

# Prevent Mercury Loss During Transport and Storage

## Use Siltek® Surface Treatment on Steel Components

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- Rugged—withstands temperatures up to 400°C.
- Meets system inertness requirements.
- Eliminates costly retests.

As concerns grow over mercury in the environment, new regulations have been developed to measure, and eventually reduce, mercury emissions from coal-fired electric utilities. For example, the US EPA will require all electric utilities to measure mercury emissions starting on January 1, 2009. The most popular methods of sampling will be based on continuous mercury monitoring systems (CMMS) and sorbent tube samplers. To ensure quantitative storage and transfer, and accurate analysis, of the low levels of mercury in streams sampled from flue stacks, these sampling systems must be inert.

Siltek® surface treatment has been used in a wide variety of applications in which an inert surface is of paramount importance. To measure the impact of Siltek® treatment on adsorption of mercury during storage, we compared the performances of 304 grade stainless steel gas sampling cylinders (Swagelok®, Solon OH) with and without Siltek® treatment.

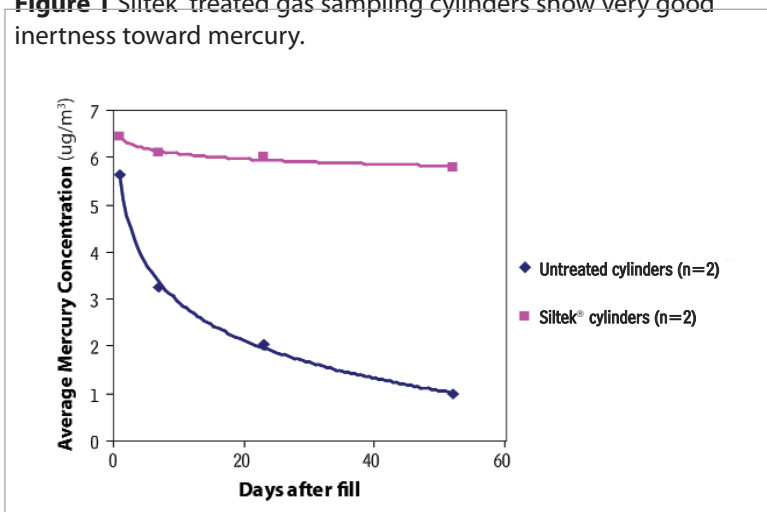
We filled each cylinder with 8µg/m<sup>3</sup> of elemental mercury (approximately 1 part per billion) (Spectra Gases, Alpha NJ) and assessed the mercury concentration in each cylinder over time to determine changes in mercury concentration. Detection was achieved by direct interface gas sampling to an atomic adsorption detector. Sample pathway regulator and tubing were Siltek® treated to ensure accurate transfer.

The data in Figure 1 demonstrate that Siltek® treatment provides a stable surface for elemental mercury, and untreated stainless steel does not. Based on these results, we conclude that Siltek® surface treatment for steel or stainless steel components and tubing in CMMS and sorbent tube mercury sampling systems will improve analytical reliability. For more information about Siltek® surface treatment, visit us at: [www.restekcoatings.com](http://www.restekcoatings.com)

### Sulfinert® Treated Swagelok® Sample Cylinders

Size	qty.	cat.#
75cc	ea.	24130
150cc	ea.	24131
300cc	ea.	24132
500cc	ea.	24133
1000cc	ea.	24134
2250cc	ea.	21394

**Figure 1** Siltek® treated gas sampling cylinders show very good inertness toward mercury.



### Siltek®/Sulfinert® Treated Coiled Electropolished 316L Grade Stainless Steel Tubing

ID	OD	cat.#	5-24 ft.	25-99 ft.	100-299 ft.	> 300 ft.
0.085" (2.16mm)	1/8" (3.18mm)*	22538				
0.180" (4.57mm)	1/4" (6.35mm)**	22539				

1/8" OD: 5 ft. to 100 ft. in one continuous coil; 1/4" OD: 5 ft. to 300 ft. in one continuous coil. Longer lengths will be more than one coil. Note: required length in meters x 3.2808 = length in feet.

### Siltek®/Sulfinert® Treated Coiled 316L Grade Stainless Steel Tubing

ID	OD	cat.#	5-24 ft.	25-199 ft.	200-399 ft.	> 400 ft.
0.055" (1.40mm)	1/8" (3.18mm)**	22508				
0.180" (4.57mm)	1/4" (6.35mm)**	22509				
0.277" (7.04mm)	3/8" (9.52mm)***	22914				

### Siltek®/Sulfinert® Treated Straight Seamless 316L Grade Stainless Steel Tubing

6 foot Length			
ID	OD	qty.	cat.#
0.055" (1.40mm)	1/8" (3.18mm)**	ea.	22901
0.180" (4.57mm)	1/4" (6.35mm)**	ea.	22902
0.277" (7.04mm)	3/8" (9.52mm)***	ea.	22903

\*0.020" wall thickness    \*\*0.035" wall thickness    \*\*\*0.049" wall thickness

### Sulfinert® Treated Alta-Robbins Sample Cylinder Valves

Description	qty.	cat.#
1/4" NPT Exit	ea.	21400
1/4" Compression Exit	ea.	21401
1/4" NPT with Dip Tube*	ea.	21402
1/4" NPT with 2850psi Rupture Disc	ea.	21403
1/4" NPT Male Inlet x 1/4" Female Outlet with 2850psi Rupture Disc	ea.	21404

Specify dip tube length or % outage when ordering (maximum length = 5.25" / 13.3cm)

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thank you

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