R&D LABORATORY

CENTER OF TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION
The culmination of a multi-million Euro investment in technology and a long-standing intellectual collaboration with some of Italy’s leading scientific institutions, MP Filtri’s new state-of-the-art Research and Development Centre has been established as a center of technical excellence and innovation. Based in Pessano con Bornago, Milan, the 1,100 square-metre scientific research facility places a sharp focus on practical industrial applications.

It has been created to spearhead the development of an innovative range of market-leading products; enhance the quality and reliability of the existing portfolio, and support the creation of bespoke customer-driven prototype designs.

MP Filtri’s dedication to excellence in scientific research has been built on the close partnerships it has established with the Polytechnic of Milan, the University of Bologna and the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia.
The ‘heart’ of the center is the test bench facility which has been specially designed to validate the operating characteristics and performance of filter elements and filter assemblies. These advanced work stations offer pinpoint accuracy in measuring the level of contamination from solid particles in oils under pressure, including “ESD” electrostatic discharge phenomena.

All tests are carried out in accordance with international standards and reproduce the precise conditions of the pressure and flow of any hydraulic circuit inside controlled and filtered climate chambers.

**A REFERENCE FOR THE MARKET**

- 16 test benches
- 8 laboratory specific equipment for analyzing contamination
- 15 ISO and DIN International Standard
- 29 different tests

Per year:
- More than 200 tests requested
- More than 1500 tested components
- More than 90 Multi-pass tests
MORE THAN JUST A TEST CENTER

Far more than just a test center, facilities include:

- Specialized training areas
- Comfortable meeting rooms and study areas
- Enabling customers to combine academic and theoretical training with hands-on practical work on state-of-the-art test benches

This creates perfect opportunities for mastering how the equipment works in tackling fluid contamination, boosting the knowledge and expertise of delegates and gaining experience in a realistic working environment.
Supported by the latest technology, including scanning electron microscopes, MP Filtri’s exhaustive testing program is carried out with special emphasis on its comprehensive MULTIPASS analysis - which has been created in accordance with ISO16889. This method compares the amount of contaminant present upstream and downstream of the filter element - calculating the ratio of Beta filtration by the size of the particles and retention capacity.

The maximum working pressure and pressure drop through the filter according to the flow rate test (ISO 3968) and bubble point test (ISO 2942) are also examined, including the point of emergence of the first air bubble from the material of the filter element as a function of pressure.

ISO 10771-1  Fatigue pressure testing of metal pressure-containing envelopes
ISO 16860  Test method for differential pressure devices
ISO 16889  Multi-pass method for evaluating filtration performance of a filter element
ISO 18413  Inspection document and principles related to contaminant extraction and analysis and data reporting
ISO 23181  Determination of resistance to flow fatigue using high viscosity fluid
ISO 2941  Verification of collapse/burst pressure rating
ISO 2942  Verification of fabrication integrity and determination of the first bubble point
ISO 2943  Verification of material compatibility with fluids
ISO 3724  Determination of resistance to flow fatigue using particulate contaminant
ISO 3968  Evaluation of differential pressure versus flow characteristics
ISO 4405  Determination of particulate contamination by the gravimetric method
ISO 4406  Method for coding the level of contamination by solid particles
ISO 4407  Determination of particulate contamination by the counting method using an optical microscope
ISO 16232-7  Particle sizing and counting by microscopic analysis
DIN 51777  Determination of water content using titration according to Karl Fischer