

Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element - HPP

The Sani Membranes Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element is a fully fused membrane element consisting of a small stack of Sani Membranes Free Flow Plates™, bonded together and ready to use in the Sani Membranes pilot equipment line (HPPM06, HPPM12, HPP-Vibro etc.). The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element is from start designed with sanitary applications in mind. The only material used is polypropylene and all bonding of plates and membranes are done with welding techniques, no glues or bonding materials are used. The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element can be equipped with virtually any MF or UF membrane.



The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element – HPP



The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element mounted in a MF/UF pilot plant

- The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element has a very low cross flow resistance - this secures low energy consumption and optimal membrane flux in a very sanitary element.
- The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element has a very uniform trans membrane pressure (TMP) - this ensures sharper membrane cut off.
- The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element can operate at very low and uniform trans membrane pressures (TMP) - this gives you the possibility of new applications.
- The membrane surface of the Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element is visible during operation in our pilot units – this gives direct insight into fouling and cleaning.
- The membrane to membrane free flow distance is 1,7mm – this leads to unprecedented CIP efficiency and the ability to handle difficult feeds with high viscosity and high solids loading.
- No feed spacers are used to promote turbulent flow – this means no fouling promoted by feed spacers.
- The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element has an integrated and open permeate channel design - this means that the retentate as well as the permeate can be drained completely by gravity alone and leads to shorter CIP cycles, less water usage, and NO product loss (i.e. very little white water in dairy).
- The integrated design of the permeate channels gives you the possibility of CIP cleaning both the feed and permeate sides effectively.
- The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element operates at pH 1-14 and at temperatures up to 85°C, practically limited by the mounted membrane or filter material.
- The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element has a membrane area of 0,35 m² and can be fitted with virtually any commercially available membrane.
- The only material used in the Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element is polypropylene.
- The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element conforms to FDA materials and sanitary standards; No glues or bonding materials are used to assemble the HPP.

Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Elements makes up-scaling to plant size easy.

- The Sani Membranes' Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element is easily mounted into our MF / UF Pilot units, and virtually any type of membrane or filter can be tested.
- The function of the Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element is the same as in a full-size plant utilizing the Free Flow Plate™ technique.
- The SANI-Vibro uses one element, that is easily exchanged or cleaned in place.
- The Free Flow Plate™ Pilot Element can also be used in customized systems. All fittings etc. are readily available.

The HPP is available in 3 different materials depending upon application.

- Sani Membranes' standard material Polypropylene Nature is for sanitary applications with CIP below 75°C.
- Sani Membranes' water material Polypropylene Gray is for all water applications with CIP below 75°C.
- Sani Membranes' high temperature material Polypropylene HT is for sanitary applications with high temperature CIP (up to 85°C).

Free Flow Plate™ Materials					
Code	Name	Material	Application	pH	Max-Temp.
S	Standard	Polypropylene Nature	Sanitary	1-14	75°C
W	Water	Polypropylene Gray	Water	1-14	65°C
H	High Temperature	Polypropylene HT	Sanitary	1-14	85°C

Module Data and Operating Conditions	
Generic Design	Free Flow Plate™. Fused Polypropylenes
Membrane Type	Most organic membranes (MF, UF, NF, RO) and other filter types (woven, sintered etc.)
Membrane Area	0,35 m ²
Dimensions (L x W x H)	242mm x 30mm x 202mm
Viscosity Range, Apparent	1-1000 cP (e.g. Cream Cheese+)
Temperature Range	5-85°C *
pH Range	1-14 *
Cross Flow Velocity at Turbulent Flow	0,9 m/s, recommended CF 1,3 m/s (Water)
Operating Pressure	0-10 bar
Free Chlorine	Membrane dependent*

* Depending on membrane specifications

The HPP can be equipped with your membrane of choice. SANI Membranes have a line of standard MF and UF no-name membranes which are on limited stock. Most commercial available brand name membranes can however also be used with the HPP. Please, do not hesitate to contact us with your membrane wishes.

Standard Membranes*								
Code	Name	Producer	Type	MWCO/ Pore Size	Membrane Material	None-woven material	pH	Max-Temp.
UF5KD	No Name		UF	5.000 Da	Polyethersulfone (PES)	Polypropylene (PP)	1-13	75°C
UF10KD	No Name		UF	10.000 Da	Polysulfone (Hydrophilic PS)	Polypropylene (PP)	1-13	75°C
UF25KD	No Name		UF	25.000 Da	Polysulfone (PS)	Polypropylene (PP)	1-13	75°C
UF50KD	No Name		UF	50.000 Da	Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)	Polyethylene (PE)	2-11	55°C
UF300KD	No Name		UF	300.000 Da	Polyethersulfone (PES)	Polyethylene (PE)	2-11	55°C
UF800KD	No Name		UF/MF	800.000 Da	Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)	Polypropylene (PP)	2-11	55°C
MF2	No Name		MF	0,2 µm	Fluoropolymer	Polypropylene (PP)	1-11	60°C
MF5	No Name		MF	0,5 µm	Fluoropolymer	Polypropylene (PP)	1-11	60°C
MF8	No Name		MF	0,8 µm	Fluoropolymer	Polypropylene (PP)	1-11	60°C

*Our standard 'no name' membranes are always on limited stock (Please ask if your preferred membrane specifications are not included on the list)

Brand Membranes*								
Code	Name	Producer	Type	MWCO/ Pore Size	Membrane Material	None-woven material	pH	Max-Temp.
Fr pht	Synder		UF/MF	800.000 Da	Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)	Polypropylene (PP)	2-11	55°C
LX	Synder		UF	300.000 Da	Polyethersulfone (PES)	Polyethylene (PE)	2-11	55°C
BN	Synder		UF	50.000 Da	Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)	Polyethylene (PE)	2-11	55°C
BY	Synder		UF	100.000 Da	Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)	Polyethylene (PE)	2-11	55°C

*Examples of brand membranes we can supply (Please ask if your preferred membrane is not included, most commercial available membranes can be supplied)

