

(Fluorescent Whitening Agent for Polyester fibres and their blends)

Chemical Basis Aqueous dispersion of styrylbenzene derivative

Colour Index Number FWA C.I.199

**Ionicity** Non-ionic

Form Blush to Green dispersion

PH of a 10% dispersion 4.5 to 5.5

**Dispersion Properties**Miscible in cold water in all proportions

Shelf life When stored in its original sealed container,

Luminophore ERB, has a self-life of about 1 year.

Light fastness 5 - 6

## **SPECIAL PROPERTIES**

Excellent Whiteness Maximum

• Owing to its high yield, Luminophore ERB is very economical.

Luminophore ERB can exhibit very good suitability by exhaustion or padding process.

• Luminophore ERB, as dispersed in water, is neutral and stable to acids and alkalis, giving good optical whitening effect at a wide range of pH value (3.0 to 9.0)

• Luminophore ERB has an inherent Bluish hue, additions of a violet disperse dye, 0.1% to 0.2% on the weight of Luminophore ERB would help increase whiteness and adjust colour shade.

• Luminophore ERB exhausts almost completely under HT conditions. It has low affinity at the boil but uptake can be improved by addition of suitable carriers.

## **NOTES ON APPLICATION**

## **Exhaust application**

In the exhaust process it is recommended to heat the bath rapidly to  $90^{\circ}$  C, if the product is applied at  $100^{\circ}$  C, a suitable carrier must be added.

Carrier process 0.1% to 0.3% Luminophore ERB HT process (15-30 mins. at 130°C) 0.1% to 0.4% Luminophore ERB

## Continuous process (Pad Thermosolling)

Luminophore ERB produce an excellent brilliant white effect at thermosol temperature of 170°C to 210°C.

Curtains 1 to 5 g/l Luminophore ERB

Knitted fabrics 1 to 2 g/l Luminophore ERB (adjust pH to 3.5 of the liquor)

AS IS THE CASE WITH ALL DISPERSIONS, LUMINOPHORE ERB MAY TEND TO SETTLE DOWN ON PROLONGED STORAGE. IN SUCH A CASE, SIMPLE STIRRING SHALL RETURN THE PRODUCT TO ITS ORIGINAL FORM.





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