Acid Purification—Diffusion Dialysis Product Line

AP–L05  Diffusion Dialysis Lab Unit

Electrodialysis Lab Unit

AP–15  Modular System

AP–30  Modular System

AP–300  Diffusion Dialysis System
Acid Purification—Diffusion Dialysis Product Line:

R&D Pilot/Benchtop Systems

Note: Lab units are available for monthly rental or may be purchased.

AP–L05 Diffusion Dialysis Lab Unit

The Acid Purification Lab Unit is designed for testing on small volumes of acid solutions to provide users with an introduction to the technology and initial performance data. Evaluation of the results may lead to further pilot scale testing, or to full-scale installation at the facility. Mech-Chem’s Acid Purification Units scale-up with consistent efficiency meaning the results generated on a lab unit will match those of a full-scale unit.

Lab units are available for monthly rental or may be purchased. The Lab units are designed to process between 1/2 to one gallon of acid solution, per 24 hours of operation, depending upon the type and concentrations of acids and dissolved metals in solution.

Electrodialysis Lab Unit

Electrodialysis Systems can be operated as a continuous or batch style process. In a continuous system Electrodialysis Stacks are placed in series in order to produce the process quality desired. In a batch system, the dilute and concentrate streams are circulated through an Electrodialysis Stack until the desired concentrate is reached.

Mech-Chem designs, manufactures and installs all sizes of Electrodialysis Systems based on our various customers’ needs. These systems are modular units containing all the components, stack, instrumentation and controls needed to operate the system once it arrives. Simply hook up power, the process streams, and the reclaimed / reject lines and then turn on the unit.
Mech-Chem Associates, Inc.'s Acid Purification (AP) Systems are simple to operate, dependable, and economical. Our AP Systems use an advanced membrane separation technology known as Diffusion Dialysis to separate, recover, and purify strong acids from spent acid solutions contaminated with dissolved metals. An anion exchange membrane serves as a semi-permeable barrier between a flowing stream of water and a flowing stream of process acid. Through this membrane, the processes of both Diffusion and Dialysis occur. These processes are carried out hundreds of times through the numerous internal channels that are contained in the many layers that make up the centrally-located stack of the Acid Purification System.

This acid purification technology is capable of recovering acids from concentrated baths that would have been discarded in the past. The purified acid is returned to the process tank for continued use, while a concentrated metal-containing aqueous solution is removed for waste treatment. Typically, 80-90% of the available acid is recovered in one pass through the AP System, with 70-90% of the dissolved metals removed from this process acid in the same pass through. The Acid Purification Systems manufactured by Mech-Chem Associates, Inc. are tailored to the client’s needs with respect to materials of construction and operating capacity required.
Acid Purification—Diffusion Dialysis Product Line:

AP-300 System (Large Scale)

*Note: Systems in larger need than the AP-300 systems are available as custom designed systems. AP-300 modular units can be designed to run in series along with a mother control module to accommodate volume needed.
## Acid Purification—Diffusion Dialysis Product Line Sizing Chart:

### Model Sizing Based On Frequency of Acid Dump:

Based upon 24 hours per day/7 days per week operation.

Actual calculation: bath volume divided by calendar day of bath life equals gallons/liters per day required.

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Diffusion Dialysis: Stack Layout Diagram

- Top Block:
- Water Inlet
- Acid Reject Out
- Gasket
- Short Channel Core (Acid) / Mesh
- Long Channel Core (Water) / Mesh
- Mesh
- Switchback Core*
- Bottom Block:
- Spent Acid Inlet
- Acid Reclaim Out:

* Note: At the end of every cell the Switchback Core direction is reversed 180° degrees to reverse the current flow direction.
Diffusion Dialysis: Stack Flow Diagram

- Water Inlet
- Acid Reject Out
- Spent Acid Inlet
- Acid Reclalm Out

*The Water Inlet Side has now become your Acid Reclalm Side*