

Evonik to showcase CYROLITE® polymers for medical devices, expanding applications in blood-contacting area

- CYROLITE® multipolymer compounds are the most highly developed (PMMA) acrylic-based polymers for medical devices
- The material is resistant to alcohol and lipids and is also impact-resistant and transparent
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Evonik Industries will present CYROLITE® compounds at this year's ICMD in Shanghai, China. With a history of biocompatibility, processability, and toughness, the product becomes an excellent candidate for medical devices.

CYROLITE® is based on more than 40 years' experience in medical and diagnostic applications. Highly transparent and tough, these compounds are specially engineered to support the medical device industry. They are resistant to lipids, alcohol and the plasticizers found in PVC tubing. They can be sterilized with gamma rays, e-beam, and EtO gas and can be processed by all conventional thermoplastic processing methods. All CYROLITE® grades meet the requirements of USP classes 6 and 26, Tripartite, ISO 10993-1 and FDA and are free from Bisphenol A (BPA), Bisphenol S (BPS) and Di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP).

CYROLITE® is used in a wide variety of medical devices including luer locks, connectors, catheter accessories, Y-sites, filter housings and blood collection devices. This material is not recommended for outdoor or implantable applications. Evonik has also developed different variants of CYROLITE® multipolymer compounds for special applications: CYROLITE® Protect and CYROLITE® Protect 2 are microbe resistant (PMMA) acrylic-based compounds; CYROLITE® MD PMMA is suitable for diagnostic applications; Vu-Stat™ Y-20 for electro-static dissipative medical application.

“Evonik is continuing to devote R&D to our medical area.” says Gren Liu, General Manager for PMMA molding compounds Asia. At the end of 2016, Evonik announced a new finding that suggests CYROLITE® G-20 HIFLO® and Med 2 materials may have qualities that reduce the adhesion and/or activation of human blood platelets

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when compared to certain other grades of polymers, making them excellent candidates for blood-contacting application.

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