

# Technology for Vacuum Systems

# Instructions for use

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«Avis de sécurité pour des dispositifs à vide»

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"Указания за безопасност за вакуумни уреди"

#### CN

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»Sikkerhedsregler for vakuumudstyr«

### ΕE

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### ES

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#### FI

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#### HR

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"Sigurnosne napomene za vakuumske uređaje"

#### HU

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#### IT

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### JΡ

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∞ 真空装置を安全に取り扱うために

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☑ 진공 장비에 대한 안전 정보

#### LT

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#### LV

Uzmanību: Lietotāja instrukcija nav pieejama visās ES valodās. Lietotājs nedrīkst lietot iekārtu, ja viņš nesaprot lietotāja instrukcijā rakstīto. Šādā gadījumā, ir nepieciešams nodrošināt tehniski pareizu visas lietotāja instrukcijas tulkojumu. Pirms sākt lietot iekārtu, un, lai izpildītu visas nepieciešamās prasības, iekārtas lietotāja instrukcija ir pilnībā jāizlasa un jāsaprot. [60] "Vakuuma iekārtu drošības noteikumi"

#### NL

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### PL

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"Wskazówki bezpieczeństwa do urządzeń próżniowych"

#### PT

Atenção: Este manual não está disponível em todas as línguas da UE. O usuário não deve utilizar o dispositivo, se não entender este manual. Neste caso, uma tradução tecnicamente correta do manual completo tem de estar disponível. O manual deve ser lido e entendido completamente antes da utilização do equipamento e todas as medidas necessárias devem ser aplicadas. "Informação de Segurança para Equipamento que funciona a Vácuo"

#### RO

Atentie: Acest manual nu este disponibil in toate limbile EU. Utilizatorul nu trebuie sa lucreze cu aparatul daca daca nu intelege manualul. Astfel, va fi disponibile o traducere corecta si completa a manualului. Manualul trebuie citit si inteles in intregime inainte de a lucra cu aparatul si a luat toate masurile care se impun.

"Instrucțiuni de siguranță pentru aparatele de vidare"

#### RU

Внимание: Эта инструкция по эксплуатации не имеется на всех языках. Потребителю не дозволенно эксплуатировать данный прибор, если он не понимает эту инструкцию. В этом случае нужен технически правильный перевод полной инструкции. Прежде чем использовать этот прибор,

необходимо полностью прочитать и понять эту инструкцию и принять все необходимые меры. Указания по технике безопасности при работе с вакуумными устройствами"

#### SE

Varning: Denna instruktion är inte tillgänglig på alla språk inom EU. Användaren får inte starta utrustningen om hon/han inte förstår denna instruktion. Om så är fallet måste en tekniskt korrekt instruktion göras tillgänglig. Instruktionen måste läsas och förstås helt före utrustningen tas i drift och nödvändiga åtgärder göres.

"Säkerhetsinformation för vakuumutrustning"

#### SI

Pozor: Ta navodila niso na voljo v vseh jezikih EU. Uporabnik ne sme upravljati z napravo, če ne razume teh navodil. V primeru nerazumljivosti mora biti na voljo tehnično pravilen prevod. Navodila se morajo prebrati in razumeti pred uporaba naprave, opravljene pa moraja biti tudi vse potrebne meritve.

"Varnostni nasveti za vakuumske naprave"

### SK

Upozornenie: Tento manuál nie je k dispozícii vo všetkých jazykoch EÚ. Užívateľ nesmie obsluhovať zariadenie, pokiaľ nerozumie tomuto manuálu. V takomto prípade musí byť k dispozícii technicky správny preklad celého manuálu. Pred obsluhou zariadenia je potrebné si prečítať celý manuál a porozumieť mu, a musia byť prijaté všetky opatrenia. \*\*Bezpečnostné pokyny pre vákuové zariadenia\*\*

#### TR

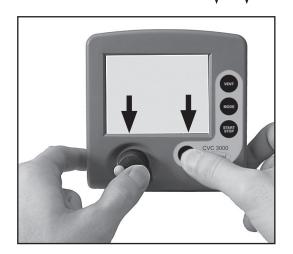
Dikkat: Bu kullanım kitabı, tüm dillerde mevcut değildir. Kullanıcı, bu kullanım kitabının anlayamadıysa cihazı çalıştırmamalıdır. Bu durumda, komple kullanım kitabının, teknik olarak düzgün çevirisinin bulunması gerekir. Cihazın çalıştırılmasından önce kullanım kitabının komple okunması ve anlaşılması ve tüm gerekli ölçümlerin uygulanması gerekir. "Vakumlu cihazlar için güvenlik uyarıları"

# Reset / Language selection

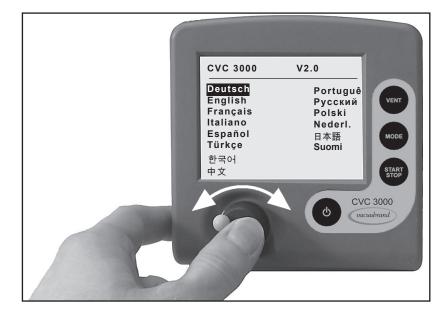
## 1 switch off



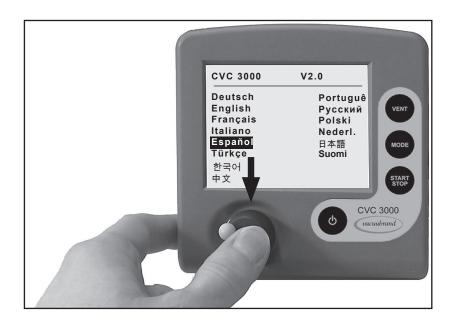
# 2 press both **↓ ↓**



# 3 turn



4 press **↓** 



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# Safety information!

## Important information!

# **AWARNING**

- Keep this manual complete and accessible to personnel at all times!
- Read this manual carefully before installing or operating the equipment. Observe the instructions contained in this manual.
- Do not modify the equipment without authorization.

## NOTICE

This manual is an integral part of the equipment described therein. It describes the safe and proper use of the vacuum pump. The manual consists of two parts. Make operating personnel aware of dangers arising from the pump and the pumped substances.

VACUUBRAND disclaims any liability for inappropriate use of these pumps and for damage from failure to follow instructions contained in this manual.

This manual is only to be used and distributed in its complete and original form. It is strictly the users' responsibility to check carefully the validity of this manual with respect to his product.

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The following signal word panels and safety symbols are used throughout this manual:



This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury and death.



■ DANGER indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



warning indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, <u>could</u> result in death or serious injury.



 CAUTION indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.



NOTICE is used to address practices not related to personal injury.



Caution! Hot surface!



Disconnect equipment from AC power.



Dispose off electronic equipment according to regulations.

## Formatting used in this manual:

**Note**: The signal word panels in all sections of this manual always refer to all paragraphs of the same format (► / ► / Plain text) following each signal word panel.

## General information

## **NOTICE**

Remove all packing material from the packing box. Remove the product from its packing-box and retain all packaging until the equipment is inspected and tested. Remove the protective caps from the inlet and outlet ports and retain for future use. Inspect the equipment promptly and carefully.

If the equipment is damaged, notify the supplier and the carrier in writing within three days. Retain all packing material for inspection. State the item number of the product together with the order number and the supplier's invoice number. Failure to check and give notice of damage will void any and all warranty claims for those deficiencies.

Replace the protective caps, if the equipment is not used immediately. Store the equipment in dry and non-corrosive conditions (see also "Technical data", pg. 26).



Do not use any damaged equipment.



Use the handles when moving the pump.

## Intended use



- Do not use the pump or any system parts on humans or animals.
- Ensure that the individual components are only connected, combined and operated according to their design and as indicated in the instructions for use. Use only **original manufacturer's spare parts and accessories**. Otherwise the safety and performance of the equipment, as well as the electromagnetic compatibility of the equipment might be reduced.
  - The CE mark may be voided if not using original manufacturer's spare parts.
- Comply with all notes on correct vacuum and electrical connections; see section "Use and operation", pg. 32.

- Do not use the pump to generate pressure.
- The pumps are designed for **ambient temperatures** during operation between +50°F and +104°F (+10°C and +40°C). Periodically check maximum temperatures if installing the pump in a cabinet or a housing. Make sure ventilation is adequate to maintain recommended operating temperature. Install an external automatic ventilation system if necessary. If pumping hot process gases, make sure that the maximum permitted gas inlet temperature is not exceeded. The maximum permitted gas inlet temperature depends on several parameters like inlet pressure and ambient temperature (see "Technical data", pg. 26).
- Particles and dust must not enter the pump.
- Do not pump liquids.



Ensure that the pump is chemically resistant to the pumped substances prior to operation.

## **NOTICE**

Use the equipment **only as intended**, that is, for generation, measurement, and control of vacuum in vessels designed for that purpose. Any other use will automatically invalidate all warranty and liability claims. Remain aware of safety and risks.

## Setting up and installing the equipment



➡ Equipment must be connected only to a suitable electrical supply and a suitable ground point. As such, the plug must be plugged into an outlet that is properly grounded. Failure to connect the motor to ground may result in deadly electrical shock.

The supply cable may be fitted with a molded European IEC plug or a plug suitable for your local electrical supply. The cable contains wires color coded as follows: green or green and yellow: ground; blue or white: neutral; brown or black: hot.



- Due to the high compression ratio, the pump may generate overpressure at the outlet. Check pressure compatibility with system components (e.g., exhaust pipeline or exhaust valve) at the outlet.
- Do not permit any **uncontrolled pressurizing**. Make sure that the exhaust pipeline cannot become blocked. If there is an exhaust isolation valve, make sure that you cannot operate the equipment with the valve closed to avoid a **risk of bursting!**
- Maximum permissible pressure at the pressure transducer: 21.8 psi (1.5 bar) absolute.

## Operation with silencer at the outlet:

Use the silencer only in case of low gas throughput. Operating the pump at a high inlet pressure or pumping dusty gases for a long time may cause clogging of the silencer. Due to clogging of the silencer an internal overpressure may build up, which may damage bearings, diaphragms and valves.

Check the silencer regularly for permeability and replace if necessary, or install a hose nozzle instead (see "Accessories / Spare parts", pg. 84). Preferably use the hose nozzle as outlet and make sure that the exhaust pipeline cannot become blocked.

Keep the electrical power cord away from heated surfaces.

# **ACAUTION**

- Provide a firm, level platform for the equipment. Check that the system which you are going to evacuate is mechanically stable. Check that all fittings are secure. Ensure a stable position of the pump without any mechanical contact other than the pump feet.
- Comply with maximum permissible pressures at inlet and outlet and with maximum permissible pressure differences between inlet and outlet. See section "Technical data", pg. 26. Do not operate the pump with overpressure at the inlet.

- Comply with maximum permissible pressures at the pressure transducer. See section "Technical data", pg. 26.
- Avoid overpressure of more than 17.5 psi absolute (1.2 bar absolute) in the event that inert gas is connected to the pump, or to a venting valve.
- Note: Flexible elements will shrink when evacuated.
- Connect hoses gas tight at inlet and outlet of the pump.
- Connect hoses gas tight at the pressure transducer.
- Ensure that no foreign objects can be drawn into the pump.
- Check the power source and the pump's rating plate to be sure that the power source and the equipment match in voltage, phase, and frequency.

## NOTICE

Make sure ventilation is adequate to maintain recommended operating temperature. Keep a minimum distance of 2 in (5 cm) between the cooling fan and surrounding items (e.g., housing, walls, etc.), or else install an external automatic ventilation system. Do not place the pump on soft surfaces (e.g., rubber foam) during operation. This may reduce the air circulation in the pump housing and affect the fans' cooling effect. Check fans regularly for dust/dirt. Clean fan guard grills if necessary to avoid a reduction of ventilation.

Position the pressure transducer and its vacuum line in such a way that condensate cannot flow towards the pressure transducer.

Use only hoses at the inlet and outlet of the pump with an inner diameter at least as large as the diameter of the pump's tubing (to avoid overpressure at the outlet, and reduction of pumping speed at the inlet). Allow the equipment to equilibrate to ambient temperature if you bring it from cold environment into a room prior to operation. Notice if there is water condensation on cold surfaces.

Comply with all applicable and relevant safety requirements (regulations and guidelines). Implement the required actions and adopt suitable safety measures.

## Ambient conditions



→ Do not reach for this product if it has fallen into liquid. There is a risk of deadly electrical shock. Unplug the system immediately.



Do not use this product in an area where it can fall or be pulled into water or other liquids.



- Adopt suitable measures in case of differences from recommended conditions, e.g., using the equipment outdoors, installation in higher altitudes, conductive pollution or external condensation on the pump.
- Do not operate this product near flames.

## NOTICE

To the best of our knowledge the equipment is in compliance with the requirements of the applicable EC-directives and harmonized standards (see "Declaration of Conformity") with regard to design, type and model. Directive EN 61010-1 gives in detail the conditions under which the equipment can be operated safely (see also IP degree of protection, "Technical data", pg. 26).

## Operating conditions



➡ These pumps are not approved for operation in potentially explosive atmospheres. Do not operate the pumps in potentially explosive atmospheres.

- Pumps without the "⟨⟨x⟩" mark on the rating plate are not approved for the pumping of potentially explosive atmospheres. Do not pump potentially explosive atmospheres with those pumps
- Pumps bearing the "€x" mark on their rating plates are approved for the pumping of potentially explosive atmospheres according to their classification II 3G IIC T3 X according to ATEX, but they are not approved for operation in potentially explosive atmospheres (see section "€x Important information: Equipment marking (ATEX)", pg. 24).
- ➡ The pumps are **not suitable** to pump any of the substances listed below.

## Do not pump:

- unstable substances
- substances which react explosively under **impact** (mechanical stress) without air
- substances which react explosively when being exposed to **elevated temperatures** without air,
- substances subject to auto-ignition,
- substances which are inflammable without air
- explosive substances.
- → The pumps are not approved for operation below ground. Do not operate the pump below ground.

# **ACAUTION**

- Do not pump substances which may form deposits inside the pump. The pumps are not suitable for pumping substances which may form deposits inside the pump. Deposits and condensate in the pump may lead to increased temperatures even to the point of exceeding the maximum permitted temperatures.
- Check the inlet and outlet of the pump, if there is a danger of forming deposits inside the pump, e.g., in the pump chambers (the pump chamber is the part between diaphragm and head cover. See section "Replacing diaphragms and valves", pg. 91). Inspect the pump chambers regularly and clean if necessary.

 Consider interactions and chemical reactions of the pumped media. Ensure that the materials of the pump's wetted parts are compatible with the pumped substances, see section "Technical data", pg. 26.
 When changing the substances pumped, we recommend purging the pump with air or inert gas prior to changing the pumped media. Purging the pump will pump out residues and it will reduce the possibility of reactions of the pumped substances with each other and with the pump's materials.

## Safety during operation



- → Adopt suitable measures to prevent the release of dangerous, toxic, explosive, corrosive, noxious or polluting fluids, vapors and gases. To prevent any emission of such substances from the pump outlet, install an appropriate collecting and disposal system and take protective action for pump and environment.
- ➤ You must take suitable precautions to prevent any formation of explosive mixtures in the pump chamber or at the outlet of the pump. In case, e.g., of a diaphragm failure, mechanically generated sparks, hot surfaces or static electricity may ignite these mixtures. Use inert gas for venting, if necessary.
- → Drain appropriately or otherwise remove any potentially explosive mixtures at the outlet of the pump, or dilute them to non-explosive concentrations.
- Never operate this pump if it has a damaged cord or plug.



- If the pump is not working properly, has been dropped or has fallen into water, contact your pump service provider.
- Prevent any part of the human body from coming into contact with vacuum.

- Always provide a free and pressureless exhaust outlet to avoid damage to pump valves and risk of bursting.
- Attention: Due to clogging of the silencer an internal overpressure may build up, which may damage bearings, diaphragms and valves. Preferably use the hose nozzle as outlet and make sure that the exhaust pipeline cannot become blocked.
- Attention: At pressures above approximately 795 Torr (1060 mbar) the pressure reading becomes incorrect due to saturation of the pressure transducer. The display flashes. Release pressure immediately! Risk of bursting!
- Comply with applicable regulations when disposing of chemicals. Take into consideration that chemicals may be contaminated. Take adequate precautions to protect people from the effects of dangerous substances (chemicals, thermal decomposition products of fluoroelastomers). Use appropriate protective clothing and safety goggles.
- Interruption of the pump (e.g., due to power failure), failure of connected components or of parts of the supply, or change in parameters must not be allowed to lead to dangerous conditions. In case of a diaphragm failure or in case of a leak in the manifold, pumped substances might be released into the environment or into the pump housing or motor.
  - Comply with all notes regarding proper use of the pumps, as well as operation and maintenance guidance.
- The residual **leak rate of the equipment** might render possible an exchange of gas, albeit extremely slight, between the environment and the vacuum system. Adopt suitable measures to prevent contamination of the pumped substances or the environment.



- Ensure that no parts of your clothing, hair or fingers can be caught or drawn in at the inlet of the pump. Never insert fingers or drop any other object into the inlet or outlet.
- You must take suitable precautions to prevent any dangerous situation from arising if the controller starts a NT VARIO pump, switches a coolant valve or opens a venting valve.
- Attention: If the controller is set to Autostart, the process will start immediately after a power failure without pressing any further key. It is your responsibility to ensure that automatic start-up of the system will not lead to any dangerous condition. Provide appropriate safety measures. Check prior to starting the process whether the option "Autostart" (menu: configuration) is enabled.



 Pay attention to the safety symbol "hot surfaces" on the equipment. Hot parts may cause burns if touched. Adopt suitable measures to prevent any danger arising from hot surfaces or electric sparks. Ensure that hot surfaces of the pump do not cause burns. Provide a suitable contact guard if necessary.

## **NOTICE**

Prevent the backpressure of gases and the backflow of condensates at the outlet.

Provide appropriate protective measures to allow for the possibility of failure and **malfunction**. The protective measures must also allow for the requirements of the respective application.

In case of overload, the motor is shut down by a **self-hold thermal cutout** in the winding.

**Note**: Only manual reset is possible. Press the START/STOP key at the controller to confirm the error message. Switch off the pump and disconnect from the power source. Identify and eliminate the cause of failure. Allow the pump to cool down sufficiently before restart.

## Maintenance and repair

## NOTICE

In order to comply with laws (occupational, health and safety regulations, safety at work law and regulations for environmental protection) vacuum pumps, components and measuring instruments can only be returned when certain procedures (see section "Notes on return to the factory", pg. 120) are followed.

Take advantage of our service seminars, which put special focus on the maintenance and repair of vacuum pumps. For details and for the online "Instructions for repair" manual see www.vacuubrand.com.

In normal use, the lifetime of the diaphragms and valves is typically 15,000 operating hours. Bearings have a typical durability of 40000 h.

# **A** DANGER

➡ Ensure that the pump cannot be operated accidentally. Never operate the pump if covers or other parts of the pump are disassembled.



- **⇒** Switch off the pump. Disconnect the electrical power cord and wait two minutes before starting maintenance to allow the capacitors to discharge.
- Note: The pump may be contaminated with process chemicals, which have been pumped during operation. Ensure that the pump is completely decontaminated before maintenance commences.

# **AWARNING**

- Take adequate precautions to protect people from the effects of dangerous substances if contamination has occurred. Use appropriate protective clothing, safety goggles and protective gloves.
- **™** Wear parts have to be replaced regularly.
- Never operate a defective or damaged pump.

Vent the pump before starting maintenance. Isolate the pump and other components from the vacuum system. Allow sufficient cooling of the pump. Drain condensate, if applicable.

### NOTICE

Ensure that **maintenance** is done only by suitably trained and supervised technicians. Ensure that the maintenance technician is familiar with the safety procedures which relate to the products processed by the pumping system. Only dismantle the pump as far as necessary.

# (Ex) Important information: Equipment marking (ATEX)

## **VACUUBRAND** equipment bearing mark (see rating plate)

# II 3G IIC T3 X Internal Atm. only Tech. File Ref.: VAC-EX01

The classification II 3G IIC T3 X according to ATEX is only valid for the inner part (wetted part, pumped gas or vapor) of the equipment. The equipment is not suitable for use in external, potentially explosive atmospheres (environment).

The overall category of the equipment depends on the connected components. If the connected components do not comply with the classification of the VACUUBRAND equipment, the specified category of the VACUUBRAND equipment is no longer valid.

Vacuum pumps and vacuum gauges in category 3 are intended for connection to equipment in which during normal operation explosive atmospheres caused by gases, vapors or mists normally don't occur; or, if they do occur, are likely to do so only infrequently and for a short period only. Equipment in this category ensures the requisite level of protection during normal operation.

The use of gas ballast or the operation of venting valves is only permitted if thereby explosive atmospheres normally don't occur in the interior of the equipment or, if they do occur, are likely to do so only infrequently and for a short period.

The pumps are marked with "X" (according to EN 13463-1), i.e., restrictions of the operation conditions:

- The equipment is designated for a low degree of mechanical stress and has to be installed in a way so that it cannot be damaged from outside.
  - Pumping units have to be installed so that they are protected against shocks from the outside and against glass splinters in the event of breakage (implosion).

 The equipment is designated for an ambient and gas inlet temperature during operation of +10 to +40°C. Never exceed these ambient and gas inlet temperatures. If pumping / measuring gases which are not potentially explosive, extended gas inlet temperatures are permissible. See instructions for use, section "Gas inlet temperatures" or "Technical data".

After any intervention at the equipment (e.g., repair / maintenance) the ultimate vacuum of the pump has to be checked. Only if the pump achieves its specified ultimate vacuum is the pump's leak rate low enough to ensure that no explosive atmospheres will occur in the interior of the equipment.

After any intervention at the vacuum sensor, the leak rate of the equipment has to be checked.



Attention: This manual is not available in all languages of the EU. The user must not operate the device if he does not understand this manual. In this case a technically correct translation of the complete manual has to be available. The manual must be completely read and understood before operation of the device. All specified measures must be applied, or else must be replaced by equivalent measures at the user's own risk.

# Technical data

General technical data valid for all pumps		
Maximum permissible inlet pressure (absolute)	psi (bar)	16 (1.1)
Maximum permissible outlet pressure (absolute)	psi (bar)	16 (1.1)
Maximum pressure difference between inlet and outlet	psi (bar)	16 (1.1)
Permissible ambient temperature storage / operation	°F (°C)	14 to 140 / 50 to 104 (-10 to +60 / +10 to +40)
Permissible relative atmospheric moisture during operation (no condensation)	%	30 to 85
Maximum permissible installation altitude above mean sea level	ft (m)	6500 (2000)
Rated motor power	hp (kW)	0.71 (0.530)
No-load speed	rpm	30 - 2400
Maximum permissible range of supply voltage (±10%) Attention: Observe specifications of ratir	ng plate!	100-120 V~ 50/60 Hz, 200-230 V~ 50/60 Hz
Maximum rated current at: 100-120 V~ 50/60 Hz 200-230 V~ 50/60 Hz	A	8.0 3.5
Device fuse		2 slow blow fuses 8A
Motor protection		thermal cutout, manual reset
Degree of protection IEC 529		IP 40
A-weighted emission sound pressure level* (uncertainty $K_{pA}$ : 3 dB(A))	dB(A)	50
Inlet		small flange KF DN 25
Outlet		silencer / thread G 1/2"
Dimensions L x W x H approx.	in (mm)	21.8 x 10.2 x 16.5 (554 x 260 x 420)
Weight approx.	lbs. (kg)	68.8 (31.2)

<sup>\*</sup> Measurement according to EN ISO 2151:2004 and EN ISO 3744:1995 at 1500rpm and ultimate vacuum with standard silencer at outlet.

Туре		ME 16 NT VARIO	MD 12 NT VARIO	MV 10 NT VARIO
Maximum pumping speed (ISO 21360)	cfm	11.2	7.9	7.1
	(m³/h)	(19)	(13.4)	(12.1)
Ultimate vacuum (absolute) **	Torr	53	1.1	0.2
	(mbar)	(70)	(1.5)	(0.3)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Ultimate vacuum at setting "Pump down" at speed "HI"

# Gas inlet temperatures

Operating condition	Inlet pressure	Permitted range of gas temperatures at inlet
Continuous operation	> 75 Torr (100 mbar) (high gas load)	→ 50 °F to 104 °F (+10°C to +40°C)
Continuous operation	< 75 Torr (100 mbar) (low gas load)	→ 32 °F to 140 °F* (0°C to +60°C*)
Short-time (< 5 minutes)	< 75 Torr (100 mbar) (low gas load)	→ 14 °F to 176 °F* (-10°C to +80°C*)

<sup>\*</sup> if pumping potentially explosive atmospheres: 50 °F to 104 °F (+10°C to +40°C)

Controller	CVC 3000
Pressure transducer	external gauge head VSK 3000, ceramic diaphragm (alumina), capacitive, absolute pressure, gas type independent
Display	LCD graphic display, illuminated
Pressure units / scale (selectable)	Torr, mbar or hPa
Measuring range (absolute)	795 - 0.1 Torr (1060 - 0.1 mbar)
Maximum control range (absolute)*	795 - 0.1 Torr (1060 - 0.1 mbar)
Resolution (display)	0.1 Torr (mbar)
Maximum permissible pressure at pressure transducer (absolute)	1125 Torr (1.5 bar)

<sup>\*</sup> The actual vacuum control range in your application might be reduced due to ultimate vacuum of the pump, volume of gas present, etc.

Controller	CVC 3000
Measurement uncertainty (absolute) after careful adjustment and at constant temperature	<± 0.75 Torr (1 mbar)
Temperature coefficient	<± 0.05 Torr/K (0.07 mbar/K)
Maximum permissible temperature of gaseous media**	continuous operation: 104°F (40°C), for short periods (less than 5 minutes) up to 176°F (80°C)
Ambient temperature range (operation)	50°F to 104°F (10°C to +40°C)
Ambient temperature range (storage)	14°F to 158°F (-10°C to +70°C)
Permissible relative atmospheric moisture during operation (no condensation)	30% to 85%
Maximum permitted current of connected valves (connected components)	4A
Degree of protection IEC 529 (front side)	IP 42
Degree of protection IEC 529 (gauge head VSK 3000)	IP 54
Measurement connection of pressure transducer	small flange DN 16 or hose nozzle for tubing I.D. 1/4" / 3/8" (6 / 10 mm)
Cable length of pressure transducer	approx. 5'6" (2m)
Supply voltage VSK 3000 (via VACUU • BUS)	6-30 V= / 5 mA
Communication VSK 3000	VACUU • BUS
Interface	RS-232 C
Dimensions CVC 3000 LxWxH (with foot)	5.4" x 4.9" x 4.5" (138 mm x 124 mm x 115 mm)
Dimensions VSK 3000 housing diameter length with measurement connection	2.4" (60 mm) 2.4" (60 mm) with small flange
Weight CVC 3000 VSK 3000 (with small flange)	0.97 lb (440 g) 0.41 lb (185 g)

<sup>\*\*</sup> if pumping potentially explosive atmospheres: 50  $^{\circ}\text{F}$  to 104  $^{\circ}\text{F}$  (+10 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  to +40 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

# Wetted parts

Components	Wetted materials
Pump	
Housing cover	Aluminum alloy
Head cover	Aluminum alloy (AlSi12)
Diaphragm clamping disc	Aluminum alloy (AlSi12)
Diaphragm	FPM
Valves	FPM
O-rings	FPM
Small flange	Stainless steel
Tubing	PTFE
Fittings	ETFE / ECTFE
Inlet / distributor	Aluminum alloy
Outlet	PP
Silencer	Aluminum, anodized / PTFE / PTFE carbon reinforced / spring steel
VSK 3000	
Sensor	Aluminum oxide ceramic
Seal at sensor	Chemically resistant fluoroelastomer
Sensor housing	PPS glass fiber reinforced
Small flange	Stainless steel
Hose nozzle	PP

We reserve the right for technical modification without prior notice!

# Abbreviations

**ECTFE**: Ethylene/Chlorotrifluoroethylene **ETFE**: Ethylene/Tetrafluoroethylene

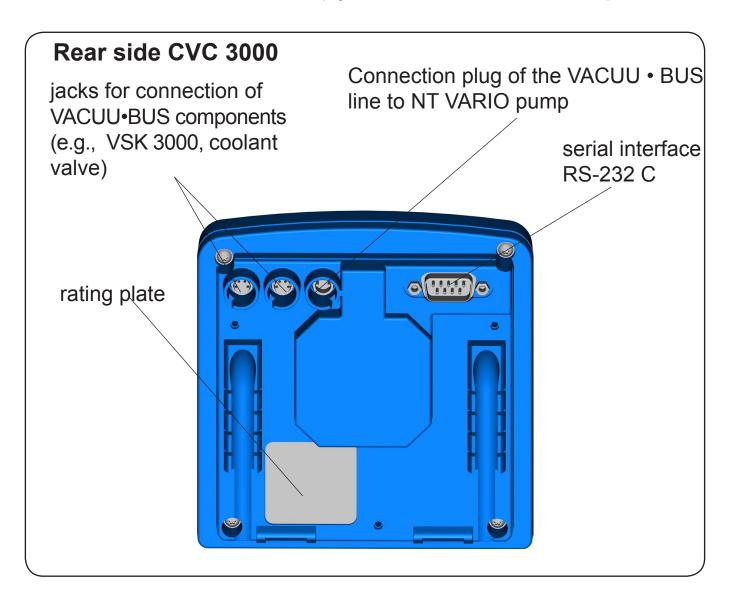
**FPM**: Fluoroelastomer **PP**: Polypropylene

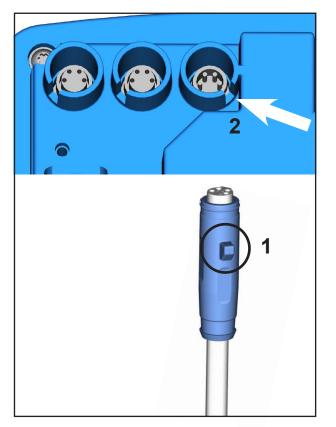
**PPS**: Polyphenylene sulfide **PTFE**: Polytetrafluoroethylene

# Pump parts

Position	Component
1	Inlet
2	Outlet (silencer or thread 1/2")
3	ON/OFF switch
4	Mains connection
5	Fuse holder
6	Pump rating plate
7	Fan
8	Handle
9	CVC 3000 controller
10	Pressure transducer VSK 3000
11	VACUU•BUS cable to CVC 3000 controller







Depending on technical version the connections of the VACUU-BUS cables are equipped with a nib.

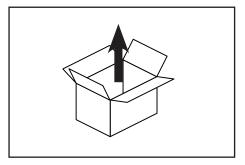
When connecting the VACUU-BUS connections to the rear side of the controller position the nib (1) of the VACUU-BUS connection in the notch (2) of the controller connections.

# **Use and operation**

When switching on the controller CVC 3000 for the very first time, a menu to select the language of the controller menu is displayed. Select the desired language (e.g., "English") by turning the selection knob and press to confirm. Then select the pressure unit ("mbar", "Torr" or "hPa") in the same way.

It is possible to access the language selection menu at any time by switching on the controller while keeping the selection knob pressed.

## Installation



Remove the product from its packing-box.



Read the document "Safety information for vacuum equipment" and observe the instructions contained therein!



Put the pump in place.

Keep a minimum distance of 2 in (5 cm) between the cooling fan and surrounding items (e.g., housing, walls, etc.), or else install an external automatic ventilation system.

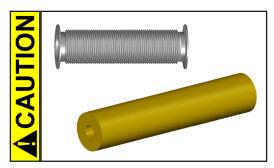


Make sure ventilation is adequate, especially if the pump is installed in an enclosure, or if the ambient temperature is elevated. Provide external ventilation, if necessary.

# Vacuum connection (inlet)

Inlet: Small flange connection KF DN 25 with clamping ring and centring ring.

Connect the vacuum line (e.g., metal hose (stainless steel) KF DN 25) at the inlet of the pump.



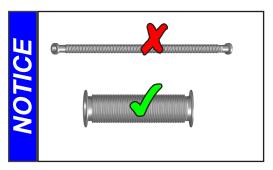
Reduce the transmission of vibration. Prevent mechanical load due to rigid pipelines.
 Insert elastic hoses or flexible elements as couplings between the pump and rigid pipes.

**Note**: Flexible elements will compress or flatten when evacuated if not designed for use under vacuum.

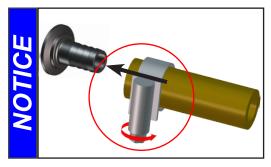
 Hose connections at the pump inlet must always be gas tight.



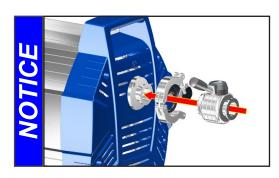
Use a suitable adapter to connect a vacuum hose (caoutchouc) 15 mm ID (see "Accessories / Spare parts", pg. 84), if necessary.



Use connecting hoses with large diameter and keep them as short as possible to avoid flow losses. Locate the pump as closely as possible to the application.



Secure hose connections at the pump appropriately, e.g., with hose clamps, to protect against accidental detachment.



Use a suitable valve (see "Accessories / Spare parts", pg. 84) to isolate the pump from the vacuum application. This is to allow the pump to warm up before pumping condensable vapors and to clean the pump after use before it is switched off.

## **AWARNING**

Particles and dust must not be aspirated. If necessary, you must install appropriate filters. You must ensure their suitability concerning gas flow, chemical resistance and resistance to clogging prior to use.

# **ACAUTION**

 A power failure may cause accidental ventilation of the pump. If this constitutes a potential source of danger, take appropriate safety measures.

## NOTICE

When assembling, ensure **vacuum-tightness**. After assembly, check the whole system for leaks.

## Connecting the outlet



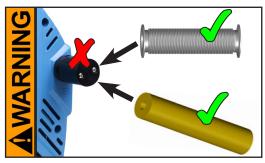
Outlet via silencer.

**Attention**: Use the silencer only in case of low gas throughput. Check the silencer regularly for permeability! Install a hose nozzle or a small flange connection instead (see "Accessories / Spare parts", pg. 84).

Connecting an exhaust line at the pump outlet: Unscrew the silencer and install a hose nozzle DN 15 mm or a small flange connector KF DN 16 (thread G1/2").



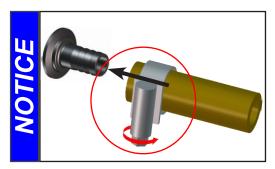
➡ If dangerous or polluting fluids could be released at the outlet, install an appropriate system to catch and dispose of those fluids.



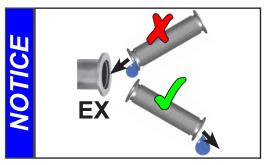
- Connect a gas-tight exhaust line at the pump outlet (see above) if necessary. Always vent exhaust gases appropriately (e.g., into a fume hood).
- Never block the gas outlet. The exhaust line must always be free of obstructions (no back pressure) to ensure an unimpeded discharge of gas. The cross-section of the outlet tubing must be at least the size of the pump's exhaust connection.

# **ACAUTION**

Reduce the transmission of vibration. Prevent mechanical load due to rigid pipelines. Insert elastic hoses or flexible elements as couplings between the pump and rigid pipes.



Secure hose connections at the pump appropriately, e.g., with hose clamps, to protect against accidental detachment.

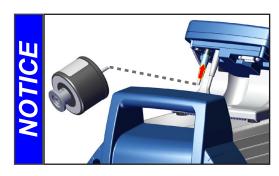


Always install outlet tubing descending from the pump or provide other measures to avoid backflow of condensate towards the pump.

# Connecting the pressure transducer VSK 3000

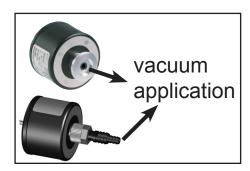


The VSK 3000 is equipped with a capacitive pressure transducer with ceramic diaphragm. It measures the actual pressure independently of the gas type, and with reference to the vacuum, i.e., absolute.



Connect the VSK 3000 pressure transducer via the VACUU•BUS cable to the CVC 3000 controller.

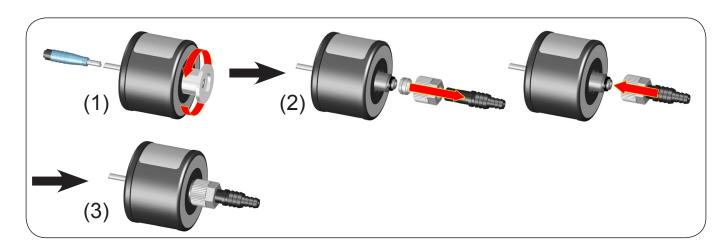
**Attention**: Do not apply off-axis forces when assembling or removing plug connections! Observe correct orientation of the plug. To connect further components use VACUU•BUS Y-adapters and extension cables.



Connect the pressure transducer via hose or small flange connection to the vacuum application. Do not mount the pressure transducer directly at the pump but close to the application. The cross-section of the tubing should be as large as possible.

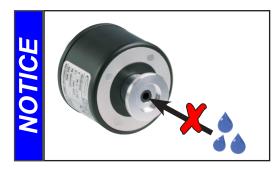
Inside a vacuum system where evaporation occurs, e.g., a rotary evaporator, the vacuum is not uniform. For example, a condenser can act as a pump, or the vacuum in the connecting tubing can be higher or lower than in the application itself. This affects the measurement results as well as the control levels. Therefore, carefully choose the position where to connect the pressure transducer.

## Installing the hose nozzle at the pressure transducer VSK 3000:





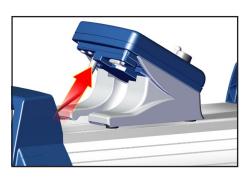
- Maximum permissible pressure at the pressure transducer: 21.8 psi (1.5 bar) absolute.
- Attention: At pressures above approximately 795 Torr (1060 mbar) the pressure reading becomes incorrect due to saturation of the pressure transducer. The display will flash. Release pressure immediately! Risk of bursting!



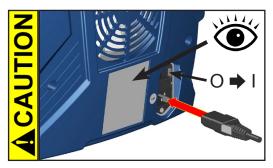
Condensate and deposits will affect the measurement results.

Position the pressure transducer and its vacuum line in such a way that condensate cannot flow towards the pressure transducer. Clean the pressure transducer, if necessary. See section "Cleaning the pressure transducer", pg. 70.

## Electrical connection



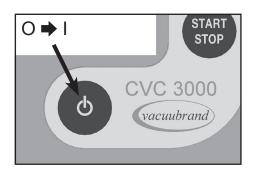
Connect the CVC 3000 controller to the VACUU•BUS cable of the NT VARIO pump.



Plug in the power cord.

 Check the power source and the pump's rating plate to be sure that the power source and the equipment match in voltage, phase, and frequency.

Switch the pump on.



Switch the CVC 3000 controller on.

#### **VACUU-BUS**

The CVC 3000 controller uses VACUU•BUS protocol to read out the pressure transducer via VACUU•BUS line. Maximum cable length inside buildings: 32yd (30m). VACUU•BUS extension cable 2.2 yd (2 meters): order-no. 612552.

The VACUUBRAND controller CVC 3000 can only be operated with components compatible with the VACUUBRAND VACUU•BUS system, (see "Accessories / Spare parts", pg. 84).

The vacuum controller CVC 3000 controls VACUUBRAND diaphragm pumps NT VARIO and optional coolant and venting valves. Connected components (e.g., venting valve, external pressure transducer 3000 series) are automatically identified and configurated. Identical components must be configurated beforehand; information upon request.

Do not use more than one controller within the same VACUU•BUS system.

Several controllers in the same VACUU•BUS system will interfere with each other and result in error messages of the connected components (pumps, valves).

# **During operation**



➤ Vent and dispose of potentially dangerous gases or vapors at the outlet of the pump appropriately.



Due to the high compression ratio, the pump might generate overpressure at the outlet. Check pressure compatibility with system components (e.g., exhaust tubing or exhaust valve) at the outlet. Ensure that the pump outlet is neither blocked nor restricted.



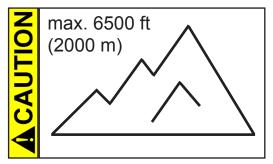
Maximum ambient temperature: 104 °F (40 °C)

Check the maximum temperatures, if installing the pump in a cabinet or a housing.

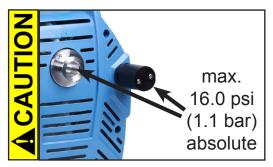
Make sure ventilation is adequate, especially if the ambient temperature is elevated.



Operation with silencer at the outlet: Operating the pump at a high inlet pressure or pumping dusty gases for a long time may cause clogging of the silencer. Check the silencer regularly and replace if necessary, or install a hose nozzle instead.



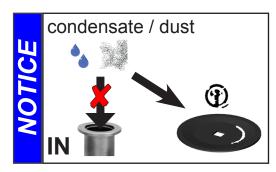
 If the pump is installed at an altitude of more than 6500 ft (2000 m) above mean sea level, check compatibility with applicable safety requirements, and adopt suitable measures. There is a risk of the motor overheating due to insufficient cooling.



 Check compatibility with the maximally permitted pressure at outlet and the maximum pressure difference between inlet and outlet ports.

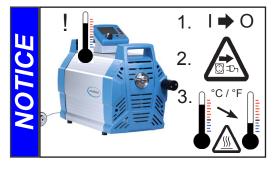
### NOTICE

Do not start the pump if the **pressure difference between inlet and outlet ports exceeds max. 16.0 psi (1.1 bar)**. Attempts to start the pump at higher pressure difference may cause stalling and damage of the motor.



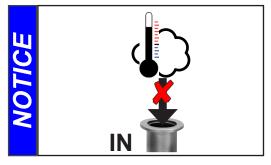
Prevent internal condensation, transfer of liquids or dust. The diaphragms and valves will be damaged, if liquids are pumped in significant amounts.

Check the pump regularly for external soiling and deposits. Clean the pump if necessary to avoid an increase of the pump's operating temperature.

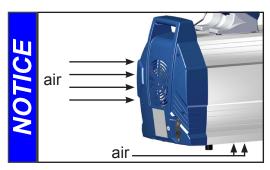


In case of overload, the motor is shut down by a **self-hold thermal cutout** in the winding.

**Note**: Only manual reset is possible. Press the START/STOP key at the controller to confirm the error message. Switch off the pump and disconnect from the power source. Identify and eliminate the cause of failure. Allow the pump to cool down sufficiently before restart.



Avoid overheating (e.g., due to hot process gases). Maximum permissible temperature range: see "Gas inlet temperatures", pg. 27.



Make sure the fans' air supply is adequate. Do not place the pump on soft surfaces (e.g., rubber foam) during operation. This may reduce the air circulation in the pump housing and affect the fans' cooling effect. Check fans regularly for dust/dirt. Clean fan guard grills if necessary to avoid a reduction of ventilation.



A warm up period (approximately 15 min.) is required to ensure that the rated ultimate vacuum and pumping speed are attained.

# Shutdown & storage

The pump can be switched off under vacuum.



#### **Short-term:**

- Has the pump been exposed to condensate?
  - Allow the pump to continue to run at atmospheric pressure for a few minutes.
- Has the pump been exposed to media which may damage the pump materials or form deposits?
  - Check and clean pump heads if necessary.
- Has the pressure transducer been exposed to media which may form deposits?
   Clean pressure transducer if necessary.



#### Long-term:

- Take measures as described above regarding short-term shutdown.
- Separate the pump from the application.
- Close inlet and outlet ports (e.g., with transport caps).
- Store the pump under dry conditions.

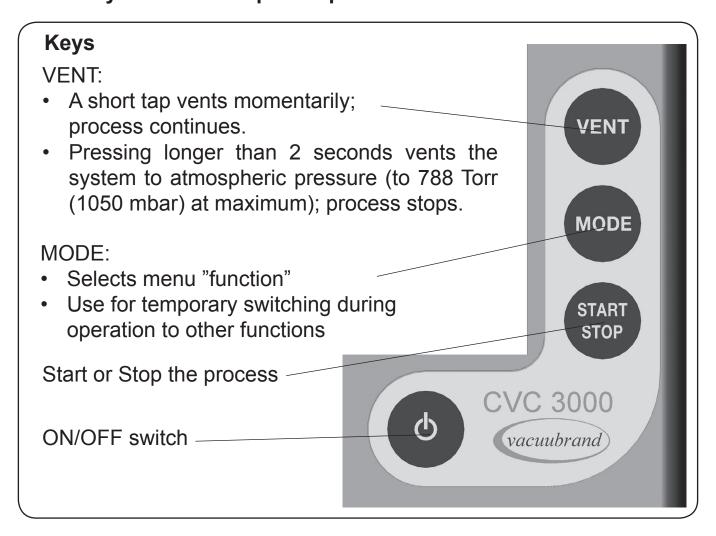
# Vacuum controller CVC 3000

When switching on the controller CVC 3000 for the very first time, a menu to select the language of the controller menu is displayed. Select the desired language, e.g., "English" by turning the selection knob and pressing to confirm. Then select the pressure unit ("mbar", "Torr" or "hPa") in the same way.

It is possible to access the language selection menu at any time by switching on the controller while keeping the selection knob pressed.

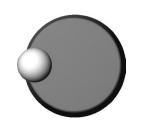
After switching on the device, the **version number of the software** is displayed, followed by the preselected function and the pressure reading.

Attention: Do not assemble or remove plug connections off-axis! Orient the plug correctly before inserting. To connect additional components use VACUU•BUS Y-adapters and extension cables. If an external pressure transducer is connected, it is recognized automatically. Further information on how to use several sensors simultaneously is available upon request.

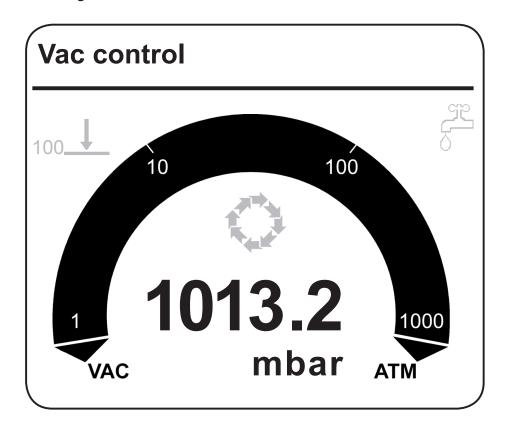


#### Selection knob

- Press to reach the set-up menu of the function
- Turn to choose the parameter you want to modify
- Press to select the parameter you want to modify
- Turn to change the set value of the parameter
- Press to confirm change of value and to reach further parameters, or to leave the set-up menu



## **Display and symbols**

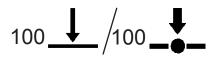


**Selected function** (displayed in the upper left corner): (A "function" is an operation mode of the CVC 3000 controller.)

Pump down / Vac control / Auto mode (only with NT VARIO pump) / Program / VACUULAN / Configuration

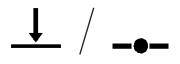
### Other display symbols:

1013.2 Actual absolute pressure at the pressure transducermbar / Torr / hPa Preselected pressure unit



Vacuum control to a preset vacuum value (here: 100 mbar/Torr/hPa)

(with NT pump / with NT VARIO pump)



Actual pressure is in the range "Set vacuum + hysteresis" (with NT pump) / Actual pressure = "Set vacuum" (with NT VARIO pump)



Flashing: The actual pressure is greater than the preset maximum value ("Maximum")



Minimum value ("Minimum") reached

00:00:00 Process runtime (only if process control is running)



Pump down (continuous pumping)



Pump symbol is displayed when pump is running. With an NT VARIO pump, the pump's motor speed is also displayed in % of full speed.



Time meter is running (in function "VACUULAN"); remaining time in minutes is displayed



In-line valve switched on



Venting valve switched on



Coolant valve switched on



PC symbol: controller is in remote operation



Control is running



Warning notice (if necessary in combination with other symbols), flashing



Level sensor activated; catchpots need to be emptied.



Peltronic emission condenser connected

## Notes on selecting the function

The CVC 3000 controller can be adapted to the specific application by choosing the appropriate function depending on the connected components and the requirements of the application.

#### **Automatic detection of the components**

When switching on the controller, the configuration of the connected components is checked automatically.

**Connected components** (pump NT VARIO / VARIO-B, gauge head VSK 3000, valves) are **detected automatically** and controlled by the CVC 3000 until the controller is switched off. Switch off/on the controller to renew the configuration.

The last mode of operation and the preselected values (e.g., for pressure, speed or time for switching off) are stored.

If the preselections are chosen appropriately, it is possible to start immediately if similar operating conditions are desired.

The controller features five functions and one configuration menu, see section "Menu guide". Each of these functions involves different menu options, which are presented automatically and reflect the connected components. The types of components connected (e.g., valves) determine the active menu items.

### Changing the function:

- ⇒ Switch controller on.
- ➡ Press "START/STOP" key to terminate control in case control is running (e.g., if "Autostart" is activated).
- ➡ Press "MODE" key.
- Select function with knob and press to confirm.
- Depending on the selected function and system components, the controller provides different operating control, as follows:

#### "Pump down"

- Manages the continuous speed control of the NT VARIO/VARIO-B pumps depending on preselected pressure and time settings.
- Coolant valve

#### "Vac control"

- With pressure preselection, controls a NT VARIO / VARIO-B pump to maintain pinpoint control of that pressure.
- · Coolant valve

#### "Auto mode"

- Provides fully automatic boiling point determination and adaptation with pinpoint precision, and optimization of pumping speed with NT VARIO / VARIO-B pumps.
- · Coolant valve

#### "Program"

- Control pump based on time and pressure preselections, or "Auto mode"
- Coolant valve
- Venting valve

#### "VACUULAN"

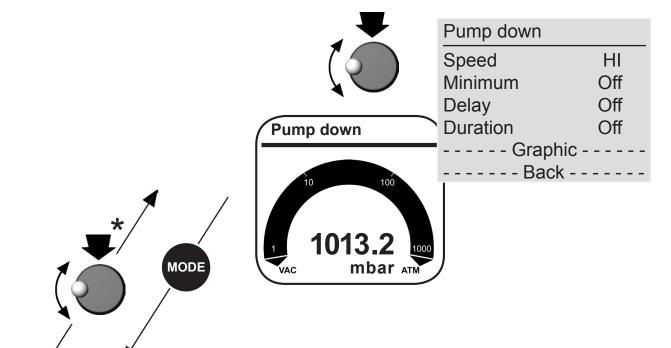
- Use continuous speed control to manage NT VARIO/VARIO-B pumps, based on pressure and time preselections.
- Coolant valve

## "Configuration"

Preselections for

- Adjustment of the pressure transducer
- Interface RS-232
- Sensors (configuration and switching between several sensors)
- Display (brightness and contrast of the display, language, sound)
- Autostart (automatic restart after power failure)
- Defaults (reset the controller to factory set values)
- You may also access the "Configuration" menu by pressing the selection knob while the start display is shown.

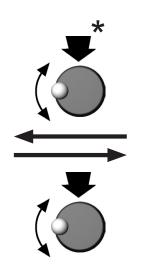
# Menu guide



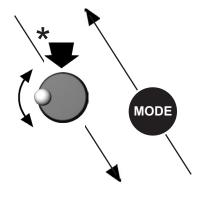
## **Function**

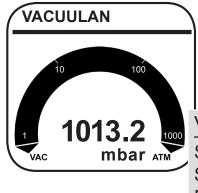
Pump down Vac control Auto mode Program VACUULAN Configuration

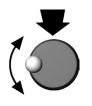
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Configuration	
Adjustment	760 Torr
RS-232	
Sensors	
Display	
Autostart	Off
Defaults	Cancel
Back	·



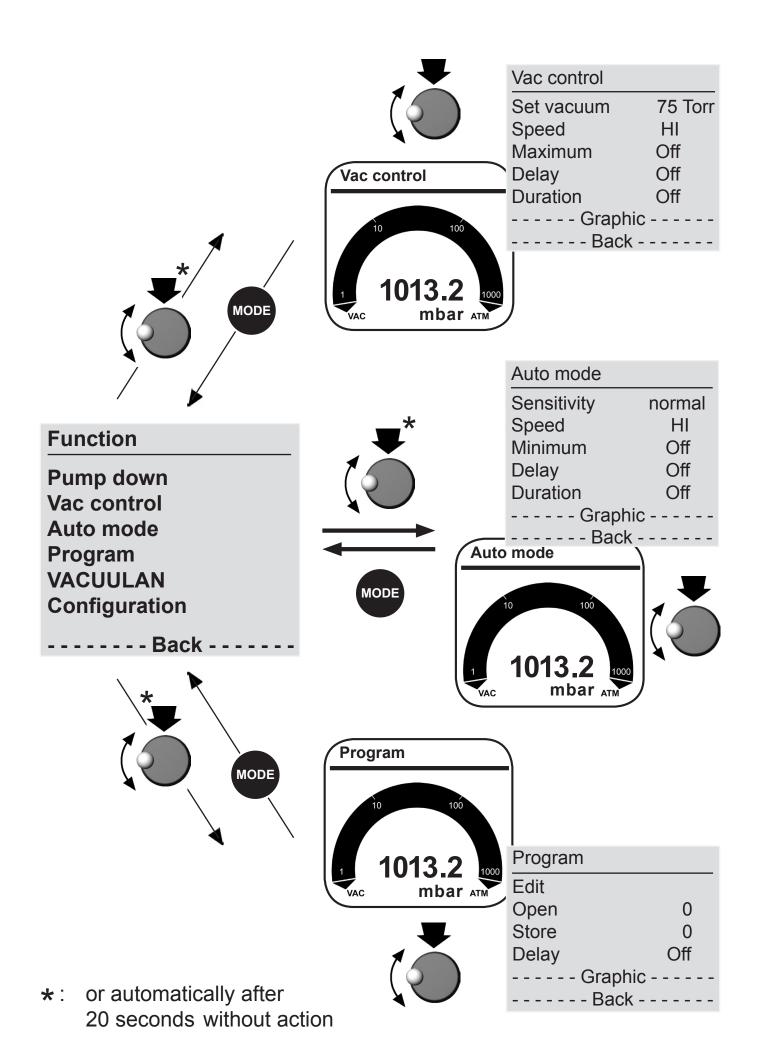




VACUULAN	
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Set vacuum 19 Torr Switch on 150 Torr Delay 15 min ----- Graphic -----

\*: or automatically after 20 seconds without action



# Pump down function

- Continuous pumping with pressure and time settings
- Operation on demand of a speed controlled NT VARIO / VARIO-B pump

#### **Preselections**

- Use the selection knob to select the parameters. All parameters can be altered even while operation control is running.
- Speed: Preselection of the motor speed for pump down. The selection "HI" effects the maximum speed and best ultimate vacuum of the pump (with automatic speed reduction at ultimate vacuum). The "Speed" is adjustable in a range of 1-100% and to "HI".
- Minimum: The controller switches the pump off once the preset value for "Minimum" has been reached.

"Minimum" is adjustable in a range of 1-795 Torr (1-1060 mbar) or can be set to "Off".

A preset "Duration" (process time) has no effect if the process is stopped due to a preset "Minimum" before "Duration" is reached.

Delay: "Delay" determines the time the coolant valve remains open after the process has been stopped.

The "Delay" is adjustable in a range of 1-300 minutes or can be set to "Off" ("Off" means that the coolant valve closes immediately when the process stops.).

Duration: "Duration" determines the total process time since control start.

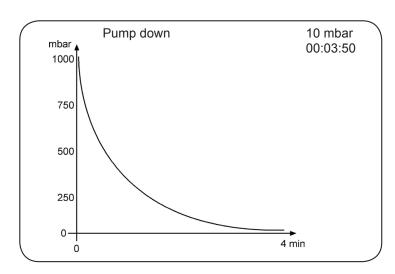
The process time is adjustable between 1-1440 minutes (24 h) or can be set to "Off". "Off" indicates that no endpoint for pump down is determined.

If a "Duration" is preset, the controller switches off the pump when the preset process time is reached, even if a preset "Minimum" is still not reached.

If neither "Minimum" nor "Duration" is preset, process control has to be stopped by pressing key "STOP".

The screen-shot shows the factory-set values.

Pump down	760 Torr
Speed	HI
Minimum	Off
Delay	Off
Duration	Off
Graphic	;
Back -	



When selecting "Graphic" the display shows a pressure vs. time curve.

The timeline in the diagram adapts automatically to the process time.

Press the selection knob twice to return to the standard display.

# Temporary switching from "Pump down" to "Vac control" or "Auto mode" (only if control is running):

- Press "MODE" key. The controller switches to "Vac control" function, the current vacuum is used as set value.
- Pressing "MODE" key again switches to "Auto mode" function. The controller adapts the boiling pressure starting from the current vacuum level.
- The preset function of the controller does not change due to this temporary switching. When pressing "STOP" key, the controller is set again to the "Pump down" function.

## Adapting the pumping speed during pump down:

- Press the selection knob and turn.
- Turning the knob to the left reduces the speed.
- Turning the knob to the right increases the speed.

# Vac Control function

- **▶** Vacuum control to a preset vacuum value
- Operation on demand of a speed controlled pump (NT VARIO / VARIO-B)

#### **Preselections**

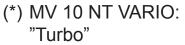
- Use the selection knob to select the parameters. All parameters can be altered even while operation control is running.
- Set vacuum: The "Set vacuum" is the set point for vacuum control with pinpoint precision for NT VARIO / VARIO-B pumps.

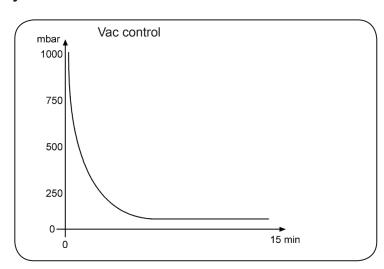
  The "Set vacuum" is adjustable in a range of 1-795 Torr (1-1060 mbar) or can be set to "Turbo". The selection "Turbo" leads to the optimum backing pressure for a turbomolecular pump.
- Speed: The maximum motor speed can be preselected (to control the pumping speed).
  - The "Speed" is adjustable in a range of 1-100% or can be set to "HI". The selection "HI" (recommended) provides the optimum pumping speed of the pump and therefore an optimum ultimate vacuum.
- Maximum: An upper pressure limit can be preselected. The pump switches off if the pressure limit is exceeded, e.g., at the end of suctions or filtrations. The pressure limit is only active once the pressure has gone below "Maximum".
  - The "Maximum" is adjustable in a range of 794-1Torr (1059 1 mbar) (at the least 1 Torr (mbar) higher than the "Set vacuum") and to "Off". "Off" means that no "Maximum" value is preset.
- Delay: "Delay" determines the time the coolant valve remains open after the process has been stopped.
  - The "Delay" is adjustable in a range of 1-300 minutes or can be set to "Off" ("Off" means that the coolant valve closes immediately when the process stops.).
- **Duration:** "Duration" determines the total process time since control start.

A preset "Duration" (process time) has no effect if the process is stopped due to a preset "Maximum" before "Duration" is reached. The "Duration" is adjustable between 1-1440 minutes (24 h) or can be set to "Off". "Off" means that no endpoint of the process is defined.

The screen-shots show the factory-set values.

Vac control	760 Torr	
Set vacuum	75 Torr	(*)
Speed	HI	
Maximum	Off	
Delay	Off	
Duration	Off	
Graph	ic	
Back	(	





When selecting "Graphic" the display shows a pressure vs. time curve.

The timeline in the diagram adapts automatically to the process time. Press the selection knob twice to return to the standard display.

# Temporarily switching from "Vac control" to "Auto mode" while process control is running:

Press "MODE" key. The controller switches to "Auto mode" and adapts the boiling pressure starting with the actual set value. The preset function of the controller does not change due to this switching. When pressing the "STOP" key, the controller is in "Vac control" function again.

#### Adjustment of the set vacuum during vacuum control:

Dynamic, interactive adaptation:

- Press the selection knob and keep pressed.
- Turning the knob for a 1/4 turn to the left causes pump down.
- Turning the knob for a 1/4 turn to the right causes venting.
- When the knob is released, the current pressure value is used as new set value.

## Alternatively:

### Fine tuning:

The set vacuum can be fine-adjusted by turning the selection knob while process is running.

- Turn the selection knob.
- A full turn causes a change of the set vacuum of 9 Torr (12 mbar).
- Turning the knob one detent causes a change of the set vacuum of 1 Torr (mbar).

# **Auto mode**

Control of a NT VARIO / VARIO-B pump in "Auto mode": Automatic detection of boiling points, and automatic adjustment of determined boiling points as process parameters change.

#### **Preselections**

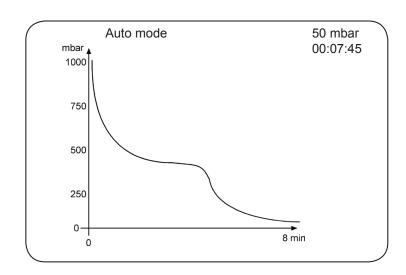
- Use the selection knob to set the parameters.
- Sensitivity: The "Sensitivity" of the control determines the control speed. The "Sensitivity" is adjustable to "high", "normal" or "low". High sensitivity leads to a reduced pump-down speed, e.g., for small amounts of solvents or foaming processes. Use a low sensitivity for "non-critical" processes to reduce process time. Usually setting the "Sensitivity" to "normal" is appropriate.
- Speed: The maximum motor speed can be preselected (to limit the pumping speed).
  - The "Speed" is adjustable in a range of 1-100% or can be set to "HI". The selection "HI" (recommended) causes an automatic limitation of the adaptation depending on parameters determined during the process. Only in case of very sensitive processes is it advisable to reduce the maximum speed.
- Minimum: If the vacuum value reaches "Minimum" the process is stopped. Use "Minimum" for automatic process termination.
  - The "Minimum" is adjustable in a range of 2-795 Torr (2 1060 mbar), or can be set to "Auto" or to "Off".
  - When selecting "Auto" the controller switches off automatically at the end of the process (boiling plateau). This is recommended only for large amounts of solvents.
- Delay: "Delay" specifies the time the coolant valve remains open after process stop.
  - The "Delay" is adjustable in a range of 1-300 minutes or can be set to "Off" ("Off" means that the coolant valve closes immediately when the process stops.).

**Duration:** "Duration" determines the total process time since control start.

The "Duration" is adjustable between 1-1440 minutes (24 h) or can be set to "Off". A preset "Duration" (process time) has no effect, if the process is stopped earlier by reaching the preset "Minimum".

The screen-shot shows the factory-set values.

Auto mode	760 Torr
Sensitivity	normal
Speed	HI
Minimum	Off
Delay	Off
Duration	Off
Graph	nic
Back	(



When selecting "Graphic" the display shows a pressure vs. time curve.

The timeline in the diagram adapts automatically to the process time.

Press the selection knob twice to return to the standard display.

## Temporary switching from "Auto mode" to "Vac control" function

- Press "MODE" key. The controller switches to "Vac control". The current pressure value is used and held as new set point.
- The preset function of the controller does not change due to this temporary switching. When pressing "STOP" key, the controller is set again to the "Auto mode".

# **Program function**

**▶** Permits ten programs to be defined and stored, each with up to ten program steps with preset values for vacuum and time.

#### r Edit:

Use to define the preset values for the process run:

**Time:** Defines either the process runtime for each program step to reach a preset vacuum level or, if programming a "Step", the runtime after having achieved the vacuum level. The total process runtime is shown in the base line. Attention: A preset runtime of 99:59:59 hours in the final program step will cause the process to run endlessly. Terminate the process by pressing the "STOP" key.

Vacuum: Vacuum level to be attained.

**Venting valve:** Operating a venting valve to reach a preset vacuum level.

"Step": "Step" causes pump down as fast as possible to the preset vacuum level. As soon as the vacuum level is reached the time meter starts running.

"Auto": Auto =  $\bot$ : indicates that the system will search for a boiling point automatically, and will automatically adapt to changes in the boiling point until a preselected time interval expires.

Auto = -: indicates that the system will automatically adapt to changes in the boiling point. The program step is finished when the selected time or pressure value has been reached.

Selecting "Auto" in combination with "Step" in one program step is not possible.

- **□ Open:** Choose program (Programs 0 9).
- Store: This command stores an edited program or the program of the last process to one of the storage spaces 0 9.
- **Delay:** "Delay" specifies the time the coolant valve remains open after process stop.

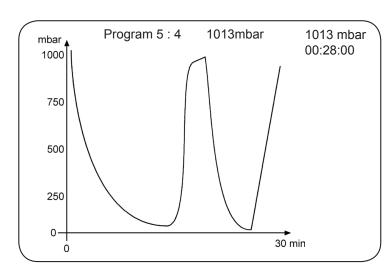
The "Delay" is adjustable in a range of 1-300 minutes or can be set to "Off" ("Off" means that the coolant valve closes immediately when the process stops.).

#### **Editing:**

- To select row: turn and press selection knob.
- To adjust parameter: turn the selection knob.
- To confirm parameter: Press selection knob. Controller will accept change and jump to the next parameter in the same row.
- After 5 seconds without a change, the parameter is assumed to be the current setting. Select the next row to edit or return to the Program menu.
- ➡ In case, store an edited program after having quit "Edit" by storing it to one of the storage spaces 0 - 9 (select "Store").

The screen-shot shows the factory-set values.

Program	760 Torr
Edit	
Open	0
Store	0
Delay	Off
Graphic	
Back -	



When selecting "Graphic", the display shows a pressure vs. time curve.

Program number, and the step number in that program, along with the vacuum setting, the actual current pressure and the actual runtime are displayed across the top.

The timeline in the diagram adapts automatically to the process time.

Press the selection knob twice to return to the standard display.

The most recent process (except in "VACUULAN" function) is stored in the temporary data memory as long as the controller stays switched on. This program can be transferred to a storage space and edited.

Once the program is finished, the clock symbol starts to flash. Confirm the end of the program by pressing START/STOP (clock symbol will disappear).

Attention: If "Autostart" is set to "On", the program will start again (time will be reset to 00:00:00) after a power failure or after switching the controller off/on. Only if the end of the program (clock symbol flashing) has been confirmed by pressing START/STOP, the program will not start again.

Attention: If the controller is set to "Defaults": "On", all stored programs will be deleted.

# Application example

#### **Example**

NT VARIO vacuum pump with speed control (e.g., with a rotary evaporator): Degassing and automatic distillation with timing

Prog	ıram				
No	hh:mm:ss	Vac	Vent.	Step	Auto
01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10	00:00:00 00:10:00 01:00:00 00:01:00 00:00:00 00:00:00 00:00:00 00:00:00	ATM 300 2 ATM 0 0 0 0 0 0	√ √	<i>y y</i>	<u>↓</u> *
	01:11:00				

between the vacuum for degassing and the expected vacuum for distillation is very small (distillation vacuum >75% of the degassing vacuum), select the function "Auto •" (adapting the vacuum starting from the current pressure) instead of "Auto •" (at first searching the boiling point automatically, and then adapting the vacuum).

Program step 1 should be always a definite initial state, here atmospheric pressure (ATM). To reach this state definitely, set a tickmark at "Vent." and "Step" by pressing the selection knob.

In step 2, pumping begins, attempting to reach 300 Torr/mbar as quickly as possible ("Step"). Vacuum holds there for 10 minutes (degassing the solvent).

In step 3, "Auto 

" causes an automatic search of a boiling point in the pressure interval between 300 Torr/mbar/hPa (depending on preset pressure unit) and 2 Torr/mbar/hPa, followed by automatic adaptation to changes in the boiling point. The following step starts either (1) once the cumulative process time reaches the set limit (1 hour/60 minutes), even if the preset pressure (2 Torr/mbar/hPa) has not been reached, or (2) if a vacuum of 2 Torr/mbar/hPa is reached, even if the preset time has not been completed.

Step 4 vents to atmospheric pressure as fast as possible and switches off the control after one minute.

# **VACUULAN** function

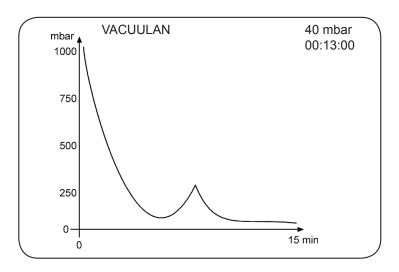
- → Optimizes vacuum control for vacuum networks (e.g., VACUUBRAND VACUU•LAN)
- → Permits on-demand operation of a speed-controlled pump (NT VARIO/VARIO-B)

#### **Preselections**

- Use the selection knob to select the parameters.
- Set vacuum (the lower switch-off value): If the pressure drops below the "Set vacuum", a time-meter starts to run and the motor speed is reduced. When the pressure exceeds the "Set vacuum" pressure again, the time meter is reset. If the "Set vacuum" is not reached within 100 hours, the controller signals an error.
  - The "Set vacuum" is adjustable in the range of 1-795 Torr (1-1060 mbar).
- Switch on (the higher switching value): If the pressure exceeds this pressure, pumping down starts again.
  - The "Switch on" pressure is adjustable in the range of 2-795 Torr (2-1060 mbar) (at the least 1 Torr (mbar) higher than the "Set vacuum"). In the event of a sudden high-pressure spike, pumping starts again even if the "Switch on" pressure has not been reached (pressure increase control).
- Delay: If the vacuum is below "Set vacuum" for longer than the "Delay" time, the pump is stopped. Pumping starts again in the event of a rapid pressure increase or if the "Switch on" level is exceeded.
  - The "Delay" is adjustable in a range of 1-300 minutes or can be set to "Off" ("Off" means that the coolant valve closes immediately when the process stops.).

This screen-shot shows the factory-set values.

VACUULAN	760 Torr		
Set vacuum	19 Torr		
Switch on	150 Torr		
Delay	15 min		
Graphic			
Back	<		



When selecting "Graphic" the display shows a pressure vs. time curve.

The timeline in the diagram adapts automatically to the process time. Press the selection knob twice to return to the standard display.

# **Application examples**

## Assembly of a vacuum system

- Assemble vacuum connection lines between vacuum pump, CVC 3000 and vacuum application.
- Assemble the vacuum connection line between the controller and the vacuum application, if the controller is not part of a pumping unit.
- Assemble electrical connections.
- Connect coolant if necessary.

## Vacuum for filtration and suction

- Select "Pump down" function.
- If necessary, set value for "Speed" (high or low pumping speed). Reduce the speed in case of fast sedimentation (formation of a filter cake).
- Set "Set vacuum" to a value which provides adequate suction but does not lead to evaporation of the solvent.
- Start process by pressing "START/STOP" key.

#### alternatively:

- Select "Vac control" function.
- Set "Set vacuum" to a value which does not lead to evaporation of the solvent.
- If necessary, set value for "Speed" (high or low pumping speed). Reduce the speed in case of fast sedimentation (formation of a filter cake).
- Set "Maximum" pressure setting so that pump will switch off at the end of the filtration process, or in the event that a filter cake cracks, leading to a sudden pressure increase.
- Start process by pressing "START/STOP" key.
- Tip for filtration: Adjust preset pressure to a value well above the boiling pressure of the solvent (e.g., for water >>15 Torr (20 mbar)). Set the maximum pressure to e.g., 375 Torr (500 mbar). Once the filtration has finished, the pressure increases and the pump is switched off automatically.

# Vacuum for gel dryer, drying chambers and vacuum concentrators

- Select function "**Pump down**" function. "*Speed*" "HI" is recommended. For gel dryers set a lower speed if necessary (if the gels tend to crack).
- Set "Minimum" to prevent volatile components from evaporating. The process is stopped automatically as soon as "Minimum" is reached.
- Set a process time ("Duration") if necessary.
- Start process by pressing "START/STOP" key.

#### alternatively:

- Select "Vac control" function to dry at a predetermined vacuum level.
- Set "Set vacuum" to the preferred evaporation vacuum of the solvent.
- Set a process time ("Duration") if necessary.
- Start process by pressing "START/STOP" key.

# Vacuum for distillation and evaporation (e.g., rotary evaporator)

# Fully automatic determination and adaptation of the boiling point (recommended)

- Select "Auto mode".
- Start process by pressing "START/STOP" key.
- The "Auto mode" allows a fully automatic distillation even if the boiling vacuum is unknown. In case of solvent mixtures the vacuum is reduced until all solvents or volatile components are evaporated (with respect to the ultimate vacuum of the pump and the bath temperature).
- If "Minimum" is set, the controller switches off the pump when the preset vacuum value is reached. The "Minimum" should be well below the boiling vacuum of the solvent to be evaporated and above the ultimate vacuum attainable in the apparatus. If the "Minimum" is set to "Auto", the controller automatically switches off the pump at the end of the evaporation (recommended for large solvent quantities only). The setting of "Duration" (process runtime) has no effect if the pump is switched off due to "Minimum" before "Duration" is over.

- When setting a value for "Duration" the controller switches off the pump when "Duration" has passed even if a preset "Minimum" is still not reached.
- If neither "Minimum" nor "Duration" is preset, pumping down has to be finished by pressing the "START/STOP" key.

#### alternatively:

#### Semi-automatic distillation and evaporation

- Select function "Pump down".
- Start process by pressing "START/STOP" key.
- Observe process. As soon as evaporation starts, press "MODE" key (switching to "Vac control"). The vacuum level is kept constant (at the boiling pressure). Fine tuning of the vacuum value is possible by turning the selection knob.
  - Pressing "MODE" key a second time switches to "Auto mode" causing the vacuum level to be automatically adapted to changes of the boiling pressure.

#### alternatively:

- Select "Vac control" function.
- Set a maximum "Speed", to select a faster or slower process.
- To set "Maximum" is usually not necessary, unlike filtrations, because the pressure does not increase at the end of the evaporation.
- Set a value for "Duration" if the process should be terminated automatically after a definite time.
- Set "Set vacuum" depending on the solvent and the temperature.
- Start process by pressing "START" key.
- To temporarily switch to "Auto mode": Press "MODE" key. The controller switches to "Auto mode". The setting of the controller does not change due to this switching. After pressing "START/STOP" key the controller is in "Vac control" again.

# Fore-vacuum for high vacuum pumps

Using the NT VARIO pump as fore-vacuum pump (also known as a "roughing pump" or "backing pump") for a high vacuum pump (e.g. turbo-molecular with high fore-vacuum tolerance):

- Use "Pump down" function with "Speed" set to "HI" or
- Use "Vac control" function with "Set vacuum" set to "Turbo".

# Configuration

In the "Configuration" menu the device parameters are preselected. After 20 seconds without action the function "Configuration" and its submenus (except submenu "Sensors") are quit automatically without storing any possibly changed parameter.

#### **Preselections**

- Use the selection knob to select the parameters.
- Adjustment: Adjustment of the pressure transducer under vacuum and/or at atmospheric pressure, see also section "Readjustment of VSK 3000", pg. 67.
  - Adjustment to atmospheric pressure is carried out at an absolute pressure value between 795 - 525 Torr (1060 - 700 mbar). This is especially helpful in high elevation laboratories. Adjustment under vacuum may be done at an absolute vacuum value between 0 - 15 Torr (0 - 20 mbar). In the range between 15 to 525 Torr (20 to 700 mbar) no adjustment is possible; ---- Torr is displayed.
- RS-232: Configuration of the interface, setting of parameters and commands, see section "Interface".
  - Baud rate can be set to 19200, 9600, 4800 or 2400, parity on "8-N-1", "7-O-1" or "7-E-1", Handshake on "no", "Xon-Xoff" or "RTS-CTS" and remote on "On" or "Off".
- Sensors: Selection of the pressure transducer to be controlled (maximum 4 external sensors).
- Display: Selection of the device parameters "Brightness" between 0 - 100%, "Contrast" between 0 - 100%, "Sound" "On" or "Off", "Units" "mbar", "hPa" or "Torr", "Language" "German", "English", "French", "Italian", "Spanish", "Turkish", "Korean", "Chinese", "Portuguese", "Russian", "Polish", "Dutch", "Japanese", "Finnish".
- Autostart: If "Autostart" is set to "On" the controller restarts a running process automatically after a mains failure. If this is unwanted, set "Autostart" to "Off".



**CAUTION** Attention: If "Autostart" is preselected, the process starts immediately after power failure without pressing any further key. It is the user's responsibility to ensure that no dangerous status of the system due to the automatic start-up can occur and to provide appropriate safety measures. If necessary, the user has to check **prior to starting the process** if the option "Autostart" is enabled.

Defaults: If "Defaults" is set to "Load", the controller is reset to factory set values. All stored programs and parameters are deleted.

This screen-shot shows the factory-set values.

Configuration	
Adjustment	760 Torr
RS-232	
Sensors	
Display	
Autostart	Off
Defaults	Cancel
Back	

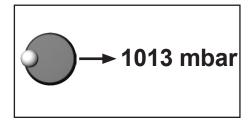
# Readjustment of VSK 3000

#### NOTICE

The vacuum gauge head was adjusted using factory standards, which are traceable through regular calibration in an accredited laboratory (DAkkS calibration laboratory) to the German national pressure standard. Depending on the process and/or accuracy requirements, check the adjustment and readjust if necessary. For readjustment, the device has to be adjusted both at atmospheric pressure as well as under vacuum but only if the reference pressures are known with certainty. The adjustment mode can be activated only if the process control is inactive. Press "START/STOP" key, if necessary. In the range between 15 to 525 Torr (20 to 700 mbar) no adjustment is possible;

---- Torr is displayed.

#### Adjustment at atmospheric pressure



An adjustment at atmospheric pressure is only possible if the pressure is higher than 525 Torr (700 mbar).

Vent the measurement connection of the VSK 3000 and/or the vacuum system. Make sure that the pressure transducer is at atmospheric pressure.

- ➡ In "Configuration" menu, select program "Adjustment" at the controller.
- ➡ Use the selection knob to adjust the reading to the current atmospheric pressure.
- ➡ Press the selection knob to confirm.

Note: To determine the actual atmospheric pressure, use an accurate barometer or get accurate reading from the weather service, or a nearby airport or other reliable source (taking into account the difference in altitude between the source and the laboratory).

## Adjustment under vacuum

0 mbar

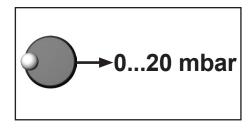
An adjustment under vacuum is only possible if the pressure is lower than 15 Torr (20 mbar) absolute.

Evacuate the measurement connection of the VSK 3000 to a pressure < 0.1 Torr (mbar) (e.g., by applying a good two-stage rotary vane pump).

- → In "Configuration" menu, select program "Adjustment" at the controller.
- The reading is automatically adjusted to "zero".
- ➡ Press the selection knob to confirm.

**Note:** Adjustment under vacuum with an actual pressure higher than 0.1 Torr (mbar) reduces the accuracy of the measurement. If the pressure is significantly higher than 0.1 Torr (mbar), adjustment to a reference pressure is recommended.

# Adjustment at a reference pressure



Instead of adjustment under vacuum to a pressure < 0.1 Torr (mbar), adjustment to a precisely known reference pressure within the range of 0..... 15 Torr (20 mbar) is possible. Evacuate the measurement connection of the VSK 3000 to a pressure within 0 ..... 15 Torr (0.....20 mbar).

- ➡ In "Configuration" menu, select program "Adjustment" at the controller.
- The reading is automatically adjusted to "zero".
- ➡ Use the selection knob to adjust the display to the reference pressure at the vacuum line within the range of 0 ..... 15 Torr (0.....20 mbar).
- → Press the selection knob to confirm.

**Note:** The accuracy of the value of the reference pressure will directly affect the accuracy of the adjustment. If the nominal ultimate vacuum of a diaphragm pump is used as reference vacuum, the accuracy of the controller might be doubtful. The diaphragm pump may not achieve the specified value (due to condensate, poor condition, failure of valves or diaphragm, leaks).

# Calibration in the factory

## **Control of measuring equipment**

The VACUUBRAND DAkkS calibration laboratory is accredited by the Deutsche Akkreditierungsstelle GmbH (national accreditation body of the Federal Republic of Germany) for the measurable variable pressure in the pressure range from 7.5\*10<sup>-4</sup> Torr to 975 Torr (10<sup>-3</sup> mbar to 1300 mbar) in accordance with the general criteria for the operation of testing laboratories defined in the DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2000 series of standards (accreditation number D-K-15154-01).

The DAkkS is signatory to the multilateral agreements of the European cooperation for Accreditation (EA) and of the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) for the mutual recognition of calibration certificates.

Rely on calibration in the VACUUBRAND calibration laboratory:

- To meet the requirements of the DIN ISO 9000ff and 10012 series of standards regarding the calibration of inspection, measuring and test equipment at specified intervals.
- To document that the vacuum gauges calibrated are traceable to national standards of the PTB (Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt; German national institute for science and technology and the highest technical authority of the Federal Republic of Germany for the field of metrology and certain sectors of safety engineering).

To order <b>DAkkS calibration</b> of the \	/SK 3000 pressure transducer,
order number:	900215

# Cleaning the pressure transducer

- → Attention: Never use a pointed or sharp-edged tool to clean the pressure transducer.
- Never touch the ceramic diaphragm of the pressure transducer with hard objects.
- ➡ Fill the measurement chamber with a solvent (e.g., benzene) and allow sufficient cleaning time. Observe all regulations concerning usage and disposal of solvents!
- → Drain the solvent and dispose of in accordance with regulations. Repeat cleaning if necessary.
- ➡ Rinse the measurement chamber several times with alcohol in order to remove all solvent residues.
- → Allow the pressure transducer to dry.
- ➡ Readjust the pressure transducer if necessary.

Readjustment of the pressure transducer VSK 3000 See section "Readjustment of VSK 3000", pg. 67.

Please continue with part 2 of this manual.



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# Interface parameters

The CVC 3000 controller is equipped with a serial interface (RS 232C, nine-pin Sub-D-plug).

- Plug-in or remove the cable (cable RS 232C) from the interface only if the equipment is switched off.
- The interface is **not** electrically isolated from the measuring circuit.
- For optimal electromagnetic compatibility assemble an interface filter (cat. no.: 638235).

The controller is fully operable via the serial interface. Measuring results, preselections and the status of the controller can be read at any time.

The factory-set read and write commands are completely compatible with the VACUUBRAND CVC 2000 controller (see sections "Read / Write commands CVC 2000"). An extended instruction set is available using the command "CVC 3" (see sections "Read / Write commands CVC 3000").

#### Setting of the interface

Set the interface parameters directly at the controller CVC 3000. <u>The factory set values are underlined.</u>

Edit and confirm the interface parameters in the "Configuration" menu in "RS-232" submenu using the selection knob.

**⇒** Baud: 2400, 4800, 9600 or 19200

⇒ Parity: 8-N-1, 7-O-1 or 7-E-1

➡ Handshake: Off, Xon-Xoff or <u>RTS-CTS</u>

Remote: On or Off

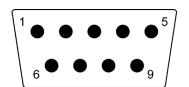
→ Timeout: Sending 1s, receiving 10s.

In remote mode (Remote On, with the "PC symbol" in the display) all keys at the controller are inoperable.

To return to the manual operation of the controller, set the controller to "Remote off" in menu configuration: Switch off the controller. Then switch the controller back on, and press the selection knob within 2s.

- → A maximum of ten commands per second is possible.
- ⇒ Read commands and commands "REMOTE", "CVC", and "STORE" can always be sent. The sending of other write commands is only possible, if "Remote on" is selected.
- The commands have to be written in capital letters.
- → Command and parameter have to be separated by a blank.
- → The string is terminated with <CR> or <LF> or <CR><LF>.
- ➡ The response of the controller is always terminated with <CR><LF>.
- Numerical values and parameters can be written without leading zeros.
- ➡ The response of the controller always includes leading zeros.

#### Pin assignment RS-232 C



2: RxD

3: TxD

4: DTR

5: Mass

7: RTS

8: CTS

9: +5V (Bluetooth)

# Read commands "CVC 2000"

Command	Operation	Response	Description
IN_PV_1	current pressure	XXXX mbar/ Torr/hPa	unit according to preselections
IN_PV_2	current frequency	XX.X Hz	pump speed
IN_CFG	device set preselections	0XXXX 1XXXX 2XXXX 3XXXX X0XXX X1XXX XX0XX XX1XX XXX0X XXX1X XXX0X XXXX1 XXXX0 XXXX1	VACUU•LAN continuous pumping vacuum control without automatic vacuum control with automatic no coolant valve coolant valve no venting valve venting valve no automatic switch off automatic switch off remote operation on
IN_ERR	error code	1XXX X1XX XX1X XXX1	fault at pump electronics overpressure maloperation mode pressure transducer last command to interface incorrect
IN_STAT	status of process control	0XXX 1XXX X0XX X1XX XX00 XX01 XX02 XX03 XX10 XX11 XX20 XX21 XX22 XX23 XX30 XX31 XX32 XX33 XX32 XX33	coolant valve closed coolant valve open venting valve closed venting valve open VACUU•LAN: inactive VACUU•LAN: pumping down, current pressure > selected pressure VACUU•LAN: pumping down, time for automatic switching off is running VACUU•LAN: system is switched off continuous pumping: not active continuous pumping; active vacuum control: not active vacuum control: current pressure equals set vacuum (±1 Torr/mbar) vacuum control: current pressure below set vacuum automatic: not active automatic: determining boiling point automatic: adjusting boiling point automatic: system is switched off

#### Write commands "CVC 2000"

Command	Operation	Parameter	Description
OUT_MODE	function	1 2 3 30 31 32	continuous pumping vacuum control without automatic vacuum control with automatic optional: sensitivity: low optional: sensitivity: normal optional: sensitivity: high
OUT_SP_1	set vacuum	XXXX	unit (mbar/Torr/hPa) according to pre- selection; see respective function for parameter range
OUT_SP_V	set vacuum with venting*	XXXX	unit (mbar/Torr/hPa) according to pre- selection; see respective function for parameter range
OUT_SP_2	set frequency	XX.X	motor speed in Hz (99.9 for "HI")
OUT_SP_3	vacuum for switch on (VACUU•LAN)	XXXX	unit (mbar/Torr/hPa) according to pre- selection; see respective function for parameter range
OUT_SP_4	delay	XX:XX	hh:mm (hours:minutes)
OUT_SP_5	vacuum for auto- matic switching off	XXXX	unit (mbar/Torr/hPa) according to pre- selection; see respective function for parameter range
OUT_SP_6	time for automatic switching off (VACUU•LAN)	XX:XX	hh:mm (hours:minutes)
START	starting process control		
STOP	stopping process control	1 2	termination of process control termination of process control and stor- age of the current pressure as new set point
REMOTE	remote operation**	0 1	set controller to local operation set controller to remote operation
OUT_VENT	driving venting valve	0 1	close venting valve (not automatically) open venting valve (process control stopped)

<sup>\*</sup> Pressure setting with venting is only possible in "Vac control" function if a venting valve is connected and configured, and vacuum control is started. The venting valve opens automatically if the actual pressure is at least 7.5 Torr (10 mbar) below the preset pressure. Automatic venting becomes inactive if vacuum control is stopped (by pressing "START/STOP" or "VENT"), a pressure value is set using the command OUT\_SP\_1, or if the function is changed. Activate the command OUT\_SP\_V again if necessary.

\*\* If remote operation is selected or deselected, the user has to ensure that no dangerous status of the system can occur due to the change of the mode of operation, and must take appropriate safety precautions, especially if selecting remote operation interferes with a locally operated active process.

# Read commands "CVC 3000"

Command	Operation	Response	Description
IN_PV_1	current pressure	XXXX.X mbar/Torr/hPa	unit according to preselections
IN_PV_2	current speed	XXX%	1-100% or "HI"
IN_PV_3	time	XX:XX h:m	process runtime (hours:minutes)
IN_PV_X	pressure	XXXX.X XXXX.X	pressure of all connected sensors, unit (mbar/Torr/hPa) according to preselections
IN_PV_T	operation time of the controller	XXXXdXXh	operation time in days and hours
IN_CFG	device set preselections  + Language: 0: German 1: English 2: French 3: Italian 4: Spanish 5: Turkish 6: Korean 7: Chinese 8: Portuguese 9: Russian A: Polish B: Dutch C: Japanese D: Finnish	0XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	VACUU•LAN Pump down Vac control Auto mode Program measuring device y: 0D: language+ (hexadecimal) pressure unit mbar pressure unit Torr pressure unit hPa autostart off autostart on acoustic signal off acoustic signal on VARIO pump not connected VMS not connected VMS not connected in-line valve not connected in-line valve not connected coolant valve not connected coolant valve connected venting valve not connected fault indicator not connected fault indicator rot connected level sensor not connected level sensor connected remote module not connected remote module connected y: 19: sensor number y: 19: sensor quantity remote operation off remote operation on

Command	Operation	Response	Description
		0XXXXX	pump off
		1XXXXX	pump on
		X0XXXX	in-line valve closed
		X1XXXX	in-line valve open
		XX0XXX	coolant valve closed
		XX1XXX	coolant valve open
		XXX0XX	venting valve closed
		XXX1XX	venting valve open
		XXXX0X	VACUU•LAN
	status process	XXXX1X	Pump down
IN_STAT	control	XXXX2X	Vac control
		XXXX3X	Auto mode
		XXXX4X	Program
		XXXX5X	measuring device
		XXXXX0	control off
		XXXXX1	pump down -
		V00000	determining boiling point
		XXXXX2	set vacuum reached -
		VAAAA40	boiling pressure found
		XXXXX3	current pressure below set vacuum
		0.000000	- automatic switch-off
		0XXXXXXXX	no fault at pump
		1XXXXXXXX	fault at pump
		X0XXXXXXX	no fault at in-line valve
		X1XXXXXXX XX0XXXXXX	fault at in-line valve no fault at coolant valve
		XX1XXXXXX	fault at coolant valve
		XXX0XXXXX	no fault at venting valve
		XXX1XXXXX	fault at venting valve
		XXXX0XXXX	no overpressure
IN_ERR	fault status	XXXX1XXXX	overpressure
		XXXXX0XXX	no fault at pressure transducer
		XXXXX1XXX	fault at pressure transducer
		XXXXXXXXXX	catchpot not full
		XXXXXX1XX	catchpot full
		XXXXXXXXXX	no external fault
		XXXXXXXX1X	external fault
		XXXXXXXX0	last interface command correct
		XXXXXXXX1	last interface command incorrect
IN_SP_1	set vacuum	XXXX mbar/Torr/hPa	unit according to preselections
IN_SP_2	maximum speed	XXX%	speed in % (1-100% or "HI")
IN_SP_3	switching pressure	XXXX mbar/Torr/hPa	switching pressure for VACUU•LAN or two point control; unit according to preselections

Command	Operation	Response	Description
IN_SP_4	delay	XX:XX h:m	hours:minutes (00:00 = Off)
IN_SP_5	switch off pressure	XXXX mbar/Torr/hPa	"Maximum" for "Vac control", "Minimum" for "Pump down") unit according to preselections
IN_SP_6	runtime	XX:XX h:m	process runtime (hours:minutes)
IN_SP_P1y	time	XX:XX:XX h:m:s	time in program step y (09) (hours:minutes:seconds)
IN_SP_P2y	pressure	XXXX mbar/Torr/hPa	pressure in program step y (09) unit according to preselections
		0	no venting valve in program step y
IN_SP_P3y	venting valve	1	(09) venting valve in program step y (09)
IN_SP_P4y	Step	0 1	no "Step" in program step y (09) "Step" in program step y (09)
IN_SP_P5y	Auto	0 1	no "Auto" in program step y (09) "Auto" in program step y (09)
IN_PV_Sx	current pressure of pressure trans- ducer x	XXXX mbar/hPa/Torr	pressure of pressure transducer x (order of numbering according to display in "Sensors" menu)
IN_VER	version	CVC 3000 VX.XX	software version

## Write commands "CVC 3000"

Command	Operation	Parameter	Description
		0	VACUU•LAN
		1	Pump down
		2	Vac control
OUT MODE	function	3	Auto mode
OO1_MODE	Turicuon	30	optional: sensitivity: low
		31	optional: sensitivity: normal
		32	optional: sensitivity: high
		4	Program
		yXXX	y: 0D: language+ (hexadecimal), see
			"Read commands CVC 3000"
		X0XX	pressure unit mbar
	configuration	X1XX	pressure unit Torr
OUT_CFG	(bus monitoring)	X2XX	pressure unit hPa
(bus monitoring)	XX0X	Autostart off	
	XX1X	Autostart on	
		XXX0	acoustic signal off
		XXX1	acoustic signal on

**Attention (OUT\_MODE):** If control is running, it is only possible to switch either from 1 to 2, or from 2 to 3, or from 3 to 2. The set vacuum is adopted in each case.

Command	Operation	Parameter	Description
OUT-SP_1	set vacuum	XXXX	unit according to preselection; see respective function for parameter range
OUT_SP_V	set vacuum with venting	XXXX	unit according to preselection; see respective function for parameter range
OUT_SP_2	speed	XXX	speed in % or "HI"
OUT_SP_3	start-up pressure	XXXX	unit according to preselection; see respective function for parameter range
OUT_SP_4	delay	XX:XX	hh:mm (hours:minutes)
OUT_SP_5	switch-off pressure	xxxx	unit according to preselection; see respective function for parameter range
OUT_SP_6	switch-off time	XX:XX	hh:mm (hours:minutes)
OUT_SP_PL	open program	Х	program 09
OUT_SP_PS	store program	Х	program 09
OUT_SP_P1y	time	XX:XX:XX +XX:XX:XX	total runtime until program step y (09) or time for program step y (09) (additive)
OUT_SP_P2y	pressure	XXXX	pressure at program step y (09) unit according to preselection
OUT_SP_P3y	venting valve	0 1	no venting valve in program step y (09) venting valve in program step y (09)
OUT_SP_P4y	Step	0 1	no "Step" in program step y (09) "Step" in program step y (09)
OUT_SP_P5y	Auto	0 1 2	no "Auto" in program step y (09) "Auto  "Auto  "Auto  " in program step y (09) "Auto  " in program step y (09)
START			started
STOP		0 1 2	Stop and delete fault Stop Stop and adopt the set vacuum
REMOTE*		0 1	Remote off Remote on
ECHO**		0 1	Echo off Echo on, write command with return value
CVC		2 3	CVC 2000 commands CVC 3000 commands***
OUT_VENT		0 1 2	venting valve closed venting valve open venting until atmospheric pressure (788 Torr (1050 mbar) at maximum)
STORE			store settings permanently, if "ECHO = 1" after realization

Command	Operation	Parameter	Description
OUT_SENSOR		1 29	internal sensor external sensors (if connected)

- \* If remote operation is selected or deselected, the user has to ensure that no dangerous status of the system can occur due to the change of the mode of operation, and must also take appropriate safety precautions, especially if selecting remote operation interferes with a locally operated active process.
- \*\* With command "ECHO 1" a return value can be activated at write commands. A return value is only given if the command is performed correctly.
- \*\*\*After being switched on, the controller is in "CVC 2" mode by default. Send "CVC 3" and "STORE" to permanently set the controller RS 232C commands to the extended set "CVC 3000".

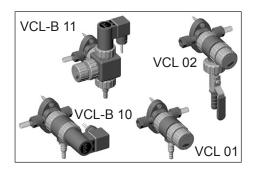
# Accessories / Spare parts

External pressure transducer VSK 3000,	
capacitive Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> sensor 1060-0.1 mbar	636657
Coolant valve VKW-B, VACUU-BUS	674220
Venting valve VBM-B / KF 16 or hose nozzle 10/6 mm, VACUU•BUS	674217
Adapter KF DN 16 to hose nozzle 1/2"	636004
Y-type adapter VACUU•BUS	636656
Wall bushing VACUU-BUS	636153
Extension cable VACUU-BUS, 2m	
VACUU-BUS extension cable, 32.8ft (10m)	
Cable RS 232C, 9-pole, Sub-D	637837
Installation set CVC 3000 (clips and screws)	
Vacuum hose (caoutchouc) 15 mm ID (sold by meter)	
At the inlet:	
Metal hose (stainless steel) KF DN 25 (1000mm)	673337
Adapter small flange KF DN 25 / hose nozzle DN 15 mm	
Vacuum valve VS 25 KF DN 25 (butterfly-type valve)	
vacuum varve vo 25 Kr Bri 25 (Butterny-type varve)	003003
At the outlet:	
Small flange KF DN 16 / G 1/2"	672101
Hose nozzle DN 15 mm / G 1/2"	642472

# Conversion of VACUUBRAND valves with DIN plug to VACUUBRAND valves with VACUU•BUS plug:

VACUUBRAND-valve with DIN plug	Conversion kit valve cable with VACUU•BUS plug
Coolant valve VKW, 24 V= (676013)	612567
Venting valve VBM, 24 V= (666817)	612554

#### Vacuum distribution:



The VACUU•LAN® modules allow process-oriented, flexible and cost effective connections according to your requirements. One vacuum pump can support several workstations. Contact VACUUBRAND for details.

VACUU•LAN® manual flow control module VCL 01	677106
VACUU•LAN® shut off / manual flow control module VCL 02	677107
VACUU•LAN® automatic control module VCL-B 10	677208
VACUU•LAN® manual flow control/	
automatic control module VCL-B 11	677209

On this page we offer only a small selection of VACUU•LAN® options. Please contact VACUUBRAND for further information. Listed modules are designed for surface-mounted installation. Different catalog numbers are used for modules designed for flush-mounting with concealed tubing.

For additional accessories such as vacuum valves, small-flange components, vacuum gauges or vacuum controllers refer to www.vacuubrand.com.

#### **Spare parts:**

Device fuse (slow blow fuse 8A 250V)	612374
Silencer G 1/2"	642473
Set of seals for ME 16 NT VARIO	
(diaphragms and valves)	696819
Set of seals for MD 12 NT VARIO, MV 10 NT VARIO	
(diaphragms, valves and O-rings)	696827

# Troubleshooting

Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
☐ No display.	➡ Electrical power cord not plugged in, electri- cal supply failure?	✓ Plug in power cord. Check fuse.
	→ Device fuse blown?	✓ Identify cause of failure. Replace device fuse.
	Controller CVC 3000 or pump NT VARIO / switched off?	✓ Switch on controller and/ or pump.
	→ VACUU • BUS cable between pump and controller not plugged in at controller?	✓ Plug in VACUU • BUS cable at CVC 3000 controller.
	Other than above mentioned causes?	✓ Contact local distributor.
☐ Display disappears.	→ Too much load (e.g., valves) connected?	✓ Check current draw of the connected devices.
	Short circuit at connected valves?	✓ Replace valves.
	→ Short circuit at the RS 232 plug?	✓ Check plug and cable.
	Other than above mentioned causes?	✓ Contact local distributor.
Pressure reading incorrect.	Pressure transducer decalibrated?	✓ Readjust VSK 3000.
	→ Humidity in the measurement chamber?	✓ Let the pressure trans- ducer dry, e.g., by pump- ing. Readjust if neces- sary. Determine and eliminate the cause for humidity.
	Pressure transducer contaminated?	✓ See "Cleaning the pres- sure transducer".
	Other than above mentioned causes?	✓ Contact local distributor.
☐ Digital pressure reading is flashing, display shows "0.0".	Pressure transducer not correctly adjusted under vacuum?	✓ Adjust VSK 3000 cor- rectly.

Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
☐ No digital pressure reading.	Pressure transducer defective?	✓ Contact local distributor.
☐ Digital pressure reading is flashing, one blip*.	→ Overpressure at the pressure transducer pressure > 795 Torr (1060 mbar)?	Release pressure immediately (risk of bursting).
Warning triangle and black valve symbol are flash- ing, two blips*.	External venting valve removed or defective?	✓ Connect valve or replace with a new one or reconfigure without valve.
□ Warning triangle and valve symbol are flashing, three blips*.	NT VARIO pump and in-line valve connected?	✓ Disconnect in-line valve; switch controller off/on to reconfigure.
□ Warning triangle and coolant valve symbol are flash- ing, four blips*.	→ Coolant valve removed or defective?	✓ Check connection cable of the valve; or use new valve or reconfigure with- out valve.
□ Warning triangle and pump symbol are flashing, six blips*.	NT VARIO pump and VMS** (Vacuum Man- agement System) con- nected?	✓ Remove VMS. Restart controller.
	→ Fault at the NT VARIO pump?	✓ Check pump, restart controller.
Clock symbol is flashing.	Preselected process time is over?	✓ Confirm by pressing key START/STOP.
Venting valve does not respond, valve symbol is dis- played.	→ Venting valve contami- nated?	✓ Clean valve.
□ "Vac control" function: Control stops, "arrow up" is flashing.	→ Preset maximum pres- sure exceeded?	✓ Confirm by pressing key START/STOP. Change maximum pressure value if necessary.
☐ "Pump down" function: Control stops, "arrow down" is flashing.	→ Pressure below preset minimum pressure?	✓ Confirm by pressing key START/STOP. Change minimum pressure value if necessary.
☐ Controller does not respond when pressing keys (ex- cept ON/OFF). PC symbol is dis- played.	→ Controller in remote mode?	✓ Control CVC 3000 via interface or switch off remote mode.

Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
<ul> <li>Controller does not respond when operating any keys.</li> <li>No change after switching off/on.</li> </ul>		✓ Contact local distributor.
□ Pump does not start or stops im- mediately. Warning triangle and pump symbol are flash- ing.	→ Pump has been exposed to condensate?	✓ Allow pump to run for some minutes at maxi- mum speed with atmo- spheric pressure at the inlet.
	Overpressure in outlet line?	✓ Remove blockage in line, open valve.
	→ Motor overloaded?	✓ Allow motor to cool down, identify and eliminate cause of failure. Manual reset is necessary. Switch off pump or unplug.
☐ Pump does not achieve its ultimate vacuum or usual pumping speed.	Centring ring at small flange connection not correctly positioned, or leak in the pipeline or vacuum system?	✓ Check pump directly - connect VSK 3000 di- rectly at pump inlet - then check connection, pipe- line and vacuum system if necessary.
	Wrong setting at controller?	✓ Select function "Pump down" with speed set to "HI" and check again.
	→ Long, narrow vacuum line?	✓ Use lines with larger diameter, length as short as possible.
	▶ Pump has been exposed to condensate?	✓ Allow pump to run for some minutes with atmo- spheric pressure at the inlet to purge.
	Deposits have been formed inside the pump?	Clean and inspect the pump heads.
	Diaphragms or valves damaged?	✓ Replace diaphragms and/ or valves.
	Outgassing substances or vapor generated in the process?	✓ Check process parameters.

Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
☐ Pump does not achieve its ultimate vacuum or usual pumping speed.	→ Pressure below "Mini- mum" in Auto mode?	✓ Change switch off pres- sure ("Minimum") if neces- sary.
	→ Pump too hot?	Allow pump to cool down. Determine and eliminate the cause of overheating.
☐ Pump too noisy.	Atmospheric or high pressure at the pump inlet?	✓ Connect hose or silencer to pump outlet. Be careful not to cause outlet over- pressure, especially with condensable vapors.
	Diaphragm crack or diaphragm clamping disc loose?	✓ Perform maintenance.
	Other than above mentioned causes?	✓ Contact local distributor.
☐ Pump seized.		✓ Contact local distributor.

<sup>\*</sup> only if "Sound" "On" is selected

Note: All error messages comprising a flashing warning triangle have to be confirmed (deleted) by pressing the START/STOP key. Solve the problem (see "Remedy"), then press the START/STOP key to delete the error message.

- → A service manual with exploded view drawings, spare parts list and directions for repair is available on request.
- The service manual is intended for trained service people only.

<sup>\*\*</sup> VMS: Vacuum management system to switch non-VARIO pumps

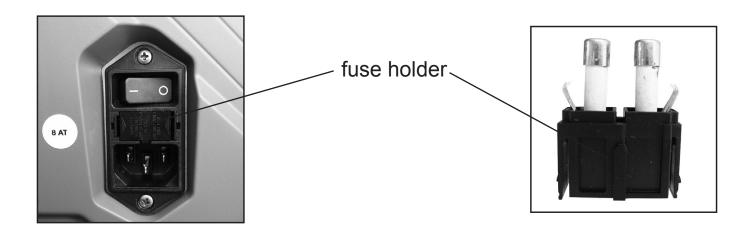
#### Replacing the device fuse



**⇒** Switch off the pump.



▶ Disconnect the electrical power cord before removing the fuse holder.
Identify and eliminate the cause of failure before switching on the pump again.



- ► Keep the snap-fits squeezed and pull the fuse holder out.
- ➡ The fuse holder contains two fuses of the same type. Replace the defective fuse by a fuse of the same type (see "Technical data", pg. 26)
- ➡ Insert the fuse holder into the housing until it snaps.

# Replacing diaphragms and valves

Please read section "Replacing diaphragms and valves" completely before starting maintenance.

The pictures may show other versions of pumps. This does not change the method of replacing diaphragms and valves.

#### **A** DANGER

Never operate the pump if covers or other parts of the pump are disassembled.



- ➡ Before starting maintenance, disconnect the electrical power cord. Wait two minutes after isolating the equipment from AC power to allow the capacitors to discharge.
- ➡ Ensure that the pump cannot be operated accidentally.
- Note: The pump might be contaminated with the process chemicals that have been pumped during operation. Ensure that the pump is decontaminated before maintenance.
- ➡ Avoid the release of pollutants.

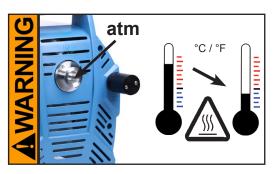
#### **AWARNING**

Never operate a defective or damaged pump.



Take adequate precautions to protect people from the effects of dangerous substances that may have contaminated the pump and may be released upon disassembly. Ensure that the maintenance technician is familiar with the safety procedures which relate to the products processed by the pumping system.

Use appropriate protective clothing, safety goggles and protective gloves.



- Allow sufficient cooling of the pump before starting maintenance.
- Vent the pump and isolate it from the vacuum system before you start maintenance. Drain condensate, if applicable.

#### NOTICE

# Ensure that maintenance is done only by suitably trained and supervised technicians.

The valves and diaphragms are wear parts. If the rated ultimate vacuum is no longer achieved or in case of increased noise level, the pump interior, the diaphragms and the valves must be cleaned and the diaphragms and valves must be checked for cracks or other damage.

All bearings are encapsulated and are filled with long-life lubricant. Under normal operating conditions, the drive system is maintenance free.

In demanding circumstances, it may be efficient to check and clean the pump heads on a regular basis. In normal use, the lifetime of the diaphragms and valves is typically 15,000 operating hours.

- Prevent internal condensation, transfer of liquids or dust. The diaphragms and valves will be damaged if liquid is pumped in significant amount.
- Carry out maintenance frequently if the pump is exposed to corrosive media or in case of deposits.
- Regular maintenance will improve the lifetime of the pump and also protect both users and the environment.

Set of seals for ME 16 NT VARIO	.696819
(diaphragms and valves)	
Set of seals for MD 12 NT VARIO, MV 10 NT VARIO	.696827
(diaphragms, valves and O-rings)	
Diaphragm key (w/f 66)	.636554

- Service only one side of the pump at a time to avoid the mixing of parts.
- In case, support the pump appropriately.



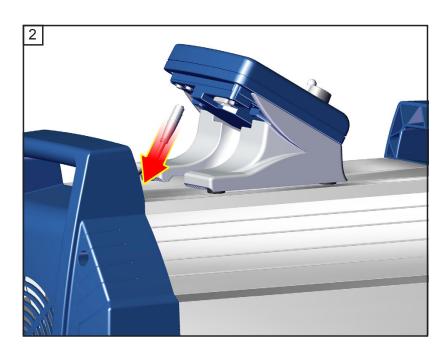
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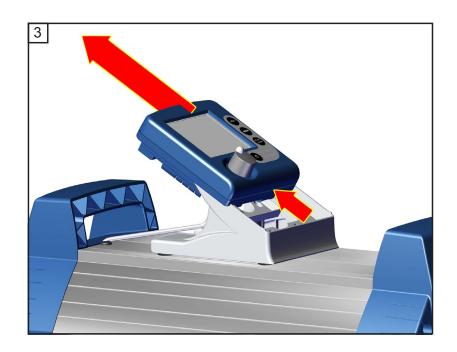
- 3 / 4 / 5 mm wide Allen key
- 2.5 mm wide slotted screwdriver

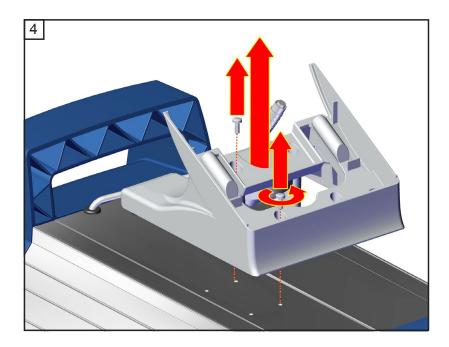
- Flat pliers
- Phillips screwdriver size 1 / 2 •
- Diaphragm key width 66 mm

### Disassembling the pump housing









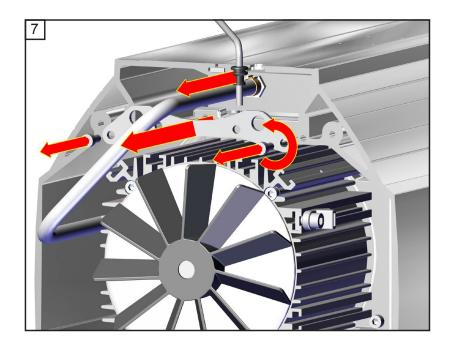


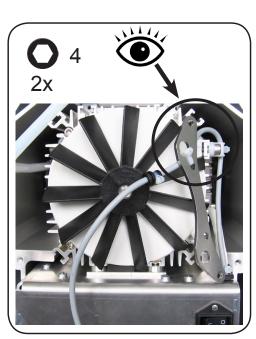


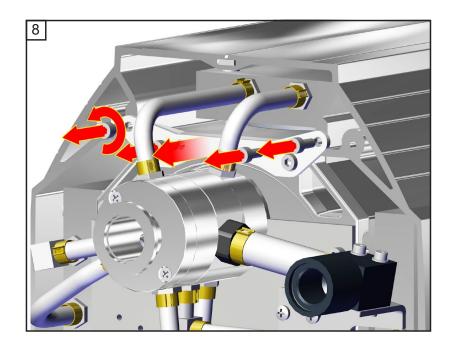


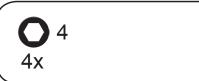


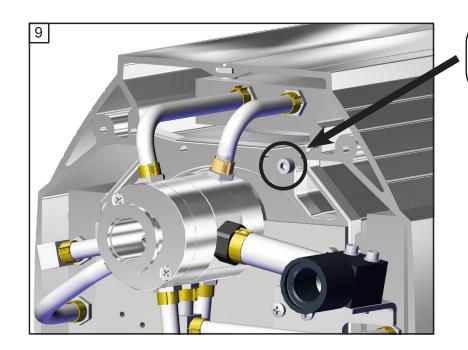




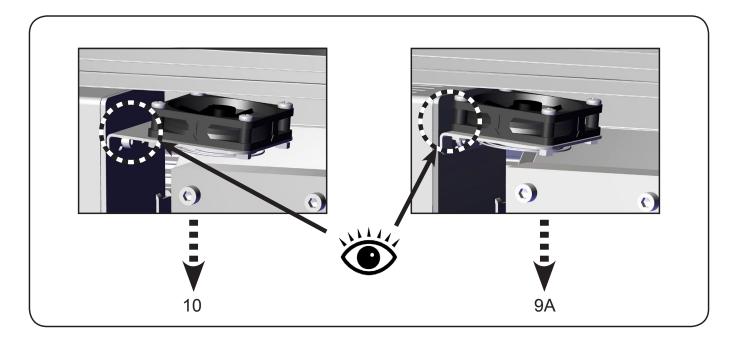


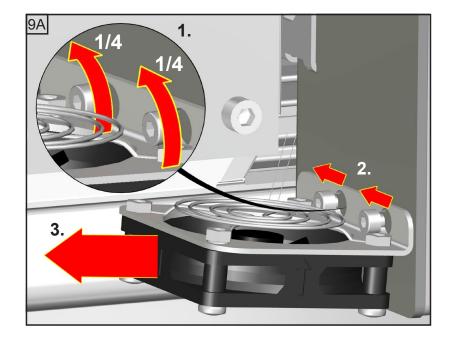


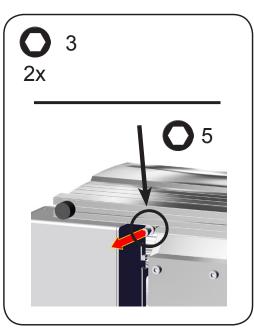


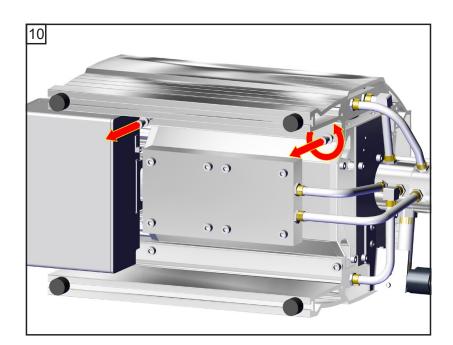


Don't loosen this screw!

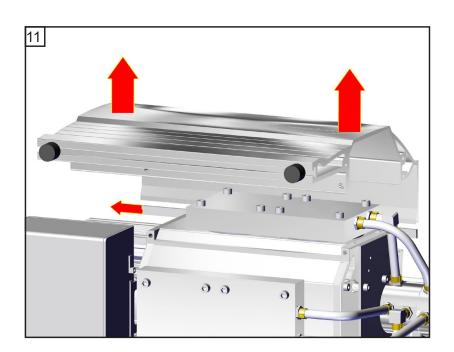


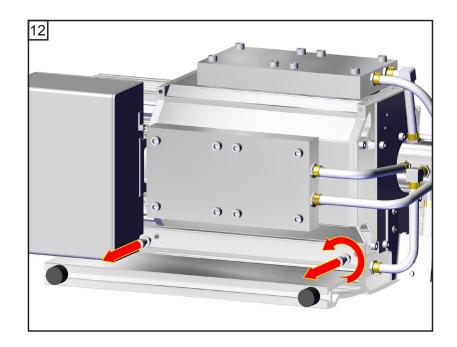




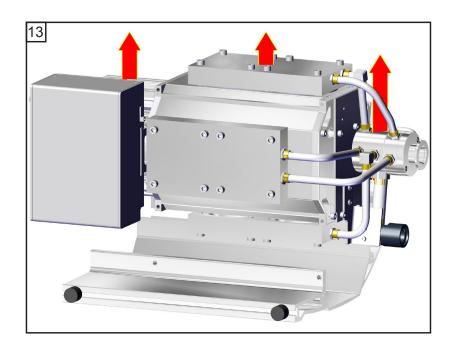


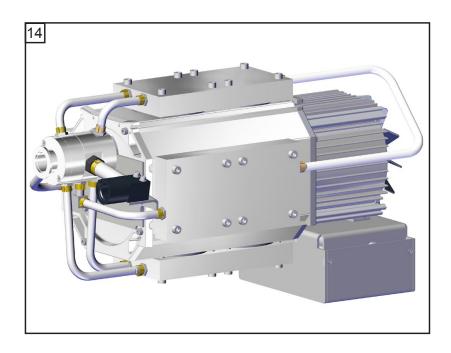








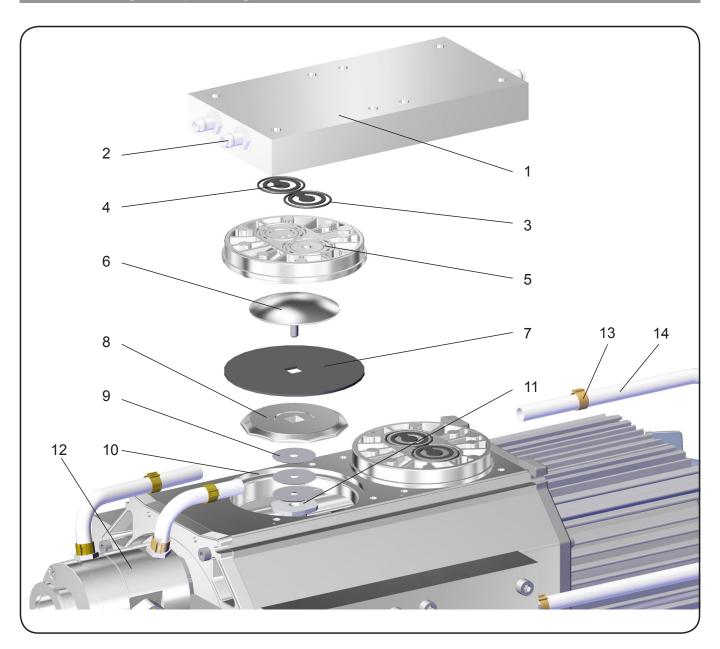






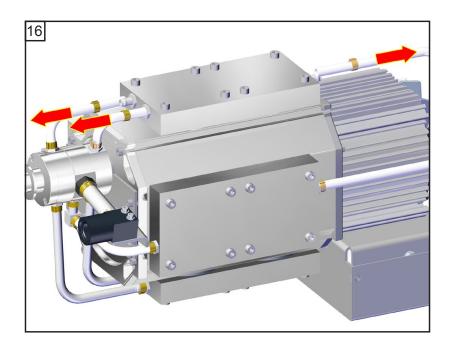


# Checking diaphragms and valves

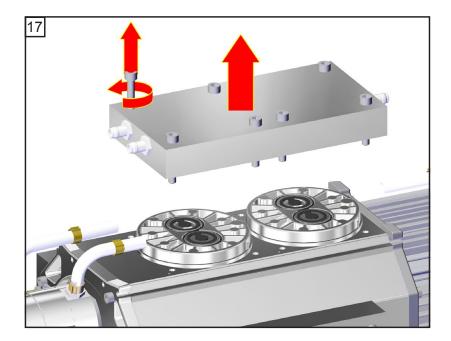


Position	Component
1	Housing cover
2	Fitting
3	O-rings
4	Valves
5	Head cover
6	Diaphragm clamping disc with square head screw
7	Diaphragm

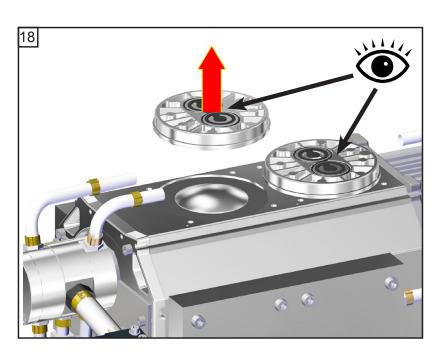
Position	Component
8	Diaphragm support disc
9	Washers
10	Housing
11	Connecting rod
12	Distributor
13	Hose clip
14	PTFE tube

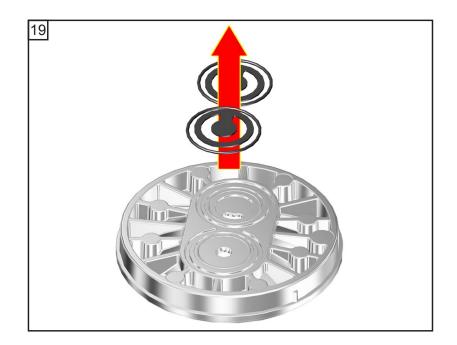




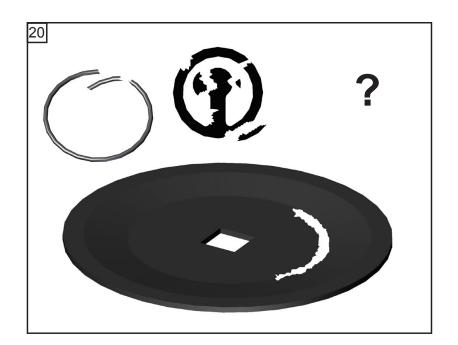




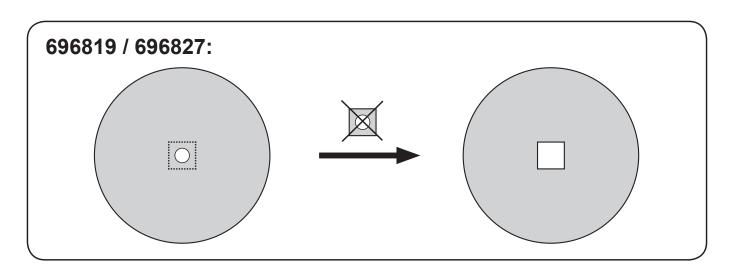


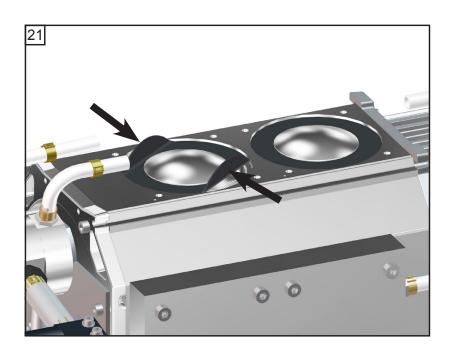


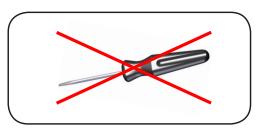


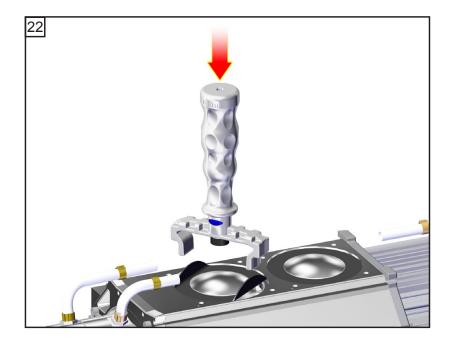




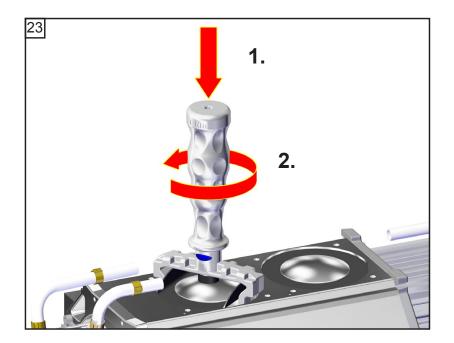


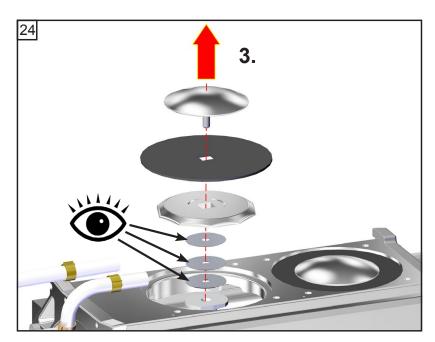




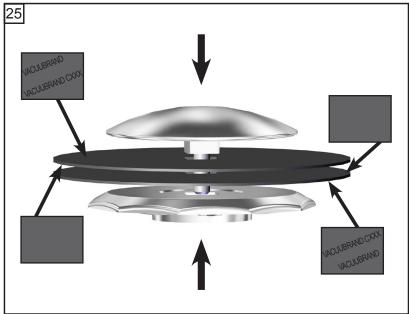


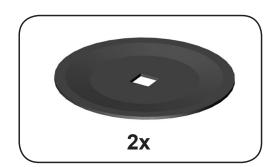




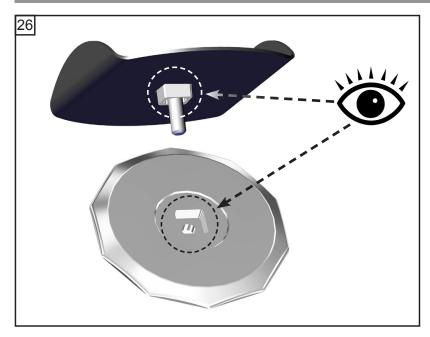


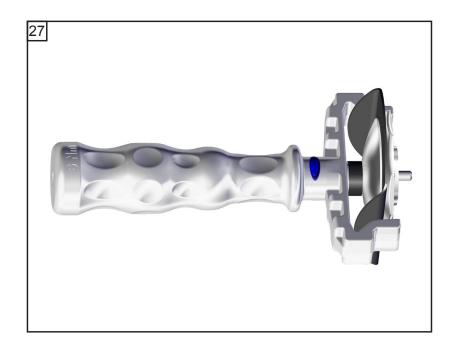
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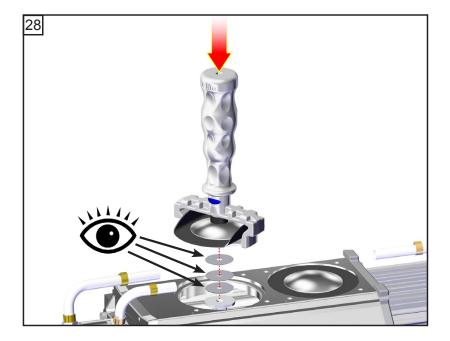


## Assembling the pump head

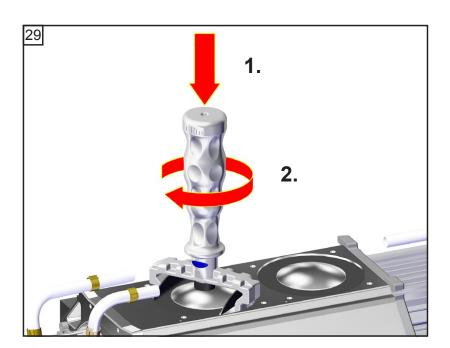






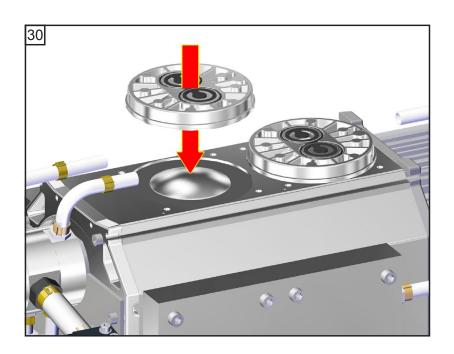


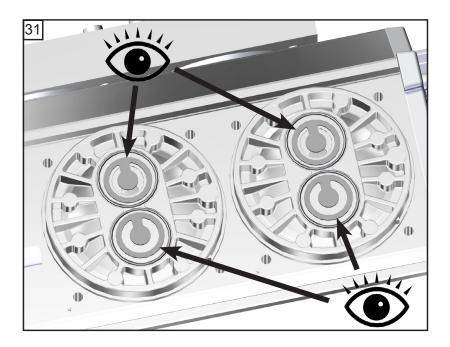
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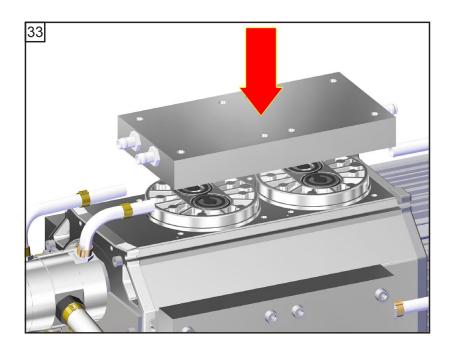
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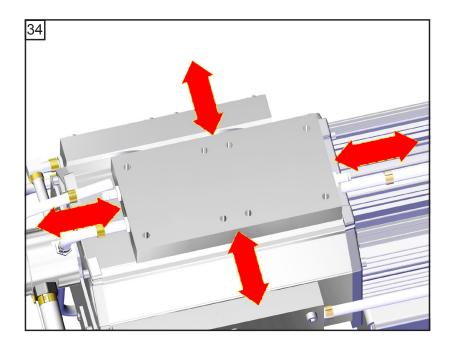
It is recommended to use a torque wrench. Attach torque wrench to diaphragm key (hexagonal bolt 6 mm wide).

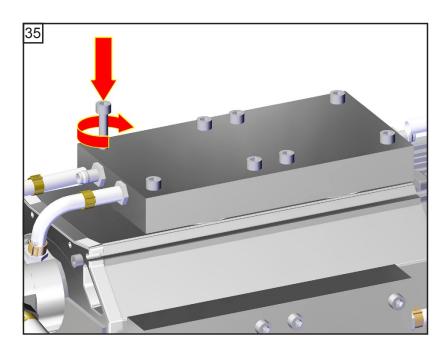








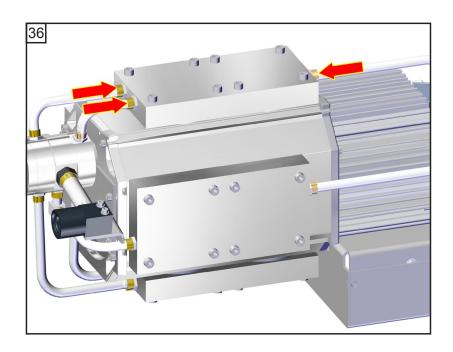


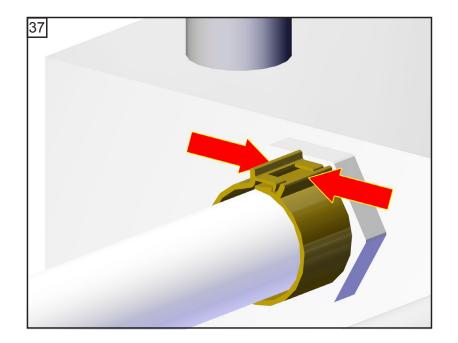




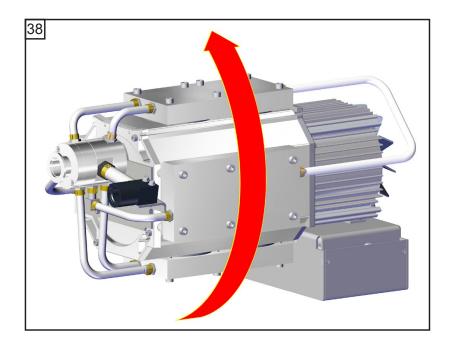
Screw in diagonally at first slightly, then tighten.

8.9 ft.lbf (12 Nm)

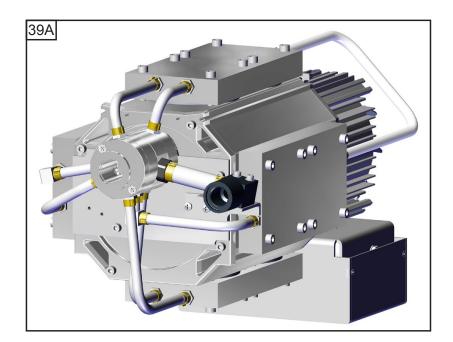




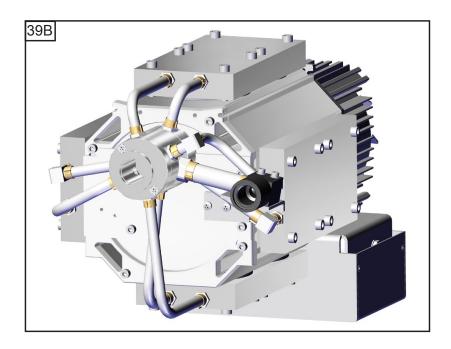




Maintain all pump heads in the same way.

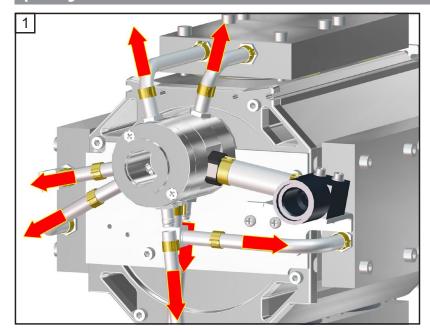


MD 12 NT VARIO MV 10 NT VARIO

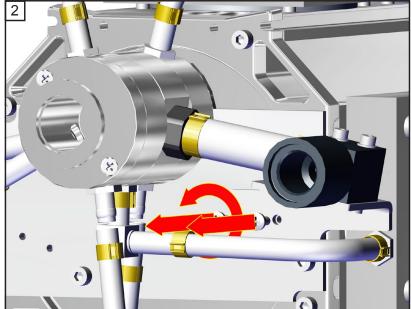


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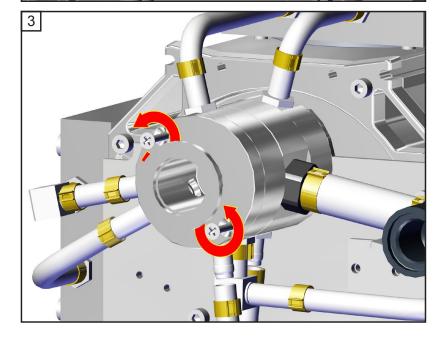
# Replacing the valve at the distributor (only MD 12 NT VARIO)



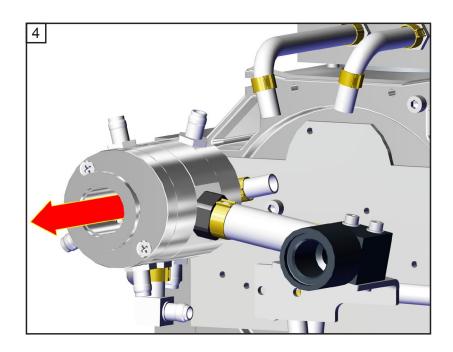


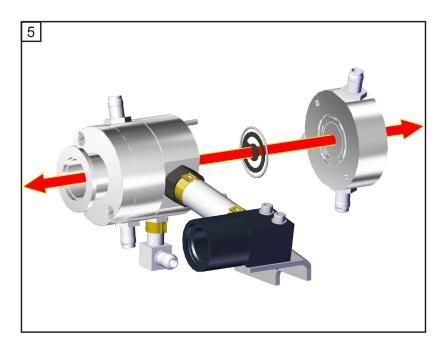


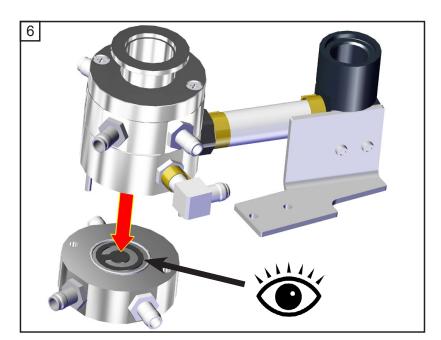


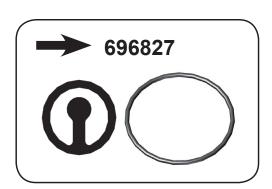


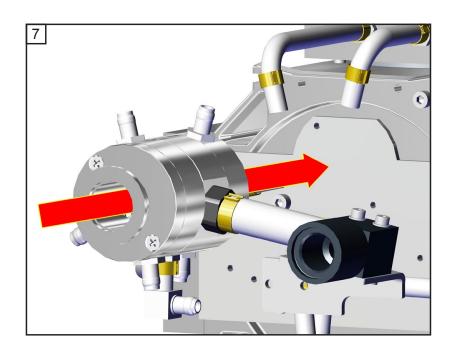


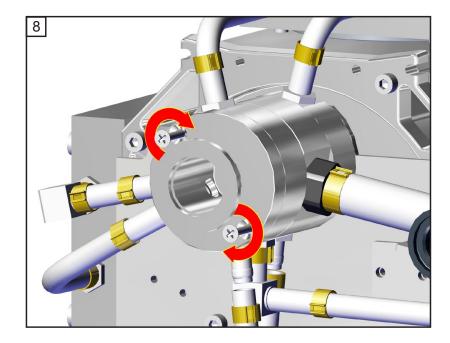




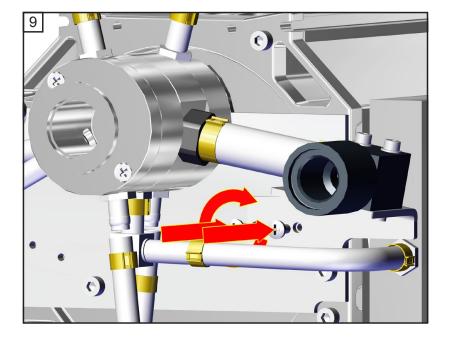




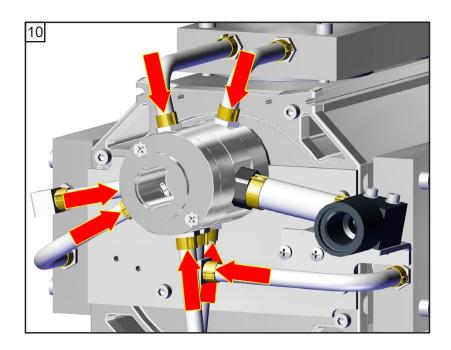


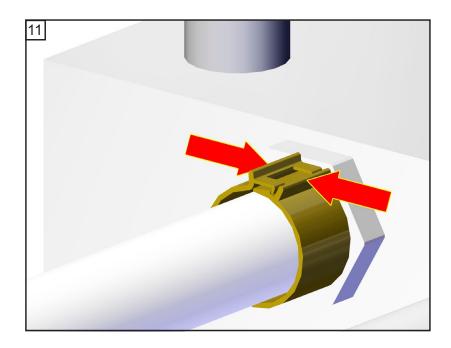














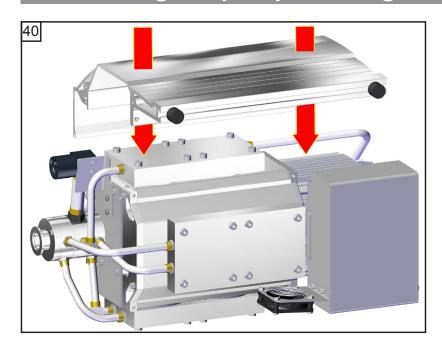
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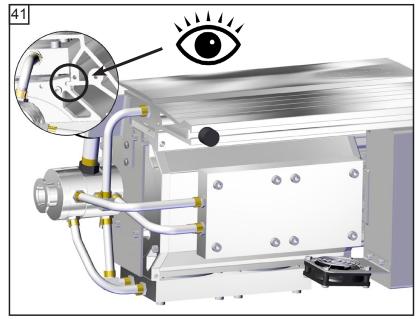
Do not operate the pump without pump housing!

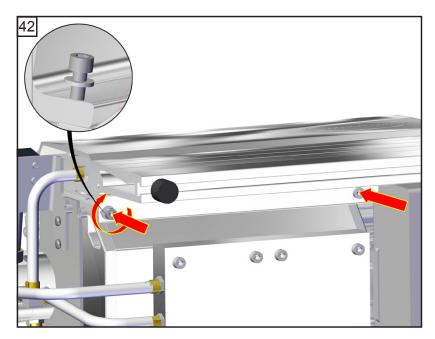
Danger due to freely rotating fan!

Risk of overheating due to missing cooling air guide.

# Assembling the pump housing



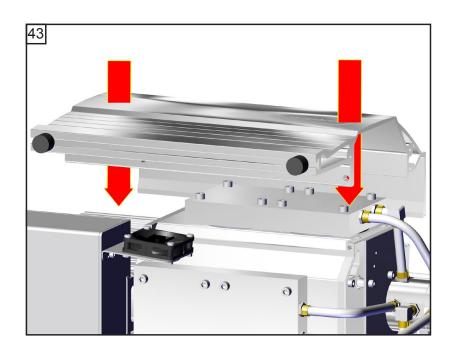


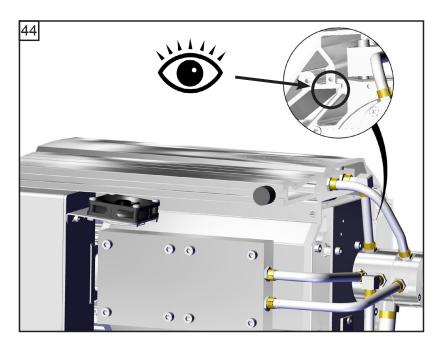


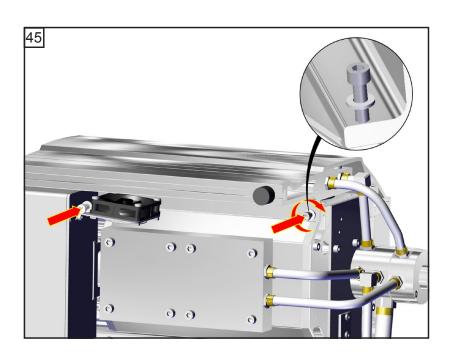
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8.9 ft.lbf (12 Nm)

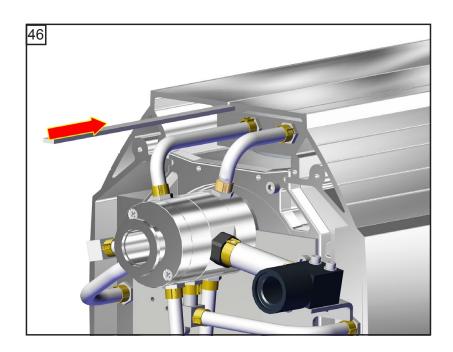


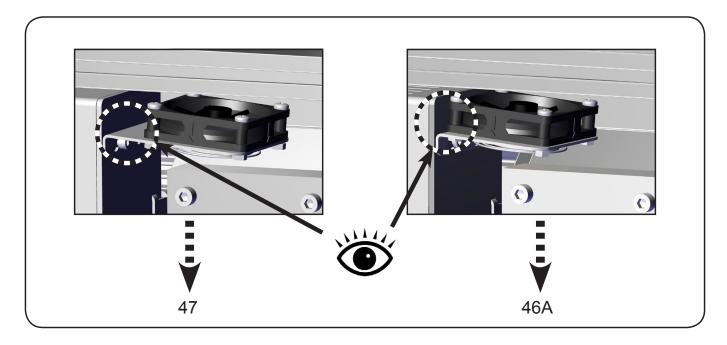


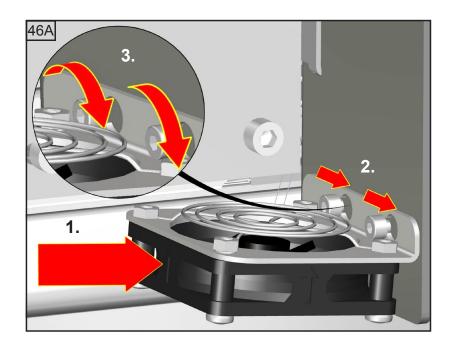




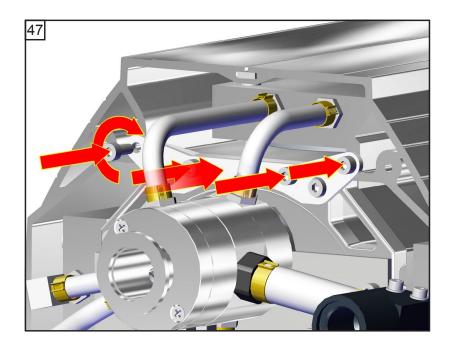
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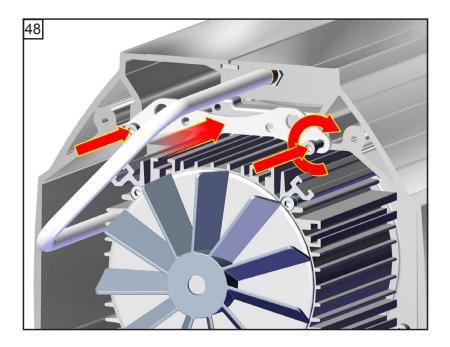


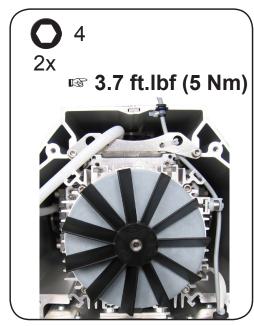


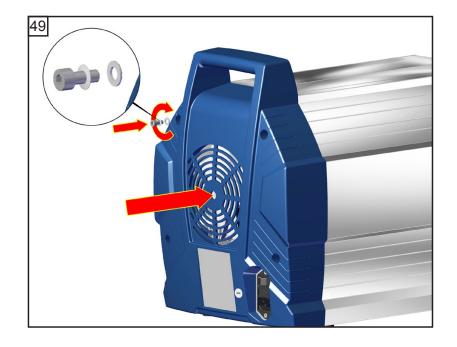


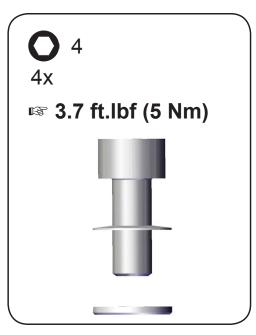


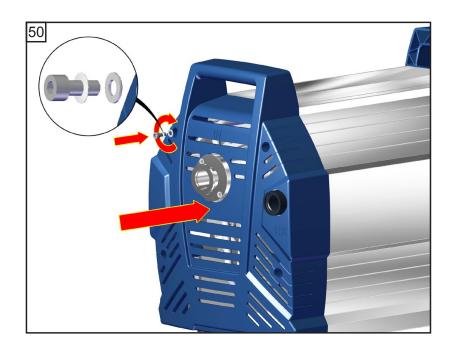
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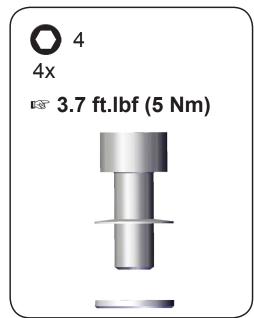


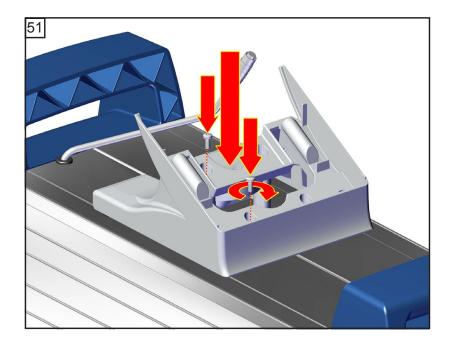




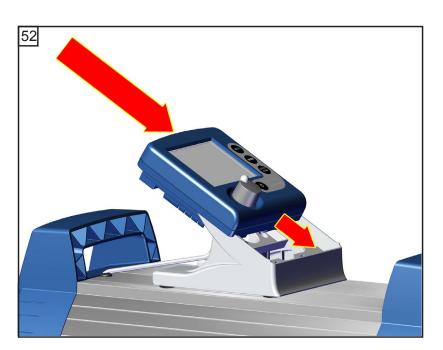


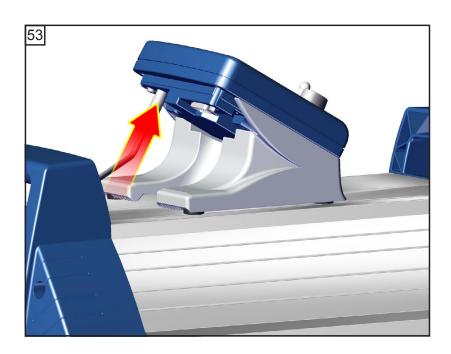














## Checking the ultimate vacuum

→ After any intervention at the equipment (e.g., repair / maintenance) the ultimate vacuum of the pump has to be checked. Only if the pump achieves its specified ultimate vacuum, the pump's leak rate is low enough to ensure that no explosive atmospheres will occur in the interior of the equipment.

After any intervention at the vacuum sensor the leak rate of the equipment has to be checked.

### If the pump does not achieve the ultimate vacuum:

- Whenever the diaphragms and valves have been replaced, a break-in period of several hours is required before the pump achieves its ultimate vacuum.
- In case of an unusual noise, switch off pump immediately and check clamping disc positions.

If the specified ultimate vacuum is not achieved, and if this does not change after the break-in period:

Check hose connectors at pump heads for leaks. If necessary recheck valve seats and pump chambers.

# Notes on return to the factory

## Repair - return - DAkkS calibration

#### NOTICE

Safety and health of our staff, laws and regulations regarding the handling of dangerous goods, occupational health and safety regulations and regulations regarding safe disposal of waste require that for all pumps and other products, the "Health and safety clearance form", pg. 124, must be sent to our office fully completed and signed before any equipment is shipped to the authorized service center.

Fax or mail a completed copy of the health and safety clearance form to us in advance. The declaration must arrive before the equipment. **Enclose a second completed copy with the product**. If the equipment is contaminated, you must notify the carrier.

No repair / DAkkS calibration is possible unless the correctly completed form is returned. Inevitably, there will be a delay in processing the equipment if information is missing, or if this procedure is not followed.

## **ACAUTION**

If the product has come in contact with chemicals, radioactive substances or other substances dangerous to health or environment, the product must be decontaminated **prior to sending it back to the service center**.

- Return the product to us disassembled and cleaned and accompanied by a certificate verifying decontamination or
- Contact an industrial cleaning and decontamination service directly or
- Authorize us to send the product to an industrial cleaning facility **at your expense**.

To expedite repair and to reduce costs, please enclose a detailed description of the problem and the product's operating conditions with every product returned for repair.

We submit **repair quotations** only on request and always at the customer's expense. If an order is placed, the costs incurred for problem diagnosis are offset from the costs for repair or from the purchase price, if the customer prefers to buy a new product instead of repairing the defective one.

- If you do not wish a repair on the basis of our quotation, the equipment may be returned to you disassembled and at your expense.

In many cases, the **components must be cleaned in the factory** prior to repair.

For cleaning we use an environmentally friendly water-based process. Unfortunately the combined attack of elevated temperature, cleaning agent, ultrasonic treatment and mechanical stress (from pressurized water) may result in damage to the paint. Please mark in the health and safety clearance form if you wish a **repaint at your expense** just in case such a damage should occur.

We will also replace parts for cosmetic reasons at your request and at your expense.

## NOTICE

Before returning the equipment, ensure that (if applicable):

- Oil sealed pumps: Oil has been drained. Dispose according to regulations.
- Equipment has been cleaned and/or decontaminated (inside and outside).
- All inlet and outlet ports have been capped.
- Equipment has been properly packed, (if necessary, please order original packaging materials at your cost), marked appropriately and the carrier has been notified of any possible contamination.
- The completed health and safety clearance form is enclosed.

We thank you in advance for your understanding of the necessity for these measures that protect our employees, and ensure that your pump is protected in shipment.

## Scrapping and waste disposal:

Dispose of the equipment and any components removed from it safely in accordance with all local and national safety and environmental requirements. Particular care must be taken with components and waste oil which have been contaminated with dangerous substances from your processes. Do not incinerate fluoroelastomer seals and O-rings.

- You may authorize us to dispose of the equipment at your expense.

# Warranty

VACUUBRAND shall be liable for insuring that this product, including any agreed installation, has been free of defects at the time of the transfer of risk.

VACUUBRAND shall not be liable for the consequences of improper handling, use, servicing or operation of this product or the consequences of normal wear and tear of wearing parts such as diaphragms, seals, valves, vanes, condensers, oil and the breakage of glass or ceramic parts, for the consequences of chemical, electrochemical or electrical influences or the failure to follow the instructions in this manual.

Claims for defects against VACUUBRAND shall be limited to one year from delivery. The same shall apply to claims for damages irrespective of legal grounds.

For further information on general terms and conditions refer to www.vacuubrand.com.

# Health and safety clearance form



Devices will not be accepted for any handling before we have received this declaration. Please read and comply with "Notes on return to the factory".

Oil filled pumps: Drain oil prior to shipping absolutely!

Reason for return / malfunction:			
		□ yes	□ no
5. Substances (gases, liquids, solids) in contact with the device / which have been pumped:			
		□ yes	□ no
Description of the decontamination method and the t	est / verification procedure:		
		□ yes	
Protective measures required for VACUUBRAND em	ployees:		
If the paint is damaged, we wish a repaint or a replace			(repaint
10.Legally binding declaration  We assure for the returned device that all substances, which have been in contact with the device are listed in section 5 and that the information is complete and that we have not withheld any information. We declare that all measures - where applicable - have been taken listed in section "Return to the factory". By our signature below, we acknowledge that we accept liability for any damage caused by providing incomplete or incorrect information and that we shall indemnify VACUUBRAND from any claims as regards damages from third parties. We are aware that as expressed in § 823 BGB (Public Law Code of Germany) we are directly liable for injuries or damages suffered by third parties, particularly VACUUBRAND employees occupied with handling/repairing the product.  Shipping of the device must take place according to regulations.			
Name:	Signature:		
Job title:	Company's seal:		
Date:			
Release for repair grant by VACUUBRAND (date / signature):			
	Reason for return / malfunction:  Has the device been used in a copper process step ( Substances (gases, liquids, solids) in contact with the  Brior to return to the factory the device has been decopescription of the decontamination method and the to  The device is free of hazardous, harmful substances.  Protective measures required for VACUUBRAND em  If the paint is damaged, we wish a repaint or a replace and replacement at customer's expense).  Legally binding declaration  We assure for the returned device that all substances listed in section 5 and that the information is complete declare that all measures - where applicable - have be By our signature below, we acknowledge that we accomplete or incorrect information and that we shall in damages from third parties. We are aware that as expensely we are directly liable for injuries or damages semployees occupied with handling/repairing the prodes Shipping of the device must take place according to remaining the prodes.  Job title:	Reason for return / malfunction:  Has the device been used in a copper process step (e.g., semiconductor production).  Substances (gases, liquids, solids) in contact with the device / which have been pumpled.  Prior to return to the factory the device has been decontaminated.  Description of the decontamination method and the test / verification procedure:  The device is free of hazardous, harmful substances.  Protective measures required for VACUUBRAND employees:  If the paint is damaged, we wish a repaint or a replacement of parts for reason of appart replacement at customer's expense).  Legally binding declaration  We assure for the returned device that all substances, which have been in contact will listed in section 5 and that the information is complete and that we have not withheld declare that all measures - where applicable - have been taken listed in section "Returned device that all measures in Section "Returned device or incorrect information and that we shall indemnify VACUUBRAND from an damages from third parties. We are aware that as expressed in § 823 BGB (Public Le many) we are directly liable for injuries or damages suffered by third parties, particula employees occupied with handling/repairing the product.  Shipping of the device must take place according to regulations.  Name: Signature:  Job title: Company's seal:	Has the device been used in a copper process step (e.g., semiconductor production).    yes

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#### EG-Konformitätserklärung für Maschinen EC Declaration of Conformity of the Machinery Déclaration CE de conformité des machines

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Hiermit erklärt der Hersteller, dass die Maschine konform ist mit den Bestimmungen der Richtlinie 2006/42/EG. Hereby the manufacturer declares that the machinery is in conformity with the directive 2006/42/EC.

Par la présente, le fabricant déclare, que la machine est conforme à directive 2006/42/CE.

Membranvakuumpumpe / Diaphragm vacuum pump / Pompe à membrane:
Typ / Type / Type: ME 16 NT VARIO / MD 12 NT VARIO / MV 10 NT VARIO
Artikelnummer / Order number / Numéro d'article: 2615296 / 743100 / 744100, 744101, 744102
Seriennummer / Serial number / Numéro de série: Siehe Typenschild / See rating plate / Voir plaque signalétique

Die Maschine ist konform mit weiteren Richtlinien / The machinery is in conformity with other directives / La machine est conforme à d'autres directives: 2006/95/EG, 2004/108/EG, 94/9/EG

Angewandte harmonisierte Normen / Harmonized standards applied / Normes harmonisées utilisées:

DIN EN 12100:2011, DIN EN 61010-1:2010 (Ed. 3), DIN EN 1012-2:2011, DIN EN 1127-1:2011, DIN EN 13463-1:2009, DIN EN 61326-1:2013: 230V: Klasse / classe A + B

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