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Basic characteristics

- Non-pressure vessel with integrated impurities separators
- Mobile unit in a standard ISO container
- Process monitoring by the control system
- Connection to gas pipeline with flexible hoses or solid pipes
- Separation of both solid and liquid impurities from gas
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**Usage examples**

Cleaning of gas pipeline section with a pig, including gas drainage through the mobile separator (simplified scheme without launching and receiving traps and other technology)

**References**

- Hundreds of successful cleaning operations on gas pipelines up to DN 1400 within the NET4GAS transmission system
- Pipeline cleaning for a regional distribution company in the Czech Republic
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