**WAGNER METERS**

**THE RAPID RH L6 DATAGRABBER AUTOMATES CONCRETE SLAB RH READINGS**

What would you do with your extra free time if your concrete slab RH readings were being collected and stored automatically? And what if this automated process also gave you significantly more data points to understand your slab’s drying process? These questions can be answered with the Rapid RH L6 testing system, innovated with automated data gathering, superior responsiveness, and an unbroken data stream from the sensor to the final report. Up to this point, you had to be physically present at the concrete slab to take an RH reading manually. Let’s be real, how many times did you actually have time for that? One or two times a month? And, if you could collect more data points than just two a month, we believe you’d have more confidence in your understanding of the slab drying time. That’s why Rapid RH L6 is giving you those extra data points with automated “set it and forget it” technology while you’re out using that extra time to quote the next job or plan that overdue vacation. We call it a leading-edge innovation. We’ll understand, however, if you call it automated luxury. The DataGrabber with Bluetooth, a self-contained device designed to fit inside an L6 Smart Sensor, will periodically engage the sensor to store time-stamped concrete temperature and RH readings according to the time interval set by the user. The DataGrabber with Bluetooth connects directly to the free DataMaster L6 app for a wireless download of sensor readings and programming of sensor reading intervals. A smaller version of the DataGrabber is configured by contacting the Rapid RH Total Reader to connect with the DataMaster L6 app. While connected with either version of the DataGrabber, you can also download all previous time-stamped concrete RH and temperature readings directly from the L6 Smart Sensor.

**VERSATRIM**

**VERSACAP STAIR SOLUTIONS**

Many companies have successfully created a tread system for your LVT/Vinyl staircases. However, how many of those companies have used the actual flooring to create a solution that can be modified to fit almost any staircase? Versacap is the latest stair solution offered exclusively by Versatrim. This stair solution is designed to create an edge for your LVT/Vinyl staircase using the manufacturers flooring. The greatest benefits to using our caps is that they are exact match because we use the actual floor. By using the manufacturers floor it allows for a flush mount or usage of the click system, you have the benefit of the same wear layer and core material as the rest of your installation and it is easy to use the caps to create left or right returns when needed. Versatrim provides user friendly installation instructions that include how to miter returns. We have successfully tested 33 collections offered by 20 different manufactures in various types of flooring. We are testing new floors daily.
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UZIN UTZ

UZIN NC 150 LEVELING COMPOUND

UZIN NC 150 Leveling Compound is a Portland cement-based leveling and smoothing compound for depths up to 1”. NC 150 works well for producing level, flat surfaces with high absorbency for standard preparation and cost-effective applications in areas with normal wear demands.

STAUF USA

STAUF R701, SUITABLE FOR ALMOST ALL TYPES OF FLOOR COVERING

Stauf’s R701 is our toughest and strongest 2 component urethane on the market today. It comes in pre-measured containers. Simply add B to A, and you have resolved every moisture issue involved with any flooring install… including indoor, outdoor, and even underwater. Because of its ability to withstand the harshest of environments, it is ideal for high moisture, high humidity and problematic floors due to excessive moisture. While R701 is not a moisture barrier, it has no limitations with regards to RH or PH.

ROPPE CORPORATION

ROPPE LAUNCHES RUBBER STAIR TREADS WITH DUPONT™ KEVLAR®

Roppe Rubber Stair Treads with Kevlar® are engineered to resist damage from wear and abuse, and perform far longer than other rubber treads. They are the first and only resilient treads to incorporate DuPont™ Kevlar®, an innovative, lightweight material – also found in ballistic body armor. The breakthrough technology of Roppe Rubber Stair Treads with Kevlar® offers a solution to the problem of shredding – a peeling of the stair tread’s nose that can create aesthetic and safety concerns, and require costly, disruptive stair tread repair or replacement. Available in eight profiles and 134 color options – 70 solid, 32 Symmetry and 32 ReNew – Roppe Rubber Stair Treads with Kevlar® are 100% recyclable and fully conform to industry safety, sustainability and performance standards. “The durability of stair treads is constantly being tested. We set out to create a vulcanized rubber stair tread that would last longer, perform better and bring higher value,” said Bart Rogers, vp of sales and marketing for Roppe Holding Company (RHC). “By incorporating Kevlar® fibers, Roppe Rubber Stair Treads with Kevlar® will look and perform like new not just for a few years, but for decades. The 25-year warranty attests to our confidence in their longevity. For facilities, this product represents a major advancement in operational efficiency and performance.” Roppe Rubber Stair Treads with Kevlar® have been tested over thousands of hours in the lab and field. The company’s engineers worked for years to meet the scientific challenge of reinforcing rubber stair treads with Kevlar®, in which Kevlar® fibers are interwoven consistently throughout the rubber substrate, signify a true technological innovation for the industry,” said Rahul Dhavalikar, RHC chief polymer chemist. “We chose Kevlar® because none of the other materials we tested – from steel to carbon and many more – produced the same high levels of durability, flexibility and resilience. Roppe Rubber Stair Treads with Kevlar® meet ASTM F2169, Type TS performance specifications, as well as the FloorScore® indoor air quality certification standard. They have also achieved NSF 332 Platinum resilient flooring sustainability certification, meet CHPS Criteria for environmentally sustainable schools, are free of Red List chemicals, plus are recyclable through Roppe’s IMPACT program.
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ROBERTS

DUAL EXPANSION JOINT SPACER FOR VINYL, LAMINATE AND HARDWOOD FLOORING

The ROBERTS® Dual Expansion Joint Spacers (#10-36) have been specifically designed to meet the demanding needs of today’s flooring installer. The patent pending multi-sided design of these unique spacers offers a simple solution for expansion joints across multiple flooring installations including luxury vinyl, laminate and hardwood flooring and can be used for both floating or glued down installations. The 1/4” edge is perfect for maintaining the required expansions joints for luxury vinyl plank installations while the 1/2” edge is for engineered wood floors expansion joints. When standing upright, this spacer can also provide a 1” gap for installing thresholds. These versatile Expansion Joint Spacers are self-bracing so they won’t tip over during installation and come 30 per pack. The Patent Pending ROBERTS Dual Expansion Joint Spacers are the only spacers you’ll need for your floating and glue down vinyl, laminate and hardwood flooring jobs.

MOHAWK GROUP

MOHAWK INTRO ECOFLEX AIR CARPET TILE

Mohawk Group’s EcoFlex AIR is the next evolution in cushion-backed carpet tile, offering substantial moisture management, sound reduction and enhanced comfort under foot. Tiles manufactured on EcoFlex AIR are impervious to moisture damage from spills and water extraction cleaning. In most cases, no moisture testing is required prior to installation of the carpet tile. The technology works by allowing subfloor moisture vapor to flow through the backing and escape from the seams. EcoFlex AIR provides permanent tile dimensional stability and carpet tiles on this backing absorb approximately 25% of ambient sound to create quieter commercial environments. EcoFlex AIR is also constructed to perform. The backing features superior tuft bind that is highly resistant to edge ravel. EcoFlex AIR also reduces the risk of severe injury in the event of a slip or fall. Red List-free EcoFlex AIR incorporates an average of 50% recycled content (pre- and post-consumer) by total product weight. Its PET cushion layer contains a minimum of 90% post-consumer recycled content and contains no plasticizers. EcoFlex AIR with attached cushion is available as an option on all Mohawk Group carpet tile orders that meet square-yardage minimums.
LEISTER

NEW CORDLESS GROOVING MACHINE FROM LEISTER

Introducing Leister’s GROOVER 500-LP; the new, cordless grooving machine that uses a general-purpose milling cutter to mill grooves for weld seams and grouts when laying resilient, plastic floor coverings (PVC, PE, PUR) and natural materials (linoleum, rubber). The cordless drive eliminates tedious searching for electric outlets and the need to carry cable reels or extension cords, reducing the risk of tripping over or running out of cord. In addition, it makes switching from one room to another uncomplicated and significantly quicker. Lastly, the groover is equipped with two, rapid charging batteries that provide virtually no down time, enabling the fastest and most efficient installation. GROOVER 500-LP is suited for a variety of small and large floor covering surfaces such as gymnasiums, school halls, nursery schools and other public buildings. The sensing roller is designed to maintain a constant groove depth (selectable depth range from 0 - 6 mm or 0 - 0.236 in.) on both even and uneven floors. GROOVER 500-LP’s practical side stop enables grooving along a guide rail and the angled dust tube allows the machine to cut grooves along walls or other objects as close as 25 mm (0.984 in.).

H.B. FULLER/TEC

TEC® LEVEL SET® 500 HF SELF-LEVELING UNDERLAYMENT

Introducing TEC® Level Set® 500 HF Self-Leveling Underlayment. No other product flows faster or provides a smoother surface. The resulting surface is so smooth, you can get up to 20% more coverage from your adhesives*. In addition, no sanding or skim coating needed – cutting labor costs by up to 66%. The product is very easy to mix and can be poured or pumped. It is easily featheredged to adjoining elevations. It is walkable in 2-3 hours, and moisture-sensitive flooring can be installed in 15 hours, while ceramic tile can be installed in 2-3 hours. It is compatible with all types of floor covering - wood, vinyl planks & sheet goods, linoleum, rubber, ceramic LFT, VCT etc. Contractors who have used the product state that it flows and mixes better than their current brand. They love the ease of application and that you don’t have to sand or do additional prep once the product has cured. Coming soon to your area. For questions, call 1-800-TEC-9002. Visit TECspecialty.com for our full line of products.

*Results may vary depending on adhesive and substrate
GCP APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES

KOVARA® FLOOR MOISTURE BARRIERS DESIGNED TO PROTECT FLOOR COVERINGS

GCP Applied Technologies’ KOVARA® floor moisture barriers, formerly known under the brand name VERSASHIELD®, are a portfolio of sheet membranes installed on the concrete slab before installation of floor coverings, such as carpet tile, LVT, sheet vinyl, ceramic tile and more. KOVARA® membranes are designed to protect floor coverings, as well as their adhesives, from staining, warping, degradation and mold. With thousands of installations performing in low and high-traffic environments, such as hospitals, schools, retail stores and commercial buildings KOVARA® membranes have a long track record of success. The KOVARA® line is expanding with the addition of the new KOVARA® AB 300 membrane, a patent-pending, self-adhered moisture barrier. The new product is suitable for use up to 99.5% relative humidity and is designed to bond directly to the concrete subfloor with its specially formulated moisture- and alkaline-resistant adhesive. The unique adhesive bond accelerates installation of the membrane, especially when heavy rolling loads and heavy foot traffic are expected. The new product joins KOVARA® 95 and KOVARA® MBX flooring underlayments that have been proven in the field for over 10 years. Like all KOVARA® moisture barriers, the new KOVARA® AB300 moisture barrier helps accelerate project timelines, features simple installation, reduced labor costs and speeds your clients back into business.

CAPRI COLLECTIONS

CAPRI COLLECTION UNVEILS RE-TIRE MEDLEY

Capri Collection’s Re-Tire Medley mixes it up with unique blends of post-consumer and post-industrial recycled rubber products and cork dust. The nuances of the cork content add textural variations and interest to the recycled rubber category. Like all of Capri’s Re-Tire recycled rubber, Medley is available in a variety of thicknesses, from 3.2mm to 12mm, in 12”x 24” or 24”x 24” square-edge tiles, 24”x 24” interlocking tile and 4’ wide rolls. While Medley and all of the Re-Tire Collection are ideal for weight rooms, athletic facilities and corporate gyms, they also meet the requirements for a variety of other commercial areas. With great slip resistance, good sound absorption, comfort under foot, durability and the ability to handle heavy rolling loads, Re-Tire is well suited for offices, break rooms, classrooms, libraries, hotel guest rooms and more. USA made Re-Tire is Declare Label Status Red List Free and FloorScore certified.
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**BOSTIK**

**BOSTIK INTROS BAM FIBER-REINFORCED TILE MORTAR**

BAM is Bostik’s latest high-performance, fiber-reinforced tile mortar. Formulated with RapidCure Technology, BAM offers maximum performance for installations of large and heavy tile, glass tile, mosaics, quarry, porcelain, ceramic, most natural stone tiles, and even gauged porcelain tile / panels. Most notably, its RapidCure Technology allows for a consistent cure resulting in tile being ready for grouting in just 4 hours. Additionally, BAM delivers exceptional bond strength that exceeds ANSI 118.15 requirements.

**BONA**

**BONA® R540 AND BONA® PROFESSIONAL SERIES LUXURY VINYL FLOOR CLEANER**

Taking care of flooring means beginning with the proper subfloor prep. Begin by using Bona® R540 which is a one-component, roll-on moisture membrane specially designed to mitigate vapor transmissions on subfloors. This will help mitigate potential issues such as cupping in new and existing construction. The polyurethane reactive primer is compatible with the entire Bona System. Bona® also offers floor care products to maintain and protect the surface of your floors. Our NEW Bona® Professional Series Luxury Vinyl Floor Cleaner is a pH neutral formula that dries fast with no streaks or residue. This product will keep your luxury vinyl floors looking beautiful for years to come.
ASPECTA

NEW ASPECTA CONTOURS COLLECTION INCLUDES FOUR PATTERNS

Aspecta has launched Aspecta Contours: a conceptual, boutique-style collection of large-scale patterned floors built on the foundation of the LVT leader’s ISOCORE Technology®. The new multilayer WPC features four distinct floor designs, each sharing a common palette of 8 colors, that enable architects and designers to apply traditional parquet motifs in an oversized scale suitable for both commercial and residential settings. Aspecta Contours’ patterns include the Chantilly whalebone pattern – a bold, oversized interpretation of herringbone; Chambord, a single plank, large-scale Chevron design; Tarascon, a modern take on basketweave; and Versailles, smaller-scale, pre-assembled chevron planks. Together they represent a key strategic design for a floating floor. With visuals trending towards more high-style, designer looks in wood grain patterns, these planks can inspire designers and architects to go beyond traditional parquet designs into quasi-custom looks, without the additional time and expense of specifying a custom product.

With an 8 mm gauge and a 22 mil/0.55 mm wear layer, Aspecta Contours is finished with Aspecta’s proprietary Duraspect Extreme Surface Protectant™ for unrivaled abrasion resistance and stain repellency. A pre-attached HDPE (High Density Polyethylene) underlayment provides sound mitigation and enhanced comfort underfoot. The two Chevron formats – Chambord and Versailles – incorporate patent-pending technology from HMTX Industries. Nearly all Aspecta flooring products carry Declare labels and Health Product Declarations® (HPD). The company has issued several Environmental Product Declarations (EPD) for its Aspecta line and will complete EPDs for its entire line of Aspecta products by early 2020. Aspecta has also achieved BES 6001, a European standard for responsible sourcing of construction projects with a focus on the production process.

ARDEX AMERICAS

ARDEX FEATHER FINISH XF JOINS PATCHING COMPOUND LINE

ARDEX FEATHER FINISH XF just joined ARDEX FEATHER FINISH® and ARDEX’ full line of high-quality patching compounds designed to eliminate flooring installation problems associated with disbonding, crumbling, mold, mildew and staining. Like classic ARDEX FEATHER FINISH, ARDEX FEATHER FINISH XF is a self-drying, finishing underlayment, designed to provide a smooth surface prior to the installation of floor covering over a variety of substrates. It installs from a true feather-edge, up to unlimited depth in defined areas and can receive floor coverings in as little as 15 minutes. Also suitable for castor wheels, ARDEX FEATHER FINISH XF is mold and mildew resistant. Jody Proudfit, ARDEX Product Category Manager Patching and Finishing, said, “ARDEX FEATHER FINISH XF is a welcome addition to our patching solutions. It’s a great product that you can trust to deliver the highest quality just like our classic FEATHER FINISH.” He added, “FEATHER FINISH XF offers our customers another excellent choice when it comes to patching solutions, one worthy of carrying the esteemed FEATHER FINISH brand.” ARDEX Feather Finish delivers quality on the job when it counts the most. Now, ARDEX has a second option with the same trusted performance in a new technology! To learn more about the ARDEX FEATHER FINISH XF, and our other patching solutions, please visit www.ardexamericas.com.