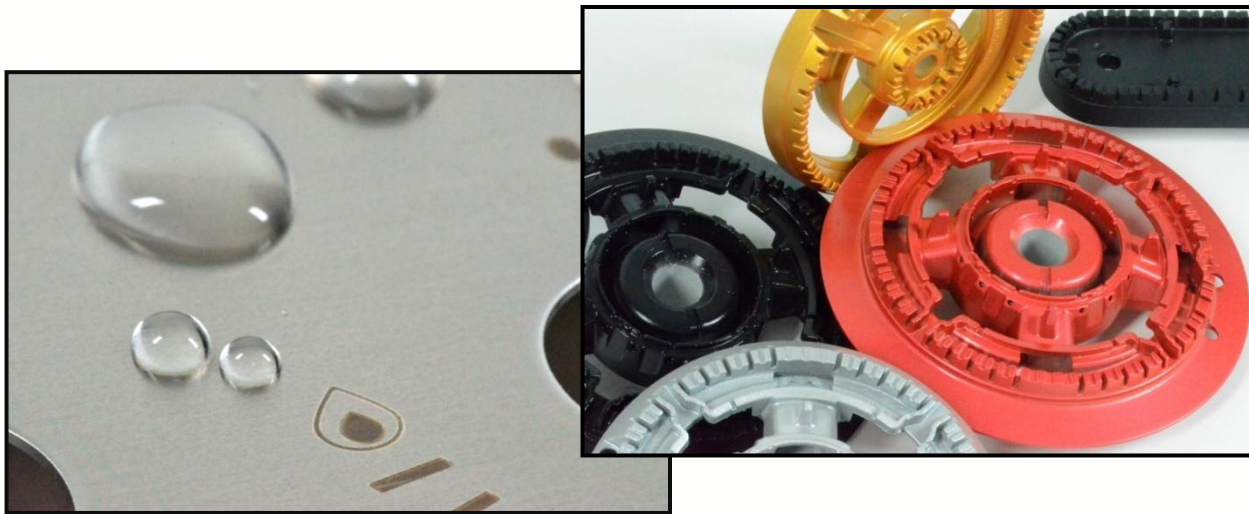


Nanostructured coatings



SOL-GEL technology ceramic based

Transparent and coloured nanostructured coatings:

Surface improvement with nanotechnology

Transparent SOL-GEL

✓ ***EasySOL***

✓ ***SOL-TEK***

✓ ***Antibacterial SOL-GEL***

Ceramic coatings

✓ ***Th.Ec. SOL 2.0***

✓ ***Th. Ec. SOL Fire***

✓ ***Th. Ec. SOL 2.0 Plus***

Transparent SOL-GEL *"EasySOL"*



Features:

- Formulation based on SOL-GEL nanotechnology.
- Thickness < 3 micron.
- **Hydrophobic** and **transparent** ceramic matrix composite film.
- Materials to be coated: steel, aluminium, glass.
- Coating methods:
 - spray**
 - dip coating**

Transparent SOL-GEL ***"EasySOL"***

A method to obtain an hydrophobic surface

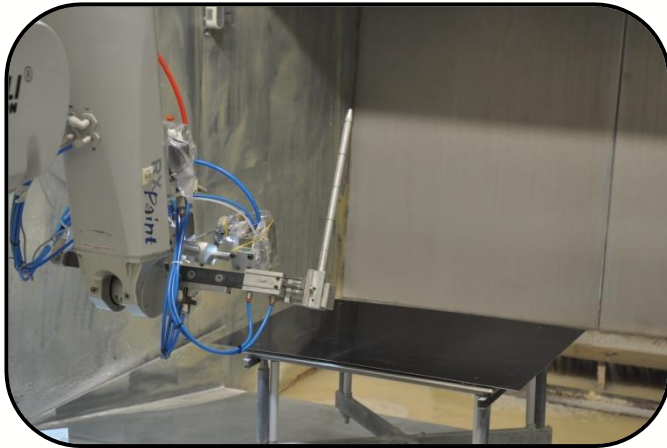
Ferritic stainless steel sample
uncoated

Ferritic stainless steel sample
coated with EasySOL



**Easy
to clean**

*Transparent **SOL-GEL*** ***"SOL-TEK"***



Features:

- Nanostructured coating.
- Film made of inorganic oxides, 1-2 micron thickness
- Materials to be coated: steel, aluminium, glass
- Application methods:

spray

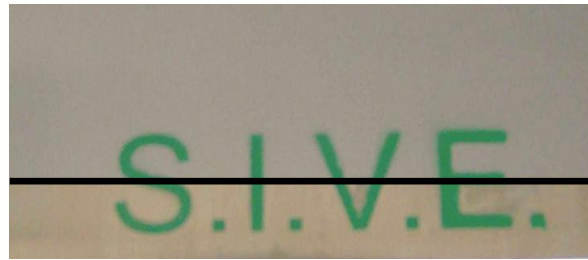
dip coating

spin coating



Transparent *SOL-GEL* **" *SOL-TEK* "**

A method to obtain a hydrophilic surface:



Easy to clean

Thermal resistance:

Uncoated Steel

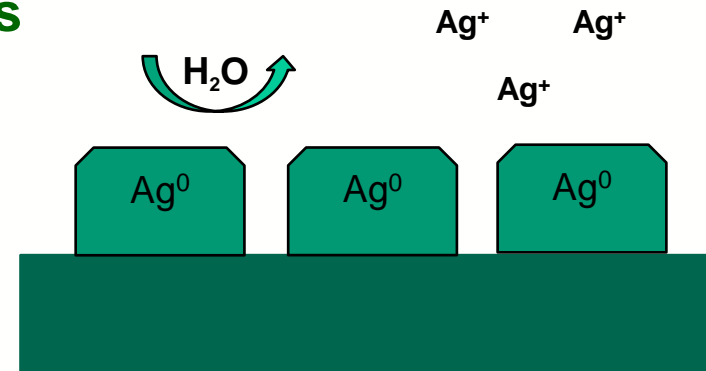
Coated Steel



Transparent **SOL-GEL** "Antibacterial **SOL-GEL**"

Features

The antibacterial behaviour is due to release of silver ions by the coated support. Silver ions damage the cell with metabolic processes of bacteria.



| SAMPLE | INOCULUM | RECOVERY AFTER 24 HOURS | R% | Rlog |
|---|------------------|-------------------------|------|------|
| REFERENCE (Untreated stainless steel) | 37×10^5 | 62.3×10^6 | | |
| Stainless steel with Antibacterial SOL-Gel coating (TEST 1) | 37×10^5 | 64.7×10^4 | 98.9 | 1.9 |
| Stainless steel with Antibacterial SOL-Gel coating (TEST 2) | 37×10^5 | 89.6×10^4 | 98.6 | 1.8 |

The data reported show that the killing of the bacterial load is greater than 98%.

Transparent SOL-GEL **Performances**

| PROPERTIES | EasySOL | SOL-TEK |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Thermal resistance | 1h@400°C | 1h@400°C – no colour variation |
| Wettability | Low | High |
| Solvent resistance | 24h ethanol, aromated not clorinated, heptane | 24h ethanol, aromated not clorinated, heptane |
| Salt spray chamber | ND | > 500h |
| Food compliance | compliant | compliant |
| Chemical resistance | 24h in nitric acid 10% | 24h in nitric acid 10% |

Transparent SOL-GEL Applications

Home appliances

Domotics

Urban and railway furniture

Tap and fittings

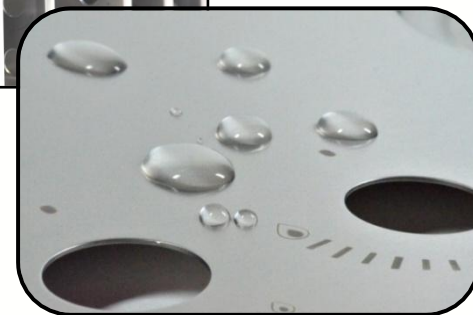
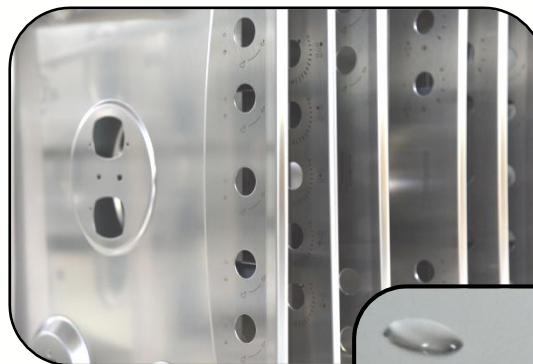
Nautical accessories

Optics (lenses and frames)

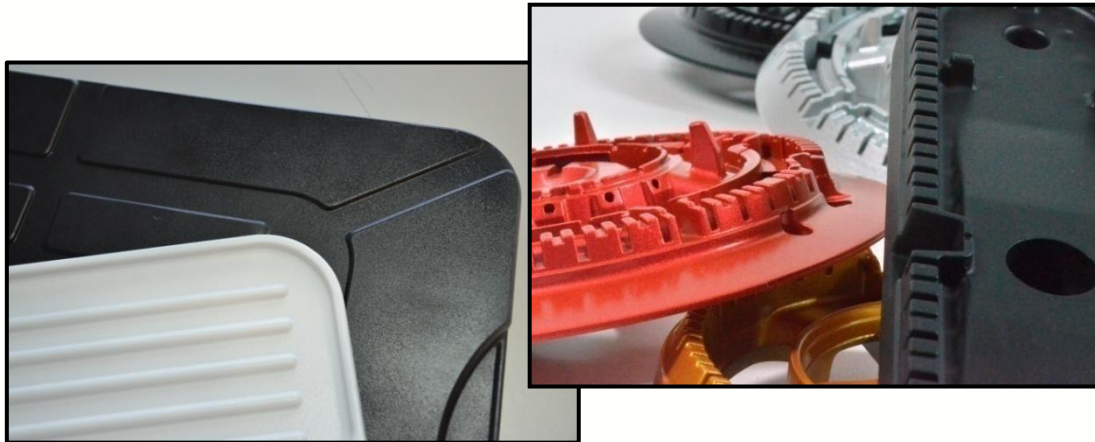
Automotive

Constructions and joinery

Electronics



Ceramic coatings



" Th.Ec.SOL 2.0 "

" Th.Ec.SOL 2.0 Plus "

" Th.Ec.SOL Fire "

Nanostructured coatings **PTFE free**

Ceramic coatings **3 solutions provided**

- ***"Th.Ec.SOL 2.0"***: non-stick coating at competitive costs. Applications on fryers, grills, thermoblock, industrial molds...
- ***"Th.Ec.SOL Fire"***: recommended on surfaces where it is necessary to have maximum resistance to heat and flame (burners, accessories for pyrolytic ovens...)
- ***"Th.Ec.SOL 2.0 Plus"***: non-stick coating with high aesthetic requirements (design, professional pans...)

Ceramic coatings **Features**

It is a ceramic non-stick coating.

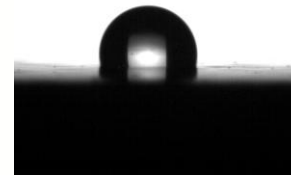
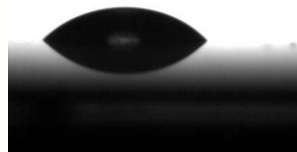
Th.Ec. **SOL 2.0**
Th.Ec. **SOL Fire**



Th.Ec. **SOL 2.0 Plus**

Laboratory tests show a contact angle similar to that of PTFE based coat.

Uncoated Aluminium:
low contact angle.



Aluminium + Th.Ec.SOL:
high contact angle.

Ceramic coatings **Technology**

- **PTFE free**: food is cooking on coating free from fluorinated substances.
- **Hardness**: withstands scratches and abrasions, resistant to high temperature.
- **Excellent non-stick properties**: allow easy removal of cooking residues, even if burned.
- **Chemically inert**: it does not alter in contact with food and household cleaners
- **Thermal conductivity**: better heat transfer than traditional PTFE coatings
- **Nanostructured**: SOL-GEL technology allows maximum flexibility in the formulation and stabilization at low temperatures (200/250° C).

Ceramic coatings

Performances

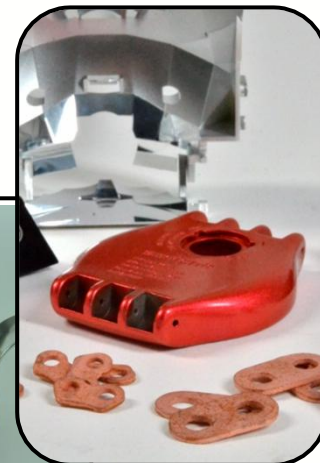
| PROPERTIES | Th.Ec.SOL 2.0 | Th.Ec.SOL Fire | Th.Ec.SOL 2.0 Plus |
|--|---------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Hardness | + | ++ | + |
| Thermal resistance | + | ++ | + |
| Antistick | ++ | + | +++ |
| Chemical resistance (24h Ac.Acetic 98%) | + | + | + |
| Solvent resistance | + | + | + |

Ceramic coatings

Applications

- ***Materials coated:***
 - **metals:** aluminium alloys die castings, rolled steel or aluminium, copper, brass;
 - **plastics:** PA66, PEEK, PAA and other technical plastics;
 - **others:** glass, carbon fiber.
- ***Ecology:*** being made up principally of silica, Th.Ec.SOL is ecocompatible.
- ***Colours:*** pastel, metal effect, metalized, semigloss or matt, on demand.

Ceramic coatings **Applications**



Surface preparation

Proper surface preparation is the basis for a good coating.

Chemical pickling of aluminium alloys allows to increase the surface area.

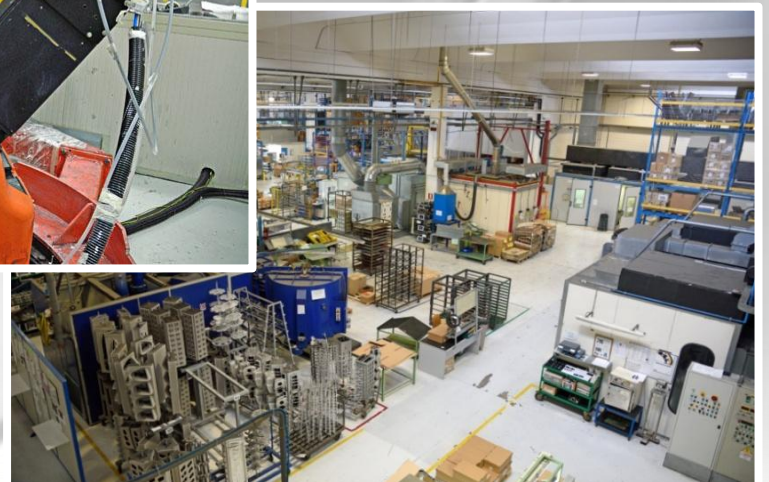
Passivation of stainless steel restores the inoxidability of the alloy.

Features

- **Ecological** passivation in baths nitric acid free
- Degreasing baths **containing up to 75 % of water.**
- Availability to treat **complex parts.**



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