

### A Bulk, Low Energy Surface Treatment for 3-Dimensional Substrates via CVD Processing







### **Taking Control of Surfaces**

- Silicon (Si) naturally prevents unwanted chemical reactions (adsorptive or corrosive) with substrate
- Functionalization further enhances silicon's advanced properties for demanding applications
- Chemical Vapor Deposition (CVD) process provides robust and repeatable outcomes





### SilcoTek<sub>®</sub> Introduction

- Born in chromatography
- SilcoTek launched in 2009

 Focused exclusively on CVD coatings









### **Applications**

Analytical Chemistry	Oil and Gas Exploration
Refinery/Petrochemical	Semiconductor Manufacturing
Bio/Pharma	Automotive
Aerospace	Offshore
Chemical Manufacturing	Power Generation

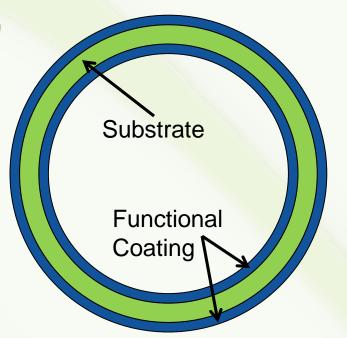




### What we do

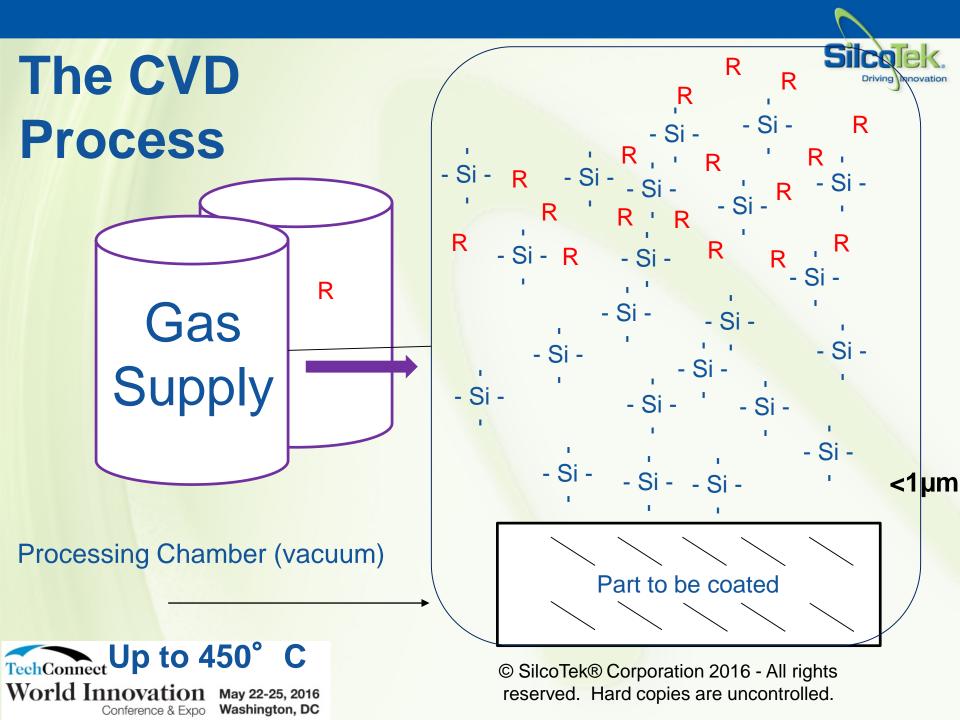
 Thermal chemical vapor deposition (CVD) "coatings"

 Amorphous silicon (a-Si)based



### Functionalization for advanced properties







### **Advantages of CVD**

 Non-line-of-sight; uniformly treats 3D, high aspect ratio part geometries

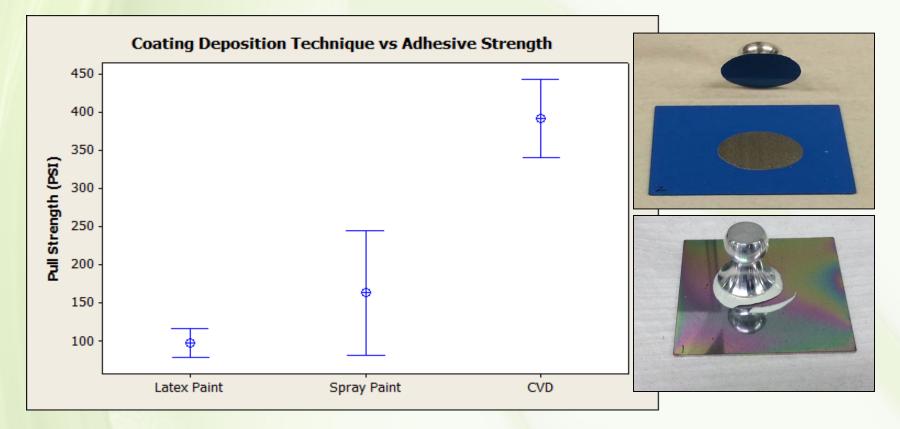
Molecular adhesion to base substrate

• Scalable, versatile, and highly reproducible





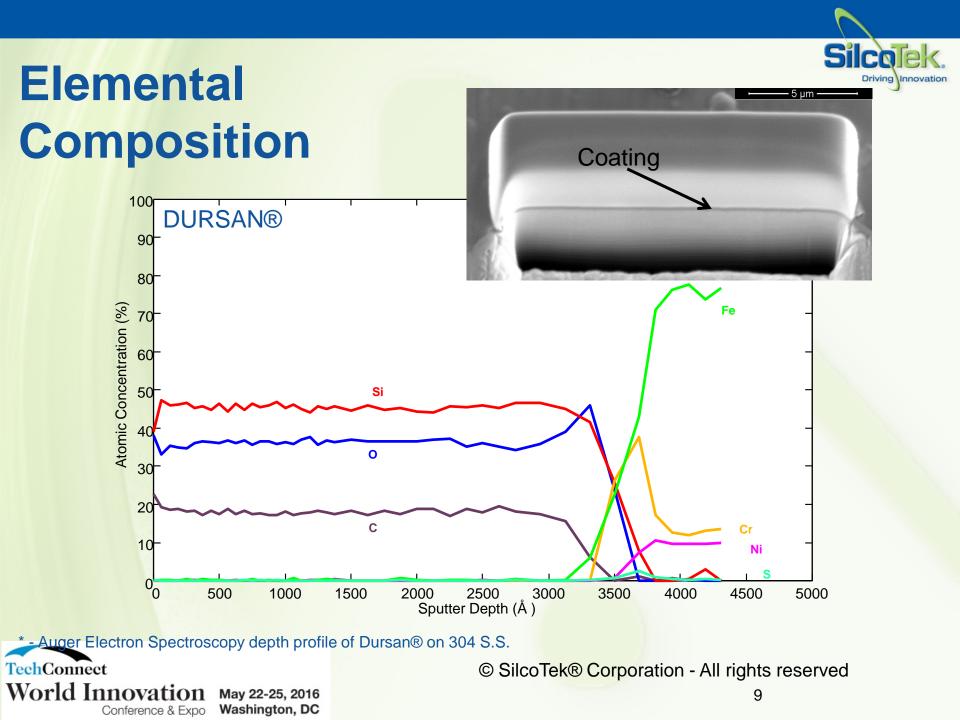
### **Coating Adhesion (Pull Strength)**



 Adhesive Strength to Dursan® Fails Before Coating Adhesion to Substrate (>200-300 PSI)



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# **Coating Properties**

### 1. Chemical inertness

 Accurately analyze trace (as low as parts-pertrillion) H2S, mercury, ammonia, etc.

### 2. Corrosion resistance

- Longer life, less maintenance, lower costs
- 3. Low energy
  - Hydrophobicity, anti-stiction, anti-coking, etc.





### **Chemical Inertness**

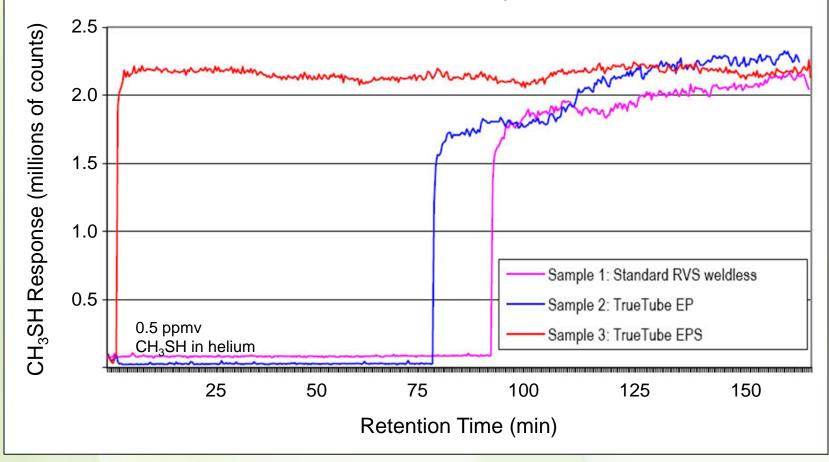
### Preventing adsorption to allow chemical detection at trace (<ppm) levels





### **Inert Barrier Stops Reactivity**

Methyl Mercaptan (CH<sub>3</sub>SH) Recovery



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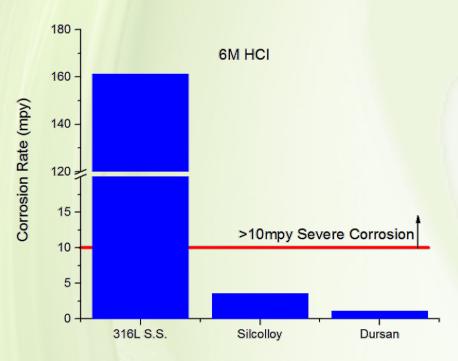
### **Corrosion Resistance**

# Increasing usable lifetime of ideal materials of construction





### **Corrosion Resistance**



ASTM G31 Guidelines
6M HCI Acid Exposure

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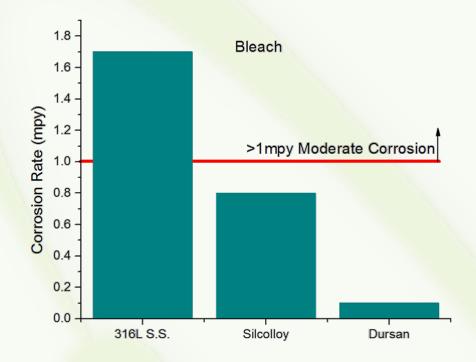
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> 24 hrs at Room Temperature

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- ASTM G31 Guidelines
- 15% NaCIO Exposure
- 72 hrs at Room Temperature



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### **Salt Spray**



- 24 weeks of acidified salt spray per ASTM G85-A2. Total exposure time: 4032 hours.
- Uncoated coupons: moderate rust on all faces
- Duplex alloy 2205 showed rust on edges
- Dursan-coated coupons: no visual rust or weight loss





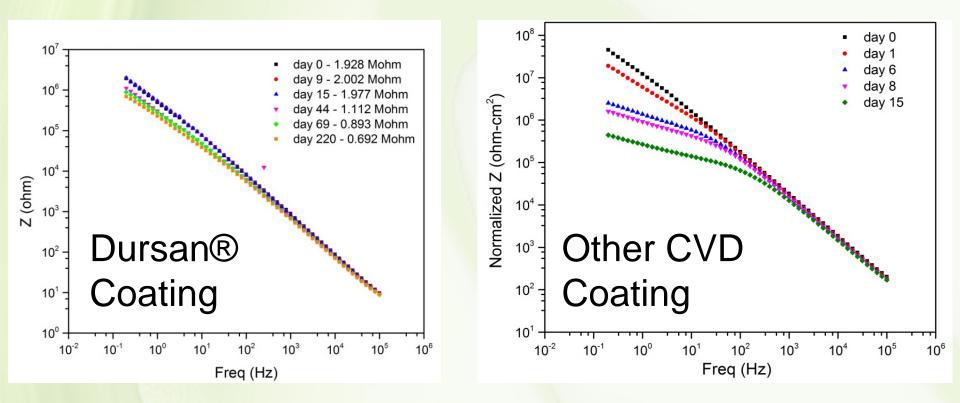
### **Duplex 2205**



**Dursan-coated** 



### EIS – Salt Water (5% NaCI)



Dursan® shows dielectric stability over 220+ days in salt water, demonstrating sustained corrosion resistance



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### **Low Energy**

### Increasing efficiency by preventing adhesion of unwanted media





# Low Energy, High Potential

- Substantially reduce coking/fouling
  - Improve fuel efficiency in auto applications
- Prevent sticking
  - Biomaterials, chemicals, etc.

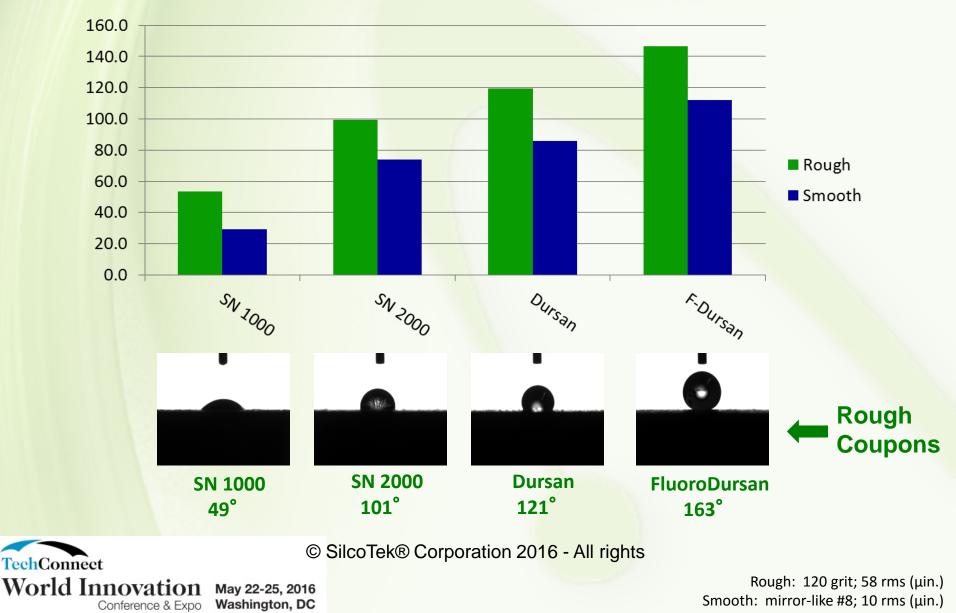


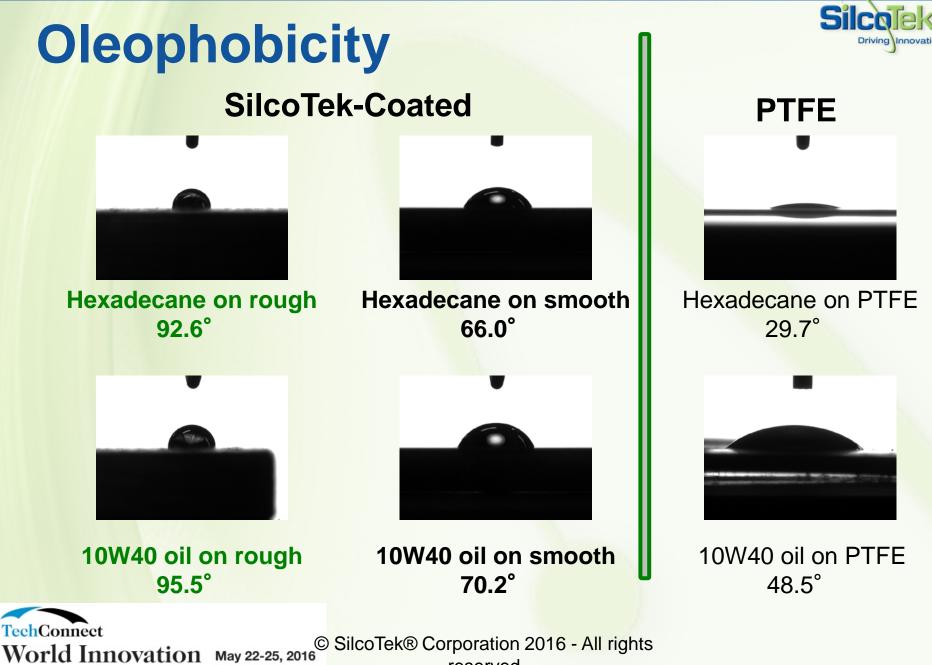
- Improve hydrophobicity
  - Needed in process monitoring, sampling, and other analytical applications





# **Hydrophobicity**





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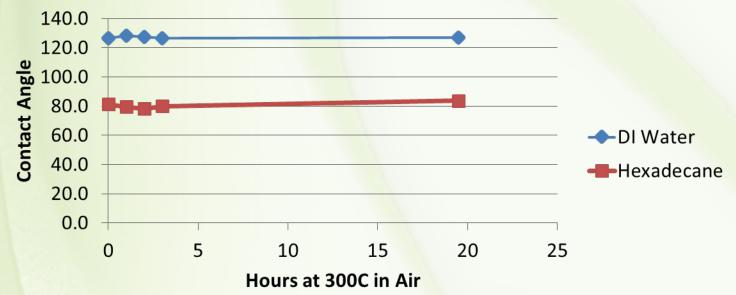
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### **Stability of Low Energy Surface**

### **FluoroDursan on 316**







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### Summary

- Functionalized silicon coatings provide ideal properties not attainable with base metals
- 3D CVD coating process is robust regardless of part complexity or tolerances
- Whether in the field or lab, SilcoTek coatings offer advanced surface performance





# **Questions?**

