

# ALPHA® OM-5100

**Fine Pitch Solder Paste** 

#### **DESCRIPTION**

**ALPHA OM-5100**, is a low residue, no-clean solder paste designed to maximize SMT line yields. The flux vehicle is rheologically formulated to provide excellent repeatability and resistance to environmental conditions. The **ALPHA OM-5100** activation system has been optimized to enhance joint solderability, limit soldering defects and maintaining long term reliability. Minimizing defects requires robust and repeatable processes, equipment and materials.

**ALPHA OM-5100**'s wide reflow profile window enables soldering of lead free components with this tin lead paste. Tests show that complex assemblies with small (0201) tin finished passives and large (1mm pitch) BGA components with SAC 305 spheres can be assembled. Small print deposits remain fully coalesced, even in profiles hot enough to collapse SAC 305 BGA spheres.

READ ENTIRE TECHNICAL DATA SHEET BEFORE USING THIS PRODUCT

#### **FEATURES & BENEFITS**

- Quick start up and simple product substitution from current material
- Print Consistency: Lower "deposit to deposit" variation drives maximization of first pass print and reflow yields
- Print Repeatability: Lower variability after production dwells, ensuring a continuous production flow with minimized level of insufficient solder joints
- Solder Ball Reduction: Minimizing both mid chip and random solder balls helps to maximize reflow yields
- Excellent Solder Spread: Compatibility with a variety of pad and lead finishes drives overall cosmetics and yields up!
- Response to pause performance, generating less defects due to start up
- High print speed, up to 150 mm/sec (6 inch/sec)
- Efficient activation system providing defect free soldering with a wide range of oven profiles
- Low residue level with minimal spread for reliable underfilling processes and results
- Excellent reliability properties, halide-free material
- Enables assembly of Pb free components with tin lead solder paste







# PRODUCT INFORMATION

Alloys: 62Sn/36Pb/2Ag, 63Sn/37Pb and 62.8Sn/36.8Pb/0.4Ag

(NT4S, Anti Tombstoning Alloy)

Powder Size: Type 3, (25 to 45 μm per IPC J-STD-005) or Type 4 (20 to 38μm). Packaging Sizes: 500 gram jars, 6" and 12" cartridges, and DEK ProFlow<sup>TM</sup> cassettes.

Flux Gel: Available in 10cc and 30cc syringes for rework applications.

# **APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

Formulated for both standard and fine pitch SMT stencil printing with apertures down to 0.3mm (12 mil) diameter and print speeds up to 150mm/sec (6"/sec) with standard stencil thickness of 0.100mm (4 mil) to 0.150mm (6 mil), particularly when used in conjunction with ALPHA Stencils.

# **TECHNICAL DATA**

Category	Results	Procedures/Remarks			
Chemical Properties					
Activity Level	ROL0 = J-STD Classification (Corrosivity Cu Mirror Pass (L))	IPC J-STD-004			
	Copper Corrosion Test Pass	IPC J-STD-004			
Halide Content	Halide free (by titration). Passes Ag Chromate Test	IPC J-STD-004			
Electrical Properties					
SIR (IPC 7 days @ 85 °C /85% RH)	2.6 x 10 <sup>9</sup> ohms	Pass, IPC J-STD-004 {Pass = 1 x 10 <sup>8</sup> ohm min, uncleaned}			
SIR (Bellcore 96hrs @ 35 °C/85%RH)	1.9 x 10 <sup>12</sup> ohms	Pass, Bellcore GR78-CORE {Pass = 1 x 10 <sup>11</sup> ohm min}			
Electromigration (Bellcore 500hrs @ 65 °C/85° RH)	<i>initial</i> 1.4 x 10 <sup>9</sup> ohms, <i>final</i> 9.3 x 10 <sup>9</sup> ohms	Pass, Bellcore GR78-CORE 62Sn/36Pb/2Ag {Pass= final > initial/10}			
Physical Properties	Using 90% Metal, Type #3 Powder				
Flux Residue Cosmetics	Clear, Colorless Flux Residue.	63Sn/37Pb alloy			
Tack Force vs. Humidity (24 hrs)	Less than 1g/mm <sup>2</sup> change at 25%,50% and 75% RH	IPC J-STD-005			





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Viscosity	90% metal load designated M13 for printing.	Malcom Spiral Viscometer; J-STD-005	
Solderball	Pass < 10 count (62Sn/36Pb/2Ag, 63Sn/37Pb alloy)	Pass IPC J-STD-005	
Stencil Life	> 8 hours	@ 50%RH, 23 °C (74°F)	
Slump	Hot Slump & Cold Slump Pass	IPC J-STD-005	
	Pass	DIN Standard 32 513, 5.3	

# **PROCESSING GUIDELINES**

Storage-Handling	Printing	Reflow (See Figure #1)	Cleaning
Refrigerate to guarantee stability @ 0 to 10 °C (32 to 50 °F)Shelf life of refrigerated	Stencil: Recommend ALPHA CUT or ALPHA FORM stencils @ 0.100 to 0.150 mm	Atmosphere: Clean-dry air or nitrogen atmosphere.	ALPHA OM-5100 residue is designed to remain
paste is six months. Paste can be stored for 4 weeks at	(4 to 6 mil) thick for 0.4 to 0.5mm (0.016 to 0.020" pitch.	<u>Profile : 63Sn/37Pb,</u> 62Sn/36Pb/2Ag and	on the board after reflow.
room temperatures up to 25 °C (77 °F).	Stencil design is subject to many process variables.	62.8Sn/36.8Pb/0.4Ag alloys: A straight ramp profile @	Misprints and soft flux residues
When refrigerated, warm-up of paste container to room	Contact your local Alpha site for advice.	0.8 to 1.2 °C per second ramp rate is recommended	remaining after rework may be
temperature for up to 8 hours.  Paste must be ≥18 °C (64 °F) before processing. Verify	Squeegee: Metal.  Pressure: 0.15 to 0.3 kg per	with a 30 to 90 sec TAL and 210 to 220 °C peak.	removed with ALPHA Electronic Cleaners Bioact
paste temperature with a thermometer to ensure paste	cm (0.8 to 1.5 pounds per linear inch) of squeegee	High density assemblies may require preheating as	SC-10 & SC-10E and Hydrex™ SP
is at 18 °C (64 °F) or greater before setup. Printing can be	length.  Speed: 25mm to 150 mm (1	follows: - Ramp @ 1 to 2 °C/sec. to 140 to 160 °C.	Aqueous cleaners available from
performed at temperatures up to 28 °C (82 °F).	to 6 in.) per second.	- Dwell @ 140 to 160 °C for 0 to 1.0 minutes.	Alpha.
Do not remove worked paste from stencil and mix with	Paste Roll: 1.5 to 2.0 cm (0.6 to 0.8 inch) diameter and	- Ramp @ 1 to 2 °C/sec to 210 to 220 °C peak	
unused paste in jar. This will alter rheology of unused paste.	make additions when roll reaches 1-cm (0.4-in.) diameter. Maximum roll size	- Time above liquidus = 30 to 90 secs - Ramp down to R.T. @	
These are starting	will depend upon blade type.	60 to 150 °C/min.	
recommendations and all process settings should be	Print Pump Head: ALPHA OM-5100 is suitable		
reviewed independently.	for use in both MPM RheoPump and DEK ProFlow systems.		



# **REFLOW PROFILES**

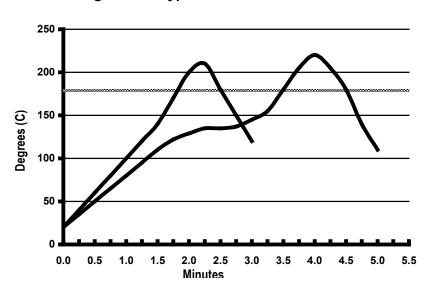
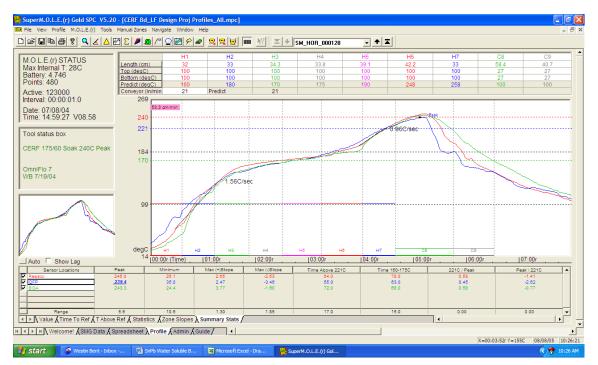


Figure #1: Typical Reflow Profiles

Figure #2 – OM-5100 Paste with Typical SAC Reflow Profile Phrase OM-338 Reflow Profile: High Soak: 175C/60S Soak 240C Peak 60S TAL





# Analyses of OM5100 Eutectic paste reflowed with SAC305 Spheres on BGA Package

As Sn/Pb components become more and more difficult to source mixed formulation solder joints are now becoming common place in electronics assemblies. For example, area array components (BGA/CSP) are almost exclusively available with led free Sn-Ag-Cu (SAC) solder spheres. These parts are often assembled to printed circuit boards using traditional Sn-Pb eutectic solder paste. This is now common In the Medical, Military and Automotive industries. Alpha OM-5100's unique flux chemistry allows the user to process the eutectic alloy of the OM5100paste with lead free components in a typical lead-free reflow profile. The figures below are examples of Alpha OM-5100 eutectic solder paste reflowed with a SAC305 BGA package and Sn coated chip components.

The pictures in Figures 3 and 4 are on the same board. Showing lead free components reflowing into eutectic solder paste as well as allowing fine feature printing and full joint coalescence at the 0201 feature pad.

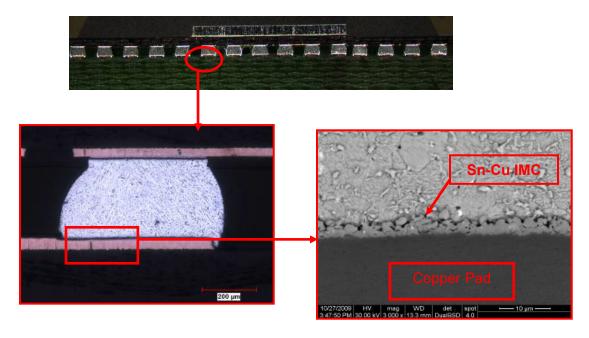


Figure #3 - OM-5100 Paste reflowed to BGA having SAC305 solder spheres

These cross section photos illustrate the formation of a uniform and continuous IMC layer at the eutectic solder paste and SAC sphere interfaces. Note how upon collapse, the SAC alloy and the Sn63 from the paste form a continuous joint.



Figure #4 - OM5100 Paste reflowed to Sn plated 0201 Chip component

The cross section of the 0201 chip component reveals formation of a uniform and continuous IMC layer at the interface.





## **SAFETY & WARNING**

It is recommended that the company/operator read and review the Safety Data Sheets for the appropriate health and safety warnings before use. **Safety Data Sheets are available at AlphaAssembly.com** 

### **STORAGE**

ALPHA OM-5100 should be stored in a refrigerator upon receipt at 0 to 10 °C (32 to 50 °F). Permit paste to reach room temperature prior to opening. This will prevent condensation of moisture on the solder paste. Other storage conditions are shown on page 3.

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