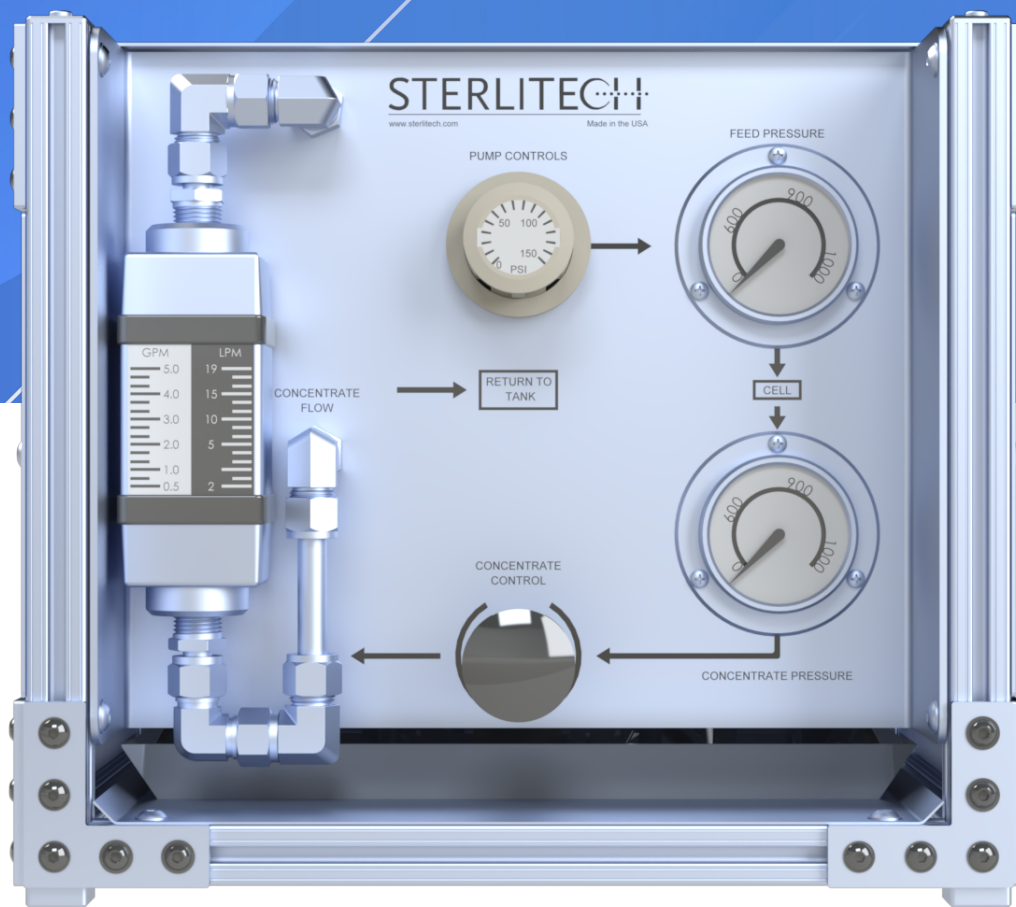


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Benchtop Explosion Proof Filtration System

Assembly and Operation Manual



Introduction

The Explosion-proof Benchtop System operates completely on gas/air power and requires no electricity to operate. This design allows for safe operation of combustible fluids without the need for explosion-proof wiring, leading to a more cost-effective solution for organic solvent nanofiltration (OSN), among other applications. This system is batch operated, requiring a gas source for system pressurization and an air source for pump operation.

System Features

SYSTEM FEATURE	DESCRIPTION
Cell Type	CF016, CF042, CF047, CF090, Sepa, 1812
Configuration	1 Line, Closed System
Feed Flow Rate	13.3 LPM (3.5 GPM)
Max Pressure	69 bar (1000 psi)
Max Temperature	82 °C (180 °F)
Air Supply Required (for pump operation)	50-100 PSI Compressed/Shop Air
Gas Supply Required (for System Pressure, SP)	Gas Canister: At or Above SP Shop Air: 100PSI w/ Booster to SP
Pump Rating	316SS Air Operated Pump
Feed Tank	Stainless Steel, 11.4 Liter (3 Gallon) Capacity

Materials of Construction

LOCATION	MATERIALS
Pump	316L SS / PTFE / PEEK
Plumbing	316 SS / FKM / PTFE / Glass
Cell / Housing	See Housing/Cell Manual

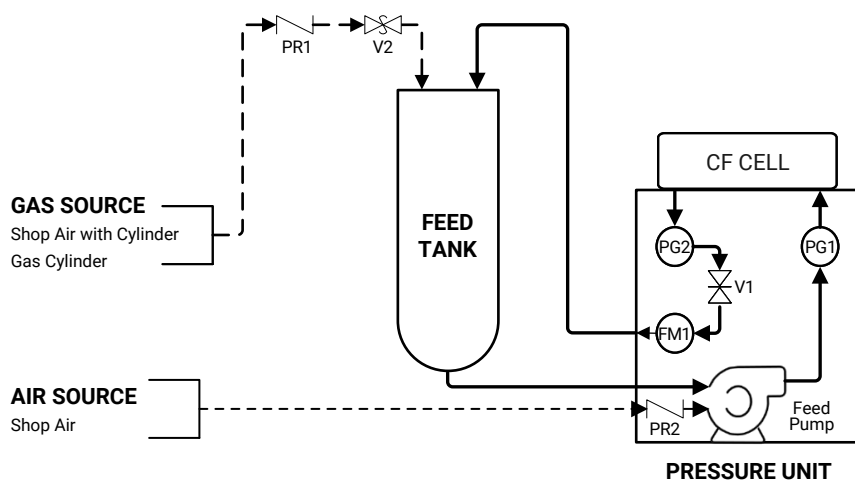
Use this [Chemical Compatibility Chart](#) to check the compatibility of your process fluid with the wetted parts. For fluids not listed, contact Sterlitech.

Temperature Limit

The system should not be operated above 180 °F (82 °C). The membranes, feed/permeate spacers, O-rings, and cell body material may contribute to lower the actual temperature limit of the system.

**Maximum pressure and temperature ratings are dependent on a variety of factors. Listed values are guidelines based upon material properties and cannot be guaranteed in every application.*

System Diagram

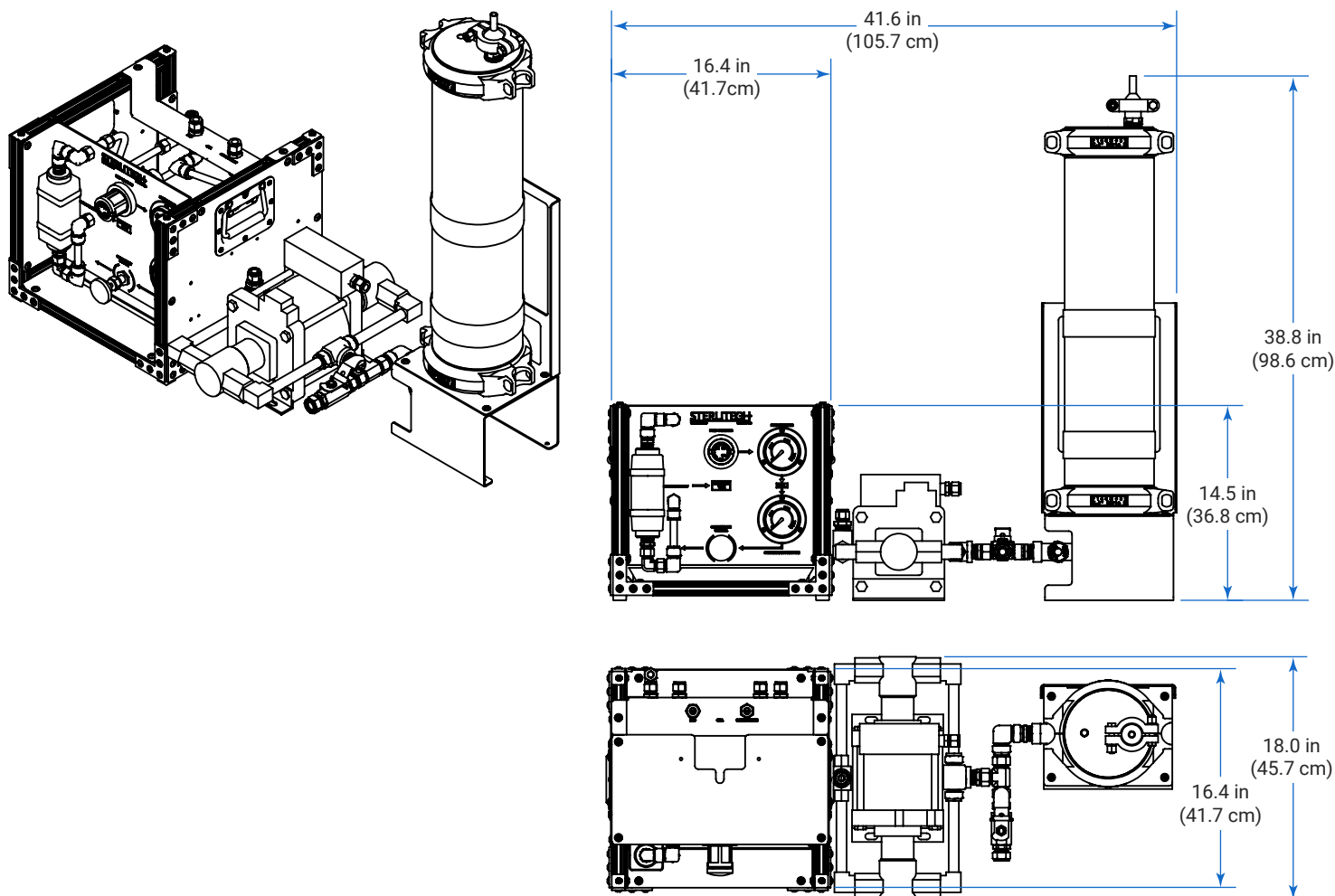


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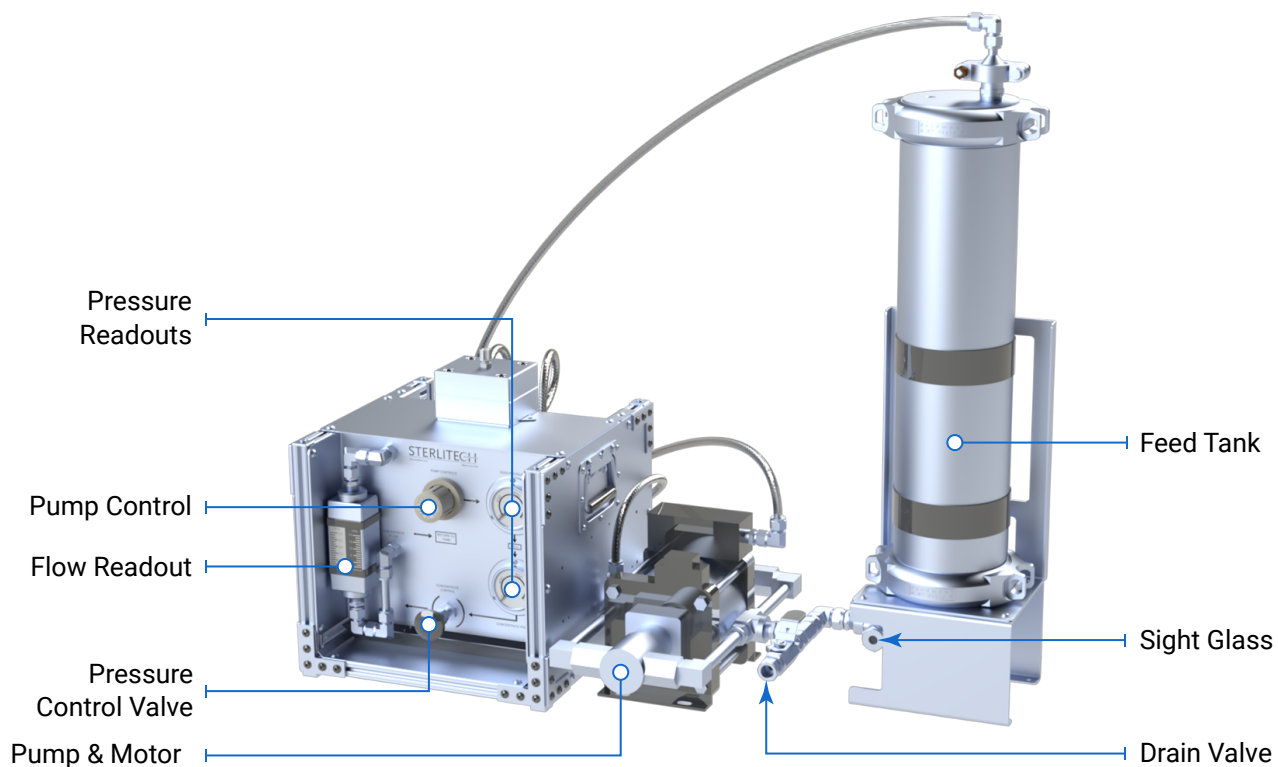
V1	Pressure Control Valve
V2	Gas Vent Valve
FM1	Feed Flow Meter
PG1	Feed Pressure Gauge
PG2	Concentrate Pressure Gauge
PR1	Gas Pressure Regulator (High Pressure)
PR2	Air Pressure Regulator (Low Pressure)

--- High Pressure Gas Line
 - - - - Low Pressure Gas Line
 ——— High Pressure Fluid Line

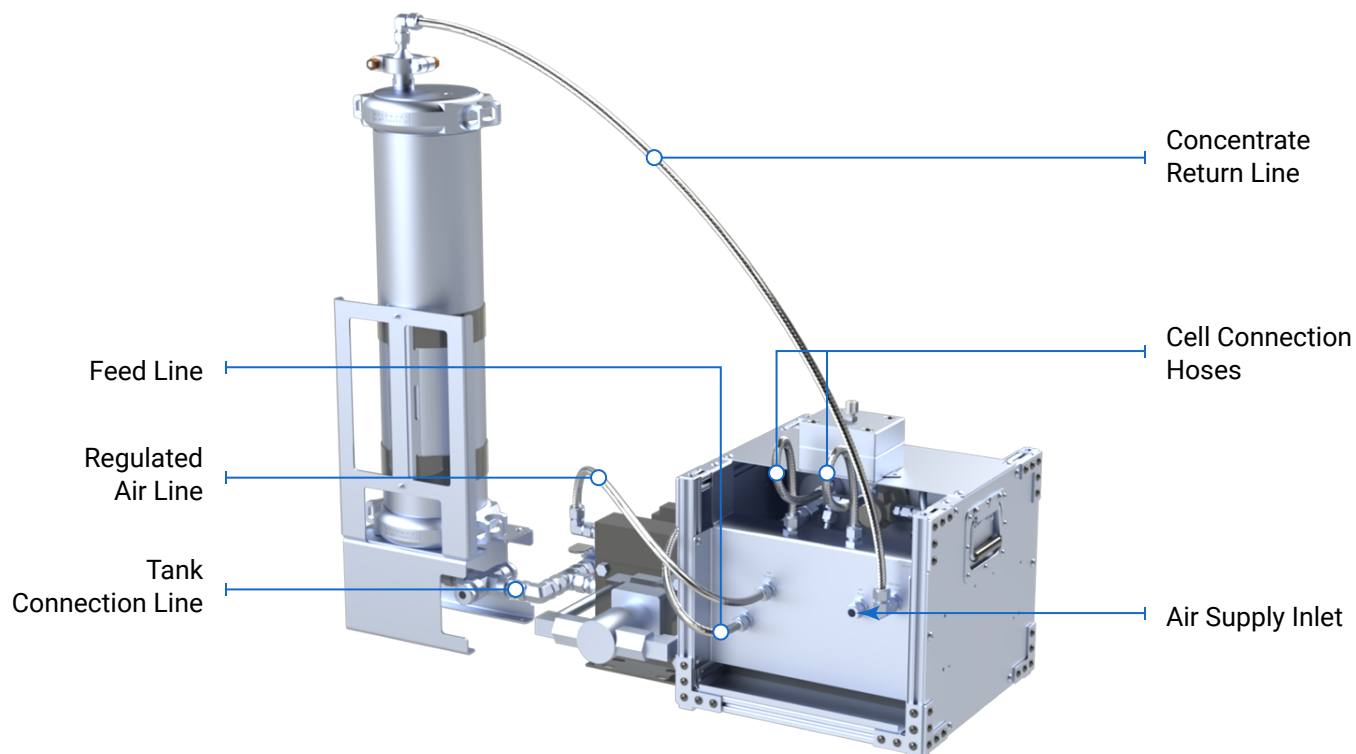
System Dimensions



System Overview and Feature Identification



Additional Feature Identification



Basic Operating Resources

[Benchtop System Video Resources](#)

Including:

- [Initial Setup](#)
- Cell Installation ([CF016/CF042](#), [Sepa](#), [1812](#))
- [System Startup, Operation, and Shutdown](#)
- [Fluid Recovery Process](#)

Additional Operation Resources

[MPD Cell Quick Reference Guide](#)

[CF Filtration Handbook](#)

Includes:

- Basics of Forward osmosis Filtration
- FAQs
- Example Studies
- Cutting Custom Membrane Filters
- Preconditioning Membranes
- Temperature Effect on Membranes

[Compression Connection Video](#)

[Cutting Custom Membrane Filters](#)



Troubleshooting Resources

Online we have many video references should you encounter any issues with your system.

You can view these at this link: [Membrane Process and Development Channel](#).

Maintenance

General Maintenance:

Proper flushing/cleaning is recommended after each run (e.g., brackish, seawater, or organic solvents).

This will eliminate the formation of deposits/scales or corrosion of the system.

Replacement Accessories

CELL TYPE	SPARE PARTS AVAILABLE	SPARE PARTS LINK
CF047 / CF090	Alternative O-rings, Membrane Punches	Pioneer Researcher Cells - Cross and Tangential Flow Test Cells Sterlitech
CF016	Alternative O-rings, Shim Packs, Spacer Packs, Permeate Carrier, Membrane Cutting Die	Innovator - Cross and Tangential Flow Test Cells Sterlitech
CF042	Alternative O-rings, Shim Packs, Spacer Packs, Permeate Carrier, Membrane Cutting Die	Explorer - Cross and Tangential Flow Test Cells Sterlitech
Sepa	Alternative O-rings, Shim Packs, Spacer Packs, Permeate Carrier, Membrane Cutting Die, etc.	Developer - Cross and Tangential Flow Test Cells Sterlitech
1812 Housing	Alternative O-rings, Adapters, Membrane Elements	Spiral Wound Housings - Membrane Housings and Elements Sterlitech
Tubular Ceramic Housing	Alternative O-rings/Gaskets	Ceramic Housings - Membrane Housings and Elements Sterlitech

Return Material Order Procedure

If materials are to be returned to Sterlitech for repair, evaluation, or warranty consideration, a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number must be obtained from Sterlitech prior to the return. Contact Sterlitech Customer Service Department for return forms and procedures.

Be sure to include a complete, detailed written reason for the return. Also, include serial numbers, installation and removal dates, and any other pertinent information that is available. The crossflow cells have a serial number imprinted on them.

Indicate the proposed disposition of the material and reference the RMA number on all the packages or cartons. All material must be shipped to Sterlitech with freight prepared by the customer.

Warranty

The following is made in lieu of all other warranties expressed or implied. Sterlitech Corporation guarantees equipment to be free from defects in material and workmanship when operated in accordance with written instructions for a period of one year from receipt. Parts not manufactured by Sterlitech are covered by their manufacturer's warranties, which are normally for one year.

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Company Background

Founded in 2001 in Kent, WA, Sterlitech Corporation manufactures and markets filtration-focused laboratory products to a broad spectrum of scientific and industrial sectors. Its line of flat sheet membranes and tangential flow cells deliver industry-leading performance and reliable results. Configured for reverse osmosis, nanofiltration, ultrafiltration, and microfiltration applications, Sterlitech's benchtop cross flow membrane test system provides the versatility required to innovate.

Sterlitech's comprehensive line of products is supported by the expertise of its technical specialists who can assist with application-specific product selection, and provide customized solutions where necessary. Unique problem-solving approaches, flexibility, and consistent quality have made Sterlitech Corporation a renowned global provider of filtration products and equipment.

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