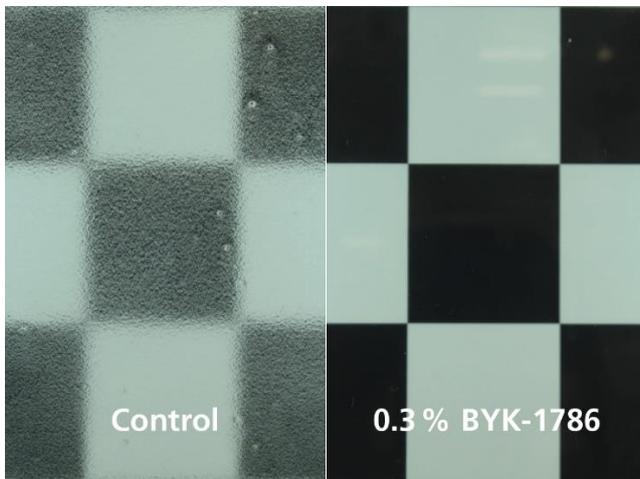


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BYK-1786 to showcase at ECS 2019

Wesel, February 14, 2019 – The proportion of aqueous formulations used in the coatings industry has been steadily increasing for over thirty years. What started out as regionally limited projects to reduce housing emissions has since developed into a global trend that extends to almost all areas of application. As things stand, over half of all coatings are water-based, and it is generally expected that this segment will continue to see above-average growth. BYK recognized this trend at an early stage and has led the field for decades in developing suitable additives. Additives for water-based applications are also the highlight of BYK's presentation at this year's **European Coatings Show (ECS) in Hall 4A, Booth 314b**. One focal product here is the new defoamer, [BYK-1786](#).

The new [BYK-1786](#) defoamer, which will be presented to the trade specialists in Nuremberg in March, is a defoamer emulsion. The additive removes any micro foam that might appear in the coating with complicated application methods such as spray coating (HVLP), airless and airmix applications. This form of delivery enables [BYK-1786](#) to be incorporated more easily and dosed better. It is especially recommended for pigmented and non-pigmented architectural coatings, general industrial, anti-corrosion, wood and furniture coatings, floor coatings, adhesives, sealants, care products, and polishes. The additive is VOC and APEO-free and has no impact on transparency, haze, and cratering.



BYK-1786 - Excellent Clarity in aqueous systems
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Carsten Nagel, Head of Global End Use Decorative Coatings at BYK, will deliver a **special lecture** on this product on **March 19, from 11:10 to 11:30, in Hall 4, Booth 4-214**.

In other numerous BYK presentations taking place during the ECS in three different exhibition halls, a broad range of products and services will also be showcased – from automotive coatings via BYK's regulatory expertise to additive applications in the wood and furniture coatings industry.

For more information, see: www.byk.com/ecs

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BYK is one of the world's leading suppliers in the field of additives and measuring instruments. Additives are chemical substances which, when used in small quantities, improve product properties such as scratch resistance or surface gloss. Manufacturing processes are also optimized by the addition of additives.

The coatings, inks, and plastics industries are among the main consumers of BYK additives. Yet with the production of oil and gas, the manufacture of care products, the production of adhesives and sealants, and construction chemistry, too, BYK additives improve the product characteristics and production processes. Testing and measuring instruments from BYK can effectively evaluate the quality of color, gloss, and appearance as well as the physical properties of paint, plastic, and paper products and are an important part of quality control.

As a globally operating specialty chemicals company, BYK has production sites in Wesel, Kempen, Moosburg, Schkopau and Geretsried (Germany), Deventer, Denekamp and Nijverdal (Netherlands), Widnes (UK), Wallingford, Chester, Gonzales, Louisville, Earth City (USA) and Tongling (China).

Today the company employs more than 2,300 people worldwide and forms part of the ALTANA Group.

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