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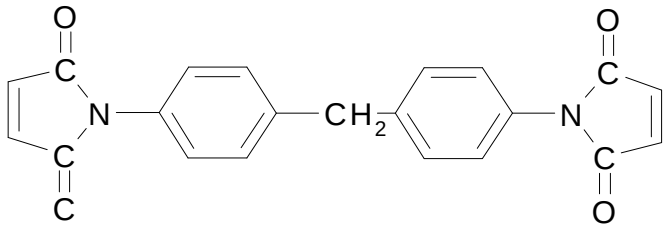
Matrimid® 5292

GENERAL

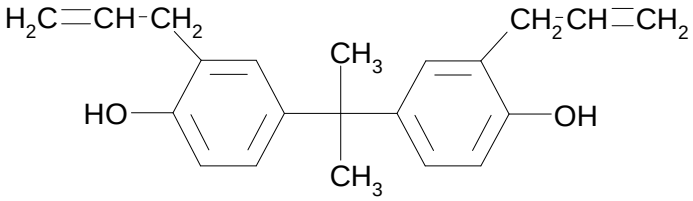
Matrimid® is a two-component bismaleimide system which when combined and cured is suitable for high temperature advanced composites and adhesives applications.

CHEMICAL STRUCTURE

Matrimid® 5292A
4,4'-Bismaleimidodiphenylmethane



Matrimid® 5292B
o,o'-Diallyl Bisphenol A



PATENT

The technology described in this data sheet, the use of component A and B, is covered by the Huntsman Patent No. 4,100,140.

ADVANTAGES

Outstanding heat performance
Excellent mechanical properties at ambient and elevated temperatures
Good toughness
Very good humidity resistance
Able to be hot melt processed
Good handling

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APPLICATIONS

Advanced composites structures
High performance structural adhesives
Laminating including printed circuit boards
Casting applications
Filament winding
Coatings

TYPICAL PROPERTIES*

Component A

Visual Appearance	Yellow, crystalline powder
Melting Point, °C (°F)	150 - 160 (302 - 320)
Maleimide Double Bond Content	>85% of theoretical

Component B

Visual Appearance	Amber liquid
Viscosity @ 25°C, cPs	12,000 - 20,000

* Typical properties are based on Huntsman's test methods. Copies are available upon request.

FORMULATIONS

Matrimid® 5292 system can be used by itself as described below (see formulations 1 and 2) or can be formulated with various chemical components which react with the double bonds of bismaleimides, allyl groups, or phenol groups. Additional formulating may improve some properties of the system.

Formulations	System 1*	System 2
Matrimid® 5292 A, pbw	100	113
Matrimid® 5292 B, pbw	85	85

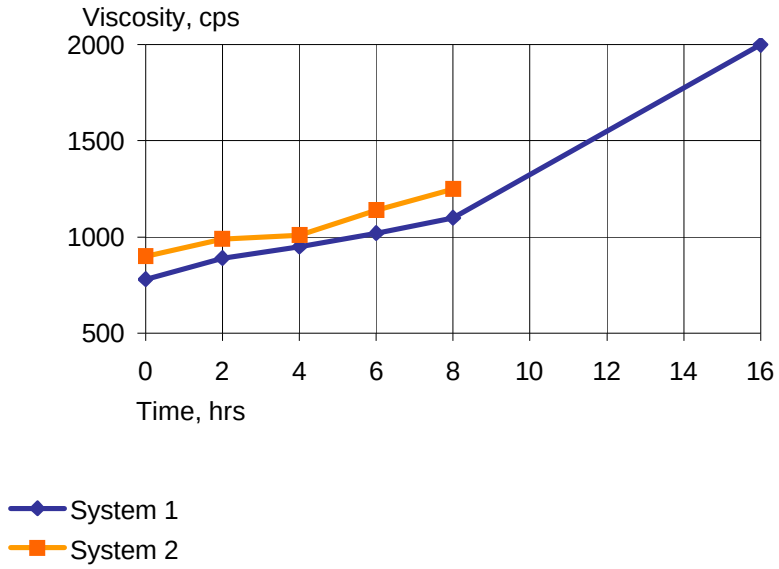
* Although formulation 2 shows some better performance properties our packaging size is equivalent to the pbw of formulation 1. This ratio provides more flexibility to formulate for the prepregger.

Procedure

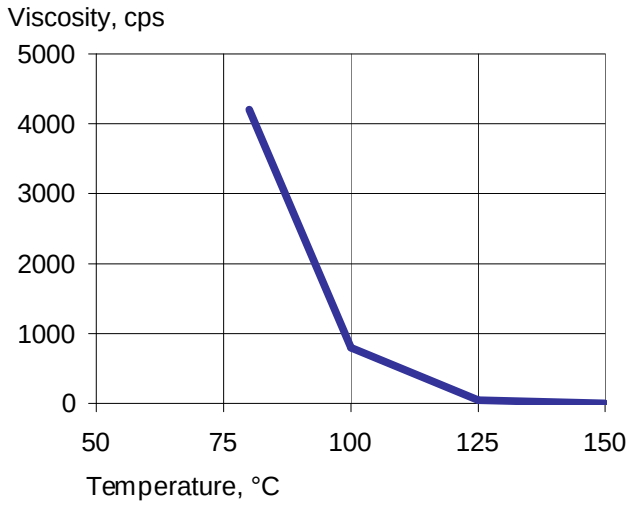
Combine both components A and B in proper proportions in an appropriate kettle equipped with heating capability, mechanical stirrer and temperature recording device. Heat both components with continuous stirring to 120-130°C (248-266°F) until a clear homogeneous solution is obtained. Additional heating dictates the pot life of the resultant prepolymer. For clear casting, degas the resultant mixture, while maintained at 130°C (266°F), at 26 + inches of vacuum for 5-10 minutes. For a 1000 gram mass of prepolymer, about 50-60 minutes time is available at 150°C. Hot degassed melt can be poured into preheated molds.

FORMULATIONS (CONTINUED)

Prepolymer Viscosity Profile @ 100°C

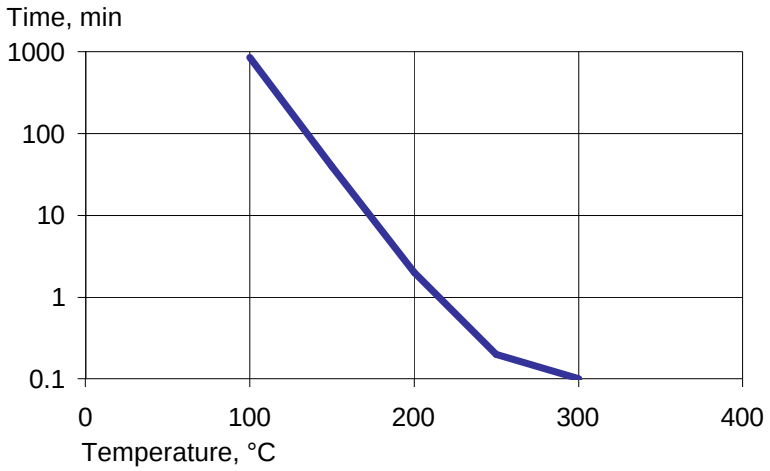


Viscosity Profile System 1



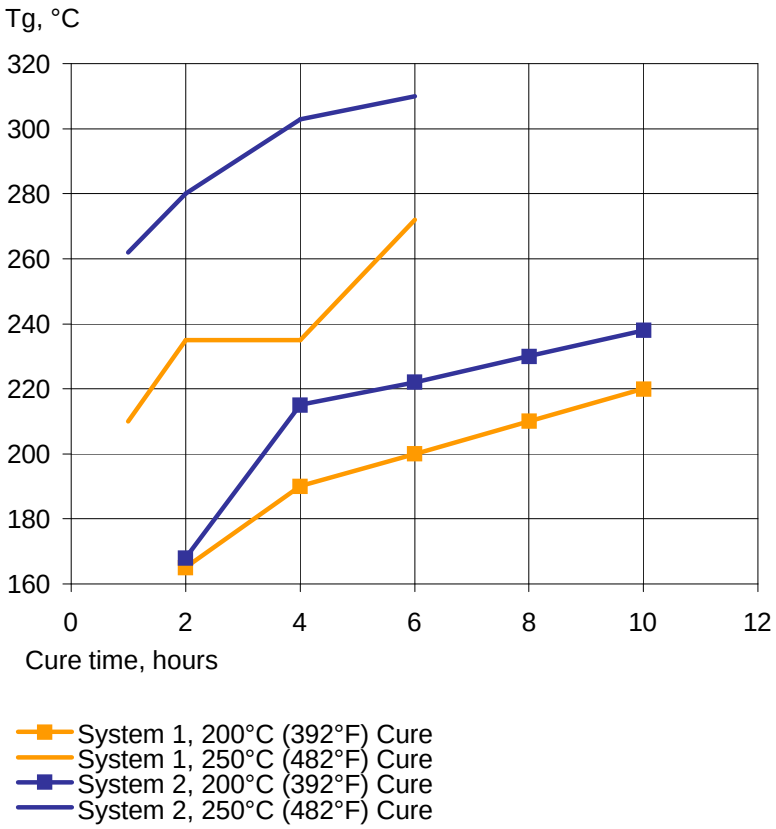
FORMULATIONS (CONTINUED)

Gel Time versus Temperature
(For both systems)



Cure Schedule versus Glass Transition Temperature, final cure is dictated by the end use properties desired. The following graph shows the effect of different cure schedules on the glass transition temperature:

Glass transition temperature



FORMULATIONS (CONTINUED)

Cured Properties of Neat Resin Casting

The following cure cycle was used for both formulations to develop neat resin properties below:
1 hour at 180°C (356°F)
2 hours at 200°C (392°F)
6 hours at 250°C (482°F)

Formulations	**System 1**	**System 2**
R.T. Tensile:		
Strength, ksi	11.9	13.6
Modulus, ksi	620	564
Elongation, %	2.3	3.0
R.T. Flex.		
Strength, ksi	24.2	26.8
Modulus, ksi	589	580
R.T. Compression:		
Yield Strength, ksi	29.9	30.4
Ultimate Strength, ksi	30.9	-
Modulus, ksi	348	360
Compression at yield, ksi	16.8	13.6
Compression at failure, %	33.5	-
300°F Tensile:		
Strength, ksi	7.4	10.1
Modulus, ksi	354	412
Elongation,%	2.6	3.05
400°F Tensile:		
Strength, ksi	5.8	10.4
Modulus, ksi	294	394
Elongation, %	2.3	4.6
HDT, °C (°F)	273 (523)	285 (545)
Tg (By TMA-Penetration mode)		
°C (°F)	273 (523)	282 (540)
Tg (By DMA) °C (°F) Dry	295 (563)	310 (590)
Tg (By DMA) °C (°F) Wet*	305 (581)	297 (567)
Specific Gravity of cured		
System at 25°C	1.2319	1.2328
Fracture Toughness		
(Compact Tension):		
G_{IC} Values, in. lb/in^2	0.97	1.2

* Two weeks @ 100°F, relative humidity.

FORMULATIONS (CONTINUED)

Mechanical Properties After Humidity Exposure (Neat Resin)

Below are mechanical properties of the Matrimid® 5292 System neat resin cured per the previously described cure cycle. These systems were tested at R.T. and 149°C (300°F) after exposure to 100% relative humidity at 38°C (100°F) for 2 weeks

Formulations	**System 1**	**System 2**
R.T. Tensile:		
Strength, ksi	9.6	12.8
Modulus, ksi	548	549
Elongation, %	2.1	3.4
300°F Tensile:		
Strength, ksi	4.3	6.9
Modulus, ksi	270	312
Elongation, %	1.95	3.2
Water Pick-up, %	1.40	1.5

Cured Properties After Lower Temperature Cure (Neat Resin)

To demonstrate the effect of lower cure temperatures on mechanical properties, castings were prepared as described above with the exception of the cure cycle which is:
1 hour @ 177°C (350°F) + 10 hours @ 200°C (392°F).

Formulations	**System 1**	**System 2**
R.T. Tensile:		
Strength, ksi	15.1	14.5
Modulus, ksi	622	595
Elongation, %	2.9	2.9
300° F Tensile:		
Strength, ksi	10.7	11.4
Modulus, ksi	466	484
Elongation%	4.2	3.1
400°F Tensile:		
Strength, ksi	7.5	10.6
Modulus, ksi	264	505
Elongation, %	5.3	2.7
Tg °C (°F) (By TMA-Penetration Mode)	218 (424)	234 (453)

PREPREGGING/LAMINATING

Impregnating/Prepregging

Hot melt impregnation techniques are easily utilized with this bismaleimide system. Although impregnation by the use of solvents is also possible.

For the composite properties presented below, unidirectional prepreg was prepared using the drum winding technique. The polymer used here was prepared as described for neat resin casting and was kept at 150°C (302°F) during the winding process. Hexcel graphite fiber, Magnamite AS-4-12K was used. The resultant prepreg had good tack and drape characteristics. Tack and drape can be controlled by varying the prepolymerization time. In this case no further staging was required prior to molding.

Molding and Curing of Prepreg

Both formulations described above are conducive to standard autoclave or compression molding techniques. A 177° C (350°F) cure for 1-2 hours is recommended followed by a free standing post cure for up to 6 hours @ 250°C (482°F). Other post cure schedules are possible depending on the required end properties. Composites prepared for this testing were compression molded as follows:

Prepreg plies with appropriate release and bleeder cloth were laid up in a mold.

The mold was put in a press under contact pressure and the temperature raised to 177°C (350°F) @ 5°F/min.

When prepreg reached 350°F it was held 10-15 minutes under contact pressure, then 100-psi pressure was applied and held for 1 hour at these conditions.

At the end of one-hour cure, the mold was cooled to R.T. under pressure.

The laminate was demolded and post-cured in an air circulating oven as follows:

2 hours at 200°C (392°F)
6 hours at 250°C (482°F)

COMPOSITE PROPERTIES	Temp.°F (Condition)	System 1	System 2
	Short Beam Shear Strength, ksi		
	77	16.4	17.8
	350 (Dry)	11.0	11.9
	450 (Dry)	8.6	11.4
	350 (Wet*)	7.5	7.7
	77 (Aged**)	-	15.2
	350 (Aged**)	-	8.1
	Flexural Strength, ksi		
	77	-	270
	350 (Dry)	-	219
	350 (Wet*)	-	162.5
	Flexural Modulus, ksi		
	77	-	21,000
	350 (Dry)	-	21,000
	350 (Wet*)	-	21,800

Reinforcement, Graphite Fiber, Magnamite AS-3-12K, 65 V/O

* 2 weeks @ 160°F, 95% R.H.
** 1000 hrs @ 450°F

PACKAGING & STORAGE

Matrimid 5292 Component A is supplied in a 100 pound package and Component B is supplied in a 110 pound package. Matrimid 5292 System Components A and B should be stored at room temperature away from excessive heat and humidity in the original sealed container (actual expiration date appears on the label).

HANDLING/SAFETY PRECAUTION	**Caution : Skin and eye irritant.** Avoid contact with eyes, skin or clothing. Avoid breathing dust, vapor, mist or spray. Use with adequate ventilation. Wash after handling, and before eating, drinking, or smoking. Store in tightly closed containers. In accordance with good industrial practice, avoid unnecessary personal contact. For Component A, use fresh clothing daily. For Component B, remove wet contaminated, non-impervious clothing and wash before reuse. Destroy contaminated leather and absorbent shoes. **Read Material Safety Data Sheet Before Use.** **For Industrial Use Only.**
FIRST AID	**In case of contact :** **Eyes :** Promptly flush with water for at least 10 minutes. See a physician. **Skin :** Wash thoroughly with mild soap and water. **Inhalation :** Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. **Ingestion :** If conscious, give water and induce vomiting.

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