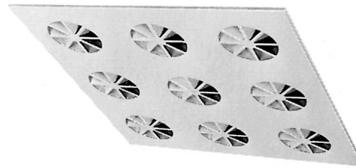




## Air diffusion systems



### Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA

#### General

The Multi-outlet Swirl diffusers are designed for the supply of air in ventilation or air conditioning systems which have high air change rate requirements.

- High cooling loads can be achieved due to high induction ability.
- High degree of air coverage with minimum distance between diffusers.
- Symmetrical low room air movement in the occupied zone with high air change rates.

#### Air flow rate range:

33–180 l.s<sup>-1</sup> (120–650 m<sup>3</sup>.h<sup>-1</sup>)

#### Mounting height:

3,0–4,0 m

#### Temp. diff. supply to room air:

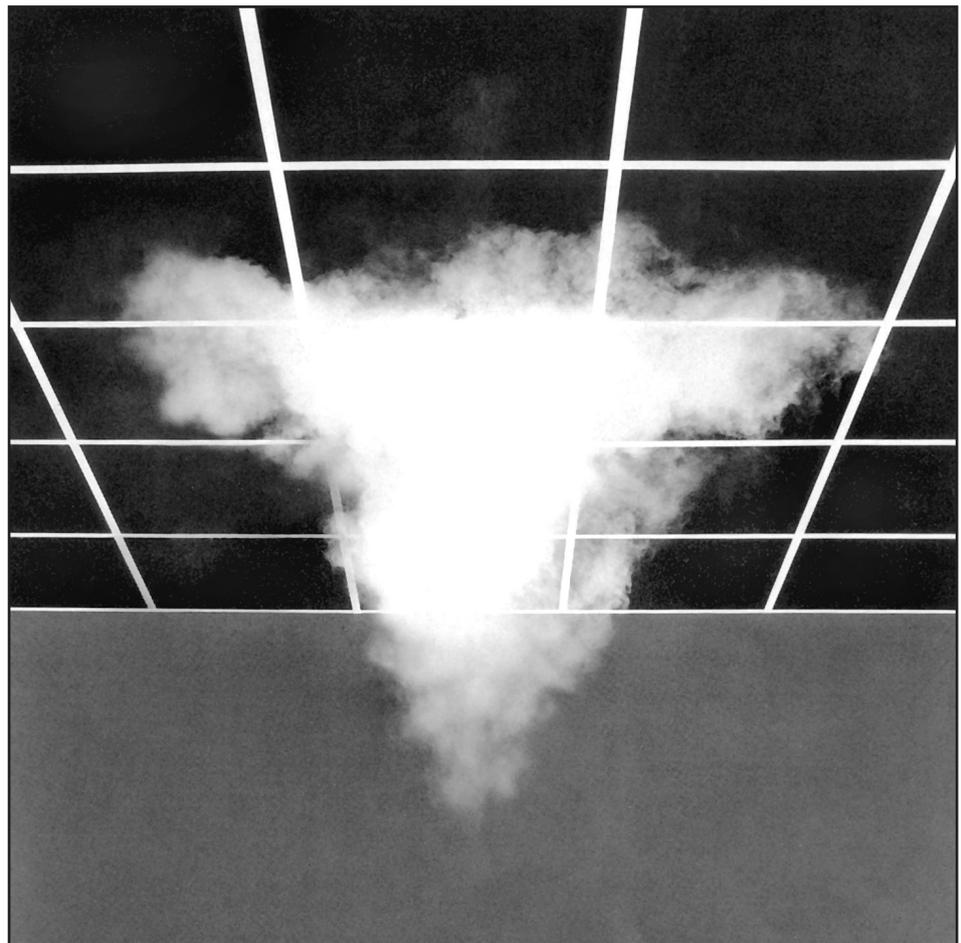
+ 8 K Cooling  
– 8 K Heating

#### Function

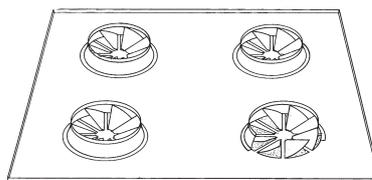
Each of the individual swirl diffusers produce separate swirling jets which create a high induction at the outlet of the diffuser resulting in horizontal air patterns.

At the inner section of the diffuser matrix the horizontal air patterns converge and subsequently form vertical air pattern below the diffuser.

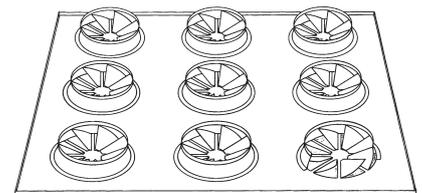
Through pre-determined selection of the arrangement of the individual diffuser elements, various air patterns can be obtained.



#### Available sizes



Size 4



Size 9

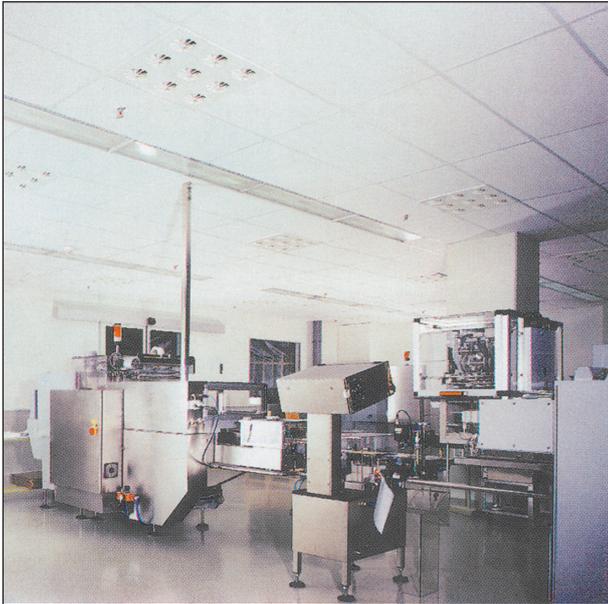
# Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA

## Applications

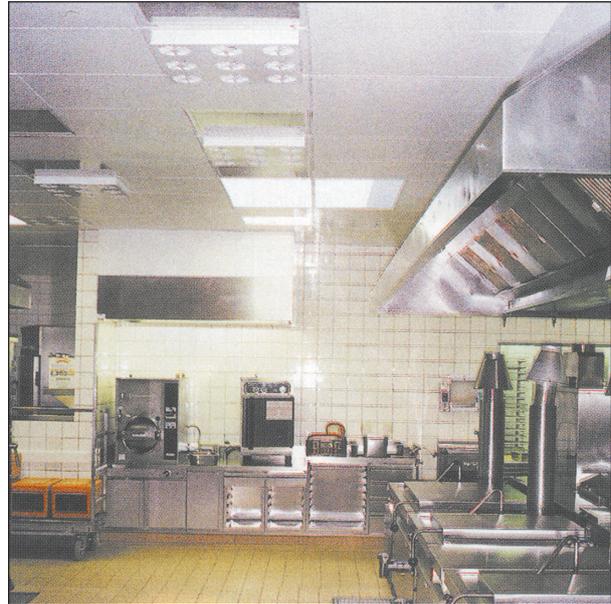
- Clean rooms
- Laboratories
- Kitchens
- Production areas

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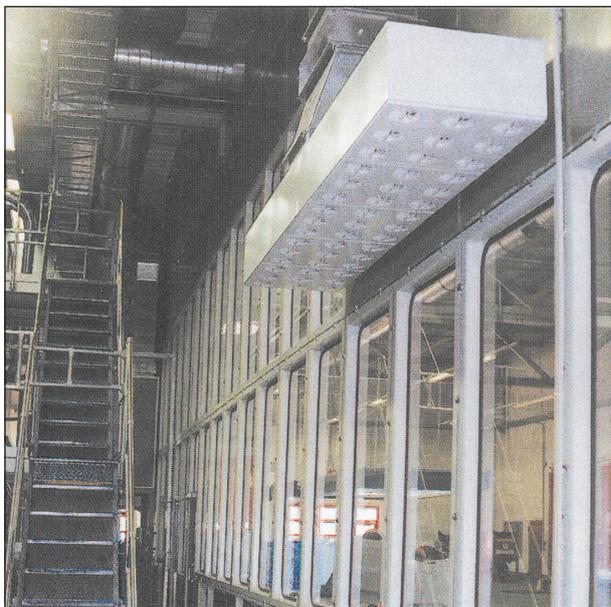
Clean room: Packing area at Pfizer, Freiburg



Kitchen: Senior citizens centre, Ratzeburg



Clean room: Lab at Pfizer, Freiburg



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## Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA

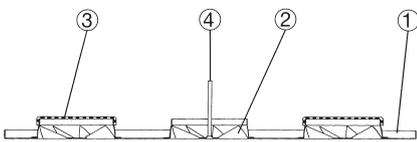
## Construction and dimensions

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The Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser DFA consists of the diffusion plate (1), into which are installed, depending on the nominal size, either 4 or 9 individual size 125 swirl diffusers (2).

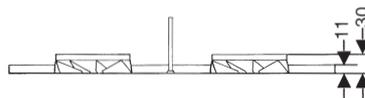
The air flow pattern, especially the vertical projection, can be varied by means of perforated plates installed at the upstream entry to the diffuser element (3).

The Multi-outlet Swirl diffusers DFA are also available in stainless steel.

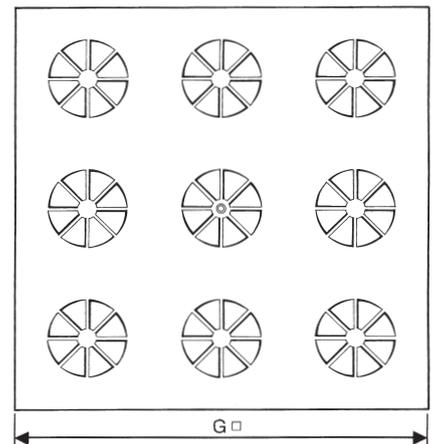
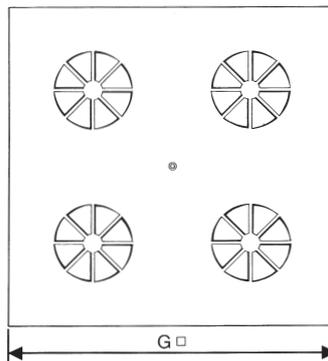
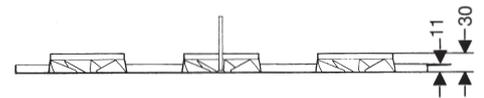


- ① Diffusion plate
- ② Swirl diffuser
- ③ Perforated plate
- ④ Assembly fixing screw

Size 4



Size 9



G (mm)	Style
515	Standard
594	600 sq. lay-in tile module
619	625 sq. lay-in tile module
600	600 sq. tile module
625	625 sq. tile module

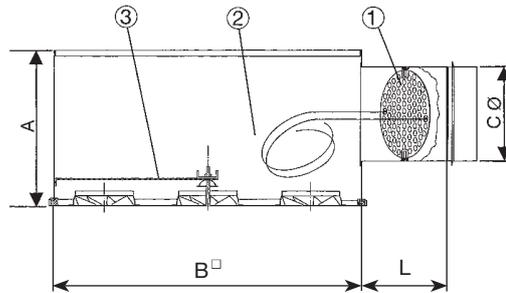
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## Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA

## Connection method

### Connection plenum box (AK) standard system

The standard connection is by means of a rectangular plenum box to which the diffuser plate is fitted by a central fixing screw. The plenum box consists of: horizontal connection spigot with damper and sealant ring (1), plenum box from zinc coated steel (2) and perforated plate flow equaliser (3).



Dimensions (mm)	Size		
	DFA 4	DFA 9	
B	495	580	580
A	260	350	350
C Ø	DN 160	DN 200*	DN 250
L	185	225	275

Connection plenum boxes can also be supplied with internal insulation and/or to special execution.

\*Standard

## Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA

## Selection data

**Diffuser size**

**Effective air flow**

### Selection data

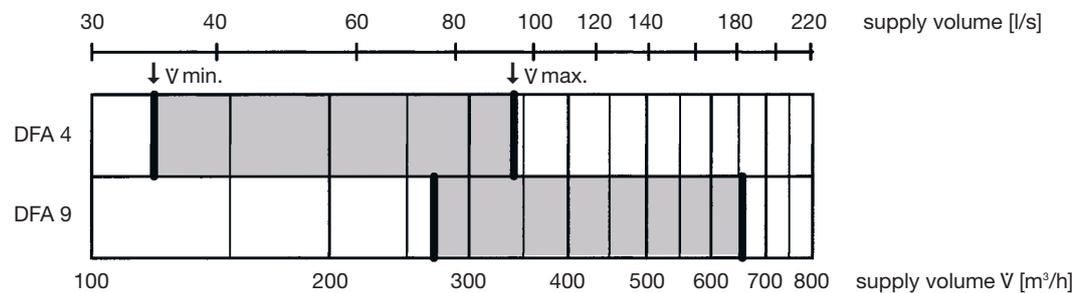
In order to achieve the required air flow pattern in the occupied zone it is necessary to take the following into consideration.

- Selection of the correct size of diffuser
- Vertical air projection as a function of:
  - Air flow rate
  - Air flow pattern setting at the diffuser (only for size DFA 9)
  - Temperature difference, supply air – room air

### Selection of the correct size of diffuser

Fig. 1 shows the recommended size of diffuser against flow rate range for normal use and application. The minimum air flow rate ( $q_{\min}$ ) shown guarantee stable conditions at  $\Delta t = 8\text{ K}$  cooling.

The maximum flow rate ( $q_{\max}$ ) is the flow rate where the noise level is equal to 45 NR.



**Fig. 1: Air flow rate range vs Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser size.**

### Effective air flow rates

The Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser DFA has an essentially vertical air projection.

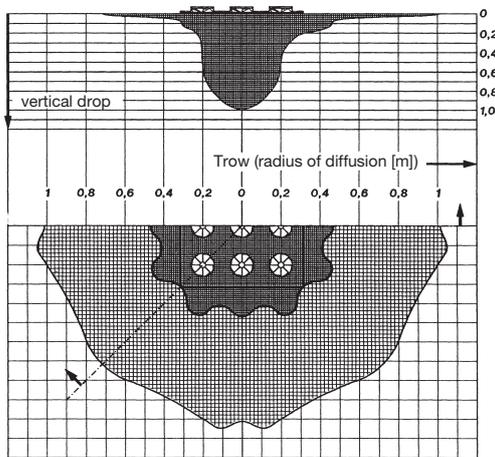
At the region of the diffuser outlet there exists an intensive mixing of the air streams with a very rapid reduction of the temperature difference between supply and room air. At about 100 mm from the diffuser the mixing air stream changes to a vertical piston effect.

**Multi-outlet Swirl  
diffuser type DFA**

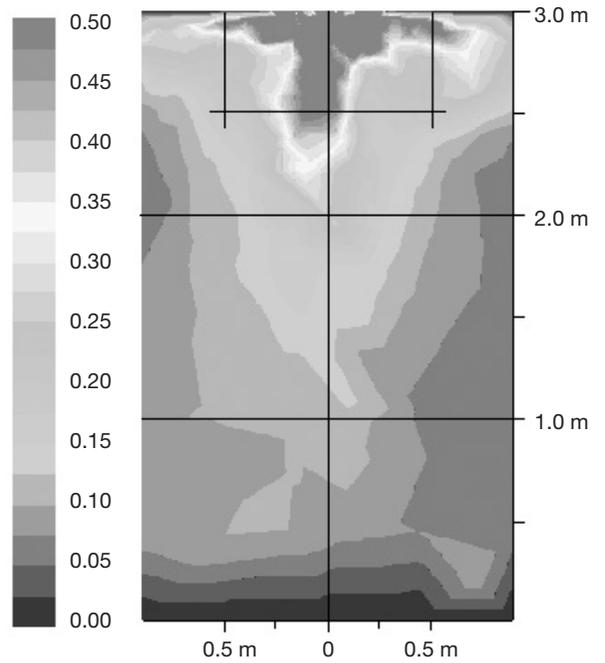
**Selection data**

**Effective air flow  
Vertical air projection**

Fig. 2 shows an example of the typical air flow characteristics with an isovel of  $0,25 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$  of a Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser DFA 9/0.



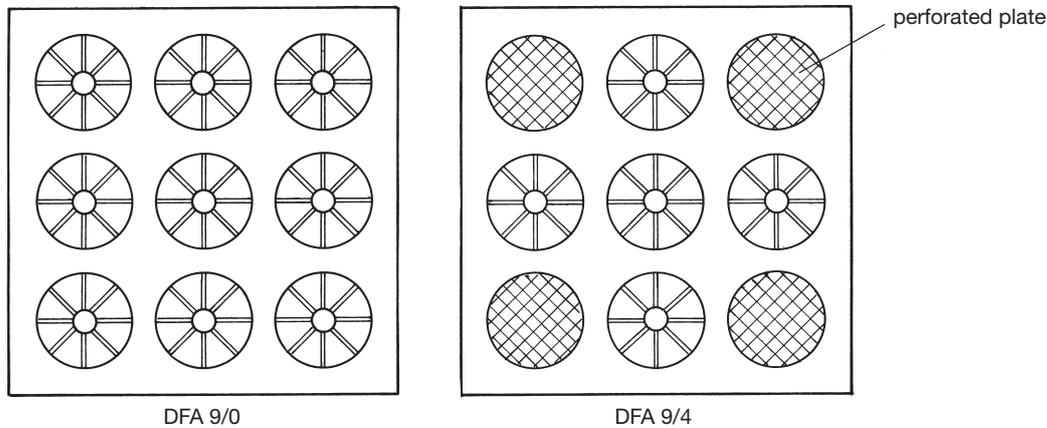
**Fig. 2: Air flow pattern of a Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA 9/0.**  
Throw and vertical drop at  $q = 140 \text{ l.s}^{-1}$  and isothermal conditions.



**Distribution of air velocities, shown by Computer simulation.**

**Vertical drop**

The vertical drop of a Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser depends principally on the air flow rate  $q$ . With the DFA 9/0 there is the possibility to change the vertical drop and air flow pattern by the use of perforated plates at the upstream entry of the individual diffusers (see fig. 3).



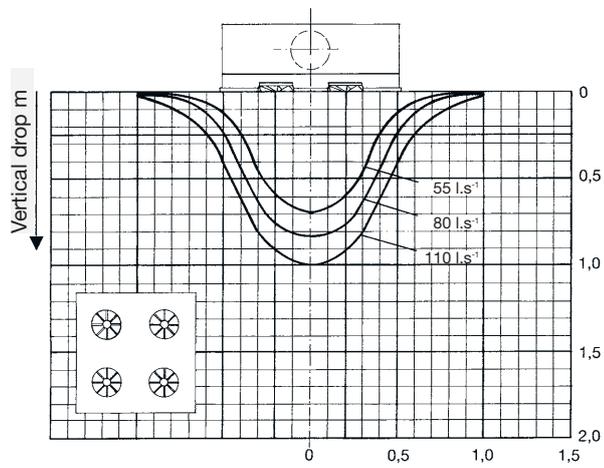
**Fig. 3: Variations available of the Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser DFA 9.**

**Multi-outlet Swirl  
diffuser type DFA**

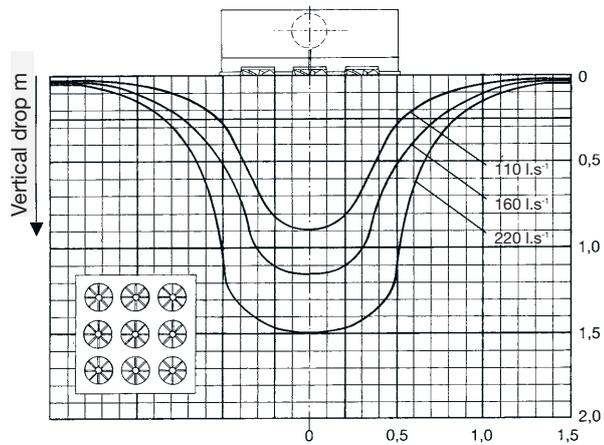
**Selection data**

**Vertical air projection**

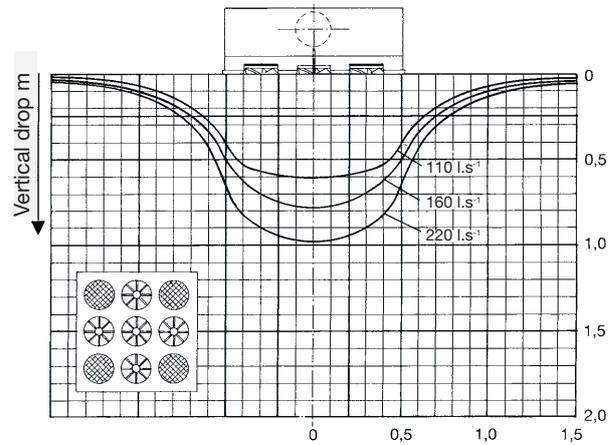
Figs. 4 to 6 show the typical vertical drop and throw (radius of diffusion) characteristics of DFA diffusers at an  $0,2 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$  isovel.



**Fig. 4: DFA 4 at  $0,2 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$  isovels.**



**Fig. 5: DFA 9/0 at  $0,2 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$  isovels.**



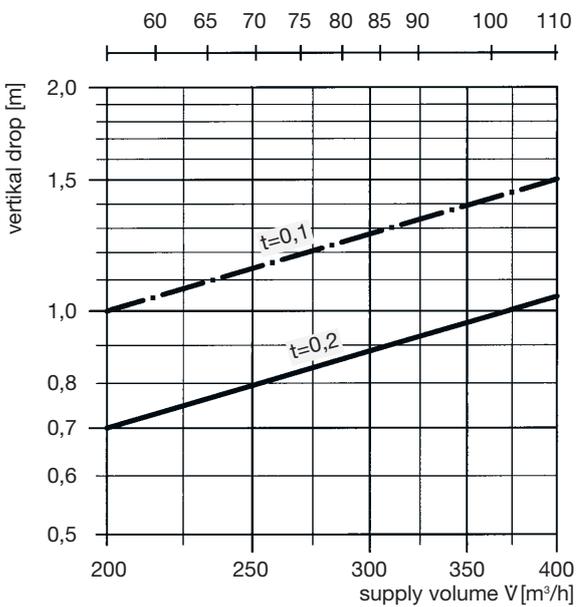
**Fig. 6: DFA 9/4 at  $0,2 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$  isovels.**

**Multi-outlet Swirl  
diffuser type DFA**

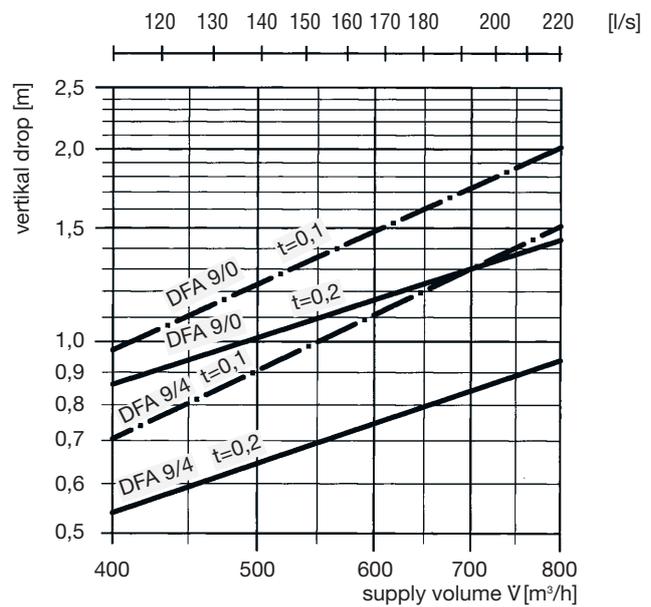
**Selection data**

**Vertical air projection**

Figs. 7 and 8 show the vertical drop to terminal velocities ( $v_t$ ) of 0,1 and 0,2  $m.s^{-1}$  under isothermal conditions as a function of air flow rate.



**Fig. 7: Vertical drop as a function of flow rate for DFA 4.**



**Fig. 8: Vertical drop as a function of flow rate for DFA 9/0 and 9/4.**

**Influence of temperature difference on the vertical drop**

Due to the high induction at the region of the diffuser outlet the temperature difference between supply and room air is rapidly reduced.

In the cooling mode the temperature difference at the 0,2  $m.s^{-1}$  isovel is reduced by 80%.

Fig. 9 shows the change in the vertical drop as a function of the supply to room air temperature difference. The factor **F** should be used to multiply the vertical drop obtained from the data related to isothermal conditions to obtain the correct vertical drop.

$\Delta t$ (K)	Cooling mode				Iso-thermal	Heating mode			
	+ 8	+ 6	+ 4	+ 2		0	- 2	- 4	- 6
<b>F</b>	1,20	1,15	1,1	1,04	1,0	0,96	0,91	0,88	0,83

**Fig. 9: Correction factors for vertical drop as a function of temperature difference.**

**Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA**

**Selection data**

**Minimum distance between diffusers**

**Pressure loss  
Noise level**

**Minimum distance between diffusers**

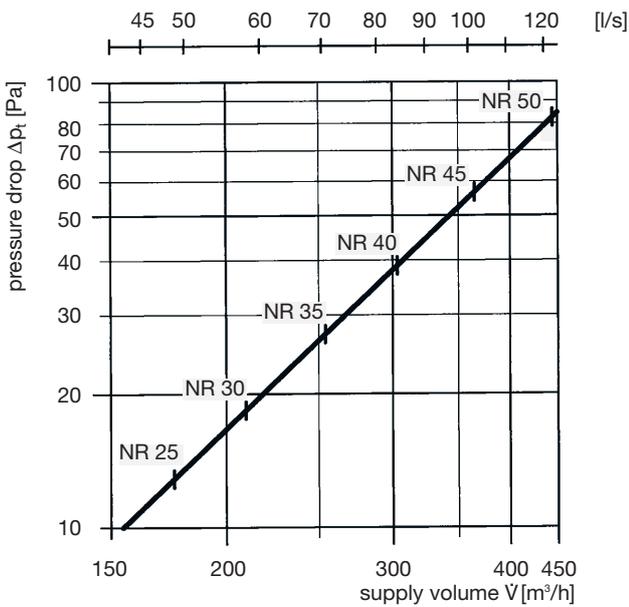
The minimum distance between 2 diffusers is dependent on the radius of diffusion from the diffuser. Multi-outlet Swirl diffusers have, due to the converging air jets, a very small radius of diffusion. Therefore the minimum distance between diffusers is also very small.

For Multi-outlet Swirl diffusers there is a constant minimum distance between diffusers:

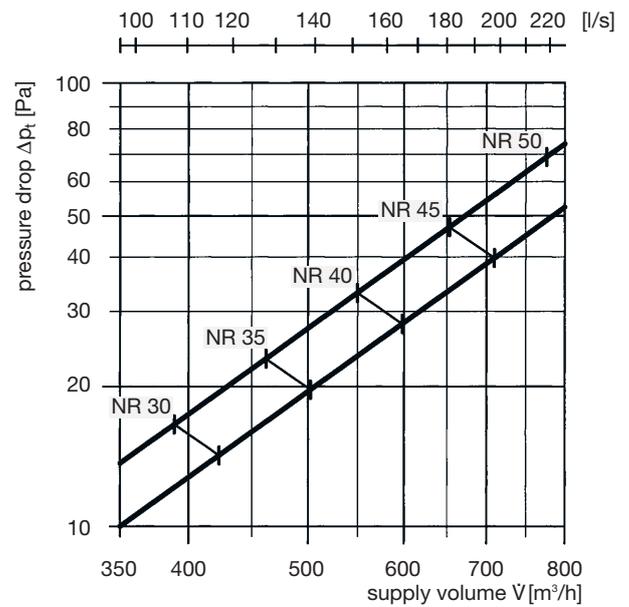
$$t_{\min} = 1,25 \text{ m} = \text{constant}$$

**Pressure loss and noise level**

Figs. 10 and 11 show the total pressure loss and noise levels for the complete diffuser assembly of **Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser and connection plenum**.



**Fig. 10: Total pressure loss (Pa) and noise levels (NR) for Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser DFA 4.**



**Fig. 11: Total pressure loss (Pa) and noise levels (NR) for Multi-outlet Swirl diffusers DFA 9 (DFA 9/0 and DFA 9/4).**

**Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA**

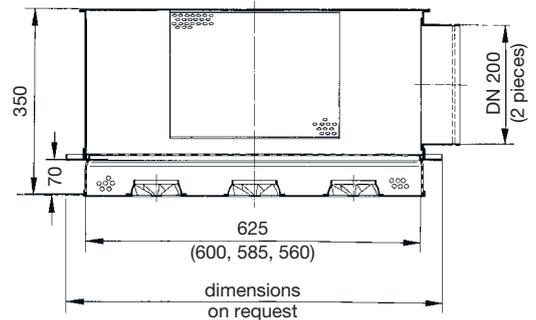
**DFA Variation type DFA-AKQ**

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For high air flow rates ( $q_v \leq 330 \text{ l.s}^{-1} - \leq 1200 \text{ m}^3.\text{h}^{-1}$ ) the DFA 9 is available in the special version DFA-AKQ which has an extended section with perforated plate to simulate a displacement effect. 50% of the supply air passes through the Swirl diffuser elements and 50% through the perforated plate section.

Air flow rate range =  
125–330  $\text{l.s}^{-1}$  (450–1250  $\text{m}^3.\text{h}^{-1}$ )

The connection plenum is fitted with  $2\text{Ø}200$  inlet spigots at  $90^\circ$  to each other.



**Vertical air projection**

The vertical air projection is determined by the 50% of the supply air which passes through the Swirl diffuser elements and can be established by the data in Figs. 5 to 9.

Example:  
Total flow rate =  $280 \text{ l.s}^{-1}$  ( $1008 \text{ m}^3.\text{h}^{-1}$ )  
amount passing through the elements:  
 $140 \text{ l.s}^{-1}$  ( $554 \text{ m}^3.\text{h}^{-1}$ )  
from Fig. 5 or 8 the vertical drop can be read for  $v_{10,2}$  of 1 m.

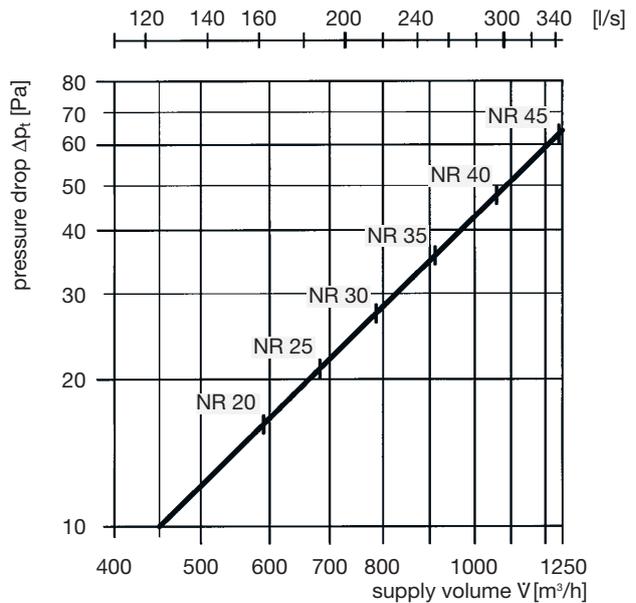
From Fig. 12 NR = 38 and PI = 42 Pa.

**Distance between diffusers**

For the DFA-AKQ there is a constant minimum distance between diffusers:

$$t_{\min} = 1,75 \text{ m} = \text{constant}$$

**Noise level and pressure loss**



**Fig. 12: Total pressure loss (Pa) and noise levels (NR) for Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser DFA-AKQ 9**

## Multi-outlet Swirl diffuser type DFA

## Selection example

### Selection example

#### Given:

Laboratory with the following details:

Length:	6,0 m
Width:	4,5 m
Height:	2,8 m
Supply air flow rate q:	750 l.s <sup>-1</sup> (2700 m <sup>3</sup> .h <sup>-1</sup> )
Temp. diff. cooling	4 K
Temp. diff. heating	2 K
Air velocity in occupied zone v <sub>t</sub>	≤ 0,15 m.s <sup>-1</sup>
Maximum noise level L <sub>w</sub>	≤ 40 NR

#### Required:

Diffuser size  
Number of diffusers  
Air flow rate per diffuser  
Lay-out of diffusers  
Pressure loss and noise level

#### Procedure:

##### Vertical drop allowable

$$t_v = H - 1,8 \text{ m} = 2,8 - 1,8 = 1 \text{ m}$$

Correction from isothermal case –

From Fig. 9: at  $\Delta t = -4\text{K}$ ,  $F = 1,1$

$$v_t = 1/1,1 = 0,91 \text{ m}$$

##### Maximum flow rate for the allowed vertical drop:

From Figs. 7, 8, 10 and 11 the following data can be derived for the different sizes of the DFA diffusers:

DFA 4:	q = 65 l.s <sup>-1</sup> (234 m <sup>3</sup> .h <sup>-1</sup> ) at 36 NR
DFA 9/0:	q = 110 l.s <sup>-1</sup> (396 m <sup>3</sup> .h <sup>-1</sup> ) at 32 NR
DFA 9/4:	q = 170 l.s <sup>-1</sup> (612 m <sup>3</sup> .h <sup>-1</sup> ) at 42 NR

Type DFA 9/4 exceeds the allowed 40 NR noise level. Therefore from Fig. 11 the maximum flow rate is 150 l.s<sup>-1</sup> (540 m<sup>3</sup>.h<sup>-1</sup>)

#### Number of diffusers:

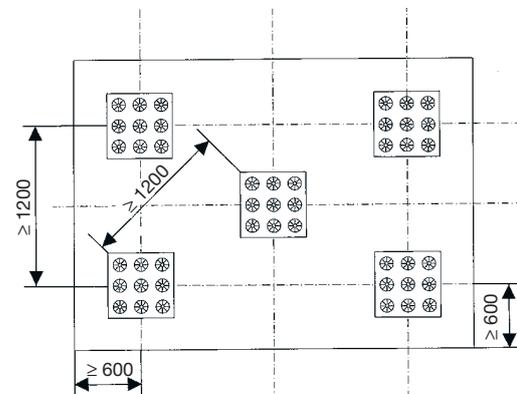
DFA 4: 750/65 l.s<sup>-1</sup> = 11,54 say 12 diffusers (2700/234 m<sup>3</sup>.h<sup>-1</sup>)

DFA 9/0: 750/110 l.s<sup>-1</sup> = 6,81 say 7 diffusers (2700/396 m<sup>3</sup>.h<sup>-1</sup>)

DFA 9/4: 750/150 l.s<sup>-1</sup> = 5,00 say 5 diffusers (2700/612 m<sup>3</sup>.h<sup>-1</sup>)

For economic reasons type DFA 9/0 is the obvious choice.

#### Diffuser lay-out:



#### Conclusions:

5 off Multi-outlet Swirl diffusers type DFA 9/4 handling 150 l.s<sup>-1</sup> (540 m<sup>3</sup>.h<sup>-1</sup>) each

$$t_v \leq 1 \text{ m with } \Delta t \text{ of } 4 \text{ K cooling}$$

$$L_w = 40 \text{ NR (see Fig. 11)}$$

$$\Delta p = 60 \text{ Pa (see Fig. 11)}$$

# Tender text

Position	Description	No. of units	Unit price	Extended price
	<p><b>Multi-outlet supply air Swirl diffusers</b> for applications requiring even air diffusion and the minimum possible temperature gradient. Particularly suitable for very high air change rates.</p> <p>Air is introduced through a matrix of either 4 or 9 individual 125 Ø swirl diffuser elements.</p> <p>Connection plenum boxes are from zinc plated steel with perforated equalising plate and horizontal inlet spigot having a self sealing gasket.</p> <p><b>Type of swirl diffuser</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> DFA 4 (4 diffuser elements)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> DFA 9 (9 diffuser elements)</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="radio"/> without perforated capping plate (DFA 9/0)</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="radio"/> with perforated capping plate (DFA 9/4)</p> <p><b>Material</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Steel (standard)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stainless steel (1.4301)</p> <p><b>Face flange dimensions</b></p> <p>..... mm x ..... mm</p> <p><b>Finish diffusers (outer surface)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Powder coated RAL 9010 (standard)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Enamelled to RAL.....</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stainless steel (1.4301) mill</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="radio"/> normal</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><input type="radio"/> blasted</p> <p><b>Connection component plenum box</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Plenum box (standard) (DFA-AK) Spigot DN .....</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Plenum with displacement section (DFA-AKQ)</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">1 Spigot DN .....</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2 Spigot DN .....</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><input type="radio"/> Positioning 90° .....</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><input type="radio"/> Positioning 180° .....</p> <p><b>Finish (outer surface) plenum box</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Steel plate, galvanized</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Plenum box enamelled to RAL .....(AK-RAL)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stainless steel (1.4301)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Plenum with displacement section, enamelled to RAL .....(AKQ-RAL)</p> <p>Air flow rate: ..... l/s or m<sup>3</sup>/h</p> <p>Max. noise level: ..... NR or dB (A)</p> <p>Max. pressure loss: ..... Pa</p> <p>Manufacturer:                   <b>Strulik</b></p> <p>Type:                               <b>DFA</b></p>			