



- Cleaner water
- Reduced downtime and maintenance  $\bullet$
- Better operating efficiency and longer production runs
- Improves product quality



# **Common LAKOS Filtration Applications In Steel Mills**

Spray nozzle protection • Continuous casting • Secondary finishing - plate Strip mills - descaling • Sheet steel production cooling • Cooling towers Heat exchanger protection • Blast furnace cooling water • Pits/sumps/basins Wet scrubber/gas cleaning-BOF • River & plant intake water





# LAKOS Filtration Separators: A Popula

# A History Of Global Solutions

Since the mid-1940's Claude Laval Jr.'s inventions have been solving filtration problems in countless industrial applications. Our history includes 150+ U.S. and international patents of innovative and creative ways to remove solids from liquids. Few industries have benefited more from these efforts than the steel industry, in which LAKOS separators have become the industry standard.







## How Does A LAKOS Separator Work?



and Solids Collection Systems available (see page 4) for complete systemization and maintenance-free operation

## **Unique LAKOS Features:**

- No moving parts to wear out
- Reduced liquid loss
- No backwashing or other routine maintenance or downtime requirements
- Easily automated with several SOLIDS HANDLING options
- Protects descaling pumps for longer life and sustained efficiency
  Centrifugal-action performance, using no screens or filter
  elements

# r Choice Of The World's Best Steel Mills



## What Does LAKOS Remove?

#### Mill scale, slag, dirt and other settleable fines

The flow rate and velocity of the liquid are the key factors in determining the effectiveness of solids removal. This combination creates the centrifugal-action necessary



to remove particles as they pass through the Separator. The efficiency of this process is greatly dependent on the size and weight of particles (their specific gravity) as shown in the chart below.

The effectiveness of this process can be improved by multiple passes through a LAKOS Separator or by installing two Separators in tandem (a "Super Separator").

Efficiency





## Some of Our Global Steel Installations Include:

ArcelorMittal Steel Burns Harbor, IN Coatesville, PA (See AB-194 for details) Conshohocken, PA Saldanha, South Africa Lazaro Cardenas, Mexico See AB-210 for details **British Steel** Birmingham, UK California Steel Fontana, CA (See AB-186 for details) Dong Kuk Steel Company, Ltd. Inchon, Korea (See AB-138 for details) Gerdau, S.A. Steel Tampa, FL Santiago, Chile Lone Star Steel Lone Star, TX Nippon Steel Yawata Works/Kimuzu Works, Japan North Star Steel Houston, TX **POSCO Steel** Korea (See AB-207 for details) Sidmar Steel Gent, Belgium (See AB-149 for details) Tata Steel Jharkhand, India Rautarukki Steel Raahe, Finland **U.S. Steel** Fairfield, AL; Pittsburgh, PA **Voest-Alpine** Linz, Austria

Contact LAKOS for a more complete listing.

### Open Water Pump Intake Protection

LAKOS Self-Cleaning Pump Intake Screen Filters (ISF) keep unwanted debris from damaging pumps and getting into your water systems. Environmentally friendly with flow rates up to 100 US GPM (22.7 m<sup>3</sup>/hr)



## Solids Handling and Total Systemization: A Key LAKOS Advantage



After the solids are removed from the process flow, LAKOS offers several manual or automatic SOLIDS HANDLING purge options to capture and concentrate the solids for disposal at low cost and low maintenance. These include everything from simple **barrels** and collection hoppers to automated valve options as





shown.



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# LAKOS Industrial-Strength Separators



Flow Range: 3 - 12,750 US GPM 0.7 - 2895 m<sup>3</sup>/hr

Maximum Pressure Rating: 150 psi 10.3 bar Higher pressures also available

Pressure Loss Range: 3 - 12 psi 0.2 - 0.8 bar

Materials of Construction: Carbon steel is standard, but also available in:

- stainless steel
- fiberglass-reinforced polyester (FRP)
- Monel™ clad steel
- abrasian resistant (AR) steel

Consult factory for special requirements.

# Sizing and Selecting The Right LAKOS Separator

### Step 1:

Determine the actual Flow Rate of Fluids

#### Step 2:

Verify the solids are settleable (see charts on page 3)

#### Step 3:

Determine what you want to do with the solids that are removed

#### Step 4:

For pit/sump/basin cleaning, determine the length and width and depth of the reservoir