

Evonik Industries expands the capacities for specialty methacrylates

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Evonik Industries, one of the world's leading suppliers of methacrylate chemistry, is expanding the production capacity of methacrylate specialty esters in the USA and Germany, to meet the increasing demand of the market. At the production site in Mobile, Alabama, the capacity of methacrylate specialty esters will effectively be doubled. For the location in Worms, Germany, the expansions are planned during this calendar year.

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Specialty esters based on methacrylic chemistry are an important building block for many modern polymer formulations. They impart beneficial properties not only in coatings formulations but in adhesives and other unique applications as well.

Evonik Industries produces and markets special methacrylic monomers, MMA, GMAA, n- and i-BMA and hydroxy methacrylates under the trademark VISIOMER®.

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More than 80 years of experience with methacrylates and almost 35 years in isophorone chemicals form the basis for the top position of Evonik Industries as a global supplier to the resin industry. Evonik's raw materials are indispensable for all innovative and environmentally compatible technologies.

VISIOMER® methacrylate monomers from Evonik allow realization of innovative solutions for a large number of coating systems and technologies. Crosslinking can be initiated by light, auto-oxidation, or a condensation reaction. The newly developed **VISIOMER® BPMA** and **VISIOMER® MUMA** are custom designed for systems of this kind.

Evonik's extensive range of aliphatic and cycloaliphatic diisocyanates marketed under the **VESTANAT®** brand name always offers the optimal solution for non-yellowing urethane resins such as waterborne polyurethane dispersions (PUD) and radiation curable urethane acrylates.

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Under the **VESTAMIN®** brand name, Evonik offers aliphatic diamines that form the basis for epoxy resin curing agents for industrial floor coatings, marine paints, and construction chemicals.

Functional silanes of the extensive **Dynasylan®** product range are ideal as tools for the design and synthesis of polysiloxanes, silicone resins, and systems for sol-gel type processes.

About Evonik

Evonik is the creative industrial group from Germany. In our core business of specialty chemicals, we are a global leader. In addition, it has energy and residential real estate operations. Our performance is shaped by creativity, specialization, reliability and continuous self-renewal.

Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world. In fiscal 2010 more than 34,000 employees generated sales of around €13.3 billion and an operating profit (EBITDA) of about €2.4 billion.

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