

# Run rates likely to be reduced at ACN plant of Sumitomo

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Sumitomo Chemical Co is operating likely to reduce run rates further at its acrylonitrile (ACN) plant, according to a Polymerupdate source in Japan.

Run rates at the plant are likely to be reduced to 60% of production capacity in early 2013. The plant is presently running at 65%-70% of production capacity.

The planned curtailment in run rates has been attributed to weak demand for the product in the domestic markets.

Located at Niihama in Japan, the ACN plant has a production capacity of 60,000 mt/year.

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