## Epoxy Coatings: Curing with DYTEK® A amine vs. DETA Strong.Speedy. Sleek.

The methyl-branched, 5-carbon chain of DYTEK® A amine has two primary amines which exhibit differential reactivity. DYTEK® A amine is used in polyamide resins, hot melt adhesives, polyurethanes and epoxies. DYTEK® A amine is preferred for epoxy coatings when used as a formulated adduct and is particularly useful in the preparation of concrete sealers, glossy decorative floor coatings, flexible coatings, and outdoor applications where fast curing is desired.



DYTEK® A amine (2-methylpentamethylenediamine)



DETA (Diethylenetriamine)



## Coating cured with DYTEK® A amine:

- Low temperature curing and fast curing

   Allows coating application under adverse
   environmental conditions and provides fast drying time
- High toughness with increased flexibility

   Incorporates flexibility into coatings to minimize crack
   formation

## During processing:

 Low viscosity and low adduct viscosity for improved flow and leveling





Formula	Series A		Series B		Series C	
Resin	Epikote® 828		Epikote <sup>®</sup> 828 (Reactive diluted) <sup>1</sup>		Epikote® 828 (Reactive diluted) <sup>1</sup>	
Amine	DYTEK <sup>®</sup> A amine	DETA	DYTEK <sup>®</sup> A amine	DETA	DYTEK <sup>®</sup> A amine adduct <sup>2</sup>	DETA adduct <sup>2</sup>
Viscosity <sup>3</sup> , cP	900	1450	160	250	730	1020
Potlife <sup>4</sup> , t <sub>40°C</sub> , min	37	20	20	15	7	10
Gel Time <sup>5</sup> , t <sub>gel</sub> , min	55	40	45	30	20	30
Chemical Resistance	% weight gain after 4 weeks immersion at 23°C					
Demineralized Water	-0.17	0.17	0.29	0.14	1.11	1.20
10% Sodium Hydroxide	0.66	0.95	0.87	0.88	1.54	1.67
10% Hydrochloric Acid	1.56	1.81	4.41	2.61	5.63	3.45
10% Acetic Acid	7.44	1.83	12.52	4.24	30.89	8.96
Gasoline (DIN 51600)	0.20	0.48	0.20	0.39	0.70	0.57
Xylene	0.22	0.48	0.25	0.42	-0.54	0.53
Mechanical properties						
Tg(DSC), 2nd run, °C	115	136	83	95	43	60
Tg(DSC), 1st run, °C	97	117	81	89	38	58
HDT, °C	84.2	90	59.8	78.7	34.7	42.2
Shore D	78	84	78	82	78	82
Charpy, KJ/m <sup>2</sup>	14.5	17	<ul> <li><sup>1</sup> The Bisphenol A resin Epikote<sup>®</sup> 828 is modified with reactive diluent Grilonit<sup>®</sup> RV 1812.</li> <li><sup>2</sup> These adducts were prepared by reacting each diamine with Epikote<sup>®</sup> 828 resin in benzyl alcohol using a 5:1 molar ratio of diamine to resin.</li> <li><sup>3</sup> Viscosity was measured immediately after mixing the resin and amine.</li> <li><sup>4</sup> Gel time:Time for a 120 mL sample at 23°C to reach the gel point.</li> <li><sup>5</sup> Pot life:Time for a 100 mL sample at 23°C to reach 40°C.</li> </ul>			
Izod, KJ/m <sup>2</sup>	18.5	16				
Flexural Strength, MPa	102	116				
Elasticity Modulus, MPa	2550	2890				
Tensile Strength, MPa	69	81				
Elongation @ Break, %	6.6	7				

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