



Membrane Filtration



The SMART choice for filtration

Biofil[™] Plus

Double Layer Polyethersulphone Membrane Cartridge Filters

The Porvair Filtration Group Biofil[™] Plus microbial rated cartridge has been developed and manufactured for the filtration of liquids in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology and other critical applications. Biofil[™] Plus utilises a naturally hydrophilic polyethersulphone (PES) membrane with a mirrored asymmetric pore structure. The cartridge's unique built in prefiltration membrane layer provides longer life and higher throughput.

Features and Benefits

Guaranteed microbial ratings

- Biofil[™] Plus cartridges are validated for bacterial removal according to HIMA quidelines and ASTM F838-05, with a log reduction value >7. They are therefore suitable for applications requiring sterilising grade filtration. Low protein binding
- Biofil[™] Plus cartridges have excellent low protein binding characteristics, typically 10 times lower than nylon, 2 times lower than polysulphone and similar to PVDE.
- · Will not hydrolyse
- · Excellent chemical compatibility
- · Cartridge integrity and low TOC levels

Each Biofil[™] Plus module of every cartridge is individually integrity tested. Each complete filter cartridge is flushed with pure water which is inspected daily for pyrogens using the standard LAL test. When required, they can be pulse flushed with 18MΩ.cm pyrogen-free ultra-clean water.

- Suitable for steam sterilising
- Biofil[™] Plus cartridges incorporating a stainless steel support ring can be subjected to steam sterilisation at 125°C (257°F) without loss of integrity.

Materials of Manufacture

| Prefilter membrane: | Polyethersulphone | Inner core: | Polypropylene |
|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Final membrane: | Polyethersulphone | Outer support: | Polypropylene |
| Membrane support: | Polypropylene | End fittings: | Polypropylene |
| Irrigation mesh (support): | Polypropylene | Support ring: | Stainless steel |
| Drainage layer: | Polypropylene | | |

Gaskets and O-Rings

FDA approved Ethylene Propylene, PTFE encapsulated, Silicone or Nitrile.

Maximum Differential Pressure

Normal flow direction at: 20°C (68°F): 6.0bar (87psi) 80°C (176°F): 4.0bar (58psi) 100°C (212°F): 3.0bar (43psi) 120°C (248°F): 2.0bar (29psi)

Integrity Testing

Each BiofilTM Plus module of every cartridge is individually integrity tested using the Diffusive Flow Test, which correlates to the HIMA and ASTM F838-05 bacterial challenge tests. Non-destructive integrity tests, such as Pressure Hold, Diffusive Flow and Bubble Point, can be performed by customers. Procedural details are available from Porvair

Effective Filtration Area

| Pore Size Rating | Effective Filtration Area (each 254mm (10") module) | |
|----------------------|---|--|
| 0.2, 0.45 and 0.65µm | 0.48m2 (5.2ft2) | |



Operating Temperature

Maximum continuous: 60°C (140°F)

Applications

- · Biopharmaceuticals For the sterilisation of biological fluids, cell culture media, sera and blood fractionations.
- Fermentation For providing sterile feed stock for the production of antibiotics and enzymes.
- Opthalmic solutions
- API's

For the clarification and sterilisation of a wide range of active pharmaceutical ingredients.

- LVP's
 - For final filtration of Total Nutritional Fluids, dextrose, amino acids and saline solutions.
- Beverages

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Flow Rate (I/min) 100 Differential Pressure (mbar) 80 60

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Flow Rate (I/min)

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BT20

- BT45

- BT65 - BT120

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