

Zeta Plus[™] ZA series filter media are advanced depth filter media designed to provide optimal clarification of bioprocess, biological and pharmaceutical fluids. Zeta Plus ZA series filter medium is composed of pre-extracted inorganic filter aid, cellulose and a resin system that imparts a strong positive charge to the filter matrix, aiding its adsorption of negatively charged contaminants. This premium-grade medium has been specifically designed for processes that require a high degree of filtration and low metal ion extractables.

Applications

Zeta Plus ZA series filter media are optimized for clarification of bioprocess cell culture fluids and for the reduction of negatively charged contaminants. In solution, cells and cellular debris, endotoxins and contaminating nucleic acids (DNA, RNA) carry a negative charge. 3M's application of positive zeta potential to Zeta Plus ZA series filter media creates a filter matrix that enhances the capture of negatively charged contaminants for maximum filtration performance. The strong positive charge over a broad pH range make Zeta Plus ZA series filter media ideal for cell broth clarification and for protection of downstream membrane filters.

Superior Particle Reduction

Zeta Plus ZA filter medium offers advantages in contaminant reduction because of its strong electrokinetic properties. In addition to the mechanical exclusion of particles by its depth loading feature, Zeta Plus ZA filter medium adsorbs contaminants too small for reduction by mechanical straining. Because most particles in suspension are negatively charged, virtually all contaminants can be reduced with proper grade selection.



Applications

Clarification of cell culture process fluids

Clarification of bacteria and yeast cell lysates

Protection of downstream processes including membrane (0.2, 0.1 micron) filters, TFF systems and chromatography columns

Endotoxin and nucleic acid reduction

Clarification of colloidal and haze forming contaminants

Features & Benefits

Broad pH range of strong, positively charge-modified depth filter media.

 Economical, efficient reduction of negatively charged contaminants such as cell debris, colloidal material, endotoxin, DNA, RNA, and bacteria.

Pre-extracted inorganic filter aid.

Low extractables, fast rinse up.

FDA Drug Master File and USP Class VI Biological Safety.

Eases validation and regulatory submissions by providing vital documentation and traceability.

Full range of cartridge and capsule configurations.

Full range of scaleable configurations from bench top to production.

Easy to install filter cartridges.

• Easy to use, reduces labor costs, positive sealing mechanism.



Above: Individual cells of Zeta Plus[™] ZA Series filter medium is constructed using polypropylene molded edge seals and separators for high performance.



Above: Zeta Plus[™] BC Capsule filters are ideal for pilot scale and low volume applications.

Graph 1: Flow vs. Differential Pressure



Cartridge Construction

Zeta Plus[™] cartridges are designed for use with Zeta Plus sanitary style stainless steel filter housings. Cartridges are constructed from individual cells of Zeta Plus ZA series filter medium assembled together with polypropylene separators under predetermined compression and unitized by three, 316 stainless steel bands. Each cell is constructed using polypropylene molded edge seals and separators for high performance. Various gasket materials are available depending upon application. Filter cartridges are available in 8", 12", and 16" diameters, with surface area ranging from 650 cm² (0.7 ft²) to 3.9 m² (42.2 ft²) per cartridge.

Capsule Construction

Zeta Plus ZA series filter media are available in ready to use, fully disposable BC capsules as well as Zeta Plus Encapsulated System capsule filters. The Zeta Plus BC series capsules are completely encapsulated disposable filters for small volume biological, bioprocess and pharmaceutical filtration. BC capsules are autoclavable and available in three sizes (25, 650, 1300 cm² [0.3, 0.7, 1.4 ft²] filtration area) to provide a high degree of application flexibility. The Zeta Plus Encapsulated System includes capsule filters with effective filtration areas at 170 cm² (0.18 ft²), 340 cm² (0.37 ft²), 1020 cm² (1.10 ft²), 0.23 m² (2.4 ft²), and 2.5 m² (27.0 ft²). They are ideal for both the scale-up studies as well as large scale production. For more information on the Zeta Plus Encapsulated System, please refer to 3M literature 70-0202-3967-2.

Flow Rates

Graph 1 displays flow rates obtained with 21°C clean water. Optimum flow rates vary by application, but in general, lower flux rates often result in longer service life, greater throughputs and superior system economics.

Grade Selection

Zeta Plus ZA series filter media are available in three grades. Chart 1 is provided as a guide to proper grade selection based on nominal retention ratings and can be used in conjunction with the recommendations in Table 1 to determine the appropriate filter grade for your application. Operating conditions and the fluid being filtered, impact retention performance. 3M recommends small-scale pilot runs with BC capsules to confirm grade selection prior to scale-up. The Scientific Applications Support Services (SASS) staff can assist in grade selection as well as assist in on-site evaluations. Filter system optimization can also be conducted at 3M Purification Inc.'s laboratory facilities.

Table 1: Application Recommendations

Application	Recommended Grades
Mammalian cell separation	30 ZA, 60 ZA, 90 ZA
Bacteria, yeast cell separation	30 ZA, 60 ZA
TFF, membrane protection	30 ZA, 60 ZA
Endotoxin, nucleic acid reduction	60 ZA, 90 ZA
General clarification	30 ZA, 60 ZA

Table 1 is intended as a guide. Grade selection and performance should be confirmed with small-scale pilot trials



Table 2: Recommended Operating Parameters

Maximum Operating Pressure	BC25 Capsules	2.8 bar (40 psig) maximum inlet pressure, 2.4 bar (35 psid) maximum capsule pressure drop
	BC1000/2000 Capsules:	5.52 bar @ 25°C (80 psig @77°F), 2.75 bar @ 60°C (40 psig @ 140°F) maximum inlet pressure; 2.4 bar (35 psid) maximum cartridge pressure drop
	Standard Zeta Plus [™] Cartridges	2.4 bar (35 psid) maximum cartridge pressure drop
Maximum Operating Temperature	BC25 Capsules	40°C (104°F)
	BC1000/2000 Capsules	60°C (140°F)
	Standard Zeta Plus [™] Cartridges	82°C (180°F)
Recommended Pre-use Rinse	All products	54 l/m² (1.3 gal/ft²)
Sterilization Parameters	BC25 Capsules	autoclave, 30 minutes @ 121°C (250°F) (1 cycle)
	BC1000/2000 Capsules	autoclave, 30 minutes @ 121°C (250°F) (up to 3 cycles)
	Standard Zeta Plus [™] Cartridges	autoclave or <i>in situ</i> steam sterilization, 1 hour @ 121°C (250°F)

Chart 1: Nominal Retention Ratings



Table 3: Effective Filtration Area

Cartridge Configuration	Surface Area
BC25 Capsule	25 cm ² (3.9 in ²)
BC1000 Capsule	650 cm ² (0.7 ft ²)
BC2000 Capsule	1300 cm ² (1.4 ft ²)
45109 (8" diameter cartridge, 8-cell)	0.26 m ² (2.8 ft ²)
45167 (8" diameter cartridge, 7-cell, o-ring plug-in)	0.23 m² (2.4 ft²)
Z8FA2NPX2 (8" diameter, 2-cell plug-in)	650 cm ² (0.7 ft ²)
Z8FA4NPX2 (8" diameter, 4-cell plug-in)	1300 cm ² (1.4 ft ²)
45237 (12" diameter cartridge, 12-cell)	1.1 m ² (12.3 ft ²)
45245 (12" diameter cartridge, 16-cell)	1.5 m ² (16.4 ft ²)
Z16P (16" diameter cartridge, 14-cell)	3.2 m ² (34.7 ft ²)
Z16H* (16" diameter cartridge, 17-cell)	3.9 m² (42.2 ft²)

*60, 90 grades only

Sanitary Housings

3M provides a wide array of standard and specially designed sanitary filter housings to hold Zeta Plus[™] filter cartridges. All housings are designed with the pharmaceutical and bioprocessing industries in mind and feature 316L mirror-polished surfaces and easy-to-clean components, along with accessories such as CIP spray-balls and the innovative Zeta Plus Lifting Device.





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