

# Spheromers® CA

# Chemical description

Spheromers® CA are perfectly spherical monosized beads made of cross-linked polymethyl methacrylate (PMMA).

#### Main use

Spheromers® CA are used as functional additives in a wide range of applications, including architectural and industrial coatings, thermoplastic masterbatches, engineering compounds, technical ceramics and adhesives.

Spheromers® CA are available in 7 different particle sizes

#### Typical values

#### Spheromers® CA6 CA10 CA15 CA20 CA30 CA40 CA60

D <sub>90</sub> [μm]:	6	10	15	20	30	40	60	
CV [%]: <5*								
Refractive index: 1.476-1.485								
Oil adsorption [ml/g]: 0.212								
Solubility: inert in most solvents								
Particle density [g/cm³]: 1.2								
Bulk density[g/cm³]: 0.6								
Heat resistance [°C]: 260-360**								
Tg (glass transition temperature [°C]: ~130								

<sup>\*</sup>CV % = (standard deviation/average bead diameter)X100

## **Product properties**

The physical and chemical behaviour of Spheromers® CA is the same as for PMMA in general including excellent transparency, good surface hardness, temperature resistance and UV-stability.

The combination of chemical composition and perfect spherical shape ensure tough beads that remain unchanged during normal processing conditions. The extremely narrow particle size distribution ensures homogeneous and reproducible properties.

## **Applications**

Spheromers\* CA can be used as pore former to create homogenous pore size and targeted pore diameter in porous ceramics.

Spheromers® CA can also be used as spacer in adhesives and other applications due to the extremely narrow particle size distribution.

The different Spheromers® CA sizes can be blended and also be combined with other additives to achieve the required properties.

# Storage and handling

Storage stability is at least 5 years from the date of production when stored dry at temperatures below 25 °C in closed containers. Please close the innerliner of open boxes to avoid moisture pick-up and contamination.

#### **Packaging**

Products are available in a 25 kg cardboard box with polyethylene innerliner and 450 kg (18 boxes) on each pallet.

#### Material safety

Please consult the Safety Data Sheet

## Regulatory information

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<sup>\*\*</sup>TGA measurement: Decomposition at 360-390 °C.