

Product Information

VESTAMID® Care ML16

LOW VISCOSITY POLYAMIDE 12 FOR MEDICAL APPLICATION



VESTAMID® Care ML16 is resistant to body fluids and toxicologically safe.

Typical application areas for filled VESTAMID Care ML grades include catheters, housing parts, monitoring and imaging devices and durable medical equipment.

The advantages at a glance:

- High flexibility & elasticity
- Good rebound properties
- High impact resistance
- Excellent dimensional stability
- High chemical resistance
- Easy processability & colorability
- Plasticizer-free
- Gamma and EtO sterilization resistant
- Tough and resilient

Biocompatibility of VESTAMID® Care ML

Biocompatibility was tested following ISO10993-1 recommendations for a surface medical device with up to 30 days body contact.

The material fulfills the requirements of USP<88> class VI.

Tests were performed by independent, certified laboratories.

Biocompatibility tests for VESTAMID® Care:

Standard	Description
ASTM F756-08	Hemocompatibility
ISO 10993-5	Cytotoxicity
ISO 10993-10	Sensitization: Maximization test according to Magnusson and Kligman
ISO 10993-10	Irritation: Intracutaneous Reactivity
ISO 10993-11	Acute Systemic Toxicity
USP Class VI	Acute Systemic Toxicity Intracutaneous Reactivity Muscle Implantation

Key Features

Industrial Sector

Sustainable, Medical Devices

Sustainability

Sustainable electricity

Processing

Injection molding

Delivery form

Pellets, Granules

Optics

Translucent

Conformity

Food contact, Biocompatibility, Medical application

Additives

Unfilled

LCA-values	dry	Unit	Test Standard
LCA name of certificate	VESTAMID® L	-	ISO 14040, 14044
LCA certifier	TÜV Rheinland	-	ISO 14040, 14044
Blue water consumption	14.4	kg	ISO 14040, 14044
Global Warming Potential incl. bio. C incl. LUC	5.8	kg CO ₂ eq./kg	ISO 14040, 14044
Global Warming Potential excl. bio. C incl. LUC	5.8	kg CO ₂ eq./kg	ISO 14040, 14044
Land use (ReCiPe 2016)	0	Annual crop eq. y	ISO 14040, 14044
GWP savings as compared to 2023 reference	-1.3	kg CO ₂ eq./kg	ISO 14040, 14044

Mechanical properties ISO	dry / cond	Unit	Test Standard
Tensile modulus	203000 / -	psi	ISO 527
Tensile strength	6240 / -	psi	ISO 527
Yield stress	6240 / -	psi	ISO 527
Yield strain	5 / -	%	ISO 527
Stress at 50% strain	4500 / -	psi	ISO 527
Stress at break	7980 / -	psi	ISO 527
Nominal strain at break, tB	350 / -	%	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 impact strength, -40°C	N / -	ftlb/in ²	ISO 179/1eU

Charpy notched impact strength, +23°C	1.9 / -	ftlb/in ²	ISO 179/1eA
Type of failure	C / -	-	-
Charpy notched impact strength, -30°C	2.38 / -	ftlb/in ²	ISO 179/1eA
Type of failure	C / -	-	-
Charpy notched impact strength, -40°C	2.38 / -	ftlb/in ²	ISO 179/1eA
Type of failure	C / -	-	-
Flexural modulus, 23°C	174000 / -	psi	ISO 178
Flexural stress at conv. deflection, 23°C	6380 / -	psi	ISO 178
Flexural strength, 23°C	8120 / -	psi	ISO 178
Flexural strain at flexural strength, 23°C	6.5 / -	%	ISO 178
Flexural stress at break, 23°C	N / -	psi	ISO 178
Flexural strain at break, 23°C	N / -	%	ISO 178

Thermal properties	dry / cond	Unit	Test Standard
Melting temperature	352 / *	°F	ISO 11357-1/-3
Glass transition temperature, DSC	113 / *	°F	ISO 11357-1/-2
Temp. of deflection under load A, 1.80 MPa	122 / *	°F	ISO 75-1/-2
Temp. of deflection under load B, 0.45 MPa	230 / *	°F	ISO 75-1/-2
Vicat softening temperature A, 10 N, 50 K/h	338 / *	°F	ISO 306
Vicat softening temperature B, 50 N, 50 K/h	284 / *	°F	ISO 306
Coeff. of linear therm. expansion, 23°C to 55 °C, parallel	8.33E-5 / *	in/in/°F	ISO 11359-1/-2
Melting Temperature	352	°F	ASTM D 3418

Physical properties	dry / cond	Unit	Test Standard
Density	1.02 / -	g/cm ³	ISO 1183
Water absorption	1.5 / *	%	Sim. to ISO 62
Humidity absorption	0.7 / *	%	Sim. to ISO 62
Shore D hardness	75^[b] / -	-	ISO 7619-1

Density	1.02	g/cm ³	ASTM D 792
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b: 3 seconds

Burning Behav.	dry / cond	Unit	Test Standard
Burning behav. at 1.5 mm nom. thickn.	HB / *	class	IEC 60695-11-10
Thickness tested	0.0630 / *	in	-
Burnin behav. at thickness h	HB / *	class	IEC 60695-11-10
Thickness tested	0.1260 / *	in	-

Electrical properties	dry / cond	Unit	Test Standard
Volume resistivity, V	1E11 / -	Ohm*m	IEC 62631-3-1
Relative permittivity, 100Hz	3.1 / -	-	IEC 62631-2-1
Relative permittivity, 1MHz	2.9 / -	-	IEC 62631-2-1
Dissipation factor, 100Hz	400 / -	E-4	IEC 62631-2-1
Dissipation factor, 1MHz	300 / -	E-4	IEC 62631-2-1
Dielectric strength, AC, S20/P50	660 / -	V/mil	Sim. to IEC 60243-1

Rheological properties	dry / cond	Unit	Test Standard
Melt volume-flow rate, MVR	46 / *	cm ³ /10min	ISO 1133
Temperature	210 / *	°C	-
Load	2.16 / *	kg	-
Molding shrinkage, parallel	0.9 / *	%	ISO 294-4, 2577
Molding shrinkage, normal	1.1 / *	%	ISO 294-4, 2577
Mold temperature	140 / *	°F	-
Melt temperature	392 / *	°F	-

Test specimen production	dry	Unit	Test Standard
Injection Molding, melt temperature	392	°F	ISO 294
Injection Molding, mold temperature	140	°F	ISO 294

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Injection Molding, injection velocity

7.87

in/s

ISO 294

Characteristics

Applications

Encapsulation, Tube and hose

Special Characteristics

Low viscosity

Features

Low coefficient of friction

Regulatory

US Pharmacopeia Class VI conformity

Color

Natural color

Chemical Resistance

General chemical resistance