

# HIGH-PERFORMANCE LOW-LOSS CERAMIC FILLER WITH ENHANCED SURFACE FOR NEXT-GENERATION THERMAL MANAGEMENT IN ELECTRONICS

Bei Xiang, Jiarui Yan, Kade McGarrity, Anand Murugaiah  
April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

MOMENTIVE<sup>®</sup>  
TECHNOLOGIES



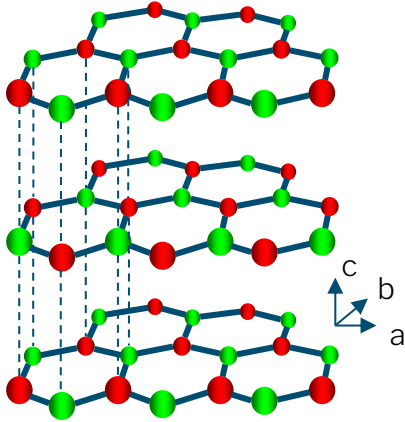


We are an **Advanced Materials Company** engaged in the design and manufacture of ultra-high-performance **quartz crucibles, quartz products** and **ceramic products**.

Our products are vital to the semiconductor industry, enabling the production of logic and memory chips, power control devices, and multiple systems for electric vehicles.

# HEXAGONAL BORON NITRIDE FOR THERMAL MANAGEMENT

## Crystal Structure of Hexagonal Boron Nitride (h-BN)



### Key Features and Typical Benefits

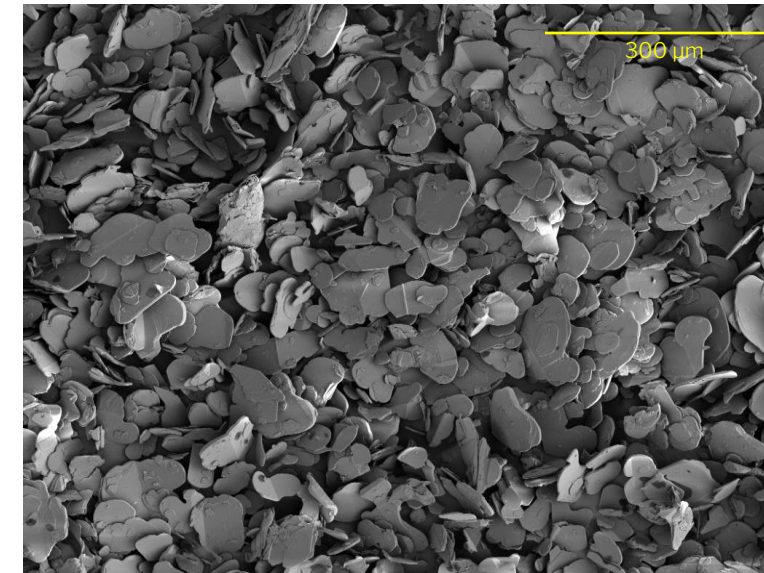
- High thermal conductivity
- High electrical resistivity
- High thermal stability
- Low dielectric constant

### Typical properties of Hexagonal Boron Nitride (h-BN)

Property	Typical Value*
Theoretical density	2.25 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Thermal conductivity	300 W/mK <sup>†</sup>
Volume resistivity	10 <sup>15</sup> Ohm-cm
Dielectric constant	3.9
Mohs hardness	1.5

\*Typical properties are average data and are not to be used as or to develop specifications.

<sup>†</sup>In-plane conductivity in the a-b plane of the crystal





Electrical Vehicle

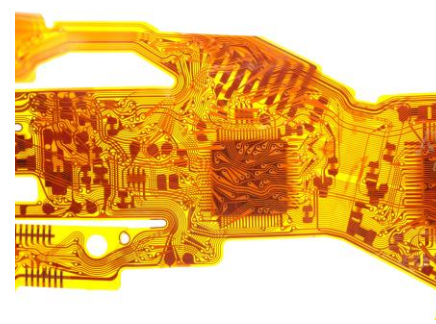


High Frequency  
Telecommunication

Thermal Management Challenges



LED Lighting



Consumer  
Electronics

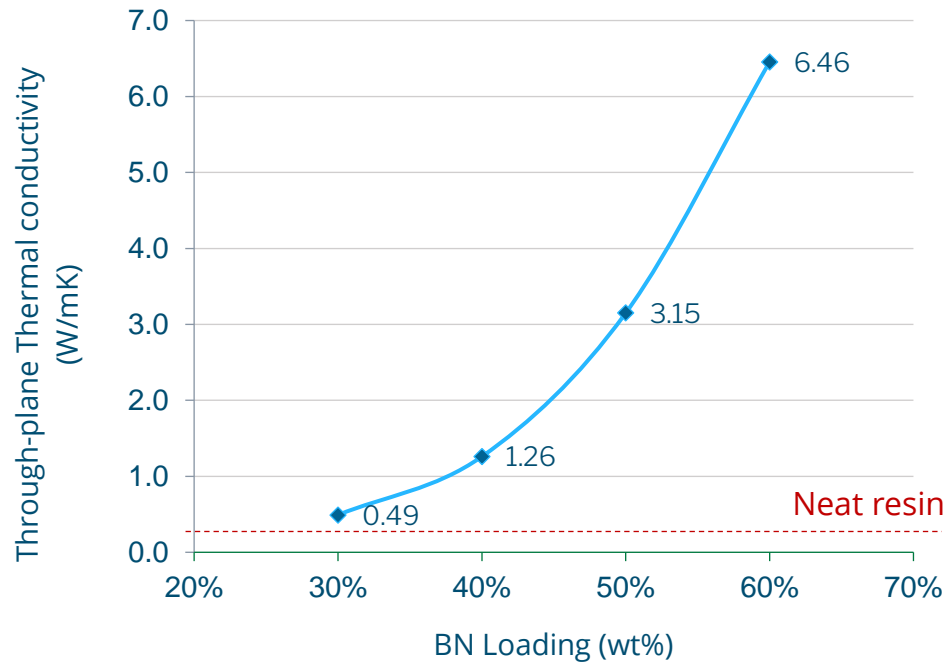
*BN Solution:*

- *Higher thermal conductivity (TC)*
- *Higher electrical resistivity*
- *Thinner bond line thickness (BLT)*
- *Lower dielectric constant (Dk)*
- *Good mechanical compliance*
- *Lighter weight*



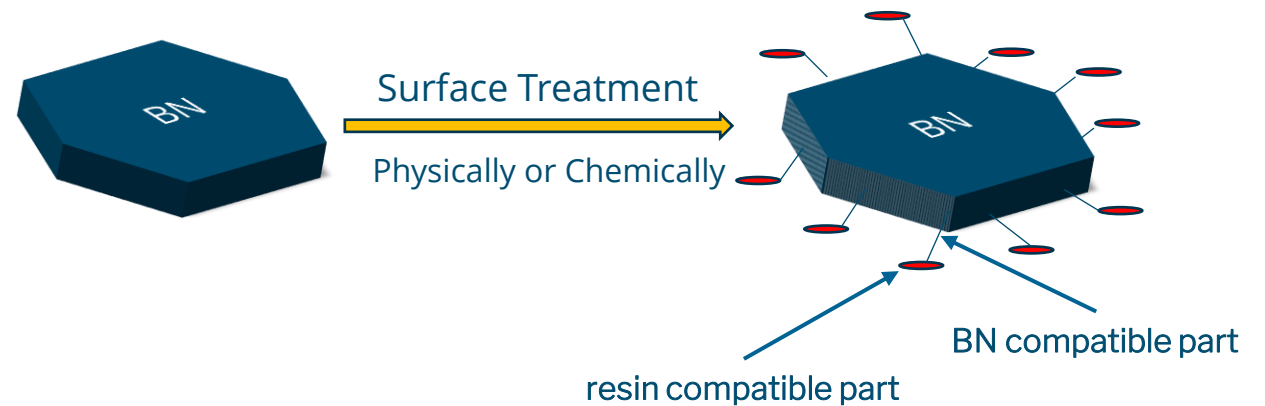
# VISCOSITY INCREASE PUT A LIMIT ON TC OF BN FILLED RESINS

## TC of BN filled silicone @ various loadings



Max BN loading in resin is severely restricted for applications with stringent viscosity requirement.

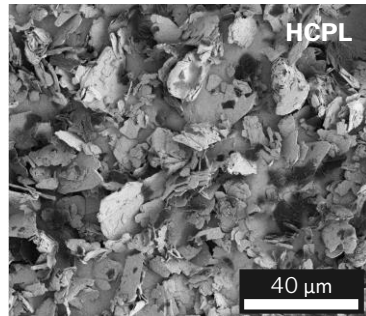
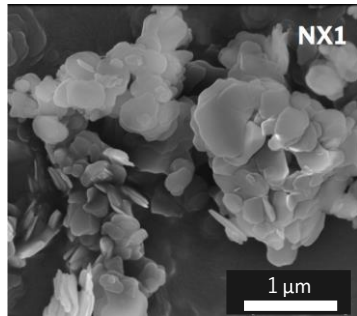
Surface modification (chemically or physically) on BN powder surface without damaging crystallinity to enable higher BN loading with acceptable viscosity to TIMs.



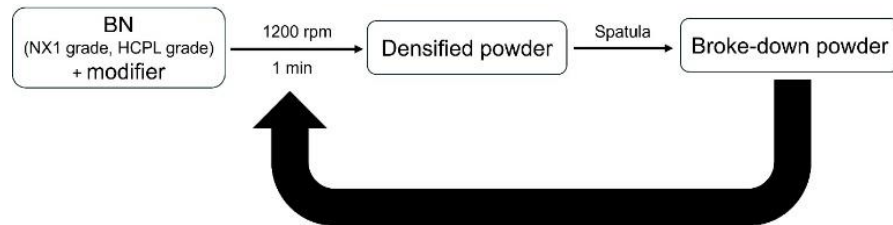
# SURFACE MODIFICATION FOR ENHANCING COMPATIBILITY OF BN PLATELETS WITH EPOXY

## Selected MT BN Platelet Grades for Surface Treatment

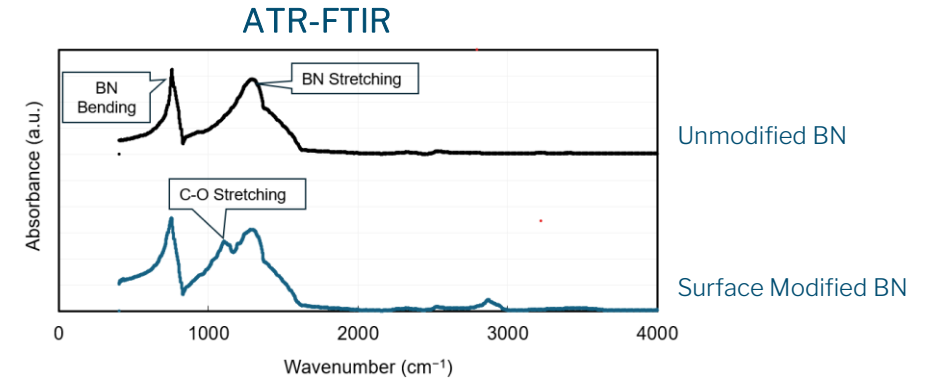
Typical Physical Properties	NX1	HCPL
Mean Particle Size $\mu\text{m}$	0.9	10
Surface Area $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$	20	7
Tap Density $\text{g}/\text{cm}^3$	0.12	0.40
Oxygen %	1.00	0.40
Soluble Borates %	0.10	0.20



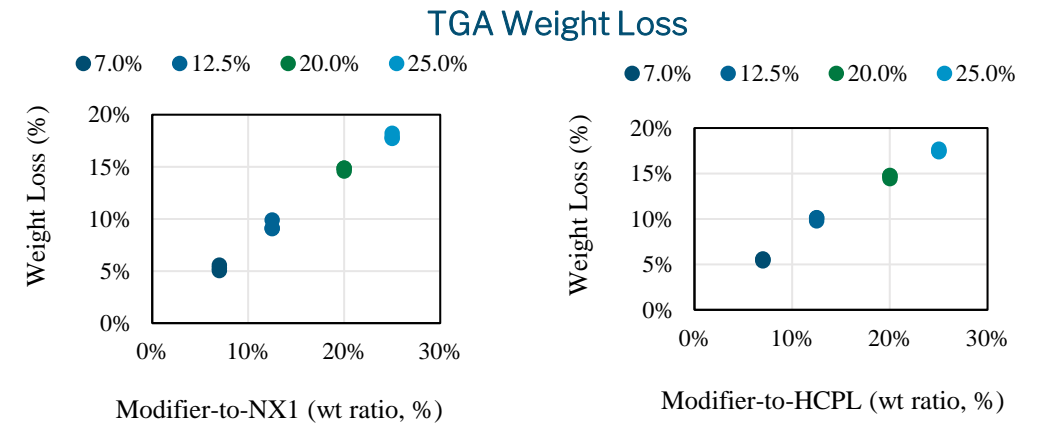
## Preparation



## Characterization of Surface Modified BN Platelets



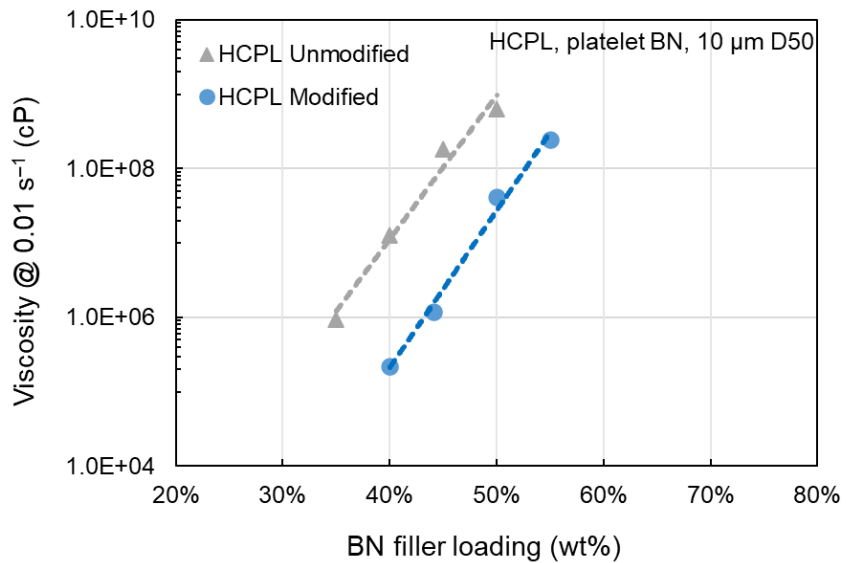
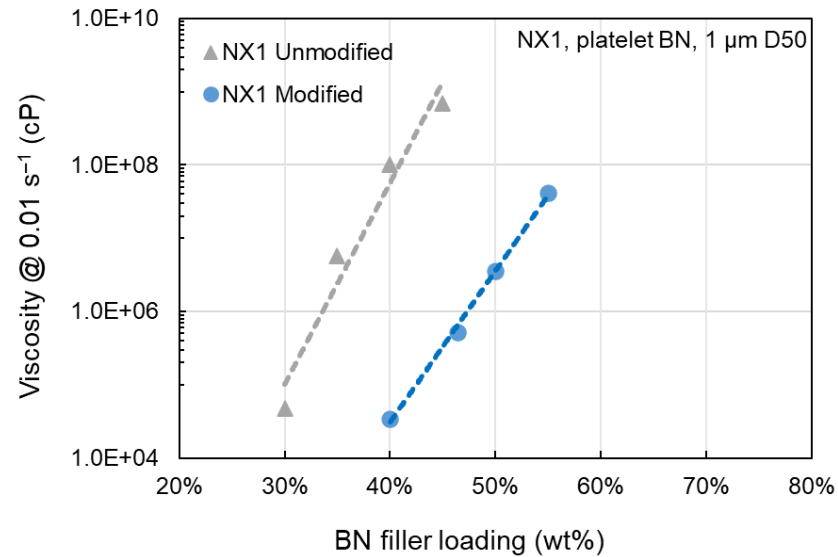
Characteristic peak of surface treatment agent is identified on treated BN.



Surface treatment level is controllable.

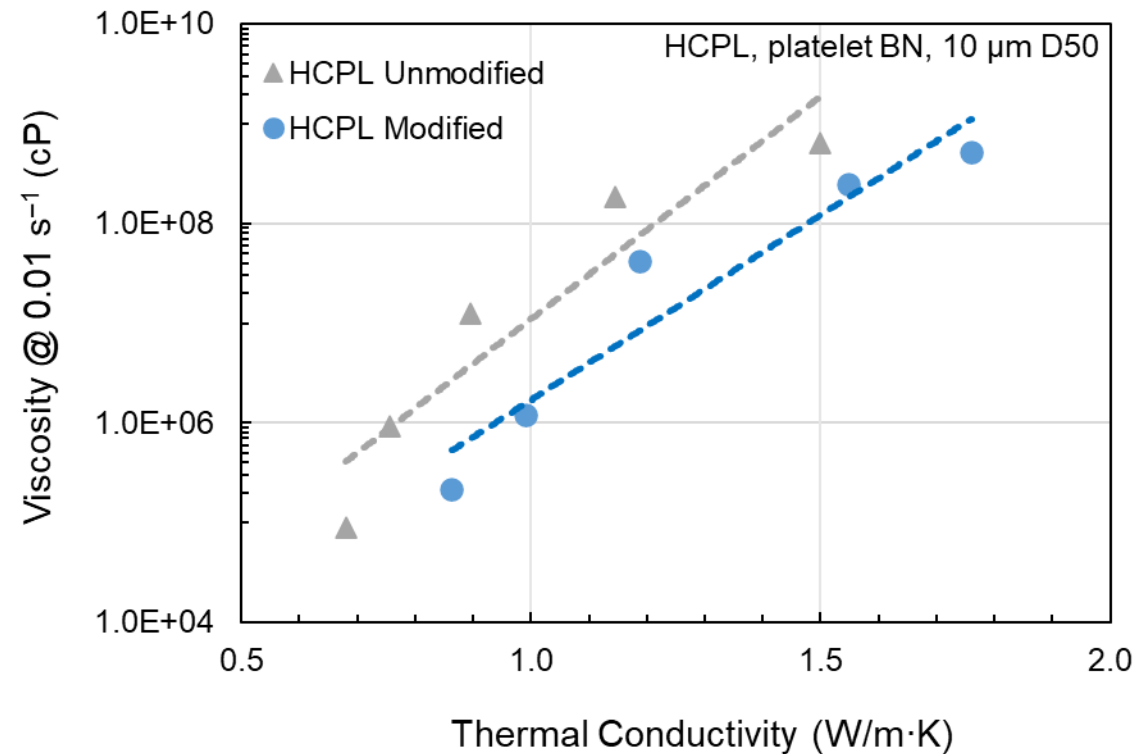
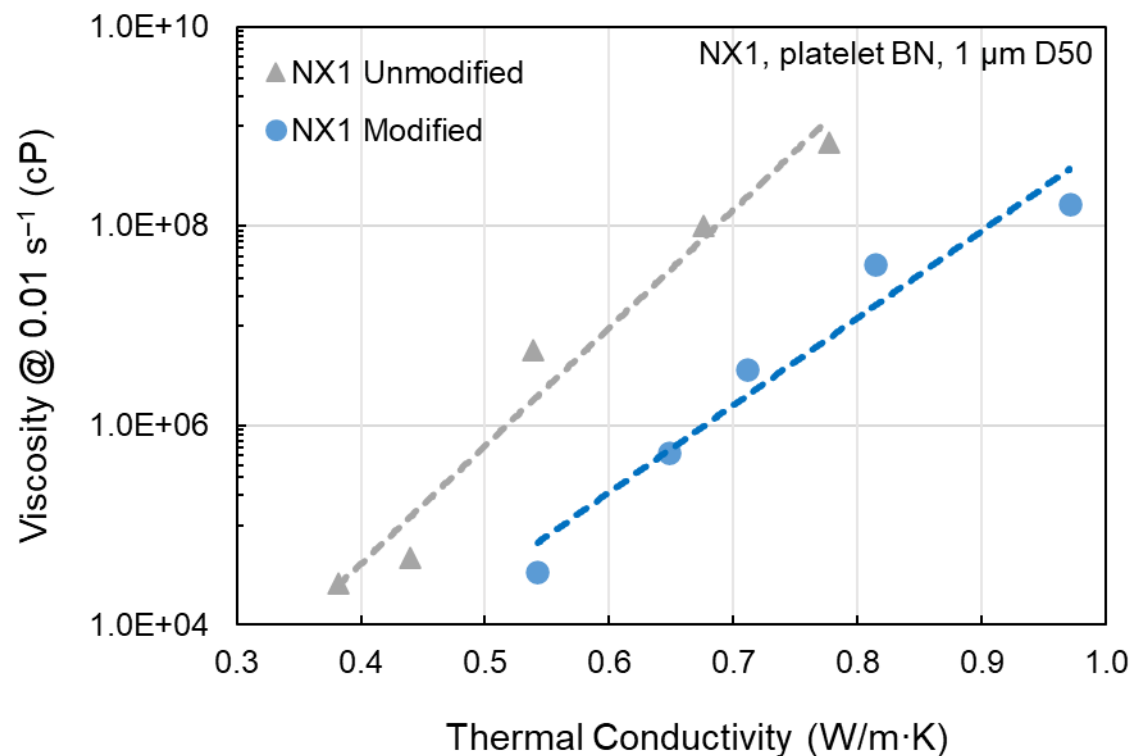
Controllable surface modification process has been established successfully for platelet BN powder.

# SIGNIFICANT VISCOSITY REDUCTION WITH MODIFIED BN



- Significantly improved compatibility with epoxy resin.
- Up to 2 orders of magnitude reduction in viscosity with same formulation.

# EPOXY THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT WITH MODIFIED BN



>25% thermal conductivity improvement without impacting epoxy viscosity.

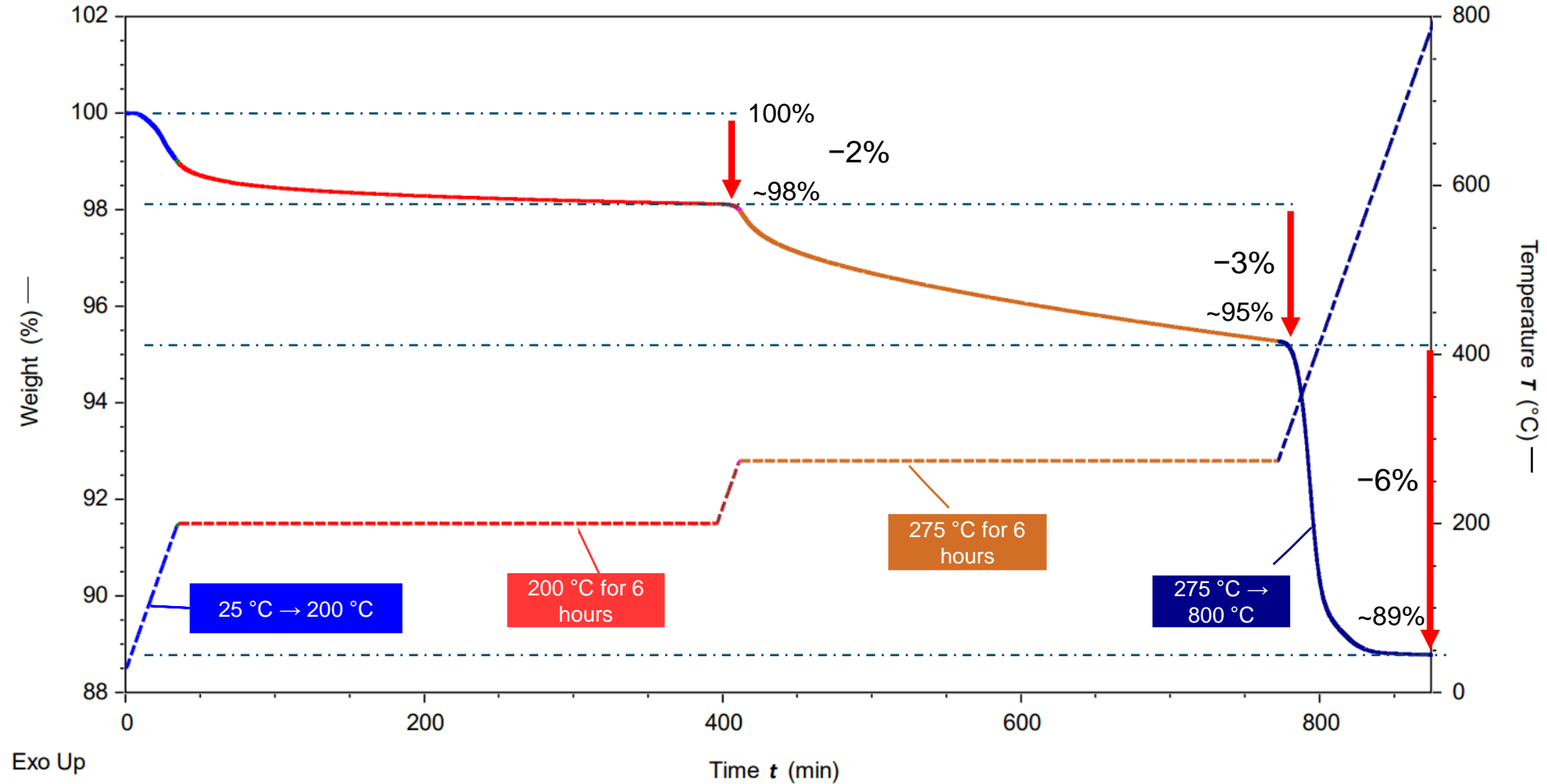


THANK YOU

MOMENTIVE®  
TECHNOLOGIES



# THERMAL STABILITY UP TO 200°C



6 parts of BN + 1 part of modifier

Surface functionality of treated BN is stable up to 200°C in inert gas.