Filtration Systems

Membrane Chamber Plates
world-wide successful in operation
JVK Membrane Chamber Plates and Filter Elements have been well proved in all industrial fields since 1962.

JVK has influenced all major developments in the filtration field of solid-liquid-separation with new ideas and designs.

JVK produces membrane chamber plates for filtration equipments in accordance to DIN standards or as special designs in polypropylene or other thermoplastics with the JVK developed ICM process.

JVK is offering a long-termed experience on the development, production and application of membrane chamber plates. In 1964 already the first trials had been done in a chemical plant with the first membrane chamber plates.

JVK started the series production of membrane chamber plates equipped with elastomere membranes in 1968.

JVK membrane chamber plates are successfully used worldwide due to the high quality standard and the continuous developments.

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**APPLICATION**

**WASTE WATER / SEWAGE PLANTS**
Waste water treatment and water purification for potable water dewatering and decontamination of industrial and municipal waste water: sewage from dust scrubbers, paper, leather and latex waste water, grinds of wood and stone, coal and ore suspensions from flotation processes neutralization plants, oil refineries metalhydroxide sludges (galvanic) drilling mud of oil rigs

**CHEMISTRY**
Manufacturing of mineral pigments, organic dyestuffs and titanium dioxide, filtration of phosphoric compounds and ferments during the production of wetting, washing and cleansing agents, chemical intermediate products and fillers e.g. kaolin, aluminum oxide, activated clay etc. chlorine electrolysis, filtration of brine to produce chlorine, sodium hydroxide, zeolite, silica etc.

**PHARMACEUTICALS**
Extraction and washing of intermediate products with sterilisation at temperatures up to 100 °C filtration of blood plasma, syrup etc.

**BIOTECHNOLOGY**
Filtration of blood plasma and other substances, which may not get in contact with bacteria.

**FOOD**
Production of soup, soup flavours, rice noodles, sugar, vegetable oil, palm oil, fruit juice, wine, yeast, starch, gelatine, beer, agar-agar etc.

**CERAMICS**
Dewatering of caolin, chalk, clay, porcelain and ceramic bulks

**METALLURGY**
Filtration of metallic salt solutions serving as first step of electrolysis when refining nickel, copper, silver, gold and uranium and by-products as molybdenum electrolytic separating of metals reprocessing of batteries

**PAPER INDUSTRY**
Recovery of water and fibres etc.

**SYNTHETIC FIBRES**
Spinning fibres, gel filtration of viscose

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**PP FILTERPLATES**

- Long life time
- Superior product quality
- Minimal cloth strain
- Excellent sealing
- Good heat insulation
- Easy cleaning
- Light weight

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**JVK MEMBRANE SYSTEM**

- Exchangeable membranes
- Short filtration and washing cycles
- Low residual cake moisture
- Large cross area of filtrate outlet
- High elasticity of membrane
- Sealing of filter plate system
- Safety factor of the membrane system
- Many fields of application
1. SHORT FILTRATION CYCLE
A low cake moisture content by pressure filtration can be achieved with recessed plates by high filtration pressure and long filtration time only (B).
The membrane system requires much lower filtration pressure to fill the chambers (A).
The low cake moisture content is caused by squeezing with a flexible membrane (C).
The production cycle is determined by
• fast feed of chambers at low filtration pressure
• cake squeezing in a few minutes

2. LOW RESIDUAL MOISTURE
application of squeezing pressure to filter cake by elastic membranes replaces the high pressure filtration phase of recessed plates.

Advantages:
• remarkable reduction of residual cake moisture in short time
• shortening of total filtration cycle time.
• increased filtrate output
• very short discharge time
• increase of solid content up to ca. 100% with special vacuum process
• less cake adhesion on the filter cloth
• automatisation of filtration process
• lower costs for pumps
• savings in energy and deposit costs
• less transport costs due to compact and very dry filter cakes

3. SHORT WASHING CYCLE
JKV membrane technology creates homogeneous cake without cracks by applying a low membrane squeeze pressure during cake washing

4. EXCHANGEABLE MEMBRANE
The Membrane is easily exchangeable inside or outside of the filter press.
• no exchange of the complete filter plate
• only replacement of membrane necessary

5. LOAD ON MEMBRANE
The membrane doesn’t cover the PP sealing rim and the support bosses of the plate.
• no direct press closing force is applied to the membrane
• no need for an additional filter press closing force control in most applications

6. HIGH ELASTICITY OF MEMBRANE
The elastic membrane adjusts itself, without permanent deformation, caused by uneven cake surface, or different cake densities.
• this creates uniform cakes of equal density
• more even cake for washing and blowing
• Extension of the membrane into empty chamber without any problems

7. SEALING OF FILTER PLATE SYSTEM
• perfect sealing by plan-parallel machining of membrane chamber plates according to DIN 7129
• complete gasketed version (CGR) available

8. LARGE FILTRATE OUTLET CROSS AREA
diameter and quantity of filtrate outlet ports can be adapted to process requirements
• big filtrate volumes can easily be drained off
• no blocking due to solids and/or crystallisation
• no clogging by filtercloth.

9. FIELDS OF APPLICATION
The materials used by JVK, allow installations in almost every field of application and can be adapted to any working conditions:
• temperatures -20 up to 140°C
• filtration pressure up to 1,5 MPa (15 bar)
• squeezing pressure up to 6,0 MPa (60bar)
• extreme temperature variations
• variety of chemicals

10. SAFETY OF MEMBRANE SYSTEM
JKV membrane is neither bolted nor welded as a rigid connection into the sealing area.
• Squeezing medium pressure can only be maintained under full closing pressure of the filter press.
• The membrane is immediately released from groove, if the closing pressure is lower than the squeezing pressure.

The use of the operating manual grants a safe working with JVK membrane chamber plates.
DESIGN

The design covers all relevant technical requirements

• designed to operating conditions
• simple construction
• outstanding functional safety
• trouble free maintenance

1. BASIC CONSTRUCTION
• standard and special designs
• feed and corner ports internal or external of filter plates in different positions

2. MEMBRANE CORE PLATE
• one piece moulded with JVK ICM technology
• ultra high molecular high heat stabilized polypropylene (PP)
• machined according DIN 7129
• other materials available

3. MEMBRANE
• vulcanised or made from thermoplastic special elastomers EPDM, NBR, SBR, PP-TPE, FKM (VITON) etc.

4. SQUEEZING MEDIUM
• air or liquid
• external manifold with single plate supply
• internal channel

5. MEMBRANE INSTALLATION
• the membrane is detachable installed in sealing rim, support boss and feed hole
• no metal parts inside chamber

6. FILTERCLOTH
• barrel neck
• drape over also with grip ring
• barrel neck or drape over with support and distribution rings

The combination of JVK membrane- and combination chamber plates is a proven design. The advantages are significantly: Reduced installation costs and no restrictions as for non-elastic membranes.

The use of support and distribution rings secures the even filling of chambers. Differential pressures and plate bending are reduced.
OPERATION

1. FEEDING OF FILTER PRESS
During the feed step (1) the elastic membrane (2) moves back towards the core plate (3) under low tension.
Press feeding finishes when the optimal operating point is achieved.
Filtration finishes prematurely at lower pressure and less time compared to chamber plates.

2. WASHING THROUGH FEED PORT
To be done after filtration cycle, no squeezing pressure and no chamber overfilling allowed (4).
Cake washing fluid is forced through the pasty center to both sides of the cake.

3. PRE-SQUEEZING AND WASHING THROUGH CORNER PORTS
The filtercake is consolidated in the chamber by applying low membrane pressure to avoid gaps or cracks.
Following washing versions can be used:
• washing in one direction right to left
• washing in alternate directions or diagonal
• washing top to bottom or
• bottom to top (flooded)
• washing media is forced to penetrate the cake from the membrane chamber plate to the combination chamber plate.

4. SQUEEZING OF FILTER CAKE
According to the cake structure the membrane pressure is reducing the residual moisture content in the filter cake significantly.
The squeezing pressure is normally higher than the filtration or the pre-squeezing pressure.
After squeezing the cake thickness should be smaller than the chamber depth. Otherwise overfilling of the chambers could be existent.

5. FILTER CAKE BLOW
Filter cake blow is performed by corner ports.
Non compressible filter cakes can be dried additional under assistance of squeezing pressure.
STANDARD MEMBRANE- AND COMBINATION CHAMBER PLATES

APPLICATION IN ALL INDUSTRIES

Sizes and Designs from 150 x 150 mm to 2000 x 2000 mm and 2500 x 3000 mm as a special design available.
Squeeze Indicator
Indication of the end of squeezing process.
Early detection of leakages in the package.
Installation in existing membrane chamber plates possible.

ACCESSORIES FOR MEMBRANE- AND COMBINATION CHAMBER PLATES

ACCESSORIES
membranes
support- and distribution rings
membrane clamping rings
cloth fixing rings
grip rings
filtercloth
filter cloth locking unions
filter cloth pegs
liner
O-rings, caulking rubber
handles
outlet taps
threat inserts
scrapers

CGR gasketed design membrane- and combination chamber plates are available in all sizes.

Squeeze indicator integrated in the handle of a membrane chamber plate

distribution ring
support ring
distribution ring for corner feed
support ring for corner feed
cloth grip rings
membrane clamping ring
**SPECIAL DESIGNS**

**APPLICATION IN SPECIAL INDUSTRIES**

Membrane plate in combination with filter plate and frame for blood plasma filtration 815 x 815 mm.

Filter press with filter plate combination for blood plasma filtration

Aluminum chamber plate 1200 x 1200 mm in combination with FKM (VITON) membranes

Filter press with membrane- and combination chamber plates 1200 x 1200 mm. Filtration of metal pigments with solvents, 16 bar squeezing pressure

Membrane- and combination chamber plate 1200 x 1200 mm. PVDF plate and EPDM membrane are electric dischargeable. Application at extremely high temperatures and/or with aggressive chemicals.

Filter press with PVDF membrane- and combination chamber plate 1200 x 1200 mm, application Metallurgy, chemistry etc.
RELY ON THE EXPERTS IN FILTRATION

SPECIAL DESIGNS

APPLICATION IN SPECIAL INDUSTRIES

Membrane chamber plate 1500 x 1500 mm for LASTA filter presses (Ishigaki). Application mining industry, metallurgy etc.

Combination chamber plate 1500 x 1500 mm for LASTA filter presses.

Membrane and combination chamber plate 1500 x 1500 mm for SALA filter press. Application mining, chemical industry, metallurgy, etc.

SALA filter press with JVK membrane- and combination chamber plates 1500 x 1500 mm

Membrane chamber plate 2000 x 2000 mm for filtration of flotation suspensions in mining industry, metallurgy etc.

Combination chamber plate 2000 x 2000 mm with maximum chamber volume for high throughput. Abrasion protection at the slurry feed hole.
SPECIAL DESIGN

HIGH PERFORMANCE MEMBRANE CHAMBER PLATE
FOR HIGH SQUEEZING PRESSURE UP TO 6,0 MPa
PATENT No. DE 102 21 061 world-wide applied.

With exchangeable, non perforated membranes

APPLICATION
This plate system can be used in all industries
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• squeezing pressure up to 6,0 MPa (60 bar)
• full automatic operation in the filterpress with perfect cake discharge
• the cake thickness 20–50 mm depends on the squeezing pressure

OPERATION
• the chamber gets filled by the feed chamber plate (FCP) only
• the filter cloth is clamped leakage-free by a feed nozzle
• the cake is squeezed by the compression chamber plate (CCP)

ADVANTAGES
• extremely high dry solid content in the cake
• no perforations in the membrane
• no blockage of feedport by optimal cake discharge
• full automatic filtration cycle
• any wanted suspension inlet in every chamber possible
• long life time of the membrane
• simple installation
• safe sealing
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SPECIAL DESIGN

HORIZONTAL MEMBRANE CHAMBER PLATE
PATENT No. DE 19905674
Filter press with horizontal filter plates set-up

JVK presents a new developed membrane chamber plate system for tower filter presses with easy replaceable membranes. For the stability and the compensation of the thermal expansion the membrane plates are flexible supported by a steel frame.

ADVANTAGES
• simple conversion of existing plates without reconstruction of the filter press
• fast and easy installation
• minimum 2 chambers per plate with small membranes
• long life time of the small membranes
• fast exchange of the membranes inside the filter press possible
• low weight of the plate
• corrosion resistant PP core plate, easy to clean
• one piece moulded plate
• grid drainage made from abrasion resistant PE

APPLICATION
This plate system can be used in many industries. The typical operating conditions are:
• filtration pressure up to 0,6 MPa (6 bar)
• squeezing pressure up to 1,5 MPa (15 bar)
• filtration temperature up to 90°C

Available in the sizes:
2000 x 1000 mm
4000 x 1700 mm
Special designs possible

Horizontal membrane plate 2000 x 1000 mm view on abrasion resistant PE drainage grid

Horizontal membrane plate 2000 x 1000 mm membrane view

Horizontal membrane plate 4000 x 1700 mm view on abrasion resistant PE drainage grid

Horizontal membrane plate 4000 x 1700 mm membrane view
CAKE DRYING WITH MEMBRANE CHAMBER PLATES

APPLICATION
- Cake drying with JVK membrane chamber plates combines dewatering and drying in one filter press only
- The cake drying with heated membranes is patented
- After filtration the cavity between membrane and core plate is filled with hot water or steam to heat the membrane
- The generated water vapor from the filter cake is removed by vacuum or by pressure shocks with hot dry air
- The permanent cake shrinkage is compensated by the expanding membrane keeping the heat contact to the cake
- Washing, sterilizing and cake blowing before drying process is possible with this new JVK System
- Special membranes with high thermal conductivity and fast heat transfer have been developed

ADVANTAGES
- For the process steps of filtration and drying no additional drier is necessary
- Easy conversion of existing filter presses to cake drying system
- This new development allows to use also a mixed package
- Possibility to work with normal membrane chamber plates instead of special filter plates
- The cake volume is not reduced by separate heating plates
- Treatment of different batch sizes by constant product quality
- Minimum thermal losses
- Due to the drying in the filter press there is no risk of explosion or dust combustion
- No protection against abrasion and corrosion needed
- Low disposal costs by maximum weight and volume reduction of the cake
SPECIAL DESIGN

MEMBRANE CHAMBER PLATE FOR THE SUGAR INDUSTRY
PATENT No. DE 19905674

APPLICATION
• Use in carbonated lime filtration from first stage of carbonization
• full automatical filtration cycle and cake release
• for all kind of filter presses in raw juice filtration of sugar beets
• for filter presses 1000 x 1000 mm to 1500 x 1500 mm
  with corner-, center-, or bottom feed port
• membrane plates for tower filter presses with stainless steel
  frame, plate sizes 2000 x 1000 mm and 4000 x 1700 mm,
  patented design
• in the sugar industry more than 3000 filter plates are successful
  in operation

MEMBRANE FILTER PLATES IN FILTER PRESSES

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Usual press capacities:
1.6 to 3.2 m³ total volume and 70 m² to 145 m² filter area

ADVANTAGES
• increase of throughput up to ca. 400 % compared to normal
  recessed plates
• reproducible lower residual moisture in filter cake in the
  range of 25% – 32%
• reproducible de-sweetening results of around 0,1% can be
  achieved easily
• very short cycle times realized by using special developed
  elastomere membrane material for high temperatures
• very long life time under rough operation conditions by
  one piece moulded plates
• process safety by large filtrate outlets, blockage by filtercloth
  or crystallization extremely reduced
• overhang filter cloth and elimination of support cloth contributes
  to additional cost savings

MEMBRANE PLATES IN TOWER FILTER PRESSES

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Usual press capacities:
1.3 to 1.8 m³ total volume and 34 m² bis 47 m² filter area
**SIZES AND DESIGNS**

Standard Plate sizes according to DIN 7129

- **Cake thickness before squeezing:** 25 to 50 mm

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**SPECIAL DESIGNS**

- Special sizes and designs up to ca. **3000 x 2500 mm** according to customers requirements are possible to be developed and manufactured.
- For the waste water filtration with polymer conditioning plates with extremely big filtrate outlets are available.
- For temperatures higher than 110 °C and for the filtration of organic solvents we recommend PVDF or Aluminum instead of Polypropylene for plate material.

**JVK SERVICE**

Our service team will support you at installation of the JVK Membrane Chamber Plates:

- Development for special application
- Calculation
- Efficiency tests on JVK or customer site possible
- Process optimization
- Commissioning
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**JVK PRODUCTION FACILITIES**

for manufacturing of standard and customized filter elements to DIN 7129 are on highest technical level:

**Presses** for the production of filter plates up to sizes of 3000 x 2500 mm and to a thickness of 200 mm, according to the JVK ICM- process, with the following advantages:

- homogenous material, one piece moulded without welded joints and inlay parts
- minimal thermal load during production
- extremely even distribution of micro crystallites
- low internal tensions
- excellent mechanical characteristics
- high chemical resistance

Certificate according to DIN EN ISO 2000 : 9001
TÜV Rheinland Group
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**CNC – milling machinery** for highest precision in the mechanical handling of large and small series of plates up to 3000 mm x 2500 mm.

**Workshops** are well equipped for mould construction, electronic installations, maintenance, machine- and tool repair.

**Design Department** equipped with the newest 3D CAD Systems.

**Engineering** and **Research Department** for the continuous development of innovative technical solutions and new JVK products.

**Laboratory** and **quality control** for testing and controlling to guarantee and ensure the high quality of the JVK products.

The designs of JVK products are world-wide protected by patents and trademark rights.