





A typical membrane separator contains thousands of fibers that are bundled and encased at both ends in epoxy resin. The ends of the bundles are cut, which leaves the fiber bores open on both ends, allowing the gas to travel from one end to the other. The bundles of fibers are enclosed in a suitable casing. The casing protects the fibers and routes the gas properly.

Air Products' PRISM membranes: experience, performance, and value.

Air Products' PRISM PA membrane separators are a cost-effective way to manufacture a continuous stream of nitrogen on-site. Using only compressed air, these robust modules use selective permeation to separate nitrogen molecules from oxygen, argon, carbon dioxide and water vapor. The resulting stream of nitrogen is purified and dry, ready for use in most industrial applications.

The N1 separators have excellent nitrogen productivity with competitive nitrogen recovery.

Features/benefits

Durability included

The PA4030-N1 separator is manufactured from high-performance ABS which can withstand some of the most grueling environments. Many of our separators see service cycles longer than ten years of continuous operation.

Flexible application

PRISM membrane separators can be mounted vertically or horizontally to meet your design requirements. Separators are available in a variety of configurations (see ordering information).

Enriched oxygen production: PRISM PA membrane separators can be used to produce oxygen-enriched air, with oxygen levels ranging from 25%–50% purity. Contact our Technical Services department for system requirements.

Quality assured

Every membrane separator has to pass our rigorous testing requirements before it will be released into service. You can be confident that every separator will perform as advertised. Our AS9100 certification meets the exacting requirements of the global aerospace industry for quality management systems.

Industrial grade

PRISM membrane separators are designed to handle industrial production loads. Pressures up to 15 barg ensure that your nitrogen production requirements will be met. The solid construction is a perfect match for remote and severe-duty installations like oil platforms and mining operations.

Passive technology

The selective permeation technology uses a passive system with no moving parts. This simple system allows you to engineer more reliable products that can be deployed in a wide range of environments, including mobile systems.

Simple start-up

PRISM membrane separators are easily commissioned. Simply apply compressed air, and production begins. No break-in period, expensive media, or complex equipment to manage and maintain.

Lightweight

Weighing only 6.6 kg, the PA4030-N1 modules are easily handled by one person, making installation and field service simple.

Performance Specifications*

Purity	99.5%	99.0%	98.0%	97.0%	96.0%	95.0%
5 barg	1.1	1.5	2.2	2.9	3.6	4.3
7 barg	1.7	2.4	3.6	4.6	5.7	6.9
9 barg	2.4	3.4	5.0	6.4	7.9	9.5
12 barg	3.5	4.9	7.2	9.2	11.1	13.6
15 barg	4.6	6.4	9.3	12.1	14.9	17.8

Nitrogen flow rate in normal cubic meters per hour @ 55°C.

Purity	99.5%	99.0%	98.0%	97.0%	96.0%	95.0%
5 barg	7.5	8.0	8.8	9.5	10.3	11.1
7 barg	10.8	11.6	12.9	14.1	15.2	16.5
9 barg	14.2	15.3	17.1	18.7	20.3	22.0
12 barg	19.3	20.8	23.4	25.7	28.1	30.5
15 barg	24.4	26.4	29.8	32.8	35.9	39.0

Feed air flow rate in normal cubic meters per hour @ 55°C.

Ordering Information

Catalog Number	Model Number	Product Description
155778	PA4030-N1-4A-00	Prism Alpha membrane separator. ABS shell, aluminum end caps, ½-inch NPT connection
161930	PA4030-N1-6B-00	Prism Alpha membrane separator, ABS shell, aluminum end caps, ¾-inch BSPP connection
161931	PA4030-N1-7C-00	Prism Alpha membrane separator, ABS shell, aluminum end caps, ½-inch SAE connection

^{*} Performance listed for single module only. Contact our Technical Services department to receive detailed performance charts or to generate computer simulations for your specific production requirements.

Feed air requirements

The compressed air should be treated to remove condensed liquids, entrained mists, and solid particulates before entering the membrane separator. Pretreatment steps typically include compressed air cooling, liquid knockout and filtration. Inlet air temperature and pressure control are required to ensure stable and consistent performance.

Mechanical Design Limits

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Design pressure	26.5 barg	
Design temperature	65.5°C	
Operating Limits		
Pressure maximum	15 barg	
Temperature maximum	55°C	
Materials		
Shell	High-performance ABS	
End caps	6061-T6 Aluminum	
Weight Dimensions Connections	S	
Length	1045 mm	
Width	127 mm	

WARNINGS:

Connection for 155778
Connection for 161930

Connection for 161931

Weight

Gaseous nitrogen is colorless, odorless, inert, tasteless, noncorrosive, and nonflammable. Nitrogen is nontoxic but can act as an asphyxiant by displacing the necessary amount of oxygen in the air to sustain life (a minimum of 19% oxygen is required for life support). Safety procedures must be established and followed before entering any enclosed or poorly ventilated area containing nitrogen-generating equipment or piping. The nitrogen gas generated by the membrane cannot support life.

6.6 kg

1/2" NPT

3/4" BSPP [ISO 1179, ISO 228G 3/4] 7/8" SAE [ISO 11926-1, size -10] For more information regarding
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