

DATA SHEET

Luminex 993

Magnesium Oxide

Description

A very high-purity porous magnesia ceramic of typical composition 99.45% MgO and 0.25% CaO. Other components are 0.15% SiO2, and 0.04% Fe2O3 with less than 0.05% Al2O3 and 0.001% B+Cd.

Prime Features

- Consistent electrical performance at temperatures up to 1100°C.
- Excellent electrical resistance across temperature range.
- Becomes excellent thermal conductor at elevated temperatures.
- Particle size distribution, porosity and crushability can be tailored.
- Minimal traces of boron and cadmium for low neutron capture.
- Made from 100 per cent electrofused magnesium oxide.

Typical Applications

- Special cabling for control systems in nuclear power stations where low neutron capture is of vital importance.
- Thermal processing equipment.
- Electrical control devices in industrial plant.
- Crushable bushes for electrical insulation at high temperature

Specification

Quality Assurance to ISO 9002

MTC Production Capabilities

- Wide variety of single and multi-hole precision extruded forms.
- Tolerances to customer specification.
- Prototype, batch and volume production.

Physical properties*

Bulk density (fired), Mg/m³	2.2- 2.5	(tailorable)
Porosity (open), % apparent	28- 3	(tailorable)
Compressive strength, MPa	12- 170	(tailorable)
Flexural strength (3-point) , MPa @ 20°C	7- 71	(tailorable)

Thermal expansion coefficient, 10⁻⁶@

20-1000°C	13.0
200-500°C	11.7

Maximum operating temperature, °C 2240

Volume resistivity, ohm.cm @	$\begin{array}{cccc} 600 ^{\circ}\text{C} & 3.0 \times 10^{10} \\ 700 ^{\circ}\text{C} & 1.9 \times 10^{9} \\ 800 ^{\circ}\text{C} & 2.1 \times 10^{8} \\ 900 ^{\circ}\text{C} & 3.2 \times 10^{7} \\ 1000 ^{\circ}\text{C} & 6.9 \times 10^{6} \end{array}$
	1000°C 6.8 x 10 ⁶

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