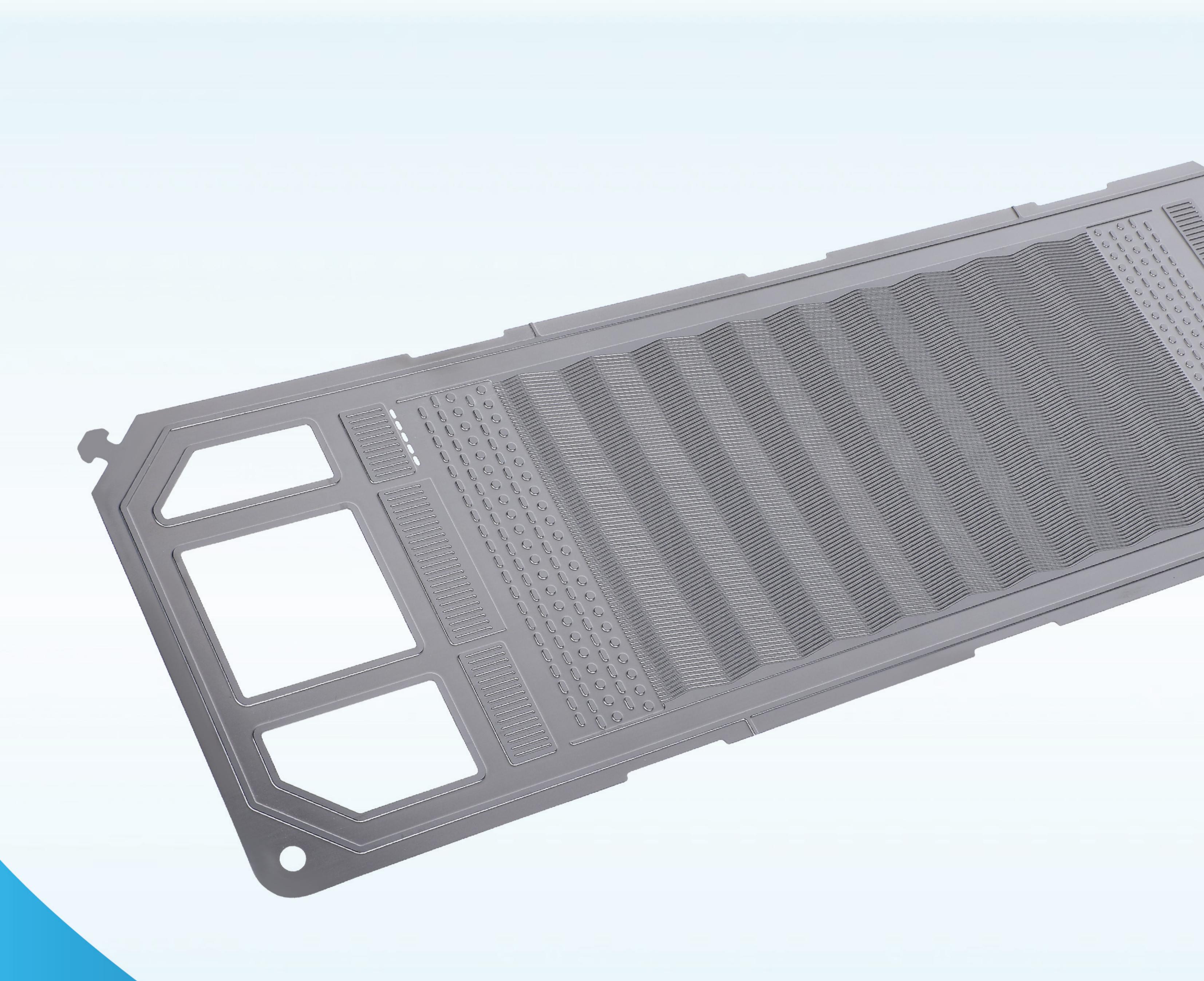


# SydroDIAMOND®

**Bipolar Plate Coating Solution** 





#### **Enabling Energy Transition through Deep Technology**

Lifespan, efficiency, and stability are key for fuel cells to meet increasing energy demands, crucial for the success of fuel cell manufacturers. Bipolar Plates are a critical component of hydrogen fuel cells, representing up to 80% of a fuel cell stack's weight and 50% of cost.

Metallic bipolar plates are the technology of choice for the mass production of fuel cells due to its ability to enable a smaller form factor, weight and scalable production techniques.

However, the metallic bipolar plates easily degrade in fuel cells, leading to severe reduction performance over its lifespan.

	Graphite	Metal	Coated Metal
Corrosion Resistance			
Electrical Conductivity			
Mechanical Strength			
Weight			
Material Thickness			

# Why SydroDIAMOND®?

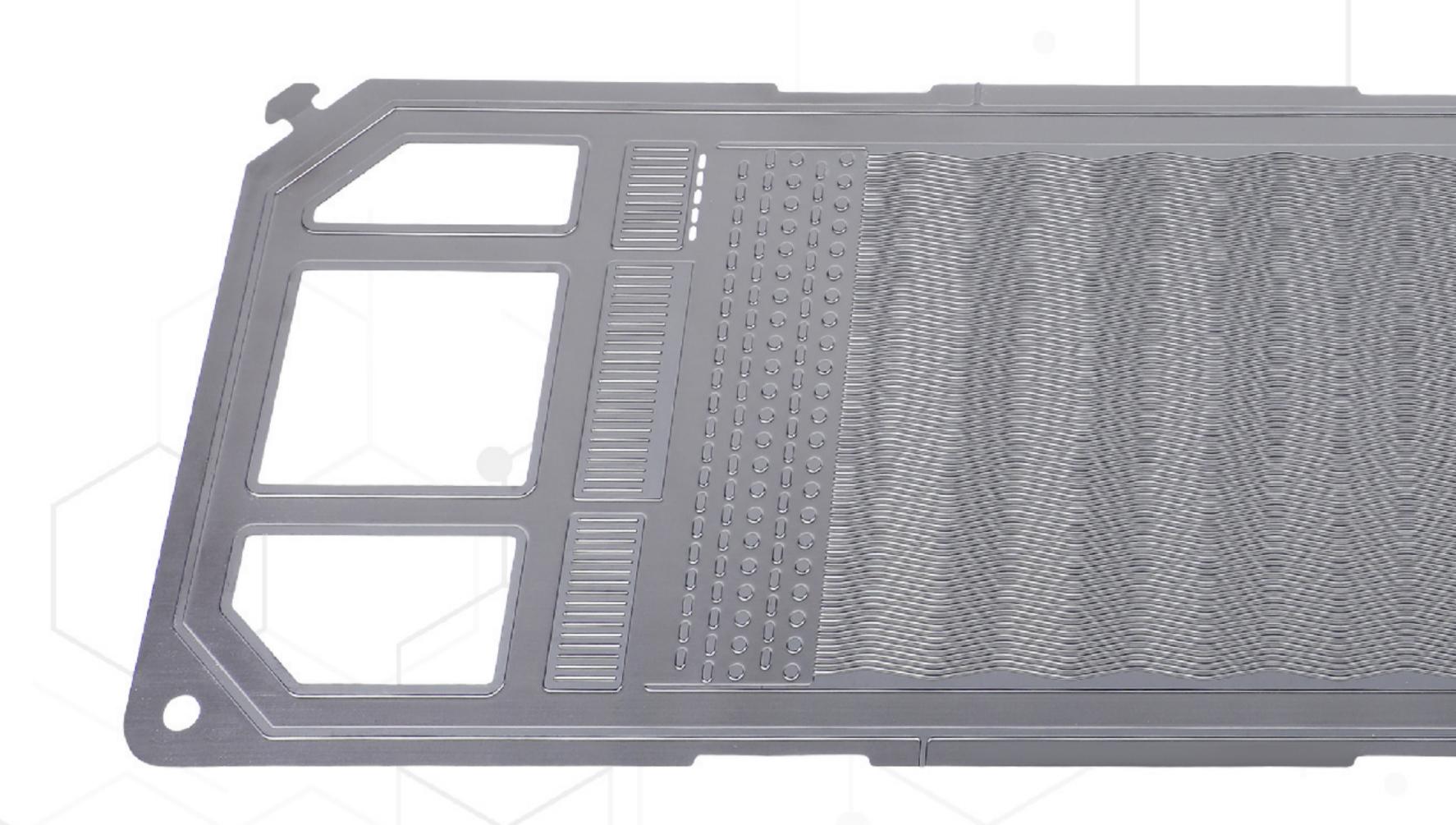
Maintains long-lasting cell performance at a high current density enabling smaller cell and stack sizes

SydroDIAMOND®
ion-leaching test result
demonstrated to be
9 times better than
PVD gold benchmark

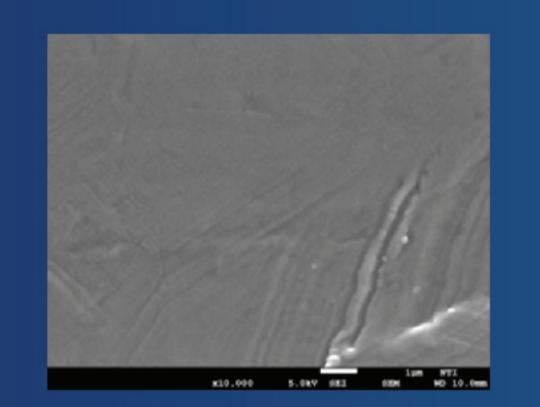
# SydroDIAMOND®: Metallic Bipolar Plate Coatings for PEM Fuel Cells

SydroDIAMOND® is a precious metal-free bipolar plate coating that enhances material conductivity and protects substrate materials from degradation.

SydroDIAMOND® is commercialised and in-production for SUS 316L, SUS 304 and Titanium substrates using our unique Filtered Cathodic Vacuum Arc (FCVA) coating technology.

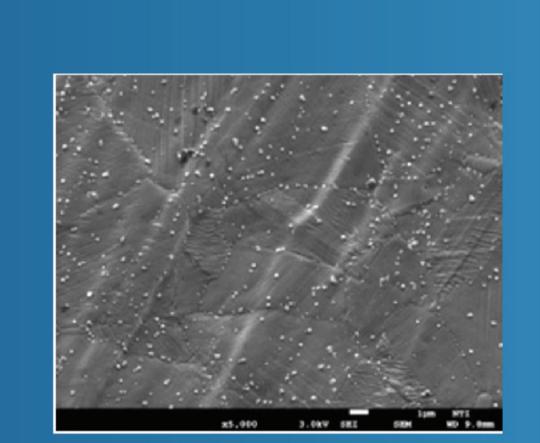


#### Market-Leading Wear Resistance



SydroDIAMOND®
Coating

Smooth, uniform coatings using FCVA



Alternative Carbon Compounds

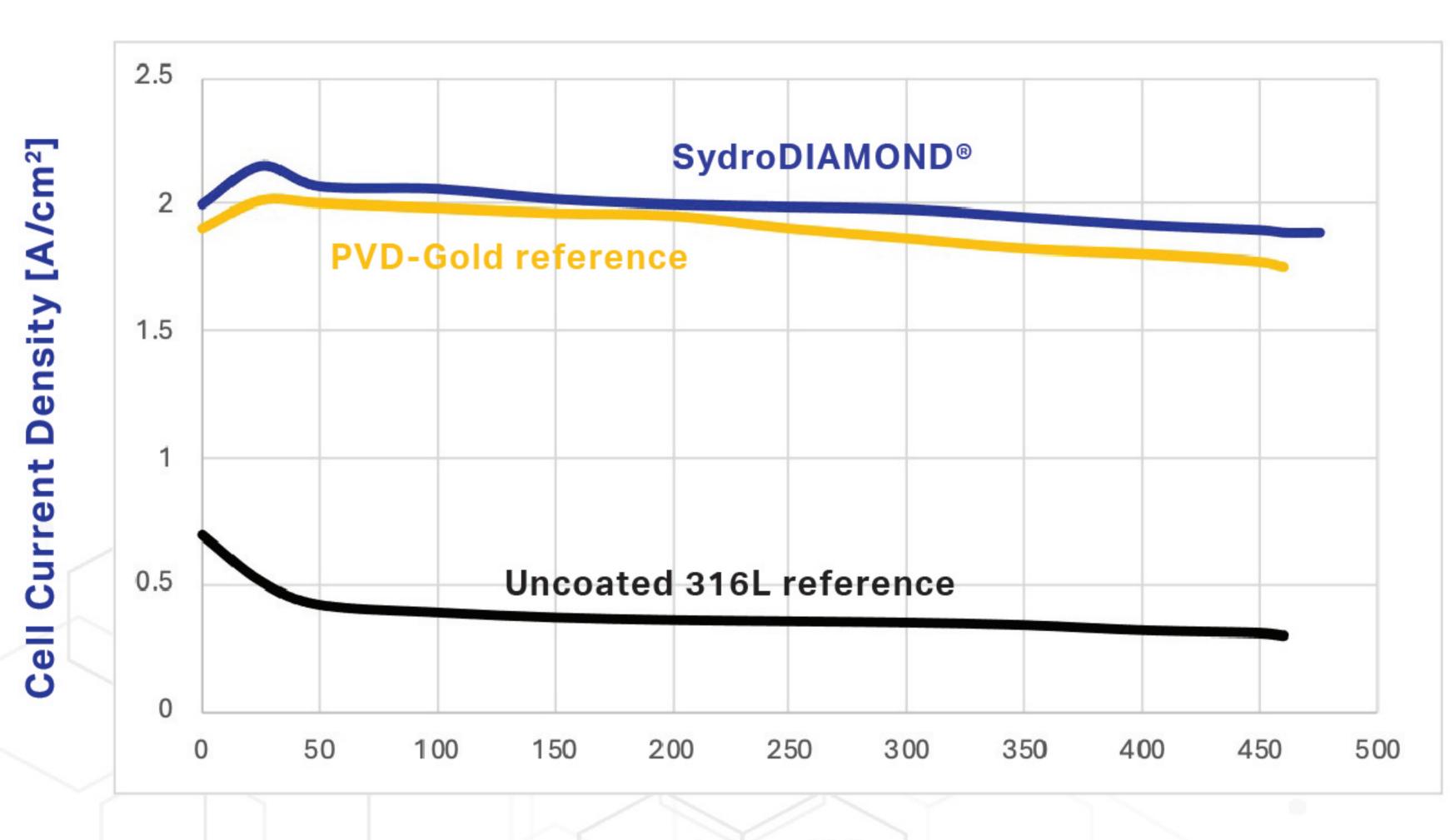
Rougher coatings susceptible to degradation by conventional PVD

### Verified to Maintain High Fuel Cell Current Density

SydroDIAMOND® has been demonstrated to maintain a high Fuel Cell current density with lower degradation compared to a reference gold material.

These were tested under cyclical Accelerated Stress Test conditions.

The AST was conducted by third-party German research institute Zentrum für BrennstoffzellenTechnik GmbH (ZBT), a leading fuel cell research institute in Duisberg, Germany.



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#### **Benefits**

Features	Benefits	
Enabling high current density	Reduce cells required and stack size	
Increasing BPP lifespan	Avoid fuel cell losses in efficiency & stability over time	
Low ion-leaching	Protect Membrane Electrode Assemblies	
Enhancing water management	Optimal fuel cell performance	
Replacing expensive noble metals	Reduction in cost of coating materials	
Customisable to high precision	Tailored to your operating conditions	

#### **Technical Data**

Substrate	ICR (mΩ*cm²)	Corrosion Current (µA/cm²)
DOE 2025 Benchmark	< 10	< 1
SUS316L	≤ 2	lcorr<0.05 (0.84V vs SHE for 100H) lcorr<1 (1.6V vs SHE for 20H)
SUS304	< 2	< 0.1
Titanium	< 2	< 0.05

- Test conditions: ICR tested at 0.6MPa, higher voltage test conditions
- Iron Ion-leaching is customizable to below 10ppb
- Water Contact Angle properties are adjustable for optimised water management

#### Full Spectrum of Capabilities for a Complete Bipolar Plate Solution

Sydrogen's coating technology is in mass production and integrated with other key manufacturing stages in the production of high-quality Bipolar Plates. We work closely with partners with expertise in Vision AI, bipolar gaskets, and cleaning for the capability to deliver a complete bipolar plate product.





#### **CLEANING LINE**

- Aqueous
- Acid & Alkaline
- Hydrocarbon

## **COATING EQUIPMENT**

- Filtered Cathodic Vacuum Arc Technology
- Unique Tetrahedral Amorphous Carbon Coating



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### **GASKET AND SEALING**

- Form-in-Place (FIP)
- Liquid Silicone Rubber (LSR) injection moulding

### QUALITY CONTROL

- Automated Machine vision solution deploying in 2024
- Quality control of incoming and outgoing bipolar plates



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