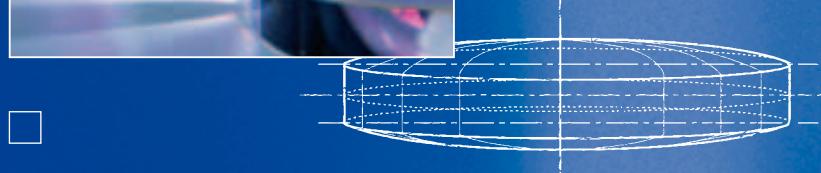


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# Synthetic Fused Silica

DUV/UV, VIS and IR applications



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# SCHOTT Lithotec Fused Silica

**Lithosil® is available in four different inner quality grades.**

**Key quality features of the different grades are:**

- inclusion / bubble free (eg. grades Q0 + Q1)
- excellent UV transmittance
- very low fluorescence
- high laser durability
- low stress birefringence
- high refractive index homogeneity: additional 3D option
- very low thermal expansion coefficient
- high temperature stability

The high laser durability of fused silica makes it the first choice material for inclusion free material according to the ISO 10110 for microlithography illumination, excimer laser optics, beam deliveries, laser fusion and a wide range of other optical applications.

The amorphous synthetic fused silica SiO<sub>2</sub> of high purity complete the application range of optical materials from DUV to IR with a very good transmission ranging from 185 nm to 2.5 µm.

Advantages in optical performance can be achieved with Lithosil® for the following applications: standard optics, excimer laser optics, litho optics, light pipes, laser fusion, optics as well as for technical usage.

Special needs or requirements on specifications can directly be addressed to our sales team and we will spare no effort to fulfil your request (surface qualities: raw, cut, ground or polished; different spectral ranges; irradiation dosage, ...).

**Lithosil®Q0** is characterized by its high three-dimensional optical homogeneity. Free of striations in any functional direction, it is recommended for high-end resolution requirements in optical elements such as prisms and lenses.

**Lithosil®Q1** exhibits high homogeneity and has no striations in the functional direction. Typical applications are optical elements such as lenses, windows and wafers.

**Lithosil®Q2** is not specified concerning homogeneity. This grade is recommended for optics in the visible spectral range or optics in the UV with less stringent demands on transmission.

**Lithosil®QT** is not specified concerning homogeneity, striae and striations. This grade is recommended for technical applications.



# Grades, Subgrades and Optical Properties of Lithosil®

## Grades:

different material grades are characterized in the functional direction by:

- very low inclusion / bubble level
- low level of refractive index variations and local inhomogeneities especially striation, striae

## Grades are:

- Lithosil®Q0
- Lithosil®Q1
- Lithosil®Q2
- Lithosil®QT

## Sub Grades:

### Excimer Grades

- high internal transmission, wide spectral UV-range (next page)
- qualified for 193 nm or 248 nm LIF (laser induced fluorescence)
- available in Lithosil®Q0 and Q1 grade

## 3D Material

- refractive index homogeneity qualified in all 3 dimensions depending on geometry
- available in Lithosil®Q0 grade
- 3D Material is available on request

## Optical Properties

A large variety of specifications is available but needs to be defined according to your individual requirements regarding dimensions, material and surface quality. Please discuss your request directly with our sales department (Request for Quotation, download on page 7).

Here you find a selection of the typical properties of our products:

Grade	Bubbles and Inclusions <sup>4)</sup>		Homogeneity Data				Stress Birefringence Standard <sup>3)</sup> [nm/cm]		
	according to ISO 10110-3	max. Diameter [mm]	local inhomogeneities		refractive index change $\Delta n^2)$ "SCHOTT homogeneity classes" [ppm = $1 \cdot 10^{-6}$ ] functional directions				
			striae and striations <sup>1)</sup> according to ISO 10110-4						
Lithosil®Q0	1/ 1*0.01	$\leq 0.08$	2/ 5 ; 5 all directions		$\leq 1$ ppm abs. $\leq 40$ ppm abs. H5 ..... H1 (to be specified)		$\leq 5$		
Lithosil®Q1	1/ 1*0.01	$\leq 0.08$	2/ 5 ; 5 functional directions				$\leq 5$		
Lithosil®Q2	1/ 1*0.01	$< 0.1$	2/ 5 ; 5 functional directions				$\leq 10$		
Lithosil®QT	not defined	$< 0.5$	not specified		on request		$\leq 10$		

SCHOTT homogeneity classes: defined within the refractive index homogeneity only

Refractive Index Homogeneity @ 633 nm								
abs. ppm	$\leq 0.5$	$\leq 1$	$\leq 1.5$	$\leq 2$	$\leq 3$	$\leq 4$	$\leq 5$	$\leq 10$
rel. ppm	-	H5	-	H4	-	H3	-	H2
	-	$+/- 0.5$	-	$+/- 1.0$	-	$+/- 2.0$	-	$+/- 5.0$
PV	SCHOTT homogeneity classes H1 ..... H5							



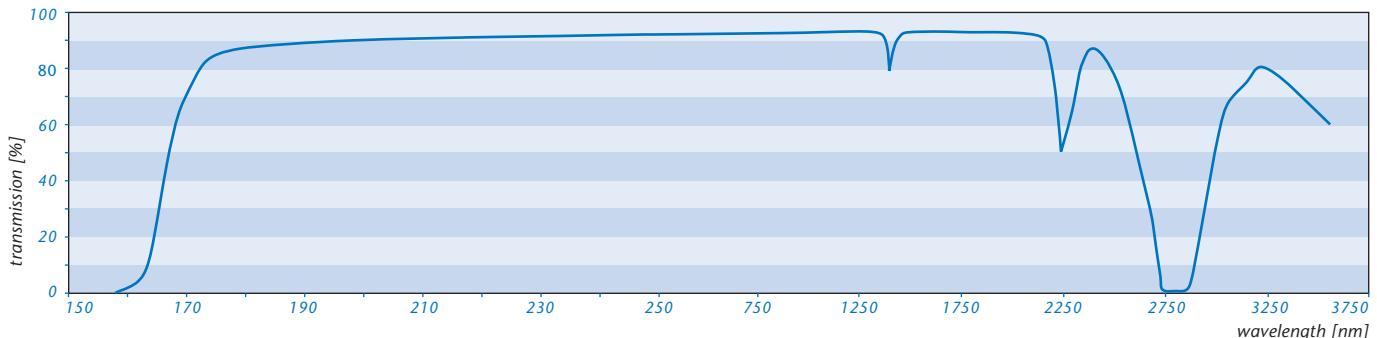
## Notes

- 1) Shadow method, polarizer and interferometer are used for striae and striation detection.
- 2) Homogeneity  $\Delta n$  is tested interferometrically (5% outer edge exclusion). Classification according to SCHOTT optical glass nomenclature.
- 3) Lower values with respect to size and processing available on request.
- 4) Bubbles and inclusions < 0.08 mm in diameter are not mentioned in ISO 10110.



# Spectral Transmission

Typical Transmission of Lithosil®Q0/Q1 including Fresnel reflection losses (10 mm path length)



Grade	Sub Grade	Internal Transmittance [%] per 10 mm sample thickness		OH Content [ppm]	Other Contaminants [ppm]
		$\lambda = 193 \text{ nm}$	$\lambda = 248 \text{ nm}$		
Q0		≥ 98.0	≥ 99.5	appr. 1200	≤ 0.05
Q1		≥ 98.0	≥ 99.5	appr. 1200	≤ 0.05
Q2		-	≥ 98.0	800 - 1400	≤ 0.6
QT		-	-	800 - 1400	≤ 0.6
Q0 <sup>1)</sup>	Q0 - E 193	≥ 99.3	≥ 99.8	appr. 1200	≤ 0.05
Q1 <sup>1)</sup>	Q1 - E 193	≥ 99.3	≥ 99.8	appr. 1200	≤ 0.05
Q0 <sup>1)</sup>	Q0 - E 248	≥ 99.0	≥ 99.8	appr. 1200	≤ 0.05
Q1 <sup>1)</sup>	Q1 - E 248	≥ 99.0	≥ 99.8	appr. 1200	≤ 0.05

All grades show an internal transmittance of 99.9 % for wavelengths > 250 nm.  
All grades show a hydrogen content of appr.  $1 \times 10^{18} \text{ Mol. / cm}^3 \text{ H}_2$ .

1) Max. LIF factor (fluorescence signal ratio at 650 nm of Lithosil®Q-E to reference) can be individually agreed and guaranteed on request.

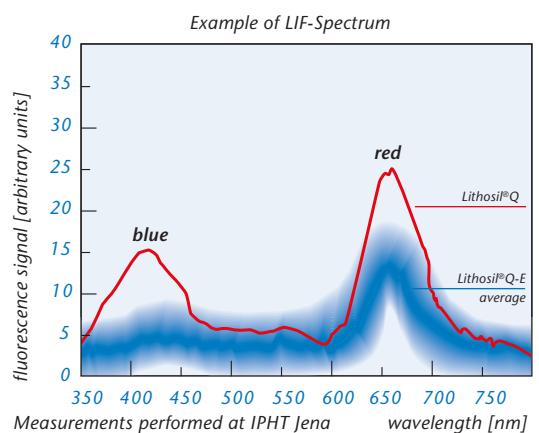
# Fluorescence

## Lithosil®Q-E Excimer Grade Fused Silica with very low Fluorescence

- Excellent transmission at 193 nm and 248 nm
- Lowest level of Laser Induced Fluorescence (LIF)
- Literature is available via internet link (see page 7)

**Red fluorescence:** sensitive criteria for absorbing NBOHC (Non Bridgeing Oxygen Hole Center). *Literature link:* 1, 2, 5, 6  
Low level of the red fluorescence is characteristic for a high hydrogen content and a very high transmission.

**Blue fluorescence:** sensitive criteria for absorbing ODC (oxygen deficiency centers). *Literature link:* 3  
**Best comparability** of every sample by routine LIF-measurement to a calibration standard.



# Model for radiation induced defect generation

Radiation induced effects for long term irradiation are very well described by a model for 248 nm and 193 nm.

## Absorption, Hydrogen consumption, Compaction, Rarefaction

- radiation induced absorption saturation
- radiation induced hydrogen consumption saturation
- preponderance of compaction or rarefaction strongly depends on energy density, pulse length and pulse number. *Literature link:* 1, 2

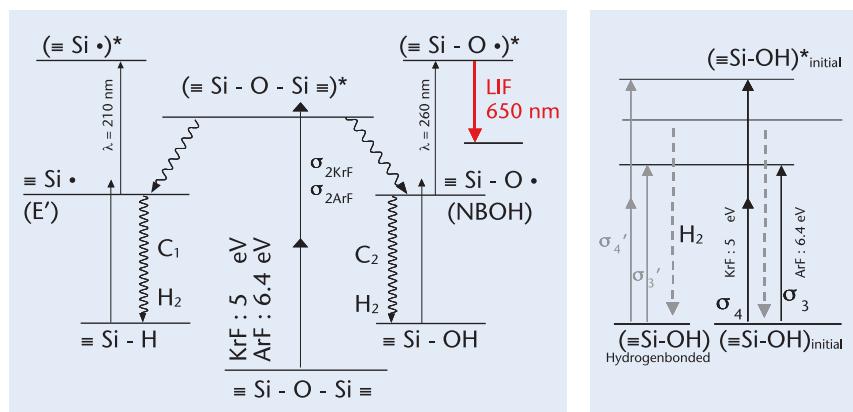
A radiation induced effect on short term basis is the rapid damage RDP which describes the dependence of transmission on to the variation of energy density, pulse number and repetition rate. *Literature link:* 4

SCHOTT Lithotec offers material with a laser durability up to highest requirements which is categorized by an internal classification method. In addition to volume characteristics, laser durability is also dependent on surface quality (with increasing laser energies) and on laser operating conditions.

**Absolute numbers can only be given for known irradiation conditions for your special application, therefore please see the literature links and contact our sales team directly.**

## Radiation induced defect generation at i-Line (365 nm):

No transmission loss was observed after the following irradiation conditions:  
500 hours, cw-irradiation with 2.8 W.



# Properties of Lithosil®

Refractive Indices n(N <sub>2</sub> ) (at 20°C; nitrogen atmosphere; 1013 hPa)		
	λ <sub>vac</sub> [nm]	n
n <sub>2325</sub>	2325.59	1.43290
n <sub>1970</sub>	1970.56	1.43849
n <sub>1530</sub>	1530	1.44424
n <sub>1060</sub>	1060	1.44965
n <sub>t</sub>	1014.25	1.45021
n <sub>s</sub>	852.35	1.45243
n <sub>r</sub>	706.71	1.45511
n <sub>C</sub>	656.45	1.45633
n <sub>C'</sub>	644.03	1.45667
n <sub>He-Ne</sub>	632.98	1.45698
n <sub>D</sub>	589.46	1.45837
n <sub>d</sub>	587.73	1.45843
n <sub>e</sub>	546.23	1.46004
n <sub>F</sub>	486.27	1.46309
n <sub>F'</sub>	480.13	1.46347
n <sub>g</sub>	435.96	1.46666
n <sub>h</sub>	404.77	1.46958
n <sub>i</sub>	365.12	1.47450
n <sub>334</sub>	334.24	1.47973
n <sub>312</sub>	312.66	1.48446
n <sub>296</sub>	296.82	1.48870
n <sub>280</sub>	280.43	1.49401
n <sub>248</sub>	248.35	1.50837
n <sub>194</sub>	194.23	1.55887
n <sub>193</sub>	193.37	1.56022
n <sub>184</sub>	184.95	1.57497

All refractive indices are interpolated from values measured under dry nitrogen; λ<sub>vac</sub> = vacuum wavelength.  
Tolerances of refractive indice: ± 2.0 · 10<sup>-5</sup>

Thermal Properties		
Strain point T <sub>10</sub> <sup>14.5</sup> [°C]	980	
Annealing point T <sub>10</sub> <sup>13.0</sup> [°C]	1080	
Softening point T <sub>10</sub> <sup>7.6</sup> [°C]	1600	
Max working temperature continuosly [°C] shortterm [°C]	930 1180	
Mean specific heat c <sub>p</sub> (20°–100°C) [J/g · K]	0.79	
Heat conductivity λ (32°C) [W/(m · K)]	1.31	
Linear thermal expansion coefficient α <sub>(25°–100°C)</sub> [10 <sup>-6</sup> /K]	0.5	
α <sub>(25°–200°C)</sub> [10 <sup>-6</sup> /K]	0.52	
α <sub>(25°–300°C)</sub> [10 <sup>-6</sup> /K]	0.55	
α <sub>(25°–600°C)</sub> [10 <sup>-6</sup> /K]	0.51	

n <sub>d</sub> = 1.45843	v <sub>d</sub> = 67.83	n <sub>F</sub> – n <sub>C</sub> = 0.00676
n <sub>e</sub> = 1.46004	v <sub>e</sub> = 67.68	n <sub>F'</sub> – n <sub>C'</sub> = 0.00680

Sellmeier Dispersion Formula (according to SCHOTT Technical Information TIE29 Literature link: 9) n <sup>2</sup> - 1 = B <sub>1</sub> λ <sup>2</sup> / (λ <sup>2</sup> - C <sub>1</sub> ) + B <sub>2</sub> λ <sup>2</sup> / (λ <sup>2</sup> - C <sub>2</sub> ) + B <sub>3</sub> λ <sup>2</sup> / (λ <sup>2</sup> - C <sub>3</sub> ) with λ in µm
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valid for 184 nm < λ < 2326 nm (20°C; 1013 hPa); n = n(N<sub>2</sub>); λ = λ<sub>vac</sub>

Constants of formula for dn <sub>abs</sub> /dT in vacuum	
D <sub>0</sub>	2.06 · 10 <sup>-5</sup>
D <sub>1</sub>	2.51 · 10 <sup>-8</sup>
D <sub>2</sub>	- 2.47 · 10 <sup>-11</sup>
E <sub>0</sub>	3.12 · 10 <sup>-7</sup>
E <sub>1</sub>	4.22 · 10 <sup>-10</sup>
λ <sub>TK</sub> [µm]	0.16

Constants of Sellmeier Dispersion Formula for λ <sub>vac</sub> and n(N <sub>2</sub> )	
B <sub>1</sub>	6.69422575 · 10 <sup>-1</sup>
B <sub>2</sub>	4.34583937 · 10 <sup>-1</sup>
B <sub>3</sub>	8.71694723 · 10 <sup>-1</sup>
C <sub>1</sub>	4.48011239 · 10 <sup>-3</sup>
C <sub>2</sub>	1.32847049 · 10 <sup>-2</sup>
C <sub>3</sub>	9.53414824 · 10 <sup>1</sup>

valid for 365 nm < λ < 1014 nm and  
for -100°C ≤ T ≤ +140°C

	Differential Temperature Coefficients of the Refractive Index					
	Δn <sub>rel</sub> /ΔT [10 <sup>-6</sup> /K]*			Δn <sub>abs</sub> /ΔT [10 <sup>-6</sup> /K]**		
λ <sub>vac</sub> [nm]	1060.0	546.23	365.12	1060.0	546.23	365.12
-40/-20 [°C]	8.9	9.4	10.2	6.9	7.3	8.1
+20/+40 [°C]	9.4	9.9	10.9	8.1	8.6	9.6
+60/+80 [°C]	9.8	10.4	11.5	8.8	9.4	10.4

\*) relative to nitrogen

\*\*) relative to vacuum

Relative Partial Dispersion	
P <sub>s,t</sub>	0.3287
P <sub>C,s</sub>	0.5770
P <sub>d,C</sub>	0.3102
P <sub>e,d</sub>	0.2388
P <sub>g,F</sub>	0.5277
P <sub>i,h</sub>	0.7283

Typical Trace Contaminants [ppm]		
Trace elements	Lithosil® Q0/Q1	Lithosil® Q2
Al	≤ 0.05	0.20
Na	≤ 0.02	0.50
Ca	≤ 0.02	0.60
K	≤ 0.01	0.20
Fe	≤ 0.005	0.10
Ti	≤ 0.01	0.05
Cu	≤ 0.005	0.05
Cr	≤ 0.005	0.01
Mn	≤ 0.005	0.01

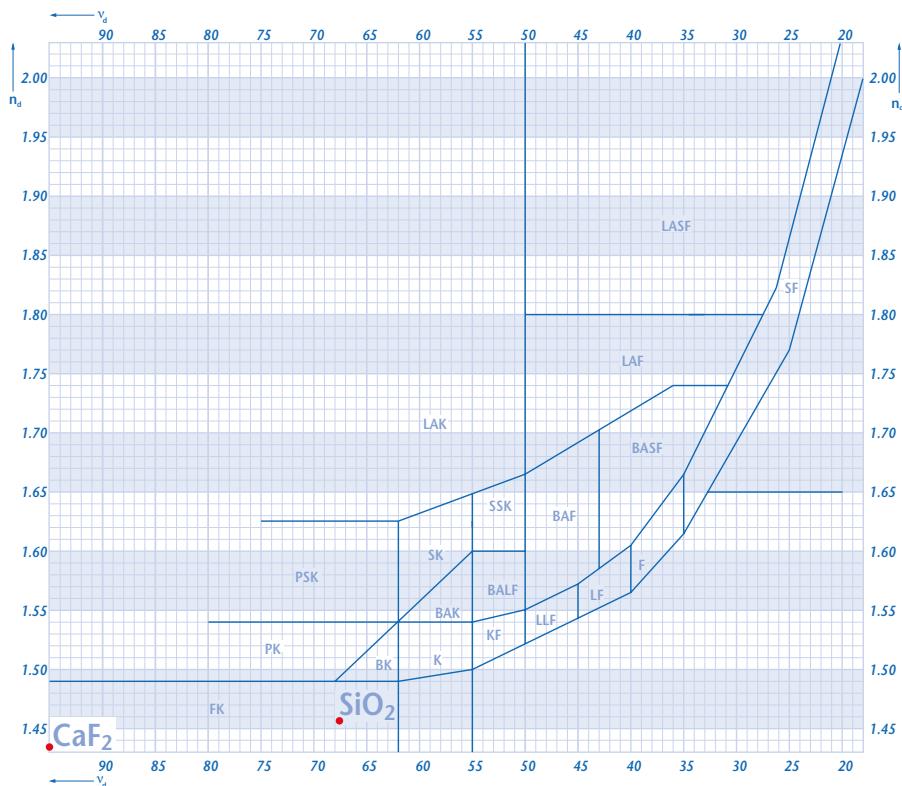
Deviation of Relative Partial Dispersions from "Normal Line"	
ΔP <sub>C,t</sub>	0.0390
ΔP <sub>C,s</sub>	0.0159
ΔP <sub>F,e</sub>	-0.0017
ΔP <sub>g,F</sub>	-0.0020
ΔP <sub>i,g</sub>	0.0054

Electrical Properties	
Dielectric constant ε <sub>r</sub>	3.8 ± 0.2
Dielectric loss angle φ (25°C/1MHz)	89.92° ± 0.03°
tan δ (δ = 90° – φ) (25°C/1MHz)	(14 ± 5) · 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Electrical resistivity (20°C) [Ω · cm]	1.15 · 10 <sup>18</sup>

Mechanical Properties	
Young's modulus (25°C) [GPa]	72
Shear modulus (25°C) [GPa]	31
Compressive strength [N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	1250
Bending strength [N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	80–100
Poisson's ratio μ	0.17
Knoop HK 0.1/20	580
Mohs	5–6
Density ρ [g/cm <sup>3</sup> ]	2.2
Stress optical coefficient [1/Pa]	3.4 · 10 <sup>-12</sup>
Longitudinal ultrasonic velocity [m/s]	5940
Transversal ultrasonic velocity [m/s]	3770
Internal damping (25°–500°C)	2.0 · 10 <sup>-5</sup>



# Abbe Diagram



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- Request for Quotation (RFQ)
- Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)
- RoHS Statement (Restriction of Hazardous Substances)
- ISO 9001 Certificate
- Optical Glass: Description of Properties
- Technical Data Sheets (ASCII, Zemax Format)
- Abbe Diagram

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