





NOVEL ANTIOXIDANT SOLUTIONS FOR POLYPROPYLENE WITH ENHANCED COLOUR PERFORMANCE

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AGENDA



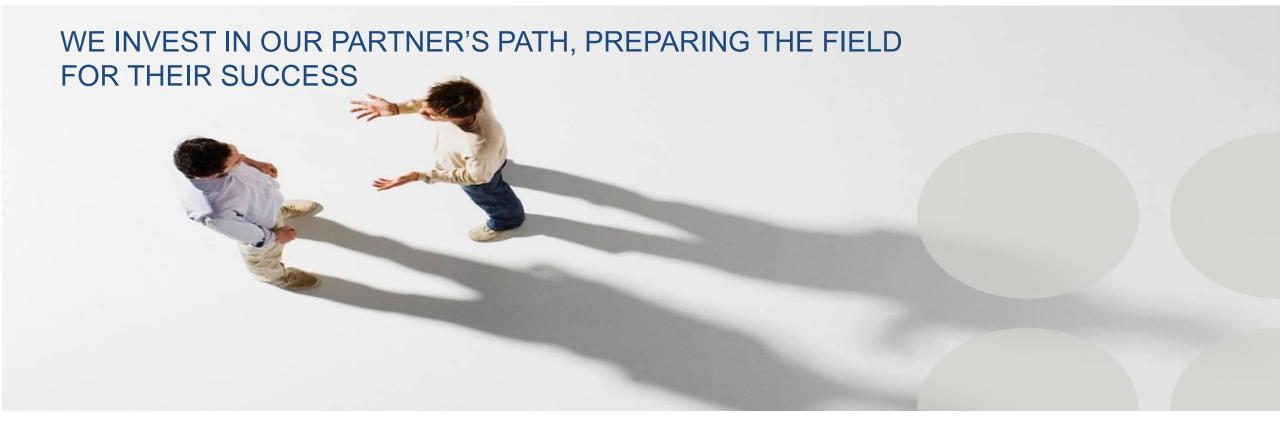
- Introducing ADDIVANT
- Colour in PP processing
- Studies with commercially available PP resins
- Future direction
- Summary







WHO WE ARE



WE ARE ADDIVANT™



A new, global company created in 2013 and bringing *fresh thinking* to the polymer and rubber industries.

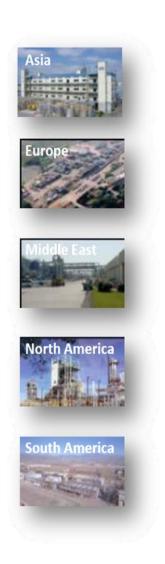
Headquartered in Danbury, CT, we are combining the *broadest range of Specialty Antioxidants & Stabilizers* with a world leading non-dust blend and liquid mixing capabilities.

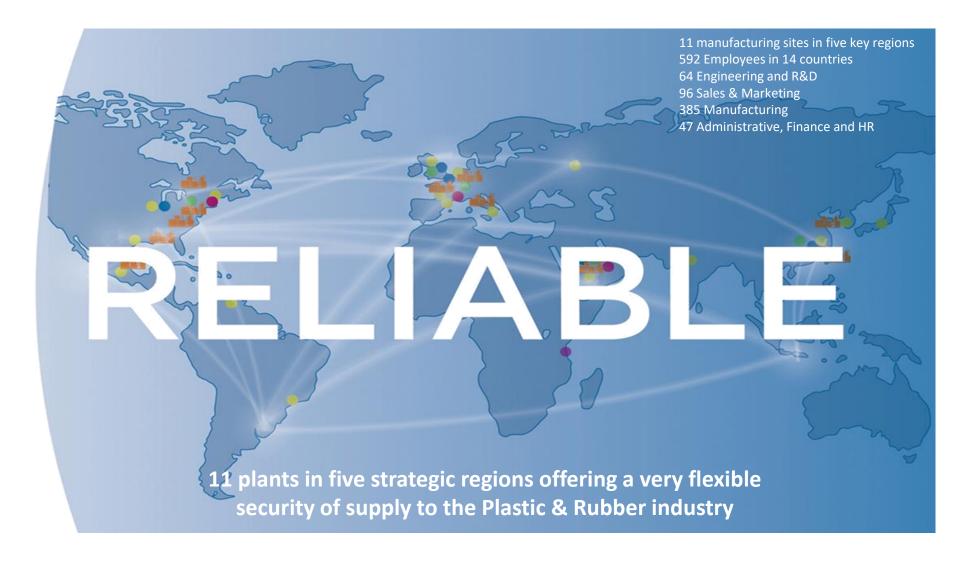
Our promise: Create the world's fastest and most reliable innovator and solution provider to the Polyolefin market



THE BROADEST GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL FOOTPRINT IN THE ANTI-OXIDANT AND STABILIZER INDUSTRY







OUR GLOBAL TECHNICAL CENTRE



Trafford Park, Manchester, United Kingdom

Expertise

- Addivant's global centre of excellence for formulated solutions (HMA, W&C, PP, PA, PU, Rubber etc. downstream applications)
- Delivered over many projects to support customers' innovation needs

Polymer Processing Capabilities

- Range of single screw and twin screw extruders
- Brabender Plastograph system
- Injection moulding
- Compression moulding
- Twin Roll mill









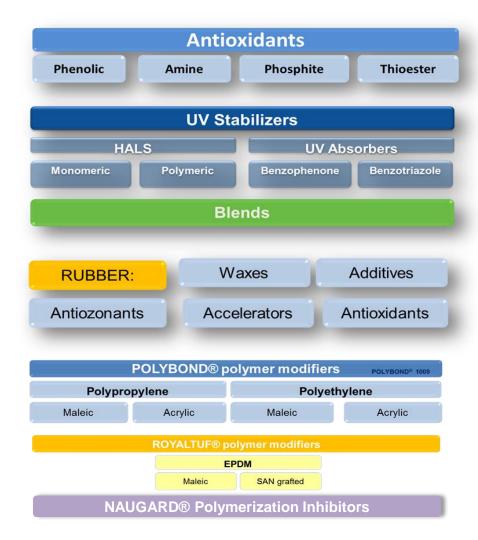


Polymer Characterisation Capabilities

- Materials weathering, QUV, heat, NOx
- Appearance: Xrite I7, surface smoothness,
- Rheology: Torque Rheometer, MFR, Brookfield
- Mechanical: Instron tensile tester
- Addivant Global Analytical Service

THE WORLD BROADEST RANGE IN ANTI-OXIDANTS, POLYMER STABILIZERS & POLYMER MODIFIERS





AMINOX ® **WESTON® LOWINOX® ANOX® ALKANOX® LOWILITE®** POLYBOND® **BLE**® **FLEXAMINE**® ANOX® NDB® NAUGARD® **NAUGAWHITE® NOVANOX® NOVAZONE® AS OCTAMINE® POLYWET® ROYALAC® ROYALTUF®**







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POLYPROPYLENE INDUSTRY TRENDS & CHALLENGES



ADVANCED CATALYSTS DEMAND ADVANCED ADDITIVE SOLUTIONS





Polypropylene catalysts are undergoing changes to meet the demands of customers' resin properties and regulatory needs. Additive solutions need to keep pace with the landscape change.

The stability of polypropylene is typically measured as the results of colour and melt stability determined after multipass extrusion. Both properties are critical, but colour development is a visual representation or proxy of potential stability issues.

SUPERIOR COLOR CONTROL



Extrusion processing of PP > extreme conditions > polymer damage due to chain scission

Antioxidants sacrificially protect polymer integrity

Phenolics cause discolouration *via* the formation of highly unsaturated quinonoid chemical species

PP processors use colour as an indicator of thermal history of a resin

Thus, processors want to control colour during processing for practical, economic and aesthetic reasons.



Addivant have produced new tools to allow our customers to better control colour generation during processing.

COLOUR FORMATION IN POLYPROPYLENE RESIN



Colour generation is a complex; Many coloured species > highly conjugated quinonoid structures

The stilbene quinone from BHT λ_{max} = 452nm ϵ_{max} = 106000 (bright orange) at 4ppm it is clearly visible and stronger than a typical textile dye (poor light fastness)

stilbene quinone

EFFECT OF PH ON COLOUR FORMATION



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- Prevent corrosion of moulds
- Prevent catalytic damage of AOs through low pH.

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We have packages with calcium stearate and without where the bloom of a stearate is undesirable. These new products have full FDA A-H compliance and give our customers unparalleled control over colour and MFR.

SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL



Commercial PP resins have been evaluated to understand the performance and range of the new **pH control technology** developed by Addivant;

PP	Type	MFR	
PP1	homo	2	
PP2	homo	12	
PP3	homo	10	
PP4	homo	2	

Samples were exposed to compounding under N_2 at 230°C followed by 5 extrusion passes in air at 260°C. The effect on colour and the MFR of the passes was measured.

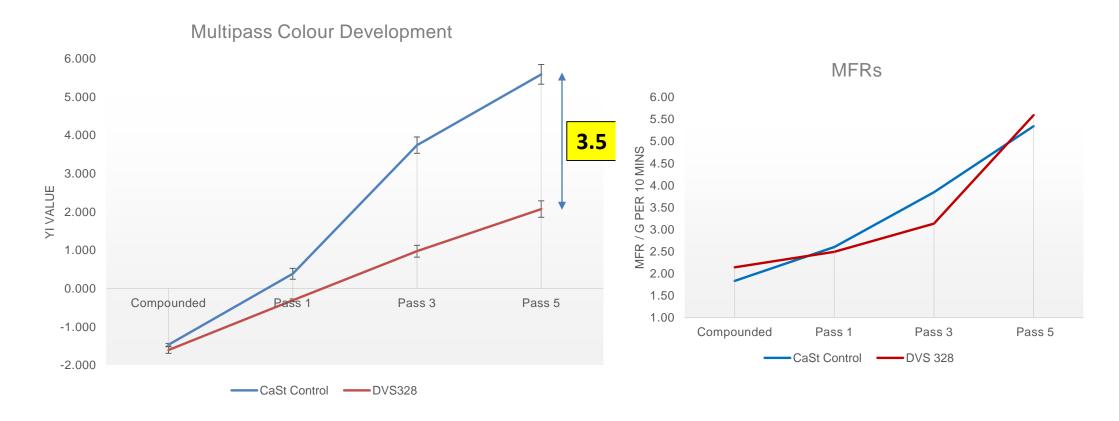
Multipass extrusion has been performed against 2 control formulations;

- 1) 0.12% ANOX® BB012* utilizing 0.03% CaSt as the antacid
- 2) 0.12% ANOX® BB012* utilizing 0.018% DHT4V as the antacid



SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL - PP1 WITH CAST





SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL - PP2 WITH CAST



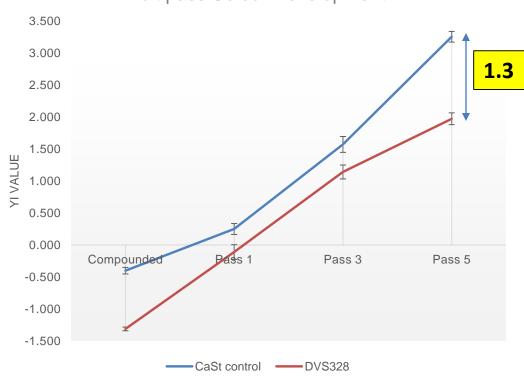
Multipass Colour Development

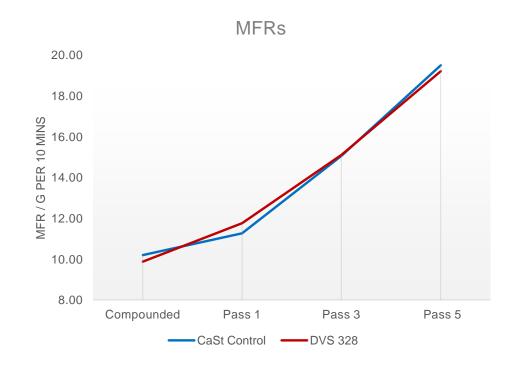


SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL - PP3 WITH CAST









SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL - PP4 WITH CAST

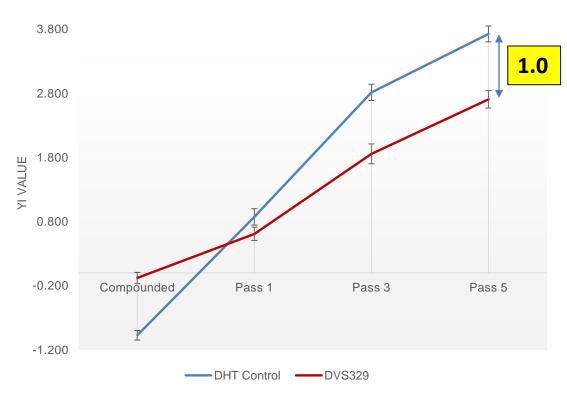


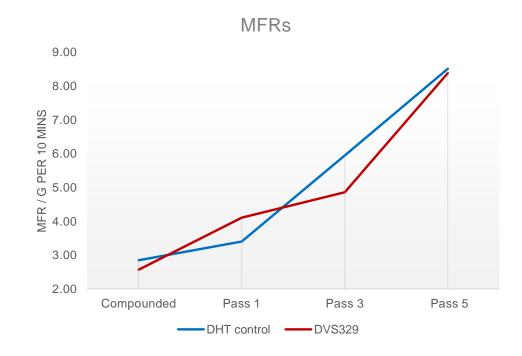


SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL - PP1 WITH DHT4V



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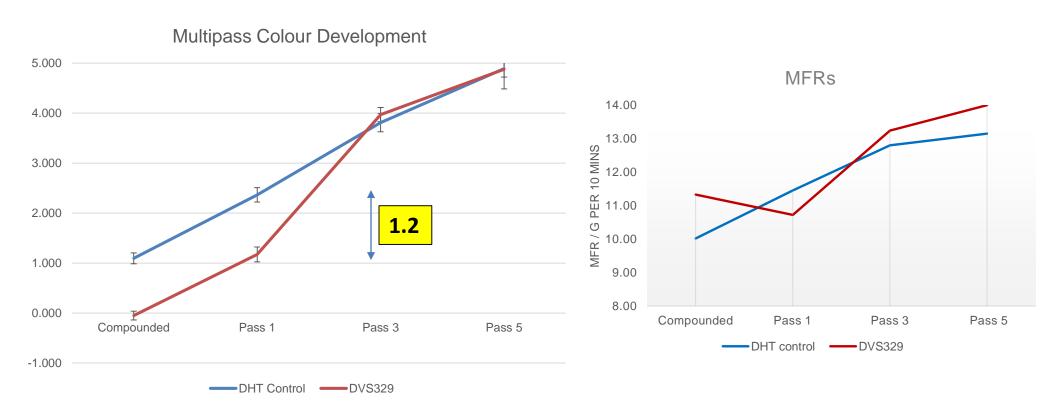




Addivant Solution DVS329 delivers lower color generation vs DHT

SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL - PP2 WITH DHT4V

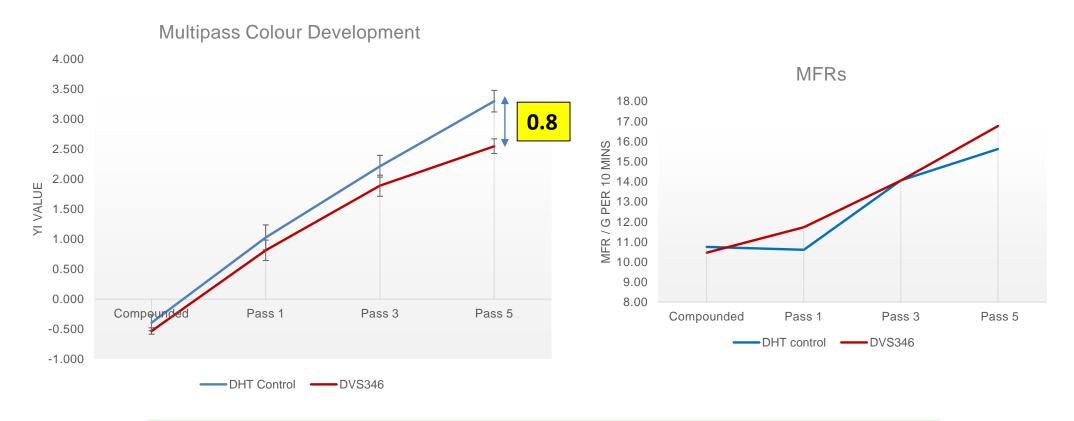




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SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL - PP3 WITH DHT4V



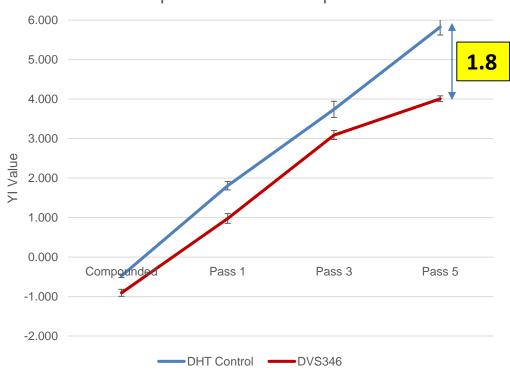


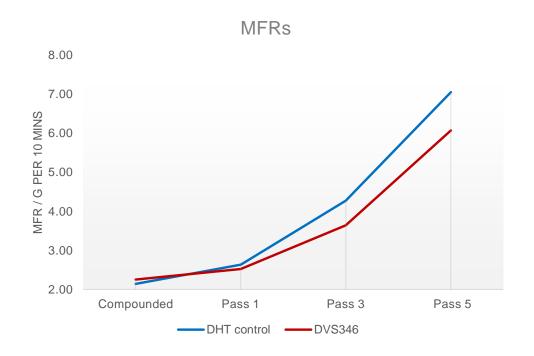
Addivant Solution DVS346 delivers lower color generation vs DHT

SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL - PP4 WITH DHT4V









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SUPERIOR COLOUR CONTROL



Addivant Solution	MFR	ΥI	Stearate Free
DVS328	=	++	No
DVS329	=	+	Yes
DVS346	=	+	Yes





NDB FORMULATION



New high efficiency FORMULATED SOLID NDB® SOLUTION designed to:

- Overcome weaknesses of existing stabilisers
- Provide excellent colour stability
- Provide higher productivity
- Improve quality consistency
- Lower costs
- Be a drop-in replacement



State-of-the-art powderfree NDB® form

Advantages of using an NDB® form

Productivity

- Process simplification
- Improved feeding, handling, storage
- Faster changeovers
- Reduced machinery down time
- Reduced working capital

Innovation

- Alloy effect
- Better additive dispersion
- Property extension
- Physical form know-how
- Performance enhancement

Quality

- Fewer human errors
- Accurate formulations
- Fewer off spec/claims
- Lower contamination risk

Cost

- Cost optimization
- Reduced QC costs
- Reduced set points
- Less waste
- Easier logistics

Health & Safety

- Lower explosion risk
- Better plant hygiene
- No worker dust exposure

FUTURE DIRECTION



- Our new pH control technology is being investigated throughout the polymer arena and showing promise in many additional areas such as;
 - Polyethylene
 - Engineering polymers
 - Elastomers
- We believe that this concept will reset the baseline performance demanded by polymer compounders.





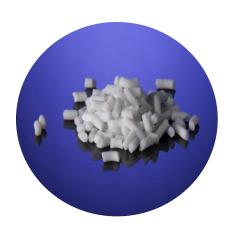
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- Addivant has developed a new stabilisation system for colour control
 - Excellent colour and MFR control in a range of PP resins
 - FDA compliant for food contact A-H.
 - Controls colour through superior pH control
 - Can be used with stearate or without
 - Available in dust free NDB[®] forms
 - Commercial Introduction in 2018







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Thank You



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