

Ethylene material used in optical modules



Article Overview

Ethylene copolymers, primarily ethylene-vinyl acetate (EVA) and polyolefin elastomers (POEs), are widely used as encapsulants in optical modules due to their optical clarity, adhesion, and environmental durability.

Key Ethylene Materials

Ethylene-Vinyl Acetate (EVA) EVA is the most commonly used ethylene-based encapsulant in optical modules, especially in photovoltaic (PV) applications. It provides high transparency, strong adhesion to glass and semiconductor surfaces, and mechanical stability under thermal cycling and environmental stress. EVA is typically cross-linked during lamination to form a durable, stable layer that protects the optical elements from moisture, UV radiation, and mechanical impacts. Its long track record and cost-effectiveness make it a standard choice in the industry.

Polyolefin Elastomers (POEs) POEs are emerging as an alternative to EVA, offering lower water uptake, reduced ion diffusion, and improved long-term stability. They are thermoplastic elastomers based on ethylene copolymers and can be processed similarly to EVA, though they may require more precise handling due to sensitivity to storage conditions and shelf life. POEs are increasingly used in high-performance optical modules where enhanced durability and reduced degradation are critical.

Functional Roles in Optical Modules

- **Optical Coupling:** Ethylene-based encapsulants provide a transparent medium that minimizes light scattering and maximizes transmission to the active optical or photovoltaic elements.
- **Environmental Protection:** They shield sensitive components from moisture, UV ra...

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Polyethylene terephthalate (or poly (ethylene terephthalate), PET, PETE, or the obsolete PETP or PET-P) is the most common

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