



# Alfa Laval M30 module

## System modules for membrane filtration

### Introduction

Alfa Laval offers a range of system modules which are based on the unique plate-and-frame design.

The Alfa Laval M30 module is specially developed for the treatment of low to medium viscous products by means of reverse osmosis (RO) and nanofiltration (NF).

The module tolerates operation at high pressure (up to 60 bar). It can be equipped with the entire range of flat sheet membranes from Alfa Laval for RO and NF.

### Applications

The Alfa Laval M30 module is excellently used within the biotech and pharmaceuticals industry, the food and beverages industry as well as for the treatment of water and waste. Some examples are:

#### Biotech and Pharmaceuticals

- amino acids/organic acids — concentration
- antibiotics — concentration
- low-molecular weight solutions — concentration

#### Food and Beverages

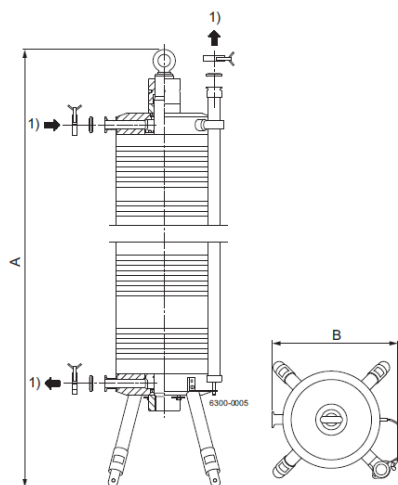
- diluted food and beverages — concentration

#### Water and Waste Treatment

- industrial water and waste treatment

### Benefits

- open channel design for the handling of a wide range of viscosities
- concentration of heat sensitive and low molecular weight solutions
- accurate production up-scaling by increase of size or number of modules
- easy cleaning by CIP (Cleaning-In-Place)
- easy membrane failure detection and exchange on-site
- rugged yet flexible stainless steel and polymer construction
- low energy consumption
- low internal volume
- sanitary design with all components manufactured in compliance with FDA and EU regulations



1: size 38 clamp  
 A: 1000 — 2200 mm  
 B: 395 mm

## Standard sizes

The Alfa Laval M30 module is available in the following standard sizes defined by membrane area:

| Membrane area, m <sup>2</sup>   | 4.5  | 7.5  | 19   |
|---------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Height A, mm                    | 1000 | 1700 | 2200 |
| Shipping weight, kg             | 135  | 150  | 340  |
| Shipping volume, m <sup>3</sup> | 0.3  | 0.4  | 0.5  |

## Module designation

Example: **Alfa Laval M30-19-3-RO98 pHt™**

|                |   |                               |
|----------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Alfa Laval M30 | = | Module type                   |
| 19             | = | Membrane area, m <sup>2</sup> |
| 3              | = | Number of sections            |
| RO98 pHt™      | = | Type of membrane              |

## Module data

| Model                                    | Alfa Laval M30 module   |
|--|---|
| Generic design                           | Plate-and-frame module for cross-flow membrane filtration       |
| Plate-and-frame design                   | M30 plates in M30 frame   |
| Membrane area, m <sup>2</sup>            | 4.5 — 19  |
| Membrane type <sup>1</sup>               | All flat sheet membranes for reverse osmosis and nanofiltration |
| Number of sections                       | 1 or 3–5–7 uniform sections connected in parallel               |
| Number of section plates                 | 1 per section   |
| Number of support plates                 | 1 per 0.1 m <sup>2</sup> of membrane area installed             |
| Number of spacer plates                  | Same as number of support plates minus number of section plates |
| Number of flat sheet membranes           | 2 per support plate installed                                   |
| Cross-flow configuration within sections | Membrane sheets of 0.05 m <sup>2</sup> in series                |
| Liquid capacity                          | 1.65 l/m <sup>2</sup> of membrane area installed                |
| Dry weight, kg                           | 80 + 10 kg/m <sup>2</sup> membrane area installed               |

<sup>1</sup> Must be ordered separately

The module is mounted on adjustable legs. A single centre bolt connects top and bottom flanges.

## Operating data

| Model   | Alfa Laval M30 module                                |
|---|--|
| Max. inlet pressure, bar <sup>1</sup>               | 60   |
| pH range  | 1 – 9 (1 – 12 in CIP)                                |
| Max. temperature, °C <sup>1</sup>                   | 55   |
| Cross-flow range, l/min./plate                      | 10 — 30 / support plate in one section               |
| Differential pressure, bar                          | 2 — 10   |
| Viscosity range, apparent, cP                       | 1 – 20   |
| Max. plate stack pressure, bar                      | 60 at 0 – 40°C / 10 at 55°C                          |
| Max. plate stack compression force, kN <sup>2</sup> | 20   |
| Max. back pressure at permeate tube outlet, bar     | 0.1 at static conditions / 0.3 at dynamic conditions |

<sup>1</sup> For detailed information about operating conditions, please see the specifications for the membrane type applied

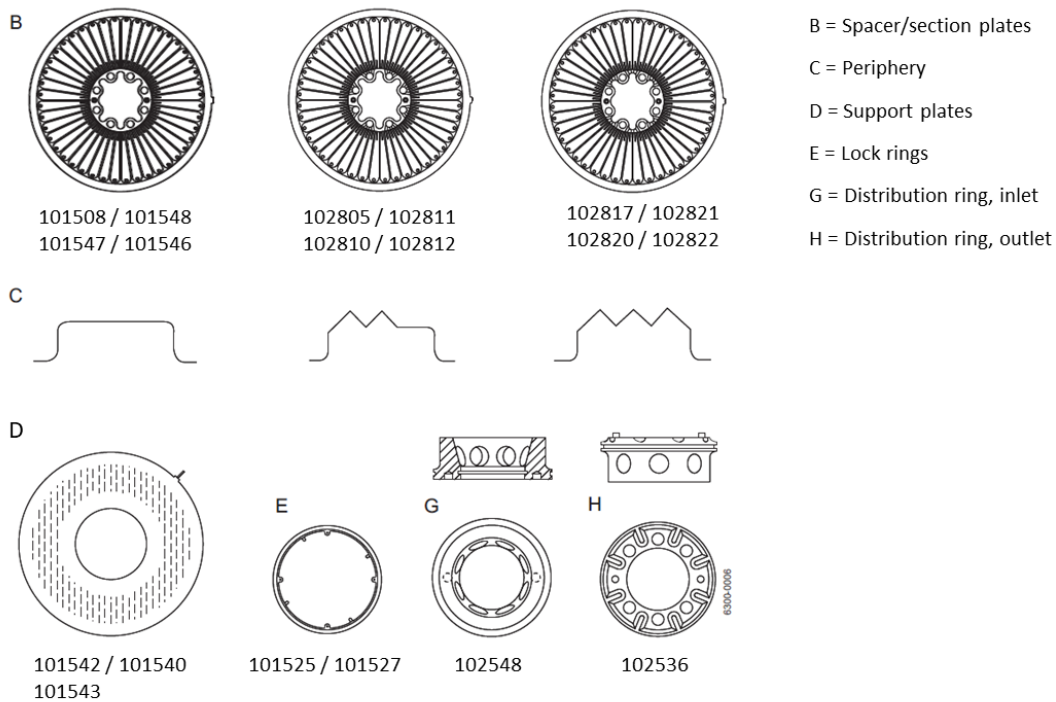
<sup>2</sup> Hydraulic tool kit, type T30, code No. 108491 to be used. Must be ordered separately

## Module material

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Support, spacer and section plates  | Polypropylene oxide (PPO), Polysulphone (PSO), Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) |
| Membrane lock ring                  | Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)  |
| Permeate hose                       | Silicone rubber (Si)  |
| Gasket and o-ring                   | Nitrile rubber (NBR)  |
| Internal/product wetted steel parts | Acid resistant steel, min. AISI 316   |
| External steel parts                | Stainless steel, min. AISI 304  |
| Cross-flow in/outlet connections    | Size 38 clamp ferrule ISO 2852  |
| Permeate outlet tube connections    | Size 38 clamp ferrule ISO 2852  |
| Permeate tube and hose connector    | Polysulphone (PSO)  |
| Membrane sheet                      | Polymer <sup>1</sup>  |

<sup>1</sup> For detailed information about the membrane material, please see the specifications for the membrane type applied

## Plates and accessories



| Designation                                 | Material                               | Code No. |        |        |
|---|--|----------|--------|--------|
| Spacer/section plate                        | Polypropylene oxide (PPO-I, Industry)  | 101508   | 102805 | 102817 |
| Spacer/section plate                        | Polypropylene oxide (PPO-S, Sanitary)  | 101548   | 102811 | 102821 |
| Spacer/section plate                        | Polysulphone (PSO)                     | 101547   | 102810 | 102820 |
| Spacer/section plate                        | Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)         | 101546   | 102812 | 102822 |
| Support plate                               | Polypropylene oxide (PPO)              | 101542   |        |        |
| Support plate                               | Polysulphone (PSO)                     | 101540   |        |        |
| Support plate                               | Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)         | 101543   |        |        |
| Lock ring, for PPO module <sup>1</sup>      | Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)         | 101525   |        |        |
| Lock ring, for PSO/PVDF module <sup>1</sup> | Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF)         | 101527   |        |        |
| Distribution ring, inlet                    | Stainless steel, AISI 316 <sup>2</sup> | 102548   |        |        |
| Distribution ring, outlet                   | Stainless steel, AISI 316 <sup>2</sup> | 102536   |        |        |

<sup>1</sup> Must be ordered separately

<sup>2</sup> C=0.05% Mo=1.5%

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