



# Data Sheet

**ME430 Stainless Steel Fibres** reinforce monolithic refractories against thermal and mechanical shock by reducing cracking and spalling susceptibility. The fibres can be used in refractory operating conditions of:

- Moderate thermal cycling, or
- Continuous fibre soaking temperature up to 1000°C in refractory
- Moderate mechanical shock
- Reasonable high temperature oxidation resistance

**Chemical Composition (maximum unless stated):**

C	Si	Mn	P	S	Cr	Ni	others
0.40	3.5	2.0	0.050	0.10	14.0-18.0	0.5	-

**Melting Temperature:** 1480-1530°C

**Critical Oxidation Temperature:**

Cyclic Heating: 850 °C

Continuous Service: 1000 °C

**Tensile Strength:**

20 °C 850 MPa

870 °C 47 MPa

**Modulus of Elasticity (870°C):** 83 GPa

**Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (870°C):** 13.7 @10<sup>-6</sup> /°C

**Thermal Conductivity (540°C):** 26.5 W/m<sup>2</sup>K

**ME Fibre – Typical Dimensions and Aspect Ratios**

Fibre Length <sup>*1</sup>	Typical Equivalent Dia <sup>*2</sup>	Typical Aspect Ratio <sup>*3</sup>	Typical No/kg
12mm	0.30mm	40	151,000
20mm	0.40mm	50	51,000
25mm	0.50mm	50	26,000
25mm	0.60mm	42	18,100
35mm	0.60mm	58	12,000
35mm	0.70mm	50	5,000

<sup>\*3</sup> Aspect ratio is calculated as fibre length ÷ diameter

<sup>\*1</sup> Other fibre lengths can be manufactured on request

<sup>\*2</sup> Other fibre diameters can be manufactured on request

