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### Description

Improvement in mineral-filled elastomer properties, including modulus, tensile and tear strength, heat buildup, abrasion resistance, resilience, compression set and cure time may be achieved with Silquest A-189 silane (gamma-mercaptopropyltrimethoxysilane). Silquest A-189 silane chemically bonds reinforcing minerals such as silica, clay, mica and talc to the polymer matrix. This silane is especially useful in sulfur-cured and metal oxide-cured elastomers. It can be used as a pretreatment on minerals or added at the time of compounding.

### Typical Physical Properties

Physical Form	Clear liquid
Color	Light straw
Molecular Weight, g/mole	196.4
Specific Gravity, 25/25°C	1.057
Refractive Index, nD 25°C	1.440
Boiling Point at 40 mm Hg, °C (°F)	93 (199)
Flash Point, Tag Closed Cup, ASTM D 93, °C (°F)	88 (190)

### Potential Applications

Improved or equal performance in low-rolling resistance, silicareinforced tread compounds can be achieved at lower silane loading levels when Silquest A-189 silane is substituted for commonly used polysulfide-type silanes. Mineral-reinforced articles such as shoe soles, rubber rollers and wheels, white sidewalls, and wire and cable insulation also can be produced with lower silane loadings. Reductions in cure accelerator systems and increased sulfur-donor concentrations may be necessary when Silquest A-189 silane is substituted for slower cure-rate polysulfide-type silanes. Silquest A-189 silane is soluble in methanol, ethanol, isopropanol, mineral spirits, acetone, benzene, toluene, xylene, and in water when suitable hydrolysis procedures are followed.

### Patent Status

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## Processing Recommendations

Representative performance properties of Silquest A-189 silane in elastomer systems are shown in Tables 1 and 2.

**Table 1: Silica-Filled NR<sup>(1)</sup>**

Performance Properties <sup>(2)</sup>	Silquest A-189 Silane PHR (PHF)		
	None	0.4 (0.8)	1.0 (2.0)
Hardness, Shore "A"	64	65	65
Elongation, %	700	680	640
300% Modulus, psi (MPa)	820 (5.65)	1160 (8.00)	1400 (9.65)
Tensile Strength, psi (MPa)	4360 (30.1)	4610 (31.8)	4820 (33.2)
"C" Tear, ppi	395	495	540
Heat Buildup at 100°C (212°F) $\Delta T$ , °C (°F)	18 (65)	6 (42)	-7 (19)
Permanent Set, %	29.4	11.3	8.4
NBS Abrasion Index	103	133	144

(1) 100 Smoked sheet, 50 precipitated silica, sulfur-cured

(2) Cured 20 min at 149°C (300°F)

**Table 2: Clay-Filled CR (Chloroprene Rubber) Formulation<sup>(1)</sup>**

Performance Properties <sup>(2)</sup>	Silquest A-189 Silane PHR (PHF)		
	None	0.15 (0.15)	0.5 (0.5)
Hardness, Shore "A"	59	61	63
Elongation, %	780	680	300
300% Modulus, psi (MPa)	610 (4.20)	1220 (8.41)	1980 (13.6)
Tensile Strength, psi (MPa)	1920 (13.2)	1800 (12.4)	1980 (13.6)
"C" Tear, ppi	210	290	240
Heat Buildup at 100°C (212°F) IT, °C (°F)	21 (69)	14 (57)	11 (51)
Permanent Set, %	4.0	1.2	1.2
NBS Abrasion Index	37	44	76

(1) Chloroprene rubber, 100 calcined clay, metal oxide-cured

(2) Cured 40 min at 153°C (307°F)

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