# Technical Information

# Depth Filtration BECOPAD<sup>®</sup> Range



# Premium Mineral-Free Depth Filter Medium

BECOPAD depth filter medium from Eaton's Begerow Product Line is characterized by maximum purity. BECOPAD offers exceptionally high chemical resistance both in alkaline and acidic applications.

Eaton's innovative BECOPAD depth filter sheet's range, high-purity celluloses form a unique structure, which even for microbe removal does not require mineral components.

The specific advantages of BECOPAD depth filter medium:

- Very good chemical and mechanical resistance
- Mineral-free, therefore low ion content
- Virtually no ash content, therefore optimum ashing
- Low charge-related adsorption
- 20% higher performance
- Rinsing volume reduced by 50%, resulting in reduced process costs
- Drip losses reduced by 99% in open filter systems
- Biodegrable

## Ingredients

BECOPAD depth filter medium is made only of highpurity cellulose and wet strength materials.

## Areas of Application

BECOPAD depth filter medium can be used for filtration of any liquid media.

Application options range from coarse to superfine filtration.

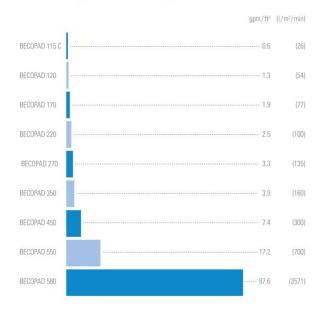
## **BECOPAD Depth Filter Medium**

BECOPAD depth filter medium is very low cationic. This means there is only a minor charge-related adsorption during the filtration. Valuable substances are not adsorbed and remain in the filtrate. The chemical resistance and the mechanical stability are exceptionally high.





#### Water throughput BECOPAD range



Conditions:  $\Delta p = 14.5 \text{ psi}$  (100 kPa, 1 bar), Medium: Water at 68 °F (20 °C)

BECOPAD depth filter medium is therefore particularly suitable for applications involving primarily mechanical separation of particles from aggressive media, e.g., for catalyst and/or activated carbon removal. For applications where the important substance should remain in the filtrate – e.g., in the flavor or cosmetic industry – the BECOPAD depth filter medium is ideal due to the low charge-related adsorption.



# **Physical Data**

This information is intended as a guideline for the selection of BECOPAD depth filter medium.

Туре	Article no.	Nominal retention	Thickness	Ash content	Bursting strength wet	Water throughput at	
		range µm	in (mm)	%	psi (kPa)	Δ p = 14.5 psi gpm/ft <sup>2</sup>	(Δ p = 100 kPa* I/m²/min)
BECOPAD 115 C	Q2C11	0.1 – 0.2	0.16 (4.1)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	0.6	(26)
BECOPAD 120	Q2112	0.1 – 0.3	0.15 (3.9)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	1.3	(54)
BECOPAD 170	Q2117	0.2 – 0.4	0.15 (3.9)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	1.9	(77)
BECOPAD 220	Q2122	0.3 – 0.5	0.15 (3.9)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	2.5	(100)
BECOPAD 270	Q2127	0.5 – 0.7	0.15 (3.9)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	3.3	(135)
BECOPAD 350	Q2135	0.7 – 1.0	0.15 (3.9)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	3.9	(160)
BECOPAD 450	Q2145	1.0 – 2.0	0.15 (3.9)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	7.4	(300)
BECOPAD 550	Q2155	2.0 - 3.0	0.15 (3.9)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	17.2	(700)
BECOPAD 580	Q2158	3.0 - 4.0	0.15 (3.9)	< 1.0	> 21.8 (150)	87.6	(3571)

The water flow is a laboratory value characterizing the different BECOPAD depth filter medium types. It is not the recommended flow rate.

\* 100 kPa = 1 bar

# **Chemical Data**

BECOPAD depth filter medium meets the requirements of LFGB\*, Recommendation XXXVI/1 issued by BfR\*\* and the test criteria of FDA\*\*\* Directive CFR 21 § 177.2260.

Chemical compound		Max. tested temperature, Contact time	Mechani- cal resist- ance	Chemical compound		Max. tested temperature, Contact time	Mechani- cal resist- ance
Caustic:				Organic solvents:		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Ammonia solution	25%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х	Acetone		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Potassium hydroxide	30%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 48 h	(x)	Butanol		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Sodium hydroxide	30%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 24 h	-	Cyclohexane		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
	5%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 4 h	х	Dimethyl sulphide		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
	2%	104 °F (40 °C), 4 h	х	Ethanol		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
	1%	104 °F (40 °C), 4 h	х	Ethylene glycol		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
	0.5%	104 °F (40 °C), 4 h	х	Ethyl methyl ketone		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
				Isopropanol		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Acids:				Methanol		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Acetic acid	25%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х	N,N dimethyl formamie	de	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Peracetic acid	0.1%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х	N-hexane		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Peracetic acid	0.2%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х	Tetrachloroethylene		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Peracetic acid	0.5%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х	Toluene		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Nitric acid	25%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 48 h	х	Triethanolamine		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Hydrochloric acid	25%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х	Xylene		68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
Sulphuric acid	25%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 48 h	х				
Citric acid	25%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х	Aqueous solutions:			
				Iron trichloride	25%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
				Sodium hypochlorite free chlorine	12%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 168 h	х
				Hydrogen peroxide	10%	68 °F (20 °C <i>)</i> , 72 h	х

x = resistant

# Guide to Choosing the Right BECOPAD Depth Filter Medium

# **BECOPAD 115C**

This depth filter medium is ideally used as membrane protection. Micro colloids impairing the filtration are safely retained.

# **BECOPAD 120**

High microbe removal filtration with increased safety. Filtration for separating bacteria for heavily used or delicate products.

# **BECOPAD 170**

Microbe removal filtration for filling or storing with high initial burden.

# **BECOPAD 220**

Microbe reduction filtration with average initial burden. **BECOPAD 270** 

Microbe reduction filtration with low initial burden.

# **BECOPAD 350**

Fine filtration, removal of yeasts and reduction of bacteria, as well as activated carbon removal.

# **BECOPAD 450**

Clarifying filtration, removal of yeasts in applications with low cell count.

#### **BECOPAD 550, BECOPAD 580**

Coarse filtration, particle retention, yeast reduction and catalyst separation.

#### Instructions for Correct Use

BECOPAD depth filter medium requires careful handling when inserting them into the plate and frame filter. Avoid banging, bending, and rubbing. Do not use damaged BECOPAD depth filter media.

#### Inserting

Each BECOPAD depth filter medium has a rough side and a smooth side. The rough side is the feed side; the smooth side is the filtrate side. Always ensure that the filtrate side is in contact with the clear filtrate plate when inserting the sheets.

## **Sterilization (Optional)**

The wetted BECOPAD depth filter medium may be sterilized with saturated steam up to a maximum temperature of **273.2** °F (134 °C). The pressed filter package should be loosened slightly. Make sure to sterilize the entire filter system thoroughly. Do not apply final pressure until after the filter package has cooled down.

## Sterilization with Hot Water

The specific flow rate should at least equal the flow rate. The hot water should be softened and free from contamination.

The following parameters must be adhered to:

Temperature:	> 185 °F (85 °C)
Duration:	25 minutes after 185 °F (85 °C) is reached at all valves
Pressure:	> 7.2 psi (50 kPa, 0.5 bar) at the filter outlet

#### Sterilization with Steam

Steam quality:	I he steam must be free of foreign particles and impurities
Temperature:	Max. 273.2 °F (134 °C) (saturated steam)
Duration:	Min. 20 minutes after steam exits from all filter valves
Rinsing:	After sterilizing with 6.6 gal/sqm (25 l/m <sup>2</sup> ) at 1.25 times the flow rate

# Filter Preparation and Filtration

Unless already completed after sterilization, rinse the depth filter with 6.6 gal/sqm (25 l/m<sup>2</sup>) of water at 1.25 times the flow rate prior to the first filtration.

Check the entire filter for leakage at maximum operating pressure.

High-proof alcoholic solutions and products that cannot be rinsed with water should be circulated with the product. Discard the rinsing solution after rinsing.

#### **Differential Pressure**

Terminate the filtration process when a differential pressure of 43.5 psi (300 kPa, 3 bar) is reached.

For safety reasons, a differential pressure of 21.8 psi (150 kPa, 1.5 bar) should not be exceeded in applications for removing micro-organisms.

## Regeneration/Backwashing for Beverage Applications

**Framework Conditions** 

More detailed information regarding regeneration can be found in Note of Application 1 A 2.7.1.1

# **Safety**

When used and handled correctly, there are no known unfavorable effects associated with this product.

Further safety information can be found in the relevant Material Safety Data Sheet, which can be downloaded from our website.

#### Waste Disposal

Due to their composition BECOPAD depth filter media are 100% biodegradable. Relevant current regulations must be followed, depending on the filtered product.

#### Storage

BECOPAD depth filter medium consists of strongly adsorbing materials. The product must be handled carefully during shipping and storage.

Store BECOPAD depth filter medium in a dry, odorfree, and well-ventilated place.

BECOPAD depth filter medium is intended for immediate use and should be used within 24 months of delivery.

#### **Available Formats**

All common square or round filter sizes are available for delivery. Special formats are available on request.

HS Customs Tariff: 4812 00 00

## **Quality Assurance According to DIN EN ISO 9001**

Eaton's Begerow Product Line comprehensive Quality Management System has been certified according to DIN EN ISO 9001.

This certification verifies that a fully functioning comprehensive Quality Assurance System covering product development, contract controls, choice of suppliers, receiving inspections, production, final inspection, inventory management, and shipment has been implemented. Extensive quality assurance measures incorporate adherence to technical function criteria and chemical purity and quality recognized as safe under the German legislation governing the production of foods and beverages.

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