

# Flow modifiers for Polypropylene PRODUCT APPLICATION NOTE

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### Introduction

Polypropylene is an important commodity polymer which is used in many applications such as household & white goods, automotive components, and containers for packaging, including paint pails and thin walled disposable containers. For adequate mechanical and thermal properties suitable for these applications, different mineral and fibrous reinforcements such as calcium carbonate, talc and glass are required to be added. In certain applications, the loading percentage can go high such as 60% which reduces flow of the material. Therefore, at such high loadings it is not possible to injection mould filled PP compounds. In recycling of PP scrap (filled and unfilled) too, it is sometimes desirable to increase flow of the material to process it efficiently by moulding and extrusion processes.

## PLUSS NOVIS Series

Pluss NOVIS products are specially designed to provide sufficient flow in PP compounds, injection moulding and fiber processing. They are suitably formulated to provide controlled rheology in polypropylene for various applications.

Recommended dosage may vary from 0.5 to 8.0% depending upon the NOVIS grade, initial MFI of base polymer to be modified, and filler loading. NOVIS products are available in granular form and therefore safe to handle, convenient to use and easy to store.

Other improvements obtained in moulding compounds, as a result of NOVIS incorporation are:

- Improved wettability of filler/reinforcement particles
- Narrow molecular weight distribution, and
- Easy processing

The following products are available in NOVIS Series:

#### NOVIS P-390

It is a free radical modifier and suitable for higher flow requirement in filled PP compounds. It complies with US FDA 21 CFR 177.1520, and Regulation (EU) No. 10/2011 for plastic materials intended to be used in food contact materials.

#### NOVIS P-490

It is suitable for moderate flow requirement in PP filaments, non-wovens and others.

For more technical details, please refer to technical data sheets.

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