S4000 TRS Precision Dew-Point Hygrometer

A precision laboratory dew-point hygrometer with the ultimate accuracy, reliability and long-term performance for humidity measurement and calibration.



Highlights

- 0.1°Cdp accuracy
- Measurement range: -100 to +20°Cdp
- Precision 100 Ω 4 wire platinum resistance thermometer
- Dual optics detection system
- Available with VCR couplings for optimum trace moisture sampling
- Dual multi-function LED display with unit indicator

Applications

- Standards Laboratory reference instrument
- Research and development
- Battery manufacture
- Industrial gases



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The Laboratory Standard

The S4000 TRS offers unmatched accuracy and reliability in dew-point measurement and calibration. The powerful three-stage Peltier thermoelectric heat pump, coupled with integrated auxiliary refrigerant cooling, gives an effective measurement range down to -100°C dew point.



Dual Optics for Supreme Sensitivity

At low frost points the rate of formation of frost on the mirror surface is extremely slow. As a result other chilled mirror dew-point meters may give reduced accuracy, poor control stability and extremely long response times at low moisture levels. The S4000 TRS is unique in that it utilizes a dual optics detection system. This greatly increases the sensitivity of the optical loop. Response, stability and sensitivity are improved by orders of magnitude at low frost points.

Calibration Integrity

The S4000 TRS is unique amongst dew-point hygrometers. It is the only instrument that is delivered, as standard, with a full UKAS certificate providing official traceability to the UK National Standard. UKAS is the United Kingdom member of European Co-operation on Accreditation (EA), the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) and the International Accreditation Forum (IAF). As an additional benefit, the S4000 TRS has a direct traceability path to the NIST (Washington DC, USA) National Humidity Standard.

No other hygrometer provides such comprehensive traceability to a worldwide network of standards organizations. The S4000 TRS is used by many of these organisations as part of their own humidity referencing systems.

Contamination Compensation

Any optical system carries a risk of contamination. The S4000 TRS automatically compensates for any such build-up with its ABC (Automatic Balance Compensation) System. ABC ensures continuous optimum operation of the sensor by periodically driving off condensation to allow the optical loop to be rebalanced. When the contamination level is too high a visible alarm is generated. The sensor optical system may be cleaned with distilled water or a suitable high purity solvent such as acetone. ABC cycle time, duration and recovery time can all be adjusted according to the type of application to minimize the effect of contamination risk. The S4000 TRS also features a sophisticated data hold system, which maintains the instrument's signal outputs during an ABC cycle, allowing the S4000 TRS to be used for process control applications.

Unbeatable Measurement Capability

The S4000 TRS uses a highly accurate 4-wire PT100 temperature sensor and has a proven measurement capability of better than $\pm 0.1^{\circ}$ C dew point.

Visual Verification

Every S4000 TRS is delivered complete with an M4K Viewing Microscope. Fitting neatly into the sensor viewing port, this microscope allows the user to confirm the presence of water or ice on the mirror surface.



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Technology: Chilled Mirror

Michell's chilled mirror dew-point hygrometers are precision instruments for critical measurement and control applications. Chilled mirror sensors measure a primary characteristic of moisture – the temperature at which condensation forms on a surface. This means that chilled mirror instruments:

- have no drift: the temperature at which condensation forms is measured directly so there are no calculated variables that could shift over time
- are inherently repeatable, giving reliable results every time

The chilled mirror sensor consists of a temperature controlled mirror and an advanced optical detection system.

A beam of light from an LED (1) is focused on the mirror surface (2) with a fixed intensity. As the mirror is cooled, less light is reflected due to the scattering effect of the condensate formed on the mirror surface. The levels of reflected and scattered light are measured by two photo-detectors (3 & 4) and compared against a third reference detector (5) measuring the intensity of light from the LED.

The signals from this optics system are used to precisely control the drive to a solid state thermoelectric cooler (TEC) (6), which heats or cools the mirror surface. The mirror surface is then controlled in an equilibrium state whereby evaporation and condensation are occurring at the same rate. In this condition the temperature of the mirror, measured by a platinum resistance thermometer (7), is equal to the dewpoint temperature of the gas.

An auxiliary cooling system (8) is used to remove heat from the 'hot' side of the TEC. This supplements the depression capabilities of the heat pump, and enables measurement of very low dew points.

Our chilled mirror instruments prove their reliability on a daily basis in our production processes and service centres, as well as in our UKAS-accredited calibration laboratory.

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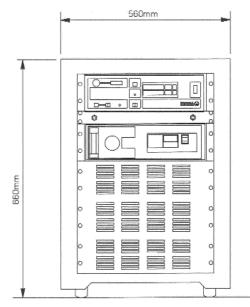
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Technical Specifications

Performance

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Measurement Technolog	y Chilled Mirror
Measurement range	-100 to +20°Cdp
Measurement accuracy	±0.1°Cdp ±0.1°C temperature
Measurement units	°Cdp, °Fdp; °C, °F temperature; % RH, ppm _v , ppm _v , g/m ³ , g/kg, ppm _w for SF ₆
Response speed	0.5°C/sec + settling time (dew point dependent)
Sensitivity	0.01°C
Repeatability	Better than 0.1°C
Resolution	0.01 (0.1 for % RH)
Dew-Point Senso	r
Mirror	Gold plated copper
Temperature measurement	4 wire Pt100, 1/10 DIN class B
Sample flow rate	0.1 to 0.7 NI/min (recommended)
Integrated flowmeter	0 to 1 NI/min
Sensor pressure	Atmospheric
Auxiliary cooling	Internal refrigeration
Remote PRT	
Temperature measurement	4 wire Pt100, 1/10 DIN class B
Monitor	
Resolution	0.01°C
Dual optics detection	Wide band red LED with dual photo sensors, all system insulated
Outputs Anal Digi Log	10 mV/°Cdp, 4-20 mA tal RS232
Auxiliary input Pressure transducer	4-20 mA input for automatic compensation 0-0.34 MPa (0-50 psia) (optional)
Operating temperature	0 to +40°C
Dimensions	560 x 600 x 860mm (w x d x h)- mini Rack
Weight	85kg
Power supply Monit Sens	

Dimensions



Depth = 700 mm (inc clearance)

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