Synthetic Amorphous Silica (SAS) in Food

A valuable addition to our everyday lives Synthetic Amorphous Silica (SAS) is a highly pure, non-hazardous, intentionally manufactured form of silicon dioxide (SiO_2) that plays a crucial role in various industrial and consumer applications.

It is commonly used as a food additive (E551), approved by EFSA (the European Food Safety Authority).

Why do we need SAS (E551) in food?

Keeps things smooth

Prevents powdered foods and spices from sticking together

Improves food making

Better grinding of foods by preventing them from sticking to machinery

Makes things last Helps keep food products dry

Clears beverages Used as a filtering aid to clarify products like beer, juice and wine

Did you know?

SAS helps absorb liquids, keeping foods dry and smooth



Liquid absorbed: no longer sticking together

In line with EU Green Deal Goals, SAS reduces food waste and energy consumption



SAS stops food from clumping, so consumers can use it for longer periods, not letting good food go to waste



SAS can contribute to energy savings in the food industry by improving food quality, reducing waste, and enhancing processing efficiency.



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The Association of Synthetic Amorphous Silica Producers (ASASP) is a sector group of <u>Cefic</u>. ASASP has 9 member companies representing the majority of synthetic amorphous silica (SAS) producers in Europe. Find out more at <u>asasp.eu</u>.

