



COST Action FP1006
“Bringing new functions to wood
through surface modification”



Influence of visible light to wood surface degradation and wood surface photostabilization

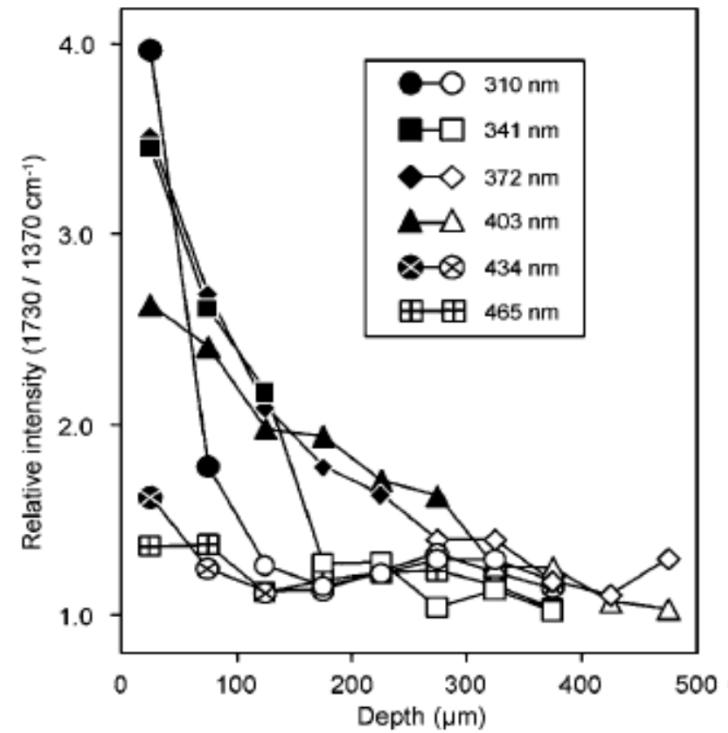
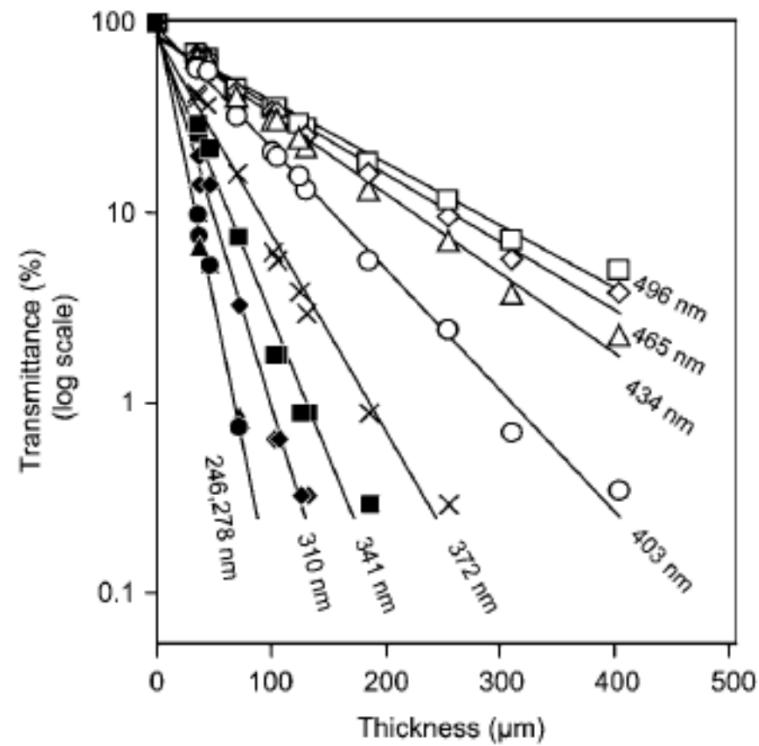
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Introduction

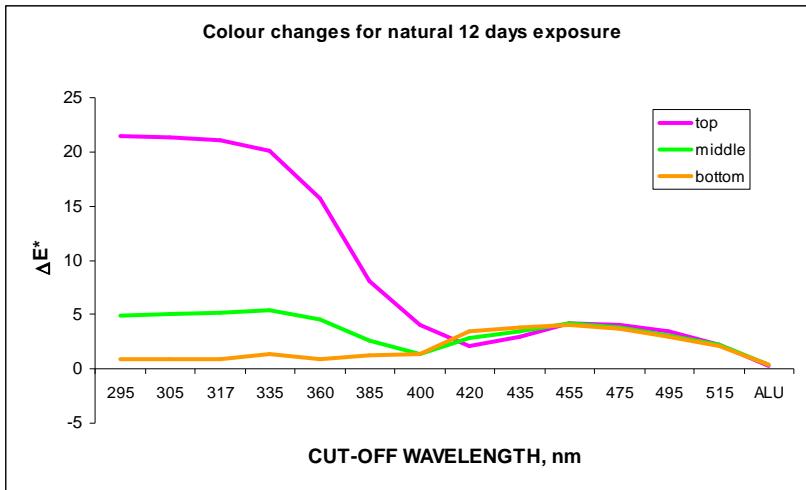
- sharp cut filter method
 - better reflects the conditions of natural exposure
 - interaction of the effects
 - greater size of specimens
 - optical, mechanical and chemical measurements
- spectrographic technique
 - better resolution
 - no synergistic or antagonistic interactions
 - no natural influences (temperature, humidity, liquid water)
 - small specimen

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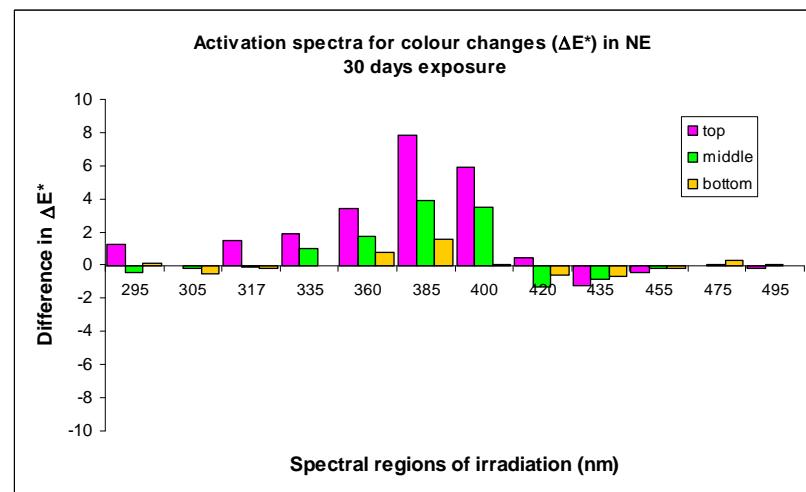
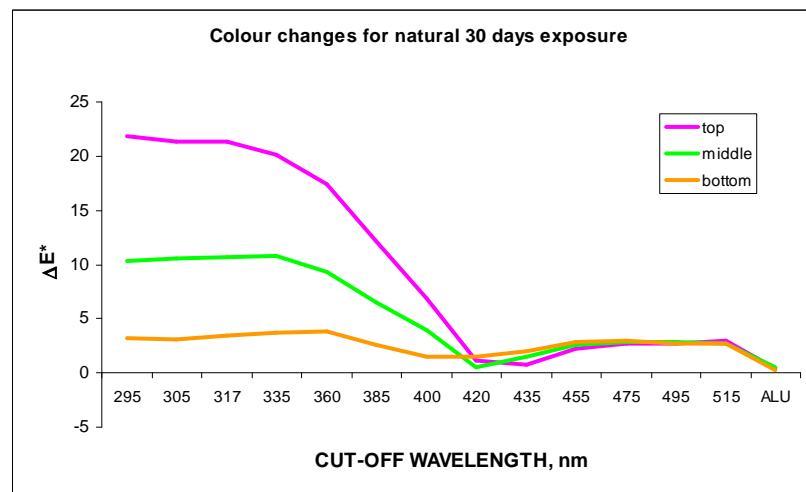
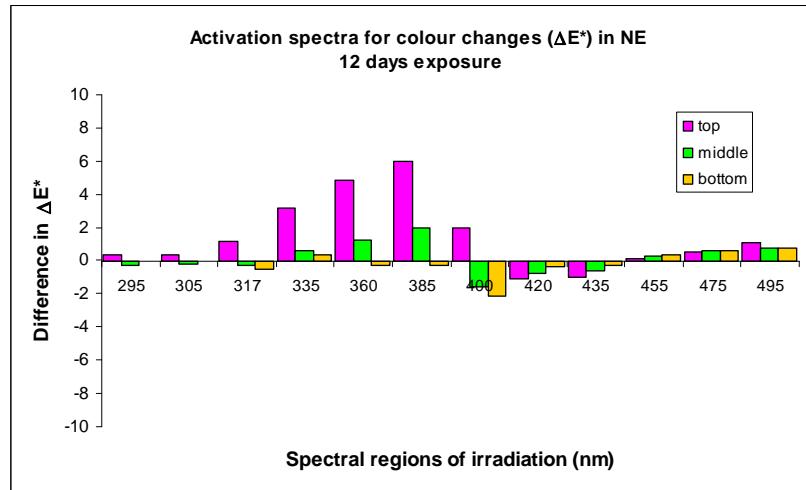


Natural exposure

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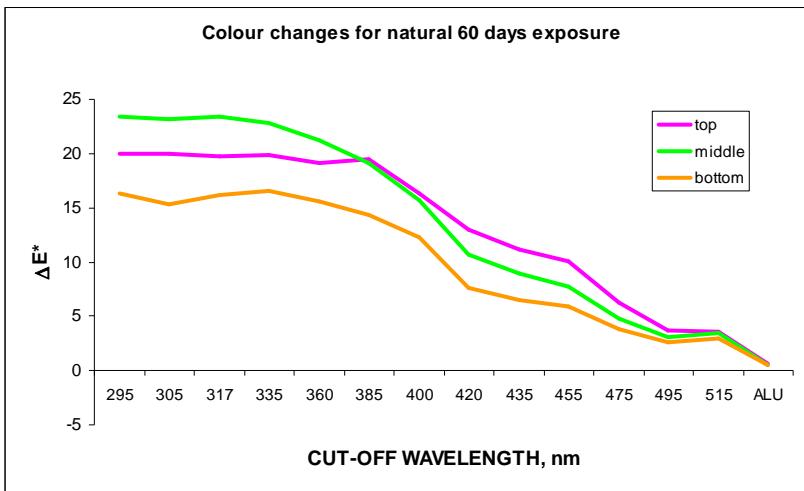


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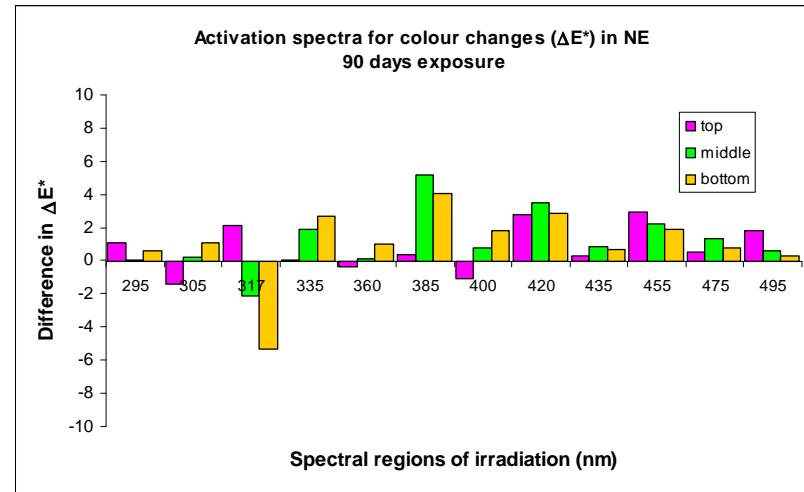
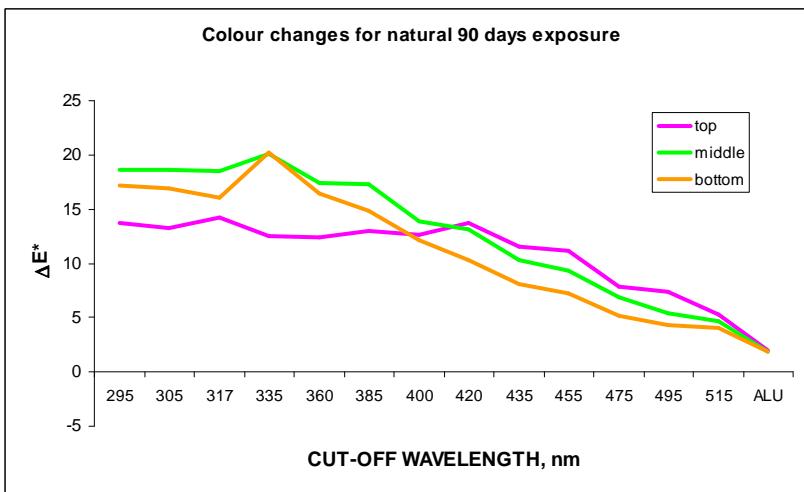
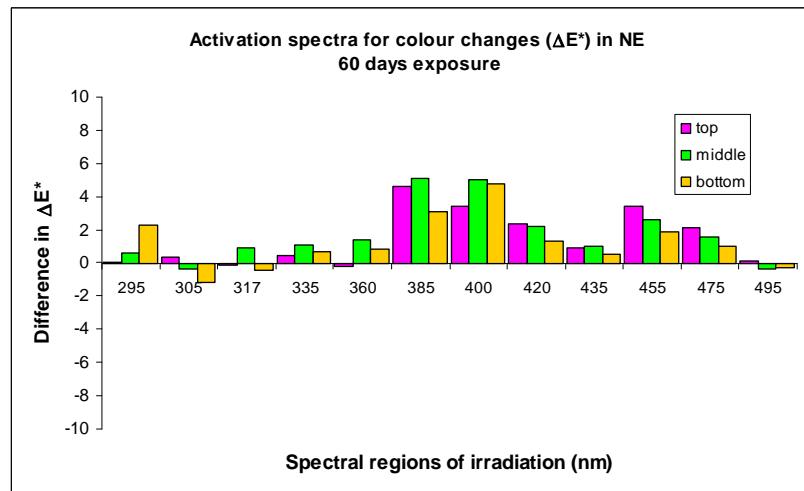


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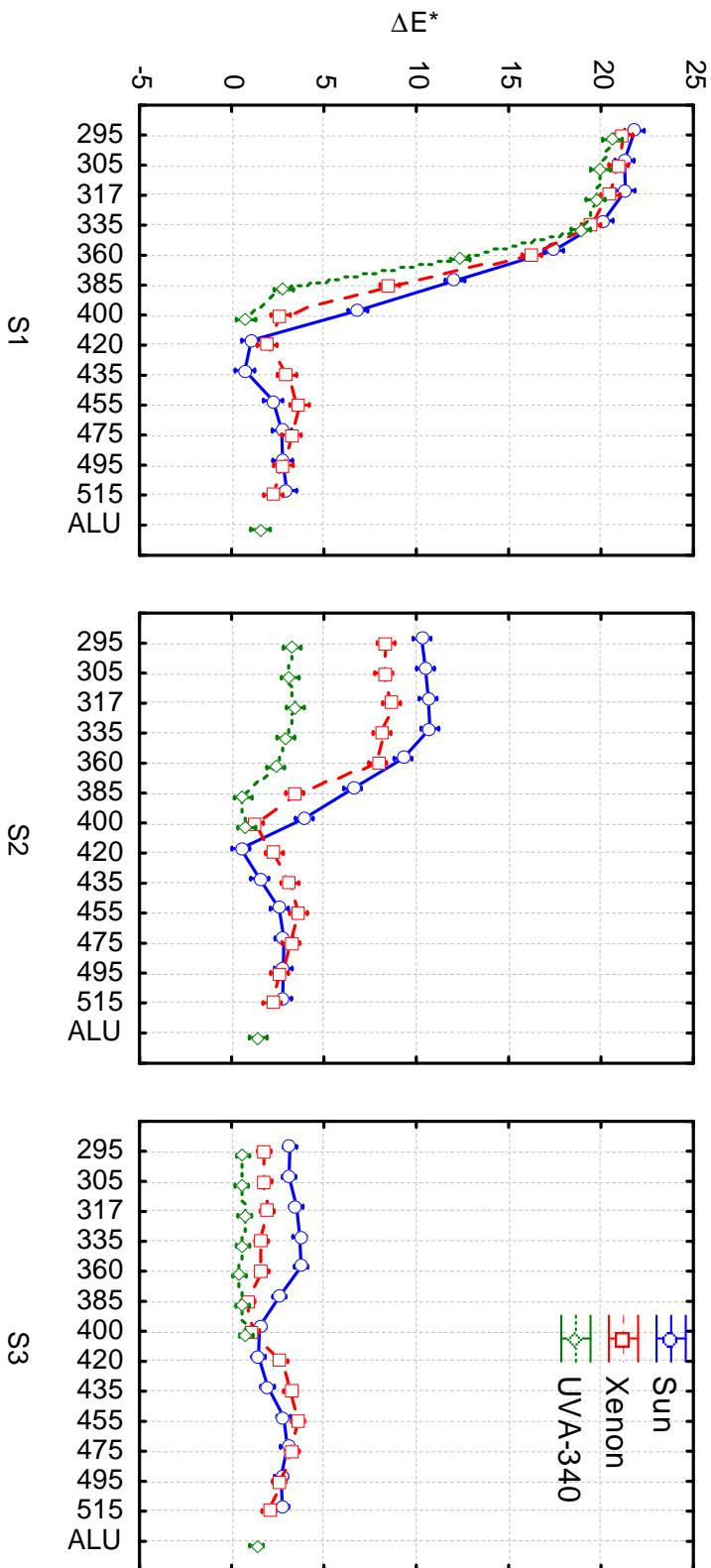


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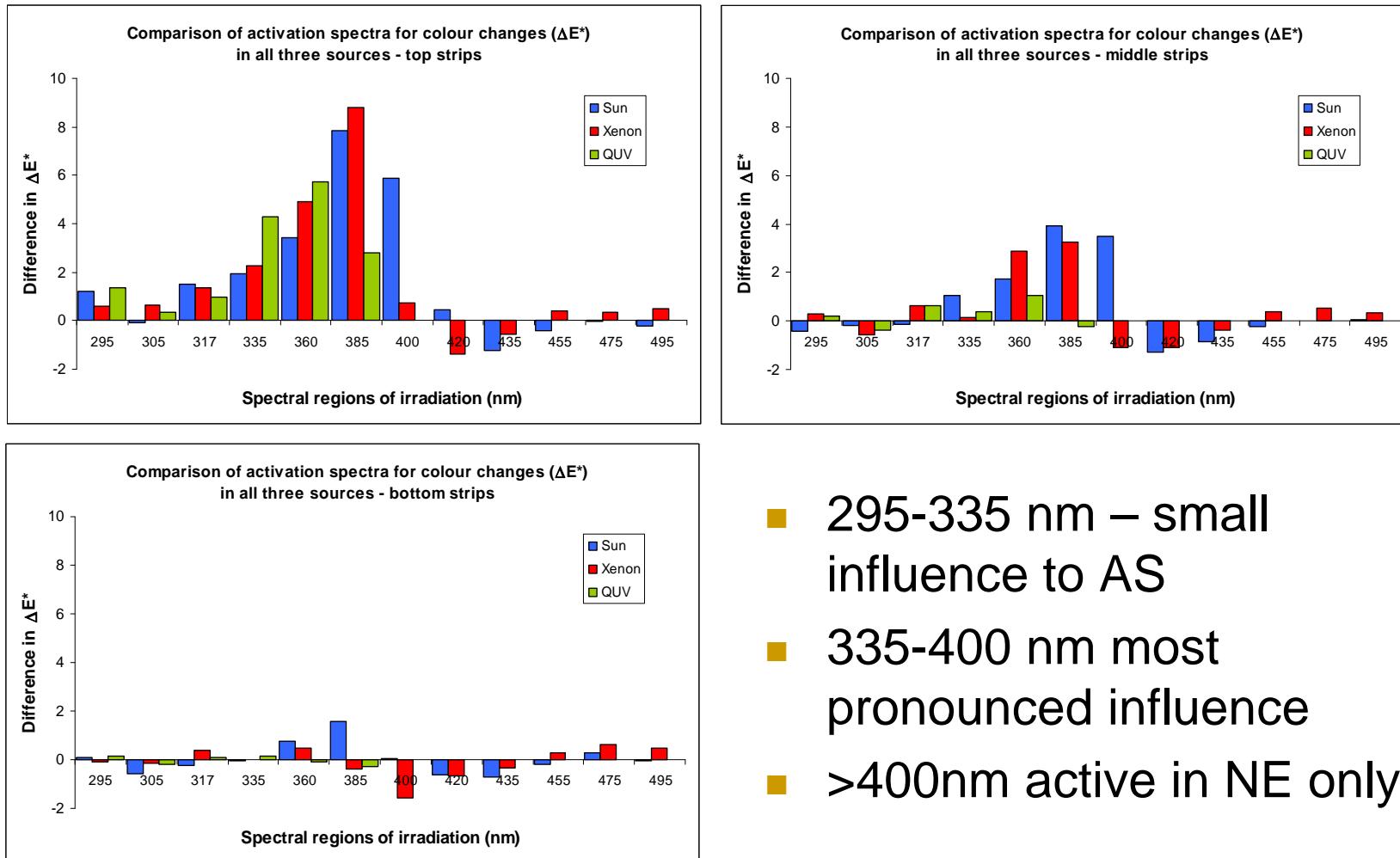


Colour changes

$$\Delta E^*_{\max} \approx 22$$

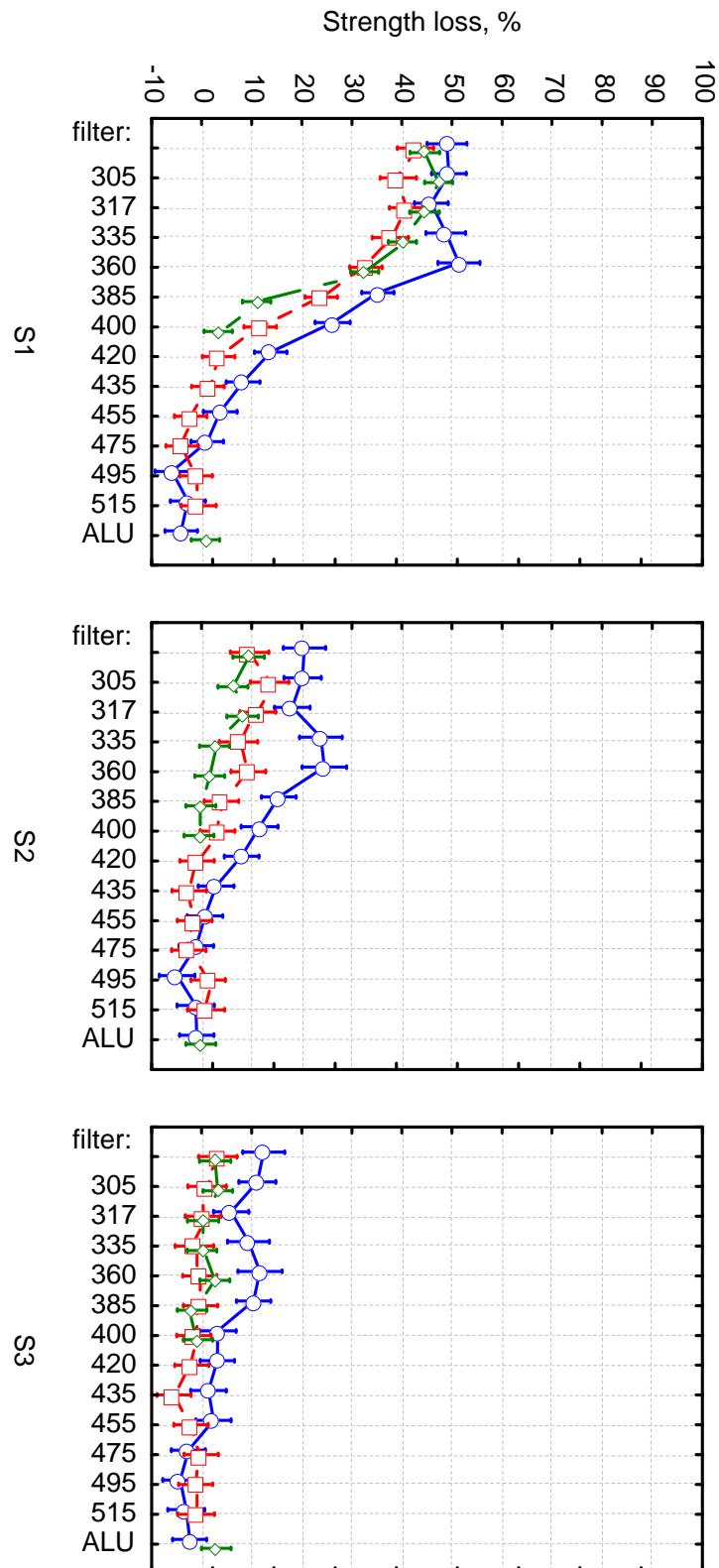


Activation spectra for colour changes

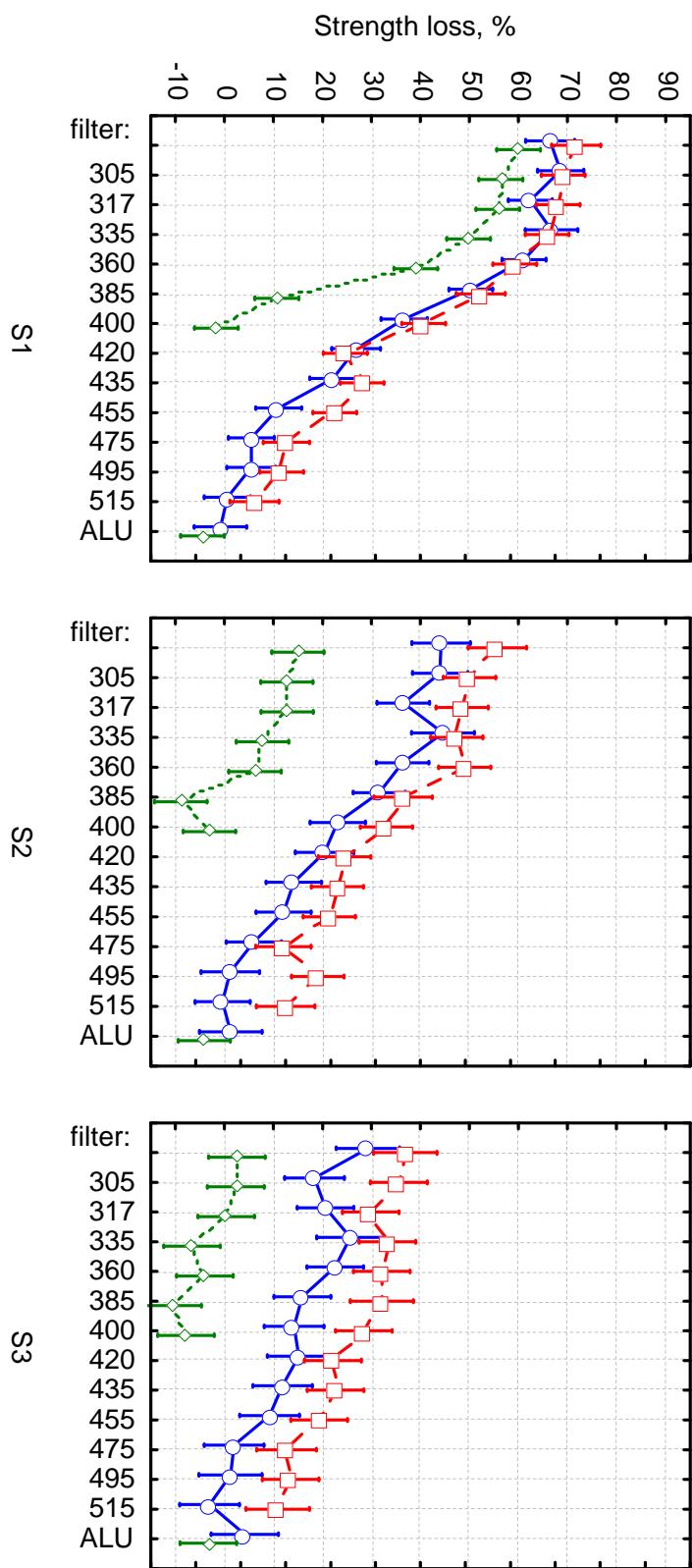


- 295-335 nm – small influence to AS
- 335-400 nm most pronounced influence
- >400nm active in NE only

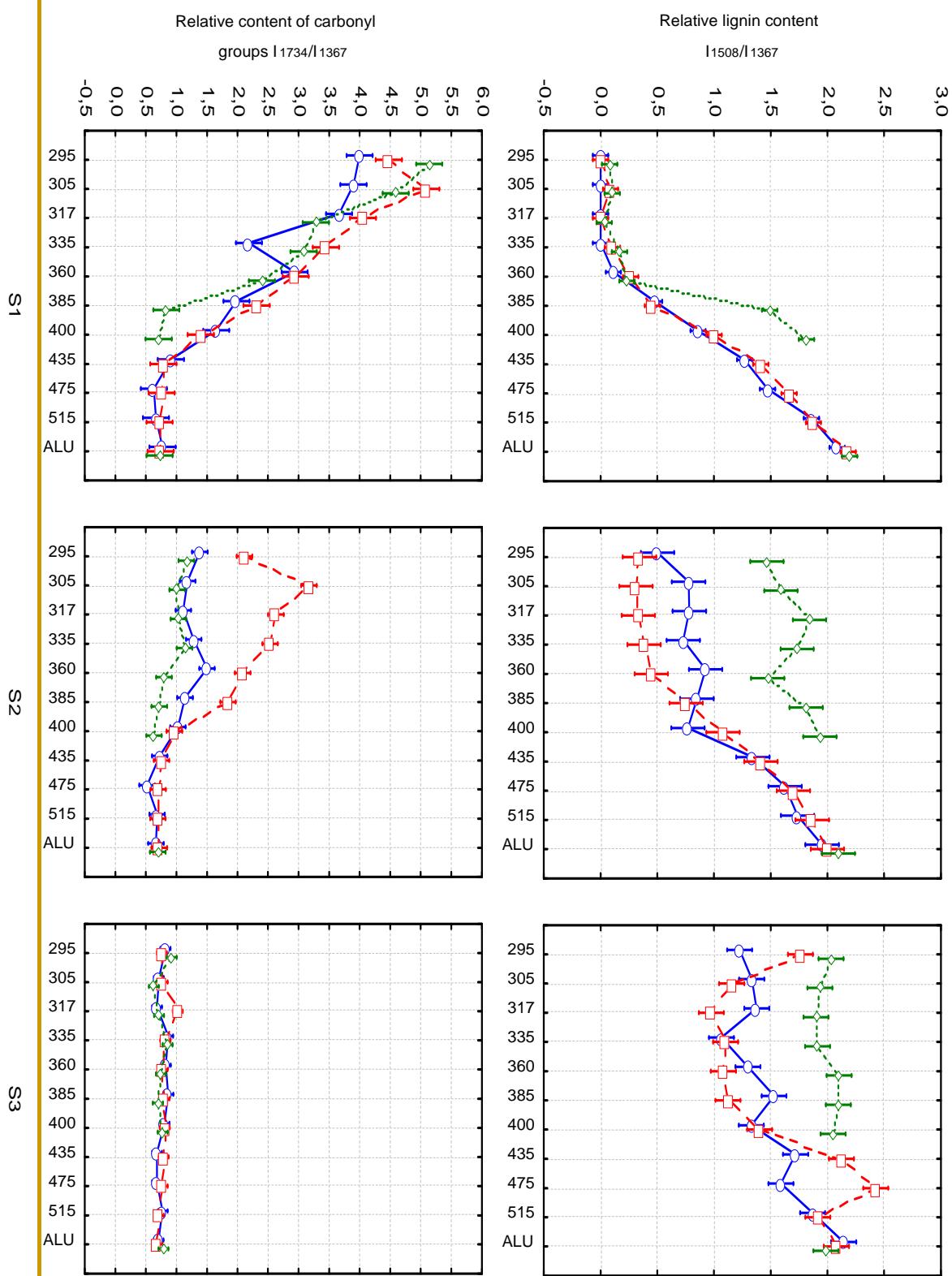
Micromechanical changes at 0 span



Micromechanical changes at 10 span



Chemical changes



(CONCLUSIONS)

- Discoloration was faster in early phases, finite span strength reached saturation in the middle; zero strength and chemical changes reached maxima at the ends of exposures.
 - Most influential wavelengths could be best identified in the moment of the maximum change.
 - Trend of colour changes and appearance of samples after exposure to xenon resembled to exposure out of doors.
 - Exposure to UV source caused intensive acceleration of changes of the top layer and very shallow profile of changes.
 - Wavelengths between 360 and 435 nm caused greatest proportion of damages, but visible light of wavelengths up to 510 nm contributed significantly to surface damages.
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