

# PARALOID™ EXL 2650A Impact Modifier

For Engineering Resins Applications

- Regional Product Availability
- North America
- Europe
- Asia-Pacific

Introduction PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier has a core shell structure and is based on butadiene rubber. It has a well defined rubber particle size that is not influenced by compounding conditions.

PARALOID EXL 2650A Impact Modifier demonstrates effective impact modification in various engineering resins such as PC and PBT. PARALOID EXL 2650A Impact Modifier also performs well in PC blends such as PC/PBT and in glass filled systems. The versatility of PARALOID EXL 2650A Impact Modifier allows formulators to tailor blends to help meet specific application needs.

Low Temperature Impact Modification The low temperature toughness of polycarbonate can be significantly improved with relatively low addition levels of PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier.

Izod Impact Strength on 3.2 mm Specimens (PC)



The brittle ductile transition temperature of PBT and PC/PBT blends can be substantially reduced with increasing levels of PARALOID EXL 2650A Impact Modifier, as demonstrated by the following graphs.

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-30

-20

-40



-10

0

Temperature (°C)

10

20

30

# Impact Strength in Thick Sections

PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier is particularly efficient at improving the impact performance in thick section polycarbonate which is normally notch sensitive and brittle.

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Performance Enhancement in PC, PC/ABS and Glass Filled Compounds

## Izod Impact Strength on 6.4 mm Specimens (PC)



## Impact Strength after Ageing

By adding PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier to polycarbonate, a significant improvement of the impact resistance after ageing can be obtained. Depending on the polycarbonate grade, an addition of 5–8% leads to ductility after 100–150 hours at 140°C.

#### Impact strength of PC after heat exposure at 140°C



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Performance Enhancement in PC, PC/ABS and Glass Filled Compounds (Continued)

## Compatibilizing Effect of PARALOID™ EXL 2650A Impact Modifier

When added to PC/ABS blends PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier acts as a compatibilizer, avoiding phase separation and surface defects. Besides that, the addition of PARALOID EXL 2650A Impact Modifier results in an improved low temperature impact, increased elongation at break and better weld line strength.



As can be seen in the above TEM, the core shell particles of PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier position themselves at the interface between the PC and the SAN of the ABS phase and acts as a compatibilizer. This increases the interaction between the phases, leading to a blend with an interesting balance of properties.

Property	Umodified PC/ABS	PC/ABS with 6% PARALOID EXL 2650A
Impact strength at 23°C (J/m) at –10°C (J/m) at –20°C (J/m)	450 150 145	430 310 275
<b>Tensile</b> E-modulus (Mpa) Elongation at break (%)	2560 18	2495 23
Weld strength Elongation at break (%)	2.8	11.1
Vicat B (5 kg) (°C)	109.0	107.8
Gloss 60°	91.9	94

## Impact Strength of Glass filled Compounds

The addition of PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier can help improve the impact of glass filled polycarbonate. This improvement in impact strength is most significant when the level of reinforcing material is in the 10–15 wt% range.



Compounding PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier is particularly easy to disperse in engineering resins and can be successfully compounded using twin screw extruders. Adequate mixing zones are needed depending on the nature of the blend, more specifically with glass fiber reinforced systems.

Injection Moulding PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier only slightly influences the rheology of technopolymers. The magnitude of the melt flow reduction depends on the employed impact modifier addition level. Minor modifications have to be made on the injection moulding parameters versus those used for the neat matrices.

## Melt flow index on various impact modifed systems with PARALOID<sup>™</sup> EXL 2650A Impact Modifier



PhysicalAppearance:DescriptionTotal residual volatiles:

Free flowing white powder

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