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performpipe® introduces a new standard in pre-insulated pipework, purpose-built for air-to-water heat pumps and modern low-carbon systems.

Combining flexible stainless steel with advanced aerogel insulation, **performpipe®** is a slimmer, smarter, high-performance pre-insulated solution for modern systems, delivering outstanding thermal efficiency in a space-saving, easy-to-install format



The UK's #1 heat pump pipe

# performpipe®

## Technical Data Sheet



### Energy Efficient

Aerogel core reduces heat loss and energy usage.



### Flexible

Corrugated pipe bends easily, no elbows or tails needed.



### Fire Rated

A2-s1,d0 classified for safety and compliance.



### Compact

Slim 58.8mm profile fits through walls and tight spaces.



### Maintenance Free

Fully sealed, no coatings or yearly checks required.



### Durable

UV, moisture and weather-resistant for long life

# Technical Data

## Physical Properties

Property	DN25/13	DN32/13
Type of Steel	316L	
Insulation Thickness	13 mm	
PVC Thickness	0.5mm	
PVC Tensile Strength	1800 N/5cm	
PVC Weight	650g/m <sup>2</sup>	
PVC UV Resistance	Very High	
Inner Diameter (d1)	25.3 mm	33.4 mm
Outer Diameter (d2)	31.8 mm	40.6 mm
d2 with Insulation (d3)	57.8mm	66.6mm
d2 with Insulation & Cover (d4)	58.8mm	67.6mm
Tolerance (w)	±0.4 mm	±0.4 mm
Minimum Bending Radius (Rg)	40 mm	50 mm
Nominal Pressure (pmax)	6 bar	4 bar
Unit Mass (mjr)	1.20 kg/m	1.80 kg/m
Axial Spacing of Twin Pipes (L2)	83.8 mm	92.6 mm

## The Aerogel Advantage

A material made up of 99.8% air, with a thermal conductivity of just 0.0175 W/m·K - that's what makes **performpipe®** so compact, yet so effective.

- ✓ Ultra-low thermal conductivity
- ✓ Fire Safety Performance
- ✓ Slimmer profile, same protection
- ✓ Built to last

## > Outer Sheathing

### UV and weather resistant PVC

Fully sealed, fit for external and underground use

## > Insulation

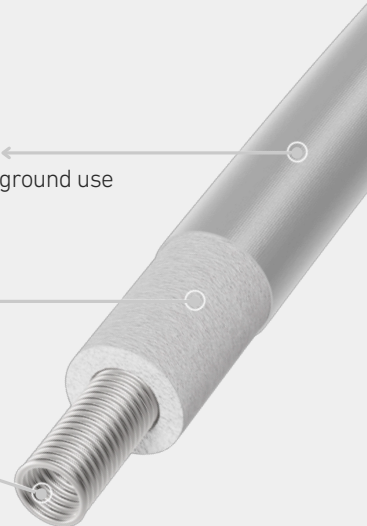
### 13mm AerogelGT

Minimal thickness, maximum performance

## > Core

### Flexible corrugated stainless steel

Bends easily without elbows or joints



## Layer Properties

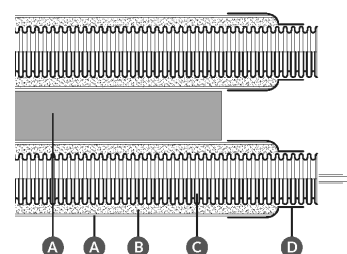
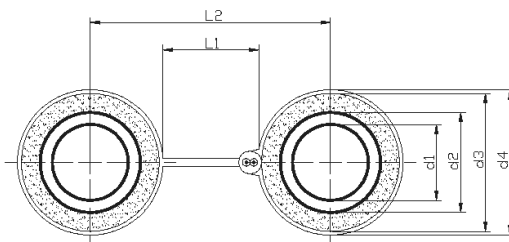
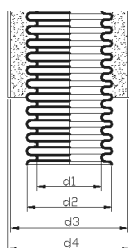
Layer	Material	Details
Insulation	AerogelGT (blanket)	$\lambda = 0.0175 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}$ (EN 12667:2002)
		Max temperature: 675°C
		Fire rating: A2-s1,d0
		Hydrophobic, non-toxic
Outer Jacket	PVC (0.5 mm)	Fire rating: B-s2,d0
		UV- and weather-resistant
		High mechanical resistance

## Compliance & Certification

Standard / Test	Result
Thermal Conductivity Testing	EN 12667:2002
Fire Classification - Insulation	A2-s1,d0 (EN 13501-1:2019)
Fire Classification - Outer Jacket	B-s2,d0
Max Operating Temperature	Up to 675°C (EN 14706:2013)
Mechanical & UV Resistance	High (ISO 4892/2)
Quality Certification	TÜV Rheinland

## Dimensions

- A PVC Protective Coating
- B Aerogel Insulation
- C Stainless Steel Corrugated Pipe
- D Heat Shrink Wrap



# We're setting the benchmark for piping **performance**

**Bold claims, backed by big results.**

To validate performance claims, we ran a full-year simulation comparing **performpipe®** to other commonly used pipe insulation materials tested in real-world conditions\*.

## How performpipe® performed

Energy Use	Up to <b>30% less</b> than alternatives*
Heat Pump Run Time	Up to <b>144 hours fewer</b> per year*
Insulation Thickness	Only <b>13mm</b> vs 21.5–27mm of others*
U-value	<b>0.952 W/m<sup>2</sup>K</b> in a 57.8mm pipe diameter

## Performance Overview:

Metric	performpipe®	Comparison Range
Thermal Conductivity ( $\lambda$ )*	0.0175 W/m <sup>2</sup> K	0.033 – 0.299 W/m <sup>2</sup> K
U-Value	0.952 W/m <sup>2</sup> K	Higher (less efficient)
Annual Energy Use*	1282.7 kWh	Up to 31.9% more
Run Time (12 months)*	451.46 hours	53–144 hours more

\*Testing conducted by:  
Dr Mohamad Rida & Cameron Johnstone  
Energy Systems Research Unit  
University of Strathclyde  
*Report available on website*

- ✓ Lower energy usage
- ✓ Fewer running hours
- ✓ Higher efficiency

The Data



# Thermal Performance Data

Comparison of heat transfer characteristics across insulation materials

Material:	performpipe	Polyethylene Higher Density	Polyethylene Lower Density	Mineral Wool	Cellular Glass Compressible	Cellular Glass 20% Deteriorated
Thermal Conductivity (W/m·K)	0.0175	0.033	0.037	0.04	0.045	0.299
Radial Thermal Resistance <sup>1</sup> (m²K/W)	0.986	0.523	0.466	0.431	0.383	0.054
U-value <sup>2</sup> (W/m²K)	0.952	1.709	1.893	2.027	2.245	2.624
UA-value <sup>3</sup> (W/K) <sup>3</sup>	0.86	1.552	1.718	1.84	2.039	2.382
Temperature Drop Over 5m ΔT <sup>4</sup> (°C)	0.029	0.052	0.057	0.062	0.068	0.08
Heat Loss <sup>5</sup> (W)	40.706	72.966	80.78	86.513	95.833	111.98

<sup>1</sup> Based on 31.8mm external diameter pipe + 13mm insulation // <sup>2</sup> Overall radial heat transfer coefficient/ based on based on 31.8mm external diameter pipe + 13mm insulation // <sup>3</sup> Product of U-value and external surface area of pipe/ based on \* based on 31.8mm external diameter pipe + 13mm insulation and 5m of pipe // <sup>4</sup> Based on TAMB of 8°C, Tw\_in of 55°C and Mass Flow Rate 0.333kg/s

# Insulation Thickness & Size Impact

Comparison of insulation thickness and pipe diameter required to match aerogel's U-value

Metric	performpipe	Polyethylene Higher Density	Polyethylene Lower Density	Mineral Wool	Cellular Glass Compressible
Insulation Thickness (mm)	13	21.5	23.5	25	27
Pipe + Insulation Diameter (mm)	57.8	74.8	78.8	81.8	85.8
Cross-Sectional Area (mm²)	2623.89	4394.33	4876.88	5255.29	5781.82
% Increase in Area	-	67.47%	85.86%	100.29%	120.35%

# Full System Impact – Runtime, Energy Use & Cost

Annual performance impact based on like for like comparison with PerformPipe's 13mm insulation and 31.8mm pipe. <sup>1</sup> Deteriorated


Material:	performpipe	Polyethylene	Polyethylene	Mineral Wool	Cellular Glass	Cellular Glass
HP Run Time (hrs/year)	451.46	516.83	532.66	544.28	563.17	595.89
% Increase in Run Time	-	14.48%	17.99%	20.56%	24.74%	31.99%
Heat Output (kWh/year)	3019.48	3463.92	3571.58	3650.57	3778.99	4001.49
Heat Loss Increase (kWh)	-	444.44	552.1	631.09	759.51	982.01
% Heat Loss Increase	-	14.72%	18.28%	20.90%	25.15%	32.52%
Electricity Use (kWh/year)	1282.74	1467.93	1512.8	1545.71	1599.23	1691.94
% Increase in Electricity Use	-	14.44%	17.94%	20.50%	24.67%	31.90%
Annual Electricity Cost (£0.28)	£359.17	£411.02	£423.58	£432.80	£447.78	£473.74
Extra Cost vs Aerogel (£)	-	£51.86	£64.42	£73.63	£88.62	£114.58
% Cost Increase	-	14.44%	17.94%	20.50%	24.67%	31.90%

# The next generation of heat pump pipes

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