



ACUMER™ 1050

Scale Inhibitor for Sugar Process

Description

ACUMER™ 1050 is a low molecular weight (LMW) polyacrylic acid polymer that can be used as a scale inhibitor during sugar processing. The product has U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) clearance for food contact use.

Features and Benefits

- High performance scale inhibition for use in sugar evaporators.
- Wide range of activity on calcium oxalate, calcium sulfate and calcium carbonate scales.
- FDA cleared under regulation 21 CFR 173.73 (sodium polyacrylate).
- Intrinsically Kosher (manufactured with no raw materials of animal origin).
- Shows a higher degree of solubility in presence of calcium ions than other higher molecular weight polymers.

Typical Physical Properties

(These properties are typical but do not constitute specifications).

Property	Typical Values
Molecular Weight (average)	2000-2300
pH (partially neutralized)	3.2-4.0
Solids, %	47-49
Density @ 25°C, lb/gal (g/cc)	10.3 (1.22)
Brookfield Viscosity, mPa.s/cps @ 25°C (#2 @ 30 rpm)	100-400
Color, APHA	100 max
Appearance	colorless to straw colored, clear to slightly hazy homogeneous solution, FFVFM*

*free from visible foreign matter

Anti-Precipitation Performance

ACUMER™ 1050 polymer is a general purpose scale inhibitor, as it is effective to inhibit precipitation of calcium carbonate, calcium oxalate, calcium sulfate, barium sulfate, and other low solubility salts.

Sugar Processing Application

Heavy scaling occurs all along the evaporation line where the thin juice must be concentrated before crystallization. Without any treatment scaling is responsible for progressively dropping the production capacity and increasing the manufacturing costs and the demand of energy. At the final stage the sugar mill must be shut down for cleaning.

Scale inhibitors are necessary to inhibit the deposition taking place in the different evaporators' bodies. ACUMER™ 1050 is particularly recommended in beets and cane sugar mills whenever the scale formed is mainly based on calcium carbonate, calcium oxalate and calcium sulfate. Optimization of the treatment with ACUMER 1050 is generally reached by injecting the product in different injection points of the evaporation bodies.

Performance Data

Scale	Test Conditions	% Inhibition ACUMER 1050	No Polymer
Calcium Oxalate	100 mg/l CaC ₂ O ₄ 50°C/18 hrs	40	0
Calcium Sulfate	5450 mg/l CaSO ₄ 50°C/72 hrs	100	0
Calcium Carbonate	850 mg/l CaCO ₃ 70°C/16 hrs	29	0

Handling Precautions	Before using this product, consult the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)/Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for details on product hazards, recommended handling precautions and product storage.
Storage	Store products in tightly closed original containers at temperatures recommended on the product label.
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