

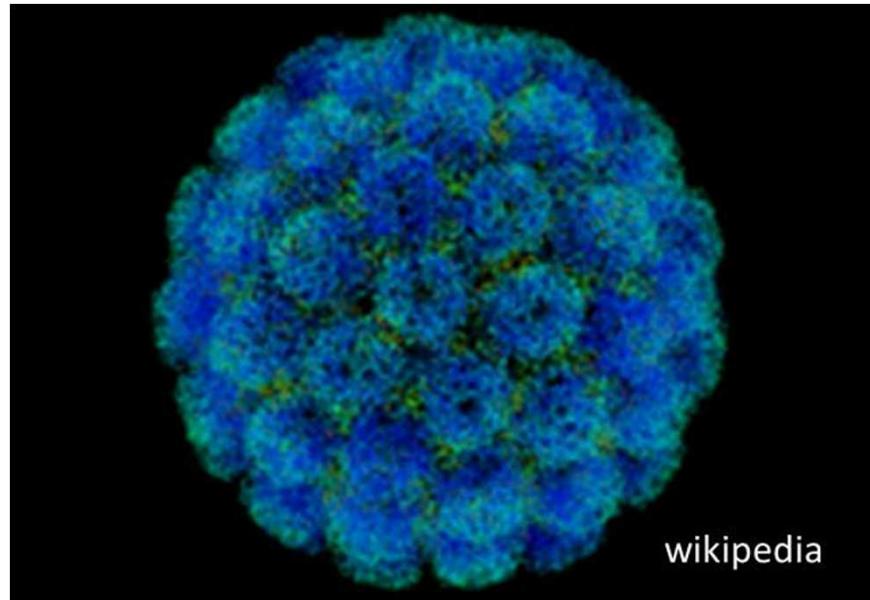
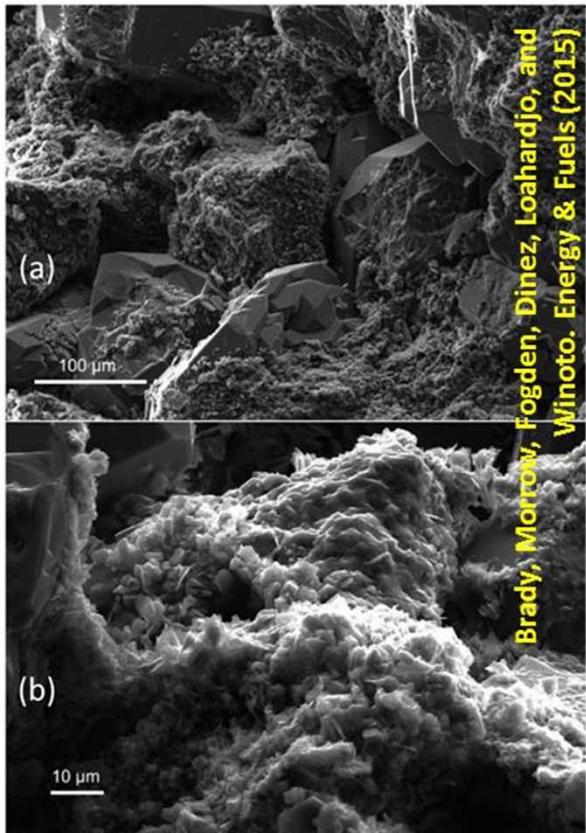
# Wettability, Anti-Viral Treatments, and Potholes

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IN THE medical armoury vaccines are a wonderful piece of ammunition. But they are like bullets that can hit one target only. Different vaccines are needed to prevent specific viral infections. If a person is already ill, vaccines won't help. Various antiviral drugs might, shortening the time people are ill or preventing serious complications. The trouble is viruses are a moving target because they can evolve rapidly. Researchers have tinkered with some antiviral treatments that might work against a wide spectrum of diseases, but all have had shortcomings. Now one group thinks they have found a method that might protect cells in the body from a viral invasion.

The new research, led by James Hedrick of the IBM Almaden Research Center in California, Naoki Yamamoto of the National University of Singapore and Yi Yan Yang of the Institute of Bioengineering and Nanotechnology, also in Singapore, stems from an old tactic that has been problematic in the past. All viruses depend upon similar electrical charges at their surfaces to connect to the cells that they are trying to infect. If the charges on viruses and cells could somehow be meddled with, it should make things harder for the virus to infect the host.

Lots of experiments have demonstrated that the theory is sound. Unfortunately, many of the materials used to interfere with the electrical charges have also been toxic to the cells they are supposed to protect. Dr Hedrick and his colleagues speculated that it might be possible to work around this problem with polyethylenimine. Previous work has shown



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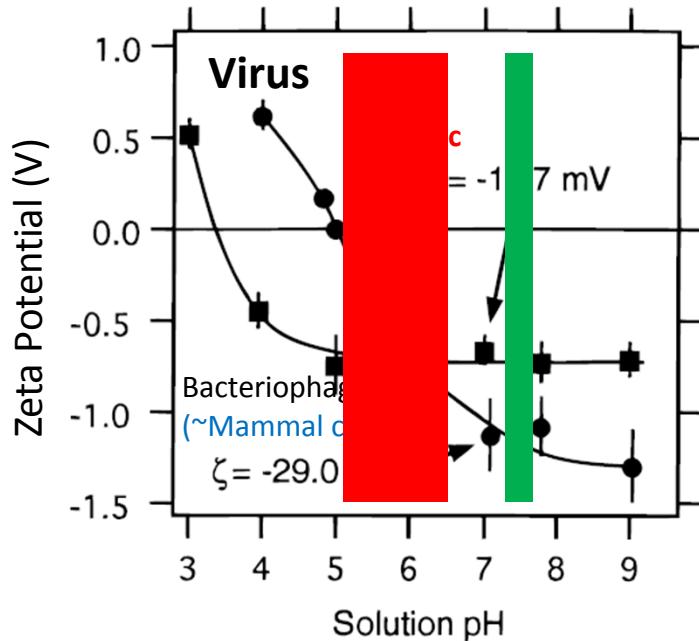
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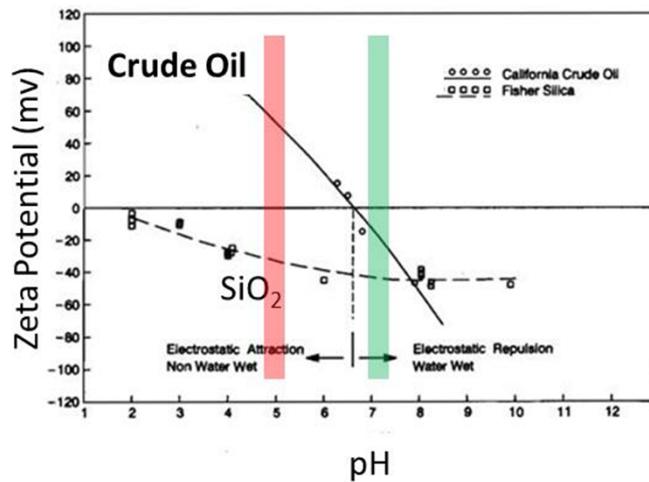


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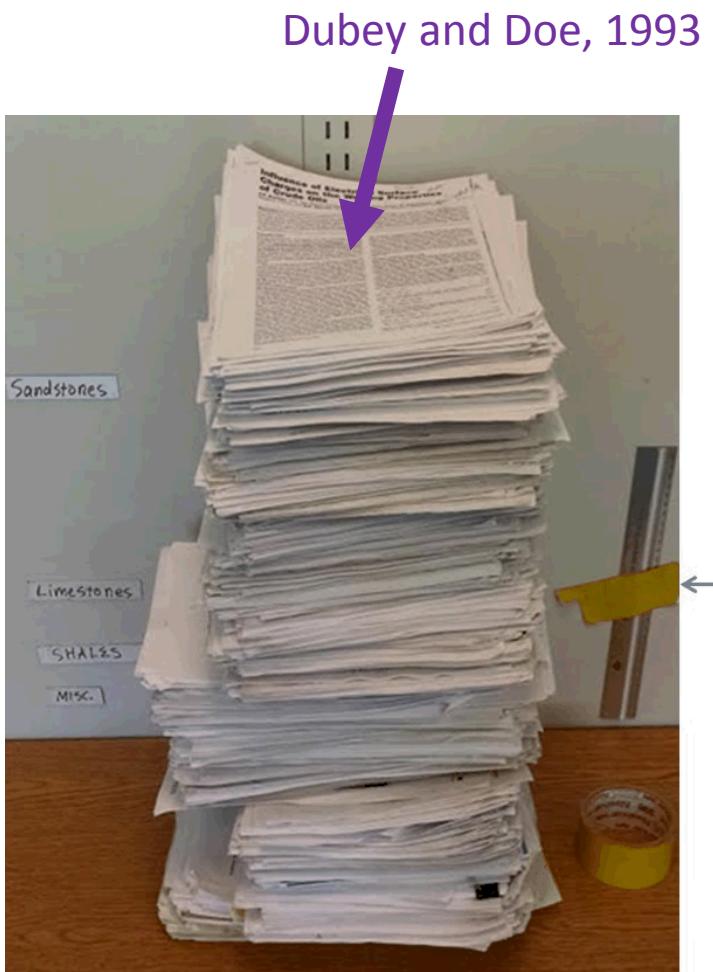
Physiological fluid pH 7.4



From Redman et al., 1997 ES&T



from Dubey and Doe (1993) Base number and wetting properties of crude oil. SPE Reservoir Engineering, 8 (195-200).



My stack of chemical  
waterflooding references

# Pothole Formation

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**ADHESION IN  
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SYSTEMS AND  
QUANTIFICATION OF  
THE EFFECTS OF  
WATER ON THE  
ADHESIVE BOND**

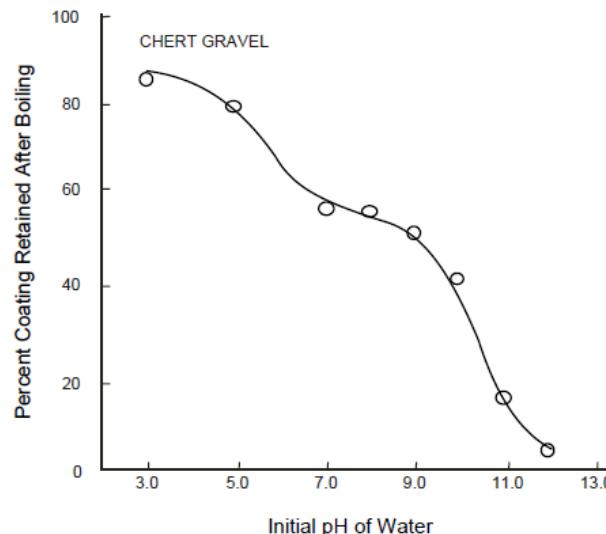
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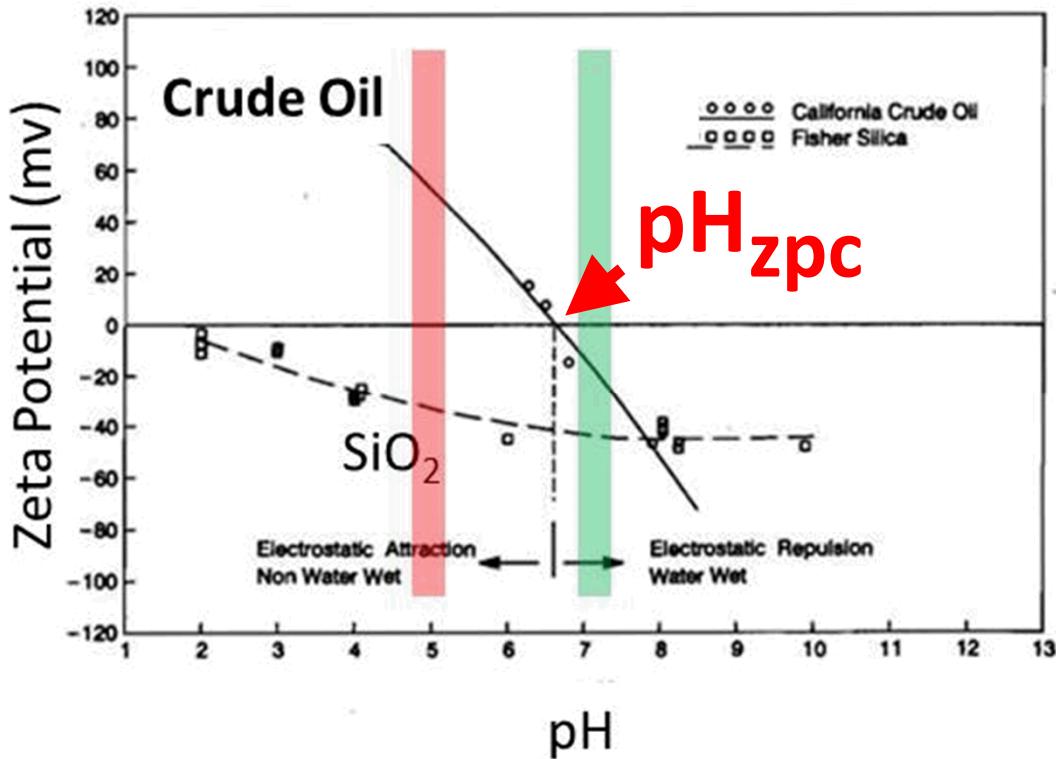
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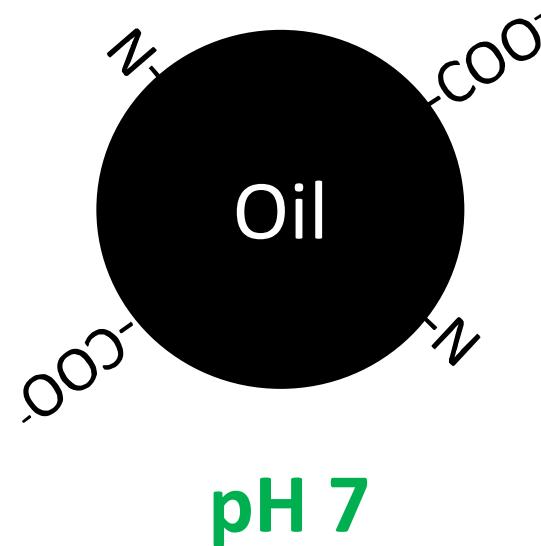
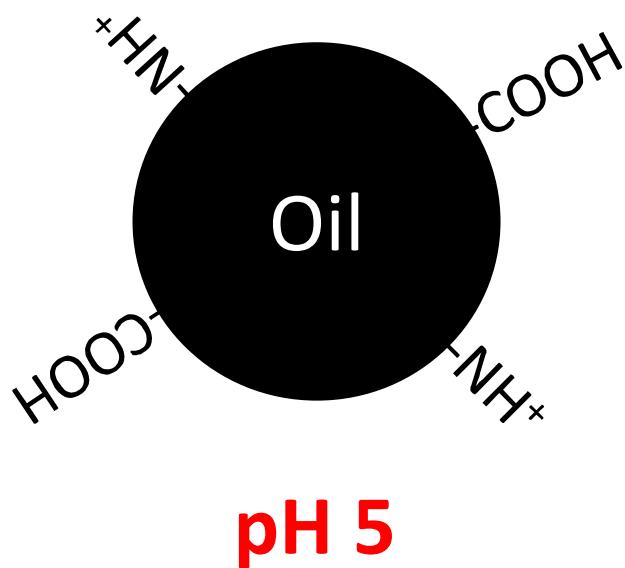


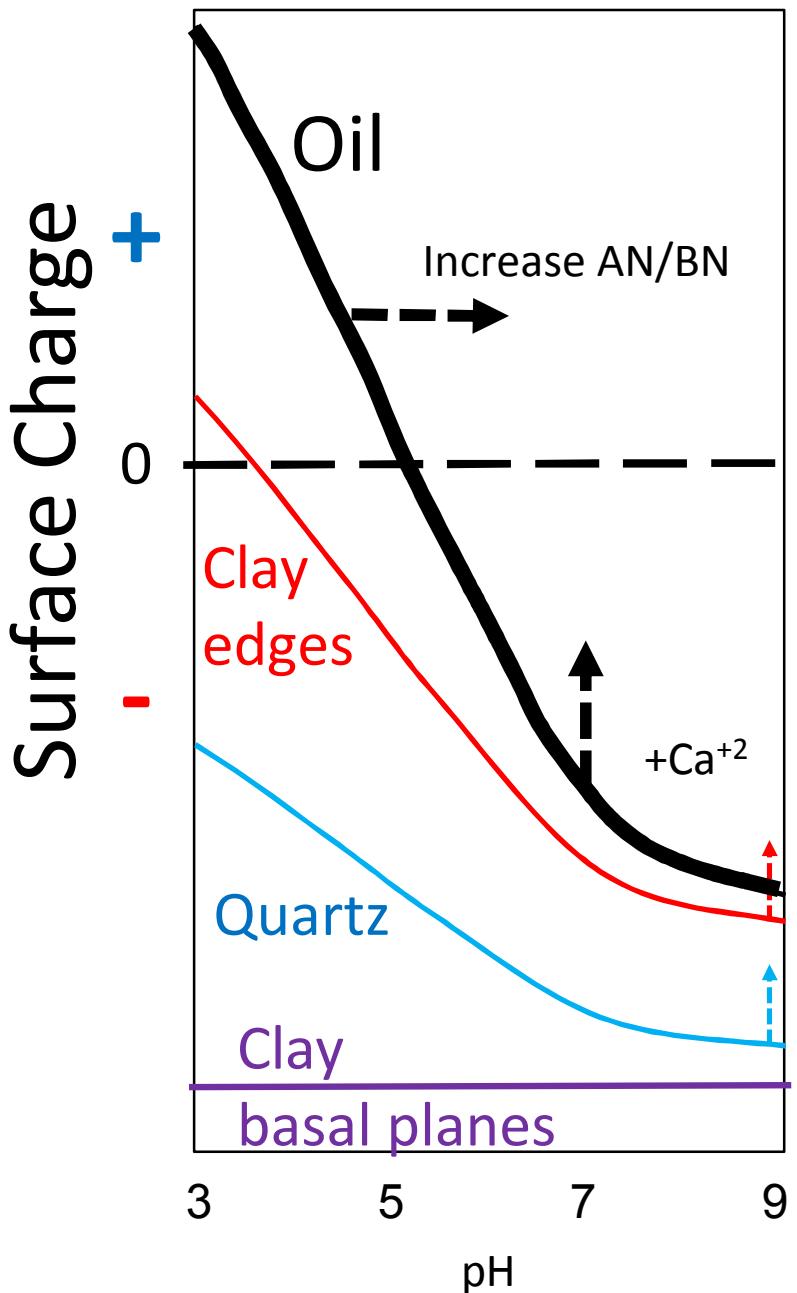
The addition of adhesion promoters to bitumen is common practice and numerous research papers and reviews have been published on different compounds used and the effects of anti-strip agents on performance of asphalt mixes. Basic, amine anti-strip agents are generally used to improve adhesion of bitumen with siliceous aggregates. Logaraj (2002) states that the two main characteristics of anti-strip additives are (a) they have a polar amine end group which will chemically bond with the siliceous aggregate surface, and (b) they have a hydrocarbon chain with similar properties to that of the bitumen so that they will interact and become part of the bitumen. A primary amine ( $\text{RNH}_2$ ) and tertiary amine ( $\text{NR}_3$ ) are schematically illustrated in Figure 15.



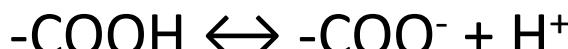
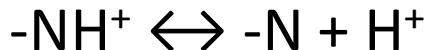


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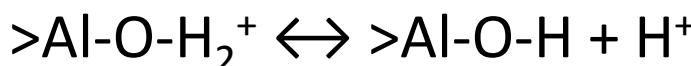




## Oil



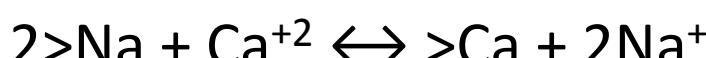
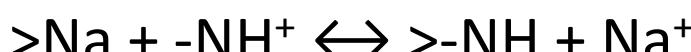
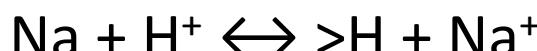
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## Quartz



## Clay Basal Planes

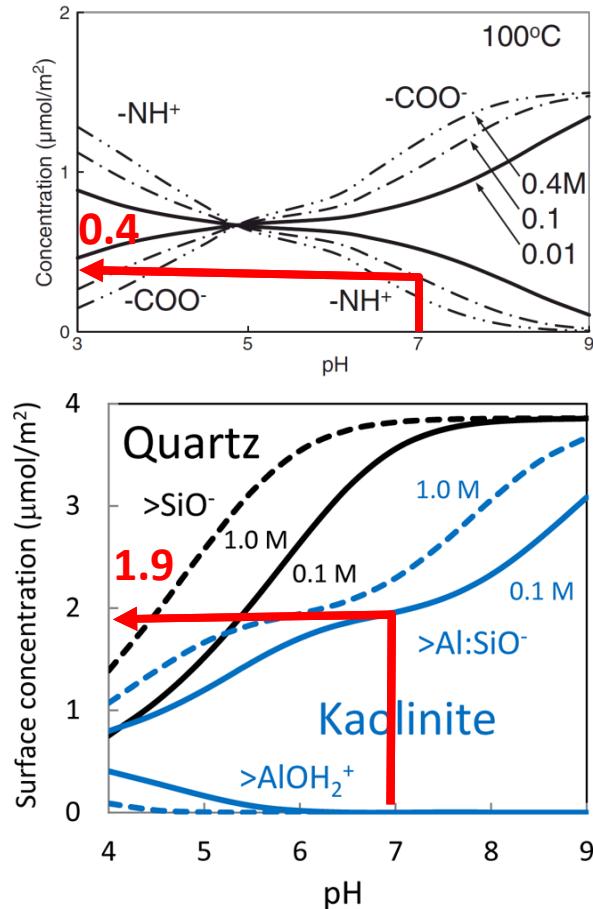


# How to Model Oil-Rock Adhesion?

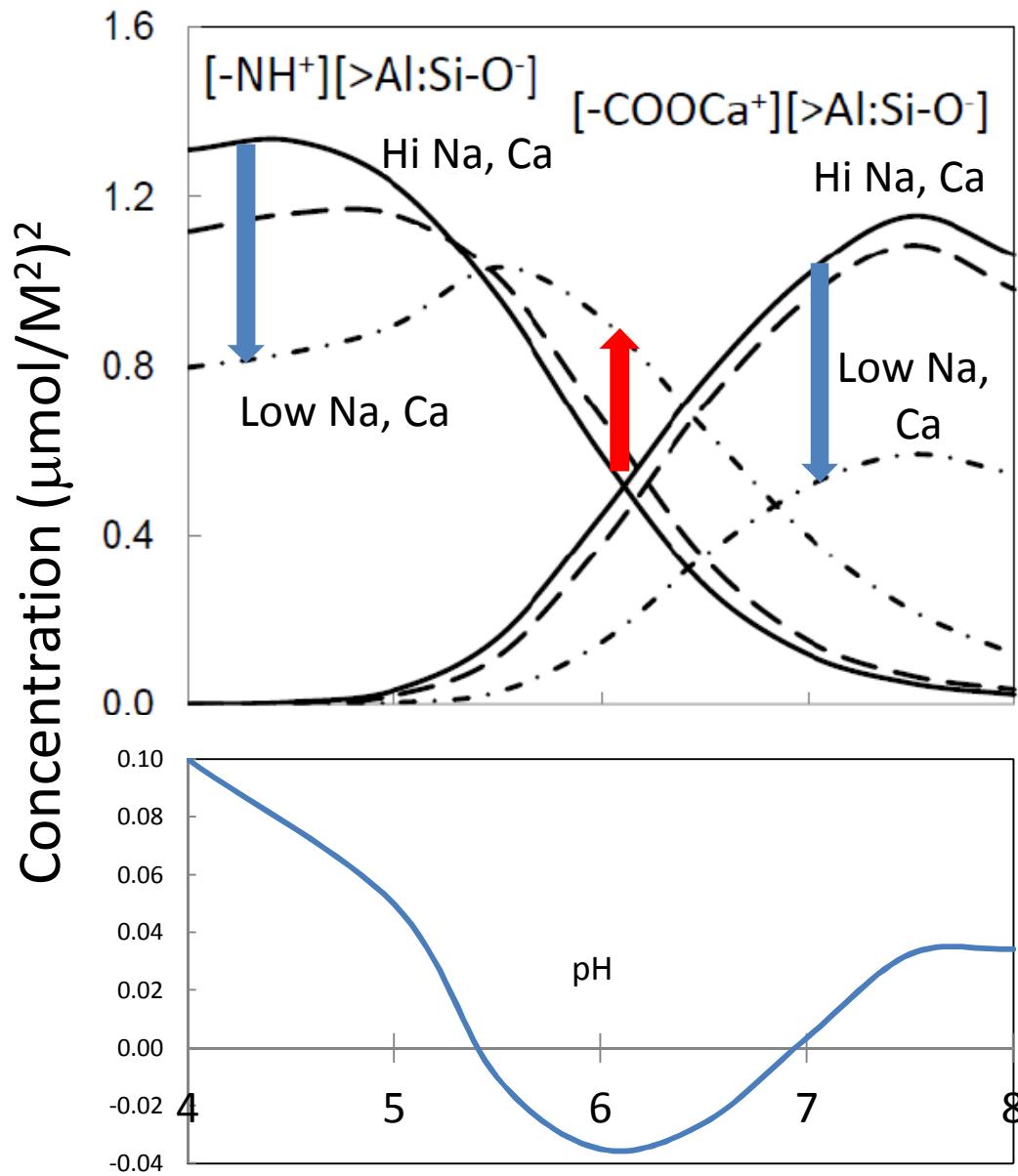
- Disjoining pressure
- Zeta potentials
- **Bond product sum**

Example: Oil- $\text{NH}^+$  to  
Kaolinite  $>\text{AlO}^-$ , pH 7, 0.1M NaCl,  
100°C.

$$\text{Bond product} = [-\text{NH}^+][>\text{AlO}^-] = 0.4 * 1.9 = 0.76 \text{ } (\mu\text{mol}/\text{M}^2)^2$$

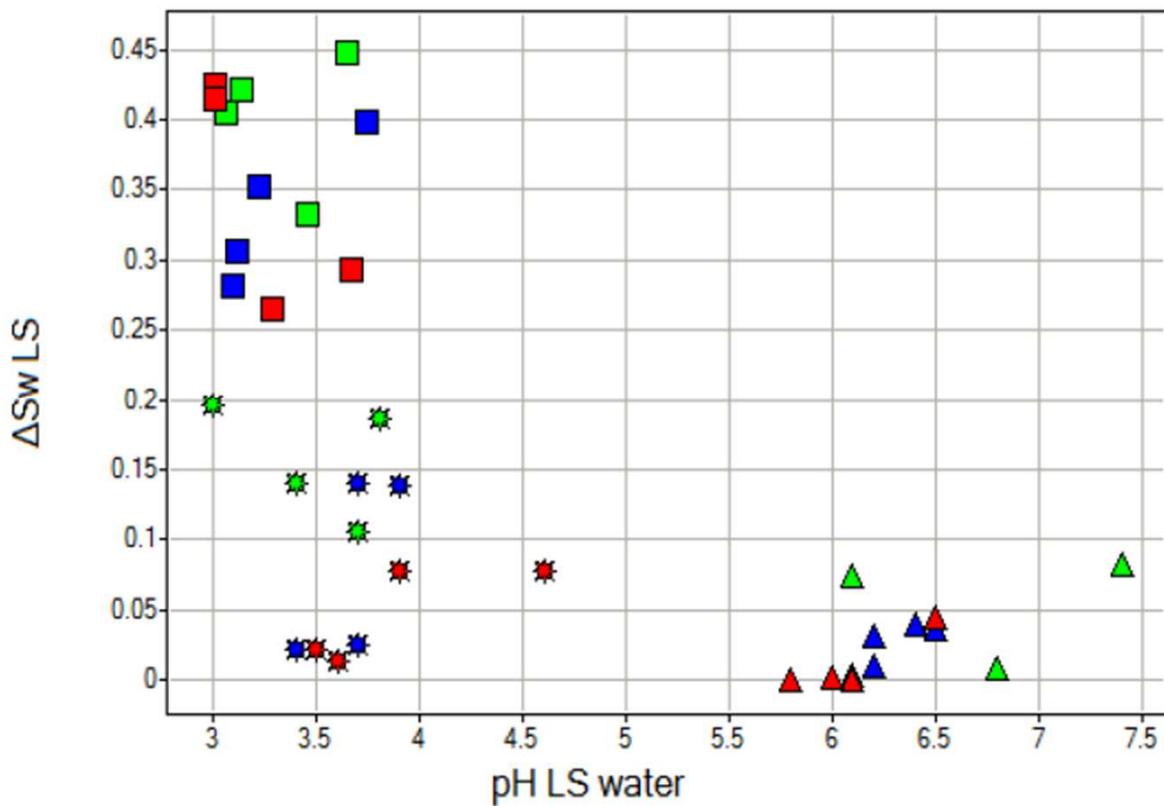
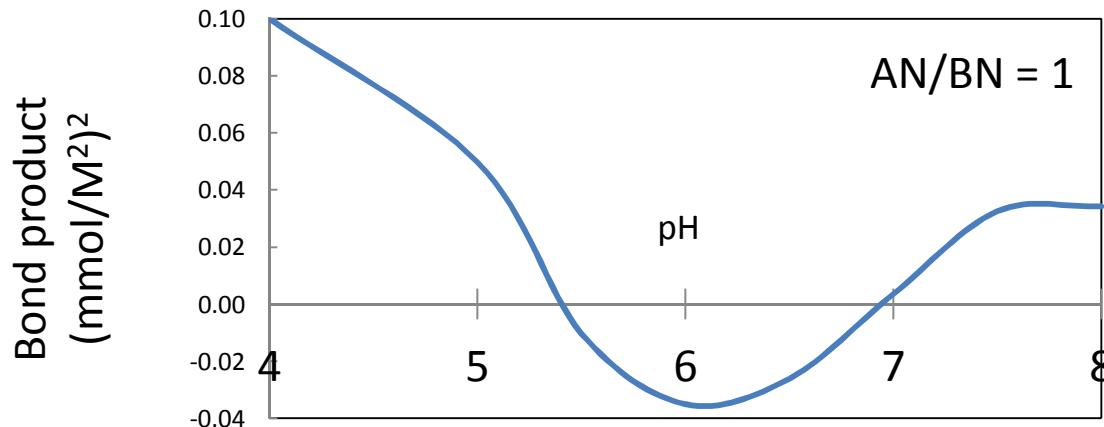


# Kaolinite-Oil Adhesion



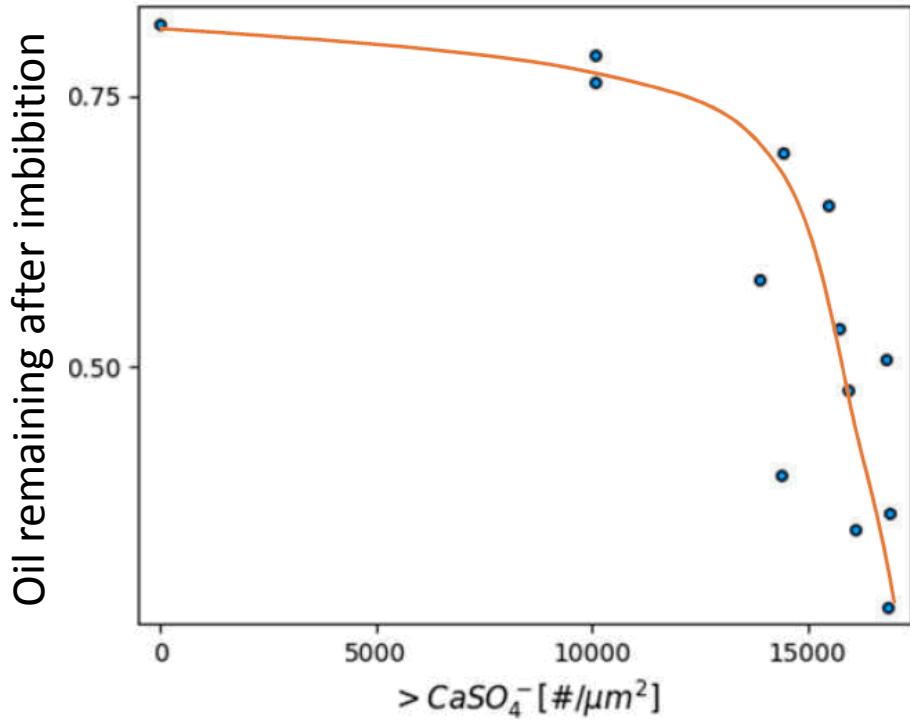
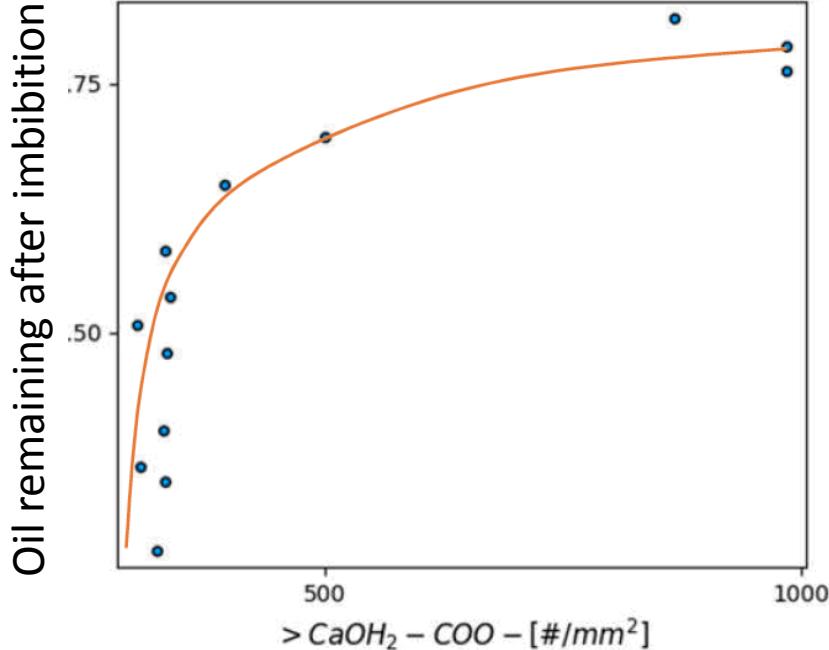
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←Desorption | Adhesion→  
←Water wet | Oil wet→

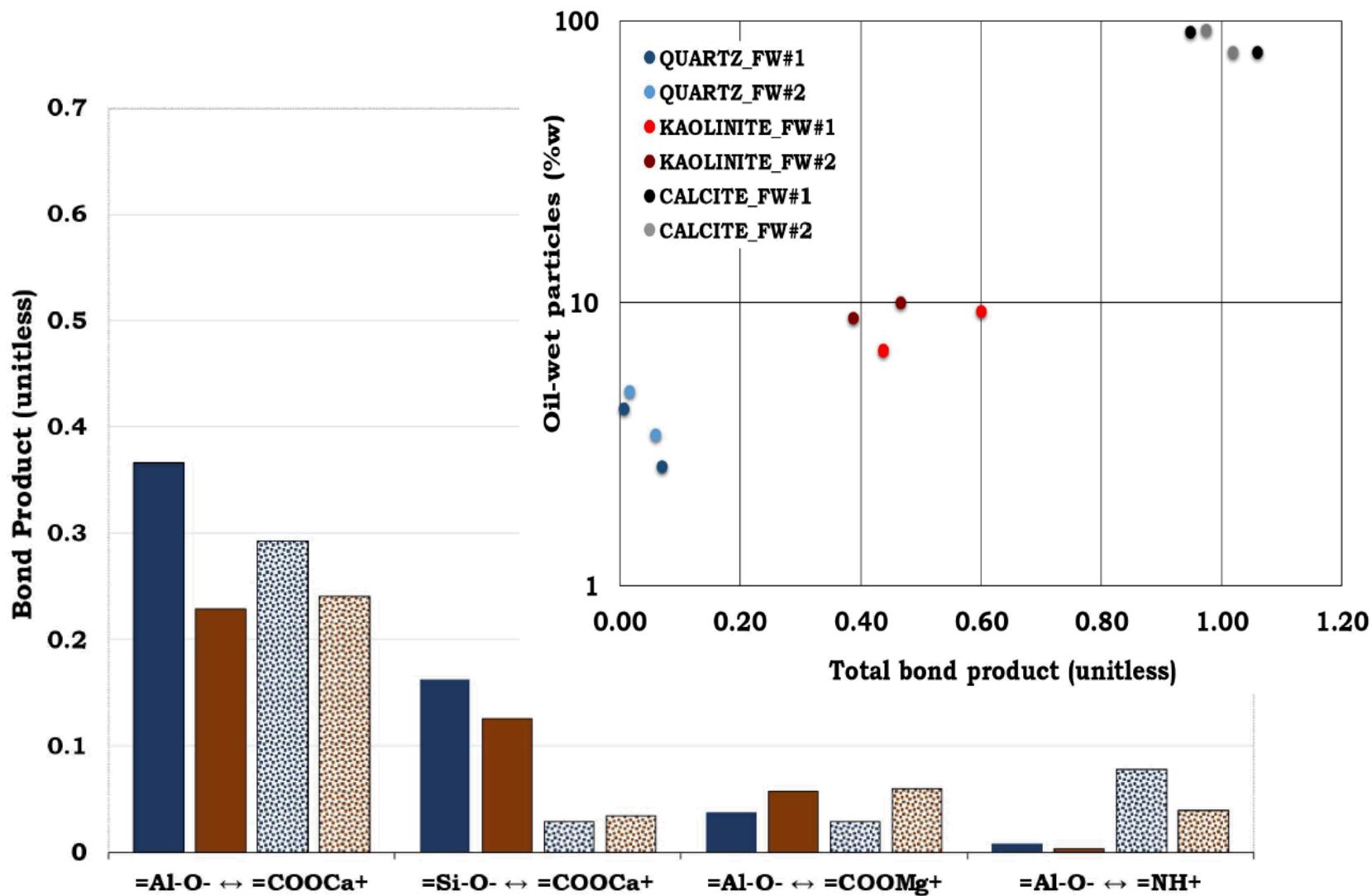


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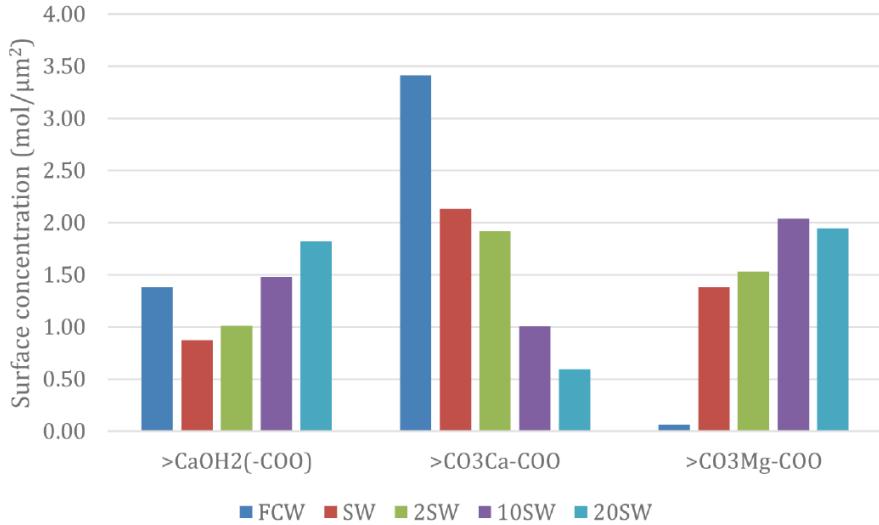
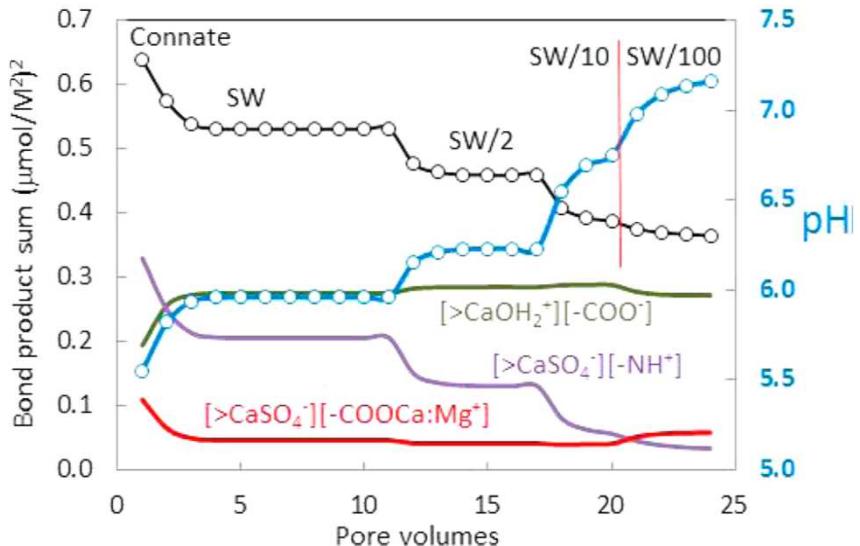
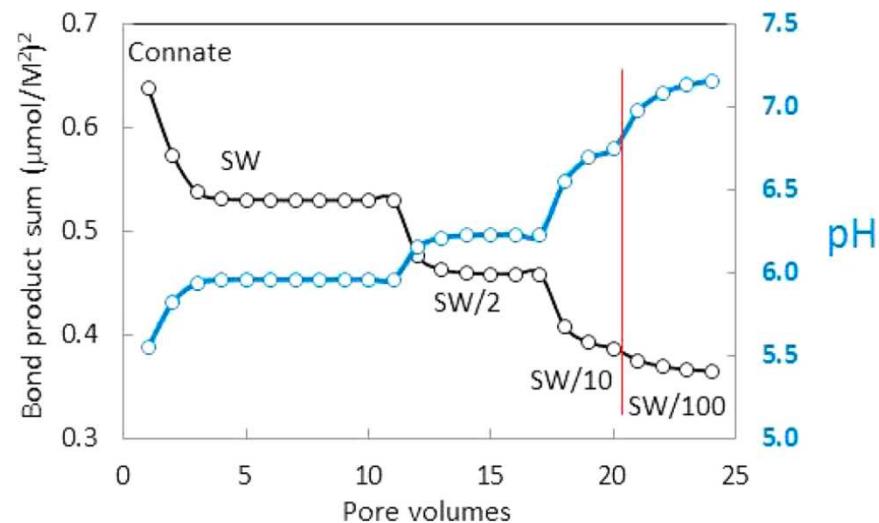


Figure 2—Calculated adsorbed carboxylic acid for brine in Yousef et al. (2010).

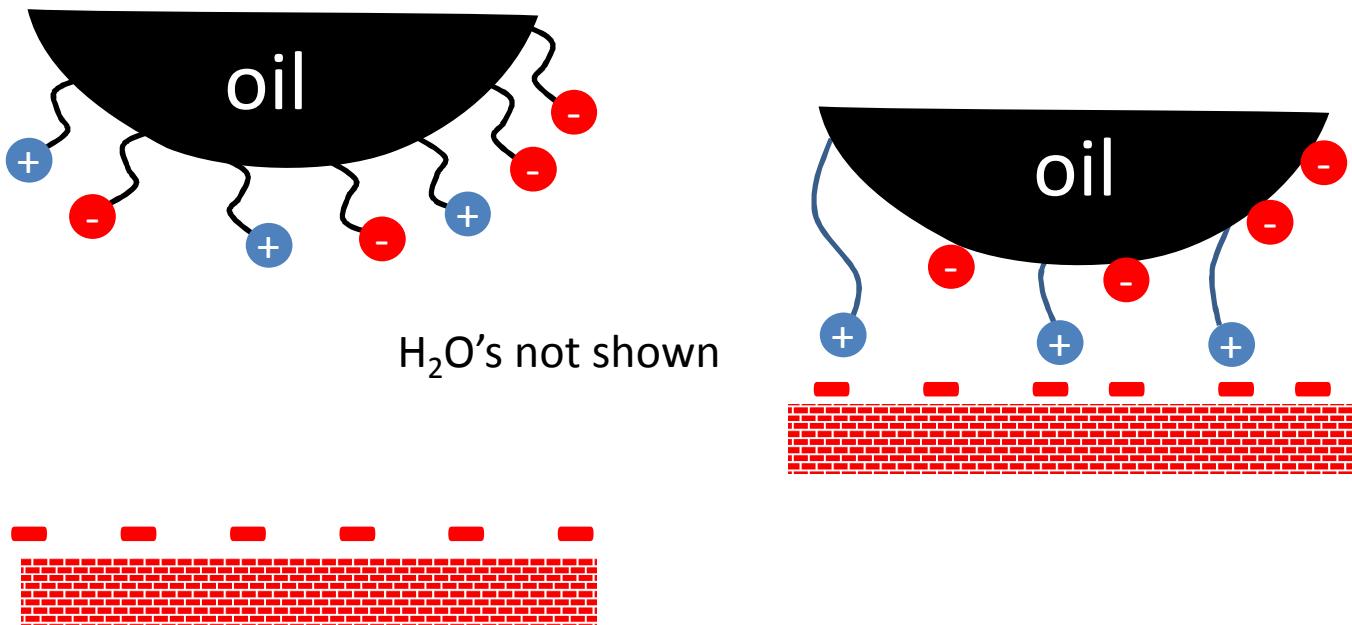
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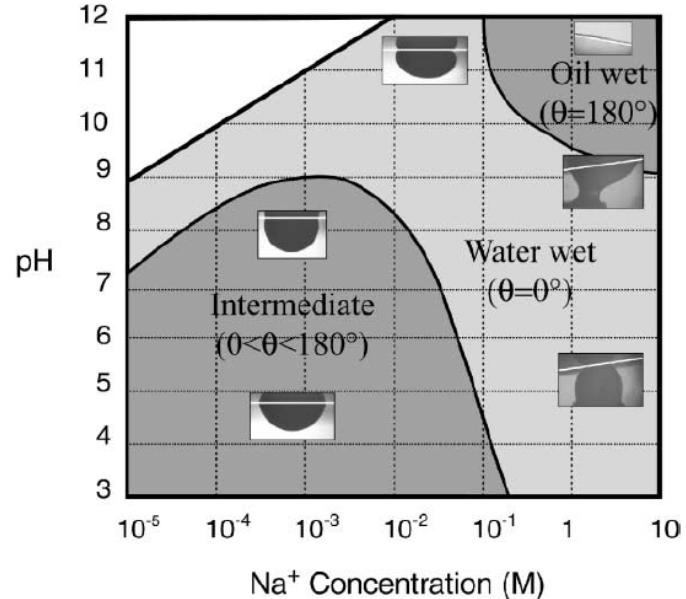
1. Smudged  $pK_a$ 's,
2. Self-association of acids and bases,
3. Other surface groups,
4. "Hairiness".



After Somasundaran et al., 1993 "Role of reformation of hairs in anomalous deposition of zwitterionic latex particles." *Colloids and Surfaces A: Physicochemical and Engineering Aspects* 142, no. 1: 83-89.

# Hairy DLVO

Drummond and Israelachvili (2004) "It is important to emphasize that the results obtained with this crude oil cannot be explained in terms of the DLVO theory alone, and it is necessary to invoke polymer-like steric and bridging interactions, to quantitatively describe the measured force profiles"

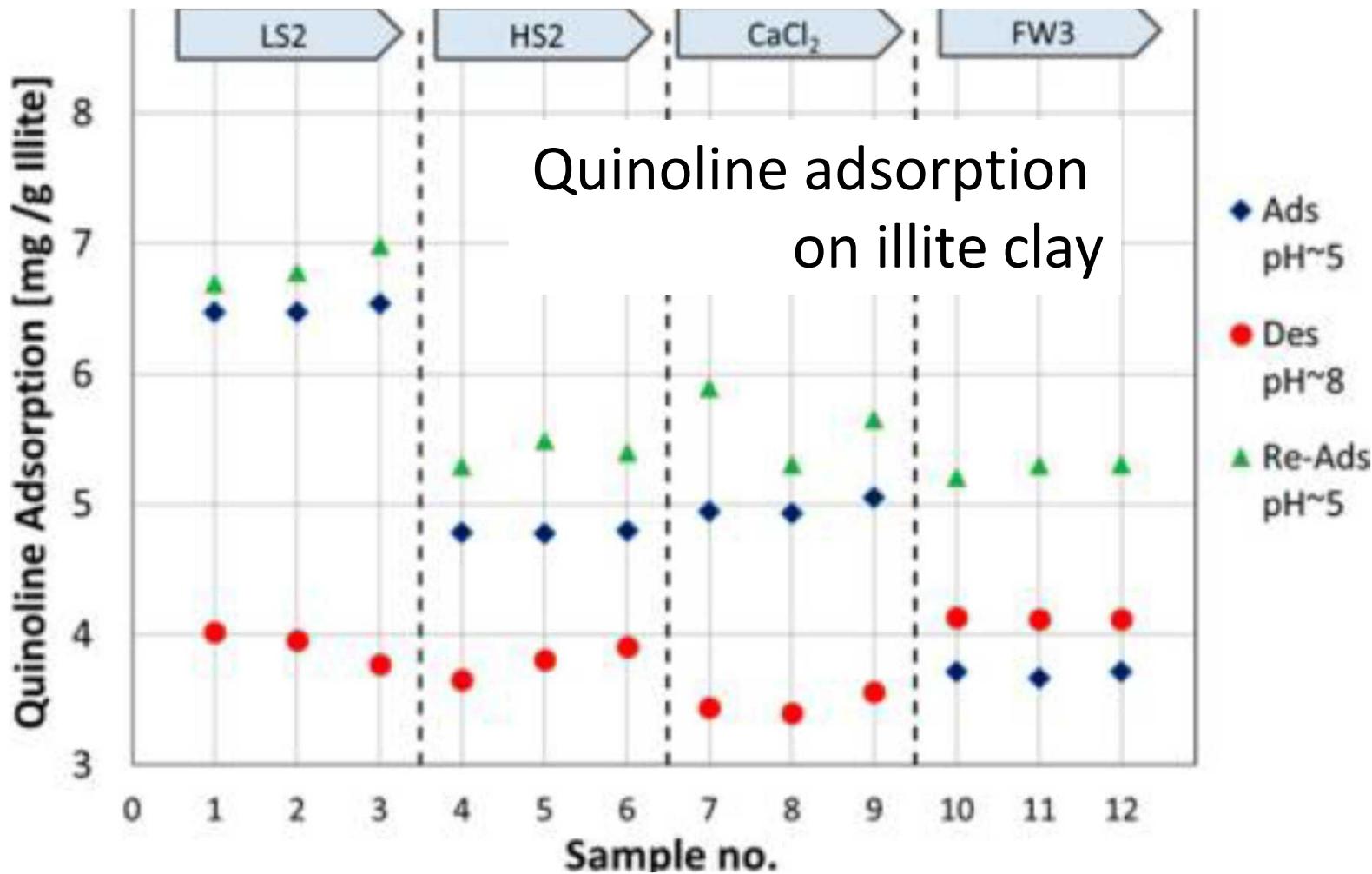


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Zeta Potentials tell only  
a small part of the  
story

## 5. Unconventional deposition of zwitterionic latex particles

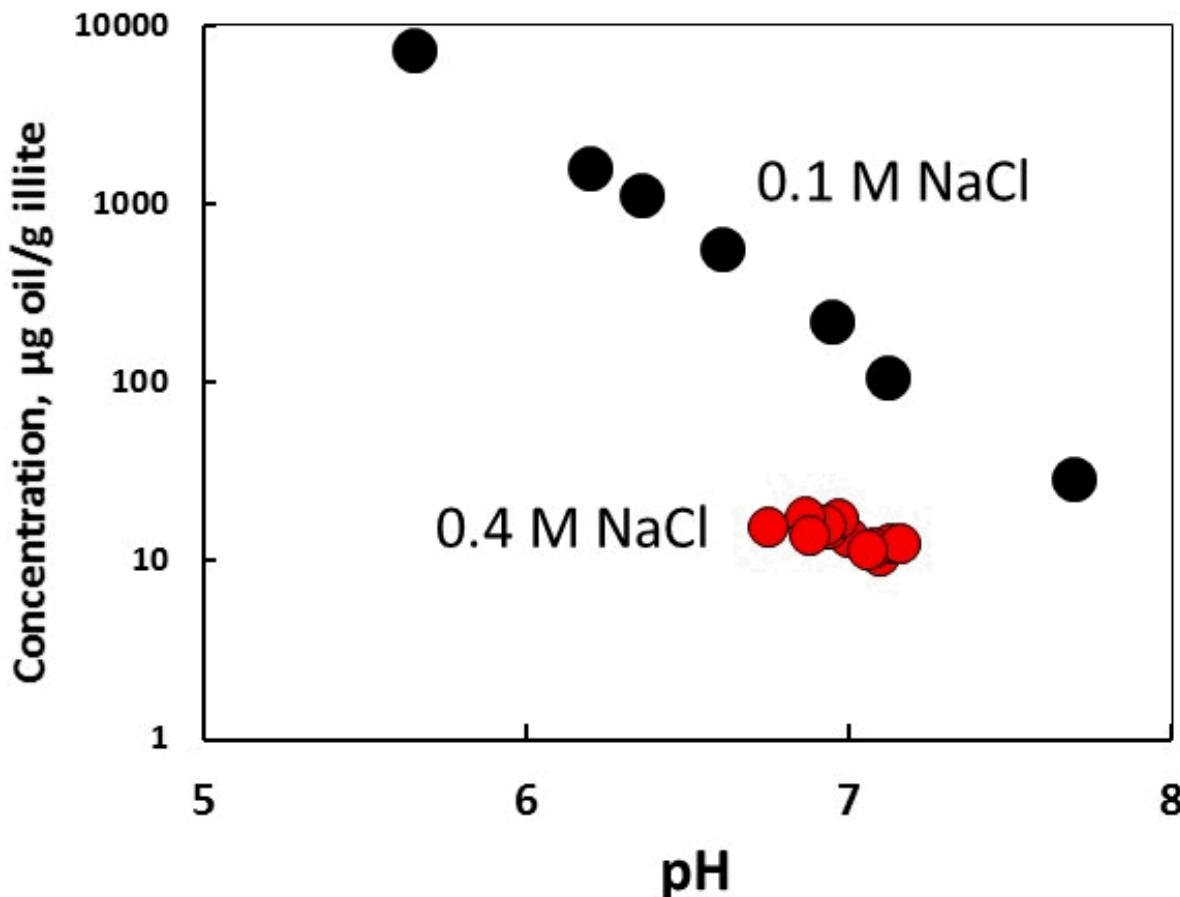
It is proposed that the deposition of the zwitterionic latex particles to be due to the rearrangement of the mixed charge groups present in the latex surface in such a manner that the positive charge sites are extended towards the glass surface and the negative ones retracted away from it. Thus even though the overall average zeta potential is negative, the hairy charges are proposed to reconfigure when the two surfaces begin to feel each other.



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# Oil Adsorption on Illite

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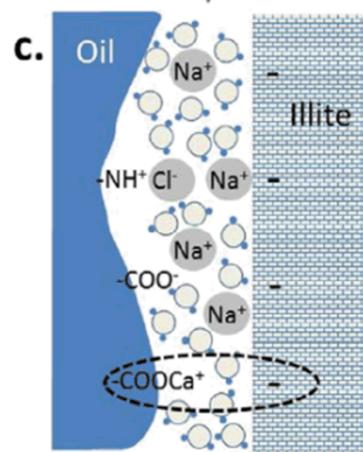
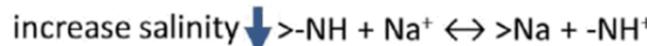
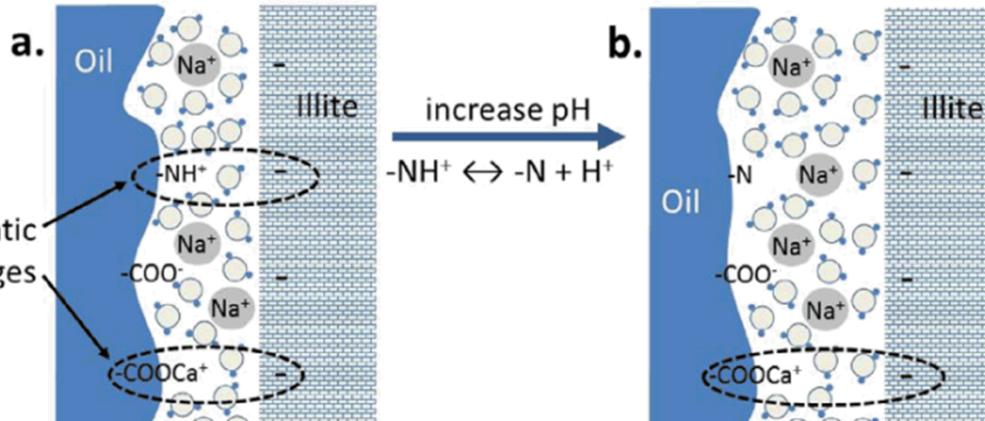
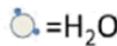
Both Oil and Illite have negative zeta potentials, but there is still sorption.

Decreased ionic strength thickens the double layer, but increases oil sorption.

Something besides classical DLVO is controlling wettability.

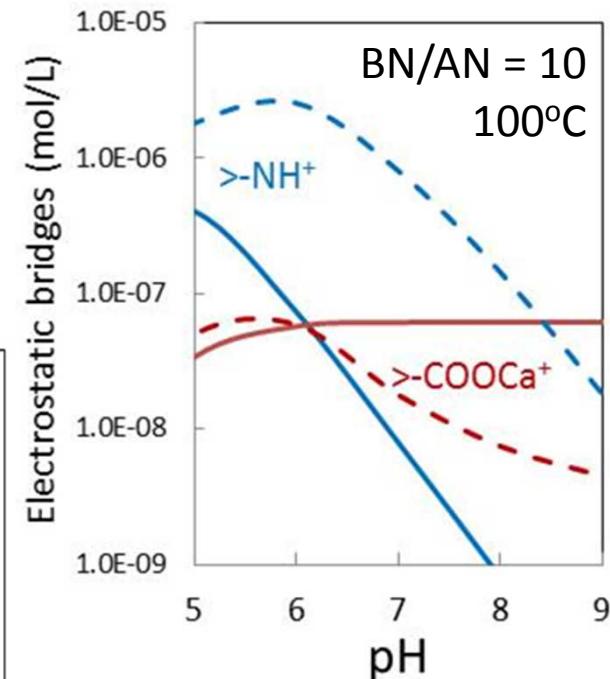
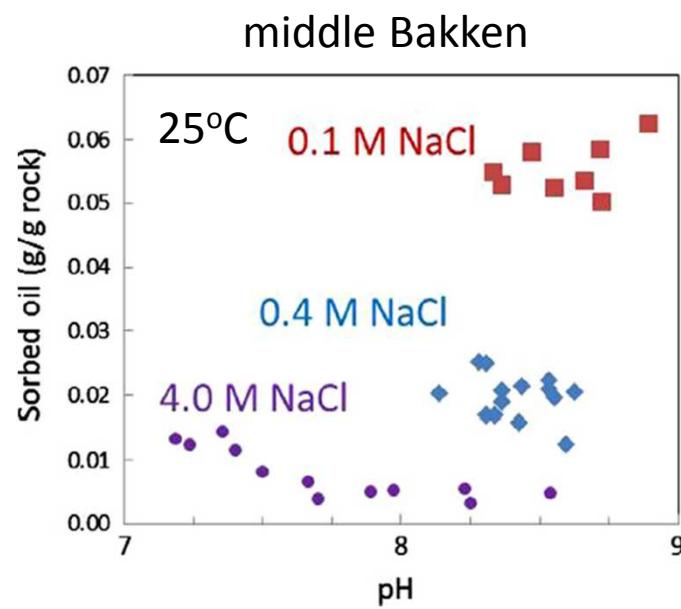
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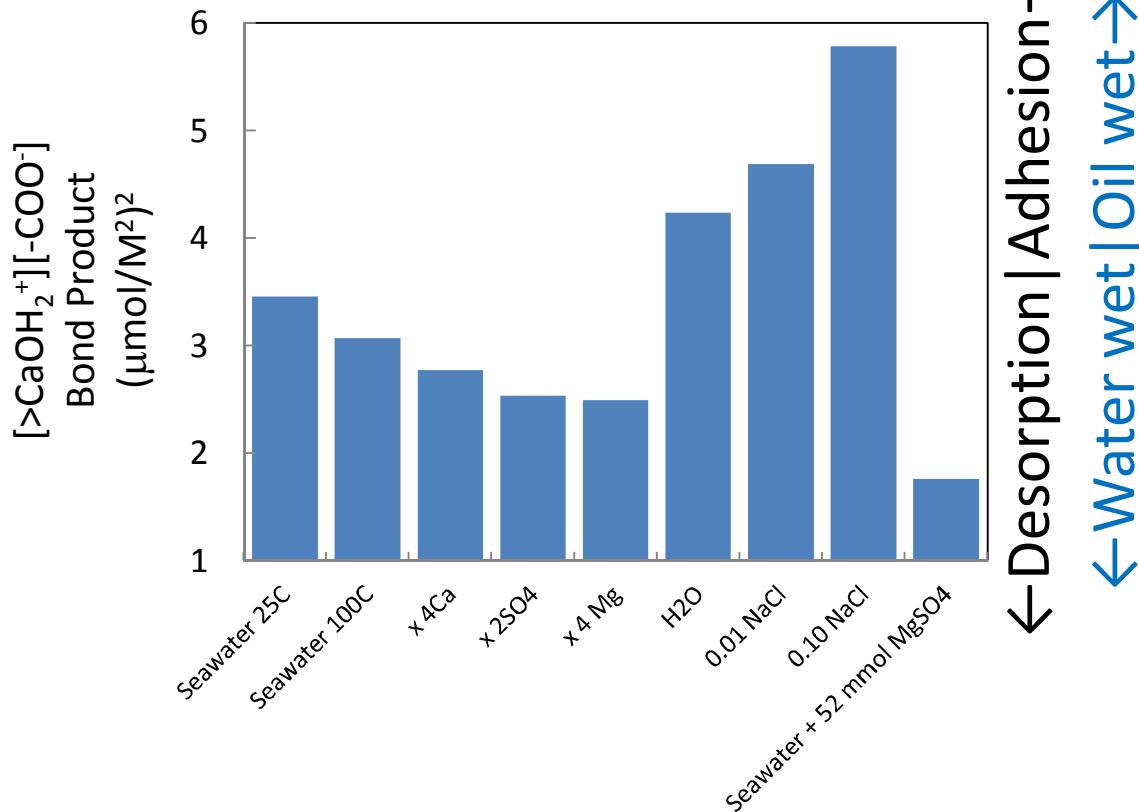
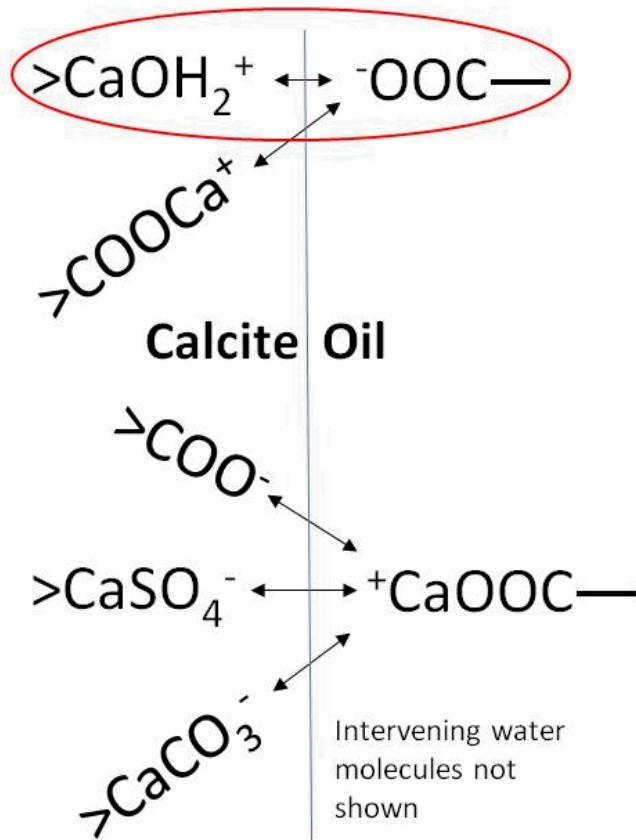
# Oil Adhesion to Tight Formations (Illite)



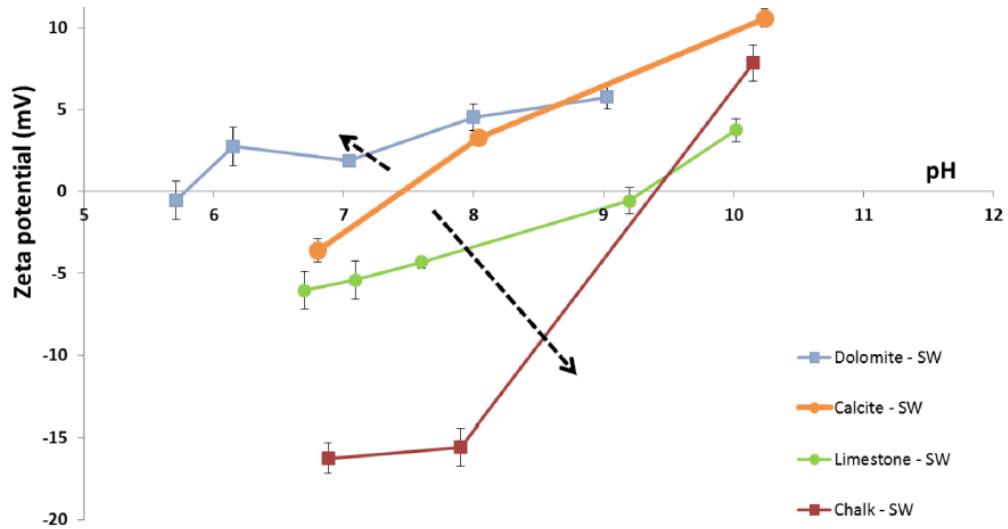
<sup>a</sup> Balance is mostly quartz or biogenic silica.

Basin	Production (mbbl/d)	% Carbonate	% Clay	% Kerogen	Dominant clay
Permian	2040	5-40	10-40	1-10	Illite
Bakken	1220	10-15	10-20	2-8	Illite
Eagle Ford	900	40-60	10-40	5-10	Smectite/illite/kaol.

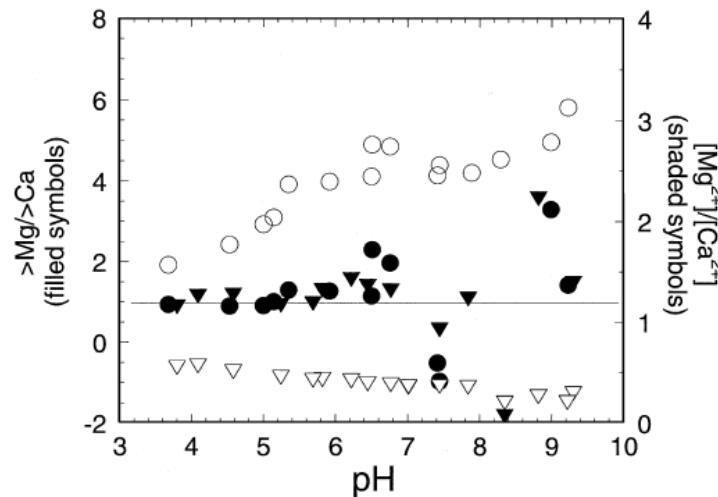
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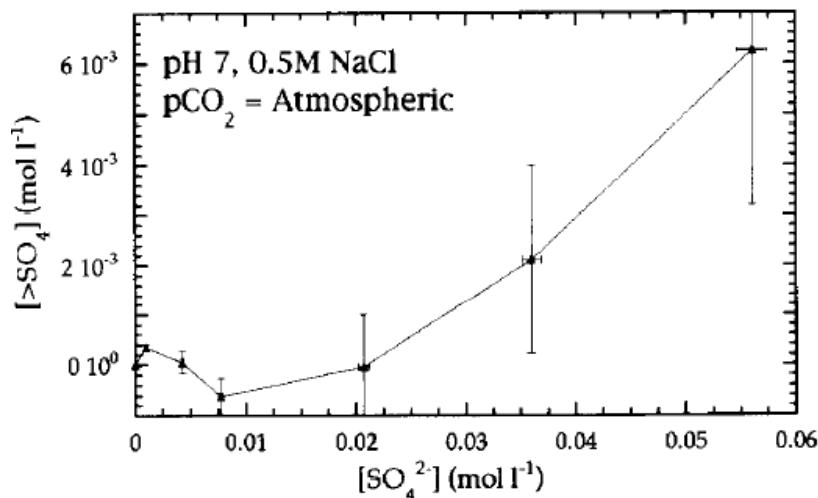
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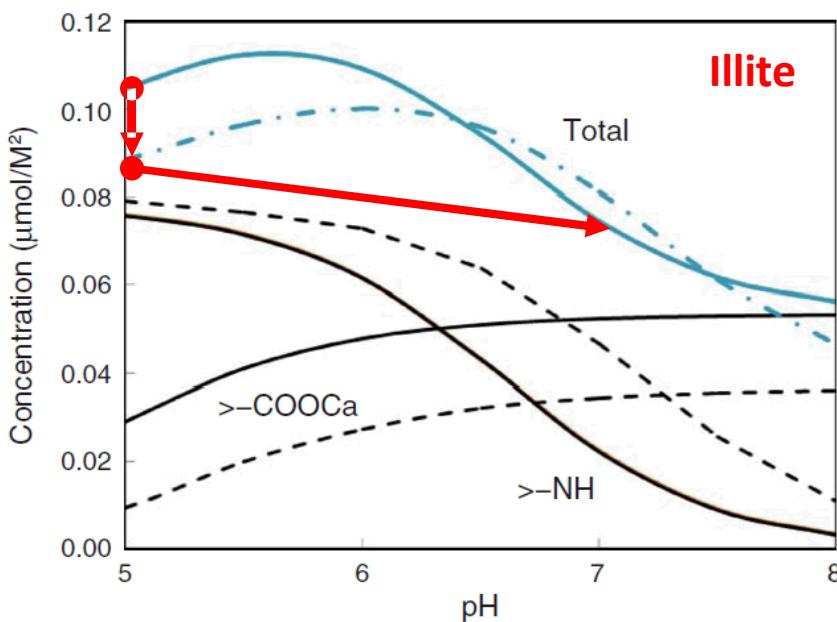
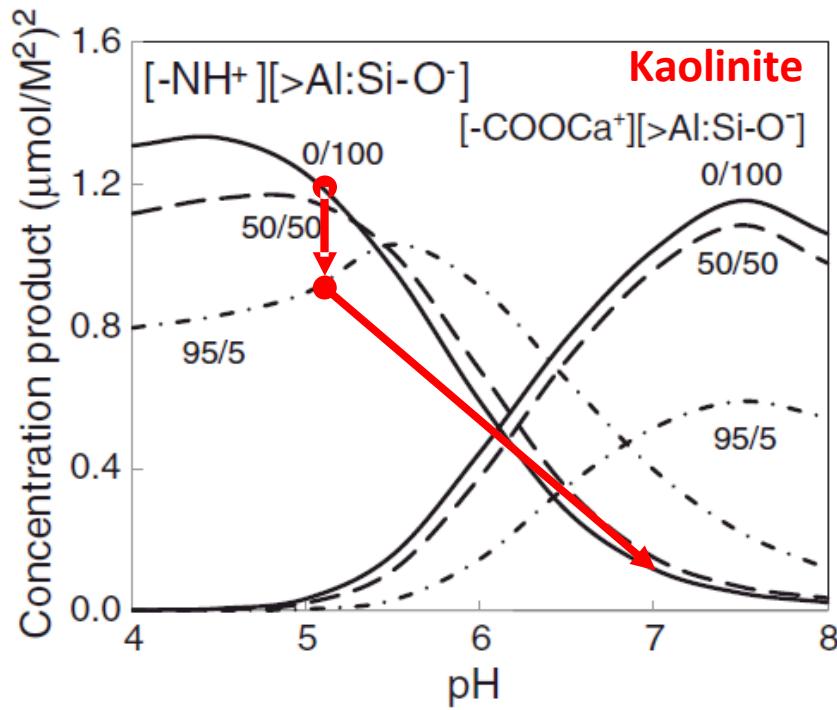
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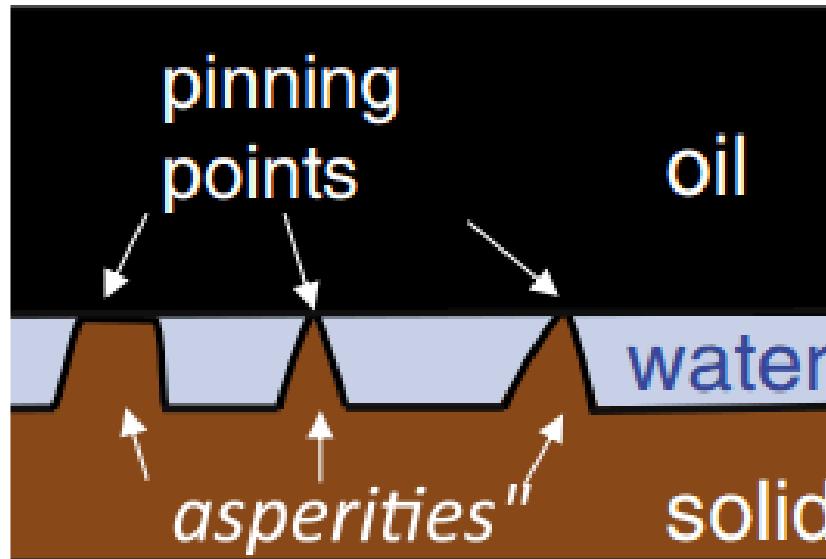
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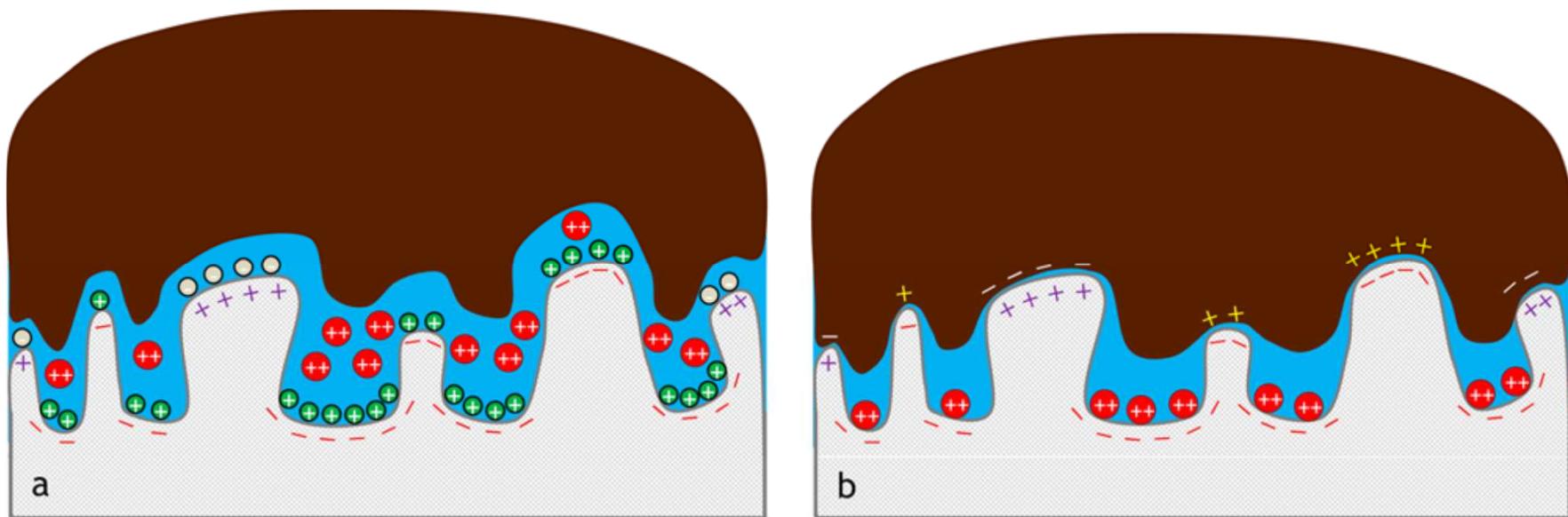
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Decreasing salinity increases pH which (usually) decreases the bond product, which usually makes more water wet, which usually means more oil.



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# Sandstone + Kaolinite + Calcite Cement at 60°C

