



EPOXY RESINS

From today's challenges to safe & sustainable alternatives



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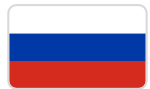
Epoxides : history and properties



Discovery

Early 1890s

Nikolai Prilezhaev



First patent

1934

Paul Schlack



Simultaneous
discovery

1940

Dr. Pierre CASTAN



Dr. Sylvan GREENLEE

Ciba SA



Devoe & Reynolds

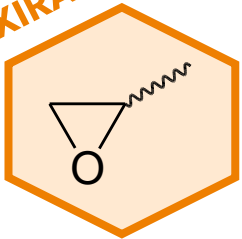
BASF Performance
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OXIRANE



Ring strain
114 kJ/mol³
High reactivity



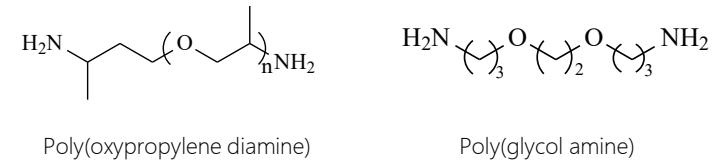
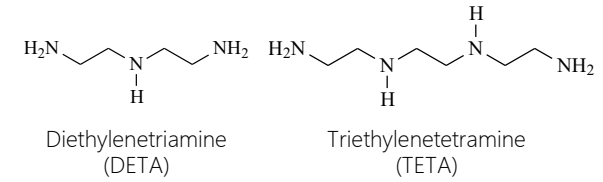
Various hardeners

- Amines
- Anhydrides
- Thiols
- Phenols

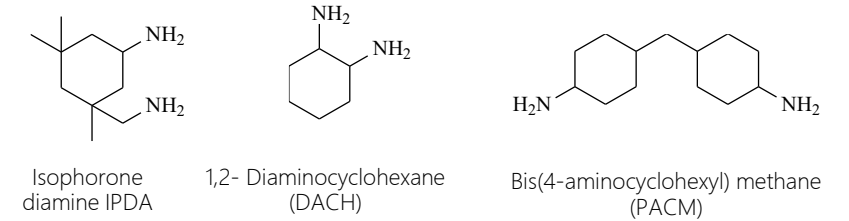


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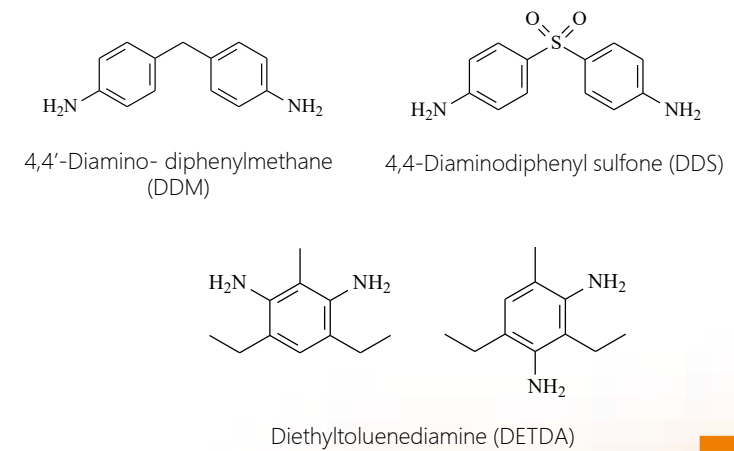
Aliphatic



Cycloaliphatic



Aromatic

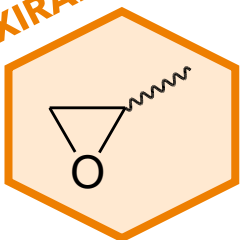


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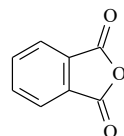
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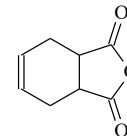
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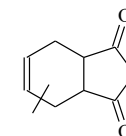
ANHYDRIDES



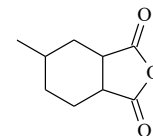
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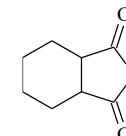
Tetrahydrophthalic anhydride
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Methyltetrahydrophthalic anhydride
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Methyl hexahydrophthalic anhydride
(MHHPA)



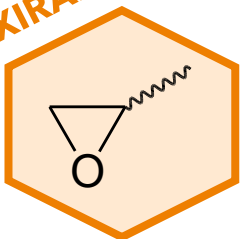
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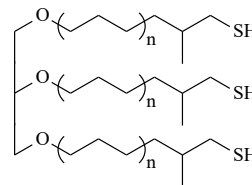
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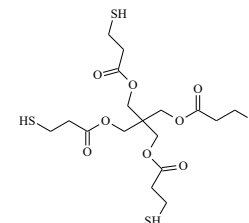
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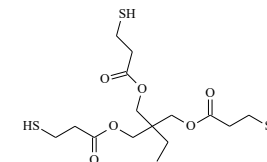
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Polymercaptans



Pentaerythritol
tetrakis(3-mercaptopropionate)



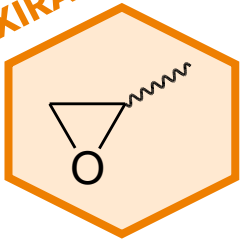
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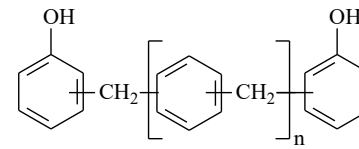


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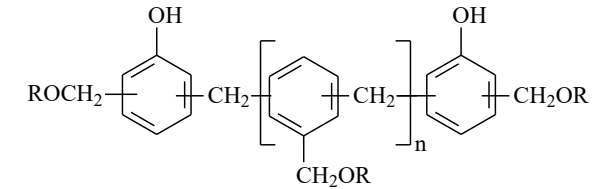
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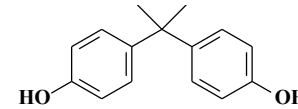
PHENOLIC COMPOUNDS



Phenol Novolac resin



Phenol-formaldehyde resin



Bisphenol A

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Wide range of properties

- Thermomechanical performances
- Chemical resistance
- Electrical insulating properties

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APPLICATIVE FIELDS

AERONAUTIC



AUTOMOTIVE



BUILDING



COATINGS



ELECTRONICS



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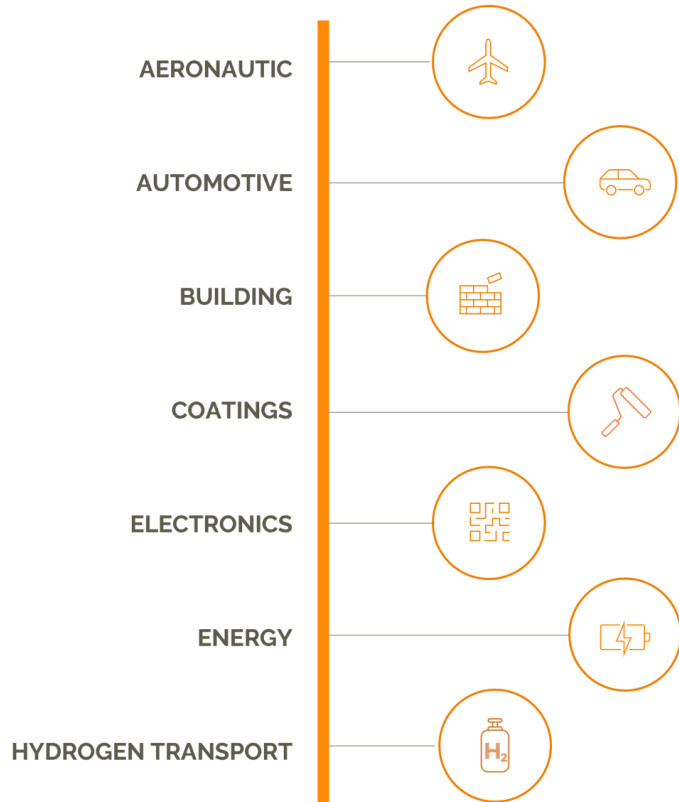
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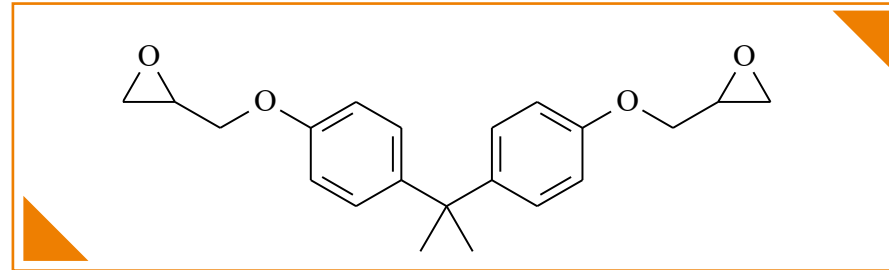
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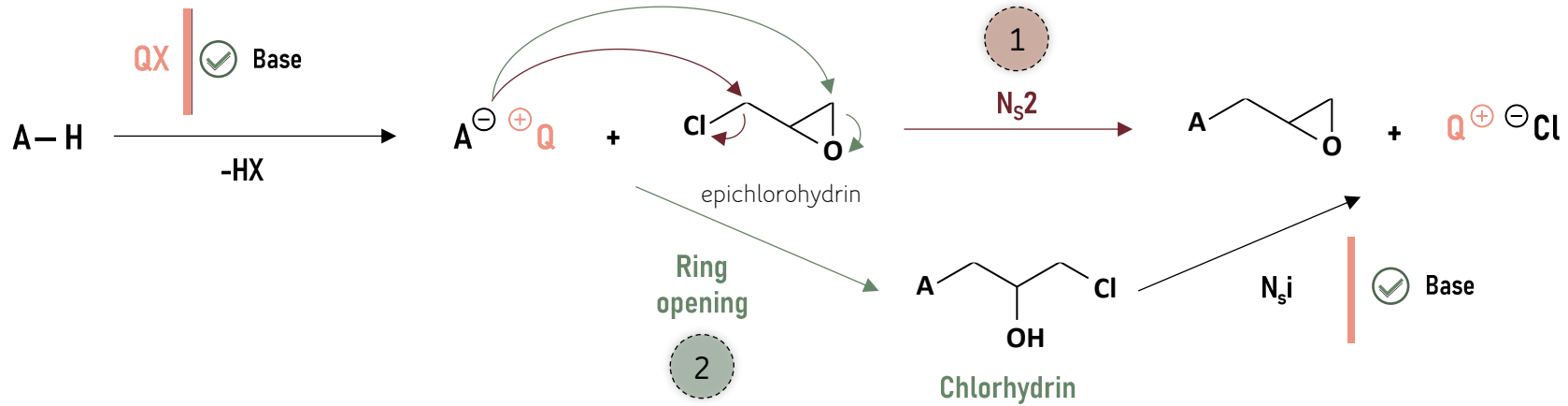
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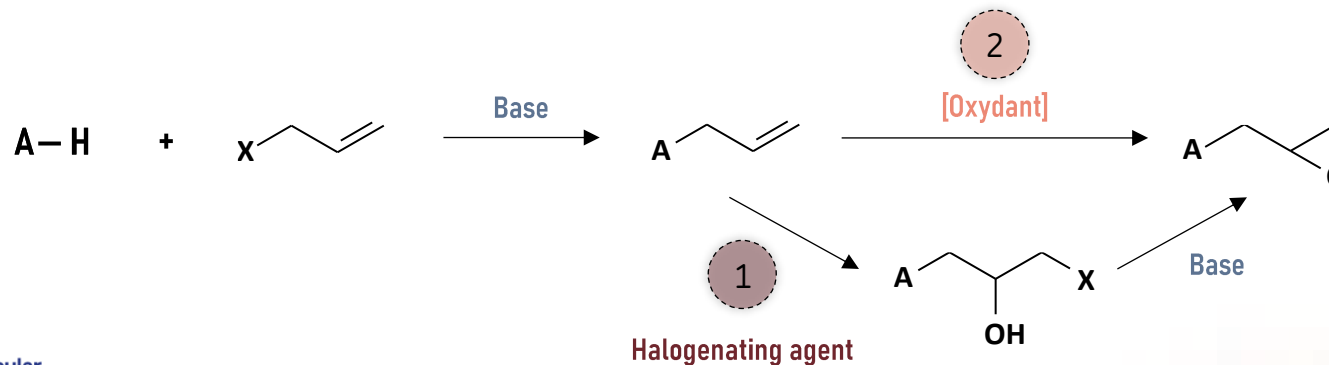
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Epoxy synthesis

1. Direct pathway
using epichlorohydrin

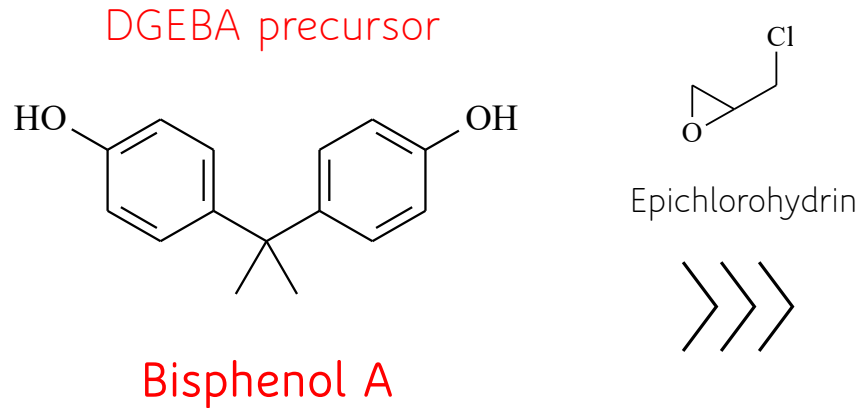


2. Indirect pathway
- allylation /
epoxydation

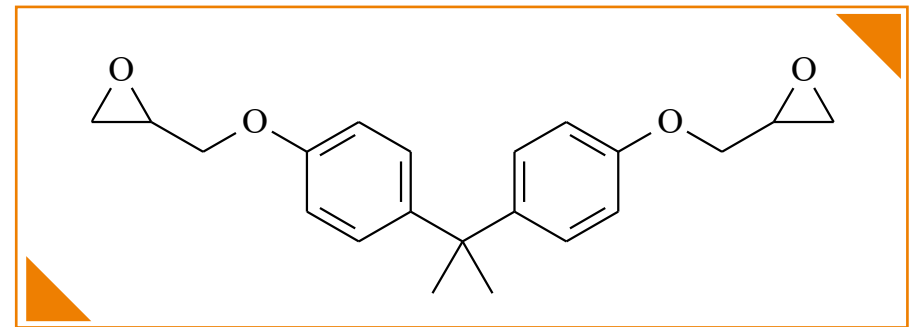


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Harmful + Petro-based compounds



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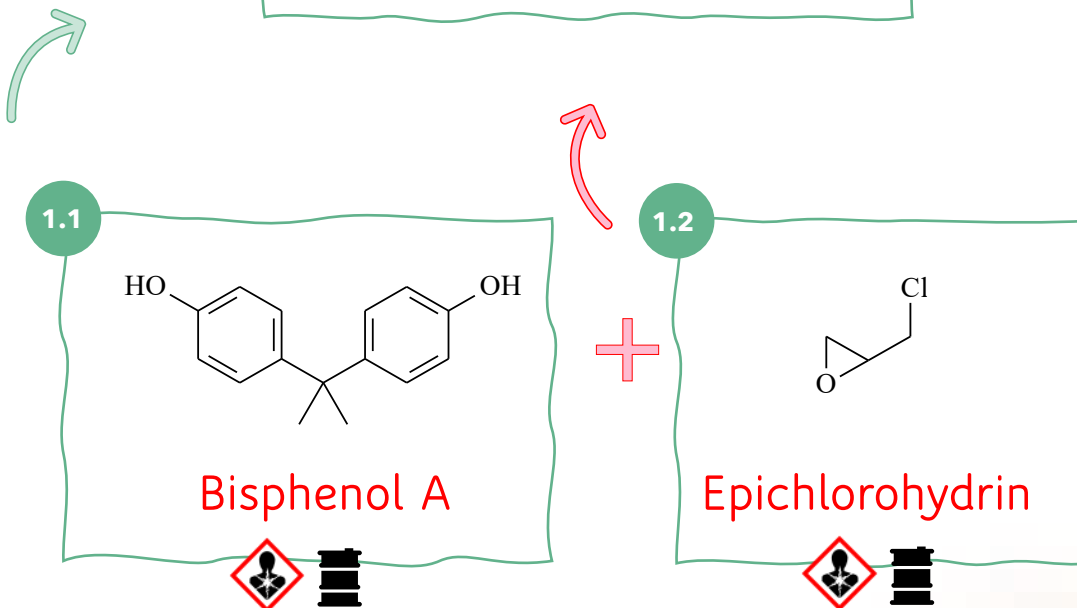
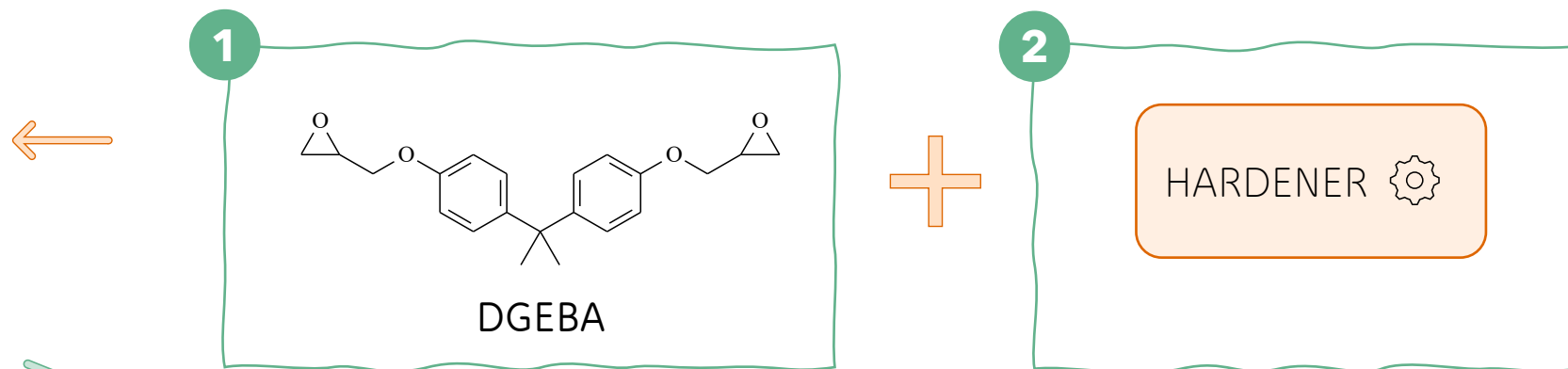
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Overview



Epoxy material



Finding safe & sustainable epoxy materials alternatives means ...

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Alternatives in biobased epoxy resins

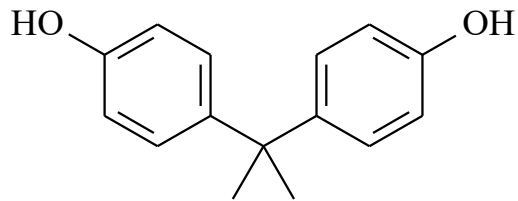


- Researches in finding safe & biobased alternatives to **BPA**
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- Researches in finding biobased **hardeners**

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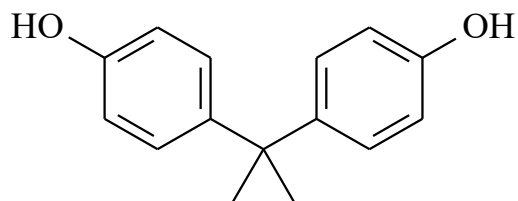
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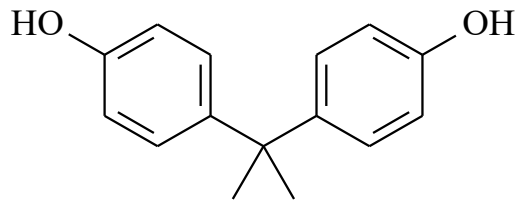
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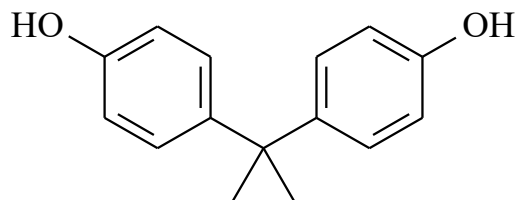
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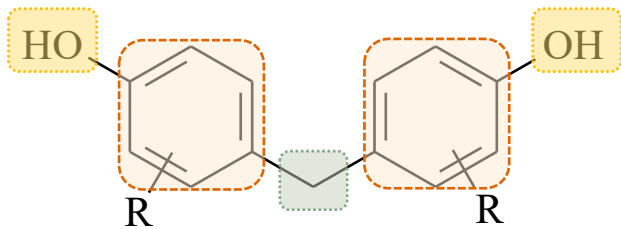
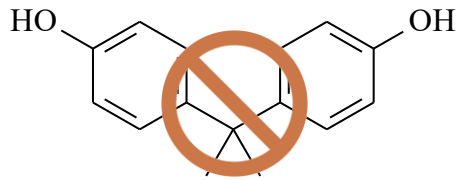


3. Target similar performances



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By-passing bisphenol-A : toward safer epoxy resins



- 2 phenols moieties
- 2 aryl groups
- 1 carbon spacer

Structural part

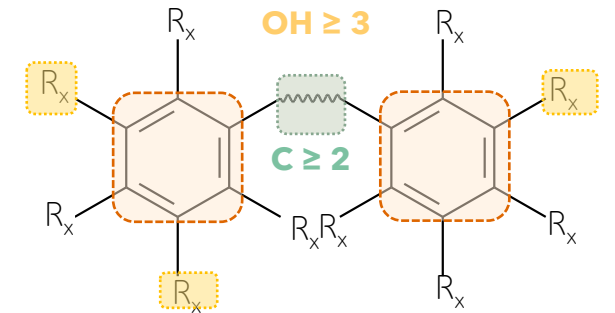
Target DGEBA main performances

Involve mono-aryl phenols



R_x : OH, or H or another functional group

Involve polyphenols

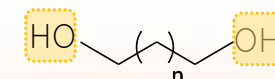
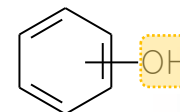


R_x : H, OH or another functional group (methoxy, aldehyde..)

Epoxy reactive diluents

Fine tuning of properties

Involve monophenol, aliphatic diols



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Alternatives in biobased epoxy resins



Researches in finding biobased alternatives to BPA

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Vernonia oil

- Nontoxic
- Low cost
- Widely available

Castor oil

Soybean oil

- Long aliphatic chain
→ ≈ low performances
- Material $T_g \propto$ epoxy index

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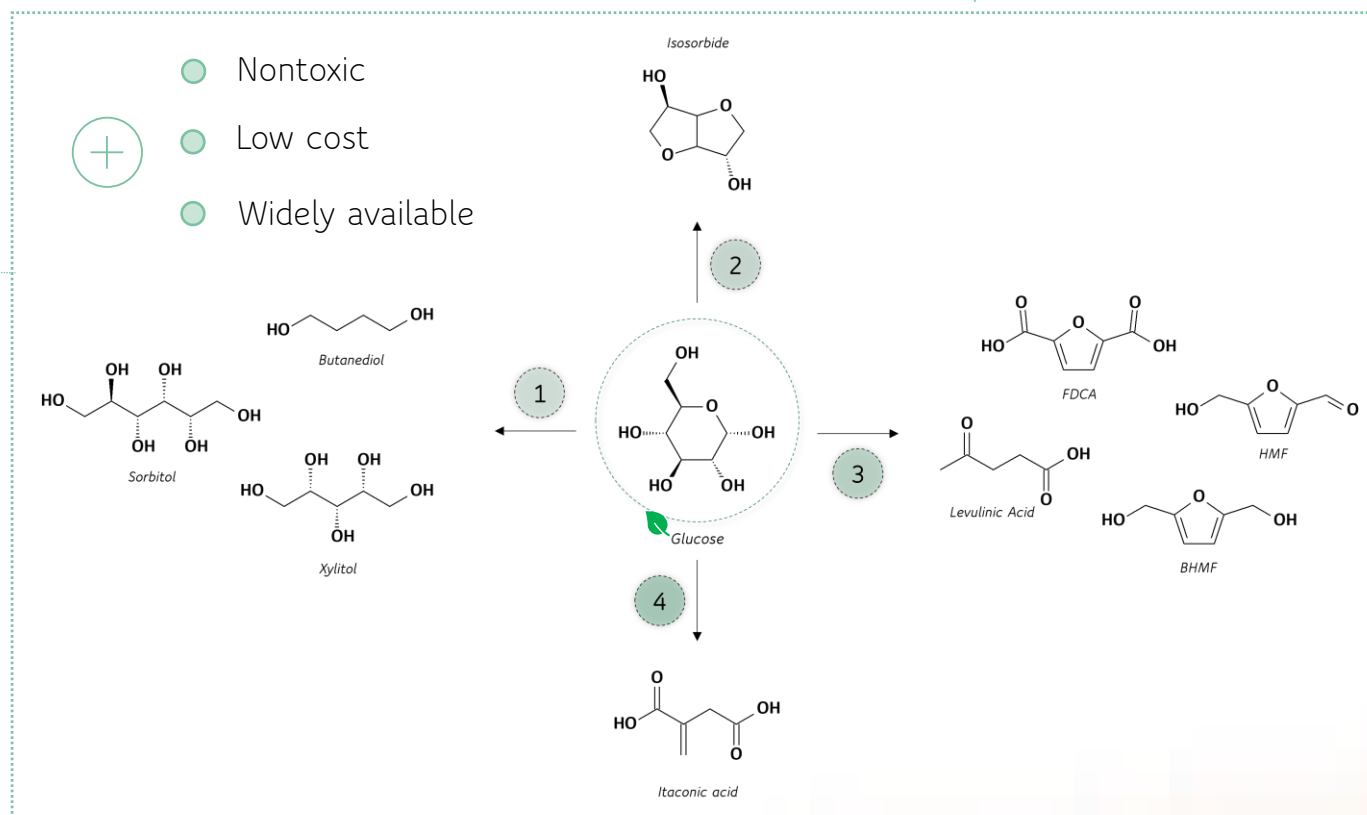
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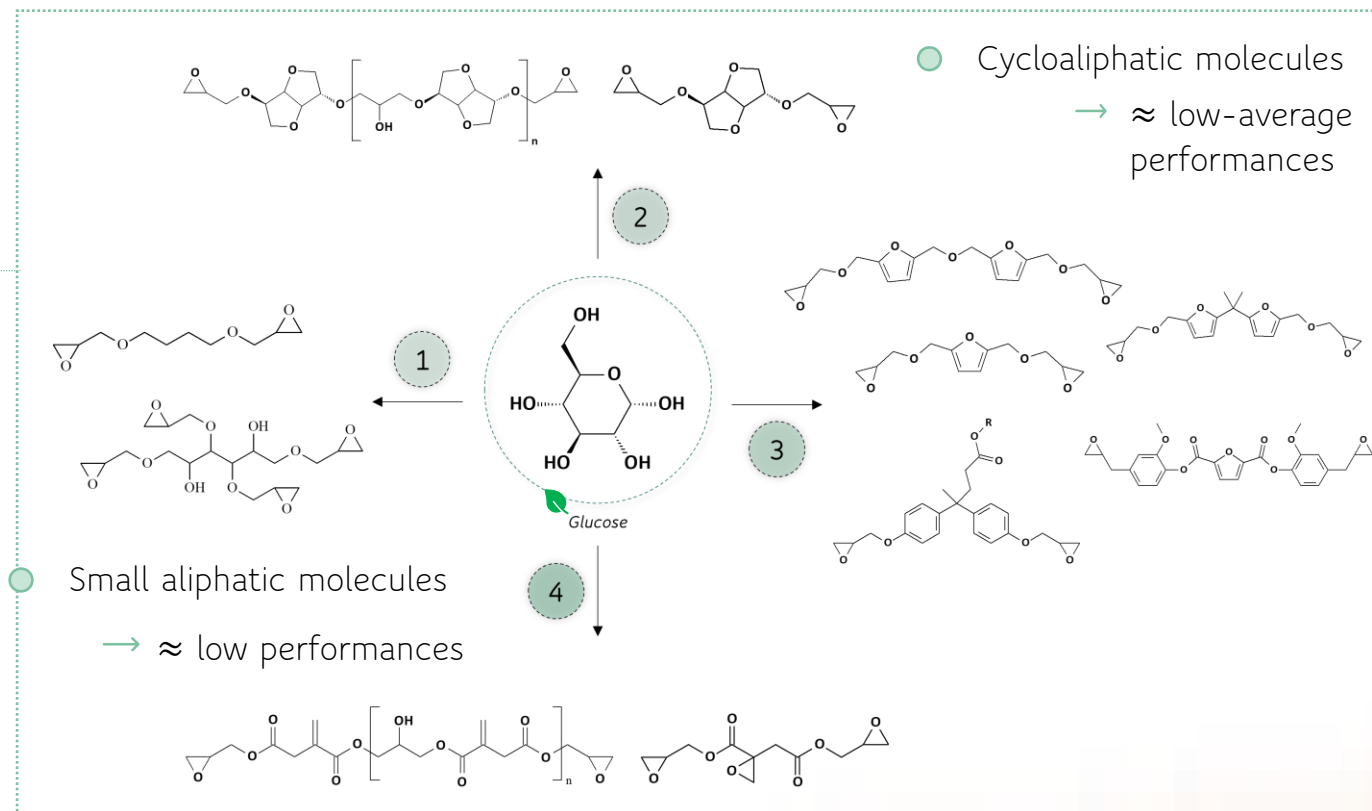
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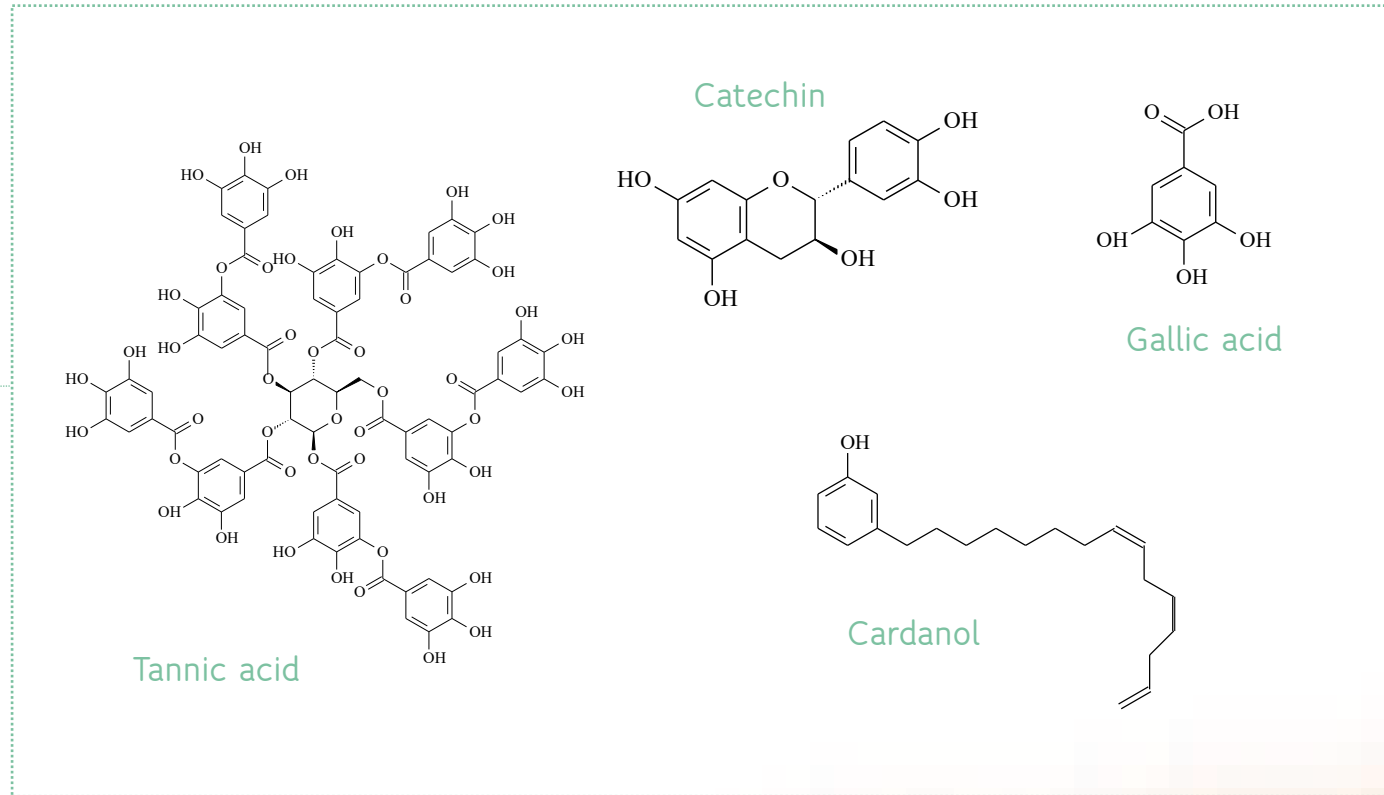
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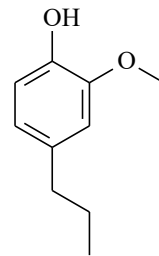
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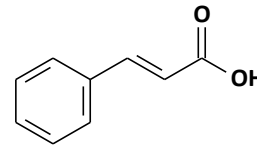
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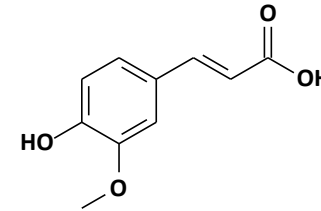
From \Rightarrow Lignin & derivatives



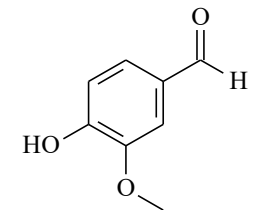
Dihydroxy eugenol



Cinnamic acid



Ferulic acid



Vanillin

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- Researches in finding biobased alternatives to **BPA**
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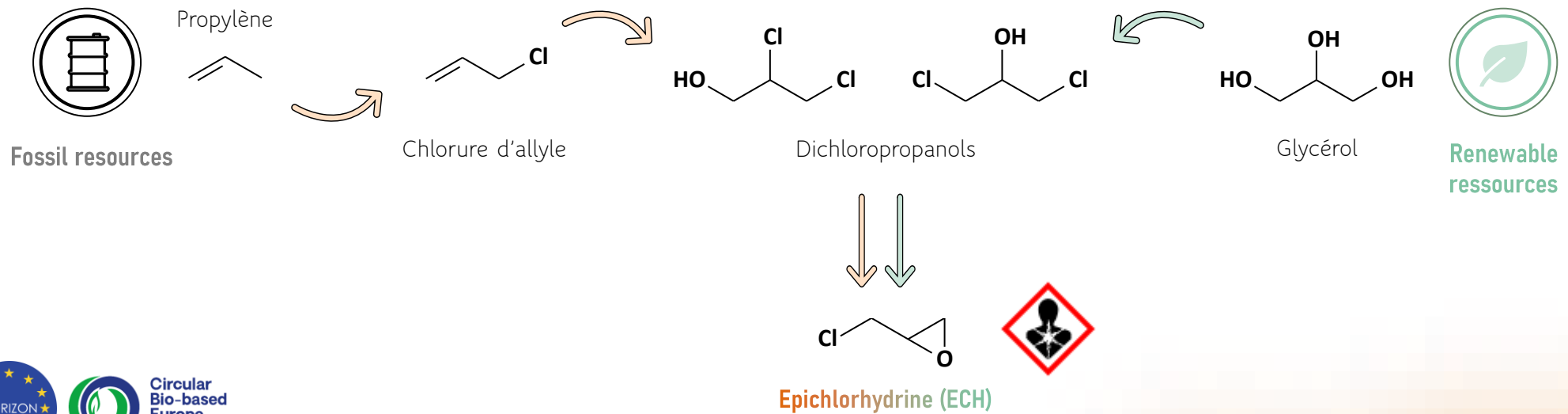


Researches in finding biobased alternatives to Epichlorohydrin (ECH)

Possible synthesis from **Glycerol** (GTE process)

Commercial solution : **Epicerol®** Technology

Cost very close to petrobased ECH : 2\$/kg



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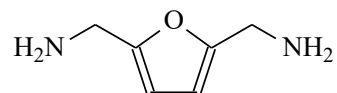
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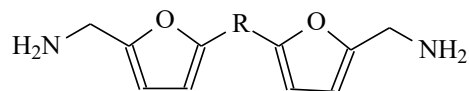


Researches in finding biobased hardeners

Amines



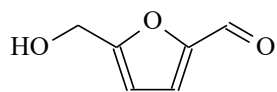
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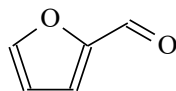
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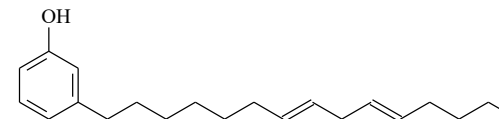
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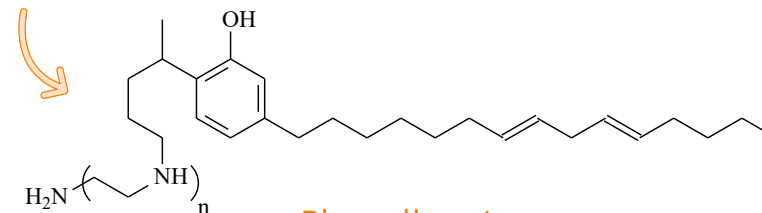
HMF



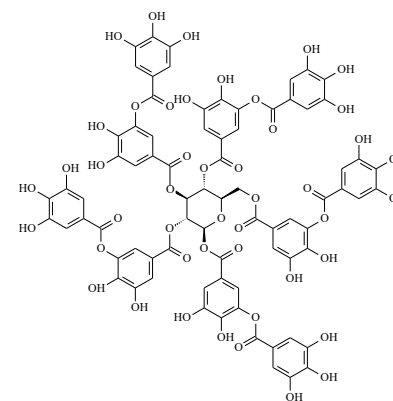
Furfural



Cardanol



Phenalkamines



Tannic acid



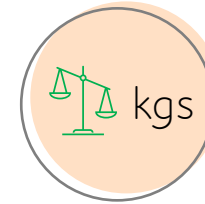


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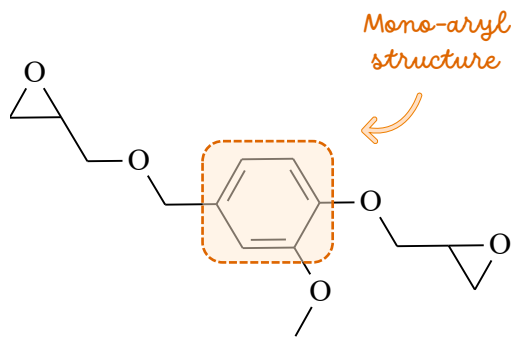
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Epoxy building-blocks : SP's strategy



DGEVA SP-9S-5-005



Diglycidylether of vanillyl alcohol

- Crystalline white solid
- Structural epoxy resin
- Low viscosity -

25°C	500 mPa.s	50°C	70 mPa.s
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- Available in 3 BBCs

0 %	40 %	100 %
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- Low performances

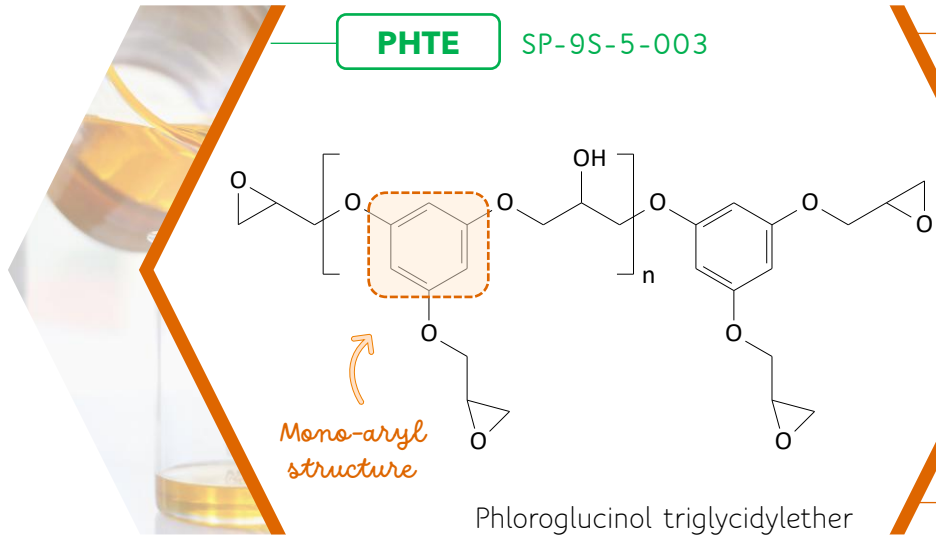
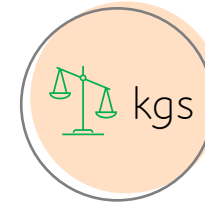


Thermal cure
Cycloaliphatic amine hardener. $T_g \approx 95 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
Aromatic amine hardener. $T_g \approx 110 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$



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Epoxy building-blocks : SP's strategy



Orange viscous liquid

Structural epoxy resin

High viscosity - **30 °C 7000 - 9000 mPa.s**

50 °C 600 - 700 mPa.s

Available in 2 BBCs 0 % | 60 %

High performances



Thermal cure

Cycloaliphatic amine hardener. $T_g \approx 250 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (DMA)

Aromatic amine hardener. $T_g \approx 225 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (DMA)

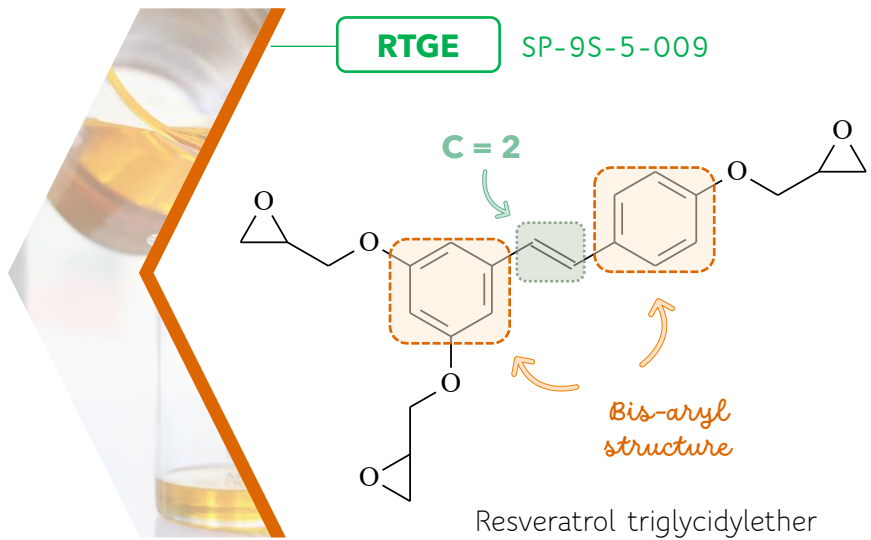





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Epoxy building-blocks : SP's strategy

COMING SOON
 kgs

 g to 1 kg



- Brown viscous liquid
- Structural epoxy resin
- Very high viscosity - 30°C 200 k - 450 k mPa.s 80°C 500 - 700 mPa.s
- High performances
- Available in 2 BBCs
 0 % ||  60 % ||  100 %

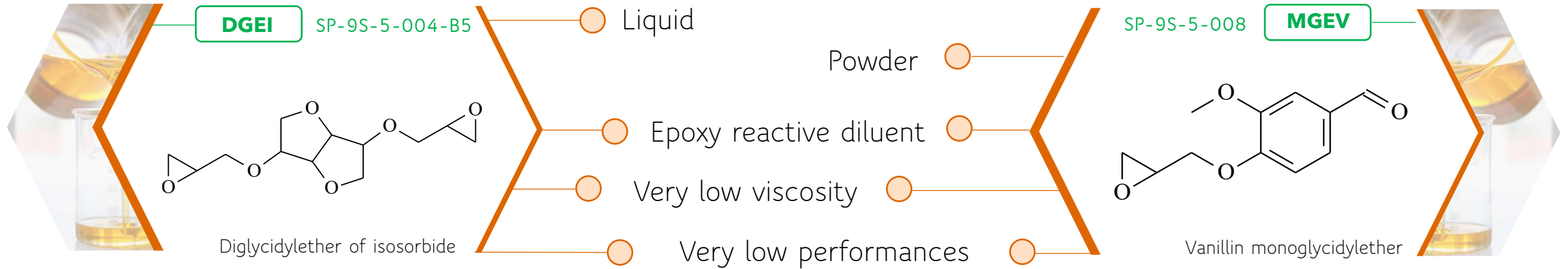
COMING SOON



Approximating PHTE
 

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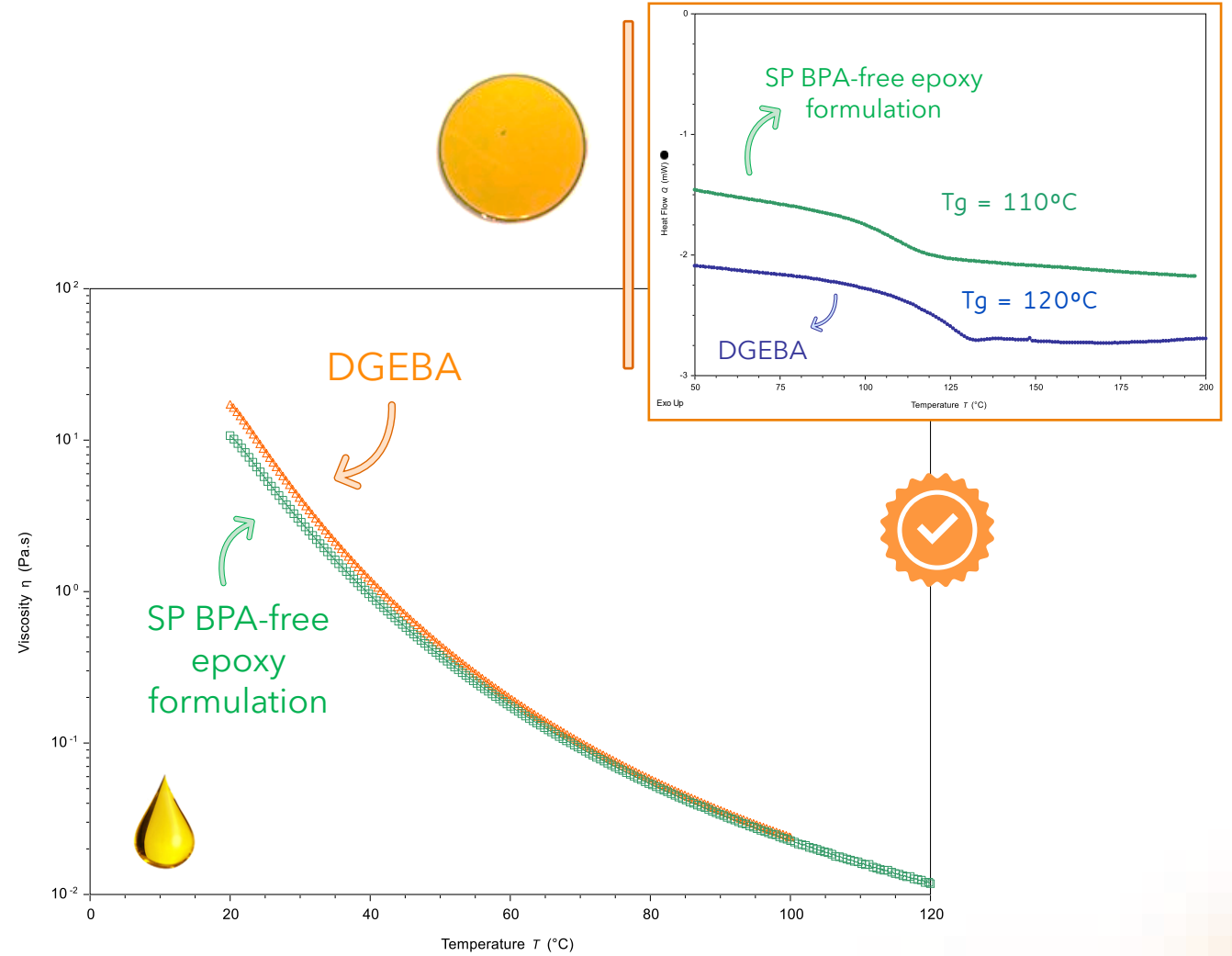


- Bifunctional bicyclic epoxy
- Low molecular weight
- Viscosity at 25 °C = 250 mPa.s

- Monofunctional aryl epoxy
- Low molecular weight
- Powder at 25 °C,

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Epoxy formulations : SP achievement





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