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Specialty Fibers

CE3 Cyanate Ester PAN Based Carbon Prepregs

350° Cure Toughened Cyanate Ester

Product Summary:

CE3 is a modified cyanate ester resin that delivers composite toughness along with excellent hot/wet performance. CE3 is formulated to translate both PAN based and pitch based carbon fiber properties. Due to its low moisture absorption, coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE) and outgassing properties, it is an ideal resin system for space related hardware structures.

Features:

- Low Areal Weight Tapes
- Low Coefficient of Thermal Expansion
- Low Moisture Absorption
- Low Outgassing
- Good Tack / Handleability
- Epoxy-like Processing

Laminate Properties:

	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Typical</u>
Physical Properties		
Tg (TMA) - no post cure	°C	198
Outgassing (ASTM E-595)		
TML	%	0.15
CVCN	%	0.02
WVR	%	0.11

Mechanical Properties - normalized 60% fiber volume*

Laminate Orientation

0° Tensile Strength*
0° Tensile Modulus*
(ASTM D3039)
90° Tensile Strength
90° Tensile Modulus
(ASTM D3039)
0° Compression Strength*
0° Compression Modulus*
(ASTM D695)
90° Compression Strength
90° Compression Modulus
(ASTM D695)
Shear-Inplane Strength*
Shear-Inplane Modulus*
(ASTM D5739)
Short Beam Shear
(ASTM D2344)
Flatwise Tension
(ASTM C297)

Coefficient of Thermal Expansion

CTE (0° direction)
Fiber Volume

<u>Unit</u>	<u>TAPES</u>			
	<u>SR40</u>		<u>M55J</u>	
	<u>UNI</u>	<u>QI</u>	<u>UNI</u>	<u>QI</u>
ksi	372.0	127.5	323.9	107.1
Msi	39.2	13.5	46.3	16.7
ksi	6.4	-	5.5	-
Msi	1.0	-	0.81	-
ksi	160.9	74.3	138.2	60.2
Msi	37.1	13.5	47.6	16.6
ksi	-	-	30.1	-
Msi	-	-	0.85	-
ksi	12.1	40.6	13.3	33.9
Msi	0.7	4.9	0.75	6.0
ksi	11.1	-	10.4	-
psi	3259	3523	3470	2672
ppm/°F	-0.384	0.075/0.154/0.264	-0.561	-0.124
%	50.8	60.1/56.6/51.3	52	53.2

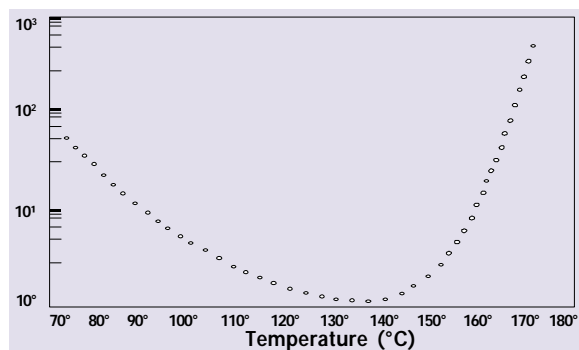
UNI = Unidirectional [0]_n

QI = Quasi-Isotropic [0/45/90/135]_{sn}

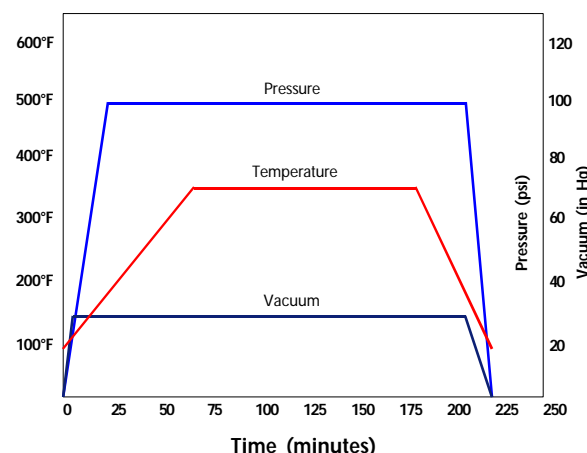
CE3 Neat Resin Properties:

Specific Gravity g/cc	1.19
Tg Dry, °C (°F)	
No Post Cure	206 (403)
With Post Cure	258 (496)
CTE, ppm/°F (-175°F - 175°F)	29
Tensile Strength, ksi	9.2
Tensile Modulus, msi	0.44
Ult Tensile Strain, %	2.4
Flexural Strength, ksi	21.9
Flexural Modulus, msi	0.73
Outgassing	
TML, %	0.31
CVCm, %	0.01

Viscosity Profile (2°C/min)



Autoclave Cure Cycle



A typical cure cycle for CE3 prepregs is as follows:

- Apply vacuum
- Apply 100 psi pressure
- Raise temperature to 350°F at a rate of 2.5°F/minute and hold for 120 minutes
- Cool at a maximum rate of 10°F/minute to 150°F or below
- Release pressure and vacuum

Optional Postcure (freestanding, oven):

- Raise temperature from ambient to 350°F at 5-10°F/minute, followed by a maximum heatup rate of 3°F/minute maximum to 450°F
- Hold at 450°F for 2 hours

Handling Precautions

COI Materials recommends that each of its customers observe industry prescribed precautions for handling prepreg materials. Personnel working with this product should wear clean impervious gloves to reduce the chance of skin contact and to eliminate contamination of the material.

Storage

COI Materials recommends that CE3 prepreg be sealed in Mil-B-131 bags and refrigerated at or below 0°F. Following removal from cold storage, prepreg should be allowed to achieve room temperature before the bag is opened, thus avoiding moisture condensation. Shelf life is 12 months at 0°F.

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