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Technical Data Sheet

Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester MX731

Applications

- Blood contact and dialysis
- Blood tubes
- Fluid administration
- Medical devices
- Medical equipment
- Medical labware

Key Attributes

- Excellent clarity
- Excellent hydrolytic stability
- Fast cycle times
- Fast drying times
- Good chemical resistance
- Good color stability upon ETO sterilization
- Good color stability upon gamma sterilization
- Good heat resistance
- Good melt flowability
- Good toughness
- Improved processability over traditional copolyesters

Product Description

Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester MX731 is an amorphous product with excellent appearance and clarity. Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester MX731 is a high flow medical grade of Eastman Tritan™ that has viscosity reductions of 40-50% relative to Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester MX711. Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester MX731 contains a mold release derived from vegetable based sources. Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester MX731 has many outstanding features that include excellent toughness, hydrolytic stability, heat resistance, chemical resistance, and melt flowability. Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester MX731 has been formulated for medical devices. Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester MX731 has been tested for FDA/ISO 10993 and USP Class VI Biological Evaluation testing after Gamma and ETO sterilization.

Typical Properties

Property[a]	Test Method[b]	Typical Value, Units[c]
General Properties		
Specific Gravity	D 792	1.18
Mold Shrinkage	D 955	0.005-0.007 mm/mm (0.005-0.007 in./in.)
Mechanical Properties (ISO Method)		
Tensile Strength @ Yield	ISO 527	44 MPa
Tensile Strength @ Break	ISO 527	49 MPa
Elongation @ Yield	ISO 527	7 %
Elongation @ Break	ISO 527	154 %
Tensile Modulus	ISO 527	1604 MPa
Flexural Modulus	ISO 178	1502 MPa
Flexural Strength	ISO 178	60 MPa
Izod Impact Strength, Notched		
@ 23°C	ISO 180	83 kJ/m^2
@ -40°C	ISO 180	11 kJ/m^2
Mechanical Properties		
Tensile Stress @ Yield	D 638	43 MPa (6200 psi)
Tensile Stress @ Break	D 638	52 MPa (7500 psi)
Elongation @ Yield	D 638	7 %
Elongation @ Break	D 638	210 %
Tensile Modulus	D 638	1575 MPa (2.28×10^5 psi)
Flexural Modulus	D 790	1575 MPa (2.28×10^5 psi)

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Flexural Yield Strength	D 790	64 MPa (9300 psi)
Rockwell Hardness, R Scale	D 785	111
Izod Impact Strength, Notched		
@ 23°C (73°F)	D 256	860 J/m (16.1 ft·lbf/in.)
Impact Strength, Unnotched		
@ 23°C (73°F)	D 4812	NB
Optical Properties		
Total Transmittance	D 1003	91 %
Haze	D 1003	<1 %
Thermal Properties		
Deflection Temperature		
@ 0.455 MPa (66 psi)	D 648	94 °C (201 °F)
@ 1.82 MPa (264 psi)	D 648	81 °C (178 °F)
Typical Processing Conditions		
Drying Temperature		88 °C (190 °F)
Drying Time		4-6 hrs
Processing Melt Temperature		260-282 °C (500-540 °F)
Mold Temperature		38-66 °C (100-150 °F)

[a]*Unless noted otherwise, all tests are run at 23°C (73°F) and 50% relative humidity.*
[b]*Unless noted otherwise, the test method is ASTM.*
[c]*Units are in SI or US customary units.*

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