



Process Intensification Case Studies

Case study 1 – Batch to Continuous

The Challenge

Our client was a chemical manufacturer that wanted to move from a batch regime to continuous flow and utilise the benefits of Process Intensification.

Make significant energy and operating cost saving by;

- Highlighting the opportunity to remove one component completely from the process by exploring higher temperatures and mixing energies.
- Reducing and potentially eliminating the need for downstream energy hungry separation processes such as distillation.
- Reducing the full-scale reaction time from hours in batch reaction to seconds in continuous flow.



Example of a static mixer used for continuous operation (Kenics KM, 6 Element, 1")

The Benefits

BHR Group increased the clients knowledge of its process behaviour by;

- Understanding the minimum mixing energy required for adequate mass transfer.
- Deriving a rate expression to model process behaviour.
- Defining the full scale process environment which produced 'laboratory reaction time-scales' at full-scale production rates.

Case study 2 – Removal of by-products

The Challenge

Our client was a multinational manufacturer and wanted to exploit the benefits of reducing the volume of byproducts that were created as a result of their process mixing.

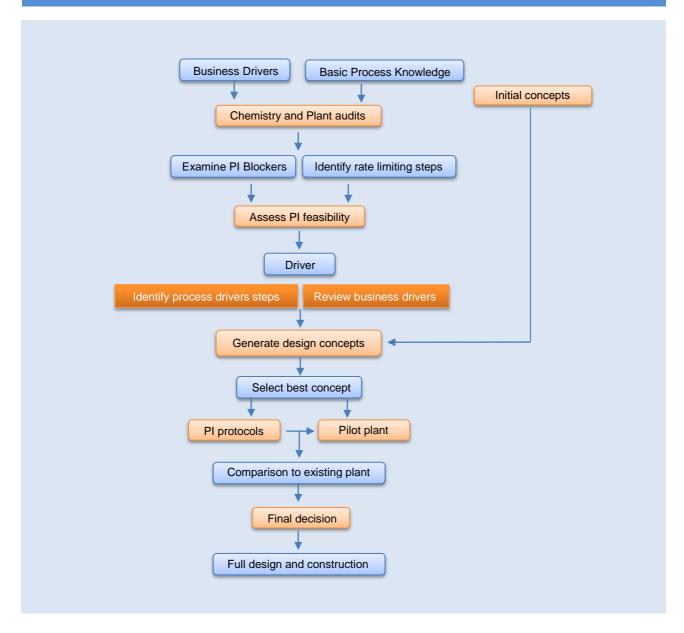
The Benefits

The study conducted by BHR Group improved the clients understanding of its process behaviour by;

- Successfully gaining the heat of reaction and kinetic information that was originally unknown or difficult to measure.
- Demonstrating that the reaction time could be brought down from 10's of minutes to fewer than 5 minutes.
- Proving that they could reduce by-product yields and benefiting from less downstream separation.



For any Process Intensification case BHR Group follows the same methodology



BHR Group, working together with our clients

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