

# Aquivion® E98-09S

## perfluorosulfonic acid

Aquivion® E98-09S is a chemically-stabilized (denoted by S-suffix) perfluorosulfonic acid (PFSA) ionomer membrane that exhibits an Equivalent Weight (EW) of 980 g/eq. Nominal thickness is 90 microns.

Aquivion® PFSA ionomer membranes are melt-extruded products based on the unique Short Side Chain copolymer of Tetrafluoroethylene (TFE) and Sulfonyl Fluoride Vinyl Ether (SFVE)  $F_2C=CF-O-CF_2CF_2-SO_2F$  produced by Solvay. They are available in the acid form and feature a lower

Equivalent Weight (EW) than most commercial proton exchange membranes. The unique Short Side Chain copolymer allows higher crystallinity, improved mechanical properties and better proton conductivity.

Typical applications include PEM fuel cells, water electrolyzers, separators for hydrogen or redox flow batteries, and pervaporation or gas humidification systems

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### General

Material Status	• Commercial: Active
Availability	• Asia Pacific • Europe • North America

### Physical

	Typical Value	Unit	Test method
Density - 23°C, 50% R.H.	1.93	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Internal Method
Equivalent Weight (EW) <sup>1</sup>	980	g/eq	Internal Method
Membrane <sup>2</sup>			
Thickness	90.0	µm	
Weight	174	g/m <sup>2</sup>	
Total Acid Capacity	> 1.00	meq/g	Internal Method

### Mechanical

	Typical Value	Unit	Test method
Tensile Modulus <sup>3</sup>	270	MPa	ASTM D882
Tensile Stress <sup>3</sup>			
MD : Break	40.0	MPa	ASTM D882
TD : Break	30.0	MPa	
Elongation <sup>3</sup>			ASTM D882
MD : Break	150	%	
TD : Break	200	%	

### Electrical

	Typical Value	Unit	Test method
Conductivity <sup>4</sup>	> 160	mS/cm	Internal Method

### Additional Information

	Typical Value	Unit	Test method
Water Uptake Properties (in liquid) <sup>5</sup>			Internal Method
By weight	< 30	%	
Elongation (MD)	< 12	%	
Elongation (TD)	< 20	%	

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## HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT

- Aquivion® PFSA membranes are not harmful if used and handled according to standard processing procedures (see for example the "Guide to the Safe Handling of Fluoropolymer Resins" issued by the Society of the Plastics Industry). If handled improperly, membranes may release harmful toxic chemicals. Please refer to the Material Safety Data Sheets for more information on handling and safety.

## PACKAGING, SHIPMENT AND STORAGE

- The membranes are usually available in sheets of customized formats or rolls in various lengths (dimensions are based on dry product conditioned at 23 °C and 50 % Relative Humidity). They are sealed in an inert environment with a multilayer protection film before packaging inside a shock-protected cardboard box. It is recommended to store the product in a clean, controlled humidity environment and protected from direct sun light or other sources of heat.
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### Notes

Typical properties: these are not to be construed as specifications.

<sup>1</sup> eq=(mol SO<sub>3</sub>H)

<sup>2</sup> 23°C, 50% R.H.

<sup>3</sup> Mechanical properties measured on E98-05S at 23°C, 25% R.H.

<sup>4</sup> Setup: 4-probe, in-plane measurement; Procedure: set T<sub>cell</sub> = 80°C, T<sub>gas</sub> = 90°C, Humidity 100%, Flow 800 sccm.

<sup>5</sup> 4-hour soak at 100°C

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