

The CirKular+™ Compatibilization Series represents a family of block copolymers based on polystyrene and polyethylene/butylene rubber brought to market by Kraton Polymers. CirKular+™ products are multi-resin compatibilizers and performance enhancement additives for upcycling mixed post-consumer resin (PCR) and post-industrial resin (PIR) recycling streams. CirKular+™ can upgrade the performance of PCR and PIR streams to bring cost effective solutions suitable for multiple end use applications. In addition to modification of the recycling streams, CirKular+ additives enable efficient bioplastics performance enhancement (e.g. Polylactic Acid).

Depending on the target performance requirements and the specific formulation, typical levels of CirKular+ addition range from 3 to 5% weight of the total formulation. CirKular+™ Compatibilization Series grades are manufactured in North America and are supplied in the form of dusted pellets in foil lined bags.

Compatibilization series includes three grades:

C1000, C1010 and C1010 (50% recycled)

| Property | Test Method | C1000 | C1010 |
|---|-------------|-------|-------|
| Melt Flow, 230 °C and 5 kg (g/10min) | ASTM D 1238 | 22 | 34 |
| Tensile Strength* (psi) | ASTM D 412 | 1360 | 390 |
| Elongation at Break* (%) | ASTM D 412 | 395 | 361 |
| Hardness, 10 s* (Shore A) | ASTM D 2240 | 74 | 62 |
| Specific Gravity | ASTM D 792 | 0.91 | 0.9 |
| * Determined on sample injection molded at 205 °C | | | |

These are typical values and should not be used to set specifications.

Versatile End Use, Processing and Functionality

Compounding and Dry Blending

Extrusion, Injection and Blow Molding

Films and Thermoforming

Multi-layer Structure as a Tie Layer

Recommended Processing Conditions Guide is available on request and should be reviewed before use.

Potential Applications

Rigid Packaging (Food or Non-food)

Flexible Packaging and Films

Automotive

Consumer Products

Industrial

Building and Construction

- ¹FDA Food Contact status provided upon request -



Features & Benefits

End Product Durability and Aesthetics

- ③ Superior mechanical properties: Impact strength at room and low temperature
- ③ Flexibility in tailoring properties: Tailored balance between stiffness and impact
- ③ Increased recyclate homogeneity and compatibility: Enhanced processability
- 3 Improved surface finish and colorability

Multi-material Design Flexibility

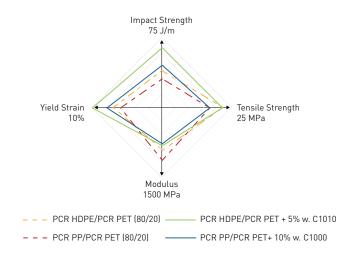
CirKular+™ products offer improved multi-resin compatibility across virgin plastics, bioplastics and post-consumer and post-industrial resin waste streams such as:

- 3 Bioplastics: Polylactic acid
- ③ Polyolefins and polyolefinic blends: PP, HDPE, MDPE, LLDPE and LDPE, metallocenes
- 3 Polystyrene and high impact polystyrene
- ③ Polar resins: PET, polyamides and nylon, PC, ABS, EVOH, PVA, EVA
- ③ Wood plastic composites

Increased End Product Circularity

- ③ Higher post-consumer and post-industrial content
- ③ Improved end life recyclability and reusability of end product
- $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{D}}$ Positive environmental impact with lower $\ensuremath{\mathrm{CO_2}}$ emissions and plastic waste reduction

Polyolefin Blends (contaminated with PET) Compatibilization Benchmarking





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