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Thermally conductive materials selection guide

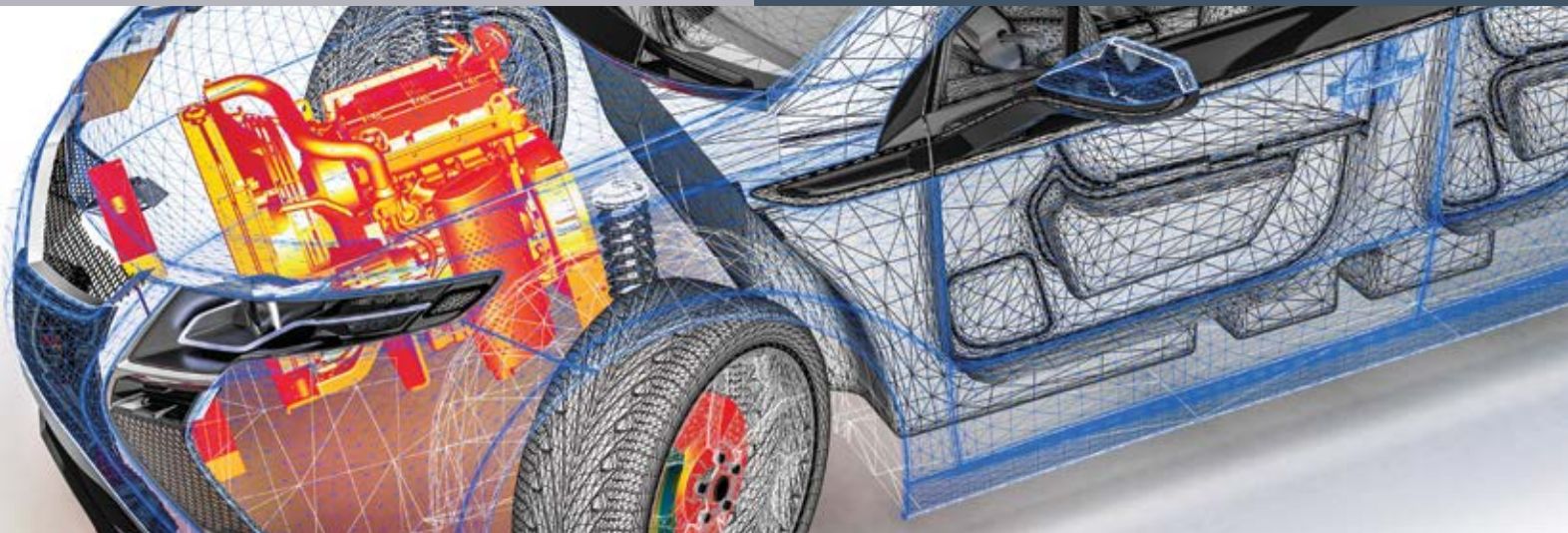
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# Why choose Dow Performance Silicones?

Dow Performance Silicones has been a global leader in silicone-based technology for more than 70 years. Headquartered in Michigan, USA, we maintain manufacturing sites, sales and customer service offices, and research and development labs in every major geographic market worldwide to ensure you receive fast, reliable support for your processing and application development needs.



## Unique product technology

To describe Dow Performance Silicones is to describe the history and evolution of silicone technology, which generated a legacy of innovative and reliable products under the *Dow Corning*<sup>®</sup> label for more than seven decades. Today that legacy continues under the DOWSIL<sup>™</sup> brand name, which encompasses more than 7,000 proven silicone products and services. Few companies offer an encapsulant portfolio with comparable breadth and proven performance, and none match our history in silicone technology.

## Extensive know-how

Dow Performance Silicones multiplies the value of its products with deep in-house expertise and an extended network of industry resources.

## Collaborative culture

Dow Performance Silicones works closely with you to help reduce time and cost at every stage of your new-product development.

## Stability

For more than seven decades, Dow Performance Silicones has been a global leader who invests in manufacturing and quality to help fuel customer innovation through a consistent supply of proven silicone products.



## Why heat is the enemy of devices

The reasons may vary from application to application. Yet, improved thermal management is increasingly critical to maintaining the long-term performance and reliability of PCB system assemblies in virtually every industry.

**Transportation:** From rail to road, vehicles are increasingly reliant on PCB system assemblies for everything from optimized fuel consumption and safety to propulsion and braking. As this trend accelerates, it will drive demand for higher performance and more cost-effective thermal management solutions.

**Heat management:** The trend toward smaller devices with more densely packed PCB system components is converging with expanded use of flip chip and stacked die architectures. As a result, new thermal management solutions are needed to effectively dissipate heat and deliver greater device reliability.

**Solid-state lighting:** Unlike conventional light sources, the ability to manage the temperature of an LED module has a direct impact on the reliability, output quality, lifetime and system cost of the device. Moreover, thermal management is becoming an increasingly important performance metric for the entire LED value chain, as solid-state lighting competes with conventional illumination for high-intensity and high-temperature applications.

**Power devices:** Power supplies and controls for industry, computer servers, and solar and wind energy are all managing higher electrical loads and, with them, increasing temperatures. The trend is creating a need for improved thermal management to dissipate heat in these devices, as this translates into improved performance, reliability and lifetime. Improved thermal management also offers needed design flexibility.

**Consumer devices and telecommunications:** Form factor optimization is one of the challenges facing this industry. This is in for consumer devices, requiring compact, multifunctional thermal management solutions.

## Next-generation thermal management materials ... today!

Dow listens closely to its customers and continuously innovates across product technologies to deliver next-generation thermal solutions when you need them – today.

Available in a broad range of viscosities and cure chemistries, our thermally conductive materials come in various delivery formats.

## Why silicone thermal solutions from Dow?

The inherent versatility of silicone chemistry can help expand your design freedom, increase your processing options, and enhance the performance and reliability of your device. As a class of materials, silicones generally offer demonstrable benefits over organic-based urethane and epoxy solutions, including:

- Superior stability and reliability across temperatures from -45°C to 200°C
- More physically robust under mechanical stress caused by thermal cycling or mismatched coefficient of thermal expansion
- Higher elongation and compression for extraordinary protection against shock and vibration
- Greater hydrostability and stronger resistance to chemicals
- None of the toxicity issues of organics, helping to reduce or eliminate special handling precautions
- Simpler processing without the need for oven-drying or concerns about exotherms
- Stable pot life and ease of reworkability

Dow builds on silicone's inherent potential by combining it with industry-leading materials knowledge, application expertise, customer collaboration and a global footprint. The value we add is further evident in the unmatched breadth of our industry-leading product portfolio, which encompasses a broad selection of thermally conductive adhesives, compounds, encapsulants and dispensable pads – all available in a wide range of delivery formats, viscosities, cure chemistries, and thermal and mechanical profiles.

There likely is a specific category or grade that delivers the optimal processing and performance advantages for your device design, and we've designed this guide to help you quickly narrow your search for a thermal management solution that meets your design goals for heat dissipation, processability and low cost of ownership.

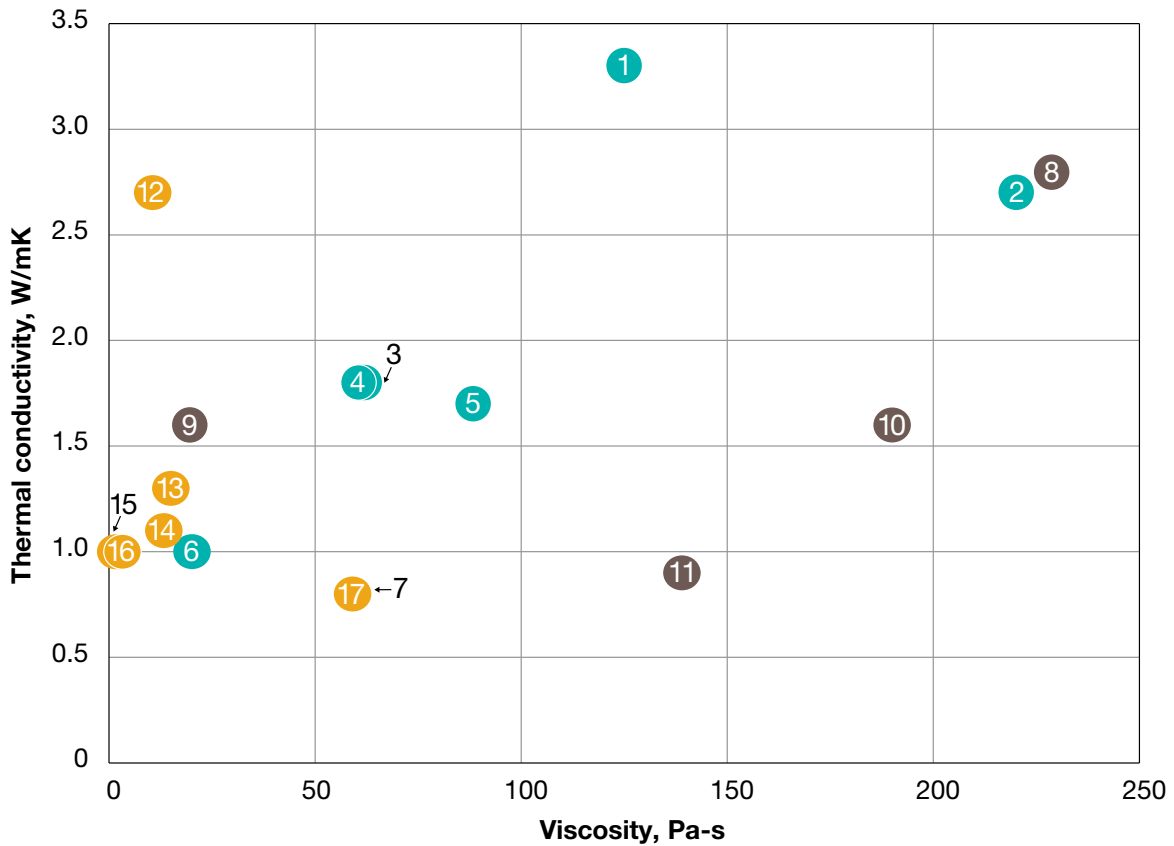
Thermally Conductive Adhesives

Thermally Conductive Encapsulants and Gels

Thermally Conductive Compounds

Thermally Conductive Gap Fillers

### Thermal conductivity vs. viscosity

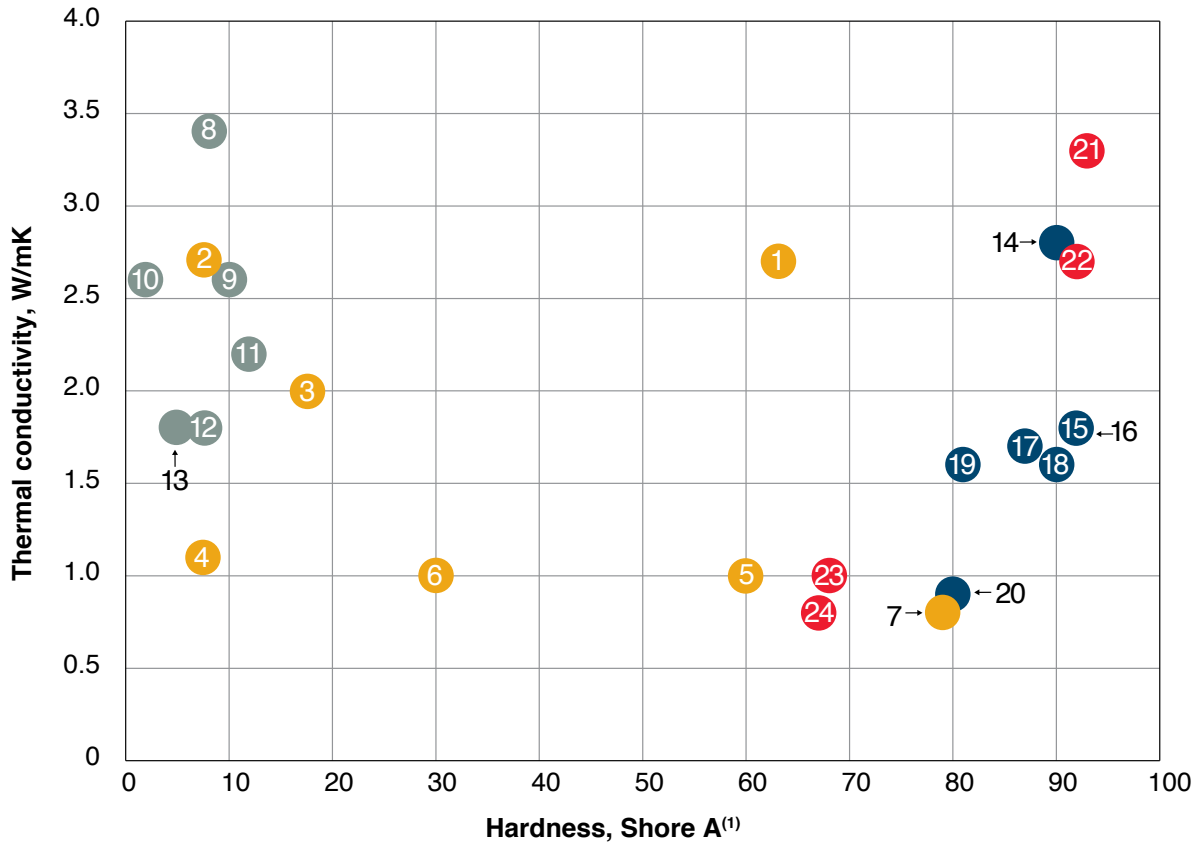


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- 7 DOWSIL™ Q1-9226 Thermally Conductive Adhesive
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**Legend:**

- Encapsulants and gels
- Room temperature cure adhesives
- Heat cure adhesives

**Thermal conductivity vs. hardness**



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- Legend:**
- Encapsulants
  - Gap fillers
  - One-part adhesives
  - Two-part adhesives

<sup>(1)</sup>Some hardness data estimated from Shore OO data.

## Choose your thermally conductive adhesive

DOWSIL™ thermally conductive silicone adhesives are suitable for bonding and sealing hybrid circuit substrates; semiconductor components; heat spreaders; and other applications that demand broad design, flexible processing options and excellent thermal management.

The high-performance materials in our portfolio encompass moisture-cure grades for simple, room-temperature processing as well as heat-cure solutions for speeding productivity and time to market. Options range from low-viscosity liquids that fill oddly shaped gaps and ensure large contact areas for maximal heat transfer to nonslump formulations to hold vertical position prior to cure completion.

### Thermally conductive adhesives

	Cure type (chemistry)	Key features/advantages											Appearance	Thermal conductivity, W/mK	
		Unique features	Room temperature cure	Heat cure	Short tack-free time	Controlled volatility	UL 94 V-0	Low viscosity	Flowable	Thixotropic	High tensile strength	180 µm glass beads			High performance stability through operating life
														CTM 0176/ ASTM E284	CTM 1163 <sup>(1)</sup> CTM 1388 <sup>(2)</sup>
<b>One-part adhesives</b>															
Decreasing thermal conductivity	<b>DOWSIL™ SE 4485 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Alkoxy moisture		✓			✓	✓		Semi				White	2.8 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ 1-4173 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation			✓			✓			✓	✓		Gray	1.8 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ 1-4174 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation			✓			✓			✓	✓	✓	Gray	1.8 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ 3-6752 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation			✓			✓						Gray	1.7 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ SE 4486 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Alkoxy moisture		✓			✓		✓	✓				White	1.6 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ TC-2022 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Thermal radical cure	Fast cure at moderate temperature										✓	Gray	1.6 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ EA-9189 H RTV Adhesive</b>	Alkoxy moisture		✓		✓	✓	✓					White	0.9 <sup>(2)</sup>	
<b>Two-part 1:1 mix ratio adhesives</b>															
Decreasing thermal conductivity	<b>DOWSIL™ TC-2035 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Low bond line thickness of 80 µm; optimized wetting on typical electronics substrates		✓			✓					✓	Part A: White Part B: Pink Mixed: Pink	3.3 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ TC-2030 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Bond line thickness above 130 µm		✓								✓	Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	2.7 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ 3-6751 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Low viscosity; low elastomeric modulus		✓			✓						Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	1.0 <sup>(1)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ Q1-9226 Thermally Conductive Adhesive</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Moderate flow; long pot life; good resilience due to high elongation; low elastomeric modulus		✓									Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	0.8 <sup>(1)</sup>

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Viscosity, Pa-s: @ 10 s <sup>-1</sup> (3) @ 20 rpm, RVF 7 <sup>(4)</sup>	Tack-free time @ 25°C/55% RH, min	Cure conditions	Density @ 25°C, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Durometer: Shore A <sup>(10)</sup> JIS Type A <sup>(11)</sup>	Linear coefficient of thermal expansion, ppm/°C	Tensile strength, MPa	Elongation at break, %	Lap shear adhesion, MPa (substrate)	Dielectric strength, kV/mm	Shelf life
CTM 1094 <sup>(3)</sup> CTM 0050/ ASTM D1084 <sup>(4)</sup>	CTM 0095/ ASTM D2377	CTM 0663 <sup>(5)</sup> CTM 0099/ASTM D2240 <sup>(6)</sup> CTM 0243/ASTM D816 <sup>(7)</sup>	CTM 0022/ ASTM D792 <sup>(8)</sup> CTM 0097/ ASTM D1475 <sup>(8)</sup>	CTM 0099/ ASTM D2240	CTM 0585/ ASTM E831	CTM 0137/ ASTM D412	CTM 0137/ ASTM D412	CTM 0243/ ASTM D816	CTM 0114/ ASTM D149	
230.0 <sup>(4)</sup>	3	5 hr/0.6 mm @ 25°C/50% RH 72 hr/2 mm @ 25°C/50% RH <sup>(5)</sup>	2.9 <sup>(8)</sup>	90 <sup>(11)</sup>	80	3.4	25	2.3 (Al) 1.2 (GL)	19	9 months @ 25°C
61.3 <sup>(4)</sup>	NA	90 min @ 100°C 30 min @ 125°C 20 min @ 150°C <sup>(6)</sup>	2.7 <sup>(9)</sup>	92 <sup>(10)</sup>	125	6.2	22	4.5 (Al)	18	6 months @ 5°C cold storage
62.3 <sup>(4)</sup>	NA	90 min @ 100°C 30 min @ 125°C 20 min @ 150°C <sup>(6)</sup>	2.7 <sup>(9)</sup>	92 <sup>(10)</sup>	125	5.2	NA	4.4 (Al)	16	6 months @ 5°C cold storage
88.3 <sup>(4)</sup>	NA	40 min @ 100°C 10 min @ 125°C 3 min @ 150°C <sup>(6)</sup>	2.6 <sup>(9)</sup>	87 <sup>(10)</sup>	138	3.8	15	3.6 (Al)	16	6 months @ 25°C
19.6 <sup>(3)</sup>	4	72 hr/3 mm @ 25°C/55% RH <sup>(5)</sup>	2.6 <sup>(9)</sup>	81 <sup>(10)</sup>	140	3.9	43	0.7 (Al) 1.6 (GL)	20	12 months @ 25°C
190 <sup>(4)</sup>	NA	15 min @ 100°C <sup>(7)</sup>	2.7 <sup>(8)</sup>	90 <sup>(10)</sup>	125	4.7	100	4.1 (Al)	16	12 months @ - 5°C cold storage
139 <sup>(3)</sup>	2	72 hr/3 mm @ 20°C/55% RH <sup>(5)</sup>	1.7 <sup>(8)</sup>	80 <sup>(10)</sup>	189	3.9	31	2.2 (Al) 2.3 (Cu) 2.4 (FR4)	28	9 months @ 25°C
Part A: 130 <sup>(3)</sup> Part B: 118 <sup>(3)</sup> Mixed: 125 <sup>(3)</sup>	NA	30 min @ 125°C 10 min @ 150°C <sup>(7)</sup>	3.0 <sup>(8)</sup>	93 <sup>(10)</sup>	92	3.6	43	2.7 (Al)	21	6 months @ 25°C
Part A: 250 <sup>(3)</sup> Part B: 200 <sup>(3)</sup> Mixed: 220 <sup>(3)</sup>	NA	60 min @ 130°C <sup>(7)</sup>	2.9 <sup>(8)</sup>	92 <sup>(10)</sup>	60	4.7	50	3.3 (Al)	21	12 months @ 25°C
Mixed: 20.2 <sup>(4)</sup>	NA	60 min @ 100°C 45 min @ 125°C 10 min @ 150°C <sup>(7)</sup>	2.3 <sup>(9)</sup>	68 <sup>(10)</sup>	180	2.8	36	3.5 (Al)	18	12 months @ 25°C
Part A: 48 <sup>(4)</sup> Part B: 43 <sup>(4)</sup> Mixed: 59 <sup>(4)</sup>	NA	60 min @ 100°C 45 min @ 125°C 10 min @ 150°C <sup>(7)</sup>	2.1 <sup>(9)</sup>	67 <sup>(10)</sup>	168	4.1	124	2.6 (Al)	25	12 months @ 25°C

## Choose your thermally conductive encapsulant, gel or dispensable thermal pad

Dow's selection of DOWSIL™ and SYLGARD™ thermally conductive silicone elastomers and gels presents flexible options for protecting sensitive components from harsh environmental conditions as well as from heat. Offering low viscosity before cure, these products process easily and fully embed tall components, delicate wires and solder joints to enhance thermal management – even for the most complex structures. Additionally, DOWSIL™ thermal pads enable you to quickly and precisely print a thermally conductive silicone compound in controllable thicknesses on complex substrates.

The silicone products in this versatile portfolio include:

- **Encapsulants**, which come in a variety of viscosities and cure chemistries and cure into rubbery elastomers that provide reliable protection from harsh environmental conditions
- **Gels** that offer remarkably low modulus to protect the most sensitive and delicate components against mechanical stress and the effects of thermal cycling
- **Dispensable thermal pads** that offer a versatile, cost-effective alternative to prefabricated thermal pads

### Thermally conductive encapsulants, gels and dispensable thermal pads

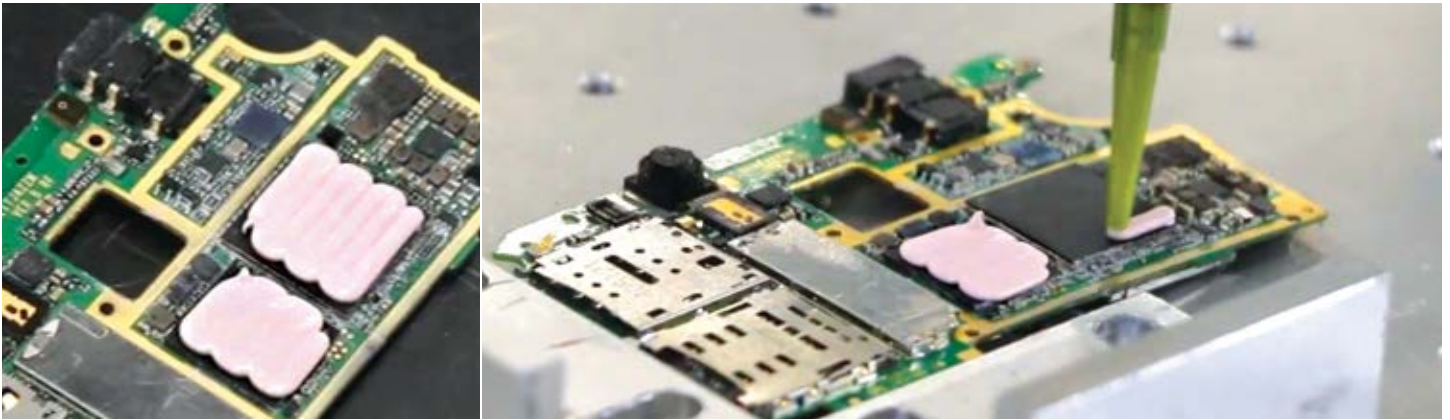
Decreasing thermal conductivity

	Mix ratio	Cure type (chemistry)	Key features/advantages								Appearance	Thermal conductivity, W/mK	
			Unique properties	Develops adhesion	Room temperature cure	Heat cure	UL 94 V-0	Controlled volatility	Reworkable, printable	Excellent dielectric properties			
											CTM 0176/ ASTM E284	CTM 1163/ JIS R 2618- 1992 <sup>(1)</sup> CTM 1388/ ASTM D5334 <sup>(2)</sup>	
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-6020 Thermally Conductive Encapsulant</b>	Two-part 1:1	Addition by hydrosilylation	High thermal conductivity with good flowability		✓			✓			✓	Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	2.7 <sup>(2)</sup>
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-4025 Dispensable Thermal Pad</b>	Two-part 1:1	Addition by hydrosilylation	DOWSIL™ TC-4026 Dispensable Thermal Pad provides 180 µm glass bead		✓			✓		✓		Part A: White Part B: Blue Mixed: Blue	2.7 <sup>(1)</sup>
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-3015 Reworkable Thermal Gel</b>	One-part	Addition by hydrosilylation					✓	✓	✓	✓		Pink	2.0 <sup>(2)</sup>
<b>DOWSIL™ SE4445 CV Thermally Conductive Gel</b>	Two-part 1:1	Addition by hydrosilylation					✓	✓	✓			Part A: White Part B: Black Mixed: Gray	1.3 <sup>(1)</sup>
<b>DOWSIL™ 3-6651 Thermally Conductive Elastomer</b>	Two-part 1:1	Addition by hydrosilylation	Low viscosity; low modulus; excellent wetting of surfaces				✓	✓				Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	1.1 <sup>(1)</sup>
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-4605 HLV Thermally Conductive Encapsulant</b>	Two-part 1:1	Addition by hydrosilylation	Low viscosity	✓			✓	✓			✓	Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	1.0 <sup>(1)</sup>
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-6011 Thermally Conductive Encapsulant</b>	Two-part 1:1	Addition by hydrosilylation		✓			✓	✓			✓	Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	1.0 <sup>(1)</sup>
<b>SYLGARD™ 3-6605 Thermal Conductive Elastomer</b>	Two-part 1:1	Addition by hydrosilylation	High tensile strength; long working time				✓					Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	0.8 <sup>(1)</sup>

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Viscosity, Pa-s: @ 20 rpm, RFV 7 <sup>(8)</sup> @ 20 rpm, RFV 3 <sup>(4)</sup> @ 100 rpm, RVF 3 <sup>(6)</sup> @ 3 rpm, LVT 3 <sup>(6)</sup> @ 10s <sup>-1(7)</sup>	Cure conditions	Density @ 25°C, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Durometer: Shore A <sup>(15)</sup> Shore OO <sup>(16)</sup> Penetration 10 <sup>-1</sup> mm <sup>(17)</sup>	Tensile strength, MPa	Elongation, %	Lap shear adhesion, MPa (substrate)	Dielectric strength, kV/mm	Volume resistivity, Ω•cm	Shelf life
CTM 0050/ ASTM D1084 <sup>(4, 5)</sup> CTM 1094/ ASTM D4440 <sup>(7)</sup>	CTM 1098 (T90)/ ASTM D4440 <sup>(8)</sup> CTM 0155/ JIS K 2207 <sup>(9)</sup> CTM 0099/ ASTM D2240 <sup>(10)</sup> CTM 0243/ ASTM D816 <sup>(11)</sup>	CTM 0022/ ASTM D792 <sup>(12)</sup> CTM 0097/ ASTM D1475 <sup>(13)</sup> CTM 0768/ ASTM D4052 <sup>(14)</sup>	CTM 0099/ ASTM D2240 <sup>(15, 16)</sup> CTM 0155/ JIS K 2207/ ASTM D217 <sup>(17)</sup>	CTM 0137/ ASTM D412	CTM 0137/ ASTM D412	CTM 0243/ ASTM D816	CTM 0114/ ASTM D149	CTM 0249/ ASTM D257	
Part A: 10.8 <sup>(4)</sup> Part B: 10.0 <sup>(4)</sup> Mixed: 10.6 <sup>(4)</sup>	23 min @ 60°C <sup>(6)</sup> 13 min @ 80°C <sup>(6)</sup> 5 min @ 100°C <sup>(6)</sup> 30 min @ 80°C <sup>(10)</sup>	2.9 <sup>(12)</sup>	63 Shore A <sup>(15)</sup>	1.0	21	0.3 (Al)	24	8.22E+15	9 months @ 25°C
Part A: 73 <sup>(7)</sup> Part B: 74 <sup>(7)</sup> Mixed: 70 <sup>(7)</sup>	24 hr @ 25°C <sup>(10)</sup> 30 min @ 100°C <sup>(10)</sup>	2.8 <sup>(12)</sup>	50 Shore OO <sup>(16)</sup>	0.2	209	NA	18	3.90E+12	6 months @ 25°C
220 <sup>(7)</sup>	7 hr @ 60°C <sup>(10)</sup> 30 min @ 100°C <sup>(10)</sup>	2.8 <sup>(12)</sup>	66 Shore OO <sup>(16)</sup>	0.3	485	NA	15	5.90E+14	6 months @ -25°C cold storage
Mixed: 15.0 <sup>(3)</sup>	30 min @ 120°C <sup>(9)</sup>	2.4 <sup>(14)</sup> 2.4 <sup>(12)</sup>	51 P <sup>(17)</sup>	0.1	350	NA	6	3.00E+15	6 months @ 25°C
Part A: 20.4 <sup>(6)</sup> Part B: 11.6 <sup>(6)</sup> Mixed: 13.3 <sup>(6)</sup>	60 min @ 120°C <sup>(10)</sup>	2.4 <sup>(13)</sup>	50 Shore OO <sup>(16)</sup>	0.6	180	NA	13	8.80E+14	12 months @ 25°C
Part A: 1.6 <sup>(5)</sup> Part B: 1.4 <sup>(5)</sup> Mixed: 1.9 <sup>(5)</sup>	60 min @ 120°C <sup>(11)</sup>	1.7 <sup>(13)</sup>	60 Shore A <sup>(15)</sup>	2.6	95	1.5 (Al)	24	1.08E+15	6 months @ 25°C
Part A: 3.2 <sup>(5)</sup> Part B: 2.4 <sup>(5)</sup> Mixed: 3.0 <sup>(5)</sup>	60 min @ 120°C <sup>(11)</sup>	1.6 <sup>(13)</sup>	30 Shore A <sup>(15)</sup>	0.8	100	0.8 (Al)	21	5.3E+14	9 months @ 25°C
Part A: 48.8 <sup>(3)</sup> Part B: 41.6 <sup>(3)</sup> Mixed: 59.1 <sup>(3)</sup>	90 min @ 100°C <sup>(10)</sup> 45 min @ 125°C <sup>(10)</sup> 15 min @ 150°C <sup>(10)</sup>	2.1 <sup>(12)</sup>	79 Shore A <sup>(15)</sup>	5.6	83	2.7 (Al)	25	5.70E+15	12 months @ 25°C

## Choose your thermally conductive compound

DOWSIL™ thermally conductive silicone compounds deliver high bulk conductivity and low thermal resistance to efficiently draw heat away from sensitive PCB components and dissipate it into the ambient environment. Applied via screen or print processes or by standard dispensing equipment, our thermal compounds flow easily to fully cover and fill surface irregularities for maximum coverage. Select grades from this family of products offer thermal conductivity as high as 4.3 W/mK.

### Thermally conductive compounds

Decreasing thermal conductivity

	Key features/advantages							Appearance	Thermal conductivity, W/mK	Viscosity, Pa.s: @ 10 s <sup>-1</sup> (6) @ dilatant strain, 10 rad/s(4) @ 1 rpm CPE 52(6) @ 10 rpm BS #7(6)
	Unique features	Thixotropic	Thin bond line	UL 94 V-0	Flowable	Nonflowable	Controlled volatility			
								CTM 0176/ ASTM E284	CTM 1163/ JIS R 2618- 1992(1) CTM 1388/ ASTM D5334(2)	CTM 1094/ ASTM D4440(3) CTM 1098/ ASTM D4065(4) CTM 50/ ASTM D4287(5, 6)
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-5888 Thermally Conductive Compound</b>	Excellent resistance to pump-out in high-stress MCP architecture; low volatiles content	✓						Gray	5.2(2)	100(4)
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-5622 Thermally Conductive Compound</b>			✓	✓				Gray	4.3(2)	95(5)
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-5021 Thermally Conductive Compound</b>					✓			Gray	3.3(1)	83(5)
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-5351 Thermally Conductive Compound</b>	Vertical holding capability	✓		✓			✓	Gray	3.3(1)	300(6)
<b>DOWSIL™ SC 4476 CV Thermally Conductive Compound</b>							✓	Gray	3.1(1)	310(6)
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-5026 Thermally Conductive Compound</b>			✓		✓			Gray	2.9(2)	102(5)
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-5121 Thermally Conductive Compound</b>			✓		✓			Gray	2.5(2)	86(5)
<b>DOWSIL™ SC 4471 CV</b>					✓		✓	White	2.0(1)	116(6)
<b>DOWSIL™ SE 4490 CV Thermally Conductive Compound</b>						✓	✓	White	1.9(1)	520(6)
<b>DOWSIL™ TC-5080 Thermal Grease</b>	Stable high-temperature performance					✓		White	1.0(2)	836(6)
<b>DOWSIL™ SC 102 Compound</b>						✓		White	0.8(1)	290(3)
<b>DOWSIL™ 340 Heat Sink Compound</b>	MIL-DTL-47113 compliant					✓		White	0.6(2)	540(3)

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Density @ 25°C, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Volatile content: ppm, D4-D10 <sup>(8)</sup> %, 24 hr @ 150°C <sup>(10)</sup> %, 24 hr @ 120°C <sup>(11)</sup> %, 48 hr @ 125°C <sup>(12)</sup> %, 24 hr @ 105°C <sup>(13)</sup>	Thermal resistance @ 2.75 kPa/40 psi, °C*cm <sup>2</sup> /W	Minimum BLT @ 2.75 kPa/40 psi, mm	Dielectric strength, kV/mm	Volume resistivity, Ω*cm	Dielectric constant @ frequency	Dissipation factor @ frequency	Shelf life
CTM 540/ ASTM D70 <sup>(7)</sup> CTM 0097/ ASTM D1475 <sup>(6)</sup>	CTM 839 <sup>(9)</sup> CTM 0033 <sup>(10, 11)</sup>	ASTM D5470		CTM 0114/ ASTM D149 <sup>(14)</sup> CTM 1035 <sup>(15)</sup>	CTM 249/ ASTM D257	CTM 0112/ ASTM D150 <sup>(16)</sup> CTM 1139/ ASTM D150 <sup>(17)</sup>	CTM 0112/ ASTM D150 <sup>(18)</sup> CTM 1139/ ASTM D150 <sup>(19)</sup>	
2.6 <sup>(7)</sup>	0.02% <sup>(12)</sup>	0.05	20	NA	NA	NA	NA	12 months @ 25°C
2.53 <sup>(7)</sup>	0.08% <sup>(10)</sup>	0.06	20	NA	NA	NA	NA	24 months @ 25°C
3.47 <sup>(7)</sup>	<1% <sup>(10)</sup>	0.2	NA	5.0 <sup>(14)</sup>	3.70E+11	8.1 @ 1 MHz <sup>(16)</sup>	6E-02 @ 1 kHz <sup>(18)</sup>	24 months @ 25°C
3.12 <sup>(7)</sup>	<400 <sup>(9)</sup>	0.24	50	6.2 <sup>(15)</sup>	3.10E+13	NA	NA	12 months @ 25°C
3.04 <sup>(7)</sup>	60 <sup>(9)</sup>	NA	NA	25	1.50E+14	5.4 <sup>(16)</sup>	1E-01 @ 50 Hz <sup>(18)</sup>	12 months @ 25°C
3.53 <sup>(7)</sup>	0.05% <sup>(10)</sup>	0.032	7	8.9 <sup>(14)</sup>	5.90E+11	7.4 @ 1 kHz <sup>(16)</sup>	3E-04 @ 1 kHz <sup>(18)</sup>	24 months @ 25°C
4.18 <sup>(7)</sup>	0.07% <sup>(10)</sup>	0.096	20	1.89 <sup>(14)</sup>	1.2 E+12	19.3 @ 1 kHz <sup>(17)</sup>	7E-02 @ 1 kHz <sup>(19)</sup>	24 months @ 25°C
2.76 <sup>(7)</sup>	0.11% <sup>(13)</sup>	NA	NA	NA	2.0 E+15	NA	NA	12 months @ 25°C
2.63 <sup>(7)</sup>	253 <sup>(9)</sup> 0.4% <sup>(11)</sup>	0.77	210	NA	2.0 E+14	4.8 @ 50 Hz <sup>(16)</sup>	1E-03 @ 50 Hz <sup>(18)</sup>	11 months @ 25°C
2.1 <sup>(8)</sup>	0.14% <sup>(10)</sup>	0.325	20	8.7 <sup>(14)</sup>	2.89E+15	NA	NA	12 months @ 25°C
2.45 <sup>(7)</sup>	0.4% <sup>(11)</sup>	0.62	50	2.1 <sup>(14)</sup>	2.0 E+16	4.0 @ 50 Hz <sup>(16)</sup>	2E-02 @ 50 Hz <sup>(18)</sup>	24 months @ 25°C
2.11 <sup>(8)</sup>	0.38% <sup>(10)</sup>	0.162	55	8.2 <sup>(14)</sup>	2.0E+15	5.0 @ 100 kHz <sup>(16)</sup>	2E-02 @ 100 kHz <sup>(18)</sup>	5 years @ 25°C

## Choose your thermally conductive gap filler

DOWSIL™ thermally conductive silicone gap fillers are soft, compressible solutions specifically formulated to process easily from the original packaging with minimal to no additional process preparation. They avoid slumping on vertical surfaces during assembly and maintain their vertical stability after cure, even after long use. These

highly advanced silicone formulations dissipate heat away from sensitive PCB components by efficiently conducting it to a heat sink. Able to withstand peak exposure at 200°C, these materials perform reliably at operating temperatures up to 150°C. Our gap fillers also offer effective vibration-damping.

### Thermally conductive gap fillers

	Cure type (chemistry)	Mix ratio	Key features/advantages							Appearance	Thermal conductivity, W/mK	Viscosity, Pa s: @ 10 s <sup>-1</sup> (3) @ 10rpm KK #6(4)	
			Room temperature cure	Glass bead option	Nonslump/nonflowable	Vertical holding capability	UL 94 V-0	Controlled volatility D4-D10	Long-term performance stability				
										CTM 0176/ ASTM E284	CTM 1163/ JIS R 2618- 1992 <sup>(1)</sup> CTM 1388/ ASTM D5334 <sup>(2)</sup>	CTM 1094/ ASTM D4440 <sup>(3)</sup> CTM 0050/ ASTM D1084 <sup>(4)</sup>	
	<b>DOWSIL™ TC-4535 CV Thermally Conductive Gap Filler</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Two-part 1:1	✓		✓	✓	Pending	✓	✓	Part A: White Part B: Blue Mixed: Blue	3.4 <sup>(1)</sup>	Part A: 200 <sup>(3)</sup> Part B: 230 <sup>(3)</sup> Mixed: 205 <sup>(3)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ TC-4525 Thermally Conductive Gap Filler</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Two-part 1:1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	Part A: White Part B: Blue Mixed: Blue	2.6 <sup>(1)</sup>	Part A: 207 <sup>(3)</sup> Part B: 193 <sup>(3)</sup> Mixed: 217 <sup>(3)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ TC-4525 CV Thermally Conductive Gap Filler</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Two-part 1:1	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Part A: White Part B: Blue Mixed: Blue	2.6 <sup>(1)</sup>	Part A: 223 <sup>(3)</sup> Part B: 216 <sup>(3)</sup> Mixed: 217 <sup>(3)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ SE 4448 CV</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Two-part 1:1	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	Part A: White Part B: Gray Mixed: Gray	2.2 <sup>(1)</sup>	Part A: 52.8 <sup>(4)</sup> Part B: 50.3 <sup>(4)</sup> Mixed: 51.5 <sup>(4)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ TC-4515 Thermally Conductive Gap Filler</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Two-part 1:1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	Part A: White Part B: Blue Mixed: Blue	>1.8 <sup>(2)</sup>	Part A: 215 <sup>(3)</sup> Part B: 227 <sup>(3)</sup> Mixed: 240 <sup>(3)</sup>
	<b>DOWSIL™ TC-4515 CV Thermally Conductive Gap Filler</b>	Addition by hydrosilylation	Two-part 1:1	✓		✓	✓	Pending	✓	✓	Part A: White Part B: Blue Mixed: Blue	>1.8 <sup>(1)</sup>	Part A: 155 <sup>(3)</sup> Part B: 153 <sup>(3)</sup> Mixed: 151 <sup>(3)</sup>

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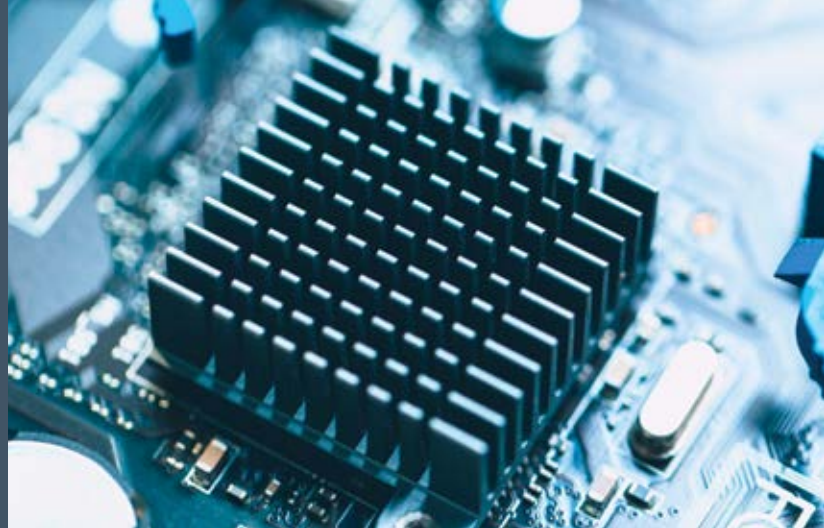
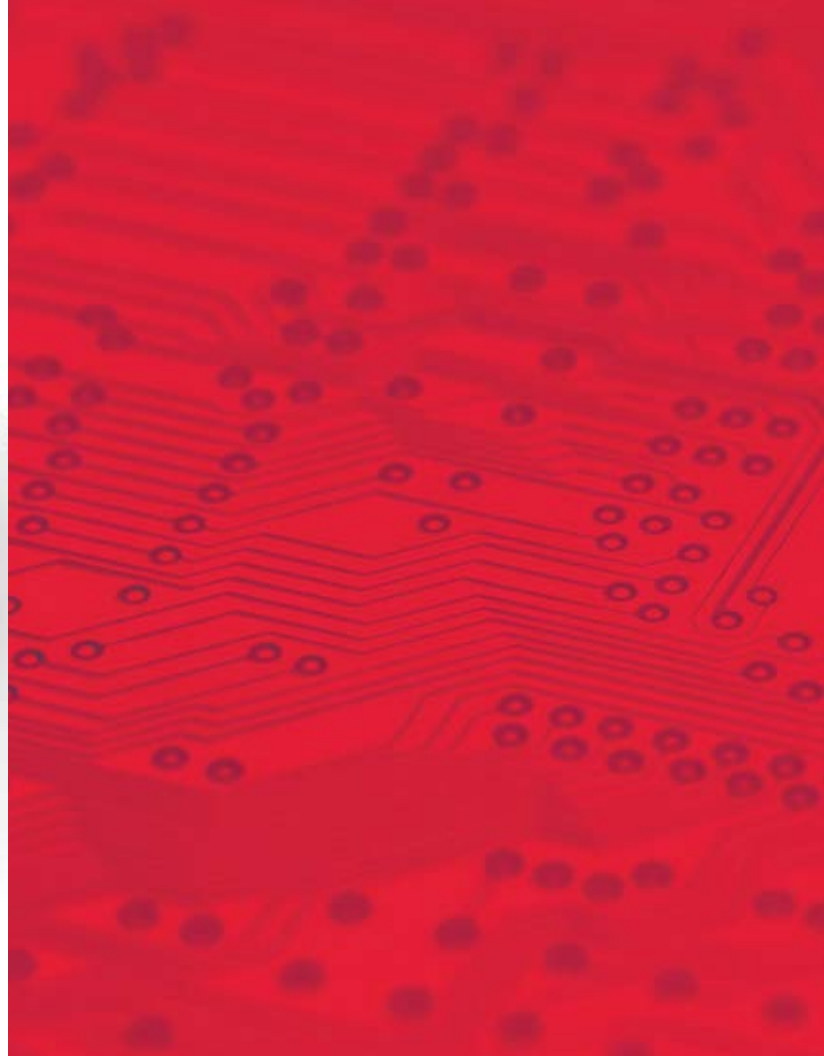
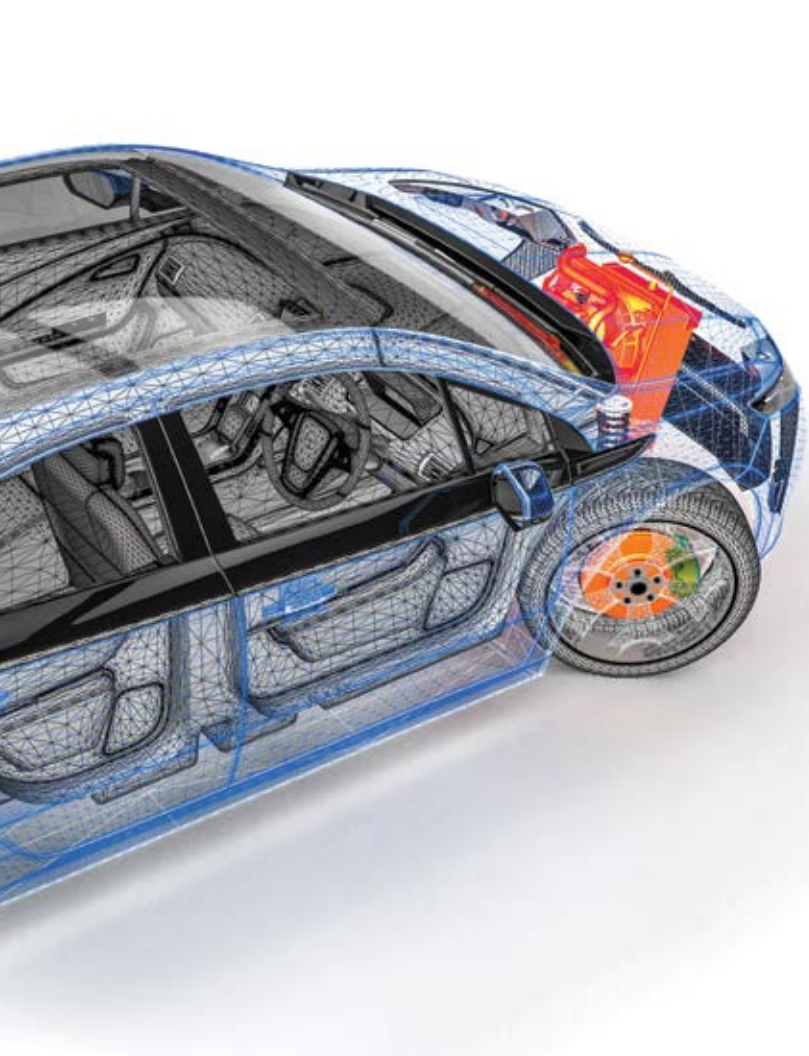
Decreasing thermal conductivity



Thixotropic index (mixed)	Room temperature cure time	Heat cure time	Density @ 25°C, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Durometer, Shore OO	Low-molecular-weight siloxane content (D4-D10), ppm	Dielectric strength, kV/mm	Volume resistivity, Ω•cm	Dielectric constant @ 1 MHz	Shelf life
CTM 1094/ ASTM D4440 <sup>(5)</sup>	CTM 0099/ ASTM D2240 <sup>(6)</sup> CTM 1098 / ASTM D4440 <sup>(7)</sup>	CTM 0099/ ASTM D2240 <sup>(6)</sup> CTM 1098 / ASTM D4440 <sup>(9)</sup>	CTM 540/ ASTM D70 <sup>(10)</sup> CTM 0097/ ASTM D1475 <sup>(11)</sup> CTM 0022/ ASTM D792 <sup>(12)</sup>	CTM 0099/ ASTM D2240	CTM 0839B	CTM 0114/ ASTM D149 <sup>(13)</sup> JIS2 K 6249 <sup>(14)</sup>	CTM 0249/ ASTM D257 <sup>(15)</sup> JIS2 K 6249 <sup>(16)</sup>	CTM 0112/ ASTM D150 <sup>(17)</sup> JIS2 K 6249 <sup>(18)</sup> CTM 1139/ ASTM D150 <sup>(19)</sup>	
3.6 <sup>(5)</sup>	120 min @ 25°C	10 min @ 80°C <sup>(9)</sup>	3.1 <sup>(12)</sup>	52	8	22 <sup>(14)</sup>	3.00 E+13 <sup>(16)</sup>	6.5 E-3 <sup>(18)</sup>	6 months @ 25°C (target 12 months)
4.3 <sup>(5)</sup>	120 min @ 25°C <sup>(7)</sup>	10 min @ 80°C <sup>(9)</sup>	2.9 <sup>(12)</sup>	55	NA	18 <sup>(13)</sup>	2.40E+14 <sup>(16)</sup>	6.6 <sup>(18)</sup>	12 months @ 25°C
4.0 <sup>(5)</sup>	120 min @ 25°C <sup>(7)</sup>	10 min @ 80°C <sup>(9)</sup>	2.9 <sup>(12)</sup>	40	15	23 <sup>(14)</sup>	2.60 E+14 <sup>(16)</sup>	6.2 <sup>(18)</sup>	12 months @ 25°C
Not measured	300 min @ 25°C <sup>(6)</sup>	30 min @ 120°C <sup>(6)</sup>	2.9 <sup>(11)</sup>	59	300	11 <sup>(14)</sup>	2.00 E+15 <sup>(15)</sup>	5.9 <sup>(19)</sup>	12 months @ 25°C
5.0 <sup>(5)</sup>	150 min @ 25°C <sup>(6)</sup>	30 min @ 80°C <sup>(8)</sup>	2.7 <sup>(10)</sup>	50	NA	16 <sup>(13)</sup>	8.13 E+14 <sup>(15)</sup>	4.27 @ 1 KHz <sup>(17)</sup>	9 months @ 25°C (target 12 months)
5.6 <sup>(5)</sup>	120 min @ 25°C <sup>(7)</sup>	10 min @ 80°C <sup>(9)</sup>	2.8 <sup>(12)</sup>	44	8	19 <sup>(14)</sup>	1.00 E+12 <sup>(16)</sup>	5.4 <sup>(18)</sup>	12 months @ 25°C

**Corporate Test Methods and equivalents**

Corporate Test Method (CTM)	CTM description	Reference/ equivalent standard method
<b>CTM 0022</b>	Specific gravity – wet/dry or Jolly balance technique: A solid sample is weighed in air and in water.	ASTM D792
<b>CTM 0050</b>	Viscosity by rotational viscometer such as a Brookfield Synchro-Lectric viscometer or a Wells-Brookfield cone/plate viscometer. Since materials measured are non-Newtonian, no correlation should be expected between results obtained using different spindles (cones) or speeds.	ASTM D1084 (spindle) ASTM D4287 (cone/plate)
<b>CTM 0095</b>	The skin-over time, a measure of cure rate, is defined as the time in minutes required for a curing material to form a nontacky surface film. This method uses polyethylene film contact to determine the nontacky characteristic.	ASTM D2377
<b>CTM 0097</b>	Specific gravity of liquid or semiliquid materials by weighing the amount of material contained in a calibrated weighing cup. Specific gravity is the ratio of the mass of a given volume of material at a given temperature to the mass of an equal volume of water at a reference temperature.	ASTM D1475
<b>CTM 0099</b>	Durometer – a measure of hardness on the Shore A or OO scale.	ASTM D2240
<b>CTM 0112 (CTM 1139)</b>	Dielectric constant and dissipation factor for solid insulating materials at frequencies to 107 hertz by the air gap method. The dielectric constant and dissipation factor of solid materials at specified frequencies to 107 hertz are determined by the direct measurement of voltage and phase across a capacitor made from the material in an appropriate test fixture. The measurement is made using a digital impedance analyzer.	ASTM D150 ASTM D618
<b>CTM 0114</b>	Dielectric strength and dielectric breakdown voltage – solid and semisolid insulating materials in transformer oil.	ASTM D149
<b>CTM 0137</b>	Determination of tensile strength, elongation, set and modulus of elastomeric materials. Samples are pulled at a constant rate to the point of rupture and the appropriate values calculated.	ASTM D412 JIS K 6301
<b>CTM 0155</b>	Penetration – gel-like materials with modified penetrometer. This method is used to determine the firmness of soft gels. A lightweight blunt-head shaft is used. The results are not correlated with either quarter- or full-scale penetration results. The results are reported in tenths of a millimeter.	JIS K 2207 ASTM D217
<b>CTM 0176</b>	Appearance – visual examination covering a wide variety of physical characteristics. The characteristics of importance are specified. Any unusual appearance is noted. Material uniformity is the major factor.	ASTM E284
<b>CTM 0243</b>	Adhesion – lap shear.	ASTM D816
<b>CTM 0249</b>	Volume resistivity, surface resistivity and insulation resistance of solid insulating materials are measured using a commercial ohmmeter equipped with circular electrodes as described in ASTM D257.	ASTM D257
<b>CTM 540</b>	Specific gravity by water displacement. It is the ratio of the material mass to an equal volume of water at 25 ±0.2°C.	ASTM D70
<b>CTM 0585</b>	Linear thermal coefficient of expansion by TMA is determined over a specified temperature range between -100 to 500°C by positioning a dilatometer probe upon the solid.	ASTM E831
<b>CTM 0663</b>	Cure in depth determined by measuring how far below the surface a curing material has hardened in a specified time.	
<b>CTM 0768</b>	Density by measuring the period of vibration for a hollow oscillator when filled with different fluids at a constant temperature. The period is measured for fluids with known density at the operating temperature. Air and water are most commonly used as reference fluids.	ASTM D4052
<b>CTM 839</b>	Gas-liquid chromatographic method used for separation, detection and quantitation of specified components where the flame ionization detector provides the most suitable means of detection, and where it is either not desirable or not possible to determine all the components present. The quantitative measurement is based on rationing the adjusted peak area of the specified component to the adjusted peak area of the added internal standard. The results are reported as weight percent.	
<b>(CTM 1094) CTM 1098</b>	Rheological properties of viscoelastic materials are characterized using a dynamic mechanical spectrometer. Several modes of operation may be selected. Typically, an oscillating strain is imposed on the sample and the resulting stress measured over the sweep range. Values for the energy stored (elastic or storage modulus, G') and the energy lost (viscous or loss modulus, G'') are obtained. Values for torque, complex viscosity, tangent delta and other attributes are measured or computed from G' and G'' results.	ASTM D4440 ASTM D4065
<b>CTM 1139 (CTM 112)</b>	The dielectric constant using air as the comparative dielectric. The dielectric constant and dissipation factor of solid materials at specified frequencies to 107 hertz are determined by the direct measurement of voltage and phase across a capacitor made from the material in an appropriate test fixture. The measurement is made using a digital impedance analyzer.	ASTM D150 ASTM D618
<b>CTM 1163</b>	Thermal conductivity of any solid form in 60 seconds. Measure the amount of heat transferred through the material from a heated wire to a thermocouple.	JIS R 2618-1992
<b>CTM 1388</b>	Thermal conductivity of solids and viscous liquids using the ThermTest-TT-TK04 instrument. The equipment uses the transient line source (needle probe method) with an accuracy of ±2% and a measuring range of 0.1-10.0 W/mK.	ASTM D5334





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