



MATERIAL SCIENCE ANSWERS TO AIRCRAFT ELECTRIFICATION CHALLENGES

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Dow silicones used for:

**Cabins, ground support, engines,
airframe, and electronic protection**

- *Resistance to fuels, water, oils*
- *Remains flexible from -115°C to 150°C continuous, up to 250°C for short durations*
- *Injectable, non-curing when needed*
- *From high flow for fast dispensing to controlled rheology for use on vertical surfaces*
- *Vibration/shockdampening*
- *Reduced maintenance cost*
- *Flame retardant options*
- *High movement capable*

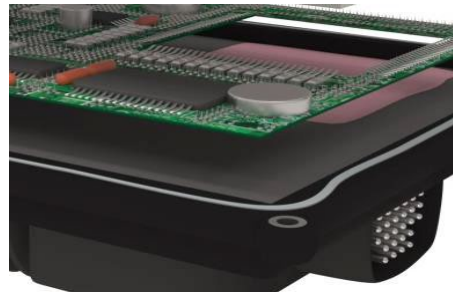


OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE INDUSTRY

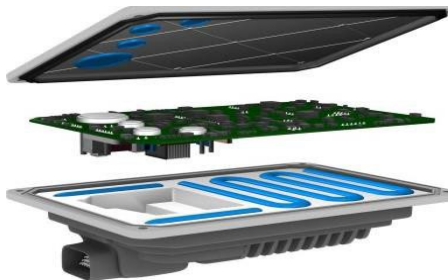
Silicone solutions from Dow



Encapsulants and
conformal coatings



Thermally- and electrically-
conductive adhesives



Thermally-conductive gap fillers and
printable pads



Structural sealing and
bonding



Thermally-conductive
encapsulants



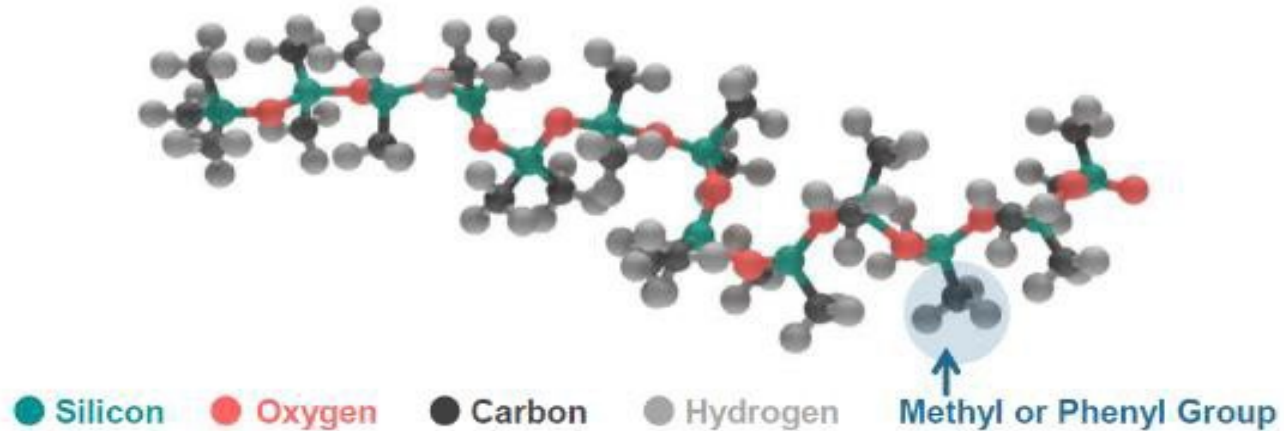
Foam gasket material



WHY SILICONES?

Typical features

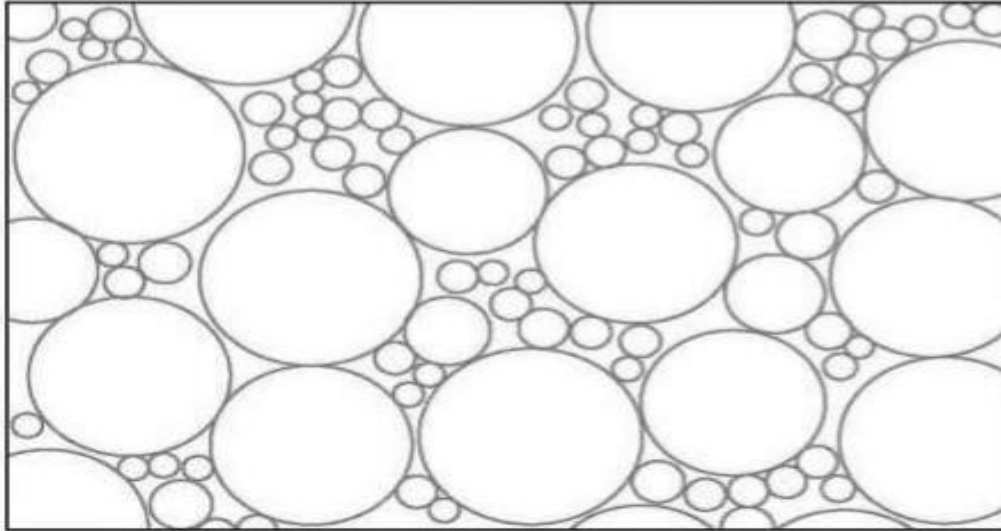
- Low variability of properties with temperature and time
- Various curing chemistries available such as fast room-temperature reaction for easier part handling
- Excellent surface-wetting ability
- Very high material purity



WHY SILICONES?

Silicone compounds loaded with thermally-conductive fillers

- Typically non-flammable (UL94 V-0)
- Remain flexible even at very high filler content (> 80 vol.%)
- If desired, the material can still be made flowable



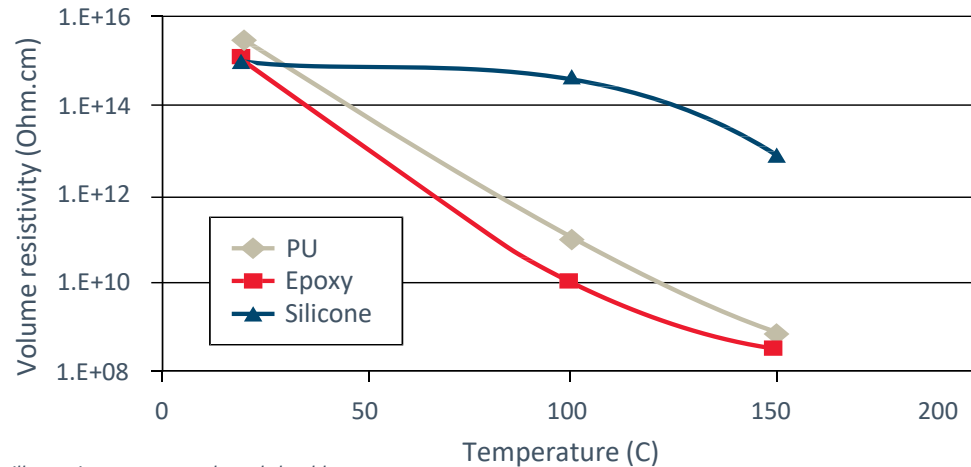
Multimodal particle size distribution to achieve very high loading

COMPARISON WITH ORGANIC POLYMERS

Durability	Contact corrosion	Electrical insulation
<p>Thanks to the Si–O bond, silicones are more stable and more flexible than their organic counterparts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Better flowability during process• Better resistance to processing and operating conditions	<p>Low risk of contact-corrosion- no water in the material</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• With their hydrophobicity, silicones have low water absorption• Silicones also allow entrapped water to escape	<p>Ideal for high-voltage insulation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Very limited water absorption• Electrical insulation retains at high temperatures• Very low ionic content* <p>* < 1 ppm for some products</p>

COMPARISON WITH ORGANIC POLYMERS

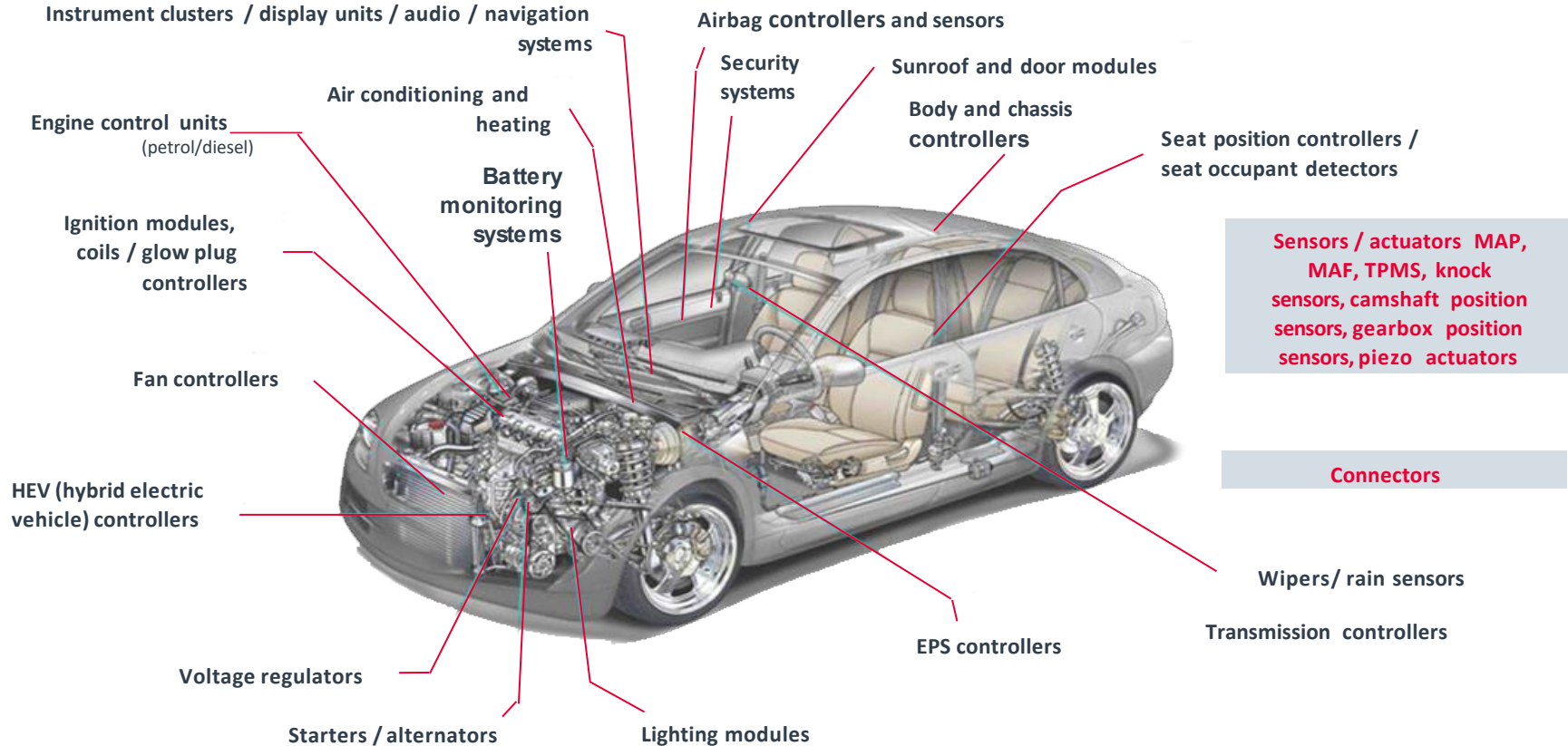
Covalent bonds	Energy [kJ/mol]	Bond length [Å]	Polymer	Water absorption (24 h)	Moisture vapor transmission
Si - O	445	1.63	Silicone	0.06 %	250 g
C - C	346	1.53	PU	0.09 %	12 g
C - O	356	1.42	Epoxy	1.20 %	7 g



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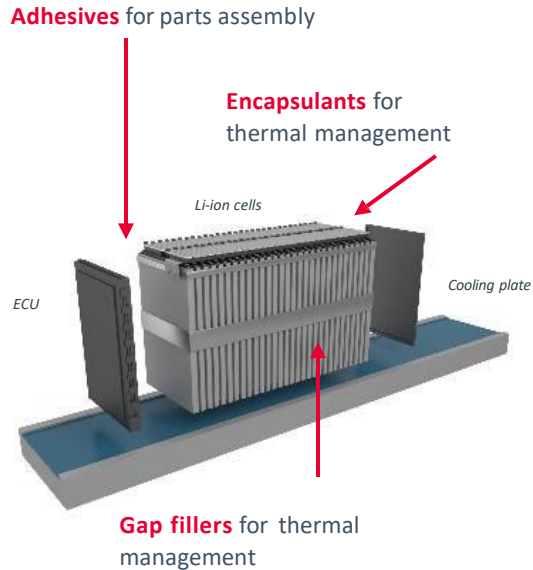


LEVERAGING OUR KNOWLEDGE FROM AUTO APPLICATIONS



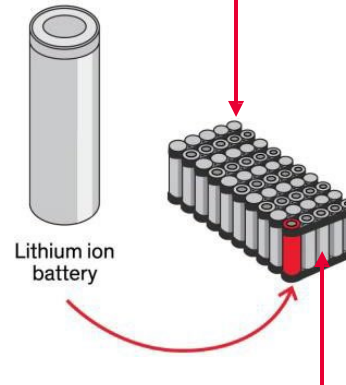
SILICONES IN BATTERY PACK ASSEMBLY

Prismatic or pouch cell



Cylindrical cells

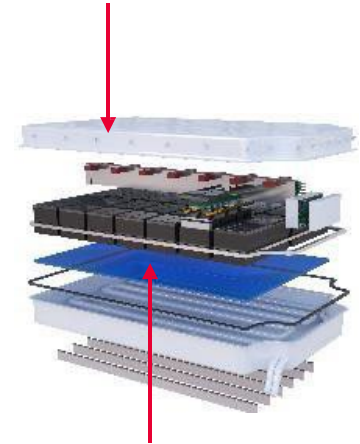
Encapsulants or **gap fillers** for thermal management



Encapsulants or **foams** for fire protection

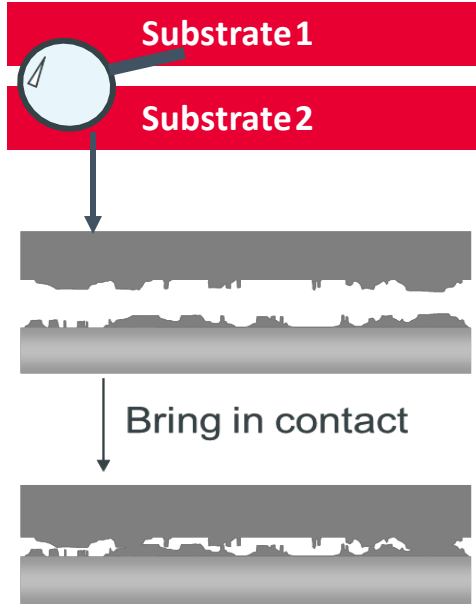
Battery packs

Adhesives for parts assembly

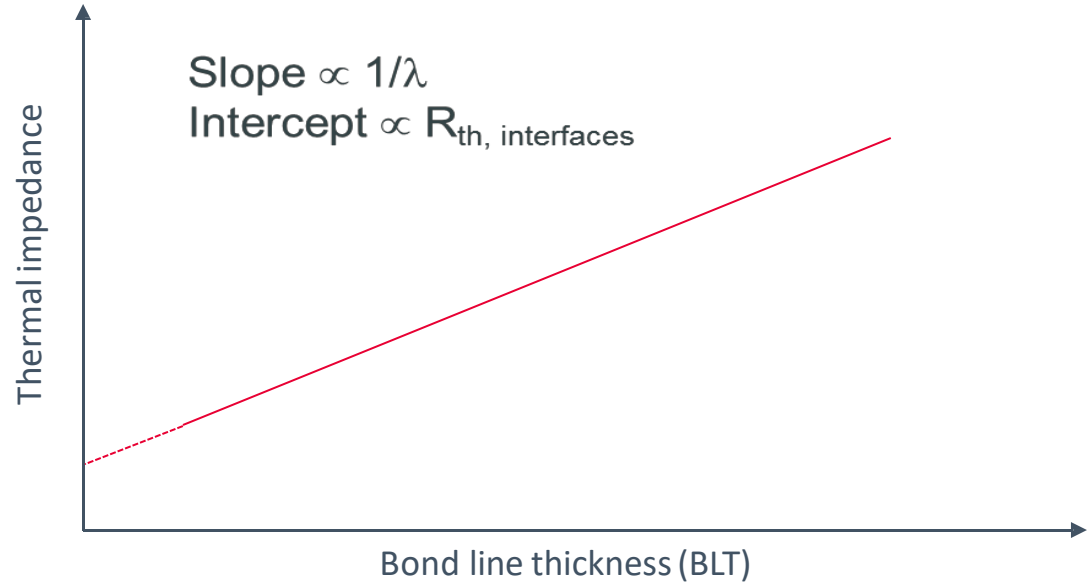


Encapsulants or **gap fillers** for thermal management

THERMAL MANAGEMENT — WHAT MATTERS?



- Device degradation
- Reliability issues
- Loss of performances



BATTERY THERMAL MANAGEMENT — ENCAPSULANTS

Battery modules and battery packs are commonly encapsulated with soft, thermally-conductive materials to fill existing voids and optimize heat dissipation.

Typical requirements

- Thermally conductive: 1~2 W/m.K
- Low viscosity to fill intricate geometries
- Electrically insulative
- Non-flammable: UL94 V-0 or FMVSS 302
- Vibration dampening: material has to remain flexible

Property	DOWSIL™ TC-4605	DOWSIL™ TC-4605 HLX
Thermal conductivity [W/m.K]	1.0	
Specific gravity	1.65	
Flammability	UL94 V-0 at 1.5 mm	
Cure time	1 h at 120°C	
Viscosity (mixed) [cP]	2900	1900
Dielectric strength [kV/mm]	21	24
Adhesion on anodized Al [MPa]	0.8	1.5

Main difference with a gap filler is with lower viscosity

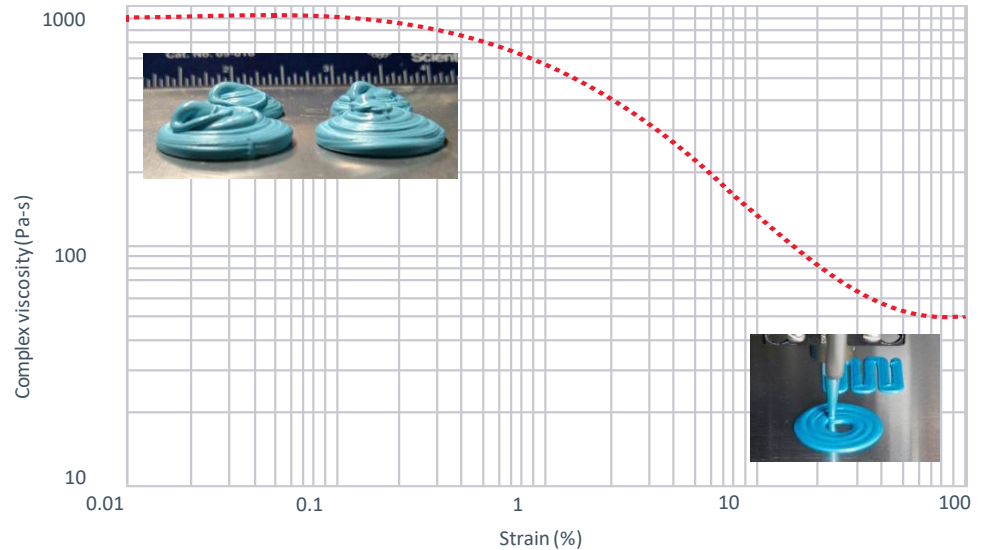
Higher thermal conductivities under development

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Thixotropic behavior useful for

- High-throughput dispense
- Good wetting of the substrate
- Accurate dispense (no afterflow)
- Stay in place, even in vertical position

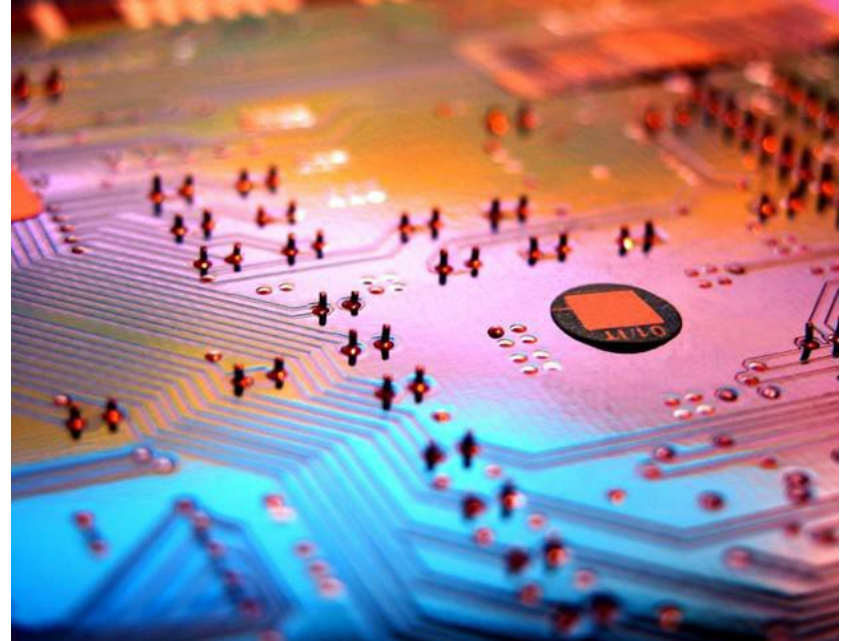


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DIELECTRIC GELS FOR PROTECTING SENSITIVE COMPONENTS

Silicone gels offer remarkably low modulus to protect the even some of the most delicate components against mechanical stress and the effects of thermal cycling.

- Maximum stress-relief
- Self-healing
- Flame-resistant gels with UL 94V flammability classification
- Unique options for solvent and fuel resistance, rapid UV-cure, and enhanced strength in toughened gels



DIELECTRIC GELS PROVIDE NOVEL SOLUTIONS FOR ENHANCED THERMAL RESISTANCE

Standard

- Room-temperature cure
- Colorless / pigmented
- One- or two-part

Low temperature

- DOWSIL™ 3-6635 Dielectric Gel down to -60°C
- DOWSIL™ Q3-6575 Dielectric Gel down to -80°C
- DOWSIL™ 3-4155 HV Dielectric Gel

Toughened

- Room-temperature / heat cure
- Colorless / pigmented
- Two-part
- Filled for durability
- Primerless adhesion

Specialty

- Low volatility
- UV Cure – DOWSIL™ X3-6211 Encapsulant
- SYLGARD™ 535 Thixotropic Dielectric Gel
- DOWSIL™ TC-3015 Thermal Gel

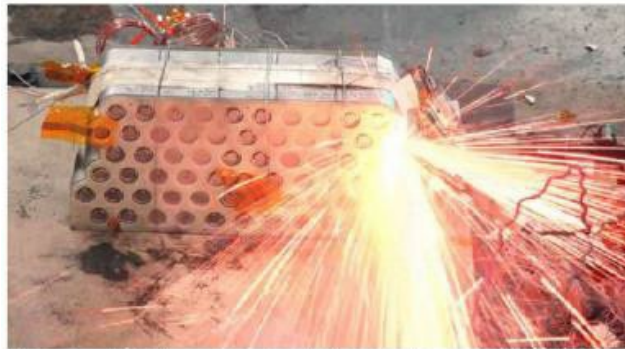


BATTERY FIRE PROTECTION — ENCAPSULANTS AND FOAMS

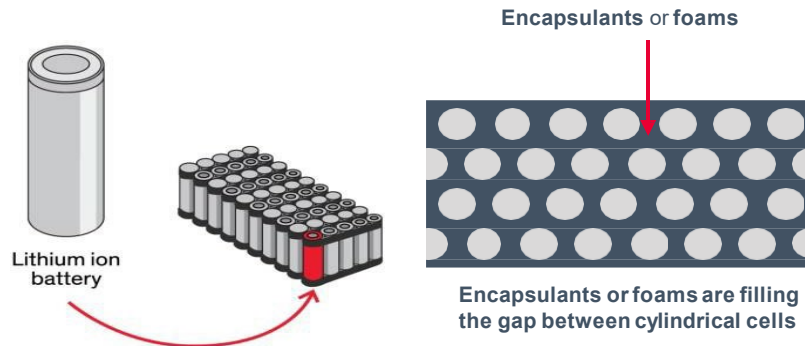
By providing individual cell protection in the case of a thermal event, silicone encapsulants and foams can slow thermal runaway propagation in lithium-ion battery systems.

Typical requirements

- Non-flammable:UL94 V-0
- Low viscosity to fill intricate geometries
- Vibration dampening:material has to remain flexible
- Electrically insulative
- Permeable to emergency degassing for pressure balancing during a thermal event



Source: NASA Presentation at Sustainable Aircraft Symposium May 2016



BATTERY FIRE PROTECTION: ENCAPSULANTS AND FOAMS – KEY PROPERTIES

Type	Material	Specific gravity	Cure condition (at 25°C)	Viscosity (mixed) [cP]
Encapsulant	SYLGARD™ 170 Silicone Elastomer	1.37	24 h	2,100
	SYLGARD™ 170 Fast Cure Silicone Elastomer	1.38	12 min	2,400
Foam	DOWSIL™ 3-6548 RTV Silicone Foam	0.2 ~ 0.4	1.5 min (snap time)	Part A: 50,000 Part B: 60,000

In case of fire protection, silicone foams are a lightweight alternative to traditional encapsulants

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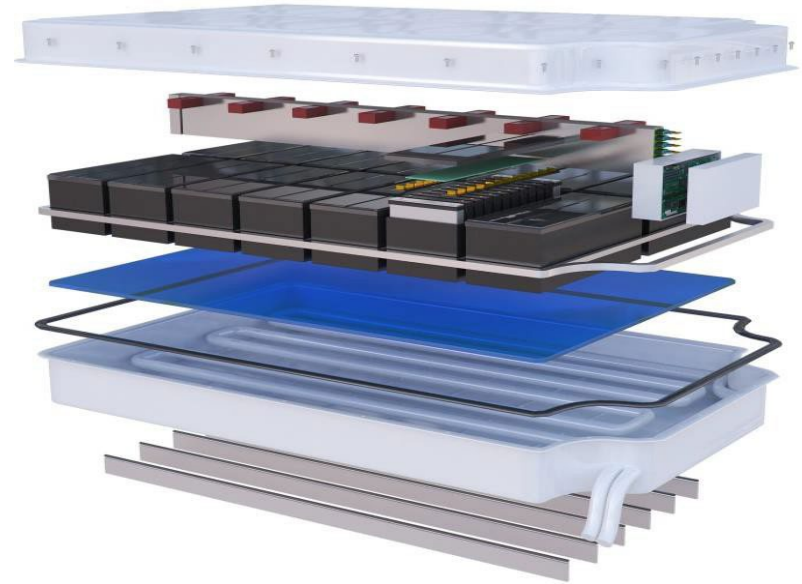
Flammability test on 3mm-thick
DOWSIL™ 3-6548 Foam



In a battery system, numerous parts have to be assembled together: battery housing, battery modules, cooling plate, ECU, temperature sensor, heatsinks, PTC heater...

Typical requirements

- Unprimed adhesion to a variety of metallic and plastic substrates
- Curing at room temperature to avoid heat generation in vicinity of the battery cells
- Electrically insulative
- Depending on the application, thermally conductive adhesives can be considered



BATTERY ASSEMBLY: ADHESIVES — FASTER RTCURING

New DOWSIL™ EA-4700 CV Adhesive offers faster room-temperature curing to customers.

Two-part, room-temperature vulcanization

- Cure in 2 hours at 25°C
- 20 minute pot life
- Controlled silicone volatility

Room-temperature adhesion

- Achieve cohesive adhesion within 24 hours
- Durable adhesion to typical substrates

Two-part, room-temperature vulcanization

- 150°C aging
- 85°C/85% RH aging
- Thermal shock

 >0.5 MPa
3 hours

 100% CF
24 hours

 >2 MPa
1 week

Substrate	Lap shear [MPa]
Die cast Al	2.4
PA	2.0
PBT	2.4
PPS	2.4
PC	2.3
Glass	2.0

Bond line thickness: 1 mm
Curing: 1 week at 25°C

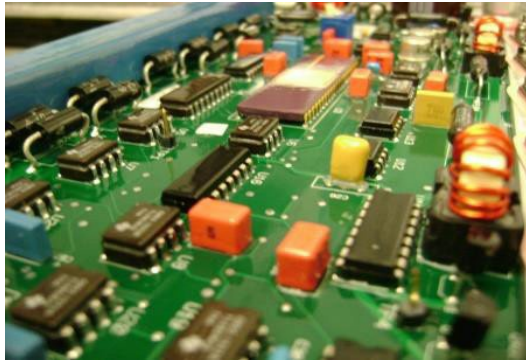
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ELECTROMAGNETIC SHIELDING: WHERE IS **YOUR** DESIGN FOCUS?

- Reducing the electromagnetic field in a space by blocking it with barriers made of conductive or magnetic materials.
- EMI shielding can be performed at different levels.
- Many silicone products can be used to help deliver effective EMI shielding.

The unique silicone characteristics, in combination with fillers blends, can deliver customized electrical conductivity.



PCB Design

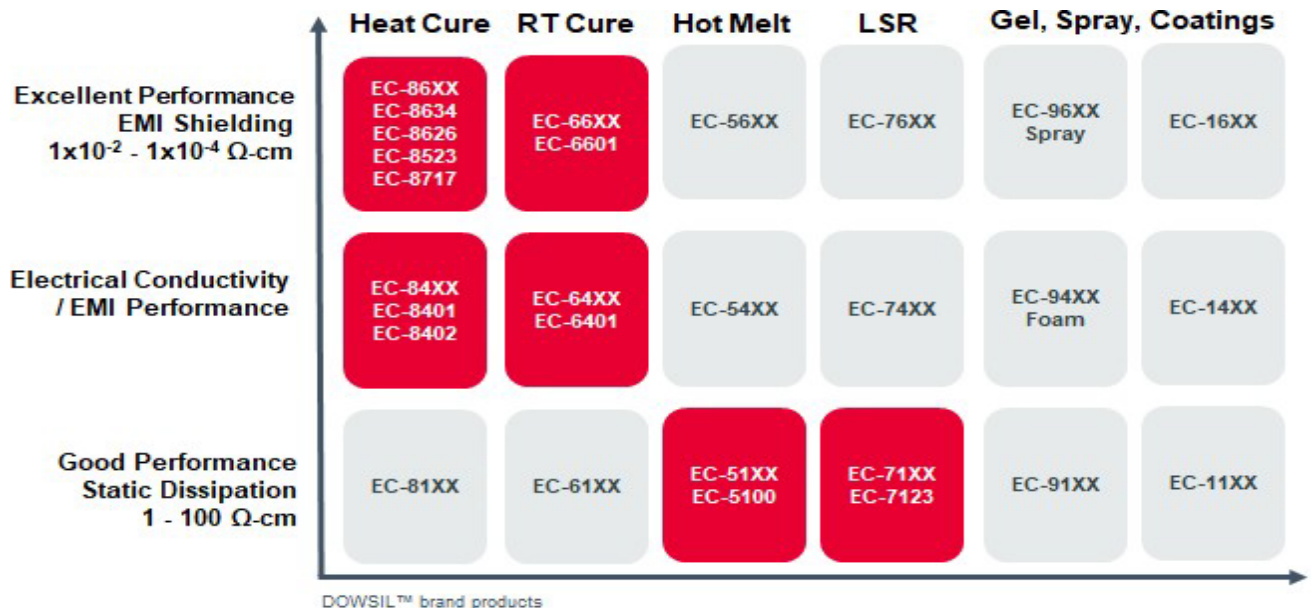


Module design, material selection and assembly



System design and assembly

DOWSIL™ EC/EMI SILICONE PORTFOLIO AT A GLANCE



Delivery - multiple productforms

Adhesive, sealant, low modulus elastomer, cure-in-place and form-in-place gasket (FIPG), emulsion, coating, gel, foam, spray

Formulation expertise

- Innovative toolbox of key intermediates, polymers, and additives that can be modified and formulated to fit your needs
- Expertise in electrically conductive fillers

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DOW IS **YOUR** EMI PARTNER

*Bring us your challenges—
We want to help you design your solutions*

Innovative approach

- Close collaboration to help you design the solutions you need
- Deep technical expertise in material design and engineering

Formulation expertise

- Multiple product forms: adhesives, elastomers, gaskets, low-modulus emulsions, coatings
- Innovative toolbox of key intermediates, polymers and additives that can be modified and formulated to fit your needs



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Supply chain integration

- Backward integration to source materials to build silicone polymers and intermediates

Proven performance

- More than 15 years of electrically conductive adhesive experience in demanding semiconductor markets

Silicone EMI solutions

- **Shielding, absorption, grounding**
- **Shielding effectiveness**
- **Electrical resistivity**
- **Filler type**
- **Mechanical (elongation, strength)**
- **Thermal stability**
- **Processing**



CUSTOMER SATISFACTION STARTS WITH DESIGN

DOWSIL™ Silicone solutions can help with:

Process optimization

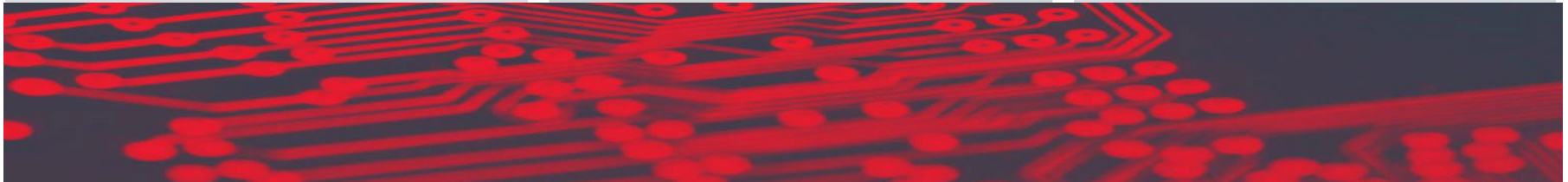
- **Energy-saving**
(Lower temperature of cure, shorter time)
- **Minimize substrates preparation**
- **Reduce equipment maintenance**

Product handling optimization

- **Storage**
- **Shelf life**
- **Dispensing**
- **Assembly**
- **Cure**

Improving product robustness

- **Void-free**
- **Vertical holding**
- **Cure**
- **Adhesion**





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