

FT74DI DIRECT STEAM INJECTION UHT SYSTEM



features

- Compact, mobile, easy to install
- Throughputs of product up to 20lph for product and 60lph for CIP
- Temperatures up to 150°C
- Pressures up to 9 bar
- Fine control over vacuum pressure allows control of retained water content
- Membrane control console
- Fully enclosed hoseable cabinet
- Fully instrumented
- Progressive cavity feed pump
- Sanitary product extraction pump
- Sanitary design 316 stainless steel and food compatible materials throughout with the ability to CIP
- Computer data logging facility
- Sanitary tri-clamp fittings on all product lines
- Indirect heating capability to UHT temperatures

benefits

- Small installation space required
- Low product volumes required for processing
- Fully flexible system allowing testing on many different products
- Suitable for use in wet areas





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© 2010 Armfield Ltd. All Rights Reserved We reserve the right to amend these specifications without prior notice. E&OE Armfield has developed a miniature scale direct steam injection UHT unit capable of treating small batches of product with full operator control of all process variables such as temperature, back pressure and condensed vapour uptake.

The unit is mounted on a stainless steel cabinet for ease of cleaning. All process variables are displayed on the membrane control panel mounted on the cabinet. The unit is self contained, complete with product feed pump, pressurised hot water circulator, tubular heat exchanger for heating and cooling, flash off vessel, steam injection point, vapour condenser, vacuum set and product extraction pump. Requires connection to a suitable steam supply and to mains water.

Description

The Armfield FT74DI has been designed for the UHT treatment of small quantities of material by direct steam injection. The unit is capable of handling batch volumes as small as 2 litres. Liquid feed is pumped from the feed tank by a progressive cavity pump to be preheated in tubular heat exchangers using pressurised hot water as the heating medium.

Steam is injected directly into the process via our unique miniature venturi mixer injector. Steam input is controlled automatically by one of the world's smallest control valves which has been specially developed by Armfield. The control valve's actuation is directly positioned by a three term PID controller, to give smoother direct acting response hence smooth control of process temperature. A temperature of 150°C at 20lph flow is possible in the unit dependant on product. A selection of holding tubes is available from 2 seconds upwards so that the process fluid can be held at the treatment temperature for the correct length of time. A bypass tube is available for indirect heating. System back pressure is fully controlled by the use of a hygienic valve. Water added to the process fluid by steam injection is quickly removed in a partially evacuated flash tank. This flash evaporation rapidly cools the product and by controlling the applied vacuum, as little or as much of the condensed steam as required may be removed. Treated product is pumped away using a hygienic pump and additional tubular heat exchangers cool it down further.

Data logging of the process variables is available. CIP of the unit can be achieved by circulating cleaning fluid through the unit and a specially designed tank cleaning nozzle which is supplied with the unit.

APPLICATIONS

- Baby foods
- Condiments
- Confectionery
- Cream
- Culture Media
- Fruit and Vegetable Purees
- Fruit Juices and Cordials
- Gelatine Products
- Gravies
- Ice cream
- Health and nutritional products
- Milk
- Pharmaceuticals
- Sauces and soups
- Yogurts

Specifications

Product throughput: 20lph (0 - 5USqph)

Max working pressure: 9bai

Vacuum: down to 400mbar

Pressurised hot water

circulator temperature: up to 150°C

Requirements

Electrical Supply: Single Phase (see Ordering Codes)
Culinary grade steam: (5kg/hr @ 5 - 10bar)

Cooling water: (4801/h)

Ordering Codes

FT74DI-A: 220-240V/1ph/50Hz, (35A) FT74DI-G: 220V/1ph/60Hz, (38A)

Optional Accessories

UOP10: Steam generator **FT74DI-90IFD-USB:** data logging accessory
Requires user supplied PC with USB interface running Windows XP or later. **FT74DI-50:** steam conditioner

Shipping specification

Volume: 1.50m³ Gross weight: 160kg

Overall dimensions

Height: 1.50m Width: 0.85m Depth: 0.83m

The Armfield range includes HTST/UHT/aseptic systems, carbonator/filler/cappers, spray dryers/chillers, multifunction batch processors, ice cream freezers, margarine crystallisers, extractors, edible oils processors and more. For further information about our products and services, or to book a trial at one of our trials facilities, please contact us.