

International campaign launched for CYROLITE® high performance acrylic-based polymers in medical devices

- CYROLITE® high performance acrylic-based polymers meet the highest quality and safety requirements for medical and diagnostic applications
- International campaign to highlight the advantages and properties of the material to a larger audience
- Advertisements, specialist articles, and appearances at industry events are planned

Materials that are used in medical devices must comply with the highest quality and safety standards. Evonik's Performance Materials Segment is currently launching an international campaign to highlight the advantages of CYROLITE® high performance acrylic-based polymers for medical and diagnostic applications.

CYROLITE® can be sterilized using most commonly used sterilization methods. In addition, the products are free from hormone–related substances and plasticizers. This aspect is becoming more and more important, not only in medical devices, but also for the general public," says Maurice Biagini, medical commercial director at Performance Materials. "For this reason, we want to publicize these and other properties of our products and raise our profile among the key decision makers." The campaign is based on a mix of advertising themes, articles in the trade press, and appearances at important trade shows and specialist conferences such as the MD&M West, the world's largest annual medical technology event, which takes place in North America.

Sparking curiosity

Typical applications that are produced using CYROLITE® high performance acrylic-based polymers include disposable medical items, such as IV and catheter accessories, blood/plasma separators, chest drainage sets, and medical filter and device housings. Evonik has also developed customized variants of CYROLITE® polymers for special applications in diagnostics. "We have over 40 years of experience producing polymers for medical

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devices," says Siamak Djafarian, head of Molding Compounds in the Performance Materials Segment. "So we know that, especially in this industry, getting the technical details right is critical. In this campaign we have decided to show off our product advantages with some humor and emotion to arouse interest in the products." For example, in a hospital scene, a baby in a transparent heated bed gives the thumbs up to the reliable quality of CYROLITE®. Another motif illustrates the optical properties of the CYROLITE® polymers: A lab technician checks the content of a cuvette – but only at first glance. If you look more closely, you will notice that only the contents of the cuvette can be seen. This is because CYROLITE® has a very high optical clarity and transparency – the disposable cuvette offers a perfectly clear view of the inside. The five campaign motifs will appear worldwide in the trade press for medicine / medical devices and plastics.

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