

# Fulflo® Abso-Mate™ Filter Cartridges

■ Polypropylene

## *Pleated Series*

## **Absolute, Cost-Effective Filtration From All-Polypropylene Cartridges**

Parker's Fulflo® Abso-Mate® Cartridges provide the ultimate in economical filtration for even the most critical process fluids. The proprietary melt blown media are rigidly controlled for reliable results time after time. Abso-Mate cartridges are produced without adhesives that can potentially contaminate fluids.

Abso-Mate Pleated Cartridges are available in 0.2µm, 0.45µm, 1µm, 2µm, 5µm, 10µm, 20µm, 40µm and 70µm absolute rated pore sizes.

### **Applications**

- Electronics
- Membrane Prefilter
- Food & Beverage
- Pharmaceuticals
- Water
- Chemicals
- Precious Metal Recover
- Catalyst Recovery
- Waste Water



### **Features and Benefits**

- Absolute ratings for consistent and reliable performance (99.98%; β=5000).
- Backwashable media, reduces replacement maintenance and cartridges disposal costs. See page 4 for procedure.
- Abso-Mate cartridges are non-fibre releasing and contain minimal extractables.
- All materials of construction are FDA listed as acceptable for potable and edible liquid contact according to CFR Title 21.
- One-piece construction eliminates bypass concerns on multilength cartridges.
- High purity materials meet FDA regulations for food contact, are non-toxic, non fibre releasing and have minimal extractables.
- Fused construction and continuous lengths eliminate the needs for adhesives and allow for bubble point integrity testing.

**Process Filtration Division**

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## Ultimate Pleated Cartridge Performance

Fulflo® Abso-Mate® Filter Cartridges offer high efficiency, high purity, high flow rate capacity and long service life. Abso-Mate extractable levels in water are less than 0.001% by weight. The result is a line of cartridges with

broad particle removal ratings that meet critical filtration requirements.

Abso-Mate cartridges make an ideal membrane prefilter and serve as a cost-effective alternative to membrane filters in many applications.

The unique construction allows for backwash cleaning that extends service life and reduces handling and disposal costs. Abso-Mate cartridges can be incinerated, significantly reducing hazardous material disposal costs.

### Specifications

#### Absolute Filtration Ratings:

- 99.98% removal efficiency at 0.2µm, 0.45µm, 1µm, 2µm, 5µm, 10µm, 20µm, 40µm and 70µm pore sizes.

#### Effective Filtration Area:

- Up to 7.2ft²/10 in (0.7 m²/254mm).

#### Materials of Construction:

- Filter Media and Support Layers: polypropylene.
- Bonding Polymer: none, completely fusion sealed.
- Surface Treatment: none, chemically inert and neutral.
- Media Protection: polypropylene cage.
- Support Core: glass-filled polypropylene.
- Pleat Pack Side Seal: fused polypropylene.
- End Caps: polypropylene.
- Seals: Buna-N, EPR, silicone, Viton\*, Teflon\* encapsulated Viton\* O-rings; polyethylene foam gaskets.

#### Recommended Operating Conditions:

- Change out ΔP: 35psi (2.4 bar). Maximum Temperature: 200°F (93°C).
- Maximum Temperature @ 35 psid (2.4 bar): 200°F (93°C).
- Maximum ΔP @ 70°F (21°C): 90 psid (6 bar).
- Maximum ΔP @ 200°F (93°C): 35 psid (2.4 bar).

#### Dimensions:

- Overall Length: See catalogue sheet C-2090. SOE fits standard housings with O-ring seals.
- Cartridge Outside Diameter: 2½ in (63.5mm).
- Cartridge Inside diameter: DOE - 1⅞ in (27mm). SOE - 1 in (25.4mm).

#### Biological Safety:

- Meets USP XXI Class VI requirements for plastics.
- Nontoxic per WI-38 Human Cell Cytotoxicity Test.

#### Product Purity:

- All components FDA acceptable per 21 CFR, Section 177.1520.
- Non-fibre releasing per FDA Part 210.3B (5) and (6). Refer to TAP-004.
- Water extractables < 0.001% by weight per USP XXI Physico-Chemical Test Procedure.
- Non-photosensitive.
- Low Total Organic Carbon (TOC) extractables. Refer to TAP-003 (Contact Parker for TAP-003).

#### Sterilization Parameters:

- Maximum 10 cycles @ 250°F (121°C) for 15 minutes @ 15 psi (1.03 bar).
- Hot water @ 180°F (82°C) for 30 minutes.

#### Deionized Water Rinse-Up Properties:

- Refer to TAP-002 (Contact Parker for TAP-002).

#### Liquid Particle Retention Ratings (µm) @ Removal Efficiency of:

Cartridge	β=5000 Absolute	β=1000 99.9%	β=100 99%	β=50 98%
A PAB002	0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2
B PAB004	0.45	0.4	0.2	<0.2
C PAB010	1	0.8	0.4	<0.2
D PAB020	2	1.9	0.8	<0.2
E PAB050	5	3.8	1.4	0.4
F PAB100	10	7	2	0.5
G PAB200	20	13	4	1.8
H PAB400	40	22	7	3.2
J PAB700	70	52	22	15

#### Performance Data by Cartridge Grade

Cartridge	Water† ΔP m bar – l/min – 254mm	Gas Efficiency DOP Efficiency	Air Flow Rate M 3/hr @ 0.07 bard
A PAB002	1.900	99.999+	22
B PAB004	1.000	99.999+	43
C PAB010	0.750	99.999	17
D PAB020	0.500	99.999	59
E PAB050	0.133	99.900	214
F PAB100	0.027	93.500	544
G PAB200	0.020	80.000	615
H PAB400	0.012	53.000	680
J PAB700	0.008	18.000	680

† Pressure drops are for water @ 1.0 cks and S.G. = 1. For other liquids multiply pressure drop by the viscosity in cks (cks = cps/S.G.).

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## Performance Profile

Parker's Process Filtration Division test procedures address the varying filtration requirements of customers. Selection of media of the Fulfo® Abso-Mate product line maximises performance in terms of efficiency, dirt-holding capacity, flow and other characterisation variables. Tests and analyses were conducted using microprocessor technology.

## High Filtration Efficiency

Filtration efficiency is affected by media pore size and fluid velocity. The removal efficiency is based on a design flow rate of 2.5 gpm per 10 in

(9.5 lpm per 254mm) cartridge. Lower flow rates yield higher efficiencies and higher flow rates result in lower efficiencies.

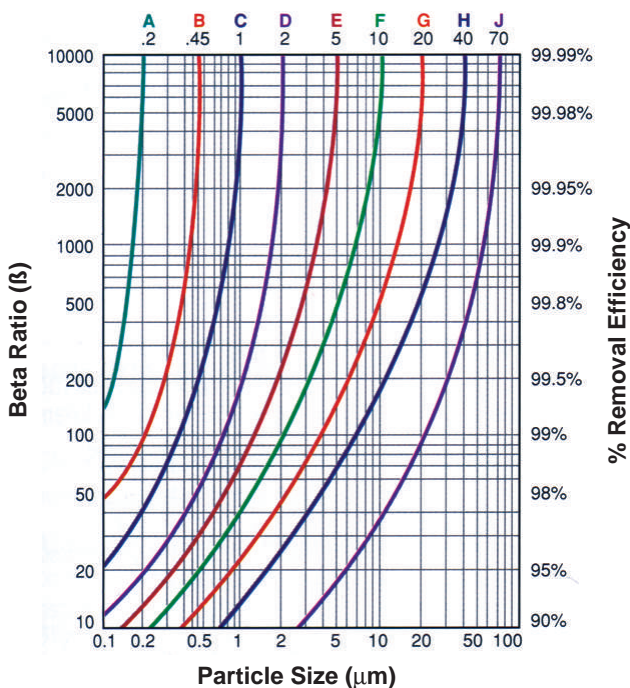
## Test Conditions

**Liquid Service:** Particle removal efficiencies were determined by challenging cartridges with aqueous dispersions of industry standard contaminants at a constant flow rate until a ΔP of 35 psi (2.4 bar) was reached. Removal efficiencies at 16 different particle sizes are measured over the entire life of the cartridge using an electronic particle counter. Performance validation of sub-micron

rated media is based on a variety of bacterial challenge tests. Consult the Process Filtration Division for specific test data.

**Gas Service:** Removal efficiencies for gas are determined using Mil-Std 282. This procedure challenges the media with thermally generated DOP (dioctylphthalate) smoke (0.3µm dispersion in air) at a flow rate was 3.2 cfm through a 254mm cartridge.

### Abso-Mate Particle Removal Efficiency Over Life



A – PAB002  
B – PAB002  
C – PAB002

D – PAB002  
E – PAB002  
F – PAB002

G – PAB002  
H – PAB002  
J – PAB002

$$\text{Beta Ratio } (\beta) = \frac{\text{Upstream Particle Count @ Specified Particle Size and Larger}}{\text{Downstream Particle Count @ Specified Particle Size and Larger}}$$

$$\% \text{ Removal Efficiency} = \left[ \frac{\beta - 1}{\beta} \right] \times 100$$

Performance determined per ASTM F-795-88, Single-Pass Test using AC Test Dust in water at a flow rate of 2.5 gpm per 10 in (9.5 lpm per 254mm).

### Abso-Mate Length Factors

Length (in)	Length (mm)	Length Factor
9	244	1.0
10	249	1.0
19	498	2.0
20	506	2.0
29	743	3.0
30	764	3.0
40	1016	4.0

Rating (µm)	Flow Factor
0.20	1.900
0.45	1.000
1	0.750
2	0.500
5	0.133
10	0.027
20	0.020
40	0.012
70	0.008

### Flow Rate and Pressure Drop Formulas:

$$\text{Flow Rate (l/min)} = \frac{\text{Clean } \Delta P \times \text{Length Factor}}{\text{Viscosity} \times \text{Flow Factor}}$$

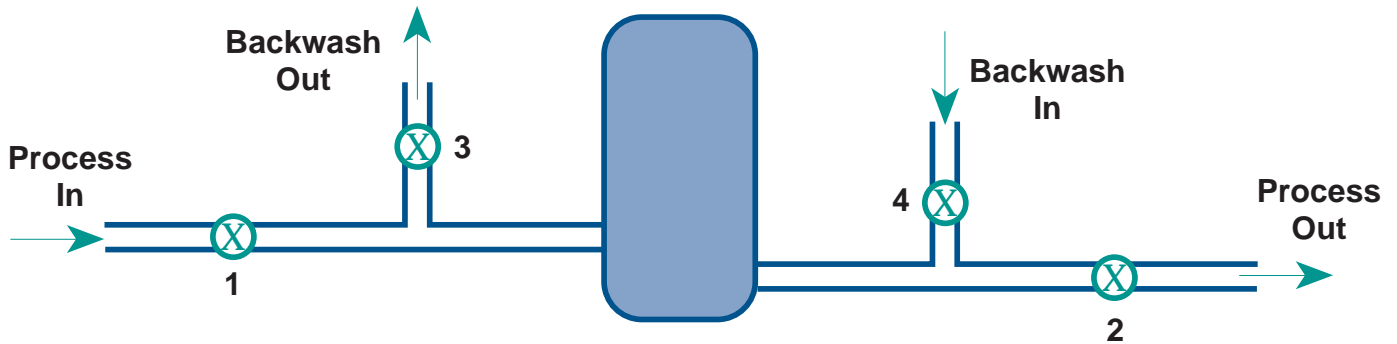
$$\text{Clean } \Delta P = \frac{\text{Flow Rate} \times \text{Viscosity} \times \text{Flow Factor}}{\text{Length Factor}}$$

### Notes:

1. **Clean ΔP** is m bar differential at start.
2. **Viscosity** is centistokes. Use Conversion Tables for other units.
3. **Flow Factor** is m bar at l/min at 1 cks for 254mm (or single).
4. **Length Factors** convert flow or ΔP from 254mm (single length) to required cartridge length.

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## Backwash Schematic



## Backwash Protocol

Since applications vary, rigid rules for backwash operation are impossible. Please use these guidelines:

- Initiate a backwash cycle when the pressure drop rises about 3-4 psid (0.2 to 0.3 bar) above the initial value (1-5 psid [0.1 to 0.4 bar] for most systems) or alternately on a timed cycle, e.g. daily).
- Stop the process flow by closing valves 1 and 2.
- Begin backwash flow by opening valves 3 and 4.
- Backwash pressure should be about 10 psi (0.7 bar) greater than the existing pressure drop.
- A momentary pressure surge is beneficial in breaking particles free.
- Backwash flow rate is critical. It should be 1 to 1½ times the process flow rate. Allow sufficient time to flush the contaminant from the vessel.
- Close valves 3 and 4 and open valves 1 and 2 to resume normal filtration. Vent the vessel. Note the decrease in pressure drop.
- Continue backwash cycles until the pressure drop no longer decreases. Change cartridges at about 35 psid (2.4 bar).
- Note: Valves 3 and 4 could be attached to the housing's dirty and clean drains, respectively.

## Ordering Information

PAB004	10	F	A	DO
Rating (µm)	Nominal Length (code) (in) (mm)	Core	Gasket/O-Ring Options	End Cap Options
002 – 0.2		A = Polypropylene (PM core only)	E = EPR	DO = Double Open End (DOE)
004 – 0.45	9 9 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> 244	F = Glass Filled Polypropylene (PXD core only)	N = Buna-N	DX = DOE with Core Extender
010 – 1	10 10 249	N = Natural Polypropylene (All support components)	S = Silicone (SOE O-Ring only)	SC = 226 O-Ring/Cap
020 – 2	19 19 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> 498		V = Viton*	SF = 226 O-Ring/Fin
050 – 5	20 20 506		T = Teflon* Encapsulated Viton* (222,226 O-Ring only)	TC = 222 O-Ring/Cap
100 – 10	29 29 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> 743		A = Polyethylene Foam Gasket (DOE Gasket only)	TF = 222 O-Ring/Fin
200 – 20	30 30 764			AR = 020 O-Ring/Recessed (Gelman)
400 – 40	40 40 1016			LR = 120 O-Ring/Recessed (Nuclepore; Gelman G Style)
700 – 70				LL = 120/120 (Filterite LMO and Nuclepore Polymeric Vessels; Gelman N Style)
				PR = 213 O-Ring/Recessed (Ametek and Parker LT Polymeric Vessels; Gelman H Style)

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