

H3R 7000 Tritium Condenser

Vapour Tritium-in-air sampling by cryogenisation principle - IRSN / MARINE NATIONALE patent

The unit collects samples of Tritium in its vapour form and produces results in less than 40 minutes.

The sample obtained can be measured down to a detection limit of 0.01 Bq/m³ by deferred measurement using liquid scintillation.

The operating principle is based on a french patent which has been deposited at an international level by the French Institute of Radioprotection (I.R.S.N) and the Military School of Atomic Energy of the French Navy (E.A.M.E.A).



Operating Principle

The H3R 7000 collects the Tritium in its vapour form by a cryogenisation process of the vapour water in ambient air. At the same time, it measures absolute humidity of this air to know with accuracy the water quantity per cubic meter of air. Absolute humidity is expressed in g/M³ or ml/M³.

On average, less than 40 minutes is needed to collect enough quantity of water to carry out a deferred measurement of Tritium activity contained in the water using liquid scintillation counting.

After measurement, the Tritium activity is expressed in Bq.

$$\text{Tritium-in-air activity} = \text{Tritium activity of 1ml sample (Bq)} \times \text{Absolute humidity in air (ml/m}^3\text{)} \\ \text{(Bq/m}^3\text{)}$$

Features

- Quick start mode.
- Real time measurement and calculation of the absolute humidity in ambient air in g/m³.
- Automatic calculation of trapping time depending on the required water quantity.
- Automatic drying by heating of the trapping circuit in order to avoid cross-contamination.
- Selection of the drying time.
- USB output: Data download on USB key.
- Integrated thermal printer: Printing of data on sticker to place on sample vial.



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Advantages

- Trapping yield of 100%: Cryogenisation principle of the water vapour.
- Trapping of Tritium in its vapour form either indoors or outside.
- Fast trapping which allows several samples per day to be taken.
- No dilution factor of the samples.
- Detection limit which can be reached : 0.01 Bq/m³
- Ease of use and transportable.

Trapping efficiency

- Trapping yield HTO : 100%
- No dilution factor
- Detection limit : 0.01 Bq/m³
- Crossed contamination : 0.1%
- Average time of trapping : 40 minutes to obtain 10 ml sample.

Technical Specifications

- Dimensions : W x H x D = 580 x 390 x 400 mm.
- Weight : 25 kg
- Power supply : 230 Volts / 50 Hz (also available 230 Volts / 60 Hz).
- Power : 2050 Watts max.
- Protection : Differential circuit breaker (30mA) and fuse type delayed (6A).
- Housing: Aluminium alloy.
- Paint : EPOXY powder, decontaminable.
- Graphic backlit display 128 x 64 pixels.
- Supplied with user manual, supply cable, 10 sampling flasks and one paper roller for thermic printer.

Références

- E.A.M.E.A. (L.Tenailleau, Y.Baron)
- IRSN (D.Maro, D.Hebert)
- Patent IRSN - Marine Nationale N° FR2903490



In order to facilitate the transportation between sampling points, the H3R 7000 can be mounted on a transport trolley, with adjustable height for a better ergonomoy.



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DPM 7001 with dual photomultiplier



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