

# MetSorb® Adsorption Media



# Typical MetSorb® Properties

Media Chemical Designation	Crystalline Titanium Oxide (TiO <sub>2</sub> ) (Anatase)
Physical Form/Color	White Granular Solid
Moisture Content	< 7%
Particle Size	-16 mesh /+ 60 mesh
Surface Area	200–240 m <sup>2</sup> /gram
Bulk Density	0.65 grams per cc (40 lbs / ft <sup>3</sup> )
Pore Volume	0.34–0.44 cm <sup>3</sup> /gram
Avg. Pore Size	64 - 84 Angstroms

0.7 0.6 0.5 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.0 MetSorb® GFO GFH

Adsorption Capacity - 100 µg/L As (V) in NSF Challenge

MetSorb® HMRG is a highly effective granular adsorbent that removes arsenic III & V, and a wide variety of heavy metals including Lead, Cadmium, Copper, Chromium+6, Selenium, and Zinc from aqueous sources. MetSorb® adsorbent technology utilizes a patented Titanium compound to adsorb both forms of arsenic as well as a wide range of contaminants in water. The increased surface area afforded by Titanium coupled with advanced pore volume provides excellent kinetics of adsorption.

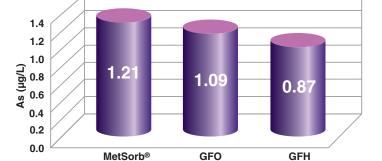
MetSorb® maintains a higher capacity and a lower level of ion interference than competitive iron and alumina based products.

The media is long-lasting and upon exhaustion, has consistently tested nonhazardous for disposal classification.

The media is NSF Standard 61 approved, and has received regulatory approval from agencies across the United States and Canada.

### MetSorb® Features and Benefits

- Removes As (III) and As (V) to <1.5 μg/L (non-detect)</li>
- High adsorbent capacity for arsenic and lead (>10 mg As per gram of METSORB®)
- Extremely Fast Kinetics: Empty Bed Contact Times (EBCT) between 1.5 - 3 minutes
- Reduced equipment footprint
- Simple installation and start-up
- Reduced (in some cases eliminated) frequency of backwash
- Nonhazardous disposal as solid waste-passes EPA TCLP (Toxicity Characteristic Leach Procedure)
- No regeneration Chemicals Required
- Removing Arsenic in millions of gallons of drinking water daily



Adsorption Capacity - 100 µg/L As (V) +13.5 mg/L SiO<sub>2</sub>

Results of AWWA Research Foundation Study "Adsorbent Treatment Technologies for Arsenic Removal", 2005

### MetSorb® Application

MetSorb® adsorbent media is applicable in a wide range of water treatment processes, from large-scale municipal systems to small-scale residential treatment units. Regardless of the system size, there are operational design parameters that must be considered to ensure effective, trouble-free performance of the MetSorb® adsorbent media.

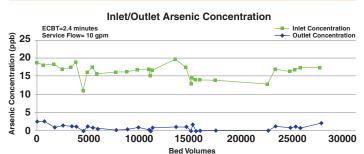
Groundwater or surface water is simply pumped in a downflow mode through a single or multiple fixed bed pressure vessel containing the MetSorb® media. The multiple pressure vessel design is either assembled in Parallel Flow or Series Flow when additional adsorption protection is deemed necessary. Flow to each vessel is measured and totalized to record the volume of water treated. Pressure differential through each vessel is also monitored. Periodic backwashing is typically performed at start-up and every 8-10 weeks thereafter depending on usage and water quality.



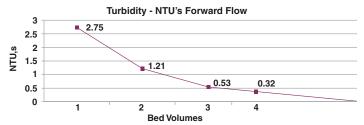
Dual vessels containing MetSorb® plumbed in series for added consumer protection

### **Operational Design Parameters**

Service Flow Rate	5-10 gpm/ft <sup>2</sup>
Flow Direction	Downward Flow
EBCT	1.5-3 Minutes
Typical Pressure Drop	< 5 psid
Backwash Flow Rate	3-5 gpm/ft <sup>2</sup>
Backwash Volume	5-7 Bed Volumes
Typical Freeboard	35 - 40%
Minimum Bed Depth	2 Feet
Maximum Feed Temperatue	120°F



Example of arsenic removal from drinking water supply well



Stability of MetSorb® allows fast cleanup after backwash, placing in service flow promptly

## MetSorb® Disposal

MetSorb® is operational in numerous locations across the US and Canada providing much experience in managing the exhausted media. Arsenic (or "heavy metal") laden MetSorb® HMRG 16/60 has been evaluated using both the EPA TCLP (CFR 40-RCRA Regs.) and California WET methods and has been found to be nonhazardous and safe for landfill disposal. Since each application differs, however, we recommend exhausted MetSorb® HMRG 16/60 be evaluated following all federal, state, and local regulations regarding necessary approvals for landfill disposal.

### **NOTES:**

- Graver recommends treatment system monitoring to determine media breakthrough and changeout.
- Pre-filtration for particulates can greatly reduce frequency of backwash.
- High levels of iron and manganese can influence efficiency of MetSorb® adsorption.
- EBCT of 3 minutes is recommended for challenging water qualities.
- Backwash water discharged to sewer or POTW. Direct discharge according to state and local regulations.

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