Kanthal® Super
High power heating elements
for improved furnace productivity
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Sandvik’s family for heating elements, Kanthal® Super, has long been the preferred choice for quality aware furnace builders and operators. Flexible design, a wide variety of grades, low energy consumption, long life and superior technical service has built a market leading brand, offering maximum productivity and quick return on investment to users of Kanthal Super around the world.

Kanthal Super family – customized designs
Kanthal Super is the market leading family of high-power electric molybdenum disilicide (MoSi2) heating elements for element temperatures up to 1850°C (3360°F). Kanthal Super heating elements are available as straight or bent elements in a wide range of shapes and sizes, all characterized by long life and consistent performance. We provide customer designed elements according to specific needs, enabling optimized element design for each particular application.

Grades for different applications
The Kanthal Super program includes a wide variety of grades with the specific features for use in demanding applications and atmospheres, including nitrogen, hydrogen, vacuum and mixtures of endogas and reducing atmospheres.

Improved productivity through long element life and low energy consumption
The result of choosing elements from the Kanthal Super family is a furnace that will run longer between maintenance stops, consume less energy and improve plant productivity. To owners of companies producing glass, electronics, steel, ceramics or providing heat treatment service, the choice of Kanthal Super MoSi2 heating elements is a safe way to desirable return on investment.

Superior service
Sandvik is a global company with local service. Our products are developed according to our customers requirements. We offer a wide range of heating solutions from single elements to complete solutions with control systems. Our aim is to offer you the most adaptable and optimal heating solutions concerning productivity, profit and fast return on investment. With our technical experience and leading position, we have been the most preferable choice since 1931.

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GRADES FOR DEMANDING APPLICATIONS
Kanthal program of MoSi₂ heating element includes several grades with specific features for use in demanding applications and atmospheres.

Kanthal Super 1700
Kanthal Super is a unique material combining the best properties of metallic and ceramic materials. Like metallic materials it has good heat and electrical conductivity and like ceramics it withstands corrosion and oxidation and has low thermal expansion. Maximum temperature 1700°C (3090°F).

Kanthal Super 1800
Same core characteristics as Kanthal Super 1700. Maximum temperature 1800°C (3270°F).

Kanthal Super 1900
Same core characteristics as Kanthal Super 1700, but has higher purity and a surface with better adhesion. Maximum temperature 1850°C (3360°F).

Kanthal Super ER
Kanthal Super ER is a new electric heating element with the unique ability to operate up to 1580°C (2875°F) directly in a wide range of furnace atmospheres from very dry reducing to oxidizing. With Kanthal Super ER heating elements it is possible, in just one furnace, to operate firing cycles where the atmosphere condition can be altered, during the cycle, between oxidizing, inert, carburizing, nitriding, reducing and rough vacuum.

Kanthal Super RA
Kanthal Super RA offers a long lifetime at high temperature in all reducing and oxygen deficient atmospheres. Specially designed for working in nitrogen atmosphere. Maximum temperature 1700°C (3090°F).

Kanthal Super NC
Kanthal Super NC is a heating element with special features, designed to meet the demands for clean process heating in the research and electronics industries. Maximum temperature 1800°C (3270°F).

Kanthal Super HT
Kanthal Super HT is designed for a longer lifetime of small dimension elements in temperature cycling conditions. The hot strength and form stability is improved. The maximum operating temperature is 1830°C (3330°F), and the element is suitable for furnace temperatures between 1500–1750°C (2730–3180°F) approximately.
Applications

The Kanthal® Super program offer is based on a wide range of high temperatures applications. Here we present the largest segment with typical processes. We offer infinite options due to our customized designs where demands on high temperature solutions are needed. Our products are best used by customers looking for energy savings, economic benefits, increased productivity and low maintenance.

Glass industry
The Kanthal Super program includes products for the primary glass manufacturing, such as technical, specialty and fiber glass. Here are two typical glass processes:

- Glass forehearth (feeders)
- Glass fusions/downdraw process

Ceramic industry
The Kanthal Super program offers several products for the production of traditional ceramics, functional ceramics and ceramics used as engineering materials. For example, Kanthal Super products are widely used in:

- Ceramics sintering
- Ceramics firing
- Heat treatment of ceramics
Heat treatment
The Kanthal Super program includes products for different types of heat treatment processes for steel, aluminium and other metallic materials. Our products are widely used in, for example:

- Annealing furnaces
- Carburizing furnaces
- Galvanizing furnaces
- Hardening furnaces
- Sintering furnaces

Electronic industry
The Kanthal Super program offers products for the heating processes in the electronic industry. Our products are used in, for example:

- Furnace for single growth crystal Si,GaAs
- Diffusion cassettes
- MLCC sintering
- ITO sintering
Technical information

The optimal choice of Kanthal® Super MoSi₂ heating element depends on a number of factors, such as operating temperature in different atmospheres, ambition to improve productivity and element life time.

Your local Sandvik sales representative will be happy to supply you with further detailed information.

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**Oxidation properties**

The oxidation properties of the various grades of Kanthal® Super MoSi₂ heating elements are shown in the graph. The oxide thickness is measured in micrometers (μm) and the time is expressed in hours. The grades are distinguished by different colors and symbols.

**Resistivity**

The resistivity of different grades of Kanthal® Super MoSi₂ heating elements is plotted against the element temperature. The resistivity is given in ohm square millimeters per meter (Ω mm² m⁻¹).

**Standard product range**

The table lists the standard product range of Kanthal® Super MoSi₂ heating elements, including the grade, heating zone diam./terminal diam., and operating temperature ranges.

**Max temperature in different atmospheres**

The graph shows the maximum temperature that can be achieved in different atmospheres for the various grades of Kanthal® Super MoSi₂ heating elements.
Designing heating solutions with Kanthal Super gives several opportunities to decrease the cost and increase the productivity.

**Benefits with Kanthal Super**
- Higher watt loadings compared to other heating solutions up to 1850°C (3360°F) in oxidizing atmospheres 30 W/cm² (193.5 W/in²) compared to 15 W/cm² (97.8 W/in²)
- Stable resistance, new and old elements can be connected in series
- Fast thermal cycling possible without element degradation
- Relatively easy to change while the furnace is hot
- Longest inherent life of all electric heating elements

![Comparison of surface loading graph](image-url)
Sandvik Group
The Sandvik Group is a global high technology enterprise with 47,000 employees in 130 countries. Sandvik’s operations are concentrated on three core businesses: Sandvik Tooling, Sandvik Mining and Construction and Sandvik Materials Technology – areas in which the group holds leading global positions in selected niches.

Sandvik Materials Technology
Sandvik Materials Technology is a world-leading manufacturer of high value-added products in advanced stainless steels and special alloys, and of medical implants, steel belt-based systems and industrial heating solutions.

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Quality management
Sandvik Materials Technology has quality management systems approved by internationally recognized organizations. We hold, for example, the ASME Quality Systems Certificate as a materials organization, approval to ISO 9001, ISO/TS 16949, ISO 17025, and PED 97/23/EC, as well as product approvals from TÜV, JIS and Lloyd’s Register.

Environment, health and safety
Environmental awareness, health and safety are integral parts of our business and are at the forefront of all activities within our operation. We hold ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001 approvals.

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