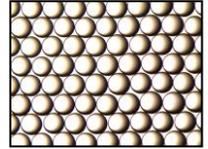


**DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 K/350 Chromatography Resin**

Separation Resin Primarily Used for the Purification of Sugar from Beet Molasses

Description

DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 K/350 Chromatography Resin is a strong acid cation resin manufactured in a process that produces an extremely uniform particle size. This resin was specifically developed for use in simulated moving bed (SMB) chromatographic systems for the recovery and purification of beet sugar that are limited due to pressure drop.



DOWEX MONOSPHERE 99 K/350 is specifically designed with a good combination of particle size and rapid kinetics for excellent separator performance. It has been used for decades in chromatography for beet molasses desugarization.

Typical Physical and Chemical Properties**

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| Matrix | Styrene-divinylbenzene, gel |
| Type | Strong acid cation |
| Functional Groups | Sulfonate |
| Physical Form | Amber, translucent, spherical beads |
| Total Exchange Capacity | ≥ 1.5 eq/L (H ⁺ form) |
| Water Retention Capacity | 58 – 62% (H ⁺ form) |
| Ionic Form as Shipped | K⁺ |
| Whole Uncracked Beads | ≥ 98% |
| Particle Density | 1.27 g/mL |
| Bulk Density, as Shipped | 823 g/L |

Typical Bead Size Distribution
(Light Obscuration Instrument Particle Size)**

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| Particle Diameter § | 355 ± 15 µm |
| Broad Range | 320 – 385 µm ≥ 90% |
| Narrow Range | 340 – 375 µm ≥ 75% |
| Fine Beads | < 312 µm ≤ 4% |
| Coarse Beads | > 413 µm ≤ 4% |

§ For additional particle size information, please refer to the [Particle Size Distribution Cross Reference Chart](#) (Form No. 177-01775).

Suggested Operating Conditions**

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| Syrup Temperature | 80 – 85°C (176 – 185°F) |
| Syrup pH | 7 – 12 |
| Dissolved Oxygen Concentration, recommended | < 0.1 ppm |
| Dissolved Oxygen Concentration, maximum | 0.25 ppm |
| Simulated Moving Bed Operation | With optimized tuning (annually) |

It is strongly advised to remove oxygen from feed streams and elution water going into the chromatographic separation resin. Limiting the oxygen concentration to less than 0.1 ppm (0.25 ppm maximum) will maximize resin life.

Hydraulic Characteristics

Bed expansion of DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 K/350 Chromatography Resin as a function of backwash flowrate at 25°C (77°F) is shown in Figure 1. Data for Dow's 320-µm chromatography resin is also provided for comparison. The flowrate necessary to achieve a desired bed expansion for other water temperatures can be calculated with the provided equations.

Pressure drop data for DOWEX MONOSPHERE 99 K/350 as a function of service flowrate with a fluid that has a viscosity of 4 cP is shown in Figure 2. Data for Dow's 320-µm chromatography resin is also provided for comparison.

Figure 1: Backwash Expansion

Temperature = 25°C (77°F)

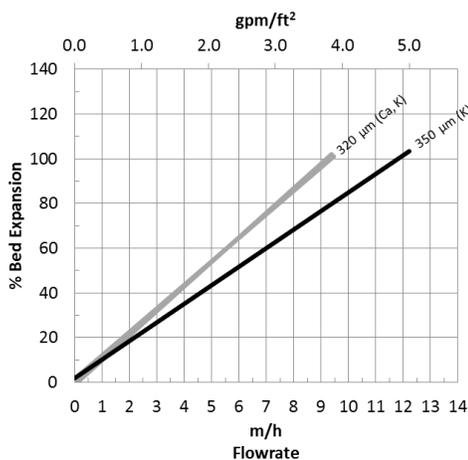
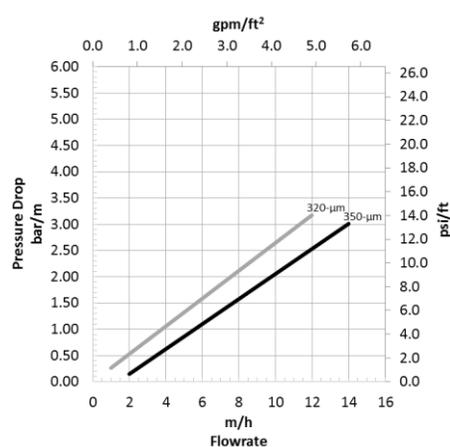


Figure 2: Pressure Drop

Viscosity = 4 cP



For other temperatures use:

$$F_T = F_{25^\circ\text{C}} [1 + 0.008 (1.8T_{\text{C}} - 45)], \text{ where } F \equiv \text{m/h}$$

$$F_T = F_{77^\circ\text{F}} [1 + 0.008 (T_{\text{F}} - 77)], \text{ where } F \equiv \text{gpm/ft}^2$$

Application Information

Refer to the [Dow Separability Advisor™ Bubble Chart](#) (Form No. 177-03658) as a guide regarding the feasibility to separate various binary combinations of sugars and sugar alcohols. Plus, lab testing is available through DIRECTORSM Services to help identify the best product to meet your needs.

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