

## CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2011 PROJECT SUMMARY

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**Project Number** 

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## **Project Title**

# Eta Equals F Over A Divided by Delta Vx Over Delta z (aka Viscosity)

### Abstract

## **Objectives/Goals**

I chose to do a project on viscosity. My question was #Does temperature affect the viscosity of a liquid?# My hypothesis was that a hot fluid would be less viscous than a cold fluid.

#### Methods/Materials

For the experiment, I used water, shampoo, honey and olive oil at 3 different temperatures: 60 degrees, 80 degrees, 110 degrees. I poured each of the liquids at varying temperatures down a slope and timed the liquids movement from line 1 to line 2 on this slope.

#### Results

I found that the flow time of the fluids decreased from cold to hot proving my hypothesis correct.

#### **Conclusions/Discussion**

My Conclusion is that the temperature of a fluid is a factor in determining the fluids viscosity. The higher the temperature of a fluid the less viscous it is.

## **Summary Statement**

This project studies the affects of temperature on a fluids viscosity.

## **Help Received**

My mon helped to heat the fluids.