

Application Note

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Dilution of an Acid Solution at the 1000 L Scale using a LevMixer® System

Mixing system: LevMixer system

Mixing biocontainer: 1000 L LevMixer biocontainer

Application mixing type: Liquid-liquid

The LevMixer system is a compact single-use mixing system. The heart of this system is a mixing biocontainer incorporating a bottom-mounted levitating impeller designed for powder-liquid and liquid-liquid mixing applications. The impeller is frictionless and generates no particles.

Introduction

Liquid-liquid mixing is a common requirement in biopharmaceutical processing.

In this experiment, a LevMixer system was used to prepare 1000 L of a dilute acid solution.



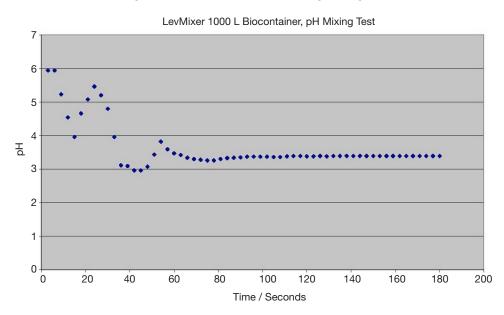
Experimental

A 1000 L LevMixer system biocontainer with a 16.13 cm diameter, off-center, levitating impeller, was filled with 1000 L of water, and mixing speed was set to 175 rpm. In a single dose, 100 mL of 10% w/w hydrochloric acid (HCl) solution was added to the mixing biocontainer. Solution homogeneity was monitored via real-time pH readings taken at the top of the mixing biocontainer, opposite the acid addition location.

Results

Figure 1 shows solution homogeneity in the biocontainer during mixing. It can be seen that mixing was complete within

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Conclusions

The LevMixer system is well suited to performing rapid dilution of concentrated acid solutions. For this application, at the 1000 L scale, mixing is complete within 90 seconds.



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