

**Technical Data Sheet** 

# XL-PEARL<sup>™</sup> 60

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## Description

XL-PEarl 60 blend is for the manufacture of dry silane masterbatches based on porous polymer carriers. XL-PEarl 60 blend is a crosslinking system designed for crosslinking high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe using the XL-PEarl blend one-step process.

It is only available for licensees of the XL-PEarl blend technology.

#### Key Features and Benefits

• Pipes manufactured using the XL-PEarl blend technology have excellent mechanical properties, outstanding chemical resistance and may be used at temperatures up to 110°C (230°F)

• Special stabilizers prevent premature polymerization of the grafting agent and provide excellent aging properties of crosslinked polyethylene

• High quality surface finish of pipes results from use of the XL-PEarl blend system

#### **Typical Physical Properties**

| Appearance                                   | Clear liquid       |
|--|--------------------|
| Color  | Colorless to straw |
| Viscosity, mPa s (cP), @ 23°C                | 2.5                |
| Specific Gravity, g/cm <sup>3</sup> , @25°C  | 0.969              |
| Flash Point, Tag Closed Cup, ASTM D56-79, °C | 23                 |

## **Potential Applications**

Manufacturing of XL-PEarl 60 blend masterbatches for the crosslinking of high-density

polyethylene (HDPE) pipes for under-floor heating, hot water pipes for radiators and potable water distribution.

#### Patent Status

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#### Product Safety, Handling and Storage

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#### **Processing Recommendations**

#### Performance

High-density polyethylene pipes crosslinked with XL-PEarl 60 blend masterbatches, a suitable stabilizer masterbatch (such as A/O 7017-FT-50 (PolyOne), REX-Stab T-59 (Polyrex), PLP 2020 STMB (Plascom), PE A/O 02012 (Vibatan) etc.) can meet following specifications:

- DIN 16892 (Rohre aus vernetztem Polyethylen)
- EN (155 WI 023)

Application-Potable Water Pipe:

| Extruder           | Troester 45mm/25L/D           |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Base Polymer       | Lupolen 5031L                 |
| Barrel Temperature | 170 / 180 / 190 / 200 / 210°C |

|   |              | 3.4% XL-PEarl 60 Blend<br>Masterbatch PE 50 + 5% | 3.6% XL-PEarl 60 Blend<br>Masterbatch PE 50 + 5% |
|---|--------------|--|--|
| Extruder<br>Parameter RPM<br>Melt Temperature<br>Surface Finish | °C           | 10<br>223<br>Smooth                              | 10<br>224<br>Smooth                              |
| Gel Content   | DIN<br>16892 | 72%  | 77%  |

#### **Recommended Resins Are:**

| Type of HDPE Resin                   | Recommended | BestPerformance |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Melt index (190°C/2.16 kg), g/10 min | 0.2 -8      | 6 -8            |
| Density, g/cm <sup>3</sup>           | 0.945-0.955 | 0.950           |

# Commercially Available HDPE Resins:

| HDPE          | From   | MFI | Density |
|---------------|--------|-----|---------|
| Lupolen 5031L | Elenac | 5-7 | 0.952   |
| Eltex A4040   | Solvay | 4   | 0.944   |
| Eltex B4002   | Solvay | 0.3 | 0.949   |

### Limitations

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