

# micro annular gear pumps

# precise pumps – smart solutions



Vision

Micro technology makes it possible to design products simply, efficiently and sustainably, thereby opening up the creation of new functionalities. **HNP Mikrosysteme** develops, manufactures and markets pumps worldwide which dose small amounts of liquids fast and accurately. Applications of the product lie in life science, especially analytical instrumentation, mechanical and plant engineering, chemical and pharmaceutical process engineering as well as in new markets like fuel cells or biotechnology, organic electronics and aerospace.

#### Mission

Industrial micro fluidics is our know-how – the products we develop and market are micro annular gear pumps (mzr®-pumps) and components for fast and accurate dosing and metering of liquids. We support our customers with qualified engineering regarding their applications. Our pumps combine proven functional principles with precision engineering, micro technological manufacturing processes and high performance materials. Precision, quality, design and function are, for us, both a challenge and an aspiration.

Company

HNP Mikrosysteme was founded in 1998. Since then, the company has grown to 75 employees, including scientists, engineers and designers. At our location in Northern Germany, our products propagate from ideas, to designs, to testing, and finally to sale. mzr®-pumps accomplish conventional micro fluidic tasks effectively and efficiently and open up new technological fields. We have received numerous awards for our innovative ideas in the field of micro technology. HNP Mikrosysteme is aware of its responsibilities to society and the environment. We provide further education and training for the next generation of engineering minds and actively support the interest in science and technology of children and young people.

Product

The micro annular gear pump product range consists of five different series of mzr<sup>®</sup>-pumps for dosing and metering small amounts of low to high viscosity liquids. With different equipment, dosing volumes starting at 0.25  $\mu$ l, flow rates ranging from 1 $\mu$ l/h to 1.11/min as well as pressures from 0 to a maximum of 150 bars are possible. The range of the liquid viscosity extends from 0.3 to 1,000,000 mPas. Operation in an explosion-proof area is also possible.

The pumps are distinguished by low pulsation, low shear stress, low dead volume, long service life, low weight and a compact structure as well as wear and corrosion resistant materials. HNP Mikrosysteme offers the development of OEM pumps, comprehensive **application-specific consulting**, technical support and training.











Technology

**Micro annular gear pumps** are miniaturized rotary positive displacement pumps. They are based on a so-called micro annular gear principle with an externally toothed internal rotor and an internally toothed external rotor. The internal rotor has one tooth less than the external rotor with the tooth ratios of 6/7 and 10/11 used. The manufacturing tolerances of the rotors are in the range of few micrometers.





0°/0°

45°/39°

90°/77°

180°/154°

# Operation Principle

Both rotors, which are eccentrically mounted, are intermeshed with their cycloid gearing. As a result a system of several sealed pumping chambers exists at all times. With a tooth ratio of 6/7, a chamber number of six results.

The shaft of the micro annular gear pump is connected to the internal rotor and is powered by a precisely controlled electric motor. The external rotor is mounted rotatable and is driven by the internal rotor.

As the rotors turn around their offset axes, the volume of the pumping chambers increases on the induction side and simultaneously decreases on the delivery side of the pump. A homogeneous and low-pulsation flow rate is generated between the kidney-shaped inlet and outlet which also combines several pumping chambers at the same time. The pump's conveying direction is reversible, however, a recommended direction of rotation exists.











Patents

Micro annular gear pumps (and housings) are protected by issued patents: DE 198 43 161 C2, EP 1115979 B1, US 6,520,757 B1, EP 852674 B1, US 6,179,596 B1, EP 1354135, US 7,698,818 B2. Patents pending: DE 10 2009 020 942.5-24, DE 10 2011 001 041.6, PCT/IB2011/055108, EP 11 81 3388.3, US 13/884,088, CN 2011 8006 5051.7, HK 13 11 2934.9, DE 10 2011 051 486.4, PCT/EP2012/061514, EP 12 72 8264.8, US 14/129,475, CN 2012 8003 8326.2. In the US, Europe and Japan additional patents are pending. mzr<sup>®</sup>, MoDos<sup>®</sup>, μ-Clamp<sup>®</sup>, HNPM<sup>®</sup> are registered German trademarks of HNP Mikrosysteme GmbH.

Internal rotor / External rotor

#### High performance pump series



The high performance pump series is well suited for **challenging dosing tasks** requiring high precision, a middle pressure range, high temperatures and viscosities ranging from 0.3 to 1,000,000 mPas. The pump has a double-sided bearing system and is driven by a powerful DC-servo motor with integrated control. With a large choice of additional modules such as the fluidic seal module, heating module, heat insulation module or gear modules, the high performance pumps are especially recommended for mechanical and plant engineering. Depending on the pump size, standardized connectors 1/4"-28 UNF, 1/8" NPT or 3/8" NPT are offered.

#### Hermetic inert pump series



The hermetic and chemically inert series is almost **universally suitable for aggressive liquids** and therefore an innovation in pumping technology. Rotors and functional elements made from nickel-based tungsten carbide or ceramics like zirconia and alumina lend the pumps high chemical resistance and outstanding wear-resistance. With shaft and bearing material of hot isostatic pressed silicon carbide (SSiC) and the housing components of alloy C 22 (2.4602), the pumps can be used with demanding oxidizing and reducing liquids, acids, bases and solvents. The pumps are designed hermetically and driven by a torsion-proof NdFeB magnetic coupling.

#### **Ex-version**



The high performance series pumps as well as the hermetic inert series pumps can be equipped with drives which have Ex-approval for **use in areas with potential explosion risk** or UL/CSA certification. The approval of the pumps is in compliance with ATEX according to the EU Directive 94/9/EC.

#### Low pressure pump series



The pumps of the low pressure pump series are used in analytical instrumentation for precise dosage tasks **at low pressures and for low viscosities**. They are particularly suited for lowest volumes of non-lubricating liquids. Using DC mini motors, the pumps have small dimensions and low power consumption so that they can be easily integrated into OEM applications. The pumps are suitable for metering and dosing de-ionized water, watery solutions, solvents as well as low-viscosity oils and lubricants.

#### Modular pump series



The modular micro annular gear pumps are suitable for use with **light corrosive liquids**. When equipped with oxide ceramic bearing components, the pump bodies as well as the rotors can be combined from different materials dependent on the liquid to be conveyed. The rotors are available in a zirconia based ceramic and, alternately in nickel-based tungsten carbide. Alloy C22, stainless steel 316 L, aluminium and PEEK<sup>™</sup> form the different options for the wetted pump housing. The pump covers applications from analytical instrumentation to chemistry.

#### **Magnetic hermetic pump series**



The pumps of the magnetic hermetic series are qualified to **handle crystallizing**, **air or moisture-sensitive liquids** because the pump has no shaft seal. This feature is made possible thanks to a liquid-separating cup surrounding the magnetic drive. The compact dimension of the pump is realized using a completely new product design and optimal coordination with an integrated speed controller. The pump can be used in all areas where leak-free operation and long service life as well as low energy consumption are important requirements.



 $V_q = Displacement volume$ 

\*with additional equipment such as high-resolution encoder, gear box

#### System Design

Knowledge of the right design, the correct choice of components, their behaviour and their interactions with each other plays a decisive role in the successful development and implementation of production and testing plants. Our sales team, made up of chemists, physicists, biochemists, electrical and mechanical engineers can provide you with comprehensive advice. Discuss your application with our application engineers and take advantage of our long years of experience. We are happy to talk about new possibilities and questions you might have. Application-specific modifications to our pumps and the control related integration are possible, as well as metering and dosing testing. We also provide support in commissioning on site.

Service Micro annular gear pumps are high-quality and durable products. The functional components are, however, subject to natural wear depending on demand and liquid. We offer professional and fast service for the replacement of components. We are, of course, available for any questions during the integration, commissioning and the running process.

Training At demand, we provide training in our facility which is tailored to your needs. For larger groups, we offer training and lectures at companies, universities and institutes.

#### Application **Fields**

#### Life Science

- Analytical instrumentation
- Diagnostics
- Sample preparation
- Particle analysis
- Biotechnology
- Siliconization

#### **Mechanical Engineering**

- Adhesive dosing
- Filling and dosing technology
- **Advantages**
- Precise dosing
- Low pulsation
- Low shear stress
- Self-priming
- Low dead volume
- Compact structure

- Minimum volume lubrication
- Polyurethane grouting
- Food technology
- Aerospace technology
- Energy storage technology

#### Chemistry

- Fine chemicals / Pharmaceuticals
- Flow chemistry
- Coating technology
- Organic electronics
- Low weight
- Suited for non-lubricating liquids
- Corrosion-resistant materials
- Long service life due to tungsten carbide and ceramic components



Analytical instrumentation







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Drive Technology DC drive technology is the basis for a compact design of the micro annular gear pumps and their excellent calibration properties. Due to the high design and function-related requirements, only regulated **precision motors** are used. Depending on requirements with regard to discrete or continuous dosing as well as the required performance, other drive options such as stepper motors or three phase AC motors are available.

Supplementary<br/>ModulesDepending on pump series, there are supplementary modules which in-<br/>crease the application range of the pumps. For metering air and moisture-<br/>sensitive liquids as well as for vacuum applications, a fluidic seal module<br/>is available. With the use of a heat insulation module, cold and hot liquids<br/>of -20 up to 150° Celsius may be delivered. Active heating of the pump<br/>head to maintain the liquid temperature is made possible using the heat-<br/>ing module.

**Control** The product range includes additional control modules, such as cabinet control units and customer-specific OEM solutions with various interfaces to complement the drive technology.

Two programs provide support to operate the pumps. Our own control program **mzr®-pump controller** is available for the operation modes metering and dosing to be used for laboratory and test operation of the pumps. Alternatively, using the software »Motion Manager« which runs under MS Windows<sup>®</sup>, all micro annular gear pump drive parameters can be set and saved.

**Flow control** Depending on the application, we offer combined systems, consisting of pump, sensor and control as well as several **flow sensors** based on different thermal principles or on the Coriolis principle.

- FilterHNP Mikrosysteme always recommends the use of a filter with a pore size<br/>or mesh width of 10 μm to protect the micro annular gear pump. Straight<br/>inline filters and inline T-filters as well as inlet filters made of various ma-<br/>terials with different filter surfaces are offered. Our filters can be ordered<br/>separately as single product.
- Accessories A fluidic system consists of several individual components. We supply some products such as flow meters and controllers, valves, fittings, adapters, tubes and pipes as accessories which are tailored to the recommended micro annular gear pump.













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