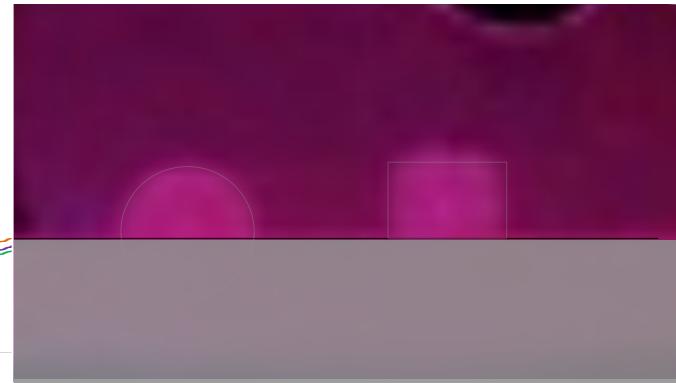
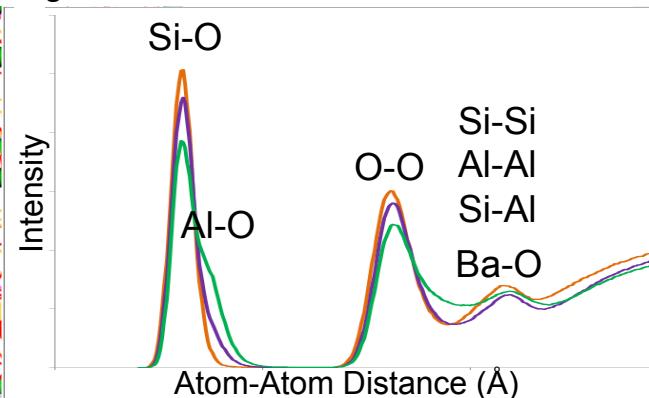
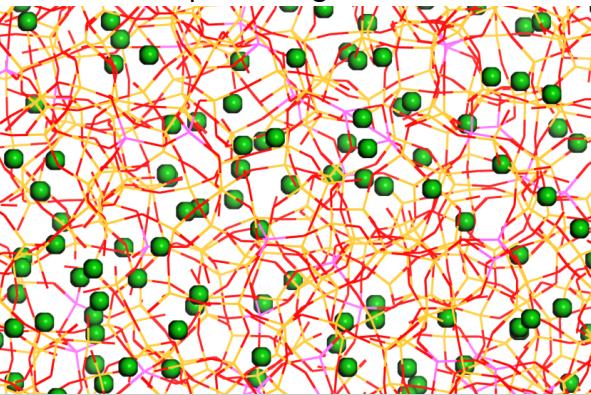


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## Characterization and Modeling to Design and Develop Particle-Filled Glass Composites

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# Glass Is Commonly Used To Bond/Join Inorganic Materials

## ■ Glass bonding/joining Applications

### ■ Glass-bonded composites

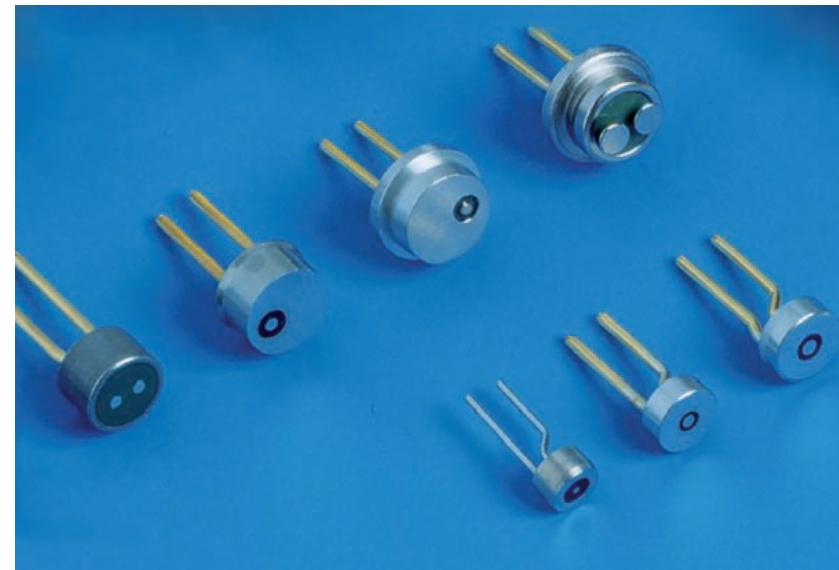
- Glass-bonded alumina
- Low temperature co-fired ceramic (LTCC) electronic packaging

### ■ Seals

- Hermetic glass to metal (GtM) seals
  - Air bag igniters
  - Medical implants
  - Microelectronics
- Energy conversion
  - Solid oxide fuel cells (SOFCs)
  - Concentrated solar



\*Feedthroughs for  
pressure & flow sensors



\*Airbag igniter feedthroughs

\*Schott Electronic Packaging

# Glass Ceramics Offer Enhanced Performance At the Expense of Processability

## Glass

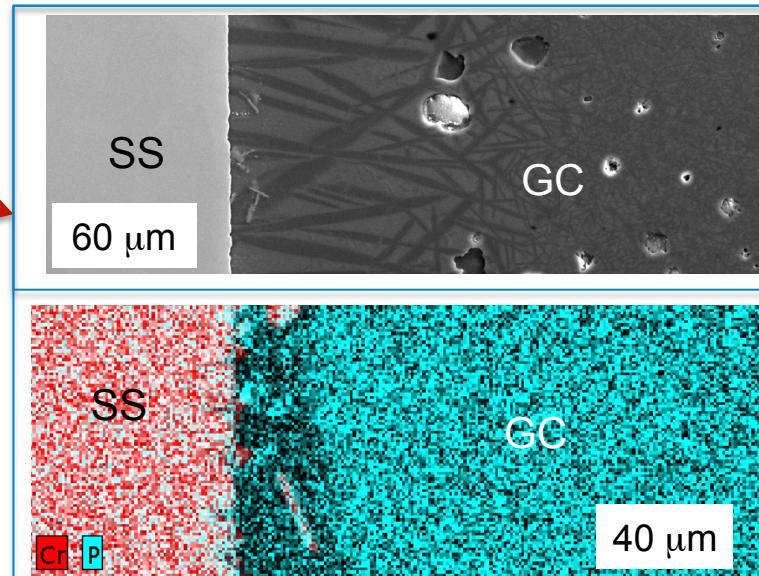
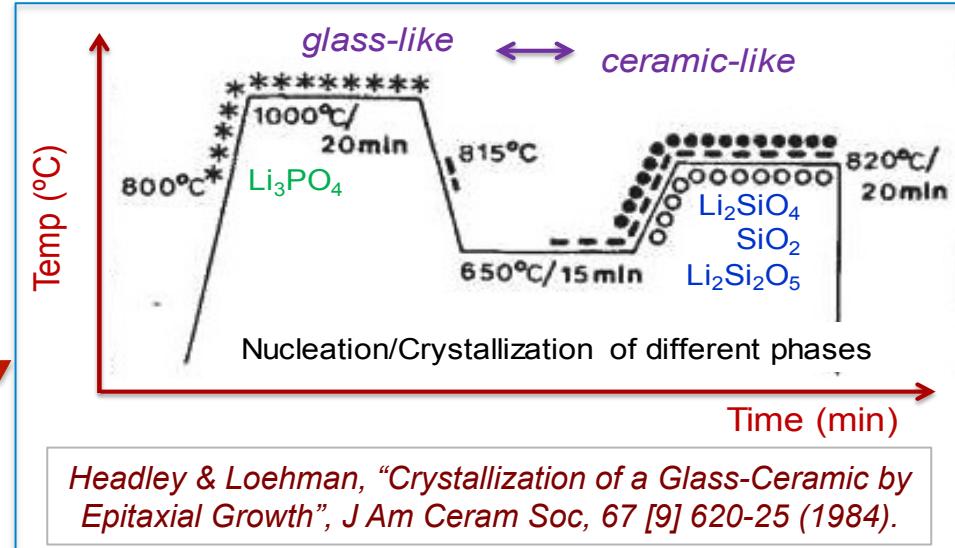
- + Processability
- + Materials Compatibility
- Low/fixed CTE
- Low toughness/crack tolerance

## Glass-Ceramic (GC)

- + Toughness/crack tolerance
- + High/Tunable CTE
- Process sensitivity
- Reactivity/Instability

## Filled-Glass Composite (FGC)

- + Process Robustness
- + Toughness/crack tolerance
- + Low to High/Tunable CTE
- + Chemical/structural stability



# Residual GC Glass Chemistry & Properties Change With Silicate Crystallization

Crystal Product	Glass $\text{SiO}_2$ Content	Glass Viscosity
Silicates	↓	↓

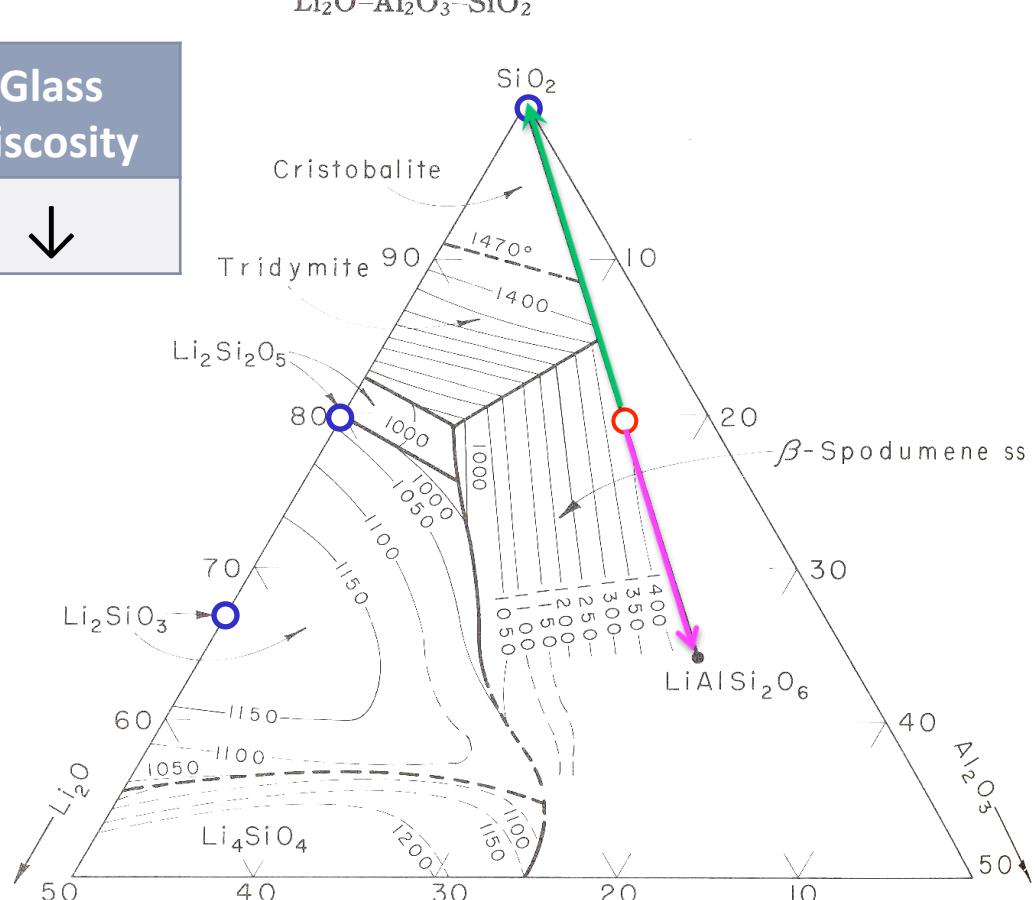


FIG. 2426.—System  $\text{Li}_2\text{O}-\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3-\text{SiO}_2$  showing proposed liquidus.

R. A. Eppeler, *J. Am. Ceram. Soc.*, **46** [2] 100 (1963).

# FGCs Combine The Performance Of A Glass-Ceramic With The Processability Of A Glass

	Glass	Glass-Ceramic (GC)	Filled Glass Composite (FGC)
<b>Microstructure</b>	amorphous	crystalline ceramic in glass matrix	ceramic and/or metal particles in glass matrix
<b>Applications</b>	matched & compression seals	low to high CTE matched & compression seals	low to high CTE matched & compression seals; graded seals
<b>Seal Issues</b>	glass cracking & chipping	hermeticity	---
<b>Processing</b>	glass flows freely to seal	glass softens/flows freely to seal; devitrifies to GC	glass softens with limited flow in FGC to seal
<b>Manufacturability</b>	robust/simple/forgiving	t-T process sensitive microstructure/properties	robust/simple/forgiving;
<b>Process Sensitivity</b>	low	high	low
<b>CTE</b>	low; ~ linear	tunable	tunable
<b>Attributes</b>	Processability & proven history	performance	processability & performance & reliability & engineered properties
<b>Deficiencies</b>	low strength & toughness	different interface chemistry, microstructure, & properties	systems need to be designed/developed

## ■ Objectives

- Develop experimentally-validated modeling/simulation tools to:
  - Predict/control glass chemistry-structure-property relations.
  - Design/process tailored-property/performance FGCs.

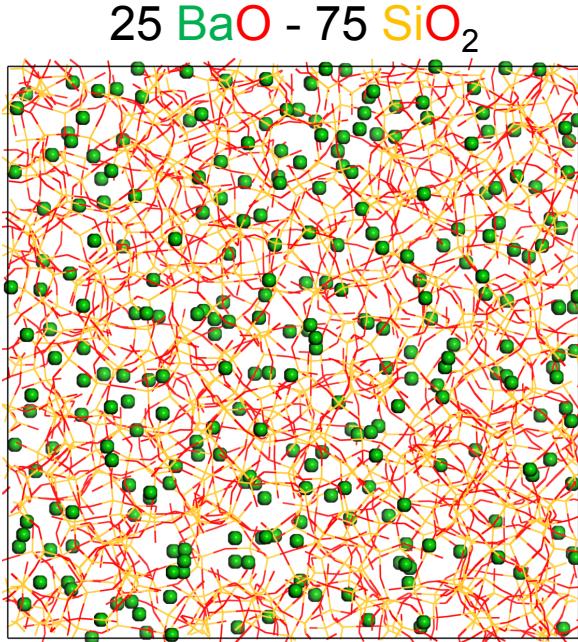
## ■ Approach

- Characterize & model glass chemistry-structure relations.
  - Predict glass chemistry-structure relations with MD modeling.
  - Characterize glass chemistry-structure (e.g., NN distance & NMR peak shifts).
- Characterize & model FGC processing and properties.
  - Design FGCs using composite mixing models.
  - Characterize glass & FGC wetting/interactions on stainless steel (SS).
  - Characterize glass & FGC viscosity for process modeling.
  - Predict and measure FGC properties (e.g., CTE)
- Test, refine, & validate modeling/simulation by comparison to experiment

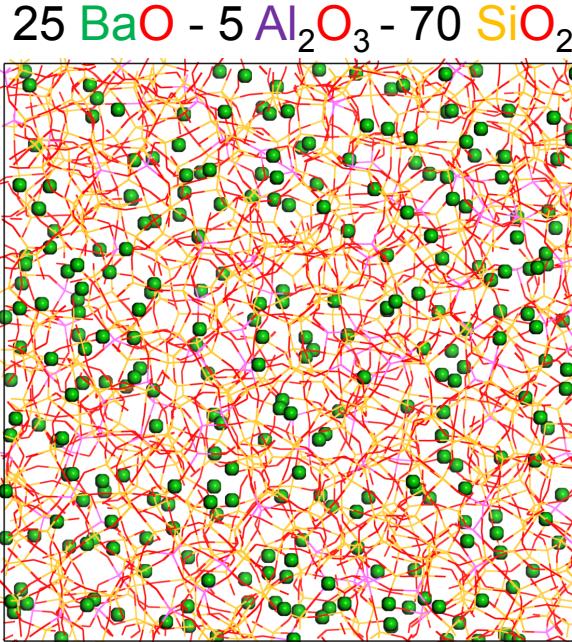
# BAS Glasses Were Simulated With The LAMMPS\*\* MD Code & Pedone\* Multicomponent Force Field

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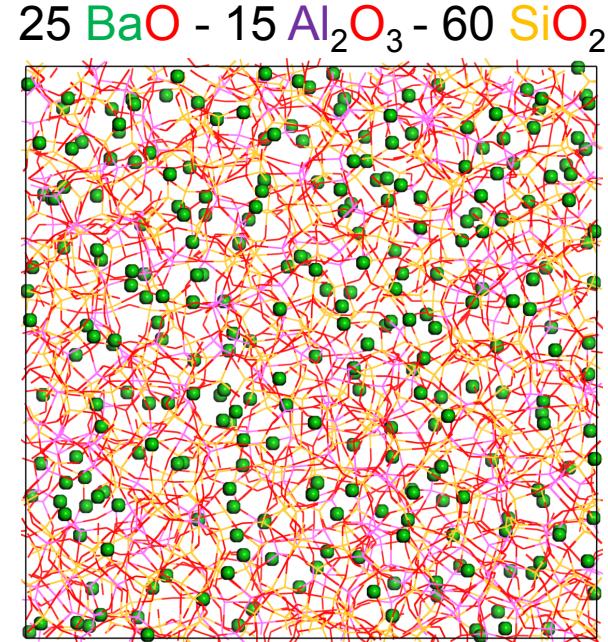
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BAS 2



BAS 3

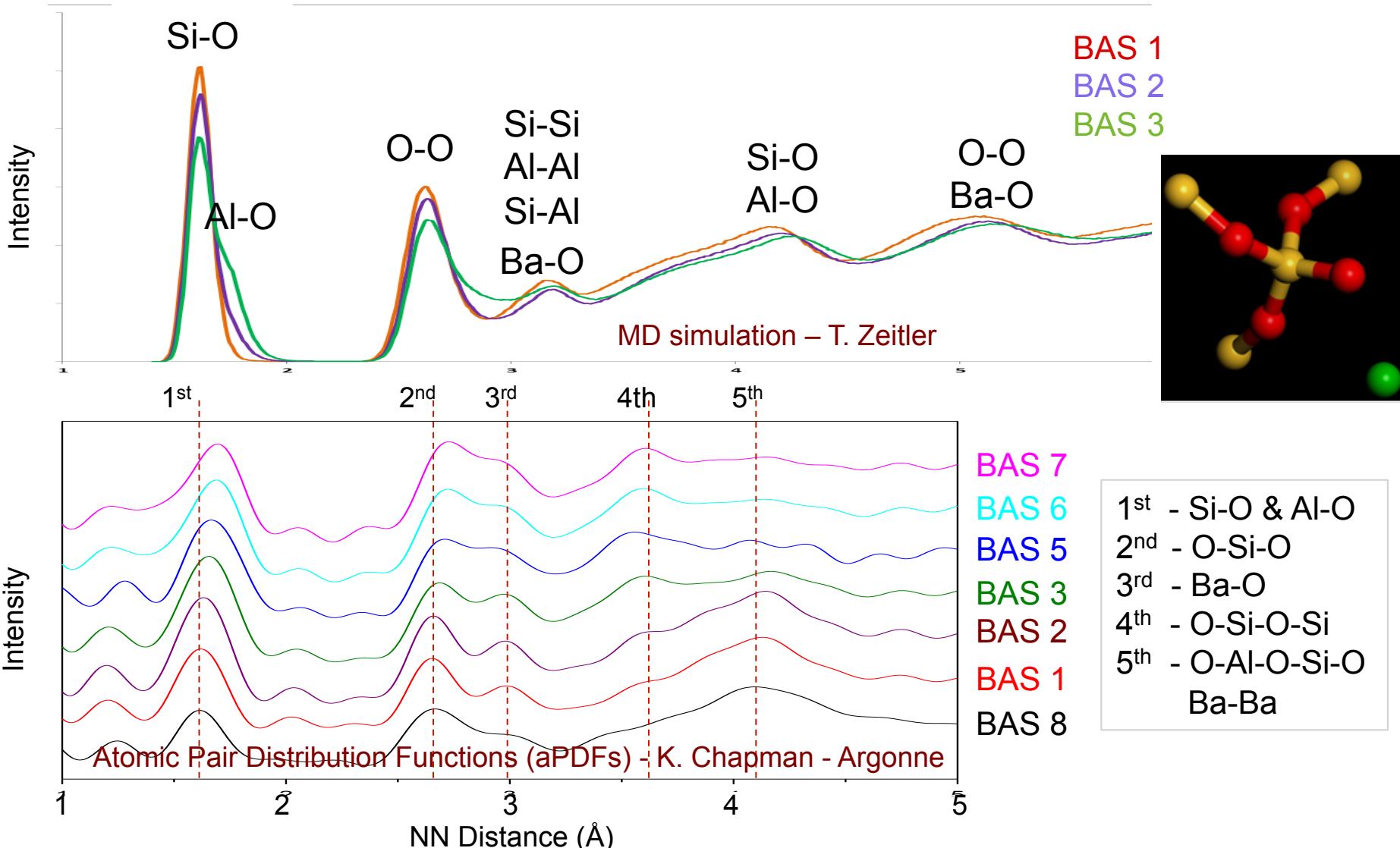


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\*A Pedone et al., “A new self-consistent empirical interatomic potential model for oxides, silicates, and silica-based glasses”, *J Phys Chem B*, **110**, 11780-11795 (2006).

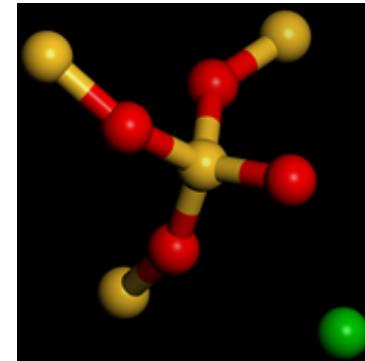
\*\*S Plimpton, “Fast Parallel Algorithms for Short-Range Molecular-Dynamics”, *J Comp Phys*, **117** [1], 1-19 (1995).

# Measured aPDF Peaks Are Consistent With Nearest Neighbor (NN) Distances From MD Simulations



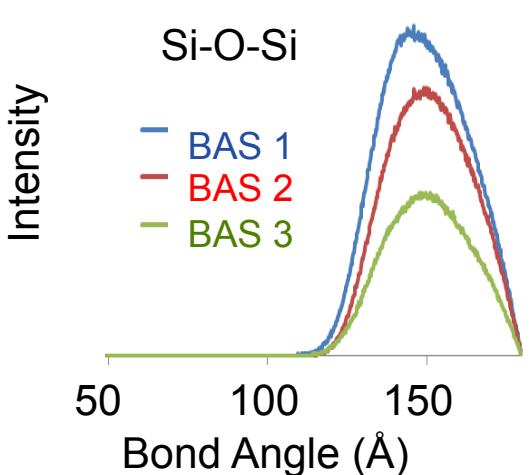
# Model Predictions Of Chemistry-Structure Relations Have Been Tested & Validated By Comparison To Theory

Glass	g/mole	Mole % $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$	$\text{NBO}_{\text{Th}}$ (%)	$\text{NBO}_{\text{MD}}$ (%)	$\text{Connectivity}_{\text{Th}}$ (BO/NF)
BAS 8	91.1	0	40.0	39.5	1.5
BAS 1	83.4	0	28.6	28.0	1.67
BAS 2	85.5	5	22.2	22.1	1.75
BAS 3	89.7	15	10.5	13.6	1.89

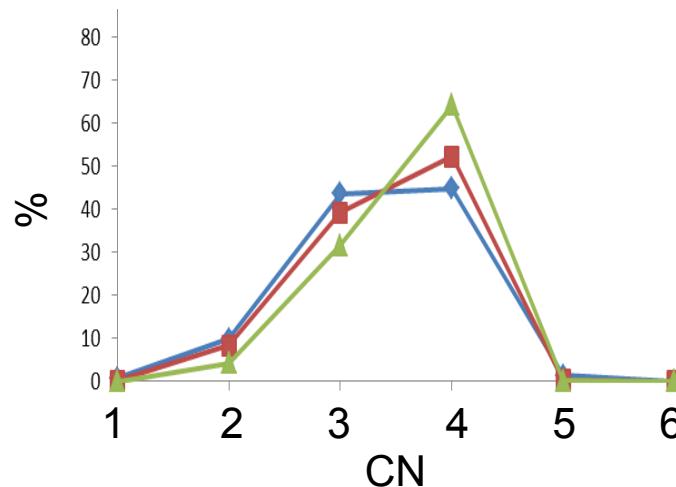


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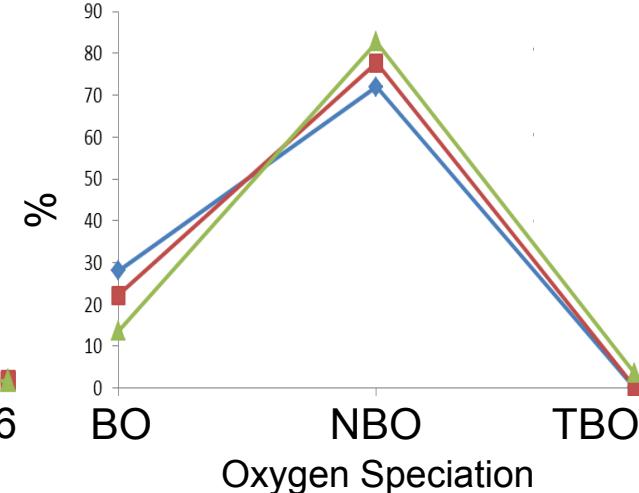
Peak position & symmetry  
increase from BAS 1 → 3



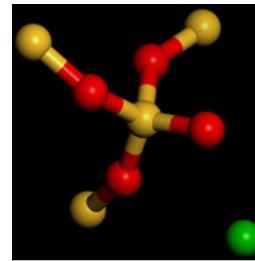
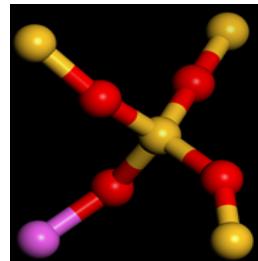
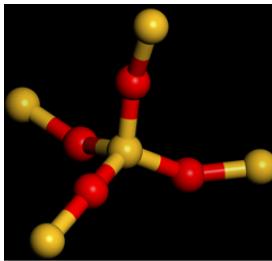
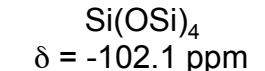
$Q_4/Q_3$  increases from BAS 1 → 3  
(with decreasing NBOs)



BOs:NBOs increases  
from BAS 1 → 3



# $^{29}\text{Si}$ MAS-NMR $Q_3$ & $Q_4$ Peaks Have Been Accurately Predicted From MD Coordinates



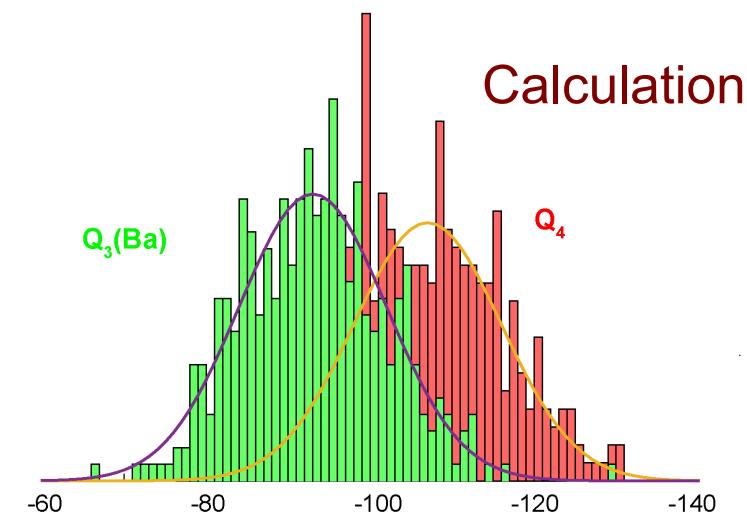
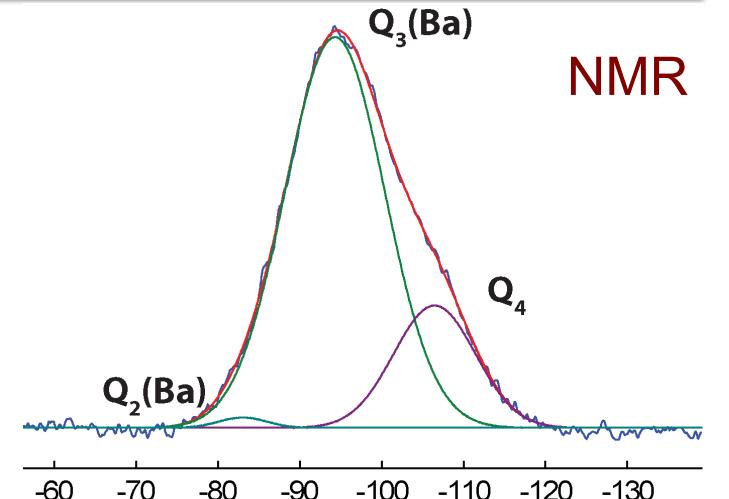
- Calculated  $^{29}\text{Si}$  chemical shifts using MD coordinates.
- Employed correlation from Sherrif et al. (1991) based on silicate mineral structures.
- Factors included bond valence ( $s_i$ ), angle of the bridging oxygen, Si-O bond distance, and distance to the 2<sup>nd</sup> nearest neighbors.

$$s_i = \left( \exp \left[ (r_0 - r_i) / 0.37 \right] \right)$$

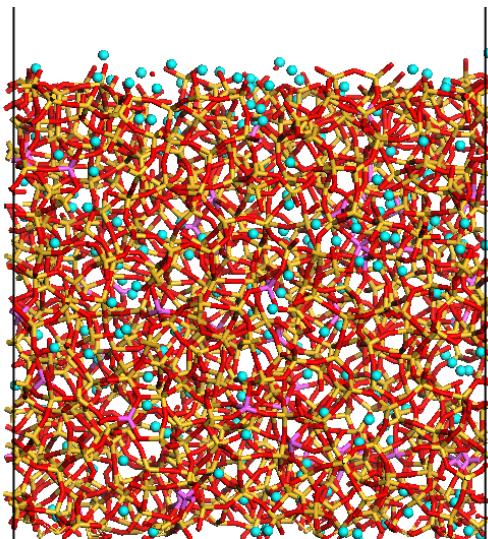
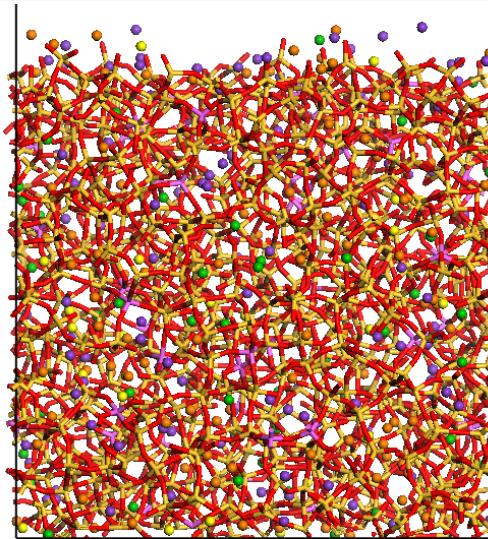
$$\Omega = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ s_i \left( 1 - 3 \cos^2 \theta_i \right) / 3R_i^3 \right] \log D_i$$

$$\delta(^{29}\text{Si}) = 701.6\Omega - 45.7$$

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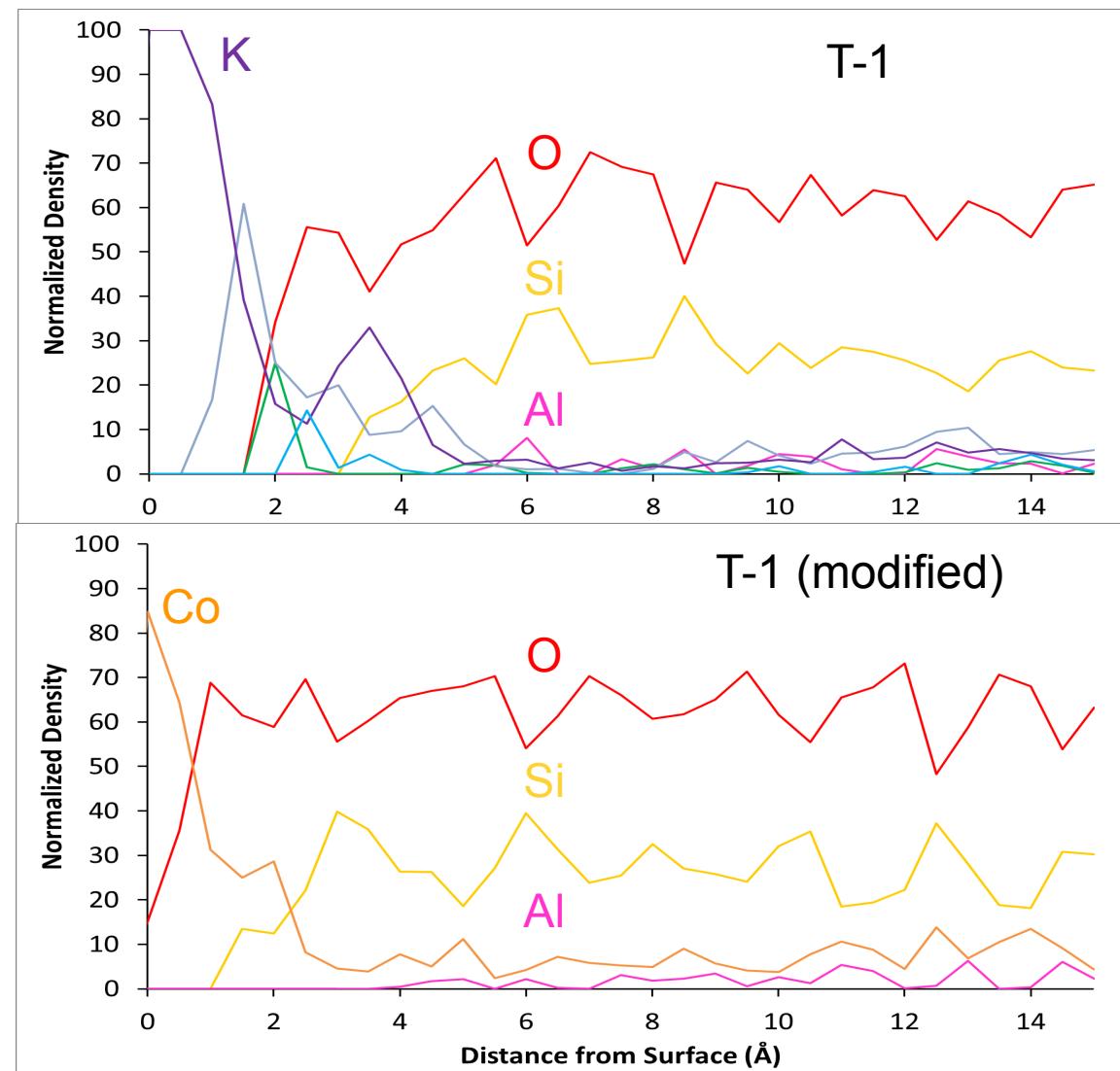


# MD Simulations Show A Higher Relative Concentration Of Glass Network Modifiers On The Glass Surface



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# The Relationship Between Viscosity & Filler Loading Has Value For Mitigating Reactivity And Process Modeling

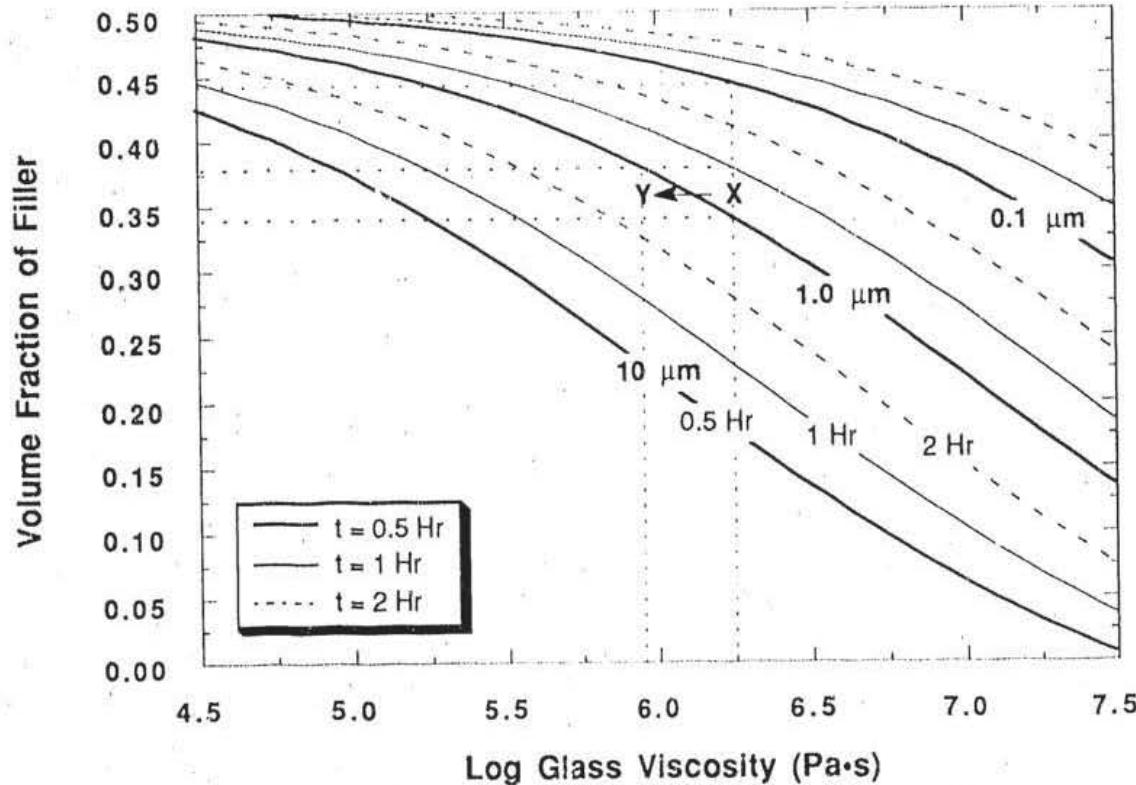
## Euler's Model

$$\eta_s = \eta \left( 1 + \frac{\kappa \phi}{1 - \left( \frac{\phi}{\phi_{\max}} \right)^2} \right)$$

## NLPS Model

$$\eta_{s\text{crit}} = \frac{t \gamma_{lv}}{2 r_0 \left\{ 1 - \sqrt[3]{1 - \frac{\rho_t - 0.92}{0.08}} \right\}}$$

## FGC Process Map

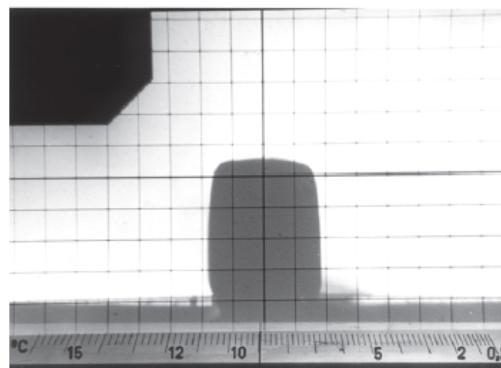


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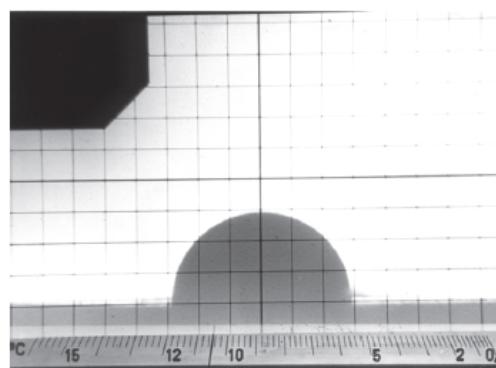
# Sessile Drop Experiments Were Used To Measure Glass And FGC Wetting/Reactivity And Viscous Behavior

1. **First shrinkage or sintering**: Temperature pressed sample starts to shrink ( $\log \eta = 10.0 \pm 0.3$  P).
2. **Point of maximum shrinkage**: Temperature of maximum sample shrinkage before it starts to soften ( $\log \eta = 8.2 \pm 0.5$  P).
3. **Softening point**: Temperature of first signs of softening (disappearance or rounding of edges of the sample) ( $\log \eta = 6.1 \pm 0.2$  P).
4. **Half ball point**: Temperature at which sample forms a (log  $\eta = 4.6 \pm 0.1$  P).
5. **Flow point**: Temperature of maximum height of the drop of molten glass ( $\log \eta = 4.1 - 4.3$  P).

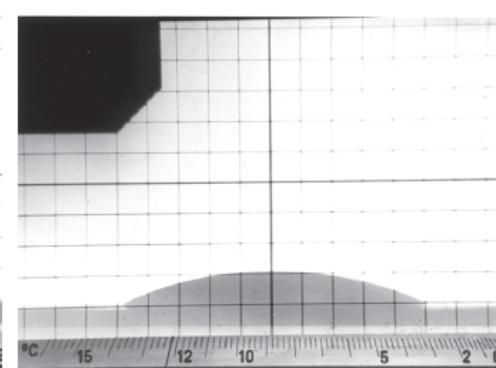
Scholze, "Influence of viscosity and surface tension on hot-stage microscopy measurements on glasses," *Ver. Dtsch. Keram. Ges.*, 1962, **391**, 63–8.)



Softening Point



Half Ball Point



Flow Point

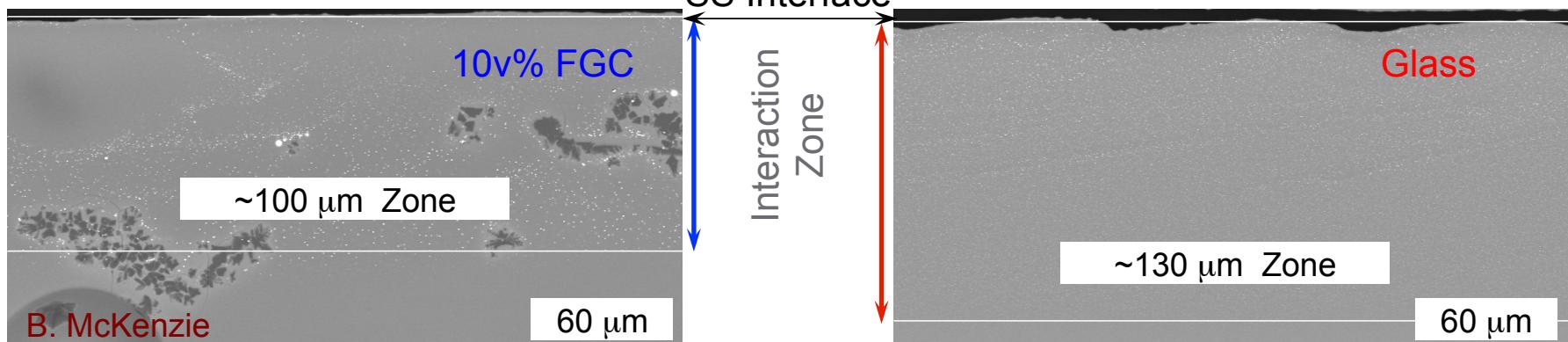
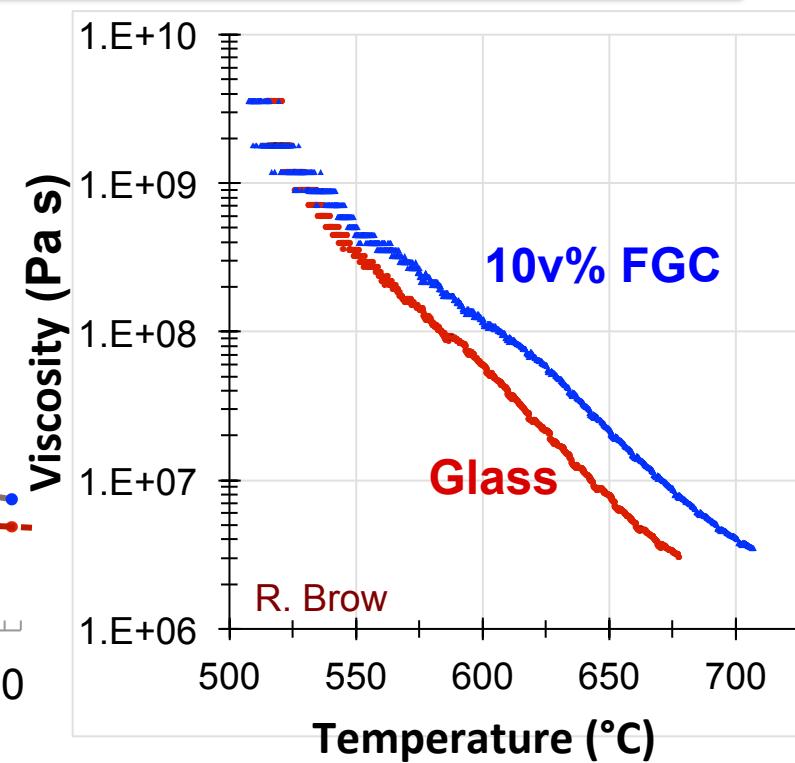
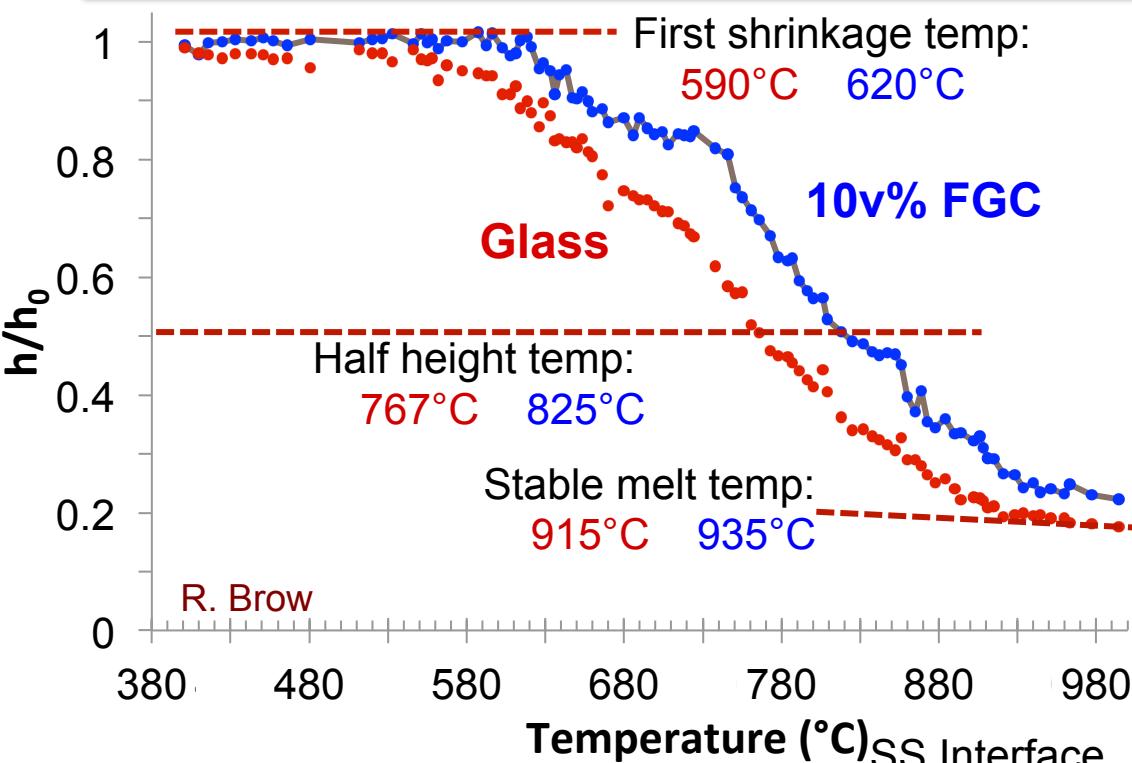
Pascual, et al., *Phys. Chem. Glasses* (2001) 42[1] 61-66.

# Wetting & Viscous Flow Were Characterized Using Sessile Drop Experiments On Stainless Steel



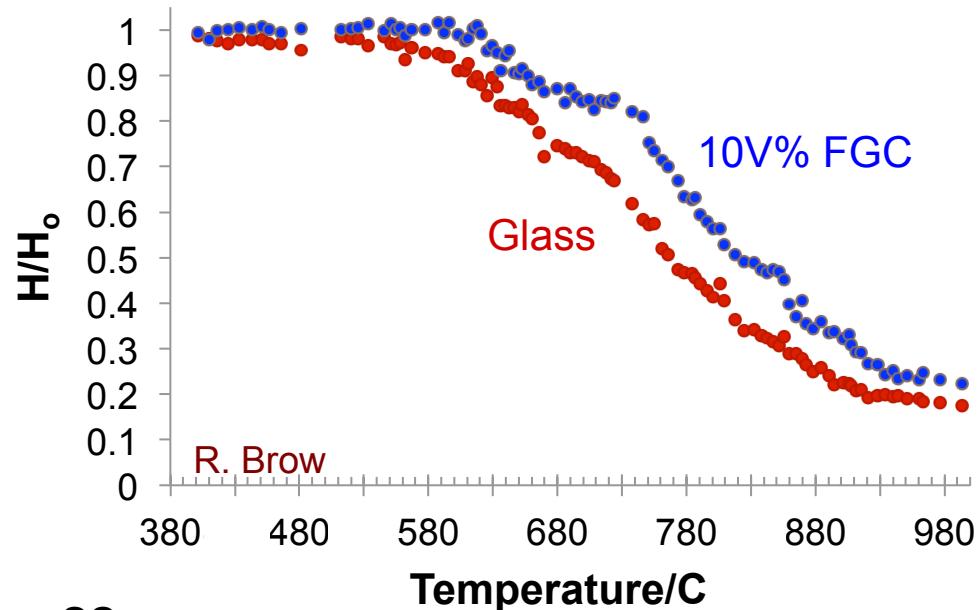
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# The Filler Addition Increases The FGC Viscosity And Decreases FGC Reactivity Relative To The Glass

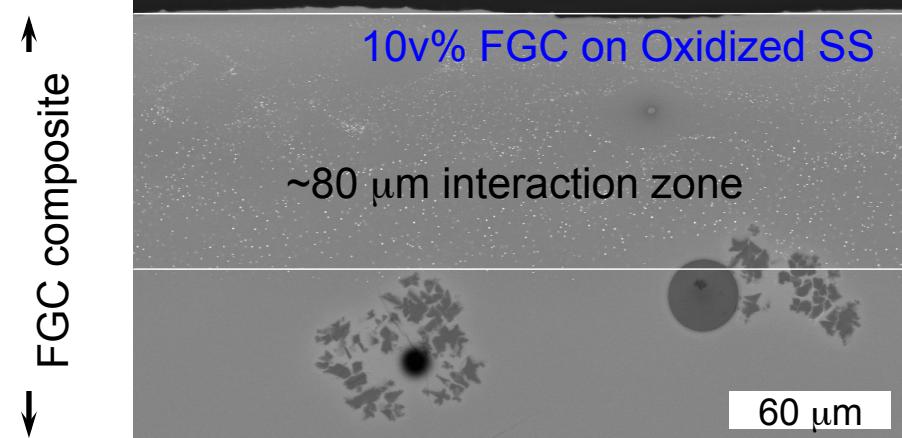
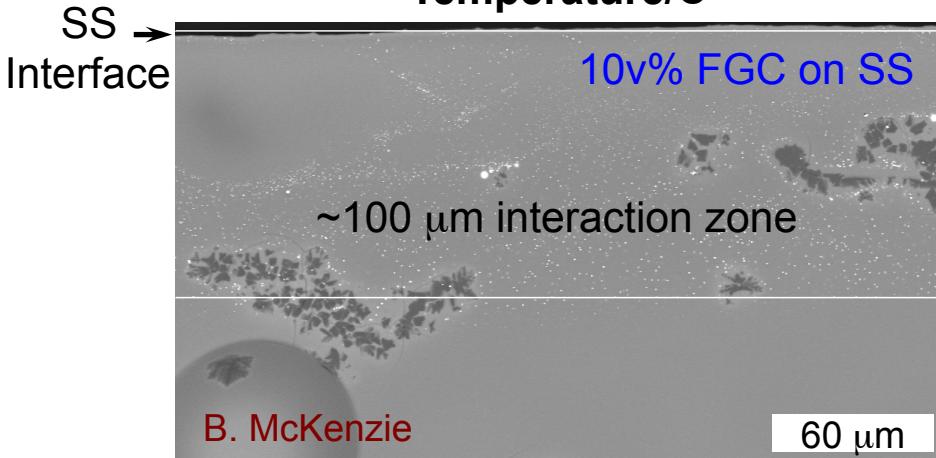
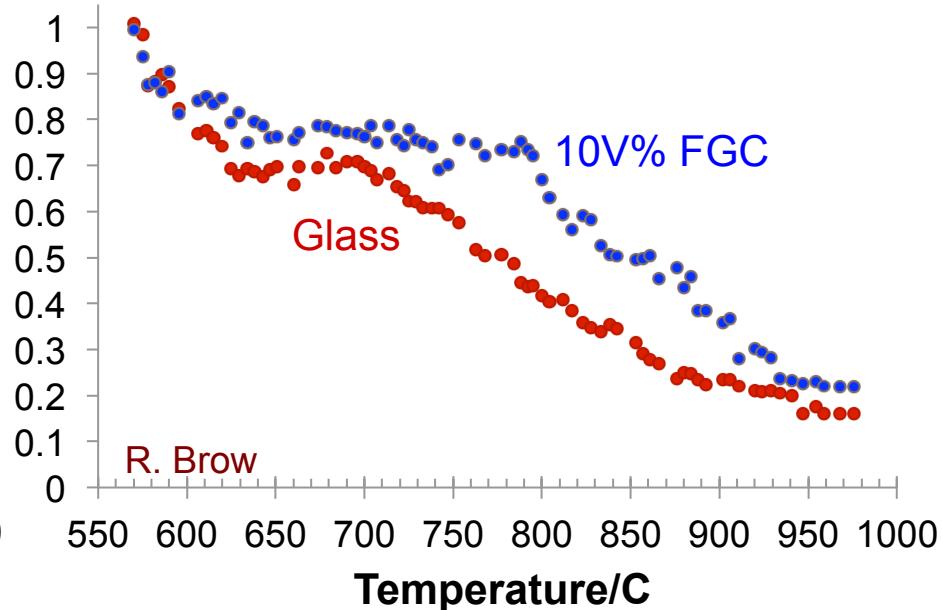


# Wetting And Reaction Are Initially Enhanced On The Oxidized The Stainless Steel Surface

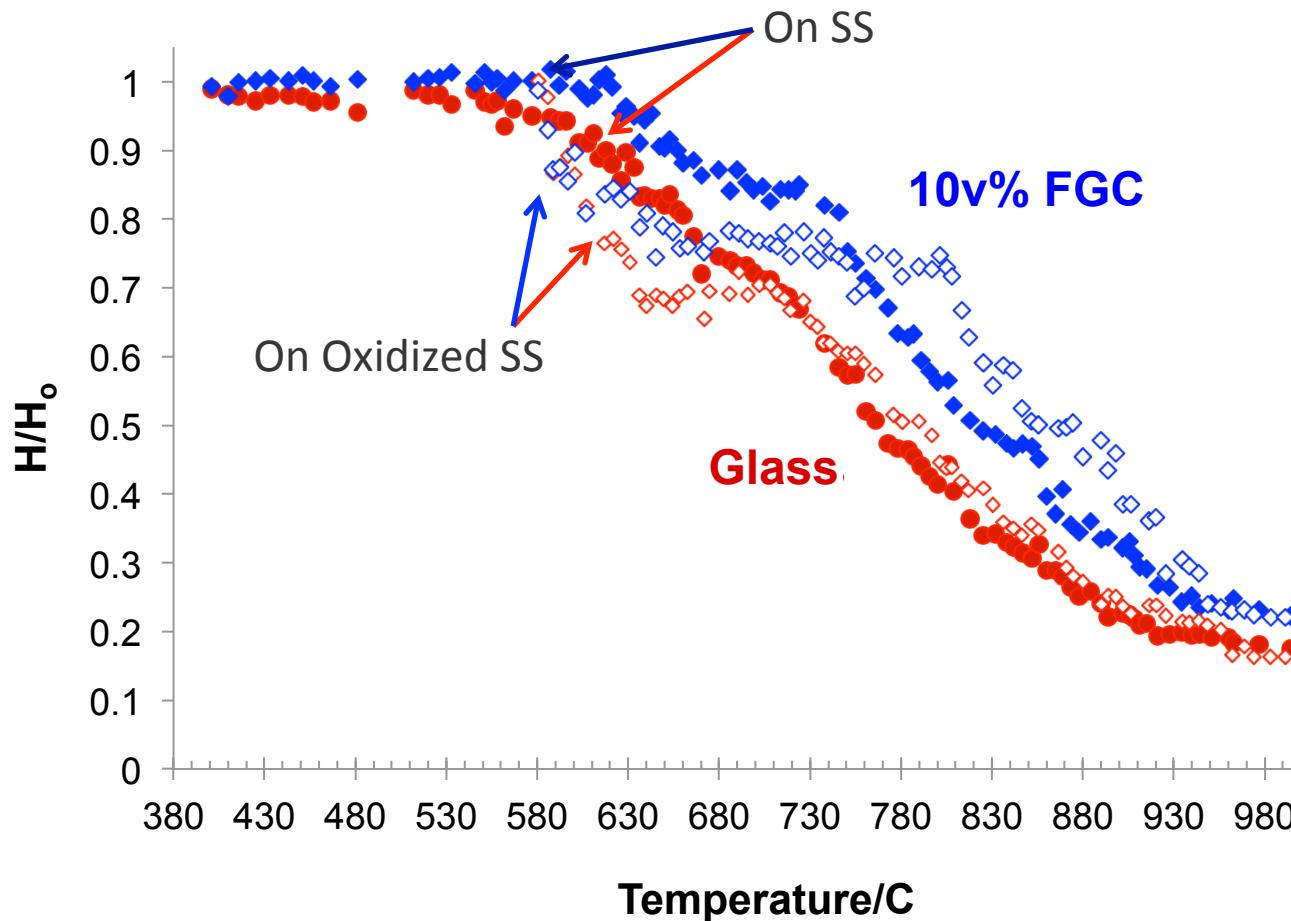
Wetting on SS



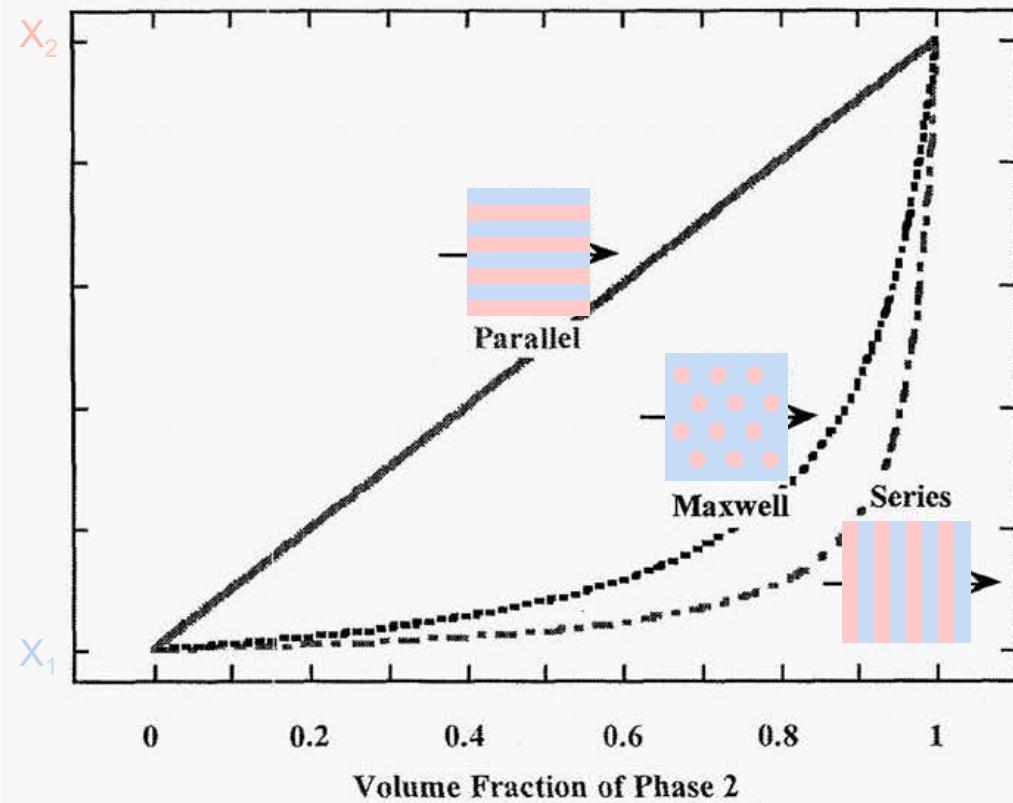
Wetting on Oxidized SS



# FGC Reactivity Is Reduced After The Initial Oxide Layer Is Dissolved



## Validated FGC Property Models



## Parallel Mixing Model

$$X_{\text{Comp}} = X_1 f_1 + X_2 f_2$$

## Series Mixing Model

$$X_{\text{Comp}} = \frac{X_1 X_2}{X_1 f_2 + X_2 f_1}$$

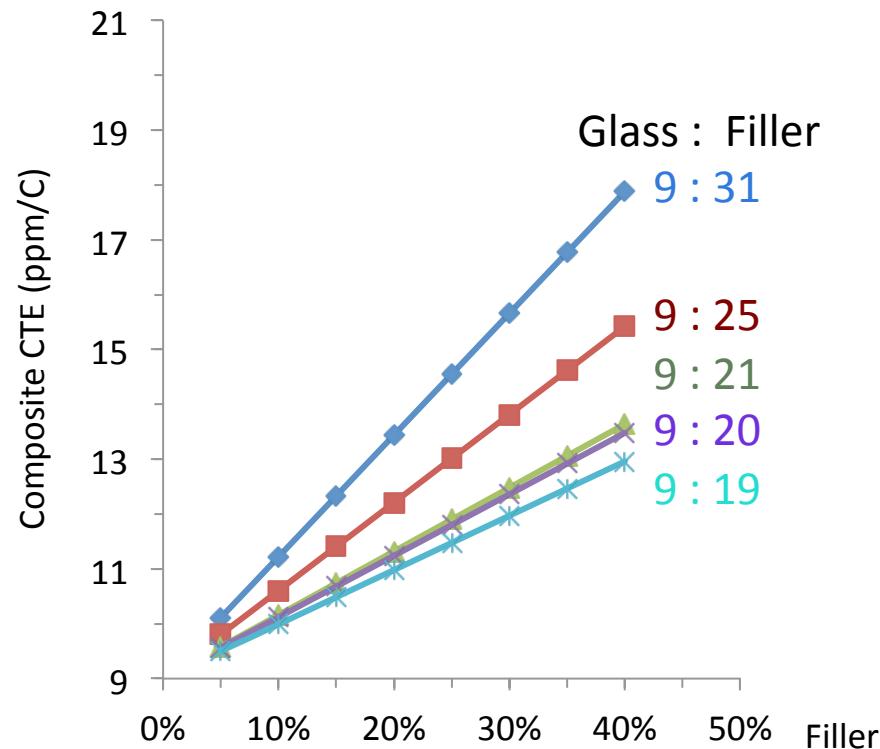
## Series Mixing Model

$$X_{\text{Comp}} = \frac{X_m f_m \left( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{X_d}{3X_m} \right) + X_d f_d}{f_m \left( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{X_d}{3X_m} \right) + f_d}$$

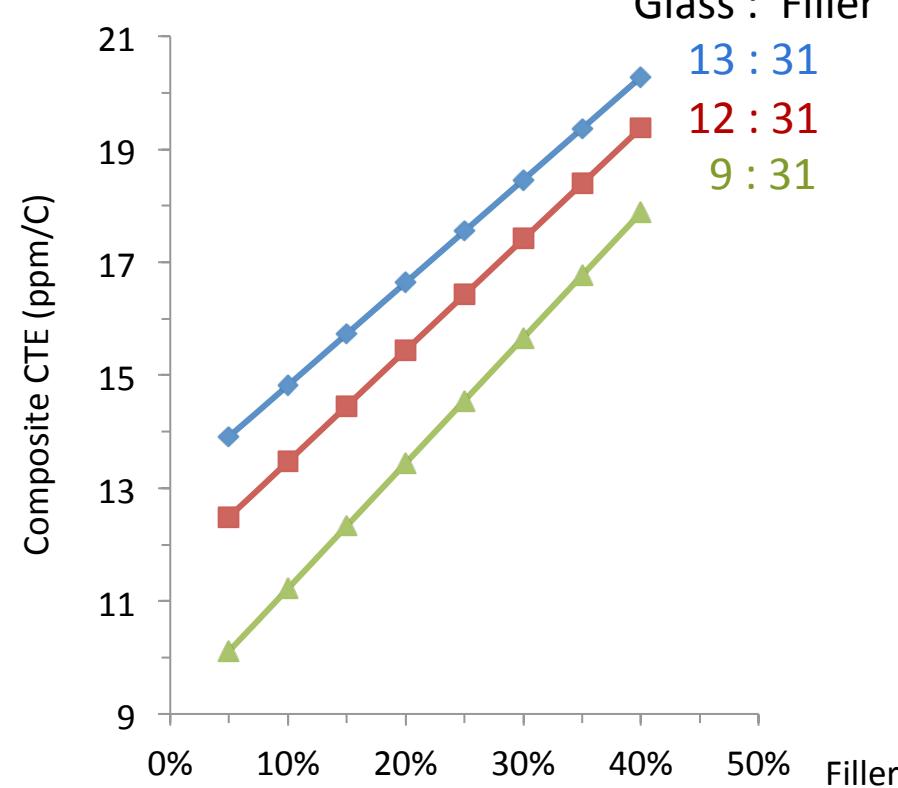
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# The Glass Matrix CTE Is Critical To Achieving A Manufacturable, High CTE FGC

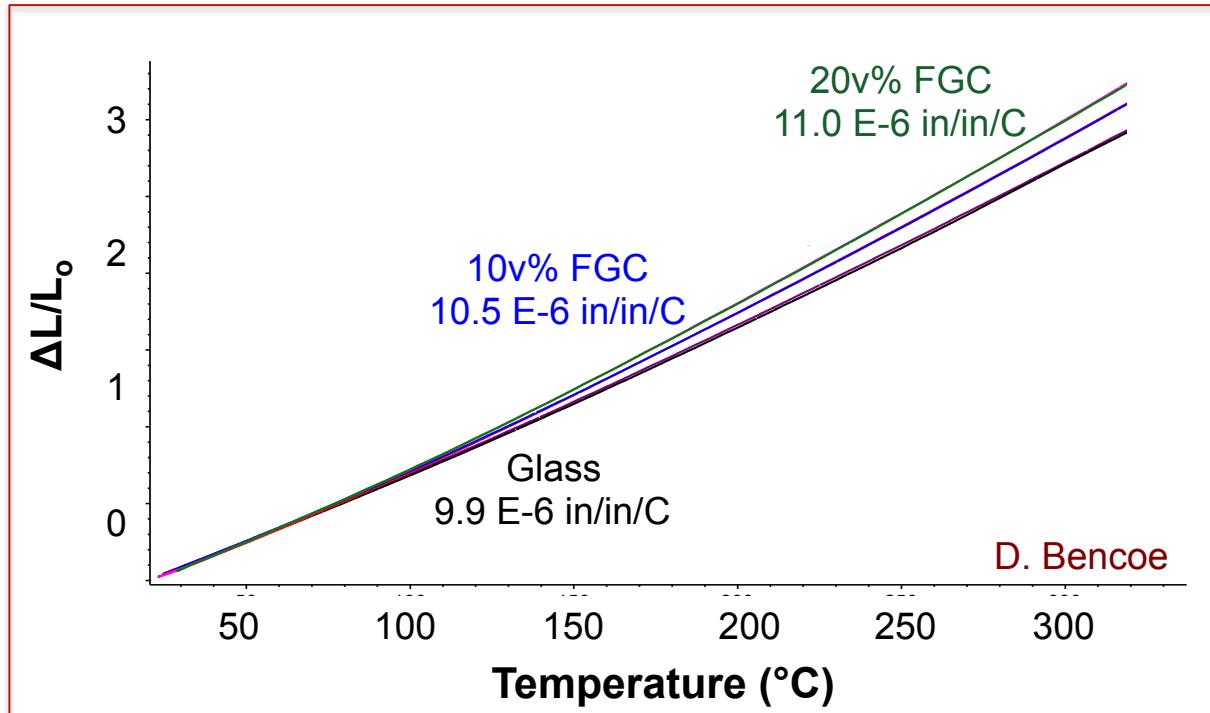
## Effects of Filler CTE



## Effects of Glass/Matrix CTE



# Filled-Glass Composite (FGC) Properties Are Tunable Are Consistent With Model Predictions



Material	Measured CTE (ppm/C)	Predicted CTE (ppm/C)
Glass	9.9	----
10v% FGC	10.5	10.4
20v% FGC	11.0	11.0
17.5v% FGC	17.0	16.9

# Experimentally-Validated Modeling Is Being Developed To Enable Advanced FGC Design And Fabrication

- Glass Chemistry-Structure Relations Have Been Modeled

- Good first-order agreement between experiments and MD model bulk structures
  - Modeling is an efficient means to assess bulk glass chemistry-structure relations
- Initial interface modeling results are consistent with expectations

- Tailored Property FGCs Have Been Designed, Fabricated, & Characterized.

- Measured FGC CTE trends as predicted by modeling
- Initial wetting & reactivity results are consistent with modeling/expectations
  - FGCs have higher viscosity and lower reactivity relative to glass
  - Initial wetting & reactivity are enhanced on oxidized SS

