

Chemraz[®] SubFAB (SFX)

Designed Specifically for Subfab Applications

FFKM Increases Manufacturing Productivity

Chemraz[®] SubFAB (SFX), a perfluoroelastomer, is specifically designed to withstand the highly corrosive environments that are commonly seen in Subfab applications. Specifically in the exhaust areas of the Subfab including pumps, abatement systems, and piping fittings, Chemraz[®] SubFAB addresses application challenges typically found in the Subfab where temperatures and chemical exposures are high and increasing.

As device sizes continue to shrink, the processes used to make the device features are evolving. Atomic layer processing and 3D device architectures are a few things driving changes in process chemistries and temperatures, as well as longer processing times. The more aggressive nature of these new processes also leads to more aggressive effluent gases that need to be handled in the Subfab. These changes often challenge the conventional sealing materials used in the Subfab to handle these process effluents.

Chemraz[®] SubFAB is intended to upgrade systems using conventional sealing materials such as fluoroelastomers and others that can no longer handle the temperatures and/or chemical exposure found in the Subfab applications. Chemraz[®] SubFAB is intended to lower the overall cost of ownership of the Subfab by matching performance with application.

Note: Color variations and dark spots that might be observed in Chemraz[®] parts are considered cosmetic and an inherent result of the polymer curing process. They are not foreign matter and not anticipated to adversely affect the performance of the part in service. Please contact a Greene Tweed applications engineer for additional information.



Features and Benefits

- Broad chemical resistance to typical Subfab effluents, including Fluorine and Oxygen
- 300°C operating temperature capability
- Low cost of ownership, whether upgrading from FKM or looking to lower costs.
- Patent Pending, optimal high-temperature- seal design accounts for the limitations of the KF fittings that can lead to elevated stress in the seal materials and premature failures.
- Optimized physical properties for long life in static vacuum fittings.
- Color to distinguish it from typical perfluoroelastomers & fluorocarbon elastomers.

Applications

- ISO-KF vacuum fittings. Including typical sizes:
 - KF10, KF16, KF25, KF40, KF50, ISO63, ISO80, ISO100, ISO160, ISO200, and ISO250
- Interconnecting vacuum piping in the Subfab
- Rough pumps
- Gas abatement systems/scrubbers
- Subfab valves

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Chemraz[®] SubFAB (SFX) Sealing Solutions

Compound No./Material Name: Chemraz[®] SubFAB	Material Description: Grey Perfluoroelastomer	Manufacturing Method: Compression Molded
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Description	Typical	
Physical Properties (ASTM Standard)		
Color	Grey	
Specific Gravity (D792)	2.3	
Hardness, Shore A (D2240)	80	
Mechanical Properties (ASTM Standard)		
Tensile Strength @ Break ** (D1414)	1700 psi (11.7 MPa)	
Elongation ** (D1414)	190%	
Modulus @ 50% Elongation ** (D1414)	460 psi (3.2 MPa)	
Modulus @ 100% Elongation ** (D1414)	870 psi (6.0 MPa)	
Compression Set, 70 Hours @ 200°C ** (D395)	21%	
Compression Set, 70 Hours @ 300°C ** (D395)	45%	
Thermal Properties - Coefficient of Thermal Expansion		
70°F (21°C) to 212°F (100°C) (831-14)	334.6 in./in./° C x 10 ⁻⁶	
212°F (100°C) to 392°F (200°C) (831-14)	350.4 in./in./° C x 10 ⁻⁶	
392°F (200°C) to 572°F (300°C) (831-14)	397.5 in./in./° C x 10 ⁻⁶	
Vacuum Properties - Helium Permiability		
21°C (D1434-82)	9.00 x 10 ⁻¹²	$\frac{\text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{cm}}{\text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s} \cdot \text{Pa}}$
100°C (D1434-82)	1.39 x 10 ⁻¹¹	$\frac{\text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{cm}}{\text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s} \cdot \text{Pa}}$
200°C (D1434-82)	2.72 x 10 ⁻¹¹	$\frac{\text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{cm}}{\text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s} \cdot \text{Pa}}$
Organic Outgassing		
Total - 30 Minutes @ 212°F (100°C)	0.2 ppmw	
Total - 30 Minutes @ 392°F (200°C)	1.1 ppmw	
Total - 30 Minutes @ 572°F (300°C)	6.0 ppmw	

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Recommended for applications involving effluents from Etch, Deposition, Diffusion, Ashing and other processes.

Chemical Compatibility Chart: E= Excellent, G = Good, P= Poor

Chemical		Chemraz® Subfab	FKM
Ammonium Fluoride	NH ₄ F	E	G
Acetylene	C ₂ H ₂	E	E
Ammonia	NH ₃	E	P
Argon	Ar	E	E
Arsenic Chloride	AsCl	E	P
Arsenic Trichloride	AsCl ₃	E	P
Arsine	AsH ₃	E	F
Boron Tribromide	BBr ₃	E	E
Boron Trichloride	BCl ₃	E	E
Boron Trifluoride	BF ₃	G	E
Bromine	Br	G	E
Carbon Dioxide	CO ₂	E	G
Carbon Tetrachloride	CCl ₄	G	E
Carbon Tetrafluoride	CF ₄	G	E
Chlorine	Cl ₂	G	E
Chloropenta	C ₂ F ₅ Cl	G	E
Dichloro Difluoro	CCl ₂ F ₂	G	G
Dichloro Silane	SiH ₂ Cl ₂	E	G
Dimethylamine (DMA)	(CH ₃) ₂ NH	G	P
Disilane	Si ₂ H ₆	E	G
Difluoro Ethane	CH ₃ CHF ₂	G	P
Fluorine	F ₂	E	G
Fluoroform (F-23)	CHF ₃	E	P
Germanium	GeH ₄	E	G
Helium	He	E	E
Hexachloro Disilane	Si ₂ Cl ₆	E	G
Hexafluoro Ethane	C ₂ F ₆	G	G
Hydrogen	H ₂	E	E
Hydrogen Bromide	HBr	E	E

Chemical		Chemraz® Subfab	FKM
Hydrogen Chloride	HCl	G	E
Hydrogen Fluoride	HF	E	P
Hydrogen Selenide	H ₂ Se	E	F
Hydrogen Sulfide	H ₂ S	G	P
Methyl Chloride	CH ₃ Cl	E	E
Monomethylamine	CH ₅ N	G	F
Nitrogen	N ₂	E	E
Nitrogen Trifluoride	NF ₃	E	G
Nitrous Oxide	N ₂ O	E	E
Oxygen	O ₂	E	P
Ozone	O ₃	E	E
Perfluoro-propane	C ₃ F ₈	G	P
Phosphine	PH ₃	E	F
Phosphorous Trifluoride	PF ₃	E	E
Potassium Hydroxide	KOH	F	P
Silane	SiH ₄	E	G
Silicon Tetrachloride	SiCl ₄	G	G
Silicon Tetrafluoride	SiF ₄	G	P
Silicon Trifluoride	SiF ₃	G	P
Sodium Hydroxide	NaOH	F	G
Sulfur Hexafluoride	SF ₆	G	F
Tetraethylorthosilicate (TEOS)		E	E
Tetrafluoromethane (F-14)	CF ₄	E	E
Trichloroethane	C ₂ H ₃ Cl ₃	E	E
Trichlorosilane	SiHCl ₃	E	E
Trifluoromethane	CHF ₃	E	G
Trimethylamine	(CH ₃) ₃ N	G	P
Trisilane	Si ₃ H ₆	E	G
Tungsten Hexafluoride	WF ₆	E	F

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