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**Ta SMD capacitors with MnO₂ and
Polymer Counter Electrode for
Space Applications**

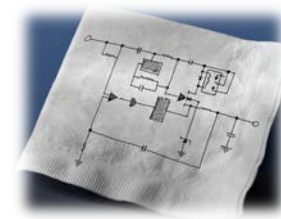
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Outline



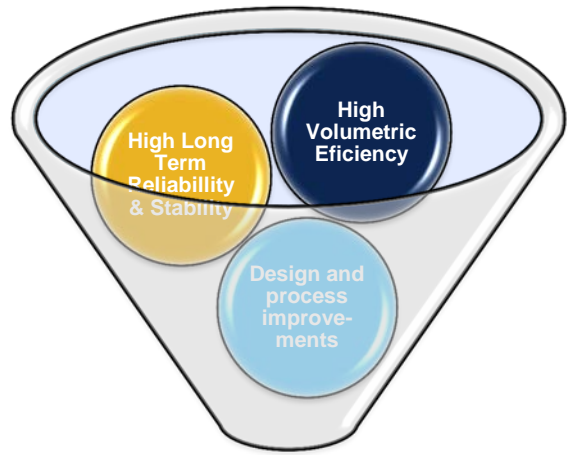
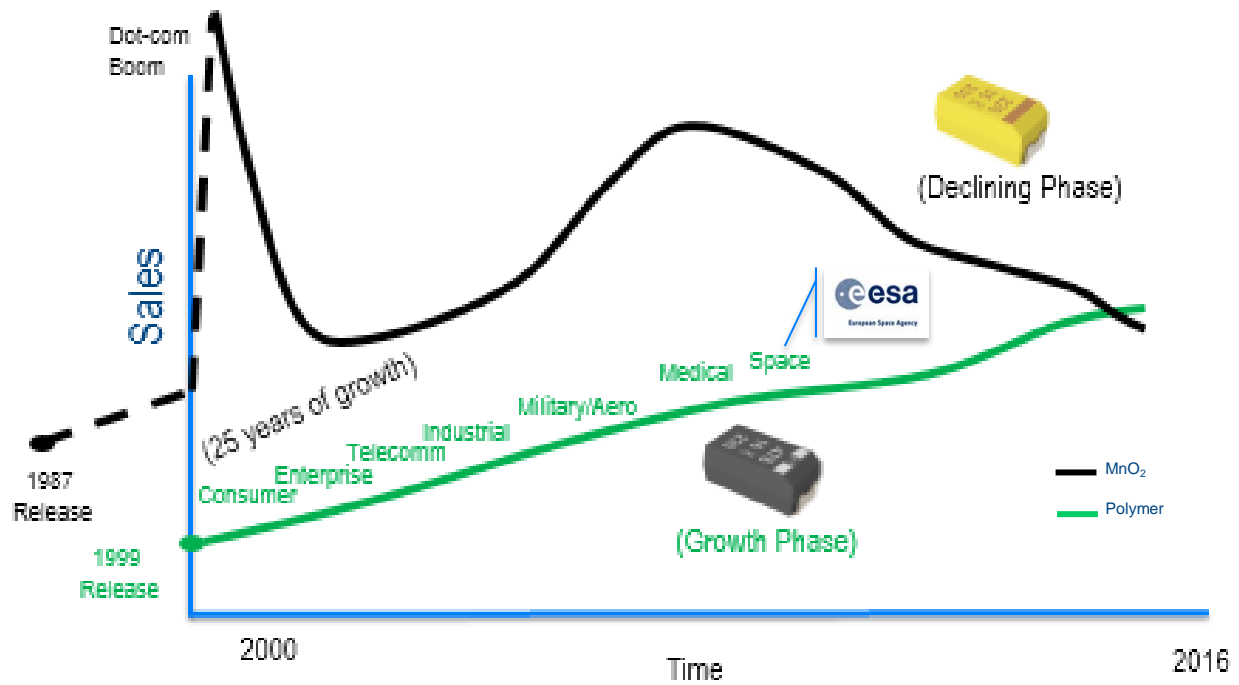
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- 📦 MnO₂ project evolution
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Historical Background

15 Yrs Expanding Portfolio & Market Adoption



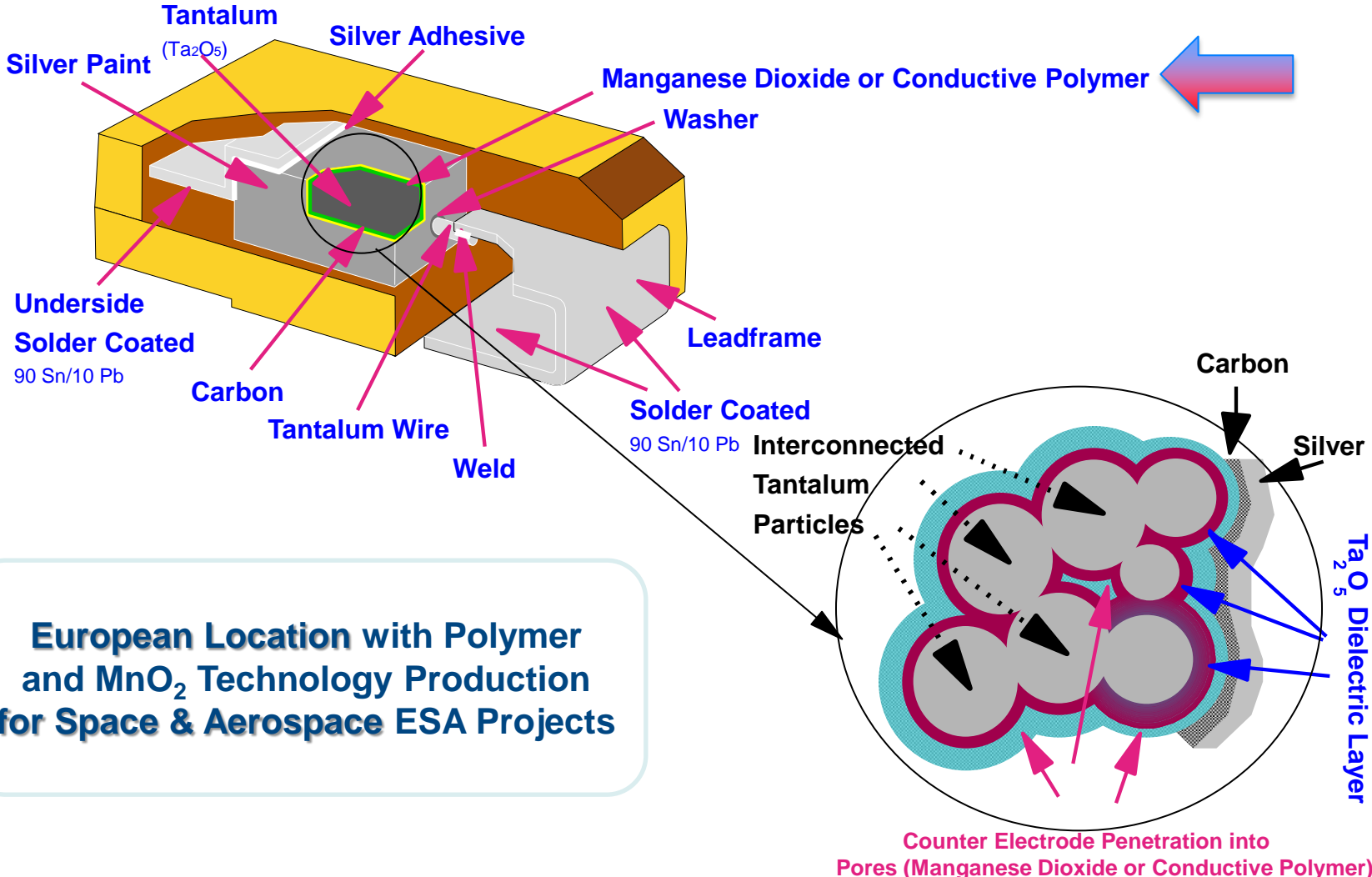
Increased Flexibility in Electronics Design

Evolution from terrestrial to Space Applications

Historical Segment Adoption and Sales Evolution – Ta SMD Capacitors MnO₂ and Polymer.

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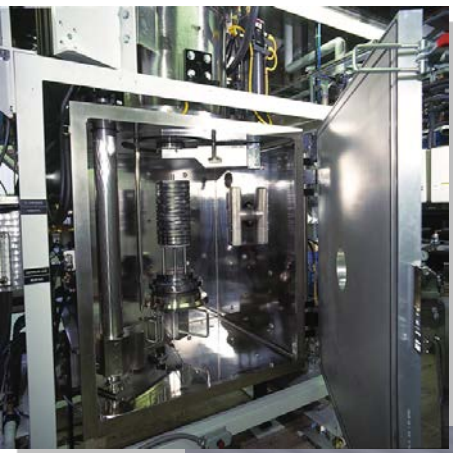
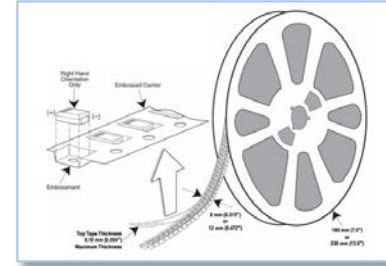
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European Location with Polymer and MnO₂ Technology Production for Space & Aerospace ESA Projects

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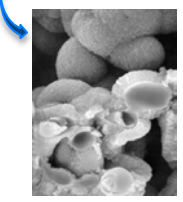
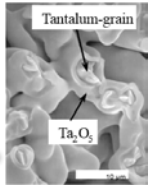
Basic Construction



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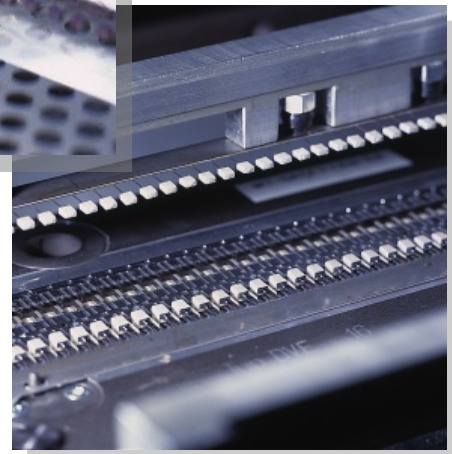
Molding



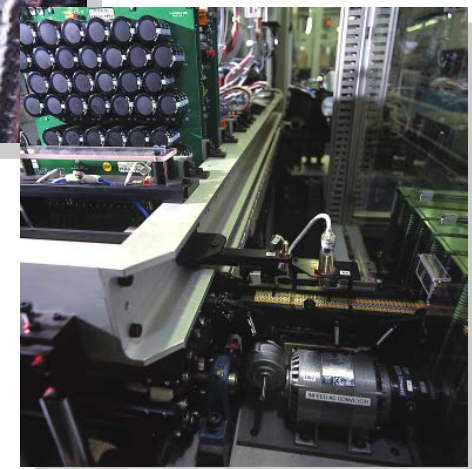
Electro-Chemical Processes



Aging



Assembly



100% Testing

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KEMET Évora Capabilities

'Laboratory Capabilities'

Significant Investment from KEMET to implement an European Specialty Footprint and needed capability for in-line and Laboratory processes:

- ✓ RCT;
- ✓ Radiographic Inspection
- ✓ Surge Current Testing
- ✓ Weibull
- ✓ Burn-in
- ✓ Marking/Serialization

Life Testing capability

(Endurance, Humidity Chambers, Characterization in temperature and frequency);

Failure analysis Laboratory

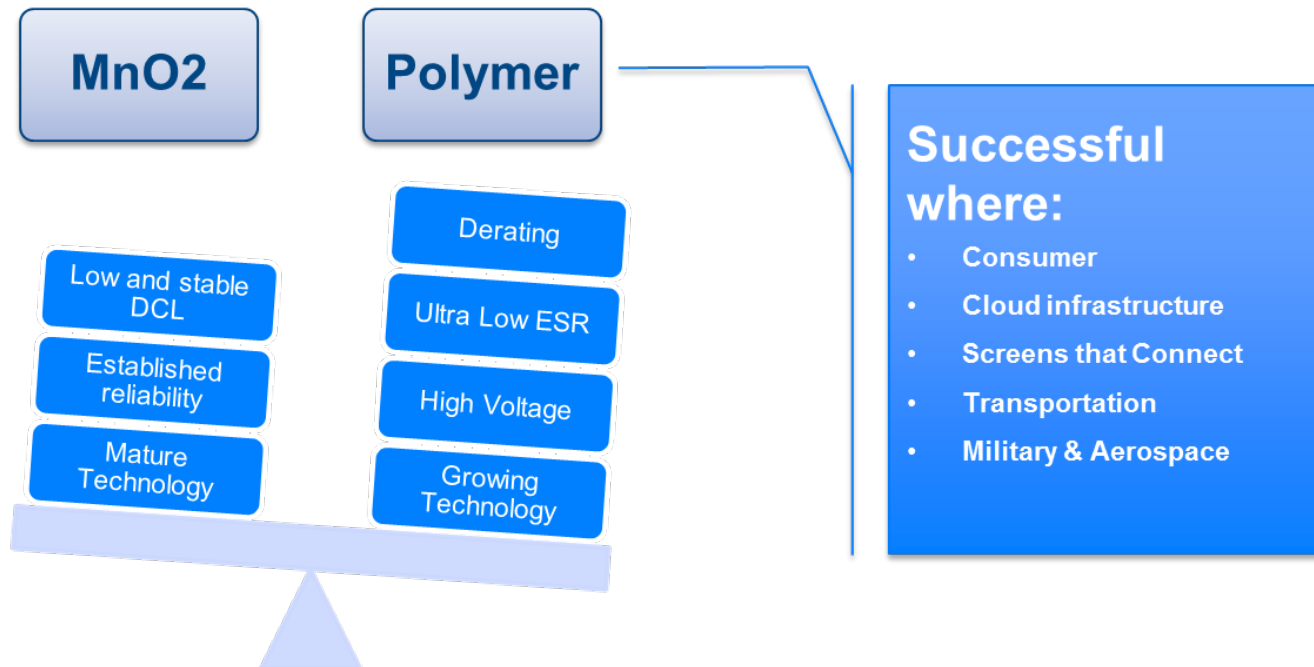
Well established Chemistry Lab

Highly Qualified Staff!



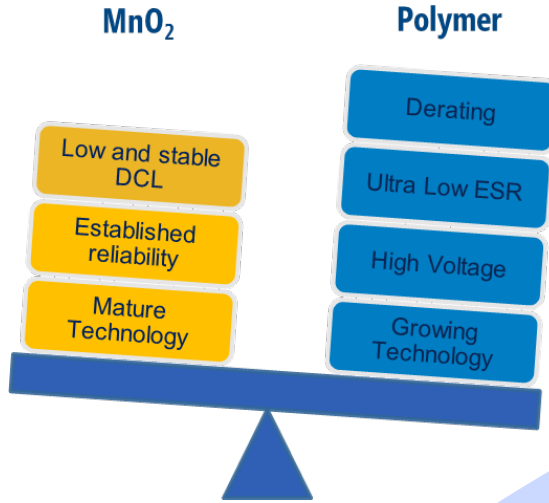
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Pros & Cons of both technologies



	Cap.	DCL	ESR	Derating	I Ripple	Failure mode	Cap. Stability
MnO₂	Excellent Volumetric efficiency	Low and stable DCL	Medium/High (0.1 up to Ohms level)	*50% * FTECH/SBDS	-	-	Over temperature and frequency
Polymer	Excellent Volumetric efficiency	Stable DCL (higher than MnO ₂)	Ultra Low (Down to single digit)	10% up to 10V 20% higher than 10V	Good capability	Benigne Failure mode	Over temperature and frequency

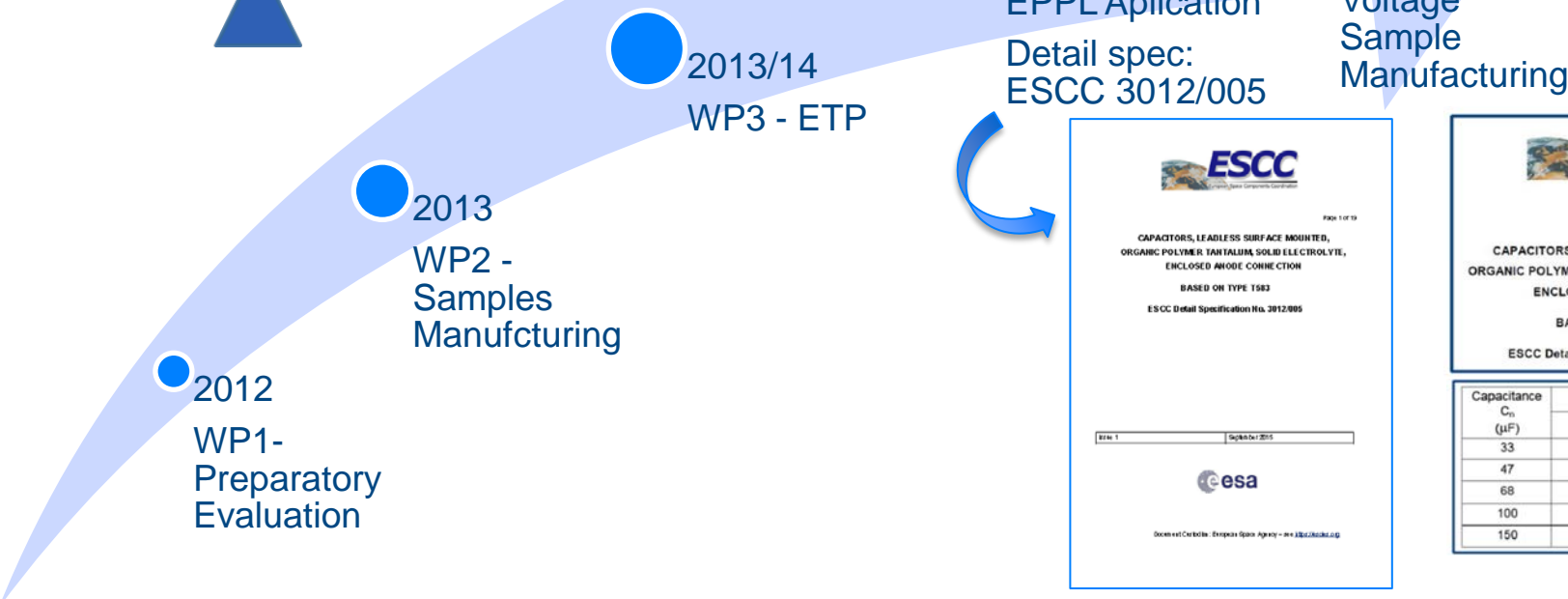
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Samples
Low Voltage
Nov 2015!



Mar 2016
WP4 – ETP
High Voltage
Roadmap for
KEMET T583
Series



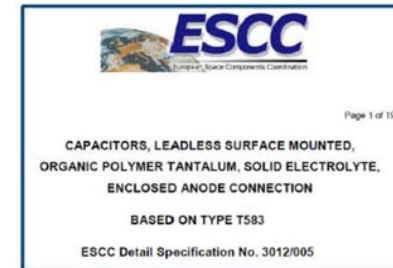
2013
WP2 -
Samples
Manufacturing

2012
WP1-
Preparatory
Evaluation

2013/14
WP3 - ETP

2015
Low Voltage –
EPPL Application
Detail spec:
ESCC 3012/005

2015
Extended
Range High
Voltage
Sample
Manufacturing



Capacitance C ₀ (µF)	Rated Voltage U _R		
	6.3V	10V	16V
33			60, 70
47			70
68		45, 60, 100	
100	45	55, 80	
150	45, 55		

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KO – Low Voltage (LV) Applications

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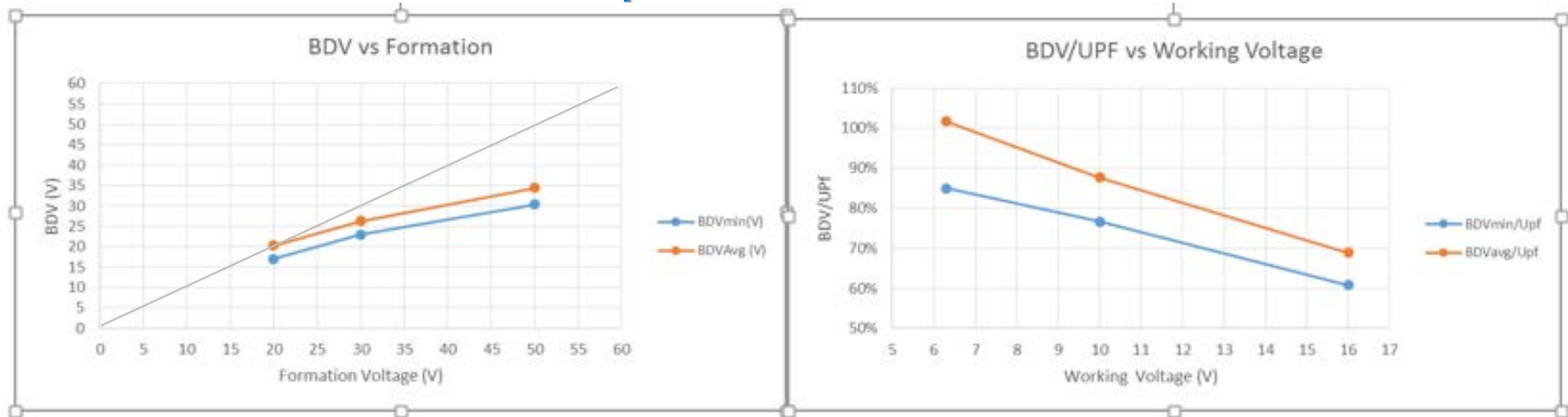


Selected representative corner types for 6.3, 10 and 16V

Evaluation Test Program:

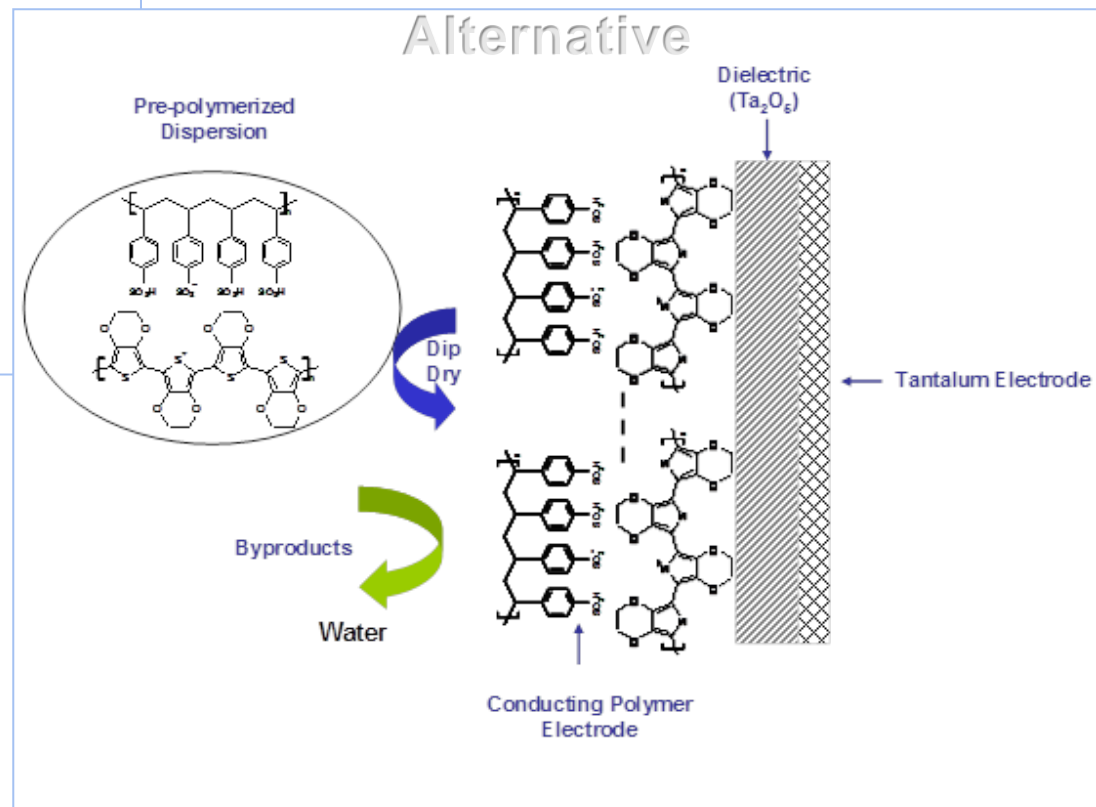
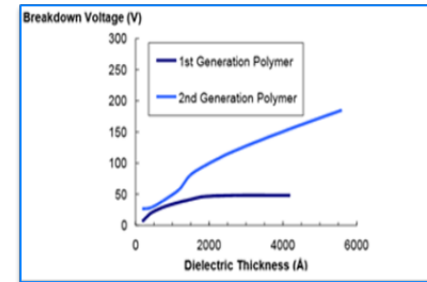
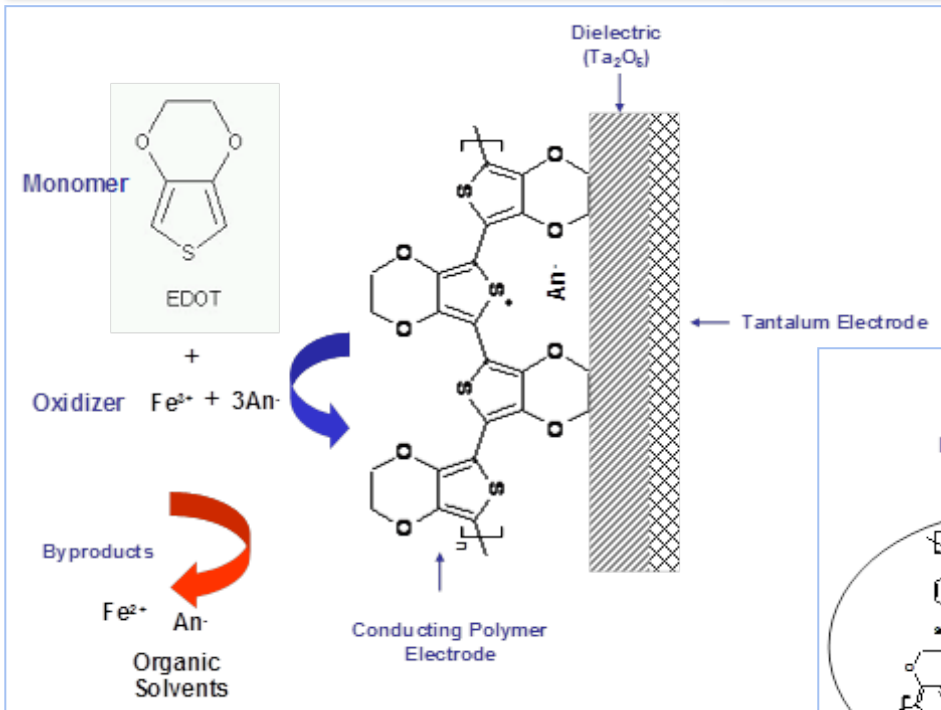
TEST Nr	Evaluation Test Program Test Description	Precedence	Status
2Bi	Voltage Step Stress Test (VSST)	---	OK
2Bii	Temperature Step Stress Test (TSST)	2Bi	OK
2Biii	High Inrush Current Step Stress Test (SSST)	---	PASS
2Ci	Solderability / Adhesion	---	PASS
2Cii	Solderability / Humidity Sequence	---	PASS
2Cii	Moisture Resistance	---	PASS
3	Steady State Accelerate Life Test (T1/V1, T2/V2, T3/V3)	2Bi / 2Bii	PASS
4	Operational Life Tests	---	PASS
5	Storage	---	PASS

BDV behavior for “In-Situ” process:



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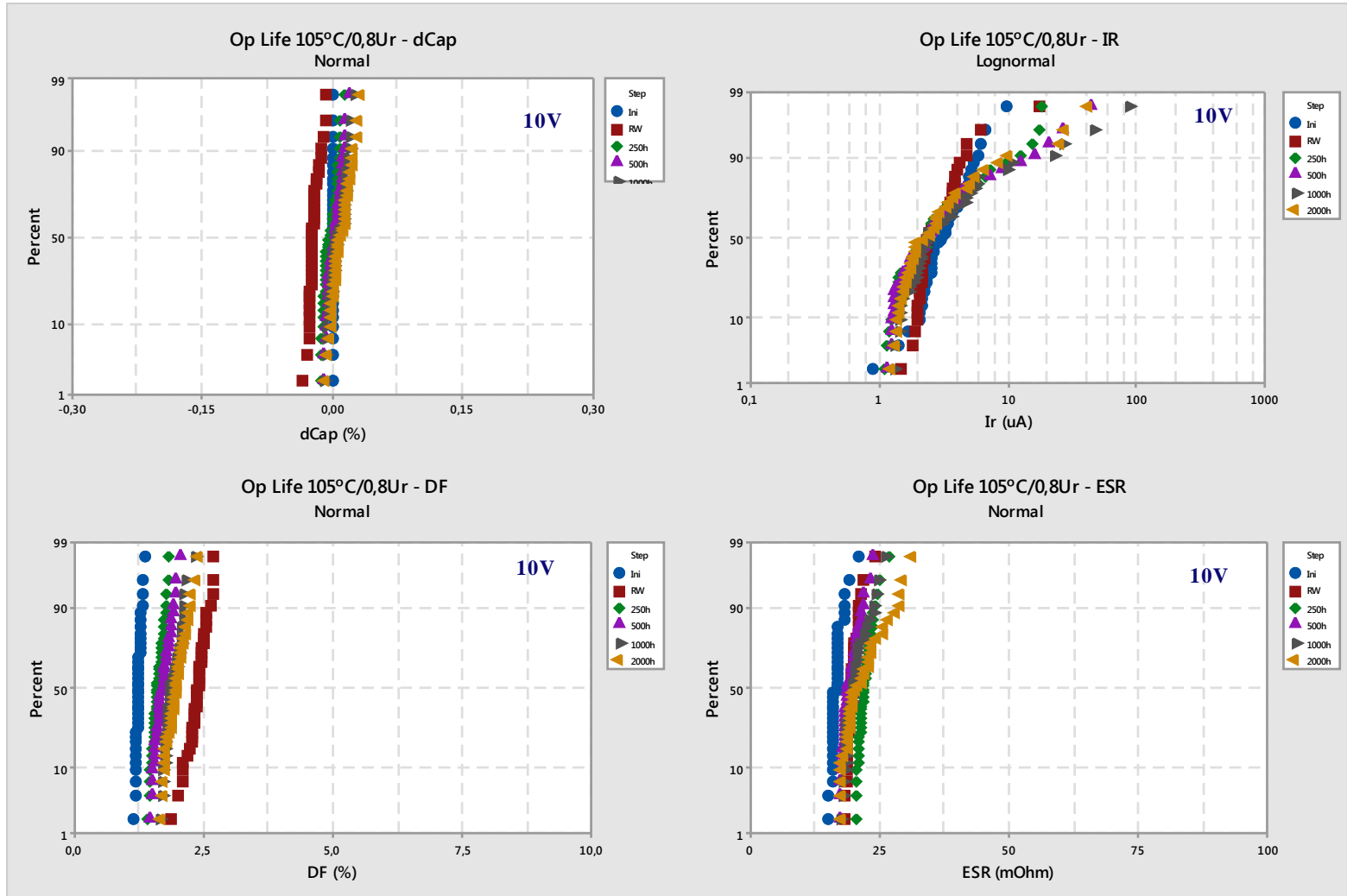
KO – Polymerization mechanisms



Residuals from the reaction can cause surface charge at the interface between the dielectric and the polymer affecting the potential barrier => High DC leakage and low BDV.

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KO LV– Endurance Testing 105°C/0.8*Ur 2000hrs

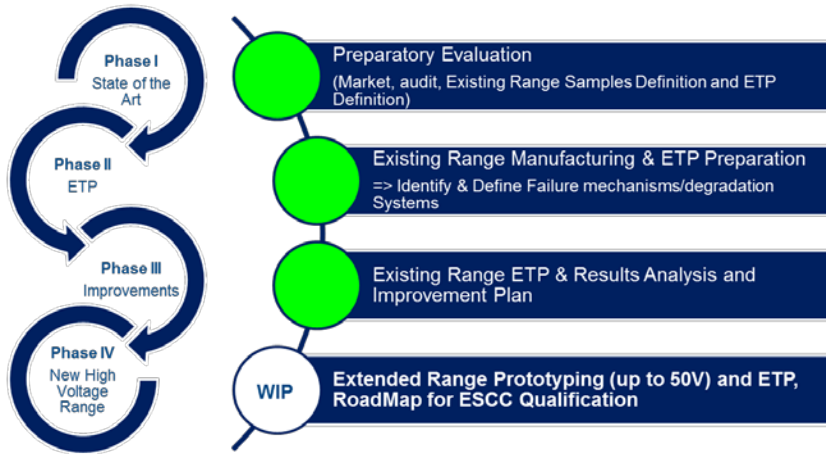


Example of Op Life Results for 105°C/0,Ur 2000hrs for a 10V Application Capacitor

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KO – High Voltage (HV) Applications

Develop a very Low ESR and High Voltage (50V) Ta SMD Cap in Europe for Space Applications



Cap	Rated Voltage					
	16	20	25	35	50	63
6,8						
10					D (125mΩ)	
15			D	D (100mΩ)		
22		D	D			
33		D	D (100mΩ)			
47		D				
68						

Legend:
Corners Parts submitted for ETP testing
Sister part types

Evaluation Test Program:



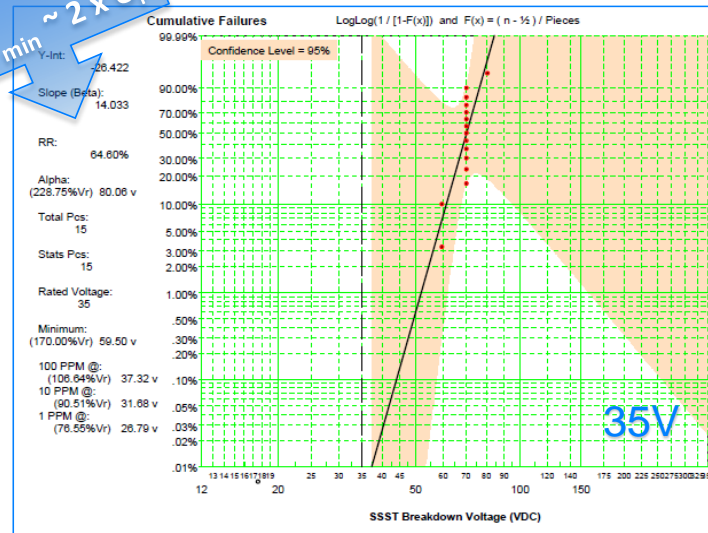
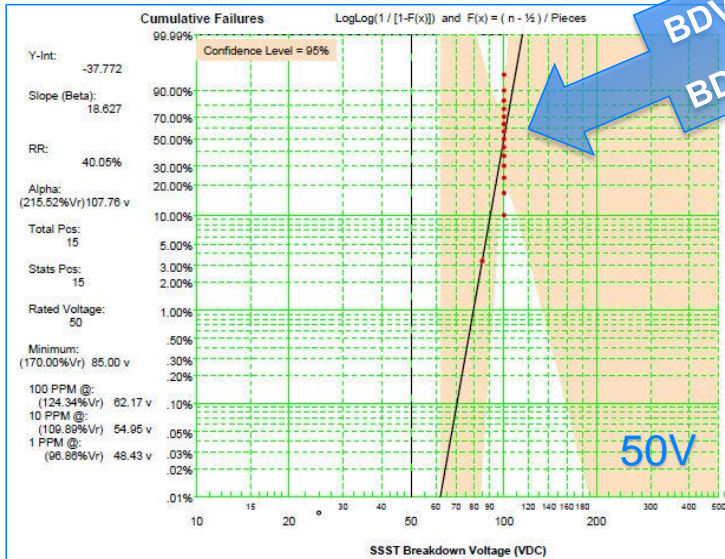
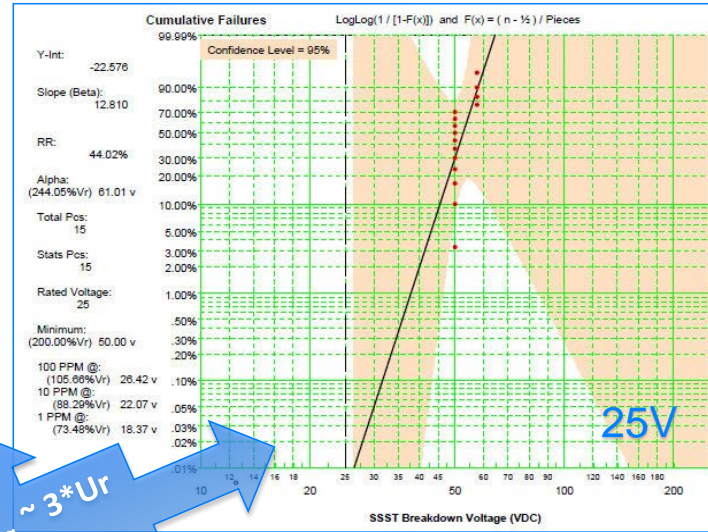
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2A	Thermal Shock	---	PASS
2Bi	Voltage Step Stress Test (VSST)	---	OK
2Bii	Temperature Step Stress Test (TSST)	2Bi	On-Going
2Biii	High Inrush Current Step Stress Test (SSST)	---	PASS
2Cii	Moisture Resistance	---	PASS
3	Steady State Accelerate Life Test (T1/V1, T2/V2, T3/V3)	2Bi/ 2Bii	Not Started
4	Operational Life Tests	---	Not Started
5	Storage	---	Not Started

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KO HV – Surge Step Stress Test (SSST)



BDV behavior weakness overcome
 for High Voltage, keeping in line
 with Low Voltage!

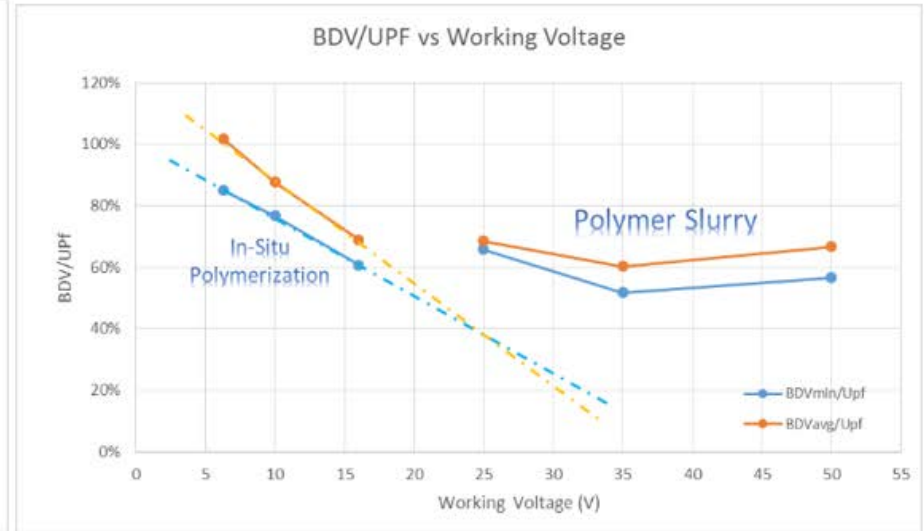
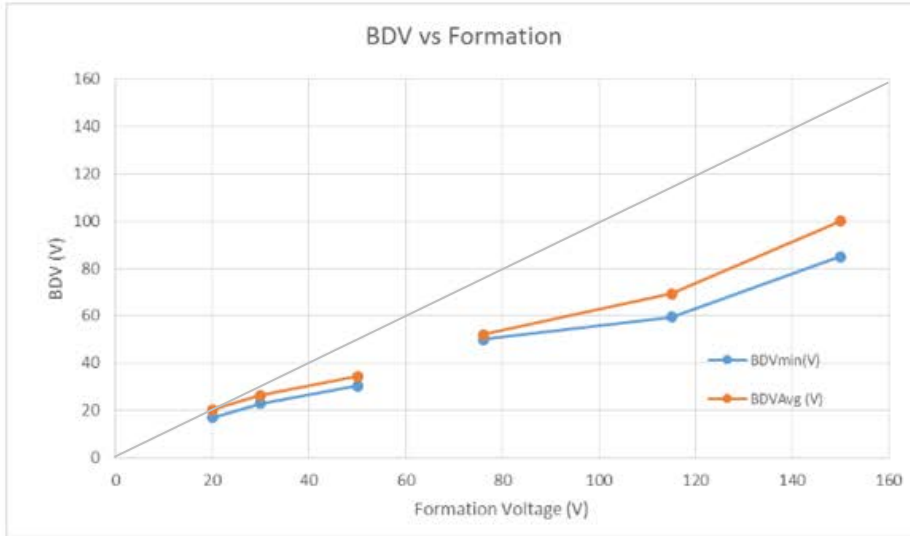


BDV Avg ~ 3 * U_r
BDV min ~ 2 x U_r

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KO HV – 2nd Generation Process

BDV behavior for 2nd generation process:



The new hybrid allowed the reduction of the number of local chemical reactions, and consequent defect sites, improving the interface quality between the coating and dielectric



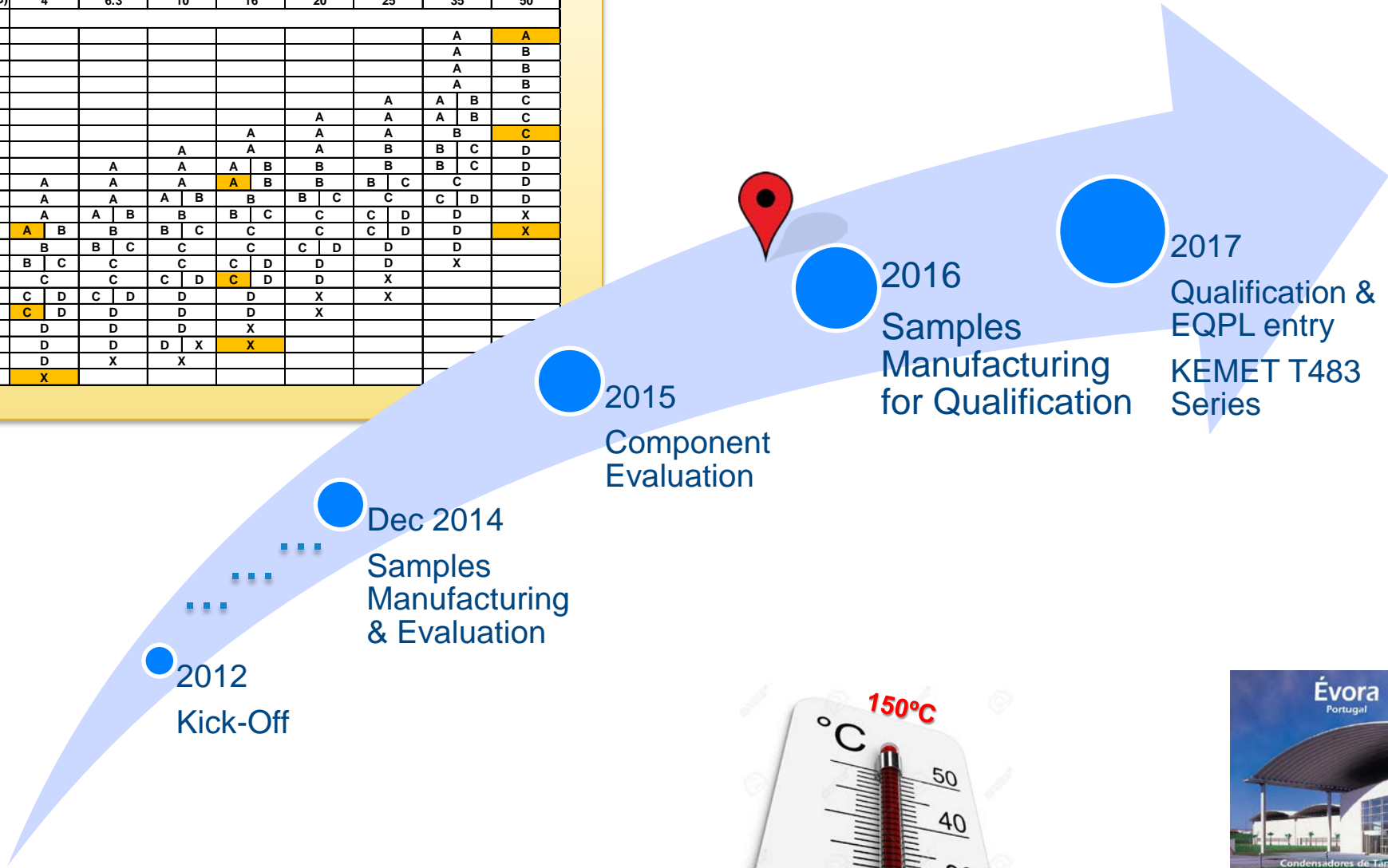
BDV Stabilized and descending behavior overcome => Higher voltages application!

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MnO₂ @ 150°C Project Evolution

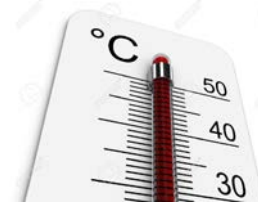
Target Product Offering:

V _R (V DC)	4	6.3	10	16	20	25	35	50
C _R (μF)								
0.1							A	A
0.15							A	B
0.22							A	B
0.33							A	B
0.47						A	A	B
0.68					A	A	A	B
1				A	A	A	B	C
1.5			A	A	A	B	B	C
2.2		A	A	A	B	B	B	C
3.3	A	A	A	A	B	B	B	C
4.7	A	A	A	B	B	C	C	D
6.8	A	A	B	B	C	C	C	D
10	A	B	B	C	C	C	D	X
15	B	B	C	C	C	D	D	
22	B	C	C	C	D	D	X	
33	C	C	C	D	D	X		
47	C	D	D	D	X	X		
68	C	D	D	D	X			
100	D	D	D	X				
150	D	D	D	X				
220	D	X	X					
330	X							



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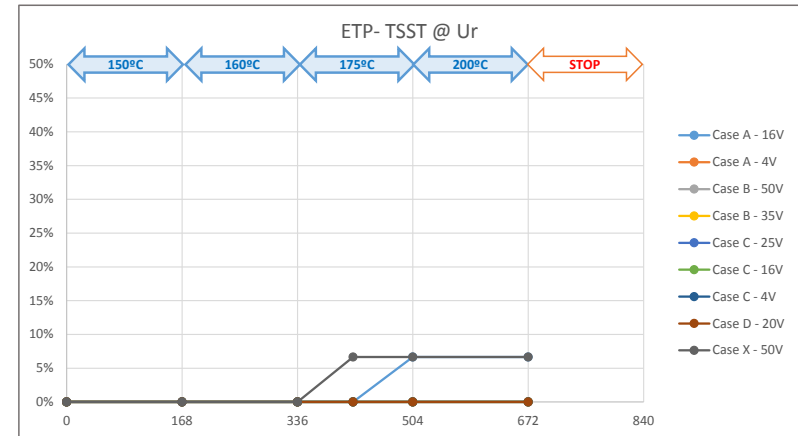
MnO₂ @ 150°C - Project Evolution



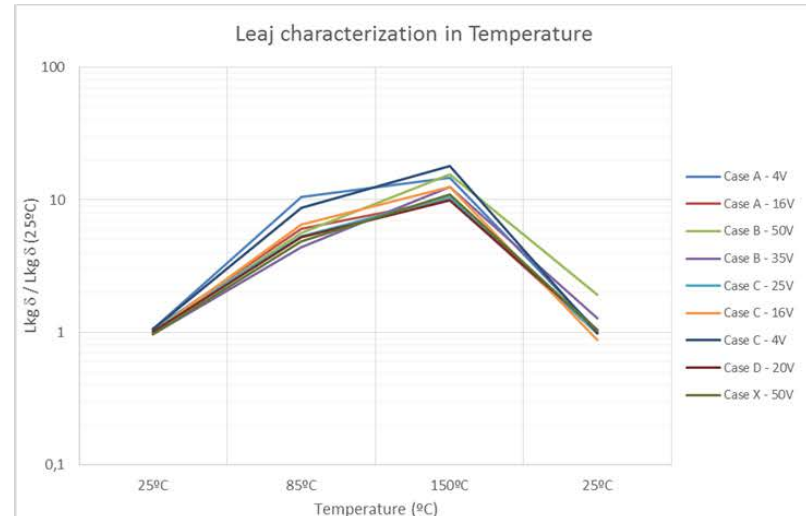
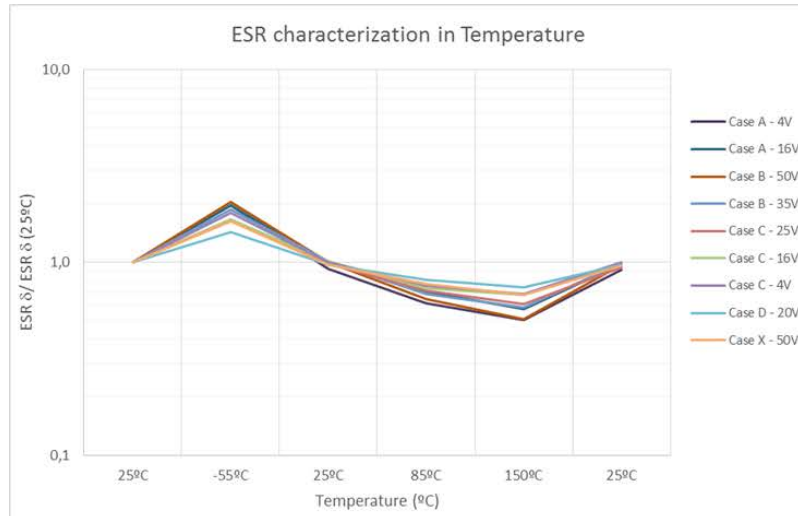
Evaluation Test Program:

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2Bi	Voltage Step Stress Test @ 150°C (VSST)	---	OK
2Bii	Temperature Step Stress Test @ Ur (TSST)	2Bi	OK
2Biii	High Inrush Current Step Stress Test (SSST)	---	PASS
2Ci	Solderability/Adhesion	---	Not Started
2Cii	Solderability/Humidy Sequence	---	PASS
3	Steady State Accelerate Life Test (T1/V1, T2/V2, T3/V3)	2Bi/ 2Bii	Not Started
4	Operational Life Tests (@ 85°C/ 150°C)	---	Not Started
5	Storage @ 150°C	---	Not Started

Temperature Stress Step Test:

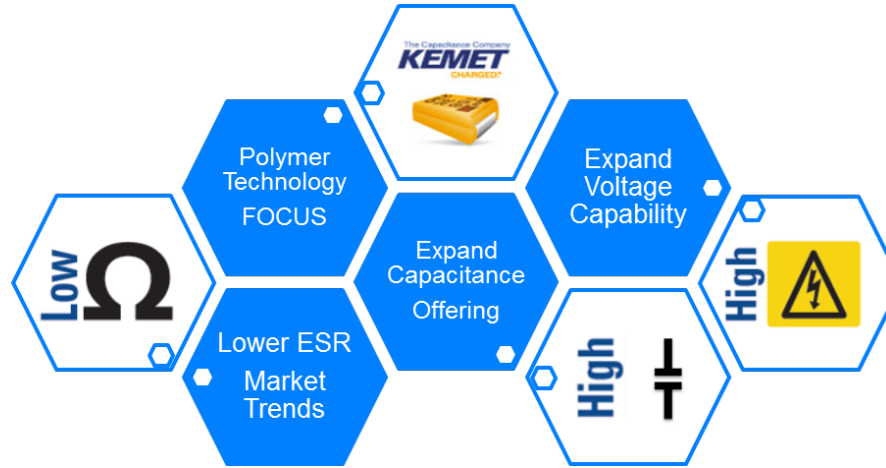


Temperature Stability from 4V->50V:



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Path Forward



- 📦 Complete the ESA QPL for T583 KO Low Voltage Series
- 📦 Finish ESA ETP for the T583 KO High Voltage Series and apply to EPPL-part2
- 📦 Complete ESA ETP for T483 MnO₂ 150°C max op. Temperature
- 📦 Pursue space market trends and apply to new projects...

KEMET will continue its development efforts qualifying components of SMD Tantalum technology for Space applications with increasing harsh environmental conditions!

Thank You!

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