



Other Notes:

The MR1 Monster should provide years of trouble-free service if properly cared for. Here are a few hints to help:

Your reactor may be installed anywhere, as long as the surface is flat and the reactor is upright. Your reactor can be installed in-sump, and is also ozone safe.

When changing the media, please keep in mind that some water may leak out of the reactor when you remove the lid. Open the reactor over a bowl, bucket, or over your sump. New media may cloud the water in the reactor (and your tank), you may want to let the cloudy water run off into a container to be discarded.

Rinse the reactor when changing media, including the sponges.

Replacement sponges and o-ring gaskets are available from NextReef.

Please contact NextReef or your dealer with any installation questions.

We want you to be completely satisfied with your purchase!

Problem? Question? Give us a call first – we'll be happy to help.

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Instructions – MR1 Monster Media / Substrate Reactor

Wash everything. While we take great care to keep any contaminants away from our products during assembly, please take a moment to clean the reactor and plumbing before attaching to your tank. Only clean your reactor with warm water and a single drop of plain dish soap (avoid dish soaps with moisturizers, etc.). Use caution when handling as acrylic scratches easily. Never clean Acrylic with alcohol based products.

Plumb the MR1. There are multiple ways to plumb in your media reactor, depending on your tank configuration and design – 4 are listed on the following page.

The MR1 Monster may be plumbed with each chamber running independently, or in series with the outlet of the first chamber plumbed into the inlet of the second chamber.



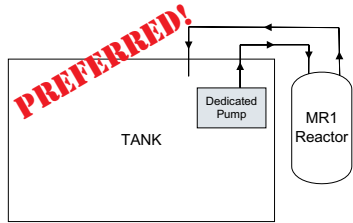
Please keep in mind that a media reactor is intended to be a bypass filter, and is not designed to handle the complete flow and pressure requirements of a large aquarium system. In some installations you may want to install a ball valve before the reactor – never use one to restrict the flow out of the reactor, as this can over pressurize it. **The fitting in the center of each lid is the water inlet; the fitting offset to one side is the outlet.** Fittings should be wrapped with Teflon pipe tape. Do not over-tighten when installing – should one not seal correctly, re-wrap with Teflon plumbing tape and reinstall.

The MR1 Monster is designed to accommodate flow rates up to 300gph, and we recommend you choose a quality pump such as the Maxi-Jet 1200, an EcoPlus 264, or a Danner Mag-3. For most applications, the Maxi-Jet and EcoPlus pumps produce adequate flow rates. **If you are plumbing each chamber independently, we suggest running 2 smaller pumps - one for each chamber).**

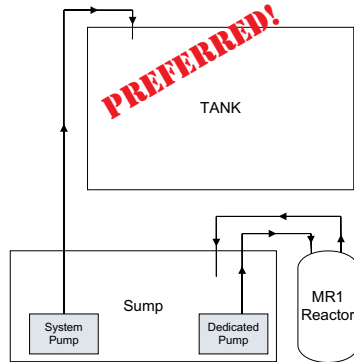
Your reactor is set up to use ½ inch (inner diameter) tubing. ½ inch ID tubing will also fit snugly around the output from an EcoPlus or Maxi-Jet pump. Two sets of three plastic hose clamps are included - the third can be used to secure tubing to the pump if you choose.

If you plumb the return from your reactor into the main tank, place the return line above the water level to avoid siphoning in the event of a power loss. **Always test for siphoning when making any change to your aquarium configuration!**

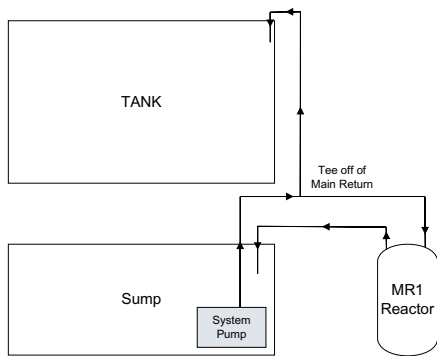
Examples of MR1 Suggested Installations:



A simple installation where the MR1 is plumbed directly into the main tank.

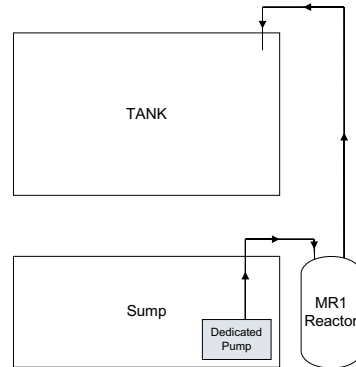


MR1 Reactor installed with a dedicated pump, returning water into the sump. This is the preferred installation for systems with a sump – the reactor faces the lowest head pressure, and cannot siphon from the main tank.



MR1 Reactor installed on the main system pump, returning water into the sump.

The MR1 is not designed to handle the flow from large pumps – tee off of the main return line and use a ball valve to control the flow.



MR1 Reactor installed with a dedicated pump, returning water into the main tank. This adds head pressure to the dedicated pump, and may reduce flow through the reactor. Do not submerge the return to prevent siphoning in the event of a power loss



Insert the clear tube with the attached lower plenum and a filter sponge into the MR1 canister.

Make sure the sponge is all the way at the bottom of the canister, flush against the plenum – otherwise the media may leak past it when filling.

We suggest using a length of pipe or tubing to push the sponge in with. *(Please do not get your hand stuck in the MR1, it's far harder to cut off than a Pringles can...)*



Holding your thumb over the tube, pour your media into the MR1. Be sure to keep the tube centered as you fill the reactor.

Some media (such as phosphate control products) is not designed to be aggressively fluidized in a reactor – please read the instructions on your media carefully. You may fill the reactor as far as you wish with these products.



For media designed to be fully fluidized, the reactor should be filled no more than two-thirds full to allow the media room to move around. With heavy or fine media, you may need to add less.

Slide the second sponge and the upper plenum onto the tube. The plenum may fit snugly, please use caution when sliding it on.

Wipe any debris or leftover media off of the lid and top of the reactor.



Press down firmly onto the center of the reactor, seating the tubing into the fitting on the underside of the lid.

Twist the reactor lid clockwise and gently tighten the thumb screws.