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Ultrafiltration + Reverse Osmosis System

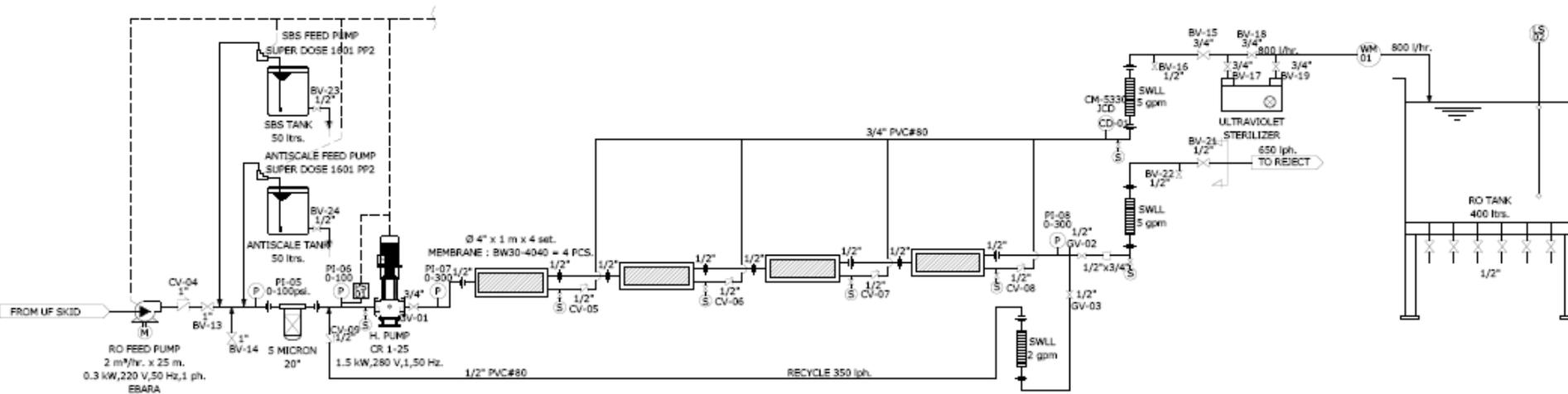
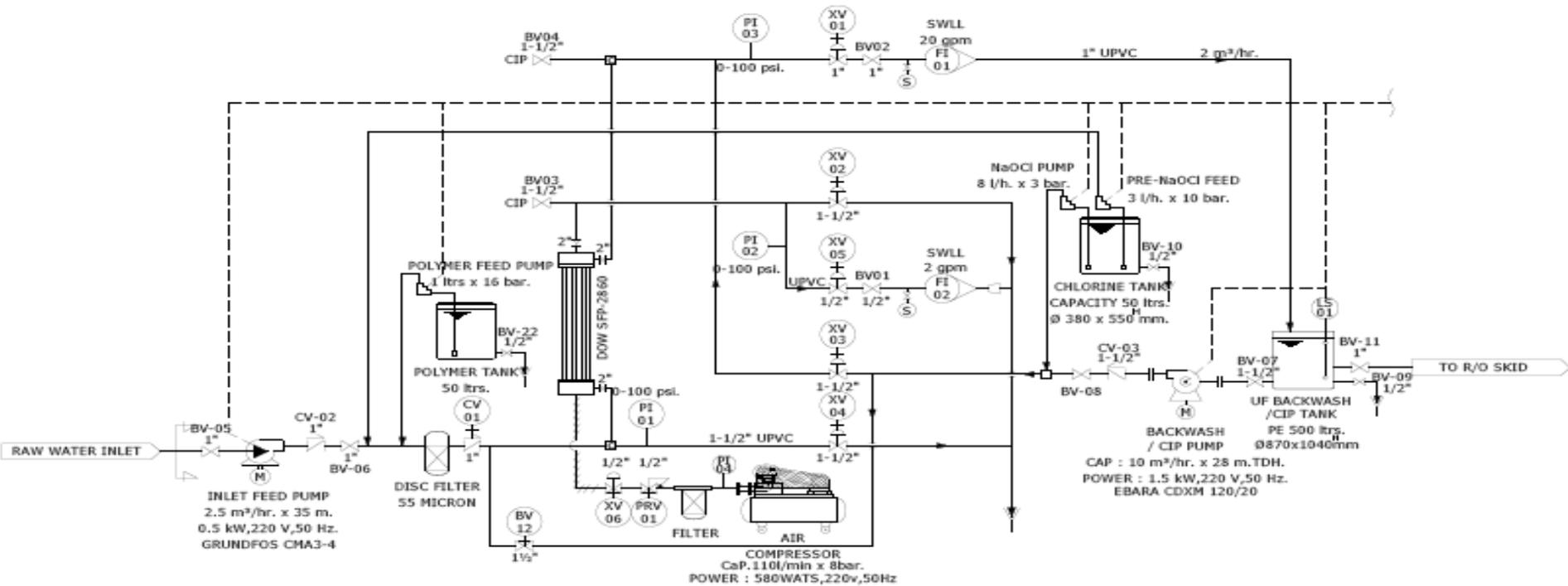
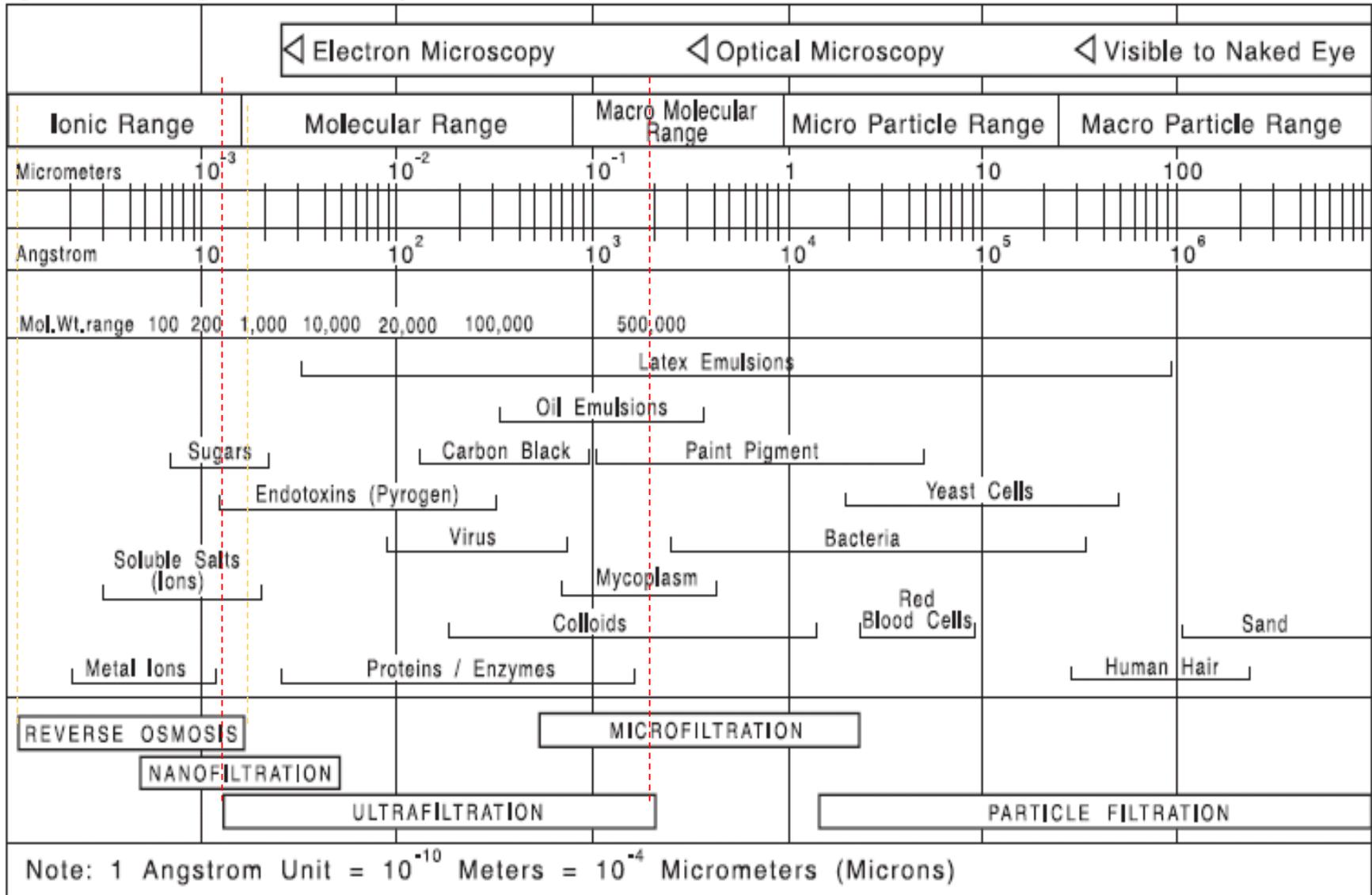


Figure 1.3 Ranges of filtration processes



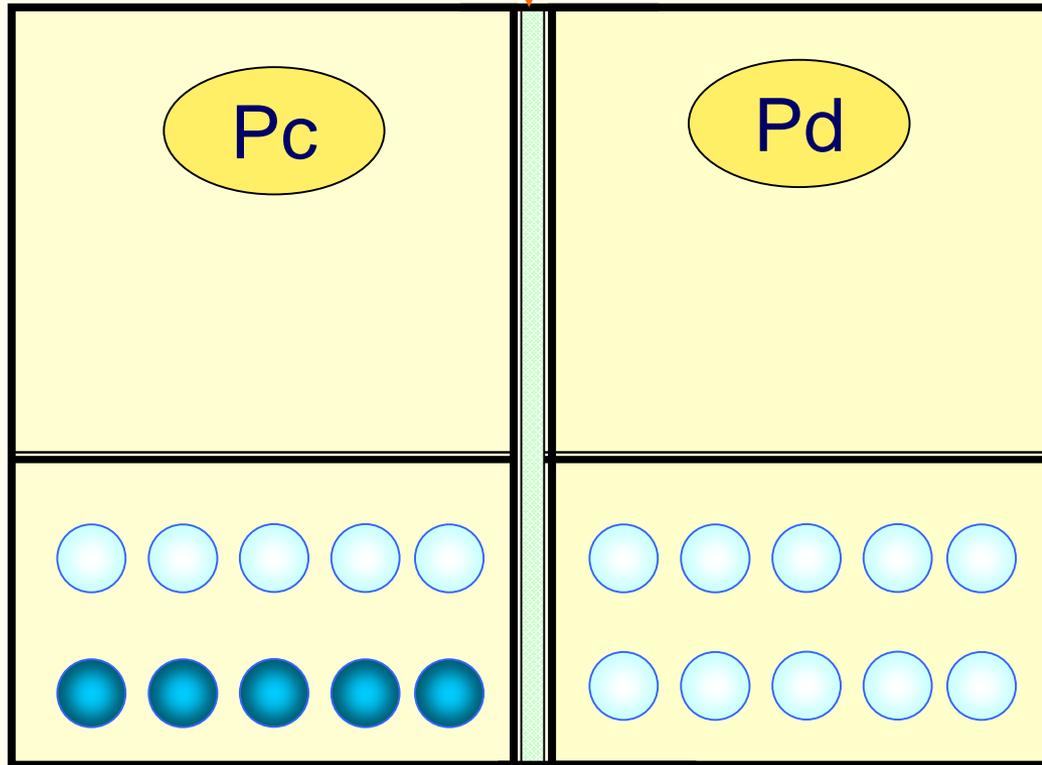
IMPURITIES IN WATER

- ◆ 1. แร่ธาตุ , สารอนินทรีย์ (Inorganics) : TDS, Conductivity
- ◆ 2. สารอินทรีย์ (Organics) : TOC
- ◆ 3. อนุภาค (Particulate) : Turbidity , SS , Colloids
- ◆ 4. จุลินทรีย์ (Microbiological) : Total Plate Count
- ◆ 5. แก๊ส (Gases) : O₂ , CO₂



หลักการของ Osmosis (ธรรมชาติ)

Semi permeable Membrane 0.0001 μm



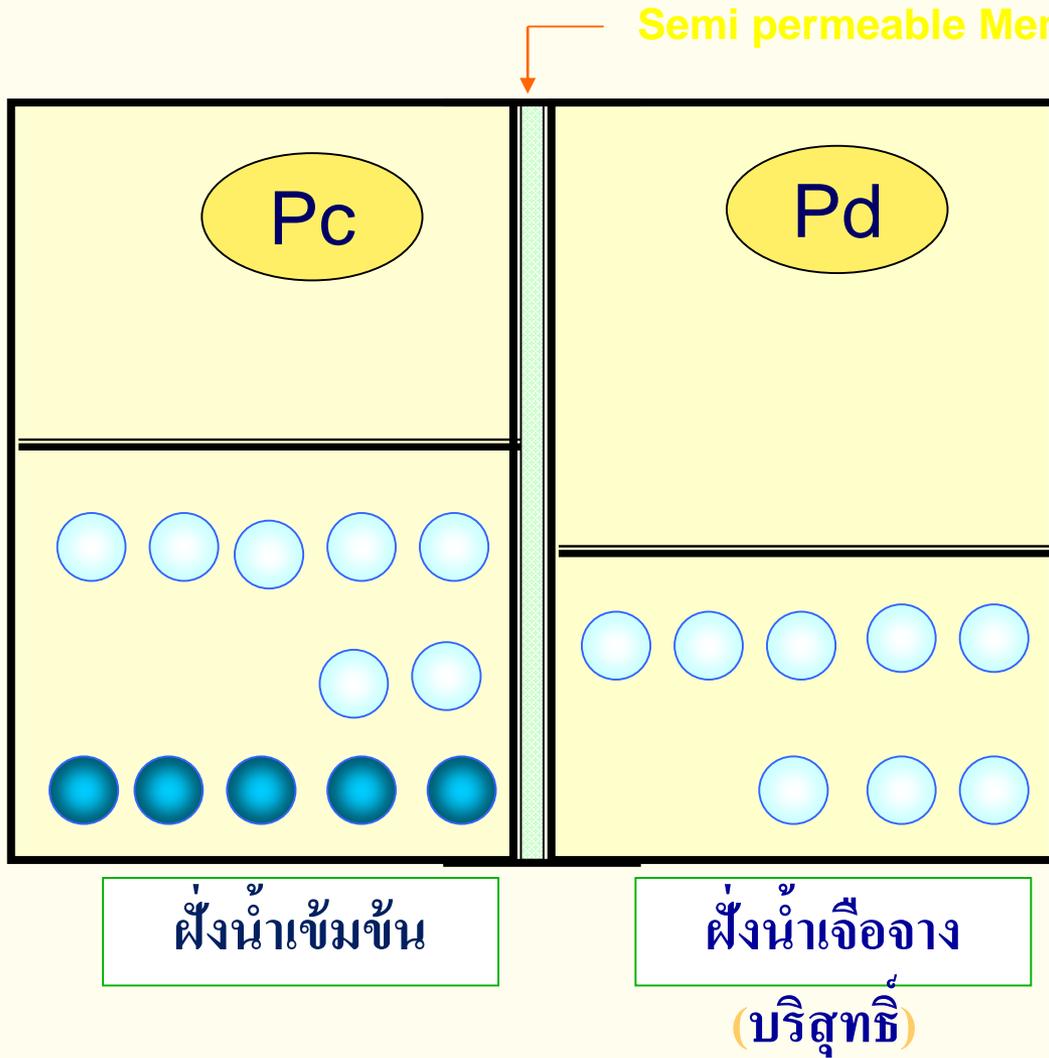
$P_d > P_c$

Start

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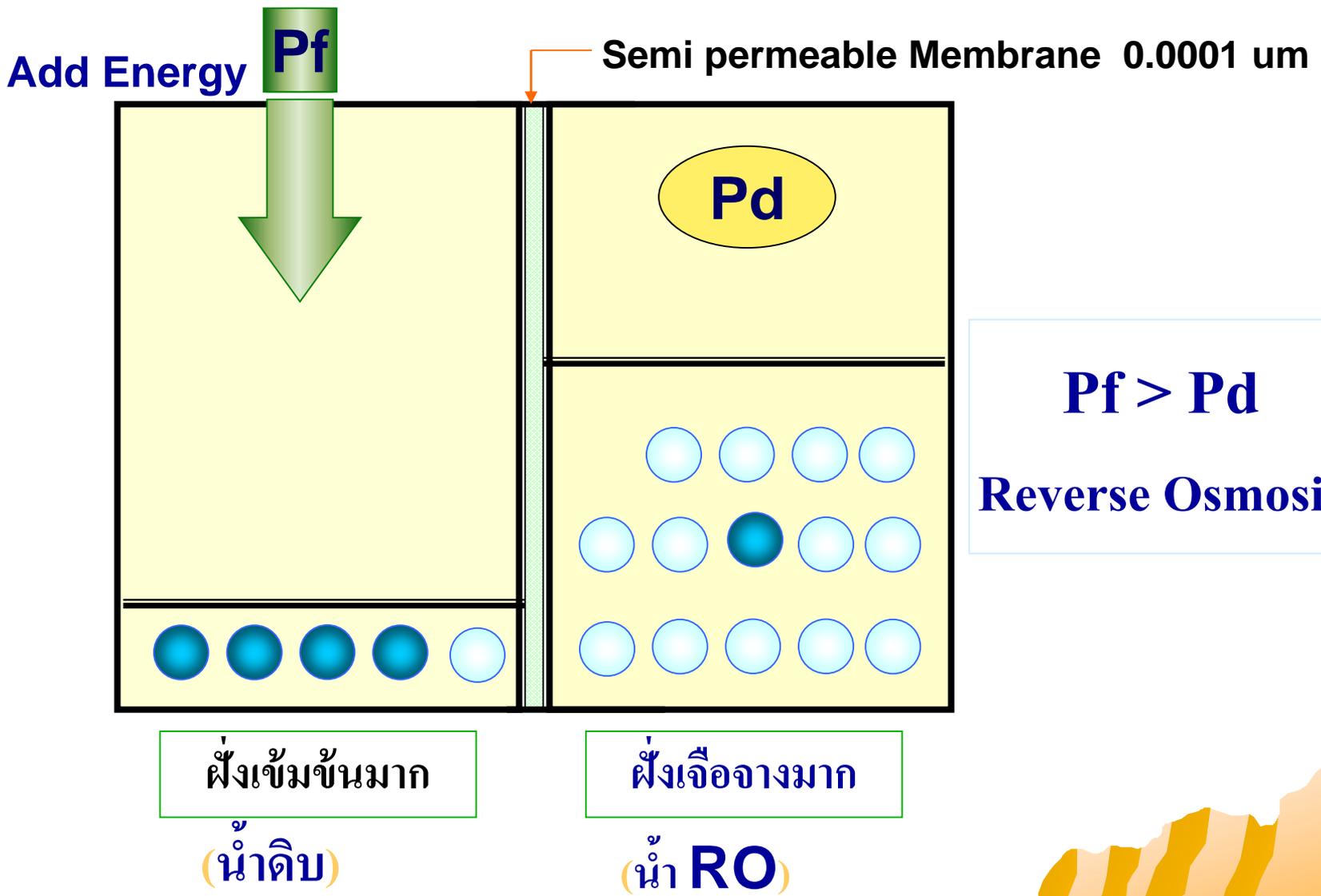
ฝั่งน้ำเจือจาง
(บริสุทธิ์)

หลักการของ Osmosis (ธรรมชาติ)



$P_d = P_c$
End Osmosis

หลักการของ Reverse Osmosis : RO (ย้อนธรรมชาติ)



Pressure Feed to Membrane

| Membrane Process | Typical Operating Pressure Range (bar) | Typical Operating pressure (psi) |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Reverse Osmosis Seawater | 55 – 76 | 800 - 1100 |
| Brackish water | 10 - 40 | 145 - 580 |
| Nanofiltration | 3.5 - 15 | 50 - 220 |
| Ultrafiltration | 2 – 7 | 30 - 100 |
| Microfiltration | 0.1-3 | 1.5 - 45 |

Factor Effect RO Performance

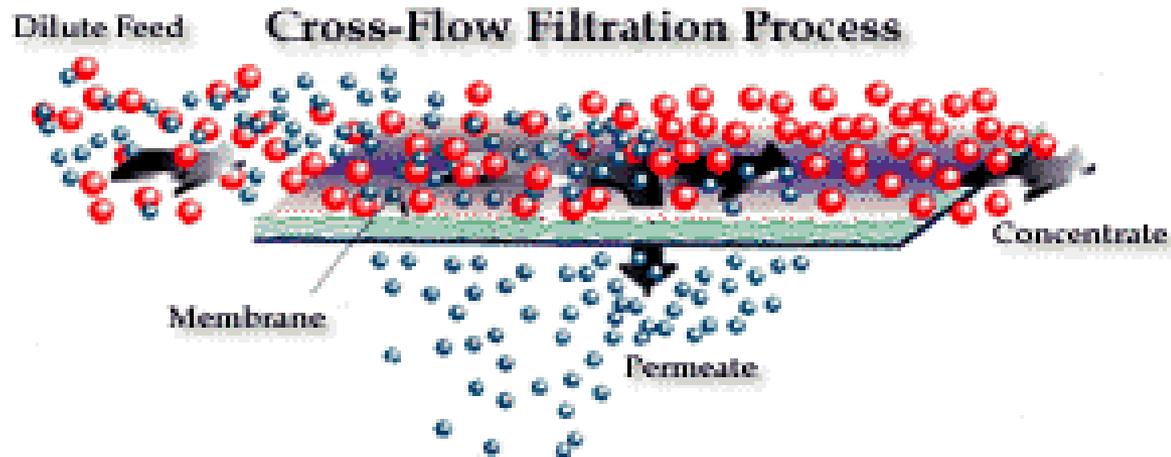
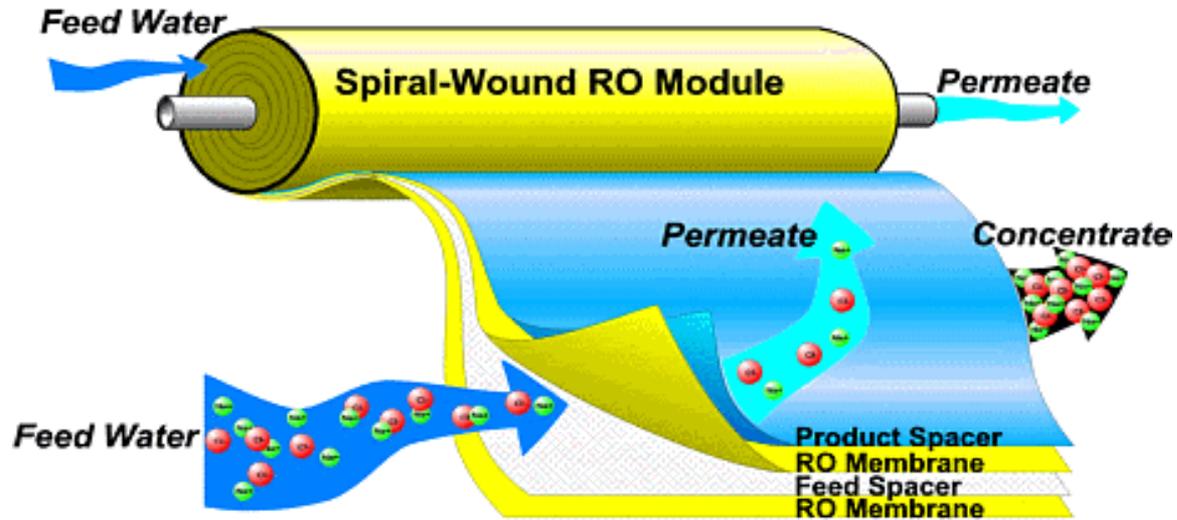
Factors which effect membrane performance



- Feedwater
 - Concentration
 - Temperature
 - Osmotic pressure
 - pH
- Operation parameters
 - Pressure
 - System recovery

Purification: Reverse Osmosis

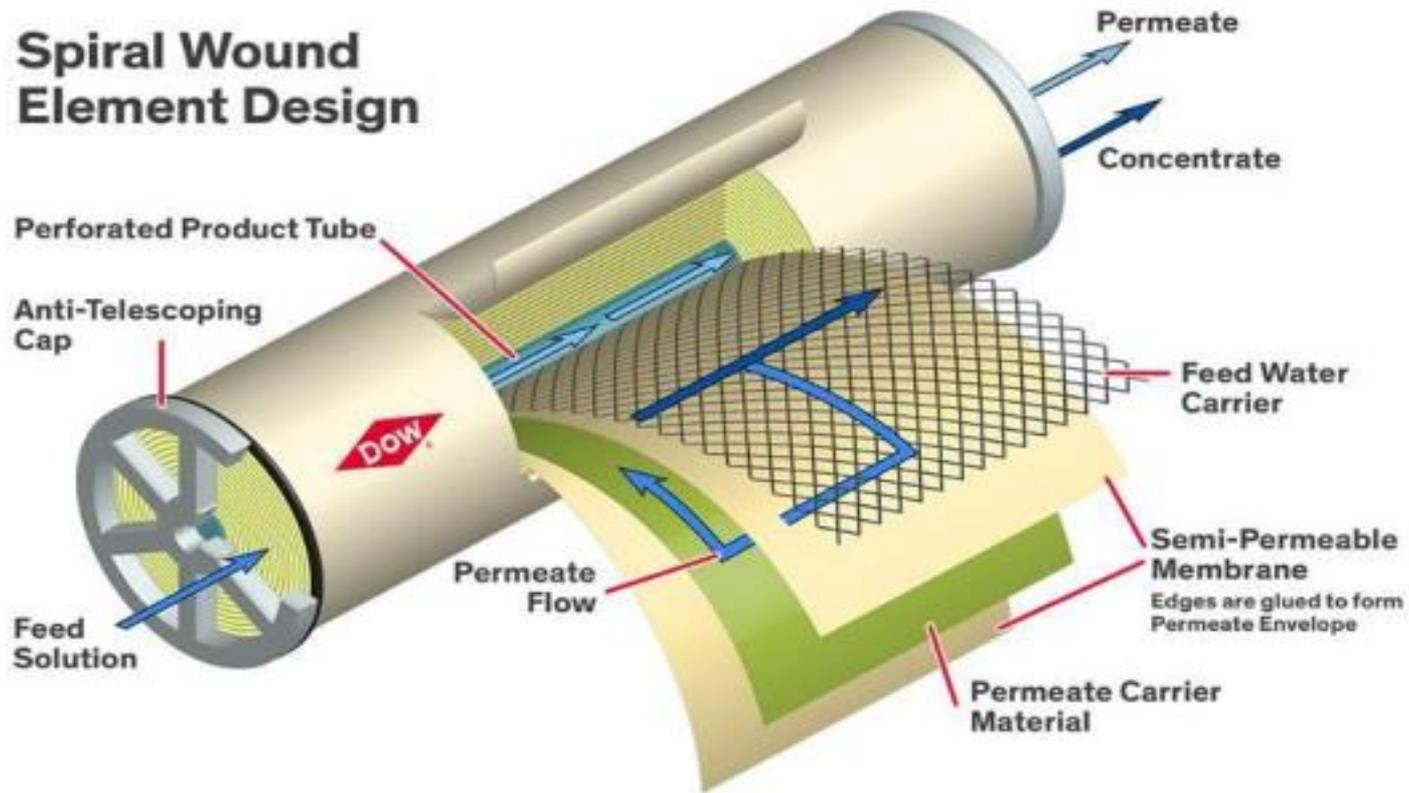
Membrane



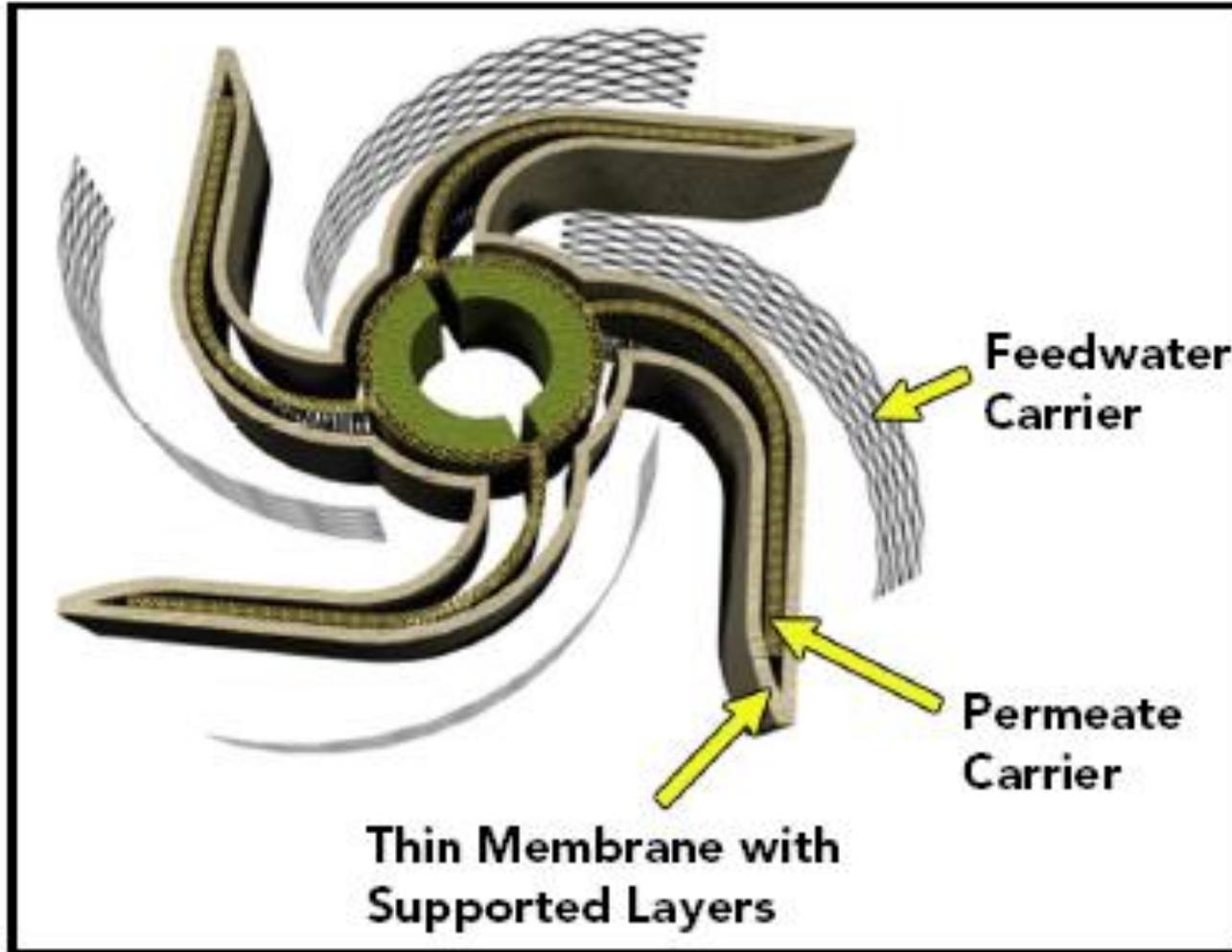
Spiral wound RO membrane element



Spiral Wound Element Design



Spiral Wound Membrane Leaves



RO's Feed Water Quality

Table 2.10 Guidelines for feedwater quality

| Component | Unit | Max. level | Comments & conditions |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------|---|
| SDI | 1 | 5 | See System Design Guidelines (Section 3.9) |
| MFI _{0.45} | 1 | 4 | Target: <1 |
| Oil and grease | mg/L | 0.1 | See Prevention of Fouling by Organics (Section 2.7) |
| TOC | mg/L | 3 | Synthetic organic compounds (SOC) have generally more adverse effects on RO/NF membranes compared with natural organic matters (NOM). - See Prevention of Fouling by Organics (Section 2.7) |
| COD | mg/L | 10 | |
| AOC | µg/l Ac-C | 10 | Target: <5 |
| BFR | pg/cm ² ATP | 5 | Target: <1 |
| Free chlorine | mg/L | 0.1 | Under certain conditions, the presence of chlorine and other oxidizing agents will cause premature membrane failure. Since oxidation is not covered under warranty, FilmTec recommends removing residual free chlorine by pretreatment prior to membrane exposure. - See Chlorination / Dechlorination (Section 2.6.3) |

R/O Unit Composition

- ◆ 1. Chemical Feed System : **Antiscale**, Acid,SBS
 - ◆ 2. Safety Filter Unit : Cartridge 5 micron
 - ◆ 3. High Pressure Pump :Multistage Centrifugal (Heavy Duty Type)
 - ◆ 4. Pressure Vessel -FRP Side Port ; **300** psi
 - ◆ 5. Membrane PA Type : **BW**
 - ◆ 6. Instruments: **Pressure, Flow Rate,Conductivity**,pH
 - ◆ 7. Auto flushing & Cleaning In Place System
 - ◆ 8. Piping & Valve : Stainless Steel / UPVC Sch.80 / PP
 - ◆ 9. Frame : Steel + Epoxy Coated / SUS304
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Pretreatment System Choice

- ◆ 1. SDI (Silt Density Index) Control System
 - ◆ *Remove colloid size 0.01 – 0.1 micron
 - ◆ - Clarifier System + Media Filtration
 - ◆ - In-Line Coagulation + Media Filtration
 - ◆ - UF System
 - ◆ 2. Scaling Control System
 - ◆ - Softener
 - ◆ - Antiscalant Feed system (@Flocon UK)
 - ◆ - Acidification
 - ◆ 3. De-chlorination System
 - ◆ - Activated Carbon Filter
 - ◆ - Sodium Metabisulfite Feed System
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Pretreatment System Choice

◆ 4. Biofouling Control System

- ◆ Chlorination
- ◆ Activated Carbon Filter
- ◆ Biocide Dosing
- ◆ Frequency Cleaning & Sanitizations (Weekly)
- ◆ System Continuous Running (Circulation)

◆ 5. Silica Fouling Control System

- ◆ Control Recovery Limit
- ◆ Antifoulant Feed system (Flocon 260)
- ◆



Pretreatment

Filtration

- Inline Coagulant Feed
- Multi-Media Filters , Activated Carbon Filter
- Ultrafiltration
- Cartridge Filters

Inline Coagulant Feed System

➤ Function

- Up size of Suspended Particles (Colloids) from $< 0.1 \mu\text{m}$ to Size $> 10 \mu\text{m}$

➤ Use PACH (High basicity type) (Dosage 1 ppm)

➤ Performance Criteria

- RO Feed SDI < 5

Inline Coagulant Feed



Anti-Scalant Injection

➤ Function

- Inhibits scale formation on RO membranes
- Improves scale removal

SBS / Antiscalant Feed



Cartridge Filters 1 – 5 Micron

➤ Function

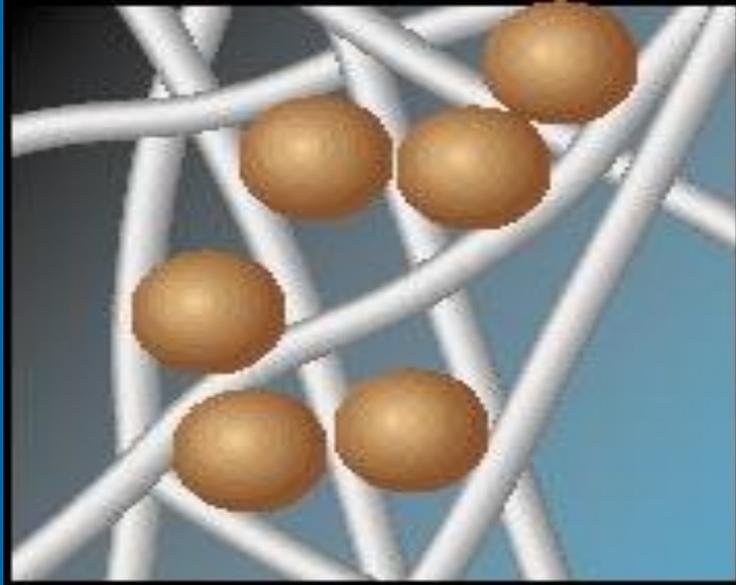
- Removes Suspended Particles ($\geq 1 - 5 \mu\text{m}$)
- Mechanical Filters
- Depth filters

➤ Operating Cost / Loss Improvement

- Filter replacement (when outlet pressure $< 10 \text{ psi}$)

Pretreatment

Cartridge Filters 1 – 5 Micron



Particles trapped in depth-type cartridge filter micro-fibers

Depth cartridge filter



Membrane Cleaning

1. When Cleaning For Membrane (Scaling / Fouling)

- Permeate Flow Drop 10-15%
- Salt Passage Increase 30-40%
- Differential Pressure Increase 10-15

2. Chemical For Cleaning

- Acid Cleaning (pH 1.5-2.5) For Clean Scaling
- Alkaline Cleaning (pH 11.5-12.5) For Clean Silt ,
Biofilm, Organics

Acid Cleaning for Membrane



Alkaline Cleaning for Membrane



System Monitoring

REVERSE OSMOSIS MINIMUM MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

| PARAMETER | MONITORING FREQUENCY (MINIMUM) |
|--|---|
| Total residual chlorine concentration in the RO feed | Daily |
| Discharge pressure of any well or booster pumps | 2X / Day |
| Pressure drop of all filters | 2X / Day |
| Consumption of any chemicals | Daily |
| Calibration of all gauges and meters based on manufacturer's recommendation (method and frequency) | Not less than 1X / 12 months |
| Any unusual incidents (upset or shutdown) | As they occur |
| All RO operating parameters (pressure, flows, conductivity, normalized permeate flow, % recovery, % rejection) | 1X / shift; take average of data and enter into spreadsheet |

RO Trouble & Shooting

- **1. Low Product Flow , Increase P**
- - Colloidal Fouling (High Conduct)
- - Metal Oxide Fouling (High Conduct)
- - Biofouling (Normal Conduct)
- - Organics fouling (Low Conduct)
- - Scaling (High Conduct)



Figure 8.4 Picture of biofilm on membrane surface

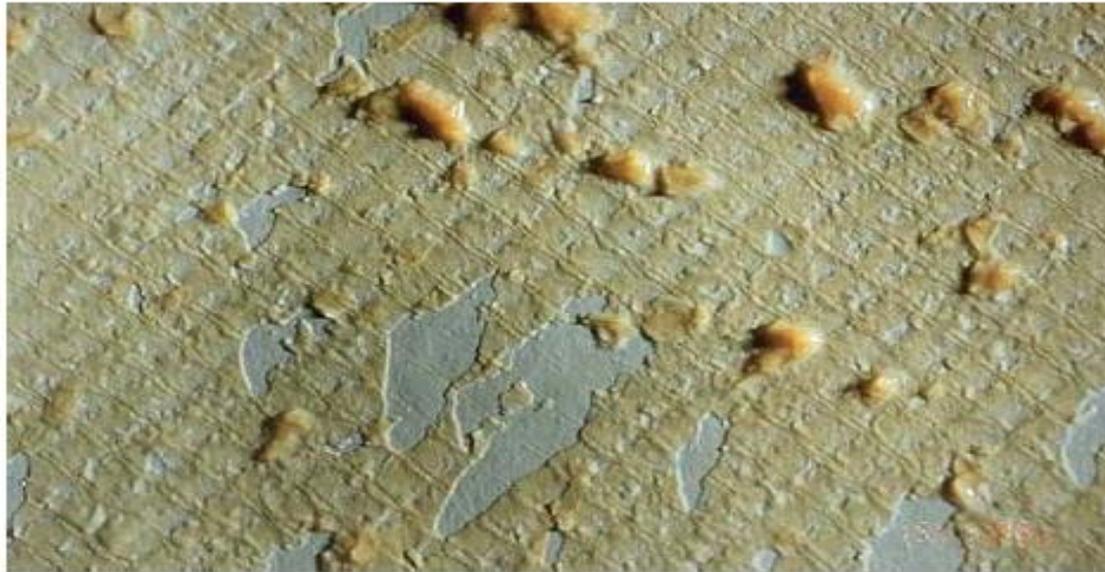


Figure 8.5 Picture of feed spacer with biofilm

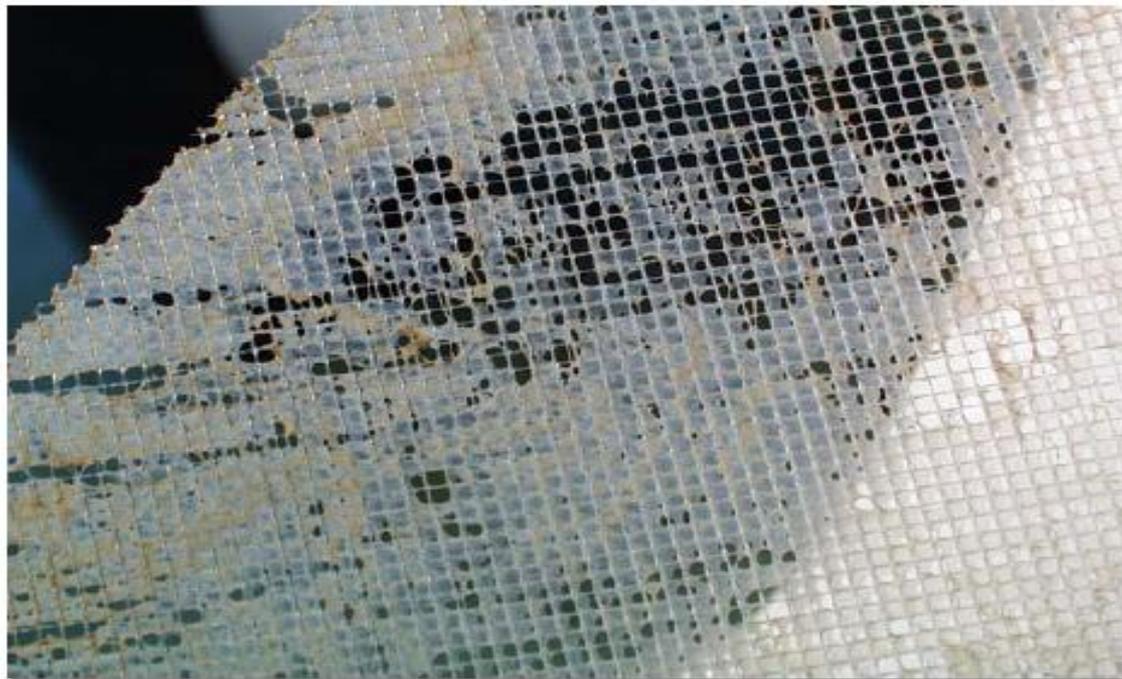


Figure 8.7 Picture of scaled membrane surface with imprints from the feed spacer



Figure 8.10 Picture of damaged fiberglass shell

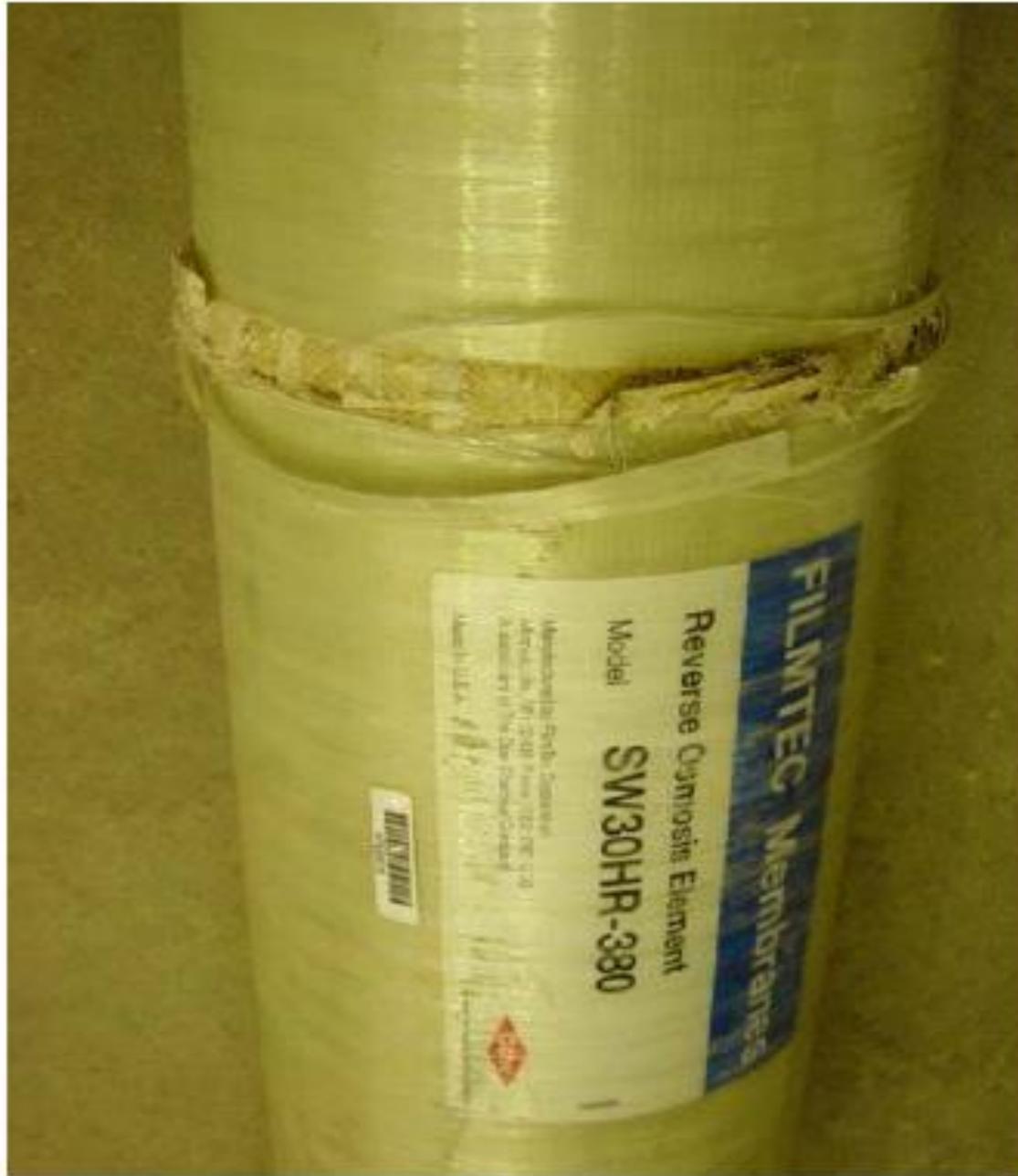


Figure 8.9 The endcap has been pushed off

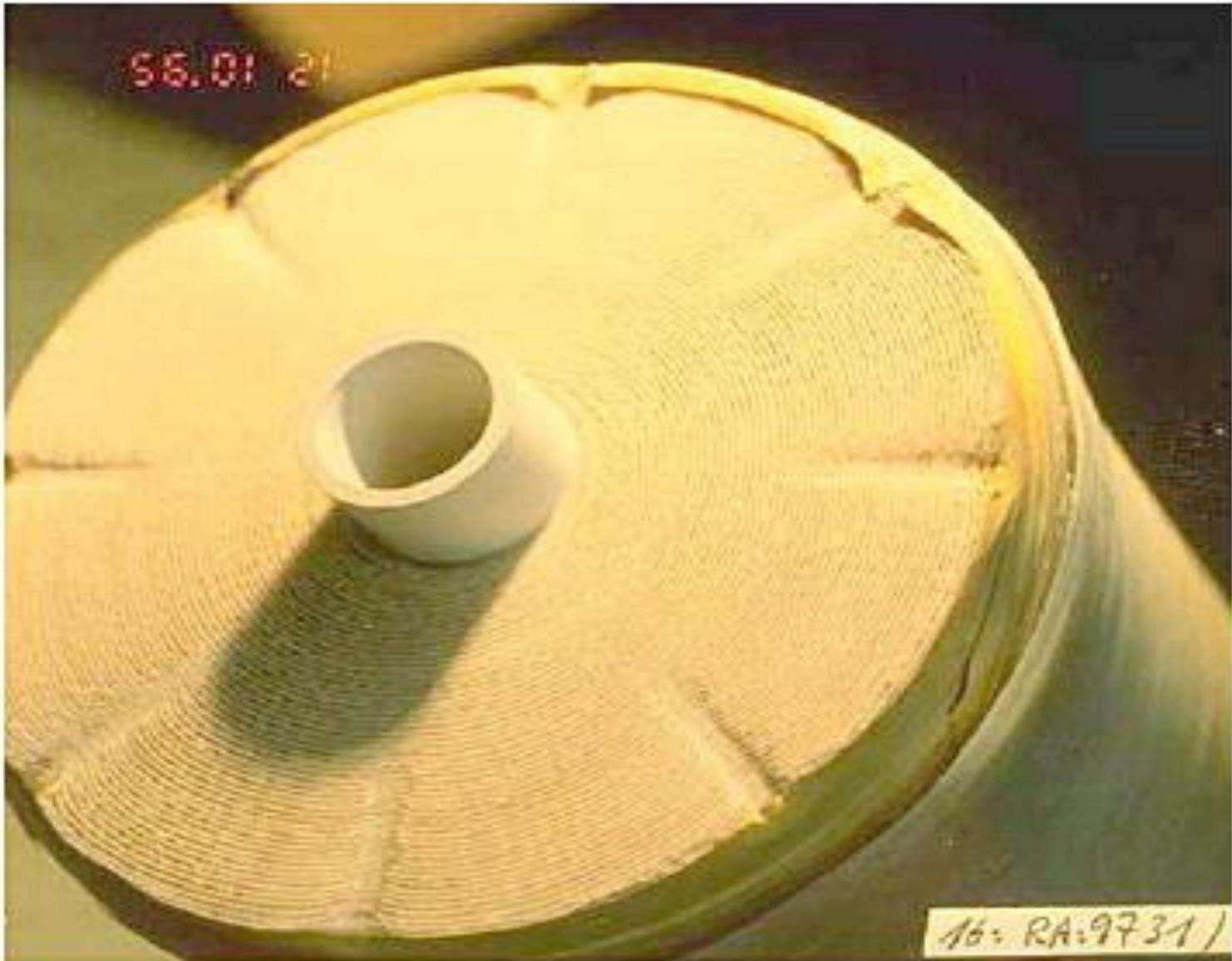
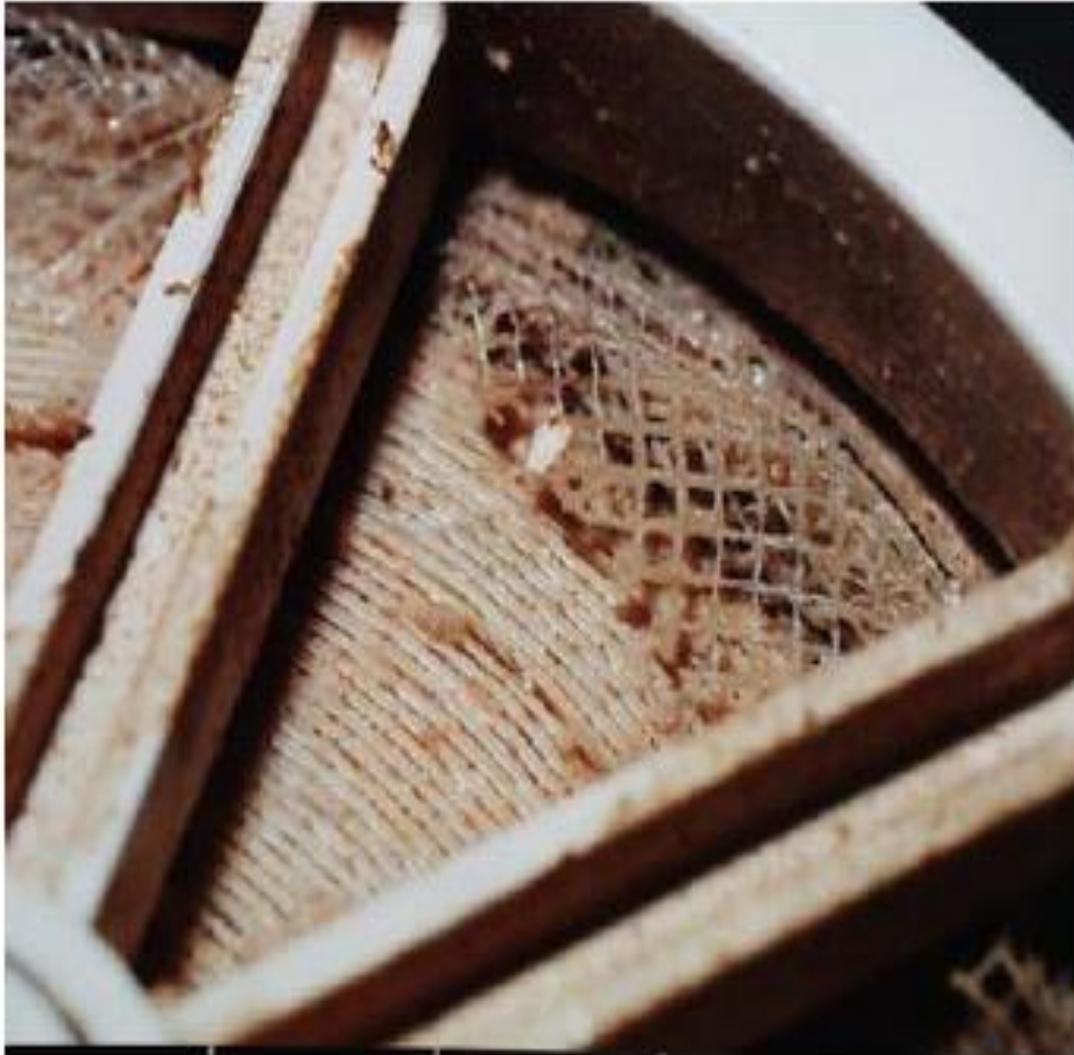


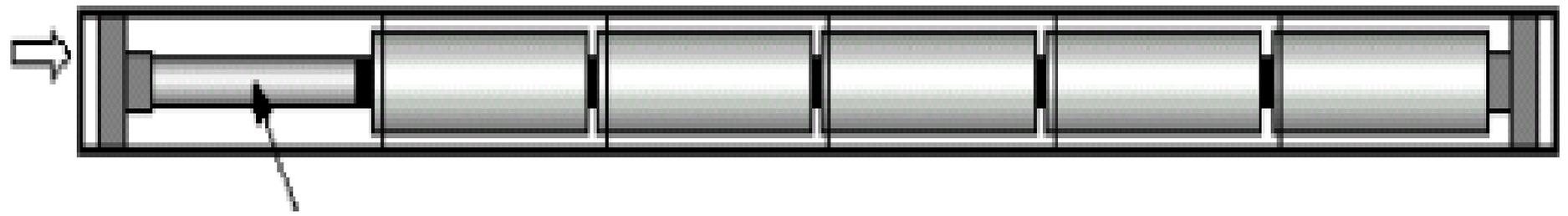
Figure 8.11 High pressure drop due to biofouling has pushed out the feed spacer



RO Trouble & Shooting

- **2. High Product Flow , Decrease Pressure**
- **- O-ring leak (High Conduct)**
- **- Membrane Degraded (High Conduct)**

Feed Direction



Element Spacer Installed in First Position



