



FRX Polymers

Nofia[®] Polyphosphonates



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FRX Polymers is the producer and marketer of Nofia[®] Polyphosphonates, a unique non halogenated flame retardant additive

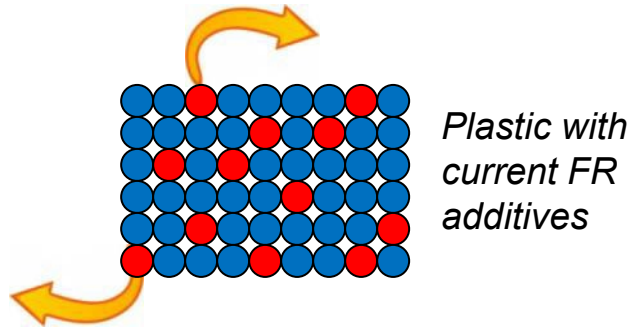
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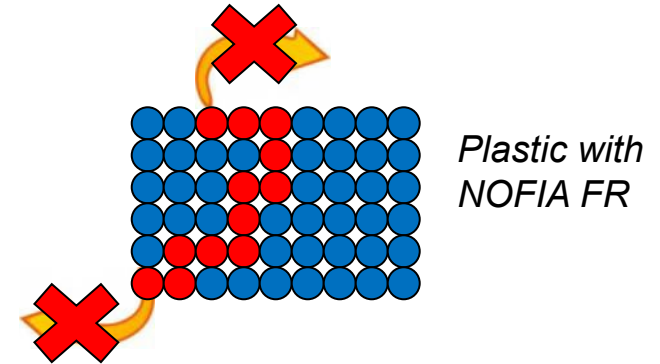
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NOFIA Polyphosphonates, A Unique FR Solution



Small molecules can end up in environment



Large molecules trapped in plastic

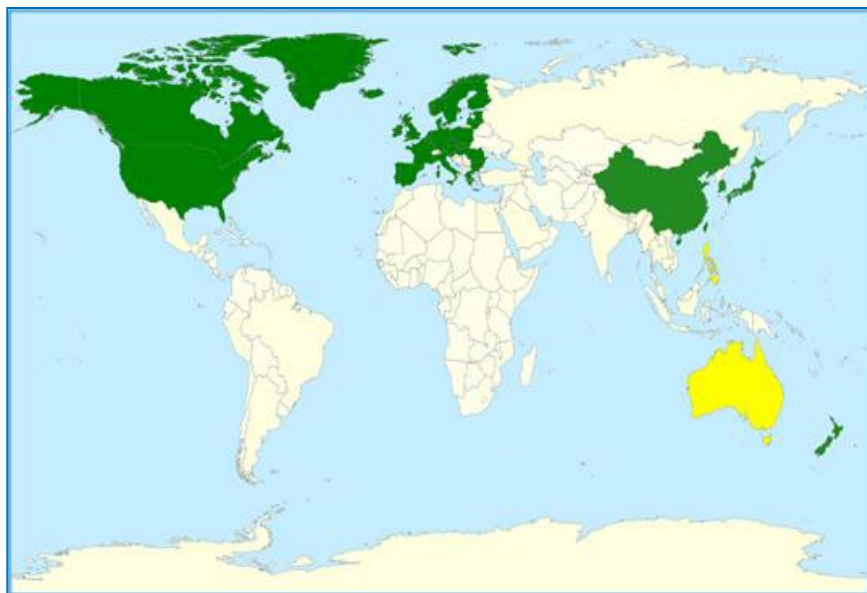
- Polymer:
 - **Permanent** and will not migrate out
 - **Minimal impact on host plastic** properties
 - Possible to use **plastic processing methods**
- Non-halogen flame retardant
- **High melt flow**
- **Transparent**
- Range of toughness



Nofia Phosphonates - Sustainable FRs

- NOFIA polyphosphonates are globally registered.
- All monomers are registered under REACH (production facility is in Europe)

- NOFIA polyphosphonates have favorable health profile and obtained a Benchmark Score of 3 in the GreenScreen assessment
- Recognized by the EPA as one of the alternatives for DecaBDE



Polyphosphonate was assigned a **Benchmark Score of 3** based on very high persistence. Data gaps (DG) exist for single dose systemic toxicity (ST-single), single dose neurotoxicity (N-single), and respiratory sensitization (SnR). Polyphosphonate meets requirements for a GreenScreen® Benchmark Score of 3 despite the hazard data gaps. In a worst-case scenario, if Polyphosphonate were assigned a high score for respiratory sensitization or a very high score for either single dose systemic toxicity or single dose neurotoxicity it would be categorized as a Benchmark 1 Chemical.

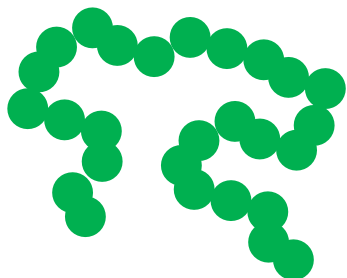
Green Screen Hazard Ratings: [Polyphosphonate]																	
Group I Human						Group II and II* Human						Ecotox		Fate		Physical	
C	M	R	D	E	AT	ST	N	SaS*	IsS	IE	AA	CA	P	B	Rx	F	
						single/repeated	single/repeated										
<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	DG	<i>L*</i>	DG	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>L</i>

Note: Hazard levels (Very High (vH), High (H), Moderate (M), Low (L), Very Low (vL)) in *italics* reflect estimated values, authoritative B lists, screening lists, weak analogues, and lower confidence. Hazard levels in **BOLD** font are used with good quality data, authoritative A lists, or strong analogues. Group II Human Health endpoints differ from Group II* Human Health endpoints in that they have four hazard scores (i.e., vH, H, M and L) instead of three (i.e., H, M and L), and are based on single exposures instead of repeated exposures.

*While DfE assigned a moderate score for repeat dose toxicity due to possibility of lung overloading as a result of dust forming operations, it has been concluded that this is not a likely exposure scenario based on identified uses and therefore has not been included in the GreenScreen assessment.

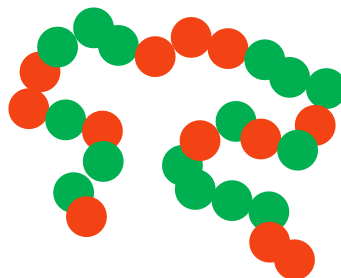
FRX Polymers' Products - Characteristics

Nofia Homopolymer



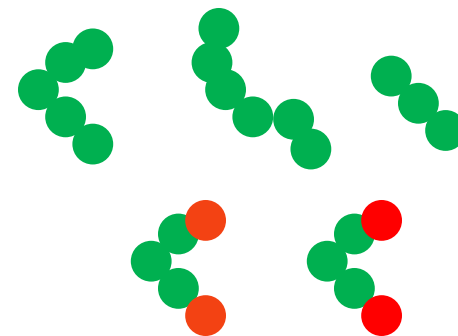
- Polyphosphonate (P ~ 11wt%)
- High molecular weight (40-100,000 g/mole, PS)
- Tg ~ 100-105°C
- Plastic pellets
- Typically used as blend component in plastics

Nofia Copolymers



- Polyphosphonate-co-carbonate (P ~ 3-7 wt%)
- High molecular weight (40-100,000 g/mole, PS)
- Tg ~ 120-135°C
- Plastic pellets
- Used as stand alone polymer or blend component in plastics

Nofia Oligomers



- Phosphonate oligomers
- Tailored end groups
- Low molecular weight (1,000 – 6,000 g/mole)
- 35 - 70 mg KOH/g
- Solid white material
- Used as reactive ingredient in thermoset applications



Tip – Polyphosphonates “sweet spot”

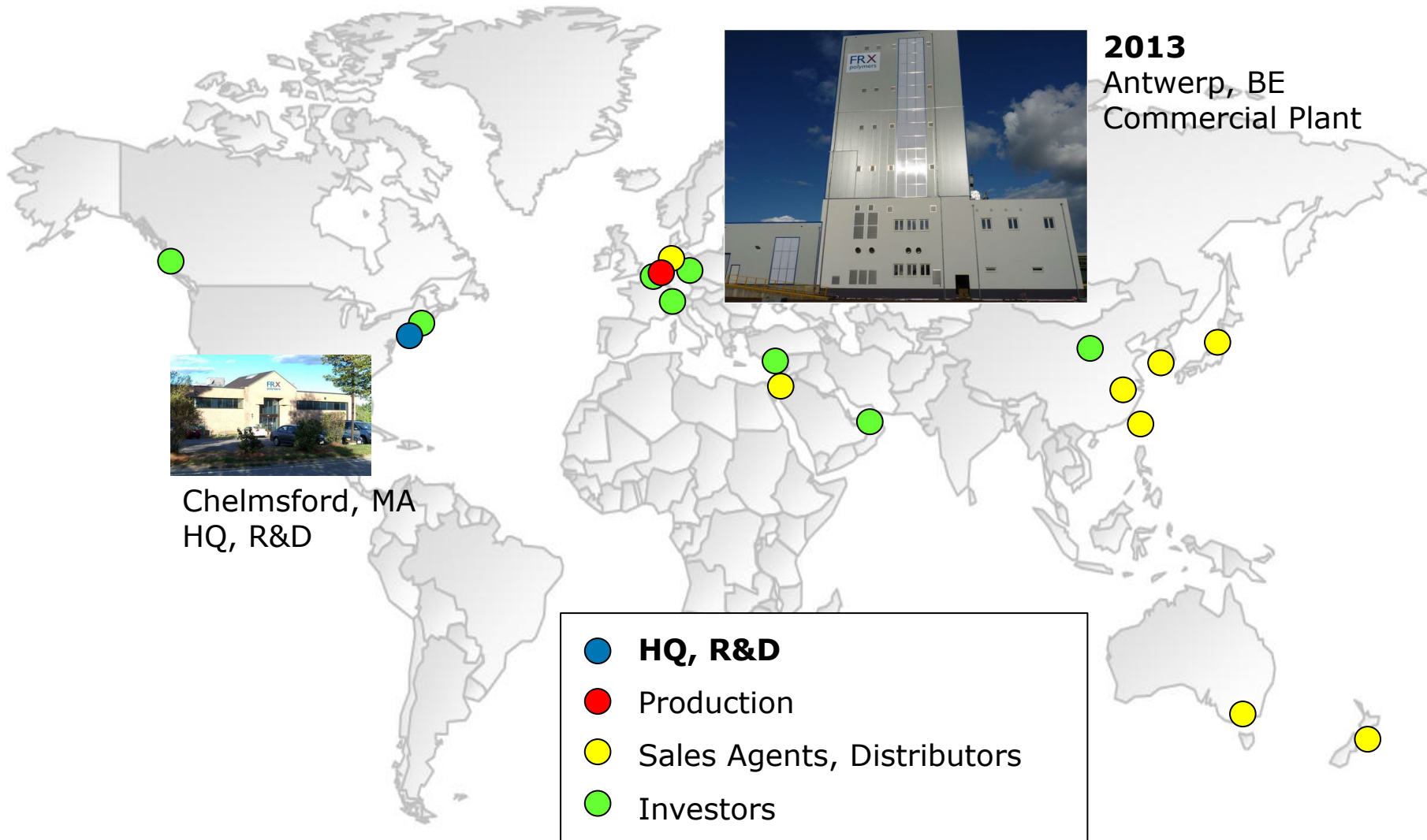
- **Thermoplastic Polyesters**
 - PET including recycle
 - Fiber, film, foam, molding
 - PC and PC blends- retention/ enhancement of properties
 - PBT (with co- FRs and synergists)
- **Thermosets**
 - PU- foams and coatings
 - Epoxy- composites and laminates
- **Beneficial to other polymer systems with Co-FRs and synergists**



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