Technical Information

Depth Filtration BECOPAD® Range



Premium Mineral-Free Depth Filter Medium

BECOPAD depth filter medium from Eaton's Begerow Product Line is characterized by maximum purity. BECOPAD offers exceptionally high chemical resistance both in alkaline and acidic applications.

Eaton's innovative BECOPAD depth filter sheet's range, high-purity celluloses form a unique structure, which even for microbe removal does not require mineral components.

The specific advantages of BECOPAD depth filter medium:

- Very good chemical and mechanical resistance
- Mineral-free, therefore low ion content
- Virtually no ash content, therefore optimum ashing
- Low charge-related adsorption
- 20% higher performance
- Rinsing volume reduced by 50%, resulting in reduced process costs
- Drip losses reduced by 99% in open filter systems
- Biodegrable

Ingredients

BECOPAD depth filter medium is made only of highpurity cellulose and wet strength materials.

Areas of Application

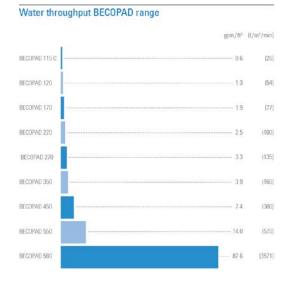
BECOPAD depth filter medium can be used for filtration of any liquid media.

Application options range from coarse to superfine filtration.

BECOPAD Depth Filter Medium

BECOPAD depth filter medium is very low cationic. This means there is only a minor charge-related adsorption during the filtration. Valuable substances are not adsorbed and remain in the filtrate. The chemical resistance and the mechanical stability are exceptionally high.





Conditions: Δ p = 14.5 psi (100 kPa, 1 bar), Medium: Water at 68 °F (20 °C)

BECOPAD depth filter medium is therefore particularly suitable for applications involving primarily mechanical separation of particles from aggressive media, e.g., for catalyst and/or activated carbon removal. For applications where the important substance should remain in the filtrate – e.g., in the flavor or cosmetic industry – the BECOPAD depth filter medium is ideal due to the low charge-related adsorption.



Physical Data

This information is intended as a guideline for the selection of BECOPAD depth filter medium.

| Туре | Article no. | Nominal retention | Thickness | Ash content | Bursting strength wet | Water throughput at | |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|---|--|
| | | range µm | in (mm) | % | psi (kPa) | Δ p = 14.5 psi gpm/ft ² | $(\Delta p = 100 \text{ kPa}^*)$ $I/m^2/min$ |
| BECOPAD 115 C | Q2C11 | 0.1 – 0.2 | 0.16 (4.1) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 0.6 | (26) |
| BECOPAD 120 | Q2112 | 0.1 - 0.3 | 0.15 (3.9) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 1.3 | (54) |
| BECOPAD 170 | Q2117 | 0.2 - 0.4 | 0.15 (3.9) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 1.9 | (77) |
| BECOPAD 220 | Q2122 | 0.3 - 0.5 | 0.15 (3.9) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 2.5 | (100) |
| BECOPAD 270 | Q2127 | 0.5 - 0.7 | 0.15 (3.9) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 3.3 | (135) |
| BECOPAD 350 | Q2135 | 0.7 - 1.0 | 0.15 (3.9) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 3.9 | (160) |
| BECOPAD 450 | Q2145 | 1.0 – 2.0 | 0.15 (3.9) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 7.4 | (300) |
| BECOPAD 550 | Q2155 | 2.0 – 3.0 | 0.15 (3.9) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 14.0 | (570) |
| BECOPAD 580 | Q2158 | 3.0 – 4.0 | 0.15 (3.9) | < 1.0 | > 21.8 (150) | 87.6 | (3571) |

The water flow is a laboratory value characterizing the different BECOPAD depth filter medium types. It is not the recommended flow rate.

Chemical Data

BECOPAD depth filter medium meets the requirements of LFGB*, Recommendation XXXVI/1 issued by BfR** and the test criteria of FDA*** Directive CFR 21 § 177.2260. The chemical compatibilities listed in the table below are a guide only.

| Chemical compound | | Max. tested temperature, Contact time | Mechani- cal resist- ance | Chemical compound | | Max. tested temperature, Contact time | Mechani- cal resist- ance |
|---------------------|------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|---|------------------------------------|
| Caustic: | | | | Organic solvents: | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| Ammonia solution | 25% | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | Х | Acetone | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| Potassium hydroxide | 30% | 68 °F (20 °C), 48 h | (x) | Butanol | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| Sodium hydroxide | 30% | 68 °F (20 °C), 24 h | - | Cyclohexane | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| | 5% | 68 °F (20 °C), 4 h | х | Dimethyl sulphide | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | Х |
| | 2% | 68 °F (20 °C), 48 h | (x) | Ethanol | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| | 1% | 68 °F (20 °C), 72 h | х | Ethylene glycol | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | Х |
| | 0.5% | 68 °F (20 °C), 72 h | х | Ethyl methyl ketone | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| | | | | Isopropanol | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| Acids: | | | | Methanol | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | Х |
| Acetic acid | 25% | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х | N,N dimethyl formamic | de | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | Х |
| Peracetic acid | 0.1% | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х | N-hexane | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| Peracetic acid | 0.2% | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х | Tetrachloroethylene | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | Х |
| Peracetic acid | 0.5% | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х | Toluene | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | Х |
| Nitric acid | 20% | 68 °F (20 °C), 24 h | х | Triethanolamine | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | Х |
| Hydrochloric acid | 20% | 68 °F (20 °C), 4 h | (x) | Xylene | | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| Sulphuric acid | 20% | 68 °F (20 °C), 72 h | х | | | | |
| Citric acid | 25% | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х | Aqueous solutions: | | | |
| | | | | Iron trichloride | 25% | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| | | | | Sodium hypochlorite free chlorine | 12% | 68 °F (20 °C), 168 h | х |
| | | | | Hydrogen peroxide | 10% | 68 °F (20 °C), 72 h | х |

^{* 100} kPa = 1 bar

Guide to Choosing the Right BECOPAD Depth Filter Medium

BECOPAD 115C

This depth filter medium is ideally used as membrane protection. Micro colloids impairing the filtration are safely retained.

BECOPAD 120

High microbe removal filtration with increased safety. Filtration for separating bacteria for heavily used or delicate products.

BECOPAD 170

Microbe removal filtration for filling or storing with high initial burden.

BECOPAD 220

Microbe reduction filtration with average initial burden.

BECOPAD 270

Microbe reduction filtration with low initial burden.

BECOPAD 350

Fine filtration, removal of yeasts and reduction of bacteria, as well as activated carbon removal.

BECOPAD 450

Clarifying filtration, removal of yeasts in applications with low cell count.

BECOPAD 550, BECOPAD 580

Coarse filtration, particle retention, yeast reduction and catalyst separation.

Instructions for Correct Use

BECOPAD depth filter medium requires careful handling when inserting them into the plate and frame filter. Avoid banging, bending, and rubbing. Do not use damaged BECOPAD depth filter media.

Inserting

Each BECOPAD depth filter medium has a rough side and a smooth side. The rough side is the feed side; the smooth side is the filtrate side. Always ensure that the filtrate side is in contact with the clear filtrate plate when inserting the sheets.

Sterilization (Optional)

The wetted BECOPAD depth filter medium may be sterilized with saturated steam up to a maximum temperature of 273.2 °F (134 °C). The pressed filter package should be loosened slightly. Make sure to sterilize the entire filter system thoroughly. Do not apply final pressure until after the filter package has cooled down.

Sterilization with Hot Water

The specific flow rate should at least equal the flow rate. The hot water should be softened and free from contamination.

The following parameters must be adhered to:

Temperature: > 185 °F (85 °C)

Duration: 25 minutes after 185 °F (85 °C) is

reached at all valves

Pressure: > 7.2 psi (50 kPa, 0.5 bar) at the filter

outlet

Sterilization with Steam

Steam quality: The steam must be free of foreign

particles and impurities

Temperature: Max. 273.2 °F (134 °C)

(saturated steam)

Duration: Min. 20 minutes after steam exits from

all filter valves

Rinsing: After sterilizing with 6.6 gal/sqm

(25 l/m²) at 1.25 times the flow rate

Filter Preparation and Filtration

Unless already completed after sterilization, rinse the depth filter with 6.6 gal/sqm (25 l/m²) of water at 1.25 times the flow rate prior to the first filtration.

Check the entire filter for leakage at maximum operating pressure.

High-proof alcoholic solutions and products that cannot be rinsed with water should be circulated with the product. Discard the rinsing solution after rinsing.

Differential Pressure

Terminate the filtration process when a differential pressure of 43.5 psi (300 kPa, 3 bar) is reached.

For safety reasons, a differential pressure of 21.8 psi (150 kPa, 1.5 bar) should not be exceeded in applications for removing micro-organisms.

Regeneration/Backwashing for Beverage Applications

Framework Conditions

More detailed information regarding regeneration can be found in Note of Application 1 A 2.7.1.1

Safety

When used and handled correctly, there are no known unfavorable effects associated with this product.

Further safety information can be found in the relevant Material Safety Data Sheet, which can be downloaded from our website.

Waste Disposal

Due to their composition BECOPAD depth filter media are 100% biodegradable. Relevant current regulations must be followed, depending on the filtered product.

Storage

BECOPAD depth filter medium consists of strongly adsorbing materials. The product must be handled carefully during shipping and storage.

Store BECOPAD depth filter medium in a dry, odorfree, and well-ventilated place.

BECOPAD depth filter medium is intended for immediate use and should be used within 24 months of delivery.

Available Formats

All common square or round filter sizes are available for delivery. Special formats are available on request.

HS Customs Tariff: 4812 00 00

Quality Assurance According to DIN EN ISO 9001

Eaton's Begerow Product Line comprehensive Quality Management System has been certified according to DIN EN ISO 9001.

This certification verifies that a fully functioning comprehensive Quality Assurance System covering product development, contract controls, choice of suppliers, receiving inspections, production, final inspection, inventory management, and shipment has been implemented. Extensive quality assurance measures incorporate adherence to technical function criteria and chemical purity and quality recognized as safe under the German legislation governing the production of foods and beverages.

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