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# ELEVATE THE DESIGN OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES WITH SABIC'S ULTEM™ DT1820EV RESIN



Consumer Electronics companies often use combinations of glass and metal in their flagship products to provide a high-end, differentiated design to the consumer. However, designing with metal can result in potentially high costs and long production cycles. ULTEM DT1820EV resin may provide an alternative to metal – a lower cost solution that offers comparable performance and similar appearance.

## POTENTIAL ADVANTAGES OF ULTEM DT1820EV RESIN FOR PRODUCT DESIGN

	High flowability for thin-wall design
	Excellent colorful metallization using Physical Vapor Deposition (PVD)
$\bigotimes$	High surface hardness with good anti-scratch performance
	High gloss surface with high modulus
	Inherent flame retardancy
	Good UV and chemical resistance

### PERFORMANCE ADVANTAGES OF ULTEM™ DT1820EV RESIN

High performance ULTEM DT1820EV resin supports thin-wall, high gloss designs and is an excellent candidate for metal replacement thanks to its surface hardness, good mechanical performance and resistance to UV and chemicals.



#### HIGH FLOWABILITY FOR THIN-WALL DESIGN

Well-suited for thin-wall and complex design with weld line elimination





HIGH GLOSS SURFACE WITH HIGH MODULUS

ULTEM DT1820EV resin has high surface gloss with low surface roughness



HIGH SURFACE HARDNESS

ULTEM DT1820EV resin shows good anti-scratch and high surface hardness



GOOD CHEMICAL RESISTANCE

ULTEM DT1820EV resin passes the anodization process and has good resistance to sunscreen



# COLORFUL METALLIZATION USING PHYSICAL VAPOR DEPOSITION (PVD)

Because of its high modulus and surface hardness, ULTEM™ DT1820EV resin is well-suited for metallization using sputtering PVD. The excellent appearance and good mechanical properties can help to replace metals and may reduce production costs.

## ULTEM DT1820EV RESIN IS WELL SUITED FOR PVD SPUTTERING



Metallization (NCVM) used with glass fiber filled polycarbonate (PC). PVD provides a better metallic appearance than NCVM and since color is determined by the PVD layer, this method can eliminate the 3 coating steps used in NCVM. In addition, ULTEM DT1820EV resin's high heat resistance enables the use of higher temperatures in the PVD process which can improve adhesion and cycle time.

#### SIMPLIFICATION OF THE METALLIZATION PROCESS



# BENEFITS OF ULTEM DT1820EV RESIN IN COMBINATION WITH PVD METALLIZATION

High gloss surface with excellent metallic appearance		Glass fiber filled polycarbonate can have a lower quality metallic appearance due to floating fibers
High modulus and hardness with excellent PVD process compatibility		Polycarbonate is more easily scratched and the metal layer may crack due to substrate deformation
High heat resistance		ULTEM resin supports high temperature PVD with better adhesion and shorter cycle time
Small difference in coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE) with PVD layer	>>	ULTEM resin gives excellent adhesion between PVD layer and the thermoplastic substrate

# KEY MATERIAL PROPERTIES ULTEM™ DT1820EV RESIN

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Mechanical properties						
Flexural Modulus, 1.27mm/min	MPa		3190			
Flexural stress at break, 1.27mm/min	MPa	ASTM D790	166			
Tensile modulus, 50mm/min	MPa		3150			
Tensile stress at break, 50mm/min	MPa	ASTM D638	80			
Tensile strain at break, 50mm/min	%		25			
Pencil hardness, 1kg	-	ASTM D 3363	F			
Impact properties						
Notched impact, 23°C	J/m	ASTM D256	40			
Un-notched impact, 23°C	J/m	ASTM D4812	2097			
Instrumented Dart Impact Total Energy, 23°C	J	ASTM D3763	68			
Thermal						
HDT, 0.45MPa, unannealed	°C	ASTM D648	182			
Vicat soften temp, Rate B/50	°C	ASTM D1525	184			
CTE, 23°C to 150°C, flow	1/°C	ASTM E831	55			
CTE, 23°C to 150°C, xflow	1/°C	ASTM E831	58			
Physical properties						
MFR, 337°C/6.7kg	g/10min	ASTM D1238	53			
Specific gravity	-	ASTM D792	1.285			

# SABIC ISCC+ CERTIFIED RENEWABLE ULTEM RESIN SOLUTIONS

A new portfolio of bio-based ULTEM resins that delivers a lower carbon footprint while offering the same high performance and processability as incumbent ULTEM materials is now available.



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