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AccoSorb[®] IU

General Description	AccoSorb [®] IU is a selectively mined sodium-activated montmorillonite which has been finely milled and is supplied as a free-flowing powder.		
Functional Use	This montmorillonite is specifically mined and modified for use as a pitch control agent to partially or wholly replace organic and inorganic pitch control agents. The specific surface area and chemical nature of the product makes it particularly suitable for passivation and adsorption of stickies and pitch particles in the stock approach system of a paper machine.		
Purity	Principally composed of the clay mineral montmorillonite. Contains minor amounts of quartz, plagioclase, calcite, anatase, hematite and kaolinite.		
Solubility	Dispersible but insoluble in water or alcohol. One gram of montmorillonite produces a surface area greater than 750 sq. metres when fully dispersed.		
Moisture	7 - 14% as shipped	Texture:	Soft, slippery
Odour	None	Taste	None
ISO TAPPI Brightness	Typically 34	pH	9.5–11.0 @ 5% solids
Wet Particle Size	Minimum 99.0% finer than 300 mesh (53 microns)		
Dry Particle Size	Minimum 90.0% finer than 200 mesh (75 microns)		
Chemical Formula	Montmorillonite, a dioctahedral smectite (expanding phyllosilicate) (Na,Ca) 0.33 (Al1.67Mg0.33)Si4O10(OH)2.nH2O.		
Elemental Analysis	Typical values listed are not to be construed as rigid specifications.		
	SiO ₂ 55.95 %	Na ₂ O	3.83 %
	Al ₂ O ₃ 21.45 %	CaO	1.40 %
	Fe ₂ O ₃ 10.72 %	K ₂ O	0.25 %
	MgO 2.55 %		
	All metals are expressed as oxides, which are complexed in the mineral.		
Packaging	Available in multi-wall paper bags (25kgs), 1 metric tonne big-bags or bulk.		

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