

NEWS ALERT

Cortec's EcoCorr® ESD Film receives WorldStar 2006 Innovation Award in Stockholm, Sweden!

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Cortec® Corporation (Minnesota, USA) is pleased to announce that its latest technology innovation, EcoCorr® ESD Film, a 100% biodegradable corrosion-inhibiting, static-dissipative film has received the prestigious [WorldStar 2006 award](#) in the electronics category from among 265 applicants from 35 countries.

"WorldStars are presented only to those packages which, having already won recognition in a national competition, are compared by an expert panel of judges to similar packages from around the world. Awards are based on the judges' consensus that a package is superior in its own right, and better in its class in execution or innovation by comparison" states the World Packaging Organizations website.

"Customer demands and environmental regulations have encouraged the invention of truly disruptive technologies, products and concepts. This type of development takes significant time and capital investment, but the successful introduction of EcoCorr® ESD Film and its platform, biodegradable polymer technology, is a testament to the viability of these projects" stated Boris Miksic, founder and CEO of Cortec®.

EcoCorr® ESD Film is the latest addition to Cortec's full line of biodegradable films that are sold worldwide in forms ranging from retail packaging in Canada, agricultural packaging films in the United Kingdom, to automotive component transit and storage protection in Sweden. EcoCorr® ESD Film is covered by several USA and International patents.



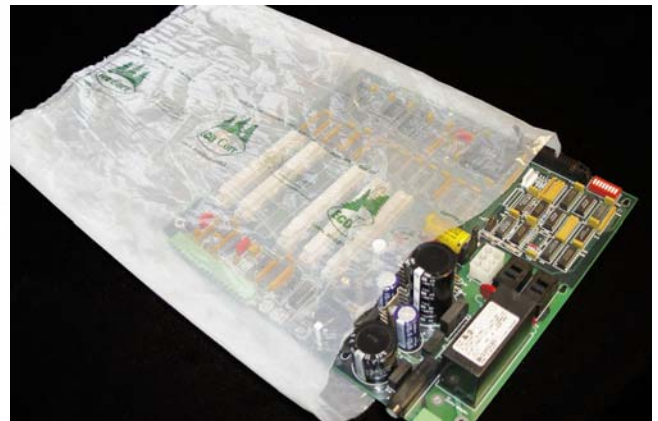
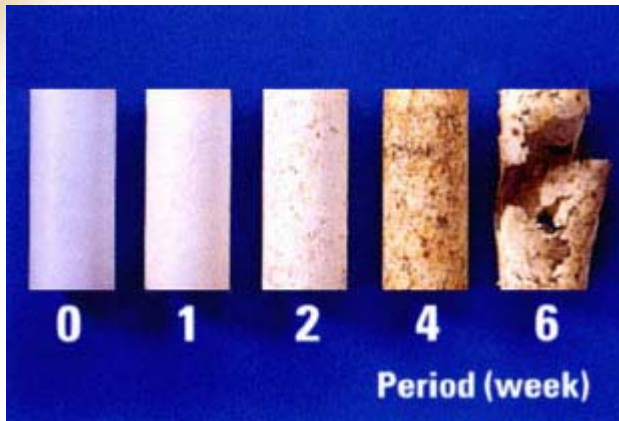
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HIGH PERFORMANCE VpCI PACKAGING

EcoCorr[®] ESD

Biodegradable VpCI Static Dissipative Film and Bags



PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

EcoCorr[®] ESD is a 100% biodegradable and compostable film utilizing Cortec's patented VpCI[®] technology along with eliminating static electricity. In addition to offering 100% biodegradability, 100% compostability and VpCI[®] technology, EcoCorr[®] ESD provides better tensile strength, tear strength and ultimate elongation than low density polyethylene films. EcoCorr[®] ESD is also heat and water stable and does not disintegrate or break apart while in use.

EcoCorr[®] ESD provides contact, barrier, Vapor phase Corrosion Inhibitor (VpCI[®]) and anti-stat protection for up to two years depending on storage conditions. Once exposed to soil or compost conditions, EcoCorr[®] ESD will disintegrate rapidly (within weeks) and completely without contaminating the soil.

TYPICAL PROPERTIES of blown film, 2 mils (50 microns)

Property	Test method	Unit	Value	
			Eco-Corr ESD	LDPE
Melting point	DSC	°C	110-115	111
Transparency	ASTM D-1003	%	82	89
Tensile strength (MD/CD)	ISO 527	N/mm ²	32/36	26/20
Ultimate elongation (MD/CD)	ISO 527	%	580/820	300/600
Failure energy (Dyna-Test)	DIN 53373	J/mm	14.3	5.5
Permeation rates: oxygen	DIN 53380	Cm ³ /m ² d·bar	1600	2900

FEATURES

- The first and only 100% biodegradable, 100% compostable packaging film that provides contact, barrier and vapor corrosion inhibition
- Provides multimetal corrosion inhibitor protection
- Extremely elastic
- Complete replacement for non-degradable and inferior blend films
- Meets ASTM D 6400-99, the standard used by DIN Certco, BPS, BPI and others
- Compostable Testing under DIN V 54 900
- Plant Growth Testing under RAL GZ 251
- Ground Water Testing under DIN 38412 Part 30
- Static Decay rate conformance to MIL-PRF-81705D

MILITARY STANDARDS

**MIL-PRF-81705D
Federal Test Methods No. 101C, Method 4046**

	Surface Resistivity (Ohm/Sq)		Static Decay Rate (sec)	
	Limit 1.0 x 10 ⁹ to 1.0 x 10 ¹²			
	Outside	Inside	+5000 Volts	-5000 Volts
Sample 1	9.1 x 10 ⁹	9.0 x 10 ⁹	0.03	0.03
Sample 2	1.0 x 10 ¹⁰	9.4 x 10 ⁹	0.03	0.03
Sample 3	9.2 x 10 ⁹	1.0 x 10 ¹⁰	0.02	0.03
Sample 4	1.0 x 10 ¹⁰	8.0 x 10 ⁹	0.03	0.03
Sample 5	1.1 x 10 ¹⁰	9.2 x 10 ⁹	0.03	0.03
Sample 6	1.0 x 10 ¹⁰	9.6 x 10 ⁹	0.03	0.03



APPLICATIONS

Metal parts packaged in EcoCorr® ESD receive continuous protection against salt, excessive humidity, condensation, moisture, aggressive industrial atmosphere and dissimilar metal corrosion. The Vapor phase Corrosion Inhibitors vaporize and then condense on all metal surfaces in the enclosed package. VpCI® reaches every area of your part, protecting its exterior as well as hard to reach interior surfaces. You get complete product protection during storage as well as during domestic and overseas shipments, virtually eliminating any rust claims.

Once the film is no longer needed, EcoCorr® ESD can be composted and will degrade into carbon dioxide and water within weeks.

SHELF LIFE

For shipping and storage applications, EcoCorr® ESD is a great alternative to conventional polyethylene films. EcoCorr® Anti-Stat has a shelf life of up to two years, when sealed in original packaging.

Once removed and put to use, EcoCorr® ESD will remain effective with regard to mechanical strength until film is placed in contact with material containing microorganisms, such as certain types of waste, soil, and compost. Under these conditions, 100% disintegration will occur within a few weeks with no residual contamination of the soil.

PACKAGING

EcoCorr® ESD is available in standard length 36" (91.4cm) and 48" (122 cm) rolls as well as a wide variety of custom sizes and forms. Custom products include single wound sheeting, double wound sheeting, U-sheets, M-sheets, center folds, gusset tubes, converted bags made from these types of film and perforated or bag-on-a-roll products.

FOR INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

KEEP CONTAINER TIGHTLY CLOSED

NOT FOR INTERNAL CONSUMPTION

CONSULT MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET FOR MORE INFORMATION

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