# 2450 MHz Industrial Microwave Heating and Drying System with Ridged Waveguide (RWG) Serpentine Applicator Technology

Whether used to post-dry materials after a conventional dryer to optimize final moisture uniformity, or purely for stand-alone drying, Industrial Microwave Systems (IMS) offers an efficient solution to many challenging heating and drying processes. Our patented Ridged Waveguide (RWG) Applicator eliminates hot spots by uniformly heating thin materials of medium to low moisture content that do not efficiently absorb energy by conventional conductive or convective heat transfer processes.

Benefits include:

- Increased production throughput as high speed microwave heating reduces drying times.
- Rapid power adjustments and on/off capabilities eliminate lengthy warm up and cooldown times.
- Microwave energy distribution reduces risk of over-drying or scorching the product surface.
- Lower energy consumption than conventional dryers with products containing less than 15% moisture.
- Modular design and construction allows for a compact footprint that may be suitable for either vertical or horizontal applications.



## Applications

A RWG Applicator consists of a series of specially designed waveguides arranged in a serpentine pattern. Its modular construction allows an electric field orientation that is parallel to the material passing either on a microwave inert belt through the applicator or directly as a substrate without a belt. The result is greater absorption of power by the material. A range of loose granular to continuous sheet materials has been successfully heated or dried, and includes:

- Corrugated Paper
- Crumb Rubber
- Insulation Materials
- Medical Foams
- Non-woven Materials
- Textiles
- Wood Products



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#### ABOUT IMS

Industrial Microwave Systems, (IMS) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Microwave Techniques LLC, a private company based in Gorham, Maine with decades of success in the innovation, design, and construction of food and industrial material processing equipment. IMS is also partnered with Ferrite and MEGA to provide additional access to its microwave system and component technology across the globe.

### **IMS PRODUCTS**

IMS offers a series of modularized laboratory scale and commercial inline heaters and dryers, available with control systems as well as 915 or 2,450 MHz microwave generators or transmitters. These modules can be combined in specific customized configurations to match the required process specification as well as fitting the available production footprint. To maximize heating or drying efficiency, the patented single-mode **Ridged Waveguide Applicator ensures** microwave energy field is uniformly distributed so that the target material achieves desired results.

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## **OPERATING PARAMETERS PER MODULE**

Single Module Process	Laboratory Caala	
Specification	Laboratory Scale	
Max. Throughput	132 - 396 lb./hr. (60 - 180 kg/hr.)	
Max. Moisture Removal	11 - 33 lb./hr. (5 - 15 kg/hr.)	
Max. Temperature	Limited by product and belt material	A MARINE
Operating Pressure	Atmospheric at 14.7 psig (1.0 Barg)	
Design Options	Laboratory Scale	
Generator Frequency	2,450 MHz	
Applicator Material	Aluminum. Stainless steel available upon request.	
Max. Product Height	1" (25.4mm)	
Belt Material	Teflon coated fiberglass. Other materials available upon request.	
Belt Speed. Not limited	0 - 100  ft./min.	
Belt Width	Variable to 18"	
Electric Air Heater	Optional for drying application.	
Generator, Control Panel & Applicator Dimensions	Laboratory Scale	
Length	3'4" (1.03m) 1'7" (0.48m) 8'0" (2.42m)	
Width	1'9" (0.54m) 0'11" (0.27m) 4'4" (1.31m)	
Height	5'9" (1.76m) 1'7" (0.48m) 4'0" (1.21m)	
Utilities	Laboratory Scale	
Power Output	5 - 15 kW	
Electricity including Belt Drive Motor	7 - 20 kW	
Magnetron Cooling Water <sup>+</sup>	3 - 5.4 GPM (11 - 20 LPM)	A MICROWAVE TEC

Actual Process Performance and Specifications will depend on the throughput, properties, and heating range of product.

\* To eliminate the need for once through cooling water, IMS strongly recommends the use of a closed-circuit chiller package for commercial applications.

