Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA)

Methacrylic acid ester for manufacturing polymers and for use as a feedstock for syntheses

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\text{H}_2\text{C} & \text{C} &= \text{C} \text{O} - \text{CH}_2\text{C} & \text{O} \text{C} \text{H}_2 \\
\text{C} & \text{C} &= \text{O} \text{C} \text{H}_2
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CAS No.: 97-90-5
EINECS-No.: 202-617-2
Molar mass: 198.2 kg/kmol

**Molecular formula**

\[C_{10}H_{14}O_4\]

**Product specification**

- Assay (Gas chromatography) min. 97 %
- Total esters min 99 %
- Water content (ASTM E 203) max. 0.1 %
- Color on dispatch (APHA, ASTM D 1209) max. 50
- Standard stabilization (HPLC) 165 ± 75 ppm MEHQ

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**Other properties**

- **Solvent**: max. 0.5 %
- **Methacrylic acid (DIN EN ISO 2114)**: max. 0.05 %
- **Appearance**: colorless
- **Physical form**: clear liquid
- **Density at 25 °C**: 1.05 g/cm³
- **Melting point**: - 40 °C
- **Boiling point**: 240 °C
- **Flash point**: > 101.5 °C
- **Index of refraction, 20 °C**: 1.4540
- **Functionality, theoretical**: 2
- **Vapor pressure, 25 °C**: 1.33 hPa

**Applications**

Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) forms homopolymers and copolymers. Copolymers of Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) can be prepared with acrylic acid and its salts, amides and esters, and with methacrylates, acrylonitrile, maleic acid esters, vinyl acetate, vinyl chloride, vinylidene chloride, styrene, butadiene, unsaturated polyesters and drying oils, etc. Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) is also a very useful
Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) is used as a cross linker and modifier in vinyl, acrylic or ABS copolymers. Typical applications of Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) include: acrylic sheets and rods, fiber glass, synthetic marble, peroxide cure vulcanization, reinforced polyesters, and PVC resins. Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) is also used in ion exchange resins, glaze coatings, and for encapsulation of smokeless powders. Other applications of Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) include: photopolymer printing plates, paper processing aids, adhesives, leather finishing, and moisture barriers in packaging.

Features & Benefits
Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) is a hydrophilic difunctional methacrylate offering low viscosity, adhesion, flexibility, and high crosslink density. Incorporation of Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) into polymeric resins improves their mechanical properties such as impact strength and abrasion resistance.

Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) can be used to impart the following properties to polymers:

- Chemical resistance
- Hardness
- Adhesion
- High crosslink density
- Hardness/weatherability
- Flexibility
- Impact/abrasion resistance
- Heat/solvent resistance

Storage & Handling
In order to prevent polymerization Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) must always be stored under air, and never under inert gases. The presence of oxygen is required for the stabilizer to function effectively. For extended storage periods over 4 weeks it is advisable to replenish the dissolved oxygen content. The storage temperature must not exceed 35 °C to prevent premature quality degradation. If the above mentioned conditions are met a storage stability of one year can be expected upon delivery. In order to minimize the likelihood of overstorage, the storage procedure should strictly follow the “first-in-first out” principle.

The preferred construction material for tanks and pipes is stainless steel. Carbon steel is also acceptable, although the formation of rust may be a problem with product quality (color). Iron(III)-ions have been shown to be a weak polymerization initiator. If carbon steel is to be used, special procedures should be used to prepare the tank for use. Storage tanks, pumps and pipes should be earthed.

Safety
A Safety Data Sheet has been compiled for Ethylene Glycol Dimethacrylate (EGDMA) that contains up-to-date information on questions relevant to safety.

Note
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