



Novel Low Loss Polymer for Advanced IC Packaging

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Introduction of JSR Group

Year of Establishment

1957

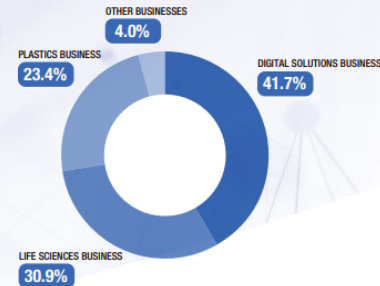
In 1957, when petrochemical products were indispensable for industrial development, Japan Synthetic Rubber Co., Ltd., now JSR Corporation, was established with the mission of domestically producing synthetic rubber.



Revenue Breakdown
by Business Segment (FY2022)

408.9 billion yen

62.2% of these sales are overseas.



Number of
business sites **47**

* As of April 1, 2023

The JSR Group operates in 19 locations in Japan and 28 locations overseas.



R&D Expenses

27 billion yen

* FY2022 results (April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023)
* Whole JSR Group, including contract research expense of goods purchased.

We are committed to research and development for future technologies.

Number of Employees

7,994

* Number of consolidated employees as of March 31, 2023.

Of this number, 4,353 employees work at overseas business sites.



Percentage of annual paid leave taken

88.8%

* FY2022 results including employees seconded from JSR.
(April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023)

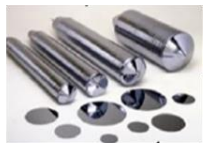
We encourage a work-life balance.



JSR Semiconductor Materials

Front-end

1. Slicing Substrate



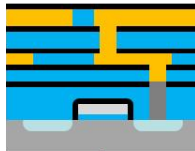
2. Resists coating/ Exposure



3. CMP



4. Multilayer wiring

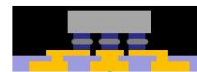


Back-end

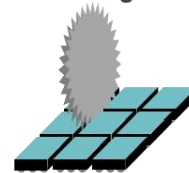
5. Temporary bonding /Wire formation



6. Cleaning



7. Dicing



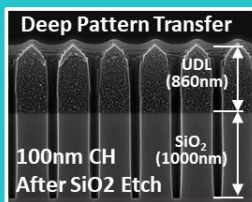
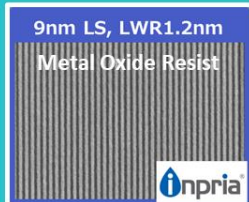
8. Packaging



Lithography Materials

Driving technical viability of semiconductors.
Strong position and market share expansion in leading-edge fields.

Photoresists (EUV, ArF, KrF, i/g line) (Underlayer, Topcoats, SOG)



Process Materials

Adopted in advanced applications/layers.
Aiming to increase adoption opportunities as processes become more complex.

CMP materials



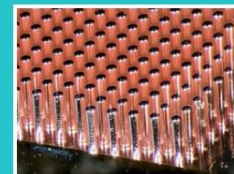
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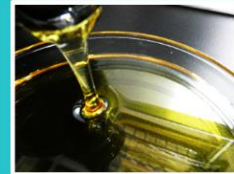
Advanced Packaging Materials

Strong position in WLP.
Aiming to develop new materials including 3D mounting and substrates.

Thick Layer photoresists
Cu Pillar(Plating PR)



Raw materials
for IC-Substrate/PCB
(NEW) HC-G series



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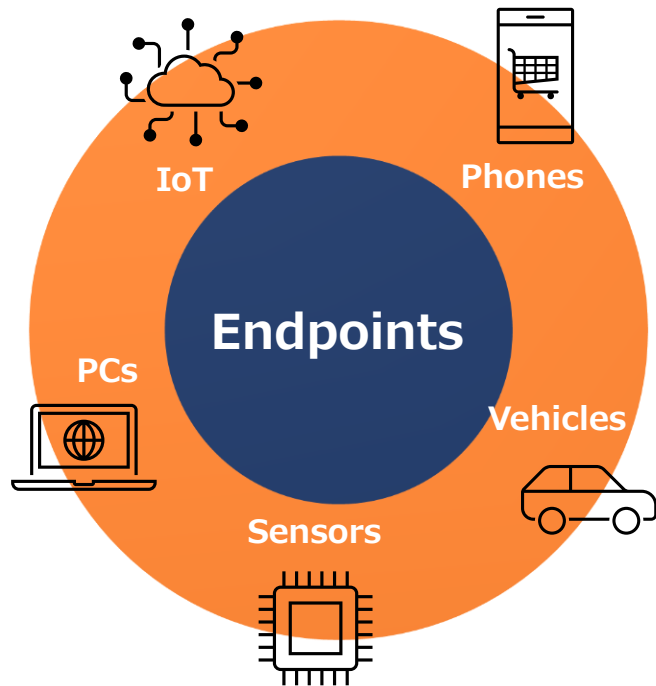
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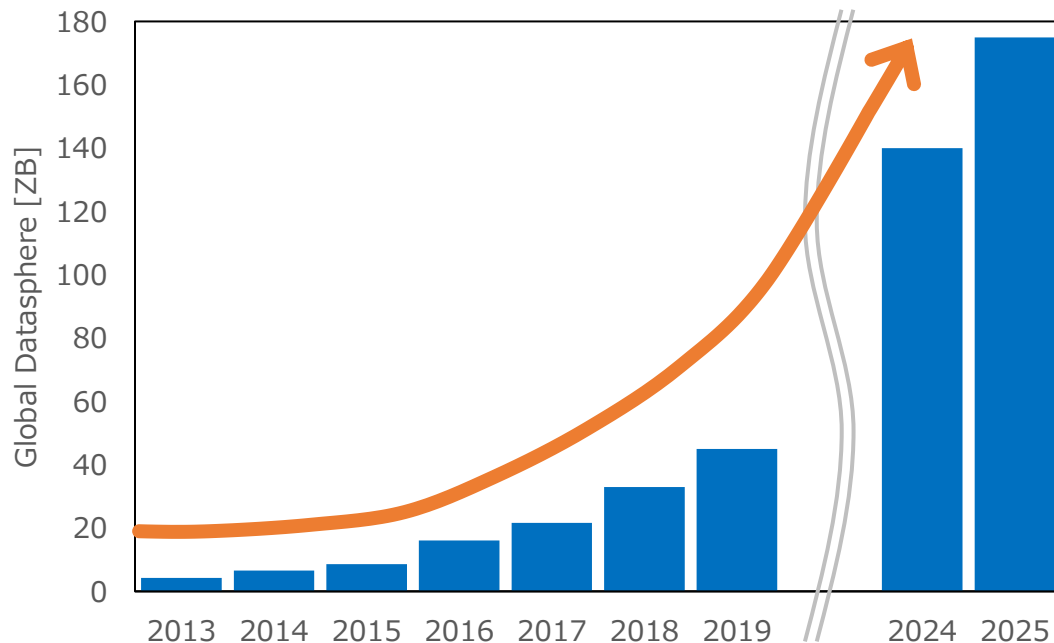
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Growth of the Global Datasphere

- ◆ Global datasphere is significantly increasing with the growth of the information society



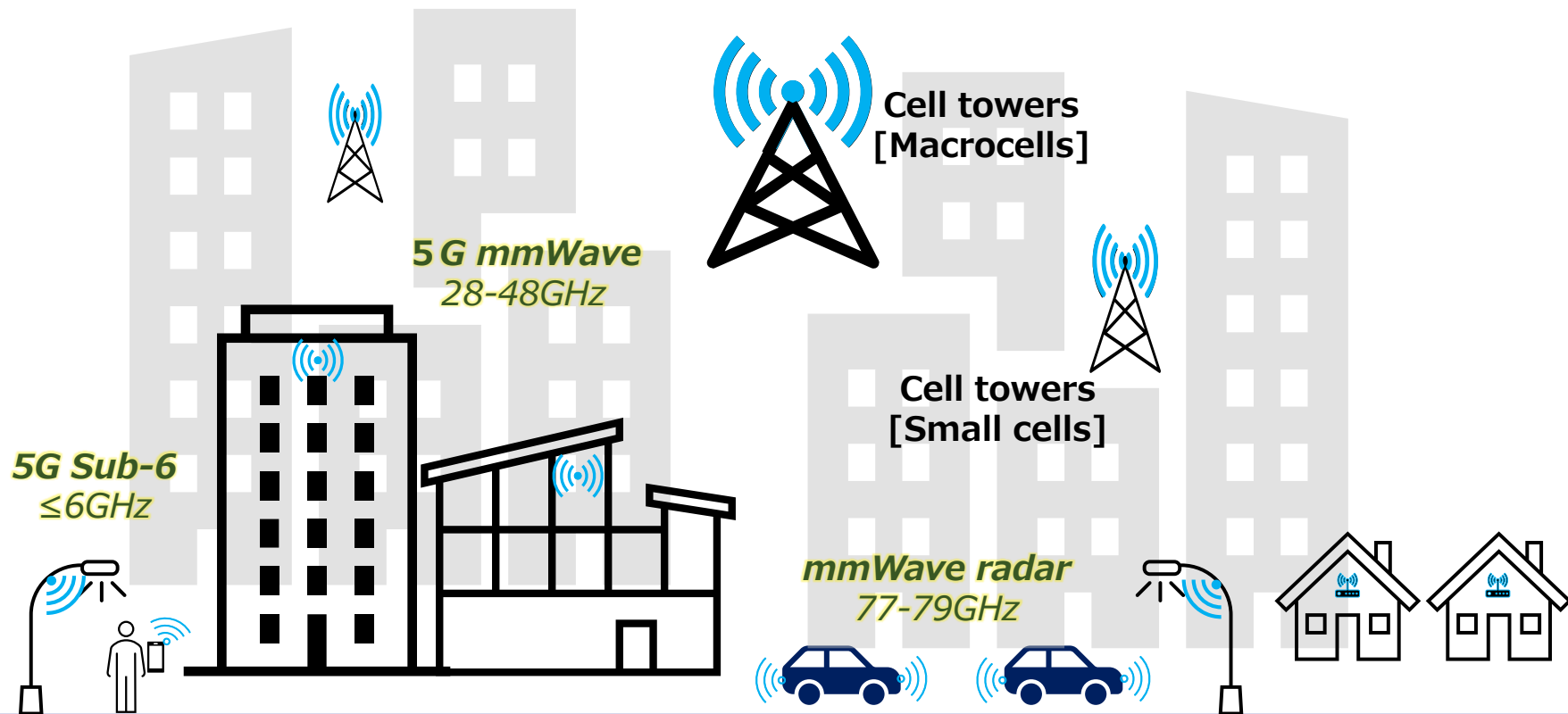
Annual Size of the Global Datasphere



Source: IDC Global DataSphere

Solution for High-speed Telecommunications

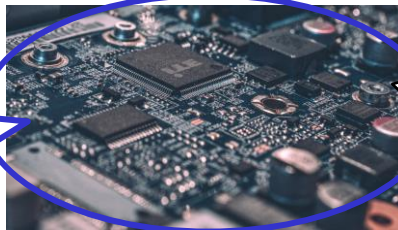
- ◆ High frequency signals enable high-speed telecommunications



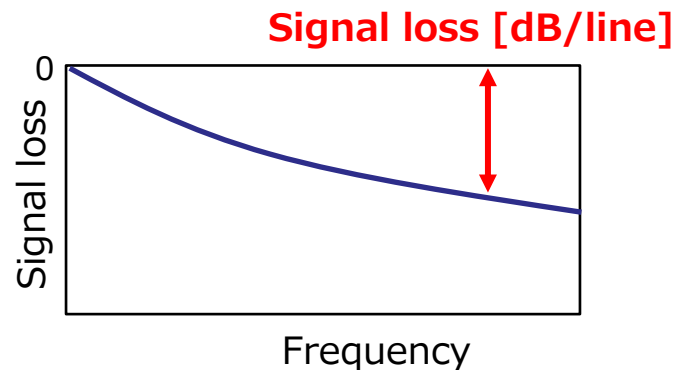
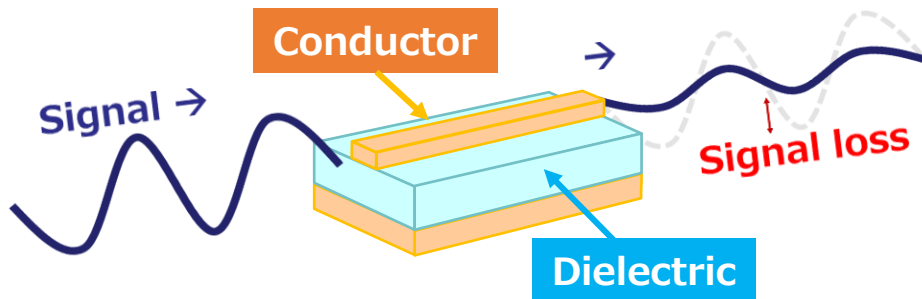
Challenges at High Frequency

- ◆ IC-Substrate and PCB require low loss materials due to long signal transmission paths

Motherboard
Size ~485 mm



IC-Substrate
Size ~100 mm

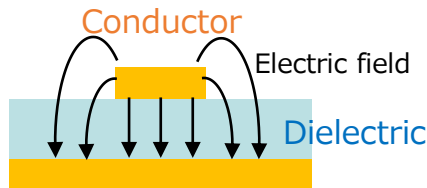


Requirements of Low Loss Materials

- ◆ Transmission loss = “Dielectric loss” + “Conductor loss”
- ◆ The low transmission loss requires a dielectric with low Dk/Df and good adhesion

Dielectric loss → Dk, Df

$$\text{Dielectric loss} = k \times f \times \sqrt{Dk} \times Df$$

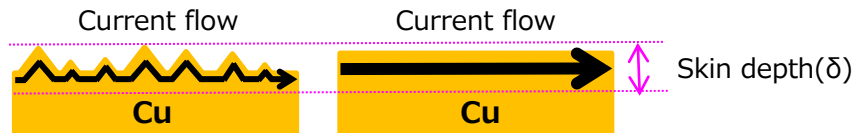


k: constant
f: frequency
Dk: Dielectric constant
Df: Dissipation factor

• Dielectric loss is proportional to frequency, $\sqrt{Dk}$ and Df.

Key: Low Dk, Df

Conductor loss → Skin effect



$$\text{Skin depth } \delta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi f \mu_0 \sigma}}$$

f: frequency
 μ : permeability
 σ : conductivity

• Surface roughness is significant at high frequencies due to the skin effect.

Key: Adhesion to smooth Cu

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Design of Low Loss Material

◆ Dielectric constant (Dk)

Clausius–Mossotti equation

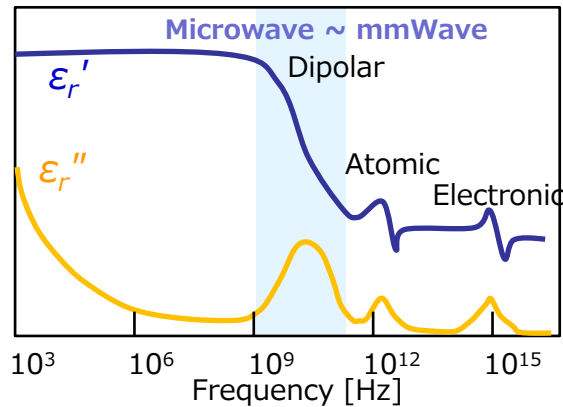
$$Dk = (1 + 2 \frac{P_m}{V_m}) / (1 - \frac{P_m}{V_m})$$

P_m : Molar polarizability, V_m : Molar volume

To achieve low Dk

- ✓ Smaller P_m
= Low polarity design of a molecule
- ✓ Larger V_m
= Design of large molecular volume

◆ Dissipation factor (Df)



$$Df (= \tan \delta) = \frac{\epsilon_r''}{\epsilon_r'}$$

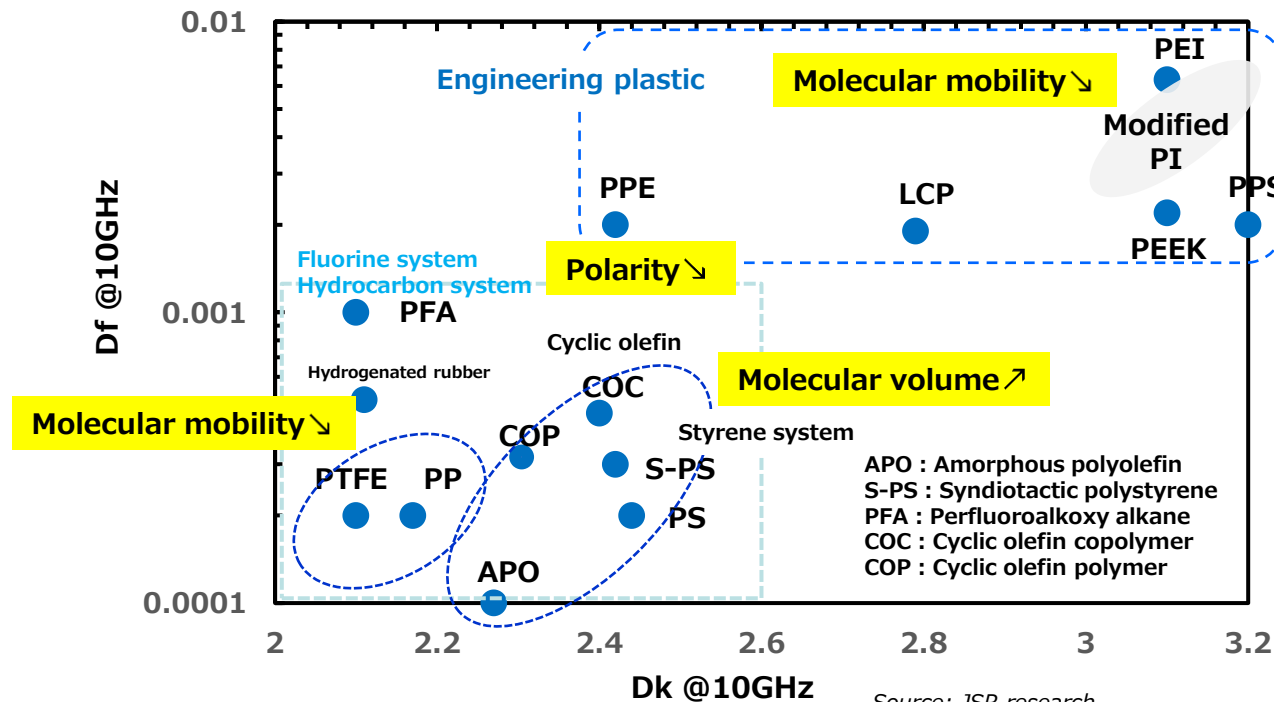
(ϵ_r' : The real part of permittivity, ϵ_r'' : The imaginary part of permittivity)

To achieve low Df

- ✓ Low overall permittivity
= To suppress dipole orientation of a molecule

Existing Low Loss Material

- ◆ A low Dk/Df polymer can be designed using the following strategies: ①low polarity structure, ②inhibition of molecular mobility and ③large molecular volume

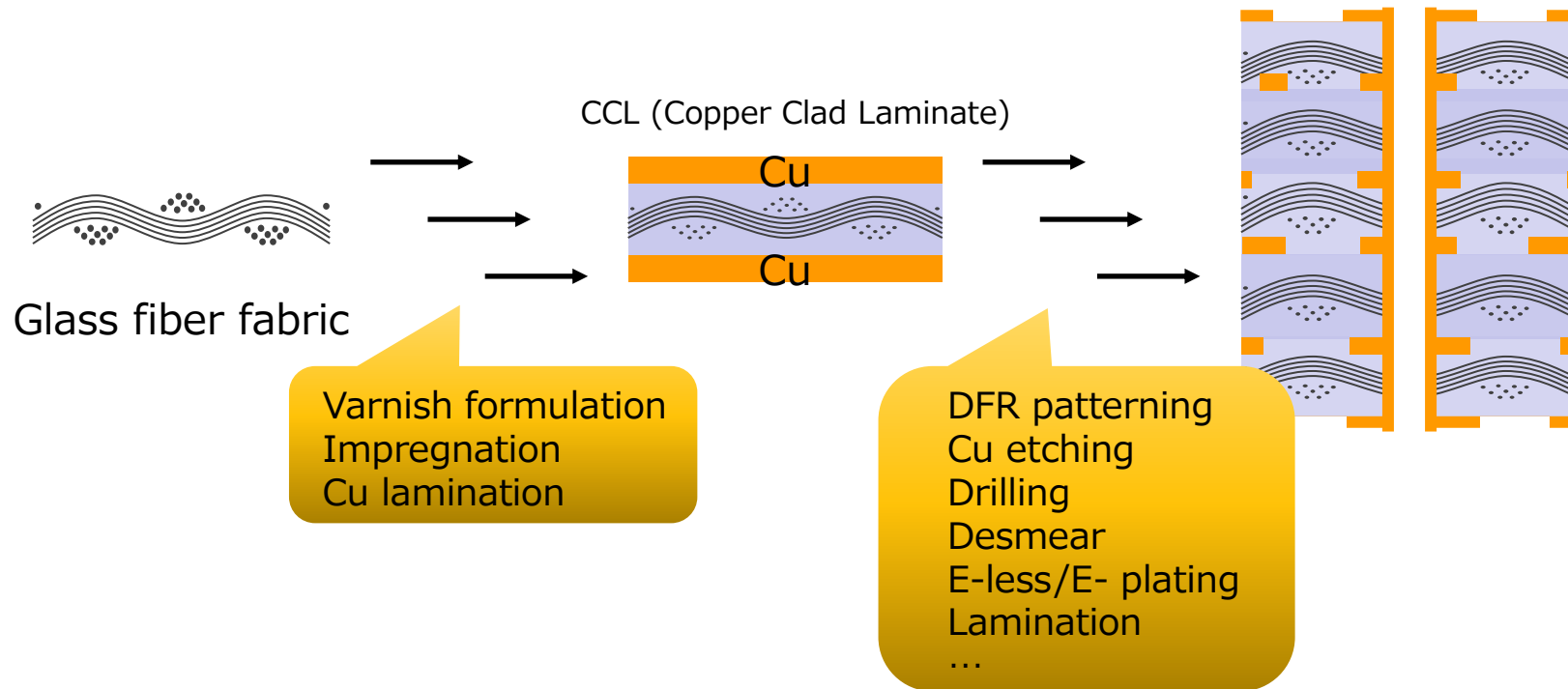


Source: JSR research

Development of Substrate Materials for Electronics Package CMC P115

Requirement of Multilayer Lamination

- ◆ For manufacturing a CCL and a multilayer lamination, numerous steps are required



Requirement of Multilayer Lamination

- ◆ A material for multilayer lamination requires low loss properties as well as process compatibility

Varnish

- Compatibilities
- Impregnation property

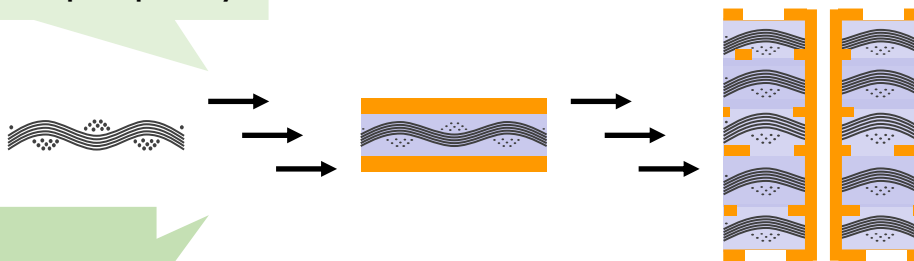
- Solder heat resistance
- Electrical insulation reliability

Film

- Adhesion to Cu
- Resin flow property

- Adhesion to plating
- Drilling compatibility

- Thermal stability
- Chemical resistance



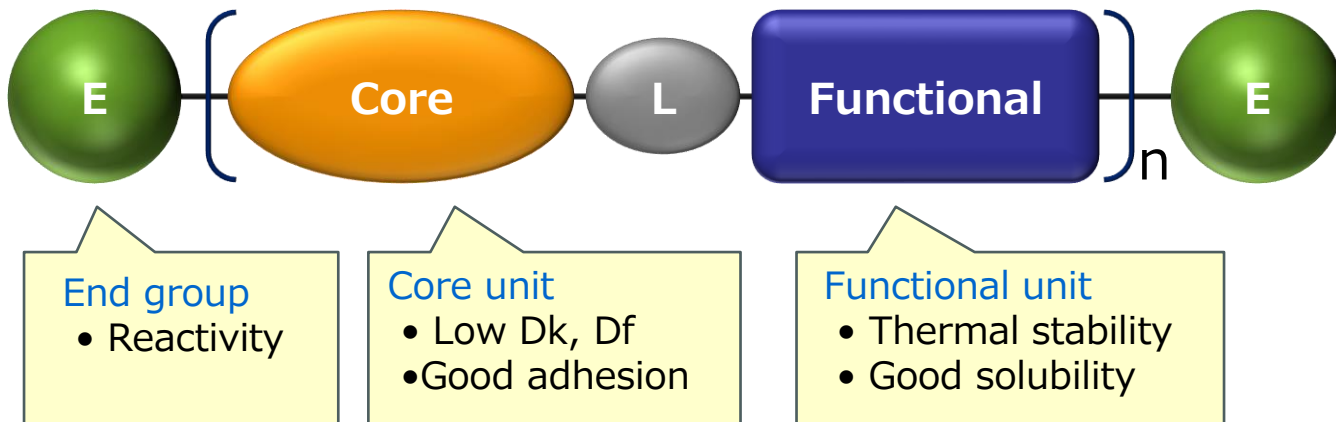
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JSR's Approach for Low Loss Polymer

- ◆ JSR designed an original polymer, HC-G series, which includes four parts: end group, core unit, linker and functional unit
- ◆ It achieves a good balance between low loss properties and adhesion to copper

JSR ELPAC™ HC-G series

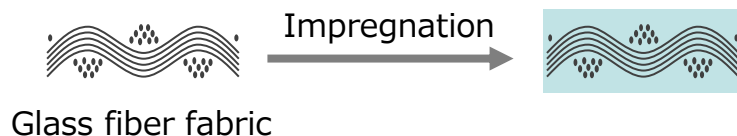
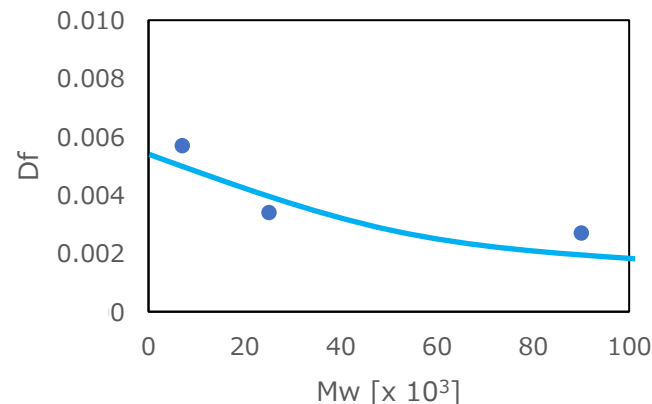


L: Linker, E: End group

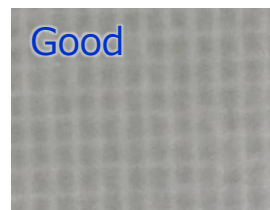
Impact of Mw on Prepreg Properties

- ◆ A higher Mw polymer provides a lower Df. However, higher Mw polymer creates impregnation property concerns

Item	Polymer		
	#1	#2	#3
Molecular Weight	90k	25k	7k
Polymer Structure	Type-1	Type-1	Type-1
Dk (10GHz)	2.6	2.6	2.6
Df (10GHz)	0.0027	0.0034	0.0057



Appearance of prepreg



Appropriate Mw



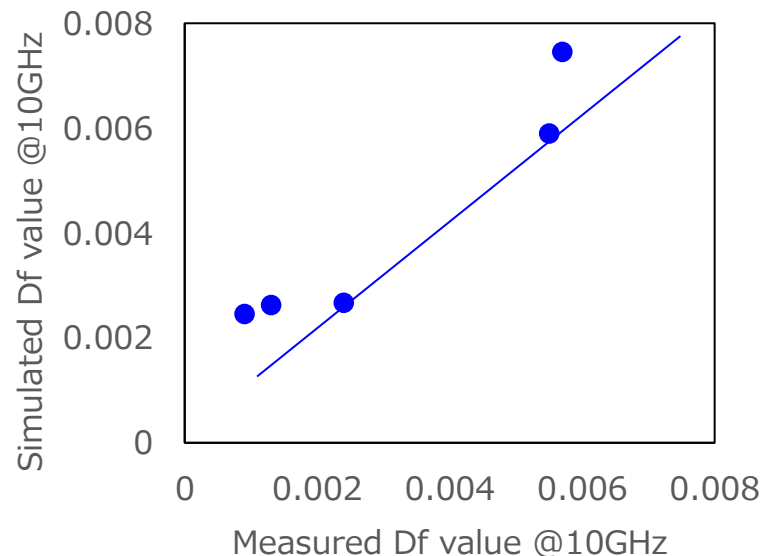
Too high Mw

Impact of Polymer Structure to Properties

- ◆ An appropriate polymer structure (#6) was found through simulation and experimentation

Item	Polymer		
	#4	#5	#6
Molecular Weight	4k	4k	4k
Polymer Structure	Type-2	Type-3	Type-4
Dk (10GHz)	2.6	2.6	2.6
Df (10GHz)	0.0020	0.0013	0.0011

Example of Df simulation

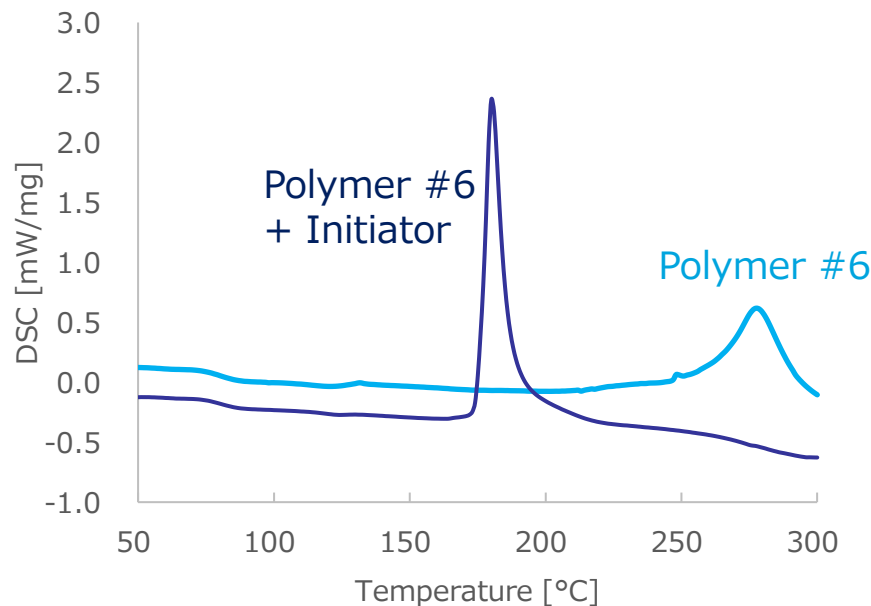


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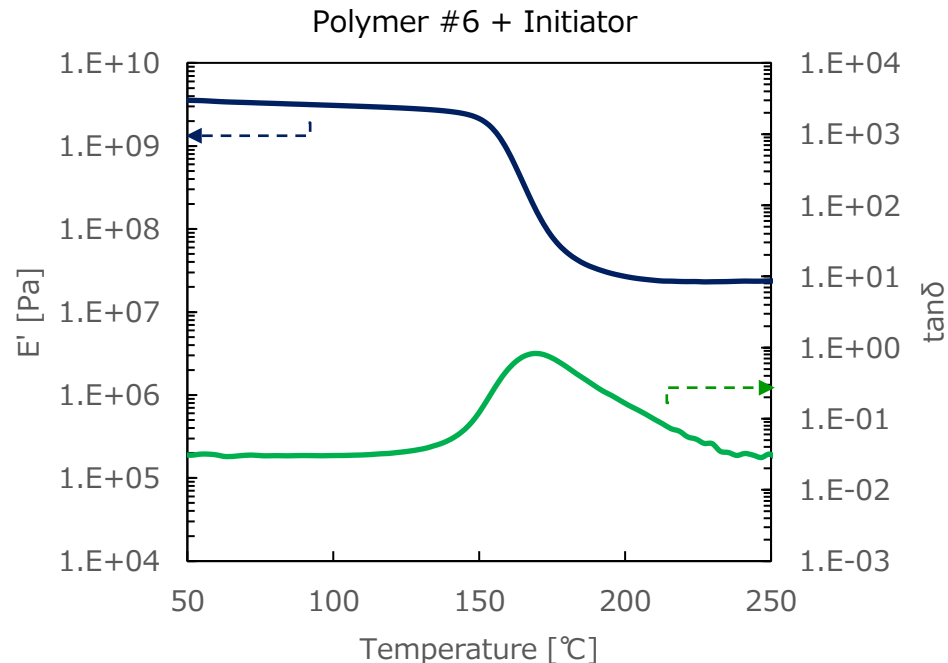
Polymer's Thermal Properties

- ◆ The HC-G polymer is curable by itself at over 250°C. The starting temperature of curing is controlled by adding an initiator. The polymer's T_g is over 170°C

DSC chart



DMA chart



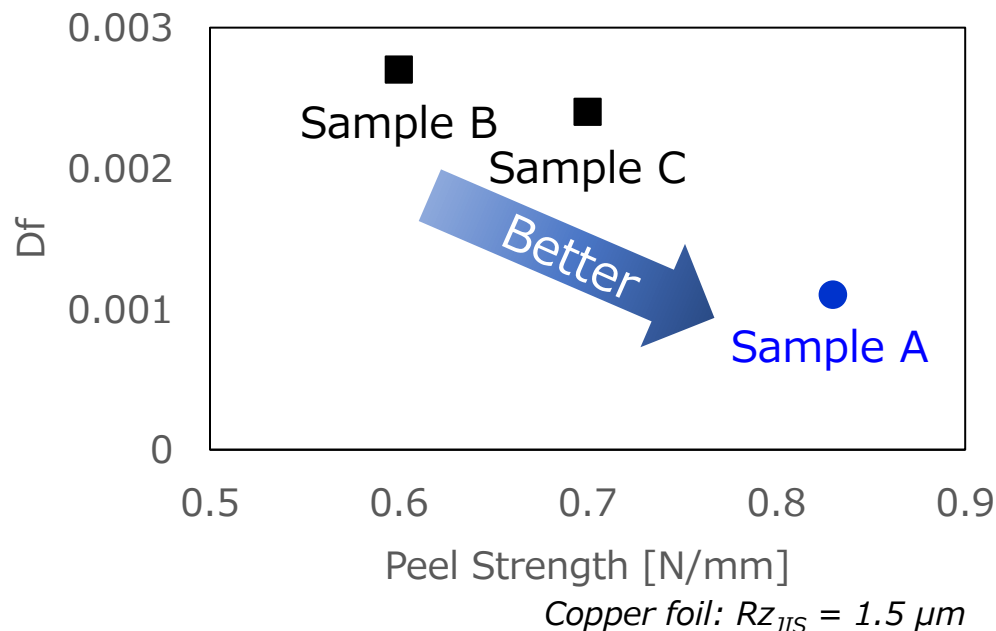
Polymer's Adhesion Property

- ◆ Sample A, which contained HC-G series, shows a good balance between Df and adhesion

Sample Information

Sample#	Polymer	Initiator
Sample A	HC-G series	w/
Sample B	PPE based polymer-1	w/
Sample C	PPE based polymer-2	w/

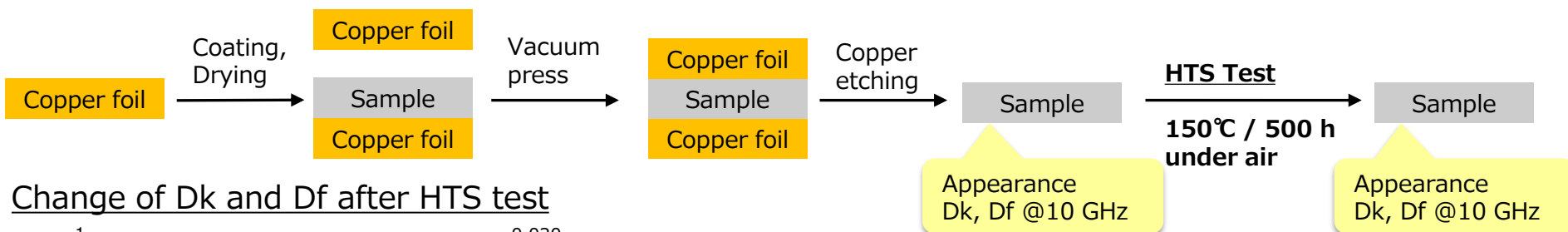
Peel Strength vs. Df



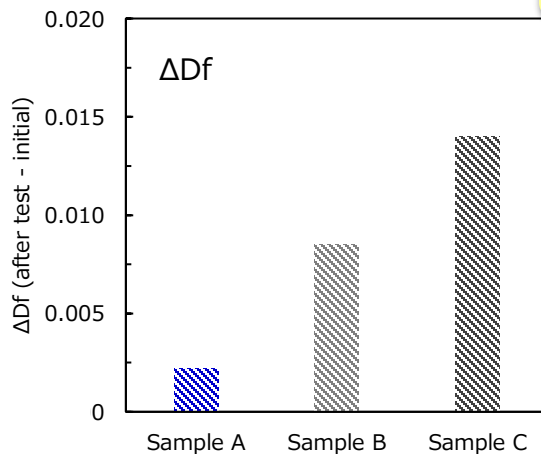
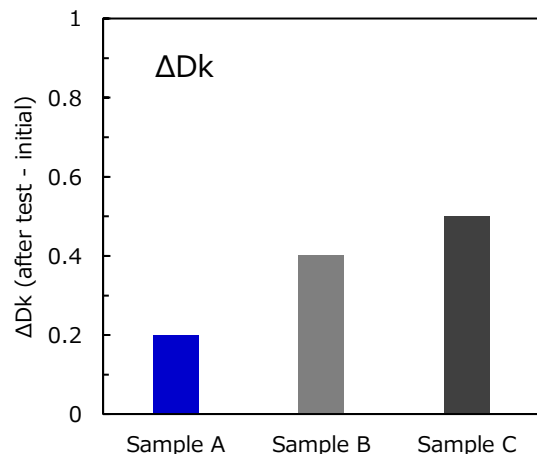
Polymer's Thermal Stability

- ◆ Sample A, HC-G series, shows better thermal stability after HTS test compared to other polymer systems

Procedure to Check Thermal Stability



Change of Dk and Df after HTS test



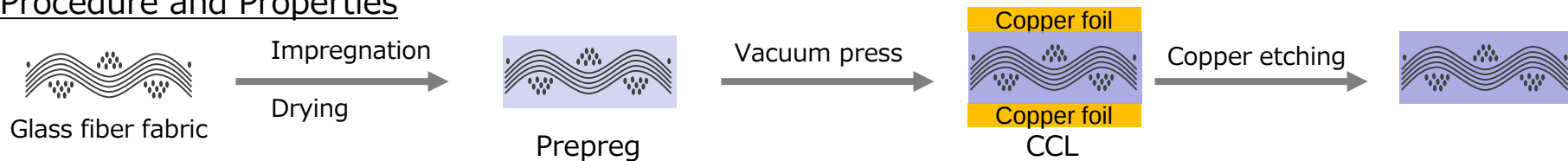
Film Appearance after HTS Test

Appearance	Sample A	Sample B	Sample C
Initial (Before HTS test)			
After HTS test			

CCL Properties

- ◆ HC-G series achieves a great balance of properties in CCL applications

Procedure and Properties

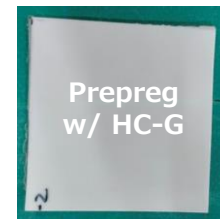


Item		Unit	Test Condition	Laminate with HC-G series
Electrical Properties	Dk	-	Split cylinder resonator @10GHz	3.2
	Df	-		0.0013
Thermal Properties	Tg	℃	DMA	182
	Solder resistance	sec.	Solder dip testing @300℃	>300
Mechanical Properties	CTE	ppm/K	x-y axis, α1	23
	Peel strength	N/mm	with H-VLP3 Copper foil	0.9

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Summary

- ◆ As 5G/6G wireless technology expands, IC-Substrate and PCB designs require low loss dielectric materials that decrease loss at high frequency, and achieve high signal speed
- ◆ JSR has developed the **HC-G series** of thermoset polymer with low Dk and Df
- ◆ **HC-G series** yielded Dk of 2.6 and Df of 0.0011 at 10 GHz, as well as peel strength 0.8 N/mm.
- ◆ **HC-G series** showed 70% lower Df than other polymer systems after the HTS test at 150°C for 500 hours
- ◆ CCL with **HC-G series** provides the low loss properties required for high-speed / high frequency applications



Thank you!



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