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# LABORATORY REPORT

Advanced

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## Purpose:

Expose two (2) types of film to UV exposure per ASTM D-5208 fluorescent ultraviolet (UV) exposure of photodegradable plastics. Tensile tests per ASTM D3826 will be performed to determine when the sample(s) reach 5% or less elongation.

Sample Identification Supplier:

A: Polyethylene film (Control) Willow Ridge Plastics, Inc.

B: Polyethylene film modified with 3% loading of WRP additive (PDQ-M)

### **Results & Observations:**

Testing confirms that the sample containing the WRP additive degraded to the point of 5% elongation at a faster rate than the Control sample that DID NOT contain the WRP additive.

The modified film reached 5% or less elongation after nine (9) days compared to the fifteen (15) days for the non-additive Control film.

The two (2) film types were different in both appearance & physical characteristics when reaching the respective 5% elongation values. The Control film maintained strength until it was bent, folded or pulled. The modified film became so delicate that it would fragment with the slightest touch.

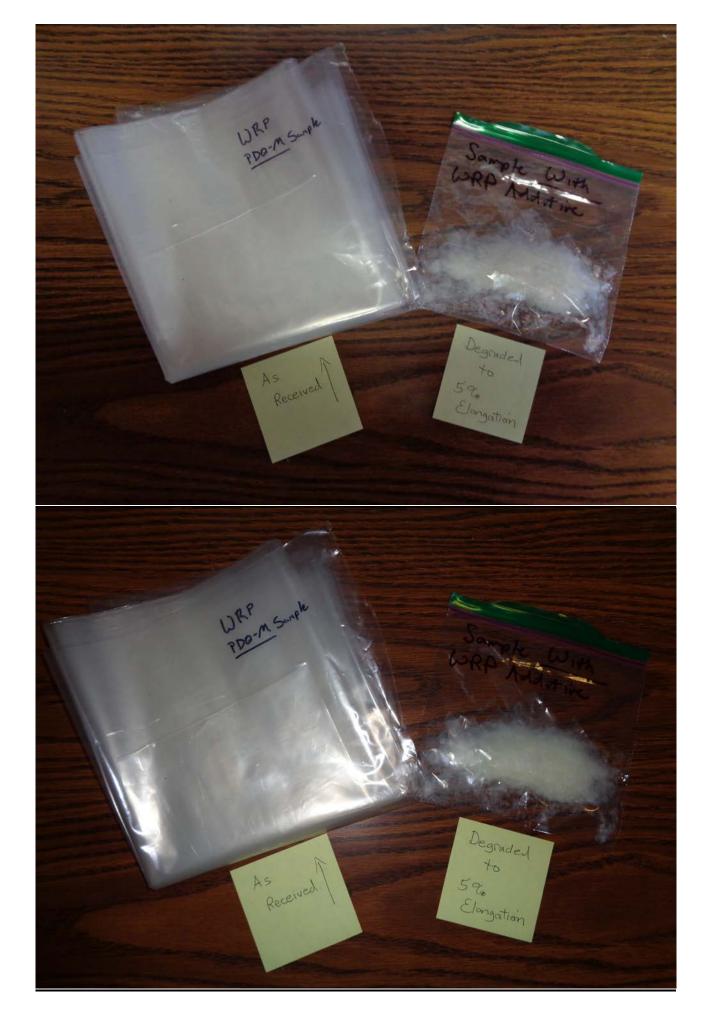
#### **Conditions:**

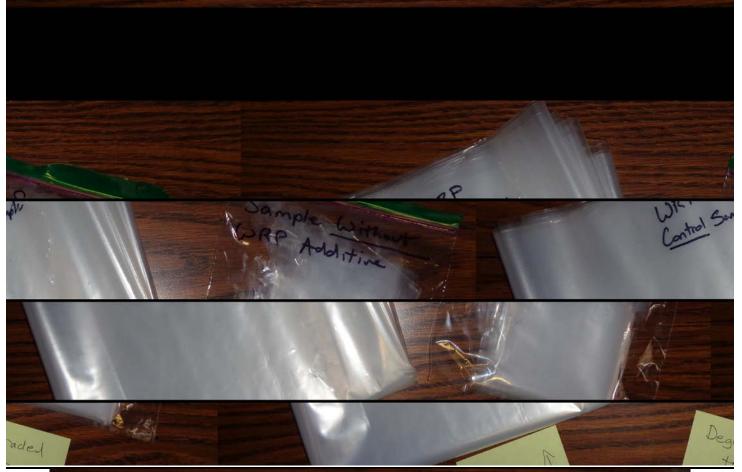
Exposure took place in a programmable QLab Corp. Chamber Model QUV/SE S/N: 08-15330-77-SE.

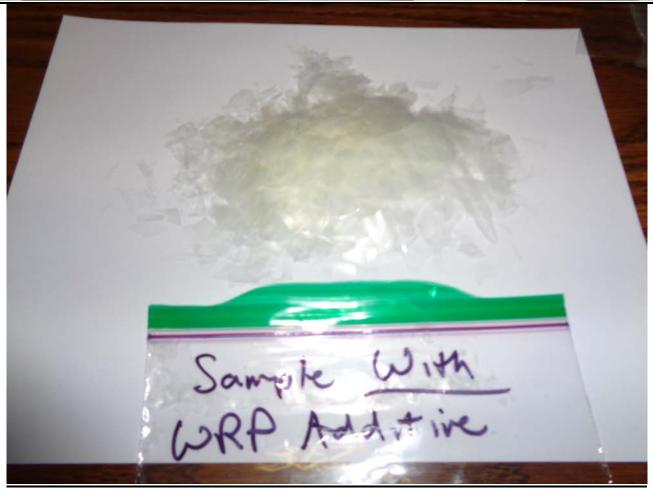
The tensile values of the film materials were determined by a Lloyd / Ametek universal tensile/compression unit (calibration date 5/7/18).

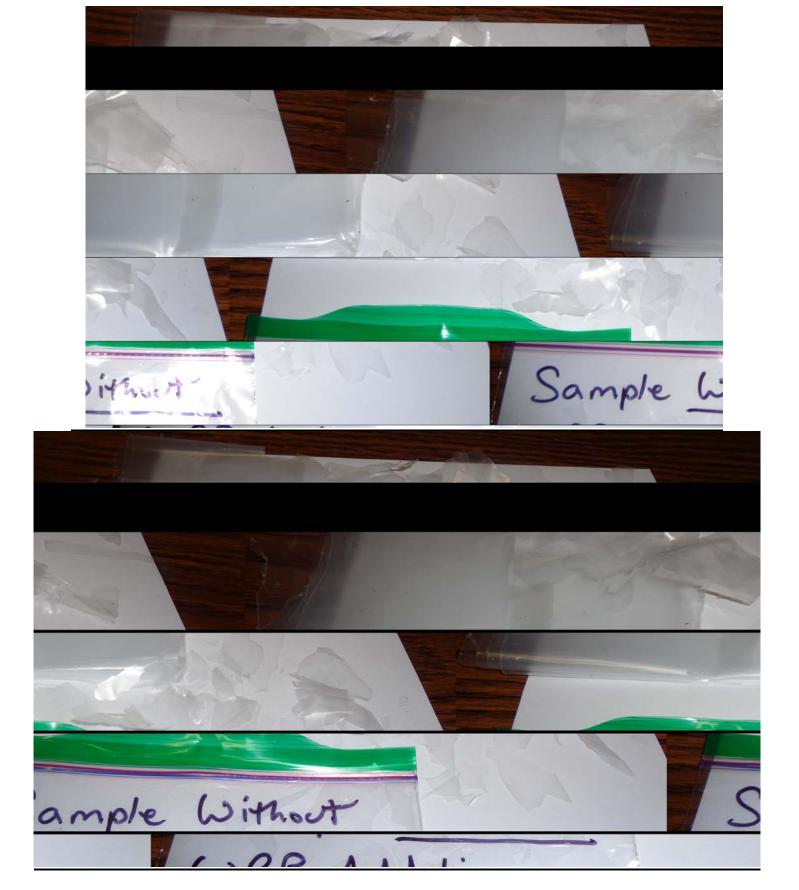
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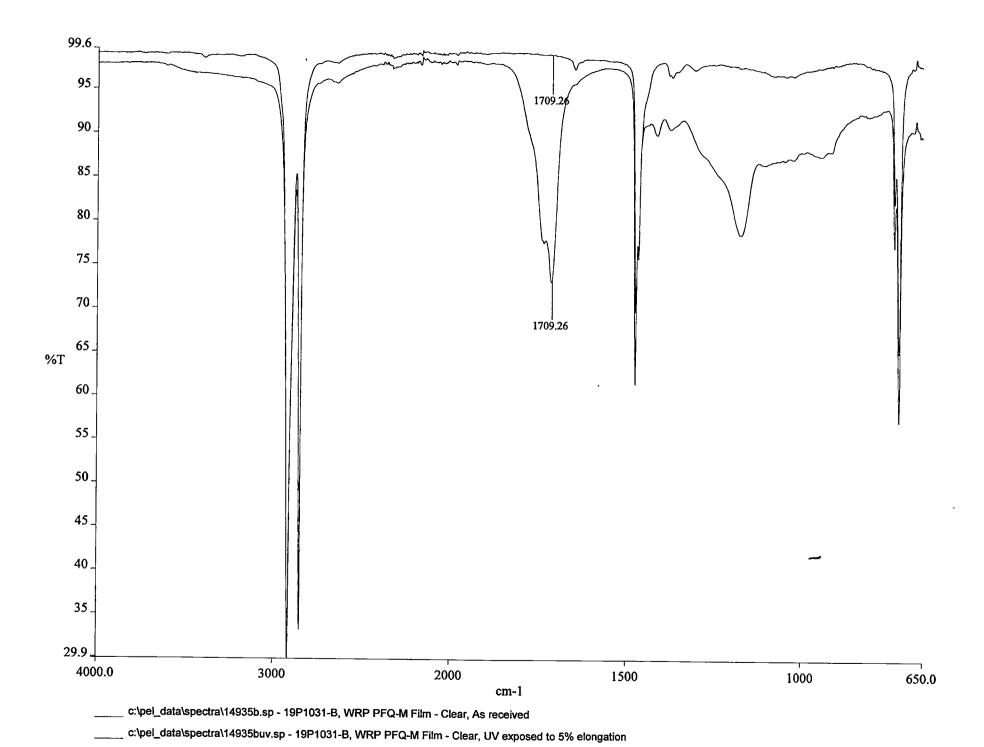
James Cameron Laboratory Manager Attached: Digital pictures

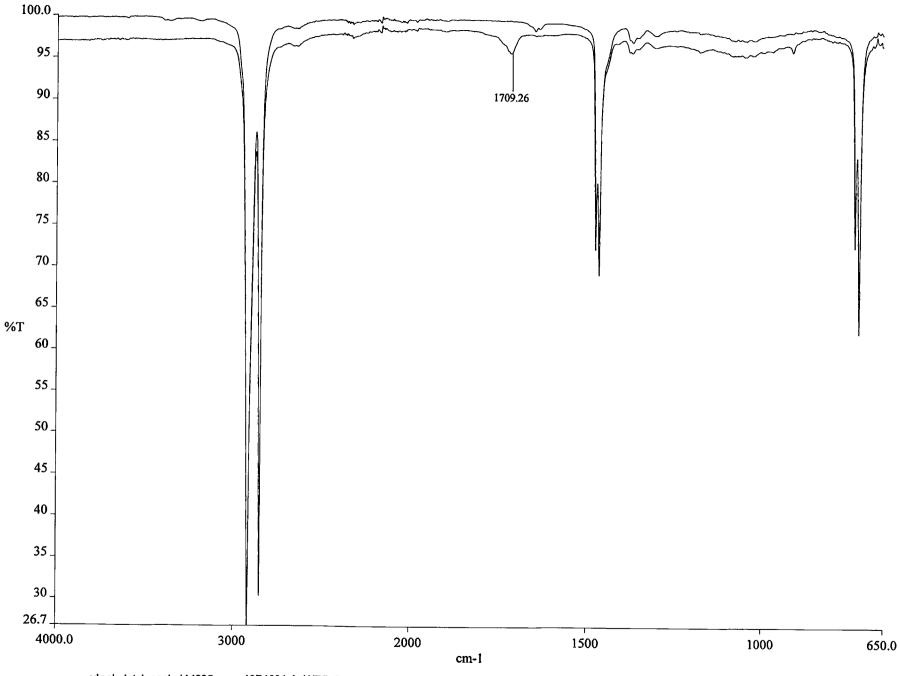












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Table I: Tensile results per ASTM D3826 Control film

	Exposure	Yield		Break	
	(hours)	Load (psi)	Ext. (%)	Load (psi)	Ext. (%)
Control	168	1974.4	14.99	2091.8	46.00
	192	1761.4	12.54	1824.1	41.92
	216	1512.4	11.23	1745.8	39.51

Table II: Tensile results per ASTM D3826 WRP PDQ-M film with additive

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	Exposure	Yield		Break		
	(hours)	Load (psi)	Ext. (%)	Load (psi)	Ext. (%)	
Sample	168	6.861	6.51	1224.32	8.41	
	192	N/A	N/A	724.27	5.87	
	216	N/A	N/A	N/A	<5	