



# Protopasta

## 3D Printing Filament

Technical Data Sheet Rev. 1

### Quantum Dots (HTPLA)

Protopasta HTPLA is a corn-based biopolymer made in the US. We conduct all compounding and extrusion in-house in our Vancouver, WA facility, and all of our materials come standard on recyclable spools. Quantum Dot HTPLA is available at [protopasta.com](http://protopasta.com) in Red, Orange, Yellow, and Green.

### Material Properties

Properties	Value/Description
Base material	Heat-treatable PLA
Characteristics	Low odor, non-toxic, renewably sourced
Molecular structure	Amorphous or partially crystalline ( <i>Amorphous as printed, part crystalline when heat-treated</i> ) ( <i>Melting resets crystalline structure to amorphous state</i> )
Additives	InP-based quantum dots (0.04%)
Density	approx. 1.24 g/cc
Length	approx. 346 m/kg (1.75 mm)
Min bend diameter	15 mm (1.75 mm)
Glass transition (Tg) onset	approx. 60 deg C (140 deg F)
Melt point (Tm) onset	approx. 155 deg C (310 deg F)
Max use	Tg for amorphous, Tm for crystalline

*Use limit is geometry-, load-, & condition-dependent*

### Print Settings

(Based on BambuLabs Generic PLA profile)

Setting	Value
Nozzle Temperature	220-240C
Heated Bed Temperature	55-65C
Print Speed	100-150mm/s
Flow Rate/Extrusion Multiplier	100%
Extrusion Width	.45mm (.05mm larger than nozzle size)
Volume Flow Rate	10-12mm <sup>3</sup> /s

*We do not recommend drying our PLA-based materials. If you notice evidence of moisture (surface defects, popping sounds, underextrusion, etc), these can be addressed in the settings by increasing the speed and/or decreasing the temperature.*

*Results may vary based on print settings, as well as print quality.*

*For additional support, please reach out to [support@protoplant.com](mailto:support@protoplant.com).*