**Evonik Launches CYROLITE® Protect 2 For Antimicrobial Medical Devices**

Acrylic-based Multipolymer Compound Resistant To Lipids, Alcohol

ANAHEIM, Calif., February 11, 2014 - Evonik Cyro introduces CYROLITE® Protect 2, an acrylic-based multipolymer compound developed for medical devices with antimicrobial agents, at MD&M West at the Anaheim Convention Center, February 11-14.

CYROLITE® Protect 2 offers lipid and alcohol resistance in addition to the antimicrobial benefits of the original CYROLITE® Protect. All CYROLITE® Protect products are specifically designed for FDA regulated Class I or Class II medical devices covered by 510(k) PMN submission.

“Lipid and alcohol contact can cause devices made from other plastics to fail and CYROLITE® Protect 2 has been designed to address this challenge,” said Peter Allread, General Manager of Performance Polymers/Molding Compounds at Evonik. “The product’s new properties are important because the innovative multipolymer compound allows healthcare workers to use lipid IV solutions or swab devices with alcohol without fear of Environmental Stress Cracking (ESC).”

CYROLITE® Protect 2 provides antimicrobial capabilities against microorganisms such as Staphylococcus aureus, Klebsiella pneumoniae, Pseudomonas aeruginosa and Staphylococcus epidermidis as tested by the JIS Z 2801 protocol.

“Healthcare experts have been increasingly concerned with hospital acquired infections and the costs associated with them,” said Wade Schneider, Medical Market Segment Manager at Evonik. “CYROLITE® Protect 2 helps prevent hospital acquired infections by eliminating bacteria on disposable medical devices close to a patient’s wound.”

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