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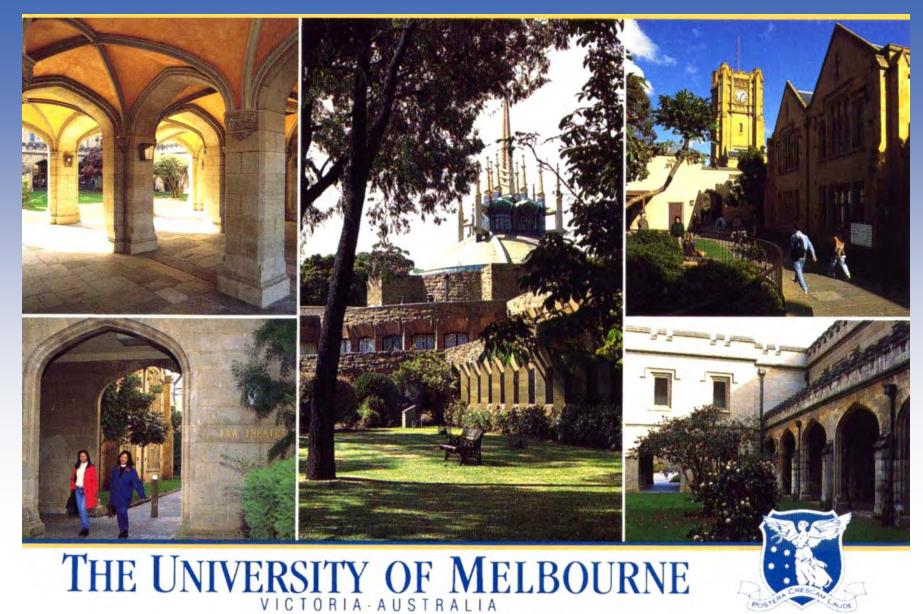
#### **Controlling the Properties of Aqueous Interfaces**

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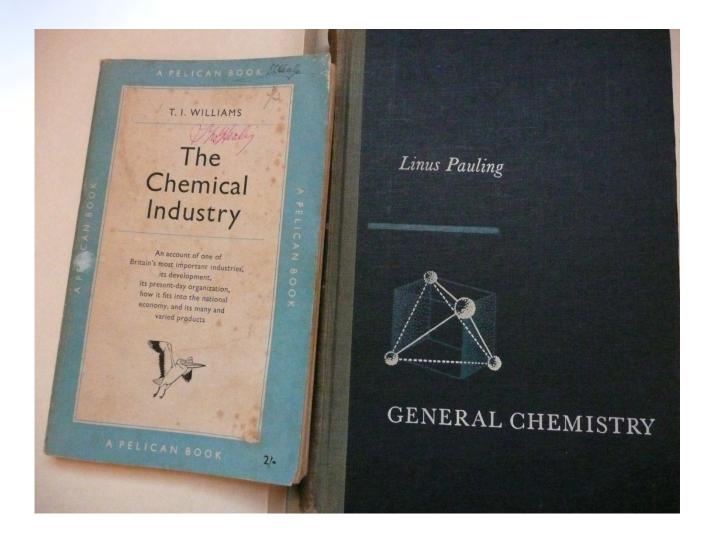








### Chemistry 1, 1955 The University of Melbourne .....Preliminary reading!!







#### 2010 Rideal Award of RSC-SCI

#### I am delighted!

I am so fortunate to have had such a happy life in chemistry. Why? Due to what?

- 1. An amazingly supportive family.
- 2. I have worked with an amazing cohort of **students**.
- I have worked with an amazing group of colleagues in industry and academia around the world





#### My Special Thank You

#### 1. My Family







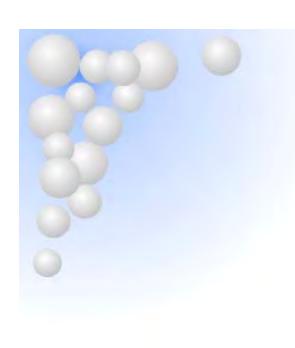
#### My Special Thank You

#### 2. MY STUDENTS









"All my ex-students are perfect"

(Healy 1979)

"Yes, but some are more perfect than others!"

(David Yates 1980)



















#### My Special Thank You

#### 3. My Colleagues







#### My ICI UK Colleagues







#### **My Academic Colleagues**



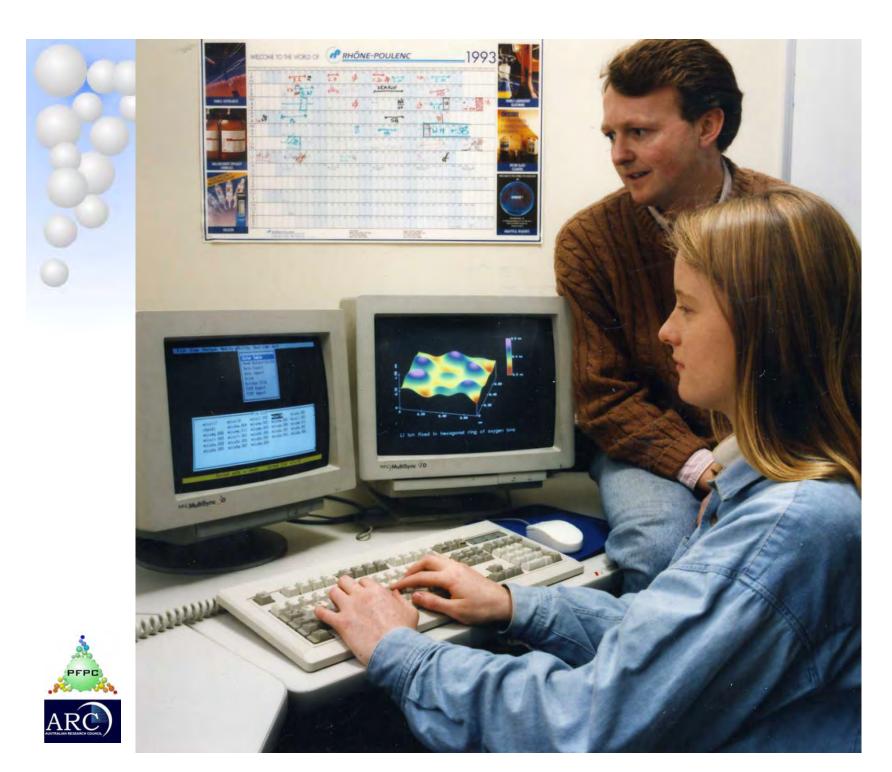
















# The electrical double layer at the hydrophilic and hydrophobic material-water interfaces----the enemy or salvation of engineers and formulators!

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#### The Chemistry Bit

#### ---- Hydrophilic Interfaces First

Electrical Double Layer Charge & Potential controlled by Potential Determining Ions, (pdi)

For AgI, for example, Ag+ or I- are pdi

$$\mathbf{d} \ \mathbf{\psi_0} = \mathbf{RT/nF} \ \mathbf{d} \ \mathbf{ln}(\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{Ag+}})$$

i.e. 59 mv /decade change in Ag+ concn.





#### The Chemistry Bit (continued)

#### **Electrical Double Charge & Potential (Cont.)**

-For mineral oxides, alkaline earth sulphates or carbonates, clays, latex colloids.....similar reversibility cannot be assigned unambiguously to any pdi species,

-BUT the e.d.l. potentials appear to be controlled by H<sup>+</sup> /OH<sup>-</sup> species as if these ions are pdi.





#### The Chemistry Bit (continued)

Mineral/Metal oxides, clays, latices,.....

H+/OH- are involved in surface site equilibria

$$MOH_2^+ \leftrightarrow MOH \leftrightarrow MO^-$$

where 
$$K+=(N_0/N_+).a_{H+}$$
 and  $K-=(N-/N_0).a_{H+}$   
Where the total number of sites is  $N=N_++N_0+N_-$   
Notice that  $K+.K-=(N_-/N_+).a_{H+}^{2-and}$   
 $N-=N+$  at  $pH_0$ , the  $pH$  of the i.e.p./p.z.c.

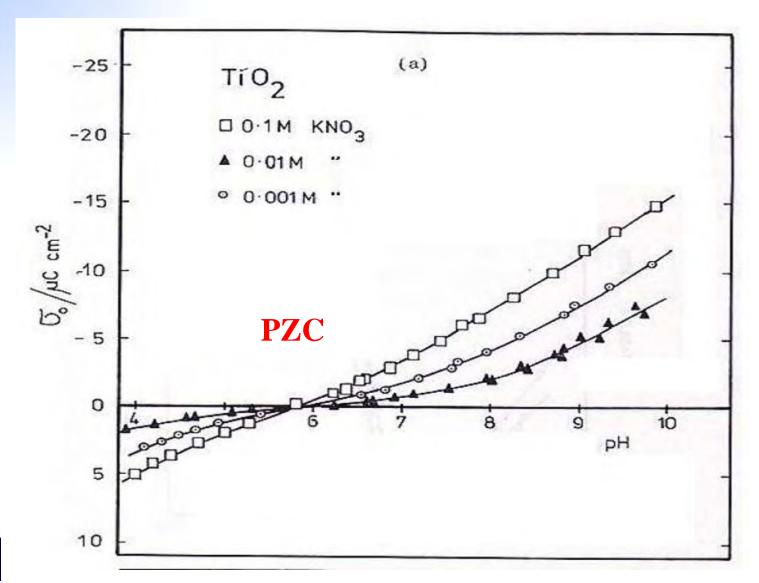


Such that  $pHo = \frac{1}{2} (pK_{+} + pK_{-})$ 



#### **Titratable Surface Charge**

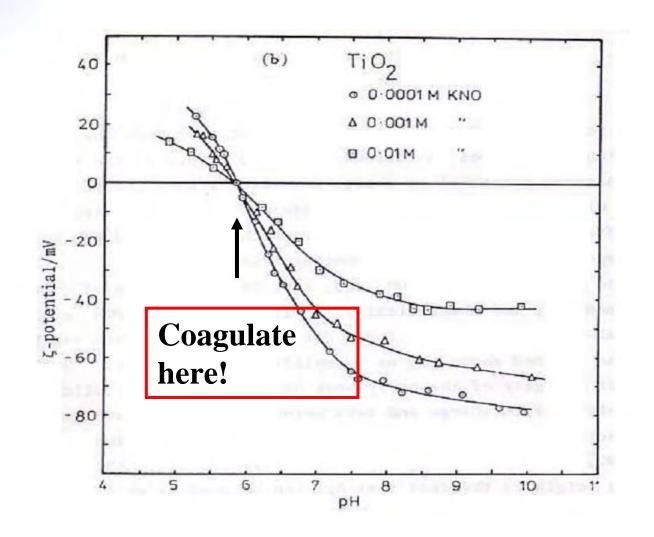
Metal Oxides....H+/OH- are potential determining ions.







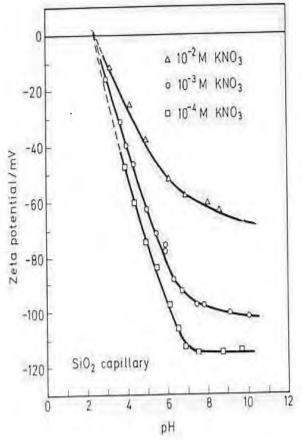
#### I.E.P/P.Z.C.....Titania (rutile)



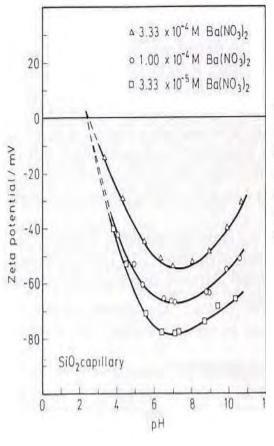


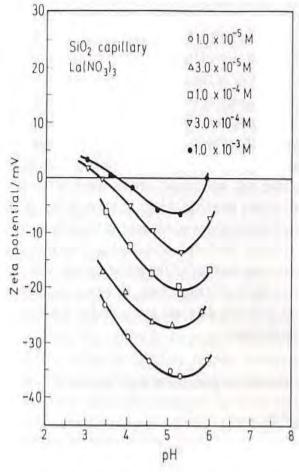


## 1:1 Salt



#### 2:1 Salt





3:1 Salt

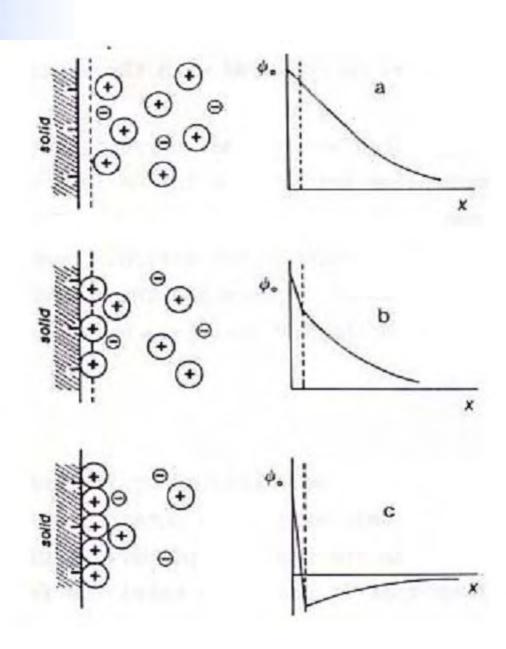
 $Ba^{2+}$ 







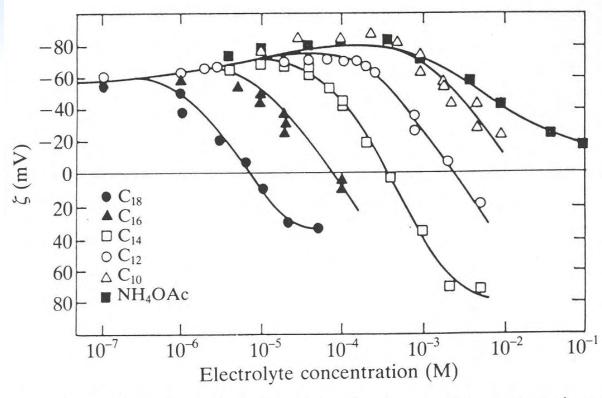








#### SURFACTANT ADSORPTION





Effect of hydrocarbon chain length on the  $\zeta$ -potential of quartz in solutions of onium acetates and in solutions of ammonium acetate.



#### Somasundaran & Fuerstenau

#### AQUEOUS SOLUTION

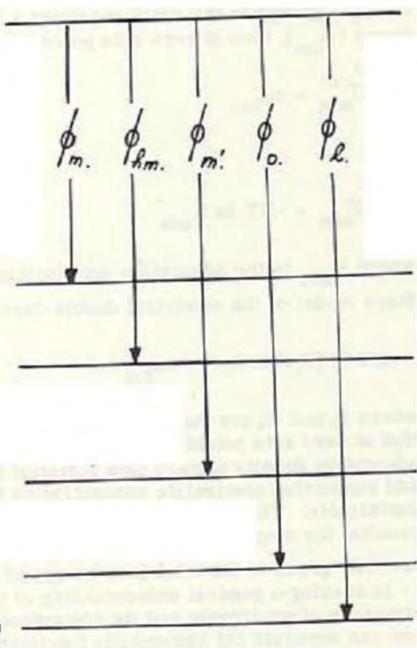
IONIC MICELLES

HEMI-MICELLES

NONIONIC MICELLES

HYDROCARBON SOLN.

HYDROCARBON LIQUID







#### Colloidal Forces

ATTRACTIVE REPULSIVE

Van der Waals Van der Waals

**Electrostatic** Electrostatic

Bridging Steric/Structural

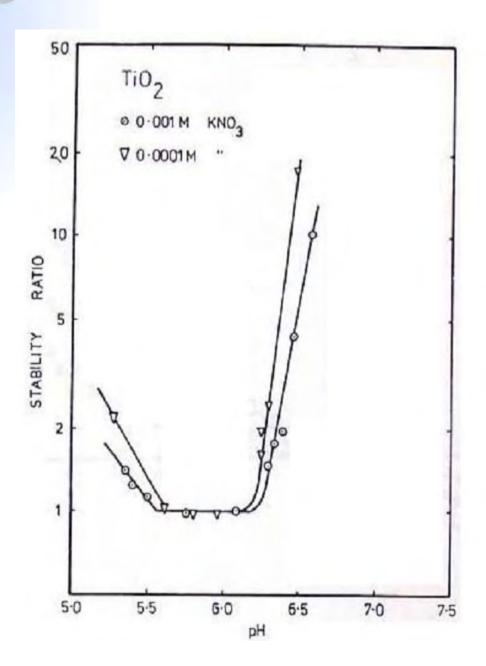
Depletion

Viscous/Hydrodynamic Viscous/Hydrodynamic

"Hydrophobic"



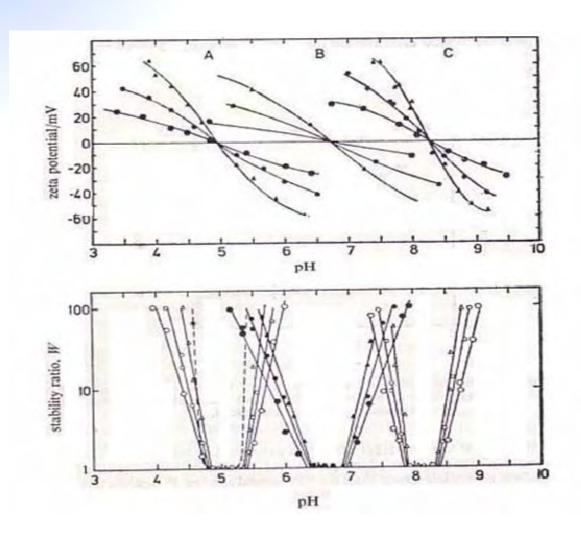








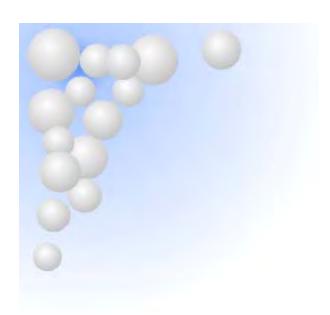
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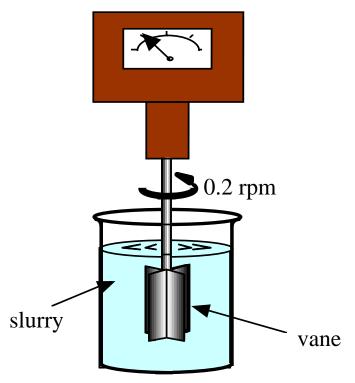
#### Harding





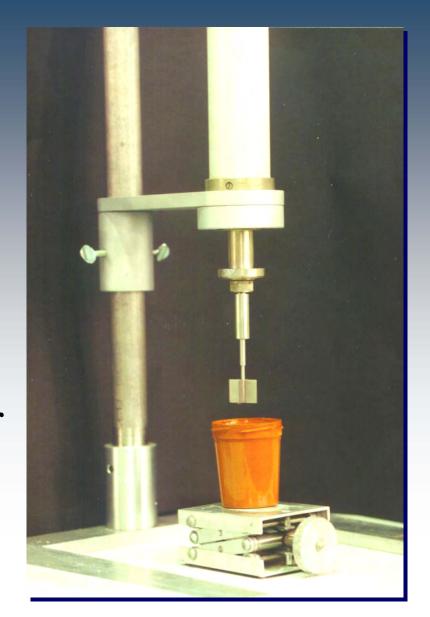


#### **Shear Yield Stress**





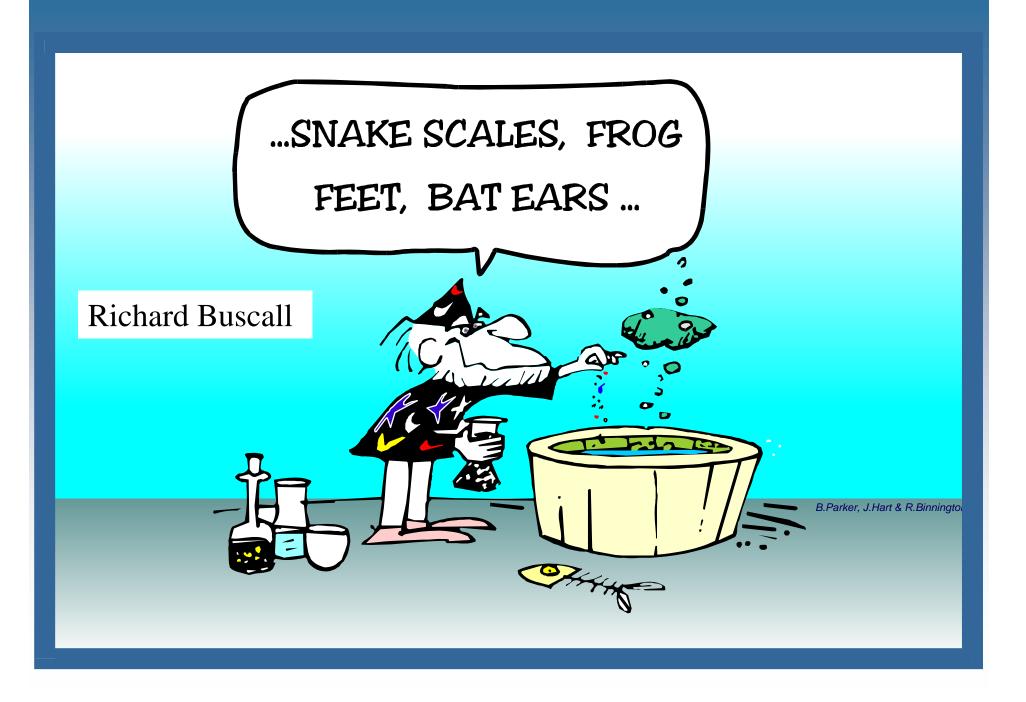


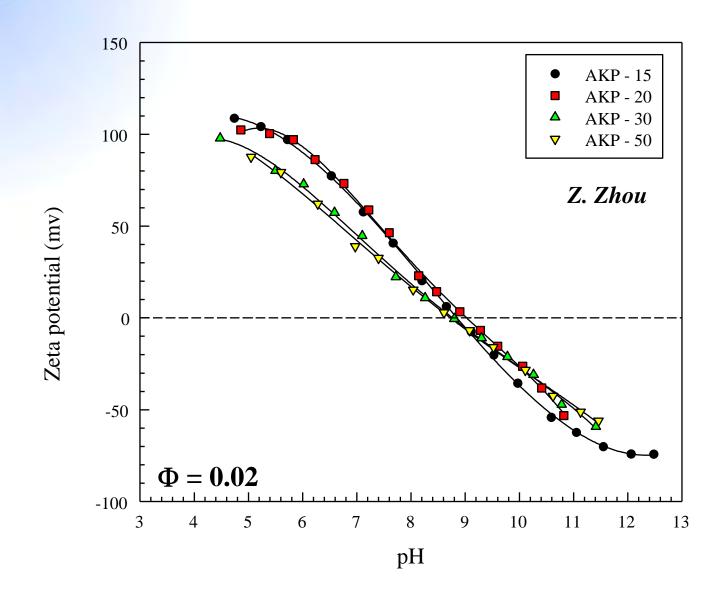






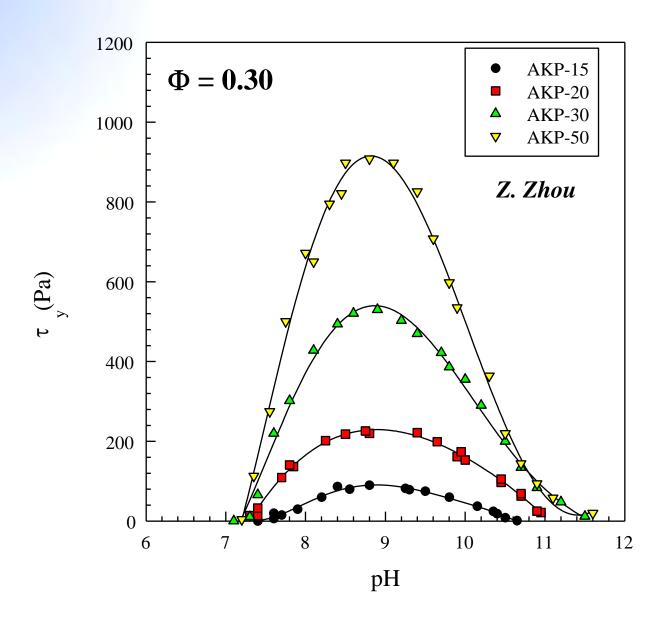












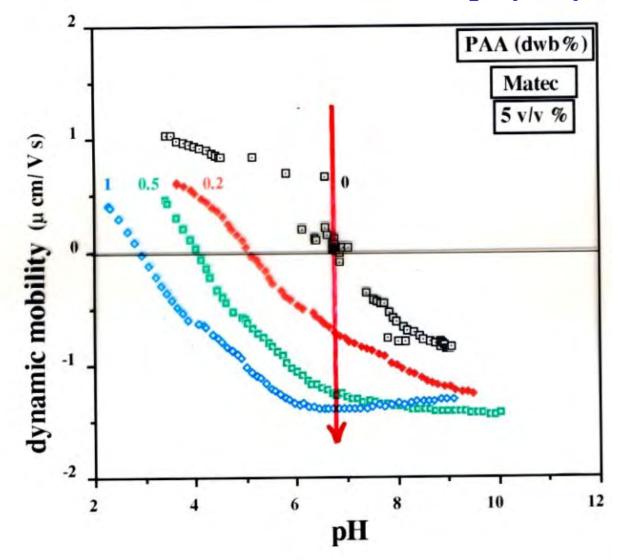




#### 2. Electrokinetics

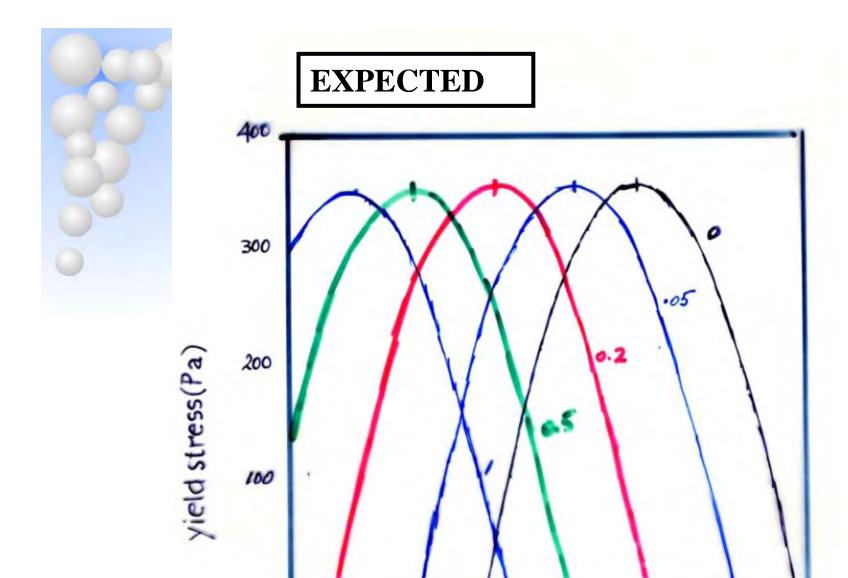
#### Colloidal Ceramic grade Zirconia

Low Mol.Wt. polyacrylic acid.





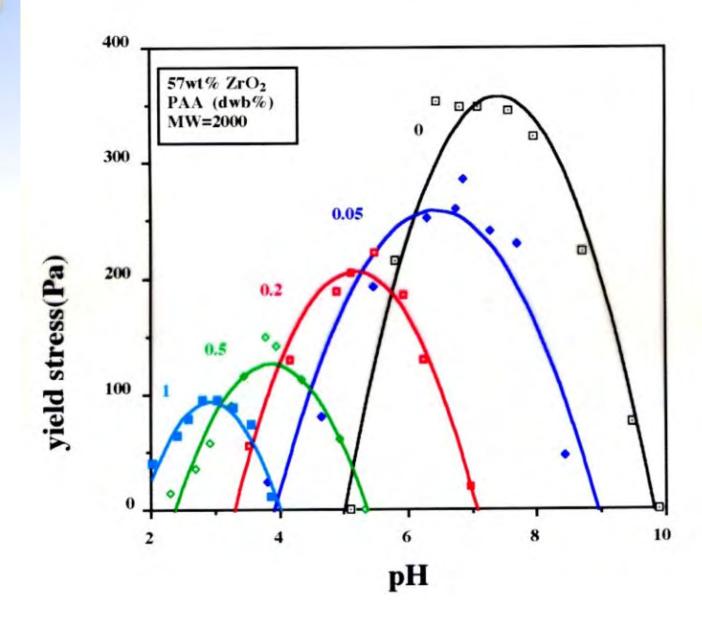






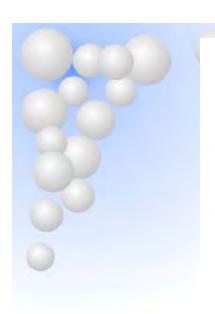


#### **OBSERVED RHEOLOGY.**

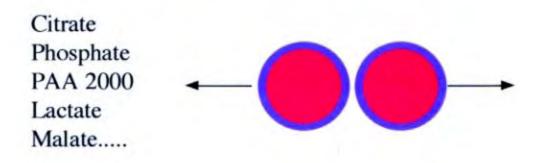


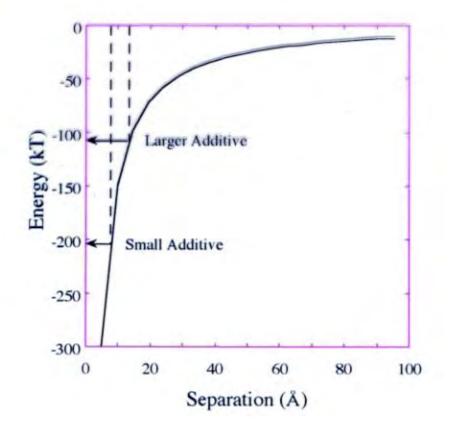






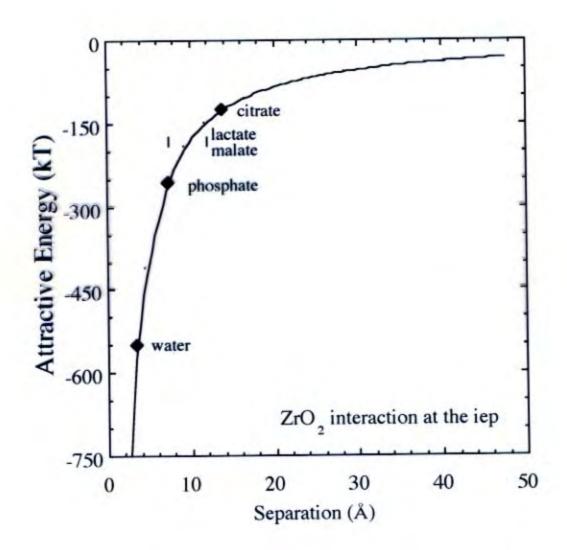
#### **Effect of Additives**















# What about Hydrophobic (Non-Polar) Materials Suspended in Water?

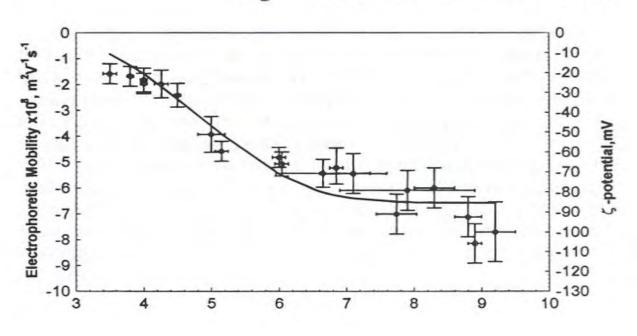
#### **RESPONSES**

- An oxy-moron perhaps!!!
- Things like graphite, oil drops, paraffin etc do not have electrical double layers!!
- Need to pretreat such materials with an amphipathic molecule (surfactant).
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## XYLENE-WATER, (after Marinova et al,1996)

Langmuir, Vol. 12, No. 8, 1996 2047



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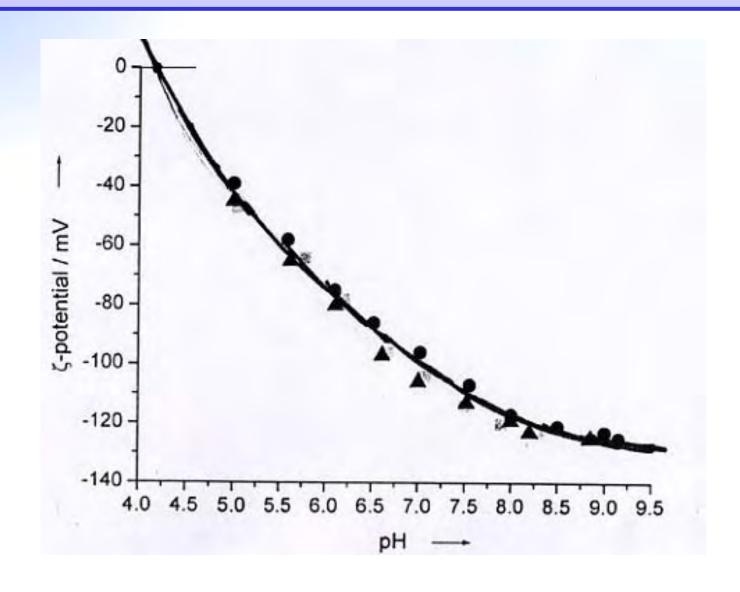






#### HEXADECANE EMULSIONS,

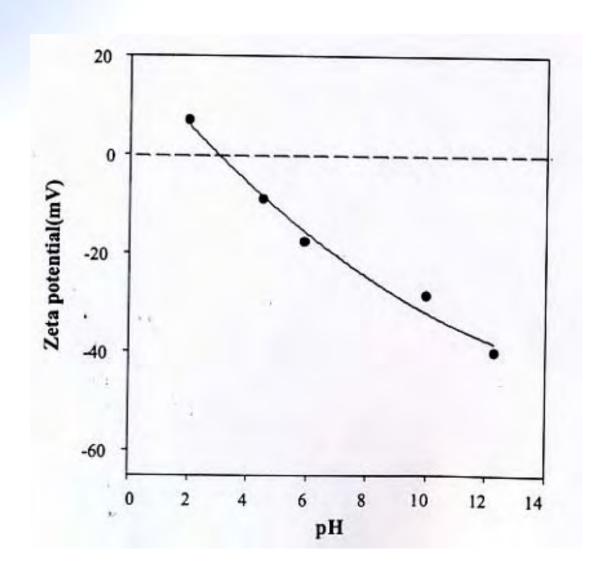
(After Beattie and Djerdjev, 2004)







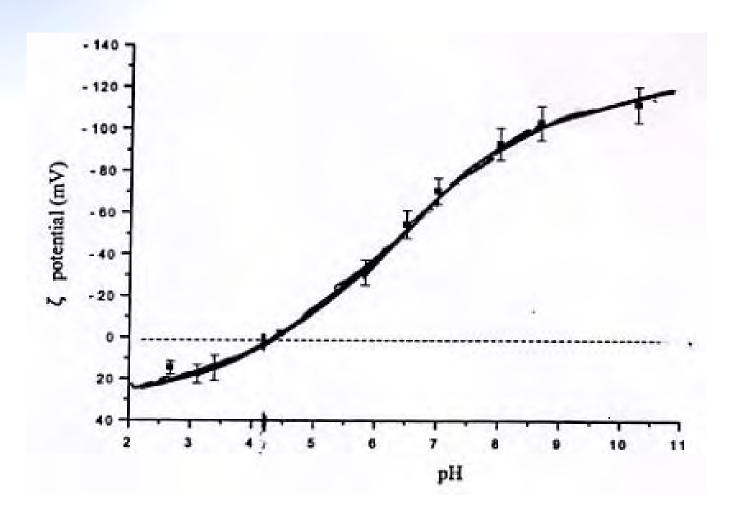
## NANOBUBBLES, (AFTER Cho et al, 2005)







### MICROBUBBLES, (after Takahashi,2005)







#### pHpzc of Non-polar Solid-Water Interfaces

Graphite, graphitized carbons

pH 0.5 to less than 6

Molybdenite

pH 1.5-3.0

**Stibnite** 

pH 2

**Paraffin Wax** 

pH 4-5

Talc, pyrophilite,

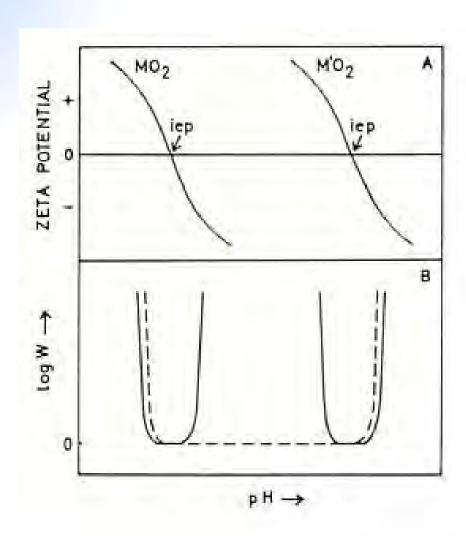
pH 1-2

**Sulphur** 

pH 1.5-2.5

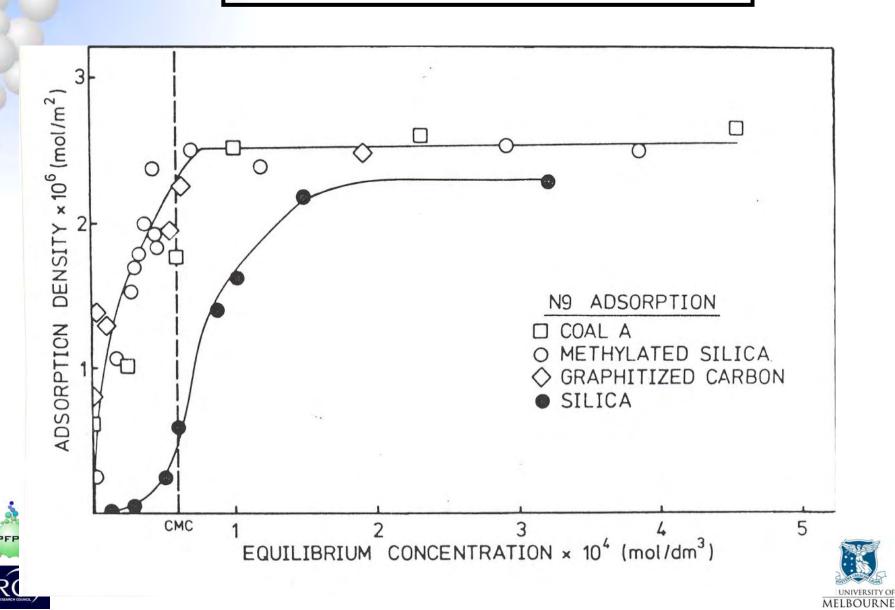


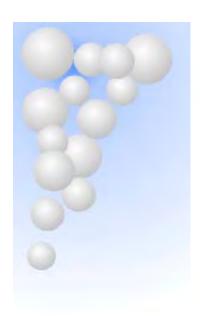


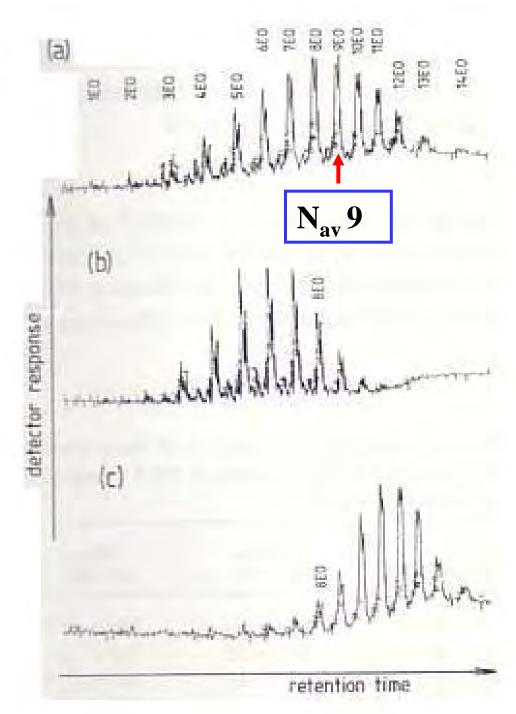




## N9 Alkyl ethoxylate









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**RSC-SCI** 

including Laura Grimsley

Speakers...coming from far away

**Audience** 



