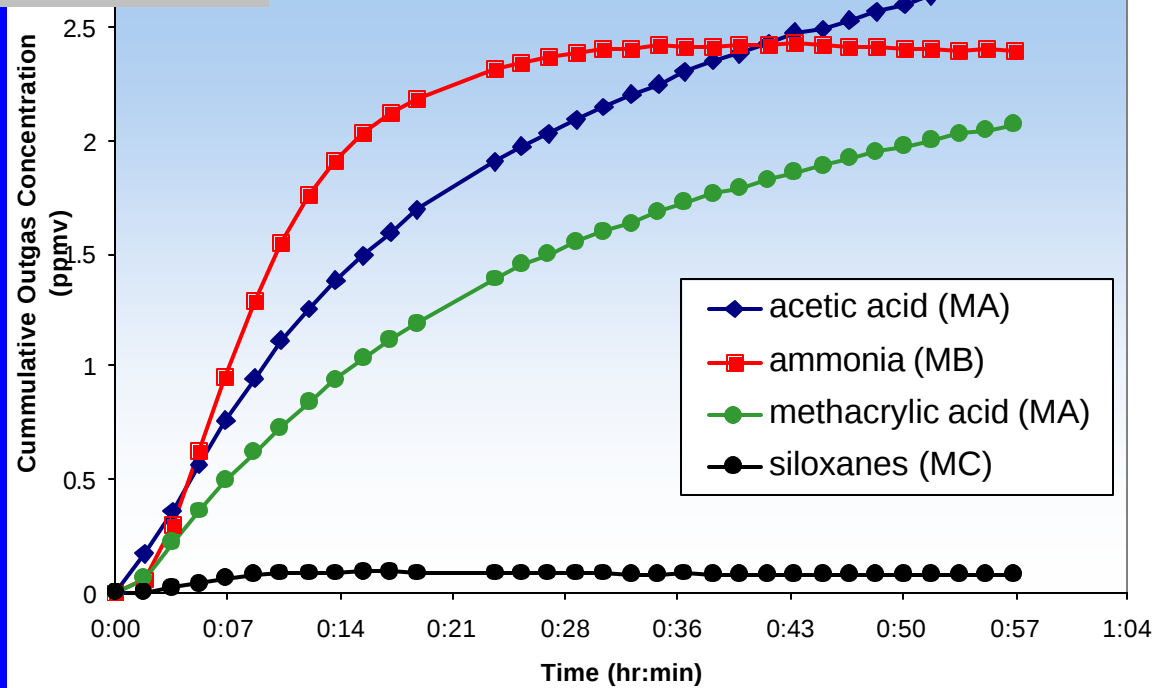
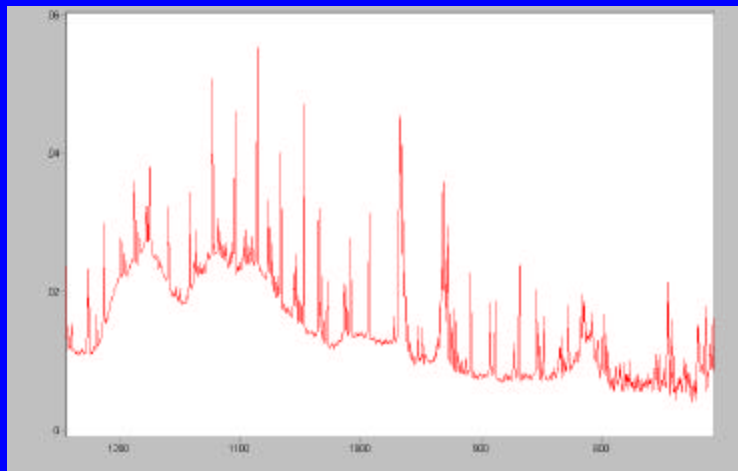
Note: OMCTS is a surrogate
standard for all siloxanes through the
800 cm⁻¹ band.

Siloxanes detected in
outgas after **2 minutes**.

Fully outgassed at 20
ng/cm² or 2 ppm_w
after 30 minutes.



Simultaneous Detection of Multiple Compounds in Tape Samples



FTIR Static Headspace

- Can quantitate and speciate, in a timely manner, molecular compounds that are “outgassed” from materials destined for the hard disk drive.
- Useful on manufacturing floor for routine evaluation of semi-finished or finished goods for unwanted contaminants and control charting.
- Useful in product development and product certification activities.