





# Bidachem S.p.A., Fornovo San Giovanni/Italy

Bidachem chooses InterApp's application know-how and its products.









# Bidachem S.p.A. in Italy specialises in the manufacture of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) and intermediates for the pharmaceutical industry.

Pharmaceutical synthesis at the Bidachem facility produces vapours that need to be treated in a thermal regeneration combustor. The presence of organic chlorinates necessitated the adoption of various design factors, including an incolumn oxidisedgas cleaning system. The combustor had to be able to withstand the condensed acids caused by the presence of HCl and be able to cope with combustion fume temperatures that could drop below dew point.

Bidachem needed to find the best products available for this demanding environment.

Total organic carbon emissions are regulated by CE directives. The entry and exit points of the columns were therefore fitted with InterApp Bianca DN 600 butterfly valves with PTFE liner and PFA coated discs. The valves have to intercept what is an almost completely leaktight system and are operated by InterApp's pneumatic Actuator IA Motion, running in a 2-minute cycle.

At other sensitive points, InterApp Desponia valves were installed to intercept process flow, all in the transitional phases of ignition and shutdown as well as for emergencies and safety procedures. The valves are exposed to chemical, physical and thermal stress due to the presence of aggressive contaminants in the process gases.

Working in close collaboration with Bidachem and Babcock-Wanson, InterApp's specialists defined the ideal material specifications required to withstand these extreme conditions.

InterApp's engineers then developed a solution that included an interception valve in the fractioning column, which is the most delicate point of the whole thermal regeneration combustor.

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