Advanced Engineering Plastics for Life Sciences Applications

A broad range of materials that offer design flexibility and speed development
Quadrant Portfolio Applicability

Dental Instruments
- Dental instruments and grips
- Dental drilling and suction equipment
- Isolating parts
- Healing Caps
- Temporary Abutments

Surgical Instruments & Supplies
- Fixator Equipment
- Surgical Grips
- Targeting Devices
- Isolating parts
- Endoscopic Equipment
- Minimal invasive products

Pharmaceutical Processing and Packaging
- Applications for tablet production
- Sliding and wear parts for pharma handling and packaging

Analytical and Diagnostic Equipment
- Trays
- Centrifuges
- DNA Probe Analyzer
- Transport and sliding parts
- Mass spectrometers
- Radiation equipment
- Ultrasound equipment
- X-Ray and MRI devices

Biotechnology and Laboratory Equipment
- Fermentation of microorganism
- Screening process
- Bio reactors
- Nozzles, adapters, caps
- Optics and lenses
Stock Shapes for Life Sciences
Quadrant Life Science Grades (LSG) are designed specifically for the Medical, Pharmaceutical and Biotechnology markets. They save OEMs the time and costs associated with biocompatibility testing and regulatory approvals. Key benefits of the Life Science Grades are:

Performance
Using the cutting edge material portfolio from Quadrant, will replace existing solutions made of stainless steel, Titanium and glass or ceramics through a combination of properties like weight reduction, resistance to commonly used sterilization methods, X-ray transparency, design flexibility, anti-static performance and resistance to high energetic radiation.

Biocompatibility
The LSG portfolio includes plastics which comply with FDA, ISO 10993 and USP guidelines for biocompatibility testing of materials

Full Traceability
Quadrant provides OEMs with the assurance of full traceability for its comprehensive LSG product portfolio.

Global Availability
With production facilities in Europe, North America and Asia, and a presence in 27 countries through its select distribution network, Quadrant guarantees the consistent quality and availability of its products worldwide.

Quality Assurance
In line with its ISO 9001:2000 certified Quality Assurance System, Quadrant EPP thoroughly monitors and controls the entire manufacturing process of its Life Science Grades

Quadrant’s Values to Market
Increased Security
- Biocompatibility tested and certified
- Resistance to most common cleaning and sterilization methods
- Full traceability from raw material to stock shape
- Color coding possibilities

Reduce Time to Market
- Certification according regulatory standards saves time for testing
- Extensive technical know how and support from development to market

Cost Reduction
- Shorter development time using pre-certified products
- Improved device performance
- Better and faster machining when compared to stainless steel and other materials

Increased Production Speed
- Improved wear performance in unlubricated conditions
- Lower weight which leads to lower inertia forces
- Higher output
- Lower in-use noise levels versus metals

Distributed by:
Polymer shapes
To help the designer meet today’s challenges, Quadrant Engineering Plastic Products has specifically developed a portfolio of materials including a group of new, Life Science Grades which are pre-qualified biocompatible materials, helping to save precious time and money. The QEPP Life Science materials successfully passed a series of biocompatibility tests, run in order to check their compliance with both United States Pharmacopeias (USP) and ISO 10993-1 guideline requirements for Biocompatibility.

In addition to the Life Science Grade materials, Quadrant manufactures a broad range of materials that offer FDA compliance. This wide range of FDA compliant materials are well suited for production and process equipment in chemically intense analytical instrumentation, and ideal for applications where direct body contact is not required. Quadrant’s technical support team can help you select the best material for your application.

Plug into our resources at www.quadrantplastics.com or 800.366.0300.
These charts summarize some of the key, relevant performance criteria. Significant additional information is available through Quadrant’s website and in Quadrant’s printed literature available on-line and through our Technical Services department at 800.366.0300.
A comprehensive biocompatibility type testing program was run by an independent, internationally renowned testing organization on the QEPP Life Science Grades (1) in order to check their compliance with both United States Pharmacopeia (USP) and ISO 10993-1 guideline requirements for Biocompatibility Testing of Materials.

The test results reproduced in the table below indicate that, under the experimental conditions utilized in the testing, the examined QEPP Life Science Grades meet the requirements of the USP and ISO guidelines that are referenced (2). The table below also lists the results of heavy metal content tests run by means of Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS).

Quadrant’s Life Science Grades Biocompatibility Testing

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This test was carried out by an independent international renowned testing organization and the material met the guideline requirements (more detailed information available on request).

NT: Not Tested
T: Tested
(1) All tests were run on test specimens machined from rod diameter 50 mm shortly after manufacture • (2) See disclaimer

Quadrant has extensive product and machining resources available online. Our website is a portal to a wealth of technical data and the easiest way to engage our application specialists. Our team stands ready to help offer solutions to your toughest problems.