

# Moisture and volatiles content by TGA

### **INTRODUCTION**

TGA is frequently used to determine the moisture and volatiles content of polymers, biofuel, chemicals, pharmaceuticals and other materials. Controlling the moisture and volatile content of such materials is important because it can impact their properties, guality and safety.

Here, the moisture and volatiles content of Nylon 6,6 was determined using the SETLINE TGA.

#### **EXPERIMENT**

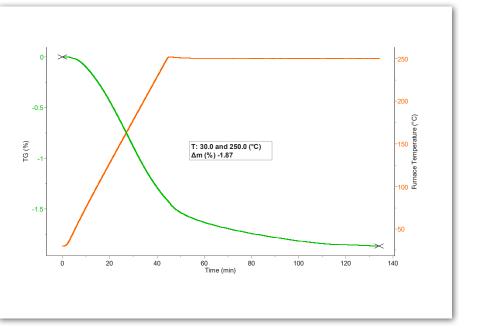
A sample amount of 40 mg of Nylon 6,6 was weighed and inserted in an alumina crucible.

The following experimental conditions were applied on the sample:

• Heating from 25°C to 250°C at 5 K/ minute

Isotherm at 250°C for 90 minutes

• Atmosphere: nitrogen flow at a rate of 30 ml/min



## **RESULTS AND CONCLUSION**

The result shows a mass loss of 1.87% corresponding to the level of humidity and volatiles inside the material. The determination of moisture content requires an accurate measurement and SETLINE TGA, thanks to its hang down balance is well adapt for such test.



#### **INSTRUMENT**

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