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vacuum generation andPOVAC ANTIPOLLUTIONSolvent recovery

APOVAC ANTIPOLLUTION VACUUM SYSTEMS SET THE STANDARD FOR THE EVACUATION OF GASES AND VAPORS WITH RECOVERY OF NONCONTAMINATED A N D R E U S A B L E CONDENSATE.



The Apovac[®] system is a pre-engineered unit that combines vacuum generation and solvent recovery through condensation in a closed circuit system. This advanced system uses a liquid ring vacuum pump and subsequent cooler. Ideally suited for vacuum filtration and drying, the Apovac technique offers superior performance in a wide variety of wet chemical processes including vacuum distillation, evaporation, crystallization, mixing and reactions where both single and multiple solvents are used. Apovac's skid-mounted package is easy to install and offers low maintenance and cost-effective operation. Apovac's superior technology allows for the recovery and reuse of clean solvent with minimum air emissions and zero waste water. The Apovac system eliminates oil contamination, high condensate discharge and other environmental inefficiencies and is in full compliance with VOC regulations.





THE LIQUID-RING PUMP, SHOWN IN THE DIAGRAM ABOVE, IS CENTRAL TO THE APOVAC SYSTEM. IT GENERATES SUPERIOR LEVELS OF VACUUM AND PRESSURE. THE PROCESS ADAPTED TEMPERATURE CONTROL FEATURE CREATES A MORE RELIABLE PUMP OPERATION AND MAKES SOLVENT RECOVERY SIGNIFICANTLY MORE EFFICIENT.

> Highly Efficient Single-Stage Liquid Ring Vacuum Pump. This pump is also designed to operate as a compressor at maximum efficiency - up to 3 bar absolute.

Falling Film Cooler. Designed for maximum contact and cooling, the Apovac cooler results in high solvent recovery rates and exceptionally low exhaust gas solvent loads.

Contamination-Free Operation. The Apovac system uses the process solvent as the operating liquid which eliminates water-solvent or oil-solvent mixtures. For neutralization operations, the ring liquid can be caustic soda or a similar liquid.

Compliance With VOC Rules. With the optional exhaust gas cooler, exiting gases can be exhausted to the atmosphere in compliance with VOC rules. Standard and custom designed exhaust coolers are available.

Coolant Selection Flexibility. The coolers can be operated with separate coolants at different temperatures, creating maximum flexibility. The coolant and operating liquid never come in contact, eliminating coolant contamination. Rugged and Reliable. The Apovac system is easy to maintain and operate. Because of its compact design, installation is simple.

Maximum Performance and Flexibility. Designed to handle many applications in one unit, the Apovac ring liquid cooler handles many solvents, always free of contamination.

Easy Operation. The Apovac can handle substantial amounts of particles, solids and liquids in the incoming vapor stream without fouling. No waste water or waste oil is produced and no additional controls are necessary. The system operates quietly and without operator intervention.

The Apovac System Saves Money.

By eliminating effluent treatment, solvent treatment, and coolant treatment; and minimizing exhaust gas treatment, energy consumption, and shorter process cycles, the Apovac system can help you achieve significant savings. Even greater cost efficiencies are possible when the Apovac system is used as a gas recirculating vacuum/compressor system. Together, these operational benefits ensure a quick return on your investment.



be adapted to any special application

APOVAC WITH INTEGRATED GAS EJECTOR (FIGURE A)

For vacuum to 5 mm Hg absolute, the Apovac system can be enhanced with a fully integrated and self regulating gas ejector. The Apovac gas ejector uses system gas vapor as its propulsion force, eliminating the need for fresh nitrogen in the ejection operation. An internal spring, responsive to decreasing suction pressure, forces the gas flow through the venturi tube. This system reduces organic emissions and gas consumption to levels well below those achieved by conventional air or steam ejector systems.



PERFORMANCE/SIZING CURVES (FIGURE B)

Performance curves show actual suction volume at a given absolute pressure with a tolerance of 10% at the following conditions:

- Evacuation of dry air at 20°C/68°F
- Compression to atmosphere
 Ring liquid: water
- King liquid: water I5°C/60°F at inlet
- 60 Hz motor service

For compression applications up to 3000 mbar abs, please contact De Dietrich Process Systems.







COMMON RING LIQUIDS

ALCOHOLS

Methyl alcohol* CH4O Ethyl alcohol C2H6O Propyl alcohol C3H8O Butyl alcohol C4H10O Octyl alcohol C8H18O i-butyl alcohol C4H10O Ethylene glycol C2H6O2 Glycerol C3H8O3 Cyclohexanol C6H12O Benzyl alcohol C7H8O

KETONES

Acetone C₃H₈O Methyl ethyl ketone C₄H₈O

ORGANIC SULFUR COMPOUNDS

Methyl mercaptan CH4S Ethyl mercaptan C2H6S

INORGANIC COMPOUNDS

Water H₂O Sodium hydroxide NaOH

AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS

Benzene* C6H6 Toluene* C7H8 Ethylbenzene* C8H10 Styrene (vinylbenzene)* C8H8 Xylene* C8H10

HALOGENATED HYDROCARBONS

Methylene chloride* CH2Cl2 Chloroform CHCl3 I,I-dichloroethane* C2H4Cl2 Trichloroethylene C2HCl3 Chlorobenzene* C6H5Cl

ETHERS

Dimethyl ether C_2H_6O Diethyl ether $C_4H_{10}O$ Furan C_4H_4O

OTHERS

Solvents

High-temperature oils Polyethylene glycol Acrylonitrile* Aniline* Diethanolamine* Perchloroethylene* Phenol*

* Clean Air Act Title III Regulated

| Apovac Size | |
|-------------|--|
| 156 | |
| 2510 | |
| 3810 | |
| 3813 | |
| 3817 | |

Operational And Connection Data

MODEL Maximum suction volume without gas ejector (acfm) Ring liquid circulation (gpm) Nominal Coolant flow (gpm) Standard motors class I, division I groups C&D (HP) Nominal speed (RPM) Approximate weight with pump & motor (lbs) Vapor Inlet Nozzle (inches) Coolant In/Out (inches) Gas Outlet Nozzle (inches)



| Dim 'AA' | Dim 'BB' | Dim 'CC' | |
|----------|----------|----------|--|
| 42" | 47" | 73" | |
| 50" | 60" | 90" | |
| 58" | 70" | 98" | |
| 58" | 76" | 98" | |
| 58" | 79" | 98" | |

| 3817 | 3813 | 3810 | 2510 | 156 |
|------|------|------|------|------|
| 425 | 335 | 240 | 170 | 80 |
| 14 | 12 | П | 4.8 | 2.2 |
| 31 | 31 | 22 | 8.8 | 4.4 |
| 40 | 30 | 20 | 15 | 7.5 |
| 1200 | 1200 | 1200 | 1800 | 3600 |
| 3500 | 3400 | 3200 | 2000 | 1100 |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 2.5 | ١.5 |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | 1.5 | I |
| 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1.5 |

Connections for filling, level measurement, drain, and overflow: ${\sf I}"$

Material of construction: 316L stainless steel; other special materials on request ASME code stamp

Design temperature -20 to 248°F Design pressure 60 PSIG/Full Vacuum (process) 90 PSIG/Full Vacuum (coolant)





system applications

FLEXIBLE AND HIGH PERFORMING APOVAC TECHNOLOGY PROVIDES MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY IN A WIDE VARIETY OF VACUUM SOLVENT RECOVERY AND CONTROL APPLICATIONS.



Combivac[®] Systems The Combivac Multi Stage Vacuum System Blower and Integrated Gas Ejector is designed for vacuum to Imm Hg absolute and better. The Combivac System is a highly efficient serial arrangement of Roots blowers, gas ejector and liquid-ring vacuum pumps. The Combivac System assures completely oil-free compression and evacuates gases and vapors at the lowest possible suction pressure. Standard Combivac units feature closed ring liquid circuits for process vapor condensation. This environment friendly system effectively recovers solvent and eliminates cooling media contamination.



Additional information about standard Combivac models is available by contacting De Dietrich Process Systems. (Photo A)

Compovac[®] Systems The Compovac Gas Recirculation System is designed to handle the gas requirements of filtration and drying in a Nutsche Filter/Dryer. The systems can be configured to perform convection drying, vacuum drying with solvent recovery and exhaust gas emission control. During drying in the blow through phase of filtration, the system recirculates compressed dry gas back into the filter resulting in minimum nitrogen consumption. (Photo B)



WHATEVER YOUR SOLVENT RECOVERY NEEDS, DE DIETRICH PROCESS SYSTEMS IS READY WITH THE SOLUTION YOU NEED.

Drying, Distillation, Evaporation and

Reaction The Apovac system is uniquely suited for these applications where single or multiple solvents are used. Typical solvents include methylene chloride, isopropanol, acetone, hexane, toluene and propylene glycol (Photo C). Others are shown in the Common Ring Liquids table.

Neutralization Using a pH adjusted caustic soda or similar liquid as the ring liquid neutralizes corrosive and toxic vapors in the Apovac system. A static mixer added upstream of the liquid ring pump allows for high scrubbing efficiency (Photo D).

Custom Design De Dietrich Process Systems Engineering can custom design the Apovac system to address the unique requirements of your application. Customization can include pre-condensers, demisters, special exhaust condensers, dual-pump systems, PLC control and full instrumentation (Photo E).

Replacement of Existing Vacuum Systems Replacing an inefficient steam jet system with an Apovac system can eliminate high water usage and environmental problems. Apovac systems eliminate the oil contamination and high maintenance often associated with conventional rotary vane vacuum pumps.





(Photo C) Apovac vacuum system as an integrated component of a distillation, rectification and drying system in a pharmaceutical plant.

(Photo D) Apovac system with integrated static mixer.

(Photo E) Custom compressor system.



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