

Designing for manufacturability, cleanability, and serviceability

Early engagement with Eastman accelerates commercialization of your projects.

WHAT TO ASK

Key questions for design phase

- **What bar of disinfection will be required?**
Based on the expected use of this device, (e.g., is *C. diff* a risk? If so, it needs to stand up to bleach.)
- **What is the anticipated life of the device?**
- **During that time, how often is it likely to be cleaned/ disinfected?**
Multiple times a day?
Weekly? Monthly?
- **Are there materials available that are more durable to repeated exposure to disinfectants?**
Test those materials.
- **What is the cost of repairs/ replacement vs. incremental material/design costs to enable easy cleaning and disinfection?**



Natus housing features easy-to-clean curved edges and touchscreen panel.

WHAT TO AVOID

Design element choices may hinder the cleaning and disinfecting process.

- **Sharp edges**
A torn glove can be life threatening!
- **Grooves**
- **Places where disinfectants can pool**
- **Very thin parts**
- **Knobs/buttons that protrude**
Touchscreens and membrane keypads are preferred.
- **Texture**
Some surface texture improves grip, but too much holds bacteria and is hard to clean.
- **Paint**
Paint gets damaged over time and starts to look bad.
- **Hard-to-clean designs**
Think about how the part will be cleaned before finalizing the design—then try to clean the prototype yourself.

Eastman Design Services assistance

- Part design critiques
- Mold design assistance
- End-use testing
- Failure analysis
- Secondary operations
- Mold-filling simulation (Moldflow®)
- 3D design (SolidWorks)
- Structural finite element analysis (SolidWorks-Cosmos)
- Material characterization/specialized testing

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4-step test results

Materials	Control (joules)	DISINFECTANTS						
		Diversey Virex® TB (ether, benzyl quat)	Clorox Healthcare® Bleach Germicidal Wipes (germicidal hypochlorite)	Clorox Healthcare® Multi-Surface (IPA quat)	Clorox Healthcare® Hydrogen Peroxide (H ₂ O ₂ cleaner)	PDI Sani-Cloth® AFill (benzyl quat, DPG ether)	PDI Super Sani-Cloth® (IPA quat)	PDI Sani-Cloth® Plus (IPA benzyl quat)
% RETENTION OF IMPACT ENERGY TO BREAK								
Eastman Tritan™ MX711 copolyester	4.3	75 ± 26	89 ± 1	92 ± 4	95 ± 5	109 ± 3	101 ± 3	114 ± 1
Eastman Tritan™ MX731 copolyester	4.3	65 ± 24	96 ± 5	98 ± 5	99 ± 5	104 ± 2	100 ± 2	116 ± 1
Eastman MXF221 copolyester	5.2	94 ± 2	95 ± 2	92 ± 3	98 ± 1	93 ± 4	83 ± 1	96 ± 3
PC/PBT	5.3	8 ± 3	98 ± 2	57 ± 45	94 ± 2	9 ± 2	91 ± 8	16 ± 2
PC/polyester	5.5	6 ± 1	6 ± 2	91 ± 12	23 ± 1	5 ± 0	75 ± 28	8 ± 2
PC/ABS 1	6.8	15 ± 1	70 ± 21	84 ± 13	97 ± 2	20 ± 3	16 ± 1	71 ± 22
PC/ABS 2	6.6	Break on jig	102 ± 1	64 ± 21	69 ± 32	6 ± 1	42 ± 37	5 ± 0
PVC	4.5	19 ± 2	19 ± 0	45 ± 36	56 ± 32	46 ± 36	18 ± 2	100 ± 0

% Retention

■ ≥ 80%
 ■ ≥ 60%
 ■ < 60%

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