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Investigation of Multilayer Pipe Sample

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Background:

Mitsui Chemicals Europe GmbH received one multilayer pipe sample from company Capricorn. This sample was evaluated in the Admer-Application-Lab.

The structure of the investigated pipe was as follows:

PE (inside) / Tie / EVOH / Tie / PE (outside)

Analysis performed:

- Layer thickness distribution by polarisation microscope
- Adhesion strength by tensile tester

Sample information:

• **Pipe:** 1 pipe sample, Ø 20 mm, ca. 47 cm length, white



Results:

• Layer thickness distribution by polarisation microscope

The layer thickness distributions of the pipe sample was analysed by microtome / microscope crosswise at four locations as it is shown in the picture below.

The position of measured points.



Location 2:

Magnification 25x:



Layer thickness in μ m:

	Layer Thickness/µm					
	Location 1	Location 2	Location 3	Location 4		
PE (outside)	1676	1744	1690	1690		
Tie	90	101	93	72		
EVOH	97	86	73	96		
Tie	79	82	66	64		
PE	199	236	205	213		
total	2141	2248	2127	2135		

Layer thickness in %:

		Layer Thi	ckness/%			
	Location 1	Location 2	Location 3	Location 4	Average	StdDev.
PE (outside)	78,3	77,6	79,4	79,2	78,6	0,9
Tie	4,2	4,5	4,4	3,4	4,1	0,5
EVOH	4,5	3,8	3,4	4,5	4,1	0,5
Tie	3,7	3,6	3,1	3,0	3,4	0,4
PE	9,3	10,5	9,6	10,0	9,9	0,5
total	100	100	100	100	100	

Layer thickness distribution:



• Adhesion strength by tensile tester

	Adhesion strength [N/10mm]		
Measurement 1	torn		
Measurement 2	torn		
Measurement 3	torn		

Measurement conditions: ISO 17454 (50 mm/min, 23 °C, radial direction)

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