

Electroplating

AURUNA® 568 EF-18 GOLD-SILVER ELECTROLYTE FOR ELECTROFORMING



For More Than 30 Years Used Worldwide for Hollow Jewellery

The gold-silver electrolyte AURUNA® 568 EF-18 stands for decades of Umicore experience in electroforming with mandrels made of wax and metal.

For more than 30 years hollow jewellery has been produced worldwide with AURUNA® 568 EF-18. Among others, renown manufacturers produce creole earrings, pendants, brooches, chains, chain clasps and bangles, but also statues and watch parts with AURUNA® 568 EF-18.

The electrolyte convinces with layer thicknesses of 150 to 200 micrometer, a fine gold content of 18 ct and is easy to maintain. The weight distribution can be monitored within narrow limits very closely.



Advantages

- Gold-silver electrolyte for electroforming
- Suitable for cores made of wax and metal
- Layer thicknesses of 150 to 200 micrometer
- Observance of fineness and weight distribution within narrow limits
- High hardness of about 220 HV

Applications

- Electroforming
- Hollow jewellery

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

| Electrolyte characteristics | |
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| Electrolyte type | Alkaline-cyanide |
| Metal content | 15 g/l Au 3 g/l Ag |
| pH value | 10.0 - 10.2 (at 45 °C) |
| Operating temperature | 45 °C |
| Current density range | 0.6 - 2.0 A/dm² |
| Plating speed | Approx. 60 µm/h at 1.5 A/dm² |
| Anode material | Pt-Ti (Typ PLATINODE® Pt/Ti) |

| Coating characteristics | |
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| Coating | Gold-silver |
| Alloy composition | 77 wt. % Au 23 wt. % Ag |
| Caratage | Approx. 18.5 carats |
| Colour of deposit | Pale yellow |
| Brightness | Semi-bright |
| Hardness of deposit HV 0.015 (Vickers) approx. values | 220 HV |
| Max. coating thickness | Several 100 µm |
| Density of the coating | Approx. 15.8 g/cm ³ |

YOUR CONTACT

Do you have a specific question or would you like a no-obligation quote calculation? Our specialist will be happy to help you with any technical questions you might have.



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