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Borealis BH381MO unique stiffness impacts sustainability





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BH381MO offers good processing and excellent mechanical performance.

High top load and good drop impact – ideal for pails

Borealis BH381MO is the solution for pails and other applications needing high stiffness together with good flow and impact. A tensile modulus of 1700 MPa, more than 150 MPa higher than that of similar standard grades, gives excellent top load performance also in higher temperatures, making the product ideal especially for hot filling applications.

Borealis BH381MO is produced through a combination of Borealis Borstar® PP polymerisation technology and Borstar® nucleation technology (BNT) to achieve this one-of-a-kind balance of properties. In addition to excellent stiffness, the product offers very good impact properties to ensure high drop performance and good pail quality.

Good flowability and economical production

Borealis BH381MO has a melt flow rate (MFR) of 35 g/10 min, but behaves like traditional MFR 45 grades due to the special polymer design. In addition to high flowability BNT offers very fast crystallisation and cooling of the material.

This combination of characteristics allows for lower processing temperatures and lower injection pressure including the ability to fill more complex parts. Lower processing temperatures and fast cooling result in reduced cycle time, leading to energy and cost savings.

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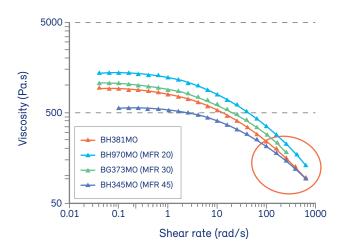


Figure 1: Flowability of Borealis BH381MO vs Borealis BH345MO (MFR 45)

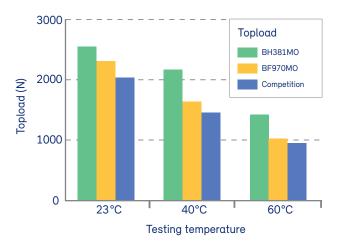


Figure 2: Top load performance of Borealis BH381MO in elevated temperatures, tested in 5 $\rm l$ pails

Recommended application areas

- Pails for food and paint, DIY and other consumables
- Pails for hot filling applications
- Houseware
- Caps & closure applications
- Coffee capsules
- Other applications requiring high stiffness and/or HDT without scarifying excellent impact properties

Benefits throughout the value chain

- Good top load, stacking and drop performance of finished pails of all sizes
- High stiffness, good flowability and good impact enables down gauging and weight reduction
- Energy and cost savings due to the lower processing temperatures and faster cooling and cycle times, and reduced carbon footprint thereof

Property	BH381MO	BF970MO	BH374MO	Unit
MFR	35	20	45	g/10 min
Tensile modulus	1,700	1,500	1,500	МРα
Charpy 23 °C	7	8.5	6.5	kJ/m²
Charpy 20°C	4	4.5	4	kJ/m²
HDT (0.45 N/mm2)	108	105	96	°C

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