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Mevopur™ Healthcare Functional Additives Laser Welding Additives for Medical Devices

Laser welding has become a technology of choice to join plastic parts of complex medical devices. Also known as transmission welding, laser welding is the process of using focused laser radiation to bond two plastic parts, one that is transparent to the laser energy and one that absorbs the energy. It is a precise and clean process that produces high-quality seams and adhesive-free assembly. Since polymers interact differently with laser energy, making them more or less suitable for laser welding, special polymer solutions can be used to enhance a polymer's ability to interact with the laser energy and achieve a good weld.

Avient uses a "systems approach" to develop the laser welding solution most adapted to your project, taking into consideration the following aspects:

- Transmitting and absorbing parts
- Polymer type and grade
- Dispersion of the additive in the final part
- Sufficient and consistent loading of the additive
- Part design: attention to flow separation at the welding interface
- Color and opacity
- Quality control – e.g. establish suitable control parameters (UV Visible Spectra)
- Laser wavelength and processing parameter

Mevopur™ Healthcare Functional Additives formulated for laser welding are designed for use in healthcare applications. Examples include wearable patch sensors, cartridges, housings and surgical instruments. Ready-to-use formulations can be offered to solve any dispersion issues.

KEY CHARACTERISTICS

- Manufactured at four ISO 13485 certified sites, providing global consistency and increased security of supply
- Documented change control beyond CAS number, reducing risk of change
- Available as additive concentrates, ready-to-use additive formulations or ready-to-use additive/colorant formulations for different polymers

REGULATORY SUPPORT

- Raw materials tested to:
 - ISO 10993-1 and USP <87> <88> biological evaluation
 - European Pharmacopeia 3.1.3/3.1.5 (polyolefin)
 - USP <661.1> (polyethylene)
 - ICH Q3D elemental impurities
- Registered Drug Master File (Type III) and/or Device Master File
- Food contact established with FDA/EU*

* FDA/EU compliance information available upon request; exceptions may occur



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