

## **Dyneon to Acquire Empore Solid Phase Extraction Family of Products**

Dyneon LLC, a 3M company and one of the world's leading fluoropolymer producers, recently announced that it will acquire 3M's Bioanalytical Technologies business, including the Empore solid phase extraction family of products, effective Jan. 1, 2007. The Bioanalytical Technologies business and Empore products will be integrated into Dyneon and will augment Dyneon's fluoroplastics, fluoroelastomers and specialty additives lines, and provide new opportunities for growth for the Empore family of products.

"Empore product customers will continue to have access to the first-rate customer service and technical support that they have come to know and expect" said Tom Martin, operations manager. "The products and manufacturing process will remain the same, as will the Empore brand promise."

According to Bill Myers, president and general manager, Dyneon, this strategic move builds on the synergies between Dyneon products and Empore products. Both businesses manufacture high-performance materials that demand technological precision and innovation, as well as an excellent customer service and support base.

Myers added, "Integrating the Empore and Dyneon products makes good business sense. Being under one roof, we can provide an even greater range of solutions and resources for both our Empore and Dyneon customers."

The Empore family of products, first commercialized in the 1980s, is widely used by chemists for environmental and pharmaceutical analysis.

Empore products joins a diverse range of products at Dyneon. Dyneon fluoroelastomers are engineered to meet many of the most demanding sealing challenges, providing long-term protection against high temperatures and corrosive chemicals. Its fluoroplastics, including PFA, FEP, ETFE, HTE, THV and PVDF, can be processed in extrusion, injection, compression, transfer and blow molding. Dyneon's specialty additives, including Dynamar polymer processing additives, are fluoropolymer-based products that improve various processing aspects of thermoplastic resin. Dyneon also is a global leader in PTFE compounding, providing a host of standard compounds, as well as expertly formulated custom compounds.

For more information about Dyneon visit [www.dyneon.com](http://www.dyneon.com). For more information about Empore products visit [www.dyneon.com/empore](http://www.dyneon.com/empore).

### About Dyneon

Dyneon, a 3M company, is one of the world's leading fluoropolymer suppliers with operations or representation in more than 50 countries. Headquartered in Oakdale, Minn., Dyneon and its affiliates employ more than 800 people worldwide who are dedicated to customer service, technical and sales support, marketing, research, application development, and production.

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