Next Generation Control Technology

Opti-Dry® Gen2

PC/PLC Freeze Dryer Control System

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Opti-Dry Gen2 Freeze Drying Control System

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NEW ADDED FEATURES	MILLROCK TECHNOLOGY	THE COMPETITION
Cycle Assist to Auto-Generate Freeze Drying Protocols	✔	✖
Auto-Generate Annealing and Super Cooling Steps	✔	✖
Batch Reporting with Interactive Graphing	✔	✖
Set Shelf Ramping Temperature by Time or Rate	✔	✖
Detailed Run Time Data for Customized PM	✔	✖
Customized System Testing by User Criteria	✔	✖
Flexible End of Primary Drying Trigger Points	✔	✖

Six Key Features

Opti-Dry Gen2 has been programmed with the deep knowledge of our scientists and engineering teams to ensure the most efficient and effective freeze drying cycle from the start.

Cycle Assist

Cycle Assist enables the operator to automatically generate freeze drying protocols, including annealing and supercooling steps.

Batch Reporting

Enables the user to produce detailed interactive graphs and tabular reports. Multi-dimensional reports and graphs are easily printed or exported to PDF or CSV formats.

Shelf Temperature Ramping by Rate or Time

Simply choose your shelf temperature ramping method, either by time or rate and Opti-Dry Gen2 does the rest.

Customized Preventative Maintenance Scheduling

Run-time data of critical components is constantly collected and available to both the operator and Millrock's service technicians for PM to reduce downtime.

Customized System Testing

Built-in system test to manufacturer's specifications or user specified criteria.

End of Primary Drying Trigger Points

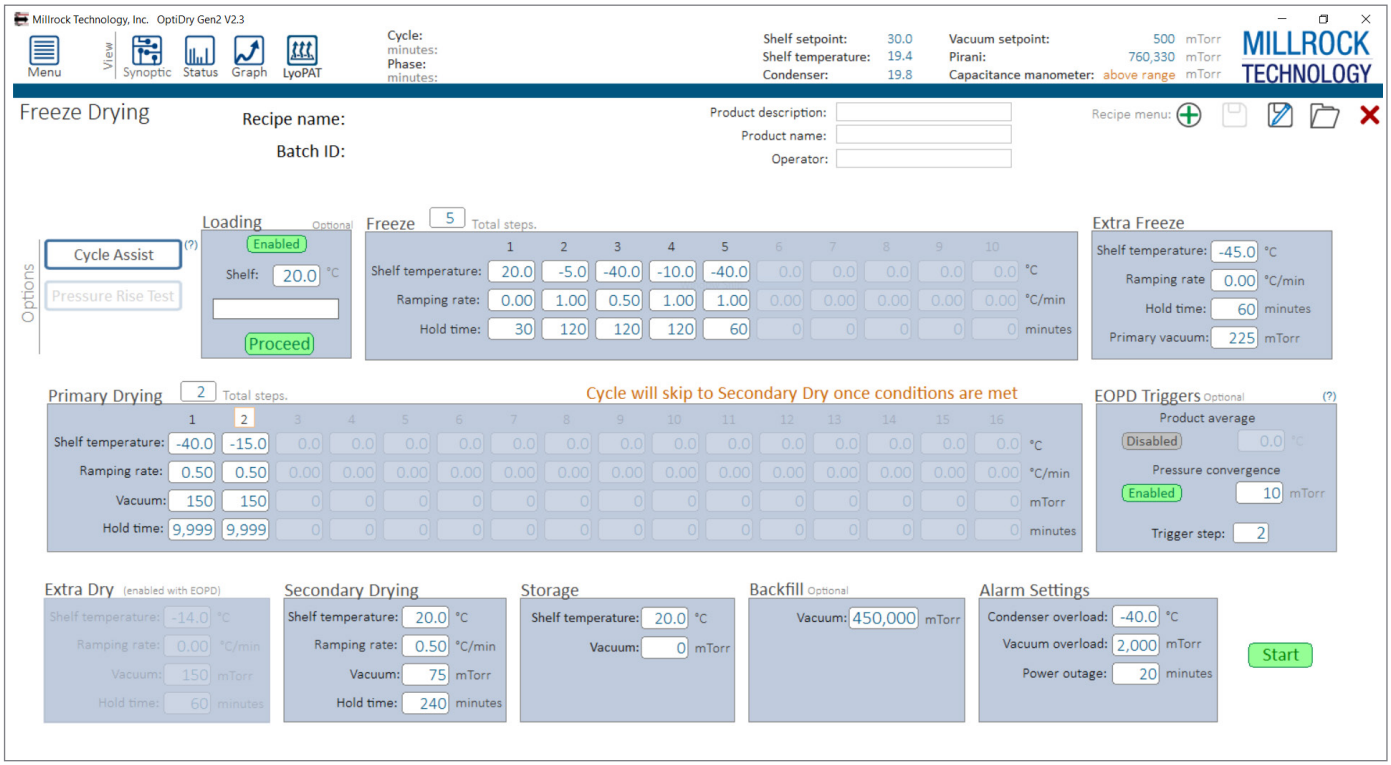
End of primary drying trigger points by Pirani and Capacitance Manometer convergence or product temperature. User selectable EOPD trigger activation point ensuring minimum dry time.

Operational Overview of Opti-Dry Gen2

Freezing

The first major phase of the lyophilization process:

- The system ramps to a set shelf temperature at the set rate.
- Hold the shelves at that temperature for the set hold time, before proceeding to the next step.
- Once the end of the hold time for the last active Freezing step is reached the system will progress to **Extra Freeze**.



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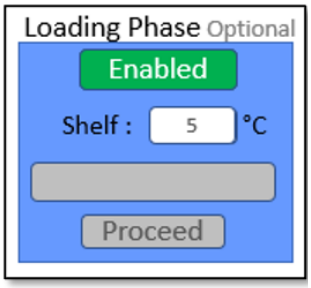
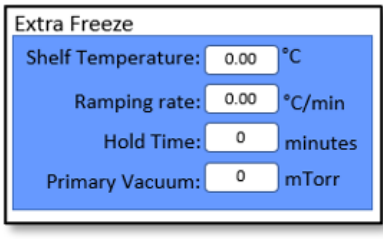


- **Loading Step** - Precool the shelves to a set temperature while at atmospheric pressure.

- **Extra Freeze** - Option serves two purposes:
  - Final freezing step to further ensure complete product crystallization.
  - An alarm recovery step to attempt to protect the equipment and product in the event of an alarm response.

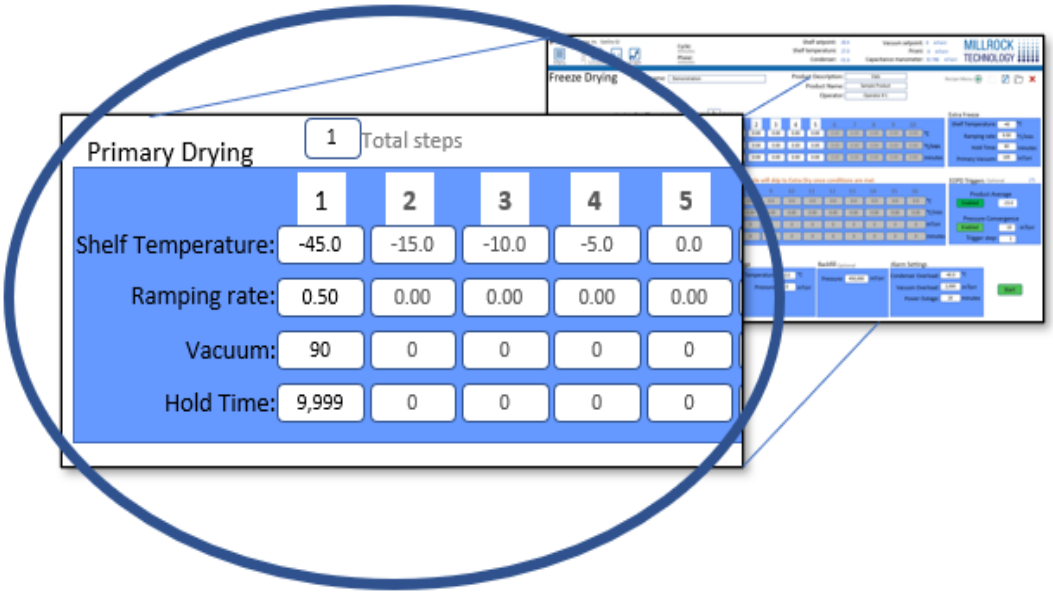


- **EZ Dry Cycle Assist Supercool** - Holds the shelves at the supercool temperature to allow the product to equilibrate before nucleation, increasing the homogeneity of the batch.

- **EZ Dry Cycle Assist Anneal** - Utilization allows time for the ice crystals to grow and rearrange to lower the product resistance in primary drying.

Primary Drying

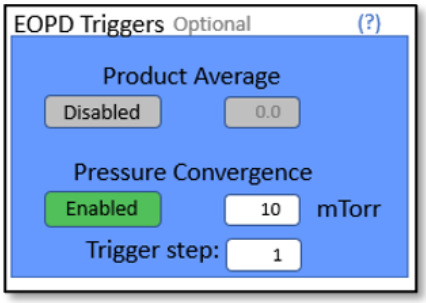
The shelves will ramp to the set shelf temperature at the set rate and will then hold at that temperature for the set hold time, before proceeding to the next step. During the entire ramping and holding duration of the step the system will also control the chamber pressure at the vacuum setpoint.



SELECTABLE OPTIONS

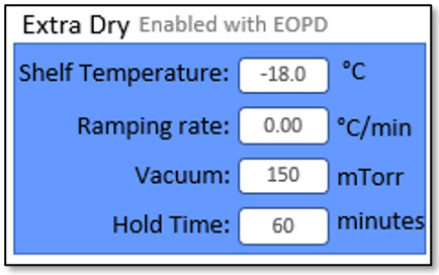
Extra Dry is an optional drying step following the primary drying phase.

- This step is used as a 'finishing sequence' to account for heterogeneity in drying rates across a batch, helping to ensure that the entire batch has been sublimated.
- The next step can be initiated manually or the activation of an **End of Primary Drying Trigger**.



Freeze Drying Mode – End of Primary Drying (EOPD) Triggers

EOPD Triggers enables the detection of end of sublimation during primary drying. These triggers are used to automatically end the Primary Drying phase once the 'end of sublimation' has been detected, reducing the total cycle time.



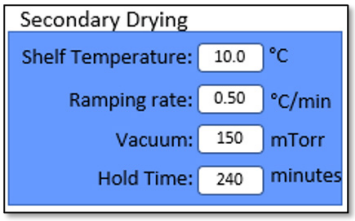
End of Primary Drying Triggers

- By Product Average Temperature
- By Pirani and Capacitance Manometer Pressure Differential

The **Product Average Trigger** determines the end of primary drying based on the average product temperature of the enabled product probes. During primary drying, when the average of the enabled product thermocouples reaches the setpoint and remains equal to or greater than the setpoint for two continuous minutes, the system will automatically progress to Extra Dry or Secondary Dry depending on the Freeze Dry settings.

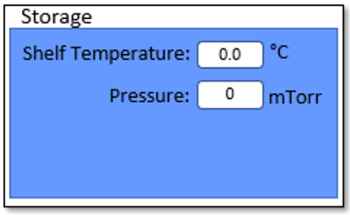
The **Pressure Convergence Trigger** determines the end of primary drying based on a comparison of the readings of the Pirani gauge and Capacitance Manometer. The Pirani vacuum gauge measures vacuum through a heated filament and reads higher than the capacitance manometer in the presence of water vapor. The Capacitance Manometer indicates the absolute vacuum and is not affected by water vapor in the system. The end of primary drying can therefore be detected when the reading from the Pirani gauge converges with the reading from the Capacitance Manometer, indicating an absence of water vapor in the chamber and the end of sublimation.

Secondary Drying



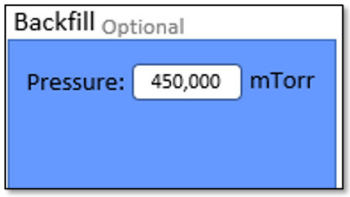
Secondary Drying is the final main phase in the lyophilization process:

- Bound water is driven off by desorption
- System ramps to set shelf temperature at set rate for set hold time
- Proceeds to storage



Storage is the final step in the lyophilization cycle:

- Ballistically controls the shelf temperature to set point
- Holds temperature until cycle is ended
- Controls chamber pressure to vacuum setpoint until end of cycle or backfill



Backfill and stoppering:

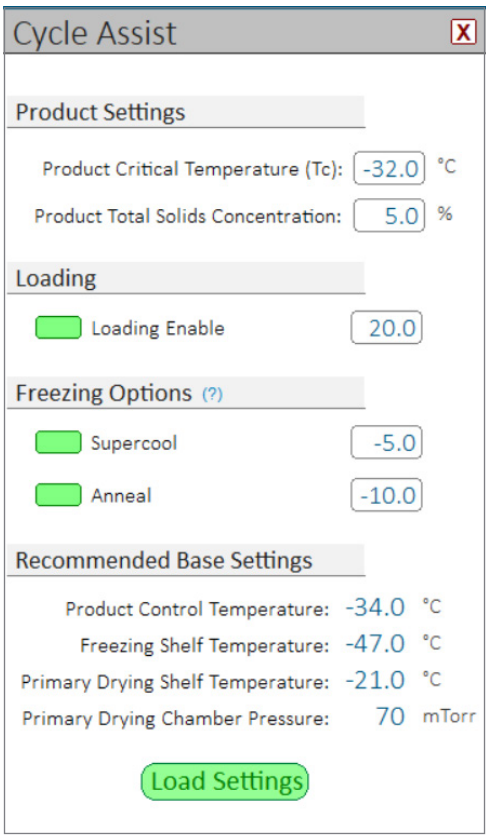
- Optional final steps before removing product
- Holds temperature until cycle is ended by the operator
- Controls chamber pressure to vacuum setpoint until end of cycle or backfill
- Release valve opens, backfill setpoint is reached and release valve closes

EZ Dry Cycle Assist

Intelligent, automatically generated protocols

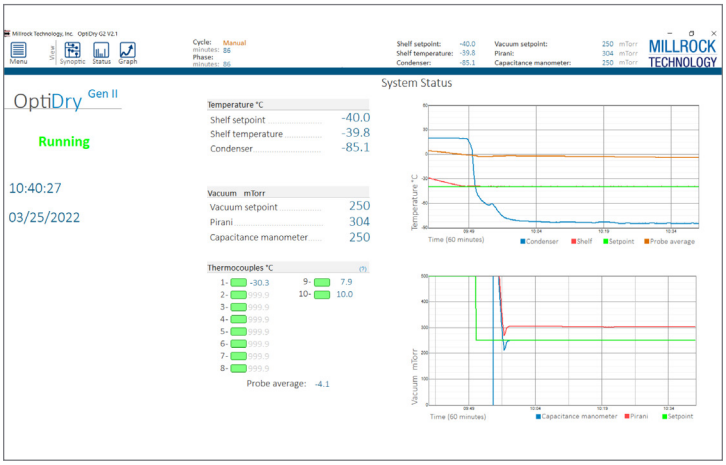
Enter the product critical temperature, % concentration, and freezing options and the software will automatically generate a recommended freeze-drying protocol.

- Product Control Temperature
- Freezing Shelf Temperature
- Primary Drying Shelf Temperature
- Primary Drying Chamber Pressure



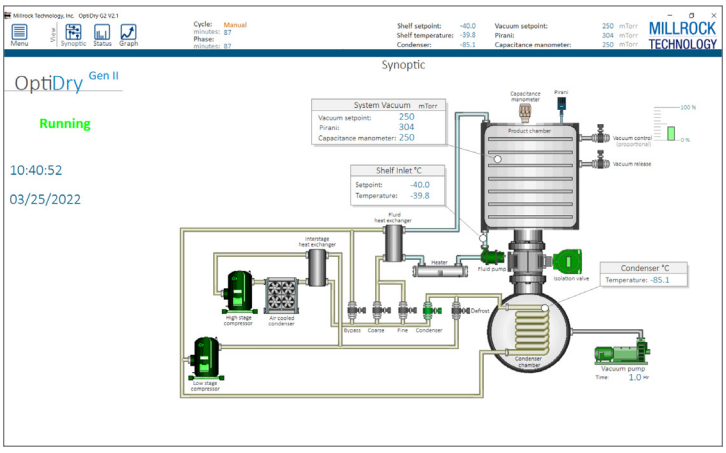
EZ Dry Cycle Assist also enables the operator to add **Supercool** and **Annealing** steps automatically. The **Supercool** option holds the shelves at the **Supercool** temperature for two hours before proceeding with freezing. This allows the product to equilibrate at a set temperature before nucleating, increasing the homogeneity of the batch. The **Anneal** option increases the shelf temperature to the selected temperature and hold for two hours after the initial freezing step, before then cooling back down to the freezing temperature. This allows time for the ice crystals to grow and rearrange to form larger pores and lower the product resistance in primary drying.

Sample Screens



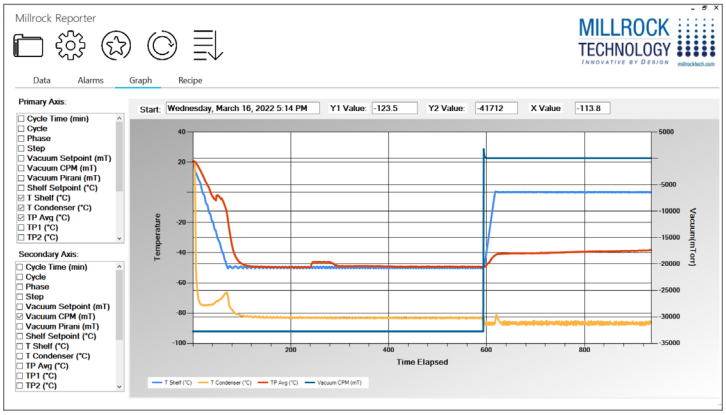
The Status Screen

- Displays all current live data
- System temperature
- Product temperature
- Pressure inputs



The Synoptic Screen

- Displays the status of all major freeze dryer components
- Shows active components in green
- Shows inactive components in grey



Millrock Reporter

- Produces a full batch report including:
  - Protocol/Recipe
  - Process Data
  - Graphical Data
  - Alarms
- All runs are stored for future access
- Easily produces tabular, graphical reports
- Maintains a library of all processing events
- Data can be exported to Excel

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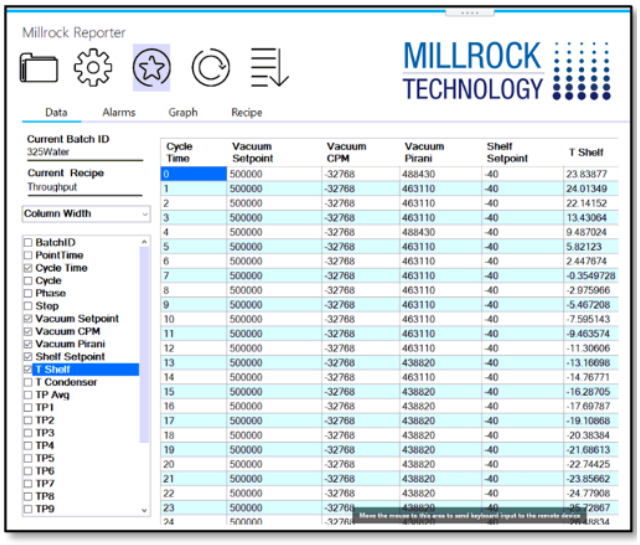
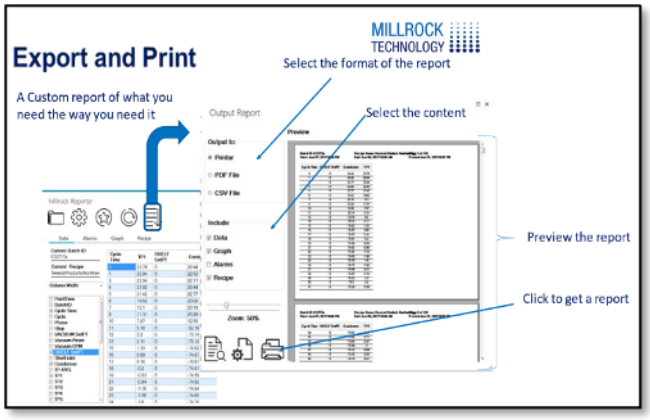


All the process data is collected and stored in an unalterable file format. Data is collected and stored for all process parameters, both set points and read outs, in the freeze drying cycle. Millrock Reporter lets you pick and choose which parameters you want to see and will provide the information in either an alpha-numeric format or graph format. Want a different view, simply click another column entry, or drag and drop columns of data where you would like them to appear. The system also allows you to download and print out the recipe screen and to archive runs. Freeze dryer system alarm data collection is also included.

Millrock Reporter enables numerical and graph reporting as simple or as inclusive as you need and to change those requirements on the fly.



BATCH REPORTING

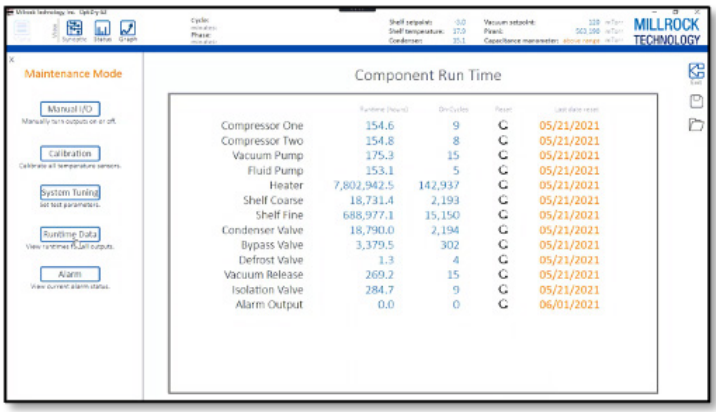
Robust Data Reportable

- Exports to CSV or PDF
- User easily selects sections to include
- Select content, preview, and print

Preventative Maintenance

Opti-Dry Gen2 provides you with the tools required to implement predictive maintenance.

- Runtime for all major components
- Remote access to Millrock service team
- Assists with diagnostics and maintenance



Summary

Opti-Dry Gen2 is designed to easily produce a freeze drying protocol in less time. It organizes the freeze drying process into a natural workflow of steps.

- Processes such as **Supercooling**, **Annealing**, **Extra Drying** and **EPDT** are accessible as one-click options making them easier to include for experienced operators and newcomers alike.
- The system's robustness for data collection, access and reporting allows users to visualize any aspect of the process including cycle comparison analysis.
- Machine component run times on all major parts such as compressors, pumps, heaters and valves are continuously recorded

OptiDry Gen2 features are derived from decades of experience to support the most complex freeze drying needs, as well as to support users with little experience and in need of baseline protocol development.

OptiDry Gen2 is available on the Millrock family of freeze dryers

STELLAR® FREEZE DRYER
Lab 3.75 ft2-6.25ft2

REVO® FREEZE DRYER
Lab R&D 2ft2-10ft2

MAGNUM® FREEZE DRYER
Pilot Scale 10ft2-20ft2

MAGNUM XL® FREEZE DRYER
Pilot Scale 20ft2-30ft2

EPIC FREEZE DRYER
Small Production 15ft2-30ft2

QUANTA FREEZE DRYER
Production Scale 8ft2-400ft2

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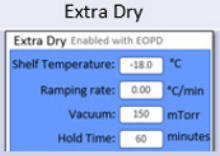
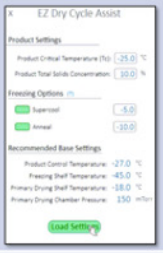
Freezing	Primary Drying	Phase Trigger	Secondary Drying
Set Rate & time	Set Rate & Time	Average Product Temperature	Set Rate & Time
Extra Freeze	Extra Dry	Pressure Convergence	Backfill
Super Cooling			Stoppering
Annealing			Storage
Loading			



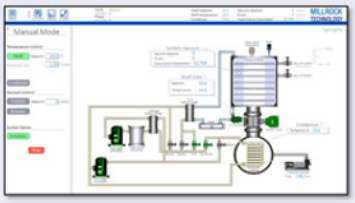
EZ Dry Cycle Assist – Automatically Generated a Recommended Freezing Drying Protocol based on Critical Temperature value and Total Solid Concentration.



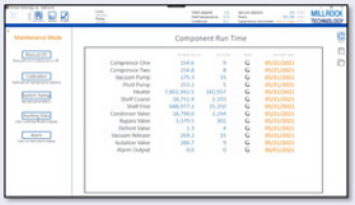
Real Time Status Screen

Millrock Reporter

Synoptic View of Operational State



Predictive Maintenance for Proactive PM



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Millrock Difference

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