



DOWEX™ MONOSPHERE™ 550A UPW (OH)

Uniform Particle Size Strong Base Anion Resin for Single or Mixed Bed
Demineralization for Ultrapure Water Applications

Description

DOWEX™ MONOSPHERE™ 550A UPW (OH) is a high purity, uniform type 1 strong base anion exchange resin recommended for the roughing, intermediate and polishing ion exchange loops either in a 2-bed system followed by a mixed bed or in a mixed bed following reverse osmosis (RO). Low total organic carbon TOC levels in the ultra pure water UPW grade are achieved by deliberate functionalization and rinsing as shown in Figure 3. UPW grade is characterized by its light color, exceptional crush strength and high (>95%) conversion of exchange sites to the hydroxide (OH) form.

Typical Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical form		White to amber translucent spherical beads
Matrix		Styrene-DVB, gel
Functional group		Quaternary ammonium
Ionic form as shipped		OH ⁻ form
Total volume capacity, min.	eq/L kgr/ft ³ as CaCO ₃	1.0 21.9
Moisture retention capacity	%	55–65
Particle size		
Harmonic mean diameter	µm	590 ± 50
Uniformity coefficient, max.		1.1
Whole uncracked beads, min.	%	95
Friability		
Average, min.	g/bead	350
> 200 g/bead, min.	%	95
Particle density, approx.	g/mL	1.08
Shipping density,** approx.	g/L	657
	lbs/ft ³	41

For additional particle size information, please refer to Particle Size Distribution Cross Reference Chart (Form No. 177-01775).

**As per the backwashed and settled density of the resin, determined by ASTM D-2187

Suggested Operating Conditions

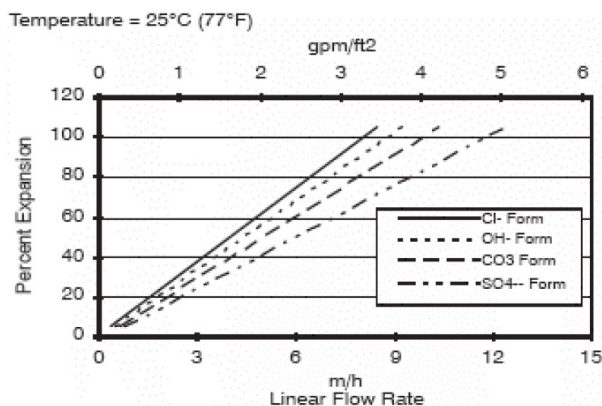
Maximum operating temperature: Single bed (OH ⁻ form) Mixed bed (OH ⁻ form)	60°C / 140°F 60°C / 140°F
Resin bed depth, min: Single bed Mixed bed	800 mm (2.6 ft) 450 mm (1.5 ft)
Flow rates: Service/fast rinse Backwash Regeneration/displacement	10–60 m/h (4–24 gpm/ft ²) See Figure 1 4–10 m/h (1.6–4 gpm/ft ²)
Total rinse requirement	2–5 BV*
Regenerant Type Temperature	4–8% NaOH Ambient or up to 50°C (122°F) for silica removal
UPW Specific Properties	
Rinse characteristics: UPW grade resins are rinsed with +17.5 Megaohm.cm water to meet stringent ionic and organic residuals – Ionic conductivity rinse down, max. (as packaged) – TOC rinse down to 4 ppb (+) (see Figure 3)	1 μS/cm 45 BV

*1 BV (Bed Volume) = 1 m³ solution per m³ resin or 7.5 gals per ft³ resin

Hydraulic Characteristics

Figure 1 shows the bed expansion of DOWEX™ MONOSPHERE™ 550A UPW (OH) as a function of backwash flow rate and water temperature. Figure 2 shows the pressure drop data for DOWEX MONOSPHERE 550A UPW (OH) as a function of service flow rate and water temperature. Pressure drop data are valid at the start of the service run with clear water and a correctly classified bed. Figure 3 shows the conductivity and TOC rinse performance of the resin.

Figure 1. Backwash Expansion Data

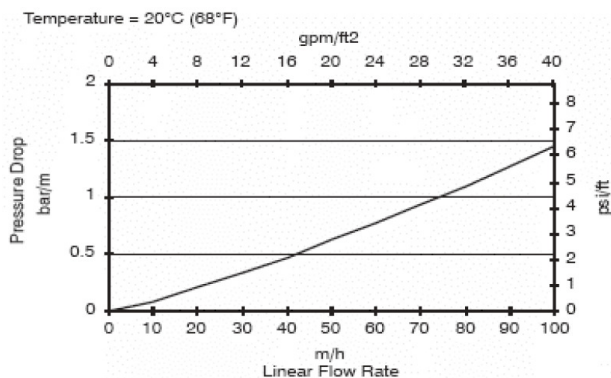


For other temperatures use:

$$F_T = F_{77°F} [1 + 0.008 (T_{°F} - 77)], \text{ where } F \equiv \text{gpm/ft}^2$$

$$F_T = F_{25°C} [1 + 0.008 (1.8T_{°C} - 45)], \text{ where } F \equiv \text{m/h}$$

Figure 2. Pressure Drop Data

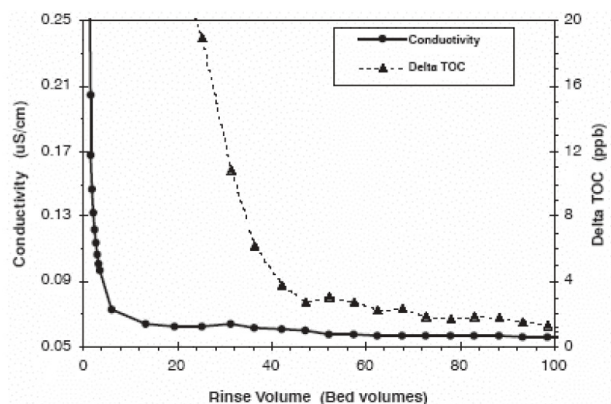


For other temperatures use:

$$P_T = P_{20^\circ\text{C}} / (0.026 T_{\text{°C}} + 0.48), \text{ where } P \equiv \text{bar/m}$$

$$P_T = P_{68^\circ\text{F}} / (0.014 T_{\text{°F}} + 0.05), \text{ where } P \equiv \text{psi/ft}$$

Figure 3. Conductivity and TOC Rinsedown Curves



Packaging

5 cubic foot fiber drum

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