

Application Note

/// Viscosity measurement of varnish samples

PRODUCT

ROTAVISC hi-vi I Complete (0025000312)
labworldsoft® 6 Visc (0020101872)
MICROSTAR 15 digital (0025004883)
R 1342 Propeller stirrer (0000741000)

INDUSTRY

Chemical

TASK / OVERVIEW

The task was to find a suitable viscometer to measure varnish samples directly in the varnish vessel. For this purpose, the relative measuring spindles that are included in the scope of delivery of the ROTAVISC hi-vi I were utilized. Five varnish samples were measured with a rotational viscometer to determine a reproducible measuring method.

EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

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|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Viscometer | ROTAVISC hi-vi I |
| Spindles | SP 8 – 11 |
| Sample vessel | Customer's varnish vessel |
| Speed | 10 – 130 rpm |
| Sample temperature | 23 °C |
| Measuring time | 1 min |

The varnish was tempered to 23 °C. Thereafter, it was stirred for one minute with the IKA overhead stirrer MICROSTAR 15 digital and the propeller stirrer R 1342 (diameter 50 mm) at approx. 900 rpm. After the sample was homogenized, its viscosity was measured with the rotational viscometer ROTAVISC hi-vi I and the spindles 8 – 11 at 10 – 130 rpm. After each minute, the measured value was recorded.

SAMPLE MATERIAL

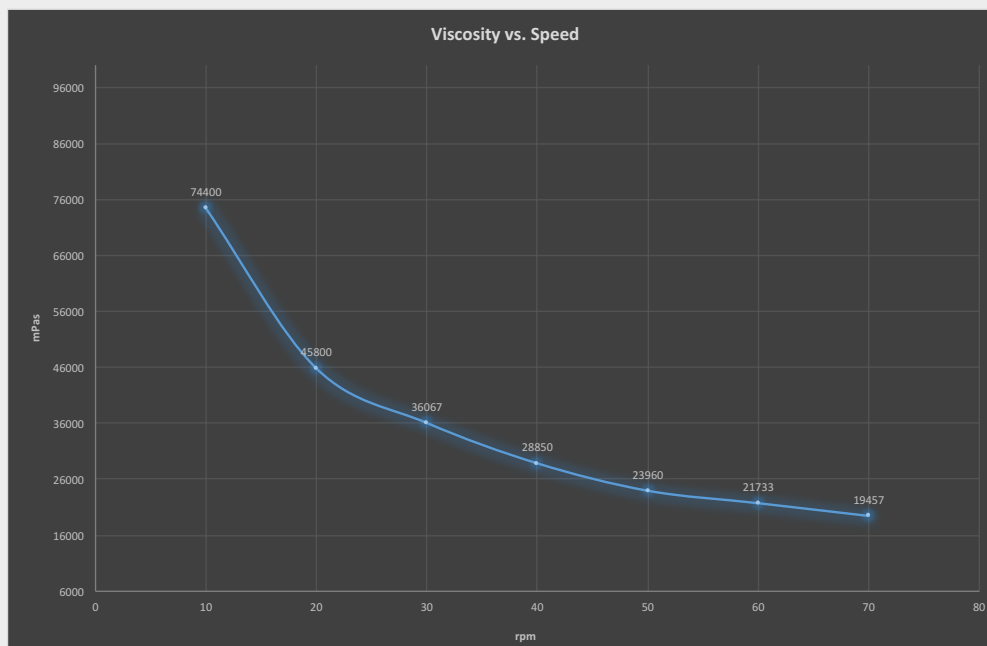
5 varnishes with different product features



RESULTS UV putty dark oak

| Speed | Viscosity | M |
|--------|------------|--------|
| 10 rpm | 74400 mPas | 37.2 % |
| 20 rpm | 45800 mPas | 45.8 % |
| 30 rpm | 36067 mPas | 54.1 % |
| 40 rpm | 28850 mPas | 57.7 % |
| 50 rpm | 23960 mPas | 59.9 % |
| 60 rpm | 21733 mPas | 65.2 % |
| 70 rpm | 19457 mPas | 68.1 % |

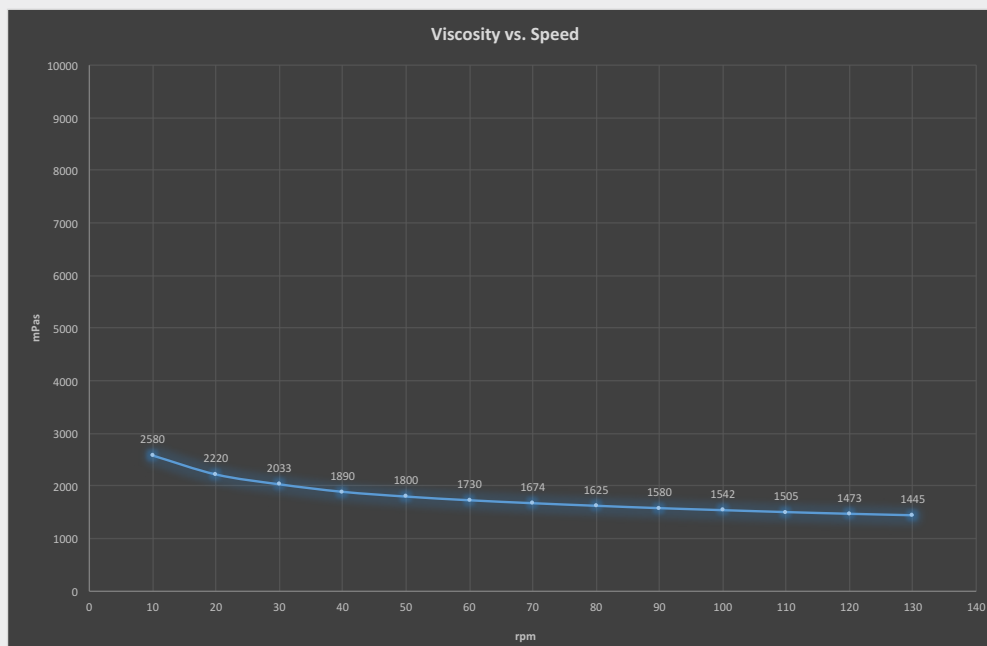
UV putty dark oak



RESULTS hydro textured paint Pure White

| Speed | Viscosity | M |
|---------|-----------|--------|
| 10 rpm | 2580 mPas | 12.8 % |
| 20 rpm | 2220 mPas | 22.2 % |
| 30 rpm | 2033 mPas | 30.5 % |
| 40 rpm | 1890 mPas | 37.8 % |
| 50 rpm | 1800 mPas | 45 % |
| 60 rpm | 1730 mPas | 51.9 % |
| 70 rpm | 1674 mPas | 58.6 % |
| 80 rpm | 1625 mPas | 65 % |
| 90 rpm | 1580 mPas | 71.1 % |
| 100 rpm | 1542 mPas | 77.1 % |
| 110 rpm | 1505 mPas | 82.8 % |
| 120 rpm | 1473 mPas | 88.4 % |
| 130 rpm | 1445 mPas | 93.9 % |

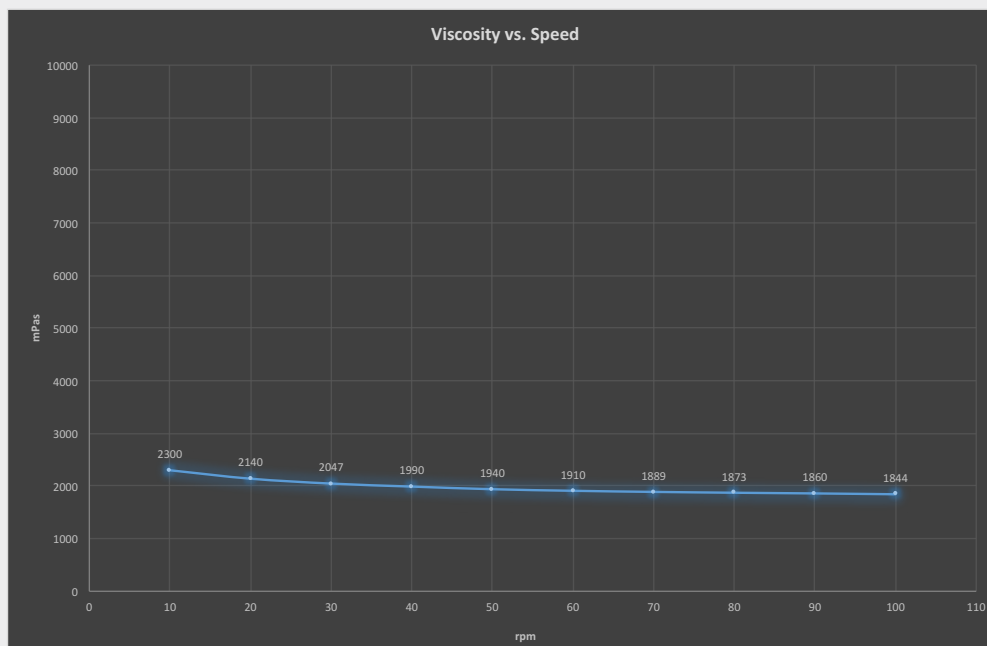
Hydro textured paint Pure White



RESULT hydro base coat blue-grey RAL 7031

| Speed | Viscosity | M |
|---------|-----------|--------|
| 10 rpm | 2300 mPas | 11.5 % |
| 20 rpm | 2140 mPas | 21.4 % |
| 30 rpm | 2047 mPas | 30.7 % |
| 40 rpm | 1990 mPas | 39.8 % |
| 50 rpm | 1940 mPas | 48.5 % |
| 60 rpm | 1910 mPas | 57.3 % |
| 70 rpm | 1889 mPas | 66.1 % |
| 80 rpm | 1873 mPas | 74.9 % |
| 90 rpm | 1860 mPas | 83.7 % |
| 100 rpm | 1844 mPas | 92.2 % |

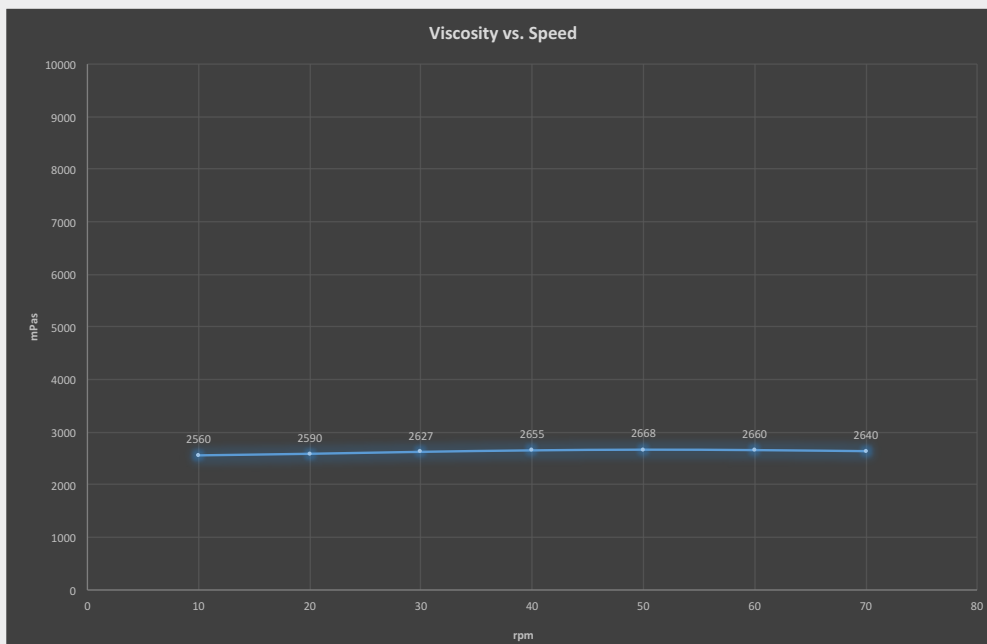
Hydro base coat blue-grey RAL 7031



RESULT hydro varnish colorless

| Speed | Viscosity | M |
|--------|-----------|--------|
| 10 rpm | 2560 mPas | 12.8 % |
| 20 rpm | 2590 mPas | 25.9 % |
| 30 rpm | 2627 mPas | 39.4 % |
| 40 rpm | 2655 mPas | 53.1 % |
| 50 rpm | 2668 mPas | 66.7 % |
| 60 rpm | 2660 mPas | 79.8 % |
| 70 rpm | 2640 mPas | 92.4 % |

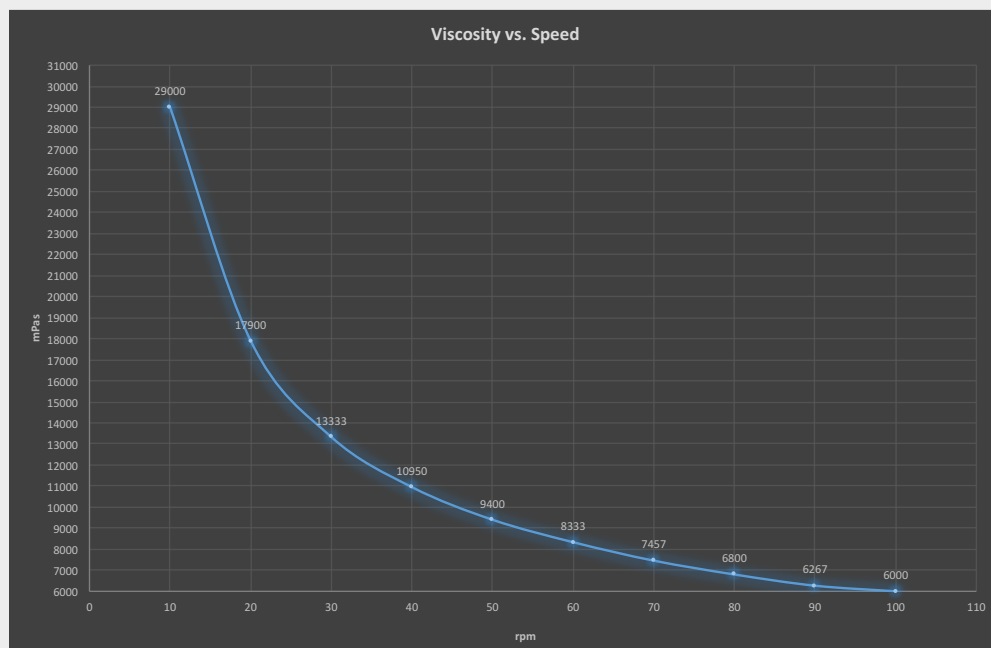
Hydro varnish colorless



RESULT hydro top coat iron gray RAL 7011

| Speed | Viscosity | M |
|---------|------------|--------|
| 10 rpm | 29000 mPas | 14.5 % |
| 20 rpm | 17900 mPas | 17.9 % |
| 30 rpm | 13333 mPas | 20 % |
| 40 rpm | 10950 mPas | 21.9 % |
| 50 rpm | 9400 mPas | 23.5 % |
| 60 rpm | 8333 mPas | 25 % |
| 70 rpm | 7457 mPas | 26 % |
| 80 rpm | 6800 mPas | 27.2 % |
| 90 rpm | 6267 mPas | 28.2 % |
| 100 rpm | 6000 mPas | 30 % |

Hydro top coat iron gray RAL 7011



Different varnish formulations reveal different viscosity trends - while some varnishes are shear-stable, other varnish compositions can be highly shear-thinning. In summary, the viscosity of all varnishes can be determined reliably and with ease.

