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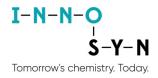
Cryogenic flow chemistry made easy



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Co-operation



De Dietrich Process Systems

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more than 335 years

France with 15 subsidiaries worldwide 1200 employees

Know how and equipment

- ROSENMUND®
- Filter dryers

• QVF®

- Borosilicate glass 3.3
- De Dietrich®
- Glass-lined equipment
- Batch reactor technology
- Thermal separation technology
- Plants for corrosive processes

InnoSyn B.V. www.innosyn.com

3 years but more than 26 years experience

Netherlands 60 employees

Know how and services

- New and improved chemical routes
- Photo chemistry
- Flow chemistry and reactors
- Bio- and Chemo catalysis
- Optimization of reaction processes
- Scale-up of reaction process

Equipment manufacturing Engineering, Project management



Chemical research, Process design

Complementary competences

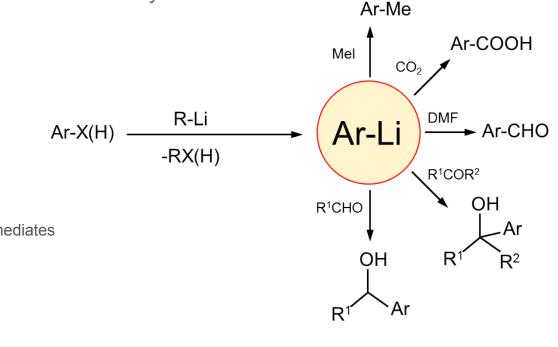


Cryogenic Chemistry

I-N-N-O S-Y-N Tomorrow's chemistry. Today.

Syntheses routes at low temperature - commonly down to -100°C

Such as organolithium chemistry



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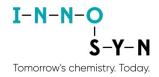
Typicals

- Unstable intermediates
- Exothermic
- Fast

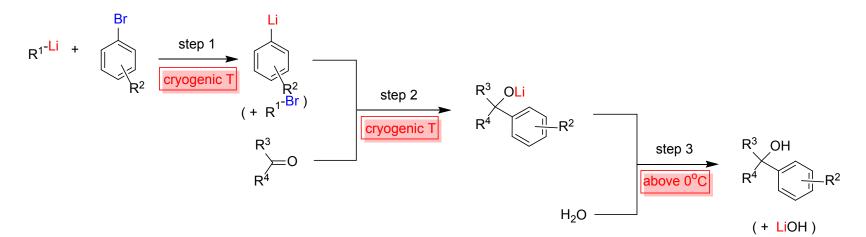
Challenges

- Degradation of the intermediate
- Production rate limited by cooling capacity
- Costs for low temperature cooling

Organolithium chemistry



3 Step model reaction as basis for design of the skid



Capacity Range

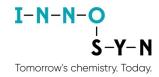
■ 1 – 5 kg/h as 5 m% solution after quench

Objectives

- Pilot plant unit for process development and small production
- Maximum yield at less challenging temperatures
- Fast reliable scale-up
- Small footprint



The impact of processing mode

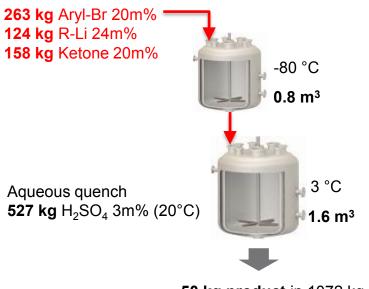


50kg in batch mode

	Mass (kg)	Heat (MJ)	Cooling time (h)	Exposure time (h)
Precool aryl-Br	263	53	3.4	
Dose R-Li	124	106	6.9	6.9
Dose ketone	158	96	6.3	6.3
Total	545	254	16.6	

Productivity 4 kg/m³h (50 kg / 7.06 h / 0.8 m³)

	Batch
Reactor size	800 L
Installation footprint	Large
Exposure time	Hours
Required temperature	-80°C



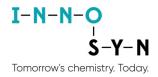
50 kg product in 1072 kg

Cooling capacity 4 kW

- K 200 W/m²°C heat transfer coefficient
- A 2 m²
- ΔT 10 °C



The impact of processing mode



50kg in continuous mode

	Total flow (kg/h)	Cooling (kW)	Exposure time (s)
Reactor 1	23.3	2.4	18
Reactor 2	32.8	1.5	10
Total		3.9	

Productivity 12000 kg/m³h (50 kg / 16.6 h / 0.25 L)

	140 ml	110 ml -60 °C	100 ml 3 °C	➡ 64.6 kg/h
Aryl-Br 15.8 kg/h	R-Li 7.5 kg/h	Ketone 9.5 kg/h	3% H₂SO₄ 31.7 kg/h	
		16	.6 h	

Cryostat power 4 kW

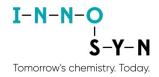
50 kg product in 1072 kg

	Batch	Continuous
Reactor size	800 L	0.25 L
Installation footprint	Large	Small
Exposure time	Hours	Seconds
Required temperature	-80°C	-60°C

Flow reactors offer a clear advantage



The Flow Reactor



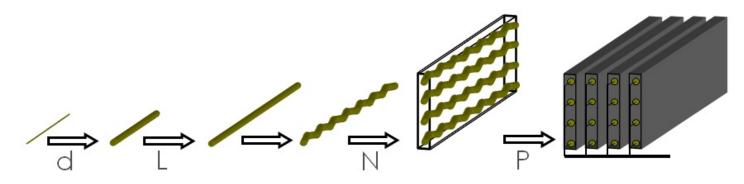
Performance originates from channel geometry and dimension



Performance

Mixing time	0,001-0,1 s		
Heat transfer coeff.	$2000 - 10,000 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$		
Heat transfer area	1000 - 4000 m²/m³		

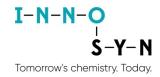
Reactor development and scale-up



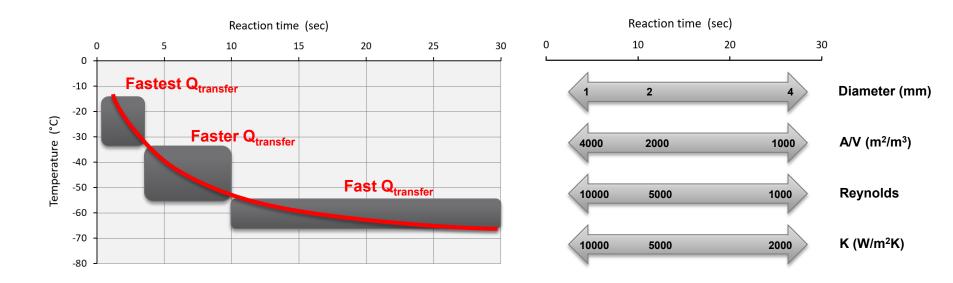
Channel design Optimize geometry and volume vs. heat transfer capability Numbering-up Minimize number of parallel channels and modules



Design the reactor to the needs



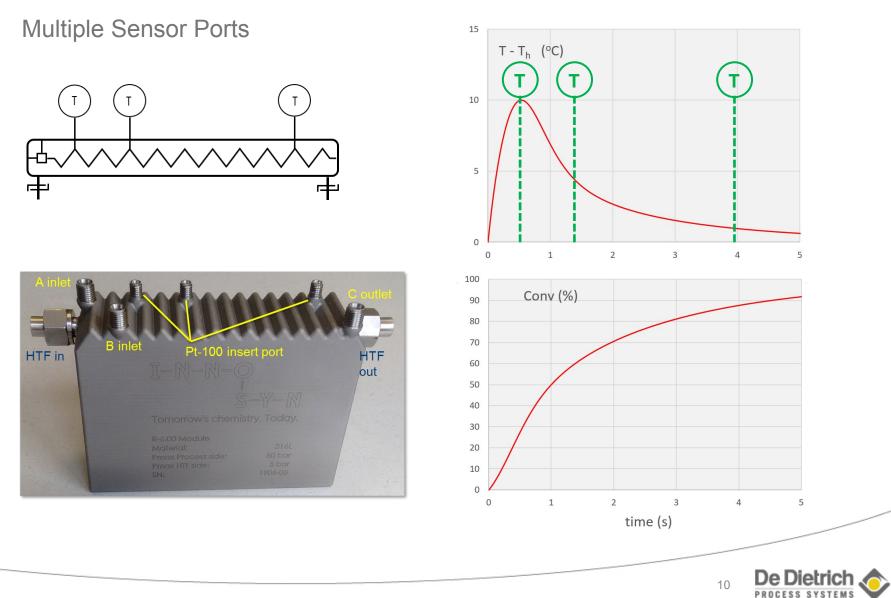
Kinetics can vary significantly



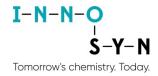
Channel design allows to fit the reactor performance to the needs of the chemistry



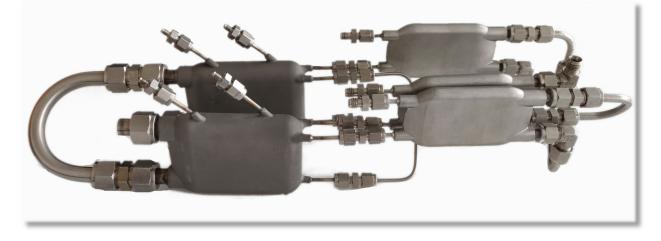
The Flow Reactor – Process Control



The advantage of modular design



Modules can vary in size and functionality

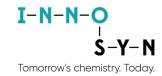


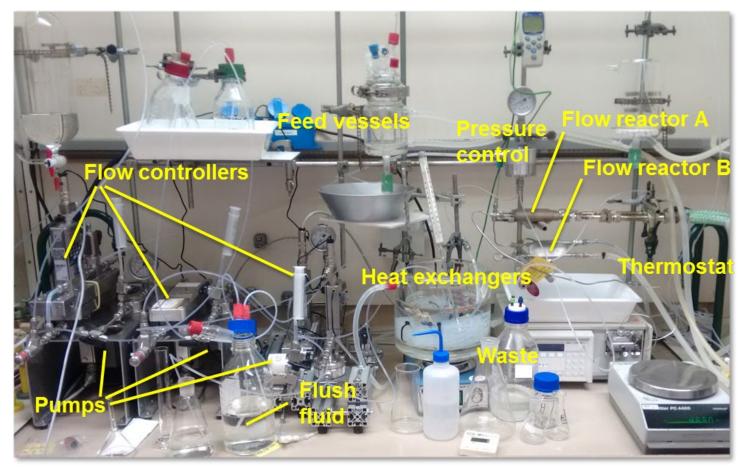


Modular design allows for flexible and fast (re)configuration of the reactor system



Flow reactor set-up in the laboratory





Auxiliary systems introduce quite some complexity







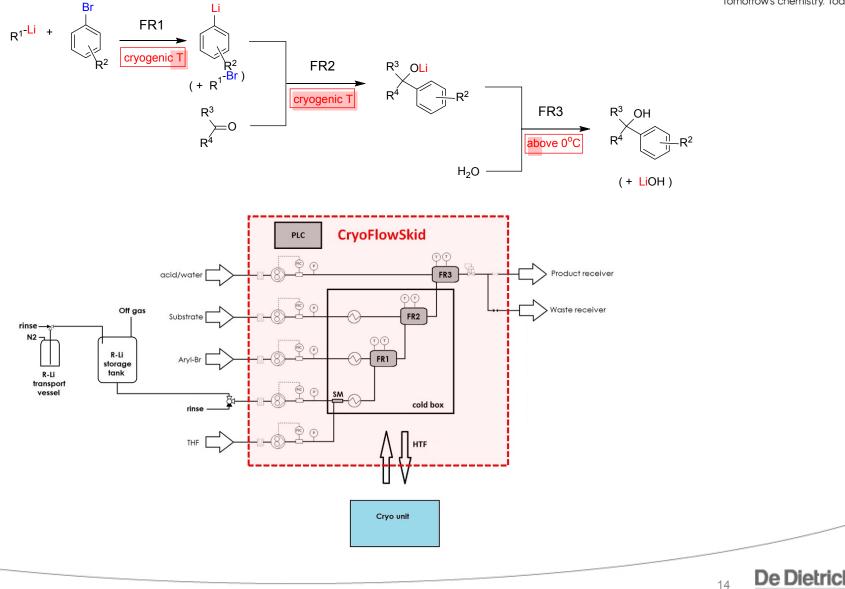
CryoFlowSkid





CryoFlowSkid – All Included





CryoFlowSkid in Place

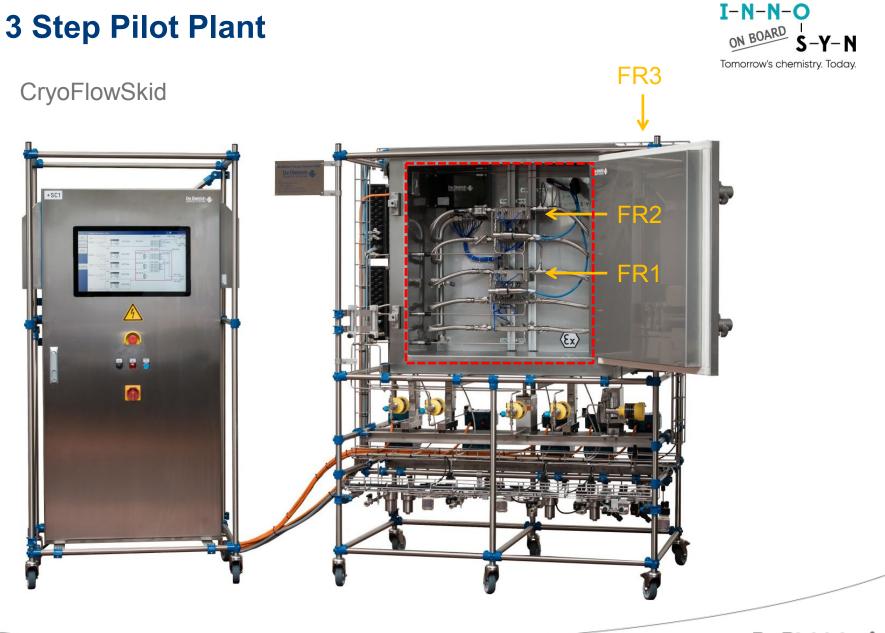




Cryostat – Cooling Capacity : 5kW at -80°C







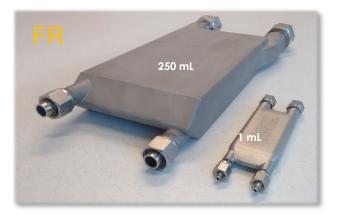


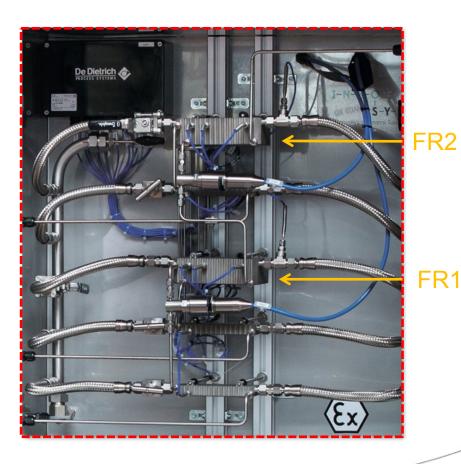
Flexibility



Easy access to adapt reactors and piping

- Various cryogenic chemistries
- Up to 3 Steps
- Printed pre-coolers and reactors to fit
 - Flow rate
 - Kinetic rate
 - Heat production
 - · Corrosive media





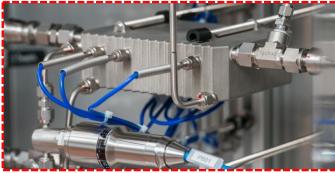


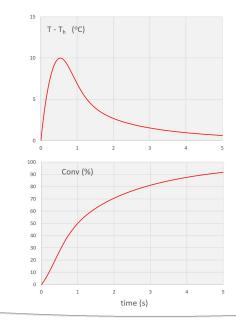
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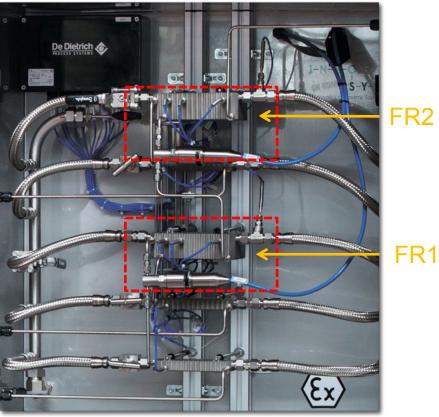
Process Monitoring



Temperature profile along the flow reactor









Process Monitoring

Reliable controls for on-spec process

- > Temperature measurements to follow reaction
- Pressure measurement to follow reliable operation
- > Coriolis mass flow meters to control the pumps
- Gear type pumps for pulsation free flows
- Process Analytical Technology as per specific project





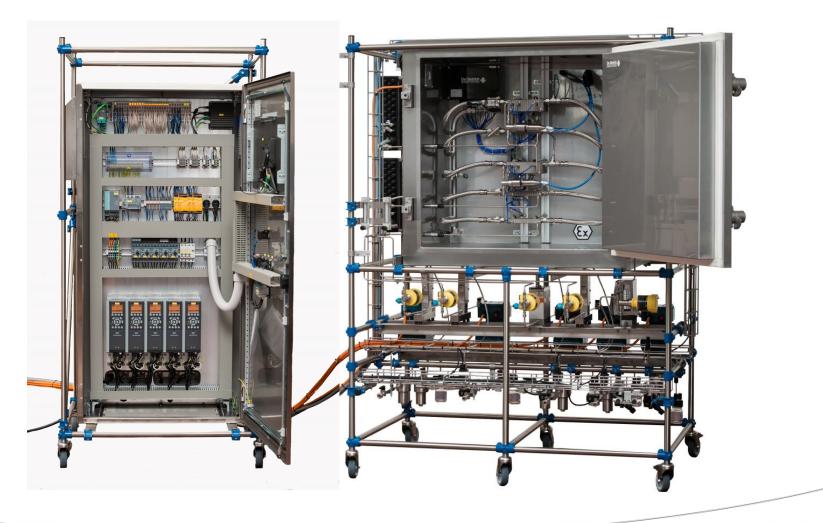




Process Control System



Automation Cabinet incl. soft PLC and HMI fully detachably connected

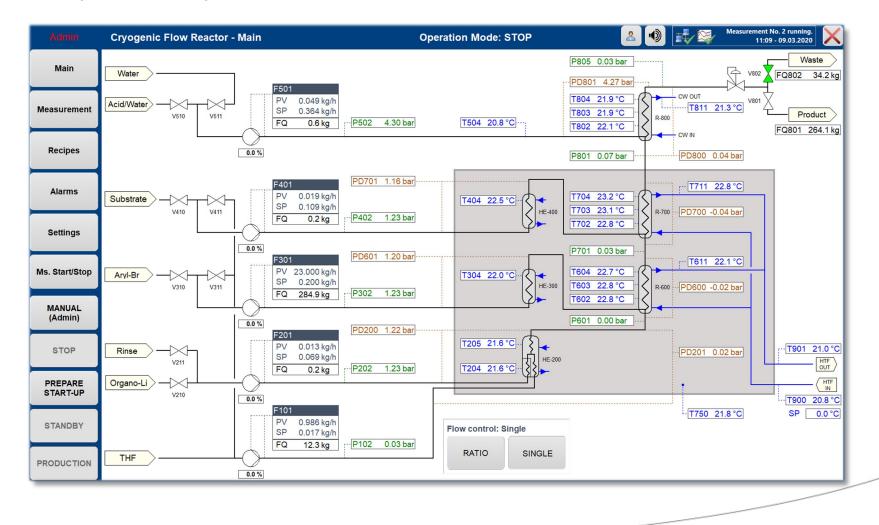




Process Control System



Comprehensive process control





Process Control System



Automation for unattended safe routine operation

Operational mode	power	сгуо	pumps	THF	R-Li	aryl-Br	ketone	outflow
Stop	on	off	off	-	-	-	-	waste
Start-up	on	on	on	on	THF	THF	THF	waste
Stand-by	on	on	on	on	THF	on	on	waste
In operation	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	waste
On-spec	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	product



Flow Chemistry – Cleaning



Difference to batch operation

- Displacing instead of draining
- Construction with low hold-up for fast displacement
- Construction avoiding dead volumes
- > Definition of proven rinsing procedures



Flow Chemistry – Clogging



Prevention

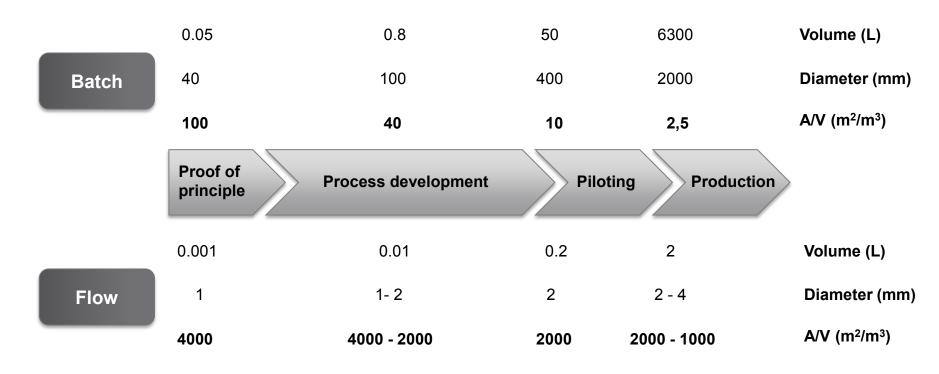
- Maximum channel diameter
- Filtration of all liquids
- > Solvents have to be dry to avoid precipitation of LiOH
- > Observation of fouling by following the pressure drop with pressure sensors
- Rinsing incl. periodical rinsing cycles







Heat transfer and equipment size





Flow Chemistry – Advantages

Cryogenic flow chemistry is an excellent example

- Smaller volumes in the equipment
 - Safety
 - Footprint and space
- High heat transfer rates
 - Efficiency
 - Productivity
 - Selectivity
 - Less need for deep cooling
 - Robust Scalability





Summary

Cryogenic flow chemistry made easy







Continuous kg-Production

- Cryogenic reactions
- 3 Steps in 1 system
- Ready for operation
- Fully automated

Plug & Produce & Develop

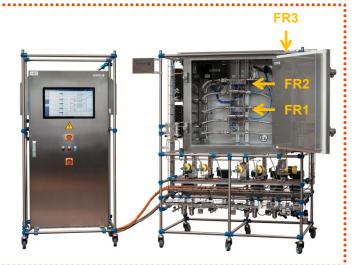
Operating range

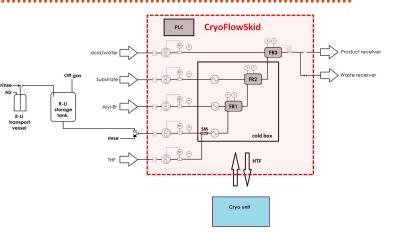
- Temperature: -60 to +100 °C
- Pressure: up to 20 barg
- Hydraulic throughput: up to 100 l/h
- Production capacity: up to 5 kg/h













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