



# User Guideline Ultracur3D® ST 45

The following User guideline is for professionals who use: Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> ST 45.

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For more information, please refer to the country specific MSDS for advice.

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# Storage Conditions and Disposal Considerations

Keep container tightly closed in a room temperature, well-ventilated place. Keep container dry. If Material is not being used fill it back through a filter in the corresponding material bottle. The filter prevents to fill cured pieces or failed prints back into the bottle. Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> ST 45 must be disposed of or incinerated in accordance with local regulations.

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# **Delivery units**

Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> ST 45 is available in the following packaging sizes: 1 kg, 5 kg and possible larger volume packaging are also available upon request.

# Intended Use

# Ultracur3D<sup>6</sup>

Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> ST 45 is a technical material based on (meth-)acrylate resin for suggested LCD and DLP systems. Working wavelength: 355nm, 385 nm or 405 nm. Attached a list of suggest 3D printer and Printing parameters. For more information contact BASF directly at *sales@basf-3dps.com*.

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# Example of Suitable 3D-Printers and Settings

PRINTER	STRATASYS ORIGIN ONE	MIICRAFT ULTRA 125	PRUSA SL 1	RAPIDSHAPE I30+
Wavelength	385 nm	385 nm	405 nm	385 nm
Power	5 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	4 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	0.45 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	2 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>
Curing time	2.35 s	2 s	17 s	2 s
Voxel depth	100 µm	100 µm	100 µm	100 µm

If you cannot find your printer in the table, you can use the values below as starting parameters. These are only approximations, different 3D-Printers may require different curing times and further optimization, but these values should be a good starting point.

The given values are all for printing at a layer thickness / voxel depth of 100  $\mu$ m. If you need starting parameters for a different layer thickness, please contact us.

# 405 nm WAVELENGTH 3D-PRINTER

Power *	5 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	4 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	3 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	2 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>
Suggested curing time	1.6 s	2 s	2.7 s	4 s

# 385 nm WAVELENGTH 3D-PRINTER

Power *	5 mW/cm²	4 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	3 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	2 mW/cm <sup>2</sup>
Suggested curing time	1.5 s	1.9 s	2.5 s	3.7 s

\*Power measured directly on the glass

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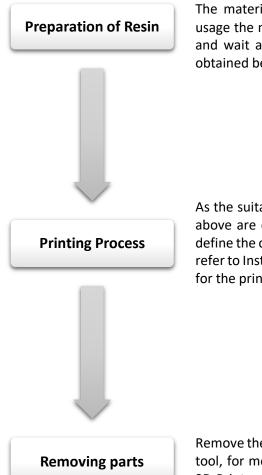
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# **Printing Process**



The material should be processed at room temperature. Before usage the material should be shaken well. Pour it slowly in the vat and wait a couple minutes, until smooth, bubble-free surface is obtained before starting the print job.

As the suitable 3D printer examples and setting parameters stated above are only for general guidance purpose, user should always define the optimal settings according to his needs by himself. Please refer to Instruction of Use or User Guide of the employed 3D-Printer for the printer settings and handling.

Remove the parts carefully from the build platform with a suite able tool, for more information see the Instruction for Use of the used 3D-Printer.

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#### Cleaning and Post curing process

# **Cleaning Process**

Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> ST 45 can be cleaned with a Glycol Ether based solvent like Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> Cleaner & 2-propanol, please refer to the following cleaning procedure.

#### Cleaning with Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> Cleaner & 2-propanol

*Step 1:* Place the parts in a container filled with Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> Cleaner and *place this container* in an Ultrasonic bath filled with water for 2 minutes.

*Step 2:* Rinse the parts with 2-propanol for a few seconds. Fine structures or holes may be better cleaned by using 2-propanol and a syringe or by separate brushing. Next, place the parts in a container filled with 2-propanol and *place this container* in an Ultrasonic bath filled with water for 2 minutes.

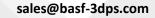
Step 3: Blow dry the parts with pressure air/nitrogen, until the parts are clean.

Drying

Place the parts into a warming cabinet @40°C for 30 minutes.

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# Post curing

Ultracur3D<sup>®</sup> ST 45 parts require adequate post curing to achieve the optimized final mechanical properties. After each post-curing cycle, the part needs to be flipped to achieve an even curing.

# Example of post curing procedure

# Stratasys Origin One

Post-curing unit	Dymax ECE 2000 flood
Amount of cycles	2
Duration of one curing cycle	600 seconds

#### MiiCraft Ultra 125

Post-curing unit	Dymax ECE 2000 flood
Amount of cycles	2
Duration of one curing cycle	300 seconds

#### Prusa SL 1

Post-curing unit	Dymax ECE 2000 flood	
Amount of cycles	2	
Duration of one curing cycle	600 seconds	

#### rapidshape i30+

Post-curing unit	Otoflash G171	Dymax ECE 2000 flood
Amount of cycles	2	2
Duration of one curing cycle	2000 flashes	300 seconds

**Finishing Process** 

Remove, if necessary, support structures and smoothing the surface.

These proceedings are only general guidelines, the optimal printing settings as well as curing time must be defined by the user himself. The post-curing might differ by using different 3D-Printers and different post-curing units may require different settings.

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