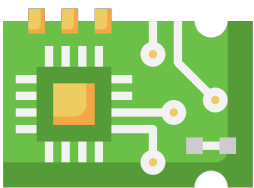


Poly-Para-Xylylene C, D, N

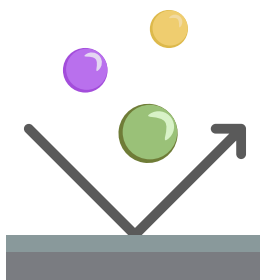
Conformal coatings are applied to printed circuit boards (PCBs) to protect them from environmental stress such as salt, corrosion, humidity, and moisture, mitigate tin whiskers, and provide a barrier to electrically insulate components. A wide variety of conformal coating types are available, each with their own strengths and weaknesses.

Commonly referred to as parylenes, poly-para-xylylenes are applied at very high temperatures with a vacuum-coating process. Therefore, they cost significantly more compared to other technologies.

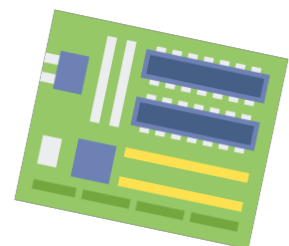
Strengths



Excellent Uniformity Regardless of Part Geometry - No Pinholes, Fillets, or Bridging



Chemical Inertness/Barrier Properties Insoluble in Organic Solvents, Acids, or Bases, with Very Low Permeability Rates



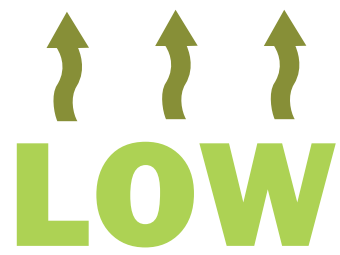
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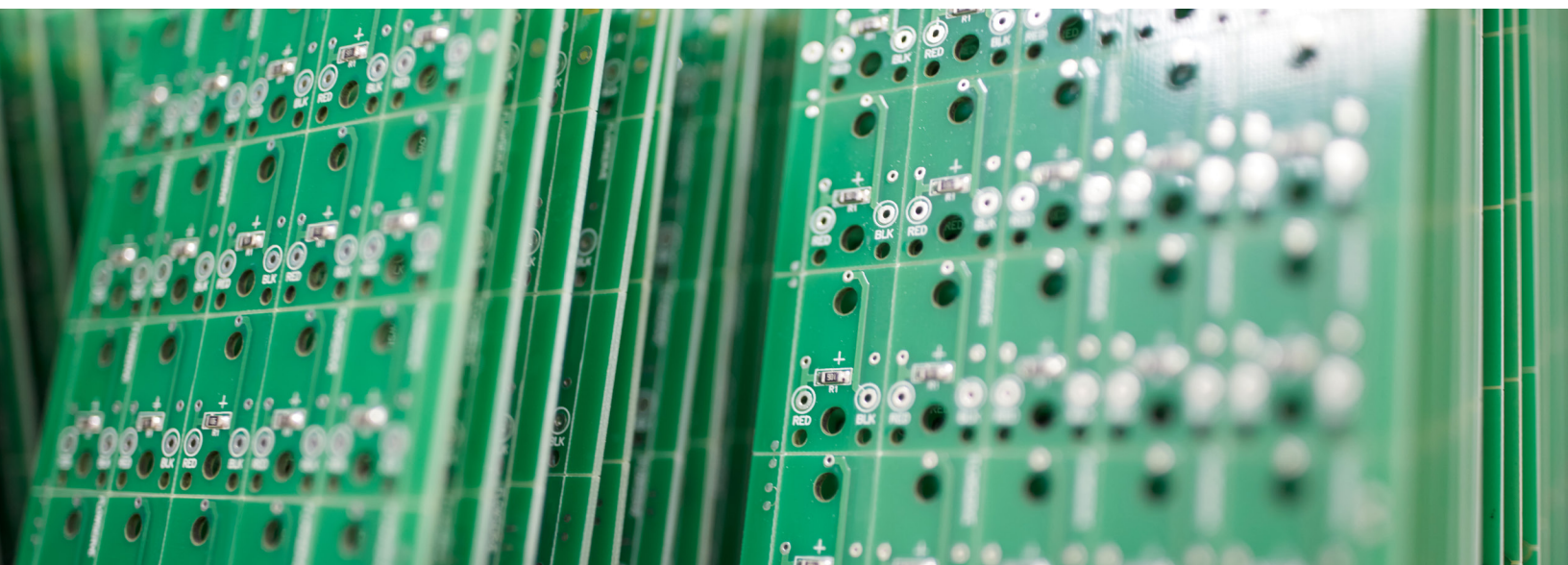
Biocompatibility Allows Use in Many Medical Applications



Low Environmental Impact Process



Low Outgassing



Weaknesses of Cure Type

Vapor Deposition Polymerization

- ▲ Parts are processed by batches in a vacuum chamber, not an in-line process
- ▲ Masking required for no-coat areas
- ▲ Coating removal and rework generally requires specific equipment, abrasion/micro-blasting most common technique
- ▲ Limited UV resistance and operating temperature limit, around 120°C [248°F] in the presence of oxygen
- ▲ Cannot be doped



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