

## A B S T R A C T

A DRAIN ELEMENT FOR COLLECTING HYDROCARBONS IN  
PARTICULAR, THE DRAIN ELEMENT HAVING A STRAINER  
5 CONSTITUTED BY HOLLOW RODS

The drain element for collecting hydrocarbons  
comprises a screen (TM) surrounding a suction cylinder  
(CA) extending in a longitudinal direction (AL). The  
10 screen is made up of rods (TT, TC) which extend along  
said longitudinal direction (AL) and which are regularly  
spaced apart around the suction cylinder. At least one  
of said rods is hollow in order to form a collector rod  
(TC), said collector rod (TC) having a lateral orifice  
15 and communicating with the inside of the suction cylinder  
via one of its ends.

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