

## Next-Gen Crystal Oscillators for advanced New Space Applications



## **Joint Product Portfolio**

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## **Our Companies**



- ★ AXTAL GmbH was founded in 2003 by Bernd & Brigitte Neubig as privately-owned company. Since 2023 AXTAL is an independent German subsidiary of the US-based Q-Tech Corporation.
- **AXTAL** manufactures oscillators for Classical space since 2011 including ESA EPPL listed models and started to design & manufacture New Space oscillators about 10 years ago.
- **Q-Tech** was founded in 1972 with the objective of providing state-of-the-art crystal oscillators and frequency control solutions for demanding applications. Q-Tech is also privately owned since its foundation.
- X **Q-Tech's** main product focus is on high-reliability crystal oscillators for Military, Aerospace & Space and High Temperature Applications.
- **AXTAL & Q-Tech** combined have more than 60 years of experience in the design and manufacturing of oscillators for Space Applications.
- X AXTAL & Q-Tech have built an extensive New Space portfolio over the last years covering all types of crystal oscillators & technologies.







1.5 MHz ~ 400 MHz (higher frequencies under development)
From small 2.5x3.2 mm ceramic SMD to 38x38 mm with SMA
From ppm (10 <sup>-6</sup> ) down to the sub-ppb (10 <sup>-10</sup> ) range
Strong focus on low noise & ultra-low noise designs
Unique MCXO: lowest power consumption with OCXO stability
Verified Radiation Hardness – MTBF for 15+ years missions





## **Reliability & Missions**



- **Radiation (TID):** All our New Space oscillator series have been low dose tested up to at least 50 krad (Si) with excellent results and no detected failures.
- **Radiation (SEE):** Our New Space oscillators are either SEE insensitive by design or have been fully tested showing SEL immunity up to at least 75 MeV·cm<sup>2</sup>/mg.
- **Acceptance Testing:** MIL-PRF-55310 Level B, B+ and S or customer requirements.
- **Customization:** Many options for customization component and material selection, test procedures for acceptance testing from screening to qualification.
- **Quartz crystal:** High-Q Quartz, optional Swept Quartz (increased radiation hardness).
- **Missions:** Our New Space oscillators are suitable for various LEO & MEO missions. Special COTS+ designs suitable for GEO missions are available.
- **Heritage:** LEO, MEO and GEO missions including small and Mega Constellations.
- **Data:** Various test, radiation and qualification reports can be provided on request.





## **Thank you!**





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## T27 vPolyTan<sup>™</sup> Hermetically Sealed Polymer Surface-Mount Chip Capacitors, Low ESR

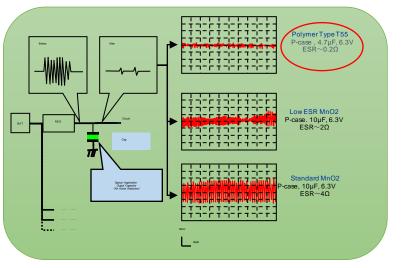
Designed to Deliver High Performance and Stability in Challenging Environments over Extended Periods of Time





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## POLYMER ADVANTAGES



DERATING & Size  $\begin{array}{c}
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50V \\
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50V \\$  Tantalum Polymer cathode used more and more in power conversion filtering and backup application and ease design work for

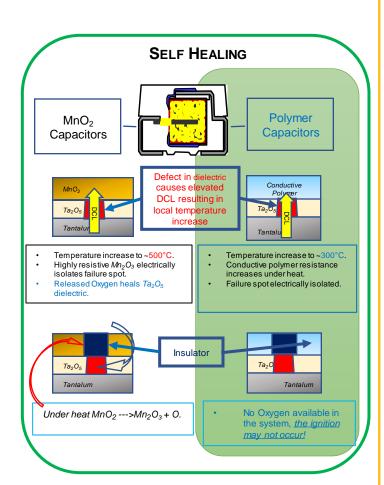
Power conversion / energy storage (backup) /detonation /quick energy release (fast boot up) and may open the door to new electronic application in Space applications with thanks to

Iower ESR

- □ Safety of defect mode
- □ Smaller case size / lower weigth
- Iower derating requirements
- □ Higher working voltage (GaN usage)
- High Energy density

#### Keeping most of MnO2 advantages

- □ Self healing
- $\hfill\square$  No cap drop with
  - ✓ Time (within recommanded parameters)
  - ✓ DC BIAS
  - ✓ Temperature (< 100°C recommanded)</p>
  - ✓ Mecanical stress / Piezo effect
  - $\checkmark$  Radiation



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## POLYMER LIMITATIONS

#### Issues and limitations, encountered by designer and manufacturer are

- Thermo Oxidation of polymer (humidity) leading to cap variations, DCL increase and ESR increase
- Sensibility to temperature (not above 150°C like MnO2)
- ACC phenomena
- cap stability in time
- □ higher DCL than MnO2 (issue for power saving, serie association and detonation)

#### But for space applications, benefits are significant providing some precaution are taken

- AECQ 200 grade or similar proven design (MIL 32700, specific testing)
- □ Sufficient extra derating (usually 50% vs 20%) recommanded)
- Controlled Temperature

On a space manufacturing point of view this sensitivity to humidity and high temperature is a constaint during

- Reflow / soldering process
- □ Storage of components => require bake out
- □ Storage of board => difficult to control

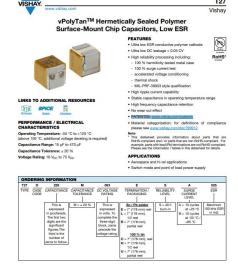
T52 HI ENERGY LOW PROFILE	T58 ULTRA COMPACT	T54 EXTENDED RANGE HI-REL COTS	T51 AECQ-200 AUTOMOTIVE GRADE
<ul> <li>Operating Temperature: - 55°C to +105°C</li> <li>Capacitance Range: 47µF to 470µF</li> <li>Capacitance Tolerance: ±10% ± 20%</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Operating Temp: -55 °C to +105 °C</li> <li>Capacitance Range: 1 µF to 330 µF</li> <li>Capacitance Tolerance: ± 20 %</li> <li>Voltage Rating: 6.3 VDC to 35 VDC</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Operating Temp: - 55°C to +125°C</li> <li>Cap: 30µF to 2800µF</li> <li>Tol: ±10% &amp; ± 20%</li> <li>Voltage: 16 VDC to 75 VDC</li> <li>EE Case (7.3 x 4.3 x 4.3mm L and EL-</li> </ul>	AUTOMOTIVE GRADE
<ul> <li>Voltage Range: 10 VDC to 35 VDC</li> <li>Case size:</li> <li>E5 - 7343 - 1.5 (single anode),</li> <li>M1 - 7360 - 2.0 (double anode)</li> <li>M9 7360 - 1.9</li> <li>B2 - 3528- 1.2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>L-shaped face-down termination</li> <li>100 % surge current,</li> <li>Case Size</li> <li>MM 1608-09</li> <li>W9 2012-09</li> <li>W0 2012-10</li> <li>A0 3216-10</li> </ul>	Shape termination. Shape termination. T54 Reliability: 100 % surge current Accelerated voltage conditioning Thermal shock Statistical DC leakage screening at elevated temperature and voltage, Stack version available (2, 3, 4, 6) DLA 20021 version available	<ul> <li>RH, VR, (1,000 hours)</li> <li>EIA Case Sizes – B, D &amp; V</li> <li>Humidity 85C/85% RH VR 1000 hrs</li> <li>J Lead molded type</li> </ul>

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#### **T27 Hermetically Sealed Polymer Tantalum**







For **critical application**, (low DCL, serie or parallel association, detonation, reusable launcher, ESR stability, higher temperature use),

a better parametric stablility and predictable behaviour of component may be required during design and longer missions.

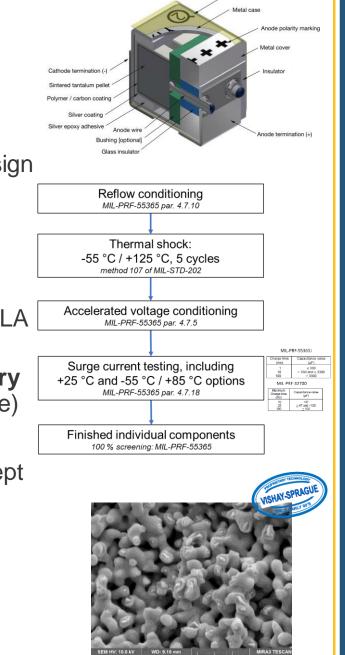
#### By using and applying

- 100 % hermiticity tested metal case (Fixed enclosed atmosphere, fixed humidity) based on DLA wet tantalum space qualified)
- Advanced anode manufacturing and proprietary process (delub, welded anode, crystal free anode)

#### appropriate derating,

all drifts due to Thermo Oxidation and ACC can be kept below acceptable levels

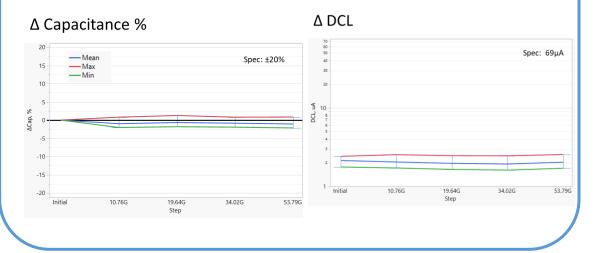
#### => High Performance and Stability in Challenging Environments over Extended Periods of Time



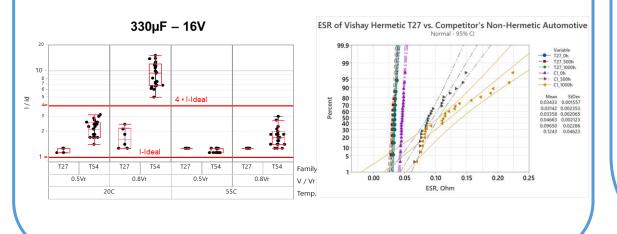
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#### **T27 STABILITY & LIFETEST**





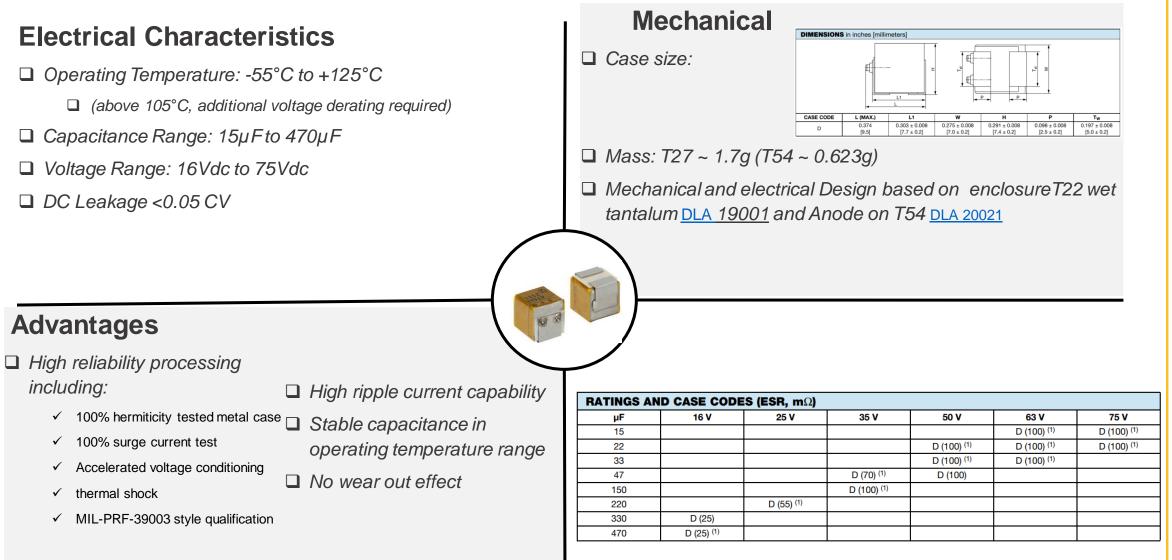
#### **Reduced effects of ACC (stable parameters)**



## Stable electrical performance over lifetime ➤ Life Test: 10,000 hours at 85°C and Rated



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## KAVX Hi Rel CAPACITORS ROADMAP

September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## ACCELERATING INNOVATION

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## CERTIFICATIONS



Qualified by European Space Agency (ESA) ESCC 3012/001 (TAJ ESCC) ESCC 3012/004 (TES Series) ESCC 3012/006 (TCS ESCC Series) ECCC 3009/034 (High Voltage X7R MLCC) ESCC 3009/041 (BME X7R MLCC) ESCC 3009 (PME X7R / NP0 MLCC ) ESCC 3001 (X7R Stacks )



Qualified by Defense Logistic Agency (DLA) MIL-PRF-55365/4 (CWR09) MIL-PRF-55365/8 (CWR 11) MIL-PRF-55365/11 (CWR19 and 29) MIL-PRF-55365/12 (CWR 15 – Ta-Microchips) DLA 07016 (TBJ) DLA 95158 (TBJ) DLA 04051 (TCD - Conductive polymer capacitors) MIL-PRF-39006 (22/25/30/31/33) Ta-WET capacitors (CLR 93 style) DLA 13017 (Ta-WET capacitors) DLA 93026 (Ta-WET capacitors)



Qualified by NASA G311P838 (MLCC)

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## **HI-REL TA PRODUCT OVERVIEW**

#### **COTS+** Aerospace

SRC8000 (LEO) SRC9000 SRW9000 (WET capacitors)

#### **European Standardization Based**

#### **ESCC ESA** qualified products

3012/001 3012/004 (Low ESR) 3012/006 (Conductive polymer)



#### **US Standardization Based**

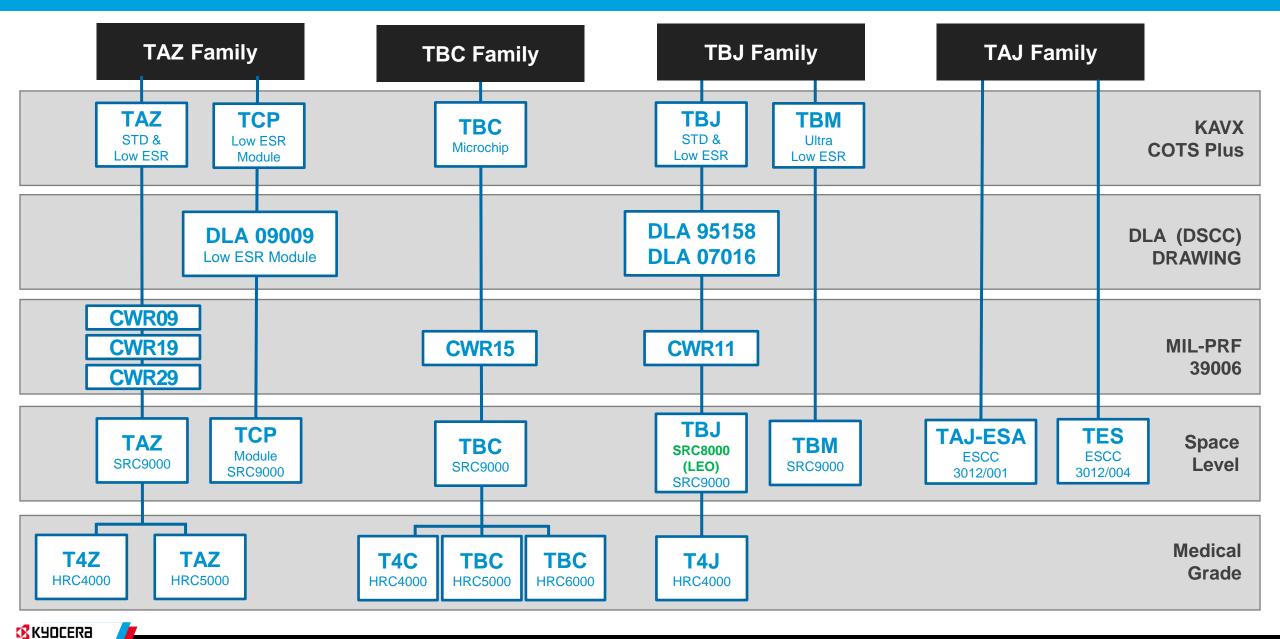
#### **MIL group family**

CWR 09 CWR 11 CWR 15 (Microchip) CWR 19 (Ext. range) CWR 29 (Low ESR)

DLA 95158 DLA 07016 (Low ESR, ext. range) DLA 04051 (Conductive polymer) DLA 93026 (Wet) DLA 13017 (Wet)

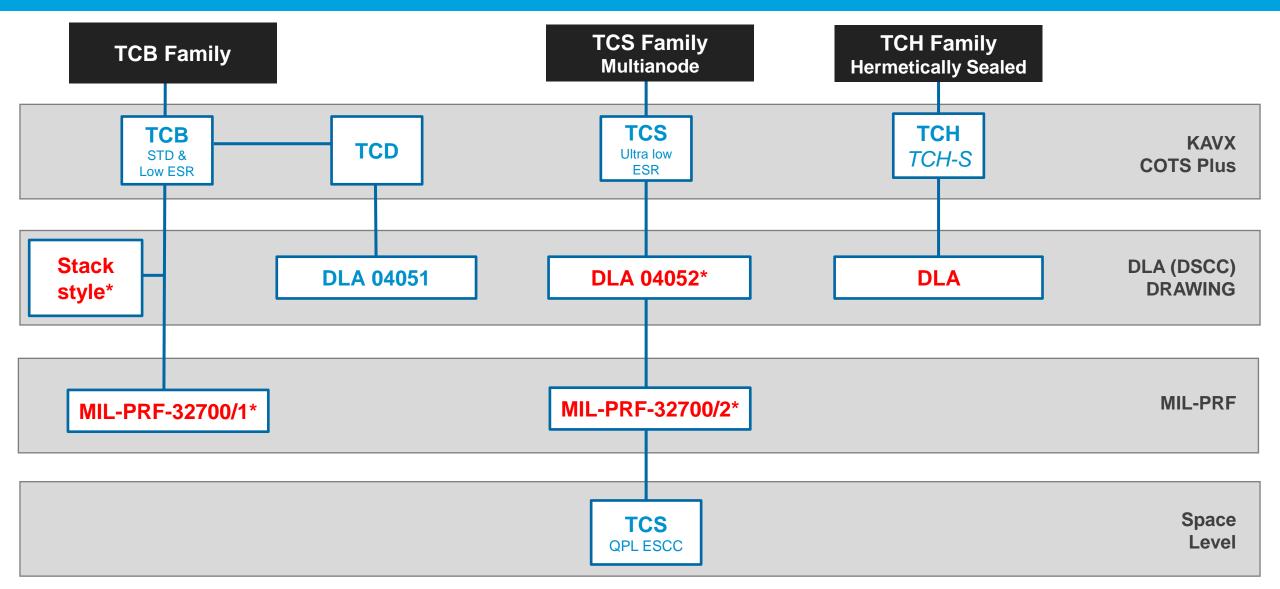


## HIGH RELIABILITY SERIES LINE | TANTALUM CAPACITORS



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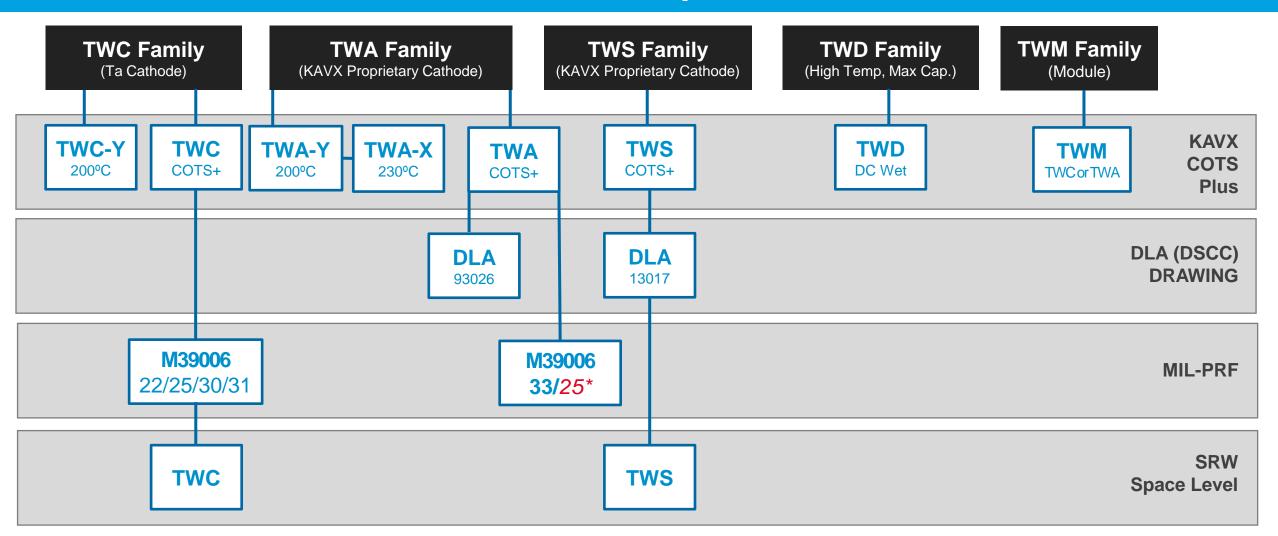
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## AXIAL LEADED SERIES LINE | WET ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITORS



#### Wet Tantalum produced in Biddeford for USA (MIL) and Lanskroun, Czech Republic

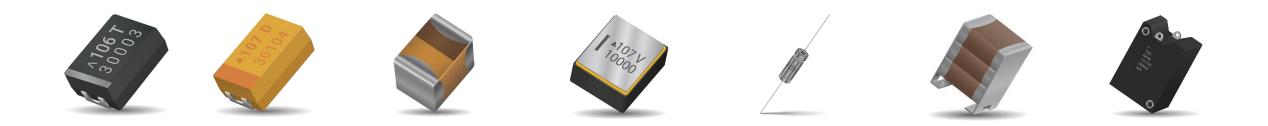
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## **PLANT VISION | LANSKROUN**

- HIGH REL PRODUCTS FOR HIGH END MARKET
- R&D FOCUS ON POLYMERS
- CV EXPANSION ON LEO APLICATIONS
- DEVELOPING NEW BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES







## **KAVX Space/Mil Ceramic Road Map**

### **Space/Mil X7R extension plan**

- Lower voltages, 10 volts , smaller case sizes higher capacitance
- Large cases (1812 and 2220), 50 to 100 volts.

#### **QPL M32535 NP0 range development**

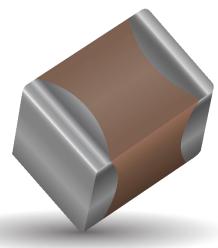
- Phase I: approved (Nov 2022)
- Phase II: expansion to 1206 1210 (Q4 CY 2024)
- Phase III: aimed at higher CV within 0402 0805 values (Q4 CY 2025)

#### **QPL Mil stack Mini BME range**

- Using core technology and knowledge from mil /space production line
- 2220 inserts in a 2 or 3 horizontal chip stack as a first step.
- Followed by 2220 inserts used in vertical stacks, min 3 to max 10 chip inserts.





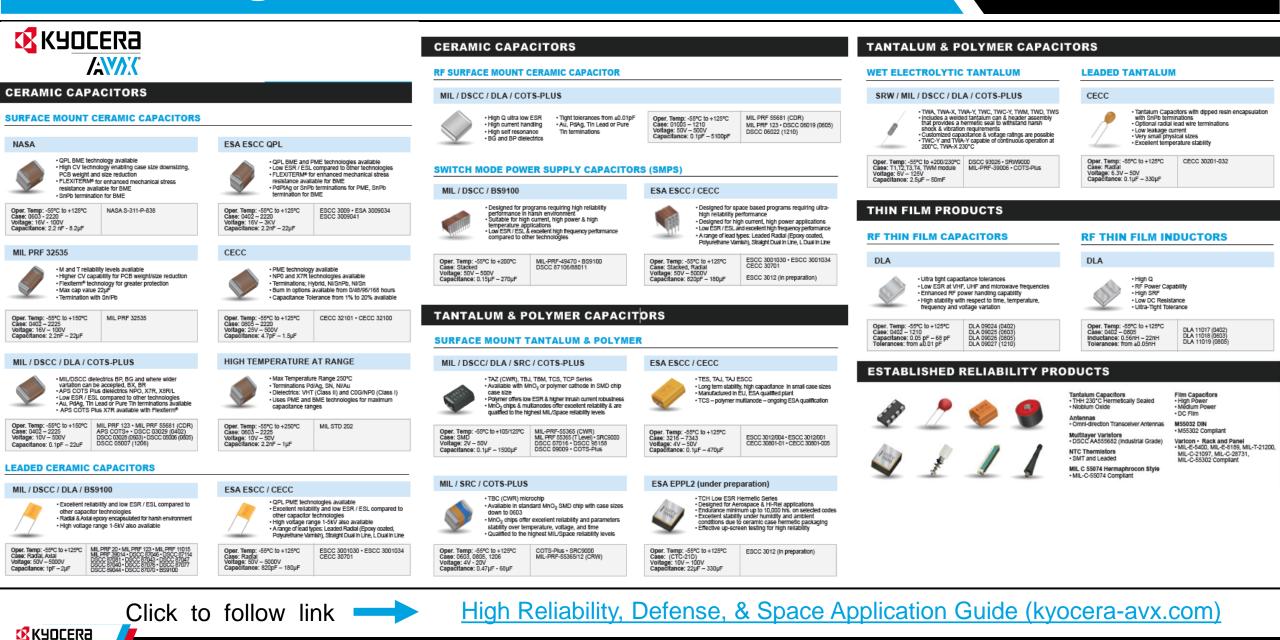


	Space Level	MBH20 Series	
	Vol	tage	
Cap u F M Tol	10/16/25	50	100
10			X2
12			X2
15			Х3
18		X2	Х3
22		X2	
27	X2	X3	
33	X2	X3	
47	X2	X3	
56	X3		
68	X3		
100			
120			
150			
180			
220			

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## **KAVX High Rel Product Guide**



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SPCD, ESA - ESTEC Noordwijk, 15-18<sup>th</sup> October 2024 New SPL Series of fixed attenuator and Thermopad® products for New Space Applications

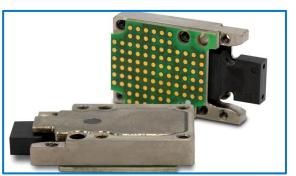
Dave Raymond – Product Line Manager BLC's Julien PICARD – Sales Manager EMEA Smiths Interconnect Proprietary Information – For Exclusive Use of the Addressed Party Only

#### A Business Unit structure focused on offering cutting-edge solutions to address customers' needs across many markets



#### Connectors

High-reliability electrical interconnect solutions from highly integrated assemblies to microminiature connectors and spring probe contacts



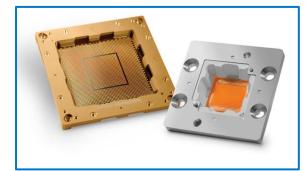
## Fibre Optics and RF Components

Broad range of RF and MW devices, transceivers and transceivers modules for demanding high reliability environments



#### **RF/MW Subsystems** Smiths Interconnect Inc.

Antenna systems, multifunction RF systems, as well as SATCOM antenna solutions for Aerospace and Defence subsystem applications



#### **Semiconductor Test**

Test socket and probe card solutions with spring probe contact technology for semiconductor test applications

#### Fibre Optics and RF Components | Quick Facts and Technology Portfolio

- Broad range of RF and MW devices, transceivers and transmitter/receiver modules in a variety of packages and footprints for demanding high reliability environments
- Targeting Aerospace, Space, Defence and Communication market segments



#### Board Level Components

- RF devices used to attenuate, level or terminate signals
- Extensive portfolio of commercial and application-specific components in a variety of packages and footprints



#### **RF Cable Assemblies**

- High performance microwave cable assemblies and coaxial components
- Application specific premium interconnects for durability and harsh environments

#### **RF Filters**

- RF/Microwave conditioning products with high selectivity using multiple topologies.
- Broad range of applications from 600 kHz to 65 GHz

**Ferrites/Waveguides** 

- Ferrite devices and waveguide products for space applications
- Product range includes isolators circulators, combiners, terminations, iso-adapters, integrated assemblies



#### **Fibre Optics**

- Rugged 10G and 25G optical transceivers qualified for harsh environments
- Mount mid-board, MPO on front panel, or as a SOSA-aligned backplane connector



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#### Fibre Optics and RF Components - Space Heritage



#### Space Heritage

Smiths Interconnect has been supplying RF Passive Components, Cables and Optical Transceivers for space flight missions for over 40 years. We have participated in over 150 military, commercial and scientific satellite programs such as the Mars Exploration Rover. **40+** Years Experience

Board level Components	RF Filters	Cable Assemblies
<ul> <li>High Reliability Fixed Attenuators</li> <li>Thermopad ® High Reliability Temperature Variable Attenuators</li> <li>High Power Chip Attenuators</li> <li>Coaxial Terminations</li> <li>Stripline Flange Terminations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>L-Band Low Pass Filters</li> <li>S-Band Ceramic Filters</li> <li>K-Band Waveguide Filters</li> <li>Ka-Band Waveguide Filters</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Semi-Rigid Cable Assemblies</li> <li>SpaceNXT<sup>™</sup> Q Cable Assemblies</li> <li>SpaceNXT<sup>™</sup> QT Cable Assemblies</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Stripline Pill terminations</li><li>High Power Flange Terminations</li></ul>	Ferrites & Waveguides	Optical Transceivers
<ul> <li>High Power Chip Resistors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>W112 Waveguides</li> <li>Waveguide Couplers and Splitters</li> <li>MW Isolators and Circulators</li> <li>SpaceNXT<sup>™</sup> MWC and KU Series</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SpaceABLE® family includes:</li> <li>4+4 Transceivers</li> <li>12-channel Transmitters &amp; Receivers</li> <li>Engineering &amp; Flight Model versions</li> <li>LAT services</li> </ul>



# SPL Series Attenuators and Thermopads® for New Space Applications

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The new SPL Series of attenuator and Thermopad<sup>®</sup> products is tested to meet the space orbit environmental criteria and is offered in a high-volume solution that leverages the Smiths Interconnect's space heritage to improve reliability and performance over a QPL or COTS product. This series is supplied with all the necessary test and qualification data to ensure flight compliance at a low cost of ownership.

- Smiths Interconnect's SPL Series of attenuator and Thermopad<sup>®</sup> products use a proven product to provide increase reliability at a lower cost point over conventional high reliability tested product in a surface mount solutions.
- This product series are 100% electrical, mechanical and visually inspected back up by annual lot qualification. This ensures a quality tested product that reduces both cost of ownership and lead time.
- The SPL series is back by decades of space heritage from our HR series products tested to MIL-PRF-55342. It offers the same base product with and alternative to longer lead time products and is ideal where reliability is needed in high volume price sensitive programs.
- This product series is offered in surface mount configurations with edge metallization for ease of inspection after installation. This adds to the reliability of the product in the assembly.

#### **SPL** -Series



- Surface mount edge wrap
- Thick and Thin film construction
- Multiple dB values and TCA shifts available
- Cost effective

#### Which are the unmet needs that our product solves?

100% testing

Annual Qualification

#### **Cost Effective**

Robust Process Technology

#### **SMT Mounting**

- This product series are 100% electrical, mechanical and visually inspected to guarantee product compliance. The data is shipped with each product order.
- Annual qualification is performed on the series to validate product reliability and performance with group A, B and C testing to MIL-PRF-55342. This test data is supplied with each product offered.
- The Series offers a single unit price with no additional associated test charges. Making this an affordable solution where reliability is necessary for cost sensitive programs.
- Use of robust proven thick and thin film process technology provides products suitable for harsh environments such as space and defense applications.
- This product is offer in SMT mount with edge metallization to make inspection after installation possible. This is also offer in tape and reel packaging for automated pick and place.





Fixed Attenuator Products						
Standard Product Series	SPL (Smiths Product List) Series		Frequency Range (GHz)	Input Power CW (Watts)	Component Size (Inches)	Component Size (mm)
TS03	SPL-TS03		DC-12.4	2.00	0.145 X 0.122	3.68 X 3.10
TS05	SPL-TS05		DC-18	0.75 TO 5 WATTS*	0.075 X 0.060	1.90 X 1.52
TS09	SPL-TS09		DC-20	0.20	0.060 X 0.075	1.52 X 1.90

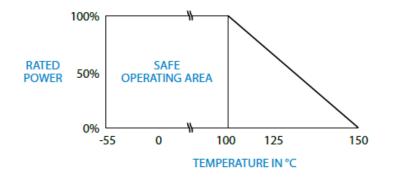
\* POWER DEPENDS ON dB VALUE CHOSEN



#### Thermopad® Products

Standard Product Series	SPL (Smiths Product List) Series	Frequency Range (GHz)	Input Power CW (Watts)	Component Size (Inches)	Component Size (mm)
TVA	SPL-TVA	DC-6	2.00	0.145 X 0.122	3.68 X 3.10
MTVA	SPL-MTVA	DC-18	0.20	0.075 X 0.060	1.90 X 1.52
WTVA	SPL-WTVA	DC-20	0.20	0.060 X 0.075	1.52 X 1.90

Environmental	Specifications
Operating Temperature	-55°C to +150°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to 150°C
Temperature Coefficient	±200 PPM/°C Max
Moisture Sensitivity Level	MSL-1 Unlimited



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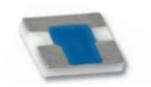
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#### SPL Series Attenuators and Thermopads Test Parameters per Test Plan TP-8965

Test	Sample Qty	Test Standard and Method	Test Condition
Pre-Cap Visual and Mechanical	100%	MIL-PRF-55342	30X to 60X Magnification
100% Inspection			
Visual / Mechanical	100%	MIL-PRF-55342	30X to 60X Magnification
Electrical (RF) Inspection	100%	MIL-PRF-55342	VSWR @1.0 GHz and Attenuation @ DC & 1.0 GHz - Limits per datasheet and dB Value

Per Smiths Interconnect TP-8965

NOTE: Grp A, B, & C similarity test data provided with each lot / date code per Smiths work instruction 824W199.





Subgroup 1 [TVA product only]

TCA (If Temp Variable Product)

Temperature Coefficient of Attenuation

-55°C to +125°C - ±0.001 dB/dB/°C allowable

#### Larger High Frequency Product Portfolio



SPL serie Testing structure can be applied to all our board level products, feel free to contact us!

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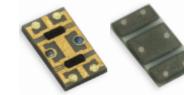
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Wirebondable Terminations (CT Series, DC-64 GHz, 0.040"x0.040")

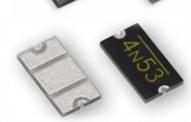


Wirebondable **Temperature Variable Attenuators** (K2TVA Series, DC-32 GHz, 0.120"x0.065")

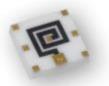


**Outrigger Resistors** (CHX Series, DC-27 GHz, as small as 0402)

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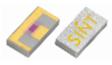
SMT **Temperature Variable Attenuators** (K2TVA Series, DC-32 GHz, 0.120"x0.065")



SMT **Spiral Terminations** (DC-40 GHz, 0.055"x0.055")



SMT **Frequency Equalizers** (CEX Series, DC-40 GHz, 0.120"x0.065")



SMT **RF** Terminations (CTH Series, DC-67 GHz, 0.060"x0.030")



**SMT Planar Filters** (DC-40 GHz. 0.200'x0.100")





**SMT Fixed Attenuators** (TSX Series, DC-40 GHz, 0.060"x0.040")

**SMT Resistive** and Wilkinson **Dividers** (DC-40 GHz, as small as 0.060"x0.050")

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