

ABSTRACT

The object of the present invention is to provide an acrylic acid based pigment dispersant that satisfies an improved dispersibility of an inorganic pigment having small particle size and a suppressing effect on exothermic heat during wet grinding, which has been required for a recent dispersant. The present invention is a pigment dispersant comprising a (meth)acrylic acid based copolymer obtained using as essential components a (meth)acrylic acid monomer and a (meth)acrylic acid alkyl ester monomer with an alkyl group having carbon atoms of 4 to 8, and an alcohol having carbon atoms of 4 to 8, and is one in which weight ratio of the alcohol having carbon atoms of 4 to 8 is in the range from 1,000 ppm to 30,000 ppm based on the (meth)acrylic acid based copolymer.