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PBO PLASMA BAG OPENER





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GRIFOLS ENGINEERING'S PLASMA BAG OPENER (PBO) IS DESIGNED TO PERFORM THE FOLLOWING TASKS. FIRST, THE MACHINE PERFORMS A SKIN-THAW ON THE FROZEN PRODUCT TO CREATE A LIQUID FILM INSIDE THE BAG. THE OUTER SURFACE OF THE BAG IS THEN RINSED WITH FRESH DI WATER OR WFI, REMOVING ANY PARTICLES ADHERED TO IT. THE PBO, NEXT, DRIES THE OUTER SURFACE OF THE BAG TO START THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS. WITH A ROBOTIC SYSTEM, THE PLASMA BAG IS CUT AND THE PLASMA IS THEN REMOVED FROM THE BAG AND TRANSFERRED INTO THE PROCESS TANK.



THE AUTOMATED PLASMA THAWING AND BAGS EMPTYING PROCESSES OFFER MAXIMUM SAFETY AS PLASMA IS NOT HANDLED BY THE OPERATOR WHILE THE BAGS ARE OPEN, THEREBY MINIMIZING POSSIBLE EXTERNAL CONTAMINATION AND ALSO REDUCING COSTS AND INCREASING PERFORMANCE.

MAIN FEATURES

- · Machine parts:
 - **1. Thawing tunnel:** Thawing of bags through recirculating hot purified water.
 - 2. Washing station: Rinsing with purified water.
 - **3. Drying unit:** bags are dried by means of air jet.
 - **4. Cutting and Emptying:** Bags cutting and opening mechanically performed by robot (safety system for the operator).
 - **5. Automated Emptying system:** Checking of the proper placement of the bags.
 - 6. Control:
 - PLC Control for traceability.
 - Optional connection to plant control system.

- · Nominal throughput up to 900 bags/hour.
- · Maximum security: automated opening and emptying of plasma bags. Avoids human contamination.
- · Loading of completely frozen plasma bags.
- · Robot suitable to work in clean areas.
- · Possibility to connect the machine to a shredder for empty bags.
- · Drastic bioburden reduction.
- · User friendly human machine interface control.
- · Sanitary construction. cGMP design.
- · CE mark, UL, ASME
- · Complete documentation DQ/IQ/OQ





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