## SilcoGuard

A high purity coating developed to minimize outgassing and enhance ultra-high-vacuum productivity.



## Overview

SilcoGuard® (US Patent 7,070,833) is a multi-layered barrier of amorphous silicon designed specifically for low outgassing characteristics. The coating repels moisture while not interfering with knife-edge or seal integrity due to its thin (submicron) profile. System contamination is quickly removed with SilcoGuard-treated vacuum components.

## Features & Benefits

- Reduce vacuum pump-down times by 2.5x
- Improve yields by preventing wall reactivity and ion contamination
- Eliminate burn-in or stabilization

## **Specifications**

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| Substrate compatibility*:            | SS alloys, ceramics, glass, titanium, most exotic metals, TIG/MIG welds, vacuum-nickel brazed areas |
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| Allowable temp. range:               | -210°C to +1400°C   |
| Typical thickness:                   | 180-600 nm  |
| Allowable pH exposure:               | 0-8   |
| Lubricity (coefficient of friction): | 0.7   |
| Hydrophobicity (contact angle):      | 80°   |
| Wear resistance:                     | 14.00 (304 stainless steel: 13.81)  |