

### **Product Data Sheet**

# **DD-431**

## Activated alumina spheres

BASF DD-431 is a high surface area activated alumina sphere with tailored pore size distribution to enhance Claus reaction activity through increased diffusion rates and surface activity.

#### **Product Applications**

DD-431 is an excellent Claus catalyst for common Sulfur Recovery Units (SRU) including oxygen enriched Claus units. It is designed for use in all beds for high activity conversions of  $H_2S/SO_2$  and for conversion of COS and  $CS_2$  in the first converter. It is available in nominal sizes of 3/16" and 1/4" spheres.

The custom-tailored pore structure includes optimum levels of micro, meso and macropores, thereby providing maximum access to active sites while minimizing sulfur deposition (condensation) during normal operations. DD-431 meso and macropores aid in the diffusion of the reactants into, and the large sulfur molecules away f rom, active sites. DD-431 has ideal pore distribution for use in sub-dewpoint tail gas processes such as CBA, MCRC and Sulfreen.

DD-431 is particularly well suited for use in sulfur recovery processes operated near or below the sulfur dewpoint. The third reactor of a Claus unit can be operated closer to the sulfur dewpoint to enhance sulfur recovery.

Physical Properties	3/16" (4.8 mm)	1/4" (6.4 mm)
Surface Area, m <sup>2</sup> /g	375	360
	0.55	0.55
Total Pore Volume, cc/g		
Macroporosity > 750 Å,	0.18	0.15
cc/g		
Crush Strength	30 (14)	50 (23)
(5 mesh), lbs (kg)		
Abrasion Loss, wt %	0.4	0.4
Bulk Density, lbs/ft³ (kg/m³)	40 (641)	40 (641)

<sup>\*</sup>These indicative properties do not represent process capabilities nor specifications

#### **Packaging**

- 2000 lb (907 kg) super sacks
- 300 lb (136 kg) drums

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