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OUR BRASS IS THE BETTER BRONZE

Sofia Med is a producer of a wide range of rolled and extruded copper and copper alloy products such as sheets, strips, plates, circles, disks, bare and plated copper bus bars, rods, profiles, components, fabricated parts and wire that are used in a wide variety of building and industrial applications.

Sofia Med is part of the ElvalHalcor Hellenic Copper and Aluminium industry S.A., a leading global manufacturer of aluminium and copper rolled and extrusion products.

Sofia Med is situated in Sofia, Bulgaria, on a 250 000 m² area and has three production units: Foundry, Rolling and Extrusion.

With more than 80 years of manufacturing experience and significant investments, **Sofia Med** has evolved into a competitive modern European company with customers globally.

Sofia Med operates under strict quality, environmental, as well as health and safety management systems, in compliance with ISO 9001:2015, IATF 16949:2016, ISO 14001:2015, OHSAS 18001:2017, ISO 50001:2011, as well as follows the guidelines of ISO 26000:2010 for social responsibility.

The wide product range of **Sofia Med** meets the requirements of the Unified European standards (EN), as well as BS, DIN, ASTM, JIS standards, or any other specific customer request.

GENERAL PROPERTIES

ALLOY CHARACTERISTICS

SM688 is very favorable for electrical connectors and useful to replace the C5191 (CuSn6) and C5210 (CuSn8). The cold forming properties are more than good, the bending properties in good way and bad way are at least on the same level as C5191 (CuSn6) or even better, especially in the temper class of 600-700 N/mm². The electrical conductivity is 2-3% IACS higher than C5191 (CuSn6). Strip can be produced from 0.080 – 5 mm, even in sheets and circles it is available. Applications are connectors, switches, carriers, contact springs, relays and many electronic applications. The strips can be delivered with tempered qualities on request. The material is in line with the U.S. EPA and meets the OEKO-TEX standard regarding the Pb and Cd.

Comparison of SM688 (CuZn23Al3Co) with CuSn6 (C5191) and CuSn8 (C5210)

Within the last couple of years the consideration of designer of connectors has changed completely. As it was in the 90s and in the first decade of this century only important to create alloys with great high performance with very good relaxation behavior and high tensile strength with relatively middle class electrical conductivity.

Sofia Med takes in consideration for all connectors needed between 600-750 N/mm² a high class brass for reasonable price against a phosphor bronze.

COMPARISON OF SAME TEMPERCLASS WITH BRONZE AND SM688 IN THE TEMPER 600

	C51910	C52100	C68800
UNS	C51910	C52100	C68800
JIS	C5191	C5210	C6880
DIN name	CuSn6	CuSn8	CuZn23Al3Co
Sofia Med			SM688
Tensile strength in N/mm ²	580-660	600-690	600-700
0,2% yield strength in N/mm ²	>530	>540	>510
Vickers hardness HV (indication value only)	180-210	190-220	175-210
Elongation A50%	>7	>8	>13 ↑
Electrical conductivity in IACS	13	12	17 ↑
Bendability 90°			
0.10 ≤ s ≤ 0.25 mm	Transverse	0 x s	0 x s
	Parallel	0 x s	1 x s
0.25 ≤ s ≤ 0.50 mm	Transverse	0 x s	1 x s
	Parallel	0 x s	2 x s

MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

	0 HV150-180	H01 HV175-210	H02 HV190-220	H04 HV210-240	H06 HV230-260
Tensile strength in N/mm ²	540-600	600-700	660-750	740-830	820-910
0,2% yield strength in N/mm ² min	430	510	580	660	780
Vickers hardness HV	150-180	175-210	190-220	210-240	230-260
Elongation A _{L50%}	>30	>13	>8	>3	>2
Electrical conductivity in % IACS	17	17	17	16	16
Bendability					
0.10 ≤ s ≤ 0.25 mm	Transverse	0 x s	0 x s	0 x s	1 x s
	Parallel	0 x s	0 x s	0 x s	1,5 x s
0.25 ≤ s ≤ 0.50 mm	Transverse	0 x s	0 x s	0 x s	2 x s
	Parallel	0 x s	0 x s	1 x s	2 x s

TEMPER CONDITIONS

COMPARISON OF SAME TEMPERCLASS WITH BRONZE AND SM688 IN THE TEMPER 660

	C51910	C52100	C68800
UNS	C51910	C52100	C68800
JIS	C5191	C5210	C6880
DIN name	CuSn6	CuSn8	CuZn23Al3Co
Sofia Med			SM688
Tensile strength in N/mm ²	640-730	660-750	660-750
0,2% yield strength in N/mm ²	>600	>620	>580
Vickers hardness HV (indication value only)	200-230	210-240	210-240
Elongation A50%	>4	>6	>8 ↑
Electrical conductivity in IACS	13	12	17 ↑
Bendability 90°			
0.10 ≤ s ≤ 0.25 mm	Transverse	0 x s	0,5 x s
	Parallel	2 x s	1,5 x s
0.25 ≤ s ≤ 0.50 mm	Transverse	1 x s	1 x s
	Parallel	3 x s	3 x s

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Thermal expansion coefficient 20 ... 300°C	18,2	10 ⁻⁶ /K
Density	8,2	g/cm ³
Thermal conductivity	78	W/(m·K)
Modulus of elasticity (1 GPa = 1 kN/mm ²) cold formed	115 Gpa =	kN/mm ²
Electrical conductivity soft	10	MS/m

MATERIAL DESIGNATION

DIN EN Symbol	CuZn23Al3Co
UNS	C68800
JIS	C6880

This information was given with the best knowledge, but cannot guarantee any characteristics we describe listed above. The contract terms of Sofia Med agreed with any individual customer and our general conditions of sales describe the liability of these conditions. In any case do we reserve the right by technical development or any other reason to modify this sheet according to our needs. This data sheet is part of a technical modification service done case by case.

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

Cu	Balance
Zn	23%
Al	3%
Co	0,4%
Fe	<0,05
Ni	<0,1
Others	<0,105