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Advanced Supercritical Fluid Process

(超臨界流体プロセス特論)

2. Particle formation using SCF (I)

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➤ Supercritical water (high temperature and pressure water)

➤ Ultraheavy oil*

- ✓ Canada: Oilsand
333 Billion Barrel
- ✓ Venezuela: Orinoco Tar
289 Billion Barrel
- ✓ Current Oil: 1000 Billion Barrel



Oilsand
(Canada)

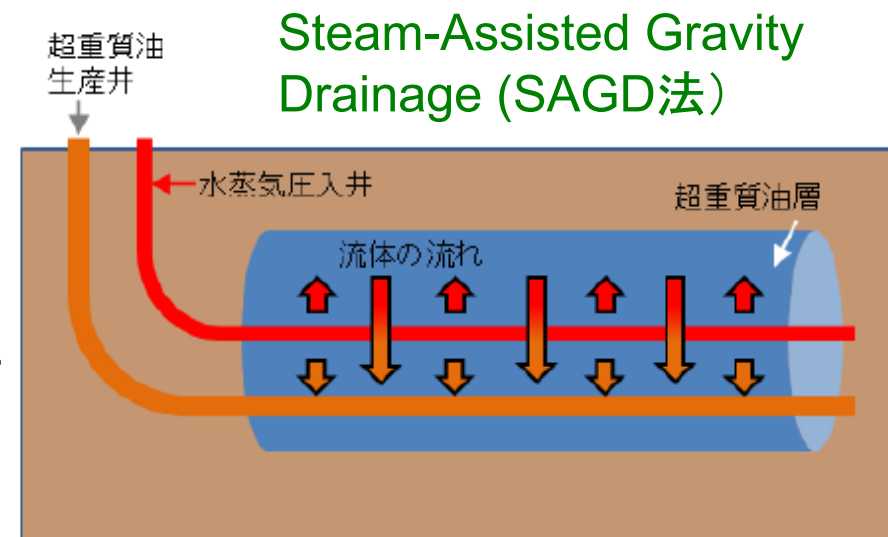


Orinoco Tar
(Venezuela)

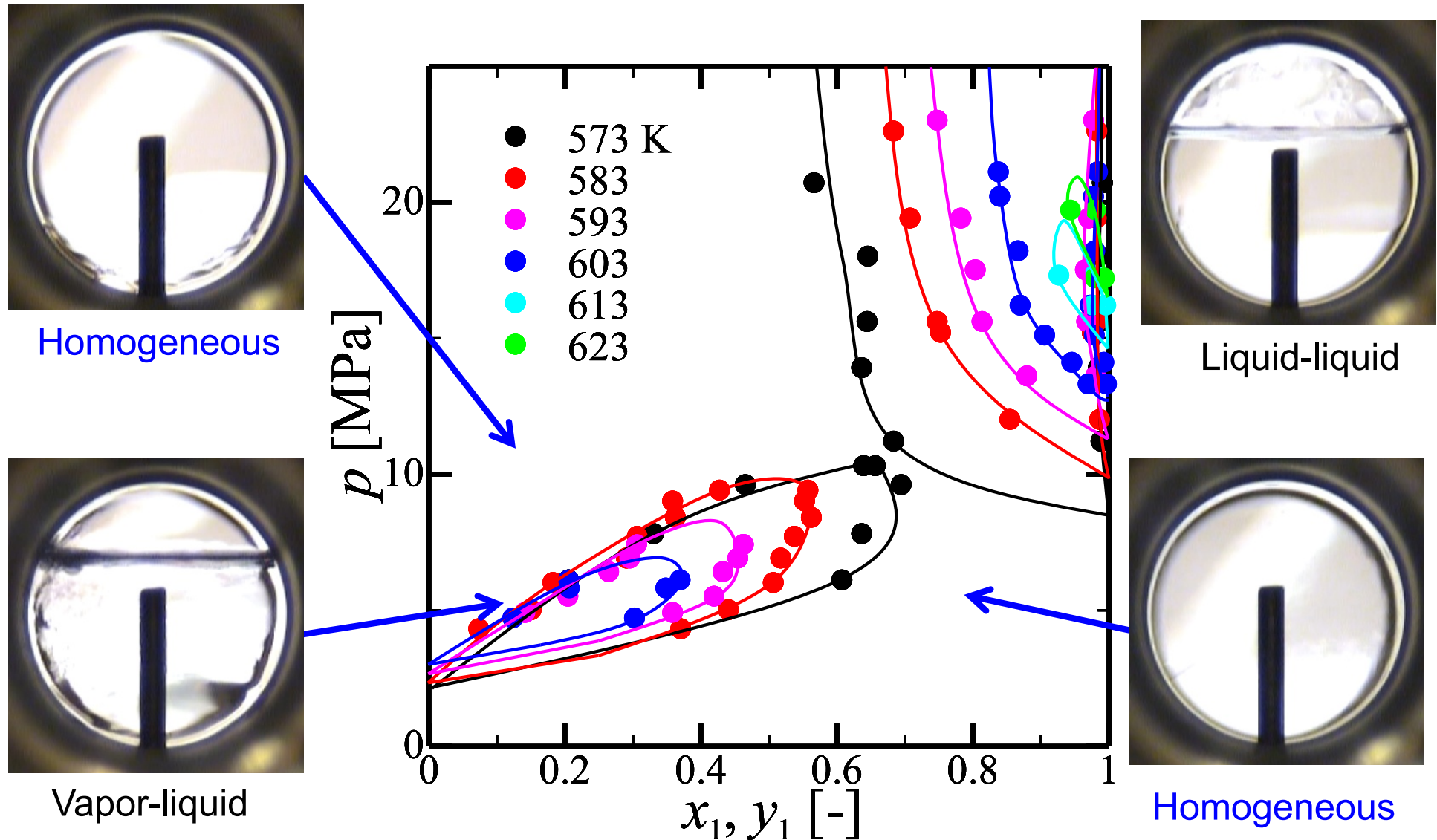
➤ Upgrading of Ultraheavy oil*

SAGD : Using high-temperature and pressure water

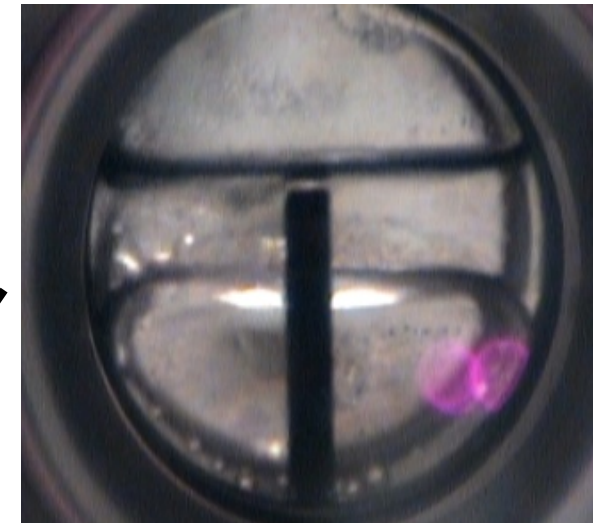
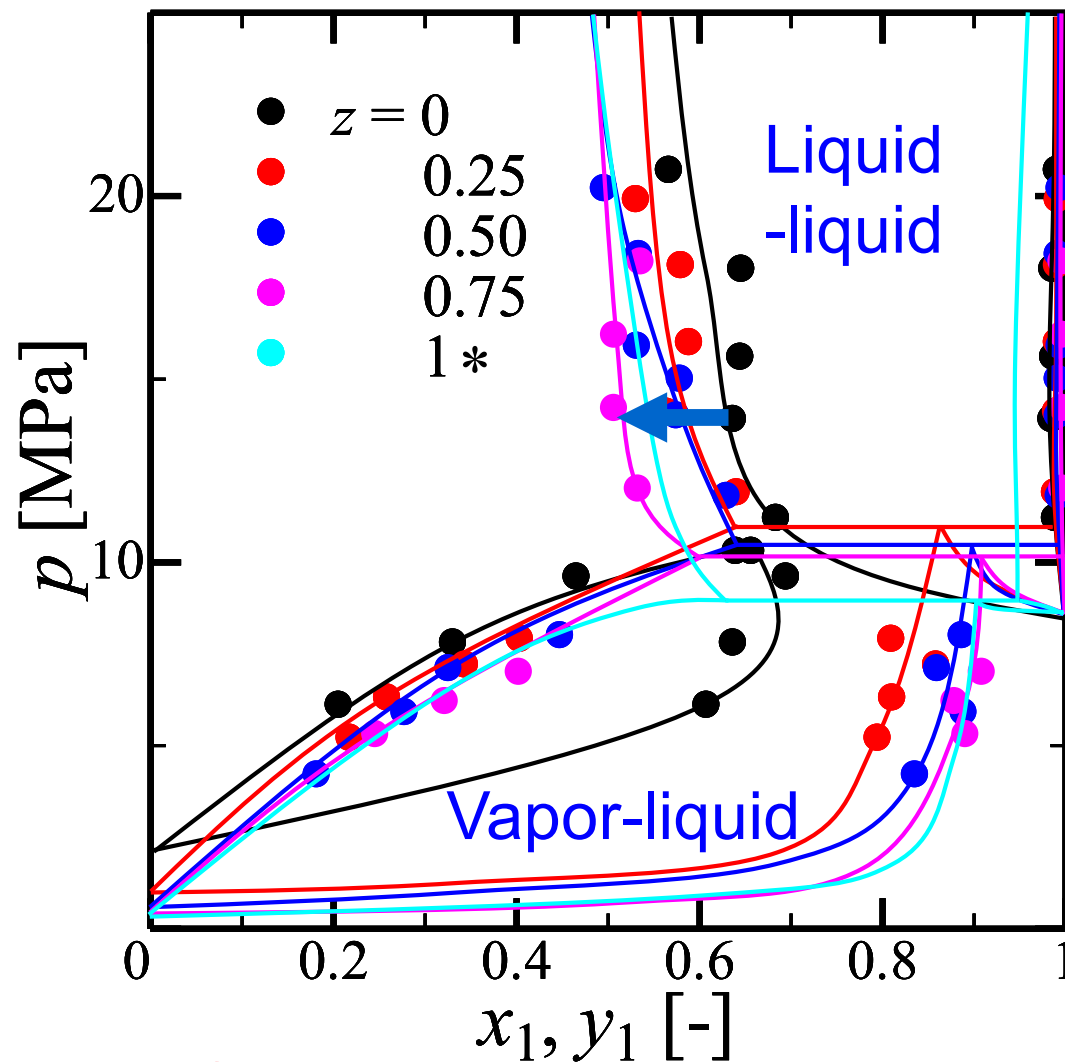
Upgrading : reduction of viscosity, light oil production, desulfurization



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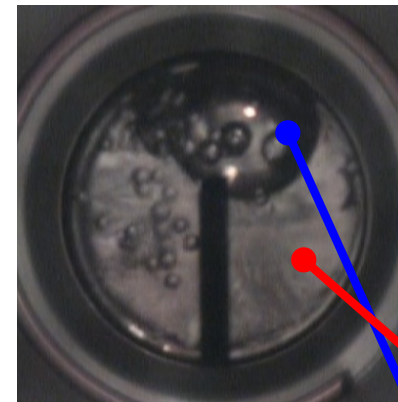
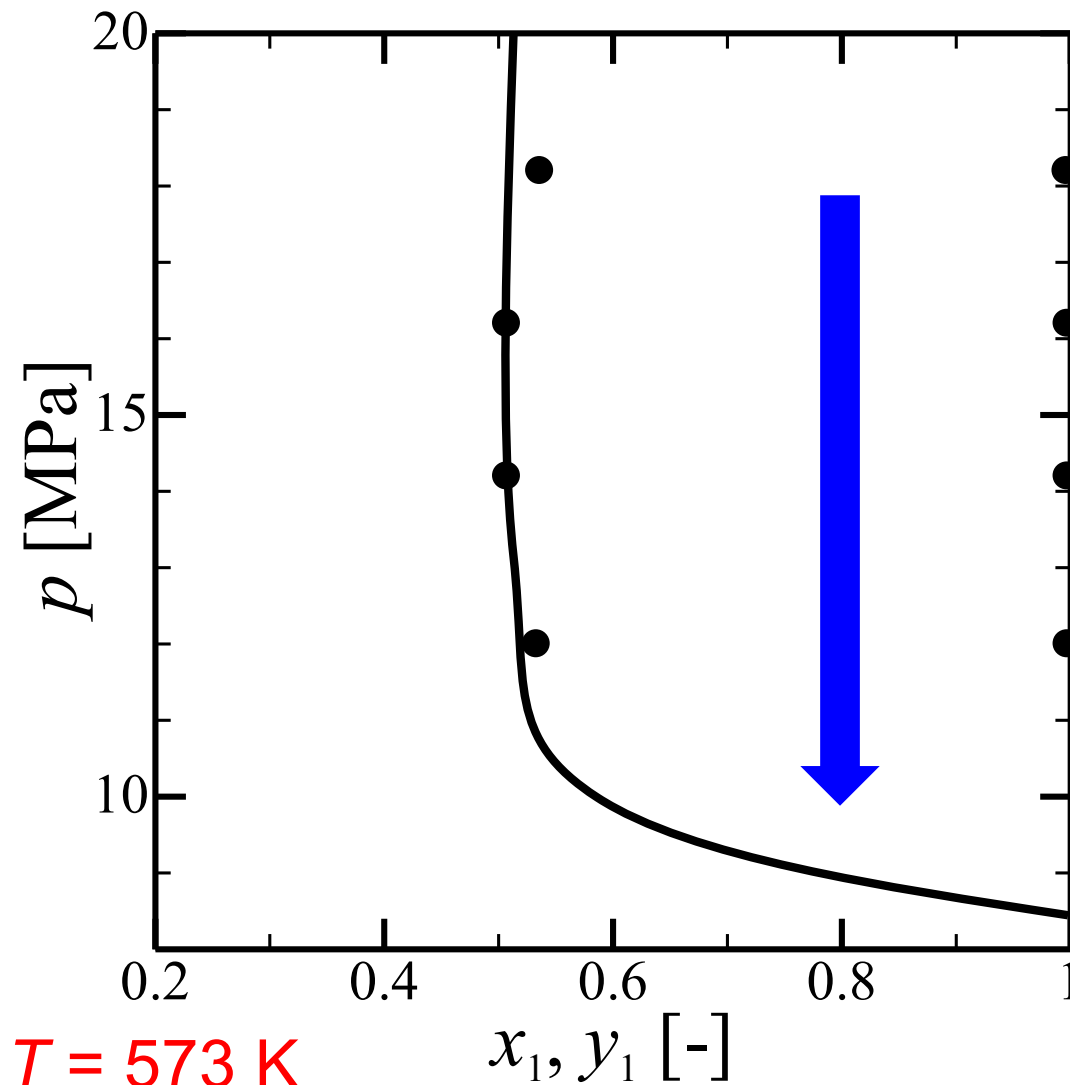


Vapor-liquid-liquid (VLE)

$T = 573$ K

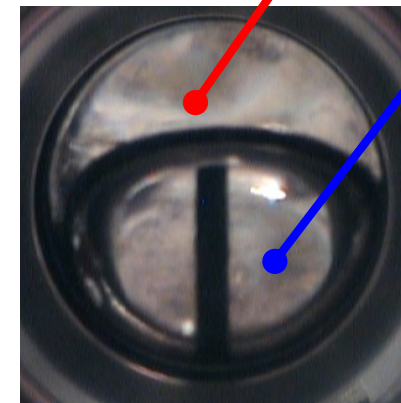
➤ Supercritical water (high temperature and pressure water)

Phase transition on liquid-liquid equilibria



22 MPa

Hydrocarbon rich



12 MPa

Water rich

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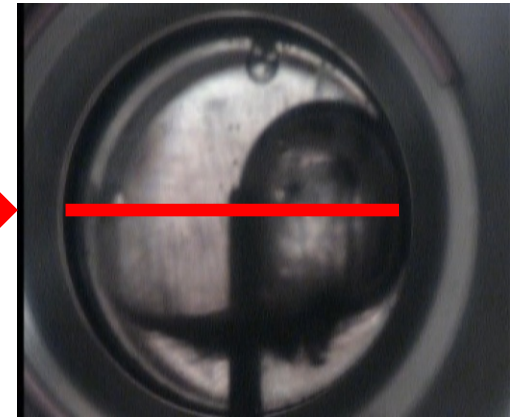
Mole ratio heavy oil / light oil = 0.75



25.0MPa

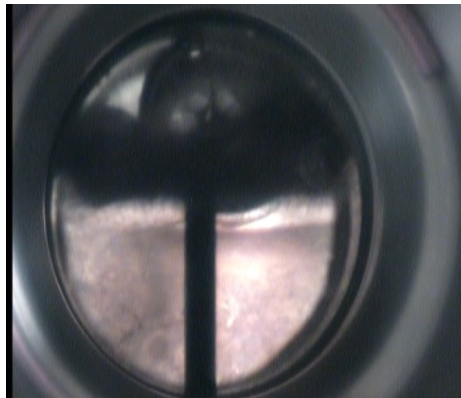


24.5MPa



24.4MPa

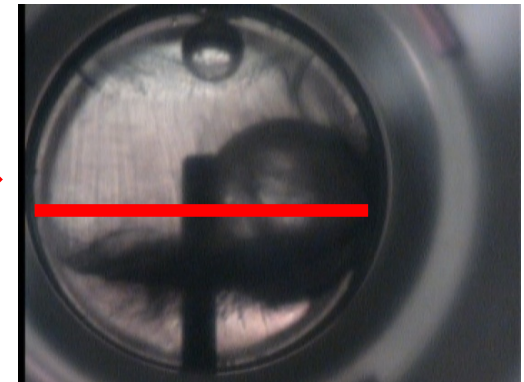
Mole ratio heavy oil / light oil = 0.80



20.5MPa

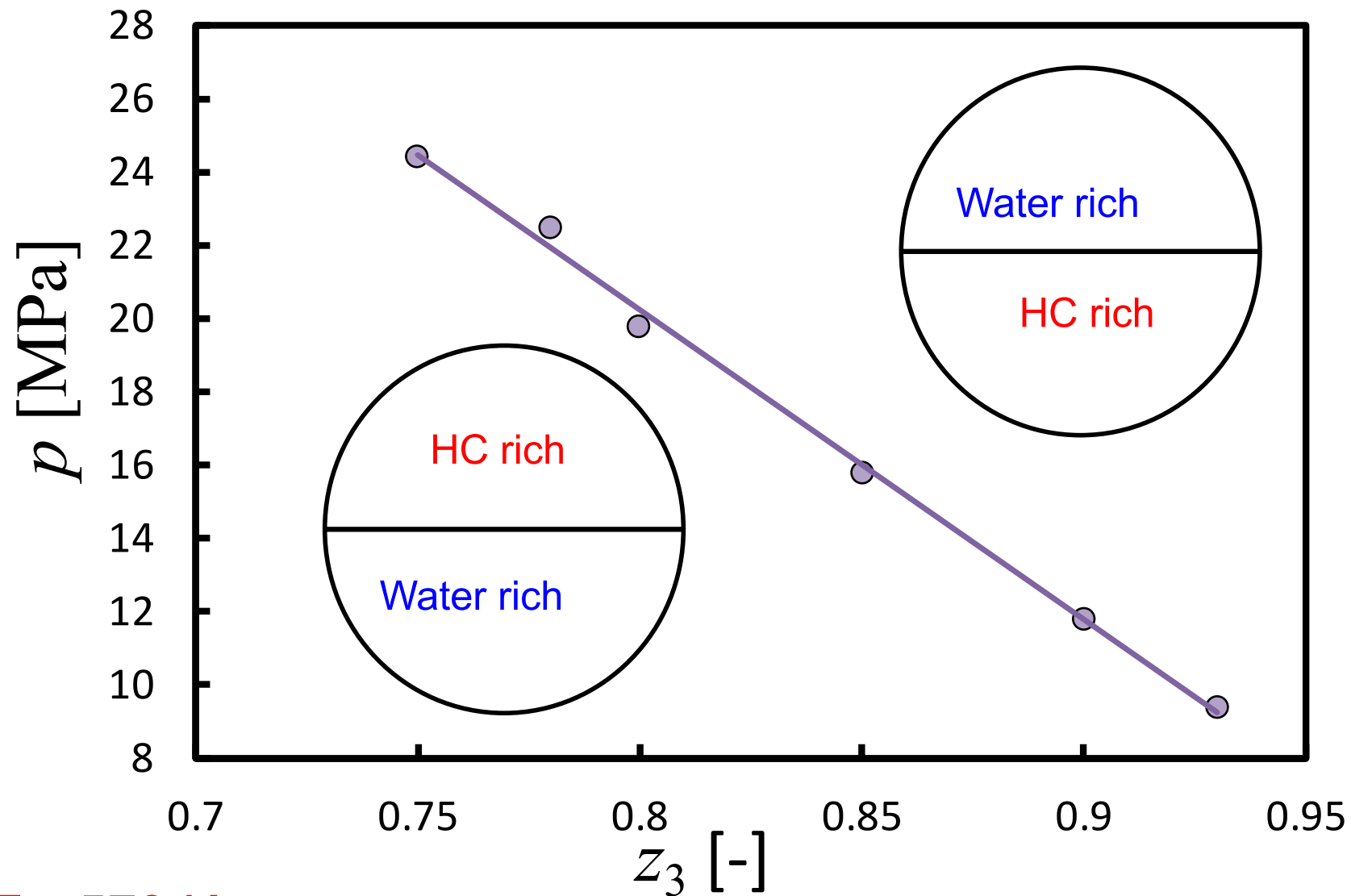


20.1MPa



19.9MPa

- Supercritical water (high temperature and pressure water)



$T = 573 \text{ K}$

Q. 1-4: Why is this phase transition on liquid-liquid two phase region formed?

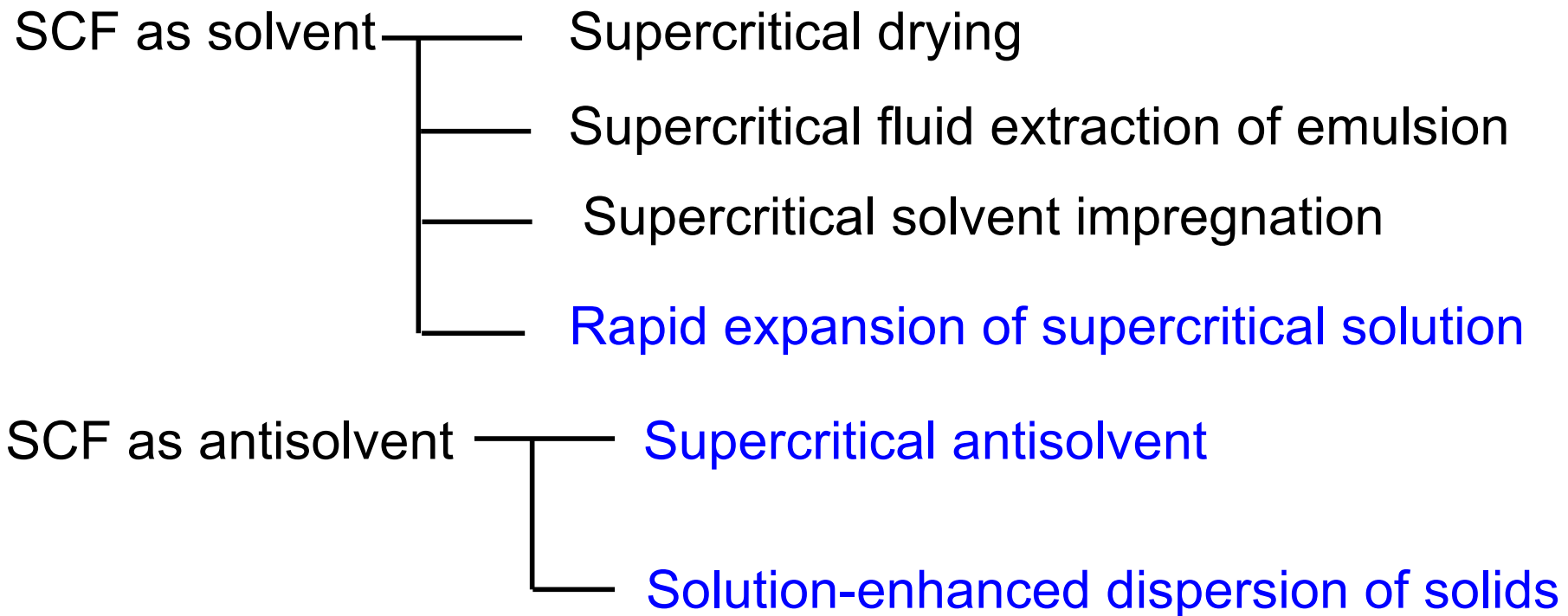


High pressure

Low pressure

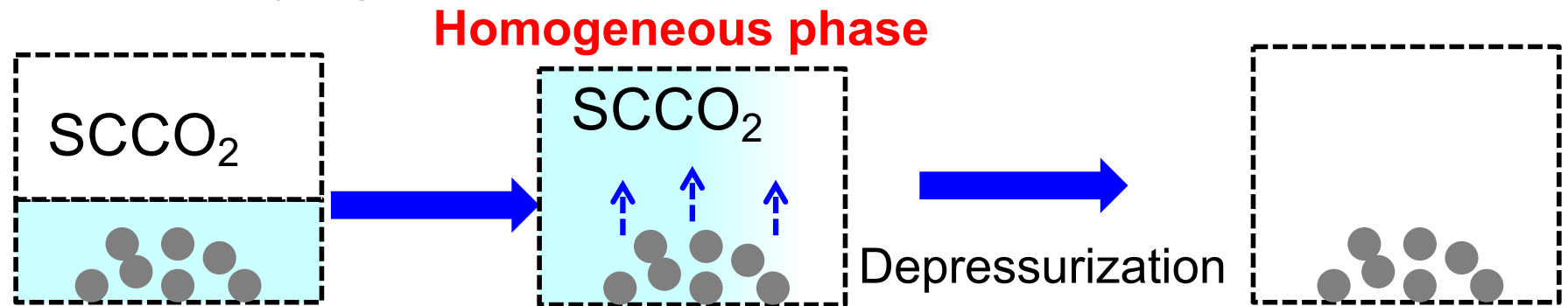
A. 1-4:

➤ Material process in physical method

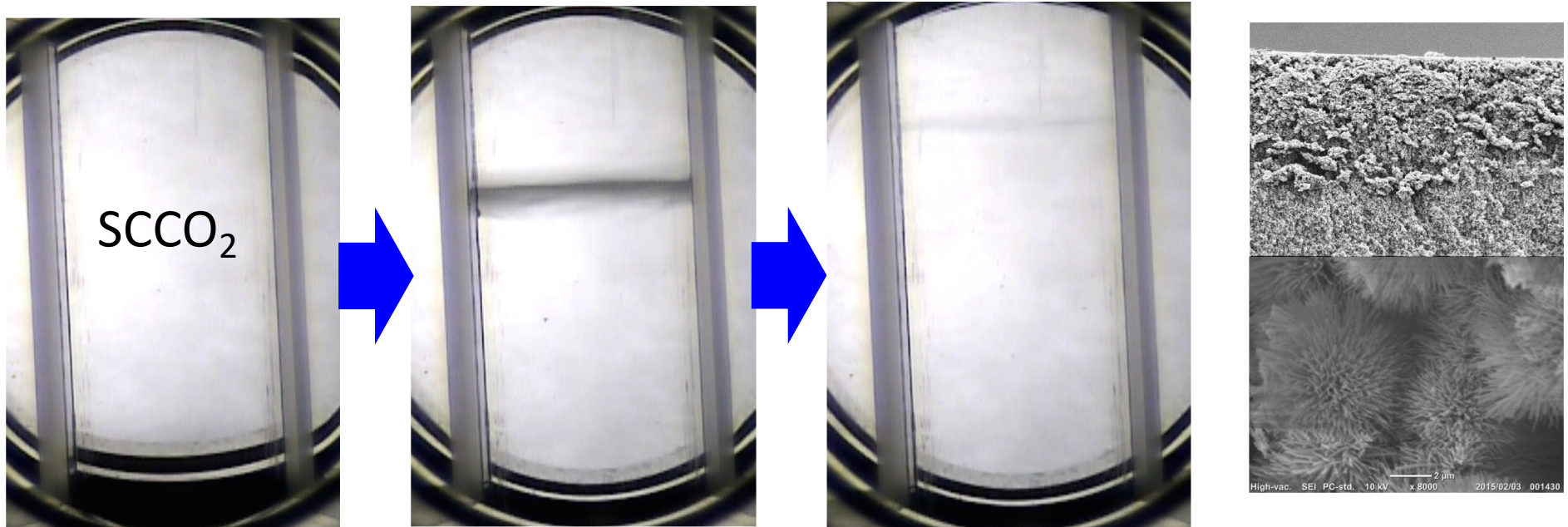


Material process using supercritical CO₂ as solvent 12

Supercritical drying

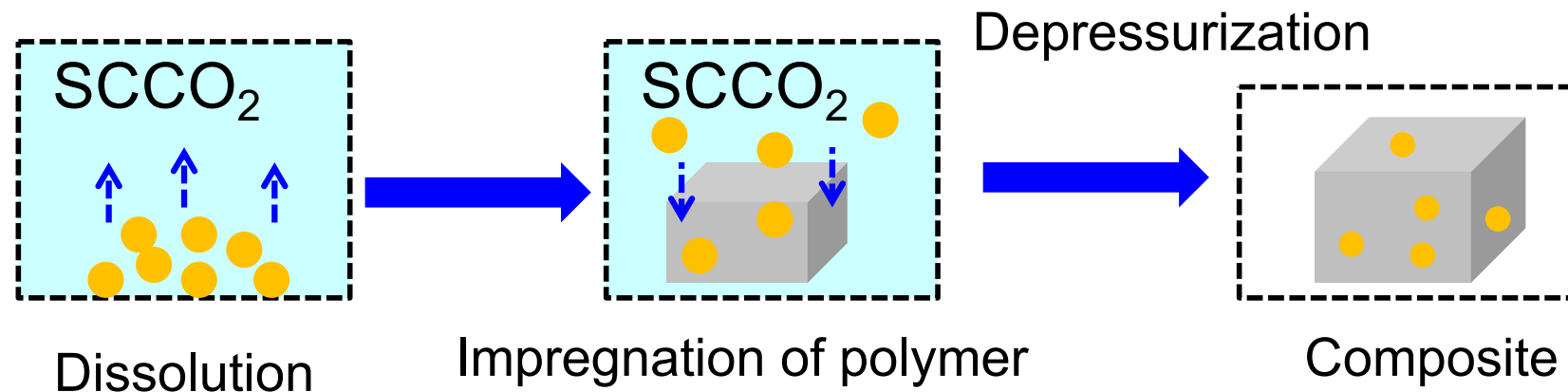


Porous material



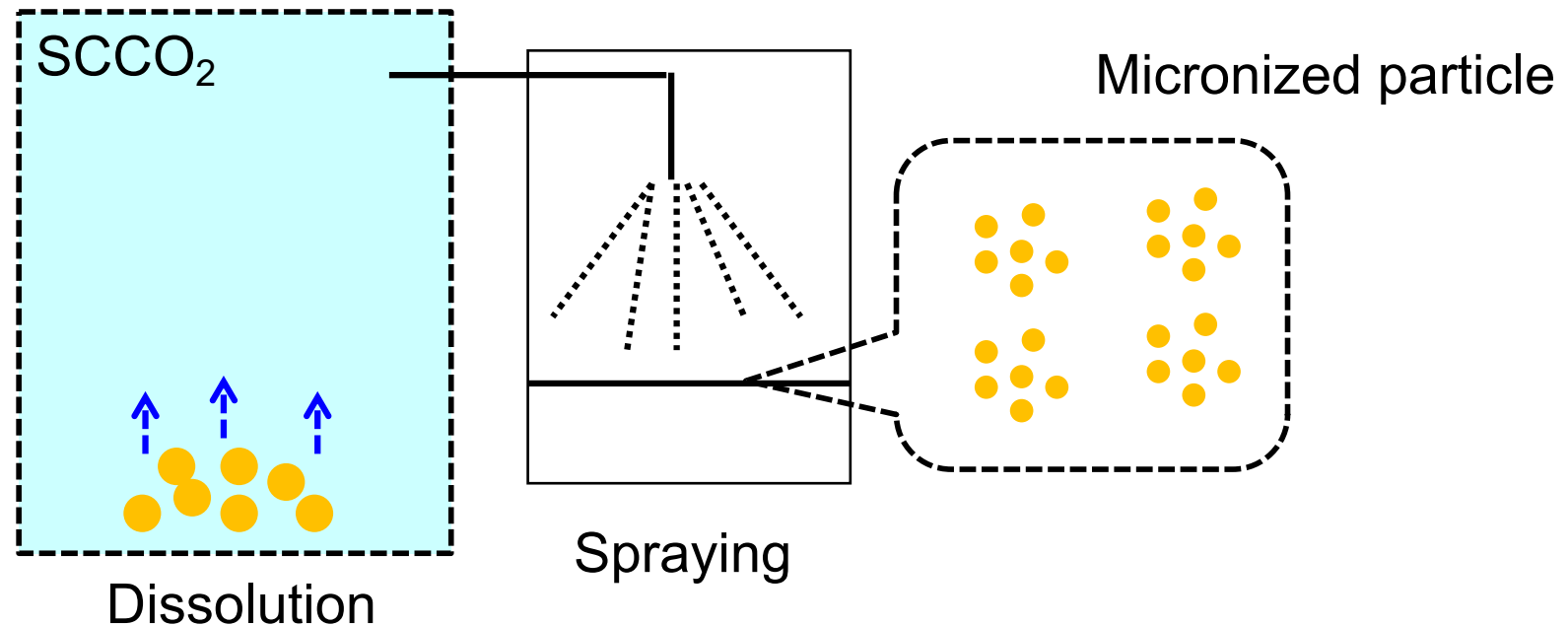
Ultra-low interface tension during removing solvent

Supercritical solvent impregnation



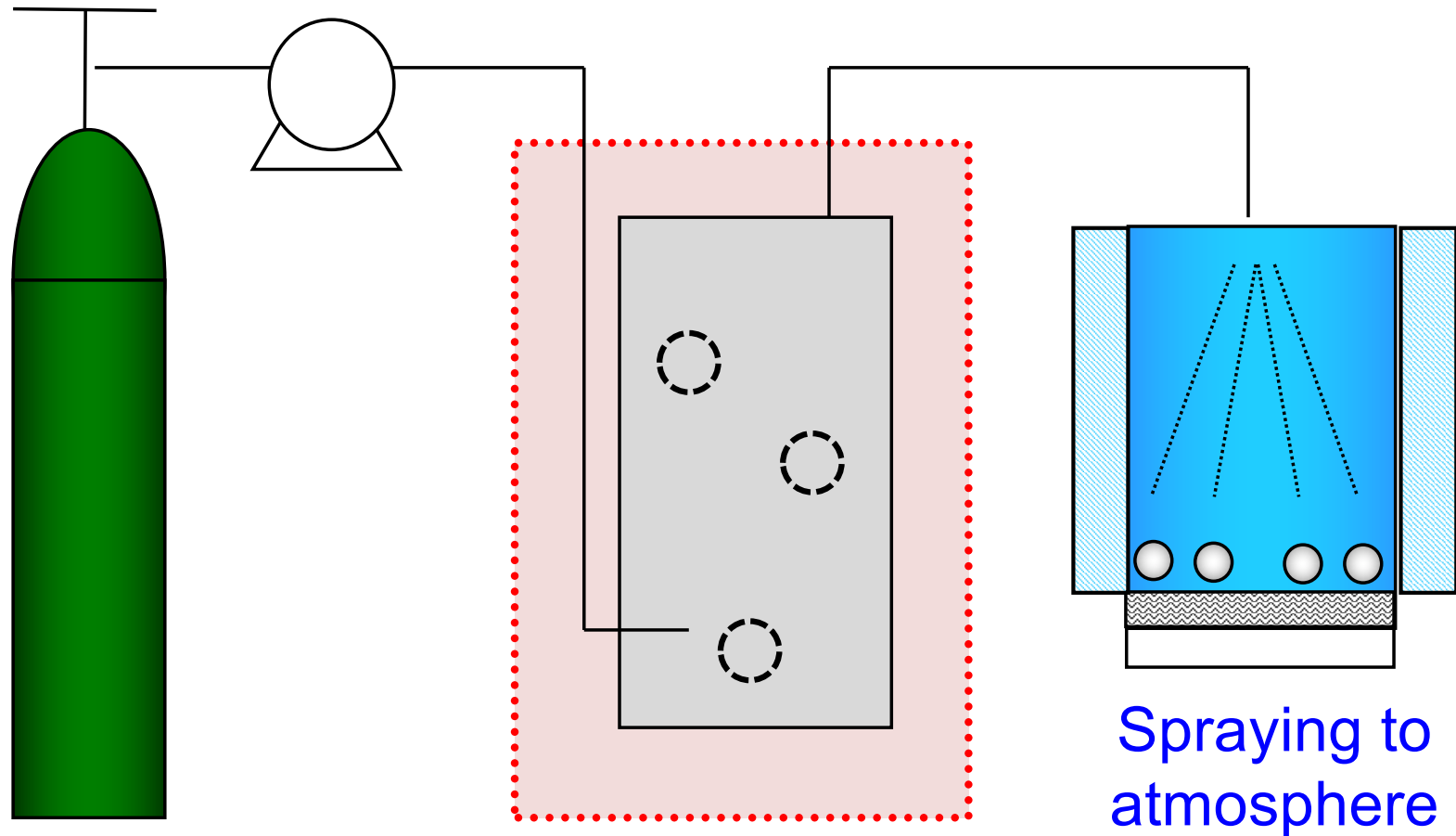
- ✓ To control loading amount of solute into polymer by solubility in supercritical CO₂
- ✓ This can be applied for fabrication of composite of catalyst / supporting material and drug delivery system

Rapid Expansion of Supercritical Solution



- ✓ To control particle size by solubility in supercritical CO₂
- ✓ This can be applied for micronization of pharmaceutical or bioactive compound particles.

Rapid Expansion of Supercritical Solution : RESS



Dissolution of solute into SCCO₂

Rapid Expansion of Supercritical Solution : RESS

How to control particle size in RESS process

Design of nucleation

Controlling supersaturation

Solubility in SCCO_2

Design of crystal growth

Temperature and velocity
distribution inside jet flow

How to set up spraying unit and
set the condition

Rapid Expansion of Supercritical Solution : RESS

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Controlling supersaturation

Solubility in SCCO₂

Critical radius of nuclei

$$r^* = \frac{2\sigma v_2}{kT \ln S}$$

σ ; surface free energy
 v_2 ; molar volume of solute
 k ; Boltzmann constant
 T ; temperature

Supersaturation

$$S = \frac{\phi(T, p, y_2) y_2(T, p)}{\phi(T, p, y^*) y^*(T, p)}$$

← SCCO₂
← 1 atm

Rapid Expansion of Supercritical Solution : RESS

How to control particle size in RESS process

SCCO₂ + solute

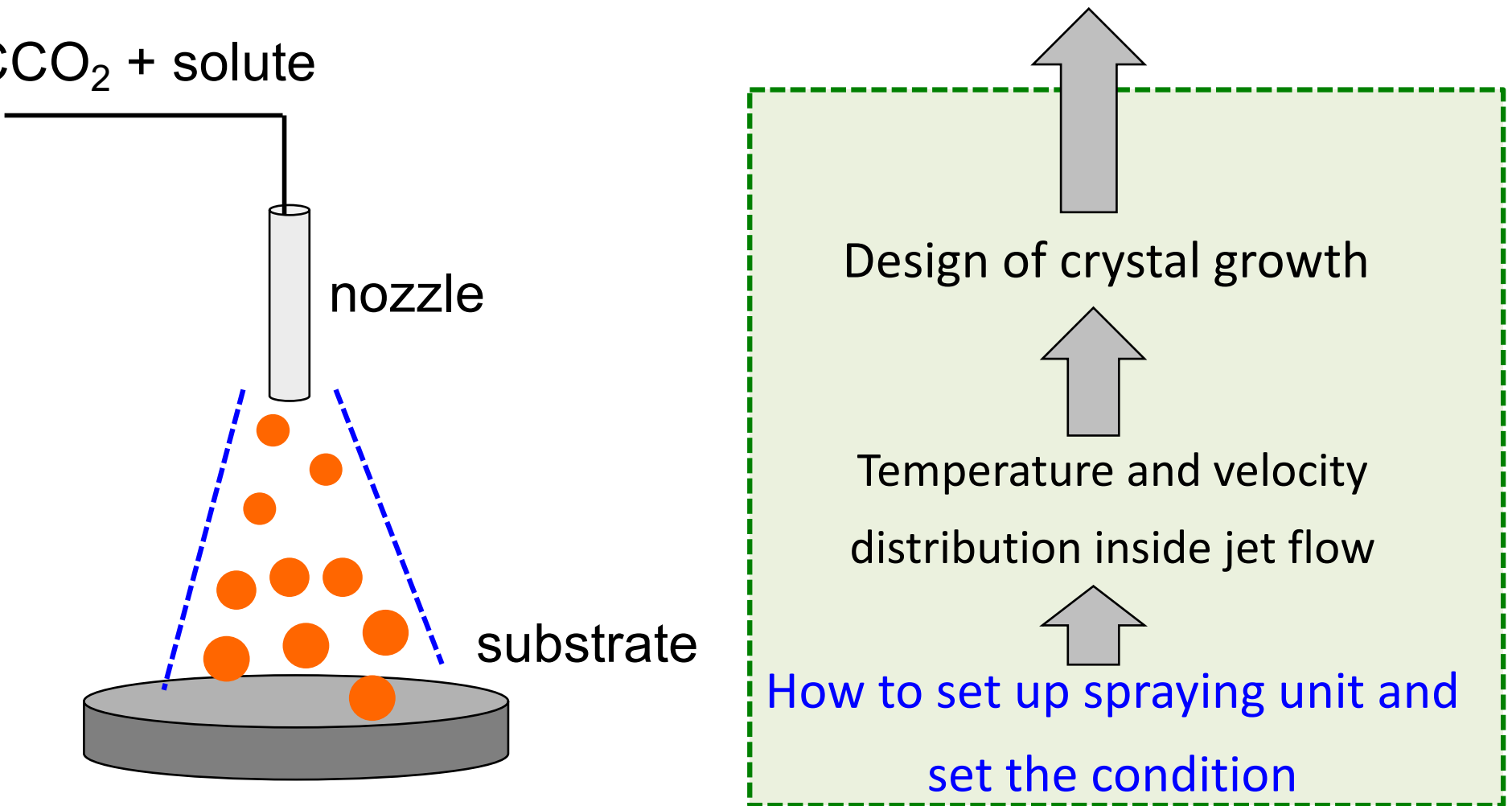
nozzle

substrate

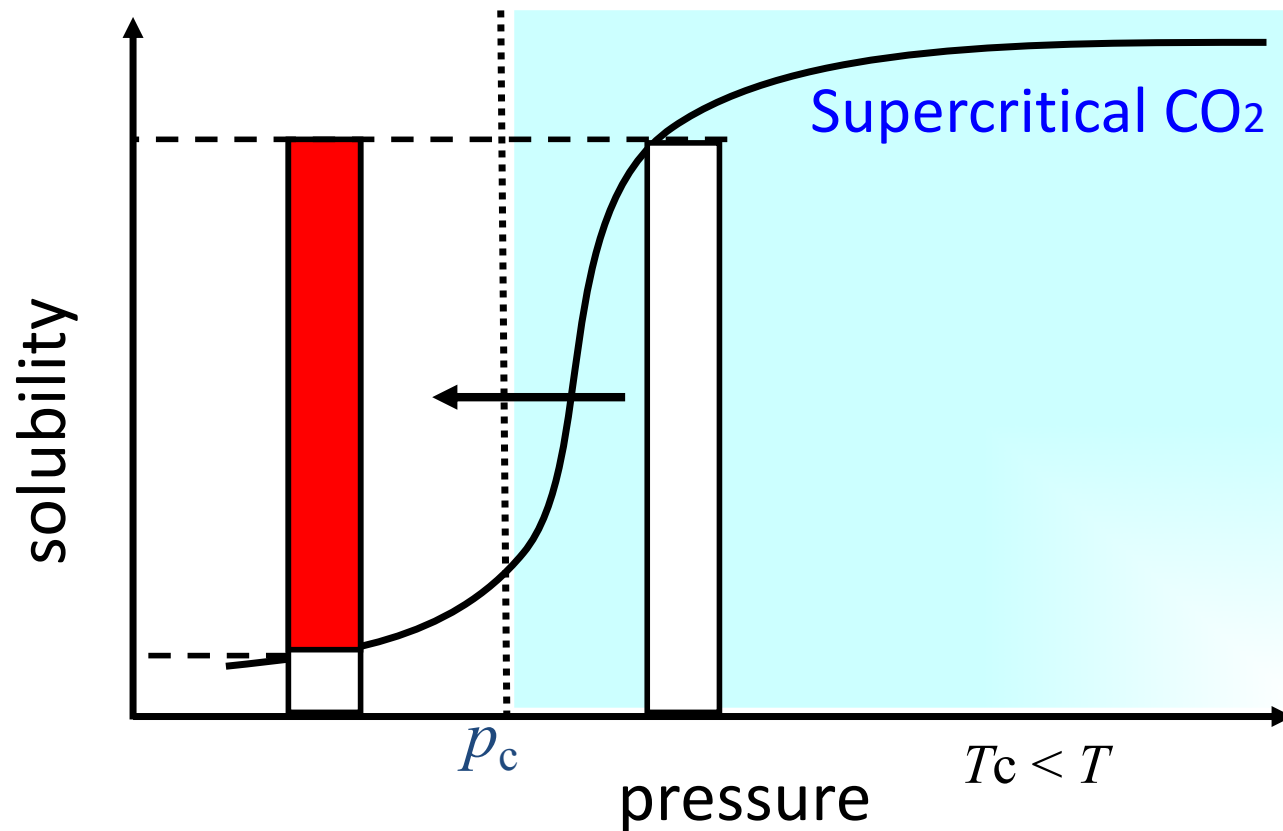
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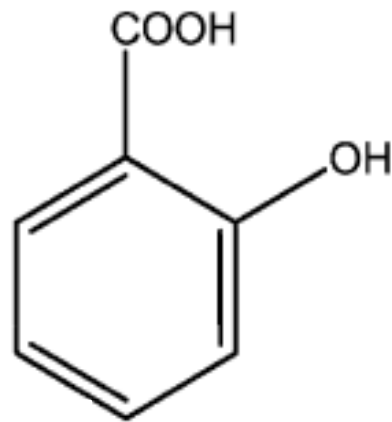


Solubility in supercritical CO₂

Rapid Expansion of Supercritical Solution : RESS

➤ Micronization of salicylic acid

Yildiz, N. et al., J. Supercrit. Fluids, 41 (2007) 440 – 451.



Salicylic acid
Anti-inflammatory
agents



Before
34 – 171 μm

<RESS condition>

Supercritical fluid: CO₂

Dissolution into SCCO₂ :

Temperature 45 – 60 °C

Pressure 15 – 25 MPa

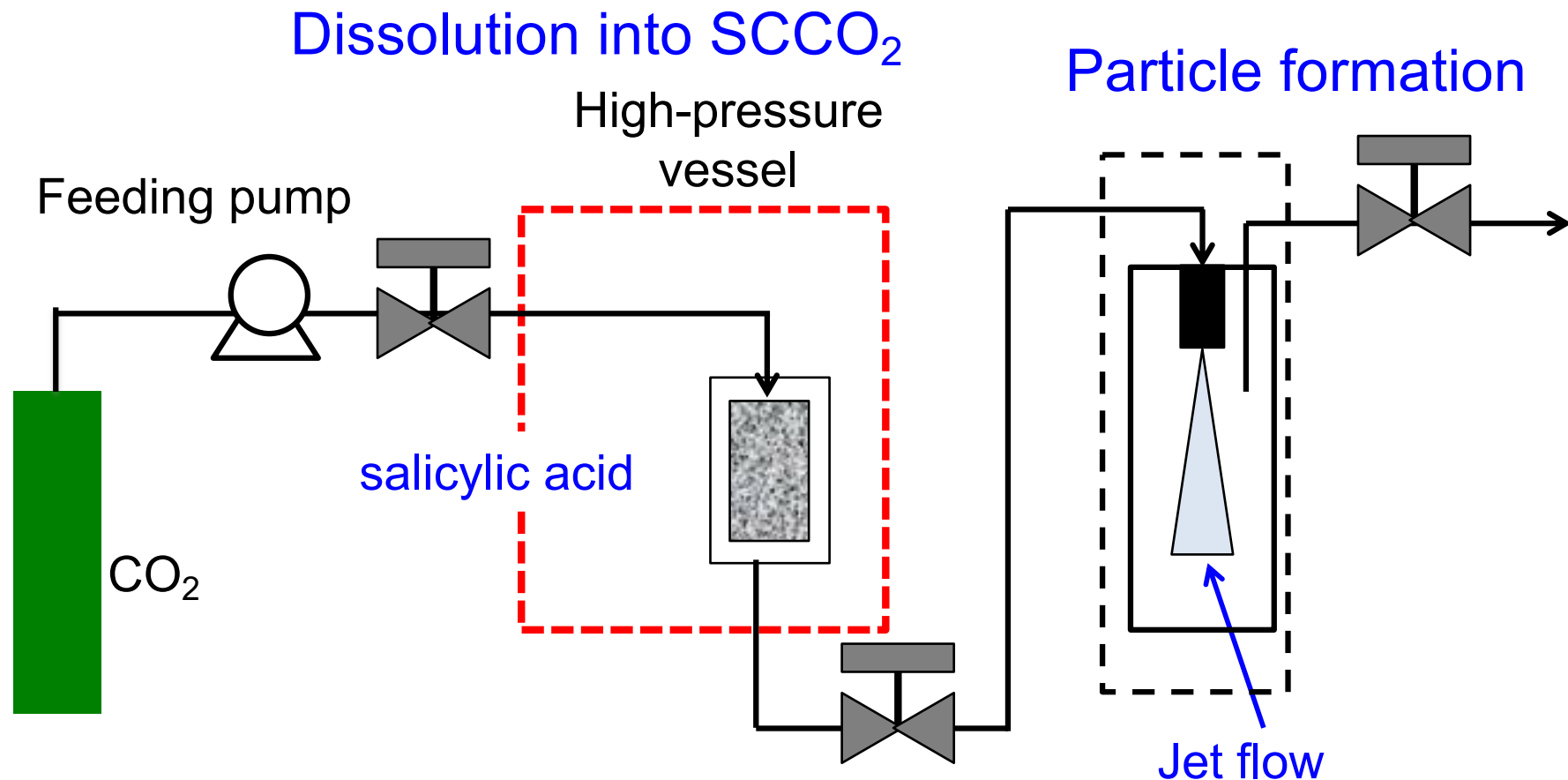
Spraying nozzle

Inside diameter : 50 μm

Length : 3 – 4 mm

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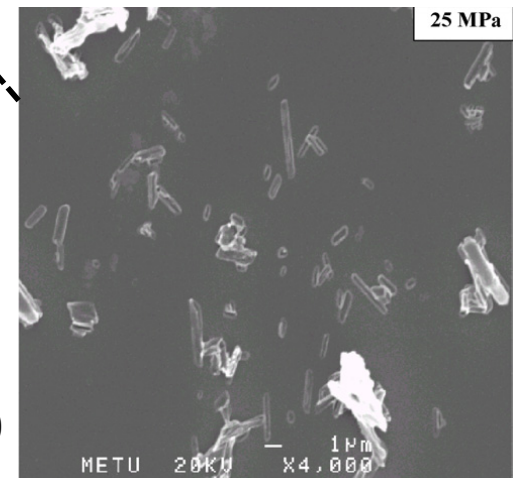
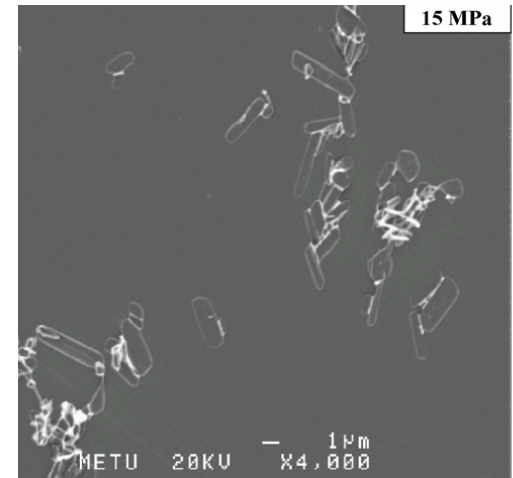
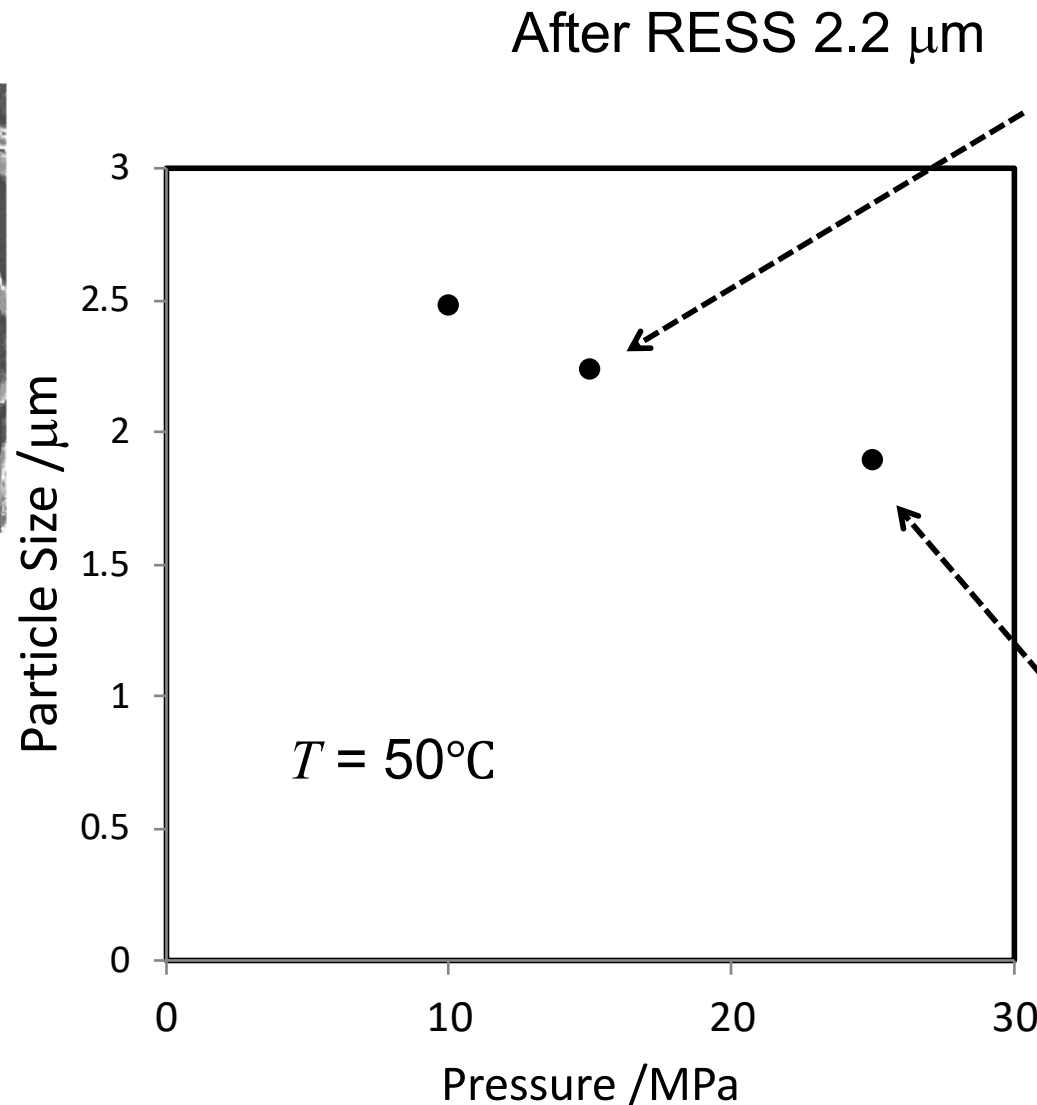
➤ Setup for RESS process using SCCO_2



➤ Micronization of salicylic acid



Before
34 – 171 μm



After RESS 1.9 μm

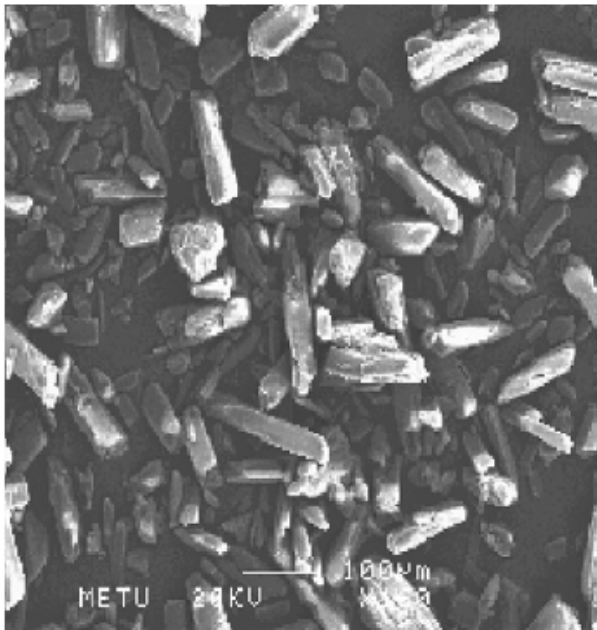
Q. 2-1

Give the reason why high pressure dissolution into SCCO_2 leads to the smaller particle formation.

A. 2-1

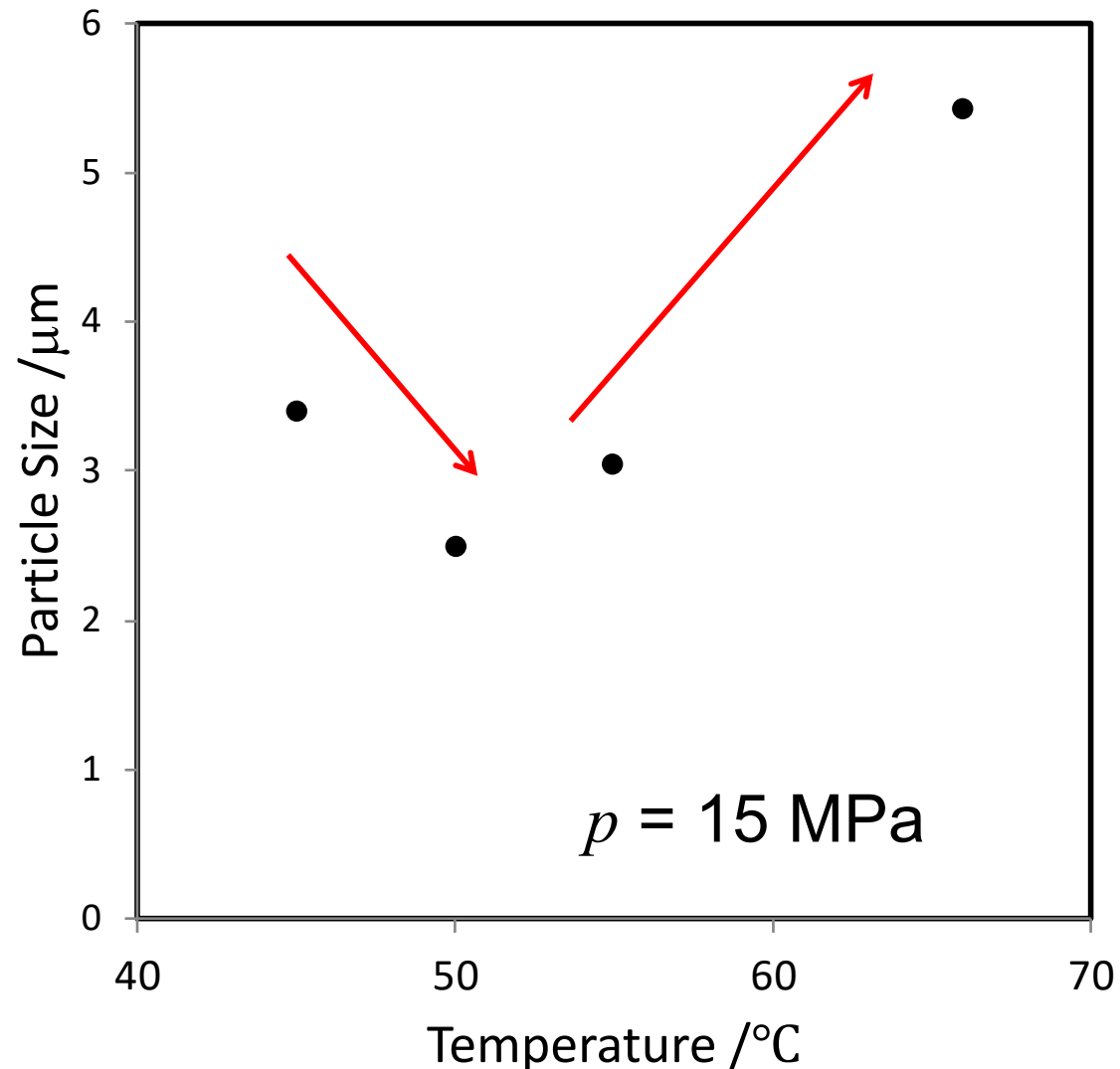
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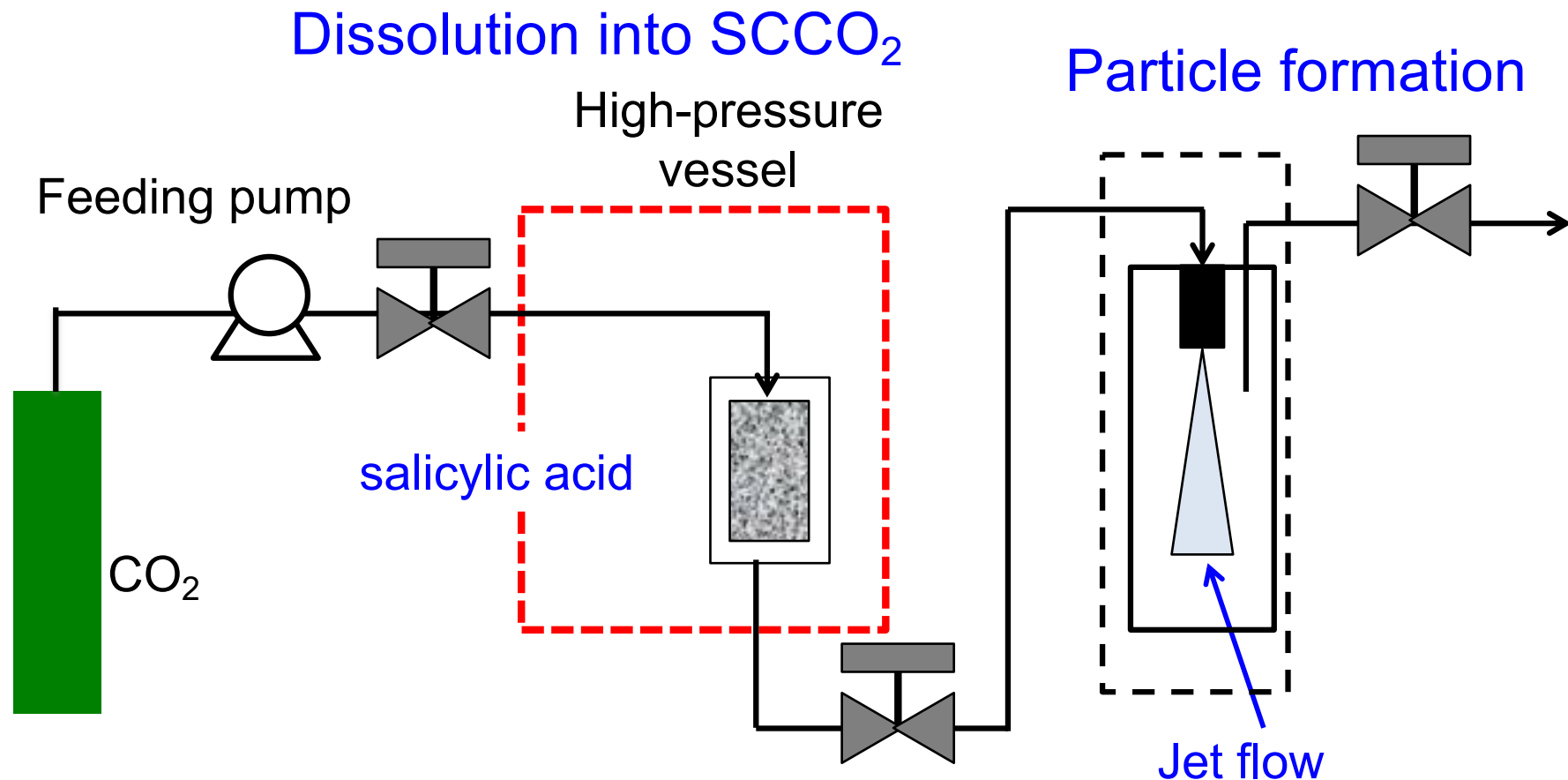
Q. 2-2

Give the reason why temperatures over 65°C results in the particle size increasing with temperature

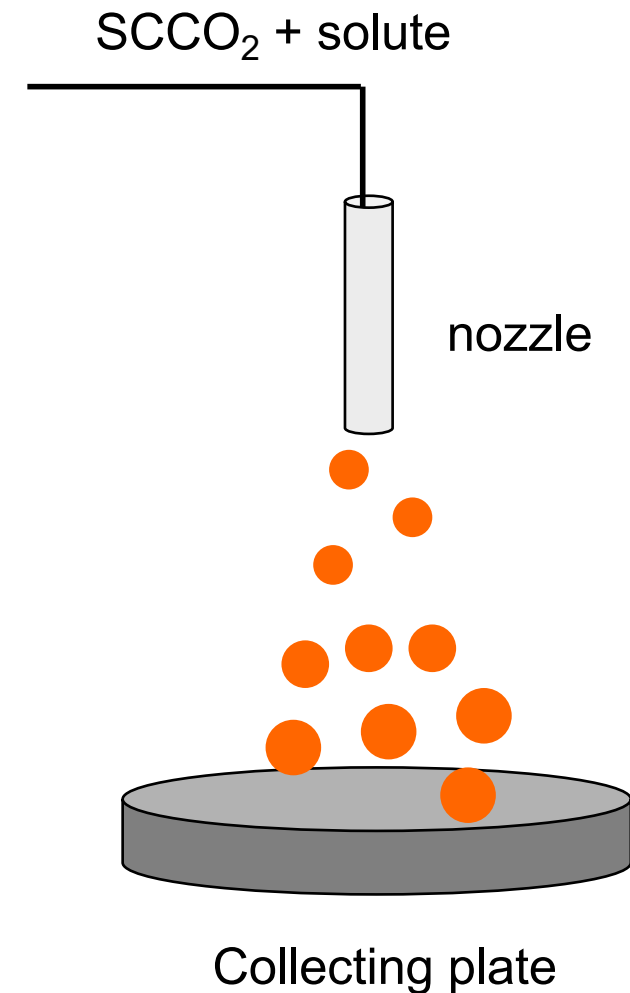
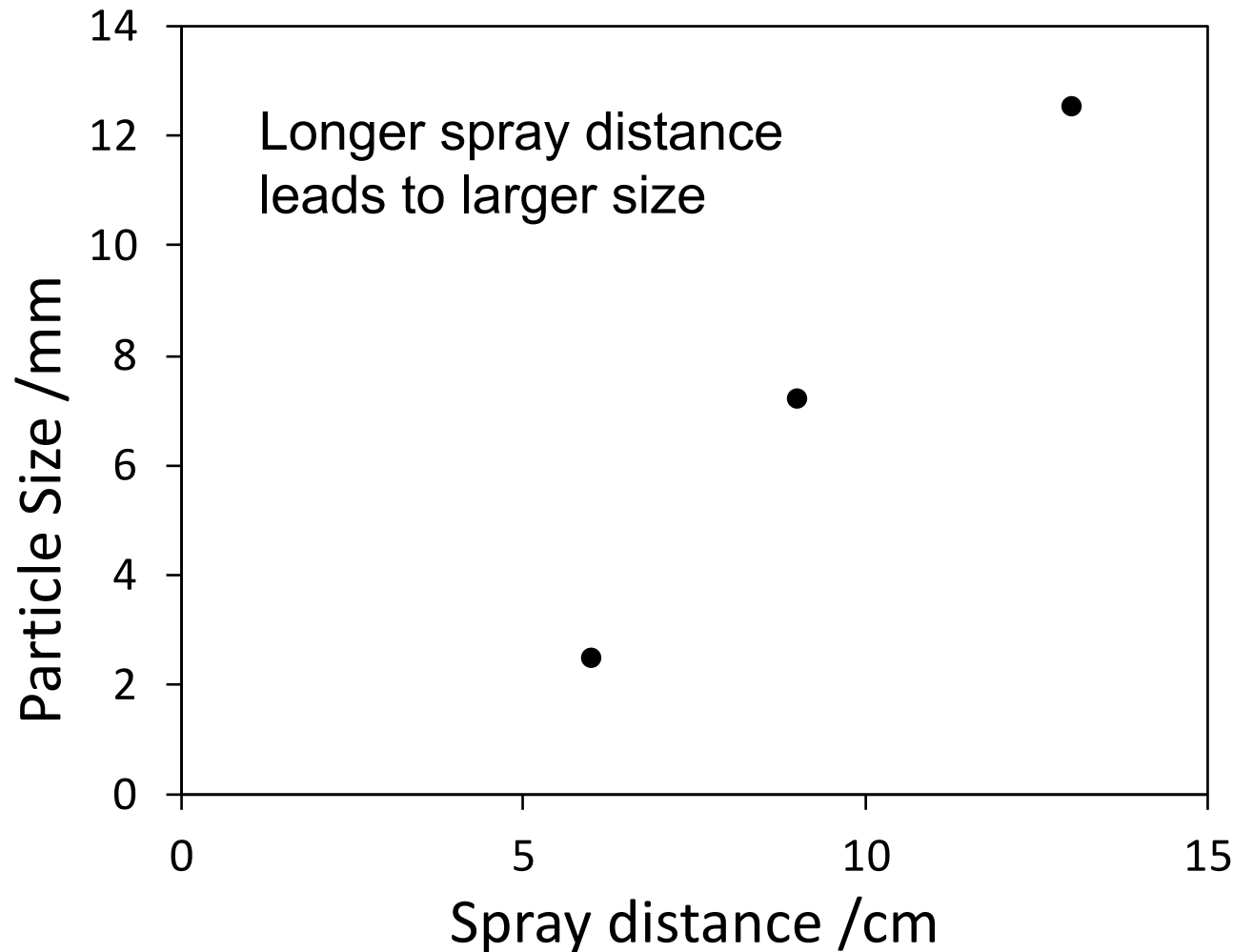
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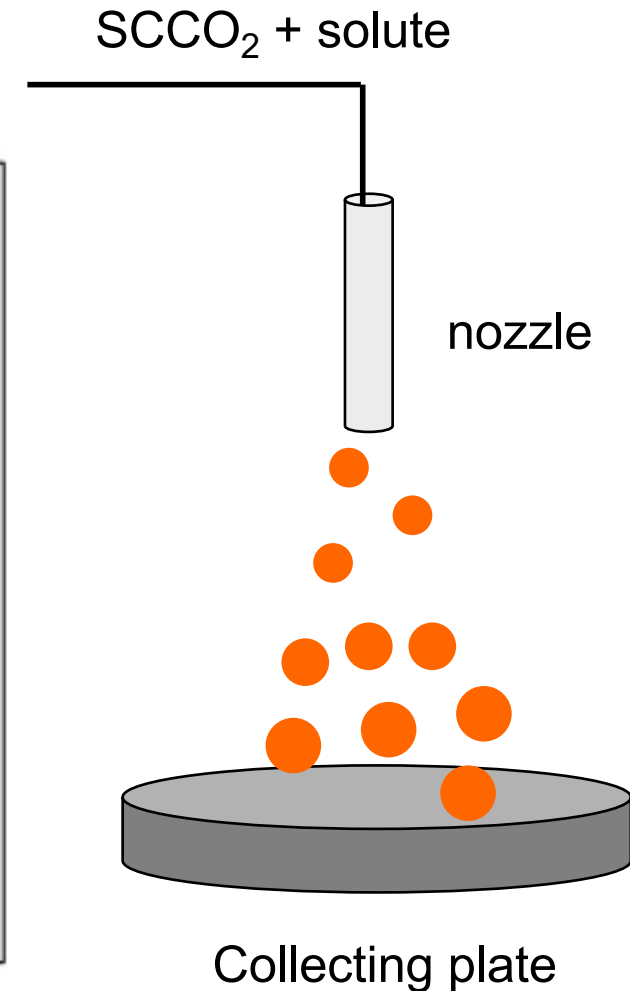
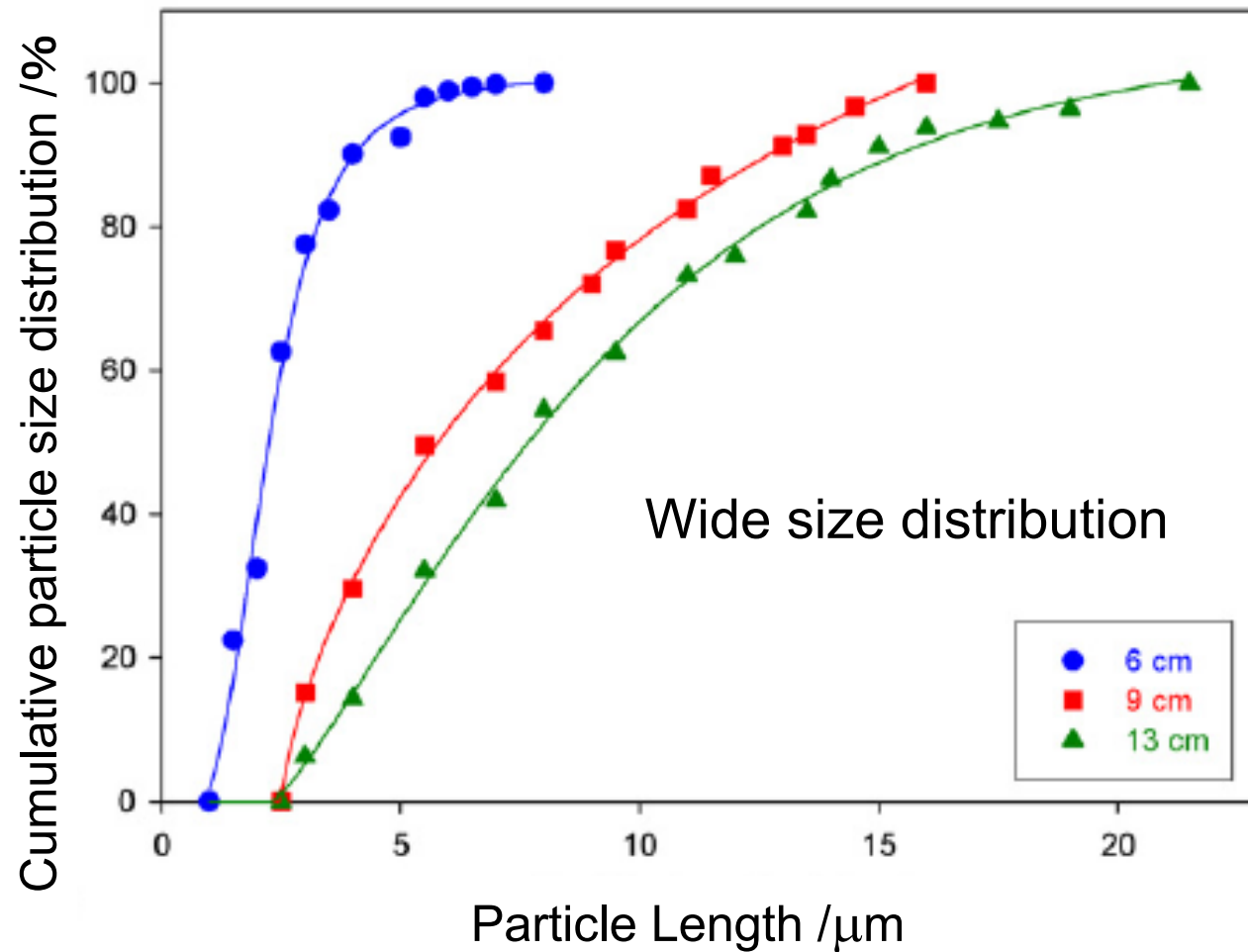
➤ Setup for RESS process using SCCO₂



➤ Effect of spray distance on particle size

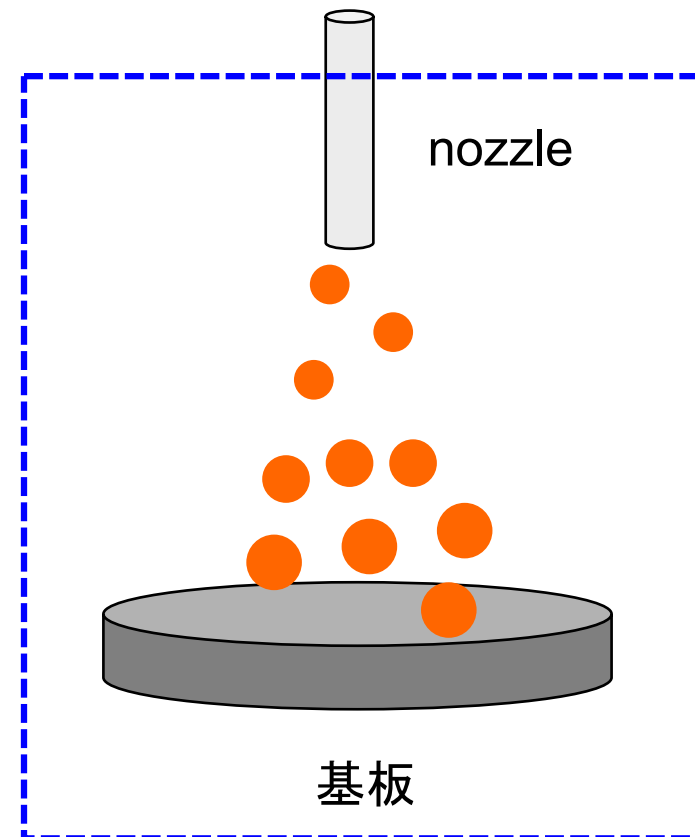


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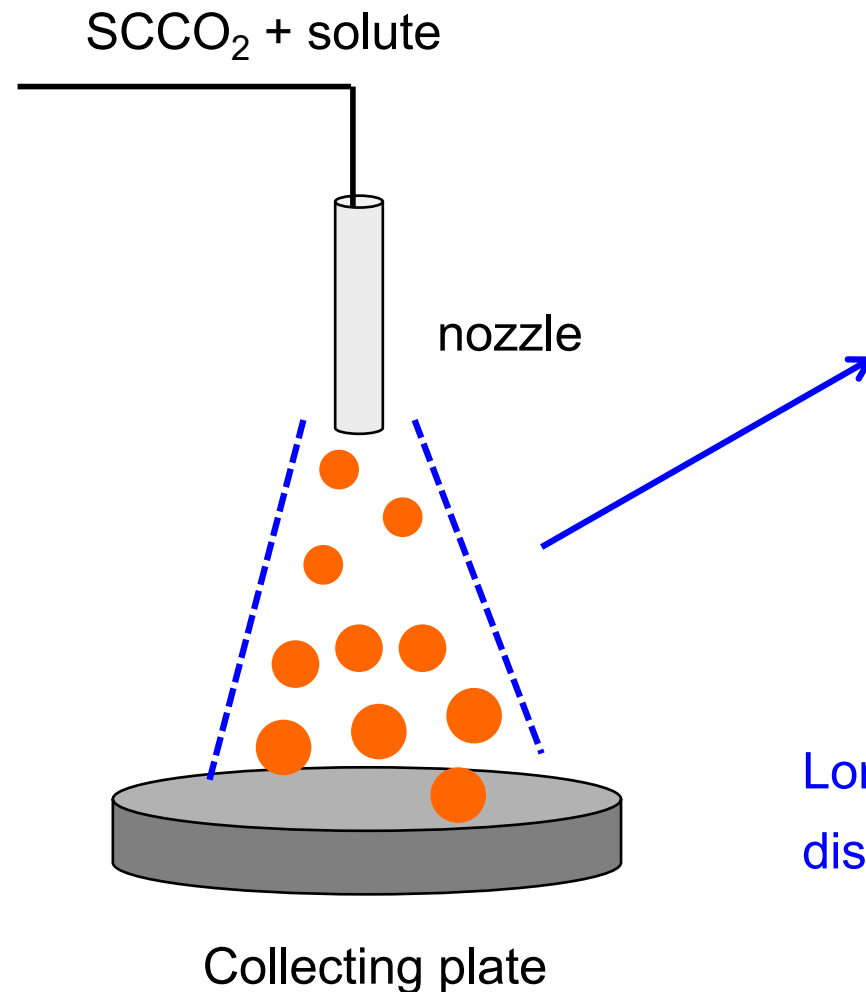


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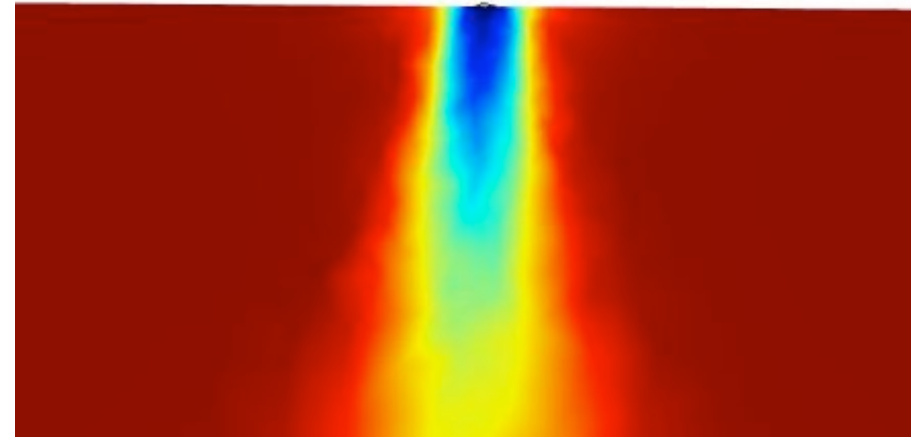
Give the mechanism why the longer spray distance results in the larger particle size and wide size distribution.



A. 2-3



Temperature distribution
(from CFD simulation)

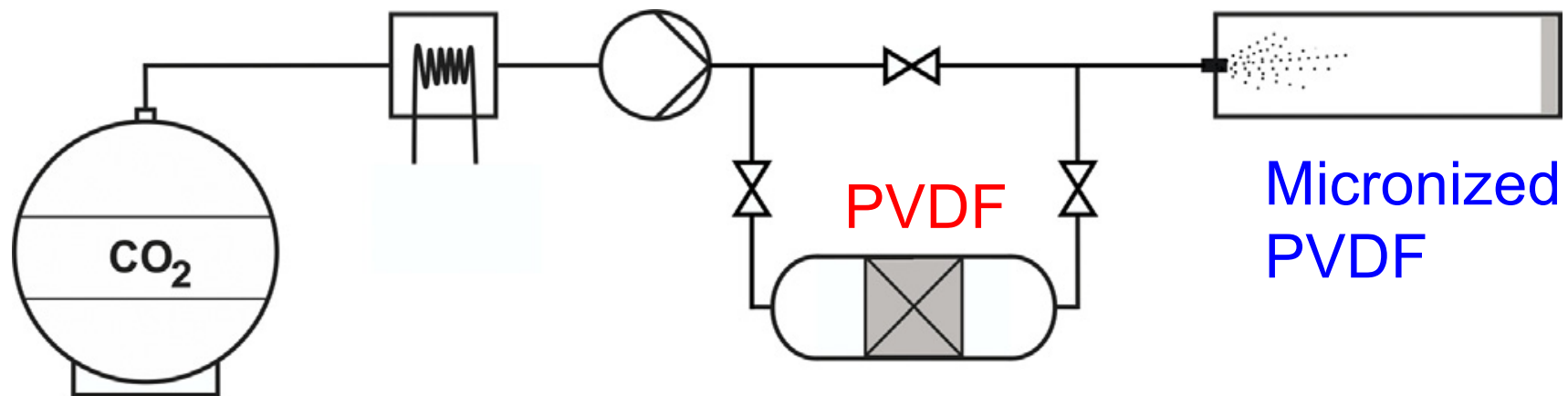


Long spray distance allow the wide temperature distribution on the collecting plate.

A. 2-3

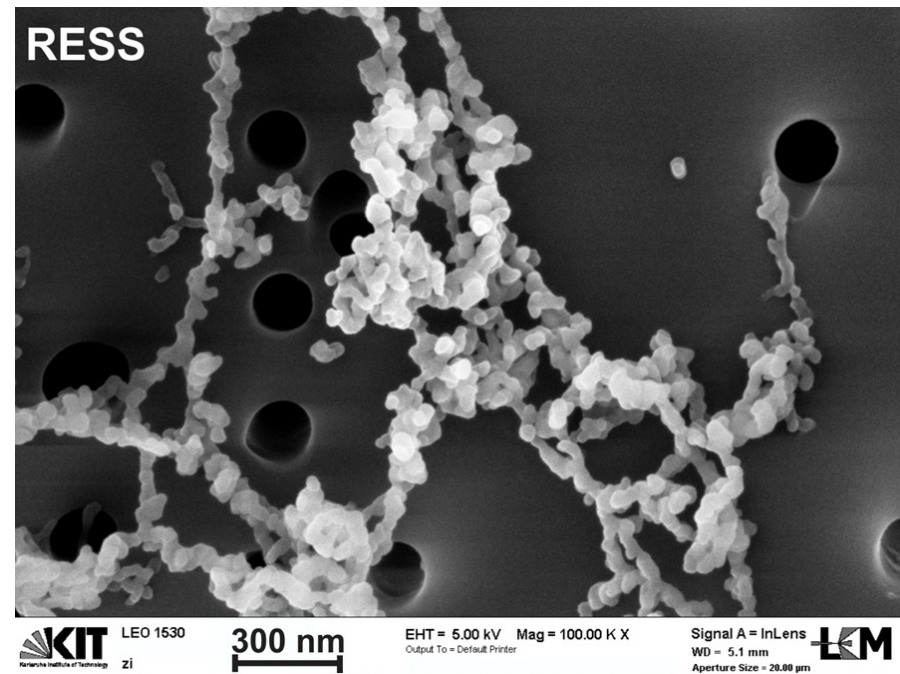
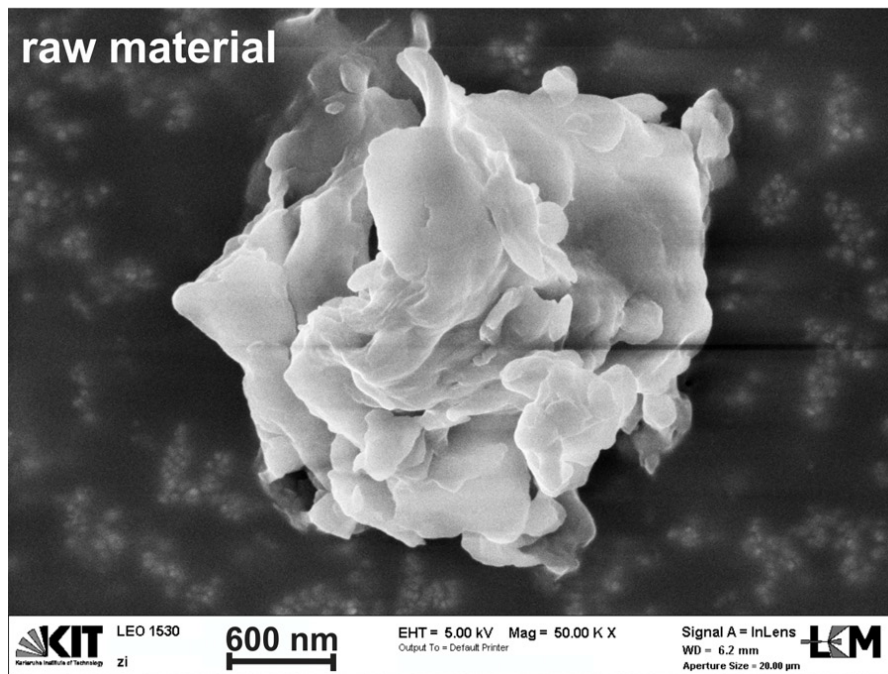
Rapid Expansion of Supercritical Solution : RESS

- Poly(vinylidene fluoride) (PVDF) micronization
 - >> semicrystalline polymer
 - >> α and β phases (other three phases) are known.
 - >> β phases has piezo-, pyroelectric property.



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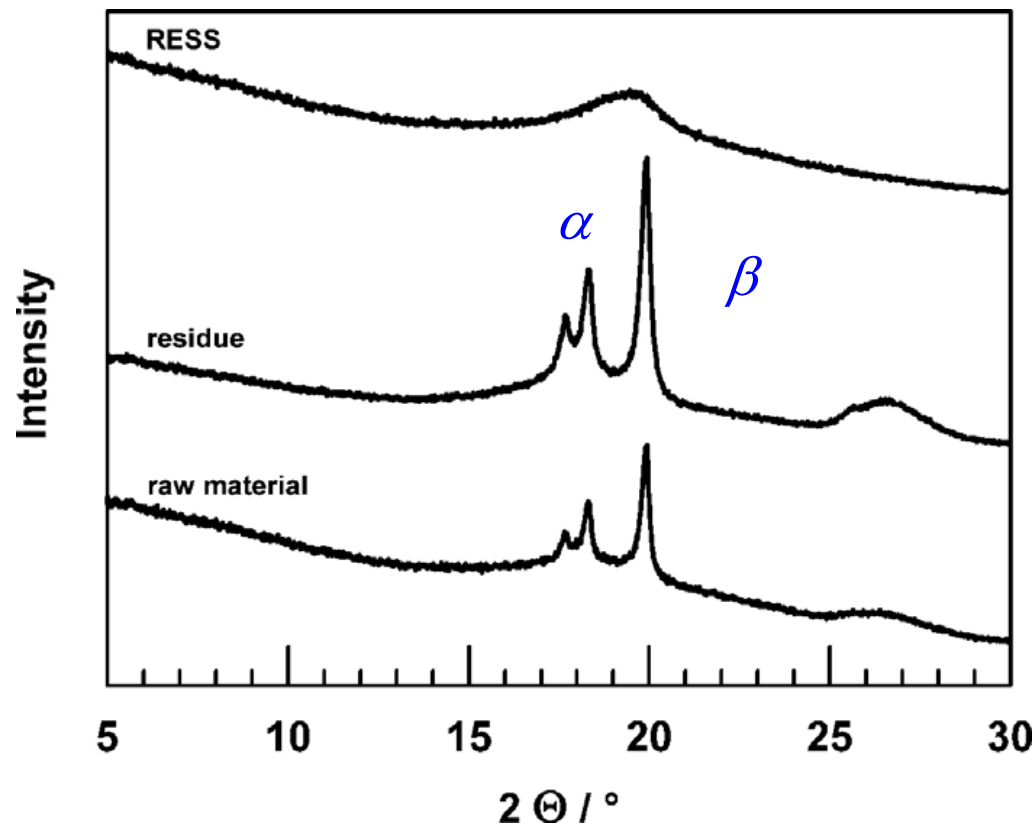


PVDF can be microparticle from RESS process

Rapid Expansion of Supercritical Solution : RESS

➤ Poly(vinylidene fluoride) (PVDF) micronization

Crystallinity of PVDF residue and produced in RESS process



RESS can produce β phase of PVDF

Dissolution into SCCO₂:

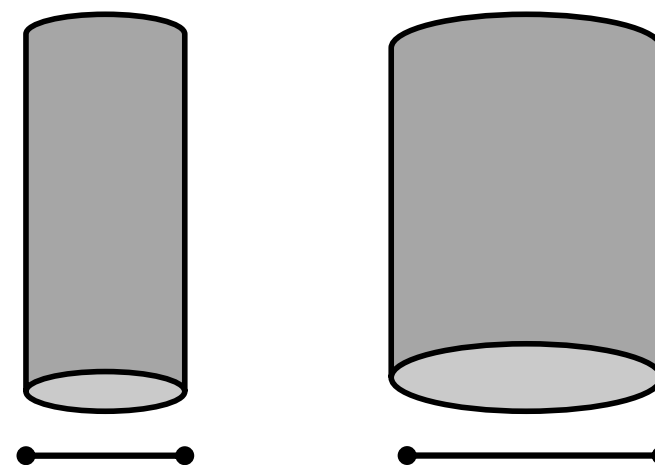
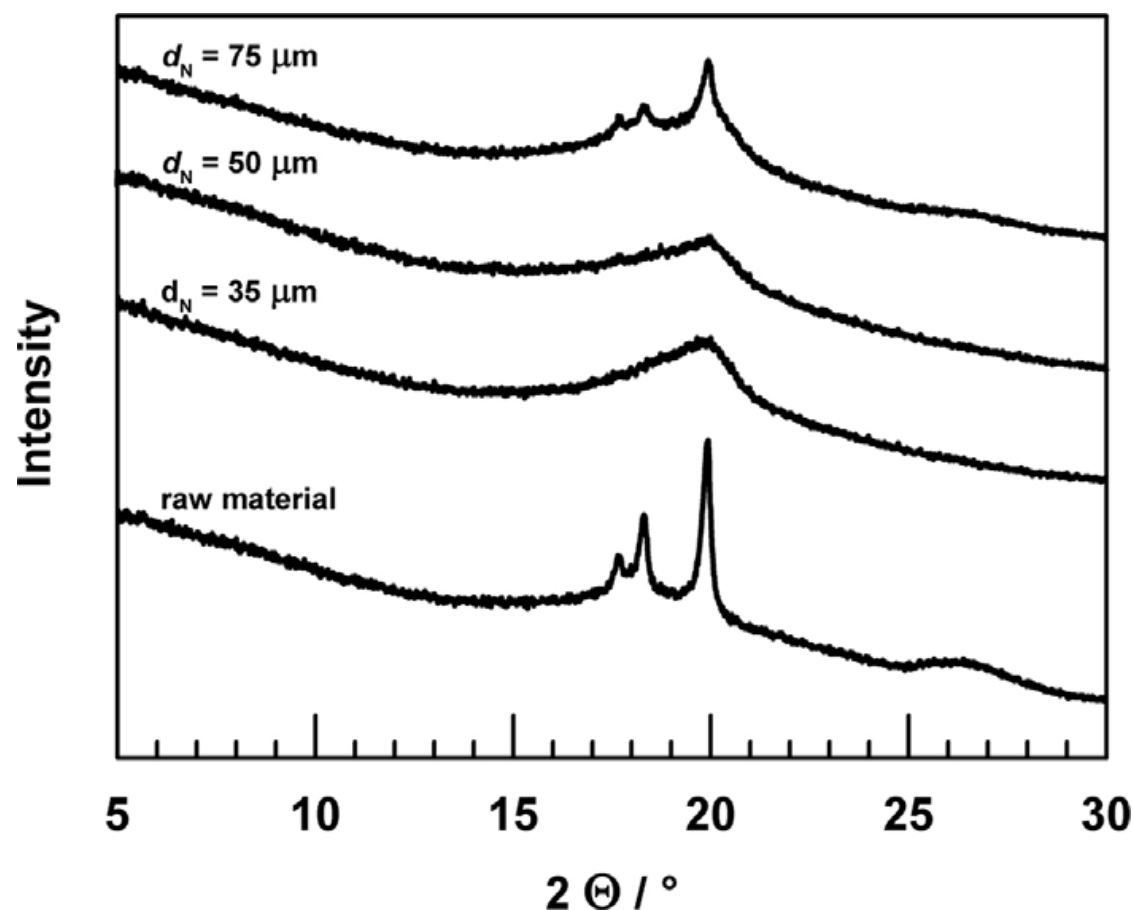
>> 50°C, 10 MPa

Nozzle diameter

>> 50 μm

➤ Poly(vinylidene fluoride) (PVDF) micronization

Crystallinity of PVDF residue and produced in RESS process



Larger nozzle diameter
→ High PVDF crystallinity

Q. 2-4

Give the mechanism why large nozzle diameter achieves the high PVDF crystallinity.