H₂S REMOVAL ADSORBENTS
Simple, effective, and customized fixed-bed purification solutions
OUTSTANDING HYDROGEN SULFIDE REMOVAL

Schlumberger is a world leader in providing cost-effective solutions for the removal of contaminants from gaseous and light liquid hydrocarbon streams using fixed-bed technology. Schlumberger technology is used to treat nearly 3 trillion cubic feet of gas per year with in excess of 1,500 applications in more than 30 countries.

Schlumberger treatments mitigate the asset integrity, health, safety, and environmental risks created by highly toxic and corrosive hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) fixed-bed technology for the global energy, environmental, and water treatment markets.

Setting the standard in H₂S removal

As part of the CURE portfolio of chemical-based technologies that react with and remove production impurities and risks, Schlumberger offers two primary product lines for removal of H₂S from gas: SULFATREAT* granular iron oxide–based H₂S adsorbents and SELECT FAMILY* mixed metal oxide–based hydrogen sulfide adsorbents.

Both SULFATREAT and SELECT FAMILY adsorbents are used in fixed-bed processes that are cost effective and easy to operate and require minimal operator attention.

Nonhazardous SULFATREAT adsorbents are the industry’s leading adsorbents for treatment of water-saturated gas, and SELECT FAMILY adsorbents are engineered using enhanced porosity control for improved activity. These products facilitate greater flexibility in system design, and formulations are available for treatment of both dry and water-saturated gas.
While upstream natural gas processing is our primary market, the range of adsorbents works effectively in most gaseous streams. Diverse applications include early production systems, FPSO facilities, gas processing plants, offshore platforms, petrochemical plants, refineries, odor control, vent gas treatment, wastewater treatment, gas storage, biogas, food-grade carbon dioxide (CO$_2$), and landfill gas.
CUSTOMIZED TREATMENTS. 
OPTIMIZED H₂S REMOVAL.

Using its unrivaled global expertise, Schlumberger designs treatment systems that address specific process conditions. Gas or vapor moves through the bed in a downflow design, and liquids are treated in an upflow configuration. The H₂S contaminants then chemically react with the adsorbent, forming a stable by-product. The flexibility of the treatment process enables the system to adapt to changes in operating conditions, often without additional equipment or retrofitting.

Tailored support ranges from basic media provision through to a fully engineered technical solution comprising basic system design, media supply, detailed engineering, fabrication packages, equipment supply, and spent-media handling.

**Single-vessel configuration**
The most basic system design includes a single vessel in which the inlet contaminant concentration at the beginning of bed life is reduced to nondetectable levels at the outlet. Over time, the outlet contaminant concentration gradually increases to a specified level that indicates the need for replacement. Temporary bypass of the vessel or interruption of gas flow is briefly necessary to replace the reactant media.
Lead-lag vessel configuration
The most cost-effective operating mode in a continuous H₂S removal process is a lead-lag vessel configuration, which provides the greatest operating flexibility and enables full utilization of the media, improving overall removal efficiency by as much as 20%.

Gas flows through the lead bed then through the lag bed. When the lead bed becomes spent, it is taken offline and changed. During the short time that this takes, the online bed is treating the full gas flow.

When the new media has been installed, the vessels are switched. The lag bed now becomes the lead bed, and the lead bed is put into the lag position. Operators are able to maximize the capacity of the beds to remove the H₂S, ensuring optimal use of the absorbent.

Separator and water injection
Upstream of the vessels, the installation requires an inlet separator with a high-efficiency demister to remove free liquids from the gas.

A water injection system upstream of the separator is highly recommended if the selected chemistry requires water-vapor-saturated gas.
Sweet gas
Sour gas
Water (if necessary)
Condensate
Separator

Simplified lead-lag diagram for gas treatment.

Vessel A
Vessel B
Drain
Relief valve

SP
TI
PI
DPI
Sweet gas
Condensate

Sour gas
FLEXIBLE, FULLY SUPPORTED SOLUTIONS

Years of experience across diverse applications and markets give Schlumberger unrivaled resources and expertise to design a purification treatment solution to suit any operator’s specific requirements.

Monitoring
Computer modeling provides information on predicted performance parameters, with bed loading determined by flow and contaminant levels.

Typically, outlet levels of H₂S rise gradually at the end of the bed’s life, indicating the need for replacement.

Optional monitoring around the treatment system envelope can include gas temperature and differential pressure measurement. These measurements are used to confirm anticipated design operating conditions and the impact of changes over time.

Changeouts and disposal
Catalyst handling specialists are recommended for changeouts. Schlumberger experts will identify the best option for recycling or disposing of spent material and can provide support with this process as required. Disposal routes are well established, and personnel are available for onsite installation and removal support.

Quality assurance and technical support
All products are manufactured to stringent quality specifications. Customized software modeling and performance predictability enable the development of best-fit system design and operation for each application supported by highly trained personnel at every stage.

Schlumberger has dedicated specialist laboratories for the research, development, and testing of fixed-bed absorbent media and alternative purification systems. As part of a global network of advanced oilfield research and development laboratories, these world-class facilities offer customers fast access to new product developments.
HIGH-PERFORMANCE ADSORBENTS FOR DRY AND WATER-SATURATED GAS

SULFATREAT adsorbents
Schlumberger highly effective and nonhazardous SULFATREAT granular adsorbents are the industry’s leading adsorbents for the treatment of water-saturated gas, with principal products including

- SULFATREAT CHP* granular iron oxide–based H₂S adsorbents
- SULFATREAT 410CHP* and SULFATREAT 2242* reduced-pressure-drop iron oxide–based H₂S adsorbents
- SULFATREAT XLP-EZ* extended-life, simplified-changeout iron oxide–based H₂S adsorbent.

SELECT FAMILY adsorbents
SELECT FAMILY adsorbents are engineered using enhanced porosity control for optimized results and enable maximum flexibility in system design with formulations available for the treatment of dry and water-saturated gas. Principal products include

- SELECT HP* and SELECT PREMIUM* mixed metal oxide–based H₂S adsorbents
- SELECT XLP* extended-life iron oxide–based H₂S adsorbent.

Pioneering adsorbents for H₂S removal from liquids
As global leaders with an established reputation for innovation in the oilfield, Schlumberger offers SULFATREAT HC* granular iron oxide–based H₂S adsorbent and SELECT HC* mixed metal oxide–based H₂S adsorbent products for the cost-effective and efficient removal of H₂S from light liquid hydrocarbons, restoring and optimizing flow performance.
FEATURES
- Reliable, predictable performance
- Customized, flexible purification system
- Wide range of adsorbents providing optimized solutions
- Cost-effective hydrogen sulfide removal
- Straightforward vessel changeouts
- Established disposal and recycling options
- Mobile removal units
- Highly qualified, trained, and experienced support network

BENEFITS
- Proven plant, equipment, and process protection
- Environmental compliance
- Reduced toxicity and risk
- Simple, reliable, and predictable operation requiring minimal operator attention
- Adaptability to variable process conditions
- Technical support throughout operation
- Industry-leading performance warranty
Case Study

OPTIMIZING PLANT PERFORMANCE WITH THE COST-EFFECTIVE REMOVAL OF H₂S FROM CO₂ OFF-GAS STREAM

CHALLENGE
Late in construction of the world’s largest renewable diesel plant, a hazardous operations (HAZOP) study revealed the H₂S load in the off-gas increased significantly during planned equipment maintenance. The operator had not accounted for this surge in the original plant design. SULFATREAT adsorbent had been selected to remove trace amounts of H₂S from the CO₂ off-gas stream. The surge necessitated a redesign of the H₂S removal system.

SOLUTION
Schlumberger determined an integrated media configuration comprising SULFATREAT and SELECT FAMILY adsorbents would be cost effective, secure, flexible, and practical. It would also ensure maximum system protection from the increased H₂S load encountered during surge conditions.

RESULTS
Efficient bulk H₂S removal was achieved using SULFATREAT 410CHP adsorbents in the lead bed. SELECT HP adsorbents were used in the lag and polishing reactors, optimizing plant reliability. Schlumberger provided onsite assistance during the reactor loading. Regular contact and technical support have ensured optimal system performance.
A full service offering to maintain and restore full production.

Schlumberger production technology specialists deliver targeted, integrated strategies that help to decisively remediate production issues such as deposit formation and naturally occurring gases, enabling customers to restore and improve flow performance and revenue while avoiding costly repairs and shutdowns.

Firmly established at the forefront of technology, Schlumberger has a full service offering that integrates pioneering chemical and process solutions, equipment, and software with unrivaled technical expertise.

Working with the world’s largest oilfield services provider, customers benefit from a truly unique combination of outstanding technological capabilities and improve their understanding of how to successfully address production challenges in an increasingly competitive marketplace.

The team’s global footprint and extensive suite of technologies helps customers to reliably and efficiently maximize production—regardless of system complexities or geography.
MAXIMIZE PRODUCTION FROM RESERVOIR TO REFINERY
UNLOCK POTENTIAL
OPTIMIZE PRODUCTION

PREVENT  PERFORM  CURE

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