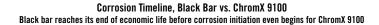


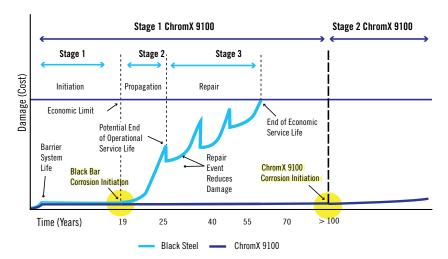
Service Life and Lower Life Cycle Costs

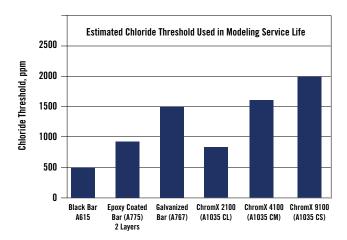
ChromX Concrete Reinforcing Steels

ChromX concrete reinforcing steel provide high strength with varying levels of corrosion resistance, so designers can utilize the high strength efficiencies and best match the corrosion protection requirements of the structure.

The service life (the time to first repair) is driven by the corrosion of the reinforcing steel. Reinforcing steel corrosion begins when the chloride concentration at the steel surface reaches the critical chloride threshold (CT) value of that steel. The corrosion continues at the corrosion rate (CR) of the steel, eventually causing cracking and spalling of the concrete and deterioration of the structure.







The CT of ChromX 9100 is four times that of Black Bar and twice that of ChromX 4100. In addition, both ChromX 9100 and 4100 have a CR value of one-third that of Black Bar. These higher CT and lower CR values are the reason ChromX products extend the structure's service life, saving repair and maintenance costs, resulting in lower life cycle costs compared to other steel reinforcing products.

Chart Notes

¹Darwin, David et al, Critical Chloride Corrosion Threshold for Galvanized Reinforcing Bar, The University of Kansas Center for Research, Inc. (Dec 2007).

² ECR Chloride Threshold set at black bar's CT. Perfectly applied epoxy-coating performs well in laboratory tests, but field studies prove that the coating does not survive field handling and installation, and therefore provides little to no protection.

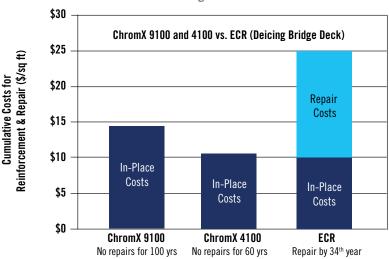
³ ChromX 4100 comparison figure based on Tourney Consulting Group, LLC, Reinforcing Steel Comparative Durability Case Studies and 100 Year Service Life Cost Analysis Report, Tourney Consulting Group, LLC (2016).

On average, rebar accounts for only 1% to 4% of the total cost of construction, yet this relatively small cost item ultimately determines the operational service life of the multi-million dollar structure.

In addition, repair costs easily overshadow minor differences in initial construction costs, so using ChromX rebar can greatly reduce the overall cost of a structure.

Savings Realized Upon First Repair of ECR

Significant savings are realized upon first repair and accumulate throughout the service life.



Service Life Designs

The Full ChromX Product Line

Areas of the same marine structure have different corrosion protection requirements. The full ChromX product line (9100, 4100 and 2100) allows designers to mix and match, and select the product that best fits the application. A pier is shown as an example below.



- » **Atmospheric Zone** A marine atmosphere is very corrosive due to chloride exposure from salt spray, salt fog and salt mist. For atmospheric pier members in marine environments designers should consider using ChromX 4100 or 9100 depending on the target service life for the structure.
- » Splash and Tidal Zones The splash and tidal zones are generally severe corrosive environments due to repeated wet and dry saltwater exposures, requiring ChromX 9100's corrosion protection.
- » Submerged Zone While actually less corrosive than the splash zone, designers should consider ChromX 9100 or 4100 for the submerged zone.
- » **Embedded Zone** There is usually lower corrosion potential in the embedded zone depending on the composition and contents of the soil, therefore ChromX 2100 may be a good choice.

Case Study Corrosion Service Life for Various Reinforcing Steels in Low Permeability Marine Piles

Reinforcing Bar	Est. Initial Cost (\$/lb)*	Service Life Years (2.0" cover)**	Service Life Years (2.5" cover)	
Black Bar	\$0.61	26	37	
Epoxy Coated	\$0.84	35	46	
Galvanized	\$1.14	64	89	
ChromX 4100	\$0.81	56	76	
ChromX 4100 w/ CNI ChromX 9100	\$0.86 \$1.21	94 >100	>100 >100	
Stainless (UNS S32304)	\$2.11	>100	>100	

- * Estimate initial cost per pound installed including materials, fabrication and placement estimated costs as of date of publication. Adding 2 gallons of calcium nitrite (CNI) as a concrete additive at an estimated cost of \$12.00 per cubic yard of concrete has been shown to further enhance ChromX 4100's corrosion performance. With a ratio of rebar to concrete for a typical marine pile ranging from 160 to 240 lbs. of rebar per cubic yard, the additional CNI cost would range from \$0.05 to \$0.075 per lb of rebar.
- ** Service lives estimated based on CT values determined in Critical Chloride Corrosion Threshold for Galvanized Reinforcing Bars, David Darwin, et al, Univ. of Kansas Center for Research, Inc. (Dec. 2007), as well as CT and CR values and Stadium Modeling for marine piles using 2.0 and 2.5 inches of Pile Mix LP concrete cover according to Reinforcing Steel Comparative Durability Case Studies and 100 Year Service Life Cost Analysis Report, Tourney Consulting Group, LLC (2016).

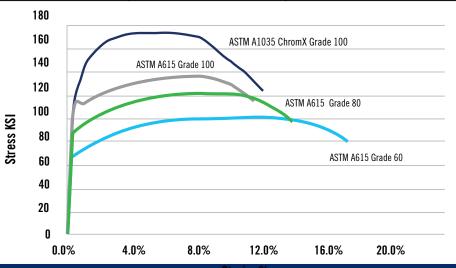
High Strength Designs

ChromX Concrete Reinforcing Steels

High Strength Tensile Properties per ASTM A1035

ChromX	2100	4100	9100
Specification Grade	ASTM A1035 CL 100 [690]	ASTM A1035 CM 100 [690]	ASTM A1035 CS 100 [690]
Tensile Strength, min, psi	150,000	150,000	150,000
[MPa]	[1030]	[1030]	[1030]
Yield Strength (0.2% offset)	100,000	100,000	100,000
min, psi [MPa]	[690]	[690]	[690]
	Elongation in 8 in	ı. [200 mm], min	
Bar Designation No. 3			
through 11 [10 through 36]	7	7	7
14, 18 [43,57]	6	6	6

Stress vs. Strain Curves for ASTM A1035, CS, CM & CL



Design Guides for 100 ksi Designs



ACI 439.6R-19 Guide for the Use of ASTM A1035/A1035M Type CS Grade 100 (690) Steel Bars for Structural Concrete



ICC-ES AC429 & ESR 2107 Acceptance Criteria for High-Strength Steel Reinforcing Bars



ICC-ES-ESR-2107 Grade 100 Steel Reinforcing Bars



ACI 318-19
Building Code Requirements
for Structural Concrete

Value Engineering with ChromX Reinforcing Steel

Comparison Using High Strength, Corrosion Resistant Rebar

To illustrate the value engineering potential of ChromX 9100 rebar with both its corrosion resistance and high strength properties, the table below provides a comparison of ChromX 9100 rebar to epoxy-coated rebar (ECR) using a specific redesigned seawall as an example. This Dubai, UAE, diaphragm wall was redesigned to Grade 600 versus Grade 460 design. The design engineers elected to only design up to 600 MPa for this seawall application. U.S. cost factors of materials and labor were used for this comparison.

ChromX 9100 rebar was estimated to provide an upfront construction cost savings of 2% and a 20% reduction in construction time. Further, the high strength redesign reduced the thickness of the wall by 10%, saving valuable real estate along the canal.

In addition, ChromX 9100 rebar provides over 100 years of service life in concrete compared to only 34 years estimated for ECR. ChromX 9100's corrosion resistance is estimated to reduce the life cycle costs over a 100-year service life by 26% for a total savings of over \$27 million.

Again, the savings in repair costs are realized upon the initial repair of the ECR structure, which is estimated to be within 34 years of construction. These initial repair costs alone are estimated at a net present value of \$9.7 million. Combined with the estimated upfront construction cost savings from the high strength design, the total savings realized from using ChromX 9100 rebar is approximately \$11 million within the first 34 years, with many more subsequent repairs scheduled for the ECR structure.



Efficient Dubai Diaphragm Wall (Seawall) Design Summary

By designing a seawall at 600 MPa compared to 460 MPa, the designers were able to:

- » Reduce the wall thickness by 10%, saving valuable real estate along the length of the wall.
- » Save approximately 2% of upfront construction costs, assuming using ChromX 9100 over epoxy-coated rebar.
- » Reduce construction time by 20%.
- » Lower life cycle costs with the superior corrosion protection of ChromX 9100.

High Strength Steel & Corrosion Resistant Rebar Seawall Design Comparison Table						
Seawall Example - Metric 8/27/2015	Grade 460 ECR	Grade 600 ChromX 9100	Added Cost / Savings	%		
Construction Costs						
Rebar Quantities (metric tons)	20,000	15,333	(4,667)	-23%		
Steel Related Costs	\$37,100,000	\$39,943,333	\$2,843,333	8%		
Concrete Costs	\$37,970,323	\$34,173,290	(\$3,797,032)	-10%		
Other Construction Expenses:						
Excavation	\$3,043,591	\$2,739,232	(\$304,359)	-10%		
Total Construction Costs	\$78,113,914	\$76,855,856	(\$1,258,058)	-2%		
Other VE Considerations						
Number of Trucks	22,448	20,107	(2,342)			
Construction Time (in hours)	2,924	2,338	(586)			
Construction Time Savings				-20%		
Service Life & LCCA						
Service Life	34	101	67			
NPV of Repairs	\$25,911,409	\$0	(\$25,911,409)			
Total Life Cycle Costs	\$104,025,323	\$76,855,856	(\$27,169,467)			
Life Cycle Cost Analysis Savings				-26%		

Applications

ChromX Has Been Used In:

» Seawalls

» Ports

» Piers

- » Marinas
- » Canals and waterways
- » Permeable groins and jetties









Other Examples of Efficient Design Techniques Using ChromX



United States Navy Modular Hybrid Precast Concrete Pier by Naval Facilities Engineering Command

ChromX 9100 was used along with other innovations in a floating modular pier resulting in:

- » 100-year service life
- » \$2.8 million savings by substituting ChromX 9100 for stainless steel rebar in select sections

Reference: New Technology Proven in Precast Concrete Modular Floating Pier for U.S. Navy, PCI Journal (October 2005)



Structural Design Guidelines for Concrete Bridge Decks Using Corrosion Resistant Reinforcing (CRR) Bars

by Virginia Center for Transportation Innovation & Research

- » Reducing steel weight by 36%
- » Thinning clear cover from 2.5 to 2.0 inches
- » Identifying significant savings in construction costs and time
- » Improving serviceability

Reference: Final Report VCTIR 15-R10 (October 2014)



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Technology

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MMFX Technologies has removed long-standing limitations faced by structural engineers and the construction industry by introducing its ChromX brand of high strength concrete reinforcing steel products with varying levels of corrosion resistance, so designers can utilize the high strength efficiencies and best match the corrosion protection requirements of a given project.

ChromX 9100 Series (formerly MMFX2[®]) concrete reinforcing steels can be specified as ASTM A1035 CS either Grade 100 or 120. This chromium steel provides high corrosion protection for severe corrosive environments caused by seawater, aggressive soils and deicing salts. Designers can meet 100-year service life requirements called for on many infrastructure projects by specifying ChromX 9100.

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ChromX 2100 Series (ASTM A1035 CL Grade 100 or 120) is a low cost product ideal for construction projects in which high strength designs reduce the amount of steel used, improving constructability, and reducing construction time and costs for the owner.

By specifying ASTM A1035 CS, CM or CL, designers can take advantage of the high strength efficiencies and match the appropriate corrosion resistance for the targeted service life of the structure utilizing the CSI Etabs software to incorporate the design guidelines for ASTM A1035 properties.

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