Tailor-made solutions for the chemical & petrochemical industry.

Top quality refractory materials.





Specialist for top technology in high temperature.

Quality with an optimum price-performance ratio.



The Rath sales team

Rath offers the ideal combination of tradition and innovation. The result: optimum refractory solutions for a wide range of applications. All items in our broad product portfolio are manufactured in-house. With carefully selected materials and precision processing techniques, we can guarantee top quality.

The Rath sales teams are focussed on the sector and familiar with its specific requirements; our technical offices provide the necessary engineering and assembly know-how. This means we can offer our customers individual, complete refractory solutions with an optimal price-performance ratio.

Greater efficiency in chemical production.



Convection zone panel (petrochemical cracker)

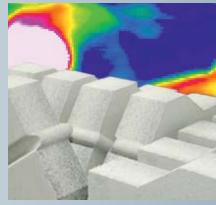
Our products guarantee energy savings and help to protect the environment at a time of rising energy costs and increased environmental awareness. For the chemical, petrochemical and hydrocarbon industry in particular, this is a decision factor.

The industry typically operates a high number of ovens, furnaces and reactors interactive. As a result it is absolutely essential to plan refractory life and maintenance schedules. With its clear and targeted focus on quality and innovative solutions, Rath is the ideal refractory solutions partner for the chemical industry.

Always expect us to be one step ahead.

The chemical, petrochemical and hydrocarbon industry is a very complex industry which typically operates equipment not only at high temperatures. However despite the fact that temperatures may not be the ultimate challenge, the additional chemical and physical wear and tear requires production units to utilize high-performing refractory.

Rath supplies refractory materials for any equipment whether it is part of a refinery, a fertilizer plant or a chemical complex.



Korrath bricks during production

Precision is the order of the day.

Rath has a number of engineering departments where working drawings are produced for refractory linings destined for a range of applications. The complexity of thermal, chemical and physical attack onto refractory linings means in-depth knowledge and great experience are required in construction.



Fluidized bed reactor

Refractory solutions in all shapes and forms. Just ask.



Radiation zone (petrochemical cracker)

Rath is a global partner to the chemical, petrochemical and hydrocarbon industry providing unique refractory

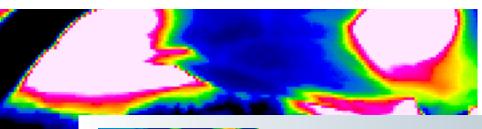
- Crackers
- Reformers
- Synthesis gas reactors
- Hydrogen, carbon monoxide, methanol and ammonia production
- Gasification reactors for liquids and solids
- Incinerators for gases, liquids, slurries and solids
- Sulphur recovery units (SRU) Claus reactors
- Fired heaters, CO boilers, cyclones, hot lines, etc.
- Petroleum coke calciners
- Carbon black reactors and dryers
- Titanium dioxide pigment reactors and many others

We're eager to solve your problems.



Convection zone tube shield (petrochemical cracker)

Not only high temperatures but also aggressive and reducing atmospheres, acids, slag, scale, dust, very high gas velocities as well as mechanical wear characterise the refractory challenge in this industry. Strategically Rath has chosen to supply highest quality products. We support our customers with a lining that will not only fulfil the required job, but provide the most cost effective refractory system.





Carath - castable



Kerform - vacuum formed shape

We're happy if things start to heat up.

Equipment used in the chemical, petrochemical & hydrocarbon industry requires primarily good refractory insulation without direct contact to chemically aggressive substances. Rath provides a wide product portfolio of insulating materials including Alsitra & Altra mats and modules, Carath insulating castables, Porrath insulation fire bricks and Kerform vacuumformed boards and shapes to ensure insulation at every temperature i.e. for crackers, reformers, combustion chambers, etc.

Altra mats and modules not only provide highest insulation but also provide very good resistance against reducing atmospheres.

Chemically challenging applications require typically Korrath bricks or Carath castables based on high purity corundum. Zirconia, chromium or silicon carbide may be added to achieve special properties.

Dense Bricks*

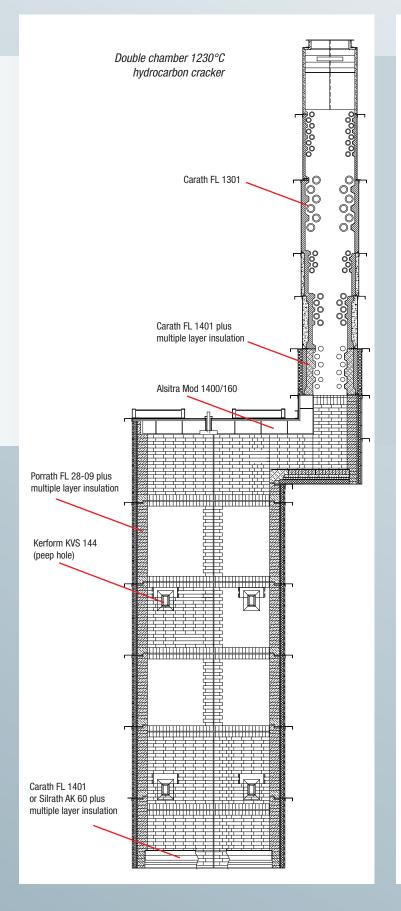
Name	Acrath S 1-t	Suprath A 30-t	Suprath T 501	Durrath HSC	Durrath HD 45	Silrath AK 60 C	Alurath SP 78	Alurath B 85 C
Raw material	Acid-resistent fireclay	Fireclay	Fireclay sillimanite	Fireclay	Low iron fireclay	Andalusite	Alumina spinel	Bauxite
Bulk density [g/cm ³]	2.3	2.05	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.9	2.8
Cold crushing strength [MPa]	≥ 110	≥ 30	≥ 70	≥ 80	100	≥ 100	90	≥ 120
Porosity [Vol%]	≤ 12.5	≤ 20	≤ 16	≤ 12	8	≤ 14	18	≤ 20
Thermal shock resistance [n]	6	> 25	≥ 50	> 40	3	≥ 120	2	≥ 25
Chemical analysis [%]								
Al_2O_3	46	≥ 30	50	37	47	61	79	85
SiO ₂	-	53	46	59	48	35	-	11
Fe ₂ O ₃	< 1.5	≤ 2.1	≤ 1.5	1.5	< 1.4	≤ 1	< 0.5	≤ 1.3

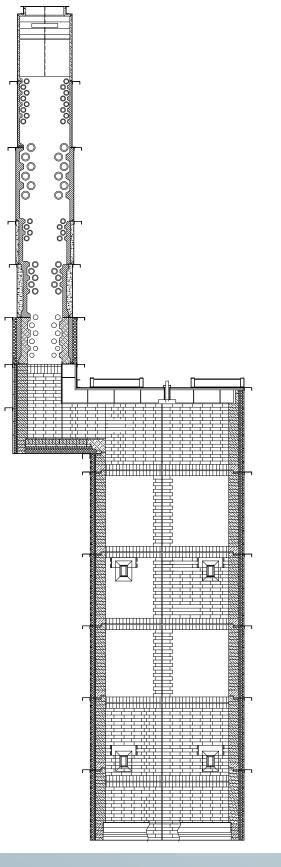
Porrath - insulating fire bricks*

Name	Porrath FL 900	Porrath FL 24-06	Porrath FL 26-08	Porrath FL 28-09	Porrath FL 30-11	Porrath FL 32-12	Porrath FL 33-13	Porrath FL 34-15
Raw material	Calcium- aluminium silicate	Aluminium silicate	Aluminium silicate	Aluminium silicate	Aluminium silicate	lightweight aggregates	Bubble alumina	Bubble alumina
Classification temperature [°C]	900	1350	1430	1540	1650	1760	1800	1840
Bulk density [g/cm ³]	0.45	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.1	1.25	1.3	1.5
Cold crushing strength [MPa]	1	1.2	3.5	4	5	6	12	12
Chemical analysis [%]								
Al_2O_3	15	37	52	63	74	87	91	99
SiO ₂	60	56	44	33	25	12	8	0.1
Fe ₂ O ₃	4	1.9	1.1	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.04

^{*}All tables in this brochure contain only an extract of the wide Rath product range.

Complete product portfolio guarantees perfection







Kerform KVS 125 tube seal

Reformers and crackers

For several decades Rath has been a partner to the chemical, petrochemical and hydrocarbon industry, when it comes to reformers and crackers. This industry but also the servicing OEMs appreciate the fact that Rath is manufacturing all refractory products in house, which are required to insulate these units.



Convection zone of cracker



Peep hole

Radiation zone

Depending on temperature, gas velocity, flame impingement and ambient requirements as well as expected maintenance-free operation, we select the lining for the radiation zone. Porrath insulation fire bricks and Alsitra mats and modules provide the required insulation.

Convection zone

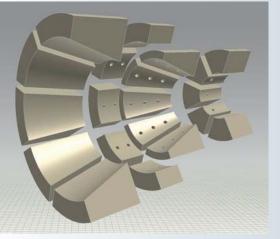
Typically the convection zone is lined with Carath insulating castables. The convection zone is divided into temperature segments, which each utilize a multiple layer system targeting optimum insulation and hence lowest energy loss.

Ultra light-weight refractory materials

		High te	emperature ins	sulation wool	Vacuum-formed products				
Name	Calsitra Mat CMS 1100	Alsitra Mat 1300	Alsitra Mat 1400	Altra Mat 72	Altra Mat 97	Kerform KVF 121	Kerform KVS 144	Kerform KVS 164	Altraform KVR 174/502
Raw material	Alkaline earth silicate	Aluminium silicate	Aluminium silicate	Aluminium silicate	Alumininium silicate	Aluminium silicate wool	Aluminium silicate wool	Aluminium silicate wool/ Alumina wool	Alumina wool
Classification temperature [°C]	1100	1300	1400	1650	1500	1250	1400	1600	1700
Bulk density [kg/m ³]	96-130	96-160	96-160	60-120	60-100	> 160	300	300	500
Fibre density [g/m ³]	-	2.6	2.6	3.3	3.3	-	-	-	-
Chemical analysis [%]									
Al_2O_3	1	48	54	72	97	46	55	65	98
SiO ₂	64	52	46	28	3	53	44	34	2
Ca0	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

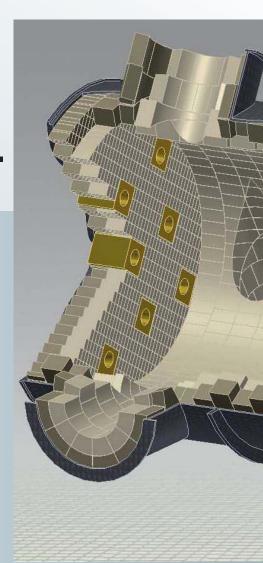
Highest performance under extreme conditions.

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Korrath K 99 Choke

Hard carbon is manufactured by means of the so-called Tread reactor. Extreme temperatures beyond 1900°C, reducing atmosphere, quenching with water and gas velocities beyond the speed of sound require highest quality refractory materials such as high performance mullite or corundum bricks type Korrath and high precision castables type Carath. These Tread reactors also require perfectly shaped bricks to deal with highest gas velocities and pressure differences. Rath choke systems use surface grinded bricks to ensure perfect fit and as a result longest life. Rath carbon black chokes are made from Korrath corundum and chromium corundum bricks.



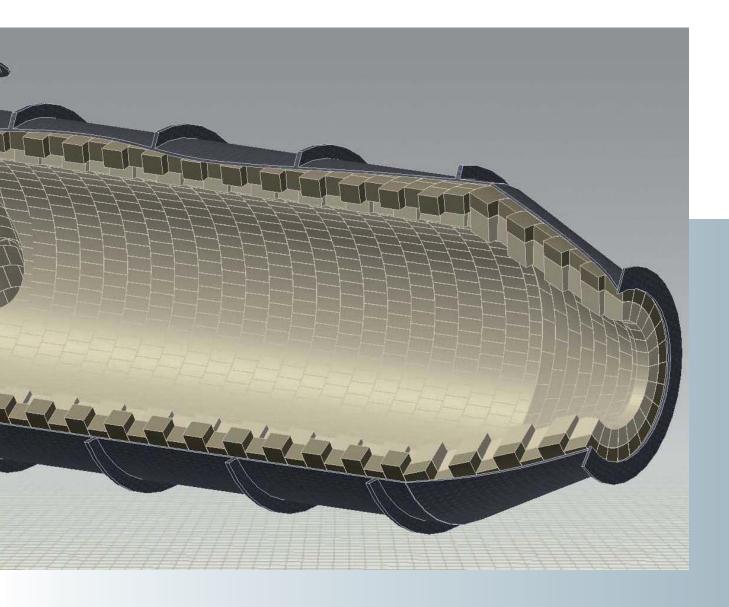
Carbon black reactor

Soft carbon black

The Carcass reactor is used to produce soft carbon black. Horizontal and vertical designs are in service, which each create new refractory challenges. These reactors operate at slightly lower temperatures than Tread reactors; however Carcass reactors pose a challenge due to size and the use of alkali additives. Temperatures usually don't exceed 1600°C and permit the use of mullite bonded corundum bricks such as Korrath.

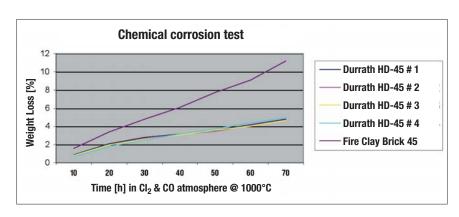
Korrath - corundum bricks

Name	Korrath K 60	Korrath K 70	Korrath K 80	Korrath K 701 Cr30	Korrath K 853 Cr10	Korrath K 901	Korrath K 99	Korrath K 99 E
Raw material	Fireclay corundum	mullite contained fireclay, corundum	mullite contained fireclay, corundum	Alumina	Alumina	Alumina	Tabular alumina	Corundum
Bulk density [g/cm ³]	2.5	2.6	2.85	3.5	3.4	3.0	3.15	3.4
Cold crushing strength [MPa]	≥ 60	≥ 60	70	100	> 150	80	90	90
Porosity [Vol%]	≤ 20	≤ 19	≤ 17	16.5	14	16	16	13
Thermal shock resistance [n]	≥ 20	≥ 15	> 100	49	16	110	17	8
Chemical analysis [%]								
Al ₂ 0 ₃	61	71	84	71	84	90	99	99
SiO ₂	35	-	14	-	1.25	9	0.1	0.1
Fe ₂ 0 ₃	≤ 1.4	≤ 1.2	< 0.5	0.19	0.15	0.15	0.1	0.1



Chlorinators for titanium tetrachloride production

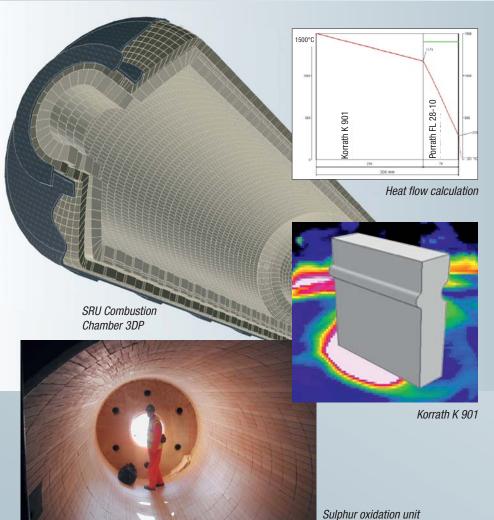
High quality titanium dioxide pigment is produced by means of the chloride process, i.e. a suitable ore blend is mixed with a source of carbon and the two are reacted in a fluidized bed with chlorine at approximately 700 to 1200° C. Titanium tetrachloride, $TiCl_4$, is formed in an exothermic reaction. Oxidation of the $TiCl_4$ to TiO_2 follows in a second stage. Similar chlorinators may be used to produce titanium sponge.





Durrath HD-45: high chemical resistance, high mechanical wear resistance, lowest open porosity (6 %), highest thermal capability

Excellence in every aspect. For your convenience.



Equipment used in the chemical industry is partially similar to equipment used in petrochemical and hydrocarbon facilities. This applies especially to reformers and crackers, but quite a number of other vessels as well. Rath services producers of monomers, polymers, methanol and ammonia (fertilizer). However Rath also provides refractory solutions to periphery equipment such as combustion chambers, gasification, incinerators and boilers.

Sulphur recovery unit – Claus reactor

The Claus reactor as part of the SRU (sulphur recovery unit) is just one example where high performance bricks are used. Typically mullite bonded bricks based on white fused corundum provide long and maintenance free operation.

Carath - unshaped refractories/precast shapes

	Dense castables	Ultra-low & low-cement castables			Gunning castables	Insulating refractory castables				
Name	Carath D 1800	Carath LC 1400	Carath LC 1650	Carath ULC 1804	Carathgun FL 1400	Carath FL 1051	Carath FL 1301	Carath FL 1401	Carath FL 1800	
Raw material	Tabular	high mullite	Tabular	Corundum	light weight	lightweight	alumina silicate	lightweight	Bubble	
	alumina	fireclay	alumina		fireclay	fireclay	hollow spheres	fireclay	alumina	
Material required [kg/m ³]	2930	2300	3000	3100	1450	970	850	1400	1400	
Cold crushing strength [MPa]	90	100	100	70	24	2.5	9	25	8	
Service temperature [°C]	1800	1400	1650	1800	1400	1050	1300	1400	1800	
Chemical analysis [%]										
Al ₂ O ₃	96	50	93	98.5	55	34	56	45	94	
SiO ₂	0.4	41	4	-	30	38	27	35	0.3	
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.2	1.3	0.1	0.1	< 2.0	8	< 1	3	0.3	

Production in our own factories.

There is one very special feature of Rath: we can always fully guarantee the quality of our highly refractory products, as we manufacture them all ourselves.

State-of-the-art production processes are used in our plants in Europe and the USA. We constantly adapt these processes in line with technical and technological developments as we strive to provide you with top quality.

Our approach benefits our customers: high quality products ensure operational safety and reliability over a long period of time. This means less repairs, less breaks in production and lower costs.



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Rath meets all ISO criteria.

Quality in production can be measured – with ISO 9001/9002. All companies in the Rath Group are certified according to the strict criteria for this standard. We are doing everything to build constantly on this quality standard.

Our products undergo rigorous testing in our own company laboratories. We also regularly have externally government-authorized recognised test centres check material characteristics.

Our customers can rest assured that all our products are up to date – and provide, in practice, everything that we have promised.

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