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Safety Guideline for Turbomolecular Pumps

Turbomolecular pumps as described in the following operating manual contain a large amount of kinetic energy due to the high rotational speed in combination with the specific mass of their rotors.

In case of a malfunction of the system for example rotor/stator contact or even a rotor crash the rotational energy may be released.

WARNING!



To avoid damage to equipment and to prevent injuries to operating personnel the installation instructions as given in this manual should be strictly followed!

General Information

This equipment is destined for use by professionals. The user should read this instruction manual and any other additional information supplied by Agilent before operating the equipment. Agilent will not be held responsible for any events occurring due to non-compliance, even partial, with these instructions, improper use by untrained persons, non-authorized interference with the equipment or any action contrary to that provided for by specific national standards.

The Turbo-V 81-M is a turbo-molecular pump for high and ultra-high vacuum applications which can pump any type of non-corrosive gas or gas compound. It is not suitable for pumping liquids or solid particles.

The pumping action is obtained through a high speed turbine (max. 80000 rpm) driven by a high-performance 3-phase electric motor. The Turbo-V 81-M is free of contaminating agents and, therefore, is suitable for applications requiring a "clean" vacuum.

The following paragraphs contain all the information necessary to guarantee the safety of the operator when using the equipment. Detailed information is supplied in the appendix "Technical Information".

This manual uses the following standard protocol:

WARNING!

The warning messages are for attracting the attention of the operator to a particular procedure or practice which, if not followed correctly, could lead to serious injury.

CAUTION!

The caution messages are displayed before procedures which, if not followed, could cause damage to the equipment.

NOTE

The notes contain important information taken from the text.

Storage

In order to guarantee the maximum level of performance and reliability of Agilent Turbomolecular pumps, the following guidelines must be followed:

- when shipping, moving and storing pumps, the following environmental specifications should not be exceeded:
 - temperature range: -20 °C to 70 °C
 - relative humidity range: 0 to 95 % (non condensing)
- the turbomolecular pumps must be always soft-started when received and operated for the first time by the customer
- the shelf life of a turbomolecular pump is 10 months from the shipping date.

CAUTION!

If for any reason the shelf life time is exceeded, the pump has to be returned to the factory. Please contact the local Agilent Vacuum Sales and Service representative for informations.

Preparation for installation

The Turbo-V 81-M is supplied in a special protective pack-ing. If this shows signs of damage which may have oc-curred during transport, contact your local sales office.

When unpacking the pump, be sure not to drop it and avoid any kind of sudden impact or shock vibration to it.

Do not dispose of the packing materials in an unauthorized manner. The material is 100% recyclable and complies with EEC Directive 85/399.

CAUTION!

In order to prevent outgassing problems, do not use bare hands to handle components which will be exposed to vacuum. Always use gloves or other appropriate protection.

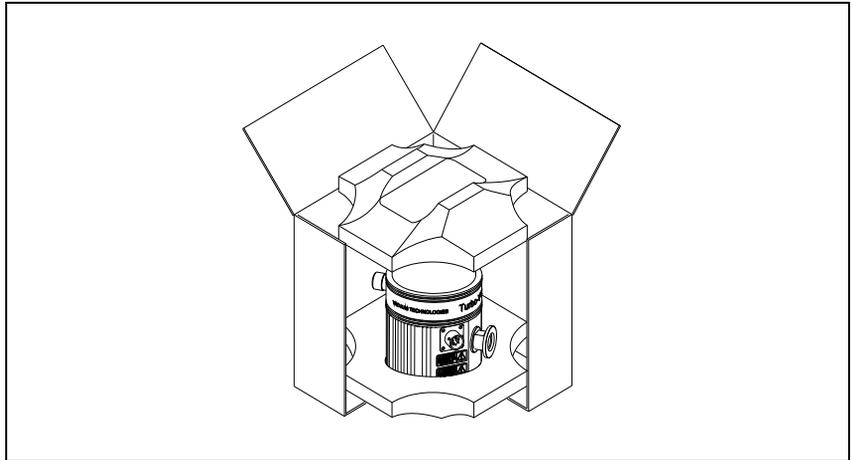


Figure 1

NOTE

Normal exposure to the environment cannot damage the Tur-bo-V 81-M. Nevertheless, it is advisable to keep it closed until it is installed in the system, thus preventing any form of pollution by dust.

Installation

CAUTION!

Do not remove the adhesive and protective cap before connecting the turbopump to the system.

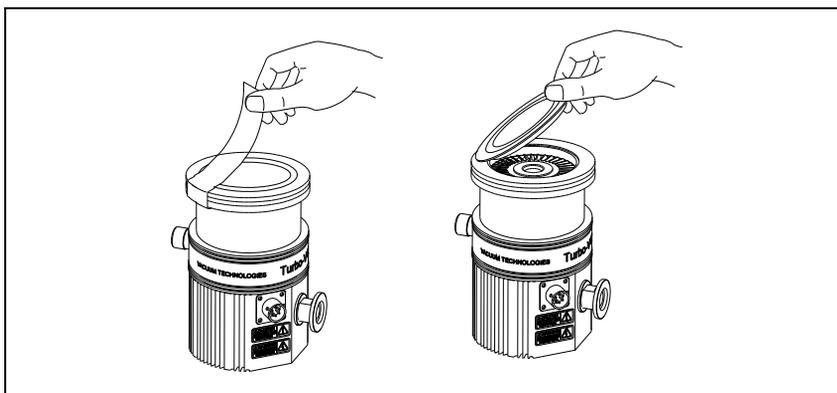


Figure 2

Do not install or use the pump in an environment exposed to atmospheric agents (rain, snow, ice), dust, aggressive gases, or in explosive environments or those with a high fire risk.

During operation, the following environmental conditions must be respected:

- maximum pressure: 2 bar above atmospheric pressure
- temperature: from +5 °C to +35 °C (see the diagram pressure-temperature in the appendix "Technical Information")
- relative humidity: 0 – 95 % (non-condensing)

In the presence of magnetic fields the pump must be protected using a ferromagnetic shield. See the appendix "Technical Information" for detailed information. The Turbo-V 81-M pumps must be used in conjunction with one of the suitable Agilent controller and they must be connected to a primary pump (see "Technical Information").

The available controllers are the following:

- Rack controller 81-AG: 969-8988
- Rack controller 81-AG RS232/485: 969-8989
- Rack controller 81-AG Profibus: 969-8990
- PCB 24 V: 969-9538
- Navigator Controller 81AG 24 Vdc: 969-8995
- Navigator Controller 81AG 100-240 Vac: 969-8996

The Turbo-V 81-M can be installed in any position. Fix the Turbo-V 81-M in a stable position connecting the inlet flange of the turbopump to a fixed counter-flange capable of withstanding a torque of 250 Nm around its axis.

For example the ISO 63 flange can be fixed using high strength steel clamps (as Agilent model IC 63250 DCMZ).

The following table shows the necessary number of clamps and the relevant fixing torque.

Tab. 1

FLANGE	FIXING DEVICE	N.	FIXING TORQUE
ISO 63	M10 clamps	4	22 Nm

The turbopump with ConFlat inlet flange must be fixed to the vacuum chamber by means of the appropriate Agilent hardware. See the appendix "Technical Information" for a detailed description.

NOTE

The Turbo-V 81-M cannot be fixed by means of its base.

CAUTION!

The Turbo-V 81-M belongs to the second installation (or overvoltage) category as per directive EN 61010-1. Connect the device to a mains line that satisfy the above category.

For installation of optional accessories, see "Technical Information".

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Use

Use

All the instructions to correctly use the turbopump are contained in the controller manual. Read carefully this manual before use the pump. To obtain better limit pressures it is possible to heat the pump.

While heating the vacuum chamber, the temperature of the inlet flange must not exceed 120 °C for a ConFlat flange and 80 °C for a ISO flange.

While heating always use the water cooling.

WARNING!



Never use the turbopump when the inlet flange is not connected to the vacuum chamber. Do not touch the turbopump or any of its accessories during the heating process. The high temperatures may cause burns.

CAUTION!

Avoid impacts, oscillations or harsh movements of the pump when in operation. The bearings may become damaged. Use air or inert gas free from dust or particles for venting the pump. The pressure at the vent port must be less than 2 bar (above atmospheric pressure). For pumping aggressive gases, these pumps are fitted with a special port to allow a steady flow of inert gas (like N₂, Ar) for pump bearing protection (see the appendix "Technical Information").

WARNING!



When employing the pump for pumping toxic, flammable, or radioactive gases, please follow the required procedures for each gas disposal. Do not use the pump in presence of explosive gases.

Maintenance

The Turbo-V 81-M series pumps does not require any maintenance. Any work performed on the system must be carried out by authorized personnel.

WARNING!

Before carrying out any work on the system, disconnect it from the mains, vent the pump by opening the appropriate valve, wait until the rotor has stopped turning and wait until the surface temperature of the pump falls below 50 °C.

In the case of breakdown, contact your local Agilent service center who can supply a reconditioned system to replace that broken down.

NOTE

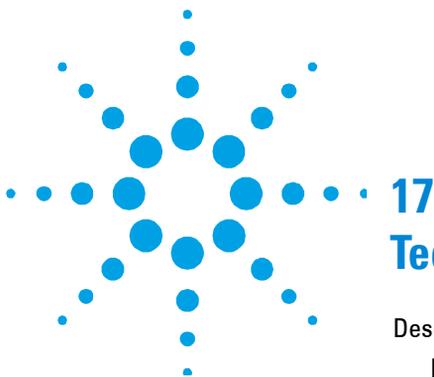
Before returning the pump to the constructor for repairs, or advanced exchange service, the "Health and Safety" sheet attached to this instruction manual must be filled-in and sent to the local sales office. A copy of the sheet must be inserted in the system package before shipping.

If a system is to be scrapped, it must be disposed of in accordance with the specific national standards.

Disposal

Meaning of the "WEEE" logo found in labels The following symbol is applied in accordance with the EC WEEE (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) Directive. This symbol (**valid only in countries of the European Community**) indicates that the product it applies to must NOT be disposed of together with ordinary domestic or industrial waste but must be sent to a differentiated waste collection system. The end user is therefore invited to contact the supplier of the device, whether the Parent Company or a retailer, to initiate the collection and disposal process after checking the contractual terms and conditions of sale.





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Description of the Turbo-V 81-M

The Turbo-V 81-M pump is available in four versions. The difference among the four versions lies purely in the high vacuum connection.

The four versions are:

- Model 969-8901 with ISO 63 high vacuum flange;
- Model 969-8902 with KF 40 NW high vacuum flange;
- Model 969-8903 with ConFlat 4.5" external diameter high vacuum flange;
- Model 969-8904 with ConFlat 2.75" external diameter high vacuum flange.

Pump Description

The pump consists of a high frequency motor driving a turbine fitted with 9 bladed stages and 3 Macrotorr stages. The turbine rotates in an anticlockwise direction when viewed from the high vacuum flange end.

The turbine is made of high-strength aluminium alloy, machined from a single block.

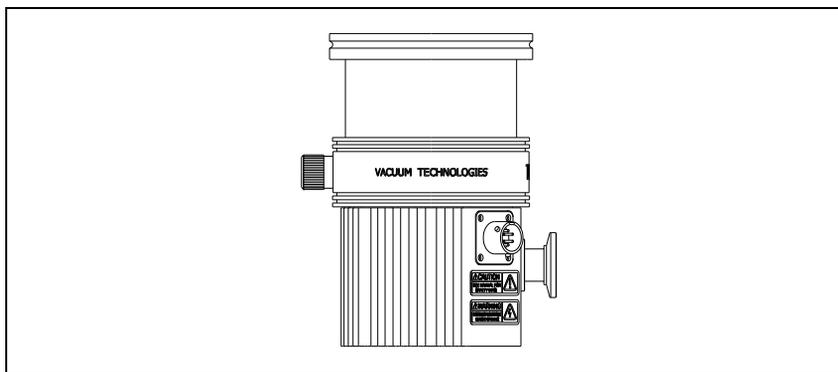


Figure 3 Model 969-8901

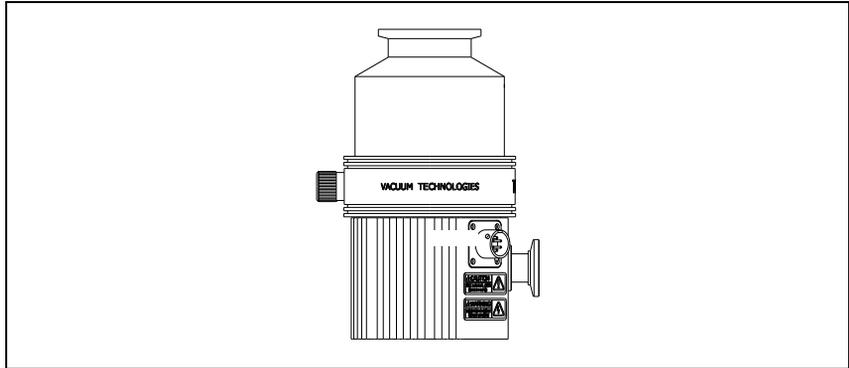


Figure 4 Model 969-8902

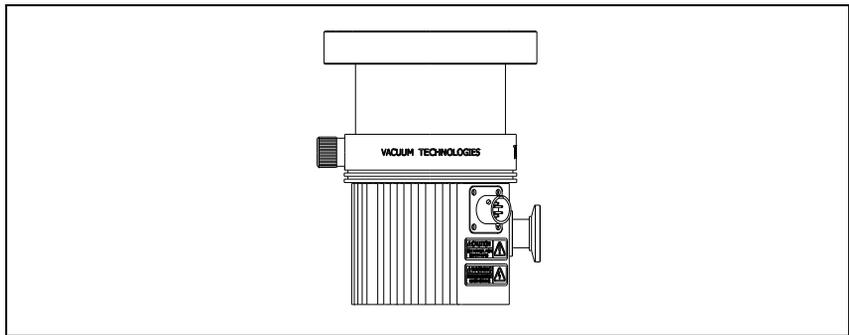


Figure 5 Model 969-8903

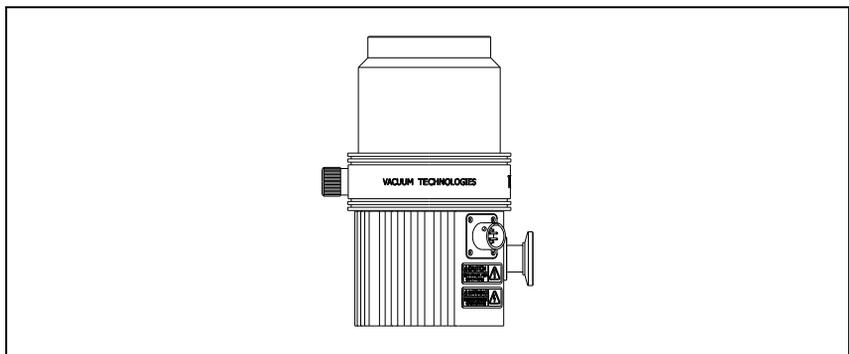


Figure 6 Model 969-8904

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Proceeding from the high vacuum to the forevacuum region, the turbine stages sequence is:

- 1st stage with a blade angle of 40°,
- 2nd stage with a blade angle of 30°,
- 3rd stage with a blade angle of 24°,
- 4th and 5th stages with a blade angle of 18°,
- 6th stage with a blade angle of 14°;
- 7th, 8th and 9th stages with a blade angle of 12°.

The Macrotrorr stages are in the form of three discs.

The turbine rotor is supported by permanently lubricated high precision ceramic ball bearings installed on the forevacuum side of the pump.

The static blades of the stator are made of stainless steel. These are supported and accurately positioned by spacer rings.

The Macrotrorr stators are in the form of self-positioning machined discs with pumping channels and an opening restricted by the corresponding rotor discs. These are made of aluminium alloy.

During normal operation, the motor is fed with a voltage of 54 Vac three-phase at 1350 Hz (max). To reduce losses during start-up to a minimum, the frequency increases according to a ramp with a higher initial voltage/frequency ratio.

The pump can be water cooled or air cooled: in the first case the customer can use a dedicated external plate made of nickel-plated brass, in the second case an external optional fan is available.

A thermistor sensor is mounted near the upper bearing to prevent the pump from overheating.

The pump is balanced after assembly with a residual vibration amplitude less than 0.01 μm .

The pump can operate in any position and can be supported on the high vacuum flange. The connection of the forevacuum on the side of the pump is a KF 16 NW flange.

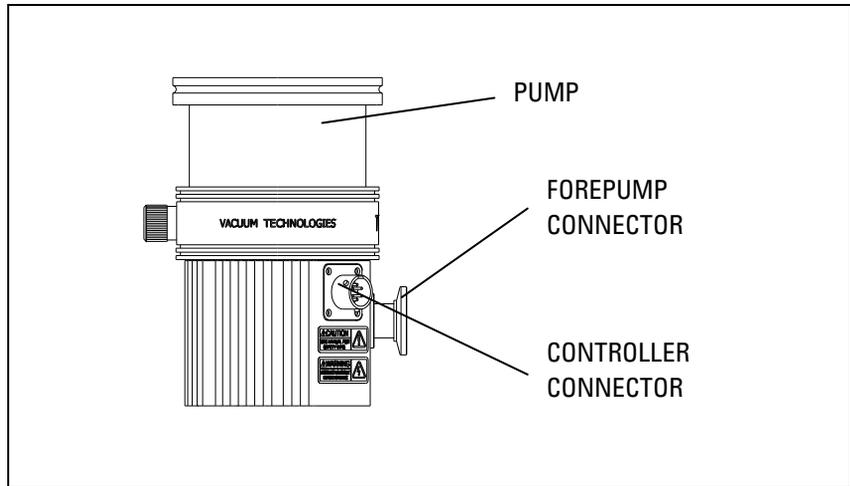


Figure 7

Technical Specification

Tab. 2 Technical Specification

Pumping speed	With ISO 63 or CFF 4.5"	With KF 40 NW or CFF 2.75"
	N ₂ : 77 l/s He: 65 l/s H ₂ : 50 l/s	N ₂ : 50 l/s He: 56 l/s H ₂ : 46 l/s
Compression ratio	N ₂ : 3 x 10 ⁸ He: 8 x 10 ⁴ H ₂ : 7 x 10 ³	
Base pressure * (with recommended forepump)	mechanical: 5 x 10 ⁻¹⁰ mbar (3.8 x 10 ⁻¹⁰ Torr) diaphragm: 5 x 10 ⁻⁹ mbar (3.8 x 10 ⁻⁹ Torr)	
Inlet flange	ISO 63 CFF 4.5" O.D.	KF 40 NW CFF 2.75" O.D.
Foreline flange	KF16 NW	
Rotational speed	1350 Hz (max)	
Start-up time	< 60 seconds	
Cooling requirements	Natural air convection Forced air or water optional	
Recommended forepump	mechanical: Agilent DS 42 – DS 102 dry pump: Agilent SH 100	
Operating position	any	
Coolant water	flow: 10 l/h (0.05 GPM) temperature: + 15 °C to + 35 °C pressure: 2 to 4 bar (30 to 60 Psi)	
Operating ambient temperature with natural air convection	+5 °C to +25 °C	
Operating ambient temperature with forced air cooling or water	+5 °C to +35 °C	
Bakeout temperature	120° C at inlet flange max. (CF flange) 80° C at inlet flange max. (ISO flange)	
Vibration level (displacement)	< 0.01 μm at inlet flange	
Noise level	≤ 45 dB (A) at 1 meter	

Compliance with:	UNI EN 292-1 UNI EN 292-2 EN-CENELEC 55011 IEC 1000-4-2 (ex 801-2) IEC 1000-4-3 (ex 801-3) IEC 1000-4-4 (ex 801-4) EN 61010-1 (IEC 1010-1) EN 1012-2
Storage temperature	-20 °C to +70 °C
Input	60 Vac, three phase, 1350 Hz (max) 50 W max
Lubricant	permanent lubrication
Installation category	II
Pollution degree	2
Storage temperature	- 20 °C to + 70 °C
Weight kg (lbs):	ISO 63: 1.99 (4.39) KF 40: 1.96 (4.32) CFF 4.5": 2.96 (6.53) CFF 2.75": 2.77 (6.11)

* (According to standard DIN 28 428, the base pressure is that measured in a leak-free test dome, 48 hours after the completion of test dome bake-out, with a Turbopump fitted with a ConFlat flange and using the recommended pre-vacuum pump)

NOTE

When the Turbo-V 81-M has been stored at a temperature less than 5°C, wait until the system has reached the above mentioned temperature.

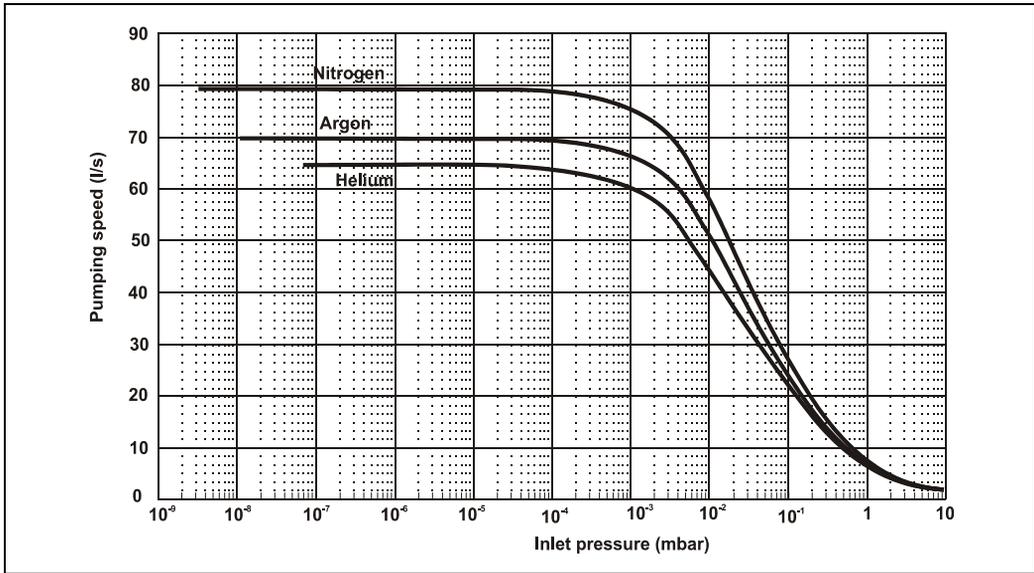


Figure 9 Graph of pumping speed vs inlet pressure with a 8 m³/h mechanical pump

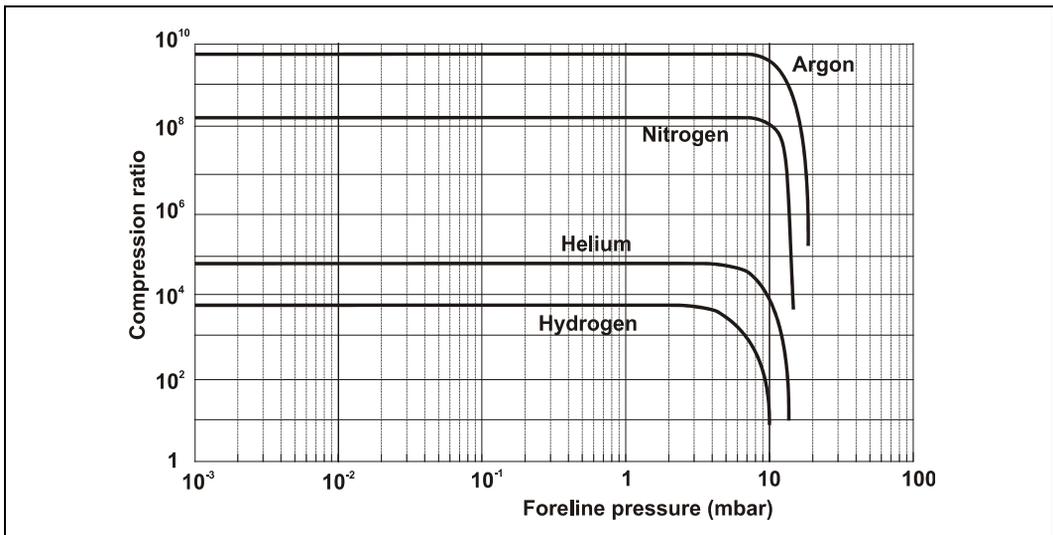


Figure 10 Graph of compression ratio vs foreline pressure

Inlet Screen Installation

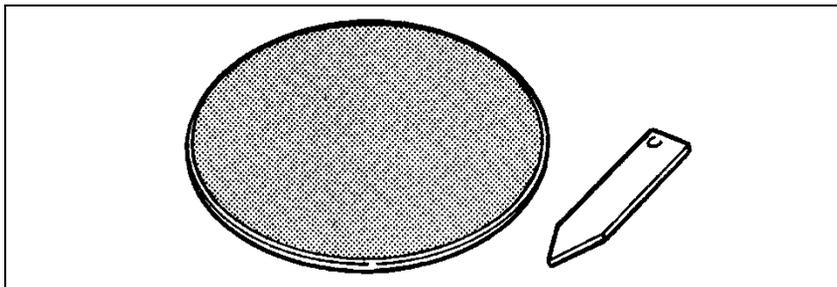


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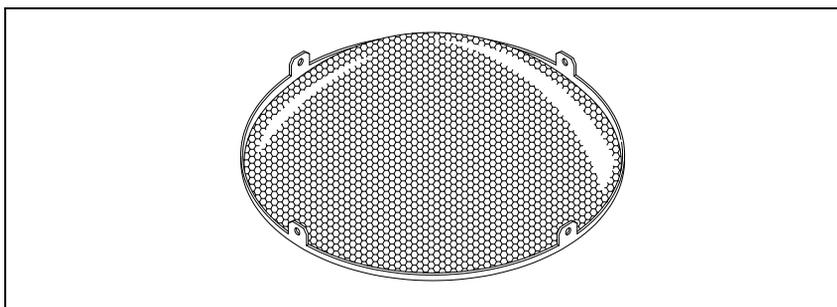


Figure 12

The inlet screens mod. 969-9300 and 969-9309 prevent the blades of the pump from being damaged by debris greater than 0.7 mm diameter.

The inlet screen, however, does reduce the pumping speed by about 10%.

The inlet screen is fitted in the upper part of the pump, as shown in the figure.

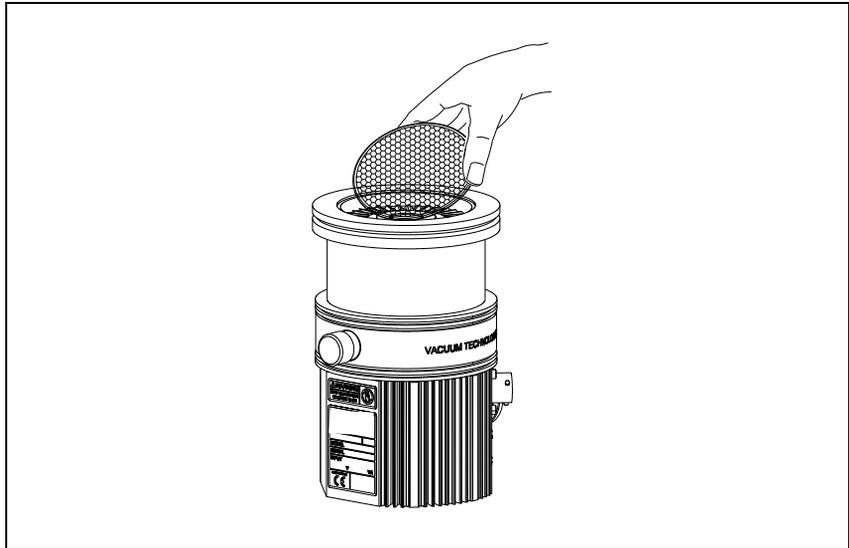


Figure 13

The screen can be mounted on each pump. The screen can be removed as shown in the following figure.

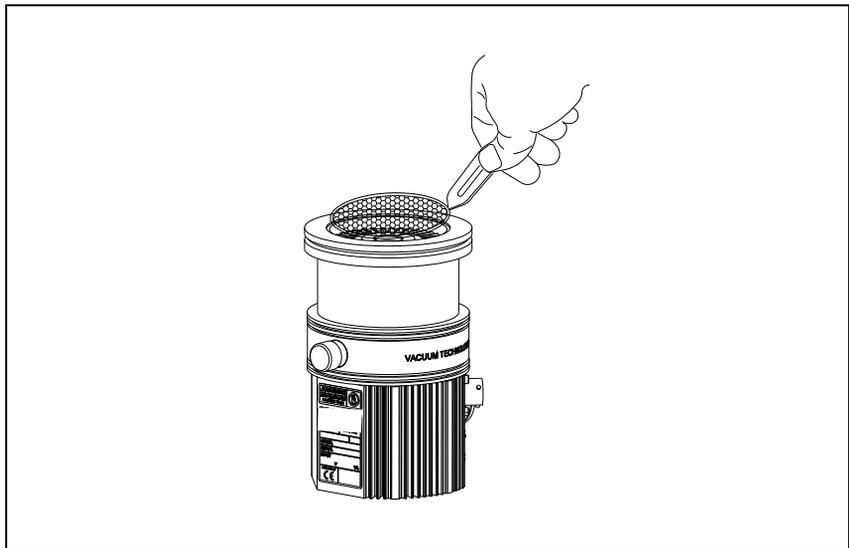


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Inlet Screen Installation

The following figure shows the overall flange dimensions with the protection screen fitted on pump with ISO flange and pump with CFF flange (dimensions are in inches [mm]).

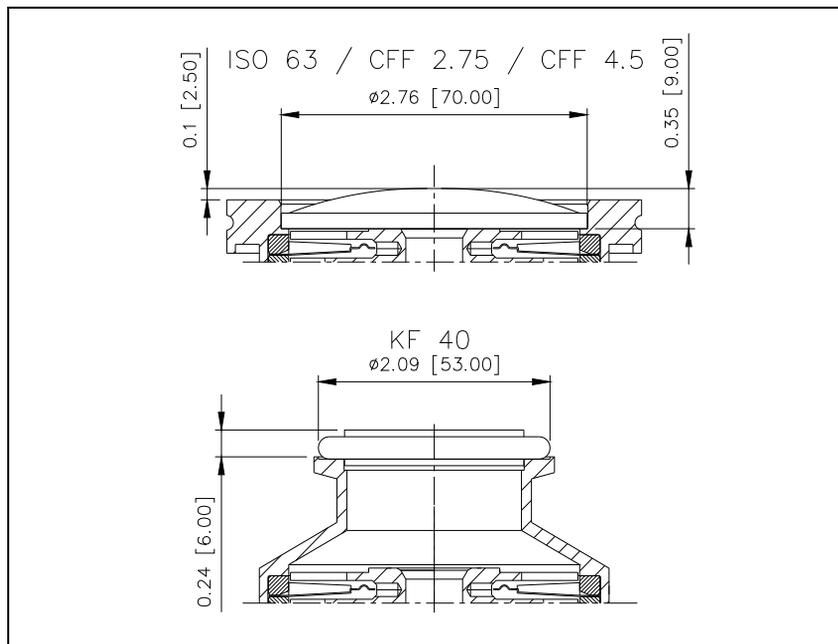


Figure 15

Heater Band Installation

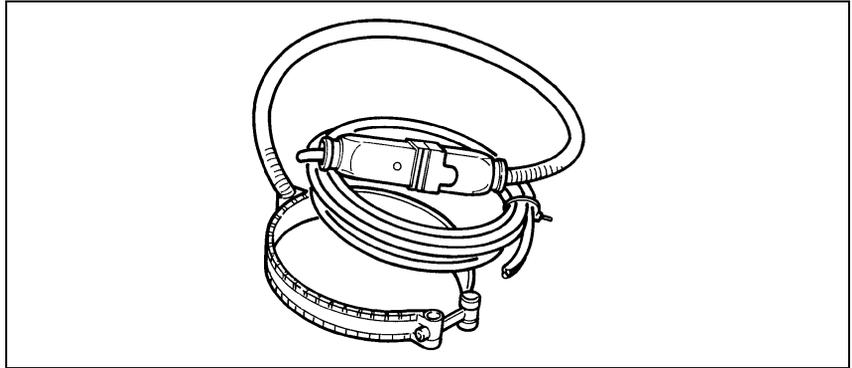


Figure 16

The heater band model 969-9801 and 969-9802 can be used to heat the pump casing when a bakeout is needed. The heater band is applied to the upper part of the pump casing, as shown in the figure, and heats it to a temperature of about 80 °C. The heater band must be mounted such that there is perfect thermal contact with the pump wall to obtain fast and efficient heating.

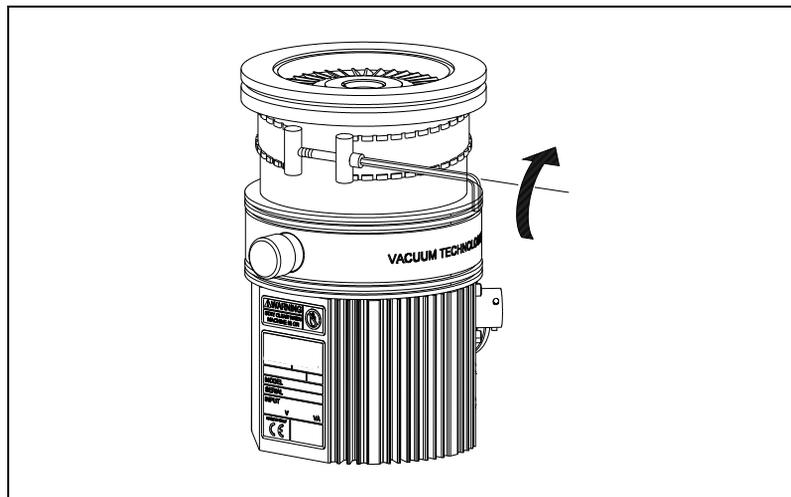


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Heater Band Installation

Switch on the heater while the turbopump is in operation. In the event of turbopump overheat, the pump will be automatically cut out by the thermistor sensor.

NOTE

The turbopump must be "baked" only when operating with an inlet pressure less than 10^{-4} mbar and with water cooling.

CAUTION!

If the chamber of the system is "baked" at a high temperature, a shield should be installed to prevent thermal radiation heating the high vacuum flange on the pump. The maximum temperature allowed for the inlet flange is 120 °C.

Air cooling kit installation

An air cooling kit (mod. 969-9290) is available for cooling the pump during heavy operational conditions and whenever the natural air convection is not sufficient.

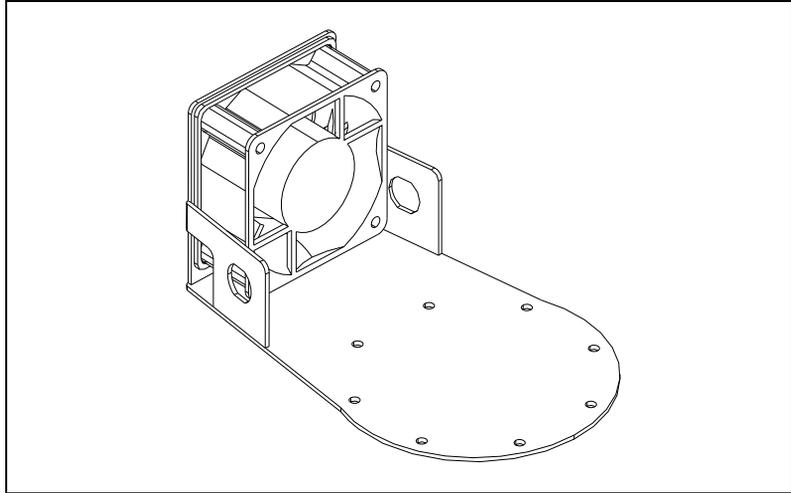


Figure 18

Fan specifications:

- air flow: 12.8 l/s (27.1 CFM)
- input voltage: 24 Vdc
- dimensions: 60 x 60 x 25 mm
- power: 2.60 W

The fan bracket is shaped so that it can be mounted close to the pump and in different positions. To fix the fan to the Turbo-V 81-M case execute the following procedure (see the following figure):

- 1** Fix the fan to the suitable bracket by means of the furnished screws;
- 2** Fix the bracket to the pump body;
- 3** Connect the fan supply to the P4 connector of the controller.

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Air cooling kit installation

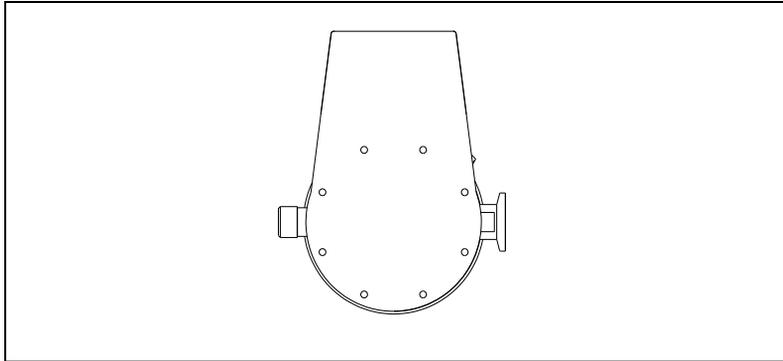


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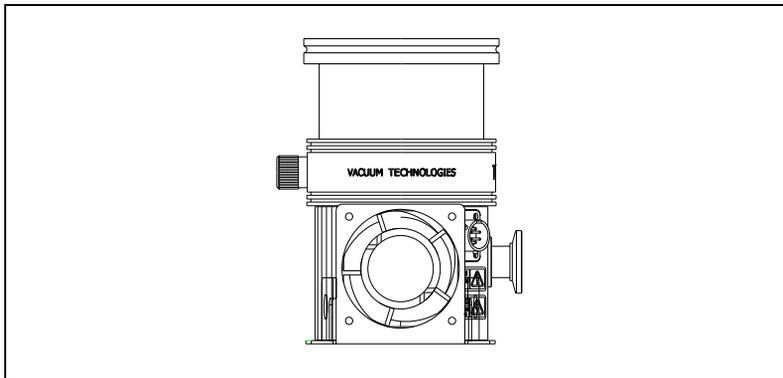


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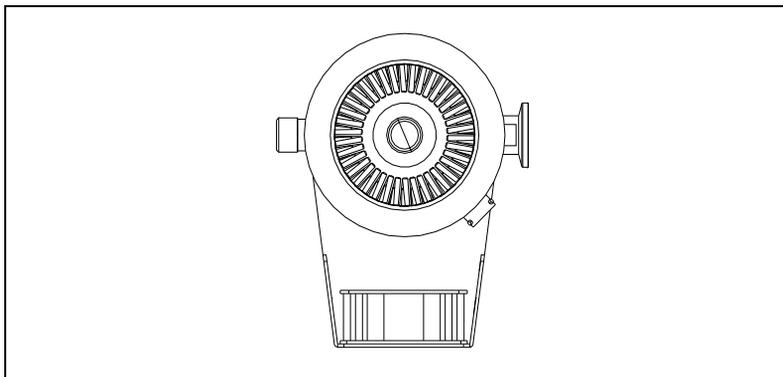


Figure 21

Water Cooling Kit Installation

Two types of water cooling kits are available to be mounted when the pump is used under heavy load conditions or when air cooling is insufficient.

The two model part numbers are: 969-9823 (metallic model), and 969-9824 (plastic model).

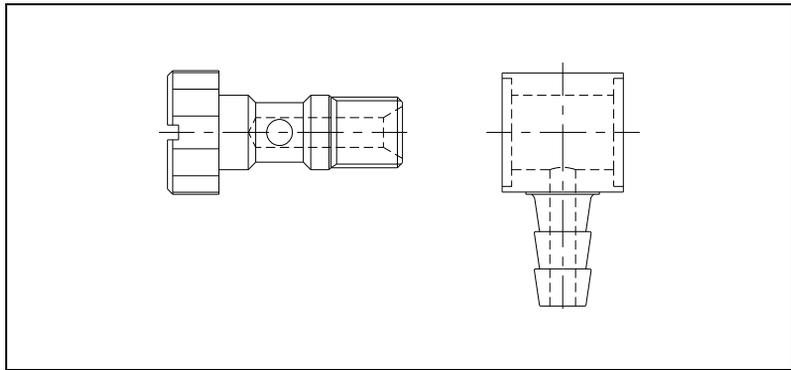


Figure 22

CAUTION!

The items of the plastic model kit must be assembled as shown in the following figure

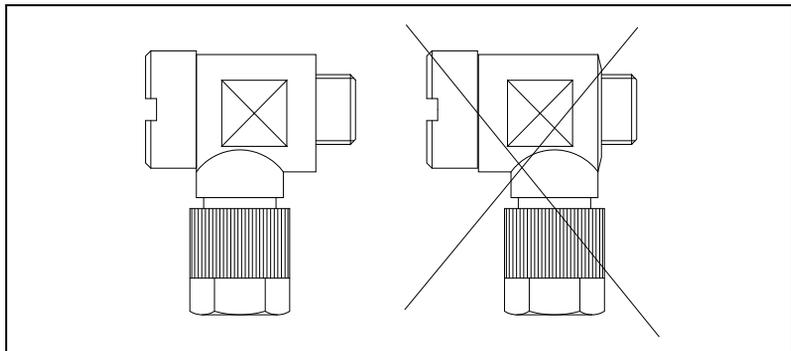


Figure 23

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Water Cooling Kit Installation

The assembled kit must be screwed into the suitable holes of the pump body with a recommended closing torque of 5 Nm.

The water kit is assembled as shown in the figure.

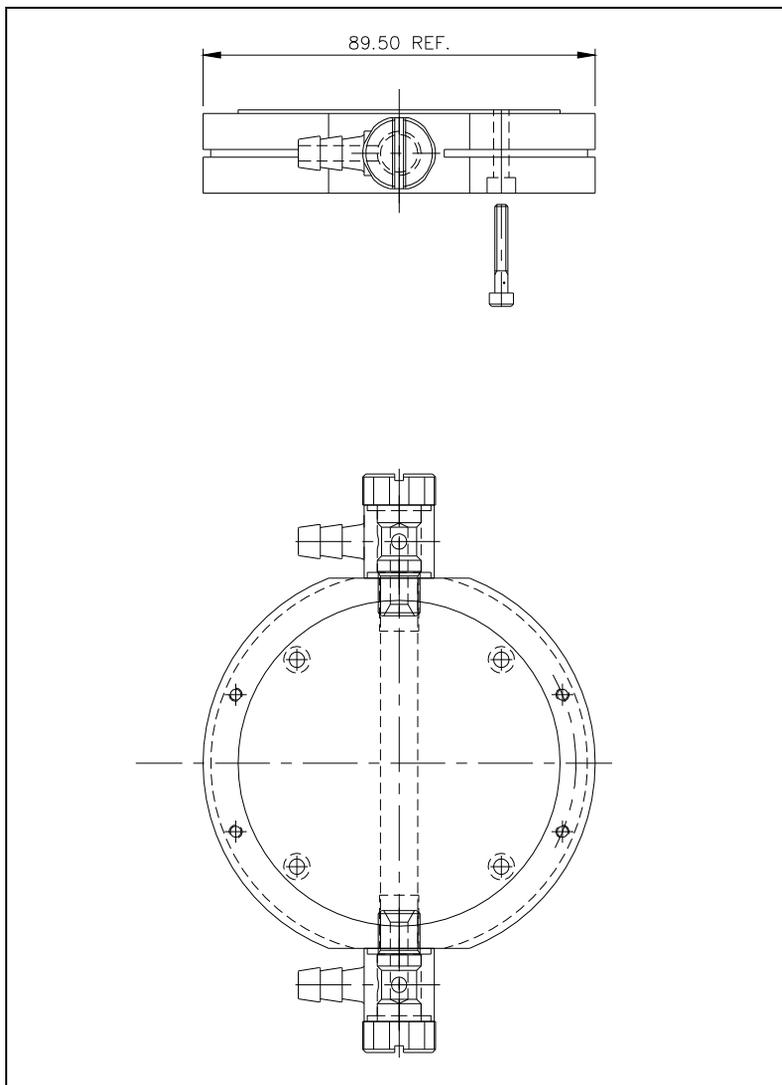


Figure 24

- 1 Connect the plate to the pump bottom with four screws M3x20.

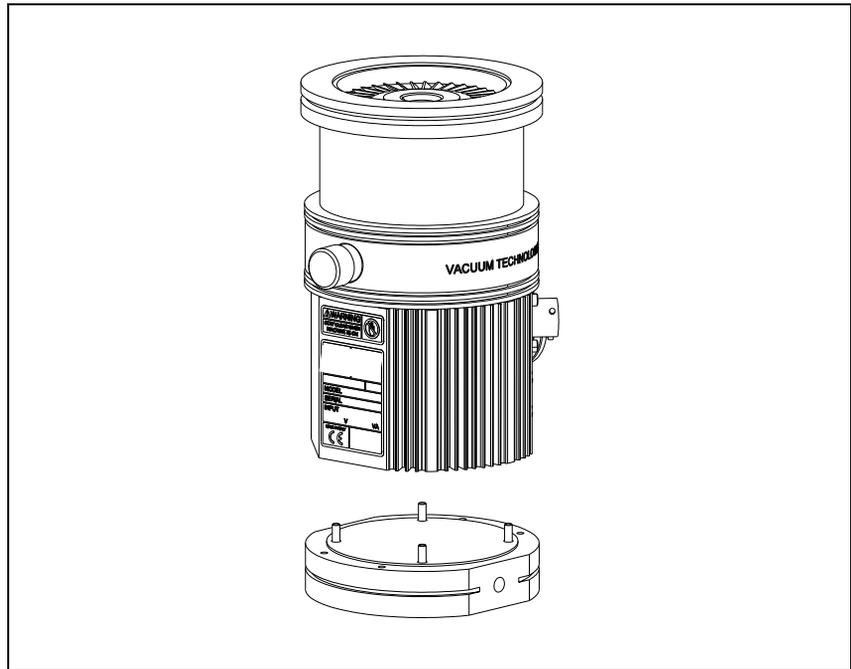


Figure 25

- 2 Assemble the metal or the plastic kit as shown.

Cooling may be carried out either through an open circuit with eventual discharge of the water, or using a closed circuit cooling system.

The water temperature must be between +15 °C and +35 °C, with an inlet pressure between 2 and 4 bar.

NOTE

The water electrical conductance must be $\leq 500 \mu\text{s}/\text{cm}$. When the conductance is higher, in closed water circuit, the use of up to 20 % of Ethyl-Glycole is suggested.

Vent Accessories

The vent valve and vent device allow to avoid undesired venting of the pump during temporary power failure and enables an automatic vent operation.

There are several vent valves available and each vent valve has to be driven by its own control unit.

NOTE

Refer to the Vent Valve Model Selection table to choose the valve and the related control unit.

NOTE

Refer to the control unit manual for the pump-valve-controller interconnections. Refer to the vent valve manual and follow the instructions to properly vent the turbomolecular pump.

To install the vent valve, unscrew the threaded plug (see figure below).

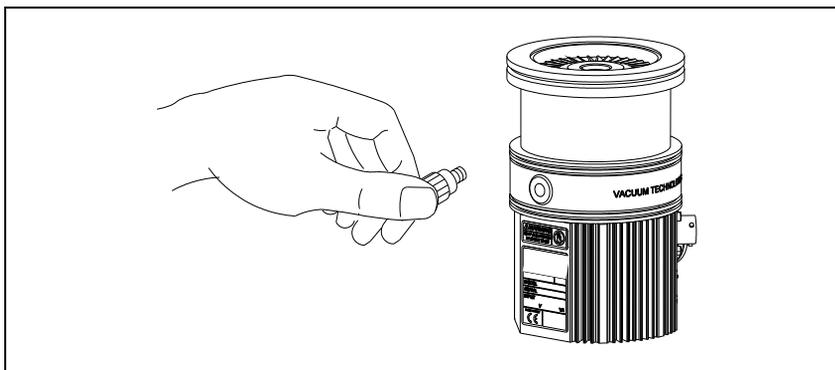


Figure 26

Then screw the vent valve into the pump and tighten it using a 16 mm hexagonal spanner with a torque of 2.5 Nm.

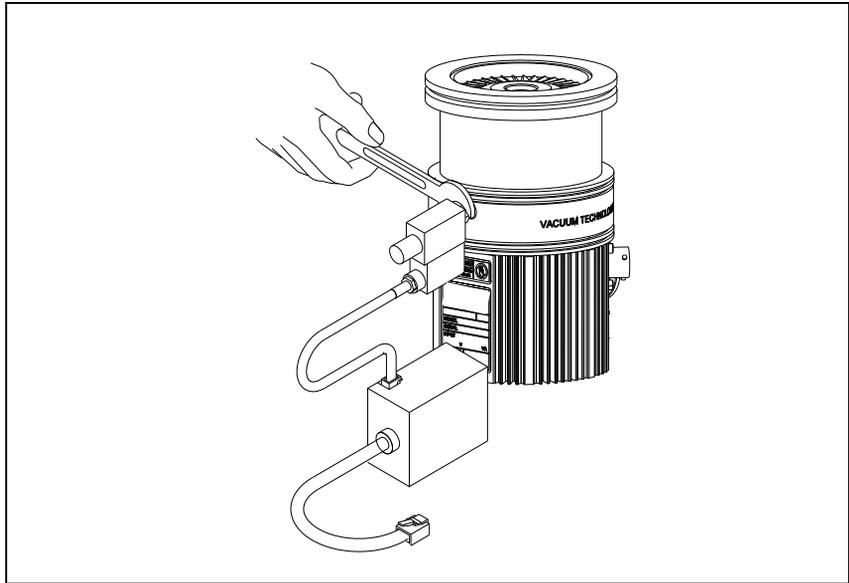


Figure 27

CAUTION!

Do not overtighten the valve as this may damage the thread on the pump.

Then connect the cable from the valve to the suitable connector on the controller.

Vibration Isolator Installation

Two vibration isolators for ISO and CFF inlet flange version pumps are available as accessories.

The two model part numbers are the following:

- model 969-9375 for ISO 63 flange;
- model 969-9376 for CFF 4.5" flange.

They typically reduce the vibration transmitted from the Turbo-V 81-M to the system by a factor of 20.

Please refer to the relevant instruction manual.

Typical Layout Diagram With Navigator Controller

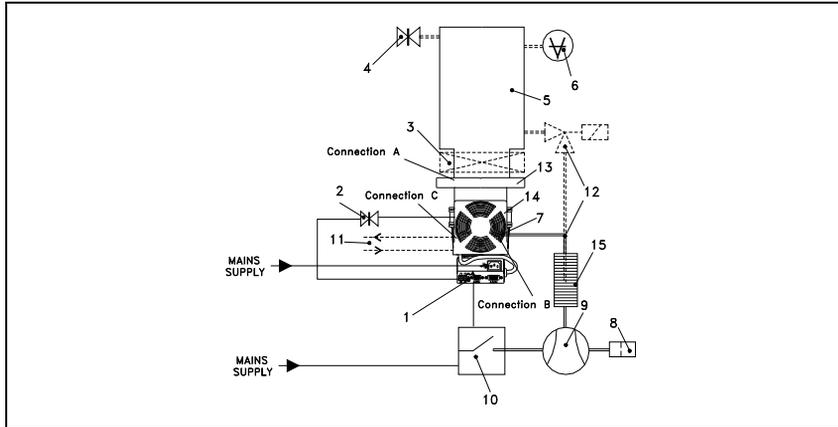


Figure 28

- 1 Turbo-V Navigator controller
- 2 Vent valve
- 3 Vacuum pump shut-off valve (optional)
- 4 System vent valve (optional)
- 5 Vacuum chamber
- 6 Ionization gauge
- 7 Fore-vacuum pump connecting flange
- 8 Oil mist eliminator
- 9 Fore-vacuum pump with internal one-way valve
- 10 Fore-vacuum pump control relay
- 11 Connection for water cooling
- 12 Roughing line with valve (optional)
- 13 Turbopump
- 14 Fan
- 15 Flexible connection

With Standard Rack Controller

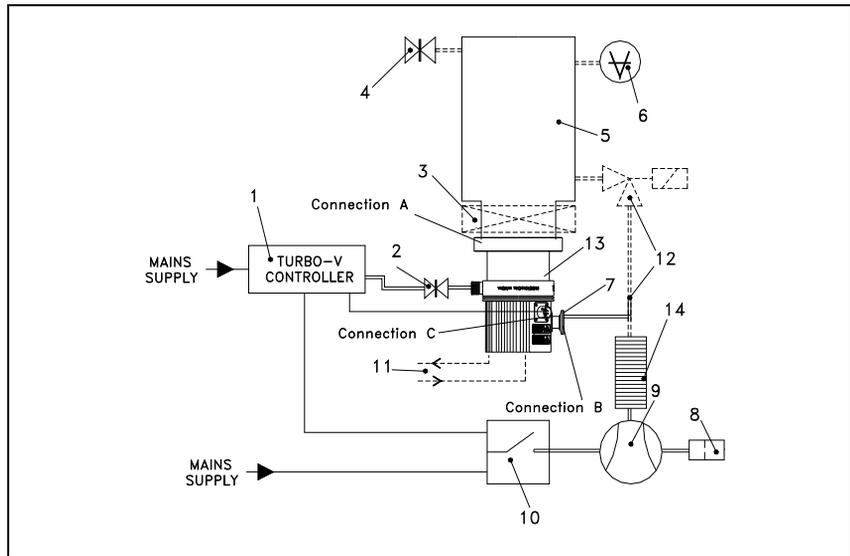


Figure 29

- 1 Turbo-V standard rack controller
- 2 Vent valve
- 3 Vacuum pump shut-off valve (optional)
- 4 System vent valve (optional)
- 5 Vacuum chamber
- 6 Ionization gauge
- 7 Fore-vacuum pump connecting flange
- 8 Oil mist eliminator
- 9 Fore-vacuum pump with internal one-way valve
- 10 Fore-vacuum pump control relay
- 11 Connection for water cooling
- 12 Roughing line with valve (optional)
- 13 Turbopump
- 14 Flexible connection

Connection A - High Vacuum Flange

To connect the Turbo-V 81-M pump to the ISO inlet flange, remove the outer ring and position the centering ring as shown in the figure.

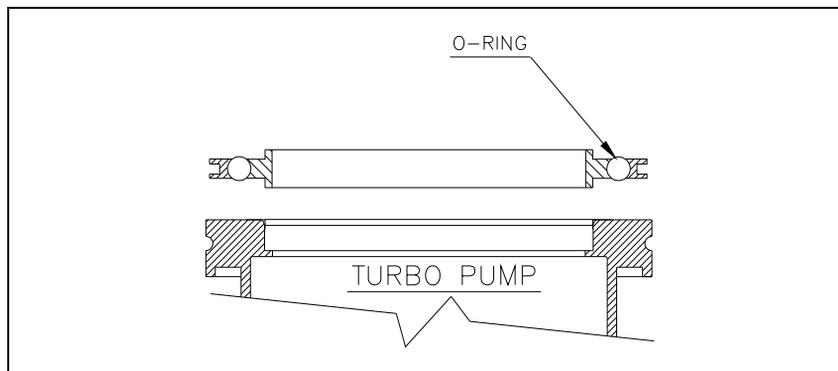


Figure 30

Then fix the two flanges with the clamps or claws as shown in the figure.

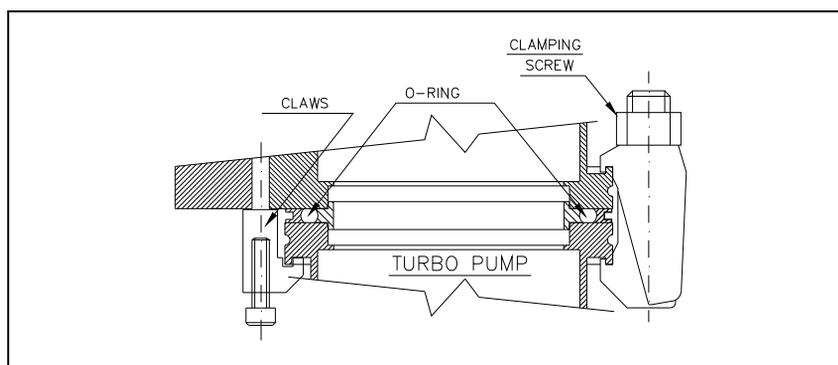


Figure 31

For ConFlat flange connections we recommend using Agilent hardware.

To facilitate assembly and dismantling, apply Felpro C-100 high temperature lubricant to the screw threads protruding from the flange and between the nuts and flange.

Attach the units and tighten each one in turn. Repeat the sequential tightening until the flange faces meet.

CAUTION!

Exercise care when tightening nuts and bolts to avoid creating dents in the envelope as this may cause the pump rotor to lock.

Connection Configurations

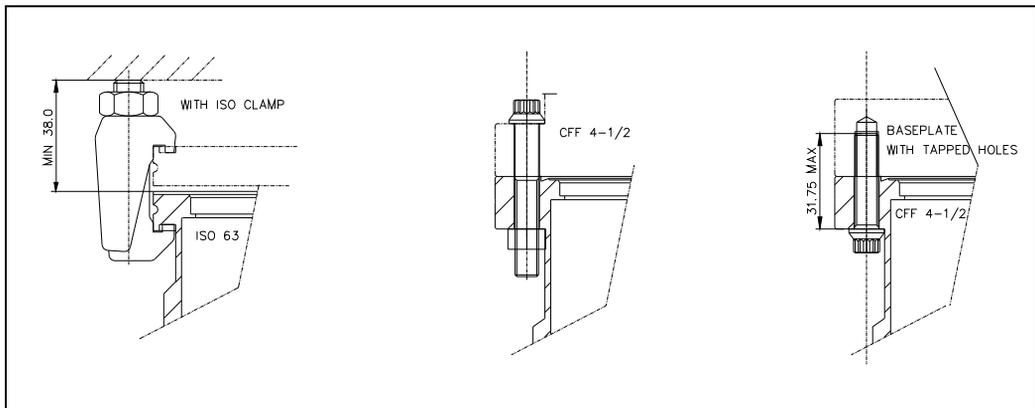


Figure 32

Connection B - Fore-Vacuum Pump

A flange KF 16 NW is available to connect the Turbo-V 81-M pump to the fore-vacuum pump. A hose or vacuum approved pipe can be used. If a rigid pipe is used, any vibration generated by the mechanical pump must be eliminated through the use of bellows.

NOTE

The Turbo-V 81-M pump is characterized by its high compression ratio also for oil vapors. When using a mechanical oil-sealed pump, it is advisable to install a suitable trap between the turbopump and the fore-vacuum pump in order to prevent oil backstreaming.

Connection C - Electrical

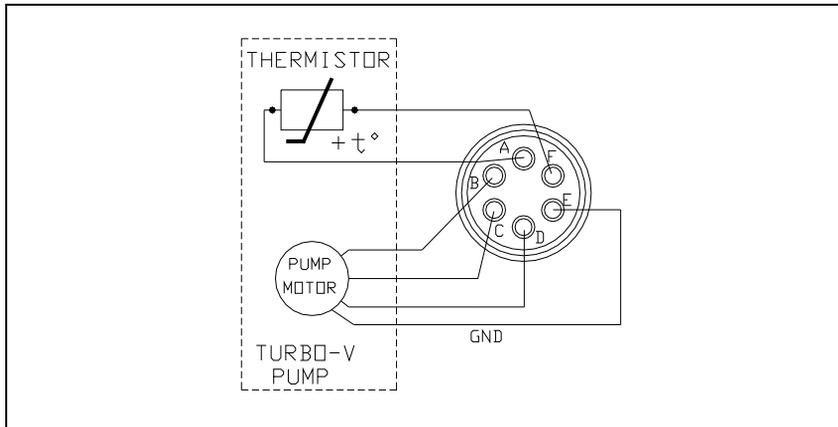


Figure 33

The turbopump is connected to the controller through an 6-pin connector. Pins B, C and D are the 3-phase supply to the motor, pins A and F are connected to the temperature sensor (NTC type, 30 K Ω resistance at 25 °C) and pin E is connected to the pump ground. If the temperature sensor is disconnected, the pump will not start. To prevent damage to the pump when the temperature exceeds 60 °C, the sensor automatically cuts out the power supply.

Pump Used in Presence of Magnetic Fields

Magnetic fields induce eddy currents in the rotor of a turbomolecular pump that tend to oppose to its rotation.

The result is increased electrical power consumption by the motor, most of which is dissipated in the rotor.

Since the rotor is not in contact with the stator the above power can leave the rotor mainly by radiation and hence the rotor may be overheated while static parts of the pump remain cool.

This effect is strongly dependant from the intensity, time function and distribution of the magnetic field.

In general, therefore, an increase in pump current can be expected.

If this increase is lower than 50 % of the current value drawn by the motor in high vacuum operation, no particular problem should be expected.

However if the effect is grater, than the case should be carefully reviewed by Agilent's specialist. As a matter of fact, in case of high magnetic fields, also important forces might be generated and applied to the rotor.

Accessories and Spare Parts

Tab. 3 Accessories and Spare Parts

DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER
Inlet screen, DN 40	969-9309
Inlet screen, DN 63	969-9300
Heater band 220 V	969-9801
Heater band 120 V	969-9802
Metallic water cooling kit	969-9823
Plastic water cooling kit	969-9824
Air cooling kit (0.5 m cable)	969-9290
Air cooling kit extension cable (5 m)	969-9940
Pump extension cable	969-9942
Vibration damper DN 63	969-9375
Vibration damper CFF 4.5"	969-9376
Mechanical pump DS 102	949-9315
Mechanical pump DS 42	949-9309
Dry scroll SH 100	SH01001 UNIV
Dry scroll SH 110	SH01101 UNIV
Rack controller 81-AG base	969-8988
Rack controller 81-AG RS232/485	969-8989
Rack controller 81-AG Profibus	969-8990
PCB 24 V	969-9538
Turbo-V 81-AG Navigator Controller 24 Vdc	969-8995
Turbo-V 81-AG Navigator Controller 100-240 Vac	969-8996

For a complete overview of Agilent's extensive product lines, please refer to the Agilent catalog.

Vent valve model Selection table

Tab. 4 Vent valve model selection table

CONTROL UNIT MODEL	VENT VALVE PART NUMBER
Turbo-V 81-AG Navigator Controller (cable 0.7 m) (any version)	N.O. 969-9844
Turbo-V 81-AG Rack Controller (cable 0.7 m) (any version)	N.O. 969-9844
Controller TV70 Navigator (P/N 969-8970, 969-8971)	969-9834
Turbo-V 70 Rack controller (P/N 969-9405, 969-9505)	969-9843

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Vent valve model Selection table



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Giampaolo LEVI

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NAME _____	COMPANY _____	FUNCTION _____
ADDRESS: _____		
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E-MAIL: _____		
PROBLEM / SUGGESTION : _____ _____ _____ _____		
REFERENCE INFORMATION (model n°, serial n°, ordering information, time to failure after installation, etc.): _____ _____ _____ DATE _____		
CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN / ACTUATION (by AGILENT VPD) _____ _____ _____ _____ _____		LOG N° _____

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Please read important policy information on Page 3 that applies to all returns.

1) CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Form with fields: Company Name, Contact Name, Tel, Email, Fax, Customer Ship To, Customer Bill To, VAT reg. Number, USA/Canada only, Taxable, Non-taxable

2) PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Table with 4 columns: Product Description, Agilent P/N, Agilent S/N, Original Purchasing Reference

3) TYPE OF RETURN (Choose one from each row and supply Purchase Order if requesting a billable service)

- 3A. [] Non-Billable [] Billable -> New PO # (hard copy must be submitted with this form):
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5) FAILURE INFORMATION:

Failure Mode (REQUIRED FIELD. See next page for suggestions of failure terms): Detailed Description of Malfunction: (Please provide the error message) Application (system and model):

I understand and agree to the terms of Section 6, Page 3/3. Print Name: Authorized Signature: Date:



Vacuum Products Division
Request for Return Form
(Health and Safety Certification)

Please use these Failure Mode to describe the concern about the product on Page 2.

TURBO PUMPS and TURBO CONTROLLERS

Table with 3 columns: APPARENT DEFECT/MALFUNCTION, POSITION, and PARAMETERS. Lists various failure modes like 'Does not start', 'Noise', 'Vertical', 'Horizontal', etc.

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Table listing failure modes for Valves/Components: Main seal leak, Solenoid failure, Damaged sealing area, Bellows leak, Damaged flange, Other.

LEAK DETECTORS

Table listing failure modes for Leak Detectors: Cannot calibrate, Vacuum system unstable, Failed to start, No zero/high background, Cannot reach test mode, Other.

INSTRUMENTS

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Table listing failure modes for Scroll and Rotary Vane Pumps: Pump doesn't start, Doesn't reach vacuum, Pump seized, Noisy pump (describe), Over temperature, Other.

DIFFUSION PUMPS

Table listing failure modes for Diffusion Pumps: Heater failure, Doesn't reach vacuum, Vacuum leak, Electrical problem, Cooling coil damage, Other.

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