

Unlocking the Future: How Advanced Ceramics Are Powering Quantum Computing and Semiconductor Innovation | FMI Study

Advanced ceramics are quietly transforming quantum computing and semiconductors, offering unmatched thermal and electrical performance.

NEWARK, DE, UNITED STATES, April 24, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The advanced ceramics have long been the unsung heroes of industrial engineering, known for their durability, corrosion resistance, and thermal stability. While their applications in aerospace, biomedical, and automotive sectors are frequently covered in



market reports, a quiet but profound transformation is underway in the digital realm, particularly in quantum computing and semiconductor innovation. This article uncovers the overlooked yet critical role advanced ceramics are playing in the development of cutting-edge computational technology, a niche market segment with far-reaching implications.

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As quantum computing and high-frequency semiconductors evolve, advanced ceramics are emerging as critical enablers, signaling a shift in market dynamics and investment focus."

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Advanced ceramics—also known as technical ceramics—are inorganic, non-metallic materials engineered to perform specific functions in extreme environments. Their inherent properties, such as high dielectric strength, low thermal expansion, chemical inertness, and exceptional mechanical strength, make them ideal candidates for high-performance applications. These ceramics go far beyond traditional pottery; they are structurally engineered using refined powders and modern manufacturing techniques to meet the demanding

standards of industries that rely on precision and resilience.

In the fast-evolving landscape of computing and electronics, quantum computing and nextgeneration semiconductors have emerged as pivotal technologies. These areas require materials that can endure extreme operational conditions, from cryogenic temperatures to high-frequency electromagnetic fields. Traditional materials often fail under such duress, paving the way for advanced ceramics to step in. While industry discussions have mostly revolved around conventional uses, the application of technical ceramics in digital electronics is gaining traction—though it remains a lesser-known story.

Quantum computers, with their promise of exponentially superior processing capabilities, rely on components that can operate under stringent thermal and electromagnetic conditions. Advanced ceramics such as yttria-stabilized zirconia and alumina are now being used in the fabrication of control systems, vacuum chamber linings, and qubit encapsulation structures. These materials provide the necessary thermal insulation and electromagnetic shielding to stabilize qubit operations, which are highly sensitive to environmental noise.

One prominent example is the work being done at Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands, where ceramic substrates are used in the precision alignment of superconducting qubits. Similarly, researchers at IBM are exploring barium titanate-based ceramics for use in scalable quantum processors. These applications demonstrate that advanced ceramics are not only passive structural components but also functional materials with a direct role in quantum system stability and scalability.

As semiconductor devices continue to shrink in size and increase in performance, managing heat has become a formidable challenge. With transistor densities reaching unprecedented levels, conventional materials like silicon alone can no longer cope with the resulting thermal stress. Advanced ceramics offer a solution in the form of ceramic substrates and high-k dielectric materials.

Materials such as <u>silicon carbide (SiC)</u> and <u>aluminum</u> nitride (AIN) are increasingly used as

substrates in high-frequency, high-power semiconductors. They provide excellent thermal conductivity and electrical insulation, making them ideal for power amplifiers in 5G base stations and electric vehicle inverters. In countries like Japan and Germany, ceramic-based GaN (gallium nitride) transistors are being developed to enable more efficient power switching with reduced heat dissipation. These innovations highlight how technical ceramics are vital for sustaining Moore's Law in the face of miniaturization limits.

While global demand for advanced ceramics is expected to grow at a CAGR of over 6% through 2030, most market reports continue to highlight their use in traditional industries. However, markets like Singapore and Finland are now investing heavily in ceramic-based microelectronics, with government-backed R&D programs exploring next-generation ceramic composites for photonic and quantum systems.

Despite their promising performance, advanced ceramics face hurdles such as high production costs and limited scalability. To address this, companies are exploring additive manufacturing techniques like 3D printing to fabricate complex ceramic structures at lower costs. A notable example is Lithoz GmbH in Austria, which has developed a proprietary process to print functional ceramic components with sub-micron precision, ideal for electronic applications.

This shift is also visible in search trends, where queries like "ceramic substrates for high frequency", "technical ceramics in electronics", and "quantum materials market analysis" are gaining volume, indicating a growing awareness of ceramics' role in high-tech applications.

Leading players in the advanced ceramics market are focusing on strategic partnerships, R&D investments, and sustainability initiatives to stay competitive. Key industry players include:

- Kyocera Corporation
- CoorsTek Inc.
- CeramTec GmbH
- Morgan Advanced Materials
- 3M Company
- Saint-Gobain Ceramics & Plastics

Recent Developments

- Kyocera Corporation recently announced the launch of a new generation of ceramic substrates for high-power electronics, enhancing thermal conductivity.

- Morgan Advanced Materials is investing in sustainable ceramic production techniques, reducing environmental impact while improving performance.

- 3M Company has expanded its portfolio of advanced ceramic coatings for aerospace and industrial applications.

- CeramTec GmbH is accelerating the development of bioceramics for next-generation medical implants.

As digital systems become more sophisticated and thermally intensive, the role of advanced ceramics is poised to expand beyond their traditional strongholds. These materials are not just surviving the technological evolution—they are enabling it. Their integration into quantum computing and semiconductors represents a market opportunity that remains largely untapped and under-reported.

Investing in the R&D of functional ceramics tailored for digital electronics could unlock new commercial avenues while solving some of the most pressing challenges in modern technology. As market leaders, research institutions, and startups begin to recognize this potential, the advanced ceramics market is likely to witness a strategic reorientation—one that aligns with the demands of a computationally-driven future.

By shifting focus to these lesser-explored applications, stakeholders in the ceramics industry can not only diversify their portfolios but also contribute to shaping the future of high-performance computing and sustainable digital infrastructure.

By Class:

It is further segmented into Coatings, Monolithic, Advanced Ceramics Matrix Composites and Other Advanced Ceramics Classes.

By Material:

It bifurcated further in Silicon Carbide, Alumina, Zirconia, Titanate and Other Advanced Ceramics Materials.

By End-use Industry:

For Medical Use, For Transportation, For Electrical & Electronics Manufacturing, For Defense & Security, For Chemical Manufacturing, For Environmental Use and For Other End-use Industries.

By Region:

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