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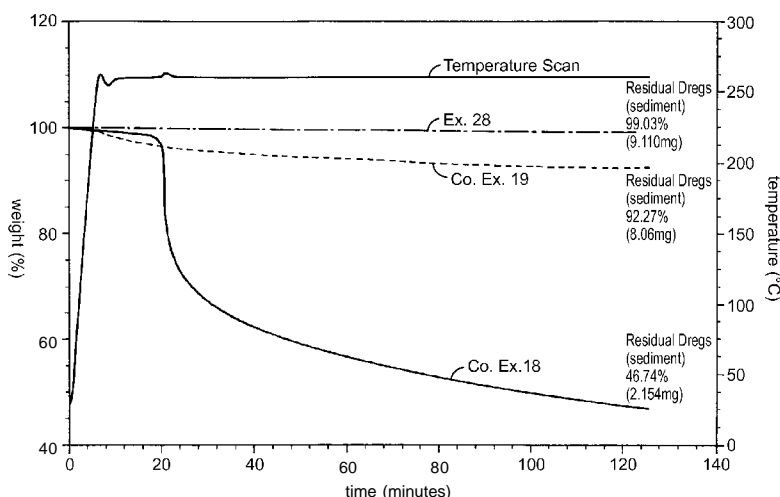


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: Described herein is a composition, article and method thereof, wherein the composition comprises (i) a fluoropolymer and (ii) an ionic liquid.

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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