

Ebecryl[®] 3639

a novel flexible epoxy acrylate

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Ebecryl 3639 is a special epoxy acrylate characterized by high flexibility, very good reactivity and outstanding scratch and chemical resistances, though still keeping the typical cost-effectiveness of epoxy-acrylate chemistry

Graphics

- Flexo inks
- Screen inks
- Overprint varnishes

Industrial Coatings

- Resilient flooring
- Paper upgrading
- Coatings on plastics
- Coatings on wood

CYTEC Ebecryl® 3639 benefits

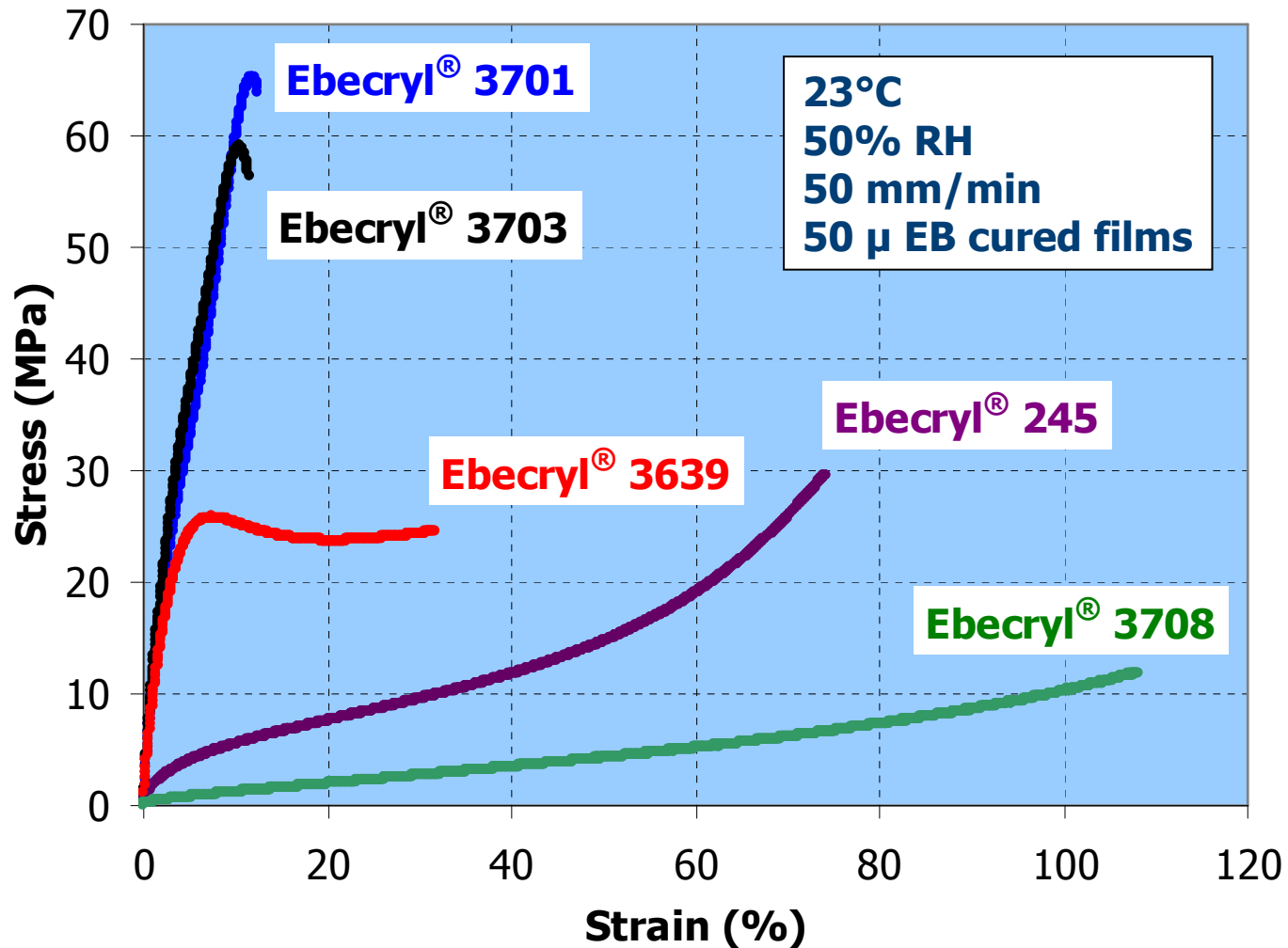
- High flexibility
- Very good reactivity
- Outstanding scratch resistance
- Excellent chemical resistance

CYTEC Ebecryl® 3639 typical values

Cone & plate viscosity at 25°C	15.500 mPa.s
Colour	2 Gardner
Density	1.15 g/ml
DPGDA content	30 to 35%
Functionality	2

CYTEC Ebecryl[®] 3639 mechanical properties

Stress-strain curves comparing Eb3639 with other flexible radiation-curable oligomers



In Graphics applications

Oligomer	Chemistry*	Pure oligomer Viscosity (mPa.s)	% HDDA dilution used in OPV test formulation	Viscosity OPV (+ 5% Additol® BCPK)	Reactivity (m/min), 20 µm K-bar, 120 W/cm Hg
Ebecryl® 3639	EA	15500	15	2100	70
Ebecryl® 204	aromatic UA	28400	20	2150	2x20
Ebecryl® 205	aromatic UA	35700	19	2380	2x20
Ebecryl® 245	aliphatic UA	83000	25	2440	< 10x20
Ebecryl® 524	diluted PE	60000	20	2130	2x20
Ebecryl® 745	full acrylics	20000	23	2560	4x20
Ebecryl® 3701	EA	2000000	32	2490	2x20
Ebecryl® 3708	EA	170000	26	2590	2x20
Ebecryl® 5129	aliphatic UA	15300	15	2130	20

* EA = epoxy-acrylate, UA = urethane-acrylate, PE = polyester

CYTEC Ebecryl® 3639 physical performances

In Graphics applications

Folding test: 60 µm EB cured free film, checking for cracks



Creasing test: same conditions as above



Scratch resistance: evaluated with Mickle rub tester on UV cured 15 µm film

Rating given from 0=poor to 5=very good

Oligomer	Type*	Flexibility		
		Folding test	Creasing test	Scratch resistance
Ebecryl® 3639	EA	4	3	4
Ebecryl® 204	aromatic UA	3	3	3
Ebecryl® 205	aromatic UA	3	3	2
Ebecryl® 245	aliphatic UA	4	4	2
Ebecryl® 524	diluted PE	2	0	0
Ebecryl® 745	full acrylics	2	0	0
Ebecryl® 3701	EA	2	0	2
Ebecryl® 3708	EA	4	4	2
Ebecryl® 5129	aliphatic UA	0	0	4

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CYTEC Ebecryl® 3639 chemical & scratch resistance

in Industrial Coatings applications

**Formulation: 70/30/4 oligomer/HDDA/Additol® BCPK
 15 µ applied on Leneta® paper, cured 2 x reactivity
 16 h exposure to chemicals
 rating given from 0=severe damage to 5=no trace**

Oligomer	Type*	Distilled water	Ethanol (48 % in water)	Ammonia (10 %)	Oil	Scratch resistance (10 steel wool double rubs)
Ebecryl® 3639	EA	5	5	4 to 5	5	4
Ebecryl® 204	aromatic UA	5	5	5	5	4
Ebecryl® 205	aromatic UA	5	5	5	5	2
Ebecryl® 245	aliphatic UA	5	5	5	5	3
Ebecryl® 524	diluted PE	5	1	4	5	1
Ebecryl® 745	full acrylics	5	5	5	5	1
Ebecryl® 3701	EA	5	5	5	5	3
Ebecryl® 3708	EA	5	5	4 to 5	5	3
Ebecryl® 5129	aliphatic UA	5	5	5	5	5

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CYTEC Ebecryl® 3639 conclusions

- **Ebecryl® 3639** shows **high flexibility**:
Ebecryl® 245, 3708 > **Ebecryl® 3639** >> Ebecryl® 524, 745, 5129, 3701, 3703
- **Ebecryl® 3639** gives outstanding **scratch and chemical resistance** similar to hexafunctional urethane acrylates such as Ebecryl® 5129
- **Ebecryl® 3639** exhibits one of the **highest cure speed** among the radiation curable oligomers typically used in coatings and inks