REDURA® PISTON SEALING SYSTEMS
HETEROGENEOUS SYSTEMS FOR LOWEST LIFE CYCLE COSTS

Compressors for a Lifetime®
REDURA® PISTON SEALING SYSTEMS

DECADES OF EXPERIENCE IN HIGH-PERFORMANCE SEALING SYSTEMS

BURCKHARDT COMPRESSION

As a compressor OEM with more than 170 years of experience, Burckhardt Compression has been setting standards for piston packings and packing rings for decades. Patented designs developed in-house and extensive material research are the perfect recipe for unique high-performance piston sealing systems. This vast in-house tribology and material know-how forms the basis for the comprehensive product line Redura® for rings and packings.

REDURA® PISTON SEALING SYSTEMS

Heterogeneous sealing system designs assure perfect sealing for every compression mode:
- Double acting
- Single acting
- Dual acting

The respective pressure components have a major influence on the design of an efficient piston sealing system.

The importance of the different pressure components and load conditions has led to the development of heterogeneous sealing systems to provide optimal sealing performance and lowest life cycle costs.

OPTIMIZED SEALING PERFORMANCE

With Redura® Burckhardt Compression provides a comprehensive product line of rings & packings for reciprocating compressors. It stands for reliable, durable and advanced sealing elements. The product line includes standard rings & packings as well as specifically in-house developed, designed and patented products. Redura® rings & packings are characterized by
- Longest MTBO (mean time between overhaul) at lowest leakage
- Highest availability
- Lowest life cycle costs

Piston sealing systems consist of an elaborate combination of different piston rings and rider rings. The meticulous combination based on the heterogeneous system approach allows each ring to fully deploy its optimum sealing efficiency while reducing wear to a minimum.
HIGH-PERFORMANCE SEALING SYSTEMS
FOR EVERY APPLICATION

APPLICATIONS
– Upstream oil & gas
– Gas transport & storage
– Refinery
– Petrochemical/Chemical industry
– Industrial gases
– Food & beverage industry
– Wood & charcoal industry
– Mining industry
– Power stations
– Hydro-electric power plants
– Nuclear power plants

GASES
– Hydrogen, nitrogen, argon, helium
– Hydrocarbons, ethylene, ethylene oxides
– Chlorine, ammonia
– Air, oxygen
– Nitrous oxides, carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide
– Hydrogen sulfide, hydrogen chloride, sulfur hexafluorides, vinyl chlorides

COMPRESSOR DESIGNS AND SIZES
– Lubricated and non-lubricated
– Cooled and non-cooled
– Double acting, single acting and dual acting
– Horizontal, vertical and inclined
– Cylinder diameters up to 1'200 mm (47.24 in)
REDURA® PISTON & RIDER RING SYSTEMS
CAREFUL SELECTION, COMBINATION AND ARRANGEMENT MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Double Acting Pistons

- The piston sealing elements are only subject to the dynamic pressure component varying between the suction and discharge pressure.
- The static pressure component is omitted due to the identical suction pressure at both ends of the piston.
- For challenging applications like double acting compression of hydrogen, sealing rings with improved sealing efficiency are recommended; this ensures longer life and sustained efficiency.
- Robust piston rings are used to protect the true sealing rings from high dynamic pressure.

Single Acting Pistons

- Single acting pistons are typically subject to combinations of static and dynamic pressure components.
- The distribution of the two pressure components among various sealing elements can be used to optimize a sealing system by employment of different designs, each possessing the most favorable properties for handling a particular pressure component.
- Robust sealing elements, such as piston rings with a scarf joint or retained piston rings, in the vicinity of the compression chamber to withstand the dynamic pressure component.
- Gastight sealing rings for handling the static pressure.

Dual Acting Pistons

- Dual acting pistons compress gas alternately in both compression chambers (head end and crank end), but not to the same final pressure.
- The different volumes of compression chambers may be used for realizing two different compression stages with a single piston. The lower compression stage at the head end side and the higher compression stage at the crank end side.
- The asymmetric load on either side poses challenges for the optimal ring design and arrangement on the piston. A heterogeneous sealing system based on different designs has shown best results in practice.
REDURA® PISTON SEALING SYSTEMS
PUSHING THE LIMITS

PG 900

PS 420

RIDER RING

SEALING RINGS
# REDURA® PISTON & RIDER RINGS

FORMING THE WINNING TEAM OF RINGS

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<td>Solid pressure breaker for single acting compression of gases with low molecular weight</td>
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<td>• 2-piece, scarf joint ring</td>
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<td>• Up to 250 mm (9.84 in) cylinder bore diameter</td>
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<td>• Lubricated systems</td>
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<td>• Single acting compression of gases with low molecular weight (hydrogen)</td>
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<td>• End pressure above 150 bara (2180 psia)</td>
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<td>SPECIFIC PROPERTIES</td>
<td>• Combined with retained piston rings, e.g. Redura® PB 300 for optimized sealing systems</td>
<td>• Wear-free after running in</td>
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<td>• Additional sealing function</td>
<td>• Combined with true sealing elements, e.g. Redura® PS 420 for optimized sealing systems</td>
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**LEAKAGE TIGHTNESS RATING**

Minimum: ★

Maximum: ★★★★★
### Description

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<td><strong>Very robust sealing element preferred for lubricated systems and gas with high molecular weight</strong></td>
<td><strong>Classical piston ring with specially designed, robust step-cut joint</strong></td>
<td><strong>Extremely robust ring design for single acting compression of gases with high molecular weight</strong></td>
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| • Classical scarf joint piston ring  
  • Dual use:  
    - As pressure breaker (to withstand the dynamic pressure component)  
    - As piston sealing element, to handle static pressure and seal the gas within the cylinder | • Piston sealing element, to handle static pressure and seal the gas within the compression chamber | • Twin piston ring R-type  
  • In-house developed  
  • High efficient piston sealing element, to handle static pressure and seal the gas within the compression chamber |
| • 1-piece, scarf joint  
  • Up to 1'200 mm (47.24 in) cylinder bore diameter (tension rings for PTFE materials starting from 500 mm (19.69 in) cylinder bore diameter) | • 1-piece, step-cut joint  
  • Up to 1'200 mm (47.24 in) cylinder bore diameter (tension rings for PTFE materials starting from 500 mm (19.69 in) cylinder bore diameter) | • Combination of sealing ring and cover ring  
  • Up to 350 mm (13.78 in) cylinder bore diameter  
  • Gastight |
| • Dry running systems  
  • Lubricated systems  
  • Preferred use: lubricated systems for gas with higher molecular weight  
  • Single and double acting  
  • Max. pressure 560 bara (8'120 psia; non-metallic), as true sealing element | • Dry running systems  
  • Lubricated systems  
  • Single and double acting  
  • Gases with low molecular weight | • Dry running systems  
  • Lubricated systems  
  • Single acting compression of gases with high molecular weight |
| • Very robust  
  • Easy to assemble  
  • Special arrangement on piston with alternating joint orientation  
  • Economic solution | • Special shape of step-cut joint to prevent failure by fracture  
  • Combined with pressure breaker, e.g. Redura® PS 110 for optimized sealing systems  
  • Easy to assemble | • Improved sealing efficiency and durability  
  • Special designed cross-section of cover ring to prevent failure by fracture  
  • Leak tightness over the whole lifetime  
  • Combined with pressure breaker, e.g. Redura® PS 110 |

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  (as sealing ring): Newly installed: **  
  After extensive use: ** | **LEAKAGE TIGHTNESS RATING**  
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### SEALING RINGS

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<td>Robust ring design for double acting compression of gases with low molecular weight</td>
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| • Twin piston ring by-pass type  
• In-house developed  
• Highly efficient piston sealing element, to handle static pressure and seal the gas within the compression chamber | • Twin piston ring coupled type  
• In-house developed and patented  
• Highly efficient piston sealing element, to handle static pressure and seal the gas within the compression chamber | • Pre-tensioned multi piece sealing ring with tangential cut (TID piston ring)  
• In-house developed and patented  
• Highly efficient piston sealing element, to handle static pressure and seal the gas within the compression chamber |
| • Combination of sealing ring and cover ring with by-pass grooves  
• Up to 350 mm (13.78 in) cylinder bore diameter | • Combination of sealing ring and cover ring  
• Up to 350 mm (13.78 in) cylinder bore diameter  
• Gastight | • Combination of 3 segments tangential to the inner diameter, tension ring and base ring  
• Up to 350 mm (13.78 in) cylinder bore diameter  
• Built-up piston required |
| • Dry running systems (e.g. dry running pipeline compressors)  
• Lubricated systems  
• Double acting compression of gases with low molecular weight | • Dry running systems (e.g. dry running pipeline compressors)  
• Lubricated systems  
• Single acting compression of gases with low molecular weight | • Dry running systems only, vertical piston arrangement only, max pressure 300 bara (=4350 psia) e.g. dry running hydrogen compressors, bottle fillers)  
• Single acting compression of gases  
• High pressure differences |
| • Improved sealing efficiency and durability  
• Fewer piston rings required than standard  
• By-pass groove prevents overloading and failure by fracture  
• Leak tightness over the whole lifetime  
• Pressure distribution over several rings ensures increased lifetime  
• Combined with pressure breaker, e.g. Redura® PS 110 | • Improved sealing efficiency and durability  
• Uniform wear behaviour of both rings, ensures long term sealing efficiency  
• Formation of gaps prevented through form-fit coupling between the sealing ring and cover ring  
• Leak tightness over the whole lifetime  
• Combined with pressure breaker, e.g. Redura® PS 110 | • Improved sealing efficiency and durability  
• Leak tightness over the whole lifetime  
• Combined with retained piston rings (PB300 / PB 310) |

**LEAKAGE TIGHTNESS RATING**

Newly installed: ***  
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### RIDER RING

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<td>Advanced ring design provides reliable piston guidance, low thermal load and high durability</td>
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- Classical scarf joint rider ring

- 1-piece, scarf joint, with by-pass grooves
- Up to 1’200 mm (47.24 in) cylinder bore diameter

- Dry running systems
- Lubricated systems
- Single and double acting
  - Single acting: rider ring positioned after the piston rings
  - Double acting: rider ring positioned in between piston rings
- All gas types

- No sealing function due to by-pass grooves allows for lower friction, heat and wear

### APPLICATION

- Single and double acting
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- All gas types

### DESIGN

- 1-piece, scarf joint, with by-pass grooves
- Up to 1’200 mm (47.24 in) cylinder bore diameter

### INDIVIDUAL

**DEPENDING ON THE SPECIFIC APPLICATION, AN INDIVIDUAL SELECTION OF THESE RINGS IS COMBINED TO A HETEROGENEOUS PISTON RING ARRANGEMENT DESIGNED FOR BEST PERFORMANCE AND LOWEST LIFECYCLE COSTS.**

### MORE TYPES

**ADDITIONAL PISTON & RIDER RING TYPES IN DIFFERENT DESIGNS AND CUTS ARE AVAILABLE.**
REDURA® BURCKHARDT COMPRESSION INNOVATION
FROM THE IDEA TO THE FINISHED PRODUCT

Burckhardt Compression covers the entire production process, from system engineering and material selection based on the application requirements to the final solution. We ensure highest quality at every step of the way due to our comprehensive in-house capabilities.
«FOR OUR HIGH PRESSURE, DRY-RUNNING APPLICATION, BURCKHARDT COMPRESSION WAS ABLE TO MORE THAN DOUBLE MTBO AND INCREASE THE SEALING EFFICIENCY SUBSTANTIALLY WITH THE TAILOR-MADE REDURA® PISTON SEALING SYSTEM»

Technical Engineering Manager, Germany
APPLICATION ENGINEERING
TAILOR-MADE SYSTEM DESIGN FOR BEST PERFORMANCE

SYSTEM DESIGN

- Complete piston sealing system design
- Design solutions for every application
- Careful concept evaluation and selection based on individual specifications
- Material selection
- In-house production capabilities for all ring designs and materials

Tailor-made solutions by experienced application engineers utilizing a specifically in-house developed, highly sophisticated software program incorporating a vast range of decisive parameters based on decades of field experience.

MATERIALS

For piston sealing elements, pressure breakers, true sealing rings and rider rings, the following materials are primarily used:
- PTFE-compounds (with appropriate fillers)
- High temperature polymers (e.g. PEEK, PI with appropriate fillers)
- Polymer blends (dry running applications)
- Synthetic coals
- Own developed materials
- Bronze and sintered metals
REDURA®
RINGS & PACKINGS ARE CHARACTERIZED BY

LONGEST MTBO
(MEAN TIME BETWEEN OVERHAUL) AT LOWEST LEAKAGE

HIGHEST AVAILABILITY

LOWEST LIFE CYCLE COSTS

COMPRESSOR COMPONENTS
BEST PERFORMANCE
AND LONGEST LIFETIME

Compressor valves
Redura® rings & packings
Capacity control systems
Capital parts
Labyrinth piston compressor components
Hyper secondary compressor components

SERVICES
THE FULL RANGE

Burckhardt Valve Service
Spare parts logistics
Field service
Technical support
Revamps & upgrades
Component repair
Condition monitoring & diagnostics
Training

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