

King Industries' Catalyst PC : A Catalyst for Low-Temperature Bake Powder Systems.

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King Industries Overview



**A family owned company providing solutions
through chemistry since 1932**

Introduction

King Industries Heritage

- Specialty chemical manufacturer
- Founded in 1932 by Robert J. King
- Located in Norwalk, Connecticut – USA
- Technical sales offices also in Netherlands and China
- Moving toward 4th generation of leadership
- ~200 employees



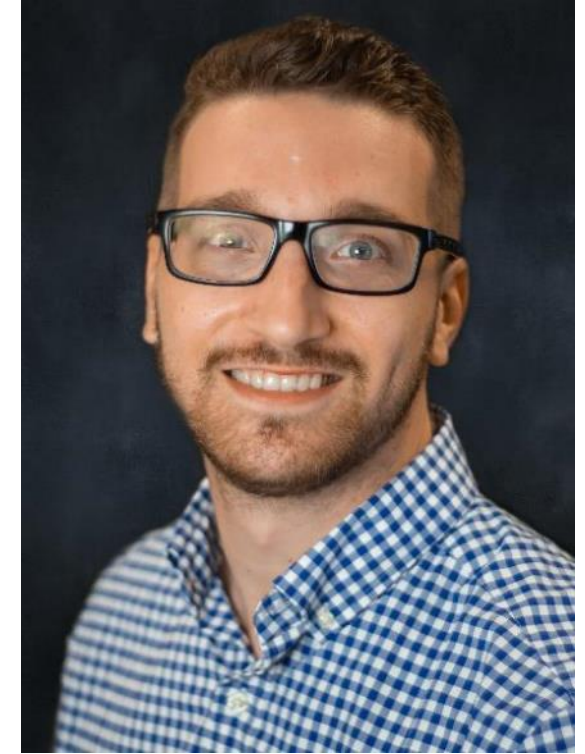
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King Industries' Catalyst PC

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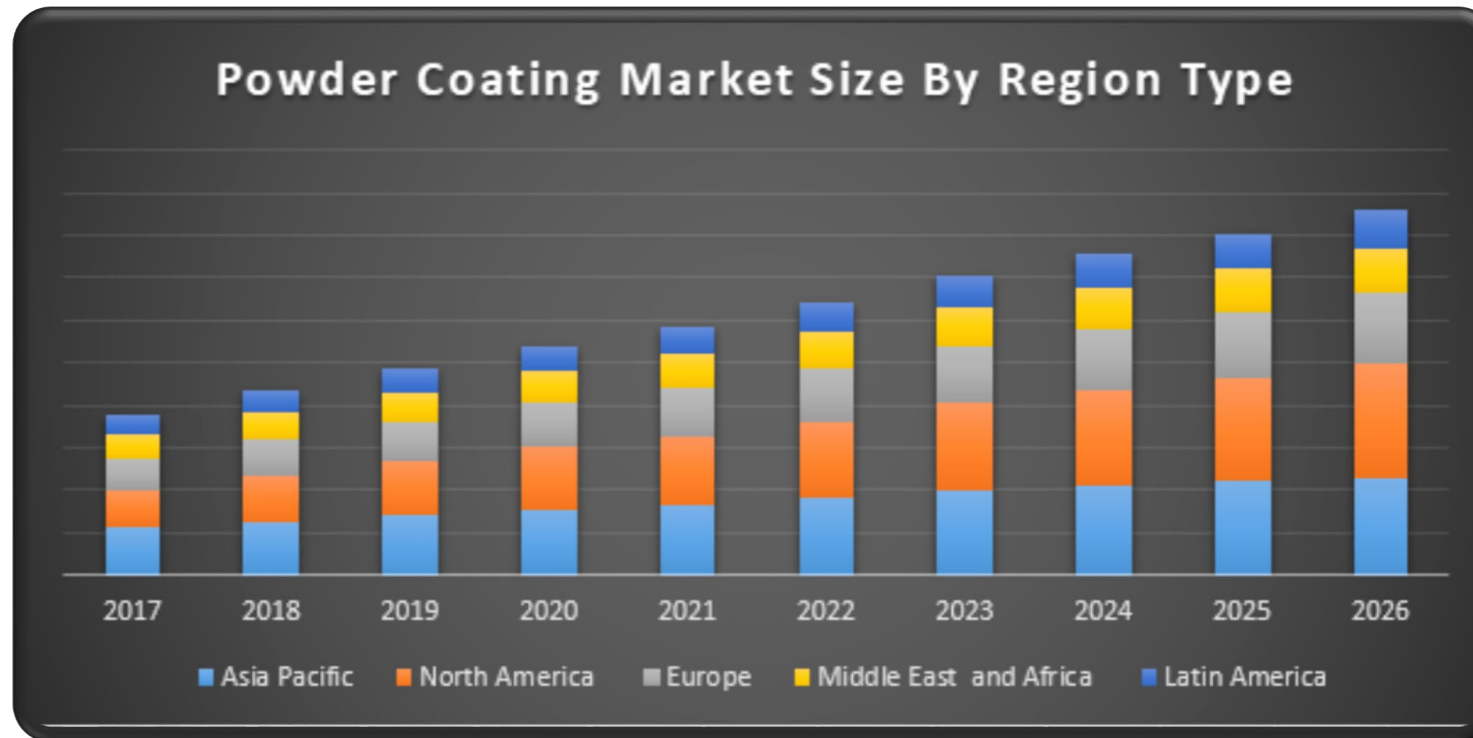
Summary



Powder Coatings Growth

Increasing demand for powder coatings across all markets

CAGR = 5% annually
through 2026

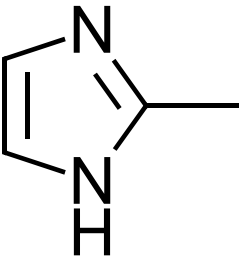
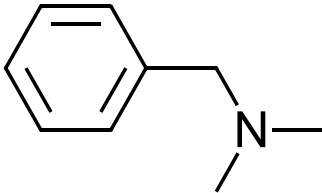
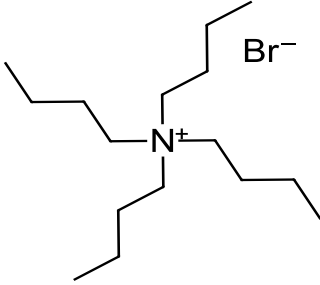


Credit: [Maximize Market Research](#)

Dominated by thermosets systems

- Increased resistance properties and performance in high temperature environments

Conventional Catalysts for Powder Coatings

| Imidazoles | Tertiary Amines | Quaternary Ammonium Salts |
|--|---|---|
|  <chem>Cc1c[nH]cn1</chem> |  <chem>CN(C)Cc1ccccc1</chem> |  <chem>CCCC[N+](CCCC)(CCCC)CCCC.[Br-]</chem> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Off-white powder• General purpose | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Colorless liquid• Low color• Better stability | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Off-white powder• Poor stability• White powder |

Require elevated temperatures with long bake cycle

Typical Challenges with Powder Coatings

Typical challenges

- Improper dwell time
- Heavy substrate
- Oven temperature

Lead to:

Under-Cured Film Properties

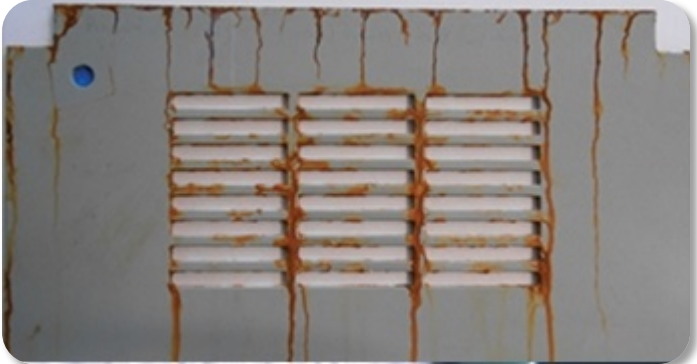


Poor chemical resistance



Poor impact resistance

Poor Edge Film Build and Exterior Durability



Credit: [Coatings World Magazine](#)

Solution: King Industries' Catalyst PC

King Industries' Catalyst PC

| Property | Description/Value |
|------------|--|
| Chemistry | Amine Carboxylate |
| Appearance | White solid powder |
| Active | 56% |
| Benefits | Low temp. cure Chemical resistance Improve impact resistance Reduced health hazards |



Advantages of King Industries' Catalyst PC *in your powder coatings system*

The **King** *Advantage*

- Achieve **low temp. curing**
- Increase **efficiency**
- Attain high **chemical resistance**
- Improve **impact resistance**

King Quality:

- King Industries quality components
- Safe and easy to use

Without affecting
color or appearance

King Industries' Catalyst PC – Low-Bake Systems

Increase Production Capacity and Reduce Energy Costs

Reduce Peak Metal Temperature

200+°C



140°C



Allows for up to **60%**
reduction of residence time



**Shorten
Cure Time**



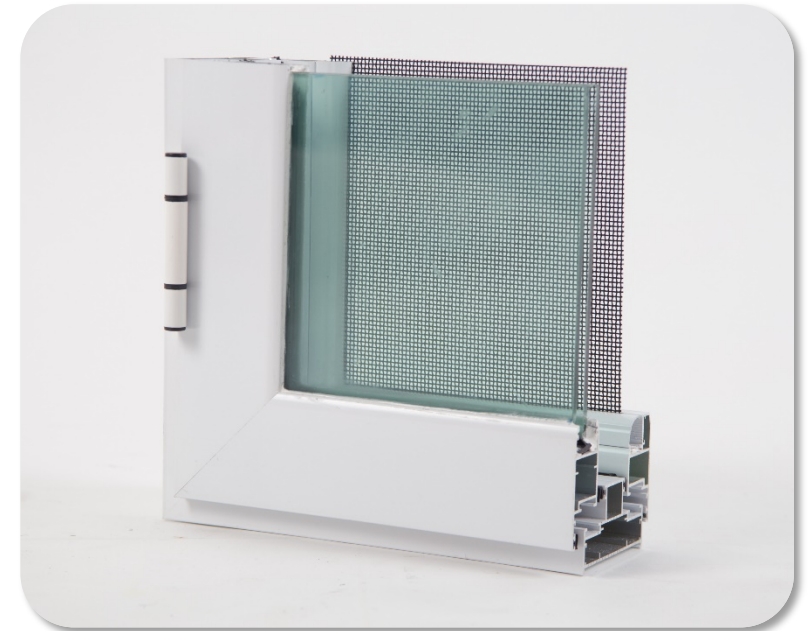
**Reduce Oven
Temps**

King Industries' Catalyst PC - Achieve Low Temp. Curing

Applications for LTC Powder Coatings

Coatings for:

- Heat-sensitive substrates
- Heavy duty objects
- Steel tanks/pipes



- Aluminum/plastic hybrid window

Performance of King Catalyst PC

King Industries' Catalyst PC vs. 2-M Imidazole

Formulated in polyester/BPA system

King Industries' Catalyst PC vs. C17-Imidazole

Formulated in TGIC system



King Industries' Catalyst PC vs. 2-MI
in Polyester/BPA

Preparation - White Polyester / BPA Hybrid



Standard Powder Coatings Cure Conditions

30 min at **190-220°C**

PMT (180-200°C)



King Catalyst PC Low Bake Powder Coating Conditions

15 min at **150-170°C**

PMT (140-170°C)

Performance - White Polyester / BPA Hybrid

The King **Advantage**

With conventional catalyst

Low Temp Cure: ↓ 200° C

- Poor chip resistance
- Poor resistance properties

King Industries' Catalyst PC

- DTM thin films
- Full cure at low temp bake
- Improved chemical/impact resistance
- Improved gloss
- Good color properties
- Good heat age stability

Catalyst PC vs. 2-MI – White Polyester / BPA Hybrid

Model Formulation: 70/30 Hybrid

| Raw Materials | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| BPA Hybrid | BPA, EEW - 755 g/eq |
| Polyester | Polyester, AV - 35 mg KOH/g |
| TiO ₂ | Pigment |
| BaSO ₄ | Extender |
| Polyacrylate | Flow Agent |
| Benzoin | Degassing Agent |

The King
Advantage
King Industries' Catalyst PC vs. 2-MI

**Mfg.
Costs** ↓

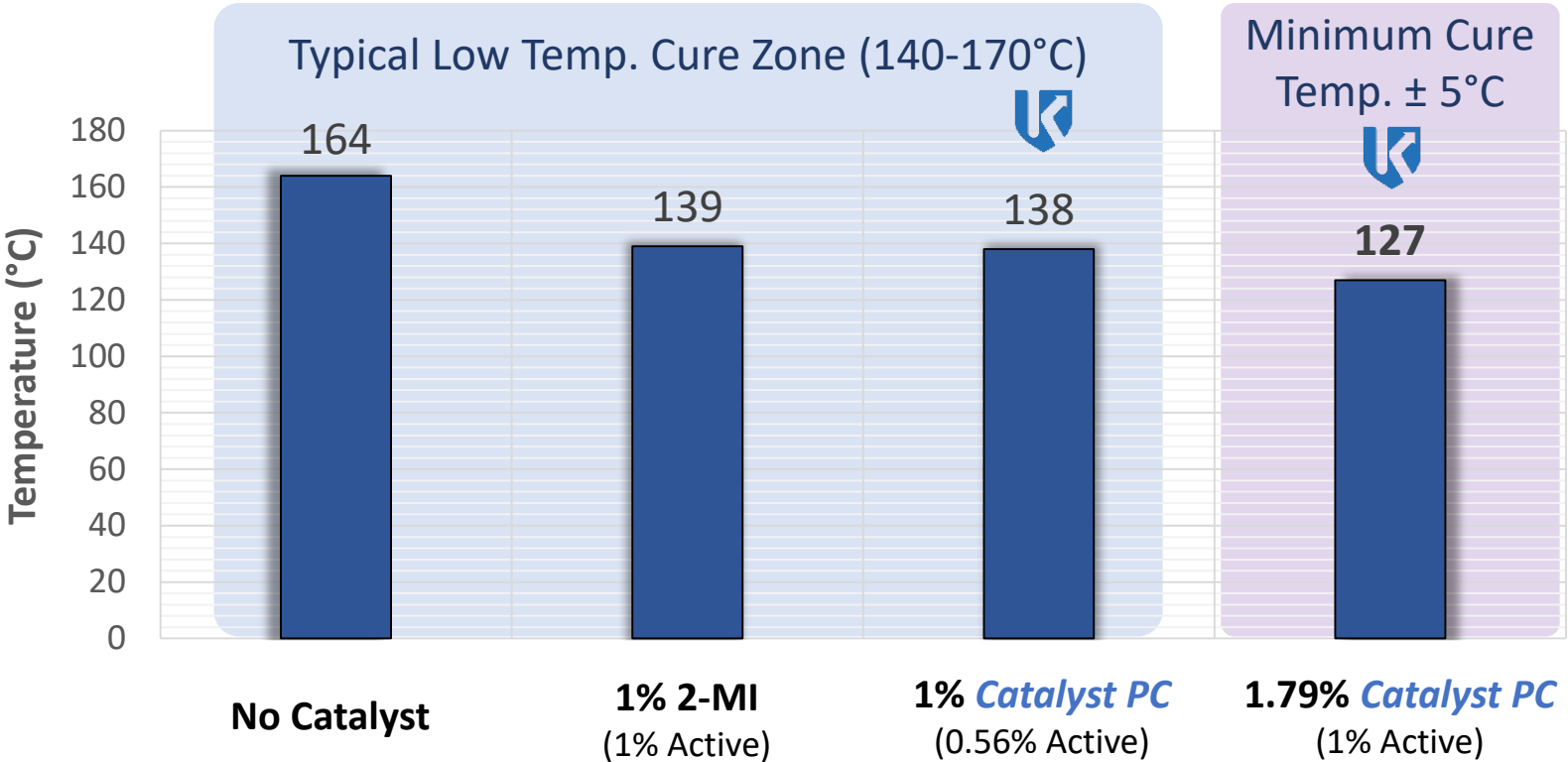
- Energy cost savings
- Potential higher throughput
- Better, more durable films

Gel Temp – White Polyester / BPA Hybrid

Advantage

King Industries' Catalyst PC provides **decreased gel temperature** versus 2-MI

Rheometer Cure Study

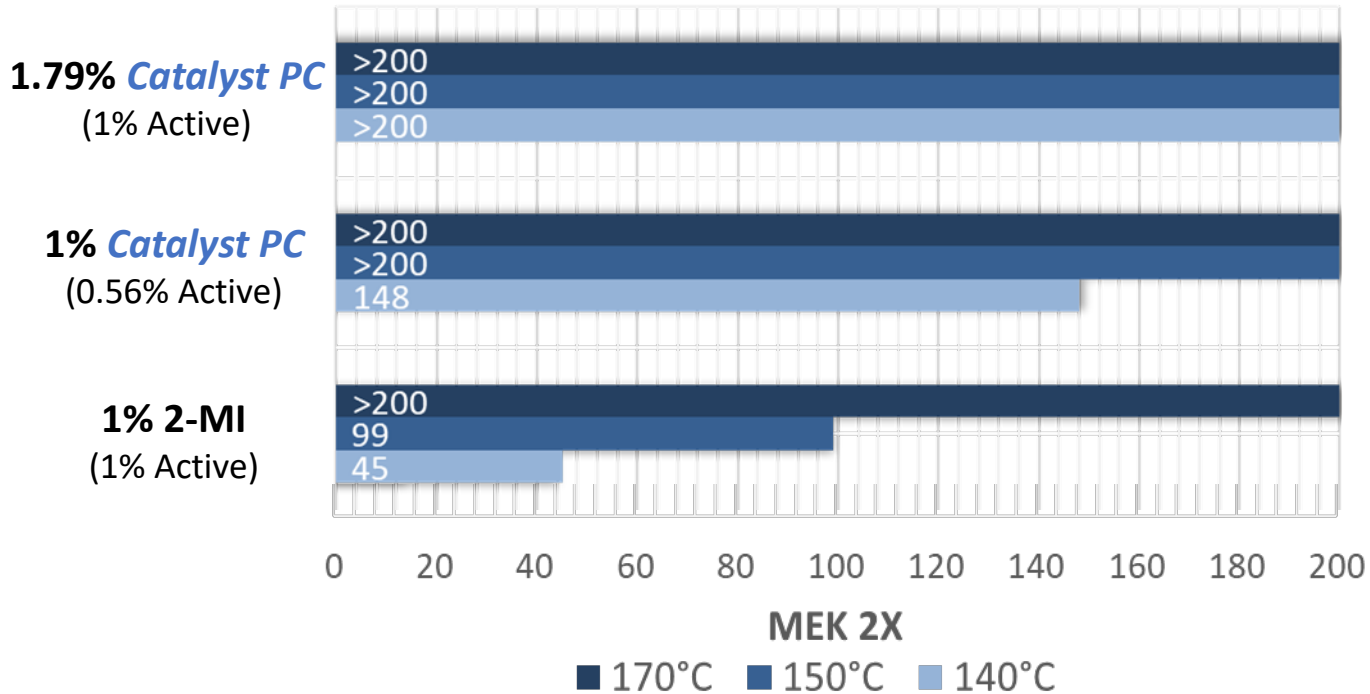


MEK Resistance – White Polyester / BPA Hybrid

Advantage

King Industries' Catalyst PC improves **chemical resistance** properties at lower cure temperature

MEK Resistance



Fail @ 50

Pass @ 200



1% 2-MI
(1% Active)



1.79% Catalyst PC
(1% Active)

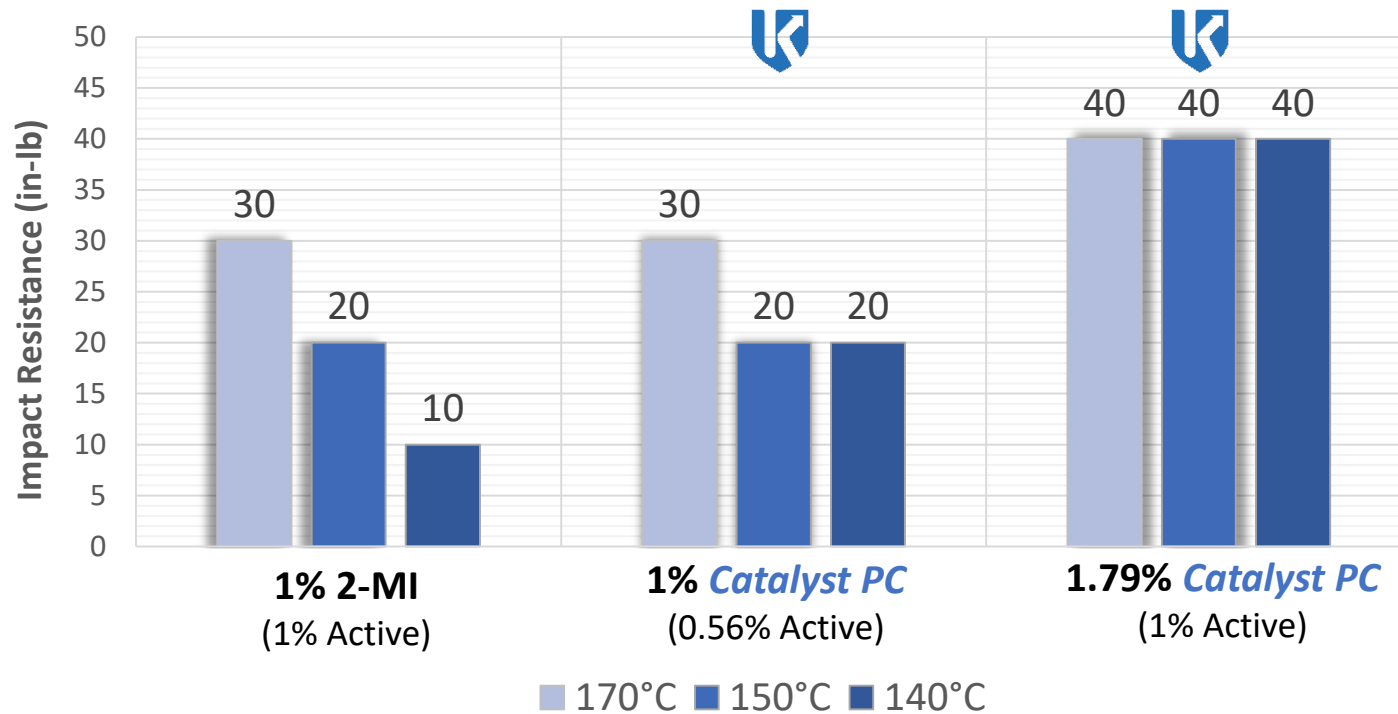
140°C Cure

Impact Resistance – White Polyester / BPA Hybrid

Advantage

King Industries' Catalyst PC maintains **impact resistance** at lower cure temperature

Direct Impact



Fail @ 20 in-lb



1% 2-MI
(1% Active)

Pass @ 40 in-lb



1.79% Catalyst PC
(1% Active)

140°C Cure

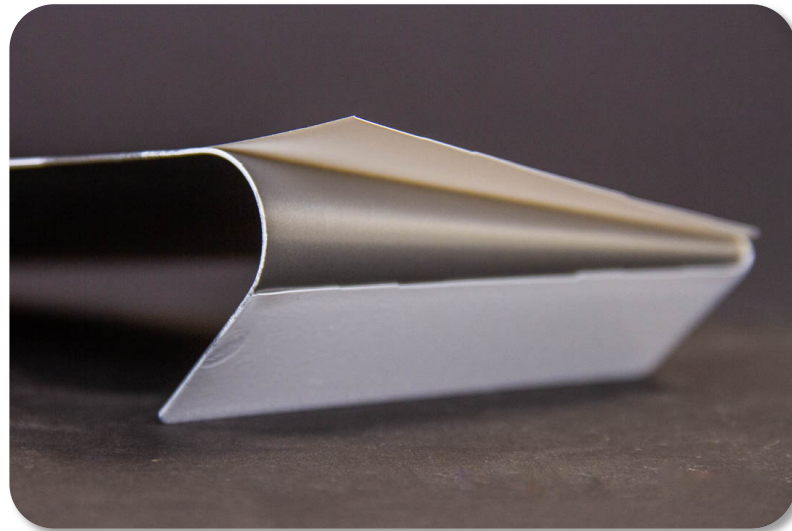
Adhesion – White Polyester / BPA Hybrid

Advantage

King Industries' Catalyst PC improves **adhesion** at lower cure temperature

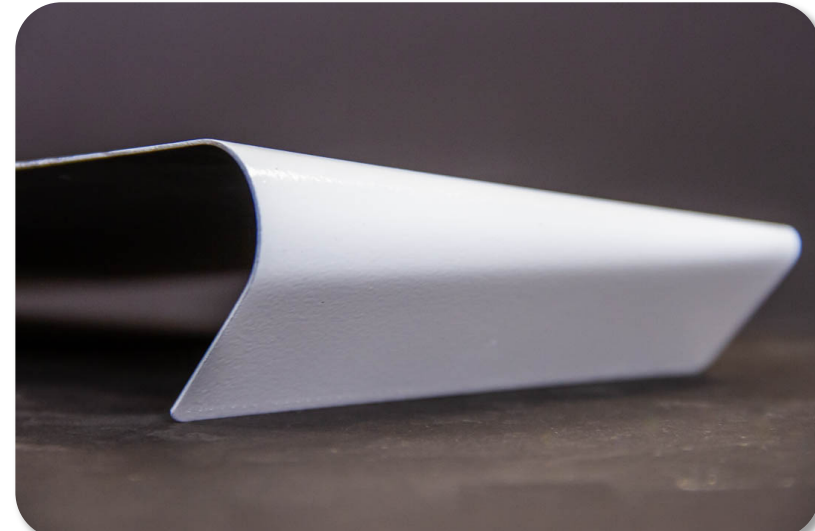
Mandrel Bend

Fail



1% 2-MI
(1% Active)

Pass



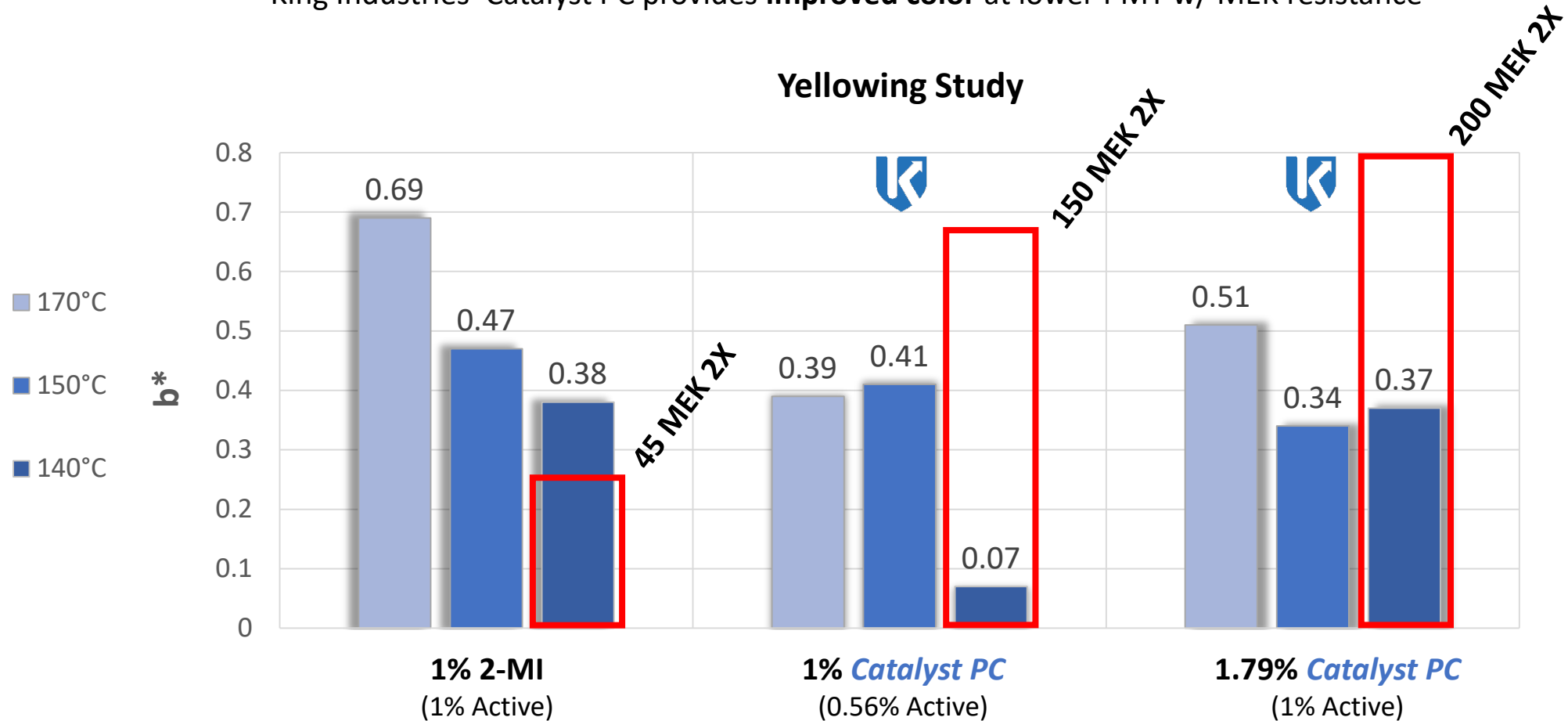
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140°C Cure

Yellowing – White Polyester / BPA Hybrid

Advantage

King Industries' Catalyst PC provides **improved color** at lower PMT w/ MEK resistance

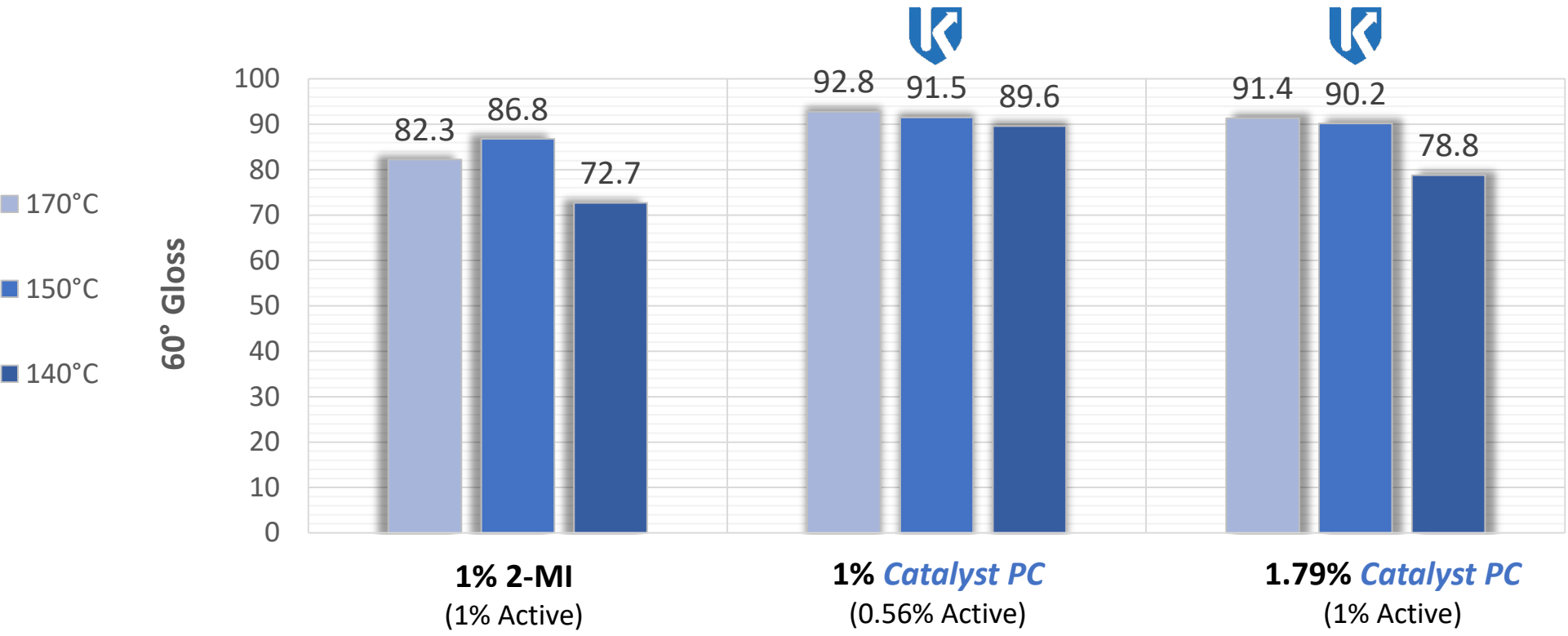


Gloss – White Polyester / BPA Hybrid

Advantages

- King Industries' Catalyst PC provides **better gloss** than 2-MI
- 2-MI has a more severe effect on melt flow properties

Gloss Study





King Catalyst PC vs. C17-Imidazole
in Polyester/TGIC



Preparation – Polyester / TGIC



Standard Powder Coatings Cure Conditions

30 min at 180 °C



King New Catalyst PC Low Bake Powder Coating Conditions

25 min at 125 °C

Performance – Polyester / TGIC

With conventional catalyst

Low Temp Cure:  180° C

- Poor chip resistance
- Poor resistance properties
- Loss of edge control



King Industries' Catalyst PC

- DTM thick film protection
- Lower temp curing
- Improve gloss
- Improved Impact resistance
- Good melt flow, overbake resistance

King Catalyst PC vs. Imidazole – White TGIC

Model Formulation

| Material | % |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Polyester-amide, AV = 45 | 61.55 |
| TGIC | 6.84 |
| Flow Agent | 1.00 |
| Degasser | 0.50 |
| TiO ₂ | 30.10 |
| TOTAL | 100 |

Substrate: Bare CRS

Resin : TGIC = 9 : 1

%TiO₂ = 30

%TRS = 68.2

The *King* *Advantage*

King Industries' Catalyst PC vs. Imidazole

- Lower temp curing
- Reduced active dosage

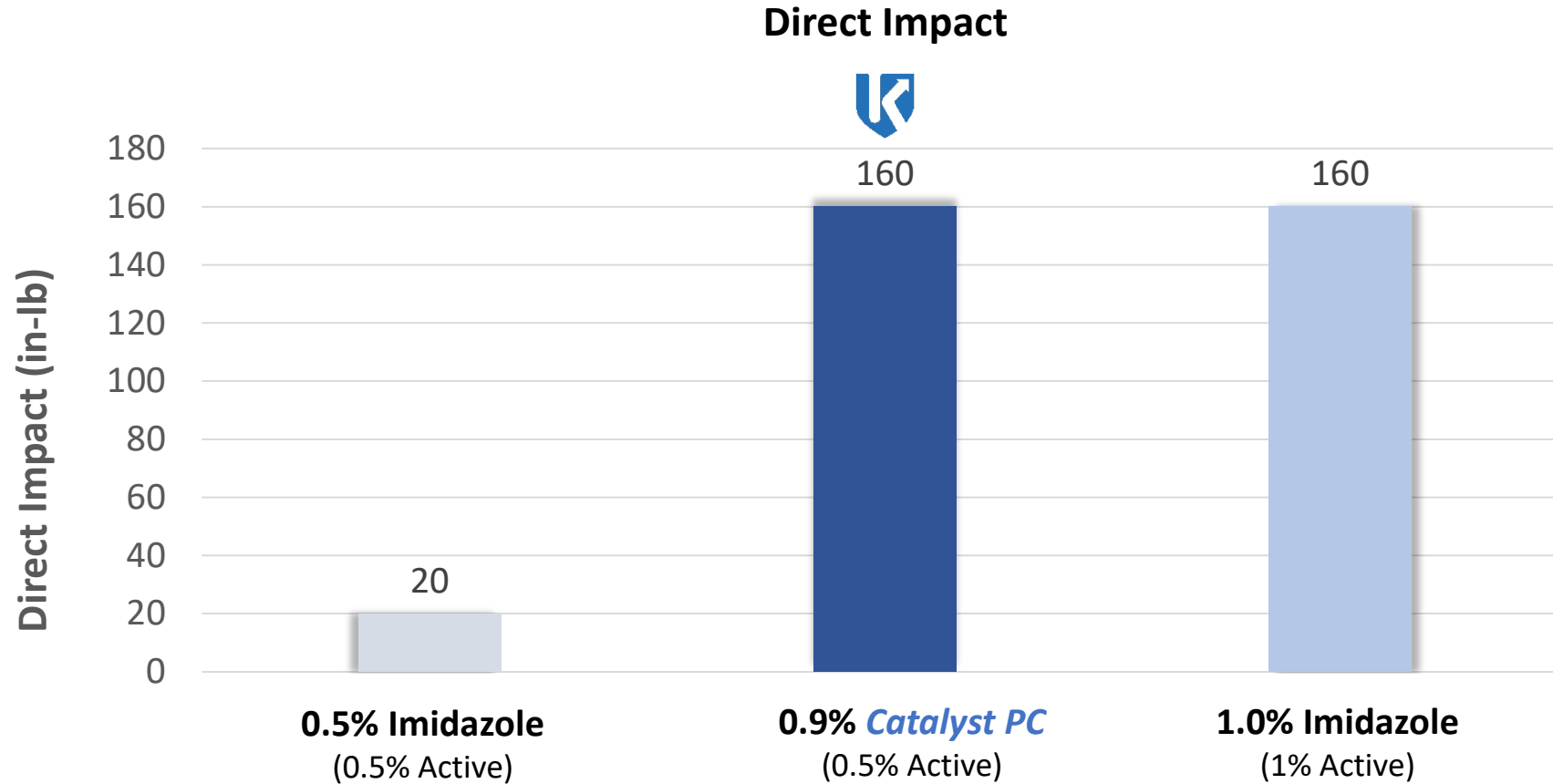
**Mfg.
Costs** ↓

- Energy cost savings
- Reduce rejected product
- Potential higher throughput
- Better, more durable films

Impact Resistance – White TGIC

Advantage

King Industries' Catalyst PC improves **impact resistance**

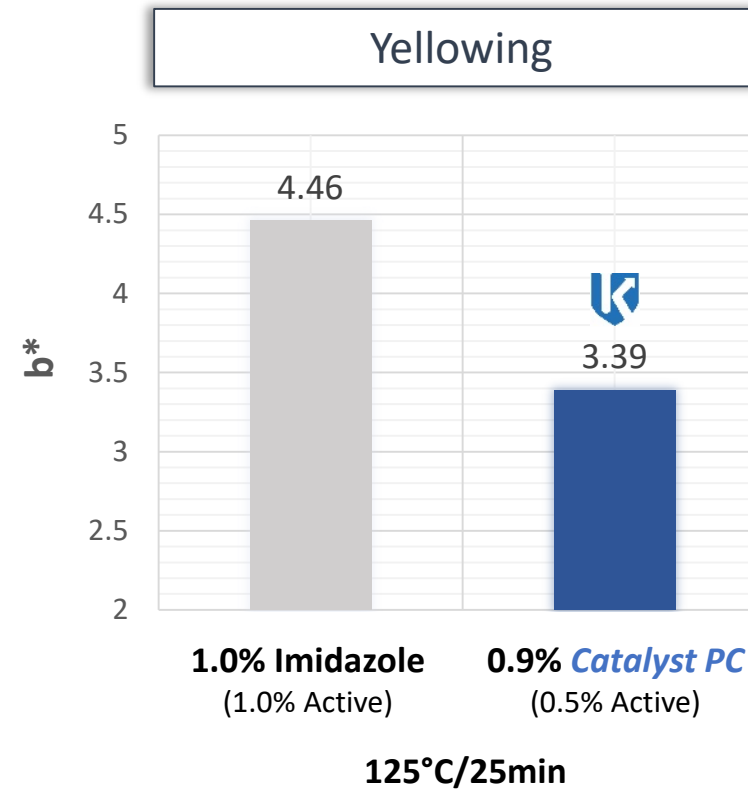
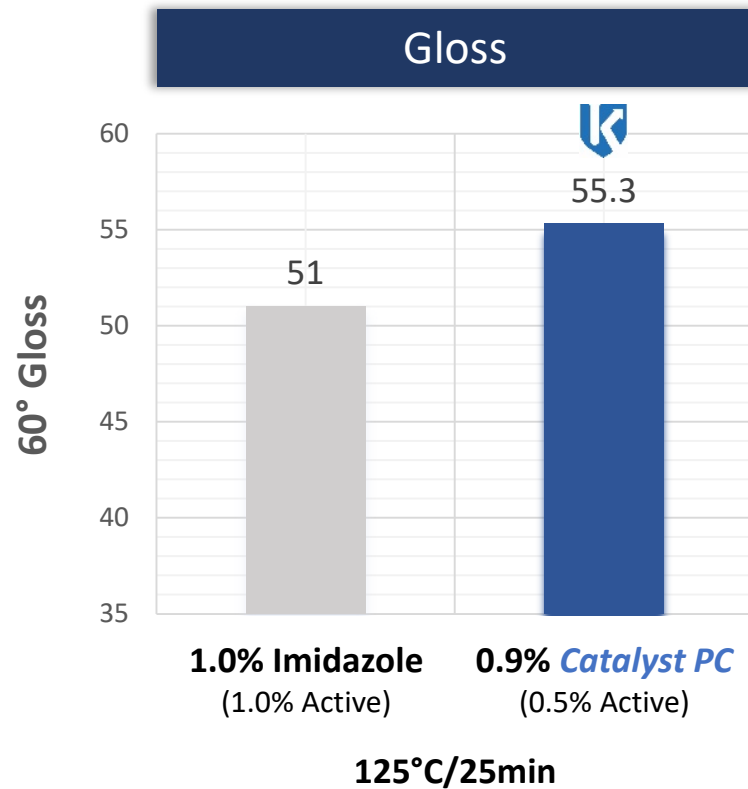


125°C cure
25 minutes

Gloss & Yellowing – White TGIC

Advantages

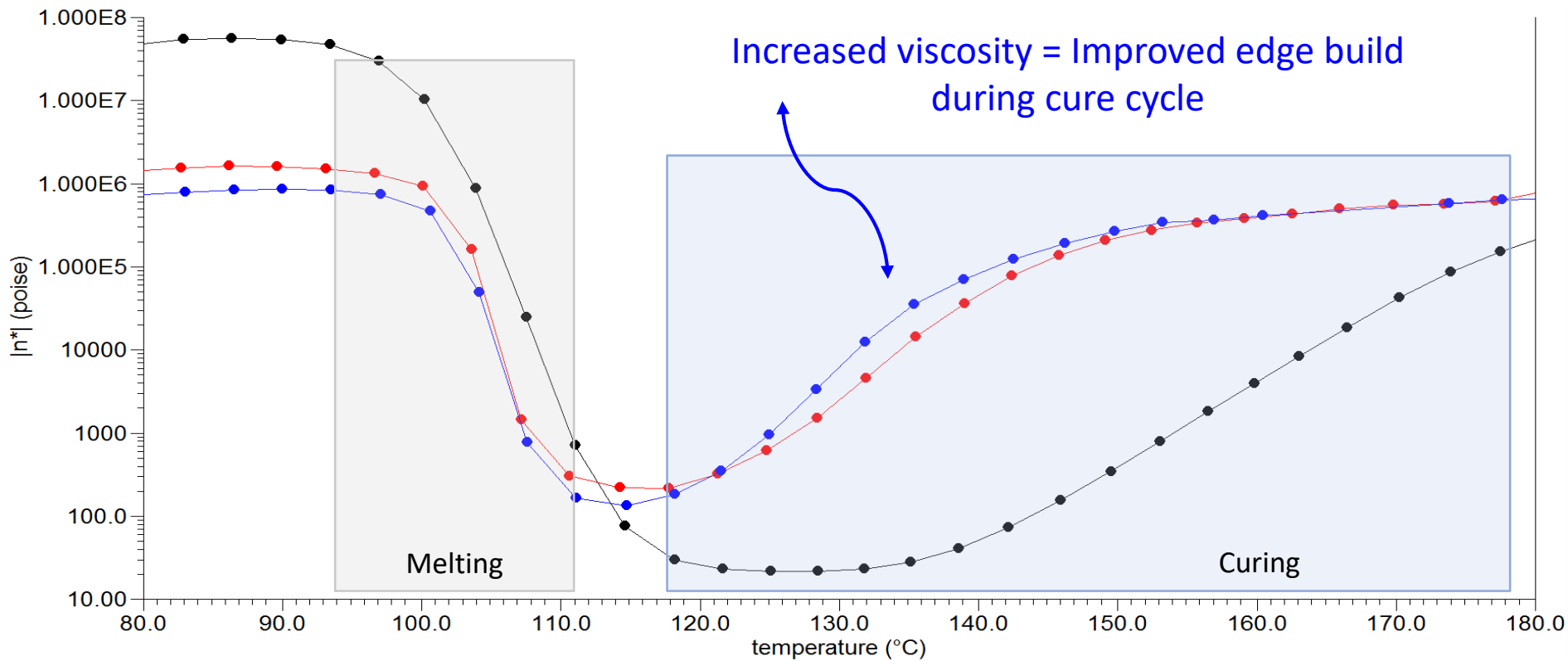
King Industries' Catalyst PC provides **better gloss** and **less yellowing**



Melt Flow / Cure Profile – White TGIC

Advantages

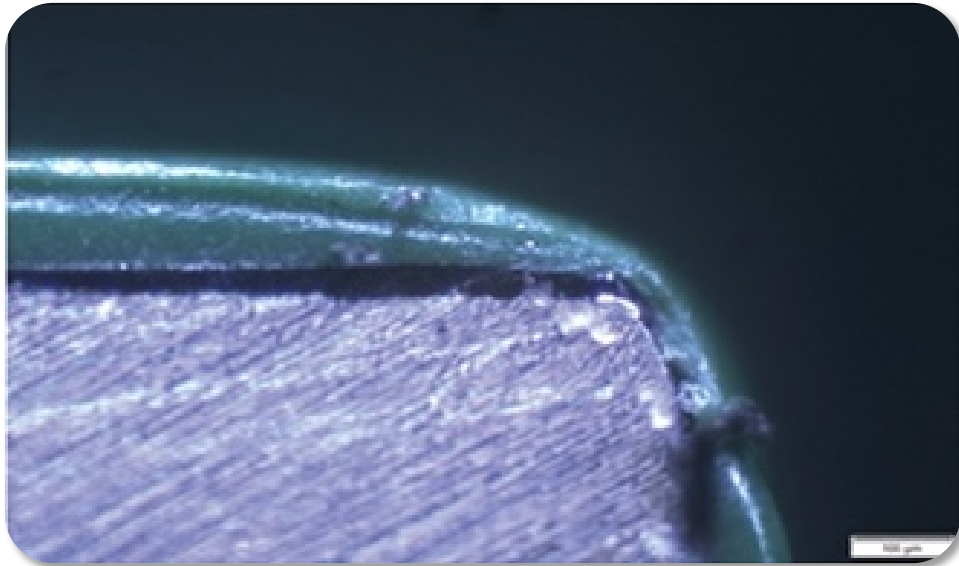
- Catalyst PC shows comparable melt flow and cure profile to imidazole
- **Faster viscosity build** during curing process (edge control)
- Good stability in extruder



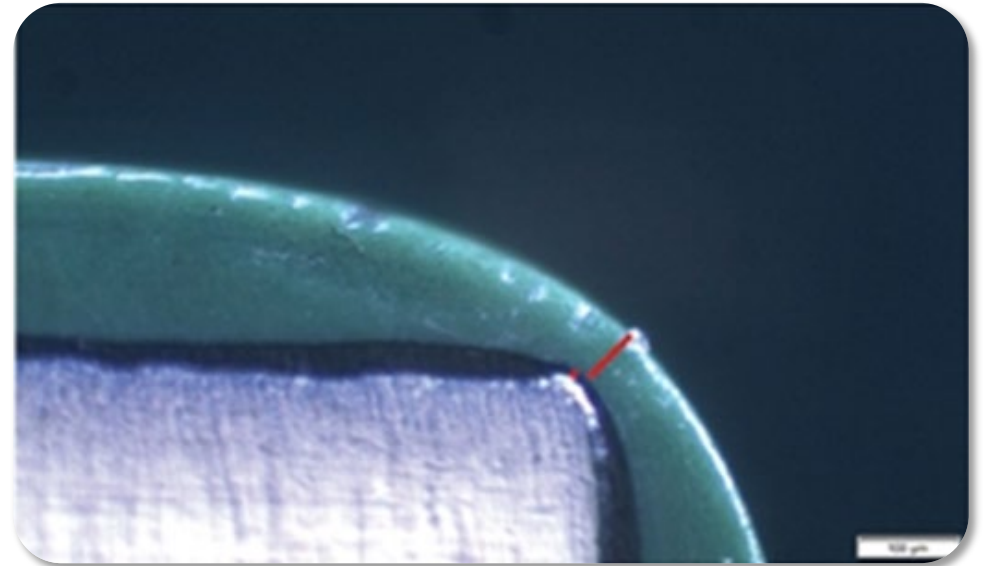
- No Catalyst
- 0.5% Imidazole
(0.5% Active)
- 0.9% King Industries'
Catalyst PC
(0.5% Active)

Faster Viscosity Build = Better Edge Build

Slow viscosity build, poor edge thickness



Fast viscosity build, good edge thickness



Credit: [Coatings World Magazine](#)

Heat Aged Stability – Polyester / BPA Hybrid & TGIC

Advantages

No sintering or clumping following heat aged tests

50°C Storage

| System With | Initial | 1 Month+ |
|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Imidazoles | Free-flowing powder | Free-flowing powder |
| King Catalyst PC | Free-flowing powder | Free-flowing powder |

King Industries' Catalyst PC Is Heat Aged Stable

Safety / Handling

King Industries' Catalyst PC

Advantages

- Reduced health hazards
- Safe to handle
- No harmful solvents

| Property | Description/Value |
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King Industries' Catalyst PC – A Superior Catalyst

Enabling [Low Temperature Bake Schedules with King Industries' Catalyst PC](#)

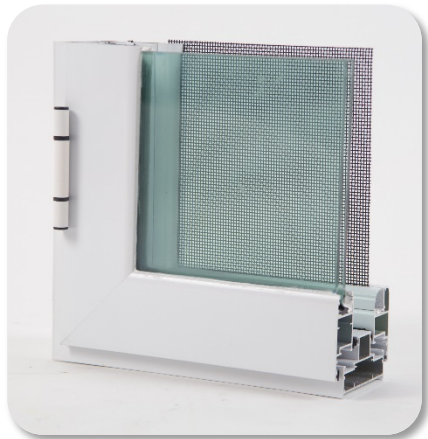
Energy cost savings, Improve productivity, better performance, reduced active catalyst levels

Polyester / BPA Coatings

King Industries' Catalyst PC

DTM Thin films

- Chem/impact resistance
- Excellent gloss
- Good color properties
- Good heat age stability



TGIC Coatings

King Industries' Catalyst PC

DTM Thick films

- Chem/impact resistance
- Excellent gloss
- Reduced yellowing
- Good heat age stability
- Edge build control



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