

3M Separation and Purification Sciences Division Data Sheet

Exhibits superior particle retention under increasing differential pressure

3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Filter Cartridges

The Next Generation in Depth Filter Technology

3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series filter cartridges are 3M's latest advance in depth filtration technology. The all polypropylene filter is constructed using a design that utilizes flow enhancing filter media and an innovative flow pattern. The result is an absolute-rated filter with vastly superior on-stream life that provides more cost effective filtration than conventional melt-blown filter technologies. 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter cartridges — the new leader in filtration performance.

3M Betapure NT-T Series Filter Construction

The 3M Betapure NT-T Series cartridge was designed to provide significantly superior service life while maintaining a consistent filtration efficiency. 3M Betapure NT-T Series filters achieve this through an innovative cartridge design that allows uniform distribution of fluid flow and contaminant throughout the entire depth of the cartridge. 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter construction combines a polypropylene media with fluid distribution netting to form multiple layers. Critically positioned media flow channels allow greater movement of fluid from layer to layer. Three distinct media sections, made from multiple media/netting layers, are combined to form the filter cartridge.



Figure 1:

3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Media Sections. Note that the actual filter sections contain multiple layers of media.

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Features & Benefits

Superior service life

• As much as 3 times greater dirt holding capacity than competitive filters.

All polypropylene depth filter cartridges

• Allow for broad chemical and temperature compatibility.

Ratings from 0.5 to 70 micron

Applications

Chemical and Hydrocarbon Processing

Acids, bleach (sodium hypochlorite), polyethylene & polypropylene manufacture, amine sweetening and water flood

Food and Beverage

Bottled water particulate and turbidity reduction, reverse osmosis membrane and spray nozzle protection, diatomaceous earth or carbon fine trap & beverage blending, rinsing and wash water

• Fine Chemical and Electronics

Pre-RO filtration of high silt density index incoming water, copper sulfate plating bath filtration in printed circuit board construction and color screen filtration for CRT production

Coating

Film & paper coatings, photo graphic film, lens coatings & can coatings, high quality paints and ink

Industrial

Machine tool lubrication, chemicals, detergents, and waste water, textiles, plating baths, pulp and paper, process water & ground water remediation



Cut-away of the 3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series filter cartridge showing the three sections of media layers and core

3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Filter Construction cont.

The outer and middle sections contain multiple layers of interleaved filter media and fluid distribution netting. Within each media layer a portion of the fluid travels through the media while the balance of the fluid is delivered directly to the next distribution layer through the flow channels. The fluid distribution netting provides longitudinal and latitudinal flow paths to evenly distribute fluid flow across the surface of each successive media layer.

The Difference is Performance

Flow channels appear in the outer and middle sections of the filter matrix, as seen in the cartridge cut-away. The size, number, and location of the flow channels combined with the fluid distribution netting ensure that a uniform amount of contaminant is distributed to each layer within these two sections, while maintaining a consistent flow.

The number of media flow channels decrease from the outer to middle sections to ensure even contaminant loading throughout the entire filter matrix. Extensive laboratory testing has demonstrated that 3M has developed the optimal filter cartridge design.

The inner section, supported by a rigid polypropylene core and equal to approximately one third of the filter's depth, contains no flow channels and is the final qualifying section ensuring absolute rated performance.

The even distribution of contaminated fluid throughout the depth of the cartridge is the key to the 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter's exceptionally long service life, low pressure drops, and increased cost effectiveness.

The Result

Superior Filter Service Life

Extensive testing has demonstrated that competitive filters of equivalent removal ratings subjected to the same contaminant load plug more quickly than 3M Betapure NT-T Series filters. The result is significantly shorter service life, and unpredictable filtration efficiencies. 3M Betapure NT-T Series filters provide a service life improvement of up to 3 times greater than competitive products. (Graph 1)

Lower Pressure Drop

The design and construction of the Betapure NT-T Series cartridge allows for significantly lower pressure drops compared to equivalently rated polypropylene depth filters. Based on published data, a 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter system with a given flow would use up to 75% fewer cartridges than Osmonics Selex, 68% fewer than Pall® Profile, and 42% fewer than Pall® Nexis. To underscore the 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter cost benefit, use the example in Table 1 as a guideline.



Graph 1: 3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Filters deliver longer service life

Table 1: Comparison of 5 Micron* Filters in a 110 GPM System

	3M [™] Betapure [™] NT-T	Pall	Pall	Osmonics
	Series Filter	Profile	Nexis	Selex
Flow (gpm) / 10" cartridge @ 1 psid	3.1	1.0	1.8	0.8
Number of filters for a 110 gpm flow rate	12 / 30"	37 / 30"	21 / 30"	43 / 30"
	cartridges	cartridges	cartridges	cartridges

* Based on the manufacturers published rating.

For the same initial cartridge differential pressure, a 110 gpm system using 3M[™] Betapure NT-T[™] Series filters require significantly fewer cartridges. This results in lower capital investment for the filter housing and fewer cartridges to purchase.

The Confidence of Consistency

3M Betapure[™] NT-T Series filters utilize advanced design and construction to achieve a level of filtration consistency unattainable by competitive filters. Combined with an exceptionally long service life, the 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter's consistent performance, as illustrated by comparative Beta-Ratio vs. Differential Pressure (Graph 2), provides predictable results throughout the filters' usable life. Filters A, B, and C show a degradation in the Beta-Ratio as psid increases. These filters exhibit a pattern of either unloading previously held particles or a loss of filtration efficiency. The result of this inconsistent performance is a reduction in finished product quality, product yield, and an increase in total filtration cost.

Absolute Rated Betapure NT-T Series

Consistent filtration performance, time after time, from start to finish is the goal of every filter user. Absolute removal ratings for 3M Betapure NT-T Series filters are determined using a filter performance test developed by 3M to comply with the general procedures outlines in ASTM STP 975. 3M defines absolute rating as the particle size (x) providing an initial Beta Ratio (B_x) = 1000. At this Beta Ratio, the removal efficiency is equal to 99.9%. 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter ratings are specified in Table 2.

Your Benefit — Total Filtration Cost Reduction

The 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter's performance and superior life advantage allows direct cost savings by reducing the number of filters used. In addition, the resulting reduction in filter change-out frequency decreases direct labor and filter disposal costs. 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter cartridges — providing performance and value.

Graph 2: Beta Ratios demonstrate the Betapure™ NT-T Series filter's ability to perform consistently throughout its life



Table 2: 3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Filter Ratings

Grade Designation	Absolute Rating (µm)
T005	0.5 (extrapolated)
T010	1
Т020	2
Т030	3
Т050	5
T100	10
T200	20
Т300	30
T400	40
Т500	50
Т700	70



3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Filter Applications

3M Betapure NT-T Series' construction provides benefits to customers in a wide range of end-use filtration applications. High quality filtration along with total filtration cost reductions are very attractive benefits to customers in diverse industries.

Chemical and Hydrocarbon Processing

Cost reduction is the most critical issue in the production of high quality chemicals, petrochemicals, and in hydrocarbon processing. Using 3M Betapure NT-T Series filters in demanding applications that require absolute-rated performance provides long service life, the consistency demanded to attain quality standards, and a total Filtration Cost reduction. Applications include:

- Acids, bleach (sodium hypochlorite)
- Polyethylene and polypropylene manufacture
- Amine sweetening and waterflood

Food & Beverage Applications

Increased consumer emphasis on product quality, as well as increased government regulation, are driving today's food & beverage industry to ever-finer levels of filtration. 3M Betapure NT-T Series filter cartridges meet this challenge throughout their entire service life. Typical applications include:

- Bottled water particulate and turbidity reduction
- Reverse osmosis membrane and spray nozzle protection
- Diatomaceous earth or carbon fine trap
- Beverage blending, rinsing and wash water

Fine Chemical and Electronics

3M Betapure NT-T Series filters with their filter matrix are ideally suited for electronics applications where heavy contaminant loading is present and efficient long lasting filtration is required. The combination of all-polypropylene construction and the media provide the perfect filtration device for use in wafer manufacturing and semiconductor device fabrication. Applications include:

- Pre-RO filtration of high silt density index incoming water
- Copper sulfate plating bath filtration in printed circuit board construction
- Color screen filtration for CRT production

<u>Coating</u>

3M Betapure NT-T Series filter cartridges are well suited for the filtration of high solid coatings where they provide superior life while selectively removing the large undesired particles from the coating and allowing the smaller desired particles to pass. 3M Betapure NT-T Series applications include:

- Film & paper coatings
- Photographic film
- Lens coatings
- Can coatings, high quality paints & ink

<u>Industrial</u>

3M Betapure NT-T Series filter cartridges are ideal for higher dirt loads because of the flow characteristics and long service life that provide reduced overall filtration costs. 3M Betapure NT-T Series cartridges are used in a broad range of general industrial applications that include:

- Machine tool lubrication, chemicals, detergents, and waste water
- Textiles, plating baths
- Pulp & paper
- Process water & ground water remediation



3M Filter Housings

3M manufactures a broad variety of filter housings. Housings are available in a selection of materials and sizes that range from holding a single filter cartridge to hundreds. This breadth of design choice allows a match to your application requirements.

3M[™] ES[™] Series Filter Housing

The 3M ES Series filter housing is a durable, ASME Code designed, high volume filter housing. Conceived to maximize flexibility of design, it is available in carbon steel, 304L or 316L stainless steel and with variety of internal configurations to handle various filter cartridge formats. For more information, ask your local 3M Purification distributor for brochure 70-0201-8711-1.

3M[™] CTG Series Filter Housing

The 3M CTG Series Filter design provides a totally enclosed system using separate pressure vessel and filter pack to isolate process fluid from the housing. This system greatly reduces the costs involved with filter change-out while protecting the environment and operator from exposure to the process fluid. For more information, ask your local 3M Purification distributor for brochure 70-0201-8693-1.

3M[™] DC & SS Filter Housings

3M DC and SS filter housings offer a cost effective alternative for moderate volume filtration (up to 400 GPM). Constructed from 304L stainless steel (Model DC) or 316L stainless steel (Model SS), housings are available for a wide range of flow rates and applications. For more information ask for literature 70-0201-8757-4 and 70-0202-2106-8.

Table 3: 3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Filter Specifications

Material of Construction (All materials are FDA compliant per CFR 21)		
Filter Media, Netting, Core, End Connector	Polypropylene	
Gaskets and O-ring Options (see ordering guide)	Silicone, Fluorocarbon, EPR, Nitrile, Polyethylene	
Filter Cartridge Dimensions		
Inside Diameter	1-3/32" nominal	
Outside Diameter	2-1/2" nominal	
Length	5, 9-3/4, 10, 19-1/2, 20, 29-1//4, 30, 39, 40 inches	
Specification		
Maximum Operation Temperature	180°F (82°C)	
Maximum Differential Pressure	50 psid (3.4 bar) @ 86°F (30°C) 30 psid (2.0 bar) @ 131°F (55°C) 15 psid (1.0 bar) @ 180°F (82°C)	
Recommended Change-out Differential Pressure	35 psid (2.4 bar) @ 86°F (30°C)	



Flow Rates

Detailed information for calculating flows for water and fluids with other viscosities is located in the following table. Use the formula in conjunction with the values from columns 3 or 4 in table 4. The specific pressure drop values may be effectively used when three of the four variables (viscosity, flow, differential pressure, and cartridge grade) are set.



Table 4: 3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Filter Flow Rates

Grada	Absolute Rating (µm)	Specific Pressure Drop per 10" Cartridge		
Grade		psid/gpm/cps	mbar/lpm/cps	
T005	0.5	4.5	81.9	
T010	1	2.5	45.5	
Т020	2	0.87	15.9	
т030	3	0.44	8.0	
Т050	5	0.32	5.9	
T100	10	0.14	2.5	
T200	20	0.065	1.2	
Т300	30	0.05	0.91	
T400	40	0.042	0.76	
T500	50	0.029	0.52	
Т700	70	0.025 0.45		

* Specific aqueous pressure drop at ambient temperature for a single length equivalent (10") cartridge. For multiple cartridge lengths, divide the total flow by the number of equivalent lengths. For liquids other than water, multiply the specific pressure drop value provided in the table by the viscosity in centipoise.

Clean Δp = (Total System gpm [lpm]) (Viscosity in Cp) (Value From Table) (Number of Equivalent Single Length Cartridges in Housing)

Chemical Compatibility

The 100% polypropylene construction provides excellent chemical compatibility in many demanding process fluid applications. Compatibility is influenced by process operating conditions: in critical applications, cartridges should be tested under actual conditions to ensure correct selection.

Application Engineering

3M Purification, Inc., Industrial Products has a global team of market-focused scientists and engineers who excel in supporting and collaborating with end-users. Our technical teams are skilled in performing on-site bench-scale or in-house tests, and relating results to full scale manufacturing operations and optimizing cost of purification. When unique processing problems are encountered, our product and application specialists are equipped to identify solutions using either 3M's broad array of existing products or potentially develop a custom solution for your application.

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A Global, Diversified Technology Company

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3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Ordering Guide

Cartridge	Length	Grade Code/	Packaging	Support Ring	End-modification	Gasket/O-ring
Grade	(Inches)	Rating (µm)	Option	Option		Material
NT – 3M™ Betapure™ NT-T Series	06*-5 09-9-3/4 10-10 19-19-1/2 20-20 29-29-1/4* 30-30 39-39* 40-40	T005 0.5 T010 1 T020 2 T030 3 T050 5 T100 10 T200 20 T300 30 T400 40 T500 50 T700 70	S – Standard	For End Modification D, N, R 0 – None For End Modification B, C, F, M 1 – Polysulfone 2 – Stainless Steel 0 – None	 B - 226 O-Ring with Spear C - 222 O-Ring with Spear D - DOE with Polypropylene End Caps F - 222 O-Ring with Flat Cap M - 222 O-Ring with Flat Cap** N - Unmodified DOE R - SOE, End Cap with Spring 	For End Modification B, C, D, F, M, R A – Silicone B – Fluorocarbon C – EPR D – Nitrile For End Modification N, R G – Polyethylene

[†] Requires N end modification for use in CT101 (PN 44860) only.

* Applies to D and N end modifications only.

** For use with 1ZMP housing.

PLEASE NOTE: The Ordering Guide above is for reference only. Not all combinations are available. Please consult with your 3M Representative to determine the appropriate part number for your application. This 3M[™] Betapure[™] NT-T Series Filter is tested and certified by WQA against NSF/ANSI/CAN 61 for material requirements only.***

*** For O-Ring "K" please consult factory.

Cold Water Only:

Install this product in accordance with the instructions provided by the housing manufacturer.

This product has a minimum flow rate requirement of 6.6 gallons per day (25L per day).

 $\operatorname{\textbf{NOTE:}}$ Configuration R and Gaskets/O-rings K are not listed with WQA.

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