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POWERFUL AND RELIABLE FOR OFFSET PRESSES
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The gamma.d combines a sound design with maximum flexibility to fulfill the various special requirements of web offset presses. The pump system with sealless plunger pumps can optionally be equipped with one standby pump and up to two additional feed pumps. This guarantees an optimum supply of the dampening units connected and a high level of operational safety.

Four different tank sizes, reaching from 230 to 590 litres, allow the system to be individually adapted to the specific press requirements which can vary to a high degree, especially in the case of web presses for newspaper printing.

For dosing of dampening solution additives the fluidos dosing unit can be integrated. It works without any external power supply, simply driven by water pressure. It is the well-proven standard option for dosing the dampening solution additives.

flutos can also be supplied in a double version, for dosing additives and alcohol substitutes, as a back-up unit, or to increase the dosing capacity.

On heatset presses with alcohol dampening it is possible to specify either the alcocontrol alcohol stabiliser with density measurement system, or the alcosmart AZR with its automatic zero calibration system and its precise IR gas sensor system.

For use with spray dampening systems technotrans offers a special line of dampening solution circulators. The sd line can be configured to meet various requirements and gives great operational safety and full access to the quality of the dampening solution making sure critical parameters are easy to control.

Printing companies throughout the world that use the gamma.d line of dampening solution circulators benefit from technotrans 40 years of engineering experience in the field of liquid technology for offset printing applications.

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**CONFIGURATION OPTIONS**

Depending on individual needs, the gamma line can be optionally equipped with different measurement, control, and dosing components.

**DOSING-SYSTEMS**

- **fluidos**
  - no electrical power required
  - robust and maintenance-free
  - additives dosed proportionally to amount of water
  - double fluidos for dosing further additives

- **digidos.p**
  - reproducible accuracy of 0.1 Vol.%
  - specified setpoints via multirom or console
  - consumption monitoring and data logging of water and additives
  - high operational dependability, free of elastomer

**IPA-MEASUREMENT AND CONTROL TECHNOLOGY**

- **alcocontrol**
  - proven and robust design
  - density measurement through float system
  - permanent data logging via inductive sensor
  - fully automated IPA control and empty alarm

- **alcosmart AZR opt**
  - integrated detergent recognition (A1/A2)
  - unaffected by impurities due to contamination or additives
  - automatic zero calibration ensures low maintenance
  - IPA control range from 0–15 Vol.%, accuracy 0.5 Vol.%

**CONDUCTIVITY AND PH MEASUREMENT**

**HOT WATER WASHING DEVICE**

Efficient cleaning of units and alcohol-free dampening solution systems is supported by the integrated hot water washing device of the gamma line.

It cleans the unit or the entire system with fresh water of about 60 °C/140 °F.

Hot water loosens the typical ink and paper residues much better than cold water, reducing biological contamination with lasting effect and minimised cleaning.

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  - 2 with an integrated, water-cooled refrigeration unit, for connection to an external cooling water supply system with in-feed temperatures of 10°C/50 °F min. to 27°C/81 °F max.
  - 3 connection to an external cold-water supply system with an in-feed temperature of 8°C/46 °F or lower

**FILTRATION SYSTEM**

The quality of the dampening solution used has a direct effect on the stability of the printing process. Especially web offset applications have high requirements to the filtration quality. For this reason, the filter mat of the gamma line can optionally be replaced by a softflow filter bag. The softflow offers improved filtration quality and a notably larger filter surface, compared to standard filter mats. This leads to an increased dampening solution lifecycle.

**TYPES**

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BAND FILTER WITH OPTIMISED SURFACE AREA
DIFFERENT DENSITY RATHER THAN PARTICLE SIZE

ADVANTAGES AT A GLANCE:

› HIGH FILTRATION QUALITY
› REDUCED FILTER MATERIAL CONSUMPTION AND FILTER COSTS
› CLEAN DAMPENING SOLUTION CIRCUIT INCREASES MACHINE AVAILABILITY AND IMPROVE PRINT QUALITY
› REDUCED DISPOSAL COSTS
› REDUCED CLEANING EFFORT IN THE DAMPENING SOLUTION SYSTEM
› NO CONSUMABLES REQUIRED DUE TO CENTRIFUGAL FORCE
› IMPROVED DAMPENING SOLUTION QUALITY LEADS TO A MORE STABLE PRINTING PROCESS

EXTREMELY HIGH OUTPUT

Large filter surface area or centrifugal force
The capacities of the web offset printing machines require more dampening solution and, consequently, more cleaning capabilities.

The hydroflow ring band filter is fitted as main filter in the dampening solution return flow from the printing unit. The filter ensures cost-effective separation of the considerable quantity of contaminants. The fully automatic hydroflow saves on intermediate tank filter mats which may need daily replacing. The subsequent main filter stage of the dampening solution circulator can be equipped with a finer filter for smaller particles.

This solution for efficient filtration is particularly convincing since it does not require any filter material at all. The powerful centrifuge in the spinclean.d auto model optimises density differences between usable liquids and contaminants. The result: perfect cleaning with high output, allowing the separated dampening solution to be reused in the circuit.

The type of paper used in web offset presses is normally of a lower quality than in sheet-fed printing. One of the consequences is considerable contamination by ink residues and paper dust, compounded by the speed of the machine. Maintenance becomes expensive and the costs to buy and dispose of the dampening solutions exorbitant.

The spinclean.d also functions with a bypass to the dampening solution circuit. This machine is a good example of how the initially high investment in a solution quickly pays off considering the high volumes and elimination of consumables.