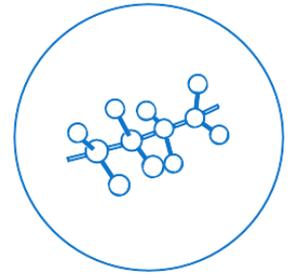


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Abstract:

In the global high density polyethylene (HDPE) market, most HDPE resins are produced based on unimodal (single reactor) process technologies and have performed well for many decades. The development of new applications with more severe operating requirements pushed the performance demands for HDPE resins. As a result, bimodal HDPE was developed to improve some performance aspects that were lacking in unimodal HDPE.

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The introduction of bimodal HDPE, with its better performance, has resulted in large gains in market share in film and pipe applications. Film is the largest application for bimodal HDPE; in contrast the two largest applications for unimodal HDPE are blow moulding and injection moulding.

Global Bimodal HDPE Demand by Application

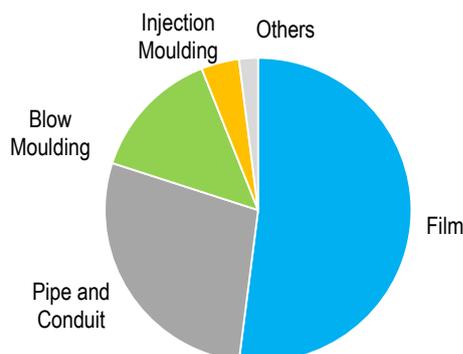


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