

# TECHNICAL COMPARISON CT POLYMERS vs. PCTFE

### WHY VICTREX™ CT POLYMERS?

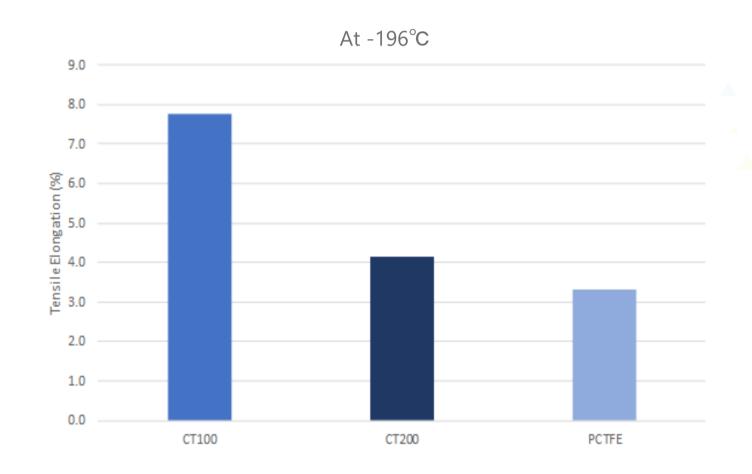
START REALIZING THE BENEFITS
AND SAVINGS

- > The production of natural gas continues to grow globally, representing 22% of the global energy consumption in 2017.
- > Liquefied natural gas provides a range of low temperature engineering challenges to the industry.
- > VICTREX CT polymer offers processors and end-users a tailor-made solution to address the challenges of low temperature environments.
- > The data in this deck is based on results of testing commissioned by Victrex



#### **SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER TENSILE ELONGATION(%)**

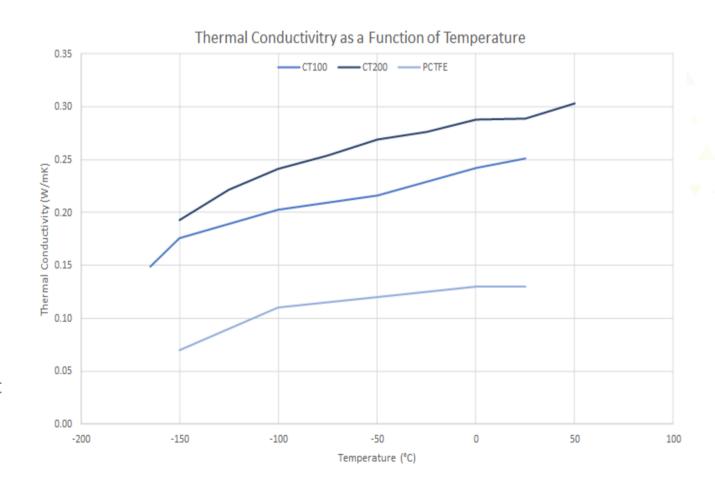
- Tensile Elongation is an indication of the ductility of a thermoplastic polymer.
- A higher Tensile Elongation is another demonstration of robustness in sealing performance.
- Both VICTREX CT<sup>™</sup>100 and VICTREX CT<sup>™</sup> 200 show significantly higher elongation than PCTFE.





#### HIGHER THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY

- The thermal conductivity of a thermoplastic polymer demonstrates how effectively it conducts heat
- The higher thermal conductivity of VICTREX CT™ 100 and VICTREX CT™ 200 allows them to equilibrate faster with their metallic counterparts than PCTFE.
- Thus VICTREX CT<sup>™</sup> 100 and VICTREX CT<sup>™</sup> 200 are more likely to exhibit consistent sealing throughout temperature changes.

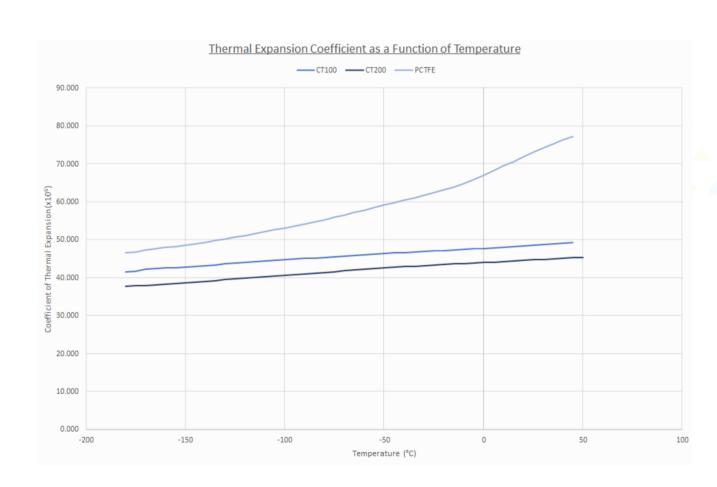


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#### **COEFFICIENT OF THERMAL EXPANSION**

- Coefficient of thermal expansion describes how the size and shape of a material changes as a function of temperature.
- VICTREX CT™ 100 and VICTREX CT™ 200 show a clear benefit over PCTFE and are dimensionally more stable with consistency observed over a wide range of temperature.
- VICTREX CT<sup>™</sup> 200 shows approximately a further 10% improvement over VICTREX CT<sup>™</sup> 100.
- VICTREX CT<sup>™</sup> 100 ultimate in compressive sealing performance at lower temperatures.
- VICTREX CT™ 200 provides a balance of sealing performance and reduction in friction and torque.

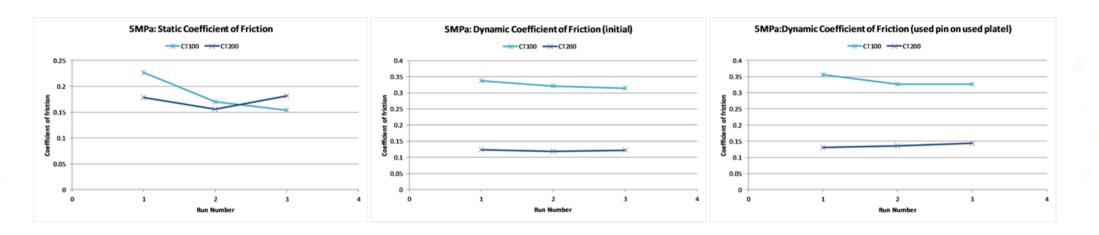


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#### **COEFFICIENT OF FRICTION**

**Static & Dynamic** 

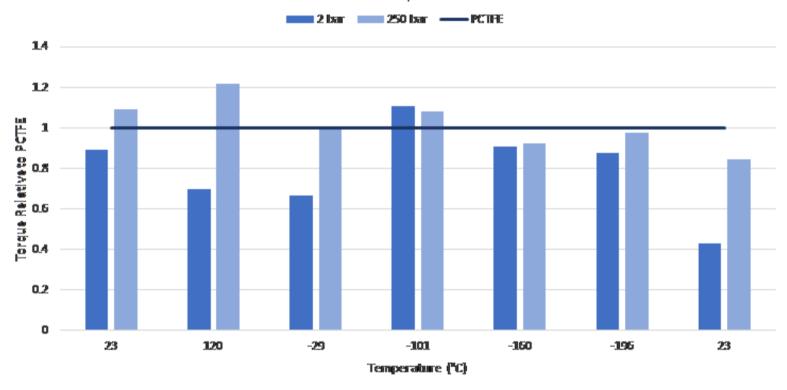


- ▶ The <u>static coefficient</u> is a measure of the force required to get the object moving after it has been stationary on a surface for a period of time. The <u>dynamic coefficient</u> of friction is a measure of the force required to keep the object moving.
- ► PCTFE Coefficient of Friction = 0.35 (Testing method: on steel)
- VICTREX CT™ 100 and VICTREX CT™ 200 provides low and stable static and dynamic coefficients of friction which allows lower opening force and turning force for ball valves.
- ▶ VICTREX CT™ 200 is suggested over VICTREX CT™ 100 when ball valves are made of soft steel and lower friction is required.



#### **BETTER PERFORMANCE IN TORQUE**

VICTREX CT™ 200 Torque Relative to PCTFE



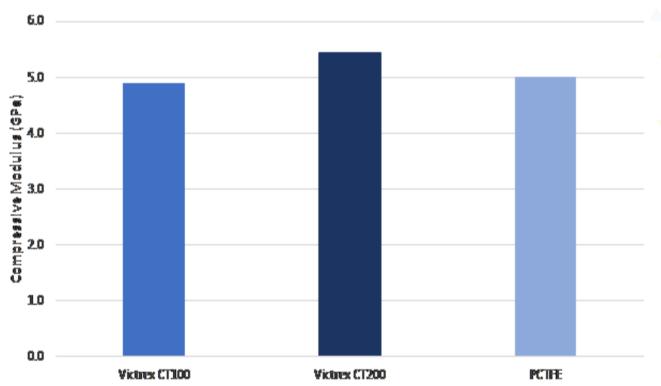
Over a range of temperature from -196°C to +120°C we see an equivalent or better performance in torque requirement relative to PCTFE



#### **COMPRESSIVE MODULUS**

- Modulus indicates how much a material will deform under an applied load.
- Compressive modulus indicates the typical sealing performance of a thermoplastic material where a lower modulus allows a greater deformation and therefore sealing capacity.
- VICTREX CT™ 100 has equivalent Compressive Modulus to PCTFE
- VICTREX CT<sup>™</sup> 200 has a slightly higher compressive modulus
- Sealing performance is however a balance of a number of properties, such as strength and tribology in addition to modulus. Performance is also highly application specific.

#### Compressive Modulus at -196\*C



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