

ACETAL HOMOPOLYMER

KEPITAL® H100



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General Information

KPAC as New POM Homopolymer Supplier

KOREA POLYACETAL (KPAC) has recently expanded its robust line of Technical polymers with the introduction of KEPITAL® H100, a new POM homopolymer. Already among the leading producers of POM copolymers, KPAC continues to innovate in the homopolymer category.

This innovation positions KPAC as a global provider of both POM copolymer And homopolymer solutions, creating a "one-stop-shop" for customers in need of POM for a variety of consumer and automotive applications. KPAC's mission is to provide solutions for a better future. This innovation is a key component of this mission.

A high viscosity, unfilled POM homopolymer, KEPITAL® H100 is made using state-of-the-art, patented technology.

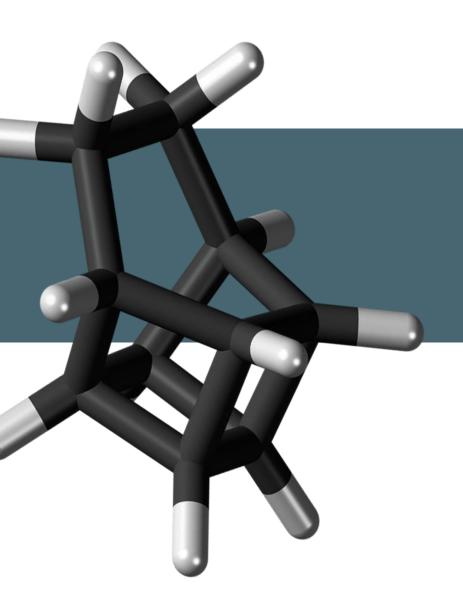
KEPITAL® H100 is setting new standards within the POM family. With the development of KEPITAL® H100, a highly viscous homopolymer type, we have introduced a homopolymer with enhanced features based on state of the art process technology. Its excellent processability and good mechanical properties opens entirely new options for our customers to manufacture sophisticated technical components out of KEPITAL®.





Description

- High Viscosity and Unfilled POM homopolymer
- High Strength, Hardness and Rigidity without Filler Reinforcements or Modifications
- High Toughness, High Impact Strength, and Elongation without Impact Modifiers
- Wide Processing Window for Injection Molding
- Excellent Resistance to Moisture, Gasoline, Solvents and Various Other Neutral Chemicals
- Excellent Dimensional Stability for Precision Parts
- Excellent Self-Lubricating



Chemical Structure

KEPITAL® H100 POM Homopolymer

POM(Polyoxymethylene) are categorized as either homopolymer or copolymer depending on their chemical structure. More accurately, POM homopolymer has the simplest chemical structure of all the polyethers.

While POM copolymer has additional olefin structures between the polyethers.

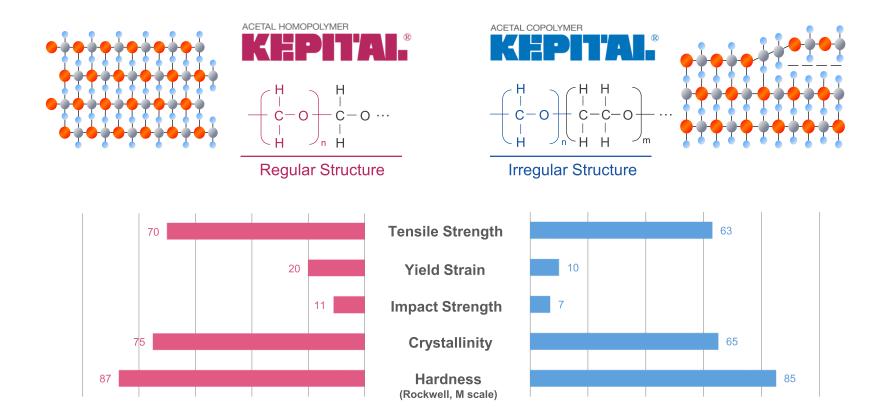
With these differences, POM homopolymer exhibits 10 % higher crystallinity, which boost the mechanical properties and make it stronger and tougher.



Differences

Structure of POM Homopolymer and Copolymer

POM homopolymer has the simplest chemical structure of all the polyethers, which boost the mechanical properties of POM homopolymer compared to copolymer.





General Properties

KEPITAL® H100 POM Homopolymer

KEPITAL® H100 is superior in mechanical strength, stiffness, and toughness compared to POM copolymer. Especially, it is ideal for gears, bearings and automotive parts from its additional strength and toughness.







Comparison Table

| Properties | Unit | Test Method | Brand X ¹⁾ | KEPITAL H100 ²⁾ | POM copolymer |
|--|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Physical properties | | | | | |
| Density | g/cm ³ | ISO 1133 | 1.42 | 1.42 | 1.41 |
| Melt Flow Rate(MFR 190°C, 2.16kg) | g/10 min | ISO 1133 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 3.0 |
| Water Absorption(at 23°C, to 50% R.H.) | % | ISO 62 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Mechanical Properties, Measured under Sta | ndard Conditions(2 | 23 ℃, 50 % R.H.) | | | |
| Yield Stress | MPa | ISO 527 | 70 | 70 | 63 |
| Elongation at Yield | % | ISO 527 | 25 | 20 | 10 |
| Elongation at Break | % | ISO 527 | 40 | 45 | 40 |
| Tensile Modulus | MPa | ISO 527 | 2,880 | 2,950 | 2,450 |
| Flexural Modulus | MPa | ISO 178 | 2,720 | 2,650 | 2,400 |
| Rockwell Hardness (M scale) | - | ISO 2039-1 | 88 | 87 | 85 |
| Notched Charpy Impact Strength(at 23°C) | kJ/m² | ISO 179 | 14 | 11 | 7 |
| Notched Charpy Impact Strength(at -30°C) | kJ/m² | ISO 179 | 11 | 8 | 6 |
| Thermal Properties | | | | | |
| Heat Deflection Temperature (1.8 MPa) | °C | ISO 75 | 94 | 95 | 95 |
| Melting Point DSC, 10°C/10min | °C | ISO 3146 | 177 | 176 | 165 |
| Coefficient of Linear Thermal Expansion (temperature range 23 °C to 55 °C) | X10 ⁻⁵ /°C | ISO 11359 | 11 | 11 | 12 |

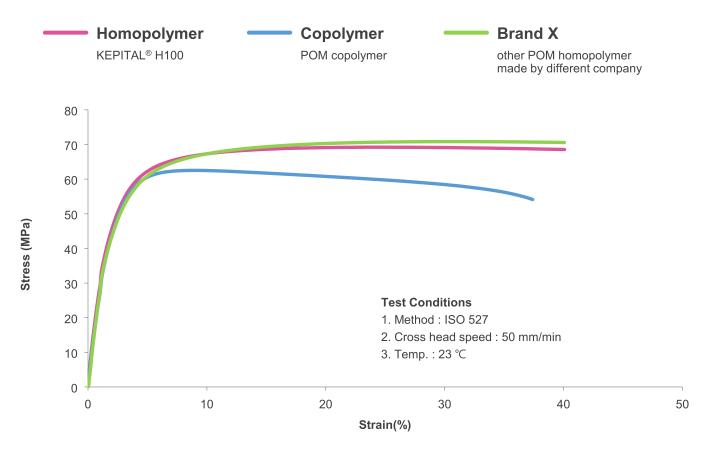
¹⁾ Brand X is other POM homopolymer made by different company.



²⁾ KPAC's POM homopolymer

Stress/Strain Curve

Excellent Tensile Properties Compared to POM Copolymer



- The mechanical properties should be the principle guideline to select material from an engineer's point.
- KEPITAL® H100 has excellent tensile properties compared to POM copolymer.
- KEPITAL® H100 has similar yield stress and strain compared to other POM homopolymer.





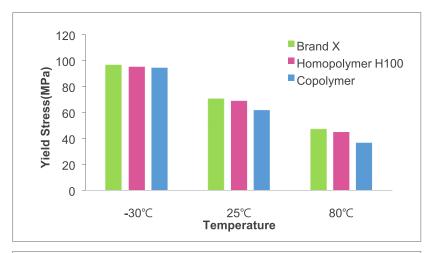
Tensile Properties

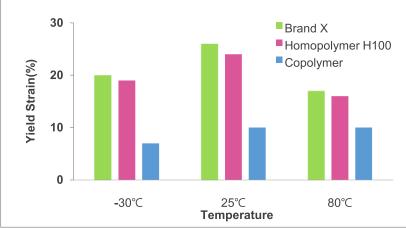
Excellent Tensile Properties Compared to POM Copolymer

Characteristics

- KEPITAL® H100 exhibits similar yield stress and strain compared to other POM homopolymer at various temperatures.
- KEPITAL[®] H100 exhibits better stress and strain at yield compared to POM copolymer at various temperatures.

| | Unit | Brand X | H100 | POM copolymer |
|-----------------------|------|---------|------|------------------|
| Yield stress at -30°C | | 96 | 95 | 94 |
| at 23°C | MPa | 70 | 69 | 62 |
| at 80°C | | 47 | 45 | 37 |
| Yield strain -30℃ | | 20 | 19 | 7 |
| at 23°C | % | 26 | 24 | 10 |
| at 80℃ | | 17 | 16 | 10 |

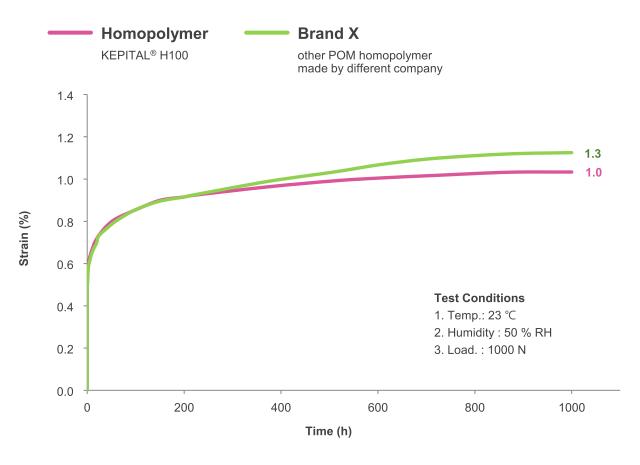






Creep Resistance

Tensile Creep Resistance Compared to Brand X



- When static stress are loaded to plastics, not only does the initial strain occur but also an incremental strain follows as time goes by due to its viscoelastic property.
- As such, less deformation under the load means that certain material has better deformation resistance property.





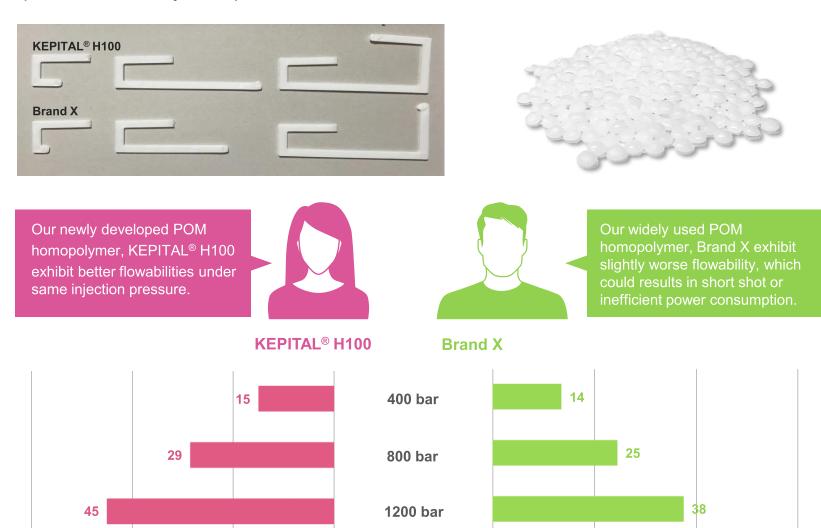


Flowability

■ Injection speed : 20 mm/s

Injection time: 3 sec

Superior Flowability Compared to Brand X



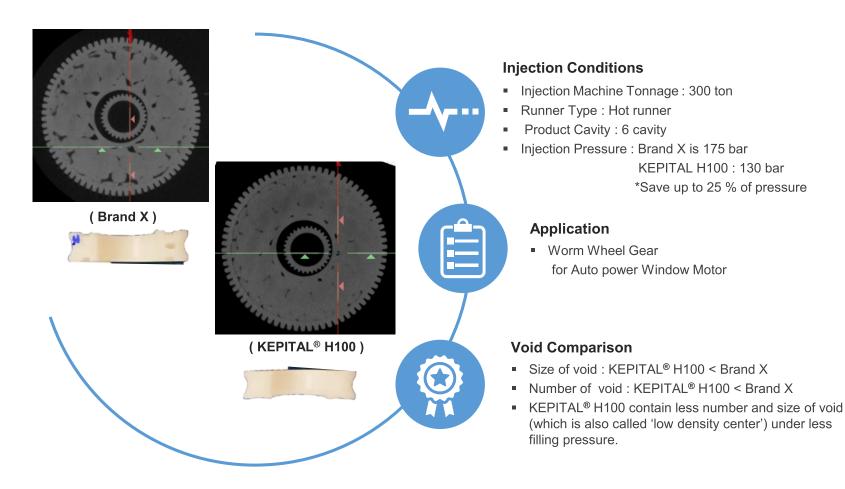
Injection pressure: 400, 800 & 1,200 bar

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Void Occurrence

Reduction in Void Occurrence under Injection Molding

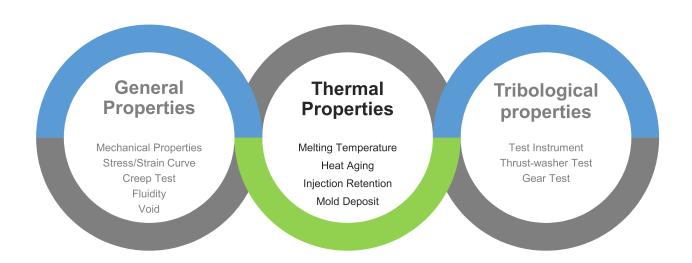






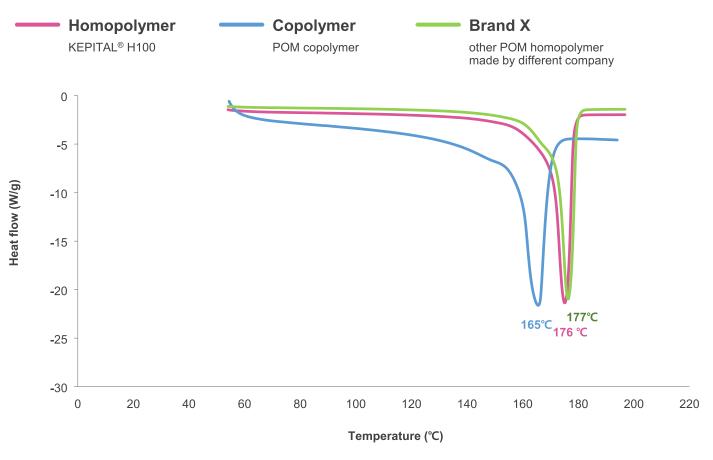
Thermal Properties

KEPITAL® H100 POM Homopolymer





Melting Point



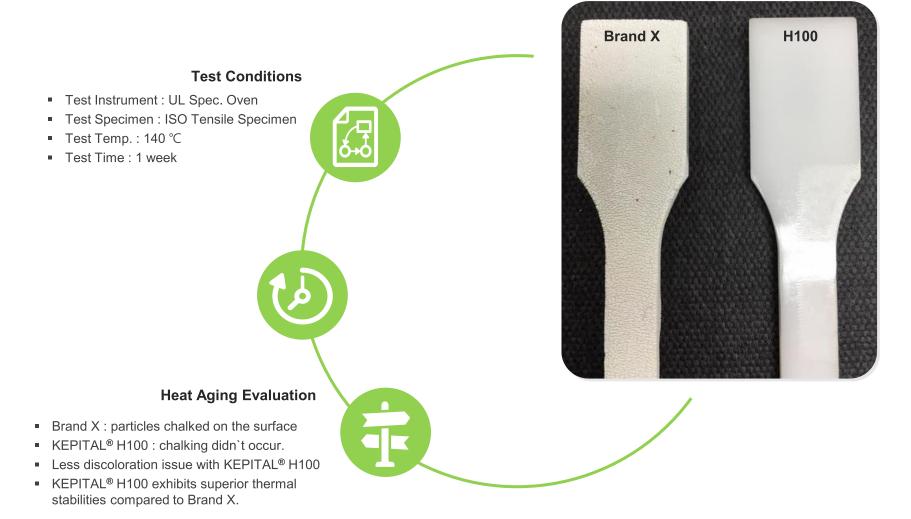
- Generally, the melting point of a POM homopolymer is between 175 and 177 °C.
- While the melting point of a POM copolymer is 165 °C.
- KEPITAL® H100 is a highly crystalline engineering plastic with excellent mechanical properties.





Thermal Resistance

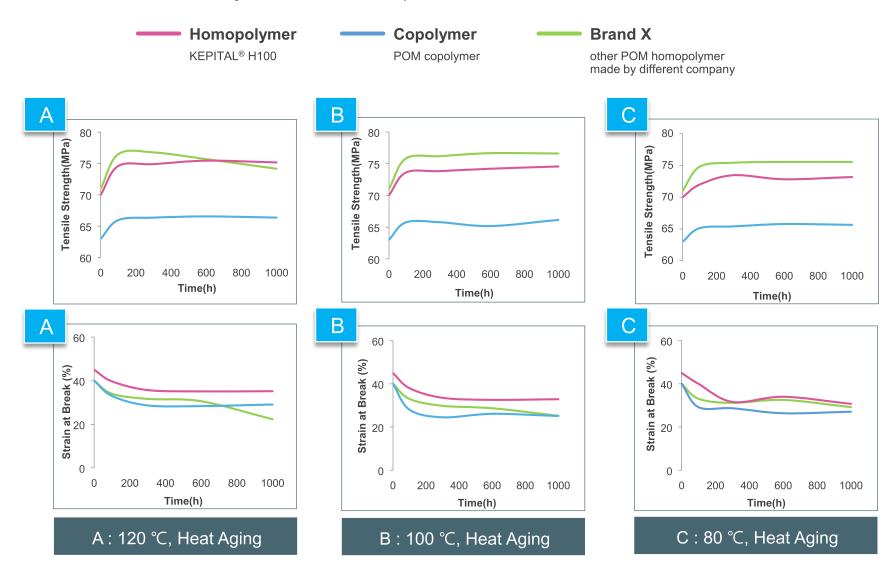
Improved Thermal Behavior under High Temperature Aging





Thermal Behavior

Better Thermal Stability at Elevated Temperature



Discoloration in Barrel

Less Discoloration with KEPITAL® H100





Test Conditions

Injection Temp.: 220/220/220/220 °C
 Retention Time: Each 8 min.
 Clamping Force: 100 ton (FANUC)



Color Change

- KEPITAL® H100 exhibits less discoloration issue after coming out from injection barrel.
- KEPITAL® H100 provides wide process window with its excellent thermal stability.



Mold Deposit

Less Mold Deposit with KEPITAL® H100



(H100 100 shot)



(H100 300 shot)



(H100 500 shot)



(H100 1,000 shot)



(Brand X 100 shot)



(Brand X 300 shot)



(Brand X 500 shot)



(Brand X 1,000 shot)



Injection conditions

Injection Temp. : 200/190/180/175 °C

■ Mold Temp.: 80 °C■ Cycle Time: 27.5 Sec

Clamping Force : 100 ton (FANUC)



Mold Deposit Evaluation

- Less mold deposit issue with KEPITAL® H100
- Enjoy cost-saving effect with longer cleaning frequency.

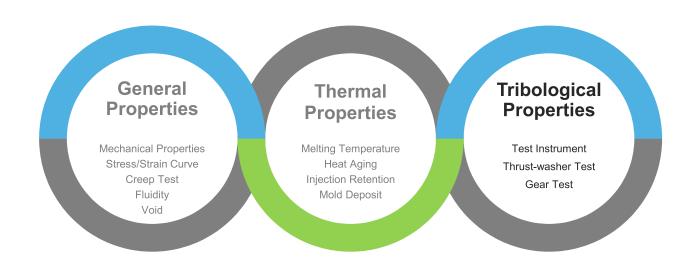




Tribological Properties

KEPITAL® H100 POM Homopolymer

KEPITAL® H100 has excellent anti-friction and wear properties. It can be used for various applications including gears, automotive door systems, bushings, housings, rollers and conveyor belts, etc.



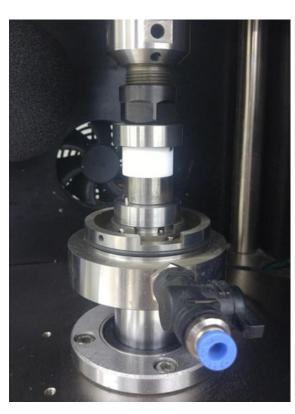


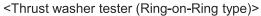
Test Instrument

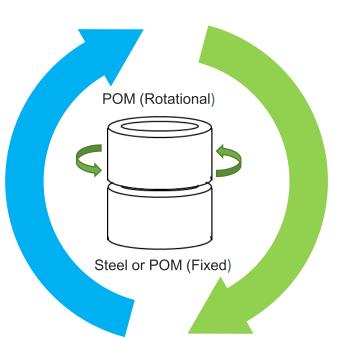
KPAC Can Provided Two Different Values of Operation Properties

Test items

- Dynamic friction coefficient
 - Specific wear amount







 $V_s = \frac{V}{P \cdot L}$

 V_s : specific wear amount ($^{mm^3}/_{N\cdot km}$)

V: amount of wear (mm^3)

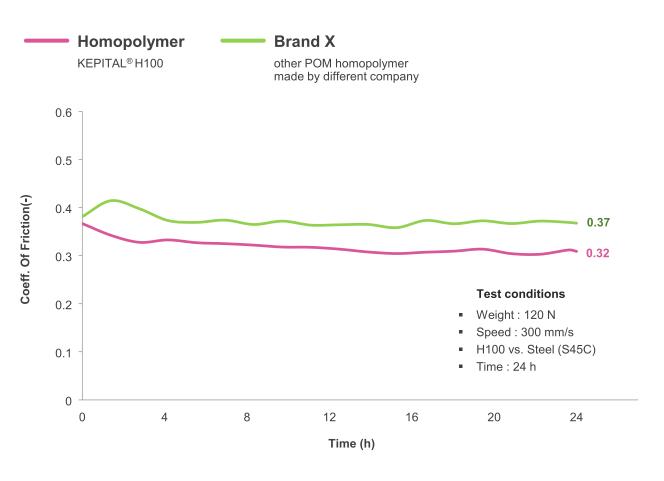
P: testing load (N)

L: average sliding distance (km)



Dynamic Coeff. of Friction (vs. metal)

Superior Coefficient of Friction when Sliding with Metal



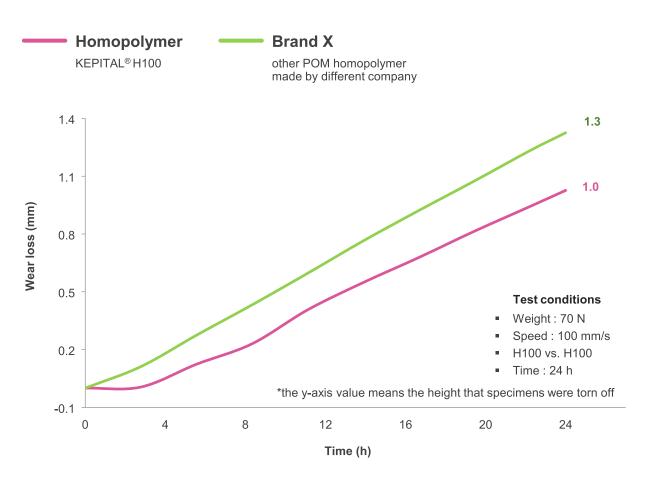
■ KEPITAL® H100 has superior value of dynamic coeff. of friction compared to Brand X.





Wear Loss (vs. Itself)

Superior Wear Loss when Sliding with Itself



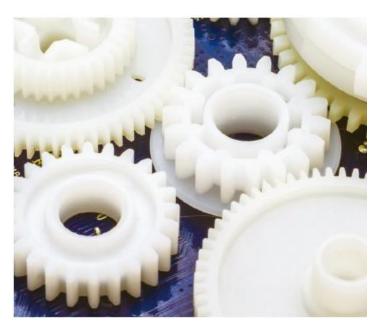
- KEPITAL® H100 has superior wear loss compared to Brand X.
- Dynamic coefficient of friction of KEPITAL® H100 and Brand X were measured as 0.4.





Gear Tooth Strength

KEPITAL® H100 Exhibit Similar Gear Tooth Strength Compared to Brand X



- KEPITAL® H100 has excellent gear tooth strength compared to POM copolymer.
- KEPITAL® H100 has similar gear tooth strength compared to Brand X.

Gear tooth strength

| | Unit | Brand X ¹⁾ | H100 ²⁾ | POM copolymer |
|---------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Results | kg _f ∙ cm | 137 | 137 | 125 |

- 1) Brand X is other POM homopolymer made by different company.
- 2) KPAC's POM homopolymer

Gear specifications

| Item | Value | |
|------------------------|-----------|--|
| Gear Type | Spur Gear | |
| Number of Gear Teeth | 48 each | |
| Pressure Angle of Gear | 15° | |
| Gear Module | 0.9 | |



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