

X1-300

Flame Retardant Epoxy Prepreg

# **TECHNICAL DATA SHEET**

**X1-300** is a 130°C curing matrix for FST applications designed to deliver good performances and aesthetic features laminates whilst meeting demanding fire requirements. This resin system complies with the Standard UL94-V0³, FAR/ JAR25.853² for some specific configurations. FST third party lab certifications are available upon request.

#### **PRODUCT VARIANTS**

X1-304 HM: Light black pigmented

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X1-311: Black pigmented

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#### **SHELF LIFE**



OUT LIFE<sup>1</sup> 3 weeks @ 21 °C



STORAGE LIFE 12 months @ -18 °C

## **TYPICAL APPLICATIONS**





**AEROSPACE** 

**AUTOMOTIVE** 

# **FEATURES**

GOOD COSMETIC PROPERTIES

MEETS FAR 25.853<sup>2</sup> AND UL94-V0<sup>3</sup>

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Out life is the maximum time allowed before cure after a single frozen storage cycle in the original prepreg bag unopened stored at -18°C or below for a period not exceeding the above mentioned frozen storage life.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 1,25mm thick, 2x2 twill 630gsm, CS/FAR 25.853 (a) Appendix F, Part I, (a)(1)(ii).

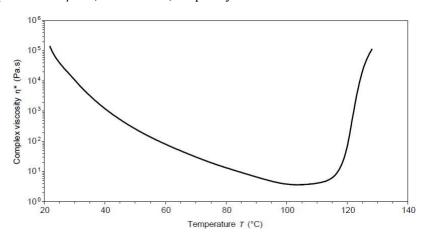
<sup>3</sup> X1-304: minimum 0.8 mm, Cure cycle: 90min at 130°C, 6bar; X1-304 HM: >4 mm, Cure cycle: 90min at 130°C, 6bar; For more information check the relative table in the next pages.



# **MATRIX PROPERTIES**

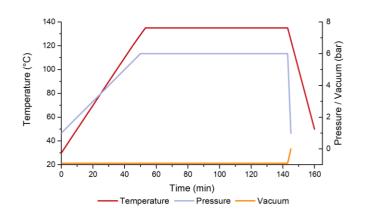
Matrix density @ RT: (average value) 1.20 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.

**Resin viscosity**: ramp rate = 2 °C/min, strain % 0.1, frequency 1.0 Hz



# **CURING CONDITIONS**

Rec	ommended A	Autoclave Cu	re <sup>4,5</sup>
Time (min)	Temp. (°C)	Time (min)	Pressure (bar) <sup>6</sup>
0	30	0	1
30	90	10	2
45	120	30	4
53	135	50	6
143	135	143	6
160	50	145	1



# ALTERNATIVE CURING CYCLE AND Tg

Cure cycle	Tg (DMA) Onset (°C)	Tg (DMA) tanδ (°C)
60 min @ 120 °C	134	162
90 min @ 130°C	144	167

The reported DMA tests were performed on the following sample: GG630T 12K 4 plies X1-304HM  $\,$ 

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 4}$   $\,$   $\,$  Temperature must be measured by the lagging thermocouple attached to the part.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Vacuum bag pressure: 0.9 bar.

<sup>6</sup> On a sandwich production, adjust the pressure on core specifications to avoid buckling and/or distortion.



# **MECHANICAL PROPERTIES**

		<b>GG430T-40</b> 7 (T700 grade)	<b>GG630T-38</b> 7 (T700 grade)	<b>GD290T-50</b> 8 (T700 grade car-
Property	Test Method		Values*	
0° Tensile strength [MPa]	ASTM	1124	1074	703
0° Tensile modulus [GPa]	D3039	67	68	54
0° Compressive strength [MPa]	SACMA	985	641	251
0° Compressive modulus [GPa]	SRM 1R-94	65	48	34
0° Interlaminar shear strength (ILSS) [MPa]	ASTM D2344	62	63	41
0° Flexural strength [MPa]	ASTM	1054	923	388
0° Flexural modulus [GPa]	D790	57	56	38
Mode I strain energy release rate G1c [J/m²]	ASTM D5528 (MBT METHOD)	-	420 ÷ 450	-

<sup>\*</sup> Test conditions: room temperature, dry. Normalized values at 55% VF for GG fabrics, actual values for GD Fabric.

# FLAMMABILITY - UL94-V0

	V0	V1	
X1-304 HM	>3.7 mm*	<3.7 mm	
X1-304	>0.8 mm*	-	
X1-304	>0.4 mm**	-	
X1-311	>0.8 mm	-	_

<sup>\*</sup>Certificate present

<sup>\*\*</sup>Internal test

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Cure cycle: 90 min @ 135 °C, 6 bar. Ramp 2 °C/min. Resin system: X1-304 HM variant.

 $<sup>^8</sup>$   $\,$  Cure cycle: 60 min @ 120 °C, 4 bar. Ramp 2.5 °C/min. Resin system: X1-304 HM variant.



### FLAMMABILITY - FAR 25853

		X1-304 HM		
	Burnt length (mm)	After flame time (s)	Drip flame time (s)	
Average value	104.7	0.0	0.0	
Acceptance criteria <sup>9</sup>	<152	<15	<3	

\*Certificate present for: GG380T X1-304 HM 2 plies. GG205T X1-304 HM 4 plies.

#### **EXOTHERM RISK**

This matrix system can undergo severe exothermic heat up during the curing process if incorrect procedures are followed. Great care must be taken to ensure that safe heating rates, dwell temperatures and lay-up/bagging procedures are properly executed, especially when molding solid laminates with high thickness.

The risk of exotherm increases with lay-up thickness and increasing of temperature cure. It is strongly recommended that the user identifies a safe cure cycle through trials that are representative of all the relevant processing parameters. It is also important to recognize that the model or tool material and its thermal mass, combined with the insulating effect of breather/bagging materials can affect the risk of an exotherm. Please contact our technical department for further information on the exotherm behavior of these systems.

#### **CHARACTERISTIC MARK**

Possible shelf-life reduction for prepregs of higher weights (>400 gsm) might be experienced for X1-304 variant.

#### AVAILABILITY

X1-300 prepregs are available in a wide range of reinforcing fabrics, including carbon, aramid, glass and special fabrics.

#### STORAGE CONDITIONS

This prepreg should be stored as received in a cool dry place or in a refrigerator.

After removal from refrigerated storage, prepreg should be allowed to reach room temperature before opening the polyethylene bag, thus preventing condensation (a full roll in its packaging can take more than 1 day).

### PRECAUTIONS FOR USE

The usual precautions when handling uncured resins and fibrous materials should be observed, and a Safety Data Sheet is available for this product.

SIS Reference Codes: X1-300/304/311: SIS-472

<sup>9</sup> According to CS/FAR 25.853 (a) App. F, Part I, (a)(1)(i).