

Product Information

VESTAKEEP® i2 G

IMPLANTABLE GRADE POLYETHER ETHER KETONE RESIN FOR PERMANENT IMPLANTS



VESTAKEEP® i2 G is a natural colored, standard viscosity polyether ether ketone (PEEK) that is especially designed for long term implantable medical devices. This grade is often used for injection molding processing technologies due to its good flowability.

Proven Biocompatibility of VESTAKEEP® i-Grades

The extra high purity and extended quality measures make VESTAKEEP® i-Grade materials an excellent choice for permanent implants.

For VESTAKEEP® i2 G, biocompatibility has been tested following ISO 10993-1 recommendations for permanent tissue/bone contact and USP Class VI.

VESTAKEEP® i2 G complies ASTM F2026 "Standard Specification for Polyetheretherketone (PEEK) Polymers for Surgical Implant Applications".

A summary of biocompatibility test results is available upon request.

Biocompatibility tests available for i2 G

STANDARD	DESCRIPTION
ISO 10993-12	GC/MS Fingerprint of extractable organic substances
USP CLASS VI	Acute Systemic Toxicity Intracutaneous Reactivity Muscle Implantation
ISO 10993-5	Cytotoxicity
ISO 10993-10	Irritation: Intracutaneous Reactivity
ISO 10993-10	Sensitization: Maximization test according to Magnusson and Kligman
ISO 10993-11	Subchronic Systemic Toxicity
ISO 10993-3	Genotoxicity: Ames Test
ISO 10993-3	Genotoxicity: Chromosome Aberration test
ISO 10993-3	Genotoxicity: Mouse Lymphoma test
ISO 10993-6	Test for local effects after Implantation in bone (90 days)

Processing of VESTAKEEP® i-Grades

VESTAKEEP® i2 G can be processed by common melt processing techniques like injection molding and extrusion.

We recommend a melt temperature between 360°C and 380°C during the injection molding process. The mold temperature should be within a range of 160°C to 200°C, preferably 180°C.

Our technical experts would appreciate to give you support regarding the special requirements for the processing of VESTAKEEP® i2 G.

Delivery of VESTAKEEP® i-Grades

VESTAKEEP® i2 G is supplied as cylindrical pellets in 10 kg boxes with moisture-proof polyethylene liners.

Key Features

Industrial Sector
Medical Devices

Processing
Injection molding, Extrusion

Delivery form
Pellets, Granules

Optics
Opaque

Conformity
Biocompatibility, Medical application

Additives
Unfilled

Mechanical properties ISO	dry	Unit	Test Standard
Tensile modulus	537000	psi	ISO 527
Tensile strength	14200	psi	ISO 527
Yield stress	14200	psi	ISO 527
Yield strain	5	%	ISO 527
Stress at break	10700	psi	ISO 527
Nominal strain at break, tB	20	%	ISO 527
Charpy impact strength, +23°C	N	ftlb/in ²	ISO 179/1eU
Charpy impact strength, -30°C	N	ftlb/in ²	ISO 179/1eU
Charpy notched impact strength, +23°C	2.85	ftlb/in ²	ISO 179/1eA
Type of failure	C	-	-
Charpy notched impact strength, -30°C	2.85	ftlb/in ²	ISO 179/1eA
Type of failure	C	-	-
Flexural modulus, 23°C	522000	psi	ISO 178
Flexural stress at conv. deflection, 23°C	17000	psi	ISO 178

Thermal properties	dry	Unit	Test Standard
Melting temperature	648	°F	ISO 11357-1/-3
Glass transition temperature, DSC	302	°F	ISO 11357-1/-2

Temp. of deflection under load A, 1.80 MPa	302	°F	ISO 75-1/-2
Temp. of deflection under load B, 0.45 MPa	401	°F	ISO 75-1/-2
Vicat softening temperature A, 10 N, 50 K/h	635	°F	ISO 306
Vicat softening temperature B, 50 N, 50 K/h	590	°F	ISO 306
Coeff. of linear therm. expansion, 23°C to 55 °C, parallel	3.33E-5	in/in/°F	ISO 11359-1/-2
Melting Temperature	648	°F	ASTM D 3418

Physical properties	dry	Unit	Test Standard
Density	1.3	g/cm ³	ISO 1183
Water absorption	0.4	%	Sim. to ISO 62
Humidity absorption	0.12	%	Sim. to ISO 62
Density	1.3	g/cm ³	ASTM D 792

Burning Behav.	dry	Unit	Test Standard
Burnin behav. at thickness h	V-0	class	IEC 60695-11-10
Thickness tested	0.1260	in	-
Oxygen index	38	%	ISO 4589-1/-2
Limiting Oxygen Index	38	%	ASTM D 2863

Electrical properties	dry	Unit	Test Standard
Volume resistivity, V	>1E13	Ohm*m	IEC 62631-3-1
Relative permittivity, 100Hz	2.8	-	IEC 62631-2-1
Relative permittivity, 1MHz	2.8	-	IEC 62631-2-1
Dissipation factor, 1MHz	50	E-4	IEC 62631-2-1
Dielectric strength, AC, S20/P50	406	V/mil	Sim. to IEC 60243-1
CTI, test solution A, 50 drops value	200	-	IEC 60112
Assessment of the insulation group	III a	-	DIN EN 60664-1

Rheological properties	dry	Unit	Test Standard
Melt volume-flow rate, MVR	68	cm ³ /10min	ISO 1133
Temperature	380	°C	-
Load	5	kg	-
Molding shrinkage, parallel	1.1	%	ISO 294-4, 2577
Molding shrinkage, normal	1.1	%	ISO 294-4, 2577
Mold temperature	356	°F	-
Melt temperature	680	°F	-

Test specimen production	dry	Unit	Test Standard
Injection Molding, melt temperature	716	°F	ISO 294
Injection Molding, mold temperature	356	°F	ISO 294
Injection Molding, injection velocity	7.87	in/s	ISO 294

Characteristics

Special Characteristics

Semi-crystalline

Regulatory

US Pharmacopeia Class VI conformity

Color

Natural color

Chemical Resistance

Acid resistance, Alkali resistance, Solvent resistance, Grease resistance, Hydrolytically stable, Oil resistance, Oxidation resistance, General chemical resistance