



# **Binder Jet Line Cobalt Chromium**

Parameters and Processes for Colibrium Additive Binder Jet Line



#### Cobalt Chromium (2.4778)

Parts are fabricated from cobalt chromium alloys when excellent resistance to high temperatures, corrosion, and wear are critical. It is an appropriate selection where nickel-free components are required, such as in orthopedic and dental applications due to the hardness and biocompatibility necessary for long-term performance.

In aerospace and automotive, their ability to endure high temperatures and mechanical stress for long durations make them particularly suitable for turbine and wearresistant machinery. The combination of toughness, durability, and chemical stability make cobalt chromium alloys attractive to a variety of industries.

#### Cobalt Chromium (2.4778) Binder Jet

Through mechanical testing and bulk material characterization, this parameter and the applied post-processing cycle demonstrated properties that conform to ASTM F75.

Compared to other powder bed additive manufacturing processes, binder jet offers economy of scale for customers requiring both part quantity and part variation with favorable cost: a build box 0.5 meters per side can be fully printed in approximately 18 hours.



# **Machine Configuration**

Colibrium Additive Binder Jet Line

Air Atmosphere

**Aqueous Binder** 

### **Parameter Information**

This build parameter utilizes a 100  $\mu$ m layer thickness and green parts are sintered for 180 minutes at 1320°C after a curing step. The sinter cycle includes a hold at 1220°C for 240 minutes to ensure a homogenous microstructure post-sinter.

### **Thermal States**

There are two separate post-processing cycles that have been investigated to date:

### 1. Solution Anneal (SOLN)

SOLN: 1220°C for 2 hours in argon or nitrogen, then rapid quench to 800°C at 50°C/min and furnace cool to 65°C.

### 2. HIP and Solution Anneal (HIP + SOLN)

HIP: 1200°C for 2 hours at 100 MPa in argon, then furnace cool at 10°C/min

SOLN: 1220°C for 2 hours in argon or nitrogen, then rapid quench to 800°C at 50°C/min and furnace cool to 65°C.

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# **Powder Chemistry**

Binder Jet CoCrMo powder conforms to ASTM F75





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### **Residual Carbon & Nominal Chemistry**

The carbon concentration after sintering cycle conforms to ASTM F75 specification requirements.

Additionally, all other constituents were measured post-sinter and observed within the ASTM F75 limits.

## **Physical Properties at Room Temperature**

### As-Sintered Surface Roughness (µm Ra)

	Н	22.5°	45°	67.5°	V
Upside	7.9	17.6	16.5	18.3	16.8
Downside	11.4	17.4	16.7	15.7	16.8



### HIP + SOLN Surface Roughness (µm Ra)

	Н	22.5°	45°	67.5°	V
Upside	7.7	16.2	15.7	18.9	16.9
Downside	10.6	17.5	16.5	16.1	16.9

	Porosity (%)		Hardness (HRC)		Archimedes Density (%)
	Н	V	Н	V	Orientation-independent
As-Sintered		0.56			98.6
SOLN		0.23	27		98.6
HIP+SOLN		0.03	29		99.2

## **Tensile Performance at Room Temperature**

	Modulus of Elasticity (GPa)		0.2% Yield Strength (MPa)		Ultimate Tensile Strength (MPa)	
	Н	V	н	V	н	V
SOLN	233	238	600	600	977	977
HIP+SOLN	239	242	611	607	1094	1082

	Elongation (%)		Area Reduction (%)	
	Н	V	н	V
SOLN	13	14	10	11
HIP+SOLN	20	20	16	16

# Rotating Beam Fatigue Performance (H and V) at Room Temperature







Vertical, As-Sintered

Vertical, SOLN



Vertical, HIP+SOLN

# **Data Sheet Nomenclature and Notation**

H: Horizontal, X or Y.V: Vertical, Z.Other angles are measured from horizontal.

Compositional testing was performed according to ASTM E1447 and E1097.

Roughness measurements were performed according to DIN EN ISO 4287 and DIN EN ISO 4288. Analysis of surface quality varies as a function of methodology and specific settings, therefore some deviations might be observed depending on the chosen technology.

Hardness was tested according to ASTM E18.

Tensile evaluations were performed per ASTM E8. All surfaces were machined prior to testing.

Rotating beam fatigue characterization was performed per ISO 1143. All surfaces were machined prior to testing.