

Fluorofil™ Plus

High Flow Sterile Gas
Filters with ePTFE
Membrane



Fluorofil™ Plus cartridges are manufactured using a highly hydrophobic ePTFE membrane. The enhanced ePTFE membrane offers exceptionally high gas flow rates at low pressure differentials.

Fluorofil™ Plus cartridges are recommended for sterile gas filtration and venting applications. The hydrophobic characteristics of the ePTFE membrane makes the Fluorofil™ Plus filter cartridge particularly suitable for wet gas sterilising applications, such as fermenter air feed.

Ordering Information

Product Code: **1** **2** **3** **4** **5** **6** **7**

1: Membrane		2: Pore rating		3: Version		4: Length (Nominal)		5: End Fitting		6: Seals		7: Additional	
F	Fluorofil™	20	0.2µm	S	Standard	1	10" (254mm)	W	F20 +Code 7 (SS Core)	A	Ethylene Propylene	A	N+U
						2	20" (508mm)	X	F20 +Code 2 (SS Core)	B	Silicone	P	Pharma Grade
						3	30" (762mm)	Z	F20 +Code Y (SS Core)	C	Viton®	U	Unbranded
						4	40" (1016mm)			D	Nitrile		
						5	5" (125mm)			E	FEP Encap. Viton®		
										G	FEP Encap. Silicone		
										J	DOE PTFE		

The construction of the Fluorofil™ Plus cartridge has design features that allow higher membrane surface area, lower pressure drops and incorporates a stainless steel core for greater mechanical strength when operated at higher temperatures.

Typical Applications

- Sterile process gases
- Sterile vents
- Biotechnology
- Powder handling and tableting

Features and Benefits

- Guaranteed microbial ratings
- Bacterial spores and viruses
- Mechanical strength
- Steam sterilisation
- Cartridge integrity and low TOC levels
- Full traceability
- Controlled manufacturing environment

Specifications

Materials of Manufacture

Filter membrane:	ePTFE
Membrane support:	Polypropylene
Irrigation mesh (support):	Polypropylene
Drainage layer:	Polypropylene
Inner core:	316/316L stainless steel
Outer support:	Polypropylene
End fittings:	Polypropylene
Sealing:	Fusion bonding

Cartridge Dimensions (Nominal)

Effective Filtration Area:	0.8m ² (8.6ft ²) per 10" module	
Diameter:	70mm (2.8")	
Length:	1 module:	127mm (5")
	1 module:	254mm (10")
	2 modules:	508mm (20")
	3 modules:	762mm (30")
	4 modules:	1016mm (40")

Cartridge Treatment

Standard: Cleaned and flushed, without further treatment

Gaskets and O-Rings

Ethylene Propylene, FEP encapsulated, Silicone, Viton® or Nitrile

Maximum Differential Pressure

Normal flow direction at:

20°C (68°F):	6.0bar (87psi)
80°C (176°F):	4.0bar (58psi)
100°C (212°F):	3.0bar (44psi)
120°C (248°F):	2.0bar (29psi)
125°C (257°F):	1.5bar (22psi)

Reverse flow direction at:

20°C (68°F):	2.1bar (30psi)
80°C (176°F):	1.0bar (15psi)
100°C (212°F):	0.5bar (7psi)

Operating Temperature

Maximum continuous: 80°C (176°F)

Sterilisation

In situ steam 500 x 30 minute cycles at 135°C (275°F).
In situ steam cycles for 200 hours at 142°C (286°F).

Extractables

Minimum total extractables. Please refer to the Fluorofil™ Plus Validation Guide.

Integrity Testing

Each Fluorofil™ Plus module of every cartridge is individually integrity tested using the Diffusive Flow Test, which correlates to the HIMA and ASTM F838-05 bacterial challenge tests. Non-destructive integrity tests, such as Diffusive Flow, Water Intrusion, Pressure Hold and Bubble Point, can be performed by customers. Please contact us for procedural details.

Gas Flow Rates

- Typical clean air flow rate:
 A 254mm (10") Fluorofil™ Plus single cartridge exhibits the flow- ΔP characteristics indicated below.

