

Components for

Solid Oxide Fuel Cell development

Crofer 22H & Nickel M_Grid™

Crofer 22H M_GridTM is used to increase the cathode current collection in *planar or tubular* stack. A protective layer of $MnCo_2O_4$ or $CuMn_2O_4$ is applied in order to decrease the chromium evaporation and improve the electrical contact. With the latter, contact resistance less than 10 (mOhm*cm²) are obtained. Crofer 22H M_GridTM can also be used as **air diffuser** welded on a Crofer plate.



Contact resistance at 822 (°C), lower than 10 (mOhm*cm²), is obtained with Crofer 22H and $CuMn_2O_4$ spinel as protective layer.



Crofer 22H M_GridTM coated with 5-10 μ m of CuMn₂O₄ for interconnect improvement.



M_Grid[™] for tubular systems. The micro grid is generally waved for stacking bank of tubes.

^{! New} Nickel M_Grid[™] is used both in *planar or tubular* stack system to collect the current and also as **gas** diffuser. In this latter case, a calendered Nickel M_Grid[™] is welded on a coarser micro grid to ensure fuel diffusion.



Left: Three layers of M_Grid are welded on the Crofer plate. Two for gas diffusion (0.3 mm/layer) and a smooth one (calendered at 0.2 mm) for current collection

<u>*Right*</u>: Collection spiral made with Nickel M_Grid for the inside of a tubular system



Cell-ConnexTM for stack prototyping

Cell-Connex[™] has been engineered for low pressure drop and optimal electrical contact



The pattern structure of the Cell-Connex™ is very fine (<1 mm between each pin). It thus provides optimal current collection



Crofer 22 APU Cell-ConnexTM contact resistance measured at 822 (°C) for a hundred of hours. With the Cu Mn_2O_4 spinel protective layer, the contact resistance is lower than 10 (mOhm*cm²)

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