Glycidyl POSS® Cage Mixture in Hydroxy-mono-Oxetane

EP4F09.03 features EP0409 POSS dissolved in 3-Ethyl-3-oxetanemethanol for solvent-free cationic-UV coatings.

**Appearance**
Clear, colorless, low viscosity liquid.

**DESCRIPTION**
EP4F09.03 contains the active EP0409 POSS, with organic glycidyl groups attached to the silicon vertices of the cage. The combination with hydroxy-mono-oxetane provides enhanced rate of cationic cure and enhanced, adhesion, and flexibility relative to glycidal chemistry.

**APPLICATIONS AND BENEFITS**
EP4F09.03 is a film former however it is designed for use as an additive in UV coatings for high transparency, adhesion and flexibility.

**EP4F09.03 PROPERTIES**

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<tr>
<td>Appearance</td>
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<td>Viscosity (@25°C)</td>
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<td>Resin Solubility</td>
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**REGULATORY STATUS**
INCI, REACH pending TSCA, EP0409 CAS 68611-45-0. EP0409 is not a primary dermal irritant.

3-Ethyl-3-oxetanemethanol CAS 3047-32-3

**HANDLING PRECAUTIONS**
Product safety information required for safe use is not included in this document. Before handling, read product and safety data sheets and container labels for safe use, physical health and hazard information. For safety data information, contact Hybrid.

**PRODUCT BENEFITS**
The EP0409 cage molecule is an excellent compatibilizer, rheological diluent and carrier. It has a robust resistance to environmental degradation such as moisture, oxidation, and provides 200-300 nm absorption. In combination with hydroxy-mono-oxetane, stable clear, adhesive films are realized with B hardness and high flexibility.

**FEATURED IMAGE**
The EP0409 octamer structure is shown.

**EP0409 STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION**
EP0409 is a mixture of cage sizes 8, 10 and 12. The EP0409 POSS is a hybrid, 1.5 nm molecule with an inorganic silsesquioxane core and organic glycidyl groups attached at the corners of the cage, which act as multifunctional cross-links and dispersant arms. EP0409 shows high compatibility and diluent properties in urethane, epoxy and acrylic resins. As a cross-linker, EP0409 retains modulus above glass transition and increases hardness.

**RELATED LITERATURE**
2. Increased Thermal Stability of POM: DOI 10.1002/pc.21191

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