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K 2004: Highlights from BYK-Chemie

In line with the slogan of K 2004 (Vision - Innovation – Business), BYK-Chemie will be presenting its latest product developments from 20 to 27 October at the Messe Düsseldorf.

In **Hall 5, Stand J 42** our experts will be showing visitors such products as the new wetting and dispersing additives of the DISPERPLAST® series for the manufacture of high-quality color masterbatches, the SILBYK® series with PU foam stabilizers for rigid/slabstock and molded foam, and the NANOBYK® series with nanotechnology-based surface additives.

You will find extensive information on these and other products of BYK-Chemie in the Additive Guide at: www.byk-chemie.com

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About BYK-Chemie:

BYK-Chemie is one of the World's Leading Suppliers of Additives used in the Coatings, Inks, and Plastics Industry.

Approximately 85 % of our sales are generated by exports. Our major export markets are Europe, the United States and the Far East.

Chemical additives are used by processing industries in the production of coatings, inks, and plastics. In very small quantities, BYK-Chemie additives simplify manufacturing processes, and significantly improve the quality of finished goods, such as motor vehicles and furniture. BYK-Chemie is a member of ALTANA Chemie AG, Wesel. ALTANA Chemie is developing and producing high quality, innovative products in the sector of specialty chemicals.

BYK-Chemie has been producing additives since 1962 in Wesel. Today it employs over 881 people worldwide, 25 % of whom work in research and development departments or technical laboratories.

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