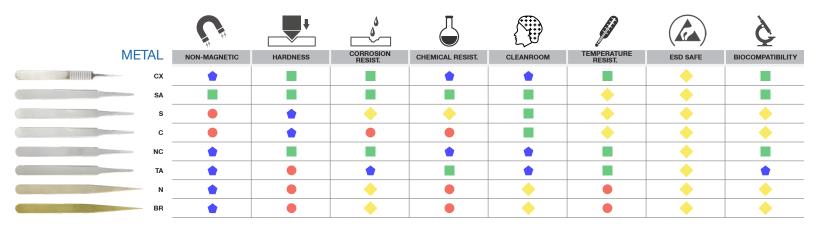


Training Program - 01. Tweezer materials

# Tweezer material selection guide\*



COATING	NON-MAGNETIC	HARDNESS	CORROSION RESIST.	CHEMICAL RESIST.	CLEANROOM	TEMPERATURE RESIST.	ESD SAFE	BIOCOMPATIBILITY
SA+DC		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SA+NE					•		•	<b>•</b>
SA+T		<b>•</b>				•	•	
SA+DN							•	<b>•</b>

PLASTIC	NON-MAGNETIC	HARDNESS	CORROSION RESIST.	CHEMICAL RESIST.	CLEANROOM	TEMPERATURE RESIST.	ESD SAFE	BIOCOMPATIBILITY
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CF €					•	•	•	<b>♦</b>
sv		<b>•</b>	•	•	•	•	•	<b>♦</b>
DG		<b>\</b>			•	•	•	<b>♦</b>

CERAMIC	NON-MAGNETIC	HARDNESS	CORROSION RESIST.	CHEMICAL RESIST.	CLEANROOM	TEMPERATURE RESIST.	ESD SAFE	BIOCOMPATIBILITY
SA+MZ		•		•	•	•	•	•
•o• SA+ZJ		•		•	•	•		•



#### **DEFINITION**

	NON-MAGNETIC	Those materials which do not acquire mag- netic properties, either transient or perma- nent, when placed in a magnetic field or subjected to a magnetization process
	HARDNESS	The resistance of a material to penetration
	CORROSION RESISTANCE	The capability of material to withstand the deterioration and chemical breakdown during surface exposure in a specific environment
	CHEMICAL RESISTANCE	The strength of a material to protect against chemical attack or solvent reaction
	CLEANROOM	A controlled environment typically used in manufacturing
	TEMPERATURE RESISTANCE	The resistance of material properties to decrease as temperature increases
	ESD SAFE	A material that reduce static electricity to protect electrostatic-sensitive devices
	BIOCOMPATIBILITY	The capability of a material to exist in har- mony with tissue without causing deleteri- ous changes

<sup>\*</sup> Material selection chart is intended as a starting point to select material. Techni-pro recommends always testing our specific product with your application

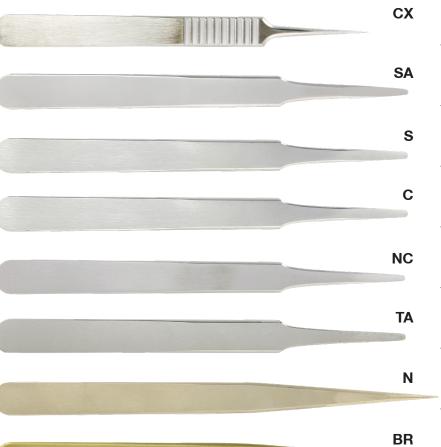












MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	MAIN FEATURES & APPLICATIONS
Superalloy Anti-Acid, Anti-Magnetic (Superalloy Ni-Cr-Mo)	Fully non-magnetic - ● strength - ■ hardness - ◆ resistance to fatigue - ● shape retention - ■ corrosion resistance to most chemicals, salts and acids  **TYPICAL APPLICATIONS**  Non-magnetic tools for electronic and watch industry applications and for laboratory and medical applications in aggressive chemical environments
Anti-Acid, Anti-Magnetic Stainless Steel (AISI 316L)	Non-magnetic - toughness - corrosion resistance to most chemicals, salts and acids <b>TYPICAL APPLICATIONS</b> Tweezers for the electronic industry, watch-makers, jewelers and laboratory and medical applications in moderately aggressive chemical environments
Stainless Steel (AISI 420)	Magnetic - ◆ strenght - ◆ hardness - ◆ resistance to corrosion  TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  Tweezers and cutting tools for the electronic industry, watch-makers, jewelers and laboratory and medical applications in mild aggressive chemical environments
Carbon Steel (AISI 1060)	Magnetic - ♠ strenght - ♠ hardness - ♠ resistance to corrosion  TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  Tweezers and cutting tools for the electronic industry, watch-makers, jewelers applications
Superalloy Anti-Acid, Anti-Magnetic (Superalloy Ni-Cr-Mo)	Fully non-magnetic - strength - hardness - resistance to fatigue - shape retention - corrosion resistance to most chemicals, salts and acids TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  Non-magnetic tools for electronic and watch industry applications and for laboratory and medical applications in aggressive chemical environments
Titanium (Nonferrous alloy, Grade 1)	Fully non-magnetic - mechanical properties - ductility - cold formability - corrosion resistance - melting point (high temperature resistance)  TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  Handling of components in cleaning/chemical processes at high temperature, histology, biology, medicine, surgery. Used when high strength-to-weight ratio is required. Bio-compatible
Nickel (Nonferrous alloy CuNi18Zn20)	Non-magnetic - soft and elastic - ■ cold workability (forming) - ❖ corrosion resistance by fresh water and steam - ❖ resistance to saltwater corrosion - ❖ resistance to alkalies and organic acids - ❖ resistance to inorganic acids  **TYPICAL APPLICATIONS**  Handling of scratch-sensitive parts in electronic, micro-mechanical and jewellery applications
Brass (Nonferrous alloy CuZn37)	Non-magnetic - ● cold workability (forming) - ● mechanical properties - ■ corrosion resistance - ○ corrosion resistance by fresh water and steam  TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  Tweezers for handling scratch-sensitive mechanical parts, watch components, magnets

# Coating tweezer materials





COATING DESCRIPTION	MAIN FEATURES & APPLICATIONS				
High-tek Diamond coating	ESD-safe material - ♠ hardness - ♠ wear resistance - ♠ friction coefficient - ♠ adherence to the tweezers - ♠ humidity resistant - ♠ chemical stability and corrosion resistance - ♠ 100% biological compatibility  TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  DLC tweezers are ideally suited for applications in medical, biological and clean room environments, as well as perfect for handling hard / abrasive materials.				
Engineering ESD epoxy coating (polyester + epoxy resins + conductive additives)	ESD-safe material - ● general resistance - ● dispersion - ■ impact-resistant surface - ● elasticity - ■ functional permanent graffiti protection - ● cleanliness  TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  ESD tweezer coating for an enhanced operator comfort				
Industrial PTFE coating	■ abrasion resistance - ■ toughness - ■ chemical corrosion resistance - ● cleanliness - ● heat resistance - ● cryogenic stability <b>TYPICAL APPLICATIONS</b> PTFE-coated tweezers are recommended when specimen material is fragile. It reduces the rate of heat during critical cryo work and reduces the corrosive action of acids and bases on tweezers tips. The PTFE coating also gives some protection of the metal when using with chemical compound.				
Engineering ESD foam grip (PVC foam)	ESD-safe material - ● softness - ● flexibility - ◆ tear resistance - ■ abrasion/wear resistance - ■ chemical resistance  TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  ESD-safe handles, floor and work surface mats. ESD ergonomic tweezer cushion grips for an enhanced operator comfort. Ideal for repetitive handling tasks in specimen preparation, electronics, instrumentation, laboratories and forensics. Especially useful for handling ESD sensitive components or small static items				

# Plastic tweezer materials









	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	MAIN FEATURES & APPLICATIONS
Р	High-performance plastic - Carbon PEEK (polyetheretherketone reinforced with carbon nano)	ESD safe material - ♠ hardness - ■ rigidity - ♠ flexural strength - ♠ wear resistance - ♦ dimension stability - ♠ resistance to chemicals and aggressive agents - ♠ resistance to thermal ageing - ♠ heat capability  **TYPICAL APPLICATIONS**  Handling of components in cleaning/chemical/assembly processes at high temperature (soldering).
F	Engineering plastic - Carbon fiber (PA66/CF30 polyamide 66 reinforced with 30 wt% carbon fibre)	ESD safe material - ■ rigidity - ■ tensile strenght - ■ flexural strength - ■ fatigue resistance - ■ creep resistance - ■ wear and abrasion resistance - ■ chemical resistance - → heat capability <b>TYPICAL APPLICATIONS</b> Handling of sensitive components and devices in electronics assembly and lab applications. Clean room compatible.
V	High performance plastic - PVDF (polyvinylidene fluoride carbon fibre reinforced)	ESD safe material - ● mechanical strength - ● toughness - ■ abrasion resistant - ● high purity - ● chemical resistance - ■ resistant to UV and nuclear radiation (sterilisation) - ◆ heat capability TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  Handling of very scratch - and contamination - sensitive components, cleaning and etching processes. Clean room and medical device approved material.

CF	Engineering plastic - Carbon fiber (PA66/CF30 polyamide 66 reinforced with 30 wt% carbon fibre)	ESD safe material - ■ rigidity - ■ tensile strenght - ■ flexural strength - ■ fatigue resistance - ■ creep resistance - ■ wear and abrasion resistance - ■ chemical resistance - ◆ heat capability TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  Handling of sensitive components and devices in electronics assembly and lab applications. Clean room compatible.
sv	High performance plastic - PVDF (polyvinylidene fluoride carbon fibre reinforced)	ESD safe material -
DG	Engineering plastic - Delrin (POM/GF30 acetal resin reinforced with 30 wt% glass fibre)	tensile strenght -  fatigue resistance -  creep resistance -  wear resistance -  abrasion resistance -  hydrolytic resistance (hot water) -  chemical resistance - insulating     TYPICAL APPLICATIONS     Handling of very scratch sensitive components (ceramic and glass devices, wafers, capillary)

# Ceramic tweezer materials









MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	MAIN FEATURES & APPLICATIONS
Advanced white ceramic (Zirconia Toughened Alumina)	strength - thardness - no open porosity - thard surface - thard surface - the desired wear resistance - the fracture toughness - corrosion resistance - the thermal properties - the temperature stability - electrically insulating TYPICAL APPLICATIONS  Soldering processes, handling of components during thermal and chemical processes. Generally used when very rigid tips are required
ESD advanced black ceramic (Zirconia Toughened Alumina)	ESD-safe material - ● strength - ● hardness - no open porosity - ● hard surface - ◆ abrasion resistance - ◆ wear resistance - ◆ flexural strength - ◆ fracture toughness - ■ corrosion resistance - ● thermal properties - ● temperature stability  **TYPICAL APPLICATIONS**  Handling of EOS/ESD sensitive components, handling of components during thermal, chemical and soldering processes. Generally used when very rigid tips are required