

# **THINK** > Filter Technology



SIKA-R... AX





# **Since 1759**



# 260 years of exceptional engineering

GKN Sinter Metals Filters, the leading manufacturer of porous sinter metal products, offers a variety of solutions to fulfil customer requirements.

We are familiar with various applications in almost every industrial branch.

Our products are applied in gas- and liquid filtration, dampening, sparging, sensor protection, bulk handling and many more. We offer solutions for high temperature and corrosive environments.

Sintered filter elements made of stainless steels, bronze, nickel based alloys, titanium and several special alloys can be manufactured seamless up to 1,600 mm length and 320 mm OD. Larger elements will be assembled in our certified in-house welding shop.

Our most innovative product for the chemical industry is the patented metallic membrane SIKA-R...AS.

The filter cartridges equipped with this state-of-the-art technology offer a flow rate up to 4 times higher compared to conventional sinter metal filter cartridges. Furthermore an excellent back flush performance is guaranteed. The filter active membrane layer with filter grades down to 0.1 μm absolute has a thickness of only 200 μm and is made of the same alloy as the coarse support material. The membrane is sinter bonded to the support and therefore cannot peel off.

Another innovation introduced by GKN is the sinter bonded joint of porous parts with solid fittings in order to avoid welding seams – the weak spot of all sintered cartridges of our competitors.

All sintered materials of GKN offer a self-supporting structure with high mechanical strength.

We manufacture various filter grades with specified pore sizes and flow rates in order to have the appropriate solution for your requirements.

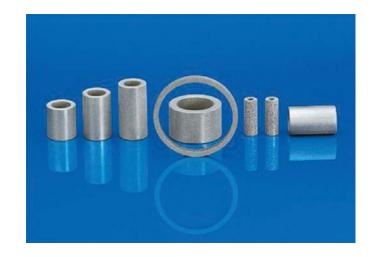


# SIKA-R...AX is the brand name of GKN Sinter Metals' high porous stainless filter elements manufactured by coaxial compaction

SIKA-R...*AX* materials are used as self-supporting structural elements. The pores are mechanically fixed regarding size and position after the sintering process.







#### **Properties**

These characteristics of SIKA-R...AX products go along with the following important properties:

- Shape/-stability i.e. selfsupporting structural elements suitable for high differential pressures
- Particularly good properties when under compression, vibration and changing conditions or with high sudden pressures peaks
- High heat resistance and thermal stability

- Defined permeability and filtration properties because the pore size and distribution are exact and uniform
- Backflushing and easy cleaning with supersaturated superheated steam, chemical solvents, thermal and ultrasonic processes
- The variety of materials used can be welded and machined

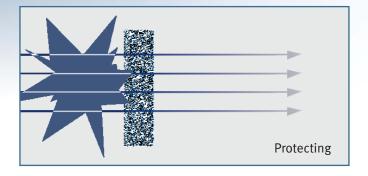


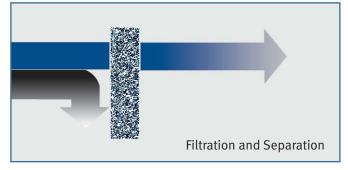
#### **Application Examples**

- Autogenous welding (as flame arrestors) / Explosion protection
- Polymer filtration
- Gas- and Liquid filtration
- Silencing
- Sparging
- Fluidization (handling of bulk material)
- Sensor and valve protection
- Flow restriction

As well as various applications in industries like

- Chemical
- Food / Beverage
- Semiconductor
- Scientific Instrumentation
- Pharmaceutical

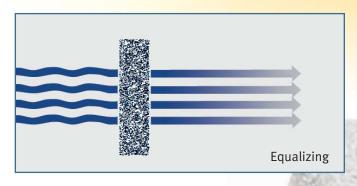
















# **Various forms of sensor protection**



#### SIKA-R...AX



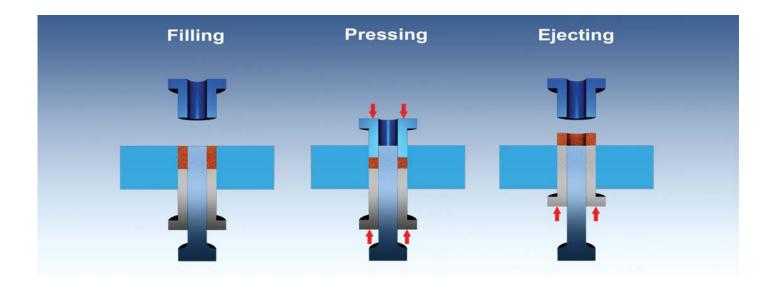
#### Manufacturing of SIKA-R...AX Products

#### **Pressing process**

SIKA-R...*AX* filter elements are formed by co-axial pressing.

The metal powder is filled into the appropriate die and compacted in axial direction by upper and lower punch. The pore size of the finished product can be controlled by the choice of powder size and the pressing force used to form the part.

A wide range of finished shapes can be achieved by this pressing process.



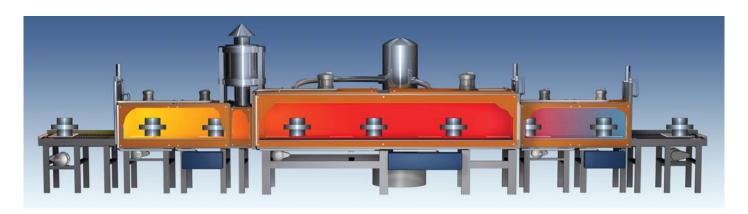


#### **Sintering**

The compacted part is sintered in specially designed furnaces. Sintering is the fundamental processing step for all Powdered Metal (P/M) products. It is the process of bonding the powder particles by fusing them together at temperatures well below their melting point.

After sintering, regardless of micron size, the separate grain structure of the original powdered metal becomes fully interlinked to form a rigid part.

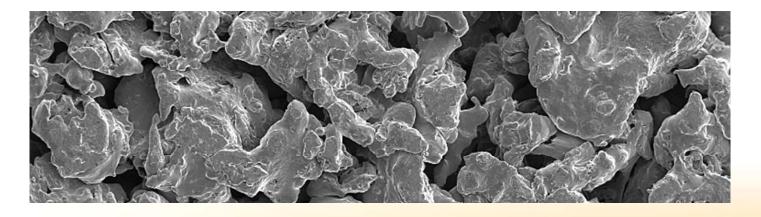
Sintering gives the high porous material the shape stability and property of a strong metal component.



Burn-out of lubricant

Sintering

Cooling





#### **Standard Powder Materials**

|                       | Name                       | MatNo.                | MatNo. SIKA- |   |   |   |   | Fe        | Cr        | Ni        | С     | Мо        | Si   | Miscellany                  | Max. Temp | erature °C | Keyword  |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---|---|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|-----------|------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|--|
| rial                  |                            |                       | R   FIL   B  |   |   |   | В |           |           |           |       |           | ı    |                             | Reducing  | Oxidizing  |  |
|                       |                            | IS AX AS in weight- % |              |   |   |   |   |           |           |           |       |           |      |                             |           |            |  |
| High alloyed material | AISI 304L                  | 1.4306                | Х            | х | Х |   |   | Bal.      | 18.0-20.0 | 8.0-12.0  | ≤0.03 | ≤0.1      | ≤2.5 | -                           | 600       |            | Standard for food  |
|                       | AISI 316 L                 | 1.4404                | Х            | х | Х |   |   | Bal.      | 16.0-18.0 | 10.0-14.0 | ≤0.03 | 2.0-3.0   | ≤2.5 | -                           | 540       | 400        | application  |
|                       |                            |                       |              |   |   | х |   |           |           |           |       |           |      |                             | 380       | 320        |  |
|                       | AISI 904L                  | 1.4539                | х            | х | х |   |   | Bal.      | 19.0-21.0 | 24.0-26.0 | ≤0.03 | 4.0-5.0   | ≤2.3 | Cu 1.0-2.0                  | 600       |            | Resistant against<br>sulphuric, phosphoric<br>and hydrochloric acid  |
|                       | AISI 310                   | 1.4841                |              |   |   | Х |   | Bal.      | 24.0-26.0 | 19.0-22.0 | ≤0.20 | -         | ≤2.5 | -                           | 800       | 600        | Heat resistant   |
| Nickel based alloys*  | Hastelloy<br>C22           | 2.4602                | х            |   | х |   |   | 2.0-6.0   | 20.0-22.5 | Bal.      | ≤0.03 | 12.5-14.5 | ≤0.5 | W 2.5-3.5<br>Co ≤2.5        | 650       |            | Corrosion resistant<br>with various agressive<br>media. Duration ap-<br>plication at<br>> 400 °C possible. |
|                       | Hastelloy<br>C 276         | 2.4819                | х            | х |   |   |   | 4.0-7.0   | 14.5-16.5 | Bal.      | ≤0.03 | 15.0-17.0 | ≤0.8 | W 3.0-4.5<br>Co ≤2.5        | 650       | 650        |  |
|                       | Hastelloy X                | 2.4665                | х            | Х |   |   |   | 17.0-20.0 | 20.5-23.0 | Bal.      | ≤0.15 | 8.0-10.0  | ≤1.0 | W 0.2-1.0<br>Co 0.5-2.5     | 930       | 800        |  |
|                       | Inconel 600                | 2.4816                | Х            | х | Х |   |   | 6.0-10.0  | 14.0-17.0 | Bal.      | ≤0.03 | -         | ≤2.5 | -                           | 700       | 600        |  |
|                       | Inconel 625                | 2.4856                | Х            |   |   |   |   | ≤4.00     | 20.0-24.0 | Bal.      | ≤0.08 | 8.0-10.0  | ≤2.3 | Nb 3.0-4.0                  | 650       | 650        |  |
|                       | Monel 400                  | 2.4360                | х            | Х |   |   |   | ≤1.0      | -         | ≥63.0     | ≤0.05 | -         | ≤1.0 | Cu 28.0-<br>34.0            | 500       | 500        | Resistant against Cl-<br>containing media  |
| Bronze                | CuSn 11                    | 2.1052<br>mod.        |              |   |   |   | х | -         | -         | -         | -     | -         | -    | Sn 10.0-<br>11.5<br>Cu bal. | 300       |            | Typically used for hy-<br>draulic and pneumatic  |
| Tita-<br>nium         | Ti                         | -                     | х            | Х |   |   |   | -         | -         | -         | -     | -         | -    | Ti > 99 %                   | 500       |            | Medicine, acids and electrolysis   |
| Other                 | Other materials on request |                       |              |   |   |   |   |           |           |           |       |           |      |                             |           |            |  |

Not all raw materials are in stock. Materials for fittings on request.

Due to powder metallurgy process, there are slight deviations in the element composition compared to the material standards.

#### Elements SIKA-R...AX

Our various high porosity sintered metal filter elements can be manufactured in the following standard geometries:

- Discs
- Cylinders / Open ended
- Cylinders with one closed end
- Plates
- Cones
- Silencer made of stainless steel sintered together with a solid stainless steel thread

Seamless design up to 315 mm diameter.

We also manufacture to customer-specified dimensions.

Bigger elements can be welded at our certified in-house welding shop.

#### **GKN Filter Grades**

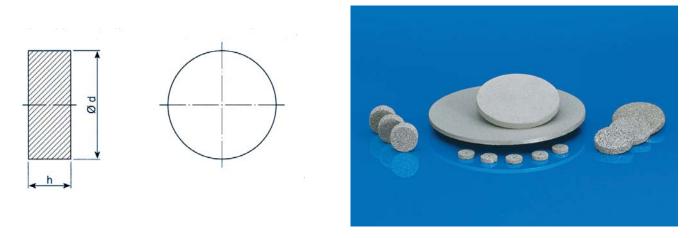
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|--------|---------|-------|
| SIKA-R | 0.1     | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 0.5     | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 1       | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 3       | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 5       | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 7       | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 10      | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 15      | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 20      | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 30      | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 40      | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 50      | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 80      | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 100     | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 150     | AX    |
| SIKA-R | 200     | AX    |

<sup>\*</sup> Nickel based AX-products only after consultation. Not all dimensions feasible.

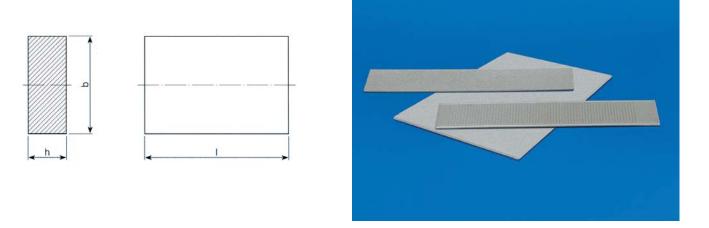


## **Standard Geometries**

#### **SIKA-Discs**



Seamless construction is possible up to 315 mm diameter and 40 mm in height



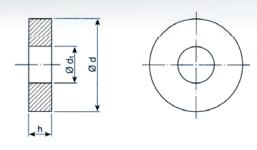
Standard plate size is  $200 \times 300 \text{ mm}$ , height up to 20 mm

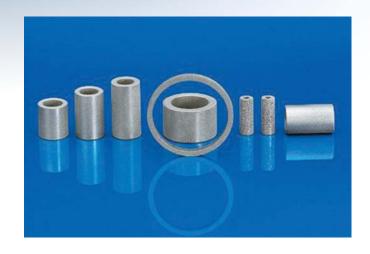
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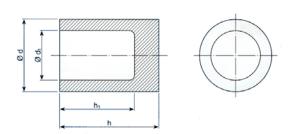
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## SIKA-Cylinders / Open ended



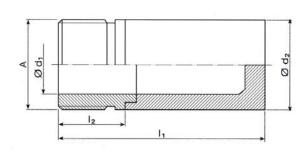


## SIKA-Cylinders with one closed end





# Silencer made of stainless steel sintered together with a solid stainless steel thread

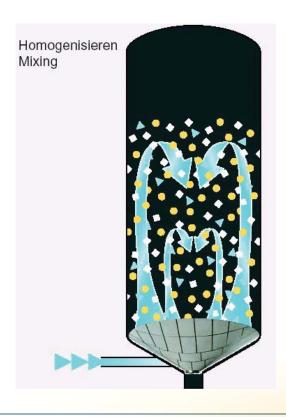


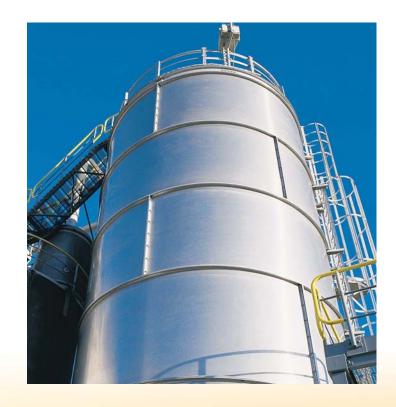




# **Customer Specific Constructions**







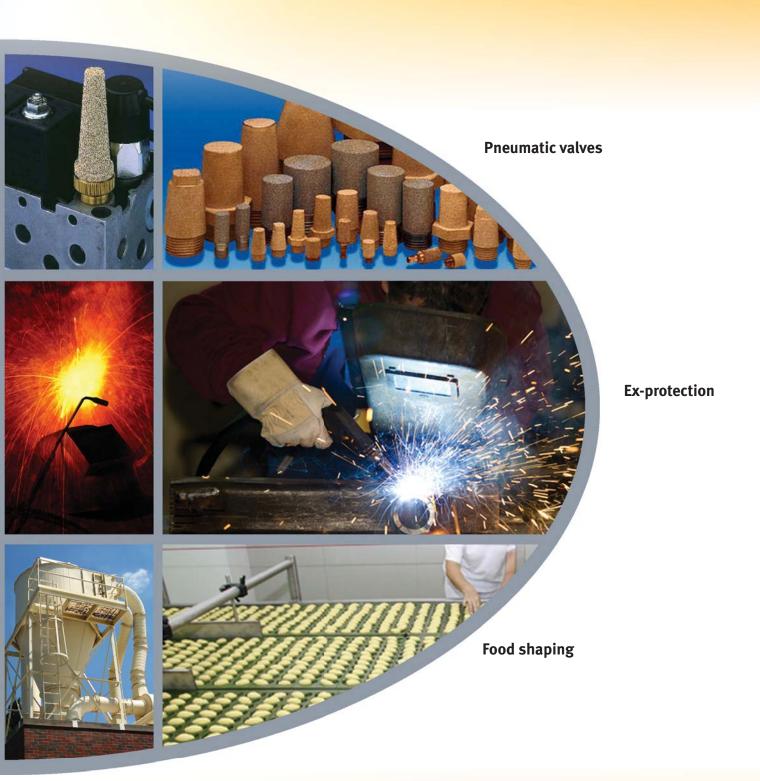
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# **Additional Applications of GKN Filters...**







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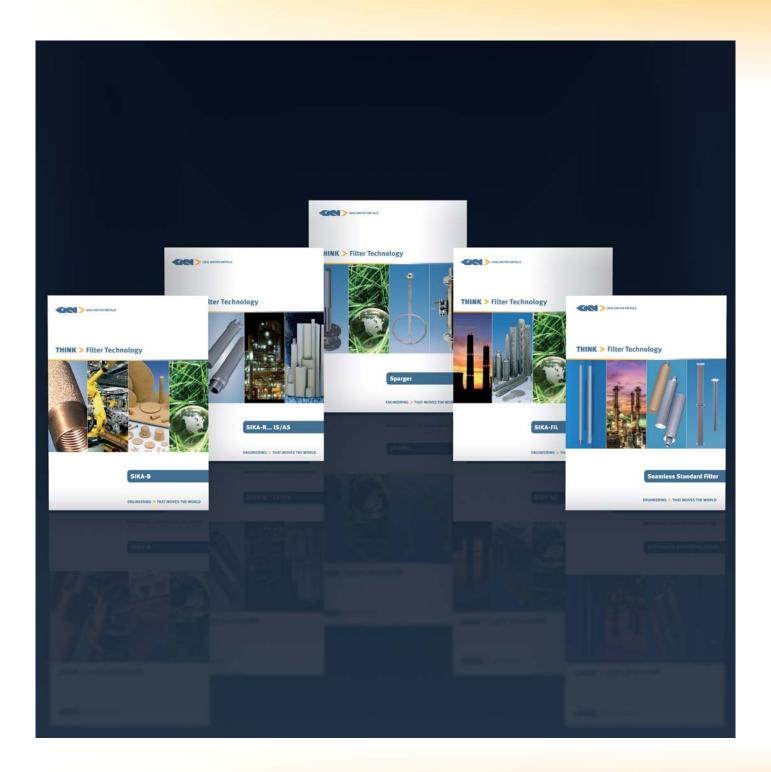


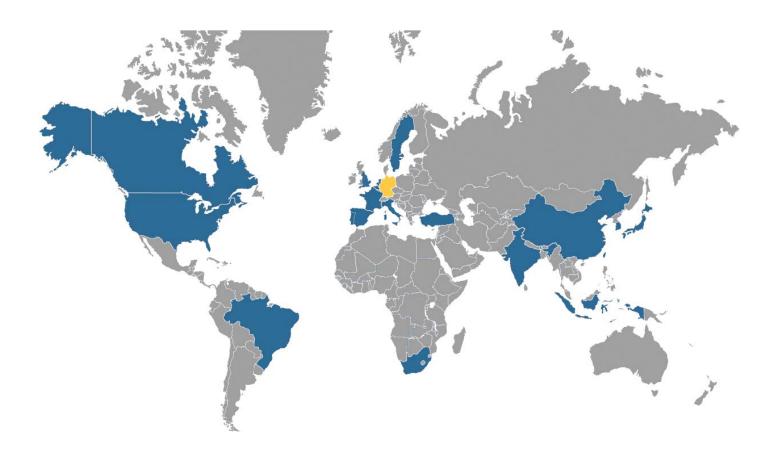
# **Basic Information for Designing a Filter**

| 1. Customer's information   |  |  |                    |                             |     |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----|--|--|--|--|--|
| Enquiry date: Company name: Contact name: Street address: ZIP: Town, US State: Country: |  |  |                    | Email:<br>Phone:<br>Mobile: |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. The planned application of the SIKA element?   |  |  |                    |                             |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Separation Silo   | ualizing  encing  otecting   | Fluidising<br>Sparging<br>Degassing  |                    | Others                      |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. What kind of gas or liquid will flow through the SIKA element?                       |  |  |                    |                             |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wanted or permissible   | Opera<br>Dynan<br>Operation t<br>Operati<br>ure before the Sl<br>e pressure drop c | tion density<br>nic viscosity<br>temperature<br>on flow rate<br>IKA element<br>of clean filter |                    |                             |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Which particles  | must be retair   | ned by a SI  | KA ele             | ment?                       |     |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Shape of   | Kind<br>the particle<br>the particle<br>Filter grade   |                    |                             |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. How will the SIK   | A element be   | applied?   |                    |                             |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shape of the element  Connecting element  | Cartridge<br>Other<br>Thread   |  | Sheet 🗆<br>Other 🗆 |                             |     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Housing diameter Quantity  6. Short description of the process:                         |  |  |                    |                             |     |  |  |  |  |  |
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