





Gas filters

Enhanced gas quality for maximum productivity

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Gas filters are an essential part of your GC analysis as contaminants in gases can significantly impact the quality of results. Oxygen, hydrocarbons and moisture can lead to problems such as noisy baselines, moisture entering the GC column, excessive bleed and septa degradation. Even if carrier gas is of the highest quality, contaminants can be picked up from every part of the gas line. Therefore, a gas filter is needed to ensure that maximum productivity is achieved.

Clean gas | Accurate analysis Easily installed



Clean gas

Gas filters are designed to provide fast stabilization times to reduce gas consumption, and provide clean gas to GC and GCMS systems.

Accurate analysis

Inserting a gas filter in the gas line significantly reduces impurity levels, thus improving trace analysis.

Easily installed

The gas filter system consists of two key parts: the filters and the connecting unit. The connecting unit has inlet and outlet connectors for the gas lines. The connecting unit can be bench or wall-mounted and is available in 1, 2 and 4 port configurations and for 1/4" and 1/8" gas lines.









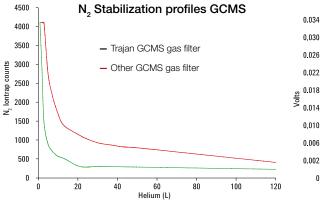


Figure 1 shows the fast stabilization rate (the N_2 mass measured by mass spectrometry) of a GCMS after replacement of the filter.

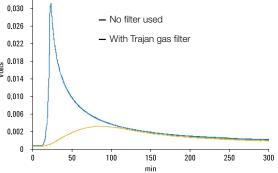


Figure 2 shows the difference in bleed levels of two GC columns due to moisture exposure with and without a filter when running a temperature program (50°C to 350°C, 20°C/min). When no filter is used, an extreme rise in the bleed profile is clearly visible due to moisture in the carrier gas. By using gas filters, a normal bleed profile is achieved with the removal of all moisture in the carrier gas.

Gas filter selection guide

| Technique | Recommended filter(s) | Advantages | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| GCMS | Carrier gas | High data accuracy, lower maintenance | |
| GC column | Moisture and oxygen | Longer lifetime | |
| Electron capture detectors (GC) | Moisture and oxygen | High sensitivity | |
| Thermal conductivity detectors (GC) | Moisture and oxygen | High sensitivity, lower maintenance | |
| Flame ionization detectors (GC) | Two hydrocarbon | High sensitivity | |
| Photoionization detectors (GC) | Oxygen and hydrocarbon | High sensitivity | |

Gas filter technical specifications

| | Oxygen filter | Moisture filter | Hydrocarbon filter | Carrier gas filter |
|--|---|--|--|---|
| Function | Removes oxygen as well as traces of sulfur and chlorine compounds from the carrier gas | Removes water, oil and other foreign material from the carrier gas | Removes organic compounds from gas streams | Single combination filter; removes water, oxygen and organic compounds |
| Indicator color change | From green to gray | From green to pale brown | No indicator | Oxygen: from green to gray Moisture: from green to pale brown Hydrocarbons: no indicator |
| Capacity | 150 mL oxygen | 7.2 g water | Approximately 7 g, depending on impurities | 100 mL oxygen, 1 g water, organics depending on impurities |
| Outlet concentration at operating flow of 1-10 L/min | operating flow of | | <0.1 ppm | Oxygen <50 ppb Moisture <0.1 ppm Organics <0.1 ppm |

Big Trap gas filter

For bulk purification applications or where several instruments are plumbed from a single source, a Big Trap gas filter is an ideal solution. A one-piece heavy walled aluminium tube provides 750 cm³ of capacity and a pressure rating up to 250 psig.

Big Trap gas filter technical specifications

| | Big Trap - Hydrocarbon | Big Trap - Moisture | Big Trap - Oxygen | Big Trap - Universal (suitable for helium, hydrogen and nitrogen) |
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| Function | Removes organic compounds from gas streams | Removes water, oil and other foreign material from the carrier gas | Removes oxygen as well as traces of sulfur and chlorine compounds from the carrier gas | Removes oxygen, moisture, hydrocarbons, carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide |
| Capacity | 80 g depending on impurities | 130 g | 3 L | A cumulative level of 100 µg/L of oxygen, moisture, hydrocarbons, carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide at a flow rate of 8 L/min |
| Efficiency | <15 ppb | <5 ppb | <1 ppb | <100 ppb |



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