

# Acronal<sup>®</sup> 296 D na

### Chemical Nature

**Aqueous butyl acrylate-styrene copolymer dispersion used to produce all types of adhesives, coatings, textured finishes, and surfacing compounds**

### Properties

#### Typical Properties

Solids content, weight	%	49.0 – 51.0
pH		7.5 – 8.5
Viscosity at 23 °C	mPa s	6000 – 8500
(Brookfield RV and Helipath Stand, Spindle TA, at 20 rpm)		

#### Other properties of the dispersion

Density	lbs/gal	ca. 8.66
	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	ca. 1.04
Average particle size	µm	ca. 0.1
Film-forming temperature	°F	ca. 68 min.
	°C	ca. 20
Dispersion type		anionic
Plasticizer content		free from plasticizer
Filler/pigment acceptance		very good
Sensitivity to frost	°F	below 32
	°C	below 0

#### Properties of the film

Density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	ca. 1.08
Glass transition temperature (DSC)	°C	ca. 22
Water absorption	%	ca. 10
(After 24 hours immersion in water)		
Mechanical strength*		
Tensile strength	psi	ca. 1000
	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	ca. 7
Elongation at break	%	ca. 500
Appearance		clear, transparent
Surface		tack free
Flexibility		good
Resistance to aging		good

\*These figures should be taken for comparison purposes only. They furnish only a rough comparison of film strengths.

### Compatible with

#### Polymer dispersions

Acronal 296 D na is miscible with nonionic and anionic mixtures with poly(vinylester) dispersions, but the films of mixtures with poly(vinylester) dispersions generally become cloudy. The product has excellent properties, and advantages are seldom obtained by mixing it with other dispersions.

#### Thickeners

Rheovis<sup>®</sup> AS 1125 NA, Rheovis<sup>®</sup> AS 1420, polyvinyl alcohol, cellulose ether

#### Coalescents

Methylbenzyl alcohol; Lusolvan<sup>®</sup> FBH; butyldiglycol; butyldiglycol acetate; mineral spirit containing aromatic hydrocarbons; pine oil. Ethylene and propylene glycol ethers, Texanol<sup>®</sup>, and Loxanol<sup>®</sup> brand non-VOC film formers.

## *Fillers*

Amorphous and crystalline calcium carbonate, dolomite, silica flour, fine sand, etc. The good compatibility of Acronal 296 D na with pigments and fillers can be further improved by adding Pigment Disperser A or N if necessary in conjunction with sodium polyphosphate. The made-up compounds can be tinted, for instance, with our water-dispersible Luconyl® preparations (inorganic and organic pigments).

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## **Application**

### ***Fields of application***

Acronal 296 D na is used for producing high-gloss to flat coatings for application on plaster, masonry, fibrous cement, concrete, and other indoor and outdoor substrates. Moreover, its high pigment binding capacity makes Acronal 296 D na an ideal candidate for textured coatings and masonry paints. The high pigment binding capacity allows Acronal 296 D na to replace vinyl acrylics in many applications with improved performance at the same formulated cost.

### ***Processing***

Coatings are generally produced in high-speed mixers (e.g., dissolvers) by predispersing the filler/pigment mixture, incorporating the auxiliaries, and adding the dispersion as the last component. However, the high shear stability of Acronal 296 D na enables the latex to be used as a part of the grind base, thereby freeing water in the formulation.

In any case, it is necessary to disperse the fillers and pigments with sufficient wetting and dispersing agents (Dispex® AA 4030 Dispex® AA 4135 NA, or water-soluble phosphates, etc.) in order to obtain products with adequate storage stability.

The film-forming temperature of Acronal 296 D na can be reduced even further by adding solvents: for instance, Texanol, Butyl Carbitol, Butyl Cellosolve, and similar materials.

Lower alcohols and glycols improve the resistance to frost, but generally do not reduce the film-forming temperature.

A thickening agent must generally be added for adjusting the viscosity of the end product. Rheovis® AS 1420, Rheovis® AS 1125 NA, cellulose ether or other mineral thickening agents can be used for this purpose. These products not only increase the yield point, but also impart more or less pronounced pseudoplasticity to the end products. If Newtonian flow and good spreading properties are required, it is necessary to add a thickener based on polyurethane in conjunction with aqueous water-miscible film-forming auxiliaries.

In common with all dispersions of small particle size, Acronal 296 D na has a tendency to foam, and it is generally necessary to add a conventional defoamer in proportions of 0.3-1%.

Products containing Acronal 296 D na should be blended with a preservative in order to protect them from the attack of microorganisms. The suitability of the preservative must be determined by trials and regular inspections.

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## **Safety**

### ***General***

The usual safety precautions when handling chemicals must be observed. These include the measures described in Federal, State and Local health and safety regulations, thorough ventilation of the workplace, good skin care and wearing of protective goggles.

### ***Safety Data Sheet***

All safety information is provided in the Safety Data Sheet for Acronal 296 D na.

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## **Storage**

Storage should be in accordance with the "Handling and Storage of polymer dispersions" brochure. Technical information regarding the storage of BASF polymer dispersion products is available upon request.

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