

Product Data Sheet

PAL M-400

High density pseudoboehmite alumina

BASF PAL M-400 is a wide pore, high density pseudoboehmite alumina.

Description

BASF PAL M-400 is a pseudoboehmite alumina, also known as an aluminum monohydrate, AlO(OH). It is produced as a dry white powder with excellent fluidization characteristics. The powder is easily dispersed by most mulling operations. Extruded products exhibit good strength and high attrition resistance with predictable pore volume distribution.

Applications

Product uses vary among chemical, abrasive, and catalyst manufacturers. Outstanding properties include high purity (see chemical composition), reactivity, and excellent binding/bond formation. When heated to approximately 450-500°C, BASF PAL M-400 is converted into high porosity, high surface area gamma alumina.

Safety & handling

BASF PAL M-400 alumina is classified as nontoxic nuisance dust and does not produce significant organic diseases or toxic effect with reasonable exposure. Normal good housekeeping and operating procedures should ensure personnel safety. The data contained herein are for general informational purpose only. Please refer to the material safety data sheet for specific, complete information regarding these products.

Available Packaging

1000 kg super sacks

Chemical composition (wt %), typical				
Al ₂ O ₃	70			
Na ₂ O	<0.02			
SO ₄	<0.45			
LOI (1000°C)	25-33			

Physical properties, typical	
Aluminaphase	Pseudoboehmite
Loose bulk density (as is), kg/m³	650-750
Surface area, m²/g (1 hr @ 550°C)	320
Nitrogen pore volume (1 hr @ 550°C)	0.65
d50, microns	28-34

Temperature transformations - As PAL M-400 is heated the following transformations occur:				
@ 250°C	PAL M-400	\rightarrow	Non-dispersible PSB	
@ 350-450°C	Non-dispersible	\rightarrow	Gamma alumina	
@ 800-900°C	Gamma	\rightarrow	Delta/theta alumina	
@ 1000-1100°C	Theta	\rightarrow	Alpha conversion begins	
@ 1300-1600°C	Alpha (porous)	\rightarrow	Sintered alpha alumina	

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