

Technical Data Sheet

	CELLOSIZE™ HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener
	Nonionic, bio-based and biodegradable water-soluble rheology modifier that can thicken, suspend, emulsify and enhance the sensory experience for hair and skin care applications. CELLOSIZE™ HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener is the grade that can achieve the highest degree of water solution clarity.
	INCI NAME: Hydroxyethyl Cellulose
Features & Benefits	 Inherent, primary biodegradability 60% bio-based carbon weight Easy to handle powder form Highly efficient thickener Compatible with a wide range of surfactants Excellent salt / electrolytes tolerance Improve emulsion stability Highest degree of solution clarity
Applications	Areas of potential use for CELLOSIZE™ HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener encompass a wide range of cosmetic and toiletry applications such as:
	 Hair care Skin care Color cosmetics

Typical Properties

Specification Writers: These values are not intended for use in preparing specifications.

Property	Unit	Result
Appearance		White to off-white powder
Brookfield viscosity (25°C)- 1% in water	mPa.s	4400–6000
Refractive index (20°C)		1,336
Bulk density	g/cm ³	0,3–0,6
Particle size distribution (US #20 mesh: 841 µm)	%	98

Formulating Tips

Agitation of solutions at a pH 7,0 or lower is recommended to make initial dispersion of CELLOSIZE[™] HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener in water. After the CELLOSIZE[™] HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener is well dispersed, subsequent pH increase and temperature increase can be used to speed up hydration and dissolution if required. Once hydrated CELLOSIZE[™] HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener can be used in personal care formulations that can have a pH within the range pH 3–10.







Graph 2: Temperature effect on CELLOSIZE[™] HEC Thickener hydration / dissolution time

Compatibility

The nonionic structure of CELLOSIZE[™] HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener offers good compatibility with surfactants and other formulation ingredients like inorganics salts, gums, resins.

Handling Precautions	PRODUCT SAFETY INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR SAFE USE IS NOT INCLUDED IN THIS DOCUMENT. BEFORE HANDLING, READ PRODUCT AND SAFETY DATA SHEETS AND CONTAINER LABELS FOR SAFE USE, PHYSICAL AND HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION. THE SAFETY DATA SHEET IS AVAILABLE ON THE DOW WEBSITE AT DOW.COM, OR FROM YOUR DOW SALES APPLICATION ENGINEER, OR DISTRIBUTOR, OR BY CALLING DOW CUSTOMER SERVICE.
Usable Life and Storage	CELLOSIZE [™] HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener is a water-soluble solid that is normally supplied as a powder in multi-ply papers bags. Moisture and heat can cause CELLOSIZE [™] HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener to form lumps, so bags should be stored in a dry location at a temperature less than 40°C.
	Good housekeeping should be used when handling CELLOSIZE™ HEC PCG-10 Europe Thickener powder to reduce the risk of slipping hazards. If CELLOSIZE™ powder is spilled, as much as possible should be swept before it becomes wet. Washing with water, solvents, or most cleaning products will probably not be effective and may increase the slipping hazard. High pressure water blasting can be used to remove buildup of material.
Limitations	This product is neither tested nor represented as suitable for medical or pharmaceutical uses.
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