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Cashew Liquid Technology



Cashew Nutshell Liquid (CNSL)

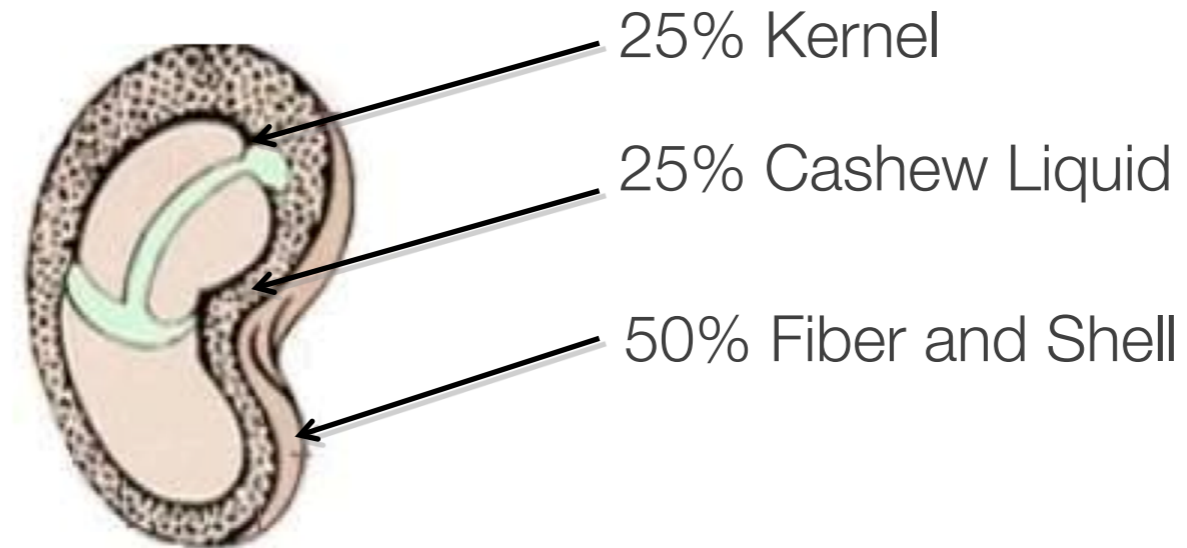
A naturally occurring, non-food chain, renewable oil from the shell of the cashew nut. CNSL is obtained as by-product of the cashew nut industry mainly in Brazil, India, and Vietnam.



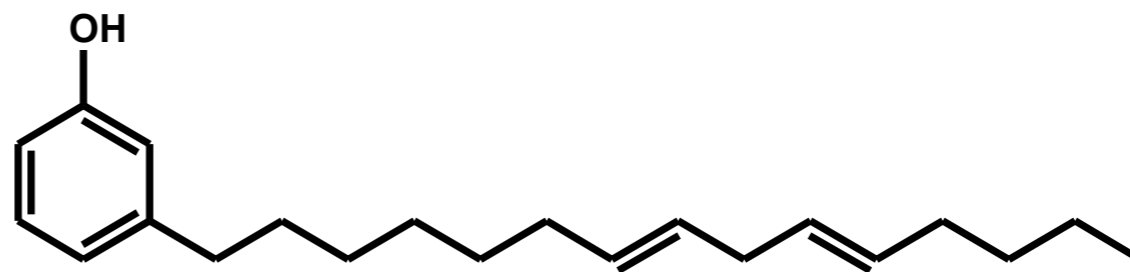
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- CNSL is approximately 25% of the cashew kernel by weight.



- The primary component of CNSL is cardanol, a natural phenolic compound with a long unsaturated fatty side chain.



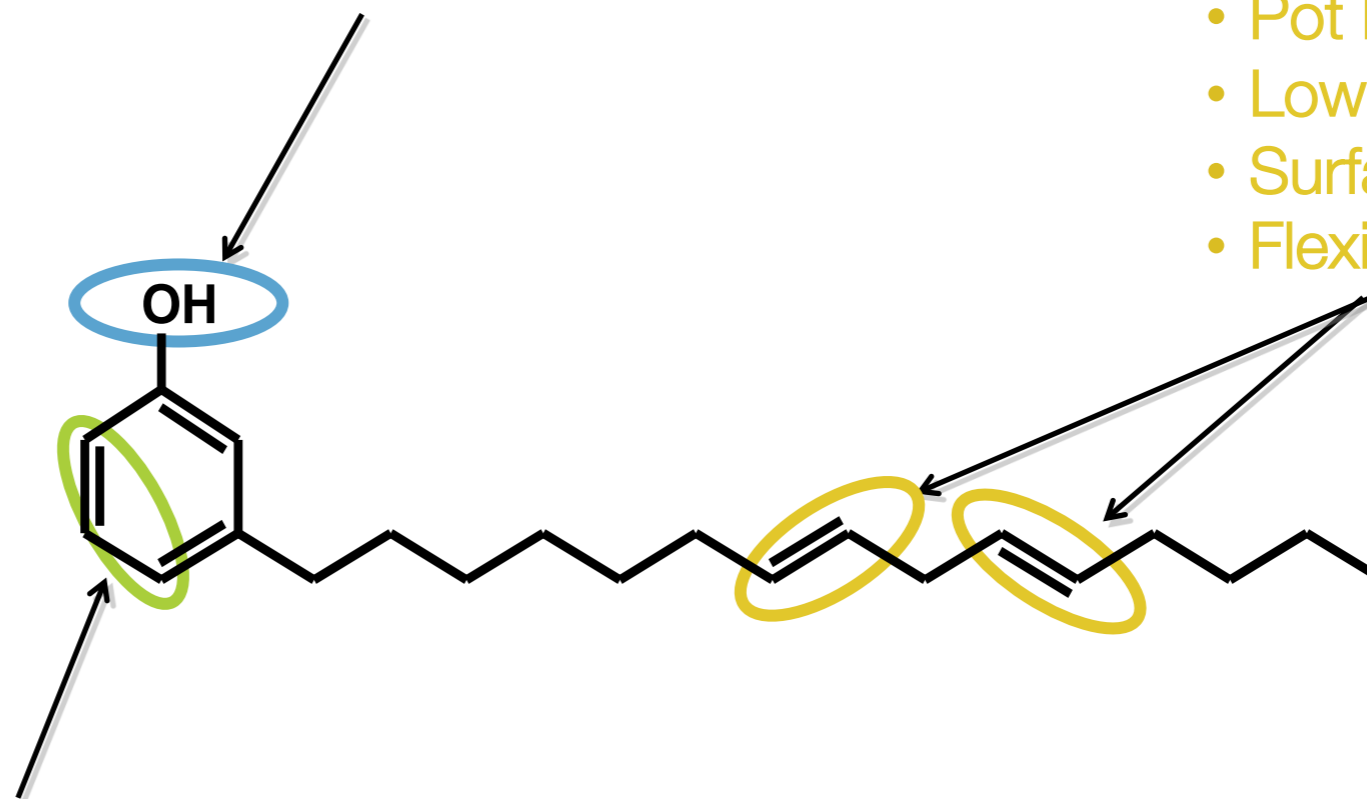
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Average Structure and Benefits

- Adhesion
- Fast cure
- Low temperature cure

- Water resistance
- Humidity resistance
- Corrosion resistance
- Pot life
- Low viscosity
- Surface tension
- Flexibility

- Chemical & thermal resistance



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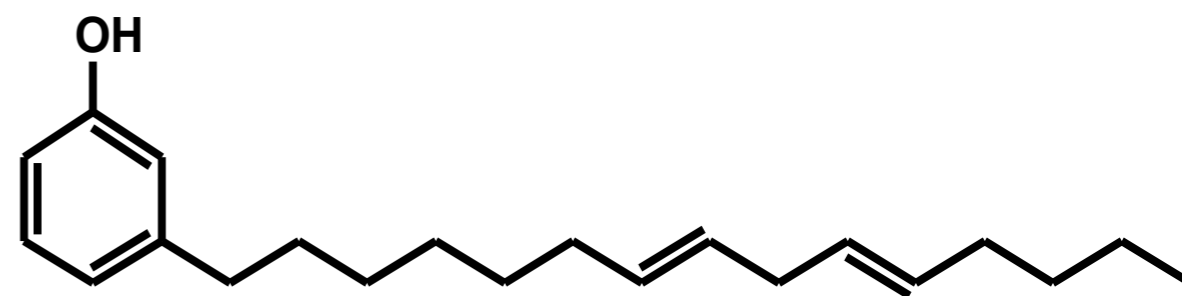


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Cardanol Family

- Non-reactive diluents
- Accelerators
- Hydrophobicity for improved water resistance and corrosion protection
- Increased flexibility and impact resistance
- Non-toxic alternative to nonyl phenol
- Renewable
- Cost effective

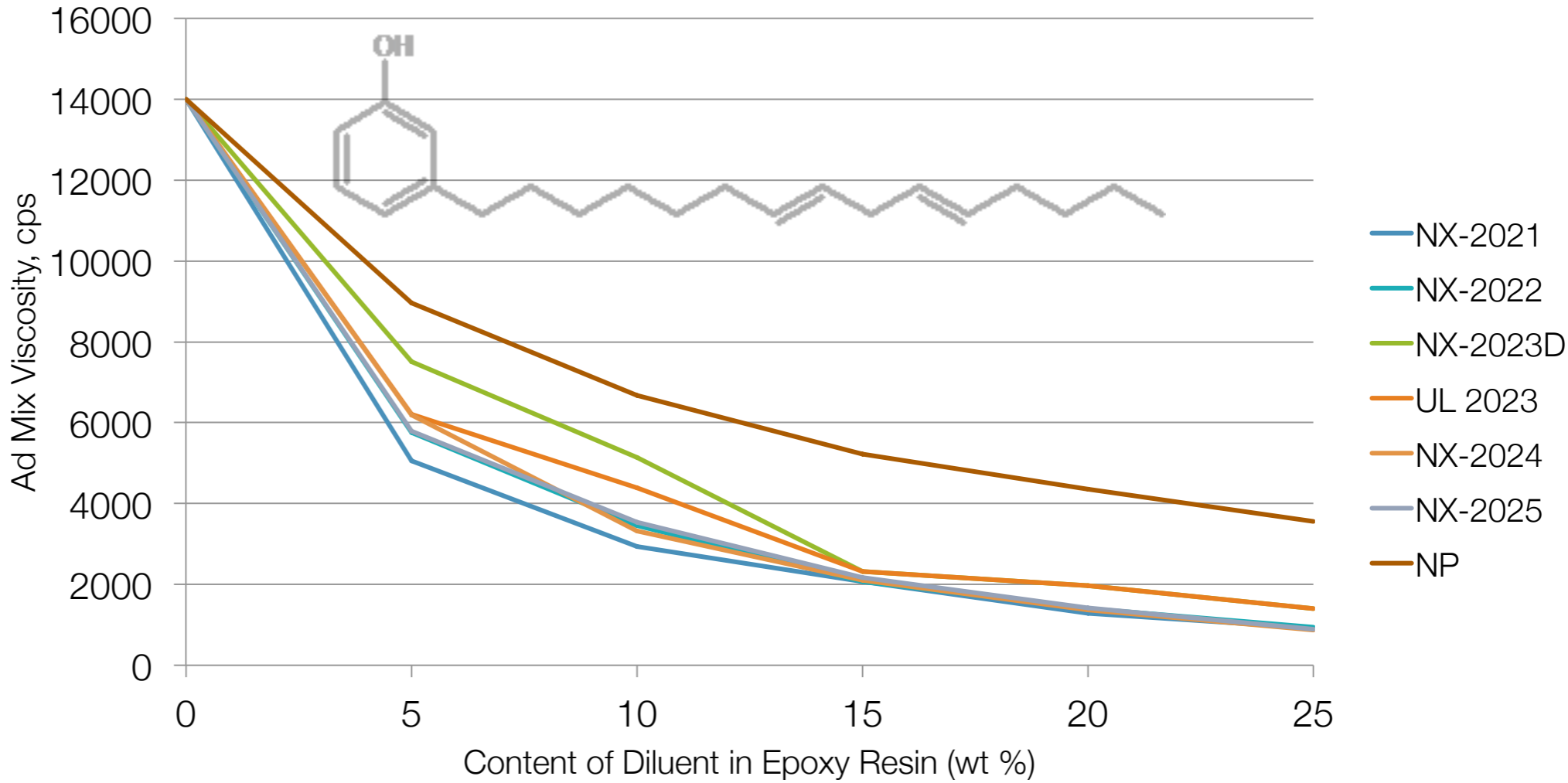


Cardanol Grades vs. Nonyl phenol

Material	Viscosity, cps @25°C	Color	Label	Description
Nonyl phenol	~1,200	~1	Health hazard	
NX-2021	45 - 75	≤ 18	nontoxic	Standard cardanol
NX-2022	40 - 60	≤ 8	nontoxic	High purity cardanol
NX-2023D	80 - 140	≤ 15	nontoxic	Dark, wet color stable cardanol
NX-2023	40 - 100	≤ 6	nontoxic	Light, wet color stable cardanol
Ultra LITE 2023	40 - 100	≤ 1	nontoxic	Ultra light, wet color stable cardanol
NX-2024	45 - 60	≤ 9	nontoxic	Low odor, std purity cardanol
NX-2025	≤ 60	≤ 5	nontoxic	Low odor, high purity cardanol
NX-2026	≤ 60	≤ 2	nontoxic	Very light, wet color stable cardanol, neutral pH



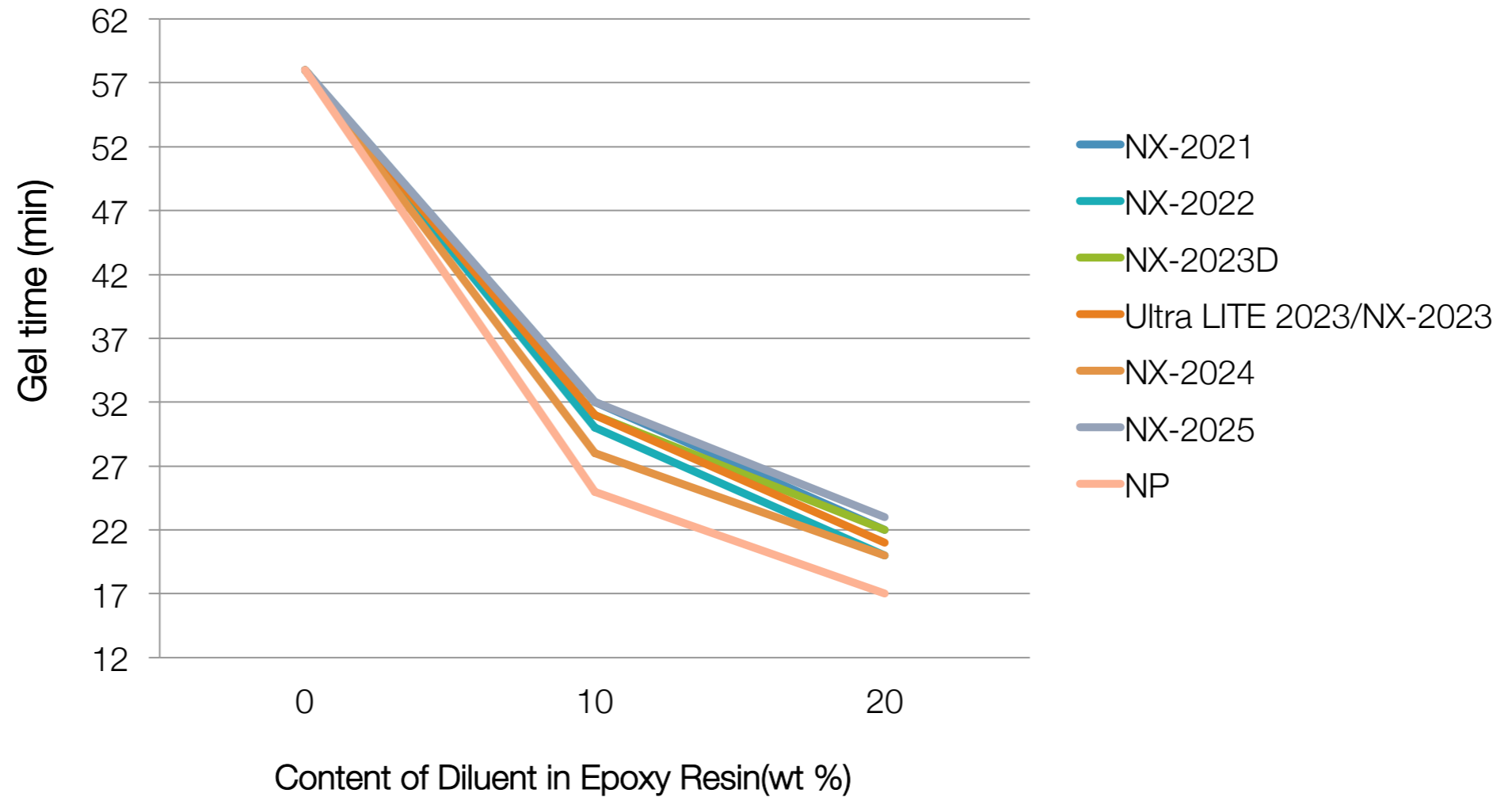
Dilution Power vs. Nonyl Phenol



- Renewable source
- Better dilution effect
- Comparable cost
- Comparable acceleration
- Non-toxic



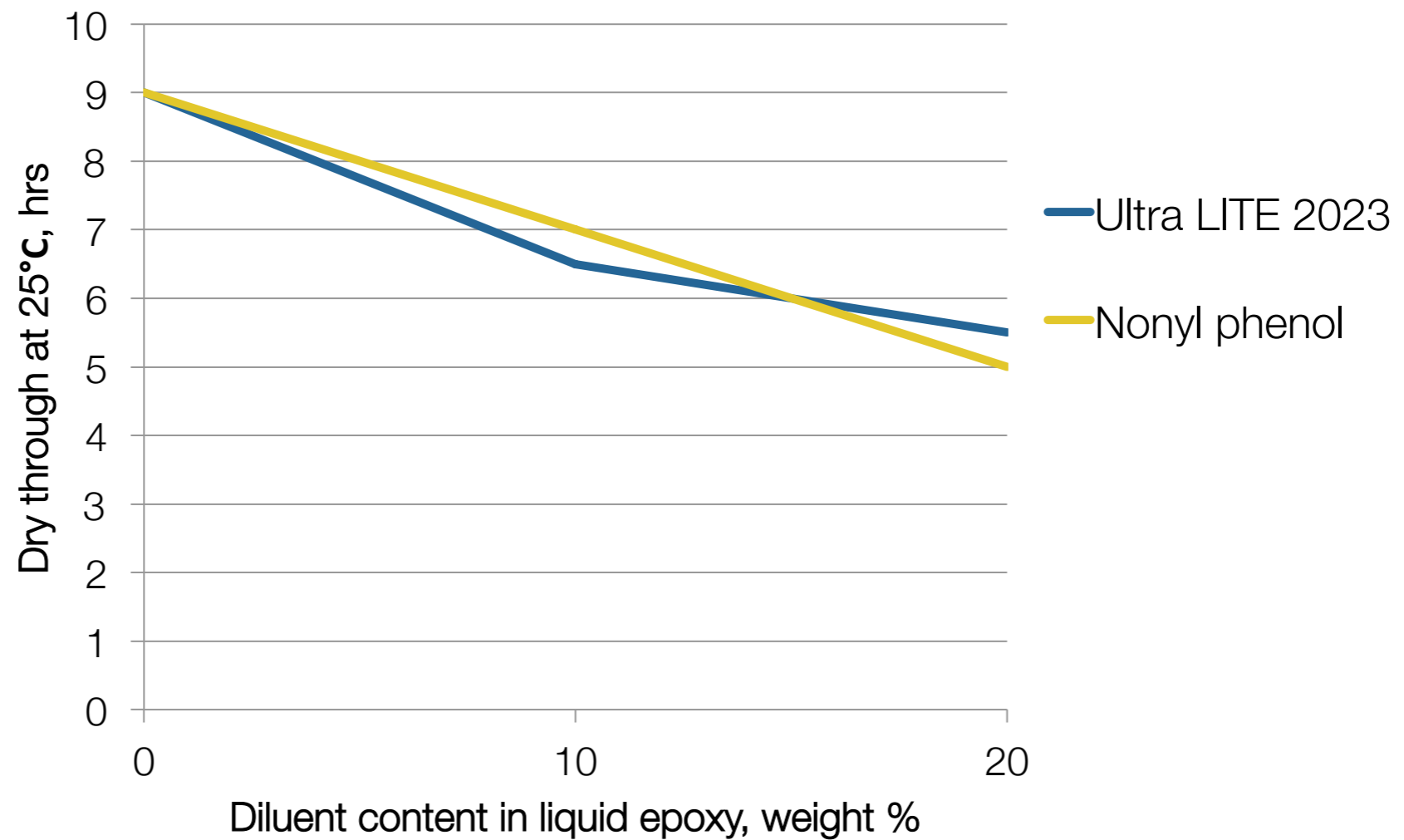
Acceleration Effect



Cardanol grades do not reduce gel time as much as Nonyl phenol

*Cured with Cardolite NX-2003

Acceleration Effect at 25°C



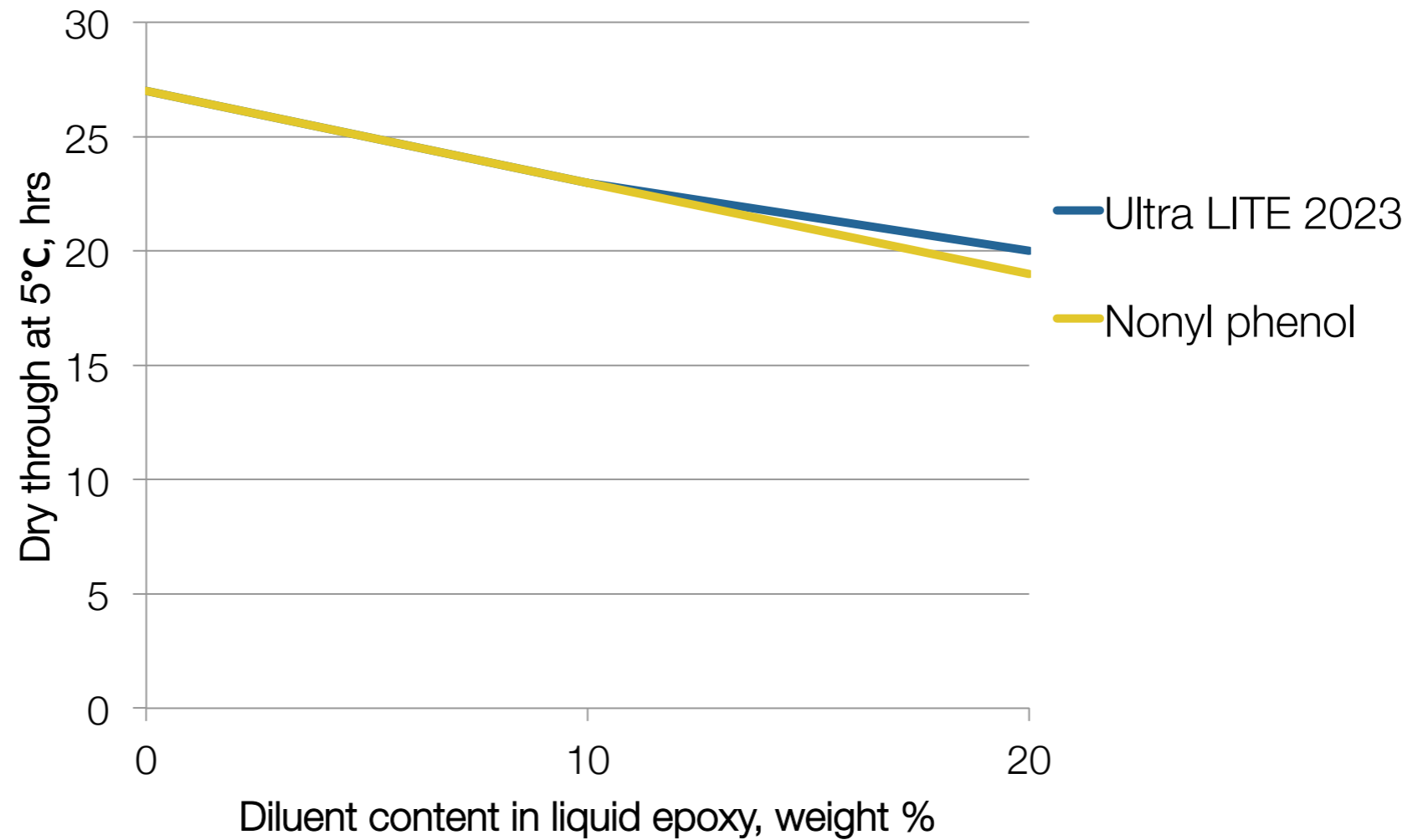
- Ultra LITE 2023 can be used as an accelerator.
- Ultra LITE 2023 provides similar acceleration to nonyl phenol at 25°C

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Acceleration Effect at 5°C



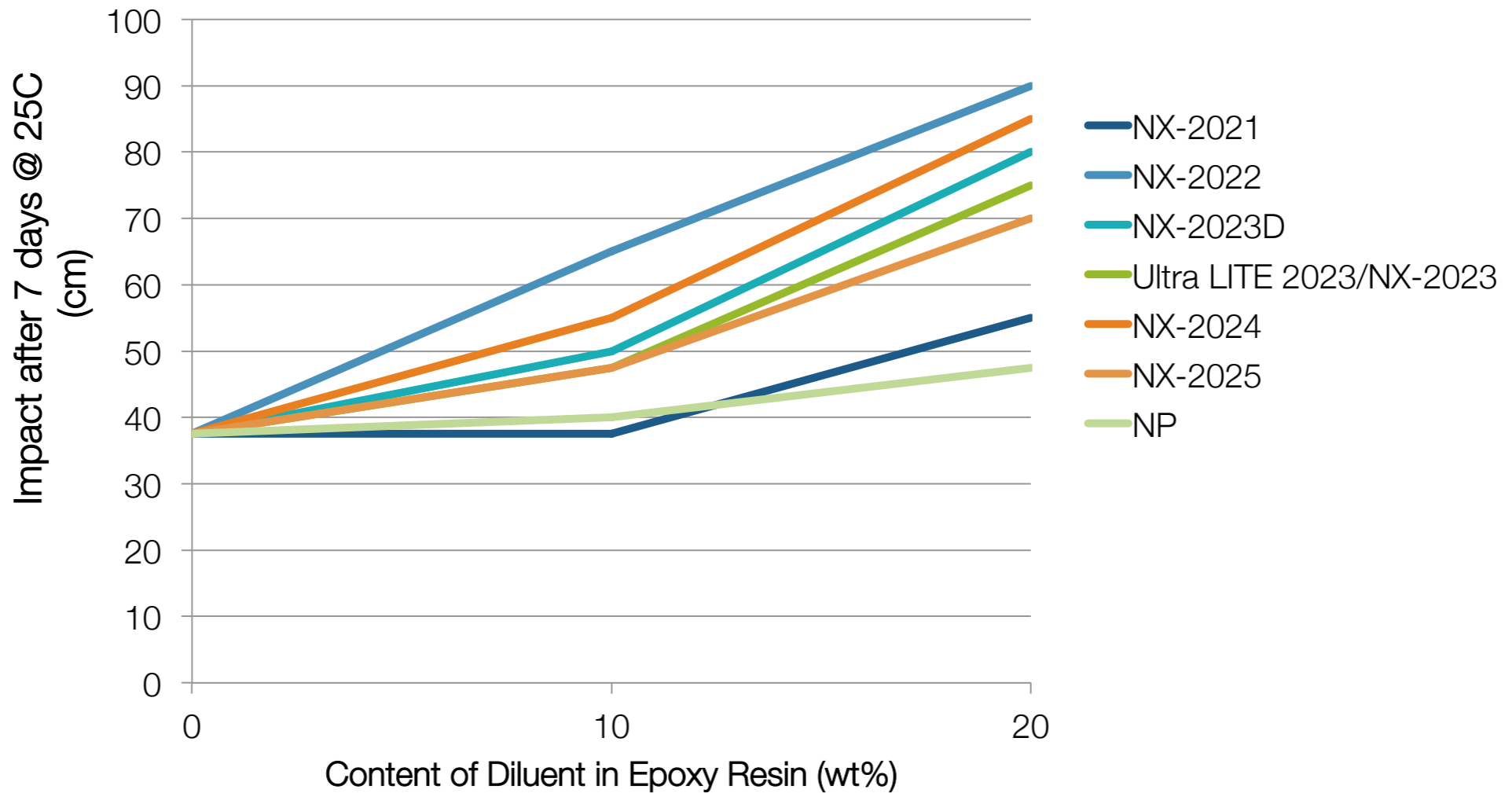
- Ultra LITE 2023 can be used as an accelerator at low temperatures
- Ultra LITE 2023 provides similar acceleration to nonyl phenol at 5°C

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Impact Resistance



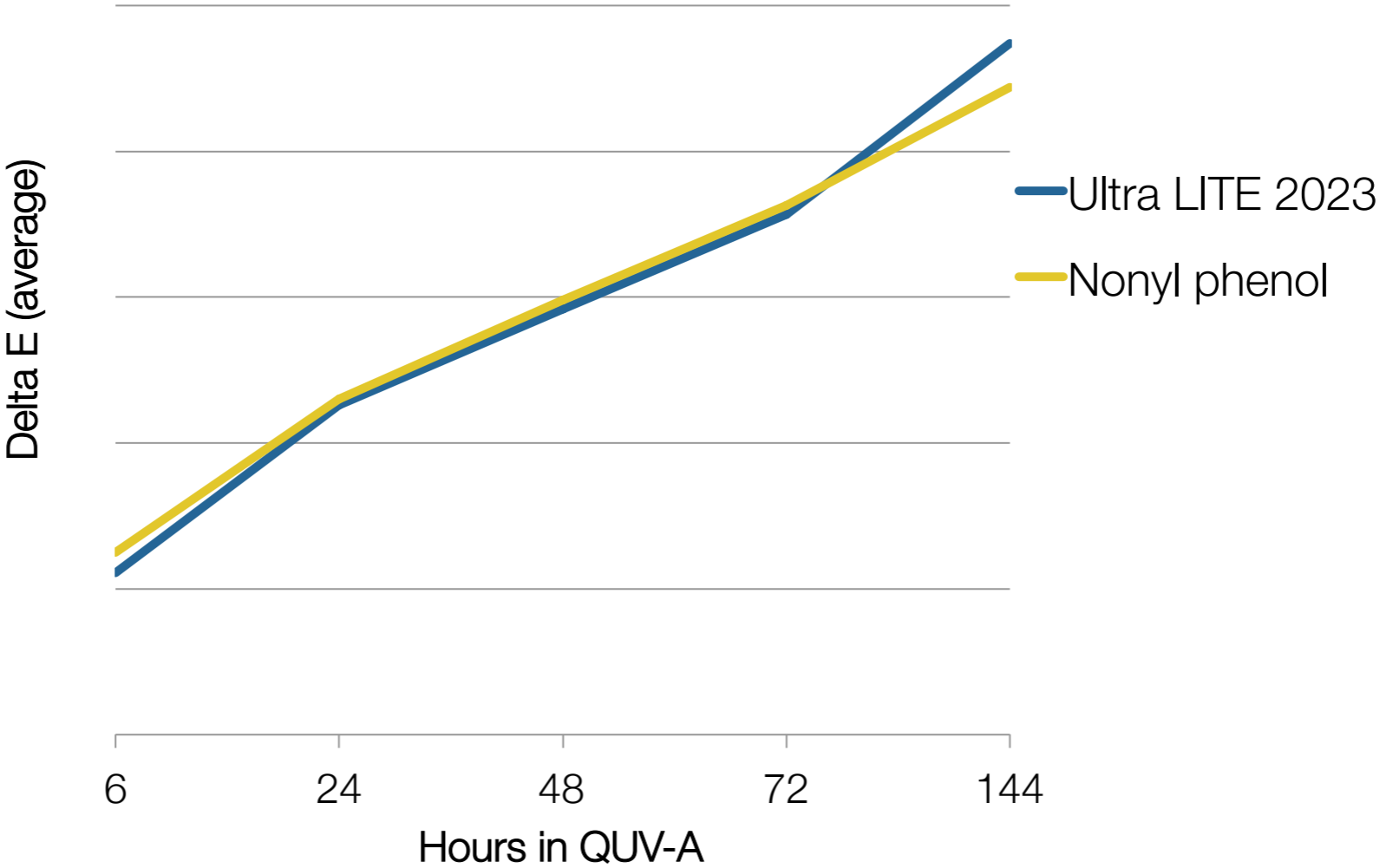
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Cardanol grades improve impact resistance of epoxy systems due to long aliphatic side chain. Improvement is more significant than for Nonyl phenol.



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Color Retention



Ultra LITE 2023 shows similar yellowing to nonyl phenol

**Average delta E based on cure with different phenalkamines

