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PRECISION VALVE CORPORATION

Founded (by Bob Abplanalp):	1949
Current President & CEO:	John Abplanalp
Subsidiaries:	16
Employees:	1950
Annual Turnover:	\$350 million
Annual Valve Production	4 billion
Website: www.precisionglobal.com	



QUALITY OF SPRAY: THE KEY FACTORS

Quality of Spray is “governed” by:-

Propellant Type
 Pressure
 Quantity

“Black Magic”
& “years of experience”

Formula Viscosity
 Surface Tension

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Liquified Propellants

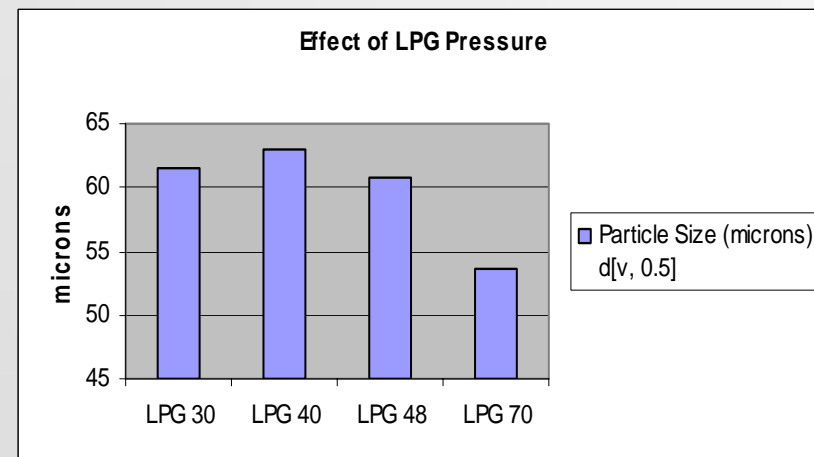
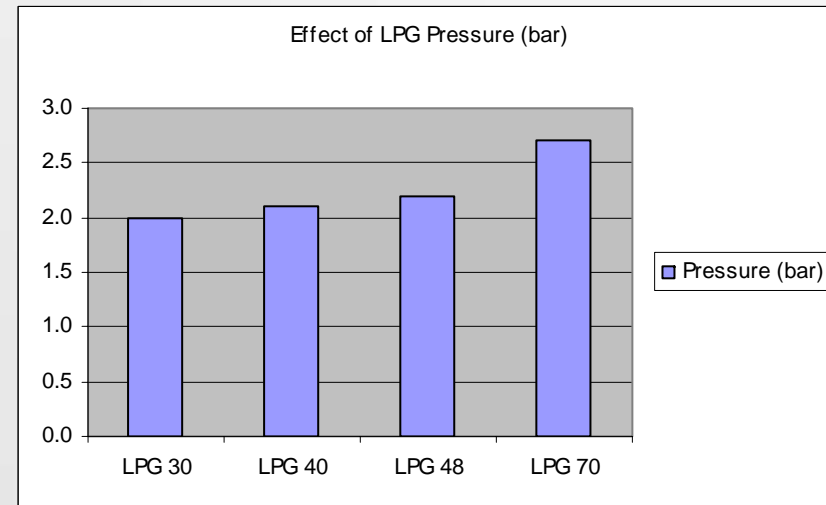
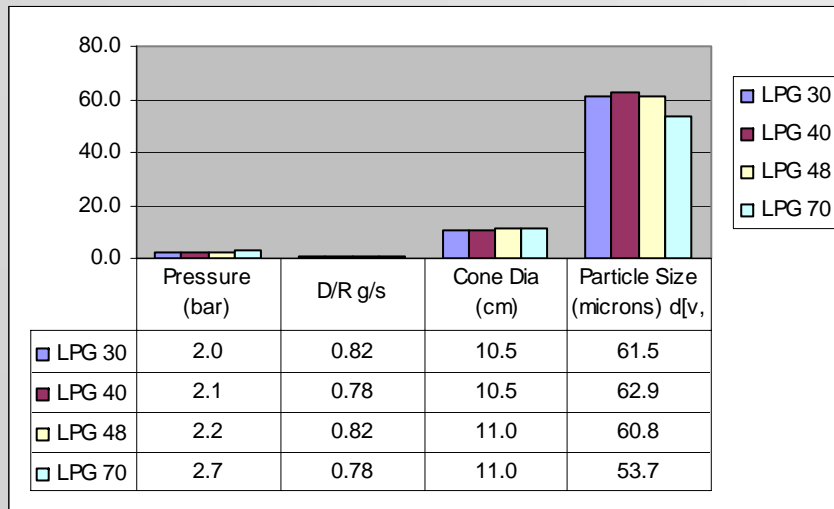
- LPG, DME or HFCs

Compressed Gases

Range of Pressure

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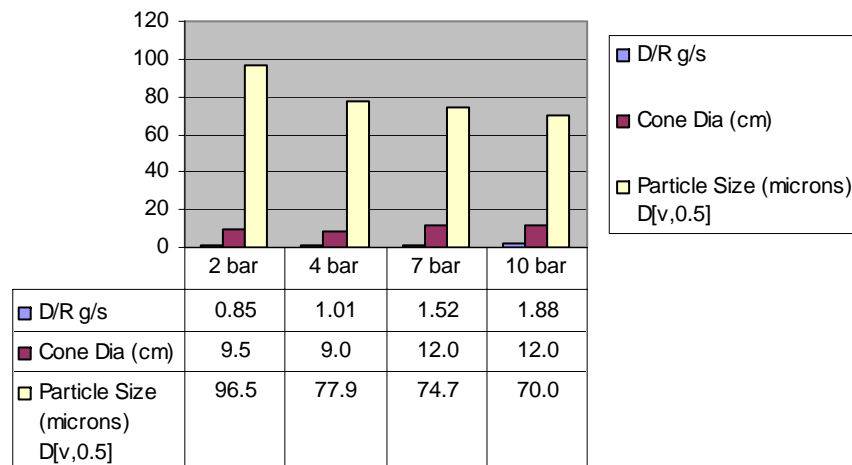
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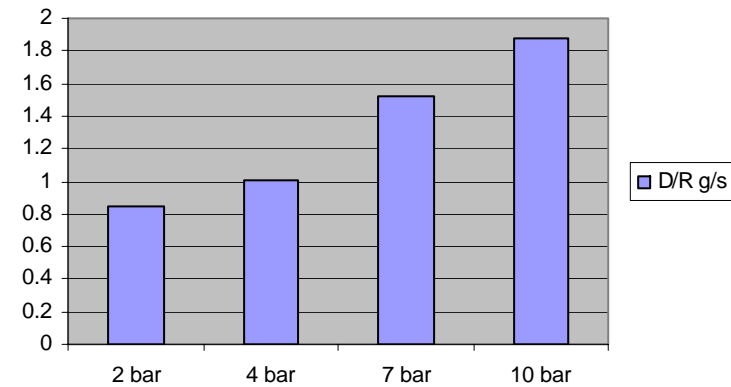
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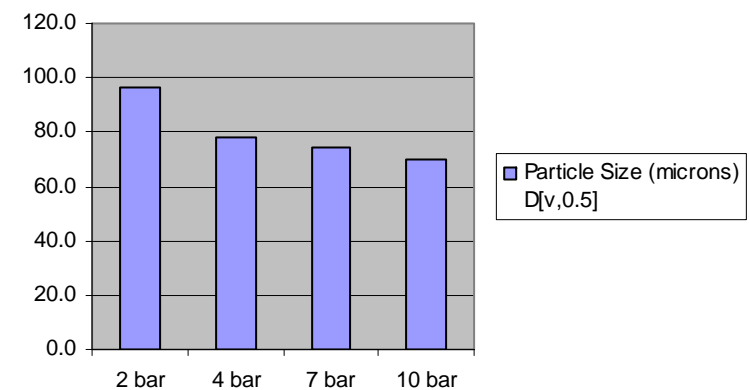
Effect of Compressed Gas Pressure



D/R g/s



Particle Size (microns) D[v,0.5]



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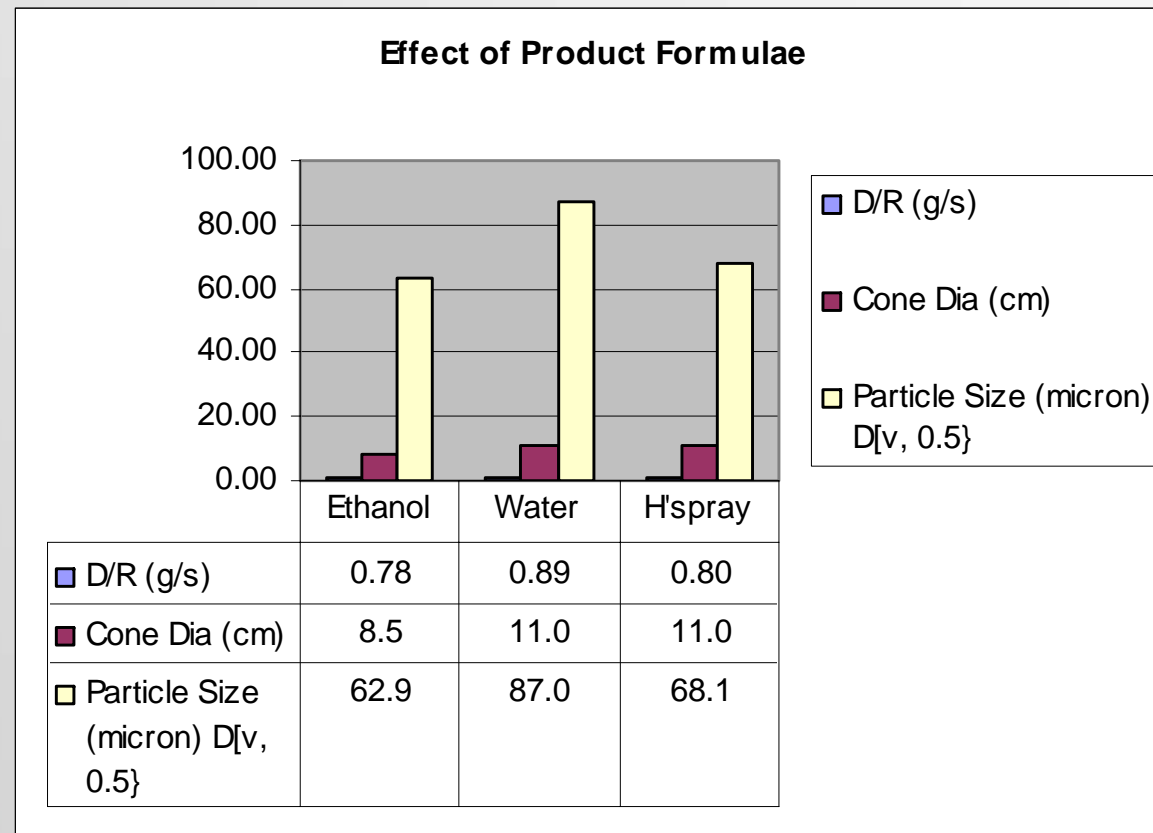
Formula

Viscosity

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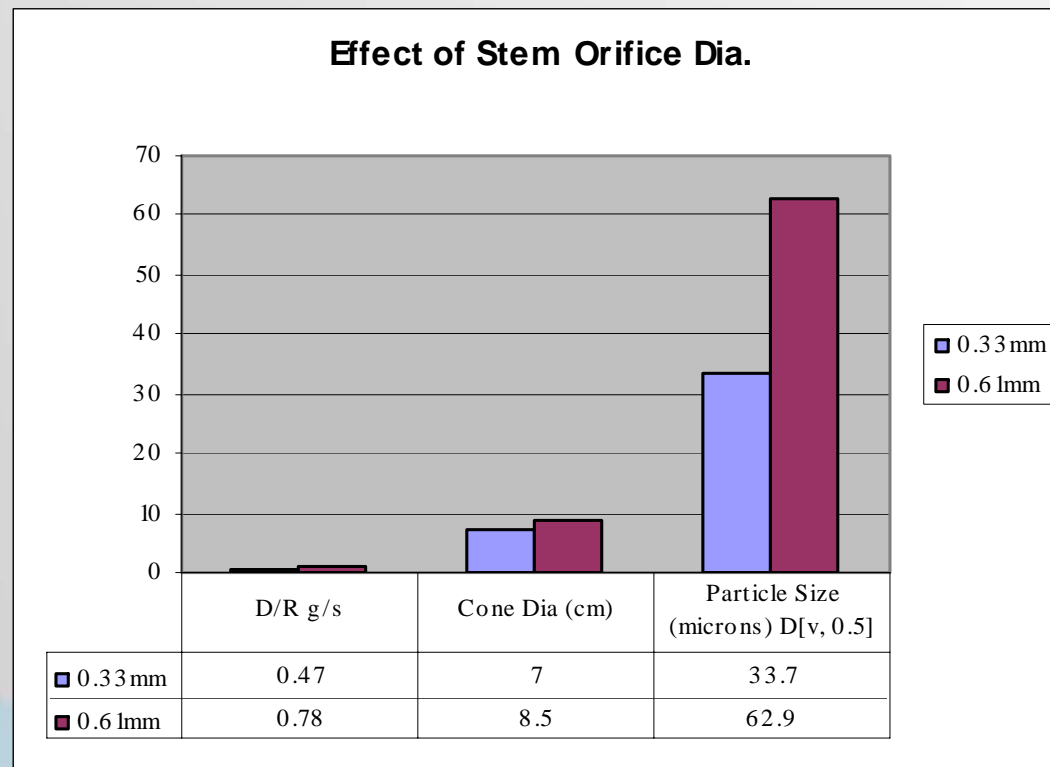
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Stem orifice

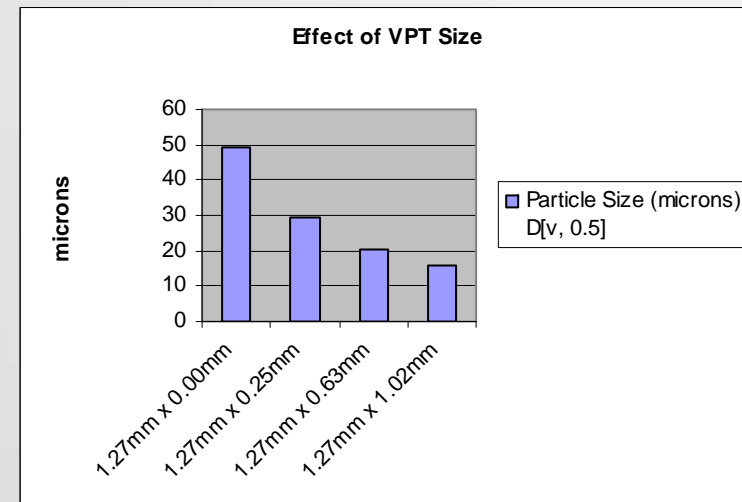
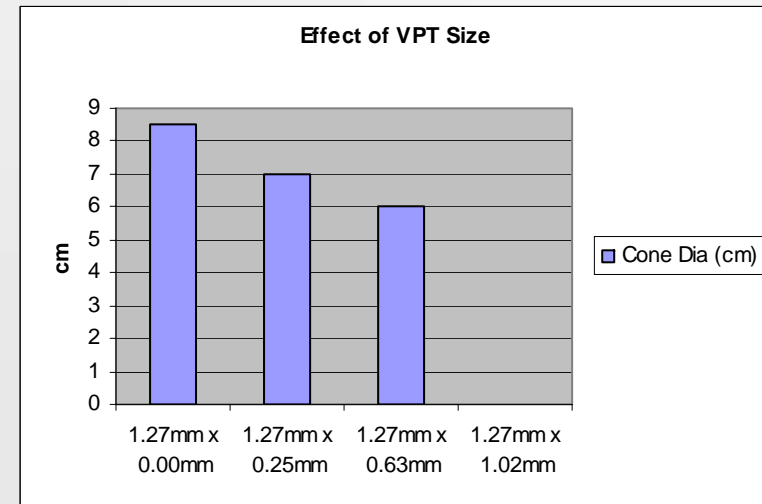
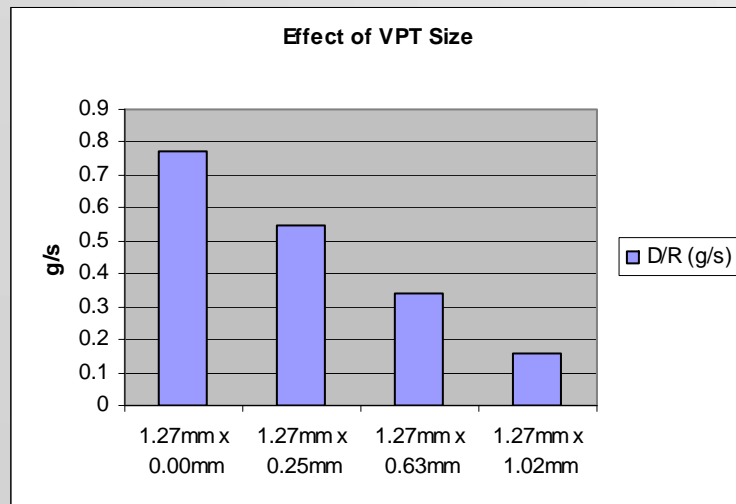
Housing RTP & VTP

Hardware (Actuator)

Insert

- Design

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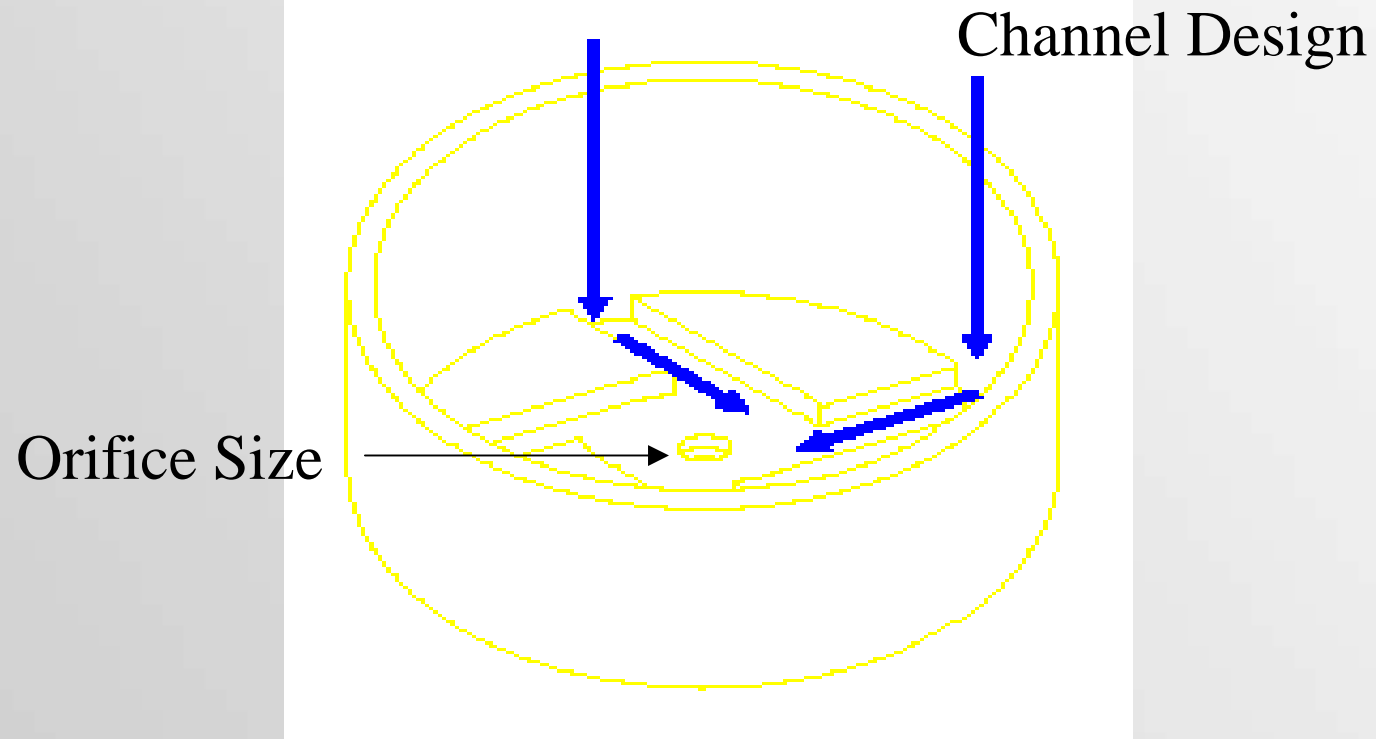
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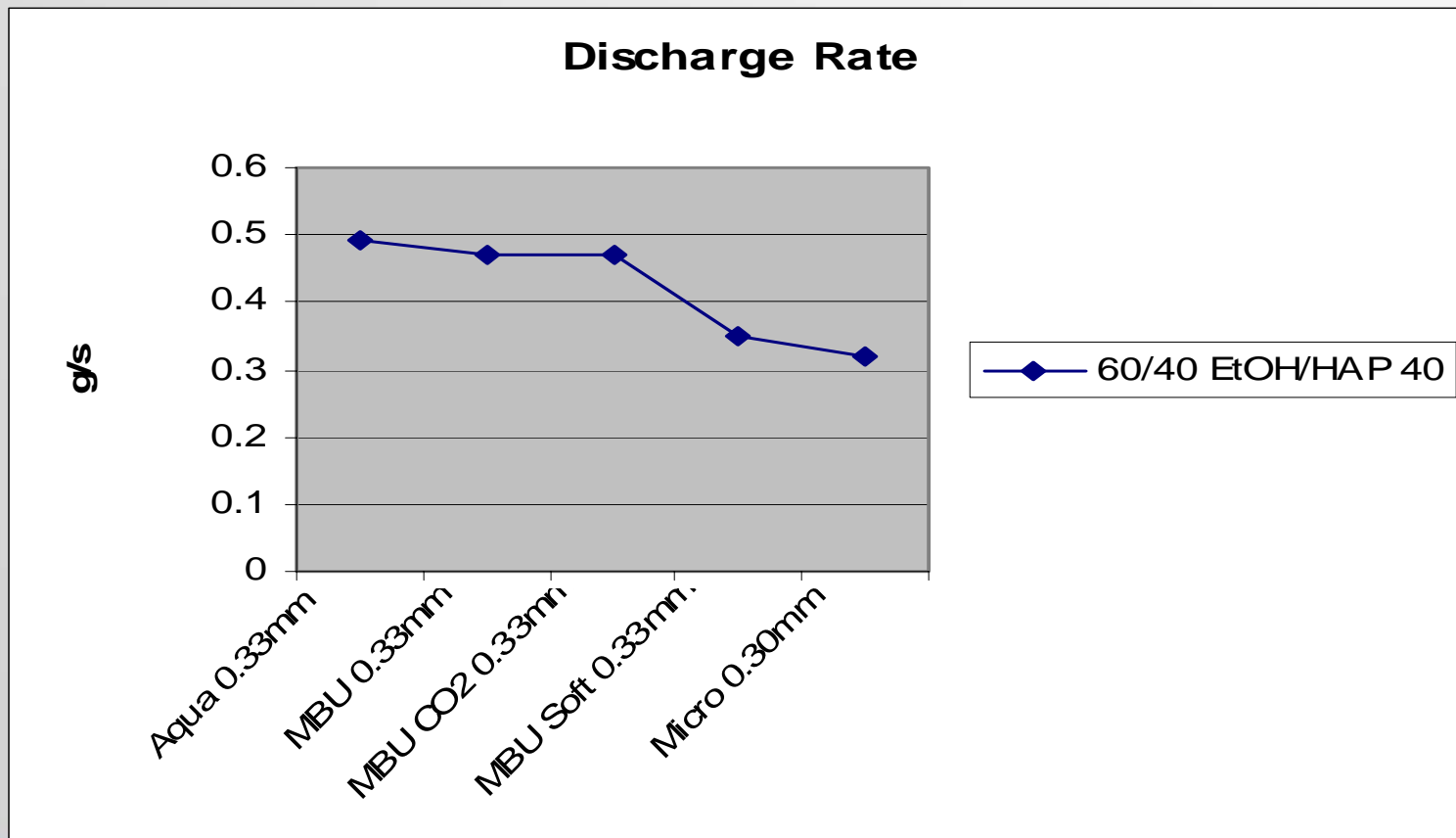
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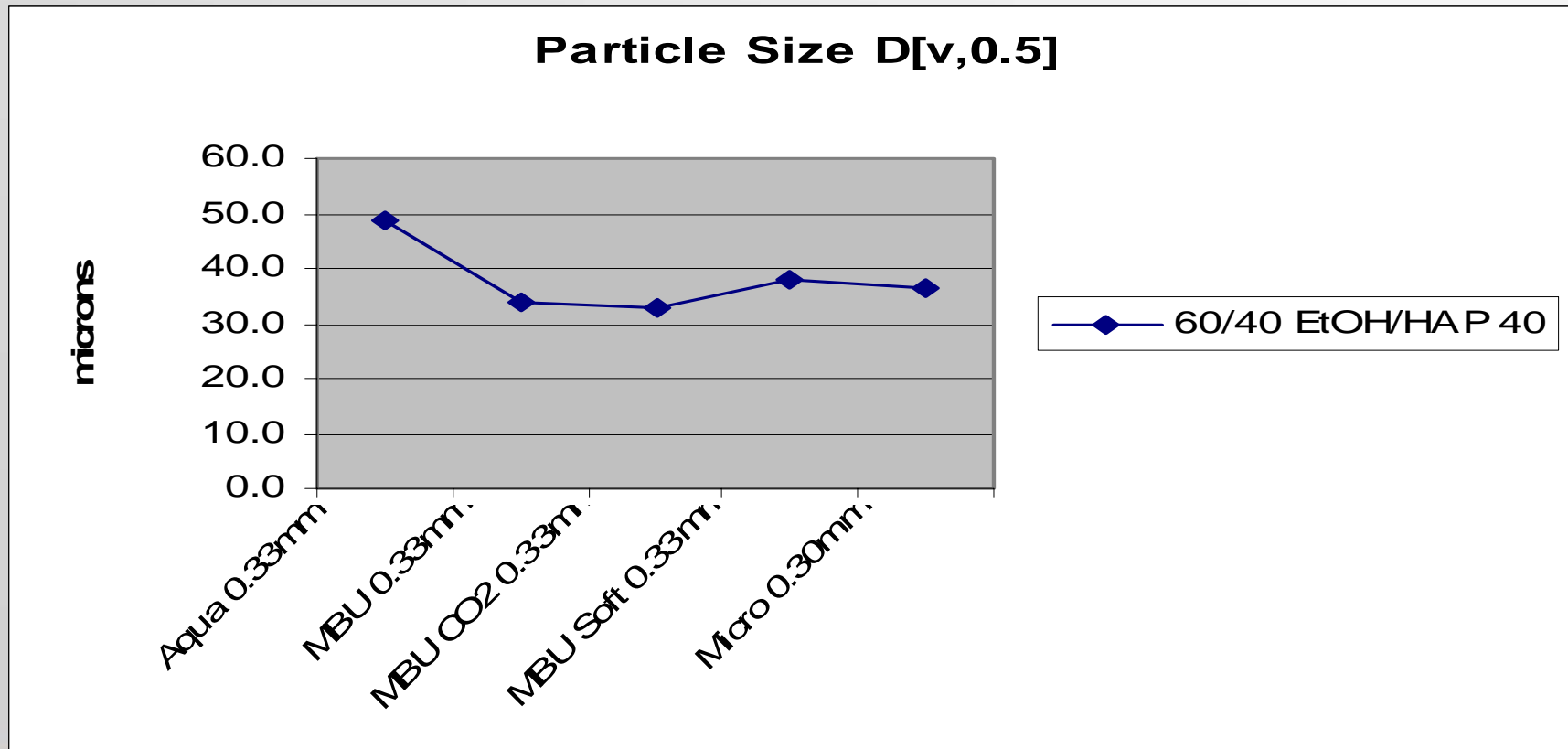
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Effect of Insert (mbu) Design on Discharge Rate



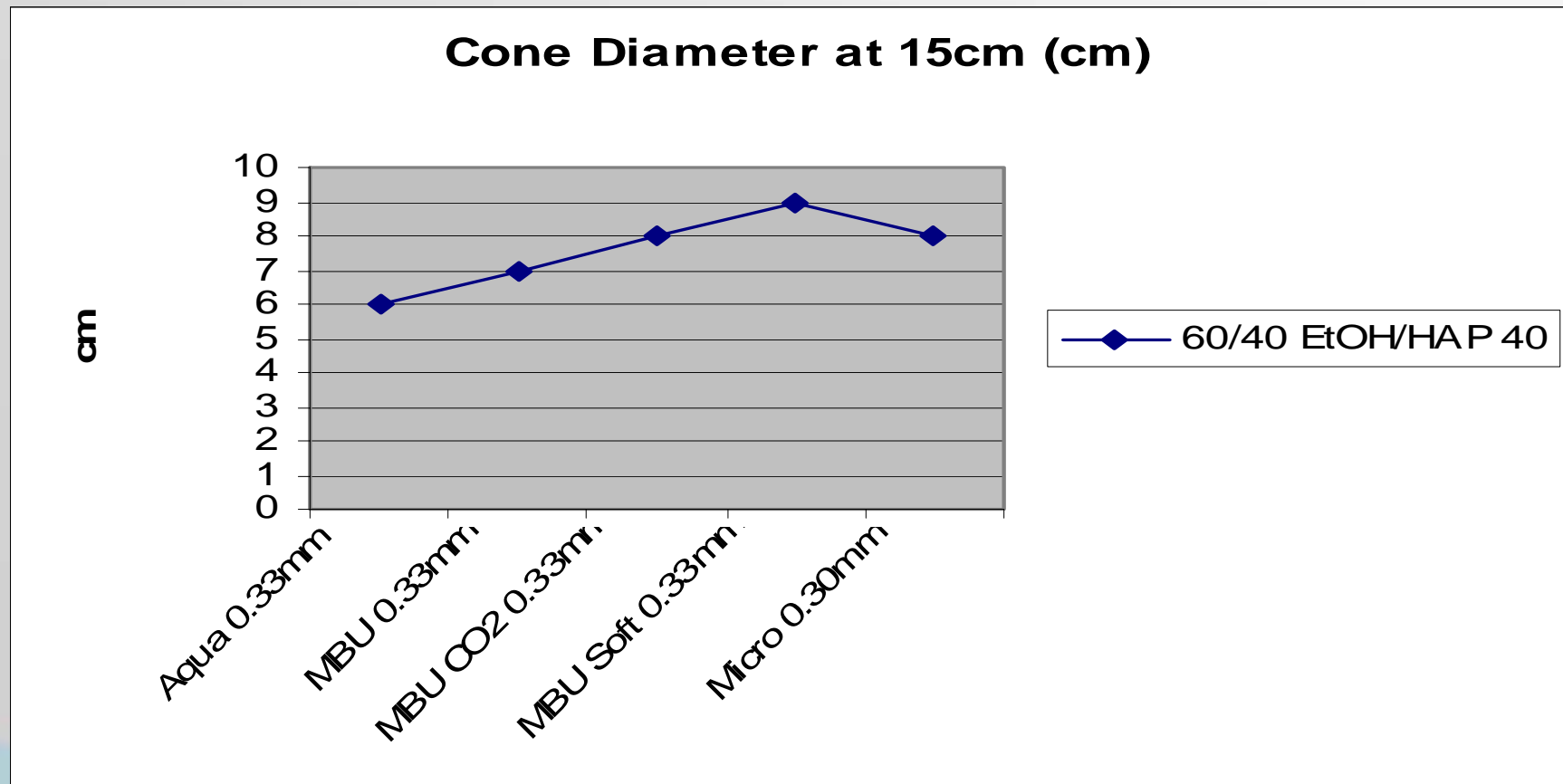
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Effect of Insert (mbu) Design on Particle Size



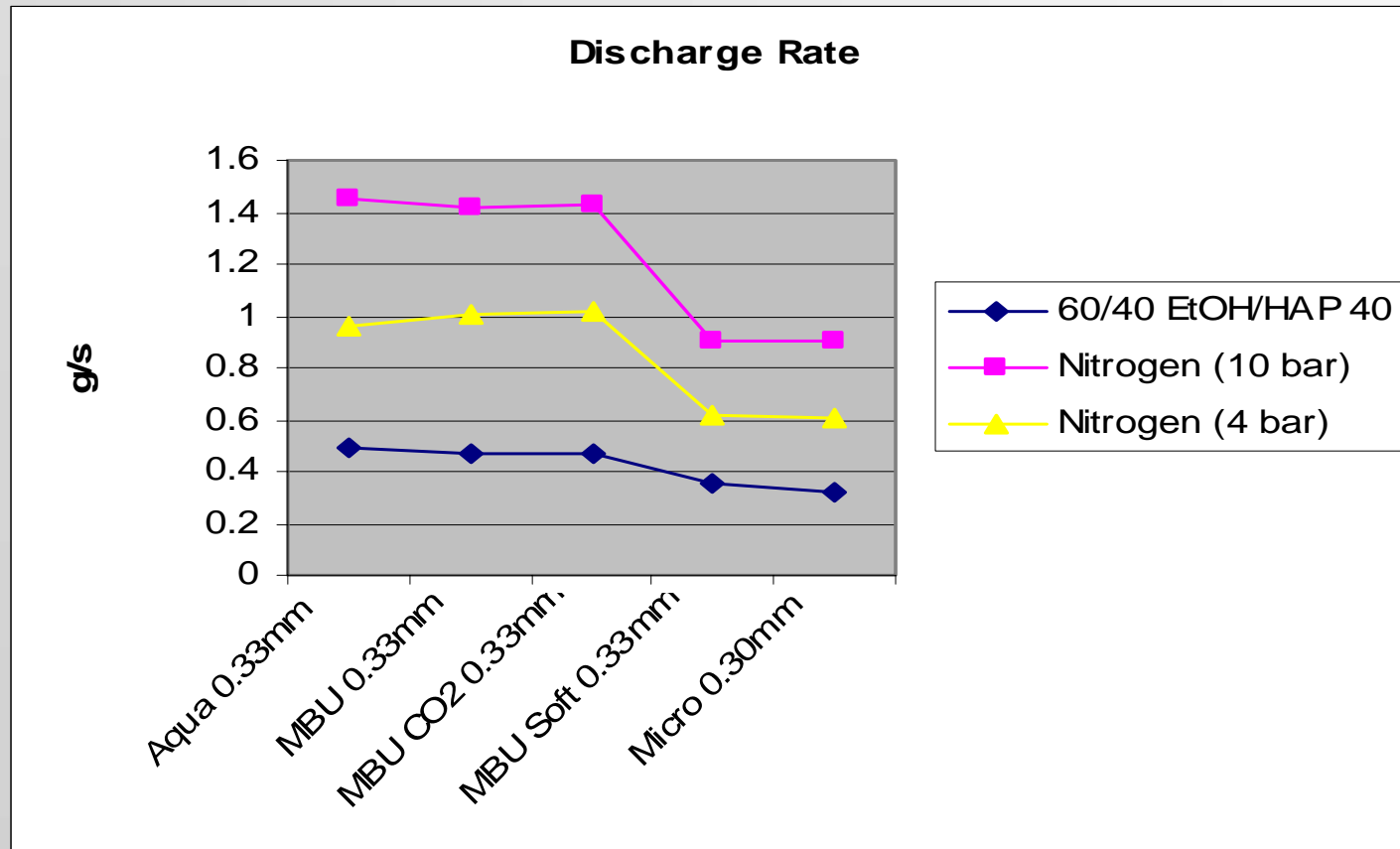
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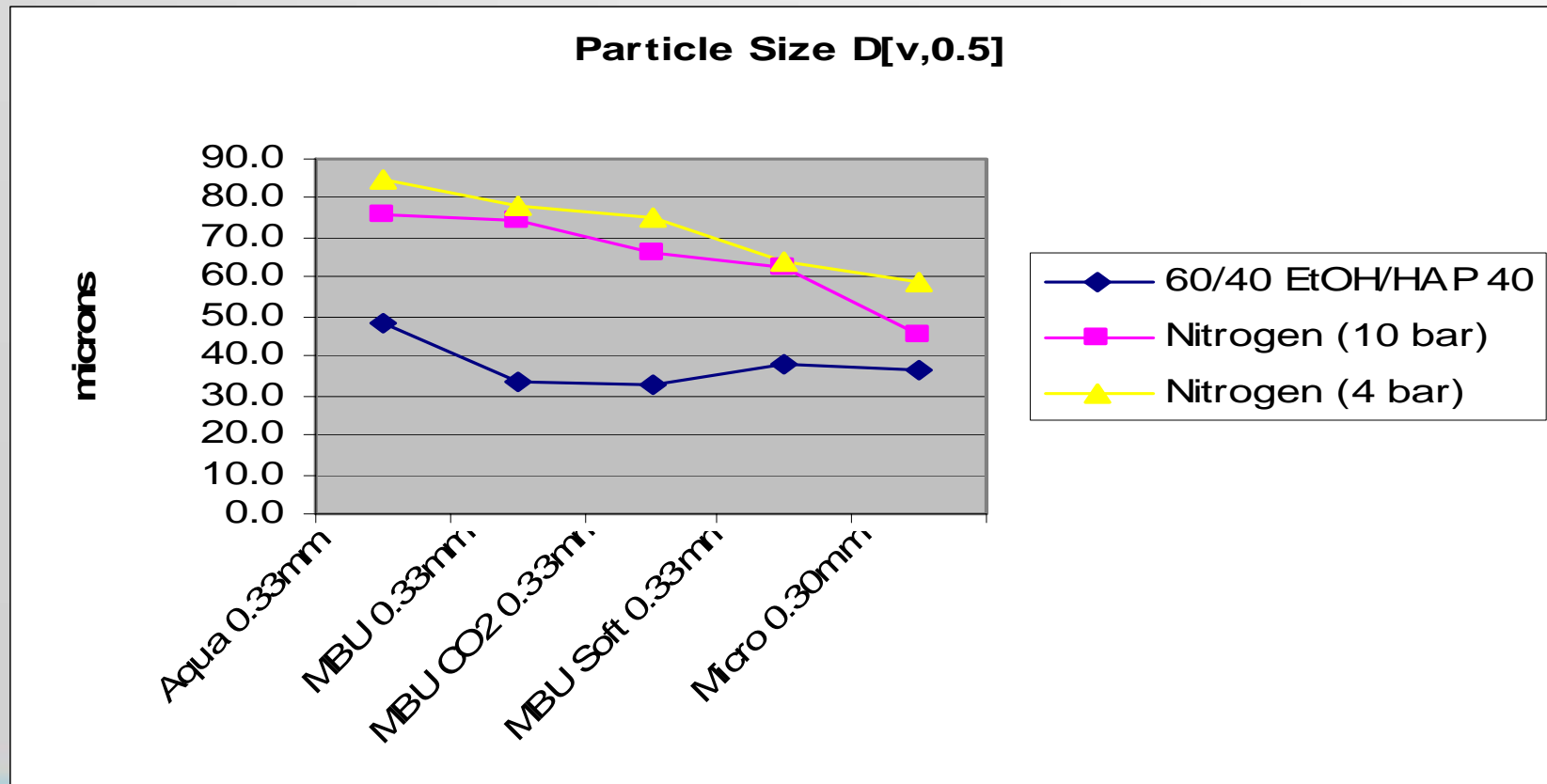
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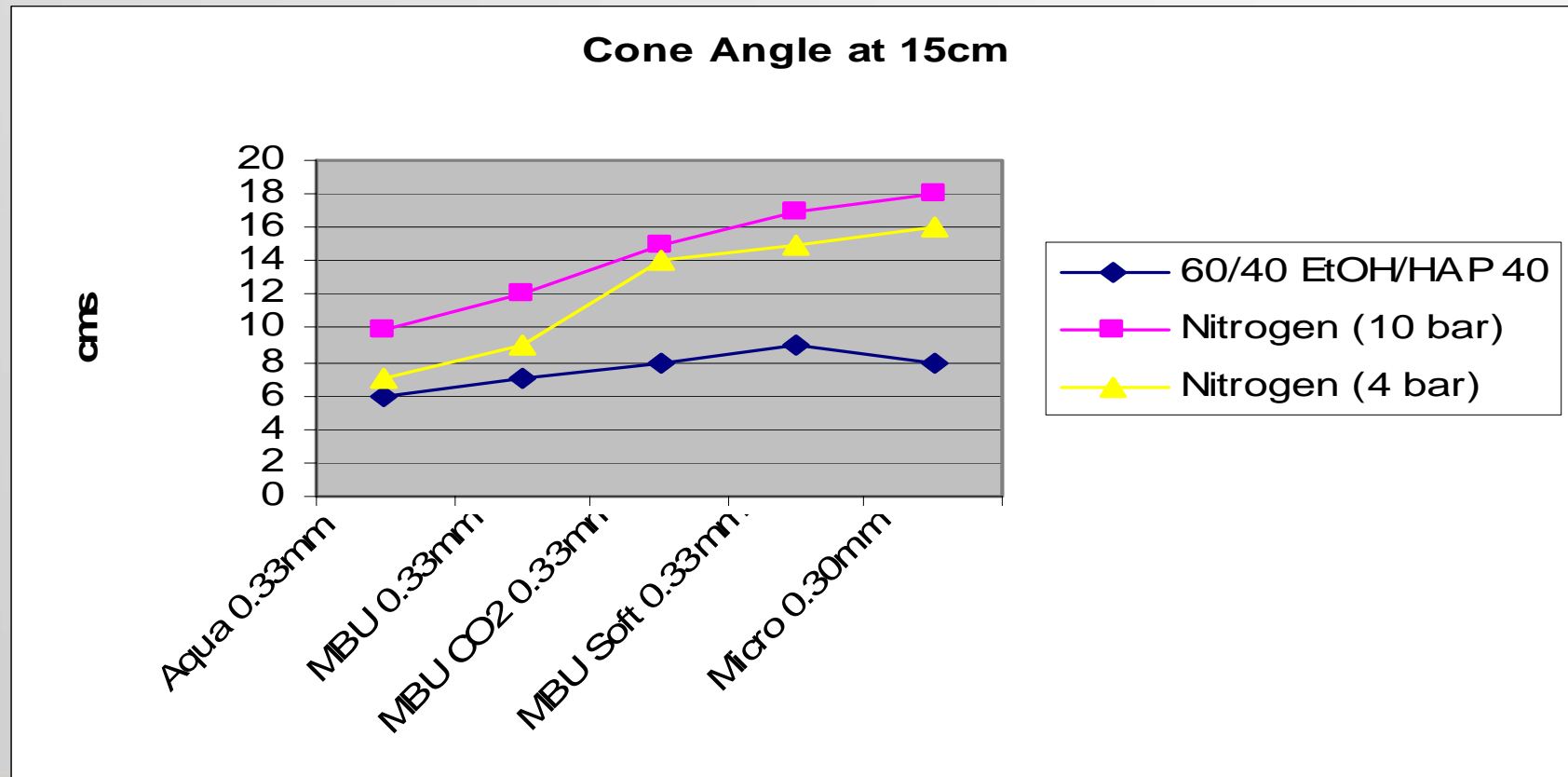
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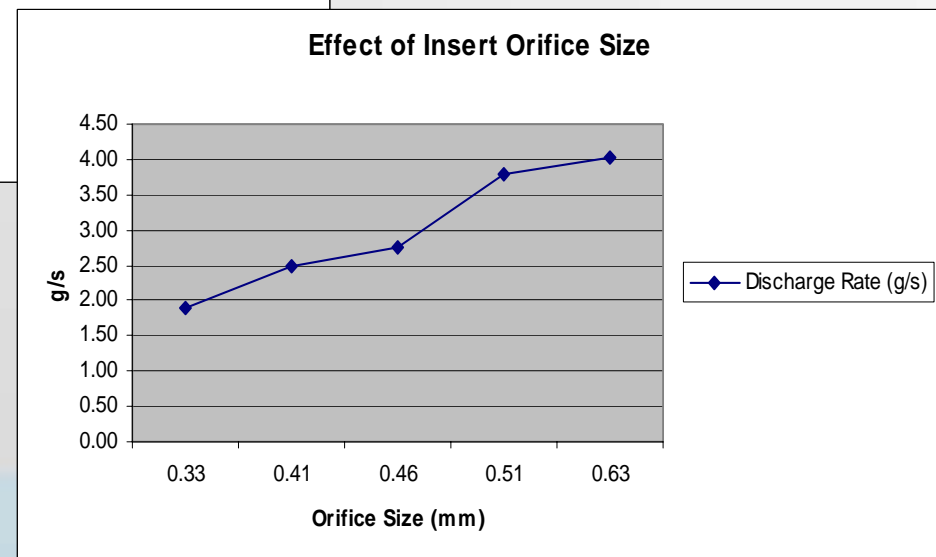
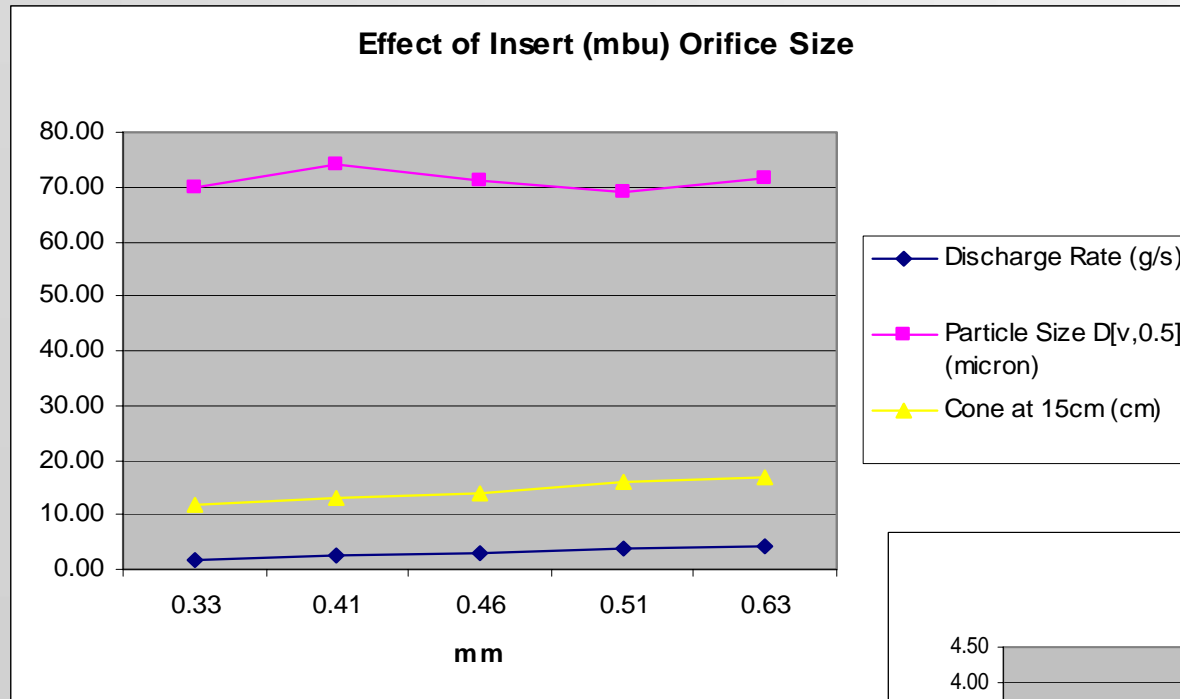
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Effect of Insert (mbu) Orifice Size (10 bar nitrogen)



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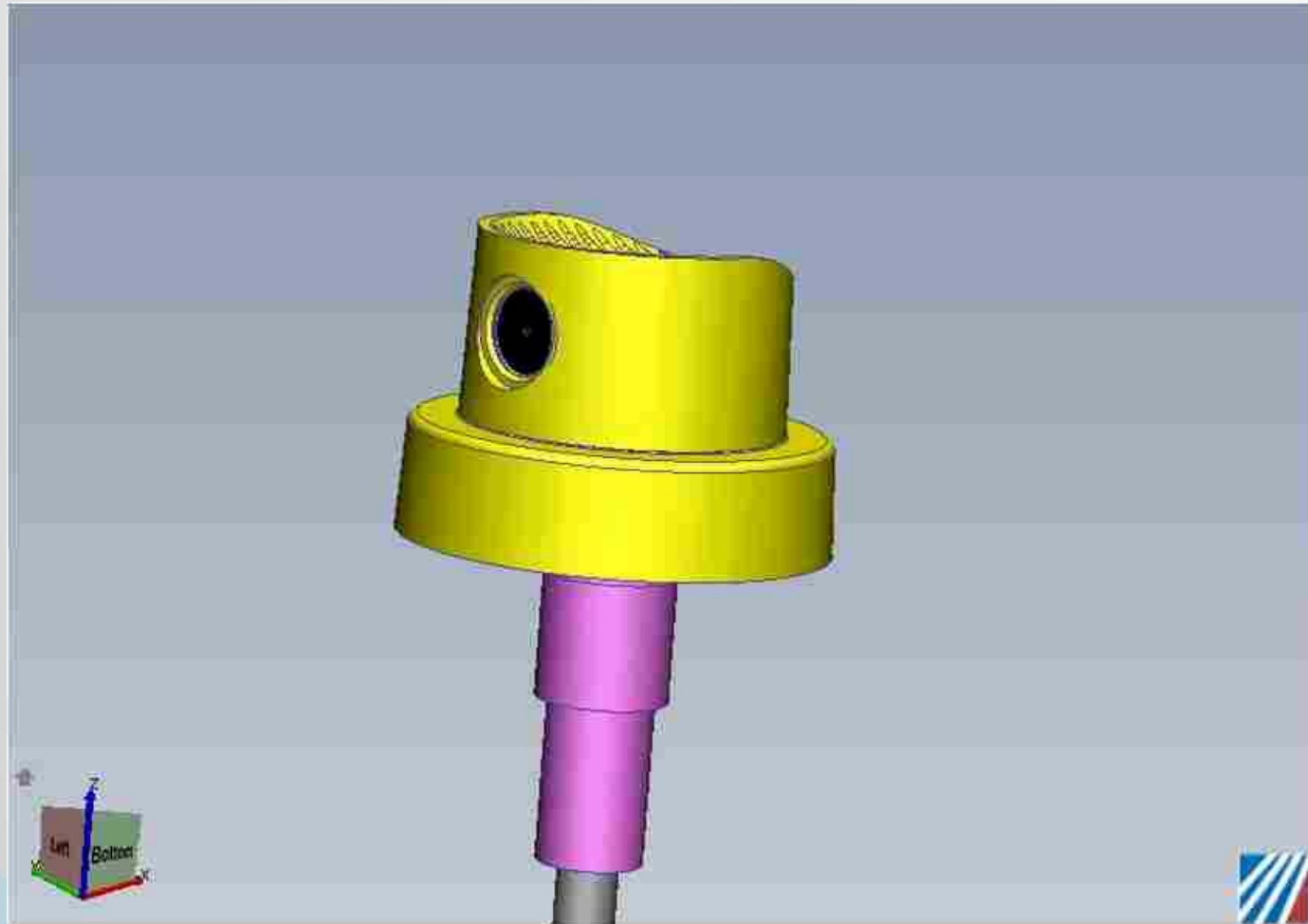
Replacing “magic” with “science”!

Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) software is a tool we can now use to investigate trends introduced by changes in geometry, pressure & fluids.

Geometric iterations can be studied prior to a design going to the stages of cutting steel & making physical parts.

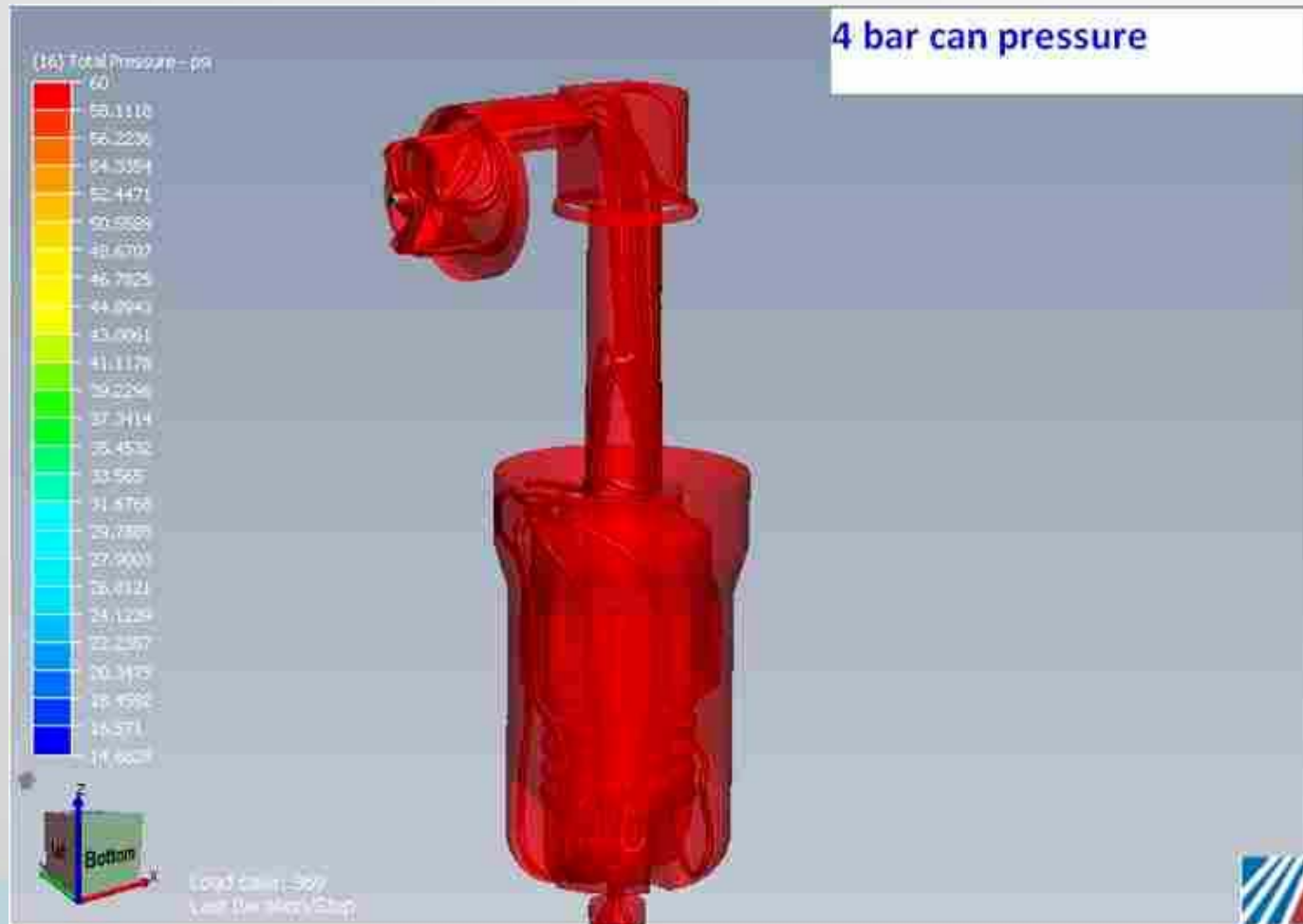
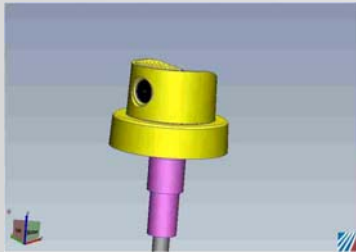
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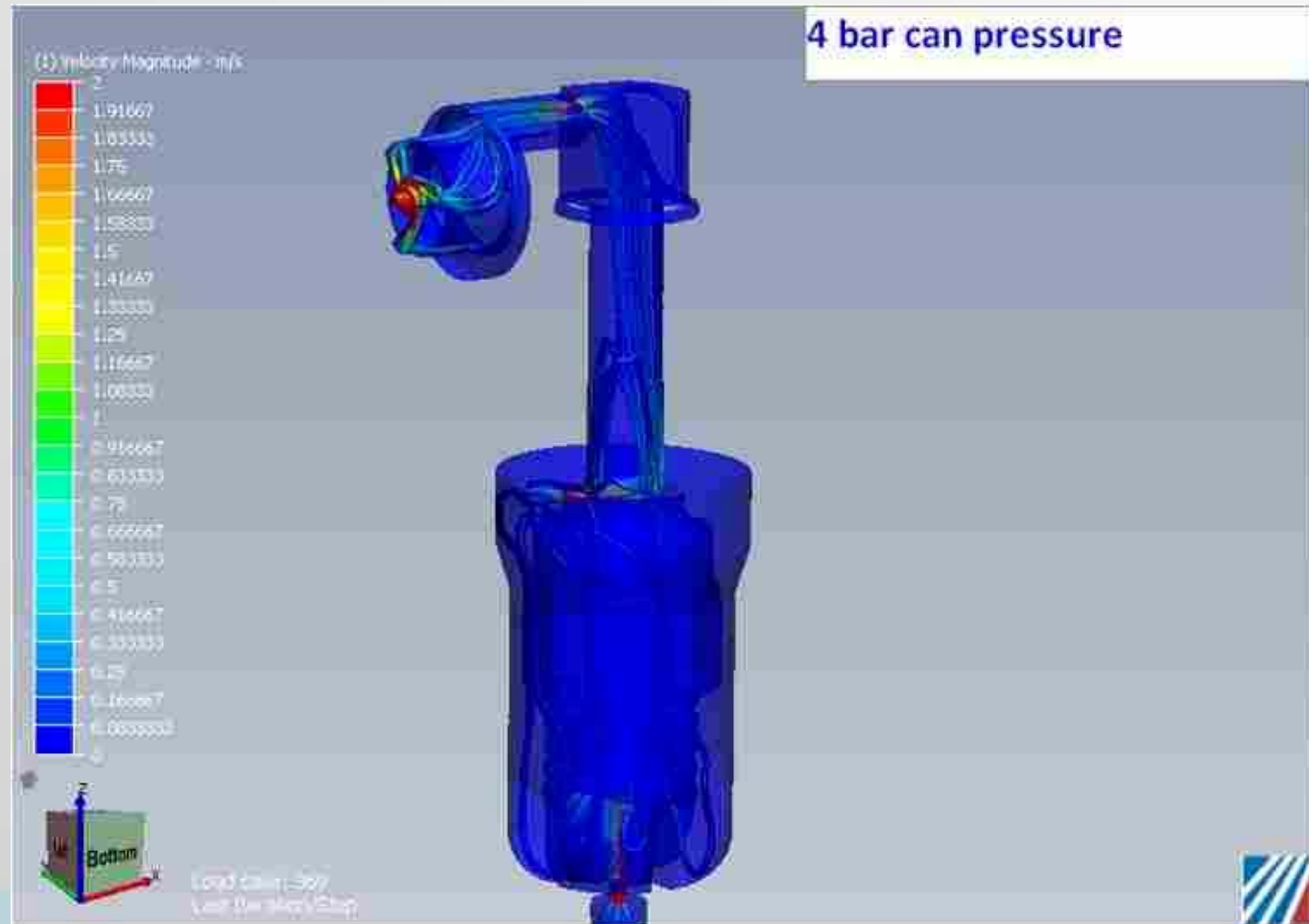
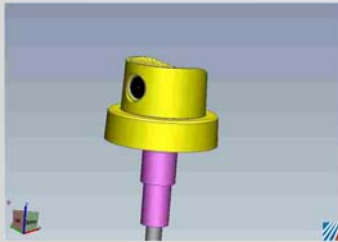
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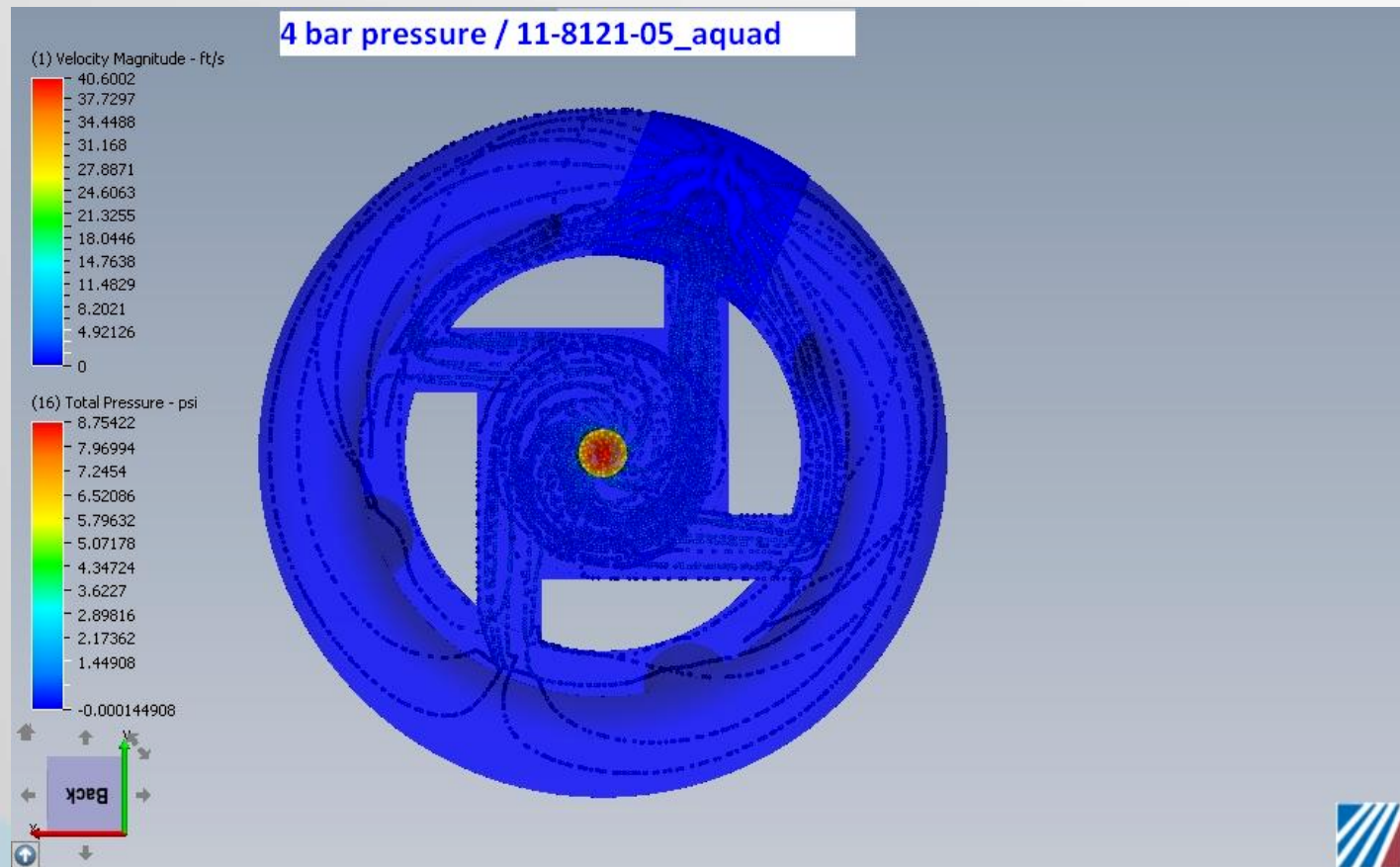
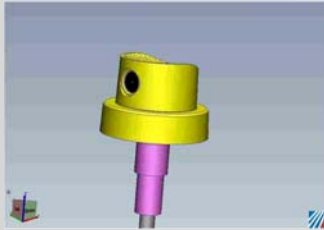
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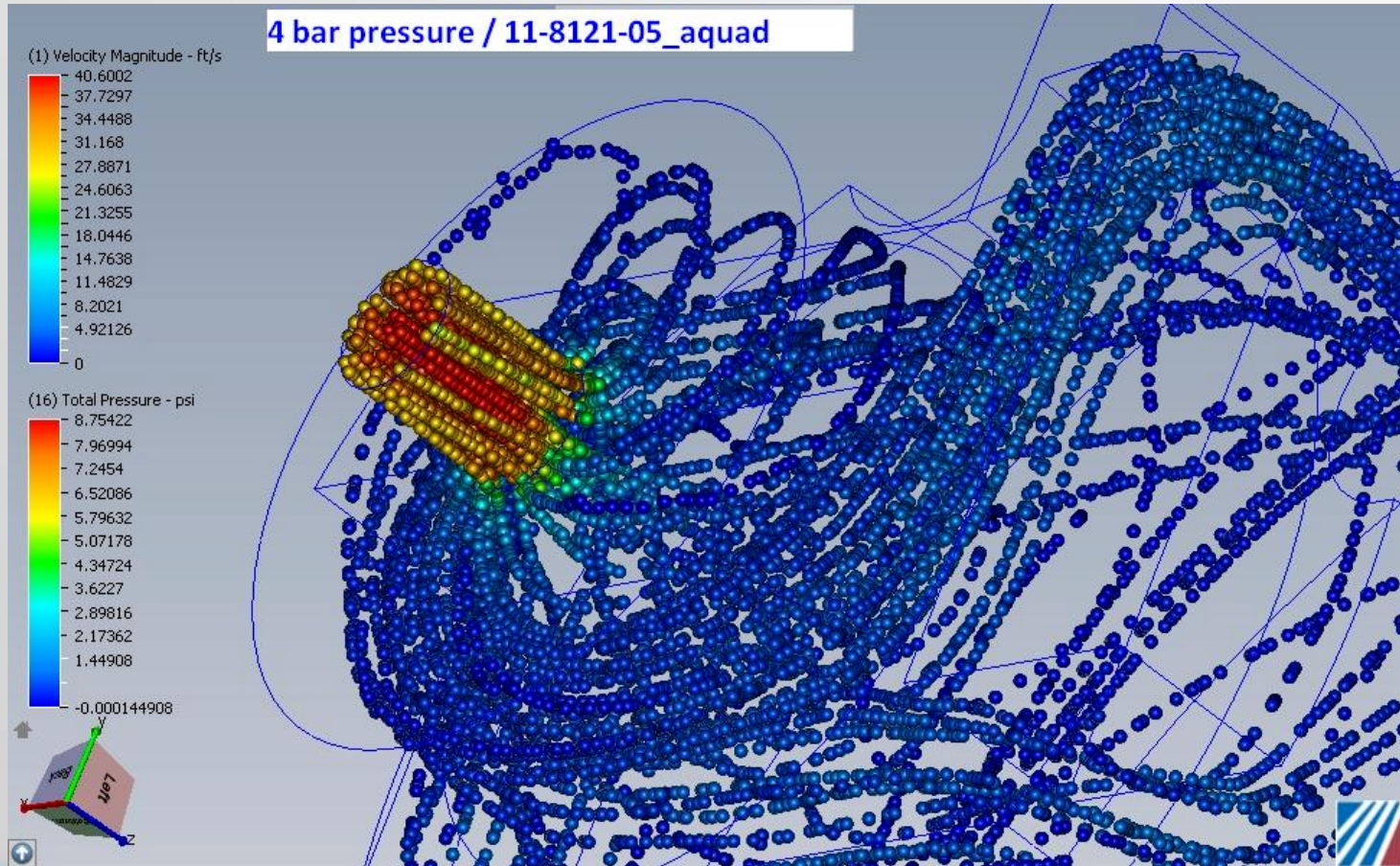
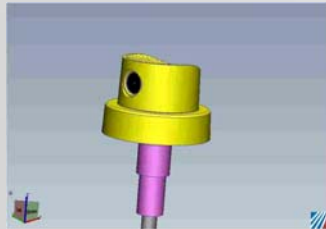
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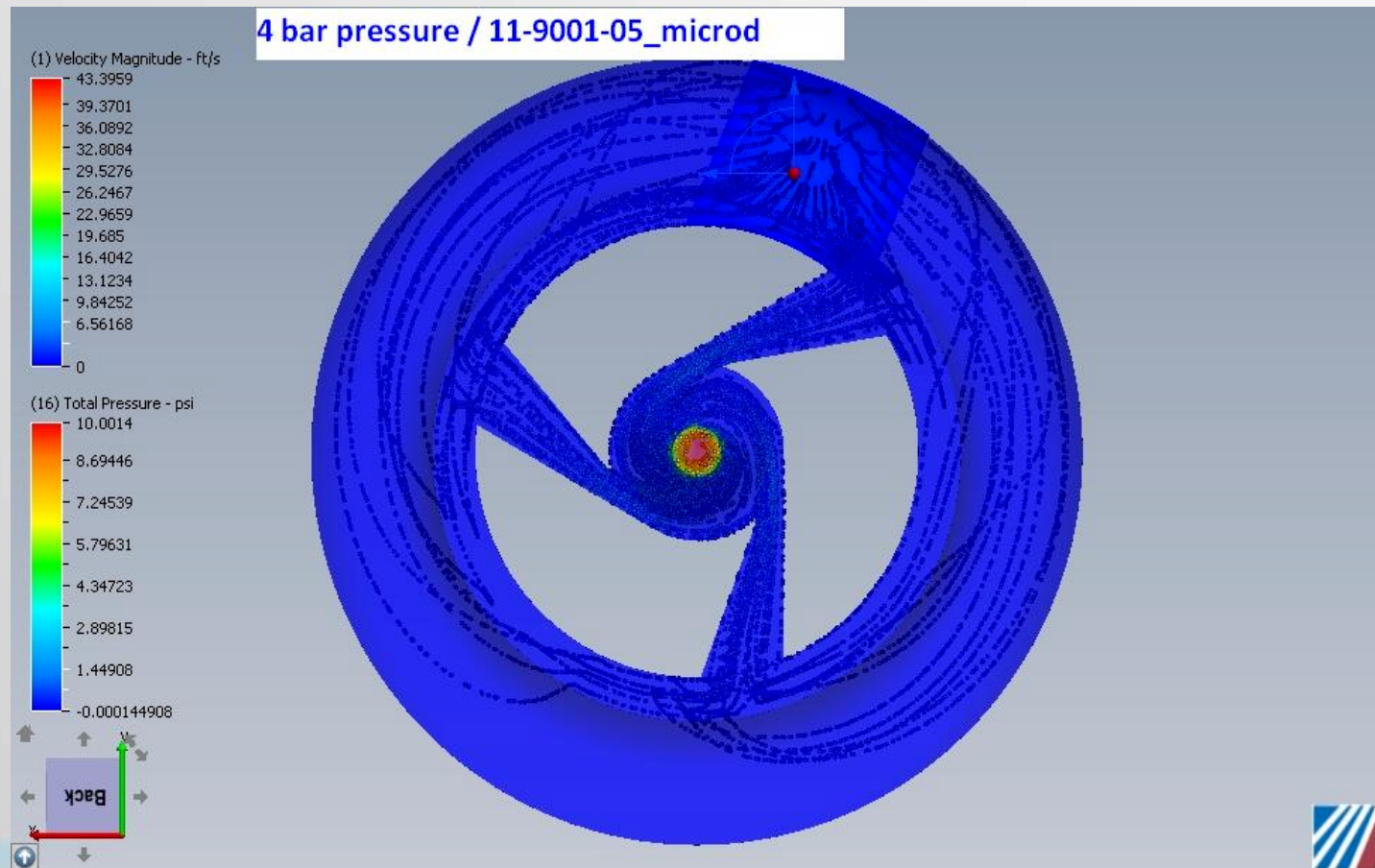
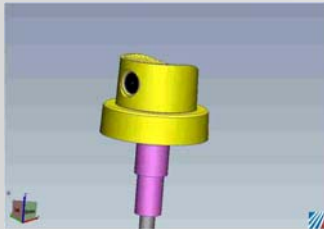
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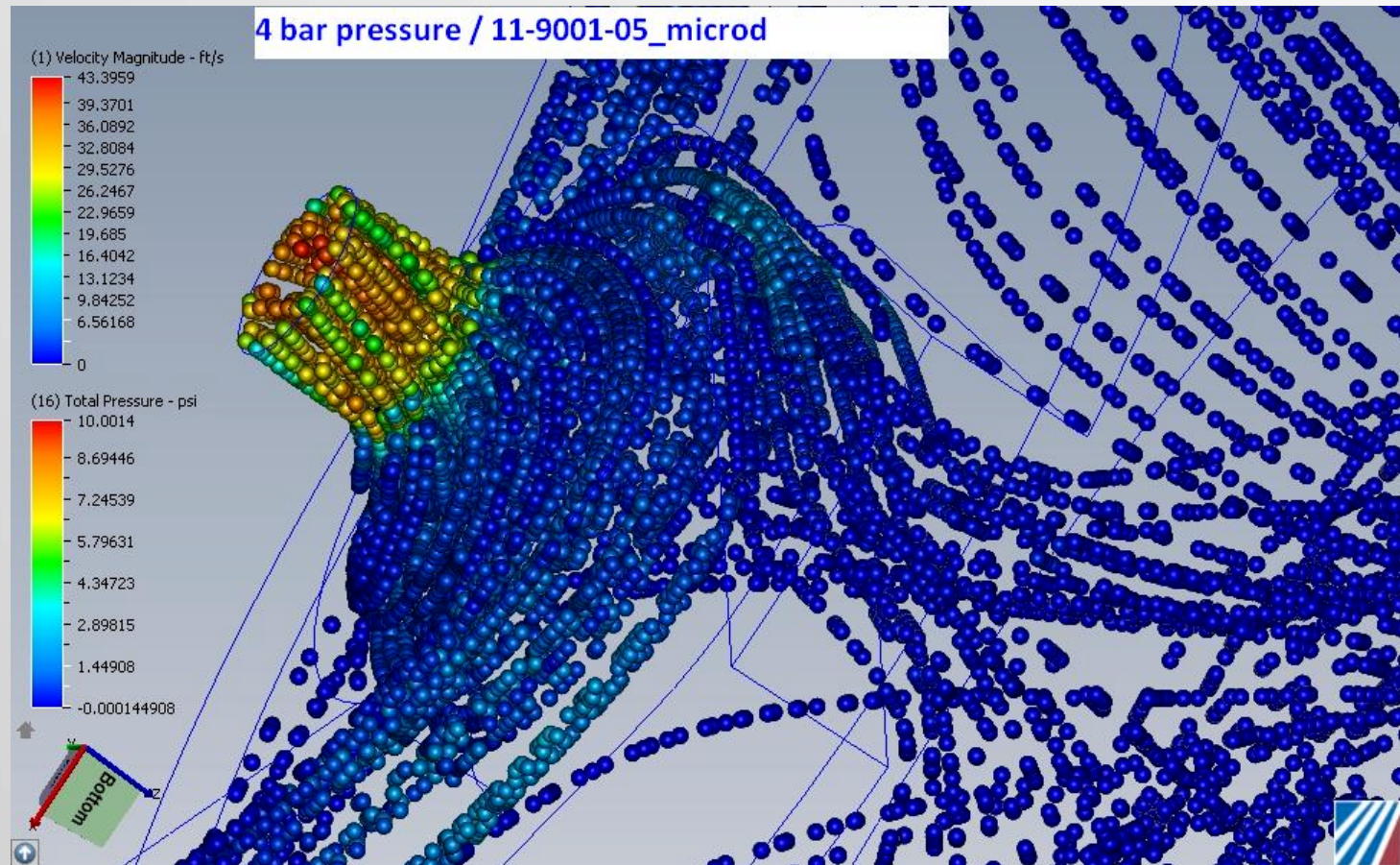
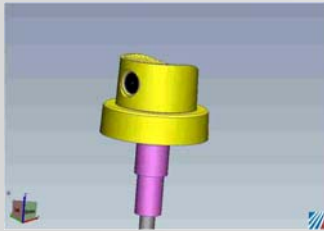
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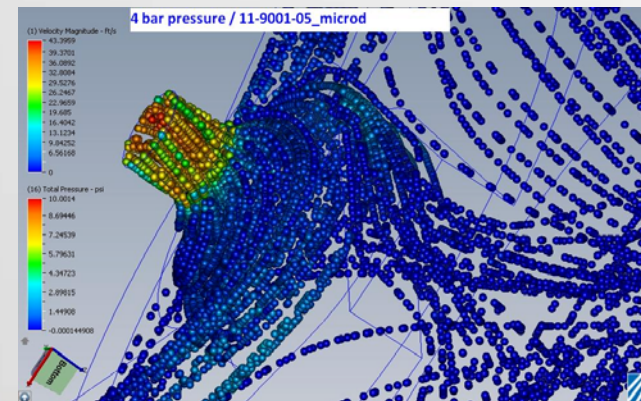
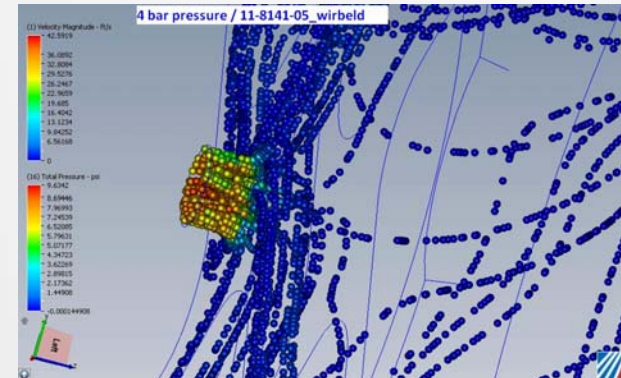
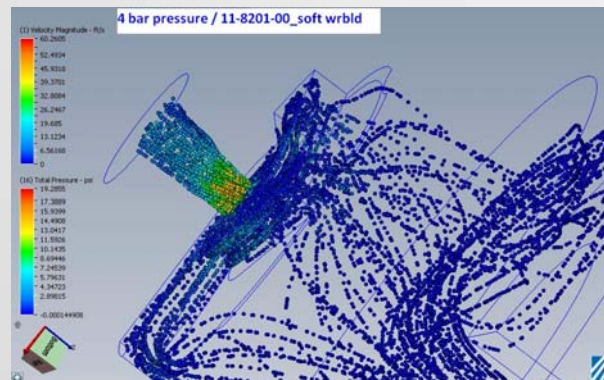
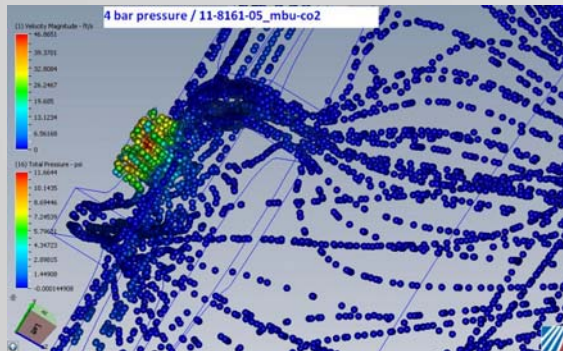
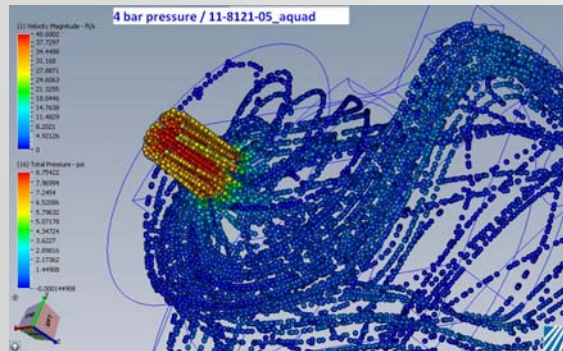
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