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The no-problem core



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*"Cheap core is just about the most expensive thing you can put in a boat"*

John McConaghy - McConaghy Yachts

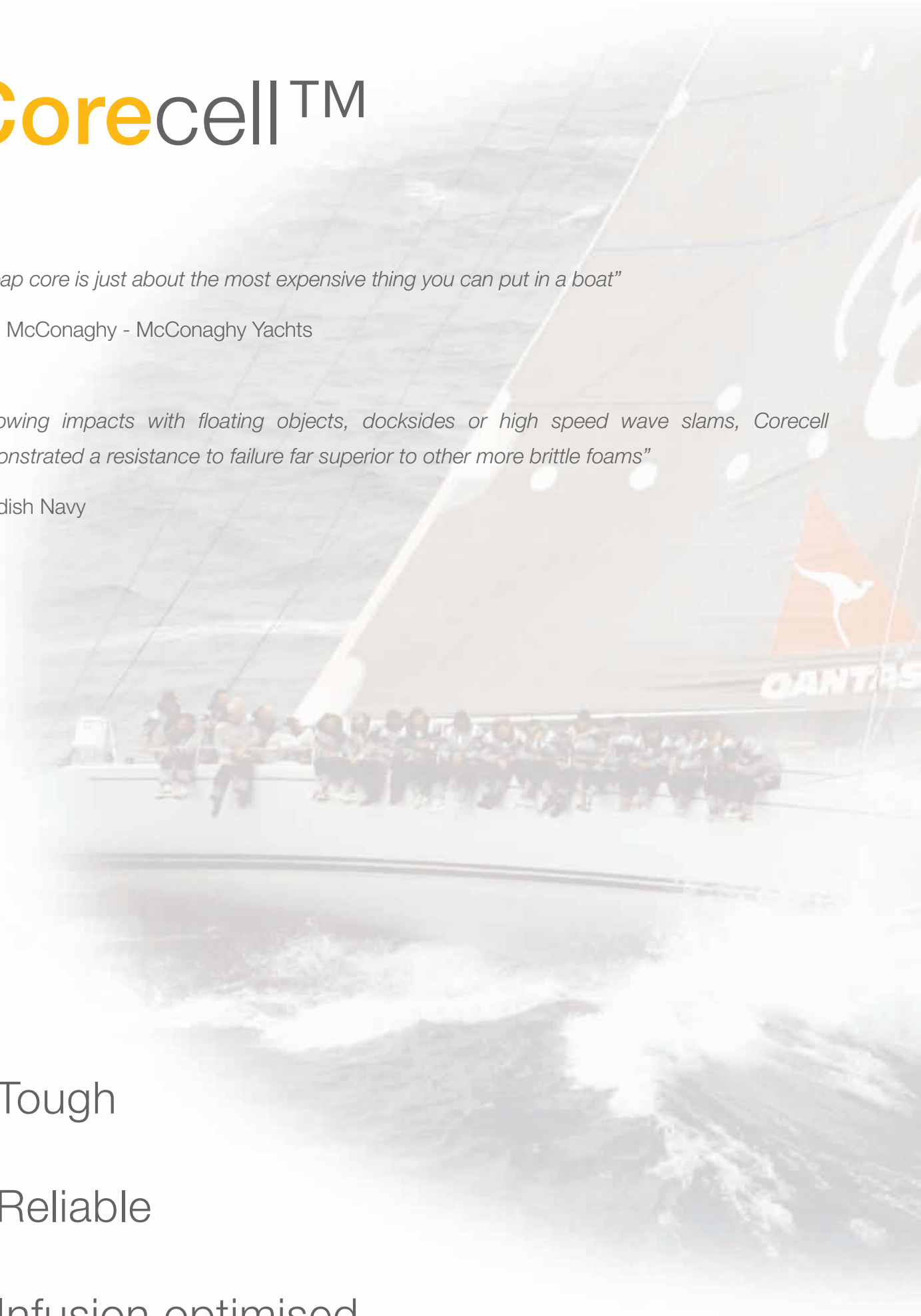
*"Following impacts with floating objects, docksides or high speed wave slams, Corecell demonstrated a resistance to failure far superior to other more brittle foams"*

Swedish Navy

■ Tough

■ Reliable

■ Infusion optimised



# Optimised for the marine industry

**Corecell** is the first structural core designed specifically for marine applications. It's styrene acrylonitrile (SAN) polymer base gives it unique processing and in-service properties.

Tough

Reliable

Stable

## **Corecell A-Foam**

For hulls and other dynamically loaded structures

## **Corecell P-Foam**

Heat-stabilised A-Foam for prepreg processing

## **Corecell T-Foam**

For superstructures, decks and interiors

## **Corecell S-Foam**

Specialist core for sub sea applications

**Corecell structural cores successfully meet the needs of the professional boat builder and their customers**



# The Corecell™ Advantage



## **New**

Corecell's unique styrene acrylonitrile (SAN) chemistry has been developed in the last fifteen years to answer the shortcomings of older core materials.

## **Tough**

Exceptional resistance to impact, dynamic loading and fatigue.

## **Simple**

Easy to use, resistant to handling damage and easy to machine.

## **Stable**

Unaffected by water and highly resistant to fuel oil and hydraulic fluid.

## **Reliable**

Minimal density variation ensures predictable laminate strength.

## **Infusion optimized**

Available in all common infusion formats. Special knife-cut Corecell infuses quickly and uses up to 50% less resin than other foam cores.

## **Infusion ready**

Complete Corecell infusion technical support package from concept through to testing of completed laminate.

## **No outgassing problems**

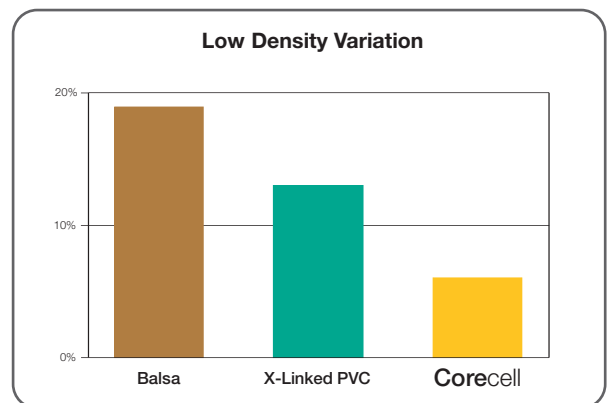
Corecell does not suffer from the problems of laminate outgassing or the associated cure inhibition.

## **Compatible**

Suitable for use with all polyesters, vinylesters and epoxy resins

## **Highly thermoformable**

Corecell has exceptional thermoforming characteristics



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# Corecell™ A-Foam

# Corecell™ P-Foam



## The Ultra Tough Foams

- Extremely resistant to impact, slamming and fatigue
- The safest core available
- Superior styrene and heat resistance to linear PVC foam

## Properties of A-Foam and P-Foam

Far higher shear elongation than balsa or cross-linked PVC. This high shear elongation is directly related to toughness.

## Shock, impact and slamming resistance

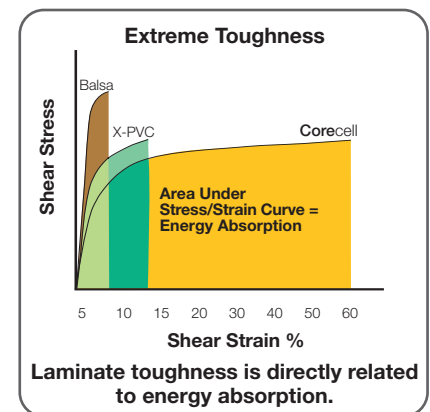
Corecell A-Foam and P-Foam are specifically designed for dynamic loading. No other core material is as safe in a marine environment.

## High styrene and temperature resistance

Corecell A-Foam and P-Foam have excellent styrene and heat resistance. This sets Corecell apart from other ductile core materials.

## Proven

Approved by Lloyds, DNV, ABS and GL and tested in the world's toughest yacht races.



## Impact Testing

### Single Skin Fibreglass



- Serious structural damage
- Punctured
- Heavy

### X-Linked PVC Foam



- Serious structural damage
- Core shear failure
- Skin delamination

### Balsa



- Total structural failure
- Core shear failure
- Damage not visible on surface
- Heavy

### Corecell



- No structural damage
- No core shear failure
- Easily repaired
- Lightweight

# Hulls and dynamically loaded structures

# Corecell™ T-Foam



## The Stable Foam

- Ideal replacement for cross-linked PVC and balsa
- Excellent mechanical properties
- 120°C Processing
- Outstanding chemical resistance

## Properties of T-Foam

### Tough

High mechanical toughness compared to cross-linked PVC and balsa.

### Thermal Performance

**Corecell** T-Foam has remarkable thermal stability, reducing print-through and maintaining mechanical properties at high temperatures.

### Process stability

Ideal for use with prepregs and in liquid infusion processes where high resin temperatures are common.

### Compatible

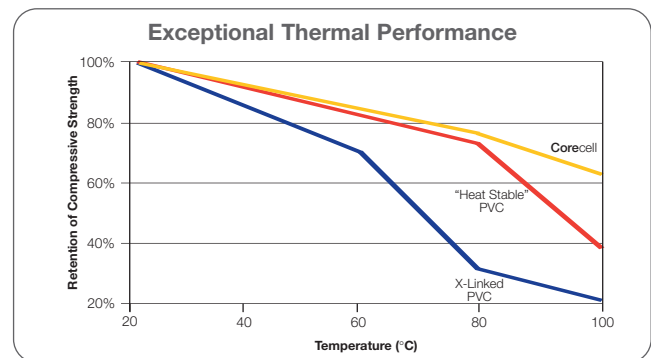
**Corecell** T-Foam is suitable for any manufacturing process common to PVC and balsa cores.

### Infusion optimised

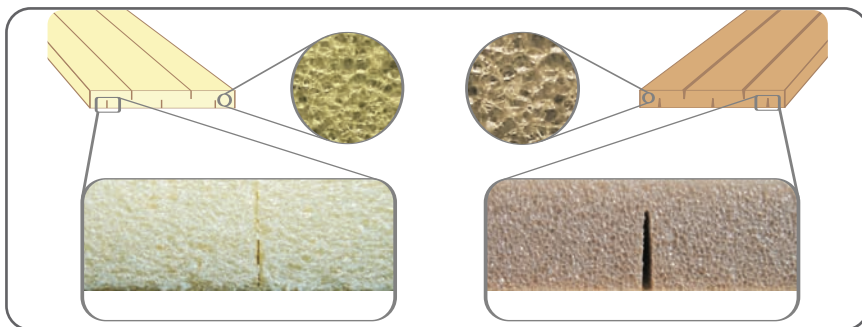
The low resin absorption characteristics of **Corecell** and its unique knife cut formats make **Corecell** T-Foam a great choice for higher performing infusions, lower resin cost and lower weight than other structural core materials.

### Trusted

Approved by GL and is in the process of DNV approval.



**Corecell** T-Foam vs Cross-Linked PVC. **Corecell**'s knife cut infusion channels and smaller cell size minimises resin uptake reducing panel weight and cost.



## Decks, superstructures and interiors

# Corecell™ S-Foam



## The foam for high pressure buoyancy

- High hydrostatic crush strength and water resistance
- Ultra-fine cell size
- Lower density than a syntactic resin film

## Properties of S-Foam

### Designed for sub-sea applications

Corecell S-Foam can withstand the crushing forces at depths of over 1300 metres and does not absorb water.

### Manufacturing simplicity

Corecell S-Foams ultra fine cell size gives it excellent machining capabilities as well as minimising resin absorption. Complex shapes can be created using a variety of milling, routing, sawing and drilling techniques without risk of breakage.

### Strong

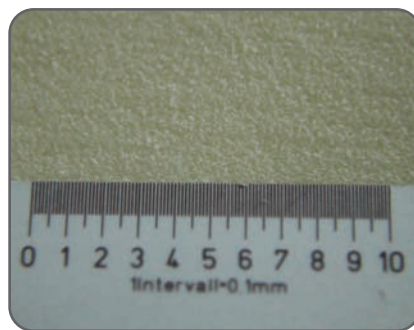
S-Foam's unique properties allow it to replace other materials such as plywood when creating high strength inserts for through bolting in sandwich structures.

### Low density

Available at lower densities than resin blended syntactic products. Standard products range from 150 kg/m<sup>3</sup> to over 300 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

### Reliable

As with all Corecell materials, consistent density is assured.



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