

### AMBERLYST™ CH28

Industrial Grade Palladium Doped Strongly Acidic Catalyst

#### Introduction

AMBERLYST CH28 is a bead form, macroreticular, sulphonic acid, palladium doped ion exchange resin developed particularly for heterogeneous catalysis.

This catalyst is specially suitable for the production of Methyl-Iso-Butyl-Ketone (MIBK) from acetone. Another application is the production of Tert-Amyl-Methyl-Ether (TAME) from FCC cracked Naphta (Etherol process). In both cases, the hydrogenation reaction, catalyzed by the palladium loaded on the resin, prevents the formation of higher condensation products.

#### **Properties**

Matrix	Macroreticular styrene DVB copolymer
Physical form	Opaque spherical beads
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Palladium load	0.7% min (dry basis)
Concentration of acid sites	$\geq$ 1.6 eq/L[1] (H+ form)
	≥ 4.8 eq/kg (H <sup>+</sup> form)
Moisture holding capacity	52 to 58% (H <sup>+</sup> form)
Shipping weight	790 g/L (49.3 lbs/ft <sup>3</sup> )
Particle size	
Harmonic mean size	0.850 to 1.050 mm
Uniformity coefficient	≤ 1.4
Fines contents	< 0.710 mm: 2.0% max
Coarse beads	> 1.180 mm: 15.0% max
Nitrogen BET	
Surface area	36 m <sup>2</sup> /g
Average pore diameter	260 Å
Total pore volume	0.20 ml/g
Shrinkage	Water to acetone: 14% Water to MIBK: 19%

## Suggested Operating Conditions

Maximum operating temperature	130°C (265°F)
Minimum bed depth	1000 mm (39 inches)
Operating flow rate	1 to 8 BV*/h (LHSV)
Pressure drop limitation	1 bar (15 psig) across the bed

<sup>\* 1</sup> BV = 1 m3 solution per m3 resin

# Hydraulic Characteristics

Figure 1 shows the bed expansion of AMBERLYST CH28 as a function of backwash flow rate and water temperature.

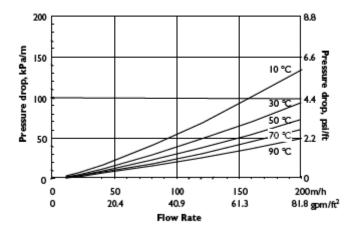
Figure 2 shows the pressure drop data for AMBERLYST CH28 as a function of service flow rate and water temperature.

10 ℃ 30 °C 100 80 50°C Bed Expansion, 60 70°C 40 90°C 20 0 10 0 20 30 50 m/h 0 4.1 8.2 123 16.4 20.4 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup>

Figure 1: Bed expansion



Flow Rate



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