AERZEN
BIOGAS SOLUTIONS

Compressors for biogas and biomethane
YOU CAN EXPECT A LOT FROM US. PREMIUM TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE BIOGAS SECTOR BY AERZEN.

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Biogas system

Slurry and solid biomass are suitable for biogas production. A cow weighing 500 kg corresponds to e.g. a gas yield of maximum 1.5 cubic metres per day. In energy terms, this equals to around one litre heating oil. Regrowable raw materials supply between 6,000 cubic metres (meadow grass) and 12,000 cubic metres (silo maize/fodder beet) biogas per hectare arable land annually.

1 ha energy crops, e.g. maize, grain, reeds

Feed

Energy crops or biowastes

Livestock farming

Biowaste Pit

Collection tank for biomass.

Fermenter

In this tank, with light and oxygen excluded, the biomass is digested by anaerobic microorganisms. This digestion process produces methane and carbon dioxide – the biogas.

PH Collection tank for biomass.

Fermentation residuals storage

If the biomass has been fermented in the digester, it is first placed in the fermentation residuals storage and is then used either as high-quality fertilizer or as animal feed.

Gas storage

The resulting biogas is stored in the top (“hood”) of the fermenter, directly above the fermenting biomass.

Combined heat and power station (CHP)

Here, the biogas is incinerated to produce electricity and heat.

Natural gas network

The treated biogas can be fed directly into existing natural gas networks or can be used as fuel.

Gas treatment plant

The methane content and the quality of the biogas is increased to make it like conventional natural gas.

Biogas petrol station

... or can be used as fuel.

How a biogas plant functions
Applications in biogas plants

Terms:
BGTP: biogas treatment plant
BGIP: biogas injection plant
CHP: block-type thermal power station
PSA: pressure swing adsorption
GS: gas scrubbing
DEA: diethanolamine
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HP: high pressure

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<th>Elevated intake pressure [bar g]</th>
<th>Δp max [bar]</th>
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* (reciprocating compressor not included in AERZEN’s product line)
BIOGAS BLOWERS

Designed specially for the biogas market, these blowers provide the ultimate in reliability and efficiency. Series GM biogas blowers by AERZEN are available in a variety of different sizes. Due to a TÜV-certified explosion pressure resistance of 12 bar, these blowers may also be applied in processes with internal ATEX zone 1.
Biogas blowers — GM series for oil-free compression

**Fields of application**
Compression of biomethane and biogas, landfill gas, natural gas, CH-mixed gases etc.

9 sizes for volume flows between 30 m³/h and 2,700 m³/h. Volume flow control by controlling rotating speed and bypass. Control range 0 – 100 %

**Elevated intake pressure:** 0.5 bar g max.

**Discharge pressure:** 1.0 bar g max.

**Design compressor stage**
- Casing material: ductile iron (GGG 40.3 / EN-GJS-400 / ASTM A395)
- Rotors: forged steel (C45N / AISI type 1045)
- Drive shaft seal: gas-tight seal
- Bearings: rolling element bearings

**Our line of blower packages**
- Starting strainer
- Suction silencer
- Base support including discharge silencer
- Vibration isolating feet
- Hinged motor mounting plate to ensure automatic belt tension
- Belt drive and belt guard
- Check valve
- Axial expansion joints
- Instrumentation

**Range of options, e.g.**
- Special motor or customer supplied motor
- Control and power supply panel incl. frequency converter
- Acoustic hood
- Gas cooler
- Bypass — control valve

Series GM is also available as direct coupled version

Please find more information in leaflets G1-068 and G1-069
BIOGAS COMPRESSORS

AERZEN screw compressor packages are distinguished by their great variety and numerous modification options. Whether these compressors serve as part of the customer’s plant concept or are applied as a complete system solution, AERZEN will adapt to individual customer requirements. AERZEN’s steady evolution into a world market leader explains our flexibility; our company has constantly innovated, optimised and successfully provided compressors since 1943.

Special rotor profiles are characteristic of AERZEN’s screw compressors; they ensure significantly better performance in negative and positive pressure operation.
Biogas compressor — Series C
Oil-free screw compressors

Fields of application
Compression of biomethane and biogas, landfill gas, natural gas, CH-mixed gases etc.

3 sizes for the following max. volume flows:

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<th>C 6 Z</th>
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<td>610 m³/h</td>
<td>1290 m³/h</td>
<td>1900 m³/h</td>
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Volume flow control by controlling rotating speed and bypass. Control range 0 – 100 %

Elevated intake pressure: 0.5 bar g max.

Pressure difference: to 3.5 bar g

Design and scope of supply

Compressor stage
Casing material: ductile iron (GGG 40.3 / EN-GJS-400 / ASTM A395)
Rotors: forged steel C45N / AISI type 1045 (all gas-contacted components are coated for corrosion protection)
Drive shaft seal: gas-tight seal
Bearings: rolling element bearings

Scope of supply
Compressor package
Starting strainer
Suction and discharge silencers
Oil lubricating system integrated into the compressor stage
Check valve
Internal pipe work
Instrumentation

Range of options, e.g.
Acoustic hood
Controls
Modification for zones 1 and 2

Please find more information in our leaflet RKR*
* RKR = a member of the AERZEN Group

AERZEN stage
screw compressor VM

AERZEN compressor C 13 Z for the compression of biogas and biomethane
Biogas compressor – VMX Series
Oil-lubricated screw compressor packages

Fields of application
Compression of biomethane and biogas
Other process gases such as CH₄ mixed gases

5 sizes for the following max. volume flows:

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<th>VMX 110</th>
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Volume flow control by controlling rotating speed and bypass. Control range 0 – 100%

Elevated intake pressure: 0.5 bar g max.

Discharge pressure: 13 bar g max.

AERZEN stage
VMX screw compressor

Design and scope of supply
Compressor stage
Casing material: ductile iron (GGG 40.3 / EN-GJS-400 / ASTM A395)
Rotors: forged steel (C45N / AISI type 1045)
Drive shaft seal: mechanical seal - oil-lubricated
Bearings: rolling element bearings

Scope of supply
Compressor package
Starting strainer
Oil system composed of:
  – Oil reservoir
  – Oil filter
  – Oil cooler
  – Oil pressure control valve
  – Oil temperature control valve
  – Oil separator
Gas cooler
Internal pipe work
Instrumentation and controls

Range of options, e.g.:
Acoustic hood or container-mounted package
Water chiller and more

Find out more in leaflet V1-020

AERZEN VMX 110 compressor for the compression of biomethane
Biogas compressor – VMY Series
Oil-lubricated screw compressor packages

Fields of application
Compression of biomethane and biogas
Other process gases such as CH₄ - mixed gases

3 sizes for the following maximum volume flows:

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<td>Volume</td>
<td>600 m³/h</td>
<td>1250 m³/h</td>
<td>2500 m³/h</td>
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Volume flow control via integrated slide valve
and / or control of rotating speed and bypass.
Control range 0 – 100%

Elevated intake pressure: 8.0 bar g max.

Discharge pressure: 25 bar g max.

Design and scope of supply

Compressor stage
- Casing material: ductile iron (GGG 40.3/EN-GJS-400/ASTM A395)
- Rotors: forged steel (C45N / AISI type 1045)
- Drive shaft seal: mechanical seal - oil-lubricated
- Bearings: sleeve bearings - (radial)
  angular contact ball bearings - (thrust)

Scope of supply
Compressor package
- Starting strainer
- Oil system composed of:
  - Oil reservoir
  - Oil filter
  - Oil cooler
  - Oil pressure control valve
  - Oil temperature control valve
  - Oil separator
- Gas cooler
- Check valves
- Internal pipe work
- Instrumentation and controls

Options, e. g.
- Acoustic hood or container-mounted package
- Water chiller and more

More information is available in brochures V1-035 and V1-038
AERZEN machines are legendary for their durability. Why is service necessary at all, then? For us, it’s about more than availability and original OEM parts. AERZEN services safeguard your investments and productivity, and ensure that you stay ahead of the competition. From anywhere on earth.

Benefit from AERZEN’s OEM competence, anytime, anywhere

AERZEN on-site service.
Our service teams work wherever our machines are, anywhere in the world, onshore or offshore, and frequently under extreme conditions. How do we manage? Because we are never far away. AERZEN has developed a wide network of service support centres and decentralised parts depots around the globe. At these centres, you will find over 200 well-trained service technicians ready to help, whenever and wherever you need them.

Equipment rental and other services.
The AERZEN service world has plenty to offer to its customers. For example, we offer custom designed service kits, including replacement stages, machine diagnosis, acoustic optimisation. One of our most important services is the AERZEN Rental Division, which has a large stock of rental machines: AERZEN blowers, turbos and compressors in a wide range of performance classes, for all standard pressure ranges, for immediate use and delivered on request – turnkey ready. What does that mean for our customers? Even in the event of an unanticipated need, you will be well equipped.
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AERZEN. Compression - the key to our success.
AERZEN was founded in 1864 as Aerzener Maschinenfabrik. In 1868, we built Europe’s first positive displacement blower. The first Turbo blowers followed in 1911, the first screw compressors in 1943, and in 2010 the world’s first rotary lobe compressor package. Innovations “made by AERZEN” keep driving forward the development of compressor technology. Today, AERZEN is among the world’s longest established and most significant manufacturers of positive displacement blowers, rotary lobe compressors, screw compressors, and Turbo blowers. AERZEN is among the undisputed market leaders in many areas of application.

At our 50 subsidiaries around the world, over 2,000 experienced employees are working hard to shape the future of compression technology. Their technological expertise, our international network of experts, and the constant feedback we get from our customers provide the basis for our success. AERZEN products and services set the standard in terms of reliability, stability of value and efficiency. Go ahead - challenge us!