

Electronic Wet Chemicals Market Size, Share and Forecast to 2033

The electronic wet chemicals market is expected to grow from an estimated USD 4124.5 million in 2024 to USD 8176.4 million in 2033, at a CAGR of 7.90%.

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- The global electronic wet chemicals market is projected to grow from USD 4.12 billion in 2024 to USD 8.18 billion by 2033, registering a robust compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 7.90%. This significant growth is fueled by the



rising demand for high-purity chemicals essential for semiconductor and electronic device manufacturing.

Wet chemicals such as acetic acid, hydrogen peroxide, and isopropyl alcohol are vital components in processes including semiconductor fabrication, integrated circuit (IC) packaging, and printed circuit board (PCB) production. The rapid adoption of advanced technologies like 5G, artificial intelligence (AI), and the Internet of Things (IoT) is accelerating market expansion as manufacturers require increasingly sophisticated and miniaturized components.

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Technological Advancements Driving Market Expansion

Major industry players like BASF, Dow Chemical, and Merck are investing heavily in research and development to meet the growing need for ultrapure chemicals. These efforts are aimed at supporting the production of next-generation semiconductor devices with improved speed, efficiency, and reduced size. BASF's introduction of a high-purity chemical portfolio for advanced semiconductor applications, particularly for 5G and AI chips, exemplifies the sector's ongoing

innovation.

Leading semiconductor manufacturers, including Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC) and Intel, have also ramped up production to address global semiconductor shortages. This increased output directly boosts the consumption of wet chemicals for wafer cleaning and etching processes. As devices become more complex, the demand for precise and effective chemical solutions continues to rise.

Key Market Drivers

One of the primary drivers of growth in the electronic wet chemicals market is the expanding semiconductor industry. The fabrication of semiconductors requires specialized chemical solutions for cleaning, etching, and material preparation. Hydrogen peroxide and hydrofluoric acid, for example, are critical for cleaning and etching semiconductor surfaces.

The proliferation of consumer electronics, automotive technology, and smartphones, coupled with advancements in AI and IoT, further contributes to the market's expansion. A 2023 report from SEMI indicates that the global semiconductor market is expected to grow at an annual rate of over 7% through 2025, fueling demand for high-purity wet chemicals.

Challenges and Restraints

Despite strong growth prospects, the market faces challenges. The high production costs associated with manufacturing ultrapure chemicals present a barrier for smaller players. Producing these chemicals requires specialized techniques and stringent purity standards, which drive up prices.

Additionally, supply chain disruptions, including raw material shortages and transportation delays, exacerbate cost pressures. For example, shortages of isopropyl alcohol during the COVID-19 pandemic led to semiconductor production delays. Addressing these supply chain vulnerabilities is crucial to ensuring the market's continued growth and stability.

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Segment Insights

Among the various chemicals, acetic acid holds a significant market share due to its extensive use in cleaning and etching semiconductor wafers. Effective cleaning is essential for removing impurities and ensuring high-quality semiconductor production. The growing demand for advanced semiconductors across electronics, automotive, and aerospace industries will further drive the need for acetic acid.

Hydrogen peroxide is the fastest-growing segment in the market, primarily due to its use in

semiconductor manufacturing for cleaning and surface treatment. The demand for miniaturized and efficient semiconductor devices is expected to increase the adoption of hydrogen peroxide and other advanced cleaning agents.

As technological advancements and the need for high-performance semiconductors continue to shape the electronics landscape, the electronic wet chemicals market is positioned for significant growth. Industry players are focusing on innovation and cost-effective solutions to meet the evolving demands of semiconductor manufacturers and ensure sustainable market expansion.

Some of the key companies in the global Electronic Wet Chemicals Market include: Dow Chemical

BASF

Merck

Air Products and Chemicals

Huntsman Corporation

Solvay

Sumitomo Chemical

Eastman Chemical

Kanto Chemical Co.

Linde Group

Electronic Wet Chemicals Latest Industry Updates

In March 2024, BASF announced a partnership with TSMC to supply advanced electronic wet chemicals tailored for the semiconductor industry, including new formulations of Nitric acid and Ammonium hydroxide.

In February 2024, Dow Chemical launched a new line of Isopropyl alcohol-based cleaning solutions aimed at reducing environmental impact during PCB manufacturing. In January 2024, Linde Group unveiled a new process for producing Hydrofluoric acid in a more sustainable manner, addressing concerns about the chemical's environmental footprint. In November 2023, Huntsman Corporation announced a breakthrough in the production of ecofriendly electronic wet chemicals, designed to reduce the environmental impact of semiconductor manufacturing.

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Electronic Wet Chemicals Market Segmentation Analysis By Type Outlook (Revenue, USD Million; 2020-2033)

Acetic acid Isopropyl alcohol Hydrogen peroxide Hydrochloric acid

Ammonium hydroxide Hydrofluoric acid Nitric acid Phosphoric acid Sulfuric acid Others By Application Outlook (Revenue, USD Million; 2020-2033) Semiconductor IC packaging PCB (Printed Circuit Board) Others By Form Outlook (Revenue, USD Million; 2020-2033) Liquid form Gas form Solid form By End-Use Industry Outlook (Revenue, USD Million; 2020-2033) Consumer goods Automotive Aerospace & defense Medical Others By Geography Outlook (Revenue, USD Million; 2020-2033) North America **United States** Canada Mexico Europe Germany France **United Kingdom** Italy Spain Benelux Rest of Europe Asia-Pacific China India Japan South Korea Rest of Asia-Pacific Latin America Brazil Rest of Latin America

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