

**AERONAUTICAL MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES  
SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY**

**OVERVIEW**

**FIREMEN—FIRE RESISTANT MATERIALS**

**RTOP 510-56-01**

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FIREMEN	PROGRAM	REVIEW
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**PROGRAM OBJECTIVE: AERO MATERIALS & STRUCTURES SYSTEMS  
TECHNOLOGY**

**SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: FIREMEN--FIRE RESISTANT MATERIALS**

- RTOP OBJECTIVE (510-56-01) TO PROVIDE THE MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY REQUIRED TO MAKE FUTURE AIRCRAFT MATERIALS, STRUCTURES AND SUBSYSTEMS AS FIRE RESISTANT AS FEASIBLE, AND TO ACCELERATE THE TRANSFER OF THIS TECHNOLOGY TO AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURERS.
- TARGETS
  - PROVIDE MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY FOR REDUCING FLAME PROPAGATION, SMOKE, AND TOXICITY IN CABIN
  - INCREASE FIRE CONTAINMENT CAPABILITY IN SELECTED AREAS OF THE CABIN/CARGO
  - EVALUATE FIRE-RESISTANT TRANSPARENT DUST COVERINGS
  - DEVELOP ADVANCED SEAT CUSHION SYSTEMS
  - PROVIDE MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY FOR FIRE-RESISTANT FILMS, ADHESIVES AND INKS

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STRUCTURES SYSTEM  
TECHNOLOGY**

**SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: FIRE-RESISTANT MATERIALS  
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**RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS**

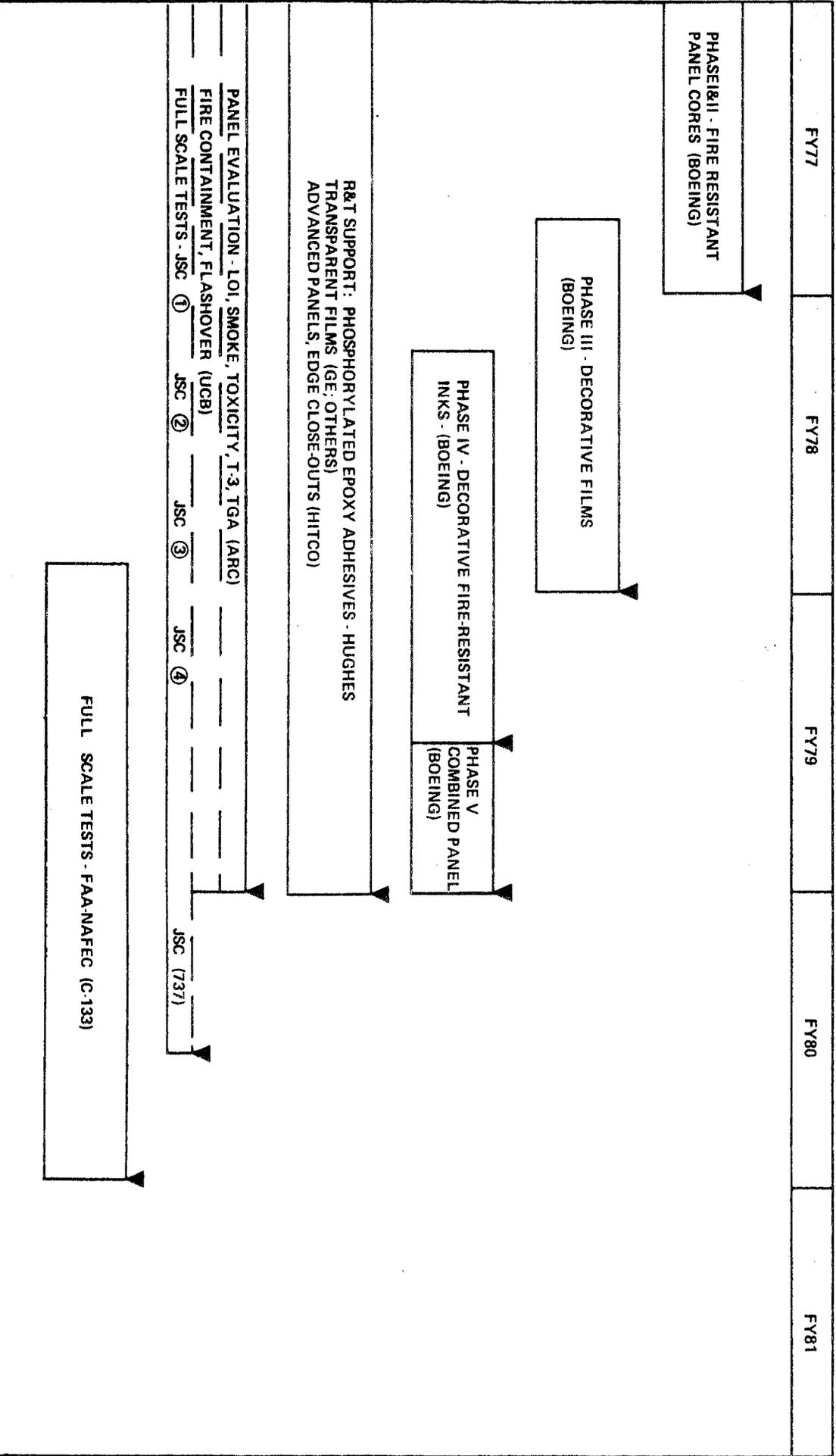
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NET R&D FUNDS (\$K)	100	265	100	0	0
IMS	30	35	60	0	0
MANPOWER (MY)					
PROFESSIONAL (IN-HOUSE)	1	0.7	1	0	0
CIVIL SERVICE					
SUPPORT					
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PROGRAM PLAN, FY '78

NO.	ACTIVITY	NET R&D \$K		DURATION
1.	NAS2-7978, MOD. NO. 3, "DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION OF INTERIOR PANEL COMPOSITES AND FILMS," BOEING.	99(PY77)		9/77-9/78
2.	RFP 2-27132, "DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION OF INKS," BOEING.	99		1/78-1/79
3.	NAS2-9337, "DEVELOPMENT OF FIRE-RESISTANT AIRCRAFT SEAT," DOUGLAS.	99		10/77-10/78
4.	RFP 2- "FLAME PROPAGATION, FLASHOVER TESTS OF DECORATIVE FILMS/INKS," BOEING.	32		3/78-3/79
5.	NAS-2-7980, "EVALUATION OF FIRE-RESISTANT EDGE SEALS FOR PANELS," HITCO.	35		3/78-3/79

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FY77	FY78	FY79	FY80	FY81
PHASE I - SCREENING OF THERMOPLASTICS (LOCKHEED)	PHASE II (JSC) FAB OF MOLDINGS (LOCKHEED)			
THERMAL/FLAMMABILITY CHARACTERIZATION OF THERMO PL. & FILMS (ARC)				
PHASE I - LAB SCREENING OF SEAT COMPONENTS (DOUGLAS)	PHASE II - CANDIDATE SELECTION AND FAB. DESIGN (DOUGLAS)	PHASE III - PROTOTYPE SEAT CONSTRUCTION AND TESTING IN CFS (DOUGLAS)	PHASE IV TESTING BY JSC AT B-737	
INITIATE POST-CRASH STUDIES, COMPOSITES, INSULATION				

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## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

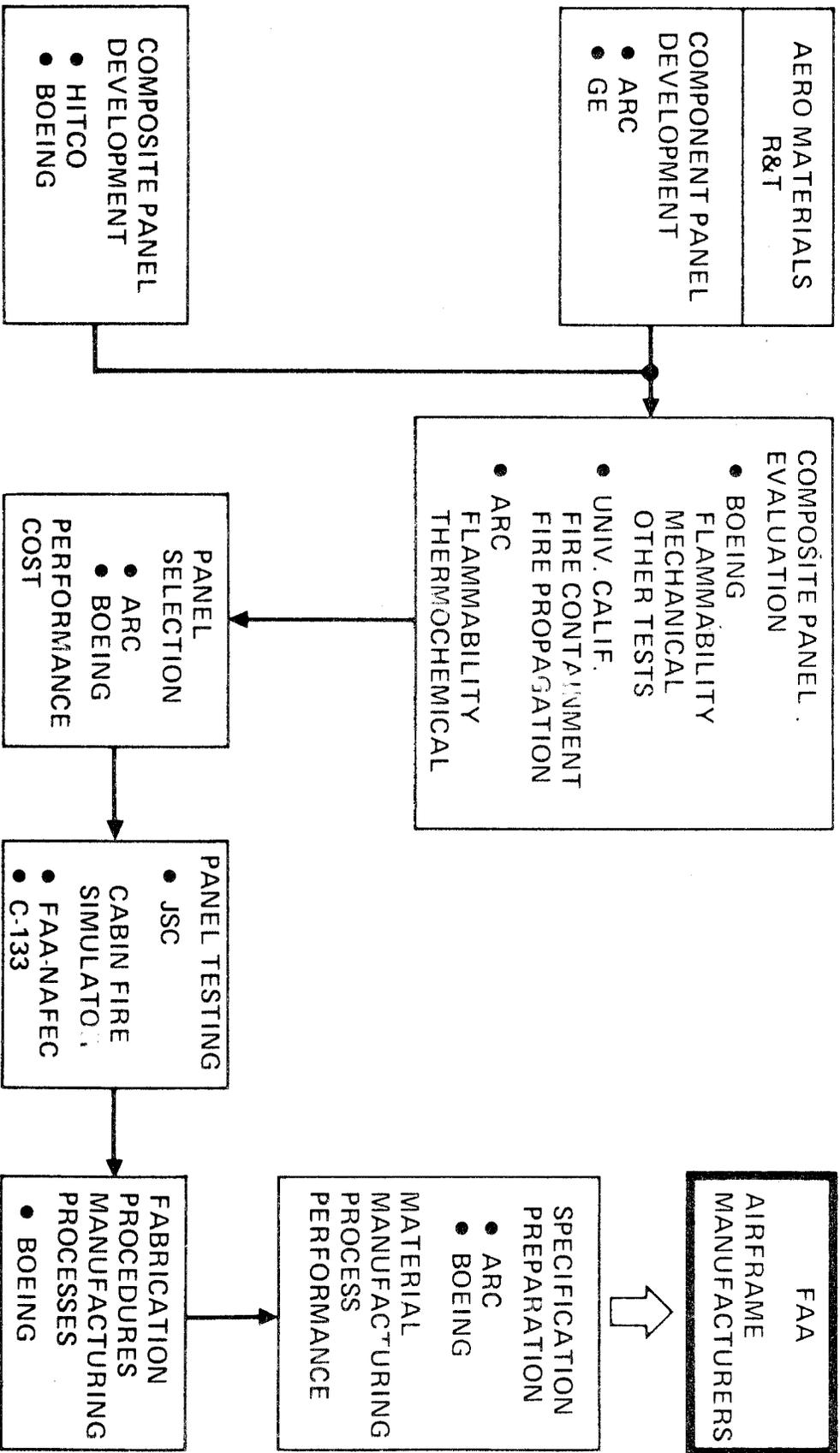
### OBJECTIVE

DETERMINE THERMAL-CHEMICAL AND FLAMMABILITY PROPERTIES OF TYPICAL STATE-OF-THE-ART AND OTHER ADVANCED AIRCRAFT INTERIOR COMPOSITE PANELS IN ORDER TO ASSESS THEIR RELATIVE FIRE RESISTANCE.

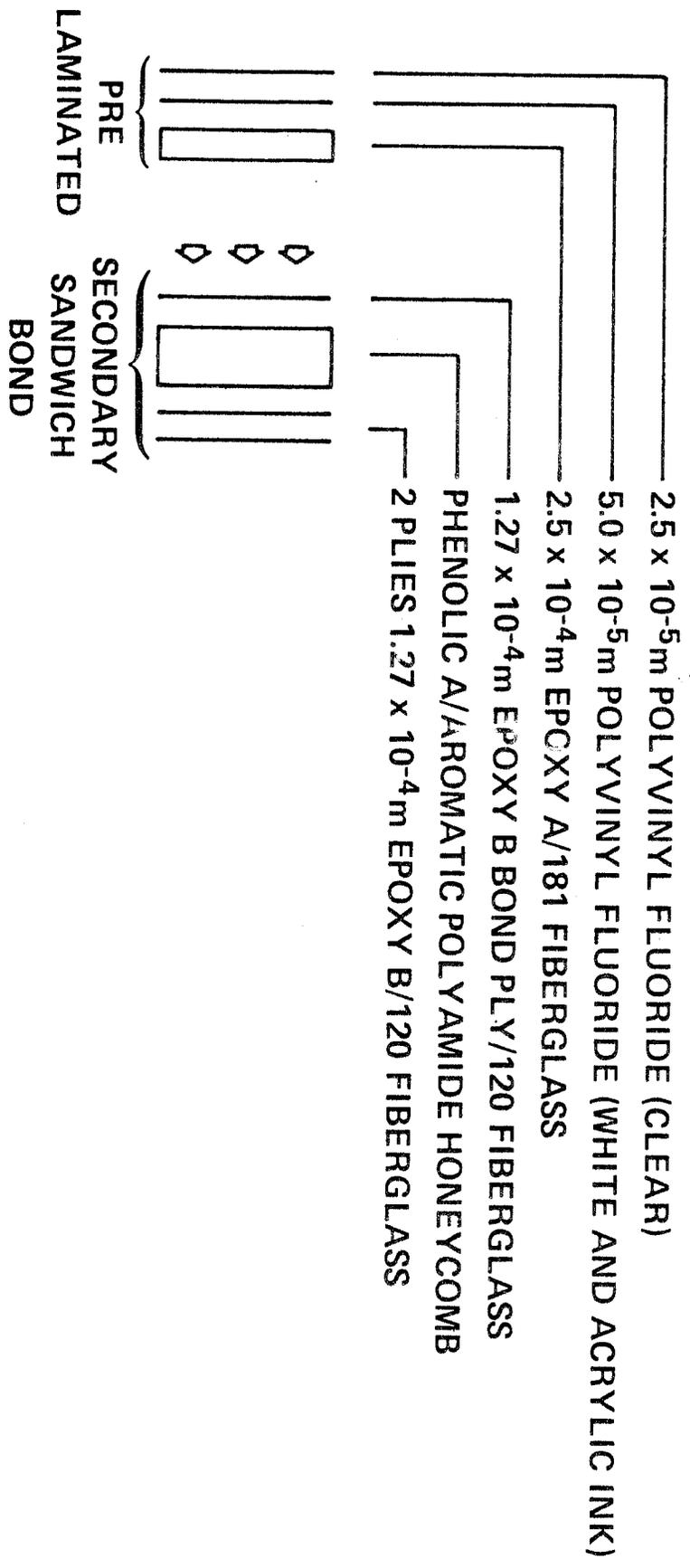
### SCOPE

- DETERMINE PROPERTIES OF PANEL COMPONENTS AND PANELS
- THERMOMECHANICAL
  - THERMOGRAVIMETRIC ANALYSIS
  - DIFFERENTIAL THERMAL ANALYSIS
- PROCESSING
  - TEMPERATURE, PRESSURE (MOLDING) AND CURE PARAMETERS
- FLAMMABILITY
  - OXYGEN INDEX
  - SMOKE EVOLUTION (NBS AND OSU APPARATUS)
- PHYSICAL-MECHANICAL
  - FLATWISE TENSION
  - COMPRESSION
  - WEAR
  - PEEL STRENGTH
  - ELONGATION
- THERMAL
  - THERMAL EFFICIENCY
  - HEAT RELEASE
- TOXICITY
  - APPARENT LETHAL CONCENTRATION
  - TOXIC GAS EVOLUTION

# INTEGRATION OF COMPOSITE PANEL PROGRAM

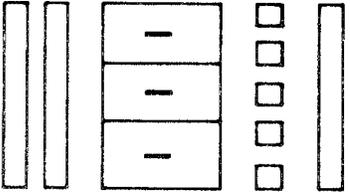


# BASELINE EPOXY PANEL CONFIGURATION



## ADVANCED PANEL CONFIGURATION

BISMALEIMIDE	POLYIMIDE	PHENOLIC
<p>BISMALEIMIDE/181 FIBERGLASS BISMALEIMIDE/120 FIBERGLASS</p> <p>POLYIMIDE A ADHESIVE</p>	<p>POLYIMIDE B/181 FIBERGLASS POLYIMIDE B/120 FIBERGLASS</p> <p>POLYIMIDE C ADHESIVE</p>	<p>PHENOLIC B/181 FIBERGLASS PHENOLIC B/120 FIBERGLASS</p>
<p>PHENOLIC A/ AROMATIC POLYAMIDE 29 kg/m<sup>3</sup></p> <p>32 kg/m<sup>3</sup> ODO FOAM</p> <p>POLYIMIDE A ADHESIVE</p> <p>2 PLYES BISMALEIMIDE/ 120 FIBERGLASS</p>	<p>POLYIMIDE C/ AROMATIC POLYAMIDE 48 kg/m<sup>3</sup></p> <p>POLYIMIDE C ADHESIVE</p> <p>2 PLYES POLYIMIDE B/ 120 FIBERGLASS</p>	<p>PHENOLIC A/ AROMATIC POLYAMIDE 48 kg/m<sup>3</sup></p> <p>2 PLYES PHENOLIC B/ 120 FIBERGLASS</p>
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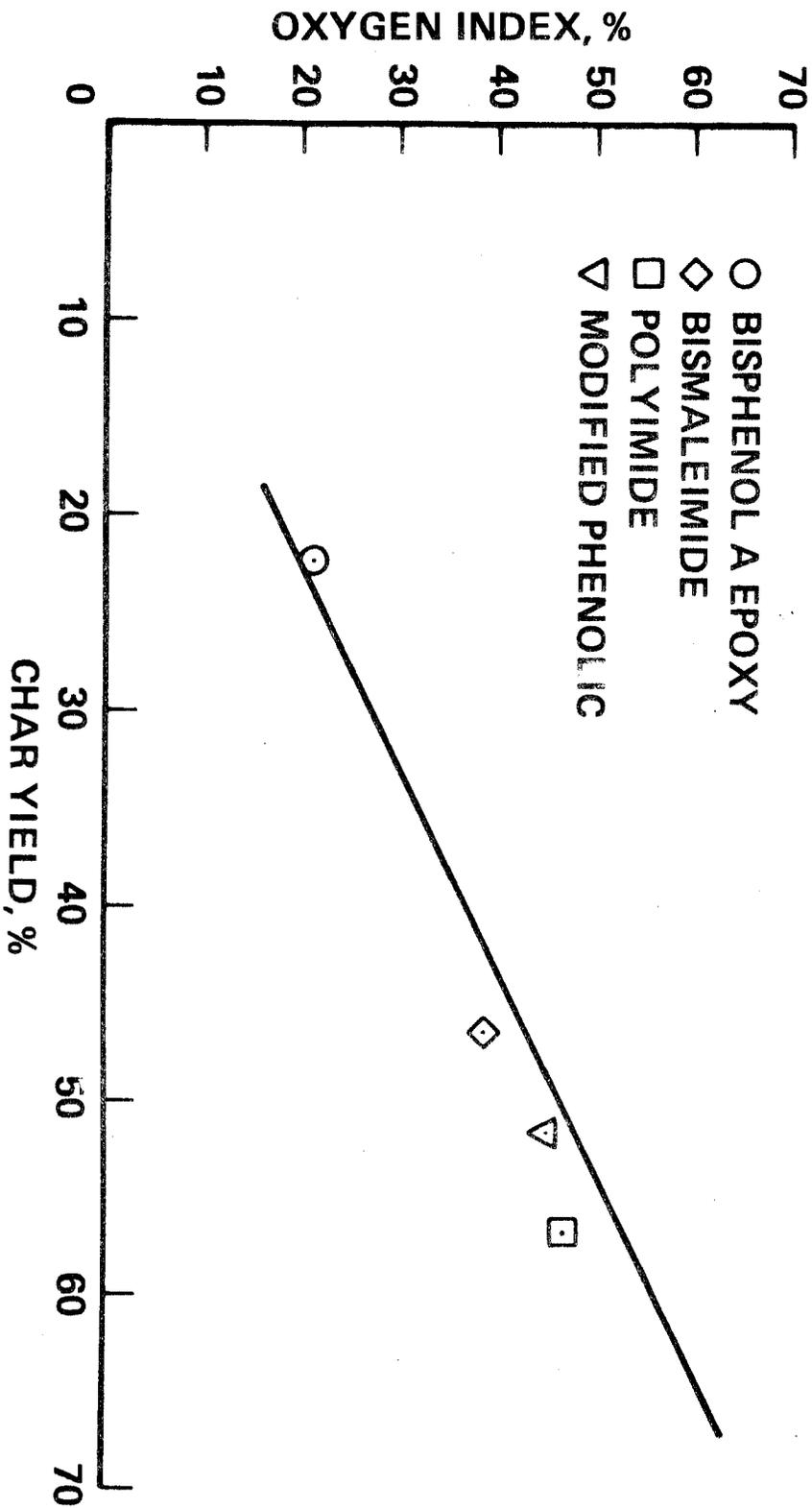


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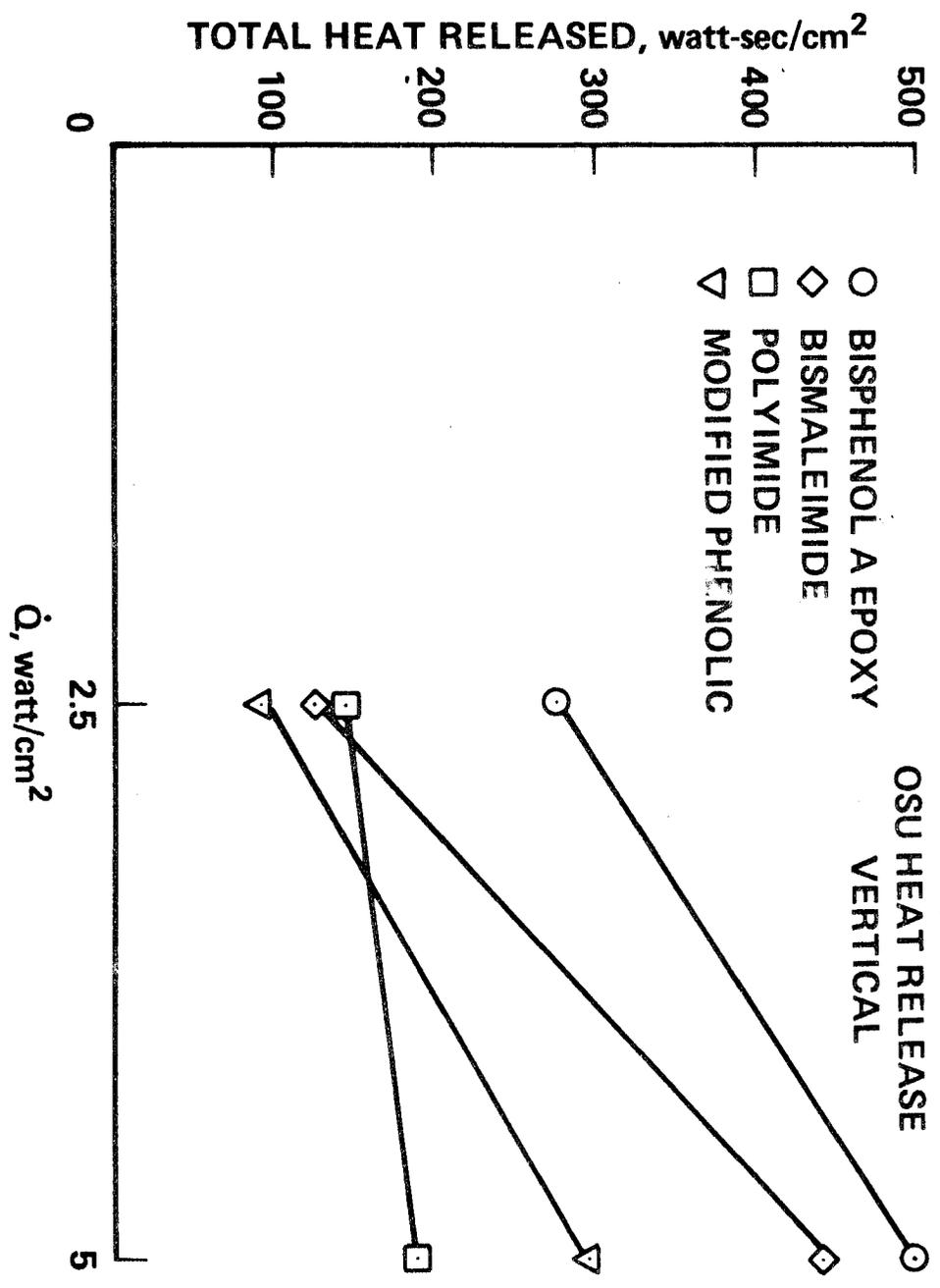
**PRESSURE**

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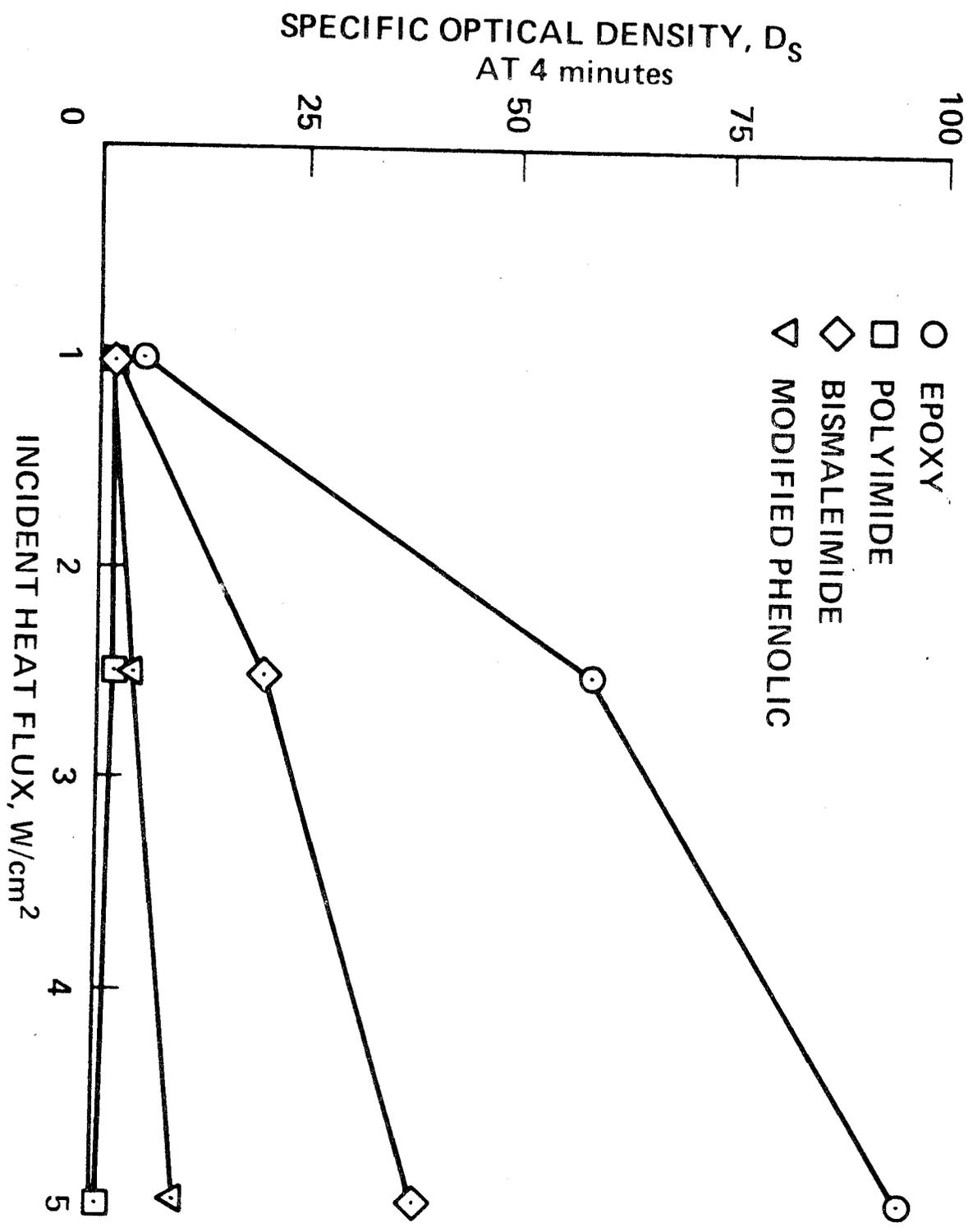
# EFFECT OF CHAR YIELD ON OXYGEN INDEX OF FACESHEET LAMINATING RESINS



# EFFECT OF HEAT FLUX ON TOTAL HEAT RELEASED FROM PANELS



# EFFECT OF HEAT FLUX ON SMOKE DENSITY

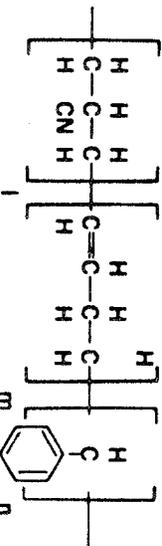
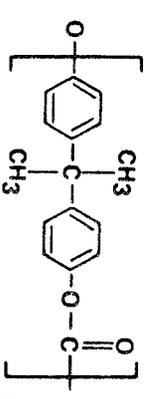
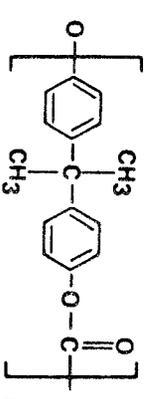
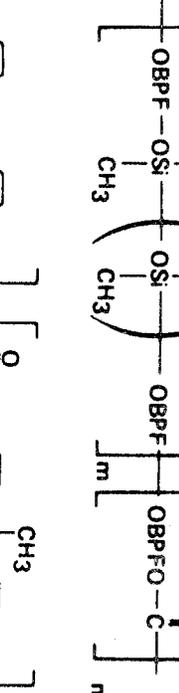
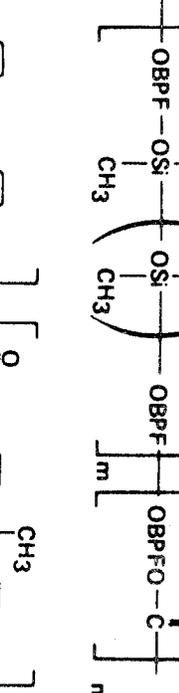
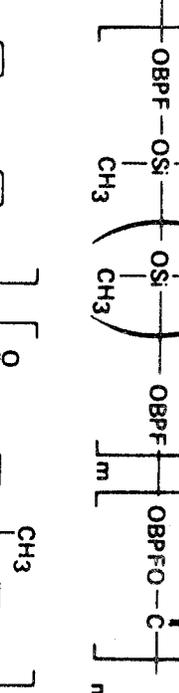
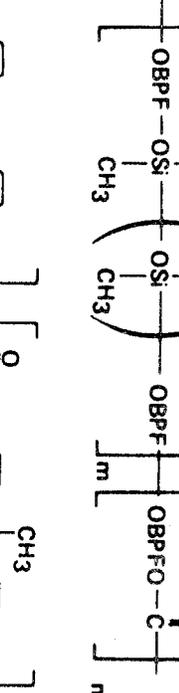
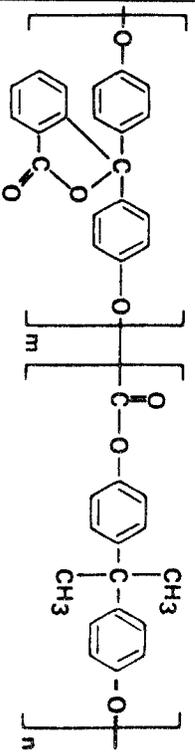
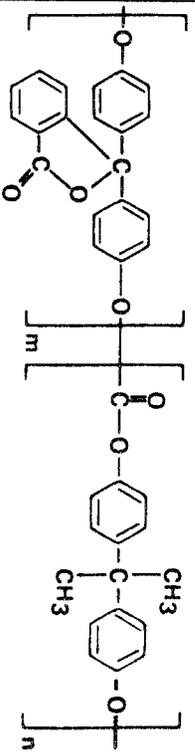
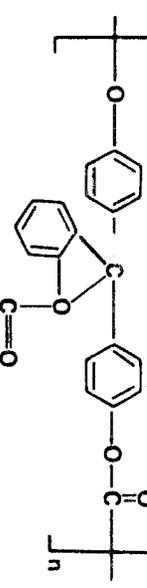


## COMPARATIVE FLAMMABILITY PROPERTIES OF EPOXY AND PHENOLIC FACE SHEETS

	<u>EPOXY</u>	<u>PHENOLIC</u>
<b>PROPENSITY TO BURRN (LOI)</b>		
FACE SHEET	29.0	100
ADHESIVE	27.7	53.5
<b>SMOKE EMISSION (D<sub>s</sub>, 4 min), NBS</b>		
2.5 W/cm <sup>2</sup>	62.8	2.5
5.0 W/cm <sup>2</sup>	96.5	8.4
<b>HEAT RELEASE (W-sec/cm<sup>2</sup>) OSU</b>		
Q̇ 2.5 W/cm <sup>2</sup>	--	120
Q̇ 5.0 W/cm <sup>2</sup>	500	320
<b>FILM</b>	<u>PVF/PVF</u>	<u>PVF/PC</u>
<b>GAS RELEASE (HF mg/g)</b>		
MONEL TUBE PYROLYSIS	74.1	27.5

# THERMOPLASTICS

TYPICAL CHEMICAL STRUCTURES OF POLYMERS

SAMPLE NUMBER	SAMPLE DESCRIPTION	POLYMER	POLYMER STRUCTURE
18	SHEET	ACRYLONITRILE BUTADIENE STYRENE (ABS)	
14	SHEET	BISPHENOL A POLYCARBONATE (BPAPC)	
19	FIRE RETARDANT; SHEET	BISPHENOL A POLYCARBONATE (BPAPC)	
21	FILM; SOLVENT CAST FROM CHLOROFORM, 21% DMS	9,9-BIS(4-HYDROXYPHENYL) FLUORENE POLYCARBONATE-POLY (DIMETHYLSILOXANE) BLOCK POLYMER (BPFC:DMS)	
23	INJECTION MOLDED DISCS, 10.16 cm. DIA. by 0.3175 cm, 15% DMS	9,9-BIS(4-HYDROXYPHENYL) FLUORENE POLYCARBONATE-POLY (DIMETHYLSILOXANE) BLOCK POLYMER (BPFC:DMS)	
27	UNCURED, MOLDING POWDER	9,9-BIS(4-HYDROXYPHENYL) FLUORENE POLYCARBONATE-POLY (DIMETHYLSILOXANE) BLOCK POLYMER (BPFC:DMS)	
28	MOLDING POWDER, CURED AT 315.56°C	9,9-BIS(4-HYDROXYPHENYL) FLUORENE POLYCARBONATE-POLY (DIMETHYLSILOXANE) BLOCK POLYMER (BPFC:DMS)	
30	80% MOLE PHENOLPHTHALEIN, FILM	PHENOLPHTHALEIN-BISPHENOL A POLYCARBONATE	
31	70% MOLE PHENOLPHTHALEIN, FILM	PHENOLPHTHALEIN-BISPHENOL A POLYCARBONATE COPOLYMER (PH-BPAPC)	
55	FILLED WITH 10% Al2O3, 5% TiO2; FILM	PHENOLPHTHALEIN POLYCARBONATE (PHPC)	

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12 13 22	MOLDING PELLETS MOLDING PELLETS 0.0127 cm FILM	POLYETHER SULFONE (PES)	
16	MODIFIED; SHEET	POLYPHENYLENE OXIDE (PPO) (POLY-2,6-DIMETHYL-PHENYLENE OXIDE)	
11 20 24	MOLDING PELLETS MOLDED PART SECTION, 0.3175 cm THICK 0.3175 cm SHEET	POLYPHENYLENE SULFIDE (PPS)	
10 15	MOLDING PELLETS MODIFIED; SHEET	POLYARYLSULFONE (PAS)	
17 26	SHEET SHEET	CHLORINATED POLYVINYL CHLORIDE HOMOPOLYMER (CPVC)	
32	0.00651 cm FILM	POLYVINYL FLUORIDE (PVF)	
58	0.0127 cm FILM	POLYVINYLIDENE FLUORIDE (PVF2)	