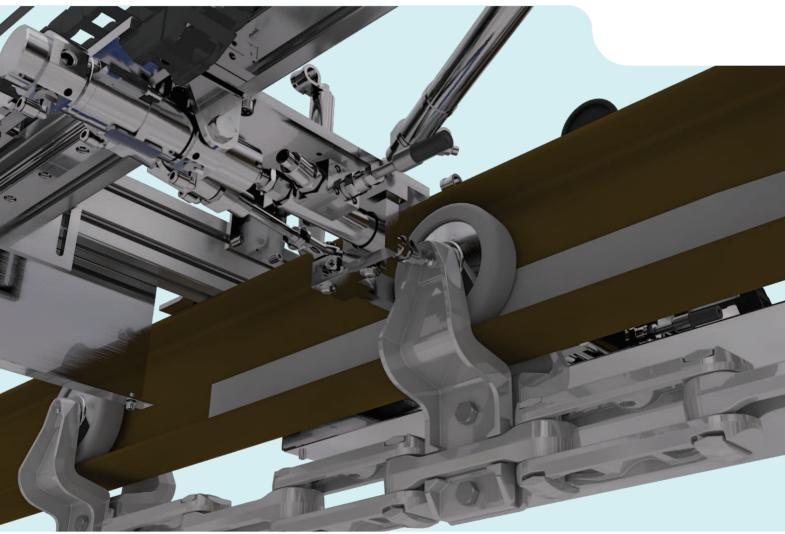
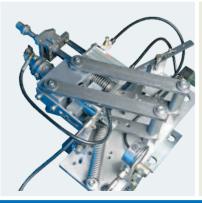


# Conveyor trolley roller lubrication

GIS system for grease lubrication of trolleys and carriage rollers on monorail forged-chain conveyors













## GIS system

### Description

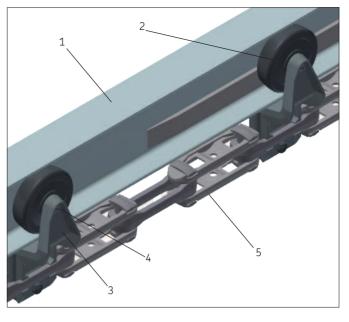
For monorail forged-chain conveyors, the GIS (Grease Injection System) lubrication system injects grease inside the trolley rollers through the original greaser while the conveyor is running.

GIS systems adapt the variuos conveyor configurations and applications: chain trolley roller greasing or carriage roller greasing (power and free conveyor).

GIS systems for trolley rollers enable simultaneous lubrication of two rollers or several carriage rollers.

## **Applications**

- Automotive industry
  - Welding line
  - Surface treatment line
  - Paint line
  - Assembly line
- Food and beverage industry
  - Transport of carcasses
- General industry
  - Surface treatment line
  - Paint line



Monorail forged-chain conveyor

- 1 Guide rail
- 2 Trolley roller
- 3 Trolley
- 4 Grease nipple
- 5 Forged-chain

## Operation principle

The GIS lubrication system only works when the conveyor is running. During the lubrication phase, when the roller passes in front of the unit, the pick-up system is triggered to let the injection head couple mechanically with the roller. It follows the chain motion while injecting the correct quantity of grease.

At the end of the injection cycle, the head and pick-up system move backwards. The unit returns to its initial position and is ready for a new injection cycle on the next roller.

### Customized solutions

Each industrial conveyor chain is specific due to its design, field of application, conditions of use, etc.

The SKF teams have thorough knowledge of the fields of application, combined with numerous years of experience. Many GIS systems are already in service in various industrial sectors throughout the world and have proven their worth.

As a result, SKF teams are capable of satisfying various requests, either by modifying an existing solution or by developing a completely new system. Therefore, the lubrication solution proposed is therefore perfectly adapted to the customer's needs and unique requirements.

This brochure provides a general description of the GIS lubrication system. Please contact SKF for more detailed information.

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## One system, two lubrication units

SKF offers two different lubrication units for lubrication of trolley rollers: COBRA and GVP

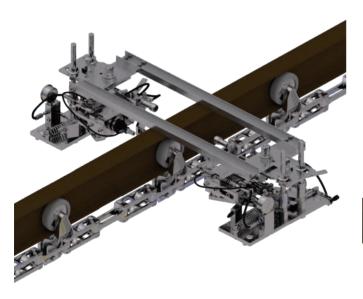
### **COBRA**

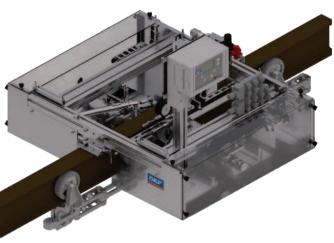
GIS system with COBRA unit is the simple solution for lubrication of chain trolley rollers, in particular in heavy industry and harsh environment. The movements required for the injection cycle are mechanically and pneumatically driven. With the standard system version activation is manual. But some versions with electrically automated activation are available. It is also possible to add several monitoring functions.

### **GVP**

GIS system with GVP unit is the advanced solution for the lubrication of chain trolley rollers or carriage rollers. This solution manages and controls lubrication cycles automatically.

GIS system adapts to a broad range of chain speeds as well as various conveyor configurations and roller positions.





### **COBRA** unit

- Sturdy design
- Manual activation
- System automation in option
- · Possibility to add monitoring functions
- Easy installation
- Easy to use
- Pneumatic system
- · Volumetric metering

### **GVP** unit

- Fully automated system
- Configurable control of lubrication cycles
- Injection frequency adaptable to chain speed
- Operation check
- Failure notification
- Electropneumatic system
- Volumetric metering

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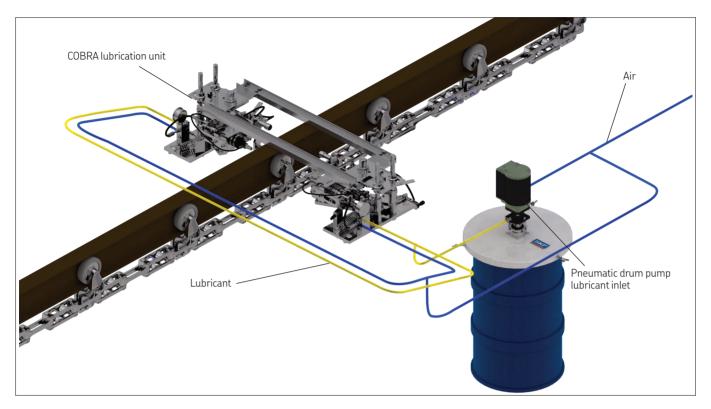


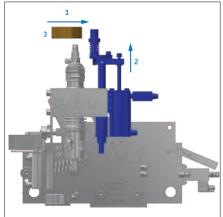
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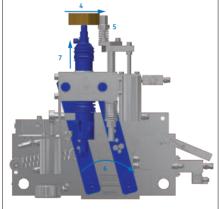
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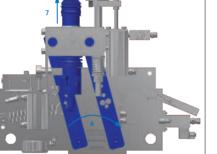
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## GIS system with COBRA unit



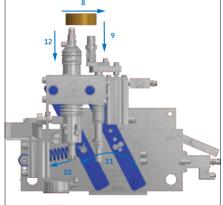






- Lubrication point in front of the COBRA unit
- Pick-up cylinder extension with fingers
- 1 Chain movement direction2 Pick-up finger movement
- 3 Roller

- Pick-up fingers in contact with roller
- Oscillating arms swivel, driven the roller
- Injection head comes into contact with roller grease nipple
- Grease injection into roller
- 4 Chain movement direction
- 5 Pick-up fingers blocked against roller6 Oscillating arms swivel
- 7 Injection head moves towards roller grease



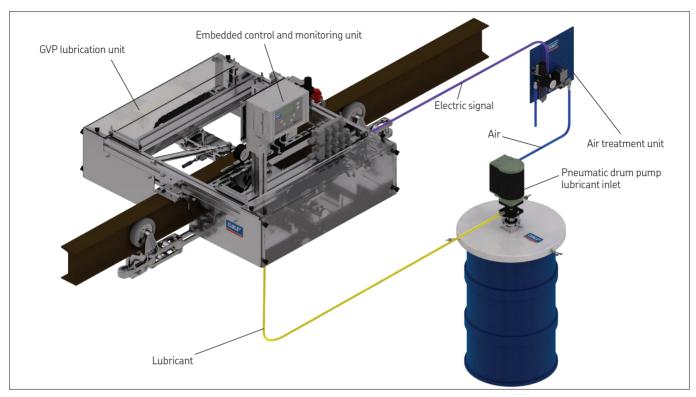
- Metered quantity of grease injected into roller Injection head removed from roller
- Pick-up fingers retract
- Oscillating arms return to initial positions under return spring force
- Chain movement direction
- 9 Retraction of pick-up fingers10 Spring traction direction
- **11** Oscillating arms swivel
- 12 Withdrawal of injection head

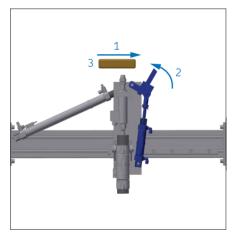
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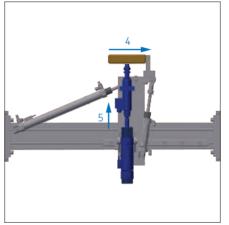


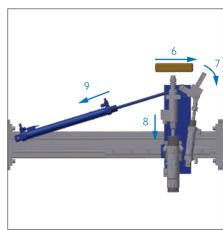
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## GIS system with GVP unit









- Lubrication point in front of GVP unit
- Pick-up cylinder extends and pick-up fingers swivel
- 1 Chain movement direction
- 2 Pick-up finger movement
- 3 Roller

- Pick-up fingers in contact with roller
- Injection carriage moves in parallel with the chain, driven by the roller
- Injection cylinder extension
- Injection head comes into contact with roller grease nipple
- Grease injection into roller
- 4 Chain movement direction
- 5 Injection cylinder extension and injection head moves towards roller grease nipple

- Metered quantity of grease injected into roller Pick-up fingers swivel and disengage the car-
- riage from the roller
- Injector moves back
- Return cylinder pulls back injection carriage to its start position
- 6 Chain movement direction 7 Retraction of pick-up fingers 7 Retraction of pick-up
  8 Injector moves back
- 9 Return cylinder movement

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#### GIS systems technical data

COBRA unit

**GVP** unit

#### General specifications

Start/Stop Lubrication cycle Time configurable

Pulse configurable (chain laps)

Volume injected

Max. injection frequency

Max. distance between injection head and nipple

Chain position

Max. chain speed [m/min]
Max. variation of the chain position Ambient temperature limits Compressed air

Air quality

Power supply

manual or automatic according to option according to option according to option 0,2 to 2 cm<sup>3</sup> \*

(factory setting 0,5 cm<sup>3</sup>)

1/s 36.5 mm horizontal 24 \*

± 25 mm horizontal; ± 1,5 mm vertical 5 °C to 60 °C (41 °F to 140 °F) 5,5 to 6 bar (80 to 87 psi) quality class 5 according to standard

DIN ISO 8573-1 according to option automatic automatic 1 min to 365 d 1 lap to 999 laps

0,33; 0,5; 0,75 and 1 cm3\* (factory setting 0,5 cm<sup>3</sup>)

1/s max. 20 mm horizontal 18

 $\pm$  5 mm horizontal;  $\pm$  1 mm vertical 5 °C to 55 °C (41 °F to 131 °F) 4 to 8 bar (58 to 116 psi) quality class 5 according to standard

DIN ISO 8573-1 115/230 VAC

#### Operating checks

Pneumatic supply pressure Grease supply pressure Chain displacement during the lubrication phase

Carriage departure/return Injector departure/return

Monitoring and display of injection pressure

according to option according to option according to option according to option according to option

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yes according to option

#### Construction

Main materials Dimensions Attachment support Protection cover

Number of injection heads Injection head drive

steel, aluminum 460 × 700 × 350 mm not included not included

mechanical/pneumatic

steel, aluminum 1 100 × 950 × 350 mm

included included 1, 2, 3 or 4 pneumatic

#### Lubricant supply

Grease Pressure required Grease flow rate required

Grease supply

Grease supply connection

up to NLGI grade 2

120 to 240 bar (1 740 to 3 480 psi)

120 cm<sup>3</sup>/min

external with drum pump

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up to NLGI grade 2

150 to 350 bar (2 175 to 5 076 psi)

60 cm<sup>3</sup>/min

external with drum pump integrated with reservoir pump

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\*) The maximal injected volume of lubricant depends on chain speed and pitch, lubricant type, system configuration and surrounding conditions
\*\*) The maximal admissible chain speed depends on injected volume, chain pitch, lubricant type, system configuration and surrounding conditions

The technical specifications are as general as possible and are provided only as a guide.

Since each COBRA and GVP unit meets the specific requirements of the application, these specifications may vary.

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#### LMC2 control unit

#### COBRA option

- Control of lubrication and pause phases (pulse)
- Operation check
  - hydraulic and pneumatic pressures
  - lubricant level

#### LMC2 main technical specifications

Operating voltage Current Protection class 24 V AC / 230 V DC Operating temperature Fault output

24 V AC / 230 V DC 10 A / 4 A IP 54 -10 °C to +70 °C (10 °F to 150 °F) min. drum pump level chain running contact air pressure lubrication point sensor

left system fault right system fault in laps

in laps

Lubrication phase Pause phase

## AEP2 control unit

#### **GVP** standard

- Configurable control of lubrication and pause phases (time, pulse, lubrication ratio)
- Operation check
  - mechanical position
  - injection time
  - hydraulic and pneumatic pressures
  - lubricant level
- Failure history
- Multilingual

#### AEP2 main technical specifications

24 V DC 115/230 V AC, 50/60 Hz Operating voltage

Current Protection class Operating temperature Failure ouptut

115/230 VAC, 50/6 1A 1P 65 0 °C to 60 °C (32 °F to 140 °F) chain stopped air pressure lubricant pressure lubrication point identification trolley departure and return injector departure and return

Lubrication phase in laps in laps or time Pause phase



The GIS unit can be supplied with grease by an SKF transfer pump or other pump adapted for standard commercially available drums.

This pump requires the minimum technical specifications shown in the table opposite.

#### Drum pump specifications required

3 to 7 bar (53 to 66 psi) 150 to 350 bar (2 176 to 5 078 psi) 100 g/min NLGI 1 and 2 Air pressure Lubricant outlet pressure Minimum flow rate Grease type

Drum volume 25 kg (standard) or 50 kg according to supplier's

delivery

Electrical level switch min. (option)



### Integrated pump

GVP option

The integrated supply pump results in an all-in-one lubrication system of compact size that is easy to install and use.

The pump is driven pneumatically and has one or several level checks.

The pump reservoir must be filled under pressure.

#### Integrated pump technical specifications

Pneumatic inlet 5 to 8 bar (72 to 116 psi) Flow rate 3 cm3/strnki NLGI 1 and 2

Reservoir transparent plastic

min. (standard) alert and max. (option) Electrical level switch

Capacity

8 or 10 kg Material PMMA (acrylic)

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