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# Thermoplastic Elastomer HYBRAR™ Unique damping properties at various frequencies



HYBRAR<sup>™</sup> is a truly unique triblock copolymer having polystyrene end blocks and a vinyl rich poly-diene midblock. Due to its peak tan delta near room temperature, HYBRAR<sup>™</sup> exhibits exceptional vibration damping and shock absorption properties.

### HYBRAR<sup>™</sup> can be applied for damping purpose to absorb vibration energy.

## Key Advantages

- High affinity to polyolefins and poly-styrene
- Rubber like elasticity
- Excellent clarity when blended with polypropylene
- Processable for plasticizer free compounds
- Applicable for sports equipment, foamable sound damping sealants, electronic components, noise reduction in automotive components



## Properties of HYBRAR<sup>™</sup>/PP Compounds





## Viscoelasticity of HYBRAR™



## **Applications**

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Audible range (20~20,000 Hz)

HYBRAR<sup>™</sup> shows high damping properties within a wide range of temperatures and frequencies. It can be blended with other polymers such as PP, PE, PA, ABS, ASA or PC. Moreover HYBRAR<sup>™</sup> is a low density material which can reduce weight while improving damping properties.

## Applications

- Automotive foams and sealants (NVH)
- Sporting equipment and tool grips
- Sealants and padding in construction
- Expandable, sound damping foam
- Adhesives with sound and vibration damping properties