

ZEON Begins Marketing Polyisoprene Rubber Emulsion Nipol® ME Series

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ZEON CORPORATION (President and CEO: Naozumi Furukawa) has succeeded in applying polyisoprene emulsion to a line of commercial products using its proprietary emulsion production technology and has begun marketing these products as the “Nipol® ME Series.”

ZEON’s polyisoprene rubber (Nipol® IR) is used as raw material for the Nipol® ME Series. Nipol® ME is suitable for highly pliant, tight-fitting products that require tensile strength and tear strength equivalent to natural rubber. In addition, while natural rubber has been a source of growing concern in recent years as a cause of Type I allergic reactions, the Nipol® ME Series does not contain the proteins found in natural rubber latex. The series is therefore expected to serve as an alternative line of materials for surgical gloves and medical devices.

ZEON’s synthetic latex products, particularly its NBR latex, are widely used for gloves for various industries. With the introduction of the Nipol® ME Series, ZEON intends to pursue technological development in the glove market and to consistently develop diverse emulsion products toward its goal of providing uncompromising quality control and stable supply.



Surgical glove made of Nipol[®]ME

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