Ultimus® Single-Use Process Container Film

Engineered for superior strength and leak resistance

Ultimus® film was designed to meet the needs of more challenging single-use applications such as large-volume liquid processing. Our Ultimus[®] film technology provides enhanced bag strength, improved durability and leak resistance through a novel strength layer reinforced by woven nylon. The fluid contact layer supports healthy cell growth and does not contain Irgafos® 168. This ultra-low density polyethylene (ULDPE) fluid contact layer is free of animal origin components and demonstrates a low extractables profile. The gas barrier layer is made of ethylene vinyl alcohol copolymer (EVOH). The low-density polyethylene (LDPE) outer layer increases the film's resistance to leak formation. The strength layer, strategically placed between layers of ethylene vinyl acetate (EVA), is comprised of a woven nylon structure that significantly increases the overall durability of the film.

Cutting-edge Design with Woven Nylon

Our innovative approach of incorporating woven nylon into the film composition, exponentially improved the durability and strength of Ultimus[®] film. This woven nylon layer ensures the film's robustness while providing the ease of handling, flexibility, and conformity to a container that single-use processing demands.

Ultimus[®] film is available in Mobius[®] 3D process containers providing a stronger, more durable solution to solve your single-use manufacturing challenges.

Benefits

- Extreme durability for superior strength and leak resistance
- Reduced leak rate, minimizing product loss
- Supports healthy cell growth
- Improves operational efficiency and minimizes disruption

Features

- Woven nylon structure provides reinforced strength
- 10X* Extreme Abrasion Resistance
- 2.8X* Greater Tensile Strength
- 2X* Reinforced Puncture Resistance
- Superior* Flex Durability
- ISTA 3E Transport Test Verified**
- Irgafos[®] 168 free
- Comprehensive Extractables Data

* Compared to the average results of five commercially available single-use bioprocessing films tested. Refer to TB5661EN Demonstrated Strength and Durability of Ultimus[®] Film Tech Brief for more information.

** ISTA 3E Transport Test verified using Mobius® 500 L Process Container with Ultimus® Film in 500 L Stainless Steel Transport Bin





Demonstrated Strength and Leak Resistance





Demonstrating penetration resistence







The Emprove® Program - your fast track through regulatory challenges

Complementing our Mobius[®] single-use portfolio, the Emprove[®] Program provides three types of dossiers to support different stages of development and manufacturing operations including material qualification, risk assessment, and process optimization. The dossiers consolidate comprehensive product-specific testing data (including complete set of Extractables profile according to USP <665> & BioPhorum standard conditions), quality statements, and regulatory information in a readily-available format to simplify your compliance needs.

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Specifications

Properties	Tests	Ultimus [®] Film Average Values
Abrasion Resistance at 500 g	ASTM F3300 -18	4007 strokes
Puncture Resistance	ASTM F-1306 -16	31.3 lbf (139.23N)
Flex Durability	ASTM F-392	No holes at 900 cycles
Tensile Strength at Break (psi)	ASTM D882	5200psi (35.9 MPa)
Elongation	ASTM D882	Test not applicable due to the reinforced structure.*
Yield Strength	ASTM D882	Calculation is not meaningful due to the reinforced structure.* Refer to tensile strength at break.
Modulus (Young's)	ASTM D882	31.1 kpsi (214.4 Mpa)
Toughness	ASTM D882	Test not applicable due to the reinforced structure.*
Seam Strength	ASTM D882	57.2 lbf
O ₂ Transmission Rate	ASTM F1307 at 23 °C	0.009 cc/100 in. ² /24 hrs (0.140 cc/m ² /24 hrs)
CO ₂ Transmission Rate	ASTM F2476 at 23 °C	<0.0645 cc/100 in. ² /24 hrs (1 cc/m ² /24 hrs)
Moisture Vapor Transmission Rate (MVTR)	ASTM F1249 at 23 °C	0.036 g/100 in. ² /24 hrs (0.558 g/m ² /24 hrs)
Glass Transition Temperature	ASTM D5026	Measurement is not meaningful due to composite structure.*
Film Thickness	ASTM D374	0.0155 in. (0.39 mm)
Operating Temperature Range		2-60 °C

* Some physical properties impacted by stretch do not apply to Ultimus[®] film. Ultimus[®] film does not stretch before failure because of its reinforced structure.

Biocompatibility

Properties	Values	
Biological Reactivity	Ultimus® Film meets the requirements of USP <88> Biological Reactivity Tests for Plastics Class VI.	
Cytotoxicity	Ultimus® film is non-cytotoxic per USP <87> Cytotoxicity Test.	
Bacterial Endotoxin	Aqueous extraction passes the Limulus Ametocyte Lysate (LAL) Test per USP <85>, also meeting the requirements o Ph. Eur. 2.6.14 and JP 4.01.	
Physiochemical Test for Plastics	Ultimus [®] film meets the requirements for USP <661> as follows:	
	• Heavy Metals <1 ppm	
	• Buffering Capacity <10 mL	
	 Non-volatile Residuals <15 mg 	
	• Residue on Ignition <5 mg	
Aqueous Solutions for Parenteral Injections	Ultimus [®] film meets the requirements for:	
	• Appearance	
	Acidity and Alkalinity	
	Reducing Substances	
	Transparency	
	per the Ph. Eur. 3.2.2.1	
Particulate Matter	Ultimus® film meets the requirements for USP <788>.	
Hemolysis	Passed ISO® 10993-4	

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