

Fig. 3-10 I-V characteristic for different concentration  
of ZnO-loaded (NR+NBR) rubber blends.

ZnO / (NR + NBR)

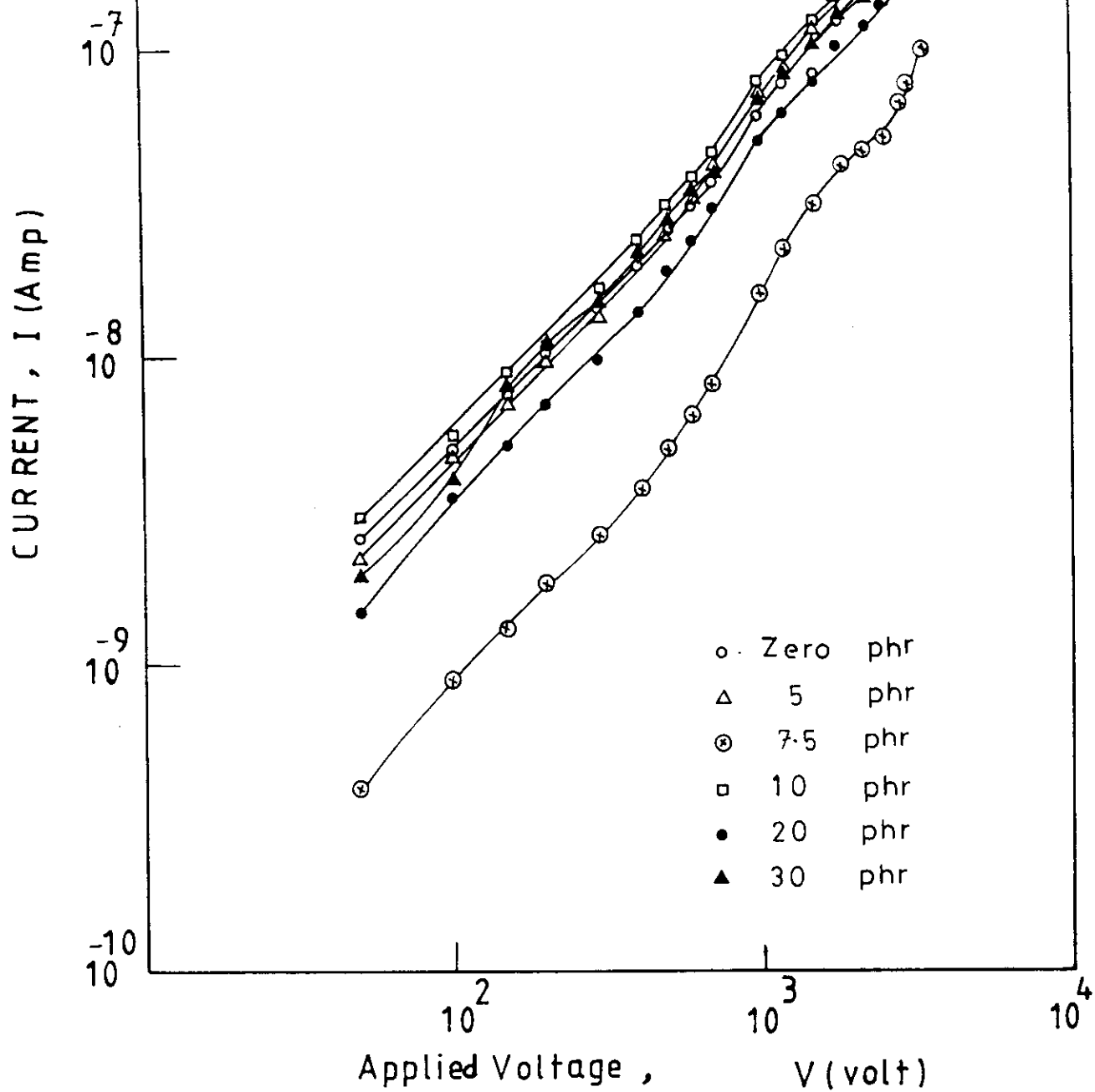


Figure (3-10)

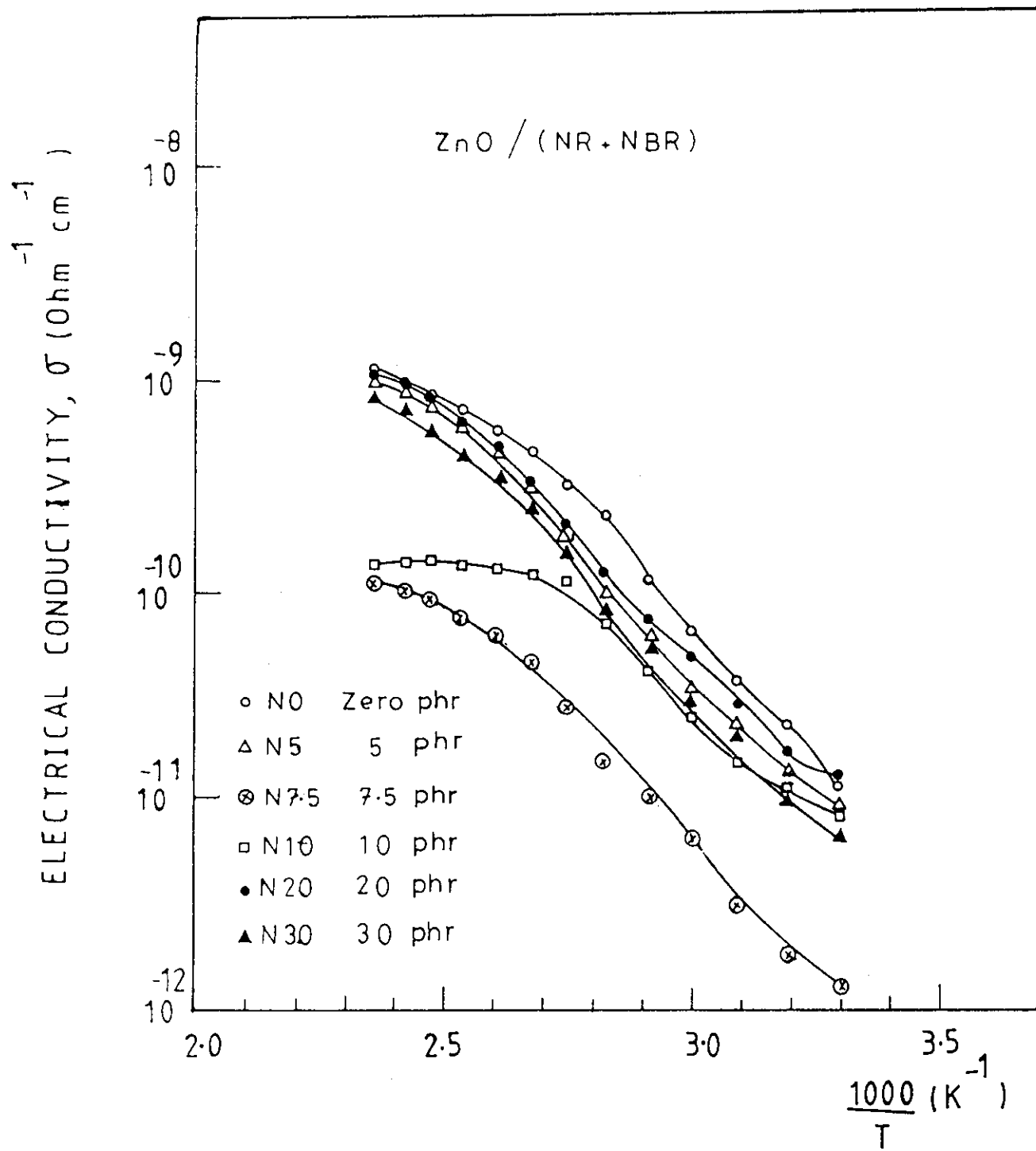


Figure (3-II)

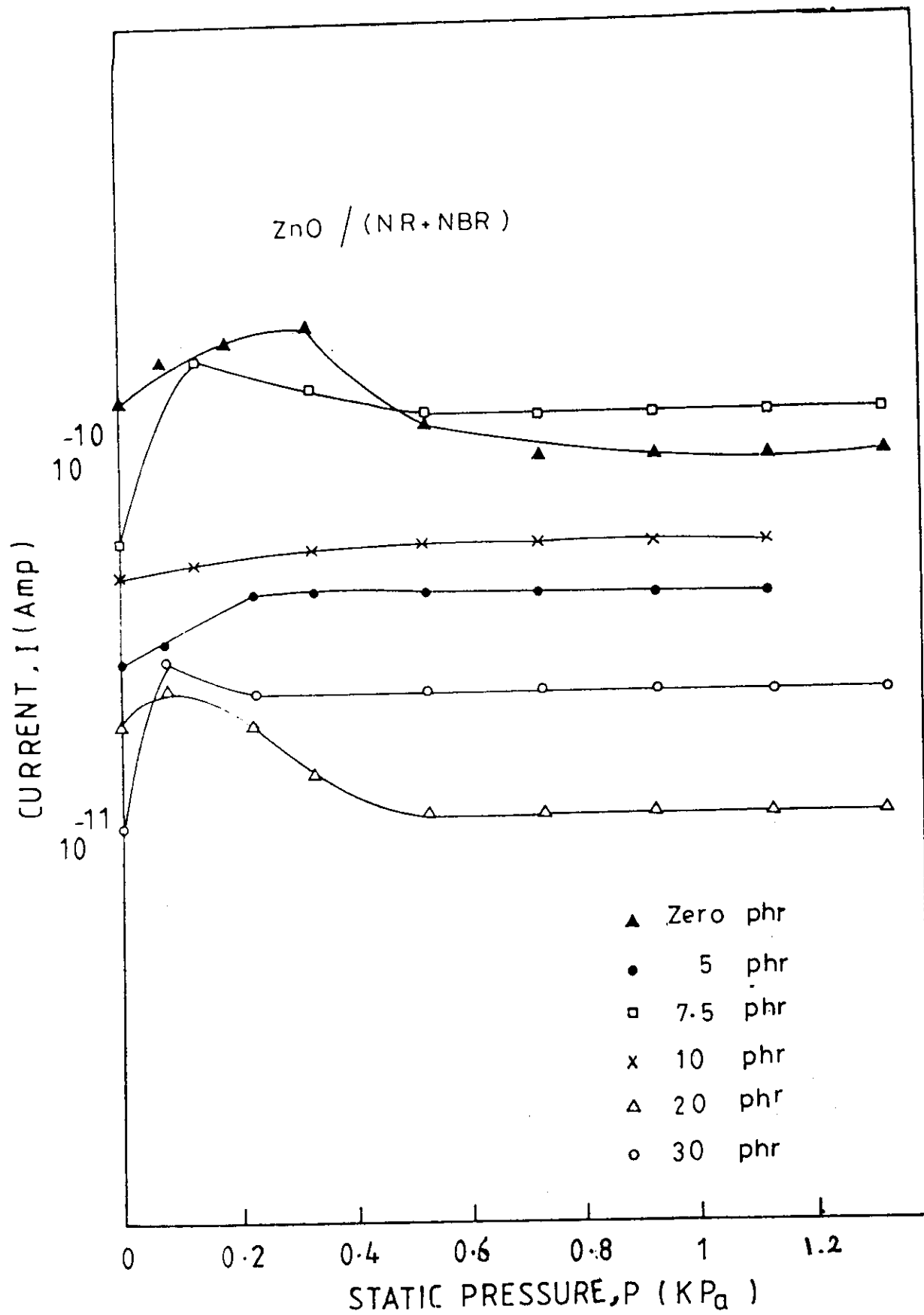


Figure (3-I2 )

the effect of ZnO concentration on the degree of swelling of (NR+NBR) rubber composites. Figure 3.13 shows the dependence of maximum swelling in kerosene of (CR+NBR) blends on the concentration of zinc oxide. It shows that the maximum swelling decreases with increasing the concentration of ZnO, and the characteristic concentration equals 14.4.

### 3.2.2 Effect of carbon black on electrical conductivity :

Figure 3.14 illustrates the temperature dependence of conductivity of samples containing different concentrations of FEF carbon black at constant concentration of zinc oxide (7.5 phr).

It was found that samples containing low concentration of black (20 phr) showed thermally activated behaviour. The increase of carbon black concentration shows negative temperature coefficient conductivity at higher concentration of black.

Figure 3.15 shows the dependence of maximum swelling on the concentration of FEF carbon black. It shows that the decrease of swelling with increasing of concentration of FEF carbon black and the characteristic concentration  $C$  equals 64.2. The effect of static pressure on the conduction current of the samples is shown in figure 3.16. It shows that at low concentration of FEF carbon black up to 40 phr, current decrease with increasing static pressure. This due to break down in the carbon black particles. For higher concentration of carbon black, conduction<sup>the</sup> current increases at low pressure<sup>region, while</sup> at high pressure<sup>region</sup>, the conduction current

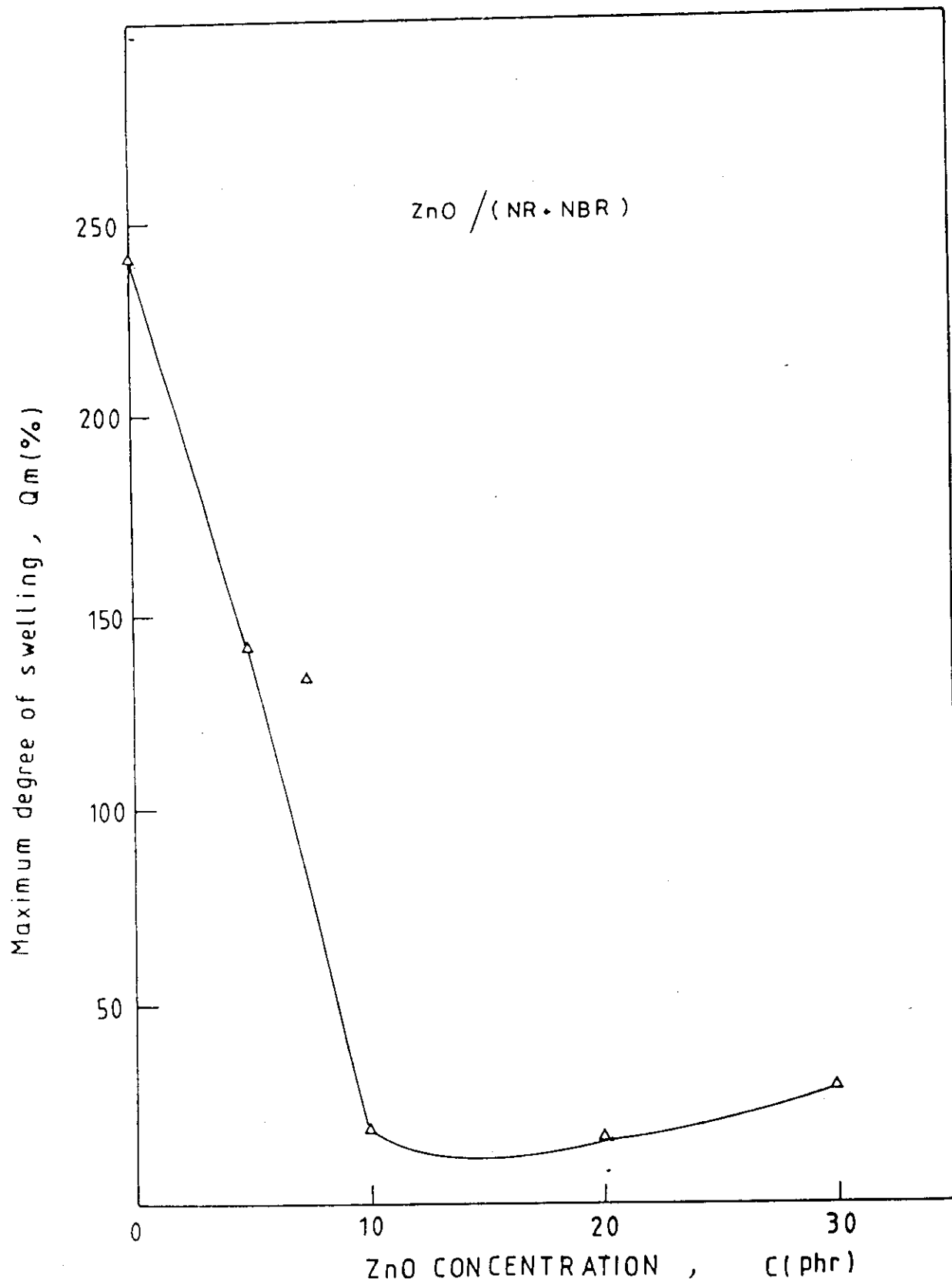
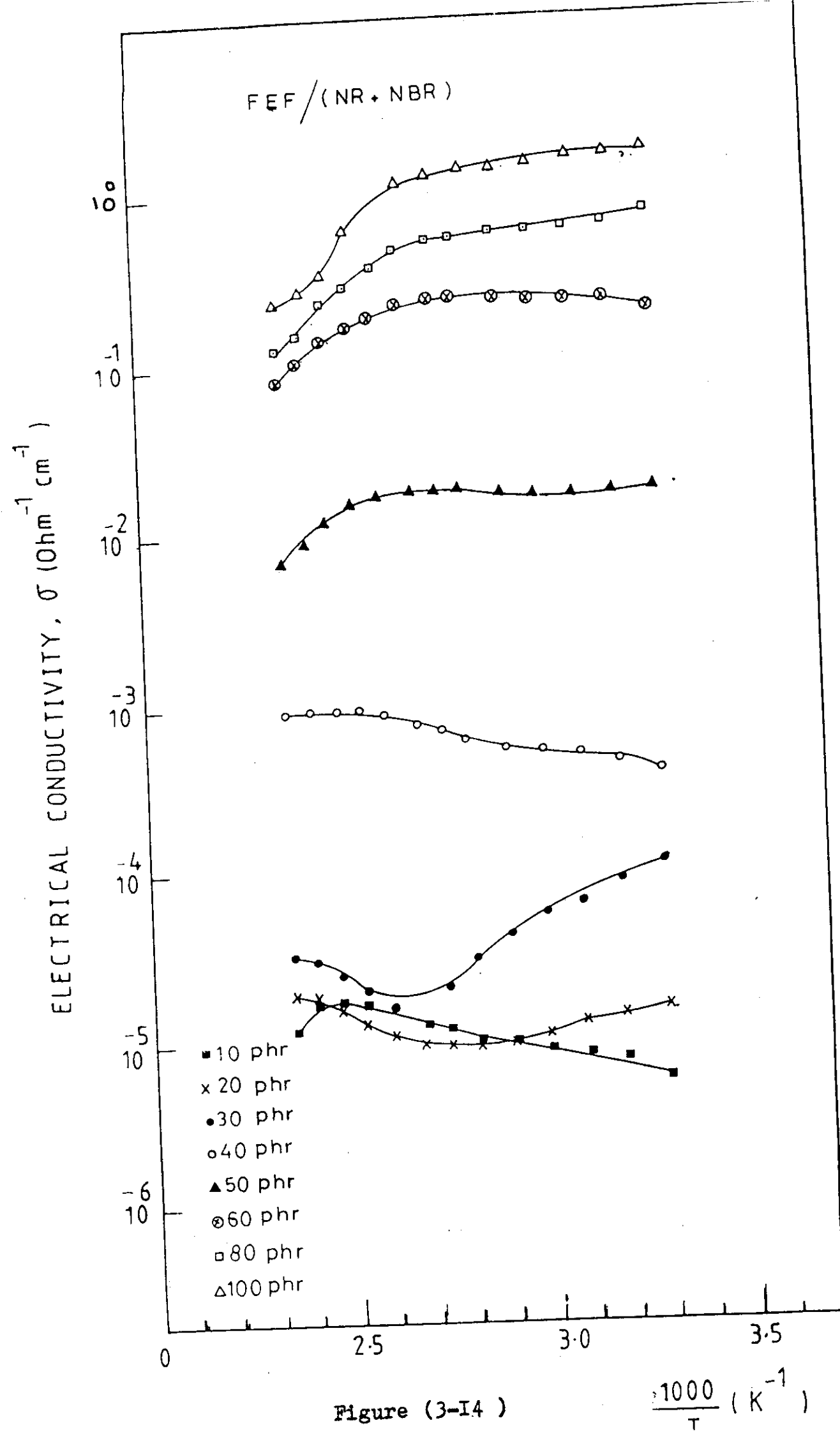


Figure (3-13)



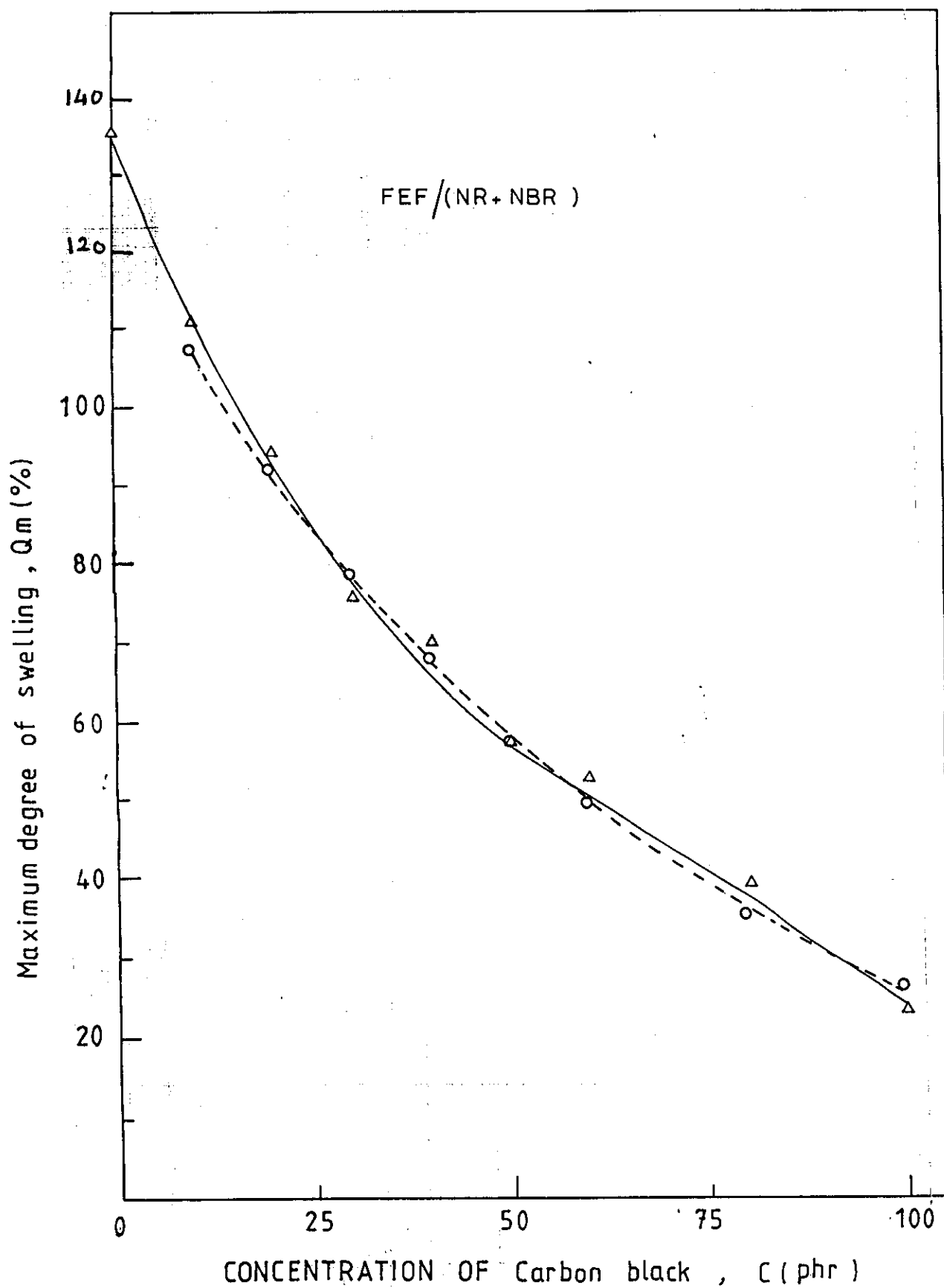


Figure ( 3-I5 )



is independent on pressure applied. The variation of pressure coefficient of conductivity with carbon black concentration is shown in table (3.5).

Table (3.5) Effect of pressure coefficient of conductivity on carbon black concentration.

Carbon black concen. phr	10	20	40	80	100
$\gamma \text{ (KPa)}^{-1}$	-1.5	-0.6	-1.14	1.49	2.93