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wide range of applications, including many plastic compounds for everyday products. Examples include toys, toothbrushes, medical tubes, sports equipment, sealants and car tires. And that's not all TPEs from Kuraray can do! More flexible types are used as lubricant additives and base components in adhesives. Kuraray is a leading supplier of TPEs and offers customers more than 30 different types with individual product properties. For further information please contact your local Kuraray office or visit our website www.elastomer.kuraray.com.

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Advanced Stretch Films with SEPTON™ and HYBRAR™



Kuraray provides polymers that are suitable for dry blending in film extrusion processes. These styrenic block copolymers show maximum softness and elasticity and have excellent compatibility with polyolefins. The main advantage to using SEPTON^M and HYBRAR^M is the ability to obtain film properties that normally cannot be achieved with commodity polyolefin, polyolefin elastomer, or plastomer resins. These enhanced properties include improved retention and impact strength, excellent cling and tack properties, and excellent clarity. Film softness and elongation can also be tailored to meet specific performance requirements.

Food Packaging Film

Key Advantages

- Low retention loss due to high elasticity
- High impact and tear resistance
- High cling and adhesion properties
- Low haze and high clarity
- Lower material concentration needed

For PE and PP (blown film and cast film), SEPTON[™] and HYBRAR[™] can be added to modify the stretch characteristics and improve cling properties. Compared to conventional materials such as EVA, POE (Polyolefin Elastomers) and PIB Cling-Masterbatches, SEPTON[™] and HYBRAR[™] provide enhanced performance while requiring lower concentrations in the commodity polyolefin based formulation which potentially reduces costs. Selected grades are suitable for food contact applications and comply with major international regulations.



Pallet Stretch

SEPTON[™] in pallet stretch films significantly increases the elastic properties. By modifying films with SEPTON[™] 2004F it is possible to reduce retention loss. E.g. in our investigation, we found that a combination of POE and SEPTON[™] 2004F (60%/40%) performs 2.5 times better than POE just by itself. Further optimizing, the total elastomeric content can be reduced to 5-20% in the core layer.

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Core Layer 6-8 µm	L
Non-Cling Layer 6-8 µm	L
Measured by Kuraray	

	Market Standard	SEPTON™ Optimized
Cling Layer 4-6 µm	LLDPE or RPP Base	LLDPE or RPP Base
	20-70% POE (Polyolefin Elastomer)	5-15% SEPTON™ 2063*
		0-5% Tackifier Resin*
Core Layer 6-8 µm	LLDPE or RPP	LLDPE or RPP
	50-100% POE	5-20% SEPTON™ 2004F
Non-Cling Layer 6-8 µm	LLDPE or RPP	LLDPE or PP

Cling: For food contact we alternatively recommend HYBRAR™ 7311F

Retention Loss of pure Polymer (Creep Loss at 200%/1 minute)



