HYDAC Process Technology
Gas Filters
Product Overview
**The Challenge**

Fluid or particulate contaminations of gas can significantly impair the service life of major components of systems and plants. This can result in costly maintenance and repair work, or even complete downtime.

Typical problems caused by solid and fluid aerosols becoming deposited on components include:

- Erosion
- Deposits
- Fouling
- Corrosion

**The HYDAC solution**

Our filtration strategies are geared towards your specific requirements – based on established standard solutions or specially developed components and systems.

- Wide product portfolio
  - Particle filter
  - Coalescence filter
  - Pre-separator
- Compact and maintenance-friendly filter design
- High-quality filter element technology produced in-house
- Optimised filter dimensioning
- Customised designs and special solutions
- Worldwide service and sales
- Continuous development in HYDAC’s own research and development facilities

**Worldwide and local: HYDAC company network**

With over 8000 employees worldwide, HYDAC is one of the leading suppliers of fluid-power, hydraulic and electronic equipment. More than 50 overseas subsidiaries and over 500 sales and service partners guarantee competent on-site service – wherever you need our support.

Our wide range of products, combined with our expertise in development, manufacturing, sales and service, allows HYDAC to provide comprehensive filtration concepts – from individual filter components to the complete system.

**Certified quality for the highest standards**

ISO 9001 QUALITAT MIT SYSTEM

HYDAC Gas Filtration – Service-life Insurance for your System
HYDAC FluidCareCenter

Filter development on a scientific basis
To provide the right environment to develop, revise and optimise filtration solutions tailored to specific applications, HYDAC has established its own research and development centre, the only one of its kind in the world. At the HYDAC FluidCareCenter, fundamental knowledge on fluids and their properties is increased and developments are scrutinized on the test bench.

Individual Filter Calculation

High level of operating reliability thanks to correct filter calculation

Step 1: Checking the prerequisites
● Determining the application data by means of filter specification form (the filter specification form is provided on the second from last page of this brochure)
● Minimum required information for filter calculation: operating pressure, operating temperature, flow rate and gas composition

Step 2: Filter sizing
Determining the filter size on basis of HYDAC calculation software*:
● The calculation software calculates the pressure loss curve for the gas filter in accordance with the present process conditions
● Calculation of the pressure drop also takes into consideration the actual filter geometry and real gas behaviour
● A mixture of up to five gases can be selected as the medium
● If the gas components are in a liquid state, they will be identified and the volume percentage will be calculated
● The result is also given in graph form

Step 3: Determining the filtration rating
● As a basic rule: as coarse as possible – as fine as necessary

* The customer-specific filter calculation is performed exclusively at HYDAC Head Office

Gas flow [Nm³/h]
Gas composition:
Methane: 69 mol.%
Propane: 15 mol.%
Ethane: 11 mol.%
i-pentane: 2 mol.%
Carbon dioxide: 3 mol.%

Bubble-point test bench
- Quality testing for filter elements to ISO 2942

Hydromechanical test field/universal test bench
Measurement of:
- Collapse burst pressure to ISO 2941
- Flow change fatigue strength to ISO 3724
- Flow characteristics to ISO 3968

Multi-pass test rig
- Filtration performance and contamination retention
- Inspection with MultiPass-Test ISO 16889

Lab services / technical cleanliness

Testing and characterisation of filter elements for gas filters to ISO 12500
- Characterisation of coalescence filter media
- Fractional separation efficiency/distribution measurement: determination of aerosol percentage in raw and pure gases
- Automated test sequences

Results:
- Gas: CO₂, CH₄, C₃H₈, C₂H₆, n-pentane
- Specifications:
  - Gas composition
  - Flow rate:
  - Gas temperature:
  - Pressure drop:
  - Pressure rise:
  - Measured pressure drop:

Inlet to outlet
Only filter element

Pressure drop [mbar]
0 20 40 60 80 100 120 140
0 100 200 300 400 500 600
Gas flow [Nm³/h]
Separation Methods
Gas Filtration

The aim of the gas filtration is the reliable removal of particles (sand, rust, abrasion, paraffins, asphaltene, etc.) and fluids (aerosols, oil mist, condensate, etc.). Filtration can generally be divided up into the following focal areas:

- **Solids** (particle filtration)
- **Fluids** (coalescence filtration)
- **Combination of solids & fluids** (coalescence filtration)

### Pre-filtration

In the case of severe gas contamination and surging fluids, using a pre-separator upstream from the main filter is strongly recommended. **There are two procedures to choose from:**

**Demister**

In a demister (droplet separator), the moist gas is fed through a demister pack (wire mesh) where it is redirected repeatedly. A baffle plate can be placed upstream from the demister pack to separate surging fluids and coarse particle contaminations. As fluid droplets have a greater inertia than the gas, they become deposited and as the deposits increase they flow down into a collection area.

**HYDAC product:**

- GDS

**Cyclone**

The tangential in-flow and tapering housing cross-section encourage a downwards spiral flow to form. Particles and aerosols are pressed against the housing wall by centrifugal forces and they sediment in a collection space in the bottom section. The cyclone is suitable for separating both high solid particle content and fluid.

**HYDAC product:**

- GCS

### Particle filtration

In gas filtration, depth filter media are mainly used. In certain less critical applications, however, a surface filter such as a screen basket filter may also be sufficient.

**Surface filtration**

Particles are mainly separated at the surface of the filter material (nominal retention rate – 90 to 95% of particles above the specified filtration rating). Once a specified pressure loss is reached, the filter elements need to be cleaned.

**HYDAC product:**

- GFS, GFL

**Depth filtration**

The medium to be filtered passes into the filter structure. The particles to be removed remain caught in the deeper layers of the filter (absolute retention rate – at least 99.5% of particles above the specified filtration rating must be retained). As the filter element fills up, flow resistance rises, causing the differential pressure across the filter element to increase. The filter elements need to be cleaned or replaced.

**HYDAC products:**

- GFL, GFH, GF1, GF2, GF3, GF4, FGF, GPF

### Coalescence filtration

In coalescence filtration, depth filter materials are used exclusively. In a coalescence filter, the gas is fed through a highly permeable mesh aerosols make contact with the fibres and are retained there as the result of adhesion force. Separated fluids can retain further aerosols, with the droplets gradually becoming larger and then flowing downwards as the result of gravity.

The filter materials are selected to enable all physical coalescence mechanisms to be utilised optimally.

1 = Direct absorption: 
droplet size > 1 μm

2 = Inertia collision: 
droplet size 0.3 to 1 μm

3 = Diffusion/
"Brownian motion": 
droplet size < 0.3 μm

**HYDAC products:**

- GFL, GFH, GF1, GF2, GF3, GF4, GCF
## HYDAC Gas Filters – the Various Types

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Double filter HYDAC exclusive
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**Chemicorn® metal fibre**

- **Special features**
  - Depth filter material (absolute retention rate)
  - Pore size is continuously reduced from contaminated side to clean side, particles of various sizes are deposited in the depth structure of the filter layers with minimum influence on the flow behaviour
  - Sintered stainless steel fibres – no fibre migration possible
  - High chemical, mechanical and thermal stability
  - Easy to pleat
  - High porosity: up to 80 %

- **Technical data**
  - Filter material: stainless steel (1.4401)
  - Filtration rating: 0.1 µm to 25 µm
  - Temperature: up to max +400 °C

- **Advantages**
  - Minimum pressure loss thanks to high porosity
  - No electrostatic charge buildup
  - No fibre migration
  - High pressure stability
  - Increased filter element service life
  - Very large filter area when fleece folded in star pleat

**Processmicron glass fibre fleece**

- **Special features**
  - Depth filter material (absolute retention rate)
  - Pore size is continuously reduced from contaminated side to clean side, particles of various sizes are deposited in the depth structure of the filter layers with minimum influence on the flow behaviour
  - Good chemical, mechanical and thermal stability

- **Technical data**
  - Filter media: combination of micro glass fibre media and wire mesh
  - Filtration rating: 0.1 µm to 20 µm absolute
  - Temperature: up to max +100 °C

- **Advantages**
  - Minimum pressure loss thanks to high porosity
  - No electrostatic charge buildup
  - No fibre migration
  - High pressure stability
  - Low pressure loss
HYDAC Betterfit Gas Filter Elements

HYDAC Betterfit filter elements have the same functional qualities and dimensions as standard coalescence filter elements available on the market.

There are two filter element types to choose from:
- Version with standard market design
- Betterfit – optimised design for more system reliability

Two filter materials to choose from:
- Chemicron® metal fibre fleece for applications with aggressive gases or higher temperature ranges
- Processmicron glass fibre fleece for unproblematic gases and low temperature ranges

Chemicron® metal fibre

Technical data:
- Chemicron® metal fibre fleece, sintered
- Depth filtration up to 0.1 µm (solids or droplets)
- Burst pressure > 30 bar

Processmicron glass fibre fleece

Technical data:
- Processmicron glass fibre fleece
- Depth filtration up to 0.1 µm (solids or droplets)
- Burst pressure > 12 bar

Advantages over conventional market design:
- More reliable component protection
- Higher-quality filter elements
- Optimum filter service life
- Increased safety of operation
- Lower maintenance and spare part costs
## Product Overview

**HYDAC Gas Filters GF Series**

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|       |                    | $T_{\text{min}} / T_{\text{max}}$: $-46 \, ^\circ C / +235 \, ^\circ C$  
|       |                    | $p_{\text{max}}$: 16 bar  
|       |                    | Connection size: DN 50 – DN 1000  
|       |                    | Housing material: Stainless steel, Carbon steel  
|       |                    | Screen basket material, filtration rating: Wire mesh, 25 µm – 500 µm  
|       |                    | Perforated plate, 1000 µm – 10000 µm |
| GFL   | Up to 16 bar       | **Technical data**  
|       |                    | $T_{\text{min}} / T_{\text{max}}$: $-46 \, ^\circ C / +295 \, ^\circ C$  
|       |                    | $p_{\text{max}}$: 16 bar  
|       |                    | Connection size: DN 50 – DN 1000  
|       |                    | Housing material: Stainless steel, Carbon steel  
|       |                    | Filter material, filtration rating: Chemicron® metal fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Processmicron glass fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Wire mesh, 20 µm – 500 µm |
| GF4   | Operating pressure | **Technical data**  
|       | Up to 100 bar      | $T_{\text{min}} / T_{\text{max}}$: $-46 \, ^\circ C / +235 \, ^\circ C$  
|       |                    | $p_{\text{max}}$: 100 bar  
|       |                    | Connection size: G 1"  
|       |                    | Housing material: Stainless steel  
|       |                    | Filter material, filtration rating: Chemicron® metal fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Wire mesh, 20 µm – 500 µm |
| FGF   | Up to 100 bar      | **Technical data**  
|       |                    | $T_{\text{min}} / T_{\text{max}}$: $-46 \, ^\circ C / +235 \, ^\circ C$  
|       |                    | $p_{\text{max}}$: 250 bar  
|       |                    | Connection size: DN 50 – DN 200  
|       |                    | Housing material: Stainless steel  
|       |                    | Filter material, filtration rating: Chemicron® metal fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Processmicron glass fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  

| GF3   | Operating pressure | **Technical data**  
|       | Up to 400 bar      | $T_{\text{min}} / T_{\text{max}}$: $-46 \, ^\circ C / +235 \, ^\circ C$  
|       |                    | $p_{\text{max}}$: 400 bar  
|       |                    | Connection size: G 1/2" to G 2"  
|       |                    | Housing material: Stainless steel  
|       |                    | Filter material, filtration rating: Chemicron® metal fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Wire mesh, 20 µm – 500 µm |
| GFH   | Operating pressure | **Technical data**  
|       | Up to 1050 bar     | $T_{\text{min}} / T_{\text{max}}$: $-196 \, ^\circ C / +85 \, ^\circ C$  
|       |                    | $p_{\text{max}}$: 1050 bar  
|       |                    | Connection size: Autoclave ¼" – 9/16 tube  
|       |                    | Housing material: Stainless steel  
|       |                    | Filter material, filtration rating: Chemicron® metal fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Wire mesh, 20 µm – 500 µm |
| GF1   | Operating pressure | **Technical data**  
|       | Up to 1050 bar     | $T_{\text{min}} / T_{\text{max}}$: $-40 \, ^\circ C / +85 \, ^\circ C$  
|       |                    | $p_{\text{max}}$: 1000 bar  
|       |                    | Connection size: Autoclave ¼" – 9/16 tube  
|       |                    | Housing material: Duplex (1.4462)  
|       |                    | Filter material, filtration rating: Chemicron® metal fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Wire mesh, 20 µm – 500 µm |
| GF2   | Operating pressure | **Technical data**  
|       |                    | $T_{\text{min}} / T_{\text{max}}$: $-46 \, ^\circ C / +255 \, ^\circ C$  
|       |                    | $p_{\text{max}}$: 700 bar  
|       |                    | Connection size: Autoclave ¼" – 9/16 tube, NPT ¼" – ½"  
|       |                    | Housing material: Stainless steel, Duplex (1.4462)  
|       |                    | Filter material, filtration rating: Chemicron® metal fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Processmicron glass fibre fleece, 0.1 µm – 25 µm  
|       |                    | Wire mesh, 20 µm – 500 µm |

All gas filters in the GF series are available with particle and coalescence filter elements (except GFS). Other filter designs on request.

* Stainless steel: 1.4571 or similar (Group 316); others on request
Gas Particle Filter GPF for Particle Filtration

Application range
- Filtration of dry gases

Features
- Reversible double stainless-steel filter
- Double Block and Bleed variant for applications with high pressures and hazardous gases
- Low-Pressure variant available for applications with low pressures

Advantages
- Pressure-loss-optimised design
- Reliable filtration of particulate contamination down to 0.1 µm
- Compact design
- Double-sealing design for hazardous gases
- Design with no weld seams for best corrosion resistance (H₂S)
- No pressure loss caused by switchover process
- Simple filter element change
- High contamination retention capacity of the filter elements
- No reduction in cross-section (particularly change-over valve and filter element)
- No welded parts

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Function
- The gas to be filtered enters the filter housing through the filter inlet on the bottom change-over valve
- Flow through the filter element is from the inside to the outside
- Particle contaminations are held and retained in the filter element

Change-over does not interrupt filtration
- Filtration is performed either in the left or the right filter housing
- The adjacent filter housing is first pressurised via the pressure balance valve
- The balance valve is either flange-mounted to the change-over valve or integrated into a separate line. It joins both housings on the clean side
- After hydraulic balance has been achieved, the filter is changed over by the double change-over valve
- Practically no pressure loss during change-over thanks to maximum negative overlap of the change-over balls (change-over ball valve specially developed by HYDAC Accessories)
- Constant gas flow even during change-over
Gas Coalescer Filter GCF
for Particle and Aerosol Filtration

Application range
- Filtration of moist gases

Features
- Reversible double stainless-steel filter
- Double Block and Bleed variant for applications with high pressures and hazardous gases
- Low-Pressure variant available for applications with low pressures

Advantages
- Pressure-loss-optimised design
- Reliable filtration of fluid and particulate contamination down to 0.1 µm
- Compact design
- Double-sealing design for hazardous gases
- Design with no weld seams for best corrosion resistance (H₂S)
- No pressure loss caused by switchover process
- Simple filter element change
- High contamination retention capacity of the filter elements
- No reduction in cross-section (particularly change-over valve and filter element)
- No welded parts

Circuit diagram, GCF without cyclone

Function
- The gas to be filtered enters the filter housing through the filter inlet on the bottom change-over valve
- Flow through the filter element is from the inside to the outside
- Particle contaminations are held and retained in the filter element
- Fluid media (aerosols, oil mist) are coalesced at the filter element
- If the liquid phase percentage in the gas is too high, preventing full coalescence at the filter element at normal filtration speeds, using a pre-separator is recommended

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HyDAC ball change-over valve
Gas Coalescer Filter GCF with Integrated Cyclone PrePARATOR

Application range
- For applications where moist gases and a large amount of aerosols, oil mists or condensate can be expected

Features
- Efficient pre-separation of fluids and coarse contamination by means of integrated cyclone pre-separator
- Depending on the operating conditions, the cyclone can separate aerosols down to 5 µm and particle contamination down to 2 µm
- Significantly longer filter element service life thanks to integrated cyclone pre-separator
- Pressure-loss- and flow-optimised design (compared with upstream gas separators)
- Double Block and Bleed variant for applications with high pressures and/or hazardous gases

Advantages
- Reliable filtration of fluid and particulate contamination down to 0.1 µm
- Double-sealing design for hazardous gases
- Design with no weld seams for best corrosion resistance (H2S)
- No pressure loss caused by switchover process
- Simple filter element change
- High contamination retention capacity of the filter elements
- No reduction in cross-section (particularly change-over valve)
- Cost reduction in overall system thanks to flow- and pressure-loss-optimised integrated cyclone pre-separator

Versions
- Single filter
- Double filter (Single Block)
- Double filter (Double Block and Bleed DBB)

Connection sizes
- DN 15 to DN 50

Standard pressure ranges
- Up to 250 bar

Tmin / Tmax
- -46 °C to +230 °C

Filtration rating
- 0.1 µm to 25 µm

Filter element type
- Coalescence filter element: Chemicron® metal fibre fleece
- Processmicron glass fibre fleece

Housing material*
- Stainless steel: 1.4571 or similar (Group 316)

Sealing material
- Standard: FKM EDR
- Optional: FEPM / FFKM / FVMQ / NBR

*Other materials / filter designs on request

Circuit diagram, GCF with integrated cyclone pre-separator

Function
- The gas to be filtered enters the filter housing through the filter inlet on the bottom change-over valve
- Surging fluids and larger aerosol quantities and coarse contaminant particles are filtered at the cyclone. Depending on the operating conditions (type of gas, pressure, density, temperature, speed), the cyclone separates aerosols and particle contamination down to 5 µm
- This provides significant relief for the filter elements downstream, thus extending their service life considerably
- Flow through the filter elements is from the inside to the outside
- Particle contamination is collected and retained in the filter element. In addition liquid phases (aerosols/oil mists) are coalesced by the filter element
- The separated liquids are collected inside the filter housing in collecting chambers (contaminated side: cyclone trap/clean side: chamber beneath the filter element) and they can be drained via appropriate valves
- The volumes of the collection chambers are dimensioned generously to allow reliable draining from the filter even for surging fluids

Change-over does not interrupt filtration
- See description on page 19
Pre-Separator
Gas Cyclone Separator GCS

Application range
- The cyclone is suitable for filtering both high solid particle contents and fluids
- Separation of aerosol droplets (> 5 µm) and surging fluids before main filtration

Features
- The cyclone has a more compact design and greater separation performance than a demister, as it is less sensitive to fluctuations in the operating conditions (pressure and flow)

Alternative solution (cost reduction):
- HYDAC seal gas filter with integrated cyclone: patented change-over double filter, optimised for flow and pressure loss (see page 20/21)

Advantages
- Stable separation rate, covering a wide range of filtrate speeds
- Maintenance-free and wear-free as no consumable parts, such as demister pack or filter elements
- Maximum safety thanks to double seals
- Self-cleaning

Function
- The tangential in-flow and tapering housing cross-section encourage a downwards spiral flow to form
- Particles and aerosols are pressed against the housing wall by centrifugal forces and they are fed through a collection space in the bottom section

Pre-Separator
Gas Demister Separator GDS

Application range
- Separation of aerosol droplets (> 15 µm) and surging fluids before main filtration

Features
- Unlike a cyclone, the demister is not entirely suitable for solid contamination and fluctuating operating conditions, as this greatly impairs the filtration performance

Advantages
- Maximum safety thanks to double seals
- Low-maintenance thanks to particularly long-life demister pack design
- Low pressure loss

Function
- In a demister (droplet separator), the moist gas is fed through a demister pack (wire mesh) where it is redirected repeatedly
- A baffle plate is placed upstream from the demister pack
- As fluid droplets have a greater inertia than the gas, they become deposited and as the deposits increase they flow down into a collection area

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Typical Application Examples

**Power plants**

Application:
In order to function at their best, fuel gas systems require clean and dry gases. If pre-filtration is insufficient, solids and aerosols can enter the combustion system unhindered, causing wear and abrasion in components and necessitating costly maintenance and repair work.

**Fuel gas filtration**
HYDAC solutions: GCF, GFL, GFS

**Air filtration**
HYDAC solutions: GFL, GFS

**Cooling water filtration**
HYDAC solutions:
- Coarse filter: AutoFilt® RF series
- Fine filter: Inline filter

**Turbo machines in the petrochemical industry**

Application:
Dry gas seals of turbo machines are very complex systems and extremely sensitive to contamination by solid particles, aerosols and condensates. As the shaft rotates, a tiny gap of just 3 µm forms on the seal through which the seal gas flows. To protect this seal, the seal gases must be filtered appropriately to ensure the seal has as long a service life as possible.

**HYDAC solutions:**
- GCF with or without cyclone pre-separator, GCS, GDS
- GPF

**Offshore and marine**

Application:
To allow ship engines and subsystems to function optimally, clean and dry gases are needed. If pre-filtration is insufficient, solids and aerosols can enter the system unhindered, causing wear and abrasion in components and necessitating costly maintenance and repair work.

**Air filtration**
HYDAC solutions: GPF, GFL, GF3

**Fuel gas filtration**
HYDAC solutions: GCF, GFL, FGF

**Flushing gas filtration**
HYDAC solutions: GFL, GFS
Application:
In the oil and gas industry, clean gases are needed to provide smooth functioning and to protect all kinds of components:
- Injection nozzles, rotor blades and other turbine components, such as measurement equipment and seals
- Rotor blades and seal gas seals of compressors along with their measurement and control equipment
- Service work: flushing of fuel gas lines with non-hazardous gases (e.g. N₂ or inert gas)

Air filtration
HYDAC solutions: GPF, GFL, GF3

Fuel gas filtration
HYDAC solutions: GCF, GFL, GCS, GDS

Seal gas filtration
HYDAC solutions: GCF, GFL, GCS, GDS

Flushing gas filtration
HYDAC solutions: GFL, GFS

Water injection
HYDAC solutions: Coarse filter: AutoFilt® RF series
Fine filter: inline filter

Pipeline flushing
HYDAC solutions: Screen basket filter, AutoFilt® RF series, inline filter

Sealing water filtration
HYDAC solutions: Screen basket filter, AutoFilt® RF series, inline filter

MEG filtration
HYDAC solutions: Customer-specific filter element technology

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