OPADRY® fxTM

Special Effects Film Coating System

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Opadry[®] fx[™], special effects film coating systems, are quick and easy to prepare. Simply add the film coating powder to water and mix for 45 minutes with a propeller stirrer.*

The coating suspension can be made with up to 7.5% solids. Your Area Technical Manager can recommend the ideal solids for your specific Opadry fx system and your equipment.

Figure 1

MATERIALS

- Opadry fx film coating system.
- Water, deionized or distilled preferred, ambient temperature (maximum 30°C).

EQUIPMENT

- Variable-speed mixer capable of producing and maintaining a vortex.
- Propeller stirrer. For optimum mixing, utilize a propeller with a diameter equivalent to 1/4 - 1/3 of the diameter of the mixing vessel (Figure 1).
- Mixing vessel large enough to contain a liquid volume
 15% to 25% greater than the total suspension being prepared. The liquid height and vessel diameter should be equal.

d_s = 1/3 - 1/2

*MIXING PROCEDURE

- 1. Weigh necessary quantity of Opadry fx powder.
- 2. Weigh necessary quantity of water into the mixing vessel.
- 3. With the propeller in the center, and as close to the bottom of the vessel as possible, stir the water to form a vortex without drawing air into the liquid.
- 4. Steadily add the Opadry fx powder to the vortex, avoiding powder flotation on the liquid surface.
- 5. After all the powder has been added, reduce the mixer speed to just eliminate the vortex. Mix for 30-45 minutes.

SUSPENSION HANDLING

- The prepared Opadry fx solution can be pumped directly from the preparation vessel if desired.
- We recommend that the Opadry fx solution be gently agitated during the coating process.



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