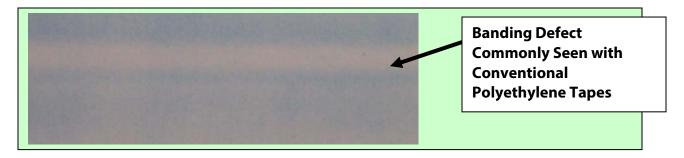


**Application Note** 

## Elimination of Gear Banding with R/bak® SA 2000

## **Problem**

Banding in tonal areas is a common problem for many printers, especially in Narrow Web. These bands of alternating high and low ink density are shown below. This defect has many causes, including machine vibration as well as image layout on the plate.



## **Solution**

R/bak® SA 2000 Cushion Mounting Tapes

## Results

SA 2000 uses open-cell urethane foam technology to provide unequaled energy absorption that eliminates the banding defect in most situations. Compared to competitive mounting tapes that use closed-cell polyethylene foam, SA 2000 better prevents plate bounce and dissipates vibration resulting in noticeably more uniform tonal areas.



Still not convinced? Visit http://www.rogerscorp.com/ems/printing/video.aspx and see for yourself how the R/bak SA 2000 open-cell urethane technology actually absorbs energy much better than the competitive closed-cell polyethylene foams. A simple ball drop demonstration shows a dramatic difference between these two different types of foams and how they handle impact energy. This difference can improve your print quality.

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