



1 Filter with improved chemical resistance and longer service life due to an ultra-thin plasma-polymer coating.

SURFACE MODIFICATION

- | Low pressure plasma technology
- | Atmospheric pressure plasma technology
- | VUV technology

The experts of Plasma Technology and Surfaces – PLATO – at Fraunhofer Institute for Manufacturing Technology and Advanced Materials IFAM offer solutions for

- | fine-cleaning,
- | surface activation as well as
- | functional coatings.

These technologies of different surface modification allow economical treatment of either large or localized areas depending on the specific requirements.

Thus a wide range of different and combinable surface properties can be achieved, which means that these technologies are ideal for innovative product development. For example, the surface energy, which is a measure of the hydrophobic or hydrophilic character of a surface, can be varied from 5 mN/m to 80 mN/m with lasting stability of the effect.

Example applications

Adhesive bonding and paint/lacquer technology

- | Permanently hydrophilic surfaces
- | Optimization of wetting properties
- | Improvement of adhesion
- | Adhesion promotion

Plastic processing/Textile technology

- | Hydrophobic surfaces
- | Anti-fouling properties
- | Non-stick layers
- | Permanent release layers
- | Soft-feel fabrics or textiles
- | Hydrophobic or oleophobic properties with permeability to water vapor
- | Reduction of water absorption

Protection of surfaces

- | Transparent corrosion protection
- | Local corrosion protection
- | Diffusion barriers
- | Scratch protection
- | Friction reduction

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Medical applications

| Non-cytotoxic, antimicrobial effect

→ Most of the effects can generally be realized independent of the substrate material.

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2 *Permanent release layer to allow molded CFRP components to be removed from molds.*