a reactor for a fine chemicals plant in Spain.

simpler than with earlier technologies.







Carbone Lorraine has won an anti-corrosion equipment contract worth €8 million

Through its Astrocosmos subsidiary, Carbone Lorraine has landed an order worth €8 million to supply

This chemical reactor, which is designed to process corrosive fluids, will be built in tantalum. This contract follows on from a similar order delivered in 2002, which fully satisfied the customer's expectations. The new reactor will be used in the manufacture of polycarbonate, a fast-expanding

Astrocosmos, the world leader in anti-corrosion equipment made in noble metals (titanium, tantalum, zirconium) is the only manufacturer in the world that can supply new tantalum-based technology and has the requisite expertise to produce large equipment operating under pressure. The main benefit for customers is a reduction in their usage costs, which are significantly lower because maintenance is

material that is now used instead of glass -in car headlights, for instance.





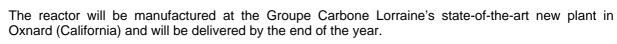












The award of this contract underlines the effectiveness of the Group's policy, which puts innovation at the heart of its customer strategy.

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Reminder:

Carbone Lorraine is an industrial group specialising in electrical components (brushes for electric motors, magnets and industrial fuses) and advanced materials and technologies. Well-established world-wide, the Group holds world-class positions in all its main markets:

- - Electrical Applications
 - Permanent Magnets
 - Electrical Protection
 - Advanced Materials & Technologies
- World # 2 in brushes for electric motors
- World # 3 in magnets for automobiles
- World # 2 in industrial fuses
- World # 1 in thermal anti-corrosion equipment
- World # 2 in high-temperature applications of isostatic graphite

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