





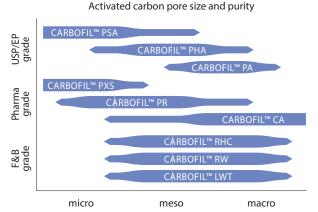
CARBOFIL™

Depth filter media with immobilized carbon

Introduction

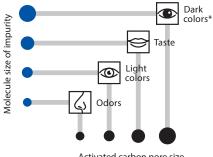
Powdered activated carbons (PAC) play a critical role in a vast and diverse range of applications. Decolorization, deodorization or the removal of other trace impurities are amongst the most common applications where PAC are widely used in the pharmaceutical as well as in the food & beverage industries. Due to their unique adsorption characteristics, PAC are also used in biotechnological processing and the production of fine chemicals. In order to meet these various demands, there are a large number of activated car-

bons available, offering different levels of activation, molecular structure and purity levels. Using activated carbon in an immobilized form (e.g. in a depth filter sheet or lenticular module) offers significant benefits in handling, cleaning and time (cost savings), compared to using PAC. FILTROX CARBOFIL™ products bring out all the benefits of immobilized activated carbon versus PAC. Furthermore, the adsorption efficiency of immobilized activated carbon is higher than with an equivalent amount of bulk PAC.



Pore size distribution

Activated carbon is a highly porous adsorptive material. Organic contaminants get trapped within the pores. Pore sizes vary between micropores, mesopores and macropores with various pore size distribution patterns amongst different activated carbons, depending on the activation method and the material source involved.

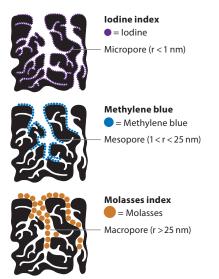


Activated carbon pore size

Activated carbon selection

Based on these characteristics, it can be determined which types of molecules are adsorbed by a certain activated carbon. The size of the molecules adsorbed is directly related to the pore size distribution of the activated carbon.

* Dark colors, proteins and foaming agents



Activated carbon characterization

Pore size distribution of a certain activated carbon is responsible for its specific adsorption pattern which is characterized by iodine number, methylene blue adsorption and molasses number.

Applications

Various industries - diverse applications

CARBOFIL™ products can be used as flat sheets in a plate and frame filter such as in the NOVOX® series, or they may

be applied as FILTRODISC™ lenticular modules in closed housings such as the DISCSTAR™ series.

	Decolorization	Removal of organic impurities
Biopharmaceutical industry	AlbuminVitaminsAntibioticsVaccines	 Removal of PKA from human plasma fractions Removal of endotoxins Removal of organic impurities from contrast liquids
Chemical industry	APISilicon oilsSolventsFine chemicals	 Catalyst recovery Heavy metal reduction Removal of organic impurities Decolorization
Flavors & fragrancies industry	Plant / herbal extractsFragrances	Deodorization of ethanolRemoval of pesticides from extracts
Food & beverage industry	Sugar syrupSpiritsCider	Removal of off-tastes from spiritsRemoval of bitterness from soupsDecolorization

Convenient media grade selection

CARBOFIL™ products are available with various different grades. To assist in finding the most suitable CARBOFIL™ grade for any application, FILTROX offers the easy-to-use

CARBOFIL™ Test Kit. For further information about the Test Kit contact your local FILTROX representative or our FILTROX experts (applications@filtrox.com).











As a global market leader in depth filtration, FILTROX offers complete solutions for filtration of high value liquids.

We are experts in development, manufacturing and supply of Swiss top quality products for a wide range of applications in pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, chemicals and cosmetics as well as in food and

beverage. Since 1938, we have been developing and manufacturing both filter media as well as filtration equipment in-house. Based on this experience, we can offer our customers a complete range of products.

FILTROX's worldwide distribution network and comprehensive technical support will help you optimize your filtration process.

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