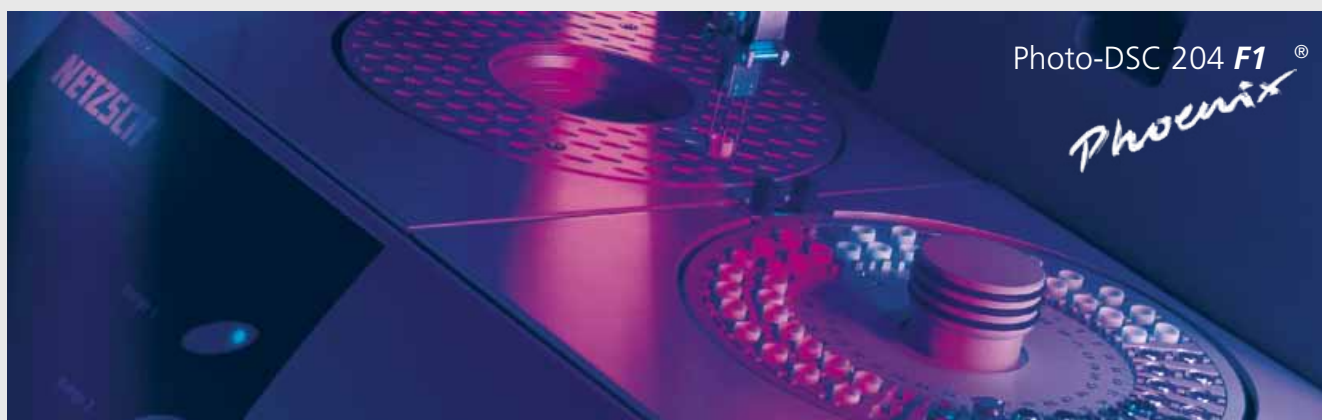


Photocalorimetry – Photo-DSC

Method, Technique, Applications



Advantages of Photocalorimetry

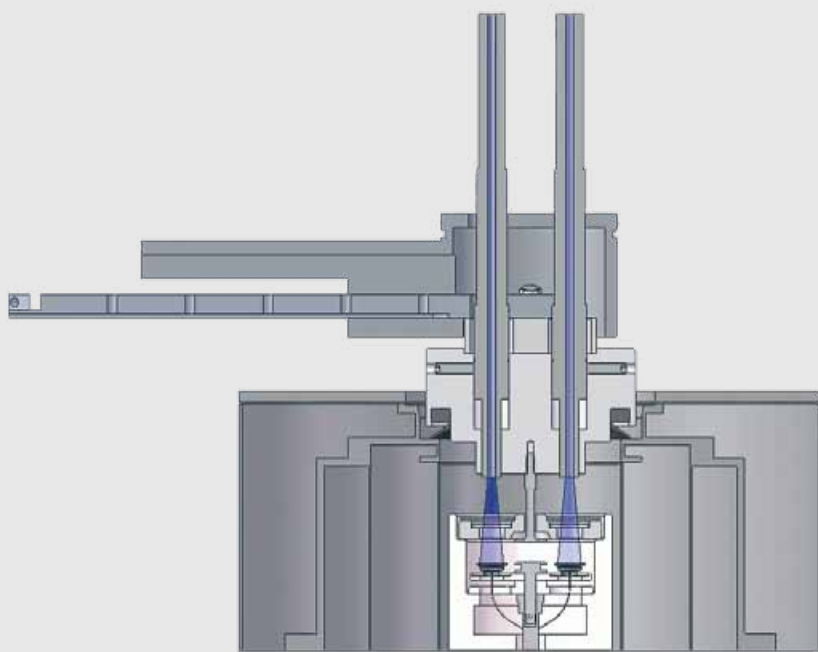
Besides thermally activated reactions, which can be studied by conventional Differential Scanning Calorimetry (DSC), many polyadditions and radical polymerizations can also be started by irradiation with sufficiently high energy.

The main advantages of light- (normally UV-) curing systems are their fast reaction – within a few seconds at low isothermal temperature – and their absence of solvents.

Often, a combination of thermal and light curing reactions is applied to dual cure adhesives or paints.

Your Benefits

- extending the DSC technique with light radiation capability
- analyzing photo-initiated reactions in a broad variety of materials
- measuring the light curing of polymer resins, paints, coatings and adhesives (degree of cross-linking)
- studying the influence of UV stabilizers in pharmaceuticals, cosmetics and foods (aging effects)
- selecting temperature, atmosphere, light intensity, wave length and exposure time
- determining the reactivity and curing time of dental composites



Cell design of the Photo-DSC 204 **F1 Phoenix**[®]



DSC 204 **F1** Phoenix® with Hg-Lamp OmniCure® S 2000

Technical Specification

Temperature range	-100°C to 200°C	
Crucibles	open Aluminum	
Recommended Hg-Lamp types	DELOLUX 04	OmniCure® S 2000
Max. Power	9.9 W/cm ²	>10 W/cm ²
Wavelength range	315 nm to 500 nm*	320 nm to 500 nm*
Irradiation time	0.1 s to 1000 s	0.2 s to 1000 s
Existing orifice diameter	8 mm, 4 mm, 2 mm	8 mm, 4 mm, 2 mm
Life Time (Lamp)	1500 h	2000 h

*variable and extendable with various filters

Highest Flexibility

- gas-tight heat flux DSC cell
- purge gas control by mass flow controller (MFC)
- adaptability of various commercial lamps to the DSC
- adjustable light guides with defined distance to the DSC cell
- automatic cover lift for easy handling and reproducible test results
- measurements with Automatic Sample Changer (optional)

Photo-DSC 204 **F1 Phoenix**[®] – Various Applications

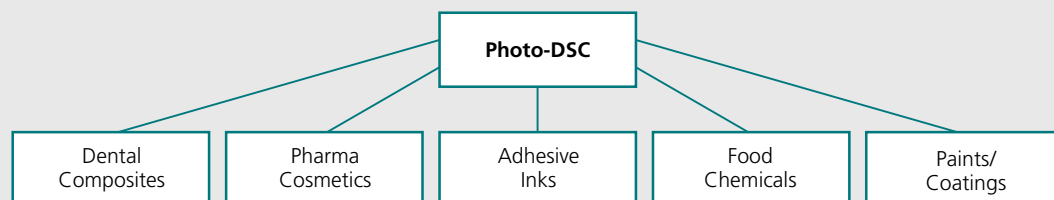
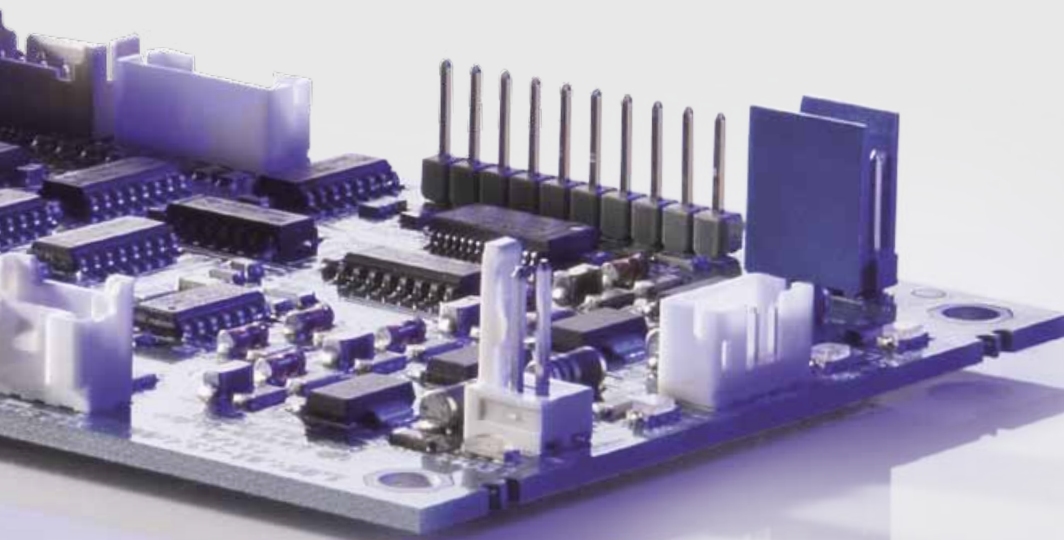
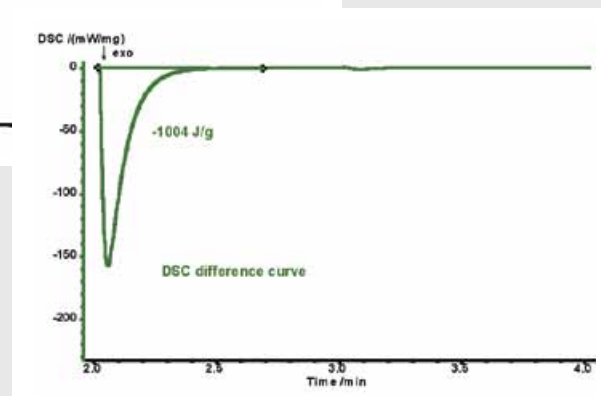
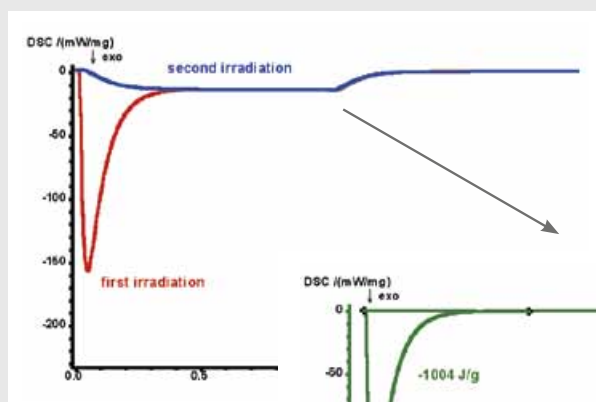


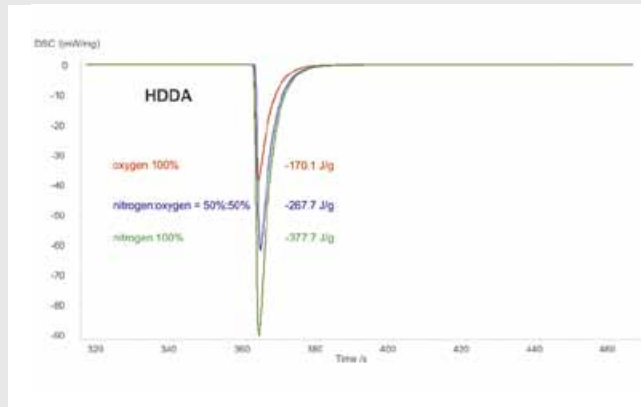
Photo-DSC Measurement and Evaluation

Sample and reference are irradiated with UV light at a constant temperature until the sample is cured. Afterwards, the already cured sample and the reference are irradiated for a second time for the same duration and at the same temperature. Finally, the difference between the first and the second irradiation is calculated to determine the pure heat of reaction (curve subtraction).



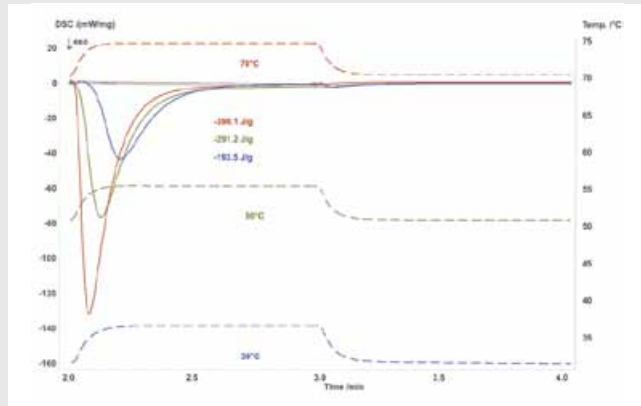
Paints

The irradiation for 1 s of a sample of hexandiol diacrylate (HDDA) was investigated using three different atmospheres. The heat of cross-linking is at its highest under an inert atmosphere of 100% nitrogen (green curve) with 378 J/g. A mixture of 50% nitrogen and 50% oxygen yields 268 J/g (blue curve), a pure oxygen atmosphere only 170 J/g (red curve). There is obviously a competitive reaction due to the influence of oxygen.



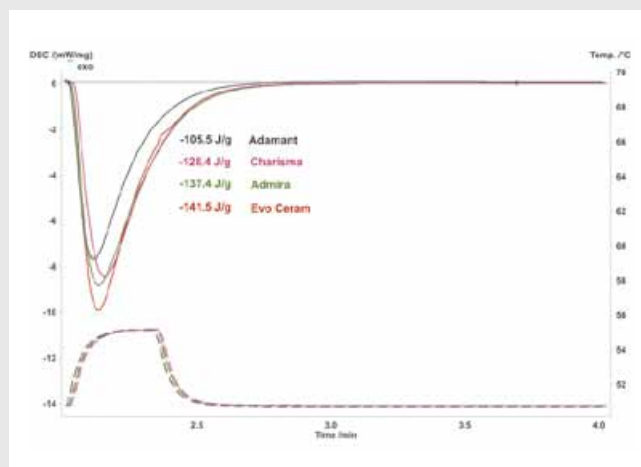
Adhesives

The fluorescent one-component modified epoxy resin is activated with visible light of 400 nm to 500 nm. A cationic curing mechanism allows the adhesive to cure after having assembled the different components. A higher temperature accelerates this reaction. The adhesive is used for bonding metal, glass, or plastics and especially for stress-equalizing bonding or sealing products.

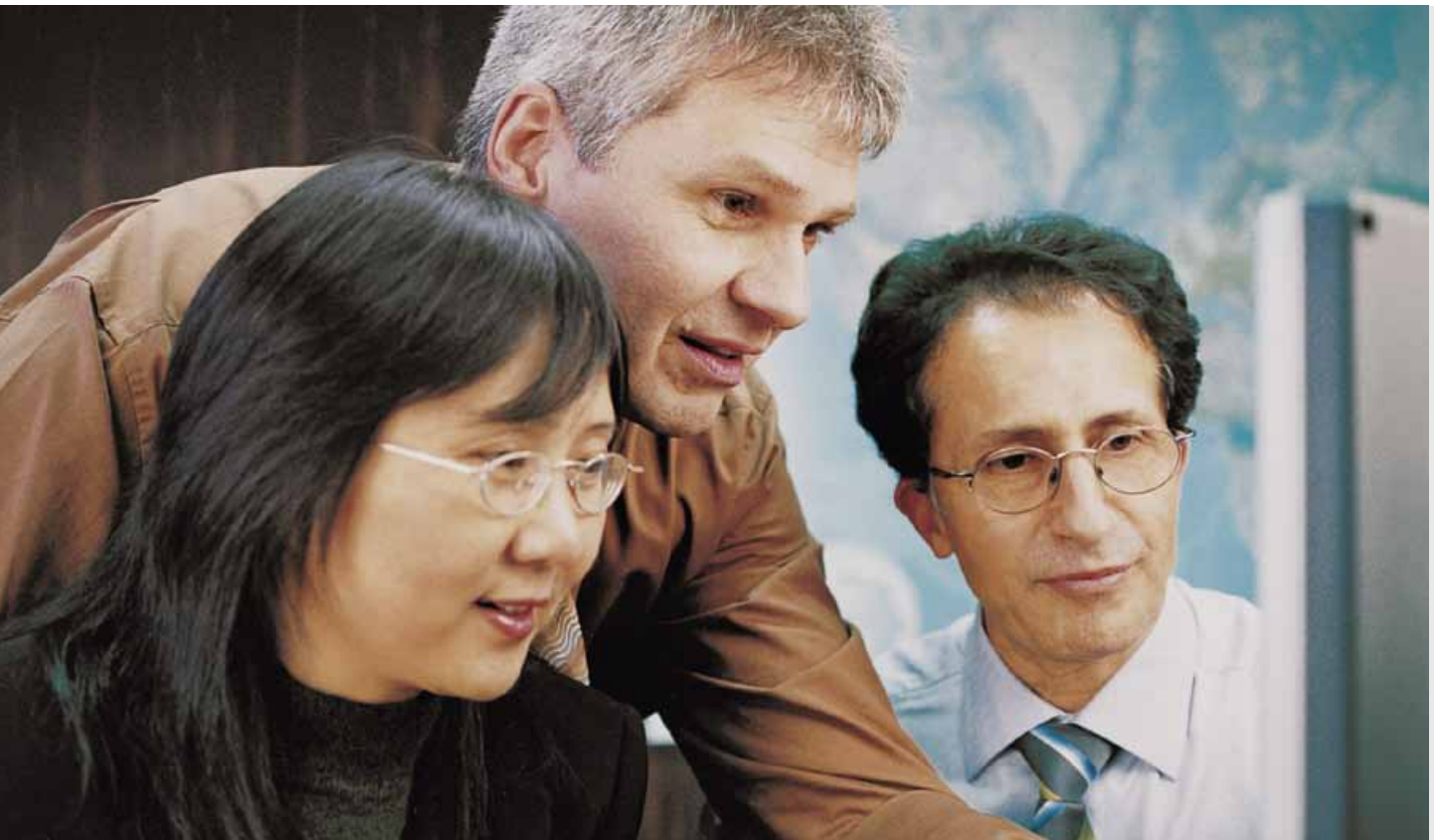


Dental Composites

In dental applications, light-curing dental composites are used as restoratives (fillings) or veneering materials. The materials are generally composed of methacrylate systems such as bis-glycol-dimethacrylate (bis-GMA) or urethane dimethacrylate (UDMA). Additional monomers are used as diluent or to guarantee the cross-linking abilities of the resin. Inorganic fillers up to 80 weight percent improve the mechanical properties and reduce shrinkage during cross-linking.



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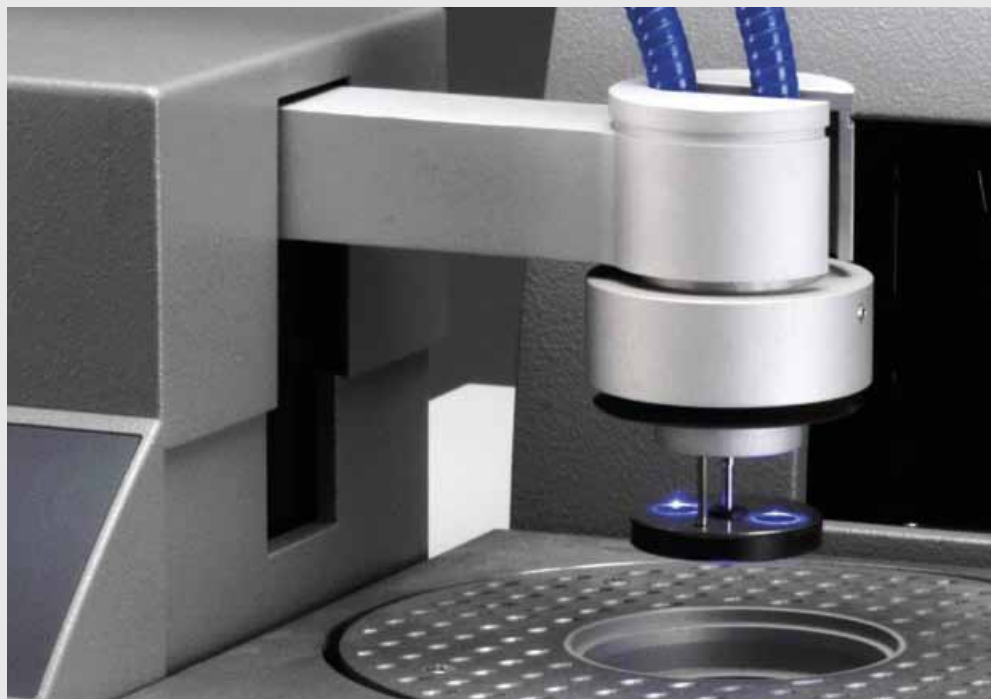
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