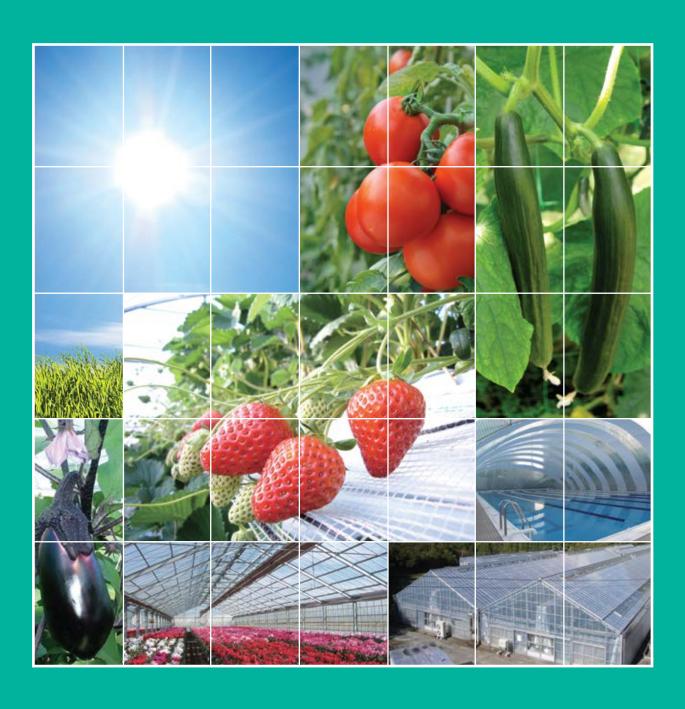




# F-CLEAN®

### Bringing the sunshine inside



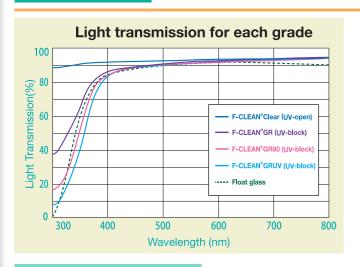
# F-CLEAN® Clear

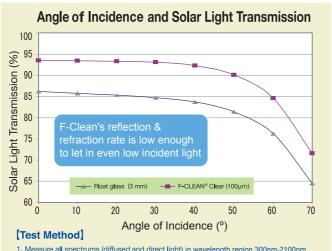
### **Bringing the sunshine inside**

### Function

- F-CLEAN® Clear enables extremely high light transmission.
- It has the highest UV transmission of all greenhouse covering materials.
- It takes the full spectrum of solar light resulting in healthy crops and vivid colours.
- It has excellent light transmission at all angles of incidence.

### **Performance**





### **Excellent durability**





60µm thick F-Clean® installed in the Aichi region of Japan in 1988 (photographed 2009)

60µm thick F-Clean® installed in the Ibaraki region of Japan in 1988 (photographed 2010)

### **Applications**

- For crops requiring anthocyanin such as aubergines and strawberries
- For greenhouses growing high quality and/or high added value crops
- For compost houses (animal manure and food leftovers)
- For drying houses (e.g. salt, fish and plums)
- To improve honeybee pollination



For better colour and the prevention of internode elongation.







Seedlings

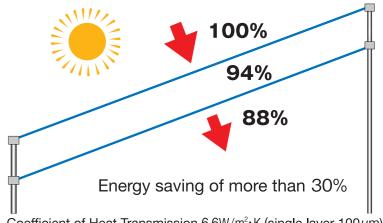
**Aubergines** 

Strawberries

### **Double Layer Projects**

Provides very high thermal insulation and light transmission.





Coefficient of Heat Transmission 6.6W/m<sup>2</sup>·K (single layer 100μm)  $3.8\text{W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K} \text{ (double layer } 100\mu\text{m} + 60\mu\text{m})$ 

\*Measurements based on AGC's test method

### Projects for non-agricultural applications





Fermenting houses for composting

Hothouses for drying fruit

Hothouses for drying plums

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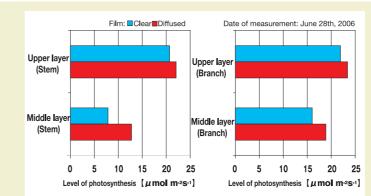
### F-CLEAN® Diffused Series

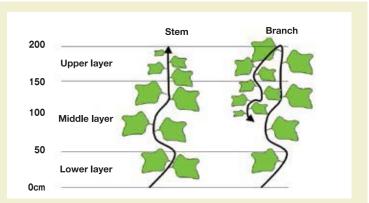
### Tests done by independant research institute



Cooperation: Wageningen University (Dutch agricultural research organization)

### Comparisons between levels of photosynthesis (Crop: Cucumbers)





Opinion of diffused film customers

Q: Would you choose F-CLEAN® Diffused again?

Survey date: 2008

**Customer Satisfaction Survey** 

**Undecided 13%** 

Greenhouses with diffused film recorded a 4.3% increase in yield and a 7.8% increase in numbers compared to greenhouses with clear film from April to July 2006.

### Photometer data

Location of measurement: Kochi, Nankoku-shi, Japan. Date of measurement: July 3rd, 2008

The light from F-CLEAN® Diffused is ideal for crops and humans. As a result, project numbers increase year on year.

87%

Photon flux density in greenhouse Clear (UV-open) Diffused (UV-oper 2500

1500 1000 → sunny sunnv 14:24 14:52 time

The photometer results show no difference in photon levels of clear film and diffused film whether the weather is sunny

Photometer: Equipment which measures light transmission of photon with an angle of incidence of 270°

### **Projects**



Grade: 60 µm Diffused Crop: Strawberries Place: Tochiqi

Grade: 80 µm GR Diffused Crop: Chrysanthemums

Place: Ibaraki

Note: The benefits of F-CLEAN® Diffused may not be maximized with certain conditions or crops. For more information, please contact your local sales office.

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### Grade: 80 µm GR Diffused

Crop: Tomatoes Place: Aichi

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# F-CLEAN® Diffused Series

### A fluorine film which diffuses light evenly

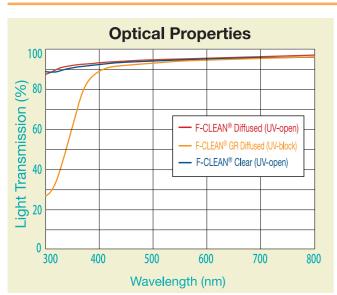
#### **Function**

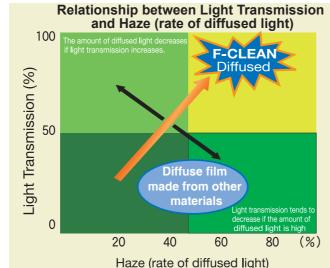
- F-CLEAN® Diffused Series diffuses light evenly, eliminating shadows.
- The haze of F-CLEAN® Diffused is extremely high at 60-70 %. (If condensation appears on the matte surface, the direct light tends to increase.)
- F-CLEAN® Diffused film enables more photosynthesis on every leaf.

### Grades

Available in two grades: Clear and GR (mild UV cut)

### **Performance**

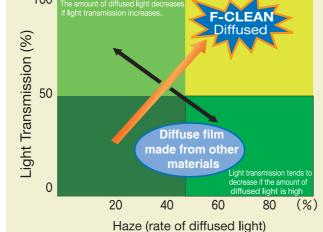












### F-CLEAN® GR series

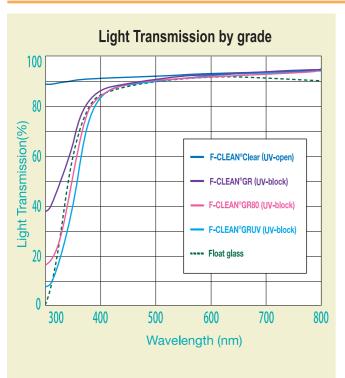
# F-CLEAN® GR series

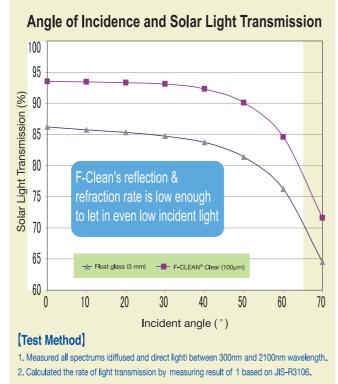
### **UV Cut Grades**

#### **Function**

- There are three types of UV cut film available to suit the needs of different plant types.
- The UV cut grade also helps to protect materials and tools inside the greenhouse from UV damage.
- The UV cut function is long-lasting.

### **Performance**





### F-CLEAN®GR

F-CLEAN®GR provides low UV cut (Clear/Diffused)

### F-CLEAN®GR80

**UV** cut properties similar to Glass (Clear)

### F-CLEAN®GRUV

Highest UV cut in F-CLEAN series (Clear)

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### **Example Projects**

# Cyclamens GR

# Melons

### Grower's opinion

- ·GR cuts UV slightly, it encourages the growth of crops
- (Chiba Prefecture, Japan: pot plants
- ·Growing time is reduced.
- (Aichi Prefecture, Japan: chrysanthemums)

### **Tomatoes**





#### Grower's opinion

- High light transmission in Winter enables increased yields compared to when other covering materials are used. (Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan: tomatoes)
- The UV cut is ideal for both crops and workers.

### Rose House



Roses



#### Grower's opinion

- Increased winter yields (Oita prefecture, Japan: Roses
- ·Improved rose quality and also increased number of flower heads due to improved new shoot growth.

**Trends** 

**GR80** 

Level of F-Clean GR Series use: \_\_\_\_\_high







Chrysanthemum Carnation Rose Rose Gerbera **Lily** Eustoma Cyclamen Moth orchid Tomato Melon Perille frutescens Cucumber GRUV Rate of UV-cut GR **GR80** 

### **Points**

- ◆ Honeybees may behave differently under UV cut conditions. Professional bee keeping advice should be sought.
- Care should be taken when using F-Clean® GR grade films if the colour of the crop relies on anthocyanin.

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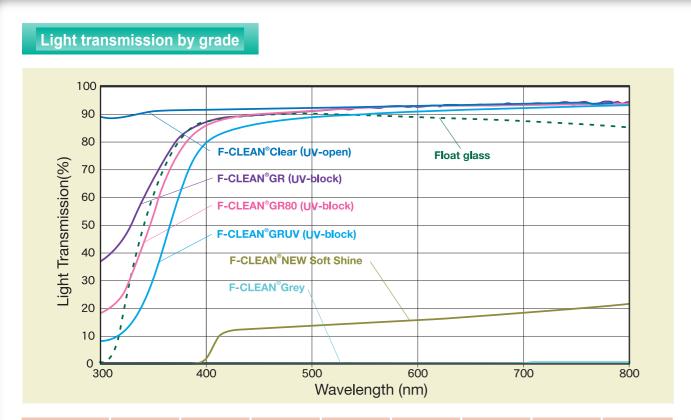
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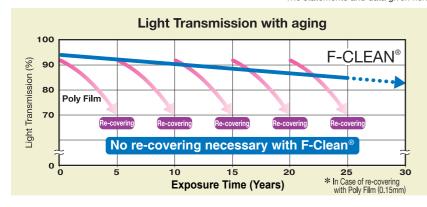
### F-CLEAN® General Properties

# F-CLEAN® General Properties



Film thickness	Clear 60µm (UV-open)	Diffused 60µm (UV-open)	GR 60µm (UV-block)	GR80 80µm (UV-block)	GRUV 100µm (UV-block)	GR Diffused 80µm (UV-block)	NEW Soft shine 100µm	GREY 100µm
Light Transmission(%)	94	94	93	93	92	93	14	0
Transmission(%) at 300nm	89	88	38	18	8	28	0	0

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F-CLEAN®Expected durability				
Thickness	Expected durability			
50μm	~10 years			
60 <i>µ</i> m	10~20 years			
80µm	12~22 years			
100µm	15~25 years			
160µm	over 25 years			

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### **Mechanical Properties**

Items	Test Method	Unit	F-CLEAN® Clear 100µm	PET 150µm	Poly Film 150µm	PV 100µm
Tensile Strength	JIS K7127	MPa	60	230	35	25
Tensile Elongation	JIS K7127	%	406	81	600	340
Elmendorf's Tear Resistance	JIS K7128	N	21	1	10	9
Right Angle Tear Resistance	JIS K7128	N/mm	214	387	128	76

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### **Properties**

Chemical Formula	- (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) m- (C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ) n-	Chemical Name	ETFE (Ethylene Tetrafluoroethylene copolymer)
Specific Gravity	1.75	Continuous Service Temperature	-100°C to +150°C
Melting Point	260℃	* Coefficient of Heat Transmission	6.6W/m <sup>2</sup> ·K(1 layer 100 $\mu$ m) 3.8W/m <sup>2</sup> ·K(2 layers 100 $\mu$ m+60 $\mu$ m)
Coefficient of liner Expansion	0.01%/℃	Fire Proof Test	JIS A 1322 Class 1 (Flame Proof)
Water Contact Angle (Surface Property)	100°	Chemical Resistance	F-Clean is not affected by strong acidity or strong alkalinity.

\*Test method used by AGC

### Grades

Grade Names	Characteristics			
F-CLEAN <sup>®</sup> Clear	F-CLEAN® CLEAR takes full spectrums of solar light and provides light conditions the same as outside the greenhouse.			
F-CLEAN <sup>®</sup> Diffused	F-CLEAN® Diffused provides highly diffused light while maintaining high light transmission.			
F-CLEAN <sup>®</sup> GR series	F-CLEAN® GR series offers three grades with different rate of UV-cut as required.			
F-CLEAN <sup>®</sup> GR Diffused	F-CLEAN® GR Diffused combines the properties of diffused film and UV cut film.			
F-CLEAN <sup>®</sup> Grey	F-CLEAN® GREY cuts solar light up to 99%.			
F-CLEAN®NEW Soft Shine	F-CLEAN® New Soft Shine cuts infrared rays but transmits light.			

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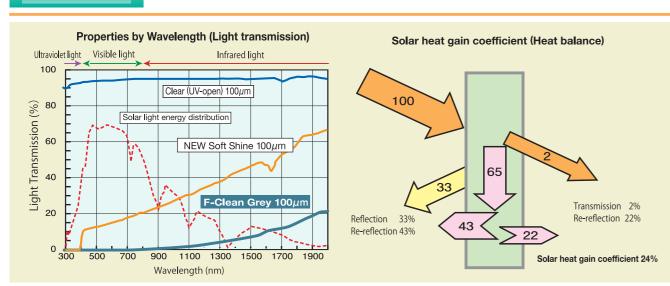
# F-CLEAN® Grey

### Grey film has a high light-filtering function to provide a cool environment in hot weather

### **Functions**

- Cuts over 99% of visible light
- Blocks heat energy from solar light and prevents the internal temperature from rising. (solar heat gain coefficient 24%, equivalent to F-CLEAN®New Soft Shine)
- Has excellent weatherability and chemical resistance.
- Absorption of infrared light is extremely high.
- •More snow resistant than F-Clean® Clear.

### **Performance**



### **Applications**

- Animal housing
- Warehousing
- Pergolas, Shelters
- Mushroom cultivation
- Sports facilities
- Greenhouses
- Sewage disposal facilities



Typical application



#### Examples



Irrigation room



Animal housing
\*covered with alternating clear and white film



Mushroom cultivation



Machinery Warehouse



Fish farm facility



Sewage disposal facility

#### Specification

•100μm x 1300mm x 50m with anti-dripping treatment (Special repair tape is available for Grey film)

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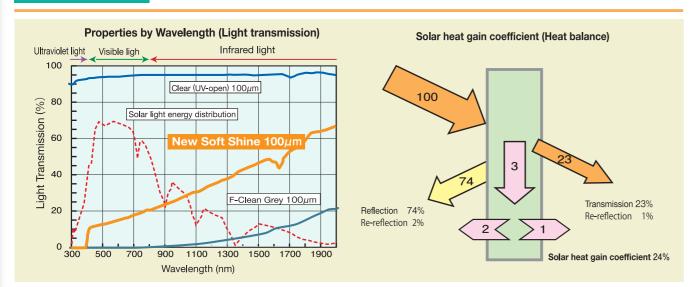
# F-CLEAN® New Soft Shine

### F-CLEAN® New Soft Shine cuts infrared rays while still transmitting light

### Characteristics

- Enables light transmission of about 14%, whilst simultaneously blocking heat energy from solar light to prevent temperature build-up inside (Solar heat gain coefficient 24% equivalent to F-CLEAN®Grey)
- Excellent weatherability and chemical resistance
- Cuts UV completely

### **Performance**



### **Applications**

- Animal housing
- Sheds/Warehouses
- Pergolas/Shelters
- Mushroom Cultivation
- Greenhouses
- Sports facilities



Typical application



### **Examples**



Mushroom cultivation



Shading for stores



Swimming pool \*covered with alternating clear and white film

\*These images show projects using original Soft Shine



Animal housing

\*covered with alternating clear and white film



**Delivery facility** 



Delivery facility (Germany)

### Specification

•100µm x 1300mm x 50m with anti-dripping treatment

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## F-((∈∩\)® Handling & Installing

### Please read before installing F-CLEAN®

### **Caution**



- DO NOT dispose of F-CLEAN® by burning. This may release hazardous gases and fumes.
- Dispose of F-CLEAN® in cooperation with your local waste processing company. Check disposal methods with the appropriate regulatory authorities.

### **Pre-installation notice**

- The side with the anti-dripping treatment should be installed towards the inside of the greenhouse and is marked with the text "INSIDE". Please note when installing.
- Do not stand a box containing F-CLEAN® on its end.
- Take personal safety precautions when lifting or moving F-CLEAN<sup>®</sup>.
- 1) If F-CLEAN® is loosely fixed over a greenhouse, it may flap in windy conditions and come into repeated contact with the structure of the greehouse. This may cause tearing after a period of time.
- ② Fix F-CLEAN® to fixing profiles stretching the film tightly like the skin of a drum.
- 3F-CLEAN® should be applied using very high tension at low temperatures (as film tension may reduce as temperatures rise).
- Any rough or sharp part of structure that comes into contact with F-CLEAN® must be covered to avoid damaging F-CLEAN®.
- Please ask greenhouse constructors about profiles (e.g. aluminium bars, rafters and screws) before making a choice.
- Try to avoid touching the side of F-CLEAN® treated with anti-dripping treatment as it may reduce the ant-dripping properties.
- Do not store flammable materials close to F-CLEAN® due to the possibility of static electricity.

### Film maintenance and advice

- Damaged F-CLEAN® can be repaired using F-CLEAN® repair tape.
- Make sure the space around the damage is clean and dry (use a soft cloth) before repairing.
- Heating the area with hot air after applying the repair tape (i.e. using an industrial dryer) could strengthen the adhesivity of the repair tape. (F-CLEAN® Repair Tape Specification: 50mm wide x 10m per roll)
- The anti-dripping characteristics of F-CLEAN® may reduce after years of use. If this happens it is possible to re-treat with a special spray to renew the anti-dripping coating.

Please use five to six 500ml bottles of F-CLEAN® anti-dripping treatment per 1,000m<sub>2</sub> greenhouse. Soft water is required for dilution. Dilution rate is 1:150.



- F-CLEAN® may need to be cleaned depending on greenhouse location or internal conditions.
- If using spray shading liquid, please contact the manufacturer regarding suitability of use with F-CLEAN®.
- Attaching could be difficult if shading liquid is applied to F-CLEAN® immediately after installation.
- Materials which contain titanium oxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) have a strong photocatalyst effect which may damage F-CLEAN®.
- Lens effect happens when solar light passes through drops of rainwater on film. This can cause a spark or melting of materials inside. Remove residual rainwater especially on ventilation windows.



Photocatalyst

F-CLEAN® repair tape

Anti-dripping treatment

for F-CLEAN®



 F-CLEAN® was designed for horticultural and industrial use. Please contact us if you are considering the use of F-CLEAN® ETFE film for other applications.

Contact us for further information.

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