Durasorb™
Customer-Tailored Solutions for Natural Gas Treatment
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Durasorb is our innovation platform for the natural gas processing industry. Durasorb is a customer-tailored solution that combines superior adsorbents with BASF’s expert designs. The new technology uses proprietary design software to calculate the performance of the adsorbents in all parts of the vessel and maximize the overall performance and life of the bed. Based on design calculations, BASF natural gas experts choose the ideal combination of adsorbents out of the comprehensive BASF portfolio. The resulting installation ensures more efficient removal of contaminants and solves regeneration-reflux problems.

**Figure 1 BASF Products for Natural Gas Treatment**

![Diagram of BASF products for natural gas treatment](image)

1. **Durasorb HG**: Non-regenerable, mixed metal oxide adsorbent for Hg levels <0.01 µg/Nm³
2. **Durasorb RSH**: Regenerable adsorbent for mercaptans to ppm levels
3. **Durasorb HC**: Regenerable adsorbent for heavy hydrocarbons (C6+) to ppm levels
4. **Durasorb BTX**: Regenerable adsorbent for BTX levels <1 ppm
5. **Durasorb Dehy**: Combination bed design for water dew point control levels <0.1 ppm

**Durasorb HD** is resistant to liquid water and maintains mechanical stability, increasing water uptake capacity, resulting in reduced bed size or higher gas throughput. Increased bed lifetime results in higher utilization.

Durasorb HR is developed to withstand harsh conditions found in fast-cycling dehydraters often seen in Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) applications. This innovative material produces significantly less fines after 600 cycle test.

**BASF Offers the Full Portfolio**

Based on the long and successful history of BASF Sorbead® for hydrocarbon and water dewpoint control, BASF Durasorb products are designed to work together to provide optimum solutions for the most difficult gas processing conditions, including retrofit of existing units.

**Customized Design Combines BASF Products Into a Single Solution**

Durasorb Dehy is the combination of two BASF products into a single solution to capitalize on the benefits from each product:

1. **Durasorb HD** (High Durability): water resistant adsorbent
2. **Durasorb HR** (High Resistant): reflux resistant molecular sieve

Innovative technology in both the HD and HR layers provide benefits to the plant:

- Extended bedlife
- Reduced coking
- Elimination of hydrothermal damage

Durasorb HD is 100% resistant to liquid water and maintains mechanical stability even in liquid water carryover conditions.

**Innovative Technology Solves the Regeneration Reflux Problem**

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**Support and Services**

BASF supports its customers in the design and operation of gas treatment plants by providing process design and engineering support and a range of technical services such as debottlenecking and process optimization, troubleshooting and revamps, analytics, and training. BASF offers tailored solutions and simulations to address specific gas feeds and compositions. Designs are optimized to consider CapEx and OpEx priorities of our customers.

**Figure 2 Durasorb HR Reflux Resistance**

![Graph of Durasorb HR reflux resistance](image)
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