

# Precious Metal Thermocouples

## **Profile & Spike Thermocouples**

### For the semiconductor industry

BASF has long been a leading supplier of thermocouples to the semiconductor industry. We offer profile and spike thermocouples for all major furnaces including Tel, Kokusai, ASML, ASM, and others. As the precious metal experts, we help our customers to be more successful.

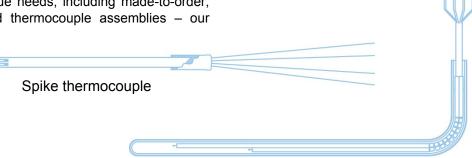
In our state-of-the-art production facilities, we take extraordinary care to ensure that every instrument is manufactured with the highest degree of quality. Instruments are tested and calibrated against exacting standards, before they leave our ISO certified factory.

BASF expertise in high temperature thermocouples derives from products we have provided to the major semiconductor manufacturers all around the world, and our vast experience with precious metals.

BASF is committed to providing innovative designs, exceptional quality, rapid deliveries and competitive pricing. Contact us today for recommendations about your unique needs, including made-to-order, custom-designed thermocouple assemblies — our specialty.

#### **Features and benefits**

- Designed to OEM specifications for all major furnaces including Tel, Kokusai, ASML, ASM, and others
- SWAP program for profile thermocouples
- Precious metal recovery services
- ISO 9001:2000 certified factory
- Calibration report traceable to NIST standards



Profile thermocouple

#### **Precious metals expertise**

Metals – particularly those in the Platinum group – are critical components of many products made by BASF such as contact thermocouples. Ensuring that those raw materials are where they need to be, when they need to be there, in the form they need to be and at the lowest possible cost is what BASF's

Precious and Base Metal Services group is all about. Given our unique understanding of market fundamentals, such as current and future supply, technology changes and market risks, we help ensure that BASF and our customers have a cost-effective, reliable supply of the raw materials they need.

A fundamental understanding of precious metal and precious metal technologies is also critical. The experience of our research and development group in precious metal and precious metal technologies is unmatched.

We have led the industry with breakthrough innovations. No one knows more about precious metals. We are the precious metal experts.

#### Thermocouple handling hints

- Minimize bending leads wire
- Unplug thermocouple holding connectors, not leads
- Insert or extract thermocouple at approximately
  2.5 cm/sec (1 in/sec)
- Avoid Sodium contamination of quartz by using gloves for any contact with the thermocouple
- Never run thermocouple wires parallel or across AC electrical lines
- Support thermocouple at mid-span whenever possible

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