



# DURATEK\* Supermelt

High performance crucibles designed to provide longer life in aluminium fuel-fired furnace melting applications



# **DURATEK Supermelt Crucibles**



The DURATEK family of crucibles are designed to provide extended life in different crucible applications.

DURATEK Supermelt has been developed specifically to provide aluminium melting departments with the possibility to maximize melting capacity in gas or other fuel-fired furnaces and reduce furnace downtime.

The optimized chemistry of DURATEK Supermelt crucibles delivers superior critical mechanical properties - with increased fracture toughness and strength at high operating temperatures, and excellent resistance to oxidation.

Whatever the furnace melting practice, DURATEK Supermelt will provide consistent melting performance throughout the crucible lifetime.

### **KEY BENEFITS**

- + Overall longer crucible life
- + Reduced furnace downtime fewer crucible change-outs
- + Reliability eliminate unscheduled production interruptions
- + Reduced operational costs over the life of the crucible
- + Melting process consistency

### Foundry experience

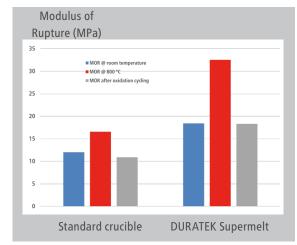
Lifetime and oxidation DURATEK Supermelt

### Experimental set-up

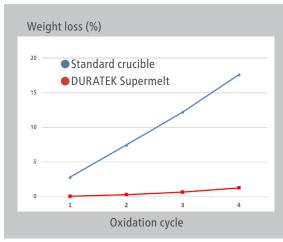
- + Aluminium melting in a gas furnace
- Melting scraps
- + Comparing the lifetime to the competition's crucible
- + Assessing the oxidation

#### Result

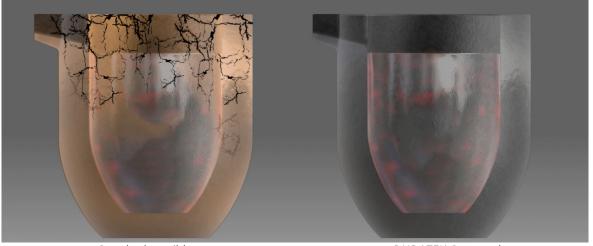
Significant improved lifetime. Almost no oxidation was visible.



Improved mechanical properties



Drastically reduced oxidation



Standard crucible

DURATEK Supermelt

## Quality control and research

### Research and development

As the quality demands from end-users of castings increases, it is essential that foundry technology keeps pace. Foseco continually invest resources in the research and development of innovative solutions to the problems of today and tomorrow. Development laboratories work closely with in-house casting facilities to ensure new product developments fully meet the customer's needs.

### Consistency

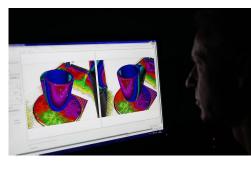
Controlled and automated manufacturing processes ensure that products are supplied to a highly consistent specification, minimising batch to batch product variations.

### Quality assurance

Accredited quality assurance systems ensure optimal testing of finished products, and provides a framework for continual improvement and further process optimisation.









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