Puromet[™] Macroporous, Aminophosphonic Chelating Resin

Puromet MTS9500 is a macroporous chelating resin for applications including separation and recovery of heavy and transition metals.





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Cover image: Puromet MTS9500 being used to separate copper and cobalt from a solution containing 4 g/L cobalt and 200 mg/L copper. A difference in selectivity, due to the special functionality of the resin, causes the two metals to separate into two separate bands, blue copper and pink cobalt. The beige section of resin is as yet un-loaded with any metals.

Puromet MTS9500: Polystyrenic Macroporous, Aminophosphonic Chelating Resin

Puromet MTS9500 is a macroporous chelating resin with a polystyrene matrix cross-linked with divinylbenzene and moderately acidic aminophosphonic active groups. This chemical structure facilitates increased selectivity of the resin towards certain polyvalent cations. Puromet MTS9500 is therefore capable of fixing one or more specific cations from a large range even from solutions which have high concentrations of undesirable cations.

Characteristics	Description
Polymer Matrix Structure	Macroporous Styrene-divinylbenzene
Physical Form & Appearance	Beige to pale brown spheres
Functional Groups	R-CH ₂ -NH-P(0)(OH) ₂
Ionic Form (As Shipped)	Na ⁺
Calcium Capacity	26 g/L (minimum)
Moisture Retention, Na ⁺ Form	57-65%
Particle Size Range	300–1200 μm (1% maximum <300 μm)
Uniformity Coefficient	1.7 (maximum)
Reversible Swelling, $H^+ \rightarrow Ca^+$	20% (maximum)
Reversible Swelling, $H^+ \rightarrow Na^+$	45% (maximum)
Specific Gravity, Moist Na ⁺ Form	1.13 approximately
Shipping Weight, H ⁺ Form (Approximate)	710-745 g/L (44.5-46.5 lb/ft ³)
Temperature Limit (Maximum)	80 °C (175 °F)

TABLE 1 Typical Physical and Chemical Characteristics

Applications

Puromet MTS9500 is instrumental in the production of high-purity cobalt and nickel products (metal and salts), such as demanded by the battery industry. In these applications, Puromet MTS9500 is used to remove low concentrations of impurities, such as lead, copper and zinc from concentrated cobalt and nickel liquors.

The operating capacity of Puromet MTS9500 is dependent on the pH and ionic composition of the solution. It has the ability to operate in acidic, neutral or alkaline environments; however, the relative selectivity for metals varies as a function of pH and ionic concentration. It is recommended to conduct laboratory trials to prove specific processes.

For acidic conditions the following list of relative affinities can help to serve as a guide:

$Fe^{3+} > Bi^{3+} > Sb^{3+} > Pb^{2+} > Fe^{2+} > Zn^{2+} > Cu^{2+} > Mn^{2+} > Ca^{2+} > Mg^{2+} > Ni^{2+} > Co^{2+} > Na^{+}$

Like other ion exchange resins, Puromet MTS9500 is susceptible to oxidation. Therefore, the direct treatment of solutions containing oxidants should be avoided, as it leads to capacity loss. Free chlorine can be removed from feed solutions by treatment with activated carbon, for example, or chemically reduced by reaction with reducing agents such as sulfur dioxide or sodium sulfite.

Puromet MTS9500 can even be used to polish wastewater of traces of select heavy metals that remain after caustic precipitation.

Typical operating conditions are provided in Table 2. The elution conditions for hydrometallurgical applications are adjusted to suit the specific application and several alternative eluants may be used. Contact your Purolite office for more detail.

Step	Design Basis	Duration
Service	8-30 BV/h (1-4 gpm/ft ³)	
Displacement	Only required for more concentrated feed solutions. Conducted at 4 BV/h (0.5 gpm/ft ³) with soft water.	4−6 BV (1 h−1.5 h)
Backwash	Set for minimum water temperature to give 50% bed expansion. Refer to Figure 1 for details.	1–1.5 BV on clean water supplies and 2–3 BV where solids are present.
Bed Settle	To allow the bed to reform fully classified.	5 to 8 minutes
Acid Injection	Typically, 100–150 g/L hydrochloric acid applied at approximately 4–10% HCl concentration at 2–6 BV/h (0.25–0.75 gpm/ft³).	Typically, 30–60 minutes, depending on regeneration level and flow rate.
Slow Rinse	2–3 BV (15–22.5 gal/ft³) at approximate regenerant flow rate with soft water.	Typically, 30–60 minutes, depending on volume of water applied and flow rate.
Sodium Conversion	Typically, 20–80 g/L sodium hydroxide applied at approximately 4% NaOH concentration at 2–4 BV/h (0.25–0.5 gpm/ft ³) Up flow direction in order to fluidize the resin bed and aid the safe expansion to Na form. Alternatively, sodium bicarbonate solution could be used in certain applications. Contact Purolite for details.	Typically, 15–60 minutes, depending on volume of water applied and flow rate.
Slow Rinse	2–3 BV (15–22.5 gal/ft³) at approximate regenerant flow rate with soft water.	Typically, 30–60 minutes, depending on volume of water applied and flow rate.
Fast Rinse	4–6 BV (30–45 gal/ft ³) at approximate service flow rate.	Typically, 10–30 minutes, depending on volume of water applied and flow rate.

The following graphs show the hydraulic data (backwash expansion and pressure drop) of Puromet MTS9500 when used in aqueous solutions for heavy metal removal. For projections of operating capacities, please contact your local Purolite office.

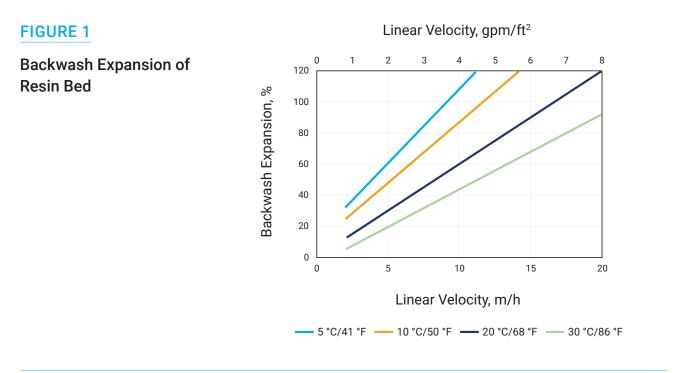
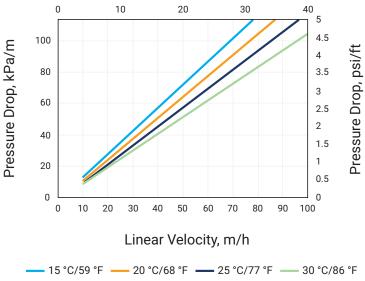


FIGURE 2

Pressure Drop Across Resin Bed

Linear Velocity, gpm/ft²



Notes



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