POLYVEST® ST-E IN TRUCK TIRES

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Performance tests of POLYVEST® ST-E in typical silica-reinforced tire tread compounds

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Composition	Reference	with POLYVEST® ST-E 60	with POLYVEST® ST-E 100
Natural rubber	100.0	100.0	100.0
Silica (ULTRASIL® 7000 GR)	55	55	55
Sulfur-silane (Si 266°)	5.0	4.0	4.0
POLYVEST° EP ST-E 60	-	7.5	-
POLYVEST° EP ST-E 100	-	-	7.5
Sulfur	2.0	2.0	2.0
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Further additives and process aids are included

Mixing procedure

Mixing Unit: HF Mixing Group GmbH, Type GK 1,5E

Stage 1 (65 rpm, batchtemp 145-160 °C)

0.0 - 0.5′ polymers

0.5 - 1.0′ TMQ, 6PPD

1.0 - 2.0′ 1/2 silica, silane(s), ZnO

2.0 - 2.0′ lift, clean

2.0 - 3.0′ a) add CB to POLYVEST® ST-E

 \rightarrow add mixture to the mixer

b) add 1/2 silica

c) add remaining chemicals

3.0 - 3.0′ clean

3.0 - 5.0′ mix and keep temp. at 145-160 °C by adjusting RPM

Stage 2: (batchtemp: 145-160 °C)

0.0 - 1.0' 1st batch stage

1.0 - 3.0^{\prime} $\,$ mix and keep temp. at 145-160 °C by adjusting RPM $\,$

3.0 - 3.0′ dump, 45 sec. on open mill (4 mm nip), sheet out

Stage 3: (batchtemp. 90-110 °C)

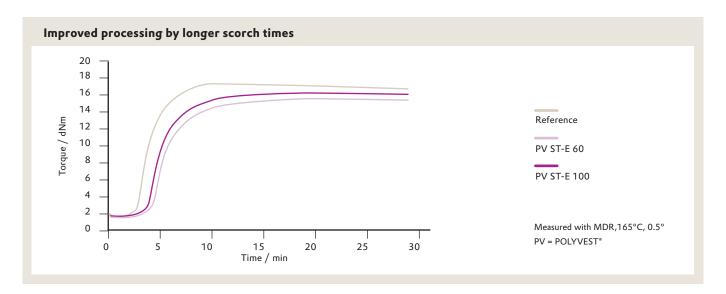
0.0 - 2.0′ 2nd batch stage, accelerators, sulfur

2.0 - 2.0′ dump batch and process on mill during 20 sec.

with 3 - 4 mm nip.

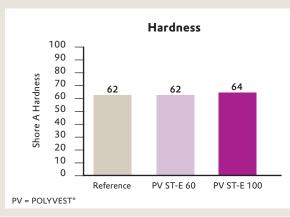
cut 3 x left, 3 x right, roll up and pass through a

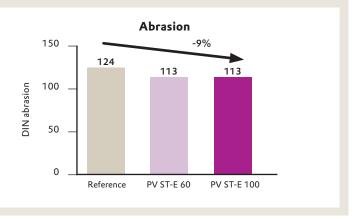
3 mm nip 3 x sheet off



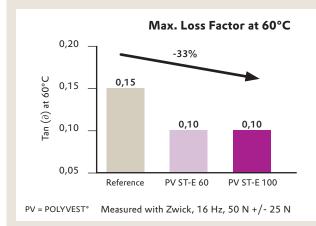


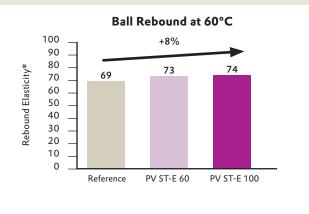
Higher wear resistance as shown by reduced DIN abrasion at constant Shore A hardness



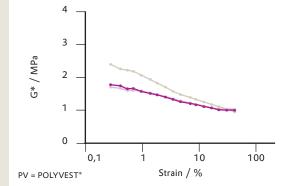


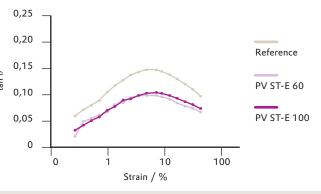
Improved fuel efficiency as indicated by reduced loss factor and higher ball rebound





Reduced Payne effect as shown by RPA strain sweep at 60°C





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