



➤ Migration modeling related to food contact materials: present and future

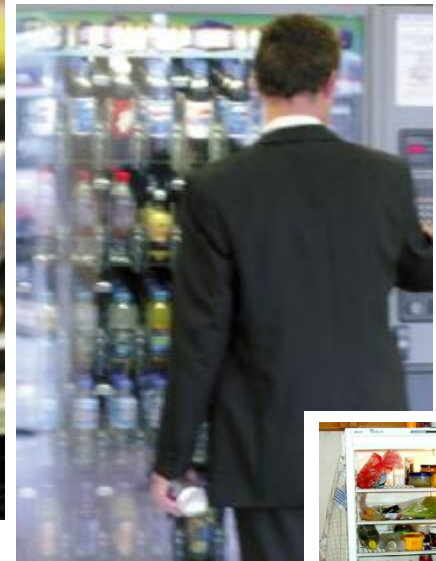
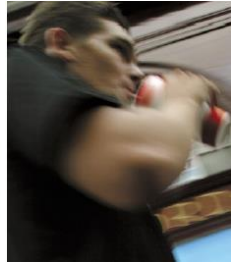
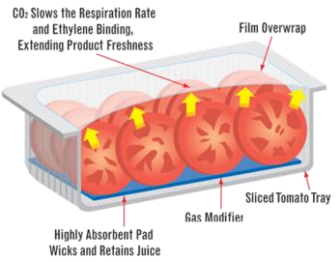
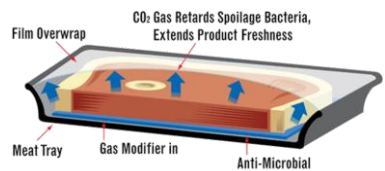
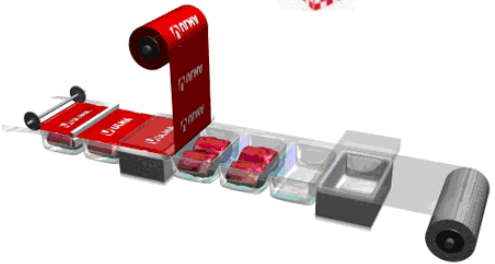
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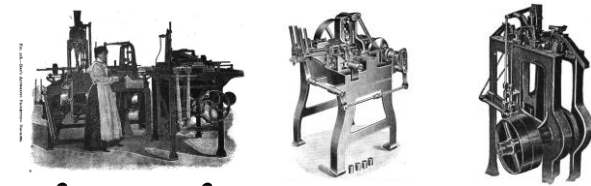
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➤ Food inertia: a long history

The 1908 regulation: "...no food substance shall contain any harmful product, chemical..."



L'ART DE CONSERVER,

PENDANT PLUSIEURS ANNÉES,

TOUTES LES SUBSTANCES ANIMALES ET VÉGÉTALES;

OUVRAGE soumis au Bureau consultatif des Arts et Manufactures, revêtu de son approbation, et publié sur l'invitation de S. Exc. le Ministre de l'intérieur.

PAR APPERT,

Propriétaire à Massy, Département de Seine et Oise, ancien Confiseur et Distillateur, élève de la bouche de la Maison ducale de Christian IV.

« J'ai pensé que votre découverte méritait un témoignage particulier de la bienveillance du Gouvernement ».

Lettre de S. Exc. le Ministre de l'intérieur.

A PARIS,

CHEZ PATRIS ET C^e IMPRIMEURS-LIBRAIRES, QUAI NAPOLÉON, AU COIN DE LA RUE DE LA COLOMBE, N^o 4.

1810.

8^{me} ANNÉE. — N^o 49

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LA CONSERVE ALIMENTAIRE

Bulletin mensuel de Vulgarisation Théorique et Pratique de Fabrication

PARAISANT LE 15 DE CHAQUE MOIS

Rédigé par un groupe de Fabricants-Industriels et de Chefs d'Emplois de cette Industrie



Nicolas APPERT
(1750-1841)

École Nationale D'INDUSTRIE ALIMENTAIRE Nicolas Appert

COMITÉ DE DIRECTION
Bourse du Commerce
— Paris —

L'idée de la création de cette école dont nous avons été les plus fervents propagandistes vient d'être mise définitivement au point par un groupe de praticiens, de chimistes et d'agronomes distingués qui vont en assurer le fonctionnement.

L'enseignement sera tout à la fois théorique et pratique.

Dans la voie pratique, le Comité de Direction se propose, non pas d'organiser une usine de fabrication de conserves et de produits alimentaires divers, destinée à concurrencer l'industrie libre, mais de créer des laboratoires d'essais et d'enseignement que dirigera un praticien qualifié et où chaque fabricant pourra venir se documenter et concourir aux progrès de la science alimentaire.

Les essais théoriques seront dirigés par un technologue éminent, M. CARLONIS, chef de laboratoire à l'Institut Pasteur.

Une très large place sera réservée, dans l'enseignement à la question des machines, appareils et ustensiles employés par l'industrie alimentaire. Un ingénieur diplômé, M. RAYMOND MONOT, des usines de Dédricch, est chargé d'organiser cette partie du programme.

M. MORÉAL DE BRÉVANS, le distingué sous-directeur du laboratoire municipal, a bien voulu se charger de l'enseignement si important de la chimie appliquée à l'alimentation.

Enfin M. ED. JACQUET, ingénieur-agronome, administrateur de l'école, occupera la chaire de professeur d'« Alimentation Commerciale ».

Ajoutons que notre bulletin transformé en revue bi-mensuelle à laquelle collaboreront désormais les personnalités ci-dessus, devient le Bulletin Officiel de l'École.

En un mot et suivant l'exemple d'autres pays, une université nouvelle et bien moderne vient de naître en France, celle de l'Industrie Alimentaire. Cette industrie quitte ainsi, définitivement, le domaine empirique pour rentrer dans celui des sciences exactes, où elle avait

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LA CONSERVE ALIMENTAIRE

sa place déjà marquée par les exigences et le progrès sans cesse grandissants de la vie contemporaine.

Pour le Comité de Direction :
Aug. CORTHAY.

Causerie Professionnelle par Nicolas APPERT

Méfions-nous des Conservés Étrangères

Nous donnons ci-dessous la traduction d'un extrait du passage que M. Hamel consacre à la législation et l'inspection des conserves alimentaires au Canada, dans le traité qu'il publie en ce moment. (Modern practice of canning meats):

« Comparés avec les règlements qui régissent l'inspection des conserves alimentaires aux Etats-Unis et en Europe, ceux du Canada sont encore à l'état embryonnaire.

Pour protéger les fabricants Canadiens contre la concurrence des Etats-Unis, il était nécessaire de créer une législation, au moins sur le papier.

« Je ne parle pas ici de l'inspection des viandes fraîches qui est soumise à un groupe de savants et de vétérinaires de valeur.

« Mais l'acheteur éclairé de conserves alimentaires quelles qu'elles soient, viandes, poissons, fruits ou légumes est loin d'avoir obtenu la même sécurité.

« Le règlement en date de 1908 qui régit l'inspection des conserves alimentaires nous dit :

Aucune substance alimentaire ne doit contenir de produit nuisible, produits chimiques, colorants ou antiseptiques, et plus loin on nous dit : Il sera fourni aux Inspecteurs par les soins du Ministère de l'Agriculture les noms des antiseptiques et colorants inoffensifs dont l'emploi est permis. L'addition de tout autre empêchera le produit de recevoir l'étiquette constatant l'inspection.

« Nous comprenons bien que les chimistes du Ministère sont là pour condamner tout produit alimentaire où l'analyse révélerait la présence d'un produit chimique dangereux, mais pour ceux qui sont au courant des discussions en cours entre les hygiénistes les plus distingués du monde entier au sujet de la plus ou moins grande nocivité de tel ou tel antiseptique, la satisfaction est maigre.

« Je répète que le fabricant de conserves en boîtes n'a pas besoin d'antiseptiques pour assurer la conservation indéfinie de ses produits. La stérilisation lui suffit.

« Pourquoi donc ne pas faire comprendre au monde entier que les mots « CANADA APPROVED » de l'étiquette signifient absence entière de substances nuisibles, aussi bien dans les conserves que dans les viandes fraîches.

« Que si quelques antiseptiques sont considérés comme inoffensifs par le Ministère de l'Agriculture, pourquoi ne pas faire connaître au public comme aux fabricants le nom de ce qui est permis et de ce qui est prohibé?

« Le règlement de 1908 ne prend nullement en considération la qualité de la soudure employée, pas plus que celle de l'acide, et il semble que sur ce point les japonais sont bien en avance sur nous lorsqu'ils donnent les commandes pour leur armée.

« Pour en finir, il semble que des instructions plus complètes auraient été pour le plus grand intérêt du fabricant lui-même, en donnant au public consommateur une garantie parfaite de sécurité. La consommation en aurait été accrue en regagnant la confiance des consommateurs qui sont peu confiants dans les conserves, généralement sans raisons, d'ailleurs. »

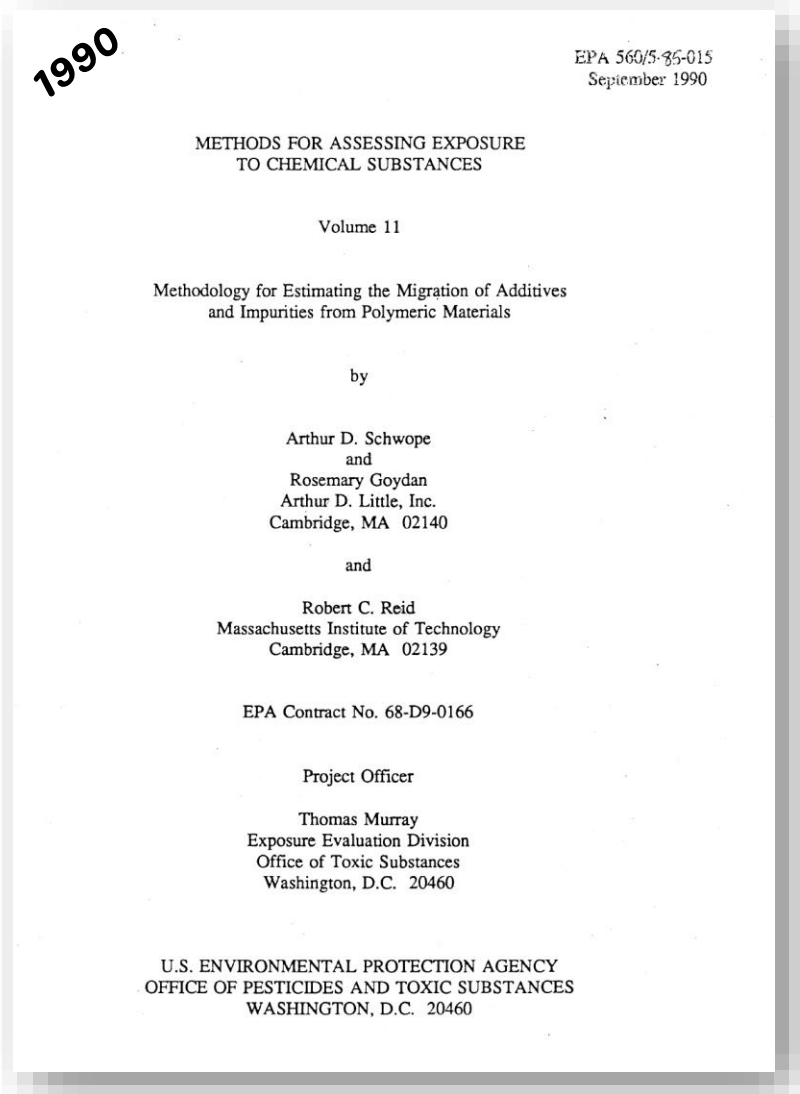
G. T. HAMEL, ingénieur.

L'auteur faisant une œuvre purement technique et non de polémique est évidemment très modéré. Mais pour qui lit entre les lignes et pour nous qui savons combien sont rares parmi le personnel de l'inspection les gens compétents, toutes les places étant prises par les politiciens, nous ne nous sentons pas rassurés.

➤ Assessing migration and exposure to chemicals

Recent history.

<https://nepis.epa.gov/Exec/DisplayURL.cgi?Dockey=P100BCMB.TXT>



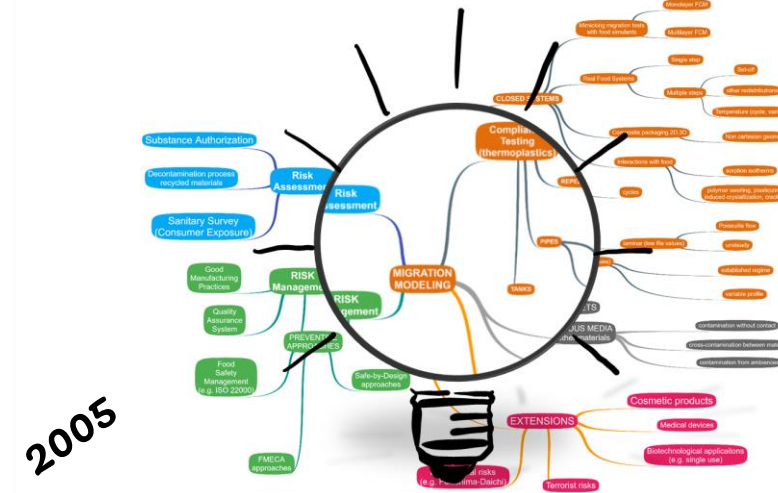
Food Additives and Contaminants, January 2005; 22(1): 73–90



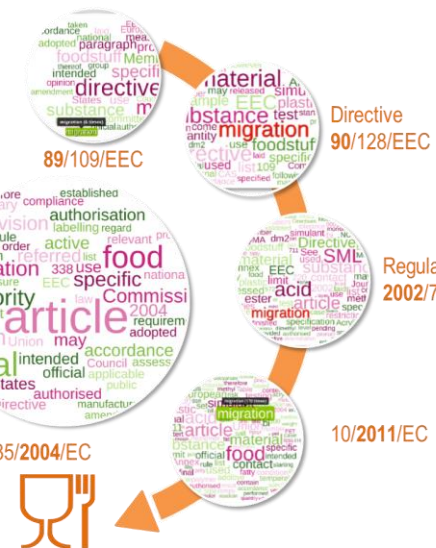
Evaluation of migration models that might be used in support of regulations for food-contact plastics

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➤ Is migration modeling a trusted science?



EU REGULATION 10/2011/EC on plastics

PLASTICS ARE RIGOROUSLY TESTED TO MAKE SURE THAT MIGRATION - IF ANY - IS SAFE

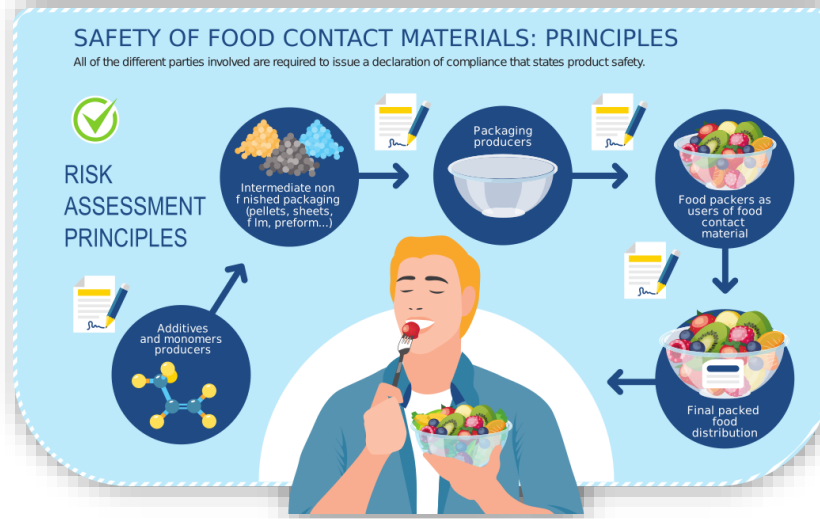
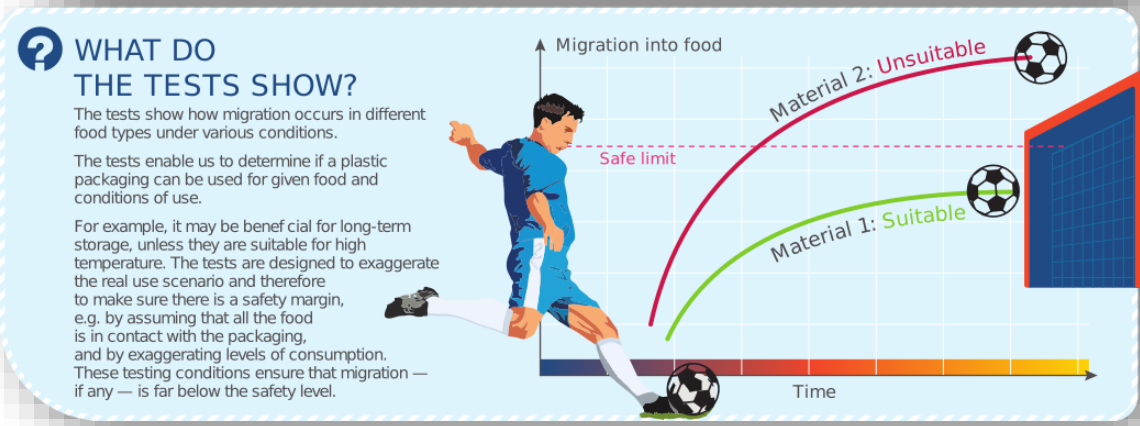
Testing conditions are specified legally, and need to be used by all actors performing tests in the value chain (from raw materials to packaging producers and to food packers). The tests are done at several stages in the value chain to ensure that the plastic sample is suitable in its end-use.

Variables can include:

- Temperature
- Time
- Contact surface
- Food type

Take a sample of the plastic → Test in contact with a food simulant → Monitor migration under standardised conditions → Analyse the results to verify that safety limits are met

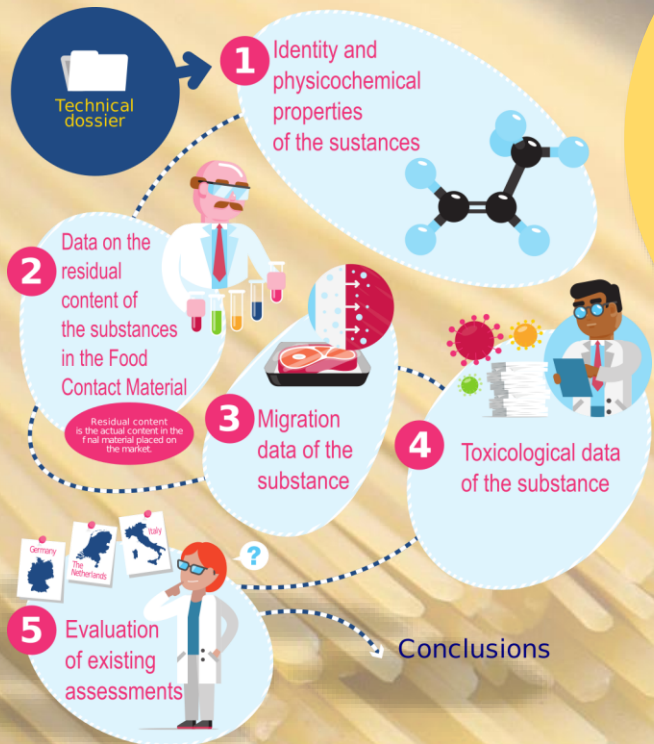
Food simulants - as prescribed by law, (e.g. olive oil) - mimic the properties of different food types under typical / worst case conditions.



“We have reviewed the proposed recycling process as well as the information you obtained from surrogate testing and migration modeling, which were submitted to demonstrate the capability of the proposed recycling process to remove potential contaminants from PCR-PET. Based on our review of these data, we have determined that the proposed recycling process, as described in the subject submission, ...”

<https://www.fda.gov/Food/IngredientsPackagingLabeling/PackagingFCS/RecycledPlastics/default.htm>

18 As migration testing is complex, costly and time consuming it should be admissible that compliance can be demonstrated also by calculations, including modelling, other analysis, and scientific evidence or reasoning if these render results which are at least as severe as the migration



> 60% of ingested Chemicals are coming from Packaging (exposome)

Compliance (contaminations) of 70% of plastics tested by Modeling

Contaminations from non-plastic Materials not considered



CIRCULAR ECONOMY VS SAFETY



Workshop "Predicting the safety of food contact articles" - New science and digital opportunities
 4 October 2018, Zurich, Switzerland
<https://www.foodpackagingforum.org/events/predicting-the-safety-of-food-contact-articles-new-science-and-digital-opportunities>



European point of view on the safety of food contact materials

CHEMICAL INNOVATIONS

FOR Plastics in a Circular Economy

> *Circularity
by design
by recycling
by alternative feedstocks*



INRAE

Pittcon – Migration Modeling related to food contact materials: past and future
March 1-5, 2020 / Olivier Vitrac

Source: Cefic

IS THE RECYCLED MATERIAL AS SAFE AS THE ORIGINAL ONE ?

FILLING WITH FOOD AGAIN

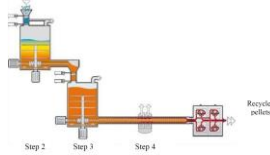
SUPER CLEANING



EFSA has issued upward of 140 positive scientific opinions on the safety of processes to recycle plastics for use in food contact material.



ONLY recycled PET is authorized in EU.



500 M€ have been invested in plants capable of converting recycled plastic materials into materials suitable for packaging and food contact applications

In 2014, more than 50% of the recycled PET in Europe was used in food contact applications.



The lack of harmonisation amongst Member States generates legal uncertainty and unnecessary burden for the industry using recycled materials.

It also sets up obstacles for the Circular Economy



Recycling plastics for food contact

REGULATION 282/2008/EC



AUTHORIZED

Misuse issues (post-use contaminations) of Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) can be easily handled : glassy polymer, it is mainly contaminated by small contaminants which can be removed by a devolatilization step above T_g



Foodgrade HDPE milk bottles

1. Filling and use of HDPE milk bottles
2. Recollection
3. Sorting

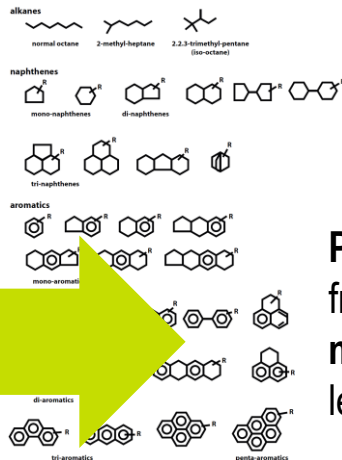
Suitable for Food Contact?



Recycling



Polyolefins are rubber polymers which can be easily contaminated by high molecular weight contaminants after use.



Paper and board contains large amount of residues from printing inks: aromatic (carcinogenic) and aliphatic **mineral oils** can be transferred without contact and lead to cross-contamination between materials

J. of Chromatography A. 2013;1293:107-19.



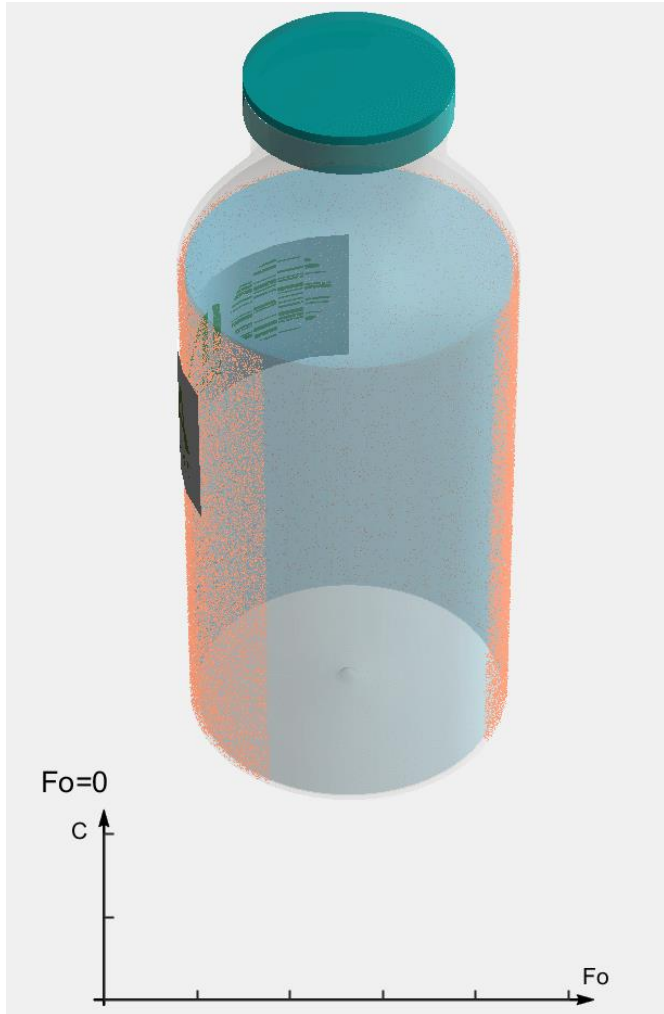
Recycling of PET vs other materials

Recycled PET for food contact is authorized (282/2008/EC)
Recycled polyolefins are authorized only in Germany
Recycled paper and boards is source of recurring crises in EU.

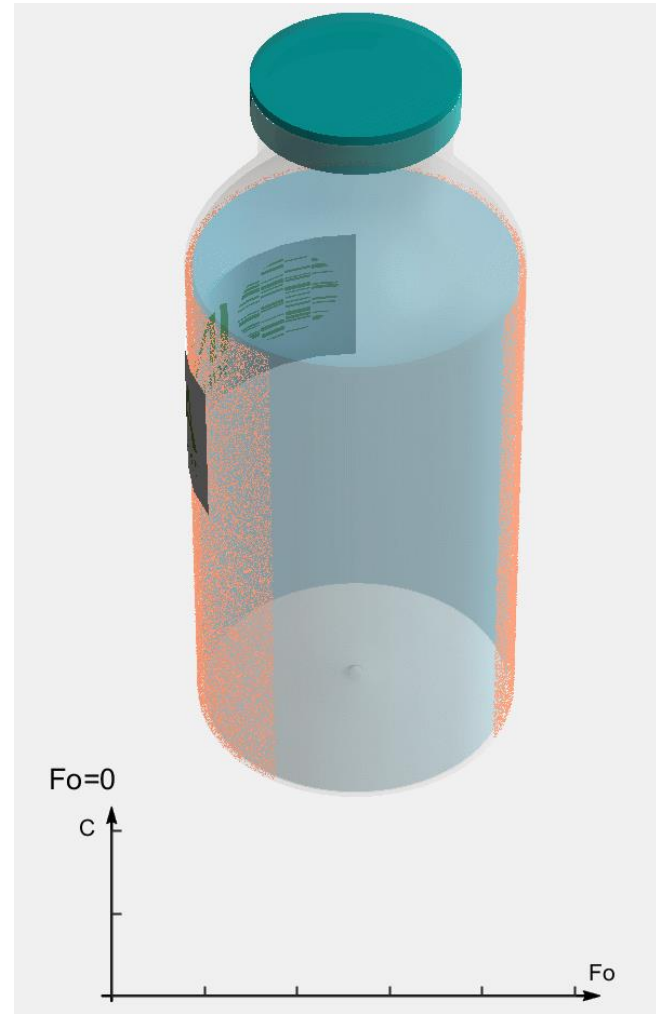
➤ What is migration modeling and how to use it?

$Fo = \frac{D_P t}{l_P^2}$ = dimensionless time; D_P : diffusion coefficient; $K_{i,F/P} = \frac{C_{i,F}^{eq}}{C_{i,P}^{eq}}$: partition coefficient

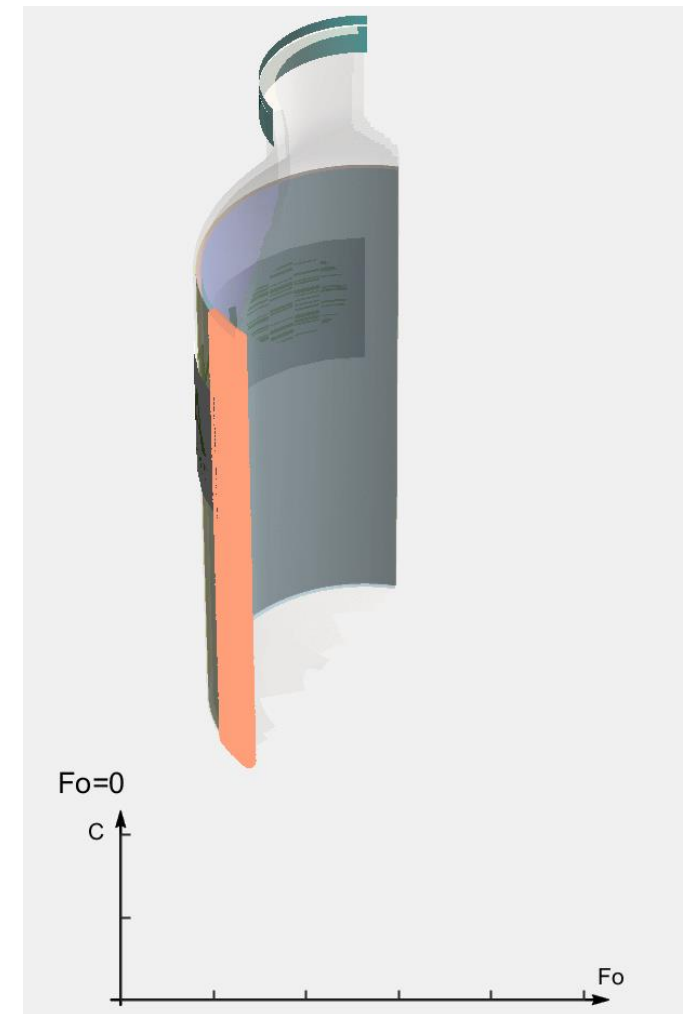
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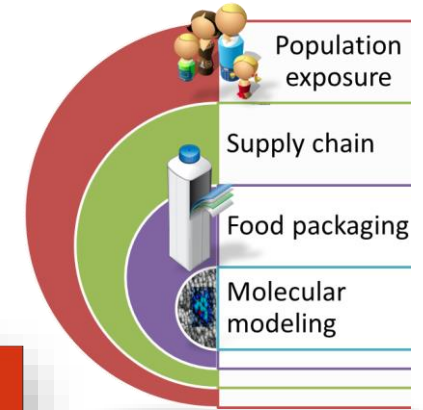
with barrier to diffusion



multilayer



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European Commission

JRC TECHNICAL REPORTS

Practical guidelines on the application of migration modelling for the estimation of specific migration

In support of Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 on plastic food contact materials

Eddo J. Hoekstra (Ed.), Rainer Brandsch, Claude Dequatre, Peter Mercea, Maria-Rosaria Milana, Angela Störmer, Xenia Trier, Olivier Vitrac, Annette Schäfer and Catherine Simoneau

2015

We use our own vocabulary and concepts, and we publish in EU reports!

$$C_i^{n+1} - C_i^n = D \cdot C_{i+1}^{n+1} - 2C_i^n + C_{i-1}^n$$

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European Commission

What makes a material function?

Let me compute the ways...

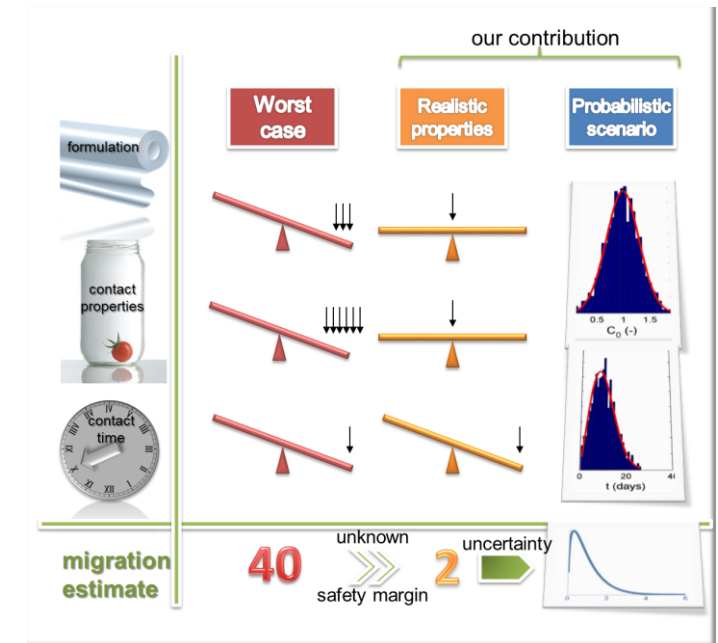
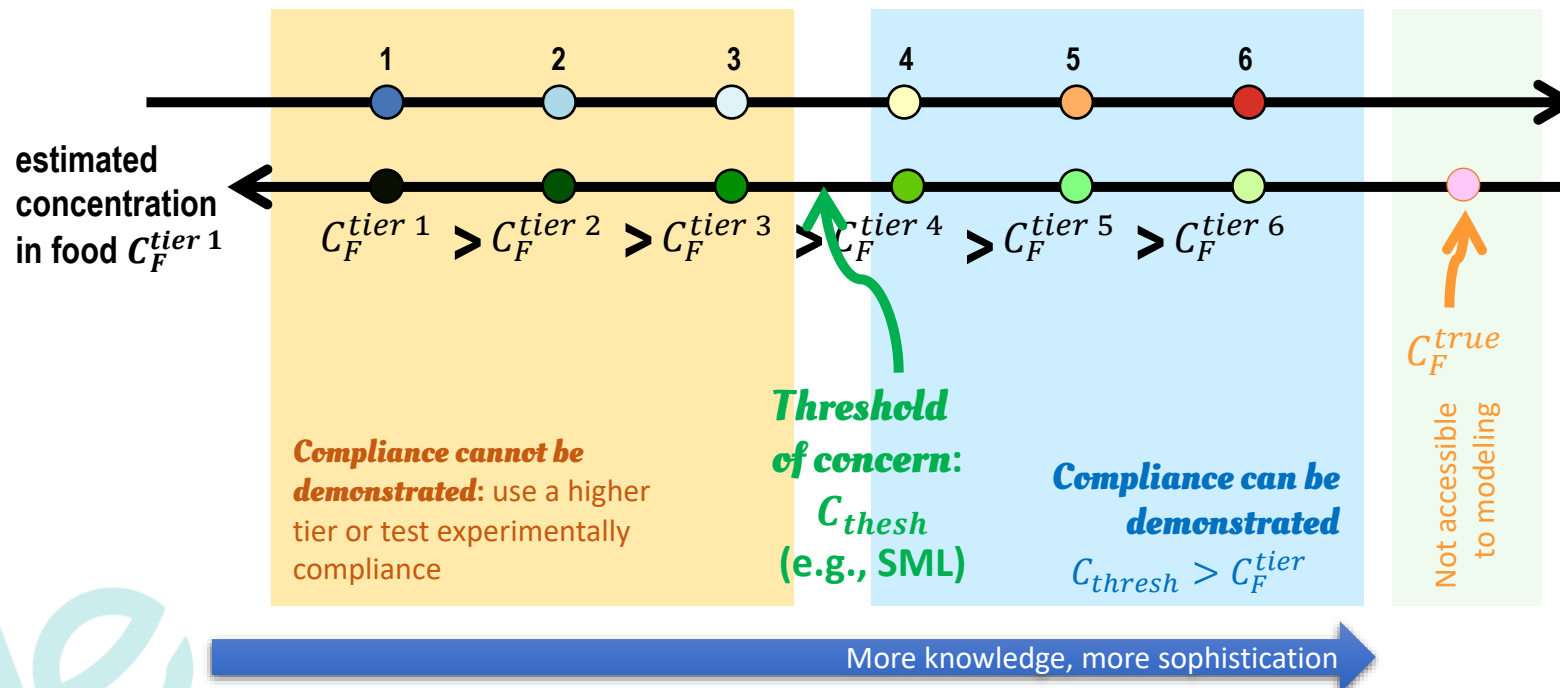
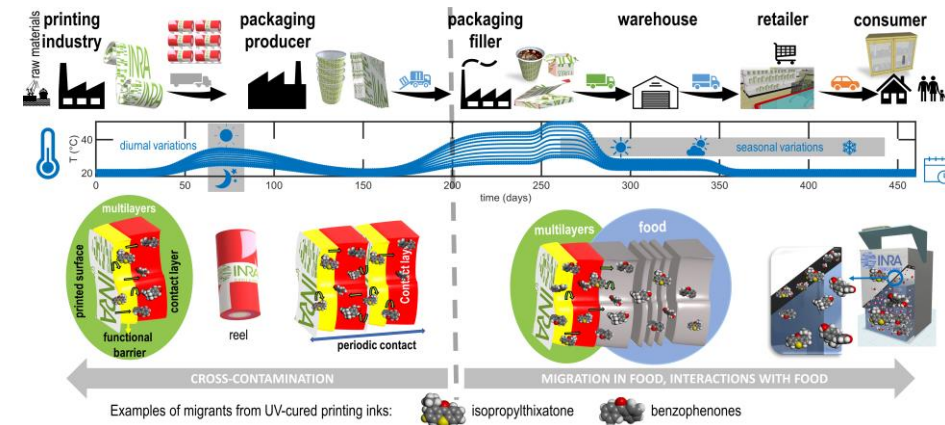
Modelling in H2020 NMBP Programme Materials projects

I calculate the "true property" from first principles and I publish in Polymer Science Journals

Research and Innovation

➤ The principles of migration modeling = Tier modeling

- **conservatism.** modeling overestimates real migration.
- **reliability.** mass transfer pathways and substances obey to well-described mechanisms
- **consistency.** $D_{i,P}$ and $K_{i,F/P}$ are enough known with enough conservatism.
- **parsimony.** sophisticated and refined scenarios should be considered only when simplified ones fail.
- **proportionality.** non-compliance cannot be demonstrated by calculation.





Preventive approaches

From preventive approaching to integrated engineering



Safety concepts



Current Approaches



Future Approaches



Low Migration



Low Toxicity



Low Consumer Exposure



Safe-by-Design

[Regulation EC 2023/2006](#) - Good Manufacturing Practice for materials and articles intended to come in contact with food

+ Voluntary approaches & local ordinances

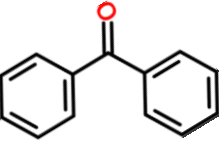


Our recommendations

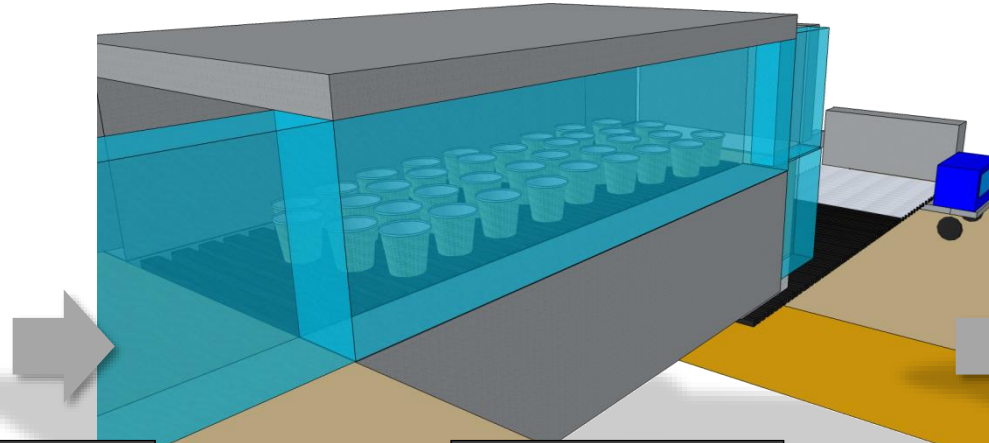


➤ CHAINED STEPS: where is the critical step?

Risk of contamination by a photoinitiator in UV-curing printing ink



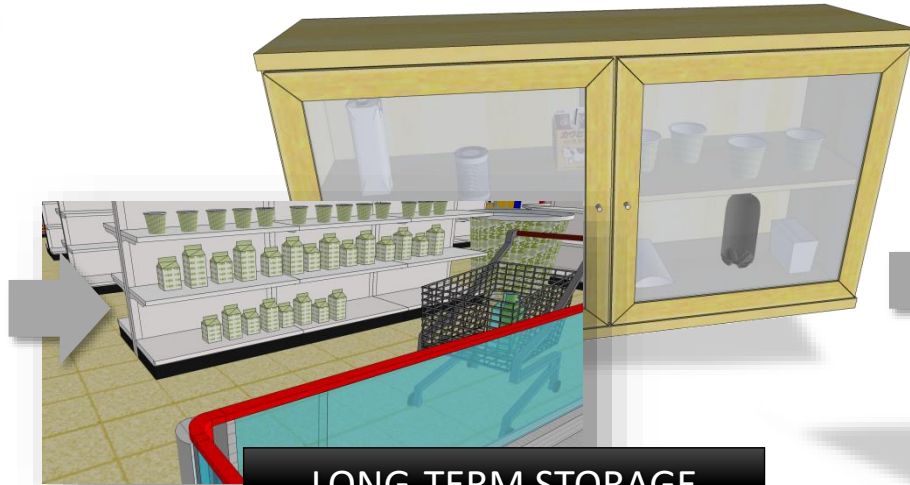
STORAGE "BEFORE USE"



HOT FILLING



FATTY CONTACT



LONG-TERM STORAGE

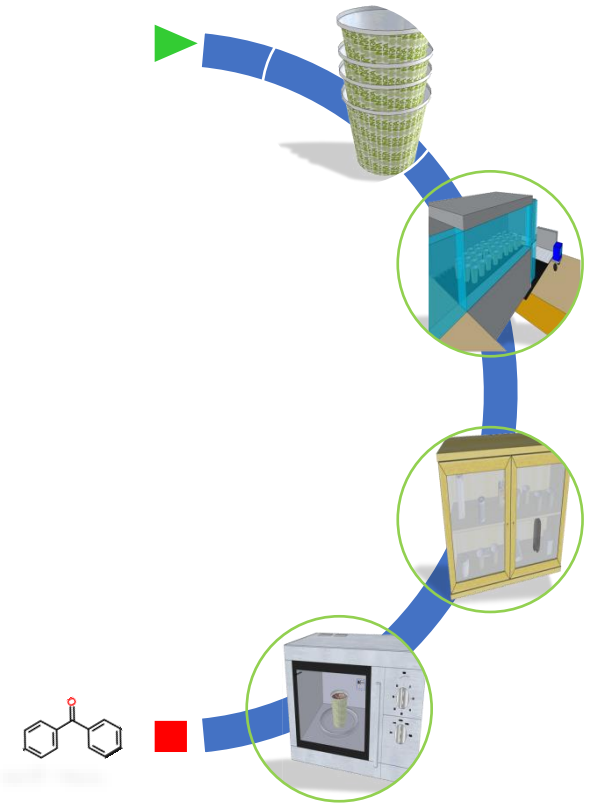
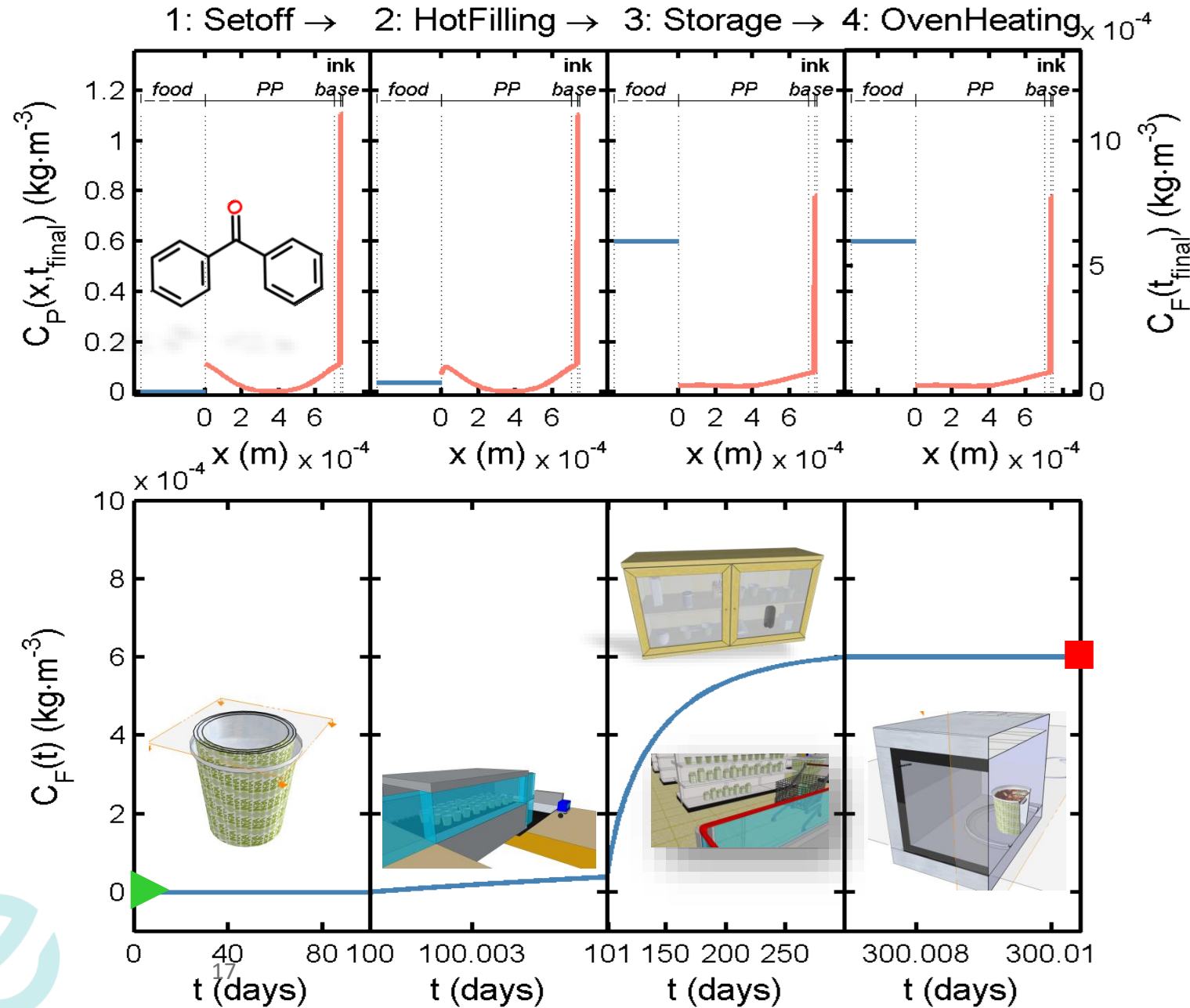


MICROWAVE OVEN HEATING



➤ CHAINED STEPS

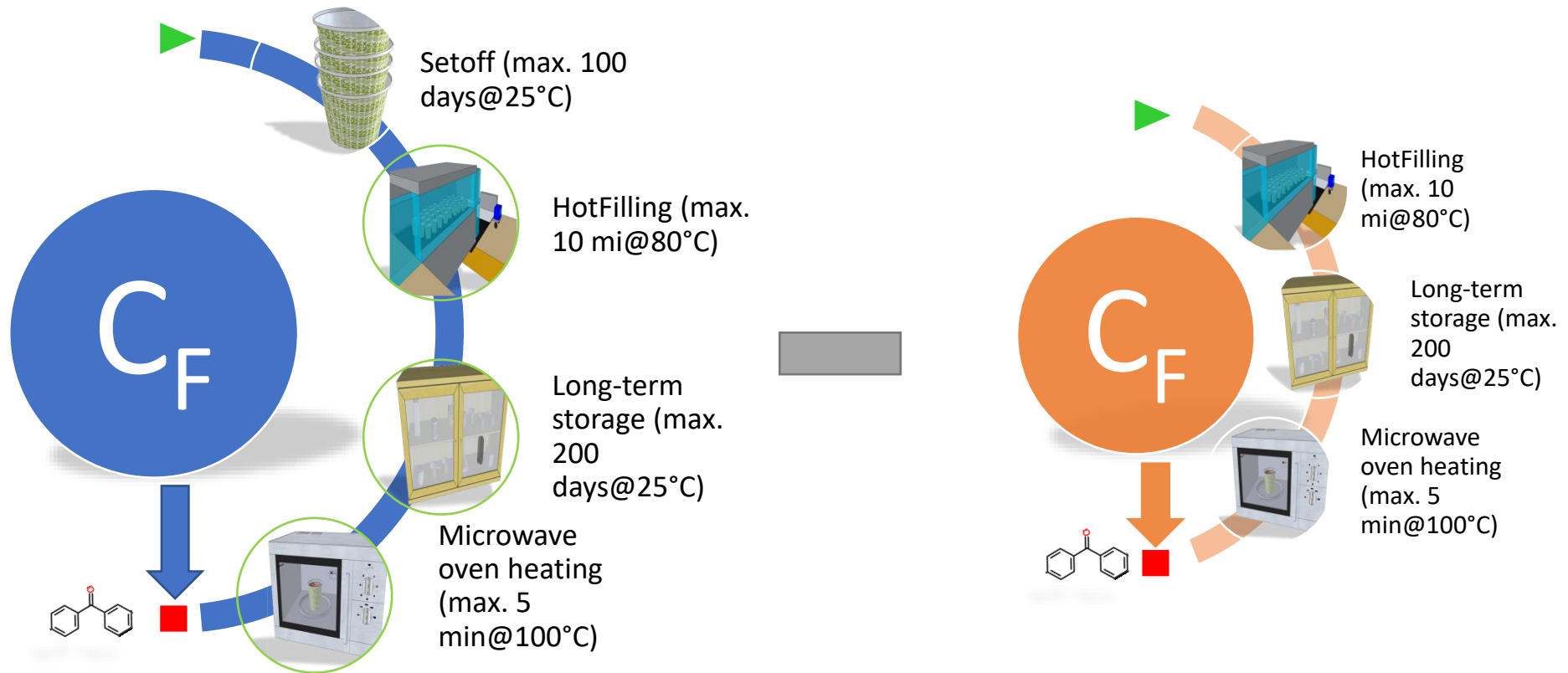
UV-curing printing ink



➤ ASSESSING THE SEVERITY OF A SINGLE STEP

CASE OF "SETOFF" STEP

Full methodology described in *AIChE J.* 2013, 59(4), 1183-1212



comparison with step *i* alone

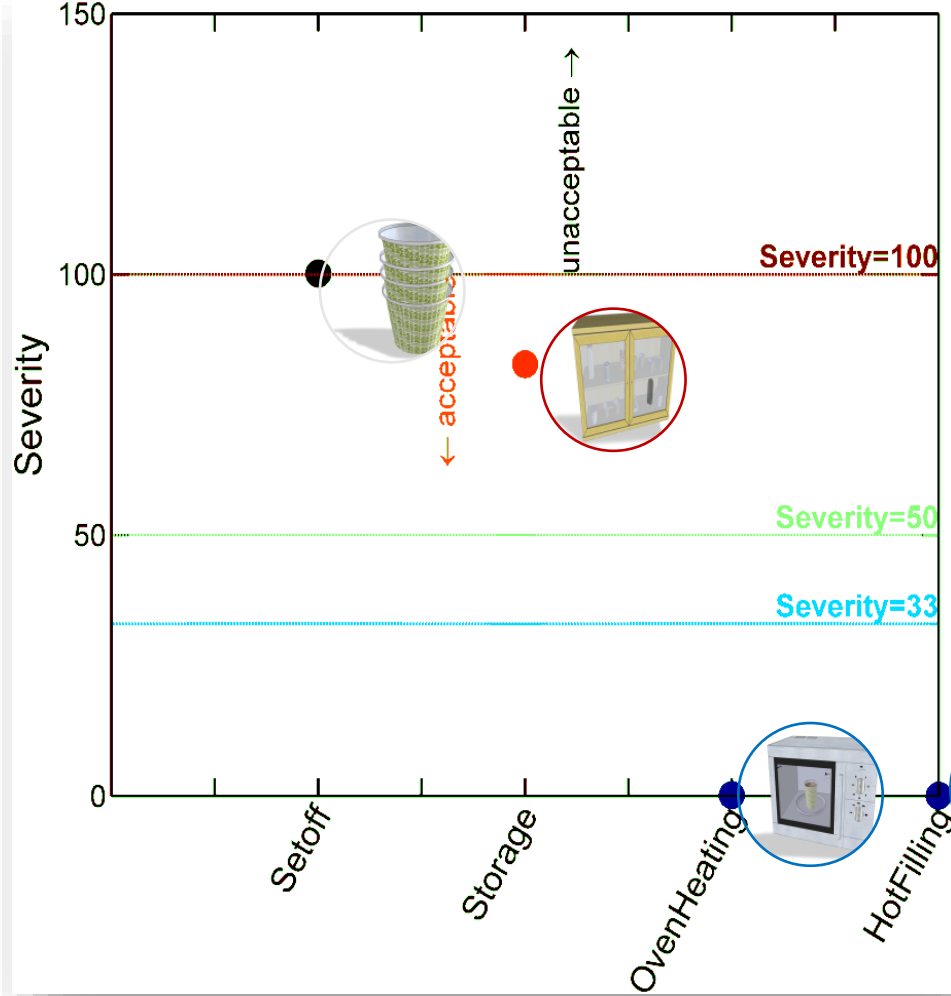
$$\text{Severity}(\hat{C}_F(\text{step } i)) = f\left(\max(C_{F_M}|_{1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow M} - C_{F_M}|_{1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow M/i}, C_{F_i}|_i)\right)$$

comparison with step *i* removed



➤ COMPARING THE SEVERITY OF SEVERAL STEPS, PACKAGING DESIGNS, SUBSTANCES...

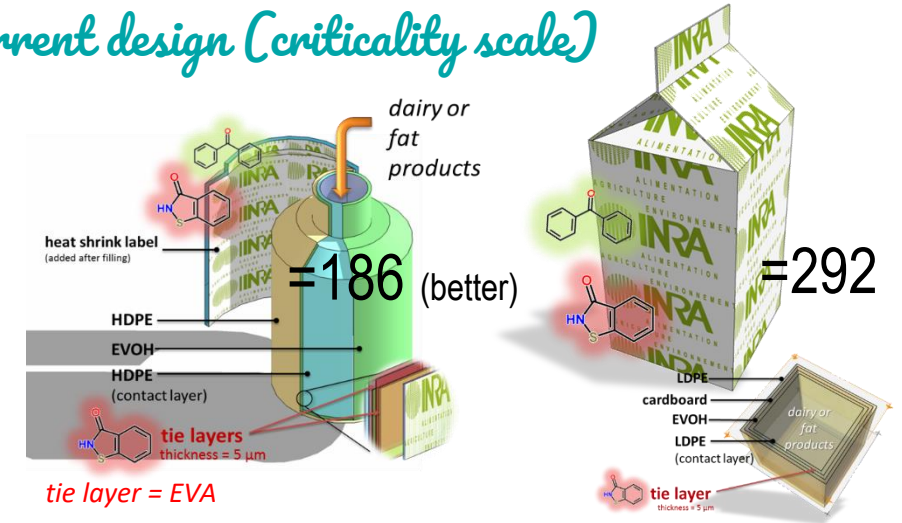
Critical step (severity scale)



Unacceptable when *severity* > 100

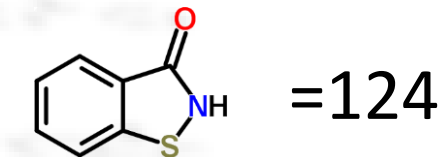
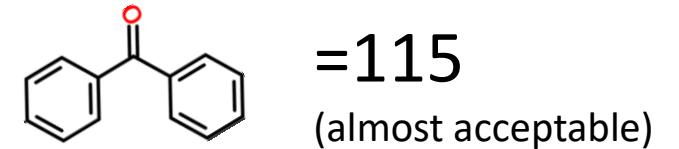
$$severity = 100 \times \frac{C_F}{SML}$$

Concurrent design (criticality scale)



$$criticality = \sum_{all\ components} \sum_{all\ substances} \sum_{all\ modalities} pr(modality) \times severity$$






Critical substance



➤ Failure Mode Effects and Criticality Analysis



Collaborative research project SAFEFOODPACK DESIGN
 Inventaire
 Hiérarchisation
 ANR - PROJET FINANCÉ PAR L'ANR
 ASSOCIATION FINANÇÉE PAR LE MINISTÈRE DE L'ÉCARTONNEMENT ET DE LA FORÊT

FMECA « milk for infants stored in a brick »					
Phase	Formulation	Design	Process	Informations	Mechanisms
	 <p>Formulation</p>	 <p>design</p>	 <p>Process</p>	 <p>Informations</p>	 <p>Described mechanisms</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> monomers (plastics, adhesives) catalysts antioxidants lubricants biocides (cardboard, ink) mineral oil (cardboard) solvents photoinitiators other residus (NIAS) 	<p>two components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> brick body (4 materials, 5 layers) cap (two materials incl. the sealing system) <p>six materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LDPE, PP (cap) aluminum foil cardboard (origin) « ink » « adhesives » 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> production, storage, assembly of materials assembly and storage of components printing (printing technology, curing/drying...) storage of empty packaging aseptic packaging filling (temperature, pretreatment...) storage and retailing of the bricks filled with milk conditions of use or storage by the consumer/end-user: chilled, ambient, oven heating? Consumption-type (bottle feed with direct contact between the mouth and the neck...) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identity and nature of materials in assemblies formulation of materials (substances specifically regulated or not) test conditions used to evaluate the risk of contamination conditions of preparation, packaging filling, storage, consumption of packaged food communication of revisions and modifications in la formulation, design, process and in the final use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> diffusion across layers set-off cross-contamination between materials and with the storage ambience effects of poor drying and curing on printing inks
	<p>Highly concentrated</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> antioxidants, lubricants, biocides mineral oils, photoinitiators monomers, catalysts, solvents other residues 	<p>Barrier material</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> aluminum foil <p>Materials acting as reservoir of low molecular weight contaminants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ink adhesive <p>Materials acting as reservoir of high molecular weight of contaminants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PP, LDPE paper and board 	<p>steps associated to long-time contact</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> storage of materials storage of components storage of finished products <p>steps associated to high temperatures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> aseptic filling oven heating <p>steps which may lead to cross-contamination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> storage printing assembling / laminating 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> non-documented or missing information accessible information documented information, which follow each component and materials verifiable and auditable information frequency of update of information : regular, when a change occur, only when the design is modified,... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> mass transfer, which can be evaluated rapidly from calculations: from, trough LDPE, PP layers mass transfer, which can be tested experimentally in a simple manner : set-off mass transfer, which require a depth expertise: cross-contamination, aging



Contamination without contact

*Cross-contamination = Main of NIAS and new
(old) routes of contamination*

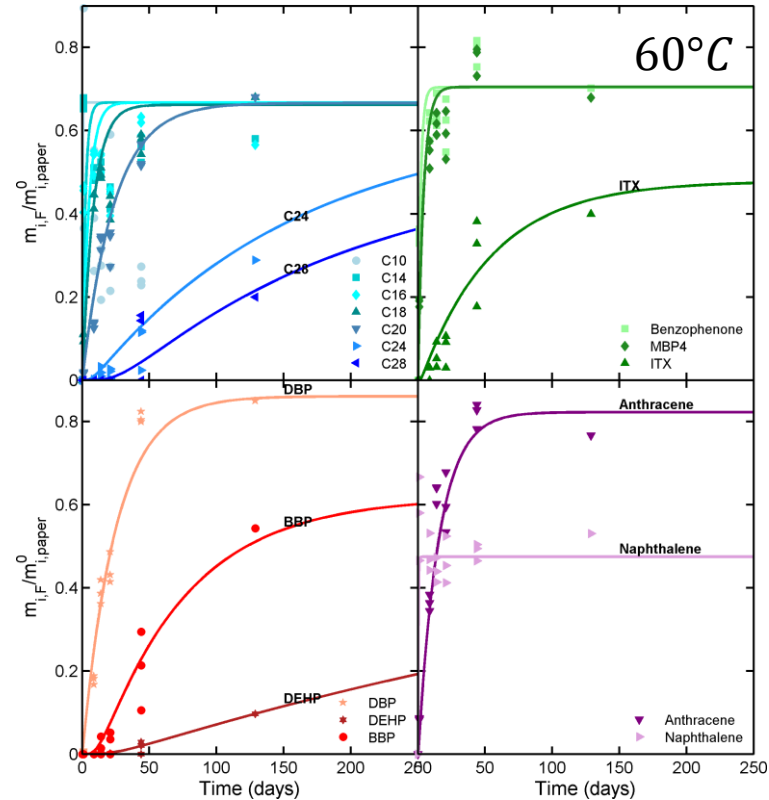
old routes but new issues

➤ CONTAMINATION THROUGH THE GAS PHASE

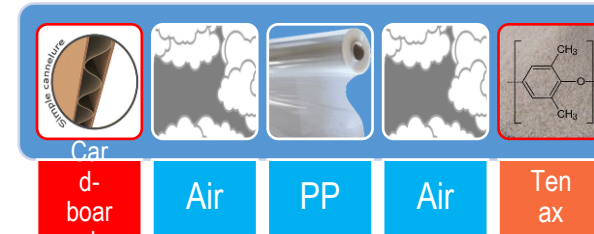
TENAX packed within a 50 μm thick BOPP bag and exposed to a cardboard material formulated with 15 surrogates



SURROGATES (i)
Decane (C10)
Tetradecane (C14)
Hexadecane (C16)
Octadecane (C18)
Eicosane (C20)
Tetracosane (C24)
Octacosane (C28)
Dibutyl phthalate (DBP)
Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP)
Benzylbutyl phthalate (BBP)
Benzophenone
4-methyl benzophenone (MBP4)
Isopropyl-9H-thioxanthen-9-one
Anthracene
Naphthalene



$$\frac{m_{i,F}(t)}{m_{i,P}^0} = \frac{V_F}{m_{i,P}^0} \int_0^t C_{i,F}(\tau) d\tau$$



Experimental results at 60°C, i=1...15

Detailed modeling with FMECAengine

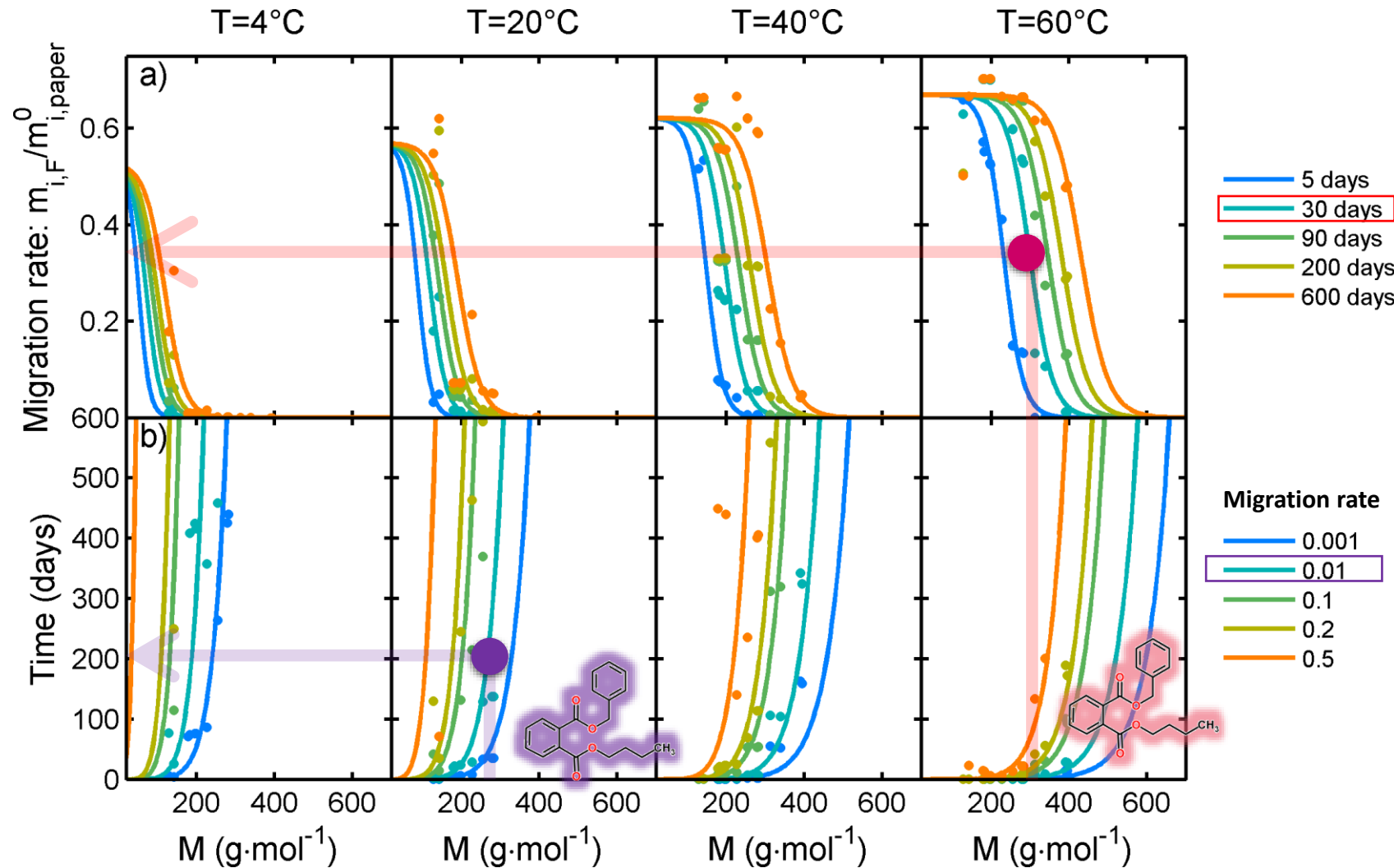
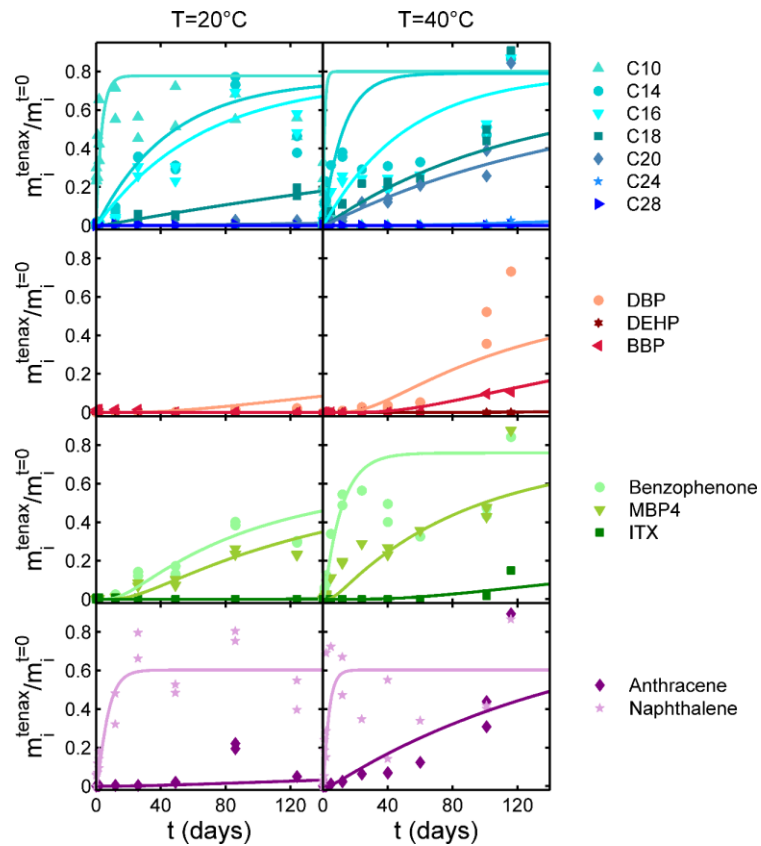
$\widehat{C}_F(T, t, i)$
i = 1..15 solutes at any temperature

Simplified modeling Solute independent

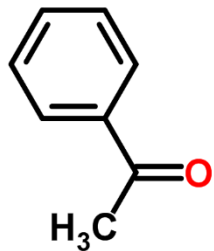
$\widetilde{C}_F(T, t, M)$
simplified at any temperature

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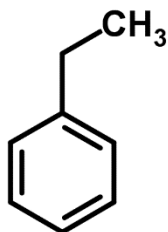
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>> FMECAKairP acetophenone

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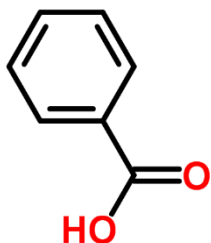
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>> FMECAKairP ethylbenzene

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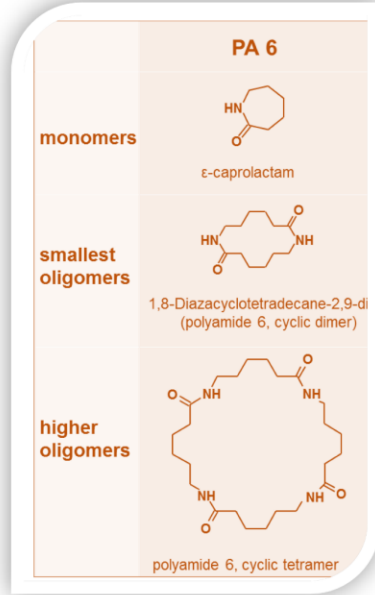


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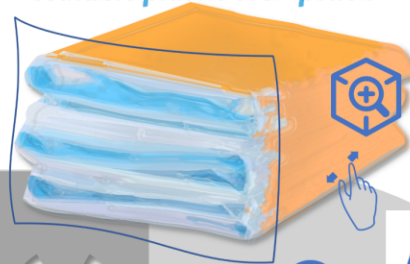
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Cross-contamination in biotechnological applications



Example of chemical present in the over-pouch

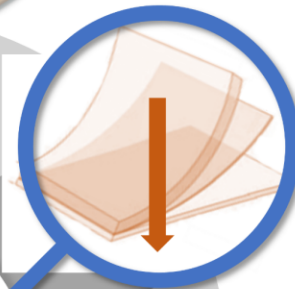
Single-use bags folded and packed in a sealable plastic over-pouch



Over-pouch = tri layer material

Sterilization by gamma-irradiation of bags and systems sealed within an over-pouch.

1



Migration across the overpack

Storage of several months + Shipping

2



Migration to the content of the bag

Production (from hours to weeks)

3

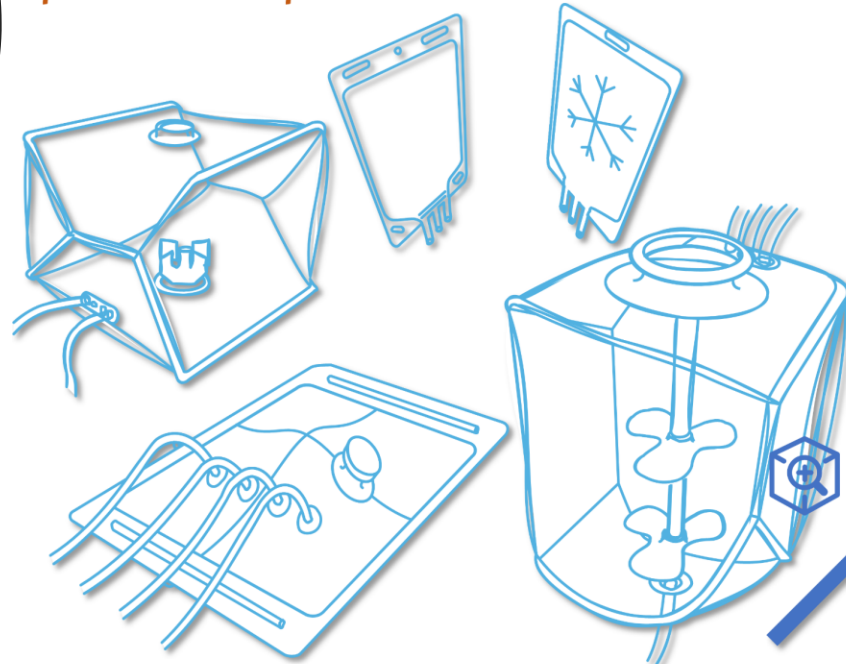


Migration across the bag

Over-pouch = tri layer material

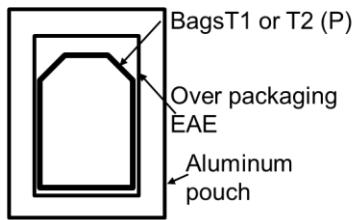


Contamination of drugs, vaccines etc.

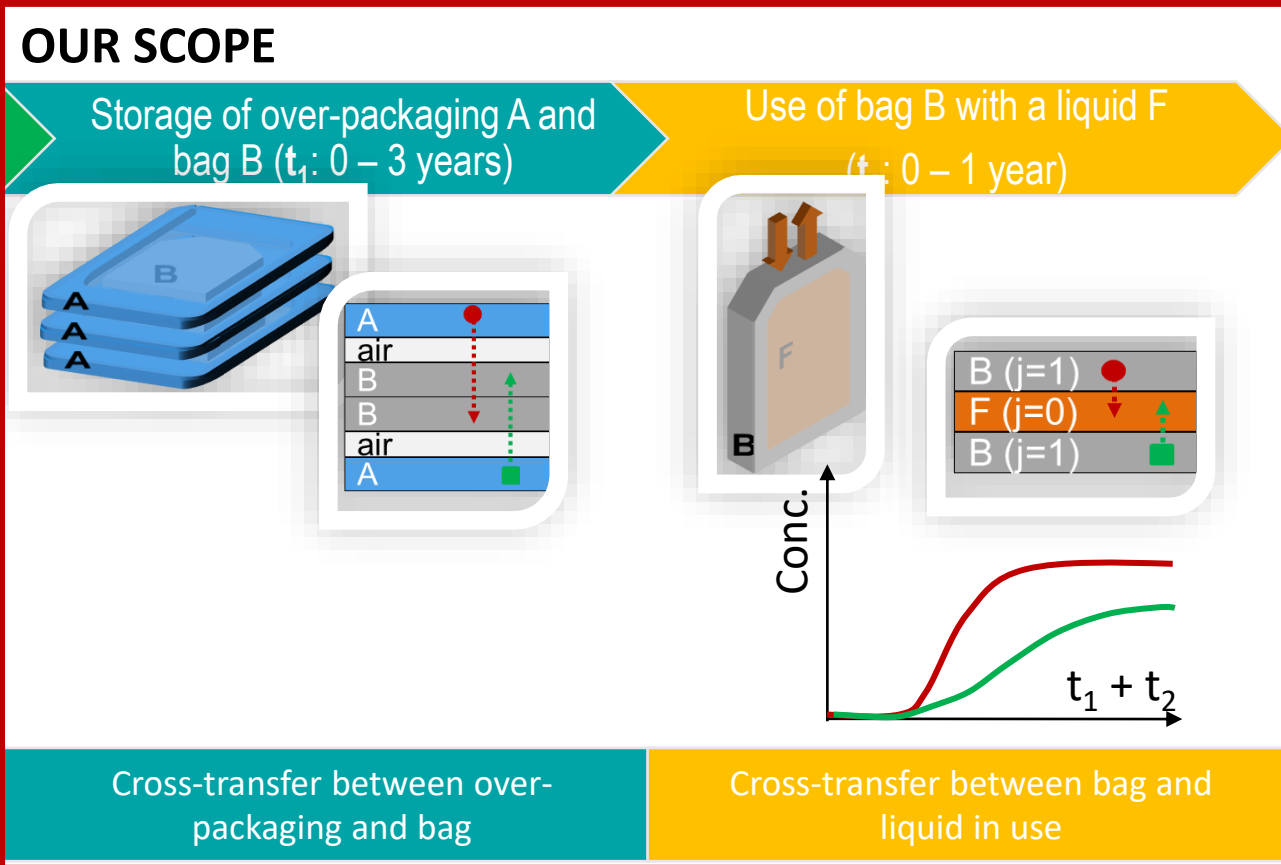
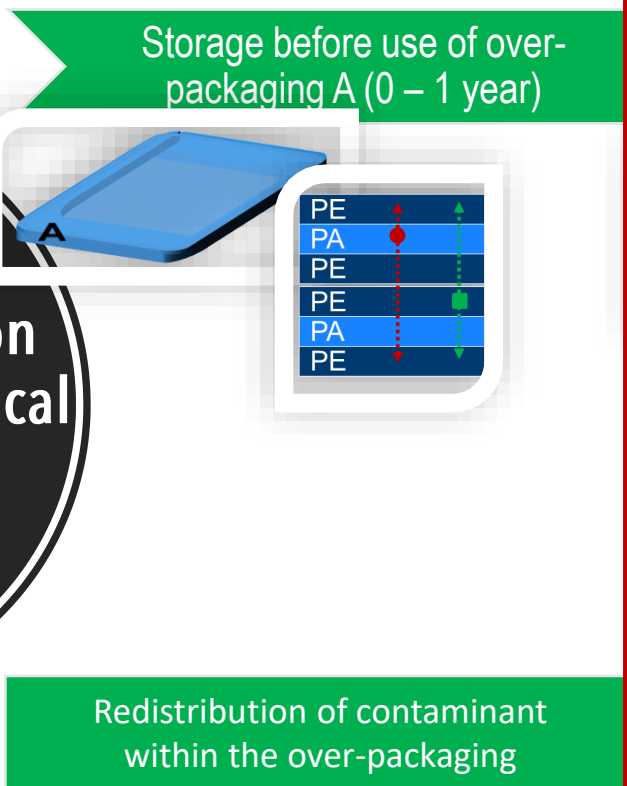


Single-use bags and systems

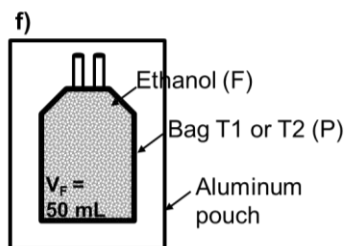
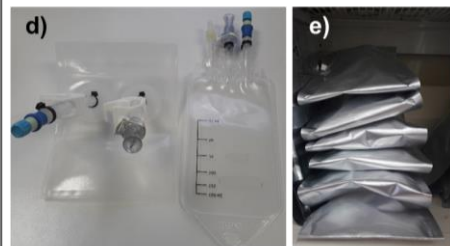
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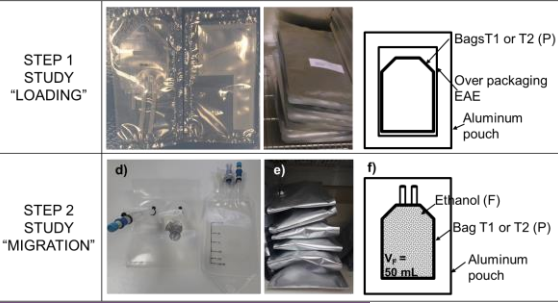
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STEP 2
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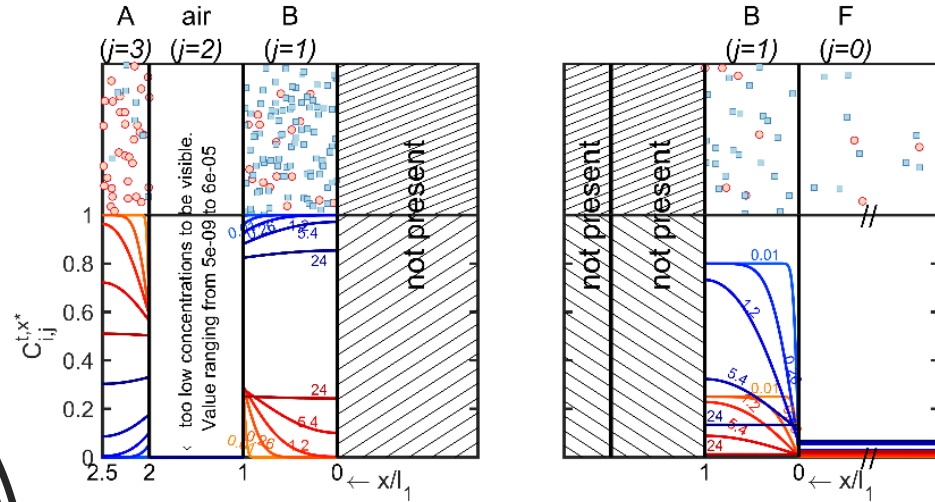


Nguyen P-M, Dorey S, Vitrac O. The Ubiquitous Issue of Cross-Mass Transfer: Applications to Single-Use Systems. *Molecules*. 2019;24:3467.

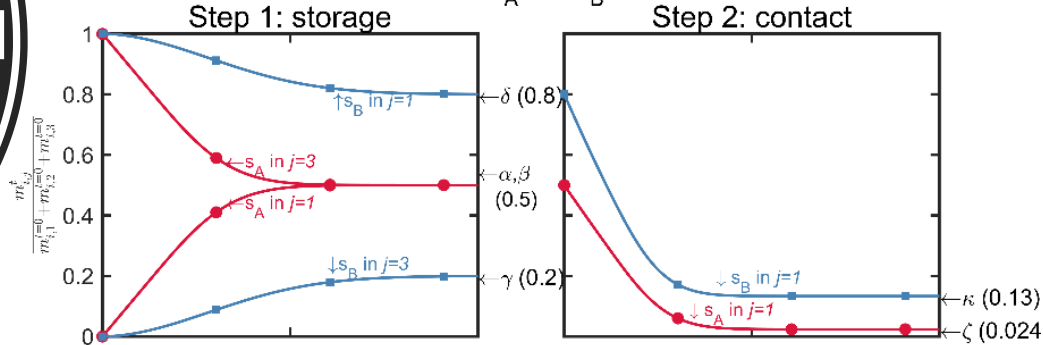


Cross-contamination in biotechnological applications

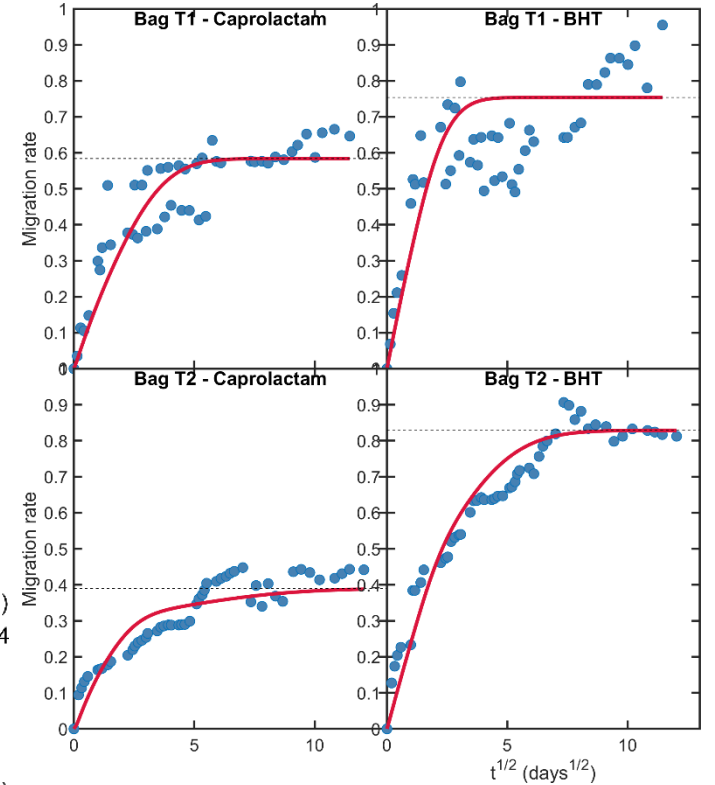
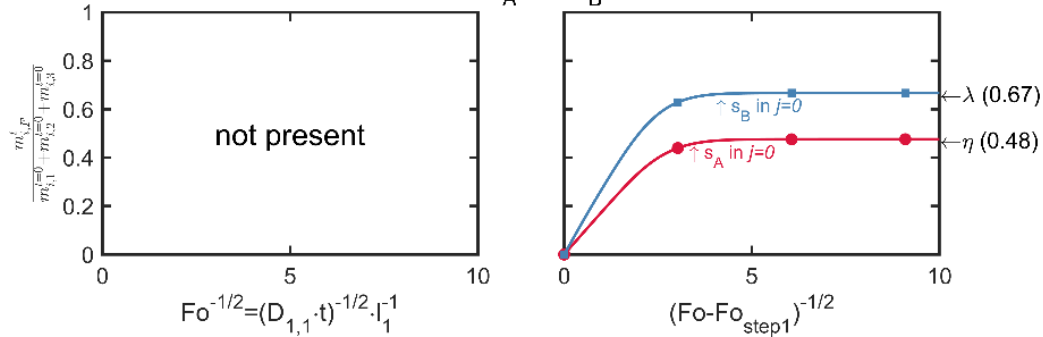
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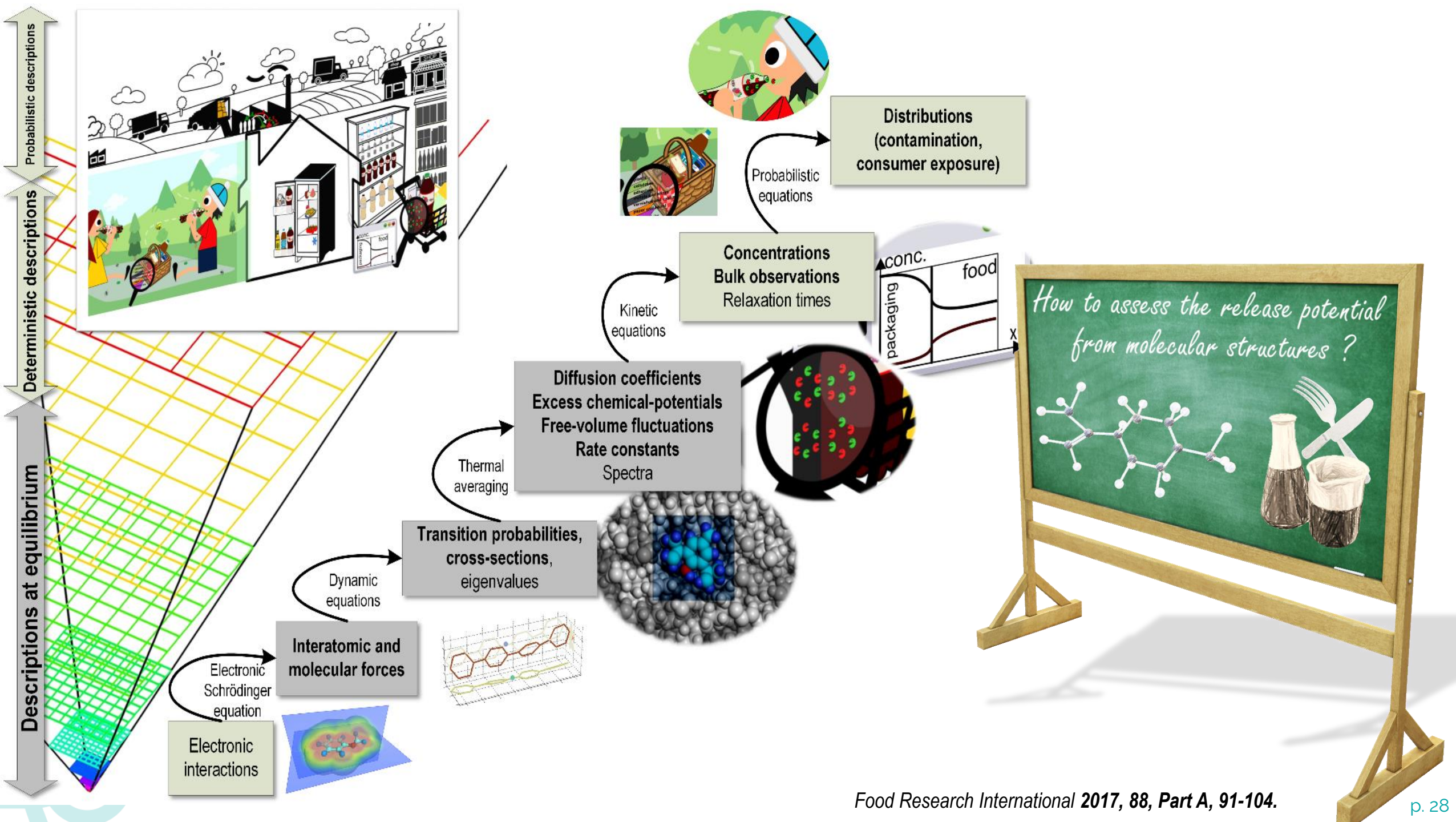


b) Concentration kinetics of migrants s_A and s_B in A and B



c) Concentration kinetics of migrants s_A and s_B in F





coarse

detailed

TRANSPORT
diffusion coefficients D
and their activation E_a

THERMODYNAMICS
chemical affinity
(Flory-type isotherms)

Worst-case approaches (arbitrary)

For compliance testing
(Piringer's equation)

Food Additives and Contaminants. 2005;22:73-90.

$$K_{F/P} = 1 \text{ or } 10^{-3}$$

JRC Scientific and Technical Reports EUR 27529 EN.
Ispra (Italy): European Commission; 2015.

Group contribution methods (fitting)

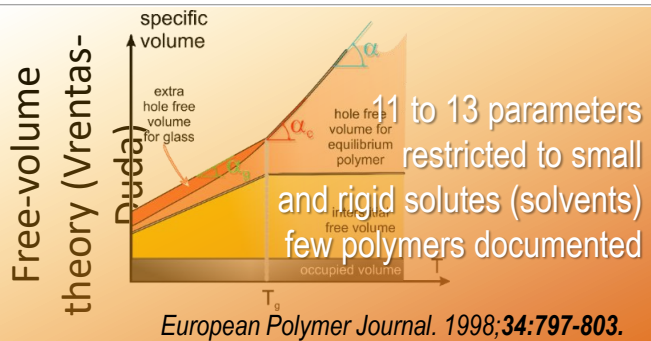
Decision tree

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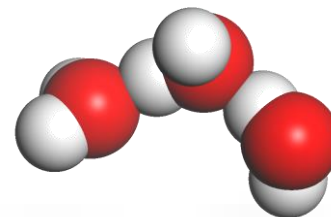
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Prausnitz, Lichtenthaler & de Azevedo. *Molecular Thermodynamics of Fluid-Phase Equilibria*: Pearson Education; 1998.

Theory from first principles (statistical physics)



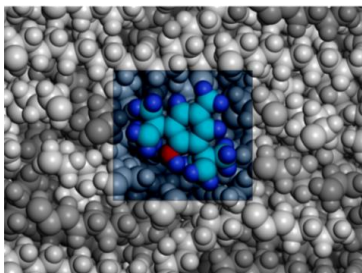
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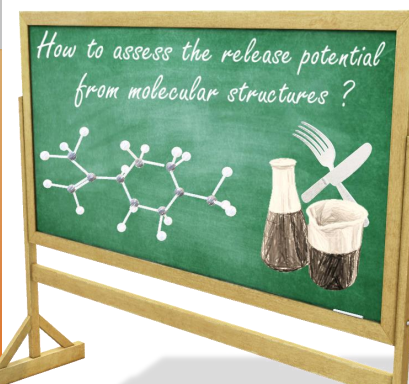
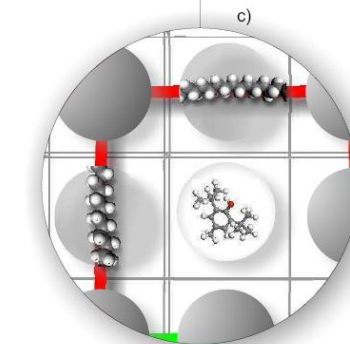
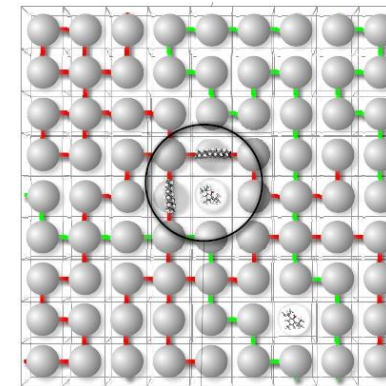
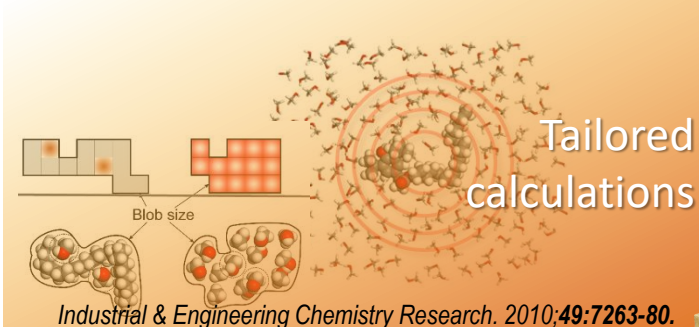
Kontogeorgis & Folas. *Thermodynamic Models for Industrial Applications: From Classical and Advanced Mixing Rules to Association Theories*: Wiley; 2009.

Full atomistic simulation or coarse-grained (no assumptions)

$$\text{for } D \geq 10^{-14} \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$$

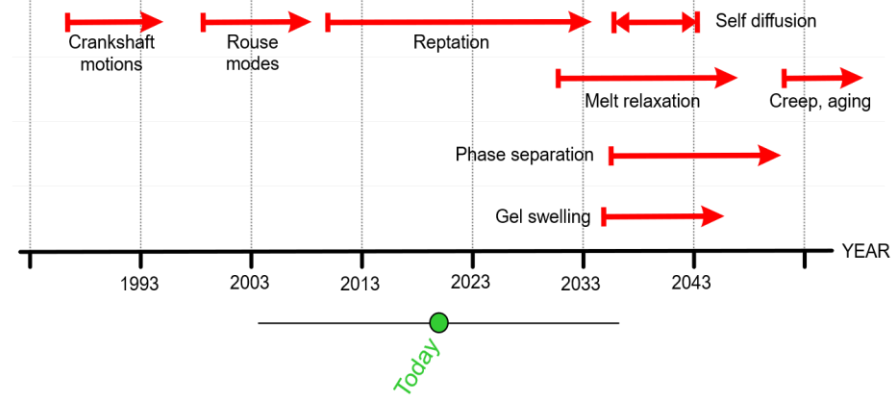


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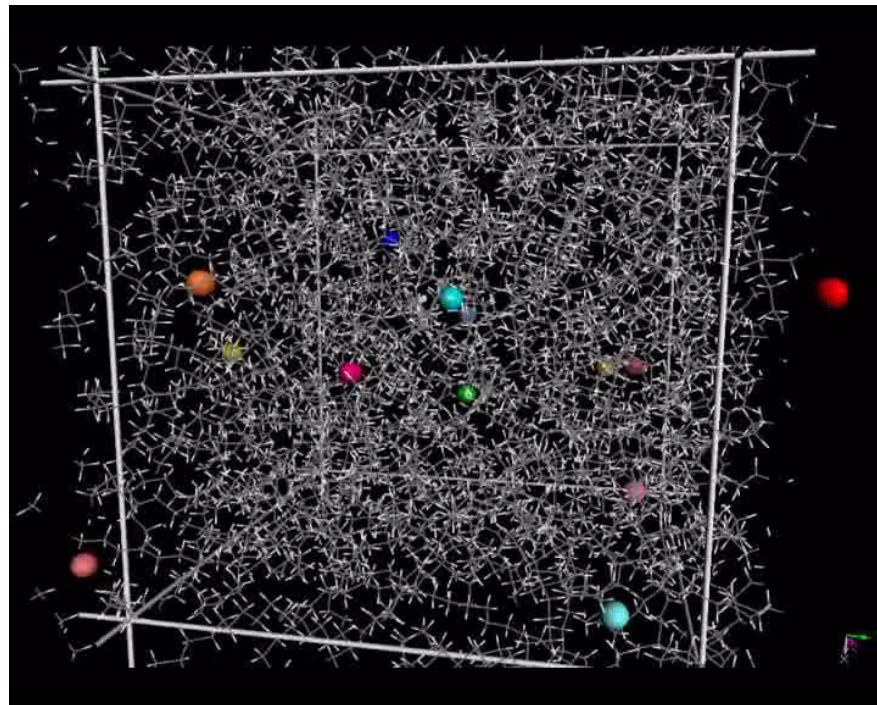


> Diffusivities in polymers

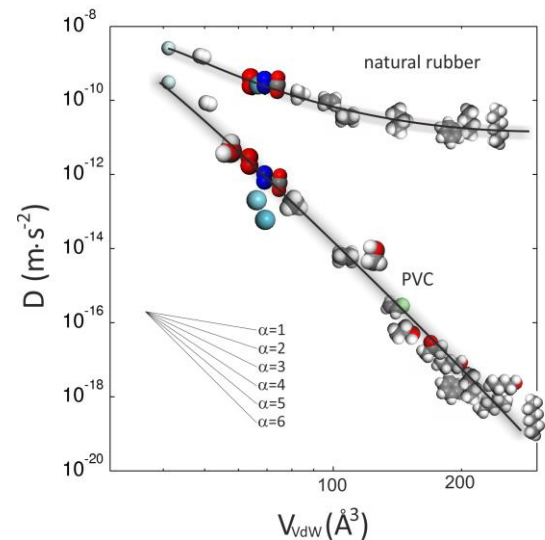
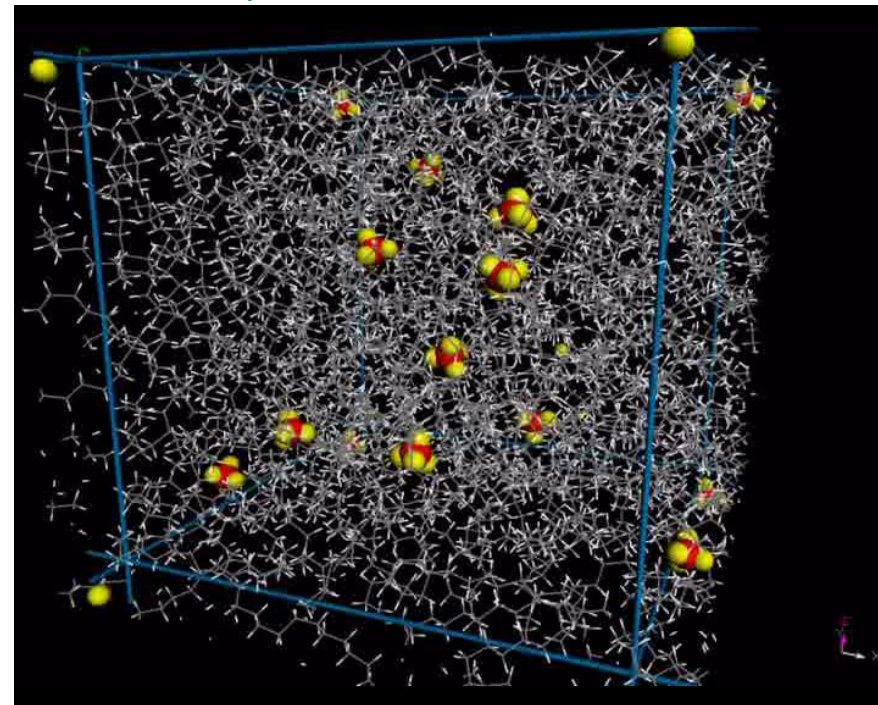
Molecular dynamics: 0.5 ns NVT @ 298K



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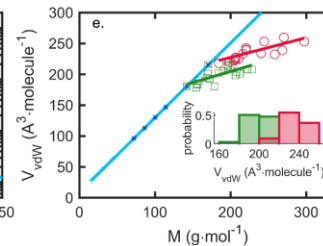
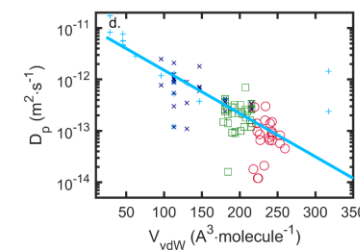
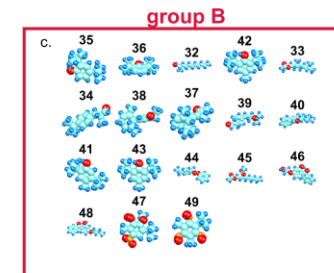
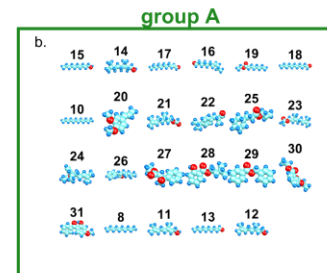
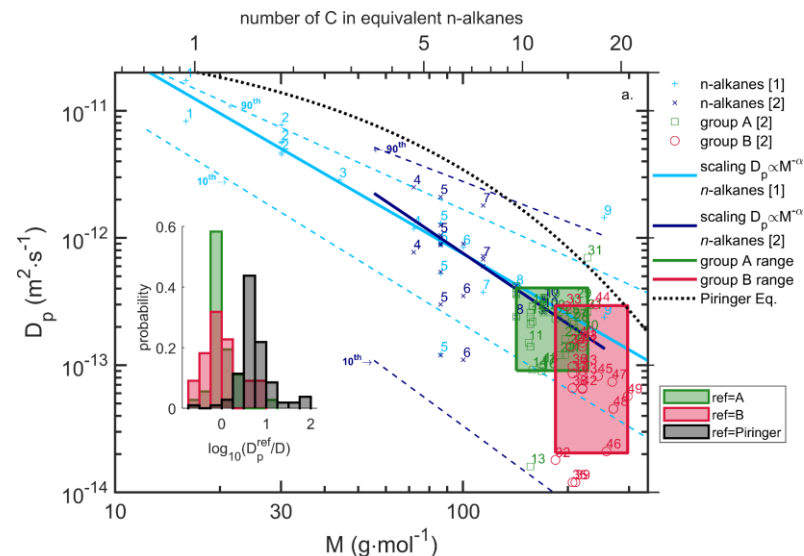
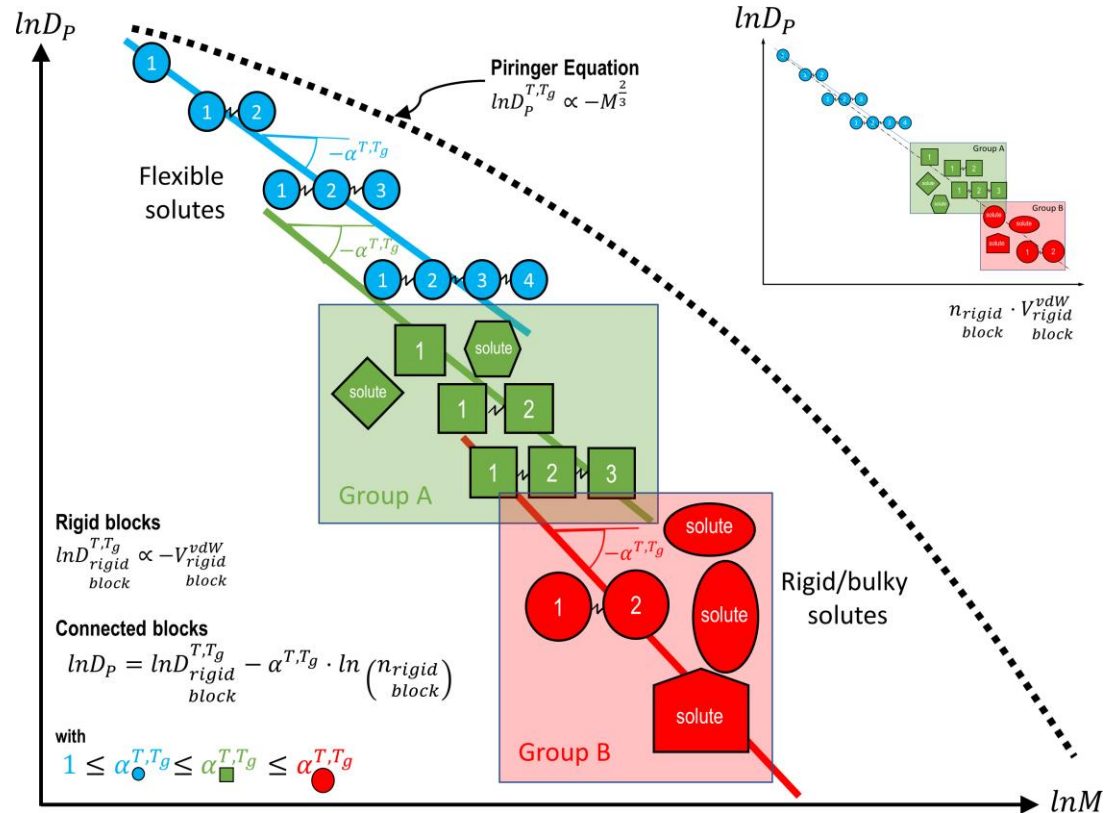
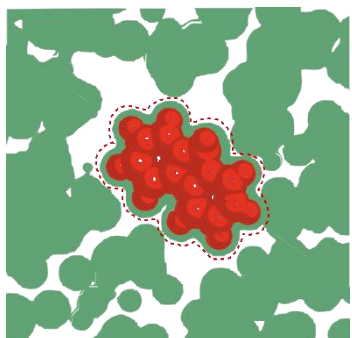
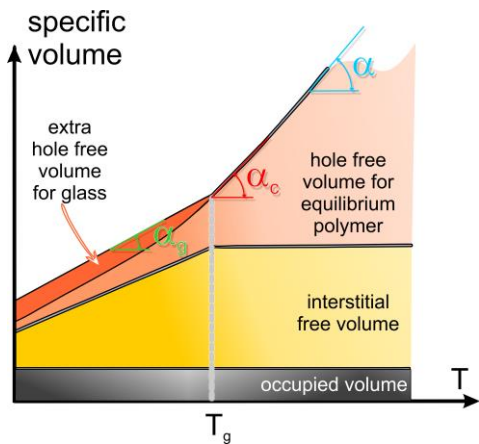


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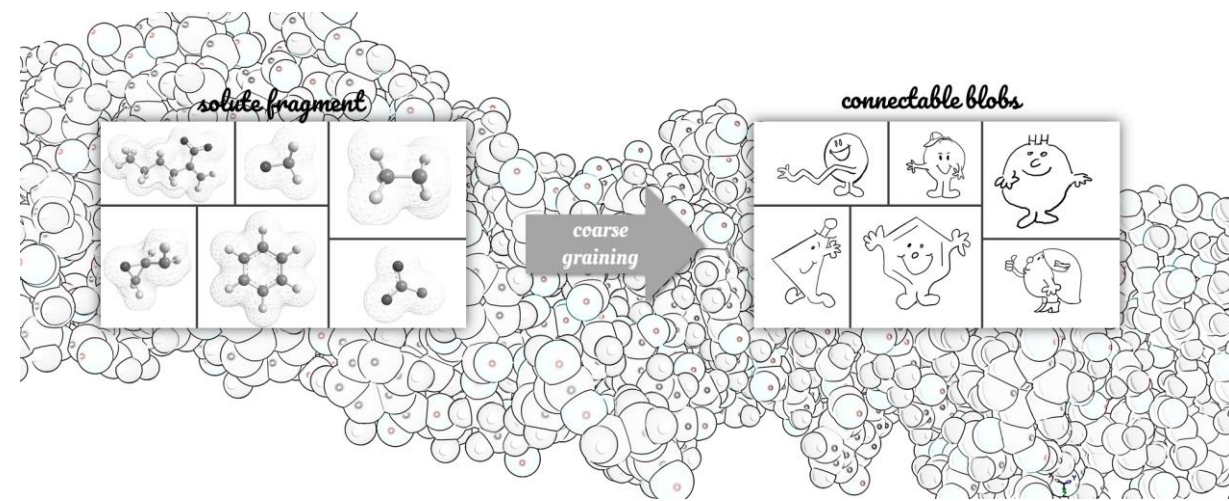
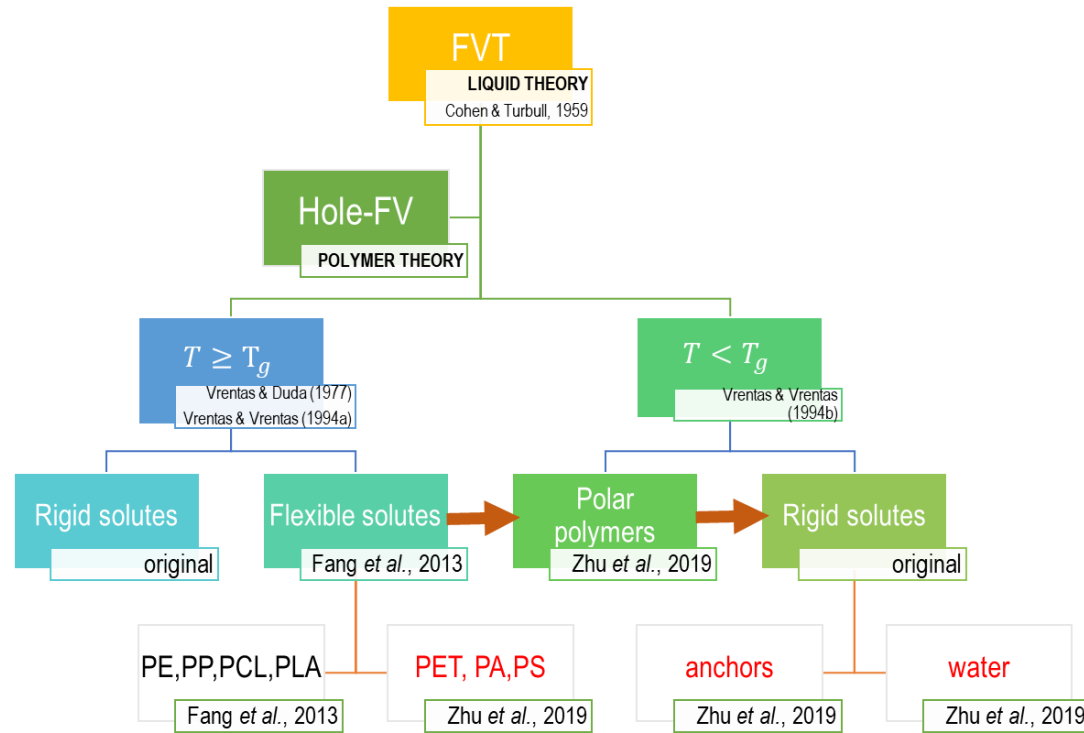


$$D \approx \frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left\langle \left(x_{CM}(t) - x_{CM}(0) \right)^2 \right\rangle$$

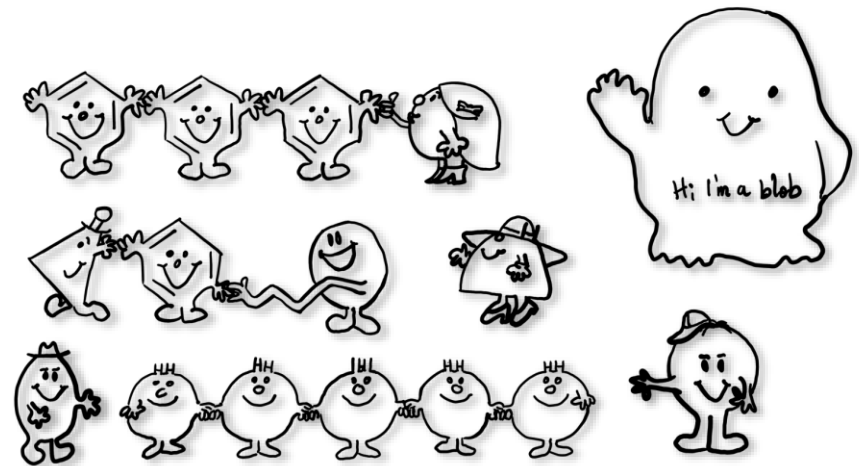
Free-volume theory



Free-volume theory



$$D(\text{blobs}) = 3^{-\alpha} f(\text{blob}) f(\text{blob})$$



$$D(\xi, T, T_g) = D_0(\xi) \exp\left(-\frac{E^*(\xi)}{RT}\right) \exp\left(-\tilde{V}_1^*(\xi) \frac{\alpha_{lin}(T, T_g) + \beta_{lin}}{\alpha_{lin}(T_g)}\right)$$

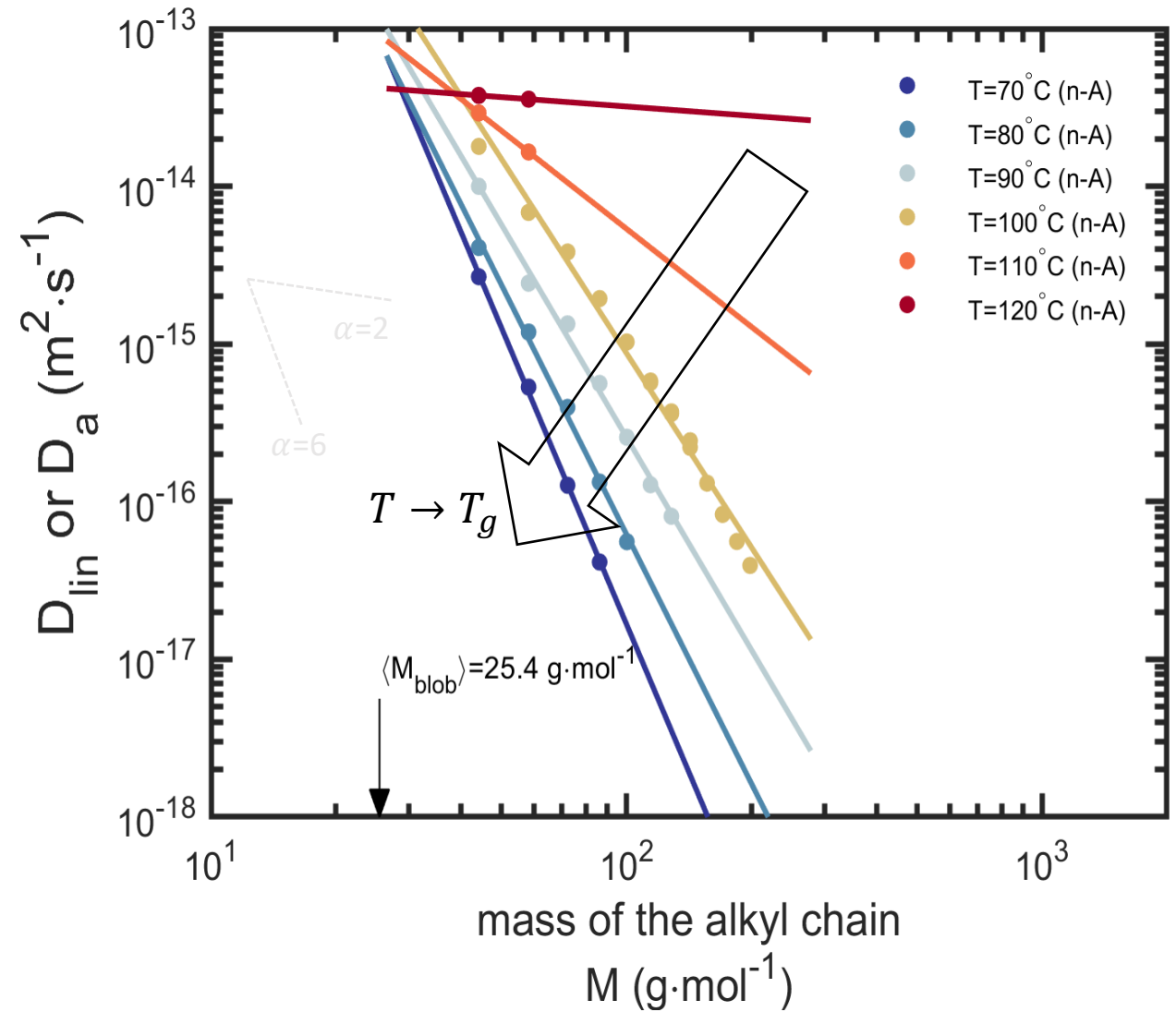
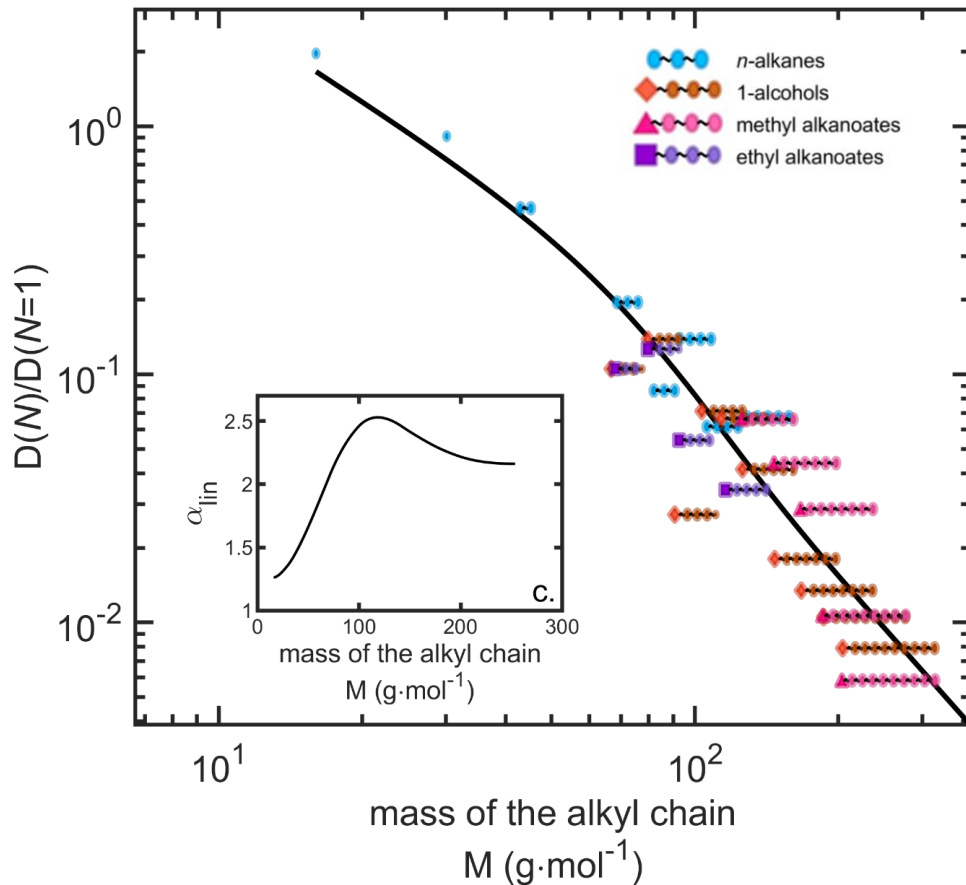
Solute effects (any solute) *FV effects (any polymer)*

$$\approx D_0(\xi) \exp\left(-\frac{E^*(\xi)}{RT}\right) \exp\left[-\frac{\tilde{V}_1^*(\xi)}{0.24(u + vT_g)} \left(2 + \frac{K_\alpha}{r(T - T_g) + K_\beta}\right)\right]$$

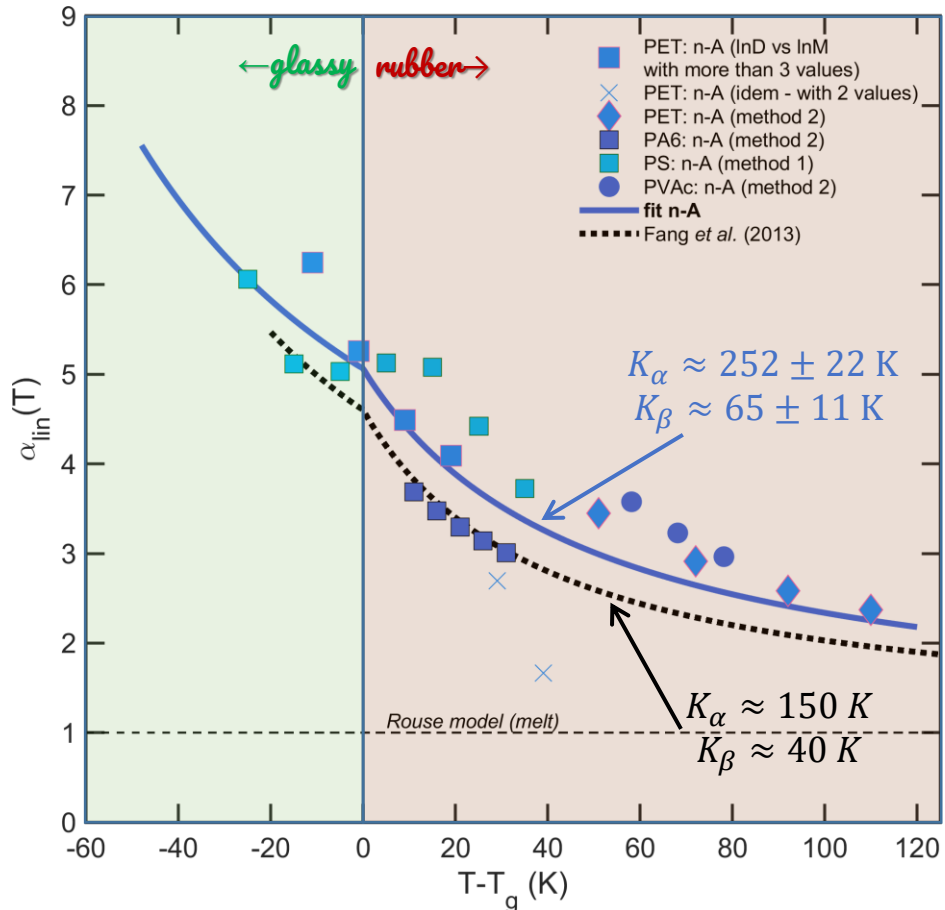
➤ Diffusivities of homologous solutes

1 2 ... n $M = n \cdot M_{blob}$

$$\frac{D_{lin}(M, T)}{D_{lin}(M_{blob}, T)} \propto \left(\frac{M}{M_{blob}} \right)^{-\alpha_{lin}(T, T_g)}$$



➤ Universal scaling including for non-documented polymers



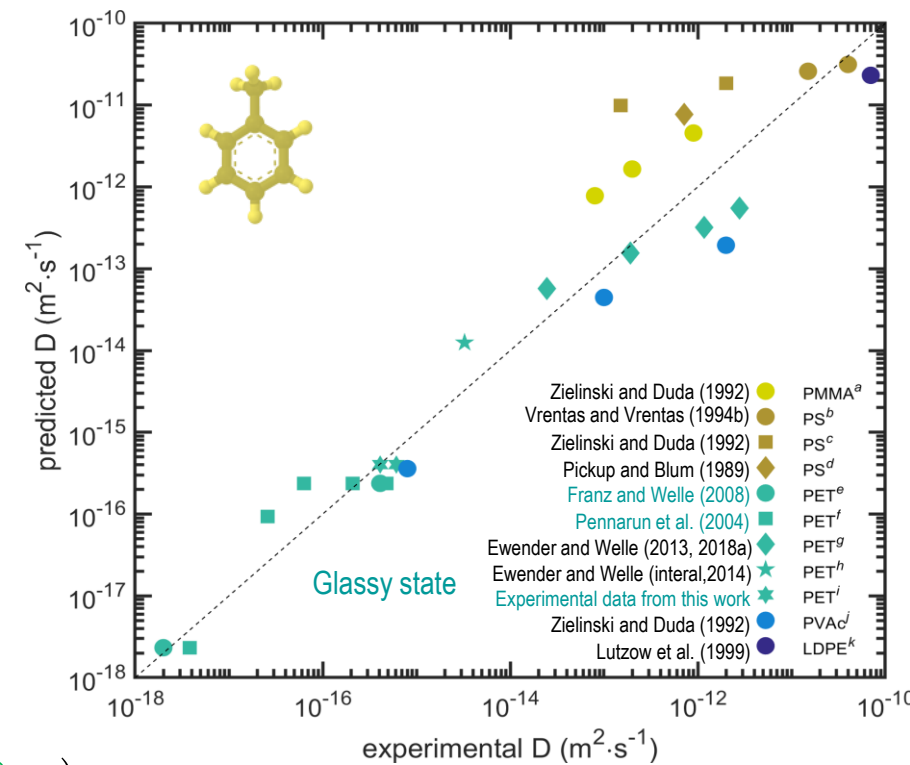
$$\frac{D_{lin}(M,T)}{D_{lin}(M_{blob},T)} \propto \left(\frac{M}{M_{blob}}\right)^{-\alpha_{lin}(T,T_g)}$$

$$\alpha_{lin}(T, T_g) = 1 + \frac{K_\alpha}{r(T - T_g) + K_\beta}$$

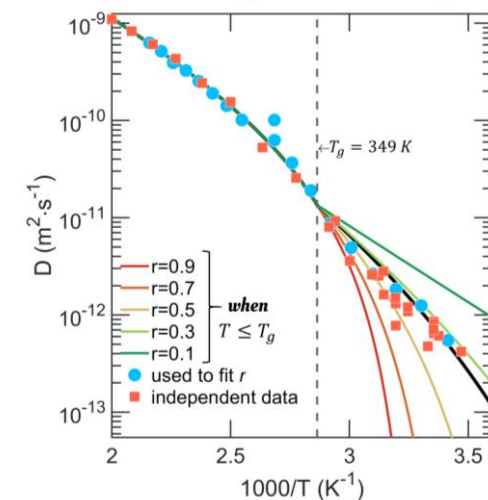
with $r = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } T \geq T_g \\ \frac{\alpha_g}{\alpha_c} & T < T_g \end{cases}$

$$D(\xi, T, T_g) = D_0 \exp\left(-\frac{E^*}{RT}\right) \exp\left(-\tilde{V}_1^* \frac{\alpha_{lin}(T, T_g) + 1}{0.24}\right)$$

parameter	water	toluene
D_0 (m ² ·s ⁻¹)	$2.94 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.87 \cdot 10^{-8}$
E^* (kJ·mol ⁻¹)	26.5 ± 2	0
\tilde{V}_1^* (cm ³ ·g ⁻¹)	19.3	84.48
r when $T \leq T_g$	0.34 ± 0.03	0.7 (dry)/ 0.28 (swollen)



Diffusivities of water in amorphous glassy and rubber PET inferred from the scaling of n -alkanes (α_{lin}^{T,T_g}), in PET above T_g .



➤ The conventional description of migration

The level of contamination depends essentially on the fatty character of the food in contact

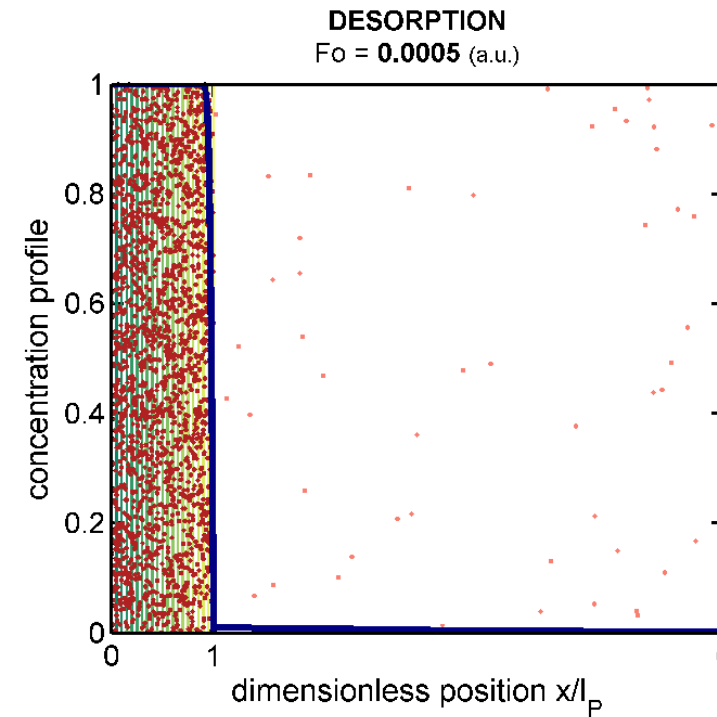
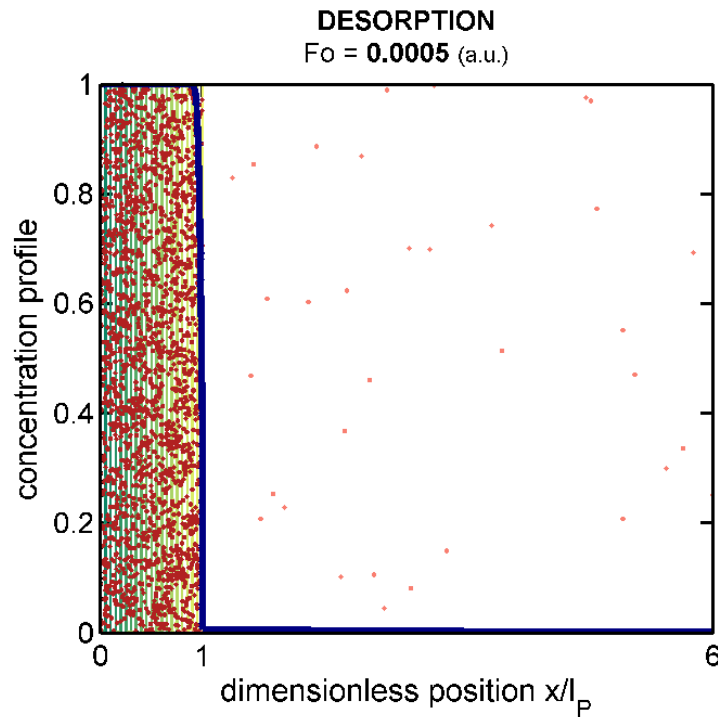
50 × more chemical affinity for P

50 × more chemical affinity for F

$K_{i,F/P} =$

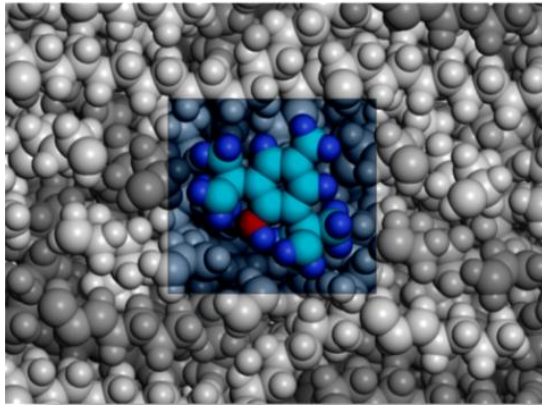
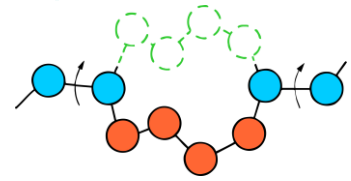
1/50

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$$K_{i,F/P} = \frac{C_{i,F}^{eq}}{C_{i,P}^{eq}} = \frac{1}{1 - \text{crystallinity}} \frac{\gamma_{i,P}^v}{\gamma_{i,F}^v}$$

➤ Calculating chemical potentials from an explicit representation of polymer entanglements, liquid structures



0: system state without solute
1: system state with one solute

- **Free energy perturbation:** $\exp\left(-\frac{F_1-F_0}{k_B T}\right) = \left\langle \exp\left(-\frac{U_1-U_0}{k_B T}\right) \right\rangle$
- **based on Jarsynski's equality:** $\exp\left(-\frac{F_1-F_0}{k_B T}\right) = \left\langle \exp\left(-\frac{W_{fast}}{k_B T}\right) \right\rangle$
- **Thermodynamic integration** to extended ensembles: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} F = \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} U \right\rangle_\lambda$
- **Replica exchange methods** = variant of above but without reaction coordinates (Metropolis algorithm to select likely configurations)
- **Possible biases:** only thermally accessible configurations contribute to exponential averaging

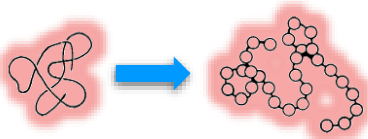
$$K_{i,F/P} = \frac{C_{i,F}^{eq}}{C_{i,P}^{eq}} = \frac{1}{1 - \text{crystallinity}} \frac{\gamma_{i,P}^{\nu, \text{amorphous}}}{\gamma_{i,F}^{\nu}}$$

➤ Flory theory of amorphous states at equilibrium: implicit representation of polymers

$$\frac{\mu_{i,k}^{excess}}{k_B T} = \ln \gamma_{i,k}^v = \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_k}\right) \phi_k + \chi_{i,k}^T \phi_k^2 \approx \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_k}\right) + \chi_{i,k}^T \text{ when } \phi_k \rightarrow 0$$

*lattice approximation
(incompressible)*

random coil in
absence of
volume
exclusion



same
configuration
with excluding
volumes



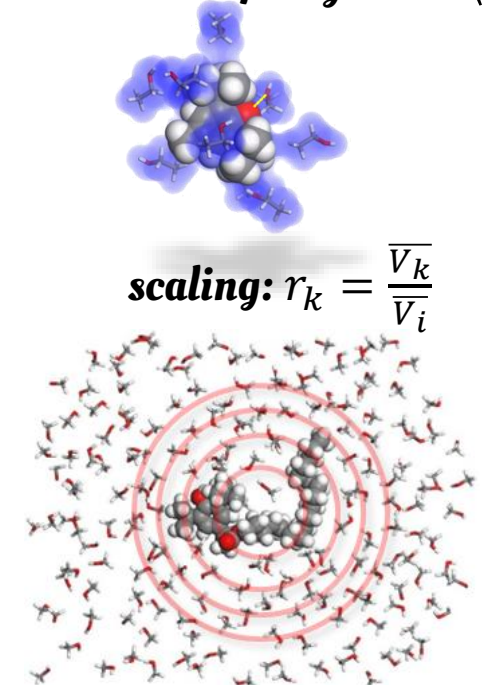
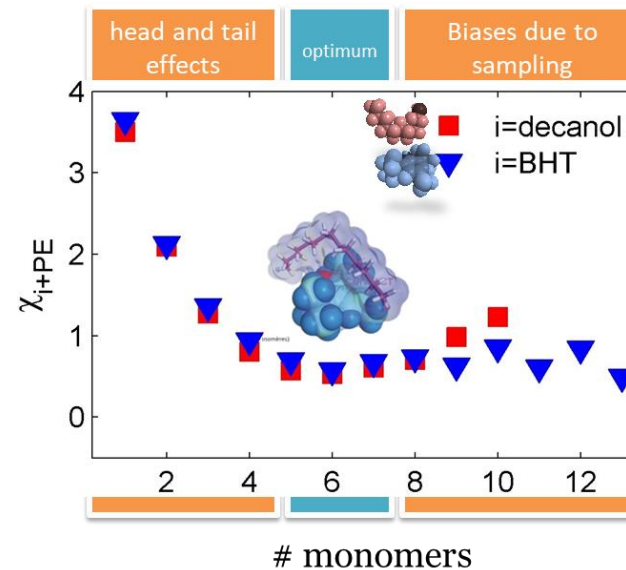
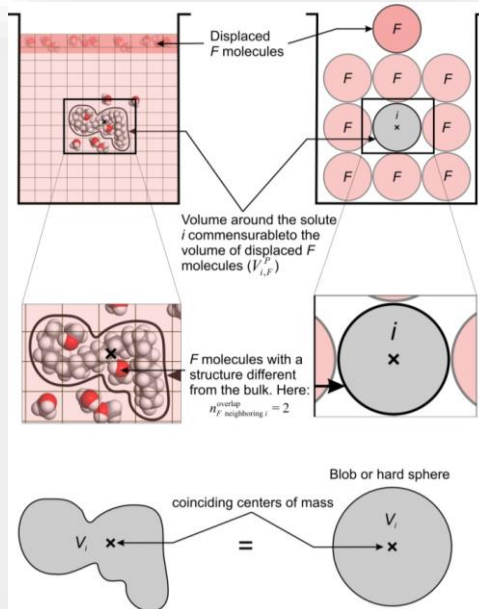
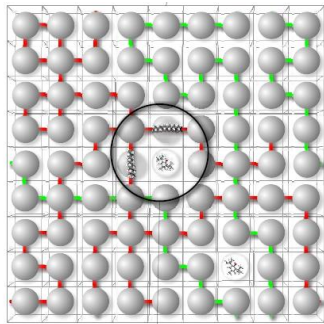
*off-lattice approximation
(incompressible, atomistic scale)*

$$2k_B T \chi_{i,k}^T = \langle h_{i+k} \rangle_T + \langle h_{k+i} \rangle_T - \langle h_{k+k} \rangle_T - \langle h_{i+i} \rangle_T$$

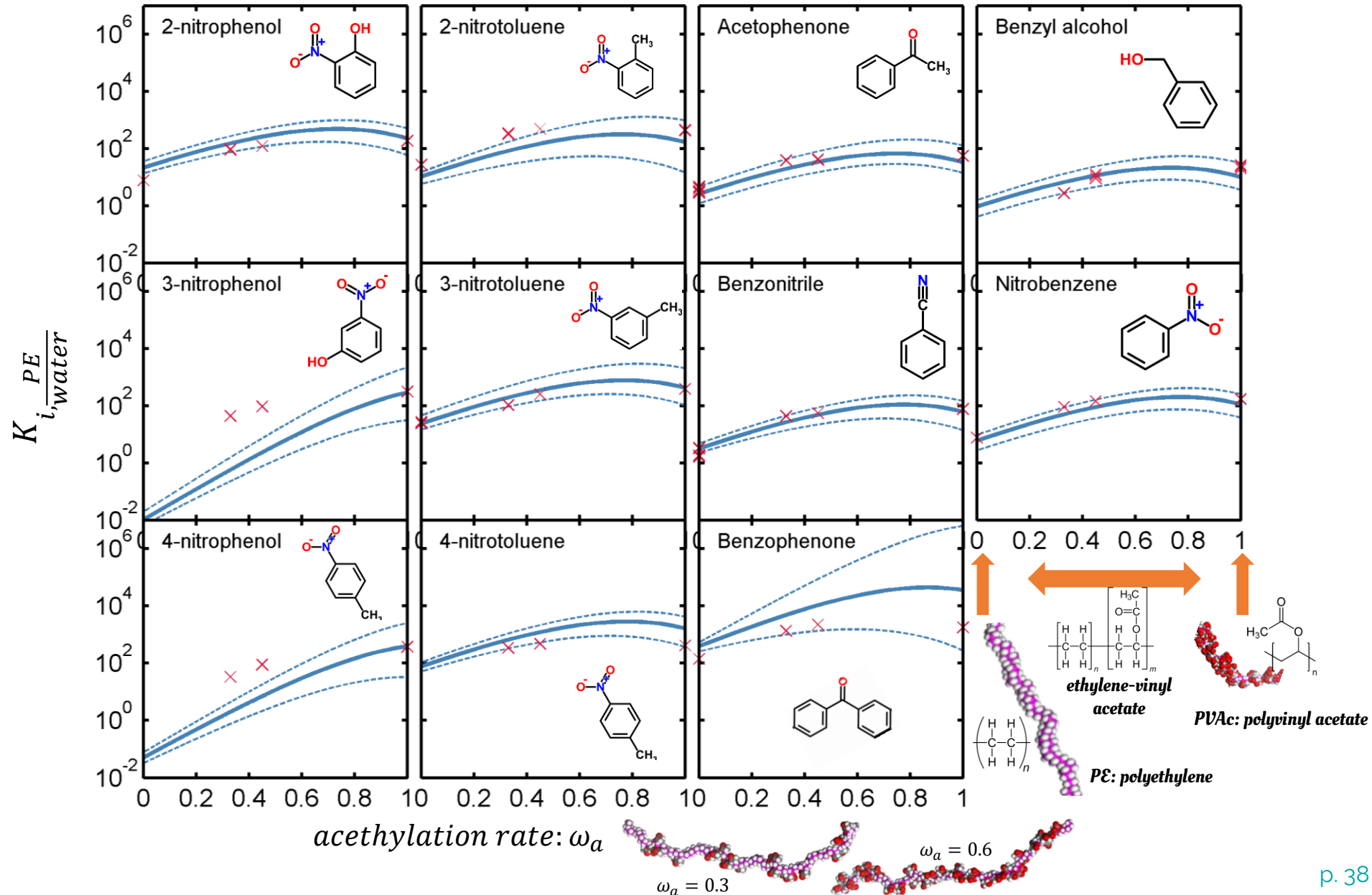
with $\langle h_{A+B} \rangle_T = \langle z_{A+B} \epsilon_{A+B} \rangle_T \approx \langle z_{A+B} \rangle \langle \epsilon_{A+B} \rangle_T$

Pair contact energy: $\langle \epsilon_{A+B} \rangle_T$

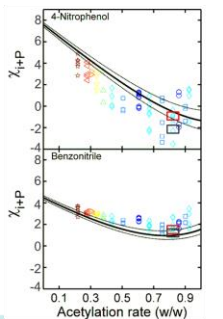
Number of neighbors: $\langle z_{A+B} \rangle$



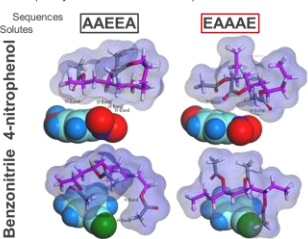
➤ Partition coefficients water-EVA for polar solutes



Effect of acetylation rate on χ_{i+P}

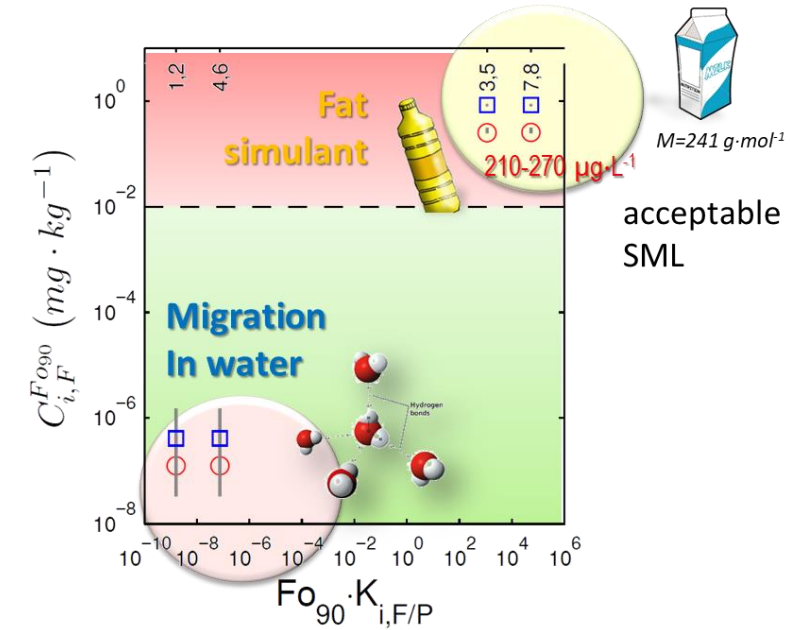
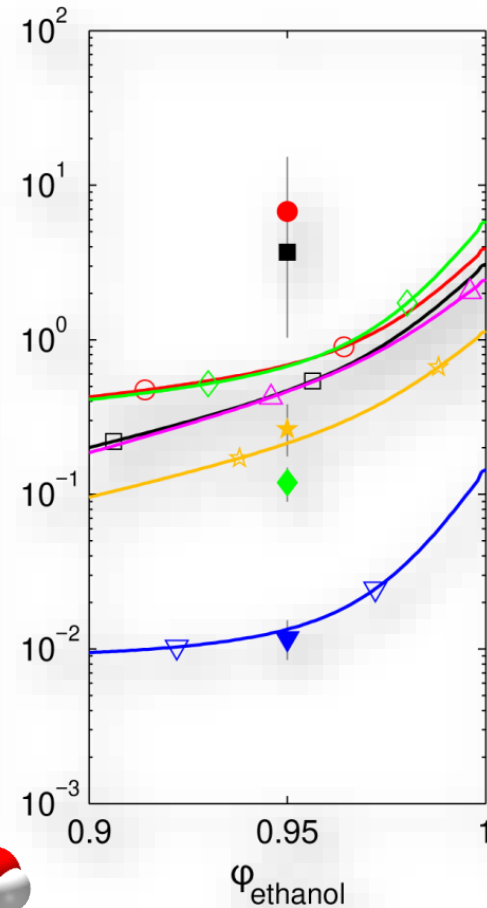
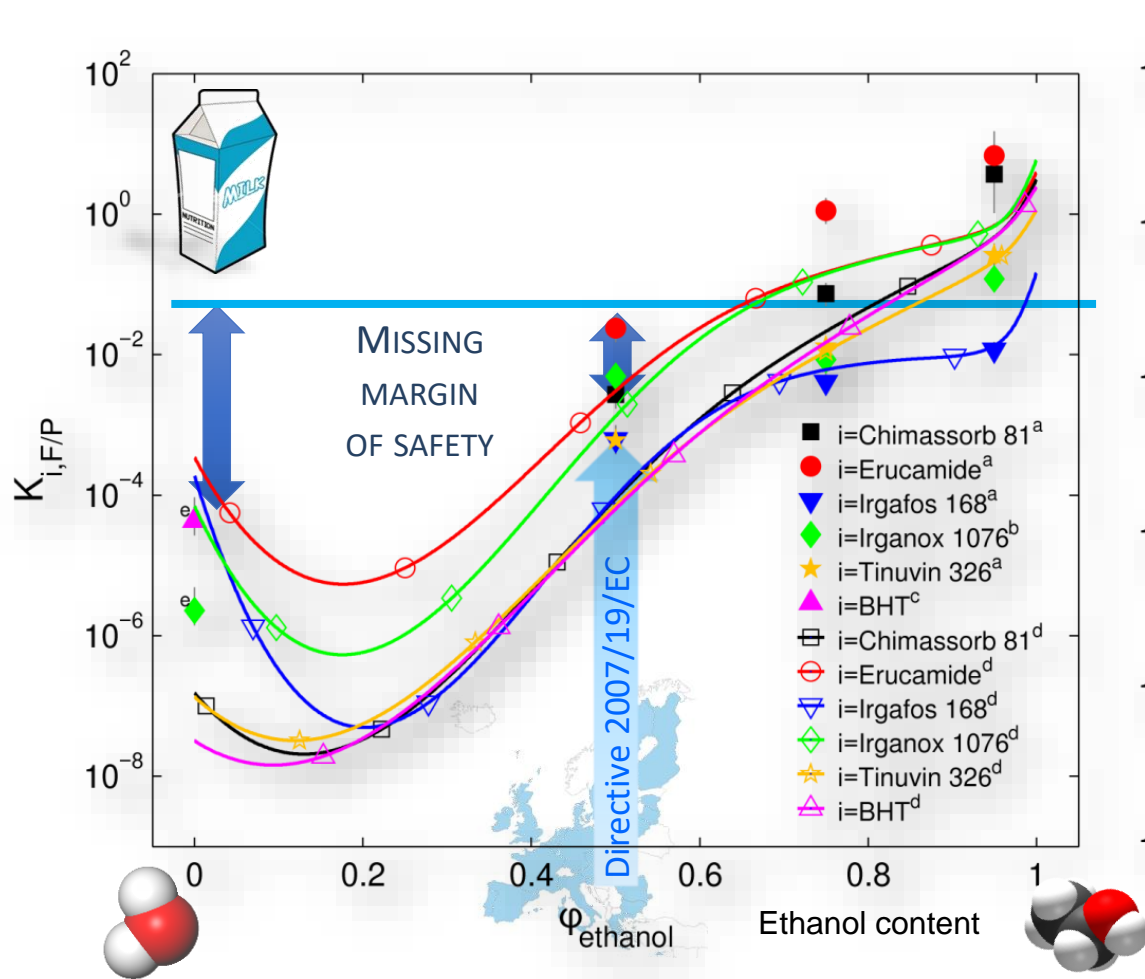


Configurations of minimal energies: $n = 5$ (acetylation rate w/w = 0.82)



\circ Microscopic calculations
— mean field approximation

➤ Molecular modeling challenged the choice of food simulants



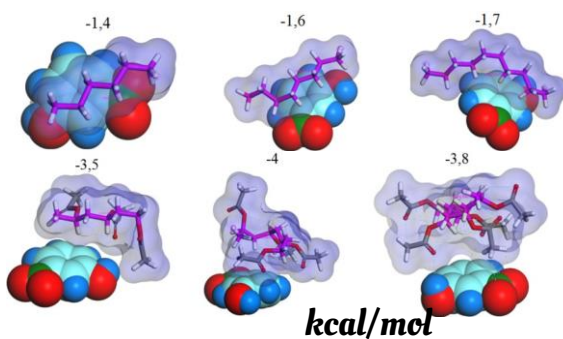
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Date of case	Last change	Reference	Country
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RASFF Portal

food contact materials
 migration of isopropyl thioxanthone (250 $\mu\text{g/l}$) from packaging of milk for babies from Spain

➤ Tailored calculations for IAS and NIAS



Partition coefficient calculator

temperature: 40

Solute in the list:

Food Simulant:

Polymer 1: Plasticizer A, B, no plasticizer

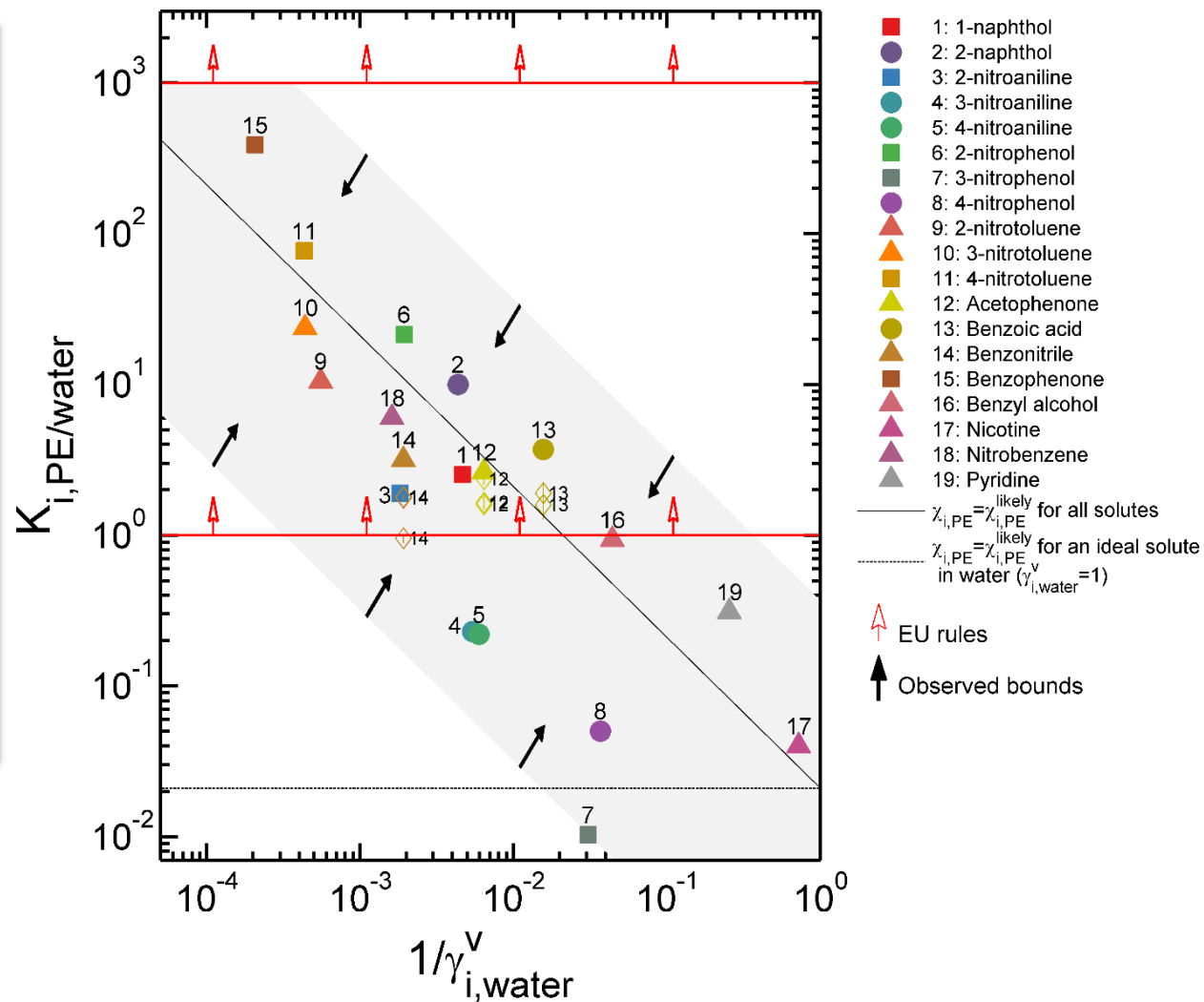
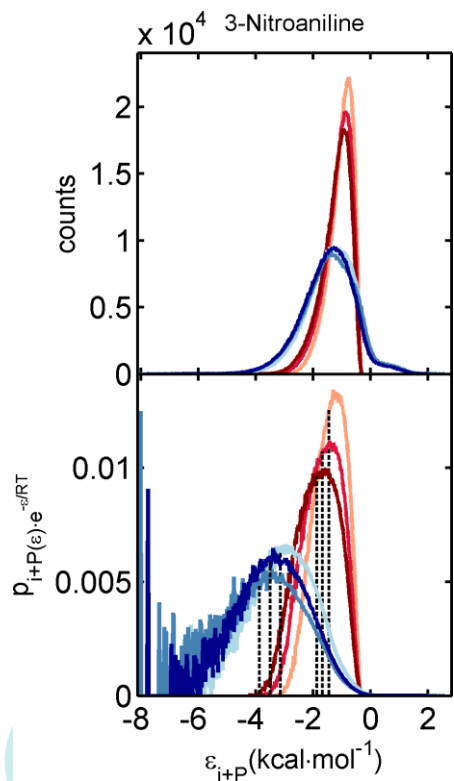
Polymer 2: Plasticizer A, B, no plasticizer

crystallinity:

crystallinity:

browse values estimate

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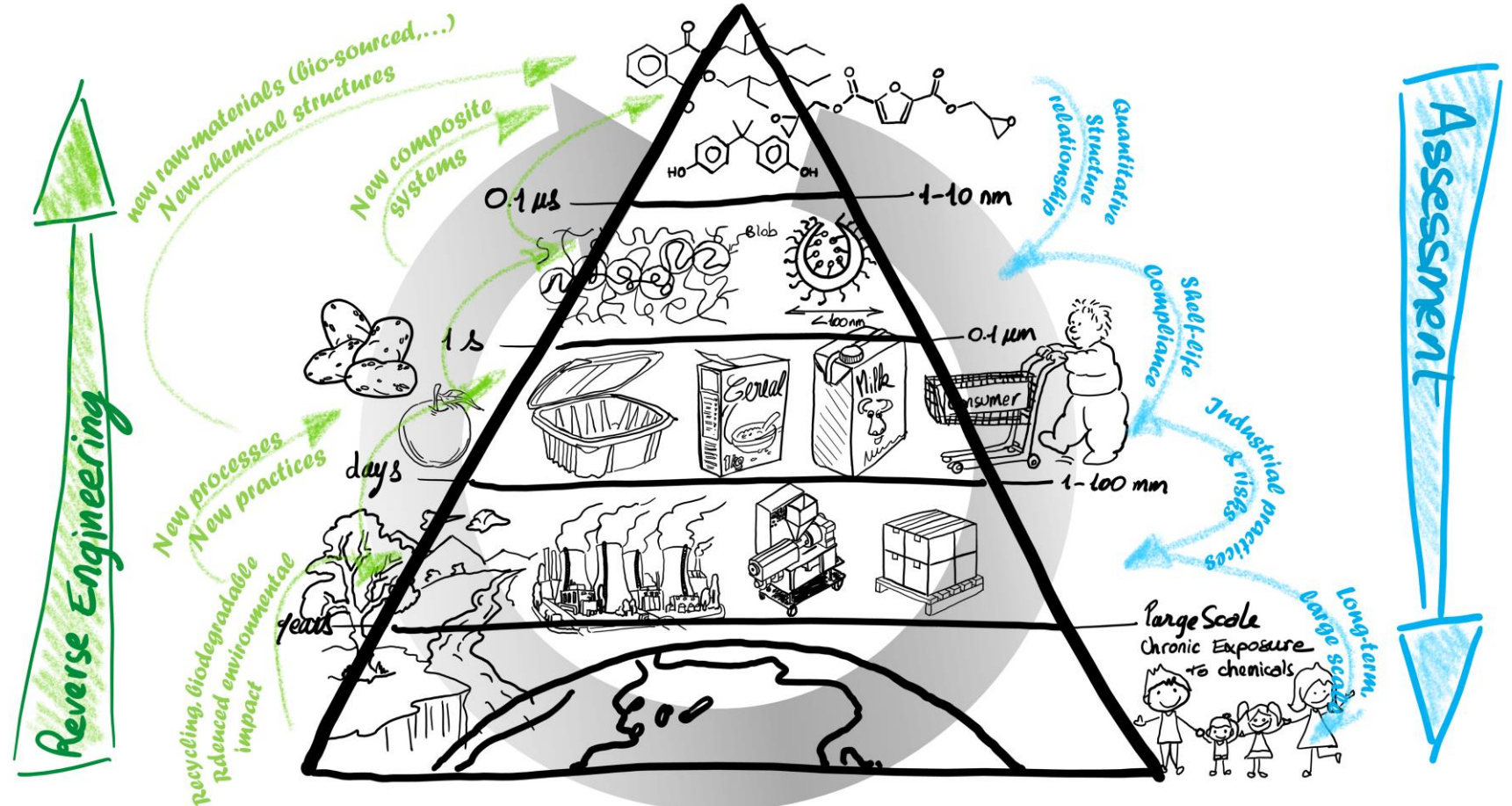


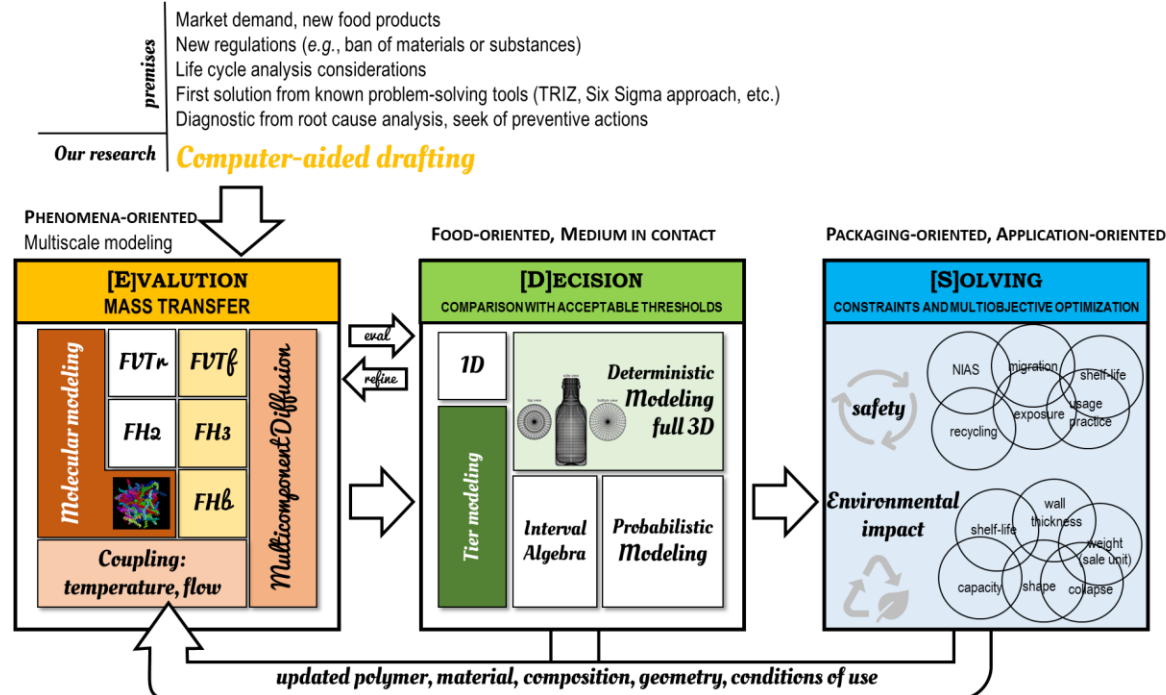
Conclusions & Perspectives



➤ Future of modeling = safe-by-design + ecodesign

Think
BIG
with modeling





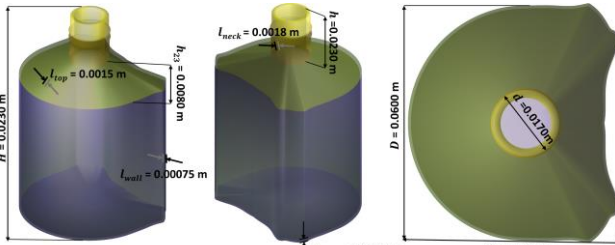
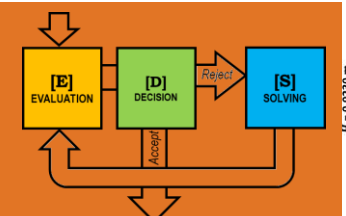
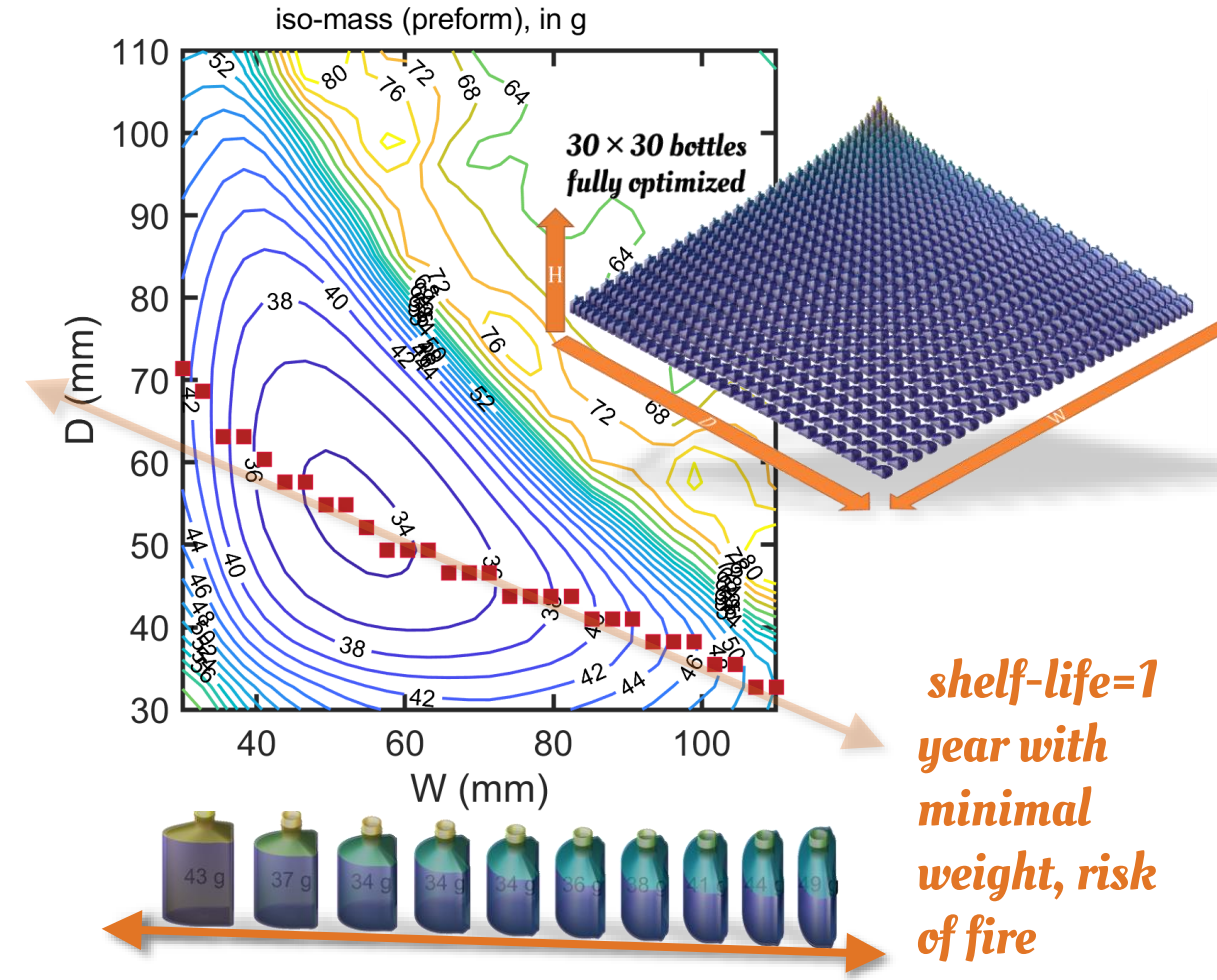
FV: hole-free volume theory of diffusion
 (r=rigid and f=flexible solutes)

FH: Flory Huggins approximation of chemical affinities and temperature effects
 (2=binary and 3=ternary mixtures, b= formulation for block polymers)

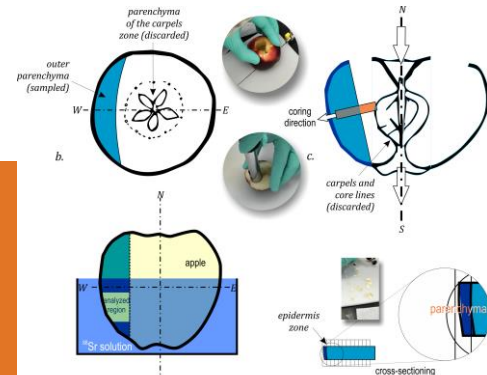
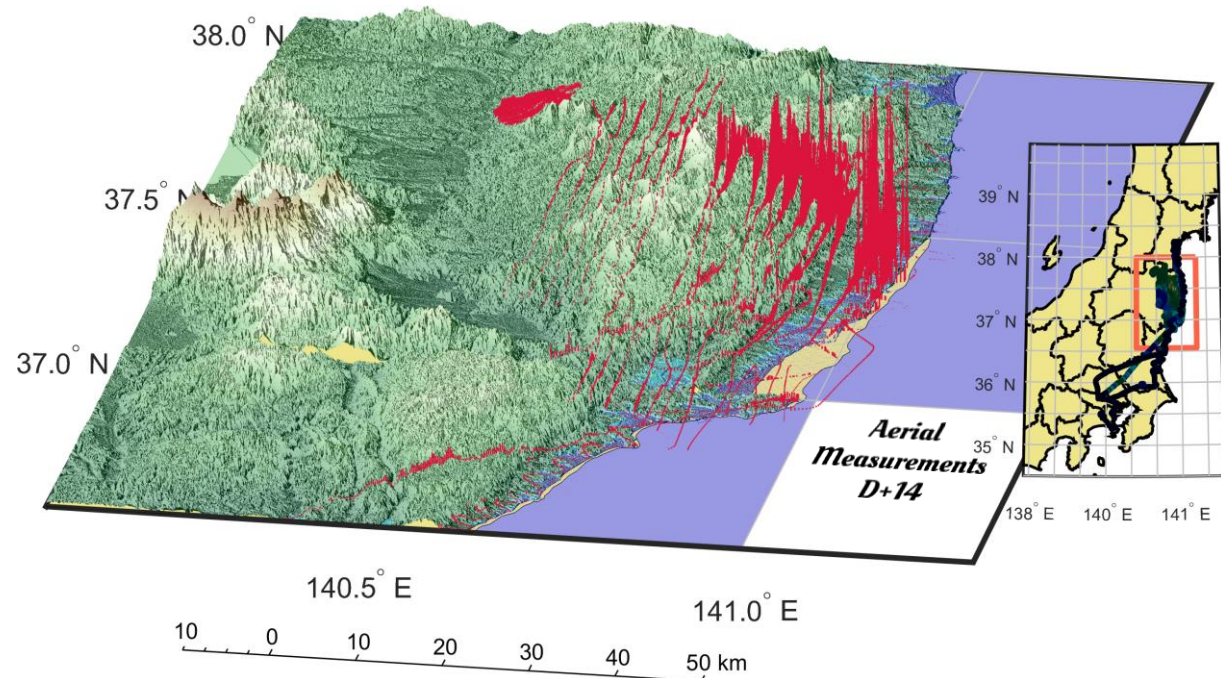
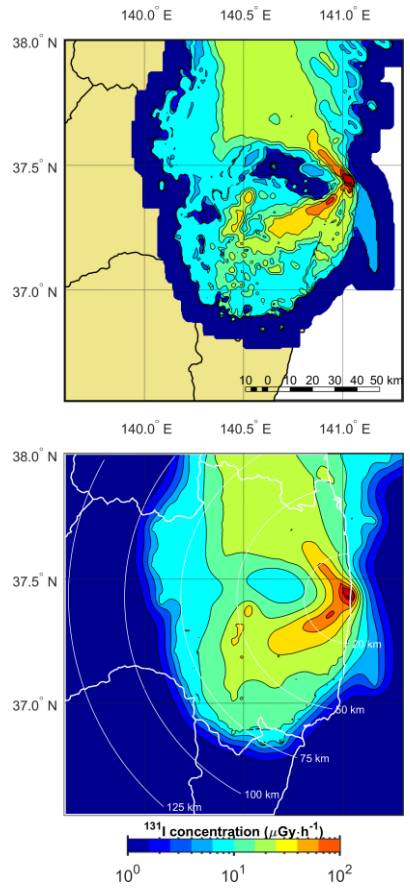
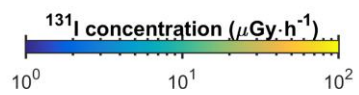
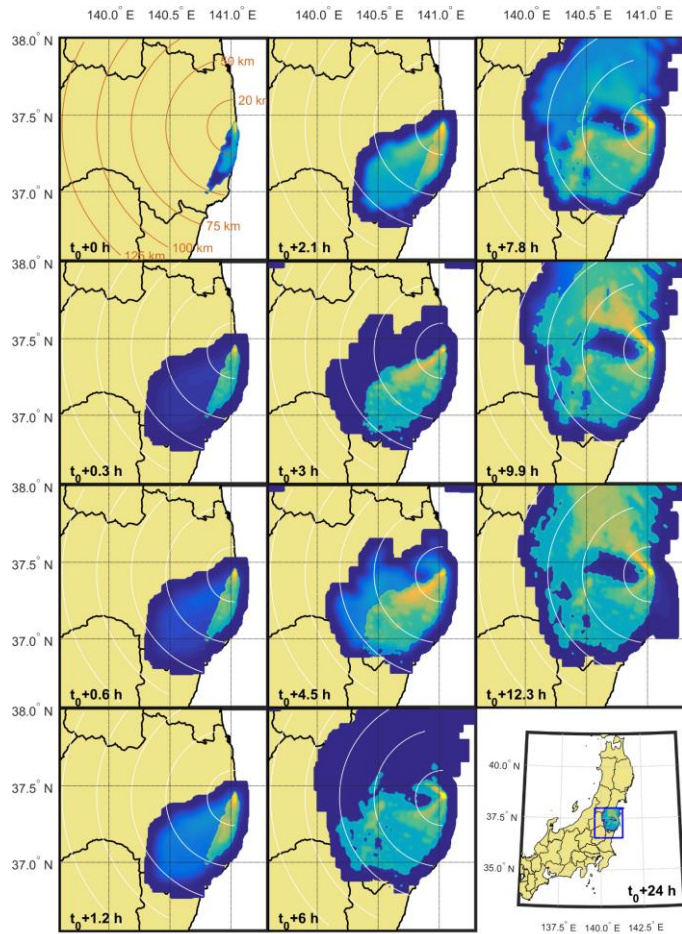
Our research **Rapid prototyping**

Minimized waste, migration risk, optimized shelf-life, optimized process and supply chain
 Computer-aided engineering (mechanical resistance) and manufacturing (extrusion-blowing)
 Additional validation (e.g., consumer acceptance)
 Global environmental footprint
Safe-by-design and eco-design approaches
 3D printing, augmented-reality

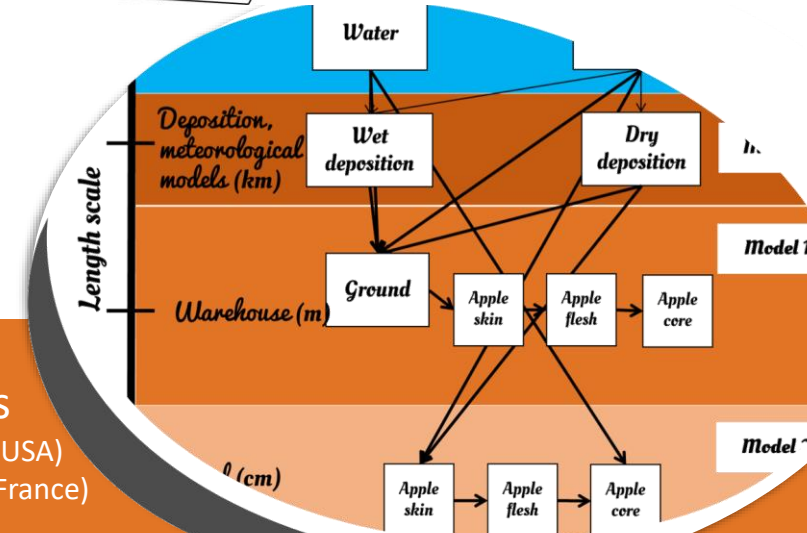
applications



Packaging design
 Minatures PET bottles for alcoholic beverages served in planes



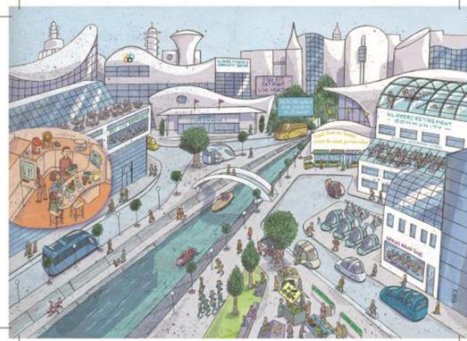
Collaborations
 FDA (WEAC, Boston, MA, USA)
 IRSN (Fontenay-les-Roses, France)



> Let's foresight modeling support public decision



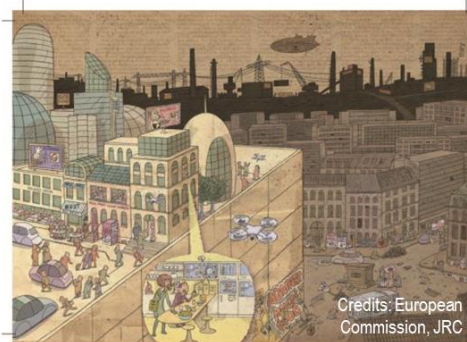
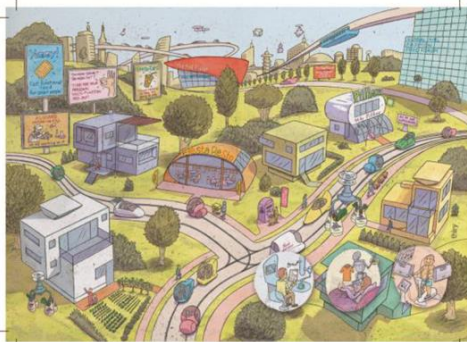
Strong community spirit (sustainable, safety and quality)



Low agriculture commodity and food price



High agriculture commodity and food price



Individualistic society (individual rights and initiatives valued)

Credits: European Commission, JRC



+ poor design and GMP
+ weak regulation rules
+ poor training



= Risk of Contamination + Environmental impact

$$\text{ignorance} = \frac{IT}{\text{WHAT ABOUT IT}}$$



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FLORY HUGGINS APPROXIMATION AT ATOMIC SCALE

$$\ln(\gamma_{12}^H) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_2}\right)\phi_1 + \chi_{12}\phi_2^2$$

$k = P, F$

IDEALIZED POLYMER CHAINS ($k = P$)

$$2k_p T \chi_{12} = (u_{1+2})_T + (u_{2+1})_T - (u_{2+2})_T - (u_{1+1})_T$$

EXCESS ENTHALPIES ARE CALCULATED FROM SIMPLE A MIXING RULE OF PAIR CONTACT ENERGIES

$$(H_{A+B})_T = (e_{A+B} z_{A+B})_T \approx (e_{A+B})_T (z_{A+B})_T$$

References: J. Chem Phys. 1988, 192, 1988
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Migration phenomenon of substances coming from polymers

Substance concentration

Material structure
Glass transition temperature
Degree of crystallinity

Substance properties
Diffusion and partition coefficients

Material thickness

Temperature and time of contact

Packaging geometry
Surface area of contact



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 - 1.3 Basic legal framework
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