



Technical / applicative comparison between pure and modified cellulose ethers

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Differences between Pentachem's cellulose ethers for adhesives:

- **PENTA EC 4119 (30.000 – 40.000 mPa.s)**

- Mortars for gas-beton;
- C1 class tile adhesives;
- Self-wetting adhesives;
- Mortars for ETICS

- **PENTA EC 4111 (30.000 – 35.000 mPa.s)**

- Smooth finishes and mortars for ETICS

- **PENTA EC 4120 (17.000 – 21.000 mPa.s)**

- Cement-based adhesives from C1 premium to C2TES1

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PURE – are made of cotton or wood pulp

+ good resistance to adhesion with low % of RDP

- low water uptake
- reduced open time
- high vertical slip
- short recording time
- sticky rheology

classes C0 and C1

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MODIFIED - derive from hpmc or hcmc + characterizing substitutions

+ high resistance to adhesion for all the classes of adhesives

+ high water uptake of the admixtures

+ extended open time (E class)

+ vertical slip equals to zero (T class)

+ long recording time

+ easy to trowel with excellent rheology

+ improves water and heat resistance and adhesion strength

all the classes (from C1TE and up)

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C2 TE

	Dos. (%)	data	HPMC pure	PENTA EC 4120
Cem. 52.5	35,0	Initial adhesion	1.5 Mpa	1,25 Mpa
Silica sand (0,3 – 0,5 mm)	57,3	Adhesion after 30'	0,3 Mpa	1,05 Mpa
		Heat	1,02 Mpa	1,25 Mpa
Filler (< 90 μ)	5,0	Water	1,05 Mpa	1,20 Mpa
RDP	2,0	Vertical slip	falls	0,25 mm
Ca for	0,3			
Cellulose ether	0,4			

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C2TE S1

	Dos. (%)	data	HPMC pure	PENTA EC 4120
Cem. 52.5	35,0	Initial adhesion	1.8 Mpa	2,10 Mpa
Silica sand (0,3 – 0,5 mm)	54,95	Adhesion after 30'	0,2 Mpa	0,91 Mpa
Filler (< 90 μ)	5,0	Heat	1,20 Mpa	1,80 Mpa
RDP	4,0	Water	0,80 Mpa	1,10 Mpa
Ca for	0,6	Vertical slip	falls	0,35 mm
Cellulose ether	0,45			

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Resistance to adhesion test:

(internal test)

Result: T 5' 1,45 N/mm²

Norm: T 5' > 1,00 N/mm²

Result: T 30' 0,88 N/mm²

Norm: T 30' > 0,60 N/mm²

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Vertical slip resistance test for the definition of T class :

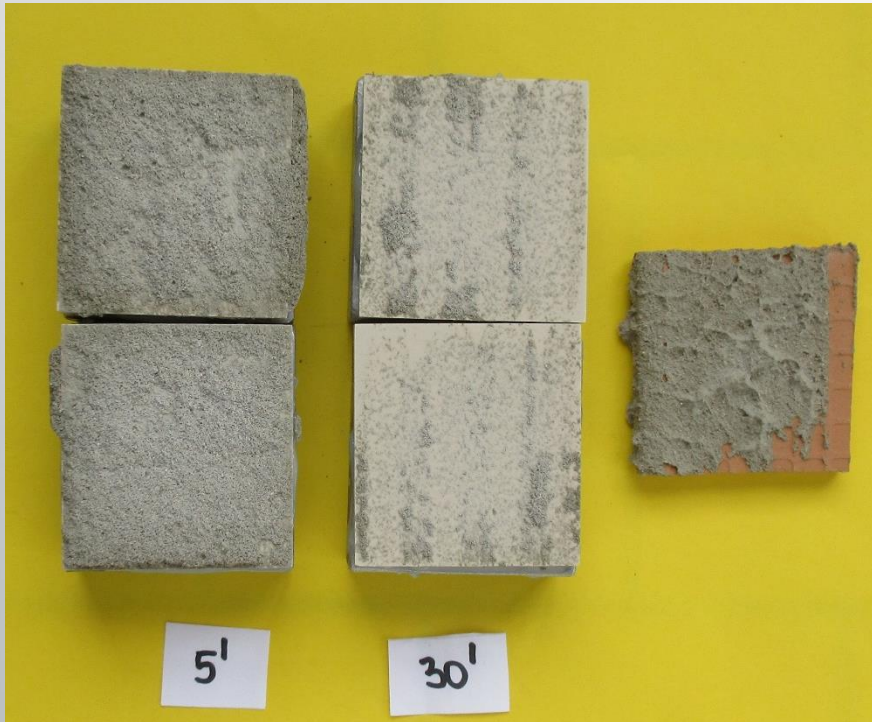
(internal test)

Result: 0 mm

Norm: < 0,5 mm



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Transferability test at 30', i.e. the % of coverage of the tile by the adhesive after 30'

Recordability test, i.e. the ability to rotate the tile by 45° after 30'

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excellent rheology and easy application



Technical insight into the new cellulose ether PENTA EC 4120

	Data	Methods
Composition:	Methyl Hydroxypropyl cellulose	
State:	Powder	Visual
Colour:	Ivory white	Visual
Bulk density:	0.450 ± 0.100 kg/dm ³	IST. 10.07
Granulometry:	Min. 90% < 0.180 mm	IST. 10.09
Humidity:	Max. 4,0%	IST. 10.04
Water solubility:	Totally soluble	IST. 10.21
Hydrogen-ion concentration (pH):	7,0 – 8,0	IST. 10.05
Water retention:	min. 65% after 8 min.	IST. 10.08
Viscosity at 20°C:	17.000 ÷ 21.000 mPa.s (solution 2% Brookfield RV, spindle 6, 20 rpm)	IST. 10.30
Surface activity:	Weak	



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