

Bioresorbable polymers for advanced medical textile processing

Standard and custom solutions from a biomaterials leader



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Creating high-quality and high-performance medical textiles requires specially developed superior raw materials. Our RESOMER® bioresorbable polymers can be used to produce the mono-filaments and multi-filaments that form the basis of a broad range of medical textiles from yarns and tapes to meshes and barbed sutures. The RESOMER® polymers can be precisely tailored to match the requirements of the target application both in terms of mechanical properties, like tensile strength or elasticity, and degradation rates.

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Evonik is a leader in biomaterials in all applications for bioresorbable implants. By leveraging 30 years of safety and biocompatibility of RESOMER®, we offer a broad, reliable and flexible portfolio of biomaterials combined

with advanced processing know-how. Our customized approach is particularly suitable for the development of specialty fibers.

BENEFITS OF RESOMER® FOR TEXTILE-BASED MEDICAL DEVICES

- ISO 13485 quality
- Highest quality mechanical and chemical properties
- Colorless and violet options available for each type
- Prototyping and development services for customized yarns and textiles
- Degradation versatility from less than four weeks to around two months
- Optimized for melt processing
- Reduced processing steps for block copolymers by eliminating the need for additives (e. g. plasticizer)

OVERVIEW OF RESOMER® PLATFORM FOR TEXTILE APPLICATIONS

OPTIMIZED FOR MULTI-FILAMENTS		OPTIMIZED FOR MONO-FILAMENTS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homopolymers and copolymers• High tensile strength• Rigid at body temperature		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ABA-block-copolymer with amorphous mid-block• Low bending stiffness, elasticity• Slow crystallization rate	
RESOMER® G 205 S PGA/Poly(glycolide)	RESOMER® GL 903 S PGLA/Poly(glycolide-co-L-lactide)	RESOMER® GT 643 S PGA-TMC/Poly(glycolide-co-trimethylene carbonate)	RESOMER® GC 753 S PGA-CL/Poly(glycolide-co-caprolactone)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degradation < 5 weeks• Tg 41 °C• IV [dL/g] 1.05–1.25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monomer ratio 90:10• Degradation < 5 weeks• Tg 42 °C• IV [dL/g] 1.05–1.25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monomer ratio 64:36• Degradation < 8 weeks• Tg 19 °C• IV [dL/g] 1.00–1.40	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monomer ratio 75:25• Degradation < 4 weeks• Tg -12 °C• IV [dL/g] 1.15–1.55

APPLICATION AREAS



Sutures, barbed sutures and thread lifts

- Strength
- Reduced inflammation
- Adapted degradation profile
- Flexibility/Pliability



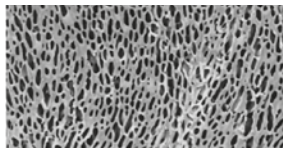
Mesh and tapes

- Strength
- Adapted degradation profile
- Partly absorbable in combination with PP/PET
- Minimization of tissue-irritation



Mono- and multi-filament yarns

- Strength
- Adapted elasticity and degradation profile
- Excellent textile processability



Membranes and non-wovens (e. g. tissue regeneration)

- Simulation of wound-healing and cell-seeding
- Different pore sizes and filament fineness
- Easy to drape onto complex tissues or body shapes

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