## BC-418, BC-420, BC-422 Premium Plastic Scintillators

The premium plastic scintillators described in this data sheet are intended for use in ultra-fast timing and ultra-fast counting applications. BC-418 and BC-422 are recommended for use in small sizes, i.e. when any dimension is less than 4 " ( 100 mm ) . BC-420 is substantially less expensive than BC-418.

|  | BC-418 | BC-420 | BC-422 |
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| Scintillation Properties |  |  |  |
| Light Output, \%Anthracene | 67 | 64 | 55 |
| Rise Time, ns | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.35 |
| Decay Time (ns) | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| Pulse Width, FWHM, ns | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Wavelength of Max. Emission, nm | 391 | 391 | 370 |
| Light Attenuation Length, cm* | $\mathrm{NA}^{* *}$ | 140 | $\mathrm{NA}^{* *}$ |
| Bulk Light Attenuation Length, cm | 100 | 110 | 8 |
| Atomic Composition |  |  |  |
| No. H Atoms per cc $\left(\times 10^{22}\right)$ | 5.21 | 5.21 | 5.19 |
| No. C Atoms per cc $\left(\times 10^{22}\right)$ | 4.74 | 4.74 | 4.71 |
| Ratio H:C Atoms | 1.100 | 1.100 | 1.102 |
| No. of Electrons per $\mathrm{cc}\left(\times 1 \mathrm{O}^{23}\right)$ | 3.37 | 3.37 | 3.34 |

*The typical $1 / \mathrm{e}$ attenuation length of a $1 \times 20 \times 200 \mathrm{~cm}$ cast sheet with edges polished as measured with a bialkali photomultiplier tube coupled to one end.
** Scintillator recommended for use in small sizes; therefore, the 1/e attenuation length values are not applicable.

General Technical Data -

| Base | Polyvinyltoluene |
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| Density $[\mathrm{g} / \mathrm{cc}]$ | 1.032 |
| Expansion Coefficient $\left(\mathrm{per}^{\circ} \mathrm{C},<67^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | $7.8 \times 10^{-5}$ |
| Refractive index | 1.58 |
| Softening Point | $70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Vapor Pressure | May be used in vacuum |
| Solubility | Soluble in aromatic solvents, chlorinated solvents, acetone, etc. Unaffected by water, <br> dilute acids, lower alcohols, alkalis and pure silicone fluids or grease. |
| Light Output | $\mathrm{At}+60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}=95 \%$ of that at $+20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Independent of temperature from $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

## Emission Spectra



## Atomic Particles Response




