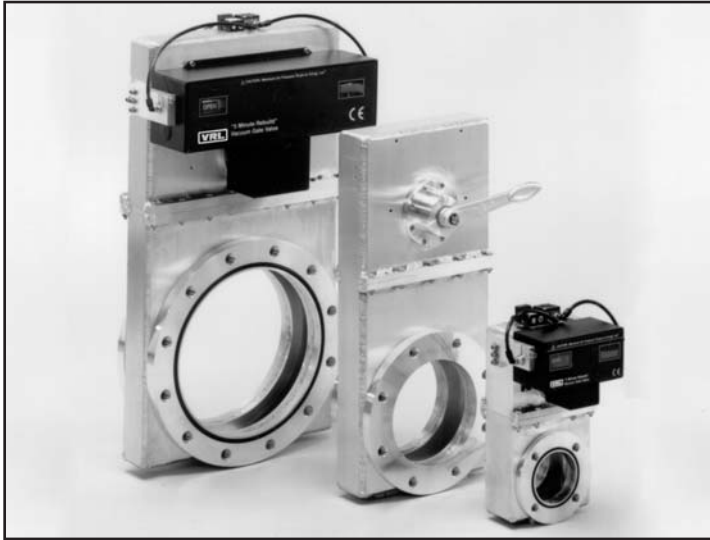




Stainless and Aluminum Gate Valves



Aluminum valves with (left to right): Electro Pneumatic, Manual, and Motor Actuators. Stainless Steel valves also available.

ANSI, ISO, JIS, or Special Flanges

These Vacuum Research 5 minute rebuild valves are available with virtually any flange or combination of flanges at no extra charge. Combinations of ISO on one flange and ANSI on the other are easily accommodated. Even different sizes such as 4 inch on one flange and 6 inch on the other.

Insertable "Flangeless" Valves

It is sometimes helpful to keep the flange to flange dimension ("A" dimension on the dimensions pages) as short as possible. In such cases your valves can be provided with no port flanges at all and with either O-Ring grooves machined into the valve body or with a precision machined surface on the body to seal against the O-rings on your pump or chamber. Contact the factory for prices.

Aluminum or Stainless Steel

Vacuum Research Bonnet Style valves are available in stainless steel or 6061 aluminum. Smooth surface finish gives low outgassing and fast pump down.

High Conductance

In addition to the oversize ports used in the LPWA Series for the last 40 years, we now offer the X-LPWA Series where a 4 inch valve has a 6 inch port, an 8 inch valve has a 10 inch port, etc. Conductance values are shown on page 39.

Fail Safe

All Vacuum Research Valves can be installed for fast close on power failure and air operated valves can be manually positioned without air or electricity.

Long Life

More than 250,000 cycles for aluminum valves. That's one cycle every 2 minutes, 24 hours/day for a year. An optional million cycle design is available.

SolidWorks *.STEP Files

Contact us to obtain SolidWorks 3D *.STEP format modeling files that plug formatted VRC valve 3-D models into your computer-aided design projects.



Less Outgassing Than Stainless Steel

Dozens of papers show the 6000 Series aluminum used in VRC valves outgasses up to 2 orders of magnitude less than 300 Series stainless steel and of course no hydrogen. A bibliography of 70 peer reviewed papers about outgassing compiled by Dr. M. Wong at Fermi Labs can be found at http://home.fnal.gov/~mlwong/outgas_rev.htm. See page 39 for more information

Vacuum & Pressure

Vacuum Research valves stay sealed with vacuum or atmosphere on either side.

Satisfaction Guaranteed

Vacuum Research has been building high vacuum valves for almost 50 years and has earned a reputation for world class product quality and customer service. If you are not satisfied with our valve just send it back.

No Leaks

All Vacuum Research valves have total leak rates of less than 5×10^{-10} std cc/sec. By total leak we mean that each completed valve is tested in a He filled bag.

RoHS Compliant

All Valves are (RoHS) 2015/863/EU Compliant and carry the CE mark.

Electric Motor, Air or Manual Actuators

All Vacuum Research gate valves are available with 3 types of actuators. Manual actuators are the least expensive. Electro-pneumatic actuators use 70 psi (4.9 kg/cm) compressed air and include the solenoid (specify the solenoid voltage that is most convenient for you). Electric motor actuators use high torque servo motors and operate from 115V or 230V, 1Ø 50 or 60 Hz. CE Mark included.


Roughing and Gauge Ports

There are six locations for optional gauge and roughing ports described on page 42.

Position Indicators, Limit Switches

Visual indication of valve position is included on all valves. Limit switches for remote indication are available and are described on the Optional Features pages in the Accessories & Parts section.

Complete Rebuild



in 5 Minutes!

With no special tools or training you can replace every moving part in your Vacuum Research Bonnet Style Valve in 5 minutes. (Our best guys can do it in less time, but they practice.)