BNM Cartridge Filters

Nylon 6,6 Membrane





Biopharmaceutical grade Nylon 6,6 membrane filter cartridges are made using Nylon 6,6 membrane. The Nylon membrane used in these cartridges is optimized for retention. Nylon cartridges see broad service in bioburden management for filling operations as well as for buffers, feedstocks, purified water, WFI, and other media. BNM cartridges are also used for the filtration of solvents because of Nylon's broad compatibility and low level of extractables.

Construction Materials

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Filtration Media	Nylon 6,6 Membrane			
Media Support	Polypropylene			
End Caps	Polypropylene			
Center Core	Polypropylene			
Outer Support Cage Polypropylene				
Sealing Method	Thermal Bonding			
O-rings	Buna, Viton® (or FKM), EP, Silicone, FEP Encapsulated Silicone, FEP Encapsulated Viton (or FKM)			

Total Performance

Critical Process Filtration, Inc. is a vertically integrated manufacturer of filtration products to industries in which filtration is considered a critical part of the manufacturing process. We supply a complete line of products and services to help you cost effectively satisfy all your filtration requirements from a single source.

Applications

- Buffers and Feedstocks
- ♦ SVPs
- ♦ WFI Water
- **♦** LVPs
- ♦ Solvents
- ♦ Vaccines

Dimensions

Length 5 to 40 in. (12.7 to 101.6 cm) nominal

Outside Diameter 2.75 in. (7.0 cm) nominal

Filtration Area 7.0 ft² (0.65 m²) per 10 in. length

Integrity Test Specifications

Water-wetted membrane

Pore Size	Air Diffusion Rate		
0.10 μm	< 30 cc/min at 48 psig (3.3 barg)		
0.22 μm	< 30 cc/min at 35 psig (2.4 barg)		
0.45 μm	< 30 cc/min at 20 psig (1.4 barg)		
0.65 μm	< 30 cc/min at 15 psig (1.0 barg)		

Maximum Operating Parameters

Differential Pressure

• Forward (in water) 50 psid (3.4 bard) at 20 °C (68 °F)
• Reverse 40 psid (2.7 bard) at 20 °C (68 °F)

Operating Temperature 82 °C (180 °F) at 60 psid (4.1 bard) in water

35 psid (2.4 bard)

Recommended Changeout Pressure

Sanitization/Sterilization

Filtered Hot Water	90 °C (194 °F), 30 minutes, multiple cycles, max 3 psid forward flow
Autoclave	121 °C (250 °F), 30 min, multiple cycles
In-line Steam	135 °C (275 °F), 30 min, multiple cycles

For all elevated temperature procedures above, a stainless steel support ring is required.

Chemical Sanitization

Nylon does not tolerate aggressive chemical sanitization protocols. Nylon membrane cartridges are best sanitized with 1% hydrogen peroxide or 1% hydrogen peroxide and peracetic acid. Various manufacturers use different concentrations of active ingredients. Refer and adhere to the manufacturer's instructions for sanitizing nylon membrane.

USP Biosafety and FDA Compliance

The materials used to construct biopharmaceutical grade filters are non-toxic and meet the requirements for the MEM Elution Cytotoxicity Test and the requirements for Biological Reactivity Tests in the current version of the United States Pharmacopeia (USP) for Class VI - 121 °C Plastics. In addition, the materials meet the requirements listed by the FDA as appropriate for use in articles intended for repeated food contact as specified in Title 21 CFR sections 174.5, 177.1500, 177.1520, 177.1630, 177.2440, and 177.2600 as appropriate. BNM filters comply with Title 21 CFR sections 210.3 (b)(6) and 211.72, for non-fiber releasing filters. The levels of bacterial endotoxins in aqueous extracts from biopharmaceutical grade filters are below current USP limits as specified for water for injection.

Extractables

BNM filters are rinsed with high purity water to remove manufacturing debris and extractable substances. Biopharmaceutical grade filters typically exhibit low levels of nonvolatile residues.

Quality Assurance and Standards

Our goal is to ensure our customers the greatest possible value for their filtration dollar. Our state of the art manufacturing facility and quality management system both meet ISO 9001:2008 standards. Each operation from assembly and test to cleaning, drying, and packaging is done in appropriately rated clean rooms. A sophisticated MRP system collects and processes real time data from manufacturing centers and inspection points. This allows variable and attribute data to be quickly and easily analyzed driving constant improvements in both quality and cost.

Validation

BNM cartridges are validated using test procedures that comply with the intent of both ASTM F 838-05 and HIMA protocols for the determination of bacterial retention in filters used for liquid filtration. The challenge level is 106 organisms per cm2 of filter media: 0.22 µm challenged with Brevundimonas diminuta; 0.45 μm challenged with Serratia marcescens; 0.65 μm challenged with Saccharomyces cerevisiae.

Flow Rate

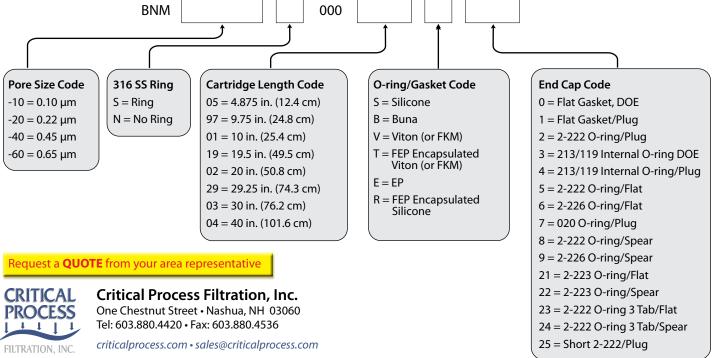
The Typical Flow Rates table represents typical water flow at a 1 psid (69 mbard) pressure differential across a single 10 in. cartridge element. The test fluid is water at ambient temperature. Extrapolation for housings with multiple elements and higher pressure drops is acceptable, but as flows increase the pressure drop of the housing becomes more apparent.

Typical Flow Rates

Pore Size	0.10 μm	0.22 μm	0.45 μm	0.65 μm
GPM	1.0	1.8	3.0	5.0
LPM	3.79	6.81	11.36	15.90

Ordering Information

Cartridge order numbers have several variables from pore size to end cap type. For example, Biopharmaceutical Grade, Nylon 6,6 Membrane, 0.22 Micron Rating, With SS Support Ring, 20" Length, Silicone O-Rings, 2-226/Spear End Cap Configuration = BNM-20S00002S9



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