

### Optimal flow control for demanding conditions

Flowrox<sup>™</sup> valve solutions



# Valve solutions for demanding shut-off and control applications

We deliver flow control solutions for the most demanding process conditions. Our story started over 40 years ago. Our valve technology experts develop the industry benchmark solutions. Over the years we have delivered over 150,000 products worldwide. Our robust full bore design enables effortless process flow. We also provide services ranging from valve type selection, sizing, materials selection, installation, spare parts and maintenance to optimise your up- and downstream flows.

#### **Product portfolio**

1 <b>977</b>	Pinch valves
2000	Plastic body valves
2002	Pumps introduced
2009	Slurry knife gate valves
2011	Name changed from Larox Flowsys to Flowrox
2020	Big knife gate valves DN900-1500
2021	Flowrox brand acquired by Neles
2022	Valmet and Neles merged



#### We provide the optimal solution

Here you can see the relative costs over a five-year period between a conventional stainless ball valve with PTFE seats and a Flowrox DN100 pinch valve feeding abrasive slurry. The valve operates 4-6 times per hour.

#### Ball valve



#### Flowrox pinch valve solution



#### Customer benefits

- Low total cost of ownership
- Low operating costs
- Improved process performance
- Long service intervals
- Heavy duty design

## Flowrox valve references

#### Customer case: Uranium Mine, Namibia

Products:	Pinch valves			
Application:	Tailings transfer			
Benefits:	• Increased process reliability			

- Cost efficiency with remote valve control
- Low total cost of ownership





#### Customer case: Wastewater treatment plant, Poland

DN500 control pinch valves			
: Flow control of biological sludge			
Gentle handling due to living			

- bacteria in sludge • Wide and accurate flow control range
- Extended maintenance interval







#### Customer case: Iron ore mine, Sweden

Products: Benefits:

PV and PVE pinch valves **Application:** Thickener underflow

- Reliability with abrasive slurry
- Wide and accurate flow control range
- Extended maintenance interval





#### **Expansion project:**

# Saving time during start-up with 330 Flowrox valves

#### Customer case: Trafigura Mining Group, MATSA mine, Spain

Trafigura Mining is a market leader in copper, lead and zinc concentrates trading. Their flagship mine, Aguas Teñidas (MATSA), is located in Andalucia, Spain. In 2015, production of concentrates nearly doubled to 4.4 tons per year.

Products:	330 PVE enclosed body &
	PVG shut-off valves
<b>Application:</b>	Ore & water treatment & process water
	supply in copper, zinc and lead mining
Benefits:	<ul> <li>Increased safety</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Easy installation &amp; maintenance</li> </ul>

- Process reliability
- Lightweight products



#### Long-term benefits in ownership

Trafigura Mining Group ordered 330 Flowrox PVE enclosed body pinch valves and PVG shut-off pinch valves for various demanding flow control and shut-off duties, from ore treatment to water treatment plant and process water supply.

"When the project was engineered, we constantly had in mind that the choice of appropriate instrumentation for each application is fundamental to the process performance. We decided that all control valves and also some of the shut-off valves would be pinch valves, which finally ended up saving us a lot of time in the start-up of the plant," says Ms. Luisa Montes, a Project Team Member from MATSA mine.

#### "We are definitely expecting cost savings."

All installed Flowrox pinch valves have an enclosed body type and include an SBRT valve sleeve to meet the requirements of various mediums in different process areas and to achieve the longest sleeve life time. As the valves are self-cleaning, even if any solids are accumulated in the sleeve wall, it breaks away when the valve is operated. This is due to the flexibility of the sleeve, making the valve lifetime longer than many other competing products on the market.

Flowrox pinch valves were chosen to provide long-term benefits based on low total cost of ownership. The PVE control valves at the plant are operated by pneumatic double acting actuators with positioners. Also, all of the on/off PVG valves include limit switches for position indication.

"In the future, we are definitely expecting cost savings," Ms. Montes states.

# Heavy duty pinch valves

Flowrox heavy duty pinch valves are made to last and are ideal where shut-off and control applications involve abrasive or corrosive slurries, powders or coarse substances.

#### Made to Last

The operating principle of Flowrox pinch valves is simple. In the open position, the valve is full bore with no flow restrictions. During closing, two pinch bars squeeze the valve sleeve shut on the centerline. The sleeve is naturally wear-resistant and when particles hit the sleeve's rubber surface, the energy is absorbed and released when the rubber bounces back.

Heavy duty pinch valves provide bubble tight shut-off even if solids have built up on the sleeve wall. When compressed, any crystallized particles flake off the sleeve surface. The full bore structure ensures free flow of the medium. The construction and materials of the three main components (sleeve, body and actuator) can be tailored to suit your process conditions.

#### From features to benefits





#### **Product benefits**

- Long service intervals
- Only one wearing part
- Excellent for dry powders
- Low maintenance cost

**Image:** During closing, two pinch bars squeeze the valve sleeve shut on the centerline.





#### **Control Valves**

Flowrox control valves are designed for demanding control applications in which conventional valves encounter problems with wear due to increased turbulence.

When the controlled flow is abrasive, it is a big advantage to have only one, wear-resistant, valve part in contact with the medium. The need for maintenance and spare parts is reduced.

Each valve can be sized and optimized for the optimal control range, to limit wear and velocity, and also to prevent cavitation from occurring in the control valve. Controllability can be further improved, for example through the use of conical sleeves and smart positioners, or linearizing and widening.

The Flowrox Control Valve Sizing Programme makes your work easier. Sizing is based on the international IEC60534 standard (harmonized with ANSI/ISA S75).

### Improved controllability with conical sleeve results in linear control curve



#### Customer benefits

- Cost-effective
- Reliable operation
- Predictive
   maintenance
- Sizing programme to choose correct valve
- Process-optimized equipment

# General line pinch valves

Flowrox general line pinch valves are ideal for low cycle applications involving abrasion, corrosion and aggressive slurries.

#### PVG and PVEG valves

Flowrox pinch valves are robust and cost-effective valves with simple, single-sided closing mechanism. PVG valves have a strong valve body and opening tags in the sleeve as standard. PVEG valves have a corrosion resistant and lightweight plastic body. Efficient design eliminates jamming and provides a precise fit for your processes. Thanks to their reliability, Flowrox pinch valves offer substantial savings based on improved performance, long servicelifetime and low total cost of ownership.

#### From features to benefits





#### **Product benefits**

- Long service intervals
- Only one wearing part
- Excellent for dry powders
- Simple sleeve replacement

**Image:** The closing element squeezes the sleeve shut against the lower body half, providing a 100 % tight shut-off.





### General line pinch valve references

#### Customer case: Copper Mine, Finland

<b>Products:</b>	PVG150M
Application:	Tailings transfer, isolation valves
Benefits:	<ul> <li>Increased process reliability</li> </ul>
	• Extended maintenance interval

• Low total cost of ownership





#### Customer case: Kara Mine, TMM, Tasmania, Australia

Products: Application: Hydrocyclone Benefits:

PVEG50M

- Trouble-free operation
- Low maintenance costs
- Long lifetime





# Slurry knife gate valves

Heavy duty slurry knife gate valves isolate flow, even in the most demanding process conditions. The complete valve is built around an ease-of-maintenance concept.

Flowrox slurry knife gate valves are based on years of experience providing reliable solutions for abrasive and corrosive process applications.

They feature a load distribution ring that prevents over-compression and ensures tight sealing between the sleeve and the valve gate. To ease

maintenance, the load distribution ring is integrated into the valve's sleeves.

The valve's universal tower design accommodates most actuator types, allowing the actuator's interchangeability. The tower also ensures that the top plate, body and actuator are always aligned and the gate is in the

right position. The valve body itself is a one-piece casting, eliminating the need for sealing between the body halves.

Flowrox SKF knife gate valves DN 900 - 1500 (36" - 60") use a new approach. Instead of a tower design, two actuator cylinders are positioned on the sides.





#### From features to benefits

#### Product benefits

- Small face-to-face dimension
- Easy installation
- Available in large size scale
- Low maintenance cost

**Image:** Elastomer sleeves on both sides of the gate provide a tight shut off.





Slurry knife gate design DN50 – 800 / 2″ – 32″



Slurry knife gate design DN900 – 1500 / 36" – 60"

Flowrox SKF knife gate valves use a new approach



Instead of tower design, we use the "twin-actuator" where the actuators are positioned on the sides.

#### Customer benefits

- Cost-effective
- Reliable operation
- Long service intervals
- Trouble-free operation

## Sleeves – The core of Flowrox valves

Our technologically advanced Flowrox sleeves guarantee high resistance to wear and corrosion, trouble-free operation and extended lifetime.

### Robust heart of the pinch valve

The handmade sleeve has reinforced construction, making it the pressure-containing part of the valve.

Standard Flowrox PV, PVE and PVG sleeves are equipped with opening tags to ensure full valve opening in all process conditions.

The high-grade Flowrox sleeve materials range from wear resistant styrene butadiene to numerous other elastomers and rubber compunds. These materials are highly resistant to abrasive and corrosive slurries, powders and granular substances.

#### **Sleeve Material Alternatives**

- SBRT = Styrene butadiene
- EPDM = Ethylene propylene
- NR = Natural rubber

- NBR = Nitrile
- CSM = Hypalon
- EPDMB = Green liquor sleeve
- CR = Chloroprene
- IIR = Butyl
- NRF = Foodstuff natural rubber
- NBRF = Foodstuff Nitrile
- HNBR = Hydrogenated nitrile
- FPM = Fluorine rubber

#### Ring sleeves for knife gate valves

The sleeve is a moulded part with a reinforced steel ring integrated near the sealing area. The flange of the sleeve is reinforced with a load distribution ring to ensure even compression.

#### **Ring sleeve material alternatives:**

- NR
- EPDM
- NBR

#### Special Sleeve Features

- Conical sleeve for control valves
- Suction sleeve for negative pressure applications
- SensoMate sleeve detecting and signalling critical wear
- Polyurethane-lined sleeve with improved protection against wear in abrasive control applications
- Food grade rubber for FDA requirements



Special sleeve designs



### Global product support with local presence

We offer prompt support, spare parts and services in order to maximize your performance.

#### **Optimizing operations**

We manufacture and deliver original spare parts and components for all Flowrox products including valves, hose pumps, and PC pumps.

Thanks to our dependable, fast, and trouble-free delivery of spares and services you can rest assured that downtime is minimized. Top-quality product construction ensures the longevity of your equipment.

And thanks to our optimized service cycles and reliability, you can expect noticeable cost savings in your operations.

#### A reliable partnership

Enjoy the benefits that come with selecting a valve partner that understands your process needs and unique challenges.

Our products provide industryproven efficiency and reliability based on well-thought-out designs and material selections paired with dedicated service expertise.

Full product assemblies with service coverage across their entire lifecycle, all from one responsible source, ensure optimized performance. Comprehensive valve installation, maintenance and spare services

- Site survey services
- Spare parts and component services
- Installation, maintenance and repair services
- Analysis services / commissioning / training

### Flowrox valve product portfolio

#### Valves

Flowrox™ pinch valves					
Product	Series & type markings	Design	Specifications		Application
Flowrox heavy duty pinch valves with enclosed body	<b>PVE, PVE/S and</b> <b>PVS-series</b> Global: PVE200AK6-203L,SBRT North America: PVE8AK90-203L,SBRT	Enclosed body prevents premature sleeve deterioration and protects the sleeve, making it extremely safe to operate. The rubber sleeve is the only wearing part.	Size: Pressure: Temperature: Actuator:	DN 25 - 800 NPS 1" - 32" Bigger sizes upon request Up to 100 bar / 1500 psi -50 to +160 °C / 32 to +210 °F Manual, manual with gear, pneumatic, electric, hydraulic	High cycle applications Shut off and control applications involving abrasive or corrosive slurries, powders or granular substances.
Flowrox heavy duty pinch valves with open body	<b>PV-series</b> Global: PV150M10-203L, EPDM North America: PV6M10-203L, EPDM	Open body for non-hazardous media, lower pres- sures, and operat- ing temperatures. Isolates vibration and tolerates minor misalignments of the pipeline.	Size: Pressure: Temperature: Actuator:	DN 80 – 800 / NPS 3"– 32" Bigger sizes upon request 25 bar / 375 psi -50 to +160 °C / 32 to +210 °F Manual, manual with gear, pneumatic, electric, hydraulic	
Flowrox general line pinch valves with actuator	<b>PVG-series</b> Global: PVG100A6-2/60, SBRT North America: PVEG4M150-2/65,SBRT	Robust with strong metal body, single-sided simple closing mechanism. Substantial savings based on improved performance.	Size: Pressure: Temperature: Actuator:	DN50 – 250 / 2" – 10" Up to 10 bar / 150 psi 0 to +110 °C / 32 to +230 °F Manual, pneumatic, electric	Low cycle applications Isolation duty Shut off involving pressure resistance, heat, abrasion, corrosion and aggressive slurries.
Flowrox general line pinch valve with polyamide body	<b>PVEG-series</b> Global: PVEG100M10-2/65, SBRT North America: PVEG4M150-2/65,SBRT	A robust yet compact and light-weight, made of polyamide blend with single-sided closing mechanism.	Size: Pressure: Temperature: Actuator:	DN 50 – 150 / NPS 2" – 6" Up to 10 bar / 150 psi 0 to +70 °C / 32 to +158 °F Manual, pneumatic	Low cycle applications Isolation duty Industries that require bubble tight shut-off involving aggressive slurries, abrasion, corrosion, and pressure resistance.

Flowrox™ slurry knife gate valves					
Product	Series & type markings	Design	Specifications		Application
Flowrox slurry wafer knife gate valve	<b>SKW-series</b> Global: SKW100A10-20S1-NR North America: SKW4A150-20S1-NR	Wafer Integrated load distribution ring prevents over compression during installation. One-piece body & universal tower design for actuator interchangeability.	Size: Pressure: Temperature: Seat:	DN50 - 600 / 2" - 24" 10 bar / 145 psi 0 to +100 °C / -32 to +212 °F Several material options	Isolation duties only For heavy duty purposes to isolate flow, even in the most demanding process conditions. Bi-directional
North America:	Global: SKF100A10-20S1-NR	Flanged Integrated load distribution ring prevents over compression during installation. One-piece body & universal tower design for actuator interchangeability.	Size: Pressure: Temperature: Seat:	DN80 – 900 / 3″– 36″ 0 bar / 145 psi 0 to +100 °C / -32 to +212 °F Several material options	flow tolerates backflow and elastomer sleeves on both sides of the gate provide tight shut off.
	SKH4MG300-40S1-NR		Size: Pressure: Temperature: Seat:	DN1000 – 1200 / 40"– 48" 6 bar / 87 psi 0 to +100 °C / -32 to +212 °F Several material options	
			Size: Pressure: Temperature: Seat:	DN1300 – 1500 / 54" – 60" 4 bar / 58 psi 0 to +100 °C / -32 to +212 °F Several material options	
Flowrox slurry high pressure knife gate valve	<b>SKH-series</b> Global: SKH100MG20-4053-NR North America: SKH4MG300-4053-NR	Featuring ring sleeve retaining flanges preventing over compression and ease of installation. One-piece body and universal tower design for actuator interchangeability.	Size: Pressure: Temperature: Seat:	DN80 – 600 / 3″– 24″ Up to 20 bar / 300 psi 0 to +100 °C / -32 to +212 °F Several material options	For high pressure applications Isolation duties only

#### Spare parts for Flowrox valves

Spare parts for Flowrox valves				
Product	Series	Design	Specification	s
Sleeves	PV, PVE, PVE/S, PVS PVEG and PVG-series	Reinforced construction, pressure-containing. Opening tags to ensure full opening in all conditions	Material:	SBRT, EPDM,NR, NBR,CSM, EPDMB, CR, NRF, NBRF, HNBR, FPM
	SKW, SKF and SKH-series	Moulded part with a reinforced steel ring near the sealing area. Sleeve flange reinforced with a load distribution ring for even compression.	Material:	NR, EPDM, NBR
Sealing sets for valve cylinders	All		Pneumatic and hydraulic actuators	
Other spare parts	All		Bushings, sec	condary seals, sealing strips and others parts



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