

# CERAMIC POWDERS

Kennametal specializes in the highly flexible production process that yields powders to meet a customer's required specifications!

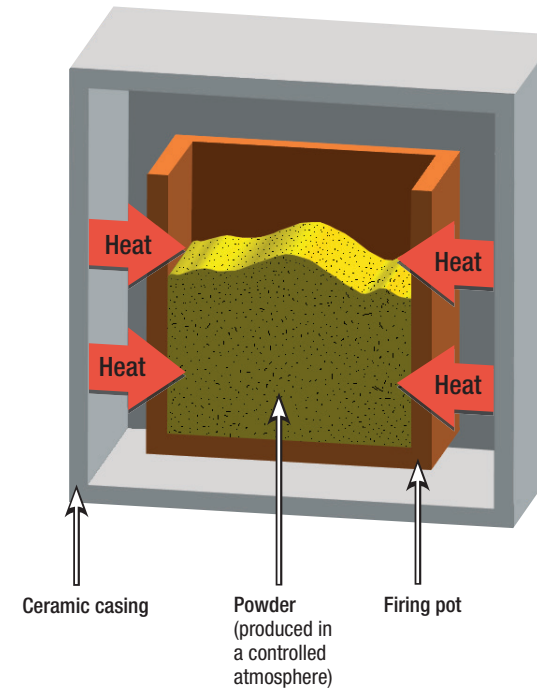
Kennametal has the expertise in the field of non-oxide ceramic powders and shapes.

Our **Center of Competence (CoC)** for powders is in Newport, United Kingdom, and has more than 25 years of experience.



## Non-Oxide Powders — Black and White

Heating  
Temperature up to 2200 °C



### Manufacturing Process of Ceramic Powders

Major raw materials used:

- Boron Nitride (BN)**
- Boric Acid — Melamine
  - Boric Acid — Ammonia

- Titanium Diboride (TiB<sub>2</sub>)**
- Titanium Oxide — Boric Oxide
  - Titanium Oxide — Boron Carbide

- Boron Carbide (B<sub>4</sub>C)**
- Boric Acid — Carbon

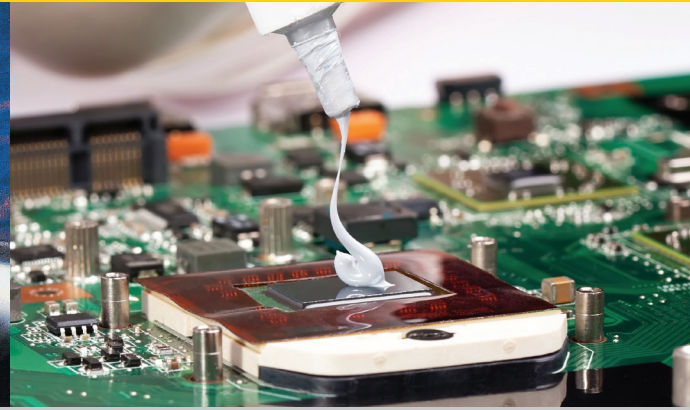
Raw materials are mixed to produce uniform blends, which are reacted at temperatures up to 2200 °C under controlled atmosphere. After milling and final inspection of chemical and physical properties, the powders are packed for shipment.

Kennametal UK has achieved the international quality standard ISO 9001:2008.

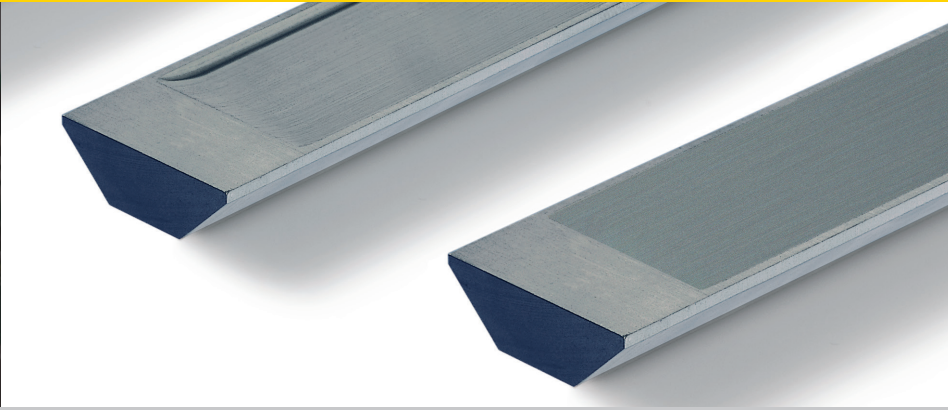
*We use the knowledge gained by manufacturing powders for our own use — and also work closely with our global customers — to produce optimum powders for a specific application.*



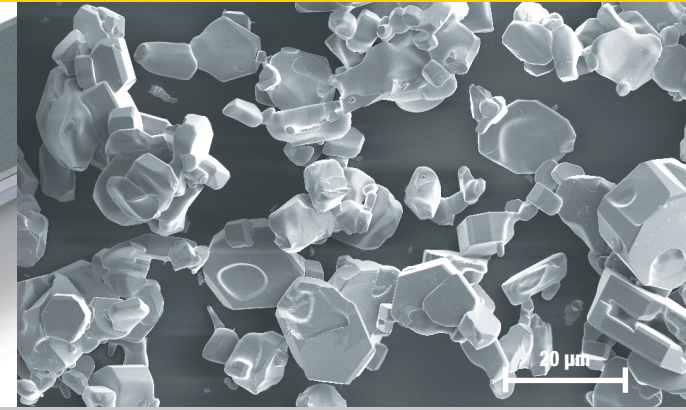
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## Boron Nitride — The White Graphite

### Characteristics

- High electrical resistivity.
- Good thermal conductivity.
- High temperature stability.
- Oxidation-resistant:
  - Up to 850 °C in air.
  - Up to 1400 °C under vacuum.
  - Up to 2200 °C under inert atmosphere.
- High chemical inertness.
- Corrosion resistant against many molten metals.
- Excellent lubricant.
- Non-toxic.

### Applications

- Electrical insulator.
- Release agent.
- High-temperature lubricant.
- Hexagonal BN used to manufacture CBN.
- Additive in cosmetics.
- Filler for silicone and resins to improve thermal conductivity.

Short name	Crystal Structure		Typical Chemical Properties						Typical Physical Properties			
	Structure	Crystal Size µm	0%	C%	B%	Ca%	B2O3	Moisture	BET	TD	D50	D90
M120	Hexagonal	<2	<2	<0.1	>42.5	/	<1.2	<0.7	10~20	0.17~0.3	4~6	<14
B150	Hexagonal	<2	<1.5	<0.1	>42.5	/	0.5~1	<0.7	8~20	0.17~0.3	4~6	10~14
P050	Hexagonal	>2	<1.5	<0.05	>42.5	/	<0.4	0.3~0.4	4~6	0.1~0.2	5~10	10~20
C020	Hexagonal	10	<1.5	<0.03	>42.5	<0.2	<0.5	<0.5	<5	0.3~0.6	15~20	50~70

NOTE: All powders are customizable per individual specifications.

## Titanium Diboride (TiB<sub>2</sub>) — Hard and Conductive

### Characteristics

- High electrical conductivity.
- High chemical inertness.
- Excellent hardness.
- Corrosion resistant against many molten metals.
- Non-toxic.

### Applications

- Hot pressing powder.
- Additive in refractories.
- Major component in intermetallic composites.
- Basic material for armor plates.
- High-performance brake pads.

grade	typical chemical properties (wt %)				typical physical properties			applications
	N (typical)	B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (SOL)	C	moisture	D90 (µm)	BET (m <sup>2</sup> /g)	tap density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	
G5.5	<0.8	<1.5	<0.1	—	<13	<1,5	<2,2	HP-powders

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## Sprays and Paints

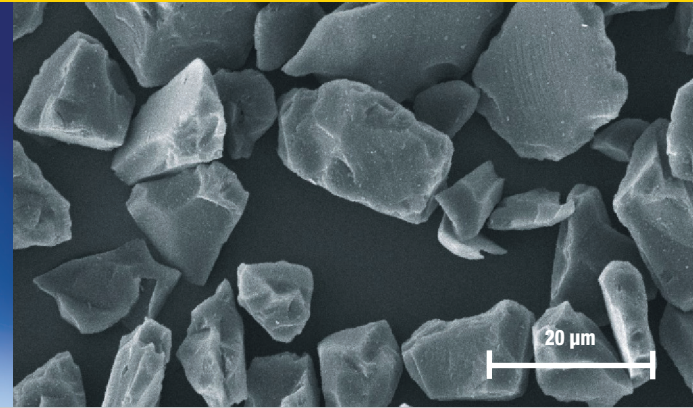
### Applications

- Release agent for the metal and metallizing industry.
- Protective layer for variable applications and for the sintering industry.
- Coating for lower friction and higher chemical inertness.
- Dry lubricant, also in vacuum.





nozzles



## Boron Carbide (B<sub>4</sub>C) — Our Hardest Material

### Characteristics

- Hardest material other than diamonds.
- Low specific weight.
- High neutron absorption.
- High temperature stability.

### Applications

- Abrasive.
- Shotblast nozzles.
- Lightweight personal armor.
- Lapping.

### Typical Chemical Properties

grade	N (typical)	B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (SOL)	C	B	O
RM B <sub>4</sub> C	0,03	0,10	20,91	78,40	0,15



shotblast nozzles

Our standard production program conforms to FEPA:

microgrits	
grit designation	median grain size in µm ds50-value
F230	53.0 +/- 3.0
F240	44.5 +/- 2.0
F280	36.5 +/- 1.5
F320	29.2 +/- 1.5
F360	22.8 +/- 1.5
F400	17.3 +/- 1.0
F500	12.8 +/- 1.0
F600	9.3 +/- 1.0
F800	6.5 +/- 1.0
F1000	4.5 +/- 0.8
F1200	3.0 +/- 0.5
F1500	2.0 +/- 0.4
F2000	1.2 +/- 0.3



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