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## HOFFMANN MINERAL EXPANDS ITS RANGE

HOFFMANN MINERAL is known worldwide through its activities in the distribution of Neuburg Siliceous Earth. The products SILLITIN and AKTISIL, and the calcined versions SILFIT and AKTIFIT, are well known to our customers and are used as functional fillers.

The TAILORED FILLER SOLUTIONS are now expanding this portfolio in order to give customers the opportunity to differentiate themselves from the competition with tailored products in existing applications.

We at Hoffmann Mineral will continue to invest our entire expertise also in the new business division to be able to offer our customers the best possible product on the best possible terms. We will use our know-how of Neuburg Siliceous Earth and transfer it to new base materials, combined with innovative modifications for further improvement.

In close cooperation with our Research & Development and Application Technology, products are being developed that the market needs and which give our customers a lead over the competition.



## TAILORED FILLER SOLUTIONS

### **GLOXIL®**

#### **GLOXIL iM16k A**

Based on hollow glass microspheres from 3M, this product brings further improvements in plastics where weight reduction is an important issue thanks to its surface modification.

#### **GLOXIL SF 91 A**

The hybrid filler made of fiber and Neuburg Siliceous Earth with subsequent modification produces very good properties in plastics where a good mix of rigidity and flexibility is required.

#### **GLOXIL matt SL**

The aqueous dispersion-based on modified silica for use in matt water-based coatings, improves incorporation, transparency and resistance.

## GLOXIL® iM16k A

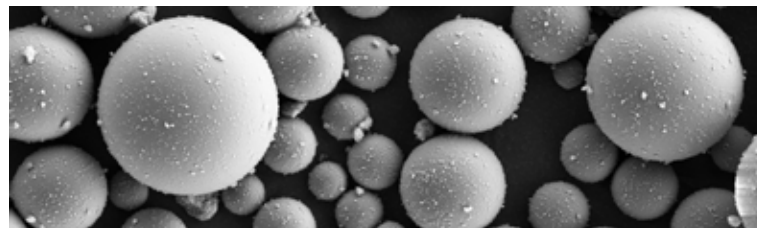
### PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

HOFFMANN MINERAL has been working in cooperation with 3M for years to develop products based on hollow glass microspheres. The product is based on the iM16k, modified with an amino function. The main field of application is the production of thermoplastics with demands for low density and low weight of the finished product. The functionalization allows a better integration of the lightweight filler, leading to an improvement in the strength of the finished product.

Thanks to the exclusive cooperation with 3M, it is also possible to use other grades (size and stability) of 3M's hollow glass microspheres. Different functional groups such as vinyl, alkyl, etc. can be applied to the base material for surface modification.

Characteristics	unit	GLOXIL iM16k A
Particle size, D <sub>50</sub>	µm	22
Particle size, D <sub>97</sub>	µm	45
BET-Surface	m <sup>2</sup> /g	approx. 2
Floatation rate	%	96
True density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	0.46
Bulk density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	0.19
Air-jet screening > 125 µm	%	0.2
Color value L*		98
pH-value		10
Volatile matter at 105 °C RT 20 °C / RH 50 %	%	0.3

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## FIELDS OF APPLICATION

### Thermoplastics

- Polyamides (PA)
- Aliphatic polyketones (PK)
- PP (after addition of PP-g-MAH)
- ABS, PPS, TPU, PE/EVA

### Thermosetting plastics

- Epoxy resins
- Polyurethanes

### Elastomers

- FKM
- HNBR
- ACM, AEM

## BENEFITS

- Reduced density
- Reduced weight
- Reduced costs per unit volume
- Resistance to chemicals
- Water resistance

### Compared with base material:

#### **Polyamide (PA):**

- Increase of
- tensile strength<sup>1</sup>
  - elongation at break
  - flexural strength<sup>1</sup>
  - flexural strain<sup>2</sup>
  - impact resistance

#### **Polypropylene (PP)<sup>3</sup>:**

- Increase of
- tensile strength<sup>4</sup>
  - yield stress<sup>4</sup>
  - elongation
  - flexural strength<sup>5</sup>
  - impact resistance
  - notched impact strength

<sup>1</sup> up to the comparable level for PA6 without hollow glass microspheres possible

<sup>2</sup> increase even compared with PA6 without hollow glass microspheres possible

<sup>3</sup> tested with 5% PP-g MAH as compatibilizer

<sup>4</sup> up to the comparable level for PP copolymer without hollow glass microspheres possible

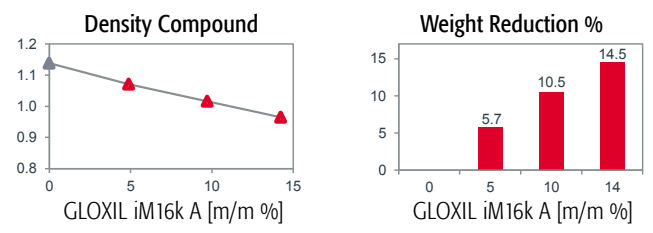
<sup>5</sup> increase even compared with PP copolymer without hollow glass microspheres possible

# GLOXIL® iM16k A

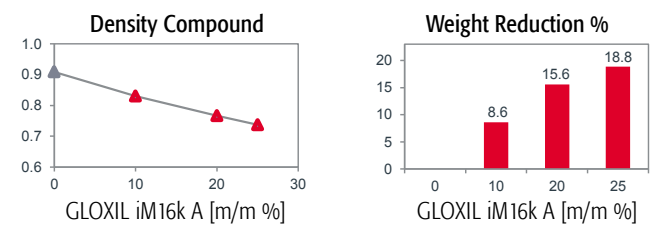
## TECHNICAL RESULTS

GLOXIL iM16k A was tested in a PA6 and a PP copolymer formulation and compared with the base grade and the unfilled compound.

PA6, dry as molded  
(Ultramid® B3K)

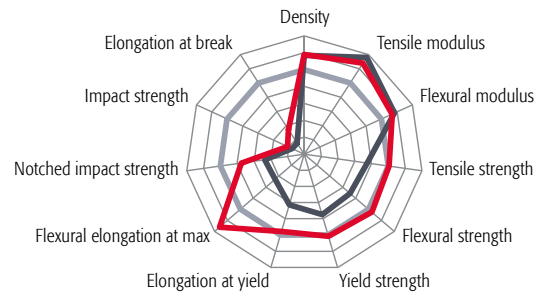


PP-Copolymer (Bormod™ BF970MO, GLOXIL iM16k A compounds contain 5 % PP-g-MAH, Scona TPPP 2112 GA)



## OVERALL PERFORMANCE

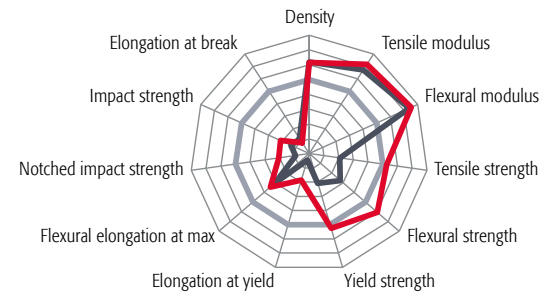
Performance Index, PA without GB = 1, higher = better



— PA6  
 — 3M™ Glass Bubbles iM16k  
 — GLOXIL iM16k A  
 Hollow Glass Bubbles 14 % m/m = 29 % V/V

## OVERALL PERFORMANCE

Performance Index, PA without GB = 1, higher = better



— PP  
 — 3M™ Glass Bubbles iM16k  
 — GLOXIL iM16k A  
 Hollow Glass Bubbles 25 % m/m = 40 % V/V

Data determined by 3M™ Advanced Materials Division, Specialty Additives Laboratory.

## GLOXIL<sup>®</sup> SF 91 A

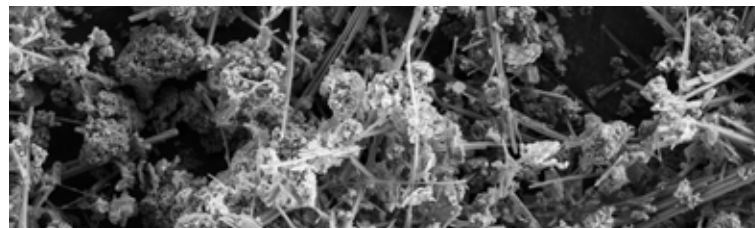
### PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

Composites have long become standard in industry. Also in the fillers sector, they are already present in some cases, but often only as custom products. Hoffmann Mineral is now launching its first hybrid filler with **GLOXIL SF 91 A**.

Applications for the mixture of fiber and Neuburg Siliceous Earth with amino functionality lie in the field of thermoplastics. It excels in particular in applications where the mixture is required to achieve rigidity, good toughness, scratch resistance and good processing of the compound.

Characteristics	unit	GLOXIL SF 91 A
Particle size, D <sub>50</sub>	µm	3
Particle size, D <sub>97</sub>	µm	20
Volatile matter at 105 °C, RT 20 °C/RH 50 %	%	0.3
Surface area BET	m <sup>2</sup> /g	9
True density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	2.4
Bulk density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	0.19
Sieve residue > 40 µm	%	< 0.1
Color value L*		97.7
Color value a*		0
Color value b*		1.2
Loss on ignition (625 °C)	%	approx. 14
Oil absorption	g/100 g	110

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### FIELDS OF APPLICATION

#### Applications

- Visible parts and covers with good surface finish and very high scratch resistance
- 3D printing
- Wood plastic composites (WPC)
- Films as functional fillers and matting agents

#### Polymers

- Polyamides (PA)
- Aliphatic polyketones (PK)
- ABS
- PP
- TPU, PE/EVA

#### Please note:

Maximum melt temperature 260 °C

### BENEFITS

#### Compared with unfilled polymer:

- Reduced warpage
- Better dimensional stability with fluctuating humidity (PA)
- Increase of
  - hardness
  - scratch resistance
  - rigidity
  - tensile strength
  - flexural strength
  - heat resistance
  - thermal conductivity

#### Compared with other mineral fillers:

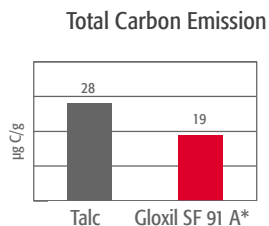
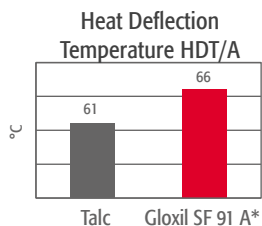
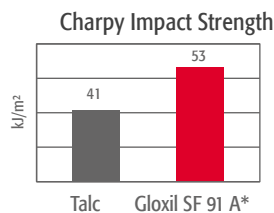
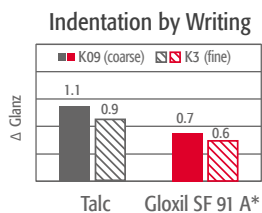
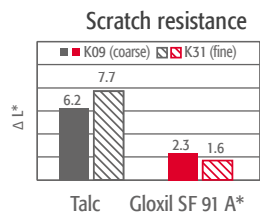
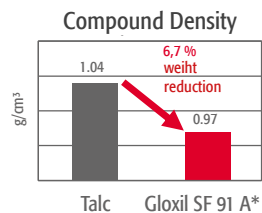
- Good wetting and dispersion behavior
- High melt flowability
- No cross-linking in polyketone
- Relatively low warpage
- High surface finish quality
- Very high scratch resistance
- No graying with black pigmented compounds
- Increased rigidity
- Relatively high elongation at break
- Relatively high impact resistance, even at low temperatures
- Increased heat resistance
- Matting (in films)

# GLOXIL® SF 91 A

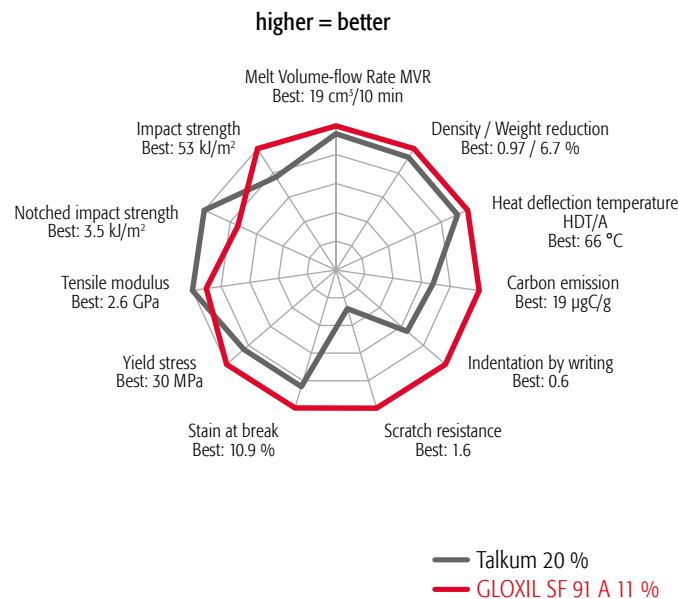
## TECHNICAL RESULTS

GLOXIL SF 91 A was tested in a PP copolymer compound by comparison with an ultra-fine premium talcum.

PP copolymer compounds, light weight and enhanced scratch resistance



## OVERALL PERFORMANCE



The properties marked with \* were determined on a precursor product of similar composition to GLOXIL SF 91 A.

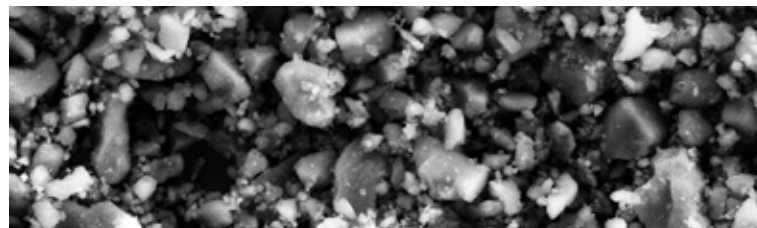


## GLOXIL<sup>®</sup> matt SL

### PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

With GLOXIL matt SL, Hoffmann Mineral has developed the first functional filler that is not based on Neuburg Siliceous Earth. The product is a 15% aqueous silica dispersion modified with special additives adapted to the matting agent and the intended application. The formation of films from the dispersion improves the incorporation of the matting agent particles. This results in films with good water and stain resistance as well as excellent matting properties.

Characteristics	unit	GLOXIL matt SL
Particle size, D <sub>50</sub>	µm	8 - 11
pH-value		6 - 7.5
Sieve residue > 40 µm	mg/kg	< 5
Silica content	%	15
Appearance		white, pasty



### APPLICATIONS

- Matt dispersion-based coating, primarily clear wood varnishes, especially acrylic-based varnishes
- Substitution of matting agents for improved handling as well as water, alcohol and stain resistance

### BENEFITS

- No dust formation
- Significantly improved dosing and incorporation
- Faster and easier incorporation without high shear forces
- Foam inhibiting effect
- Improved early blocking resistance
- Very high transparency without color cast and good long-term stability
- Strong matting effect
- Good wood grain, especially on dark wood
- Outstanding early water and stain resistance
- Subsequent addition to modify the degree of matting possible without loss of performance or problems
- Excellent metal marking resistance (ring resistance)

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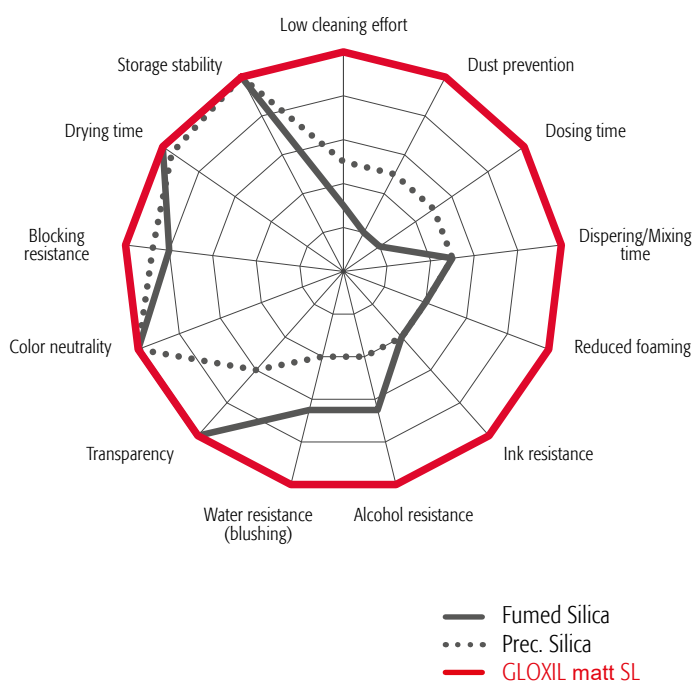
# GLOXIL<sup>®</sup> matt SL

## TECHNICAL RESULTS

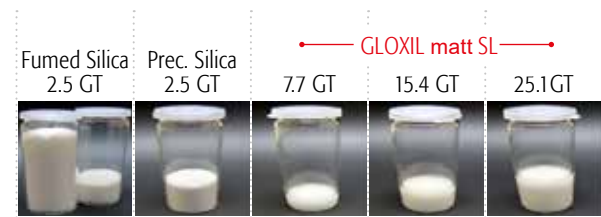
GLOXIL matt SL was tested in an aqueous clear coat formulation against common matting agents. The results were compared with those of a fumed and a precipitated silica.

### OVERALL PERFORMANCE

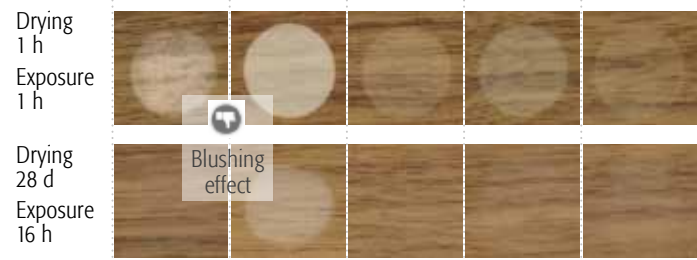
Performance at gloss 60° ~ 10 units  
 15.4 GT = 14.3 % GLOXIL matt SL  
 higher = better



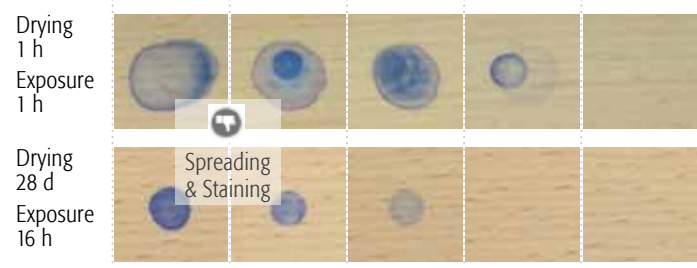
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### WATER RESISTANCE

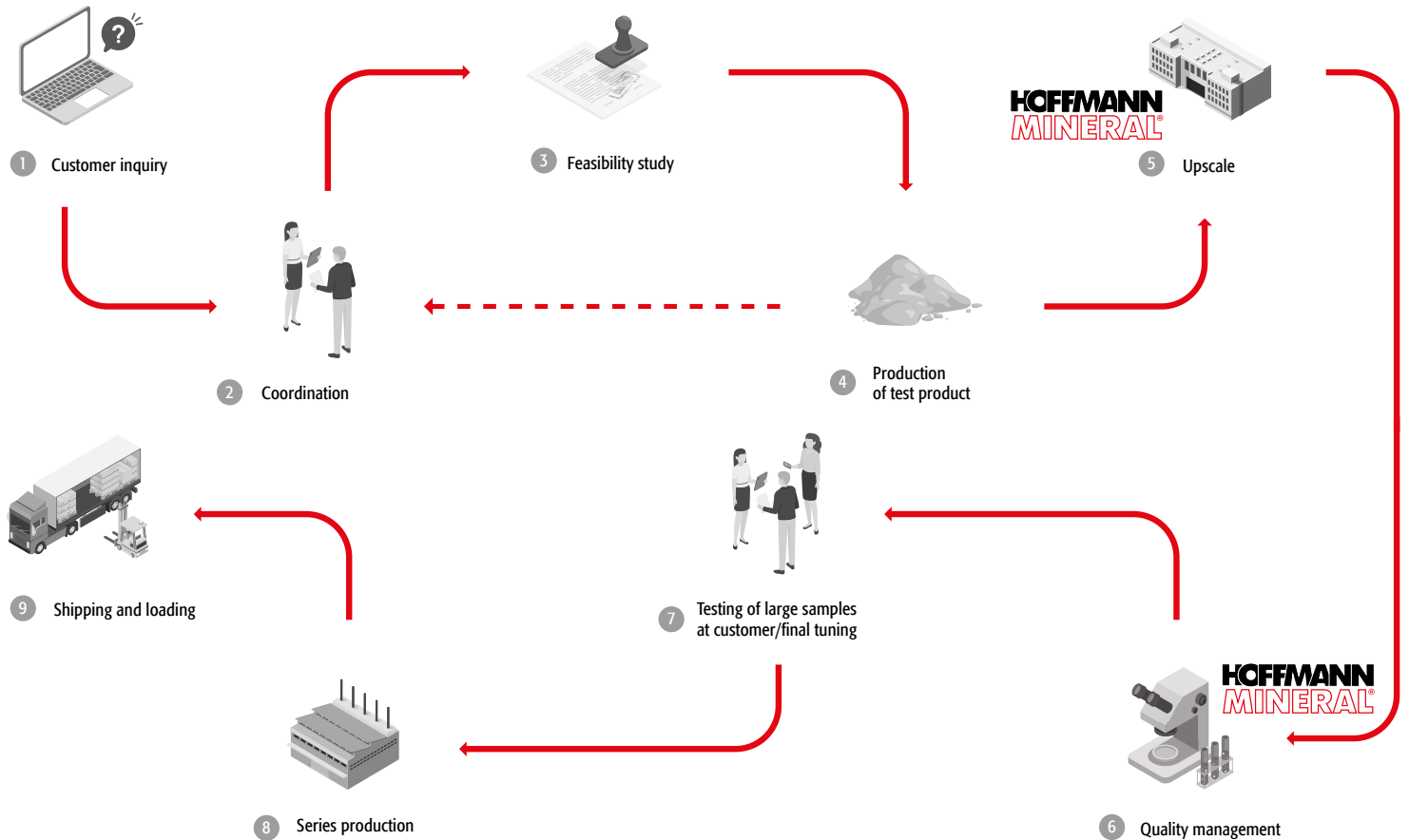


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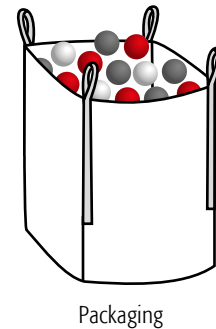
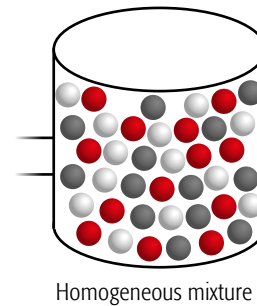
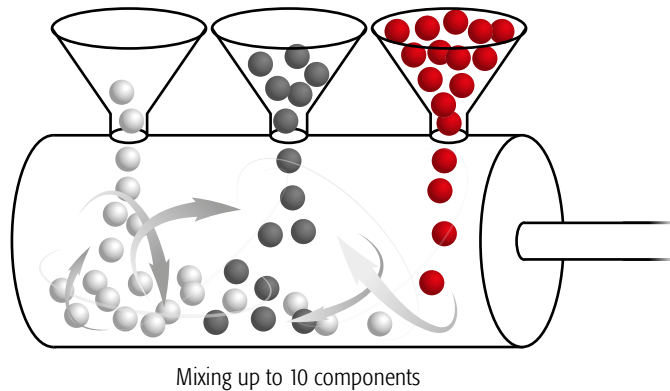
# TOLL MANUFACTURING

The all-round service at HOFFMANN MINERAL is a special kind of service. Our range of services is state-of-the-art and leaves nothing to be desired.



## MIXING AND HOMOGENIZING

Aggregates of various types and sizes are available. Different fractions of powder components can be mixed with special additives to form a homogeneous mixture.

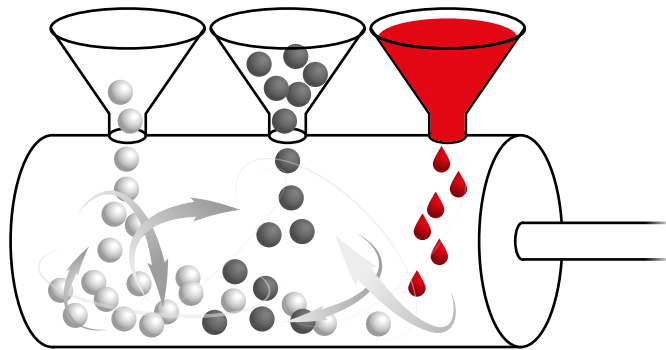


- Fast and homogenous distribution
- Reproducible
- Stable mixing results
- Dosage of powders  $\geq 300$  g
- Dosage of liquids  $\geq 450$  g
- Up to 10 powder components
- Non-mixable fluids possible according to the formulation
- Dry liquids based on different substrate materials

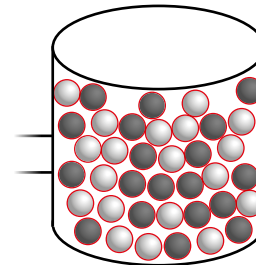


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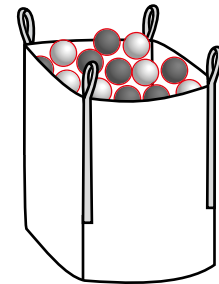
The properties of inorganic, powdered raw materials can be influenced by modifying the surfaces using the microcoating process. New property profiles can be created through functionalization: In addition to common additives, innovative, new and customized functions are developed in our research laboratories.



Modification of one or more components



Modified homogeneous mixture



Packaging

- Hydrophobizing and hydrophilization
- Improved flowability
- Reduced sensitivity to light
- Delayed active substance action
- Modified solution behavior



# RE-PACKAGING

Whether silo, BigBag, paper, PE or EVA bag – we fill your powdered or granulated products into that container that best meets your requirements. Of course, we are also happy to take care of the labeling, marking and transport safety packaging of your goods.

