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<b>Objet de la demande:</b> <i>Identification of organic contamination on “HPL plates” for CMS Muon Trigger upgrade (RE4) – Samples from Italian company -</i>		
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**Received samples:**

- Two MEK (Methyl Ethyl Ketone) solutions from GT Machine (noted A and B solutions)
- 1 piece of “red rubber”
- Plastic threads (brush bristles)

**Method, instrument:**

- FT-IR spectroscopy - Bruker Vertex 70:
- Transmission mode
  - ATR mode

**Results:**

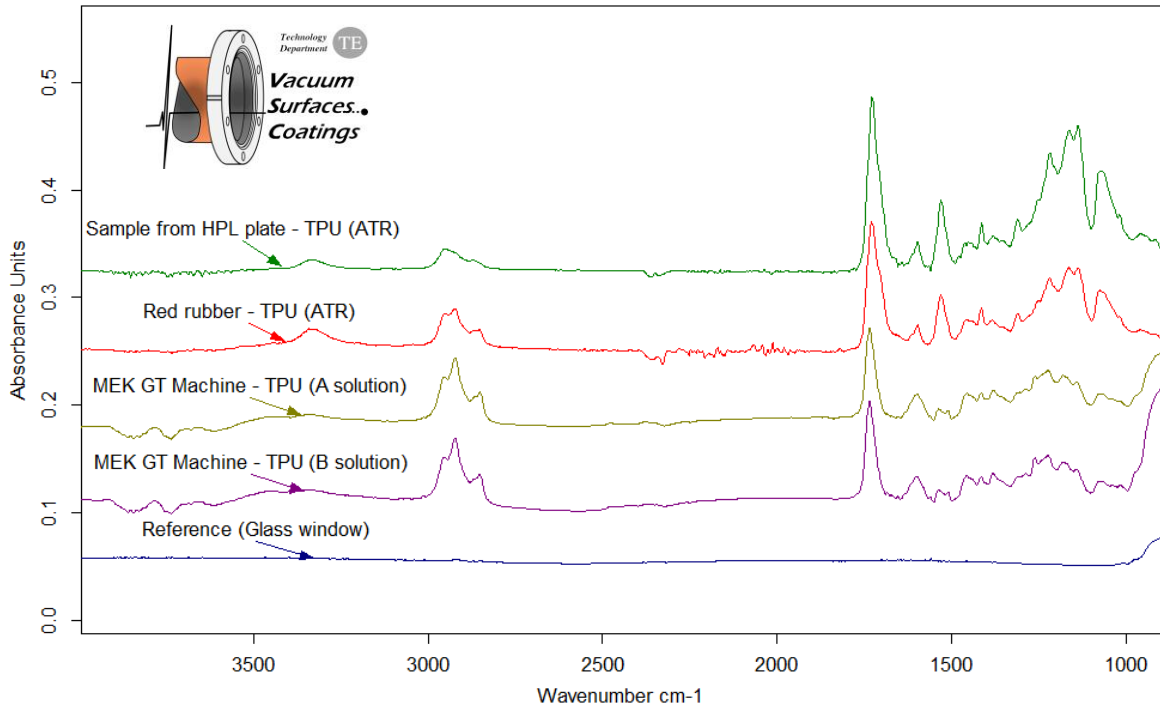
The “red rubber” sample was identified as polyurethane; its ATR FT-IR spectrum (Fig.1) is similar to the contaminating layer measured on “HPL plate” (see [https://edms.cern.ch/file/1195092/1/I.Crotty\\_X060212.pdf](https://edms.cern.ch/file/1195092/1/I.Crotty_X060212.pdf)).

The FT- IR spectra of the analysed A and B MEK solutions show that the both solutions are contaminated with TPU (thermoplastic polyurethane) (Fig. 1)

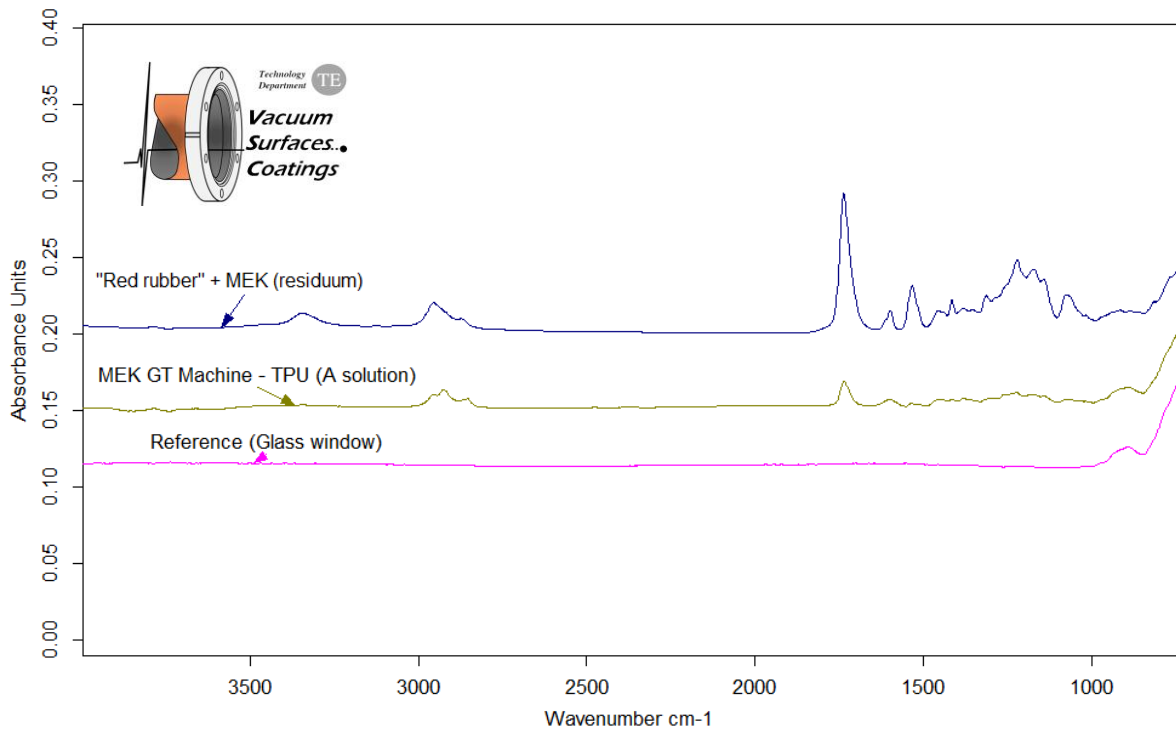
The “red rubber” sample was immersed in MEK (1 hour) in chem. lab. The FT-IR spectrum of the resulted residuum after MEK evaporation is shown in Fig. 2. It confirms that MEK dissolve the “red rubber”.

The ATR FT-IR spectrum of the plastic threads (brush bristles) evidenced polyamide-6 as the base material (Fig. 3). The plastic threads were immersed in MEK (15 hours). The FT-IR measurement does not shown any noticeable contamination with polyurethane or polyamide-6 (Fig.4).

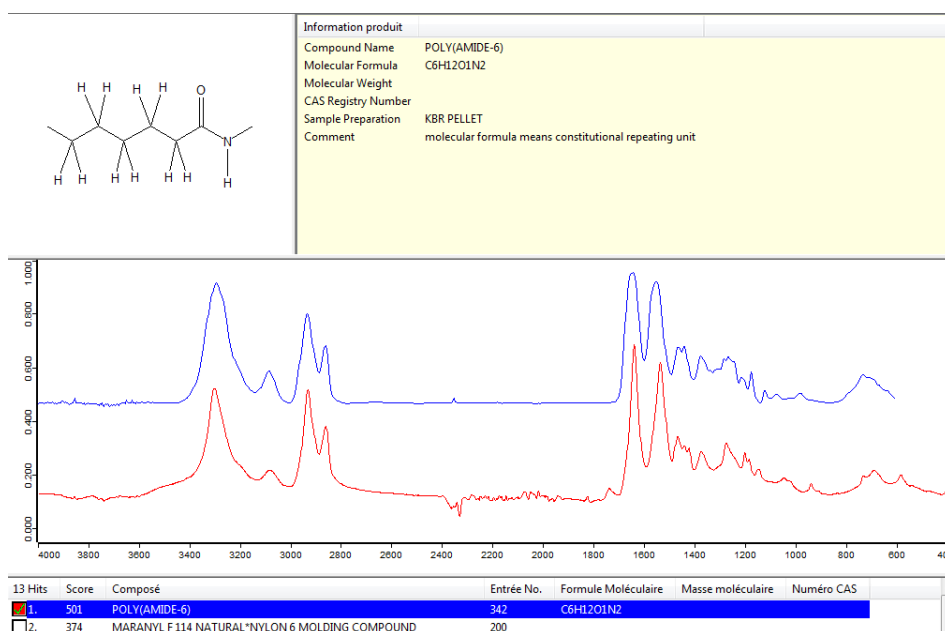
**Fig. 1 - FT-IR spectra of received samples**



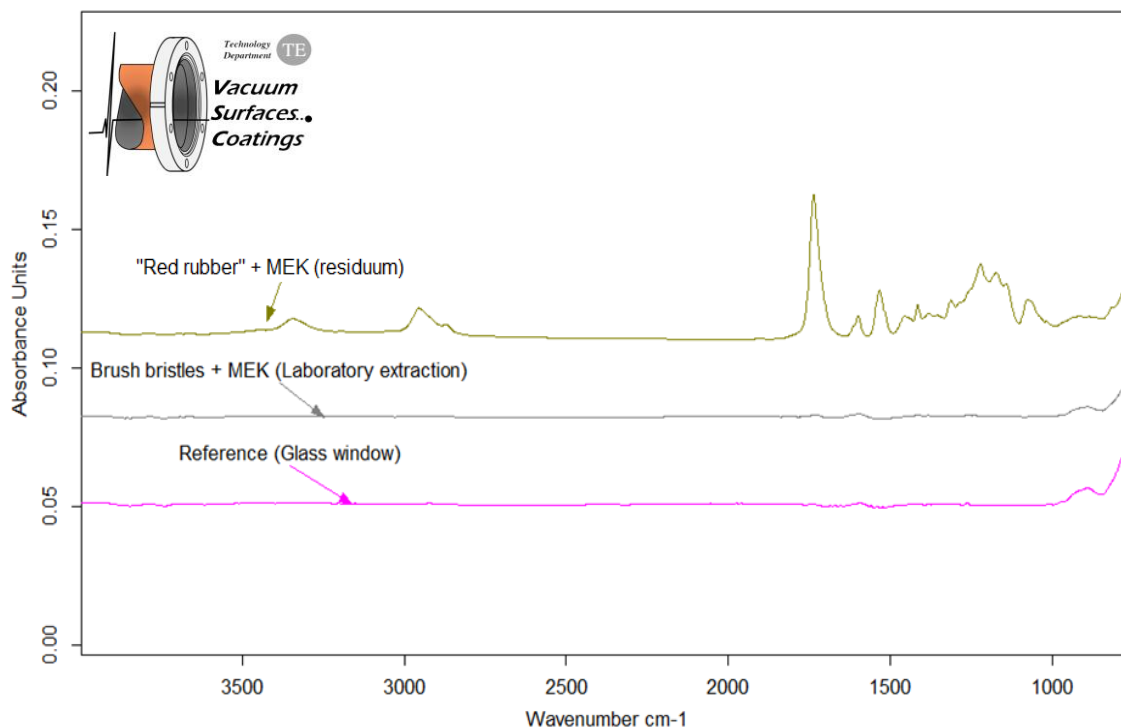
**Fig. 2 - FT-IR spectrum of dissolved red rubber in MEK solution (residuum)**



**Fig. 3 – ATR FT-IR spectrum of plastic threads (brush bristles)  
-Compared with a database spectra-**

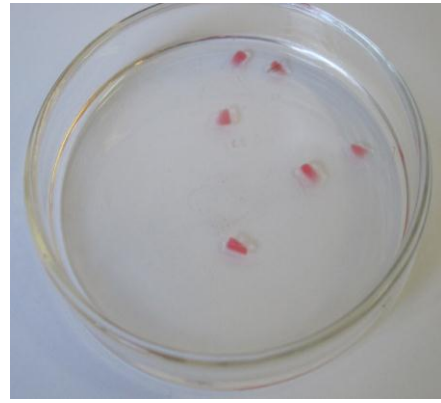


**Fig. 4 - FT-IR spectrum of the plastic threads (brush bristles) extracted in MEK solution**

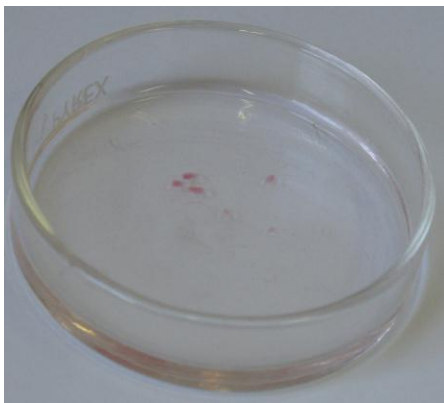


**Annex 1:**

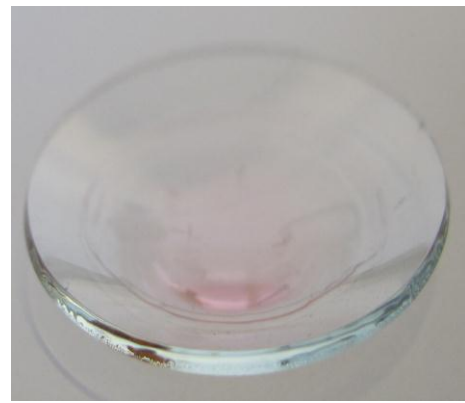
Steps of “red rubber” dissolution in MEK (laboratory test).



After 10'



After 30'



After 60'