

# News Release



## **BASF launches MasterLife® 300D in Australia and New Zealand**

- **Integral crystalline capillary waterproofing admixture for above- and below-grade concrete applications**
- **Reduces penetration of water and other liquids, seals hairline cracks and resists side hydrostatic pressure**

**Sydney, Australia – July 15, 2016** – BASF has launched a new capillary waterproofing admixture product in Australia and New Zealand, designed for use in above- and below-grade concrete applications.

MasterLife® 300D is an integral, portland cement-based, crystalline material that reacts in concrete to form non-soluble crystalline hydration products in the capillary pores of the concrete. By effectively reducing the concrete's permeability, MasterLife 300D reduces both capillary absorption and penetration of water and other liquids.

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Test results show significant benefits in structural waterproofing and concrete durability, when compared to untreated concrete mixes. “We have seen reductions in capillary absorption of 43 per cent and water penetration of 40 per cent, while achieving a seven per cent increase in compressive strength,” said Matt Ross, Head of Construction, BASF Australia and New Zealand.

In addition, this concrete admixture seals hairline cracks, resists positive and negative side hydrostatic pressure, and protects against sewage and industrial wastes.

“MasterLife 300D has been sold internationally for a decade and has been used on over 400 major infrastructure projects. We are excited to now be able to offer this technology to customers in Australia and New Zealand.”

For further information on BASF products for the construction industry, please visit [www.master-builders-solutions.basf.com.au](http://www.master-builders-solutions.basf.com.au).

#### **About BASF’s Construction Chemicals Division**

BASF’s Construction Chemicals division offers advanced chemicals solutions for new construction, maintenance, repair and renovation of structures: Our comprehensive portfolio encompasses concrete admixtures, cement additives, chemical solutions for underground construction, waterproofing systems, sealants, concrete repair & protection systems, performance grouts, performance flooring systems, tile fixing systems, expansion control systems and wood protection solutions.

The Construction Chemicals division’s about 5,500 employees form a global community of construction experts. To solve our customers’ specific construction challenges from conception through to completion of a project, we combine our know-how across areas of expertise and regions and draw on the experience gained in countless construction projects worldwide. We leverage global BASF technologies, as well as our in-depth knowledge of local building needs, to develop innovations that help make our customers more successful and drive sustainable construction.

The division operates production sites and sales centers in more than 50 countries and achieved sales of about €2.3 billion in 2015.

## **About BASF**

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