

HYDAC INTERNATIONAL

**Components,
Systems and Service
for Transformers.**



HYDAC

Your Professional Partner for the Optimization of Transformers.

With over 5,500 employees worldwide HYDAC is one of the leading suppliers of fluid technology, hydraulic and electronic equipment. Our wide range of products, combined with our expertise in development, manufacturing, sales and service will overcome the most diverse challenges associated with optimizing and extending the service life of transformers.

Our quality and environment certification to ISO 9001/2000 and ISO 14001 denote first class quality and responsible management of our resources.

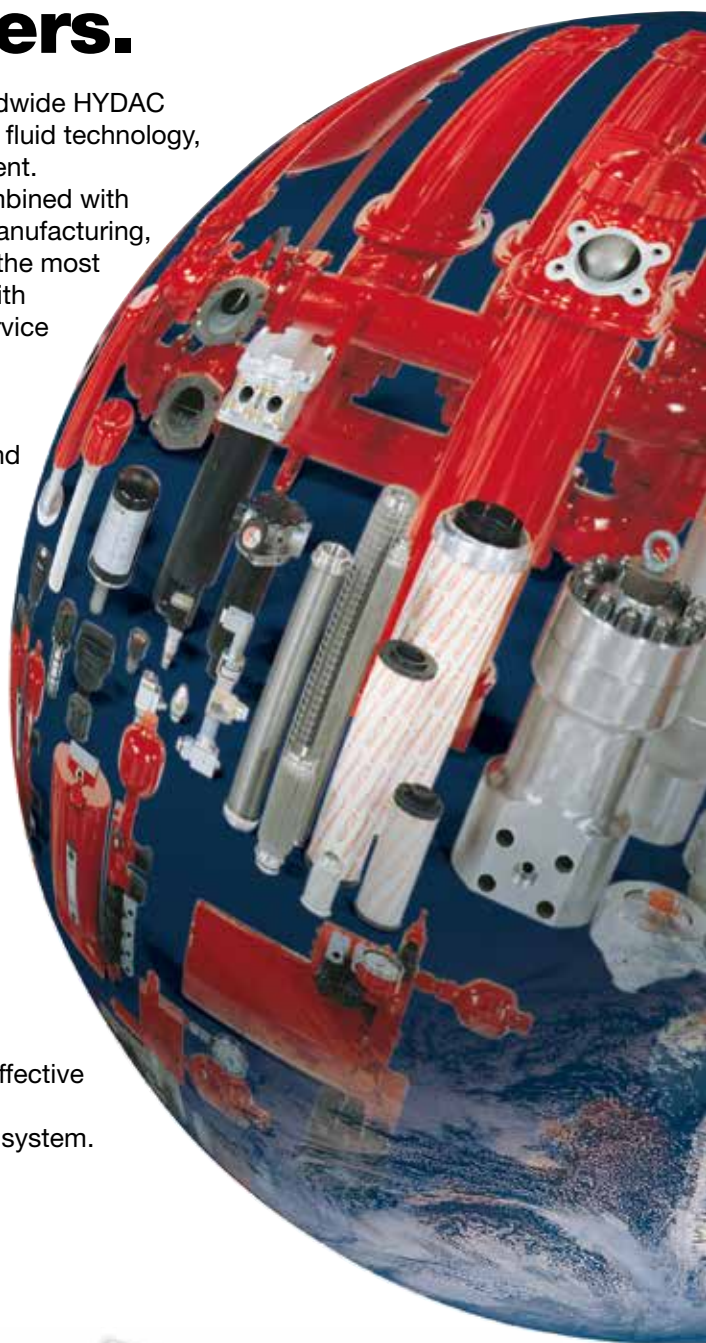
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With 40 overseas companies and over 500 distributors and service partners, HYDAC is your reliable partner worldwide.

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Wherever you need us, we are there to help you find the most effective solution – for every application, from components to a complete system.

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HYDAC in the Building and Operation of Transformers.

The components and systems developed by HYDAC offer many advantages for the building and operation of transformers – the principal ones being:

- Monitoring of the oil condition
- Reliable servicing and cooling of the insulating oil
- Effective protection of the insulation
- Increase in operational reliability
- Significant extension of the service life of transformers

Sectors and Applications

Energy production

- Gas and coal-fired power stations
- Hydroelectric power stations
- Nuclear power plants
- Wind turbines

Energy distribution

Industry

- Paper industry
- Steel industry
- Automotive industry
- Chemical industry

Applications

- Servicing the insulating oil
- Monitoring the insulating oil
- On-load tap changer filtration
- Cooling

Size of the transformers

0.5 – 100 m³ oil volume

Capacity of the transformers

From 0.2 - 1,500 MVA

Transformer applications

- Power transformers
- Compensating throttle pumps
- HVDC transformers
- Phase shifter transformers
- Polytransformers
- Single-phase transformers

Influences which reduce the Service Life of the Transformer

Electrical and electro-magnetic overstressing of the insulation (cellulose) and insulating oil

Ageing, oxidation and hydrolysis of insulation (cellulose)

Ageing, oxidation and hydrolysis of insulating oil

Thermal effects due to load fluctuations

Wear in the on-load tap changer

Consequences

Gas formation due to degradation or electrical overstressing of the insulation (cellulose) and of the insulating oil

Occurrence of water due to degradation of insulation (cellulose)

Overheating of insulation (cellulose) and insulating oil

Formation of acids due to ageing of the oil and cellulose

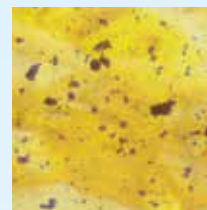
Formation of particles in the on-load tap changer due to wear

Reduction in the breakdown voltage caused by water, particles, gases and acids

"The insulation is the cause of most transformer breakdowns"

"The average age of transformers which failed due to insulation damage was 17.8 years – far below the expected lifetime of 35 to 40 years"

An analysis of Transformer Failures, William H. Bartley 1997, Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co.



Particles



Gas



Water



Temperature



Breakdown voltage

Condition Monitoring, Measuring Technology and Electronics

- Conditions in the insulation oil can be monitored using sensors
- Changes in an output condition, such as water content, oil cleanliness, temperature or pressure can be visualized and used as a basis for maintenance planning
- Critical conditions in the transformer can be detected in good time and prevented

Water and Solid Particles in Oil Oil Condition Fluid Level



FluidMonitoring Module FMM
(Combination of AquaSensor AS 1000 and ContaminationSensor CS 1000).



HYDACLab®
Oil condition sensor: relative change in dielectric constant, relative humidity and temperature.



Electronic Level Sensor ENS 3000.

Pressure



Pressure Switch EDS 1700
For wall-mounting.



Temperature Switch ETS 3000.

Temperature

Cooling

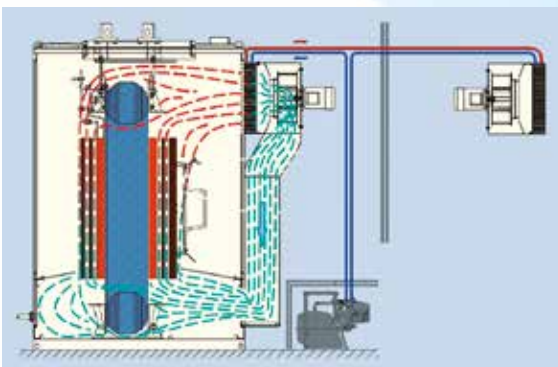
To ensure reliable and efficient removal of the heat on oil-cooled transformers.



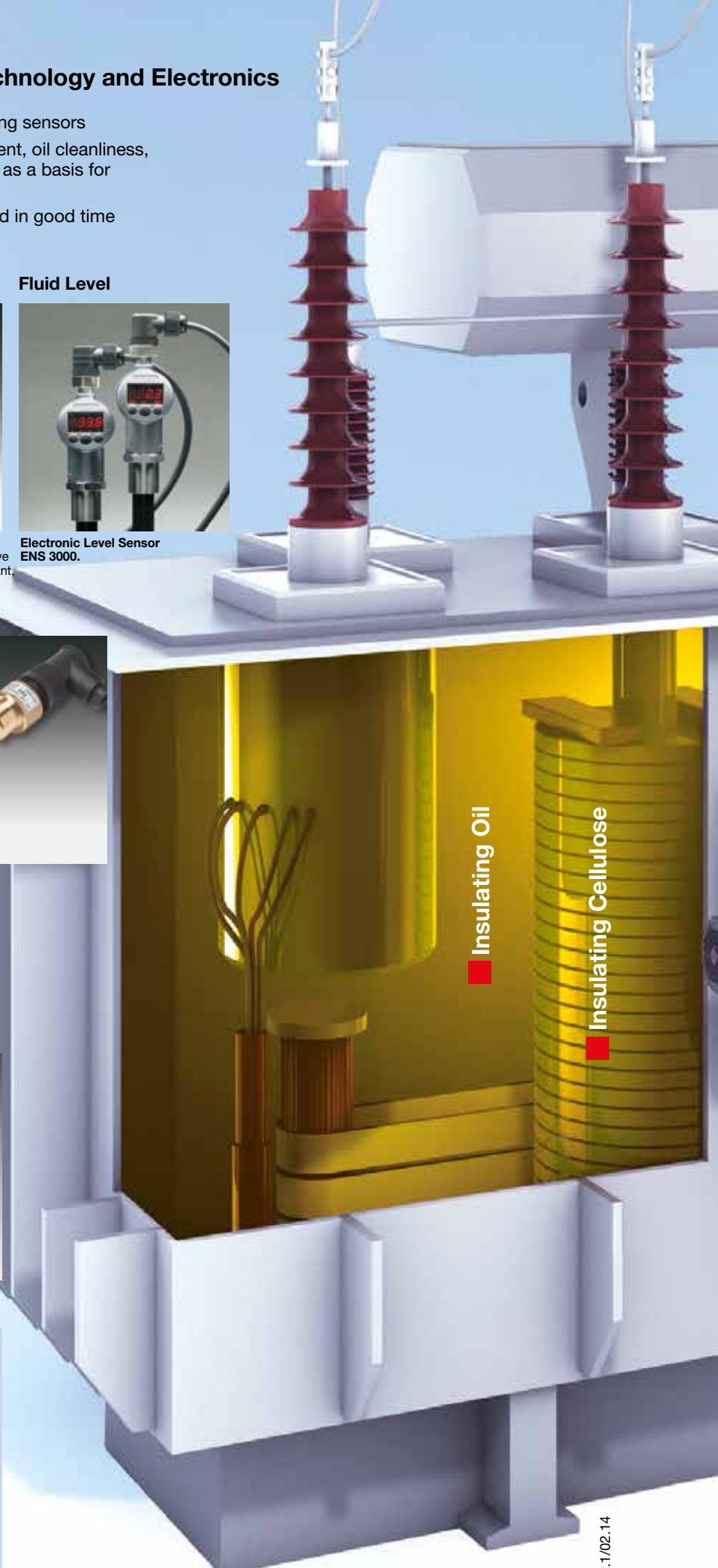
Oil/Air Cooler.



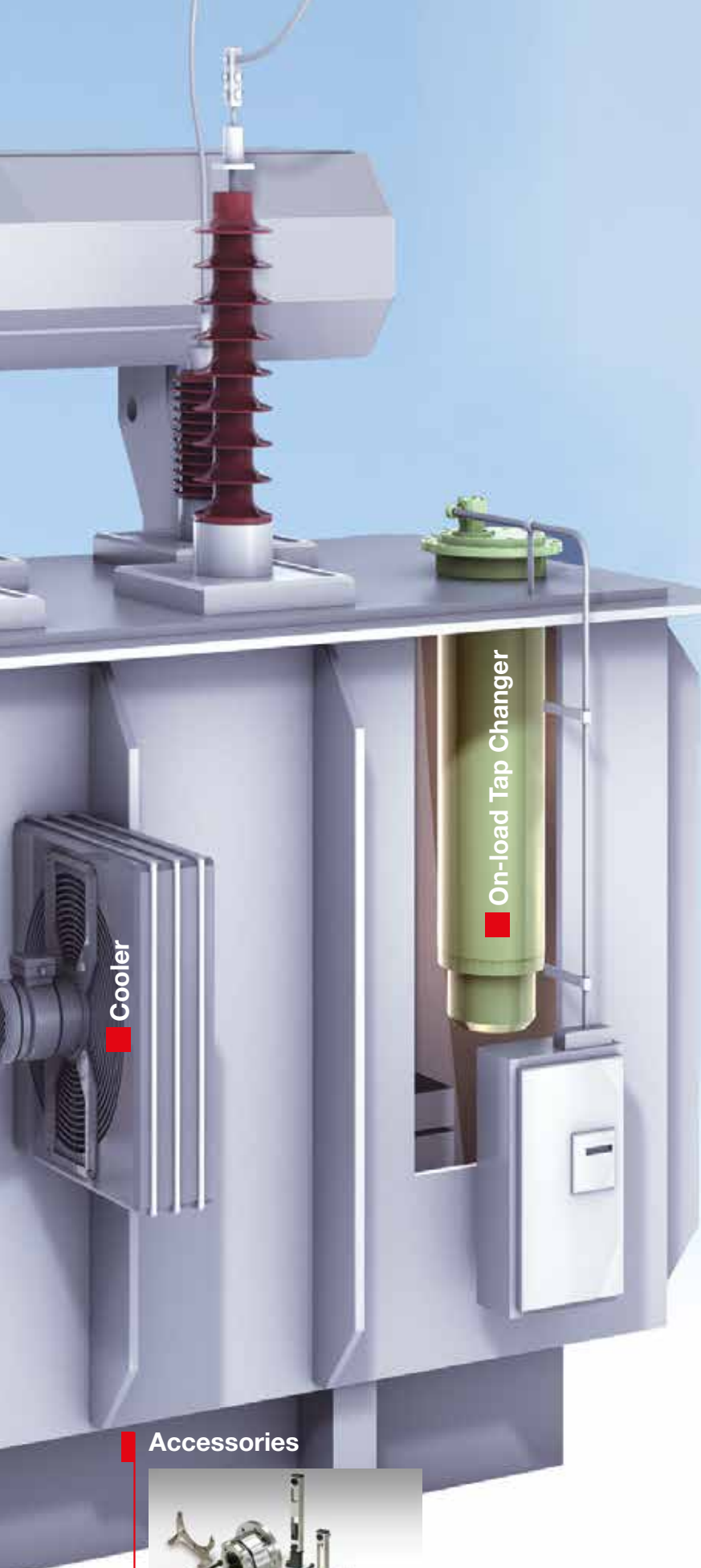
Plate Heat Exchanger, Gasketed.



Dry transformer: separation internal / external air by 2 Water / Air Coolers and a Water-Glycol Circulation.

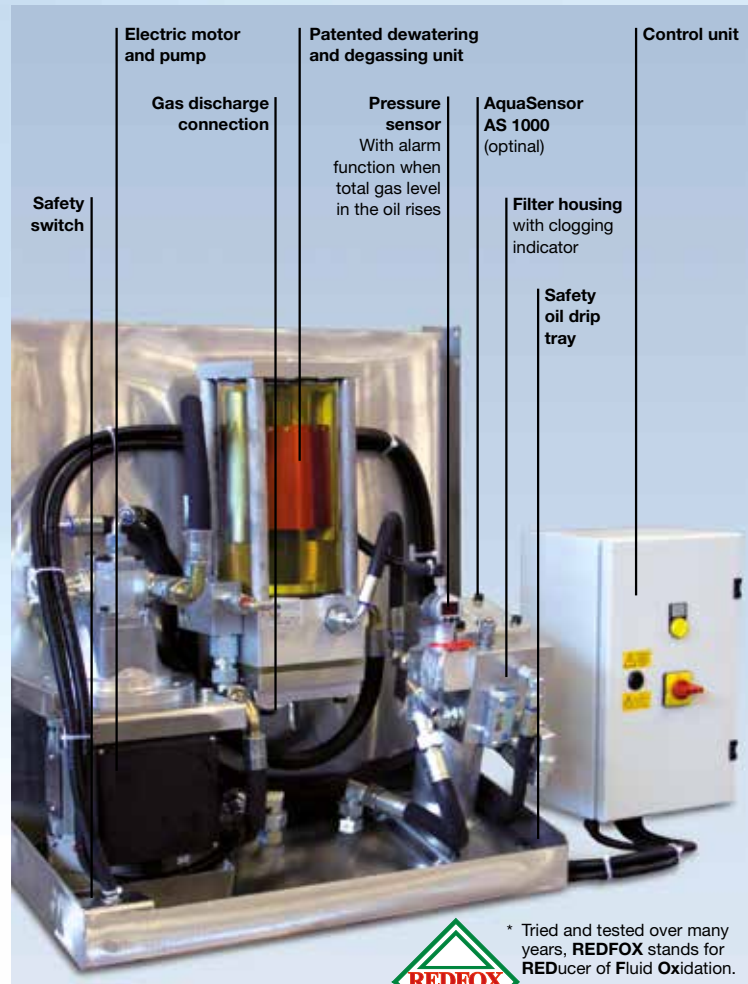


Mobile fluid service units for service applications as a result of increased levels of water, particles, gas and the associated critical breakdown voltages in the insulating oil.



Continuous Fluid Service REDFOX* TransformerCare Unit TCU

Continuous and lifelong degassing, dewatering and filtration of the insulating oil ensures that the oxygen level, water level and particulate contamination in the transformer are kept uniformly low, which means the breakdown voltage of the insulation oil increases, the formation of acids is minimized and as a consequence operational reliability and the life expectancy of the insulation (cellulose) and of the insulating oil also increases.



REDFOX* TransformerCare Unit TCU.



* Tried and tested over many years, REDFOX stands for REDucer of Fluid Oxidation.

Accessories



Mounting Technology and Ball Valves.

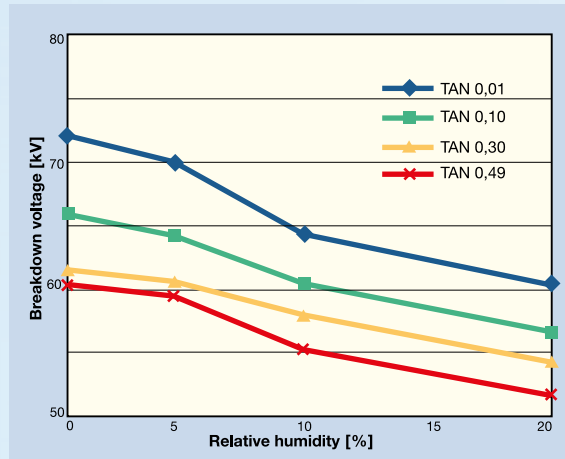
Advantages of using the TCU

- Preserves the breakdown voltage of the insulation oil
- Reduces of the oxidation and ageing of the cellulose
- Measures the gas formation rate
- Reduces the formation of gas bubbles in the transformer due to permanently low gas levels
- Expensive short-term regeneration measures can be avoided through lifelong servicing
- Increase in operational reliability
- Extends the remaining life of the transformer

Short-term Fluid Service



Service unit for dewatering, degassing and filtration.



The breakdown voltage (kV / 2.5 mm) as a function of saturation level (relative humidity) and the acid number (TAN).

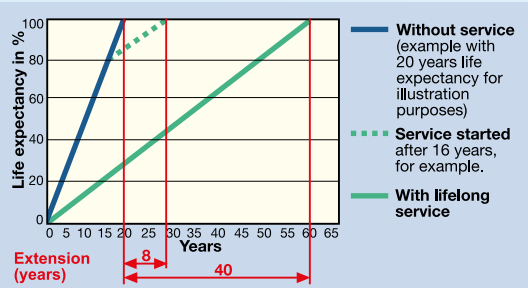
Source:
The Breakdown Voltage of Insulation Oil Under the Influences of Humidity, Acidity, Particles and Pressure.
M. Koch, M. Fischer, S. Tenbohlen, University of Stuttgart

Service life extension

The REDFOX TransformerCare Unit TCU is the service unit for extending the service life of oil-filled transformers and reactors. The remaining life of the cellulose and therefore of the transformer can typically be increased by a factor of 3*.

* Lampe, Spicar: "Oxygen-free Transformer, reduced Ageing by continuous Degassing", Cigre, paper 12-05, Paris, 1976 (ASEA).

Kachler, Höhle: "Aging of Cellulose at Transformer Service Temperatures. Part 1: ...", Vol. 21, No. 2, IEEE Electrical Insulation Magazine, 2005 (Siemens).



Extension of the remaining life expectancy of the insulation (cellulose) through continuous service. "The earlier the better".

Determining the gas formation rate

The volume of the gases removed using the TCU per time unit corresponds to the gas formation rate in the transformer. An interpretation, for example to DIN EN 60599*, is also possible, along the lines of the DGA (Dissolved Gas Analysis).

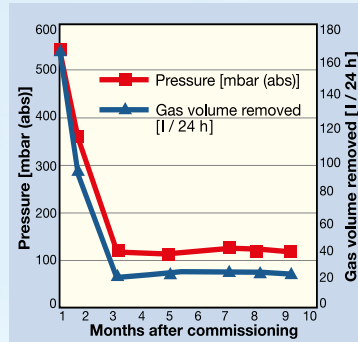
* DIN EN 60599 – Mineral-oil impregnated electrical equipment in service – Guide to the interpretation of dissolved and free gases analysis.



Simple gas discharge to determine the gas formation rate.

Monitoring

In addition the TCU is used to monitor the humidity and the total gas level in the insulating oil. This means that an alarm can be triggered if there are significant changes.



Typical pressure trend in the dewatering and degassing unit of the TCU and of the gas volume removed per time unit. The total gas level in the oil is proportional to the measured pressure. After 3 months, steady conditions are reached. From this time, the gas formation rate can be determined.

At Commissioning

Pressure	550 mbar (abs)
Removed gas volume	170 l / 24 h
Total gas volume in the oil	10.6 %
Breakdown voltage	42 kV / 2.5 mm

After 3 Months

Pressure	120 mbar (abs)
Removed gas volume	20 l / 24 h
Total gas volume in the oil	2.1 %
Breakdown voltage	79 kV / 2.5 mm

Applications of the TCU



Fluid Engineering and Service. Worldwide.

Analysis and Diagnostics.

70- 80 % of all breakdowns in hydraulic and lubrication systems are due to contamination of the fluids and components used. In practice, this is often not sufficiently recognized.

HYDAC offers a comprehensive range of easy-to-use measurement and analysis equipment to monitor fluid and component cleanliness.

Fluid laboratory vehicles are at your service worldwide.

Commissioning, Optimisation, Engineering.

As a systems and fluid service specialist, HYDAC provides a comprehensive fluid engineering concept: from cleaning, to complete maintenance packages, to system optimisation, HYDAC is your principal partner.

Our concern is to improve the operational availability of machines and hydraulic systems. Fluid engineering is the total package of technical and commercial services for the benefit of the customer.



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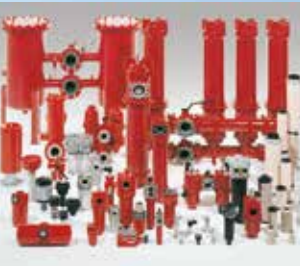
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