#### **Aldex Weak Acid Cation Series**

# WAC MP FG Macroporous Weak Acid Cation Resin Food Grade

Tested and certified by WQA according to NSF/ANSI/CAN 61 and 372, NSF/ANSI 44 and CSA B483.1. Aldex WAC MP FG is a premium grade, weakly acidic, macroporous, acrylic-based cation exchange resin supplied in the hydrogen form. The high total exchange capacity, excellent mechanical and chemical stability, and high resistance to osmotic shock make this the resin of choice for dealkalization and chemical processing applications. Increased regeneration efficiency can be achieved when Aldex WAC MP FG is used in conjunction with Aldex C-800H in demineralization systems, either as a layered bed or preceding the strong acid cation vessel.

## **Physical Chemical Properties**

Polymer Structure: Acrylic / divinylbenzene

copolymer

Insoluble

Functional Group: R-(COOH)<sup>-</sup>
Ionic Form as Shipped: Hydrogen

Physical Form: Tough, spherical beads

Screen Size Distribution:

+16 mesh

-50 mesh

Less than 5%

Less than 2%

Operating pH Range:

5 to 14

Moisture Content:

45 to 55%

Shipping Weight: 47 lbs per cubic foot Swelling H<sup>+</sup> to Na<sup>+</sup>: 60% maximum

Total Capacity: 4.3 eq/l minimum

Sphericity: 90+%

# **Recommended Operating Conditions**

Maximum Temperature: 167°F (73°C)

Bed Depth: 30" minimum

Service Flow Rate: 2 to 5 US GPM per

cubic foot

Backwash Flow Rate: 50 to 75% bed expansion

Regenerant Strength\*:

Solubility:

Hydrochloric acid 3 to 6% Sulfuric acid 0.5 to 0.8%

Regenerant Flow Rate: 0.3 to 0.75 US GPM per

cubic foot

Regenerant Contact Time: 30 minutes minimum

Regenerant Dosage Level: Depends on alkalinity

Displacement Rinse: 0.3 to 0.75 US GPM per

cubic foot

Displacement Rinse Volume: 10 to 15 Gallons per

cubic foot

Fast Rinse Rate: 2 to 5 US GPM per

cubic foot

Fast Rinse Volume: 35 to 60 Gallons per

cubic foot

\*CAUTION: Do not mix ion exchange resins with strong oxidizing agents. Nitric acid and other strong oxidizing agents can cause explosive reactions when mixed with organic materials, such as ion exchange resins.

## **WAC MP FG Features**

## **Carboxylic Functional Groups**

Give extremely high regeneration efficiencies and high operating capacities.

### **Superior Physical Stability**

90% plus sphericity and high crush strengths together with a very uniform particle size provide greater resistance to bead breakage while maintaining low pressure drop.

### Low Swelling

Less than 60% on complete exhaustion to the sodium form.

## **Safety Information**

A material safety data sheet is available for Aldex WAC MP FG. Copies can be obtained from Aldex Chemical Co., LTD. Aldex WAC MP FG is not a hazardous product and is not WHMIS controlled.

Caution: Acidic and basic regenerant solutions are corrosive and should be handled in a manner that will prevent eye and skin contact. Before using strong oxidizing agents in contact with ion exchange resin, consult sources knowledgeable in the handling of these materials.



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## **Pressure Drop**

The graph below (Fig 1.) shows the expected pressure loss per foot of bed depth as a function of flow rate, at various water temperatures.

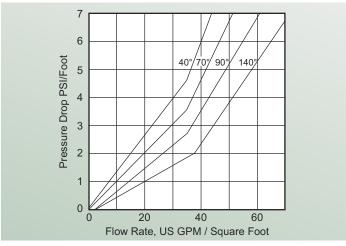


Fig. 1 Pressure Drop vs Flow Rate at various degrees Fahrenheit (F°)

### **Backwash Characteristics**

After each cycle the resin bed should be backwashed at a rate that expands the bed 50 to 75 percent. This will remove any foreign matter and reclassify the bed. (Fig 2.)

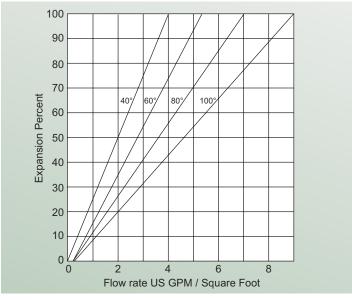


Fig. 2 Expansion vs Flow Rate at various degrees Fahrenheit (F°)

## **Applications**

#### Demineralization

Aldex WAC MP FG can be used to remove cations associated with alkalinity in multiple bed demineralizers.

## Softening

In certain applications, Aldex WAC MP FG can be operated as softener in sodium cycle. This requires a two stage regeneration using a strong acid first stage to remove multivalent ions from the bed followed by a neutralization rinse with an alkali.

### Dealkalization

Bicarbonate alkalinity can be effectively removed using Aldex WAC MP FG in the hydrogen form.

# **Operating Capacity**

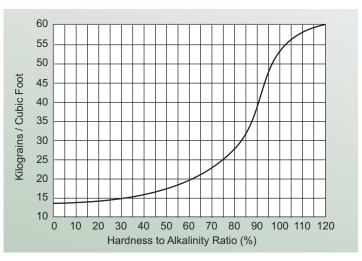


Fig. 3

