

# UTEC 5040

Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene

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Message:

Description:  
UTEC5040 is an Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene with a molecular weight about 10 times higher than High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) resins. This extremely high molecular weight yields several unique properties to this polymer such as high abrasion resistance and impact strength and low coefficient of friction, what makes it a self-lubricating material.

Applications:  
Applications which require high wear resistance - technical parts RAM extruded and compression molded sheets, rods and profiles.

| General Information |                             |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Features            | Good Abrasion Resistance    |
|                     | Good Impact Resistance      |
|                     | Good Wear Resistance        |
|                     | Low Friction                |
|                     | Self Lubricating            |
|                     | Ultra High Molecular Weight |
| Uses                | Engineering Parts           |
|                     | Profiles                    |
|                     | Rods                        |
|                     | Sheet                       |
| Agency Ratings      | FDA 21 CFR 177.1520         |
| Processing Method   | Compression Molding         |
|                     | Ram Extrusion               |

| Physical                           | Nominal Value | Unit              | Test Method         |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Specific Gravity                   | 0.925         | g/cm <sup>3</sup> | ASTM D792           |
| Apparent Density                   | 0.45          | g/cm <sup>3</sup> | ASTM D1895          |
| Water Absorption (24 hr)           | 0.010         | %                 | ASTM D570           |
| Average Molecular Weight           | 6000000       | g/mol             | Internal Method     |
| Average Particle Size <sup>1</sup> | 190           | µm                | ASTM D1921          |
| Intrinsic Viscosity                | 24            | dl/g              | ASTM D4020          |
| Specific Melt Enthalpy             | 34.0          | cal/g             | ASTM D3418          |
| Abrasion Index                     |               |                   | Internal Method     |
| -- <sup>2</sup>                    | 21            |                   |                     |
| -- <sup>3</sup>                    | 82            |                   |                     |
| Hardness                           | Nominal Value | Unit              | Test Method         |
| Durometer Hardness                 |               |                   | ASTM D2240, ISO 868 |
| Shore D                            | 64            |                   |                     |

| Shore D, 15 sec                             | 59  |                   |                                    |
|---|---|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Mechanical                                  | Nominal Value   | Unit              | Test Method                        |
| Tensile Strength                            |   |                   | ASTM D638, ISO 527-2               |
| Yield                                       | > 17.0  | MPa               |                                    |
| Break                                       | > 30.0  | MPa               |                                    |
| Tensile Elongation                          |   |                   |                                    |
| Break                                       | > 300   | %                 | ASTM D638                          |
| Break                                       | > 350   | %                 | ISO 527-2                          |
| Coefficient of Friction                     |   |                   | ASTM D1894                         |
| Dynamic                                     | 0.090   |                   |                                    |
| Static                                      | 0.10  |                   |                                    |
| Impact                                      | Nominal Value   | Unit              | Test Method                        |
| Charpy Notched Impact Strength <sup>4</sup> | > 100   | kJ/m <sup>2</sup> | ISO 11542-2                        |
| Notched Izod Impact                         | No Break  |                   | ASTM D256                          |
| Thermal                                     | Nominal Value   | Unit              | Test Method                        |
| Deflection Temperature Under Load           |   |                   | ASTM D648                          |
| 0.45 MPa, Unannealed                        | 79.0  | °C                |                                    |
| 1.8 MPa, Unannealed                         | 48.0  | °C                |                                    |
| Vicat Softening Temperature                 | 128   | °C                | ISO 306/A, ASTM D1525 <sup>5</sup> |
| Peak Melting Temperature                    | 133   | °C                | ASTM D3418                         |
| CLTE - Flow (-30 to 100°C)                  | 1.5E-4  | cm/cm/°C          | ASTM D696                          |
| Specific Heat                               | 2010  | J/kg/°C           | ASTM E1269                         |
| Thermal Conductivity (23°C)                 | 0.40  | W/m/K             | ASTM C177                          |
| Electrical                                  | Nominal Value   | Unit              | Test Method                        |
| Surface Resistivity                         | > 1.0E+12   | ohms              | ASTM D257                          |
| Volume Resistivity                          | > 1.0E+14   | ohms · cm         | ASTM D257                          |
| Dielectric Strength                         | 90  | kV/mm             | ASTM D149                          |
| Dielectric Constant (1 kHz)                 | 2.30  |                   | ASTM D150                          |
| NOTE  |   |                   |                                    |
| 1.  | Dp50  |                   |                                    |
| 2.  | reference Stainless Steel SAE1020<br>= 100  |                   |                                    |
| 3.  | reference ISO 15527 = 100   |                   |                                    |
| 4.  | Determined with double-notched<br>specimens (14° v-notch on both<br>sides) in accordance with ISO<br>11542-2. |                   |                                    |
| 5.  | Loading 1 (10 N)  |                   |                                    |

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