CHAPTER 6

RESULTS

6.1 General Characterization of Ball Clays

6.1.1 Chemical Composition

Table 6.1 Chemical Analysis of Ball Clays by XRF

Sample	•				% Ch	emica	al Ana	alysis		***	
name.		S10 ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	Fe ₂ O ₃	CaO	MgO	K ₂ O	Na ₂ O	P2O5	LOI.
MS	4	61.20	0.55	24.2	1.71	0.24	0.63	2.20	0.24	0.03	9.94
MVW	I	57.40	0.59	25.3	1.79	0.34	0.67	1.77	0.21	0.03	12.39
MT		64.90	0.66	21.5	2.37	0.22	0.61	2.01	0.24	0.03	7.44
SB-75	A	52.90	1,10	29.10	0.95	0.16	0.40	2.08	0.48	0.07	12.74
HVC	II	52.80	1.08	29.5	1.03	0.17	0.36	1.94	0.21	0.07	12.56
Rex		61.90	1.61	24.8	0.63	0.11	0.28	1.50	0.54	0.08	8.06
вв		58.10	1.64	26.1	0.89	0.15	0.35	1.16	0.13	0.08	10.77
JK		55.00	0.57	28.9	2.22	0.30	0.81	2.77	1.05	0.04	8.32
KK	III	49.70	0.63	32.2	2.48	0.30	0.52	2.38	0.09	-	11.60
wn		67.90	0.82	18.2	1.60	0.50	0.47	1.00	0.13	0.03	9.98
PC	•	48.90	0.87	29.6	2.89	0.48	0.86	1.90	0.16	0.05	13.89

-Results of chemical composition by XRF (X-ray fluoresence) tested by Clay & Minerals (Thailand) Ltd. laboratory.

6.1.2 Mineral Composition

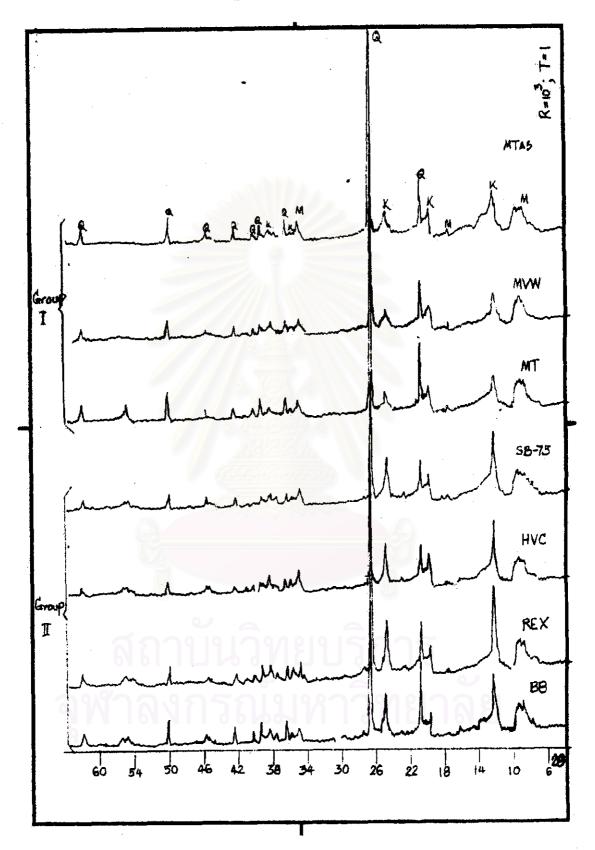


Fig. 6.1: XRD- patterns of Ball Clays Group I and II

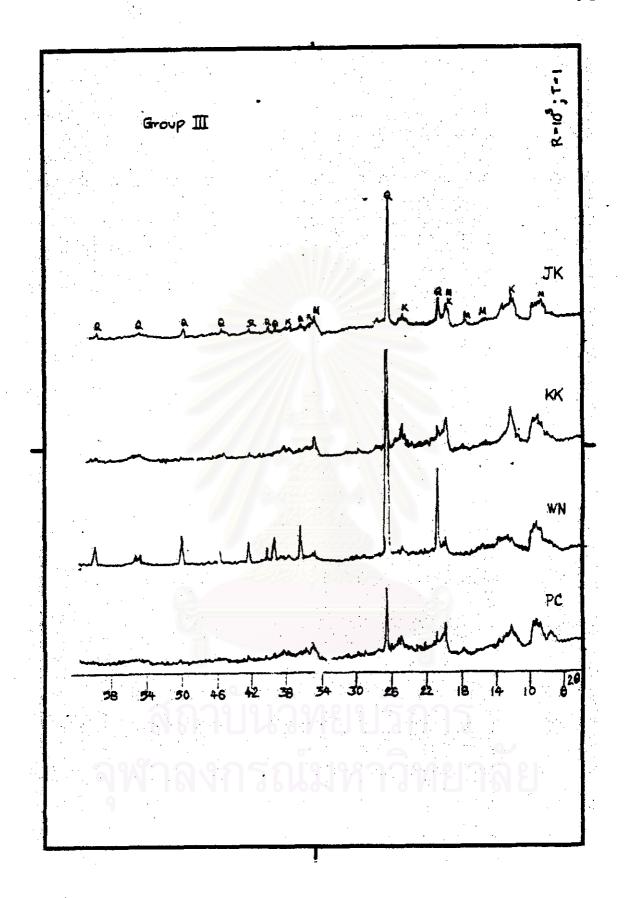


Fig.6.2: XRD-patterns of Ball Clays Group III

Table 6.2 Mineral Analysis of Ball Clays By XRD

MINERAL					SA	SAMPLES n in											
ANALYSIS %		1			п				ΙП								
	MS	MVW	мт	SB-75	нус	REX	ВВ	JK	KK	WN	PC						
Disordered Kaolinite	40	45	35	-	-	<u>-</u>	-	40	60	35	50						
Medium Disordered Kaolinite	-		•	50	55	45	55	-	-	_	-						
Moderately Crystalline Muscovite Mica	-	-/	-	-		_	11	-	-	-	-						
Poorly Crystalline Muscovite Mica	22	18	20	24	19	15	-	36	21	10	18						
Mixed Layer Mineral Expandable with Glycol	_			-	-	-	-	_	3	-	20						
Mixed Layer Mineral Partly Expandable with Glycol	3	3	/ <u>.</u> /		•	-	2	_	-	-	-						
Mixed Layer Mineral Non-expandable with Glycol		16.3 M	2	3	2	3	-	5	-	2	-						
Quartz	29	22	35	17	18	24	27	15	4	39	7						
Albite	-0		-	-		3		-	-	-	-						
Rutile	-	100	<u>V</u> I	1	91	2	2	_	-	-	-						
Anatase	-	18.6	0.	7	1	181	1 <u>6</u> 1	٤	-	_	-						
Total	94	88	92	95	95	92	97	96	88	86	95						

⁻ Results of mineral composition by XRD (X-ray diffraction) tested by WBB Laboratory; 29 November 1997.

6.1.3 Microstructure

6.1.3.1 Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM)

I. Ball Clays Group I; MS, MVW, MT

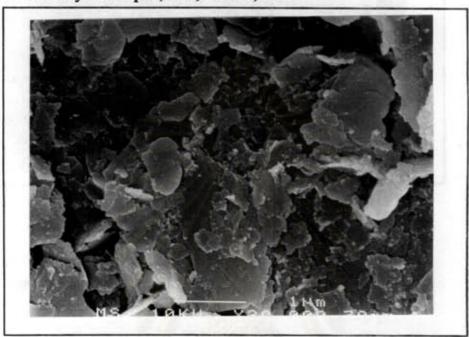


Fig. 6.3 SEM microstructure of MS (x 20,000)

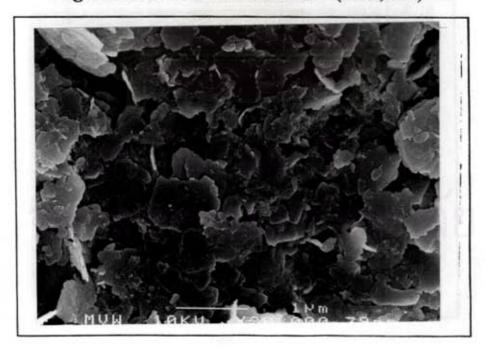


Fig. 6.4 SEM microstructure of MVW (x 20,000)

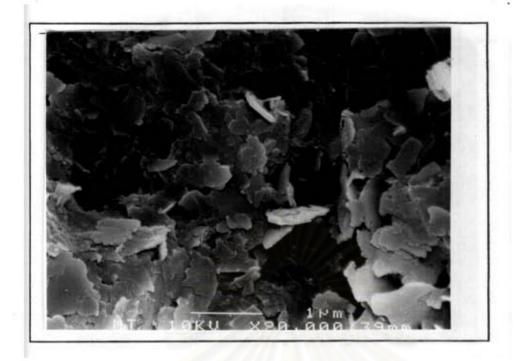


Fig. 6.5 SEM microstructure of MT (x 20,000)

II. Ball Clays Group II; SB-75, HVC, REX, BB

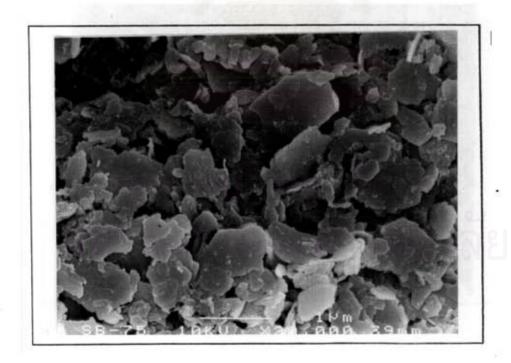


Fig. 6.6 SEM microstructure of SB-75 (x 20,000)

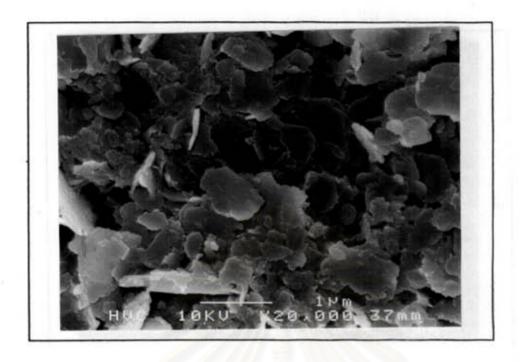


Fig. 6.7 SEM microstructure of HVC (x 20,000)

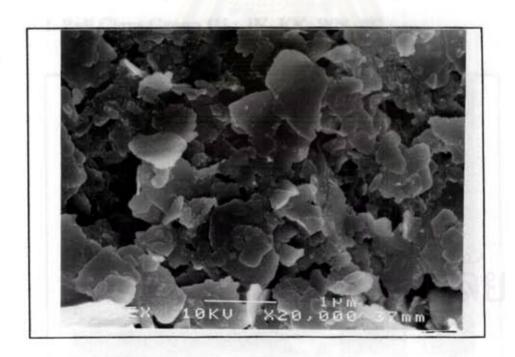


Fig. 6.8 SEM microstructure of REX (x 20,000)

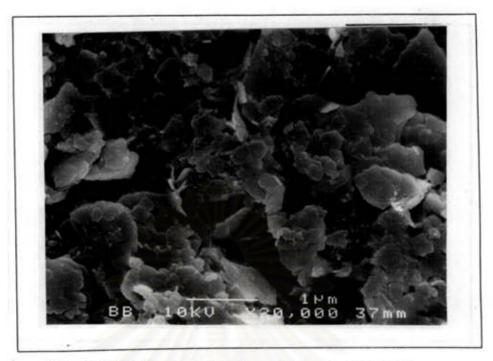


Fig. 6.9 SEM microstructure of BB (x 20,000)

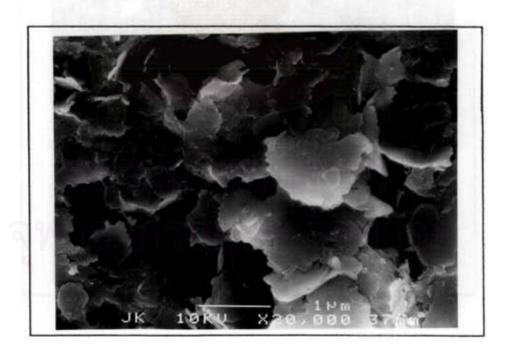


Fig. 6.10 SEM microstructure of JK (x 20,000)

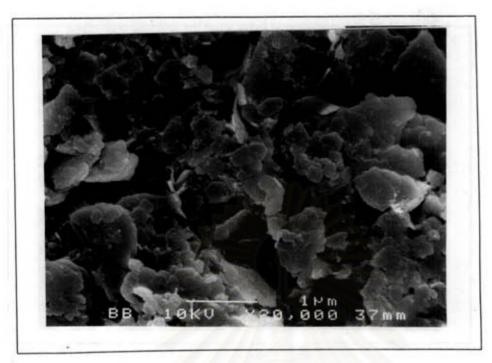


Fig. 6.9 SEM microstructure of BB (x 20,000)

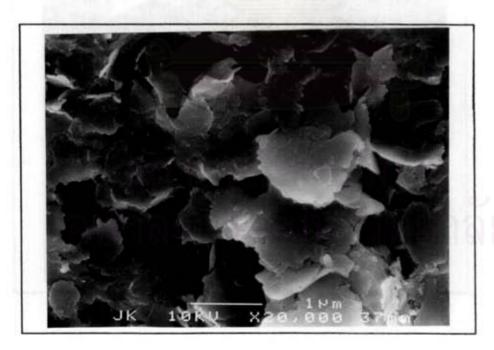


Fig. 6.12 SEM microstructure of WN (x 20,000)

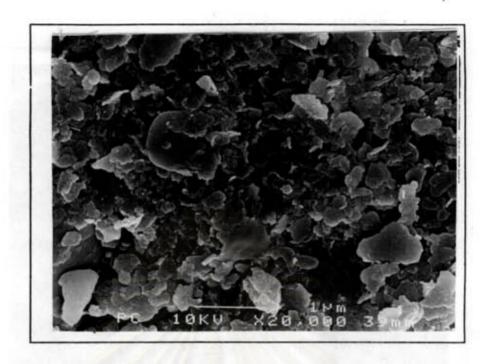


Fig. 6.13 SEM microstructure of PC (x 20,000)

6.1.3.2 Transmitted Electron Microscope (TEM

I. Ball Clays Group I; MS, MVW, MT

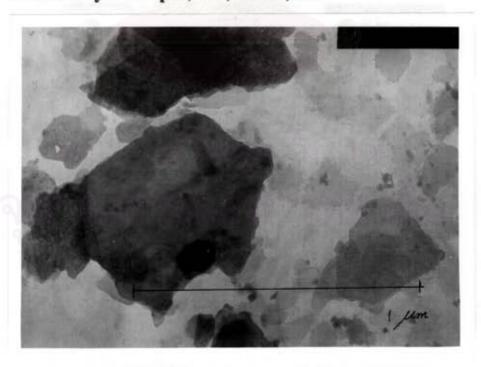


Fig. 6.14 TEM microstructure of MS (x 75,000)

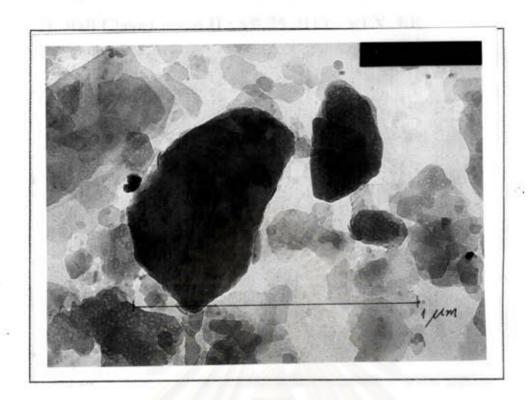


Fig. 6.15 TEM microstructure of MVW (x 75,000)

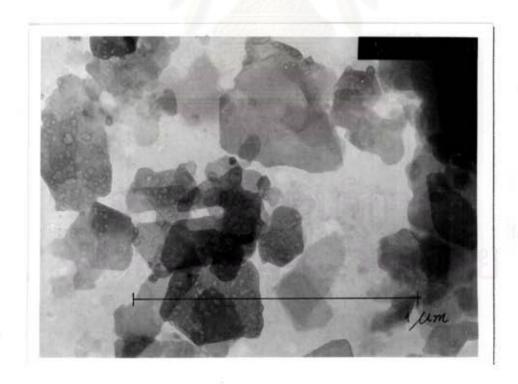


Fig. 6.16 TEM Microstructure of MT (x 75,000)

II. Ball Clays Group II; SB-75, HVC, REX, BB

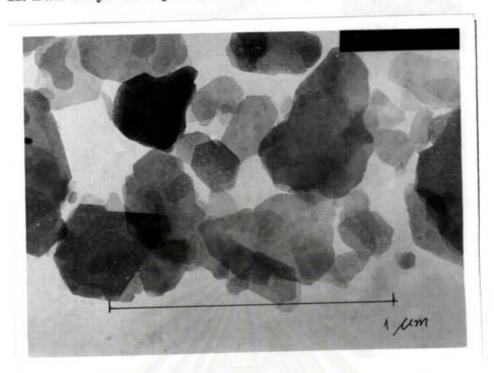


Fig. 6.17 TEM microstructure of SB-75 (x 75,000)

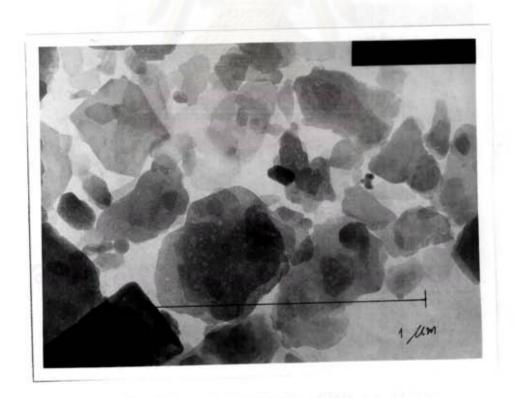


Fig. 6.18 TEM Microstructure of HVC (x 75,000)

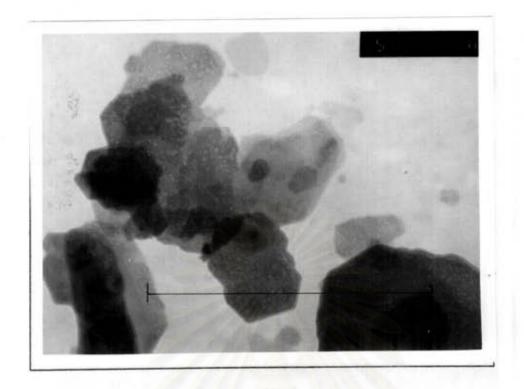


Fig. 6.19 TEM microstructure of REX (x 75,000)

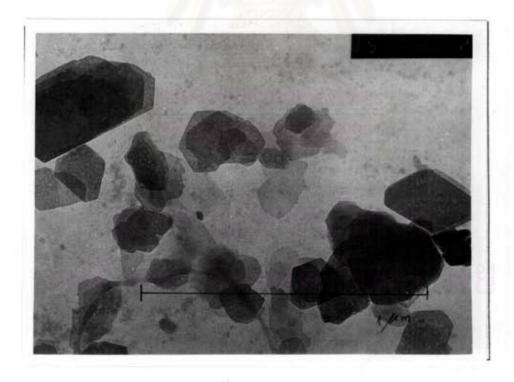


Fig. 6.20 TEM microstructure of BB (x 75,000)

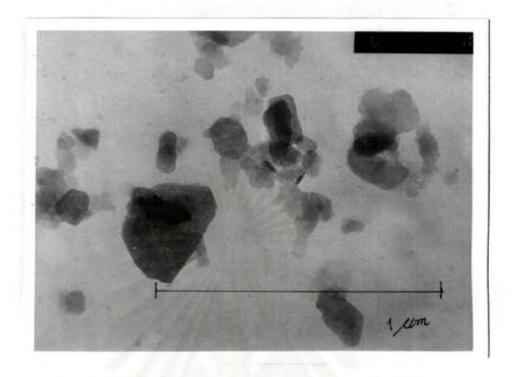


Fig. 6.21 TEM microstructure of JK (x 75,000)

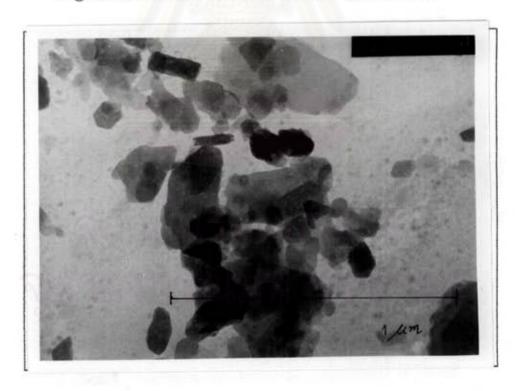


Fig. 6.22 TEM microstructure of KK (x 75,000)

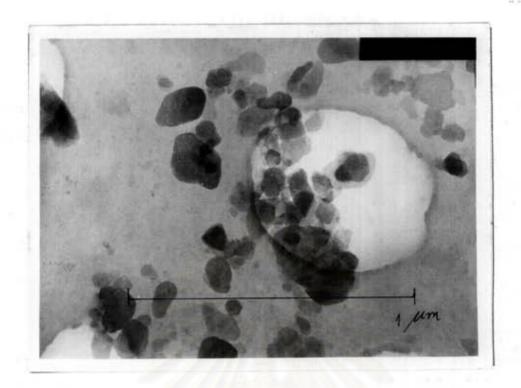


Fig. 6.23 TEM microstructure of WN (x 75,000)

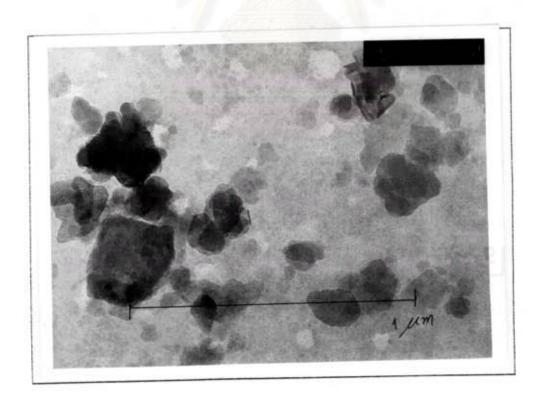


Fig. 6.24 TEM microstructure of PC (x 75,000)

6.1.4 Particle Size Distribution

Table 6.3 Particle Size Analysis of Ball Clays

Particle Size Analysis (%)		MS	MVW	мт	SB-75	HVC	REX	ВВ	JK	кк	wn
		-	<u> </u>	—	-	11		-		111	
Screen	120#	2.18	1.50	2.71	0.25	3.66	0.50	2.80	1.24	1.20	2.39
residue on	200#	2.84	2.91	4.25	0.69	5.12	1.90	4.70	1.46	1.44	5.49
(%)	325#	3.61	4.27	5.94	1.42	6.22	5.70	9.20	1.61	1.62	9.25
Particle	- 20µm.	98.8	96.1	95.8	97.8	97.4	88.0	82.5	98.7	98.9	95.3
size (%)				7							
Equivalent	- 10µm.	95.7	92.1	90.0	94.7	93.2	84.5	72.5	96.9	97.6	88.5
Spherrical	- 5µш.	89.2	85.9	80.0	90.0	85.1	76.0	58.5	94.1	96.3	79.1
Diameter	- 2μ	67.1	71.1	57.0	78.5	67.8	61.1	51.1	84.4	91.2	65.3
(esd)	- 1μ	50.3	57.7	42.0	70.0	56.8	38.1	39.1	72.3	85.4	57.5
	- 0.5µ	35.6	42.6	29.5	56.5	41.3	31.1	35.1	56.1	75.0	50.7
	- 0.2µ	15.8	19.5	12.7	28.8	17.7	18.1	21.1	28.1	47.9	35.3

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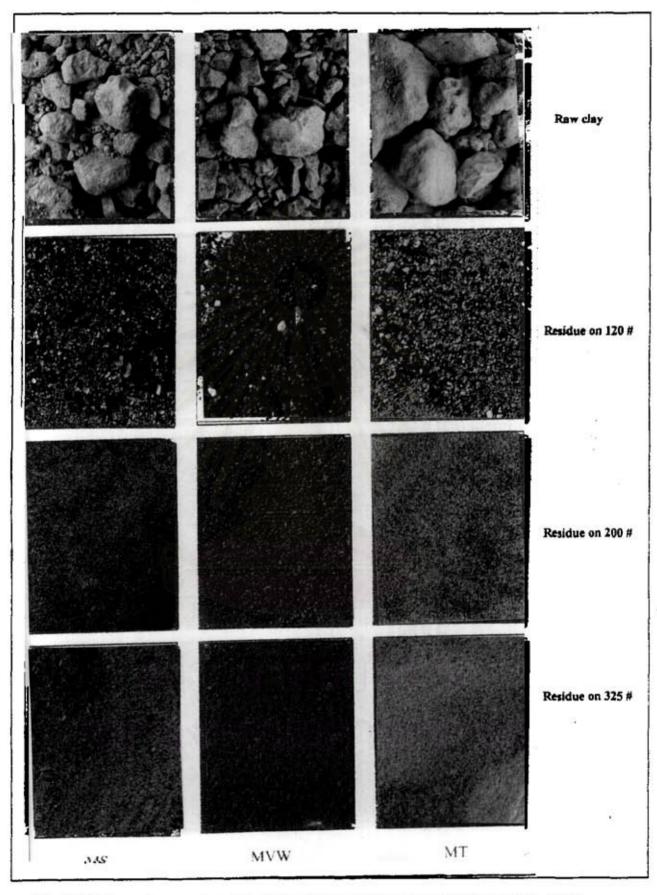


Fig.6.25 Raw clays and residue of ball clays in group I (MS, MVW, MT)

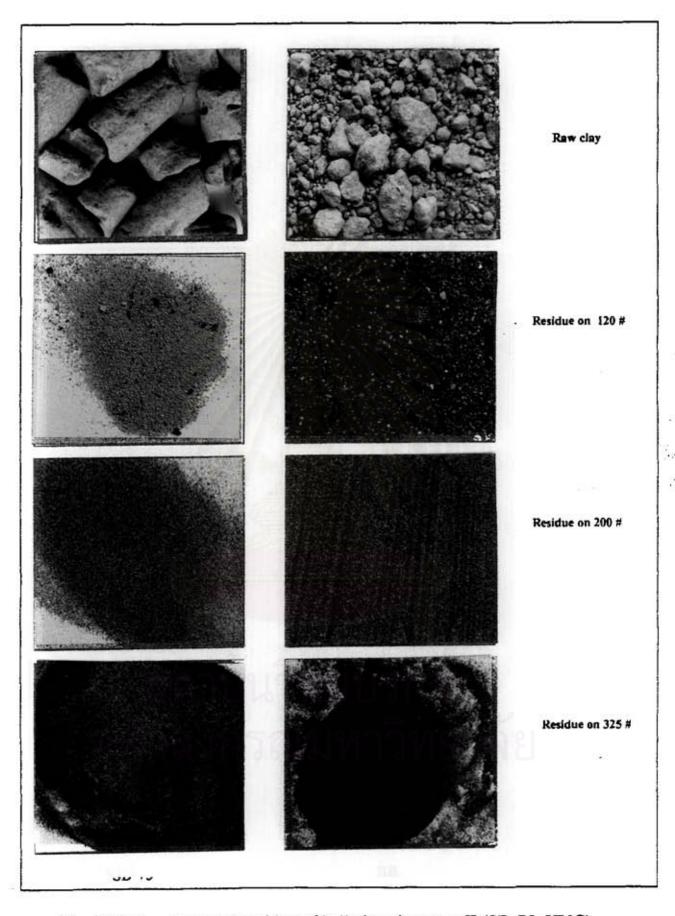


Fig.6.26 Raw clays and residue of ball clays in group II (SB-75, HVC)

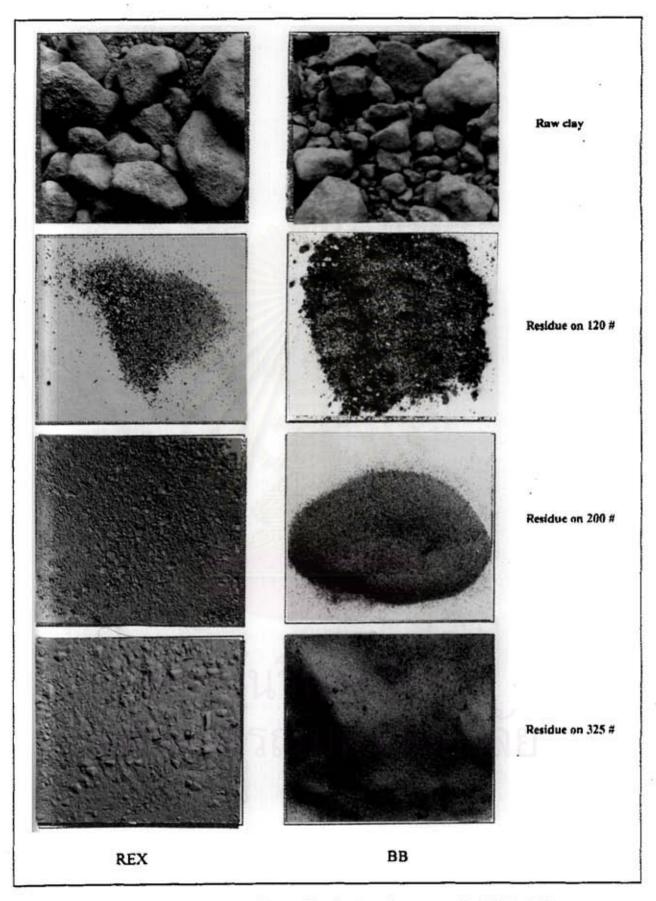


Fig.6.27 Raw clays and residue of ball clays in group II (REX, BB)

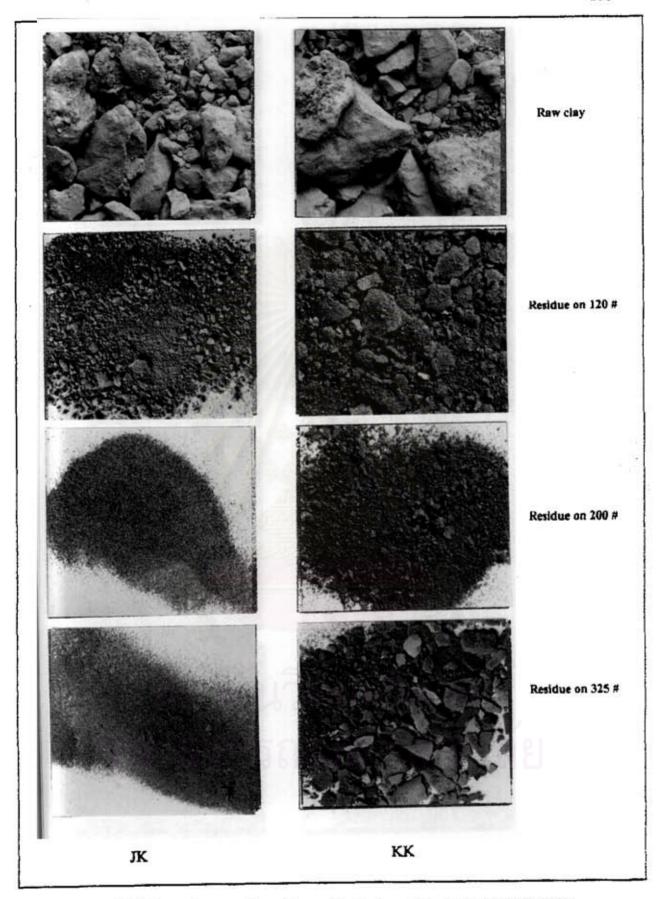


Fig.6.28 Raw clays and residue of ball clays in group III (JK, KK)

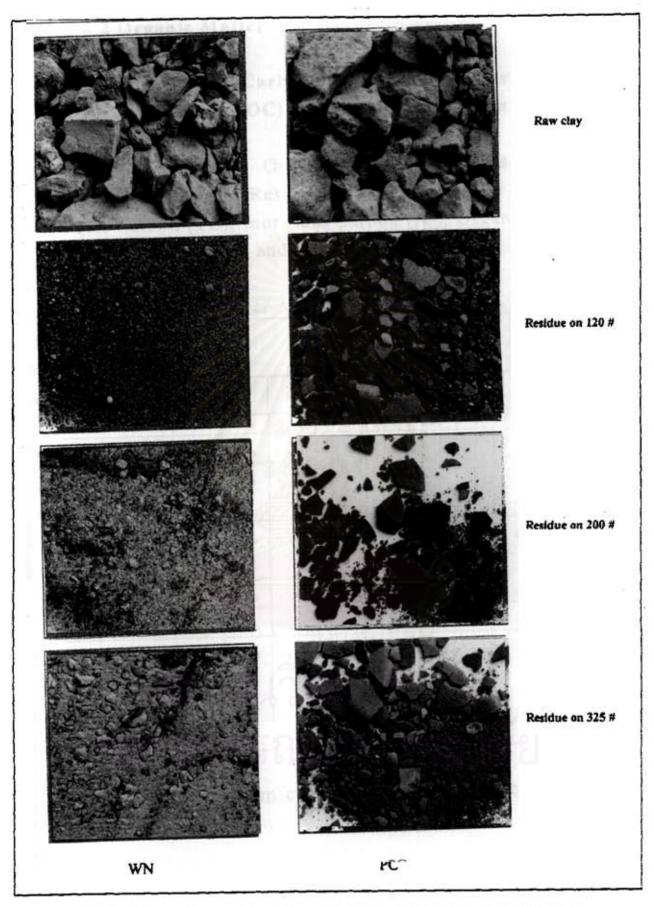


Fig.6.29 Raw clays and residue of ball clays in group III (WN, PC)

6.2 Organic Matter

6.2.1 Total Carbon (TC), Inorganic Carbon (IC) and Organic Carbon (OC) by Leco EC-12 Carbon Analyser

-Results of Organic Matter contents from the Department of Mineral Resources can be illustrated in the terms of Total Carbon (TC), Inorganic Carbon (IC), Organic Carbon, Extractable Humic acid and β -humus.

Table 6.4 Organic Matter Analysis of Ball Clays

ORGANIC MATTER		SAMPLES													
ANALYSE %		1	19.40		п				111						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	MS	MVW	мт	SH-75	HVC	HEX	98	1K	KK	WM	PC				
TotalCarbon (TC)	1.102	2.790	0,434	2.690	2.080	0.116	1.272	0.138	1,659	1.913	1.953				
Inorganic Carbon (IC)	0.014	0.670	0.016	0.050	0.060	0.021	0.020	0.003	0.085	0.005	0.066				
Organic Carbon (OC)	1,088	2,120	0.418	2.630	2.020	0.095	1.252	0.135	1.574	1.908	1.887				
Humic acid	0.103	0.274	0.058	0.996	0.510	0.015	0.981	0.058	0.252	0.308	0.216				
β-humus	0.059	0.099	0.045	0.096	0.190	0.077	0.270	0.077	0.761	0.863	0.26				
% humic subs. (humic acid & β-humus) by	14.89	17.59	24.64	41.52	34.65	96,84	99.92	100.0	64.36	61.37	25.5				
Organic Carbon	10.9	വട	<u>ומי</u>	4 19.8	مط	940	عمل	101		<u> </u>					

Remark: Color of Humic acid is brownish black; β -humus is light brown.

Extractable Humic Substance of Ball Clay.

I.Ball Clays Group I; MS, MVW, MT

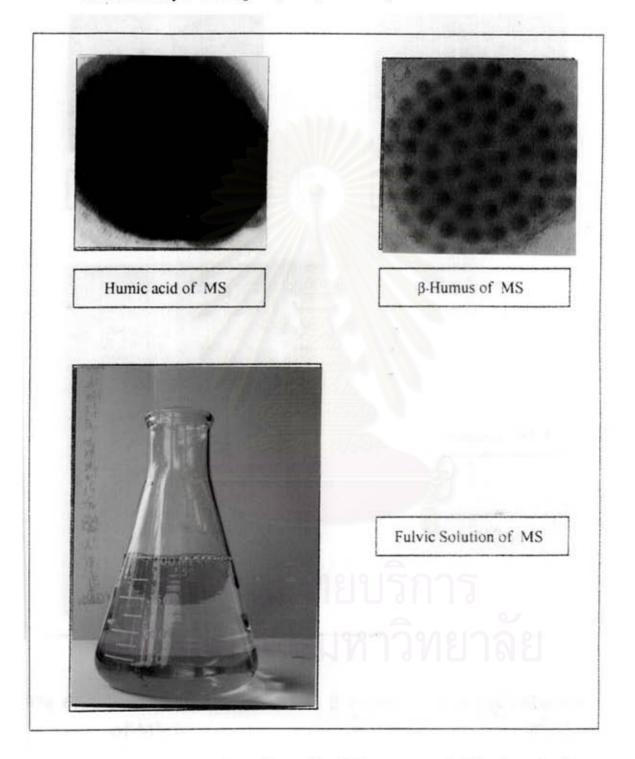


Fig.6.30 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of MS.

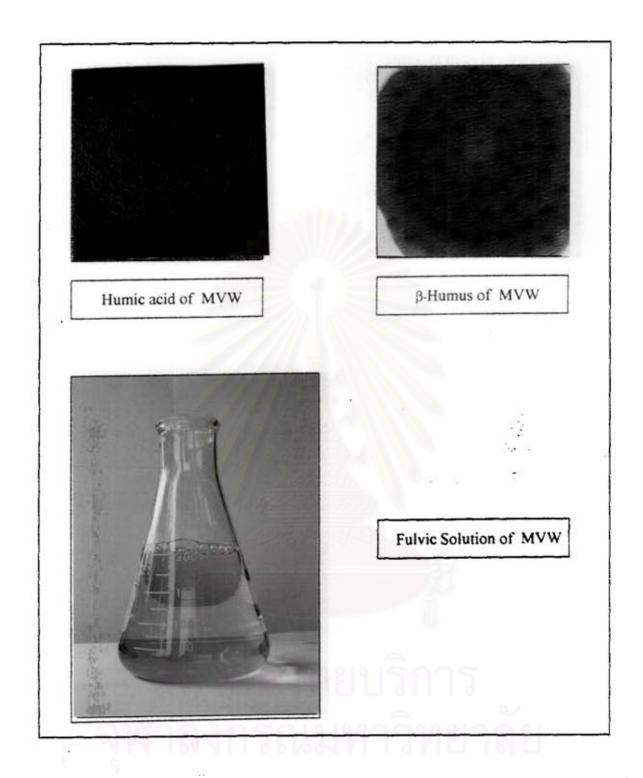


Fig.6.31 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of MVW.

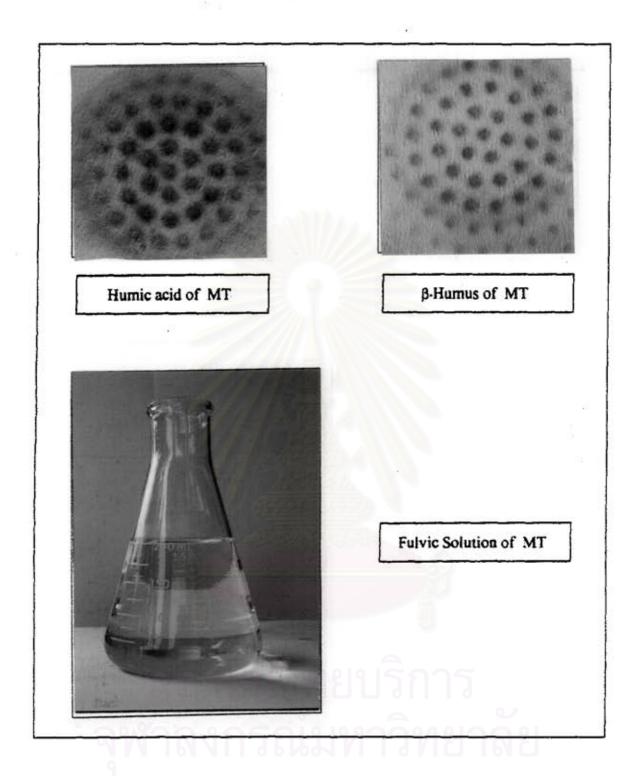


Fig.6.32 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of MT.

II.Ball Clays Group II; SB-75, HVC, REX, BB

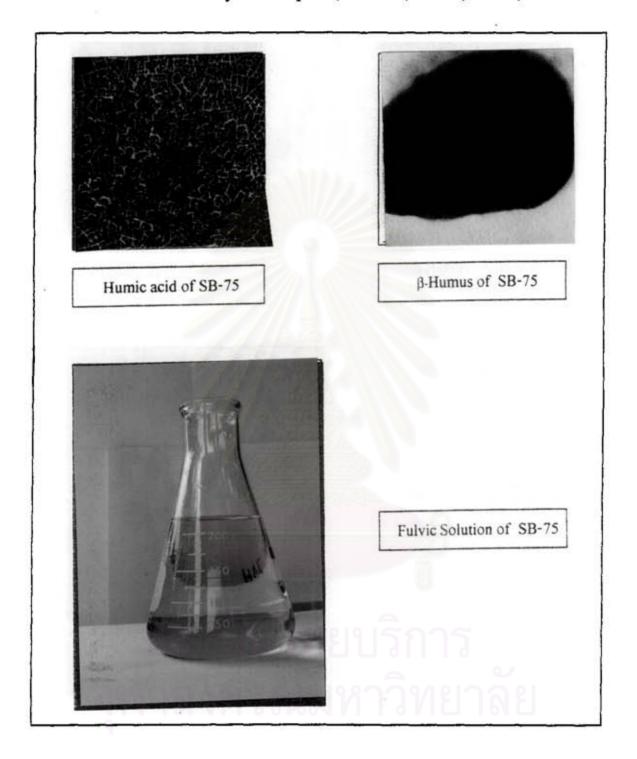


Fig. 6.33 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of SB-75.

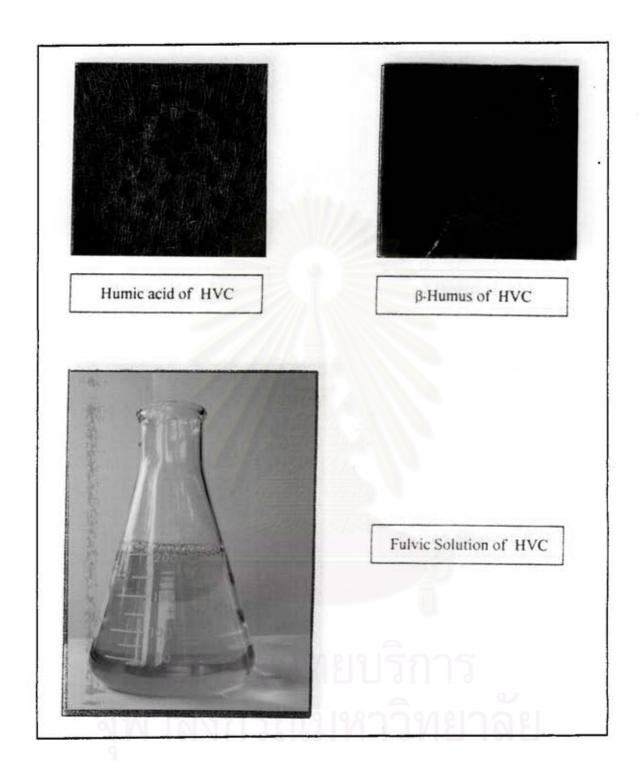


Fig.6.34 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of HVC.

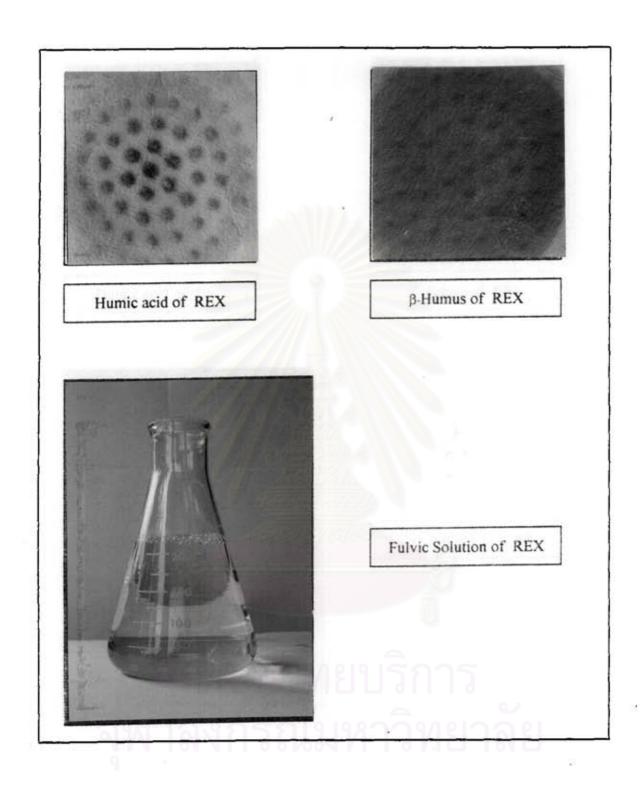


Fig.6.35 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of REX.

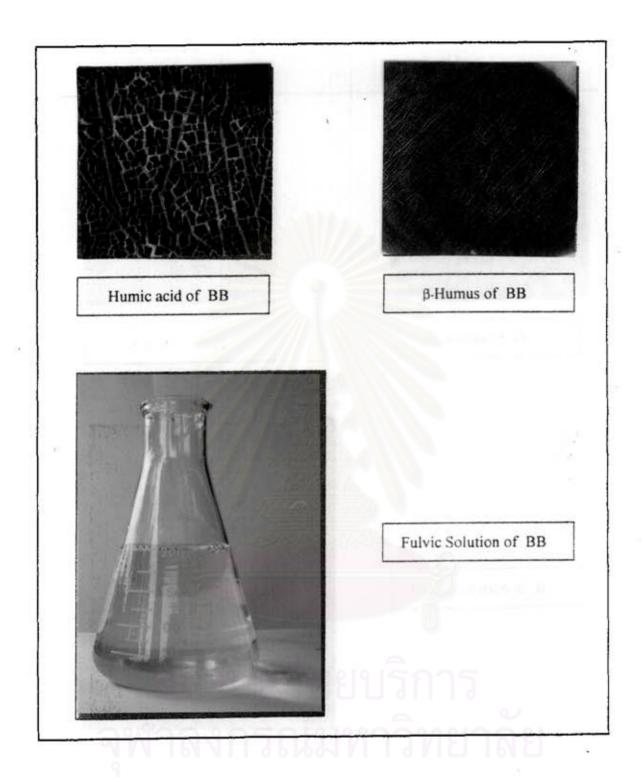


Fig.6.36 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of BB.

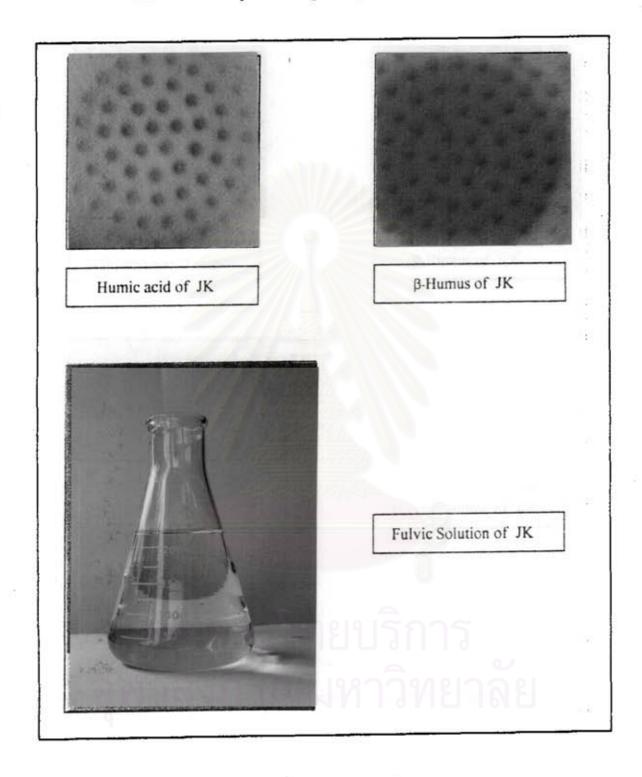


Fig.6.37 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of JK.

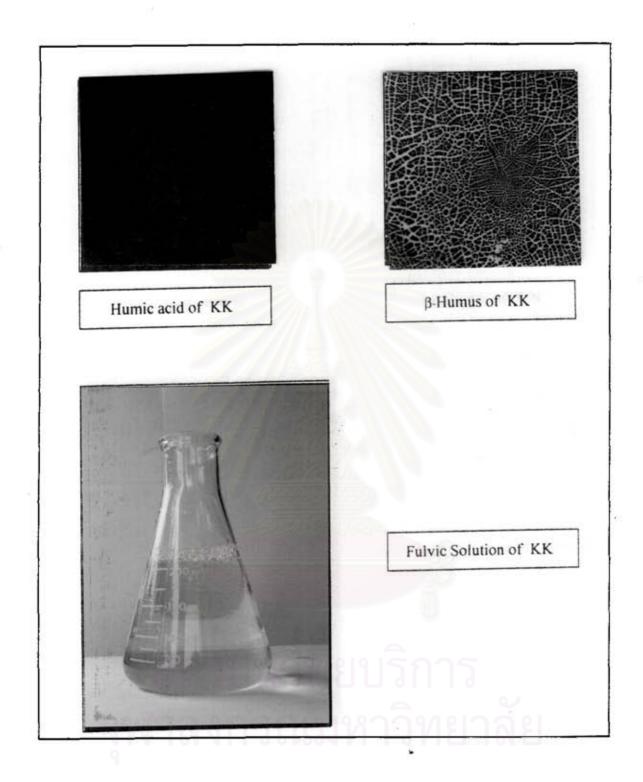


Fig. 6.38 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of KK.

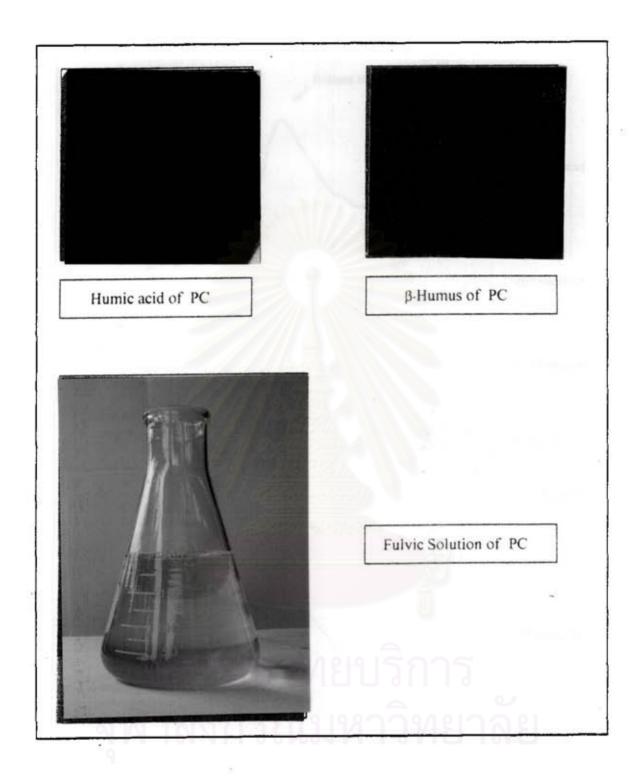


Fig.6.39 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of WN.

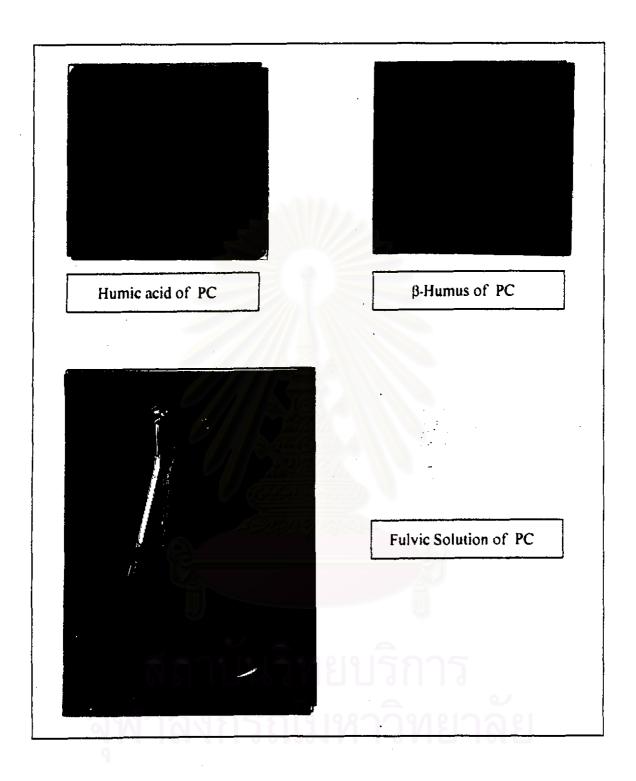


Fig.6.40 Extractable humic acid, β -humus and fulvic solution of PC.

6.2.2 Humic and Fulvic Identification by NMR

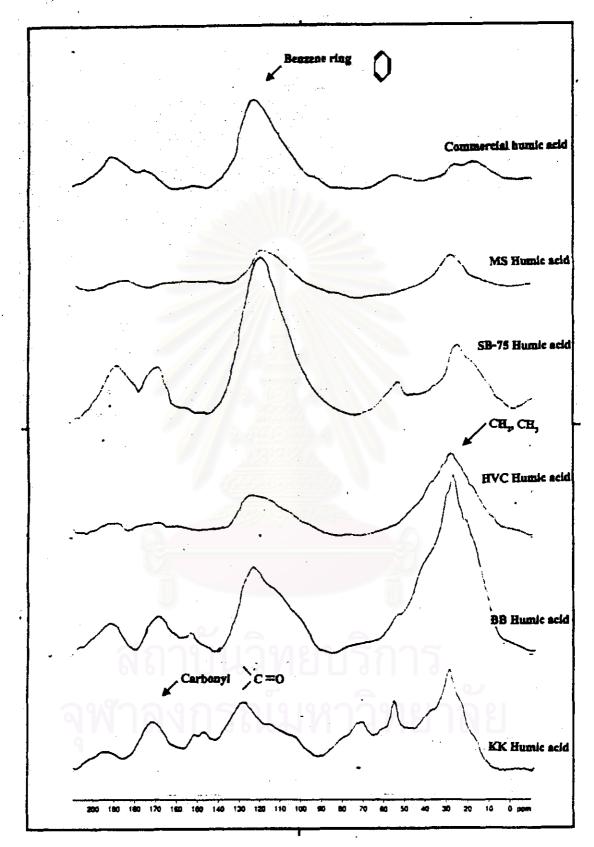


Fig. 6.41 CP/MAS ¹³C NMR spectra of extractable humic acids and commercial humic acid.

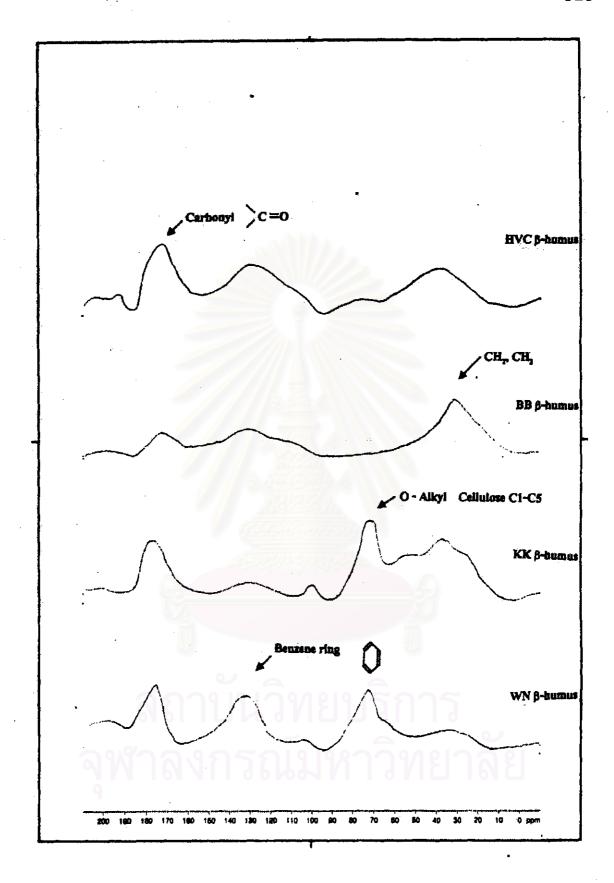


Fig. 6.42 CP/MAS ¹³C NMR spectra of extractable β-humus.

6.3 Soluble Salts Analysis

Table 6.5 Soluble Salts Analysis of ball Clays.

Composition					Sa	mple	S				
Analysis %		I			п				ш		
	MS	MVW	МТ	SB-75	HVC	REX	BB	JК	KK	WN	PC
Св	74	55	37	9.0	31	6.6	51	0.0	21	7.7	11
Mg	38	22	16	4.5	14	2.0	21	5.8	13	1.4	6.5
Na	16	18	9,2	58	14	9.2	6.9	32	23	14	12
K	7.8	5.0	0.9	0.8	3.6	1.6	2,6	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.6
Fe	0,02	0.22	0.14	0.04	0.3	0.22	3.1	0.08	0.24	0.20	0.20
Mn	0.41	0,18	0.17	0.04	0.21	0.00	0.10	0.04	0.33	0.00	0.07
Cl	4,8	2.8	2.8	5.6	2.8	1.6	1.2	4.4	7.2	6.4	3.6
SO₄	320	210	150	81	120	32	240	22	65	18	27
нсо,	25	43	28	100	31	9	9	70	63	36	43
NO ₂	0.18	0.06	0.27	0.05	0,05	0.04	0.04	0.12	0.05	0.05	0.05
NO ₃	11	1.1	12	0.6	0.5	0.1	0. t	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.4
F	0.2	0.1	0.3	1.3	0.5	0.1	0,3	2.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Total dissolved solids	485	335	243	210	201	58	327	107	161	66	82
Total hardness as CaCO ₃	340	230	160	41	130	25	210	24	110	25	54
Noncarbonate hardness	320	190	140	0	110	17	200	0	55	0	18

Unit: milligram per kilogram.

6.4 Rheological and Casting Properties

6.4.1 Effect of Temperature on Rheology



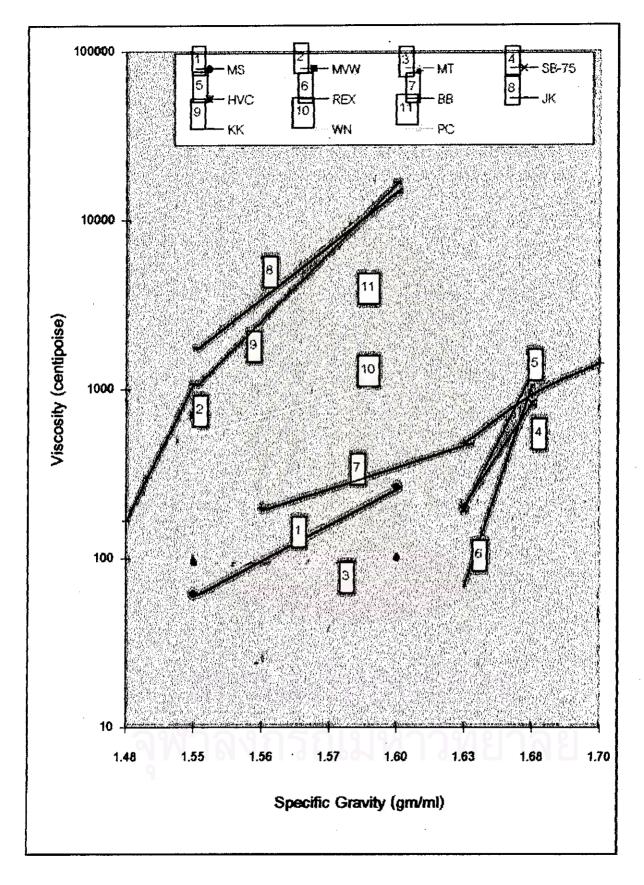


Fig. 6.43 Viscosity vs specific gravity of ball clays used in this study.

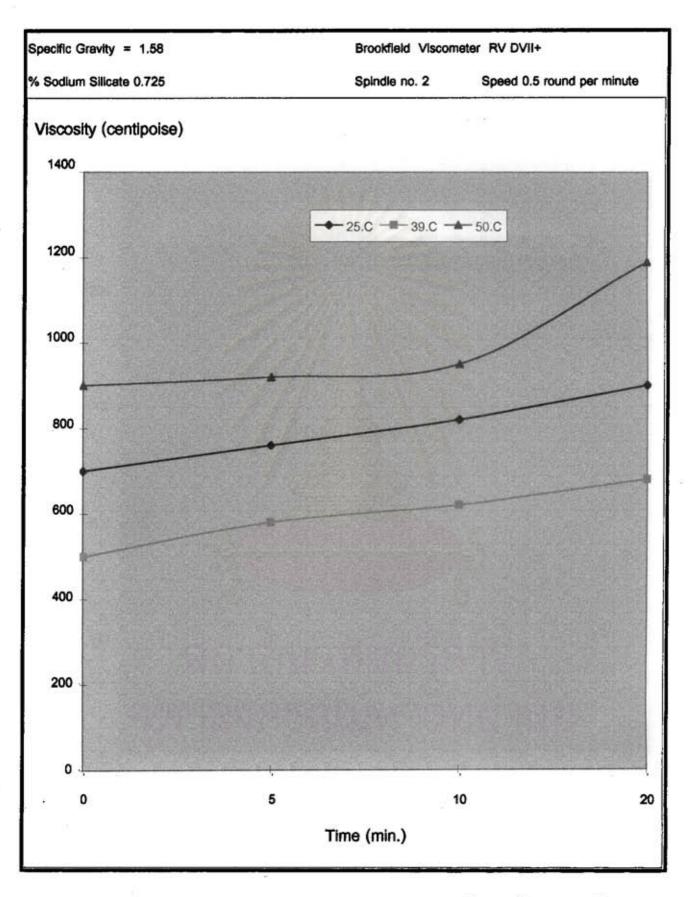


Fig. 6.44 Effect of temperature on MS gelation 25 $^{\circ}$ C, 39 $^{\circ}$ C and 50 $^{\circ}$ C .

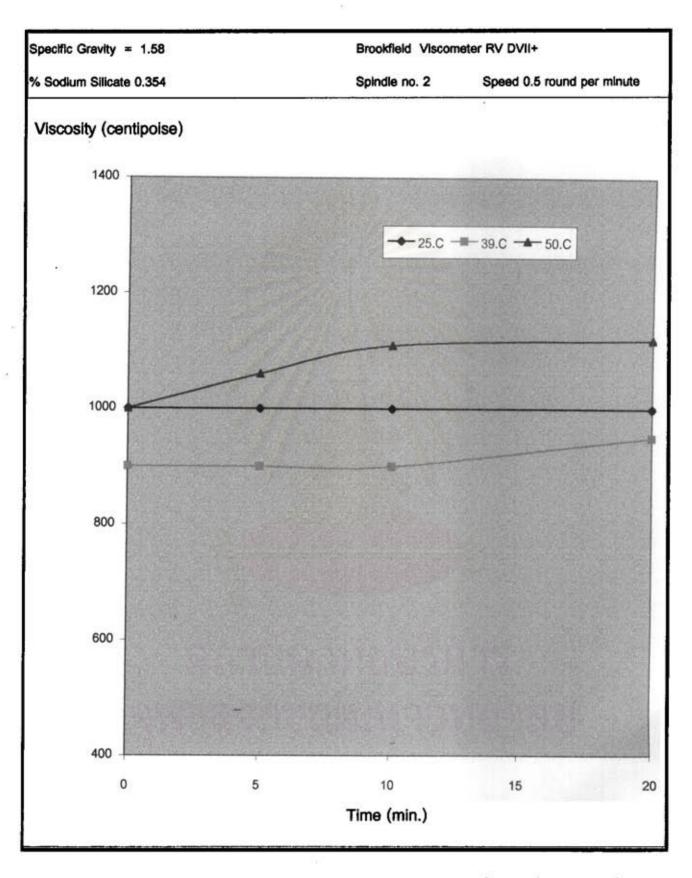


Fig.6.45 Effect of temperature on SB-75 gelation 25 °C, 39 °C and 50 °C.

6.4.2 Deflocculation Response



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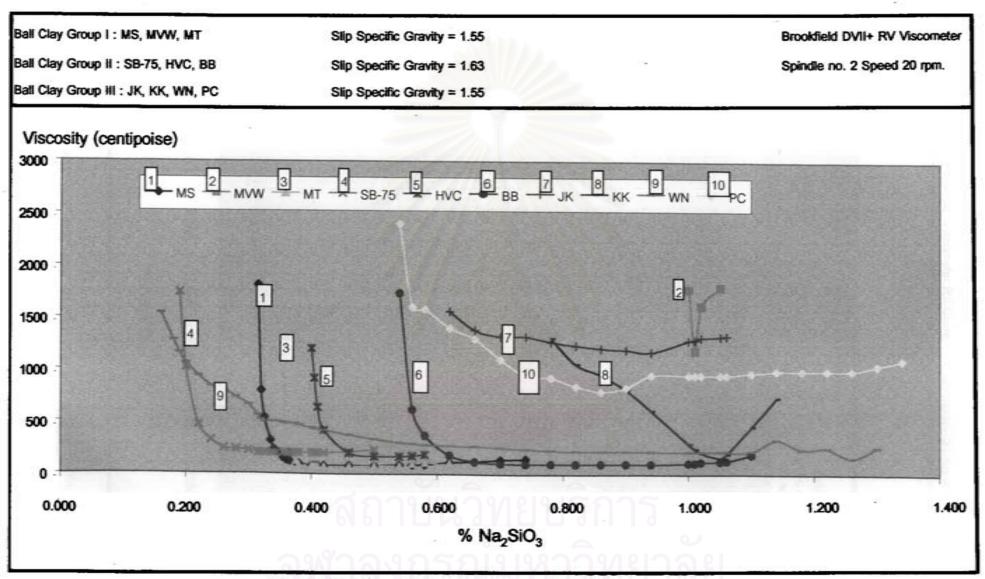


Fig. 6.46 Deflocculation Response of Ball Clays

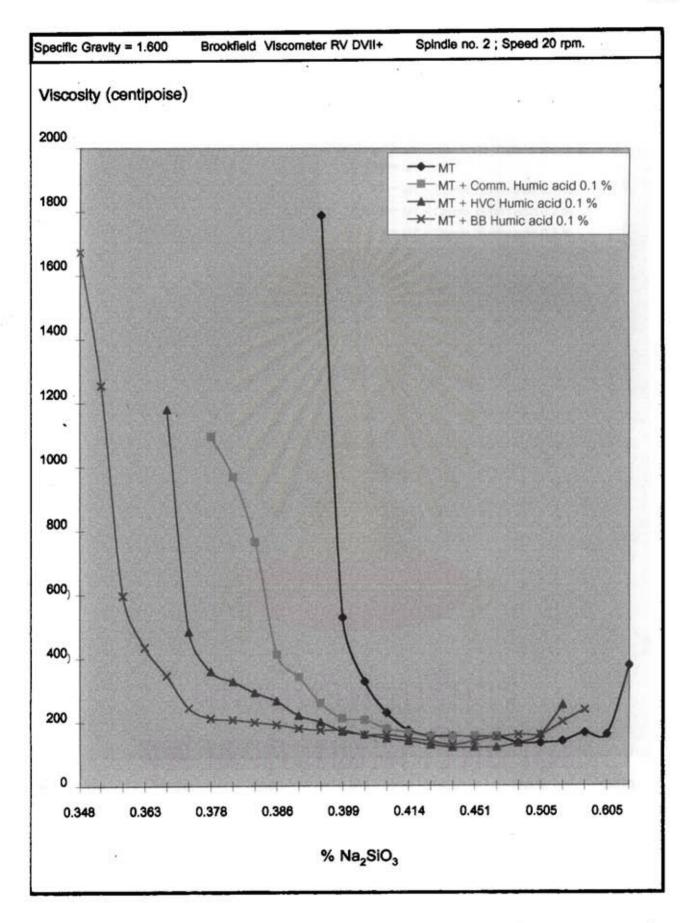


Fig. 6.47 Deflocculation response of MT and MT added different sources of humic acid

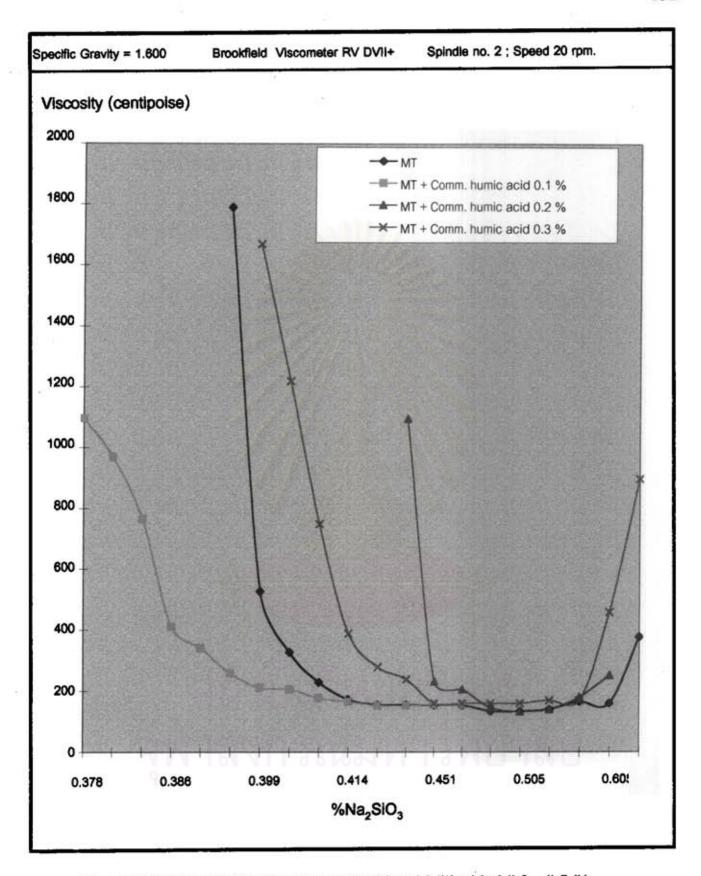
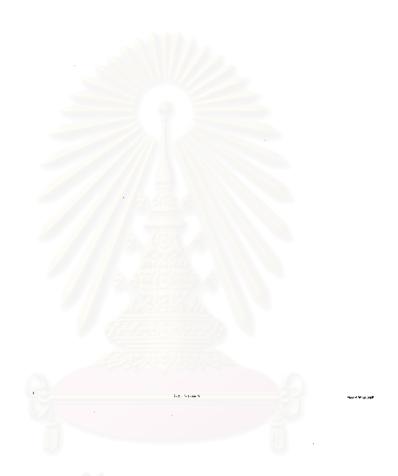


Fig.6.48 Detlocculation Response of MT and MT added 0.1 - 0.3 % commercial humic acid.

6.4.3 Gelation and Relative Gel-strength



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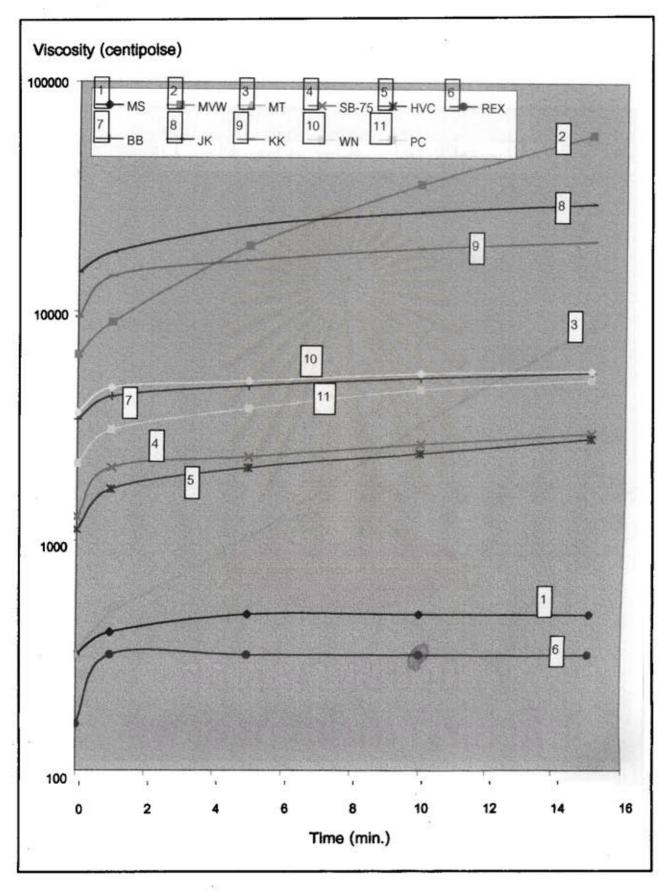


Fig .6.49 Gelation of Ball Clays

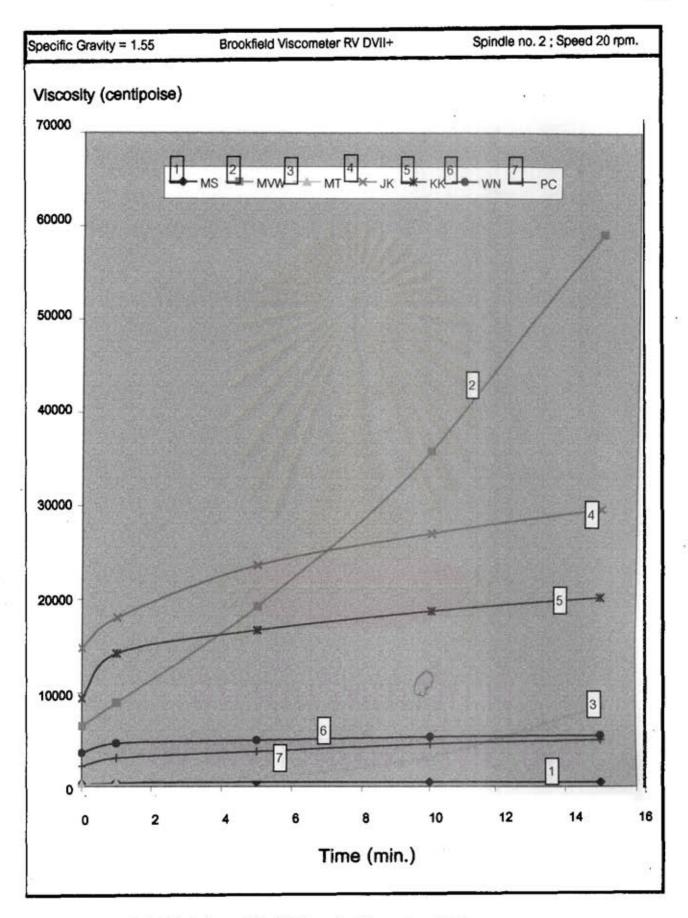


Fig .6.50 Gelation of Ball Clays in Group I and III

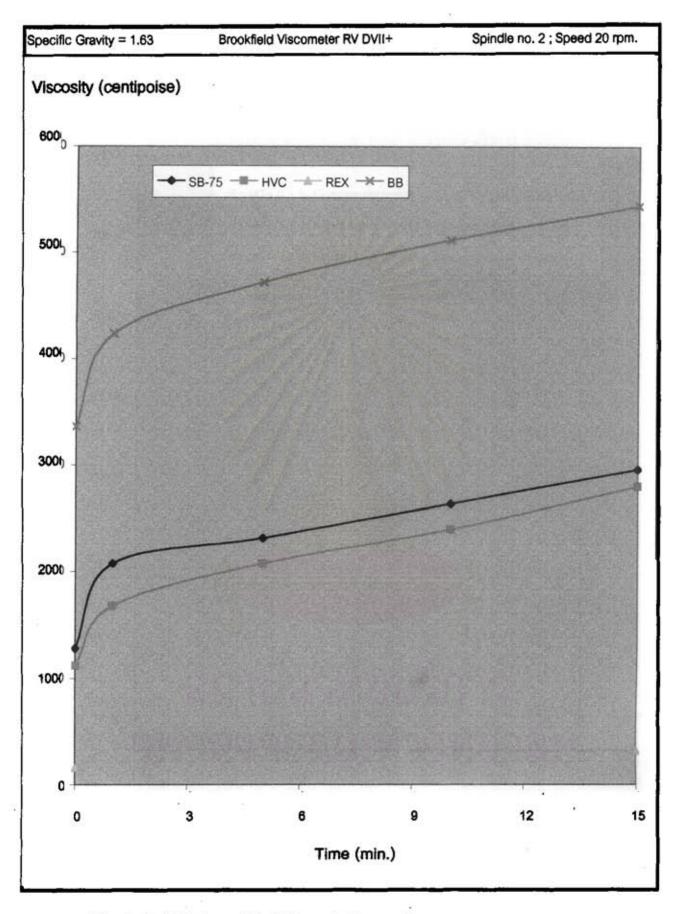


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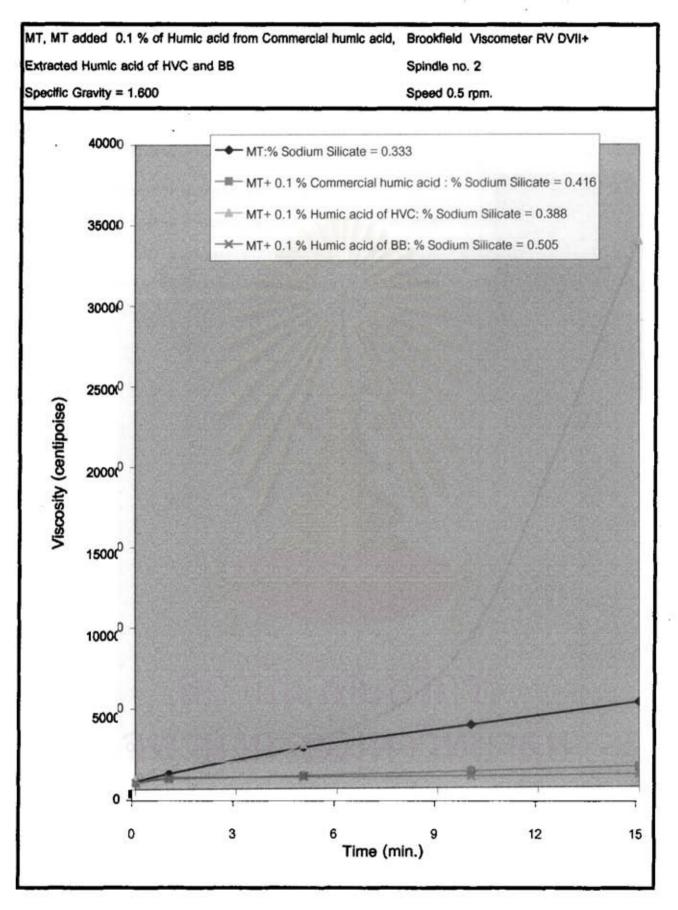


Fig. 6.52 Gelation of MT and MT added different sources of humic acid

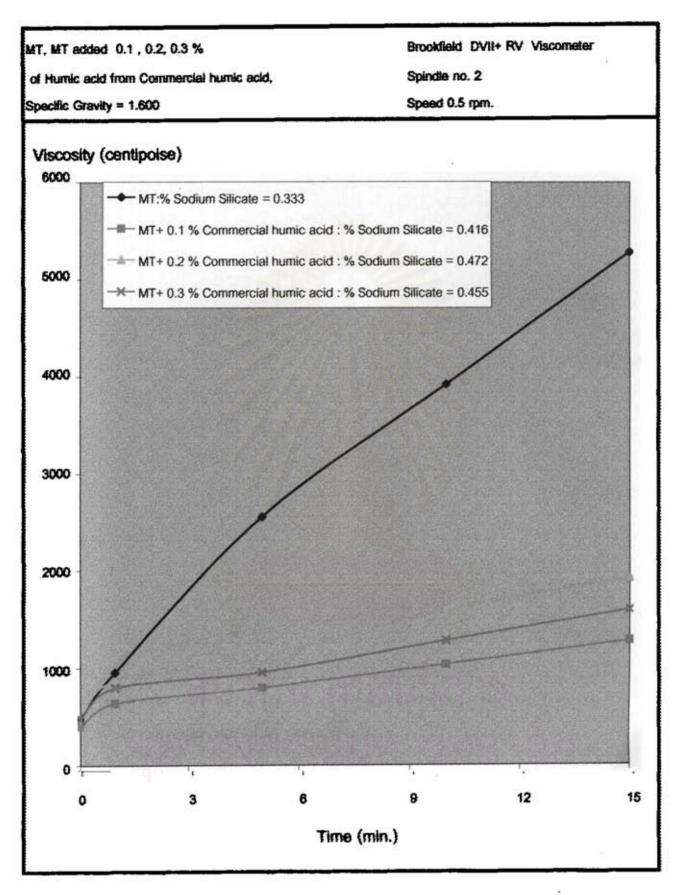


Fig. 6.53 Gelation of MT and MT added 0.1 - 0.3 % commercial humic acid.

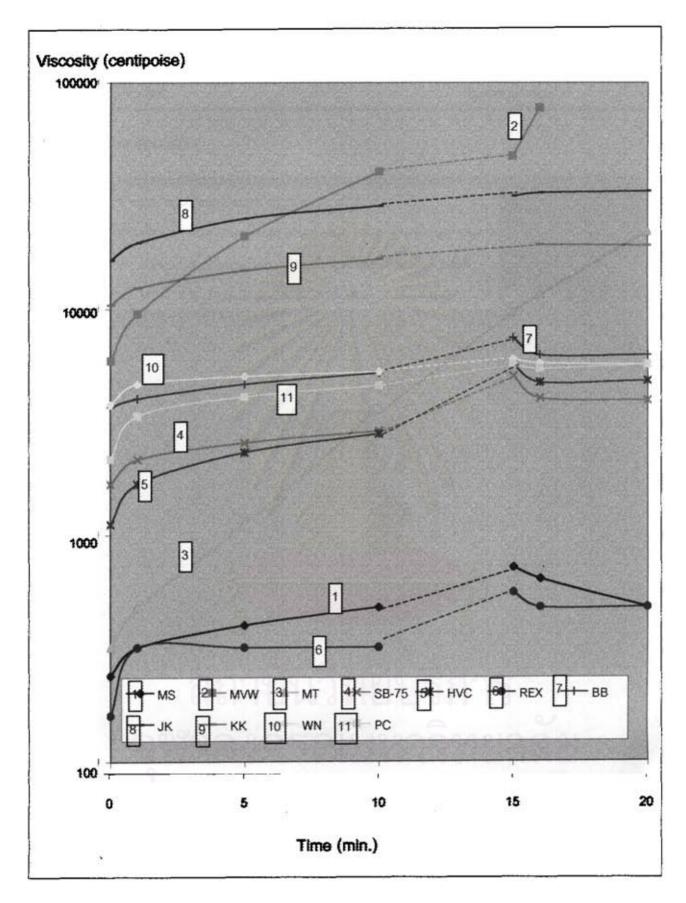


Fig. 6.54 Relative Gel-strength of Ball Clays

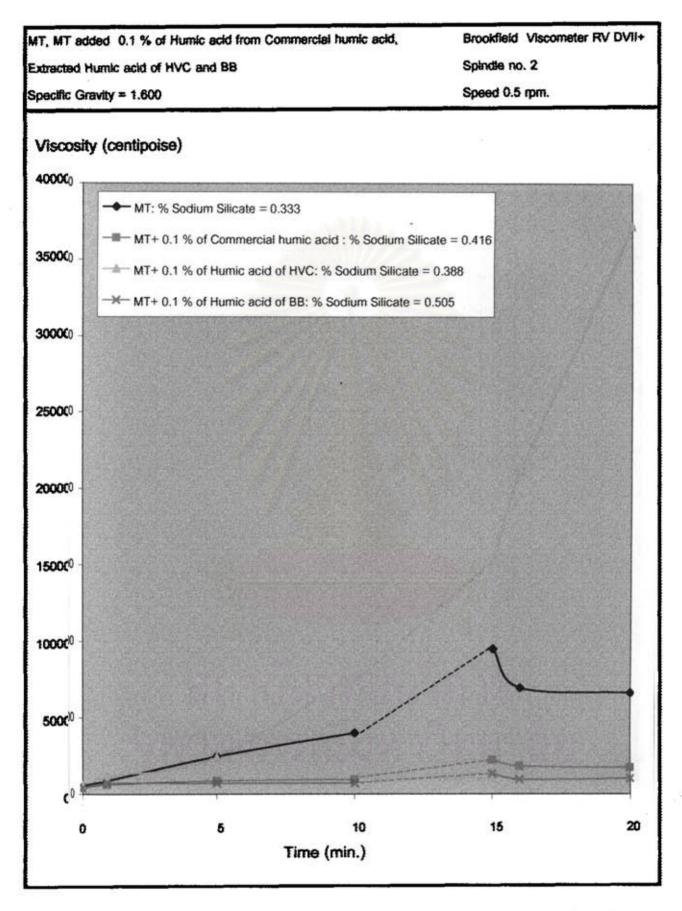


Fig. 6.55 Relative Gel-strength of MT and MT added different sources of humic acid

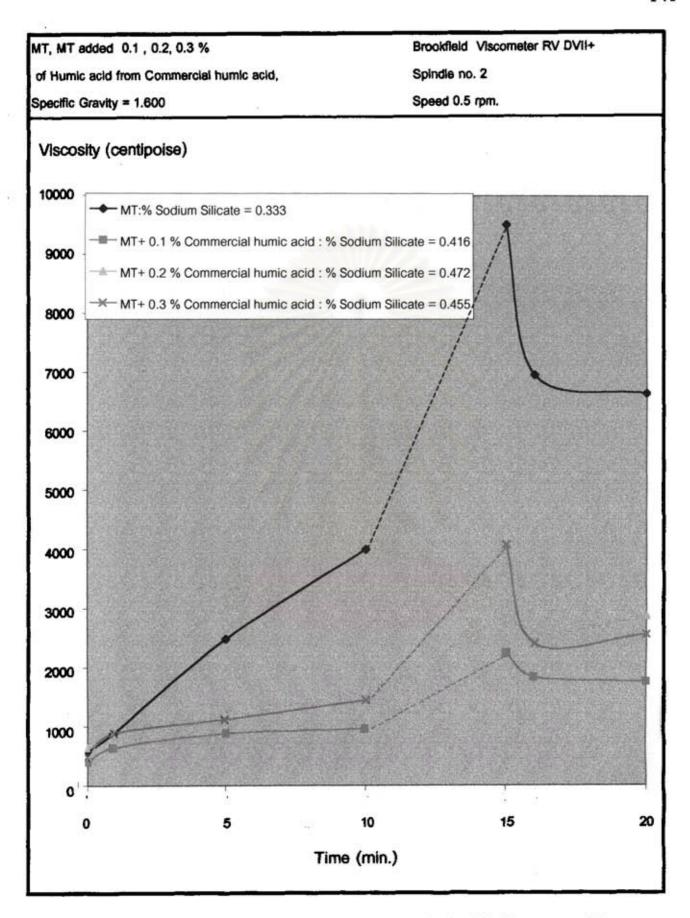


Fig. 6.56 Relative Gel-strength of MT and MT added 0.1 - 0.3 % commercial humic acid.

6.4.4 Shear Response



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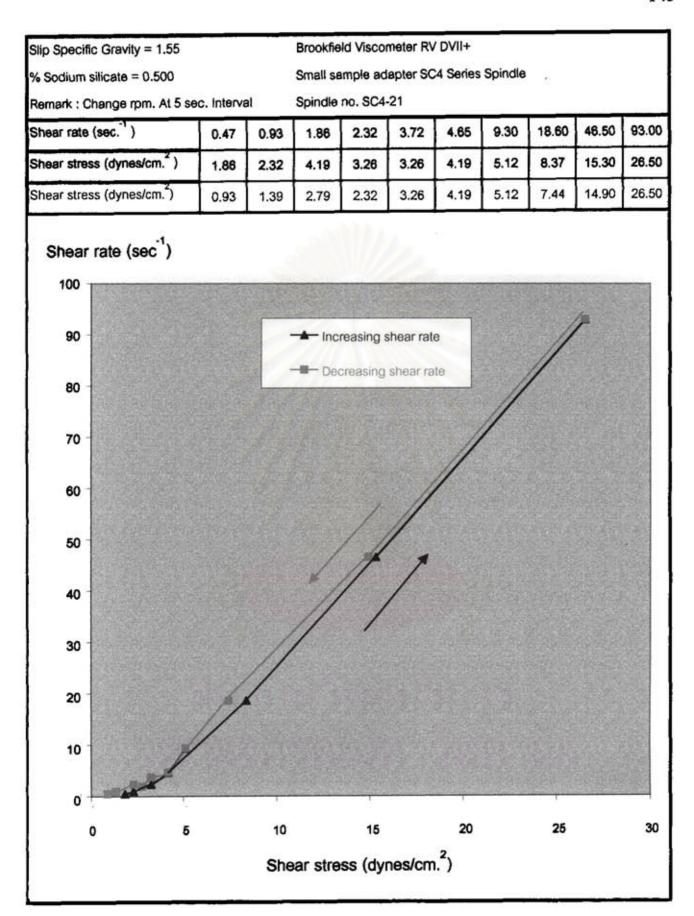


Fig. 6.57 Shear response of MS (shear rate - shear stress curve)

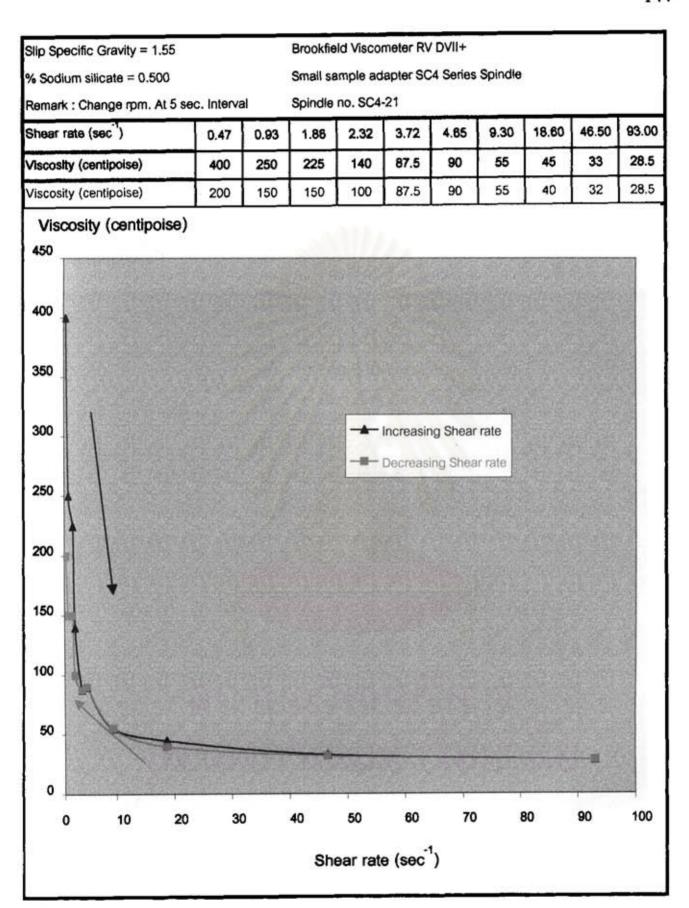


Fig. 6.58 Shear response of MS (shear rate - viscosity curve)

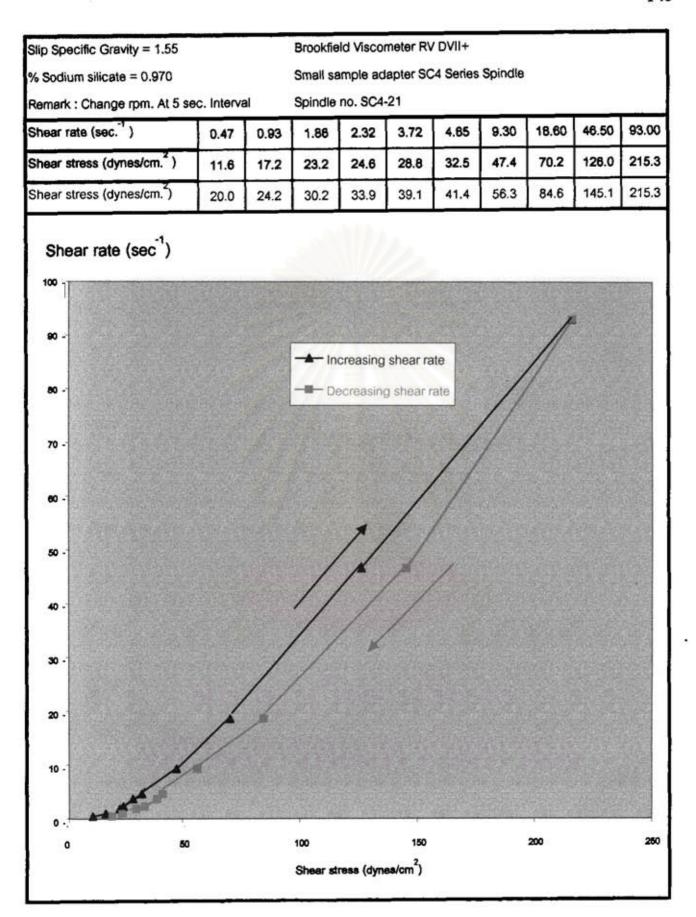


Fig. 6.59 Shear response of MVW (shear rate - shear stress curve)

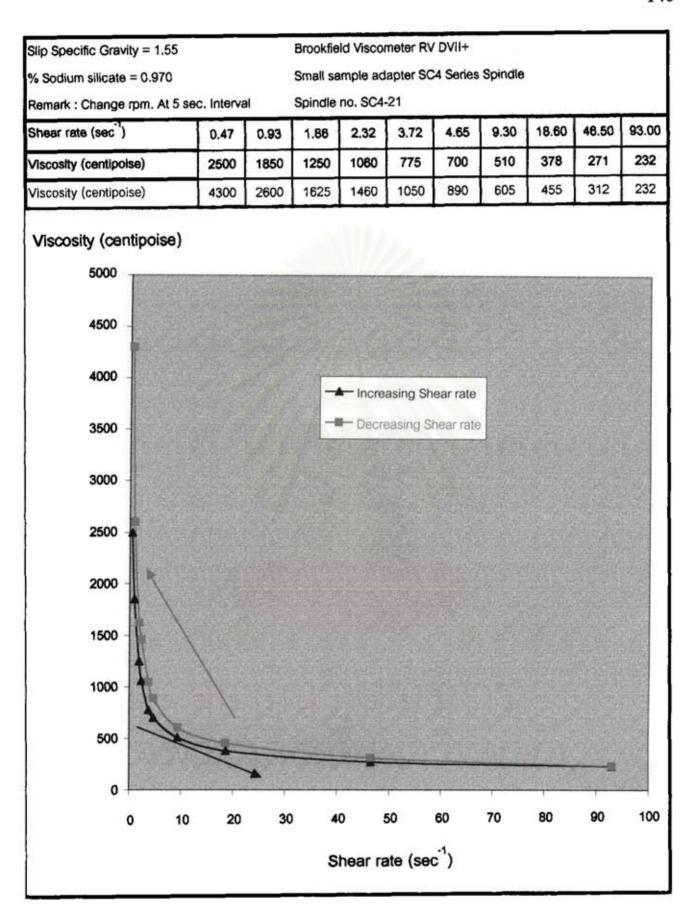


Fig. 6.60 Shear response of MVW (shear rate - viscosity curve)

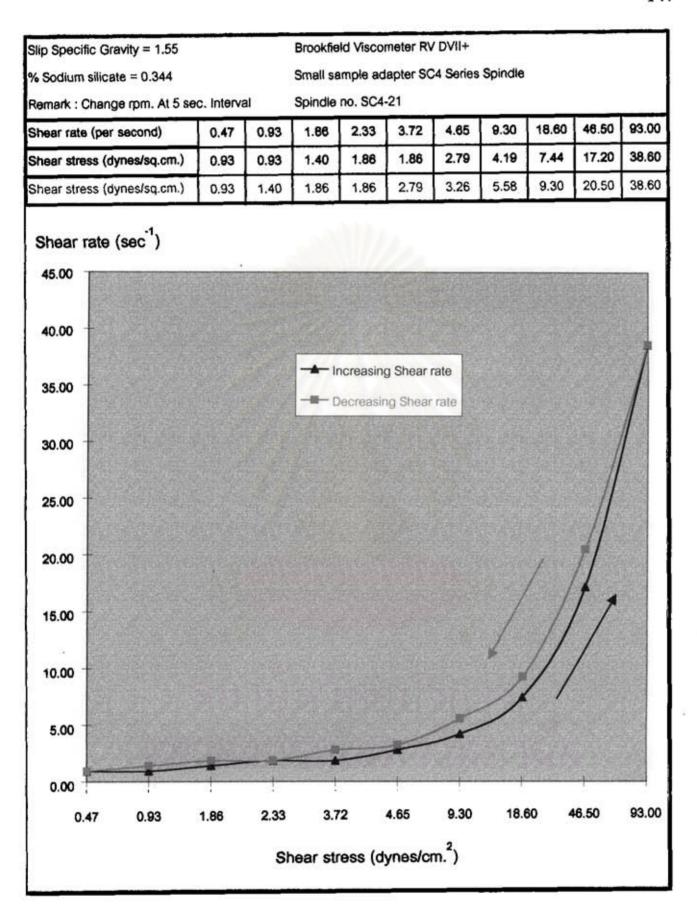


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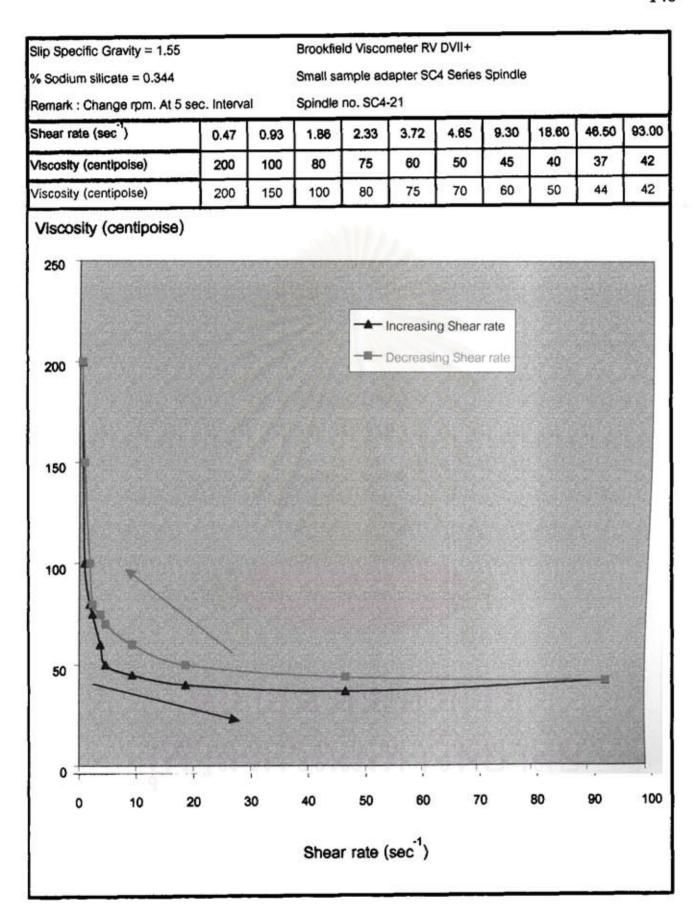


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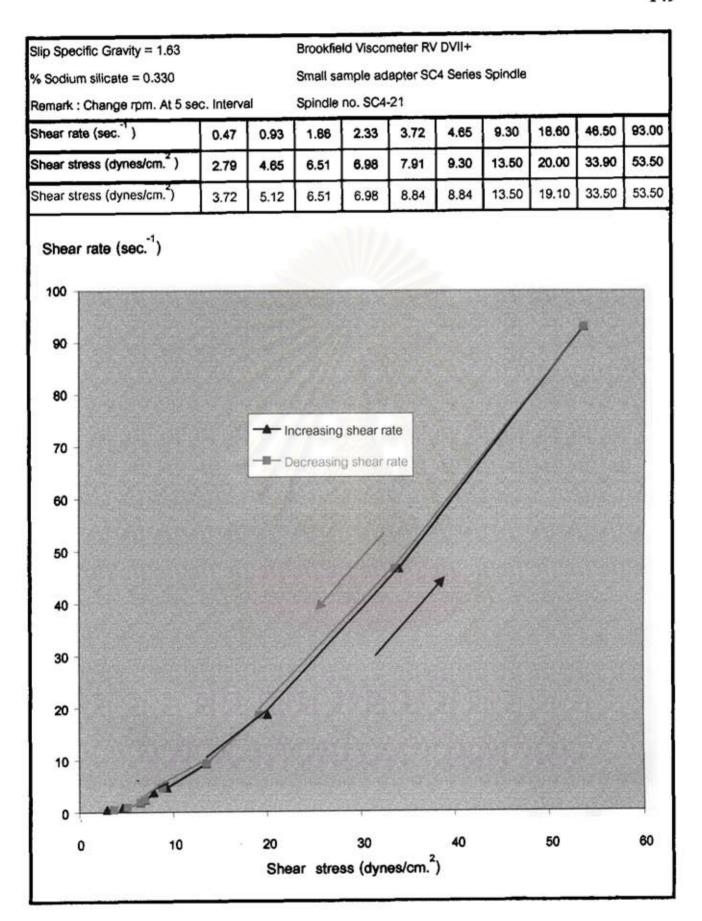


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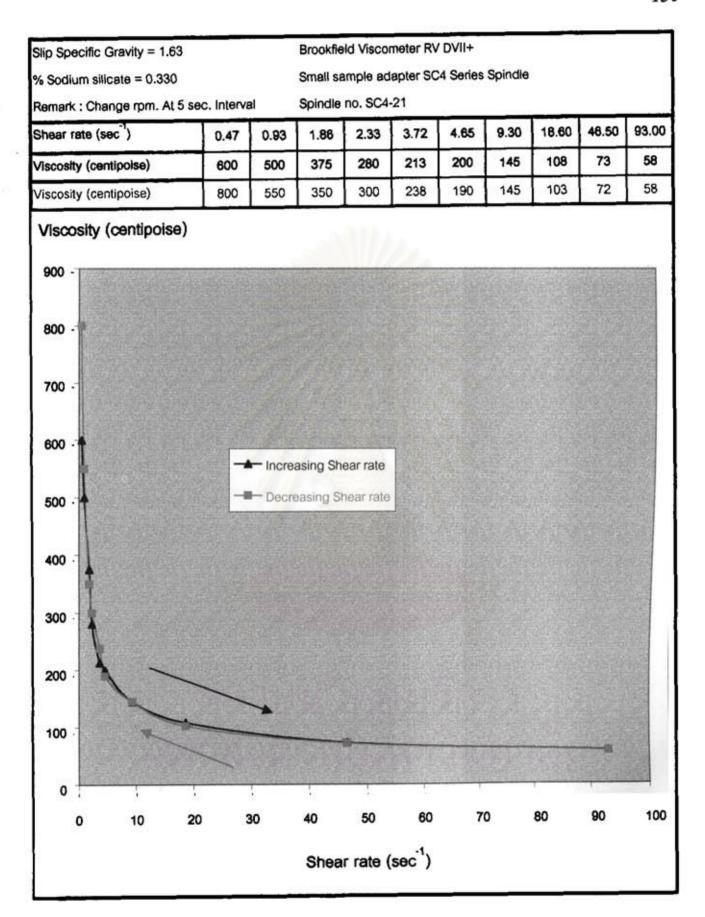


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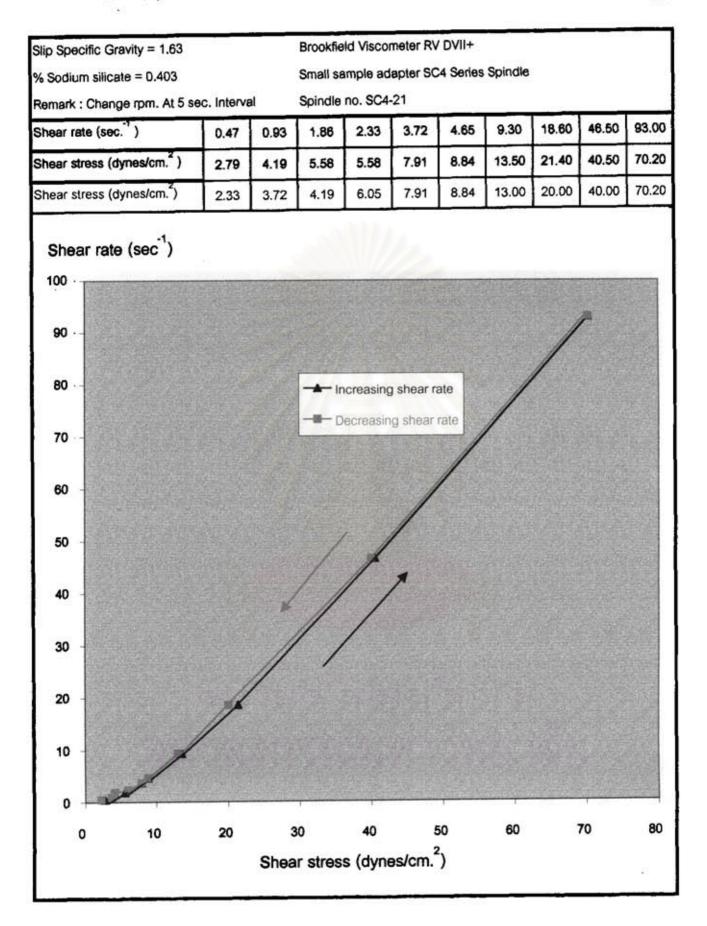


Fig. 6.65 Shear response of HVC (shear rate - shear stress curve)

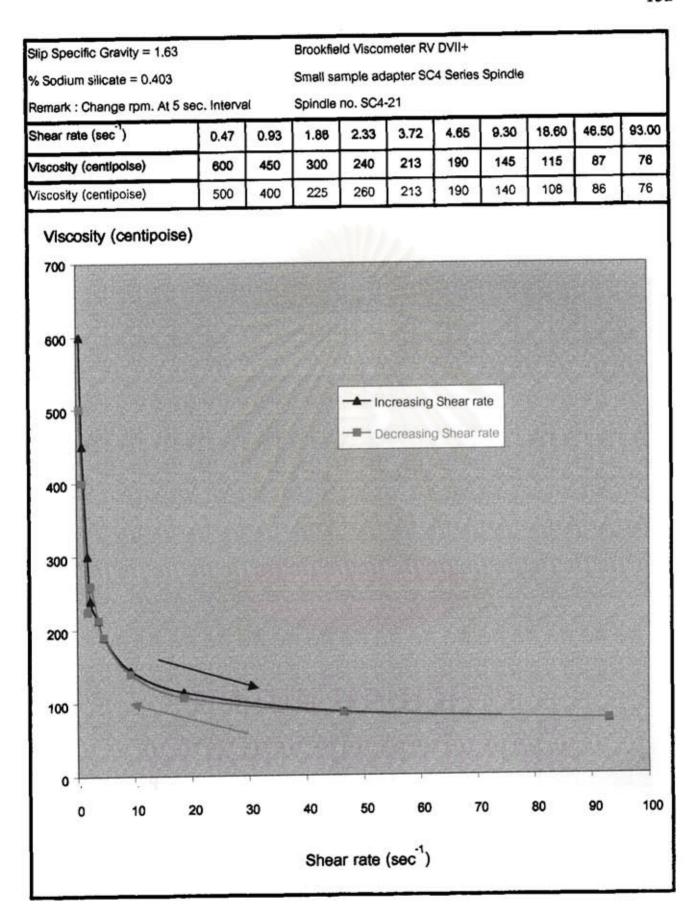


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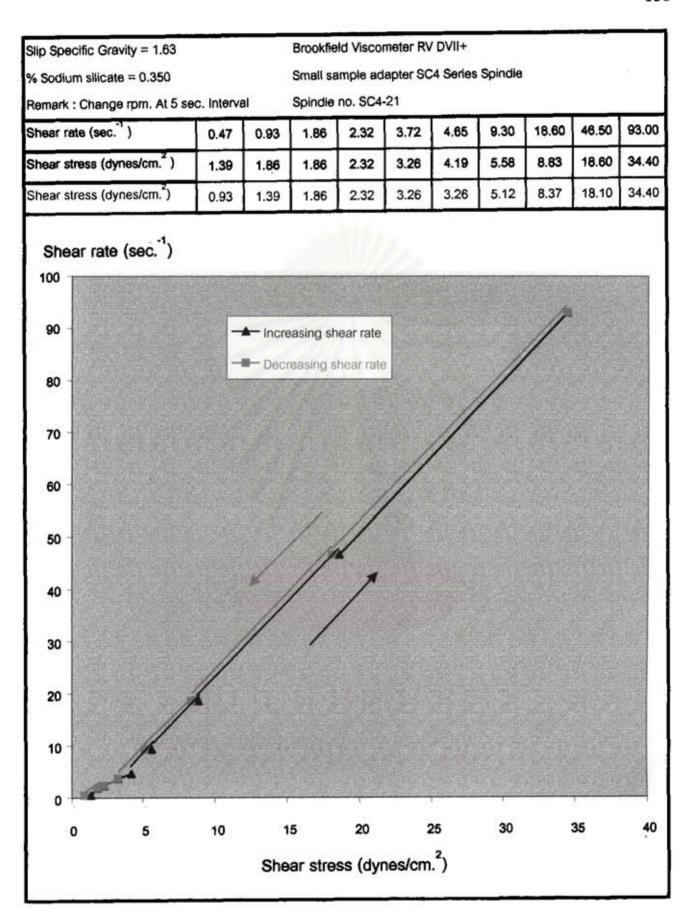


Fig. 6.67 Shear response of REX (shear rate - shear stress curve)

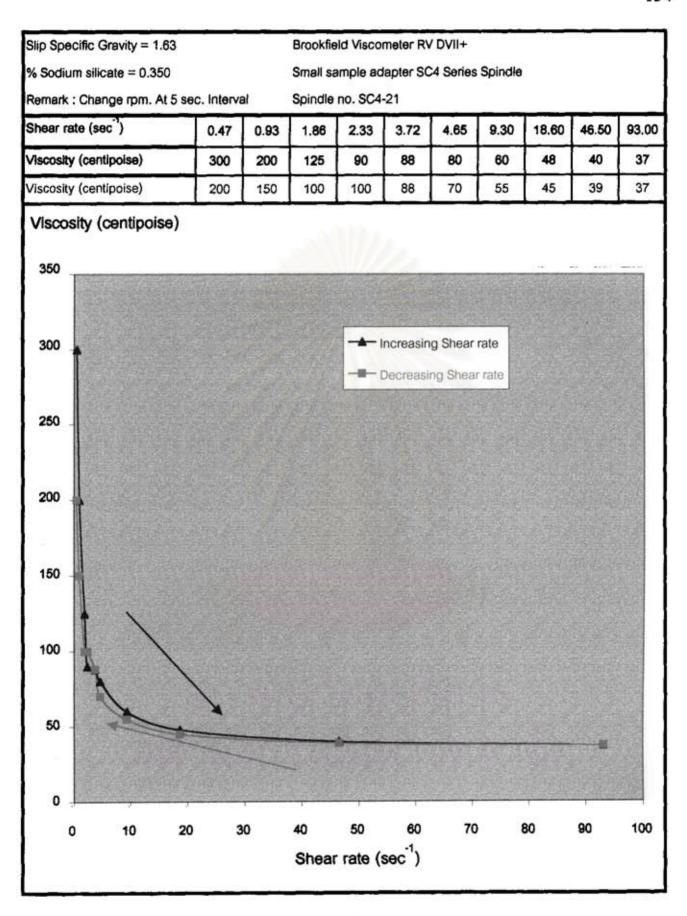


Fig. 6.68 Shear response of REX (shear rate - viscosity curve)

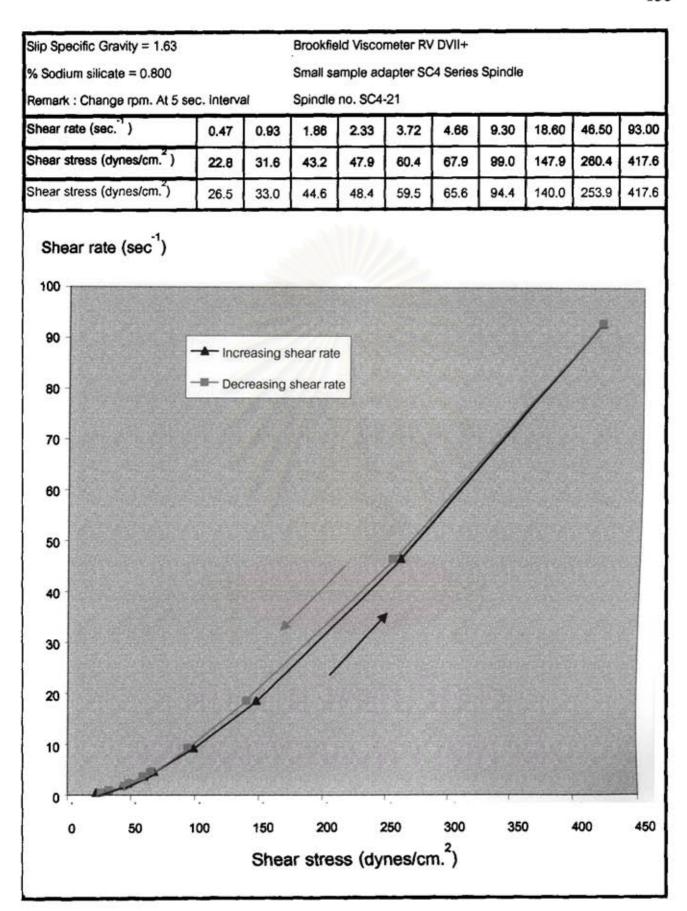


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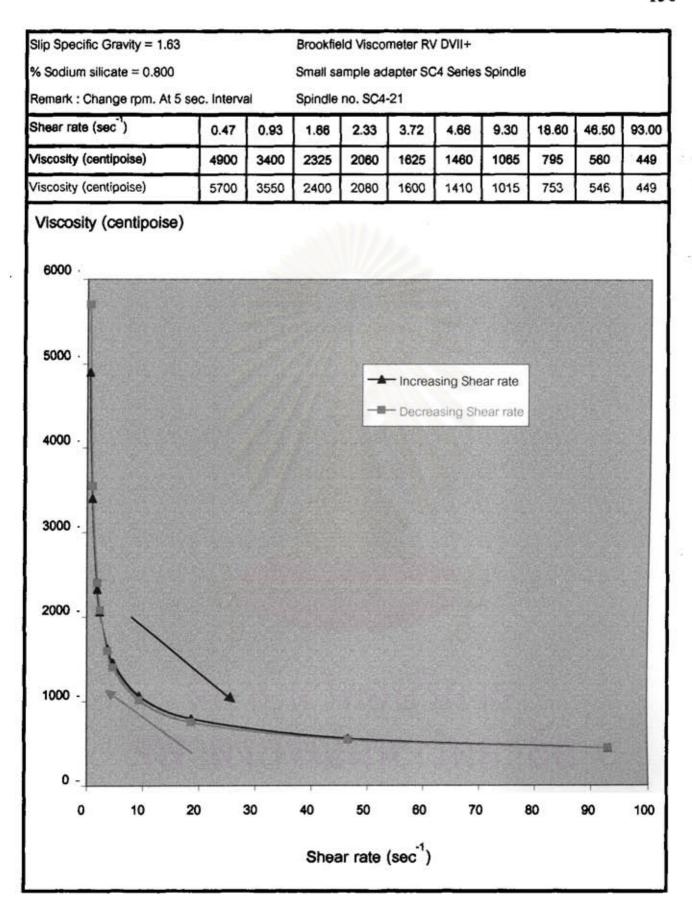


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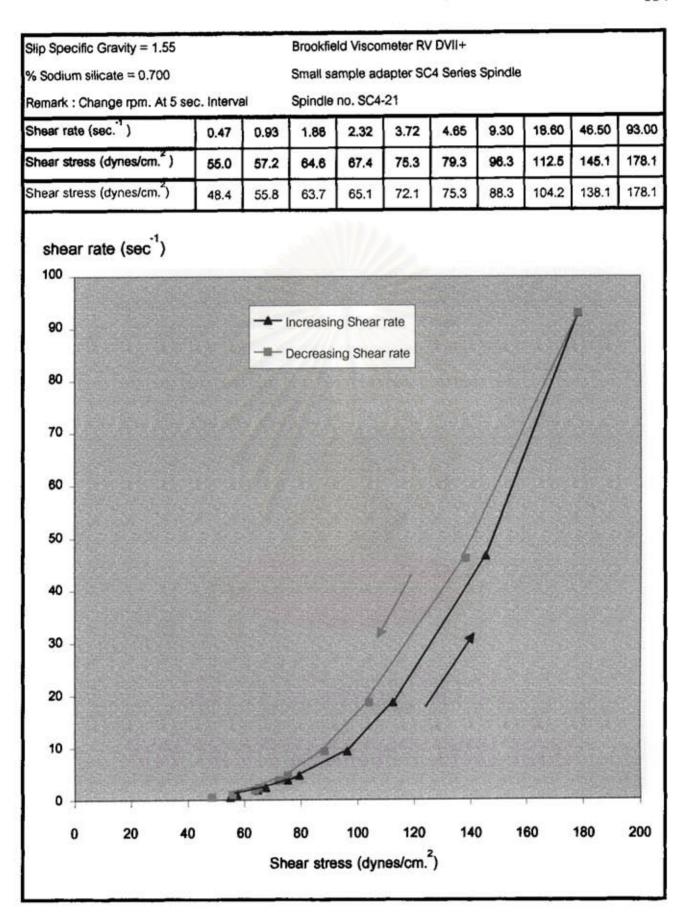


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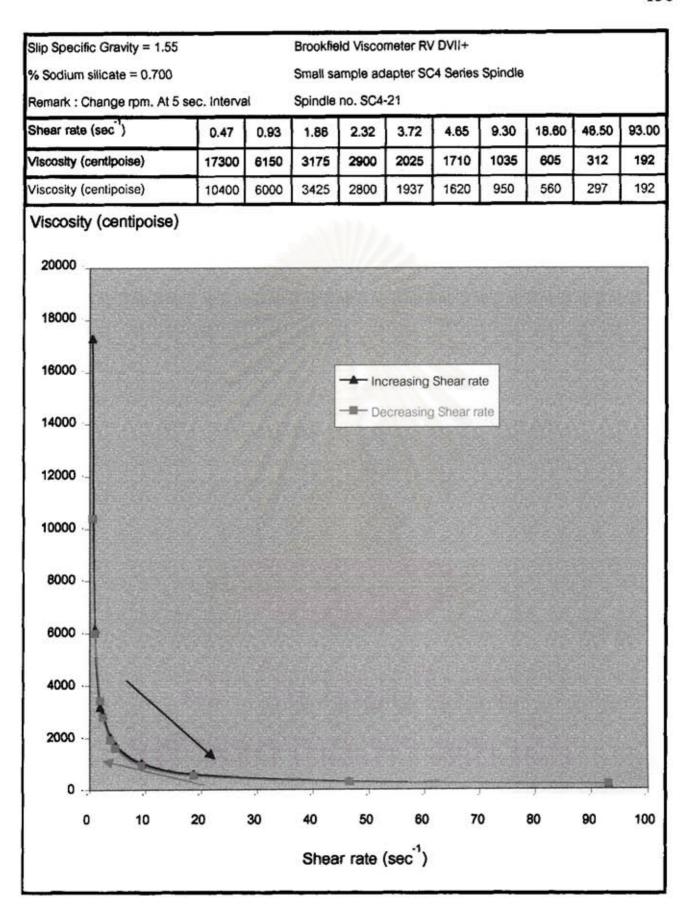


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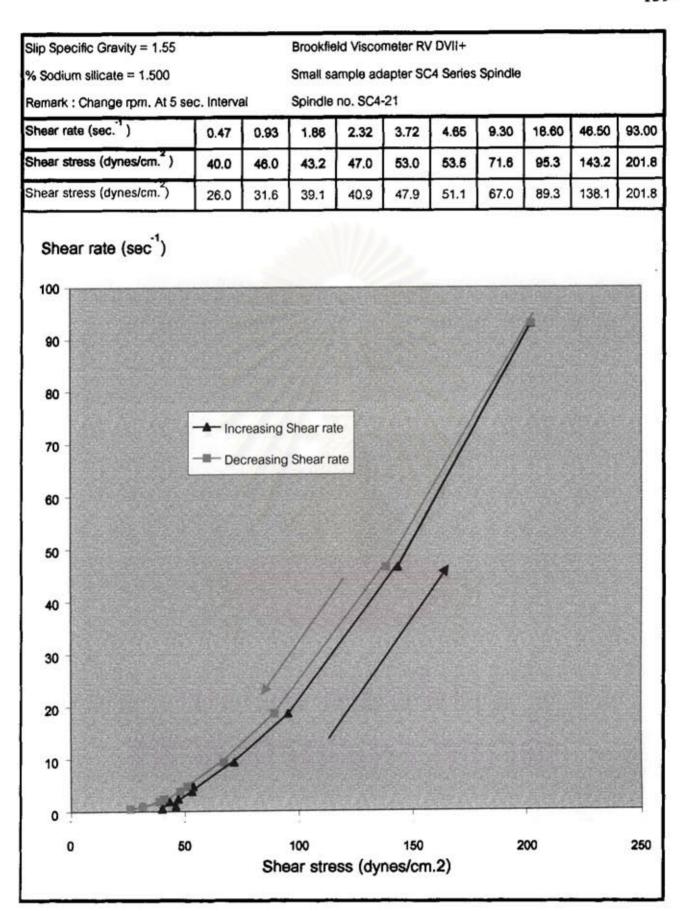


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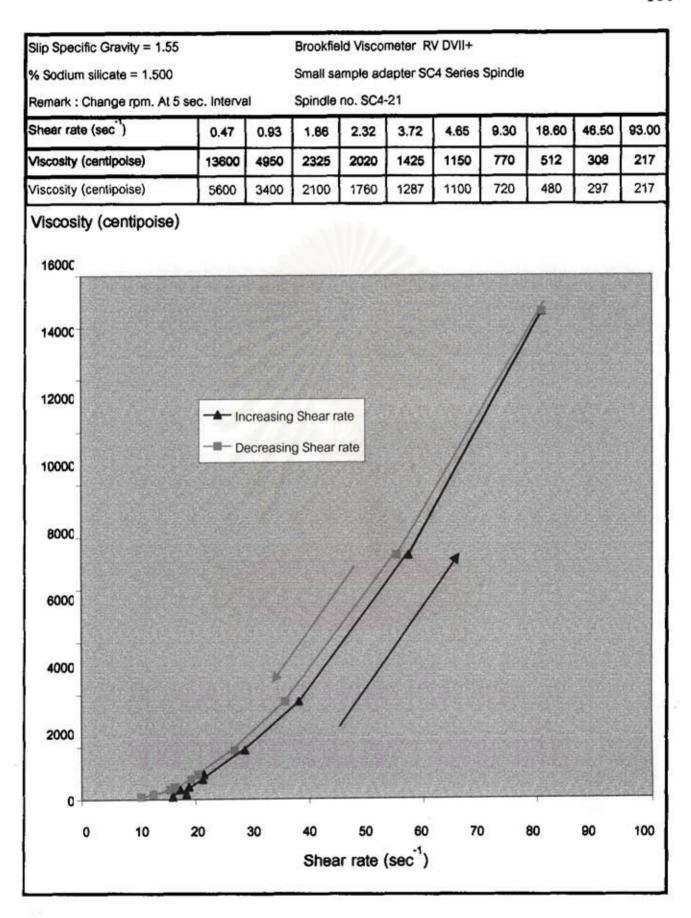


Fig. 6.74 Shear response of KK (shear rate - viscosity curve)

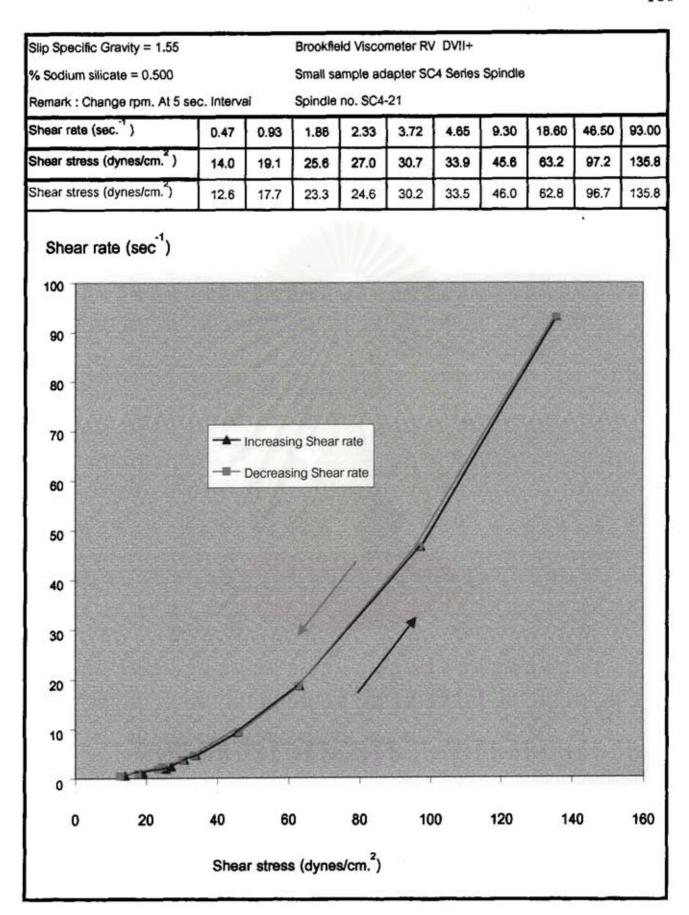


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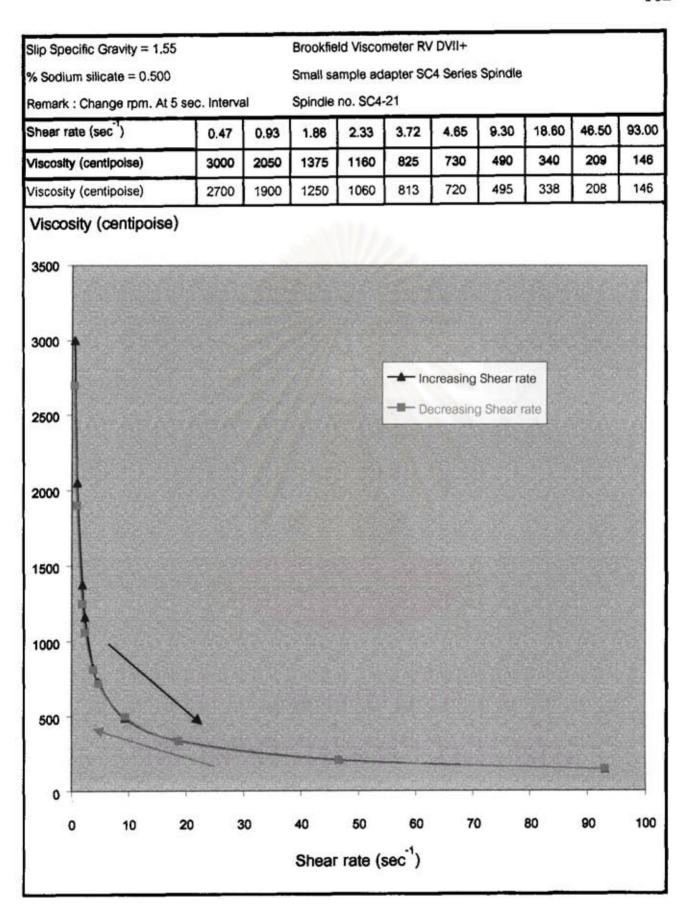


Fig. 6.76 Shear response of WN (shear rate - viscosity curve)

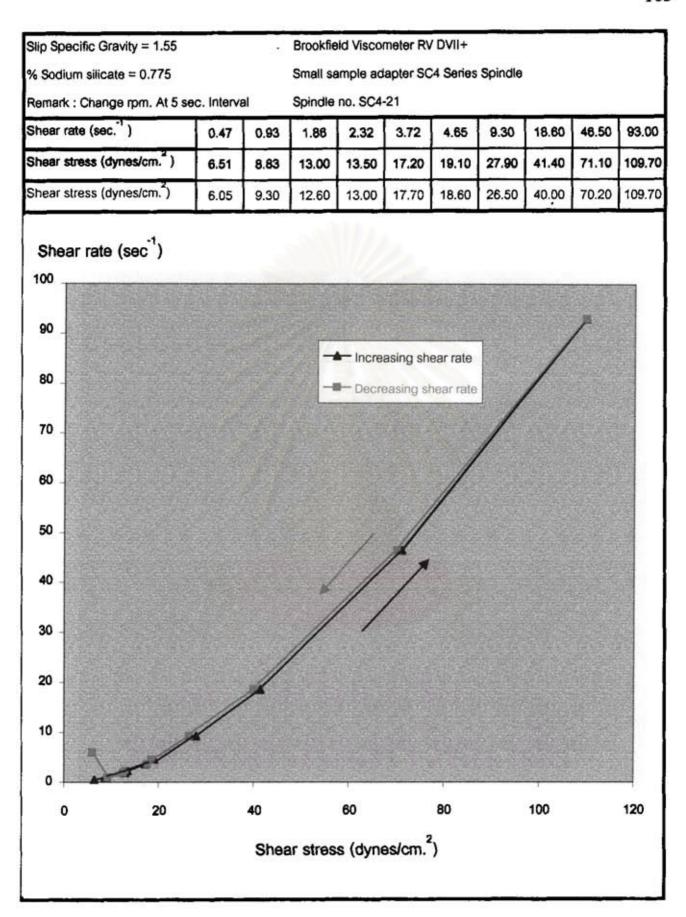


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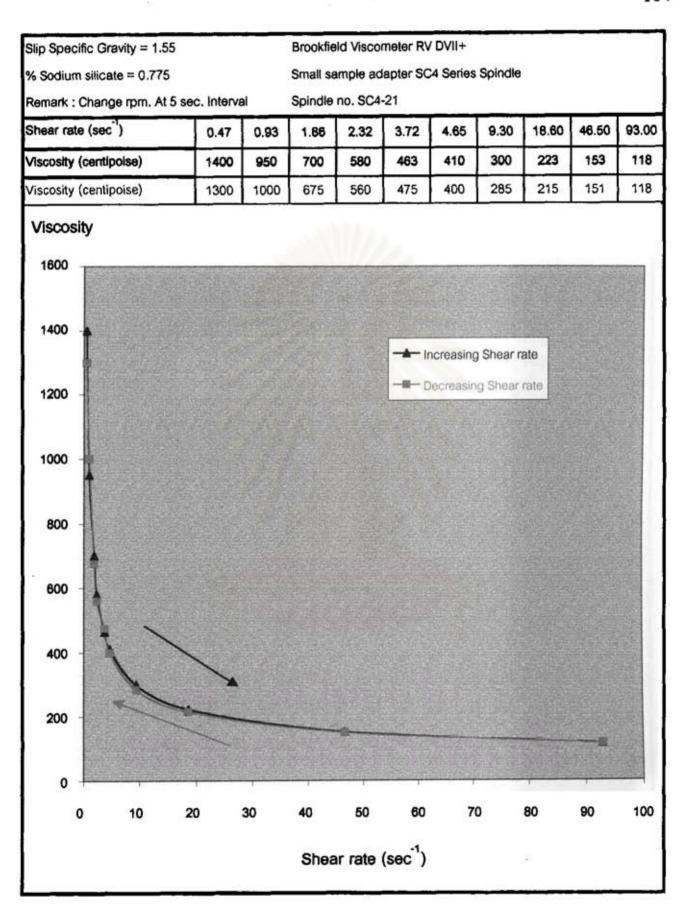


Fig. 6.78 Shear response of PC (shear rate - viscosity curve)

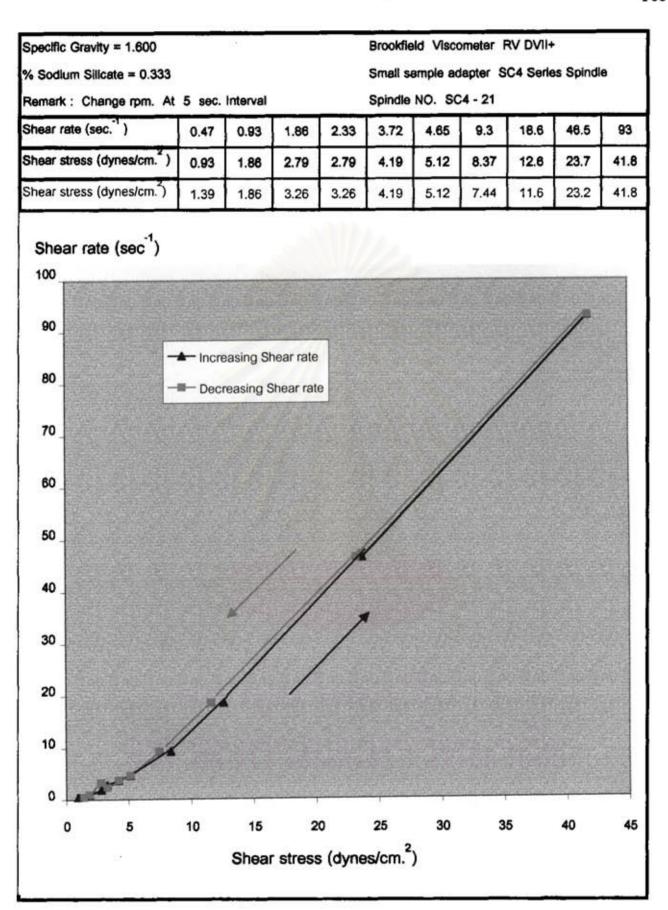


Fig. 6.79 Shear response of MT (shear rate - shear stress curve)

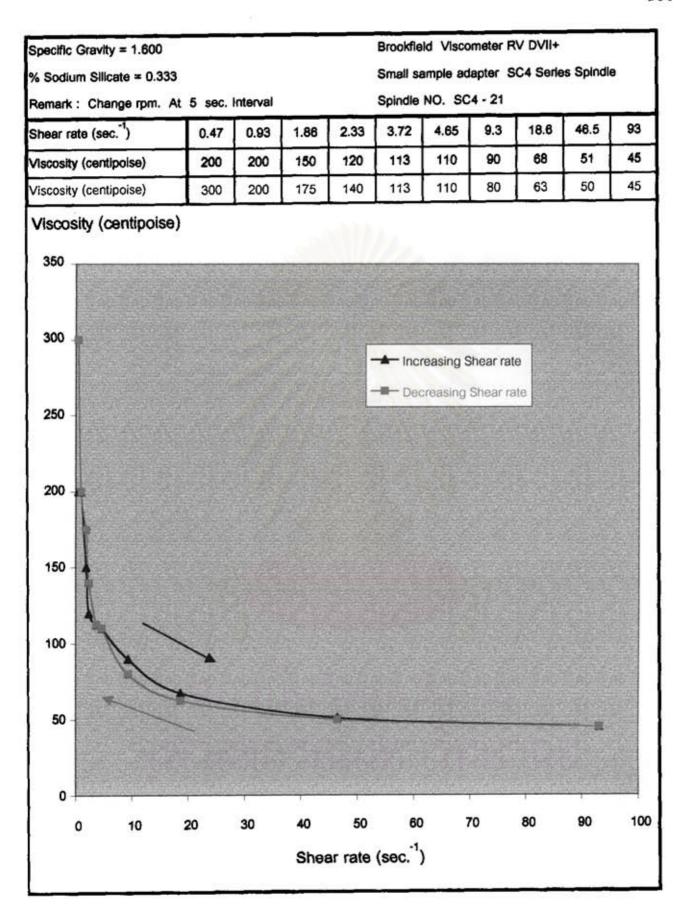


Fig. 6.80 Shear response of MT (shear rate - viscosity curve)

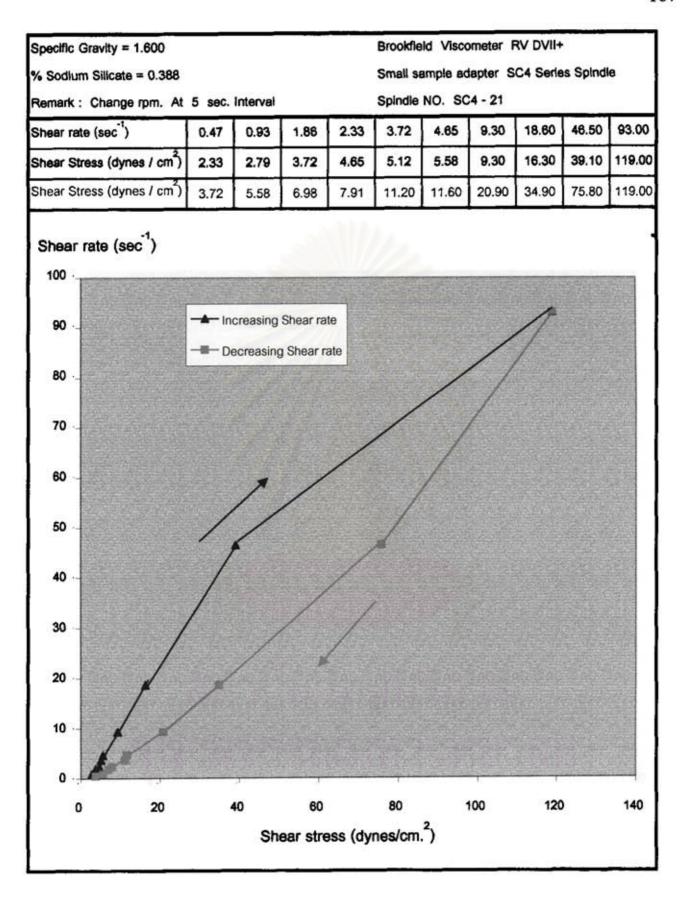


Fig. 6.81 Shear response of MT added 0.1 % HVC Extractable humic acid (shear rate - shear stress curve)

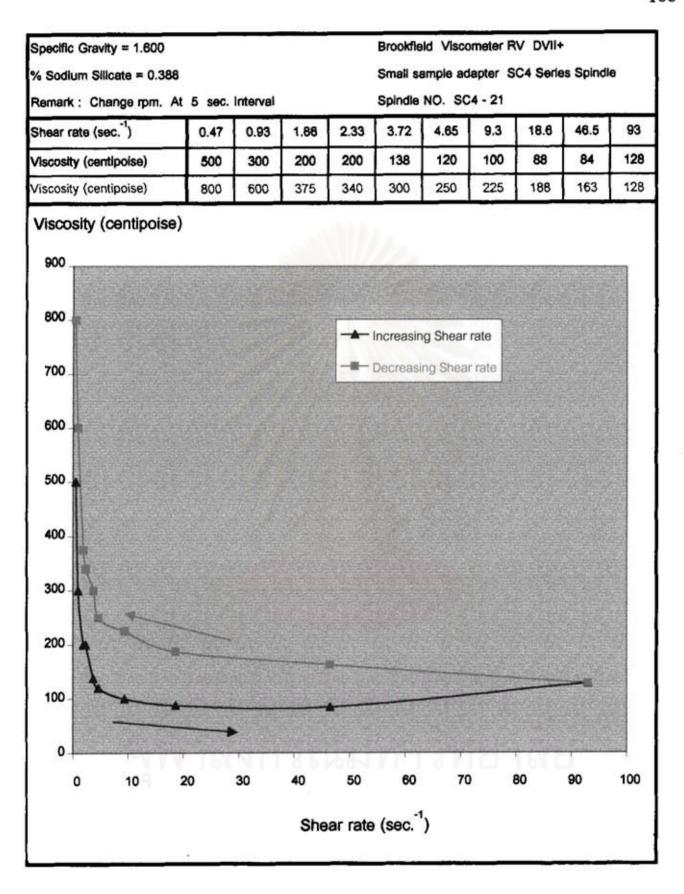


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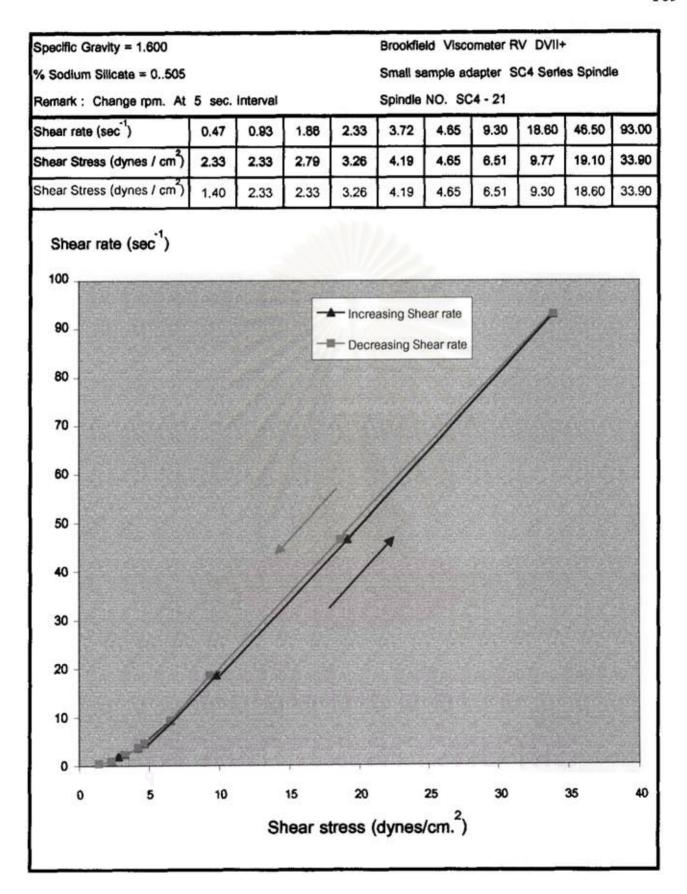


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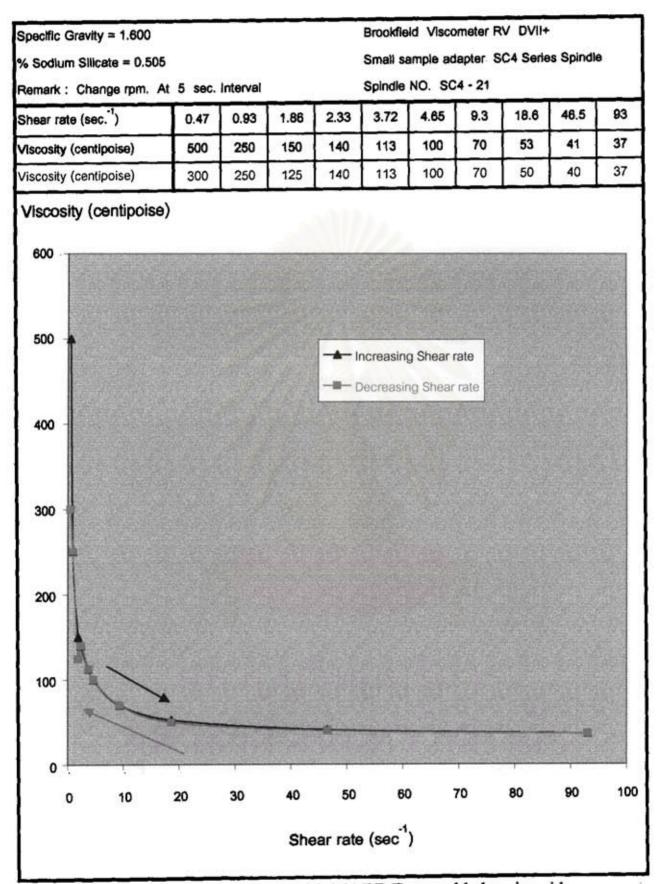


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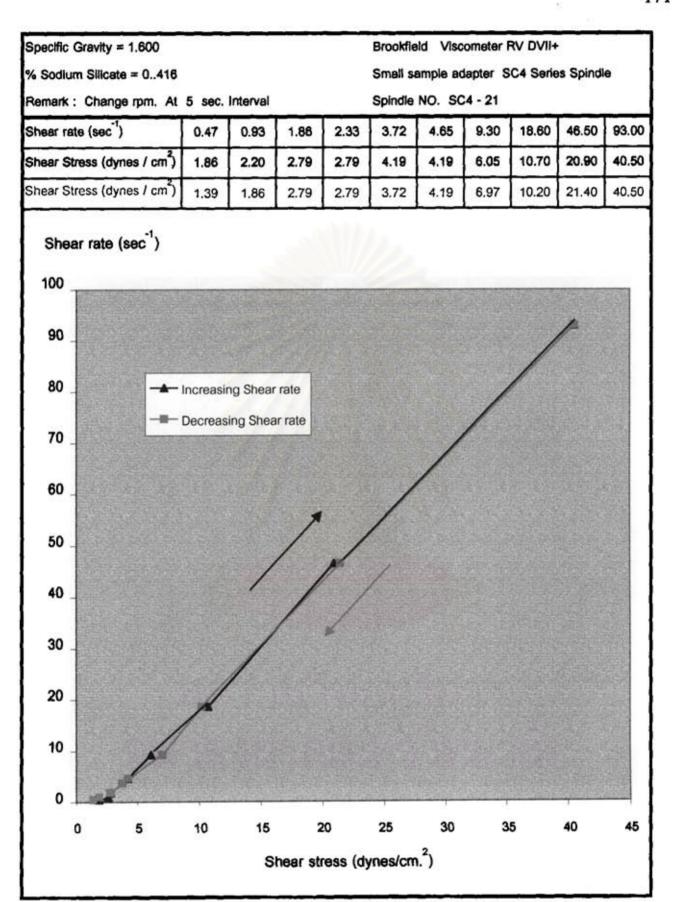


Fig. 6.85 Shear response of MT added 0.1 % Commercial humic acid (shear rate - shear stress curve)

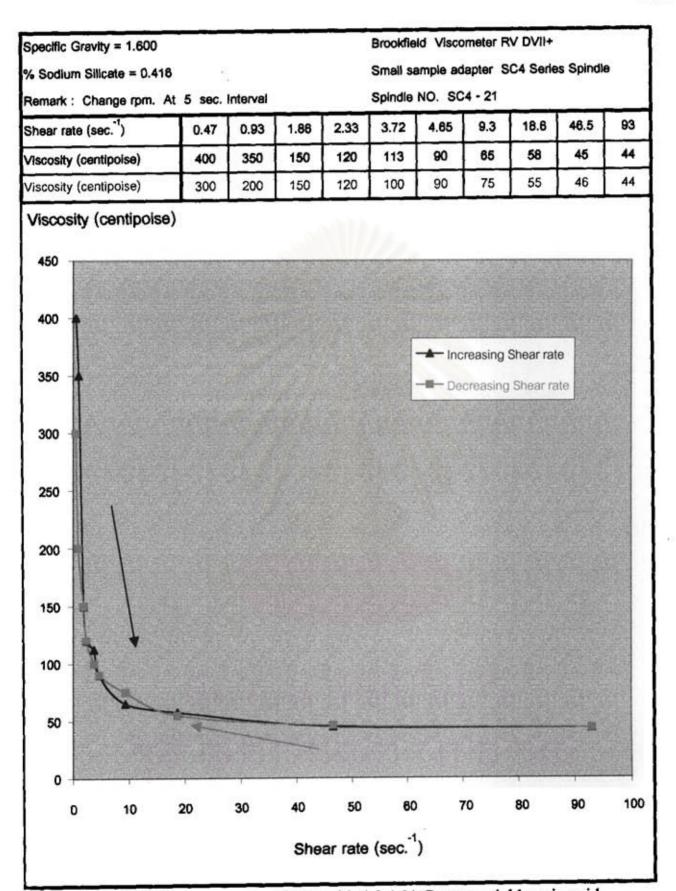


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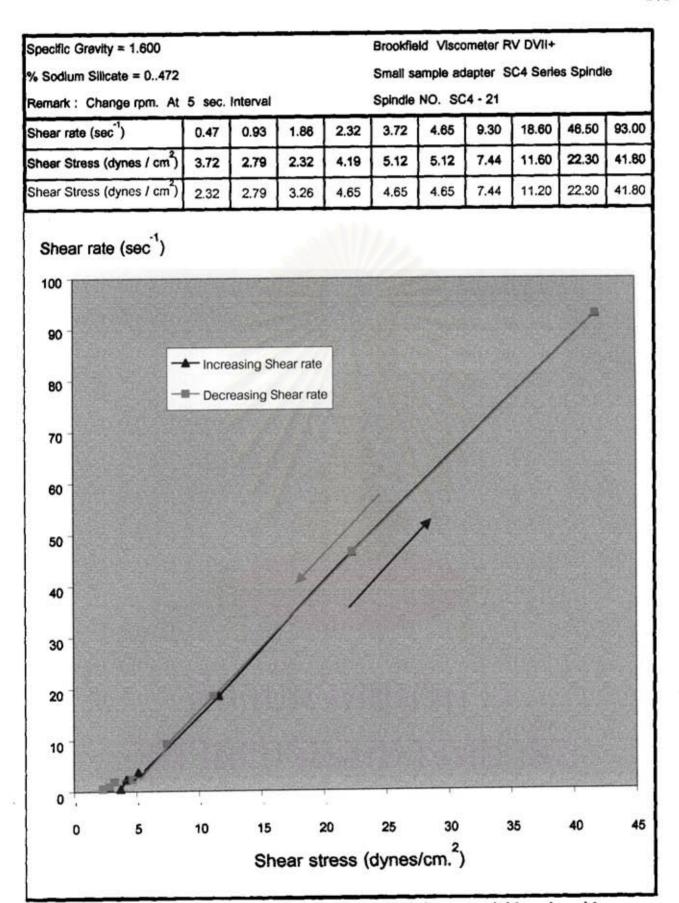


Fig. 6.87 Shear response of MT added 0.2 % Commercial humic acid (shear rate - shear stress curve).

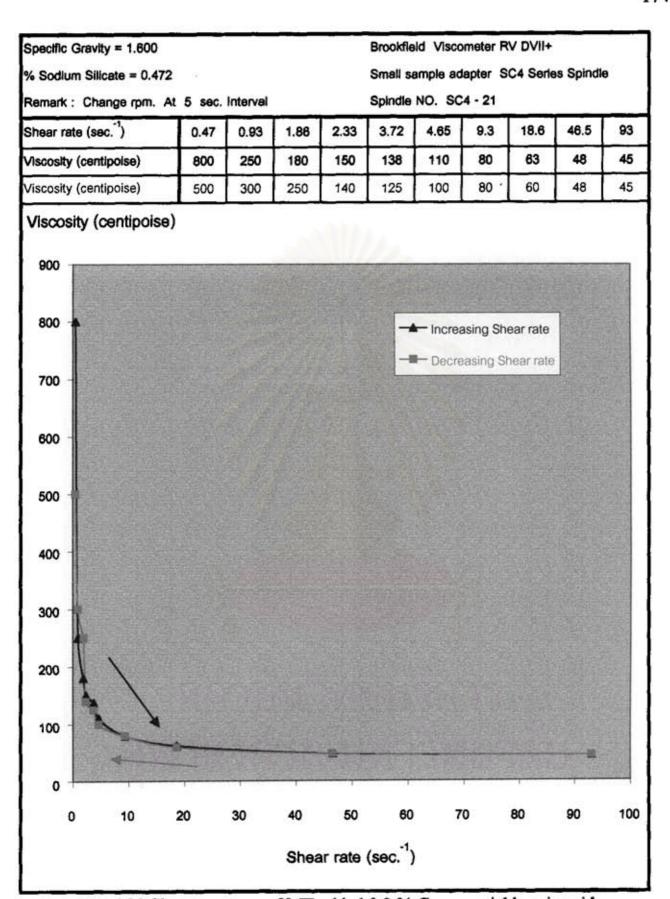


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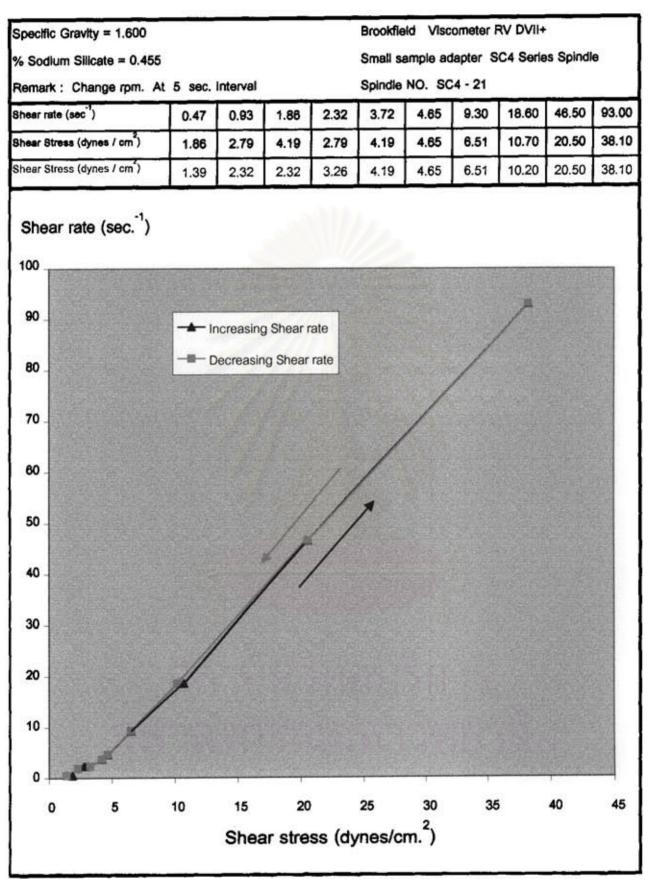


Fig. 6.89 Shear response of MT added 0.3 % Commercial humic acid (shear rate - shear stress curve)

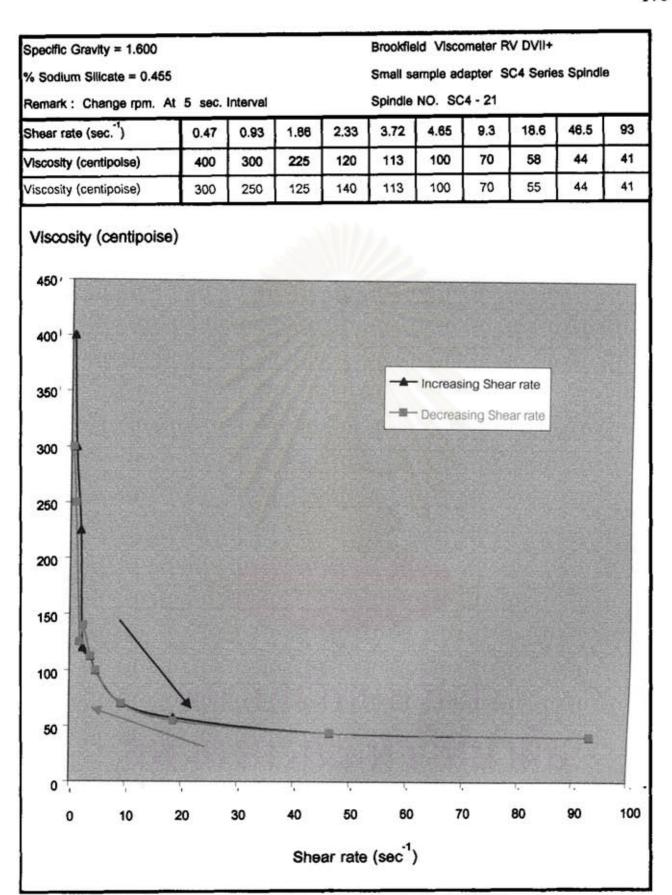


Fig. 6.90 Shear response of MT added 0.3 % Humic ligno (shear rate - viscosity curve)

6.4.5 Casting Properties

Table 6.6 Casting Properties of Ball Clays

Samples	——	 - I -		-	— II	 		— —	- III		-
Casting	MS	MVW	мт	SB-75	нус	REX	BB	JК	KK	WN	PC
Properties		 						<u> </u>	 	ļ	
Specific Gravity (gm/ml)	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.63	1.63	1.63	1,63	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.55
% Sodium Silicate	0.500	0.970	0.344	0.330	0,403	0.350	0,800	0.700	1.500	0.500	0.775
Viscosity (centipoise)	62	700	96	206	196	68	478	1746	1070	558	340
Overswing	355	345	355	343	345	355	345	315	260	325	345
Thixo (1 min.)	1	40	1	1	3	5	9	-	50	3	5
Cast Rate 30 min.(mm.)	1.8	3.0	5.0	1,5	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	3.0	1.5	1.5
Baroid Wet Cake (gm.)	40.14	57.43	97.10	27.61	48.43	50.40	47.75	31.16	28.24	20.22	23,89
Dry Cake (gm.)	29.91	39.06	68.31	20.89	35.91	38.69	35.98	20.23	19.18	14.47	16.57
%Water Retention	25.49	31.99	29.65	24.43	25.86	23.23	24.65	35.08	32.08	27.07	30.64
Weight of Filtrate (gm.)	10.57	7.81	21.28	4.49	7.70	11.76	8.11	4.43	4.20	4.95	4.09

Table 6.7 Casting Properties of MT and MT added with different sources of humic acid

Samples Casting Properties	мт	MT + 0.1 % HVC Humic acid	MT + 0.1 % BB Humic acid
Specific Gravity (gm/ml)	1.60	1.60	1.60
% Sodium Silicate	0.333	0.388	0.505
Viscosity (centinoise) Overswing	110	156	86
	355	350	350
Thixo (1 min.)	0	1	0
Cast Rate 30min.	3.8	4.7	2.0
Baroid Wet Cake (gm.)	80.34	99.97	43.88
Dry Cake (gm.)	58.94	73.42	33.53
% Water Retention	26.64	26.56	23.59
Weight of Filtrate (gm.)	16.75	16.37	10.67

Table 6.8 Casting Properties of MT added with different contents of commercial humic acid.

Samples	MT +	MT +	MT +
Casting Properties	0.1 % Commercial humic acid	0.2 % Commercial humic acid	0.3 % Commercial humic acid
Specific Gravity (gm/ml)	1.60	1.60	1.60
% Sodium Silicate	0.416	0.472	0.455
Viscosity (centinoise)	86	114	104
Overswing	351	350	351
Thixo (1 min.)	1	0	0
Cast Rate 30 min. (mm.)	3.0	2.8	2.5
Baroid Wet Cake (gm.)	60.85	58.17	52.19
Dry Cake (gm.)	45.35	44.20	39.78
% Water Retention	25.47	24.03	23.78
Weight of Filtrate (gm.)	12.97	12.24	11.25

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