

Commercially Available Liquid Crystal Polyesters

| Company | Trade name or abbreviation | Structure | Status | Marketing time |
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| Sumitomo Chemical | ECONOL | $\text{-(O-}\langle\bigcirc\rangle\text{-CO)}_x\text{-(OC-}\langle\bigcirc\rangle\text{-CO)}_y\text{-(O-}\langle\bigcirc\rangle\text{-O)}_z$ | E2000 series : Injection moulded products containing GF(HDT>300°C). Demand expanding mostly to electric and electronic fields. | Production started in July 1979 E6000 series started in July 1979 |
| Dartco Manufacturing | XYDAR | Similar structure to ECONOL | Injection moulded products(FSR 315) containing talc(HDT>300°C) : Being developed mainly for open-ware. Injection moulded products (FC110, 120) containing GF(HDT>300°C) : Being developed mainly electric, electronic and aircraft industries. Fiber products are also being developed jointly with allied Corp. | 1984 |
| Celanese ↓ Polyplastics (Japan) | VECTRA | $\text{-(O-}\langle\bigcirc\rangle\text{-CO)}_x\text{-(O-}\langle\bigcirc\rangle\text{-CO)}_y$ | Injection moulded products(A130, C 130) containing GF(HDT : 230, 240°C) : Being developed mainly for electric and electronic industries. In addition, various grades containing CF(A230), mineral(A540) and graphite(A625) are developed. Fiber products are also being studied jointly with Kuraray. | 1984 |
| Eastman Kodak | X7G | $\text{-(OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OCO-}\langle\bigcirc\rangle\text{-CO)}_x\text{-(O-}\langle\bigcirc\rangle\text{-CO)}_y$ | HDT is 65-80°C. Licensed to Unitika and Mitsubishi Chemical. | Announced in 1976 |
| Unitika | RODRUN | LC3000 : Modified X7G, LC5000, 5000G : No detail known | Jointly developed with NTT as secondary coating material for optical fibers. Thermo-resistant type for injection moulding(HDT : 145, 173°C). Started sample supply mainly for electric and electronic industries. | Announced in October 1985 |
| Mitsubishi Chemical | EPE | EPE-100 : Modified X7G EPE-220, -240 : No detail known | Jointly developed with NTT as secondary coating material for optical fiber. Thermo-resistant type for injection moulding(HDT : 120 to 160°C) Started sample supply mainly for electric and electronic industries. | Announced in October 1985 |
| BASF | ULTRAX | No detail known | 3 types of injection moulding grades with different thermal resistance (HDT : 118, 205, 205°C). Started sample supply mainly for electric, electronic and aircraft industries. | Announced in November 1986 |
| Bayer | | No detail known | 2 types of injection moulding grades with different thermal resistance (HDT : 175, 235°C). Started sample supply mainly for electric, electronic and aircraft industries. | Announced in November 1986 |

(Note) : In addition, Idemitsu Petrochemical and ICI have announced. Toray, Asahi Chemical Industry, Teijin Ltd., Ueno Fine Chemicals, Du Pont, Rhone-Poulenc, Monsanto and others are developing.
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