# ULTRA-FLEX® Low Load Metal Seal

# For Semiconductor, High Purity, Tight Sealing Applications



**Replacement For Perfluoroelastomer O-Rings** 

- Designed for semiconductor, high purity, tight sealing applications
- Tighter seal: < 1x10<sup>-9</sup> cc/sec He
- Reduced contamination
- 90% lower load than standard metal seals
- Compatible with aggressive semiconductor media including plasmas
- Good for applications up to 300°C
- No out-gassing
- Equipment sealing surfaces stay clean
- Near universal coverage with ONE style

# **Operating Principle**

The ULTRA-FLEX<sup>®</sup> seal relies on the <u>deformation of</u> <u>the material at the Delta</u> under compression to fill in micro-surface irregularities. The deformation of the soft material layer is plastic (permanent).

Load of the aluminum jacketed seals are 100 - 200 lbs/circumferential inch.

The seal rebounds 10%-15% even after high temperature exposure.

## Status:

- International patents pending
- Aluminum design complete
- Beta testing
- Prototyping non-round seals





Seal After Usage



# Comparison of Leakage Rates Perfluoroelastomer vs ULTRA-FLEX®



- Tighter seal over broader range of temperature
- 100 to 10,000 times tighter than perfluoroelastomer seals



Advanced, non-linear FEA software shows the operating principle of the ULTRA-FLEX<sup>®</sup> seal.

**Key Attributes:** 

- Deformation of the delta sealing region
- Decoupling of the inner spring layer and the soft outer jacket

### **Applications**

#### Wet Applications (Lithography, Etch Stripping, Cleaning)

- Drain seals
- Seals for chemical containers
- Seals for filters/connectors

#### Dry Plasma (Etching, Ashing, PECVD/APCVD), Dry Gas (PVD, Metal CVD)

- Chamber lid
- Lamp seal
- Exhaust valve
- Gas inlet/outlet
- Window seal
- Centering ring
- Fittings/connectors

#### Dry Thermal (LPCVD, Lamp Anneal, Oxidization Diffusion)

- Quartz chamber seal
- Fittings
- Centering ring



RTP System



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