**DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 Ca/280 and K/280 Chromatographic Separation Resins**

Separation Resin Primarily Used for Crystalline Fructose, Sugar Alcohols, and Novel Separations

**Description**

DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 Chromatographic Separation Resins are strong acid cation resins manufactured in a process that produces an extremely uniform particle size. This family of resins was specifically developed for use in simulated moving bed (SMB) chromatographic systems for the recovery and purification of sweeteners.

The 280-µm members of the DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 family are specifically designed with the combination of particle size and rapid kinetics to maximize SMB performance and minimize product dilution, while keeping pressure drop acceptable for many existing separation systems that utilize 310- or 320-µm beads. The enhanced performance helps to minimize water evaporation costs and is especially valuable in difficult sweetener separations such as high-purity dextrose, crystalline fructose, specialty sugars, and polyols/sugar alcohols.

**DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 Ca/280 Chromatographic Separation Resin** is used for high-purity fructose and polyols/sugar alcohols, and could be considered in some systems for the separation of glucose and fructose in the production of high fructose corn syrup (HFCS).

**DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 K/280 Chromatographic Separation Resin** is used in chromatography for high-purity dextrose production, the separation of polyols/sugar alcohols, and betaine purification.

Either ionic form can be used in other specialty separations, depending on the binary pair of constituents. ‡

**Applications**

- High-purity fructose production
- High-purity dextrose production
- Polyols/sugar alcohols separation
- Betaine purification
- High fructose corn syrup (HFCS) production
- Specialty separations ‡

‡ Refer to the DuPont 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 System Optimization Services™ (SOS) to help identify the best product to meet your needs.
## Typical Properties

### Physical Properties
- Copolymer: Styrene-divinylbenzene
- Matrix: Gel
- Type: Strong acid cation
- Functional Group: Sulfonic acid
- Physical Form: Amber, translucent, spherical beads

### Chemical Properties
- Ionic Form as Shipped: Ca$^{2+}$, K$^+$
- Total Exchange Capacity: ≥ 1.5 eq/L (H$^+$ form) ≥ 1.5 eq/L (H$^+$ form)
- Water Retention Capacity: 57 – 61% (H$^+$ form) 57 – 61% (H$^+$ form)

### Stability
- Whole Uncracked Beads: ≥ 97% ≥ 97%

### Density
- Particle Density: 1.29 g/mL 1.28 g/mL

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<th>Ca$^{2+}$</th>
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<td>Particle Diameter</td>
<td>275 ± 15 µm</td>
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<td>Broad Range</td>
<td>243 – 309 µm ≥ 80%</td>
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<td>Narrow Range</td>
<td>256 – 293 µm ≥ 60%</td>
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<td>Fine Beads</td>
<td>&lt; 242 µm ≤ 8%</td>
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<td>Coarse Beads</td>
<td>&gt; 335 µm ≤ 8%</td>
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§ 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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<th>Fructose or HFCS (Ca$^{2+}$ form)</th>
<th>Polyols (Ca$^{2+}$ or K$^+$ form)</th>
<th>Betaine (K$^+$ form)</th>
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<td>Syrup Temperature</td>
<td>60 – 71°C (140 – 160°F)</td>
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<td>Syrup pH</td>
<td>4 – 7</td>
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<td>Dissolved Oxygen</td>
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<td>&lt; 0.1 ppm</td>
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<td>Maximum</td>
<td>0.25 ppm</td>
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<td>Simulated Moving Bed Operation</td>
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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 help maximize resin life.
Hydraulic Characteristics

Estimated bed expansion of the 280-µm size of DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 Chromatographic Separation Resin as a function of backwash flowrate at 25°C (77°F) is shown in Figure 1. Data for DuPont’s 320- and 310-µm chromatographic separation resins 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.

Estimated pressure drop data for the 280-µm size of DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 as a function of service flowrate and concentration of 42% HFCS (50% D.S. and 30% D.S.) is shown in Figure 2. Data for DuPont’s 320- and 310-µm chromatographic separation resins is also provided for comparison.

Thermal expansion of the 280-µm size of DOWEX MONOSPHERE™ 99 as a function of temperature and ionic form is shown in Figure 3.

**Figure 1: Backwash Expansion**
Temperature = 25°C (77°F)

**Figure 2: Pressure Drop**
Syrup (42% HFCS) Concentration = 30% D.S., 50% D.S.

For other temperatures use:

For backwash flowrate:

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

For service flowrate:

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

**Figure 3: Thermal Expansion**
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